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SAVE TIME  
**GO DIRECT**  
FOR MERCURY ANALYSIS



**DMA-80** *evo*  
Direct Mercury Analyzer



INDUSTRY LEADING  
PERFORMANCE



UNPARALLELED  
EASE OF USE



HIGH PRODUCTIVITY AND  
EFFICIENCY



LOW RUNNING AND  
MAINTENANCE COSTS

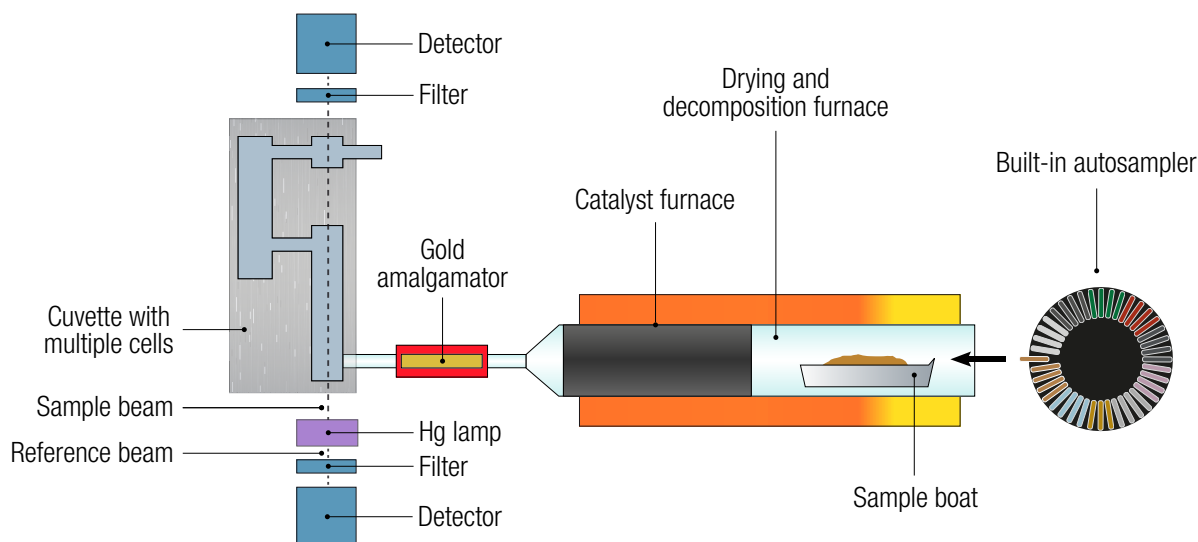


IMPRESSIVE APPLICATION  
FLEXIBILITY

# SIMPLIFY YOUR TOTAL MERCURY DETERMINATION GO DIRECT !

The Milestone DMA-80 has been at the forefront of direct total mercury analysis for almost two decades. The challenges in mercury determination are well known to analysts who have often had to face a number of issues due to either the tedious sample preparation process or the analysis step. The latter, even with the latest generation of ICP-MS or cold vapour systems, may create a memory effect even after long cleaning cycles. The DMA-80 can analyze any matrix (solid, liquid or gas) without any pre-treatment or chemical additions in as few as 6 minutes. We are and have been the benchmark for direct mercury determination in most industries: environmental, food, energy, cement, cosmetics, agriculture, mining and petrochemical. With thousands of DMA-80s installed in over 80 countries, Milestone has a wealth of experience and knowledge regarding direct mercury determination, ensuring your lab state-of-the-art technology and premium customer support.





DMA-80 evo schematics

## I SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE EVEN AT THE PPT LEVEL

The analysis process starts with weighing sample into a boat and then running it through thermal decomposition under air or oxygen flow. All mercury and residual combustion products then flow into the catalyst section. Here, interferences are removed and the mercury species are reduced and trapped on a gold amalgamator with subsequent release into multiple measuring cells positioned along the spectrophotometer's optical path. The DMA-80 evo double beam dramatically reduces the signal to noise ratio, which greatly improves the quantification limit, enabling accurate and precise mercury determination even at the ppt level. This increased signal stability improves the reproducibility and reliability of analysis even at low concentrations. With the DMA-80 evo, you get the right results the first time, every time.

IMPROVED  
DESIGN  
FROM THE INSIDE OUT

## I FULL MERCURY RECOVERY

The DMA-80 evo is equipped with an advanced catalyst tube and gold amalgamator to provide high-end performance, full mercury conversion, interference removal and fast mercury release. These components allow the DMA-80 evo to deliver fast and accurate results in a single measurement, providing symmetrical peaks and avoiding mercury overestimation or underestimation.

Sample	Amount	Concentration
Blank	-	0.0001 µg/L
Water Sample 1 <sup>st</sup>	0.5 ml	0.105 µg/L
Water Sample 2 <sup>st</sup>	0.5 ml	0.108 µg/L
Water Sample 3 <sup>st</sup>	0.5 ml	0.109 µg/L
Water Sample 4 <sup>st</sup>	0.5 ml	0.106 µg/L
Water Sample 5 <sup>st</sup>	0.5 ml	0.105 µg/L
<b>Average</b>	-	<b>0.1069 µg/L</b> <b>σ<sub>rel</sub> : 1.76%</b>

Example of reproducibility of the DMA-80 evo at very low mercury concentration

# DELIVERING PERFORMANCE WITH EASY TO USE TECHNOLOGY

Direct mercury analysis offers inherent ease of use, simplifying mercury determination to its roots. The DMA-80 evo's many features ensure superior ease of use coupled with greater accuracy and precision.

## A SINGLE LONG-LASTING CALIBRATION FOR ALL MATRICES

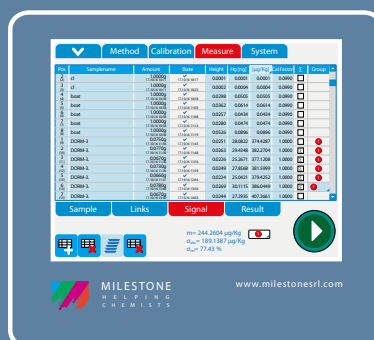
A single calibration, completed using liquid or solid reference materials, suits a large variety of samples for a wide concentration range - from ppm to ppt. And, because of both system stability and long working-life of the catalyst tube and gold amalgamator, calibration of the DMA-80 evo offers long-term reliability. Daily calibrations often required by conventional instrumentation are not necessary.

Certified material	Certified (µg/Kg)	DMA-80 (µg/Kg)
NIST 1568a Rice Flour	5.8 ± 0.5	5.9 ± 0.2
BCR-150 Skim Milk Powder	7.7 - 11.1	9.2 ± 0.2
NIST 1630a Coal	93.8 ± 3.7	93.4 ± 2.4
NIST 1633b Fly Ash	141 ± 19	149 ± 2
BCR-61 Aquatic Plant	210 ± 250	221 ± 3
GSD-10 Stream Sediment	280 ± 40	270 ± 15
BCR-422 Cod Muscle	543 - 575	558 ± 8

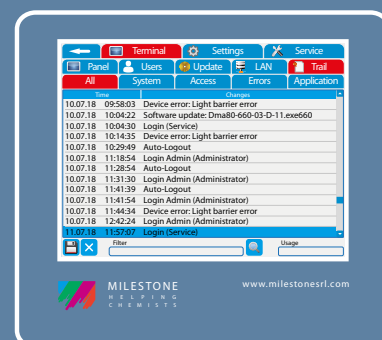
*Results of various certified reference materials using the same calibration*

## ENHANCED SOFTWARE CAPABILITIES AND CONTROL

The intuitive DMA-80 evo software, EasyCONTROL, available on both the dedicated terminal and on PC, includes the most advanced features to simplify analysis reporting: LIMS connection, data handling, data import/export, and a audit trail in compliance with 21 CFR part 11. And our data reprocessing feature prevents the need to re-run specific sample.



Statistics on the DMA-80 evo software



Complete Audit trail in full compliance with 21 CFR part 11

## I FORGET MEMORY EFFECT

The memory effect in mercury analysis is widely recognized as one of the most common challenges that analytical chemists face. Milestone's DMA-80 evo fully overcomes it with a revolutionary feature: Autoblank. This, along with the other high-performance components of the system, eliminates overestimation and ensures low blanks, thus enhancing user confidence in the data collected, while still ensuring high productivity.



### 1. SEABASS

Direct mercury analysis of a seabass sample.

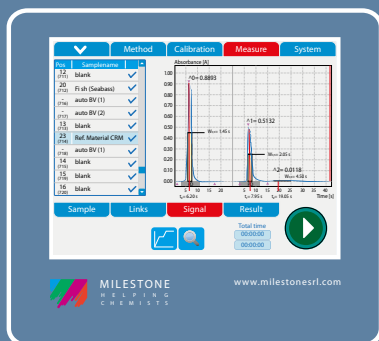
*Hg: 1239.66 µg/Kg*



### 2. AUTO-BLANK

As the Hg concentration is above the set value in the Autoblank, the system automatically starts a blank cycle.

*Hg: -*



### 3. LOBSTER HEPATOPANCREAS (TORT-3)

Thanks to the Autoblank feature the next sample is analyzed with great precision and accuracy, avoiding overestimation.

*Hg: 287.65 µg/Kg*  
*Certified value: 292 ± 22 µg/Kg*

# MILESTONE CONNECT

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AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Included with the DMA-80 evo is a unique web-based application: Milestone Connect. This app allows you to become a part of the Milestone community and gain exclusive access to a robust library of information: lists of parts, technical notes, user manuals, video tutorials, continuously updated application notes and all relevant scientific articles. Milestone Connect also extends instrument control to your smartphone, tablet or PC, allowing remote monitoring of the system. With Milestone Connect you have instant access to support 24/7.



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# MAXIMIZE LAB PRODUCTIVITY AND RETURN ON INVESTMENT

## THE FASTEST PATH TO MERCURY DETERMINATION

The DMA-80 evo is equipped with a 40 position autosampler suitable for solid, liquid and gas samples. Samples are directly weighed in a boat, the weight is recorded by the EasyCONTROL software, then the quartz or metal boat is placed into the 40 position autosampler to begin analysis. This process is completed in as few as 5 minutes from weighing to results. Method development and sample preparation are unnecessary. The DMA-80 evo runs unattended, offers a quick turnaround time and has become a necessity for mercury determination in many labs over a wide range of applications.



*Sample weighing  
into the boat*



*Sample boat is placed  
into the autosampler*



*In 5 minutes the sample  
is analysed*

## LOW RUNNING COSTS, SUPERIOR ROI

A streamlined workflow is essential in a modern lab. The DMA-80 evo accommodates those needs by providing an easy-to-maintain system with a low running cost. The advanced components of the DMA-80 evo are synonymous with reliability, ensuring the same quality over and over again. The DMA-80 evo runs perfectly with either compressed air or oxygen as a carrier, providing additional savings to your lab without compromising on performance.

	DMA-80	CV-AAS/ ICP-MS
<i>Sample type</i>	Solid, liquid and gas	Aqueous
<i>Working range</i>	From ppt to ppm	ppb
<i>Sample preparation</i>	Not required	Required
<i>Memory effect</i>	Very low	Medium to high
<i>Daily calibration</i>	Not required	Required
<i>Matrix effect</i>	None	Medium/High
<i>Productivity</i>	Very high	Low/Medium
<i>Running cost</i>	Low	Medium/High

*Comparison between different technologies for mercury determination*

# THE PERFECT TOOL FOR ANY APPLICATION

## GO DIRECT FOR ANY SAMPLE

Since its introduction, the DMA-80 evo has seamlessly integrated into a wide range of applications and industries. It is used for mercury determination in environmental applications such as soil, wastewater, sediment and waste testing. It has also been adopted into the food industry, where fish testing is the primary application. The DMA-80 evo combines high performance, impressive productivity and ease of use in a single solution.



*Environmental*



*Food/Fish*



*Power plant/Coal*



*Cement/Mining*



*Clinical/Biological*



*Petrochemical*

## OFFICIAL METHODS COMPLIANCE

The DMA-80 evo is fully compliant with multiple official methods such as the US EPA method 7473<sup>1</sup>, developed with the DMA-80 evo, (Mercury in solids and solutions by thermal decomposition, amalgamation, and atomic absorption spectrophotometry), the ASTM method D-6722-01<sup>2</sup> (Total mercury in coal and coal combustion residues) and ASTM method D-7623-10<sup>3</sup> (Total mercury in crude oil).

Sample	Concentration DMA-80 (mg/Kg)	Certified (mg/Kg)
NIST 1633b	0.142	0.14 ± 0.02
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*NIST 1633b, Constituent Elements  
in Coal Fly Ash Certified Material  
RSD: 2.06% - Mean: 0.139 mg/Kg - SD: 0.028*

Sample	Concentration DMA-80 (mg/Kg)	Certified (mg/Kg)
BCR 277R	0.125	0.128 ± 0.017
BCR 277R	0.122	0.128 ± 0.017
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BCR 277R	0.127	0.128 ± 0.017
BCR 277R	0.127	0.128 ± 0.017

*BCR 277R, Estaurine Sediment Certified Material  
RSD: 1.83% - Mean: 0.124 mg/Kg - SD: 0.0023*

<sup>1</sup> Mercury in solids and solutions by thermal decomposition, amalgamation, and atomic absorption spectrophotometry.

<sup>2</sup> Total mercury in coal and coal combustion residues.

<sup>3</sup> Total mercury in crude oil.

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