# BioSpa™ 8 Automated Incubator

BioSpa 8 is an automated incubator linking BioTek readers or imagers together with washers and dispensers for full workflow automation of up to 8 microplates. Real time control and continuous temperature,  $\rm CO_2/O_2$  and humidity level monitoring, along with lid handling ensure an ideal environment for cell cultures during all experiment stages, with minimal manual intervention.

BioSpa's software, which features customizable text or email notifications and alerts, also relieves the need for onsite monitoring. The software's session timelines and environmental reports allow quick scrutiny of the process and system status. BioSpa 8 automates assay workflows by repeated manipulation and storage of microplates containing live cells or temperature sensitive reagents. Link one washer or dispenser, one plate reader or imager, or one of each for start-to-finish workflow automation. BioSpa 8 is ideal for efficient automation of short or long-term cell based and other temperature, gas and humidity sensitive processes.



BioSpa 8 transfers microplates from its incubator to Cytation™ Cell Imaging Multi-Mode Reader.



### Features:

- Full unattended workflow automation integrating sample prep with detection/imaging for up to 8 plates
- Real time temperature and CO<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> control and monitoring, with humidity monitoring alleviates common problems associated with assay failure
- Continuous recording of environment conditions and customized notifications allow detailed assay monitoring and analysis
- Compact system integration fits in biosafety cabinet, providing the ultimate cell assay protection
- Uncomplicated software and simple integration for rapid implementation with a short learning curve



## **Typical Applications:**

- Automated live cell assays (liquid handling and/or imaging)
- Multiple assays (e.g. ELISA and live cell assays run in parallel)
- Automated kinetic measurements on multiple microplates in parallel
- Automation of overnight, or over-the-weekend processes
- ELISA automation (wash, dispense, read), all steps except for initial sample dispensing

# Configurations:

BIOSPA Automated incubator with 8-plate capacity, incubation to

45 °C, with control and monitoring.

Includes BioSpa software and one alignment kit.

BIOSPAG Automated incubator with 8-plate capacity, incubation to 45 °C and  $CO_2/O_2$  control and monitoring, water pan and

humidity monitoring.

Includes BioSpa software and one alignment kit.

See Web site or price list for complete configuration listings and descriptions.



Defining assay steps in BioSpa software.



Plate assignment, session details and timeline.



BioSpa 8 integrates with BioTek's microplate washers, dispensers, imagers, and readers for a fully automated assay workstation.



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# Specifications:

## General

Microplate types: 6- to 1536-well standard height microplates, with or without

lids.

Other labware

supported: Cell culture dishes (60 mm and 35 mm), T25 flasks

Plate capacity: Up to 8 microplates (or other labware)

Air filter: User-replaceable HEPA filter

Plate handler: Robotic arm moves plate to and from BioSpa 8 and

connected instrument; handles de-lidding and re-lidding

plates.

Compatible BioTek

instruments:

Cytation 5, Cytation 3, Synergy Neo2, Synergy H1, Epoch 2

EL406, 405 TS, 405 LS, MultiFlo FX, MultiFlo

Interfacing capacity: 1 or 2 devices: Reader/imager only, washer/dispenser

only, or both

## **Temperature Control**

Range: To 45 °C Control resolution: 0.1 °C

Uniformity: ±0.5 °C at 37 °C

## CO, Control

Range: 0-20%Control resolution:  $\pm 0.1\%$ Stability:  $\pm 0.2$  at 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

## O<sub>2</sub> Control

Range: 1-19%Control resolution:  $\pm 0.1\%$ Stability:  $\pm 0.2$  at 1% O<sub>2</sub>

#### Humidity

rH: 80 to 95% (lidded plates and 5% CO<sub>2</sub>)

Source: Removable water pan Water level sensor: Low water level alert

## Software

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Incubator Software: Provides programming interface for BioTek detection and

liquid handling devices

Allows user notification (text or email) of events and/or

errors in the system

Provides control, monitoring and logging of:

- CO<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub>

- Temperature

Provides humidity level monitoring and logging Allows long-term uninterrupted runs up to 2 weeks

#### Physical Characteristics

Dimensions: With standard base pan extension:

29.5" L x 22" W x 19" H (75 cm x 55 cm x 48 cm)

With fluidics base pan extension:

39" L x 22" W x 19" H (99 cm x 55 cm x 48 cm)

Weight: <85 lbs (39 kg) (without shipping components and an

empty water pan)

#### Regulatory

CE and TUV marked, RoHS compliant.

Performance specification values represent the average observed factory test values.

Specifications subject to change.