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# **Polycold Compact Cooler (PCC) With PT Refrigerant Blends**

## **Operating Manual**

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Safety

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Overview

The Polycold Compact Cooler (PCC) System is designed to operate safely when the installation, operation, and servicing are performed in accordance with the instructions in this manual. Consult the nearest Polycold Systems Service Center with any questions you may have concerning the operation or maintenance of this equipment.

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## Danger, Warning, Caution and Notes

Four types of special notices – **DANGER**, **WARNING**, **CAUTION**, and **NOTE** are used in this manual. They are defined as follows and appear throughout the text.



**DANGER** indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



**WARNING** indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



**CAUTION** indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. Caution also is used to alert against unsafe practices and to alert personnel against equipment damage accidents.

**NOTE:** *Notes give important, additional information, explanations or recommendations related to the appropriate procedure or discussion.*

These special notices appear in the text where they are applicable.

### DANGER



**HIGH GAS PRESSURE HAZARD.** Liquid refrigerant collects in the cold end during operation. The gas lines or other components must never be disconnected until the cold end has been warmed to 10° to 30° C (50° to 86° F). Over-pressure will occur if the liquid is confined. Cold gas or liquid trapped in the cold end can reach high pressure as it warms and vent gas through the cold end's pressure relief valve.

**HIGH GAS PRESSURE HAZARD.** Do not heat pressurized gas lines or other gas charged components. Prevent gas escape when connecting and disconnecting gas lines. Work in a ventilated area.

**AVOID GAS LEAKS.** Check the condition of the gasket seal on the male half of each gas coupling. Be sure the gasket seal is in place and the sealing surfaces on both the male and female halves are clean before connecting. Call Brooks Global Customer Support if the seal is damaged. Keep the gas line couplings aligned when making or

breaking a coupling connection. Leaks can occur due to the weight of the gas line or due to a sharp bend near the connection.

**EXPLOSION HAZARD.** Customer must provide a pressure relief valve on the vacuum vessel to prevent an over-pressure condition if a leak of high-pressure refrigerant occurs within the vacuum vessel. If the cold end is allowed to warm above operating temperature, the active pumping material in the system will release gas to increase the pressure in the vacuum vessel.

## WARNING

### WARNING

**AVOID INJURY AND EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Operate this equipment as specified in the system manual.

**AVOID ELECTRIC SHOCK.** All electrical supply equipment must meet applicable codes and be installed by qualified personnel.

**AVOID INJURY.** Use two wrenches when connecting or disconnecting a gas line coupling to avoid loosening a bulkhead coupling. Gas pressure can project the coupling with enough force to cause injury.

**PREVENT INJURY.** Always wear eye protection when handling pressurized gas lines and other pressurized equipment.

**EXTREME COLD HAZARD.** Prevent frostbite. Do not touch any frosted parts.

**AVOID ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Disconnect the power to the compressor before troubleshooting the electrical components.

**AVOID INJURY FROM BURNS.** Allow the compressor to cool for 1/2 hour after shutdown before removing the cover for maintenance.

**AVOID ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Permit only qualified electrical technicians to open electrical enclosures, to perform electrical checks or to perform tests with the power supply connected and wiring exposed. Failure to observe this warning can result in injury or death.

**AVOID ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Touching a fully charged capacitor can cause severe electrical shock resulting in injury or death.

**DAMAGE TO GAS LINES** can result from crimping by repeated bending and repositioning.

## CAUTION

### CAUTION

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** De-pressurization and/or exposure to ambient conditions may cause contamination and equipment damage. Only service personnel trained by Brooks Polycold should perform this type of maintenance. This maintenance performed by unauthorized persons will void the warranty.

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT FAILURE, CONTAMINATION OR A NUISANCE SHUTDOWN.** Do not tip the compressor more than 50 degrees from horizontal to avoid flowing oil into unwanted places. If the compressor is tipped an angle between 50 to 70 degrees in any direction, wait at least four hours before beginning compressor installation. Please contact Brooks Polycold factory if the compressor is tipped more than 70 degrees.

**AVOID GAS LEAKS.** Keep the gas line couplings aligned when making or breaking a coupling connection. Leaks can occur due to the weight of the gas line or due to a sharp bend near the connection.

**MAINTAIN AMBIENT TEMPERATURE.** Operating outside the specifications can damage the equipment.

**PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Modification to equipment without the consent of the manufacturer will void the warranty.

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Use trained personnel to install and remove the cold end and other system components.

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE. PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Operating the compressor without a cold end connected will reduce the life of the compressor and will void the warranty.

**DO NOT VENT THE REFRIGERANT TO THE ATMOSPHERE.** This cooling system contains FC and HFC refrigerants. Recover the refrigerant and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

**PREVENT DAMAGE.** Install the shipping covers to the cold end's cold tip and to the warm flange before shipping. Failure to protect the cold end will void the warranty.

**PREVENT DAMAGE.** Install shipping bolts under compressor before shipping. Failure to protect the compressor will void the warranty.

**SECURE THE UNIT.** After installation and adjustment of the unit for operation, secure the unit such that it will remain stable during a seismic event (earthquake).

**FOLLOW ALL LOCKOUT/TAGOUT PROCEDURE** for your facility when servicing the equipment.

## Symbols on the Equipment

Symbols on the equipment and their descriptions:



Caution: Risk of electric shock

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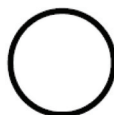
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Off

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Protective conductor (ground) terminal



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## Introduction

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### **WARNING**

**AVOID INJURY AND EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Failure to operate this equipment in the manner specified in this manual may create a hazardous condition resulting in damage to equipment and/or injury to the operators.

The PCC Cooling System provides a cost effective means of obtaining and maintaining temperatures to as low as  $-203^{\circ}\text{C}$  (70 K) without the need for replenishing or replacing any gas or liquid. It provides a temperature ranging from  $-203^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$  with heat removal capacity ranging from 0.5 Watt to 30 Watt.

The system consists of the cryocooler, an air-cooled compressor and gas lines. The equipment, when properly maintained, is designed for continuous operation. Electricity to operate the compressor is the only utility required.

Two gas lines, supply and return, are used to link the cryocooler to the compressor. Selfsealing refrigerant couplings provide easy connection and disconnection.

The air-cooled compressor is designed to circulate gas refrigerant to the system.

The PT refrigerant is flammable and Polycold proprietary.

U.S. Patent 5,337,572; 5,579,654; 5,706,663; 5,875,651; 5,687,574; 6,076,372 and other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications cover this equipment. Unauthorized manufacture, sale or use of the apparatus or the refrigerant is strictly prohibited worldwide.

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## **3 Principles of Operation**

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### **Overview**

This chapter details the theory behind the operation of the product.

The PCC Cooling System consists of basic modules: compressor, cryocooler and gas lines. See [Figure 3-1 on page 3-3](#) and [Figure 3-2 on page 3-4](#).

The compressor continuously receives low-pressure refrigerant from the cryocooler through the system return gas line. It compresses, cools and cleans the gas, then delivers it through the system supply gas line to the cryocooler. See [Figure 3-3 on page 3-5](#).

When refrigerant gas leaves the compressor motor, it contains heat and compressor lubricant. Both must be reduced to acceptable levels before the refrigerant enters the cryocooler. From the compression space, the hot refrigerant with its entrained oil flows over the motor windings where the refrigerant loses some of its suspended oil. The refrigerant then flows through an air-cooled heat exchanger (after-cooler), where the refrigerant is cooled to ambient temperature. Next, the refrigerant passes through the oil separator and the filter-dryer for oil and moisture removal. From the filter-dryer, the high-pressure refrigerant is piped to the cryocooler. Supply and return refrigerant lines with self-sealing couplings allow for easy connection to the cryocooler and the compressor.

Oil is separated from the refrigerant in two stages. The first stage is by precipitation when the refrigerant passes over the motor windings. The second stage is the oil separator whose element collects oil mist from the refrigerant, agglomerates it, and returns the oil to the compressor.

Oil collected in the separator flows back to the compressor through a capillary tube. The differential refrigerant pressure across the system is the moving force, and the capillary size significantly limits the amount of refrigerant bypassed.

During compression of the refrigerant, the compressor motor housing and the oil absorb the heat produced. To remove this heat, cooling fins are attached to the compressor motor housing. Exhaust air from the after-cooler passes around the housing and fins, removing some of this heat. The after-cooler removes the remaining heat from the refrigerant.

The cryocooler receives high-pressure, room-temperature refrigerant from the compressor via the supply gas line. As the gas flows through the heat exchanger, the supply refrigerant is cooled by the refrigerant returning from the cold tip of the cryocooler, thus beginning the refrigerant condensation process. Before the refrigerant reaches the throttle device, it is mostly liquid and very close to the final refrigeration temperature. The throttle device allows the liquid to expand to a low pressure and enter the cold tip. The cold tip is the interface where the customer's heat load is absorbed by the refrigerant. The removal of heat causes some of the refrigerant to evaporate and raises the fluid temperature slightly. If an excessive heat load is applied to the cold tip, all of the refrigerant will evaporate and the temperature will

very quickly reach room temperature or even elevate to levels where permanent damage to equipment will result.

Through the system gas return line, low-pressure refrigerant from the cryocooler flows into the compressor.

Gas lines with self-sealing couplings allow for easy connection to and disconnection from the compressor and the cryocooler.

The pressure gauge on the rear panel of the compressor indicates return refrigerant pressure when the system is operating. The gauge indicates equalization (charge) pressure when the system is not running.

Pressure-relief valves inside the compressor housing and on the cryocooler prevent operation at an unsafe pressure.

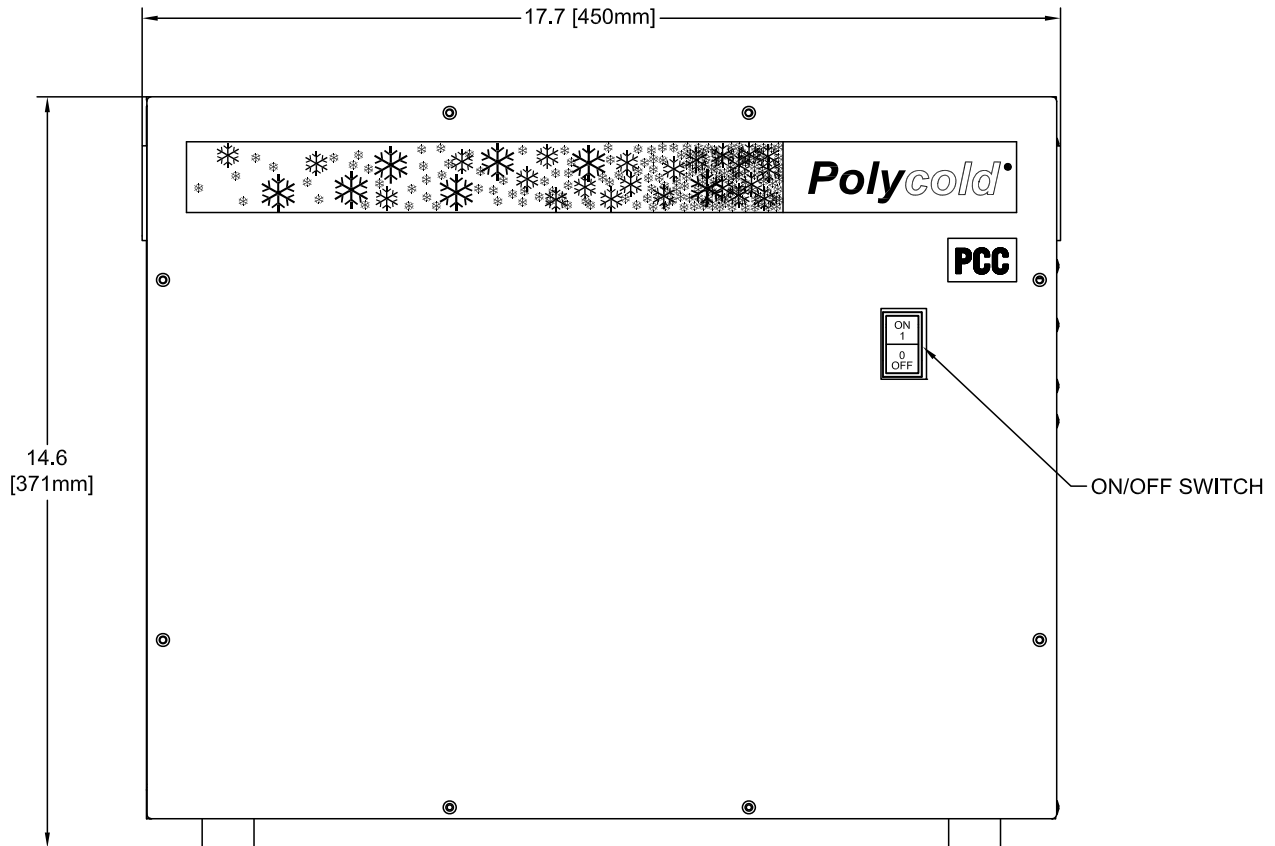


Figure 3-1: Typical PCC Compressor Front View

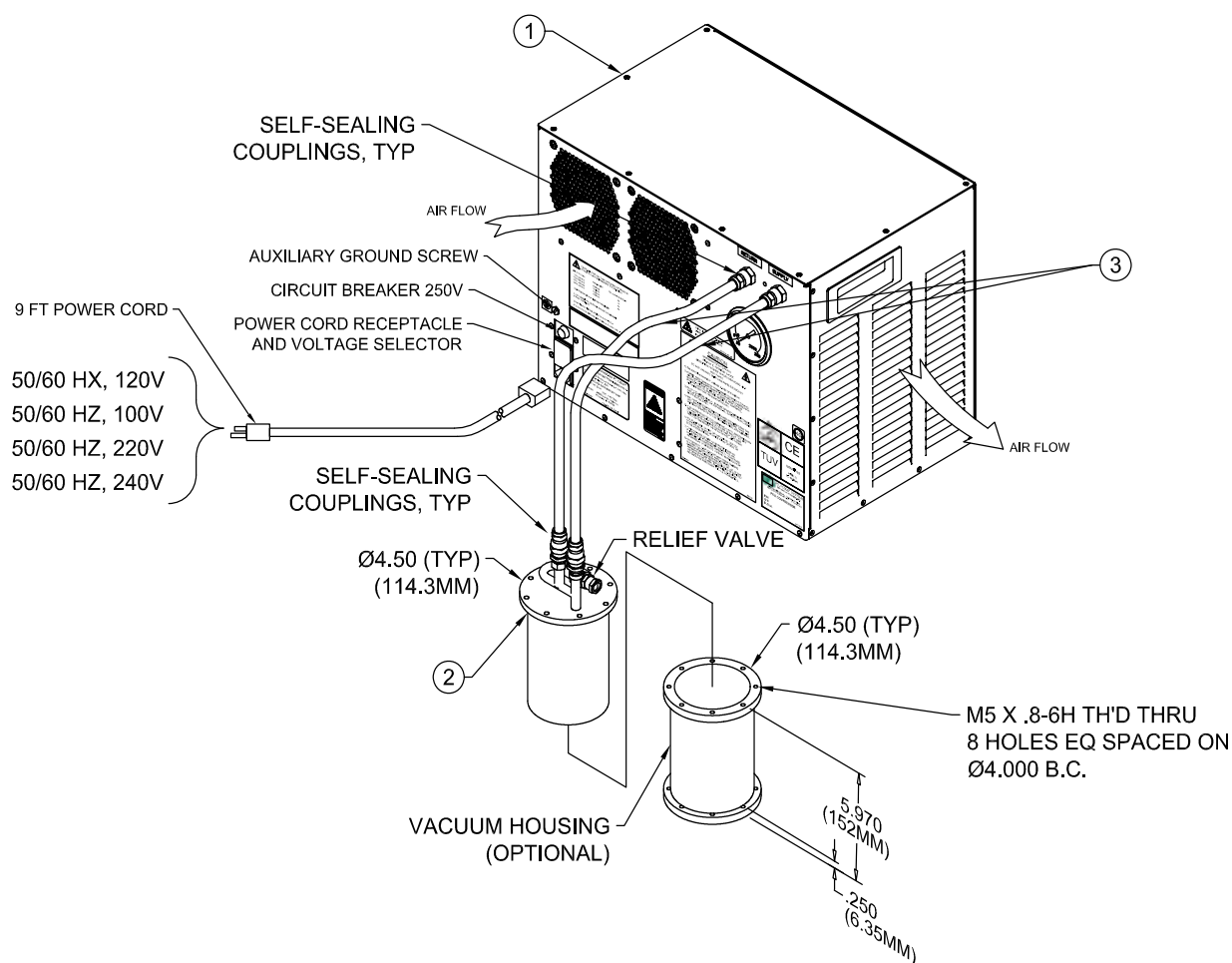


Figure 3-2: Typical PCC Cooling System

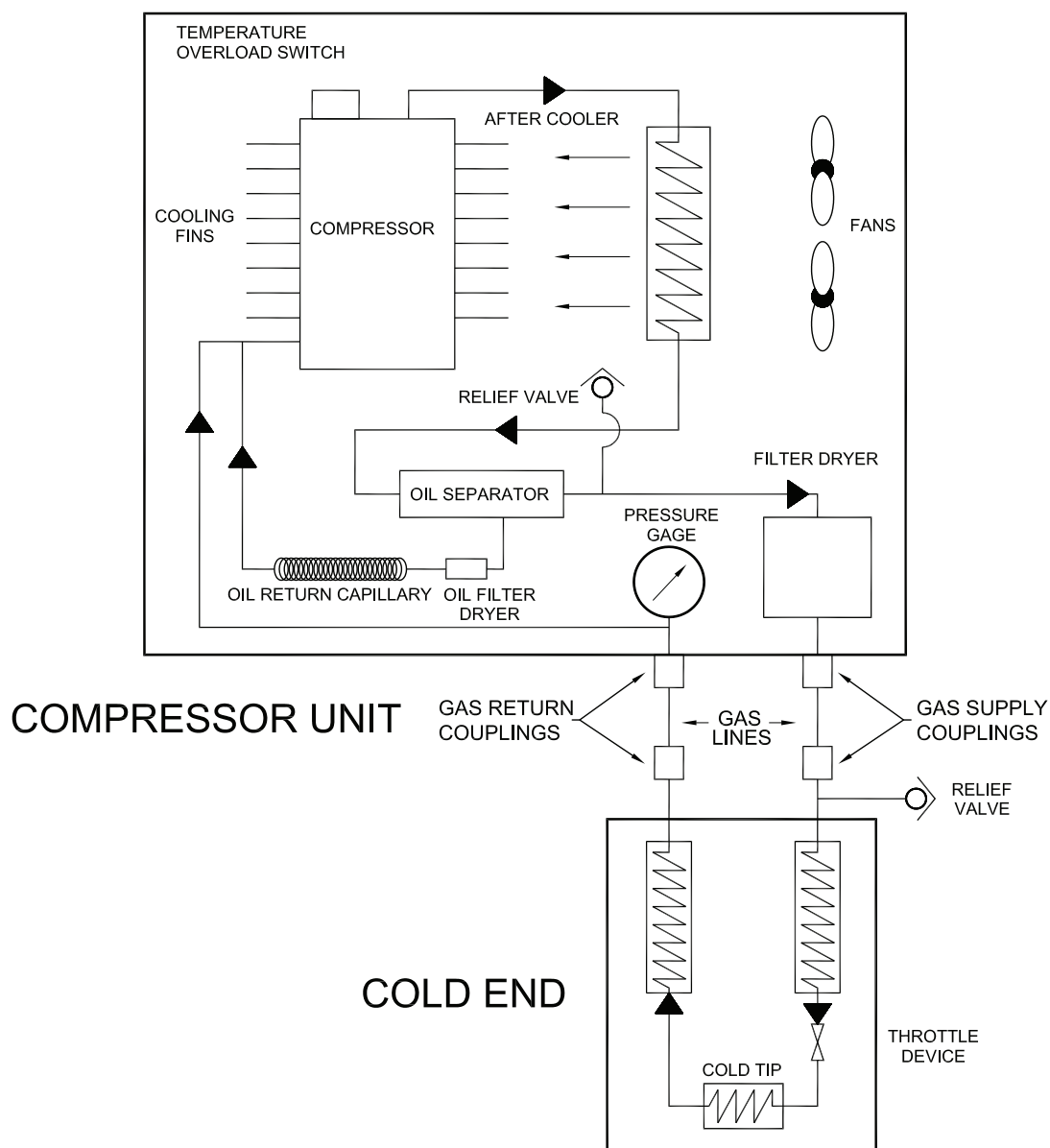


Figure 3-3: PCC System Flow Diagram

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Specifications

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Overview

This chapter provides the specifications for this product.

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## System Components

Figure 3-2 on page 3-4 shows the major components of the system connected. A complete PCC Cooling System, using standard components, consists of the following items. See Parts on page 9-2 for optional parts and accessories.

Table 4-1: PCC Parts

Item	Quantity	Description	Part Number
1	1	Compressor	T1104
2	1	Standard Cryocooler	T2114
3	2	Superflex Gas Line	T3102
<b>Optional Parts</b>			
4	1	High Performance Cryocooler	T2111
5	2	Copper Gas Line	T3103

## Compressor

### Weights

31.1 kg (68.5 pounds)

### Dimensions

450 mm (17.7") wide

371 mm (14.6") high

282 mm (11.1") deep

### Color Codes

Gas couplings on the rear of the compressor and on the cryocooler are labeled SUPPLY (red) and RETURN (green). SUPPLY and RETURN labels are furnished for attaching to the gas lines by the customer.

### Orientation

Compressor must be mounted base down and level within 10 degrees of horizontal.

**NOTE:** *No temperature or vacuum sensing instrumentation is furnished by Brooks Polycold Systems Inc.*

### Configuration

The air-cooled compressor is shown in [Figure 4-1](#). Air enters the rear of the compressor enclosure and exits the left side. Gas lines and power cord connect to the rear of the enclosure.

### Refrigerant

The compressor is charged with a FLAMMABLE, proprietary refrigerant.

### Refrigerant Charge

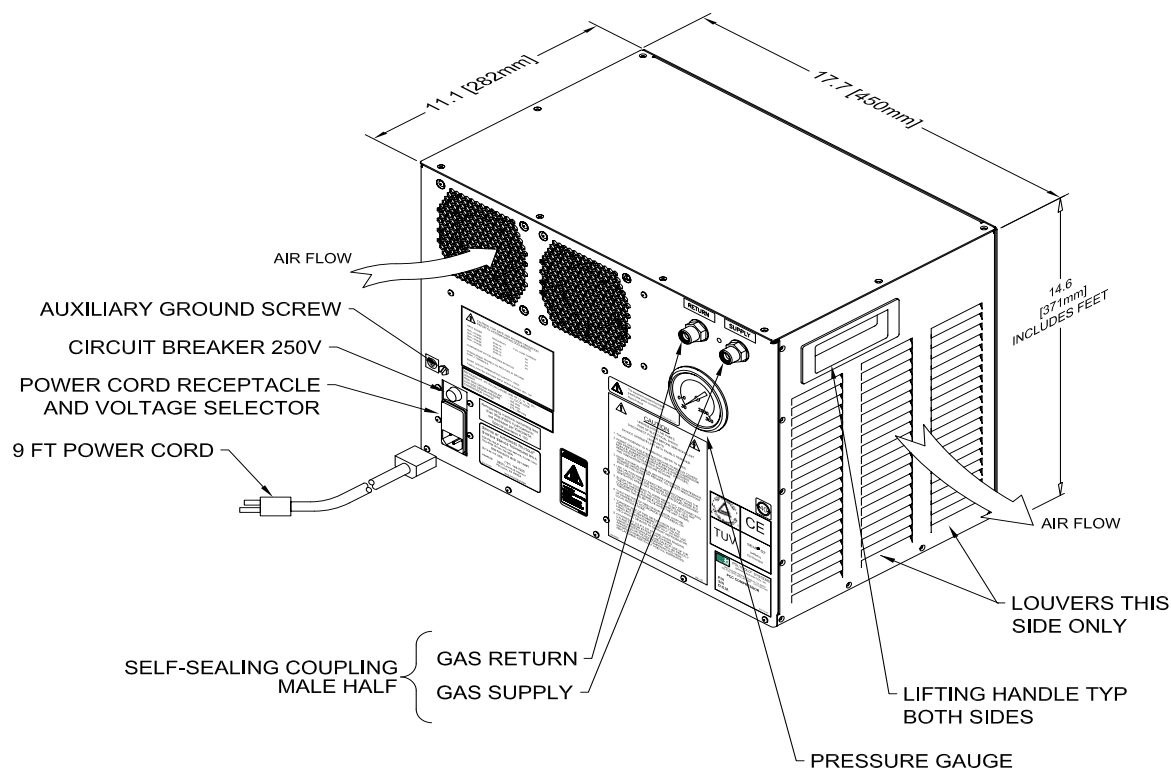
43.5 to 54.8 grams (depends on gas type and charge pressure).

## Ground Loops

A ground screw is located on the rear panel of the compressor. By design, this allows the entire system to share a common ground to prevent ground-loop interference.

## Compressor Materials of Construction

Compressor Housing	Aluminum, Steel and ABS Plastic
Cooling Fins	Aluminum
Refrigerant Tubing	Copper and Stainless Steel
After-Cooler	Copper Tubes with Aluminum Fins
Oil Separator	Steel
Filter-Dryer	Copper



*Figure 4-1: Compressor Outline*

## Heat Rejection

600 Watts nominal for cool down

500 Watts nominal steady state

800 Watts maximum

## Electrical Characteristics

**NOTE:** *Before operating the compressor, be sure the voltage selector is correctly set for the customer's electrical service voltage. Connect unit to a branch circuit with a certified 10,000 AIC rated circuit breaker. See [Unpacking, Inspection and Pressure Check on page 5-2](#).*

The compressor is considered "Ordinary" equipment, IP00 according to IEC 60529. The compressor is intended for installation in a Category II electrical environment.

*Table 4-2: For power supply of 60 Hz single-phase*

Input Voltage	Voltage Selector	Full Load Current
90 - 110 V	100 V	8 Amperes
108 - 132 V	120 V	7 Amperes
198 - 230 V	220 V	4 Amperes
225 - 264 V	240 V	4 Amperes

*Table 4-3: For power supply of 50 Hz single-phase*

Input Voltage	Voltage Selector	Full Load Current
90 - 105 V	100 V	8 Amperes
100 - 120 V	120 V	7 Amperes
190 - 220 V	220 V	4 Amperes
210 - 240 V	240 V	4 Amperes

Steady-state input power: 500 Watts

Compressor motor ampere rating: 6 Amperes

Over current protection provided at machine supply terminals

Short-circuit interrupting capacity: 1500 Amperes

Fuse Rating:

External fuses (located in power input module): 250 V, 1 A

Reset-type Circuit Breaker Rating (on electrical chassis): 250 V, 12 A.

Power Cord Connector: NEMA L5-15P (2 pole, 3 wire, 10 A) male plug to connect to customer's receptacle for 120 VAC service.

The switch breaker, rated at 10.0 amperes (12.5 trip amperes), on the front of the compressor is used to start and stop the compressor.

The compressor will restart automatically following a power interruption after power has been restored. If the circuit breaker trips due to an over current condition, reset the breaker to restart the compressor. A thermal overload (Klixon) switch provides additional protection.

### **System Gas Pressures**

Equalization (charge) pressure: See [Figure 5-1 on page 5-3](#).

Typical steady state operating pressures (kPa is in gauge):

Supply 1700 - 2100 kPa (250 - 300 psig)

Return 0 - 210 kPa (0 - 30 psig)

### **Room Ambient Temperature**

The air-cooled compressor can be operated under room temperature of 10° to 35° C (50° to 95°F). Maximum relative humidity is 80%.

### **Noise Level**

60 dBA, measured at a distance of 1 meter away from source.

## **Cleaning Instructions**

There are no special cleaning requirements for the PCC compressor. Clean only with water and mild detergents. Periodic cleaning of the interior for dust built-up may be performed by service personnel.

## Cryocooler

Figure 4-2 on page 4-9 shows the outline of the standard cryocooler.

**NOTE:** *If this system uses a cryocooler different from the standard listed in these Specifications, see [Appendix C: Specifications for High Performance Cryocooler on page 10-5](#) for Specifications.*

### Cryocooler Materials of Construction

Cryocooler Housing	Stainless Steel
Self-Sealing Couplings	Zinc-Plated Steel
Heat Exchanger	Copper and Stainless Steel
Cold Tip	Copper
Support Tube	Stainless Steel
Insulation	Aluminized Mylar
O-ring, Cryocooler Flange	Viton
Relief Valve	Brass Body and Poppet, Steel Spring

### Weight

1.5 kg (3.2 pounds)

### Dimension

114.3 mm (4.50") diameter of mounting flange

228.6 mm (9.0") long

33.3 mm (1.312") diameter of cold tip

### Refrigerant Charge

3.3 - 4.1 grams (depends on gas type and charge pressure)



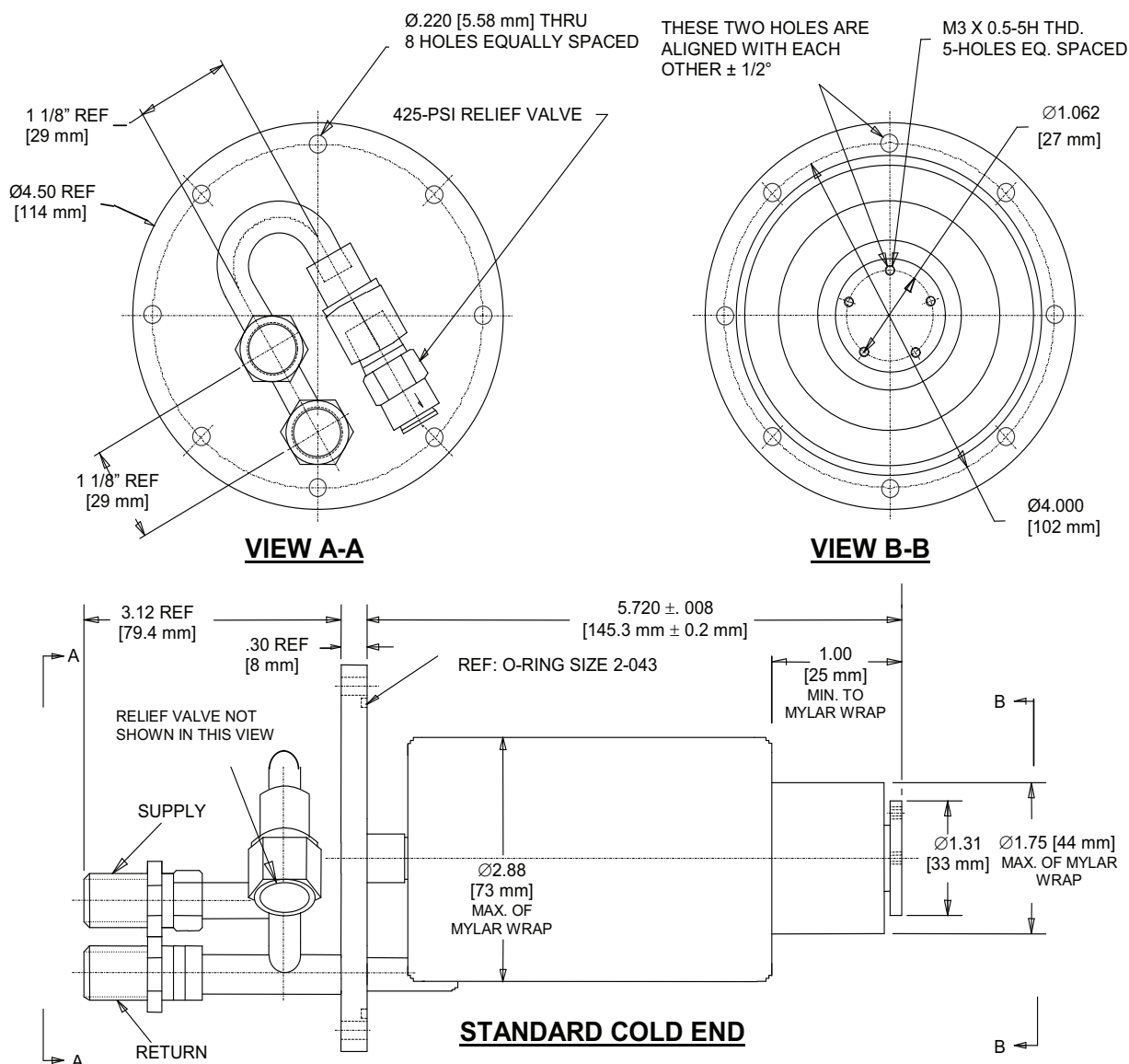


Figure 4-2: Standard Cryocooler Outline

NOTES:

- Maximum static loading of the cold tip at the interface is the summation limited by the following two conditions:  
Maximum force = 3.0 lbs. [1.36 kg].  
Maximum moment = 6 in. lbs [6.9 kg-cm].
- Maximum static loading of the gas manifold at the interface is the summation of the following (both gas connections):  
Maximum force = 2 lbs. [0.91 kg].  
Maximum moment = 66 in. lbs. [76.16 kg-cm].  
This corresponds to a maximum unsupported length of 5 ft. of braided hose.

3. Materials of construction are stainless steel, copper, and brass. The gas couplings and relief valve contain elastomer seal material.
4. Recommended minimum inner diameter of customer supplied vacuum housing is 3.38 inches [85.85 mm].

### **Refrigeration Capacity**

The cryocooler provides a temperature ranging from 70 K (-203°C) to 293 K (20°C) with heat removal capacity ranging from 0.5 W to 30 W. [Figure 6-1 on page 6-3](#) shows the typical refrigeration capacity at 20°C (68°F). Available refrigeration capacity varies with gas type, system configuration, parasitic heat load, vacuum level and ambient temperature.

### **Temperature Stability**

At 20°C (68°F) ambient:  $\pm 1.0$  K at steady load.

### **Interface of the Cryocooler**

114.3 mm (4.50") diameter stainless-steel flange with a groove for customer's elastomeric O-ring seal. Seal compression of the O-ring is achieved by attaching customer's device to the cryocooler's flange with eight (8) #10 cap screws, on a 101.6 mm (4") bolt circle.

### **Power**

None required for cryocooler.

### **Orientation**

Cryocooler may be mounted in any position.

## Gas Lines

Gas lines are constructed from Stainless Steel with Stainless Steel Braid or Copper. One each supply and return gas line connect the cryocooler to the remote compressor. Each gas line is terminated with size 4, female (4F), self-sealing couplings.

The following chart shows the weights of stainless steel gas line and refrigerant charge:

*Table 4-4: Gas Line and Refrigerant Charge Weights*

	Weight		Refrigerant Charge <sup>(1)</sup>
	kg	pounds	grams
Gas Line, 1.5 m (5 feet)	0.7*	1.5*	2 - 2.5*
Gas Line, 3.1 m (10 feet)	0.9*	2*	4 - 5*
Gas Line, 7.6 m (25 feet)	1.6*	3.5*	10 - 12.5*
Gas Line, 15.2 m (50 feet)	2.7*	6*	20 - 25*

<sup>(1)</sup> Refrigerant charge depends on gas type and charge pressure.

\* One gas line.

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Installation

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Overview



**THE REFRIGERANT IS FLAMMABLE.** Refer to MSDS product name Flammable HC POLYCOLD refrigerant.



**THE REFRIGERANT IS FLAMMABLE.** Refer to [Appendix A: Minimum Room Size Requirement \(in m3\)](#) on page 10-2 for minimum room size requirement.

Install the Compressor, Cryocooler, and Gas Lines according to the following procedures. It is important to follow the procedures in this manual step-by-step.

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## Unpacking, Inspection and Pressure Check

System components are shipped in two containers:

- Compressor and power cord.
- Cryocooler and gas lines (unless gas lines are ordered separately).

### WARNING

**PREVENT INJURY.** Always wear eye protection when handling pressurized gas lines and other pressurized equipment.

### CAUTION

**AVOID EQUIPMENT FAILURE, CONTAMINATION OR A NUISANCE SHUTDOWN.** Do not tip the compressor more than 50 degrees from horizontal to avoid oil flowing into unwanted places. If the compressor is tipped more than 50 degrees, see [Step 2 on page 5-2](#).

### CAUTION

**PREVENT DAMAGE.** Install the plastic shipping cover on the cold tip and the warm flange before shipping. Also, install the compressor motor's shipping bolts before shipping. Failure to protect the cryocooler and the compressor will void the warranty.

1. Remove all components from their shipping containers and inspect them for damage. If there is physical damage to the compressor, contact the nearest Brooks Global Customer Support.
2. If the indicator on the Tiltwatch<sup>®</sup> Plus shows a tilt angle between 50 to 70 degrees in ANY direction, wait AT LEAST 4 HOURS before beginning compressor installation. If the angle shown is less than 50 degrees, installation can proceed immediately. Please contact the Brooks Polycold Factory if this indicator is 80 to 180 degrees activated. Additional testing may be needed to ensure that the compressor will operate as specified.
3. Check the pressure gauge mounted on the back of the compressor. The pressure should be within the ranges shown on [Figure 5-1 on page 5-3](#), [Table 5-1 on page 5-4](#), and [Table 5-2 on page 5-4](#). If the equipment has recently been moved from an area where the temperature differs greatly from the present area, allow the components to equalize to the new room temperature before verifying correct charge pressure. If the pressure is not within the ranges, contact the nearest Brooks Global Customer Support.

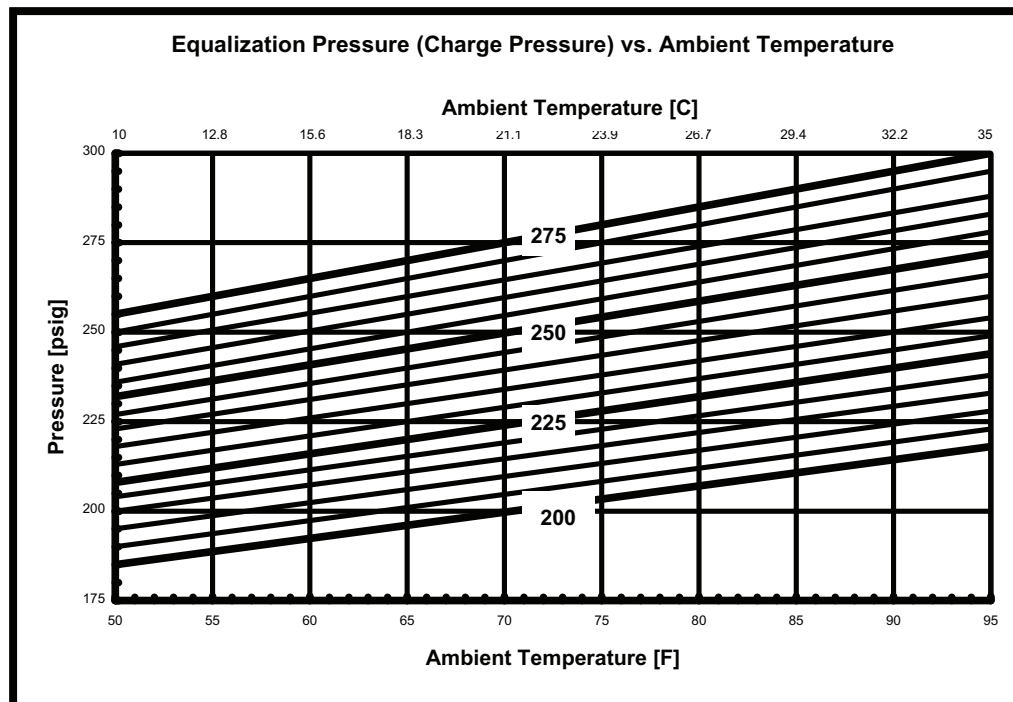


Figure 5-1: Equalization (Charge) Pressure vs. Ambient Temperature

**NOTE:** Refrigerant saturation temperature at system charge pressure is just below the freezing point of water. If the system is exposed to extreme cold during shipping, some of the refrigerant may condense. Depending upon the quantity of condensed refrigerant, it may take up to 48 hours at room temperature to recover the full system charge.

4. Tilt the compressor not more than 50 degrees. Using a 10 mm wrench, remove the three (3) hex head bolts (M6 x 22 mm long) from underneath the bottom panel of the compressor housing. Retain the bolts for re-use if the compressor will be shipped. Return the compressor to its operating position, within 10 degrees of level.

**NOTE:** Shipping bolts must be removed before operating the compressor. Retain the bolts and the shipping containers in reusable condition for returning the equipment to the factory.

*Table 5-1: Systems with Flexible Gas Lines*

Gas Line Length (Feet)	Gas Line Charge Pressure (psig)	Compressor Charge Pressure (psig)*	System Charge Pressure (psig)*
0 to 10	275	275	275
11 to 15	235	275	265
16 to 25	215	275	255
26 to 50	200	275	240

**NOTE:** \*Tolerance is +5 psig/-25 psig.

*Table 5-2: Systems with Copper Gas Lines*

Gas Line Length (Feet)	Gas Line Charge Pressure (psig)	Compressor Charge Pressure (psig)*	System Charge Pressure (psig)*
0 to 25	275	275	275
26 to 40	250	275	270
41 to 60	225	275	260
61 to 85	210	275	250
86 to 120	200	275	240
121 to 150	190	275	235

**NOTE:** \*Tolerance is +5 psig/-25 psig.



## Position the Compressor

### **CAUTION**

**AVOID EQUIPMENT FAILURE, CONTAMINATION OR NUISANCE SHUTDOWN.** Do not tip the compressor more than 50 degrees from horizontal to avoid oil flowing into unwanted places. If the compressor is tipped more than 50 degrees, see [Step 2 on page 5-2](#).

### **CAUTION**

**MAINTAIN AMBIENT TEMPERATURE.** Operating outside the specifications can damage the equipment.

Place the compressor in a location that is protected from the elements and where the ambient temperature will always be within the range of 10° to 35°C (50° to 95°F). It must be installed base down, within 10 degrees of horizontal, and preferably at a height convenient for making connections and reading the gauge.

Allow at least 160 mm (6") clearance from the rear and left side of the compressor for unrestricted flow of cooling air.

## Install the Gas Lines

### CAUTION

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Support the weight of the gas lines while making the gas coupling connections at the compressor and at the cryocooler.

Tools required: one 16 mm (5/8") and two 19 mm (3/4") open-end wrenches.

Gas lines are shipped with protective dust plugs. Do not remove the plugs until the gas lines are ready to be attached. All bending and routing of gas lines should take place with plugs in place.

### DANGER

**FLAMMABLE GAS. AVOID IGNITION SOURCES.** Do not heat gas lines or other components. Prevent gas escape when connecting and disconnecting the gas lines. Work in a well-ventilated area.

### CAUTION

**PREVENT INJURY.** Always wear eye protection when handling pressurized gas lines and other pressurized equipment.

### WARNING

**DAMAGE TO GAS LINES** can result from crimping by repeated bending and repositioning.

### CAUTION

**RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION DUE TO PUNCTURE OF REFRIGERANT TUBING.** Follow handling instructions carefully.

1. SUPPLY (red) and RETURN (green) labels are furnished with the gas lines. Apply both RETURN labels to the same gas line by placing one at each end of the gas line in the location shown in [Figure 5-2](#). Apply both SUPPLY labels to the other gas line using the same method. **DO NOT** apply different labels to the same gas line.

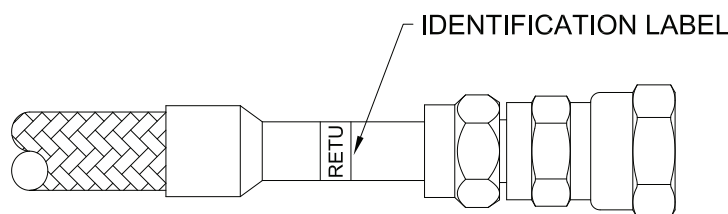


Figure 5-2: Attach Identification Label

**NOTE:** The cryocooler's gas manifold is designed to support a maximum unsupported length of 1.5 m (5 feet) of gas lines. Provide gas line supports so that the allowable unsupported length is not exceeded.

2. Arrange the system components so that the gas lines will be protected from stress and traffic. Observe the minimum bend radius of 102 mm (4") for flexible gas lines. Copper tubing can be bent to a 305 mm (12") radius without a tube bender and to a 15 mm (9/16") radius with a tube bender. Routing of gas lines must consider the need for gas line supports. See previous NOTE.
3. Remove the dust plug from the compressor supply and return gas lines.
4. Remove the dust plug from the coupling on one end of each of the supply and return gas lines.

**NOTE:** Retain the dust caps and plugs to re-cover the couplings when they are not in use. They protect the couplings from damage and prevent entry of contaminants. Store the caps and plugs in a clean container.

**NOTE:** Verify that **ALL** couplings are free from dirt and debris. If any debris is found, wipe until clean, or use a solvent on a clean, lint-free cloth to remove the debris. Use only methanol, ethyl alcohol or denatured alcohol. Allow the solvent to fully evaporate before connecting the gas lines to the equipment. Verify that the male coupling has the gasket seal (Figure 7-6 on page 7-10) installed in the body and the gasket seal is not damaged. Verify that the female coupling has no foreign matter from a male coupling.



**FLAMMABLE GAS. AVOID IGNITION SOURCES.** Do not heat gas lines or other components. Prevent gas escape when connecting and disconnecting the gas lines. Work in a well-ventilated area.



**AVOID INJURY.** Use two wrenches when connecting and disconnecting gas lines to avoid loosening a bulkhead coupling. Gas pressure can project the coupling with enough force to cause injuries.



**AVOID GAS LEAKS.** Check the condition of the gasket seal on the male half of each gas coupling; Be sure the gasket seal is not damaged and the sealing surfaces on both the male and the female halves are clean before connecting. Call Brooks Global Customer Support if the seal is damaged. Keep the gas line couplings aligned when making or breaking a coupling connection. Leaks can occur due to the weight of the gas line or due to a sharp bend near the connection.

5. Connect the SUPPLY gas line to the compressor's SUPPLY coupling. When tightening the connection, place a 19 mm (3/4") wrench on the freely-rotating part of the female coupling half (position "1" in [Figure 5-3](#)) on the gas line and a 16 mm (5/8") wrench on the base of the female coupling half (position "2") on the gas line. Hold the 16 mm (5/8") wrench steady, turn the first wrench clockwise to tighten the connection. **Torque all couplings to 8 to 10 N•m (6 to 8 lb•ft). (Use 14 to 16 N•m or 10 to 12 lb•ft if both the male half and female half are Aeroquip/Parker 5400 series couplings).** Fully tighten each coupling before proceeding to the next one.

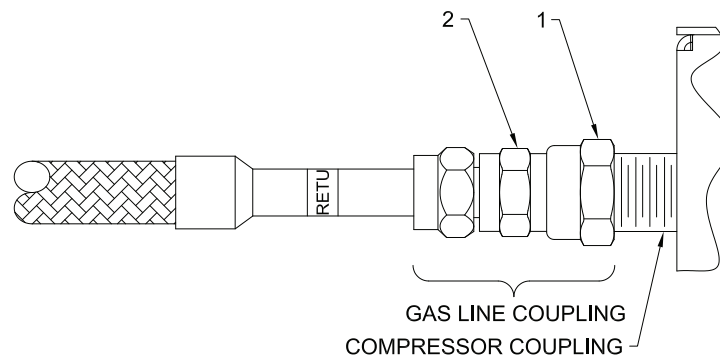


Figure 5-3: Connect Gas Line to Compressor

## WARNING

**DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.** Overtightening the couplings can damage the seal materials and result in gas leakage.

**NOTE:** Disconnecting the gas couplings requires to place the wrenches in a different location. See [Figure 7-2 on page 7-8](#) about disconnecting the gas couplings.

6. Connect the RETURN gas line to the compressor's RETURN coupling.

Installation of the gas lines will be completed after the cryocooler is installed.

## Install the Cryocooler

Tools and Equipment required:

- one 16 mm (5/8") and two 19 mm (3/4") open-end wrenches
- one medium Phillips screwdriver
- one medium-tip flat screwdriver
- one vacuum pump

### **DANGER**

**EXPLOSION HAZARD.** Customer must provide a pressure relief valve on the vacuum vessel to prevent over-pressure if a leak of high-pressure refrigerant occurs within the vacuum vessel. If the cryocooler is allowed to warm above the operating temperature, any active pumping material being cooled by the cryocooler will release gas and increase the pressure within the vacuum vessel.

### **CAUTION**

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Use trained personnel to install and remove the cryocooler and other system components.

### **CAUTION**

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Install shipping covers to the cold tip and to the warm flange before shipping. Failure to protect the cryocooler will void the warranty.

1. Remove the shipping cover from the flange of the cryocooler by removing the #10 capscrews and washers.
2. Mount the device requiring cooling to the cold tip using five M3 x 0.5 x 8 mm capscrews. Use either a gold or indium gasket to reduce thermal contact resistance. The standard cryocooler cold tip can support a maximum force of 3.0 lbs. with a maximum moment of 6 in. lbs.
3. Insert the cryocooler into the vacuum housing or similar vessel. Customer must maintain a minimum of 3.18 mm (0.125") clearance from the cryocooler's Mylar insulation. Customer must provide a pressure relief valve on the vacuum housing to prevent an overpressure condition if a leak of the high-pressure refrigerant occurs within the vacuum housing. If active pumping material is attached to the cold tip and the cooler is allowed to warm above operating

temperature, the material will desorb gas, causing an over-pressure condition in the vacuum housing.

4. Remove the gas coupling dust caps and verify that the couplings are free from dirt and debris. If any debris is found, wipe until clean, or use a solvent on a clean, lint-free cloth to remove the debris. (Use only methanol, ethyl alcohol or de-natured alcohol.) Allow the solvent to fully evaporate before connecting the gas lines to the equipment. Verify that the male coupling has the gasket seal (Figure 7-6 on page 7-10) installed in the body and the gasket seal is not damaged.
5. Connect the SUPPLY and RETURN gas lines to the corresponding couplings. When tightening the connection, first place a 19 mm (3/4") wrench on the freely-rotating part of the female coupling half (position "1" in Figure 5-4) on the gas line and a 16 mm (5/8") wrench on the base of the female coupling half (position "2") on the gas line. Hold the 16 mm (5/8") wrench and turn the 19 mm (3/4") wrench clockwise. At the very end, remove the 16 mm (5/8") wrench and place another 19 mm (3/4") wrench on the base of the male coupling half (position "3") and tighten the connection between the male half and female half until the torque specification is met. **Torque all couplings to 8 to 10 N•m (6 to 8 lb•ft). (Use 14 to 16 N•m or 10 to 12 lb•ft if both the male half and female half are Aeroquip/Parker 5400 series couplings).** Fully tighten each coupling before proceeding to the next one.

## WARNING

**DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.** Overtightening the couplings can damage the seal materials and result in gas leakage.

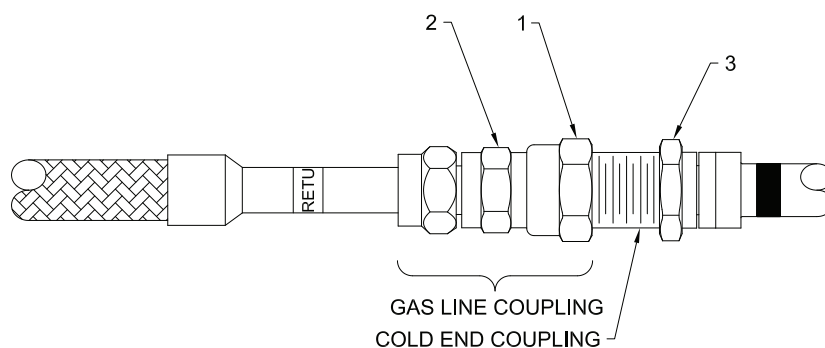


Figure 5-4: Connect Gas Line to Cryocooler

6. After all the components are connected, verify that the charge pressure is correct by checking the pressure gauge mounted on the back of the compressor. Account for ambient temperature by referring to [Figure 5-1 on page 5-3](#).

**NOTE:** *The compressor's gauge is for reference only.*

This completes the installation of the cryocooler.



## **Evacuation and Leak Check**

Customer must furnish and install a vacuum pump-out port. Using a vacuum pump, evacuate the enclosure and verify that the leak rate is at an acceptable level.

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Operation

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Overview

This chapter provides complete operation directions for the Brooks Automation Product.

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## Starting the PCC System

### WARNING

**AVOID ELECTRIC SHOCK.** All electrical supply equipment must meet applicable codes and be installed by qualified personnel.

### CAUTION

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE. PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Operating the compressor without a cryocooler connected will reduce the life of the compressor and will void the warranty.

1. Before starting the compressor, **pump the vacuum enclosure to  $10^{-4}$  torr (0.1 micrometer of mercury) or less** to establish an insulating vacuum.
2. Read the pressure gauge. If the equalization pressure is within specifications (see [Figure 5-1 on page 5-3](#), [Table 5-1 on page 5-4](#), and [Table 5-2 on page 5-4](#)), continue to either [Step a](#) or [Step b](#) for the installation procedure.

**NOTE:** *Please read the Specifications section for voltage selection*

- a. **For 120 VAC electrical service only:** the voltage selector was set for 120 volts at the factory. Verify this by looking for “120” on the voltage selector adjacent to the power cord receptacle on the rear panel of the compressor. If not at “120” follow procedure in [Step b](#).
  - b. **To change the voltage selector for 100, 220 or 240 VAC electrical service:** remove the power cord from the receptacle on the rear panel of the compressor. Using a 1/8”, flat-blade screwdriver, insert it in the narrow slot adjacent to the power cord receptacle to release the cover containing the fuse holder. Pull out the gray terminal block. Re-insert the block so that the correct voltage is visible. Snap the cover-fuse holder back in place. Verify that the correct line voltage is showing through the small window. Verify that the power cord is correctly rated for the selected voltage.
3. Connect the compressor’s power cord to the receptacle on the rear of the compressor. Connect the other end of the cord to customer’s power receptacle. Some installations may require equipment to be protected by emergency off (EMO) circuitry. If this is required, connect the power cord to the end user’s system emergency off circuit.

4. Turn the compressor's switch breaker to the start position to turn the compressor on. Listen for any abnormal noise coming from within the compressor housing. This noise may be due to mishandling. Stop the compressor and notify the nearest Brooks Global Customer Support if any problems are encountered.
5. Do not exceed the heat capacity of the cryocooler. Application of heat, which exceeds the stated capacity, will cause the liquid refrigerant at the cold tip to evaporate, resulting in overheating and possible damage to the equipment. See [Figure 6-1](#), Typical Cooling Capacity Map.

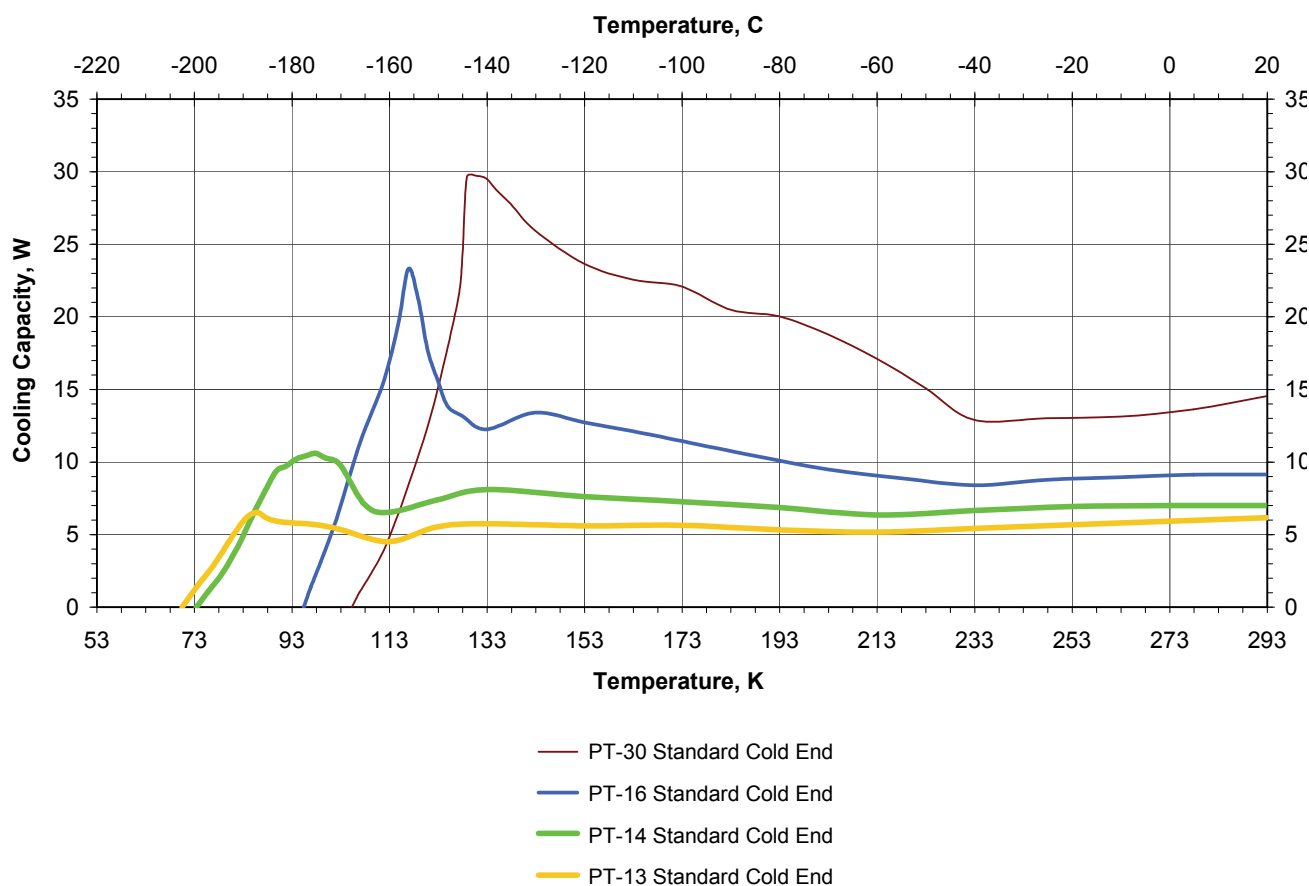


Figure 6-1: Typical Cooling Capacity Map

Map represents typical results and is for reference only. Individual results may vary.

## Stopping the PCC System



**EXTREME COLD HAZARD. PREVENT FROSTBITE.** Do not touch any frosted parts.

### **WARNING**

**FLAMMABLE GAS. AVOID IGNITION SOURCES.** Liquid, flammable refrigerant collects in the cryocooler during operation. The gas lines or other components must never be disconnected until the complete cryocooler has been warmed to 10° to 30°C (50° to 86°F). Over-pressure will occur if the liquid is confined. Cold gas or liquid trapped in the cryocooler can reach high pressures as it warms and vent flammable gas through the cryocooler's pressure relief valve.

Turn the switch breaker to the stop position to turn off the compressor.

## Restarting the PCC System after a Shutdown

If the compressor stops due to a power interruption, it is designed to restart after power has been restored. The compressor will stay off until the pressure has equalized on both the high and low pressure sides and until the compressor cools and the temperature switch closes, if opened. If the compressor stops for other reasons, refer to the Troubleshooting section.

A temperature switch on top of the compressor will open and stop the compressor or prevent it from starting if any of the following conditions exist:

- restricted air flow
- compressor over current
- compressor over temperature

Be sure both fans are running and there are no cooling air restrictions.

If the compressor will not start after clearing the air vents and the heat exchanger, and the fans are running, see the Troubleshooting section. Allow time for the compressor to cool.

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# 7    Periodic Inspection and Maintenance

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## Overview

This chapter provides inspection and maintenance procedures for the Brooks Automation Product.

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## Safety

### **DANGER**

**THE REFRIGERANT IS FLAMMABLE.** Refer to MSDS product name Flammable HC POLYCOLD refrigerant.

### **DANGER**

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### **WARNING**

**AVOID INJURY FROM BURNS.** Allow the compressor to cool for a half hour after shutdown before removing the cover for maintenance.

### **CAUTION**

**PREVENT EQUIPMENT DAMAGE.** Depressurization and/or exposure to ambient conditions may cause contamination and equipment damage. Only service personnel trained by Brooks Polycold Systems Inc. should perform this type of maintenance. This maintenance performed by unauthorized persons will void the warranty.

### **CAUTION**

**PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Modification to equipment or accessories will void the warranty.

### **CAUTION**

**RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION.** Properly dispose of components in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.



**RISK OF FIRE OR EXPLOSION.** Only trained service personnel must repair components.  
Do not puncture refrigerant tubing.

## **Inspection**

### **Monthly Inspection**

Locate the compressor pressure gauge on the back panel. Record pressure. If the recorded values show a trend of decreasing, the PCC system may have a leak.

Record process temperature if applicable. If the recorded temperatures show a trend of warming up, it may indicate there is a leak in the PCC system.

### **Inspection at Service Interval**

Turn off the PCC system and wait 48 hours. Locate the compressor pressure gauge on the back panel. Record pressure. If the pressure (equalization pressure) has dropped more than 15 psig from last time, the PCC system may have a leak.

## Maintenance

### Clean the Compressor Air Passages

Periodically, as required by the ambient conditions, clean the inlet and outlet vents, heat exchanger fins and compressor fins.

This procedure will be necessary only if the compressor has accumulated significant dust on the inlet air grills, which is now causing reduced airflow to the motor. A significant reduction in airflow, depending on the ambient air temperature, will cause the thermal motor protector to shut down the compressor.

**NOTE:** *When removing the panels from the compressor, retain the lockwashers. These lockwashers must be used when reinstalling the panels to maintain the electrical grounding path.*

### Replace the Internal Adsorber

To assure the cooling system delivering the needed performance, it is recommended to replace the internal adsorber once per year.

Read safety information ([Safety on page 1-1](#)) and the MSDS.

Personnel should be experience in the following:

1. Working with refrigerant systems.
2. Handling high-pressure gas systems and related equipment.
3. Making and breaking gas connections with couplings without releasing gas.

If you are not familiar with these systems contact Brooks Automation, Inc. for assistance.

## WARNING

**PREVENT INJURY.** always wear eye protection when handling pressurized gas lines and other pressurized equipment.

Follow these procedures in order.

### STEP 1 Prepare the Area

1. Eliminate all sources of ignition
  - Turn off heaters, electric motors, electric tools, and other sources of ignition during this procedure except PCC compressor as directed in the procedures.
  - Extinguish all open and concealed flames, pilot lights, and other sources of heat or sparks.
  - Do not use in area where static electric sparks may be generated.
2. Remove all flammable liquids stored in area.

### STEP 2 System Setup and Check

1. Ensure that the compressor is turned off.
2. Ensure that cold end is warmed up to ambient temperature. ( $\geq 285\text{K}$ )

### STEP 3 Remove the Existing Adsorber Assembly

1. Disconnect the gas lines at the compressor. Verify that all coupling seals are clean and in good condition.
2. Remove the top panel and left panel (panel with louvers). The internal adsorber is now displayed. Please see [Figure 7-1 on page 7-7](#).
3. Disconnect the self-sealing coupling using two wrenches as shown in [Figure 7-2 on page 7-8](#).
4. Remove the jam nut and the gasket at the male coupling as shown in [Figure 7-3](#).
5. Loosen the #10-32 nut as shown in [Figure 7-4 on page 7-9](#).
6. Remove the internal adsorber. Now the compressor is shown in [Figure 7-5 on page 7-9](#). Dispose off the used internal adsorber according to local regulations.

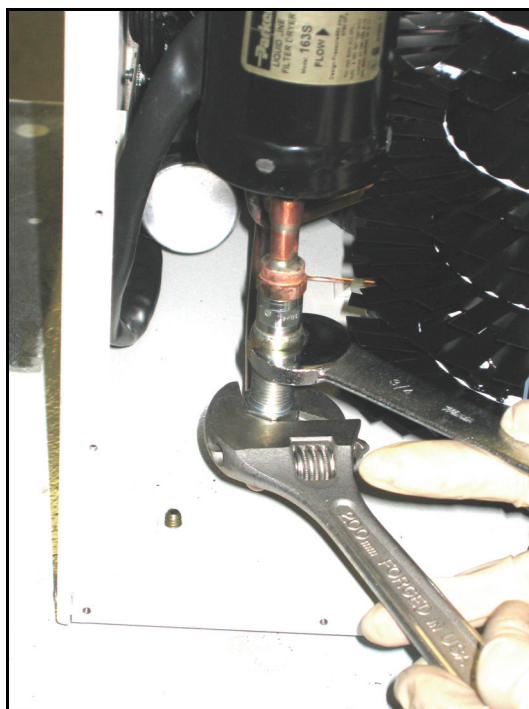
### STEP 4 Install the New Adsorber Assembly

1. Remove the dust cap and dust plug from the new internal adsorber.
2. Put the male coupling side of the new adsorber in place and tighten the #10-32 nut (refer to [Figure 7-4 on page 7-9](#)).

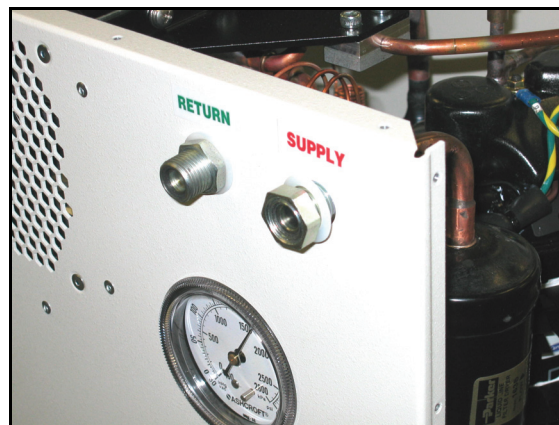
3. Make the coupling connection at the female coupling side of the adsorber (refer to [Figure 7-2 on page 7-8](#)).
4. Put the plastic gasket in place and tighten the jam nut on the male coupling (refer to [Figure 7-3 on page 7-8](#)).
5. Now the internal adsorber is in place (see [Figure 7-1 on page 7-7](#)).
6. Install the left panel and top panel.
7. Reconnect the gas lines and verify that the system static pressure is within the recommended range.
8. The internal adsorber has been installed and the system is ready for operation.



*Figure 7-1: Internal Adsorber Location*

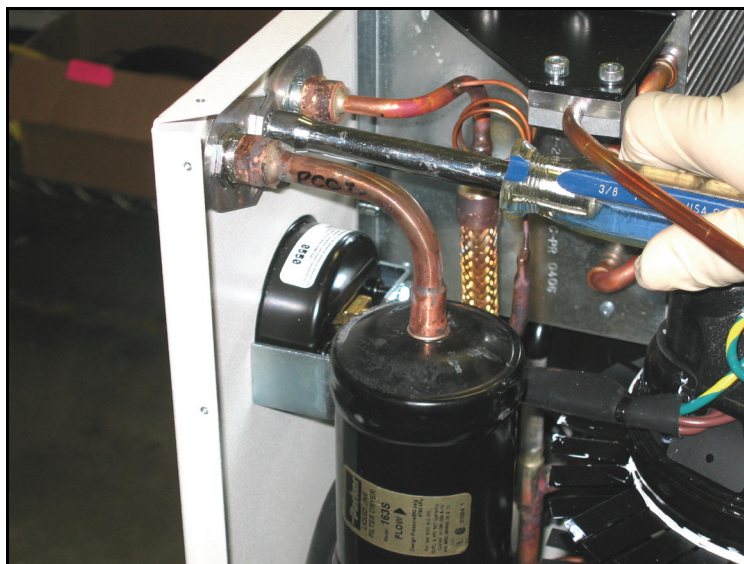


*Figure 7-2: Disconnect/connect the Coupling Using Two Wrenches*

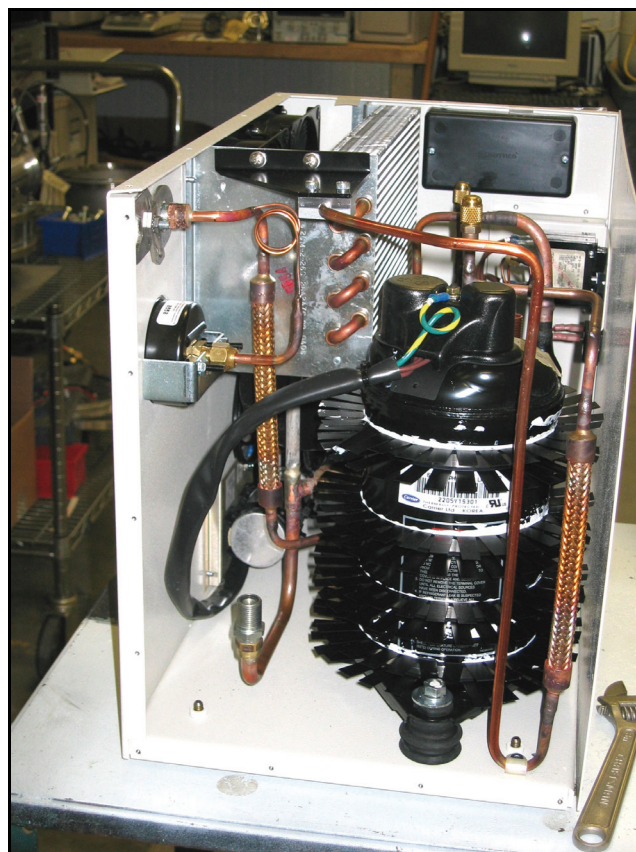


*Figure 7-3: Remove/install the Jam Nut and the Plastic Gasket from the Male Coupling*





*Figure 7-4: Loosen/tighten the #10-32 Nut*



*Figure 7-5: Internal Adsorber is Removed*

## Clean the Coupling Surfaces

Figure 7-6 shows the self-sealing coupling.

Research has shown that most refrigerant leaks occur at the self-sealing couplings and can be avoided if precautions are followed.

Coupling leaks may be caused by:

- dirt that accumulates on the coupling surfaces when connecting and disconnecting the gas lines.
- couplings that are not properly tightened according to the recommended torque specification.
- damaged metal parts or elastomer seals on either coupling which prevent proper mating or sealing.
- improper handling.

If the couplings are frequently disconnected, it may be necessary to inspect and clean both couplings.

Solvent required: denatured alcohol, methanol, or ethanol.

Clean any debris from the threads and the interface between the male half and female half with solvent on a lint-free cloth. Allow the solvent to fully evaporate before connecting the couplings.



Figure 7-6: Male and Female Self-Sealing Couplings

## Waste Disposal

Discard any product, residue, disposable container or liner in an environmentally acceptable manner, in full compliance with federal, state and local regulations.

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Troubleshooting

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Overview

Only trained, qualified persons should attempt to troubleshoot the product. Brooks Automation provides training in the troubleshooting and repair of the product.

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## Safety

### **WARNING**

**ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Permit only qualified electrical technicians to open electrical enclosures, to perform electrical checks, or to perform tests with the power supply connected and wiring exposed. Failure to observe this warning can result in injury or death.

### **WARNING**

**FLAMMABLE GAS. COMBUSTION HAZARD. AVOID IGNITION SOURCES.** Charge and purge the compressor with nitrogen to remove any residual, flammable refrigerant prior to unbrazing. Oil that is flammable may also be present in the gas lines. Use caution while unbrazing tubes.

### **WARNING**

**ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Disconnect the power to the compressor before troubleshooting the electrical components.

### **WARNING**

**ELECTRIC SHOCK.** Touching a fully charged capacitor can cause severe electrical shock resulting in injury or death.

### **CAUTION**

**PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Modification to equipment without the consent of the manufacturer will void the warranty.

## Troubleshooting Guide

The Troubleshooting Guide that follows lists problems which can occur with the system components and suggests causes and corrective actions.

*Table 8-1: Troubleshooting Problems, Causes, and Actions*

Problem	Possible Cause	Corrective Action
Compressor does not start when the circuit breaker on the compressor is closed.	No electrical power, defective wiring, motor fault.	Check that the power source is on and the power cord is connected. Consult Brooks Global Customer Support.
	12 A circuit breaker is tripped.	Push circuit breaker button to reset.
	Thermal overload switch is tripped.	Allow time for the compressor to cool and the switch to close.
Compressor does not start; no hum.	Wrong or defective wiring; open overload protector.	Check the wiring and fuses. Allow the compressor to cool, then restart.

*Table 8-1: Troubleshooting Problems, Causes, and Actions*

<b>Problem</b>	<b>Possible Cause</b>	<b>Corrective Action</b>
Compressor starts but shuts down some time later.	Compressor is overheated; temperature switch opened. Incorrect wiring; motor fault; high equalization pressure; blown fuse.	Restricted airflow. Clean the after-cooler fins and air vents. Allow time for the compressor to cool and the switch to close. Verify that the compressor inlet and outlet air vents are spaced at least 160 mm (6") from another object. Check the wiring. Check the pressure. Consult Brooks Global Customer Support. Fan (s) are not running. Check the fan circuit fuses located in the fuse holder part of the voltage selector. Replace the fuse if it is blown.
	Wrong voltage.	Recheck the voltage source. Recheck the voltage selector setting.
	Compressor component is blocked.	Consult Brooks Global Customer Support.
Moisture on the cryocooler inlet and outlet manifold or on the upper vacuum enclosure. Otherwise, the cooler performance is normal.	High humidity in the room.	Lower the dew-point temperature or insulate the gas lines.
Moisture on the cryocooler upper vacuum enclosure. Degraded cooler performance.	Heat exchanger thermal short.	Return the cryocooler to Brooks Global Customer Support for repairs.
Moisture on the lower vacuum enclosure.	Loss of vacuum.	Pump the vacuum enclosure to $< 10^{-4}$ torr.

Table 8-1: Troubleshooting Problems, Causes, and Actions

Problem	Possible Cause	Corrective Action
Increased cool down time; cannot attain desired temperature; lack of capacity.	Low equalization gas pressure.	Consult Brooks Global Customer Support.
	Loss of vacuum.	Check for vacuum leaks and repair. Pump to $< 10^{-4}$ torr.
Temperature cycles in the 250 to 275 K range.	Contamination is freezing in the system.	Consult Brooks Global Customer Support.
Temperature is less than 200 K but higher than the normal operating range.	Vacuum leak.	Check the vacuum integrity. Pump the vacuum enclosure to $< 10^{-4}$ torr.
	Thermal short.	Verify that any attachment to the cold tip does not touch a warm surface.

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Parts and Service

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Overview

This chapter provides the details of the applicable parts and service procedures for the Brooks Automation Product.

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## Parts

### Ordering

The nameplate fastened to the rear panel of the compressor identifies the compressor as follows:

Part number

Serial number

Order parts by part name and part number.

### Parts Identification and Numbers

*Table 9-1: Parts Identification and Numbers*

Item	Part Name	Part Number
1.	Gasket seal for male coupling	44636
2.	Fuse, 5 x 20 mm, 1 A, 250 V, fan circuit (2)	34683
3.	O-ring, Viton, cryocooler flange	77248
4.	Capscrew, Phillips head, SS, M3 x 0.5 x 8 mm, or cryo-cooler cold tip	70779
5.	Power cord, detachable	33641
<b>Optional Parts</b>		
6.	O-ring, metal, cryocooler flange	77247
7.	Adapter, 90 degree	262753A
8.	Vacuum housing, 152 mm (5.970") long	262583B1
9.	Weld flange, cryocooler	262624B
10.	Superflex Gas Line Contact Brooks Polycold for detail gas line configuration	T3102-xxx-x-xxx-xx
11.	Copper Gas Line Contact Brooks Polycold for detail gas line configuration	T3103-xxx-x-xxx-xx
12.	Service Kit for 110/115 VAC electrical service	264118A1
13.	Service Kit for 220/240 VAC electrical service	264118A2
14.	Filter/dryer assembly (External Adsorber)	T4102-xx
15.	Internal Filter/dryer assembly (Internal Adsorber)	T4104-xx

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Supplier will make available on request circuit diagrams, component parts lists, description, calibration instructions or other information that will assist the user's appropriately qualified technical personnel to repair those parts of the equipment which are designated by the manufacturer as being repairable.

## Service

For information on Incremental Gas Charge Procedure, please refer to Brooks Polycold's procedure 270671A. For information on field service procedures, please refer to the Field Service Manual, 264059A.

If it is determined that the whole system or some components need to be shipped back to the factory, please follow the procedures below to disconnect the systems and pack for shipping.

### **DANGER**

**FLAMMABLE GAS. AVOID IGNITION SOURCES.** Do not heat gas lines or other components. Prevent gas escape when connecting and disconnecting the gas lines. Work in a well-ventilated area.

### **WARNING**

**AVOID INJURY.** Failure to follow the procedure in the manner specified below may create a hazardous condition resulting in injury to the operators.

### **CAUTION**

**PRESERVE YOUR WARRANTY.** Failure to follow the procedure in the manner specified below may damage the equipment and void the warranty.

1. System temperature check. The coldest temperature of the system must be 10°C (50°F) or warmer before proceeding to next step.
2. Disconnect gas lines from the cold end (and external filter-dryer). Place a 19 mm (3/4") wrench on the base of the male coupling half (position "3" in [Figure 5-3 on page 5-9](#)) and another 19 mm (3/4") wrench on the freely-rotating part of the female coupling half (position "1" in [Figure 5-4 on page 5-11](#)) and unscrew just enough to loosen the threaded connection between the male and female coupling halves. Then remove the wrench from the base of the male coupling half and place a 16 mm (5/8") wrench to the base of the female coupling half (position "2" in [Figure 5-4 on page 5-11](#)) and continue unscrewing the connection so that excessive twisting of the hose does not occur.

3. Disconnect gas lines from compressor. Use the same procedure described above.
4. Install shipping bolts to the compressor. Shipping bolts must be installed prior shipping to protect the compressor from damage due to excessive vibration during transportation.

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Appendices

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Overview

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## Appendix A: Minimum Room Size Requirement (in m<sup>3</sup>)

Calculated According to ANSI/ASHRAE 15

Table 10-1: System With Flexible Gas Lines

Blend	Without External Adsorber				With External Adsorber			
	5'	10'	25'	50'	5'	10'	25'	50'
PT13	4.1	4.4	5.0	6.0	7.1	7.4	8.0	9.0
PT14	4.3	4.6	5.2	6.3	7.4	7.8	8.3	9.4
PT16	5.1	5.5	6.2	7.4	8.8	9.2	9.9	11.2
PT30	9.3	10.0	10.8	12.6	16.1	16.9	17.6	19.5

Table 10-2: System With Copper Gas Lines

Blend	Without External Adsorber				With External Adsorber			
	10'	25'	50'	100'	10'	25'	50'	100'
PT13	4.0	4.2	4.5	5.0	7.0	7.2	7.5	8.0
PT14	4.1	4.4	4.7	5.2	7.3	7.6	7.8	8.4
PT16	4.9	5.2	5.6	6.2	8.6	9.0	9.3	10.0
PT30	9.0	9.6	9.9	10.8	15.8	16.4	16.7	17.7

Calculated According to EN 378

Table 10-3: System With Flexible Gas Lines

Blend	Without External Adsorber				With External Adsorber			
	5'	10'	25'	50'	5'	10'	25'	50'
PT13	6.4	6.9	7.8	9.4	11.1	11.6	12.5	14.2
PT14	6.8	7.4	8.3	10.0	11.8	12.4	13.3	15.0
PT16	7.6	8.2	9.2	11.1	13.1	13.7	14.7	16.6
PT30	11.6	12.5	13.5	15.8	20.2	21.1	22.0	24.3



Table 10-4: System With Copper Gas Lines

Blend	Without External Adsorber				With External Adsorber			
	10'	25'	50'	100'	10'	25'	50'	100'
PT13	6.2	6.6	7.0	7.9	10.9	11.3	11.7	12.6
PT14	6.6	7.0	7.5	8.4	11.6	12.0	12.5	13.4
PT16	7.3	7.8	8.3	9.3	12.9	13.4	13.8	17.8
PT30	11.2	12.0	12.3	13.5	19.8	20.5	20.9	22.1

## Appendix B: Compressor Electrical Schematic

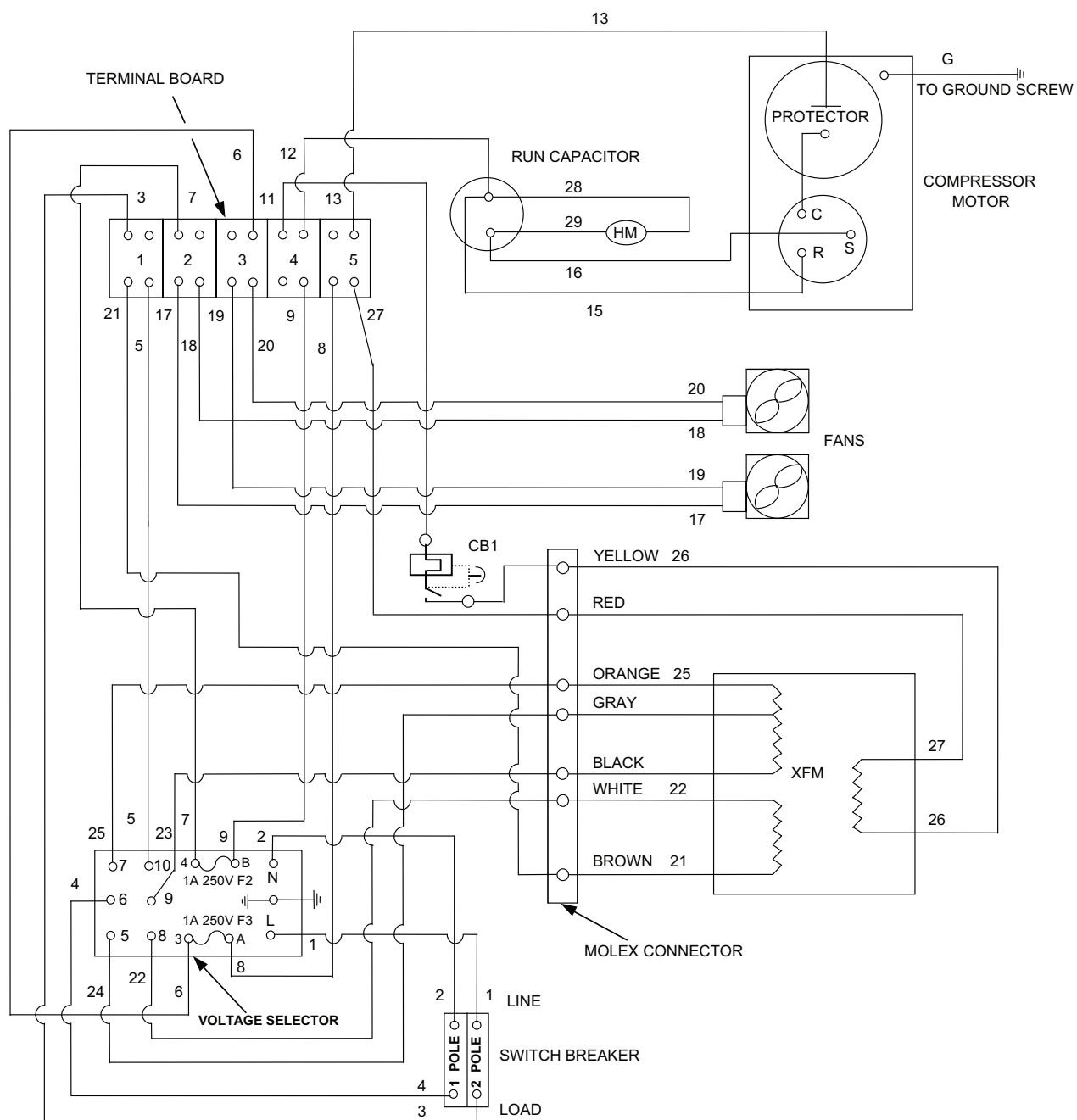


Figure 10-1: Compressor Electrical Schematic

## Appendix C: Specifications for High Performance Cryocooler

Figure 10-2 on page 10-6 shows the dimensions of the high performance cryocooler.

### Cryocooler Materials of Construction

Cryocooler Housing	Stainless Steel
Self-Sealing Couplings	Zinc-Plated Steel
Heat Exchanger	Copper and Stainless Steel
Cold Tip	Copper
Support Tube	Stainless Steel
Insulation	Aluminized Mylar
O-ring, Cryocooler Flange	Viton
Relief Valve	Brass Body and Poppet, Steel Spring

### Weight

1.8 kg (4.0 pounds)

### Dimensions

114.3 mm (4.50") diameter of mounting flange

266.7 mm (10.5") long

33.3 mm (1.312") diameter of cold tip

### Refrigerant Charge

3.0 - 4.1 grams (depends on gas type and charge pressure.)

### Refrigeration Capacity

At 20 °C (68 °F) ambient, see Figure 10-3 on page 10-7, High Performance Cryocooler Heat Capacity Load Map with Different Refrigerants.

Available refrigeration capacity varies with gas type, system configuration, parasitic heat load, vacuum level and ambient temperature.

## Temperature Stability

At 20 °C (68 °F) ambient:  $\pm 1.0$  K at steady load.

## Interface of the Cryocooler

A 114.3 mm (4.50") diameter stainless-steel flange with a groove for customer's elastomeric O-ring seal. Seal compression of the O-ring is achieved by attaching customer's device to the cryocooler's flange with eight (8) #10 cap screws, on a 101.6 mm (4") bolt circle.

## Power

None required for cryocooler.

## Orientation

Cryocooler may be mounted in any position.

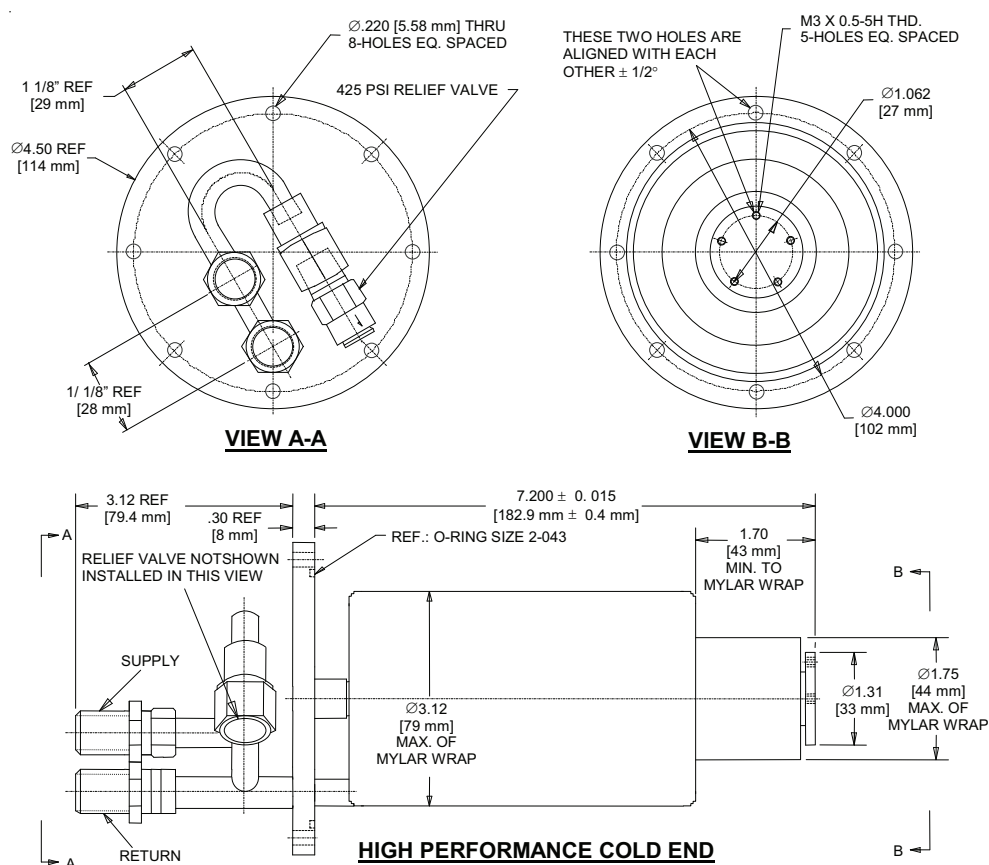


Figure 10-2: High Performance Cryocooler Outline Dimensions

NOTES:

1. Maximum static loading of the cold tip at the interface is the summation limited by the following two conditions:  
Maximum force = 3.0 lbs. [1.36 kg].  
Maximum moment = 6 in. lbs [6.9 kg-cm].
2. Maximum static loading of the gas manifold at the interface is the summation of the following (both gas connections):  
Maximum force = 2 lbs. [0.91 kg].  
Maximum moment = 66 in. lbs. [76.16 kg-cm].  
This corresponds to a maximum unsupported length of 5 ft. of braided hose.
3. Materials of construction are stainless steel, copper, and brass. The gas couplings and relief valve contain elastomer seal material.
4. Recommended minimum inner diameter of customer supplied vacuum housing is 3.38 inches [85.85 mm].

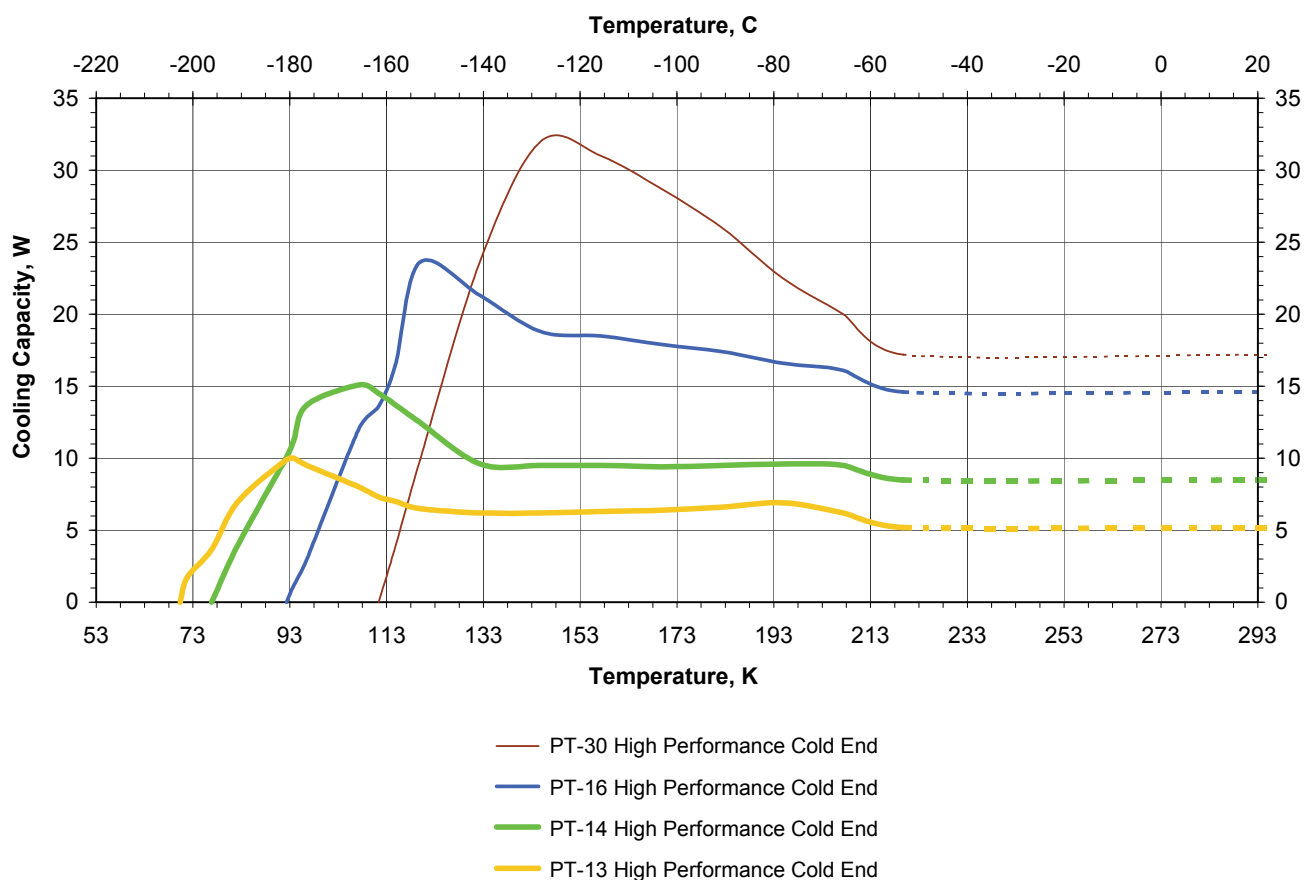


Figure 10-3: High Performance Cryocooler Cooling Capacity Map

Map represents typical results and is for reference only. Individual results may vary.

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## Glossary

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This Glossary provides a list of common terms and acronyms used in this document and their definitions.

<b>After Cooler:</b>	component in the refrigeration unit that removes heat from the refrigerant vapor after it exits the compressor
<b>ASHRAE:</b>	American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers
<b>AWG:</b>	American wire gauge
<b>CE:</b>	European conformity
<b>Cold End:</b>	the portion of refrigeration unit that is installed on a vacuum enclosure
<b>Cold Tip:</b>	the portion of cold end that connect and cool the customers' object
<b>Compressor:</b>	component in the refrigeration unit that raises the refrigerant pressure and causes the refrigerant to move through the circuit
<b>Compressor Unit:</b>	the portion of the refrigeration unit that contains the compressor, after cooler, fans, oil separator and filter dryer
<b>Copper Gas Line:</b>	refrigerant line that is made from copper
<b>Cryo Cooler:</b>	the portion of refrigeration unit that is installed on a vacuum enclosure
<b>EC:</b>	European conformity
<b>EEC:</b>	European Economic Community
<b>EMC:</b>	electromagnetic compatibility
<b>EN:</b>	European norm (or standard)
<b>Gas Lines:</b>	refrigerant lines between the compressor unit and cryo cooler

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<b>IEC:</b>	International Electrotechnical Commission
<b>MSDS:</b>	Material Safety Data Sheet
<b>Manifold:</b>	service manifold gauge set
<b>NEC:</b>	national electrical code
<b>NF-48:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>NF-55:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>NPT:</b>	national pipe thread
<b>PT-13:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>PT-14:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>PT-16:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>PT-30:</b>	a proprietary mixture of refrigerants made by Brooks Automation Polycold Systems Inc.
<b>Recharge:</b>	procedure for replacing the refrigerant in a refrigeration unit
<b>Refrigerant Line:</b>	supply and return lines that carry refrigerant to and from the cryocooler
<b>Return Line:</b>	the refrigerant line that carries refrigerant from the cryocooler to the compressor unit
<b>Superflex Gas Line:</b>	flexible stainless steel refrigerant line
<b>TÜV:</b>	Technical Supervision Society-verifies compliance with EN and IEC standards
<b>Voltage Selector:</b>	a device on compressor unit that allow user to select proper voltage according to available power supply