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Personal Air Sampling for Crystalline Silica Exposure





New OSHA Silica Standard Overview



- Effective 6/23/16
- New PEL is 50 µg/M3 for an 8 hour TWA
- Employers must provide engineering controls to limit the exposure to the PEL or lower
- Employers must provide PPE (i.e., respirators) whenever engineering controls are inadequate
- Employers must provide medical screening and training

OSHA Standard Overview Continued



- Compliance for construction industry by 6/23/17
- Compliance for general industry by 6/23/18
- Compliance for fracking by 6/23/21 (5 yrs) for engineering controls and 6/23/18 (2 yrs) for all else
- Air sampling is covered in Appendix A



Traditional Sampling Methods for Respirable Crystalline Silica

- NIOSH 7500: Crystalline Silica via XRD
- NIOSH 7601: Crystalline Silica via Visible Spec
- NIOSH 7602: Crystalline Silica via IR
- OSHA ID-142: Crystalline Silica via XRD
- Field methods were similar, but lab method varied

Traditional Cyclones for Respirable Silica Sampling

Dorr-Oliver 10 mmNylon Cyclone at 1.7LPM

Higgins-Dewell Cyclone at 2.2 LPM

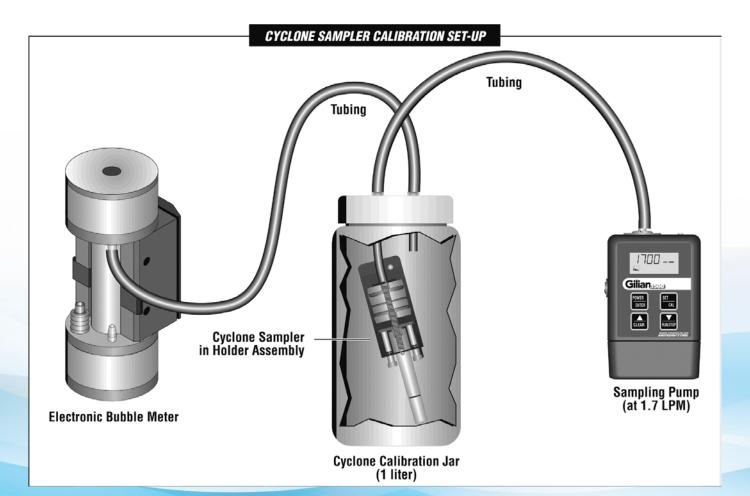
Aluminum Cyclone at2.5 LPM





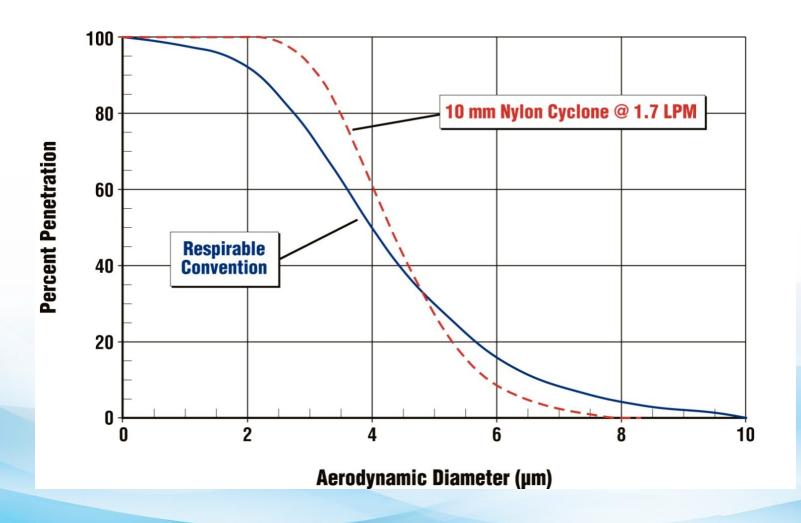
Cyclone Calibration Jar For Dorr-Oliver Cyclone





Particle Size Distribution-US ACGIH







High Flow Rate Cyclones

- GK 2.69 at 4.2 LPM (37mm NIOSH Cassette)
- GK 4.162 RASCAL at 9 LPM (47mm)
- FSP-10 at 11.2 LPM (37mm Euro Cassette)







NIOSH Testing of High Flow Cyclones



- Performance of High Flow Rate Samplers for Respirable Particle Collection; NIOSH; Lee, Kim, Chisolm, Slaven & Harper; Amer Occup Hyg; Vol 54, No. 6, 2010.
- Quartz Measurement in Coal Dust with High-Flow Rate Samplers: Laboratory Study; NIOSH; Lee, Lee, Kim, Chisolm, Kashon & Harper; Amer Occup Hyg; Vol 56, No. 4, 2011.
- Evaluation of the Penetration Characteristics of a High Flow Rate Personal Cyclone Sampler for NIOSH; Andrew Thorpe, Health & Safety Laboratory, UK, 12/19/2011

Gilian Cyclones



Cyclone Model	Part Number	Constructio n Material	Overall Height (mm)	Approximat e Weight in (Kg)	Flow rate ACGIH Respirable (50% @ 4 μm) (US)	Flow rate BMRC Respirable (50% @ 5 µm) (Europe)	Flow rate Thoracic (50% @ 10 µm)
10 mm Dorr- Oliver	800061	Nylon	160	0.08	1.7 LPM		
BGI-4L, HD style (US version)	811- 9924-01	Aluminum	105	0.15	2.2 LPM	2.0 LPM	1.0 LPM
FSP-2 HD style- European Version	811- 9930-01	Aluminum	130	0.14	2.2 LPM	2.0 LPM	
Medium flow rate GK 2.69 for 37 mm Cassettes	811- 9926-01	Aluminum	125	0.10	4.2 LPM		1.6 LPM
High flow rate RASCAL Cyclone with Plastic Filter Holder	811- 9925-01	Aluminum	170	0.26	8.5 to 9.5 LPM		
FSP-10, High flow rate cyclone	811- 9931-01	Aluminum	203	0.26	11.2 LPM	10 LPM	

Gilian 10i High Flow Sampling Pump





- \circ 4 10 LPM Flow Rates
- Backpressure Capability up to 50" H2O @ 4 LPM
- Intrinsically Safe Certified
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 Capability to 67" H2O @ 4LPM
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- Ideal for Sampling Trains
 Creating High Backpressure
 Across the Entire Sampling
 Period





Appendix A: Methods of Sample Analysis

- "This appendix specifies the procedures for analyzing air samples for respirable crystalline silica, as well as the quality control procedures that employers must ensure that laboratories use when performing an analysis required under 29 CFR 1926.1153 (d)(2)(v)".
- References the six methods as acceptable for the laboratory analysis methodology & specifies minimum QA.
- Makes the statement: "Optimizes methods and instruments to obtain a quantitative limit of detection that represents a value no higher than 25 percent of the PEL based on sample air volume".



Methods Listed in Silica Standard For Lab Reference

Method No.	Analysis	Published Limit of Detection
OSHA ID-142	XRD, Redeposition	12.0 μg/m3 (qtz)
NIOSH 7500	XRD, Redeposition	5 μg
NIOSH 7602	IR, KBr Pellet	5 μg
NIOSH 7603	IR, Redeposition	10 μg
MSHA P-2	XRD, Redeposition	20 μg
MSHA P-7	IR, Redeposition	20 μg



Limit of Detection

- The LOD for the lab method is listed in each sampling method (e.g., 5 μg of silica)
- The laboratory LOD should also be stated on the lab report in μg. Ask for it ahead of time
- Divide this weight by the sample volume to obtain the LOD in μg/M3
 ("...no higher than 25 percent of the PEL based on sample air volume")
- Sample volume may be calculated by flow rate X sample time (1.7 L/Min x 480 minutes = 816 L= 0.816 M3)
- In this example 5 μg of silica/ 0.816 M3 = 6.12 μg/M3



Methods Listed in Silica Standard and Calculated Limit of Detection

Method No.	Analysis	LOD (1.7LPM)
OSHA ID-142	XRD, Redeposition	12.0 μg/m3 (qtz)
NIOSH 7500	XRD, Redeposition	6.12 μg/m3 (8 hr)
NIOSH 7602	IR, KBr Pellet	6.12 μg/m3 (8 hr)
NIOSH 7603	IR, Redeposition	12.24 μg/m3 (8 hr)
MSHA P-2	XRD, Redeposition	24.48 μg/m3 (8 hr)
MSHA P-7	IR, Redeposition	24.48 μg/m3 (8 hr)

Air Sampling Review



- Must have a large enough sample to obtain a maximum limit of detection of 12.5 micrograms per cubic meter (i.e., 25% of 50 micrograms per cubic meter). "Optimize(s) methods and instruments..."
- Must use the analysis by XRD or IR, as described in the six listed methods.
- The laboratory must meet minimum specified QA requirements.

Air Sampling Equipment Review



- Always observe the cyclone flow rate specification for meeting the ACGIH size selection curve (50% at 4 microns).
- Always use a constant flow control pump that will keep the flow rate at +/- 5% of set flow.
- A medium flow cyclone can meet the detecting limit in a 4 to 8 hour sample and still be comfortable to wear.



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