

# Mini Plate Spinner - MPS 1000™

# User Manual



C1000 C1000-100V C1000-230V

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#### **General Information:**

Labnet's MPS-1000 Mini Plate Spinner is designed for quick spins of samples in PCR plates. Primarily designed for use with 96 or 384 well plates and small volumes, it will accommodate skirted, nonskirted and semi skirted styles. With the use of the adapter you may spin half plate, 8 or 12 x 0.2µl strips, and individual PCR tubes.

No de-contamination is required for the equipment.

Before using any cleaning or decontamination methods except those recommended by the manufacturer, check with the manufacturer that the proposed method will not damage the equipment.

### Installation:

The MPS-1000 Mini Plate Spinner should be placed on a clean, flat surface with sufficient space around it for ventilation. Be sure that both the bench and the unit's rubber feet are clean. Plug the power cord into the back of the unit and the wall socket. Turn the power switch (on the back of the unit) to the "ON" position.

# Operation:

To avoid spillage of samples, only plates that have been heat or tape sealed should be placed in the centrifuge. Plates are loaded into the rotor in a vertical position. Lift the clear centrifuge cover to gain access to the rotor (press the "OPEN" button to release the lid if it is locked down). Using the knob on the top of the unit, turn the rotor until the rotor slot lines up with the opening. Carefully, slide the first plate into position so that the sealed side faces the center of the rotor and the bottom of the plate faces out. Be sure that the plate is pushed all the way down into the slot. Line up the second slot like the first, using the knob on the top of the unit. Load the second plate in the same manner as the first, making sure that it is all the way down in the rotor slot. If spinning only one plate, it is extremely important to load a dummy plate of the same brand, style and sample volumes (water can be used) as a balance.

To begin a run, close the lid of the centrifuge. The centrifuge will quickly ramp up to speed. Allow the unit to run for 15 - 30 seconds. This is sufficient time to spin the samples down to the bottoms of the wells. To stop, press the "OPEN" button. Once the rotor has stopped, fully open the lid to gain access to your samples. To remove the plates, turn the knob on the top of the unit until the rotor slot lines up with the opening.





Proper loading of a PCR plate

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Note: A slight vibration may be felt when the centrifuge reaches full speed. Excessive vibration indicates that the rotor is not balanced. DO NOT run the certrifuge unbalanced. Always use a balance plate of the same brand, type and sample volumes.

#### Cleaning:

The outside of the centrifuge may be wiped down with a clean, soft cloth. The rotor slots may be cleaned with a sponge. Do not pour liquids in or over the centrifuge Do not immerse the centrifuge in liquid.

# **Safety Precautions:**

**NEVER** use the centrifuge in any manner not specified in these instructions. **NEVER** put hands in the rotor area unless the rotor is completely stopped.

**NEVER** move the centrifuge while the rotor is spinning.

**NEVER** use solvents or flammables near this or other electrical equipment.

**NEVER** centrifuge flammable, explosive or corrosive materials

**NEVER** centrifuge hazardous materials outside of a hood or proper containment

facility

**NEVER** continue to operate a centrifuge that is vibrating excessively.

**ALWAYS** load the rotor symmetrically. Each plate should be counterbalanced by

another plate of the same brand, type and volume.

**ALWAYS** use plates that have been sealed in some manner to avoid spillage.

**ALWAYS** load plates so that the sealed side faces the center of the rotor and the bottom of the plate faces out.

**ALWAYS** be sure the plates are pushed all the way to the bottom of the rotor slot before operating the centrifuge.

**ALWAYS** locate the centrifuge within easy access to an electrical outlet.

# **WARNING!**:

This unit is intended for short run usage only, requiring 15-20 seconds to spin down samples. Inadvertent continuous use could cause sample temperature to rise and the thermal switch to open, which will shut down the motor

#### Questions and Service:

Should you have a question about the operation of the MPS-1000 Mini Plate Spinner Centrifuge or if the centrifuge should require service, contact your distributor **Braintree Scientific**. Do not send in a unit for service without first callint to obtain a repair authorization number. Should the centrifuge require return to Labnet for service, it should be properly packed to avail damage. Any damage resulting from improper packaging shall be the responsibility of the user.

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## **Specifications:**

Capacity ......2 PCR plates

Dimensions ...........7.5 x 8.2 x 7.2 in/19 x 21 x 18.3 cm

Electrical ...... 100,120 or 230V, 50/60 Hz

Max Speed ...... 2,500rpm Max RCF ..... 500 x g

Electrical ......100V ~50/60 Hz, 0.6 A (Fuse 1.0 AT)

...... 120V ~50/60 Hz, 0.6 A (Fuse 1.0 AT) 

### **Appendix**

# Symbols and Conventions

The following chart is an illustrated glossary of the symbols that may be used in this manual or on the product.



The electrical warning indicates the presence of a potential hazard which could result in electrical shock.



**CAUTION** This symbol refers you to important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions within the product Instruction Manual. Failure to heed this information may present a risk of damage or injury to persons or equipment.



This symbol identifies a Protective Earth (PE) terminal, which is provided for connection of the supply system's protective earth (green or green/yellow) conductor.

#### **EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL**

This equipment is marked with the crossed out wheeled bin symbol to indicate that this equipment must not be disposed of with unsorted waste.

Instead it's your responsibility to correctly dispose of your equipment at lifecycle-end by handing it over to an authorized facility for separate collection and recycling. It's also you responsibility to decontaminate the equipment in case of biological, chemical and/or radiological

contamination, so as to protect from health hazards the persons involved in the disposal and recycling of the equipment.

For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment, please contact your local dealer from whom you originally purchased this equipment.

By doing so, you will help to conserve natural and environmental resources and you will ensure that your equipment is recycled in a manner that protects human health.

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