Autoclave



An autoclave is a sterilization device that uses high-pressure saturated steam to kill microorganisms, including bacteria, viruses, and spores, on laboratory equipment, media, and waste.

Key Features:

1. Sterilization Process:

- o Operates at high temperatures (typically 121°C or 134°C) and pressure (15 psi) for effective sterilization.
- o Cycle times vary based on the load and material.

2. Applications:

- o Sterilizing surgical instruments, glassware, and lab equipment.
- Decontaminating biohazardous waste.
- o Preparing culture media and reagents.

3. Design:

- o Made of durable materials like stainless steel.
- o Available in various sizes (benchtop to large capacity).

4. Safety Features:

- o Pressure and temperature sensors for safe operation.
- o Automatic shut-off and locking mechanisms.