



BD Accuri™ C6 Flow Cytometer

Technical Specifications

The BD Accuri™ C6 flow cytometer is easy to use, simple to maintain, and affordable.

Small and easily transportable, the BD Accuri C6 cytometer measures 11 x 14.75 x 16.5 in. (27.9 x 37.5 x 41.9 cm) (H x W x D) and weighs just 30 pounds (13.6 kg). It is small enough to easily fit on a benchtop, and can be placed in a laminar flow hood.

The system is equipped with a blue laser and a red laser, two scatter detectors, and four fluorescence detectors with interference filters optimized for the detection of FITC, PE, PerCP-Cy™5.5, and APC. A compact optical design, fixed alignment, and pre-optimized detector settings make the system easier to use.

A unique low-pressure pumping system drives the fluidics. A sheath-focused core enables event rates of up to 10,000 events per second and a sample concentration over 5×10^6 cells per mL. The optional BD CSampler™ accessory streamlines sample processing with reliable and easy-to-use automation.

BD Accuri™ C6 software has an intuitive user interface designed with the researcher in mind. The tabbed interface provides quick access to the collection, analysis, and statistics functions. Analysis can be performed on the BD Accuri C6 cytometer or can be exported into third-party programs such as FCS Express™.

Optics

Laser Excitation

488 nm (rated at 20,000-h life)

640 nm (rated at 20,000-h life)

Laser Profile

10 x 75 μm

Light Scatter Detection

Forward (0° , $\pm 13^\circ$)

Side (90° , $\pm 13^\circ$)

Emission Detection

4 colors, user-changeable optical filters

Standard set installed:

- FL1 533/30 nm (eg, FITC/GFP)
- FL2 585/40 nm (eg, PE/PI)
- FL3 > 670 nm (eg, PerCP, PerCP-Cy5.5, PE-CyTM7)
- FL4 675/25 nm (eg, APC)

Optical Alignment

Fixed alignment

Fluidics

Flow Cell

200 μm ID quartz capillary

Minimum Detectable Particle Size

0.5 μm

Minimum Sample Volume

50 μL

Pre-Set Flow Rates and Core Sizes

Slow : 14 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$, 10- μm core

Medium: 35 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$, 16- μm core

Fast: 66 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$, 22- μm core

Custom Sample Flow Rates

10–100 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

Custom Core Diameter

5–40 μm

Recommended Sheath Fluid

0.2- μm filtered DI water

Maximum Events Per Sample

1 million events per well

Performance

Fluorescence Sensitivity, MESF*

FITC < 150 ; PE < 100

Scatter Resolution

Resolves human peripheral blood lymphocytes, monocytes, and granulocytes

Fluorescence Linearity

$2 \pm 0.05\%$ for chicken erythrocyte nuclei (CEN)

Fluorescence Precision

$< 3\%$ CV for CEN

Data Acquisition Rate

10,000 events/second, maximum

Data Management

BD Accuri C6 Software Minimum Requirements

32-bit Windows® XP or later
(The BD Accuri C6 is not compatible with 64-bit)

Minimum screen resolution 1280x1024

2 GB RAM

5 GB of free hard disk space

Workstation Minimum Specifications

Small form chassis

6 USB 2.0 Ports

1 External SATA RMSD Bay

Intel® HD Graphics 2000

180-W Energy Star efficient internal power supply

Memory and Processor

4 GB RAM (Non-ECC, 1,333 MHz DDR3 RAM, 2x2 GB)

Core™ i3 2100 3.1-GHz processor

Hard Drive and Data Storage Options

250-GB or greater hard drive, 8-MB data burst cache

8x DVD reader

Monitor

LCD flat panel 19"

4 USB 2.0 ports (for peripheral devices)

Peripheral Devices

USB Entry Keyboard

USB Optical Mouse

Networking

Ethernet LAN 10/100/1000

Operating System

Windows® 7 Professional
(English, factory installed)

Installation Requirements

Power Requirements

100–240 VAC, 50/60 Hz

Typical Power Consumption

154 VA

Heat Output

240 BTU/hour maximum output

Operating Ranges

15–30°C; <80% relative humidity

Instrument Size (H x W x D)

11 x 14.75 x 16.5 in.

(27.9 x 37.5 x 41.9 cm)

Footprint with Fluid Bottles (H x W x D)

11 x 21.5 x 16.5 in.

(27.9 x 54.6 x 41.9 cm)

Weight

30 lb (13.6 kg)

Fluid Bottle Capacity

2 L sheath fluid

2 L waste

250 mL cleaner

250 mL decontamination fluid

Signal Processing

24-bit datapath

Computer Interface

USB 2.0

Warranty

1 year

Options

BD CSampler Accessory

Power Requirements

No additional power necessary

Software Requirements

BD CSampler™ software

Compatible Plate Types

Standard 96-well (flat, round, and v-bottom) plates

Deep-well 96-well plates

48-well plates

12 x 75-mm tubes can also be accommodated using the supplied 24-tube rack.

Plates manufactured to the guidelines published by the American National Standards Institute, submitted by the Society for Biomolecular Screening, should be compatible with the BD CSampler.

Space Requirements

Minimum bench depth 28 in. (71 cm)

Minimum width (C6 with CSampler)

19.5 in. (49.5 cm)

Processing Time

<90 minutes for 96-well plate, utilizing 30-second acquisition time per well

Weight

7 lb (3.2 kg)

Minimum Sample Volume

50 µL for tubes or plates

Wash Cycle

Up to 3 wash cycles per well

Agitate Cycle

Up to 3 agitate cycles per well

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