# TRACE GC Ultra

Productivity beyond limits

The TRACE GC Ultra<sup>™</sup> is the new multi-channel gaschromatograph platform, developed as the solution to the GC market's evolving requirements!

Besides offering the most complete range of proprietary inlets, sensitive detection systems, smart accessories, and ancillary devices, the Ultra platform is the FIRST commercially available instrument featuring two new technologies able to raise the standard of Speed and Sensitivity in Gas Chromatography!



### **Ultra in Flexibility**

In addition to a comprehensive range of injectors, the availability of a universal base body allows swift detector interchangeability and configurations with up to three detectors operating simultaneously, thus providing added value on your investment.

## **Ultra in Solutions**

Combined with the Valve Oven, the TRACE GC Ultra delivers unmatched turn-key solutions even for the most demanding applications requiring multidimensional column switching techniques. Multiple packed or capillary columns, sampling and switching systems, and pressure regulators can all be effectively installed in an additional heated and readily accessible housing.

## **Ultra in Performance**

The simple, integrated Automatic Column Characterization available with the electronic gas flow controller grants utmost stability in both retention time repeatability and reproducibility.

### **Ultra in Automation**

A vast array of automatic sampling systems (for liquid and headspace) makes this GC able to withstand even the highest workload requirements, operating unattended around-the-clock. Instrument control and acquisition, enabled by Thermo proprietary or third party data systems, are further exploited by the NEW internal LAN interfacing capability.





## **Unique Techniques**

### **Ultra Fast**

#### 20 times faster analyses

The Ultra Fast GC column module featuring heat-up rates up to 1200 °C/min can dramatically shorten analysis cycles without compromising analytical resolution, precision, or reliability. Column modules are available for virtually any stationary phase.

## Large Volume Splitless 50 times more sensitive

Large Volume injection capability up to 50  $\mu$ L, available for the first time on your standard TRACE GC Ultra SSL injector, greatly extends sensitivity of conventional GC methods in a simple and effective fashion. 250  $\mu$ L capability offered through the On-column and PTV options complete the offering by meeting all requirements for trace analysis.

#### **TRACE GC Ultra**

Features and Technical Specific	ations		
Column Oven			
	Programmability: 7 Ramps/8 Plateaus. Temperature range: few degrees above ambient to 450 °C. Maximum Temperature ramp: 120 °C/min. Typical heat-up: from 50 °C to 450 °C in 420 seconds. Typical cool down: 450 °C to 50 °C in 420 seconds. Typical cool down: 450 °C to 50 °C in 420 seconds.		
1	50 C in 250 seconds. Sub-ambient	.: -99 C with liquid N <sub>2</sub> , -55 C Wi	th CU <sub>2</sub> options.
Vanorizing Inlets			
SSL, Packed, Purged Packed	Temperature range: 50-400 °C		
B.E.S.T. PTV	Heating rate: Up to 14.5 °C/sec (870°C/min). Programmability: 3 ramps/4 plateaus. Air-cooled down to few degrees above ambient temperature. Sub-ambient: -50 °C with liquid $N_2$ , -30°C with CO <sub>2</sub> options.		
Non-Vaporizing Inlets			
Cold On-column	Septumless injector. No heating of the injector is required. Suitable for manual and automated operations. Cryogenic coolant not required.		
Large Volume Options			
Large Volume Cold Un-column	up to 450 µL injectable volume. Uncoret type desolvation precolumn. Heated Solvent Vapor Exit valve. LVI software assistant for parameter optimization. Suitable for clean matrices.		
Large Volume B.E.S.T. PTV	Up to 450 µL injection volume. Heated Solvent Split valve. Compatible with optional Backflush kit for PTV. Suitable for large volatility range samples in dirty matrices.		
Large Volume Splitless	Patented technology. Up to 50 µL injection volume. Compatible with manual or automated injections. Suitable for samples amenable to split-splitless injector.		
Inlet Pneumatics			
Digital (250 and 1,000 kPa)	Ambient Temperature and Pressure compensation. Gas saver. Automatic column characterization. Automatic leak check. Pressure surge.		
Manual (600 kPa)	-		
Detectors	MDA	Linearity	Selectivity or additional features
Flame Ionization Detector	2 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> gC/sec	Better than 10 <sup>7</sup>	Flameout detection and timed programming capability. Acquisition rate 300 Hz
Thermal Conductivity Detector	600 pg Ethane/mL He	106	Automated software switch function
Electron Capture Detector	< 10 fg of Lindane	Better than 10 <sup>₄</sup>	<sup>133</sup> Ni source, micro cell volume design
Nitrogen Phosphorus Detector	$5 \times 10^{-14}$ gN/s and $2 \times 10^{-14}$ gP/s	Better than 10 <sup>₄</sup>	N/C = 10 <sup>5</sup> :1; P/C = 2 x 10 <sup>5</sup> :1
Flame Photometric Detector	1 x 10 <sup>-13</sup> gP/s and 10 <sup>4</sup> (P), 5 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> gS/s (Malathion)	10 <sup>3</sup> (S) after linearization with suitable s/w	P/C=10 <sup>6</sup> :1; S/C=10⁵:1 Dual flame photometric capability
Photo Ionization Detector	1 x $10^{-12}$ g of Benzene 1.3 x $10^{-12}$ g of Toluene	Better than $10^5$	Patented lamp cooling system for temperatures up to 400 °C
Pulsed Discharge Detector	Low pg range	105	Non radioactive source
Manual and digital pneumatics for detector gas controls			
Valve Oven	Independently heated valve housi regulators, 8 needle valves, In/out	ing able to accommodate up to ports, packed and capillary colu	4 heated/2 unheated gas valves, 8 pressure Imns. Maximum Temperature isothermal 175 °C
Ultra Fast GC			
	Only for SSL/FID or PTV-FID configurations. Heat up rate 1200 °C/min linear throughout entire Temperature range. Minimum Temperature: 40 °C. Maximum Temperature: 370 °C. 3 Ramps/4 Plateaus. Typical cool-down time: 370 °C to 50 °C in 1 minute.		
System Automation			
Liquid sampling			
AI 3000	Compatible with SSL, B.E.S.I. PTV, PKD and PPKD Injectors. Maximum injectable volume 5 µl. Minimum 20 nanoliters with 0.5 µL syringe, "plunger-in-needle". Up to 8 sample vial capacity. Upgradable to AS 3000.		
AS 3000	Same as AI 3000 but with up to 105 sample vial capacity.		
TriPlus™ AS	Compatible with all injectors. 2x150 positions sample trays. Offers automated Large Volume injection capability up to 450 µL, solvent flush and internal standard injection modes. Available in "clone mode", with one sampling unit automating 2 adjacent GC or GC-MS. Upgradable to TriPlus Duo.		
Headspace Sampling			
TriPlus HS	2x54 positions sample trays. Heated syringe (Maximum Temperature: 150 °C). 6 position Incubation Oven with shaker and heating. Multiple Headspace Extraction (MHE) device available. Upgradable to TriPlus Duo.		
Liquid and Headspace Sampling			
IriPlus Duo	Same as IriPlus AS and HS, offering both liquid and headspace sampling capability through 2 dedicated "snap-on" interchangeable turrets.		

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