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Section

Introduction

he Model 43-93 and 43-93-2 detectors are designed for alpha-beta surveying when coupled with compatible instruments. Functionally, these two detectors are very similar but differ in the type of protective window screen and the size of the active and open window areas.

Discriminating between alpha and beta radiation simultaneously requires the counting instrument to have either separate power supplies or window/threshold controls for each channel. The Ludlum Model 2929 Scaler, Model 2223, Model 2224, or Model 2360 instruments provide the necessary circuitry for simultaneous alpha-beta discrimination.

A Zinc Sulfide [ZnS (Ag)] scintillator is used for detecting alpha particles, and a thin plastic scintillator is employed for detecting beta radiation. The scintillation material is covered by metallized Mylar to reduce light response, limiting excessive background counts. The Model 43-93 window is protected by an 88% open square-hole screen, where the Model 43-93-2 window is protected by a 79% open hexagonal-hole screen.

The photomultiplier tube (PMT) and crystal assembly may easily be removed for repair. Refer to the assembly view drawing in section 5 of this manual for details on construction and parts. The photomultiplier tube typically operates between 500 and 1200 volts with a recommended maximum of 1500 volts.



Specifications

Photomultiplier Tube: 2.9 cm (1.1 in.) diameter; magnetically shielded

Scintillator Material: Zinc Sulfide [ZnS (Ag)] deposited on a 0.25 mm (0.010 in.) rectangular plastic scintillator

Window: 1.2 mg/cm^2 metalized polyester

Window Area (Model 43-93):

Active area: approximately 100 cm^2

Open area: approximately 88 cm²

Window Area (Model 43-93-2):

Active area: approximately 126 cm²

Open area: approximately 100 cm²

Efficiency (4π):

Model 43-93: typically 15% for ^{99}Tc , 20% for ^{90}Sr ^{90}Sr , and 20% for ^{239}Pu

Model 43-93-2: typically 10% for ^{99}Tc , 17% for ^{90}Sr ^{90}Y , and 15% for ^{239}Pu

Background (in a $10\mu R/hr$ field):

Alpha: 3 cpm or less

Beta: 300 cpm or less

Detector Uniformity: within 15% of average reading

Operating Voltage: typically 500-1200 Vdc (1500 Vdc max.)

Dynode String Resistance: 60 megohm Gamma Sensitivity: 15-20 cpm/μR/hr (¹³⁷Cs) Dead Time: typically 5 μsec or less Connector: Series "C" unless otherwise specified Temperature Range: -20 to 50 °C (-4 to 122 °F) Size: 6.4 x 9.5 x 31 cm (2.5 x 3.8 x 12.3 in.) (H x W x L) Weight: approximately 0.45 kg (1 lb) Construction: aluminum housing with beige powder-coat finish



Safety Considerations

Environmental Conditions for Normal Use

Indoor or outdoor use

No maximum altitude

Temperature range of -20 to 50°C (-4 to 122 °F)

Maximum relative humidity of less than 95% (non-condensing)

Cleaning Instructions and Precautions

The detectors specified in this manual may be cleaned externally with a damp cloth, using only water as the wetting agent. Do not immerse the detector in any liquid. Do not attempt to clean a detector that is attached to an instrument providing high voltage. Disconnect the detector cable before cleaning.

Repair and Calibration

To return an instrument for repair or calibration, provide sufficient packing material to prevent damage during shipment.

Every returned instrument must be accompanied by an Instrument Return Form, which can be downloaded from the Ludlum website at <u>www.ludlums.com</u>. Find the form by clicking the "Support" tab and selecting "Service Center" from the drop-down menu. Then choose the appropriate Service division where you will find a link to the form.



For Model 43-93

Assembly View, Drawing 393 × 140

Parts List

<u>Reference</u>	Description	<u>Part Number</u>
UNIT	Completely Assembled Model 43-93	
	Alpha /Beta Scintillator	47-2556
Quantity	Description	Part Number
1 ea	Welded Body Assembly	2393-141
1 ea	Mirror	2310698
1 ea	Connector Cap	7393-102
1 ea	Mylar Window Assembly	4393-149
1 ea	Window Frame	7393-148
1 ea	Face Ring	7393-137
1 ea	Square Screen	
	(external snap-on screen)	7393-171
1 ea	Backup w/Plastic Scintillator	
	and ZnS	4393-153
1 ea	Plastic Scintillator-	
	EJ444L-2.94 x5.91x 0.010	01-5692
1 ea	Photomultiplier Tube	01-6005
1 ea	Voltage Divider Board	5435-484
*	Foil-NETIC	01-5019
*	Foil-CO-NETIC	01-5026
9 ea	Sponge	7002-065-04
1 ea	Tube Holder Assembly	2393-117
1 ea	Gasket	7393-139
1 ea	O-Ring	16-8366
1 ea	Series "C" Connector	
	RECPT-UG706/U	4478-011
1 ea	Model 43-93 Vinyl Cover	7393-162

Section 4

	Reference	Description	Part Number
For Model 43-93-2	UNIT	Completely Assembled	
Assembly View,	01111	Model 43-93-2	
Drawing 393 × 119		Alpha /Beta Scintillator	47-3227
	Quantity	Description	Part Number
	1 ea	Welded Body Assembly	2393-105
	1 ea	Mirror	2310654
	1 ea	Connector Cap	7393-102
	1 ea	Mylar Window Assembly	4393-126
	1 ea	Window Frame	7393-109
	1 ea	Face Ring	7393-112
	1 ea	Hex Screen	
		(external snap-on screen)	7393-116
	1 ea	Backup w/Plastic Scintillator	
		and ZnS	4393-127
	1 ea	Plastic Scintillator-	
		EJ212-3.12 x 6.67 x 0.010	01-5685
	1 ea	Photomultiplier Tube	01-6005
	1 ea	Voltage Divider Board	5435-484
	*	Foil-NETIC	01-5019
	*	Foil-CO-NETIC	01-5026
	9 ea	Sponge	7002-065-04
	1 ea	Tube Holder Assembly	2393-117
	1 ea	Gasket	7393-110
	1 ea	O-Ring	16-8366
	1 ea	Series "C" Connector	4470 011
	1	RECPT-UG706/U	4478-011
	1 ea	Model 43-93-2 Vinyl Cover	7393-169
Parts Common to			
both Model 43-93 and 43-93-2	Reference	Description	<u>Part Number</u>
1 1/8-inch Voltage Divider Board,	BOARD	Completely Assembled 1 1/8 inch Voltage Divider Board	
Drawing 435 × 1325		(Models 43-93 & 43-93-2)	5435-484
CAPACITORS	C1- C3 C4	0.01uF, 200V 0.0047uF, 3KV	04-5725 04-5547
RESISTORS	R1	10M, 1/8W, 1%	12-7996

	<u>Reference</u>	Description	<u>Part Number</u>
	R2	7.5M, 1/8W, 5%	12-7971
	R3-R10	10M, 1/8W, 1%	12-7996
	R11	2.21M, 1/8W, 1%	12-7002
	R12-R13	10M, 1/8W, 1%	12-7996
MISCELLANEOUS	*	SOCKET 1 1/8 inch PCB MOUNT	
			4435-103
	W1	Wire-#22AWG WHT 9 65/40	21-8543
	W4	Wire-#22AWG BLK 0 65/40	21-8552



Drawings and Diagrams

Model 43-93 Assembly View, Drawing 393×140

Model 43-93-2 Assembly View, Drawing 393 × 119

Mylar Window Replacement, Drawing 393 x 165A

- 1 1/8 inch Voltage Divider Circuit Board, Drawing 435 × 1325
- 1 1/8 inch Voltage Divider Component Layout, Drawing 435 × 1324 (2 sheets)











