

Separation Analyser LUMiReader® X-Ray



Illuminating even the most concentrated emulsions & suspensions.



Pigment segregation



Real-time separation stability



Concentration gradients



Sediment & cake structure



(In-)Homogeneity of dispersions, powder mixtures & solid matrices



Phase separation



Direct instrumental method for shelf life



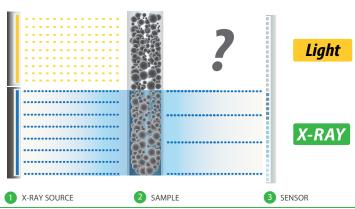
Packing density/Solidosity



Foam structure

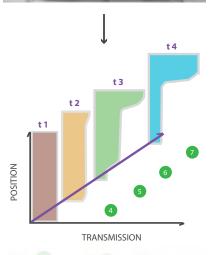
LUMiReader® X-Ray using











1 X-RAY SOURCE
2 SAMPLE
3 SENSOR
4 5 6 7 KINETICS OF TRANSMISSION

The LUMiReader® X-Ray is the first dispersion analyser designed for one purpose only: to study dispersability, stability, separation, and consolidation phenomena for completely transparent to completely opaque emulsions or suspensions. For the first time ever, illuminate your sample instantaneously from top to bottom. Solve your most challenging dispersion problems with complete insight. Go places light cannot.

Our patented solution combines x-ray vision with the proven STEP-Technology®, permitting highest spatial resolution, short sampling intervals and powerful detection technique. The LUMiReader® X-Ray creates monochrome and parallel x-rays ® with the help of a special crystal, which transmits the entire sample cell ® of 20 mm height. More than 1600 detectors record the transmitted beam, giving an unprecedented resolution ®. Instantaneous transmission profiles across your whole sample are converted into stability and separation rates. Particle concentration, sediment packing density can also be calculated based on the extinction profiles.

The obtained Space- and Time-resolved Extinction Profiles allow you to measure and understand particle stability, phase separation, and sediment consolidation in systems that where up to now, unknown frontiers of science and technology⁴⁰⁻⁷⁰.

The LUMiReader® X-Ray allows you to optimize your formulation, measure its stability, and perform accurate shelf life tests, regardless of the shape or concentration of your dispersed particles and droplets. In-situ, real-time, non-invasive and non-destructive.

Typical applications are cosmetics, pharmaceutics, paint & pigments, construction materials and fillers, as well as mining, ceramics and petrol industry dealing with complex emulsions, slurries and sludges.

SEPView®

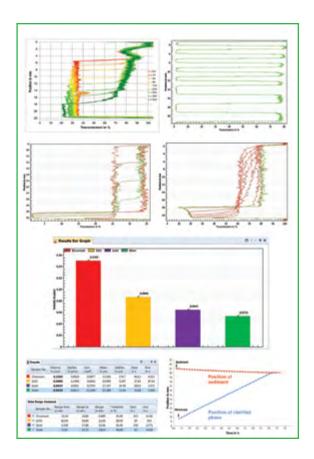


your window to dispersion analysis

- ▶ Windows-based with Ribbon User Interface
- ▶ Plug & play, pack & go
- Individual user customization
- Full SOP concept (Creation, capture, data analysis)
- ▶ 8 different tools to understand (quantify) even the most complicated dispersion:

Time lapse measurement replay
Dispersion fingerprint
Instability index
Clarification
Phase separation
Sedimentation and creaming velocities
First derivative of integral transmission
Linear X-ray attenuation coefficent

- Analysis templates
- Zoom in and out of any area of interest
- Comparison of old and new measurements
- Comprehensive database security and full audit log
- Complies with 21 CFR Part 11



Safety features

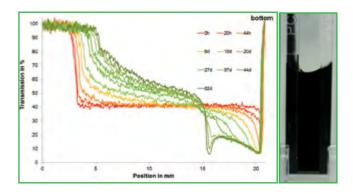
What we have done for your safety

A full protection security circle certified by PTB – the national metrology institute providing scientific and technical services and Federal Office for Radiation Protection (BfS) protects the user. So anyone can employ the instrument free of risk and without worries about the x-ray radiation. No specific training course about x-ray instrumentation, nor any special operation licenses are required by the user.

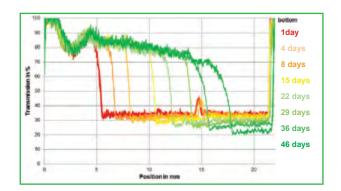
A thick lead layer shields the environment from the x-ray exposure inside the apparatus. Because of this and various other safety designs, there is no detectable energy dose outside the instrument. State of the art interlocks sentinelling the sample lid position and the x-ray tube shutter action. Opening the lid during a measurement causes an immediate shut down of the shutter and the x-ray source, triggered by the sentinel circuit independent from software and user.

Applications & Samples

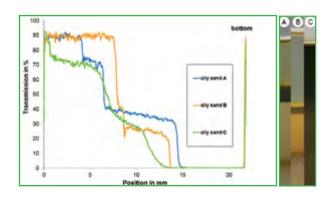
Phase separation of MoS₂-Graphit suspension



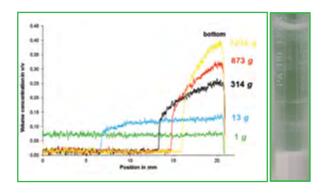
Phase and sediment formation of polymer dispersion



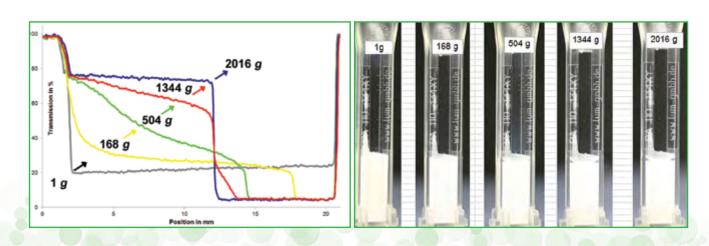
Visual appearance and x-ray intensity profiles of oil sands after separation



Packing density gradients of lime after centrifugal consolidation



X-ray phase detection of ongoing clarification and sediment growth (left) within even opaque systems (right)



Benefits

- In-situ analysis of transparent as well as opaque dispersions
- No dilution of emulsions or suspensions
- Signal does not depend on particle shape
- See/understand complex dispersion behaviour
- Study the various instability mechanisms
- High resolution of phase separation of multicomponent systems
- Detect concentration gradients within phases and sediment
- Determine mean and space resolved packing sediment densities
- Endless monitoring of sample behaviour for long-time storage information
- Use any continuous phase of dispersing agent
- Real time, non-invasive and non destructive
- High-end analyser for QC, process monitoring and R & D







Application Areas

Abrasives

Batteries

Carbon black

Catalysts

Coated particles

Cosmetics

Ceramics

Construction materials

Lubricants

Magnetic particles

Microemulsions

Metals

Mineral powders

Nanosuspensions

Oil sands

Paints

Pigments

Rigid foams

Silicone emulsions

Solid electrolytes











Specifications

Measurement principle

Phase separation

In situ sediment analysis

Stability analysis

Consolidation measurement

Conformity

Monoenergetic X-ray attenuation

High concentrated dispersions (transparent or opaque)

Packing density & structure

From seconds to days or weeks

Also in combination with LUMiFuge & LUMiSizer

ISO/TR 13097; ISO/TR 18811; ISO 18747-1, CFR 21 Part 11

Suspensions, Emulsions, Suspo-Emulsions, Samples

Sludges, Slurries, Foams & Powders

Channels 1 sample

0.3 ml to 1.6 ml Volume Up to 100 Vol% Concentration

Particle any shape, from nano to microscale,

no density restriction

Monoenergetic X-ray, 17.48 keV, max 20 W at 40 kV, Source

air cooled

Monochromator Graphite

Disturbance free

Dimensions (WxHxD), Weight

Power supply Safety

requirements

Radiation control

No moving parts

47 x 24 x 44 cm³, 25 kg

24 V, 220 W, Adapter (100 V to 240 V) included

Fully radiation protected system;

Radiation $< 1 \mu Sv/h$ (BfS 03/13 V RöV)

None; instrument can be used anywhere



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