Operating Instructions

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Glovebox Systems

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CHAPTER 2: LIABILITY, WARRANTY & SAFETY

2.1 General Information

Prior to installation, initialization and operation of the system, this manual should be read in its entirety and positioned in a suitable area near the system to allow for easy reference. Any persons charged with the transport, storing, installation, commissioning, operating, maintenance and/or service of this system must be familiar with the entire contents of this manual.

To ensure safe operation of the system and to maintain a safe working environment, the information contained within this chapter must be adhered to by all users of the system. Advice contained in this chapter is intended to supplement, not supersede, the safety advice given in other chapters of this manual and the general safety regulations and guidelines prevailing in the user's workplace.

In addition to the guidelines and information contained within this manual all internal and local health, safety and environmental guidelines should be followed.

Safety instructions and pertinent information are marked in the following manner:

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Please consider all instructions, in particular safety instructions, in order to achieve safe operation of the system.

2.2 Liability

The manufacturer will not take any liability of object, personal or secondary damage caused by improper use or ignoring of safety instructions as well as caused by the owner's manual due to missing updates after the system or its software have been modified, nor will the manufacturer take any liability of damages due to loss of data. In addition, the terms of business that are part of the order/contract will apply.

Our products are continuously modified an improved due to innovation, legal requirements and standards. Consequently, the information give in this documentation may not accurately reflect every detail of the system actually delivered. Please contact the manufacturer in cases of uncertainty.
2.3 Warranty

We guarantee the equipment as stated in the order/contract.

This warranty will expire in case of:
- Interference into or modification of the system without prior consent of the manufacturer;
- Improper use of the system;
- Insufficient maintenance of the system;
- Inappropriate operation of the system;
- Negligence of correct supply requirements;
- Application of third-party components to the system without prior consent of the manufacturer;
- Alteration of program or configuration write-ups without manufacturer’s consent.

**NOTICE**

This applies to a single unit and multi-unit system types.

2.4 Operation Guidelines

**MBRAUN** glovebox systems are operated using inert gas enabling the user to handle substances which are sensitive to oxygen and/or moisture. It is the responsibility of the user to follow all local health, safety and environmental guidelines with regards to the handling and disposing of substances which may be injurious to health. This also applies to the disposal of vacuum pump oil and all components and filtering devices which come in contact with the gas flow.

There is a risk of suffocation when working with high inert gas concentrations.

On request, **MBRAUN** can recommend a personal measuring instrument that alerts the operator to a reduction of oxygen content in the ambient air.

The following general safety guidelines must be considered when working with inert gas concentrations:
- The selected location should have a “room” volume that is significantly larger than the glovebox interior volume.
- The system should be located in a well-ventilated area. This is especially important during a purging procedure or when opening an active system (i.e. antechambers, etc.).
- All exhaust fumes should be vented through an adequate disposal/ventilation system.

**NOTICE**

Contact **MBRAUN** prior to the acquisition of the system if it is not possible to adhere to all the above recommendations. This way the system can be equipped with additional safety devices.

- Prior to performing maintenance or service inside an active system, remove one glove to allow a slow equalization of the glovebox interior atmosphere with the ambient room air.

**CAUTION**

To better avoid the risk of suffocation, it is necessary for the glovebox atmosphere to be completely replaced with ambient room air prior to servicing the interior of an active glovebox.

**WARNING**

Standard **MBRAUN** glovebox systems are not designed for the use of strongly poisonous or radioactive substances. Use of these types of materials must be coordinated with **MBRAUN** prior to the acquisition of a system.
2.5 Safety – General Hazards

This system has been designed and manufactured considering all relevant safety regulations. Improper use or operation by persons not qualified accordingly may result in danger to the:

- Life and health of the operator;
- System itself;
- Surroundings of the user;
- Performance and efficiency of the system.

General hazards of the system may arise in the following ways:

- Mechanical hazard caused by squeezing, shearing and cutting, catching and winding, stretching or by freely moving parts;
- Thrust caused by kinetic energy of moving mass;
- Sharp corners and edges;
- Electrical hazard caused by touching live parts (directly or indirectly);
- Thermal hazard causing burns;
- Chemical hazard causing poisoning, corrosion and explosion;
- Toxic hazard due to inhalation of vapours and gases;
- Gases under pressure;
- Liquids under pressure;
- Combination of hazards caused by:
  - faulty installation
  - incorrect loading
  - breakdown of power or media supply
  - breakdown and/or incorrect arrangement of preventive measures
  - combination of escaping media
- Hazards caused by:
  - human misconduct
  - noise
  - allergies, excitations of mucous membrane, unknown effects caused by media
  - ejection of parts
  - disturbance / malfunction of control system
  - leaking of hoses or pipes
  - combination of atmospheres or vapors
  - fire hazard
  - natural hazards e.g. lightning, flooding, environmental catastrophes etc.

2.6 Safety – Mechanical

Freely moving parts may cause squeezing, shearing and cutting, catching and winding, stretching of extremities. Extreme caution should be taken to avoid touching any moving parts of the system during operation.

When handling materials with mechanical, pneumatic or vacuum systems it is possible that materials may be ejected. Extreme caution should be taken to avoid any possible contact with the ejected materials without proper protection.

Only genuine parts supplied by MBRAUN should be used in the operation of the system. These parts are constructed in conformance with applicable safety regulations. No liability will be taken by MBRAUN in the event of installation of parts manufactured by companies other than MBRAUN which may result in additional and unknown hazards.
Simultaneous operation of the system by two or more persons is not recommended as this may cause hazards based on misconduct or mutual misunderstanding. In case of the system being operated by two or more persons, operation should be conducted in such a way as to ensure each individual’s respective task does not influence other tasks in any way.

Safety covers, panels, panes, windows or doors may not be removed at any time, unless there is a need for service. The system may not be opened (i.e. antechambers, etc.) during processing or power failures. In the case of any safety deficiencies, the system must be decommissioned and the service personnel informed accordingly. During decommissioning compliance with all local health, safety and environmental guidelines must be followed.

### 2.7 Safety – Electrical

This system operates under high voltage. Risk of injury caused by high voltages exists anytime the system is connected to the power supply, this includes when the system is powered off. Capacitors within the system may be charged when the system is switched off and disconnected from main power supply.

**WARNING**

Interchange of current bearing wires can result in electrical hazards such as shock, involuntary muscle reaction, muscle paralysis, burnt tissues and organs, or death.

Connection to the main power supply must be performed by a qualified electrician according to local area guidelines. All neutral and ground wires must be connected accordingly.

Opening the system or removing parts when the system is powered on, may result in exposure to live electrical connectors. Extreme caution should be taken to avoid directly or indirectly touching live connectors to avoid possible electric shock.

**CAUTION**

Prior to performing any electrical service work on the system, ensure the system is powered off and disconnected from the power supply.

Service required while the system is in operation should only be performed only by qualified personnel trained in the knowledge and prevention of all potentially dangerous and hazardous situations.

The system must be grounded/earthed at all times. Do not remove or cut off any ground wire for the system or its components. In case of insufficient grounding or damaged ground conductor ensure the system will be inoperable and secure it against unauthorized or unintentional operation.

**DANGER**

Insufficient grounding can cause electrostatic charging of plastic parts, hoses or pipes, wiring and/or the system as a whole, which could cause solvents and process chemicals to ignite.

Replacement of fuses should be of the same type and current rating.

**WARNING**

Makeshift fuses and/or short circuit fuse holders should never be used in the operation of the system.
2.8 Safety – Handling of Electronic Components

Electrostatic discharges can cause damage to parts. When handling electronic components the following precautions should be observed:

a) Wear a grounded wrist strap or work on a grounded static-dissipating work surface. If this is not possible touch an adjacent earth ground (i.e. central heaters or water pipes) before handling electronic components or printed circuit boards.

b) Leave electronic components and printed circuit boards in their original packaging until final installation.

c) Handle electronic components by their body or case, avoid touching of leads.

d) Keep electronic components and printed circuit boards away from such static generating materials as vinyl, plastic bags, etc.

**NOTICE**

Maintenance and repair work required, but not listed in this manual, should only be carried out by MBRAUN service or by persons of equivalent qualification.

2.9 Safety – Chemicals and Gases

Chemicals used in the system are not supplied by MBRAUN. Chemicals are provided and applied by the system user.

Proper handling of chemicals, corrosives and solvents is the user's responsibility. Materials used may be flammable, explosive, toxic.

Below are some guidelines to refer to when handling chemical substances:

- Ensure the all relevant Control of Substance Hazardous to Health (COSHH) guidelines are followed;
- Observe relevant safety regulations as well as material safety data sheets (MSDS) and additional advice provided by the supplier;
- Wear proper protective safety masks, gloves and eyewear whenever working with chemicals, corrosives or solvents;
- Mark all containers and supply lines of chemicals (i.e. containers of media and waste) with appropriate labels and warning signs;
- Ensure proper ventilation and exhaustion of vapours;
- Wear proper breathing protection to avoid the risk of suffocation;
- Do not smoke;
- Do not ingest food or beverage while working with the chemicals, corrosives or solvents to avoid the risk of poisoning.

**CAUTION**

Released chemicals may react with each other, leading to unwanted and/or unknown substances, which may cause additional risks.

Proper handling of gases is the user's responsibility. Gases used may be flammable, explosive, toxic. Below are some guidelines to refer to when handling gaseous materials:

- Do not inhale the gas to avoid risk of suffocation.
- Prevent electrostatic charging and beware of ignition sources.
- Do not smoke.

**NOTICE**

When using corrosive, gassing or noxious materials, the safety of all employees must be ensured by whatever means necessary. Specifically, all employees must be trained in the safe handling of the materials to be used.
2.10 Safety – Symbols Used on the System

The following symbols refer to MBRAUN components and parts. However, components and parts of sub-suppliers may show other symbols, not expressly mentioned or referred to in this manual. The following caution and command symbols may be seen on the system:

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<td>Fire hazard</td>
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<td>Pressurized gas hazard</td>
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<td>Wear safety mask</td>
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<td>👕</td>
<td>Wear safety goggles</td>
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<tr>
<td>🖼️</td>
<td>Wear protective gloves</td>
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The owner of the system is responsible to place adequate danger signals and labels in suitable places. This applies in particular to signals and labels concerning process chemicals used. Regardless of the number of caution symbols and information placed on or around the system, all safety instructions of this manual must be observed!

2.11 Safety – Emergencies

In case of an emergency, please observe the following instructions:

1. Immediately shutdown the system using the main power switch.
2. Disconnect the system from all gas supplies.
3. Refer to the material safety data sheets for information on treating the emergency. Contact the appropriate emergency response personnel in the area and/or listed on the material safety data sheets.

Do not disconnect the water supply for systems containing components requiring a cooling water source.

Prior to restarting, the system must be fully checked for safety, contact the MBRAUN Service Department after the emergency has been rectified.

In addition to the information contained in this manual all local health, safety and environmental guidelines must be followed.
2.12 Additional Information

The system is considered to be unsafe for operation if:

- there is any visible damage;
- it fails to perform according to specification;
- it has been subject to prolonged storage under unfavourable conditions;
- it has been subjected to severe transport stress.

If the system meets any or all of the above:

- make it inoperable;
- secure it against any unauthorized or unintentional operation;
- contact the MBRAUN Service Department.

**CAUTION**

Do not perform any service or repair of the system or its components other than described in this manual.

**NOTICE**

Maintenance, repair and service other than described in this manual may only be performed by MBRAUN service personnel or properly trained/qualified individuals.
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#### Principles of Operation

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CHAPTER 3: PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

3.1 Description of the System

M.Braun glovebox systems, which are operated using a closed loop circulation method, provide the user with a non-reactive atmosphere of <1ppm moisture and oxygen content. The system has three major functions: Purging, Circulation and Regeneration. Each of these processes is explained in detail in the following sections. For information for operating the system functions, refer to Chapter 9 of this manual.

3.2 Pressure Control System

General Information

The system is equipped with a PLC operated pressure control system which starts automatically when the system is activated. Upper and lower working pressure parameters, which are set by the user, provide a comfortable range for the user to work in. Depending upon the application, the system can be operated in the positive or negative pressure state.

Definition of Terms

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<tr>
<td>Box Pressure</td>
<td>Current pressure within the glovebox.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Working Range</td>
<td>The range within the working setpoints at which the box pressure fluctuates.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Upper Working Setpoint</td>
<td>Adjustable setpoint parameters used to establish the working range.</td>
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<td>Lower Working Setpoint</td>
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<tr>
<td>Limit Setpoint</td>
<td>The fixed value range between which the working parameters can be set. This is a factory established range which cannot be adjusted.</td>
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![Diagram of pressure control system]
3.3 Purging the System

Purging the glovebox replaces the ambient air inside the box with the working gas by providing a constant flow of working gas into and out of the box. The purge function can be performed either manually by the user or automatically by the system. The automatic or “quick purge” function is not included with all systems but is an available option that can be purchased at any time after the glovebox has been installed and/or running for any period of time.

As a general guideline a system should be purged when the oxygen level inside the box exceeds 100ppm. Possible reasons for an elevated oxygen level are:

- Initial commissioning of the system;
- Recent service or repair made to the system;
- Room atmosphere entering the box due to improper use;
- Leaks in the system or other damage (e.g. torn gloves, etc.).

The purging process can be performed three (3) different ways:

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<tr>
<th>Reverse Purge</th>
<th>Performed on systems with no manual purge valve or automatic purge function. This can also be performed on systems with either of the mentioned options if the user chooses to do so.</th>
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<tr>
<td>Manual Purge</td>
<td>Performed on systems with a manual purge valve located on the top of the glovebox system. This valve should be vented to a fume hood or facility exhaust system.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Automatic Purge</td>
<td>Performed on systems with this function incorporated into the PLC program via the VSA valve. This valve should be vented to a fume hood or facility exhaust system.</td>
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Both reverse purge and manual purge procedures require the user to enter box pressure setpoints in the PLC prior to beginning operation. The automatic purge function does not require any parameters to be set prior to beginning the operation.

Purge time and gas consumption varies and is based on glovebox volume and the level of purity required in the glovebox.

![Figure 1 - Purge Gas Consumption](image)

Figure 1 above shows that a desired box atmosphere purity of 10ppm requires approximately 14.50m³ of purge gas per cubic meter of box volume (refer to the Box Volume Table below):
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<td><strong>Box Depth 780</strong></td>
<td>28.86 ft³ / .81 m³</td>
<td>34.63 ft³ / .98 m³</td>
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<td><strong>Box Depth 1000</strong></td>
<td>35.51 ft³ / 1.00 m³</td>
<td>42.61 ft³ / 1.21 m³</td>
<td>51.13 ft³ / 1.45 m³</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Box Depth 1200</strong></td>
<td>43.45 ft³ / 1.23 m³</td>
<td>52.14 ft³ / 1.48 m³</td>
<td>62.57 ft³ / 1.77 m³</td>
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### 3.4 Circulation Mode

Circulation mode is the normal operation mode for working within the glovebox system. During normal operation, working gas is continuously circulated between the glovebox and the gas purification system. As the working gas passes through the filter column, the oxygen and moisture content is scrubbed from the gas. This provides the user with a consistent inert glovebox environment in which to work.

![Figure 2 - Principle of Circulation](image)

### 3.5 Regeneration Mode

When the glovebox is used for an extended period of time, oxygen and moisture begins to accumulate inside the purifier filter column which decreases the effectiveness of the circulation process. Regeneration is the process of removing the excess oxygen and moisture from the filter bed material inside the purifier column. This is a multi-step 16-hour process during which the glovebox cannot be used for normal operation (circulation).

**WARNING**

The regeneration procedure should not be interrupted at any time during the process. If for any reason the process is terminated prematurely, do not restart any system processes. Contact the M.Braun Service Department immediately.

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### 3.6 Antechamber Operation

**General Information**

The system is equipped with a large (and/or small) antechamber designed for transferring material into or out of the glovebox without polluting the internal box atmosphere or the room atmosphere. The antechamber(s) is equipped with an inner door, outer door and sliding tray to ease in transferring materials.

Transferring material into and out of the box can be done in the Automatic or Manual Modes. Both modes utilize the antechamber components and the touch screen. The chamber undergoes several evacuation/refill cycles to clear the chamber of room or glovebox atmosphere prior to removing the material from the chamber.

**NOTICE**

- An evacuated chamber cannot be opened. Attempting to open an evacuated antechamber may damage the door locking mechanism.
- Keep both antechamber doors closed when not transferring materials.

**Method of Operation**

1. Open outer door and transfer material into antechamber
2. Close outer door
3. Evacuate antechamber
4. Refill antechamber with box gas
5. Repeat the Evacuate and Refill antechamber steps according to the guidelines listed in Chapter 9 Section 9.4 Antechamber Operation.
6. Open inner door and transfer material into glovebox
Important Notes

- Never open the inner and outer antechamber doors simultaneously.
- Never open the inner door of an antechamber filled with room atmosphere. This would result in pollution of the box atmosphere which could cause damage to instruments and/or materials inside the box.
- Depending on the materials used inside the glovebox, vapors may be released into the room when material is transferred into or out of the glovebox.

Material transferred between the glovebox and room atmosphere must be able to withstand the pressure difference during the antechamber purge process (e.g. partially filled vessels, etc.). Open the seal slightly (e.g. lids of bottles, etc.) to allow the vessel to be vented to prevent implosion.

3.7 Analyzers

General Information
This section applies only to systems that are equipped with oxygen and/or moisture analyzers. Each analyzer contains a sensor head that is protected with a metal cap and electronics that are used to measure (depending on the analyzer type) the oxygen or moisture content of the working gas inside the glovebox. The analyzers are connected to the PLC via a cable with an RJ45 connector.

While not all systems are equipped with one or both analyzers at the time of initial installation they can be purchased at any time. Please contact the M.Braun Sales or Service Department for further information.

Oxygen Analyzer (MB OX-SE-1©)
The oxygen analyzer, with a measuring range of 0 – 1,000ppm, monitors the atmosphere inside the glovebox for residual oxygen content. The analyzer is designed to provide exact readings within the range of 0 – 100ppm. An estimated reading of the oxygen content is provided when the oxygen level rises above 100ppm.

The sensor element is a miniaturized Zirconium Dioxide plate operated at elevated temperature that is controlled by a platinum resistor. The electronics are supplied with 24 V DC and deliver a 0 – 10V signal proportional to the concentration of Oxygen. An additional input for the electronics allows the switching on and off of the sensor heating by means of the PLC.¹

Contact with Hydrogen, solvents and other aggressive gaseous substances will cause permanent damage to the sensor.

Moisture Analyzer (MB MO-SE-1©)

The moisture analyzer, with a measuring range of 0 – 350ppm, monitors the atmosphere inside the glovebox for residual moisture content. The analyzer is designed to provide exact readings within the range of 0 – 50ppm. An estimated reading of the oxygen content is provided when the oxygen level rises above 50ppm.

The sensor element consists of two (2) parallel platinum coils coated with phosphoric acid, and a PT1000 temperature sensor. The electronics are supplied with 24VDC and deliver a 0 – 10V signal in proportion to the concentration of H₂O.²

# Chapter 4

## Touch Panel Operation

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CHAPTER 4: TOUCH PANEL OPERATION

4.1 General Information

The glovebox system utilizes a Touch Screen Display panel. All functions and/or selections are performed by lightly touching the button or icon on the screen.

An optional protective self adhesive foil is available for the touch screen. This protects the screen from scratches, dirt and grime.

This protective foil also provides a matte surface to reduce glare and can be removed at any time without leaving any residue on the screen.

Do not use any sharp or pointed objects to remove the protective foil as this may result in damage to the touch screen.

4.2 Input and Password Fields

Input Fields

Certain screens contain information which can be changed by the user. This information is entered using an alphanumeric pad which is displayed when an input field is touched.

When an input field is activated, a keyboard is displayed on the screen.

Using this keyboard, you can enter new values into an input field.

After completing the entry, press the enter key to confirm the value.

Password Fields

Certain input fields require a user password to be entered. When an input field requiring a password is touched, a password screen is displayed. To enter the password, touch the white area in the screen. Only authorized users can make changes to the input fields.
4.3 Displaying the System Information

Touch the **Common Parameters** button on the Start Screen.

Touch the **System** button to access the System settings screen.

Touch the **Info** button.
The Information Screen is displayed providing M.Braun contact information and information regarding the project number or serial number for the system.

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CHAPTER 5: SYSTEM SCREENS

5.1 General Information

The system is operated using a Touch Screen located on the side of the system above the antechamber. This chapter provides an introduction to the various screens that the user will access during operation of the system.

To activate a component or operation touch the corresponding button. To deactivate a component or operation touch the corresponding button again.

Red buttons and icons represent inactive functions, green buttons and icons represent active functions and gray buttons represent functions which are nonexistent or temporarily unavailable. The purifier icon will also be displayed in yellow signaling the regeneration process is active.

The list below displays the buttons and information fields which are located on multiple screens associated with the system.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button / Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>![Alarm Icon]</td>
<td>Displays the Alarm Screen. Blinks black &amp; red when an alarm is present.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Press: 6.5 mbar</td>
<td>Displays the actual glovebox pressure.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>![H2O &lt; 0.1 ppm Icon]</td>
<td>Displays the moisture level inside the glovebox as detected by the analyzer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>![O2 &lt; 0.1 ppm Icon]</td>
<td>Displays the oxygen level inside the glovebox as detected by the analyzer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BACK</td>
<td>Displays the previous screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>END</td>
<td>Displays the Start screen.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## 5.2 Start Screen

Main screen displayed on the touch panel.

All functions and screens related to the operation of the glovebox and other components are accessed via the Start Screen.

### Icon / Button Description

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Icon / Button</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><img src="GB1.png" alt="GB1" /></td>
<td>Displays the status of the blower.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="VPG.png" alt="VPG" /></td>
<td>Displays the status of the vacuum pump.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="RKM.png" alt="RKM Purifier Inactive" /></td>
<td>Displays the status of the purifier. Used to access the Purifier Layout screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="Press.png" alt="Press" /></td>
<td>Displays the current pressure inside the glovebox.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="H2O.png" alt="H2O" /></td>
<td>Displays the Moisture and/or Oxygen levels inside the glovebox as determined by the analyzer(s) when present.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="O2.png" alt="O2" /></td>
<td>Touching any area in this box will display the Box Pressure Parameters Screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="Freezer.png" alt="Freezer" /></td>
<td>Displays the actual freezer temperature. This field is not displayed when there is no freezer present on the system.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 5.3 Common Parameters Screen

Accessed via the Start Screen by touching the **Common Parameters** button.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Alarm Limits</td>
<td>Displays the Alarm Setpoints screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Min.&amp;Max Values</td>
<td>Displays the analyzer Min./Max. Values screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating Hours</td>
<td>Displays the Operating Hours screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trends</td>
<td>Displays the Box Trends screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>System</td>
<td>Displays the System information screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Service</td>
<td>Displays the Service screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Box Purging</td>
<td>Displays the Box Purging Screen.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Freezer Box Cooling</td>
<td>Displays the Freezer/Box Cooling parameters screen.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Functions**

- **H₂O**: < 0.1 ppm
- **O₂**: < 0.1 ppm
- **Press**: 6.5 mbar
- **END**
### 5.4 Alarm Setpoints Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the *Alarm Limits* button.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><img src="image" alt="H2O alarm: 20.0 ppm" /></td>
<td>Used to set the alarm parameter for the moisture analyzer when present on the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="image" alt="O2 alarm: 20.0 ppm" /></td>
<td>Used to set the alarm parameter for the oxygen analyzer when present on the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="image" alt="Temperature alarm freezer: 10 °C" /></td>
<td>Used to set the alarm parameter for the freezer when present on the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="image" alt="Temperature alarm box cooling: not existing" /></td>
<td>Used to set the alarm parameter for the box cooling unit when present on the system.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 5.5 Min./Max. Values Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the *Min./Max. Values* button.

This screen displays the highest and lowest oxygen and moisture levels as detected by the analyzers.

Use the *Reset* button to reset the displayed values to zero.
## 5.6 Functions Screens

Not all functions shown on this screen are included with every system. In the event of a component or function not being included, the button will not be displayed on this screen.

### Functions Screen 1

Accessed via the Start Screen by touching the **Functions** button.

Circulation Purifier and Regeneration Purifier 2 buttons are permanently grayed out for single purifier systems.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Circulation Purifier 1</td>
<td>Used to activate and deactivate the circulation process.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Circulation Purifier 1</td>
<td>Used to activate the regeneration process.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum Pump VPG</td>
<td>Used to activate and deactivate the vacuum pump.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Analyzer</td>
<td>Used to activate the automatic purge process.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quick Purge</td>
<td>Used to turn the light on and off.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Box Light</td>
<td>Used to turn the freezer on and off.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Freezer</td>
<td>Used to turn the freezer on and off.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*(This button is grayed out when analyzers are not present on the system.)*

*(This button is only present when there is a freezer on the system.)*
Functions Screen 2

Accessed via Functions Screen 1 by touching the Next button.

Antechamber 2 buttons are permanently grayed out when only one large antechamber is present on the system.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Antechamber 1 Evacuation/Start Autom.</td>
<td>Used to start an automatic antechamber cycle for the large antechamber.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antechamber 1 Evacuation/Start Autom.</td>
<td>Used to evacuate the large antechamber in manual mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antechamber 1 Refill</td>
<td>Used to refill the large antechamber in manual mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Antechamber 1 Vacuum Pump</td>
<td>Used to activate the vacuum pump for the antechamber.  (This is activated automatically when the antechamber is operated using the purifier vacuum pump.)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## 5.7 Antechamber Screen

Accessed via the Start Screen by touching the Antechamber icon. This screen is used to operate the large antechamber only.

### Information Field / Icon / Button Description

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Icon</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Displays the active step number and step description when the system is being run.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Step Description" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Identifies which mode the system is being run in.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Mode Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Displays the actual pressure inside the chamber.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Pressure Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Displays the status of the pressure level inside the antechamber.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Status Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Displays the status of the refill valve.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Valve Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Displays the status of the evacuation valve.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Valve Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Displays the status of the vacuum pump.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Valve Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used to activate and deactivate the various components and processes.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Component Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used to access the antechamber parameters screen.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Parameters Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used to access the antechamber trends screen.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Trends Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used to operate the antechamber in Automatic Mode.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Automatic Icon" /></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Used to operate the antechamber in Manual Mode.</td>
<td><img src="image" alt="Manual Icon" /></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### 5.8 Antechamber Parameters Screen

Accessed via the Antechamber Screen by touching the **Parameters** button.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Information Field / Icon / Button</strong></th>
<th><strong>Description</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Intermediate refilling level:</td>
<td>400 mbar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Setpoint vacuum leak test:</td>
<td>5x10(^{-1}) mbar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Setpoint end vacuum:</td>
<td>5x10(^{-1}) mbar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pumping / refilling cycles:</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Max. evacuation time [min]:</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Max. leak rate [step value]:</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- **Intermediate refilling level:** Level at which the antechamber refills during the automatic evacuation/refill cycle.
- **Setpoint vacuum leak test:** The level at which a leak test is performed on the antechamber in automatic mode.
- **Setpoint end vacuum:** Level at which the refill process of the antechamber is initiated in automatic mode.
- **Pumping / refilling cycles:** Number of intermediate refill cycles performed in automatic mode.
- **Max. evacuation time [min]:** The maximum amount of time allowed for the antechamber to evacuate to the vacuum set point.
- **Max. leak rate [step value]:** Level at which the system alarm will display, above the vacuum leak test set point value. For example if the setpoint is 5x10\(^{-1}\) mbar and the maximum leak rate value is 3, the alarm will not display until the set point reaches 8x10\(^{-1}\) mbar.
5.9 Antechamber Trends Screen

Accessed via the Antechamber Screen by touching the **Trends** button.

Use the various buttons on the screen to scroll through the designated time period and also to zoom in on a selected range over a 24 hour period.

5.10 Box Pressure Parameters Screen

Accessed via the Start Screen by touching the **Box Pressure and Analyzer Details** field.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Upper working limit</td>
<td>Used to enter the upper working box pressure setpoint.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>4.0 mbar</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lower working limit</td>
<td>Used to enter the lower working box pressure setpoint.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>-4.0 mbar</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hysteresis UWP</td>
<td>Displays the setpoint at which the box pressure will rise or drop when the actual box pressure reaches the upper or lower working limit.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>2.0 mbar</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hysteresis LWP</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>2.0 mbar</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Information Field Description

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Upper Limit: 15.0 mbar</th>
<th>Lower Limit: -15.0 mbar</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Displays the default pressure alarm limits for the system.</td>
<td>Displays the Freezer/Box Cooling screen.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 5.11 Purifier Layout Screen

Accessed via the Start Screen by touching the RKM icon.

#### Valve Definitions

- **VHE1** - Purifier Inlet
- **VHA1** - Purifier Outlet
- **VRE1** - Regen. Gas Inlet
- **VRS** - Regen. Gas Outlet
- **VS1/2** - Pressure Compensation
- **VG** - Working Gas Inlet
- **VRV** - Regen. Vacuum
- **VV** - Box Vacuum
- **VPG** - Vacuum Pump

#### Icon / Information Field / Button Description

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Displays the status of the various valves throughout the system.</th>
<th>Displays the status of the blower.</th>
<th>Displays the status of the vacuum pump.</th>
<th>Displays the status of the purifier.</th>
<th>Displays the active step of the regeneration process.</th>
<th>Used to activate and deactivate the various components and processes. These buttons work the same as the buttons located on the Functions screen.</th>
<th>Used to access the purifier parameters screen.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>VHE1, VHA1</td>
<td>Off, On, Reg (Regen. Active)</td>
<td>GB1, GB2</td>
<td>VPG, VPG</td>
<td>OFF, ON, REG (Regen. Active)</td>
<td>Step: 0 regeneration off</td>
<td>Regeneration, Circulation, Analyzer, Vacuum Pump</td>
<td>Parameters</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.12 Purifier Parameter Screen

Accessed via the Purifier Layout screen by touching the **Parameters** button.

Choose **Yes** to have circulation start automatically after the regeneration process is completed.

Choose **No** to start circulation manually after the regeneration process is completed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button / Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Automatic active</td>
<td>Displays the current mode being used to operate the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remaining regeneration time : 0 min</td>
<td>Displays the time remaining until the regeneration process is complete.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time since last regeneration : 0 h</td>
<td>Displays the number of hours the system has been operating in circulation mode since the last regeneration process was performed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total time purifier 1 : 0 h</td>
<td>Displays the total hours the purifier has been in operation.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.13 Purifier Status Screen

Accessed via the Purifier Parameter screen by touching the **Status** button.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Button / Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Automatic active</td>
<td>Displays the current mode being used to operate the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remaining regeneration time : 0 min</td>
<td>Displays the time remaining until the regeneration process is complete.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Time since last regeneration : 0 h</td>
<td>Displays the number of hours the system has been operating in circulation mode since the last regeneration process was performed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total time purifier 1 : 0 h</td>
<td>Displays the total hours the purifier has been in operation.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.14 Operating Hours Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the **Operating Hours** button.

Displays the number of hours which the components have been running.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter purifier</th>
<th>BACK</th>
<th>END</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Operating Hours</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum pump VPG:</td>
<td>10 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Blower GB1:</td>
<td>5 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compressor box cooling:</td>
<td>0 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compressor freezer:</td>
<td>2 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum pump VP1:</td>
<td>0 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum pump VP2:</td>
<td>0 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum pump VPGL:</td>
<td>0 h</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTICE** Under normal use the vacuum pump oil should be changed every 3,000 hours per the manufacturer’s recommendation.

5.15 Purifier Trends Screens

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the **Trends** button.

Use the various buttons on the screen to scroll through the designated time period and also to zoom in on a selected range over a 4 hour period.

Touch the 24h button to change the display range to a 24 hour period.
5.16 System Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the **System** button.

Used to display system information or perform maintenance on the touch screen.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Automatic purging with O2 limit value override:</td>
<td>Used to automatically purge the glovebox when the oxygen level reaches the Oxygen Limit Value setpoint entered below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oxygen limit value:</td>
<td>Value at which the purging process will initiate when the above field is set to <strong>Yes</strong>.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Automatic purging with box low pressure alarm:</td>
<td>Used to automatically initiate the purge procedure when the box pressure reaches the factory established Lower Limit Setpoint.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.17 Box Purging Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the **Box Purging** button.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Automatic purging with O2 limit value override:</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oxygen limit value:</td>
<td>10.0 ppm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Automatic purging with box low pressure alarm:</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.18 Freezer/Box Cooling Parameter Screen

Accessed via the Common Parameters screen by touching the Freezer Box Cooling button. This screen is also accessed via the Box Pressure Parameters by touching the More button.

This screen applies only to systems with a freezer and/or box cooling unit.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Information Field</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Setpoint temperature freezer: -35°C</td>
<td>Used to set the freezer operating temperature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Actual value freezer: -35°C</td>
<td>Displays the actual temperature inside the freezer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Setpoint temp. box cooling: not existing</td>
<td>Used to set the box cooling unit operating temperature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Actual value box cooling: not existing</td>
<td>Displays the actual temperature inside the glovebox.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.19 Warning Screen

Accessed via any screen by touching the Alarm button when displayed.

This screen lists the:
- Warning number;
- Time the error occurred;
- Description of the error.

Depending upon the type of alarm, the message:
- Will disappear upon fixing the error;
- Must be acknowledged by touching the ACK button after the error has been fixed before it will disappear.
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Installation Requirements

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6.1 Location

The room in which the glovebox will be used should be dry and well ventilated with a temperature between 59°F and 86°F (15°C to 30°C). The floor should be level and stable enough to support the weight of the glovebox system.

Position the glovebox in an area that allows the user to have adequate working space in and around the system (e.g. gloveports, antechamber(s), etc.). If positioned against or near a wall, the clearance should be a minimum of approximately 24 inches (600 mm) for the rear and side of the glovebox without antechamber(s).

6.2 Gas Supply and Connection Requirements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Working Gas</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Use:</strong> To establish and maintain the ultra pure gas atmosphere. Used as the operating gas for electropneumatic valves.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Gas Type:</strong> Nitrogen, Argon, Helium supplied at 80psi.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Purity:</strong> Industrial grade or better; from tanks or other facility gas supply source.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Quantity:</strong> Permanent supply for the system’s operation (e.g. pressure compensation, etc.).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Regulator Type:</strong> Two (2) stage with a 0 – 100psi gauge.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Pressure:</strong> 80psi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Flow rate:</strong> 200 liters/minute</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Material:</strong> 3/8&quot; Braided Tygon™ hose (supplied with the system).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Connections:</strong> ¼” male NPT to 3/8” O.D. hose barb (connects Tygon™ hose to gas regulator).</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Regeneration Gas</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Use:</strong> Reprocessing saturated purifier columns.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| **Gas Type¹:** Nitrogen as the Working Gas: 90-97% Nitrogen with 3-10% Hydrogen balance  
Argon as the Working Gas: 90-97% Argon with 3-10% Hydrogen balance  
Helium as the Working Gas: 90-97% Helium with 3-10% Hydrogen balance |
| **Quantity:** Approximately 3,500 liters for each regeneration process. |
| **Regulator Type:** Two (2) stage Hydrogen regulator with a 0 – 20psi gauge. |
| **Pressure:** 5psi |
| **Flow Rate:** 15 – 20 liters/minute |
| **Material:** 3/8" Braided Tygon™ hose (supplied with the system). |
| **Connection:** ¼” male NPT to 3/8” O.D. hose barb (connects Tygon™ hose to gas regulator). |

¹ Gas combination will vary depending upon the type of working gas used based on user’s application.
### 6.3 Venting Requirements

Venting to the glovebox system and vacuum pump to the facility ventilation exhaust system is not mandatory but is recommended.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Hose Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Vacuum Pump</td>
<td>1&quot; inner diameter braided Tygon™ (or similar type) hose.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Regeneration Exhaust Gas</td>
<td>3/8&quot; inner diameter braided Tygon™ (or similar type) hose.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Purge Valve†‡</td>
<td>1¾&quot; inner diameter braided Tygon™ (or similar type) hose.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

† This is an optional item which is not included with all systems.
‡ This applies to both automatic and manual purge valve types.

### 6.4 Electrical Connection Requirements

The power supply for the system will vary according to local area guidelines. Please refer to the system label located on the side of the box in the upper right hand corner above the antechamber for information specific to the system.

**CAUTION**

Type NEMA 5-20R non GFCI outlet(s) are required for all electrical connections.

### 6.5 Water Cooling Requirements

The glovebox system includes a heat exchanger which is required to be connected if the box atmosphere is to be cooled.

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CHAPTER 7: INSTALLATION

7.1 General Information

The M.Braun glovebox has been fully assembled, operated and tested at our production facility. The information binder contains the:

- Glovebox Project Checklist – Displays detailed information regarding the glovebox system
- Test Sheet – displays the various operations and components which were tested during production
- Product Identification and Traceability – Lists all serial numbers for the components included on the system
- Vendor Component Manuals – Operating instructions, etc. for components included on the system which are not manufactured by M.Braun.

The glovebox and antechamber(s) have been fully tested for leaks under positive and negative pressure. The vacuum level during the regeneration process has also been tested to ensure that the glovebox purifier performs optimally.

This chapter provides information regarding the actual assembly of the glovebox prior to use. All instructions included in this chapter should be strictly adhered to. Any questions that arise during the installation process should be directed to the M.Braun Service Department.

The Unilab system comes complete and ready to assemble. The components, which have been numbered for ease in assembly, should be installed in the order listed in these instructions not in the order which they are numbered.

All clamp and o-ring assemblies used to attach pipes and hoses should be tightened finger tight.

Prior to tightening the clamp onto the flange, ensure the o-ring and other components are seated properly to avoid leaks.

7.2 Tools and Materials Required

Tools (not supplied by M.Braun):

- 13mm Wrench
- 19mm Wrench
- Flathead Screwdriver

18mm wrench
Adjustable Wrench
Materials:
The quantity for each material or component listed below will vary depending upon the length of the system (i.e. 1250/780, 2500/1000, etc.). Please refer to the checklist included with the system for exact quantities.
7.3 Assembling the Glovebox

General Information
A packing checklist has been included with the system. Most components included on this checklist have been packed in the antechamber. Prior to beginning the installation process, unpack, unwrap and identify each component and ensure the appropriate number of items has been included with the shipment as indicated on this checklist. Contact the M.Braun Service Department if any of the items are missing or damaged.

Place all components in an easily accessible location close to the glovebox in an organized manner to ease in the assembly process.

This chapter contains assembly information for the Labmaster© 130 (stand mounted purifier) and MB20G (stand-alone) style gloveboxes. Please refer to the pictures below to determine the type of system and follow the corresponding assembly instructions.

Section 7.6 provides instructions for installing a Stand Mounted purifier glovebox system. Section 7.7 provides instructions for installing Stand-Alone purifier glovebox systems. Sections 7.4-7.5 and 7.8 through 7.13 provide instructions which pertain to both types of glovebox systems.

Prior to beginning the installation process move the system into the permanent location but allow enough clearance during the installation process to work behind the box and/or purifier.

These installation instructions include all possible components for a glovebox system. Please note, not all components are included with every system.

7.4 Connecting the Antechamber Gauges and Sensors

The gauges and sensors depicted below will depend on the options purchased with the system. Please refer to your Project Checklist for more information.

The gauges are attached with KF16 clamps and o-rings and the electrical connections are made by attaching the corresponding labeled plug from the system to the gauge and/or sensor. The picture below provides information for the various gauges and the completed assembly.
Figure 4 – Antechamber Valve, Gauge & Sensor Assembly

A. Evacuation Valve (VSV) – Standard on an LM130 and optional on an MB20G
B. Refill Valve (V SF) – Standard on an LM130 and optional on an MB20G
C. Pirani Gauge (GP114) – Present when auto antechamber control option is included.
D. Rough Gauge (GP113) – Present when auto antechamber control option is included.

7.5 Electrical Feedthrough and Power Strip

There are multiple flanges located on the back of the glovebox which are used to attach feedthroughs to allow components to be used inside the glovebox. Any one of these can be used for the supplied electrical feedthrough.

Select one feedthrough that is close to the main power supply (outlet) and remove the clamp, blank cap and o-ring.

Place the o-ring on the female connector side of the feedthrough.
Place the female connector end of the feedthrough into the flange and feed into the box until the feedthrough flange is flush with the box flange.

Place the clamp around the flange and tighten.

Place the 6 outlet power strip inside the glovebox through one of the gloveports located on the front of the box.

Plug the power strip into the feedthrough.
7.6 Stand Mounted Purifier

Systems with stand mounted purifiers only require the vacuum pump and other miscellaneous components to be connected prior to use. Please refer to sections 7.7 through 7.<> for instructions on connecting the other components pertaining to the system.

Connecting the Vacuum Pump

Attach the KF25 stainless steel flexible hose to the end of the 1” pipe with the port using a KF25 clamp and o-ring.

Attach the pipe to the valve located on the bottom of the rear side of the antechamber using a KF40 clamp and o-ring.

Attach the stainless steel flexible hose to the port on the vacuum pump with the funnel shaped o-ring using a KF25 clamp.

Attach the fitting on the purifier vacuum hose (H) to the port on the copper or stainless pipe and tighten hand tight.

Using the 19mm and 18mm wrenches Tighten an additional ¼ turn.
If system is equipped with a mini antechamber:

Attach the end of the vacuum hose (H) with the elbow to the port located on the rear side of the mini antechamber.

**NOTICE**

Use care not to cross thread brass to brass connections and stainless steel to stainless steel connections when fitting together and tightening.

### 7.7 Stand Alone Purifier

Below is a rear view of the purifier showing the various components and cables which require connection to the glovebox. Please refer to these pictures when following the instructions.

**Figure 5 - Purifier Layout**

**Figure 6 - Completed Purifier Setup**

**Purifier Cart**

- A. PLC-Touch Screen Panel and Housing
- B. Inlet Hose from Glovebox to Purifier
- C. Outlet Hose from Blower to Glovebox
- D. Lighthood Cable
- E. Pressure Sensor Cable
- F. Ground Wire
- G. Freezer Connection Cable
- H. Purifier Vacuum Hose
- I. Main Power Cable
- J. Foot Pedal
Connecting the Purifier

**NOTICE**

After the purifier is attached, it is possible to move the glovebox forward and backward (to allow additional connections to be made) but side to side will be extremely difficult. Therefore, it is recommended that prior to connecting the purifier, the glovebox be moved into the final location where it is to be used.

Roll the purifier cart into place under the antechamber. The recommended distance between the front leg of the stand and the electrical cabinet is 2 ½ “–3”.

Remove the bolt from the black PLC bracket located on the end panel where the antechamber(s) is located.

Place the hinge side of the touch panel enclosure between the openings of the bracket. Affix the enclosure to the bracket using the bolt, by guiding it down and through the holes in the bracket and hinge.
Secure the hinge by using the 13mm and adjustable wrenches.

Attach the KF40 stainless steel flexible hose (B) from the VHE valve on the filter column to the circulation pipe using a KF40 clamp and o-ring.

Attach the “Out” KF40 stainless steel flexible hose (C) on the blower to the bottom of the heat exchanger using a KF40 clamp and o-ring.

Connecting the Ground Wire

Using the 13mm wrench remove the grounding bolt located on the inside of the rear leg of the stand adjacent to the purifier cart by turning in a counterclockwise motion.
Remove the two bottom washers from the bolt.
Place the end of the ground wire (F) onto the bolt.

Place the washers onto the bolt with the toothed washer teeth pointing towards the leg of the stand.

Screw the bolt back into the leg by turning in a clockwise motion.

7.8 Attaching the Vacuum Pump Oil Mist Filter

Place the black o-ring onto the remaining port on the vacuum pump.
Place the oil mist filter onto the port.

Push the u-shaped clamp onto the port making sure it covers both the port and filter flange.

Turn the clamp so the open ends face out.
Secure in place with the bolt and red thumb screw. Tighten hand tight.

Turn the filter so the label faces the gas ballast on the top of the vacuum pump.
Push the black hose from the pump onto the port on the filter. Secure in place with black plastic clamp.

7.9 Attaching the Gloves

Slide the glove onto hand and insert arm into the box through the gloveport angling the thumb to a comfortable working position.
Slide hand out of the glove and work the cuff of the glove into the groove in the gloveport closest to the glass. At this time the thumb position can still be adjusted by rotating the cuff of the glove.

Secure the glove with two o-rings.

Place the o-ring in the top of the second groove from the glass and in one smooth motion pull down across the circumference of the gloveport.

Repeat the process for the remaining glove(s) and o-ring(s).

### 7.10 Connecting the Freezer and Compressor

**General Information**

This section applies only to systems that are equipped with freezers.

Remove the cover from the horizontal wire track located on the rear of the stand.
Run the freezer connection cable (G) along the inside of the wire track.

Place the end of the cable on the stand and replace the wire track cover.

Connect the power supply plug for the compressor.

**NOTICE**

The connector type will vary from system to system. The picture shown above displays the two possible connector types that will be used. Contact the M.Braun Service Department with any questions.

### 7.11 Attaching the Analyzers

**General Information**

This section applies only to systems that are equipped with analyzers.

Carefully place a KF40 o-ring on the analyzer port.

Carefully place the sensor end of the analyzer into the corresponding port on the circulation piping running the length of the system on the underside of the glovebox.

H2O analyzer is positioned on the side of the box opposite the antechamber(s).

O2 analyzer is positioned on the same side of the box as the antechamber(s).
Secure the analyzer to the pipe using a KF-40 clamp and o-ring.

Repeat this process with the remaining analyzer(s).

Insert the analyzer cable plug into hole on the corresponding analyzer by pushing the plug into the hole gently until it snaps into place. The Green plug attaches to the H2O Analyzer. The Blue plug attaches to the O2 Analyzer.

The green plug cable should be wrapped along the circulation pipe and then plugged into the moisture analyzer.

**NOTICE**

7.12 Lowering the Leveling Feet

Move the system into its permanent location. Lower each of the leveling feet by hand until they touch the ground.
Using a 13mm wrench continue to lower the leveling feet until the casters are raised off the ground.

7.13 Power and Gas Supply

Plug the main power cable (I) on the purifier into the main power supply outlet.

Attach the working gas line from the purifier to the working gas supply.

Attach the regeneration gas line from the purifier to the regeneration gas supply.

Place the foot pedal on the floor in front of the system in an easily accessible location.

The installation is now complete.
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CHAPTER 8: COMMISSIONING THE SYSTEM

8.1 General Information

After completing the installation, the system is ready to be activated. Gas can now be added to the box to prepare for normal operation. The system is equipped with a foot pedal which is used during a pressure leak test or during normal operation of the box to temporarily increase or decrease the pressure inside the glovebox.

While a leak test has been performed during production of the system, after initial installation and gas has been added, it is necessary to perform a static pressure test to check the system for any possible leaks. This is done to ensure all connections made during the installation are tight and seated properly. The static pressure test also checks other components on the system which may have shifted during the shipping process.

After the leak test has been completed, the purge operation must be performed to rid the box of all room air and replace it with the chosen working gas. After the purge procedure is complete, the box can be used for normal operation in circulation mode.

8.2 System Activation

Turn the Main Power switch located on the side of the electrical cabinet on the purifier cart from the Off position to the On position.

The panel will display a series of screens (program starting up) before the start screen is displayed.

Touch the Functions button on the start screen.

Touch the Vacuum Pump button to activate the vacuum pump.

Touch the Box Light button to turn the light on.
The vacuum pump should remain on at all times while the system is in operation.

Touch the **End** button to return to the start screen.

Using the regulator, turn on the working gas supply and set the pressure to 80psi.

### 8.3 Static Pressure Leak Test

The static pressure leak test is performed in both the positive and negative pressure states. The process for running the test in either state is the same with the exception of the parameter setpoints and foot pedal controls.

Touch the **Box Pressure/Analyzer** display box on the start screen.

Use the arrows listed under Upper Working Limit and Lower Working Limit to increase or decrease the box atmosphere pressure setpoint in one tenth decimal intervals.

or

Touch the number field next to the corresponding parameter to display the alphanumeric keypad.

**Recommended Positive State Setpoints**
- Upper Working Limit: 14.0mbar
- Lower Working Limit: 0.0mbar

**Recommended Negative State Setpoints**
- Upper Working Limit: -14.0mbar
- Lower Working Limit: 0.0mbar
Enter the desired limit and touch the button to return to the Box pressure screen.

Use the button to set the parameter to the positive or negative.

Touch the **End** button on the Box Pressure Parameters screen.

Using the foot pedal control, adjust the gas pressure inside the box until the pressure reaches the desired level range.

The pressure will fluctuate until it settles at a fixed level between +/- 10-12mbar.

**NOTICE** If the pressure drops below +/-10mbar, use the foot pedal to add gas until the pressure reaches the desired level.

Once the pressure settles, monitor the pressure level for five (5) minutes.

**NOTICE** It is normal for the pressure level to fluctuate slightly during the 5 minute static pressure test. However, a pressure decrease of more than .3mbar indicates there is a leak in the system. Check all connections made during the installation process. If this doesn’t fix the problem, refer to the Troubleshooting chapter of this manual or contact the M.Braun Service Department.

After five (5) minutes, if the pressure level has stayed constant, the glovebox can be tested in the opposite pressure state.

After testing the box in both the positive and negative states with no leaks present, the box is ready for purging.
8.4 Purging the System

Systems equipped with freezers or other components that may be protected by covers must be open during the purging process. If the system has been in use prior to purging, ensure that the freezer(s) is deactivated and is at room temperature before beginning the process.

The instructions below include information regarding glovebox systems equipped with analyzers. The analyzers, which are used to monitor the oxygen and moisture levels inside the glovebox, can be used to determine when the glovebox atmosphere reaches the desired purity level.

Glovebox systems which are not equipped with analyzers require the gas consumption to be monitored to determine when the glovebox atmosphere reaches the desired purity level. Refer to the Gas Consumption chart in Chapter 3 for more information.

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Adjusting the Parameters

Adjusting the parameters is only necessary when using the Reverse or Manual purge methods. Touch the Box Pressure/Analyzer display box on the start screen.
Use the arrows listed under Upper Working Limit and Lower Working Limit to increase or decrease the box atmosphere pressure setpoint in one tenth decimal intervals.

or

Touch the number field next to the corresponding parameter to display the alphanumeric keypad. Use the keypad to adjust the parameters in the same manner as before.

**Recommended Setpoints**
- **Upper Working Limit:** 12.0mbar
- **Lower Working Limit:** 9.0mbar

Touch the **End** button.

**Reverse Purge Method (no manual purge valve or quick purge function present)**

Open the inner antechamber door.

Very slowly turn the outer antechamber door handle in a counterclockwise motion until the glovebox pressure drops to a level between 1.0mbar and 8.0mbar and the VG valve stays open* providing a constant flow of gas into and out of the box.

*When the valve stops clicking it is open.*
Manual Purge Method (manual purge valve present)

Open the manual hand valve located on the top of the glovebox.

The VG valve will open and close to allow working gas to flow into the box. Once the pressure inside the box drops to a level between 1.0mbar and 8.0mbar, the valve will stay open* providing a constant flow of gas into and out of the box.

*When the valve stops clicking it is open.

Automatic Purge Method (quick purge function present)

Touch the Functions button on the start screen.

Touch the Quick Purge button on the functions screen to activate the purging process.

The circulation button is blanked out as this function is unavailable during the purging process.

Continue purging for 45 minutes.

Touch the Analyzer button to activate the analyzers.

Touch the End button to return to the Start Screen.

Continue purging until the oxygen and moisture content inside the box reach the desired ppm levels.
Touch the **Quick Purge** button on the functions screen to deactivate purging once the desired levels have been attained.
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CHAPTER 9: SYSTEM OPERATION

9.1 General Information

After the system has been fully commissioned, it may now be used for normal operation in circulation mode. Prior to using the glovebox in circulation mode, the box pressure parameters can be adjusted for the upper and lower working limits. There are no recommended set parameters, the setpoints are based on user preference.

At any time during use of the box, the foot pedal can be used to add or remove working gas from the box temporarily. This is especially useful when attempting to place hands inside the gloves and into the box when working in the positive pressure state.

Adjusting the parameters is done in the same manner as was done during the static leak test and purging during the commissioning of the box. Please refer to Chapter 8 of this manual for instructions.

9.2 Circulation Mode

- The circulation process can only be started if all other functions (purge and regeneration) are inactive.
- There are no recommended setpoints for the circulation mode. Upper and lower working pressure limits are based on user preference.
- If the oxygen level in the system rises above 150ppm, deactivate circulation and begin purging. Continue purging until the oxygen level drops below 100ppm.

Touch the **Box Pressure/Analyzer** display box on the start screen.

Use the arrows listed under Upper Working Limit and Lower Working Limit to increase or decrease the box atmosphere pressure setpoint in one tenth decimal intervals.

or

Touch the number field next to the corresponding parameter to display the alphanumeric keypad. Use the keypad to adjust the parameters in the same manner as before.
Touch the **End** button.

Touch the **Functions** button on the start screen.

Touch the **Circulation Purifier 1** button on the functions screen.

The regeneration and quick purge (if existing) buttons are blanked out as these functions are unavailable during the purging process.

Touch the **End** button to return to the Start Screen.

The glovebox will continue to circulate the working gas until the function is deactivated.
9.3 Analyzers

General Information
This section applies only to systems that are equipped with moisture and/or oxygen analyzers.

Touch the **Functions** button on the Start screen.

Touch the **Analyzer** button to activate the analyzer(s).

Touch the **End** button to return to the Start Screen.

Follow the steps above to deactivate the analyzer(s).
9.4 Large Antechamber Operation

Follow the steps below to perform a transfer of materials from room environment into the glovebox using the large antechamber. If equipped, the large antechamber evacuation and refill cycles can be operated in Automatic or Manual modes. After placing the material into the large antechamber please refer to the corresponding directions below for moving the material into the glovebox.

Placing Material in the Antechamber

Before opening the outside antechamber door, verify:
- The inner antechamber door is closed;
- The antechamber is not under vacuum (gauge (A below) should read zero).

Turn the handle on the outer antechamber door in a counterclockwise direction to open it.

Carefully open the antechamber door by lifting it in an upward direction.
Let go of the door handle and allow the door to rise completely.

Gently pull out the sliding tray.

Place the materials to be used on the tray and slide the tray back into the antechamber.
Gently push the sliding tray back into the antechamber.

Close the outer door by pulling it down until groove at the end of the arm rests on the spindle.

Place four fingers, two each on opposite spindles, on the door handle and gently turn in a clockwise motion until the door touches the chamber. Tighten ¼ turn more.
**Automatic Mode**

Touch the **Antechamber** icon on the Start Screen to display the antechamber screen.

Touch the **Parameters** button to display the Antechamber parameters screen.

Use the drop down menus and information fields to specify the settings for the antechamber cycle.

Touch the **Back** button to return to the Antechamber layout screen.

Touch the **Evacuate/Start Autom.** button to initiate the automatic antechamber cycle.
A message on the upper right hand corner of the screen displays the active step number and description of the cycle.

**NOTICE** Touch **Manual** button any time during the automatic antechamber cycle to abort the cycle.

**Manual Mode**

Touch the **Antechamber** icon on the Start Screen to display the antechamber screen.

If **Automatic Mode** is displayed in the upper right hand corner, touch the **Manual** button to switch from Automatic to Manual mode operation. Skip this step if **Manual Mode** is already displayed.
Touch the **Evacuate/Start Autom.** button to evacuate the antechamber of room atmosphere.

Wait for the gauge to settle at the **negative** position and continue to evacuate for:

- **Non-porous Material:** 5 minutes
- **Porous Material:** 12 hours

Touch the **Evacuate/Start Autom.** button to deactivate the evacuation process.

Touch the **Refill** button to refill the antechamber with box gas.
Non-porous Material

Wait for the gauge to settle at the **halfway** mark on the gauge.

Porous Material

Wait for the gauge to settle at **zero (0)**.

Touch the **Refill** button to deactivate the refill process.

Repeat this process as necessary according the following recommended guidelines:

**Non-porous Material**

- **Evacuation (3 total cycles)**
  - 2 Additional Cycles – 5 minutes each
- **Refill (3 total cycles – 2 intermediate, 1 final)**
  - 1 Intermediate Cycle – refill chamber halfway
  - 1 Final Cycle – refill chamber to atmosphere (or zero on the gauge).

**Porous Material**

- **Evacuation**
- **Refill**
  - 1 Cycle – refill chamber to atmosphere (or zero on the gauge).

**Transferring Material from the Antechamber into the Glovebox**

Grasp the door handle with two fingers in a counterclockwise motion.
Carefully open the antechamber door by lifting it in an upward direction and guiding it until it stops.

Gently pull out the tray and transfer the material into the glovebox.

At this time, materials to be transferred out of the box may be placed on the tray.

After all materials are transferred into the glovebox, grasp the door handle and gently pull the door down until it rests on the door stop.
Grasp the door handle with two fingers and turn in a clockwise motion. Tighten finger tight and then an additional \( \frac{1}{4} \) turn.

### 9.5 Mini Antechamber Operation

Operating the mini antechamber is done manually. Follow the steps below to perform a transfer of materials from room environment into the glovebox using the large antechamber.

Before opening the outside antechamber door, verify:

- The inner antechamber door is closed;
- The hand valve (A) is in the closed position;
- The antechamber is not under vacuum (gauge (B) should read zero).

The picture to the right displays the correct hand valve position and the reading on the gauge at the zero position.

Turn the handle on the outer antechamber door in a counterclockwise direction to open it.
Remove the door.

Gently pull out the sliding tray.

Place the materials to be used on the tray and slide the tray back into the antechamber. Replace the cover and lock into place by turning in a clockwise motion.

Evacuate the antechamber by turning the hand valve to the Evacuate position.

Wait for the gauge to settle at the negative position and continue to evacuate for:

- Non-porous Material: 3 minutes
- Porous Material: 12 hours

Refill the antechamber by turning the valve to the Refill position.
Non-porous Material
   Wait for the gauge to settle at the halfway mark on the gauge.

Porous Material
   Wait for the gauge to settle at zero (0).

Repeat this process as necessary according the following recommended guidelines:

**Non-porous Material**

- **Evacuation (3 total cycles)**
  - 2 Additional Cycles – 3 minutes each

- **Refill (3 total cycles – 2 intermediate, 1 final)**
  - 1 Intermediate Cycle – refill chamber halfway
  - 1 Final Cycle – refill chamber to atmosphere (or zero on the gauge).

**Porous Material**

- **Evacuation**
  - 1 Cycle – 12 hours

- **Refill**
  - 1 Cycle – refill chamber to atmosphere (or zero on the gauge).

Turn the hand valve to the Closed position.

Turn the handle on the inner antechamber door in a counterclockwise direction to open it.

Remove the door.
Gently pull out the sliding tray.

Remove the materials to be used from the tray and slide the tray back into the antechamber. Replace the cover and lock into place by turning in a clockwise motion.

**Transferring Material out of the Glovebox**
Follow the above steps in reverse to transfer materials out of the glovebox into room environment.

### 9.6 Freezers

**General Information**

| NOTICE | The actual temperature inside the freezer will always be displayed even if the freezer is inactive. |

This section applies only to systems that are equipped with freezers.

Touch the **Common Parameters** button on the Start screen.

Touch the **Freezer/Box Cooling** button on the parameters screen to display the Freezer/Box Cooling parameters screen.
Touch the number field next to the **Setpoint Temperature Freezer** to display the alphanumeric keypad. Use the keypad to adjust the parameters in the same manner as before.

The default setpoint is \(-35^\circ\text{C}\) however, the freezer parameters can be set at any temperature between \(-10^\circ\text{C}\) and \(-35^\circ\text{C}\).

Touch the **End** button to return to the start screen.

Touch the **Functions** button to display the functions screen.

Touch the **Freezer** button to activate the freezer.

Touch the **End** button to return to the start screen.
9.7 Regeneration Mode

The regeneration process can only be started if the circulation process is inactive.

Circulation Auto Start
If desired, the circulation process can be started automatically following the end of the regeneration procedure. Follow the steps below to have circulation start automatically after the regeneration procedure is completed. Skip this step to restart the circulation process manually after the regeneration procedure is completed.

Touch the **RKM (Purifier)** icon on the start screen.

Touch the **Parameter** button on the purifier layout screen.

Select **Yes** from the drop down menu.
Touch the End button to return to the start screen.

Regeneration
Follow the steps below to start the regeneration process.

Touch the Functions button on the start screen.

Deactivate the circulation process, if active, by touching the Circulation Purifier button.

Touch the Regeneration Purifier button on the functions screen.

The circulation button is blanked out as this function is unavailable during the purging process.
The purifier layout screen is displayed with the following message.

*Please confirm that you wish to regenerate the purifier?*

This message must be acknowledged (yes or no) before regeneration will initialize.

Using the regulator, turn on the regeneration gas supply and set the pressure to 5psi.
Place the end of the regeneration vent line running from the VRS valve on the valve block located on the back of the purifier to a 100ml (minimum size) collection vessel.
Vent the line and vessel to fume hood or other facility ventilation system.

A second message is displayed:

*Prove flow of the regeneration gas! If OK → Confirm this button*

This message must also be acknowledged before regeneration will initialize. Touch the message on the screen after confirming the flow is correct according to the above information.

After acknowledging the second message the purifier layout screen can remain displayed. This screen will display the active step in the regeneration process.

or

Touch the **End** button to display the start screen. To display the purifier layout screen at any time during the regeneration process touch the **RKM** icon on the start screen.

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**NOTICE**

- After completing a regeneration process, the vacuum pump oil should be changed. Refer to vendor supplied manuals for instructions on changing the oil.
- Used oil should be disposed of in accordance with all facility, local and federal guidelines.
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CHAPTER 10: MAINTENANCE & TROUBLESHOOTING

10.1 General Information

This chapter provides general information for general maintenance of a single purifier glovebox system and troubleshooting various problems which may be encountered during operation of the system. For information regarding troubleshooting of vendor manufactured components, please consult the vendor supplied user manuals.

Contact the M.Braun Service Department with questions regarding any of the troubleshooting steps listed below.

10.2 Maintenance Requirements

Daily Maintenance and Service

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<td>Windows:</td>
<td>Clean the exterior with a mild solution of soap or detergent and lukewarm water. Using a soft lint free cloth or sponge, gently wash the sheet to loosen dirt and grime and rinse well with clean water. To prevent water spotting, thoroughly dry with chamois or cellulose sponge. Avoid the use of abrasive cleaners, squeegees and/or other cleaning implements that may mar or gouge the coating.</td>
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<td>Gloves:</td>
<td>Check all gloves for damage. The surface of the gloves in which the user’s hands are placed should be coated lightly with talcum powder to prevent drying and brittleness. Replace gloves immediately if any signs of damage or wear are detected. Never attempt to repair gloves.</td>
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<td>Antechamber:</td>
<td>Check antechamber door seals for damage and/or debris. Coat lightly, as needed, with high vacuum grease. If the antechamber doors are difficult to open or close, apply a light coating of white lithium grease or other lubricant to the pivot points and/or door spindle.</td>
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<td>Connections:</td>
<td>Check all connections to ensure they are seated properly and are leak free.</td>
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<td>Components:</td>
<td>Observe the maintenance instructions of the third-party manufactured components as directed in supplied manuals.</td>
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Compatible Cleaning Agents:

- **Aqueous Solutions of Soaps and Detergents**
  - Windex®
  - Top Job®
  - Joy®
  - Mr. Clean®
  - Fantastik®
  - Formula 409®

  1 Registered Trademark of Drackett Products Co.
  2 Registered Trademark of Procter & Gamble
  3 Registered Trademark of Texize, Division of Norton Norwich Products Inc.
  4 Registered Trademark of Clorox Co.

- **Organic Solvents**
  - Butyl Cellosolve Hexcel, F.O. 554
  - Kerosene Neleco–Placer
  - Naphtha (VM&P) grade Turco 5042

- **Alcohols**
  - Methanol and Isopropyl Alcohol
## Quarterly and Annual Maintenance and Service

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<td>• Inspect the gloves and glove ports, replace as needed.</td>
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<td>• Calibrate oxygen and moisture analyzers.</td>
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### 10.3 Touch Panel Maintenance

#### General Information

By accessing the System Screen the user can:
- Calibrate the touch panel screen
- Clean the touch panel screen
- Adjust the date & time settings

Below are instructions for each function.

#### Screen Calibration

Touch the **System** button on the Start Screen to access the System Settings Screen.

Touch the **Touch Calibration** button to activate the calibration process.
Five calibration crosses are displayed in succession at random points on the screen. Follow the instructions displayed on the screen and touch each calibration cross as it is displayed.

To accept the changes made during the calibration process touch the screen at any time.

To reject the changes made during calibration wait for 30 seconds until the overlaid timer bar has reached zero. The system will revert back to the default settings.

Upon completion of the calibration procedure, touch the **Main** or **Back** buttons to access the Start Screen and resume normal operation.

**Screen Cleaning**

Touch the **System** button on the Start Screen to access the System Settings Screen.
Touch the **Screen Cleaning** button.

All system functions are locked out for 30 seconds while a screen with a timer bar is displayed to allow the user to clean the screen without interfering with system processes.

Clean the screen by applying a small amount of non-abrasive cleanser directly to a soft lint free cloth and gently wipe the screen. Do not apply the cleanser directly to the screen!

Upon completion of the cleaning procedure, touch the **Main** or **Back** buttons to access the Start Screen and resume normal operation.

### Setting the Date and Time

Touch the **System** button on the Start Screen to access the System Settings Screen.
Touch the input field for the date and/or time to display an alphanumeric pad.

Enter the correct information according to the instructions detailed at the beginning of Chapter 4.

After making the appropriate changes, touch the **Main** or **Back** buttons to access the Start Screen and resume normal operation.

### 10.4 Replacing the Gloves

**General Information**

M.Braun recommends replacing the gloves at regular intervals. The gloves must be changed upon signs of wear and tear that may or have caused a leak.

> **CAUTION**
> Before replacing the gloves ensure that the glovebox is atmosphere is safe to breathe. If necessary purge the glovebox to fill it with ambient air prior to changing the gloves.

Carefully remove the two o-rings securing the glove in place.

Carefully remove the glove from the gloveport.
Slide the glove onto hand and insert arm into the box through the gloveport angling the thumb to a comfortable working position.

Slide hand out of the glove and work the cuff of the glove into the groove in the gloveport closest to the glass. At this time the thumb position can still be adjusted by rotating the cuff of the glove.

Secure the glove with two o-rings.

Place the o-ring in the top of the second groove from the glass and in one smooth motion pull down across the circumference of the gloveport.

Repeat the process for the remaining glove(s) and o-ring(s).

After replacing gloves, purge the glovebox to remove any undesired oxygen and/or moisture. (Refer to Chapter 8 Commissioning the System, Section 8.4 Purging)

**Gloveport Covers**
M.Braun gloveport covers, which are used to assist in replacing gloves or to block off an unused gloveport, are made for standard round glove ports and are available for either interior or exterior use.

Internal gloveport covers allow the user to replace gloves without contaminating the glovebox atmosphere with room air.

External gloveport covers allow the user to remove a glove(s) and continuing working within a glovebox without contaminating the glovebox atmosphere with room air.

Contact the Service Department for further information regarding price and availability of the gloveport covers.

**CAUTION**
Do not seal off all gloveports at the same time. Sealing off all gloveports simultaneously could cause pressure to build up inside the glovebox which could cause the window to crack or rupture.

### 10.5 Moisture Analyzer Maintenance

**General Information**
If it seems necessary to clean a moisture analyzer probe, follow the instructions carefully to avoid damaging the sensor probe. Prior to cleaning the analyzer, contact the M.Braun Service Department to determine if service by M.Braun is required or if the analyzer only requires cleaning.
Materials Required
- Soft absorbent lint free cloth
- Phosphoric Acid
- Distilled Water
- Personal Protective Equipment (gloves, goggles, apron)

Instructions
Touch the **Functions** button on the Start Screen.

Touch the **Analyzers** button to deactivate the analyzers.

Remove the RJ45 plug connector from the analyzer.
Remove clamp and analyzer.

Place a blank KF40 cap over the pipe and secure in place with the clamp.

Separate the protective cover on the probe by turning in a counter clockwise direction.

Slowly and carefully remove the cover from the probe.
Place an absorbent lint free cloth under the probe and moisten the probe with distilled water.

Wrap the moistened cloth around the probe. Gently and slowly spin the cloth around the probe to clean it.

Dry the probe in the same manner with a dry lint free cloth.

Do not clean the probe by moving the cloth in an up and down motion. This will damage the coil and will render the analyzer unusable resulting in the need for repair by M.Braun.

Place an absorbent lint free cloth under the probe and moisten the probe with Phosphoric Acid.
Carefully replace the protective cover and secure in place by turning a clockwise direction.

Remove KF40 clamp and blank cap.

Carefully place the sensor end of the analyzer into the port on the circulation piping.

Secure in place with the KF40 clamp.
Insert the analyzer cable plug into the hole on the analyzer by pushing the plug into the hole gently until it snaps into place.

Touch the **Analyzers** button on the Functions screen to reactivate the analyzers.

Touch the **End** button to return to the Start Screen.
10.6 Alarms

General Information
The following troubleshooting guidelines address the possible alarm warnings that the user may encounter during operation of the system.

Contact MBRAUN directly with any questions that arise while attempting to troubleshoot the system or if an alarm message is displayed that is not included below. Do not attempt to resolve the problem.

Circulation Gas Flow
There is no gas flow to the experiment during circulation process.

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<th>Check the gas supply line.</th>
<th>Yes – proceed to next step.</th>
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<td>Is there gas from the main supply line into the system?</td>
<td>No – turn on gas supply and continue normal operation. Proceed to next step if there is still no gas flow to the experiment.</td>
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Check the valve activation gas supply for correct flow rate (between 50 and 80psi) and adjust, if necessary.

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Check the connector plug on each VHA & VHE valve to ensure it is securely tightened to the valve body.

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<th>Did the valve open?</th>
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<td>No – contact M.Braun Service Department.</td>
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Regeneration Gas Flow
There is no gas flow through the system during regeneration process.

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<td>No – turn on gas supply and continue normal operation. Proceed to next step if there is still no gas through the system.</td>
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Check the gas supply for correct flow rate (between 5 and 10psi) and adjust, if necessary.

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Check the connector plug on each VRE and VRS valve to ensure it is securely tightened to the valve body.

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Check each VRE and VRS valve on the active filter for a yellow LED which indicates there is a signal being sent to the valve from the PLC.

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<th>Is the light on?</th>
<th>Yes, the light is on but the valve is not open and there is no flow to the experiment. – contact M.Braun Service Department.</th>
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### Power Supply

The Main Power switch on the front of the system is set to the **On** position but the system is not functioning.

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<td>Is the system plugged into the main power supply?</td>
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<td>Turn the main power switch to the <strong>Off</strong> position and plug the system in. Turn the switch to the <strong>On</strong> position and resume normal operation. Proceed to next step if this does not fix the problem.</td>
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<td>Open the electrical cabinet located inside the system. Check main power breakers <strong>F1</strong>. Reset the blown breaker.</td>
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<td>Did this correct the problem?</td>
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<td>If a breaker that has been reset blows again, contact the M.Braun Service Department.</td>
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### Purifier Inlet/Outlet Not Open

One or both of the valves controlling circulation flow to and from the purifier bed fails to open. Possible reasons for failure are:

- The gas pressure required to open the valve is too low;
- The gas supply tanks are empty.

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<td>Reset the regulator on the gas supply to 80psi. Did the valve open?</td>
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<td>Did this fix the problem?</td>
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### Vacuum Pump VPG1: Motor Protective Switch Activated

The vacuum pump controlling antechamber evacuation is drawing too much current. Possible reasons for failure are:

- Debris in the vacuum pump;
- Vacuum pump oil is low or degraded;
- Vacuum pump is defective.

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<td>Check the vacuum pump oil level using the sight glass. Top off the oil level as needed. Did this fix the problem?</td>
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<td>Check the vacuum pump oil color using the sight glass, it should be clear. Change the oil in the vacuum pump. Did this fix the problem?</td>
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<td>Open the electrical cabinet and check the <strong>F4</strong> breaker. Reset it if it is blown. Did this fix the problem?</td>
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<td>Did this fix the problem?</td>
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**Blower GB1: Motor Protective Switch Activated**

The blower has exceeded current draw limit. Possible reasons for failure are:

- The filter(s) is clogged;
- The blower is drawing too much amperage;
- A power outage or power surge;
- System restart;
- The blower is defective.

| Check the inlet and outlet filters inside the glovebox. Replace or clean as needed. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – proceed to the next step. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |
| Open the electrical cabinet and check the F3 breaker. Reset it if it is blown. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – proceed to the next step. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |
| Deactivate circulation via the Functions menu. Push the Fn button on the frequency converter to reset it. Reactivate circulation. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – contact the M.Braun Service Department. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |

**Box Pressure Too Low**

*Vacuum Pump VPG1 Switched Off*

The glovebox pressure has dropped to a level below -15mbar. Possible reasons for failure are:

- The antechamber evacuation valve is open and the inner door is not sealed properly;
- An open auxiliary vacuum source inside the glovebox not controlled by the PLC.

| Turn the antechamber evacuation valves to the closed position. Verify the inner door is sealed completely. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – proceed to the next step. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |
| Check auxiliary vacuum sources located within the glovebox. Ensure all seals are seated properly and securely. Fix the connections as needed. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – contact the M.Braun Service Department. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |

**Box Pressure Too High**

The glovebox pressure has risen to a level above +15mbar. Possible reasons for failure are:

- Entering the glovebox, using the gloves, too quickly;
- Upper working setpoint parameter is too close to the upper working limit;
- Auxiliary gas supply is open.

| Check the upper working setpoint parameter. Adjust as necessary to a limit of 10mbar or below. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – proceed to the next step. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |
| Turn off any unused auxiliary gas supply. | Yes – continue normal operation  
No – contact the M.Braun Service Department. |
| Did this fix the problem? |  |
### Sensor Box Pressure Defective
The main pressure sensor for the system has failed causing circulation, analyzers, gas in and gas out to be deactivated. Contact the M.Braun Service Department to obtain a replacement sensor.

### O2 or H2O Sensor Defective
The oxygen or moisture analyzer is not displaying a numerical reading on the PLC screen. Possible reasons for failure are:
- The cable is damaged;
- The RJ45 connector is not inserted correctly;
- The sensor head is damaged or defective.

| Check the RJ45 connector to ensure it is plugged into the analyzer properly. Adjust as necessary. | Yes – continue normal operation
| No – proceed to the next step. |
|---|---|
| Did this fix the problem? | |

| Unplug the RJ45 connector. Inspect the cable and plug for damage. Reinsert the connector back into the analyzer. | Yes – continue normal operation
| No – contact the M.Braun Service Department. |
|---|---|
| Did this fix the problem? | |

### Freezer Motor Protective Switch Activated
Box Cooling Motor Protective Switch Activated
The compressor used to operate the freezer or box cooling unit has exceeded current draw limit. Possible reasons for failure are:
- The compressor is drawing too much amperage;
- A power outage or power surge;
- System restart;
- The compressor is defective.

| Open the electrical cabinet and check the F7 breaker (freezer) or F8 breaker (box cooling). Reset it if it is blown. | Yes – continue normal operation
| No – contact the M.Braun Service Department. |
|---|---|
| Did this fix the problem? | |