

Microprocessor-controlled  
True Vertical Laminar Flow



Based on our Esco Airstream® Vertical Laminar Flow Cabinet product line, **Esco® PCR Vertical Laminar Flow Cabinet has been designed specifically for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) applications\***. Unlike conventional dead air boxes, this enclosure features **ISO Class 4 (US Federal Standard 209E Class 10)** product protection within the work zone by vertical laminar airflow.

By providing a particulate-free work environment, these cabinets isolate critical steps in the PCR process from contamination present in the ambient environment, and can be operated effectively as "mini-environments" in the laboratory. True vertical laminar flow in the interior also **prevents cross contamination within the work zone**. Other features typical of laminar flow cabinets, such as a positively pressurized interior, also ensure that contamination from the ambient environment cannot enter the work zone.

\* Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) is a patented process owned by Hoffman La Roche.

**The only PCR cabinet that monitors the performance and usage hours of UV lamp, pre-filter and main ULPA filter, and alerts the user when replacement is required.**

Unlike other PCR solutions from the competition, a unique feature of these models is that every unit produced is **rigorously tested and certified** at our in-house laboratory after production for performance, in accordance with the latest clean air standards. For your assurance, each cabinet also ships complete with a **factory commissioning report** detailing the tests performed and results obtained. Experience the benefits of proven product and cross-contamination protection based on Esco's **experience of more than 20 years** with laminar flow and HEPA / ULPA filtration technologies.

**The built-in UV lamp decontamination system** in the cabinet functions effectively, using a proven protocol, for sterilisation of contaminant DNA / RNA in between applications. The **double-flap safety cover** protects the user while allowing safe access to work zone.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: Esco PCR Cabinets only provide product (sample) protection. When both operator and product protection is required during the PCR process, Esco's Class II biohazard safety cabinet range is recommended.**

#### MAIN FILTRATION AGENTS

► **True vertical laminar airflow** with a large filter covering the entire work zone within the cabinet for better protection against cross contamination, as compared to conventional dead-air boxes.

► High-quality polyester pre-filter and main **HEPA filter with a typical efficiency of 99.9998% at 0.3 microns** provide the best product protection in the world; typical ULPA filter lifespan is more than 3 years depending on operating conditions and total number of hours in usage.

#### CONTROL FEATURES

► **Esco Sentinel™ Microprocessor Control** provides users flexibility and full configurability according to the requirements of the user.

► **Admin PIN** can be set on the control to restrict unauthorized access to menu parameters.

► **UV decontamination cycle is fully programmable using the Microprocessor keypad**; a timer will turn off the UV lamp after the set period of time.

► **Unique pre-filter change alarm and UV lamp replacement alarm** make the cabinet the safest and the most user-friendly PCR cabinet on the market.

#### CONSTRUCTION FEATURES

► **Ergonomic sloped-front design** allows for optimum operator comfort and visibility into workzone during operations

► **Rugged all-metal body** is superior to less durable plastic construction offered by the competition; high quality, easy to clean stainless steel work surface for lasting performance.

► **Integral safety cover** (constructed of 5mm / 0.2" UV-absorbing beta radiation resistant polycarbonate - superior to conventional materials such as acrylic) with two operating positions; fully open (self-supporting with spring hinges) during normal use and fully closed during UV decontamination of work zone.

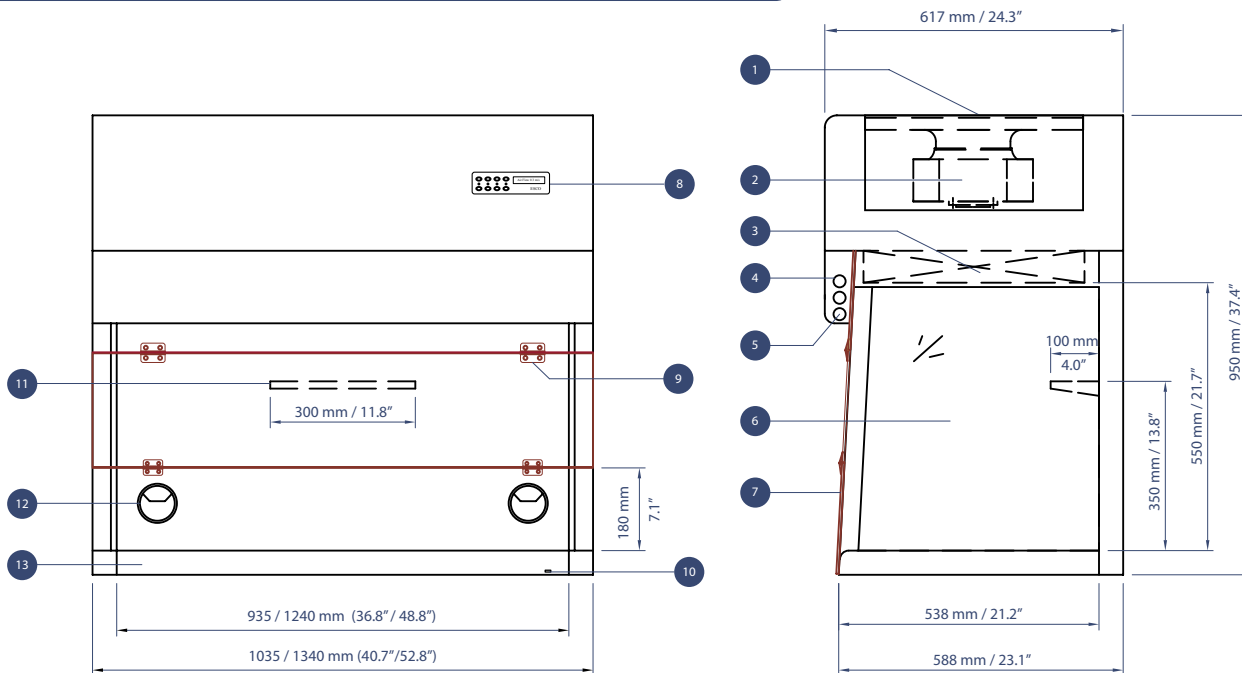
► **Powerful 253.7 nanometer 20-watt UV lamp** within work zone is placed out of the operator's line of sight for extra comfort. In addition, the placement ensures the UV lamp does not obstruct laminar downflow within workzone.

► **Effective safety features** to prevent operator exposure to harmful UV rays; interlock system ensures UV lamps do not activate unless safety cover is closed; in case the cover is accidentally opened the UV lamps will also automatically deactivate.

► Built-in warm white, **electronically ballasted 5000K** lighting offers excellent illumination throughout the work zone in order to reduce operator fatigue and is comfortable to the eyes. Light tubes are mounted out of the air stream for better airflow uniformity.

► Designed to meet the safety requirements of IEC 61010-1 / EN 61010-1 / UL 61010A-1 / CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1-92. Components are UL listed / recognised.

► **Extended 3-year warranty** excluding consumables and accessories.



- 1. Pre-filter 2. Blower 3. HEPA Filter 4. UV Lamp 5. Fluorescent Lamps 6. Tempered Glass Side Panel
- 7. Hinged Cover, Polycarbonate 8. Esco Sentinel™ Microprocessor Control System 9. Spring-loaded Hinge
- 10. UV Interlocking Magnetic Switch 11. Perforated Powder-coated Shelf
- 12. Pass-through Flap (1 for 3ft, 2 for 4ft model) 13. Stainless Steel Worktop with Curved Front Edge

**Optional Retrofit Kits™** Support stand available in heights: 28" / 710 mm and 34" / 860 mm with castor wheels or levelling feet

General Specifications		PCR-3AX	PCR-4AX
External Dimensions (WxDxH)		1035 x 617 x 950 mm / 40.7" x 24.3" x 37.4"	1340 x 617 x 950 mm / 52.8" x 24.3" x 37.4"
Internal Work Zone (WxDxH)		935 x 538 x 550 mm / 36.8" x 21.2" x 13.8"	1240 x 538 x 550 mm / 48.8" x 21.2" x 13.8"
Air Volume (At Initial Velocity)		815 cmh / 480 cfm	1080 cmh / 635 cfm
Laminar Airflow Velocity		Average of 0.30 m/s or 60 fpm measured 150mm / 6" from filter face for 38 air changes / minute in work zone	
Standards Compliance		Individually performance tested and certified at factory under controlled conditions for: General requirements: IEST-RP-CC002.2 and AS1386.5 Air cleanliness: ISO 14644.1 Class 4, IEST-G-CC1001, IEST-G-CC1002 and other equivalent air cleanliness requirements Filter performance: IEST-RP-CC034.1, IEST-RP-CC007.1, IEST-RP-CC001.3 and EN1822 Electrical safety: IEC 61010-1 / EN 61010-1 / UL 61010A-1 / CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1-92	
Air Cleanliness Within Working Area		ISO 14644.1 Class 4, US Federal Standard 209E Class 2 / M2.5, AS 1386 Class 2.5, JIS B9920 Class 4, BS5295 Class D, Class M100,000 as per KS 27030.1 and other equivalent cleanliness classifications of the VDI 2083 and AFNOR X44101	
Main Filter Type		H13 HEPA filter with integral metal guards and filter frame gaskets on both sides; fully compliant with EN 1822 and IEST-RP-CC001.3 requirements; Typical efficiency: 99.9998% at 0.3 microns / 99.9998% at 0.12 microns / 99.99979% at MPPS	
Pre-Filter		Washable non-woven polyurethane fibers with an efficiency of 20%; framed in aluminium with an integral metal guard	
Noise Level		Typically <67 dBA at initial blower speed setting measured as per IEST -RP-CC002.2 (figure based on 4 feet cabinet, subject to acoustic properties of test environment)	
Light Intensity		>800 lux / >75 foot candles, measured at work surface level (zero background) as per IEST-RP-CC002.2	
Main Body Construction		Electro-galvanised steel with white oven-baked epoxy powder-coated finish	
Side Window Construction		Colourless and transparent UV-absorbing 5 mm / 0.2" tempered glass	
Work Surface Construction		1.2mmt / 0.05" / 18 gauge stainless steel grade 304	
Max Power Consumption / Current	220-240VAC / 50Hz 1Ph	164W / 0.71A	180W / 0.78A
	110-130VAC / 60Hz 1Ph	164W / 1.43A	180W / 1.57A
Power Supply Options		<b>Choose from the following options and specify option number when ordering (e.g. PCR-4A2 for a 110-130VAC 60HZ)</b> 1. 220-240VAC 50HZ 2. 110-130VAC 60HZ 3. 220-240VAC 60HZ 4. 110-130VAC 50HZ 5. 100-110VAC 50HZ / 60HZ	
Net Weight (Approximate)		123 kgs / 271 lbs	147 kgs / 324 lbs
Max Shipping Weight		206 kgs / 454 lbs	257 kgs / 567 lbs
Max Shipping Dimensions (W x D x H)		1085 x 790 x 1300 mm / 42.7" x 31.1" x 51.2"	1390 x 790 x 1300 mm / 54.7" x 31.1" x 51.2"
Max Shipping Volume		1.11 cbm / 39.3 cbf	1.43 cbm / 50.4 cbf

**ESCO® Esco Biotechnology Equipment Division**

Esco Biotech is a highly focused manufacturer of laminar flow, biohazard safety and other HEPA-filtered cabinets for the laboratory with a history of quality cabinets since 1978. We are predominantly oriented towards the international marketplace, with sales in more than 60 countries and 90% of turnover exported. Our products have been independently tested to standards such as AS1807.5 and EN12469. Products are manufactured under an ISO 9001 registered quality system.



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