

Troubleshooting - Operation Contamination

KJLC 392 Wide Range Gauge Part Number: KJLC392402Yx

Issue	Possible Cause	Possible Solution
Clear ERROR message	Must be done before the ion gauge can be turned on after receiving an ERROR message	1. SETUP UNIT> CLR IG ERROR
Indication	Possible Cause	Possible Solution
Display is off / blank	 No power The connector may not be wired correctly 	 Check cable connections Check cable connections
Readings are very different from expected pressure	 Sensor not installed in the proper location The process gas is different from the gas used to calibrate the gauge (nitrogen) Sensor has been dropped Gauge sensor is contaminated Leak in the vacuum system 	 Ensure sensor is located in the right place (page 10 of manual) Apply gas sensitivity correction factor if applicable or select the appropriate gas (page 46 of manual) Replace the ion gauge sensor Degas the sensor or replace the sensor Re-check for a leak in the system; metal seals should be used when operating below 1x10-7 Torr
lon gauge cannot be turned on	 Pressure exceeds 1.00 x 10-3 Torr at 4 mA emission Pressure exceeds 5.0 x 10-2 Torr at 0.10 mA (100 μA) emission Emission Control not functioning 	 Decrease pressure below required value Decrease pressure below required value Switch to the other filament Front Panel Control - page 32 of manual (SETUP IG > FILAMENT NUM> FILAMENT 1/2) RS485 - page 66 of manual for ASCII commands Ion gauge sensor is possibly contaminated. Go into R&D Mode MENU> SETUP DISP> SHOW DATA> IG ONLY RND After going to top of menu, it should display several things including FVI. The first digits are filament voltage, the second digits are current. If voltage > 1.7 V and current is > 2.5 A at 100 uA setting, there is possible contamination

			ii. If voltage > 2.3 V and current is > 2.7 A at 4 mA setting, there is possible contamination.
			2. Degas sensor if values exceed limits from point 4.1
			 Degassing basic information, page 20 of manual
			2. Front Panel Control> DEGAS ON
			 RS-485 - page 66 of manual for ASCII commands
			 Re-check R&D Mode Values. If nothing changed, sensor is contaminated.
		5.	Check the resistance between filaments 1 and 2 (page 73)
		1. 2.	 Remove the ion gauge transducer from the control module (page 78, steps 1-5)
			 Measure the resistance using an ohmmeter; a good intact filament will have a resistance of 0.2 ohms (page 73 of manual)
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			Fianer 2 = 5 Jahra Fianer 1 = 6 Zotha
		6.	Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D and resistance values 1. Possibly need to replace the sensor
Research Screen shows	1. Filament is open	1.	Switch to other filament
filament Voltage is present but filament current stays at 0			1. Switch filament
			 a. Front panel -(SETUP IG> FILAMENT NUM > FILAMENT 1/2)
			b. RS485 - page 68 of manual
		2.	Check the resistance between filaments 1 and 2 (page 73)
			 Remove the ion gauge transducer from the control module (page 78, steps 1-5)
		2	 Measure the resistance using an ohmmeter; a good intact filament will have a resistance of 0.2 ohms (page 73 of manual)

		 3. Contact sales@lesker.com with resistance values Possibly need to replace the sensor
Research screen shows filament voltage and current are present but gauge is shutting off	1. Filament is contaminated or burned out	 Check filament current MENU> SETUP DISP> SHOW DATA> IG ONLY RND After going to top of menu, it should display several things including FVI. The first digits are filament voltage, the second digits are current.

Error Message -	1. The calculated pressure	 6. Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D and resistance values 1. Possibly need to replace the sensor 1. Change to 100 μA emission current which will operate at bick paragraphics and paragraphics.
OVERPRESSURE	is greater than the maximum setting for emission current. System pressure is too high	higher pressures or reduce pressure 1. Front panel Control- page 24 of manual (EMISSION SEL> 100 μA) 2. RS485 - page 66 of manual
Error Message - EMIS FAIL	 The desired emission current (IE) could not be established. Gauge contamination, possible coating on filament or grid surfaces. End of filament life System pressure too high 	 Reduce the pressure (if applicable) Check filament current MENU> SETUP DISP> SHOW DATA> IG ONLY RND After going to top of menu, it should display several things including FVI. The first digits are filament voltage, the second digits are current.

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Error Message - ION CUR FAIL	 The ion current (IC) is below the minimum parameter. Sensor contamination, possible coating on collector inhibiting ion collection Electrometer failure 	 Check filament current MENU> SETUP DISP> SHOW DATA> IG ONLY RND After going to top of menu, it should display several things including FVI. The first digits are filament voltage, the second digits are current.

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Error Message - LV Failure	1. The filament voltage could not be established; electronics failure.	 Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D and Resistance Values (see Error Message - EMIS FAIL for instructions on how to obtain these values)
Error Message - LV OVR PRW	1. The power applied to the filament is at maximum without establishing an emission current	 Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D and Resistance Values (see Error Message - EMIS FAIL for instructions on how to obtain these values)
F1 or F2 open	 Filament 1 or 2 is open Faulty electronics 	 Check the resistance between filaments 1 and 2 (page 73) Remove the ion gauge transducer from the control module (page 78, steps 1-5) Measure the resistance using an ohmmeter; a good intact filament will have a resistance of 0.2 ohms (page 73 of manual) 3. Contact sales@lesker.com with resistance values
		R&D MODE Troubleshooting 1. MENU> SETUP DISP> SHOW DATA> IG ONLY RND
Filament voltage values are present for several seconds immediately after turning IG ON, but then the values are zero	1. Filament is contaminated or filament has reached end-of-useful operating life for required emission current setting	 Degas sensor Degassing basic information, page 20 of manual Front Panel Control> DEGAS ON RS-485 - page 66 of manual for ASCII commands Re-check R&D Mode Values. If nothing changed, sensor is contaminated. Switch emission current setting from initial setting and restart the IG; make several attempts to establish emission current at both 100 µA and 4 mA. Front panel - page 31 (EMISSION SEL> 4mA / 100 uA) RS485 - page 66 of manual

		 Front panel - page 32 (SETUP IG> FILAMENT NUM> FILAMENT 1/2) RS485 - page 66
All parameters in the R&D screen are zero after IG turn ON is attempted	1. Failed Electronics	1. Contact sales@lesker.com for replacement electronics
354 filament voltage is greater than 1.7 V and filament current is greater than 2.5 A with emission current = 100 μA	1. Filament nearing end-of- useful operating-life	 Degas sensor Degassing basic information, page 20 of manual Front Panel Control> DEGAS ON RS-485 - page 66 of manual for ASCII commands Re-check R&D Mode Values. If nothing changed, sensor is contaminated. Switch to other filament or replace sensor Switch filament Front panel -(SETUP IG> FILAMENT NUM> FILAMENT 1/2) RS485 - page 68 of manual Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D values Possibly need to replace the sensor
354 filament voltage is greater than 2.3 V and filament current is greater than 2.7 A with emission current = 4 mA	1. Filament nearing end-of- useful operating-life	 Degas sensor Degassing basic information, page 20 of manual Front Panel Control> DEGAS ON RS-485 - page 66 of manual for ASCII commands Re-check R&D Mode Values. If nothing changed, sensor is contaminated. Switch to other filament or replace sensor Switch filament Front panel -(SETUP IG> FILAMENT NUM> FILAMENT 1/2) RS485 - page 68 of manual Contact sales@lesker.com with R&D values Possibly need to replace the sensor

If none of these steps help alleviate the issues, please contact sales@lesker.com with the Troubleshooting form as well as provide the R&D and Resistance Values (see Error Message - EMIS FAIL for instructions on how to obtain these values)



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