



THERMAL IMAGING TO VISUALISE FUGITIVE
EMISSIONS

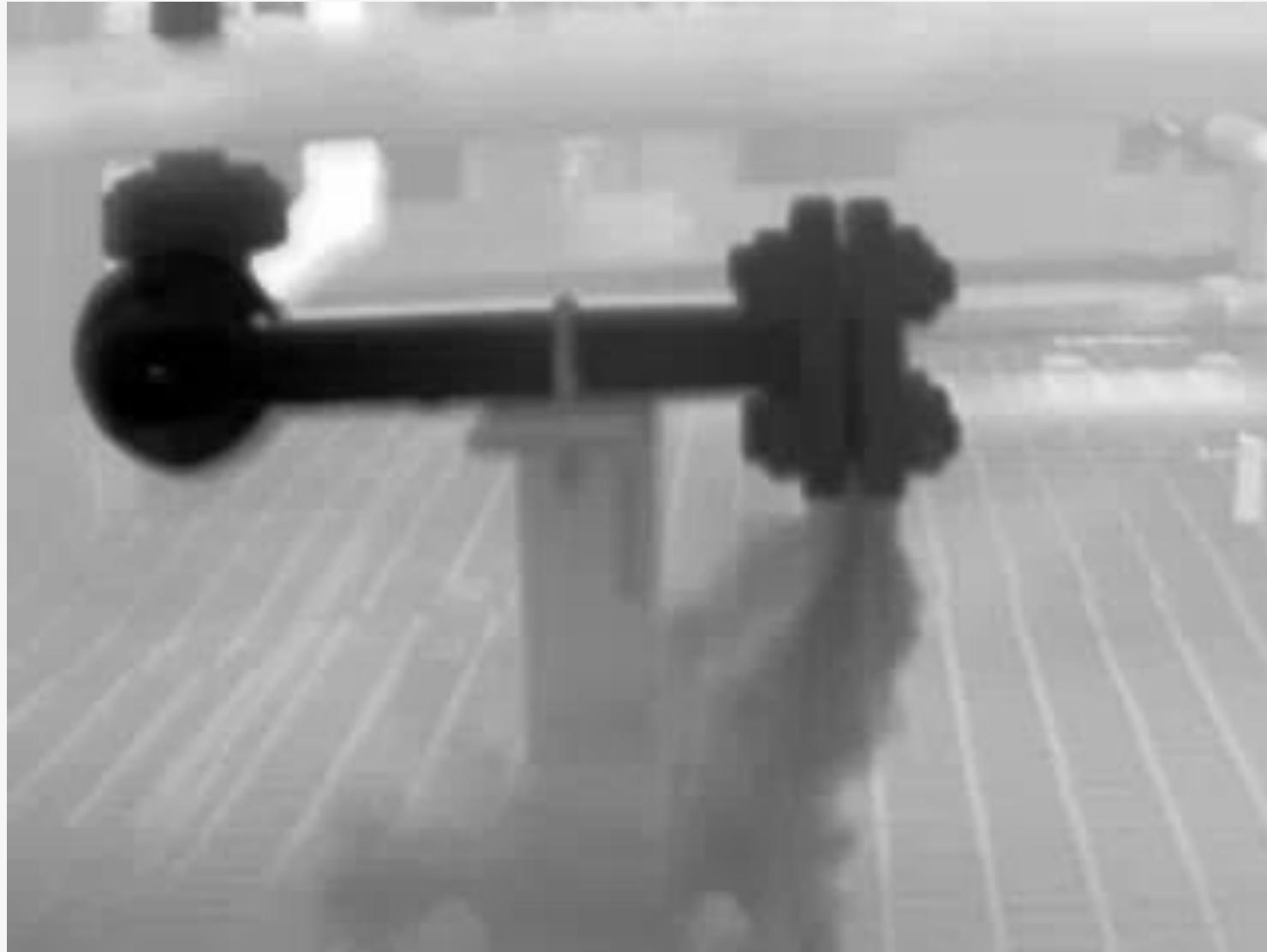
OPTICAL GAS IMAGING

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AGENDA

- What is Optical Gas Imaging (OGI)
- How does it work?
- Biogas Examples
- Evolution of OGI
- Training

WHAT IS OPTICAL GAS IMAGING?



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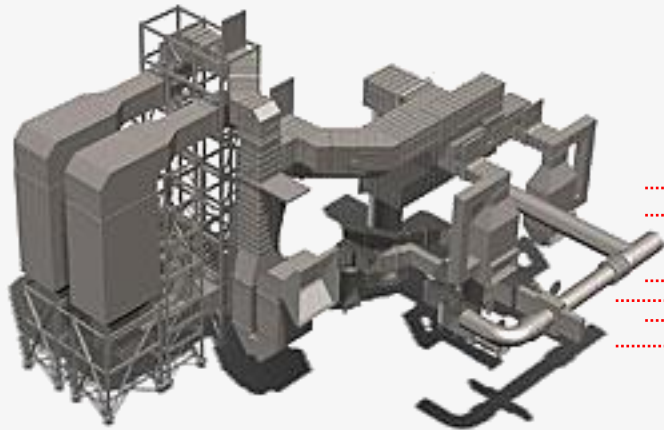


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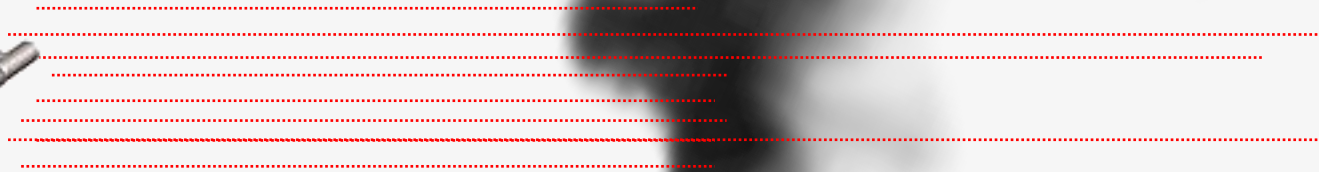
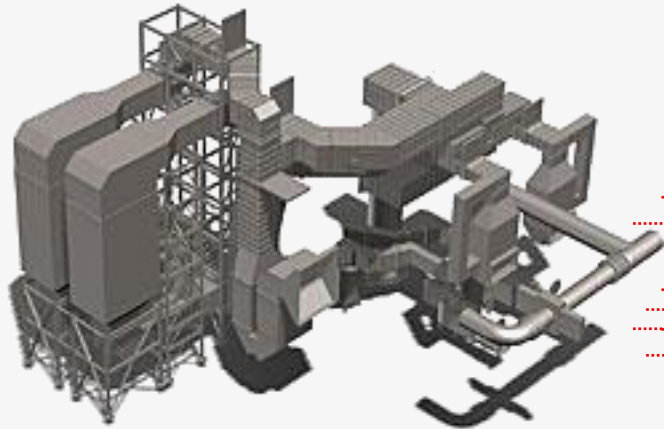
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- How does Optical Gas Imaging Work?

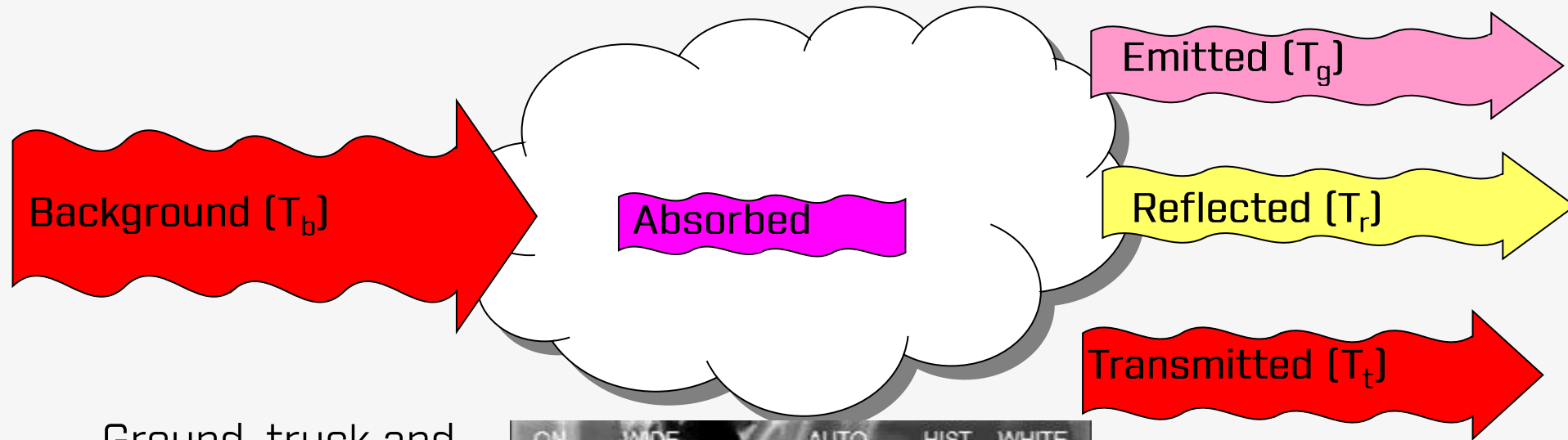
HOW DOES OPTICAL GAS IMAGING WORK?



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HOW DOES IT 'SEE'?



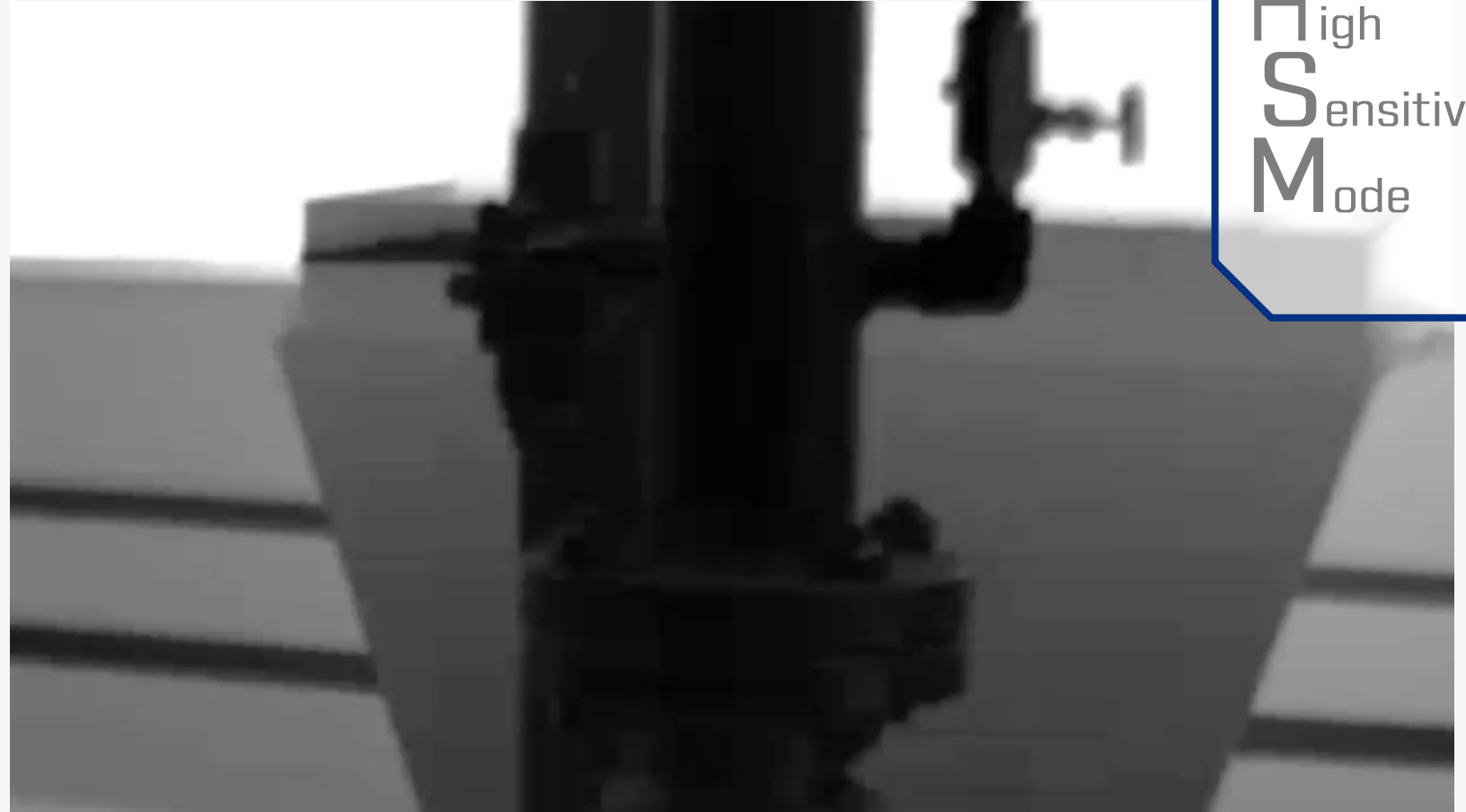
Ground, truck and person are the background

Gas "Cloud"



GAS MOVEMENT

- Greatly enhances gas visibility
- Real Time 'Frame Subtraction' technique
- Able to see leaks from a safer distance
- Proprietary to Teledyne FLIR GF Series



High
Sensitivity
Mode

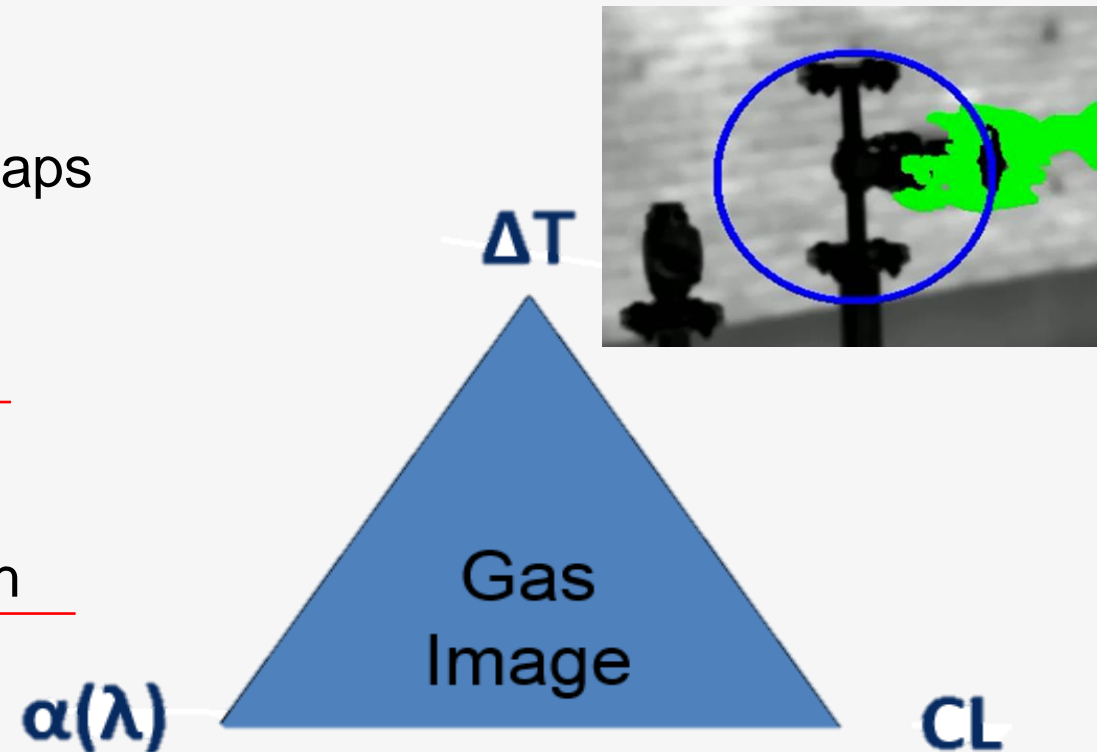
WHAT CAN INFLUENCE OGI?

- Gas Concentration Path Length
- Gas Flow Rate
- Gas Response Factor
- Ambient Temperature
- Gas/Background Delta Temperature
- Wind Speed
- Distance

THE OGI TRIANGLE

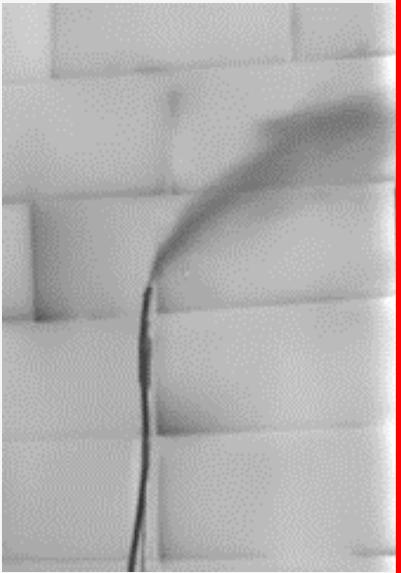
You need three things to image a gas with an infrared camera:

- 1) $\alpha(\lambda)$: The gas has IR absorption peak that overlaps with the spectral window of the OGI camera
- 2) ΔT : There is sufficient temperature differential between the gas plume and the background
- 3) CL: There is sufficient concentration path-length



OGI FACTORS

Good ΔT



Poor ΔT



ΔT between gas
and background

Propane
(RF = 1.00)

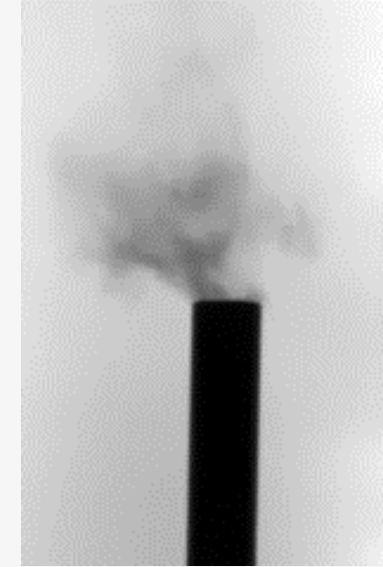


Methane
(RF = 0.297)

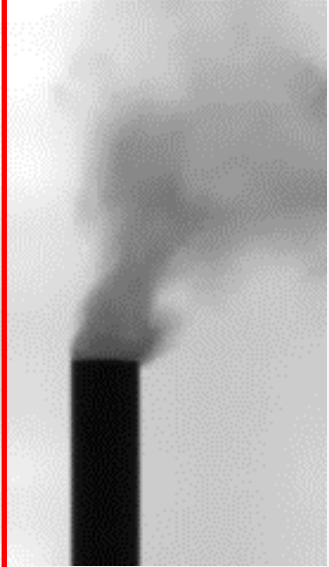


RF between different
compounds

Propane
(2 l/min)



Methane
(16 l/min)



Concentration path-
length

(this is what we want to measure)

WHAT IS THE SMALLEST LEAK I CAN SEE OVER A GIVEN DISTANCE?

- Testing was performed by the National Physical Laboratory (NPL), which confirmed the FLIR GFx320, GF320, GF300, and G300a optical gas imaging cameras are capable of imaging a gas that is **half methane/half propane** at a **Concentration of 10,000 ppm** at a flow rate of **≤60g/hr** from a quarter inch diameter orifice.
- With the potential to detect gases leaking at just **0.4 g/hr**, the GFx320 is verified to meet sensitivity standards defined in the US EPA's 0000a methane rule.

In Conclusion: Two FLIR GF320 optical gas imaging cameras (with the f=23mm and f=38mm lenses) were independently tested and have been demonstrated to be able to detect emissions according to the conditions set out in EPA's *NSPS 40 CFR part 60, subpart 0000a sensitivity standard for optical gas imaging equipment*. The tests showed that operators were able to detect the emission at ranges of 65.6 ft (at gas/background temperature differences greater than 13.5 °F and wind speeds up to 10 mph).

**Note: In these conditions 65.6 ft was the longest range at which the cameras were tested. However, some initial testing at 98.4 ft was done for lower temperature differences ($\Delta T < 4.5$ °F, low wind), which confirmed that gas detection at distances greater than 65.6 ft was possible.*



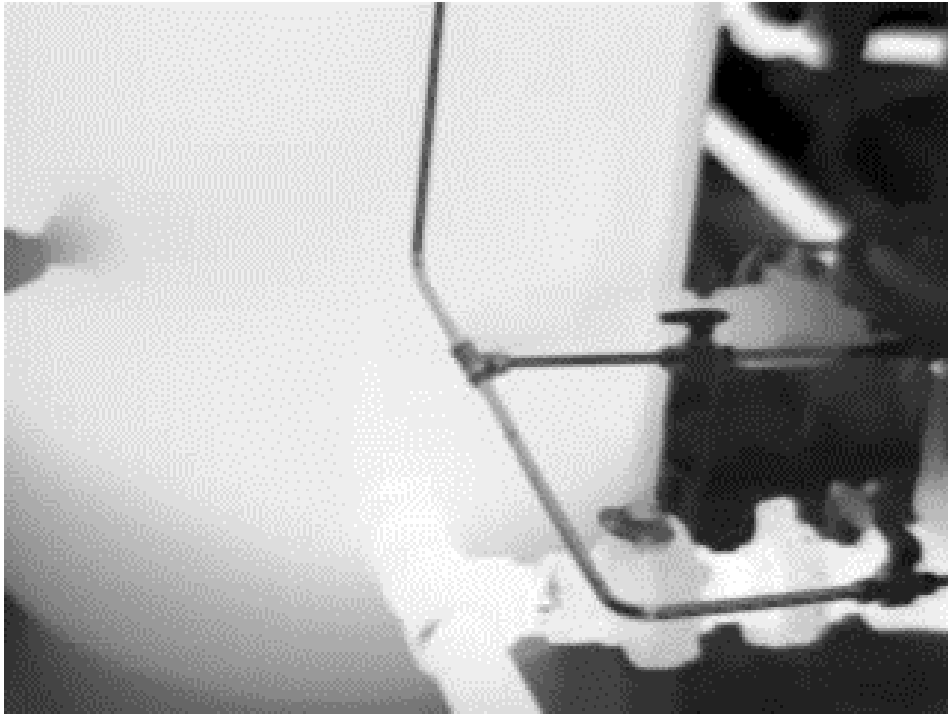
Uncooled vs Cooled OGI Comparison



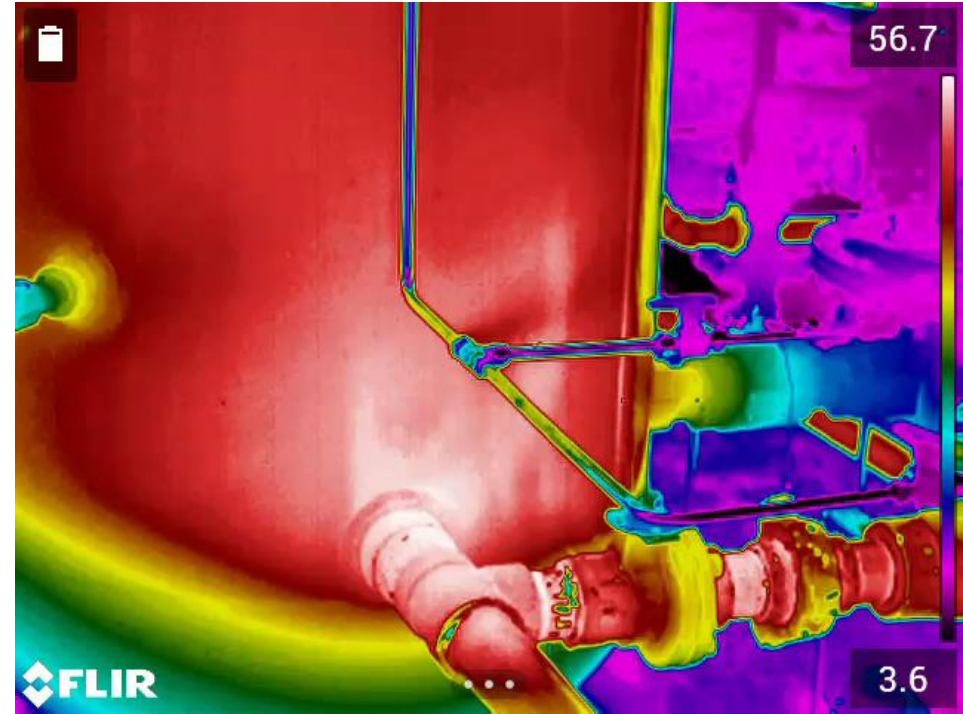
GF77 EXAMPLES (COMPARED TO GF3XX)

Fitting Leak in Natural Gas Industry

GFX320



GF77



GF77 EXAMPLES (COMPARED TO GF3XX)

Enardo Valve (~350 liters/minute)

GF320



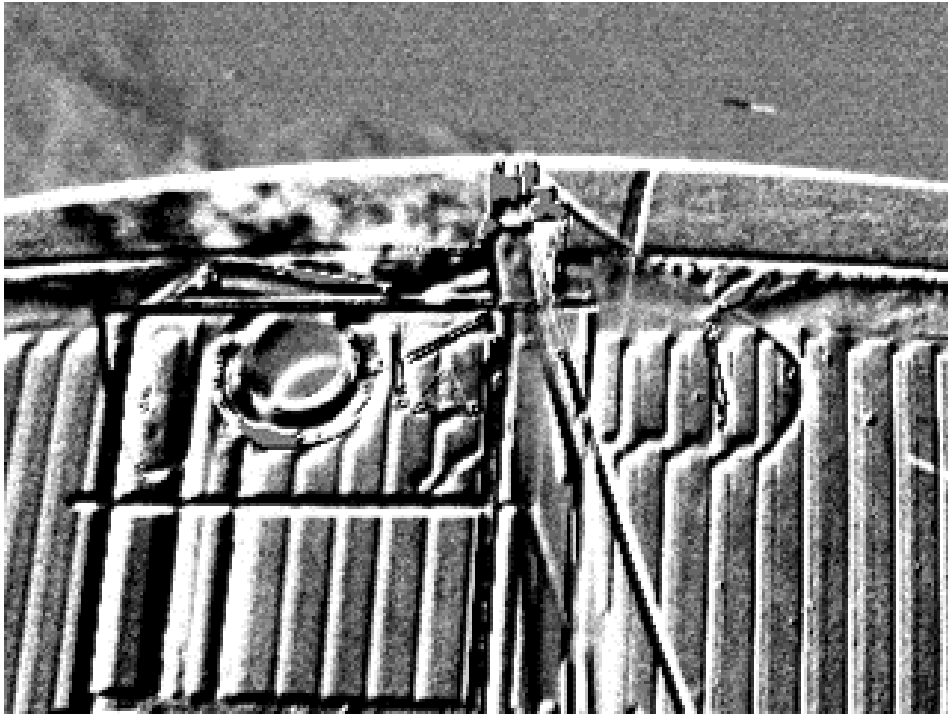
GF77



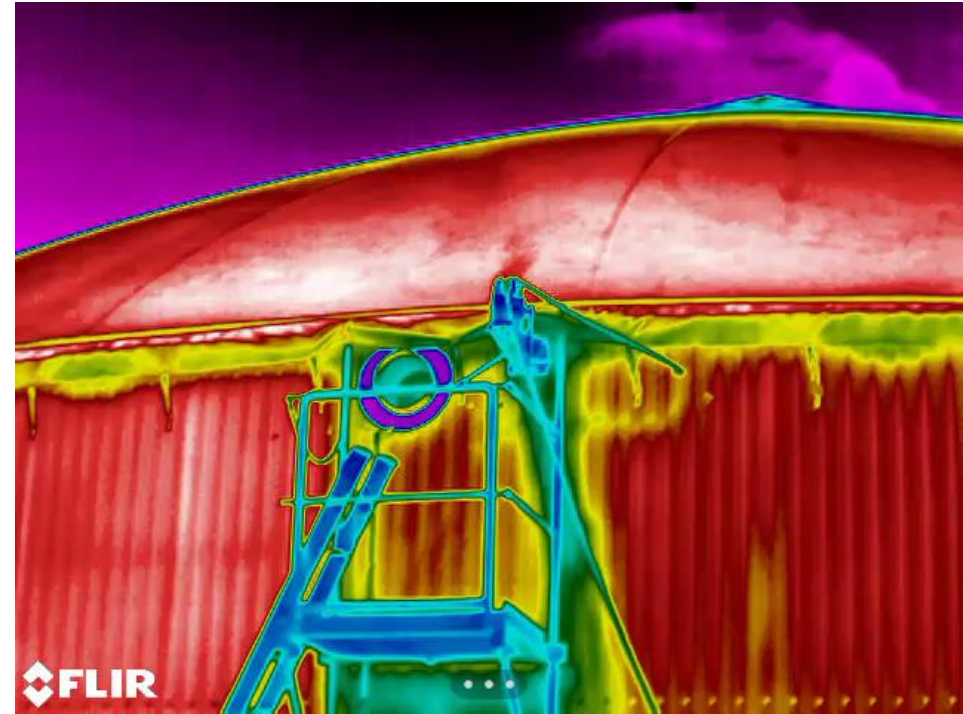
GF77 EXAMPLES (COMPARED TO GF3XX)

Leak on Digester (~33 liters/minute)

GF320 IN HSM



GF77-25 IN NORMAL



PERFORMANCE – A CLEAR DIFFERENTIATION



Camera	Cooled (320 x 240)	Cooled (640 x 480)	Uncooled
Hazardous Classification	ATEX Zone 2, Hazloc Class 1 Div 2	None	None
NETD (thermal sensitivity)	<15 mK	<20 mK	<100 mK
NECL (gas sensitivity)	10 ppm x m	25 ppm x m	100 ppm x m
MLLR (Methane)	0.6 g/h	0.6 g/h	2.7 g/h
Visualized gases	Over 400 gases	Over 400 gases	CH ₄ , N ₂ O, SO ₂
Quantification mode	Yes	Yes	No
Camera Cost	£85,773	£85,773	£24,995

visualized gases and hazardous locations classification.

WHAT GASES ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?



NOTE: This data is for reference only and should be confirmed by in-field testing or other means NOTE: Cameras gas detection sensitivity levels vary dependent on camera model			Can the FLIR GF Camera Model Visualize the Listed Gas and the theoretical sensitivity level (high/medium/low)?						
			Note: All uncooled GF Cameras have a maximum sensitivity of "medium"						
			YES						
			MAYBE (requires field testing)						
			NO (or Assumed No)						
			Cooled Cameras					Uncooled Cameras	
Gas	Chemical Name	Chemical Formula	GF320/GFx320	GF343	GF346	GF304	GF306	GF77-LR	GF77-HR
Ammonia	Ammonia	NH ₃					high		medium
Butane	Butane	C ₄ H ₁₀	high						
Carbon Dioxide	Carbon Dioxide	CO ₂		high					
Carbon Monoxide	Carbon Monoxide	CO			high				
Ethyl Alcohol	Ethanol	C ₂ H ₆ O	high			low		low	medium
Ethylene	Ethylene	C ₂ H ₄	medium				high		medium
Hydrocarbons	Multiple	C _x H _x	high			low			
Methane	Methane	CH ₄	high					medium	
Propane	Propane	C ₃ H ₈	high						
R22	Chlorodifluoromethane	CHClF ₂	medium					low	
R134A	1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane	C ₂ H ₂ F ₄				high	medium	high	low
R410A	R-32 / 125 (50% / 50%)	50% CH ₂ F ₂ • 50% C ₂ HF ₅				high		high	low
Sulfur Dioxide	Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂						high	
Sulfur Hexafluoride	Sulfur Hexafluoride	SF ₆					high		medium

• Evolution of OGI Technology

QUANTITATIVE OPTICAL GAS IMAGING (QOGI)

- By using QL320 in conjunction with a FLIR GF cooled camera, users can measure mass leak rates (lb./h or g/h) or volumetric leak rates (cc/min or L/min) for most hydrocarbons. The QL320 can be used at a variety of distances, so operators can monitor hard to reach areas and storage tanks as well as survey massive leaks from a safe location.



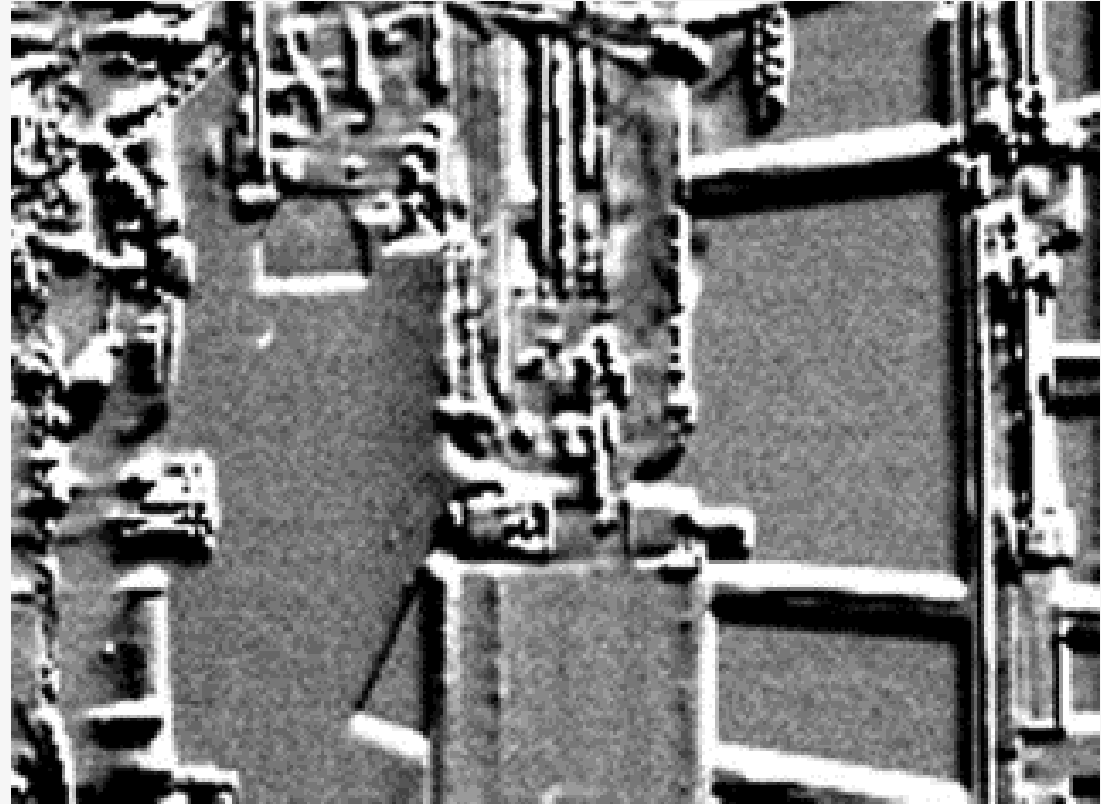
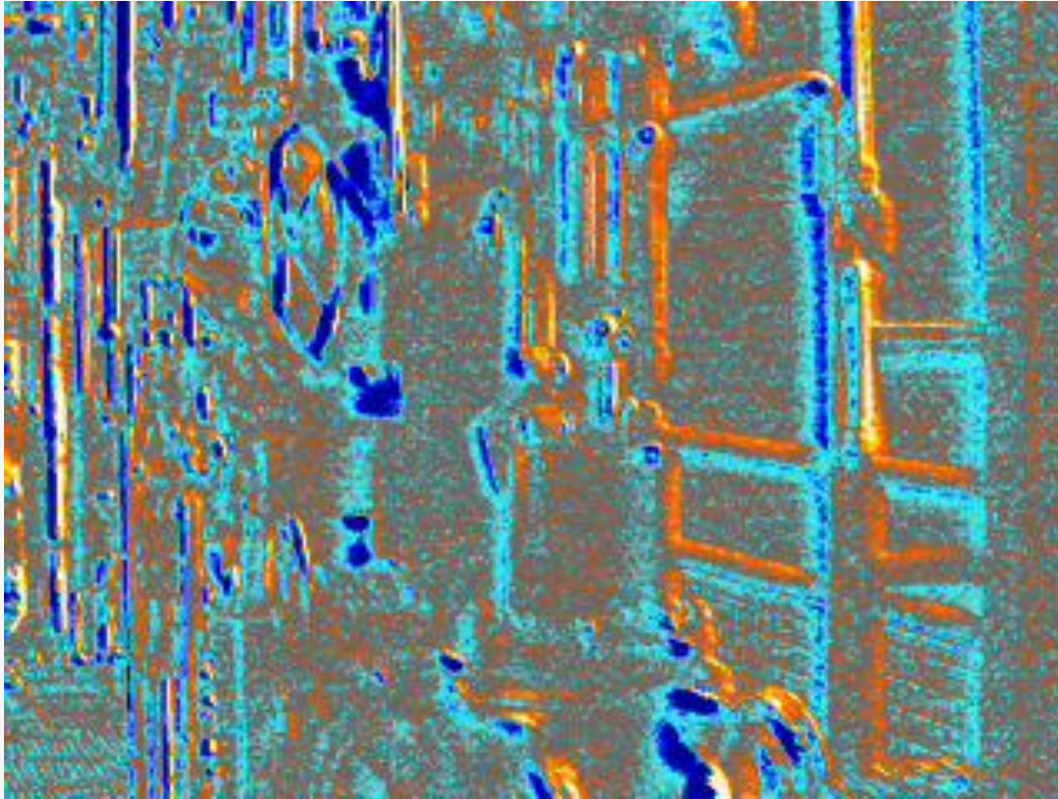
SUCCESSFUL DEPLOYMENT OF OGI

- OGI Camera Operation/support
- Training (including offshore)
- Consultancy
- Application Support



-all offered locally through dedicated partners.

UNTRAINED V'S TRAINED



REFERENCE MATERIAL

- Application Stories
- Technical Working notes
- Videos

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