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Time-Correlated Single Photon Counting (TCSPC) Fluorescence Lifetime System

DeltaFlex<sup>™</sup> Lifetime System ELEMENTAL ANALYSIS

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GRATINGS & OEM SPECTROMETERS

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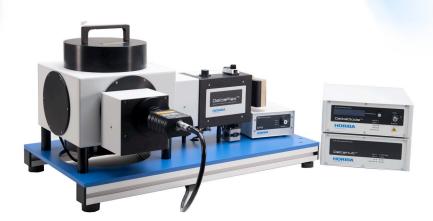
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SPECTROSCOPIC ELLIPSOMETRY

**SPR IMAGING** 

Fast... short lifetimes in just one millisecond\*
Sensitive... single-photon counting detection
Accurate... no recalibration of timing circuits
Flexible... lifetimes from 25 ps to 1 second\*
Modular... easily reconfigured
Convenient... single USB connection to PC



The DeltaFlex is a research-grade, modular system in our next generation of time-correlated single-photon counting (TCSPC) lifetime instrumentation. The heart of the system is the new DeltaHub timing electronics, with nearly lossless photon counting and ultra-short deadtime of 10 ns. This enables both fast and efficient acquisition of lifetime data when coupled with our high-repetition-rate laser-diode sources and high-speed detectors<sup>†</sup>.

DeltaFlex has motorized optics and an emission monochromator as standard. This system uses our interchangeable range of DeltaDiode excitation sources and detection via our Picosecond Photon Detection (PPD) module (PPD-650). The PPD can be upgraded to red-extended versions. NIR-upgrade packages are also available extending beyond 900 nm.

<sup>†</sup>See our publication in Meas. Sci. Tech. **22**(2011), 067001.

Feature	Spectroscopy Benefits		
Fast acquisition of lifetimes	Collect lifetimes in as little as 1 millisecond		
Wide temporal range	Measure fluorescence and phosphorescence with one instrument		
F-link spectrometer interface	Easy plug-and-play reconfiguration according to experimental need		
Modular	Spectral range up to 1700 nm, TRES, simultaneous anisotropy		
Photon-counting sensitivity	Finally, the unrivalled sensitivity of TCSPC with fast acquisition via other techniques  JOBIN YVON Technology		

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# Specifications\*

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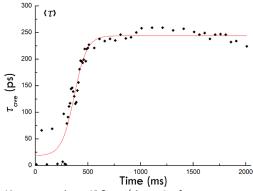
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Minimum lifetime	25 ps with laser-diode source*		SPECTROSCOPIC ELLIPSOMET	
Shortest acquisition time	1 millisecond*		SPR IMAGING	
Diode controller	DeltaDiode-C1, SpectraLED	off madica.		
Repetition rates	10 kHz–100 MHz with DeltaDiode*; 0.1 Hz–10 kHz with SpectraLED			
Prompt FWHM	<200 ps FWHM with laser diode (405 nm)			
Dead time	10 ns			
Time ranges	10 ns-11 s			
Wavelength selection	Emission monochromator 200–800 nm standard; 300–1200 nm and 400–1600 nm optional Excitation and second emission monochromators also available			
Detector options	PPD modules PPD-650: 250–650 nm (standard) PPD-850: 250–850 nm optional PPD-900: 300–900 nm optional	Near-IR options H10330 series 950–1200/1400/1700 nm R5509 series 300–1400/1700 nm NIR detectors may be mounted to emission monochromator simultaneously as PPD	MCP-PMT options See FluoroCube UltraFast series	
Automation	Standard: Lenses, sample stirrer, monochromator (wavelength and slits), diode controllers.  Optional: Polarizers, sample turret, sample temperature.			
PC interface	USB 2.0. PC not included. Requires Windows® XP or Windows® 7, 32/64-bit English language ver.			
System footprint	75 cm × 55 cm nominal excluding PC (DeltaFlex-01)			

\*Dependent on sample and system configuration

## **Applications**

- FRET (Förster Resonance Energy Transfer)
- Stern-Volmer quenching
- Lanthanide luminescence
- Time-resolved fluorescence and phosphorescence anisotropy
- Protein fluorescence
- Solar-cell analysis
- Singlet-oxygen measurements
- Materials research
- Photophysical research
- Binding studies



Kinetic analysis (10 ms/decay) of a curcuminoid binding to serum albumin, monitored by change in curcuminoid lifetime

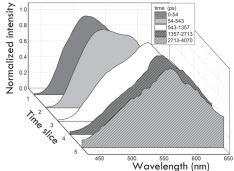
## Options and accessories

- Sample holders for solid samples
- Microsense for small volumes
- Diode heads: see www.picocomponents.com

### Measurement modes

- Lifetime: Measure 25 ps to 1 second
- Kinetic TCSPC: 1 to 10 000 decays measured sequentially in 1 ms to 1 min per decay
- Anisotropy: Reconvolution analysis to resolve shorter rotational correlation times
- Time-Resolved Emission Spectra (TRES): Collect up to 100 wavelength-dependent decays





TRES analysis of curcumin emission in serum albumin

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