

Multifunction Powered Air Purifying Respirators

* Report Summary *

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Future Studies

- Identify the leak flow path when inhalation flow > PAPR blower
 - Human testing with incense
 - Breathing machine simulation
- Determine the tidal volume of contaminated air while wearing the PAPR



Current KRUG Steady State

Vacuum flow rate > PAPR blower

- When PAPR was maxed, flow pathway was too quick to capture.
- But, if the PAPR Blower is slowed, easier to see the flow pathways.







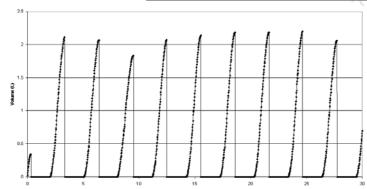
KRUG Breathing

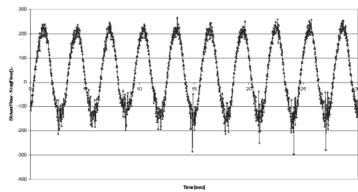
- Net max inhalation rate is about 200 LPM.
- Most of the leak points are between the scarf and lower jaw and around the ears.













Future Studies

- CO₂ build up and re-breathed.
- Are the leak flow pathway found during inhalation similar to the pathway of exhaled air?
- If so, the blower intake location may be too close to the exhalation pathway.
- A method to determine the tidal volume of contaminated air while wearing the PAPR.