**FluoMax**

**Fluorescence Upconversion Spectrometer**

FluoMax is a turn-key system for investigation of fluorescence kinetics in solutions, solid samples and thin films. It has a time window of 2 ns with sub-100 fs intrinsic time resolution. The detection method relies on sum frequency generation in optical nonlinear crystal using femtosecond optical gating. The spectral range of FluoMax covers the visible and the near infrared regions. It has been designed to be matched with any type of femtosecond titanium-sapphire oscillator (1 – 100 MHz, SC version) and regenerative amplifier (0.5 – 10kHz, MP version).

**Research Areas**

> Molecular spectroscopy
> Photochemistry
> Photophysics
> Materials science
> Photobiology
> Nanoscience

**Key Advantages**

> Low cost of ownership
> Easy to use
> Extended spectral range
> Designed by experts in spectroscopy
> Wide variety of alignment tools and accessories

**Main Features**

> Detection of fluorescence over a broad wavelength range (350-1300 nm)
> Sub-100 fs intrinsic temporal resolution
> Fully computer controlled
> Time window of 2-ns (standard) and 4 ns (-DP option)
> Emission Anisotropy measurements
> Superb signal-to-noise performance

**Basics of Operation**

Laser induced fluorescence is produced by a femtosecond laser pulse and directed onto an optical nonlinear crystal. Sum frequency radiation is generated in the nonlinear crystal only during the time that a delayed femtosecond gate pulse is present. As a result of optical delay scanning, the fluorescence rise or decay kinetics is measured at a wavelength determined by the monochromator and the nonlinear crystal adjustments. The system sensitivity depends on the average power of the fluorescence excitation light, pulse repetition rate, emission lifetime of the sample, conversion efficiency of the spectrometer, dark count of the photon counting system, and the measurement time.
### Specifications

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<td><strong>Excitation:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Detection Spectral Ranges</strong></td>
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<td>- VIS – 0.7 ... 8 nm</td>
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<td>- NIR – 1 ... 10 nm</td>
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<td><strong>Time Window and Step:</strong></td>
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<td>Optional – 4 and 6.6 ns, Step Size 2.67 fs (-DP option)</td>
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<td><strong>Temporal Resolution:</strong></td>
<td>The instrument response function is determined by the customer’s laser system and has a typical FWHM of 1.5 times longer than the excitation pulse duration. The intrinsic temporal resolution is less than 100 fs.</td>
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<td><strong>Dark Count Rate:</strong></td>
<td>&lt;30 cps (&lt;10 cps typical)</td>
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### Data Examples

**Organic Chemistry:**
**Charge Transfer in Synthetic Compounds**

Transient emission kinetics obtained with FluoMax-MP on TAA-based organic compound in solution with excitation from Clark-MXR CPA2010™ frequency doubled output. Excitation with 2 μJ, 1kHz, 388 nm pulses. Temporal kinetic fits (solid lines) are performed with sum of exponentials convoluted with Gaussian.

![Graph](image)