Our MAP solutions guarantee certified safety for your packaging process. Keyword: HACCP

DOES YOUR PROCESS INVOLVE MODIFIED ATMOSPHERE PACKAGING (MAP)?

FRIEDRICH HILLEBRAND, REGIONAL SALES MANAGER – WITT-GASETECHNIK
THE RIGHT MODIFIED ATMOSPHERE FOR EVERY PRODUCT

PROTECTIVE GASES

› **OXYGEN (O₂)** essentially causes food to spoil due to oxidation and forms the ideal preconditions for aerobic microorganisms to grow. As a result, oxygen is frequently excluded from modified atmosphere packaging. In some cases – typically red meat – processing is deliberately carried out with high oxygen concentrations, in order to prevent the red colour from becoming ‘pale’ and inhibit the growth of anaerobic organisms.

› **CARBON DIOXIDE (CO₂)** is colourless, odourless and tasteless. It has an oxidation-inhibiting and growth-inhibiting effect on most aerobic bacteria and moulds. The gas is frequently used to increase the shelf life of food. The shelf life of packaged or stored food is normally longer, the higher the CO₂ content. Nevertheless, many products can become sour if the dosage is too high. In addition, the gas can diffuse out of the packaging or be absorbed by the product – the packaging collapses. The use of supporting or filling gases can slow down this effect.

› **NITROGEN (N₂)** is an inert gas and exhibits a high degree of purity, depending on the production. It is usually used for displacing air, especially atmospheric oxygen, in food packaging. This prevents the oxidation of food and inhibits the growth of aerobic microorganisms. It is frequently used as a supporting or filling gas, as it diffuses very slowly through plastic films and hence remains longer in the packaging.

› **CARBON MONOXIDE (CO)** is colourless, odourless and tasteless. Similar to oxygen, carbon monoxide is sometimes used to retain the red colour of, for the most part, meat. The required concentrations are very low. In some countries, including the EU, the use of carbon monoxide for modified atmospheres is nevertheless prohibited in foods.

MEAT AND SAUSAGE PRODUCTS

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<td>Sausages</td>
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Meat and sausage products, above all raw meat, are very prone to spoiling due to microbial growth on account of their high moisture and nutrient content. No matter whether beef, pork or poultry – spoilage begins from the moment of slaughter and especially all butchering. Besides high hygiene standards and permanent cooling, modified atmospheres can significantly extend the shelf life of meat and sausage products. CO₂ is the most important among the protective gases. At concentrations above 20 %, CO₂ can considerably reduce microbial growth.

In the case of red meat, there is also the risk of oxidation of the red colour pigments. The meat will lose its red colour, becoming grey and unappetising in appearance. This oxidation is especially prominent with beef. A high oxygen content in protective gas packaging can prevent oxidation. A low carbon monoxide content (approx. 0.5 %) can also help to retain the red colour of meat. However, the use of gas is not allowed in the EU, for example.

Poultry is especially sensitive to rapid spoilage and is therefore subject to higher requirements for permanent cooling. Here too, a modified atmosphere with CO₂ content will extend the shelf life. A high oxygen content is also used for poultry without skin so as to retain the colour of the meat. The CO₂ can partly be absorbed by the foods. To prevent the packaging from collapsing, nitrogen is used as a supporting gas.

Sausage and meat products, e.g. marinated or smoked meat pieces, react very differently depending on the preparation. The longer shelf life from the start can also be influenced positively with protective gases. The CO₂ content should not be too high with these products, in order to prevent a sour taste.

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<td>Raw red meat</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>20–30</td>
<td>0–10</td>
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<tr>
<td>Raw entrails</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Raw poultry with skin</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>70</td>
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<tr>
<td>Raw poultry without skin</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>20–30</td>
<td>0–10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cooked meat and sausage products</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>20–30</td>
<td>70–80</td>
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**FISH AND SEAFOOD PRODUCTS**

Fish and seafood are some of the most sensitive foods. They are at risk of rapidly declining in quality and spoiling even shortly after the catch. The reason for this lies in the neutral pH value as an ideal precondition for microorganisms as well as special enzymes that negatively affect taste and odour. Fish, which is rich in fatty acids, also becomes rancid quickly.

The most important element for a longer shelf life is cooling close to 0° Celsius. Modified atmospheres with minimum 20 % CO₂ also retard the growth of bacteria. CO₂ components around 50 % are frequently used. Higher CO₂ concentrations can lead to undesirable side effects such as liquid loss or a sour taste.

In the case of low-fat fish and shellfish, O₂ is also used in the packaging. This prevents a fading or loss of the colour, while serving as a growth inhibitor for some types of bacteria at the same time.

When dealing with shellfish and crustaceans, special attention should be paid to ensuring a CO₂ content that is not too high. This can be discerned most clearly by a sour taste, while these products absorb CO₂ the most, as a result of which the packaging can collapse. Nitrogen as an inert supporting gas prevents this effect.

**DAIRY PRODUCTS**

Cheese is predominantly spoiled by microbial growth or rancidness. A continuous cooling chain essentially extends the shelf life of products. With hard cheese, there is a risk of mould formation upon contact with oxygen. As a result, vacuum packaging was frequently used in the past, even though these are awkward to open and can leave unattractive marks behind on the product at the same time.

CO₂ effectively prevents mould formation, but does not otherwise affect the maturation of the cheese.

Soft cheese can quickly become rancid. This problem can also be tackled with CO₂ modified atmospheres. However, as soft cheese absorbs CO₂ to a significantly higher extent, there is a risk of the packaging collapsing. A correspondingly lower CO₂ content should therefore be chosen.

In the case of milk products such as yoghurt or cream, there is a risk of the products absorbing too much CO₂ and becoming sour. A lower CO₂ content should therefore be chosen.

Milk powder, above all for use in baby food, is a highly sensitive product. It is especially important to ensure that oxygen is displaced from the packaging in order to extend the shelf life. In practice, packaging is carried out in pure nitrogen with as low a residual oxygen content as possible.

### Shelf Life in Air vs. Shelf Life with MAP

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<th>Product Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>Raw low-fat fish and crustaceans</td>
<td>2–4 days</td>
<td>4–9 days</td>
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<tr>
<td>Raw high-fat fish and crustaceans</td>
<td>2–3 days</td>
<td>4–6 days</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cooked fish</td>
<td>2–4 days</td>
<td>3–4 weeks</td>
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<tr>
<td>Smoked and refined fish and seafood products</td>
<td>5–10 days</td>
<td>7–21 days</td>
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### Gas Mixture Composition in %

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<td>20–30</td>
<td>40–60</td>
<td>20–40</td>
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<tr>
<td>Raw high-fat fish</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>60</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shellfish and crustaceans</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cooked/Smoked fish</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>30–60</td>
<td>40–70</td>
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<th>O₂</th>
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<tr>
<td>Hard cheese</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>30–100</td>
<td>0–70</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Soft cheese</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>10–40</td>
<td>60–90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sliced cheese</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>30–40</td>
<td>60–70</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cream cheese</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Yoghurt</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0–30</td>
<td>70–100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Milk powder</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0–20</td>
<td>80–100</td>
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BREAD AND CAKE

With bread, cake and biscuits, the shelf life is primarily affected by potential mould formation. A high standard of hygiene during production and packaging can significantly minimise this risk. Packaging involving a modified atmosphere with CO₂ and without oxygen extensively prevents the products from becoming mouldy and extends the shelf life. To prevent the packaging from collapsing owing to CO₂ absorption by the products, nitrogen is used as a supporting gas in many cases.

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<tr>
<td>Bread</td>
<td>some days</td>
<td>2 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pre-baked bread</td>
<td>5 days</td>
<td>20 days</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cakes</td>
<td>several weeks</td>
<td>up to one year</td>
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FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Modified atmospheres in packaging make it possible to offer consumers fresh and untreated products – in other words succulently fresh fruit and vegetables – with a long shelf life. At the same time, fruit and vegetables are subject to very special requirements in regard to the nature of the packaging and atmosphere. This is because – in contrast to other food – fruit and vegetables continue breathing after the harvest and consequently require an oxygen content in the packaging. Furthermore, the packaging film does not have to be fully tight. By taking the product’s breathing and the permeability of the film, typically via micro-perforation, into account, the composition of carbon dioxide, nitrogen and low amounts of oxygen ideal for the product can be maintained. The term used here is an EMA (equilibrium modified atmosphere). The gas composition is individually adapted to the corresponding product.

Thorough cleaning along with hygienic processing are the fundamental preconditions for long-lasting freshness. Modified atmospheres, in conjunction with corresponding cooling, can be used to extend the shelf life of fresh produce, while achieving an attractive packaging design at the point of sale.

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<tr>
<td>Crispy breads</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>50–100</td>
<td>0–50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cakes, biscuits</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
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WINE

Gases or gas mixtures are often used to protect wine in the different phases of its production process and to retain the quality of the product. They are mainly used to avoid contact with oxygen and prevent microbial deterioration. The tank headspace is replaced with an inert gas or a gas mixture, for example of CO₂, N₂ or Ar. The composition of the gases is chosen according to the type of wine.

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<tr>
<td>White wine / Rosé</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>White wine / Rosé</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>80</td>
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<tr>
<td>Red wine</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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PASTA AND READY-MADE MEALS

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<tr>
<td>Fresh pasta</td>
<td>1–2 weeks</td>
<td>3–4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pizza</td>
<td>7–10 days</td>
<td>2–4 weeks</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Convenience foods</td>
<td>2–5 days</td>
<td>7–20 days</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Combination products (sandwiches, pies, meat and fish in batter, etc.)</td>
<td>2–7 days</td>
<td>3–21 days</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chilled fruit and vegetable juices</td>
<td>1 week</td>
<td>2–3 weeks</td>
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The nature and composition of fresh pasta and, in particular, ready-made meals are very different. Above all, multi-component products such as ready-made pizzas or sandwiches contain many different foods with differing shelf lives and spoilage properties. In the majority of cases, modified atmospheres can significantly extend the shelf life without using oxygen. Mixtures of CO₂ and nitrogen are used here. The concentration of the gases is oriented to the content of the product. If, for example, there is a risk that large volumes of CO₂ will be absorbed by the product, the nitrogen content should be chosen higher to prevent the packaging from collapsing.

SNACKS AND NUTS

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<td>Dried foods (snacks, coffee, dried milk, herbs, etc.)</td>
<td>4–8 months</td>
<td>1–2 years</td>
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Snack products, for example potato crisps or peanuts, primarily involve problems associated with the fat content of the food. There is a risk of oxidation, whereby the products can quickly become rancid if the packaging is not optimal. To extend the shelf life, it is therefore important to minimise the contact with oxygen. Modified atmospheres with 100 % nitrogen are frequently used. In this way, a premature spoilage can be prevented, while these atmospheres also provide protection from mechanical damage to sensitive products, e. g. potato crisps in conventional packets.

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<td>Snacks/Crisps/Peanuts</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>100</td>
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COFFEE

As a dried product, coffee is relatively insensitive to spoilage by microorganisms. However, the risk of the fatty acids it contains oxidising and making the product rancid is greater. To prevent this, coffee is packaged with the exclusion of oxygen. Instead, a modified atmosphere comprising pure nitrogen is frequently used in coffee sachets or capsules.

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<td>Coffee</td>
<td>0</td>
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CONTROLLED QUALITY OFFERS PEACE OF MIND!

ISO 22000 approval for food safety
If you master and control your modified atmosphere packaging process you get a safe and appealing food package and protect the quality of your products. WITT gives you effective support for your quality assurance.

As a solution provider we offer high quality products for every part of the packaging process. Gas mixers, gas analysers, leak detection and ambient air monitoring – with WITT you get modern MAP solutions from a single source. Of course certified according to ISO 22000 food safety standard.

Rely on the highest level of technical standard that is available with modern MAP gas technology by WITT – for optimal process safety and perfect food quality.

The illustration of the packaging process shows where WITT products provide quality and security.

**› GAS MIXER AND GAS FLOW CONTROL SYSTEMS**
1. KM-Series
2. MG-Series
3. KD 500-1A

**› GAS ANALYSERS**
4. OXYBABY® O₂/CO₂
5. PA O₂/CO₂
6. MAPY O₂/CO₂/CO/N₂O/He/C₂H₄

**› LEAK DETECTION SYSTEMS**
7. LEAK-MASTER® EASY
8. LEAK-MASTER® PRO
9A. LEAK-MASTER® MAPMAX (Leak detection for single packages)
9B. LEAK-MASTER® MAPMAX (secondary packaging e.g. cartons E2-boxes)

**› AMBIENT AIR MONITORING**
10. ROOM AIR MONITORING

Please find the explanation to each product and also the corresponding technical features and benefits in the chart on the following pages.
GAS MIXERS AND METERERS

In the packaging process the air inside the package is replaced by a gas or a gas mixture. Today, in most of the cases gas mixers are used to create these gas mixtures. MAP gas mixers by WITT provide controlled gas quality and safety in your packaging process – for germfree and preserving food. But above all they offer high flexibility to the user. At the push of a button different mixtures can be produced in shortest time on one packaging line, depending of the requirements of the product. WITT offers gas mixing and metering systems for all packaging machines used in the food industry, no matter if vacuum packaging, thermo forming, flow pack or chamber packaging machine. The gas mixing systems are adjusted to your specific product type and processing and require only basic installation requirements.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

APPLYING

Gas mixing systems for 2 or 3 defined gases, designed for a variety of applications, particularly for all areas with constant or varying mixed gas flow demands.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS

- Infinitely variable mixture settings
  ➔ Always the correct gas mixture
- Proportional mixing valve for two gases with %-scale
  Individual mixing valves for three gases with %-scale
  ➔ Easy mixture adjustment without any complicated calculation
- Gas mixture withdrawal from zero to max flow capacity
  ➔ All-purpose for large and small packages
- Integrated pressure equalization system
  ➔ Protection against pressure fluctuations in the gas supply
- Splash-proof, robust stainless steel housing
  ➔ Easy to clean and hygienic

OPTIONS

- Gas supply monitoring
- Integrated analysis
- Mixer mounted on a buffer tank
- For flammable gases available as Ex-version with separate control cabinet
- Remote control

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APPLICATION
Electronic flow control system for modified atmosphere packaging (MAP) to suit flow pack machines in the food industry and for room atmospheres e.g. for the storage of fruit and vegetables. Total control of the O₂ residual in the pack.

FEATURES ➜ YOUR BENEFITS
• Integrated O₂ analysis
  ➜ Reliability by permanent control of the O₂ concentration
• Electronic control of gas flow to sensor
  ➜ Optimal process reliability by self-control
• Threshold limit control with alarm relay contacts
  ➜ Direct alarm reaction avoids defective goods (by stopping the packaging machine)
• Integrated pressure control
  ➜ Protection against pressure fluctuations in the gas supply
• Splash-proof and robust stainless steel housing
  ➜ Easy to clean and hygienic
• Interfaces for documentation and remote transfer of settings and measured values
  ➜ Customer-oriented quality documentation

OPTIONS
• GAS CONTROL CENTRE Software for data processing
• Integrated printer for data documentation
• Separate printer for data documentation
• Zirconia sensor for O₂ measurement

Product features may differ according to version
Gas analysers are essential for quality control in the MAP process. The monitoring can be done as permanent analysis directly during the packaging process or after the packaging process as sample test. For the permanent analysis a gas analyser module is integrated into the gas mixing system. The gas analyser monitors the correct composition of the gas mixture. The sample testing is part of the quality control of almost every company who is working with modified atmospheres. Via a needle a sample is taken from the package. High quality WITT gas analysers are working with modern sensors. They are very precise and fast and require a very low gas volume. By this they are suitable also for packs with very small headspace, a very low volume of gas inside the package. All data is logged and can be archived for complete documentation of the quality assurance.

OXYBABY® – O₂/CO₂

APPLICATION
Cordless hand held Gas Analyser for checking modified atmosphere packs (MAP). The ideal instrument for portable, faster and accurate sample tests at the packaging machine, in stores or in laboratories.

FEATURES → YOUR BENEFITS
- Minimum sample gas requirement (approx. 2 ml)
  → Ideal instrument for all pack sizes
- Fast measurement
  → Result after max. 6 seconds
- O₂ value is displayed in 0.01 % steps
  → Oxygen can be controlled maximum precisely
- Ergonomic design
  → Genuine one hand operation, plug and play
- Large illuminated graphic-text-display
  → Easy to read. All information at a glance
- Integrated needle cover
  → User protection
- Integrated data logger
  → Storage of the last 500 measurements
- Specific product names
  → Practical classification of the measured values
- Flow Control with alarm function
  → Prevention of incorrect results
- USB port
  → Comfortable connection to PC
- Multilingual menu guide
  → D, UK, F, I, NL, S, FIN, E, PL, RUS, JP, CN, H, TR

OPTIONS
- Integrated barcode-reader
- Bluetooth
- OBCC Software
  for data processing
- Separate printer via Bluetooth
  for result documentation
- Device for headspace analysis
  in cans/bottles
- P version (for pressurised sample gas)
PA – O₂/CO₂

APPLICATION
Compact Gas Analyser for checking and/or monitoring modified atmosphere packs/packaging (MAP). For continuous analysis (in-line) and also intermittent sampling via a needle at the packaging machine, in stores or in laboratories.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS
- Minimum sample gas requirement ➔ Ideal instrument for all pack sizes
- Threshold limit control with alarm relay contacts ➔ Direct alarm reaction avoids defective goods (by stopping the packaging machine)
- Large illuminated graphic-text-display ➔ Easy to read. All information at a glance
- Zirconia sensor for O₂ measurement possible ➔ Fast, precise measurement
- Integrated data logger ➔ Storage of the last 500 measurements
- Specific product names ➔ Practical classification of the measured values
- USB port ➔ Comfortable connection to PC
- Continuous analysis or sample testing ➔ Flexible usage
- Separate PC-software ➔ For documentation of the measured values
- Multilingual menu guide ➔ D, UK, F, I, NL, S, FIN, E, PL, RUS, JP, CN, H, TR

OPTIONS
- OBCC Software for data processing
- Separate printer for result documentation
- Connection plugs
- Different versions available:
  - continuous analysis, sample testing and P version (for pressurised sample gas)

MAPY – O₂/CO₂/CO/N₂O/He/C₂H₄

APPLICATION
Premium Multifunctional Gas Analyser for checking and/or monitoring modified atmosphere packs/packaging (MAP). For continuous analysis (in-line) and also intermittent sampling via a needle at the packaging machine, in stores or in laboratories.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS
Features see PA, plus:
- Large, clear colour touch screen ➔ Optimal information and easy to operate
- User management for up to 60 users ➔ Personalisation of measurements
- Administration of up to 1000 products ➔ Individual classification of results and limits
- Auto run of the sample hold measurement ➔ For productivity and comfort
- Data transfer via USB-stick or Ethernet connection ➔ Customer-oriented quality documentation
- Flow Control with alarm function ➔ High measuring accuracy
- Automatic checking ➔ High process safety
- Pressure compensation ➔ Reliable steady measuring results
- Electrochemical, Zirconia or Paramagnetic sensor for O₂ ➔ The best measuring principle to suit the application

OPTIONS
- GAS CONTROL CENTRE Software for data processing
- Different versions available:
  - continuous analysis, sample testing and P version (for pressurised sample gas)
- Barcode reader
- Fully automatic calibration
- Special version for higher inlet pressures
- As 19"-rack version

Product features may differ according to version
LEAK DETECTION

Modified atmospheres can show their benefits only if the protective gas remains inside the package. The package has to be fully leak tight. Give a freshness guarantee to retailers and consumers and use package leak detection to your competitive advantage. Prevent needless returns, loss of prestige, legal consequences and, in the worst case, loss of customers by checking the leak tightness of your packages. WITT offers certified quality systems for the leak testing of all kinds of food packaging – with modified atmosphere and also with vacuum. To optimize your quality assurance you can choose between solutions for sample or in-line testing – based on CO₂ or a water bubble test. Witt package leak detection systems reliably detect even the smallest and convince with easy handling. Of course, you can digitally log all tests and document proven safety to your customers.

LEAK-MASTER® EASY

APPLICATION
Bubble leak detection systems for packages. The LEAK-MASTER® EASY features the detection of the smallest of leaks without the need for trace gases.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS
- No trace gas required in package ➔ Usable without modified atmosphere (MAP)
- No electrical connections, operation using compressed air ➔ Easy installation and operation
- Visual test ➔ Localisation of leak
- Testing of vacuum packages possible ➔ One system for all kinds of packages
- Easy to use ➔ No special skills required
- Low maintenance ➔ Time and cost effective
- Perspex housing ➔ Easy to clean

OPTIONS
- Different chamber sizes
- Available for vacuum packages
- Available for altitude simulation test
- Electronic control unit PLUS for easy, standardised test processes and complete documentation

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APPLICATION
Leak detection system for packages containing CO₂. LEAK-MASTER® features non-destructive testing of the smallest of leaks without the need for costly helium.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS
- Non-destructive testing ➔ Products remain undamaged and dry for further processing
- Large and clearly arranged touch screen ➔ Optimal information and easy handling, no special skills required
- User administration ➔ Personalisation of measurements
- Data storage for over 6,000 measurements ➔ For high measurement frequencies
- Data transmission via Ethernet or WLAN ➔ Customer orientated quality documentation
- CO₂-based ➔ No costly helium required
- Stainless steel housing ➔ Robust and easy to clean
- Various chamber sizes ➔ Testing of single packages, cartons or E2 boxes possible
- Barcode reader (optional) ➔ Avoiding operator errors and enhancing productivity
- Multilingual menu control ➔ GER, UK, F, E, FIN, I
- Separate PC software ➔ For documentation of test results

OPTIONS
- Various chamber sizes
- Documentation software
  GAS CONTROL CENTRE
- Barcode reader IP 65
- W-LAN (WIFI)

APPLICATION
In-line micro-leak detection system for packages containing CO₂. MAPMAX features non-destructive detection of the smallest of leaks without the need for costly helium – directly from the packaging line.

FEATURES ➔ YOUR BENEFITS
Features see LEAK-MASTER®, plus:
- Fully automatic leak detection ➔ Avoiding operating errors
- Various chamber sizes ➔ Testing of single packages, cartons or E2 boxes possible
- High operating speed (max 15 cycles/min) ➔ High productivity of packaging line
- 100 % automatic control of all packages ➔ No leaking packages are delivered to the customer – no costly returns

OPTIONS
- Various chamber sizes
- Reject system
- Documentation software
  GAS CONTROL CENTRE
- Barcode reader IP 65
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Also available: MAPMAX compact, with significantly reduced dimensions

Product features may differ according to version
AMBIENT AIR MONITORING

With WITT gas monitoring systems for ambient air you protect your employees and make the use of for example carbon dioxide safer. This is not toxic but accumulates unnoticed in closed rooms and replaces the oxygen in the air. A concentration of 0.3 percent carbon dioxide in ambient air can be a health hazard. The allowed maximum concentration at the workplace is 0.5 percent. At five percent headache and dizziness may occur; eight percent and more lead to unconsciousness or even death. The gas warning unit permanently controls the concentration of the respective gas in ambient air, and activates an acoustic and visual alarm when individually definable limits are exceeded. Simply effective. For food and vegetables controlled atmospheres are not just used in packaging but for ripening control in special ripening chambers with the help of ethylene. By using gas analysers the ambient atmosphere can be monitored.

ISO 22000 approval for food safety

GAS MONITORING RLA

APPLICATION
Gas monitoring system for the depletion of oxygen (O₂), carbon dioxide (CO₂) and other gases

FEATURES → YOUR BENEFITS
• 3 alarm limits adjustable within the measuring range ➔ Individually adjustable alarm limits
• Triple-digit display ➔ Permanent visual control
• Connections for alarm easily accessible on front ➔ Easily accessible, for easy installation
• Continuous self monitoring ➔ High process safety
• Separate control panel and transmitter ➔ Flexible installation for highest safety
• 4 channel control panel also available ➔ Monitoring of large areas

OPTIONS
• Flow adapter for sensor check and calibration
WITT – THE NO. 1 IN MAP.

WITT-Gasetechnik is a manufacturer of gas-related equipment that meets the highest quality requirements and a specialist in Modified Atmosphere Packaging (MAP). WITT was able to place the first production gas mixers for vacuum packaging machines on the market in 1977. As a world market leader WITT today offers gas mixers, meterers and analysers for all kind of packaging machines in the food industry as well as package leak detectors and ambient air monitors. WITT products are manufactured exclusively in Germany. Through its subsidiary companies and partners, the family business now operates worldwide with approx. 200 employees. Modern production processes with a high degree of vertical integration are precondition for achieving the highest standard of products and long service life. A comprehensive quality management system guarantees the consistent achievement of the highest levels of safety and quality of everything that leaves the Witten factory. As a manufacturer, WITT is certified according to ISO 22000 for food safety.

Rely on German quality and worldwide support – rely on WITT.

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- Gas mixing systems
- Gas metering systems
- Gas analysers
- Leak detection systems
- Gas pressure vessels
- Engineering of customised systems

GAS SAFETY EQUIPMENT
- Flashback arrestors
- Non-return valves / check valves
- Quick couplers
- Safety relief valves
- Stainless steel devices
- Gas filters
- Pressure regulators
- Outlet points
- Lance holders
- Ball valves
- Automatic hose reels
- Test equipment
- Accessories
- Customised safety equipment

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