A new innovative approach for Aerosol Sampling

Aerosol Devices Inc





Why do we care about aerosols?

- •COVID-19 has swept the world by storm
- •Pollution is the largest environmental cause of disease and premature deaths
- •Diseases caused by pollution were responsible for an estimated 9 million premature deaths in 2015
 - •16% of all deaths worldwide

•three times more deaths than from AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria combined







Issues with traditional Aerosol Samplers







Low Sampling / extraction efficiency Tedious manual sample handling Sample dilution = low analysis sensitivity Risk of contamination Low microorganism viability Time resolved sampling is difficult Particle bounce High steam temperature alters particle's chemistry Limited to soluble or solids, not both

No regulatory standards for sampling

bioaerosols!





SASS 3100 Dry Air Sampler

SASS 3010 Particle Extractor





Sampling Viable Bioaerosols

Viable organisms inactivated by the sampling method

- •Desiccation
- •Mechanical stress
- •Thermal shock



A New Approach for Sampling Aerosols for Biological Analysis



SPOT SAMPLER[™]-BC Bioaerosol Particle Collector High collection efficiency
Concentrated sample
Time-resolved sampling
Maintains viability
Instant genomic-DNA/RNA preservation

BioSpot-VIVAS[™] Bioaerosol Sampler



Patented technology with exclusive license from Aerosol Dynamics Inc.



Brief History Water-based Condensation Particle Growth

First systems: mix steam into airstream, then cool Maze Collector (Simon and Dasgupta, 1995) Steam-jet Collector (Khlystov et al, 1995) Particle-in-Liquid Sampler (Weber et al, 2001) These methods subject the sample to high temperatures

In 2003, S. Hering (Aerosol Dynamics Inc.) introduced the technology that allows particle growth through laminar flow water condensation



A. Eiguren-Fernandez et al., presented at RICTA 2015, the 3rd Iberian Meeting on Aerosol Science and Technology in Elche, Spain, June 29-July 1, 2015.

Condensation Growth Tube = CGT



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Condensation Growth Tube (CGT) Capture





Moderate sample flow temperatures never exceed 30 °C. Exit flow temperature <18 °C; dew-point < 20 °C.

Super-saturation levels of 120-140% activate condensation growth on particles as small as 5 nm.

Droplets grown to nominal 3µm diameter are easily captured by bounce-free, soft inertial impaction on to a solid surface or into liquid

Growth Tube - Efficient over all Particle Sizes



Data for wet-walled cyclone from McFarland et al (2010); BioSampler data from Hogan et al (2005) and Willeke et al. (1998).



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Aerosol Devices Product Range







The BioSpot VIVAS™ BSS310 bioaerosol collector



Industrial grade bioaerosol collector



The MAGIC[™] 210 CPC



The nanoSpotLight[™] 410 particle collector



The Spot Sampler



Versatile: Collect particle into liquid or as a dry deposit

> Concentrated: Increased analysis sensitivity (LOD/LOQ)

High Efficiency: >95% for particles 5nm – 10µm diameter

Productivity:

Labor savings in analysis; collection plates/vials can be cleaned and re-used; no expensive water source

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Sample Quality: Maintain sample integrity and microorganism viability

Time Resolved: Uninterrupted, timeresolved in a dry multiwell plate

Automated: Interface with an autosampler



Collection into Liquid with the Spot Sampler™



- Concentrated suspensions (~500 µL)
- Changeable collection medium: water, culture media, virus growth medium
- Ready for chemical, toxicological, and virus viability analysis

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Dry collection with Spot Sampler ™







- Uninterrupted collection of concentrated spots (1-mm) in a 33-well disk
- Time-resolved collection: minutes up to hours
- No bouncing artifact
- Automated extraction and injection for analysis (i.e., IC, HPLC)



Samples ready for analysis using Spot Sampler



BioSpot 310[™] bioaerosol particle collector - 8 L/min





Collection of MS2 virus aerosol



Condensation Growth TubeSKC BioSampler

Collection of infectious *viable* influenza H1N1 virus aerosol



J. Lednicky et al., Aerosol Science and Technology, 50:7: 2016.



High Fidelity Recovery of Airborne Microbial Genetic Condensation Capture into Genomic Preservative



Condensation Growth Tube = CGT <u>No</u> Condensation Growth Tube = NCGT

M. Nieto Caballero et al., 2019, High Fidelity Recovery of Airborne Microbial Genetic Materials by Direct Condensation Capture into Genomic Preservatives. Journal Microbiological Methods. Submitted Nov. 2018 and Under Review.

Application:

Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California - San Diego



The Spot Sampler on the top deck of the RV Sally Ride while in port in San Diego



RV Sally Ride



The Spot Sampler and aerodynamic particle sizer split the flow and the space inside the housing, while out at sea

Liquid Spot Sampler[™] particle collector was been employed to detect enzymes in aerosol along California coastline.





Some of our Researchers.... Бь FINNISH METEOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE QATAR **UF UNIVERSITY** *of* **FLORIDA** Mount Sinai THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH LVX CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION **Erasmus MC** United States Environmental Protection SEPA Washington University inSt.Louis Universitair Medisch Centrum Rotterdam UNIVERSITÉ zafing Agency AVAL DSO

New Product



- Collects and concentrates airborne particles on an 'easy-to-analyze' swab with pre-set sample timing.
- Can be moved from room to room, providing in-the-moment sampling of hard-to-reach areas and blind spots.
- Quiet when running suitable for offices, schools, hospitals, and nursing homes.
- Swab samples easily transported at room temperature to a lab for high-quality genomic analysis (e.g., RT-qPCR, RNA/DNA sequencing), or analyzed on site with rapid POC detection.

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End User: Researcher

Sampled air from musical instruments for coronavirus; aerosol sampling for indoor microbiome research

Decision maker

End user; Grant and client funded

Key Drivers:

- Low cost, quiet, high sample volume
- Test analysis results within 24 hours
- Sample quality

Meet Shelly University Professor, Environmental Engineering





End User: IH/IAQ/Environmental Consultant

Tested efficacy of engineering controls designed to reduce coronavirus exposures in hospitals

Decision maker End user; Client funded

Key Drivers:

- Sample virus for infectivity
- Multiple samplers, small footprint, portable

Meet David, Director of large IAQ/CIH consulting company





Critical partner: DNA/RNA lab analysis

Samples are transported to lab for routine genomic analysis of virus presence, sequencing

Partner, Recommender Possible buyer (rent product to consultants)

Key Drivers:

- •Integrity, quality of samples
- •Ease of transport
- Method to routinely analyze in lab



Meet Sergey Lab Director at large commercial analysis lab





Announcing the BSS302 BioSpot-GEM Bioaerosol Sampler







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Key specifications

- High quality particle sampling onto a **swab**
- Collects **10nm-10um particle size** with equal effectiveness
- Concentrated (0-10⁵ particles/cm³), efficient (>95% efficiency), contamination-free collection
- Small, lightweight and quiet operation (10lbs)
- Samples directly onto stabilizer (patent pending) for instant DNA/RNA preservation
- 2 presets for time collection, up to **24 hours**: fast auto warm-up
- Can be used for collection of **virus, bacteria, fungal spores, toxins, proteins, allergens**

Includes Sampling Kit for 8 samples (fits inside instrument bag)



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List of Consumables

- Sterile Swabs
- Swab vials
- Genomic preservative
- Disposable Collection pot/lid preloaded with Absorbent beads
- Replacement wicks
- Water supply pouch
- Lab transfer container
- Placed in a presentation box



