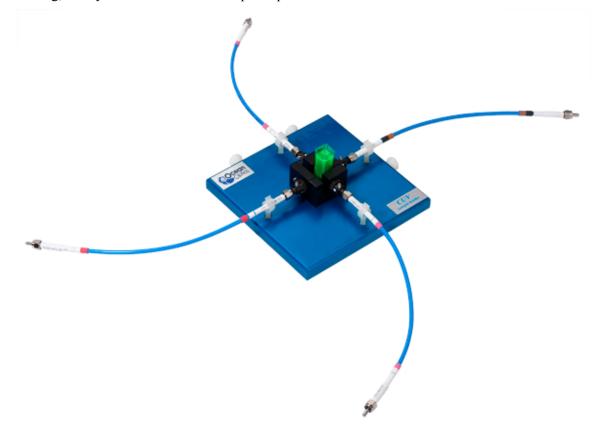
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# CUV-ALL 4-Way Cuvette Holder Installation Instructions

The CUV-ALL 4-way cuvette holder for 1-cm path length cuvettes has four collimating lenses that couple to optical fibers, light sources, and spectrometers to measure absorbance, fluorescence, scattering, or any combination of these optical phenomena.



### **Parts Included**

- □ CUV-ALL assembly for holding 1-cm cuvettes
- □ Black cover for eliminating ambient light
- □ Two barbed fittings for connecting a temperature stabilizing water source
- □ Screwdriver for adjusting the fit of the cuvette
- □ Allen wrench for adjusting the collimating lenses



## Installation

Follow the installation instructions that correspond to your type of measurement.

### **Attaching Fibers for Absorbance Measurements**

### For UV Measurements

#### Procedure

- 1. Attach one end of a SMA-terminated optical fiber to one of the collimating lenses with the UV label and a red lens cap.
- 2. Attach the other end of this fiber (the illumination fiber) to a UV light source.
- 3. Attach another SMA-terminated optical fiber to a collimating lens directly opposite of the first fiber. This fiber also has a red lens cap.
- 4. Attach the other end of this fiber to the spectrometer.

### **For VIS Measurements**

#### ► Procedure

- 1. Attach one end of a SMA-terminated optical fiber to one of the collimating lenses with the VIS label and a black lens cap.
- 2. Attach the other end of this fiber (the illumination fiber) to a light source.
- 3. Attach another SMA-terminated optical fiber to a collimating lens directly opposite of the first fiber. This fiber also has a black lens cap.
- 4. Attach the other end of this fiber to the spectrometer.

### **Attaching Fibers for Fluorescence Measurements**

#### Procedure

- 1. Attach one end of a SMA-terminated optical fiber to one of the collimating lenses with the UV label and a red lens cap.
- 2. Attach the other end of this fiber to a light source or an excitation source. Typically for fluorescence measurements, the illumination fiber connects to a UV lens.
- 3. Attach another SMA-terminated optical fiber to the collimating lens immediately to the left or right of the first fiber. The two collimators must be positioned at a 90° angle for fluorescence measurements.
- 4. Attach the other end of this fiber to the spectrometer. Typically for fluorescence measurements, the read fiber connects to a VIS lens.



### Installing the Fiber Supports

#### ► Procedure

- 1. Snap the clamps around the fibers after the fibers are screwed into the light source and spectrometer.
- 2. Lift the clamps until they support the fibers.
- 3. Unsnap the clamps to remove the fibers.

### Adjusting the Fit of the Cuvette

The CUV-ALL is preset for use with a 1-cm quartz cuvette. When properly adjusted, the cuvette should fit snugly in the holder.

#### ► Procedure

- 1. Locate the two ball plunger screws. They are under two of the four collimating lenses.
- 2. Remove the fiber clamps for easier access to the screws.
- 3. Use the provided screwdriver to loosen the two ball plunger screws until the ball end of the screws is just visible in the cell holder.
- 4. Insert your cuvette into the holder.
- 5. Tighten the ball plunger screws until the ball contacts the cuvette and starts to compress. Do not over tighten.

### **Installing Filters**

#### Procedure

- 1. Loosen the filter clamping screw with the provided screwdriver.
- 2. Insert the filter into the filter slot. The filter slot can accommodate filters up to 6 mm thick.
- 3. Clamp the filter in place by gently tightening the clamping screw finger tight.

### **Using the Temperature Stabilization Feature**

This feature is used to heat or cool the cuvette holder base and cuvette.

#### ► Procedure

- 1. Remove the two plugs from the top side of the base. (The plug on the right side of the base should stay in place but might require thread tape.)
- 2. Replace the plugs with the two barbed fittings (or any 1/8" NPT pipe thread fittings). Thread tape might be required on the fittings.
- 3. Connect the fittings to a water source. Water will circulate through the base.



# **Specifications**

Specification	Value
Path length	1 cm
Collimating lenses (VIS-NIR)	BK 7 glass (~360 nm – 2 $\mu m^*),$ 5 mm diameter, f/2
Collimating lenses (UV-VIS-NIR)	Dynasil 1100 quartz (200 nm-2 μm), 5 mm diameter, f/2
Collimating lens termination	SMA 905
Fluorescence option	Position 2 collimators at 90°
Filter slot	accepts filters up to ¼" (6 mm) in thickness
Base material	aluminum
Water input fittings	1/8" NPT pipe thread
* Though the VIS-NIR lens is optimized for use to 2 μm, it can be configured to "see" only to 1100 nm with an Ocean Optics spectrometer.	