OVLSTONE VAPOR GENERATOR

WHAT IS IT?
The Owlstone OVG-4 is a system for generating trace concentration levels of chemicals and calibration gas standards. It is easy to use, cost-effective and compact and produces a very pure, accurate and repeatable output.

The very precise control of concentration levels is achieved using permeation tube technology, eliminating the need for multiple gas cylinders and thus reducing costs, saving space and removing a safety hazard. Complex gas mixtures can be accurately generated through the use of multiple tubes.

The OVG-4 is an ideal tool for numerous applications, ranging from calibration of explosive detectors in military and homeland defense to validation of personal monitors in industrial health and safety.

OVG-4 APPLICATIONS
Owlstone's OVG-4 vapor generation system is a cost-effective solution for any application requiring accurate, precise and safe gas generation. Examples include:

- Testing of warfare agent detection instruments
- Calibration of explosive detectors in homeland security applications
- Detector validation in industrial health and safety
- Calibration of environmental emissions monitoring sensors
- Generation of complex blended gas mixtures
- Sensor and instrument development and testing
- R&D and general laboratory use

Please contact a member of the Owlstone sales team if you have any applications questions.

HOW DOES A PERMEATION TUBE WORK?
Permeation tubes enable the generation of vapor from solid and liquid sources, as well as gases. A small quantity of the chemical is sealed inside a short length of plastic tubing. The tubing wall serves as a permeable membrane separating the pure analyte from the background matrix gas flow. The analyte permeates at a constant rate through the tubing wall, creating a very stable concentration of analyte vapor in the matrix gas flow. Mixtures are created using multiple tubes.

Our OVGs have been reliable, easy to use and have been indispensable in providing accurate and precise flow of vapor

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BENEFITS
- High number of available analyte compounds, including solids and liquids as well as gases
- Easy generation of multi-component mixtures using combinations of tubes
- Cost savings by elimination of multiple expensive gas cylinders
- Reduced risk of exposure to dangerous chemicals due to small quantities used
- Fast and easy sample replacement
- Elimination of hazards associated with high pressure cylinders
- Quick and easy to set up and generate blended gas mixtures
- Adjustable concentration levels from ppm to ppb
- High accuracy and precision, even at the lowest concentrations
- Superior long term stability and repeatability*
- Portable, with compact footprint
- Easily integrated with the Owlstone Humidity Generator (OHG) for realistic environmental testing

*Owlstone offers an optional service for regular validation and instrument calibration
As we develop sensors responding to ppb concentrations of VOCs, our Owlstone eight-channel OVG-4 gas generators has been invaluable with their excellent stability, and are significantly more cost effective than the competition.

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**CONCENTRATION CALCULATION SOFTWARE**

The OVG-4 is supplied with an easy-to-use concentration calculator to determine operating and calibration points.

![Screen shot of concentration calculator](image)

**COMPLETE CHEMICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING**

Owlstone also offers an integrated test platform incorporating a user-specified number of OVG-4 channels, a humidity generator (OHG) and a flow controller. Please see the relevant literature or contact a member of the Owlstone sales team for further information.

![Complete chemical and environmental testing](image)

**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION**

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