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Desktop Sample Cleaner and Desiccator



The Next Generation for Pre-Analysis Sample Cleaning

Offering an easy-to-use cleaner that ensures the best possible data from your samples

See the true surface of your specimens after removing the surface hydrocarbons with the ZONE surface cleaning system!

Sample surfaces are inevitably coated with hydrocarbon contamination due to sample preparation or from storage. The ZONE cleaning system gently removes contaminations to reveal the true surface of your specimens.

MAIN FEATURES AND USE

ZoneSEM

- Sample holder stage designed for Hitachi Type I & Type II carriers
- Adjustable height and optional holders available
- Effective cleaning of surfaces up to 70mm in diameter

Zone**TEM**

- Optimized cleaning of TEM grid specimens.
- Simultaneously clean and store up to three TEM holders
- Optimized for Hitachi specimen holders for TEM, STEM, FIB, and in-lens SEM systems
- Serves as an excellent desiccator to prevent holder out-gassing

Common Features

- Utilizes a non-destructive cleaning technology
- Optimized to quickly remove surface hydrocarbons from samples under vacuum with adjustable operating pressure
- Vacuum storage of cleaned samples
- Dry oil-free diaphragm pumps for safe contamination free storage
- Optional holders for other EM manufacturers available

ZoneTEM 000

Designed for high throughput and flexible setups

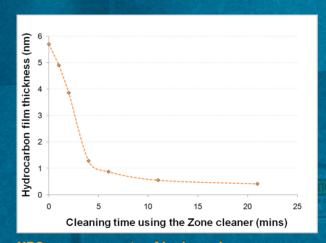
- Simultaneously clean single or multiple samples
- User friendly computerized interface
- Easy access for sample insertion and removal
- Typical cleaning time is 5 to 15 minutes





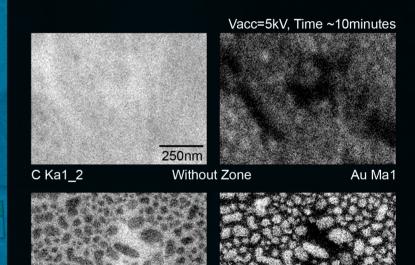
CLEANING PROCESS

The ZONE cleaning system uses a customized UV source to effectively remove hydrocarbons. The UV source directly attacks and breaks up hydrocarbon bonds. At the same time oxygen ions react strongly with the broken hydrocarbon bonds to create species such as H2O, CO and CO2 which are easily pumped away by the vacuum system.



XPS measurements of hydrocarbon removal rate on the surface of a-napthyl-phenyl-diamine (α-NPD) film for **OLED** device application.

Specimen and XPS characterization courtesy of Prof. Lu, Materials Eng. University of Toronto



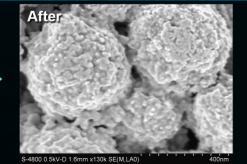
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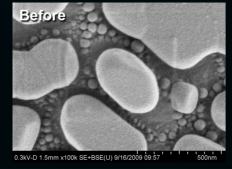
20 minutes after Zone The gold on carbon sample shown here demonstrates

the difference in EDX mapping quality when the sample is free from residual hydrocarbon left on the surface, resulting in improved analytical performance.

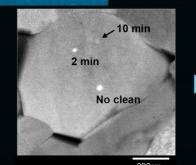
APPLICATION GALLERY











Electron beam induced deposition (EBID) is often a problem found in STEM due to the deposition of hydrocarbon from the sample surrounding. To illustrate this phenomena, electron beam is focused on a spot on the sample for 1 minute. It can be seen that the deposition mark diminishes as the sample is being cleaned for 1, 2 and 10 minutes respectively.

SEM Sample: PVD Tin-Gold particles

Specifications

Item	Description
Cleaning System	Microprocessor Controlled
Cleaning Modes	Vacuum Clean Vacuum Clean/ Storage
Cleaning Times	0 to 30 minutes, in 1 minute steps
Vacuum System	Dry Pumping System
Vacuum Level	Ultimate Vacuum within 120 seconds
Vacuum Setting	Scalable from 1 to 100, in steps of 1

Certifications

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Product Safety	IEC 61010-1:2009
Full EMC Testing	IEC 61326-1/ EN61000 FCC15B CISPR11:2009/ EN 55022:2007
Certification Mark	cTUVus (CB schemed)

Installation Requirements

Item	Description
Room Temp.	15 to 30° C
Humidity	70%RH or less
Input Power	Single Phase AC100 to 240V (Minimum: AC 90V, Maximum: 250V)
Input Frequency	50/ 60 Hz (± 3 Hz)
Current Draw	0.6 Amps (Max)

Dimensions and Weight

Item	Description (H x W x D)
Footprint	360mm x 390mm x 480mm
Main Unit	360mm x 390mm x 378mm
Power Cord	2.5 meters or 8 feet long
Weight	17 kg

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