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THE MOST VERSATILE NANOPARTICLE SIZE ANALYZER

	DTC head	« In situ » head	Thermalized Head	Custom head
Measurement principle		Optical Fiber Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS)		
<b>HARDWARE SPECIFICATIONS (central unit)</b>				
Temperature Monitoring	Yes	Yes + Customer sensor interfacing	Yes	Yes + Customer sensor interfacing
Temperature Range (°C)	15°C - 70°C (option 90°C)	Customer range	5°C - 80°C	Customer range
Min. Sample Volume (µL)		<50µL (cell dependant)		
Sample Cells	Built-in (patented)	In situ	Standard cell*	Custom
Solvent compatibility	Aqueous & Organic solvents		All solvents	
Scattering Angle (°)	135°	170°	170°	Custom
Particle size range		0.5 nm – 10 µm (sample dependant)		
Concentration range	10 <sup>-4</sup> % to 40% volume	10 <sup>-5</sup> % to 5~10% volume (sample dependant)		
Head's weight	3.5 kg	< 0.5 kg	0.5 kg	Custom
Head's dimensions	110 x 185 x 250 mm (HWD)	50 x 25 x 120 mm (HWD)	100 x 90 x 235 mm (HWD)	Custom
Options & accessories	Online measurement	Thermalized cell (10-70°C)	-	-

<b>HARDWARE SPECIFICATIONS (central unit)</b>	
Laser source	High stability laser diode – 65 mW @658 nm (option @488 and @532 nm)
Detector	High sensitivity-low noise Photon counting Avalanche Photodiode (APD)
Data processing	Proprietary hardware correlator and algorithm software : <b>NanoQ®</b>
Accuracy	+/-5% (depending on measurement time)
Calibration	Calibration free. NIST Certified latex suspension available (option) for regular check
Measurement time (typ)	20 sec to 5 min depending on sample and measurement settings
Operating conditions / Storage conditions	15°C to 40°C / -10°C to 50°C – Relative humidity < 70% non condensing
Computer interface / OS	USB 2.0 / Windows XP,7 or 8 – 32 or 64-bits
Dimensions / Weight	Central unit: 132 x 342 x 271 mm / <12 kg

<b>SYSTEM COMPLIANCE</b>	
CE certification	CE marked product - Class 1 laser product – EN-60825-1: 2001, CDRH
Computer interface	ISO 13321 (1996) & ISO 22412 (2008) compliant, CFR 21 part 11 (option)

<b>ACCESSORIES &amp; SERVICES</b>	
	1 year warranty, on site installation and training, online support
	<b>NanoQ®</b> installation CDROM & Instruction manual
	Pelicans™ transportation case (option) <a href="http://www.ybc-agency.eu/img/twitter-icon.png">http://www.ybc-agency.eu/img/twitter-icon.png</a>
	NIST Certified latex suspension kit (option)

*When no solution exists, we do it !*



**“In various situations, VASCO Flex helps you finding out your nanoparticle size distribution.”**

## IDEAL FOR

- Real time nanoparticle growth process monitoring
- In situ measurement (inside reactor)
- Measurement in confine environment (ex glove box)
- Coupling particle size measurements with other instruments (SAXS, spectroscopy, etc)

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\*Cell : disposable cell, glass cell, micro-cell, flow cell ...

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- Unique concept of DLS technology
- In Situ measurements
- Flexible for process monitoring

### Applications areas



Manufacturing & Control of Polymers



Pharmaceutical Industry & Cosmetics



Petrochemical Industry



Paints, Inks & Pigments

### The VASCO Flex's concept

VASCO Flex™ is :

- A unique and flexible nanoparticle size analyzer based on **Optical Fiber Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS)**
- Four optimized **Optical Fiber Remote Heads**
- A central unit with core hardware (laser, photodiode, correlator, temperature regulation, ...)



4 heads available

A compact and robust system for contactless and in situ particle size measurements.

### Advanced data analysis

VASCO Flex™ system is powered by the proprietary **NanoQ 2.0** software featuring :

- Advanced Pade Laplace inversion algorithm for multimodal analysis;
- Multiple acquisition for size kinetics monitoring and statistical analysis
- Device settings wizard for measurement optimization
- **User-friendly** graphical & intuitive interface



### “In situ” head



**Ideal for :**

- In situ measurement
- Harsh environment, high pressure and/or temperature
- Industrial process control

**Key benefits :**

- Non-intrusive measurement
- Monitoring / Study of kinetic or growth of NP
- Small footprint, easy to align

### Dual Thickness Controller (DTC) head



**Ideal for :**

- Highly concentrated sample
- Measurement in limited space environment

**Key benefits :**

- Small footprint, plug and play
- Artefact free
- Extended concentration range
- No consumables

### Thermalized head



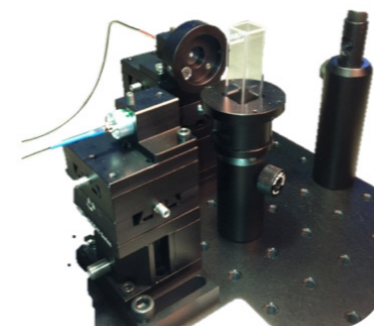
**Ideal for :**

- Batch measurement with a temperature regulated cell
- Measurement in limited space environment

**Key benefits :**

- No risk of cross-contamination
- Compliant with organic solvent
- Small footprint, plug and play

### Custom head



**Ideal for :**

- Measurement in user-defined conditions (limited access, wavelength, NP size dispersion, long haul remote sensing)
- Coupling with users set up

**Key benefits :**

- Complete adaptation to customers' requirements
- Reconfigurable

### Examples of application



Reactor



Glove box



SAXS