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VOC emission test chamber EK1000

Highly accurate and affordable VOC chamber testing in the automotive industry

” AIMPLAS decided to purchase the Olfasense emissions chamber because of its professionalism, its proximity and, above all, the knowledge it demonstrated of the requirements of automotive standards. Something very important for us. During the installation of the equipment, Olfasense helped the AIMPLAS staff to understand everything that is necessary for the correct functioning of the chamber, demonstrating once again their professionalism. Without a doubt, it was a good choice.

- Nuria García Batista, PhD.; Chemical Laboratory - Identification AIMPLAS

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Olfasense and CTS – A joint venture that makes sense

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

Thank you very much for your interest in our EK1000 VOC emission test chamber.

Olfasense is the world-leading supplier of odour laboratory technology, which is used by more than 400 laboratories, research institutes, universities and companies worldwide. In our daily work, Olfasense also offers specialist odour consultancy services to evaluate products and materials. Besides using sensory evaluation techniques, Olfasense helps clients to understand the chemical composition of air samples in terms of specific VOCs.

Olfasense has also been accredited for performing proficiency tests according to EN 13725 and VDA 270 since 2005, and obtained accreditation according to the new standard for proficiency testing bodies, EN 17043, in December 2011. In addition, Olfasense is regularly organizing VOC proficiency tests for the automotive industry.

CTS is one of the leading specialists in the field of environmental simulation. Their innovative and technically high-quality products are delivered to the most renowned industrial companies worldwide, with more than 12,000 devices sold in Germany and abroad. Major client segments include the automotive industry and its suppliers, as well as test laboratories.

By consolidating their respective know-how and expertise, our two companies have developed the EK1000 VOC emission test chamber, providing clients a technically and economically optimized test system to characterize emissions of volatile organic compounds under precise test conditions, complying with the requirements of common European and international, as well as specific manufacturer standards.

If you would like to know more about the advantages of our emission test chambers, please contact us.

Best regards

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FULLY COMPLIANT WITH :

- » **ISO 12219-4** (Determination of VOCs from vehicle interior parts and materials)
- » **VDA 276** (Determination of Organic substances as emitted from automotive interior products using a 1 m³ test chamber)
- » **GS97014-3 BMW Method** (Determination of VOCs from components, semifinished products and materials)
- » **PN 780 Porsche Method** (Interieur – Emission behavior)
- » **VCS 1027, 2769 Volvo Method** (Determination of volatile organic substances from interior components/systems using a 1 m³ emission chamber)
- » **PV 3942 Volkswagen Method** (Determining organic emissions from components for the passenger compartment of motor vehicles. Emission test)

OPTIONAL:

- » SHED function for testing according to **GS-97014-2 BMW Method** (Emissions measurement in SHED chambers. Determination of volatile, organic emissions from components, semi-finished products and materials that do not carry fuel), as well as CARB regulations
- » Fogging device according to **VDA 276** and **VCS 1027, 2769 Volvo Method**
- » **ISO 16000-9** (VOC emissions from building products and furnishing)
- » **EN 16516** (VOC emissions from construction products)
- » **EN 717-1** (Formaldehyde emissions from wood-based panels)
- » **GEV – testing method** (VOC emissions from products for flooring installation, adhesives and building materials)

Is your test method not listed? Our application experts will be happy to confirm if the EK1000 meets the requirements of your testing standard. Please contact us!

Standard compliance

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The Olfasense VOC emission test chamber EK1000 allows characterization of the emissions of volatile organic compounds under precise test conditions, and is fully compliant with the requirements of ISO 12219-4 and VDA 276.

(BMW method), PN 780 (Porsche method), VCS 1027, 2769 (Volvo method), as well as PV 3942 (Volkswagen method).

The chamber is optionally available with a SHED function for testing according to GS-97014-2, as well as a fogging device according to VDA 276 and VCS 1027, 2769 (Volvo method).



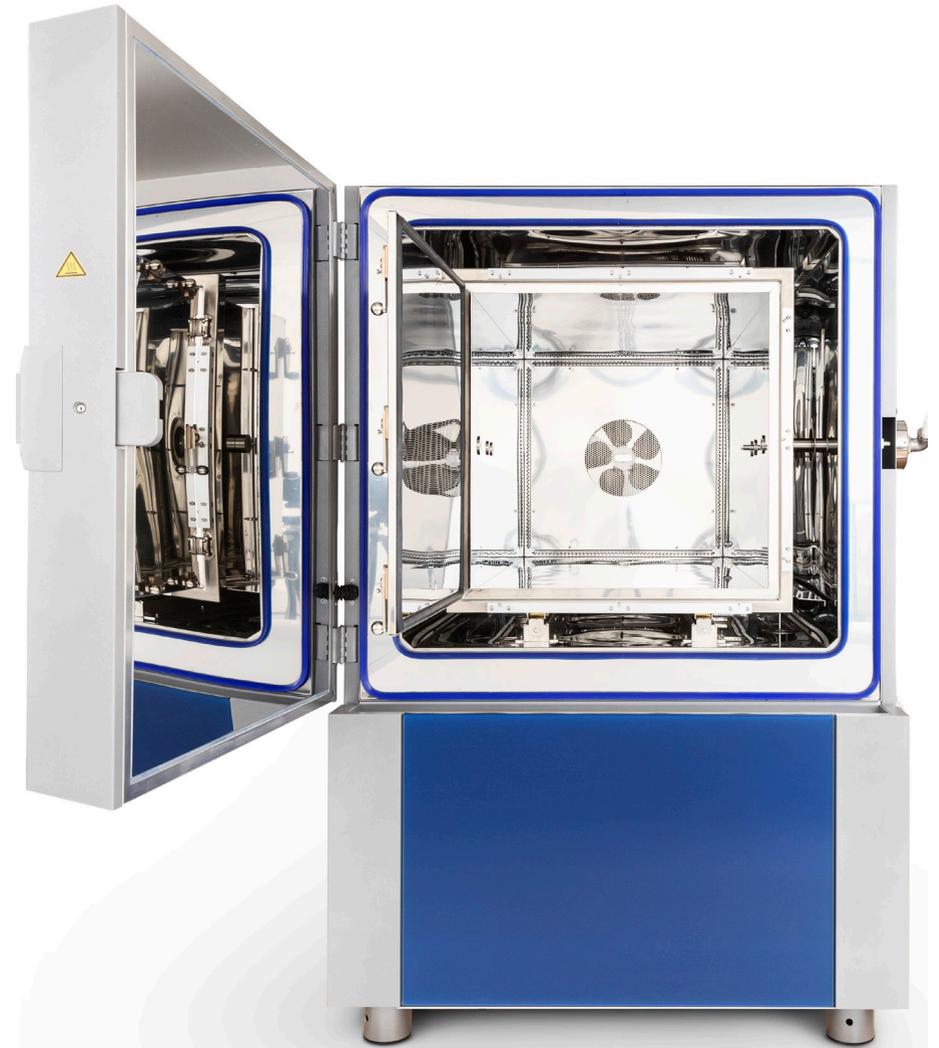


Standard features

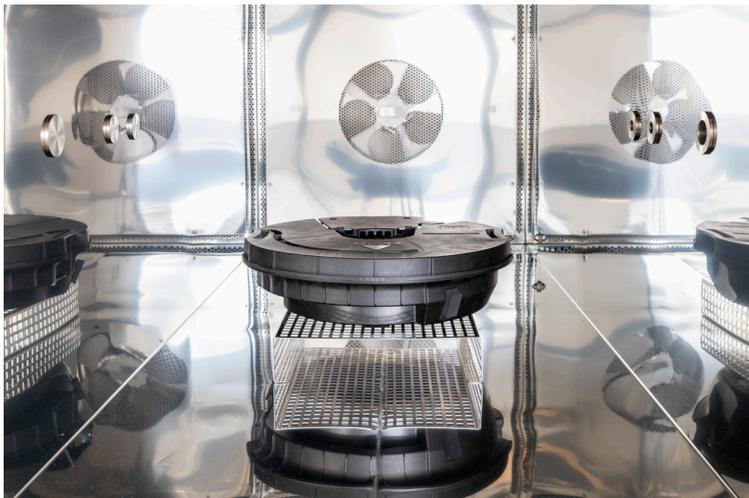
Incubator

- » External dimensions: 2790 x 1263 x 1980 mm (LWH)
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- » Temperature range: room temperature plus 5° C to 210° C inside the VOC emission test chamber
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- » Adjustable fan speed
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- » Automated emergency stop by temperature selection limiter class 2 (DIN 12880)
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- » Left hinged door
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- » Electro certificate of acceptance
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If you have individual requirements, please ask for your tailor-made product solution.



Emission test space



- » VOC emission test chamber made of polished stainless steel, usable space: 1735 x 745 x 745 mm (LWH)
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- » Precise compliance with all method and measurement parameters
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- » Minimized adhesion
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- » User-friendly door locks
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- » Rotor with drive via non-contact magnetic coupling and emission-free ceramic bearings (speed adjustable)
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- » Air switch: e.g. from regulated and humidified 6.67l/min to dry 50l/min
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Standard features

Control panel

- » Setting, control, monitoring and recording of parameters: temperature, humidity, mass flow with export function on USB stick
- » Integration of additional data channels (e.g. FID)
- » Multi-chamber edition (With CID licence)
- » Interfaces: USB, RS232, RS422, RS485 (usable e.g. for FID data connection); an FID is not included
- » Multi-language e.g. German, English, Spanish



Sampling connections



- » Sampling connections on the right
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- » Process-monitoring sensor (temperature and humidity in the chamber)
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- » Functional reliability, mass flow control at chamber inlet
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- » Heated sampling port, 4 ports (e.g. Swagelok, others on request)
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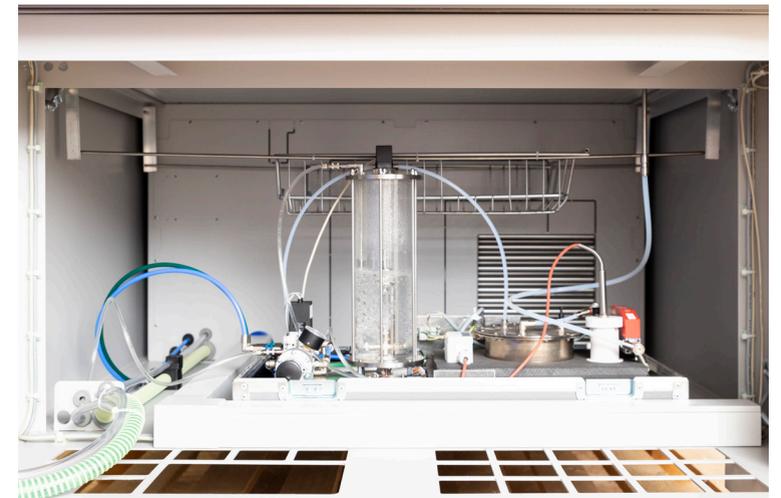
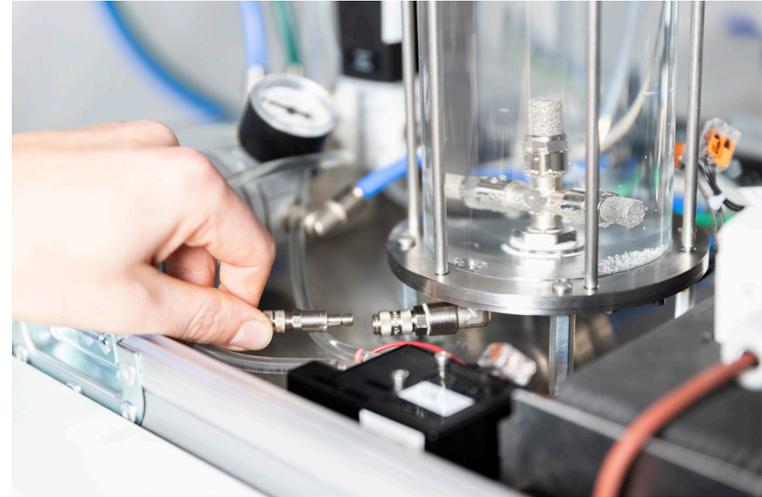
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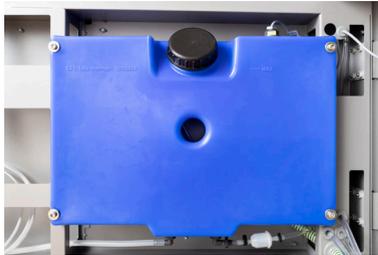
Standard features

- » Easy to maintain
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- » Exchangeable by plug and play technology
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- » Can be exchanged by the client within a few minutes
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- » Comes in a robust transport box for easy maintenance
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Humidity control unit



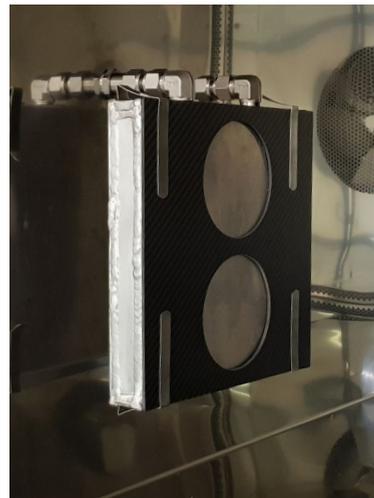
Other standard features



- » Viton door seal, thermally loadable up to 160° C; easy to replace
- » Lab water container
- » Separate connections for compressed air and for purging air

Optional features

- » Lab water connection
- » Fogging-device (without cooling thermostat) - VDA 276, VCS 1027, 2769
- » Nose mask mounted directly on the test chamber - VCS 1027, 2769
- » Tedlar bag for volume compensation - GS-97014-2
- » Air cooled refrigerant compressor - GS-97014-2



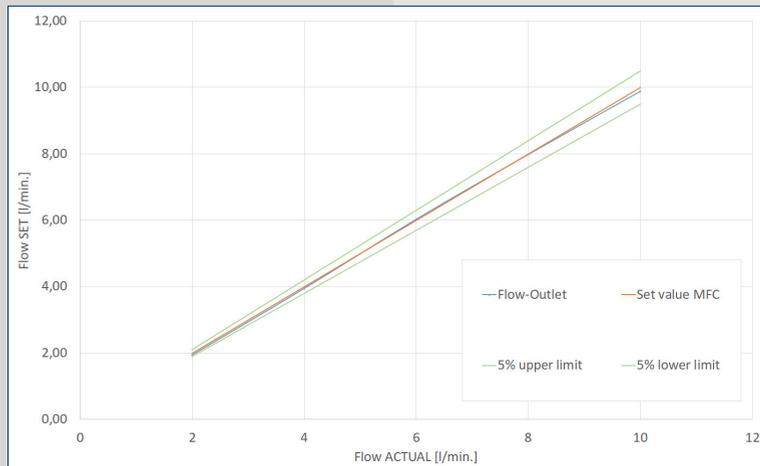


Excerpt of standard compliance test

Olfasense conducts validation tests for the VOC emission test chamber EK1000, including, but not limited to spatial temperature distribution, leak tightness, intermixing and background concentration. The chamber shows compliance with the normative requirements. On the following pages, we show exemplary validation test results of an EK1000. Additional documentation is available on request.

Leak tightness

To check the leak tightness, the outlet volume flow at several operating points was compared with the set values of the mass flow controller using a calibrated flow meter. The loss rate was then determined, which confirmed the required air tightness. The leak rate was also tested at 3000 Pa overpressure. The high performance result of 0.6 l/min. equals 0.06% of chamber volume.

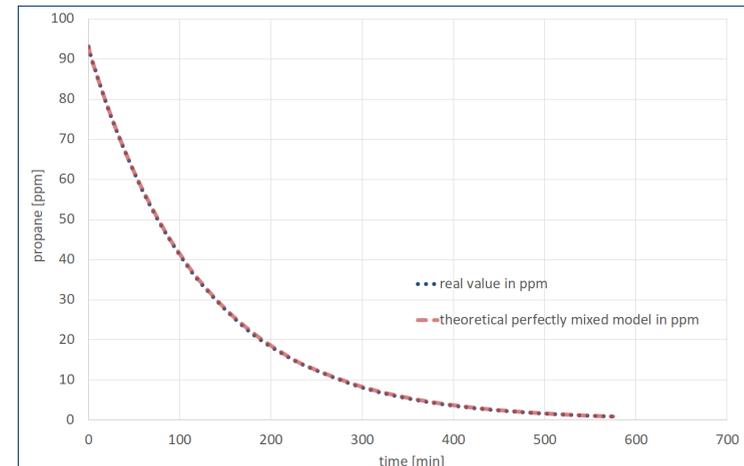


Background concentration

Analysis of TVOC and single target VOC on background concentration, supplied air quality and the water used for humidification showed compliance with the normative requirements.

Intermixing

This test was realized through a displacement test with propane, and showed actual values that were close to the expected values of ideal intermixing over the entire observation period.



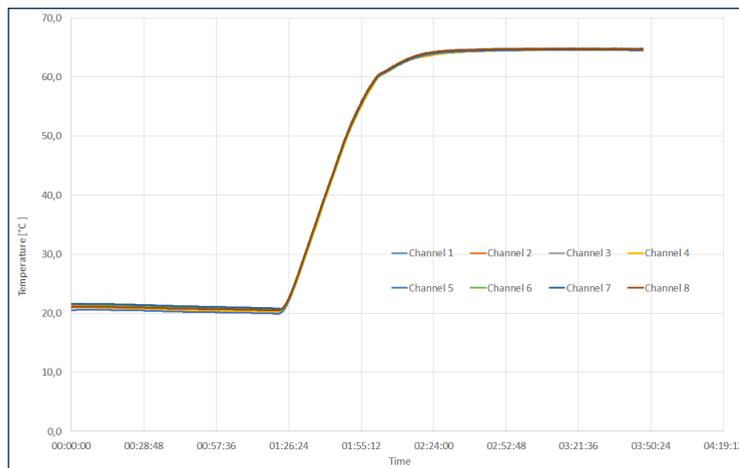
Technical data

Spatial temperature distribution

To test the spatial temperature distribution, eight PT100 temperature sensors were positioned in a wire frame in the middle of the emission test chamber. The uniformity of the distribution was better than the resolution of the temperature sensors (± 0.2 K).



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Description	EK1000	
Emission test space volume (usable)	1000 l (960 l)	
Conditioning	Air jacket temperature conditioning	
Temperature range	standard	room temperature plus 5° C to +130° C (emission test)
	optional	from +15° C (e.g. SHED method)
Desorption	up to 210° C, adjustable	
Temperature deviation over time	+/- 0.1 K to +/- 0.3 K	
Temperature homogeneity spatially	+/- 0.1 K to +/- 0.5 K	
Humidity range	dew point 2° C to 20° C	
	abs. humidity 5 - 17 g/m ³ 25% rh to 80% rh (at 23° C)	
Air flow	Testing 1 - 17 l/min.	
	Flushing* 10 - 200 l/min (standard 50 l/min.)	
Air exchange rate	Testing 0.06 - 1.0 h ⁻¹	
	Flushing* 0.6 - 12 h ⁻¹ (standard 3 h ⁻¹)	
	(continuously adjustable via mass flow controller with optional high performance calibration +/- 0.3% of end value plus 0.5% of measurement value)	
Air change control	electronic MFC (long-term stability < 1%)	
Air velocity range (above test specimen)	0.1 - 0.5 m/s	
Leak tightness	< 0.1% test space volume per min. at 1000 Pa overpressure	
Test space	width	745 mm
	depth	1735 mm
	height	745 mm
External dimensions (max.)	width	1263 mm
	depth	2790 mm
	height	1980 mm
Weight	approx. 1200 kg	
SPL	< 68 dB (A)	
Rated capacity (max.)	8.2 kW	
Electrical connection	400 V + 6 / -10%, 3/N, 50 Hz	
Factory calibration (optional)	+23° C / 50% rh with max 1h ⁻¹ exchange rate and +65° C / 5% rh with max 0.4h ⁻¹ exchange rate	

* factory-set adjustable

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