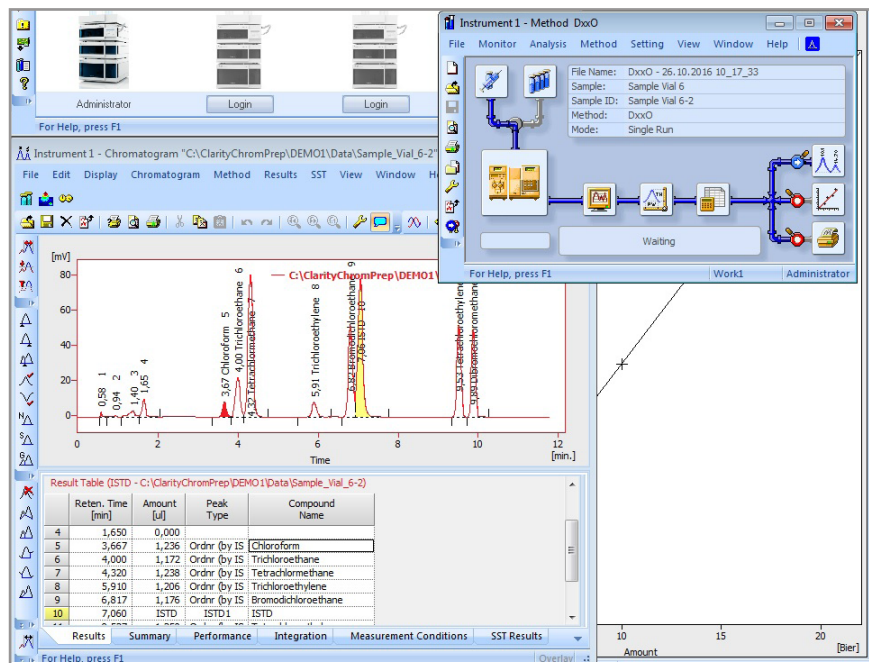


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Chromatography Software Version 7.4.2 Instructions





Note: For your own safety, read the instructions and observe the warnings and safety information on the devices and in the instructions. Keep the instructions for future reference.

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Product information



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Intended use



Note: Only use the device for applications that fall within the range of the intended use. Otherwise, the protective and safety equipment of the device could fail.

The chromatographic station ClarityChrom® is an effective tool for the acquisition, processing and evaluation of data from any as well as for the controlling of KNAUER HPLC systems. Additionally, further devices and systems with a digital interface are supported. Via an AD converter, data can be acquired from any gas or liquid chromatograph. In the maximum configuration, it is possible to measure on and control up to four chromatographs simultaneously, depending on their configuration.

The station is equipped with support for automatic co-operation with chromatographs and autosamplers.

ClarityChrom offers the possibility to work under fulfillment of the requirements of directive 21 CFR Part 11 of the FDA.



Beside the built-in fraction options, KNAUER offers a fraction collectors Add-on for ClarityChrom. This Add-on allows for controlling several fraction collectors and using special fractionation algorithms. Chapters and sections of this manual which refer only to the preparative option from KNAUER are indicated by the marginal icon of the KNAUER Prepline system.

Supported instruments

ClarityChrom currently supports the following KNAUER instruments:

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| Detectors | AZURA® DAD 6.1L AZURA® DAD 2.1L AZURA® MWD 2.1L AZURA® RID 2.1L / RID 2.1L HighFlow AZURA® UV Detector UVD 2.1L AZURA® UV Detector UVD 2.1S AZURA® Conductivity Monitor CM 2.1S PLATINblue PDA-1 PLATINblue MW-1 Smartline UV Detector 200 Smartline UV Detector 2500 Smartline UV Detector 2520 Smartline UV Detector 2550 Smartline UV Detector 2600 Smartline RI Detector 2300 Smartline RI Detector 2400 Smartline PDA Detector 2850 Smartline PDA Detector 2800 Smartline Conductivity Monitor 2900 WellChrom Detector K-2000/1 WellChrom Detector K-2500/1 WellChrom Detector K-2600 WellChrom Detector K-2700 WellChrom Detector K-2800 WellChrom Detector K-2300/1 WellChrom Detector K-2400/ Shimadzu Spectrofluorometric Detector RF-10AxI/RF-20A |
| Pumps | AZURA® Pump P 6.1L (isocratic, LPG, HPG, p-max mode, no constant pressure mode) AZURA® Pump P 2.1L (isocratic, LPG, HPG, no isobar mode) AZURA® Pump P 2.1S/4.1S (isocratic, HPG) PLATINblue Pump P-1 Smartline Pump 1050 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) Smartline Pump 1000 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) Smartline Pump 100 (isocratic, HPG) Smartline Pump 1800 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) WellChrom Pump K-1800 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) WellChrom Pump K-120 (isocratic, HPG) WellChrom Pump K-501 (isocratic, HPG) WellChrom Pump K-1000 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) WellChrom Pump K-1001 (isocratic, LPG, HPG) |
| Assistant | AZURA® Assistant ASM 2.1L |
| Column Thermostat | Column Thermostat CT 2.1 PLATINblue T-1 Smartline 4050 JetStream |

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| Interfaces (A/D converter) | Smartline Manager 5000 / 5050 (Interface module) IF2 / IFU 2.1 /IFU2.1LAN KNAUER HPLC Box 96 |
| Autosampler | AZURA® Autosampler AS 6.1L Smartline AS 3800 (Spark Marathon) Autosampler 3900 (Spark MIDAS) AS 3950 Knauer Optimas PLATINblue AS-1 |
| Valves | AZURA® VU 4.1 AZURA® V 2.1S Smartline Valves WellChrom Valves |
| Fraction Collectors | Smartline FC 3050 KNAUER Multi Valve FC KNAUER Virtual FC ISCO Foxy R1 ISCO Foxy R2 ISCO Foxy Jr. Buechi C660 |



Key features

- **Measuring**
Simultaneous data acquisition from up to twelve detector channels.
- **Integration**
There are extensive possibilities for modifying chromatograms. The chromatograms can be changed by entering global parameters or interactively, through the modification of the baseline.
- **Overlay**
Simultaneously displays a virtually unlimited number of chromatograms and their mathematical modification for example mutual deductions or derivations of any order.
- **Calibration**
Internal and external standard calculation methods, calibration of groups of peaks and reference peaks method for better identification.
- **Column performance**
Calculations of peaks in terms of symmetry, efficiency, resolution; all by several methods (tangent, moments, etc.).
- **Automated processes**
Sequence tables for any set of samples with or without an autosampler.
- **Post run**
Automatically displays, prints, exports and starts other programs after completion of measurement.
- **Batch**
Automatically batch processes, displays, exports or prints any number of chromatograms.
- **Result tables**
Displays and prints selected results from all simultaneously displayed chromatograms.
- **User calculations**
User can define custom calculations in the Result and Summary tables. Using the integrated editor you can create your own columns from the original columns and individual mathematical functions.
- **User settings**
User selects parameters for peak display and the specification for axes, including color from an extensive array of color settings. Text labels and lines, either as part of the area or anchored to a chromatogram, may also be inserted.
- **User accounts**
Sets up access rights and passwords (including their parameters e.g., minimum length, validity, etc.). Each user can define his or her own station appearance.
- **Export**
Optional export of all results with or without the chromatogram, in various formats (ASCII, AIA, dBase), into a file or clipboard.
- **Import**
Imports chromatograms or mathematical curves, which have been saved in text or AIA formats (CSW17, CSW32, ASCII, AIA), from other programs.

- SST (System Suitability Test)
An integrated module for monitoring the quality of the measurement.
- LC/GC/AS control
Integrated add on modules for controlling selected types of chromatographs and autosamplers.
- Audit trail
Records selected events and operations into a special file. Records selected operations directly into a chromatogram.
- Method and calibration history
Each chromatogram can easily be displayed under the same conditions as when it was printed, exported or saved.
- Electronic signature
Each chromatogram can be electronically signed. Signature selection is based on the user name or the signature certificate.
- Fraction Collection
Detector controlled fractionation and solvent recycling, triggered by time (volume), signal level and/or slope



Computer and operating system requirements

The ClarityChrom Workstation runs on Windows 10, Windows 8, Windows 7 SP1; all 32- and 64-bit, and Windows XP SP3, (32-bit only), and in any language version.

Windows 10/8.1/7/XP

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| CPU | Pentium 2000 MHz |
| RAM | 4 GB |
| Graphics | For a single system, an "onboard" solution (chipset or graphics processor) is sufficient. If more than one system has to be controlled, a separate graphics board is recommended. |
| Free disc space | 20 GB for installation and data storage. The program uses approx. 1 GB of disc space. The chromatogram file size of PDAs ranges between 2 and 5MB, for MS data the range is 3 - 6 MB. |
| Interfaces and PC slots | 1x USB for the licence dongle. Interfaces for connecting the devices, type and number depending on the supported interfaces (LAN, serial, USB), serial interfaces can be retrofitted with corresponding adapters. Some adapters require a special PC slot; drivers for those cards may not be available for newer Windows versions. |
| Optical drive | DVD-ROM drive for the installation |
| Monitor | minimum 1680 × 768, 64K colors (16 bit - high color); recommended 1280 × 1024 or 1680 x 1050, 64K colors (16 bit - high color) |

Installation



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Scope of delivery

Verify that the package is complete according to the packing list.

- ClarityChrom DVD
- USB hardware key
- ClarityChrom® Certificate with User Code
- Safeguard dongle protection
- Instruction sheet for the installation of ClarityChrom

Software installation



Note: The installation has to be performed under a local administrator account. If Windows has found updates to be installed, first install the Windows updates and reboot the computer before you install ClarityChrom.

Installing ClarityChrom is very simple. Firstly, please start Windows - if it is already running, close all the user programs currently in use including the antivirus software.



Note: Do not insert your USB licence dongle into the PC slot before the ClarityChrom software is installed.

Depending on the configuration, Windows may ask prompt you during installation if you trust the manufacturer and want to continue the installation. Always confirm with "yes". Otherwise it cannot be guaranteed that the installation is complete and the software works as described.

Insert the ClarityChrom® DVD into the DVD drive. After a period of about 30 s, the installation menu will appear.



Fig. 1 Installation, main menu

In case your DVD drive has no AutoPlay, please execute the file CDInstaller on the ClarityChrom DVD via your file manager, e. g. Windows explorer. You will then be guided through the installation. By clicking NEXT> you go to the next window. By clicking <BACK you go back to the previous window. At any time, you can interrupt the installation by clicking on CANCEL.

To install ClarityChrom, click on INSTALL ClarityChrom Software. The first window of the installation routine is opened. Select the language. You can change the language in the software later as well.

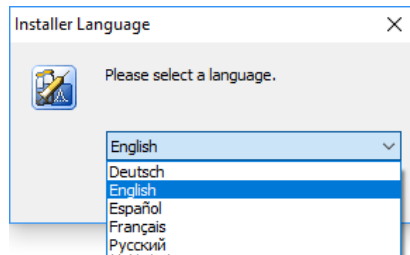


Fig. 2 Installation, language

The next window displays the License Agreement of the software.

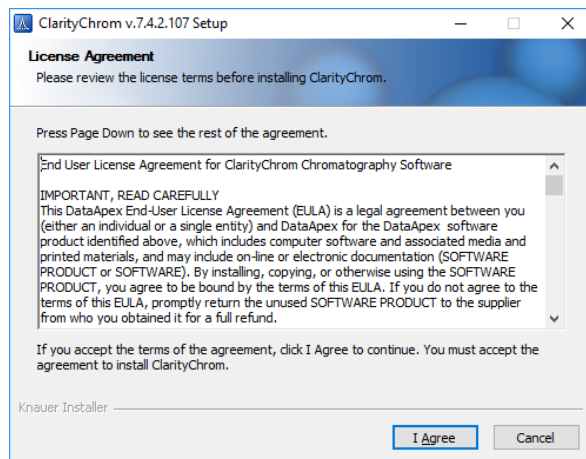


Fig. 3 Installation, License Agreement

The license agreement must be accepted with a click on <I Agree>. If you not agree with the license conditions, you are not allowed to install the software.

The next window displays the destination folder for the software installation.

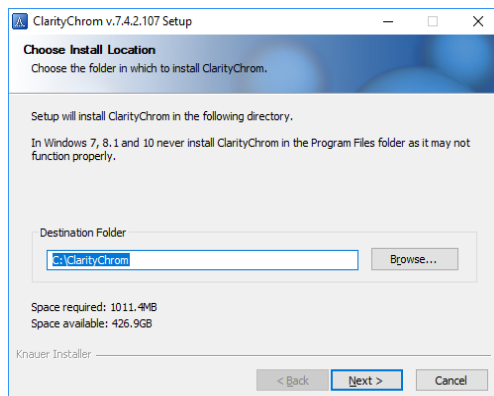


Fig. 4 Installation, selecting the destination folder

ClarityChrom suggests the destination folder C:\CLARITYCHROM . Accept this path by clicking on NEXT. If you want to set a different destination folder, click on BROWSE select the path in the field DESTINATION FOLDER. All program files, examples, and help files will be saved there.



Note: If you are installing the software on Windows Vista or higher, do not use any subfolder in C:\PROGRAM FILES. Windows protect the Program Files folder and does not allow to change any installed file. Due to this protection, e.g. the configuration cannot be saved.

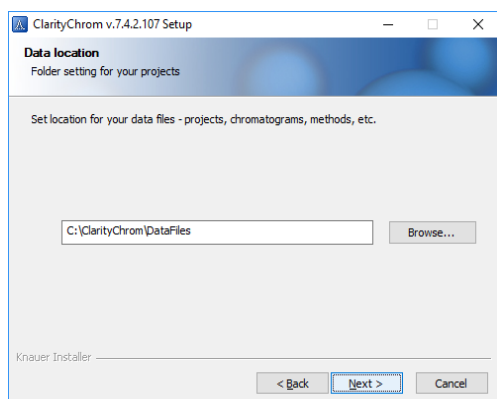


Fig. 5 Installation, choose data folder

Select the path where you want to store you data. If you would like to share the data in the network, you can select a network path. Make sure, the folder is shared to allow other users to access the data.

The next window displays the folder the software should store the files. It is recommended to use the suggested path.

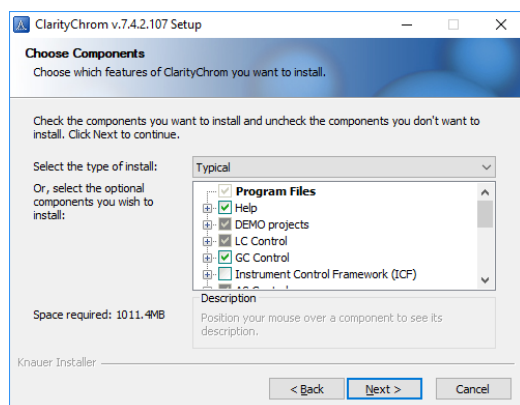


Fig. 6 Installation, choosing program components

Select the type of installation you prefer.



Note: KNAUER highly recommends to use the installation type: Typical. Especially you should not install the Agilent ICF drivers if you do not plan to control such a device. In some installations, we found that the Agilent ICF makes the computer system instable and causes software crashes.

The next window CHOOSE START MENU FOLDER suggests the Start Menu folder names ClarityChrom or ClarityChrom Prep. Of course, you can select

any other name. This name is totally independent of the path for the program files.

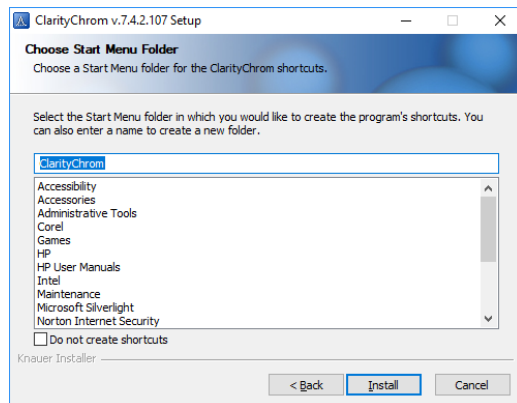


Fig. 7 Installation, start menu

If installation is running, as a part of the ClarityChrom installation, Microsoft Visual C++ Redistributable will be installed. Don't cancel this installation; it is required to run ClarityChrom properly later on.

Enter the user code of your license dongle. You find the user code on the ClarityChrom Certificate in the software packing.

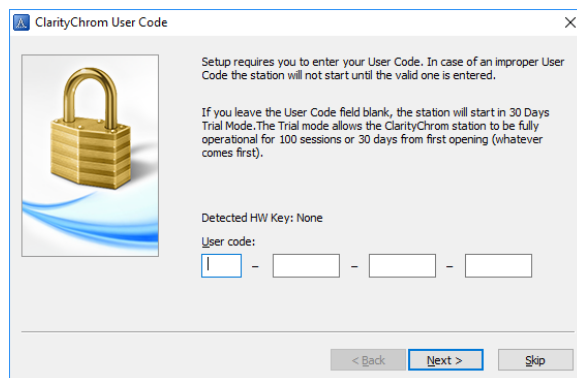


Fig. 8 Installation, user code

The installer will ask you to install different drivers, as for the USB license dongle and Data Apex A/D converters. You must allow the installer to install the drivers.

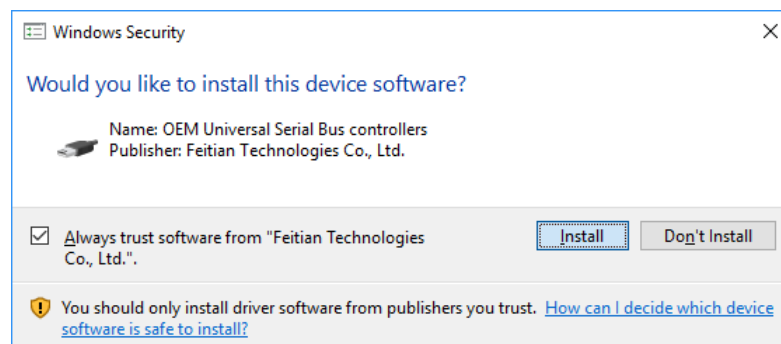


Fig. 9 Installation, Windows security window

Click on FINISH to complete the installation.

The "Notes and Tools" window shows some additional information. Click "Next" to proceed with the installation..

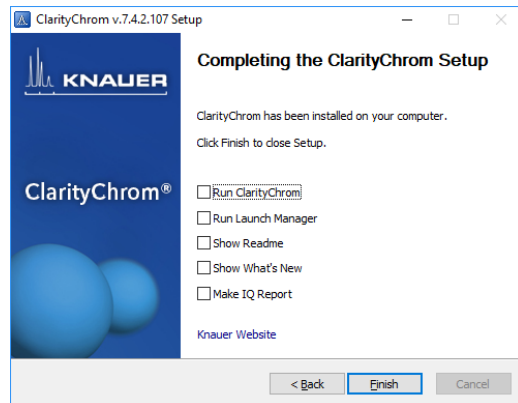


Fig. 10 Installation complete, reboot now

Click on FINISH to complete the installation.

Now your ClarityChrom software is ready to run.

Update installation

ClarityChrom 7.4.2 comes with the latest drivers. No update needs to be installed at this moment.

In case later on a hotfix must be installed for update device properties or fix a bug, the following procedure must be followed.

To install the update, run the installer with a double mouse-click. The Installation menu appears.

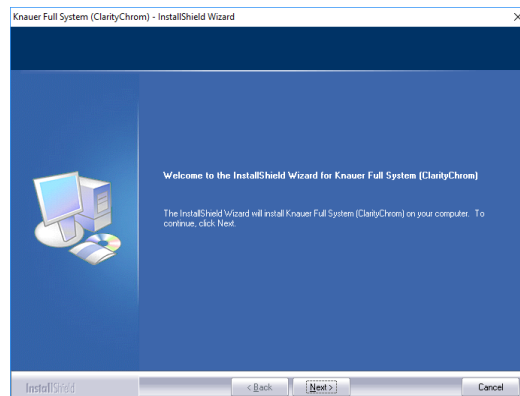


Fig. 11 Installation, KNAUER device driver

Click on NEXT to continue the installation.

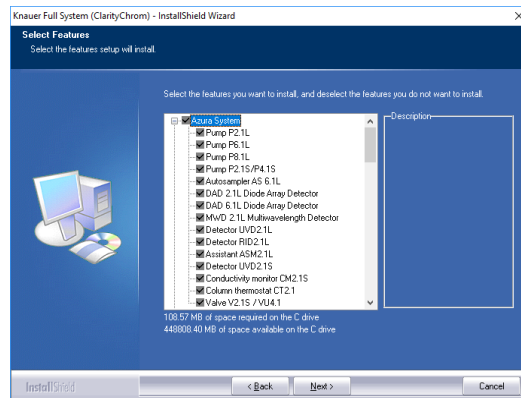


Fig. 12 Installation, device drivers

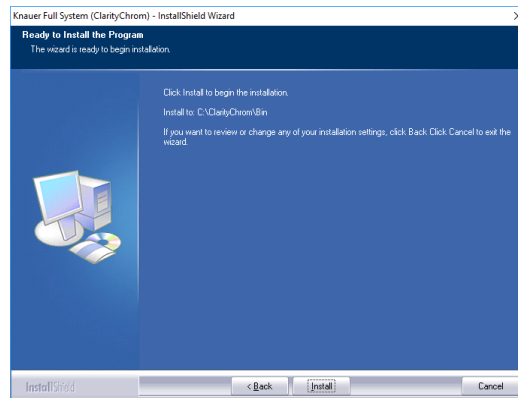


Fig. 13 Installation

Confirm the installation of the devices depicted by clicking on NEXT. The update has to be installed over an existing installation of ClarityChrom. The update installer will find the installation path automatically.

After the installation has finished, the following window will appear.

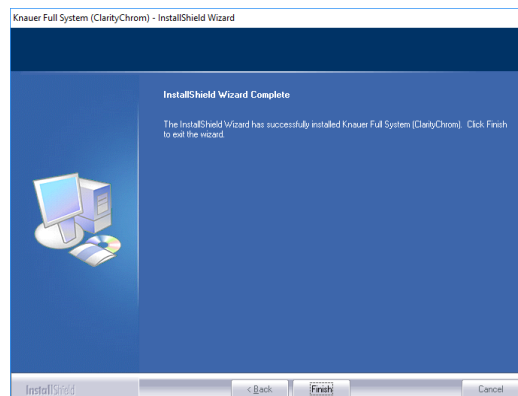


Fig. 14 Installation, finish

Click on FINISH to complete the installation.

Now your ClarityChrom software is ready to run.



Note: For running the ClarityChrom software make sure that your USB hardware key (licence dongle) is inserted into the PC slot.



Note: If the KNAUER driver update is installed, the ClarityChrom IQ will not pass anymore. Additionally, in the method window the driver files of the configured modules will be shown as "unauthorized modules". This is a known behavior, caused by a software enhancement. It will not influence the correct functionality of the driver or software stability.

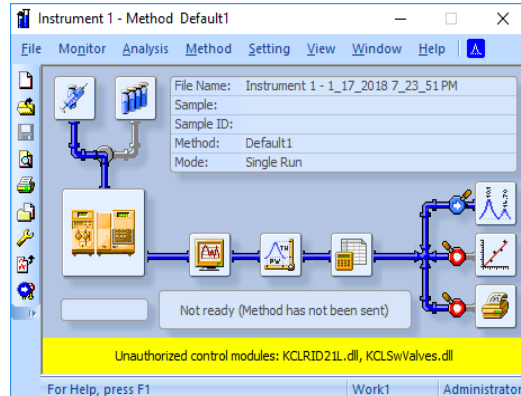


Fig. 15 KNAUER drivers as unauthorized modules

Software upgrade

Upgrades are full versions. Before the upgrade can be installed, the installed software has to be uninstalled completely. We also recommend to remove the former ClarityChrom installation folder to avoid problem with eventually existing files from the former installation. Before you remove the ClarityChrom installation folder, store all you old data, as chromatograms, methods etc., in a safe place.

Use the installation instruction enclosed with the software.

From version 6, ClarityChrom uses a new data format for chromatograms. This format is not compatible with the format, former ClarityChrom, up to version 5, have been used. The new ClarityChrom can convert chromatogram files from former versions and then open it. The converted files cannot be opened anymore by former ClarityChrom versions. We recommend to make a backup of all chromatograms, acquired by former ClarityChrom versions, before you open it in the new ClarityChrom.

Program structure and control

This chapter gives you a brief introduction in the main principles of ClarityChrom.



Note: For more detailed information refer to the reference and user manuals on the delivered DVD.

The ClarityChrom station has a hierarchical structure. After start-up, the main ClarityChrom window will be displayed containing the symbols of the connected systems. After clicking on the chromatograph image and entering a user name, the Instrument window will be displayed. This window is used for the data acquisition and manipulation of the connected chromatography system.



Note: The ClarityChrom station works with systems that are called "instruments". All detectors that are connected to the same instrument will share a common time base.

The ClarityChrom® main window

The main ClarityChrom window is designed to set the station's configuration, selecting access rights and basic directories for data storage.

Legend

- | | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| ① User login dialog (USER ACCOUNTS) | ④ Symbol of an activated system |
| ② System configuration dialog (CONFIGURATION) | ⑤ User name |
| ③ Digital outputs (DIGITAL OUTPUTS) | ⑥ Instrument name |
| | ⑦ Symbol of a deactivated system |

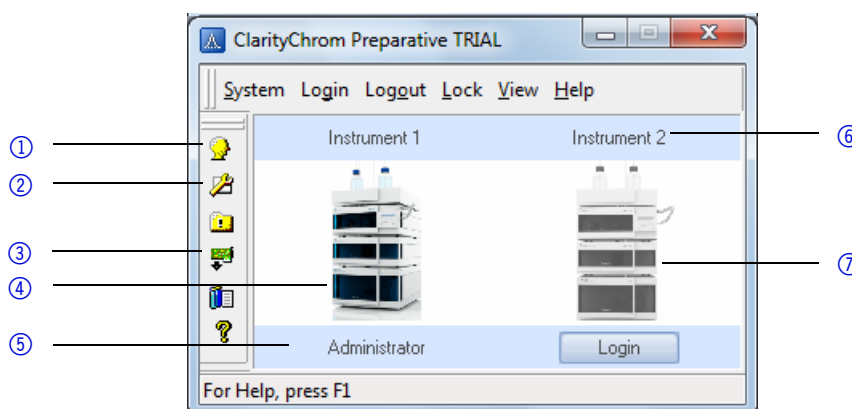


Fig. 16 ClarityChrom main window

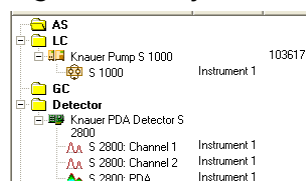




Fig. 17 System configuration dialog

The system configuration dialog (opened by the  icon or the menu sequence SYSTEM · CONFIGURATION) serves to specify the number of connected systems, their names, their corresponding instrument symbols and the type of the directly controlled devices.

The user login dialog (opened by the  icon or the menu sequence SYSTEM · USER ACCOUNTS) serves to administrate user names and passwords as well as specifying the respective individual rights for operation types (file access, modification of calibrations, integration parameters, etc.). Each user can adjust the appearance of the station.

The instrument window

The Instrument window measures and evaluates an analysis from a selected chromatography system. The window is displayed by clicking on the symbol of the relevant chromatography system in the main ClarityChrom window. Depending on the number of configured instruments being used, up to four independent Instrument windows can be displayed simultaneously.



Note: The ClarityChrom station must be set with as many instruments as you want to measure independent analyses.

Each Instrument window contains an Information Table, Status Line and Scheme of data processing. Windows are distinguished by line color in the Scheme and by the instrument name in the window header.

All dialogs that enable the performance of actions that may be required on a given instrument can easily be displayed from the Instrument window by clicking the corresponding icons in the Scheme or using commands from the menu.



Note: Sometimes it might happen that you cannot open any other window or the station will not react to your commands. This happens when working with what are known as, “modal windows”. A modal window is a window that, while opened, forbids work to be performed in any other window, particularly windows which are used to select files, set parameters, etc.

Legend

- | | |
|--|---|
| ① Instrument name | ⑩ Data acquisition window (DATA ACQUISITION) |
| ② Single analysis start/stop (Single Analysis) | ⑪ Data evaluation conditions (METHOD SETUP - INTEGRATION) |
| ③ Sequence window (SEQUENCE) | ⑫ Calculation (METHOD SETUP - INTEGRATION) |
| ④ Device status display and direct control (METHOD SETUP - DEVICE MONITOR) | ⑬ Project name |
| ⑤ Data acquisition (METHOD SETUP - ACQUISITION) | ⑭ User name |
| ⑥ Method setup GC/LC Control (METHOD SETUP - CONTROL) | ⑮ Report menu (REPORT SETUP) |
| ⑦ Measuring control options (METHOD SETUP -) | ⑯ Calibration window (CALIBRATION WINDOW) |
| ⑧ Run time of current run (TIME) | ⑰ Chromatogram window (CHROMATOGRAM WINDOW) |
| ⑨ Status display | ⑱ Information table |
| | ⑲ Method name |

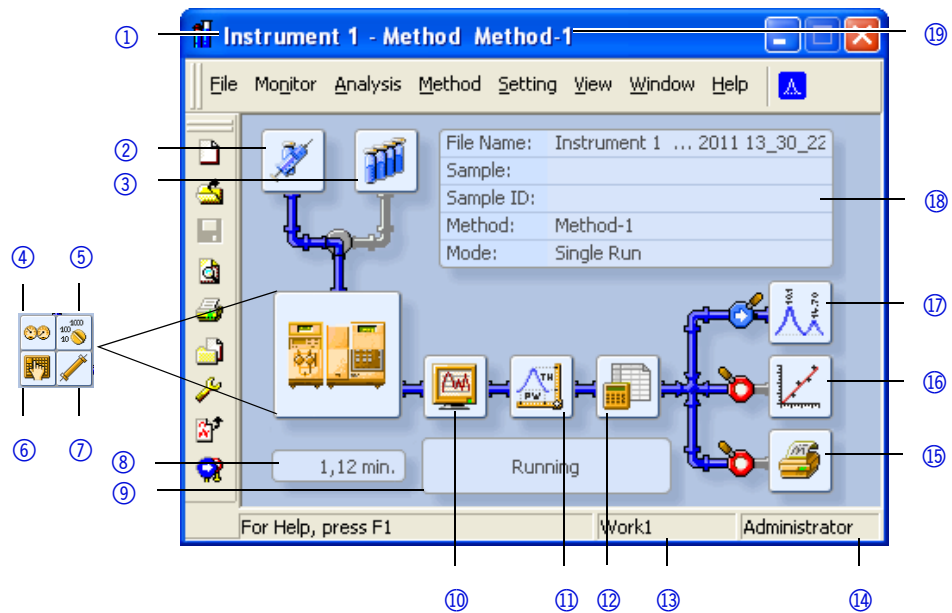


Fig. 18 Instrument window

The chromatogram window

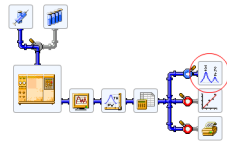


Fig. 19 Button for opening the chromatogram window (CHROMATOGRAM WINDOW)

The CHROMATOGRAM WINDOW window is the central window (opened by clicking the icon) for displaying, modifying and evaluating chromatograms.

Use the icon to open one of the chromatograms.

The results table for a selected chromatogram can be found in the RESULTS tab. If it is not automatically displayed, click on the label of the RESULTS tab in the bottom-left corner of the window or use the RESULTS · RESULT TABLE command.

Legend

- ① Chromatogram selection
- ② User legend
- ③ Switching to other chromatograms
- ④ Multiple detectors/chromatograms
- ⑤ Selecting the calculation method
- ⑥ Results table
- ⑦ Chromatogram modification

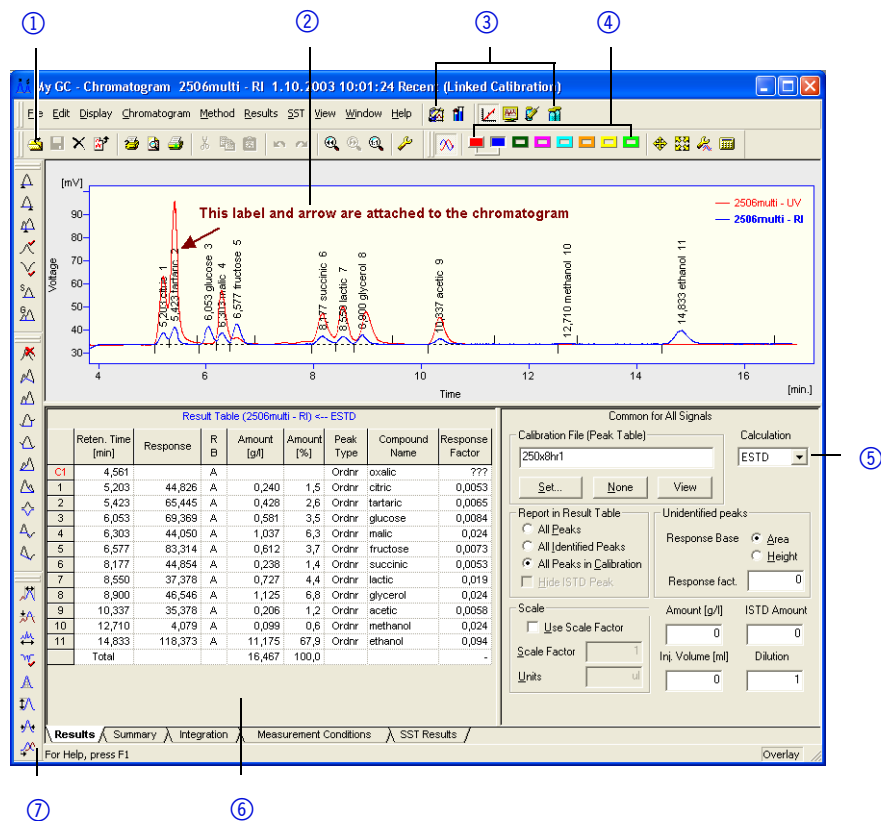


Fig. 20 Chromatogram window

The sequence window

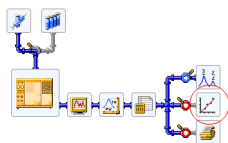


Fig. 21 Button for opening the calibration window (CALIBRATION WINDOW)

The Calibration window is used for creating, modifying and displaying calibration curves.

The global calibration table and calibration standard chromatogram are located in the COMPOUNDS tab.

Legend

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| ① File selection | ⑥ Global calibration table |
| ② Standard display | ⑦ Name of the calibration standards |
| ③ ClarityChrom window | ⑧ Individual connections |
| ④ Level selection | ⑨ Global calibration table and standards |
| ⑤ Type selection | |

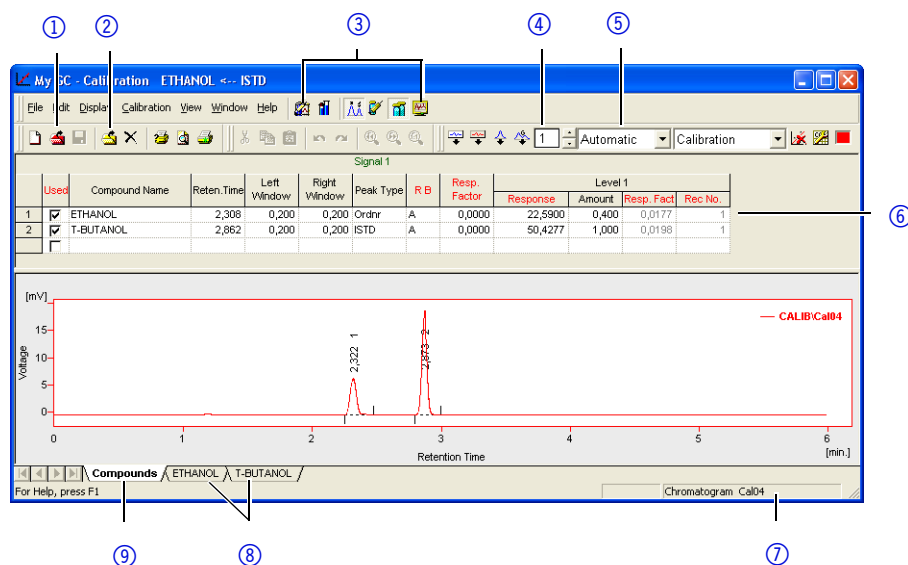


Fig. 22 Calibration window

Switch to the tab with the name of the compound to display its calibration curve.

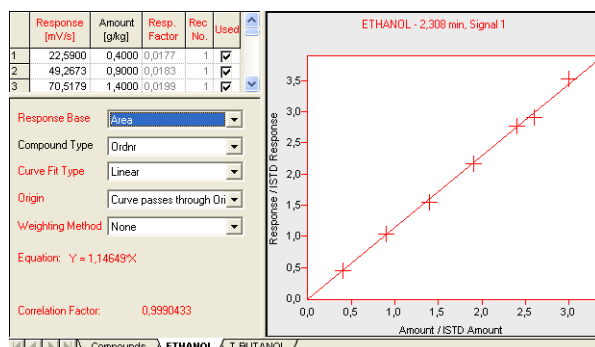


Fig. 23 Calibration curve window

The calibration window

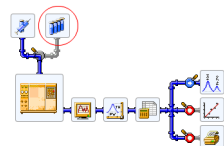


Fig. 24 Button for opening the sequence window (SEQUENCE)

The sequence window is used to define the sequential measurement of multiple samples.

Measurements are done individually in the table by row. Each row can define the way multiple samples are measured using the same method for multiple samples and/or by taking multiple injections of one sample.

| Sts. | Run | SV | EV | IW | Sample ID | Sample | Sample Amount | ISTD Amount | Sample Dilut. | Inj. Vol. [µl] | File Name | Std | Lvl | Method Name | Report Style |
|------|-----|----|----|----|-----------|--------|---------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-----|-----|------------------|--------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | blank | | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Blank | No | | Ethanol in blood | |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | std1 | 0.4 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal204 | Yes | 1 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | std2 | 0.8 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal209 | Yes | 2 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | std3 | 1.4 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal214 | Yes | 3 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 5 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | std4 | 1.9 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal219 | Yes | 4 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 6 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 1 | std5 | 2.4 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal224 | Yes | 5 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 7 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 1 | std5 | 2.6 | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Cal226 | Yes | 6 | Ethanol in blood | Calibration |
| 8 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 0442 | | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Pers01A | No | | Ethanol in blood | Chromatogram |
| 9 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0445 | | 0,000 | 0,000 | 1,000 | 2,000 | Pers01B | No | | Ethanol in blood | Chromatogram |

Fig. 25 Sequence window

Both an active and a passive operation are possible. An active sequence means that the station controls both the start-up and duration of individual analyses. If an autosampler is integrated into the system, use another active sequence. In a passive sequence, they are controlled in stand-alone mode by the chromatography system or the autosampler.

Active sequence:

- increases the reliability of mutual synchronization between ClarityChrom, the autosampler and the chromatography system.

- is required when controlling selected autosamplers through the AS Control module.
- requires the interconnection of a control signal from the ClarityChrom station to the autosampler.

Method setup

The parameters for determining and describing the conditions for measuring and evaluating are set in the Method Setup dialog. These settings are saved in the template method file.

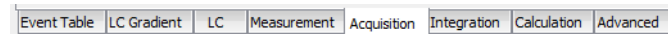








Fig. 26 Method setup dialog tabs

The METHOD SETUP dialog is divided into tabs that are directly accessible from the Instrument window by clicking on one of the following icons:

| | | |
|---|-------------------------------|--|
|  | METHOD SETUP - DEVICE MONITOR | Device monitor displaying status information and enabling online settings |
|  | METHOD SETUP - Measurements | Measurement conditions with optional settings for selecting the duration of a measurement. |
|  | METHOD SETUP - ACQUISITION | Parameters for signal measurement, voltage range, sampling rate, etc. |
|  | METHOD SETUP - INTEGRATION | Integration table. |
|  | METHOD SETUP - CALCULATION | Parameters for setting the type of calibration calculations. |
| | AS Control | Direct control of the autosampler |
|  | METHOD SETUP - CONTROL | Direct control of a chromatograph. |

First analyses

This chapter illustrates an exemplary model analysis that is designed to help demonstrate basic practical work procedures with the ClarityChrom station. Naturally however, this model does not address all of the stations capabilities.

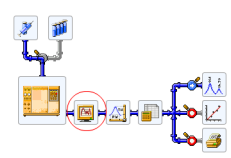
Program start

One of the ClarityChrom station's key advantages is its ability to measure immediately without having to make any lengthy preparation or settings. The only requirement is that your system is already configured.

- Click the desktop icon or select START · PROGRAMS · CLARITYCHROM · CLARITYCHROM CHROMATOGRAPHY STATION to start the program.
- Click on the image of the HPLC system or on the LOGIN button to open the Instrument window.

You can immediately run an analysis measurement by clicking SINGLE ANALYSIS and then RUN in the Instrument window. However, in this procedure, we will first explain certain functions before moving on to the measurement.

Signal recording



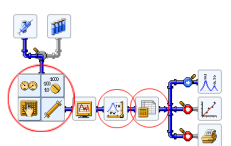
| Process | Figure |
|--|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Click on the DATA ACQUISITION WINDOW to display the current signal from detectors and check for drift and noise. 2. Close the window by clicking × or by clicking FILE · EXIT. |  |

Measurement and evaluation parameters

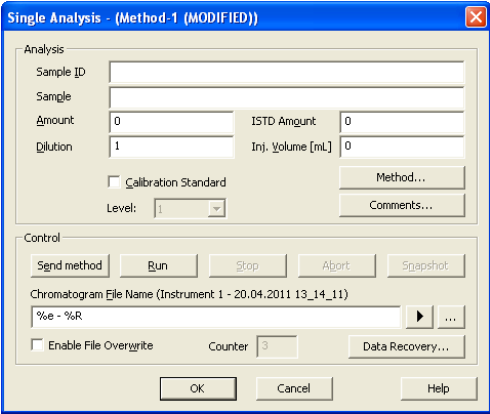
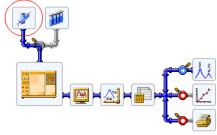
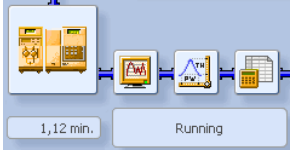
Certain parameters (voltage range, sampling rate etc.) must be set prior to measurement.




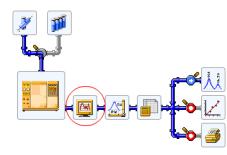
Note: Making changes during measurement would yield invalid results. Therefore the parameters are blocked during the ongoing analysis.

| Process | Figure |
|--|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Placing the cursor over the chromatograph icon will transform the icon into four separate icons. |  |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Clicking on one of the circled icons will display the contents of the current method in the Method Setup dialog. Another method file can be selected using the FILE · OPEN METHOD... command or the  icon. |  |

Analysis process

| Process | Figure |
|---|--|
| <p>1. Click on SINGLE ANALYSIS to open the Single Analysis dialog and enter the title of the analysis.</p>  <p>Fig. 27 Single analysis dialog</p> |  |
| <p>2. Run the analysis using the RUN command. During the run, the current measurement time and the RUNNING inscription will be displayed in the Instrument window in the status bar below the scheme.</p> |  |

Analysis recording

| Process | Figure |
|--|---|
| <p>1. Click the DATA ACQUISITION WINDOW to display the analysis procedure again.</p> <p>2. Left click the mouse button and drag to select the area to be magnified and then release the button. The original display can be returned by clicking the  icon or by double-clicking the left mouse button within the graph area.</p> |  |

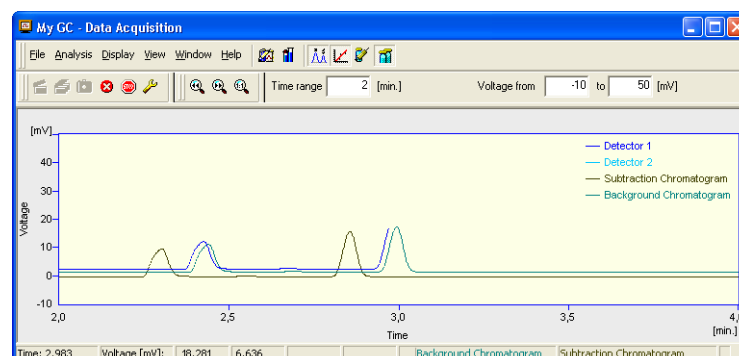


Fig. 28 Data acquisition window

Data acquisition can be controlled using following icons:

 SINGLE RUN,  SEQUENCE RUN,  ABORT, and  STOP.

The measured chromatogram can be compared to an already completed chromatogram, e.g. solvent, calibration standard, etc.

There are two ways to do this:



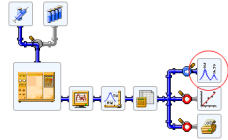
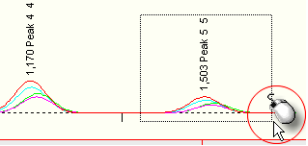
The FILE · SET BACKGROUND CHROMATOGRAM command selects which chromatogram is to be displayed in the background.

The FILE · SHOW SUBTRACTION CHROMATOGRAM command displays the automatically subtracted chromatogram defined in the Method Setup - Measurement dialog.

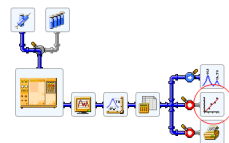


Note: The chromatogram in the background will only be displayed during data acquisition.

Chromatogram display and evaluation

| Process | Figure |
|--|---|
| <p>1. The completed analysis will automatically be displayed in the Chromatogram window. By clicking the  icon next to the CHROMATOGRAM WINDOW, the icon changes into . This switches off the automatic chromatogram display.</p> <p>2. Every saved chromatogram can be selected and opened by clicking OPEN CHROMATOGRAM in the CHROMATOGRAM WINDOW.</p> |  |
| <p>3. Just as in the window for signal monitoring, any section of the chromatogram can be zoomed to by left clicking, dragging to select the area and then releasing the mouse button.</p> |  |

Calibration



The creation and use of calibration curves is an extensive part of the ClarityChrom station. Calibration curves created from calibration standards are saved in separate calibration files. Each file can contain a virtually unlimited number of curves, which then can be calibrated at up to twenty concentration levels.

Calibrated results are obtained by creating calibration curves and saving them in a calibration file. Subsequently, a calibration file is linked to a chromatogram, and the required type of calculation (external or internal standard) is set.

Mobile Control with ClarityChrom®

If you open an ClarityChrom instrument while Mobile Control controls the devices, the control will be taken over by ClarityChrom. The Mobile Control will then only show the current status of the devices (Monitor Mode). The status of devices that are not supported in Mobile Control and software functions of ClarityChrom will not be displayed in Mobile Control.

If a program of the Mobile Control is running, it is possible to configure the system with ClarityChrom but it is not possible to open the instrument and to load a method. This is only possible if the program of the Mobile Control has ended.

The Monitor Mode will only work with KNAUER ClarityChrom drivers from version 5015 and Mobile Control up from version 2.2.0. Please note that every version of Mobile Control requires a minimum version of ClarityChrom drivers and device firmware. If you run former versions of software or app, Mobile Control must be closed before you open the ClarityChrom instrument. Otherwise ClarityChrom cannot establish communication with the configured devices.

Configuration - systems and devices

For a detailed description of the configuration, refer to the Reference Manual chapter 1.1.3 Configuration. The Setup and configuration must be performed in some steps. Firstly, all necessary devices have to be configured. The devices appear on the left panel ("Setup Control Modules") of the System Configuration window.

Legend

- | | |
|---|---|
| ① Configured devices | ⑫ Number of the digital device input or output (NUMBER) |
| ② Instrument number after the device has been assigned. | ⑬ METHOD SENDING OPTIONS |
| ③ Device serial number | ⑭ Help (HELP) |
| ④ Instrument tab | ⑮ Cancel configuration (CANCEL) |
| ⑤ Instrument type (INSTRUMENT TYPE) | ⑯ Save configuration (OK) |
| ⑥ Number of instruments (NUMBER OF INSTRUMENTS) | ⑰ UNITS SETUP |
| ⑦ Instrument name (NAME) | ⑱ Ready output device (READY OUTPUT) |
| ⑧ Opened instrument (IMAGE FOR OPENED INSTRUMENT) | ⑲ Start input device (EXT. START DIG. INPUT) |
| ⑨ Closed instrument (IMAGE FOR CLOSED INSTRUMENT) | ⑳ Device setup (SETUP...) |
| ⑩ Device section assigned to the selected instrument | ㉑ Information about device and driver versions (ABOUT...) |
| ⑪ Device name (INTEGRATION) | ㉒ Remove device (REMOVE) |
| | ㉓ Add device (ADD...) |

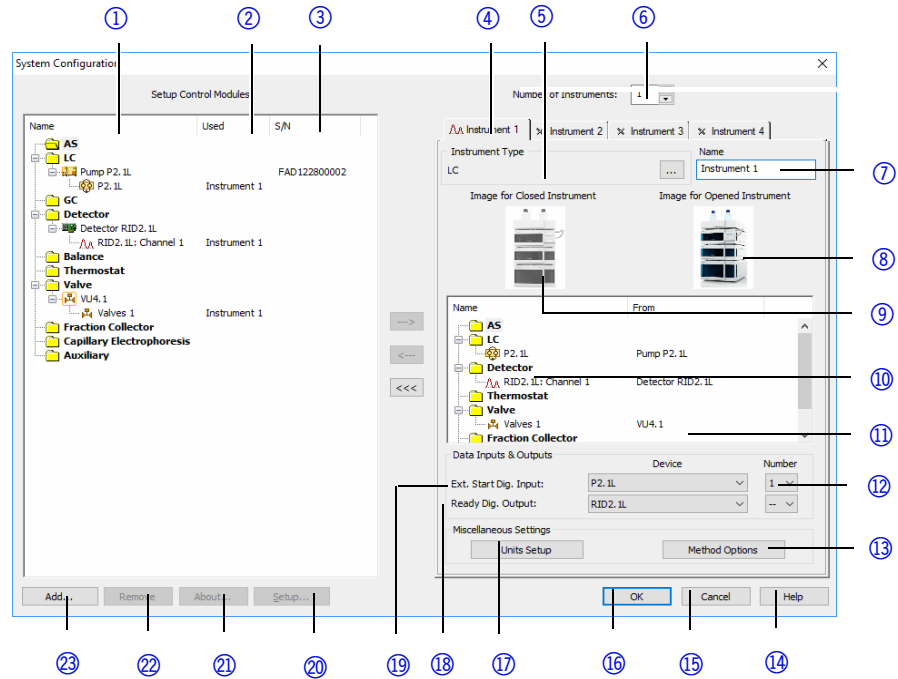


Fig. 29 System configuration window

For this purpose, click on ADD to open the list of available control modules. The modules are arranged in groups which can be displayed separately. For example, for an HPLC system you need the pump out of the LC group and a detector out of the Detector group. Each device must be configured separately.

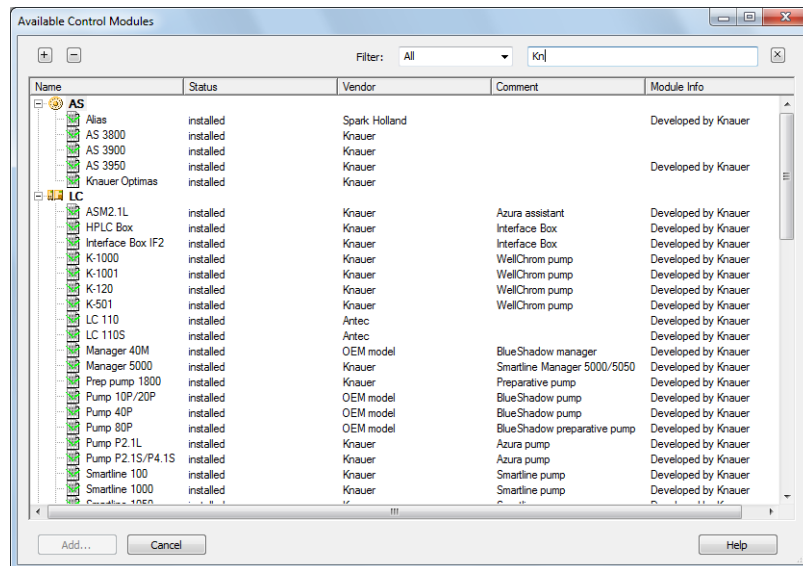


Fig. 30 Lists of available control modules filtered by "All - Kn(auer)"

Double click on the desired module or select it and click on ADD... to open the corresponding configuration window. The configuration window and its corresponding options are described along with the configuration dialogs of each device further down.

Complete the configuration dialog and click on OK to return to the system configuration window.

For each device a serial number must be entered, otherwise the configuration dialog cannot be finished. The FILTER allows you to limit the view to certain devices. As an example, selecting the filter ALL and entering KNAUER (KN is sufficient) will limit the view to those devices for which KNAUER is tagged as the device and driver manufacturer. Alternatively, the device name or a part of a name can be entered, e.g. 2.1L, to show only those devices whose name contains.

Configuration - device communication port

Some of the devices have two communication ports on the rear panel for controlling the device by the computer. One is an RS-232 port, also called serial or COM port; the other is an Ethernet port, also called LAN (Local Area Network). Beside the KNAUER valve drives, for all the devices the desired communication port must be defined in the device. The functionality may be limited when choosing the serial port. Please pay attention to the notes in the section on device configuration further down.

Device drivers of devices with a serial port only support one baud rate for the ClarityChrom workstation. Please pay attention to the notes in the section on device configuration further down.

Many devices, which have a LAN interface, have the possibility to choose if the device obtains its IP address from an DHCP server (LAN DHCP), e.g. a router, or if the device obtains a fixed IP address (LAN manual). The choice between these two options depends on your network configuration. If in the detector menu only LAN is offered, this refers to LAN DHCP.

Although the KNAUER detector Smartline 2600 has an additional USB or LAN port, this port is not functional; the device has to be controlled via the serial interface.

Please pay attention to the corresponding notes in this manual and refer to the device's manual for more information, how the desired communication port must be configured. Please note, that for some devices the functionality depends on the selected communication port.

Connections for device control from PC via LAN



Note: HPLC devices made by KNAUER work only with IP addresses which are assigned via IPv4. IPv6 is not supported.



Note: KNAUER devices require IP port 10001 to be opened in security software, as antivirus software or firewall. The autosamplers AS 3950 and AZURA® AS 6.1L additionally use IP ports 80, 2101 and 2362.

This section describes how to set up an HPLC system in a local area network (LAN) and how a network administrator can integrate this LAN into your company network. The description applies to the operating system Windows and all conventional routers.



Note: To set up a LAN, we recommend to use a router. That means the following steps are required:

Process

1. On the computer, go to the control panel and check the LAN properties.
2. Hook up the router to the devices and the computer.
3. On the computer, configure the router to set up the network.

4. Install the chromatography software from the data storage device.
5. Switch on the device and run the chromatography software.

Configuring the LAN settings

The LAN uses only one server (which is normally the router) from that the devices automatically receive their IP address.

Prerequisite

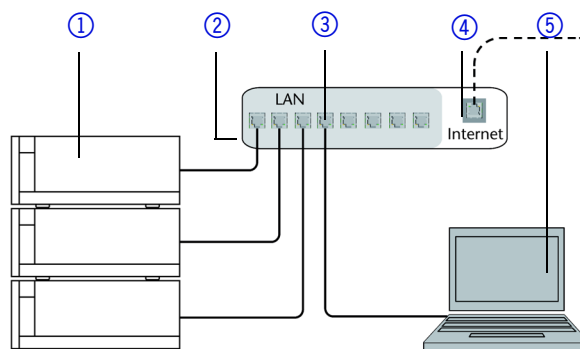
- In Windows, power saving, hibernation, standby, and screen saver must be deactivated.
- In case you use an USB-to-COM box, the option "Allow the computer to turn off the device to save power" in the device manager must be deactivated for all USB hosts.
- Only for Windows 7: For the network adapter, the option "Allow the computer to turn off this device to save power" in the Device Manager must be deactivated.

Process

1. For some drivers from Windows XP choose *Start* ⇒ *Control Panel* ⇒ *Network and Sharing Center*.
2. Double-click on LAN Connection.
3. Click on the button *Properties*.
4. Select *Internet Protocol version 4 (TCP/IPv4)*.
5. Click on the button *Properties*.
6. Check the settings in the tab *General*. The correct settings for the DHCP client are:
 - a) *Obtain IP address automatically*
 - b) *Obtain DNS server address automatically*
7. Click on the button OK.

Connecting the cables

A router ③ has several LAN ports ② and one WAN port ④ that can be used to integrate the LAN into a wide area network (WAN), e.g. a company network or the Internet. In contrast, the LAN ports serve to set up a network from devices ① and a computer ⑤. To avoid interference, we recommend operating the HPLC system separately from the company network.



You will find patch cables for each device and the router in the accessories kit. To connect the router to a WAN, an additional patch cable is required, which is not supplied within the scope of delivery.

Prerequisite

- The computer has been switched off.
- There is a patch cable for each device and the computer.

Process

1. Use the patch cable to connect the router and the computer. Repeat this step to connect all devices.

2. Use the power supply to connect the router to the mains power system.

Configuring the router

The router is preset at the factory. You will find a label at the bottom side of the router, on which IP address, user name, and password are printed. These information help to open the router configuration.

- Process**
1. To open the router configuration, start your Internet browser and enter the IP address (not for all routers).
 2. Enter user name and password.
 3. Configure the router as DHCP server.
 4. In the router configuration, check the IP address range and make changes if necessary.

Result Once the router has assigned IP addresses to all devices, the chromatography software can be used to remotely control the system.

Integrating the LAN into a company network

A network administrator can integrate the LAN into your company network. In this case you use the WAN port of the router.

Prerequisite There is a patch cable for the connection.

- Process**
1. Check that the IP address range of the router and of the company network do not overlap.
 2. In case of an overlap, change the IP address range of the router.
 3. Use the patch cable to connect the router WAN port to the company network.
 4. Restart all devices, including the computer.

Controlling several systems separately in a LAN

Devices connected to a LAN communicate through ports, which are part of the IP address. If more than one HPLC system is connected to the same LAN and you plan on controlling them separately, you can use different ports to avoid interference. Therefore, the port number for each device must be changed and this same number must be entered into the device configuration of the chromatography software. We recommend to use the same port number for all devices in the same system.



Note: The port is set to 10001 at the factory. You must use the same numbers in the device configuration of the chromatography software as in the device, otherwise the connection fails.

- Process**
1. Find out port number and change it on the device.
 2. Enter the port number in the chromatography software.


Result The connection is established.

Troubleshooting LAN

Go through the following steps, in case no connection between the computer and the devices can be established. Check after each step if the problem is solved. If the problem cannot be located, call the Technical Support.

1. Check the status of the LAN connection in the Windows task bar:





-  Connection not established

If no connection was established, test the following:

- Is the router switched on?
 - Is the patch cable connected correctly to the router and the computer?
2. Check the router settings:
 - Is the router set to DHCP server?
 - Is the IP address range sufficient for all the connected devices?
 3. Check all connections:
 - Are the patch cable connected to the LAN ports and not the WAN port?
 - Are all cable connections between devices and router correct?
 - Are the cables plugged in tightly?
 4. If the router is integrated into a company network, pull out the patch cable from the WAN port.
 - Can the devices communicate with the computer, even though the router is disconnected from the company network?
 5. Turn off all devices, router, and computer. Firstly, switch on the router and wait until its self-test is finished. Secondly, switch on the devices and the computer.
 - Has this been successful?
 6. Replace the patch cable to the device with that no connection could be established.
 - Has this been successful?
 7. Make sure that the IP port of the device matches the port in the chromatography software.

Configuration by downloading from the device

For nearly all KNAUER devices the configuration can be read-out and transferred (download) into the configuration window using the -button. This proceeding is highly recommended to avoid typos and other problems, while a device is configured manually. Select the used interface and click on . In this window all connected devices from the same model type will be listed. If the device is connected via RS-232, normally just one device will be displayed; via LAN several devices may be shown. As an example, in an HPG system consisting of 2 pumps S 1050, which are both controlled via LAN, both pumps are displayed. Select the device you want to add and click on SELECT # to read out the configuration data of the selected device and download the information into the configuration window. Please note that devices have to be named differently in the configuration. If you use two

devices of the same model, at least one device name has to be changed because the default name is identical for both devices.

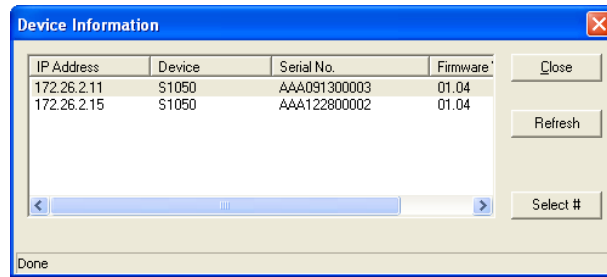


Fig. 31 Device information window with 2 pumps model S 1050

Configuration - KNAUER pumps

The following KNAUER pumps are supported by ClarityChrom: AZURA® P 6.1L and P 2.1L, AZURA® P 2.1S/P 4.1S, PLATINblue P-1, Smartline Pumps S 1050, S 1000, and S 100, Preparative Pump 1800, and WellChrom Pumps K-1800, K-1001/ K-1000, K-501, and K-120. Please note that during the setup of the pump, the interface over which the device should be controlled is selected. The interface should match the interface defined in the software. Please pay attention to the device-specific notes below. In ClarityChrom an ClarityChrom Prep, the Isobar mode of the pump P 2.1L and the Constant Pressure Mode of the pump P 6.1L are not supported.

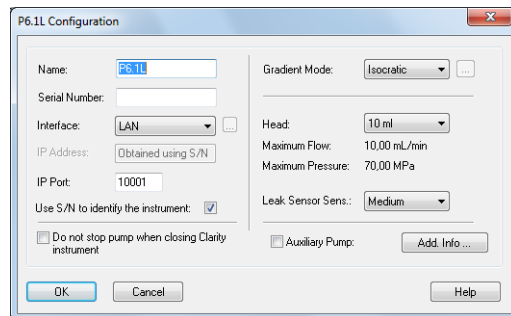


Fig. 32 Configuration window of the pump P 6.1L

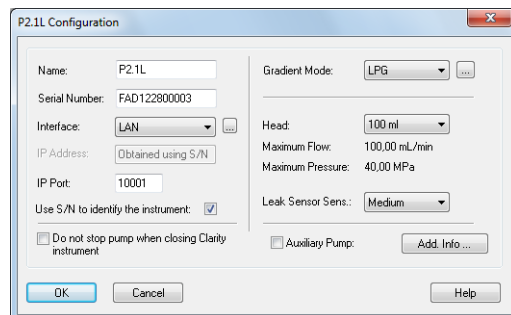


Fig. 33 Configuration window of the pump P 2.1L

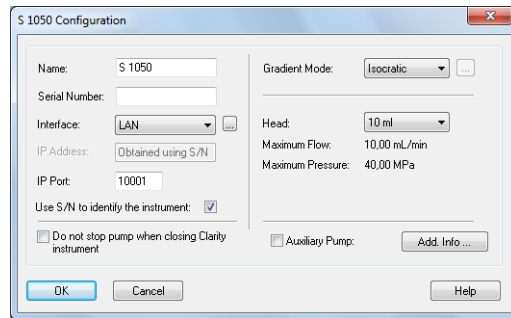


Fig. 34 Configuration window of the pump S 1050, P-1

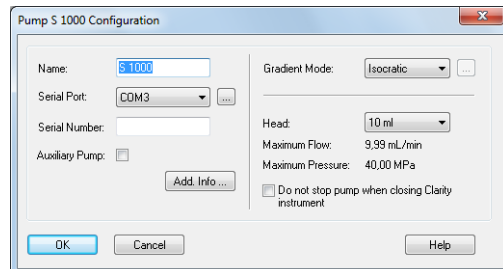


Fig. 35 Configuration window of the pumps S 1000, K-1001/K-1000, 1800

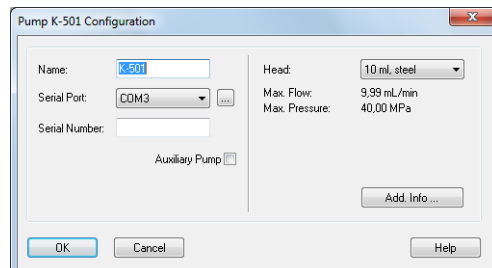


Fig. 36 Configuration window of the pumps K-501/K-120

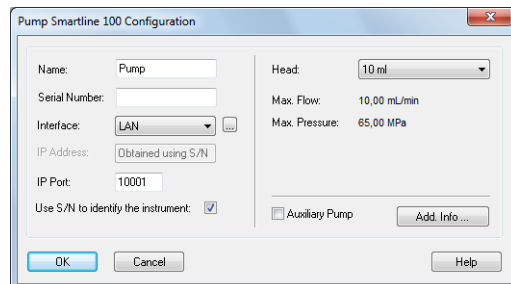


Fig. 37 Configuration window of the pump S 100, P2.1S/P4.1S



Note: To drive pumps in serial mode, the appropriate settings have to be made in the pump menu (i.e. on the pump itself). Follow the hints in the section "Serial Port".



Note: If you are operating a K-1001 pump fitted with a firmware version < 5.x, you must select the K-1000 for configuration. This is due to the status information, which the older firmware does not support. Otherwise you will get error messages when the pump starts running. For those pumps no advanced status information and no pressure trace recording are available.

Configuration

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name, e.g. 2x "S 1000" for a binary HPG system.

GRADIENT MODE: If the configuration information from the pump have been transferred using the button, the correct gradient mode for the pumps P 6.1L, P 2.1L, P-1, S 1050, S 1000, Preparative Pump 1800, K-1001, or K-1000 is selected as set in the pump. Otherwise, select the desired gradient mode from the drop-down list. Note that the gradient mode also must be set correctly in the setup of the pump (pumps P 6.1L, P2.1L, P-1, S 1050, S 1000, Preparative Pump 1800, K-1001, and K-1000).

Because a P 6.1L cannot be combined to an HPG system (neither with a second P 6.1L nor with other pumps), but has to be equipped as a binary gradient pump, only the gradient mode "HPG" instead of "HPG A" - "HPG D" can be selected. Additionally, the pump is equipped with 2 solvent selection valves (SSV). The pump then provides the HPG components A and B (or A1/A2 and B1/B2 in case of an SSV) internally.

If more than one solvent pump is added in an instrument, they are recognized as HPG pumps automatically and can be programmed in the method only with a common table.



Note: HPG pump A has to be configured first and pump B afterwards. Otherwise, the configuration cannot be saved.

Only one LPG pump can be operated in one system.

Only after the LPG mode has been activated, a second menu can be accessed, in which the number of solvent components and the settings for the LPG cycle time (the time in which the LPG valves of the programmed channels are each accessed once) are set.

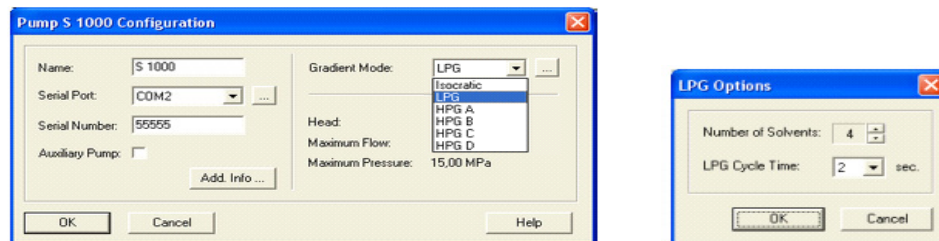


Fig. 38 Selection options for gradient modes

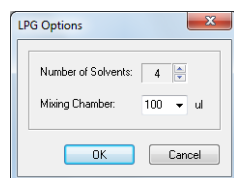



Fig. 39 LPG options P 6.1L



Note: To configure an HPG system correctly, you must add the HPG pumps to your instrument in the correct order: Firstly, add HPG A and then add HPG pump B, etc. The pumps have to be added in this order in the selected system as well. If a gradient system has not been configured as described above, on switching-on you are prompted to delete the configured pumps from the system and to reinstall in the correct order.

Gradient Mode

When configuring an LPG system, the number of components and the LPG cycle time (LPG Cycle Time) can be determined. Click the button  to open the respective dialogue.

NUMBER OF SOLVENTS: Select the number of appropriated solvent components from the drop-down list (only valid for LPG pumps). While deploying the method, the maximum number of components (channels) at your disposal, is the number configured. You can reduce the number of components during the method.

LPG CYCLE TIME: Set desired LPG cycle time for the configured pump.

The appropriate LPG cycle time depends on the different parts of the components, the flow and the mixing chamber. The longer the appropriated time, the better the depiction of the very small parts of a component. But equally, the volume of the solvent "packages" increases, which requires a larger mixing chamber volume. A larger mixing chamber volume also extends the time until a new gradient is introduced into the column. The goal is to achieve the best compromise possible for the separation task at hand.

MIXING CHAMBER: In case of a pump P 6.1L, instead of the LPG cycle time, the volume of the mixing chamber must be set correctly (50, 100, 200, or 350 µl). The pump uses this information to calculate the optimal LPG cycle time. If a wrong mixing chamber is selected, the calculation of the LPG cycles and, therefore, the gradient might be not correct.



Note: In ClarityChrom, the Isobar mode of the pump P 2.1L and the Constant Pressure Mode of the pump P 6.1L are not supported. The P-max mode of the pump P 6.1L is supported.

Click on OK to close the dialogue and to return to the configuration window.

Configuration

SERIAL PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your pump is connected.



Note: For error-free operation of the binary KNAUER Net, every device should be connected to an own COM port. However, connecting two pumps to the same COM port using the y-cable may result in communication problems.




Note: If the pumps S 1050, P-1 should be controlled by RS-232, in the pump's own setup the "Interface" must be set to "RS232 115200".



Note: The pumps K-1000, K-1001, S 1000 and K-1800 (preparative pump 1800) only are controlled with ClarityChrom if the pump's internal communication in the menu option "CONTROL" is set to "NET baud rate 9600".



Note: To control a pump K-501, the menu option "CONTROL" must be set to "Ext:RS232" in the pump's internal setup. The firmware version must be v. 1.23 or higher.

Click the  button to get a list of the devices connected to the selected interface. If one or more devices have been found, click on a device and on the

SELECT # button. The corresponding configuration information, e.g. the serial number, are read out by the device.

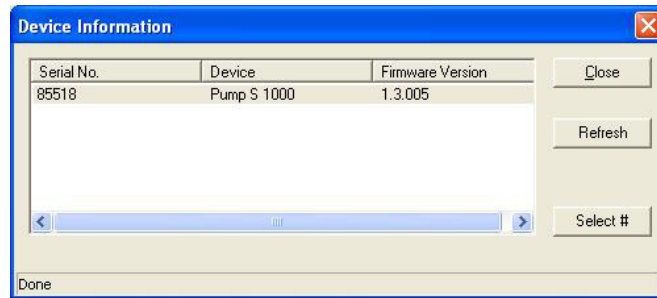


Fig. 40 Device information dialog

Click on REFRESH to update the list, e.g. if a connected and switched-on device has not been found.

Click on SELECT # to select a device. The serial number as well as any additional information for the selected device will then be automatically entered into the configuration dialog. In this case you must not enter the configuration data manually.

When complete, click CLOSE to exit the dialog and return to the system configuration window.

INTERFACE (only valid for pumps P 2.1L, P 6.1L, P-1, S 1050, S 100, P 2.1S/ P 4.1S, 10P/20P)

The Smartline pumps S 1050 and P-1 as well as the micro pumps support two types of communication interfaces: RS-232 and LAN (Local Area Network). The settings for these interfaces are different:



Fig. 41 Interface settings

Interface RS-232

COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port (COM port) on your PC where your pump is connected. For the pumps S 1000, K-1000/1001, and 1800 the COM port is labeled Network. This has to do with drivers. Network 1 equals COM 1 etc. By clicking on the button, the software automatically recognizes the connected and switched-on device. This procedure is recommended. For the pump K-1001, follow the hints above concerning the firmware version: If the pump has a firmware version < 5.x (e.g. 4.01), it has to be configured as K-1000.

The pumps P 2.1L and P 6.1L can only be accessed via LAN and the RS-232 option is not provided.

Interface: LAN

IP ADDRESS: If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number. If you want to set a static IP address, deactivate the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT. Afterwards, the IP Address input field is active. Please note that the


static IP address has to be set in the pump itself as well. For detailed information refer to the pump's user manual. Please note that the pumps AZURA® P 2.1S, P 4.1S, and S 100 only support the allocation of IP addresses via DHCP; allocation of a static IP address is not possible.


IP PORT: The set IP port 10001 should not be changed. Otherwise, communication with the pump is not possible. The port 10001 is also set in the pump's setup. If it is necessary to use a different IP port, the IP port has to be changed in the device as well as in the software.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. If a static IP address is used, the device can be recognized also by the serial number.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

INTERFACE: [...]: Click the  button to get a list of all devices (pumps, detectors, etc.) which can be accessed via the selected interface (Fig. 32 on page 31). Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The Device Information window allows for the configuration information to be read directly from the connected instruments.

SERIAL NUMBER: Otherwise type in the serial number of the pump you are using. The serial number of network controlled pumps is used for the device identification and addressing during serial communications. Therefore, the serial number should match the serial number of the defined pump. Many pumps can be read out with the  button. That way the serial number and all necessary configuration settings are transferred. In this case, the serial number does not have to be entered manually.

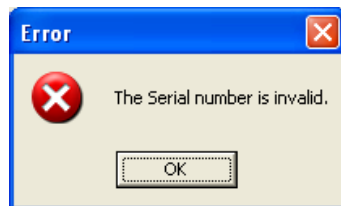
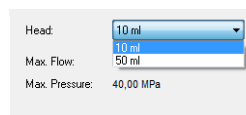
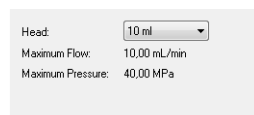
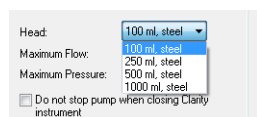


Fig. 42 Error message for an invalid serial number

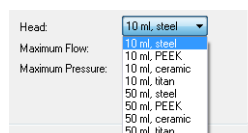
HEAD: Select the mounted pump head from the drop-down list.



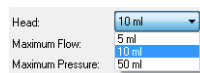
Smartline 1000/1050, PLATINblue P- S 100 / P2.1S/P4.1S / 10P/20P
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Preparative Pump 1800, P 2.1L




WellChrom K-1001/K-1000, K-501/K-120



AZURA® P 6.1L

Fig. 43 Available pump heads

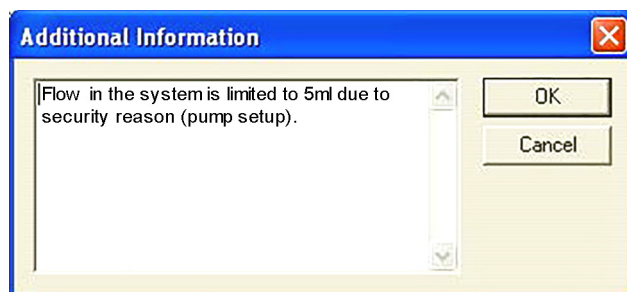
The selected pump head has to comply with the pump head which is mounted and configured in the pump. If the pump has been read out with the  button, the pump head configured in the pump is set automatically. After you have chosen the pump head, the related information about material, the maximum flow and the maximum pressure is displayed automatically.

AUXILIARY PUMP: Activate this option to configure the pump as an auxiliary pump, e.g. for the injection of large sample volumes. Then the pump can be programmed separately in the method. Only pumps which are configured as isocratic or LPG, can be marked set as an AUXILIARY PUMP. All pumps which have not been configured as an AUXILIARY PUMP are automatically configured as "solvent pumps". If more than one solvent pump is added in an instrument, they are recognized as HPG pumps automatically and can be programmed in the method only with a common table.

DO NOT STOP PUMP WHEN CLOSING CLARITY INSTRUMENT: If this option is activated, the flow is not set to 0 if the software is exited, but the pump(s) continue to run with the flow that has last been set in the software. If it is required to run the pump continuously, e.g. if a buffer is used, check this box. The pump display continues to indicate that the device is accessed.

LEAK SENSOR SENS. (P 6.1L and P 2.1L only): Select the leak sensor's sensitivity in accordance with your requirements. The choices are OFF, LOW, MEDIUM or HIGH.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the pump.

**Fig. 44 Additional information box**

Enter additional information or comments to be printed out when you print the instrument configuration.

CONFIG.SERVICE... (P 2.1L only): In the Config.Service menu, the settings for the gradient mode and the pump head can be set for the P 2.1L without Con-

trol Unit. Please note that the correct settings are made. Otherwise, the device or the pump head may be damaged.

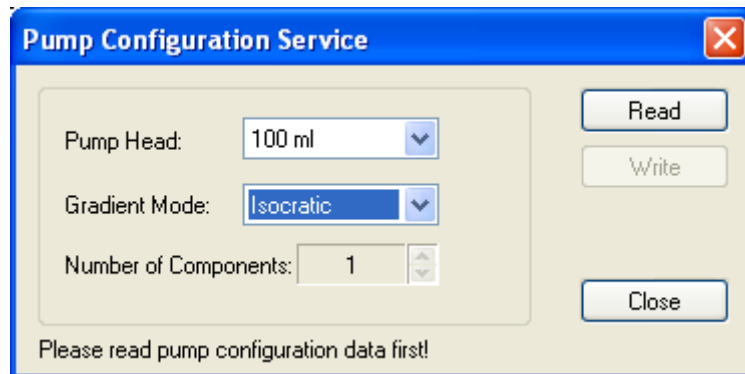


Fig. 45 Configuration Service P 2.1L

Config Service

In the Pump Configuration Service window, click READ, to read out the current configuration. The current settings are displayed. You can set the pump head, the gradient mode and the number of gradient components. Keep in mind that it is necessary for an HPG system to set the total number of pumps in the system for every pump. Otherwise, the configuration will fail. In an LPG system, you can use 2 or 3 components, depending on the valve block. Note that it is necessary to set the correct number. Otherwise, the valve block may be damaged. The valve blocks allow different maximum flow rates.



Note: All changes made in the Pump Configuration Service will only be sent to the pump, if the instrument is opened. Make sure that the settings are correct.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

Configuration - KNAUER detectors

Configuration - KNAUER RI detectors

Several KNAUER RI detectors are supported. The configuration windows and procedures are nearly identical.

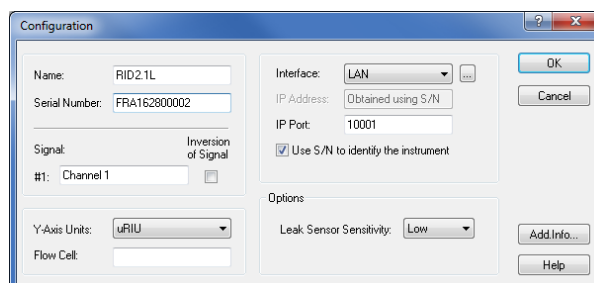


Fig. 46 RID 2.1L Configuration window

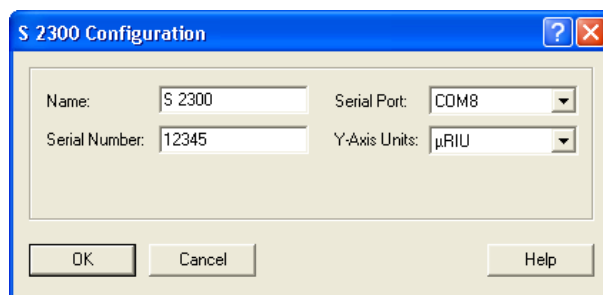


Fig. 47 S 2300 Configuration window

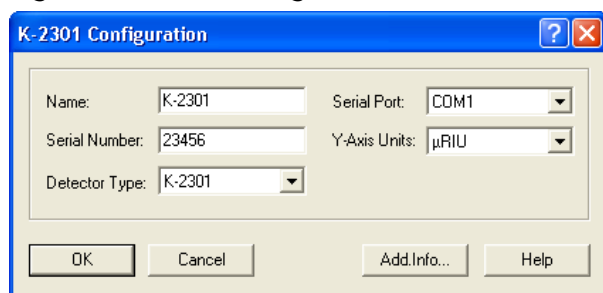


Fig. 48 K-2301 Configuration window

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the detector you are using.

[CHN.NAME] #1 (RID 2.1L only): You can enter a descriptive name for the channel.

INVERSION OF SIGNAL [CHN. #1] (RID 2.1L only): Check the Inversion of Signal box to invert the data for the acquisition channel. This can be a helpful option to avoid negative peaks.

SERIAL PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Select the type of units to be displayed on the y-axis of your chromatogram from the drop-down list. For the RI detectors, the only choice is µRIU.

Interface LAN

IP ADDRESS (RID 2.1L only): It will not be shown in the IP address field if the option Use S/N to identify the instrument is enabled. If you click on the button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number. If you want to set a static IP address, deactivate the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT. Afterwards, the IP Address input field is active. Please note that the static IP address has to be set in the device itself as well. For detailed information, refer to the device's user manual.

IP PORT: The IP Port number used for communication can be entered here. Please use only port 10001 for KNAUER devices.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. If a static IP address is used, the device can be recognized also by the serial number.



Note: We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

DETECTOR TYPE (WellChrom RI detectors only): Select the type of the detector you want to configure from the drop-down list. You can choose between: K-2300, K-2301, K-2400, and K-2401. Please note that the detectors K-2000 and K-2500 use the serial port only for data acquisition.

LEAK SENSOR SENS. (RID 2.1L only): Select the leak sensor's sensitivity in accordance with your requirements. The choices are OFF, LOW, MEDIUM or HIGH.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

Configuration - KNAUER UV detectors

The supported KNAUER UV detectors are the AZURA® MWD 2.1L, UVD 2.1L and UVD 2.1S, detectors K-2000, K-2001, K-2500, K-2501 of the WellChrom series and 200, 2500, and 2520 of the Smartline series. The UV detectors with PDA or scanning functionality (K-2600, S 2550, and S 2600) are described separately. Please note that the detectors K-2000 and K-2500 only support the data acquisition via serial port. Wavelength control is not supported. The configuration windows and procedures of the other detectors are identically in each series.

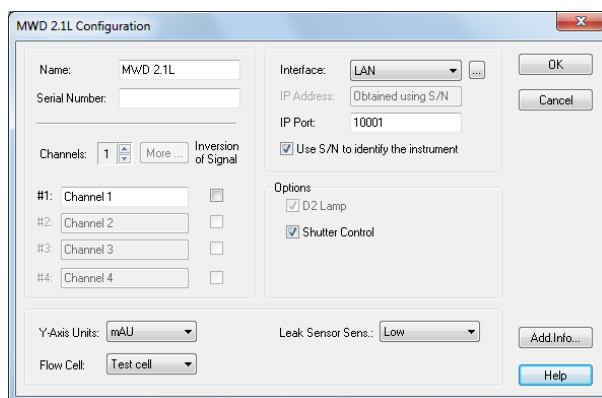


Fig. 49 MWD 2.1L configuration window

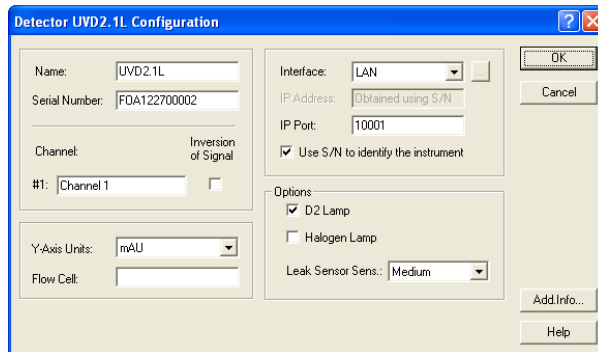


Fig. 50 UVD 2.1L configuration window

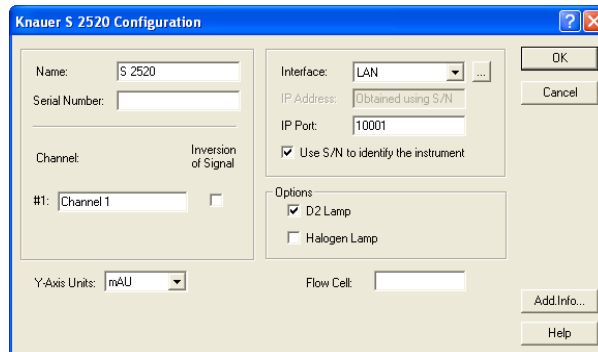


Fig. 51 S 2520 configuration window

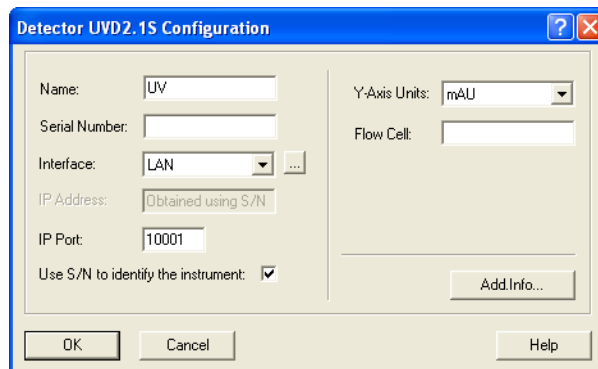


Fig. 52 UVD 2.1S configuration window

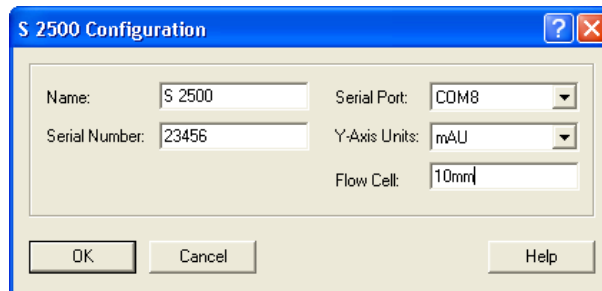


Fig. 53 S 2500 configuration window

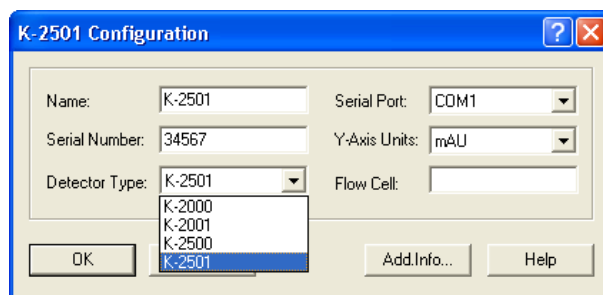


Fig. 54 K-2501 Configuration window

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the detector you are using.

CHANNELS (MWD 2.1L only): Select the number of the channels (1-8) to be used for data acquisition. Use the small arrow keys to select or deselect channels. The number of channels cannot be changed, if the detector was already added to an instrument. If you want to change the number of channels, first remove the device from the instrument. If changes are made, add the detector again to the mentioned instrument. At least one channel has to be selected. Channels 5 to 8 are only available via MORE.

MORE... (MWD 2.1L only): You can enter a name for channels 1 to 8.

[CHN.NAME] #1...#4 (MWD 2.1L only): You can enter a descriptive name for every channel used.

INVERSION OF SIGNAL [CHN. #1...#8] (MWD 2.1L only): Check the Inversion of Signal box to invert the data for the acquisition channel. This can be a helpful option if you use a strongly absorbing solvent and your target substance results in a negative peak.

SERIAL PORT (all detectors except MWD 2.1L, UVD 2.1L, UVD 2.1S, S 2520) From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected.

Interface RS-232

(UVD 2.1S, S 2520 only)

COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected. For the mentioned detectors the maximum data rate, using a serial communication port, is 10 Hz.




Note: For the detector S 2520, using the serial port and activating more than one channel limits the data acquisition rate of the detector to a maximum of 10 Hz. If the pump S 1050 should be controlled by RS-232, in the pump's own setup the "Interface" must be set to "RS232 115200". To use the maximum data rate of 80 Hz, communication over LAN must be selected as the interface. For the detector S 2550, please refer to chapter "Configuration - KNAUER UV Detectors with PDA Functionality".

Note: For the detector UVD 2.1S, using the serial port and activating more than one channel limits the data acquisition rate of the detector to a maxi-

mum of 10 Hz. To use the maximum data rate of 50 Hz, communication over LAN must be selected as the interface.

Interface LAN

(only MWD 2.1L, UVD 2.1L, UVD 2.1S, S 2520; necessary for data rates > 10 Hz)

IP ADDRESS: It will not be shown in the IP address field if the option Use S/N to identify the instrument is enabled. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number. If you want to set a static IP address, deactivate the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT. Afterwards, the IP Address input field is active. Please note that the static IP address has to be set in the device itself as well. For detailed information, refer to the device's user manual. Please note that the detector AZURA® UVD 2.1S only supports the allocation of IP addresses via DHCP; allocation of a static IP address is not possible.

IP PORT: The IP Port number used for communication can be entered here. Please use only port 10001 for KNAUER devices.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. If a static IP address is used, the device can be recognized also by the serial number.



Note: We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

D2 LAMP / HALOGEN LAMP (UVD 2.1L, S 2520 only): Select the build-in lamp. These detectors can only be equipped with one lamp.

SHUTTER CONTROL: This option is activated by default. If this option is chosen, the detector will open the shutter only before the run to protect the fiber optics. Additionally, the detector determines the optimal integration time for generating data points. Additionally the dark current will be measured and subtract it from all measured spectra. It is strongly recommended to leave this option enabled at all times.

LEAK SENSOR SENS. (MWD 2.1L, UVD 2.1L only): Select the leak sensor's sensitivity in accordance with your requirements. The choices are OFF, LOW, MEDIUM or HIGH.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Select the type of units to be displayed on the y-axis of your chromatogram from the drop-down list. For the UV and diode array detectors the choices are AU (Absorption Units), mAU (0.001 AU) or μ AU (0.000001 AU).

FLOW CELL: Enter a description for the flow cell you are using with your UV detector. The description will be printed out when you print the instrument configuration.

DETECTOR TYPE (WellChrom series only): Select the type of the detector you want to configure from the drop-down list. You can choose between: The choices are K-2000, K-2001, K-2500, and K-2501. Please note

that the detectors K-2000 and K-2500 use the serial port only for data acquisition.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the Add. Info... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

Configuration - KNAUER UV detectors with PDA functionality

UV detectors with PDA functionality are K-2600, S 2550, and S 2600. For a system (instrument) up to two detectors with activated 3D functionality are permitted.

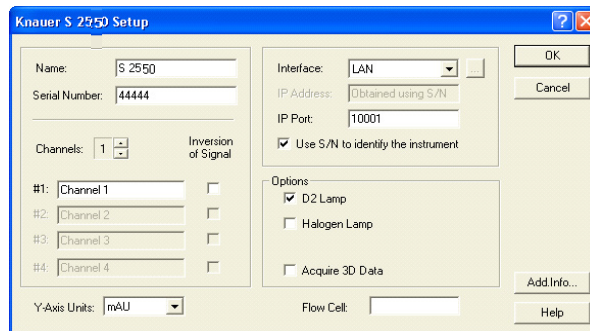


Fig. 55 S 2550 configuration window

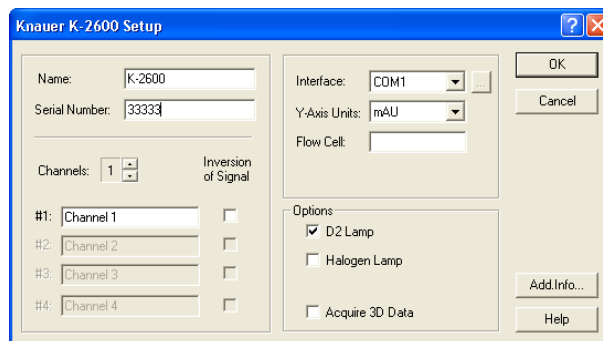


Fig. 56 K-2600 configuration window

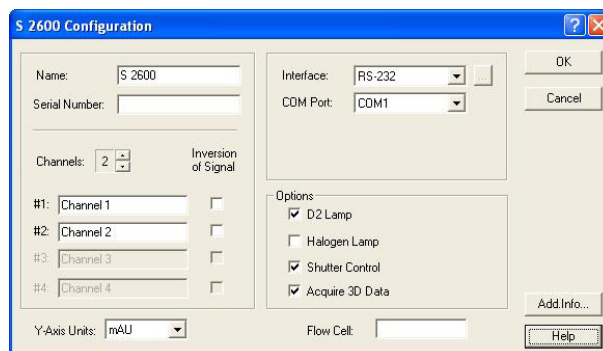


Fig. 57 S 2600 configuration window

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface

Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: If the connected and switched-on device is read out with the button, the serial number is read out and filled in automatically. Otherwise type in the serial number of the pump you are using. If the serial number is not entered correctly, communication problems with the detector are very likely to occur.

CHANNELS: Select the number of the channels (1-4) to be used for data acquisition. If you want to acquire data from the detector S 2550 with a data rate of 10 Hz or higher (max. 80 Hz), only select one channel. As in that case, it has to be connected via LAN.

The number of channels cannot be changed, if the detector was already added to an instrument. If you want to change the number of channels, first remove the device from the instrument. If changes are made, add the detector again to the mentioned instrument.

[CHN.NAME] #1...#4: You can enter a descriptive name for every channel used.

INVERSION OF SIGNAL [CHN. #1...#4]: Check the Inversion of Signal box to invert the data for the acquisition channel. This can be a helpful option if you use a strongly absorbing solvent and your target substance results in a negative peak.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Select the type of units to be displayed on the y-axis of your chromatogram from the drop-down list. For diode array detectors, only mAU (0.001 AU) is possible.

Interface RS-232

(only S 2550, S 2600)

COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected. For the S 2550, the maximum data rate for one channel, using serial communication, is 10 Hz.



Note: For the detector S 2550, using the serial port and activating more than one channel limits the data acquisition rate of the detector to a maximum of 10 Hz. Higher data rates of up to 80 Hz are only possible when using a LAN connection and one activated channel.



Note: In order to be accessed with ClarityChrom, the detector S 2600 must be set to RS232 BINARY BAUD RATE 115200 in its own setup menu under CONTROL. Please note that the serial cable must not be longer than 2 m.

Interface LAN

(S 2550 only, required for data rates higher 10 Hz)

IP ADDRESS: If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number. If you want to set a static IP address, deactivate the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT. Afterwards, the IP Address input field is active. Please note that the static IP address has to be set in the device itself as well. For detailed information, refer to the device's user manual.


IP PORT: The IP Port number used for communication can be entered here. Please use only port 10001 for KNAUER devices.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. If a static IP address is used, the device can be recognized also by the serial number.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

INTERFACE (only K-2600): From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

INTERFACE: [...]: Click the  button to get a list of all devices of the selected type, connected to the selected Interface. Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The corresponding configuration information, e.g. the serial number, are read out by the device. For the detector S 2600 a window with information is displayed which are necessary for a correct data transmission. Click ACCEPT to transfer this information. If the configuration data has been read out as described above, it does not have to be entered manually.

D2 LAMP: Check this box if the detector is equipped with a D2 lamp.

HALOGEN LAMP: Check this box if the detector is equipped with a halogen lamp. Only the detector S 2550 can be equipped with both lamps. In this case, the serial number does not have to be entered manually.

FLOW CELL: Here you can enter a description for the flow cell you are using with your UV detector. The description will be printed out when you print the device configuration.

SHUTTER CONTROL (only S 2600): This option is activated by default. If this option is chosen, the detector will open the shutter only before the run to protect the fiber optics. Additionally, the detector determines the optimal integration time for generating data points. Additionally the dark current will be measured and subtract it from all measured spectra. It is strongly recommended to leave this option enabled at all times.

ACQUIRE 3D DATA: Check the Acquire 3D Data option to utilize the full spectral functionality of these detectors. If the Acquire 3D Data option is selected, you will need additional PDA license option to be able to work with the spectral data. If this option is not selected, the detector will be used as a multi-channel detector. Please note that the detectors S 2550 and K-2600 cannot perform a permanent scan. The scan must be programmed time-based.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the Add. Info... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.



Note: If a PDA detector is used, for the appropriate instrument the PDA option must be enabled in the instrument type settings. Only then the detector can be added to the instrument.

When complete, click OK to close the window.

Configuration – KNAUER PDA detectors

The KNAUER PDA detectors AZURA® DAD 6.1L and AZURA® DAD 2.1L, PLATINblue PDA-1, Smartline 2850, and 2800, as well as WellChrom K-2800 and K-2700 are supported. For a system (instrument) up to two detectors with activated 3D functionality are permitted. Please note that the PCI interface card for the detectors K-2800 and K-2700 only runs under a 32 bit version of Windows up to Windows 7.

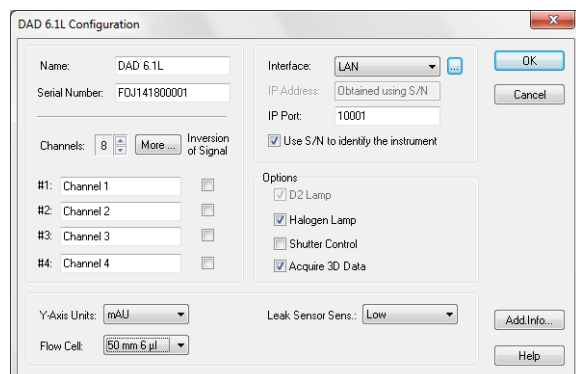


Fig. 58 DAD 6.1L configuration window

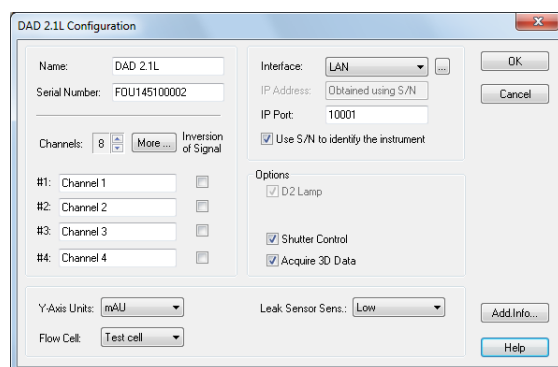


Fig. 59 DAD 2.1L configuration window

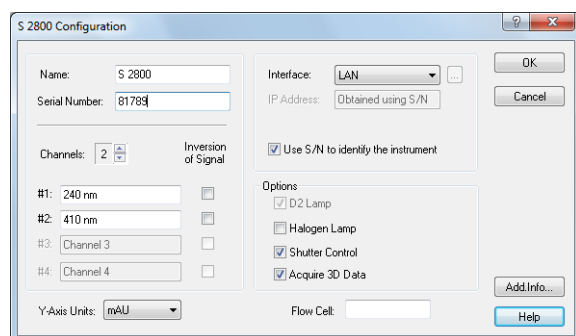


Fig. 60 S 2800 configuration window

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name, e.g. 2x "UV" for two UV detectors.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the detector you are using.

CHANNELS: Select the number of the channels to be used for data acquisition. Use the small arrow keys to select or deselect channels. At least one channel has to be selected. The PDA-1 supports up to 6 channels and the DAD 6.1L and DAD 2.1L support up to 8 channels. Channels 5 and 8 are only available via MORE.

The number of channels cannot be changed, if the detector was already added to an instrument. If you want to change the number of channels, first remove the device from the instrument. If changes are made, add the detector again to the mentioned instrument.


MORE... (PDA-1, DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L only): You can enter a name for channels 1 to 8.

[CHN.NAME] #1...#8]: You can enter a descriptive name for every channel used.

INVERSION OF SIGNAL [CHN. #1...#8]: Check the Inversion of Signal box to invert the data for the acquisition channel. This can be a helpful option if you use a strongly absorbing solvent and your target substance results in a negative peak.

INTERFACE: PDA detectors can be accessed via Ethernet (LAN). The detectors K-2800 and K-2700 need a special box which converts the serial output of the detector to Ethernet. By default, both detectors (K-2800 and K-2700) are accessed via a card which has to be installed into a free PCI slot of the computer. If the PCI interface card is used and installed correctly, it is found automatically. No additional input is necessary. Please note that the PCI interface card for the detectors K-2800 and K-2700 only runs under a 32 bit version of Windows up to Windows 7.


Interface LAN

IP ADDRESS: If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number. If you want to set a static IP address, deactivate the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT. Afterwards, the IP Address input field is active. Please note that the static IP address has to be set in the device itself as well. For detailed information, refer to the device's user manual.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. If a static IP address is used, the device can be recognized also by the serial number.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

INTERFACE: [...]: Click the  button to read out the corresponding configuration information directly from the device. Press the Accept button to use the read configuration settings in the detector configuration window.

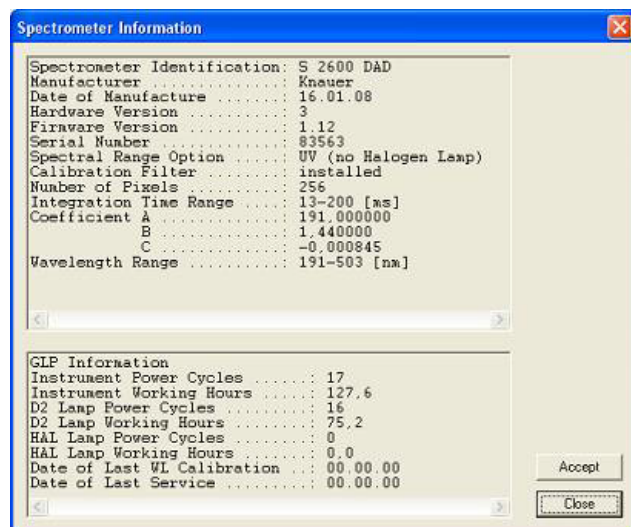



Fig. 61 Spectrometer information window



Note: The PDA detectors S 2850, S 2800 and K-2800 must download their firmware from the computer after every restart. This happens either by mouse-clicking the  button or if the instrument is started/opened. During the firmware download and the initialization, the LED flashes. This is normal behaviour and does not indicate a device error. The firmware download also switch on the detector lamp(s). If only the device will be switched on, the lamp(s) will not start.

D2 LAMP: Check this box if the detector is equipped with a D2 lamp.

HALOGEN LAMP: Check this box if the detector is equipped with a halogen lamp.

SHUTTER CONTROL: This option is activated by default. If this option is chosen, the detector will open the shutter only before the run to protect the fiber optics. Additionally, the detector determines the optimal integration time for generating data points. Additionally the dark current will be measured and subtract it from all measured spectra. It is strongly recommended to leave this option enabled at all times.

ACQUIRE 3D DATA: Check the Acquire 3D Data option to utilize the full spectral functionality of this detector. If the Acquire 3D Data option is selected, you will need additional PDA license option to be able to work with the spectral data. If this option is not selected, the detector will be used as a multi-channel detector. For each system (instrument) only one detector with activated 3D functionality is permitted. If the ACQUIRE 3D DATA functionality is activated, SYSTEM CONFIGURATION · INSTRUMENT TYP · LC-PDA has to be selected in the window (see Fig. 62 on page 50).

Y-AXIS UNITS: Select the type of units to be displayed on the y-axis of your chromatogram from the drop-down list. The choices are AU (Absorption Units), mAU (0.001 AU) or μ AU (0.000001 AU).

FLOW CELL: Enter a description for the flow cell you are using with your UV detector. The description will be printed out when you print the instrument

configuration. The options for the DAD 6.1L and DAD 2.1L are 3 mm 2 μ l, 10 mm 2 μ l, 10 mm 10 μ l, 50 mm 6 μ l, Test cell and Fiber optics.

LEAK SENSOR SENS. (AZURA® DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L only): The sensitivity of the leak sensor depends on the selected setting. Three different settings are available: OFF (leak sensor is switched off), LOW (low sensitivity), MEDIUM (medium sensitivity), and HIGH (high sensitivity).

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the Add. Info... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

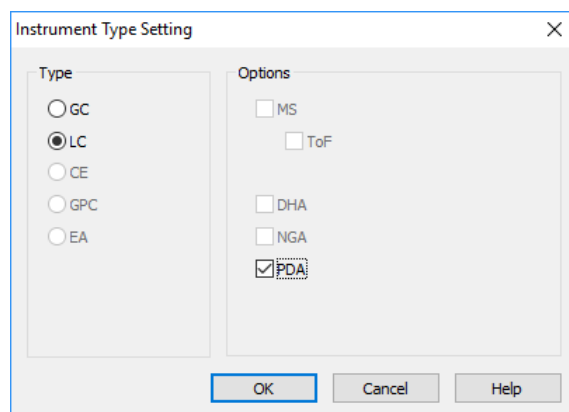


Fig. 62 PDA detector, device type



Note: If a PDA detector is used, for the appropriate instrument the PDA option must be enabled in the instrument type settings. Only then the detector can be added to the instrument.

Configuration - Spectrofluorometric Detector RF-10Axl, RF-20A/Axs

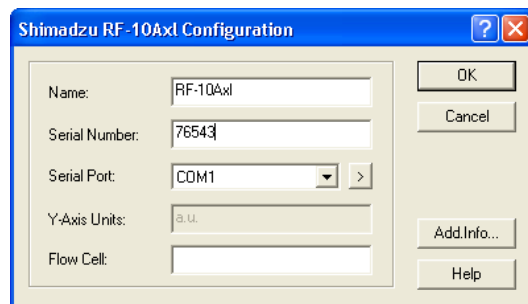


Fig. 63 RF-10Axl configuration window



Note: The KNAUER drivers for the Shimadzu fluorescence detector RF-20A/Axs allows access and data acquisition via the RS-232 interface. As of June 2014, the firmware version 0.90 is required. Other firmware versions do not work. The RF-20A/Axs is limited to the functionality for the RF-10Axl driver beside the maximum data rate (RF-20A/Axs: 5 Hz, RF-10Axl: 0.5 Hz. Further functionality is not supported. Especially the options for data acquisition on two independent channels (so called 4 channel wavelength mode) or tempering the measurement cell are not supported. Wavelength scans cannot be programmed, executed or stored in a method.



Note: The Shimadzu Fluorescence Detector RF-10AxI only allows a data acquisition rate of 0.5 Hz via RS-232. For a higher data rate, the data acquisition via analog out and an A/D converter box (e.g. a KNAUER IFU 2.1) is recommended.



Note: Both detectors may not work on additionally installed serial (COM) ports. It is recommended to connect it with a computer's onboard COM port.

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the detector you are using.

SERIAL PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

SERIAL PORT, >: Click on > to configure the communication port.

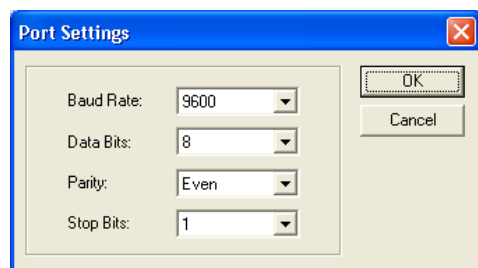


Fig. 64 Serial port settings

Select the settings from the drop-down list as shown in the figure above.



Note: The port settings must coincide with the RS-232 parameters on the detector.

FLOW CELL: Enter a description for the flow cell you are using with your spectrofluorometric detector. The description will be printed out when you print the instrument configuration.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.



Note: The detectors RF-10AxI and RF-20A/Axs must be switched into serial mode. Please refer the detector's manual (RF-10AxI -> pages 7-18 through 7-25) for detailed information. The detector RF-20A/Axs is set to serial mode, if KNAUER has updated the firmware to version 0.90.

How to switch the spectrofluorometric detector into serial mode

RF-10AxI

Repeatedly press the FUNCTION button on the detector, until RS232C is displayed. Confirm with the E button. The display will show CONNECT, also confirm with E key. Now the device operates in serial mode and can be

driven by the software. If the detector is switched Off and On, it will start again in RS-232 control mode. The keypad is blocked.

To leave the serial mode, press the SHIFT and CE/DEL key at the same time. Now the keypad is accessible, but the device cannot be controlled by software.

If you press FUNCTION while CONNECT is displayed, the parameters for the serial interface integrated into the device are displayed. The COM settings here and in the software must be identical. Changes have to be confirmed by pressing E. To move to the next parameter, press the FUNCTION key on the detector.

| Parameter | Value |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Baud | 6 (means 9600) |
| Data Bits | 8 |
| Parity | 2 (means even parity) |
| Stop Bit | 1 |

The COM settings here and in the software must be identical. If, e.g., the parity is set to 2 (even parity), the same value must be set in the detector and in the software.

If all parameters have been checked, the display shows the message CLOSE KEY. Press key E to leave the setup. To switch the device to serial control mode, please follow the steps above.

RF-20A/ Axs

Press FUNCTION on the detector repeatedly until the display shows SYSTEM _ ENTER TO SELECT. Press the ENTER key. Now the settings for the serial interface can be reviewed and modified if necessary. To move to the next parameter, press the FUNCTION key.

| Parameter | Value |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Baud | 9600 |
| Data Bits | 8 |
| Parity | 2 (means even parity) |
| Stop Bit | 1 |

The COM settings here and in the software must be identical. If, e.g., the parity is set to 2 (even parity), the same value must be set in the detector and in the software.

If all parameters have been checked, the display shows RS-232C _ ENTER TO ENABLE. Press the ENTER key. The display shows RS-232C _ ENABLE for about 2 seconds, then the default screen will be shown. Now the detector is in serial control mode and can be controlled by software. If the detector is switched Off and On, it will start again in RS-232 control mode. During the boot process, RS-232 CONTROL MODE will be shown very shortly on the display. The keypad is blocked.

To leave the serial mode, simultaneously press CE and DEL. Now the keypad is accessible, but the device cannot be controlled by software.



Note: The driver for the model RF-20A/Axs only supports the firmware version 0.90. This firmware is only available through KNAUER. The control is

compatible with model RF-10Axl and will not support the advanced features of the model RF20A/Axs.

Configuration – Conductivity Monitor Smartline 2900, AZURA® CM 2.1S

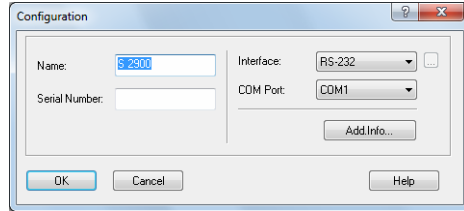


Fig. 65 Conductivity monitor Smartline 2900

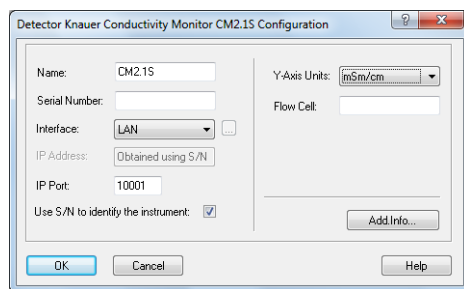


Fig. 66 Conductivity monitor AZURA® CM 2.1S

Configuration

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.


SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the conductivity monitor you are using.

Interface RS-232

COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your detector is connected. The serial number of the S 2900 cannot be read-out from the device.

Interface LAN

(CM 2.1S only)

IP ADDRESS: It will not be shown in the IP address field if the option Use S/N to identify the instrument is enabled. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended. If you plan to use the device with a static IP address, the device can still be recognized by its serial number.

IP PORT: The IP Port number used for communication can be entered here. Please use only port 10001 for KNAUER devices.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.



Note: We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

Configuration

Y-AXIS UNITS (CM 2.1S only): The only available unit is mSm/cm. The values for temperature and pH are provided as Auxiliary Trace, the corresponding units are set automatically.

FLOW CELL (CM 2.1S only): Here you can enter a description for the flow cell you are using with your conductivity monitor. The description will be printed out when you print the device configuration.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

Configuration - virtual detector

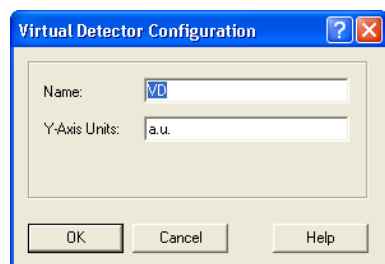


Fig. 67 Virtual detector configuration window

A virtual detector is a "device" which can acquire data from different sources. This way, it is possible to recreate an existing chromatogram, e.g. to adjust the fractioning. It is also possible to display the traces of 2 detectors in one chromatogram, e.g. to add them up. Because it is not a physical device, no interface can be added for the virtual detector. During Method Setup, you select the source from which the data should be acquired. The virtual detector can be used for triggering (starting a method via an outside signal) as well. This feature may be needed if the used devices do not support this or if there is no triggering "event", e.g. a sample purification.

NAME: Enter optionally another descriptive name for the detector. Use a name which is unique within the instrument. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed. VD (for virtual detector) is preset.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Enter the units of your signal to be displayed on the y-axis, e.g. μV , AU, MPa, etc.

Configuration - KNAUER interfaces

KNAUER offers an A/D converter, which can control devices or acquire data from devices which are not supported by the software. While the necessary

hardware is integrated in the managers 5000 and 5050 in a multi-purpose device, which in addition can receive a degasser and/or an LPG block, the interface boxes IFU 2.1, IFU 2.1 LAN, IF2 and KNAUER HPLC Box are designed as AD converters only. The Manager 5000/5050, the IF2, IFU 2.1, IFU 2.1LAN or the KNAUER HPLC Box have to be configured to integrate devices into the system, which are defined by the user and are not supported by ClarityChrom. The interfaces can be found in the section LC as all pumps. Note that the analog and digital outputs of the KNAUER HPLC Box are only supported for the hardware revision 3 (KNAUER serial number > 50,000). For the older version 2, only the data acquisition via analog input is supported. The digital outputs of all interface devices are not supported and cannot be programmed. The digital output will be used as the autozero output automatically if the analog input of the same channel is used for data acquisition. In the case of the KNAUER HPLC Box, this is the D. OUT 3.

Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for permitted voltages. Applying excess voltage may destroy the device.

The configuration of the Manager 5000, Manager 5050, IF2, IFU 2.1 and IFU 2.1LAN is identical, the KNAUER HPLC Box deviates from this procedure only at a few points. If the configuration data of the KNAUER HPLC Box is being read out during the configuration, as recommended, ClarityChrom automatically recognizes the operation mode of the box and changes the box's settings, if necessary.



Note: The Manager 5000 or 5050 can only be added, if it includes the A/D converter card. For using the LPG valves or the degassing unit the Manager must not be configured.

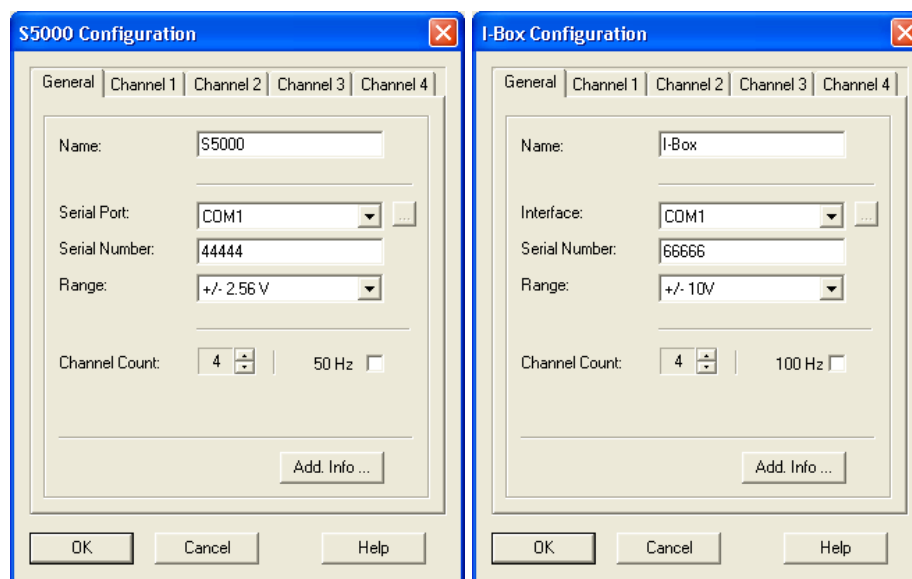


Fig. 68 Configuration window Smartline Manager 5000 and IF2 KNAUER HPLC Box




Note: The Manager 5050 must be configured as Manager 5000.

NAME: The default detector name will be suggested automatically by selecting the detector type. Enter a descriptive name for the KNAUER Interface Device. This name will appear on the valves tab when the instrument setup or status windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL PORT / INTERFACE: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your KNAUER interface is connected. For the IFU 2.1 LAN select LAN as the interface. Click the  button to get a list of all devices of the selected type, connected to the selected interface. Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The corresponding configuration information, e.g. the serial number, are read out by the device. This procedure is recommended.

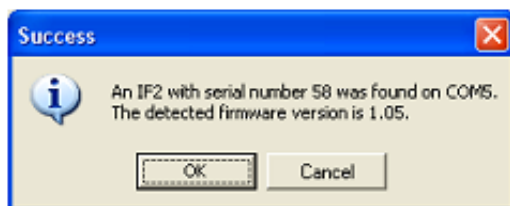



Fig. 69 Device information window IF2/IFU 2.1

SERIAL NUMBER: If you have read out the device via the  button, as described above, the serial number has been added automatically. You can also enter the serial number manually. As the serial number on the device does not have to match the serial number which is stored in the device and has to be used for configuration, note the following.




Note: The Manager 5000/5050 / IF2 / IFU 2.1 interface can only store a five-digit serial number. If the serial number is higher than 99999, only the last five digits will be shown. Accordingly, the last 5 digits of the serial number may be entered during the configuration (example: 134355 → 34355 resp. ADA120112204 → 12204). If the second digit of the serial number is a zero, the zero will not be saved and the serial number will therefore only have four digits (example: 104567 → 4567 resp. ADA120102204 → 2204).



Note: The KNAUER HPLC box cannot store a serial number higher than 65536. If the serial number is higher, only the last four digits will be saved (72345 → 2345). This number has to be entered during the configuration.



Note: To avoid communication problems of interface boxes and interface modules, KNAUER recommends that the serial number be read out using the  button. In order to do so, the device has to be connected and switched-on and the right COM port has to be selected in the configuration.

RANGE: In the drop-down list, select the voltage range for the analog input of your detector. The following ranges are available: ±2.56 V, ±1.28 V, ±0.64 V, ±0.32 V, and ±0.16 V. For the KNAUER HPLC Box ±10 V, ±1 V, ±0.1 V, and ±0.01 V can be set. Note the measuring range of the device you want to connect. With many detectors, the analog output is set to ± 1 V. If the selected input value for the A/D converter is too low, higher measuring values are not recorded. Since the A/D converter has a resolution of 24 bit, the smallest possible step between two measuring values is ± 2.56 V, corresponding to 0.3 μV.

CHANNEL COUNT: Select the number of channels in use.

50 HZ / 100 HZ Option: This option switches the KNAUER Interface Device from the default setting 10 Hz to a data rate of 50 Hz for the manager 5000/5050, the IF2/IFU 2.1, or 100 Hz for the KNAUER Interface Box.



Note: Note that enabling the high sampling rate mode will allow only working with channel 1; all other channels will be disabled then. Additionally the Analog Output control feature will be disabled for this channel.

ADD. INFO: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

CHANNEL # (1-4): Subsequently, select the CHANNEL tab each separate configuration. The number of channel tabs corresponds to the setting in CHANNEL COUNT. Each channel can be configured independent from the others. Later on, it is possible to allocate the channels to different systems (instruments). The channel number in the software corresponds to the channel number on the A/D converter.

Channel window

NAME: Each channel can be named separately. These are the names that the program later uses for the channel names in the chromatograms. However, each name may be used only once per system.

ACQUISITION: If this option is activated, the analog input will be used for data acquisition. Simultaneously, the digital output of this channel is used as autozero output automatically. There is a one-second short circuit impulse when the chromatogram is initialized or a method is sent. The recorded chromatogram is treated in the software like the chromatogram of any other detector. It can be evaluated, used for calibrating and the results can be displayed as a report.

AUXILIARY: If this option is activated, the signal is recorded via the analog input of the device but will not be treated like a chromatogram in the software. It cannot be evaluated and not be used for calibrating. Its results cannot be displayed. This option is meant for recording data from peripheral devices, e.g. thermometers, pressure sensor, pH measuring devices. To activate the check box AUXILIARY, the check box ACQUISITION has to be activated.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Here you can enter the measuring signal unit appropriate for your detector. The default unit is mV (millivolt) since the A/D converter measures voltage. If you select another unit, make sure that you enter the right conversion factor for the measuring signal to be recorded via Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER.

Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER: Here you can enter the conversion factor for the measuring signal for the actual recorded voltage. The default value is 0.001 because the software displays the recorded value in micro volt but the unit is millivolt.

Y-AXIS OFFSET: If the recorded signal is not 0 (zero) when the detector itself displays 0, you can correct this value via Y-AXIS OFFSET. Please note that the offset is multiplied with Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER as well. If in the default setting (Y-AXIS UNITS: mV and Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER: 0.001) a signal of -2mV is displayed and the detector itself displays a signal of 0, the signal can be offset from 2000 to 0 with Y-AXIS OFFSET. If the signal is 3 mV, an Y-AXIS OFFSET of -3000 has to be entered.

ANALOG OUTPUT: The analog output of an A/D converter can be used to drive those devices which are designed for it. The flow of some pumps can be controlled via the analog input, and on some detectors, the wavelength can be set via the analog input. The analog output of the manager 5000/5050 or the IF2/IFU 2.1 has a range of 0-10 Volt. The smallest possible voltage step for a 12 bit resolution is at 2.44 mv Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for current values. To activate the analog output, click the ANALOG OUTPUT check box.

MODE: Three modes can be selected from the drop-down list: "Generic Device", "LC Pump", or "Detector". If "LC Pump" or "Detector" is selected, the button OPTIONS is activated. This opens a menu, in which the voltages, which are later set in the Method Setup to drive respective devices via the analog output, can be configured. In the "Generic Device" mode, the voltage is displayed as it is programmed in the setup.

LC PUMP: If you want to control a pump with the analog output of the A/D converter, select the mode "LC Pump". In this mode, during Method Setup the flow instead of the voltage is retrieved when programming the analog output of the A/D converter. Click OPTIONS to open the options menu.

FACTOR: The factor enables you to program a flow rate instead of a voltage during Method Setup and makes the software calculate the necessary voltage autonomously. Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for necessary information.

MAXIMUM FLOW: Enter the maximum flow rate that is supported by your pump. This mode prevents programming a flow rate higher than the supported flow rate during Method Setup.

DETECTOR: If you want to control the wavelength of a detector via analog control, select "Detector" from the drop-down list. In this mode, during Method Setup the wavelength instead of the voltage is retrieved when programming the analog output of the A/D converter. Click OPTIONS to open the options menu.

FACTOR: The factor enables you to program a wavelength instead of a voltage during Method Setup and makes the software calculate the necessary voltage autonomously. Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for necessary information.

MINIMUM WL / MAXIMUM WL: Enter the wavelength range that is supported by your detector. This mode prevents programming a wavelength higher or lower than the supported wavelength during Method Setup.

When complete, click OK to close the window.

If you want to use multiple channels of the A/D converter, you have to perform the configuration for each channel. Please note that analog input and the analog output cannot be used simultaneously.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.

Configuration - KNAUER interface channels

The following settings must be entered separately for each of the KNAUER Interface Device channels. Both Smartline Manager 5000 / IF2 and KNAUER HPLC Box use the same channel configuration procedure. Every KNAUER

Interface Device can be configured to use up to 4 channels. Note that each of these channels can be assigned to different ClarityChrom Instruments.

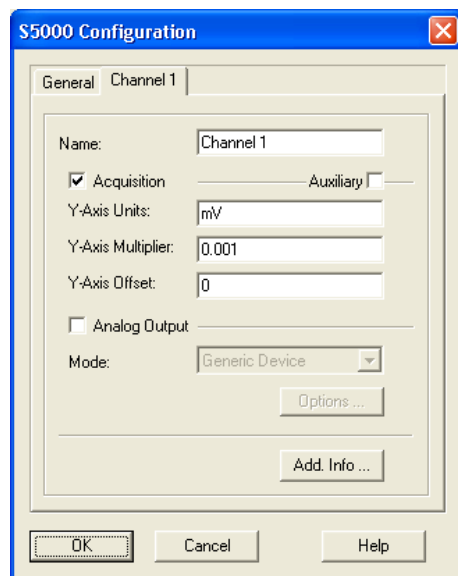


Fig. 70 Configuration window interface channels

NAME: Each channel can be named separately. These are the names that the program later uses for the channel names in the chromatograms. However, each name may be used only once per system.



Note: Use a name which is unique within ClarityChrom. It is not allowed to configure two devices with the same name.

ACQUISITION: If this option is activated, the analog input will be used for data acquisition. Simultaneously, the digital output of this channel is used as autozero output automatically. There is a one-second short circuit impulse when the chromatogram is initialized or a method is sent. The recorded chromatogram is treated in the software like the chromatogram of any other detector. It can be evaluated, used for calibrating and the results can be displayed as a report.

AUXILIARY: If this option is activated, the signal is recorded via the analog input of the device and saved as trace in the software but will not be treated like a chromatogram in the software. It cannot be evaluated and not be used for calibrating. Its results cannot be displayed. This option is meant for recording data from peripheral devices, e.g. thermometers, pressure sensor, pH measuring devices. To activate the check box AUXILIARY, the check box ACQUISITION has to be activated.

Y-AXIS UNITS: Here you can enter the measuring signal unit appropriate for your detector. The default unit is mV (millivolt) since the A/D converter measures voltage. If you select another unit, make sure that you enter the right conversion factor for the measuring signal to be recorded via Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER.

Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER: Here you can enter the conversion factor for the measuring signal for the actual recorded voltage. The default value is 0.001 because the software displays the recorded value in micro volt but the unit is millivolt.

The following table shows examples for the names of the y-axis (units) and the necessary conversion factors.

| Y-Axis Label | Y-Axis Multiplier |
|---------------------|--|
| Volt | 0.000001 |
| Millivolt | 0,001 |
| Microvolt | 1 |
| Other | Enter a number such that when multiplied by microvolts, gives you the desired units. |

For example, if you want the label to be units, and each unit corresponds to 5 microvolts of signal, enter 0.2 ($1/5 = 0.2$).

Y-AXIS OFFSET: If the recorded signal is not 0 (zero) when the detector itself displays 0, you can correct this value via Y-AXIS OFFSET. The offset has to be entered with the same unit that is used for the y-axis. Please note that the offset is multiplied with Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER as well.

$$DU = MS * Y-M + Y-O$$

DU = displayed units
 MS = measured signal in microvolts
 Y-M = Y-Axis Multiplier
 Y-O = Y-Axis Offset

If in the default setting (Y-AXIS UNITS: mV and Y-AXIS MULTIPLIER: 0.001) a signal of -2mV is displayed and the detector itself displays a signal of 0, the signal can be offset from 2000 to 0 with Y-AXIS OFFSET. If the signal is 3 mV, an Y-AXIS OFFSET of -3000 has to be entered.

ANALOG OUTPUT: The analog output of an A/D converter can be used to drive those devices which are designed for it. The flow of some pumps can be controlled via the analog input, and on some detectors, the wavelength can be set via the analog input. The analog output of the manager 5000/5050 or the IF2/IFU 2.1 has a range of 0-10 Volt. The smallest possible voltage step for a 12 bit resolution is at 2.44 mv Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for current values. To activate the analog output, click the ANALOG OUTPUT check box.

MODE: Three modes can be selected from the drop-down list: "Generic Device", "LC Pump", or "Detector". If "LC Pump" or "Detector" is selected, the button OPTIONS is activated. This opens a configuration menu with settings, which simplify programming in the Method Setup later on.

GENERIC DEVICE: Default mode when using the analog output. The device is controlled by setting the analog output voltage directly based on voltage values entered by user.

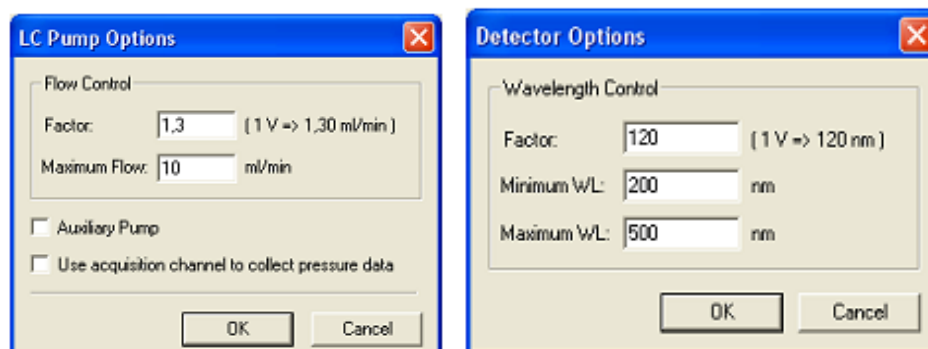


Fig. 71 Control options for LC pump mode and detector mode

LC PUMP: If you want to control a pump with the analog output of the A/D converter, select the mode "LC Pump". In this mode, during Method Setup the flow instead of the voltage is retrieved when programming the analog output of the A/D converter. Click OPTIONS to open the options menu.

FACTOR: The factor enables you to program a flow rate instead of a voltage during Method Setup and makes the software calculate the necessary voltage autonomously. Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for necessary information.

MAXIMUM FLOW: Enter the maximum flow rate that is supported by your pump. This mode prevents programming a flow rate higher than the supported flow rate during Method Setup.

AUXILIARY PUMP: Check this option to configure the pump as an auxiliary pump. By default the pump is configured as a part of ClarityChrom LC Gradient system. An auxiliary pump has a separate menu for programming the flow in the Method Setup.

USE ACQUISITION CHANNEL TO COLLECT PRESSURE DATA: Check this option in the case that the analog input of this channel (acquisition part) should be used to collect pressure data. In this case acquired data will be sent to ClarityChrom as pressure data from this pump.



Note: In case that the pump is configured to collect pressure data, please check that the acquisition settings are configured correctly. Note that in this case pressure units are hard-coded to the current pressure units selected by the user (MPa, bar or psi).

DETECTOR: If you want to control the wavelength of a detector via analog control, select "Detector" from the drop-down list. In this mode, during Method Setup the wavelength instead of the voltage is retrieved when programming the analog output of the A/D converter. Click OPTIONS to open the options menu.

FACTOR: The factor enables you to program a wavelength instead of a voltage during Method Setup and makes the software calculate the necessary voltage autonomously. Please refer to the manual of the A/D converter for necessary information.

MINIMUM WL / MAXIMUM WL: Enter the wavelength range that is supported by your detector. This mode prevents programming a wavelength higher or lower than the supported wavelength during Method Setup.

When complete, click OK to close the window.

If you want to use multiple channels of the A/D converter, you have to perform the configuration for each channel. Please note that analog input and the analog output cannot be used simultaneously.

When complete, click OK to close the window. The OK button for closing the configuration window is active only after a serial number has been entered.



Note: The different configured channels can be added to different instruments. Each channel supports an independent trigger (start) input.

Detector connections

Up to four detectors can be connected to the Manager 5000/5050, the IF2/IFU 2.1 or the KNAUER HPLC Box.

Always use a shielded twisted pair cable to connect each detector to the interface. This minimizes electrical noise. Connect the analog output lines from each detector you want to acquire data from to one of the four analog connections labeled AN.IN 1 through 4.



Note: It is not possible to use the cinch connector and the WAGO connector from the same channel for different instruments. They are not independent of each other.



Note: After powering up the A/D converter, allow 15 minutes for the electronics to stabilize before running samples that require sensitive measurements.

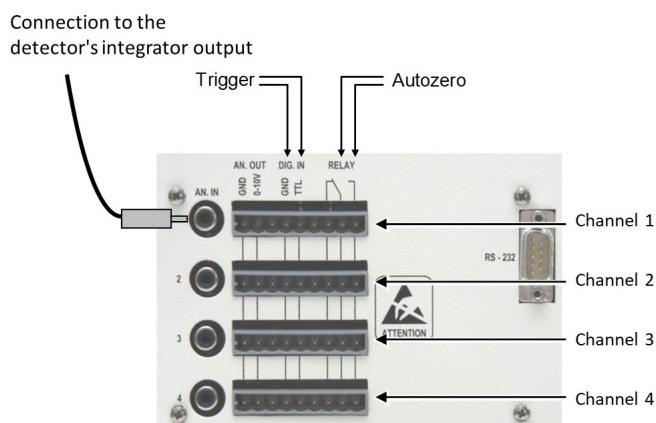


Fig. 72 Cable connections to the Manager 5000/5050 or IF2/IFU 2.1

If you want your instrument to trigger the start of data acquisition or to perform an autozero, you must take care for making the trigger signal and autozero connections. Exempt from this is triggering via an autosampler and via detector. For autosamplers, a logical trigger (see chapter Configuration - Autosampler) is supported. The digital inputs and outputs used for the connections are situated on WAGO connectors adjacent to the Integrator Inputs. Each of the WAGO connectors corresponds to one of the data acquisition channels.

Trigger signal connection

Connect one pole of the trigger cable to one of the connectors labeled DIG.IN / TTL, and the other pole to the connector labeled DIG.IN / GROUND (digital ground). Each of the WAGO connectors corresponds to one of the data acquisition channels.

Autozero signal connections

The autozero signal cable has to be connected to the NO relay connectors, as depicted in Fig. 73 on page 63. On powering-up, the software automatically selects the output if the analog input of the channel has been configured for data acquisition. Each of the WAGO connectors corresponds to one of the data acquisition channels.

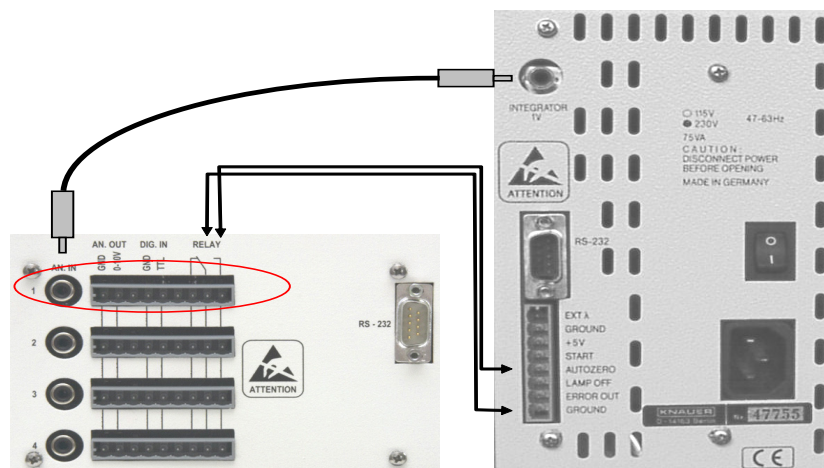


Fig. 73 Wiring examples Manager 5000/IF2 and K-2501

The figure shows the connection of a detector to an Interface Box or the Manager 5000, using the KNAUER K-2501 detector as an example.

Configuration – AZURA® Assistant ASM 2.1L

The AZURA® Assistant ASM 2.1L is a modular device that allows combining up to 3 devices (modules). The following devices can be included:

- AZURA® Pump P 2.1S, P 4.1S
- AZURA® Detector UVD 2.1S
- KNAUER valves with 2, 6, 12, and 16 positions
- Valco valves with 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 16 positions

Configuration rules

Three pumps are not supported in an assistant. Pumps cannot run in a HPG, if they are installed in different ASM 2.1L housings. In an HPG system, both pumps are configured as P 4.1S

Only one UV detector can be added.

One valve drive can be used as a fraction collector, if the KNAUER Fraction Collector Control option is installed and the appropriate license option is used. Cascading fraction valves are not supported, **only one fraction valve in an ASM 2.1L can be configured**. This is also applicable, if the valves are installed in different ASM 2.1L housings, or the other valves are standalone.

All the devices will be controlled by only one LAN port; a serial control via RS-232 is not implemented.

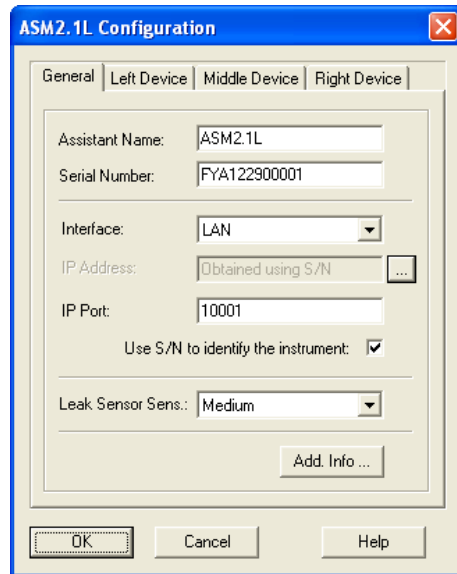


Fig. 74 AZURA® Assistant ASM 2.1L configuration windows, tab General

If one of the modules shall not be used (controlled), it has to be removed from the ASM 2.1L configuration. In order to do so, the DEVICE TYPE has to be set to “None” in the respective device. There is no option to disable a configured module later on in the Method Setup.


The configuration window has four tabs, one for general settings concerning the entire assistant (GENERAL) and one for each of the three device positions, LEFT, MIDDLE, and RIGHT.

In the window System CONFIGURATION, the ASM 2.1L is displayed as one device with up to three sub devices. If the ASM 2.1L is added to an instrument, all configured sub-devices are added.

General ASSISTANT NAME: The name of the assistant ASM 2.1L appears automatically. You can enter any other descriptive name. This name will appear on the assistant tab when the method setup or device monitor windows are displayed.



Note: Use a name which is unique within ClarityChrom. It is not allowed to configure two devices with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: If you have transferred the device configuration via , the serial number is already displayed in the window. Otherwise type in the serial number of the instrument.

INTERFACE: The assistant ASM 2.1L only supports LAN connection, only one LAN port for all 3 devices is required.

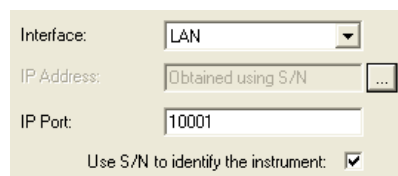




Fig. 75 LAN interface dialog

With the  button, the configuration of the entire assistant can be read out and transferred. You can also configure each integrated module via the corresponding tab.

LEAK SENSOR SENSITIVITY: Select the leak sensor's sensitivity in accordance with your requirements. The choices are Off, Low, Medium and High.

ADD. INFO...: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.



Note: If you have already transferred the configuration of the entire assistant using the  button of the General Tab, you don't have to configure the modules of the assistant individually. This is the recommended approach. The automatic configuration eliminates the risk of a faulty configuration. Nevertheless, the manual configuration will be described below.

Left Device

Due to that for all three device positions the same devices and settings can be selected, the options will only be described for the Left Device tab.

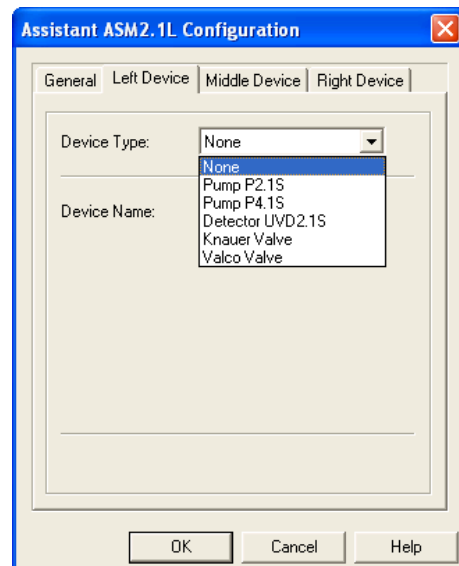


Fig. 76 Configuration window left device tab, device type selection

DEVICE TYPE: From the drop-down list, select the device that is installed on the left side of the ASM 2.1L.

Device Type

PUMP P 2.1S: If this pump is selected, you can choose the device name (please refer to the device name section below), the gradient type (NONE, HPG A, HPG B) and the pump head (10 ML, 50 ML).

PUMP P 4.1S: If this pump is selected, you can choose the device name (please refer to the device name section below), the gradient type (NONE, HPG A, HPG B) and the pump head (10 ML, 50 ML). For using an HPG, the pump heads must be identical. Due to that the Pump P4.1S is equipped with a pressure sensor; you can also select the unit for the pressure monitoring (MPa, bar, psi).


DETECTOR UVD 2.1S: If selected, you can choose the device name (please refer to the device name section below) and the Y-Axis Units (MAU, MAU, AU). The FLOW CELL field allows for entering information regarding the used detector flow cell.

KNAUER VALVE: If selected, you can choose the device name (please refer to the device name section below) and the number of position. Please be sure to select the correct number of position, if you select it manually. Positions 2, 6, 12, or 16 can be selected. For a valve in the ASM 2.1L, the option USE AS A FRACTION COLLECTOR can be activated (only for ClarityChrom Prep). If selected, there are additional options: You can enter the Vial Volume (please be sure to enter the correct volume) and setup Tubing and Solvent/Peak Recycling. Please refer to the chapter Configuration - Fraction Collectors for detailed information. If for another valve in the assistant the option USE AS A FRACTION COLLECTOR is already selected, for the next valve an error message THE FRACTION COLLECTION OPTION IS ALREADY SELECTED FOR ANOTHER VALVE will be shown.



Note: Only one valve in an ASM 2.1L can be configured as a fraction valve. Valve cascading is not supported, also not with valves from other ASM 2.1L or standalone valves.

VALCO VALVE: If selected, you can choose the device name (please refer to the device name section below) and the number of position. Please be sure to select the correct number of position, if you select it manually. Positions 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, or 16 can be selected. For a valve in the ASM 2.1L, the option USE AS A FRACTION COLLECTOR can be activated (only for ClarityChrom Prep). If selected, there are additional options: You can enter the Vial Volume (please be sure to enter the correct volume) and setup Tubing and Solvent/Peak Recycling. Please refer to the chapter Configuration - Fraction Collectors for detailed information. If for another valve in the assistant the option USE AS A FRACTION COLLECTOR is already selected, for the next valve an error message THE FRACTION COLLECTION OPTION IS ALREADY SELECTED FOR ANOTHER VALVE will be shown.

DEVICE NAME: The default name corresponds to the selected device type. All device names must be unique in an instrument (configuration). Therefore, enter different names for the same device types, e.g., if a high pressure gradient is used. If the configuration of the ASM 2.1L has been read-out using the  button at the GENERAL tab, the software will name devices from the same type automatically with different names. For valves, a letter referring to the module's position in the assistant ASM 2.1L (L, M, or R) will be added, e.g. a valve in left position will be named as "ValveL". Pumps will get an A or B increment for HPG A or B pump. However, you can edit the automatically given name as well as the HPG position for the pumps.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name. This is also applicable, if more than one ASM 2.1L have been configured. Neither the name of the ASM 2.L nor the names of the subdevices must have the same name. E.g., if in one ASM 2.1L a valve is named as "ValveL", for all other ASM 2.1L no "ValveL" name for a valve subdevice is allowed.

Middle Device

Since identical modules and settings can be selected for all three device positions in the ASM 2.1L, the configuration is only described for the Left Device tab.

Right Device

Since identical modules and settings can be selected for all three device positions in the ASM 2.1L, the configuration is only described for the Left Device tab.



Note: If one of the modules should not be controlled, it must be removed from the ASM 2.1L configuration. There is no option to disable a configured module later on in the Method Setup.

Configuration - autosamplers

The settings of the other Spark autosamplers are mostly comparable.

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| KNAUER Smartline AS 3800 | Spark Marathon |
| KNAUER Smartline AS 3900 | Spark Midas |
| AS 3950 | PLATINblue AS-1 |
| AZURA® Autosampler AS 6.1L | |

The KNAUER Optimas can be controlled via serial port, while the Spark Optimas autosampler is not equipped with a serial port.

For the Autosampler 3900/KNAUER Optimas/Spark Midas and Triathlon we recommend setting the DIP switch for the serial interface into "OFF" position. This helps preventing communication problems with additionally added interfaces, e.g. a USB serial converter. We recommend accessing the autosampler 3800/Spark Marathon via on-board interface, which is directly installed on the computer's mainboard.



Note: More than one autosampler can only be controlled in a LAN network, if all of the autosamplers are running with TCP/IP protocol. AS 6.1L will be delivered with active TCP/IP, AS 3950 or AS-1 may need to be switched. Ask the KNAUER Customer Support for more information on how to switch an autosampler from UDP to TCP/IP. The autosamplers AS 3950 and AS 6.1L additionally use IP ports 80, 2101 and 2362.

The configuration windows for the Spark and KNAUER autosamplers are all practically the same.

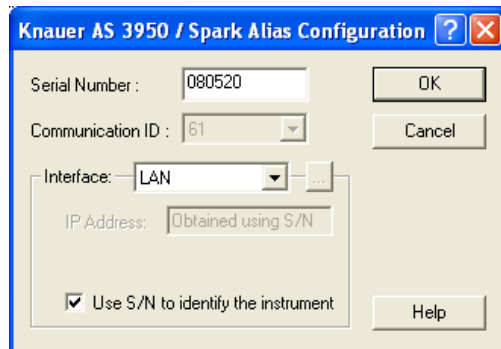


Fig. 77 Configuration window for the autosampler AS 3950

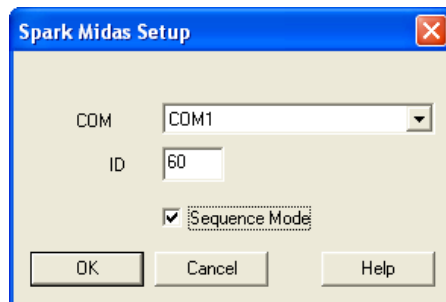



Fig. 78 Configuration window for the autosampler AS 3900 (Spark Midas) (equal to KNAUER Optimas)



Note: The autosampler S 3950 is either equipped with a LAN port or with a serial port.


Interface RS-232

(S 3950 only)


COM PORT From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your autosampler is connected. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended.

Interface LAN

(AS 6.1L / AS3950 only)

IP ADDRESS: If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended.


USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

INTERFACE [...] Click the  button to get a list of all devices (pumps, detectors, etc.) which can be accessed via the selected interface (). Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The serial number is read directly from the device.

COM (AS 6.1L / AS3950 only): From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your autosampler is connected.

ID / COMMUNICATION ID: Enter or select from the drop-down list the ID number for the autosampler in use. For the autosampler AS 3950, it is inaccessibly fixed at 61. For all other devices, the ID can be displayed on the device itself. If the ID on the device and in the software do not correspond, communication is not possible.

- Autosampler 3800/Spark Marathon: On the device, press keys <F> and <4>. The device display then shows "SERIAL MODE PRESS F0 TO EXIT". Press the key <PROG/END> to show the ID. Values from 1 to 19 are possible. To leave the ID display, press the key <PROG/END> again. To be able to access the autosampler via software, it has to be switched on prior to starting the Instrument (Login) in the ClarityChrom and set to Serial Mode, as described above.
- Autosampler 3900/KNAUER Optimas/Spark Midas: On the autosampler, press the key below the "Serial" on the display. This is displayed when the autosampler has been switched on. The autosampler is then in Serial Mode in which it can be accessed. Consecutively, press <System>, <Menu>, and <Serial>. An ID between 60 and 69 is possible. To be able to access the autosampler via software, it has to be switched on prior to starting the Instrument (Login) in the ClarityChrom and set to Serial Mode, as described above.
- Autosampler Spark Triathlon: To enter the Serial Mode, press the keys <Menu> and <Serial> on the autosampler. From there you can enter the display with the ID by clicking <System>, <Menu>, <COMM>, and <E> (Enter). To be able to access the autosampler via software, it has to be switched on prior to starting the Instrument (Login) in the ClarityChrom and set to Serial Mode, as described above.

SER. NUMBER (AS 6.1L / AS3950 only): Type in the serial number of the interface you are using. It is recommended to read out the device via . Then, the serial can be transmitted from the device.

SEQUENCE MODE (only KNAUER Optimas / S 3800 / S 3900): Sequence Mode (KNAUER Optimas, AS 3800/Marathon, AS 3900/Midas only) The sequence mode allows advanced wash features for the autosampler. This option is not available for the Autosampler AS 3950.

When complete, click OK to close the window.

Configuration - column thermostat

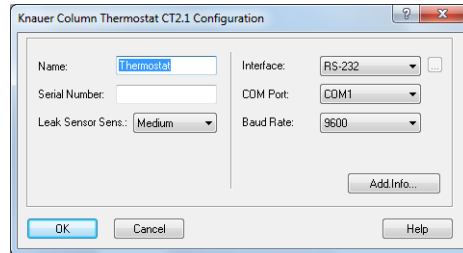


Fig. 79 Configuration window for CT 2.1

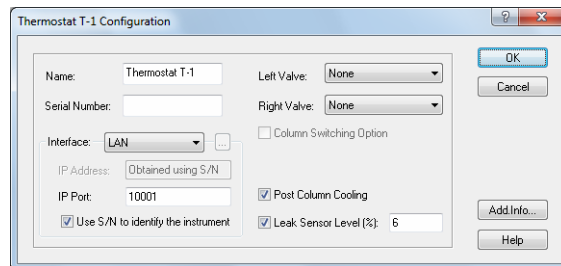


Fig. 80 Configuration window of the PLATINblue T-1

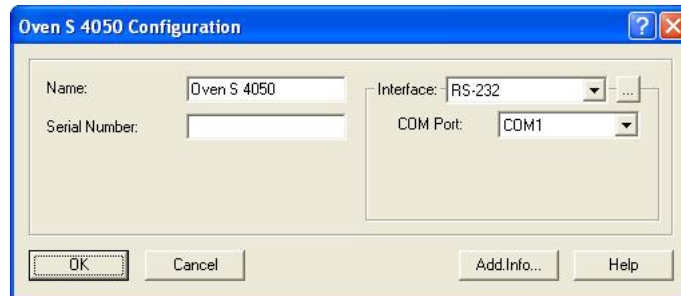


Fig. 81 Configuration window for the Smartline 4050

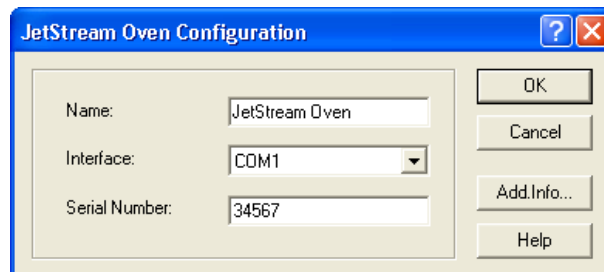


Fig. 82 Configuration window of the Jetstream



Note: The Jetstream is supported from firmware version b1.17. If the control panel is connected, don't touch any key if the device is started, otherwise the device control will not work.

NAME: Enter a descriptive name for the column thermostat. Use a name which is unique within the instrument.




Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

INTERFACE (not for Jetstream): The Column Thermostat CT 2.1, Smartline Oven 4050 and the T-1 can be controlled via RS-232 or LAN (Local Area Network). The settings for these interfaces will be different:



Fig. 83 Interface RS-232 Interface LAN


Interface RS-232 **COM PORT:** From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your oven is connected.


Interface LAN **IP ADDRESS (not for Jetstream):** If the option **USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT** is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the  button, the software recognizes the connected and switched-on device automatically. This procedure is recommended.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT (not for Jetstream): This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.




Note: We recommend the use of the option **USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT** to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.

INTERFACE [...] (not for Jetstream): Click the  button to get a list of all devices which can be accessed via the selected interface. Select a device and click on **SELECT #** to confirm. The serial number is read directly from the device.

SERIAL NUMBER: If you have read out CT 2.1, PLATINblue T-1 or Smartline 4050 with the  button as described above, the serial number has been added automatically. Otherwise, type in the serial number of the column oven you are using.

LEAK SENSOR SENS. (CT 2.1 only): The sensitivity of the leak sensor depends on the selection. Three different settings are available: **OFF** (leak sensor is switched off), **LOW** (low sensitivity), **MEDIUM** (medium sensitivity), and **HIGH** (high sensitivity).

For the T-1 only **LEFT VALVE/RIGHT VALVE:** If you have read out PLATINblue T-1 with the , the complete configuration settings have been submitted. You don't have to select a valve type as well. Otherwise, select the valve type from the drop-down list. The options are 6-Port MPOS, 8-Port MPOS, 10-Port MPOS, 6-Port

2POS, 8-Port 2POS, and 10-Port 2POS (MPOS means multi-position, 2POS means that the valve can switch between two positions). When the option COLUMN SWITCHING is not selected, two different valves can be selected for both sides.

COLUMN SWITCHING OPTION: This option can be selected when the same valve type can be selected for both sides. This option allows both valves to be switched at the same time with one signal (program command).

POST COLUMN COOLING: If the POST COLUMN COOLING is selected, the temperature for the post column cooling can be programmed in the Method Setup.

LEAK SENSOR LEVEL [%]: The sensitivity of the leak sensor depends on the entered value. A low value equals a low sensitivity. A sensitivity value of 0-100 can be entered.

Configuration - switching valves

In the switching valve configuration window, up to 8 valves can be configured as a "group". The advantage of this procedure is that all configured valves can be programmed from a table in Method Setup. You can configure the valves individually as well. Every configured valve then receives its own setup window in Method Setup. The configuration of the KNAUER valves of the WellChrom series (K-2, K-6, K-12, K-16), Smartline (V2, V6, V12, V16), and AZURA® (V 2.1S) are identical. The AZURA® VU 4.1 supports more option, check the description of these options.

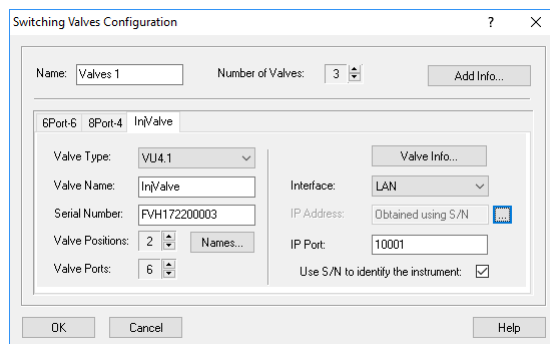


Fig. 84 Configuration window for VU 4.1 and KNAUER switching valves

NAME: This is a "group name" for the "device" in which 8 valves can be configured. These valves do not have to be integrated into one housing. This is just a logical sequence. In Method Setup, this "group name" appears in the "Valve" tab, while the setup table of the configured valve of this group can be programmed under its name (see below). Enter a descriptive name for the selected valve. Use a name which is unique within the instrument.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name. If you enter multiple valves separately, every valve group is named "Valves 1". Since identical names are not allowed, you have to change the names manually.


NUMBER OF VALVES: Enter the number of valves used in a group. The maxi-

mum possible number is 8.


ADD INFO...: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the valve group. The additional information entered here is printed out in the device configuration.



Note: The following settings must be entered separately for each of the valves. To read out the configuration data (recommended procedure) or enter it manually, select each valve via its tab.

VALVE TYPE: Select the correct valve type (KNAUER series). Then click on the  button to read-out the valve. This will transfer the necessary information from the valve drive to the software.

VALVE NAME: Enter a descriptive name for the selected valve. Use a name which is unique within the instrument. This name appears then on the tab of the valve in the Instrument Setup (method window) and in the Instrument Status (status window).

SERIAL NUMBER: If the valve is read-out using the  button, the serial number is added automatically. Otherwise it must be entered manually.

VALVE POSITIONS: If the valve cannot be read-out, select the number of valve positions. Make sure that the number of positions are matching with the corresponding valve.

VALVE PORTS: If the valve cannot be read-out, select the number of valve ports. Make sure that the number of ports are matching with the corresponding valve.

NAMES: The positions of a valve can be named in a separate menu. If a VU 4.1 is used, additionally for each position an event can be enabled. Both, names and events, will be shown in the method setup's valve time table and in the device monitor.

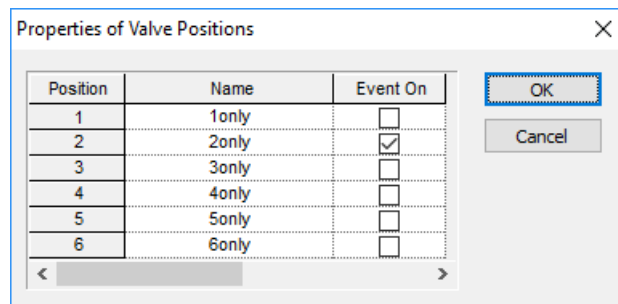


Fig. 85 VU 4.1 position properties


POSITION: These are the positions of the selected valve.

Name: You can enter a (descriptive) name for the position. Up to 16 characters are allowed. E.g. for column switching valves you can enter the name of the connected column. This name will be shown in the method setup and also in the Device Monitor section (max. 8 characters) for the valve.

EVENT ON: If you wish to receive a signal if the valve switches to this position, enable the check box. This will send a pulse of about 1 seconds to the Event/Out & Ground pin of the rearward WAGO connector if the VU 4.1 switches to the selected position




Note: If you add multiple valves separately, every valve group is named "Valves 1" and the individual valves are named "Valve #1", "Valve #2", etc. Since identical names are not allowed, you have to change the names manually.

INTERFACE: Select the connected interface (LAN or RS-232). For RS-232 you also need to select the COM port number, which is connected to your devices. Click the  button to get a list of all devices which can be accessed via the selected interface. Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The corresponding serial number and configuration (number of ports and positions) will be read-out from the device and transferred automatically

Interface RS-232

COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your valve is connected.

Interface LAN

IP ADDRESS (WellChrom and early Smartline valves do not have a LAN connection): If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the  button, the software reads out the connected and switched-on device and configuration data can be transmitted automatically. This procedure is recommended.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. Otherwise, the IP address could change with each system restart and the right IP address would have to be allocated during device configuration every time.



Note: For the KNAUER valve, the interface that is used does not have to be set in the device. The devices automatically recognizes through which interface it is accessed.

VALVE ADD INFO...: After clicking on the VALVE ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the valve. The additional information entered here is printed out with the device configuration. When complete, click OK to close the window.

Configuration - fraction collectors



ClarityChrom comes with a fractionation option from the original manufacturer. However, with the KNAUER-exclusive FRC option (former ClarityChrom Prep), the fractionation option from KNAUER can be used.

In the fraction collector group of the configuration, you will find many modules. The description of the configuration and the programming of the Method Setup is only valid for the fraction collectors supported by KNAUER. These modules are designated by the additional "Developed by Knauer" below the "Module Info". These drivers can only be used, if the FRC license is available, the fractionation options which are exclusive to KNAUER, as described in the Method Setup, are not available for any other module. Usually, these modules are not equipped with a driver for that device but are controlled with a DataApex A/D converter.

As a matter of principal, you can always fraction with a switching valve. The fractionation can be time-triggered or programmed with a table. It is also possible to use a special functionality in the event table that allows a peak recognition (Event INPUT RUN > or INPUT RUN < in combination with a level at which the collection should start or at which the fractionation should end). This option is far less convenient than KNAUER fractionation option.

The configuration procedure is the same for all fraction collectors, exclusively supported by KNAUER fractionation options (Smartline 3050, MultiValve FC, valve in ASM 2.1L, Foxy Jr., Foxy R1 and R2, Buechi C-660, and Virtual FC). The appearance of the configuration windows, however, may differ, especially for the MultiValve FC.



Note: Only one valve, built-in in the AZURA® ASM 2.1L, can be configured as a fraction collector. Valve cascading is not allowed, neither with valves from the same ASM 2.1L nor from other ASM 2.1L or with standalone valves.



Note: Only one fraction collector can be configured per system.

The KNAUER fractionation options can only be used by fraction collectors whose drivers were developed by KNAUER. When configuring a system, please be sure to select only a device which was designated as "Developed by KNAUER" in the "Module Info" column.

In the configuration of the KNAUER Smartline 3050 fraction collector, enable the option USE DIVERTING VALVE, because otherwise the valve does not switch from the Waste to the Collect position.

The solvent recycling has to be activated in a separate menu of the fraction collector configuration. With the exception of the Smartline FC 3050 and the MultiValve FC, a separate KNAUER 6POS valve is necessary. The Smartline FC 3050 comes with a fitting valve. On the MultiValve FC, one of the ports can be defined as a recycling position. Consequently, this valve is not disposable for fractionation. Although peak recycling is laid out in devices like the Smartline 3050.

The fraction collector ISCO Foxy Jr can only be accessed if a waste valve has been installed. All ISCO fraction collectors can only be accessed if no other internal program has been loaded or is being executed.



Note: If an ISCO Foxy R1/R2 is controlled, the collector's touch pad is not disabled. Don't use the panel if the collector is under software control.

Configuration - general settings of fraction collectors

For fraction collectors only supported racks can be used. For those racks the positions of the fraction vials have been programmed. Please check, if the rack selected in the software, matches with the rack enabled in the fraction collector. Racks cannot be read out or transferred from the software.

Check if the volume of the fractionation vials corresponds with the volume set in the software and change it, if necessary. Do not fill the vials full to the brim to prevent an overflow.

Tubing parameters

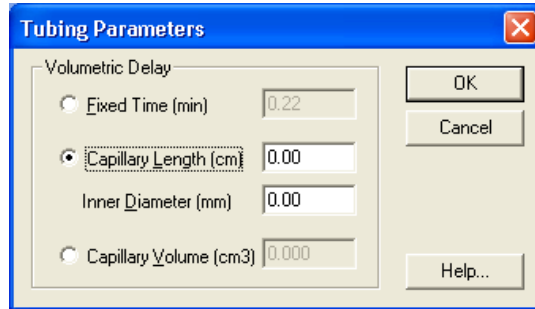


Fig. 86 Tubing parameters setup

These settings enable someone to consider the time delay for transporting the sample from the flow cell to the collector valve. If the option Recycling Valve is checked, the capillary from the flow cell via the recycling valve to the fractionation valve must be taken into account.

If you activate the option Fixed time you can enter this time delay directly. This value will be valid, even if the flow rate is changed! Because the time delay changes, the time has to be adjusted in every configuration.

Entering the Capillary Volume directly or calculating it by entering the Capillary Length and Inner Diameter, the delay time will be adapted to the programmed flow rate of the method.



Note: The Volumetric Delay, calculated by flow rate and capillary volume, can only be calculated if the flow rate is fixed over the run time. Flow gradients are not supported!

Solvent recycling

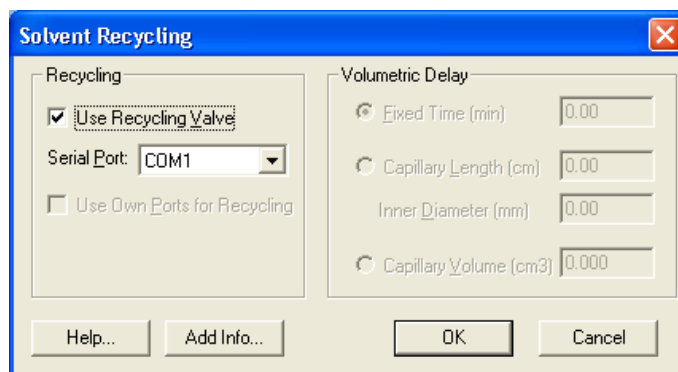


Fig. 87 Own port recycling valve setup

For an optional solvent recycling an additional recycling valve may be necessary. Check the option Recycling Valve. For this a separate Serial Port is to define. An additional KNAUER valve is required for the recycling. The settings for the volumetric delay will be displayed without access for changing. The settings are valid as well for the recycling valve as for the fractionation valve. Therefore, the capillary between the recycling valve and the fraction collector should be as short as possible.

The KNAUER fraction collector S 3050 and the MultiValve fraction collector can also use own ports for recycling. This functionality has to be activated.

ADD. INFO...: After clicking on the ADD. INFO... button, you can enter additional information about the detector.

When complete, click OK to close the window.

The virtual fraction collector is a software option that enables you to optimize the fractionation without additional samples or solvents. By opening and closing the configuration window, it is configured automatically. Still, individual settings are possible.

Configuration - Smartline 3050 fraction collector

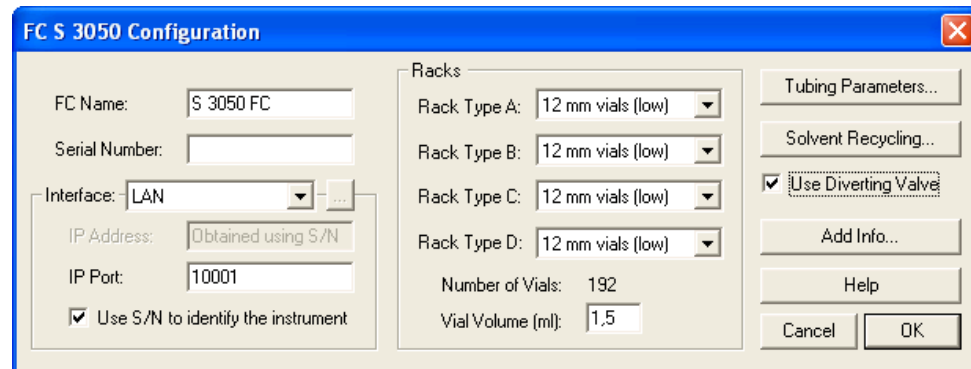


Fig. 88 Smartline 3050 FC configuration window

NAME: Enter a descriptive name for the fraction collector. Use a name which is unique within the instrument.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the collector you are using.

INTERFACE: The Smartline S 3050 can be controlled with RS-232 and LAN (Local Area Network). The settings for these interfaces will be different:



Fig. 89 Interface RS-232, interface LAN

Interface RS-232 COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your S 3050 is connected.

LAN IP Address: Enter the IP address of the S 3050. This can either be a numerical IP address or the network name of the S 3050.

IP PORT: The IP Port number used for communication with the S 3050 can be entered here.


USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: Activate this option to search for the IP address of the S 3050 with the help of the serial number. This option is recommended for a LAN connection with automatic address allocation (e.g. DHCP) and for which the address could change with every switching on of the device.



Note: The communication port (RS-232 or LAN) has to be set with a switch on the rear of the fraction collector S 3050.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. Otherwise, the IP address could change with each system restart and the right IP address would have to be allocated during device configuration every time.

INTERFACE [...]: Click the  button to get a list of the devices that are already installed. Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The corresponding configuration information, e.g. the serial number, are read out by the device.

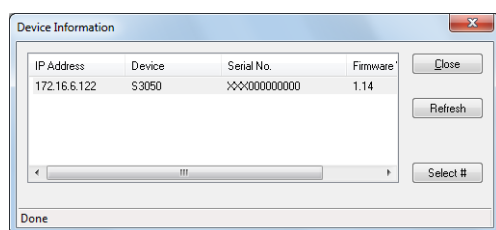


Fig. 90 Device information window S 3050

1. Click the REFRESH button to update the list of found devices.
2. Click on SELECT # to select a device. The serial number as well as any additional information for the selected device will then be automatically entered into the configuration dialog.
3. When complete, click CLOSE to exit the dialog and return to the system configuration window.

RACK TYPE: Select the desired rack type(s) from the drop-down list(s) for all positions A-D.

NUMBER OF VIALS: The Vials number will be displayed automatically according to the rack type.

VIAL VOLUME: The rack depended value will be displayed automatically. However, you are allowed to overwrite it that the volume matches with the volume of your vials. If any fraction is larger than the set volume, the next free collection position will be used for continued collection to prevent, that a vial will be overfilled.



Note: Please make sure, that in the configuration the same Rack Type is selected as in the collectors setup and the Vial Volume corresponds with the real volume of the vials you use.

TUBING PARAMETERS / SOLVENT RECYCLING: This button opens an identical dialog window for each collector separately. The window is described in the chapter Configuration - General Settings of Fraction Collectors on 74.

USE DIVERTING VALVE: Activate the option USE DIVERTING VALVE to switch the valve from the Waste to the Collect position. Otherwise, the collector arm would move into the right position but the fraction would not be collected.

Configuration - KNAUER MultiValve Fraction Collector

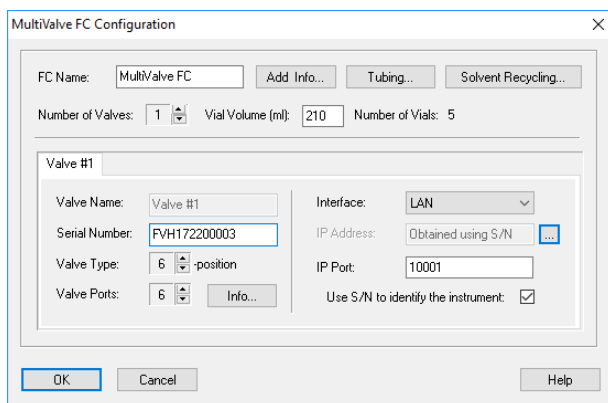


Fig. 91 Multi valve fraction collector configuration window

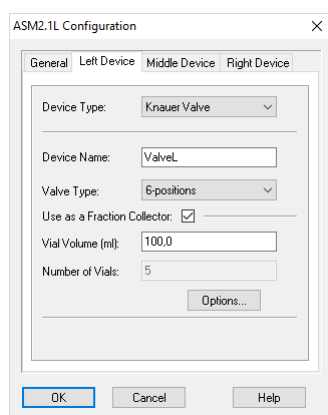


Fig. 92 Fraction valve in ASM 2.1L

The configuration of a fractionation valve in a ASM 2.1L is similar. Only one valve, built-in in the AZURA® ASM 2.1L, can be configured as a fraction collector. Valve cascading is not possible, neither with valves from the same ASM 2.1L nor from other ASM 2.1L or with standalone valves.

FC NAME: You can enter a desired name for the MultiValve fraction collector. The default name is "MultiValve FC".



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

TUBING: This button opens an identical dialog window for each collector separately. The window is described in the chapter Configuration - General Settings of Fraction Collectors on 74.

SOLVENT RECYCLING: With the KNAUER MultiValve fraction collector an additional recycling valve or an own port of the fraction valve can be used for solvent recycling. If an own port is selected, automatically the last but one port of the fraction valve will be selected; the last port is defined as Waste port.

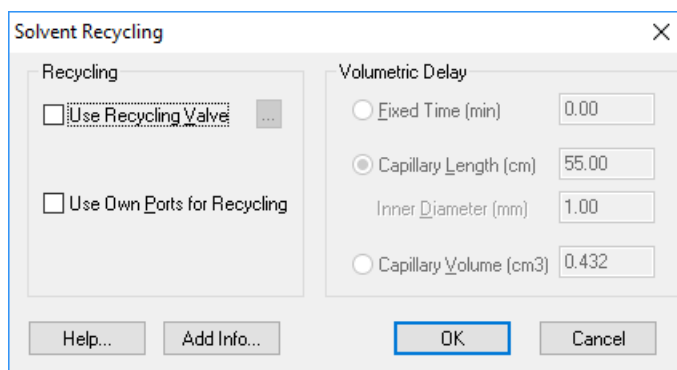


Fig. 93 Own port recycling valve setup

OPTIONS (FRC valve in ASM 2.1L only): the settings for tubing parameters and activation of a solvent recycling port are available in the OPTIONS menu.

NUMBER OF VALVES: Enter the number of valves which build up the Multi-Valve fraction collector. The maximum number of valves is 32. All valves will be configured as one fraction collector. The number of fraction positions will be counted from the first configured valve. If two 12-position valves will be cascaded, the first valve includes the fraction position 1-11, Port 12 of the first valve must be connected with the input port of the second valve. The port 1 of the second valve is fraction position 12, port 11 the last fraction position, 22. Port 12 of the second valve is the waste port. If solvent recycling with own port is selected, port 11 of the second valve is defined as solvent recycling port. In this case port 10 is the last fraction position 21.

VIAL VOLUME [ml]: Make sure that the vial volume is set correctly to prevent the vials from overflowing. As soon as the fraction volume exceeds the set limit, the collection is continued in the next free vial. This can only be calculated if the flow rate is fixed over the run time. Since the actual collection volume may be slightly larger, the vial should never be filled completely.



Note: Make sure, that the value for the Vial Volume matches with the volume of your fractionation vials. The preset volume does not necessarily match the volume of the vials that you use.


NUMBER OF VIALS: The number of vials corresponds to the number of all ports of the selected valve(s) which can be used for fractionation. Always the port with the highest number is reserved for Waste. In case of valve cascading, this port is reserved for the connection to the next valve; the Waste port is the last port of the last configured valve. If solvent recycling with own port is enabled, the recycling port is last but one; therefore, one port less is available for fractionation and shown here. In case of valve cascading, the recycling port is from the last configured valve.

VALVE #: Each involved valve has to be configured separately. The number of valve tabs is given by the set number of valves. Select the tab of a valve to open the corresponding valve setup.

SERIAL NUMBER: Each device has a unique serial number. If the device was read-out using the ...-button, the serial number is filled automatically. Other-

wise you need to enter the serial number manually. The correct serial number is mandatory for communication.

VALVE NAME: Valve name appears automatically. The first valve is named as "Valve #1", in case of valve cascading the second valve is named as "Valve #2" etc.

VALVE TYPE: The correct number of valve positions will be transferred automatically into the software if the device was read-out using the  button. Otherwise select the correct position number of your valve.

VALVE PORTS: If the valve cannot be read-out, select the number of valve ports. Make sure that the number of ports are matching with the corresponding valve.

INTERFACE: Select the connected interface (LAN or RS-232). For RS-232 you also need to select the COM port number, which is connected to your devices. Click the ...-button to get a list of all devices which can be accessed via the selected interface. Select a device and click on SELECT # to confirm. The corresponding serial number and configuration (number of ports and positions) will be read-out from the device and transferred automatically.

Interface RS-232 COM PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your valve is connected.

Interface LAN IP ADDRESS (WellChrom valves do not have a LAN connection): If the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT is activated, this input field is grayed out. If you click on the button, the software reads out the connected and switched-on device and configuration data can be transmitted automatically. This procedure is recommended.

USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT: This option is activated by default. We highly recommend using the S/N and not the IP address to identify the instrument because devices may automatically receive a new IP address when reset.



Note: We recommend the use of the option USE S/N TO IDENTIFY THE INSTRUMENT to obtain the IP address automatically, especially if a DHCP server (e.g. a router) is used. Otherwise, the IP address could change with each system restart and the right IP address would have to be allocated during device configuration every time.

Configuration - Foxy R1 / R2 Fraction Collectors

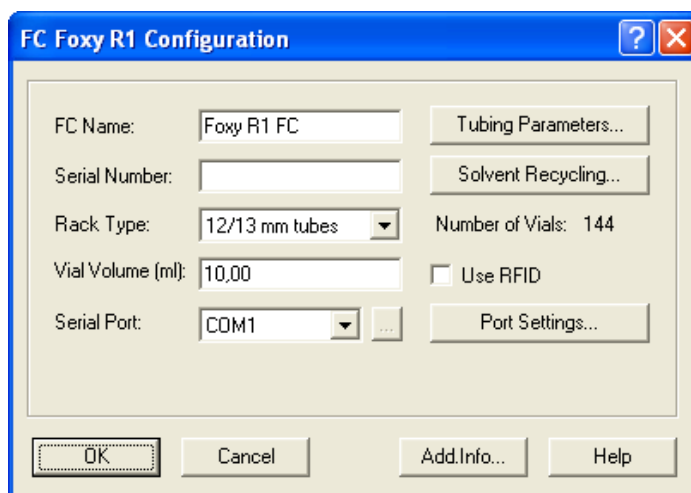


Fig. 94 Configuration window Foxy R1 FC (Foxy R2 FC)

NAME: Enter a descriptive name for the fraction collector. Use a name which is unique within the instrument.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the collector you are using.
Rack Type

RACK TYPE: Select the type of the rack you want to configure from the drop-down list. The available choices depend on the individual fraction collector. Please make sure, that in the configuration the same rack type is selected as in the collector's setup. If the number of vials of the selected rack type is higher than for the rack type, selected in the collector, a message "Cannot establish communication" will be shown.



Note: Please make sure, that in the configuration the same Rack Type is selected as in the collector's setup.

NUMBER OF VIALS: The Vials number will be displayed automatically according to the rack type.

USE RFID: The fraction collector R2 allows identifying the rack type using RFID technology. If this option is enabled, the driver will read-out the rack type from the collector.

VIAL VOLUME: A vial volume that is common for the selected rack type is displayed. However, it can be overwritten. Make sure that the vial volume is set correctly to prevent the vials from overflowing. As soon as the fraction volume exceeds the set limit, the collection is continued in the next free vial. This can only be calculated if the flow rate is fixed over the run time. Since the actual collection volume may be slightly larger, the vial should never be filled completely.



Note: Make sure, that the value for the Vial Volume matches with the volume of your fractionation vials.

SERIAL PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your fraction collector is connected. The LAN interface is currently not supported.

SERIAL PORT [...]: Click the [...] to open a window which shows the connected devices and their current firmware version. It does not allow getting any configuration information from the device, as serial number or rack type.

PORT SETTINGS: This button will open a separate menu to select the COM port's data rate. The data rate has to match the data rate set in the fraction collector. Do not change the preset data rate of 19200 baud. Otherwise, stable communication is not possible.



Fig. 95 Port Settings



Note: Please note that the touch pad of the Foxy R1/R2 FC will NOT be BLOCKED if the device will be controlled by software. Therefore it is highly recommended, not to use the touch pad under software control. This is equally valid when switching the Collect/Waste valve or moving the collector arm via the touchscreen. The software cannot recognize inputs via the touch pad. This causes the software to omit the collected fractions when opening the DEVICE MONITOR - SHOW RACK and to display a wrong vial position for all following collected fractions.

Configuration - other fraction collectors

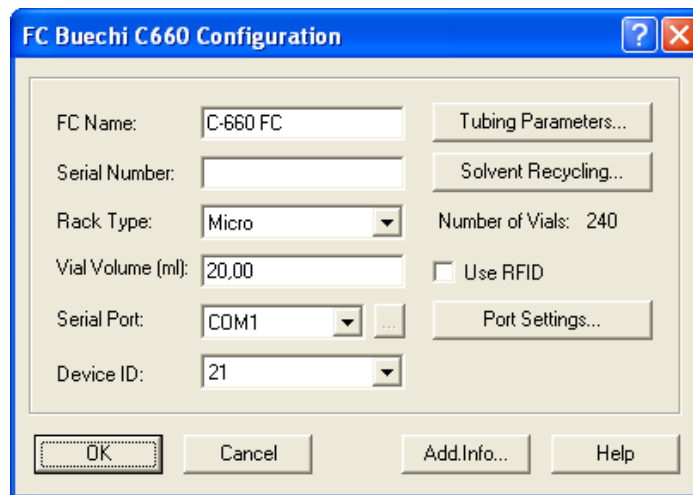


Fig. 96 Configuration window for Buechi C-660, Foxy Jr., and Virtual FC)

NAME: Enter a descriptive name for the fraction collector. Use a name which is unique within the instrument.



Note: Use a name which is unique within the instrument (configuration). It is not allowed to configure two devices in an instrument with the same name.

SERIAL NUMBER: Type in the serial number of the collector you are using.

RACK TYPE: Select the type of the rack you want to configure from the drop-down list. The available choices depend on the individual fraction collector.



Note: Please make sure, that in the configuration the same Rack Type is selected as in the collector's setup.


NUMBER OF VIALS: The Vials number will be displayed automatically according to the rack type.

VIAL VOLUME: A vial volume that is common for the selected rack type is displayed. However, it can be overwritten. Make sure that the vial volume is set correctly to prevent the vials from overflowing. As soon as the fraction volume exceeds the set limit, the collection is continued in the next free vial. This can only be calculated if the flow rate is fixed over the run time. Since the actual collection volume may be slightly larger, the vial should never be filled completely.



Note: Make sure, that the value for the Vial Volume matches with the volume of your fractionation vials.

SERIAL PORT: From the drop-down list, select the serial port on your PC where your fraction collector is connected.


SERIAL PORT [...]: Click the  button to get the configuration information of the instrument connected to the selected interface. Select your device by a mouse click and click then on the SELECT # button.

DEVICE ID (Buechi C-660 only): From the drop-down list, select the Device ID of the connected fraction collector. Read the User Manual for the corresponding fraction collector to get more information about the Device ID.

USE RFID: If your fraction collector supports this function, check the box to allow for automatic recognition of the rack by RFID chip.

PORT SETTINGS...: For some devices you can set the configuration of the serial communication port. Be sure, that it matches with the port settings on the device. Read the User Manual for the corresponding fraction collector to get more information about the required settings.

Configuration - completing instruments

To use the devices configured in an instrument, they have to be added to the instrument using the  button (ADD SELECTED (SUB) DEVICES). When using a PDA detector or an installed GPC option, the corresponding Instrument Type has to be selected. For further information, refer to the chapter Configuration - Instrument Type. A device can only be added to one instrument. If a device has been added to an instrument, the instrument name will be shown on the left-handed side of the configuration window in the column Used.

Configuration - instrument type

Select the instrument type from the drop-down list. It depends on the license options on your USB hardware key (dongle). To control a GC system, select the option GC, for an (HP)LC system select LC. If the system includes a PDA detector or a detector with scan functionality, enable the PDA check box. If an instrument type is selected, ClarityChrom will check if the selected license

options are available. If not, an error message will be shown, that the license options/extensions must be purchased.

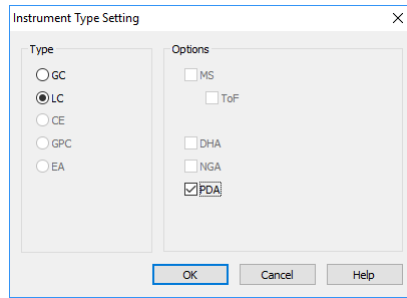


Fig. 97 Instrument Type selection



Note: The setting is individual for each ClarityChrom Instrument.

Configuration - device (start input)

To start all devices in a run at the same time (synchronous start), the external start digital input must be selected. Normally the start signal (trigger) will be sent by the injection device (autosampler, manual injection valve, electrically driven injection valve...). In the Device section of the configuration window, use EXT. START DIG. INPUT to select the device that receives the start / trigger signal. If no device is selected here, you cannot run a sequence. All devices with a start input are displayed in the device. Make sure that the start input of the selected device is connected to the start/trigger output of the injection device with a start/trigger cable. Select a number under NUMBER. A/D converters have often a start/trigger input for every channel (KNAUER A/D converters have 4 channels, means 4 start inputs). Be sure to select the correct input number. All other devices have just one start/trigger input. If -- is displayed, the start/trigger input is not active. This means that the trigger signal cannot be detected.

If the configured autosampler (SAMPLER #) is listed, you can use it for a "logical" trigger. In this case a start/trigger cable is not required.

If the trigger is connected to a KNAUER device, the trigger length must be 1 second in minimum. Shorter short circuits may not start the data acquisition.

If the system does not include an injector or any other device capable of sending a start/trigger signal and you still want to use sequences, you can resort to the special functionalities of a virtual detector. Configure a virtual detector and add it to your instrument. Select the virtual detector (VD) from the menu Ext. Start Dig. Input off. If the virtual detector is selected for the start input, it will send in a sequence a logical trigger, if all devices have sent a Ready status.

The AZURA® VU 4.1 Start Input is not supported as a physical input. If selected, it works same as the trigger for the Virtual Detector. If a sequence is started, a run will be started if all devices send "Ready" status.

| | Device | Number |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Ext. Start Dig. Input: | S 1000 | 1 |
| Ready Dig. Output: | S 1000 | -- |

| | Device | Number |
|------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Ext. Start Dig. Input: | Sampler 1 | 1 |
| Ready Dig. Output: | S 1000 | -- |

| | Device | Number |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Ext. Start Dig. Input: | VD | 1 |
| Ready Dig. Output: | S 1000 | -- |

Fig. 98 Devices for the Ext.Start Dig. Input: S 1000, autosampler, virtual detector



Note: Without a device, selected for the start signal, no sequence can be started. A number must be selected to activate the start input. If a device is selected, the start/trigger input of the device must be connected with the start/trigger cable. If the autosampler is selected, the trigger cable must not be connected.

The Ready Dig. Output allows to send a signal from a device, e.g. to control an autosampler, which is not supported in ClarityChrom software. Under NUMBER select the desired digital output of the device. If a sequence is running, the signal will be sent if no run is started. During a run, the signal will not be sent.

Configuration - units setup

The units setup allows for setting units for different parameters. As an example, the units for the flow or pressure trace can be selected as well as the base for the area calculation of peaks, The units for the KNAUER detector signal can only be selected in the corresponding detector configuration.

Configuration - method sending

For a detailed description of the configuration, refer to the Reference Manual chapter 1.1.3 Configuration. In particular, pay attention the options which are accessible under METHOD OPTIONS. This button opens the Instrument Method Sending dialog. Since the method settings are not sent to the devices directly before starting a chromatographic run, three other points of time are set for this procedure: when the Instrument window is opened, when a saved method file is opened, and when changes in the method setup dialog are confirmed. (Additionally, it is possible to manually send the device parameters by clicking SEND METHOD in the Method Setup or the Single Analysis window) In the setup can be selected if the settings should be send automatically, if a window to confirm the method sending should be displayed or if the settings never should be send to the devices.

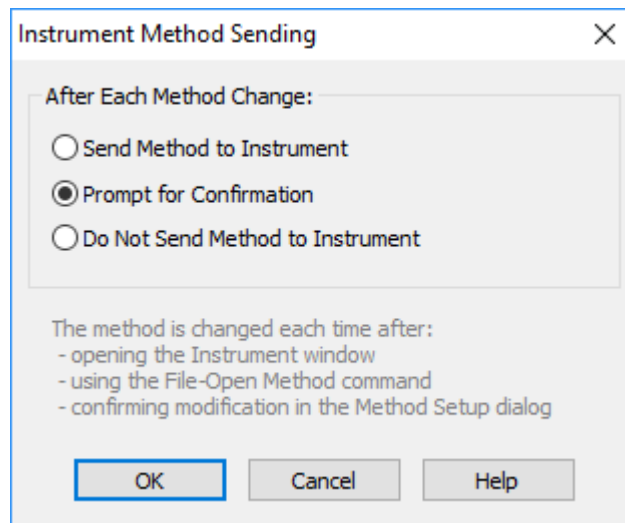


Fig. 99 Instrument Method Sending



Note: This setting can be made for each ClarityChrom instrument (system) individually.



Note: The setting is common to all instruments (GC/LC/AS devices) attached to the same ClarityChrom Instrument.

Digital outputs

The digital outputs available on the rear panel of the devices can be set via METHOD SETUP or directly accessed in this menu. In the main window, click DIGITAL OUTPUTS to open a list of devices. If the configuration only includes one device with digital outputs, the instrument selection will not be shown.

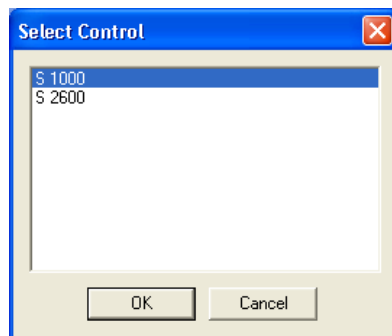


Fig. 100 Instrument selection for digital outputs

Select the desired device to open the corresponding digital output dialog window.

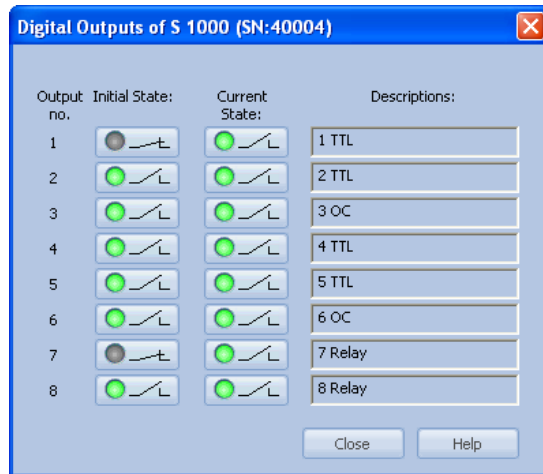


Fig. 101 Setting of digital outputs

Setup - systems and instruments

This chapter describes the commands of the Instrument window - the fundamental window for chromatogram measurement and evaluation. The station allows for up to four Instrument windows to be displayed at one time. The number of displayed instruments may exceed the number of licenses. The excess instruments may not be used for data acquisition.



Note: Users commonly utilize these so called offline instruments for method development or for the evaluation of already measured samples.

This chapter will mainly focus on the control of KNAUER devices. For additional and general information see the Reference Manual, chapter 2 Instrument.

The Instrument window displays with icons a logical sequence of operations and commands necessary for the comprehensive processing of an analysis. This Scheme of Data Processing starts from a sample injection taken and finishes with a printout of the results.

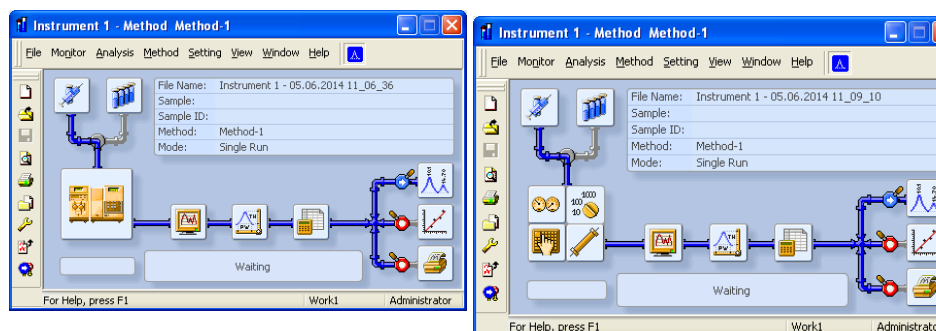


Fig. 102 Instrument window

To open or display an instrument, invoke the command from the Login sub menu or click on its icon in the main ClarityChrom window. The instrument name is taken from configuration, where you can set it.

The icons from the scheme serve for easy access to all dialogs necessary for the management of an analysis.

Clicking on Method Setup - DEVICE MONITOR opens the Device Monitor, in which all status information is displayed and in which you can access control, as described in chapter "Setup and programming fraction collectors" on page 124.

When the sequence is running, the post-run checkboxes will be locked to the state corresponding to the setting on the currently running row (see the Reference Manual, chapter 6 Sequence section Post run functions).

Depending on which button has been clicked, the opened windows appear differently. You can toggle between all dialog windows with the tabs below. The indicated tabs correspond to the configuration of the opened method.

Independent of which tab is displayed, the buttons OK, CANCEL, SEND METHOD, REPORT, AUDIT TRIAL, and HELP are displayed at the bottom of the window.

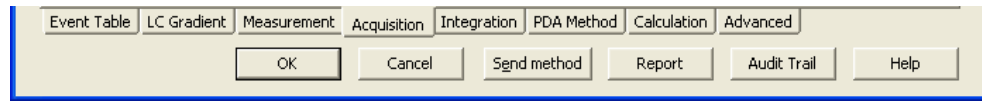


Fig. 103 Bottom of the method setup window

OK: Accepts the entered settings and closes the window. Depending on the settings in the INSTRUMENT METHOD SENDING, the device parameters will either be sent to the devices or a window will open which allows you to choose whether to send parameters or not.

CANCEL: Closes the window without accepting the entered settings.

SEND METHOD: All settings of the actual method will be sent to the connected instruments and there become active. This causes all devices to run with the settings of the first program line. The method, however, will not be processed and no run will be started.

REPORT: In this dialog, the report style can be selected, the printer can be configured, and the print can be initiated. The report style displayed depends on which location the dialog will have been opened from. The styles may differ (e.g., between the Calibration window and the Chromatogram window). Please note that you can open or print a report with chromatogram only from the chromatogram window. If you open or print a report from the method window, only the method-relevant details are displayed or printed.

The station is supplied with pre-set report styles that are distributed among all windows that contain printing reports commands. These styles may be modified, copied, relocated or replaced with user specified styles. The sequence of report elements is processed in the same order in which it is shown in the Report Setup window. The order of the report blocks in the report can be changed if the blocks will be moved with the mouse (hold left mouse key) on the setup window.

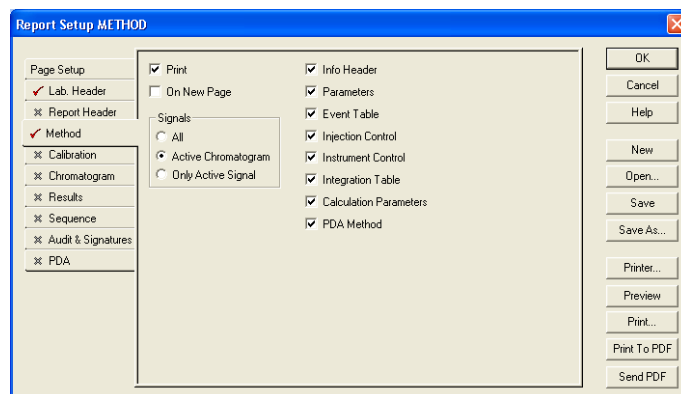


Fig. 104 Report setup window

For general description see the Reference Manual chapter 8 Report Setup.

AUDIT TRAIL: Opens the Audit Trail file of this instrument.

HELP: Opens the online help file related to the actual window tab.

Event table

The most left hand tab involves the Event Table. For details refer to the Reference Manual, chapter 2.5.1 Method - Event Table.

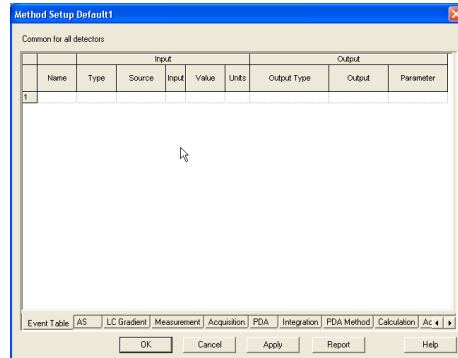


Fig. 105 Event table

Most KNAUER devices are equipped with outputs which can be controlled independent of time or status. Depending on the device, all digital outputs which are not designed for controlling external unsupported devices (valves, autosamplers, pumps, etc.), are managed in the event table. You can also monitor the baseline and initiate any signal level-dependent action.

Any row of the event table must be filled out strictly from left to right. Only after a name for the event has been entered do the following drop-down lists become active. They define a system status in which the event (i.e. an action) should be performed. Afterwards, they define the action, e.g. which digital output switches which device.

Autosampler

The autosampler control is bound with the Sequence. Additionally the option Active Sequence must be activated in Sequence - Options. In case of a Single Analysis, the autosampler is not accessed by this but the run is started without injection by the autosampler.

This manual only describes the control of the AS 6.1L / AS 3950. The settings of the other Spark autosamplers are mostly comparable.

KNAUER Smartline AS 3800 **Spark Marathon**
KNAUER Smartline AS 3900 **Spark Midas**
AS 3950 **PLATINblue AS-1**
AZURA Autosampler AS 6.1L



Note: For AS 6.1L and AS 3950 exist different firmware versions which do not support all of the described features.

The "84+3 vial" tray for the autosampler 3950 is supported in firmware 1.04 or higher. The "108 vial" tray is available from firmware version 1.16. A firmware upgrade from former firmware versions is not available.

As of firmware version 1.15, it is possible to work with a minimum injection volume of 0.1 µl and in 0.1 µl increments.

In order to access an autosampler of the models 3800, 3900, or KNAUER Optimas, they autosampler has to be set to "Serial Mode". Refer to the chapter Configuration - Autosampler for corresponding instructions.

Except for the column oven, the features of the KNAUER Optimas autosampler correspond to the AS 3900/Midas. The KNAUER Optimas is not equipped with a column oven.

The autosampler method window (AS) includes several different tabs as described below and a tab independent button AS Status.

AS STATUS: AS Status reads out and displays a status summary.

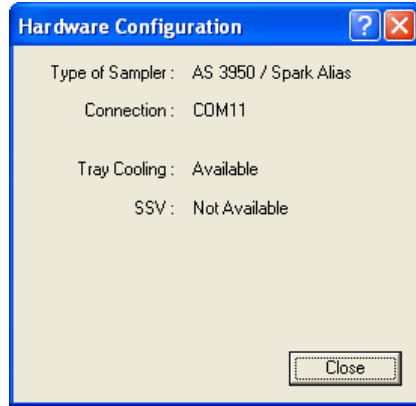


Fig. 106 Autosampler Status

Mode, Time and Temperature

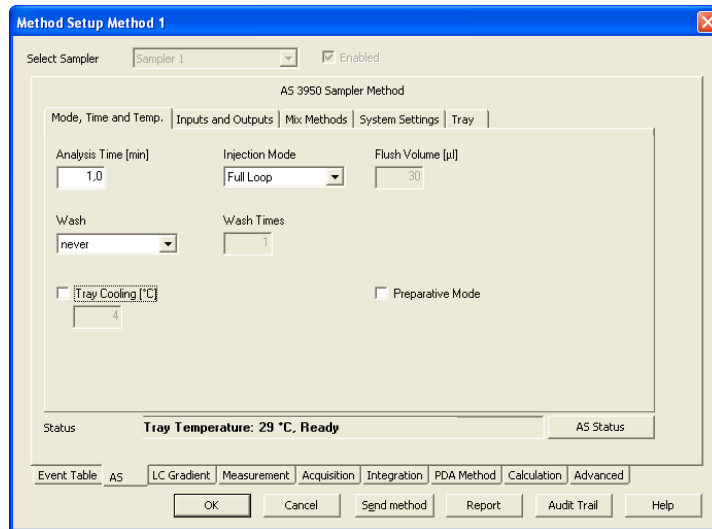


Fig. 107 Autosampler AS 3950, Mode, Time and Temperature

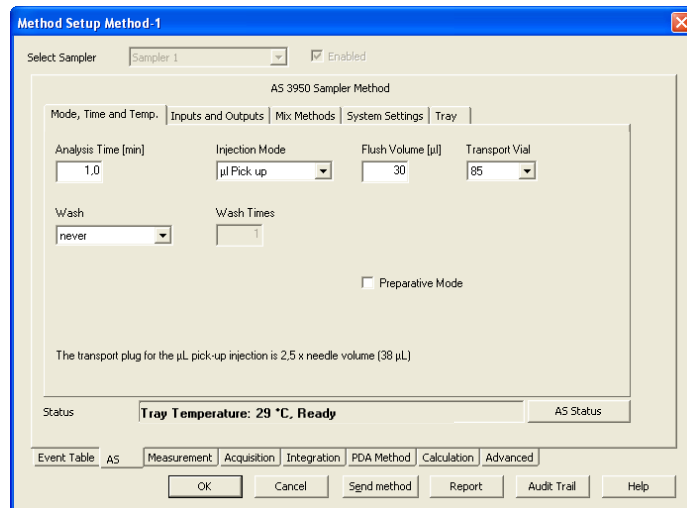


Fig. 108 Autosampler AS 3950, mode, time, temperature, µl pick-up, tray "84+3 vials"


ANALYSIS TIME [min]: Sets the run time for the autosampler. The time should not exceed the measurement time; otherwise the system will wait for the next run until the autosampler is ready. We recommend setting the time to 1 minute to prevent this problem. In addition, the Direct Control functionalities of the Device Monitor, e.g. extruding the tray to apply samples, is only available after ANALYSIS TIME has been finished.

INJECTION MODE: Select the mode of injection from the drop-down list. The options are: NONE, PARTIAL LOOPFILL, FULL LOOP, and µL PICK UP. Refer the autosampler manual for detailed information about the injection mode. Choosing the best injection mode is especially delicate with regards to the injection volume and the volume of used-up sample.



Note: For the AS 6.1L / AS 3950, no transport vial can be selected for the injection method µL PICK UP except for the tray type „84+3 vials“. The transport liquid for the µL Pick up will be escaped from the transport bottle or the wash bottle.



Note: If the "84+3 vial" tray is selected, a transport vial (vials 85-87) can be selected for the transport liquid. When the autosampler is switched on, the filling level of the transport vial is automatically set to full (8000 µl). It can be set to full by clicking  in the Device Monitor.

FLUSH VOLUME: The Flush Volume defines the sample volume which the injection system (needle and tubing between needle and injection valve) is flushed with prior to drawing the actual injection volume. The option Flush Volume is not available for the injection methods None or µL Pick up.

TRANSPORT VIAL (for tray 84+3 vials with µl pick-up only): The tray „84+3 vials“ includes 3 additional vials with max. 10 ml volume, that can be used as transport vials for the injection method „µl Pick up“. For each injection with injection method "µl Pick up", the autosampler draws one segment of transport liquid before and after the sample volume, the so-called transport plug. The transport plug is 2.5 times the so-called needle volume. The needle volume is identical to the "Tubing Volume", see tab "System Settings" in the autosampler setup. The tubing volume is noted on a label on the tube installed between the injection needle and the injection valve. The default tubing volume is 15 µl. The filling level of the transport vials will be set to

8000 μl each time the autosampler will be switched on. The autosampler calculates then the current filling level after each run. Please be sure to fill the transport vials completely, because the autosampler also calculates the needle immersion depth, basing on the filling level, between two different heights. If the autosampler calculates, that the transport vial is empty, the injection and therewith the sequence will be stopped. In a method you can only set one transport vial. If you need more than one transport vial in a sequence, you must create additional methods with the desired transport vial.

TRANSPORT VOLUME (for μl Pick up with standard trays): If "Wash" as transport vial is selected, wash solution will be used to flush the needle and transport the aspired sample into the sample loop. To flush the injection system with wash solution first, under "Transport Volume" the number of syringe volumes used to flush can be defined. The needle port that is used to aspire the transport solution has a volume of about 200 μl . In case a 250 μl syringe is installed and the volume of the tube between syringe and injection valve has also a volume of 250 μl , in minimum value of 3 should be selected for the Transport Volume.

WASH: The options for injection needle wash are NEVER, BETWEEN INJECTIONS, and BETWEEN VIALS (only if the next injection comes from a different vial).

WASH TIMES, TRANSPORT VOLUME: Select how often the needle should be flushed. 1-9 times is possible.

TRAY COOLING [$^{\circ}\text{C}$]: The temperature can only be set if the option field is checked. Tray cooling is optional.

PREPARATIVE MODE: If the autosampler is a preparative model, you can activate the check box Preparative Mode. The preparative mode allows for larger injection volumes. If this option is enabled, the injection loop volume and the syringe volume, available in the System Settings tab, have been set to fixed values (loop: 10 ml, syringe: 2.5 ml). In Prep mode only the Injection Mode Partial Loopfill is available. The Preparative Mode does not work with the "analytical" model because this would require special firmware options.

Inputs & Outputs

The Inputs and Outputs, available via the separate connector I/O in the autosamplers rear panel, are not required to control the autosampler by software.

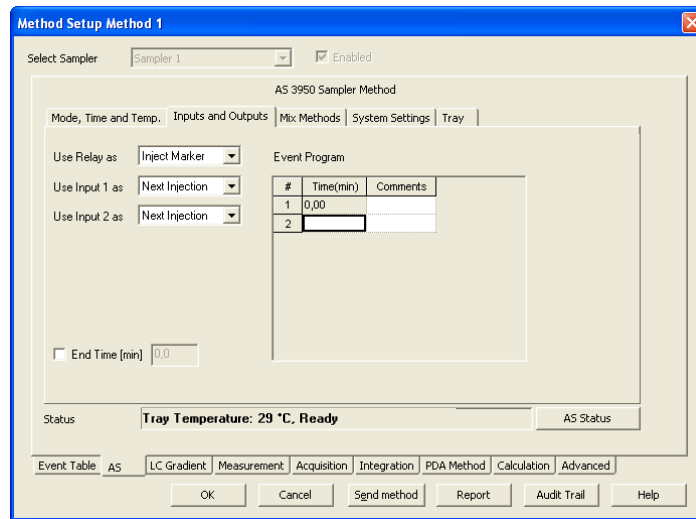


Fig. 109 Autosampler, Inputs& Outputs

USE RELAY AS: Select INJECT MARKER, AUXILIARY or ALARM from the drop-down list. If AUXILIARY is selected, the event program table is extended by a corresponding column.

USE INPUT 1 or 2 AS: Select NEXT INJECTION, FREEZE, STOP from the drop-down list for both inputs separately.

USE SSV: If this option field is checked, the event program table is extended by the SSV column.

END TIME [min]: If this option field is checked, you can define a time interval (may be different compare to Analysis Time) at which the time base methods will be active.

EVENT PROGRAM: Enter the time program for SSV and Auxiliary (if selected) relays.

Mix Methods

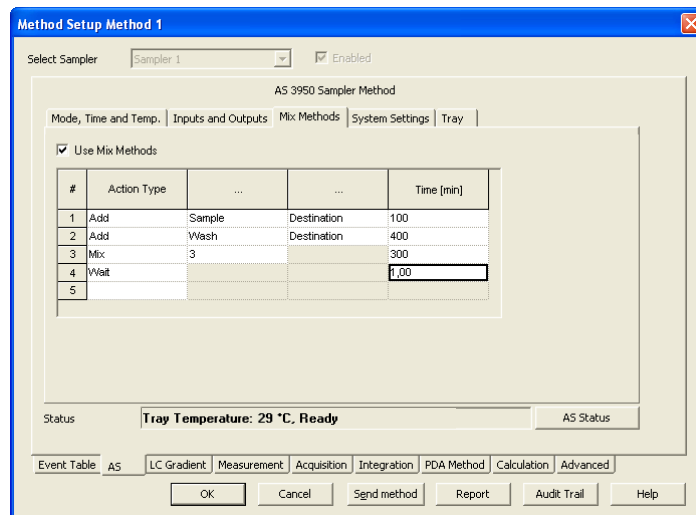


Fig. 110 Autosampler, Mixing Methods



Note: Methods with mixing methods must always be started only with a sequence, not as single acquisition.

Mix methods that use vials for Destination, Reagent A and Reagent B can only be programmed if the appropriate vials have been defined in the TRAY setup.

USE MIX METHODS: Check the Use Mix Methods option to get access to the fields of this window. Select a new Action type from the drop-down list to start a line, the choices are Add, Mix and Wait.

Action Type Add

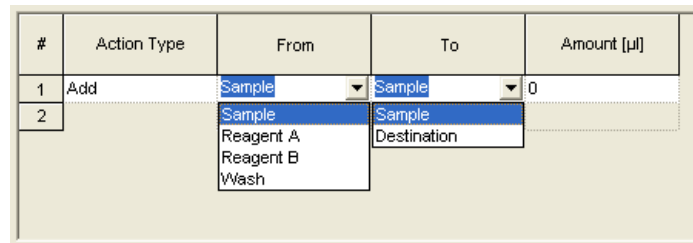


Fig. 111 Autosampler, Mixing Step Add

ACTION TYPE: If ADD is selected, specify the AMOUNT of a liquid in μl (max = the syringe volume) to be aspirated from a source (choices are SAMPLE, REAGENT A, REAGENT B, or WASH) and dispensed to a target (choices are SAMPLE or DESTINATION). The aspirate and dispense speed depends on the selected syringe and syringe speed (SYSTEM SETTINGS · SYRINGE SPEED).

The vial positions for the reagents and the destination vial you must define first in the Tray setup. For reagent A and reagent B one vial position can be selected. Make sure, that the reagent volume is sufficient for a complete injection series. As a destination for each sample one destination vial will be used. You can only define the first destination vial.

Action Type Mix

| # | Action Type | Repeat | ... | Amount [µl] |
|---|-------------|--------|-----|-------------|
| 1 | Mix | 1 | | 0 |
| 2 | | 3 | | |
| | | 4 | | |
| | | 5 | | |
| | | 6 | | |
| | | 7 | | |
| | | 8 | | |
| | | 9 | | |

Fig. 112 Autosampler, Mixing Step Mix

According to the number of mixes (Mix TIMES 1-9), the set amount (AMOUNT µl, maximum is the syringe volume) is collected and returned. If no destination vial is used the mixing step is performed in the sample vial.

Action Type Wait

| # | Action Type | ... | ... | Time [min] |
|---|-------------|-----|-----|------------|
| 1 | Wait | | | 1,00 |
| 2 | | | | |

Fig. 113 Autosampler, Mixing Step Wait

If the action type WAIT has been selected, you can enter the amount of time (in minutes) during which the autosampler should pause before it starts the next step of the program or the injection.

If the complete Mix method was executed, as the next step the injection will be made. The injection method is defined in the method; the injection volume will be defined in the sequence. If you use a destination vial, the injection will always be made from the destination vial and not from the sample vial.

System settings

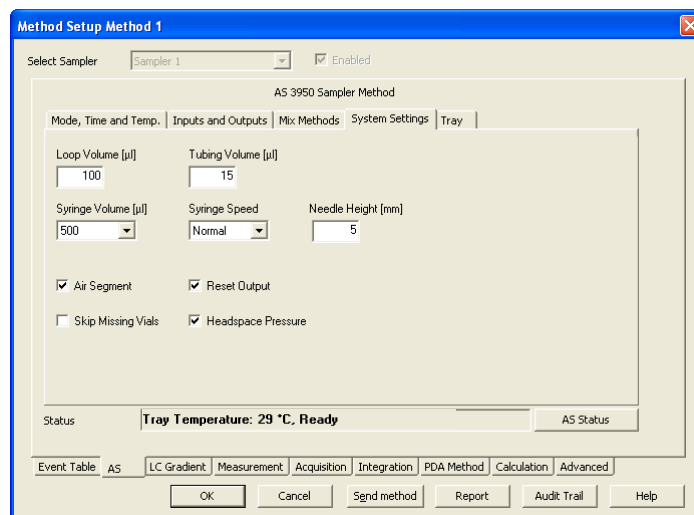


Fig. 114 Autosampler, system settings

LOOP VOLUME [μl]: Enter the volume of the installed sample loop. If the **MODE, TIME AND TEMP.** tab of the **PREPARATIVE MODE** is activated, the loop size is set to 10000 μl unchangeably.

TUBING VOLUME [μl]: Enter the volume of the installed needle and tubing in μl as labeled on the tube. The default settings are 15 μl and for the preparative mode 45 μl. If the enclosed connection tubing is used, you will find a label on it which states the volume.

SYRINGE VOLUME: Accessible depending on the configured autosampler. The default syringe size was changed from 500 μl to 250 μl. While former autosamplers 3950 were equipped with a 500 μl syringe, the later devices have a 250 μl syringe. Select the volume of the installed syringe from the drop-down list. The options are 250 μl, 500 μl, 1000 μl and 2500 μl. The syringe volume 250 μl is supported as of firmware version 1.15, 2500 μl from firmware 1.18 (also if no preparative mode is selected). The syringe volume of 1000 μl is not supported at the moment. The autosamplers 3950 with older firmware can only be run with a 500-μl syringe. If the **PREPARATIVE MODE** is set, the syringe size is set to 2500 μl unchangeably.

SYRINGE SPEED: Select the syringe speed from the drop-down list. The options are **LOW**, **NORMAL**, and **HIGH**.

NEEDLE HEIGHT: Enter the distance between the needle top and the tray holder (plate holder). A distance of 5 mm is preset. A distance between 2 and 6 mm can be selected. If you use inlets with your valves, please not to adjust the needle height accordingly. The lowest height is 2 mm, and consequently the lowest point to which the needle can be immersed in the vial.

AIR SEGMENT: Check the air segment box to enable the use of an air segment between the sample and the wash solvent to reduce the amount of flush volume.

RESET OUTPUT: Check this option if the outputs should be reset to the default settings after finishing the last series.

SKIP MISSING VIALS: Activate if the autosampler shall not stop if a vial is not found but continue with the next programmed vial. Deactivate to stop the autosampler in case a vial is not found.

HEAD SPACE PRESSURE: Activate the **HEAD SPACE PRESSURE** option to support the sample transport to the sample loop by clicking. This prevents any negative pressure, that might occur in the vial when the sample is aspirated, from influencing the injection volume. The compressor will always be used during a wash procedure.



Note: The accuracy and reproducibility of the autosampler may decrease if headspace pressure is switched off.

Tray

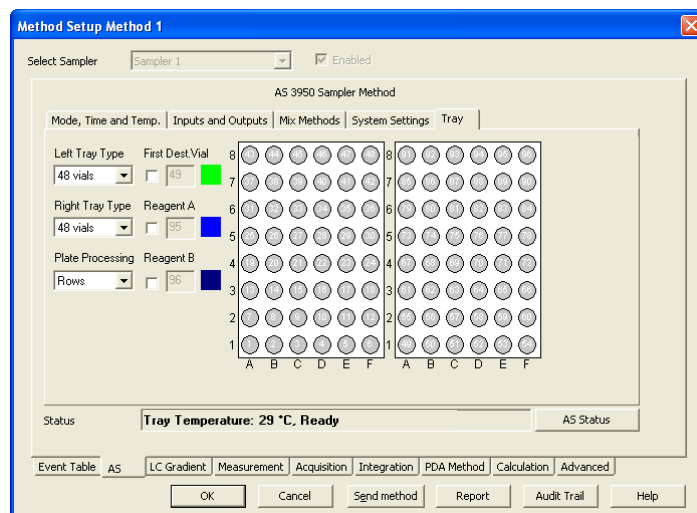


Fig. 115 Autosampler, tray view

The appearance of the tray tab depends on the configured autosampler. Here the AS 3950 is described as example.

LEFT (RIGHT) TRAY TYPE: Select the tray type from the drop-down list. The options are 12 VIALS, 30 VIALS, 48 VIALS, 108 VIALS, 96-HIGH, 96-LOW, 384-LOW, and 84+3 VIALS. The additions HIGH and LOW indicate the height of the well plates. Principally it is possible to select different tray types for the left and right side. Only the variant 384-LOW left and 96-HIGH right is not possible. If the preparative mode is activated, the tray type 12 VIALS is fixed for both sides. If the tray 84+3 VIALS is selected, it is valid for both sides because it takes up the whole width of the device. For the autosampler 3950 the tray 84+3 VIALS is supported from firmware version 1.14, the tray 108 VIALS from firmware version 1.16 and for AS 3950 and AS 6.1L the tray 30 VIALS from firmware version 1.18.

PLATE PROCESSING: Select the order of vial processing from the drop-down list. The choices are Columns and Rows.

FIRST DEST. VIAL: Enter the position number of the first destination vial. The selected number will be green highlighted. A destination vial is required, if a mixing should be done in a separate vial. One destination vial is required for every sample, however, only the first destination vial position can be specified. If more than one destination vial is required, these will follow automatically from the first destination vial position. Therefore sample and destination vials are both defined as blocks, for instance, sample vial positions 1-10, destination vial positions 11-20.

REAGENT A (B): Enter the position numbers of the reagent vials A and B. The selected number will be highlighted blue. For the tray 84+3 VIALS additional vials 85-87 can be used as reagent vials. If the injection method ML PICK UP is selected and one of the additional vials is selected as a transport vial, the reagent vial selection for this vial will be ignored.

The accuracy and reproducibility of the autosampler may decrease if head-space pressure is switched off.

LC Gradient

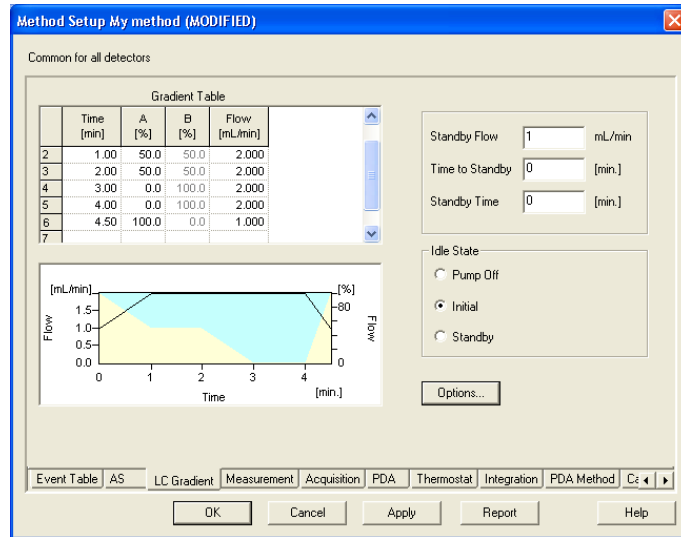


Fig. 116 LC Gradient Setup

In the menu LC Gradient, you can set the parameters for the solvent pump(s). You will find the possible settings for the Solvent Factor, the p-max mode and the Solvent Selection Valves of the pump P 6.1L as well as the settings of the auxiliary pump in the tab LC.

GRADIENT TABLE: The gradient table is shaped according the performed pump configuration. Entering the gradient time program it is simultaneously displayed with a black line for the total flow and colored areas for the gradient composition.

In the gradient table, the time program is entered. In the first row (at time Initial = 0.00 min), enter the initial flow and composition in ml and % respectively. Additional lines can be used to enter different values for flow and composition, which can be set for any time (in minutes). The minimal distance between two lines is 0.02 minutes, or 0.06 minutes for the pumps P 2.1L and 1800.

All time programs are displayed in a spreadsheet similar to the one shown below. Although the information in the fields will vary, the spreadsheets always support certain basic features.

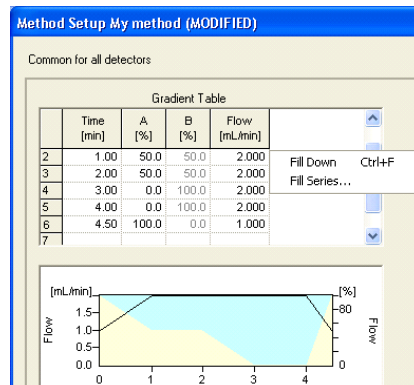


Fig. 117 Editing tools for the time program

Each row is assigned a program line number and time in minutes, followed by columns for information for each time in the program. Rows and field information can be cut, copied, pasted, and cleared. To open the menu with these commands, right-click anywhere within the spreadsheet. To select a field, click on that field to highlight

To select a row, click on a number in the # column to highlight the entire row. To select the entire spreadsheet, use the right-click menu, and click the option SELECT ALL.

Certain spreadsheet fields will have choices available for you to select. Fields with selections available will display a drop-down arrow is displayed and an action can be selected.

Selection menu

CUT: This command will cut the current selection and place it into the clipboard. You can subsequently paste the information to another application using the PASTE command.

COPY: Use this command to make an exact copy of the selection in the clipboard. Once you select Copy, you can paste the selection to another application, or copy the selection to a location in your spreadsheet.

PASTE: This command is used to paste the information currently in the clipboard into the spreadsheet at the location of the cursor.

FILL DOWN: This enables you to automatically copy spreadsheet information from one field or row down through the rest of the spreadsheet.

FILL SERIES: This enables you to automatically copy spreadsheet information from one field or row down through the rest of the spreadsheet. An increment may be used to modify the content.

INSERT LINE: This command inserts a copy of the line in the spreadsheet below where the cursor is located.

DELETE LINE: This command deletes the line in the spreadsheet where the cursor is located.

DELETE LINES: This command deletes the selected lines in the spreadsheet.

CLEAR: Like the DEL. (Delete) key of your keyboard, this command deletes the content of all selected fields.

CLEAR ALL: Use this command to clear the information from the entire spreadsheet.

SELECT ALL: Use this command to select the entire spreadsheet.

LC Gradient

Standby Settings

If a time is entered for TIME TO STANDBY and/or STANDBY TIME, the Standby is added to each run. If the Standby is finished, the parameters which are defined in IDLE STATE are executed.

STANDBY FLOW [ml/min]: Enter the desired standby flow for your pump. For a gradient system the Standby will always run with the settings of the Initial line of the pump program.

TIME TO STANDBY [min]: Enter the after run time for changing your pump delivery to the set standby flow. Changing the parameters at the end of a run until a defined point of time (Time to Standby) is executed as a linear gradient (flow and gradient composition).

STANDBY TIME [min]: Enter the time for the Standby flow. When this time has elapsed, the pump will switch to the conditions defined in the idle state.

The described Standby on the LC Gradient tab does not affect the Standby function of some newer KNAUER devices. ClarityChrom/Prep does not support this advanced device feature.

IDLE STATE: The IDLE status defines the pump status at the end of each run. This is also valid for each run inside a sequence. Choose between the options PUMP OFF, INITIAL, or STANDBY. If INITIAL is selected, the pump runs under the start conditions (time line Initial) of the current method. The STANDBY status is described above. Please note that the IDLE state is also executed for a short time if a sequence is running and before the next run on a sequence table is initialized.

Options...

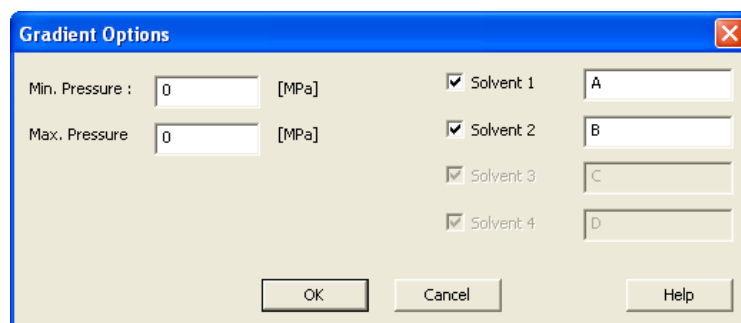


Fig. 118 LC Gradient Setup, Options

MIN. PRESSURE: Enter the minimum pressure allowable for your pump. The pump will be stopped when pressure drops for more than one minute the set value. Setting 0 deactivates this functionality.

MAX. PRESSURE: Enter the maximum pressure you want allow for the system. The pump will be stopped immediately when pressure increases the set value. The default value always corresponds to the configured pump head. A setting above this value is not allowed.

SOLVENT 1-4: The configured solvent components can be named, activated and deactivated. Only activated components will be displayed in the gradient table and delivered during the run.

LC

The LC tab is visible if:

- the solvent type of the pump can be set or

- the pump is marked AUXILIARY PUMP during configuration.

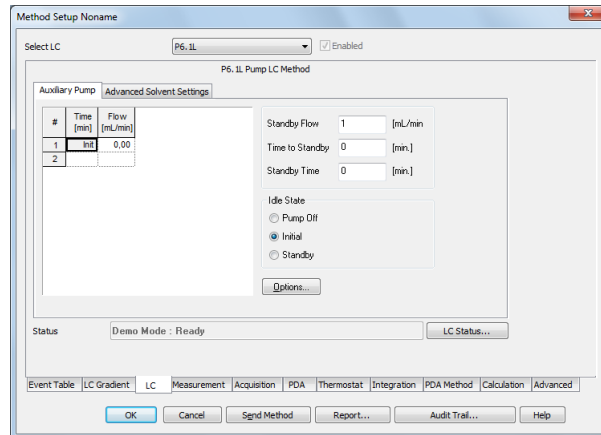


Fig. 119 LC Auxiliary Pump

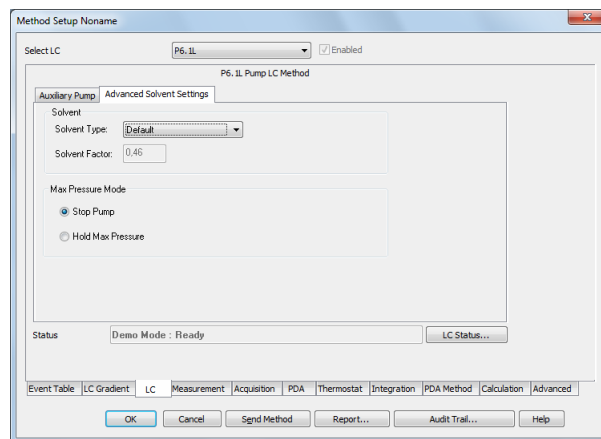


Fig. 120 LC Advanced Solvent Settings

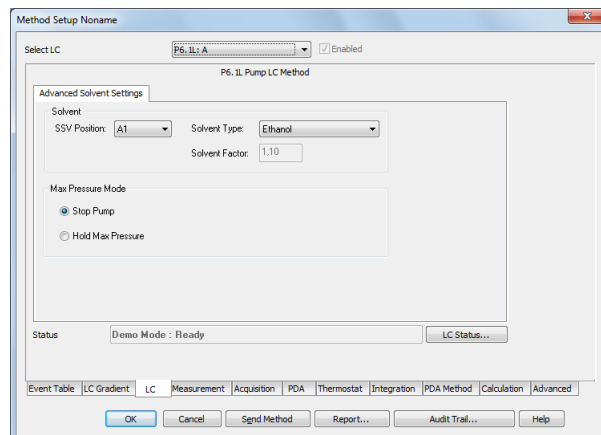


Fig. 121 LC Advanced Solvent Settings

SELECT LC: Selecting the pump for settings. The selection is only active after certain pump configurations have been made.

ENABLED: Enabled activates or deactivates the device. The device has to be switched on and connected.

Advanced Solvent Settings

SSV POSITION (for P 6.1L HPG only): With SSVs (solvent selection valves), 2 solvents A1 and A2 can be selected for channel A, and 2 solvents B1 and B2 can be selected for channel B.

SOLVENT TYPE: Select the solvent from the drop-down list. A solvent factor is set with the selected solvents. The solvent factors includes the different compressibilities of solvents. Via the custom setting, a custom solvent factor (solvent factor compressibility) may be entered.

SOLVENT FACTOR: The solvent factor compressibility is entered automatically for the selected solvent. By selecting the solvent type "Custom", a customized solvent factor may be entered. This option is not available for all pumps.

STOP PUMP, HOLD MAX PRESSURE (P 6.1L only): Determines how the pump reacts when a set maximum pressure is reached. The options are Stop Pump and Hold Max Pressure. Stop Pump stops the pump immediately. With Hold Max Pressure the pump tries to hold a constant pressure of 90 % of the maximum pressure. All other pumps are switched off when the maximum pressure is reached.

MIN/MAX FLOW (ML/MIN): Defines the minimum and maximum flow which is needed to execute the Hold Max Pressure functionality.

Auxiliary Pump

The AUXILIARY PUMP tab is only displayed when the pump has been configured as an auxiliary pump. The setting possibilities correspond to the settings for the solvent pumps. Please refer to the chapter LC Gradient for settings.

Measurement

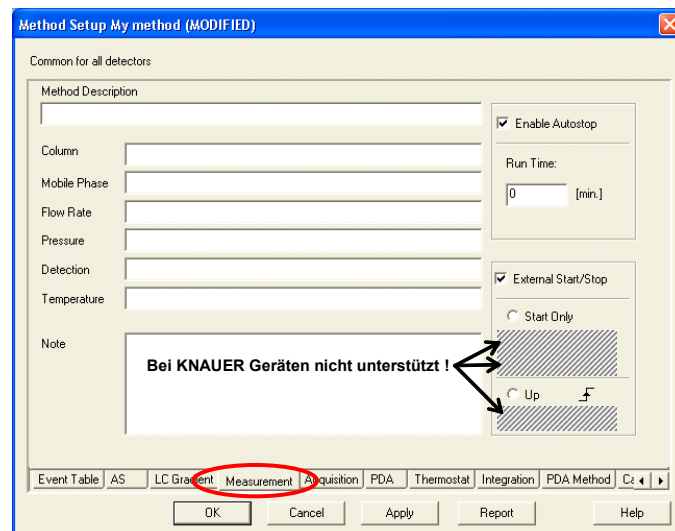


Fig. 122 Measurement

This window describes, in detail, measuring conditions that includes determining the duration an analysis should take place. By clicking METHOD SETUP · MEASUREMENT, the dialog is opened. The method name is displayed in the title bar. This tab is common for all signals when a multi-detector chromatogram is in use.

METHOD DESCRIPTION: Contains the description of the method. Upon selection of a method the description of the method will be displayed in the Description field.

COLUMN: Describes the column being used (for informational purposes only).

MOBILE PHASE: Describes (for informational purposes only) the mobile phase used.

FLOW RATE: Indicates (for informational purposes only) the mobile phase flow rate.

PRESSURE: Indicates (for informational purposes only) the mobile phase pressure.

DETECTION: Contains detector characteristics (for informational purposes only).

TEMPERATURE: Describes temperature parameters (for informational purposes only).

ENABLE AUTO STOP: Sets the system to automatic stop of a run after the elapsed run time. If this option is not activated, the run can only be stopped manually.

RUN TIME: Specifies the duration of analysis. After the appointed run time has been reached, the analysis is automatically terminated and processed. The possible interval is between 0.2 - 999 minutes.



Note: A run time must be set for all methods used in an active sequence since the time determines the cycle duration.



Note: If more than one detector is used, the settings are valid for all detectors.



Note: After longer runs with a high data rate and a broad 3D spectrum, for the PDA detectors may encounter problems with storing the 3D data may encounter. During this process, the computer does not react on user input or only with a delay. The next run will only be started, if the data of the previous run are stored. In order to prevent this, runs with a 50 or 100 Hz data rate should be limited to a maximum run time of 10 min. The computer should have a memory of at least 3 GB.

EXTERNAL START/STOP: Enables control via external signals, e.g. a start/trigger signal of an injection valve or autosampler. This setting is mandatory for starting a sequence. Which device receives the start/trigger signal has been set during configuration.

START ONLY: The external signal only starts analysis.

START - RESTART: The external signal terminates the analysis in progress and at the same time starts a new one. This is known as "the continuous measurement".

START - STOP: The external signal starts and stops an analysis. The first signal start the analysis, the second signal stops it, etc.

UP: The system reacts to a voltage change in the relevant controlling input from low (< 0.7 V) to high (> 3V), or in other words, to a closed contact.

DOWN: The system reacts to a voltage change in the relevant controlling input from low (< 3V) to high (> 0.7 V), or, in other words, to a closed contact.



Note: KNAUER devices do not support the features START - RESTART, START - STOP, and DOWN. Only use the options START ONLY and UP to trigger via KNAUER devices!

Acquisition, Detector Method

In addition to the FROM DET and DET statuses, the Method Setup / Acquisition window contains one or more tabs which are explained below.

SELECT DETECTOR: SELECT DETECTOR cannot be accessed if only one detector is included and this detector works with only one channel. If more than one detector or a detector with more than one channel is configured, the selector becomes accessible and each detector or channel can be enabled or disabled using the. At least one detector (channel) has to remain enabled; therefore you cannot disable the last one.

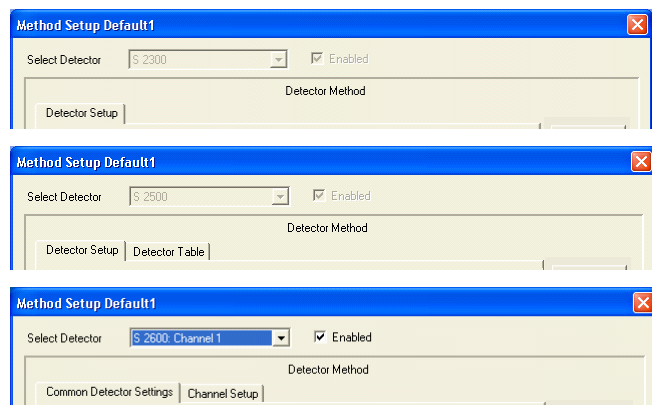


Fig. 123 Acquisition, detector setup selector



Note: Even if the detector has been deactivated via Selector Detector - Enabled, it has to be switched on, connected and ready for measurement. It is not possible to start a run if the deactivated detector has switched off the lamp.

Any involved detector needs its own setup. In case of multi-channel detectors the channel setup tab is only valid for the selected channel. Settings made under ACQUISITION SETTINGS, OPTIONS, and ANALOG OUTPUT ON are independent of any channels and are valid for the detector as a whole.



Detectors that have been deactivated via the field Select Detector cannot be used to control the fraction collection. Select the channel for the fraction collection in the setup of the fraction collector.

The DET status reads out and displays a status summary.

Acquisition, RI Detector Method

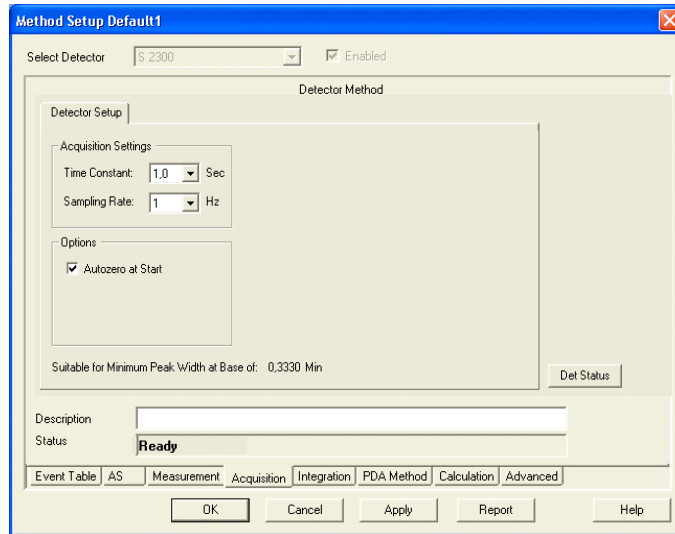


Fig. 124 Acquisition, RI detector setup

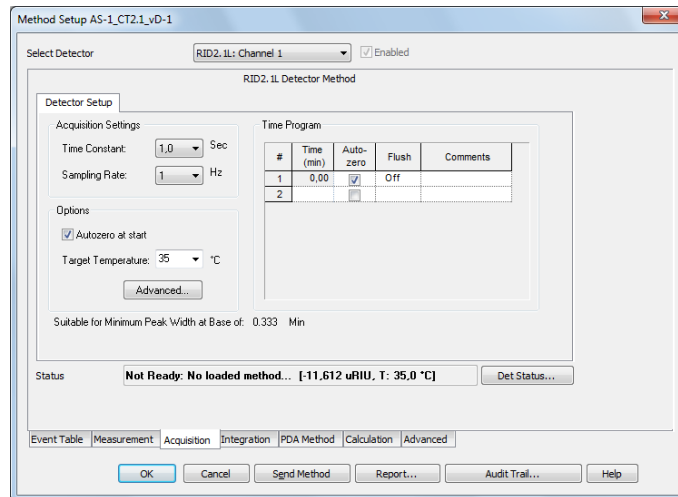


Fig. 125 Method Setup RID 2.1L

TIME CONSTANT: Select the time constant from the drop-down list. The time constant is a smoothing functionality and should be selected in accordance with the needed data rate. The larger the value of the selected time constant, the stronger the applied signal smoothing. This reduces the noise but also the signal level. The options are 0,1; 0,2; 0,5; 1,0; 2,0; 5,0, and 10,0 SEC for detectors with a maximum data acquisition rate of 10 Hz. A good rule is to select a time constant, which is at least one tenth of the peak width at the base of the narrowest peak of interest. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window. For detectors with data rate up to 100 Hz, additionally time constants of 0,01; 0,02 and 0,05 Sec are available.

SAMPLING RATE: This is the rate at which data will be sampled by the system. The SAMPLING RATE is displayed in Hz (data points per second, i.e. data rate). Select it from the drop-down list. The options are 1, 2, 5, and 10 Hz. For a reproducible integration of a peak, a minimum of 20 data points (better would be 30-40 points) is required. The relation between the selected

sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window. For RID 2.1L additionally 20, 50 and 100 Hz are selectable.

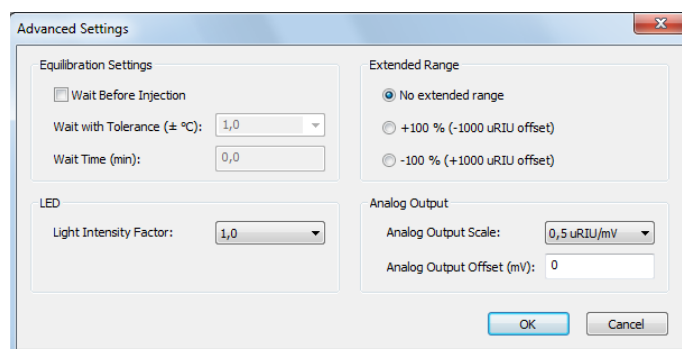


Note: It is recommended that you use the peak width's (see Graphical Events Programming or if included peak report) to determine the optimal sampling rate for your chromatography. Consequently, at a data rate of 1 Hz the peak should be at least 20 seconds wide. If in doubt about the peak width, choose a higher data rate.

AUTOZERO AT START: Check this option to perform an autozero, i.e. to start the run with a value of 0. Otherwise, the current signal will be defined as the starting point.

TARGET TEMPERATURE: The temperature for the measuring cell can be selected. A value between 30 and 55 °C can be selected. If OFF is selected, the heating unit is switched off. Keep in mind, that reaching the target temperature needs some time. Heating up the cell temperature from room temperature to 35 °C may need 30 minutes; cooling down a longer time. **The cell temperature can reach only up to a flow rate of 4 ml/min. If using higher flow rates, the eluents must be pre-temperated.**

Advanced



EQUILIBRATION SETTINGS:

WAIT BEFORE INJECTION: The settings WAIT WITH TOLERANCE allow the autosampler to wait for an injection until the start temperature set in the temperature program is reached. Prior to every injection, the autosampler will wait until the start temperature is reached and the WAIT TIME time has elapsed. During a single run, this setting has no effect, the run is started immediately, even if the set target temperature has not been reached yet.

LED: The LED power factor can be adjusted using the Light Intensity Factor setting in order to regulate detector sensitivity. Light source life time is also affected by changes to this parameter. By increasing or decreasing this factor, the total linear range of the device is decreased. The default setting is 1.

EXTENDED RANGE: The option Extended Dynamic Range grow-up the measuring range of the RID 2.1L and RID 2.1L HighFlow due to a zero position offset in positive or negative direction. The measuring range change is different for RID 2.1L and RID 2.1L HighFlow. More details you can find in the detector manual (document no. V6750).

ANALOG OUTPUT: If desired, the analog signal output can be used. The output scale can be set to 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2 or 5 μ RIU/mV. An output offset can be entered separately, e.g. to correct an offset of the A/D converter.

Time Program

TIME PROGRAM: In the time program autozero and flush for the detector can be programmed. Flush during a data acquisition is only recommended, if the solvent or solvent composition is significantly changed. Be sure that during flush no analyte is passing the detector.

Acquisition, UV Detector Method

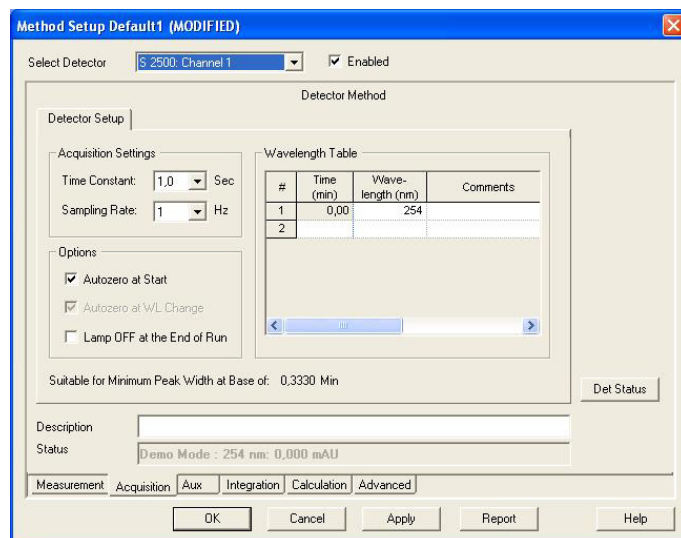


Fig. 126 Acquisition, UV Detector 2500 setup

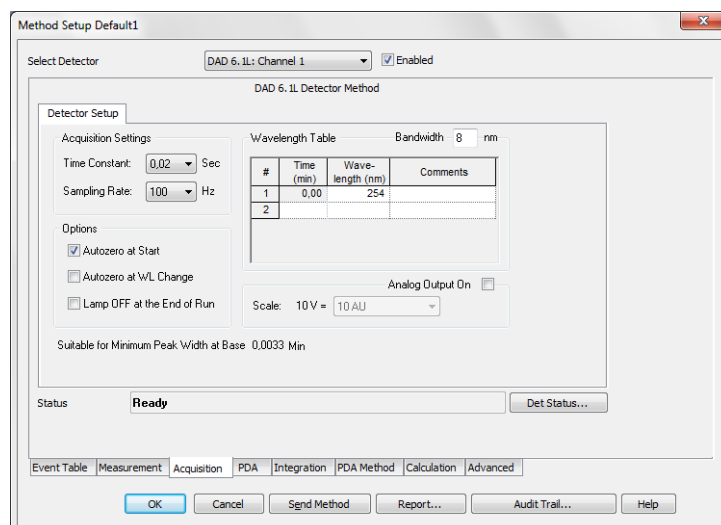


Fig. 127 Acquisition, DAD 6.1L (DAD 2.1L, S 2600, PDA-1, 2800/2850 identical) setup

In case of multi-channel detectors (and also the DAD), the channel setup is only valid for the selected channel. The setup has to be made for all enabled channels separately. The channel-independent settings are entered in ACQUISITION SETTINGS, OPTIONS, and ANALOG OUTPUT ON and have to be made only once.

TIME CONSTANT: Select the time constant from the drop-down list. The time constant is a smoothing functionality and should be selected in accordance with the needed data rate. The larger the value of the selected time constant, the stronger the applied signal smoothing. This reduces the noise but also

the signal level. The selection depends on the selected detector. For detectors with an acquisition rate of up to 10 Hz, values between 0.1 and 10 sec can be selected. For detectors with a higher data acquisition rate (DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L, MWD 2.1L, PDA-1, UVD 2.1S, S 2520, S 2550), smaller values are possible (0.00, 0.01, 0.02, and 0.05 sec). Smaller time constants are required for high speed analyses. A good rule is to select a time constant, which is the reciprocal of the selected sampling rate. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window.

SAMPLING RATE: This is the rate at which data will be sampled by the system. This selection is in Hz (data points per second). Select it from the drop-down list. The options are 1, 2, 5, and 10 Hz. If a detector model UVD 2.1L, S 2520 or S 2550 is connected via LAN and only one channel is enabled in the configuration (S 2550), also 20, 50, and 80 Hz can be selected for this channel; for the DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L, MWD 2.1L and PDA-1 also 100 Hz are available. For the detector UVD 2.1S, the maximum data rate via LAN connection is 50 Hz. For a reproducible integration of a peak, a minimum of 20 data points (better would be 30-40 points) is required. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window.



Note: It is recommended that you use the peak width's (see Graphical Events Programming or if included peak report) to determine the optimal sampling rate for your chromatography. Consequently, at a data rate of 1 Hz the peak should be at least 20 seconds wide. If in doubt about the peak width, choose a higher data rate.

AUTOZERO AT START: Check this field if you wish the signal to be zeroed at the moment a measurement is started (to define the current signal as the baseline). Due to its design, a DAD has to perform an autozero. Therefore, disabling this option in this type of detector is not possible.

AUTOZERO AT WL CHANGE: Check this field if you wish the signal to be zeroed at the moment of any wavelength change during a run (to define the current signal as the baseline). This option cannot be deactivated for the UV detector 2500 / 2501.

LAMP OFF AT THE END OF RUN: Check the lamp OFF box to switch off the detector lamp after a measurement is finished. This option may be used for the shutdown methods. The software cannot switch on the lamp prior to a run autonomously. If the lamp is not switched on, a run that has been started will be interrupted.



Note: If the lamp of the detectors DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L, MWD 2.1L, PDA-1, UVD 2.1L, S 2520, or S 2550 is switched off via device monitor/software or via method and the device itself is switched off, the lamp is not switched on when the device is switched on. It must be switched on manually in the detector's own setup or with the software via Device Monitor - Direct Control.

You should switch the lamp on manually before you start the next working session. After power up, allow 30 minutes for the lamp to stabilize before running samples that may require sensitive measurements.



Note: An error message, that the software cannot work with a non-validated device means, that the connected detector has not finished self-validation. Either the lamp is switched off (switch on the lamp and wait until self-validation)

tion/calibration is finished), The self-validation is still running (wait until end of this procedure) or self-validation is failed (check again with test cell)



Note: In case of a fault causing the data acquisition to be terminated, lamp(s) of the detectors is always switched off. Therefore, after a fault the lamp(s) has to be switched on again via the device monitor or on the device itself (does not work via software).

ANALOG OUTPUT ON (DAD 6.1L, PDA-1, S 2600/2800/2850 only): An analog output can be activated. Afterwards, a drop-down list with different voltage ranges becomes accessible. For the DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L and MWD 2.1L the data rate of the analog output is limited to 1 Hz, even if a higher data rate has been set in the method. The analog signal can have a delay of max. 2 seconds in regard of the signal acquired via LAN connection. The data rate of the analog output of the PDA-1 is limited to 10 Hz, even if a higher data rate has been set in the method.

Channel depending Settings

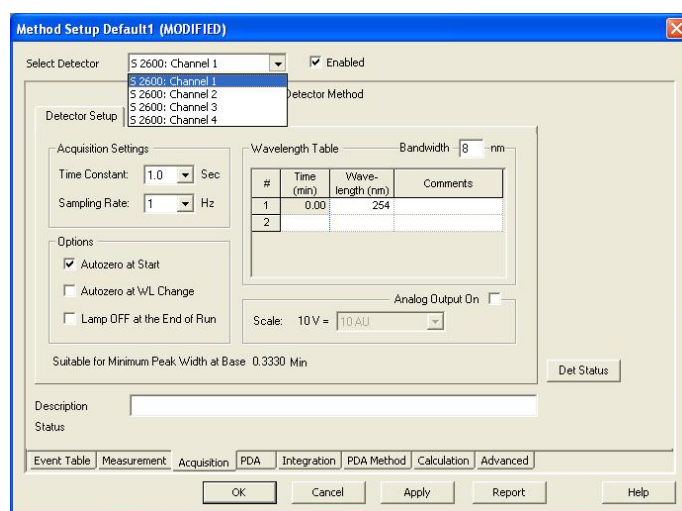


Fig. 128 Acquisition, channel-dependent settings

In case of multi-channel detectors the Wavelength Table is only valid for the selected channel. The setup has to be made for all enabled channels separately.

BANDWIDTH [nm] (all PDA detectors): The bandwidth is a measure of the range over which the calculations and measurements are used to calculate the intensity for a particular wavelength. For example, with a 10 nm bandwidth, the intensity for 250 nm would be calculated from 245 nm to 255 nm.

A wider bandwidth results in an increased signal to noise ratio because the multiple measurements cause the random noise to be canceled out. Non-random noise is not influenced by a wider bandwidth.

A high bandwidth value will decrease the noise level but also decrease the possible resolution which can be measured. The default value is 8 nm. If your peaks have a significantly wider absorption range, you can enlarge the bandwidth in ClarityChrom to receive a lower noise level.

Every channel uses its own wavelength program and measures with its own bandwidth settings. This allows you to achieve the best possible settings for noise and resolution over the whole chromatogram.

WAVELENGTH TABLE: In the wavelength table (page 110), the time program for every channel can be entered. In the first row (at time 0.00 min), enter the initial wavelength in nm. Then for time in minutes, you can define the wavelength for any desired time. The minimum time difference between two lines is 0.02 minutes. For all PDA detectors, the selected wavelengths in the table have to be in the scan range selected in the PDA settings. The bandwidth has to be taken into consideration as well. Example: If the scan range is 200 - 400 nm and the bandwidth is 8 nm, the maximum allowed wavelength is 396 nm.

The principle of programming the wavelength and time is the same as for programming the gradient, as described on page 101.

Advanced Options

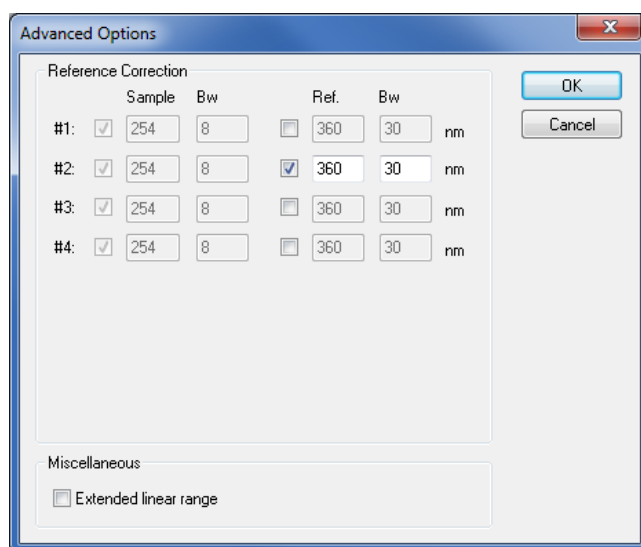


Fig. 129 Advanced Options for PDA detectors

REFERENCE CORRECTION: In order to minimize baseline drift due to refractive index effects, a reference wavelength can be set in order to correct the baseline. The reference should be set in the same spectral region as the signal wavelength (UV or Vis) but at a wavelength at which the analyte has no absorbance. For AZURA® detectors, the reference correction is enabled by default at 360 nm for channel 2.

SAMPLE: The sample wavelength is defined in the Acquisition tab.

BW: The bandwidth for the sample channels are also defined in the Acquisition tab.

REF: Reference is the wavelength at which a reference absorbance is measured as a function of time. It is used to compensate fluctuations caused by baseline adsorption. These fluctuations may be caused, for example, by solvent adsorption during gradient elution. Activate the measuring channels that should be corrected by using a sample measurement. For every measuring wavelength, a sample wavelength can be selected. The selected wavelength must be higher than the sample wavelength and be inside of the scan range stated under PDA. Enter the bandwidth of the reference wavelength. Limits are 1 to 32 nm in 1 nm steps. It indicates the range in which adsorption can be measured.

EXTENDED LINEAR RANGE (only DAD 6.1L, DAD 2.1L, MWD 2.1L): Upon activating the extended linear range option it is possible to broaden the linear range of the AZURA® detector, through internal stray light correction. For DAD 2.1L and MWD 2.1L this option will be available in firmware versions from 1.10, for DAD 6.1L from firmware version 1.23. If not supported, an error message will be displayed.

Acquisition spectrofluorometric detector RF-20A/Axl

The wavelength program allows for setting up the extinction and emission wavelength as well as for the signal amplification. KNAUER recommends to start with sensitivity "High". More information for the options and their effect you can find in the detector manual.



Note: The driver only works with detector firmware 0.90 for the detector RF-20A/Axl. The functionality is limited on the functions of the predecessor RF-10. Especially the options for data acquisition on two independent channels (so called 4 channel wavelength mode) or tempering the measurement cell are not supported. Wavelength scans cannot be programmed, executed or stored in a method.

If you switch off the detector's lamp by method, you must switch on the lamp again manually. This can be done in the Device Monitor - RF-20A - Diagnostics. Scans, executed in the Device Monitor, cannot be stored.

Acquisition Conductivity Monitor AZURA® CM 2.1S and Smartline S 2900

The S 2900 conductivity monitor does not require a setup window in the method setup. Additional data tracks for pH value and the temperature can be activated in the ADVANCED tab, in the table AUXILIARY SIGNAL.

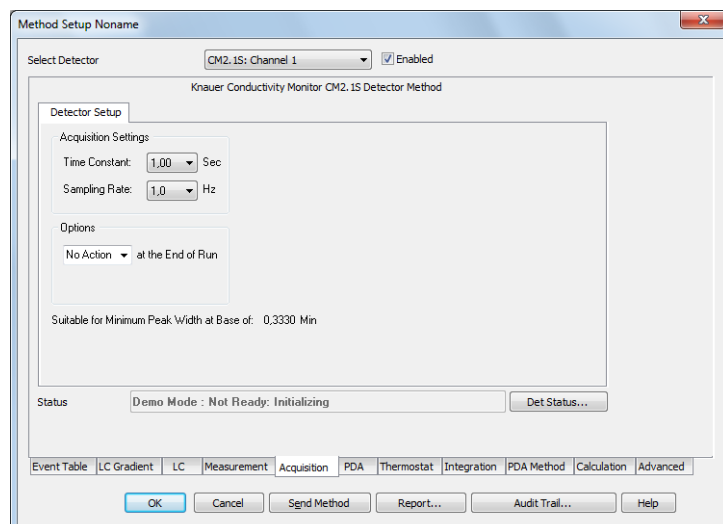


Fig. 130 Acquisition, CM 2.1S setup

TIME CONSTANT: Select the time constant from the drop-down list. The options are 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0, AND 2.0 sec. Smaller time constants are required for high speed analyses. A good rule is to select a time constant, which is the reciprocal of the selected sampling rate. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window.

SAMPLING RATE: This is the rate at which data will be sampled by the system. This selection is in Hz (data points per second). Select it from the drop-down list. The options are 1, 2, 5, AND 10 Hz. For a reproducible integration of a peak, a minimum of 20 data points (better would be 30-40 points) is required. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window.



Note: It is recommended to choose a data rate which still uses 20 data points to describe the narrowest peak of interest. Consequently, at a data rate of 1 Hz the peak should be at least 20 seconds wide. If in doubt about the peak width, choose a higher data rate.

Channel-dependent Settings - User-defined Detector

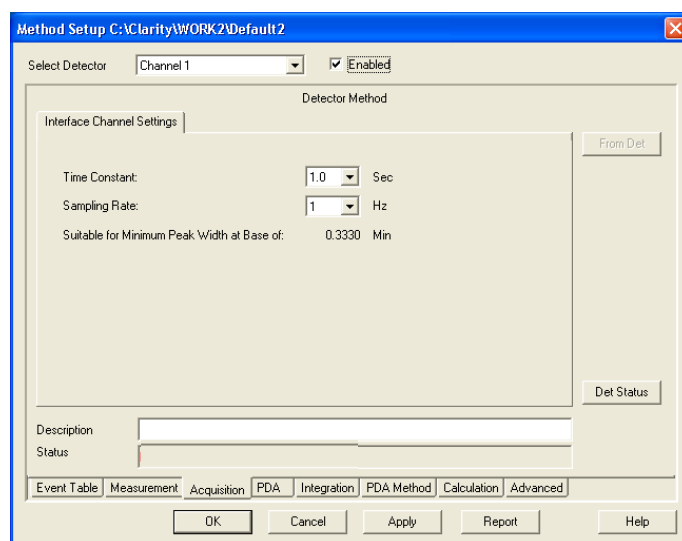


Fig. 131 Acquisition, user defined detector settings

CHANNEL ENABLED ON: Activate this option to acquire data from the data via the A/D converter.

TIME CONSTANT: Select the time constant from the drop-down list. The options are 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 5.0, and 10.0 sec. Smaller time constants are required for high speed analyses. A good rule is to select a time constant, which is at least one tenth of the peak width at the base of the narrowest peak of interest.

SAMPLING RATE: This is the rate at which data will be sampled by the system. This selection is in Hz (data points per second). Select it from the drop-down list. The options are 1, 2, 5, and 10 Hz. For a reproducible integration of a peak, a minimum of 20 data points (better would be 30-40 points) is required. The relation between the selected sampling rate and its suitability for minimum peak width is displayed below in the setup window. If the 50 Hz (Manager 5000/5050/M-1, IF2/IFU) or 100 Hz (KNAUER HPLC Box) option has been activated in the configuration of the A/D converter, this sampling rate is also available. If so, only channel 1 is accessible, channels 2-4 are disabled.

Channel-dependent Settings – Virtual Detector

A virtual detector is not a real instrument but a software tool having special functions. For instance, it is possible to carry out simulations or corrections of chromatograms with this “detector”. The result will be stored as normally created chromatogram.

The virtual detector requires the same general settings as any other detector.

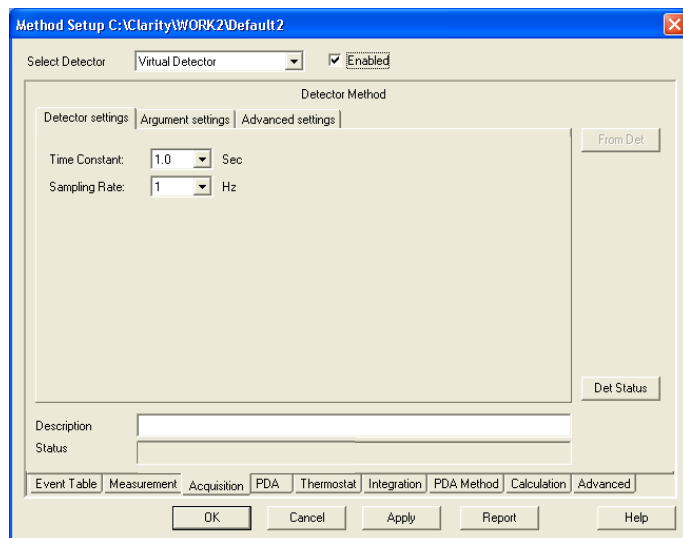


Fig. 132 Acquisition, virtual detector settings

Time Constant: Select the time constant from the drop-down list. The options are 0.1, 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0, and 5.0 sec.

SAMPLING RATE: This is the rate at which data will be sampled by the system. The SAMPLING RATE is displayed in Hz (data points per second). Select it from the drop-down list. The options are: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, and 100 Hz. For a reproducible integration of a peak, a minimum of 20 data points (better would be 30-40 points) is required.

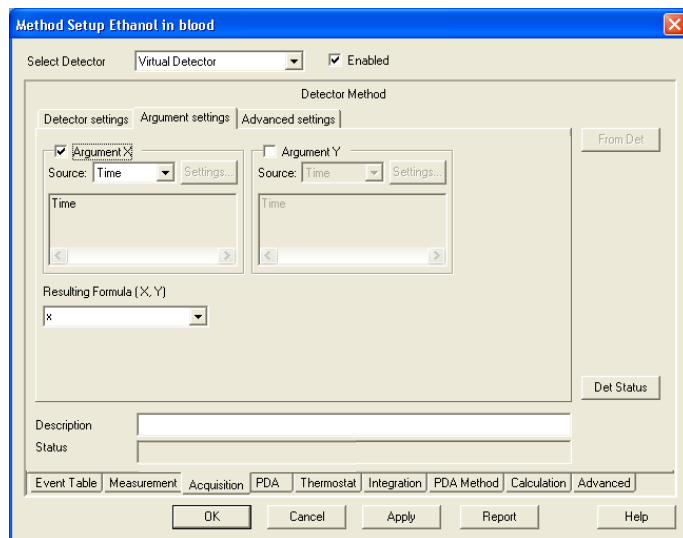


Fig. 133 Acquisition, virtual detector, argument settings

ARGUMENT X: X and Y are optional arguments; use of these can be switched off. A result formula can be calculated without neither X nor Y, with only X or

with both X and Y. Solely using Y is not allowed. If using X or Y is switched on, "X" and "Y" signs must be used in the result formula expression.

After the X or Y field has been activated, the respective drop-down list for selecting the data source becomes accessible. The options are TIME, DATA FILE, and EXTERNAL SOURCE.

TIME: With this selection no further settings for Argument X are possible. The argument value is equal to the current time value.

DATA FILE: The value of this argument is calculated using the corresponding point in the selected data file. For example, for time 10 seconds (if sampling rate is 1), 10 points will be extracted from the data file. This way, an existing chromatogram can be retraced. If a sampling rate different from the sampling rate set for the original chromatogram is selected, the chromatogram will be drawn faster or slower. If the original file offers more points than are needed, the missing data values are displayed as 0 (zero).

SETTINGS: The SETTINGS button becomes accessible. Clicking on it the following dialog box appears.

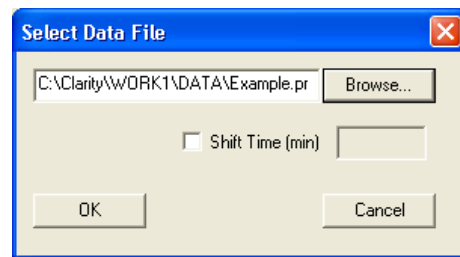


Fig. 134 Virtual detector settings, data file selection

The last selection is displayed. You can either enter a new data path or you can select it via the BROWSE... button.



Note: To avoid possible signal distortion, the Y-Axis multiplier in the configuration of the virtual detector must be equal to that of the selected User Detector.

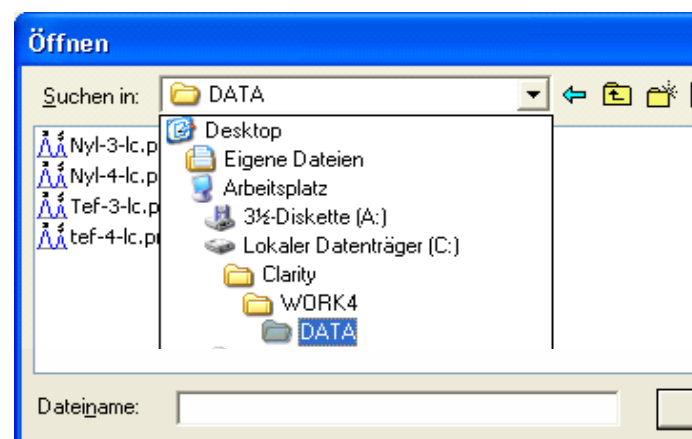


Fig. 135 Virtual detector settings, data file selection

EXTERNAL SOURCE: The Settings button becomes accessible and clicking on it will open the following window:

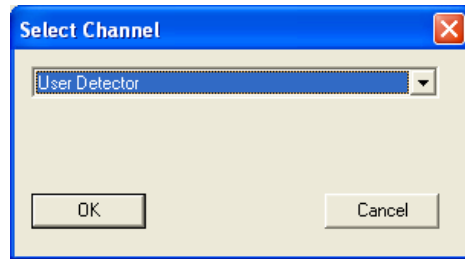


Fig. 136 Virtual detector settings, channel selection

From the drop-down list, you can select any configured detector channel configured in the system. If you use two different detectors for arguments X and Y, you can combine the chromatograms of both detectors into one chromatogram. This is a useful option, e.g. for fraction collection, if not all detector components can be determined.



Note: To avoid possible signal distortion, the Y-Axis multiplier in the configuration of the virtual detector must be equal to that of the selected User Detector.

ARGUMENT Y: This option becomes accessible, if the Argument X field is activated. The setting dialogs for Y are than the same as for X.

FORMULA (X,Y): You can enter the formula directly. All used previously used formulas can be selected via drop-down list as well.

FORMULA POSSIBILITIES: Following functions, constants, and operations will be supported:

| | | |
|--------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Functions: | SIN, COS, TG, ASIN, ATG, EXP, SQRT, ABS | |
| | LG | log10 |
| | LN | ln |
| | SH | hyperbolic sine |
| | CH | hyperbolic cosine |
| | TH | hyperbolic tangent |
| | RAND () | randomizer |
| Constants: | PI | p = 3.141592653 |
| | E | e = 2.71828183 |
| Operations: | + | addition |
| | - | subtraction |
| | * | multiplication |
| | / | division |
| | ^ | power |
| | | unary plus and minus |

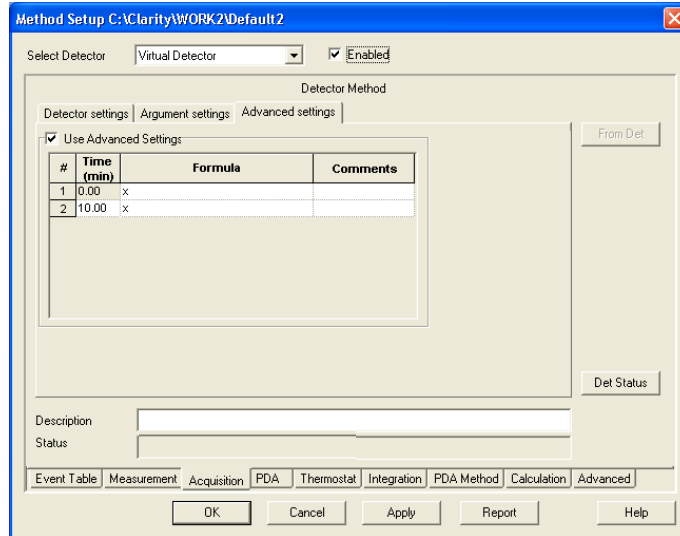


Fig. 137 Acquisition, virtual detector, advanced settings

Selecting this tab and activating the option Use Advanced Settings a time table for changing the formula during a run becomes accessible.

Assistant ASM 2.1L Setup

Due to the modular system, there are a lot of possible configurations for the ASM 2.1L. There is no ASM setup window, which would include the setup of the ASM 2.1L modules. All modules will be shown as "single" devices (pumps, detectors, valves, MultiValve FC). In the SELECT ... bar, the name of the selected ASM 2.1L and the module name will be displayed.

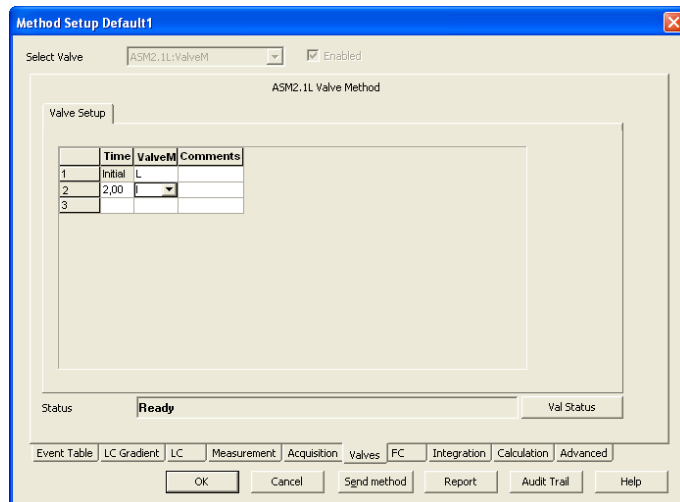


Fig. 138 Setup window for switching valves "ValveM" of the ASM 2.1L

Click ...STATUS to open the status window for the ASM 2.1L device. The status of all configuration modules will be shown.

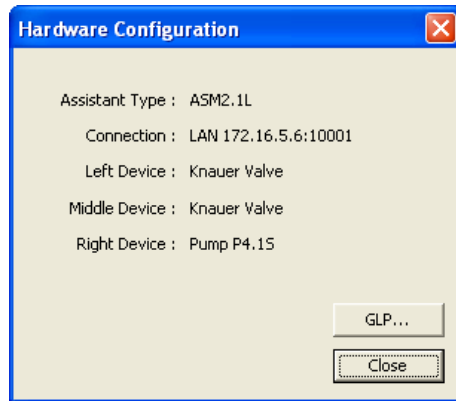


Fig. 139 Status information (hardware configuration) of the ASM 2.1L valve, valve, pump

Click GLP... to show the GLP information for all configured ASM 2.1L modules.

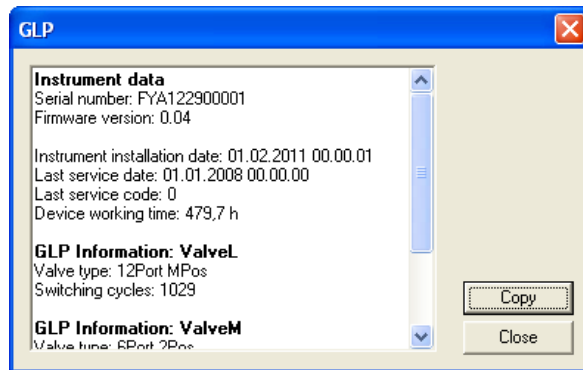


Fig. 140 GLP information of the ASM 2.1L valve, valve, pump

Setup Switching Valves

The method setup - Valves window includes one tab as described below and a tab independent button Val Status.

VAL STATUS: Val Status reads out and displays a status summary.

VALVES PROGRAM: Use this Valves Program spreadsheet to enter your time program. The number of columns corresponds to the number of configured

valves. In the first row (at time Init), enter the initial position for each valve. All other switching statuses and times can be freely selected.

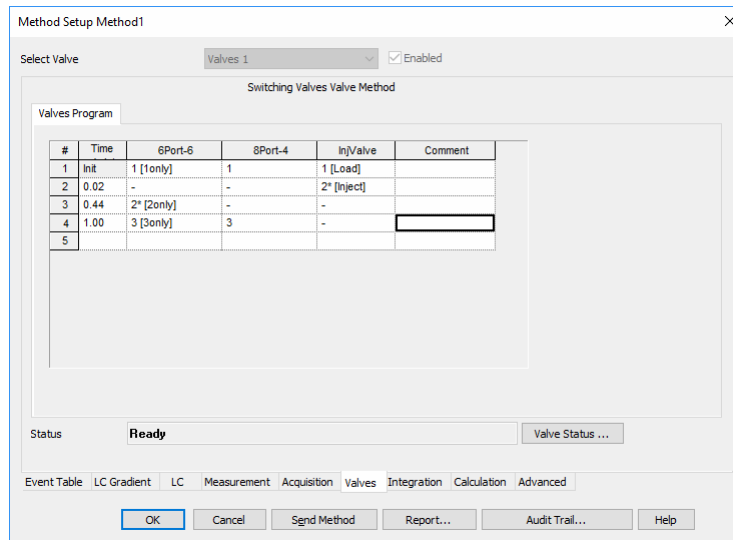




Fig. 141 Setup window for the Switching Valves

VALVES PROGRAM: The options are BLANK (-), I (Inject), and L (Load) for 2-position valves and 1 through 6 (12, 16) for 6- (12-, or 16-) position valves. The BLANK (-) selection means that the valve will not change its state at the given time. If valve positions are named in configuration, the names will be shown.

For AZURA VU 4.1 for the injection valve the positions will also be shown as 1 and 2 instead of I and L. If an event is enabled for a position, it will be represented with a *.

The values can be entered directly or selected from the drop-down list. The corresponding button  appears as soon as the respective field is selected.

The principle of editing the valves program table is the same as described for the gradient table on page 99.

If you select any field in the comment column, the  button will appear, which allows you to open a comment window.

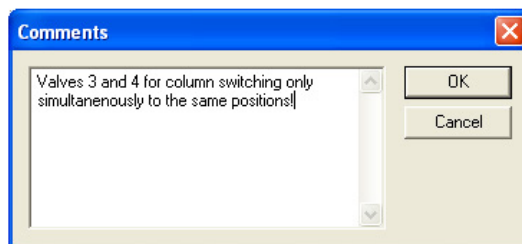


Fig. 142 Setup window, KNAUER Switching Valves, Comments

PDA, Detector Method

The method setup / PDA window includes a tab as described below and a tab independent button PDA Status.

PDA STATUS: PDA Status reads out and displays a status summary.

SELECT PDA/ENABLED: SELECT PDA and the field ENABLED are not accessible and only offer information as soon as a PDA is configured and added to the system.

PDA, Scan

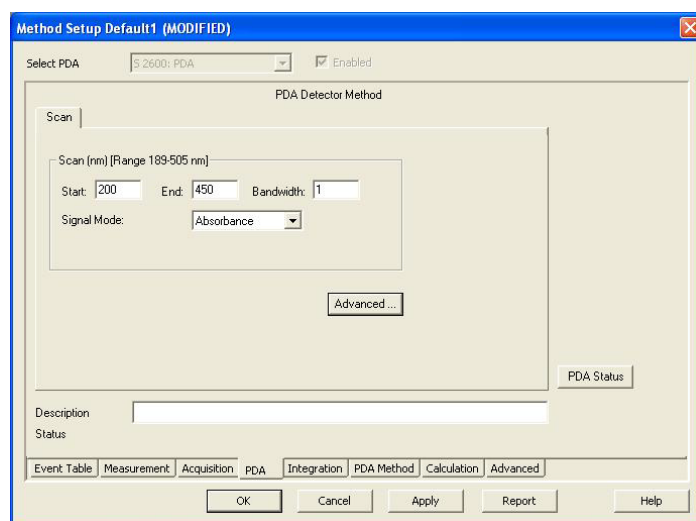


Fig. 143 PDA, Scan

SCAN, NM [Range x-x nm]: This area is used to specify spectral parameters used for your test measurements. The range displays the minimal and maximal wavelengths available for the detector. The wavelength range depends on the detector; the range depicted is just an example. If a detector is connected and switched on, the physical scan limit of the detector will be shown. If not, default values for the scan range (detector dependent) will be displayed.

START, END/FROM, TO: START/FROM is the minimal wavelength. The default value is 200 nm END/TO is the upper limit of the current scan. The default value is defined by the configuration. 3D data is acquired within this defined range. Please note that all wavelengths monitored separately under Acquisition in the wavelength program and their selected bandwidths have to be within the selected scan range.

BANDWIDTH/BW: The bandwidth is the wavelength range that is used to measure a data point of the spectrum. For the spectra acquisition, it is highly recommended to use a bandwidth of 1 nm to receive a clean spectrum.

SIGNAL MODE: Select the signal mode from the drop-down list. The choices are ABSORPTION AND INTENSITY. For a data acquisition in HPLC usually Absorption will be used

PDA Method

Displays the PDA Method for several settings when the PDA Module is active. Detailed description is provided in a separate PDA manual.

Thermostat (Column Ovens)

The Method Setup - Thermostat window includes a tab and a tab-independent switch Th. Status, which is explained below.

TH. STATUS: Th. Status reads out and displays a status summary.

SELECT THERMOSTAT, ENABLED: SELECT THERMOSTAT and the field ENABLED are not accessible for changes and only offer information as soon as a thermostat is configured and added to the system.

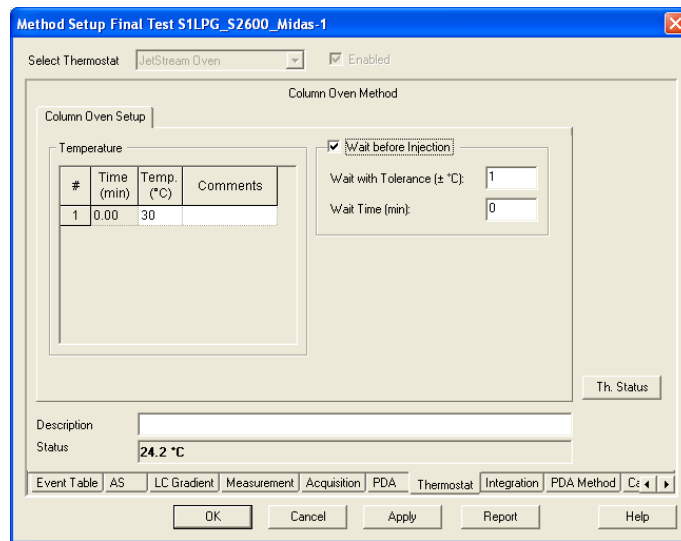


Fig. 144 Setup window JetStream

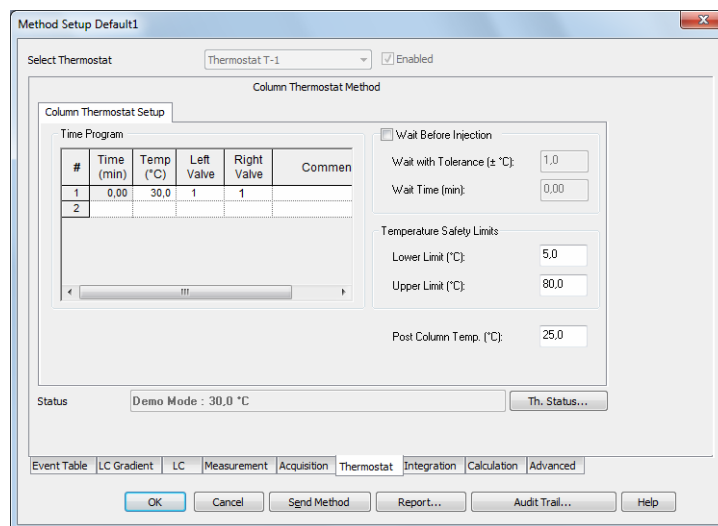


Fig. 145 Setup window column thermostat T-1

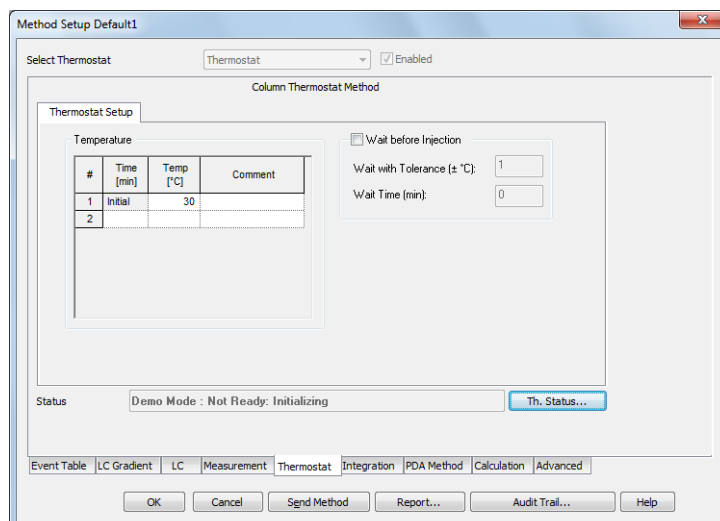


Fig. 146 Setup window column thermostat CT 2.1

TEMPERATURE, TIME PROGRAM: Enter your time program. For details on the spreadsheet operations, refer to the section gradient table page 99. The allowable temperatures depend on the column thermostat model. Please keep in mind the maximum heating and cooling rate of your column thermostat when you enter the temperature gradient.

LEFT VALVE, RIGHT VALVE, TIME PROGRAM (T-1 only): If your column thermostat T-1 is equipped with valves, you can time-program them. If you have activated the check box COLUMN SWITCHING OPTION in the configuration, you can only set one position to which both valves are switched synchronously.

WAIT BEFORE INJECTION: The settings WAIT WITH TOLERANCE (\pm °C / \pm °F / \pm K, dependent from the settings in the INSTRUMENT METHOD SENDING menu) and WAIT TIME (min) allow the autosampler to wait for an injection until the start temperature set in the temperature program is reached in the oven. Prior to every injection, the autosampler will wait until the start temperature is reached and the WAIT TIME has elapsed. During a single run, this setting has no effect, the run is started immediately, even if the set target temperature has not been reached yet.

COOLER TEMPERATURE (Smartline Oven 4050 only): Settings from 5° up to 30° are allowed.

LEAKAGE SENSOR ALARM (Smartline Oven 4050 only): This setting regulates the sensitivity of the leak sensor. Values from 1 through 100 are possible. Setting 1 is related to the highest and setting 99 to the lowest sensitivity of the sensor. With setting 100 the sensor is switched off. For the T-1 and the CT 2.1, the leak sensor alarm is set in the configuration. The leak sensor of the JetStream oven cannot be controlled via software.

TEMPERATURE SAFETY LIMITS (CT 2.1, T-1 only): A LOWER LIMIT and an UPPER LIMIT temperature range can be defined. The values must be set between 2,0 and 85,0 °C. The temperature set under TIME PROGRAM may not be outside the selected limit.

POST COLUMN TEMP. (T-1 only): POST COLUMN TEMP. determines the pre-column temperature. The values must be between 15,0 and 35,0 °C.



Note: If the operating panel has been connected to the column thermostats CT 2.1 and JetStream, "Choose function" has to be displayed on the panel as the default value when the instrument is opened. Otherwise, it cannot be accessed.

Integration

The button METHOD SETUP ACQUISITION · INTEGRATION opens the dialog window in which you can set the integration parameters. For a detailed description, see the Reference Manual chapter 2.5.4 INSTRUMENT · METHOD · INTEGRATION.



Note: When using a multi-detector configuration, each detector will have its own integration table.

Calculation

The button METHOD SETUP CALCULATION · CALCULATION opens a dialog window in which you can determine how calculations should be displayed. In the dialog tab ADVANCED, further parameters for the calculations can be entered. For a detailed description, see the Reference Manual chapter 2.5.5 Instrument · Method · Integration. When utilizing a multi-detector chromatogram, the tab will be common to all signals.

Setup and programming fraction collectors



Only one fraction collector can be configured per system. The setup procedures and programming for all fraction collectors supported by ClarityChrom are identical and are therefore described collectively and not per device.

Det. Channel: The field DET. CHANNEL controls the fraction collection. From the drop-down list, select the detector (channel) whose signal shall be evaluated for the fractioning. Only one detector or one detector channel (for multi wavelength detectors) can be selected. If two detector channels are required, it can be realized using a virtual detector (refer the chapter for virtual detector setup).

FC RESET: This option must be checked for cumulative collection from repeating runs. For each injection the fraction collector starts then with the first programmed fractionation vial. All fractions of each injection will be collected in the same vials. This is useful in case the sample solution shall be injected multiple times. All information about the before collected fractions will be deleted (refer to SHOW RACK in the collectors Device Monitor). This is applicable for all single analysis and for multiple starts of (a) sequences. For all injections, made in one sequence run, the software stores the filling level to prevent, that the fractionation vials will be overfilled. If the FC RESET option is disabled, each fraction from each injection will be collected in a separate vial. In case no empty vial accessible, the run will be interrupted.

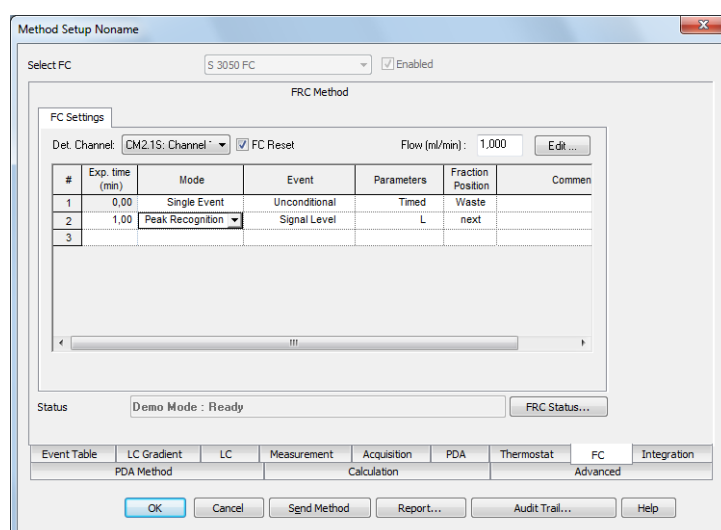


Fig. 147 Fraction collector settings

FLOW (mL/min): Enter the flow rate of the pump. This information is needed to calculate the time or volume delay as well as to calculate the filling level of the fractionation vial. The time or volume delay is the time that a peak requires to move from the detector's flow cell to the fractionation vial (also refer the Tubing Parameters in the fraction collector's configuration setup). The filling level calculation prevents an overflow of the fractionation vial (also refer to FC Reset). It is important that the flow rate of the pump remains at a constant level across the whole run; changes in the flow rate during the run cannot be considered.

EDIT...: EDIT... opens the window for programming the fractionation, also with the help of a chromatogram, see also page 125.

FRC Status displays a status summary of the involved collector.

Fraction collection program (FC Settings)



The principle of programming the fraction collector is the same as described for programming the gradient, as described on page 99. Some fields are free for entering data whereas others are either only for information purposes (without access) or for selecting between possible options via a drop-down list.

EXP. TIME (min): Enter the desired (expected) time values for the fractionation event.

MODE: In the SINGLE EVENT MODUS, the actions (collect or move to waste) of the fraction collector at a certain point of time can be defined, while the mode PEAK RECOGNITION reacts to the detector signal and executes pre-set actions (collecting, recycling, moving to waste) if given conditions are met. The parameters are valid until another line with other parameters is executed from the fractionation table. If no other line is available, the conditions apply to the entire run. In the mode PEAK RECOGNITION, every newly detected peak according to the defined thresholds (see Parameters option below) will be collected in the next empty vial. The NEXT empty vial is defined as the next not used vial, seen from vial position 1, not from the current collection position. With the action COLLECT TO, a vial position may be reserved in the mode SINGLE EVENT. In this position, there is no collection via NEXT because a vial is not free. It is skipped as if it was the next vial. The display and the possibilities of the following settings depend on the selected mode:

It is highly recommended to insert the following line into the program at the end of the run time (defined in the tab Measurement) with Mode: Single Event; Event: Unconditional; Parameters: Waste. This line causes the valve to switch the fraction collector to Waste at the end of a run. If a fraction has been collected close to the end of a run, it may happen that the fraction collector continues to collect after the run has ended.

EVENT: The possible options displayed depend on the selected mode:

| # | Exp. time (min) | Mode | Event | Parameters |
|---|-----------------|--------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 | 0.00 | Single Event | Unconditional | Timed |
| 2 | | | Unconditional | |

| Mode | Event | Parameters |
|------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Peak Recognition | Signal Level | L |
| | Signal Slope | |
| | Signal Level/Slope | |

Fig. 148 Event Definition

SINGLE EVENT - UNCONDITIONAL: Signal-independent action at a programmed point of time, as selected in the parameter window.

PEAK RECOGNITION - SIGNAL LEVEL: The collection takes place according to set level thresholds. The parameters are valid until another line with other parameters is executed.

PEAK RECOGNITION - SIGNAL SLOPE: The collection takes place according to set slope thresholds. The parameters are valid until another line with other parameters is executed.

PEAK RECOGNITION - SIGNAL LEVEL/SLOPE: The collection takes place according to set level and slope thresholds which can be combined in logical AND / OR combinations. The parameters are valid until another line with other parameters is executed.

PARAMETERS: By activating any field in this column, an arrow will appear. By clicking on this arrow a dialog box for the FC parameters at that selected time will be opened. Its appearance will depend on the mode as well as on the selected event.

Parameter Single Event - Unconditional

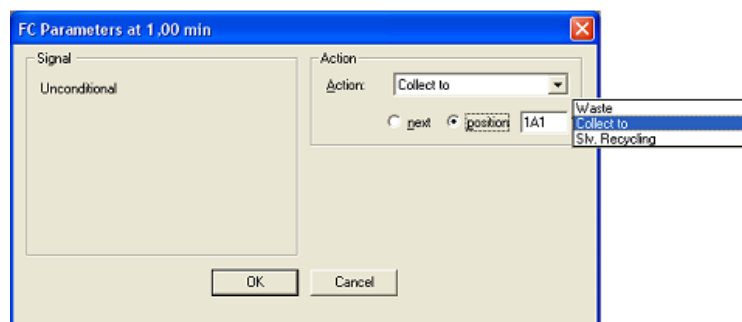


Fig. 149 FC Parameters Unconditional (single event)

Only the type of action (and in case of Collect to the destination vial/position) is to be selected. COLLECT TO allows defining a vial position for a fraction. Next means the next not used vial, seen from vial position 1, not from the current collection position. The option SLV. RECYCLING (solvent recycling) is only available if a recycling valve has been configured during the configuration of the fraction collector. Due to that the signal level will not be checked, make sure that during the solvent recycling no components will elute. After closing the window the parameter will be designated as Timed.

Parameter Peak Recognition - Signal Level

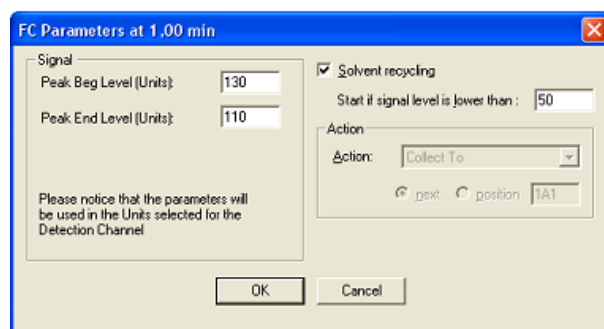


Fig. 150 FC Parameters Signal Level (peak recognition)

In the case of peak recognition mode and event Signal Level, the parameter window will enable you to enter the threshold values for the peak at the beginning and at the end. This action refers to the next free vial (COLLECT TO NEXT, next unused vial from vial position 1). All peaks, which meet the programmed threshold, are now collected. The base line has to approach the threshold from below (lower values). If the detector measuring value exceeds the Peak End Level, the collection is stopped. If a recycling valve has been configured, you can also activate the SOLVENT RECYCLING option

with a corresponding threshold. After closing the window, the parameter will be designated as L without leading sign.

Parameter Peak Recognition - Signal Slope

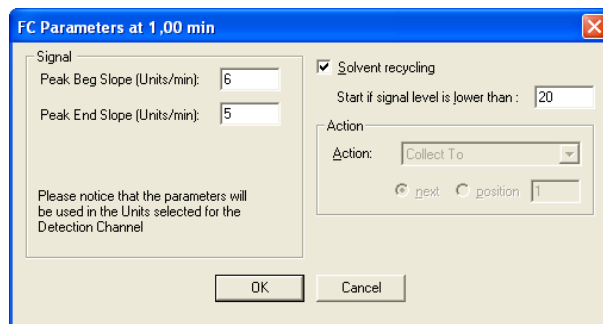


Fig. 151 FC Parameters Signal Slope (peak recognition)

When using the SIGNAL SLOPE instead of the Signal Level, the settings are made similarly. The only difference is that the slope values (defined as signal difference per 1 sec) are to be used as thresholds. Only positive values of slope are accepted in this window. For the SOLVENT RECYCLING (only available if a recycling valve has been configured) the signal level has to be entered, not the signal slope. After closing the window, the parameter will be designated as S without leading sign.

Parameter Peak Recognition - Signal Level/Slope

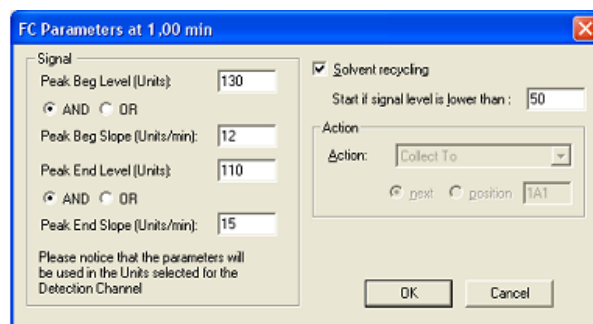


Fig. 152 FC Parameters Signal Level/Slope (peak recognition)

Peak recognition using the slope and the level is performed similarly as described above. The only difference is that both the level and slope values are to be used as thresholds. Then you have to decide how the thresholds should be logically connected (AND, OR). This can be defined differently for the ascending and descending flange of the peak.

After closing the window the parameter will be designated for example as LB AND SB - LE AND SE.

SOLVENT RECYCLING: Check this option if a solvent recycling valve is configured and you want to perform solvent recycling.

Enter the signal threshold for the solvent recycling option. Recycling will be activated if no peak is currently collected and the signal is lower than the threshold.

ACTION: In Single Event mode, the action can be selected. WASTE, COLLECT TO, and SOLVENT RECYCLING are possible. For the mode Peak Recognition the action is set to COLLECT TO NEXT.

ACTION - WASTE: The eluate will be directed to waste.

ACTION - COLLECT TO: The eluate will be directed to the set position. Either NEXT (the next free vial from vial position 1) or a fixed vial number can be selected.

ACTION - SOLVENT RECYCLING: The eluate will be collected in a recycling container because its purity is better than the set limits.

FRACTION POSITION: This field is for information purposes according to the settings in the parameter window. Either the defined vial position is displayed or Next for the first free vial position. Additional possibilities are Waste and Solvent Recycling.

Editing of fraction collection programs



EDIT...: As an alternative for the direct programming of the fraction table or as an additional option, click the Edit button to open the FC program editing tool which allows also for graphical programming of fractionation.

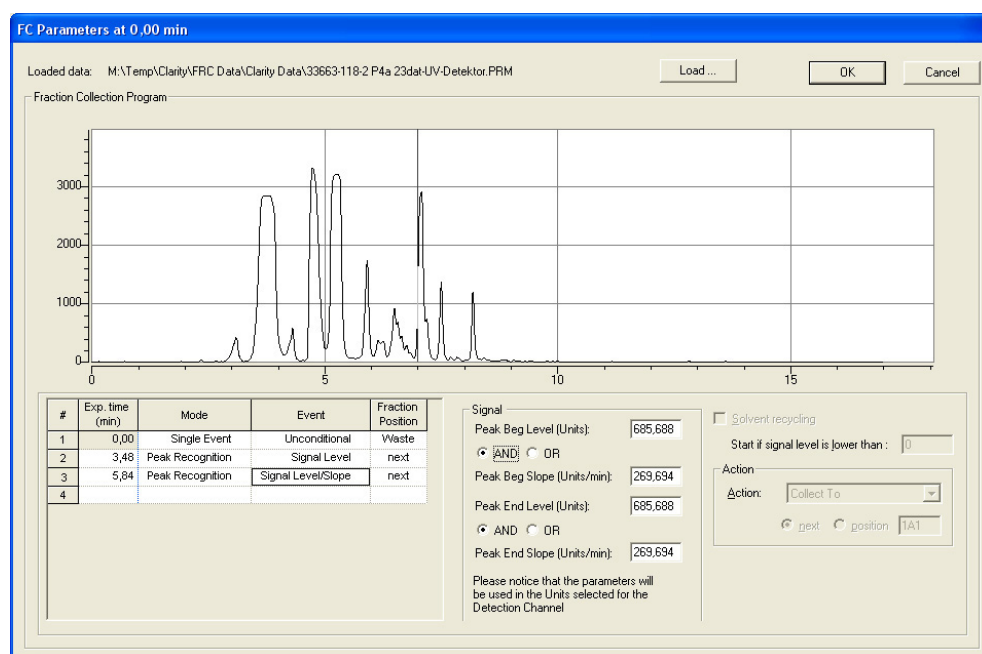


Fig. 153 Programming window for the fractionation

LOADED DATA: The path for the currently opened chromatogram is displayed in this field.

LOAD...: Click the Load... button to open the desired chromatogram to be used for defining the fractionation settings. A window which allows for selecting the desired chromatogram will appear.

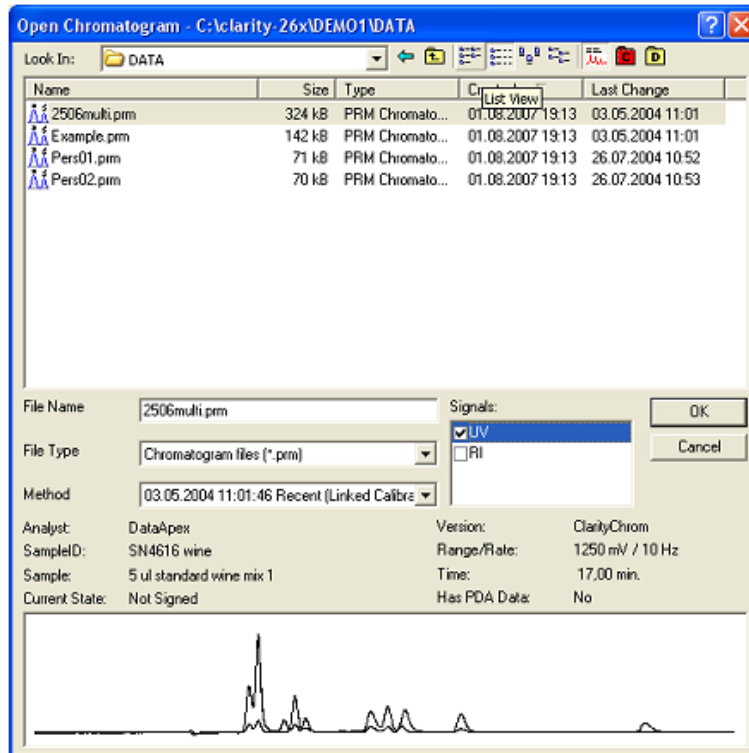


Fig. 154 Open Chromatogram window

Click on the desired chromatogram. If there is more than one signal (trace) in the data file, select only one signal. Press the OK button to load the selected chromatogram to the editing tool.

Moving the cursor inside the graph area will cause it to become a cross hairs. In addition, a vertical line will appear. Depending on the position of the cursor, the actual values for Time, Amplitude (level) and Slope will be displayed directly above the graph.

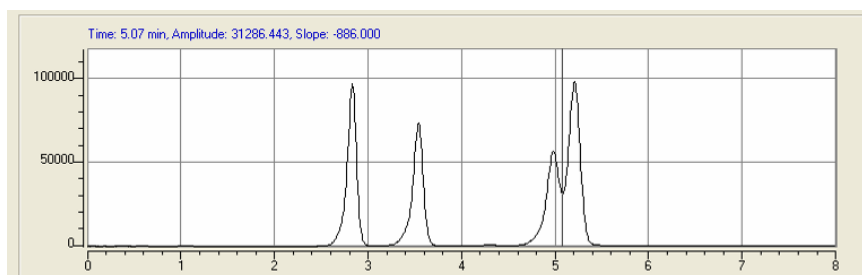


Fig. 155 Opened chromatogram in setup window


Move the cursor to the desired position and double-click with pressed Ctrl key. In the fraction collection program a new line will be created and the parameter window for this line will contain the current time, level, and slope values. By default, the peak recognition mode with the signal level/slope event will be suggested. Complete the parameter settings as necessary and click to another line in the fraction table to apply the settings. Repeat this procedure as often as required to program additional events.

You can also program the collection events directly in the table. The parameters for the selected event you can enter in the right-handed part of the window. The options are identically with the table programming as described above.

Keep in mind to insert the following line into the program at the end of the run time (defined in the tab Measurement) with Mode: Single Event; Event: Unconditional; Parameters: Waste; to cause the valve of the fraction collector to switch to Waste after the end of a run.

When complete, click OK to exit the dialog and return to the method setup window.

Device Monitor

Clicking on the  icon of the instrument window will open the device monitor displaying status information and enabling online settings.

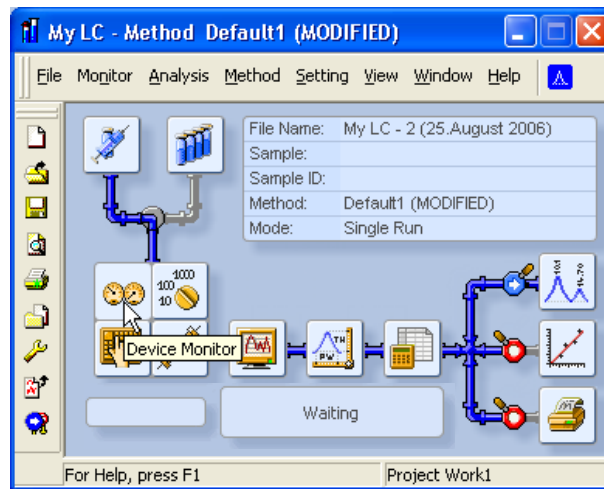


Fig. 156 Instrument window

The design of the device monitor of course depends on the configured system. The monitor is divided in two sections the monitoring and the DIRECT CONTROL area. The DIRECT CONTROL area allows entering and executing parameters independent of which method parameters are currently set. Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL. This is necessary because the method is not reloaded for a Single Acquisition prior to the start.



Note: If device parameters will be sent to a device from the Device Monitor, the previously loaded method will be deleted from the device. If a run is started afterwards, it is not performed with the original method parameters but with the parameters sent via the Device Monitor. To load the method parameters again for a run, send the method again by using the Send Method button in the Single Analysis window or the method setup. You can also reload the method by clicking FILE · LOAD METHOD in the method window. This step is not necessary if you want to start a sequence next because the method will always be reopened and the method parameters will be sent to the devices.



Note: If you have send a method and afterwards changed device parameters in Device Monitor, for some devices, as valves, the method start parameters will be send and executed, if the Device Monitor is closed. That means, that a valve will switch back to the position, programmed in the valve's time table in Method Setup of the current method. This is also applicable, if the Instrument is closed.

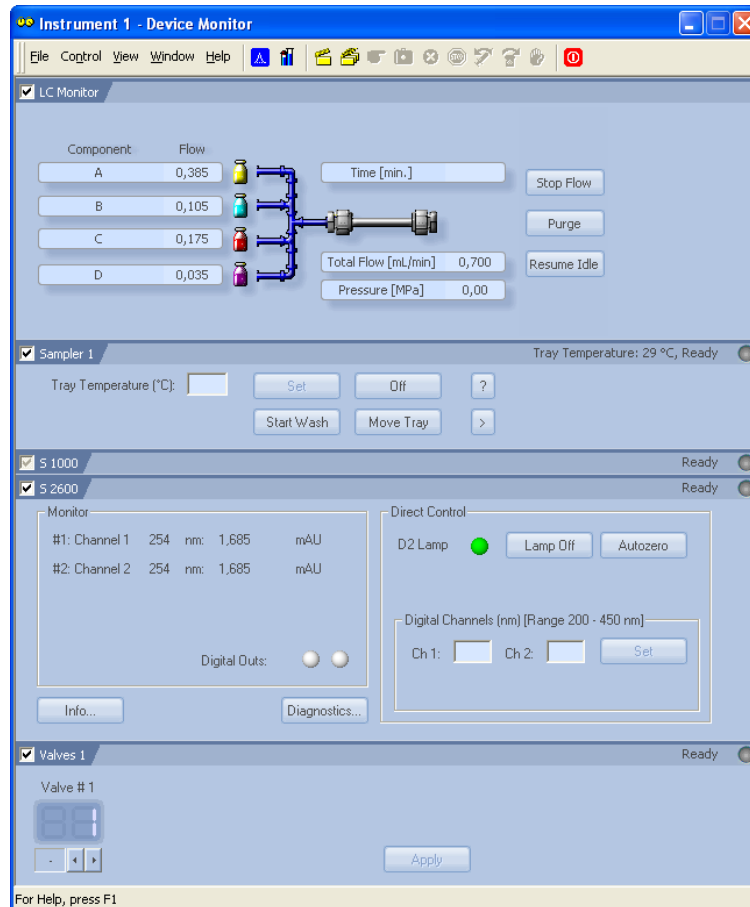


Fig. 157 Device Monitor

The order of instruments displayed in the device monitor can be adapted to the needs of the user easily, as shown in figure 158. With a right-hand mouse click on the instrument area, a menu is opened to move this segment up, down, to the top, or to the bottom.

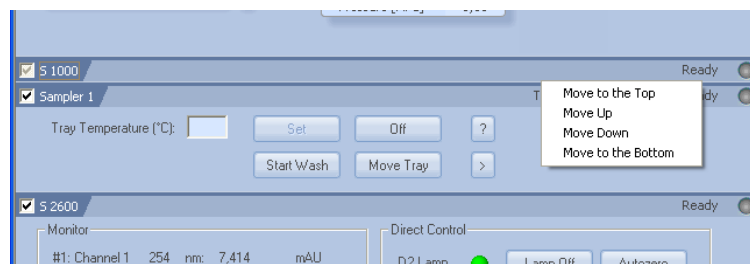


Fig. 158 Moving segments of the device monitor

Device Monitor - pumps

The monitor segment of the KNAUER pump includes 3 buttons which allow, like the CONTROL menu, input for direct control. This menu enables to shut down the system, to stop the solvent delivery and to set the flow and gradient manually. LC CONTROL · PURGE... as well as the PURGE button on the tab LC Monitor will open the window Set Flow, as shown in 159.

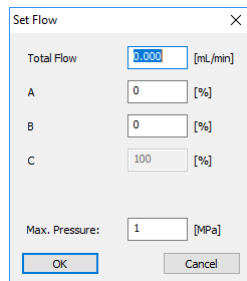


Fig. 159 Direct control of the Smartline pump 1000

A desired flow rate and in case of a gradient system, a fixed gradient composition can be set. A maximum pressure limit also will be send. Make sure, that it fits with the pump head and the system pressure.



Note: If a method with disabled solvent channel A is loaded, the "Set Flow" does not work.



Note: The solvent selection valves (SSV) of the AZURA pump P 6.1L HPG are accessible via the separate section for this pump, but not in the LC Monitor section. The valve settings cannot be combined with the SET FLOW command. SET FLOW always use the SSV valve settings from the currently opened method.

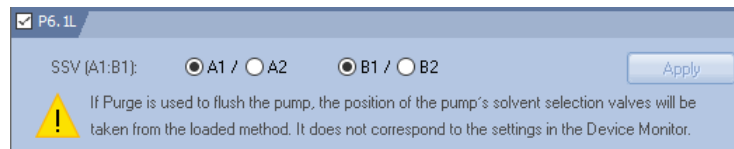


Fig. 160 Direct Control of P 6.1L HPG SSV valves



Note: Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL.

The VIEW menu enables to select the view of gradient composition either in % or directly in ml. The state of the pump is displayed in the additional S 1000 segment. If any error is connected with the pump it will be described in this status line.

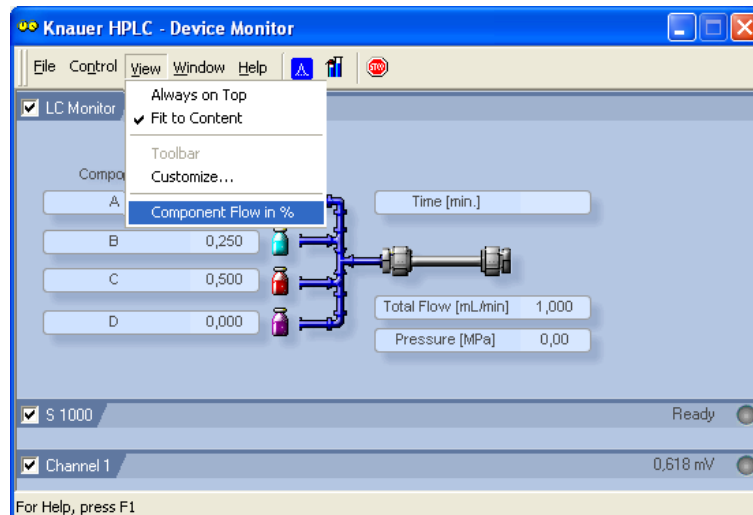


Fig. 161 Device Monitor Pump 1000

Device Monitor - auxiliary pump

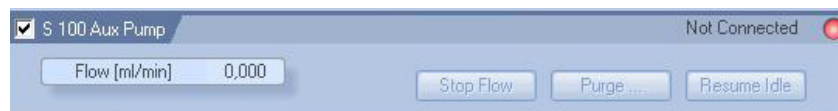


Fig. 162 Device Monitor auxiliary Pump 100

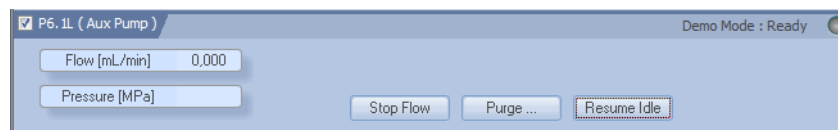


Fig. 163 Device Monitor Pump P 6.1L as auxiliary pump

If the Smartline Pump 100 is configured as an auxiliary pump, the device monitor is different from the Device Monitor of the usual pumps. You are enabled to set a desired flow, to stop the flow, and to start purging.

STOP FLOW: Stops the flow of the pump.

PURGE: Setting the flow for purging the pump. Clicking on this button opens a window, in which the wanted flow and the gradient composition can be entered, if the pump runs LPG mode.

RESUME IDLE: Loads the settings which are defined by the Idle mode set in the pump setup.



Note: Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL.

Device Monitor – KNAUER RI detectors

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field. Additionally, the possibility to execute an autozero and flushing of the measurement cell is given by clicking on the appropriate buttons.

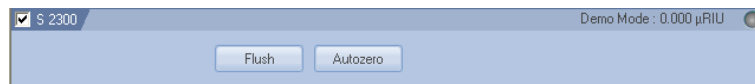


Fig. 164 Device Monitor RI detector

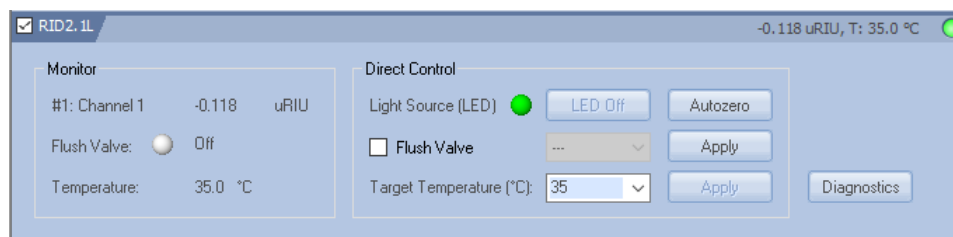


Fig. 165 Device Monitor RID 2.1L

Monitor

The monitor part shows the current signal, status of the Flush valve and the temperature of the optical unit.

Direct Control

LIGHT SOURCE (LED): The LED can be switched off and on again. If switched off if the RID will be switched on, it must be switched on by software after the next start of the detector. If LED is switched off, no data can be acquired.

FLUSH VALVE: If the check box "Flush Valve" is enabled, you can open the flush valve by clicking the Apply button to flush reference and measurement cell. To close the valve, uncheck the check box and click again the Apply button. To flush for a defined time, select the time from the drop-down menu before clicking Apply. If a time is selected, the flush valve will close automatically, if the selected time is reached.

TARGET TEMPERATURE: You can set the temperature for the optical unit. If selected, click the Apply button to send the new temperature. Keep in mind, that it requires a longer time to reaches a new cell temperature. **The cell temperature can reach only up to a flow rate of 4 ml/min. If using higher flow rates, the eluents must be pre-temperated.**

AUTOZERO: The autozero first checks the zero glass position and adjust it, if necessary, then the electronically autozero will be done.

Diagnostics

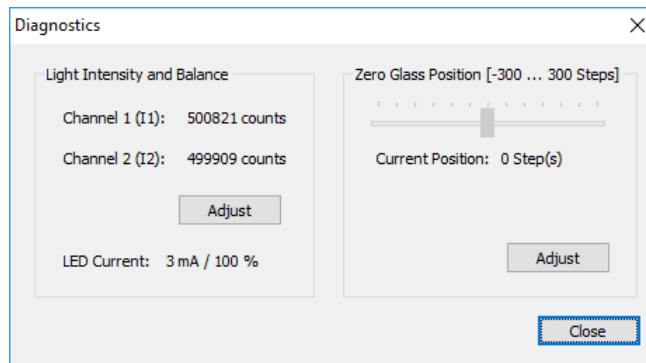


Fig. 166 Diagnostics RID 2.1L

LIGHT INTENSITY AND BALANCE: The detector signal is determined through the calculation formula (see RID manual) using:

Channel 1 (I1) counts measured on diode 1 and Channel 2 (I2) counts measured on diode 2. Before carrying out a measurement, both diodes must be balanced: this means roughly the same amount of light should fall on both diodes, i.e. Channel 1 and Channel 2 should have roughly the same number of counts.

ZERO GLASS POSITION: Ideally before carrying out a measurement, the position of the zero glass should be roughly 0 (Extended Dynamic Range OFF). This ensures a maximum measurement range for both positive and negative peaks. The zero glass position can be recalculated via the Adjust command.

LED CURRENT: The actual electrical current from the light source is displayed in % and mA units. This value can be used to monitor the aging of the LED, but only when the same total number of counts is compared over time. The LED current in % value is normalized to LED power factor 1. The LED current in mA is not normalized.

Device Monitor - KNAUER UV Detectors

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field. Additionally, the possibility to execute an autozero and to switch the lamp off or on is given by clicking on the appropriate buttons. After entering a new wavelength, the Set button is activated. Clicking the Set button sends the new settings to the detector.

Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL.

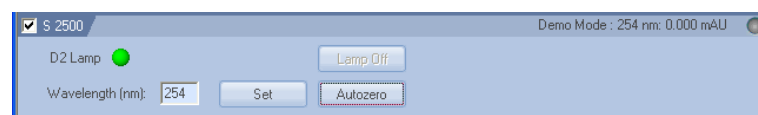


Fig. 167 Device Monitor Smartline UV detector 2500

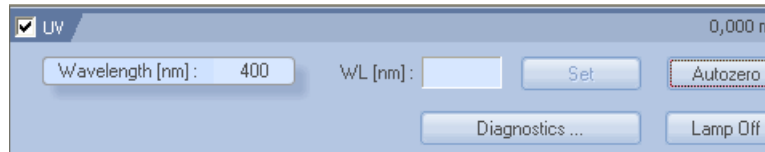


Fig. 168 Device Monitor UD 2.1S detector

For the functionality of the diagnostics menu, which can be accessed after clicking Diagnostics... please refer the Diagnostics section of the chapter Device Monitor - KNAUER PDA Detectors page 139.

Device Monitor - KNAUER PDA Detectors

If the lamp time of a PDA detector has exceeded the maximum recommended life time, a warning message will be displayed every time, if the instrument is opened.

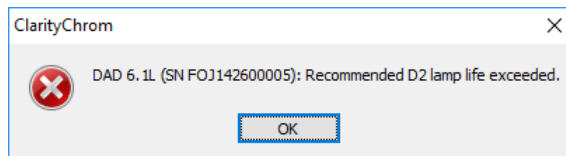


Fig. 169 PDA lamp life time message

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field. The monitor is divided in two sections, the monitoring and the Direct Control area.

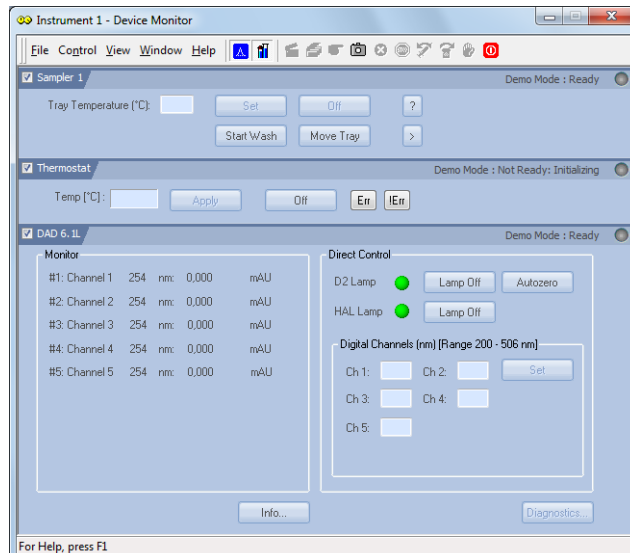


Fig. 170 Device Monitor - AZURA DAD 6.1L

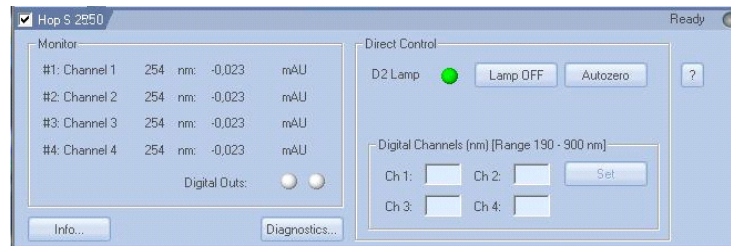


Fig. 171 Device Monitor S 2550

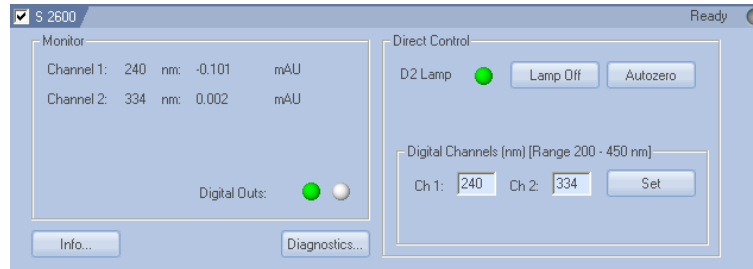


Fig. 172 Device Monitor S 2600

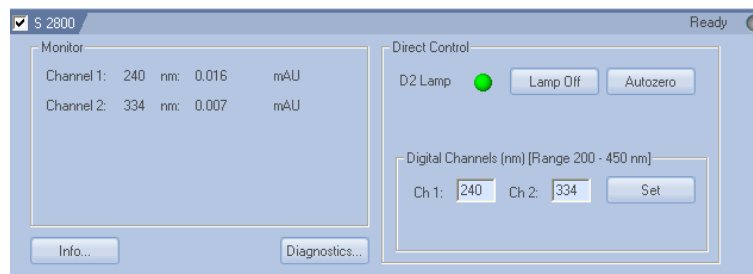




Fig. 173 Device Monitor S 2800

The set wavelength and the corresponding actual signals of all configured channels are displayed. The detector signal will be displayed if a method was sent to the device. For the detector K-2600 the signal will only be displayed if a Run is performed. The actual status of the two digital outs is indicated by the red (ON) or grey (OFF) LED symbol.

Direct Control

D2 Lamp (HAL Lamp): An active green LED symbol  indicates that the device is ON, a gray inactive LED symbol  indicates that the device is OFF. Clicking on the LAMP OFF button will, after a confirmation, switch the lamp off and change the button label to LAMP ON. The appearance of the HAL lamp control depends on the individual detector and its configuration.

AUTOZERO: Activate this option to perform an AUTOZERO and to define the current signal as base line.

DIGITAL CHANNELS (nm) [Range 200 - 450 nm]: The number of channels that will be activated depends on how many possibilities are given to set new values for the measuring wavelengths. Only after a new wavelength value has been entered does the SET button get activated. Clicking the Set button sends the new settings to the detector.

DIGITAL OUTS (S 2600 only): The status of digital outs is indicated. The digital outs are controlled as described on page page 86 or during a run from the event table, see Fig. 115 on page page 98.



Note: After power-up, allow 30 minutes for the lamp to stabilize before running samples that may require sensitive measurements. Please note that on

some detectors the lamp may not be switched on automatically when the device is switched on.

Clicking on INFO... opens a window with detailed spectrometer information, including the GLP-relevant information.

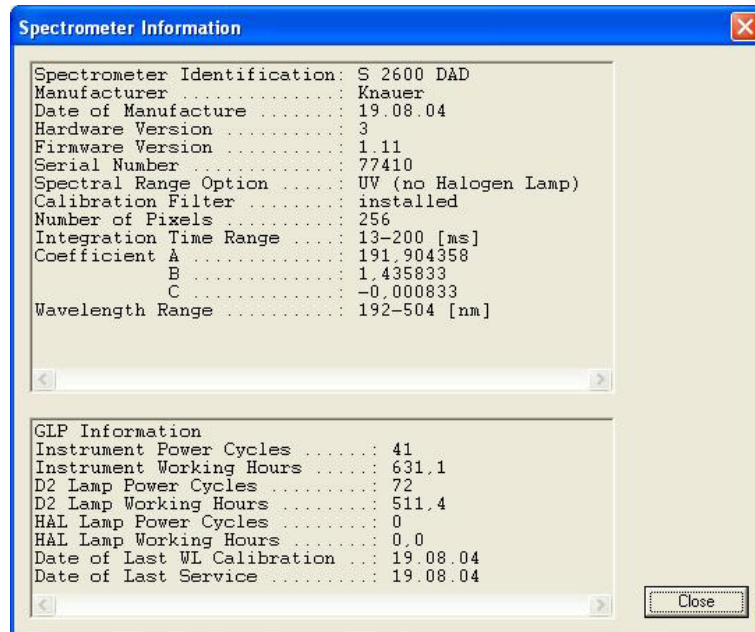


Fig. 174 Spectrometer, information window S 2600

**Diagnos-
tics
KNAUER
PDA
Detectors**

DIAGNOSTICS: Click on the DIAGNOSTICS... button to use the diagnostic features of the software. The Diagnostics window appears which allows you to access information and to control important parameters and modules of the device. The settings that are made here have no influence on the settings made in the Method Setup.

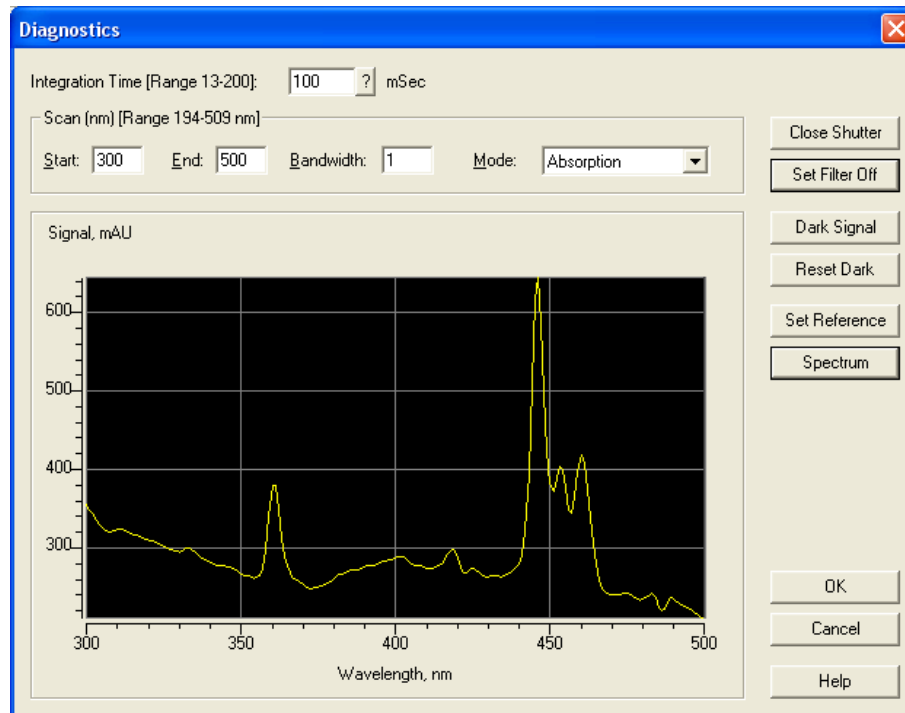


Fig. 175 Spectrometer, diagnostics window S 2600

INTEGRATION TIME [RANGE 13 -200] MSEC: The integration time is the time interval during which the detector “accumulates” light to receive one spectrum. This value is a measure of the intensity of light originating from a lamp. The more light that passes the optical scheme and the cell, the shorter the integration time will be.

The integration time depends also on the specific spectral interval (Scan) selected for the measurement, since the maximum of intensity may be varied. Click on the ? button to display the optimal integration time.

SCAN, NM [RANGE 194 - 509 NM]: This area is used to specify spectral parameters used for your test measurements. The range displays the minimal and maximal wavelengths available for the detector. The minimal and maximal wavelengths are the limits which are defined by the configuration of the detector.

START, END: START of Scan is the minimal wavelength to be measured. The default value is 200 nm. END of Scan is the maximum wavelength to be measured. The default value is 500 nm.

BANDWIDTH: Bandwidth is the wavelength range that will be used to measure a data point of the spectrum. For the spectra acquisition, it is highly recommended to use a bandwidth of 1 nm to receive a clean spectrum.

MODE: Select the signal mode for your measurements from the drop-down list. The choices are ABSORPTION and INTENSITY.

OPEN/CLOSE SHUTTER: A click on this button will open/close the shutter. The name of the button changes accordingly.

SET FILTER ON/OFF: Click this button to introduce the edge filter into the light path or removes it. The name of the button changes accordingly.

DARK SIGNAL: Click the button to measure the dark current. This operation is enabled only for devices equipped with a shutter.

SET REFERENCE: Click this button to measure a spectrum to be used as a reference spectrum.

SPECTRUM: Click the button to measure an absorption or intensity spectrum, depending on the signal mode selected for the measurement. The measured spectrum will be shown in the spectrum view.

AUTOCALIBRATION (S 2550): The recalibration of the detector will start after clicking the Autocalibration button. It is recommended if the flow cell has been replaced.

Please note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be reloaded. Otherwise, the devices would have to run with the parameters transmitted via DIRECT CONTROL.

Device Monitor - Virtual Detector

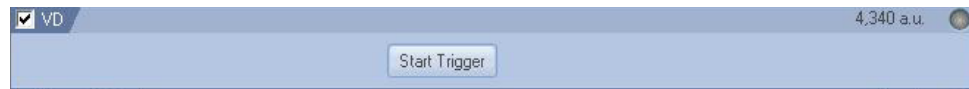


Fig. 176 Device Monitor - Virtual Detector (VD)

The only opportunity the monitor offers is to start a trigger. This will start a run, if the system is in Waiting state.

Device Monitor - Assistant ASM 2.1L

The status of the ASM 2.1L modules will be shown separately. The shown information and the DIRECT CONTROL options correspond with the information shown for the matching single devices.

Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL.

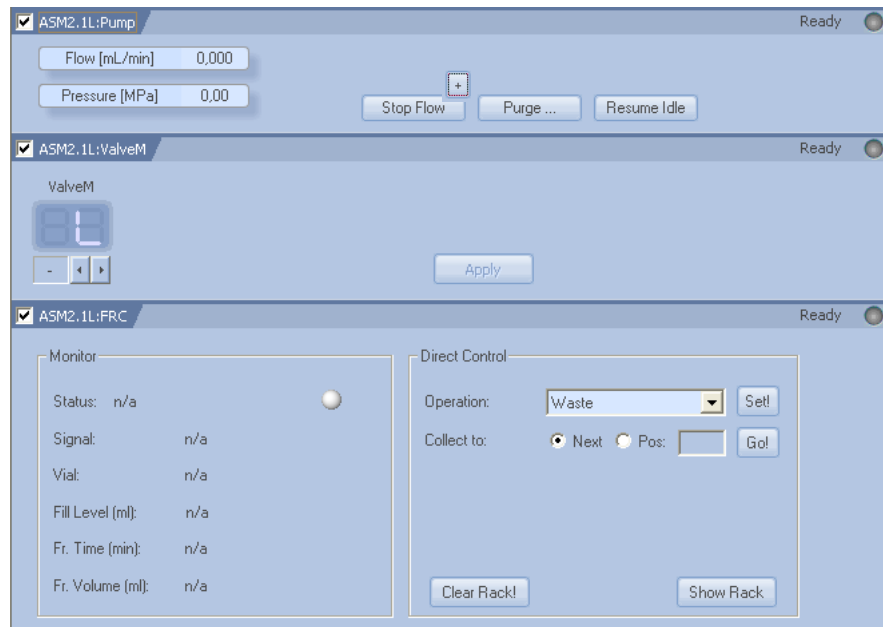


Fig. 177 Device Monitor - ASM 2.1L, pump (AUX), valve, MultiValve FC

Device Monitor - autosamplers

There is only one status bar for the autosamplers 3800 and 3900. The status bar for the autosampler 3950 is depicted in Fig. 178.



Fig. 178 Device Monitor - autosampler AS 3950

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field.

TRAY TEMPERATURE [°C]: If the autosampler is equipped with a tray temperature control function, the desired temperature can be entered and sent

to the device by clicking the SET button. Additionally, the tray thermostat can be switched On or Off and a needle wash procedure can be started.

MOVE TRAY: With this button the tray can be moved to the front or to the back, which simplifies loading the tray with vials. If during a run the autosamplers Analysis time is running out (refer to method setup autosampler, tab Mode, Time and Temp.), the MOVE TRAY button will become active. This allows for adding or removing vials during a running the sequence.

Clicking on the ? button shows a window with the instrument's serial number, name and firmware version.

Clicking on the > button allows direct control access for the syringe, tray and injection valve. If the tray 84+3 vials tray is selected, the filling level of the transport vials 85, 86 and 87 can be set to 8000 µl by clicking the + button.

Please note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be reloaded. Otherwise, the devices would have to run with the parameters transmitted via DIRECT CONTROL.

Device Monitor - column ovens

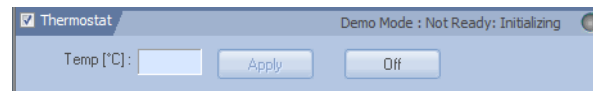


Fig. 179 Device Monitor - CT 2.1 Column Thermostat

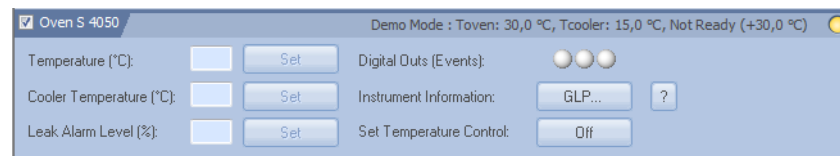


Fig. 180 Device Monitor - Smartline Column Oven S 4050



Fig. 181 Device Monitor - Column Oven Jet Stream

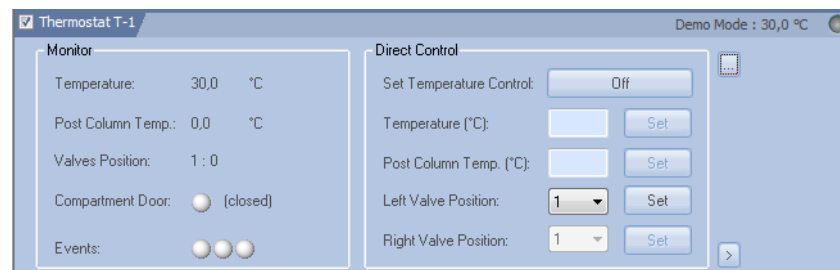


Fig. 182 Device Monitor - T-1 Column Oven

CT 2.1, S 4050, and JetStream

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field.

TEMPERATURE [°C]: The desired temperature can be entered and sent to the device by pressing the SET button.

OFF: Pressing this button, will delete the temperature settings in the thermostat. The device will not cool or heat until a new temperature has been set.

COOLER TEMPERATURE [°C] (S 4050 only): The desired cooler temperature can be entered and sent to the device by pressing the Set button.

LEAKAGE ALARM LEVEL (%) (S 4050 only): The desired sensitivity of the leakage sensor can be entered and sent to the device by pressing the Set button.

EVENTS / DIGITAL OUTS (EVENTS) (S 4050 only): The status of digital outs is indicated. The digital outs are used as described on page 86 and can be changed during a run from the event table (see Fig. 115 on page 98).

INSTRUMENT INFORMATION (S 4050 only): Clicking on the GLP... button opens a window with the current GLP information. Clicking on the ? button opens a window with general device information.

SET TEMPERATURE CONTROL (S 4050 only): The temperature control can be switched On or Off.

Clicking on the ? button opens a window with general device information.

T-1

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field. The monitor is divided in two sections, the monitoring and the DIRECT CONTROL area. The DIRECT CONTROL area allows entering and executing parameters independent of which method parameters are currently set. Please note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be reloaded. Otherwise, the devices would have to run with the parameters transmitted via DIRECT CONTROL.

Monitor TEMPERATURE: Shows the current temperature on the thermostat.

POST COLUMN TEMP: Shows the current temperature on the post column cooler.

VALVE POSITION: Shows the current position of the valves.

COMPARTMENT DOOR: Shows if the door of the thermostat is closed or open.

EVENTS. Shows the status of the digital outputs. A red display indicates ON and a red display indicates OFF.

Direct Control SET TEMPERATURE CONTROL: With this button, the temperature control for the thermostat can be switched On or Off. The name of the button indicates what happens if the button is clicked. If the button shows Off, switch off the temperature control with a mouse-click and vice versa. Consequently, the status of the temperature control is the opposite of what the button reads.

TEMPERATURE [°C]: The desired temperature can be entered and sent to the device by pressing the SET button.

POST COLUMN TEMP. [°C]: The desired temperature can be entered and sent to the device by pressing the Set button.

LEFT VALVE POSITION/RIGHT VALVE POSITION: The valve position can be changed. If the option Column Switching Option has been activated in the configuration dialog, only the position of the left valve can be changed. The right valve automatically switches its position to the position of the left valve. By clicking SET, the input is sent to the device.

...: Shows the GLP data of the columns. The columns have to have a KNAUER RFID chip and have to be connected to the thermostat accordingly.

>: Allows entering the Column Storage Conditions (max. 19 characters) and a user name (max. 11 characters). The columns have to have a KNAUER RFID chip and have to be connected to the thermostat accordingly.

Please note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be reloaded. Otherwise, the devices would have to run with the parameters transmitted via DIRECT CONTROL.

Device Monitor - KNAUER Switching Valves

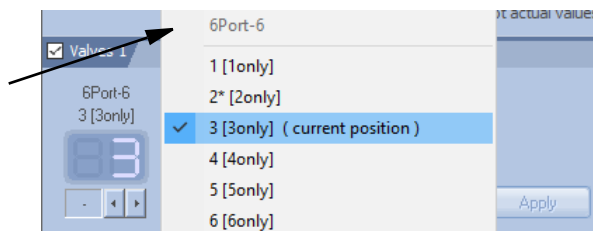



Fig. 183 Device Monitor for KNAUER switching valves

On top the valve name and the position name (both named in configuration) is shown. If an event has been activated for the position, it is represented by a * (VU 4.1 only).

The actual position for each valve is displayed in the Position row. To change this, you can enter the positions directly or select the positions with the  button. The choices depend on the configured valve. The BLANK (-) space means that the valve will not change its position after clicking the APPLY button. If you make a left mouse click on the valve position, a menu will open to select the desired position directly. If for any reason the communication to a valve is interrupted, the corresponding field for the valve position is grayed and no position number will be shown.

Please note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be reloaded. Otherwise, the devices would have to run with the parameters transmitted via DIRECT CONTROL.

Device Monitor - fraction collectors

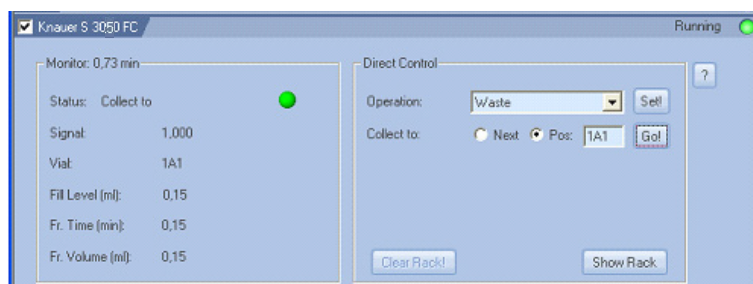





Fig. 184 Device monitor for the FC 3050

The status and as far as occurring the kind of error is displayed in the headline of the instrument field. The monitor is divided in two sections, the monitoring and the DIRECT CONTROL area. The appearance of the window may slightly depend on the type of fraction collector in use.

Monitor STATUS: The actual operation is displayed. It is additionally indicated by the LED color (waste ? gray , fraction ? green , or solvent recycling ? blue )

SIGNAL: The actual value of the controlling detector channel is displayed.

VIAL: The actual fraction vial number is displayed.

FILL LEVEL: The filling level of the actual vial is shown in ml. It may differ from the fraction volume if consecutive runs are collected to the same vial positions.

FR. TIME: The collection time for the actual fraction is displayed.

FR. VOLUME: The collected volume of the actual fraction is displayed.

DIRECT CONTROL: In the direct control mode some operations or selections are possible:

OPERATION: The operation which shall be performed can be selected from the drop-down list. The choices are: WASTE and SOLVENT RECYCLING. Clicking the SET! button starts the selected operation.

COLLECT TO: The operation fraction collection can be initiated here. The next free vial can be selected with NEXT or a vial position can be defined with POS: as the destination to where to collect to. The collection starts by clicking on the GO! button.

Pressing the question mark '?' Plug the cable plug button opens a window with general device information.



Note: The actual operation Collect, Recycling or Waste depends on the last click on either the Set! or Go!. button.

All operations started in the direct control mode are performed unconditioned as timed events. For consecutive conditioned runs the values for level, slope and the expected interval will not be stored.

CLEAR RACK: Click the CLEAR RACK button to clear the occupied positions in the rack.



Note: Clear Rack will delete all information of collected fraction from the rack. Make sure that all vials have been emptied to prevent, that they will be overfilled or different fractions will be mixed in a vial.

SHOW RACK: Click the SHOW RACK button to display the rack.

The type of rack displayed corresponds to the configured one. The shape of the rack view for the Multi valve fraction collector also depends on the configured valves. If different valves are combined the graphical separation may not be shown. The number of displayed positions also may succeed the

actual existing number of collection positions, due to the rectangular arrangement.

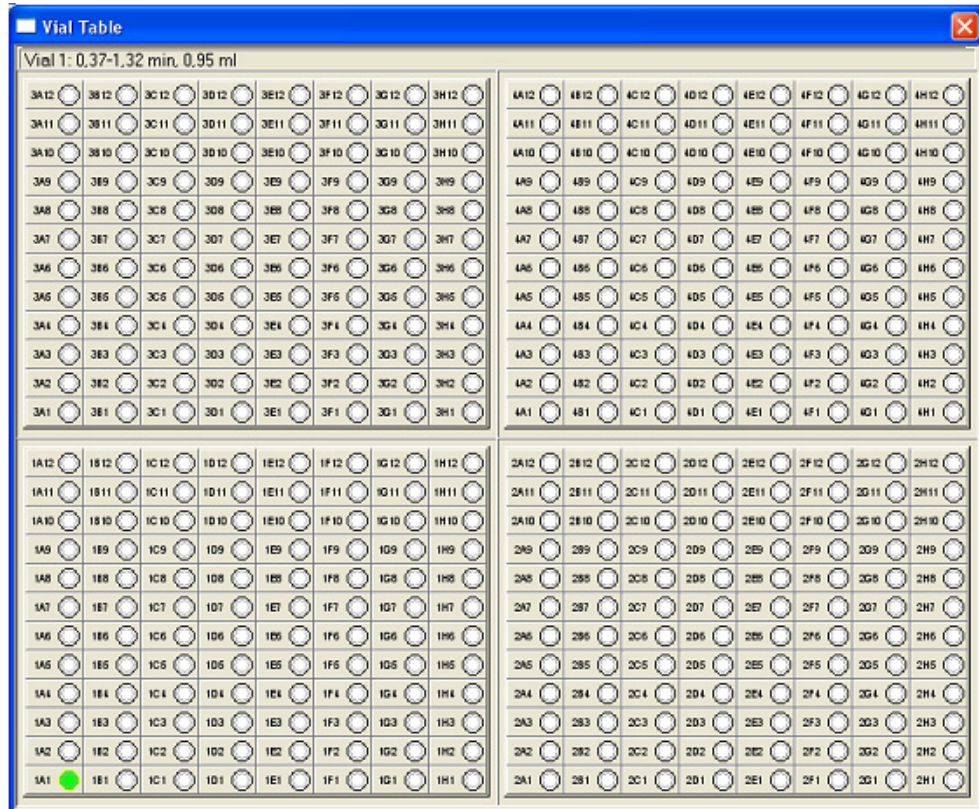


Fig. 185 Fraction Collector vial table



Note: In case of MultiValve Fraction Collector the shown vial position may not be correct, due to the rectangular arrangement.

All already used vials will appear highlighted green. Moving the cursor across the rack will change the upper descriptive line. The vial number, the start and the end of the collection and the collected volume are displayed.

If only one fraction is collected on this position, the following is displayed: VIAL 1: 0.37-1.32 MIN, 0.95 ML is displayed while the time is not displayed during a cumulative collection into a vial and the volume equals the cumulative value. VIAL 1: 1.24 ML [MULTIPLE FRACTIONS].

A mouse double-click on a vial during a run will force collection of the eluate into that vial (Direct Control operation). Mouse double-click on the vial where the fraction is being collected during a run will force the eluate to be directed to waste.

Mouse double-click with pressed control (<Ctrl>) key on a vial with a collected fraction when it is not running will force the corresponding chromatogram to be opened.

Note that prior to starting a run (Single Acquisition), the method has to be loaded again. Otherwise the devices would run with the parameters sent by the DIRECT CONTROL.

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