Advanced Photoconducting Drum Test System

PDT®-2000LTM



The PDT-2000LTM is an advanced drum test system for characterization of photoreceptors used in electrophotographic printers and copiers. Designed primarily for drum testing, the system can also be used for sheet sample testing by wrapping the test sample around a bare drum. The PDT-2000LTM is typically used in production quality control and in research and development.

Overview

A standard PDT-2000LTM system consists of a light-tight scanner, an electrostatic voltmeter, an external exposure light source with fiberoptic light guide, an LED erase light source, and a light meter. The scanner supports a wide variety of drum types and sizes. The computer-controlled tungsten halogen light source is equipped with band-pass filters for wavelength selection. The control software runs on a PC with Microsoft Windows 7 or higher operating system and a minimum of two USB2.0 ports.

PDT-2000LTM test functions are software-controlled. Key test parameters, such as charging level, exposure energy, erase intensity, scan type, and scanning speed, are specified by the user. In a typical test session, the operator loads a drum into the scanner, selects the test to be run, sets the test parameters, and activates the test with the control software. The system performs the scan, gives a pass/fail reading based on user-specified parameters, and reports the results. The scan data are saved for further review and analysis and can be exported to other software.

Built-in Test Functions

- Charge acceptance scans
- Photo-discharge scans
- Dark decay measurement
- Cyclic fatigue tests
- Photo-induced discharge curve (PIDC)
- Erase residual measurement
- Axial scans
- Single and multiple track scans

- Charge and discharge uniformity mapping
- Defect mapping

Typical Applications

- Photoreceptor manufacturing quality control
- Materials research and development
- Acceptance testing



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System Specifications*

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System Hardware

Drum Charging

- Corona charging system
- Negative corona standard, positive corona optional **Exposure Light Source**
- Tungsten halogen light source
- One interference filter (typically 780 nm) and one neutral density filter (typically 10%) supplied with system; others available as options
- Interference filters available between 400 and 1000 nm (approximate 50 nm increments)
- Exposure on/off controlled by an electromechanical shutter; minimum pulse duration less than 0.1 second
- Computer-controlled aperture for setting exposure intensity; maximum exposure energy approximately 2μ J/cm² at 780 nm wavelength and a scan speed of 400mm/s
- Light meter provided to monitor exposure intensity online

Erasure Light Source

- Erasure light source is a bank of red LEDs
- Maximum erasure energy typically 25µJ/cm²

Voltage and Current Measurement

- System is equipped with a non-contact electrostatic probe for monitoring drum voltage
- Charging current measurement is built in

Drum Dimensions

- Maximum drum length 360 mm
- Maximum drum diameter 60 mm

Scan Speed

• Maximum linear speed ~400mm/s

Control Software

• EPLab[®] control software provides all measurement, data acquisition, and data analysis functions, including basic statistical functions (minimum, maximum, and mean voltages and standard deviation)

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Computer Configuration (customer-supplied)

- Operating system: Windows[®] 7 to 10, 64-bit
- RAM: 8 GB or more
- Microsoft Excel 2007 or higher
- CD-ROM drive
- Two USB 2.0 ports

Electrical Requirements

• 110 volts±10% @ 50/60 Hz or 230 volts±10% @ 50 Hz

Maintenance and Operating Environment

- Requires good maintenance practices typical for laboratory equipment
- Temperature
 - Operating: 10^o to 32^o C (50^o to 90^o F)
 - Storage: 0º to 35º C (32º to 95º F)
- Relative humidity
 - Operating: 20% to 80%
 - Storage: 10% to 95% (non-condensing)

Dimensions and Shipping Weight

- Main unit: 25x51x74 cm (10"x20"x29")
- Packaged dimensions (2 packages): 64x84x38 cm (25"x33"x15") and 74x76x41 cm (29"x30"x16")
- Total shipping weight (2 packages): 45 kg (98 lb)

Documentation

User's guide