

ChemSCAN Product Range

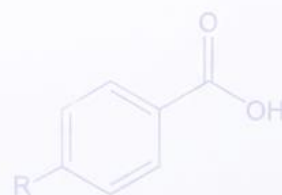
Parallel Reactor Systems for Screening at Pressure

Stirred reactor systems ideal for:

- Solid phase catalyst screening
- Catalytic process optimization
- Hydrogenation, carbonylation
- Hydroformylation
- Catalytic reductions and more

🔥 200+ °C max

🌀 200 bar max



H₂
CO
CO₂

Smarter Screening Starts Here: ChemSCAN Parallel Reactor Platform

The ChemSCAN platform delivers fast, automated catalyst and process screening in controlled reaction environments. Designed for chemists working across hydrogenation, carbonylation, syngas chemistry, and other challenging workflows, the ChemSCAN accelerates discovery while reducing hands-on time.

Why research chemists use the ChemSCAN

✓ Multi-Condition Screening, All at Once

Run up to 8 reactions in parallel under controlled pressure and temperature conditions. Compare catalysts, gases, feeds, and process variables side-by-side for rapid optimization and enhanced research insight.

✓ Independent Control for Every Reactor

Each vessel offers full control of:

- Temperature
- Pressure
- Agitation
- Gas flow / gas charging
- Liquid dosing
- Sampling

Ideal for multivariate DoE and high-throughput screening

✓ Gas & Liquid Feed Automation

Create multi-step gas and liquid addition profiles for deeper mechanistic understanding and enhanced reaction optimization.

✓ Gas Consumption Calculation

Software controlled system calculates gas consumed during key reaction stages with uptake sensitivity of ~0.04 mmol gas consumption (0.1 bar pressure change).

✓ Flexible Reactor Volumes

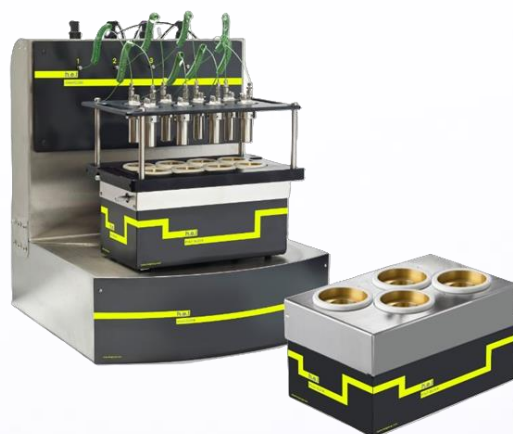
Choose 16 mL to 500 mL reactors in Stainless Steel or Hastelloy, giving you the scope to explore both early-stage screening and larger-scale evaluations.

✓ Engineered for Safety and Reliability

Built-in interlocks, pressure-relief systems, and rugged construction ensure safe operation across demanding chemistries, that last the test of time.

✓ Robust Platform for Demanding Conditions

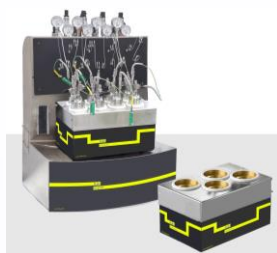
Operate reactions up to 200 °C and 200 bar with confidence. The system's durability makes it a strong long-term investment for any R&D environment.



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The ChemSCAN Family: Tailored Automation for High-Throughput Screening:

The ChemSCAN family represents a scalable suite of parallel reactor platforms designed to match the automation needs of modern catalytic development. From semi-automated control to fully automated multivariate experimentation, the range allows researchers to select the precise level of control needed for their process, and to upgrade capabilities as workflows evolve



ChemSCAN SA

Semi-automatic control of up to 8 reactor zones, enabling simultaneous operation with independent temperature and stirring, and controlled pressure profiling across reactors.



ChemSCAN+

Fully automatic control of up to 8 zones. Truly independent operations with individual temperature, stirring, and variable pressure control across reactors

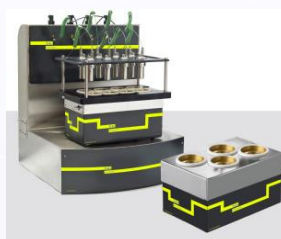
Part Automation

Screen > Optimize > Advanced automated independent control

Full Automation

ChemSCAN

Automatic control of up to 8 reactor zones, enabling simultaneous operation with true independent temperature, stirring, as well as controlled pressure profiling across reactors.



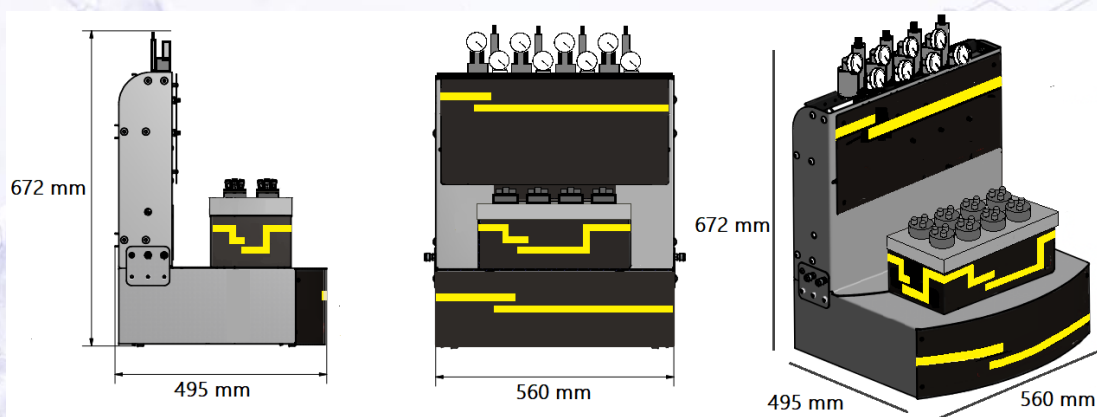
Instrument Comparison Table

Feature	ChemSCAN SA	ChemSCAN	ChemSCAN+
Temperature control	Independent	Independent	Independent
Pressure control	Manual, independent	Automated, independent	Automated, independent
Gas feeds + strategies	2, Shared	3, Shared	3, Individual
Liquid feeds + strategies	1, variable, independent	1, variable, independent	1, variable, independent
Best for:	Basic screens	Optimization	DoE & advanced catalysis

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Technical Specifications of the ChemSCAN SA Platform

	ChemSCAN 4 SA	ChemSCAN 8 SA
Platform Configuration	Compact Parallel	
Number of Zones	4	8
Reactor Vessel Volume Sizes	16, 25, 50, 75, 125, 300, 500 mL	16, 25, 50 mL
Working Volume	3 – 400 mL	3 – 40 mL
Temperature Range	Ambient – 200+ °C (–40 °C option with circulator)	
Pressure Range	1- 100 bar (optional 200 bar)	
Stirring Speed	120-1500 rpm, (reaction media dependent)	
Stirring	Magnetic agitation or overhead motorized stirring	
Vessel Material	Stainless Steel or Hastelloy	
Gas Feed	Inert and reactive, manually controlled in each reactor	
Liquid Feed	Optional	
Liquid Flow Rate	0.02 – 40 mL/min @100 bar and 0.01 – 20 mL/min @200 bar	



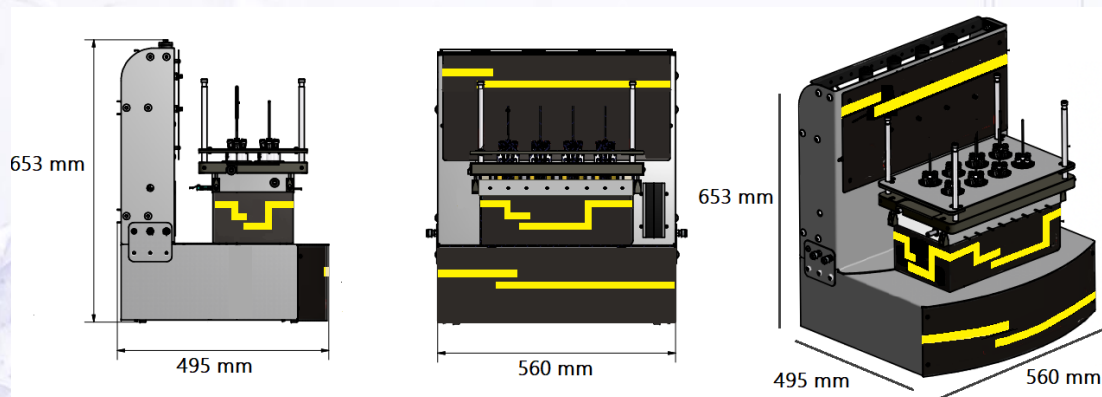
Semi-automatic multi-zone control:

Semi-automatic control of up to 8 reaction zones, enabling cost-effective parallel chemical screening

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Technical Specifications of the ChemSCAN Platform

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Stirring	Magnetic agitation or overhead motorized stirring	
Vessel Material	Stainless Steel or Hastelloy	
Gas Feed	Inert and reactive, shared across all reactors, automatically controlled	
Liquid Feed	Optional	
Liquid Flow Rate	0.02 – 40 mL/min @100 bar and 0.01 – 20 mL/min @200 bar	



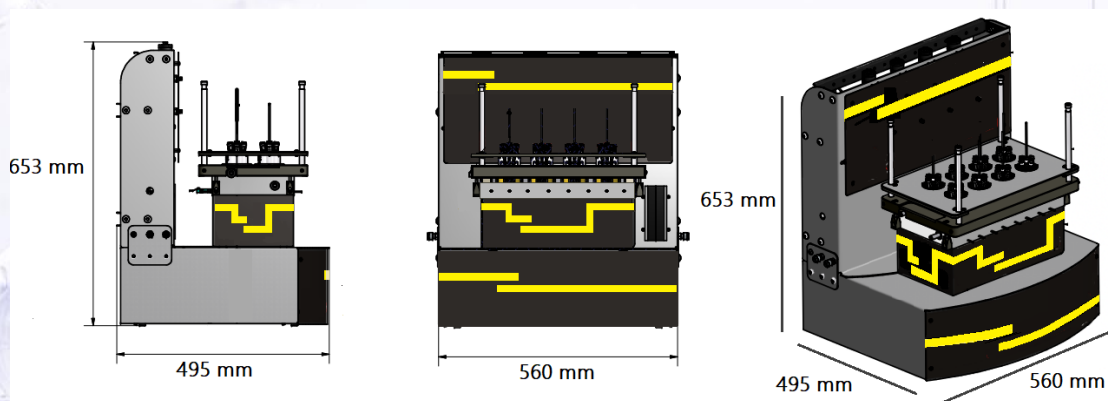
Controlled multi-zone operation:

Automated control of feed, pressure and temperature profiles in all reactor zones enables enhanced reaction insight and efficient process optimization

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Technical Specifications of the ChemSCAN + Platform

	ChemSCAN 4 +	ChemSCAN 8 +
Platform Configuration	Compact Parallel	
Number of Zones	4	8
Reactor Vessel Volume Sizes	16, 25, 50, 75, 125, 300, 500 mL	16, 25, 50 mL
Working Volume	2 – 400 mL	2 – 40 mL
Temperature Range	25 - 200 °C (–40 °C option with circulator)	
Pressure Range	1- 100 bar (optional 200 bar)	
Stirring Speed	120-1500 rpm, (reaction media dependent)	
Stirring Option	Magnetic agitation or overhead motorized stirring	
Vessel Material Option	Stainless Steel or Hastelloy	
Gas Feed	Inert and reactive, independent on each reactor, automatically controlled	
Liquid Feed	Optional	
Liquid Flow Rate	0.02 – 40 mL/min @100 bar and 0.01 – 20 mL/min @200 bar	



Fully automated multi-zone control:

Independent feeding, venting, purging, and pressure and temperature profile in each reactor provides maximum flexibility for complex reaction control and deeper reaction insight

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Reactor Vessel Options

ChemSCAN Reactor Vessels - Common Specifications

Material: Stainless Steel SS316 or Hastelloy HC276

Pressure Rating: 200 bar

Temperature Rating: 350 °C

Impellor: PTFE Anchor, Metal Narrow, Magnetic Anchor

Stirring option: Magnetic Agitation



16 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 2-12 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 4 additional ports

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 8, 8+, 4 SA, 8 SA

25 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 7-20 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 4 additional ports

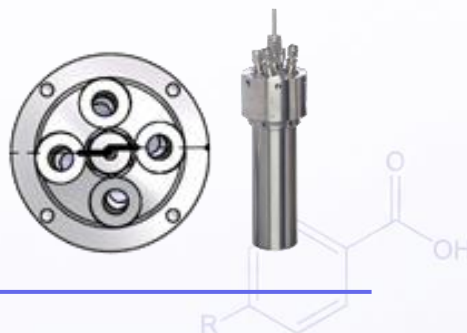
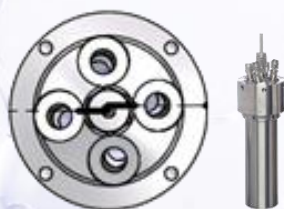
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50 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 9-40 mL

Ports: Central port for Impellor and 4 additional ports

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 8, 8+, 4 SA, 8 SA



75 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 10.5-55 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 5 additional ports

Stirring: Overhead

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 4 SA

125 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 10.5-100 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 5 additional ports

Stirring: Overhead

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 4 SA,

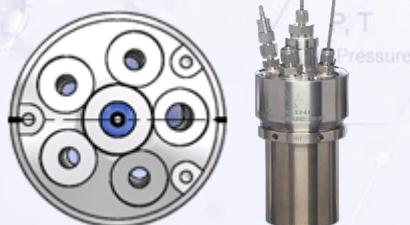
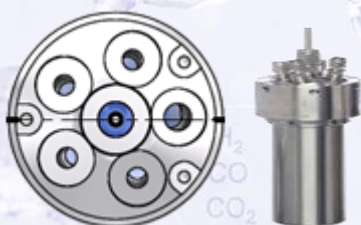
300 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 18.5-250 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 5 additional ports

Stirring: Overhead

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 4 SA



Vessel Options contd.

500 mL Vessel

Working Volume: 125-400 mL

Ports: Central port for impellor and 5 additional ports

Stirring option: Overhead

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, 4 SA



CAT Systems

CAT18

Working Volume: 0.2 - 1.3 mL

No. of Vials: 18

Stirring option: Magnetic stirring

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, SA

CAT 24

Working Volume: 0.2 - 1.3 mL

No. of Vials: 24

Stirring option: Magnetic stirring

Platform: ChemSCAN 4, 4+, SA

CAT 18

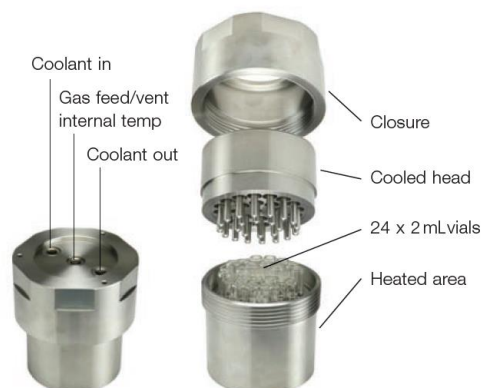
Uses 18 x 2 mL HPLC vials (with or without Septa) but without refluxing features



CAT 24

Head fitted with coolant connection

"Cold fingers" condense vapours and minimize cross contamination



Sensors

A range of sensor types can be deployed to allow a high degree of control and monitoring of your reactions. The ChemSCAN product family has sensors for:

- Temperature
- pH
- DO
- Conductivity
- Redox



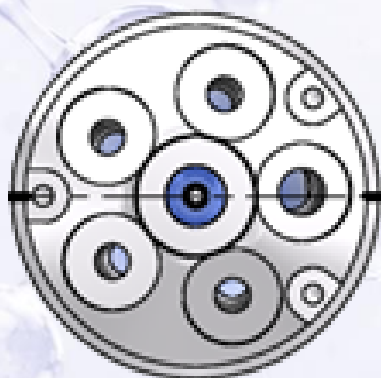
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Vessel Port Options



M40 lid: 4 ports



M75 lid: 5 ports

Choose between a range of sensors and lines to fit the number of ports on two lid types:

- Temperature
- pH
- DO
- Conductivity
- Redox
- Liquid dosing
- Gas feed
- Sampling

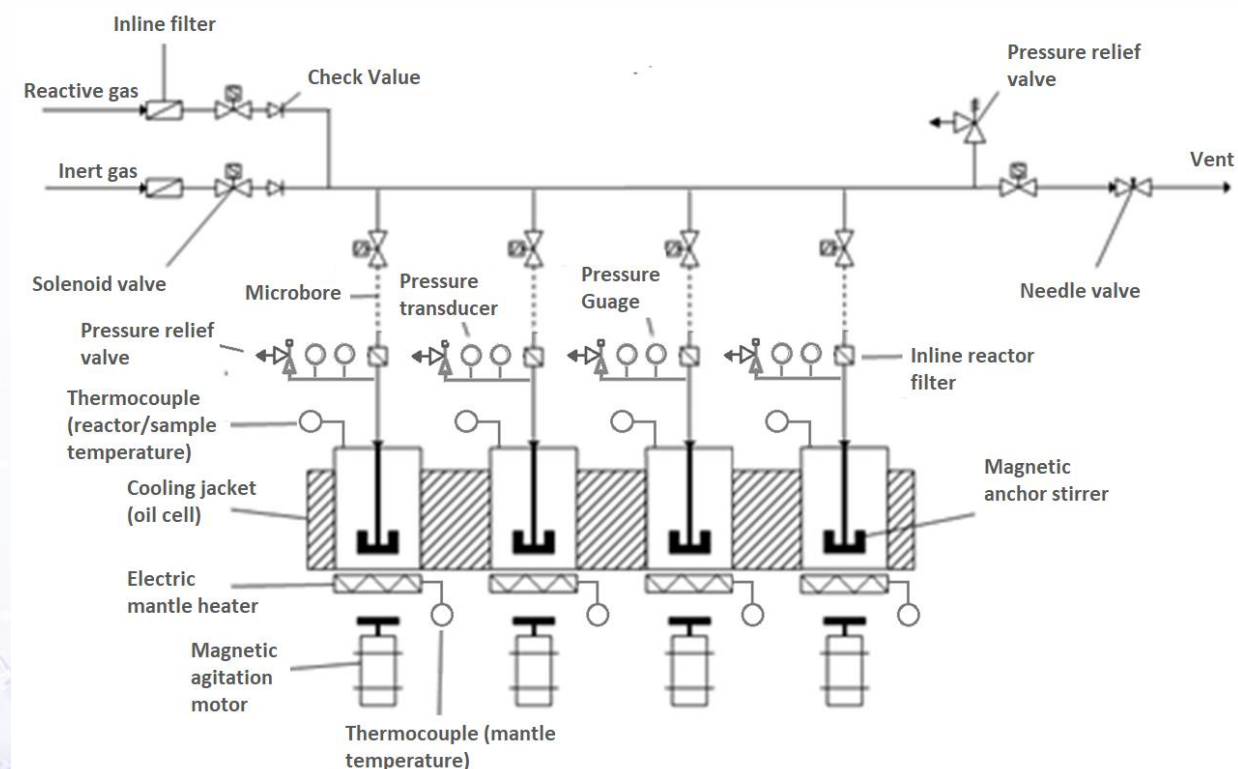
Central port is for the stirring shaft.

Sensor and port compatibility depends on the selected lid configuration and operating conditions. Not all sensors are suitable for high temperatures, high pressures, or highly acidic or alkaline chemistries. Please speak to a HEL specialist to confirm the most suitable configuration for your application.

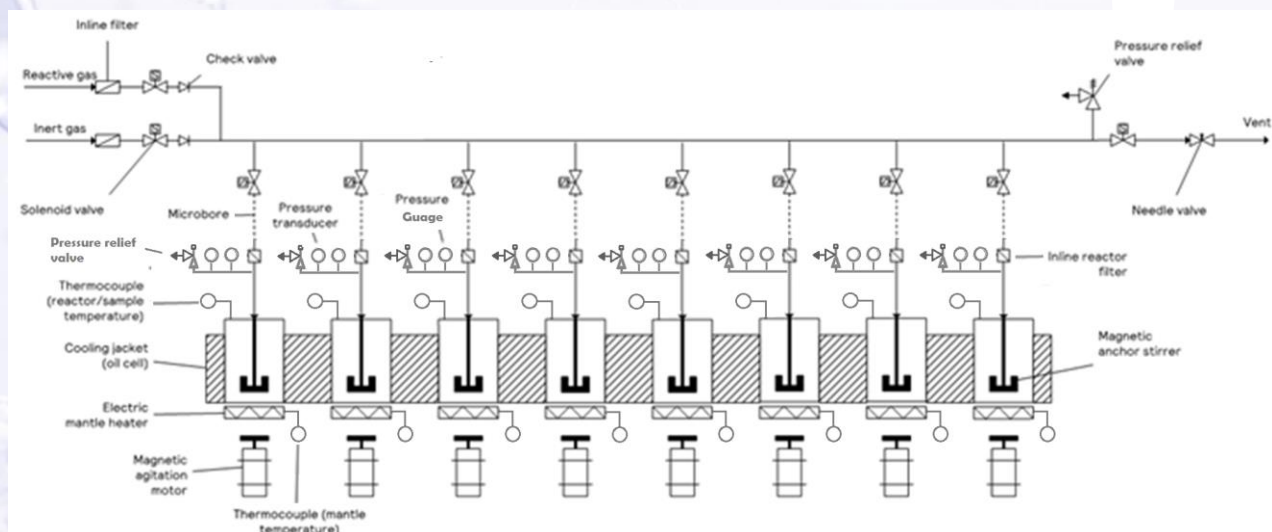
ChemSCAN Schematic

The ChemSCAN platform can have various configurations tailored to your chemical screening applications.

PID of ChemSCAN 4 with individual gas lines for each reactor



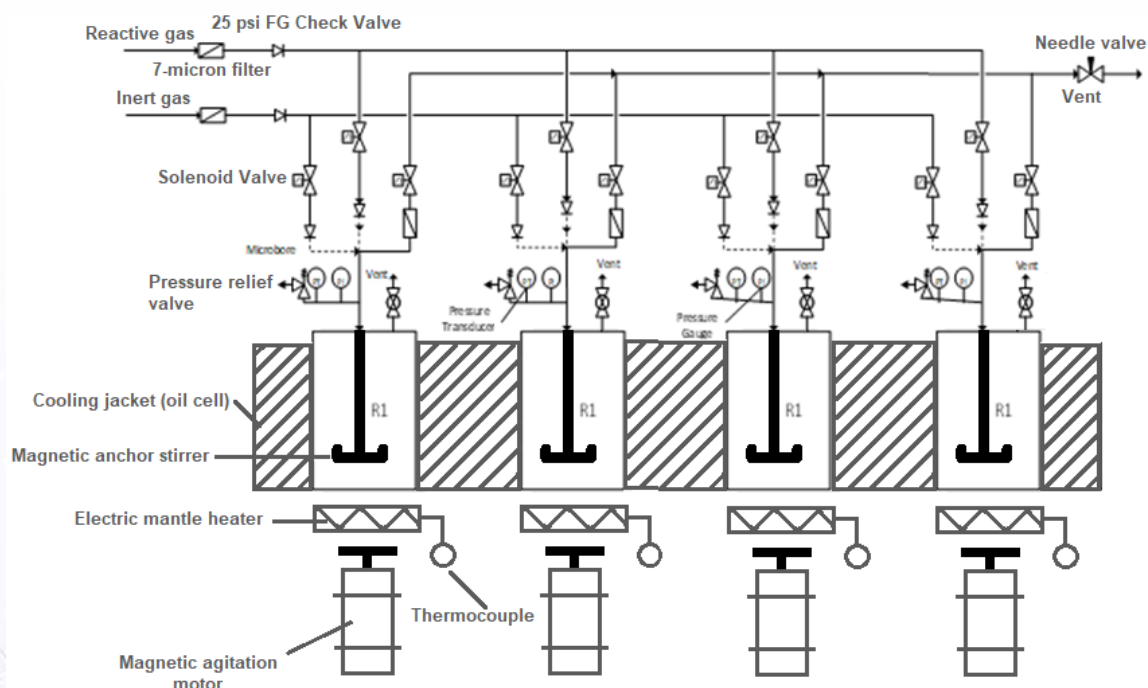
PID of ChemSCAN 8 with individual gas lines for each reactor



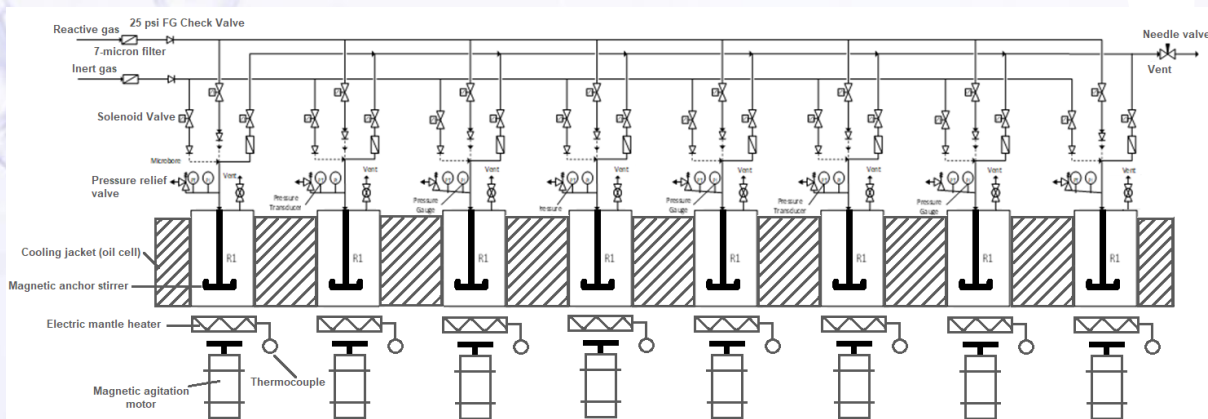
ChemSCAN+ Schematic

The ChemSCAN+ systems provide enhanced customization via a broader range of configuration options, making them well suited to complex chemical screening applications.

PID of ChemSCAN 4+ with individual gas lines for each reactor



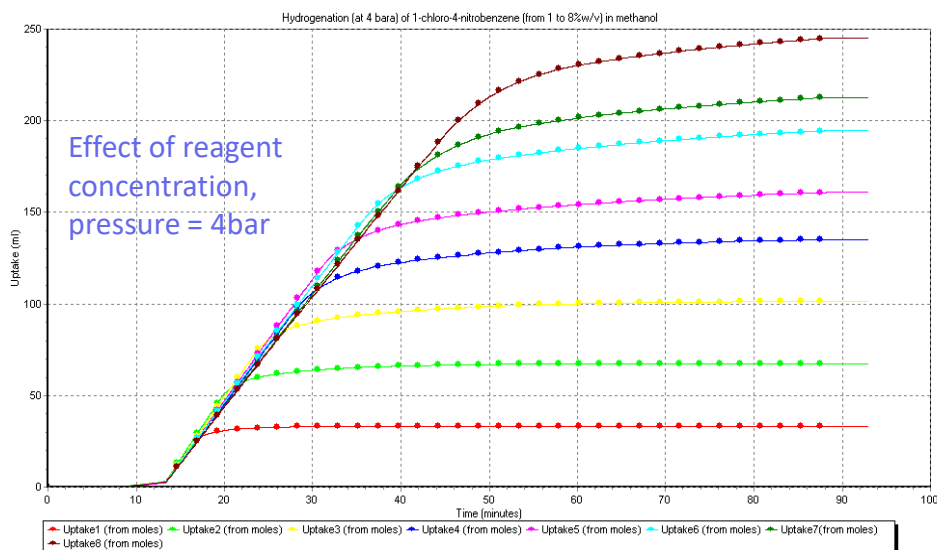
PID of ChemSCAN 8+ with individual gas lines for each reactor



Accelerate Catalyst Screening with Real-Time Hydrogen Uptake Profiling

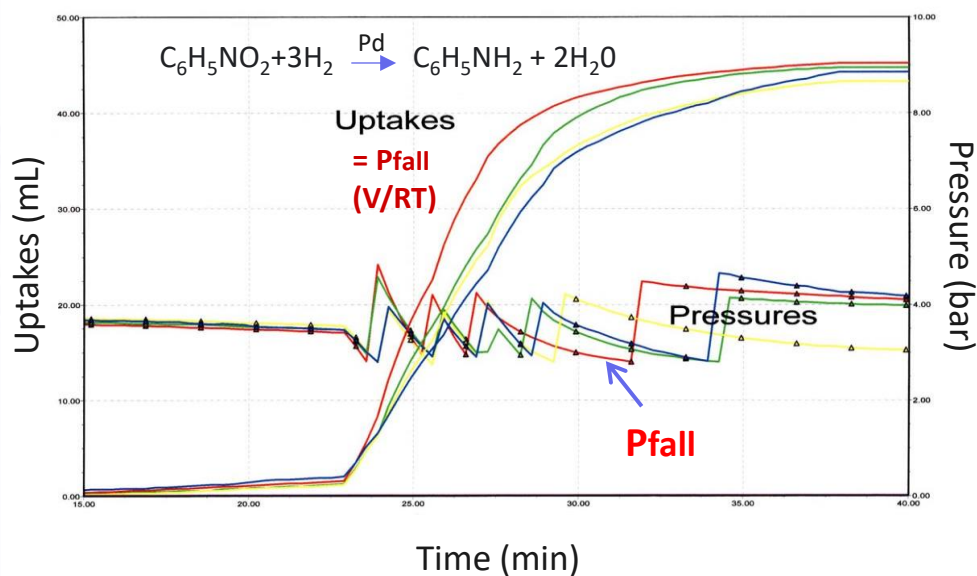
The ChemSCAN enables rapid, data-rich optimization of catalytic hydrogenation reactions. By running these experiments in parallel rather than sequentially, researchers can identify optimal concentrations, reaction rates, and performance trends in a fraction of the time traditionally required.

Hydrogenation of 1-Chloro-4-Nitrobenzene at 4 bar



Eight different reagent concentrations, in a single run can be evaluated simultaneously under identical pressure and temperature conditions. The system is able to capture real-time hydrogen uptake profiles, providing immediate visibility into reaction kinetics, catalyst behavior, and conversion efficiency.

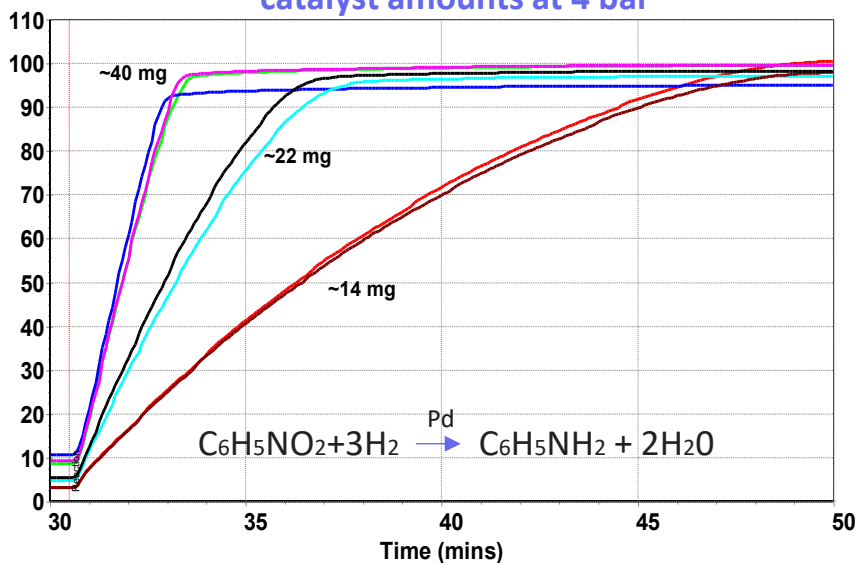
Hydrogenation 6 % w/w Nitrobenzene in Methanol controlled at 3 bar



High-Throughput Hydrogenation: Evaluate Catalyst Amounts and Temperatures in One Run

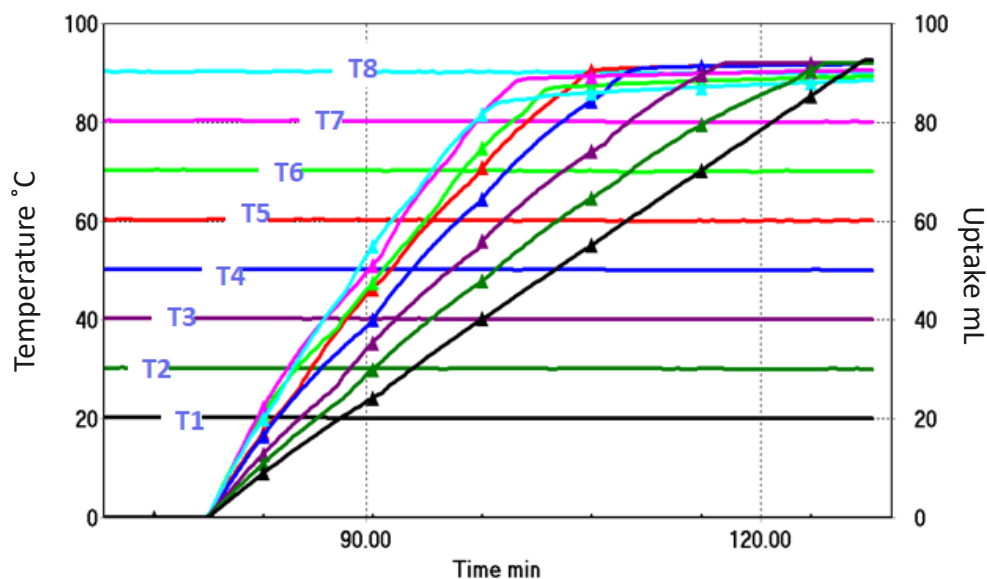
The ChemSCAN and WinISO software makes catalyst screening faster, clearer, and more data-driven. By running multiple catalyst loadings simultaneously, the system shows, in real time how increasing catalyst quantity dramatically accelerates hydrogen uptake and reaction completion.

Hydrogenation of Nitrobenzene in Decanol, with different catalyst amounts at 4 bar



For researchers, this means rapid identification of the optimal catalyst loading, reduced experiment time, and reliable kinetic data from every run, all generated automatically under controlled temperature and pressure.

Hydrogenation of Nitrobenzene at different temperatures at 5.4 bar



WinISO for Catalyst Screening



WinISO Intelligent Software Control and Analysis

- User-friendly WinISO control software enables data logging, multi-step recipes, parameter control, and feedback loops.
- The software provides real-time reaction kinetics insight and responsive intelligence with an intuitive interface that needs minimal training.
- Full software control of pressure, temperature, and feed rates of liquid and gas in real time.
- Edit conditions at any time without stopping, allowing for changing reaction conditions with little to no downtime.
- Integral safety features that allow the user to stop the reactions or make corrective interventions, saving time and potentially expensive starting material.

Safety Features

- User-configurable audible alarms and shutdown states to ensure user safety.
- Emergency Pressure Relief Valve (PRV).

Third-Party Analytical Instrument Integration

- The WinISO interface allows the integration of controls of analytical equipment (e.g., GC-MS, HPLC, MS) and the possibility of including feedback control based on the analytical results.

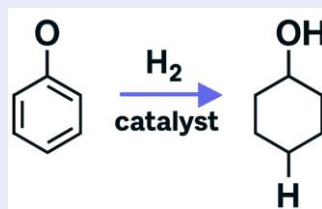
Application Categories to Accelerate Catalysis Research using the ChemSCAN Product Range

The ChemSCAN platform supports a wide spectrum of catalytic and synthetic chemistry, enabling rapid optimization, safe operation, and data-rich insight across numerous industrial and research workflows.

Hydrogenation & Reductive Chemistry

Applications:

- ✓ Catalyst screening for hydrogenations
- ✓ Optimising reductive amination conditions
- ✓ High-pressure kinetic studies
- ✓ Real-time gas uptake analysis



CO & CO₂-Based Catalysis

Applications:

- ✓ Carbonylation and hydroformylation
- ✓ Syngas conversion studies
- ✓ CO₂ utilization and reduction catalysis
- ✓ Comparing catalyst performance under varied gas compositions



Polymerisation & Materials Chemistry

Applications:

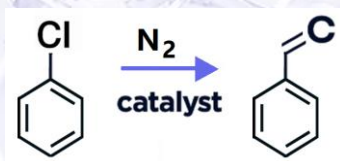
- ✓ Parallel optimization of polymerization conditions
- ✓ Studying catalyst lifetimes and initiation rates
- ✓ Screening solvent and monomer systems
- ✓ Evaluating temperature and pressure effects on yields



Oxidation, C–C Coupling & General Catalysis

Applications:

- ✓ Catalytic oxidation profiling
- ✓ C–C bond formation reaction optimization
- ✓ High-throughput screening of ligand/catalyst combinations
- ✓ Multivariable DOE for mechanism insight



ChemSCAN Versatility: Comprehensive Reaction Screening for Today's Chemistry Challenges

Hydrogen-based reactions

- Hydrogenation
- Hydrogenolysis
- Reductive amination
- Transfer hydrogenation
- Hydrodesulfurization
- Hydrodenitrogenation
- Hydrodeoxygenation
- Dehalogenation

Carbon monoxide / carbonylation family

- Hydroformylation
- Carbonylation
- Alkoxy carbonylation
- Reductive carbonylation
- Carbonylative coupling
- Tandem hydroformylation–hydrogenation

CO₂-based reactions

- CO₂ hydrogenation
- Carboxylation
- Urea/carbamate formation

Syngas / C1 reactions

- Fischer–Tropsch model reactions
- Methanol synthesis model
- Syngas upgrading
- Higher alcohol formation

Oxidation reactions

- Aerobic oxidation
- Oxidative dehydrogenation
- Epoxidation
- Oxidative cleavage
- Aerobic C–H activation

Ammonia / amine reactions

- Reductive amination
- Ammoximation
- Hydroaminomethylation
- Amination of alcohols
- Aminocarbonylation

Light-gas reactions

- Alkene oligomerisation
- Alkane activation
- Hydrofunctionalisation of olefins
- Dehydrogenation

Catalyst screening processes

- Parallel heterogeneous catalyst screening
- Reaction-order and kinetics profiling
- Catalyst deactivation studies
- Mixed-gas testing

Polymerisation & oligomerisation

- Pressure-enabled polymerisation
- Coordination polymerisation screens
- Solution/step-growth polymerisations

High-temperature / pressure-enabled chemistry

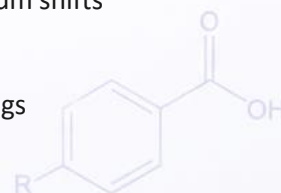
- Superheated-solvent reactions
- Pressure-driven equilibrium shifts
- Esterification/amidation
- Condensation reactions
- Cyclizations / ring openings
- Solvolysis

Gas–liquid–solid multiphase

- Slurry catalysis
- Crystallisation under pressure
- Gas solubility studies
- Gas absorption kinetics

Specialised / mechanistic

- Gas uptake kinetic studies
- Catalyst selectivity mapping



The reactions listed are representative examples based on the general high-pressure, high-temperature, and gas and liquid handling capabilities of the ChemSCAN platform. Actual applicability depends on the specific system configuration, materials compatibility, and operating conditions

Upgrades, Support, and Training

We understand that your needs can change over time and you may require:

- A system upgrade
- Training for new team members
- Support on your processes
- To book some time with our service team

Our dedicated service team and highly knowledgeable technical staff will work with you to find the right solution.



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