



PARTICLE SIZE



PARTICLE CONCENTRATION



FLUORESCENCE DETECTION

## NANO**SIGHT** RANGE

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# VISUALIZE AND MEASURE NANOPARTICLE SIZE AND CONCENTRATION

The NanoSight series of instruments uses Nanoparticle Tracking Analysis (NTA) to characterize nanoparticles from 10 nm - 2000 nm\* in solution. Each particle is individually but simultaneously analyzed by direct observations of diffusion. This particle-by-particle methodology produces high resolution results for particle size distribution and concentration, while visual validation gives users extra confidence in their data.

In addition to particle size and concentration analysis, NanoSight instruments enable characterization of aggregation state, and also the detection of labeled particles when using the fluorescence mode.

#### Key benefits of a NanoSight system

- Simultaneous measurement of multiple characteristics, saving on time and sample quantities
- Visual validation of results gives extra confidence
- User-friendly software with easy set-up of SOPs for routine use
- Minimal sample preparation
- The option of automated multiple sample analysis when used with a syringe pump or autosampler
- Multiple options on each instrument provide exceptional versatility and choice
- Minimal consumables reduce running costs on a day-to-day basis
- High resolution particle sizing technique, ideal for polydisperse systems
- Number-based size distribution data, aligned with the European Commission's recommendation on the Definition of a Nanomaterial

### **Applications**

- Development of drug delivery systems
- Viral vaccine research
- Nanotoxicology and biomarker detection
- Protein aggregation research
- Extracellular vesicle characterization for various disease state studies

### Key specifications

- Size 10 nm 2000 nm\*
- Concentration 10<sup>6</sup> 10<sup>9</sup> particles per mL
- Fluorescence detection





<sup>\*</sup> dependent on material

# SIZE MEASUREMENT WITH NANOPARTICLE TRACKING ANALYSIS

NTA detects and visualizes populations of nanoparticles from 10 nm to 2000 nm on a particle-by-particle basis, providing high resolution size distributions.

### **MEASURING SIZE**

NTA is a method of visualizing and analyzing particles in liquids, by relating the rate of Brownian motion to particle size. The rate of particle movement is linked to the viscosity of the liquid, and the temperature and size of the particle and is not influenced by particle density or refractive index.

The particles contained in the sample are visualized by virtue of the light they scatter when illuminated by laser light. The light scattered by the particles is captured using a scientific digital camera and the motion of each particle is tracked from frame to frame by the specially developed software.

This rate of particle movement is related to a sphere-equivalent hydrodynamic radius as calculated through the Stokes-Einstein equation.

The technique calculates particle size on a particle-by-particle basis, overcoming the inherent weaknesses of ensemble techniques. Also, since video forms the basis of the analysis, accurate characterization of real-time events such as aggregation and dissolution is possible.

## MEASURING CONCENTRATION

Measuring particle concentration is a requirement across a range of applications. NanoSight's single particle detection system allows particle concentration to be measured in the 10 nm - 2000 nm diameter range in liquid suspension. The ability to measure concentration and apply this to product performance adds another dimension to a simple particle size measurement and provides the user with a more detailed understanding of their sample.

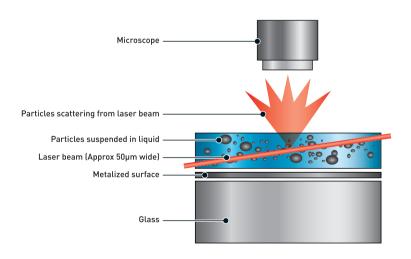
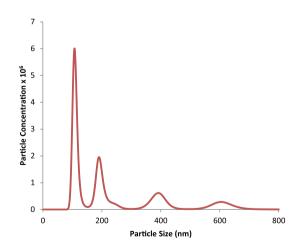


Diagram of the NanoSight NTA system.



Graph showing NTA particle size and concentration measurement of a sample, with distinct peaks at 100 nm, 200 nm, 400 nm and 600 nm.

### NANOSIGHT NS300

### OPTIMIZED EASE OF USE PLUS FLUORESCENCE MODE



This elegant and compact instrument offers an autofocus capability, plus the ability to analyze sample volumes as low as 200  $\mu$ L. The NS300 also offers unparalleled flexibility for measuring fluorescent samples with interchangeable laser modules and inclusion of up to 5 filters on a motorized filter wheel.

The NS300 is the natural progression from the LM10 and NS500 models and incorporates the popular features into an easy-to-use, compact design.

#### **Features**

- Multiple, removable laser options
- Low sample volume
- Improved sample loading/cleaning procedure times
- Concentration upgrade
- Motorized fluorescence filter wheel

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Specifications	Options
Laser wavelengths	405 nm (Violet), 488 nm (Blue), 532 nm (Green), 642 nm (Red)
Temperature control	5 °C below ambient to 50 °C
Stage	Fixed stage
Focus	Computer-controlled motorized focus
Camera	sCMOS
Fluorescence	Computer-controlled motorized multi-filter array

## NANOSIGHT **NS500** FULLY AUTOMATED SIZE AND ZETA POTENTIAL



This versatile instrument offers a choice of camera and laser wavelengths, autofocus, and requires sample volumes as low as 300  $\mu$ L. The on-board fluidic system means that sample loading, cleaning and analysis can be automated to perform measurements without the operator being present.

When this system is accompanied by the autosampler, even more valuable researcher time is freed up.

#### **Features**

- Motorized stage
- Automated sample loading and washing
- Standard or high sensitivity camera
- Concentration upgrade
- Zeta potential measurement option
- Compatible with the NanoSight Autosampler

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Specifications	Options
Laser wavelengths	405 nm (Violet), 488 nm (Blue), 532 nm (Green), 642 nm (Red)
Temperature control	5 °C below ambient to 50 °C
Stage	Computer-controlled motorized stage
Focus	Computer-controlled motorized focus
Camera	CCD or sCMOS
Fluorescence	Manual push/pull filter holder with two filters

### NANOSIGHT LM10

### FLEXIBLE CONFIGURATION AND COST-EFFECTIVE



This versatile instrument offers an adaptable format.

The LM10 is a highly flexible and robust instrument that can be upgraded at any time to fit the growing needs of both routine testing and research laboratories. It comes with a choice of cameras, lasers and filters, as well as the option of a temperature-controlled sample chamber.

#### **Features**

- Interchangeable laser modules
- Wide-ranging solvent compatibility
- Adaptable format

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Specifications	Options
Laser wavelengths	405 nm (Violet), 488 nm (Blue), 532 nm (Green), 642 nm (Red)
Temperature control (with LM14 laser module)	5 °C below ambient to 50 °C
Stage	Manual stage
Focus	Manual focus
Camera	CCD or sCMOS
Fluorescence	Manual push/pull filter holder with two filters

### **ACCESSORIES**



### Syringe pump

The NanoSight syringe pump add-on is available for all systems, allowing users to perform sample analysis at a constant flow rate, offering improved sampling. This single-syringe pump module is highly recommended for the flow-controlled detection of the fluorescent signal from many fluorescently-labeled particles. The NTA software automatically compensates for any flow in the sample whilst analysis is underway.

#### Uses

- Increased statistical robustness of concentration data
- Flow detection of fluorescent signal
- Automated multiple analysis of low concentration samples



### Autosampler

The NanoSight autosampler accessory can be used with the NS500 to allow the user to load and measure a large number of pre-prepared samples automatically without user intervention. Samples are sequentially loaded into the NS500 sample chamber for measurement with a pre-programmed wash cycle between each sample.

### Uses

- Analysis of multiple dilution runs
- Analysis of similar samples for QA or to assess batch-to-batch variation
- Analysis of different sample types where a protocol for measurement has already been prepared

### NANOSIGHT SOFTWARE



The software supplied with all NanoSight systems is specifically designed to meet the needs of researchers and technicians from all industries. It is designed to be easy to use for both new and experienced users. NanoSight software enables standard operating procedures (SOPs) to be easily set up for routine work, as well as access to raw data for the more experienced user to enable in-depth analysis of results.

#### **Features**

- SOP development
- Standard or customized reporting
- Full access to raw data if required
- Complete control of standard accessories within the software

### **NTA KEY FEATURES**

- High resolution particle size distribution algorithm
- Advanced image analysis, particle detection and tracking
- Integrated scripting option for SOP development
- Basic statistical parameter output
- Vibration detection and correction
- Integrated hardware control and communication
- PDF and CSV document export options

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### NANOSIGHT INSTRUMENT **SPECIFICATIONS**

	LM10	NS300	NS500
Stage type			
Manual	•		
Motorized			•
Fixed		•	
Camera			
Standard CCD	•		•
High-sensitivity sCMOS	•	•	•
Laser wavelengths			
55 mW at 405 nm	•	•	•
45 mW at 488 nm	•	•	•
50 mW at 532 nm	•*	•	•
40 mW at 642 nm	•	•	•
Size			
Size range		10 - 2000 nm**	
Concentration			
Concentration range		10 <sup>6</sup> - 10 <sup>9</sup> particles per mL	
Temperature			
Temperature control	•*	•	•
Temperature range		5°C below ambient to 50°C	
Additional options			
Fluorescence	•	•	•
Autosampler			•
Syringe pump	•	•	•
Multiple filter array		•	

	LM10	NS300	NS500
Sample volume			
Sample volume requirements	0.3 mL	0.2 mL	0.3 mL (0.6 mL ***)
Solvent			
Solvent	Non-corrosive solvent + water		Aqueous samples only
Dimensions			
Dimensions (H * W * D)	42 cm * 20 cm * 26 cm	40 cm * 25 cm * 40cm	53 cm * 51 cm * 46 cm
Weight			
Instrument weight	7 kg	12 kg	42 kg
Packed weight	14 kg	25 kg	52 kg
Power			
Power requirements	100 - 240 V*	100 - 240 V	
Connectivity			
IEEE 1394a (CCD)	•		•
IEEE 1394b (sCMOS)	•	•	•
USB	•*	•	•

<sup>\*</sup> with the addition of the LM14 laser module

<sup>\*\*</sup> dependent on material type

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Zeta potential-enabled NS500 systems



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