Instruction Bulletin Addendum
For Pressure-Balanced
In Situ Oxygen Probes P/N 6A00197G01- G06

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Oxymitter 4000

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Oxymitter probe depicted with pressure balancing system, and optional isolation valving system in the background.
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Pressure Balancing System eliminates pressure-induced biases on an in situ O2 probe. This product option may be utilized with Rosemount Analytical’s Oxymitter 4000/5000 O2 Analyzer and may be used in conjunction with optional Isolation Valving System PR-2000

General

Rosemount Analytical’s line of in situ oxygen analyzers utilize zirconium oxide sensing technology, which is sensitive to pressure variations in the process. The ZrO2 sensing cell develops and EMF O2 relative to content based upon the Nernst Equation:

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EMF = KT \log_{10} \left( \frac{P1}{P2} \right) + C
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where:

- P2 is the partial pressure of oxygen on the flue gas side
- P1 is the partial pressure of oxygen on the reference side
- T is the absolute temperature
- K is a constant
- C is the cell constant.

Rosemount Analytical’s Oxymitter probes place the sensing cell at the end of an in situ probe that inserts directly into the process gas stream. This arrangement provides for fast response and is also very resistant to pluggage from particulate material, or the acids that frequently condense out of normal flue gas.

The ZrO2 sensing technology is sensitive to pressure changes of the process, and one can expect an output change of approximately 1% of reading (not 1% FS, or 1% O2) for every 4 inches of H2O pressure or vacuum in the process. The pressure errors of a few psi can be calibrated out by calibrating the probe in the installed, pressurized condition. However, pressure fluctuations from the calibrated state will induce errors. A better accommodation for pressurized processes is to balance the process pressure with reference air (common instrument air) inside of the oxygen probe (see following page). The sensing cell will have the same pressure on both sides, eliminating any pressure-induced error. Pressure fluctuations in the process will be balanced, maintaining the most accurate O2 reading throughout normal operating conditions.

Rosemount Analytical’s Oxymitter 4000/5000 probes (both hazardous area and general purpose styles) are suitable for pressure balancing. Process pressure is routed to a “balancing relay” via a nitrogen purge system or via the probe’s internal calibration gas line. The balancing relay duplicates the process pressure with instrument air and this is routed to the reference side of the probe (inside of the probe). This pressure balancing system bolts to the probe flange of the probe and gauges are provided so that technicians can confirm proper balancing operation.
UOP preferred arrangement, utilizing \( N_2 \) purge into the process-purge backpressure representing process pressure

**Installation notes for \( N_2 \) Purge Arrangement**

**Install T for \( N_2 \) tap as close to process as possible.**

**Calibration Gas Fitting**
- Capped tight between calibrations
- If autocal system is utilized, or if cal gas lines are permanently installed, use check valve kit, p/n 7307A56G02

**Reference Gas Inlet**
- Piped to pressure/balancing system

**Reference Gas Exhaust**
- Capped, ½ turn open from tight

**Operation Note**
- Set \( N_2 \) pressure regulator to 10 PSI above maximum process pressure
If N2 purge is unavailable, the probe’s calibration gas line may be utilized as the process pressure tap for the Balancing Relay. Ensure that all parts wetted by process gases are well insulated and/or heat traced to prevent condensation.
Integral Pressure Balancing Arrangement- AutoCalibration

- Ambient
- Process
- Calibration Gas Line/Process Tap
- Check Valve
- CG Flowmeter
- Cal Gas (from Autocal system)
- Diffusion Element, and Optional Flame Arrestor
- Reference Air at Process
- Balancing Relay
- Pressure Regulator, set to above max. process
- Instrument Air
- Probe Tube
- Sensing Cell
An optional “isolation valving system” facilitates the insertion and withdrawal of the probe for service while the process is under pressure. This valving system is recommended if the process cannot be shut down for probe maintenance.

**Unpacking**
Probe will be shipped with the pressure-balancing valving option mounted and tested.

**Installation of Pressure Balancing System**

**Reference Air**
Follow standard instructions in the instruction bulletin for the mechanical installation of the probe system. Instrument air is required and must be piped into the pressure regulator provided on the pressure balancing assembly. Set this pressure regulator to 10 psi above the maximum expected process pressure. Reference air exhaust port should be capped loosely, ½ turn open from tight.

**Calibration Gases**
If the probe system will be manually calibrated, ensure that the blocking valve is shut except during calibration. When calibrating, connect bottles to the bottom part of the calibration gas flowmeter and set bottle pressure regulators to 10 PSI above process pressure. If an automatic calibration system will be used, mount the SPS, IMPS or MPS per standard instruction bulletin and pipe calibration gas outlet line to the check valve provided on the probe (per page 3 of the appendix).

If an automatic calibration system will be used, again set the pressure regulator on the calibration gas bottles to 10 PSI above process pressure. Any time the calibration gases will be permanently connected, ensure that a check valve is provided to prevent the migration of process flue gases back down the calibration gas line. To prevent corrosion from condensation of process gases insulate and/or heat trace all process wetted parts; including the probe flange, the calibration gas/process line and balancing relay. If this is an outdoor installation where rain and snow will be present, cover the entire probe electronics to inhibit the cooling effect of precipitation.

**Electrical**
Follow the probe electrical installation instructions in the Instruction Manual. The normal procedures for installing probes into hazardous areas are usually sufficient to maintain pressure inside a probe.

The Oxymitter utilizes an internal bulkhead which isolates the terminations side of the probe from the pressure balancing system. The termination side cover can be removed and the wires disconnected while the system is under pressure. Do not remove the electronics side cover while the process is under pressure, and the pressure balancing system is active.
Note: The pressure balancing system must be connected and operational at all times. If an optional isolation valving system is utilized for inserting or withdrawing the probe while the process is under pressure, the pressure balancing system must be active at all times until the isolation valve is closed. This may require an installation whereby the reference instrument air lines and electrical cables can ride back and forth with the probe. See Instruction Bulletin Addendum for Isolation Valving System, IB ISO2000 for more information. Calibration gas lines may be removed for probe installation or removal.

Start-up and Operation
Pressure Balancing system works automatically. Two pressure gages are provided with the system, and should always read very close to the same pressure. A bias adjustment is provided at the top of the pressure balancing relay. This may be adjusted until the two gages read the same. Consult the troubleshooting table whenever these gages do not read the same.
For most accurate operation, calibrate the probe after the process is up, and at operating temperature and pressure.

Caution: The inside of the probe is pressurized. If using the Oxymitter, do not unscrew the electronics side cover while pressurized. Oxymitter terminations side cover may be opened while pressurized.

Operational Note: Some catalyst regeneration applications (notably the UOP CCR process) use nitrogen in the process. During shutdown, the process may be “inerted”, whereby the O$_2$ is completely displaced with N$_2$ for some period of time. Residual CO and other combustible components can build up on the diffuser and cell of the probe. When coming back on line, the probe will read zero percent O$_2$ until these components are burned completely off the heated probe.

We recommend that nitrogen be bled down the probe’s calibration gas line at 5 SCFH during any periods where the probe’s O$_2$ reading approaches zero. This flow may be removed and the cal gas line capped tightly when the unit comes back on line. This will insure that the O$_2$ reading will respond normally as air is reintroduced into the process.
Pressure Balancing System Troubleshooting

The pressure balancing system will operate without periodic adjustment. Whenever the probe is taken out of service, inspect the pressure balancing system for condensation or particulate pluggage in the lines. Most surfaces that are in contact with the process gases are stainless steel, but condensate can still corrode stainless steel. If condensation is found, insulate the process lines to keep them warm. Leaks are the most likely problems in the pressure-balancing system.

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<td>O₂ oscillates up and down repeatedly and at</td>
<td>Watch the two pressure gages on the pressure balancing system. If needles</td>
<td>Diaphragm on balancing relay or process tap has a hole in it.</td>
<td>Replace balancing relay or process tap.</td>
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<td>a frequency greater than the normal process</td>
<td>are not stable and do not follow each other, there is a hole in the</td>
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<td>O₂ changes, (up and down every few seconds).</td>
<td>balancing relay diaphragm or in the process tap/cal gas line feeding the</td>
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<td>balancing relay. Disassemble and bench test the balancing relay to isolate</td>
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<td>O₂ reading increases above normal readings.</td>
<td>Disassemble probe and look for leaks in the calibration gas line.</td>
<td>Process tap/calibration gas line has a hole in it or the elastomer</td>
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<td>tube has popped off. Process gas is mixing with reference air inside</td>
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## Spare Parts Lists

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<td>Reference Air Pressure Regulator</td>
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Disassembly of Pressure Balancing System (probe must first be removed from the process)

1) Disconnect instrument air supply line at the pressure regulator.
2) Disconnect the instrument air reference line out of the balancing relay and into the probe reference gas port.
3) Disconnect the calibration gas line into the cal gas flowmeter.
4) Disconnect the calibration gas line from probe into balancing relay.
5) Unbolt and remove the entire pressure balancing assembly from the probe flange.
Reference Air Guage
To Reference Air Fitting on Probe
To Cal Gas Fitting on Probe
Reference air regulator (instrument air)
Process Pressure Gauge
Cal Gas Blocking Valve
Cal Gas Flowmeter
Cal Gas in