Designed for vehicle emission measurements

Airmodus A23 Condensation Particle Counter is a user-friendly tool for all applications where counting aerosol particles larger than 23 nm is a necessity. The A23 CPC is compliant with the Particle Measurement Protocol (PMP) for EURO 5/6. It fulfills the requirements of UN/ECE R49 and UN/ECE R83.

A versatile particle counter

The A23 can be used both as a stand-alone instrument for measuring the total particle number concentration, and as a counter in different kinds of aerosol measurement systems. It is **easy to use and handle**. All settings can be quickly adjusted from a handy touch screen, which also displays the current concentration reading and instrument diagnostics.



The A23 is also compatible with the Airmodus Particle Size Magnifier A10.

Benefits of the A23

- The saturator is made of robust and inert stainless steel in order to ensure stable operation
- Narrow pulse width for higher counting accuracy
- Easy to use touch screen
- Improved usability and design: all connections optimized for easy access

Regulation requirements	A23	
50% (±12%) counting efficiency at 23 nm (±1 nm)	✓	
>90% counting efficiency at 41 nm (±1 nm)	✓	
Linear concentration response and counting accuracy of $\pm 10\%$ across the range of single particulate counting mode	✓	
Operates under full flow operating conditions	✓	
Data reporting frequency ≥0.5 Hz	✓	
T90 response time < 5 s	✓	

Particle size range 23 nm - 2.5 μm

 $Dp50\% = 23 \text{ nm}^*$

Concentration 0 - 100 000 #/cm3

Up to 10 000 #/cm³ in single particle counting mode with coincidence <10%; higher

concentrations with Total Scattering Mode Correction

Aerosol sample flow Nominal flow 1 lpm, controlled with a critical orifice; no dilution inside the instrument

Response time t₉₅ 1.15 s** **False counts** <0.01 #/cm3

Working fluid n-Butanol (>99.5%)

Pressure: 75 to 105 kPa Sample

conditions Relative humidity: 0 to 95% non-condensing (preferably <40%)***

Environmental Temperature: 15°C to 35°C Pressure: 75 to 105 kPa conditions

Relative humidity: 0 to 95% non-condensing

Communication

Analog in: BNC connector, 0 to 10 V (reading data of external sensor) Analog out: BNC connector, 0 to 10 V, user-selectable function output (linear

concentration, also DMA voltage control)

Pulse out: BNC connector Serial: RS-232 Ethernet: RJ45 USB: type B connector

All communication based on ASCII character-encoding scheme.

Fittings External Vacuum: 1/4 in. stainless steel tube

Inlet: 1/4 in. stainless steel tube

Software Airmodus A2X software for online data acquisition (for Microsoft Windows, 7 or newer)

External vacuum requirement

100 - 400 mbar pressure at NTP (or <40% of inlet pressure)

Power requirements Instrument uses an external power adaptor (provided with the instrument)

> Power adaptor input: 100 - 240 VAC 50/60 Hz

max. 160 W

Power adaptor output: 12VDC 11.5 A

Dimensions 260x230x400 (height x width x depth in mm)

and weight 10.5 kg

Shipping conditions Temperature: 0 - 40°C

Relative humidity: <95% non-condensing

The instrument should be shipped in upright position and should be protected against

tremor and blows.



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^{*)} Cut-off size in mobility equivalent diameter. See calibration certificate

^{**)} Enroth et al. 2018. https://doi.org/10.1080/02786826.2018.1460458
***) With high relative humidity, an aerosol drier should be used to prevent excess water condensation inside the instrument. Microsoft and Windows are registered trademarks of Microsoft Corporation.