GRINDING & POLISHING
DIGIPREP
251/301
DIGIPREP preparation systems are designed for fully automated materialographic sample preparation for consistent and reproducible specimen quality. DIGIPREP’s Automatic Head controls the force applied precisely and specimens are prepared exactly the same way everytime, independent of operator skills. With the ability to store and recall preparation programs on the LCD screen, same consistent results are obtained. Efficiency is further increased by adding DOSIMAT Peristaltic Dispensing Unit for automation and control of consumable consumption.

**Base Unit**

DIGIPREP’s variable speed base unit is available in two version; DIGIPREP 251 with 250 mm diameter wheel and DIGIPREP 301 with 300 mm diameter wheel. The base unit is powered by a high torque 1.0 HP electric motor. The state of the art frequency converter allows smooth speed variation (50-600 rpm) with soft start and soft stop. The stylish and functional GRP housing is corrosion free and easy to clean. Molded wheel bowls and drains eliminate leaks and the build-up of residue is prevented by constant flushing of the bowl. The drive elements are fixed on heavy duty aluminium alloy casting. The wheels are mounted on ball bearings allowing the application of high pressures to prepare even large specimens. Ball bearings used provide quite and vibration free operation. When required, the base unit can be operated in manual mode, as well.

**Automatic Head**

DIGIPREP’s programmable Automatic Head is HMI touch screen controlled and with the Base Unit, thus creating automatic preparation system. It is used to prepare high volumes of metallographic, ceramic and mineralogical specimens with consistent reproducible quality. The Automatic Head can apply both “Central” and/or “Individual” forces. It can accommodate single samples as well as multi-sample holders thus offering a perfect solution for all levels of sample throughput requirements. The Automatic Head is mounted to a hardened steel post which is affixed to the cast base of the grinder/polisher. The force on the specimen, “individual” or “central” is pneumatically controlled by a pressure transducer. The system is enclosed in a GRP housing with touch screen LCD. The Automatic Head is rapidly positioned via a quick-locking clamping lever. The “soft start and stop” feature automatically starts the sequence with a low initial force which is then increased to the preset.
Towards the end of the cycle the force is automatically reduced to 75% of the setting to prevent scratching. A variety of sample holders for individual or central force applications are available for different sample sizes.

All preparation parameters can be stored in memory under a specific program number. Each program can be saved for a material specific name such as “Cast Iron, Bronze, Al-Si Alloy, etc.” The parameters which can be saved are: Force, Cycle time, Wheel speed and direction, Mode of operation (individual or central pressure). Dispensing frequency can also be saved when DOSIMAT peristaltic dispenser is available. These parameters are entered and stored in memory and displayed on the LCD screen as preset values. All the operator needs to do is to select the mode of operation (individual or central pressure), call up a specific program and press the “Start” key.

Programmable HMI touch screen controls

Upon completion of the cycle, an acoustic signal lets the operator know that the cycle is over and the samples are ready for the next step. When required, it is also possible to intervene in the program and change the parameters without stopping the instrument.

Enviro Filter Unit is a closed loop recirculating filter system which is optionally available. It has a 20 lt reservoir capacity with 1 micron filter entering the grinder/polisher intake. Enviro can also be coupled with line water and 80 micron filtering system for disposal.

Retractable water hose for easy cleaning Simple exchange of working discs Bowl liner Enviro recirculating filtering unit (1 micron)

Dosimat

DOSIMAT Peristaltic Dispenser is an optional accessory for the DIGIPREP systems. It is an automatic fluid dispensing instrument used in combination to obtain consistent specimens and to save time and consumables. DOSIMAT can feed both diamond suspensions / lubricants and aluminium oxide suspensions. Dispensing parameters like; frequency, fluid selection etc. are controlled through the programme memory of the Automatic Head. High quality peristaltic pumps guarantee exactly the same dosing every time. DOSIMAT has 3 peristaltic pumps for diamond suspensions / lubricant and 1 pump for aluminium oxide suspension. The liquid is dosed exactly to where the operator wants it on the polishing cloth. No vaporization or spray mist occurs.
Specifications

DIGIPREP 251
Programmable with 6" HMI touch screen control,
Base Unit with large 0.75HP Motor, Variable wheel speed 50-600 rpm, Quiet belt drive, Complementary or Contra rotational direction, Soft Start and Stop. With 250 mm diam. working kit consisting of "Aluminium Wheel and Splash Guard", Retractable water hose, with water supply and drain tubes. Automatic Head, Large LCD screen, programmable sample preparation parameters, central and/or individual force application, steel mounting column, with variable specimen holder speed 50-150 rpm, 100 Watt DC motor, LED lighting, 2-axis material removal with depth control, quick-locking swing mounted design, audible warning signal, with holding cluck, Lubomat integrated lubricant dispenser with peristaltic pump and flow adjustment valve, Air supply tubes, Air filtering and lubricating unit. Complete and ready for operation. Without Specimen Holders.

DIGIPREP 301
Programmable with 6" HMI touch screen control,
Base Unit with large 1.0HP Motor, Variable wheel speed 50-600 rpm, Quite belt drive, Complementary or Contra rotational direction, Soft Start and Stop. With 300 mm diam. working kit consisting of "Aluminium Wheel and Splash Guard", Retractable water hose, with water supply and drain tubes. Automatic Head, Large LCD screen, programmable sample preparation parameters, central and/or individual force application, steel mounting column, with variable specimen holder speed 50-150 rpm, 100 Watt DC motor, LED lighting, 2-axis material removal with depth control, quick-locking swing mounted design, audible warning signal, with holding cluck, Lubomat integrated lubricant dispenser with peristaltic pump and flow adjustment valve, Air supply tubes, Air filtering and lubricating unit. Complete and ready for operation. Without Specimen Holders.

DOSIMAT Peristaltic Fluid Dispenser
Fluid Dispenser, microprocessor controlled, with 4 peristaltic pumps (3 for diamond suspensions/lubricant and 1 for alumina suspensions), with interface to be connected to DIGIPREP’s Automatic Head.

ENVIRO Recirculating Filtering System,
Closed loop 1 micron filtering system with 20 lt. recirculating filter as well. Requires 4 bar compressed air. Ready for operation with all Metkon Grinder/Polishers.

Accessories for Specimen Loading:
LEVOMAT
Specimen Loading Fixture, to level the specimens within the central force specimen holders, without specimen loading plate.

Specimen Loading Plates
45 10 Specimen Loading Plate ø 130 mm
45 20 Specimen Loading Plate ø 145 mm
45 30 Specimen Loading Plate ø 170 mm
45 41 Specimen Loading Plate ø 185 mm

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Application of Force | Individual + Central | Individual + Central
Individual Force, (N) | 5-100 | 5-100
Central Force, (N) | 30-500 | 30-500
Head Motor, W | 100 | 100
Base Motor, kW | 0.75 | 1
Head Speed, (rpm) | 50-150 | 50-150
Base Speed, (rpm) | 50-600 | 50-600
Wheel Diameter, (mm) | 250 | 300
Head Rotation Direction | CW | CW/CCW
Wheel Rotation Direction | CW/CCW | CW/CCW
HMI Touch Screen, (inch) | 6" | 6"
Program Memory | 25 | 25
"Grinding depth measurement (Z-axis)" | Yes | Yes
"Grinding depth measurement Accuracy, (µ") | 10 | 10
Dimensions, WxDxH, (cm) | 480 X 730 X 640 | 520 X 770 X 640
Weight, (kg) | 73 | 86
Mains | 1 phase, 110V 50/60Hz. | 1 phase, 110V 50/60Hz.

* Other voltages and frequencies available upon request. Please state when ordering. All specifications are subject to change without notice.