

the optimum condition for each group. It is the complicated manner to change the condition by manual setting.

The automatic quenching level selector in liquid scintillation system eliminate that

complication by automatical compensating for varying samples by adjusting amplifier-gain to the optimum setting for each sample before it is counted.

## Trial Manufacture of Dilution Computer for Measuring Circulation Blood Quantity and its Performance.

*Japan Radiation and Medical Electronics, Inc.*

Y. SATOMI, A. KOYANO, M. MORI, and M. TUKAMOTO

“Measurement of circulation blood quantity by radio isotope dilution method has recently been recognized its clinical utility and hence the demand for handy, accurate, speedy and repeatable measuring devices. Then this dilution computer has been developed which can automatically computes the dilution formula and directly read the circulation blood quantity in ml. Its detecting part consists of 2"φ × 3" side hole type NaI (TI) scintillation detector and lead shield 3cm thick. The well A in the middle of scintillator and the well B at its surface 17.5cm away from the well A are used for measurements of dilution samples and tracer doses respectively.

The measuring part consists of reversible scaler timer, digital computer, program circuit, etc. The operation formula is as follows:

where

$$V = K (I_1 - I_2) / (I_3 - I_4)$$

$I_1$  = dose in syringe

$I_2$  = dose in syringe after injection

$I_3$  = dose in blood sample after maxing

$I_4$  = dose in blood sample before maxing

$K$  = blood sample (1) × counting efficiency

ratio (well A/B).

$I_1$  is automatically counted in preset-count of  $4 \times 10^4$ . This counting time  $t$  is memorized on the timer, so  $I_2$  is counted in  $t$ , and  $I_3$  &  $I_4$  in  $4t$ . In case of  $^{131}\text{I}$ -RISA, the counting efficiency ratio of well A & B is about 55 to 1 and the amount of blood sample is 6ml, so  $K$  is approximately  $55 \times 4 \times 6/1000 (=1.320)$ .

Constant  $K$  of any four figures can be placed according to the nuclide of Tracer Dose.

Since net amount of tracer dose ( $I_1 - I_2$ ) and time ( $t$ ) are automatically memorized in memory circuit, measurement can be repeated.

### *Performance*

Measuring range: 0.51 t o101; 0.15 to 31

Blood sample: 6ml/2ml twice

RI dose:  $1\mu\text{Ci}$  to  $10\mu\text{Ci}/2\text{ml}$  ( $^{131}\text{I}$ -RISA)

Accuracy:  $\pm 1.5\%$  ( $4\mu\text{Ci}$ , 41.)

Measuring time: 72 sec to 720 sec (excluding mixing time)

Constant setter: 0.000 to 9.999; two sets

Syringe: disposable syringe (2.5 ml.)

Test tube: W-6, R-6 type (Pre, Post 6 ml.)

W-2, R-2 type (Pre, Post 2 ml.)

Others: Repeating and ratio measurements possible.