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Mr. Robert E. Brinkman  
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Division of Licensing and Regulation  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Brinkman:

Thank you for your letter of November 29, 1960 asking that we forward the information required relative to our Application for Byproduct Material License dated October 6, 1960.

I feel that clarification of the use to which we are going to put this material is important for your evaluation. We design and manufacture scientific instruments. One possible product that we are considering for manufacture is a gas chromatographic detector based on excitation of argon to a metastable state by bombardment with Beta radiation. This detector is very similar to that manufactured by the Barber-Colman Company and the Jarrell Ash Company. Tritium is a common source of the required radiation.

Our manipulation of the radioactive material will be limited to the simple placement of the foil into the detector cell. We have already been instructed by our contemplated supplier, U. S. Radium Corporation, on the care required for this manipulation. We will purchase the foil already cut to our exact dimensions. The placement of the foil into the cell will be done in a fume hood or gas tight dry-box. Attached is a more detailed description of our contemplated use of the tritium foil.

Concerning the training and experience with radiation of Messrs. Martin, Buxton and Debbrecht, it is true that there has not been a large amount of experience specific to handling radioactive materials; however, as stated in our application of October 6, 1960, the three gentlemen involved have earned their Ph.D.'s in Chemistry which included physical chemistry courses dealing partly with radioactive materials. Also, some

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specialized shortcourses on radiation chemistry were included in the training. The industrial experience of the three gentlemen did not directly involve radiation chemicals, but indirectly we were exposed to the handling of such materials. A complete radiation laboratory at the establishment was up to date in the way of equipment and knowledge. In view of the minimum handling we plan to do, and the information provided by U. S. Radium Corporation, we feel that we are qualified to handle this material.

I hope this information will be sufficient to allow you to grant us the license. If not would you please call me collect to get any more information required.

Very truly yours,



Aaron J. Martin  
Director of Research

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Enc.



DETAILS OF CONTEMPLATED USE OF TRITIUM

The requested byproduct material (tritium foil) will be obtained from the supplier (probably U. S. Radium Corporation) in the size required, which is a strip 1/4" x 1" with stainless steel backing. No further cutting will be required. On receipt these strips will be placed in ready made brass blocks having inside dimensions of about 0.4" high and a diameter of 0.4". For this a slight amount of bending of the foil will be required. This will be done in a fume hood using tweezers. At no time will the foil come in contact with individuals. The spring tension of the foil will hold it in place around the circumference at the base of the brass block. This will be the only operation performed with the foil itself. Occasionally it may be necessary to remove the foil for purposes of repositioning electrodes on the foil in the cell or for transfer to cells of similar construction but different geometry. In these cases the same care will be used as in the original foil placement. If the fume hood for handling of the foil itself is not a satisfactory protection from minute particles of the titanium tritide, we would use a completely enclosed glove box flushed with filtered air for all handling of the foil.

The brass block containing the foil will be used as an ionization detecting system for gas chromatographic units similar to those constructed by Lovelock (see Journal of Chromatography, Vol. 1, page 35, 1958; Nature, Vol. 181, page 1460, 1958; Nature, Vol. 182, page 1663, 1958). In these units the cell containing the foil is flushed with argon at 50-200 ml./min. The cell would

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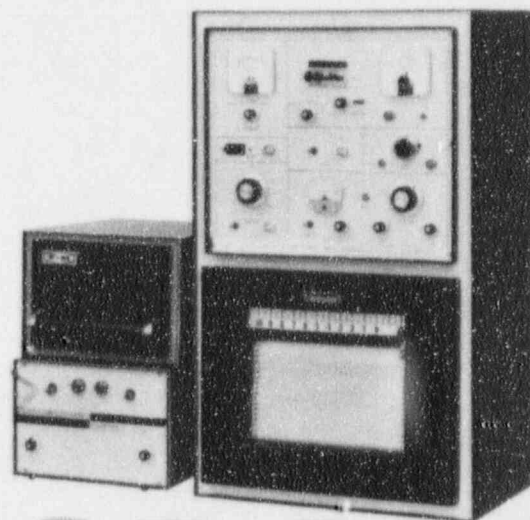
be operated at various temperatures depending upon the types of compounds being analyzed. However, this temperature would never exceed  $200^{\circ}\text{C}$  to prevent significant desorption of tritium.

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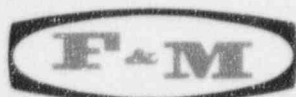
MODEL 720

GAS



CHROMATOGRAPH





## MODEL 720

*... a significant  
contribution to  
gas chromatography  
for the research  
and control laboratory*

Totally in keeping with F & M's established policy of introducing new instruments only when a significant contribution can be made, the Model 720 brings new standards of performance, versatility and convenience to gas chromatography.

To wit: F & M's original instrument in 1957 was the first commercial high temperature chromatograph. Two years later, the company marketed a new model, the first with temperature programming and a breakthrough in chromatographic versatility and performance. In 1960, the Model 500 was introduced, the first to combine *all* the state-of-the-art improvements. It has since become the standard of comparison. Now, the Model 720 extends the performance and versatility of the chromatograph by incorporating in a single dual column instrument all the features required for research as well as routine analyses. All F & M gas chromatographs are equally suitable for low temperature analysis of compounds such as permanent gases, gaseous hydrocarbons and other low boiling materials. Complete temperature versatility is an important feature of all F & M chromatographs.

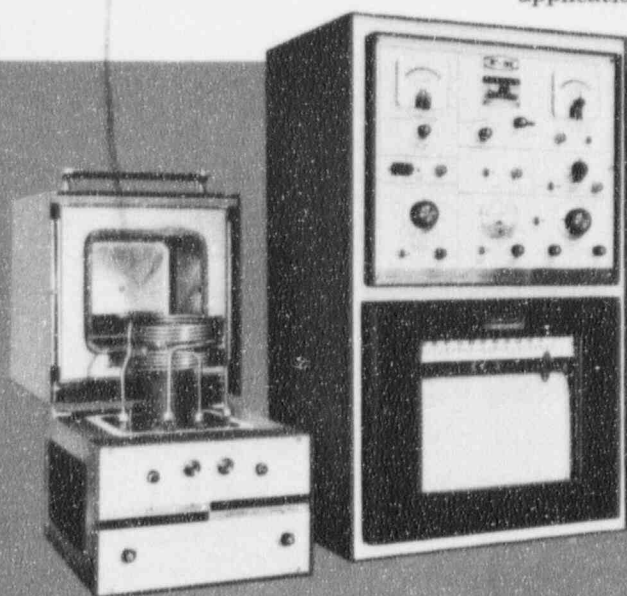
### TRIPLE ASSURANCE OF PERFORMANCE

When you order an F & M instrument, the new 720 or any other, you participate in a unique three-way assurance of performance that is backed by the full skill and reputation of F & M Scientific Corporation.

1. *Laboratory-proved*—Every new F & M instrument is field-tested and proved before it is marketed. For example: the Model 720 was 18 months in development and 12 months in field trials in major laboratories across the country.

2. *No planned obsolescence*—To protect its customers against premature obsolescence, F & M has a standing policy to modify existing instruments to incorporate the functional improvements of its new models. For example: a kit is available to convert the Model 500 to dual column operation; another accessory permits the use of flame ionization detection with a thermal conductivity instrument.

3. *Performance guarantee*—F & M guarantees the essential functions of its instruments and supports their proven performance with maintenance and technical service. For example: the F & M Applications Group maintains and continually adds to a comprehensive file of gas chromatography applications which is at the disposal of customers at any time.



MODEL 720 Dual Column Gas Chromatograph

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# MODEL 720 CHARACTERISTICS *performance and versatility*

For more than two years, the F & M Model 500 has been accepted as the performance standard against which all chromatographs are measured. The new Model 720 is a direct descendant of the 500 and thus retains or improves upon its two most important characteristics:

**Temperature Programming**—The F & M temperature programming system permits the analysis of all types of samples including wide boiling and complex materials (see Page 8 for details). This analytical method gives shorter retention times and narrower peaks which result in a more rapid analysis, better resolution and easier integration of peak areas for quantitative determinations.

**Wide Temperature Range**—The F & M system of temperature controls permits the use of the Model 720 for the analysis of compounds from room temperature to 500°C. Column, detector and injection port temperatures are independently controlled for complete flexibility of operation.

The 720 offers many other useful features that significantly improve its versatility and performance:

## VERSATILITY

**Full choice of column operation**—The 720 is a dual column chromatograph with a choice of five column flow paths (p. 6):

- (1) dual compensating
- (2) dual independent
- (3) two in series
- (4) single
- (5) preparative

**Full choice of operating controls**

- (1) Programmed or isothermal
- (2) Linear or step programs or both
- (3) Independent temperature control of columns, detector, and injection port
- (4) Digital and meter readout of column temperature
- (5) Dual flow control
- (6) Manual or automatic (optional) attenuation.

**Full choice of accessories**—F & M accessories are all specifically engineered for top performance with F & M chromatographs (p. 9 & 10). These include:

integrators  
attenuators  
gas, liquid and solid sampling accessories  
preparative columns  
collection devices.

**Multiple detectors**—For wide range of operation and high sensitivity, several detection systems are available. The thermal conductivity detector is standard, with high sensitivity W-2 filaments optional. The Model 1609 flame ionization detector attachment, which is also optional, is easily and quickly connected (p. 9).

## PERFORMANCE

**Upper liquid phase limit extended 50-100°C.** The dual compensating columns eliminate baseline drift by canceling out the effect of substrate bleeding at temperatures up to 100°C higher than single column operation. The columns need not be the same length since independent flow controllers for the two columns can be adjusted to equalize the amount of substrate bleed.

**No column temperature cycling** because the power proportioning controller provides continuous power to the heater, but only in the amount needed; no relays, no contacts, no off-on cycling (p. 8).

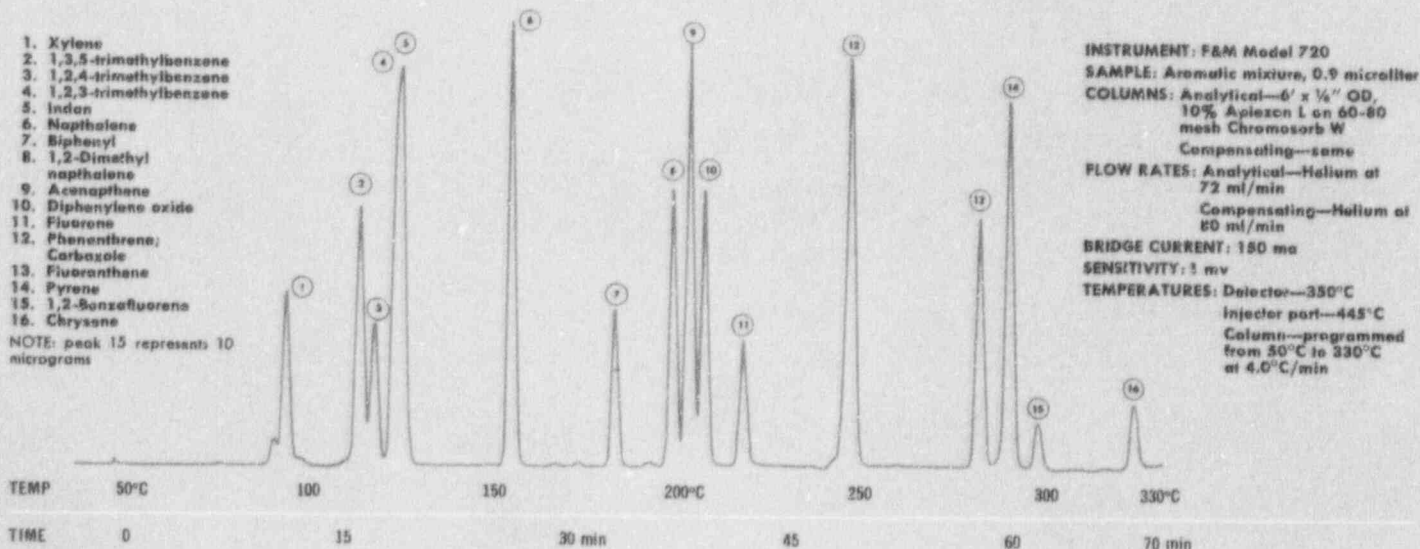
**Baseline stability guaranteed by F & M because of:**

- (1) improved 4-wire hot filament detector design
- (2) new solid-state power supply
- (3) power proportioning controller for detector
- (4) shielding and isolation of wiring circuits eliminate a-c pickup.

**Independent flow controllers keep mass flow constant** at each column regardless of changes in column temperature or viscosity.

**Overall maintenance greatly simplified because:**

- (1) all components are easily accessible from the front (p. 4)
- (2) flip-top oven (p. 4) permits column change in less than 2 minutes
- (3) solid-state circuitry increases life of components
- (4) plug-in printed circuits speed trouble-shooting and replacement
- (5) electronic power supplies eliminate batteries.



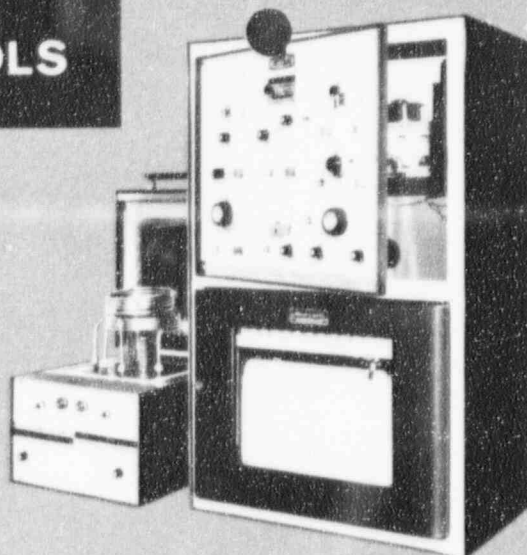
# MODEL 720 OPERATING CONTROLS

## *Designed for operating ease*

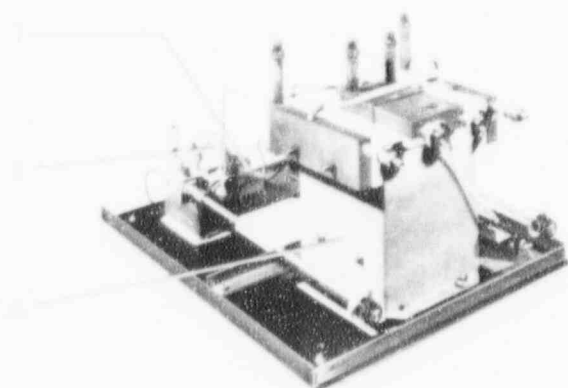
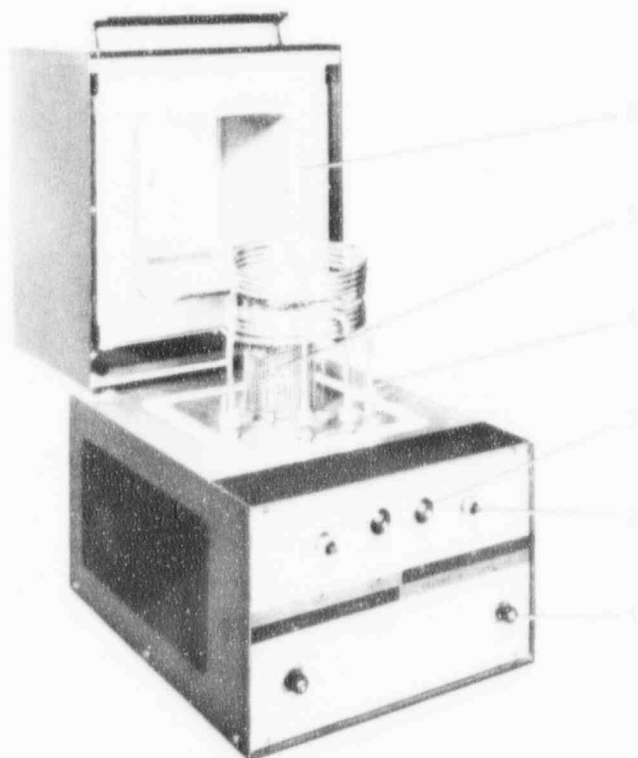
The F & M Model 720 was designed to afford:

- the best possible analytical performance
- all the controls that aid the analyst
- convenient access to all components
- good looks with outstanding performance.

Model 720 with cabinet door ajar (door swings out full 180°)



## DETECTOR COLUMN OVEN Module



Base plate of Detector Module

1 **Flow Adjustments:** one for each column, for independent setting of the two flow controllers

2 **Exit Ports:** one for each column, accept soap film flowmeter (provided with instrument) for accurate measurement of carrier gas flow rate through each column

3 **Injection Ports:** one for each column; hold silicone rubber septums for direct syringe injection; include septum cooler to prevent deterioration of septums at high operating temperatures; accept solid sample injection accessory (p. 10)

4 **Dual Columns and Fittings:** completely accessible; change of column takes less than 2 minutes

5 **Column Heater and cage protector:** high capacity blower and insulation that exceeds requirements contribute to extremely low temperature gradient; small mass leads to fast heating and cooling (heating from 75°C to 500°C in ten minutes; cooling from 500°C to 100°C in less than ten minutes)

6 **Self-sealing Flip-Top Lid:** Self-adjusting hinge always seals asbestos gasket against oven base

7 **Carrier Gas Fitting** connects carrier gas cylinder to stream-splitter block that directs flow to both columns

8 **Differential Flow Controllers and Valves** accurately maintain flow rate to each column regardless of changes in column conditions. Separate flow controllers are provided for each column to maintain precise flow stability during operation

9 **Detector Block** contains four filament thermal conductivity detector cell and integral heater, well insulated for outstanding detector stability



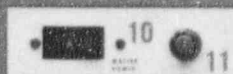
## CONTROL CABINET RECORDER Module

- 10 **Master Switch** with built-in circuit breaker
- 11 **Pilot Lamp**
- 12 **Controller Setting** operates variable transformer which controls injection port heater at any temperature to 500°C; actual temperature indicated on detector heater panel
- 13 **Power Switch**
- 14 **Pilot Lamp**
- 15 **Controller Setting** determines control point of detector heater controller; 10-turn precision potentiometer calibrated directly in degree C to 500°C
- 16 **Power Switch**
- 17 **Pilot Lamp**
- 18 **Indicator:** thermocouple pyrometer gives direct indication of temperature in degrees C and F
- 19 **Selector Switch:** for selecting injection port or detector temperature readout on indicator
- 20 **Selector Switch:** controls power to oven for isothermal, linear-programmed, or step-wise non-linear programmed operation
- 21 **Program Rate Selector:** single knob controls linear program at any one of 12 discrete rates of 0.5 to 30°C/min.; can be changed at any time, even during a run
- 22 **Reset Knob:** sets initial temperature for programmed operation, thus establishing lower limit of program; or sets control point for isothermal operation
- 23 **Digital Indicator** indicates oven control point at all times, whether programmed or isothermal
- 24 **Indicator:** thermocouple pyrometer gives continuous indication of oven temperature; also has integral upper limit controller that sets high limit of program
- 25 **Pilot Lamp**
- 26 **Meter Reset:** push button releases integral upper limit controller and permits resetting by turning knob on indicator
- 27 **Power Switch** operates blower for both heating and cooling; interlocks with oven selector switch to prevent heating without blower
- 28 **Pilot Lamp**
- 29 **Power Switch:** on-off control of line power to integral transistorized d-c power supply for detector bridge
- 30 **Indicator:** milliammeter continuously indicates bridge current
- 31 **Bridge Current Adjustment** permits continuous adjustment
- 32 **Polarity Switch** reverses polarity of detector output to permit positive peaks on recorder regardless of which side of detector is being used for analysis
- 33 **Coarse and Fine Adjustments** accurately set zero position of bridge output to recorder
- 34 **Attenuator:** divides the bridge output by factors of two. This allows both trace and major components to be presented as optimum sized peaks on a single span recorder
- 35 **Full Size Recorder:**  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1% calibrated accuracy; 11 inch calibrated chart width; Zener diode regulated power supply; plug-in measuring circuit; ink pen; optional 8-speed chart drive; provision for integrators and automatic attenuators

### ACCESSIBILITY—Ease of Set Up

- 36 All components are easily accessible from the front of the instrument: detector module has flip-top cover, control cabinet and recorder have swing-out doors
- 37 There are only three electrical interconnections: (1) between detector and control cabinet, (2) line power and control cabinet, (3) accessories and control cabinet
- 38 Instrument readily set up for operation with only one gas line connection required

*power panel*



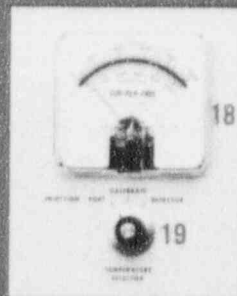
*injection port heater panel*



*detector heater panel*

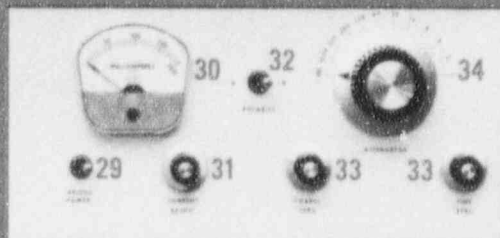
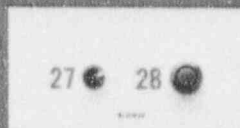


*temperature readout panel*



*column oven panel*

*blower panel*



*detector bridge panel*

## MODEL 720 DUAL COLUMNS

The Model 720 has a dual flow system as shown in the illustration below. In normal operation, carrier gas first flows through a stream splitter that divides it into separate but similar flow paths. Two differential flow controllers and valves regulate the carrier gas flow to each column at precisely the rate selected by their individual adjustments (on the front of the detector module) regardless of changes in column conditions during the temperature program. The flow system also includes dual injection ports and dual exit ports.

After eluting from the column, the two streams are directed to the sample and reference chambers of the thermal conductivity detector. Because of an integral polarity switch, positive peaks are always possible on the recorder regardless of which chamber receives the sample flow.

## FIVE WAYS TO USE THEM

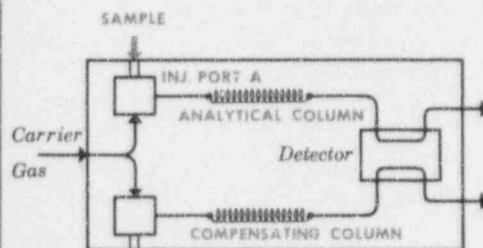
Although the main purpose of the 720 flow system is to permit a dual compensating column arrangement, the F & M designers did not stop at that. Without compromising their main objective in any way, they equipped the 720 for a total of five flow systems, each of which has its proper place in the field of gas chromatography analysis.

## 2 DUAL COMPENSATING COLUMNS

**USE:** To extend by 50 to 100°C the upper limit to which a column can be programmed without baseline drift. Here's how: substrate bleeding from the compensating column is equal to that from the analytical column. The conductivity in both legs of the detector cell is equal and thus cancels out, resulting in a straight baseline.

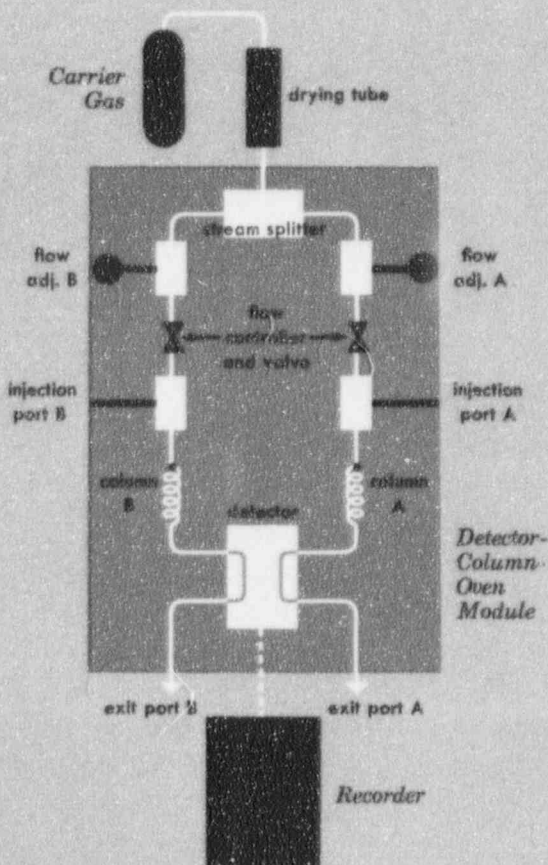
**METHOD:** The two columns are prepared with the same packing and the carrier gas flow rates are adjusted to give identical bleed rates from the two columns. The sample is injected into the analytical column and the chromatogram is produced in the normal fashion.

**EXAMPLE:** The synthetic raspberry oil dual column chromatogram (below) is superimposed on a baseline that was produced by a single column (dashed line) and on its own compensated baseline (solid line). Dual column operation extends the baseline by more than 100°C in this instance.

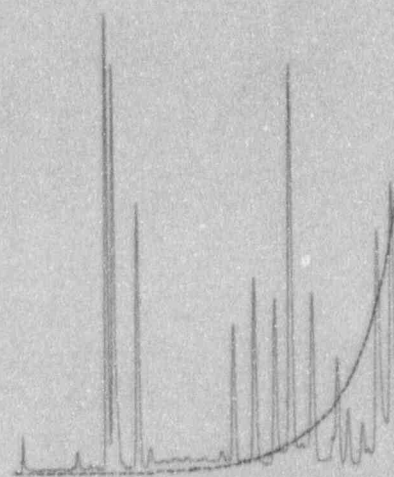


## 1 SINGLE COLUMN

Although designed especially for dual column operation, the 720 serves equally well as a single column chromatograph. In such a use, an empty jumper tube replaces one of the columns, exactly as shown in the drawing for the Preparative Column.



The Basic Flow System



TEMP	70°C	175	280°C
TIME	0 min	15	28 min

INSTRUMENT: F & M Model 720

SAMPLE: Raspberry Oil (synthetic), 0.5 microliter

COLUMNS: Analytical—6' x 1/8" OD copper, 25% non-phenylene poly (ethyleneoxy) ethanol on water washed 60-80 mesh Chromosorb W Compensating—2' x 1/8" OD, same packing

FLOW RATES: Analytical—Helium at 72 ml/min Compensating—Helium at 23 ml/min

BRIDGE CURRENT: 150 ma

SENSITIVITY: 2 mv

TEMPERATURES: Detector—300°C

Injection port—315°C

Column—programmed from 70°C to 280°C @ 7.5°C/min

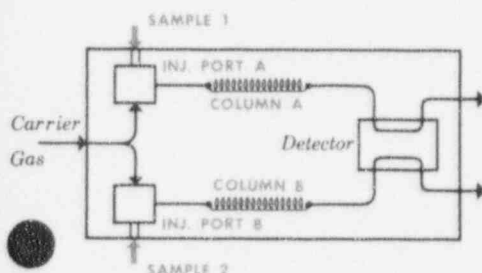


### 3 DUAL INDEPENDENT COLUMNS

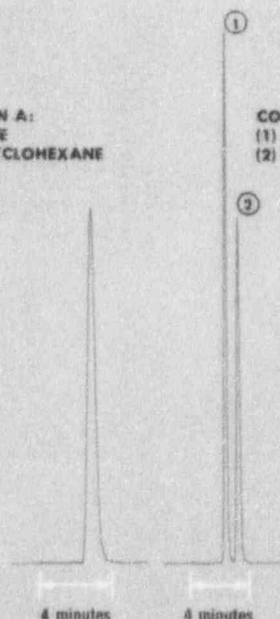
**USE:** To analyze a sample that requires two different columns for a complete analysis of its components. Or: qualitative analysis by plotting retention volumes on columns of different polarity. References: Research, 8, 8 (1955); Anal. Chem., 28, 1370, (1956); Anal. Chem., 34, 903 (1961). Or: analysis of two successive samples without downtime between analyses.

**METHOD:** Carrier gas flow is established in the usual fashion, and the sample is injected into port A. After the chromatogram has been completed, the polarity switch is reversed and a second sample injection is made, but this time into port B.

**EXAMPLE:** When a 1 microliter mixture of benzene and cyclohexane (below) was run through Column A with a non-polar packing of Apiezon L, it produced a single peak. The same amount of sample was then run through Column B with a polar packing of Nitrile Silicone; the two components were separated and each yielded a useable peak.



COLUMN A:  
BENZENE  
AND CYCLOHEXANE



COLUMN B:  
(1) CYCLOHEXANE  
(2) BENZENE

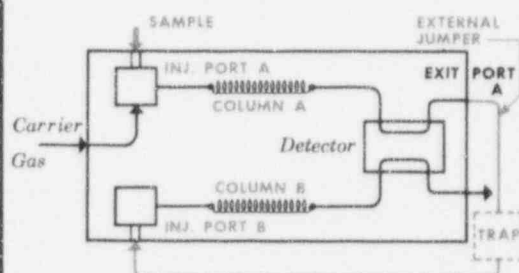
INSTRUMENT: F & M Model 720  
SAMPLE: 1 microliter mixture of Benzene—B.P. 80.1°C  
Cyclohexane—B.P. 80.7°C  
COLUMNS: A—6' x 1/4" OD, 20% Apiezon L on 60-80 mesh Chromosorb W  
B—6' x 1/4" OD, 20% XF 1150 Nitrile Silicone on 60-80 mesh Chromosorb W  
FLOW RATES: A—Helium at 65 ml/min  
B—Helium at 67 ml/min  
COLUMN TEMPERATURE: 80°C isothermal

### 4 TWO COLUMNS IN SERIES

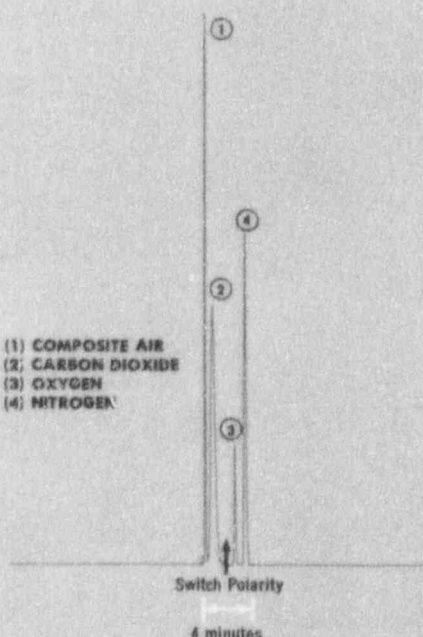
**USE:** To perform a separation that cannot be done on either of the individual columns. In series operation, the first column separates a component that would overlap on the second, and the second column separates components not separated on the first.

**METHOD:** An external jumper tube is positioned between exit port A and injection port B. The jumper can be equipped with a trap to remove certain components, or a column to provide additional separation. The sample is then injected into port A. A chromatogram is produced after elution from column A and again after elution from column B. (The polarity switch is normally reversed between elutions.)

**EXAMPLE:** A typical example (below) is the 2-column molecular sieve to separate CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub> in natural gas, respiratory gases, air pollution samples, smoke analyses, etc. The first column (silica gel) separates the CO<sub>2</sub> which is then removed in the external trap. Sample flow then continues to column B (molecular sieve 5A) where O<sub>2</sub> is separated from N<sub>2</sub>.



(1) COMPOSITE AIR  
(2) CARBON DIOXIDE  
(3) OXYGEN  
(4) NITROGEN



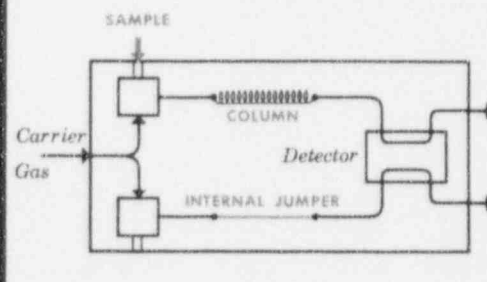
INSTRUMENT: F & M Model 720  
SAMPLE: Air—CO<sub>2</sub> mixture, 0.3 ml  
COLUMNS: A—1' x 1/4" OD, silica gel  
B—6' x 1/4" OD, Molecular Sieve 5A, 30-60 mesh  
FLOW RATE: A—Helium at 55 ml/min  
B—Helium at 55 ml/min  
COLUMN TEMPERATURE: 80°C isothermal

### 5 PREPARATIVE COLUMN

**USE:** To collect very pure components, in volumes of a few microliters up to 3 ml.

**METHOD:** The special preparative column for the Model 720 permits the injection of samples up to 3 ml, directly and in a single injection. The desired pure component is collected at the exit port which is conveniently located at the front of the instrument. If a small microliter sample is to be collected, the capillary collection method described in Facts & Methods, Vol. 2 No. 2, is used. For larger samples, an accessory is available which fits the exit port directly.

**EXAMPLE:** In the example below, there were three separate injections of benzene and toluene mixture: 10, 200, and 400 microliters respectively. In all three cases, the first peak is benzene and the second toluene.



(1) 10 MICROLITERS

(2) 200 MICROLITERS

(3) 400 MICROLITERS

INSTRUMENT: F & M Model 720  
SAMPLE: Benzene and Toluene—(1) 10 microliters; (2) 200; (3) 400  
COLUMN: Preparative—8' x 1/2" OD stainless steel coil, 20% Apiezon L on 60-80 mesh Chromosorb P  
FLOW RATE: Helium at 160 ml/min  
BRIDGE CURRENT: 100 ma  
SENSITIVITY: (1) 1mv (2) 5mv (3) 8mv  
TEMPERATURES: Detector—200°C  
Injection Port—250°C  
Column—130°C

# MODEL 720 Temperature Program and Control Systems

Beginning with the first one, every new F & M chromatograph made a significant contribution to temperature control in chromatography. The Model 720 continues this tradition by offering the analyst greater versatility in temperature control and programming at a higher performance standard than any other chromatograph.

**Separate and Independent Temperature Controllers.** The column, detector, and injection port heaters all have separate controllers through which each heater can be controlled at the individual temperature that suits it best. Thus:

- 1 the *injection port* temperature can be set high enough for instantaneous vaporization of the sample but low enough to prevent decomposition;
- 2 the *detector* temperature can be controlled at any constant temperature up to 500°C, even during a column change, to promote stability, prevent condensation and obtain optimum sensitivity.
- 3 the *column temperature* is precisely controlled for best separation and elution of components either by isothermal or programmed temperature operation.

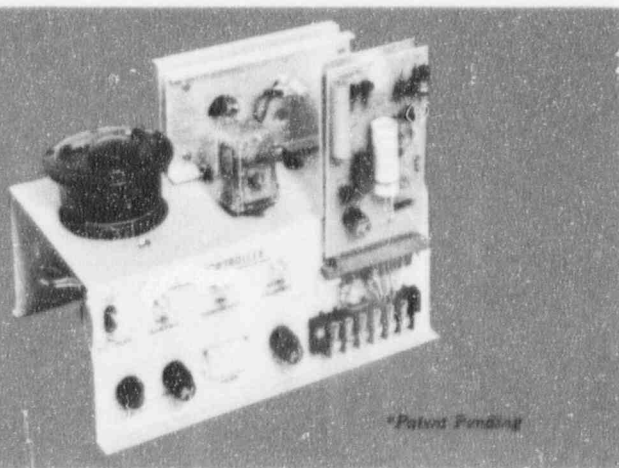
**Separate Temperature Indicators.** All three temperatures can be indicated independently at any time on the thermocouple pyrometers (p. 5).

**Wide Temperature Control.** All three temperatures can be controlled from room temperature to 500°C. This is especially important in dual column chromatographs in which meaningful analyses are possible at higher temperatures without baseline drift from substrate bleeding (see the chromatogram below). The temperature control system also permits precise instrument operation at low temperatures for the separation of low molecular weight compounds and gases. The high-temperature feature also permits the ready removal from the columns of high-boiling components after each run.

**Smooth Power-Proportioning Control.** Both the detector heater and column oven have power-proportioning controllers that provide smooth, straight-line temperature regulation of a high accuracy ( $\pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$ ) and completely eliminate on-off cycling.

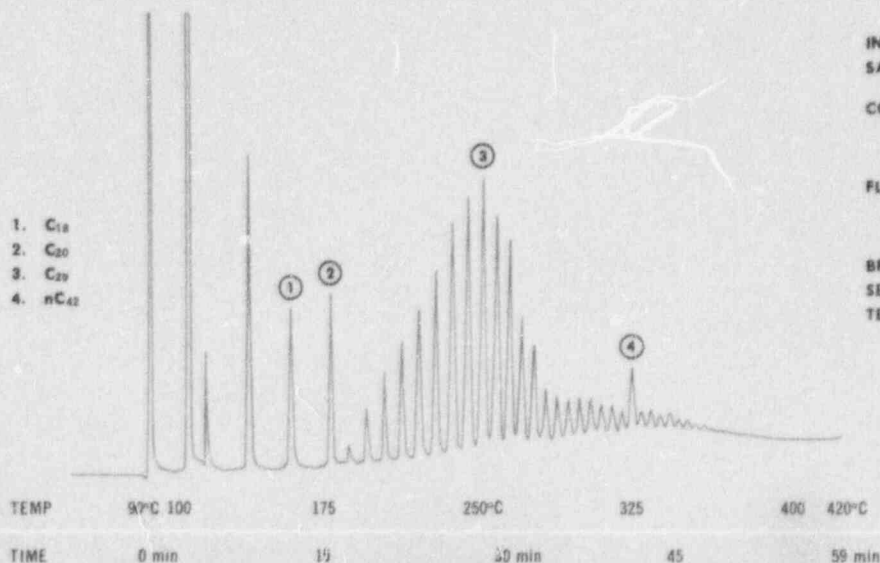
**Programmed or Isothermal.** The 720 can be operated isothermally or programmed, and the mode can be changed from one to the other at will, even in the middle of a program. Thus the program can be linear, or step-wise non-linear.

Twelve program rates are available, ranging from 0.5°C to 30°C/min.



F & M's (Microsignal Amplifier Converter) MAC\* temperature controller is a custom designed unit that continuously compares the actual temperature (thermocouple emf) with the desired temperature (reference bridge emf). The amount of power supplied to the heater is proportional to the difference between these emf's, thus providing true power proportioning temperature control.

Two MAC controllers are used, one for the column oven and one for the detector. The column oven controller incorporates a programmer that drives the reference bridge through a gear train at a specific rate depending on the choice of gear. The oven controller also has a relay that provides "hold" or "off at limit" operation at the end of the program.



INSTRUMENT: F & M Model 720  
 SAMPLE: Blend of waxes and pure hydrocarbons  
 COLUMNS: Analytical—6' x 1/4" OD, 5% SE-30 silicone gum rubber on 60-80 mesh Chromasorb W  
 Compensating—same  
 FLOW RATES: Analytical—Helium at 60 ml/min  
 Compensating—Helium at 83 ml/min  
 BRIDGE CURRENT: 150 ma  
 SENSITIVITY: 1 mv  
 TEMPERATURES: Detector—350°C  
 Injection Port—450°C  
 Column—programmed from 90°C to 420°C @ 5.6°C/min



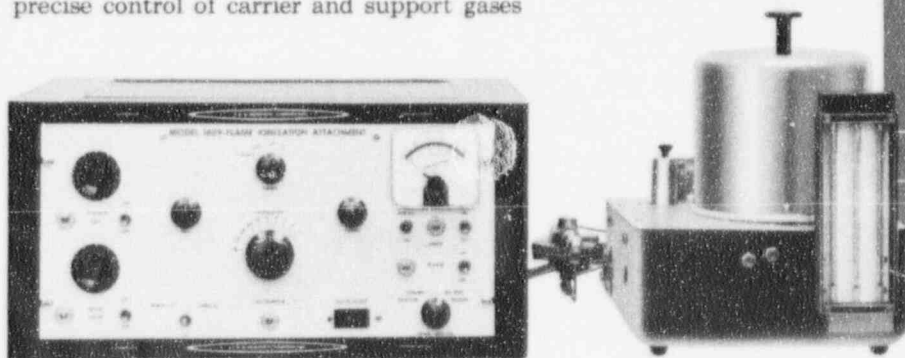
# MODEL 720 ATTACHMENTS AND ACCESSORIES

**The Model 1609 Flame Ionization Detector** This is an ultra-sensitive companion instrument that extends the range and sensitivity of the Model 720. For example, a successful chromatogram was obtained on the 1609 from a sample containing 4 ppb ethylene in nitrogen. Functionally and in terms of performance, the Model 1609 was designed after the important flame instrument variables were determined on the design of a separate flame unit.

The Model 1609 consists of the flame ionization detector, column oven, line-operated electrometer whose basic sensitivity is  $4 \times 10^{-12}$  amps full scale, and a full set of independent operating controls. The addition of a column temperature controller and/or programmer makes the 1609 a separate flame unit with the versatility of the 609.

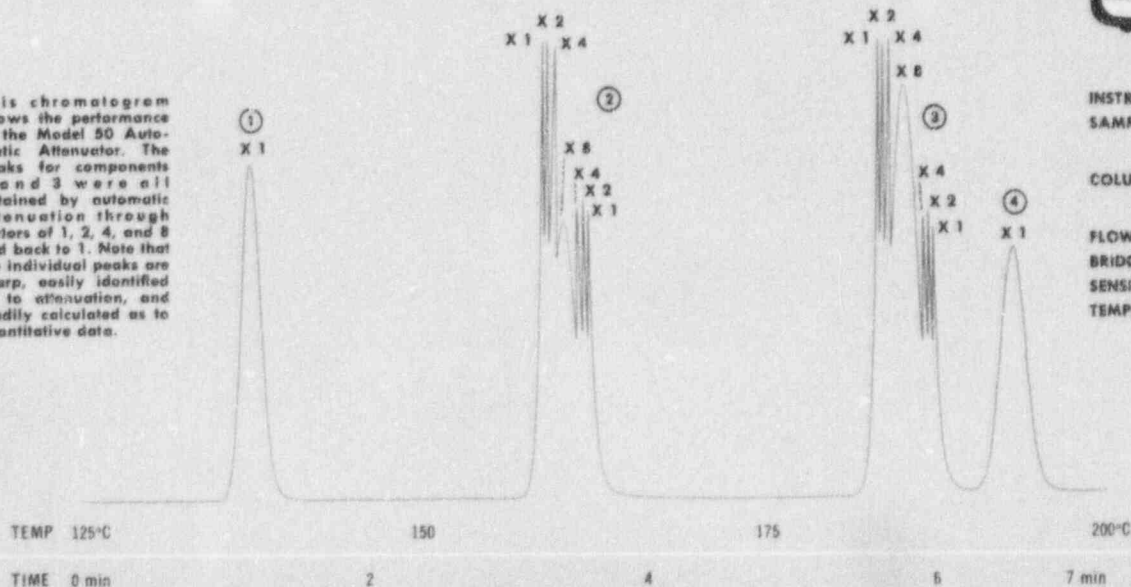
With the attachment of the Model 1609 accessory, the Model 720 Gas Chromatograph can be operated with either the thermal conductivity or flame ionization detector, and switchover from one to the other takes less than one minute.

*Some outstanding features of the 1609* • ppb sensitivity • wide dynamic range • full concentration linearity • automatic hydrogen flame reignition • packed columns to 50 ft. long • accepts capillary columns • separate temperature control of injection port, detector and column • precise control of carrier and support gases

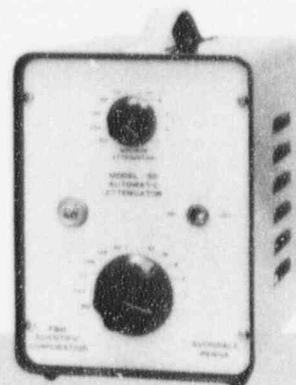
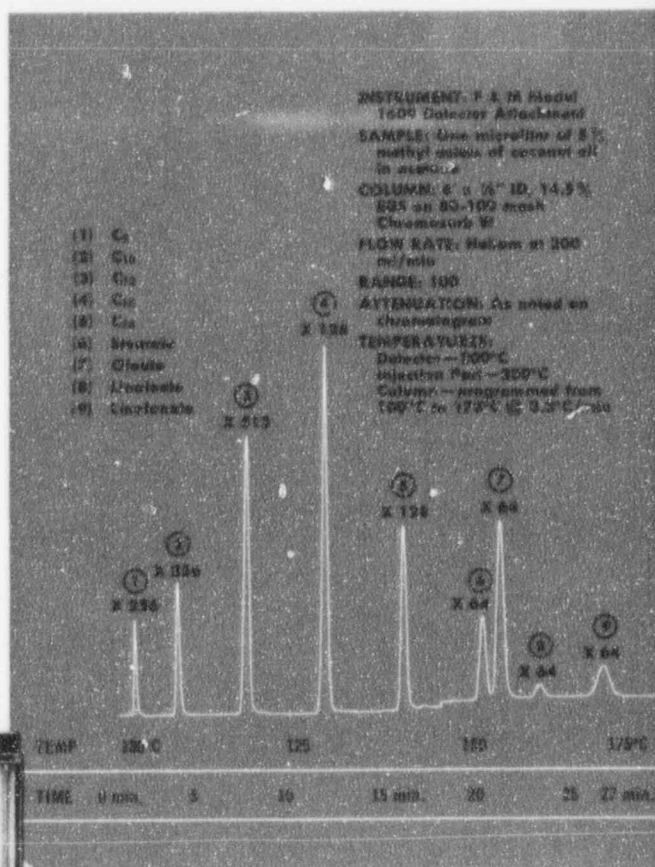


**Model 50 Automatic Attenuator** About as convenient an accessory as any analyst ever used, the Model 50 makes possible unattended chromatographic operation during the run by automatically holding peaks on scale, regardless of the signal intensity. Here's how: it automatically increases the attenuation factor by two (decreases sensitivity) when the recorder pen reaches 95% of scale, and decreases it by two when the pen reaches 35% of scale returning to the baseline. (Both the upscale and the downscale points are adjustable). Its overall range is 1 to 1024; it has a minimum attenuation dial that can be set between 1 and 512, below which setting it will not deattenuate. In addition to complete automatic operation, there is a manual control switch and dial (Part No. AA-0000).

This chromatogram shows the performance of the Model 50 Automatic Attenuator. The peaks for components 2 and 3 were all obtained by automatic attenuation through factors of 1, 2, 4, and 8 and back to 1. Note that the individual peaks are sharp, easily identified as to attenuation, and readily calculated as to quantitative data.

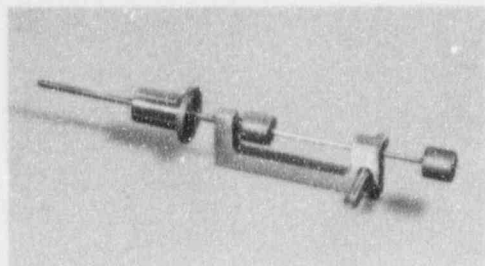
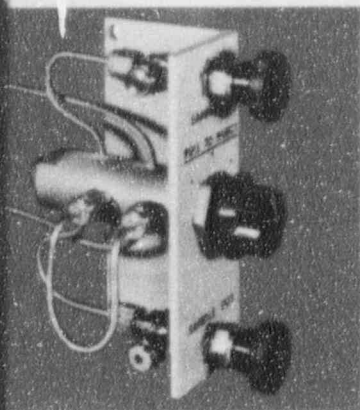


**INSTRUMENT:** F & M Model 720  
**SAMPLE:** Mixture of (1) benzene (2) toluene (3) p-xylene and (4) o-xylene  
**COLUMN:** 6' x 1/8" OD, 20% UCON LB 550X on 60-80 mesh Chromosorb W  
**FLOW RATES:** Helium at 60 ml/min  
**BRIDGE CURRENT:** 150 ma  
**SENSITIVITY:** As indicated  
**TEMPERATURES:** Detector—200°C  
 Injector Port—315°C  
 Column—programmed from 125°C to 200°C @ 10°C/min



## MODEL 720 ATTACHMENTS AND ACCESSORIES

Gas Sampling Valve



Solid Sample Injector

### Detector Protector

To protect the filaments of the conductivity detector against burn-out, the Detector Protector unit automatically turns off the filament current if the carrier gas flow is interrupted for any reason. (Part No. PC-100)

### Sampling Accessories

**FOR LIQUIDS**—a complete line of Hamilton Microliter syringes and Chaney adaptors. These are precision syringes that permit reproducible sampling. (Part Nos. S-7001N to S-750NCH)

**FOR GASES**—Part No. GV-10/11, for the accurate introduction of gaseous samples; leak-free at temperatures up to 150°C and pressures to 100 psig; all stainless steel.

The GV-10 and GV-11 are the same in every manner except that the GV-11 is provided with shut-off valves on the sample inlet and exit ports. Sample loops available from F & M are:

Size	Part No.	Size	Part No.
0.5 cc	L-005	5.0 cc	L-050
1.0 cc	L-010	10.0 cc	L-100
2.0 cc	L-020	25.0 cc	L-250

**FOR SOLIDS**—Part No. SI-4 permits the direct analysis of any solid that vaporizes on heating to 500°C or less; useful for the study of degradation products of polymers and for the analysis of entrained volatile components in solid materials; also injects hard-to-handle liquids; uses standard melting point capillaries; attaches directly to Model 720 injection port.

### Integrators

F & M offers a complete line of mechanical (ball and disc) and electronic analog and digital integrators for your most exacting requirements. The integrators available from F & M are:

Type	Part No.
Daystrom Atten-U-Matic	IA-6000
Disc Integrator	I-3000
Infotronics Integrator	IF-9000

### Columns and Packings

F & M stocks a large variety of both analytical and preparative columns for the Model 720 and other instruments. Also available from stock are different types of packing materials, solid supports, liquid substrates, and empty columns. F & M will also quote on any special column and packing requirements.

### Set-Up Kits

These two convenient kits contain all necessary reducing valves, tubing and fittings to connect the carrier gas cylinder to the 720. When ordering, please identify the kind of carrier gas in addition to the part no.

Type	Part No.
For thermal conductivity units	SK-C
For flame ionization units	SK-F

## CUSTOMER SERVICES FROM F & M

F & M offers a variety of services for users of F & M instrumentation. Highly qualified, technically trained representatives in major cities throughout the United States, Canada, and in Europe are available to help customers solve unusual chromatographic problems.

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# MODEL 720 SPECIFICATIONS

## FLOW SYSTEM

- Dual columns
- Dual differential flow controllers
- Dual injection and exit ports
- Five flow paths:
  - (1) dual compensating columns
  - (2) dual independent
  - (3) two columns in series
  - (4) single column
  - (5) preparative

## COLUMNS

Standard column sizes available from F & M are:  $\frac{1}{8}$ ,  $\frac{3}{16}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. OD in lengths up to 50 feet and longer, depending on column OD

Preparative column: 8' by  $\frac{1}{2}$ " OD

Packed or capillary types can be used

## DETECTOR

- Thermal conductivity type is standard:
  - four-filament tungsten hot wire
  - high sensitivity W-2 detectors (optional)
  - integral solid-state power supply
  - polarity switch
  - continuous bridge current adjustment & milliammeter
  - attenuation switch (12 positions to 1024)
  - automatic attenuator (with similar specs) is optional
  - precise zero adjustment (coarse and fine)
- Flame Ionization Detector Attachment is optional

## TEMPERATURE PROGRAM

- Program rates: one knob selector for 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7.5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30°C/min.; can be changed at any time
- Limit controls: to automatically turn off column heater, or hold temperature isothermally, when upper limit is reached
- Selector control: for isothermal, linear, or linear-isothermal operation

## TEMPERATURE CONTROLS

- Controllers: separate controllers for detector, column, injection port
- Range: all three can be independently set anywhere up to 500°C
- Accuracy: detector and column controllers— $\pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$
- Readout: column—digital and meter
- detector—meter
- injection port—meter
- Column heaters: 1200 watts
- Column heating rate: from 75°C to 500°C in ten minutes
- Column cooling rate: from 500°C to 100°C in less than ten minutes

## PHYSICAL

- Size: control cabinet/recorder module—22" wide, 15" deep, 35" high
- Weight: 185 pounds without recorder or accessories
- 255 pounds with recorder

## ELECTRICAL

- Power requirements: 110 volts, 50-60 cycles, 20 amps, a-c
- Fuses: main—20-amp circuit breaker integral with master power switch
- controllers—oven and detector controllers both have 1/10, 1 and 15-amp fuses

## STANDARD ACCESSORIES

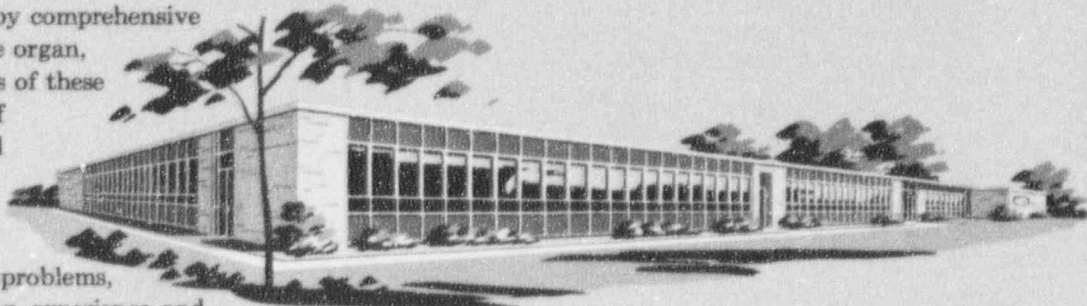
Any of the following can be used, without modification to the Model 720 or the accessory:

- a. Flame ionization detector attachment
- b. Gas sampling valve
- c. Solid sample injector
- d. Automatic attenuator
- e. Prep scale column

• Specifications subject to change without notice

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