CESIUM ION GUN

Model 133





Features

- · Easy operation and maintenance
- High current density
- Stability better than 1% per hour
- High ionizing efficiency
- Suitable for SIMS, Ion Microprobes and Ion Microscopes
- High lifetime of cesium charge

General description

The HVEE Model 133 cesium ion gun is especially designed for attachment to existing ion microprobes and ion microscopes. The Model 133 cesium ion gun can be rapidly interchanged with a Duoplasmatron ion source to provide the optimum in positive and negative ion yields with minimum downtime.

The Model 133 cesium ion gun provides a beam of energetic cesium ions for sputtering of a sample surface and to introduce cesium atoms into the near surface region. This cesiated surface results in a high negative secondary ion yield for those elements with a favorable electron affinity.

Cesium is controllably volatilized from a heated reservoir to feed a tungsten frit, which is heated up to 1100 °C. The cesium diffuses through the frit and is thermally ionized with almost 100% efficiency. The Cs⁺ ions are then accelerated and focused by the same ion optics as for a Duoplasmatron ion source.

The Model 133 cesium ion gun is designed for routine, reliable operation. With proper care and attention, a cesium charge will last several hundred hours. The reservoir/frit assembly is housed in a stainless steel chamber, which has a flange compatible with most ion probes.

Several types of the Model 133 cesium ion gun are available as a direct ion gun replacement for:

Fisons (VG-Microtrace) Cameca ion microprobes ARL ion microprobes

Riber Instruments ion microprobes Atomika ADIDA ion microprobes

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SPECIFICATIONS

Output current : 200 µA

: 10 mA/cm² Current density

Current stability : < 1% per hour

: 10¹³ - 10¹⁷ atoms/cm³ for H, C, O, P, S, Zn, As, Se, Te, Au and the halogens Detection limits

POWER REQUIREMENTS

: 10 V, 50 A, AC Ionizer power supply Cesium reservoir power supply : 15 V, 1 A, AC Extraction power supply : 15 kV, 2 mA, DC Suppressor power supply : 5 kV, 5 mA, DC

The Model 133 Cesium Ion Gun requires ambient temperature liquid cooling with Syltherm XLT® or equivalent fluids (2 l/min, resistivity > 1 M Ω /cm).

The Model 133 Cesium Ion Gun normally operates at +15 kV with respect to (terminal) ground. Therefore the ion gun must be insulated from (terminal) ground. The ion gun power supplies must be connected to a 15 kV isolation transformer.

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