

## **collector**

*in atmospheric chemistry*

A device for removing and retaining contaminants from air or other gases; a term which is often applied to cleaning devices in exhaust systems. Also used to designate a device for removing and retaining samples from media in different environmental compartments to be investigated. A collector is sometimes used to describe a scavenger.

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