# Oxygen Depletion in Pharmaceutical Applications

Protect your personnel with the right solution



# Oxygen (O2) Depletion Risks in Pharmaceutical Processing

Oxygen depletion means that something has reduced the ambient Oxygen content in air below 20.9%. Generally this is caused by inert gases such as Nitrogen, Argon, Neon, Helium, and others.

In pharmaceutical applications the risk comes from one gas alone – Nitrogen (N2).

N2 is used in two states – Liquid or Gaseous. Liquid N2 when contained and used correctly is safe to use as long as the correct procedures are followed. But things can go wrong, and if spilt due to incorrect handling then it will boil back into a gas.

The volume of liquid N2 is 750 times less than the gaseous state, so when it converts suddenly from liquid to gas it pushes the ambient air away. Suddenly the O2 level is reduced which can cause asphyxiation.

Another risk is when piped gaseous N2 is used in a lab or manufacturing location. A slow leak from piped nitrogen can gradually dilute the air and reduce the O2 level, this can cause people to suffer physiological effects.

## Solving the O2 Depletion Challenge

It's very common for pharma manufacturing plants to grow over time, and different O2 depletion monitors from various manufacturers are added 'as and when' required. None of them can talk to a central controller and there may be no way to know where an incident has occurred on the site. Our complete solution changes this:

- Rosemount 928 WirelessHART<sup>®</sup> gas monitor with a field replaceable electrochemical O2 sensor
- DeltaV process control system
- Gateway

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Our industry leading solution can be installed quickly and efficiently.



### **The Emerson Solution**

#### Rosemount<sup>™</sup> 928 Wireless Gas Monitor



The Rosemount 928 Wireless Gas Monitor detects oxygen depletion (O<sub>2</sub>) in remote applications previously too challenging and costly to monitor. The system enhances worker safety in a quick and efficient manner:

- Early gas leak detection
- Simple integration with *Wireless*HART technology
- Eliminates the need for expensive cable and cable infrastructure.

#### Emerson™ Wireless 1410S Gateway



The Emerson Wireless 1410S Gateway is the newest, most versatile wireless networking solution from the leader in wireless infrastructure. Increased network capacity allows users to strengthen or add to *Wireless*HART networks seamlessly while connecting with host systems and data applications. Customizable networks and flexible installation allow users to create a wireless field network to fit the needs of even the most challenging applications and site requirements.

#### DeltaV<sup>™</sup> Distributed Control System (DCS)



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