Differential Electrochemical Mass Spectrometry is a technique that allows unique online analysis of gaseous and volatile products from electrochemical reactions. The Hiden DEMS system combines advanced electrochemical half cells with excellent performance in mass spectrometry to achieve outstanding analytical capabilities.

Key Features

- Compact bench-top mass spectrometer system
- Mass scanning, and time/intensity trend monitoring of multiple species
- Modular, user configurable system including DEMS cell
- Fast response (< 1 second), nano-porous electrolyte/MS interface
- DEMS off-gas analysis capillary sampling option with micro flow inlet
- Mass range: 200 amu is standard. 300 amu option

System Configuration & Options

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**DEMS Cells**

**Type A DEMS cell**

The Type A DEMS cell is optimised for ease of use and flexible experimentation setup. Its four ports allow for electrolyte flow and electrode plus sensor positioning close to the reaction area in between the working electrode and the membrane. Depending on application, the electrocatalyst can be deposited on the bottom side of the electrode or the vitreous carbon can be used as an inert electrode.

**Type B DEMS cell**

The Type B DEMS cell was designed in collaboration with E. Clark and A. Bell from UC Berkeley. The design optimises electrode configuration, electrolyte flow and membrane position for optimum analyses of electrochemical reactions. The lower chamber houses the membrane inlet to the MS, while the upper chamber contains the working and counter electrode, separated by an ion-conducting membrane. An additional port within the electrolyte inlet allows firm positioning of a reference electrode.
The DEMS system

Type A DEMS cell for materials/catalysis studies

Type B DEMS cell for electrochemical reaction studies

Dimensions in mm
Example data

Technical Data

Mass ranges, amu: 1-200 / 1-300 amu
Sensitivity: 100% to 100 ppb subject to spectral interference
Speed: Up to 650 measurements/second
Response time: <1 s (dependant on flow rate)
Software: MASsoft Professional
Windows 7/8/10 compatible
Interface: Ethernet/USB/Serial (RS-232) connections
Detector: Dual Faraday/Channeltron Electron Multiplier
Analogue input: 8x (optional)/16 bit
Analogue output: 8x (optional)/14 bit
Digital input: 8x
Digital output: 8x, 24 V
Dimensions (L x W x H), mm: 495 x 539 x 632 mm
Weight, kg: Typically 33 kg and external scroll pump 26 kg
Power requirement: 110/220/240 V AC, 50/60 Hz, 1.2 kVA

DEMS results obtained for CO₂-sparged 0.05 M K₂CO₃ electrolyte (pH = 6.8) with an electrolyte flow rate of 1 mL/min and a scan rate of 0.2 mVs. Further details are included in the ACS publication. E. L. Clark, M. R. Singh, Y. Kwon, and A. T. Bell (2015) ‘Differential Electrochemical Mass Spectrometer Cell Design for Online Quantification of Products Produced during Electrochemical Reduction of CO₂’ Anal. Chem., 87 (15), 8013–8020.
Hiden’s quadrupole mass spectrometer systems address a broad application range in:

**GAS ANALYSIS**
- dynamic measurement of reaction gas streams
- catalysis and thermal analysis
- molecular beam studies
- dissolved species probes
- fermentation, environmental and ecological studies

**SURFACE ANALYSIS**
- UHV TPD
- SIMS
- end point detection in ion beam etch
- elemental imaging – 3D mapping

**PLASMA DIAGNOSTICS**
- plasma source characterisation
- etch and deposition process reaction kinetic studies
- analysis of neutral and radical species

**VACUUM ANALYSIS**
- partial pressure measurement and control of process gases
- reactive sputter process control
- vacuum diagnostics
- vacuum coating process monitoring

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