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CHIRASCAN AND CHIRASCAN V100 VERSATILE RESEARCH SYSTEMS

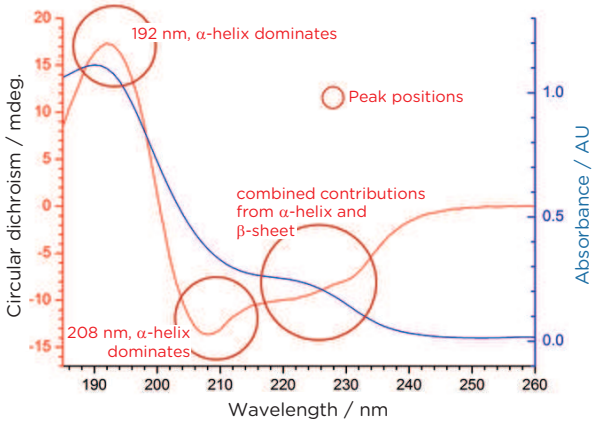
HIGH PERFORMANCE, READY TO RUN

- Determine structural and thermodynamic properties
  - Gain insight and detect changes in secondary and tertiary structure
  - Determine response to thermal or chemical changes
  - Study folding and unfolding mechanisms
- Achieve highest sensitivity and accuracy
- Generate highest quality data
- Optimize sample concentration and absorbance
- Expand capabilities with dedicated Chirascan accessories

DETERMINE STRUCTURAL AND THERMODYNAMIC PROPERTIES

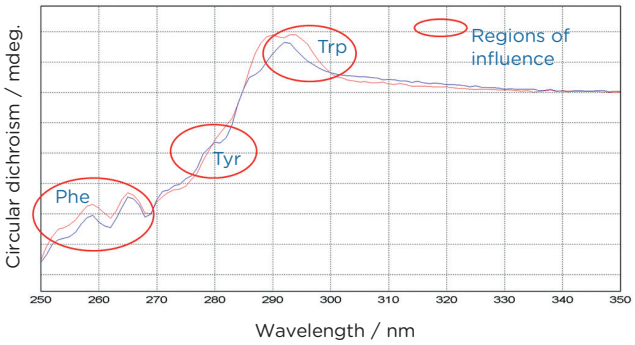
Gain insight and detect changes in secondary and tertiary structure

Secondary structure: far-UV spectrum of a globular protein



Simultaneous acquisition of CD and absorbance spectra, 0.5 mm pathlength, Chirascan V100. Courtesy of leading research university, Germany

Tertiary structure: near-UV spectra of two monoclonal antibodies



Differences between near-UV spectra due to slight changes in orientation of aromatic moieties, Chirascan V100, 10 mm pathlength

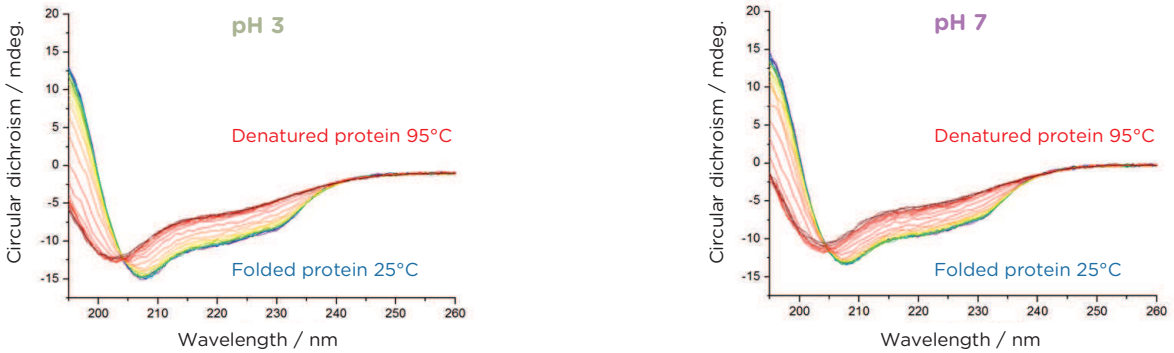
Determine thermodynamic properties – continuous thermal ramping

- Monitor at each wavelength
- Typical run: 70 spectra in 70 min, 1°C/min
- Record temperature directly – thermocouple in sample
- Derive melting points and enthalpies for multiple thermal transitions
- Associate change in structure with each thermal transition

pH	Melting temperature (°C)	van't Hoff enthalpy (kJ/mol)
pH 2	55.4	354
pH 3	69.4	385
pH 4	75.8	380
pH 5	76.9	400
pH 6	74.2	423
pH 7	72.7	367

Six datasets analyzed using Chirascan global thermodynamic analysis

Effect of pH on thermal denaturation



Two of six denaturation datasets acquired at pH 2-7, lysozyme, Chirascan 6-cell turret, Chirascan V100, raw data, no baseline adjustment, no smoothing, 0.5 mm pathlength

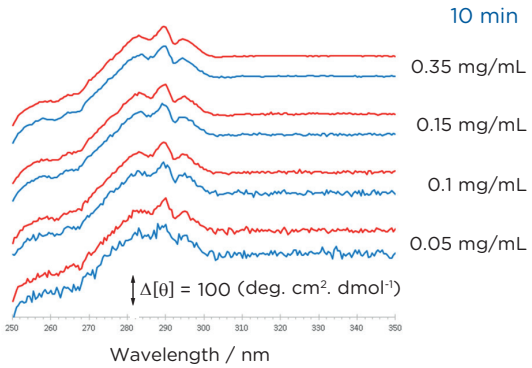
ACHIEVE HIGHEST SENSITIVITY AND ACCURACY

Since their introduction in 2005, Chirascan™ systems have continued to feature in thousands of peer-reviewed publications covering a wide range of research areas. Chirascan V100 now offers the increased sensitivity and accuracy preferred for CD analysis of biomolecules.

- Avalanche photodiode detector enhances sensitivity
- Increased signal:noise compared to conventional photomultiplier
- Accurate normalization from simultaneous measurement of absorbance and CD

Increased sensitivity when sample is limited

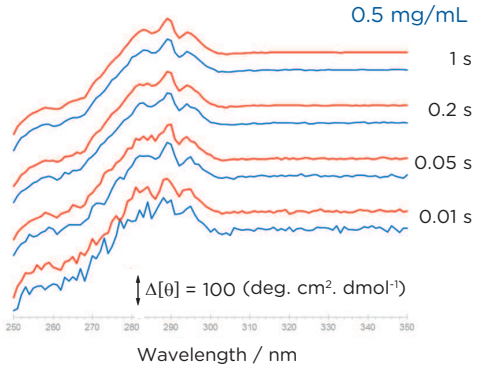
Chirascan V100 (avalanche photodiode detector)
Chirascan (photomultiplier)



Tertiary structure of lysozyme – raw data, no smoothing, 10 min. baseline / 10 min. sampling, n=3 scans, 0.5 nm step, 10 mm pathlength, spectra offset for clarity

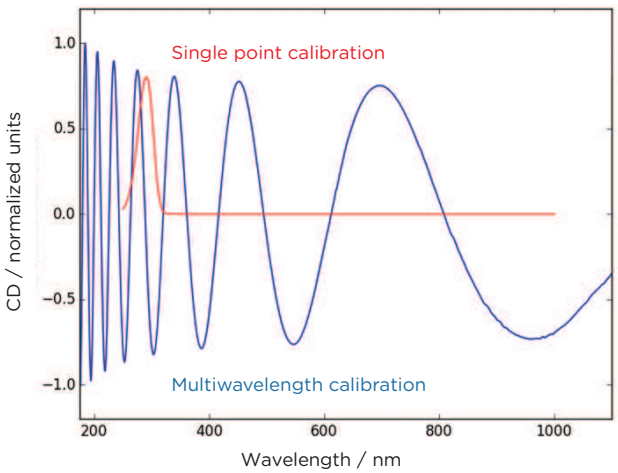
Increased sensitivity: faster measurements for thermal studies or photolabile samples

Chirascan V100 (avalanche photodiode detector)
Chirascan (photomultiplier)



Tertiary structure of lysozyme – raw data, no smoothing, baseline corrected, n=3 scans, 1 nm step, 10 mm pathlength, spectra offset for clarity

- Accurate CD values across entire wavelength range
- Overcome challenges of chemical calibration
- Optics-based, multiwavelength calibration



Conventional chemical calibration methods require considerable skill in preparation. Standards, such as camphor-10-sulfonic acid (CSA), are unstable, photolabile and hygroscopic. In addition, single wavelength calibration (290.5 nm) assumes the same linear response at all wavelengths.

The optics-based, multiwavelength calibration method used in Chirascan V100 overcomes these challenges. The correct calibration is applied to every wavelength to yield accurate CD values.

READY TO RUN – GENERATE HIGHEST QUALITY DATA

Chirascan systems are supplied with features and accessories required for acquisition of high quality CD data – from built-in temperature control during analysis to cuvettes for the most common analytical conditions.* A basic training program follows installation to familiarize users new to Chirascan.

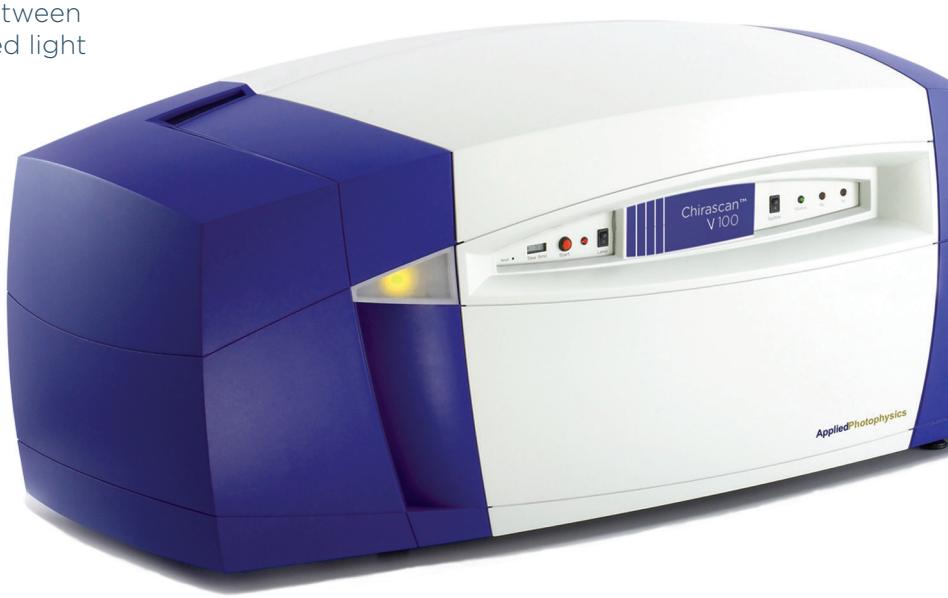
AVALANCHE PHOTODIODE DETECTOR (CHIRASCAN V100)

- Highest sensitivity (high signal: noise)

PHOTOMULTIPLIER DETECTOR (CHIRASCAN)

PHOTOELASTIC MODULATOR

- Converts horizontally polarized light to circularly polarized light. Alternates between left- and right-handed circular polarized light



MONOCHROMATOR

- Produces horizontally, linearly polarized monochromatic light
- Two polarizing prisms maximize light throughput

AIR-COOLED XENON LAMP

- Software-controlled
- Up-time recorded

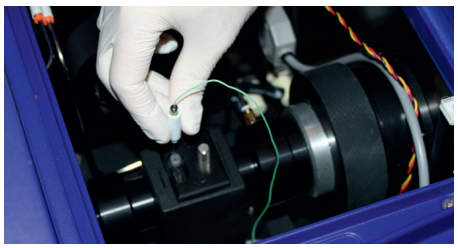
ACTIVE NITROGEN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- Regulates purge gas consumption
- Software-controlled

MOLECULAR SIEVE, ACTIVATED CHARCOAL FILTER

- Removes common gas impurities

* Your local Applied Photophysics representative can supply specific details of components supplied for your region.



TEMPERATURE-CONTROLLED SAMPLE CHAMBER

- Consistent analytical conditions
- Continuous temperature ramps
- Temperature measured directly in sample

OPTICS-BASED, MULTIWAVE-LENGTH CALIBRATION

- For CD accuracy (Chirascan V100)

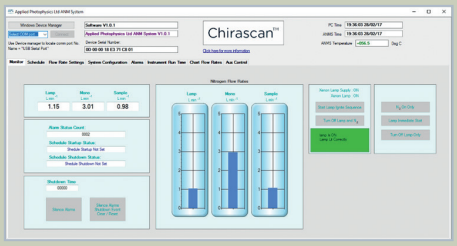
CUVETTES AND HOLDERS

- Selected for far- and near-UV CD analysis of biomolecules

WATER CIRCULATOR

- Dissipates heat from sample chamber Peltier

CONTROL AND ANALYSIS SOFTWARE



CHIRASCAN CONTROL

- Easily define run parameters and store routine protocols
- Saves time with scheduled start-up/ shutdown of lamp and N_2 supply
- Fail-safe lamp switch-off if N_2 flow drops
- Ensures O_2-free conditions with N_2 purge

GLOBAL THERMODYNAMIC ANALYSIS

- Derive melting points and enthalpies from multiwavelength, thermal denaturation experiments

OPTIMIZE SAMPLE CONCENTRATION AND ABSORBANCE: CUVETTES AND HOLDERS

Selecting a suitable cuvette with optimal pathlength is critical to acquisition of highest quality data. Cuvettes for Chirascan systems are manufactured from far-UV quartz to enable analysis of secondary structure. The range of cuvettes and compatible holders provides full flexibility when optimizing sample concentration and absorbance.

For secondary structure (far-UV) analysis	
0.5 mm 175 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette Adaptor for 0.5 mm and 1 mm one-piece cuvettes	Supplied with Chirascan and Chirascan V100 Not suitable for fluorescence
1.0 mm 350 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette	Not suitable for fluorescence; requires adaptor
2.0 mm 700 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette Spacer for 2 mm pathlength cuvette	Not suitable for fluorescence
2.0 mm 400 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette for manual systems	Simultaneous measurement of secondary structure by CD and tertiary structure by fluorescence. No adaptor needed. Not compatible with Chirascan 6-cell turret.
4.0 mm 1400 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette	Simultaneous measurement of secondary structure by CD and tertiary structure by fluorescence. No adaptor needed.
0.1 mm 160 µL cylindrical cell, Holder for cylindrical cells	Useful for highly absorbing/chiral buffers. Scan further into far-UV at fixed pathlength. Not suitable for fluorescence.
For tertiary structure (near-UV) analysis	
10 mm 3500 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette	Supplied with Chirascan and Chirascan V100 Suitable for fluorescence, certified free from strain birefringence.
10 mm 600 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette Holder for 10 mm 600 µL cuvettes	Suitable for fluorescence; reduced volume
5.0 mm 1750 µL one-piece stoppered cuvette Spacer for 5 mm pathlength cuvettes	Not suitable for fluorescence.

For secondary structure analysis with rapid cell cleaning. Scan further into the far-UV Not suitable for fluorescence or for use with chiral buffers
Adaptor for demountable/slide cells
0.01 mm 3 µL demountable/slide cell
0.1 mm 30 µL demountable/slide cell
0.2 mm 60 µL demountable/slide cell
0.5 mm 150 µL demountable/slide cell

EXPAND CAPABILITIES WITH DEDICATED CHIRASCAN ACCESSORIES

CCD FLUOROMETER

Monitor changes in fluorescence

6-CELL TURRET

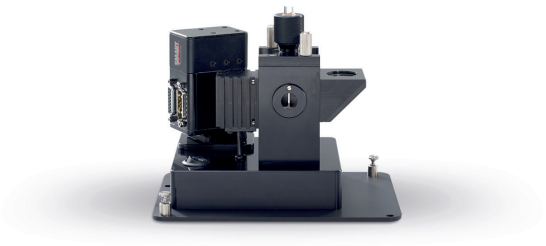
Increase capacity and productivity

TITRATOR AND PH PROBE

Monitor concentration- and pH-dependent changes in CD, fluorescence or absorbance

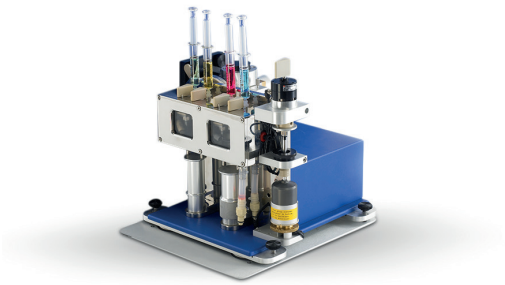
LD COUETTE CELL

Use linear dichroism to gain insight into conformation and orientation of molecular structures



STOPPED-FLOW

Characterize fast reactions, complement CD spectra with kinetic information



INTEGRATING SPHERE AND SOLID SAMPLE HOLDER

See changes in chirality of solid state samples

ALSO AVAILABLE

A **fluorescence anisotropy detector** to characterize ligand binding events.
An **optical rotatory despersion** accessory to characterize chiral molecules.
A **magnetic CD** accessory for study of molecules such as metalloproteins.
A **near IR extension kit** to expand scanning range of a Chirascan V100 to 1700 nm.

Please contact your Applied Photophysics representative to discuss requirements. and system compatibility.