



2100 SERIES
SPECTROPHOTOMETER
USER'S MANUAL

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General Information

The spectrophotometer described in this manual is designed to be used by properly trained personnel in a suitable equipped laboratory. For the correct and safe use of this spectrophotometer it is essential that laboratory personnel follow generally accepted safe procedures in addition to the safety precautions called for in this manual.

The inside of the power supply unit is a hazardous area and its cover should not be removed under any circumstances. **ANY Servicing** must be done by an authorized person.

Some of the chemicals you use in the spectrophotometer may be corrosive, flammable, radioactive, toxic, and/or potentially infective. Care should be taken to follow the normal laboratory procedures for handling chemicals and samples. Please carefully read the **Safety, Electrical, Warning, Performance and Radio Interference** instructions below.

Safety

This spectrophotometer has been designed and tested in accordance with EN 61326-1: 1997 Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use standard (EMC Requirements). The spectrophotometer has been supplied in a safe condition.

The safety statements in this manual comply with the requirements of the HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK ACT, 1974.

Read the following before installing and using the instrument and its accessories.

Electrical

Before switching on the spectrophotometer, make sure it is set to the voltage of the local power supply (see **Installation**).

The main plug shall be inserted in a socket provided with a protective earth contact. The protective action must not be negated by the use of an extension cord without a protective conductor.

Warning

Any interruption of the protective conductor inside or outside the spectrophotometer or disconnection of the protective earth terminal is likely to make the spectrophotometer dangerous. Intentional interruption is prohibited. Whenever it is likely that the protection has been impaired, the spectrophotometer shall be made inoperative and be secured against any unintended operation. NEVER touch or handle the power supply on the Model **2100UV** due to the high voltage.

The protection is likely to be impaired if, for example, the apparatus

- Shows visible damage
- Fails to perform the intended measurements
- Has been subjected to prolonged storage under unfavorable conditions
- Has been subjected to severe transport stresses

Performance

Carry out performance checks with particular reference to wavelength and absorbance accuracy to ensure that the spectrophotometer is working within its specification, especially when making measurements of an important nature. Performance checks are detailed in this manual.

Radio Interference

For compliance with the EMC standards referred to in the EC Declaration of Conformity, it is necessary that only shielded cables supplied by **UNICO®** are used when connecting the instrument to computers and accessories.

Introduction

The **UNICO®** Model's **2100** and **2100UV** Spectrophotometers are single beam, general purpose instruments designed to meet the needs of the conventional laboratory. **UNICO® 2100** and **2100UV** are ideal for various applications, such as: Clinical Chemistry, Biochemistry, Petrochemistry, Environmental Protection, Food and Beverage Labs, Water and Waste Water Labs and other fields of quality control.

Featuring a digital display of photometric result, easy operation and wavelength range of **325~1000 nm (Model 2100)** or **200~1000 nm (Model 2100UV)**, **UNICO® 2100** and **2100UV** are ideal for measurements in the visible wavelength region of the electromagnetic spectrum (ultraviolet and visible for the Model **2100UV**).

Working Principle

The spectrophotometer consists of five parts: 1) **Halogen/Deuterium Lamp** to supply the light; 2) **A Monochromator** to isolate the wavelength of interest and eliminate the unwanted second order radiation; 3) **A Sample Compartment** to accommodate the sample solution; 4) **A Detector** to receive and convert the transmitted light to an electrical signal; 5) **A Digital Display** to show absorbance or transmittance. Figure-I illustrates the relationship between these parts.

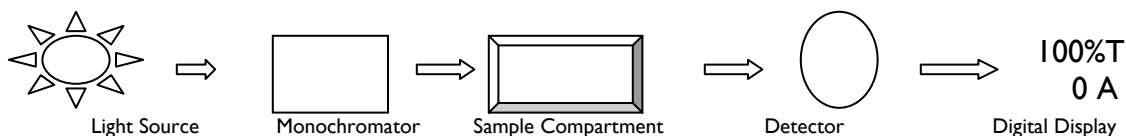


Figure-I Block Diagram for the Spectrophotometer

In your spectrophotometer, light from the lamp is focused on the entrance slit of the monochromator where the collimating mirror directs the beam onto the grating. The grating disperses the light beam to produce the spectrum, a portion of which is focused on the exit slit of the monochromator by a collimating mirror. From here the beam is passed to a sample compartment through one of the filters, which helps to eliminate unwanted second order radiation from the diffraction grating. Upon leaving the sample compartment, the beam is passed

to the silicon photodiode detector and causes the detector to produce an electrical signal that is displayed on the digital display.

Specifications

Table-I lists the specification for both Model **2100** and **2100UV**.

Table-I Specifications

	Model 2100	Model 2100UV
Wavelength Range	325~1000 nm	200~1000 nm
Spectral Bandpass	5 nm	
Wavelength Accuracy	Better than 2 nm	
Wavelength Repeatability	Better than 1 nm	
Stray Radiant Energy	< 0.3% T at 340 and 400 nm	
Photometric Range	0~125%T -0.1~2.5 Abs 0~1999 C (0~1999 Factor)	
Photometric Accuracy	± 0.004 Abs at 0.5 Abs	
Power Requirements	115/230 V. ±10%, 60/50 Hz switchable	
Sample Holder	4-position Cuvette Holder	
Dimensions	470W x 400D x 140H (mm)	
Net Weight	10 kg (22 lbs)	12 kg (27 lbs)

Unpacking Instructions

Carefully unpack the contents and check the materials against the following packing list to ensure that you have received everything in good condition:

Packing List

Refer to Table-2 for the **Packing List**.

Table-2 Packing List

Description	Quantity	
	Model 2100	Model 2100V
Spectrophotometer	1	1
Dust Cover	1	1
Cuvette	Set of 4, glass	Set of 2, quartz; Set of 4, glass
4-position Cuvette Holder (Manual)	1 (installed)	1 (installed)
Power Cord	1	1
User Manual	1	1

Installation

1. After carefully unpacking the contents, check the materials with the packing list above to ensure that you have received everything in good condition.
2. Place the instrument in a suitable location away from direct sunlight. In order to have the best performance from your instrument, keep it as far as possible from any strong magnetic or electrical fields or any electrical device that may generate high-frequency fields. Set the unit up in an area that is free of dust, corrosive gases and strong vibrations.
3. Remove any obstructions or materials that could hinder the flow of air under and around the instrument.
4. Select either **230V** or **125V/115V** on the voltage selector switch on the back of the **2100** and **2100UV** shown in Figure-2, to match your local main voltage supply.
5. Turn on your **UNICO® 2100 and 2100UV** and allow it to warm up for 15 minutes before taking any readings.

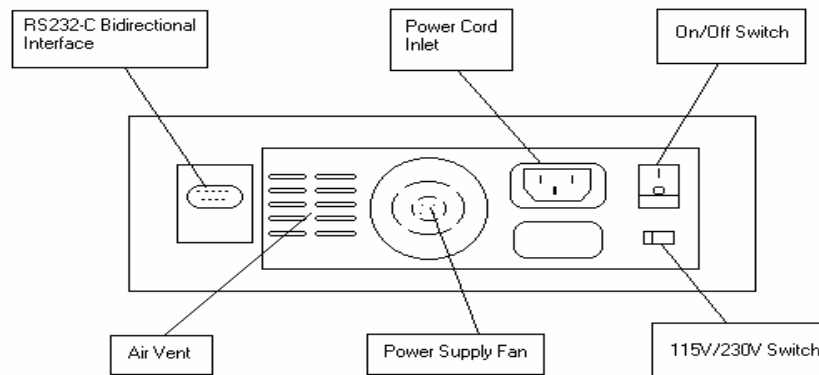


Figure-2 Back of **UNICO® 2100 and 2100UV**

2100 and 2100UV Spectrophotometer Operation Panel

Model 2100UV Operation Panel

Figure-3 shows the Model **2100UV** and its Components:

- **Sample Compartment:** Accommodate different cuvette holders. 4-position Cuvette Holder is preinstalled in the standard package
- **Power Indicator:** Indicate whether power is on or off
- **Cuvette Holder Control Knob:** Select the sample position of the 4-position Cuvette Holder by pulling out or pushing in
- **Operation Panel:** has eleven components, see below for details.

Figure-4 illustrated the detailed information of the **Operation Panel:**

1. **Data Display Screen:** Display the data of Transmittance, Absorbance, Concentration, and Factor

modes.

2. **Mode Indicator:** The red LED light indicates the operation MODE. Allow the operator to know the measurement mode currently in use (**T**–%Transmittance, **A**–Absorbance, **C**–Concentration, and **F**–Factor).
3. **0A/100%T Button:** Blank the **2100/2100UV** when blank reference solution is in the Sample Compartment. Every time a new wavelength is selected, press **0A/100%T Button** to confirm. It will automatically blank the **2100/2100UV**.
4. **MODE Button:** There are four modes. **T** mode is transmittance mode; **A** mode is absorbance mode; **C** mode is to measure unknown sample concentration through a standard solution; **F** mode is to measure unknown value with a previously determined factor.
5. **PRINT Button:** Press to send **Data Display Screen** and **Wavelength Display Screen** results to RS-232C port and printer.
6. **Wavelength Display Screen:** Display the current/desired wavelength.
7. **Wavelength Control Buttons:** Allow user to select the desired wavelength with the **Λ** and **V** (increase and decrease) buttons.
8. **INC/DEC (Concentration/Factor Buttons) and Lamp Control Buttons:** Allow user to increase or decrease the displayed Concentration at **C** mode or Factor number at **F** mode. At **T** mode or **A** mode, press **INC** button will shutdown the halogen lamp (**W**), press **DEC** mode will shutdown the deuterium lamp (**D2**). To turn on the lamps, just press the **INC/DEC** button again.
9. **ENT Button:** First press at **C** mode enters reading on **Data Display Screen**. Other presses send displayed results to printer. If using **UNICO®** Windows-based Application Software, press this button to communicate with the software (refer to the **UNICO® 2100 Series Spectrophotometer Software User's Manual Version SB-2.10** for details). If operating in **F** Mode, then press to enter factor. This causes the Mode to enter the factor number and change to **C** mode.
10. **Visible Lamp Indicator (W):** In the operating mode of Absorbance or %Transmittance (**A** or **T**), pressing the **INC** button will turn off/on the lamp.
11. **UV Lamp Indicator (D2):** In the operating mode of Absorbance or %Transmittance (**A** or **T**), pressing the **DEC** button will turn off/on the lamp. Since Deuterium lamp (**D2**) is an expensive item, it is recommended to turn off the when not using ultraviolet light for measurement.

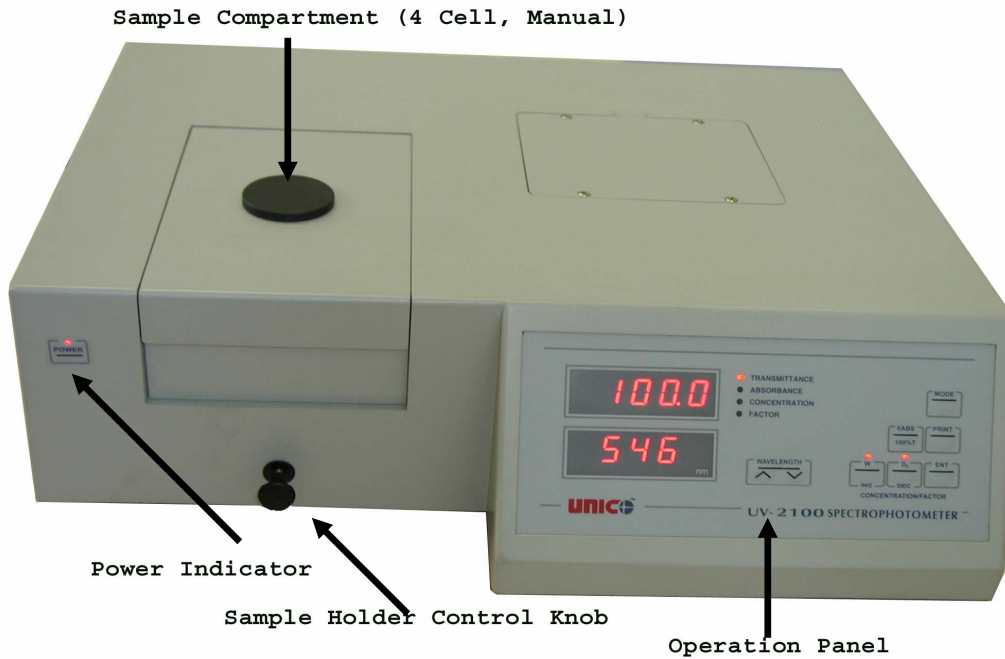


Figure-3 Model 2100UV Spectrophotometer

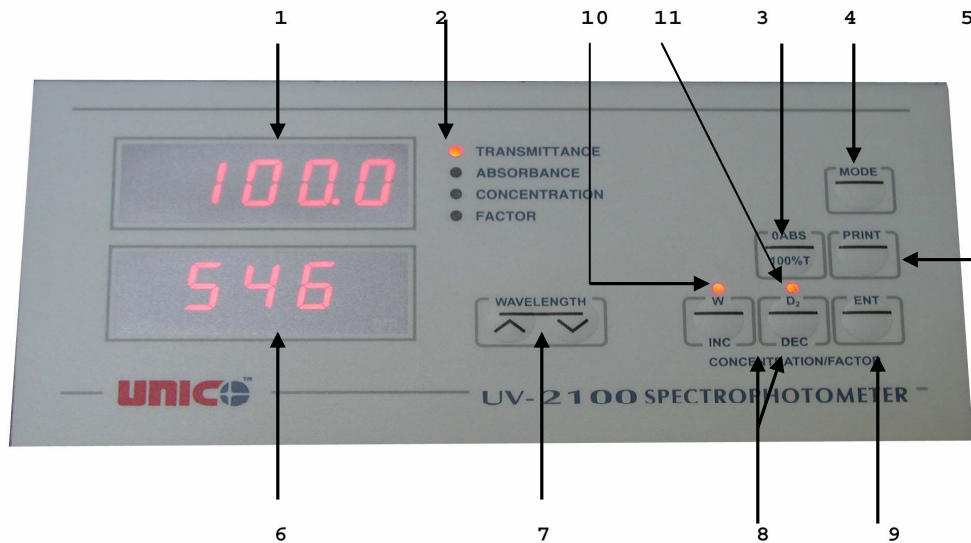


Figure-4 Operation Panel of Model 2100UV

Model 2100 Operation Panel

The Model 2100 has the similar outlook as Model 2100UV. It also has the following components:

- **Sample Compartment:** Accommodate different cuvette holders. 4-position Cuvette Holder is preinstalled in the standard package
- **Power Indicator:** Indicate whether power is on or off
- **Cuvette Holder Control Knob:** Select the sample position of the 4-position Cuvette Holder by pulling out or pushing in
- **Operation Panel:** has nine components, see below for details.

Figure-5 illustrated the detailed information of the **Operation Panel:**

1. **Data Display Screen:** Display the data of Transmittance, Absorbance, Concentration, and Factor modes.
2. **Mode Indicator:** The red LED light indicates the operation MODE. Allow the operator to know the measurement mode currently in use (**T**–%Transmittance, **A**–Absorbance, **C**–Concentration, and **F**–Factor).
3. **0A/100%T Button:** Blank the **2100/2100UV** when blank reference solution is in the Sample Compartment. Every time a new wavelength is selected, press **0A/100%T Button** to confirm. It will automatically blank the **2100/2100UV**.
4. **MODE Button:** There are four modes. **T** mode is transmittance mode; **A** mode is absorbance mode; **C** mode is to measure unknown sample concentration through a standard solution; **F** mode is to measure unknown value with a previously determined factor.
5. **PRINT Button:** Press to send **Data Display Screen** and **Wavelength Display Screen** results to RS-232C port and printer.
6. **Wavelength Display Screen:** Display the current/desired wavelength.
7. **Wavelength Control Buttons:** Allow user to select the desired wavelength with the **Λ** and **V** (increase and decrease) buttons.
8. **INC/DEC (Concentration/Factor Buttons):** Allow user to increase or decrease the displayed Concentration at **C** mode or Factor number at **F** mode.
9. **ENT Button:** First press at **C** mode enters reading on **Data Display Screen**. Other presses send displayed results to printer. If using **UNICO®** Windows-based Application Software, press this button to communicate with the software (refer to the **UNICO® 2100 Series Spectrophotometer Software User's Manual Version SB-2.10** for details). If operating in **F** Mode, then press to enter factor. This causes the Mode to enter the factor number and change to **C** mode.

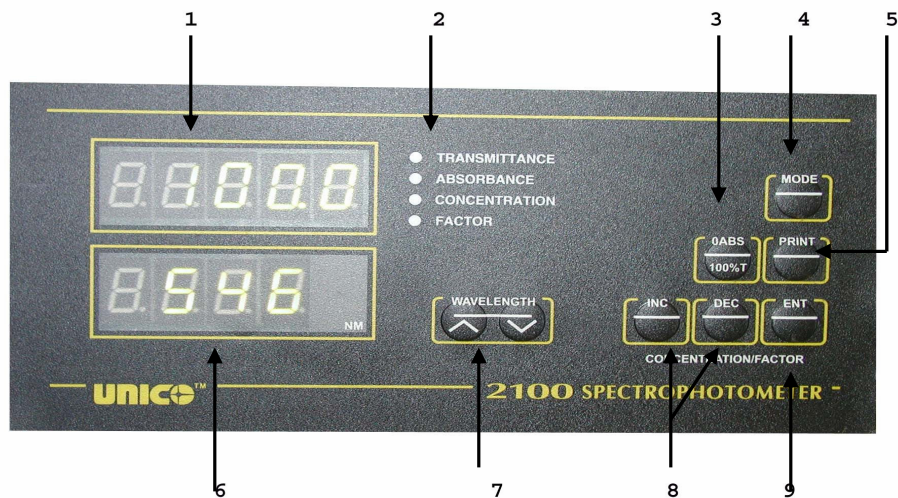


Figure-5 Operation Panel of Model 2100

Start-up Self-Calibration

The Model 2100 and 2100UV have self-calibration programs that begin when the instrument is powered on. The following are the steps taken automatically each time the instrument is switched on. Each step is displayed on the **Wavelength Display Screen**. Figure-6 to Figure 12 and Table-3 show the detailed information of the **Start-up Self-Calibration: P1 Process, P2 Process, P3 Process, P4 Process, Show UNICO Process, PC CONN Process, and Normal Start-up Screen**.



Figure-6 P1 Process

Table-3 Start-up Self-Calibration

Display	2100	2100UV
P1	Check the electronic components and positions secondary filters	Check electronic components, initiates lamp selection and positions secondary filters
P2	Monochromator locates starting position	Monochromator locates starting position

P3	Monochromator locate "0" order light and measure initial light energy	Monochromator locate "0" order light, and measure initial light energy
P4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monochromator go to 546 nm • Instrument sets 0%T <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiates RS-232C port. Show "PC-CONN" • Set 100%T (blank reference) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monochromator goes to 546 nm • Instrument sets 0%T. • Initiates RS-232C port. Show "PC-CONN" • Set 100%T (blank reference)



Figure-7 P 2 Process

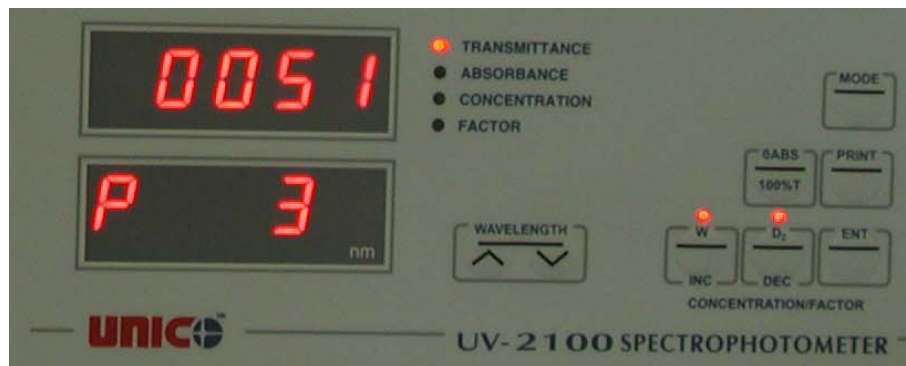


Figure-8 P 3 Process

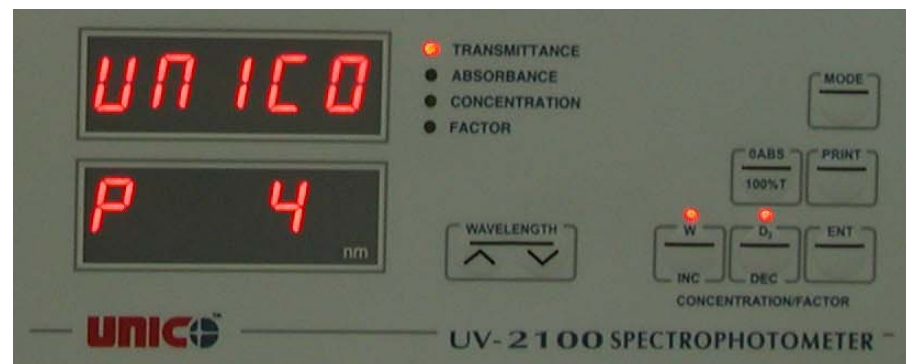


Figure-9 P 4 Process



Figure-10 Show UNICO Process

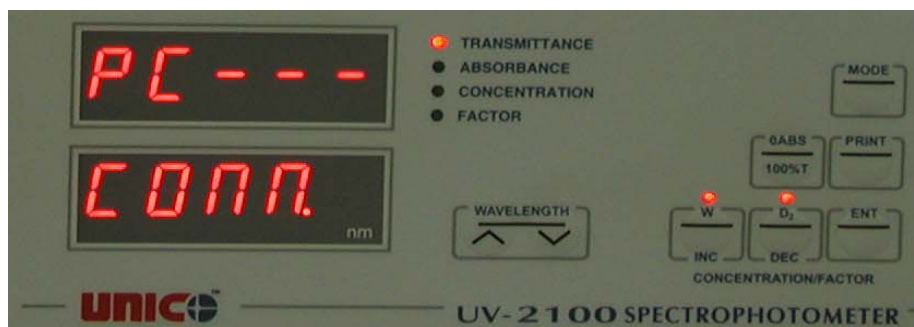


Figure-11 PC CONN Process

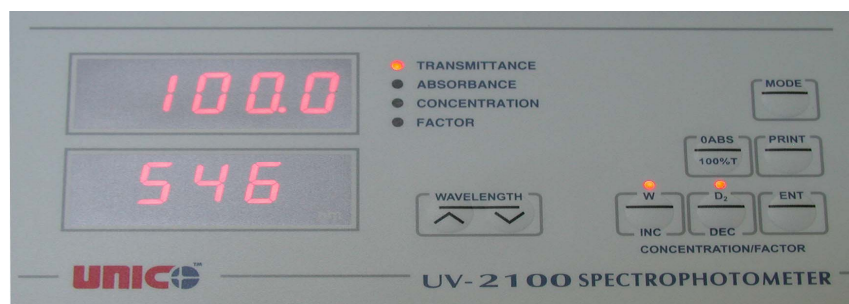


Figure-12 Normal Start-up Screen

Changing Cuvette Holders

There are seven different **Cuvette Holders (Sample Holders)** (refer to Figure-13 and Figure-14, from left to right):

- **S-2100-101P:** Test Tube Holder for 8~20 mm diameter test tubes. Includes Universal Base, one holder, and Top Hat for up to 150 mm tall test tubes
- **S-2100-102P:** Rectangular Long Path Cell Package for cells up to 100 mm pathlength. Includes Universal Base and one holder
- **S-2100-103P:** Single 10 mm Cuvette Holder Package. Includes Universal Base and one holder
- **S-2100-104P:** Cylindrical Cuvette Holder Package for cells up to 100 mm pathlength. (22 mm diameter). Includes Universal Base and one holder
- **S-2100-105P:** Water-jacketed Single Cuvette Holder Package for 10 mm cuvettes for

temperatures from 0~95°C. Includes Holder, Universal Base, and Flowthru Panel (Water Bath Required)

- **S-2100-106P**: Micro-Cuvette Holder Package for use with 10 mm microcuvettes. Includes adjustable x-y base and holder
- **S-2100-109P**: Peltier Flowcell Package for 25, 30 and 37°C. Includes p/n **S-2100-109**, peristaltic temperature/pump/flow-thru controller, p/n **S-2100-107A**, Peltier Thermal Electric Cuvette Holder and peltier/flow-thru

Refer to the **Attachment** in this Manual for the detailed **Installation Guide**. The only tool needed is a standard **Philips** head screwdriver.

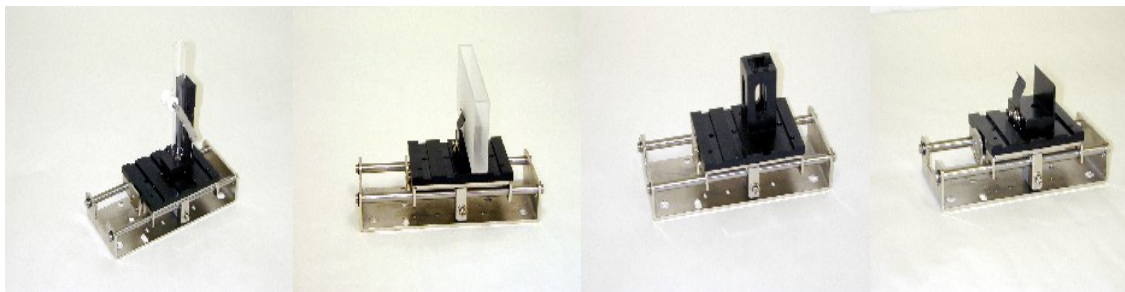


Figure-13 Cuvette Holder **2100-101P** to **2100-104P**

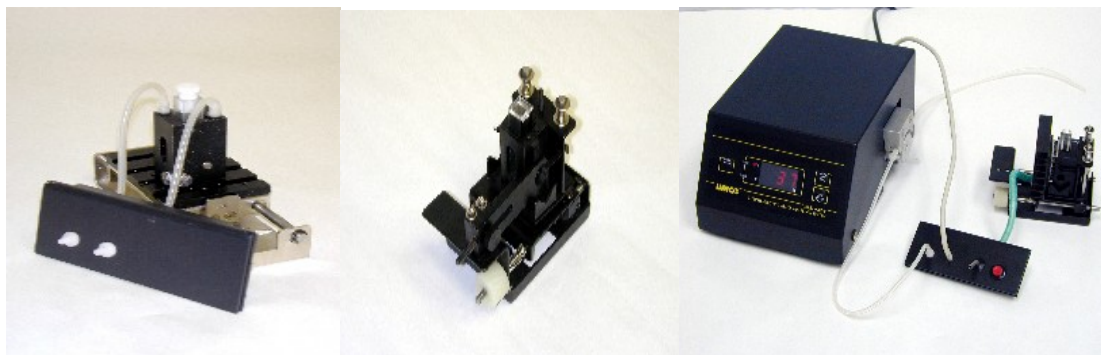


Figure-14 Cuvette Holder **S-2100-105P**, **106P** and **109P**

Basic Operation

Three Basic Operations: **Sample Preparation and Analysis**, **Concentration Mode--C**, and **Factor Mode** are shown in this section.

Sample Preparation and Analysis

A. Spectrophotometer Warm-up and %T Check

- I. Turn on the spectrophotometer by turning on the Power Switch (**IO**). Allow 15 minutes for the instrument to warm up.

Operational Note: The instrument performs four self-calibration checks every time the power is turned on. For details of the self-calibration and the error codes associated with this, please see the **Error Codes** section of this manual.

2. Select either the **T** (Transmittance Mode) or **A** (Absorbance Mode) by pressing the **MODE** button until the red light for **T** or **A** is on.
3. Select the desired wavelength by pressing the appropriate **Wavelength Control** buttons Λ and ∇ . At any time if the wavelength is changed, the **Data Display Screen** will display “BLA”. This serves as a reminder that a reference is necessary with the change of the wavelength and you need to push **0A/100%T Button** to blank.

B. Sample Preparation

4. Make a blank reference solution by filling a clean cuvette (or test tube) half full with distilled or de-ionized water or other specified solvent. Wipe the cuvette with tissue to remove the fingerprints and droplets of liquid.
5. Insert the blank cuvette into one cell of the 4-position Cuvette Holder. Push or pull the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** so that the cuvette is in the light path). Close the cover.
6. Set 0.000A or 100%T with the **0A/100%T Button**.
7. Remove the blank cuvette if you are testing more than three samples. Set it aside in the case that you may need to adjust the **0A/100%T** button later (i.e. change the wavelength).

C. Sample Analysis

8. Rinse a second cuvette with a small amount of the sample solution to be tested. Fill the cuvette half full and wipe it.
9. Put the sample cuvette in the Sample Compartment. Close the cover.
10. Read the **T** or **A** from the **Data Display Screen**. If you are reading more than one cuvette, be sure to carefully move the stage to the next position by pulling on the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** until you feel the holder “click” into place. Be sure to make note of the test results (or print) for each sample. Remove the sample cuvette(s).
11. If you are to test the same sample at other wavelengths, repeat **step 3 to 10** for each wavelength.
12. For each new sample you analyze, repeat **step 2 to 11**.

Concentration Mode

C is used for determining the concentration of unknown samples.

NOTE: *This method should only be used when the relationship between Absorbance and Concentration is known to be linear. The concentration of the Standard solution used to calibrate the instrument should be higher than the most concentrated sample.*

1. Select the desired wavelength by pressing **Wavelength Control** buttons Λ and ∇ turning the wavelength control knob.
2. Using the **MODE** button, select **A** mode.
3. Insert the cuvette containing the blank solution.
4. Set 0.000A with the **0A/100%T** button.
5. Using the **MODE** button, select **C** mode.
6. Insert a cuvette containing a standard solution of known concentration in the first position of the Sample Compartment and set the **Data Display Screen** to be the value of the standard by using the **INC** and **DEC** buttons.
7. Press the **ENT** button.

NOTE: If the reading changes, the factor required is too high (i.e. >1999) to be displayed. In this case, divide the concentration by 10; re-select the **C** mode by successive presses on the **MODE** button, cycling through the **F**, **T**, and **A** modes, and follow **step 2** above to set the concentration of the standard to the reduced value.

8. With the standard concentration set, determine the concentration values of samples with unknown concentration by inserting the sample cuvette into the Sample Compartment and reading the value direct from the **Data Display Screen**.
9. To read the value of the multiplier used to convert Abs to Concentration, after measuring all the samples, change the mode to **F** and read the multiplier from **Data Display Screen**. Keep a record of this value for future use.

Operational Note: if the mode switch is changed to read **F** or **A**, the Concentration **C** reading is “frozen”, and cannot be changed. This requires the operator to re-start at **step 1**.

Factor Mode

This is a special mode for measuring concentration values of unknown samples using a previously determined factor to convert absorbance readings to concentration.

1. After setting the wavelength, and setting zero Abs on the blank solution, using the **MODE** button, select **F** mode.
2. Insert a cuvette containing a sample.
3. Using the **INC** and **DEC** buttons, set the **Data Display Screen** to the desired value of the multiplier.
4. Press the **ENT** button. The spectrophotometer switches to the **C** mode.

Operational Note: If the Concentration of the sample is too high to be displayed, the instrument will not switch to **C** mode when the **ENT** button is pressed. Dilute the sample and multiply the concentration reading by the dilution factor to obtain the original sample concentration. If dilution is impossible or causes other problems, you may divide the factor value by “10” or “100” and follow **Step 1 to 4** to enter the “new” factor value. You need to calculate the sample concentration by multiplying readout with the multiple “10” or “100”.

5. Read the concentration value of the sample direct from **Data Display Screen**.
6. Insert a cuvette containing the next sample and read the result. Repeat until all samples have been measured.

Operational Note: If the **MODE** switch is changed to **A** or **T**, then the concentration reading is “frozen”. This requires the operator to re-start at **step 1**.

Output and Data Processing

Printer

Model **2100** and **2100UV** have a RS232C Interface connector that can be connected to any RS232 printers (**UNICO**® provides RS232 printer, p/n: **S-I 100-206**, as an optional accessory). It

requires a 9-pin, null modem connection cable. The RS232 Printer Setting should be as follows:

- **Baud Rate:** 9600bps
- **Parity:** None
- **Data Bits:** 8
- **Stop Bit:** 1

UNICO® Application Software

The **UNICO® Application Software--2100** is Windows-based software designed to operate with **UNICO® Spectrophotometer Model 2100 and 2100UV**. Model **2100** and **2100UV** uses its RS232C Interface connector to connect with a PC. The software runs on a PC with Windows® 95/98/Me/NT/2000/XP operating system installed. The Software offers two additional analytical methods: **Standard Curve** and **Absorbance vs. Time Kinetics**. It performs the following methods for analysis:

- **Absorbance/%Transmittance/Concentration:** measure the Absorbance, %Transmittance, Concentration/Standard, or Concentration/Factor at a single wavelength within the range of **325~1000 nm (200~1000 nm for 2100UV)**.
- **Standard Curve:** create a calibration curve (choice of 4 curve fits) with up to 8 standard solutions at a single wavelength to determine concentrations of unknown samples.
Absorbance vs. Time Kinetics: measure a sample's absorbance change over a selected period of time, store the test results in data table, and display the results graphically.

Refer to the **UNICO® 2100 Series Spectrophotometer Software User's Manual Version SB-2.10** for detail.

Maintenance

Lamp Replacement

A. Replace Tungsten-Halogen Lamp

1. Turn off and unplug the instrument.
2. Remove the four screws on the sides of the spectrophotometer.
3. Remove the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** by unscrewing the rod counterclockwise.
4. Remove the cover of the instrument very carefully and place it in front of the instrument.

HINT: Lift up about 3~4 inches, and once the instrument has cleared the backside grill plate, lift the back of the cover up towards the front. The front of the instrument will act as a "hinge". **BE SURE TO NOT PULL PANEL WIRING LOOSE!**

5. Unplug and remove the lamp from ceramic base (the white connector). Insert the new lamp; pushing it in as far as it will go.

Part Number: **S-2100-515** (6V 10W G4 type)

CAUTION: DO NOT HANDLE THE LAMP WITH BARE FINGERS. USE TISSUE OR CLOTH WHEN HANDLING LAMP.

6. Turn on the instrument. Set the wavelength at 340 nm, insert an empty cuvette, and blank the instrument. If the energy is low, adjust the lamp by “pulling” or “pushing” it so that the light beam is focused on the entrance slot of the monochromator. Since the lamp socket is pre-aligned, there will be minimum, if any, adjustment required.
7. Reinstall the instrument cover by positioning the front of the cover first and then sliding the back of the cover over the backside grill plate. Be sure all wires from the front panel are not pinched in the process.

*Note: The latest version of Model **2100/2100UV** has a lamp access door at the back of the instrument. If your Model **2100/2100UV** has the lamp access door, you do not need to open the cover. Just open this door to replace the lamp.*

8. Reinstall the four screws and the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob**.

B. Replace Deuterium Lamp

WARNING: Wear UV protection Glasses before changing the Deuterium Lamp!

1. Turn off and unplug the instrument (VERY IMPORTANT: **HIGH VOLTAGE**).
2. Remove the four screws on the sides of the spectrophotometer.
3. Remove the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** by unscrewing the rod counterclockwise.
4. Remove the cover of the instrument very carefully and place it in front of the instrument.

HINT: Lift up about 3~4 inches, and once the instrument has cleared the backside grill plate, lift the back of the cover up towards the front. The front of the instrument will act as a “hinge”. **BE SURE TO NOT PULL PANEL WIRING LOOSE!**

5. Remove the metal plate covering the **Deuterium** lamp by removing the two screws from the rear of the plate (make a note of the wire color and their matching connectors).
6. Remove the lamp by disconnecting the 3-wire connector and pulling straight up on the lamp socket. **DO NOT PULL on the lamp** itself. This may cause the lamp to break.
7. Replace the pre-aligned lamp with a lamp provided by **UNICO®** or an authorized **UNICO®** Service Provider (Call **1-800-588-9776** for details). This comes pre-assembled with lamp socket.
8. Reconnect the wire connector and be sure the lamp and lamp socket is securely in place (make sure the wire connection orientation is the same as **step 5**.)
9. Turn on the instrument. After the Start-up Self Calibration, select 300 nm and press **0A/100%T Button**. Check to make sure that the light beam is focused on the entrance slit of the monochromator. If it is not, adjust the mounting screws on the **Deuterium** lamp holder to align the lamp.

*Note: The latest version of Model **2100/2100UV** has a lamp access door at the top of the instrument. If your Model **2100/2100UV** has the lamp access door, you do not need to open the cover. Just open this door to replace the lamp.*

CAUTION: THE LAMP MAY BE HOT! TAKE PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT

POSSIBLE BURNS.

Wavelength Calibration Check

Normally the **UNICO® 2100** Series spectrophotometer retains its wavelength calibration indefinitely. However if the instrument receives a severe shock or is abused, use the following methods to check wavelength calibration. Please note that this test requires the **UNICO®** Didymium filter, p/n **S-2100-116**, or the Holmium Oxide filter, p/n **S-2100-115**.

In the filter method, the didymium filter has two distinct absorbance peaks at 529 nm and 807 nm. The Holmium filter has a distinct peak at 361 nm. When the instrument is calibrated properly you will find minimum Transmittance (maximum Absorbance) at the range ± 2 nm from these peaks. Note that the specific Transmittance values are not important as you are only looking for the wavelength where the minimum Transmittance (maximum Absorbance) occurs.

Note: *If you calibration filter has a certified peak/valley curve attached, please use the peaks on the curve to verify the instrument.*

Holmium Oxide Filter Method

1. Turn instrument on and allow it to warm up for 15 minutes.
2. Select the **A** mode.
3. Set the wavelength to 350 nm.
4. Make sure the cuvette holder is empty and place it in the Sample Compartment. Close the lid.
5. Set zero Absorbance by pressing the **0A/100%T** button. Wait a few seconds while the display flashes '**BLA--**'. The reading on the **Data Display Screen** should be 0.000A. If not, repeat **step 5**.
6. Remove the cuvette holder and insert the Holmium filter into it. Place it in the Sample Compartment and close the lid.
7. Record the Absorbance reading on the **Data Display Screen**.
8. Advance the wavelength setting by 1 nm and repeat **step 4 to 7**.
9. Repeat **step 8** until the wavelength setting reaches 370 nm.
10. Look for the maximum absorbance reading obtained, and this should be found between 359 and 363 nm. The wavelength accuracy of the **2100** is ± 2 nm.

Didymium Filter Method

1. Set the Wavelength to 800 nm.
2. Make sure the cuvette holder is empty and place it in the Sample Compartment. Close the lid.
3. Set zero Abs by pressing the **0A/100%T** button. Wait a few seconds while the display flashes '**BLA--**'. The **Data Display Screen** should then be 0.000A. If not, repeat **step 3**.
4. Remove the cuvette holder and insert the Didymium filter into it. Place it in the Sample Compartment and close the lid.
5. Record the Absorbance reading on the **Data Display Screen**.
6. Advance the wavelength setting by 1nm and repeat **step 2 to 5**.
7. Repeat **step 6** until the wavelength setting reaches 815 nm.
8. Look for the maximum absorbance reading obtained, and this should be found between 805 and 809 nm. The wavelength accuracy of the **2100** is ± 2 nm.
9. If a "middle" wavelength check is desired, set the wavelength to 522 nm (optional)

10. Make sure the cuvette holder is empty and place it in the Sample Compartment. Close the lid.
11. Set zero Abs by pressing the **0A/100%T** button. Wait a few seconds while the display flashes 'BLA'. The reading should then be 0.000A. If not repeat **step 11**.
12. Remove the cuvette holder and insert the Didymium filter into it. Place it in the Sample Compartment and close the lid.
13. Record the absorbance reading on the **Data Display Screen**.
14. Advance the wavelength setting by 1nm and repeat **step 10 to 13**.
15. Repeat **step 14** until the wavelength setting reaches 536 nm. Again, look for the maximum absorbance reading. It should be between 527 and 531 nm.

Absorbance Accuracy Check

Specification: $\pm 0.004A$ at 0.5A, $\pm 1\%$ at 2A.

The absorbance accuracy should be checked against a set of neutral density filters accurately calibrated to the NIST standards. Contact your **UNICO®** representative for more information (**1-800-588-9776**).

An alternative method using potassium dichromate is described below. Due to the many factors that might affect the results (i.e. temperature, bandpass, weighing and diluting errors), this method is less accurate and should only be used as a guide.

Reference: Johnson E A
 Potassium Dichromate as an absorbance standard
 PSG Bulletin 1967, No. 17, page 505

1. Make up N/100 sulfuric acid as the solvent and use part of it to make a solution containing 120 + 0.5 mg/liter of potassium dichromate.
2. Wash out a square cuvette with solvent, and fill with solvent.
3. Put the cuvette in the adapter into the Sample Compartment and close the lid.
4. Set the wavelength to 350 nm.
5. Set the **MODE** button to **A**.
6. Set the reading on the **Data Display Screen** to 0.000A using the **0A/100%T** button.
7. Empty the cuvette. Wash out with dichromate solution, and fill with dichromate solution.
8. Put the cuvette in the adapter into the Sample Compartment and close the lid.
9. Read the absorbance of the standard from the **Data Display Screen**. The value should be $1.288 \pm 0.02 A$. Refer to the notes above when interpreting the result.

Stray Light Check

Specification: Less than 0.3%T at 340 nm by ASTM E 387

A good indication as to whether the stray light level is within specification may be obtained as follows:

1. Set the wavelength to 340 nm.
2. Set the **MODE** button to **T**.
3. With the Sample Compartment empty, close the lid and press the **0A/100%T** button to set

- the display to 100.0%.
4. Hold the **MODE** key for at least 5 s. This will set the 0.00%T. This may take a few minutes.
 5. Prepare a solution containing 50 gm/L of sodium nitrite (NaNO₂) in distilled water and fill a square cuvette with this solution.
 6. Insert the cuvette into the Sample Compartment, and close the lid. The **Data Display Screen** display should read < 0.3%T. If the reading obtained in **step 4** is greater than 0.00, it should be subtracted from the displayed **Data Display Screen** to give the correct reading for the stray light value.

2100 and 2100UV Parts List

Table-4 **2100 and 2100UV Parts List**

Catalog #	Description
S-2100	UNICO® Model 2100 Spectrophotometer 5 nm Bandpass Wavelength range: 325~1000 nm, automatic wavelength change, Voltage preset at 110V Complete with 4-position Cuvette Holder, 4 matched Optical Glass Cuvettes RS-232C Port, Dust Cover, User Manual
S-2100-E	Same as Model 2100 but preset at 220 V
S-2100UV	UNICO® Model 2100UV Spectrophotometer 5 nm Bandpass Wavelength range: 200~1000 nm, automatic wavelength change, Voltage preset at 110V Complete with 4-position Cuvette Holder, 4 matched Optical Glass Cuvettes, 2 Quartz Cuvettes RS-232C Port, Dust Cover, User Manual
S-2100UV-E	Same as Model 2100UV but preset at 220 V
Software	
S-2100-401	UNICO® Application Software for PC's, Window's 95®/98® or above Required. Programs include Standard Curve, Abs. %T/Conc., and Abs.vs.Time. Includes S-2100-226 serial cable
Accessories	
S-2100-101P	Test Tube Holder Package for 8 to 20 mm diameter test tubes. Includes Universal Base, one holder, and Top Hat for up to 150 mm tall test tubes
S-2100-102P	Rectangular Long Path Cuvette Holder Package for cells up to 100 mm pathlength. Includes Universal Base and one holder
S-2100-103P	Single 10 mm Cuvette Holder Package. Includes Universal Base & one holder
S-2100-104P	Cylindrical Cuvette Holder Package for cells up to 100 mm pathlength. (22 mm diameter). Includes Universal Base and one holder
S-2100-105P	Water-Jacketed Single Cuvette Holder Package for 10 mm cuvettes for Temperatures from 0~95°C. Includes Holder, Universal Base, and Flowthru Panel (Water Bath Required)
S-2100-106P	Micro-Cuvette Holder Package for use with 10 mm microcuvettes. Includes adjustable x-y base and single Cuvette Holder for 10 mm square cuvette
S-2100-107P	Peltier Package for continuous temperature control from 15 to 40°C. Includes p/n S-2100-107A , peltier thermal electric 10 mm Cuvette Holder and p/n S-2100-107B peltier controller unit
S-2100-108P	Flow-thru Package for continuous temperature control from 15 to 40°C. Includes p/n S-2100-109 Flow-thru controller and p/n S-2100-108B flow-thru panel (requires flowcell and tubing)
S-2100-109P	Peltier/Zipper Package for flow through and continuous temperature control from 15 to 40°C. Includes p/n S-2100-109 , peristaltic/flow-thru controller and p/n S-2100-107A , Peltier Cuvette Holder with panel (requires flowcell and tubing)
S-2100-101	Test Tube Holder without base (Requires Universal Base)
S-2100-102	Rectangular Long Path Cuvette Holder without base (requires universal base)
S-2100-103	Single 10 mm Cuvette Holder without base (requires universal base)

S-2100-104	Cylindrical Cuvette Holder without base (Requires Universal Base)
S-2100-105	Water-jacketed Single Cuvette Holder with flow-thru panel but without base (Requires Universal Base, Water Bath)
S-2100-107A	Peltier Thermal Electric 10 mm Cuvette Holder with panel
S-2100-107B	Peltier controller unit for controlling temperature from 15 to 40°C
S-2100-108A	Flow-thru panel for use with ambient flowcell system (requires flowcell, tubing and p/n S-2100-109 flow-thru/peltier controller)
S-2100-109	Peristaltic Pump, Peltier Thermal Temperature, and Flow-thru Controller Only

2100 and 2100UV Parts List continued

Catalog #	Description
Accessories	
S-2100-111	Manual 4-position Cuvette Holder (included with 2100 and 2100UV)
S-2100-112	Universal Base. Accommodates up to 2 same or different type of holders
S-2100-113	Top Hat for test tubes with height of 75~150 mm
S-2100-114	Spacers for 5 mm Cuvettes
S-2100-115	Holmium Oxide Filter
S-2100-116	Didymium Filter
S-2100-120	Haake Model DC10-B3 water bath for temperatures from 25~100°C. For use with S-2100-105
S-2100-121	Haake Model DC10-K10 water bath for temperature ranges of -10~100°C. For use with S-2100-105
Output Device	
S-1100-206	Printer (requires S-1100-207 printer cable)
S-1100-207	Printer Cable (Male 25-pin to Female 9-pin, Null Modem)
S-2100-226	RS-232C Cable (9-pin to 9-pin Female/Female, Null Modem)
Glassware	
S-90-301	Test Tube Cuvettes, 10 mm Diameter, 12 pcs
S-90-302P-100	Disposable Cuvettes, Polystyrene, 10 mm Pathlength, 100 pcs
S-90-302P-500	Disposable Cuvettes, Polystyrene, 10 mm Pathlength, 500 pcs
S-90-305P	Semi-micro Disposable Cuvettes, Polystyrene, 4 mm window, 500 pcs
S-90-304G	Square Cuvettes, Optical Glass, Set of Two
S-90-309Q	Square Cuvettes, Quartz, 10 mm, Set of Two
S-90-308-50G	Cylindral cell, 50 mm pathlength
S-90-326G	Rectangular cell, Optical glass, 50 mm pathlength, with stopper
S-90-344FG	Flowcell, Optical glass, 4x12 mm window, 0.48 ml
S-90-346FQ	Flowcell, Quartz, 4x12 mm window, 0.48 ml
S-90-350G	Square cuvettes, optical Glass, 4 mm width 1.0 ml
S-90-351Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 4 mm width, 1.0 ml
S-90-352Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 4 mm width, with stopper, 0.5ml
S-90-353G	Square cuvettes, Optical glass, 2 mm width, 0.5 ml
S-90-354Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 2 mm width, 0.5 ml
S-90-355Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 2 mm width, with stopper, 0.5 ml
S-90-358Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 2x5 mm window, 0.100 ml
S-90-359Q	Square cuvettes, Quartz, 2x2.5 mm window, 0.050 ml
Misc. and Replacement Items	
S-1100-508	Printer Paper, Package of 3
S-2100-510	User Manual
S-2100-511	Dust Cover
S-2100-515	Tungsten-Halogen lamp for 2100 and 2100UV , Package of 2 (6V 10W G4 type)
S-2100-525	Deuterium lamp for 2100UV
S-2100-535	Fuse, 3A, quantity 1 (size 5 x 20)

Troubleshooting

Table-5 Troubleshooting

PROBLEM	Possible Cause	Solution
Instrument Inoperative (Power indicator has no light)	Power cord not connected to outlet	<i>Plug instrument in</i>
	Dead Power outlet Wrong voltage setting	<i>Change to a different outlet</i>
	Internal fuse blown or defective electronic component	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>
Instrument cannot set 100%T (0.000A)	No cuvette in the Sample Compartment	<i>Cuvette adapter must be in Sample Compartment to open sample holder shutter</i>
	Light beam blocked: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holder misaligned • Shutter 	<i>Check sample holder</i>
	Lamp is old or defective	<i>Replace lamp</i>
	Lamp is off alignment	<i>Refer to lamp replacement instructions in this manual</i>
	Defective electronic component	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>
%T cannot be set to 00.0%T	Sample holder	<i>Remove cuvette holder or test tube</i>
	Sample holder shutter	<i>May be stuck open Close shutter</i>
	Defective electronic component	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>
Incorrect Transmittance to Absorbance correlation	Bubbles or particles in solution	<i>Check sample preparation and analytical procedure</i>
	Defective electronic component	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>

Troubleshooting continued

PROBLEM	Possible Cause	Solution
Digital Display does not change regardless of sample concentration	Concentration reading “frozen”	<i>MODE switch has been changed from C to F, T or A and back to C Restart measurement procedure</i>
	Wrong wavelength setting	<i>Check sample procedure and wavelength setting</i>
	Insufficient sample volume	<i>Fill cuvette with more samples</i>
	Stray sample preparation vapors	<i>Prepare the sample away from the instrument. Use proper ventilation</i>
	Bubbles or particles in solution	<i>Check sample preparation and analytical procedure</i>
	Defective electronic component or loose wiring.	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>
Instrument drift and noise	No sufficient warm up time Significant temperature change Lamp not adjusted properly	<i>Check lamp has been properly installed or has moved during transit Refer to lamp replacement instructions in this manual</i>
	Lamp old or defective	<i>Replace with a new lamp</i>
	Sample Holder Misaligned	<i>Refer to lamp replacement instructions in this manual</i>
	Unstable power supply Defective or dirty detector or defective electronic component	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>

Troubleshooting continued

PROBLEM	Possible Cause	Solution
Incorrect readings obtained	Insufficient sample volume	<i>Fill cuvette with more samples</i>
	Wrong wavelength setting Failed to blank (0A/100%T) Failed to set 0%T	<i>Check analytical procedure and wavelength setting Check wavelength accuracy according to procedure in this manual</i>
	Stray sample preparation vapors	<i>Prepare sample away from instrument. Use proper ventilation</i>
	Bubbles or particles in solution	<i>Check sample preparation and analytical procedure</i>
	Instrument out of electronic calibration	<i>Call an authorized service engineer</i>

Error Codes

The **Error Codes** are the classification for errors detected automatically by the instrument. Each code represents different errors that occur during the self-calibration or during operation. The Error Codes are displayed on the **Wavelength Display Screen** and are defined as Table-5.

Table-6 **Error Codes**

Error Code	Definition/Function	Causes/Solutions
ERR 01	Instrument unable to initialize the lamp (2100UV) or secondary filter (2100)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Check power supply to see if proper voltage is selected</i> • <i>Open cover to instrument and check CPU board connections</i> • <i>Lamp-change-over motor or lamp initialization switch malfunctioning (2100UV)</i> • <i>Filter-driven motor malfunctioning (2100)</i> • <i>Call authorized service engineer</i>
ERR 02	Monochromator unable to locate starting position (2100); or initialize secondary filter will not initialize (2100UV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Monochromator contact switch or grating-driven motor is malfunctioning (2100)</i> • <i>Filter-driven motor malfunctioning (2100UV)</i> • <i>Call authorized service engineer</i>

Error Codes Continued

Error Code	Definition/Function	Causes/Solutions
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ERR 03	Instrument unable to locate “0” order light (2100 and 2100UV); or monochromator unable to locate starting position (2100UV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monochromator contact switch or grating-driven motor is malfunctioning (2100UV) • <i>Check tungsten-halogen lamp. Replace lamp if necessary (both)</i> • Monochromator contact switch loose or mis-positioning (both) • <i>Check deuterium lamp (2100UV)—WEAR UV-protective eyewear</i>
	Tungsten-halogen or deuterium lamp is misaligned or no longer functioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Check lamps by opening cover as instructed in this manual (See Maintenance)</i> • <i>Replace lamps if necessary</i> • <i>Contact an authorized service engineer</i>
ERR 04	Instrument is unable to locate 546nm and automatically set 0%T and 0A/100%T	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Check sample compartment and remove cuvette or any object blocking light path</i> • <i>Place the 4-cell sample holder in the proper position</i> • <i>Contact an authorized service engineer</i>

Attachment

Refer the following attachments for the **Accessory Installation Guide**:

- Universal Holder and Accessory Installation Guide (**2100-101P to 2100-104P**)
- Water-Jacketed Single Cuvette Accessory Installation Guide (**2100-105P**)
- Micro-Cuvette Holder Package Accessory Installation Guide (**2100-106P**)
- Peltier/Flowcell Accessory Installation Guide (**2100-109P**)

Universal Holder and Accessory Installation Guide (S-2100-101P to S-2100-104P)

Step 1 Remove all items from the accessory package and make sure that they are complete (refer to Figure-13 for the **S-2100-101P to S-2100-104P**):

⇒ A Universal Platform
The specified holder
Installation Guide

1 pc
1 pc
1 pc

- Step 2 The only tool needed is a standard **Philips** head screwdriver.
- Step 3 Remove the 4-position Cuvette Holder: Open the Sample Compartment cover and remove any cuvettes or any breakable items. Push in the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** (black knob) all the way back (First position is into the light beam).
- Step 4 Unscrew the Cuvette Holder rod by turning the knob counterclockwise until removed from holder. Gently slide the guide rod out of the Sample Compartment.
- Step 5 Looking over the Sample Compartment, remove the front screw (Figure-15).

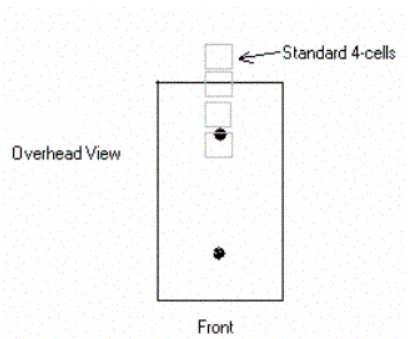


Figure-15 Remove Front Screw

- Step 6 To remove the back screw, place your hand ON TOP of the 4-position Cuvette Holder and gently slide towards the front. The back screw is then exposed and can be removed.
- Step 7 Insert Universal Holder by repeating **Step 4 to 6** in reverses.
- Step 8 Screw in your holder to any of the open four positions on the holder. **NOTE:** If a second holder is purchased (i.e. to make into a 2-position Cuvette Holder), place the second holder in a position so one position is skipped. For example, if the first holder is in position one, and then the second must be in either position 3 or 4 of the Universal Holder. (Two same type or different types of holders can be installed on the universal platform).

Water-Jacketed Single Cuvette Accessory Installation Guide (S-2100-105P)

Step 1 Remove all items from the accessory package made sure that they are complete (refer to Figure-14 for **S-2100-105P**):

⇒ A Universal Platform	1 pc
Water-Jacketed Holder	1 pc
Flow-thru Panel	1 pc
Installation Guide	1 pc

- Step 2 The only tool needed is a standard **Philips** head screwdriver.
- Step 3 Remove the 4-position Cuvette Holder: Open the Sample Compartment cover and remove any cuvettes or any breakable items. Push-in the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** (black knob) all the way back (First position Cuvette Holder is into the light path).
- Step 4 Unscrew the Cuvette Holder rod by turning the knob counterclockwise until removed

from holder. Gently slide the guide rod out of the Sample Compartment.

- Step 5 Looking over the Sample Compartment, remove the front screw (Figure-15).
- Step 6 To remove the back screw, place your hand ON TOP of the 4-position Cuvette Holder and gently slide towards the front. The back screw is then exposed and can be removed.
- Step 7 Insert Universal Holder by repeating **Step 4 to 6** in reverses.
- Step 8 Screw in the Water-Jacketed Holder to the first (front) position of the Universal Holder (platform). This is to prevent stretching the tubing.
- Step 9 Remove the front panel by sliding the panel up and out (Figure-16).

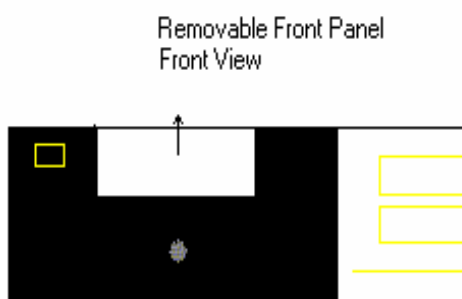


Figure-16 Removable Front Panel Front View

- Step 10 Insert Front Panel for Water-Jacketed Cuvette in place of removed panel.
- Step 11 Connect Water bath to the front panel tubing connectors (Figure-17).

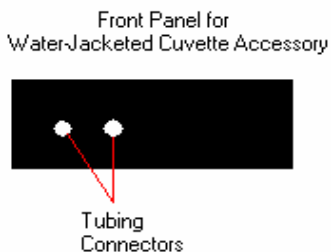


Figure-17 Front Panel for Water-Jacketed Cuvette Accessory

- Step 12 Set desired temperature on water bath (see instructions of water bath manufacturer).

Micro-Cuvette Holder Package Accessory Installation Guide for (S-2100-106P)

- Step 1 Remove all items from the accessory package made sure that they are complete (refer to Figure-14 for the **S-2100-106P**):
- ⇒ A Cuvette Holder with X-Y adjustable base 1 pc
Installation Guide 1 pc
- Step 2 The only tool needed is a standard **Philips** head screwdriver.
- Step 3 Remove the 4-position Cuvette Holder: Open the Sample Compartment cover and remove any cuvettes or any breakable items. Push-in the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** all the way back (First position Cuvette Holder is into the light path).
- Step 4 Unscrew the Cuvette Holder rod by turning the knob counterclockwise until removed from holder. Gently slide the guide rod out of the Sample Compartment.
- Step 5: Looking over the Sample Compartment, remove the front screw (Figure-15).
- Step 6: To remove the back screw, place your hand **ON TOP** of the 4-position Cuvette Holder and gently slide towards the front. The back screw is then exposed and can be removed.
- Step 7: Place the x-y adjustable base into the Sample Compartment by aligning the two alignment pins (parallel with the light beam) with the two holes on the bottom of the x-y base.

Tighten the rear screw. It may not be necessary to replace the front screw since the alignment pins will properly place the base.

Adjusting the Micro-Cuvette Holder

Step 8 Please turn on the power to the instrument if the unit is off. After self-calibration, the spectrophotometer will stop at 546 nm (green light)

Step 9 Place your micro-cell cuvette into the cuvette holder. The light beam should be in the center of the cuvette. If the green light is centered, you are ready to make your measurements. If the green light is not centered on the cuvette, please proceed to **Step 10**.

Step 10 You will need a basic screwdriver for the y-axis adjustment. The adjustment screw is located in the front-center of the holder (Figure-18).

- ⇒ If the light is too high (centered on cuvette, but not optimizing minimum volume), turn the adjustment screw counterclockwise until centered.
- ⇒ If the light is too low (centered on cuvette, but light beam is focused below window), turn the adjustment screw clockwise until centered.

A simple way of doing this is to monitor the transmittance reading on the display while adjusting the screw. The best position is that you get maximum transmittance reading on the display. This means that maximum light beam (energy) passes through the cuvette.

Step 11 If the light is left or right of the center of the cuvette, then the x-axis will need adjustment. For the x-axis adjustment, turn the white adjustment knob. The white adjustment knob is located at the front-right of the holder (Figure-19).

- ⇒ Remove the Front Panel (Figure-16).
- ⇒ If the light is to the back of the instrument, turn the knob clockwise until centered.
- ⇒ If the light is towards the front of the instrument, turn the knob counterclockwise until centered.

Once again the best way is to monitor the transmittance reading on the display while adjusting the knob. Turn the knob clockwise or counterclockwise until you get the maximum transmittance reading on the display. This indicates that light beam is centered to the cuvette window to the maximum (energy)

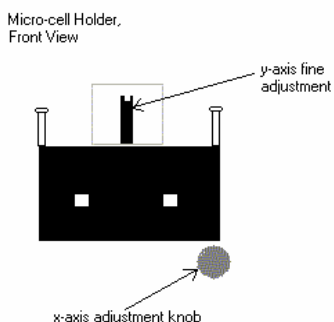
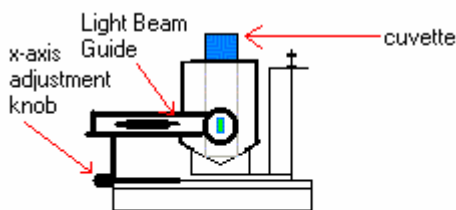


Figure-18 Micro-Cuvette Holder Front View



Micro-cell holder, right-side view.

Figure-19 Micro-Cuvette Holder Right-side View

(Note: Light beam guide is eliminated from latest design change)

Peltier/Flowcell Accessory Installation Guide (S-2100-109P)

Step 1 Check all items from the accessory package and make sure they are complete (refer to Figure-14 for **S-2100-109P**):

⇒ Peltier/Flowcell Controller with peristaltic pump	1 unit
Cuvette Holder with Peltier base and Flow-thru Panel with tubing	1 set
Installation Guide	1 pc
(flowcell is required and flowcell is not included in S-2100-109P package)	

Installation preparation and installation procedures (tool needed: standard **Philips** head screwdriver)

- Step 2 Remove the 4-position Cuvette Holder from the Sample Compartment: Open the Sample Compartment cover and remove any cuvettes or any breakable items. Push in the **Cuvette Holder Control Knob** (black knob) all the way back (First position Cuvette Holder into light beam).
- Step 3 Unscrew the Cuvette Holder rod by turning the knob counterclockwise until removed from holder. Gently slide the guide rod out of the sample compartment.
- Step 4 Looking over the Sample Compartment, remove the front screw (Figure-15).
- Step 5 To remove the back screw, place your hand ON TOP of the 4-position Cuvette Holder and gently slide towards the front. The back screw is then exposed and can be removed.
- Step 6 Remove the front panel by sliding the panel up and out (Figure-16).
- Step 7 Insert Cuvette Holder with Peltier Base into the Sample Compartment until the base is engaged into two hex-head guiding “pin”. Lock the base with the Philips type screws.
- Step 8 Align the Cuvette Holder so that maximum light will pass through the Cuvette Holder. This can be achieved by adjusting the Cuvette Holder horizontally and vertically with two setting “knobs”

AA) Horizontal setting: There is one knob located in front-right of the Cuvette Holder base for horizontal (backward or forward) adjustment. Turning this knob clockwise will “push” the Cuvette Holder backward and counterclockwise will “push” the Cuvette Holder toward you. Turn on the spectrophotometer and MONITOR the transmittance reading on the display. Locate the maximum transmittance reading on the display by turning the knob and this should be the best horizontal Cuvette Holder setting.

BB) Vertical setting: There is a long screw on top right behind the Cuvette Holder for vertical position adjustment. Turn this screw clockwise will raise the Cuvette Holder and vice versa. Locate the maximum transmittance reading and it should be the best vertical Cuvette Holder setting (Generally speaking the Cuvette Holder should be almost at its lowest position. The Z-dimension is 15 mm)

Minor adjustment may be required if micro flowcell is used after such flowcell is installed.

Step 9 Place Flowcell into the Cuvette Holder. Be sure to align the windows of the flowcell with the horizontal light path of the instrument.

Step 10 Insert Flow-thru Panel for Peltier/Flowcell Accessory in place of removed panel.

Step 11 Connect Peltier/Flowcell Controller to the Outlet Tube Connector (Figure-20).

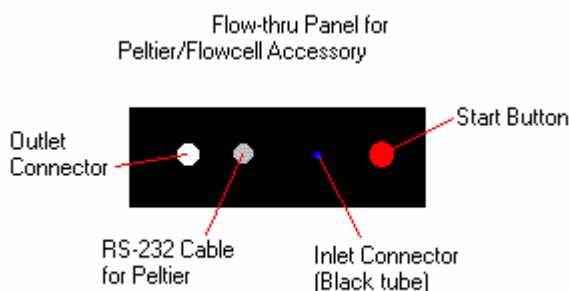


Figure -20 Flow-thru Panel for Peltier/Flowcell Accessory

Step 12 Connect the 9-PIN Cable from the Flow-Thru Panel to the back of the Peltier/Flowcell Controller (Figure-21).

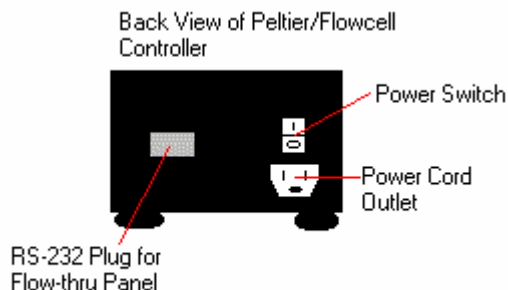


Figure -21 Back View of Peltier/Flowcell Controller

Step 13 Connect the tubing from the outlet connector of the Flow-Thru Panel to the Peltier/Flowcell Controller (Figure-22). Push the tubing into one of the two locking

positions on both the Front and Back side of the Peristaltic Pump.

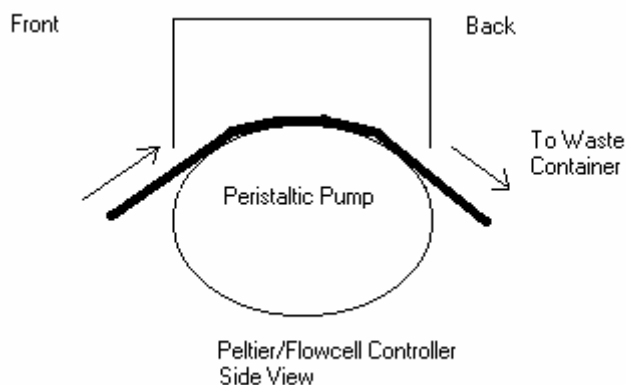


Figure -22 Peltier/Flowcell Controller Side View

Step 14

The external components are ready. Now, with tubing supplied by either the manufacturer or the user, connect the flowcell to the Flow-Thru Panel. Two different tubing will be needed inside the Sample Compartment: Inlet tubing: from inlet connector (pipe) to the flowcell. Depend on the type of flowcell; the inlet tubing may have a cap with thread. The inlet tubing is usually smaller in diameter.

Outlet tubing: from the flowcell to the outlet connector. This tubing is usually the same size as the tubing from the outlet connector to the peristaltic pump.

The length should be no less than 10 cm for each section of tubing. The Peltier/Flowcell Accessory is now ready for testing (Figure-23).

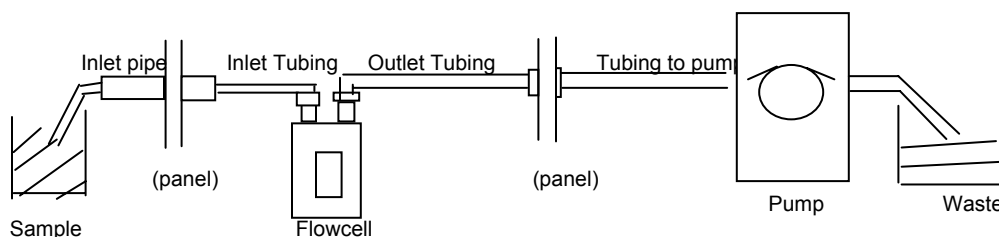


Figure-23 The Liquid Flow Chart

USING THE PELTIER/FLOWCELL ACCESSORY

Step 15

Turn on the spectrophotometer (if power is off) and Peltier/Flowcell Accessory. Select the temperature (25, 30, or 37°C) on the Controller. To do this, push the **Mode** button on the Controller so the temperature light is illuminated. Select the temperature using the “up” and “down” buttons (Figure-24).

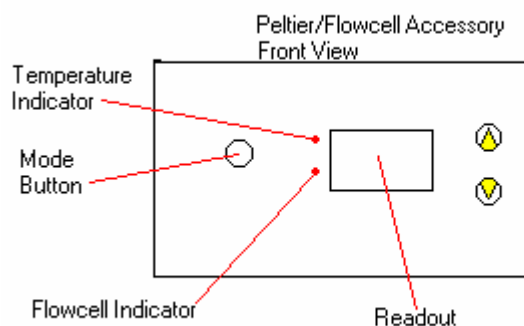


Figure-24 Peltier/Flowcell Accessory Front View

- Step 16 Press the **Mode** button on the Controller. The number showing is the number of seconds the peristaltic pump on the flowcell system will operate. To adjust this, use the “up” and “down” buttons. **PLEASE NOTE:** Since sample size and desired volume varies from sample to sample, the user must experiment to find the optimum pump time. If less volume to be used is desired, then decrease the Flowcell (pump) time. If more volume is needed, then increase the time.
- Step 17 To start the flowcell (pump), press the red button on the Flow-Thru panel on the front of the instrument. Repeat as desired.

NOTE: IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE FLOWCELL SYSTEM CLEAN. TO ENSURE A LONGERLIFETIME FOR THE FLOWCELL, PUMP WATER INTO THE SYSTEM WHEN NOT IN USE (I.E. OVERNIG