

# 410 - NH<sub>3</sub> to NO Converter module

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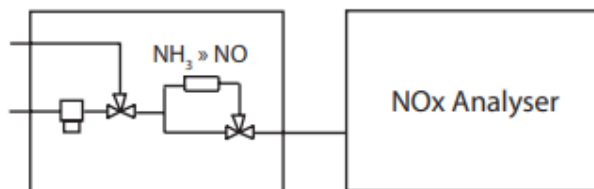
## Ammonia measurement overview

It is possible to measure ammonia, NH<sub>3</sub>, using a variety of detection techniques. As NH<sub>3</sub> is highly soluble in water, cold techniques such as infra-red measurement are generally unsuitable for hot applications. In cooling and drying a heated sample, the NH<sub>3</sub> will readily be lost during the sample conditioning process. For this reason, Signal Group would recommend the use of a high efficiency converter of NH<sub>3</sub> to NO in conjunction with a heated Chemiluminescence detector. The design in stainless steel utilised in Signal Group's ammonia converters have an efficiency of at least 80%.



## 410 Ammonia converter

The Signal Group 410 Converter uses stainless steel to convert NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> to NO. This can be used with an NO analyser to measure NH<sub>3</sub>+NO<sub>2</sub>+NO. If this converter is then bypassed the analyser can be used to measure NO, or ideally with a NO<sub>2</sub> converter to measure NO<sub>x</sub> (NO+NO<sub>2</sub>), and from this value for NH<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and NO can all be derived. In this arrangement the selection of converter and bypass is operated via a switch on the front panel and the NH<sub>3</sub> value calculated manually.



This setup is mainly used in laboratory type applications where levels of the gases being measured are fairly stable. As it can take up to several minutes to get an accurate reading for each measurement, to then derive the individual values for NH<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub> and NO, this method is not very suitable for fast changing concentrations. It does not provide true real-time measurement. However, it is the simplest and most cost-effective solution for hot measurement of NH<sub>3</sub>.

## SPECIFICATION

**RANGE:**

0-10,000ppm

**EFFICIENCY:**

80-90%

**CONVERTER MATERIAL:**

Platinum or Alumina

**CONVERTER****TEMPERATURE:**

750°C

**\*SAMPLE SYSTEM****TEMPERATURE:**

200°C

**HEATED FILTER TYPE:**

Quick release via rear panel.  
Hydrocarbon free. Fibreglass  
0.5 micron.

**CALIBRATION GAS:**

Appropriate level of NH<sub>3</sub> in  
balance of air not nitrogen.

**MAINS VOLTAGE:**

220V/240V/50Hz

110V/120V/60Hz

**POWER:**

750 watts

**DIMENSIONS:**

19" rack, 3U high, 133(h) x

190(w) x 490(d) mm

**WEIGHT:**

10kg

*\*Sample System comprises - heated  
filter and NH<sub>3</sub> calibration solenoid valve.*

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