User Manual



FlowAnalyser[™]

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2 Preface

Application

- This documentation applies to the products described as: FlowAnalyser[™] PF-300, FlowAnalyser[™] PF-301, FlowAnalyser[™] PF-302
- MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703 •
- FlowLab™

You will find the designation *FlowAnalyser*[™] on the nameplate on the back of the device.

In this user manual, the designation *FlowAnalyser[™]* includes the *FlowAnalyser[™] PF-300*, FlowAnalyserTM PF-301 and the FlowAnalyserTM PF-302.

Software and Firmware versions

This documentation applies to the following versions:

- *FlowLab[™]* Software Version 4.1.1 •
- FlowAnalvser[™] Firmware Version 4.1.1

When using older or newer versions small differences to this manual may appear.

Key to symbols used in this manual					
Keys, <i>FlowAnalyser[™]</i> labels and information in the display	Keys, such as <i>Power</i> , labels, such as <i>USB</i> , and information in the display, such as <i>Changing the settings</i> , are shown in bold, italic type.				
References to pages and chapters	The symbol (> XY) is used for references to pages and chapters (> 5.1.6 Physical Data).				

Version details			
Edition of this User Manual:	July 2008		
Version:	2.1		
Subject to technical modification without prior warning.			

3 Intended Use

The *FlowAnalyser*TM is a compact, mobile and easy-to-use measuring device.

The *FlowAnalyser*TM carries out all the following measurements:

- Low flow (-20...20 l/min)
- High flow (-300...300 l/min)
- Volume
- Differential pressure
- High pressure
- Atmospheric pressure
- Oxygen
- Temperature
- Humidity
- Dew point

It can also measure a variety of respiratory parameters:

- Inspiration volume, expiration volume
- Rate of respiration
- I:E
- Inspiration time, expiration time
- Ppeak
- Pmean
- PEEP
- PF Insp (Peak flow inspiratory)
- PF Exp (Peak flow expiratory)
- Ti/TCycle
- Cstat, Pplateau and HF

The **FlowAnalyser**TM has been designed for mobile use. In the event of power failure the device can be operated from a built-in battery.

The *FlowAnalyser*TM is a measuring device for testing and calibrating ventilators. The *FlowAnalyser*TM should not be used for patient monitoring.

The **FlowAnalyser**TM must not be connected to a ventilator which is being used by a patient.

4 Safety Instructions

4.1 Symbols for Danger, Warnings and Notes This User Manual uses the symbols below to draw your specific attention to the remaining dangers associated with proper use, and to emphasize important technical requirements.

Information or directions / warnings to prevent any sort of damage / risk.

4.2 Personnel

The *FlowAnalyser*[™] may only be operated or worked on by personnel with suitable technical training and appropriate experience.

4.3 Responsibilities and Guarantees The manufacturer assumes no responsibility or guarantee, and exonerates himself accordingly from liability claims, where the operator or any third party has:

- Used the device improperly
- Disregarded technical data
- Tampered with the device in any way (modifications, changes, etc.)
- Operated the device using accessories that are not listed in the associated product documentation.

Although this device features a high standard of quality and safety and has been built and tested according to the current state of the art, improper usage or misuse can result in injuries with serious consequences.

Therefore please read this user manual carefully and keep this documentation within reach of the device.

5 Technical Data

5.1 Measurement Categories

5.1.1	Analyser Values ¹	Low flow	Range Accuracy	-2020 sl/min +/- 1.75% of reading or +/- 0.05 sl/min
		High flow	Range Accuracy	-300300 sl/min +/- 1.75% of reading or +/- 0.1 sl/min
		Volume	Range Accuracy	-100100 sl +/- 2% of reading or +/- 0.02 sl (High flow) +/- 0.01 sl (Low flow)
		Pressure (in High flow)	Range Accuracy	0150 mbar +/- 0.75% of reading or +/- 0.1 mbar
		Differential pressure	Range Accuracy	-150150 mbar +/- 0.75% of reading or +/- 0.1 mbar
		High pressure	Range Accuracy	010 bar +/- 1% of reading or +/- 10 mbar
		Atmospheric pressure	Range Accuracy	01150 mbar +/- 1% of reading or +/- 5 mbar
		Oxygen	Range Accuracy	0100 % +/- 1% O ₂
		Humidity	Range	0100 % Not condensing
			Accuracy	+/- 3% r. H.
		Temperature	Range Accuracy	050°C +/- 1.75% of reading or +/- 0.5°C
		Dew point	Range Accuracy	-1050°C +/- 2% of reading or +/- 1°C
		Additional pressure sensors	Find details in c pressure (PF-30 Pressure sensc VAC).	chapter 6.3.6 Low 02 <i>LOW)</i> and 6.3.7 or +/- 1 bar <i>(PF-301</i>

¹ Standard liter per minute (calculated using STP conditions of 21°C and 1013 mbar)

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5.1.2 Respiratory Parameters

Vti, Vte	Breath volume of inspiration and expiration	Range Accuracy	+/- 10sl +/- 2% or 0.02sl (High flow) 0.01 (Low flow)
Vi, Ve	Minute volume of inspiration and expiration	Range Accuracy	+/- 300 sl/min +/- 2% or 0.02 (High flow) 0.01 (Low flow)
Ti, Te	Inspiration and expiration times	Range Accuracy	0.05 – 60 s +/- 0.02s
Ti/TCycle	Ratio Inspiration time : Breath cycle time	Range Accuracy	0 – 100% +/- 5%
Ppeak	Maximum pressure	Range Accuracy	0 – 150 mbar +/- 0.75% or +/- 0.1 mbar
Pmean	Mean pressure	Range Accuracy	0 – 150 mbar +/- 0.75% or +/- 0.1 mbar
I:E	Respiration time ratio	Range Accuracy	1:300 – 300:1 +/- 2.5%
PEEP	Positive End Expiratory Pressure	Range Accuracy	0 – 150 mbar +/- 0.75% or +/- 0.1 mbar
Rate	Rate of respiration	Range Accuracy	1 – 1000 bpm +/- 2.5% or +/- 1 bpm
PF Insp.	Maximum flow of inspiration	Range Accuracy	+/- 300 sl/min +/- 1.75% or +/-0.1 sl/min
PF Exp.	Maximum flow of expiration	Range Accuracy	+/-300 sl/min +/- 1.75% or +/- 0.1 sl/min
Cstat	Static Compliance	Range Accuracy	0 – 1000 ml/mbar +/- 3% or +/- 1 ml/mbar
Pplateau	Plateau Pressure	Range Accuracy	0 – 150 mbar +/- 0.75% or +/- 0.1 mbar

5.1.3 Principle of Operation for Flow Measurement The Flow is measured over a differential pressure measurement in the flow channel. As restrictor a screen is used.



η: dynamic viscosity of gas [Pa s]

 ρ : density of gas [kg / m3]

c1, c2: device specific constants (channel geometry)

Dynamic • The viscosity of a medium is its viscosity resistance to shear or flow

- The viscosity is strongly temperature dependent
- Small dependent on humidity and pressure
- Density The density is a measure of the medium's mass per unit of volume
 - The density is strongly temperature and pressure dependent

The dependence on the ambient conditions is the reason why the flow is sometimes transferred to standard conditions (>5.2 Standard Conditions for Flow Measurement).

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- 5.1.4 Special Functions Automatic battery operation in event of power failure.
- 5.1.5 Communication USB Interfaces RS-232 port for FW download, remote control and connection of optional *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703*

Trigger input (digital) for volume trigger

- 5.1.6 Physical Data Weight: 3.7 kg Dimensions (I x w x h): 22 x 25 x 12 cm Gas types: Air, O₂, N₂O, He, N₂, CO₂ and Mixed: Air/O₂, N₂O/O₂ He/O₂
- 5.1.7 Calibration by User Calibration of pressure sensors Calibration of oxygen sensor
- 5.1.8
 Operational Data
 Temperature:
 15...40°C (59...104°F)

 Humidity:
 10%... 90% r. H. not condensing

 Air pressure:
 700...1060 mbar

 Storage and transport conditions:
 -10...60 °C (14...140°F)
- 5.1.9 Extras *FlowLab*[™] Software - *MultiGasAnalvser*[™] *OR-703*

5.2 Standard Conditions for Flow Measurement

Ambient Temperature and Pressure	ATP	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of actual temperature, actual pressure and actual humidity.
Ambient Temperature and Pressure (D = dry)	ATPD	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of actual temperature, actual pressure and 0% humidity. (D = dry)
Ambient Temperature and Pressure (S = saturated)	ATPS	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of actual temperature, actual pressure and 100% humidity. (S = saturated)
Ambient Pressure at 21°C	AP21	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 21.1°C (70°F), actual pressure and actual humidity.
Standard Conditions USA	STP	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 21.1°C, 1013.25 mbar and 0% humidity. (70°F / 760mmHg)
Standard Conditions USA (humid)	STPH	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 21.1°C, 1013.25 mbar and actual humidity. (70°F / 760 mmHg)
Body Temperature and Pressure Saturated	BTPS	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 37°C (99°F), actual pressure and 100% humidity. (S = saturated)
Body Temperature and Pressure Dry	BTPD	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of $37^{\circ}C$ (99°F), actual pressure and 0%. humidity. (D = dry)
Standard Conditions according to DIN 1343	0/1013	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 0°C, 1013.25mbar and 0% humidity. (32°F / 760mmHg)
Standard Conditions according to ISO 1-1975 (DIN 102)	20/981	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 20°C, 981mbar and 0% humidity. (68°F / 736mmHg)
API Standard Conditions	15/1013	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 15.5°C, 1013.25mbar and 0% humidity. (60°F / 760mmHg)
20°C/ 1013mbar	20/1013	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 20°C, 1013.25mbar and 0% humidity. (68°F / 760 mmHg)
Cummings Standard	25/991	Volume calculation using ambient conditions of 25°C, 991mbar and 0% humidity. (77°F / 743mmHg)

In this user manual the unit **sl/min** is based on ambient conditions of 0°C and 1013 mbar (DIN 1343). Please refer to Appendix B: Values and Units where you also can find conversion factors for the units.

5.3	Power Supply	Input voltage of power pack	100240 VAC, 5060 Hz
		Supply voltage	15 V DC
		Power consumption	25 V A
5.4	Battery Mode	Running time in battery mode	3 h
		Running time in battery mode with the <i>MultiGasAnalyser™</i>	2 h
		Charging the battery	A complete charge takes 8 h. The life time of the battery will be enlarged if the battery is used till the request for recharge and than charged for 8 h.

The instrument is warning visually and acoustically as soon as the battery has to be recharged by connecting to the power supply. Do not keep the battery in discharged mode!

Attention: A total discharge may destroy the battery!

5.5 Compliance and Approvals

CE

- IEC 1010-1 (safety)
- EN61326-1 (EMC)

- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0-M91 (General)
- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 1010.1-92 (Safety)
- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 1010.1 B-97 (Safety)
- UL. Std No. 61010B-1. 1st Ed. (General)

The instrument is classified in Installation category II. The instrument is assigned to Pollution degree 2.

The instrument is designed for indoor use only.

5.6	Device Labels and Symbols	The Flow	following label vAnalyser [™] :	s and	symbols	can	be	found	on	the
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RS232	RS232 interface (for servicing)	
USB	USB interface (for PC communication)	
SN: xxxx	Serial number	
\triangle	Warning: observe accompanying documents.	
[m]	Date of production Month - Year	
\bigtriangledown	Ground	

5.7 Minimum PC Requirements Intel[®] Pentium[®] III 800 MHz (P4 1200 MHz recommended) Microsoft[®] Windows[®] 98, Me, 2000, XP Microsoft[®] Internet Explorer 5.01 or above 128 MB RAM (256 MB recommended) 160 MB hard disc space (full installation) CD ROM drive Screen 800 x 600 (1024 x 768 recommended)

6 Preparing for Use

6.1 Individual Supplied Parts



Power pack

Basic unit: *FlowAnalyser*™





USB cable

User manual and calibration certificate







FlowAnalyser[™] Adapter Set



Filter



6.2 Power Supply Power is connected to the back of the *FlowAnalyser*TM.

The main power switch is used to switch the instrument on and off.

A LED marked with *Charging* lights up when the battery is being charged. This also works when the device is off.



6.2.1 Supply Voltage The mains voltage for the *power pack supplied* is 100...240 V AC at 50...60 Hz.

The *FlowAnalyser*TM may only be operated with the original power pack supplied!

For protection against interference from electromagnetic fields and static electricity, the device must be grounded using the pins provided.

Before you switch on the device, check that the operating voltage of the **power pack** complies with the local mains voltage.

Details can be found on the nameplate on the back of the *power pack*.

6.3 Mechanical Connections

6.3.1 Protection Filter

In order to protect the instrument from contaminations with particles of the air it is important to use the filter, which is delivered with each instrument. The filter has to be used on the High flow as well as on the Low flow channel.

Particles in the air may clog the measuring system and provoke inaccurate measuring results. The Filter has to be checked on a regular basis (> 11.3 Preventative Cleaning and Maintenance Routines).

6.3.2 *FlowAnalyser*[™] Adapter Set

The *FlowAnalyser*[™] Adapter Set included assists in connecting various test objects to the *FlowAnalyser*[™]. A minimal amount of dead space as well as minimal differences in the Flow stream assist in assuring highly accurate measurements. When using the Low flow connection for measuring respiratory parameters, the positive interface of the differential pressure sensor is used for the pressure measurement. The T-Piece included with the connection tube connects the corresponding interfaces.

6.3.3 Low Flow³

The *Low flow* connection is used to measure small flow rates. In order to calculate respiratory parameters using this measurement channel, the trigger must be set to "infant" (>10.3 Standard Trigger Values). Thereby, the positive interface from the differential pressure sensor will automatically be used as the pressure sensor. The T-Piece with the connection tube can be used to connect these two interfaces.



-20 ...20 sl/min +/- 1.75% of reading or 0.05 sl/min

To achieve very accurate measurements it helps if the back end of the low flow channel is connected to the high flow channel. On this way the additional values can be measured.

For Flows higher than 20 sl/min the measurement is not accurate anymore.

Accuracy:

³ Standard liter per minute (calculated using STP conditions of 21°C and 1013 mbar)

6.3.4 High Flow⁴

The *High flow* connection can be used for the following bidirectional measurements:

- High flow rates (-300...300 sl/min)
- Volume
- Temperature
- Humidity
- Oxygen
- Pressure in the channel



High flow:	Range.	-300 300 sl/min
nigh now.	Range.	-000
	Accuracy:	+/- 1.75% of reading or +/- 0.1 sl/min
Volume:	Range:	010 sl
	Accuracy:	+/- 2% of reading or +/- 0.02 sl
Temperature:	Range:	050°C
	Accuracy:	+/- 1.75% of reading or +/- 0.5°C
Humidity:	Range:	090% not condensing
	Accuracy:	+/- 2% r. H.
Oxygen:	Range:	0100 %
	Accuracy:	+/- 1% O ₂
Pressure	Range:	0150 mbar
	Accuracy:	+/- 0.75% of reading or +/- 0.1 mbar
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When working with higher humidity it is important that there is no condensation inside the instrument. Water can destroy the sensors!

Pressures higher than 500 mbar will destroy the sensors!

⁴ Standard liter per minute (calculated using STP conditions of 21°C and 1013 mbar)

6.3.5 Differential Pressure The *Differential pressure* connections can be used to measure differential pressure.



6.3.6 Low pressure (*PF-302* There is an additional low pressure sensor for the *PF-302 LOW*. *LOW*) The sensor is connected to the specified connector and is marked with a blue ring.



When using one of the pressure options (low P or +/- 1bar), the sensor (+/- 150 mbar) will be connected to the remaining connector where as the second port of the sensor is measuring against ambient. The measurement range remains the same.

6.3.7 Pressure sensor +/- 1 bar (PF-301 VAC) There is an additional pressure sensor +/- 1 bar for the *PF-301 VAC*. The sensor is connected to the specified connector and is marked with a yellow ring.



6.3.8 High Pressure The *High pressure* connection can be used to measure pressures greater than 150 mbar.

> If you prefer for this connection a DISS O₂ Connection, there is an appropriate adapter available (> 12.4 Spare Parts).



Range:

+/- 1% of reading or 10 mbar

Accuracy:

When measuring below 150mbar it is recommended to use the Differential Pressure port +/-150mbar since the accuracy is up to 100 times higher.

Pressures higher than 15 bar will destroy the sensor!

6.4 Electrical Interfaces

6.4.1 USB

The USB interface is used to connect the *FlowAnalyser*TM to the PC. The connection is located on the back of the device.

If *FlowLab*[™] software was supplied with the device, the recorded values can be graphically displayed on the computer.

If your device does not have this software, the USB connection will be blocked. It can be released at any time with a clearance code (> 8.2 USB Communication).



6.4.2 Ethernet

The Ethernet interface permits connection between the **FlowAnalyser**TM and the Internet. This function is not a standard feature, but is optionally available (Mini Web Interface). In order to use this Ethernet interface customized software is necessary. If you are interested in this feature, please ask imtmedical for more details.



6.4.3 RS 232

The RS232 interface is used for servicing (firmware download), for the connection of the *MultgasAnalyserTM OR-703* as well as for remote control of the unit and is located on the back of the *FlowAnalyserTM*.



The connection to the RS 232 port has to be established over the special RS 232 Download Cable (>12.4 Spare Parts)

If the instrument has to be remote controlled e.g. through a specific software package you can as your authorized dealer for a detailed description of the protocol.

Assignment:

The pin numbers are equal on the instrument as well as on the D-Sub 9 plug where as pin 1 on the instrument is on the top.

GND

TxD

RxD

Not connected

Pin 5	
Pin 7	
Pin 8	
Pin 1,2,3,4,6,9	

6.4.4 External Trigger The **external trigger** interface is used to trigger measurement of volume. The input is decoupled.

Please use a 4 pole FCC plug of the type RJ-10 to connect.



6.4.5 Grounding To protect the device from interference by electromagnetic fields, as well as prevent internal static electricity build-up, it must be grounded using this connection.



7 Operation

7.1 Switching the Device On and Off



Check that all cables and hoses are connected correctly, and check compliance with technical data (>6 Preparing for Use).

The device can be switched on and off with the on/off switch on the back.



7.2The Start
ScreenWhen the *FlowAnalyser*TM is switched on, a welcome screen appears.
Three seconds later the numerical readings are displayed.

If you wish to change the displayed language please use the language selector (>7.15 Setting the Language).

7.3 Adjusting the Contrast
The display quality depends on the angle of viewing. You may have to adjust the contrast to suit the angle of viewing to get the best display quality.
You adjust the contrast by simultaneously pressing the two highlighted keys.



7.4 Description of Operating Controls



7.5 Specifications for the Operating Controls Keys: The keys do not have specific functions. The different functions assigned to them can be seen in the display.

Direct Access A Direct Access Control Knob (DAC) can be found next to each mechanical connection. If you press a DAC the information associated with that mechanical connection is shown on the display, e.g. measured variables, range of values, current reading, etc. Gas type and gas standard is also shown in the header of the display. The LED above the DAC indicates which connection is active on the display.



The DAC window of the HighFlow Channel. (*Details* will show you information about the various other sensors of that channel.)

Power: The LED indicates whether the device is on.

7.6 Numerical Display When you switch on the device *Numerical 1* appears on the display. Four measured values can be displayed on the display at the same time. In the title bar you can see the current settings for the gas type, standard, battery status, mains mode and USB connection.



- 7.6.1 Specification for the Numerical Display
- Numerical display number. Altogether there are four different numerical displays, allowing a maximum of 16 values to be displayed.
- (2) Trigger Indication. This icon indicates the detection of a trigger at the actual ventilation cycle. The icon is displayed for ½ second and indicates the start of a new inspiration. If this icon does not appear the trigger settings need to be adjusted (> 7.13 Setting the Volume Trigger).

As long as there is no trigger event being detected, "**No Trig**" information is shown in the reading field.

- (3) Baseflow. This symbol appears if the baseflow function has been activated for volume measurement (> 7.13 Setting the Volume Trigger).
- (4) Gas type currently selected. Depending on what type of gas is being measured, the device must be set accordingly (> 7.12 Gas Type and Standard).
- (5) Standard. The values displayed will be calculated using the selected standards. Choose from several common gas standards (> 7.12 Gas Type and Standard).

(6) **Power supply**. This symbol appears when the device is connected to the power supply.

> The analyzer can also be operated with the built-in battery. A battery symbol appears to indicate battery operation and loading status of battery:



Battery full

ITT

Battery empty - Please recharge! A warning message appears if the battery gets very low (> 5.4 Battery Mode).

- **USB**. The analyser can be connected to a PC via the (7) USB connection. This symbol appears if a connection to the PC has been established.
- Measured variable. Shows the variable. Variables can (8) be changed in the configuration monitor (> 7.7.1 Specification for the Configuration Display).
- Unit of measurement. Shows the unit of the variable. (9) Units can be changed in the configuration monitor (> 7.7.1 Specification for the Configuration Display).
- (10) Config. Press the assigned key to reach the configuration display. Here you can change the variables and unit of measurement (> 7.7 Configuration Display).
- Statistics. Press the assigned key to reach the statistics (11)display, where you can view the minimum, maximum and average values for the individual variables (> 7.8 Statistics Display).
- (12) Reading. Shows the actual measured value.
- Next. Use the assigned key to move between the four (13)numerical displays.
- (14)Menu. Press the assigned key to reach the menu display. You can access the gas type, volume trigger, calibrations, language and system info from the menu.

7.7 Configuration Display

The numerical displays can be configured in the four configuration displays. Here you can change the variables and corresponding units of measurement for all four numerical displays.



- 7.7.1 Specification for the (1) Configuration Display
 - Number of configuration display. You can switch between four different configuration displays. The number of the configuration display corresponds with the number of the numerical display.
 - (2) The measured variable currently shown on the numerical display (> 15 Appendix B: Values and Units). You can highlight any value in the display by pressing the arrow keys. A red LED alerts you to the corresponding mechanical connection.
 - (3) The unit of measurement used to for the variable in the numerical display (> 15 Appendix B: Values and Units).
 - (4) Change. This key switches you to edit mode so that you can change the corresponding variable or unit of measurement. Press Save to save the new value.
 - (5) **Next**. Use this key to switch from one of the four configuration displays to the next.
 - (6) **Numerical**. Press this key to exit the configuration display. The numerical display returns.

7.8 Statistics Display

The four statistics displays show the current readings, minimum, maximum and mean values for the measured variables. The variables in the statistics display correspond with the variables in the numerical display.



- 7.8.1 Specification of the Statistics Display
- (1) Number of the statistics display. You can switch between four different statistics displays. The number of the statistics display corresponds with the number of the numerical display.
- Measured variable. Shows the measured variable.
 Variables can be changed in the configuration monitor (> 7.7.1 Specification for the Configuration Display).
- (3) **Current reading.** Shows the actual measured value using the same units as in the numerical display.
- (4) Min. This value shows the lowest value measured since the last reset.
- (5) **Max**. This value shows the highest value measured since the last reset.
- (6) Mean. This value shows the arithmetic average of all values measured since the last reset. After one minute a moving average of one minute is displayed.
- (7) Reset. Press this key to reset the statistical values to zero. Simultaneously, all respiratory parameters will be set to "no Tr".
- (8) Next. Use this key to switch from one of the four statistics displays to the next.
- (9) **Numerical**. Press this key to exit the statistics display. The numerical display returns.
- (10) Store. Press this key to save measurement parameters.

In the statistic display the same units are being used as defined in the numeric display!

- **7.9 Menu Display** The following parameters can be viewed and changed in the menu display:
 - Calibrations
 - Gas type and standard
 - Volume trigger
 - Language
 - HW Activation
 - System information



7.9.1 Specification of the Menu Display (1) Calibrations. The oxygen sensor as well as all pressure and flow sensors and the *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703* can be calibrated from this submenu. The offset calibration for pressure and flow can also be started by pressing the *Zero!* button.

- (2) **Gas type/Standard**. The gas type and standard can be specified in this submenu.
- (3) The settings in the **Trigger** submenu are used to measure the respiratory values. By choosing different respiration modes standard triggers can be selected.
- (4) By selecting a **Filter** the displayed values of the Screen can be averaged over a certain time.
- (5) Language. Select the desired language here.
- (6) In the HW Activation submenu you can see if the USB port or the communication to the OR-703 multi gas sensor is enabled.
 If the *FlowLab[™]* software or the integration of the gas sensor was ordered at a later date, you will need to enter a clearance code before a connection can be made.

(7) System info contains information on the software and hardware versions, as well as data of the last factory calibration.

Pressing the keys 2 and 3 simultaneously will hide all menu content that impacts the measurements. This avoids unwanted changes of the settings.

- (8) Factory Default button gives you the option or resetting your *FlowAnalyser*[™] to the original delivery settings.
- (9) **Back** always brings you one level back. In this screen it will bring you to the numerical values.
- (10) **Zero!** Starts an offset calibration for the pressure and flow sensors.

Attention: During this "fast calibration" no warnings are displayed and the screen will change at the end automatically to the numerical values.

- (11) **Select**. Press this key to open the selected submenu.
- (12) **Numerical**. Press this key to exit the menu display. The numerical display returns.
- (13) **Data Storage**. Measurement parameters can be saved and viewed.

7.10 Data Storage Capabilities

10 records each containing up to 16 measurement values can be stored directly on the FlowAnalyser. The selected gas standard and gas type are automatically stored in the data record.

7.10.1 Storing Data

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- 1. Enter the **Statistics** display (>7.8 Statistics Display)
- 2. Press Store to save the displayed measurement values

Step 2

Data Stora	ge		
Action : Data No:		Store B	
Back	Store	Change	Numerical

- 1. Select the data no. you would like to store the measurement values under
- 2. Press Store

Warning: If a record is already saved under the number you have selected, the new data will automatically replace the old data.

7.10.2 Retrieving Data

Step 1



1. Enter the **Menu** display and select **Data Storage** (>7.9 Menu Display)

Step 2

Data Stora	ge		
Action : Data No:		<mark>View</mark> 1	
Back	View	Change	Numerical

- 1. Select the Data No. you would like to view
- 2. Press View

Step 3

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Back	Previous Next	Numerical

 Scroll through the four pages of your selected data number by pressing **Previous** and **Next**. Once you have viewed all four pages of the selected data number, the first page of the next data number will automatically appear.
7.10.3 Erasing Data

Step 1



1. Enter the **Menu** display and select **Data Storage** (>7.9 Menu Display)

Step 2

Data Storage	
Action :	Erase all
Back Erase	all Change Numerical

1. Under Action select Erase All



7.11 Calibrations

All the pressure and flow sensors, the oxygen sensor and the *MultiGasAnalyser*[™] *OR-703* can be calibrated in this submenu.



7.11.1 Calibrating the Pressure and Flow Sensors

These calibrations are required if a value other than zero is displayed for differential pressure, high pressure or flow, although no connections have been made. This can happen during extreme fluctuations in temperature.

Calibration will reset all values to zero.

For a short time after turning on the instrument some displays may vary slightly from Zero until the optimal operating temperature is reached (10 to 15 Min).

Therefore zero calibrations must not be performed, as long the instrument is cold.

During a zero calibration it is important that no pressure or flow is applied to any connector!

Attention: When performing the offset calibration using Zero! these warnings are not displayed on the display.

7.11.2 Calibrating the Oxygen Sensor

The oxygen sensor consists of an electrochemical cell and has to be recalibrated from time to time as a result of aging.



When you start the calibration 100% oxygen and then ambient air must be applied, as instructed by the device. During both steps it is essential that enough of each gas flows through the main measuring channel for a sufficient duration.

The calibration takes 75 seconds for each gas. The optimal flow is 20 to 30 l/min and may not be changed during the calibration process.

If you make any changes to the measuring screen of the High flow or Low flow channel, flow measurement will have to be recalibrated. Recalibration can only be carried by the manufacturer or an authorized metrology station.

7.11.3 Calibrating the MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703 Please refer to the special chapter regarding the *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703* (>9 *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703*).

7.12 Gas Type and Standard Depending on the gas to be measured, you will first have to set the appropriate gas type on the *FlowAnalyser*[™].

Select from the following gas types:

- Air (100%)
- Air/O₂-Man. (Air O₂ Mixture according to manual input. Standard value is 100% O₂)
- Air/O₂ Auto. (Air O₂ Mixture according to sensor reading of the internal Mixture cell).
- N₂O/O₂-Man.(Nitrous oxide–O₂ Mixture according to manual input. Standard value is 100% O₂)
- N₂O/O₂-Auto.(Nitrous oxide-O₂ Mixture according to sensor reading of the internal Mixture cell)
- Heliox (21% O₂)
- He/O₂-Man.(Helium-O₂ Mixture according to manual input. Standard value is 100% O₂)
- He/O₂-Auto (Helium-O₂ Mixture according to sensor reading of the internal Mixture cell)
- N₂O (100%)
- CO₂ (100%)

Press **Change** to switch between the various options, and select the value with **Save**. When using **O_2-Man** the O_2 Concentration can be changed in the same manner.

Standard conditions are specific conditions for pressure, temperature and sometimes humidity as well, which form the basis for ascertaining the actual measured flow. It is therefore essential that you check precisely which standard condition the displayed value is based on!

The currently selected standard is shown in the numerical display (> 5.2 Standard Conditions for Flow Measurement).

If you press *Change* you will see a plus and minus, which you can use to switch between the different options. Select the value with *Save*.

Selecting the wrong gas type or wrong gas standard can lead to measurement inaccuracies of up to 20%.

7.13 Setting the Volume Trigger

Volume calculations are started and stopped by means of a trigger. The volume trigger can be set to start and stop according to flow or pressure in the High flow channel (> 10 Measuring Respiratory Coefficients).

7.13.1 Selection of Ventilation Mode Over the selection of the ventilation mode you can adjust reasonable standard trigger values for each mode. Using these standard triggers 90% of all measuring tasks can be performed.



You can choose out of the following Ventilation modes:

- Pediatric Ventilation (The flow measurement will be taken on the Low Flow Channel where as the pressure is measured on the connector for differential pressure Pdiff)
- Adult Ventilation (Measurements in the High Flow Channel.)
- High Frequency Ventilation (Measurements in the High Flow Channel.)

7.13.2 Standard Trigger

Each Ventilation Mode is related to a set of standard triggers. By pressing **Reset** you can always come back to these standards.

Standard Trigger for Pediatric Ventilation:



Attention: The measurements in the pediatric mode are taken in the Low Flow Channel. The appropriate pressure values have to be measured on the Pdiff connector. This is why the Pdiff has to be connected to the flow channel using a T-connector.

If the trigger mode is set to pediatric, a pressure compensation for Low Flow Channel is activated automatically.

Standard Trigger for Adult Ventilation:



Standard Trigger for High Frequency Ventilation:

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7.13.3 Detailed Trigger Settings

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- Flow channel. Here you can change the measuring channel (HF = High Flow; LF = Low Flow). Further on you can decide whether the internal values (Flow or Pressure) are used to detect a trigger or whether an external trigger shall be used (> 7.13.4 Usage of an External Volume Trigger).
- (2) **Variable** used for the start and stop triggers. You can select either pressure or flow in the High flow channel.
- (3) Trigger edge
 > Positive edge (rising curve)
 < Negative edge (falling curve)
- (4) Trigger level. If this level is passed, volume measurement will start or stop. The level must be in the range of -250...250 lpm (HF channel) or -15...15 lpm (LF channel)
- (5) **Unit of measurement** for the selected start and stop trigger variable.
- (6) Reset. Press the assigned reset key to load the default values for the volume trigger. Most volumes can be measured with these settings
 (> 10.3 Standard Trigger Values).
- (7) Baseflow. Here you can switch the baseflow on and off. The baseflow is a constant flow which should not be included in the calculation. If this function has been selected, a corresponding symbol appears in the display (> 7.6 Numerical Display).
- (8) Change. This key takes you to edit mode, where you can change the corresponding variable.
- (9) The **Delay** prevents that a single spot will release a trigger. If the appropriate trigger level is not maintained for the duration of the selected delay the trigger will not be accepted.

High Frequency mode uses as standard a short delay!

(10) **Numerical**. Press this key to exit the statistics display. The numerical display returns. 7.13.4 Usage of an External Volume Trigger



- (1) **External.** An external trigger signal is used to calculate the volume (> 6.4.4 External Trigger).
- (2) **Start.** Specify whether volume measurement should take place upon a rising or falling edge in the signal.
- (3) Reset. Press the assigned reset key to load the default values for the volume trigger. Most volumes can be measured with these settings.
- (4) Baseflow. Here you can specify the baseflow. The baseflow is a constant flow which should not be included in the calculation. If this function has been selected, a corresponding symbol appears in the display (> 7.6 Numerical Display).
- (5) **Change**. This key takes you to edit mode, where you can change the corresponding variable.
- (6) The **Delay** prevents that a single spot will release a trigger.
- (7) **Numerical**. Press this key to exit the statistics display. The numerical display returns.

7.14 Filter The display of the *FlowAnalyserTM* is updated every 500ms or in other words twice a second. The acquisition of new measuring values takes place every 5ms. Without using a filter the latest measured value will be displayed when updating the screen.

Since each measurement is showing some noise it makes sense to average the values over a certain period of time. This is the meaning of the filter function.

You can select one of the following filters:

- None (Display of the latest measured value without thresholds)
- Low (Mean value over 240ms)
- Medium (Mean value over 480ms)
- High (Mean value over 960ms)

The standard filter is Medium. Press *Change* and scroll through the different filters using the arrow keys. Press *Save* to save the selected filter.

The filter function does only impact the values displayed on the screen of the FlowAnalyser.

The $FlowLab^{TM}$ Software does always show the raw, unfiltered values.

7.15 Setting the Language	The display can be set to a number of languages. The available languages are continuously being revised and updated.
	Press Change and scroll through the different languages using the arrow keys. Press Save to save the selected value.
7.16 HW Activation	In the submenu HW Activation you can see if the USB port or the communication to the <i>MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703</i> is enabled. If the <i>FlowLabTM</i> software or the integration of the gas sensor was added later, you will have to enter a clearance code, before you can use the optional feature.



To enter the code press **Release**. Various numbers then appear, which can be selected with the arrow keys. Using **Change** you can set each individual number to the correct value, and then save it with **Save**.

Once all digits have been adjusted press **Set PW** to save the code. **Enabled** will appear on the screen if the code entered was correct. Please enter the code with right justification, and leave the remaining positions as 0.

The following information can be found here:

- Software version
- Hardware version
- Date of last factory calibration
- Serial number of device



In the **System Info** Menu it is possible to make invisible all menu options that contain settings which have an impact on the measurements. This avoids unwanted changes, e.g. when used in a production line.

Press the keys 2 and 3 simultaneously while the *System Info* menu is active to make the options invisible.



Enter *System Info* again and press the keys 2 and 3 simultaneously to get back all menu options visible.

7.17 Accessing System Info

7.18 Invisible Menu Options

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7.19 Factory Defaults



The Factory Defaults setting allows you to re-set your *FlowAnalyser*[™] settings to the delivered, neutral settings.

Please note: the new settings can only be activated by turning off and re-starting your *FlowAnalyser*TM equipment.

8 *FlowLab[™]* Software

8.1	Installation	Check that your computer meets all minimum requirements before installation (> 5.7 Minimum PC Requirements). Please observe the software instructions during the installation process.
8.2	USB Communication	If your device was not configured to use <i>FlowLab</i> TM software in the factory, you will need to do this afterwards by entering a clearance code for the USB interface. This code can be obtained from your <i>FlowAnalyser</i> TM dealer (> 7.16 HW Activation).
8.3	Overview	FlowLab TM software is divided into three areas: panels, numerics and trending. Select the required area from the icons on the left- hand side of the FlowLab TM window. The three areas will be described in the following chapters.

8.4 Options

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In the **Tools / Options** menu you can set the same settings as in Menu of the *FlowAnalyserTM: Language*, gas *Standardisation, Gas type* and volume *Triggers*. (> 7.9 Menu Display).



Additionally you can find the setting **Performance** where you can change the update rate for your monitor and the configuration area for **Reports**. (> 8.8 Reporting).

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8.5 Panels



A maximum of 6 readings can be graphically displayed here. All related settings can be made in the **Configuration** menu.

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Whenever you select a variable the corresponding mechanical connection is highlighted in the box on the right-hand side, and the range is shown below.

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- (1) Value. Measured variable and its unit of measurement.
- (2) Grid. A grid can be displayed.
- (3) Line color and it's type can be chosen.
- (4) **Curve type**. The curve can be chosen in function of the time or as loop. For the display of a loop two values have to be selected, one for the x-axis and one for the y-axis.
- (5) **Title/Background color**. Each chart can here be identified by title. The back color of the chart can be changed.

8.5.2 Curve Trigger

The menu *curve trigger* is relates to the graphical display of the curves.

If the curve shall be displayed as Norm- or Single Shot Curve, curve triggers are needed to start the display.

Do not confuse this trigger with the volume trigger, which calculates volumes and respiratory coefficients (> 7.13 Setting the Volume Trigger).



- (1) **Trigger source.** Here you can choose the curve which shall be adjusted below.
- (2) Trigger type. Here you can choose the type of the trigger. This setting stays the same for all curves. There are three different types:
 - Auto: This always displays the updated curve. No curve triggers are needed!
 - **Norm**: This displays a static curve, which is updated with each new trigger.
 - Single Shot: Use this function to capture a single curve. The trigger has to be activated manually.
- (3) **Trigger level.** The curve starts to be displayed when the measured value passes this level.
- (4) Pretrigger. If a certain period of the curve has to be displayed prior the effective trigger point this can be adjusted here.
- (5) **Edge** for the trigger.

8.5.3 Cursors If you wish to look at a curve in more detail, this can easily be done with the cursors provided. Altogether there are 4 different styles of cursor:

Value Y	Displays the Y value at the point where the cursor is intersected.
Period	Displays the time period between two cursors.
Frequency	Displays the frequency between two cursors.
Peak - Peak	Displays the Y value between two cursors.



- Global Cursor. By choosing one of the 4 corresponding icons you can select a cursor to apply to all displayed curves in the corresponding style.
- (2) Individual Curser. It is also possible to apply a cursor only for one curve. If you right-click the cursor, a menu pops up where you can change the style of the cursor.
- (3) Curve. If two curves are displayed simultaneously in one panel, you can click the corresponding curve title to select the curve relating to the cursor.

8.6 Numerics In this area the data are numerically displayed. The statistical values for each variable can also be seen here, i.e. the mean value, and the smallest and largest value since the last reset. Further it's possible to check the tolerance of each measurement. If the measured value is fitting to the predefined accepted measurement range, the software will mark the value with:

The general sensor variables are in the top section and the respiratory parameters in the bottom section.

The overall appearance of the Numerics display can also be adjusted to individual requirements in the **Configuration** menu.

In the columns **Setpoint, Limit Lo** and **Limit Hi** you can set the conditions for the automatic check of the measurements.

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8.7 Trending

8.7.1 Configuration

In this area measurements can be recorded within a specific time range. Select the **Configuration** menu to start a specific trending recording.



- (1) In the field Measured Variables you can define the variables and units of measurement to be recorded. You can also select the color of the graphical display. The corresponding mechanical connection and possible measurement range can be found in the box at the top right-hand section of the display.
- (2) In the field **Recording duration** you can specify the length of the data recording. The range goes from 1 minute to 100 hours.
- (3) The field Recording interval defines how often data should be recorded. Select from a range of 0.1 seconds to 60 minutes.
- (4) In the field Memory resources you can check the expected file size and required working memory.
- (5) In the **Time axis** field you can select the unit of measurement which applies to the x-axis.
- (6) In the **File name** field you can specify the file name and storage location.

Depending on the recording time and interval very large files can be produced which can cause problems with the computer.

Under normal circumstances we recommend a maximum file size of 1 MB.

- (7) The section File enables you can to enter a title, which will be displayed above the trending curves. Descriptive notes will be copied to the trending file but are not shown in the *Display* section.
- (8) Once the *Start* button is pressed, the data are captured as defined and displayed online.

Two files will be generated: The *.log file is containing all measurements and can be used by Excel or other data base systems. The *.cfg file contains the information for *FlowLab*TM to be able to reopen the trending files.

You can follow the data acquisition in the Display menu.



In the *Display* view the curves can be visualized and analyzed. You can use the same zooming functions and cursors as with the *Panels*.

By pressing *load trend* you can load another trending file which has been produced earlier.

8.7.2 Display

8.8 Reporting

The reporting function is to print out your measurements in a sheet which includes the measured numerical data, the curves, the company's data and descriptions.

8.8.1 Configuration

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- In the *Reporting Options* area you can select whether numerical data and/or curves shall be printed in the report.
- (2) In the *Test Equipment* area you see all information regarding the connected *FlowAnalyser[™]*. The data is automatically loaded from the device.
- (3) In the *Test Center* field you can edit the company's data and there is also the possibility to load your company's logo to be shown in the report.
- (4) Use the *Test Object* area to edit the information about the test object, such as place of test, tested instrument or serial number of the instrument under test. Further you can define to print a unique ID number in the footer of the report.
- (5) With the *Preview Actual Data Report* button an actual data report can be produced, which displays the actual numerical data and curves.

On the preview screen you have access to the printing options as well as to page layout and save settings options.

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8.9 Gas Calculator

The gas calculator enables users to configure a mixture of varying gas fractions for flow and volume measurements. Users can select the ratio of standard gases as well as the ratio and physical characteristics of customized gases.



- (1) Customized gases (user-defined)
- (2) Ratio of the total gas volume
- (3) Physical characteristics (entered by the user)
- (4) Total gas mixture
- (5) Balance Gas (The ratio of the balance gas is automatically calculated. The sum of the ratios must be 100%.)

8.10 FlowLab[™] Settings

In the header toolbar menu listing under **File** the **Load FlowLab Settings...** and **Save FlowLab Settings** options allows users to save and load user-defined settings.

The following settings can be saved using this important menu function:

- Panels
- Numerics
- Trending
- Reports

The settings are then saved as an *.ini File.

9 MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703

9.1 Description

The *MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703* head comprises a stateof-the-art ten-channel non-dispersive infrared (NDIR) gas bench, a barometric pressure sensor, a power regulator, a CPU and an RS-232 digital interface.

The sensor measures concentrations of

- Carbon dioxide Dioxide (CO₂),
- Nitrous oxide Oxide (N₂O),
- Halothane (HAL),
- Enflurane (ENF),
- Isoflurane (ISO),
- Sevoflurane (SEV),
- Desflurane (DES)

At the same time you can measure CO_2 , N_2O and one of the five narcotic agents.

The *MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703* is intended to be connected to the *FlowAnalyser[™]* for gas measurements in order to calibrate or test anaesthetic systems.

It is **not** intended to be used in means of monitoring a patient.

It is **not** intended to be used in outdoor transport applications, such as in cars or in aircrafts.

9.3 Warnings

9.2 Intended use

The *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703* is intended for use by professionally trained personnel only.

The *MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703* must not be used with flammable anaesthetic agents.

Used disposable airway adapters shall be disposed of in accordance with local regulations for contaminated and biologically fluids.

Measurements can be affected by mobile and RF communications equipment.

It should be assured that the *MultiGasAnalyser* is used in the electromagnetic environment specified.

9.4 Design and theory



The *MultiGasAnalyserTM OR-703* consists of an OR-sensor head (1), an oxygen sensor cell (optional) (2) an airway adapter (3) and an adapting cable (4).

The OR sensor head snaps in place on the top of the airway adapter that includes the optical components for measuring all gases.

As all necessary calibration constants are stored within each sensor head, the probes can be replaced without the need for recalibration.

The measurement of CO_2 , N_2O and anaesthetic agents in the gas mixture is based on the fact that the different gas components absorb infrared light at specific wavelengths. The gas measurements are obtained by continuously measuring the infrared gas absorption in the gas flow through the adapter.



To measure the concentrations and identify the gases, absorption of up to ten different wavelengths of infrared light is measured.

9.5 How to connect

Plug the OR sensor via adapter cable into the RS-232 input of the *FlowAnalyser*TM and switch the power on. Only use the adapter cable provided by *imtmedical ag*.



Snap the OR sensor head on top of the OR airway adapter. It will click into place when properly seated. Wait for 15 Minutes until measurements are taken, the sensor needs to warm up.



A green LED indicates that the OR sensor is ready for use.



The above message will appear to show that connection has been established successfully. By selecting **Details** all technical information regarding the sensor will be displayed.

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Always position the OR-sensor with the LED pointing upwards.

Place the *MultiGasAnalyser[™]* between gas source and *FlowAnalyser[™]*.

According to flow direction through $FlowAnalyser^{TM}$ the *MultiGasAnalyser*TM can be connected on front or back airway connector of $FlowAnalyser^{TM}$.

9.6 LED Signal The LED situated on the *MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703* sensor head is used to signal the following conditions:

Steady green light	System OK
Steady blue light	Anesthetic agent present
Steady red light	Sensor error
Blinking red light	Check adapter

9.7 Calibration of Sensor head A room air calibration of the IR measurement should be performed at regular intervals as well as after replacing the airway adapter.

The need for a room air calibration is indicated by the 'permanent' alarm message *Room air calibration of OR required!* being displayed on the monitor (message disappears after calibration).

Room air calibration may also be performed if an offset in gas readings should be discovered when verifying gas readings with a reference instrument. The calibration is performed by snapping a new OR airway adapter onto the OR sensor, without connecting the airway adapter to the airway circuit, and then start the calibration procedure in the menu options of the *FlowAnalyser*TM (>7.11.3 Calibrating the *MultiGasAnalyser*TM OR-703). It will click into place when properly seated. Wait for 15 Minutes before continuing, the sensor needs to warm up.



Special care should be taken to avoid breathing into the adapter during the calibration procedure. The presence of ambient air (21% O_2 and 0% CO_2) in the OR airway adapter is of crucial importance for a successful room air calibration.



Always perform a pre-use check after performing a calibration.

9.8 Preventive maintenance The sensor can be cleaned using a cloth moistened with ethanol or isopropyl alcohol.

Gas readings should be verified at regular intervals with a reference instrument. *imtmedical ag* is offering a service for recertification the measurements of the sensor

9.9 Specifications <i>MultiGasAnalyser[™] OR-703</i>				
Physical Data	Dimensions (W x D x H)	37 x 27 x 25 mm		
		1.45 x 1.1 x 0.9 inches		
	Weight	<30 g (cable excluded)		
	Cable length	2.50 m ±0.02		
Environmental Data	Operating temperature	10–40°C, 50–95°F		
	Storage temperature	–20–50°C, –4–122°F		
	Operating humidity	10–95% RH, non-condensing		
	Storage humidity	5–100% RH, condensing		
	Operating atmospheric	700-1200 hPa (700 hPa corresponding		
	pressure	to an altitude of 3048 m)		
Accuracy specifications	Gas	Range	Inaccuracy	
	CO ₂	0–10%	±8 % of reading or ±0.3 % ABS	
	N ₂ O	0–100%	±8 % of reading or ±2 % ABS	
	HAL, ISO, ENF	0–5%	±8 % of reading or ±0.15 % ABS	
	SEV	0-8%	±8 % of reading or ±0.15 % ABS	
	DES	0–18%	±8 % of reading or ±0.15 % ABS	
Rise time (@ 10 I/min)	CO ₂ < 60 ms			
	N ₂ O, Hal, Iso, Enf, Sev, Des < 150ms			
Monitoring	Numerical Data and Real-time Waveform with <i>FlowLabTM</i> Software			

10 Measuring Respiratory Coefficients

10.1 General

To be able to measure respiratory coefficients the **FlowAnalyser**TM has to be able to pick out a respiratory cycle from the pressure and/or flow curves. The triggers are controlling this.



It is therefore essential that the start and stop triggers are correctly defined, as they have a significant effect on the resulting measurements.

General volume triggers are used to trigger a respiratory cycle (> 7.13 Setting the Volume Trigger).

It is therefore very important that the volume triggers are set correctly before starting to measure the respiratory coefficients.

The start trigger is defined as the start of the inspiration phase.

The stop trigger is defined as the end of the inspiration phase and start of the expiration phase.

Expiration continues until the next start trigger appears.

10.2 Connection to the Ventilator

There are three different ways to connect the *FlowAnalyser*[™] to the ventilator:

A. After the Y-piece



B. In the inspiration channel before the Y-piece



C. In the expiration channel before the Y-piece



10.3 Standard Trigger Values

As the *FlowAnalyser*TM can measure flows in both directions, connection A would seem to be the best option. With this configuration the flow is usually selected as trigger variable. The standard trigger values for the flow trigger are:

- Start trigger: Flow > 3 l/min
- End trigger: Flow < -3 l/min

Further standard triggers you will find in the chapter Operation: (> 7.13.2 Standard Trigger)

Pressure is usually used as the trigger signal for connections B and C. In this case the standard values are as follows:

- Start trigger: Pressure > 1 mbar
- End trigger: Pressure < 1 mbar

10.4 Baseflow Baseflow refers to a constant base flow that is not included in the volume calculation.

For example, if there is a definite leak in the system, which constantly loses 3 I/min air, these 3 I/min are not part of the inspiration volume. By entering

Baseflow: On 3.0 l/min

The volume calculation can be corrected for this example.

10.5 Finding the Correct Trigger ValuesThe first time you have to set a trigger you need to know the curve pattern of the signal used for the trigger (flow or pressure). We therefore advise that you observe this curve first with the *FlowLab*[™] software. On the graph it is then very easy to see where the triggers should be set.

Below are a few examples to illustrate possible problems.

10.5.1 Flow curve after Y-Piece 0.00 0.50 1.00 1.50 2.00 Time [s]

This example shows a normal flow curve. Standard triggers (> 3 I/min / < -3 I/min) can be used here without any difficulty.

In this situation you must ensure that the trigger is set well above the noise in the base line, as this may trigger false readings.





This curve shows the flow curve in the inspiration channel before the Y-piece. The first two circles mark the triggers that should be used here.

The figure above shows another little false signal at this measuring point after inspiration. This was due to the valves switching over and caused a false trigger!

Warning: Flow may not be used as the trigger in this instance – the pressure curve should be used (>10.5.3 Pressure curve before Y-Piece).

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10.5.3 Pressure curve before Y-Piece



The standard triggers can again be used for the pressure curve: (> 1 mbar / < 1 mbar).

However, please ensure here as well that the trigger is set well above the noise of the base line. If not the value must be raised.

Please note that it is very easy to work out where the trigger should be set by using the cursor in the *FlowLab***TM** software (>8.5.3 Cursors).

10.6 Special situations The use of a standard trigger threshold enables the acquisition of very good calculated data, usually of higher accuracy than the ones calculated by today's ventilators. More accurate calculated data may indeed be obtained by setting different trigger thresholds.

If the values of the *FlowAnalyser*TM have to be compared to the values of a ventilator it is important to know exactly how the requested value is measured or calculated in the ventilator.

10.6.1 Inspiration Volume Vti When the ventilation cycle reaches a plateau or a pause, the inspiration flow is technically zero, however, a very small flow could remain and be measured and integrated. Most current ventilators do not count this flow into the volume calculation.

By adapting the trigger settings as described below, one can set the *FlowAnalyser*TM to disregard these measurements:



10.6.2 Expiration Volume Vte

A similar situation could arise while measuring Vte:



11 Care and Maintenance

 11.1 Guidelines for Care and Maintenance
 Maintenance work must be carried out with care and according to regulations to ensure that the *FlowAnalyser*[™] functions safely and effectively. Only use manufacturer's recommended parts (>12.4 Spare Parts).

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11.3 Preventative Cleaning and Maintenance Routines

To guarantee the maximum long-term precision and reliability of your device, the following maintenance routines must be carried out at regular intervals:

During operation:

Always use the protection filter on both channels.

Every four weeks

 Check the protection filter for permeability. This has to be measured as a pressure drop across the filter. Install a Tconnector on each input and output of the filter and connect each to the differential pressure port while applying a flow of 60 l/min. The filter must be changed if the pressure drop is greater than 2 mbar.

Every 12 months:

 Factory calibration to ensure accurate and reliable measuring.
11.3.1 Replacing the Measuring Screen

11.3.2 Replacing the Oxygen To replace the oxygen sensor the lid must be removed: Sensor

When the measuring screens are replaced flow measurement will require subsequent recalibration. This can only be carried out by the manufacturer or authorized metrology laboratories.

Using an appropriate tool release screws 1 and 2 which hold the lid on.



Push the lid carefully forward.

Lift the cover up.



The oxygen sensor is located inside the analyzer.

- 1. Remove the plug from the oxygen sensor.
- 2. Take out the oxygen sensor by turning counter clockwise.
- 3. Turn the new oxygen sensor clockwise to insert it into the block and reconnect the plug.



- 4. Replace the lid.
- 5. Calibrate O_2 Sensor (> 7.11.2 Calibrating the Oxygen Sensor)

11.3.3 Replacing the Fuses

To replace the fuses you need to remove the back plate:



Using an appropriate tool release screws 1 - 6 which hold the back plate on.

Pull the back plate off.



Both fuses are located on the printed circuit board inside the $FlowAnalyser^{TM}$.

- 1. Unplug the battery.
- 2. Remove the faulty fuse.
- 3. Insert the new fuse.



- (F1) 1.25 A F (external feed 18V)
- (F2) 1.25 A F (internal feed 12V)

Only use manufacturer's recommended parts (>12 Accessories and Spare Parts).

4. Replace the back plate.

Please direct any queries or problems to one of the addresses below.

11.4.1 Manufacturer's
Addressimtmedical ag
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Fax: +41 (0)81 750 66 95
E-Mail: sales@imtmedical.com11.4.2 Technical SupportTel: +41 (0)81 750 66 99
Fax: +41 (0)81 750 66 99
Fax: +41 (0)81 750 66 95
E-Mail: techsupport@imtmedical.com

11.4 Contacts

12 Accessories and Spare Parts

12.1	Address for	imtmedical ag	
	Ordering	Gewerbestrasse 8	
		CH-9470 Buchs Switzerland	
		Tel: +41 (0)81 750 66 99	
		Fax: +41 (0)81 750 66 95	
122	Available Models	Article	Order number
12.2	Available woulds	FlowAnalyser [™] PF-300	300.116.000
		FlowAnalyser [™] PF-301 VAC	300.116.001
		FlowAnalyser [™] PF-302 LOW	300.116.002
123	Ontions	Article	Order number
12.5	Options	<i>FlowLab</i> [™] Software	900.015.000
		MultiGasAnalyser [™] OR-703	500.041.000
		SmartLung [™] Adult	300.162.000
		SmartLung [™] Infant	300.400.004
		Trigger Module T20 [™]	300.746.000
		<i>FlowAnalyser</i> [™] Adapter Set	300.548.000
		Down load cable RS 232	400.006.000
		High Pressure Adapter DISS O ₂	500.030.000
12.4	Spare Parts	Article	Order number
		Filter Pall	100.127.000
		Oxygen sensor	200.050.000
		Fuse (1.25 A F)	200.030.004
		Lead acid battery 12 VDC 1.2 A	200.034.000
		USB-Cable 1.8 m	200.051.000
		Power supply 100-240 VAC	300.789.000
		Power cord Europe	200.055.000
		Power cord England	200.055.001
		Power cord USA	200.055.002
		User Manual German	800.022.000
		User Manual English	800.022.001
		User Manual French	800.022.002
		Cardboard box for shipping	400.060.000
		OR Airway Adapter	300.160.000

13 Disposal

The operator is responsible for the disposal of the device. The operator must either

- Deliver the device, free of charge and duty paid, to the manufacturer for disposal or
- Surrender the device to a licensed private or public collection company or
- Professionally dismantle the component parts and recycle them/dispose of them properly.

Where an operator chooses to dispose of the device himself, the disposal regulations are specified for each country and laid down in the appropriate laws and regulations. Please consult the responsible authorities for instructions on what is required.

With this in mind, all waste is to be recycled or disposed of...

- Without any risk to human health
- Without employing procedures or methods which cause damage to the environment - in particular water, air, earth, flora and fauna
- Without causing any noise or odor nuisance
- Without detriment to the surroundings or landscape.

14 Appendix A: Abbreviations and Glossary			
Α	-		
A	Ampere		
AC	Alternating current		
ASB	Ampere slow blow		
В			
bar	1 bar = 14.50 psi		
Baseflow	The baseflow is a constant flow which should not be included in the volume calculation.		
С			
°C	Degrees Celsius		
	Conversion to Celsius (C) from Fahrenheit (F):		
0-1-1	$F = 9^{*}C/5 + 32$		
Cstat	Statistical compliance		
D			
dBA	Decibels measured with A filter		
	Direct current		
	Deutsche Industrienorm (German Industrial Standards)		
DAG			
E			
EMC	Electro magnetic compliance		
_ F			
°F	Degrees Fahrenheit		
	Conversion to Fahrenheit (F) from Celsius (C): $C = (E 20)^{45}$		
	C = (F-32) 5/9 Connection lack for external Trigger (P L 'Pegistered lack'		
1 CC RJ-10	telephone connection interfaces registered with the ECC the		
	U.S. Federal Communications Commission)		
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G	Cround		
GND	Ground		
<u>H</u>	1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1		
HZ H	Here $(I \square Z = I S)$		
HE	High Frequency		
111			
	nigh riequency		
<u> </u>	nigh riequency		
I IP I'F	Protection class according to standard Breath time ratio inspiration to expiration		
I IP I:E	Protection class according to standard Breath time ratio, inspiration to expiration		
I IP I:E L	Protection class according to standard Breath time ratio, inspiration to expiration		
I IP I:E L I Ibs	Protection class according to standard Breath time ratio, inspiration to expiration		
I IP I:E L I Ibs LED	Protection class according to standard Breath time ratio, inspiration to expiration		

м	
Max, max	Maximum
mbar	Millibar (1 mbar = 10 ⁻³ bar)
Min	Minute
Min, min	Minimum
mm	Millimeter (1 mm = 10^{-3} m)
ml	Milliliter (1 ml = 10 ^{-3} l)
Р	
ppm	Parts per million (1*10 $^{-6}$)
prox.	Proximal
psi	Pressure per square inch (1 bar = 14.50 psi)
Ppeak	Peak pressure
Pmean	Mean pressure
PEEP	Positive End Expiratory Pressure
PF Insp.	Peak flow inspiration
PF Exp.	Peak flow expiration
Pplateau	Plateau pressure at the end of inspiration
R	
r. H.	Relative humidity
RS-232	Serial interface
RJ-10 FCC	Connection Jack for external Trigger (RJ 'Registered Jack',
	telephone connection interfaces, registered with the FCC, the
	U.S. Federal Communications Commission)
S	
sl/min	Standard liter per minute (calculated using ambient conditions of
т	0°C and 1013 mbar)
Ti/TCycle	Ratio Inspiration time : Breath cycle time
V	
V	Volt
VA	Apparent power consumption of device
VAC	Volt Alternating Current
VDC	Volt Direct Current
um	Micrometer (1 μ m = 10 ⁻⁶ m)
μιι	

15 Appendix B: Values and Units

15.1	Pressure	Value	Description	Units
		Atmospheric pressure	P Atmo.	
		Pressure high	P High	mbar, bar, inH ₂ O, cmH ₂ O,
		Pressure in High Flow	P (HF)	kPa
		Differential pressure	P Diff.	
15.2	Flow	Value	Description	Units
		High flow	Flow H	l/min, ml/min, cfm, l/s, ml/s
		Low flow	Flow L	l/min, ml/min, cfm, l/s, ml/s
15.3	Metrology Values	Value	Description	Units
		Temperature	Temp.	°C, K, °F
		Humidity	Humidity	%
		Oxygen	O ₂	%
		Dew point	Dew Pt	°C, K, °F
		Volume	Vol. (HF)	ml, l, cf
15.4	Gas Concentrations	Value	Description	Units
		Gas concentration	Gas concentration	%
		Partial pressure	Partial pressure	Mbar, bar, inH ₂ 0, cmH ₂ O, psi, Torr, inHg, mmHg, hPa, kPa
15.5	Respiratory Parameters	Value	Description	Units
		Endexpiratoric Pressure	РЕЕР	mbar bar in U.O. am U.O.
		Mean pressure	Pmean	psi, Torr, inHg, mmHg, hPa,
		Peak pressure	Ppeak	kPa
		Plateau pressure	Pplateau	
		Minute volume Expiration	Ve	
		Minute volume Inspiration	Vi >	l/min, ml/min, cfm, l/s, ml/s
		Peak Flow Inspiration	PF Insp.	
		Peak Flow Expiration	PF Exp. ノ	
		Expirations Volume	Vte	ml, l, cf
		Inspiration Volume	Vti	ml, l, cf
		Rate	Rate	b/min

Ratio	I:E	
Expiration time	Те	S
Inspiration time	Ti	S
Compliance	Cstat	Ml/mbar, l/mbar, ml/cmH ₂ 0, ml/cmH ₂ 0

15.6 Conversion Factors

1 mbar	equals	0.001 100 1 0.75006 0.75006 0.75006 0.02953 1.01974 0.40147 0.01450	bar Pa hPa kPa torr (760 torr = 1 atm.) atm mmHg (at 0°C) inHg (at 0°C) cmH_2O (at 4°C) inH_2O (at 4°C) psi, psia
1 bar	equals	1000 0.1 1000 750.06 0.986921 750.06 29.53 1019.74 401.47 14.50	$ \begin{array}{c} \mbox{mbar} \\ \mbox{Pa} \\ \mbox{hPa} \\ \mbox{kPa} \\ \mbox{torr} (760 \mbox{torr} = 1 \mbox{atm.}) \\ \mbox{atm} \\ \mbox{mmHg} & (at 0^{\circ} C) \\ \mbox{inHg} & (at 0^{\circ} C) \\ \mbox{inHg} & (at 4^{\circ} C) \\ \mbox{inH_2O} & (at 4^{\circ} C) \\ \mbox{inH_2O} & (at 4^{\circ} C) \\ \mbox{psi, psia} \\ \end{array} $