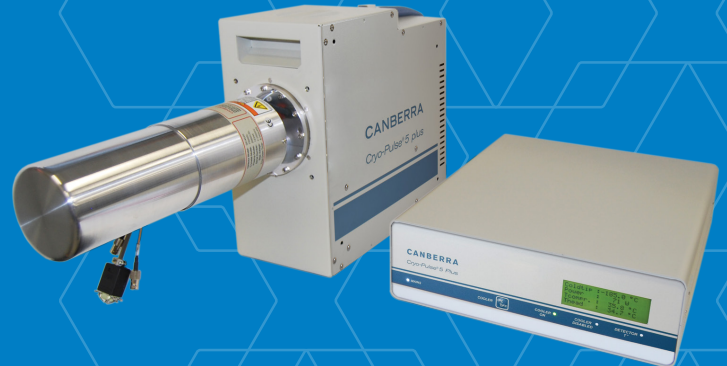




Cryo-Pulse[®] 5 Plus

Electrically Refrigerated Cryostat



The Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus unit is an electrically powered cryostat for use with HPGe radiation detectors. It utilizes a pulse tube cooler, a highly reliable technology originally used in military and space applications and which has proven its value for germanium detectors in the original Cryo-Pulse 5 cryostat.

Like its predecessor, the Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus unit consists of a cold head assembly, to which the detector is attached, and an external power controller. The basic external design and interface of the coldhead were preserved to maximize interchangeability between the previous and the current version. The coldhead internals and the controller were completely redesigned and new features added to further improve the performance and reliability of the system.

A pulse-tube cooler contains CFC free, non-flammable gas and is hermetically sealed – no gas refill required. The compressor contains no oil or lubricant, so no contamination of the refrigerant occurs and no periodic filter exchange is required. This makes the Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus cryostat completely maintenance free.

FEATURES

- ✓ Completely LN₂ free
- ✓ 5-year full warranty on coldhead
- ✓ Non-CFC/non-flammable refrigerant
- ✓ MTTF > 3,000,000 hours
- ✓ No maintenance required
- ✓ Low power demand
- ✓ Low vibration/low noise
- ✓ Compact and lightweight
- ✓ No compromise on detector specifications
- ✓ Remote read-out
- ✓ Pulse-tube technology
- ✓ Optional water-cooling for use up to +50 °C
- ✓ Safety
- ✓ Low operating cost
- ✓ High availability
- ✓ Expanded field of applications
- ✓ Quiet: < 55 dB(A) at 1 m

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The cooler is integrated in a compact coldhead-assembly which is directly attached to the detector housing. The unit can operate in all orientations. The coldhead-assembly is connected to a benchtop power controller that produces the necessary output voltage to drive the compressor. The controller contains an auto ranging power supply at 100-240 V and 50 or 60 Hz. In addition to the relay output, the new controller is also equipped with a RS-232 serial interface to connect to a PC. A dedicated GUI allows remote control and status monitoring. Two BNC-connectors are located on the rear panel to combine the inhibit signal of the preamplifier and the controller for enhanced detector protection. The Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus controllers are backwards compatible with the previous Cryo-Pulse 5 model coldheads.

A pulse tube cooler operates with a pressure wave instead of a piston, virtually eliminating wear and vibrations. This means pulse tube coolers are extremely reliable (MTTF of about 3,000,000 hours) and have a demonstrated life time of over 100 000 hours or 11 years of operation. This lifetime estimation is documented in a paper found under 'Detectors' in the Technical Literature section of the Mirion website.

Although the compressor already produces very low vibration levels, all efforts are done to reduce these even more. Apart from shock mounts to isolate the compressor from the rest of the cooler and the detector housing, the Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus cryostat is equipped with an active vibration reduction system.

An accelerometer inside the coldhead measures the vibrations generated by the compressor and feeds this signal back to the controller. The controller then adjusts the drive signal to the cooler so that vibrations are minimized. The system is even self-tuning such that it adapts to possible changes of the system's vibration characteristics over time.

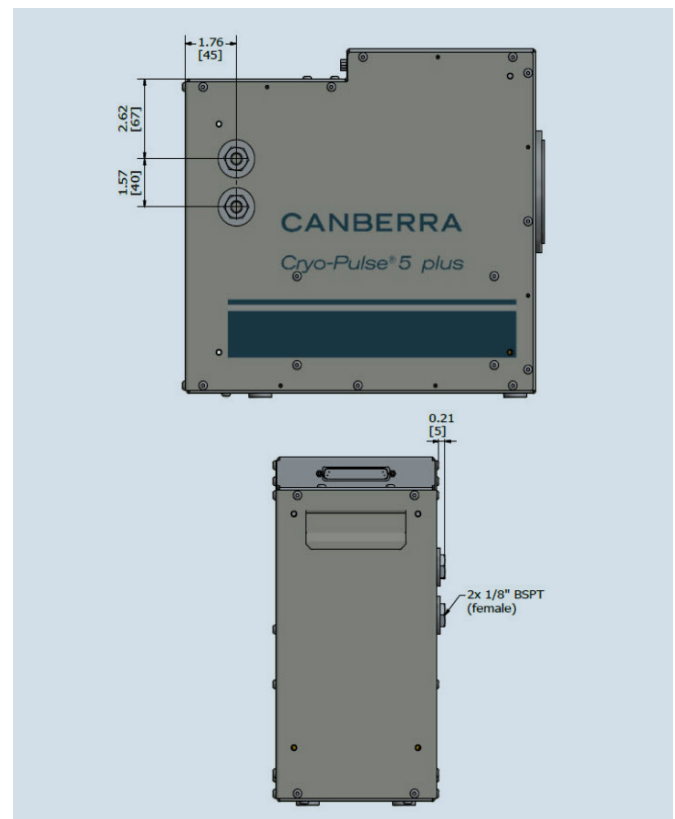
Our confidence in the Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus unit is demonstrated by the 5-year full warranty on the coldhead, in addition to the two year full warranty on the controller and the detector (in case of a new detector purchased together with a new CP5-PLUS unit).

WATER COOLED OPTION

The Cryo-Pulse 5 plus coldhead can be equipped with water cooled heat sinks instead of the standard internal cooling fans. The water cooled option has two major advantages. The coldhead can now be used in ambient temperatures up to +50 °C and the heat (± 100 W in nominal operation) can be dissipated away from the detector system.

For the power controller the maximum operating temperature is limited to +40 °C. With the 3 m or optional 7.5 m cable, the controller can be located away from the detector and cryostat and outside of the hotter area.

The water cooled coldhead is fitted with 2x male 3/8 in. BSP threaded fittings for the inlet and outlet of the coolant. A closed loop chiller and external coolant flow lines need to be provided separately. The type of chiller and external flow lines depend on each specific installation: expected ambient temperature for the chiller, distance between coldhead and chiller, number of coldheads to be cooled on a single chiller, etc. Desired adaptor pieces to the desired inlet and outlet fitting, such as a compression fitting or quick-disconnect, can be added to the male 3/8 in. BSP threads.



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SPECIFICATIONS

PHYSICAL

Cold Head:

- (Excluding detector chamber)
- Dimensions – 145 x 287 x 313 mm (5.7 x 11.3 x 12.3 in.) (W x H x D)
- Weight – 17 kg (37.5 lb) approx

Power Controller:

- Dimensions – 280 x 88 x 315 mm (11 x 3.5 x 12.4 in.)
- Weight – 5.3 kg (11.6 lb)
- Power Controller Cable Length – 3 m (10 ft)

Option:

- Model CP5PLUS-C-25 – Controller Cable 7.5 m (24.5 ft)

POWER

Power Requirements:

- 100–240 V ac, 50–60 Hz (auto ranging power supply)
- < 100 W nominal
< 200 W max. (during cool down)
- Fuse – 2x T3.15 A 250 V

Connectors:

- 2X BNC-F – HV-inhibit.
- RS-232 – Remote control and status read-out (USB/RS-232 adapter provided)
- DB15-F – Relay output – cooler status and warm/cold indication

ENVIRONMENTAL

Cooling:

- Standard version: forced air (internal fans).
- Optional: water-cooled heat sinks
- Coolant inlet and outlet fittings: 1/8 in. female BSPT
- Max. coolant pressure: 10 bar (145 psi) – or as limited by the selected chiller unit
- Max. coolant inlet temperature: +30 °C (86 °F)
- Min. coolant inlet temperature: above dew point temperature to avoid condensation inside the unit
- Min. coolant flow rate: 1 l/min (0.26 gpm)
- Coolant: water with corrosion inhibitor or de-ionized water

Operating Temperature:

- +5 to +40 °C (41 to 104 °F) on standard models and configurations
- With water-cooled option: +5 to +50 °C (41 to 122 °F)

Audible Noise:

- < 55 dB(A) at 1 m

Available Detector Models and Options:

- Cryo-Pulse 5 Plus unit can be ordered with all standard GC-, GX-, GR-, BE-, GL-, GUL-, GSW- detector models (see applicable detector specification sheets for details)
- The RDC-option is only available on flanged cryostat models (see Cryostat specification sheets)

Performance:

- Mirion guarantees detector performance as, warranted by detector model with cooler in operation.

ORDERING INFORMATION:

- CP5-PLUS Cryo-Pulse 5 plus
- CP5-PLUS/W Water Cooled Cryo-Pulse 5 plus (*)

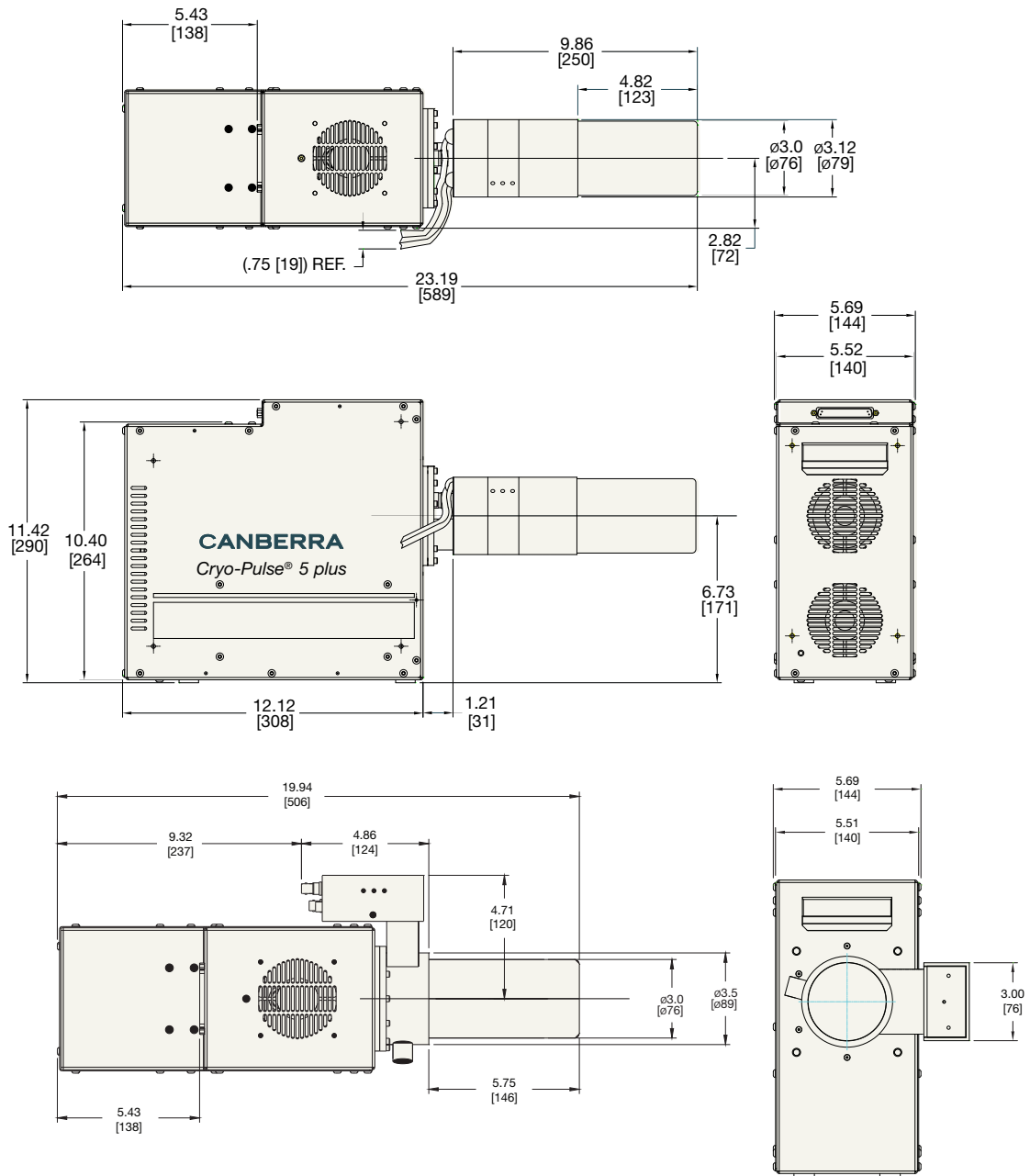
(*) Chiller and external coolant flow lines to be provided separately.

LEGe/BEGe, Nom. Area (mm ²)	End Cap Diameter, mm [in.]
=<2000	76 [3.0]
2800	83 [3.25]
3800	89 [3.50]
5000	102 [4.0]
6500	114 [4.50]

Coax Rel. Efficiency (%)	End Cap Diameter, mm [in.]
=<40	76 [3.0]
40-50	83 [3.25]
50-70	89 [3.50]
70-100	95 [3.75]
100-120	102 [4.0]
120-150	108 [4.25]
150	114 [4.50]

End cap dimensions depend on detector size. The tables above show the typical surface area or efficiency range vs. end cap diameter. End cap lengths are also greater for larger detectors. Consult the factory if end cap size is critical in your application.

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