## **Evacuable Pellet Press** – For Preparation of High Quality Pellets



## FEATURES OF THE EVACUABLE PELLET PRESS

- Ideal for making high-quality KBr pellets
- Apply up to 20,000 lbs (9,071 kg) of pressure
- Evacuable to prevent cloudy pellets
- Requires hydraulic press

The PIKE Technologies Evacuable Pellet Press is the preferred accessory for making pellets for FTIR analysis. Preparation of KBr pellets with a 13 mm die and a hydraulic press is the most popular method used for generation of samples for transmission measurements. It is also required by a number of standardized procedures, including some USLP and ASTM methods. The advantages of this approach include the generation of high quality pellets, reproducibility, and the ability to deal with relatively difficult samples, thanks to a wide range of pressures available. The PIKE Evacuable KBr Die Kit features the following components: a stainless steel base with vacuum outlet, the main die block with a 13 mm cylinder, two anvils and a plunger. All components are made of hardened stainless steel and surfaces that come in contact with the sample are highly polished. Two O-rings are used to seal the base/die assembly and the plunger.

Pellet preparation involves placement of the anvil in the die chamber and covering it up with the pre-measured amount of KBr/sample mix.

The sample is covered with the second anvil and the plunger is inserted into the chamber. The entire assembly is placed in a hydraulic press and compressed (a vacuum line can be connected to the base to remove moisture from the sample). For analysis, the formed pellet is ejected from the die with an extractor and mounted onto a standard 2" x 3" sample holder.

Anvils Die Body Base O-Ring Vacuum Evacuable pellet press assembly layout

Piston

The PIKE Technologies **Evacuable Pellet Press comes** complete with anvils and vacuum connector.

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PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	
161-1900	Evacuable Pellet Press for 13 mm pellets Includes: Die Block, Anvils and pellet extracting tool.	
Evacuable Pel	llet Press Options and Replacement Parts	
PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	
160-8010	KBr Powder, 100 g	
161-5050	Agate Mortar and Pestle, 50 mm	
162-5300	Magnetic Film Holder – for 13 mm pellets and film samples	
162-5410	Sample Card – for 13 mm pellets (10 each)	
161-1908	Pellet Extracting Tool	
161-1903	Anvils (2 each) for PIKE Evacuable Pellet Press	
161-1906	Piston O-Rings (2 each)	
161-1907	Base O-Rings (2 each)	
430-1110	Vacuum Pump, 110V	
430-1220	Vacuum Pump, 220V	



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