

PSP32 - Automated plant stress measuring system
*Automatically monitors all types of plant stress on
up to 32 separate plants over long periods of time.*



Automated *daylight dark adaption*
for **chlorophyll fluorescence**



Standard **chlorophyll fluorescence**
probe



Automated **chlorophyll content**
probe for *nutrient plant stress*



NDVI, NDRE, PPR & CCCI
automated probe for *drought &
nitrogen stress*

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Standard Versions

“Daylight-Dark-Adaption” Versions



Standard version

Available with:

- Blue or Red modulated light
- Measures Y(II) & ETR in day
- Measures F_V/F_M at night
- Computes Lake and Puddle Model Quenching parameters from pre-Dawn F_V/F_M and day time Y(II) parameters
- Automated modulated light intensity setup
- Either 10,000 μmol square top saturation flash or F_M' correction for Y(II) and ETR measurements
- Measures PAR and leaf Temp.
- Can integrate with soil moisture sensors & weather stations
- Can provide measurement output to drive external functions such as control of actinic light intensity or nutrient supply.
- *Custom protocol capability*

Daylight-Dark-Adaption version

Available with:

- **Everything in the standard version and more...**
- Can measure *Quenching Relaxation* parameters at different times of day Including:
 - The photo-protective xanthophyll cycle q_E
 - Photoinhibition q_I
 - Chloroplast migration q_M
 - State transitions q_T
 - Ruban & Murchie's* photo-protective $pNPQ$ & qP_d with color graphing.
- Can measure F_V/F_M at different times of day
- Can measure light saturation characteristics with Rapid Light Curves ETR_{MAX} , I_M , I_K , & α
- *Custom protocol capability*

PSP32 - *Automated* plant stress measuring system

*Chlorophyll Content Probe
using ratio-fluorescence*

*NDVI, NDRE, PPR Probe
independent of actinic light*



The Chlorophyll Content probe allows measurement in mg m^{-2} and will measure reliably from 41 mg m^{-2} up to 675 mg m^{-2} . It uses the Gittleston ratio fluorescence method that is independent of leaf size. It can measure at distances up to 1.2 meters with a field of view up to 1.2 meters. It also uses a modulated light that provides measurements that are independent of actinic light values. It is ideal for nutrient plant stress applications but may also be used for other types of plant stress.

The NDVI, NDRE, PPR & CCCI probe allows sensing of larger areas with a field of view up to 1.2 meters & up to a distance of 1.2 meters. This weather proof instrument allows measurement of drought stress in C_3 , C_4 or CAM plants as well as nitrogen stress.

Like the Chlorophyll Content probe, this probe fits on a standard 1/4 in. /20 tripod mount. The probe works with the PSP32 system or it can work separately with an independent data logger.

Options for plant variations

Moss and small plant mount



Scissors stand with articulating arm



Ground stake with articulation arm



Standard leaf holder



Large tripod with articulating arm



More Options

Solar kit



Heavy duty FL-Arm table top mount recommended for systems with dark hoods.



4 probe junction box



Probe link cables lengths of:

- 10 meters
- 20 meters
- 45 meters
- 60 meters

8 probe junction box



Cell phone modem - optional



More Options

Allows measurement output to external controls & instruments



PSP-4IB PSP32 Four channel signal output box

This accessory allows up to four separate control signals from a PSP32 measuring probe to communicate with other separate independent systems. Applications may include using measurement values to control growth chamber temperature or lighting. This allows PSP32 events or measurements to direct external functions of other systems.

Options include:

1. Up to 4 voltage outputs,
2. 4 current loop outputs,
3. or 4 N.O/N.C relay contact sets.
4. Any combination of these options may be chosen at time of order to create a custom configuration having a mix of output styles.
5. Up to 4 of these devices can be installed in a PSP32 system.

The PSP32 offers a text-based scripting capability. Special calculation scripts allow scaling of measurements or calculations to the output signal range. For example: Fv/Fm ranges from zero to 0.83 and scaling scripts allow the output to range from zero to 5 volts. Relays can be controlled by data variable levels or timed events.

Allows input of data from external weather stations



PSP-WS PSP32 Weather station input box.

Allows collection of weather station data at the same time as PSP32 measurement data in the same measuring file.

It may also be connected to an external CO₂ sensor.

The weather station input box has a standard PSP32 probe connection port on one side and an RS-232 data connection and status LED on the other. The RS-232 connector is a water resistant DB9 male connector with standard pin out. The data led flashes with the receipt of data to aid in connection troubleshooting.

Specifications:

Data Rate: 300Baud – 115.2KBaud

Parity: Even, Odd, None

Data Bits: 8 Bits

Handshaking: Hardware, None

Items Included: 1 PSP-SB, 1 3m PSP link cable (custom length cables available)

More Options

Allows soil moisture probe and soil temperature probe input



PSP32 PSP-PIB - 8 analog input channels

Each channel also supplies power for sensors. Up to 4 of these devices can be installed in a PSP32 system.

While this accessory allow soil temperature and soil moisture probes to connect to the PSP32, it is also possible to connect leaf wetness sensors, salinity sensors or other analog sensors to the system.

The device is controlled by a text script. The script is managed from the PSP32 like probe scripts. Each input can have data range scaling values, units conversion calculations and sampling interval functions set independently.

Specifications:

Channel Count: 8 channels.

Input Range: (Script selectable per channel)
+2.5V, +5.0V, +10V

Input connection: A 4 pin water resistant connector

Excitation Voltage Output: 5.0VDC max load
30mA per sensor.

Allows the PSP32 to control liquid nutrient and water distribution



PSP32 PSP-PP Peristaltic Pump Box

The PSP-PP provides a way for the PSP32 system to add the dimension of chemical solution additives to a test protocol. Up to 4 of these devices can be installed in a PSP32 system.

The device is meant to allow the PSP32 to add solutions to plants during a test run. The pumping action may be controlled by timed events or by inputs from other sensors. For example, A soil moisture sensors input can be used to meter out a watering solution based on sensor readings.

The pump action is configured by a text script. The script is managed from the PSP32 like probe scripts. This allows for configuring such settings as flow rate, duration, or dosing event triggering.

Specifications:

Flow Rate: 0 – 120mL/Min

Tubing Connection: 1/8 I.D. Silicone

Items Included: 1 PSP-PP, 1 3m PSP link cable
(custom length cables available)

Automated Monitor Fluorometer

PSP32 - Protocols and Parameters:

Light adapted -

Y(II): Quantum Yield of PSII

(or) $\Delta F/F_M'$

ETR: Electron transport rate

PAR: Photosynthetically Active Radiation

T: Leaf temperature

F_M' (or F_{MS}): Maximum fluorescence of a light adapted sample using a saturation pulse

F (of F_S): Fluorescence under light adapted conditions.

Either 10,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ square topped saturation flash or **F_M' correction according to Loriaux 2013**

Dark adapted -

F_V/F_M : Maximum photochemical efficiency of PSII

F_V/F_O : A more sensitive plant stress detector ratio.

F_O : Minimum fluorescence

F_M : Maximum fluorescence

F_V : Variable fluorescence

F_O' : Minimum fluorescence after exposure to far red light.

With red light measuring probe only - Kramer fast quenching parameters NPQ(T), $q_E(T)$ & $q_I(T)$

Quenching -

Hendrickson Quenching equations with NPQ, Y(NPQ), Y(NO), Y(II), & F_V/F_M

Kramer Quenching equations with q_L , Y(NPQ), Y(NO), Y(II), F_V/F_M

Baker Puddle Model Quenching equations with NPQ, q_N , q_P , Y(II), F_V/F_M

[The following measuring parameters require Daylight Dark adaption module](#)

Quenching relaxation parameters with

q_E , q_T , q_M , q_Z , & q_I

Ruban and Murchie's Quenching relaxation equations with pNPQ & qP_d

Rapid Light Curves

ETR_{MAX} , I_M , I_K , α

Other Specifications:

Light Sources:

Blue Saturation flash blue probe:

7,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ with F_M' correction

10,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ square topped flash

Red Saturation flash red probe

7,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ with F_M' correction

10,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ square topped flash

Modulated light

Blue 455 nm with a half bandwidth of 21 nm

Red 640 nm with a half bandwidth of 17 nm

Actinic light source

Blue - up to 5,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

Red - up to 5,000 $\mu\text{mols m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

Far Red light

Available with the Daylight-Dark-Adaption module to measure F_O' and to pre-illuminate samples before F_V/F_M measurement.

Detection method - pulse modulated

Detector and Filters- Pin photodiode with a 700 nm to 750 nm bandpass filter

Sampling rate - from 1 to 10,000 points per second depending on test and phase of test

F_M' Correction according to Loriaux 2013 for all light adapted modes, used during daylight hours.

Test Duration: Will measure samples 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for months at a time. Runs on solar power, battery power or mains current.

Storage Capacity: 2 Gb. of non-volatile memory supporting almost unlimited data sets and traces or more than 500,000 data sets.

Special Algorithms: 8 point rolling 25 ms average to determine F_M , F_M' , F_O & F_S . It eliminates saturation pulse NPQ and electronic noise as issues.

Output: Comma delineated files may be opened in Excel. Data may be retrieved by WiFi, Ethernet, USB stick or optional methods that include radio point to point, cell phone, or satellite phone.

User Interface: Color touch screen, or webpage remote control and data collection by computer or cell phone.

Accessory Specifications:

Chlorophyll content probe:

Y(II): Quantum Yield of PSII

Measured Parameters: CFR or Chlorophyll Fluorescence

Ratio - fluorescence emission ratio of intensity at 735nm / 700nm readout to 0.01, or relative chlorophyll content in mg/m^2

Measurement Area: From about 10 cm to about 1.2 meters in diameter.

Source: LEDs 460 nm blue diode half band width 15 nm.

Detector: Two solid state, high sensitivity detectors.

Band

limiting filter sets provided. Dual wavelength detection at

the same time. 700nm to 710nm, and 730 nm to 740 nm.

Storage Capacity: Up to 2 gigabytes of non-volatile flash

Modes: Single measurement or averaging of measurements

User Interface: Color touch screen

Output: USB 1.1, WiFi, & Ethernet are Standard

Temperature Range: 0-50 Deg C

Power Source: Mains power, Solar and battery option

Repeatability: is dependent on signal strength. For samples with low signal strength, averaging of multiple measurements is recommended. for samples with good signal strength, ratio values of +/- 0.03 or better, are common

Accessory Specifications:

NDVI, NDRE, PPR & CCCI probe:

Measured Parameters: NDVI, NDRE, PPR, CCCI

Measurement Area: From about 10 cm to about 1.2 meters in diameter.

Modulated light design: Prevents actinic light intensity differences from being an issue.

NDVI is Normalized Difference Vegetation Index

NDVI - ratio of $(r800-r670)/(r800+r670)$,
Range 0-1.00

NDRE is Normalized Difference Red Edge

NDRE- ratio of $(r800-r730)/(r800+r730)$,
Range 0-1.00

PPR is Plant Pigment Ratio

PPR - ratio of $(r540-r450)/(r540+r450)$,
Range 0-1.00

CCCI is Canopy Chlorophyll Content Index

CCCI - NDRE/ NDVI
Range 0-1.00

Storage capacity: 2 gigabytes of non-volatile flash memory.

User interface: Color touch screen, webpage based remote control or data logger with cell phone or computer control.

Mount: Standard 1/4 in. / 20 tripod mount