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FLUIDION® ALERT LAB (PORTABLE E.COLI ANALYZER)

The autonomous mobile microbiology analysis lab

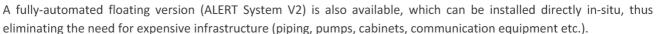
The FLUIDION ALERT LAB is a fully portable, autonomous and remotely-controllable analyzer for the measurement of E. coli and other bacteria. Suitable for source water and environmental monitoring at a field location, in a moving vehicle, or in a lab, it performs six measurements using a 12V power source or battery. The ALERT LAB enables rapid bacterial enumeration immediately following water sampling by field personnel.

A miniaturized mobile microbiology lab

The ALERT LAB from *fluidion* is a unique analyzer capable of automatic processing and measurement of a manually-collected fluid sample. It performs automatic incubation, optical monitoring (multispectral absorbance and fluorescence) and wireless data transmission, providing rapid bacterial enumeration. The ALERT LAB greatly simplifies measurement logistics, eliminates the need for sample refrigeration during transportation prior to standard laboratory measurements, and minimizes errors due to sample degradation between collection and measurement. It has been shown to have similar accuracy and repeatability to an approved laboratory using MPN methods.

On-demand analysis in the field, on-the-go, or in a lab

The ALERT LAB can be used in a variety of settings for quantifying E. coli, Total Coliforms, Fecal Coliforms or Enterococci presence in lakes, rivers, coastal water, catchment sites or in water treatment plants. It can be operated on a rechargeable battery at a remote field location, powered via a vehicle's power on-the-go, or plugged into an electrical outlet in a laboratory setting. Capable of carrying out six independent measurements on a battery charge, full water quality monitoring at remote field locations is considerably simplified while minimizing cost and time-to-result. The mobile ALERT LAB is extremely portable and fully operational out-of-the-box.



A fast and reliable response

The ALERT LAB provides a quantified response in terms of bacteria/100 mL present in the sampled water, that has been validated through numerous side-by-side studies with approved laboratories. The system implements Fluidion's multispectral optical detection technology, which ensures high accuracy consistent measurements and rapid time-to-result. Triggered via mobile phone through an online command portal, the analyzer measures a wide range of concentrations, sends data wirelessly and can generate automatic alerts if a control threshold is exceeded in order to enable greater operator responsiveness.

Fluidion® is a high-technology company that designs and manufactures innovative sample collection and chemical/microbiological in-line and in-situ analysis instruments for water quality monitoring and environmental applications. The core technology relies on Fluidion's proprietary patented fluidic and sampling systems.

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Dimensions	26cm X 24cm X 17cm 10.2" X 9.6" X 6.6"	Total measurements	6 in parallel
Weight	3.7kg; 8 lbs	Response time	2 h – 14 h
Measurement trigger	On-demand	Environmental conditions	-10 °C to 40 °C
Parameters	E.coli, Total or fecal coliforms; Enteroccoci	Communication	Global SIM card, USB
Measurement range	4 CFU – 5×10 ⁵ CFU/100 mL	Antenna	Internal/External (opt.)
Materials	PMMA, PVC, Acetal, SST 316L	Power source	Li Ion battery, AC power, 12V car socket

ALERT command portal and cloud interface

The ALERT LAB uses a wireless communication protocol based on the cellular network for both system configuration and data management. The system can be fully configured from an operator cell phone using an intuitive online command portal, and can generate email alerts. Real-time data is sent via the cellular network to a secure cloud-based data analytics and visualization server (installation in client datacenter possible as an option). In case there is no cell coverage in the installation area, the system can be pre-configured from a PC via the USB interface, and data can be sent via serial protocols such as RS232 (optional).



Usage examples







Left: ALERT LAB being used in a water quality analysis laboratory. **Middle**: The equipment during a field operation, analyzing six samples simultaneously. **Right**: ALERT LAB as used by regulatory agency agent in the field.

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