

# pE-340<sup>fura</sup>

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Ratiometric Calcium Imaging

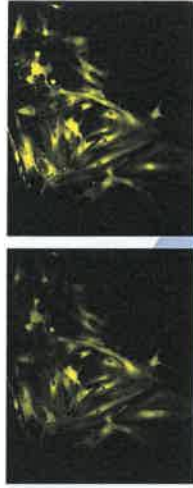
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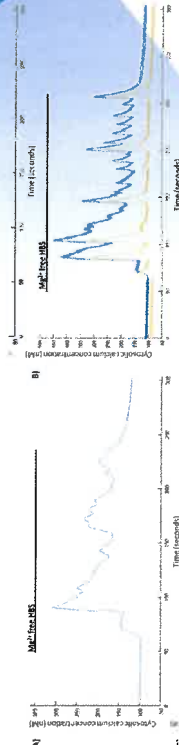
# pE-340fura LED Illumination for Fura-2

Utilising the highly successful pE-300 Series platform, the pE-340<sup>lms</sup> is a bespoke LED Illuminator for Fura-2 ratiometric calcium imaging, which also supports everyday fluorescence microscopy in a compact and affordable package. The 340nm & 380nm LED Illumination System, provides the optimum excitation wavelengths for Fura-2-based calcium imaging allowing high-precision, stable, high-throughput imaging with video-rate time resolution.



The image shows a field of cardiac myocytes. These cells, the rats were loaded with Fura-2 using standard conditions (i.e. incubation with 2,5-dimethyl Fura-2 acetoxyethyl ester for 30 minutes, followed by an additional 20 minutes for de-aerobation). Images obtained by Martin Boorman and his research group at the Health and Chemical Sciences, The Open University.

Until recently, the response time of illumination systems used for Fura-2 imaging have been limited to milliseconds due to mechanical switching of the wavelengths in arc lamp and monochromator systems. However the new pE-340<sup>lms</sup> can be controlled via convenient BNC TTL connections for precise illumination control in as little as 20 micro seconds.



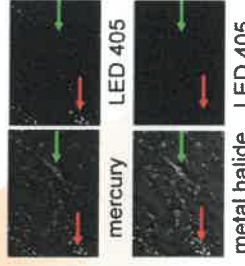
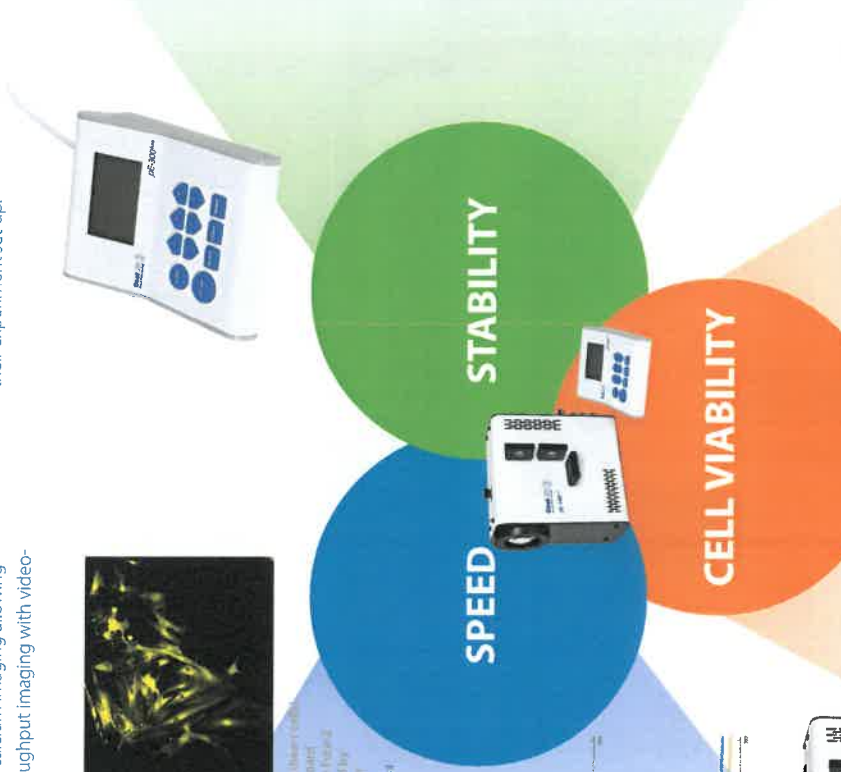
Synaptically-driven Ca<sup>2+</sup> events captured at a rate of A) 0.5 Hz in one neuron and B) 24.33 Hz in two neurons

TINNING, P. W., FRANSSEN, A. J. P. M., HIRDI, S. U., BUSHELL, T. J. and MCCONNELL, G. (2017). A 340/380 nm light-emitting diode illuminator for Fura-2 AM ratiometric Ca<sup>2+</sup> imaging of live cells with better than 5 nM precision. *Journal of Microscopy*, doi:10.1111/jmi.12616

We have harnessed our expertise with LEDs to ensure the internal optics within the pE-340<sup>lms</sup> are optimised to transmit 340nm. The pE-340<sup>lms</sup> is also configurable to accept a particular UV compatible 3mm liquid light guide, which will ensure high transmission of the 340nm wavelength. An optional pE-340<sup>lms</sup> Universal Collimator is available if required.



The manual control pod offers instant on/off operation with 0-100% intensity control in 1% steps. It allows you to independently control the intensity of each wavelength so stains can be viewed in isolation or in combination. The user can colour balance the wavelengths to optimise their experiment set up.



Using the new pE-340<sup>lms</sup> LED illumination system, less Fura-2 dye can be loaded into the cells whilst still maintaining the same measured calcium concentration and good signal-to-noise ratio. The reduction in required dye not only improves cell-viability due to reduced dye toxicity, but also results in a cost reduction per experiment.

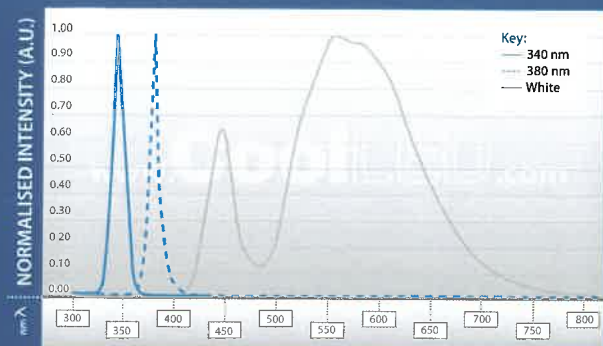
High levels of autofluorescence and fast photobleaching of specific fluorescence when illuminating Obots with metal halide

Press 5 at (2016) Choice of Illumination System & Fluorophore for Multiple Immunofluorescence on ITC Tissue Sections. *PLoS ONE* 11(9): e0162419. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0162419

Features	Benefits
Dedicated 340nm & 380nm outputs	Required for Fura-2 ratiometric calcium imaging
Broad white output (435nm-655nm)	Compatible imaging also possible with fluorophores including GFP, FITC, Texas Red, mCherry, Cy5 and Ankyrin
Microsecond switching (340, 380)	High temporal resolution
Stability of LED illumination	Reduction in noise levels of the light source to a noise below that of the wider spectrum, reducing laser noise and increasing overall precision/accuracy of the Fura-2 dye is now the limiting factor
Higher signal-to-noise	Gives clearer images and data whilst requiring less Fura-2 dye reducing toxicity and costs
UV optimized optics	Maximum power delivery on standard microscope configurations
Simple to fit and use	No alignment - one only adjustment
Direct or light guide delivery options	Flexibility of UV optimized attachment options
Individual channel intensity control (0-100%)	Offers ability to colour balance to optimise experiment set up
Individual channel selection	Control the level of excitation of each stain independently on a multi stained sample
Compatible with most imaging software	Integrated control with your imaging set up (use after live)
Individual channel bypassing (TTL microsecond)	Fast remote control operation
Removable ultra-fiber holders	No moving parts
Sequence number	Facility to run through a sequence of excitation channels using equipment with only a single TTL out

## Specification

### Performance:



## Control & Interface

Manual:	Manual control pod
Remote:	Via global and individual channel TTL
Connectivity:	Remote via USB (B type) for imaging software control

## Power

Power Requirements:	100-240VAC, 50.60Hz, 1.4A
Power Consumption:	Standby Max 2W
	1 band (White) at 100% intensity Max 24W
	2 bands (340 + White) at 100% intensity Max 30W
	3 bands (All) at 100% intensity Max 36W

## Dimensions

Light Source:	77mm (w) x 186mm (d) x 162mm (h) Weight 1.40kg
Control Pod:	88mm (w) x 125mm (d) x 37mm (h) Weight 0.32kg
Power Supply:	167mm (w) x 67mm (d) x 35mm (h) Weight 0.62kg

## To Order

pE-340-FR-D-YYY-ZZ:	pE-340 <sup>ltra</sup> Illumination System. Direct Fit. Includes Light Source, Control Pod, set of three Excitation Filter Holders (25mm dia.) Power Supply, YYY Adaptor & ZZ Plug
pE-340-FR-L-ZZ:	pE-340 <sup>ltra</sup> Illumination System. For use with 3mm UV Liquid Light Guide. Includes Light Source, Control Pod, set of three Excitation Filter Holders (25mm dia.) Power Supply & ZZ Plug
pE-1910	3m long, 3mm diameter liquid light guide for use with pE-340 <sup>ltra</sup>
pE-340-FR-COLL-YYY	pE-340 <sup>ltra</sup> Universal Collimator & customer specified adaptor

To specify microscope adaptor (YYY), see Adaptors (<http://www.cooled.com/product-detail/adaptors-2/>)  
To specify local power cable (ZZ): 10 = Australia, 20 = Europe, 30 = UK, 40 = USA

Warranty:	System = 24 months extendable by free product registration LEDs = 36 months (NB 340nm LED warranted for 3000 hours accumulated use)
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## Environment & Safety

- LED products are more sustainable and energy efficient than conventional illuminators. CoolLED's products have the following benefits:
- Mercury-free
- Energy Efficient: 80% less power
- Long lifetime (25,000 operating hours)
- No bulb replacements
- Reduced risk of eye damage
- Quiet operation
- No special disposal regulations or issues



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