

Comparing ethylene oxide (EtO) monitoring solutions

The Thermo Scientific[™] MAX-iR[™] OE-FTIR Gas Analyzers provide the only total solution that fully meets your needs and helps ease compliance with the ethylene oxide NESHAP* for commercial sterilizers and PID** for workplace exposure.

Optically-enhanced Fourier transform infrared (OE-FTIR) spectroscopy vs. cavity ring-down spectroscopy (CRDS) system comparison

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	Thermo Scientific OE-FTIR spectroscopy systems		Cavity ring-down systems	
Performance criteria for EtO monitoring systems	Meets new EPA updates to ethylene oxide NESHAP and PID	\bigcirc	Meets new EPA updates to ethylene oxide NESHAP and PID	\bigcirc
وَنَّنْ Ease of deployment	Turnkey with fully automated compliance reporting Real time custom alerts		Integrated system	∞
Measurement range	Dynamic calibration range Quantification of inlet and outlet concentrations without dilution		Upper calibration range is limited by path length Requires dilutions to measure inlet concentrations, increasing measurement error	×
ج System design and field experience	In-house design and manufacture of full system hardware and software Proven field history since 2019		Minimal field experience Newly released systems in 2023	۲
Service and support	Team of experienced field service and applications specialists	\bigcirc	Limited installation, service and support capabilities	(\mathbf{x})
Robustness	Proven reliability regardless of sample contamination	\bigodot	High finesse mirrors susceptible to signal loss, especially in hot/wet applications	(\mathbf{x})
Operational costs	Minimal system preventative maintenance		High cost to upkeep mirrors in CRDS analyzer in addition to system preventative maintenance	(\mathbf{x})

* National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants

** Proposed Interim Decision

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