

REACTOR TYPE FURNACES Universal mounting - Remote Control - Single or Three Zone Model family: RCT-AM1-T-1500

Description.

Being able to reach heat up rates as high as 100 °C per minute RCT-AM1-T-1500 models family justifies the characteristic of an extremely rapid heating device. Constructed using lightweight insulation heaters with embedded Molybdenum Disilicide (MoSi₂) elements, selected from renowned KANTHAL SUPER[®] heating systems programs, this family is an ideal choice for reliable, very accurate and uniform temperature control processes up to 1500 °C continuously. Taking advantage of the **THERMANSYS[®]** PCC (Power Consistent Control) close loop control management platform these furnaces offer a true strong market competitor for all the applications involving heating of the material up to 1500 °C.



Model shown RCT-AM1-T-1Z_D6L21-1500 with PYROMODULAR main controller.

Based on accurate true rms Volt/Ampere measurements that our **PYROMODULAR** system enables, and on the PCC management platform these furnaces have optimum performance in terms of Power Factor and EMC standards compliance. Focusing our control management on the specific resistor properties the workable life of the heater is significantly extended without partially sacrifice the extremely fast heating rates that can provide, using conservative control techniques.

Unlike most commercially available competitive models, utilizing shank $MoSi_2$ resistors hanging from one furnace side, the RCT-AM1-T-1500 resistors shape is helical resulting to a denser heater structure with improved temperature uniformity and compactness. The implementation of the three zone design, enhance even more the uniformity length, resulting in the development of models having up to 600mm uniform temperature length (±10 °C) at 1500 °C.

Key features.

- Best available quality KANTHAL[®] spiral shape MoSi₂ resistors driven by THERMANSYS[®] PCC control platform insure furnace long life operation up to 1500 °C continuous operation.
- Extremely low mass vacuum formed thermal insulation enables high output available for the load and fast heat up rates while significantly contributes to energy savings under daily thermal cycling.
- Control strategy focusing in high power factor for all workable temperature areas leads to energy savings and insures compliance with EMC (Electro-Magnetic Compatibility) standards.
- Vertical and horizontal mounting flexibility covers different present and future laboratory needs.

- Very high power density -fast temperature ramping.
- Accurate and uniform temperature profiles.
- Modern double wall construction keeps external surfaces temperature low, emphasizing in operator safety. Internal skin is exclusively made from stainless steel to enhance durability.
- Ergonomic design with no protruding edges, bolts or other features combines stainless steel parts with painted finish parts for an improved esthetic result.
- Adaptively tuned Temperature PID control constantly conforms to various load needs.
- Deterministic over-temperature limiter with manual reset, in accordance with EN 60519-2 to protect the oven and load.

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PYROMODULAR System at a Glance.

Operated through the specially developed **PYROLOGISM 2.0** software and equipped with a touch screen computer **PYROMODULAR** is a state of the art control, monitoring and data acquisition **system**. Taking advantage of the optional expanding capabilities of this system the user can not only just control the furnace but create a fully instrumented and totally integrated high temperature reactor system.

PYROMODULAR Main Controller.

Each **RCT-AM1-T-1500** furnace is equipped as a standard with the **PYROMODULAR Main Controller** that enables:

- Touch Screen Computer running user friendly operator **PYROLOGISM 2.0** software human-machine interface.
- Single or three heating zones models remote closed loop control and power circuits.
- 3 user process thermocouple inputs available (B, E, J, K, N, R, S, T type- software configurable).
- Power and true rms Current measuring circuits for each heating zone(s).
- Heater failure, open control thermocouple detection alarms and interlocks. Alarms and events front panel led array.
- Stand alone over-temperature limiter (Watchdog) with manual reset in accordance with EN 60519-2 to protect the oven and load for each heat zone(s). Overrides main controller and cut off heater power if user adjustable high limit is reached.
- Alarm event output (dry contact 3A/250V AC/DC).
- USB client B type and RJ45 port for connection to PC.



PYROMODULAR- Modules Palette

PM – Gas Flow and Pressure

Gas flow control manifold with Mass Flow Meters and Controllers for process gas control.

PM – Gas Analyzers In line low cost embedded IR analyzers.

PM – **Vacuum** Rough (up to 10^{-3} torr) and High (up to 10^{-7} torr) complete vacuum systems.

For detailed information and ordering please refer to our corresponding Technical Bulletin "**Pyromodular System**"



PYROLOGISM control and monitoring software.

Having in mind user's convenience and daily work facilitation, Thermansys[®] design and develop a special windows architecture software providing a friendly human machine interface solution with advanced features:

- Quick setting of a single ramp rate to a set point -run on timer function.
- Set-point programming up to 15 ramp and constant temperature programming steps graphical inspection of programming.
- Storage and reload of unlimited number of distinct programs.
- Real time chart illustrating control temperature(s), running set point(s) and user process temperatures with dynamic zoom.
- Real time true-rms Current (A), Voltage (V) and Power (W) measurements.
- Real time actual Power (W) and totalized Energy (kWh) chart.
- Saves all data on local memory and on external USB memory stick.
- Tools for manual PID tuning and auto-tuning.
- Virtual keyboard, alarm and event message tab.
- Watchdog over temperature limiter monitor/configuration.
- Gas flow and pressure, gas analyzers signals, monitoring and control interface pages activated if corresponding PM modules are enabled.
- Versions running at Microsoft[®] Windows are available for control by a PC through USB port.
- Remotely monitoring and control through network connection.

Accessories Available.

Model shown RCT-AM1-T-1Z_D6L21-1500 with optional mounting stand and Alumina work-tube.

Work-tubes.

Several work tube materials to choose from:

- Dense ceramic Alumina work-tubes for the highest temperature applications.
- Quartz work-tubes for maximum chemical inertia and for aggressive environments to work under vacuum or low pressure conditions up to 1100 °C continuously.
- KANTHAL[®] APMTM/APMT metallic (FeCrAl based) worktubes to serve under vacuum or pressure up to 1250 °C.

End Gas Sealing Flanges and Manifolds.

THERMANSYS[®] is providing work-tube End Gas Sealing Flanges for vacuum or pressure conditions. These flanges are provided either with hydraulic thread port or with Clamp Flange (CF) port for gases inlet/outlet- connection to the tubing network. Cooling fluid recirculation compartment is standard. Also available, flanges assembled with manifolds having ports for instrumentation mounting (e.g thermocouples, pressure sensors), quick-open loading port and quartz sight window.

For detailed information and ordering please refer to our corresponding Technical Bulletin "Reactor Type Furnaces Accessories"

Mounting Stands.

Assembled and constructed using BOSCH-REXROTH[®] structural profile systems these stands provide the ideal solution for vertical furnace stand alone positioning plus reactor and instrumentation mounting. Using the commercially available accessories, tubing and cable routing is easy and professionally accomplished. Stands with electronically actuated furnace move-up and down provide a solution for heating zone moving along the reactor length.

For detailed information and ordering please refer to our Technical Bulletin "Reactor Type Furnaces-Mounting Stands"

Technical Drawings.



Drawing 1. RCT-AM1-T-....-1500 Furnace

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Specifications and Ordering Information.

- Maximum continuous temperature 1500 °C.
- Operating Power: 208 /240VAC 50/60Hz.
- R type embedded thermocouples.
- Mounting orientation: Horizontal, and vertical.
- Temperature control accuracy ± 1 °C.
- Exposed resistors type.
- Single zone or three heating zone(s) configuration models.
- Each zone is equipped with two independed thermocouples
- for controller and over-temperature limiter feedback.
 Thermocouple inputs: 3 chan. - B, E, J, K, N, R, S, T type -software configurable 24 bit A/D conversion, 0-45°C cold junction compensated
 - Typical accuracy $\pm 0.2\%$ f.s @ 25, resolution 0.1 °C



Curves presented are simulated indicative data and are valid for common set-point for all heating zones, dense alumina process reactor fit to furnace diameter and with both ends plugged. Actual performance may vary depending on orientation, load mass and placement, reactor size and process gas flow existence

CE Certified. Compliant with **Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC** (harmonized referenced standard EN 61010-1: 2001 and EN 61010-2-010:2003) and **EMC Directive 2004/108/EC** (harmonized referenced standard EN 61326-1:2006). *Produced in GREECE following ISO 9001:2008 quality management system and ISO 14001:2004 environmental management system*.

TABLE1. Single Zone Models

Model Part Number	Max. Cont. Temp. °C	Furnace I.D. mm x Heated length mm x	Uniform Temp. length mm	Furnace external dim.	Nominal Max. Power
RCT-AM1-T-1Z	Heat up time* min	I otal length mm	± 10°C approx. **	wxHxL mm see drawing 1	(W)
_D4/L21-1500	1500 x 18	40x210x430	100	405x580x436	1500
_D4/L46-1500	1500 x 18	40x460x680	350	405x580x686	3000
_D6/L21-1500	1500 x 18	60x210x430	100	425x600x436	2200
_D6/L46-1500	1500 x 18	60x460x680	350	425x600x686	4400
_D9/L21-1500	1500 x 18	90x210x430	100	455x630x436	2800
_D9/L46-1500	1500 x 18	90x460x680	350	455x630x686	5600
_D11/L21-1500	1500 x 18	115x210x430	100	480x660x436	4400
_D11/L46-1500	1500 x 18	115x460x680	350	480x660x686	8800

TABLE2. Three Zone Models

Model Part Number	Max. Cont. Temp. °C x	Furnace I.D. mm x Heated length mm x	Uniform Temp. length mm	Furnace external dim.	Nominal Max. Power
	Heat up time * min	Mid. zn. length mm x	± 10 °C	WxHxL mm	(W)
RCT-AM1-T-3Z		Total length mm	approx.	see drawing 1	
_D4/L71-1500	1500 x 18	40x710x210x930	600	405x580x936	4500
_D6/L71-1500	1500 x 18	60x710x210x930	600	425x600x936	6600
_D9/L71-1500	1500 x 18	90x710x210x930	600	455x630x936	8400
_D11/L71-1500	1500 x 18	115x710x210x930	600	480x660x936	13200

* Furnace working with no load and both ends closed

** Simulated indicative data. Valid for common set-point for all heating zones, dense alumina process reactor fit to furnace diameter and with both ends plugged. Actual performance may vary depending on orientation, load mass and placement, reactor size and process gas flow existence.

IMPORTANT ORDERING NOTES:

- Models Part Number listed in Tables 1 and 2 concern complete turn key systems with PYROMODULAR main controller included. **Ordering Example:**

RCT-AM1-T-3Z_D6/L71-1500: This Part Number includes one RCT-AM1-T-1500 family furnace having 3 heating zones, 60mm internal diameter, 210mm mid zone length and one PYROMODULAR Main Controller.

- To order only the furnace add at the end of the part number the suffix "Single", e.g. RCT-AM1-T-3Z_D6/L71-1500_Single.

- Optional furnace accessories or mounding stands are ordered separately according to the respective data sheet ordering information.

- Additional PYROMODULAR Modules are ordered separately according to the respective data sheet ordering information.

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