

Hypoxic Chambers:

O₂ Control Glove Boxes for InVitro Studies



- Hypoxic
- Normoxic
- Physiologic
- Hyperoxic
- Pathologic

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Perform incubation, culture maintenance & analysis in the same environment!

How the O₂ and CO₂ Control Systems Work

 $\rm O_2$ and $\rm CO_2$ concentrations need to be adjusted from their normal atmospheric air concentrations within the experimental chamber (glove box). $\rm N_2$ is used as a flush gas to displace the atmospheric gas mix to the experimental pre-sets. Sensors connected to microprosessor controls apply control gas purges based on these sensor readings and user adjustable setpoints. Typical units for controlling at less than atmospheric 20.9% $\rm O_2$ will require $\rm N_2$ and $\rm CO_2$ sources. The controllers, combined with the sealed glove box and airlock, provide a more accurate and uninterrupted environment than an incubator or cabinet system by eliminating exposure to nonexperimental conditions.

How the Airlock Works

Coy O_2 Control Glove Boxes are equipped with a purge-only airlock, which is a transfer chamber that equilibrates O_2 levels by purging excess O_2 prior to opening the door into the actual glove box and placing items inside. Ideal purge times are provided by Coy for various O_2 levels. Automatic units use a specific preset time for purges based on protocol and desired glove box O_2 levels. Once preset, the airlock is operated with the touch of a button by lab personnel. With manual units, the user operates a valve and times the purge.

Humidified Incubation Box

The Coy Humidified Incubation Box for Cell and Tissue Culture is a separate unit that sits inside the glove box. It allows cultures to be humidified with the same atmosphere content (gas and temperature) without immediately increasing the humidity of the rest of the box. Capacity: 36×100 mm petri dishes or well plates can be stored in each unit if stacked two high. Size: 12" L x 6" D x 16" H ($305 \times 152 \times 406$ mm). Custom sizes are available.



How to Control for Heat and Humidity

The Coy $\rm O_2$ Control Glove Box for Cell and Tissue Culture has temperature control up to 40°C. For long-term incubation, users will want to maintain high humidity levels to prevent samples from drying out. Coy offers a small humidified incubation box that allows samples to be incubated at levels of moisture at or near saturation while minimizing the amount of moisture that escapes into the glove box.

If you were to humidifiy the entire glove box instead of the humidified incubation box, the temperature differential between the heated glove box and the lab at high humidity would cause high levels of moisture throughout the glove box, which could lead to condensation and potential contamination. Glove box humidity levels should be controlled to noncondensing levels, which provides a comfortable working atmosphere and protects users' analytical equipment and the sensors, while minimizing potential microbial contamination.

Coy provides two solutions for controlling and removing moisture from the glove box—a desiccant-based system or an automatic dehumidifier, which is recommended. The dehumidifier is an electronic system with digital displays. The desiccant system involves alumina desiccant contained in a wire mesh and placed over the glove box's circulation system. The desiccant system is less costly than the dehumidifier option, but to succeed, it requires alert personnel who have an understanding of how the system works.



Coy Humidified Incubation Box for Cell and Tissue Culture

Standard Features and Equipment

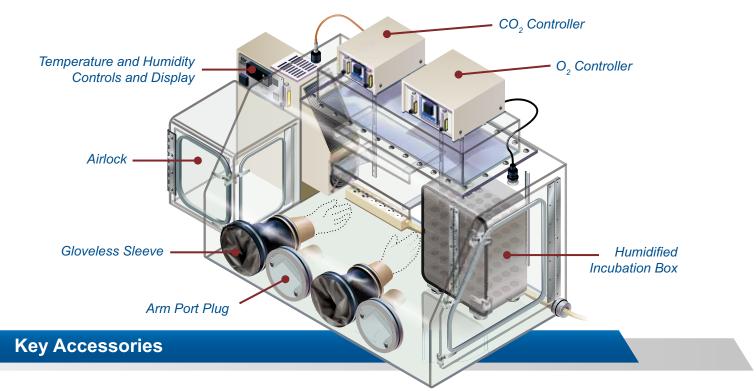
- Control of O₂ and CO₂ in 0.1% increments
- Gloveless sleeves (operator's arms and hands may enter the box through a cuff-and-sleeve system without compromising the environment)
- Large side door for initial equipment installation
- Interior power supply
- Arm port plugs seal box when operator is not working in it
- Adjustable interior shelves

- Gloves may be attached to sleeves
- Patented diaphragm top to compensate for small volume changes (e.g. hands entering), increasing user ergonomic comfort

Custom Sizing Options

Coy's modular designs and accessories, along with our 40 years of in-house customization experience, allow us to configure an economical glove box for your lab.





Adaptable to your specific needs

Recirculating Atmosphere Filtration System (HEPA)

This capsule system filters the box atmosphere and controls contamination through a standard HEPA filter. The external pump-activated system has the filter mounted outside the box. Equipped with sealed, quick-disconnect fittings, the filter is fast and easy to change without compromising filter and glove box integrity. Other types of filters can be added.

UV Light

A combination of fluorescent and 254-nanometer UV lights provides illumination and decontamination of the work area.

Anoxic Upgrade Kit

Coy offers a kit for upgrading O_2 Control Glove Boxes to enable the user to create an anoxic environment, using catalyst reacting with a non-flammable hydrogen gas mix.

High Accuracy Calibration Kit

This unique system enables calibration of the $\rm O_2$ sensor, taking into account temperature, pressure and the dilution effects of humidity on $\rm O_2$ in air when it is used as the reference calibration gas. Results in an accuracy of +/-0.5% $\rm O_2$ from 0-21% $\rm O_2$ at 20-40°C within 10 hPa of calibration pressure.

Vacuum Sleeve

Upgrade to the standard Gloveless Sleeve to further minimize the slight amount of O_2 transferred into the system when accessing the unit through the glove ports.

Feed-Thru Adaptor

Electrical wiring, tubing or cords are input through factory-installed feed-thru adaptors sealed through the glove box wall.

Custom Sizing for Analytical Equipment

Perform all analysis and manipulations in a controlled environment. Custom sizing and design allow for use of equipment such as flow cytometer, plate reader, bio-reactor and more.

Microscope View Port

Microscopes, which are valuable tools for intrabox work, are easier to use with this optically clear, flexible vinyl port. The port is sealed to the box wall and is installed directly over the microscope's eyepieces, enabling easy use of the oculars. Cultures may go directly from incubation to the microscope, allowing the researcher to see effects that may be lost when an imaging and/or media change is done outside of a controlled environment. Custom sizing of glove boxes to fit specific microscopes is available.

Imaging Glove Box: This alternative to microscope stage chambers and enclosures for live cell imaging provides a constant environment during media change, incubation and imaging.





Product Details

MATERIALS

Coy O₂ Control Glove Boxes for InVitro Studies are available in **polycarbonate** (three standard sizes) and **aluminum** (two standard sizes). The choice of material depends on your research needs and budget. Aluminum is generally more robust and, therefore, has more service years than polycarbonate. Polycarbonate is a less expensive option and is easily customizable.

Control Ranges

O, CONTROL

0-100% in 0.1% increments and control tolerance (factory range 0-20.9%, field calibration required)

CO. CONTROL

0-20% in 0.1% increments and control tolerance

TEMPERATURE CONTROL

Ambient +4° to 40°C

HUMIDITY IN GLOVE BOX

Controlled to create non-condensing environment

HUMIDITY IN INCUBATION BOX

Saturated at temperature

Standard Sizes

ALUMINUM SIZES, INTERNAL WORKSPACE

1 person: 41" L x 23" D x 35" H

1041 x 584 x 889 mm

2 person: 59" L x 23" D x 35" H

1499 x 584 x 889 mm



POLYCARBONATE SIZES, INTERNAL WORKSPACE

Mini: 23" L x 23" D x 23" H

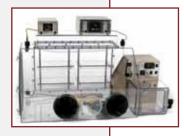
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QUESTIONS?

Our experts can help you configure a solution that meets your needs. Call (734) 475-2200 or visit www.coylab.com.

Related Products

For more information on these products or any of our Hypoxic Chambers, please visit www.coylab.com.



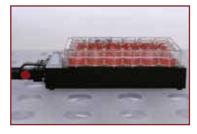
Coy O₂ Cabinet for InVitro Studies

Coy also offers O_2 Control Cabinets for InVitro Studies that provide the same O_2 control of the glove box in a more economical package.



Oxygen Permeable Plates

Controlled O₂ levels from your incubator, glove box or cabinet transfer directly to the microenvironment of the cells growing on the gas permeable membrane. Provides faster equilibration times and ideal for intermittent hypoxia studies where the cell microenviroments must change in response to rapid cycling of gaseous O₂ levels.



Dissolved O₂ Measurement

Monitor and capture real-time ${\rm O_2}$ or pH levels in all wells simultaneously to:

- Compare treatment effects
- Observe relative levels
- Measure consumption rates

