

ORTEC®

MÖBIUS™ Recycler

Condensing Liquid Nitrogen
HPGe Detector Cooling System



“All the advantages of Liquid Nitrogen cooling
without the need for frequent refilling.”

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The ORTEC Möbius Recycler technology provides “tried and tested” LN₂ cooling of your HPGe detector in a system where LN₂ requires refilling approximately once every other year under normal, continuous operating conditions. This is achieved by the integration of the Sunpower® CryoTel® cryocooler and a specially designed 28 liter liquid nitrogen dewar.

The Möbius Recycler provides an excellent strategy for managing counting laboratories which have periodic power failures. A “smart” cooler controller senses when the Möbius is operating on an uninterrupted power supply (UPS) and automatically disables the cryocooler to minimize the power drain. This feature allows extended system operation when using smaller capacity UPS systems.

The predictive “time to empty” LN₂ level monitor provides status regardless of mains power loss. While your laboratory may be in the dark, you won’t be, when it comes to knowing “time to empty” of the LN₂ dewar.

ORTEC warrants the resolution performance for a new detector purchased with the Möbius Recycler to the detector’s published performance specifications.

Key Benefits

- Ability to achieve LN₂ performance without the requirement for frequent system refilling – thus saving time, money and reducing hazardous material handling.
- During a loss of input power, the Möbius will continue cooling the detector as if it were a standard dewar.
- A large 28 liter dewar improves the duration for cooling during a power loss and helps extend the time between system refills.
- LN₂ level monitor can be remotely mounted and calculates the time until the dewar is empty based upon LN₂ consumption, allowing for proactive maintenance scheduling.
- Smart controller reduces UPS strain while allowing continued operation during a power outage.
- Integrates easily underneath standard lead shields with same footprint as standard dewar.
- Diagnostics and health parameters accessible by Windows PC.



Möbius™ Recycler is the first product from the combined talents of ORTEC and the technology-leading cryocooler company Sunpower, acquired by AMETEK late in 2012.

Performance Specifications

Refill Period	After the detector is cool and the LN ₂ is topped off, the Möbius system can run for up to 2 years or longer without filling. This is based on the sealing technology and assumes that it is operating in uninterrupted, steady state conditions.	
Maintenance	Easily removable, washable inlet air filter. No other maintenance is required.	
Remote Display	The remote display attaches to the system with an umbilical cord and can be remotely mounted to improve visibility when the detector is placed in a lead shield. The display registers in whole hours the estimated time remaining until the dewar must be refilled, taking into account the current state of cooler on or cooler off. The user is warned when the dewar is approaching empty, starting 48 hours before the dewar is exhausted.	
Internal Controller	The control electronics and power supply are electrically isolated from the dewar, as is the cooler, and protected from LN ₂ spillage.	
Level Sensing	A capacitance level sensor provides a continuous measurement of the LN ₂ level from 0–100% full.	
Use with UPS Systems	The Möbius Recycler contains a small onboard computer which can receive an input in the event of power loss. The input causes the system to enter power saving mode and turn off the cryocooler. With the cryocooler turned off, the onboard computer and diagnostic electronics may be powered by a small UPS.	
LN₂ Loss Rate	Approximately 3 liters per day when cooler is off.	
Spectroscopic Performance	When purchasing a new ORTEC detector with a Möbius, resolution is based on the detector data sheet.	Above 15 keV, no degradation of the detector warranted resolution. Below 15 keV, less than 10%, of the warranted resolution.
	For existing ORTEC detector systems: when replacing an existing dewar or X-COOLER with a Möbius, resolution degradation is based on the existing detector performance.	It is expected that the detector will have similar performance compared to using a standard liquid nitrogen dewar. Some degradation may occur, depending on age and configuration of the detector.

Mechanical Specifications

Dewar Capacity	28 Liters, excluding detector dipstick volume.
Cooler	AMETEK SUNPOWER Cryotel GT with passive vibration dampening.
Auxiliary Cooling	Internal fan.
Audible Noise	Less than 60 dB [A] at 1 meter fully operational, below 30°C ambient.
Electrical Supply	100–240 V AC auto ranging from 120 to 240 V, 50–60 Hz.
Normal Power Consumption	125 W typical, 350 W maximum.
Dimensions (excluding HPGe detector)	25.78 in. (65.5 cm) high x 17.4 in. (44.1 cm) diameter.
Operating Temperature	0–40°C. 20% to 90% relative humidity, non-condensing.

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Ordering Information

MOBIUS-PT	Möbius Recycler for PopTop detector. Requires 1.5" (38.1 mm) diameter horizontal or vertical dipstick cryostat.
MOBIUS-ST	Möbius Recycler for Streamline detector. Requires 1.25" (31.75 mm) diameter horizontal or vertical dipstick cryostat.
MOBIUS-PT-DET	Möbius Recycler for purchase in combination with any PopTop detector and MOBIUS-CFG-PV4 vertical dipstick cryostat or MOBIUS-CFG-PH4 horizontal dipstick cryostat.
MOBIUS-ST-DET	Möbius Recycler for purchase in combination with any Streamline detector and any CFG-SV vertical dipstick cryostat, CFG-SH horizontal dipstick cryostat, or CFG-N-SH horizontal dipstick cryostat.
MOBIUS-PH-XCOOL	Möbius Recycler for PopTop detectors with trade-in of any X-COOLER mechanical cooler. Includes MOBIUS-CFG-PH4 horizontal cryostat.
MOBIUS-PV-XCOOL	Möbius Recycler for PopTop detectors with trade-in of any X-COOLER mechanical cooler. Includes MOBIUS-CFG-PV4 vertical cryostat.
MOBIUS-CFG-PH4	Horizontal dipstick type cryostat for MOBIUS-PT
MOBIUS-CFG-PV4	Vertical dipstick type cryostat for MOBIUS-PT
MOBIUS-PT-COL	Kit to convert MOBIUS-ST to MOBIUS-PT
MOBIUS-ST-COL	Kit to convert MOBIUS-PT to MOBIUS-ST
TL-6	Dewar transfer line. 6 ft.
VL-3	Dewar vent line. 3 ft.
VL-6	Dewar vent line. 6 ft.

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