¹³C-MQC Polarimeter



Specifically designed to interface with Oxford Instruments' Dynamic Nuclear Polariser (DNP) HyperSense®, our new Polarimeter enables the user to routinely measure the level of polarisation in the liquid state sample after hyperpolarisation. This is particularly useful in the liquid state analysis of new compounds after hyperpolarisation, qualifying the polarisation performance of your HyperSense and in analyzing samples where a high-resolution spectrometer is not available.

A key feature of the Polarimeter is that it automatically calculates the level of sample hyperpolarisation, allowing rapid and consistent polarisation determination (calculation based on Pyruvic Acid).

The Polarimeter is a permanent magnet based,

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compact NMR spectrometer specially configured for calculating liquid state DNP.



The Polarimeter is a portable system with easy to use software, that can be located next to the DNP system or at a distance away.

After dissolution and transfer into the Polarimeter, the percentage liquid state polarisation is displayed. The Polarimeter has three calculation modes:

- Measurement of a reference sample for system calibration (normally ¹³C₂-DMSO)
- Measurement of polarisation enhancement of an aliquot (usually 0.5 to 4ml Pyruvic Acid solution) of a sample dissolved by HyperSense
- Measurement of all the sample dissolved by HyperSense to monitor the effective level of polarisation (¹³C₁ Pyruvic Acid)

Key enabling features of the Polarimeter are:

- Dedicated software which is easy to use by any operator
- Enhancements referenced to a standard so is independent of spectrometer performance
- Better SNR relative to the noisier thermal enhancement method at low NMR frequencies
- Larger 18mm probe so total sample volume is within the active coil area giving better accuracy



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Calculation overview

Monitoring the polarisation enhancement can be achieved by a number of methods, e.g. enhancement over thermal NMR spectrum, or polarisation spin population.

We have chosen to use spin polarisation as the benchmark because this can be calculated independently of the measuring spectrometer.

Example

A ¹³C₁ Pyruvic Acid (PA) sample is polarised whilst at the same time monitoring the solid state polarisation build-up in order to predict the maximum level of solid state polarisation.

After about 60 minutes the PA sample is dissolved into an 18mm NMR tube and the signal measured using the ¹³C-MQC Polarimeter. Then a sealed 4.0ml sample of ¹³C₂-DMSO is measured in the MQC and used as a comparison. From the integrals of these two samples the predicted liquid state polarisation at saturation is determined.

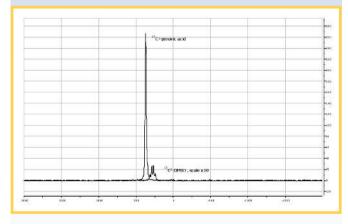


Figure 1: Hyperpolarised ¹³C NMR spectrum of PA (receiver gain 25) and ¹³C₂-DMSO (receiver gain 45) data obtained on the Polarimeter and processed.

¹³C-MQC Polarimeter Specifications

Use Designed for use with the HyperSense

DNP system

Electrical Europe: 230V, 50Hz, USA: 110V, 60Hz,

Japan: 100V+/- 10%, 50-60Hz

Magnet 0.55T permanent ¹³C observe 18mm

probe

Spectrometer Single channel MQC spectrometer

RF Power amplifier

Single channel output Nominal 300W at 6MHz 1% duty cycle

pulsed at 100% power

Pulse length range 0.7µs- 1ms

Time resolution 0.1µs

Receiver

Gain adjustable up to 72dB nominal in

steps of 1dB from 12 to 72dB

Acquisition time Maximum 80ms

ADC Resolution 16 bits

Dimensions

MagnetW 362mm X D 344mm X H 342mmElectronics unitW 300mm X D 327mm X H 406mm

Weight 100Kg

Calibration sample

¹³C₂-DMSO 4.0ml

If you would like to know more about the Polarimeter or to discuss the application further please contact us.

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