# **Reusable Parallel Particle Impactors (PPIs)**

Precise Match to ISO 7708/CEN Respirable Criteria

- Collection efficiency precisely matches ISO 7708/CEN criteria adopted in the OSHA final silica rule
- Reusable conductive aluminum use with any suitable 37-mm filter
- Load with disposable pre-oiled impaction substrates – Reduce particle bounce and buildup effects
- Only 3.3 ounces (93.6 grams) ideal for both personal and area sampling
- Selection of flow rates available to meet specific applications

   8 L/min respirable PPI: Enhances sensitivity (for short-term and/or low concentration sampling) using high flow pumps; ideal for new lower OSHA PEL for silica
  - 4 *L/min respirable PPI*: Enhances sensitivity and can be used with personal pumps; TWA sampling for  $\ge 4$  hours
  - 2 L/min respirable PPI: 8-hour TWA sampling
- <u>Disposable plastic PPIs</u> are available (visit www.skcinc.com)
- <u>Thoracic model</u> is available (*visit www.skcinc.com*)



SKC Parallel Particle Impactor (PPI®) Samplers are similar to traditional 37-mm filter cassettes in that they collect respirable dust on a standard 37-mm filter. That's where the similarity ends! Impaction-based PPI Samplers are designed to provide a precise match to the new criteria for respirable samplers, and *they do it in a unique way.* See How PPI Works at right.

# PPI Samplers Meet Requirements in

# **OSHA Final Rule on Respirable Crystalline Silica**

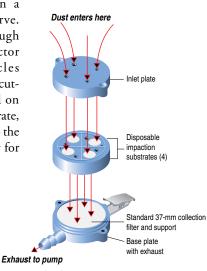
In its final silica rule, OSHA set a new permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 50  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> across all industries covered by the rule and abandonded the previous silica PEL formula. In addition, the OSHA final silica rule states that any sampler conforming to the ISO 7708/ CEN criteria (50% cut-point of 4  $\mu$ m) can be used for workplace silica and lists examples of samplers, including the impaction-based SKC PPI Samplers (final rule page 16439). The ISO 7708 criteria have been adopted by NIOSH, ACGIH, and many other global occupational hygiene organizations. PPI Sampler performance data, relative to the ISO 7708/CEN criteria, was published in the *Journal of Physics*, Conference Series 151, 2009 and was made part of the OSHA Docket used to develop the OSHA final silica rule.

# How PPI Works

Only the SKC PPI Samplers contain four small impactors in the inlet section of the device. Each impactor features a unique 50% cut-point to target a specific one-quarter segment of the

ISO/CEN curve resulting in a precise fit along the entire curve. A sample pump pulls air through the inlet nozzle of each impactor in the inlet plate. Particles larger than each impactor's 50% cutpoint are scrubbed and retained on the porous oiled impaction substrate, while smaller particles continue to the standard 37-mm collection filter for analysis.

See comparative performance graph and references on back.





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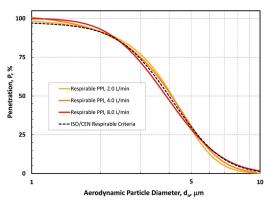
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## **SKC PPI Performance**

SKC PPI models were evaluated side by side with other size-selective samplers. Potassium sodium tartrate (PST), dioctyl phthalate (DP), glass spheres (GS), and coal mine dust were used as test aerosol. A load of approximately 6.8 mg of coal mine dust on the PPI substrates did not adversely affect PPI performance.



Comparison of PPI Samplers' performance with respirable conventions

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### Precise Match to ISO 7708/CEN Respirable Criteria

## **Performance Profile**

Sampling Rate:	2 L/min respirable, 4 L/min respirable, or 8 L/min respirable
Sample Pump:	Universal XR or AirChek <sup>®</sup> for 2 and 4 L/min, Leland Legacy <sup>®</sup> for 8 L/min
Sample Time:	Dependent on method used
Sample Media:	37-mm, 5.0-μm PVC filter
Tubing:	<sup>1</sup> /4-in ID
Impaction Substrate:	Four <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> -in diameter pre-oiled porous plastic discs
Analysis:	Gravimetric or chemical
<b>Body Material:</b>	Conductive aluminum
Dimensions:	Height (clip to exhaust): 4.25 in (10.8 cm) Diameter: 1.8 in (4.6 cm) Depth: 1.2 in (3.0 cm)
Weight.	3307(936  gm)

Weight: 3.3 oz (93.6 gm)

## **Ordering Information**

Each PPI sample requires:

- 1 filter
- 1 support
- 4 impaction substrates All items are available separately.

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able PPI (gold), 2 L/min, aluminum 225-380	
able PPI (orange), 4 L/min, aluminum 225-382	
able PPI (red), 8 L/min, aluminum         225-383	
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Recommended Collection Filters for PPI, required for sampling		
Select a filter based on your application.		
<b>PVC Filters</b> , 37 mm, 5.0 μm, pk/100	225-5-37	
PTFE Filters, 37 mm, 2.0-µm pore size, unlaminated,		
for MWF, pk/100	225-17-33	

Filter Supports, required for sampling		
Select either cellulose or stainless steel.		
Support Pads, cellulose, 37 mm, pk/100	225-27	
Stainless Steel Support Screen, 37 mm, wide mesh	225-26	

 Impaction Substrates, four required for each sample

 Porous Plastic Discs, 3/8-inch diameter, pre-oiled, ready to use, disposable, pk/200
 225-388

Accessories	
Multi-purpose Calibration Jar	225-111
Forceps, stainless steel, with non-serrated flat tips	225-8371
Filter-Keeper, for transport and storage of	
37-mm filters, pk/10	225-8303A