

IONSCAN[®]-LS

THE ULTRA-FAST ALTERNATIVE TO HPLC



Feature Highlights

- Ultra-fast quantitative analysis
- 30-60 second sample cycle time
- Rapid method development
- Sub-nanogram sensitivity
- Selectivity
- Broad range of analytes, no chromophore needed
- No mobile phases, columns, or vacuum
- Low cost per sample

Current Applications

- Cleaning validation
- ID testing

Coming Soon...

- Content uniformity
- Dissolution testing

The IONSCAN[®]-LS detects and quantitates trace analytes using ion mobility spectrometry (IMS). Ultra-fast analysis with the IONSCAN[®]-LS offers the advantages of simplicity, selectivity, sensitivity, atmospheric pressure operation, and ease-of-use. These features, together with 21 CFR Part 11 compliance, make it ideal for use in pharmaceutical applications.

The IONSCAN[®]-LS offers two different sample introduction methods: thermal desorption from a filter and high performance injection (HPI). The HPI offers multi-stage temperature and flow programming with split/splitless injection capabilities. The availability of these two techniques maximizes the breadth of compounds that can be analyzed

successfully. More than 80 percent of active pharmaceutical ingredients investigated to date are amenable to IMS analysis.

The IONSCAN[®]-LS can analyze samples over a concentration range of about three orders of magnitude. A typical limit of quantitation (LOQ) is on the order of 0.1 µg/mL. LOQs as low as 0.002 µg/mL have been observed for some compounds.

The IONSCAN[®]-LS is equipped with an autosampler allowing the user to run automatic methods that have been preprogrammed into the IONSCAN[®]-LS's IM-Station software. With the autosampler, sequential analyses are typically run in 30 – 60 seconds each, a critical time-saver in applications such as cleaning validation.

General Specifications

Weight	92 lbs. (42 kg)
Size	24.5" x 16" x 34.5" (62 cm x 41 cm x 88 cm)
Sample Type	Solid and liquid
Sensitivity	picogram to nanogram
MW Range	15 - 1500 AMU
HPI Split Ratio	0 - 100
HPI Injection Volume	up to 25 µl
HPI Requires	10 - 15 mL/min N ₂
Autosampler Tray Capacity	120 sample vials (2 mL) and 4 waste/rinse vials (10 mL)
Autosampler Cycle Time	30 - 60 seconds
Input Voltage	95 - 265 VAC 50 - 400 Hz (autoswitching)
Software	IM-Station with 21 CFR Part 11 compliance
Validation	IQ/OQ/PQ available

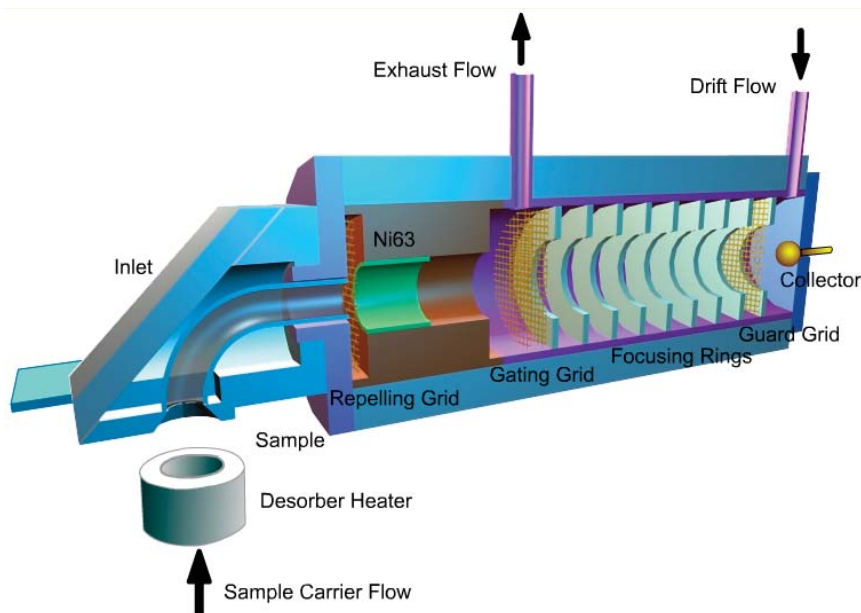
Technology

Ion Mobility Spectrometry (IMS)

A solid or liquid sample is introduced to the analyzer by thermal desorption or direct injection. The resultant vapors are swept in through the inlet by the carrier gas and ionized.

The product ions are gated into the drift tube and accelerated by an electric field toward the detector. Air flows through the drift tube in a direction counter to the electric field. Drift times depend on the size, shape, and mass of the analyte and range from about 3 to 50 milliseconds.

The characteristic speed at which an ion moves under the influence of an electric field, *i.e.*, its ion mobility, is a distinct thumbprint that identifies the original substance.



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