

# TLC Explorer Documentation System

# Simplify TLC Analysis with Smart Technology



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# **TLC Explorer Documentation System**

# **User-friendly design for** easy operation in typical laboratory settings



**Remote Use** 

Possible with power bank (ordered separately)

# **Portable/Ergonomic**

- User-friendly design
- Lightweight (10kg)
- Compact
- Rounded edges



# **Open Drawer Unit**

Baseplate is placed on Drawer Unit. An alignment pin underneath the plate area helps the user to orient and align the baseplate correctly on the drawer.



Plug-and-play operation with easy installation, built-in camera, PC unit, WiFi antenna, and USB-C power connection

Three illumination settings for simple operation while wearing nitrile gloves:

VIS (visible light), 366 nm, and 254 nm



LED light sources are more sustainable

- Guards against UV exposure
- Accommodates single or multiple
- Removable baseplate facilitates loading

### **Baseplate**

For convenient insertion of multiple plates

# **Digital TLC:** accurate, reproducible, efficient

Ready to transform your TLC process with cutting-edge digital precision? Say good-bye to inconsistent TLC results and manual, time-consuming analysis.

Say hello to streamlined, reliable chromatography workflows with the TLC Explorer. Trust in the precision of digital imaging and automated spot detection for quantitative analysis and consistent data interpretation.

- Fast measurement of tracks under 3 light settings: 254 nm, 365 nm, and visible
- Simultaneous analysis of multiple plates up to 20 x 20 cm
- Automated track recognition and retention factor (Rf) calculation
- Automated crop and rotation function
- Automatic correction of background signals and inhomogeneous illumination
- Special imaging algorithm enabling picture quality comparable to high-end devices
- Quantification tool included
- Easy data export via USB

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# **Digitalize your TLC analysis** in 3 easy steps



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## **Capture images**

Automatically or manually set exposure conditions for selected illumination types. Plate images can also be edited to reduce image noise or enhance contrast.



### Plot and edit densitogram calculation and display

Evaluation process is based on video densitometric measurement performed on electronic images.



#### **Quantitative analysis**

To estimate the concentration of a substance, the spot it builds on a track is compared with the corresponding spots of one or more reference tracks.



# Easy Maintenance and Lamp Change

The exterior of the TLC device is easy to clean with common solvents. To change the illumination unit, simply unscrew and remove the back cover, pull out entire lamp unit and replace with new one.

# **Device Measurements & Specifications**

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Weight	Approx. 10.4 kg		
Dimensions	374 x 312 x 290 mm length x width x height		
(External) Power supply	USB-C Power Supply Unit / 65 W		
Power supply	External power supply unit (HA65NM170) is provided with separate power supply cord(s) (1.8 m long) fitting type B, G, N, I, D, E/F plugs (the plug must comply with local regulations)		
Power requirements	100 V - 240 V, 50 - 60 Hz for the External Power Supply Unit		
Power consumption	Standard working condition: 18.8 W; standby mode: 0.83 W		
Wavelength range	Visible light (VIS)		
	• UV-C - WL: 254 nm		
	• UV-A – WL: 366 nm		
Camera	• RGB sensor with 3280 $\times$ 2464 active pixel		
	- One pixel captures an area of approx. 85 $\times$ 85 $\mu m$ on TLC plate		
Measuring technology	Documentation system for TLC plates by using video densitometric measurement		
TLC/HPTLC plates sizes	LC plates sizes 20 cm x 20 cm and smaller		
	• USB: 2 × USB-A (for directly connecting to an USB Stick)		
Communication interfaces	• Ethernet: LAN		
	• WLAN IEEE 802.11 b/g/n (2.4 GHz)		
Protection (IP) class	IP2X (for the main enclosure)		
Ambient	• Operating temperature: 15 °C to 40 °C		
Condition: Temperature	• Storage and transportation temperature: 5 °C to 40 °C.		
	Operating humidity range: 20%RH to 80%RH		
Ambient Condition: Relative Humidity	<ul> <li>Storage and transportation humidity range: 15%RH to 95%RH</li> </ul>		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ensure non-condensing conditions		
Ambient Condition: Altitude	< 2000 m		

# **TLC Device & Accessories**

Article No.	Name	Description
1.52610.0001	TLC Explorer	TLC Digital Documentation
1.52613.0001	Illumination unit	Replacement part which is The unit houses LEDs and c and can only be exchanged
1.52612.0001	Baseplate	An additional Baseplate car prepared while a second or
1.52611.0001	Power bank	Powers the TLC Explorer in
1.52618.0001	Dust cover	Replacement cover to prote

# **Application Fields**

Screening, day-to-day analysis, matrix-rich samples, method development for HPLC or flash chromatography, in-process control, basic research



- API stability testing
- API candidate screening
- Herbal medicine screening
- Impurity analysis

# Chemical Industry (e.g. Cosmetics)

# In-process control

- Screening of cosmetic compounds
- Impurity cosmetic analysis

# Food & Beverage

- Quality control
- Stability testing
- Food additive analysis
- Food contaminant analysis

### Environmental



- Water, soil, waste water analysisContaminant analysis
- (e.g. pesticides, hormones)

#### System

is only needed in case a light source in your TLC Explorer has broken. d optics for all illumination types, i.e. visible light as well as UV light, ed as a whole.

an simplify and speed up the workflow, since one Baseplate can be one is recorded in the TLC Explorer.

independent of a power grid – e.g. remote use

tect your TLC Explorer against dust



### Clinical Research and Diagnostic Labs

- Metabolite testing
- Biomarker analysis



### Academia

- Basic research
- Compound development



#### Forensic

- Screening for drugs and toxic compounds
- Detection of explosives



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