

# HXS Hyperspectral X-ray Spectrometer







HXS-2
TWO CHANNELS
DIGITAL SPECTROMETER UNIT

## **Description**

**HXS** spectrometer is a **high-performance X-ray spectroscopic instrument** for X and  $\gamma$  rays detection based on Cadmium-Zinc-Telluride (CZT) semiconductor material. The system is designed for optimal X-ray spectroscopy at room temperature.

HXS system consists of a Digital Spectrometer Unit equipped with two or eight input channels and one or more detector units (up to eight), that combines a CZT semiconductor sensor with its relevant front-end electronics.

The HXS module sends the processed spectra to User's PC through an Ethernet interface and it is supplied with a dedicated software (HXSpectro-Panel).

With HXS spectrometer, anyone can rapidly obtain high quality X-ray and  $\gamma$ -ray spectra.

The HXS unit contains a real-time signal acquisition and processing system, based on a very high performance FPGA processor, capable of running elaboration algorithms for pulse height single-photon count measurements.

The **CdZnTe detector** is designed for achieving optimal energy resolution in the 5 keV- 2 MeV energy range. It can stand photon flux up to 1 MCps and works at room temperature (no cooling is needed).

The detector is designed to keep the CZT light-sensitive sensor in complete dark.

All the critical connections between the CZT sensor and preamplifier are checked and characterized to ensure reliable measurements.

The detector is equipped with a cable set with std lenght of 2 m and has the mating connector already installed, ready for plug-in

The HXS module is provided with power cables and signal coaxial cables.



#### Features and benefits

- High performance spectroscopic sensor
- Works at room temperature with no cooling needs
- Detection of X and γ rays
- Energy range 5 keV 2 MeV
- Photon flux up to 1 Mcps
- Absolute density and elemental material detection in real time
- DPP Unit can be equipped with up to 8 sensors channels.
- HXS is supplied with all interconnecting cables
- Plug and play design
- PC software included



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# **CZT Sensor theory of operation**

X-rays and  $\gamma$ -rays interact with CdZnTe atoms to create an average of one electron/hole pair for every 4.4 eV of energy deposited in the CdZnTe. By counting the total number of electron/hole pairs generated inside the CdZnTe sensor, it's possible to determine the energy of the incident

X or  $\gamma$  photon.In order to collect electron/hole pairs formed in the CZT sensor, a negative potential is applied to the cathode electrode. This voltage is kept constant during operation at room temperature, without any stability problem. Dark leakage current (electron/hole pairs generated in absence of radiation) has been minimized, thus permitting this high bias sensor polarization, which ensures fast detection. Proprietary design and construction know-how reduce the electronic noise and minimizes parasitic capacitance at the input.





MODEL	p/n
Spectrometer Unit 8 Channels	9250 HXS-8
Spectromer Unit 2 Channels	9250 HXS-2
Detector Unit with cable set 2m	9020.012

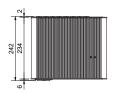
REAR VIEW of SPECTROMETER UNIT

DETECTOR UNIT with CABLE SET and CONNECTOR

#### Dimensions HXS-8 and HXS-2 unit:

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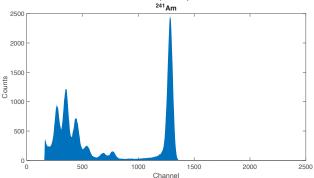




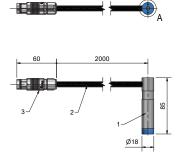


### Spectroscopic performance

We have designed this instrument in order to achieve optimal energy resolution in a wide range of energy and be compatible with high X-ray photon flux (up to 1 MCps total events on the sensor). See below <sup>241</sup>Am spectrum of radioactive low flux uncollimated source. FWHM is 4% for <sup>241</sup>Am 59.54 keV photopeak.



#### Dimensions Detector unit with cable:



#### Technical data

**Sensor material/type:** CdZnTe/ single pixel

Active area: $2 \times 2 \text{ mm}$ Crystal dim (total): $4 \times 4 \times 2.8 \text{ mm}$ Pixel dark current: $< 1 \text{ nA } (@ 25^{\circ}\text{C})$ Typical energy resolution: $< 4\% @ 59.54 \text{ keV } (^{241}\text{Am})$ 

CZT Detector unit size: diam. 18 mm x 85 mm. Std cable length 2 mt

 Detector efficiency:
 > 80% @122 keV 57Co

 HXS Unit size:
 mm 242 x 288 x 78 (h)

 Input power:
 V 230, +/-10% - 50/60 Hz

HXS Unit output: Ethernet port

Interface software: SpectrumPanel D2L (included)

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