FASTER ChemFAST
Laboratory Fume Cupboards
ChemFAST Top is designed to meet all the routine safety requirements encountered by both the operator and the environment through the use of chemical reagents. Units are equipped with a manual device to set the inlet air velocity when heavy or volatile chemicals are used and are supplied with fluorescent lighting.

ChemFAST Elite is designed with a microprocessor controlled system for a range of data which includes type and code number of the filter being used, installation date, maximum time allowance for filter use and a warning date for its replacement. Built in with five different languages like Italian, English, German, French and Spanish. Audible and visual alarms are also available to protect the operator. These alarms cover out of range minimum and maximum air velocity, filter saturation, prefilter clogging, anemometer failure, gas detector failure and motorfan malfunctioning. ChemFAST Elite is equipped with fluorescent lighting as well as optional vacuum tap and power point.

Applications for ChemFAST fume cupboards may be found in many laboratories, including those in clinical diagnostic testing, biological and medical research, analytical chemistry, Q.C., biotechnology, pharmaceutical industries, food, fine chemical, petrochemical, cosmetic, photographic laboratories and electronic industries.

ChemFAST recirculating fume hoods are ideal for moderate use of volatile chemicals (larger volumes a ducted fume hood is recommended).
Faster S.r.l. has designed and manufactured ChemFAST Top and Elite ductless fume cupboards using the latest molecular filtration technology. This provides a safe working environment together with fume containment for protection from chemicals, vapours and aerosol in the laboratories.

ChemFAST cupboards are available in two different versions:

- **ChemFAST Top** series fume cupboards meet all routine requirements.
- **ChemFAST Elite** series units have additional microprocessor control. This ensures that all functional and operational parameters are monitored, facilitating the correct operation of the fume cupboards.

ChemFAST fume cupboards are used for the containment and removal of toxic vapours and aerosol, providing operator safety in a wide range of disciplines.

*ChemFAST cabinets are bench top models with epoxy painted galvanized steel structure for superior chemical resistance; epoxy painted steel base stand is available as option with foot rest bar.*
**ACTIVATED CHARCOAL FILTERS**

The filters used in the fume cupboards are manufactured from high grade coconut shell charcoal. All types of activated charcoal used in these filters are of amorphous structure obtained from the heat controlled oxidation of coconut shells. The cellulose structure of the coconuts provides the highest adsorption efficiency through a large surface area of up to 1050 m²/gm.

**FILTER TYPES**

a) **PRE-FILTERS**
High performance pre-filters are designed to remove particulates from the air stream. The filter material is based on electrets, which are permanently charged di-electrics. They remove particulates from polluted air by strong electrostatic forces generated by the fibres from which they are made. The combination of strong electric charges and open structure provides a filter with high efficiency, low airflow resistance and high loading capacity. Pre-filter efficiency is equal to 75–85% dust weight arrestance (ASHRAE).

b) **MAIN FILTERS**
Eight types of filter media are available. Most of these are impregnated activated carbon, to provide a higher filter capacity for lower molecular weight organic compounds and inorganic gases and vapours. A number of filter efficiency studies have been carried out, and all results using single bed filters show efficiencies very close to 100%.

1. **A/C FILTER**
The A/C filter is the most widely used filter in the range, and is used primarily for solvent fume removal. It is manufactured from coconut-shell based activated carbon of 4 x 8 USS mesh size and surface area up to 1050 m²/gm. Filtration is achieved by the physical adsorption of molecules in the pores of the activated carbon by Van der Waals forces.

   **Primary use:** organic odours, hydrocarbons, aromatic solvents, acid gases.

   **Secondary use:** organic emissions, hydrocarbons, aromatic solvents, acid gases.

2. **ACR FILTER**
This filter is impregnated with halide salts and is used for the high efficiency removal of iodine and methyl iodine. It is frequently used for iodination reactions with low-level radioactive iodine and efficiencies in excess of 99.99% have been measured.

   **Primary use:** radioactive iodine.

   **Secondary use:** hydrocarbons.

3. **FORM FILTER**
This filter is impregnate with an oxidising agent to oxidise formaldehyde to form salts. It is widely used in hospital pathology and cytology laboratories.

   **Primary use:** formaldehyde.

4. **SULF FILTER**
**Primary use:** acid odours, putrescine, cadaverine, acid gases, hydrogen sulphide, methyl mercaptan, sulphur compounds, sulphur dioxide, R.H. >85%.

5. **UR FILTER**
**Primary use:** acid odours, putrescine, cadaverine, acid gases, hydrogen sulphide, methyl mercaptan, sulphur compounds, sulphur dioxide, nitrogen oxygenated compounds.

   **Secondary use:** organic emissions, hydrocarbons, aromatic solvents, hydrocyanic acid, R.H. <85%.

6. **CYAN FILTER**
**Primary use:** hydrocyanic acid.

   **Secondary use:** organic emissions, hydrocarbons, aromatic solvents.

7. **MER FILTER**
**Primary use:** mercury vapours

   **Secondary use:** organic emissions, hydrocarbons.

8. **AM FILTER**
**Primary use:** ammonia and its derivatives

   **Secondary use:** organic emissions, hydrocarbons, aromatic solvents, alkaline odours, excrement, urines, animal odour.

9. **H14 HEPA/ULPA FILTER**
**Primary use:** powder and particulate.

**ADDITIONAL ACTIVATED CHARCOAL FILTERS**

ChemFAST unit may be optionally fitted with additional charcoal filter whenever the application requires for simultaneous use of different kind of solvents which can not be retained by standard charcoal filter. The additional filter is located into an external housing made in epoxy painted steel which can be fitted with or without spigot for external ducting.

![Additional filter housing with spigot for external ducting](image1.jpg)

![Additional filter housing re-circulating type](image2.jpg)
SAFETY GLASS FRONTAL SCREEN
Upwards opening hinged safety glass front window, designed for easy introduction of instruments into the work chamber and for easy access for cleaning and maintenance. Safety glass side walls.

WORK SURFACE
ChemFAST cabinet is supplied with acid resistant PVC work surface with special design to drive the liquids spilt to the corners of the surface. (AISI 304 stainless steel available as option).

CONSTRUCTION
ChemFAST series have a cold rolled epoxy painted galvanized body for superior resistant againsts chemical solvents aggression.

BUILT IN SAFETY
All electronic components, switches, lighting and motor fan have been selected and installed fully isolated from air contaminated with solvents and therefore meet the most stringent electrical safety requirements.
DESIGN FEATURES

Each ChemFAST cupboard contains an IP54 centrifugal motorfan, capable of maintaining a constant airflow by compensating for the clogging of the prefilters, which occurs during normal operation.

The ChemFAST Top series is equipped with a manual device for adjusting the air velocity to obtain the appropriate air velocity for each specific contaminant used.

The ChemFAST Elite series is equipped with a microprocessor based monitoring system.

Each unit has a liquid crystal display to show the face speed and a digital setting system to select the most suitable velocity for each specific contaminant used. (only for Elite model).

REPLACEMENT FILTER

Easy charcoal filter replacement from the front.

KEYBOARD

- Microprocessor controlled monitoring system (only for Elite model)
- Highly effective protection from toxic vapours
- High filtration efficiency
- Large adsorption capacity
- Filter monitoring system (standard only for Elite model)
- Ductless (in any case the cabinet is fitted with a 200 mm collar for optional ducting connection)

BACK SIDE HOLE

ChemFAST Unit is fitted with a hole on the back side panel with rubber cover to plug external devices.
A wide range of filters is available, from activated charcoal adsorbing filters to chemical adsorbing filters for specific applications such as the use of formalin, gluteraldehyde or radioactive iodine labelled compounds and for others applications.

The ChemFAST 06 unit incorporates a carbon filter which weighs approximately 13-21.5 Kg, the ChemFAST 09 unit incorporates two carbon filters with a total weight of approximately 18-28.8 Kg and the ChemFAST 12 unit incorporates two carbon filters with a total weight of about 26-43 Kg. ChemFAST 15 incorporates three carbon filters with a total weight of about 35-58 Kg.

Life time of the carbon filters is proportional to the overall weight of the charcoal fitted inside the filter.

Faster ChemFast series is outfit with the biggest filters available in the market to house a large quantity of carbons thus expanding the filter life time.

Each fume cupboard is equipped with disposable type prefilters, with an efficiency of 75%-85% dust weight arrestance (ASHRAE) to protect the main activated charcoal filter.

ChemFAST cabinet may be optionally fitted with water tap and drain system.

Work surface and all drain connections are made in AISI 304L stainless steel.

Water tap can be positioned on the right or on the left hand side.

The unit fitted with optional water tap is completed with an epoxy painted base stand mounted on castors with two hinged doors and handles.

Amenities for connection to the water building management system is not provided with the kit.
## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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