Class II, Type B2 (Total Exhaust) Biological Safety Cabinets
The Safety Solution for Life Science Laboratories
Main Features

- The best value of any Type B2 (Total Exhaust) Biological Safety Cabinet in the industry.
- Less energy consumption and heat output than competing products delivers lower total cost of ownership.
- The angled front, narrow profile front grille, raised armrest and frameless sash create an ergonomic work environment.
- Single piece stainless steel internal work zone eliminates welded joints where contaminants may accumulate.
- Dual-wall construction surrounds the work zone with negative pressure plenums for maximum safety.
- Fail-safe system ensures that in case of exhaust failure, the cabinet’s main fan automatically shuts down to ensure safety to the user.
- Unique Esco Dynamic Chamber™ plenum design delivers quiet, uniform airflow.
- Long life ULPA (per IEST-RP-CC001.3) supply filter and HEPA exhaust filter for airflow.
- Esco Sentinel™ microprocessor supervises all cabinet functions.
- Esco ISOCIDE™ antimicrobial coating on all painted surfaces minimizes contamination.
Containment and Protection

- Exhausting to the outside environment via dedicated ducting enhances laboratory personnel protection.
- Inflow of room air enters the front air grille to establish operator protection; room air does not enter the work zone, preventing product contamination.
- Fail-safe exhaust interlock system switches off main fan in the event of an exhaust fan failure or blockage.
- Raised armrest prevents the likelihood of inflow grille blocking by operator’s arms.
- Auto-purge holes located at the front side walls eliminate eddy currents and dead air pockets in the critical area behind the sash window.
- The inflow velocity, downflow velocity, air flow path, and intake geometry are precision tuned and tested to create an optimum air curtain on the front aperture, this curtain maintains operator and product protection even in the unlikely event of a severe inflow or downflow imbalance that would compromise protection in a conventional cabinet.

Integrated Filtration System

A combination of a supply ULPA filter and an exhaust HEPA filter gives the AB2 cabinet a fully integrated performance envelope for product, operator and environmental protection.

- ULPA filters (per IEST-RP-CC001.3), are tested to a typical efficiency of >99.999% for 0.1 to 0.3 micron particles.
- HEPA filters are tested to a typical efficiency of >99.99% for 0.3 micron particles.
- Modern separator-less mini-pleat filter construction maximizes the filter surface area to extend filter life and eliminate possible filter media damage by thin and sharp aluminum separators used in conventional HEPA filter construction.

Operator, Product and Environmental Protection

The Esco Airstream Class II, Type B2 (Total Exhaust) Biological Safety Cabinet provides operator, product and environmental protection against Biosafety Levels 1, 2 and 3. This cabinet can be used for handling Biohazard Level 4, provided that the operator wears positive pressure suit.

Energy Efficiency Chart

The Esco AB2 cabinet utilizes an extremely efficient backward curve fan, allowing for exceedingly low levels of cabinet power consumption that are unparalleled in the industry.

The result is greater cost-savings for the user with no compromise in cabinet performance.
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- There are no screws on the front or sides
- A recessed central area and drain pan
- Tray components lift and remove to install and operate when shipped.
- All stainless steel work surfaces are accessible for cleaning.
- The cabinet work zone has no welded joints to collect contaminants or rust.
- The frameless sash eliminates operator’s line of sight blockage.
- The airflow alarm can be activated or deactivated depending on user preference and nature of the work.

Cabinet Construction
Robust construction and enhanced safety features qualify the cabinet for the most demanding laboratory applications. The cabinet is fully assembled and ready to install and operate when shipped.
- The interior work area is formed from a single piece of stainless-steel with large radius corners to simplify cleaning.
- The cabinet work zone has no welded joints to collect contaminants or rust.
- All stainless steel work surfaces are accessible for cleaning.
- Tray components lift and remove to provide easy access and encourage surface decontamination.
- A recessed central area and drain pan contain spills and prevent liquids from entering the lower filtration and blower systems.
- There are no screws on the front or sides to trap contaminants or complicate cleaning.

Service Fitting Access
The cabinet is prepared for easy installation of optional gas and vacuum fittings; see Accessories.
- Optional service fittings openings are offset for easier access.

Comfortable Ergonomic Design
The AB2 cabinet is engineered for comfort, utility value and safety.
- The angled viewing window improves reach into the work area.
- The instant-start 5000k fluorescent lamp operates on an electronic ballast to reduce heat, improve comfort and conserve energy.
- The lamp delivers uniform lighting to the work surface for greater comfort, reduced glare and improved productivity (see Technical Specifications).
- The front armrest is raised above the work zone to improve comfort and to ensure that the operator’s arms do not block the forward airflow perforations.
- The frameless sash eliminates operator’s line of sight blockage.

Electrical Safety and Certification
All components meet or exceed applicable safety requirements.
- Each cabinet is individually factory tested for electrical safety.
- Documentation specific to each cabinet serial number is maintained on file.
- Designed to meet major world standards for microbiological safety cabinets, such as NSF 49, SFDA YY-0569, and EN 12469 (refer to Technical Specifications for the full list).
- Contact Esco or your Sales Representative for site preparation information; see Electrical Specifications.

Warranty
The AB2 cabinet is warranted for 3 years excluding consumable parts and accessories.
- Each cabinet is shipped with a comprehensive User’s Manual complete with a report documenting all test procedures.
- Additional IQ/OQ documentation is available upon request.
- Contact your local Sales Representative for specific warranty details or documentation requests.

**Esco ULPA Filter Efficiency**

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<th>Particle Size (µm)</th>
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Esco cabinets use supply ULPA filters (per IEST-RP-CC001.3) instead of conventional HEPA filters commonly found in biological safety cabinets. While HEPA filters offer 99.99% typical efficiency at 0.3 micron level, ULPA filters provide 99.9999% typical efficiency for particle sizes of 0.1 to 0.3 micron level.

Microprocessor software updates are available from Esco for download via the Internet. Sentinel™ functions are factory set to default to ON or OFF, depending on worldwide destination and local preferences. Default settings can be user activated through the touchpad data entry access.

Automatic start-up sequence will prepare the cabinet for normal operation and advise when safe conditions are established.

An administrator controlled PIN (personal identification number) can be set to restrict access to main menu.

Consult your Esco Operating Manual or contact your Sales Representative for information on user-preference programming capabilities built into the Sentinel™ microprocessor platform.

**Standards Compliance**

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<th>For Filtration</th>
<th>For Electrical Safety</th>
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<td>99.99% typical efficiency at 0.3 micron level, ULPA filters provide 99.9999% typical efficiency for particle sizes of 0.1 to 0.3 micron level.</td>
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Sentinel Microprocessor Control System, Programmable

Touchpad data entry buttons permit control settings and access to diagnostics, default settings and hierarchical menus.

Color coded indicator lamps display green for primary function (fan operation), blue for secondary function (fluorescent lights and electrical outlet), and orange for caution (UV lamp ON).

Programmable automatic UV light timer simplifies operation, enhances contamination control, extends UV lamp life and saves energy.

A graphical interface indicates cabinet performance. Digital read-out with alpha-numeric display indicates all input, status and alarm functions. All functions can be user activated through touch-pad programming access; see Operations Manual.

Accessories and Options

Esco offers a variety of options and accessories to meet local applications. Contact Esco or your local Sales Representative for ordering information.

Support Stands
- Fixed height, available 711 mm (28") standard size or 864 mm (34"),
  - With leveling feet (±38.1 mm /1.5")
  - With casters
- Telescoping height stand for leveling feet, nominal range 660 mm to 960 mm (26" to 37.8")
- Telescoping height stand for casters, nominal range 660 mm to 880 mm (26" to 34.6")
  - Adjustable in 25.4 mm (1") increments

Electrical Outlets and Utility Fixtures
- Electrical outlet, ground fault, North America
- Electrical outlet, Europe / Worldwide

PETcock (air, gas, vacuum)
- North America (American) style
- Europe / Worldwide style DIN 12898, DIN 12919, DIN 3537

Cabinet Accessories
- Germicidal UV lamp
  - Controlled by automatic UV lamp timer through Sentinel™ microprocessor control panel
  - Emission of 253.7 nanometers for most efficient decontamination
  - Lamp is positioned away from operator line of sight for safety and proper exposure to interior surfaces.
- PVC armrest
  - Chemically treated, improves operator comfort, easy to clean.
- Ergonomic foot rest
  - Angled, helps maintain proper posture
  - Adjustable height
  - Anti-skid coating, chemical resistant finish

PVc armrest
- Chemically treated, improves operator comfort, easy to clean.
- Ergonomic lab chair
  - Laboratory grade construction, meets Class 100 cleanliness;
  - Alcohol resistant PVC materials
  - Adjustable height 395-490 mm (15.6"-19.3")

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  - Anti-skid coating, chemical resistant finish
- IV bar, with hooks
  - Stainless steel construction
  - Available for all standard Esco cabinets
- Microscope viewing device
  - Mounting and viewing pouch integrated into sash. Factory installed; specify when ordering.
- Anti blowback valve
  - Prevents flow from the facility HVAC system into the Esco product.
- Air tight damper
  - Seals the Esco product from the facility HVAC system during decontamination.

When programmed ON
- the start-up sequence confirms status with Air Safe and local time display.
- the Personal Identification Number (PIN) access restricts unauthorized adjustments.
- an airflow alarm warns of deviations from normal velocities.

Esco Airstream cabinets use a combination of high performance scroll blowers (supply) and German made ebm-papst® permanently lubricated, centrifugal motor/blowers with external rotor designs (exhaust).

Selected for energy efficiency, compact design, and flat profile, the completely integrated exhaust blower assembly optimizes motor cooling, with unified rotating parts and overall component balance for smooth, quiet, vibration-free operation.

Weight is equally distributed to all bearings to extend bearing life, transfer heat and maximize speed control.
Ambient air is pulled through the front-grille to prevent contamination of the work surface and work product. The inflow does not mix with the clean air within the cabinet work zone. Inflow air travels through a return path toward the common air plenum (blower plenum) at the top of the cabinet.

- Ambient air is taken in through a prefiltter at the top of the cabinet, and passes through the downflow ULPA filter, entering the work zone as laminar flow. The uniform, non-turbulent air stream protects against cross contamination within and throughout the work area.

- Near the work surface, the downflow air stream splits with a portion moving toward the front air grille, and the remainder moving to the rear air grille. A small portion of the ULPA filtered downflow enters the intake perforations at the side capture zones (small blue arrows). The uniform, non-turbulent air stream protects against cross contamination within and throughout the work area.

- A combination of inflow and downflow air streams forms an air barrier that prevents contaminated room air from entering the work zone, and prevents work surface emissions from escaping the work zone. The downflow combined with the inflow air enters the common air plenum.

- All air in the common plenum is HEPA-filtered and exhausted via a dedicated ducting system to the external environment.
### General Specifications, Airstream Class II Type B2 (Total Exhaust) Biological Safety Cabinets

*Note to customer: Insert electrical voltage number into last model number digits _ when ordering*

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<td>0.9 meters (3')</td>
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<td>Without Base Stand</td>
<td>1035 x 811 x 1460 mm</td>
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<td>With Optional Base Stand, 711mm (28&quot;) type</td>
<td>1035 x 811 x 2171 mm</td>
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<td>Internal Work Area, Dimensions (W x D x H)</td>
<td>970 x 585 x 670 mm</td>
<td>1270 x 585 x 670 mm</td>
<td>1570 x 585 x 670 mm</td>
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<td>Internal Work Area, Space</td>
<td>0.43 m² (4.67 sq.ft)</td>
<td>0.58 m² (6.2 sq.ft)</td>
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<td>Tested and Working Opening</td>
<td>173 mm (6.8&quot;) and 198 mm (7.8&quot;)</td>
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<td>Average Airflow Velocity</td>
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<td>Airflow Volume</td>
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<td>Minimum exhaust static pressure for clean exhaust filter**</td>
<td>465 Pa / 1.9 in H2O</td>
<td>364 Pa / 1.5 in H2O</td>
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<td>Shipping Weight, Maximum******</td>
<td>232 kg (511 lbs)</td>
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<td>45.2&quot; x 33.5&quot; x 69.3&quot;</td>
<td>57.1&quot; x 33.5&quot; x 69.3&quot;</td>
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<td>80.7&quot; x 33.5&quot; x 69.3&quot;</td>
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<td>Shipping Volume, Maximum*******</td>
<td>1.72 m³ (61 cu.ft)</td>
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<td>2.62 m³ (93 cu.ft)</td>
<td>3.07 m³ (108 cu.ft)</td>
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* This Concurrent Balance Value (CBV) Exhaust (per Pitot Duct Traverse) and Static Pressure must be used when sizing the HVAC exhaust & supply.
** This minimum exhaust static pressure for clean exhaust filter should not be used for exhaust fan sizing, and it is listed here for comparative purpose only.
*** Noise reading in open field condition / anechoic chamber.
**** Additional voltages may be available; contact Esco for ordering information.
***** Cabinet only, excludes optional stand.
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