

# ASM-993

## Advanced Survey Meter

### Technical Data



The ASM-993 Advanced Survey Meter can detect alpha, beta, gamma, or x-ray radiation within an operating range of 1  $\mu$ R/hr to 1 R/hr (1 to 5,000,000 CPM). The 993 features a fully calibrated internal pancake detector, as well as an internal energy-compensated 1 R/hr GM detector. This meter can be used as a general survey meter, an area monitor, and a contamination monitor.

Designed to meet the high-technology requirements of health physics, medical physics, and nondestructive testing applications, the ASM-993 Series is well-suited for a wide range of end users, including: radiation safety officers, nuclear medicine laboratories, diagnostic x-ray and hospital emergency-room technicians, environmental-health physicists, and emergency responders. The unit is shipped calibrated and ready-to-use.

### Key features

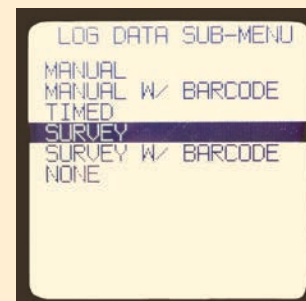
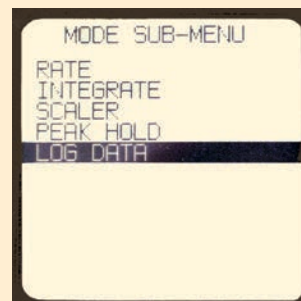
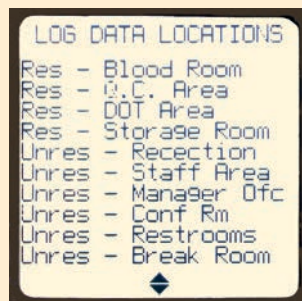
- One hand operation
- Simultaneous auto-scaling measurement of rate and dose, with the capability to record peak rate
- Two on-board detectors
- Data-logging survey mode feature allows user to store up to five separate survey sequences
- Saved data can be uploaded to a PC via included Infrared Data (IrDA) transmitter
- Easy-to-use multifunction keypad for intuitive menu navigation
- Backlit analog/digital LCD display with full-range audio output capability
- Barcode scanner (optional)
- Auto power-down feature extends battery life

## Data logging modes

The ASM-993's Log Data feature can easily be accessed via the setup sub-menu. The unit can log/save a maximum of 500 data points in any of three separate modes (manual and survey modes can utilize the optional barcode scanner).

**Manual:** Individual rate data points can be saved by pressing the Start/Stop/Rst/Save button.

**Timed:** A data point will automatically be saved at user-selectable time intervals in the range of 1 second to 255 seconds.



**Survey:** Programmed sequences can be accessed via the menu system. Pressing the Start/Stop/Rst/Save button saves the current reading and displays the next survey location.

Programming of survey sequences, as well as retrieval of logged data, is accomplished via the built-in IrDA port.

Label names up to 20 characters can be programmed into the unit to identify the individual survey locations.

## Specifications

ASM-993			
<b>Operating modes</b>	Rate, timed-peak hold, integrate, data logging, and scaler (dual option: "based on measurement" or "based on time")		
<b>Operating rate ranges (dependent on selected probe):</b>	Complementary units in the integrate mode with the integrated time value in seconds		
	<b>µR/hr</b>	<b>mR/hr</b>	<b>R/hr</b>
	µrem/hr	mrem/hr	rem/hr
	µSv/hr	mSv/hr	Sv/hr
	CPM	CPS	
	DPM		
	Bq	kBq	MBq
	µCi	mCi	Ci
	<b>µR</b>	<b>mR</b>	<b>R</b>
	µrem	mrem	rem
	µSv	mSv	Sv
	C (counts)		
	D (distintegrations)		
<b>Temperature range</b>	-10 °C to 50 °C (14 °F to 122 °F)		
<b>Relative humidity</b>	0% to 95%, non-condensing		

<b>Warm up time</b>	5 second diagnostic check																								
<b>Power requirements</b>	Two "D" cells, 150 hours operation, automatically indicates when battery is low																								
<b>Housing material</b>	Proprietary polycarbonate, splash-proof case																								
<b>Display</b>	Liquid crystal display, 5.6 cm x 5.6 cm (2.2 in x 2.2 in)																								
<b>ASM-993 Internal GM Detector</b>																									
<b>Range</b>	0.1 mR/hr to 1 R/hr																								
<b>Radiation detected</b>	Gamma above 60 keV																								
<b>Accuracy</b>	± 10 % of reading between 10 % and 100 % of full scale on any range, exclusive of energy dependence																								
<b>ASM-993 Internal GM 'Pancake' Detector</b>																									
<b>Range</b>	Background to 80 mR/hr																								
<b>Radiation detected</b>	Alpha above 3.5 MeV, beta above 35 keV and gamma above 6 keV																								
<b>Window</b>	15 cm <sup>2</sup> (1.75 in Ø) mica, 1.4 mg/cm <sup>2</sup> to 2.0 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>																								
<b>Typical background</b>	30 CPM																								
<b>Protective screen</b>	Stainless steel, hexagonal pattern providing 86 % open area																								
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<b>Efficiency</b>	<p>The internal pancake detector efficiency is shown below. In a recent performance check, the numbers shown represent typical results obtained:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Isotope</th> <th colspan="2">% Efficiency</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><sup>14</sup>C</td> <td><sup>241</sup>Am</td> <td>5 %</td> <td>8 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td><sup>99</sup>Tc</td> <td><sup>129</sup>I</td> <td>12 %</td> <td>2 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td><sup>137</sup>Cs</td> <td><sup>230</sup>Th</td> <td>24 %</td> <td>15 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td><sup>90</sup>Sr</td> <td><sup>239</sup>Pu</td> <td>59 %</td> <td>12 %</td> </tr> <tr> <td><sup>36</sup>Cl</td> <td></td> <td>26 %</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Note: The efficiency formula used to calculate the % Efficiency is: Eff. % = (CPM x 100)/DPM</p>	Isotope		% Efficiency		<sup>14</sup> C	<sup>241</sup> Am	5 %	8 %	<sup>99</sup> Tc	<sup>129</sup> I	12 %	2 %	<sup>137</sup> Cs	<sup>230</sup> Th	24 %	15 %	<sup>90</sup> Sr	<sup>239</sup> Pu	59 %	12 %	<sup>36</sup> Cl		26 %	
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<b>Dimensions (LxWxH)</b>	10.5 cm x 27.7 cm x 6.4 cm (4.1 in x 10.9 in x 2.5 in)																								
<b>Weight</b>	1.09 kg (2.4 lb)																								

**Typical energy dependence**

