# Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> Electron Multipliers

# Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> Series of **Electron Multipliers** for High Pressure Applications

## **Applications**

- ✓ Elevated pressures
- ✓ Portable mass spectrometers
- ✓ Residual gas analyzers
- ✓ Vacuum loadlocks
- ✓ Small ID vacuum systems
- ✓ Array detections, such as magnetic sector mass spectrometers

### Features

- ✓ Longer life
- ✓ Higher dynamic range
- ✓ Reduced ion feedback
- ✓ High performance at elevated pressures
- ✓ Gains in excess of 100,000,000
- ✓ Noise less than 1 count/sec
- ✓ Excellent single ion sensitivity
- ✓ Small, compact linear configuration

PHOTONIS USA Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> series of miniaturized channel electron multipliers can deliver high performance at pressures up to 10<sup>-2</sup> torr. The internal spiral structure facilitates low noise performance by significantly reducing the ion feedback typically generated from the high concentration of residual gas molecules in high pressure environments.

### **Multichannel Construction**

A Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> detector is a Channeltron<sup>®</sup> electron multiplier consisting of six individual channels fed from a common collector cone. This multi-channel configuration provides a six-fold increase in surface area compared to single channel electron multipliers, leading to longer life. The spiral section of the detector consists of six single channels which are twisted - barber pole fashion - around a solid center. This geometry results in effectively six times the output surface area and, in addition, allows a straight channel geometry since the curvature preventing ion feedback is accomplished internally. This dramatically increases detector life and dynamic range.

Six single channels



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### **Benefits of Spiral Channel Technology**

- Compact, on-axis design eliminates need for curved channels
- High dynamic range with six channels delays the onset of saturation
- Higher pressure operation spiral architecture significantly reduces ion feedback
- Analog or pulse counting modes
- Long Life extracted charge comes from six channels, not just one.
- Cone shape can be tailored for the application round, square, rectangular

### Spiraltron™

- Small, Linear Footprint
- Operates to 1 x10<sup>-4</sup> torr

Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> detectors operate at elevated pressures into the 10<sup>-4</sup> torr range, a factor of 10 above CEMs and discrete dynode multipliers. Spiraltron<sup>™</sup> electron multipliers are ideal for applications requiring high linearity. In addition, they provide excellent single ion sensitivity, producing Gaussian pulse height distributions (PHD).

#### MegaSpiraltron™

- Compact and rugged design
- Operates to 1 x 10<sup>-2</sup> torr

The MegaSpiraltron<sup>™</sup> detector is a physically small, robust ion detector that can achieve high gain while maintaining low noise. These detectors have a compact, durable design and are only 1.35" long and 0.6" in diameter making them an excellent choice for portable instrumentation.

#### MAGNUM™

- Easy integration
- Analog or pulse counting
- Operates to 7 x 10<sup>-4</sup> torr

MAGNUM<sup>™</sup> electron multipliers provide high dynamic range with high gain and low noise. The single piece cartridge design allows easy integration and replacement. MAGNUM<sup>™</sup> detectors are available for analog or pulse counting applications, with standard or extended dynamic range performance.

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