

IPPS IM (ESCT - TESTER)

for automatic simulation of the Environmental Stress Crack Test on plastic closures

Wherever beverage packages are made or used, pressure and leak tests are a vital part of quality control. The Steinfurth IPPS-IM is a powerful tool for testing pressure resistance and sealing properties of closures under adverse conditions such as elevated temperatures or exposure to chemicals. The IPPS-IM performs the so-called "Leak Test" (Environmental Stress Crack Test on Closures). Up to 72 samples can be tested simultaneously.

Operation:

The samples consist of closures screwed onto PET preforms featuring the original threads. Before any test, these PET preforms must be fitted with special <u>pneumatic quick couplings</u>. The sample preforms are fitted to the work benches with their closures on top. First, the IPPS-IM pressurizes the samples with a <u>defined testing pressure</u>, after which a shut-off valve isolates the sample from the pressure source. Afterwards, the pressure inside each sample is constantly monitored and recorded. If the pressure inside a sample drops under a defined limit (<u>permitted pressure drop</u>), the sample will be re-pressurized by the shut-off valve opening for a short period, after which it will be isolated again.



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Benefits:

- Defined pressure generation with linear passages or defined pressure jumps
- Easy implementation of standard tests
- Automated pressure monitoring
- Flexible programing
- Menu driven operation
- Pressure outlet with water separators
- Full color graphical touch screen
- Measuring data export over Ethernet-connection and FTP-Server

Technical Data:

Pressure range:	010 bars
Pressure source:	12 bar
Number of samples: Resolution:	1-72 (up to 9 benches) 0.1 bar
Media:	neutral gases

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