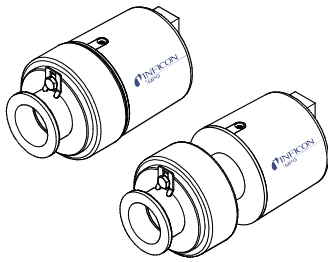


Inverted Magnetron Pirani Gauge

MPG400

MPG401

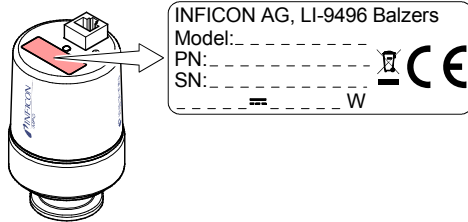


Instruction Sheet
Incl. Declaration of Conformity

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Product Identification

In all communications with INFICON, please specify the information on the product nameplate. For convenient reference copy that information into the space provided below.



Validity

This document applies to products with the following part numbers:

MPG400 (FPM sealed)	MPG401 (all-metal)
351-010 (DN 25 ISO-KF)	351-020 (DN 25 ISO-KF)
351-011 (DN 40 ISO-KF)	351-021 (DN 40 ISO-KF)
351-012 (DN 40 CF-F)	351-022 (DN 40 CF-F)

The part number (PN) can be taken from the product nameplate.

If not indicated otherwise in the legends, the illustrations in this document correspond to the product with part number 351-010. They apply to the other products by analogy.

We reserve the right to make technical changes without prior notice.

All dimensions in mm.

Intended Use

The Inverted Magnetron Pirani Gauges MPG400 and MPG401 have been designed for vacuum measurement in the pressure range of 5×10^{-9} ... 1000 mbar.

The Inverted Magnetron Pirani Gauges must not be used for measuring flammable or combustible gases which react in air.

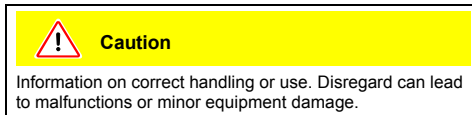
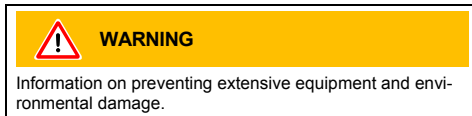
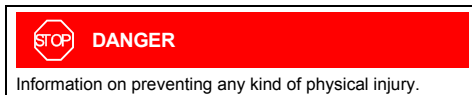
The gauges can be operated in connection with an INFICON Single-Channel Controller VGC401, Two-Channel Controller VGC402 and Three-Channel Controller VGC403, or with another controller.

Functional Principle

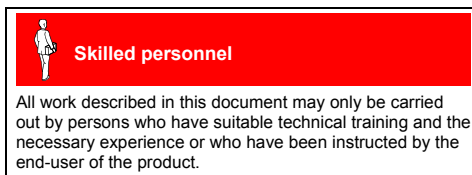
The gauges consist of two separate measurement systems (Pirani and cold cathode system) the signals of which are combined in such a way that one measurement signal is output. The Pirani measurement circuit is always on.

Safety

Symbols Used

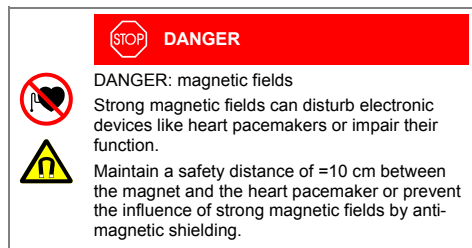


Personnel Qualifications



General Safety Instructions

- Adhere to the applicable regulations and take the necessary precautions for the process media used. Consider possible reactions between the materials and the process media. Consider possible reactions (e.g. explosion) of the process media due to the heat generated by the product.
- Adhere to the applicable regulations and take the necessary precautions for all work you are going to do and consider the safety instructions in this document.
- Before beginning to work, find out whether any vacuum components are contaminated. Adhere to the relevant regulations and take the necessary precautions when handling contaminated parts.



Communicate the safety instructions to all other users.

Liability and Warranty

INFICON assumes no liability and the warranty becomes null and void if the end-user or third parties

- disregard the information in this document
- use the product in a non-conforming manner
- make any kind of interventions (modifications, alterations etc.) on the product
- use the product with accessories not listed in the product documentation.

The end-user assumes the responsibility in conjunction with the process media used.

Gauge failures due to contamination, as well as expendable parts (filament), are not covered by the warranty.

Technical Data

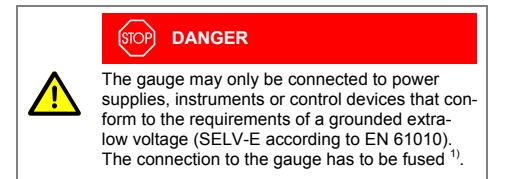
Measurement range (air, N ₂)	5×10^{-9} ... 1000 mbar
Accuracy (N ₂)	$\pm 30\%$ (in the range 1×10^{-8} ... 100 mbar)
Repeatability	$\pm 5\%$ (in the range 1×10^{-8} ... 100 mbar)

Output signal (measuring signal)	
Voltage range	0 ... +10.5 V
Measurement range	1.82 ... 8.6 V
Voltage vs. pressure	logarithmic, 0.6 V/decade
Error signal	<0.5 V no supply >9.5 V Pirani sensor defective (filament rupture)

Output impedance	$2 \times 10 \Omega$
Minimum loaded impedance	10 k Ω , short-circuit proof
Response time	(pressure dependent)
p > 10^{-6} mbar	<10 ms
p = 10^{-8} mbar	=1000 ms

Identification gauge	85 k Ω , referenced to supply common
Status	pin 6
p > 10^{-2} mbar Pirani-only mode	Low = 0 V
p < 10^{-2} mbar Cold cathode not ignited Pirani-only mode	Low = 0 V
p < 10^{-2} mbar Cold cathode ignited Combined Pirani / cold cathode mode	High = 15 ... 30 VDC
LED	High voltage on (LED on)

Supply



Voltage at the gauge	15 ... 30 VDC (ripple ≤ 1 V _{pp})
Power consumption	≤ 2 W
Fuse ¹⁾	≤ 1 AT
Voltage at the supply unit with maximum cable length	16 ... 30 VDC (ripple ≤ 1 V _{pp}) ²⁾

Adjustment	
Potentiometer <HV>	adjustment under 10^{-4} mbar
Potentiometer <ATM>	adjustment at atmospheric pressure

Electrical connection	FCC68 socket, 8 poles
Sensor cable	8 poles, shielded
Line length	≤ 50 m (8x0.14 mm ²)

Operating voltage	≤ 3.3 kV
Operating current	≤ 500 μ A

Grounding concept	→ "Electrical Connection"
Vacuum connection – measuring common	connected via 10 k Ω (max. voltage differential with respect to safety ± 50 V accuracy ± 10 V)

Supply common – signal common	conducted separately
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Materials exposed to vacuum	
Vacuum connection	stainless steel
Measurement chamber	stainless steel
Feedthrough isolation	ceramic
Internal seal	
MPG400	FPM 75
MPG401	Ag, Cu, soft solder (Sn, Ag)
Anode	Mo
Ignition aid	stainless steel
Pirani measurement tube	Ni, Au
Pirani filament	W

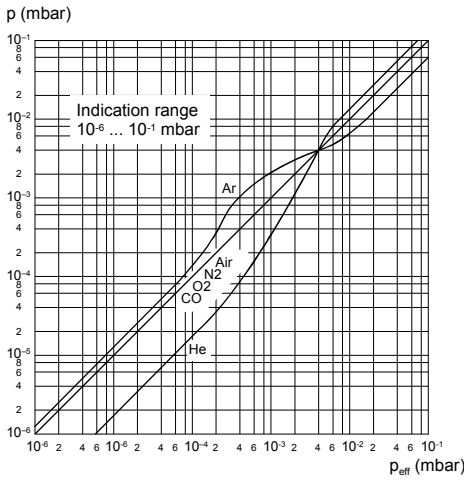
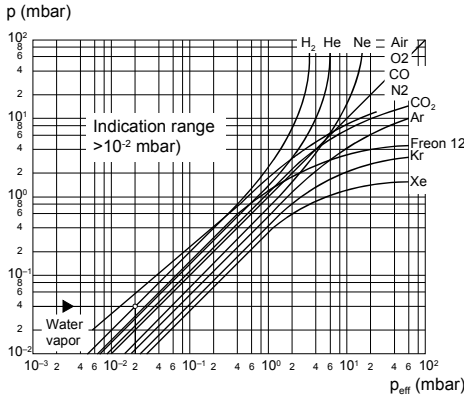
Mounting orientation	any
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¹⁾ INFICON controllers fulfill these requirements.

²⁾ The minimum voltage of the power supply unit must be increased proportionally to the length of the sensor cable.

Internal volume	≈20 cm ³
Pressure	≤10 bar (absolute), limited to inert gases
Temperatures	
Operation ²⁾	+5...+55 °C
Bakeout	150 °C (without electronics and magnetic shielding)
Pirani filament	120 °C
Storage	-40...+65 °C
Relative humidity	
	≤80% at temperatures ≤+31 °C decreasing to 50% at +40 °C
Use	
	indoors only altitude up to 2000 m
Type of protection	
	IP 40

Gas Type Dependence

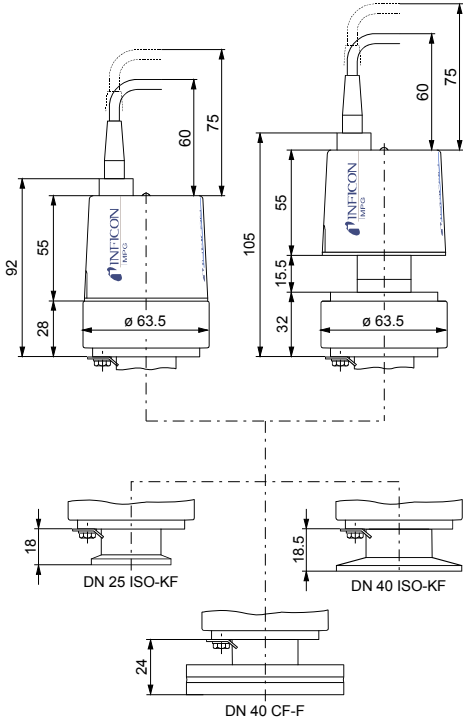


In the range below 10⁻⁵ mbar, the pressure indication is linear.
For gases other than air, the pressure can be determined by means of a simple conversion formula:

$$p_{\text{eff}} = K \times \text{pressure reading}$$

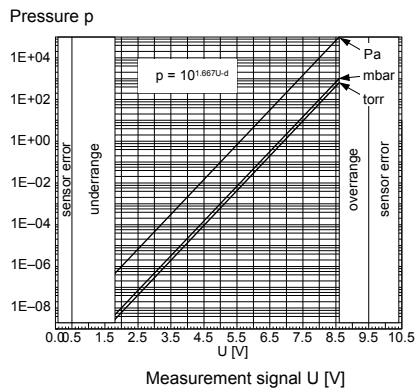
Gas type	Air (O ₂ , CO ₂ , N ₂)	Xe	Kr	Ar	H ₂	Ne	He
K (mean values)	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.8	2.4	4.1	5.9

Dimensions [mm]



Weight			
351-010	≈700 g	351-020	≈730 g
351-011	≈720 g	351-021	≈750 g
351-012	≈980 g	351-022	≈1010 g

Measuring Signal vs. Pressure



$$p = 10^{1.667 \times U - d} \Leftrightarrow U = c + 0.6 \log_{10} p$$

	mbar	Pa	Torr
d	11.33	9.33	11.46
c	6.8	5.6	6.875

valid in the range 5 × 10⁻⁹ mbar < p < 1000 mbar
3.8 × 10⁻⁹ Torr < p < 750 Torr
5 × 10⁻⁷ Pa < p < 1 × 10⁵ Pa

Installation

Vacuum Connection

DANGER

DANGER: overpressure in the vacuum system > 1 bar

Injury caused by released parts and harm caused by escaping process gases can result if clamps are opened while the vacuum system is pressurized.

Do not open any clamps while the vacuum system is pressurized. Use the type of clamps which are suited to overpressure.

DANGER

DANGER: overpressure in the vacuum system > 2.5 bar

KF flange connections with elastomer seals (e.g. O-rings) cannot withstand such pressures. Process media can thus leak and possibly damage your health.

Use O-rings provided with an outer centering ring.

DANGER

! The gauge must be electrically connected to the grounded vacuum chamber. This connection must conform to the requirements of a protective connection according to EN 61010:

- CF connections fulfill this requirement.
- For gauges with a KF flange, use a conductive metallic clamping ring

Caution

! Caution: vacuum component

Dirt and damages impair the function of the vacuum component.

When handling vacuum components, take appropriate measures to ensure cleanliness and prevent damages.

Caution

! Caution: dirt sensitive area

Touching the product or parts thereof with one's bare hands increases the desorption rate.

Always wear clean, lint-free gloves and use clean tools when working in this area.

WARNING

! WARNING: electric arcing

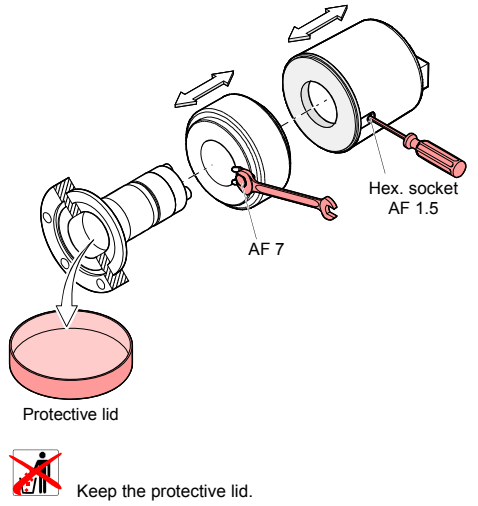
Helium may cause electric arcing with detrimental effects on the electronics of the product.

Before performing any tightness tests put the product out of operation and remove the electronics unit.

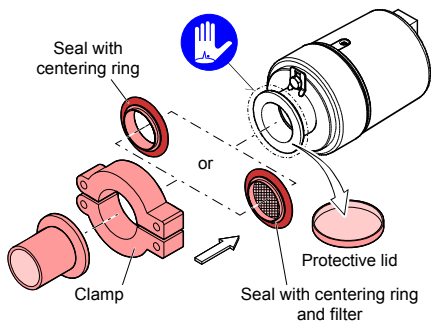
! The gauge may be mounted in any orientation. To keep condensates and particles from getting into the measuring chamber preferably choose a horizontal to upright position and possibly use a seal with a centering ring and filter.

! When making a CF flange connection, it can be advantageous to temporarily remove the electronics and the magnet unit (→ Operating Manual tina48e1).

Remove the protective lid and install the product at the vacuum system.



²⁾ MPG401: Up to 150 °C at the flange if mounted horizontally; without magnetic shielding



Keep the protective lid.

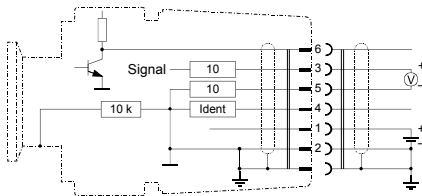
If adjustment should be possible after the gauge has been installed, be sure to install it so that potentiometers <HV> and <ATM> can be accessed with a screwdriver (→ "Adjusting the Gauge").

Electrical Connection



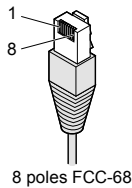
Make sure the vacuum connection is properly made (→ "Vacuum Connection").

- If no sensor cable is available, make one according to the following diagram.



Electrical connection

Pin 1	Supply (15 ... 30 VDC)
Pin 2	Supply common
Pin 3	Signal output (measuring signal)
Pin 4	Identification
Pin 5	Signal common
Pin 6	Status
Pin 7, 8	n.c.



- Connect the gauge to the controller using the sensor cable.

Operation

When the supply voltage is applied, the measuring signal is available between pins 3 and 5. Over the whole measurement range, the measuring signal is output as a logarithm of the pressure (measuring signal vs. pressure → "Technical Data").

Allow for a stabilizing time of ≈10 minutes. Once the gauge has been switched on, permanently leave it on irrespective of the pressure.

- The Pirani measurement circuit is always on.
- The cold cathode measurement circuit is controlled by the Pirani circuit and is activated only at pressures $<1 \times 10^{-2}$ mbar.

Gas Type Dependence

The measurement value depends on the type of gas being measured. The value displayed is accurate for dry air, O_2 , CO and N_2 . It can be mathematically converted for other gases (→ "Technical Data").

If the gauge is operated in connection with an INFICON vacuum gauge controller, a calibration factor can be entered for correction of the reading.

Ignition Delay

When cold cathode measurement systems are activated upon switching the gauge on, an ignition delay occurs, which is typically:

10^{-5} mbar	≈ 1 second
10^{-7} mbar	≈ 20 seconds
5×10^{-9} mbar	≈ 2 minutes

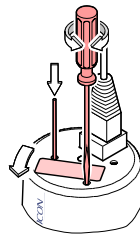
As long as the cold cathode measurement circuit has not yet ignited, the measurement value of the Pirani is output as measuring signal ("Pirani underrange" is displayed for pressures $<5 \times 10^{-4}$ mbar).

Adjusting the Gauge

The gauge is factory-calibrated. If used under different climatic conditions, through extreme temperatures, aging or contamination, and after exchanging the sensor, the characteristic curve can be offset and readjustment may become necessary.

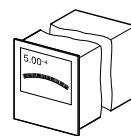
The cold cathode measurement circuit, which is dominant for low pressures ($<1 \times 10^{-3}$ mbar), is factory-calibrated. By way of contrast, the Pirani measurement circuit can be adjusted. Any adjustment has a negligible effect on the pressure range between approx. 10^{-2} mbar and 10^2 mbar.

- If you are using a seal with centering ring and filter, check that they are clean or replace them if necessary (→ "Deinstallation").
- Activate the gauge.
- Evacuate it to $p \ll 10^{-4}$ mbar and wait at least 10 minutes.
- Turn the nameplate counter-clockwise until the mechanical stop is reached.



While depressing the tactile switch with a cylindrical pin ($\varnothing = 3$ mm), adjust the <HV> potentiometer by means of a 1.5 mm screwdriver ...

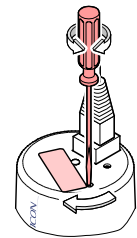
... to 4.20 V or ... to 5×10^{-4} mbar



After that, turn the potentiometer counter-clockwise by 1/3 of a turn.

- Vent the gauge with air or nitrogen to atmospheric pressure, and wait at least 10 minutes.
- Turn the nameplate clockwise until the mechanical stop is reached.

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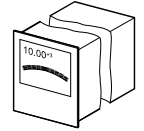


Using the 1.5 mm screwdriver, adjust the <ATM> potentiometer ...

... to 8.60 V

or

... to 1×10^3 mbar



- Turn the nameplate back to its original position (it catches).

Deinstallation

STOP DANGER



DANGER: contaminated parts

Contaminated parts can be detrimental to health and environment.

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Caution



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Caution



Caution: dirt sensitive area

Touching the product or parts thereof with one's bare hands increases the desorption rate.

Always wear clean, lint-free gloves and use clean tools when working in this area.

- Vent the vacuum system.
- Put the gauge out of operation and unplug the sensor cable.
- Remove the gauge from the vacuum system and place the protective lid.



When deinstalling a CF flange connection, it can be advantageous to temporarily remove the electronics and the magnet unit (→ "Installation").

Maintenance, Troubleshooting

→ Operating Manual tina48e1



If operated at high pressures or under dirty conditions, the gauge must be regularly cleaned.

Gauge failures due to contamination, as well as expendable parts (filament), are not covered by the warranty.

Returning the Product

WARNING



WARNING: forwarding contaminated products Contaminated products (e.g. radioactive, toxic, caustic or microbiological hazard) can be detrimental to health and environment.

Products returned to INFICON should preferably be free of harmful substances. Adhere to the forwarding regulations of all involved countries and forwarding companies and enclose a duly completed declaration of contamination.

Products that are not clearly declared as "free of harmful substances" are decontaminated at the expense of the customer.

Products not accompanied by a duly completed declaration of contamination are returned to the sender at his own expense.

Disposal

DANGER



DANGER: contaminated parts Contaminated parts can be detrimental to health and environment.

Before beginning to work, find out whether any parts are contaminated. Adhere to the relevant regulations and take the necessary precautions when handling contaminated parts.

WARNING



WARNING: substances detrimental to the environment

Products or parts thereof (mechanical and electric components, operating fluids etc.) can be detrimental to the environment.

Dispose of such substances in accordance with the relevant local regulations.

Separating the components

After disassembling the product, separate its components according to the following criteria:

- Contaminated components Contaminated components (radioactive, toxic, caustic, or biological hazard etc.) must be decontaminated in accordance with the relevant national regulations, separated according to their materials, and disposed of.
- Other components Such components must be separated according to their materials and recycled.

Declaration of Contamination

The service, repair, and/or disposal of vacuum equipment and components will only be carried out if a correctly completed declaration has been submitted. Non-completion will result in delay. This declaration may only be completed (in block letters) and signed by authorized and qualified staff.

- Description of product**
Type _____
Part number _____
Serial number _____
- Reason for return**

- Operating fluid(s) used**
(Must be drained before shipping.)

- Used in copper process**
no yes Seal product in plastic bag and mark it with a corresponding label.
- Process related contamination of product:**

toxic	no <input type="checkbox"/> 1)	yes <input type="checkbox"/>
corrosive	no <input type="checkbox"/> 1)	yes <input type="checkbox"/>
biological hazard	no <input type="checkbox"/>	yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2)
explosive	no <input type="checkbox"/>	yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2)
radioactive	no <input type="checkbox"/>	yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2)
other harmful substances	no <input type="checkbox"/> 1)	yes <input type="checkbox"/>

1) or not containing any amount of hazardous residues that exceed the permissible exposure limits

2) Products thus contaminated will not be accepted without written evidence of decontamination.

The product is free of any substances which are damaging to health. yes
- Harmful substances, gases and/or by-products**
Please list all substances, gases, and by-products which the product may have come into contact with:

Trade/product name manufacturer	Chemical name (or symbol)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Precautions associated with substance	Action if human contact
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
- Legally binding declaration:**

We hereby declare that the information on this form is complete and accurate and that we will assume any further costs that may arise. The contaminated product will be dispatched in accordance with the applicable regulations.

Organization/company _____
Address _____
Post code, place _____
Phone _____ Fax _____
Email _____
Name _____
Company stamp _____

Date and legally binding signature _____

This form can be downloaded from our website.

Copies: Original for addressee
1 copy for accompanying documents
1 copy for file of sender

Declaration of Conformity



We, INFICON, hereby declare that the equipment mentioned below complies with the provisions of the Directive relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits 2006/95/EG and the Directive relating to electromagnetic compatibility 2004/108/EG.

Inverted Magnetron Pirani Gauge MPG400 MPG401

Part numbers

351-010	351-020
351-011	351-021
351-012	351-022

Standards

Harmonized and international/national standards and specifications:

- EN 61000-6-2 (EMC: generic immunity standard)
- EN 61000-6-3 (EMC: generic emission standard)
- EN 61010-1 (Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use)

Signatures

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