





DISCRETE ANALYZER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

# INTELLIGENT DESIGN FOR AUTOMATED ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

Selecting an analyzer to automate your nutrient analysis is less about choosing an analyzer with the latest robotics and more about how the analyzer design contributes to analysis that is equal or superior to the methods it replaces.

Analyzing environmental samples is more demanding than analyzing other sample types and requires a higher priority on very low detection levels, precision and reproducible results. These priorities can only be achieved when an analyzer:

- Exactly mimics the traditional wet chemistry methods it replaces
- Delivers "equivalency" to approved EPA methods
- Uses approved spectrophotometric measurement technology
- Includes the accepted and optimum cuvette path length of 10 mm
- Quartz detection cell optically pure detection technology
- Delivers precision, reproducibility, and low detection limits
- Protects the measurement from signal interference
- Protects samples from cross contamination and carry-over
- Brings the chemical reaction to full completion and steady state

Combine the right design elements with robotics for automation and you have an analyzer that not only automates your wet chemistry, it:

- Gives you high speed, high quality data at a low cost per test
- Increases daily volume of samples and range of analytes which can be analyzed
- Significantly reduces cost per test, consuming only microliters of reagents and samples
- Minimizes waste disposal costs
- Reduces staff contact with hazardous chemicals
- Substantially reduces the laboratory's overall operating costs





# HOW DOES A DISCRETE ANALYZER WORK?

### A Discrete Analyzer will:

- Automatically and precisely add sample aliquots and reagent to reaction wells
- Mix
- Wait for the reaction to complete
- Measure the analyte
- Record every step, providing an audit trail

### It should also:

- Automatically prepare a calibration from a top standard
- Predilute samples
- Autodilute out-of-range samples
- Autospike samples and report recovery
- Perform true sample blanking
- Automatically insert and run Quality Control (QC) checks
- Link easily with LIMS

Colorimetric methods can be automated with a Discrete Analyzer. With no flow, baseline, peak shapes, pump tubes to monitor, hardware changes or shutdown procedures, your laboratory will achieve true "walk-away" analysis. After a run is finished the Discrete Analyzer even washes itself out and enters standby mode.

With miniaturized components, the Discrete Analyzer needs to use only microliter amounts of reagents and samples, significantly reducing your reagent consumption and associated chemical waste.

SEAL Discrete Analyzers will reduce time and errors often associated with manual methods, generate lower cost per test, reduce overall laboratory operating costs and increase efficiency.

SEAL Discrete Analyzers are compact, bench top analyzers that don't require a fume hood, glassware, pressurization, cylinder gas, or cooling water, making them the most popular and versatile analyzers for environmental labs.

# Introducing the SEAL

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# Discrete Analyzer

### **METHODS INCLUDE**

Alkalinity Ammonia Chloride Color Cyanide Fluoride Hardness Iron Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrite Phenol **Phosphate** Silicate Sulfate **Total Nitrogen Total Phosphorous** 

PLUS MANY MORE

### **BENEFITS INCLUDE**

Low detection limits and excellent reproducibility using 10 or 20 mm optical quartz cuvette

Sample cup size flexibility from 1.2 mL – 10 mL

Sample capacity from 160 – 480 depending on vial size. Up to 864 tests.

Total volume per test only 500 – 600 μL

Cadmium reduction module for nitrate analysis

Varying sample tray sizes available to accommodate different workloads

# Large sample capacity, high throughput

environmental analyzer with four robotic arms enabling total unattended operation for a long walkaway time – **brings nutrient analysis to a new level.** 





Analysis according to Standard Methods, EPA, ASTM, ISO, UKAS and other international standards

- True unattended operation including ability to run overnight
- Automated standard preparation and dilution of over-range samples
- Integrated QR / barcode reading for samples and reagents for traceability
- > Varying size sample trays available to accommodate different workloads
- Segregated chemical waste and wash minimizes waste disposal
- LIMS compatible export in .csv format

Designed by chemists for chemists.





Highest speed and capacity.

Lower detection levels.

TESTS / CHEMISTRIES

**Power Requirements** 

TESTS / CHEIMISTRIES	
Simultaneous Chemistries	1 – 20
Tests Programmable Per Sample	YES
Test Capacity	864
Cadmium Coil	Integrated
Total Volume Per Test	500 – 600 μL (sample & reagent)
SAMPLES	
Sampling Rate	Subject to chemistry
Sample Blanking	YES
Add Samples After Run Commenced	YES
Sample Trays (removable)	4 (40, 106)
Sample Capacity	160 – 480
Sample Consumption	2 – 500 µL
Sample Cup Sizes	1.2 mL, 2 mL, 5 mL, 10 mL
Sampling Arms	3
REAGENTS	
Reagent Capacity	24
Reagent Cooling	YES
Reagent Volume	40 mL
Reagent Wells	Disposable
Reagent Monitoring	Automatic
Reagent Level Sensing	YES
OPERATION	
Auto Start-up & Shut-down	YES
Auto-dilution	YES
Automated Spike Preparation	YES
Automated Standard Preparation	YES
Segregated Wash Waste	YES
TECHNOLOGY	
Wash Stations	4
Integrated Sampling Probe Washer	YES
Cuvette Path Length	10 mm – 20 mm
Optically Pure Cuvette	Optical Quartz Cuvette
Cuvette Cleaning	Automatic
Barcode Reader	YES (sample & reagent)
Simplified Access For Maintenance	YES
Detector	Stationary measurement cell
Filter Wheel	9 filter positions, 350 – 880 nm
Lamp	Quartz Tungsten – Halogen
SOFTWARE	
Data Output	LIMS compatible. Export in .csv
Software Updates	Free
Requirements	Windows version 7 or later
SPECIFICATIONS	
Bench-top Analyzer	YES
Dimensions (cm)	120 W x 90 D x 90 H
Weight	250 lbs

110 V 60 HZ or 220-240V 50 HZ.

Configurable.

### FAST, ON-DEMAND ANALYSIS

# Easy, rapid colourimetric testing with minimal start-up time.



### INTEGRATED OPTICAL QUARTZ CUVETTE

10 mm pathlength or longer for maximum sensitivity and lower detection levels. Quartz is superior to styrene for sample analysis ensuring highest precision.

### LOWER DETECTION LEVELS

Critical for environmental applications, lowest possible detection levels are a priority. This is made possible with the right combination of mixing technique, longer path length, optically pure detection, accurate dispensing and completion of chemical reaction.

### NO CROSS CONTAMINATION

The only discrete analyzer with integrated probe washer. Eliminates cross contamination between reagents and samples. Keeps the probe free of reagents, oil and grease. Ideal for all water, wastewater and soils.



### **REAGENT WEDGES**

Onboard cooling and built-in level sensor to verify reagent volume required for each test.

### **EFFECTIVE SAMPLE & REAGENT MIXING**

Reproducible results due to thorough sample and reagent mixing that approximates manual mixing in a flask.



### DISPOSABLE REACTION WELLS

Inexpensive, disposable wells that reduce carryover and cost per test. Recyclable.

### INTEGRATED CADMIUM COIL

Allows flexibility in nitrate + nitrite testing. Software automatically switches the coil inline. All four EPA approved nitrate + nitrite chemistry options available. In-situ regeneration.



### COMPLETE REACTION

Constant heating and programmable reaction time for a highly controlled reaction. This means the reaction is brought to completion increasing precision and accuracy of test results.

### LOW REAGENT CONSUMPTION & WASTE GENERATION

Uses only  $\mu$ L dispenses of reagents and samples to greatly reduce the amount of chemical used and waste generated with each test.

### EXTERIOR SEGREGATED WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



Easy to access and outside of instrument – no chemical waste overflow or fumes inside the analyzer. Segregated chemical and wash waste – hazardous waste is not diluted by wash water.

**LIMS READY** Customizable output for easy integration.

### USEPA, ASTM, ISO APPROVED METHODS

Also complies with other international regulatory methods.



# Software Designed for Environmental Laboratories



User-friendly, intuitive, highly flexible software streamlines run set up

Continuous in-house development incorporates user requested features

Controls all analytical procedures from working standard dilution to sample analysis, cuvette washing and system QC

Automated system quality control with built in QCPro™

User can specify Quality Control types, limits and automated corrective actions upon failure

### FEATURES

- Real-time monitoring of reagents
- Provides an audit trail of all sample analysis
- Prepares working standards from a stock solution
- Prepares spiked samples and calculates recoveries
- Automatic rerun of over-range samples. Diluted over-range samples will be batched with associated QC needed for reportability
- Intuitive Range Switching over or under range sample results matched to other calibration curves intuitively by the software
- Data exportable to LIMS or worksheets
- Assigns tests in the highest order of efficiency or preference
- > Automatically performs system calibration and general maintenance
- Easily monitor run status with color coding to visually indicate reagent, sample and test status
- Quickly run multiple tests in any order
- > Predicts when analysis will be completed for better task planning
- Continuously monitors analyzer status and temperature of reaction ring

# **SEAL** LABORATORY SUPPLIES

# Genuine SEAL parts for optimum performance

For any instrument, long-term reliability and reproducibility depends on regular maintenance and using quality parts. SEAL simplifies this process by offering high quality, genuine parts and consumables directly from our locally stocked warehouses for your SEAL instruments and other laboratory systems. SEAL offers specialized kits to make ordering and maintenance simple.

Join our Autoship Program

Save time and money and never run out of supplies again!



# **Continuous Flow Analyzers**

To guarantee best performance, best reproducibility and lowest detection limits, always use SEAL flow rated pump tubing on your segmented flow analyzer. Specialist glass pieces, flow cells, sample cups, specialized parts for inline sample preparation including UV lamps, dialyzer membranes and patented heat coils for current and older models of analyzers are available.



# **Discrete Analyzers**

Along with sample cups, reagent wedges and reaction segments, SEAL maintains an inventory of cadmium coils for nitrate reduction, probe wash assemblies, probes, syringes, lamps and other specialized spare parts. The 3, 6 and 12 months kits make regular maintenance simple and will help keep your analyzer in shape for years to come.



# Flared Pump Tubing for ICP

Flared end pump tubing makes connecting your small ID tubing to larger tubing simple! No more frustrating time wasting. SEAL can supply flared end tubing for any size and material. Ideal for ICP/ICP-MS applications. Any pump tubing type can be supplied with flared ends; including both 2-shoulder and 3-shoulder tubing types. Call us for free samples.



# **Other Supplies**

SEAL Lab Supplies offers a wide range of consumables for digestion, sample preparation, chromatography and spectroscopy applications. From plastic and glass sample vials, specialist glassware, teardrop stoppers and reflux caps, SEAL has you covered.



See our website for a listing of our common parts or contact us to inquire about our auto-ship program.

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## 50 Years of Experience in Environmental Analysis Built into Every Analyzer

50 years' experience in designing, developing and manufacturing automated wet chemistry analyzers specifically for very low detection levels in environmental applications has helped SEAL to apply the most useful, easy to use features into the SEAL range of Discrete and Segmented Flow analyzers. The SEAL analyzers are widely acknowledged as the best for environmental analysis, giving you everything you need to achieve equal or superior results to the manual and approved laboratory methods the SEAL analyzer replaces.

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SEAL Analyzers are monitoring environmental samples in every corner of the globe. They are manufactured in the USA, Germany and the Netherlands. Engineering and chemistry support is provided from SEAL global facilities in USA, Germany, UK, the Netherlands and China along with a worldwide network of specialist distributors.

### **COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORT**

We offer comprehensive applications, technical service and software support.

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- A choice of preventative maintenance and service contracts to meet your specific requirements
- In-house and online training
- Guaranteed availability of genuine consumables and spare parts
- Adaptation of methods to specific requirements such as matrix, range or detection limit
- Continuous in-house development of software to incorporate new customer requested features

### Robotic Handling Systems

SEAL Robotic MiniLab systems for automating sample pretreatment in the laboratory — improving your sample handling efficiency. Typical applications include BOD, pH, COD, Alkalinity, and conductivity measurements with options such as decapping/capping, sample splitting, and filtration. Call us about your laboratory needs and we will design a robot to suit you.





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