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Sample Applications

Geology

Soil, clay, sand, kaolin.

Environmental

Ocean water, tap water, waste water, dust, membrane filtration, flocculation.

Pharma / Bio-tech

Powders, suspensions, syrups, emulsions, pastes, microcarriers, injectable solutions, collagen, microcapsules, drug powders.

Chemicals

Pesticides, dispersants, catalysts, resins, emulsions, preservatives.

Ceramics and Metals

Alumina, silica, magnetic powders, tungsten, sintered products, stainless steel, strontium, cobalt.

Energy

Coal, fuels, slurries, shale-oil emulsions, fly ash.

Food Products

Emulsions, fine powders, beer, coffee, chocolate, ground products, agglomerated crystals, flour, peanut butter, cornflakes.

Heavy Industry

Polymers, oil droplets, wear particles, chalk, fillers, toners, pulp & paper, coatings, pigments, PVC, paint.

Life Science

Bacteria, smears, yeast, inhalation toxicology, cell research, algae growth, blood analysis.

Specifications

Measured parameters Particle size range Concentration range Particle presentation phases System dimensions & weight Electricity Laser

Laser resolution Illumination

Video camera

Software

ISO Compliancy Modular measurement cells

Accessories

Particle size, shape and concentration 0.1-3600 µm Up to 109 particles/cc (for 1µ particles) Liquid borne, airborne, on a surface 665L x 280W x 183H (mm); 14 Kg. 100-130V, 205-240V, 50/60Hz, 100VA 2mW HeNe, 632.8 nm, Silicon PIN Photodiode Detector 0.33% of full scale, up to 0.2 µm Synchronized strobe light, adjustable intensity & duration, flash rate up to 30 frames/ second High resolution B&W CCD camera, NTSC 640x840 pixels, PAL 768x572 pixels Windows XP operating system, automatic reporting, FDA 21 CFR 11 compliant Compliant to numerous ISO-methods Liquids, emulsions & opaque liquids, dry powders, fibers, magnetic particles, heated liquids, and aerosols Automatic liquid flow controller, powder disperser, powder feeder, temperature

controller, aerosol controller

EyeTech Model:	Size Analysis	Concentration	Vision	DIA	Freedom of Algorithms
Laser	√	√			
Vision	✓	√	√		
Comb	√	√	√	√	
Research	√	√	✓	V	√
Microscopy			√	√	
Fiber			√	√	

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Particle Size Analysis Dynamic Image Analysis Concentration Measurement









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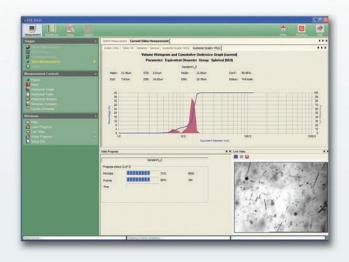
The Ultimate Particle Analyser!



EyeTech Concept:

- Best of both worlds:
- Fast and accurate Particle Size Analysis with the unique Laser Obscuration Time technique.
- Accurate description of non spherical materials with sophisticated Dynamic Image Analysis.
- The measurement relates solely and directly to the particle size
- Results are independent of physical or optical properties of the particles or medium

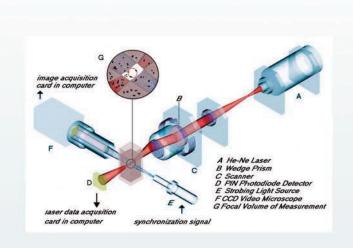
User Friendly InterFace



Advanced Data Output:

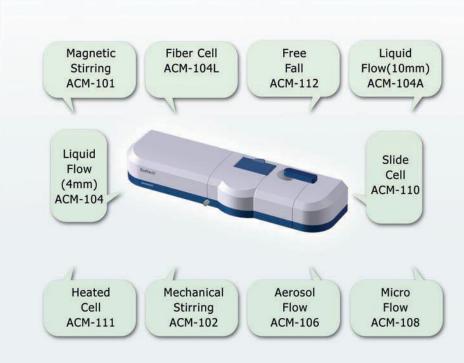
- Automated custom report generation
- Customized real-time graphs and tables
- Reprocessing of stored images
- Multiple user levels
- Setup Wizard for easy start-up
- 21 CFR Part 11 compliant

Combined Laser and Video Channel



- Unique combination of technologies based on Laser Obscuration Time and sophisticated Dynamic Shape Analysis.
- Accurate analysis and characterisation of spherical, non-spherical and elongated particles.
- Simultaneous results of Particle
 Size, Concentration and Shape.
- Modular design for a range of dry and wet applications.
- Real-time visualisation of the sample during operation

EyeTech Measurement Cells & Accessories



A range of accessories is available to adapt the EyeTech to any application. The materials are analysed closest to their original state, rather than adapting the nature of the sample to the instrument.

Sample Presentation:

- WET
- DRY
- SURFACE
- AIRBORN





LASER OBSCURATION TIME

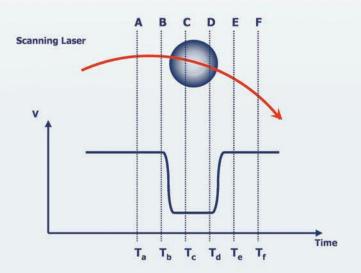
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Measurement Principle

A unique time domain measurement called Laser Obscuration Time (LOT) is used by the EyeTech. A rotating laser beam scans individual particles in the sample zone. As the particles are encountered, the laser beam is obscured and interaction signals are generated. These interaction signals are detected by a photodiode. Since the laser beam rotates with a constant speed, the duration of the obscuration provides a direct size measurement of each particle.

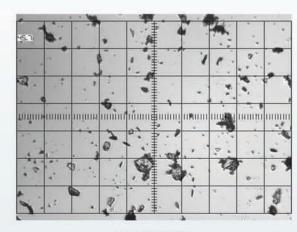
Measurement of Single Particles

Sophisticated Analysis Algorithms

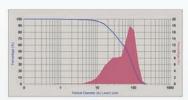


To measure particle size distribution accurately, the EyeTech records on-center and in-focus interactions only. This is achieved by filtering the shape of the Pulse Profile via sophisticated algorithms. When a particle is hit by the laser beam straight on, the slope of the Pulse Profile approaches an angle of 90 degrees, resulting in short pulse transitions. In off-centre or out-of-focus hits, the angle between the laser path and the particle boundary is significantly less than 90 degrees. Consequently, the rise and fall times of these interactions are longer and the derivative signals of the pulse transition are wider have smaller amplitude and can therefore be easily discarded. One benefit of the Laser Obscuration Time principle is that there is no assumption of particle's sphericity. Furthermore, the particle size measurement is solely based on the length of the cord crossed by the laser, regardless the shape of the particle, thus guaranteeing a true measurement of particle diameter without assumptions.

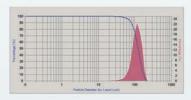
Multiple Dimensions Data Display



Sample Image

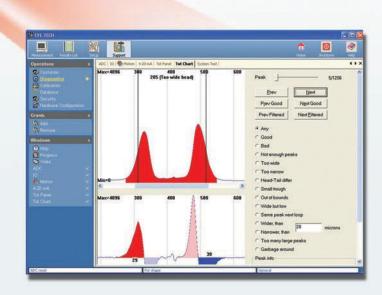


Number Size Distribution



Volume Size Distribution

Obscuration by Laser-Particle Interaction



- Data is collected on single particles
- Direct measurement of true particle size
- Wide range with high resolution
- Independent of optical or other properties
- Particle size and concentration measurement
- No need for alignment or calibration
- Broad concentration range.
 Higher but also lower concentrations than laser diffraction and electrical zone sensing technologies.

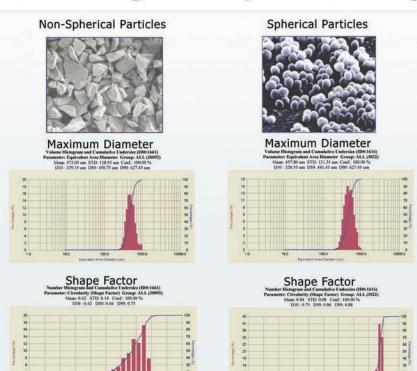




DYNAMIC IMAGE ANALYSIS

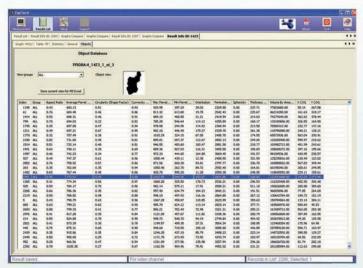
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Advantages of Dymamic Image Analysis



For accurate characterisation of non-spherical particles, two-dimensional shape information is essential. Differences in shape may not be reflected in the particle size distribution. Dynamic Image Analysis uses digital video microscopy to capture optimal particle images for processing. Acquired images are processed using sophisticated image analysis procedures and/or are stored for later processing.

Object Database



- Detailed Object Information is available for each and every measured particle including its image by a mouse click.
- No limitation for the number of particles.
- Easy export of the information to Excel for further processing of the data.

Imaging Software Features

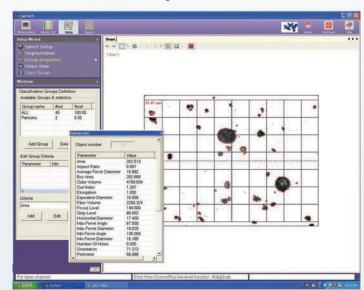
- Particles are visualised throughout the measurement.
- No assumption of particle sphericity is required.
- Reprocessing of previously stored images and videos is possible.



- Grouping or filtering of particles based on size or shape
- Multiple parameters for accurate description of non-spherical materials
- Fibre analysis module
- Validation tool minimizes uncertainty related to sample preparation

The Next Generation in Particle Sizing

Validate your results



- Microscopic precision in a dynamic system
- Storage of real raw data
- Powerfull pre-processing tools for high quality image analysis
- Accuracy for non-spherical particles
- Over 40 ISO compliant shape parameters offered



