permeation tube

A device used for dynamic preparation of test gas mixtures by means of controlled permeation of a gaseous analyte out of a container through polymer material into a carrier gas stream. These devices containing certain condensable gases (e.g. NO_2 , SO_2 , etc.) when operated at closely controlled temperatures can be used as primary standards calibrated in terms of the weight loss per unit time.

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