

Specbox Mini v.260

CALIBRATED AND STABILIZED HIGH-RESOLUTION UV/VIS SPECTROMETER



- UV/Vis/IR grating spectrometer in compact and rugged enclosure
- Optimised for UV/Vis-DOAS remote detection of atmospheric gases and aerosols
- Full characterisation included (dark spectra, calibration, detector non-linearity)
- Very stable properties due to active temperature stabilisation



- Low noise and high precision
- High spectral resolution (< 1 nm)
- Optical connection via quartz fibre
- For permanent as well as mobile applications
- Highly configurable to meet your specific requirements
- Control via USB

EXAMPLE APPLICATIONS

- Environmental passive remote sensing:
 - $\circ~$ Detection of trace gases (NO_2, O_3, SO_2, HCHO, H_2O, HONO, IO, BrO, Glyoxal, ...) and aerosols e.g. using the DOAS method
 - \circ $\,$ Measurements of surface reflection properties.
- Material science
- Biomedical spectroscopy



ADVANTAGES

BENEFITS	INNOVATION					
High measurement accuracy	 Colour filters and optimised optical bench design minimise spectrometer straylight Low noise detectors Spectrometer characterization included: wavelength calibration, offset, dark current, detector non-linearity function Very stable spectrometer properties due to high temperature stability Fine slit function sampling to minimize shift induced residuals e.g. in DOAS applications Internal cross-section converter for optimal light throughput and performance stability Various configurations on request (spectral range and resolution, fibre configuration) Available with regular CMOS or back-thinned CCD-detector (for high UV sensitivity) 					
Simple setup & operation	 Simple instrument setup and start up Low maintenance Low power consumption (< 25W) and flexible power supply (12V/DC) → Operation via power adapter, car cigarette lighter, batteries or other DC sources Software for easy control and measurement routine implementation available Optical connection via optical fibre (FSMA connector) Compact and rugged for mobile applications even in harsh environments Control via single USB port 					
Long lifetime	 Rugged IP64 Designed for long term operation Internal humidity monitoring to avoid water condensation, easily replaceable desiccant 					

TYPICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Spectral range ¹	300 to 460 nm wavelength		Further characterisation		Dark current, offset, detector non-linearity
Resolution ¹	< 0.7 nm (FWHM)				
Colour filter ¹	BG3				MS-DOAS included, enables
Noise	< 3·10 ⁻⁴ at 10 ³ scans (≈ 60 s integration time)		Measurement software		independent control of individual components and implementation of measurement routines.
Spectral sampling	> 6 points over slit function FWHM				
Quantum	UV: >50%, Vis: ~80%		Power consumption		Typ. < 25W (max. 90 W), 12 V
efficiency ²			Size (WxDxH):		30 x 13.2 x 20 cm ³ (box only)
F-number	f/4		Weight		5 kg
Optical fibre configuration ¹	Material:	Fused silica glass	ass Start-up time		< 10 s, temp. stable after ~10 min
	Internal:	Cross section converter (circle to slit), 7 x 100 µm	Mechanical stability		Robust Polyethylene enclosure. IP 64 design, except for heat exchanger fan. Internal desiccant avoids water
	External: ³	Mono-fibre, 1 x 400 µm, connection via SMA port			
Operation	-10°C to 40°C				condensation on optics.
temperature				Temp.:	1°C accuracy
Spectrometer temp./stability	Temperatu Stability be	re: 20°C (adjustable) tter than +/-0.03°C	Additional Sonsors	Pressure:	0.5% accuracy
Wavelength calibration	Highly stable in-house calibration (typ. spectral shifts < 0.01 nm)		56115013	Humidity:	± 3% accuracy in relative humidity

¹ Custom configuration possible ² Other detectors available on request ³ Not included, available on request



OPTIONAL COMPONENTS & CONFIGURATIONS

- Custom configuration ensures best compatibility with your measurement setup and requirements.
- Mobile LiPo battery in a Peli case (50 Ah, 13.6 V)
- Airyx SkySpec telescope unit
- Fibre and cable extensions up to 20 m
- Spare parts and maintenance sets
- Online installation and support service
- Spectral data DOAS analysis package

DIMENSIONS





420

EXAMPLE SPECTRUM

250

200 150 100

50

0

Intensity [counts/ms]

Specbox Mini spectrum 440 460 -1.0-0.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 Wavelength [nm]

EXAMPLE DOAS FIT

320

340

360

380

Wavelength [nm]

Optimized for trace gas detection with DOAS, the Specbox-Mini is designed to achieve exceptional precision in narrow-band optical density. The high spectral quality can best be demonstrated by DOAS fit results. The residual magnitude indicates a precision of few 10⁻⁴. Its near-statistical nature indicates that it can even be further improved by extending the exposure times.

400



Example fit of the optical density between two UV skylight spectra, 4 minute exposure time.