

EPC[™] Environmental Particle Counter[™] Monitor

Model 3783



Engineered for monitoring performance of real-time, ultrafine (UFP) number concentrations

Federal Reference Methods (PM2.5, PM10) and equivalent mass based methods cannot quantify the amount of UFP in the air. The EPC™ monitor provides quantitative UFP concentration data to supplement mass based and FRM equivalent methods. This freshly engineered water-based condensation particle counter detects ultrafine particles down to 7 nanometers and delivers robust field performance. The EPC™ monitor is a good choice for indoor and outdoor ambient monitoring and many other applications that require 24/7 operation.

Flexibility

Targeted at unattended monitoring, the 3783 is easy to use, requires minimal maintenance, and has a variety of configuration choices, including:

- Set-up options: Inlet flow (3.0 or 0.6 L/min), inlet location (front or back), water connection (front or back), and optional rack mount hardware.
- Instrument interface: Color touchscreen with graphical interface, upgraded Aerosol Instrument Manager[®] software or terminal command set.
- Data acquisition options: USB stick, Ethernet, USB port, or RS-232 port.

Features and Benefits

- Easy to operate and install
- Simple and flexible data acquisition
- Low maintenance
- 7 nanometer detection
- Pulse height monitor to ensure data accuracy
- Field swappable optics module
- Single particle counting to 1,000,000 particles/cm³
- Rack mount ready
- Adjustable sampling intervals down to 1 second
- Advanced instrument diagnostics
- Stand alone operation or computer software control

Engineering Innovation: Taking Particle Counter Design to the Next Level

The result of thoughtful design, rigorous internal testing and extensive field validation. The EPC monitor was born out of a methodical evaluation of challenges specific to water-based condensation particle counters and high concentration environments. Newly designed air flow, wicking and water handling systems provide superior accuracy, reliability and ease of operation. Advanced instrument diagnostics include a novel pulse height analyzer to monitor wick health, supersaturation state, and instrument status. The 3783 boasts over 20 new design features.

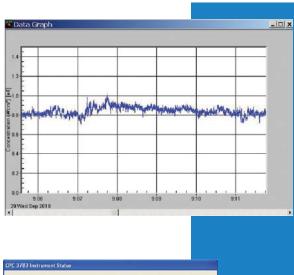
Enhancement	Design Feature
Concentration Accuracy	Optimized wick material and wick geometry Pulse height analyzer to monitor wick health, supersaturation state, and instrument status.
Flow Rate Stability	Critical orifice air flow scheme (no need for flow control orifice) Large surface area internal filters Mechanical nozzle optimization to reduce/eliminate nozzle clogging
Problem Free Operation	Robust new water handling scheme featuring an active water removal system (water separator) Inlet pressure monitor to prevent flooding Minimized Internal Reservoir Reduced water consumption Active drain pump Expanded operating temperature range
Precision Measurements	Enhanced zero count stability Real time clock
On-board Instrument Diagnostics	Nozzle pressure transducer to monitor nozzle health Laser reference detector Expanded software instrument status screen
Convenience & Flexibility	Easily accessible inlet screen assembly Wick cartridge for quick wick replacement Removable, swappable optics modules

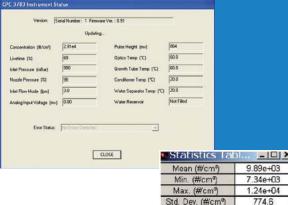
Software

The model 3783 is supplied with powerful Aerosol Instrument Manager® software designed for use with Microsoft® Windows® operating systems.

The software features:

- Comprehensive Statistical Analysis
- Advanced Instrument Diagnostics
- Real-time Data Display
- Advanced File Management
- Easy Data Export Options
- Auto recovery from power failure





Sample Time (secs) 246
Sample Length:04:06 Sample # 5



Operation

The EPCTM monitor utilizes a patented laminar-flow, water-based condensation growth technique. Particles which are too small (nanometer scale) to scatter enough light to be detected by conventional optics are grown to a larger size by condensing water on them. In this instrument, an air sample is continuously drawn through the inlet via an external pump and a portion of the flow is sent to the exhaust as bypass flow.

Saturation

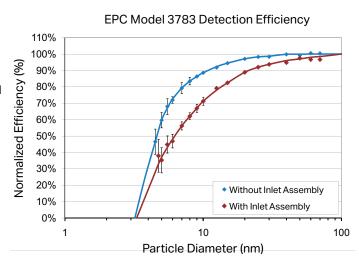
The aerosol sample is pulled through a cool region saturated with water vapor and its temperature is equilibrated.

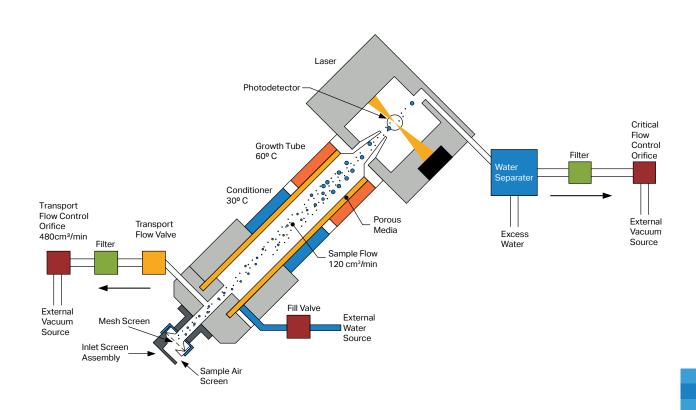
Condensation

The sample then passes to a growth section where wetted walls are heated to produce an elevated vapor pressure resulting in a thermodynamic 'supersaturation' condition. The small cool particles in the flow stream act as nuclei for condensation, and grow into micron sized droplets.

Detection

The droplets are passed through a laser beam and create a large light pulse. Every particle pulse event is detected and counted. In this technique particle concentration is measured by counting every single particle in the air stream.





Specifications

EPC™ Environmental Particle Counter™ Monitor

Model 3783

Particle Size Range

Min. Detectable 7 nm, verified with DMA-Particle (D50) classified sucrose

Max. Detectable Particle > 3 μm

Particle Concentration Range

Single Particle Counting 0 to 10° particles/cm³, with

continuous live-time correction

Particle Concentration Accuracy

±10% at 10° particles/cm3

Response Time

High-flow Mode <3 seconds to 95% in response to

concentration step change

Low-flow Mode <5 seconds to 95% in response to

concentration step change

Flow

High-flow Inlet 3 ± 0.3 Liters/minute Low-flow Inlet 0.6 ± 0.06 Liters/minute Aerosol Flow Rate 120 ± 12 cm³/minute

False Background Counts

<0.01 particles/cm $^{\circ}$, 1-hour average for Dewpoint <30 $^{\circ}$ C (i.e. <35 $^{\circ}$ C at 75 $^{\circ}$ RH)

Aerosol Medium Air only

Environmental Operating Conditions

Ambient Temperature Range 10 to 38°C (50 to 100.4°F)

Ambient Humidity Range 0 to 90% RH, non condensing

Inlet Pressure Operation (Absolute)

50 to 110 kPa (0.5 to 1.1 atm)

Inlet Pressure (Gauge)

0 to -5 kPa (-20" $\rm H_2O$)

Condensing Liquid

Water, distilled (<6ppm) or HPLC water. Tap water must not be used

Water System

External 1 L bottle for up to 4 weeks operation

Water Consumption

250 mL/week

Vacuum

Requires external vacuum; recommended 6 std. L/min at 400 mbar.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

TSI and the TSI logo are registered trademarks in the United States and may be protected under other country's trademark registrations.



TSI Incorporated - Visit our website www.tsi.com for more information.

 USA
 Tel: +1 800 874 2811
 India
 Tel: +91 80 67877200

 UK
 Tel: +44 149 4 459200
 China
 Tel: +86 10 8219 7688

 France
 Tel: +33 1 41 19 21 99
 Singapore
 Tel: +65 6595 6388

Germany Tel: +49 241 523030

Communications

Protocol

RS-232

Popin, D-Sub connector
Type B connector, USB 2.0
compatible at 12 MB

Ethernet 8-wire RJ-45 jack, 10/100 BASE-T,

TCP/IP

Data Logging USB flash drive

Averaging Interval 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30, or 60s

software provides more avg. options

Outputs

Digital Display 6" VCA color touch screen with

graphical interface. Graph of concentration vs. time, concentration, time and total counts, and status BNC connector, 0 to 4V proportional

log conc.

Digital Output Data download using USB or RS-232

serial interface.

Software

Analog Output

TSI Aerosol Instrument Manager® CPC software included.

Not SMPS™ spectrometer compatible.

Calibration

Recommended annually.

Power Requirements

100 to 240 VAC, 50/60 Hz 175 W maximum

Connections

Inlet 1/4" tube

Low-flow Inlet 1/4" Swagelock® tube fitting

Dimensions (H x W x D)

20.3 x 48.3 x 30.5 cm (8 x 19 x 12 in.)

Weight

9.9 kg (22 lbs)

To Order

EPC™ Environmental Particle Counter™ Monitor

Specify Description

3783 Environmental Particle Counter with TSI Aerosol

Instrument Manager® Software

Optional Accessories

 Specify
 Description

 3032
 Vacuum Pump (115 V/60 Hz)

 3032-1
 Vacuum Pump (220V/50Hz)

3032-EC
 3031200
 Vacuum Pump (230 VAC; EU Configuration)
 Environmental Sampling System (includes a standard PM10 inlet, a PM1 cyclone, a flow splitter

and a Nafion® dryer)

1031558 Inlet cyclone (3.3µm cut at 0.6LPM inlet flow only)

1183001 3783 Maintenance Kit

376060 Particle Size Selector with 11 screens

Adjust 3783 efficiency cut-point up to eleven sizes between ~0.01 and ~0.2 µm

376061 Additional screens for Particle Size Selector, set of 12

Adjust 3783 efficiency cut-point up to ~0.45 µm

P/N 5001269 Rev F (A4) ©2022 TSI Incorporated Printed in U.S.A.