# SpectraMax Paradigm Microplate Reader

User-upgradeable Multi-Mode Detection Platform





## Key standard features



Every SpectraMax® Paradigm® Detection Cartridge starts with an application-optimized excitation energy source either in the form of a long-life, high-powered LED, xenon flash lamp, or high-powered laser. Concentrating the excitation light on the sample through label-specific optics, high levels of sensitivity and performance are reached. All this combined in the detection cartridge creates the ultimate no-compromise multi-mode detection platform.

## Growing array of SpectraMax Paradigm Detection Cartridge capabilities

The flexible nature of the design allows for single or dual excitation and emission, to address existing needs and future expansion.

#### Automatic Z-height optimization

Z-Height focusing is enabled for both top- and bottom-read configurations for all appropriate read modes. By performing the Z-Height optimization, a lens is adjusted to address low volumes or varied well geometry.

#### No more gain

Fluorescence measurements no longer require you to adjust the gain. The SpectraMax Paradigm Detection Cartridge design utilizes an energy intensity optimization technique that allows the user to read up to seven logs of sample concentration in a single pass of a plate without any manual intervention.

#### Intuitive software and help tools

Industry-recognized SoftMax® Pro Microplate Data Acquisition and Analysis Software includes a variety of ready-to-read protocols to reduce setup time while speeding up research. The ready-to-read protocols address a variety of common assay types such as cell-based, binding, nucleic acid quantitation and protein purity, offering default settings as well as data analysis options. For more advanced users, SoftMax Pro Software offers very powerful data analysis options with custom formula writing, multiple curve fits, and data comparison features.

## **Applications**

#### Fluorescence Intensity

- DNA/RNA/protein quantitation
- Endpoint qPCR
- Green fluorescent protein
- Receptor-ligand binding

#### Fluorescence Polarization

- SNP genotyping
- Protein-protein interactions
- Drug receptor studies

#### Absorbance

- DNA/RNA and protein purity
- ELISA
- Cell viability
- Enzyme kinetics
- Low volume applications

#### Time-Resolved Fluorescence

- Enzyme Activity
- •TR-FRET Eu+3 chelates
- Protein-protein interactions
- Western blot detection

#### Glow Luminescence

- LIA
- •Reporter gene
- cAMP
- Toxicity
- Screens
- Kinetics

#### Western blot applications

The ScanLater™ Western Blot Detection System enables first-of-its-kind western blot membrane detection in a multimode microplate reader platform. This system includes the ScanLater Western Blot Detection Cartridge, ScanLater Western Blot Kit and image acquisition software powered by SoftMax Pro® Software. Users can install the ScanLater Western Blot Detection Cartridge in the SpectraMax Paradigm System in just minutes to add western blot detection capability, rather than investing in dedicated western blot detection systems.



#### Low volume applications

Molecular Devices' unique SpectraDrop™ Micro-Volume Microplate offers the highest throughput solution for low volume measurement available on the market today. Innovative and flexible design features enable accelerated sample preparation time and increased laboratory productivity of DNA, RNA and protein samples as low as two µL. The SpectraDrop Micro-Volume Microplate assures uniform and reproducible analysis and integrates seamlessly with the StakMax® Microplate Handling Stacker for greater research capacity.



## User-upgradeabl:e



The SpectraMax Paradigm Multi-Mode Detection Platform utilizes a patent-pending design that allows for real-time system configuration by the user in less than two minutes. This revolution in modularity makes no-compromise detection the norm. The broad array of SpectraMax Paradigm Detection Cartridges enables the user to perform an ever-evolving array of applications. Although your detection needs may change, your equipment can stay the same simply by adding a new detection cartridge.



#### **TUNE Multi-Mode**

- cAMP Quantitation
- Cell Migration
- Cell Viability and Proliferation
- Cytotoxicity
- DNA/RNA Quantitation (Fluorescent)
- ELISA (Fluorescent/Luminescent)
- **Enzyme Kinetics**
- **GPCR**
- Immunoassay
- Neurotransmitter Transporter Uptake
- Protease
- QBT Fatty Acid Uptake
- Reporter Assays



#### Fluorescence Intensity (FI)

- DNA/RNA/Protein Quantitation
- Endpoint qPCR
- Green Fluorescent Protein
- · Receptor-Ligand Binding
- FRET





#### Homogeneous Time-Resolved Fluorescence (HTRF)

- Certified for detection of Cisbio's HTRF assays
- GPCR assays (cAMP cell-based, membrane-based)
- Kinases and ATPases
- Cytokine Assays





#### Fluorescence Polarization (FP)

- SNP Genotyping
- Protein-Protein Interactions
- Drug Receptor Studies



#### Time-Resolved Fluorescence (TRF)

- Enzyme Activity Assays
- cAMP Quantitation
- Protein-Protein Interactions



#### Scan Later Western Blot (WB)

Protein Detection



#### Absorbance (ABS)

- DNA/RNA and Protein Purity
- ELISA
- Cell Viability
- Enzyme Kinetics
- Low Volume Applications

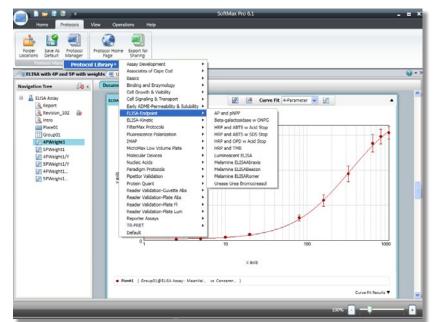


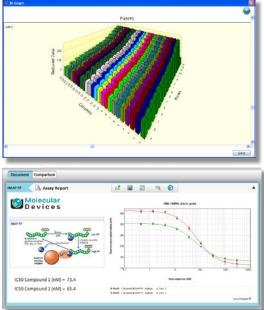
#### Glow Luminescence (LUM) Dual Color Luminescence

- LIA
- Reporter Gene
- cAMP Quantitation
- Toxicity Screening
- BRET
- Chroma-Glo



## Simple and customizable





#### Simple setup

SoftMax® Pro Microplate Data Acquisition and Analysis Software helps take advantage of an instrument's capabilities by providing:

- Automatic instrument recognition
- Over 140 pre-written protocols for popular assays
- A wide variety of scan types: Endpoint, Kinetic, Spectral Scanning, and Well Scanning
- Standard data reduction settings are pre-selected as default
- The spectral optimization wizard for signal window optimization\*
- Patented PathCheck® Sensor to automate well volume normalization for OD measurements\*\*
- Automatic data recovery feature
- \* Available with TUNE cartridge only
- \*\* Available with absorbance cartridge only

#### Flexible calculations and formulas

Use the extensive set of predefined Reductions, Columns, and Summary formulas, or create custom calculations with ease thanks to our Syntax Helper.

- Perform extensive mathematical calculations within and across multiple columns of data
- Apply a single standard set across multiple plates to perform crossplate analysis and interpolation
- $\bullet$  Easily analyze common calculations like  $EC_{50}$  and Z-factors to identify potency and assay quality
- View side-by-side graphs and tables from different sections of your experiment
- Clone your plate data for multiple data reduction options
- Graph your results with over 15 curve fit options

#### Tailored data analysis

Stop wasting time exporting data to external applications for analysis. In addition to the predefined experimental protocols, use the straightforward yet powerful programming capabilities of SoftMax Pro Software to further enhance specialized data collection and analysis results.

- Perform multiple calculation on one data set with the Plate Cloning option
- Analyze data in a single plate, across multiple plates, or between different groups
- Use comparison view to look at multiple sections of your experiment side-by-side
- Zoom into desired wells, then adjust reduction parameters while collecting realtime data for Kinetic and Spectral Scans
- · Report data using conditional formulas and apply variable weighting
- Create results summary reports with live mini-graphs and tables

#### General specifications

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Light Source	High Powered LED or Xenon Flash Lamp
Plate Formats	6- to 1536-well
Temperature Range	4°C above ambient to 45°C
Injectors	Option Available
Uniformity	
Shaking	Linear, Orbital
Environmental Control	Gas Quick Connect
Endpoint Measurement	All Modes
Kinetic Measurement	All Modes
Well Area Scanning	All Modes
Wavelength Scanning	Abs, FI, TRF, LUM
Dimensions W x H x D cm (in.)	
Weight, without Cartridges	45 kg (99 lbs)
Power Source	100-240 VAC, 2 A, 50/60 Hz
Robotic Compatible	

#### Technical specifications

'	Optimized	Guaranteed*	
Fluorescence Intensity (FI) (Fluorescein)	·		
96-well (200 μL)	0.020 fmol	0.100 fmol	
384-well (75 μL)	0.012 fmol	0.100 fmol	
1536-well (8 μL)	0.003 fmol	0.030 fmol	
Fluorescence Polarization (FP) (Fluorescein 1 nM, SD)			
96-well (200 μL)	0.5 mP	3 mP	
384-well (75 μL)	0.5 mP	3 mP	
1536-well (8 μL)	1.5 mP	6 mP	
Time-Resolved Fluorescence (TRF) (Europium)			
96-well (200 μL)	2.5 amol	10.0 amol	
384-well (75 μL)	1.0 amol (100 μL)	5.0 amol	
1536-well (8 μL)	0.6 amol	1.5 amol	
Luminescence (LUM) (ATP-Glow)			
96-well (200 μL)	0.30 fmol	0.50 fmol	
384-well (50 μL)	0.30 fmol	0.50 fmol	
1536-well (8 μL)	0.15 fmol	0.20 fmol	
Linear Dynamic Range:		> 6 decades	
Wavelength Range:			
FI, TI	RF, LUM: Ex 360-790 n	m, Em 400–050 nm	
Wavelength Selection:		1.0 nm increments	
Wavelength Bandwidth:	Abs: 4.0 nm; FI, TRF, LUM: Ex/Em -20nm		
Wavelength Accuracy:			
Wavelength Repeatability:			
Photometric Range:		0-3.5 OD	
Photometric Resolution:			
Photometric Accuracy:			
Photometric Precision:			
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#### Ordering information

SpectraMax Paradigm Multi-Mode Microplate Reader Base Instrument

- SoftMax Pro Microplate Data Acquisition and Analysis Software
- 2 PMT
- Integrated Shaking and Temperature Control
- Power Cable, RS232 Serial Cable, Serial USB adapter
- Compatible with 6-, 24- 96-, 384-, and 1536-well microplates

Note: Detection Cartridges and PC not included.

Accessories: StakMax® Microplate Handling Stacker

SpectraDrop Micro-Volume Microplate SpectraMax Paradigm System injector option



















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