# QC Advances in the Pharma ICP Laboratory

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#### 21CFR Part 11 Compliant

- That all experimental protocols are clearly documented and identified.
- That the system has been validated to operate correctly.



## Control of Parameters in ICP-OES Parameter Accuracy

- Wavelength:
- Forward RF power:
- Gas flows:
- Detector temp:
- Spray chamber temp:
- Sample uptake:

- 0.001-0.002nm
- 1-2 watts
- 0.01%
- 0.1 degree Celsius
- ?????
- ?????



#### Intensity vs. Chamber Temperature PE 2100DV (1.0ml/min uptake)





#### Temperature Plots on PE 2100DV





#### Effect of Temperature on Intensity 20ul/min uptake rate



133% increase from 21 to 40C or 7% per degree C



#### IsoMist<sup>™</sup> Programmable Temperature Spray Chamber (PTSC)



#### IsoMist on Optima 2100DV

![](_page_7_Picture_1.jpeg)

CustomizationPosition of SCTorch interfaceMounting bracket

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#### **IsoMist Characteristics**

- Programmable from -10 to 60C in 1 degree increments
- Maintains temperature to within 0.1 degree
- Built-in Peltier device
- No external plumbing
- Temperature measured near the chamber surface
- Permanent electronic record of temp. vs. time

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#### PC Screen showing IsoMist Software

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### Constant temperature benefits (1ml/min sample uptake)

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- Higher accuracy
- Higher productivity
- Greater reproducibility
- Better experiments

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#### Current record of sample flow rate

- ID of peristaltic pump tubing used
- Speed of pump
- Make and model of ICP

Flow rate is estimated from above parameters

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#### Effect of sample flow rate on signal

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#### What can affect Sample Uptake?

- Clogged nebulizer
- Worn pump tubing
- Kinked sample capillary
- Worn pump rollers
- Incorrect pressure of pump tubing clamp
- Faulty peri pump

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### TruFlo Sample Uptake Monitor

- Adjustable damping
- Settable alarm limits
- Digital display
- Recordable graph
- Range: 0 to 4ml/min

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#### How it works

#### **Thermal Flow Measurement**

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#### Features of TruFlo

- Adjustable damping
- Settable alarm limits
- Digital display
- Recordable graph
- Range: 0.05 to 4ml/min

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#### Adjustable damping

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#### **Effect of Clamp Position**

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#### Validation for TruFlo

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#### **Applications of TruFlo**

- ICP-OES
- ICP-MS

Potential Applications of TruFlo

- HPLC
- UV-Vis
- FTIR
- Any technique where sample flow rate is important

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