

## Model 42C-Y NO<sub>y</sub> Analyzer

For Atmospheric Research and Urban Air Quality Monitoring

Utilizing traditional chemiluminescence techniques, the Model 42C-Y, measures NO<sub>y</sub> for such applications as atmospheric research and urban air quality monitoring. Like Thermo's complete line of air quality instrumentation, the Model 42C-Y is reliable, accurate, and is backed by over 30 years experience.

The Model 42C-Y is based on Thermo's Model 42C NO-NO<sub>2</sub>-NO<sub>x</sub> Trace Level Analyzer. The major difference is utilization of an external molybdenum converter which minimizes sample transport distances thereby allowing the Model 42C-Y to measure more NO compounds that would otherwise not be measured by using an internal converter.

### NO<sub>y</sub> Monitoring Applications

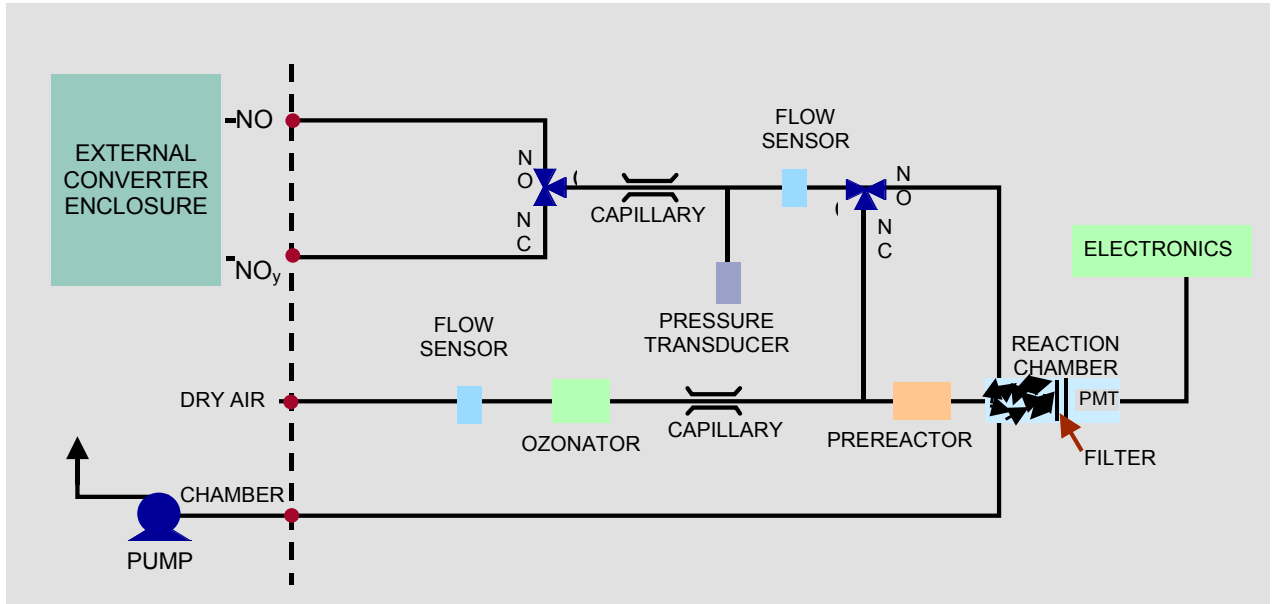
- ◆ Acid rain deposition / transport studies
- ◆ Stratospheric ozone depletion
- ◆ Understanding of tropospheric chemistry reaction pathways
- ◆ Validation of photochemical (smog) predictions
- ◆ NCORE Level 2 monitoring program



<b>Preset Ranges</b>	0-5, 10, 20, 50, 100, and 200 ppb 0-10, 20, 50, 100, 200, and 500 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Custom Ranges</b>	0-5 to 200 ppb 0-10 to 500 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Linearity</b>	+/- 1% of full scale
<b>Zero Noise</b>	25 ppt RMS (120 second average time)
<b>Lower Detectable Limit</b>	50 ppt RMS (120 second average time)
<b>Zero Drift (24 hour)</b>	Negligible
<b>Span Drift (24 hour)</b>	+/- 1% of full scale
<b>Response Time (0-95%)</b>	60 seconds (10 second average time) 90 seconds (60 second average time) 300 seconds (300 second average time)
<b>Sample Flow Rate</b>	1 LPM
<b>Interferences</b>	Propylene rejection ratio > 20,000:1 Ethylene rejection ratio > 40,000:1
<b>Operating Temperature</b>	15°C - 35°C
<b>Power Requirements</b>	90-110 VAC @ 50/60Hz 105-125 VAC @ 50/60Hz 210-250 VAC @ 50/60Hz 400 Watts
<b>Size and Weight</b>	16.75" (W) x 8.62" (H) x 23" (D), 60 lbs.
<b>Outputs</b>	NO, DIF, and NO <sub>y</sub> , selectable voltage 4-20 mA, RS-232, RS-485

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### Model 42CY Flow Diagram



#### Principle of Operation

$\text{NO}_y$  is the sum of all reactive oxides of nitrogen ( $\text{NO}$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_3$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$ ,  $\text{HNO}_2$ ,  $\text{HNO}_3$ , PAN, organic nitrates and aerosol nitrates). To minimize the loss of  $\text{NO}_y$  prior to measurement, an external converter (moly) module that limits sample transport time and surface contact area is used.

After exiting the converter module, sample gas is routed to a mode ( $\text{NO}$  or  $\text{NO}_y$ ) valve within the analyzer module. When the solenoid is normally open ( $\text{NO}$  mode), sample that has bypassed the converter is sent to the reaction chamber. When the solenoid mode is normally closed ( $\text{NO}_y$  mode), sample that has passed through the converter is sent to the reaction chamber for analysis.

A third mode routes the sample to a prereactor to create a dynamic zero reading for the analyzer. The prereactor is sized so that greater than 99% of a 200 ppb  $\text{NO}$  sample will react prior to entering the reaction chamber but is small enough to allow interferents (olefins) to pass onto the chamber.

The combination of the three modes generates three signals:  $\text{NO}$ ,  $\text{NO}_y$ , and the difference between the two (DIF).



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