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IonBar™ (Ionizing Bar)

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1.0 Description

Terra's IonBar[™] uses pairs of ion emitters to generate a balanced stream of positive and negative ions, safely neutralizing electrostatic surface charges to protect sensitive devices. Available in lengths of 11", 22", 33" or 44", these bars are designed for installation in a laminar air stream, which distributes the positive and negative up to 48" from the emitter tips (see "Specifications" for static decay rates).

Because the IonBar[™] operates at low voltage (24 VAC), it is safe to operate and generates minimal RFI/EMI. The PVC case contains the low-voltage power supply and titanium emitters, which can be replaced in a matter of minutes.



For effective operation, the lonBar[™] should be mounted in a laminar airflow traveling at least 50 fpm (90 fpm recommended for effective particle control).

Configurations

The IonBar™ is available in three application-specific configurations to simplify setup:

- IonBar[™] for Fan/Filter Units (User Installed)
- IonBar[™] for Gloveboxes (Preinstalled; includes fan module)
- IonBar[™] for Laminar Flow Hoods (Preinstalled)

IonBars[™] can also be purchased individually and installed by the user in the desired application. An installation kit with standard FFU mounting brackets is sold separately and includes the power supply transformer.



For installation in a hood, the overall hood width should be <u>at least</u> 2" greater than the length of the desired $IonBar^{TM}$.

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2.0 Installation

Carefully unpack your ionizing equipment. Report any shipping damage immediately to the freight company.

Installation on Fan/Filter Units

When ordered with a fan/filter unit, the IonBar[™] includes a set of stainless steel mounting brackets designed to suspend the IonBar[™] within the stream of HEPA-filtered air. The airflow is required for the ions to reach the targeted surface before they are dispersed, allowing for efficient neutralization of static charges.

Attach the mounting brackets according to the diagram below (one on each end), using the provided screws.



Figure 1: Fasten the mounting bracket in the orientation shown above.

With the mounting brackets installed, place the lonBar[™] in the ceiling bay where the fan/filter unit goes. The mounting brackets will rest upon the frame of the ceiling bay; no other fasteners are required. Simply lower the FFU into the ceiling bay and allow the weight of the FFU to hold the lonBar[™] in position.

Installation on Gloveboxes

When ordered with a glovebox, the IonBar[™] will be mounted to a stainless steel fan module that will aid in the dispersal of ions. The IonBar[™] assembly will be preinstalled in the chamber, in the orientation specified by the original order.

Typically, the ions need to be directed downward towards the main work area. However, in some cases, the application requires the ions to be directed towards the user, eliminating static around the gloves. The design of the mounting brackets allows for a wide range of mounting locations to best suit your application.



Figure 2: The airflow from the fan module is required to disperse the generated ions throughout the glovebox



Installation on Laminar Flow Hoods

When ordered with a laminar flow hood, the lonBar[™] is installed in the exact same way as with a fan/filter unit in a cleanroom. The mounting brackets will rest on the top edges of the hood and the FFU will be placed directly on top of the brackets, holding the lonBar[™] in position. The lonBar[™] emitters will aim downwards toward the work surface.



Figure 3: Place the lonBar™ on the hood frame before lowering the fan/filter unit into position.

Whether incorporated into a laminar-flow system or used as a stand-alone device, the lonBar[™] requires connection to a 24V power transformer. If the lonBar[™] is ordered with the Installation Kit, the power transformer, power cable, and appropriate mounting clips will be included.

- 1. Use a telephone-type connector and low-voltage cable to connect the lonBar™ to the power transformer.
- 2. Connect the transformer to the appropriate power supply (120VAC or 240VAC).

NOTE

A single transformer provides ample power for up to 20 emitter pairs. Depending on the length of your lonBar[™], multiple units can be interconnected using low-voltage telephone cable to daisy-chain the units.

Once connected to power, the lonBar™ immediately emits balanced streams of positive and negative ions through each emitter pair. Effective ion distribution requires an airflow speed of at least 50 fpm.



Do not block access to the power transformer. This connection serves as the main disconnect for the system in the event of an emergency.



3.0 Maintenance



Disconnect the unit from the power supply before servicing.

The lonBar™ requires little maintenance beyond occasional cleaning. Frequency of cleaning depends on the cleanliness of air in the immediate vicinity of the lonBar™.

The emitter housing may be cleaned using alcohol or other mild detergent and de-ionized water.

If deposits are observed on the emitter tips,

- 1. Disconnect the IonBar™ from system power.
- 2. Use a cleanroom swab moistened with a cleaning solution of 50% isopropyl alcohol and 50% de-ionized water to remove deposits from the emitter points.
- 3. If deposits cannot be removed, or if the tips appear worn or bent, the IonBar[™] may not discharge surfaces with optimal efficiency. In this case, replace the tips. Use a pencil eraser or needle-nosed pliers to remove the old tip. Insert the new tip and gently press until it seats against the connector; no twisting is necessary.

4.0 Specifications

Replacement Parts		
Product	Catalog #	
120VAC Power Transformer	2005-09A	
220VAC Power Transformer	2005-09A-220	
Replacement Titanium Emitters	2005-45	
Low-Voltage Power Cable	2005-27	

General IonBar™ Specifications		
Construction		
Exterior	PVC	
Emitters	Machined titanium; 3-year estimated life (Field replaceable)	
Emitter Output	12,000V	
Power Ratings		
System Power	24 VAC	
Input Power (Wall Transformer)	120/220VAC, 50/60Hz	
Current Draw	104 mA (44" model)	
Performance		
Static Decay Time	Discharge times directly under the lonBar [™] average 28 seconds (from ± 1,000 volts to 100 volts), measured in a 4-foot laminar flow hood with air speed of 90 feet/minute.	



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IonBar™ Specifications Table			
Environmental Conditions			
Use (Indoor/Outdoor)	Indoor Use Only		
Altitude	Up to 2,000 m		
Operating Temperature	5°C to 40°C		
Maximum Room Relative Humidity	80% @ 31°C (50% @ 40°C)		
Allowable Voltage Fluctuation	±10%		
Equipment Ratings			
Voltage Rating	120/220VAC		
Frequency Rating	50/60Hz		
Power Rating	1A		
List of Input Connections	Telephone cable connector (low voltage)		
List of Output Connections	Telephone cable connector (wall transformer)		
Equipment Installation			
Assembly	See Section 2: Installation (Page 3)		
Protective Earthing (Grounding)	N/A		
Utility Requirements	None		
Equipment Operation			
Operating Controls	None		
Disconnect Device	Wall transformer; see warning on Page 5		
Accessory Connections	None		
Specification of limits for intermittent operation	None		
Safety Symbols	N/A		
Service and Maintenance	User serviceable; see Section 3: Maintenance (Page 5)		
Replacement Parts	See Section 4: Specifications (Page 5)		
Cleaning/Decontamination	See Section 3: Maintenance (Page 5)		
Poisonous/Hazardous Gas	N/A; no hazardous gases		
Flammable Liquids	N/A; no flammable liquids		



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Generally, customers can improve the chance of collecting on a freight claim by following these procedures: 1) formally requesting that the carrier inspect the shipment immediately upon suspecting damage or shortage to verify condition; 2) notifying the carrier upon discovery of concealed damage and requesting an inspection within 15 days of receipt, both in person or phone and following up via mail; 3) keeping the shipment as intact as possible, including retaining original packaging materials and keeping the product as close to the original receiving location as possible; 4) holding salvage for disposition by the carrier.

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