

# Radiation Monitors



Radhound

# **Radhound Monitors**

Radhound monitors are ideal for use within a large range of sectors, including academia, pharmaceutical research and nuclear medicine/PET. These meters are compatible with a broad range of Geiger-Müller, sodium iodide and plastic scintillator based probes to cover the whole spectrum of contamination and dose rate measurement requirements.

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# **Tracerco Monitors**

The Tracerco range is unique, robust and innovative – great for use in the laboratory or by radiation protection professionals out in the field.

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Radhound Multi-purpose Digital Radiation Meter

A multi-purpose digital radiation survey meter suitable for all your contamination monitoring and radiation protection requirements, the Radhound is a cost effective, feature packed digital radiation monitor that is simple and easy to use.

Count rate is displayed in large clear numbers and also on a bar scale. Our smart averaging software means a steady display that can be read with confidence, yet provides a fast response.

For source finding, one button push changes the display to a histogram plot. Alpha and Beta/Gamma counts can be displayed separately or on the same screen.

For surveying operations the Radhound also has an integrator mode.

• Clear digital LCD display with backlight.

 $\bullet \quad \mathsf{GM} \ \mathsf{and} \ \mathsf{scintillation} \ \mathsf{detector} \ \mathsf{options}.$ 

• Scaler timer function.

Ergonomic tilt stand.

• Wall mountable.

Fully adjustable alarm levels.



# Radhound X/E and X/I

The Radhound X/E is an advanced hand-held general purpose radiation monitor, suitable for a wide range of probes. The X/I is a Radhound with an internal dose rate detector.

This feature-packed instrument boasts some unique features, such as the ability to switch between probes via the menu allowing, for example, a dose rate probe and a contamination probe to be configured for use with one instrument. This flexibility allows any standard probe to be used (operating voltage 300 - 1200 V).

- Clear digital LCD display with backlight.
- GM and scintillation detector options.
- Multiple probe library/configuration.
- Fully adjustable alarm levels.
- Scaler timer function.
- Over range indication.
- Peak mode.



The Radhound X335 is an advanced hand-held survey meter with an integrated compensated end window Geiger-Müller detector for gamma dose rate monitoring.

- Dose Rate Range H\*(10): 0 uSv/h 1 mSv/h
- Energy response 20 keV 1.5 MeV
- Clear digital LCD display with backlight.
- Adjustable alarm levels.
- Timed count and timed dose function.
- Peak mode.
- Over range indication.

## **Radhound Alarm**

A low cost digital area monitor available with a range of probe options for all your contamination monitoring and radiation protection requirements.

The Radhound Alarm has a large digital display, the option for mains or battery operation and can be easily wall mounted. The easy to use password protected configuration menu enables a choice of probe and alarm thresholds to be setup.

Alarm output is provided by remotely mounted audio sounder and visual beacon.

- Simple to operate.
- Programmable alarm threshold.
- Audible count rate (with on/off switch).
- Customisation available.











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# Radhound Mini Digital **Contamination Meter**

A lightweight digital radiation survey meter dedicated to Nuclear Medicine contamination monitoring, the

# **Introducing SiPM detectors**

The Radhound Mini features an integrated NaI(TI) Silicon Photomultiplier (SiPM) detector. SiPMs are solid-state devices making them resistant to shock and vibrations that may occur because of extensive handling by users. They are commonly used in radiation

detection and medical imaging systems.

#### Reduced size

Each detector has thousands of micron-sized avalanche photodiodes (APD) arranged in a bespoke array for optimal optical coupling with the Radhound Mini's scintillation crystal. This reduces the monitor's size and weight while maintaining counting efficiency.



**Detector Energy** (Gamma)

50 keV to 1.0 MeV in the Open Window

Lower and Upper Upper limit: 20,000 cps (Over range) **Detection Limits** Alarm level selectable in software

**Default Discrimination** Window (mV) Window Settings Low: 80 - 450

Medium: 450 - 1500 High: 1500 - 3000 Open: 80 - 3000

Scintillator NaI(TI) Crystal

Silicon Photomultiplier (SiPM-based detector – 40 V Detector Operating Voltages

**Background Count Rate** Low Window: 2 cps (30 s Averaged Measurement) Med Window: 0.8 cps High Window: 0.1 cps

Open Window: 4.5 cps

99mTc Counting Efficiency 1.8% (Open Window, 882 MBq/ml)

Counting Efficiency (Open Window; sealed source 30 mm from end window)

<sup>57</sup>Co: 3.5% <sup>133</sup>Ba: 4.8% <sup>22</sup>Na: 1.6%

<sup>137</sup>Cs: 1.1% <sup>60</sup>Co: 0.7%

**Power Requirements** 2x AA 1.5 V Batteries (NiMH rechargeable or single-use)

Mass (Mini F) 460 g Optional Rod Lengths (Mini F) 750, 900 mm Standard Rod Length (Mini F) 1000 mm

Dimensions (Mini F) 170 (H) x 1104 (L) x 75 (W) mm

Mass (Mini)

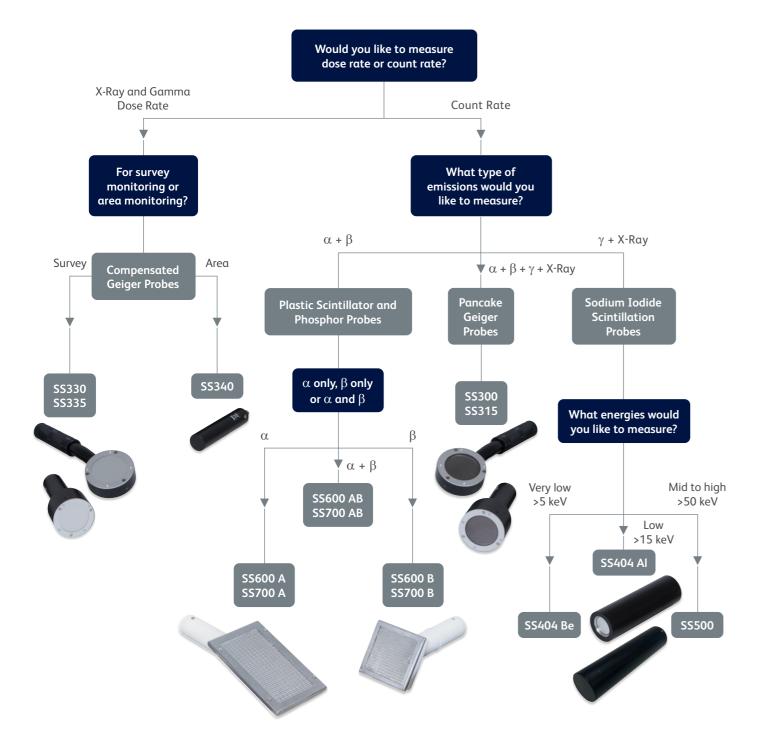
Dimensions (Mini) 170 (H) x 88 (L) x 72 (W) mm



# **Probe Selection Guide**

All Radhound monitors are compatible with a range of probes to meet your detection requirements.

Southern Scientific supply a selection of probes with a variety of different detectors. Use the guide below to determine which probe (or probes) is best for you, or call to speak with one of our product specialists.



# **Geiger-Müller Probes**

The SS300 is an uncompensated pancake Geiger-Müller-based probe for alpha beta and gamma contamination measurement.



Specifications	SS300 (Pancake)	SS315 (End On)
Operating Voltage	550 V	550 V
Measurement Range	0 - 5 kcps	0 - 5 kcps
Plateau Length	150 V	150 V
Temperature Range	-10°C to + 50°C	-10°C to + 50°C
Energy Response	20 keV - 2 MeV Gamma, ≥ 40 keV Beta, > 3 MeV Alpha	20 keV - 2 MeV Gamma, ≥ 40 keV Beta, > 3 MeV Alpha
Connector Type	MHV	MHV
Dimensions	Ø 70 x 254 x 64 mm	Ø 70 x 180 mm
Active Area	15.5 cm <sup>2</sup>	15.5 cm <sup>2</sup>
Mass	280 g	450 g

#### **Efficiencies**

(Listed as percentage of  $2\pi$  emission rate)

Nuclide	Emission	Efficiency
<sup>241</sup> Am	α	29.1%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	α	26.6%
Nat U	α	63.5%
<sup>90</sup> Sr/ <sup>90</sup> Y	β	56.7%
<sup>14</sup> C	β	19.4%
<sup>147</sup> Pm	β	59.1%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	β	25.8%
<sup>60</sup> Co	β	36.2%
<sup>137</sup> Cs	β	50.6%

#### Geiger-Müller Dose Rate Probes SS335 The SS330 probe is an excellent general purpose end window compensated pancake Geiger-Müller probe with H\*(10) energy compensation, which permits reliable measurements from ambient background up to 1 µSv/hr. The SS335 probe is functionally identical to the SS330, but with a different probe geometry. The SS340 is a side-window Geiger-Müller probe for ambient gamma radiation measurement to $H^*(10)$ . Dose rate range is 0 - 2 mSv/hr and energy range 45 keV - 2 MeV. Radhound **SS330** pecifications SS330 Operating Voltage 450 V Dose Rate Range\* 0.1 μSv/hr - 1 mSv/hr 0.1 μSv/hr - 1 mSv/hr 0 μSv/hr - 2 mSv/hr 150 V minimum 150 V minimum 200 V minimum Plateau Length -10°C to + 50°C -10°C to + 50°C -10°C to + 50°C Temperature Range Gamma Sensitivity Typically 5 cps/µSv/hr Typically 5 cps/µSv/hr Typically 2 cps/μSv/hr H\*(10) for 20 keV - 1.5 MeV H\*(10) for 20 keV - 1.5 MeV H\*(10) for 45 keV - 2 MeV **Energy Range** MHV MHV MHV Connector Type Dimensions Ø 70 x 254 x 64 mm Ø 70 x 180 mm $\varnothing$ 25 x 135 mm

15.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

470 g

40 mm tube length

# Scintillation Probes (Al and Be)

The SS404 Al is a thin-crystal NaI(TI) end-window scintillation probe designed to be an equivalent to the Mini 44A.

This probe incorporates a  $\varnothing$  1.25" x 0.098" (32 x 2.5 mm) thick NaI(TI) crystal mounted on an aluminium window and is fitted with an internal 3.15 mm lead collimator to reduce background counts.

The SS404 Be is similar to the SS404 Al but is fitted with a beryllium window, which extends the low energy response down to 5 keV, making it suitable for counting <sup>55</sup>Fe.

# **Gamma Scintillation Probe**

The SS500 is a very sensitive end-window gamma scintillation probe.

Equipped with a  $\varnothing$  1" x 1" (25.4 x 25.4 mm) NaI(Tl) crystal, it is designed to provide a cost effective gamma monitor for energies of 50 keV upwards.



Specifications	SS404 Al	SS404 Be	SS500
Operating Voltage	Typically 650 V	Typically 650 V	Typically 650 V
Detector Crystal	$\varnothing$ 1.25" x 0.098" NaI (32 x 2.5 mm)	Ø 1.25" x 1" NaI (32 x 2.5 mm)	$\varnothing$ 1" x 1" NaI (25.4 x 25.4 mm)
Window Density	2.7 mg/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.85 mg/cm <sup>3</sup>	35 mg/cm <sup>3</sup>
Energy Response	15 keV - 250 keV	5 keV - 250 keV	50 keV - 2.0 MeV
Connector Type	MHV	MHV	MHV
Dimensions	Ø 54 x 185 mm	Ø 54 x 185 mm	Ø 44.5 x 205 mm
Mass	820 g	820 g	300 g
Operating Temperature	-10°C to + 50°C	-10°C to + 50°C	-10°C to + 50°C
Operating Humidity	Up to 95% RH non-condensing	Up to 95% RH non-condensing	Up to 95% RH non-condensing

#### **Efficiencies** (Listed as percentage of $2\pi$ emission rate)

Nuclide	Energy	SS404 Al Efficiency	SS404 Be Efficiency
55 <b>Fe</b>	5.9 keV	-	31.4%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	16.3 keV	98.7%	99.1%
$^{129}I$	31.5 keV	84.9%	91.5%
<sup>241</sup> Am	58.8 keV	117.0%	117.3%
<sup>57</sup> Co	120 keV	82.7%	83.0%
<sup>137</sup> Cs	662 keV	17.0%	18.3%
<sup>60</sup> Co	1200 keV	11.4%	12.4%

Active Area

15.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

300 g

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Dose rate probes are set up to read in  $\mu$ Sv/hr by default. For measurements in rem/hr, please specify at point of order.

# **Alpha / Beta Contamination Probes**

# Alpha/Beta Probes

Equivalent to the NE BP6 / AP2, there are three versions of these 100 cm<sup>2</sup> window probes available:

- SS600 A Alpha only (Zinc sulphide layer).
- SS600 B Beta only (Plastic scintillator).
- SS600 AB Alpha/Beta (Zinc sulphide bonded to a plastic scintillator).

The use of a plastic scintillator avoids the traditional use of anthracene in this application, with a comparable response.

Also available are a series of three ergonomically balanced probes with a square window of 50 cm<sup>2</sup> and a 64° angled handle which are equivalent to the NE BP7, these are:



# SS700

#### Efficiencies

(SS600 Alpha/Beta,  $\alpha$  background 1.9 cps,  $\beta$  background 7.5 cps. Listed as percentage of  $2\pi$  emission rate)

Nuclide	Emission	Efficiency
<sup>241</sup> Am	α	39.3%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	α	42.0%
Nat U	α	43.1%
<sup>90</sup> Sr/ <sup>90</sup> Y	β	38.4%
<sup>14</sup> C	β	1.5%
<sup>36</sup> Cl	β	36.9%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	β	4.7%
<sup>60</sup> Co	β	14.0%
<sup>137</sup> Cs	β	28.8%

#### Efficiencies

(SS700 Alpha/Beta,  $\alpha$  background 0.7 cps,  $\beta$  background 3.4 cps. Listed as percentage of  $2\pi$  emission rate)

Nuclide	Emission	Efficiency
<sup>241</sup> Am	α	33.0%
<sup>238</sup> Pu	α	32.1%
Nat U	α	34.8%
<sup>90</sup> Sr/ <sup>90</sup> Y	β	33.9%
<sup>36</sup> Cl	β	30.6%
<sup>60</sup> Co	β	13.2%
<sup>137</sup> Cs	β	23.1%

#### Alpha

Specifications	SS600 A	SS700 A
Window Area	100 cm <sup>2</sup>	50 cm <sup>2</sup>
Typical Alpha Efficiency $^{241}$ Am % of surface emission (2 $\pi$ )	30	30
Background Response	Less than 1 cps	Less than 1 cps
Mass	500 g	500 g

#### Beta

Specifications	SS600 B	SS700 B
Window Area	100 cm <sup>2</sup>	50 cm <sup>2</sup>
Beta Efficiency $^{14}C$ % of surface emission (2 $\pi$ )	8	40
Beta Efficiency <sup>90</sup> Sr/Y % of surface emission (2π)	8	40
Background Response	Less than 20 cps	Less than 10 cps
Mass	500 g	500 g
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#### Alpha / Beta

Specifications	SS600 AB	SS700 AB
Window Area	100 cm <sup>2</sup>	50 cm <sup>2</sup>
Typical Efficiency <sup>241</sup> Am % of surface emission (2π)	30	30
Typical Efficiency $^{60}$ Co % of surface emission (2 $\pi$ )	15	15
Typical Efficiency <sup>90</sup> Sr/Y % of surface emission (2π)	30	30
Background Response	Less than 20 cps	Less than 10 cps
<sup>137</sup> Cs Response cps/μSv/hr	50	25
Mass	500 g	500 g

# **Handhound Voice Activated Monitor**

The Handhound has been designed mainly for use in 'wet chemistry' radio-isotope handling situations where hands could be contaminated. It has been designed to help with HSE compliance, by keeping a record of hand contamination measurements taken.

Radhound radiation monitoring electronics are incorporated into a stainless steel enclosure with a high sensitivity collimated detector, so that any contamination can be detected on hands.

The background is updated while the unit is not in use. A proximity sensor ensures the user's hands are underneath the detector, the user then speaks his/her name and says 'Continue'. The system will begin counting for a predetermined period, set by the supervisor.

A touchscreen interface is also incorporated, to allow configuration and manual triggering if needed.

The Handhound is mains-operated and will find application in 'wet' lab using gamma isotopes, in corridors, work areas and laboratories.

- Entirely voice operated to avoid instrument contamination.
- Sensitive scintillation counter for gamma emitters.
- Alternative detector options covering a wide range of nuclides.
- Stainless steel housing for ease of cleaning and decontamination.
- Automatic record keeping against user names, to aid with HSE compliance.
- Touch-screen compatibility included as an alternative to voice operation.
- Data can be downloaded onto USB.
- Automatic background updates.
- Fixed or dynamic alarm thresholds.



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# **Contamination Monitor (T401)**

Designed to meet the challenge of combining operational reliability with excellent sensitivity the T401 offers a range of features including direct surface, peak and background readings. It can be used one-handed, or detach the probe for two-handed operation.

The T401 can be supplied with an extension pole kit to securely deploy the detector probe during monitoring operations.

- Dual bar graph meter display 0 1000 cps.
- Digital numeric display with automatic direct translation to Bq/cm² for 14+ pre-programmed nuclides (natural and man-made) including <sup>14</sup>C, <sup>32</sup>P, <sup>137</sup>Cs.
- Optional extension arm.
- Detachable probe.
- Background reading and storage
- Audible response with adjustable alarm thresholds.

# Dose Rate and X-ray Monitors (T402, T406)

The T402 and T406 are lightweight, yet robust and comfortable to use over extended periods.

- T402 detects gamma and X-rays from 60 keV 1.33 MeV.
- T406 detects gamma and X-rays from 17 keV 1.33 MeV.
- T402HR extended range for high dose rates.
- Digital bar graph display:  $0.1 1000 \mu Sv/h$ .
- Digital dose rate indication: 0 10,000 μSv/h.
- Peak dose rate memory allows maximum exposure levels to be recorded.
- Accumulated dose rate memory for risk assessment and total exposure.
- Audible response with adjustable alarm thresholds.
- Water-resistant so easy to clean and decontaminate.
- Shock and drop tested so highly durable.



# Personal Electronic Dosimeter (PED)

Ideal for users who are not specially trained to measure radiation exposure, the PED family have been specially designed to be easy to use and understand.

Encased in weather, shock, and drop-proof housings each PED features a smooth clean design and simple to use DoseVision™ software.

- One button operation.
- Large screen displaying dose rate, accumulated dose and peak dose rate.
- Multiple languages.
- Easy to change between multiple users.
- Rated water resistant as per IP67.

# PED-Blue (Ideal for Hospitals and Veterinary practices)

- Energy Range: 33 keV to 3 MeV
- Dose Rate Range: 0 100 mSv/h
- Battery Life: 300 hours typically with background radiation.
- Weight: 190 g including belt clip.



PED-Blue

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PED+

#### PED-ER (Extended Dose Rate Range)

- Energy Range: 48 keV to 3 MeV
- Dose Rate Range: 0 1 Sv/h
- Battery Life: 300 hours typically with background radiation.
- Weight: 190 g including belt clip.

#### PED+ (with GPS)

- Energy Range: 33 keV to 3 MeV
- Dose Rate Range: 0 100 mSv/h
- Battery Life: 300 hours typically with background radiation.
- Weight: 190 g including belt clip.
- Wireless connectivity.
- Hand-held dose rate survey meter mode.
- Abiltiy to connect to mobile phones.

## **NORM Monitor-IS**

The ultimate tool for obtaining accurate NORM measurements in hazardous areas, the NORM Monitor-IS is ATEX approved with dual probe capabilities; Geiger-Müller and scintillator.

- Large, easy to read LCD screen with bar graph and back light.
- One-touch integrate function that allows detection of very low activities for increased measurement accuracy.
- Live background subtraction and several measurement modes.
- Adjustable alarm thresholds for improved safety.
- Easy to clean and decontaminate.





# Service and Support

Southern Scientific has a team of fully qualified service engineers, who support customers spanning the length and breadth of the UK. We can provide factory or on-site service as required, based on single visits, planned maintenance or full support under contract. We maintain a high level of spare parts, ensuring lifetime support capability.

Our systems group can offer its service for the larger installed equipment, from initial planning to installation, completion and training. We can provide expert knowledge and experience, gained through involvement in a number of large-scale projects throughout the years.

### **ISO Certified**

Southern Scientific Ltd is certified to ISO 9001 and ISO 13485 representing the high level of quality assurance and management that we provide at every stage of the supply process, whether a product is distributed on behalf of our trusted manufacturers or constructed in our UK workshop. This accreditation means that our customers can place an order knowing that the delivered product will be suitable for its intended use, fully compliant with EU legislation and in full working order.

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