













### **V3H14C**

### **TRITIUM AND CARBON-14 SAMPLERS**

### **MAIN ADVANTAGES**

- Easy, fast and secure replacement of sampling bottles
- Mechanically-resistant sampling bottles
- Silica gel-like absorption medium (longer sampling time/higher amount of sample, compared to liquid absorption media)
- Parallel arrangement of sampling lines for more accurate differential evaluation and distinction of inorganic and organic forms
- Wide range and high accuracy of flow rate adjustment
- Measurement of the humidity downstream of the tritium sampling bottles
- Remote checking and control from the host system
- Proportional sampling relative to flow in the ventilation stack enables calculation of the amount of released 3H and 14C

#### **PURPOSE**

The V3H14C is designed for <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C sampling from the air.

Basic absorption media are silica gel for sampling 3H and sodium hydroxide (NaOH) for sampling <sup>14</sup>C.

Sampler includes two separate sampling lines for the sampling of different <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C forms. In the common intake section, there is an aerosol filter, a mass-flow meter, and pressure, temperature and relative humidity sensors. The first line includes a pump, a catalyst furnace, and sampling bottles containing silica gel. Also pressure, temperature and relative humidity sensors, an overflow trap bottle, and the sampling bottles containing NaOH. This line is designed for sampling <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C in all forms including

H<sub>2</sub>, CO and C<sub>x</sub>H<sub>x</sub>. The catalyst furnace temperature is adjustable in a broad range with high accuracy and is permanently measured and checked.

The second line is similar, but does not include the catalyst furnace. It is designed for <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C sampling, exclusively in the inorganic forms of H<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub>.

Within one sampling line, <sup>3</sup>H sampling precedes the <sup>14</sup>C sampling, and the sorption medium of <sup>14</sup>C is thus protected against humidity. Downstream of the 3H sampling and upstream of the <sup>14</sup>C sampling the humidity is measured, which enables a check of the efficiency of water sampling by the silica gel.

The sorbents are filled into glass sampling bottles and the bottles are screwed into the holder in the laboratory; for safety reasons only assembled bottle arrays are handled at the sampler's location. During normal operation, the sorbent should be normally exchanged on a weekly basis.

The air flow may be constant, or it may be adjusted proportionally to the value present at the equipment control input. It is adjustable in each sampling line separately. The set flow rate influences the duration sampling campaign. The flow the individual lines may be limited by the parameters of the sorbent, and by the catalyst filling.

On the graphic display, it is possible to read the total amount of sampled air, current flow rate through the sampling lines, time of operation and all monitored values, such as temperature, pressure, and humidity in the line, and the temperature of the catalyst.

The samples are used for subsequent laboratory analysis. Activities of samples, resulting from the analysis, serve for the calculation of total releases of <sup>3</sup>H and <sup>14</sup>C. By comparing the difference in both samples, it is possible to determine the total released amount of all forms - the inorganic and organic forms of 3H and 14C.

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### **SPECIFICATION**

Flow rate through one sampling channel	50 – 500 ml/min
Uncertainty of measured flow rate	max. ± 5 %
Volume of sampling bottles in one bottle array	3 × 250 ml
Silica gel	
size (grain) weight (dry)	3 – 6 mm 3 × 170 g in one bottle array
Sodium hydroxide	3 × 170 g in one bottle array
solution concetration	3 mol/l
volume	≤ 600 ml in one bottle array
Collection efficiency	05.0/   5.0/
H <sub>2</sub> O in silica gel CO <sub>2</sub> in NaOH	95 % ± 5 % 99 % ± 1 %
Sorption capacity in one sampling bottle array (maximum, declared for specified efficiency)	30 70 = 1 70
silica gel	30 g
NaOH	18,5 g
Volume of overflow trap bottle	500 ml
Catalyst temperature	from 250 to 550 °C
Power supply	100 – 240 V AC
Power consumption	
models with catalyst models without catalyst	max. 140 W max. 25 W
Operation temperature range	from 5 to 40 °C
Dimensions (W x H x D)	11011101010
V3H14C, V3H14Cs, V3H, V3Hs	620 × 805 × 265 mm
V3Ha	464 × 558 × 261 mm
Weight	
V3H14C, V3H14Cs, V3H, V3Hs V3Ha	43 kg 13 kg
Interface	RS-485/ RS-232
Sampled air Temperature	from 5 to 40 °C
Sampled air Pressure	from 96 to 106 kPa
Sampled air Relative Humidity	max. 80%, non-condensing



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### **TYPES OF SAMPLERS**

Model	Sampling lines	Catalyst	Collection	Differential sampler
V3H14C	2	YES	organic and inorganic forms $^3\mbox{H}$ and $^{14}\mbox{C}$	YES
V3H14Cs	1	YES	organic and inorganic forms <sup>3</sup> H and <sup>14</sup> C	NO
V3H	2	YES	organic and inorganic forms <sup>3</sup> H	YES
V3Hs	1	YES	organic and inorganic forms <sup>3</sup> H	NO
V3Ha	1	NO	inorganic forms <sup>3</sup> H	NO

#### **OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**

53-A-0000010	Software application for remote control
LDL-01	Local Data Logger for V3H14C
50-A-0011203	Transport box for sampling bottles in the holders

#### **RELATED PRODUCTS**

<b>DJ-500</b> Desorption unit	
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PC remote control screen V3H14C



DJ-500 Desorption Unit



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## **TRITIUM AND CARBON-14 SAMPLER**



Assembled bottle array for silica gel



Assembled bottle array for NaOH solution



Transport box for sampling bottles in the holders



Insertion of the holder with sampling bottles with silica gel