



# TRACE Series

Atomic Absorption Spectrometers

TRACE AII200



TRACE 1800



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## TRACE Atomic Absorption Spectrometers

The TRACE series of atomic absorption spectrometers ensures the highest levels of sensitivity, accuracy and reproducibility. Aurora's industry leading optics provide the sharpest image possible for highly accurate elemental analysis. Switching between atomizers (flame, graphite furnace and vapor/hydride generator) is easy with one click in the software using motorized platforms. The transversely-heated graphite furnace tube provides industry-leading heating rates while sustaining high throughput efficiencies with Aurora's Fast Dry technology. The universal XYZ autosampler enables automated, high throughput analysis from almost any container. The TRACE Series combines excellent performance, reliable software and great values for a complete solution in trace metal analysis.

### Features

#### Auto-Aligned 8-Lamp Array

- Computer-controlled turret holds up to eight (8) pre-heated hollow cathode lamps

#### Quick Switch between F, GF and VG Atomizers

- Flame, graphite furnace and vapor/hydride generator atomizers quickly transition using the manual or motorized platforms

#### Switchable Single/Double Beam Optics

- Switch between single beam and true double beam optics with just a single click

#### Transversely-Heated GF Tube

- Unique design allows for a perfectly uniform temperature distribution, creating spatially isothermal atomization conditions

#### High GF Heating Rate

- Industry-leading GF tube heating rate (3800 K/s)

#### Teflon Nebulizer Chamber

- Chemically inert to provide superior resistance against the most corrosive of reagents, including organic solvents

#### Universal XYZ Autosampler

- Most advanced autosampler on the market
- Compatible with vials, plates, test tubes and more

#### Online Dilution

- Calibration curves created from a single standard solution

#### Built-In Power Supplies

- Independent power supplies for graphite furnace and high-intensity hollow cathode lamps

#### Regulatory Guidelines

- Compliant with EPA and CSA rules as well as Title 21 CFR part 11 requirements for electronic signatures

## Universal XYZ Autosampler

Aurora's extensive robotics experience has led to the creation of the most advanced autosampler on the market. This universal XYZ autosampler is compatible with all of the atomizers giving the most flexibility for automating protocols. The autosampler is fully capable of 3-dimensional movement and allows sampling from almost any container including bottles, tubes and microtiter plates (24, 96 and 384 well plates).

### Flame (F) Atomizer

Advanced features include:

- Fully inert Teflon spray chamber
- Titanium burner head
- Pre-adjusted high-efficiency nebulizer
- Automatic gas flow rate optimization
- Extensive safety interlocks

*Safety interlocks to detect:*

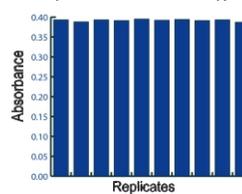
- Combustion head type
- Gas pressure
- Liquid trap level
- Flame status
- Atomizer installation

*Power outage protection:*

- Automatic gas valve closure
- Internal air tank to prevent flashback



Ten Replicate Measurements of 2 ppm Cu



Flame Atomizer

### Graphite Furnace (GF) Atomizer

Aurora utilizes a transversely-heated graphite furnace tube to ensure a perfectly uniform temperature distribution over the length of the tube. Transverse heating eliminates "memory effects", while lower atomization temperatures and shorter atomization times extend the graphite tube life.



Graphite Tube

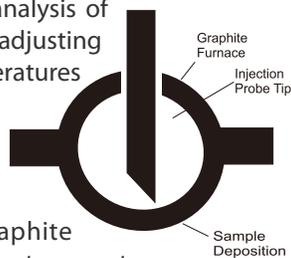
The digitally-controlled graphite furnace power supply enables maximum heating rates of up to 3800 K/s using as many as 30 programmable heating steps. This industry-leading heating rate ensures a more well-defined absorption peak with higher sensitivity, fewer matrix effects and decreased background noise.

### Advanced Temperature Control

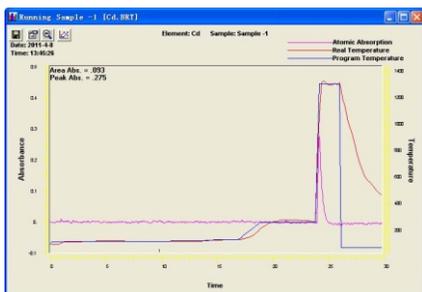
The specially-designed thermocouple temperature sensor provides accurate wide-range temperature control from room temperature up to 3000 °C.

## Fast Dry Furnace Technology

The Fast Dry technology allows analysis of one samples under 30 seconds. By adjusting the preheating and cooling temperatures and injection speeds, drying times are decreased.



Samples are injected at an optimized speed into the graphite furnace tube, which is preheated to a temperature higher than the solvent boiling point. Optimization of the sample injection speed and temperature results in decreased sample splattering and drying times. This in turn provides improved reproducibility, sensitivity and detection limits.



When used in conjunction with an autosampler, the absorbance value for 1 ppb cadmium is up to 0.45 Abs, with an RSD of less than 3%.

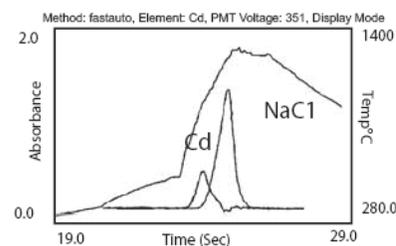
## Online Dilution

Online dilution allows for the creation of calibration curves from standard solutions using the digital micro-piston pump. This dramatically decreases sample preparation times and potential contamination.

## Background Correction

To resolve background interferences, the TRACE Series comes complete with the following background correction techniques:

- Deuterium
- Smith-Hieftje
- Time-resolved

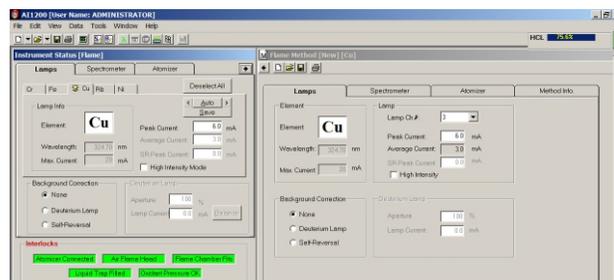


Clear, well-defined signals can be achieved using the time-resolved background correction.

## Software

### Key Features of the Software:

- Single and batch run modes
- Real-time data output
- Adjustable wavelength scanning range and speed
- LIMS support
- Title 21 CFR Part 11 compliance
- Data output to Excel



## Vapor/Hydride Generator (VG)

Aurora's vapor/hydride generator provides enhanced sensitivities, reduced interference and incredibly low detection limits for the determination of sub-trace levels of mercury and hydride-forming elements.



This system comes complete with an advanced gas-liquid separator which allows users to add a drying agent. By removing moisture, pressure fluctuations are minimized, thus enhancing the precision of measurements. Three mixing levels in the reaction/mixing manifold enable the convenient online addition of reagents required for acidity adjustments, pre-reduction/oxidation or masking of interferences.

## Automatic Control

The flame and graphite furnace atomizers are configured to allow for a quick changeover using Aurora's motorized switch. This switch eliminates human intervention while allowing for a quick and easy changeover - literally within seconds.



Mobile Platforms

The TRACE software is designed to give users complete control of all parameters required to achieve optimal instrument performance. The software's periodic-table-driven interface allows users to easily retrieve and modify the pre-developed method database.



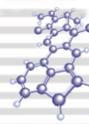
AI1200 Wavelength Scanning

The screenshot shows the 'Batch Operation Mode' window. It displays a table of results for various samples and standards. The table has columns for 'Sample', 'Element', 'Concentration', 'Absorbance', 'Peak Abs.', 'RSD', and 'Unit'.

Sample	Element	Concentration	Absorbance	Peak Abs.	RSD	Unit
1	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
2	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
3	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
4	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
5	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
6	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
7	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
8	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
9	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
10	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
11	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
12	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
13	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
14	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L
15	Cd	1.00	0.275	0.275	0.00	mg/L

AI1200 Batch Operation Mode

# Smart Solutions for Elemental Analysis



Model	<b>TRACE AI 1200</b> Trace AI 1200 F: F with optional GF, VG, and/or Autosampler		<b>TRACE 1800</b> Trace 1800 F/GF: F /Gfssystem and Autosampler, with optional VG	
	<b>Optics</b>	<b>Switchable single/double beam</b>	Compact optional design with switchable optic single/double beam	All-reflective, high efficiency optic design, switchable optic single/double beam
	<b>Monochromator</b>	Czerny-Turner		
	<b>Grating</b>	1200 line/mm	1800 line/mm	
	<b>Wavelength</b>	185-900nm		
	<b>Wavelength scan rate</b>	300nm/min	1200nm/min	
	<b>Lamps</b>	6 lamp turret with automatic lamp selection, 8 lamp 2-D motorized array with automatic lamp selection, positioning and alignment		
<b>Flame</b>	<b>Gas control</b>	Automatic gas control with auto ignition, optimization, and change-over		
	<b>Sensitivity</b>	2 mg/L Cu: Abs $\geq$ 0.4; RSD <0.5%		
	<b>On-line dilution</b>	Patented digitized flame online dilution		
<b>Graphite furnace</b>	<b>Heating</b>	Transversely-heated graphite tube, 3800K/s, up to 30 programmed steps		
	<b>GF video</b>	Optional GF monitor	Standard GF operation monitor	
<b>Auto sampler</b>	<b>Sample capacity</b>	Universal sample tube rack: 96, 384 well microplate compatible, up to 100 $\mu$ L		
	<b>Patented micro volume flame analysis</b>	Not available	Sample volume as low as 20 $\mu$ L for flame	
<b>Other</b>	<b>Safety</b>	Advanced safety features including: burner head identification, automatic gas control emergency gas shut down, gas pressure monitoring, flame sensor, over temperature and over current protection		
	<b>Dimensions</b>	750 $\times$ 600 $\times$ 370mm (without autosampler) 750 $\times$ 600 $\times$ 690mm (with autosampler)	840 $\times$ 685 $\times$ 735mm (with autosampler)	



Aurora has achieved ISO 9001 certification for the development, manufacturing and marketing of analytical instruments.



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