# Want to SEE your Nano particles in the dark



#### # Nano to Micro

With an original and ergonomic product design, VASCO is a portable instrument dedicated to lab and field applications.

# VASCO

Nano to Micro Particle Size Measurements in Dark and Concentrated Suspensions



Based on a patented innovative technology developed in collaboration with the French Institute of Petroleum (IFP), the VASCO particle size analyzer is a unique instrument for nano to micro particle size measurements in suspensions. The measurement principle is based on Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS) of back-scattered light.

CORDOUAN **TECHNOLOGIES** offers an original optical configuration that combines back-scattered light detection and the capability to control the sample thickness. Compared conventional analyzers, configuration avoids multiple scattering and allows accurate measurements even in concentrated and dark dispersions. Moreover, in most cases no sample dilution is necessary which makes measurements almost instantaneous.

The granulometer VASCO can also performs on-line measurements of concentrated samples and provides real-time analysis of particle size in a pipeline or a reactor without stop flow.



## particle size analyzer







Patented innovative technology No consumable part Easy cleaning procedure

ISO 13321 / 21CFR part 11 Intuitive software nanoQ® Size distibution display





On-line measurement option Kinetic of aggregation Portable instrument (<12 kg)

#### **Applications**

- Food Industry: milk, chocolate, coffee, beer, emulsions...
- Pharmaceutical: suspensions, powders, syrups, injectables, microcapsules...
- **Chemicals:** polymers, dispersants, pesticides
- Environmental: tap water, waste water, flocculation, membrane filtration...
- Cosmetic: perfumes, creams, emulsions...
- Petrochemical: fuel, crude oils, bitumen additives...
- **Pigments :** inks, toners, paints, varnishes...











### particle size analyzer

#### **PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:**

#### Description

Particle size range (nm) Sample concentration range (% volume)(1) Photon counting unit Sample setting temperature

Laser diode characteristics

**Applications** 

On-line measurement option

#### VASCO-1

10 to 6000 0.01% to 40% PMT(2) Fixed at 20 °C Temperature stabilized 658 nm/15 mW option: 532 nm/30 mW Ink, bitumen, metallic oxide dispersions, emulsions, etc... No

#### VASCO-2

2 to 6000 0.001% to 40% PMT(2)  $+ 15 \text{ to } + 90 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ Temperature stabilized 658 nm/65 mW option: 532 nm/30 mW Ink, polymers, metallic oxide nanoparticles, emulsions, etc... Yes

#### VASCO-3

0.5 to 6000 0.0001% to 40% APD(3) + 15 to + 90 °C Temperature stabilized 658 nm/65 mW option: 532 nm/30 mW Ink, polymers, metallic oxide nanoparticles, micellar dispersions, etc... Yes

#### General characteristics

Reproducibility / Repeatability Analysis Software

Measurement time (typical) Sample volume Ambient temperature Warm up time (cold start) Solvent(4)

Dimensions (HxWxD) Power supply Power consumption Instrument configuration Operating System Normalisation

Laser safety classification Computer configuration(5)

Accessories

Computer Interface

Better than 5%

nanoQ® performs multi-acquisitions, size distribution simulation, kinetic size of aggregation monitoring, features Cumulants, Contin and unique Padé-Laplace inversion algorithms.

30 sec to 5 min depending on sample and measurement settings (programmable)  $< 50 \,\mu L$ 

+15 to +30 °C

< 5 min

Aqueous and organic solvents

30 x 33 x 28 cm 110/220 V in standard

< 50 W

Bench top (< 12 Kg) Windows 2000, XP, Vista, 7

CE marked product, CFR 21 part 11, ISO 13321 compliant

Class I compliant EN 60825-1/A2 Pentium III or equivalent, RAM 512 Mo

Power supply and USB cable, nanoQ® installation CD ROM,

Pelicase<sup>tm</sup> transport case

USB 2

(1): maximum concentration value is limited by particle interactions

(2): photomultiplier tube (3): avalanche photodiode (4): solvent proof cell

(5): minimal expected configuration for optimal operation



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