

Thermo shaker PHMP/ PHMP-4

Operating instructions

*For versions
V.5GW (PHMP)
V.3GW (PHMP-4)*



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1. Safety

The following symbols mean:



Caution! Make sure you have fully read and understood the present manual before using the equipment. Please pay special attention to sections marked by this symbol.



Caution! Surfaces can become hot during use.

GENERAL SAFETY

- ☞ Use only as specified in the operating manual provided.
- ☞ The unit should not be used if dropped or damaged.
- ☞ The unit must be stored and transported in a horizontal position (see package label).
- ☞ After transportation or storage keep the unit at room temperature for 2–3 hrs before connecting it to the electric circuit.
- ☞ Use only cleaning and decontamination methods recommended by the manufacturer.
- ☞ Do not make modifications to the design of the unit.

ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- ☞ Connect only to the external power supply unit with voltage corresponding to that on the serial number label.
- ☞ Use only the external power supply unit provided with this product.
- ☞ Ensure that the switch and external power supply unit are easily accessible during use.
- ☞ Do not plug the unit into an ungrounded power socket, and do not use an ungrounded extension lead.
- ☞ Disconnect the unit from the electric circuit before moving.

- ☞ Disconnect the external power supply unit from power socket to turn off the unit.
- ☞ If liquid penetrates into the unit, disconnect it from the external power supply unit and have it checked by a repair and maintenance technician.
- ☞ Do not operate the unit in premises where condensation can form. Operating conditions of the unit are defined in the Specifications section.

DURING OPERATION

- ☞ Do not leave the operating unit unattended.
- ☞ Do not impede the platform motion.
- ☞ Do not operate the unit in environments with aggressive or explosive chemical mixtures. Please contact manufacturer for possible operation of the unit in specific atmospheres.
- ☞ Do not operate the unit if it is faulty or has been installed incorrectly.
- ☞ Do not use outside laboratory rooms.
- ☞ Do not check the temperature by touch. Use a thermometer.

BIOLOGICAL SAFETY

- ☞ It is the user's responsibility to carry out appropriate decontamination if hazardous material is spilt on or penetrates into the equipment.

2. General Information

The **Thermo shaker PHMP / PHMP-4** is designed for shaking 1 to 4 standard 96-well plates in the thermal regulation mode.

The Thermo shaker was designed using the multi-system principle, which allows using it as three independent devices:

- 1) incubator for lasting incubation of micro quantities (insect, plant cell cultures, etc.) in plates;
- 2) plate shaker for operation in the cold room or other conditions, which do not require temperature stabilization;
- 3) microplate thermo-Shaker for immunochemistry and molecular diagnostics, where the requirements to the result reproducibility and thus to the precise method regulation are particularly high.

The **Thermo shaker PHMP / PHMP-4** provides:

- soft or intensive sample shaking;
- rotation speed regulation, stabilization and indication;
- even shaking amplitude throughout Shaker-Thermostat platform;
- required operation time setting and indication;
- automatic stopping of the platform movement after the set time expires;
- current operation time indication;
- setting and indication of the required temperature.

The device can be used in:

cytochemistry for in situ reactions;
immunochemistry for immunofermentative reactions;
biochemistry for enzyme and protein analysis;
molecular biology for matrix analysis, DNA and RNA analyses.

The maximum guaranteed number of diagnostic cycles in the Thermo Shaker mode, which require 15-30 min work in one cycle, is 7000-14000 times.

External 12V power supply unit is used to power the device. It makes it safe to work in the cold room, where condensation may cause leakage current from electric circuit.

3. Getting started

3.1 Unpacking

Remove packing materials carefully and retain them for future shipment or storage of the unit. Examine the unit carefully for any damage incurred during transit. The warranty does not cover in-transit damage.

3.2 Thermo-Shaker set includes:

- Thermo Shaker PHMP/PHMP-41 piece
- Spare rubber drive belt.....2 pieces
- External power supply unit.....1 piece
- Operating instructions; Declaration of Conformity1 copy

3.3 Set up

Place the unit onto an even horizontal non-flammable surface away from any flammable materials (not less than 30 cm);

Remove protective film from the display;

Plug the external power supply unit into the socket at the rear side of the PHMP and position the unit so that there is easy access to the power switch and the external power supply unit.

4. Operation of PHMP / PHMP-4

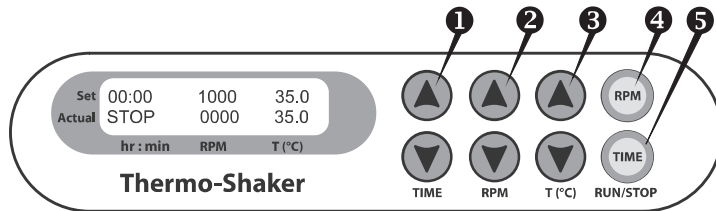


Fig. 1 Control panel

4.1 Connect the external power supply unit to a grounded power socket and set the power switch located on the rear panel of the unit to position I ("ON").

4.2 The display will turn on with the upper line (Set) showing time, speed and temperature set earlier and the lower line (Actual) showing current readings of the same parameters (thermoblock temperature °C, which automatically starts rising according to the temperature set in the upper line). The time of temperature stabilisation depends on the initial temperature.

Setting the parameters

Use the readings in the upper line of the display (Set), while setting the necessary parameters.

Setting time (TIME)

4.3 Using the ▲ and ▼ keys (Fig. 1/①) set the required working time interval in hours and minutes (increment - 1 min). Pressing the key for more than 3 s will increase the increment.

Setting speed (RPM)

4.4 Using the ▲ and ▼ keys (Fig. 1/②) set the required speed (increment 10 RPM). Pressing the key for more than 3 s will increase the increment.

Setting temperature (T, °C)

4.5 Using the ▲ and ▼ keys (Fig. 1/③) set the necessary temperature (increment 0.1°C). Pressing the key for more than 3 s will increase the increment.

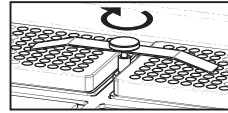
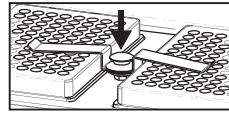
⚠ Caution! The platform heating can be turned off only by setting the required temperature below 25°C (the display will show OFF – T, °C – set point). It can be used in cold rooms as a mixing device without thermal regulation in this mode.

While the platform is not shaking (STOP indication on the display), press **Time RUN/STOP** key and hold for 8s to enter lid temperature mode (LID indication on the display). Press **RPM RUN/STOP** key to exit the mode.

Program execution

After the thermal stabilisation of the unit (when the set and current temperature readings become the same)

4.6 Microplate fixation:



PHMP: Place microplates on the platform and fix it with the special push-down clip by pressing it against the plate covers.

PHMP-4: Unscrew the fixation screws. Place microplates on the platform and fix them by tightening the fixation screws.

Caution! For model PHMP: Load only pairs of microplates for best fixing.



Caution! For model PHMP-4: The microplate fixation screws must always be tightened to avoid damage. Tighten the fixation screws completely when microplates are removed from or placed on the platform. Do not close the lid if the microplate fixation screws are not tightened to avoid damage.

4.7 Press the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key (Fig. 1/⊕). The platform will start rotating and the timer indicator will start counting up the time interval (with 1 min precision).

4.8 After finishing the program the platform motion will stop and the timer will show the flashing reading STOP accompanied by the repetitive sound signal until the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key is pressed.

4.9 If the working time is not set (or is reset) and the timer indicator in the upper line shows 00:00, pressing the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key will start continuous operation of the Thermo-shaker (timer indicator will start counting up the time interval in the lower line (Actual)) until the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key is pressed again.

Please note! The platform temperature will be constantly maintained in accordance with the set temperature. This allows the device to be used again without pre-heating.

4.10 The timer can be reset during operation if required. Press the **TIME-RUN/STOP** key once (Fig. 1/⊕) to stop the timer. Press the **TIME-RUN/STOP** key again to restart the timer.

4.11 The platform motion can be stopped at any time by pressing the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key. In this case the program realisation runs and the platform motion will stop and the timer will switch into the STOP mode saving previously set time. Press the **RPM-RUN/STOP** key to repeat the operation with the same time and speed.

Caution! At the end of the set time period the platform movement is stopped automatically, but the heating can be stopped only by reducing the temperature using the **▼ T(°C)** key (Fig. 1/⊕ lower key) till the OFF sign appears in the upper part of the display.

4.12 After finishing the operation set the power switch, located on the rear panel of the unit, in position O (Off) and disconnect the external power supply from electric circuit.

5. Specifications

The unit is designed for operation in cold rooms, incubators and closed laboratory rooms at ambient temperature from +4°C to +40°C in a non-condensing atmosphere and maximum relative humidity 80% for temperatures up to 31°C decreasing linearly to 50% relative humidity at 40°C.

5.1. Temperature specifications

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| Setting range | +25°C ... +60°C |
| Control range | .5°C above room t° to +60°C |
| Setting resolution | 0,1°C |
| Stability | ±0.1°C |
| Accuracy | ±0.5°C |
| Uniformity at +37°C | ±0.25°C |
| Time of block heating from +25°C to +37°C | 12 min |

5.2. General specifications

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| Speed setting range | 250–1200 rpm |
| Speed setting resolution | 10 rpm |
| Orbit..... | 2 mm |
| Display | 16x2 signs, LCD |
| Digital time setting range | 1 min – 96 hrs / non-stop |
| Max. continuous operation time | 96 hours (recommended interval between operation sessions not less than 8 hours) |
| Time setting resolution..... | 1 min |
| Max. height of microtest plate | 18 mm |
| External power supply | input AC 100–240 V 50/60 Hz, output DC 12 V |

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| Current/power consumption | 12 V DC, 3,3 A / 40 W | 12 V DC, 4,15 A / 50 W |
| Number of microplates | 2 | 4 |
| Platform dimensions | 250 x 150 mm | 210 x 290 mm |
| Dimensions | 270x260x125 mm | 380x390x140 mm |
| Weight* | 6.1 kg | 8.8 kg |

* Accurate within ±10%.

Grant is committed to a continuous programme of improvement and reserves the right to alter design and specifications of the equipment without additional notice.

6. Guarantee and Service

6.1 Guarantee

When used in laboratory conditions and according to these working instructions, this product is guaranteed for TWO YEARS against faulty materials or workmanship. For full Details of the Grant Bio Warranty policy please contact Grant Instruments.

6.2 Service

For service, return for repair to our Service Department in the UK or, in other countries, to our distributor.

6.2.1 Replacing Drive belt

For the maintenance of reliable operation of the device Grant recommends to replace the rubber belts after 1.5 years or 2000 hours of operation time.

1. Disconnect the external power supply unit from the device.

2. Remove 4 fixation screws on the device base and remove the bottom plate.

3. Replace the rubber drive belt (fig. 2).

4. Re-assemble the device.

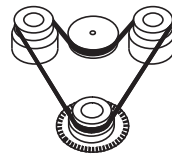


Fig. 2 Drive belt

6.2.2 Spare parts:

- Rubber drive belt (122x6x0,6 mm);
- External power supply unit (part no. 18020)
input AC 100–240 V, 50–60 Hz; output DC 12 V.

6.3 Cleaning & disinfection

Standard ethanol (75%) or other cleaning agents recommended for cleaning of laboratory equipment can be used for cleaning and disinfection of the unit.

6.4. Error codes.


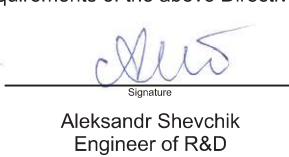


Following error codes are show in the lower right corner of the display (fig. 1), accompanied by a sound signal every 8 s. Press **RPM RUN/STOP** key to turn off the signal. Please contact our Service Department in the UK or, in other countries, our distributor.

| Error code | Description |
|------------|-------------------------------|
| ERR 1 | Lower plate heat sensor error |
| ERR 2 | Upper lid heat sensor error |
| ERR 3 | PCB plate error |
| ERR 4 | PCB plate error |
| ERR 5 | Upper lid heating error |
| ERR 6 | Upper lid overheating |

Declaration of Conformity

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|---------------------------|--|
| Equipment name: | PHMP / PHMP-4 |
| Type of equipment: | Plate Shaker-Thermostat |
| Directive: | EMC Directive 2014/30/EC Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EC RoHS 2011/65/EC WEEE 2002/96/EC & 2012/19/EU |
| Manufacturer: | BIOSAN SIA Ratsupites 7, build.2, Riga, LV-1067, Latvia |
| Applied Standards: | EN 61326-1: Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use EMC requirements. General requirements EN 61010-1: Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use. General requirements EN 61010-2-010: Particular requirements for laboratory equipment for the heating of materials EN 61010-2-051: Particular requirements for laboratory equipment for mixing and stirring |

We declare that this product conforms to the requirements of the above Directive(s)

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