# HeatPlate

**Operating Manual** 





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## 1. CONVENTIONS USED IN THIS MANUAL

Symbols used in this manual have the following meaning



**WARNING:** This signal word indicates a possibly imminent danger, which can result in slight to severe injuries or even death.



**CAUTION:** This signal word indicates a possibly imminent danger, which can result in slight to serious injuries.



**CAUTION:** Surface can be hot.



**Information of special interest:** All sections / passages that are marked with this symbol describe procedures and / or conditions that could damage or lead to a malfunction of the device. Therefore the user should pay particular attention.

## 2. SAFETY

The device is designed with safety in mind and no danger is known if the device is intact, installed and operated as described in the manual. Only use the device in the way as it is described in the intended use.

Independent investigations from TÜV services and CE certifications guarantee the highest security standards.

The most important prerequisites for use, operation, and safety are explained to ensure smooth operation. No warranty or liability claims will be covered if the instrument is used in ways other than those described or if the necessary prerequisites and safety measures are not observed.



The instrument may only be operated by persons who read the manual and following the safety instructions.

## **General safety notes**

**CAUTION:** Electrical shock



While connected to the power the electric parts in the device can give the user an electric shock.

- ▶ Do not open the device.
- ► Make sure that no liquids run into the device.
- ▶ Only use the delivered power supply or one that meets all electrical specifications.
- ▶ Use a mains outlet and if required an extension lead with grounding.

**CAUTION:** Risk of burning injuries



Parts of the device can reach temperatures (high or low) that can lead to burn injuries if touched.

- ► Wait until device reached room temperature before any personal interaction.
- ▶ Wear personal safety gear (gloves, clothing, glasses, ...) and ensure the device is operated in a designated environment with appropriate safety measurements.

## 3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

## 3.1 INTENDED USE

The HeatPlate is a heater thermoblockused for microplates, tubes and vials for lab automation purposes. It is intended to be used in a laboratory environment by trained laboratory employees. The device is not intended to be used in environments with an aggressive or explosive atmosphere. It is required that the user ensures that not such environment is created due to the usage of the device.

The device is designed to be a module in a laboratory automation system and it is expected that it is a part of a surrounding workflow or assay. It is required that the user qualifies the performance of the device in regard to his specific circumstances of implementation and demands.

## 3.2 FEATURES

#### INTEGRATION DONE RIGHT

The HeatPlate is optimized to seamlessly be integrated into automation platforms.

The simple and over all our devices standardized command set allows you to easily set and control process parameters and read out sensor values.

Through the integrated microelectronics no other external components or control devices are necessary. All units are designed for continuous 24 hour hands-free operation when utilizing sound scientific methods

Providing long term stable hard- and software interfaces and supporting industry standard like SiLA®, paves the way to a superior level of lab automation. Due to the outstanding integration support we are happy to call the leading providers for lab automation our partners.

## BEST IN CLASS FEATURE PERFORMANCE

Temperature controlled up to 99°C

Within the HeatPlate thin, large-area heating elements and sensors are integrated. The implemented control logic guarantees an optimal heat up process. The temperature can be set from ambient to 99°C in steps of 0.1°C and reaches a uniformity of temperature distribution better than ±0.5°C at 45°C across the heating surface.

## ADAPTABLE TO YOU NEEDS

Exchangeable adapters for a wide range of vial, tubes and microplates are available from stock. Perfect shaped adapters allow an optimal fit for standard tubes, lysis tubes, glass vials and other sample vessels. The **replacement of the adapters is straightforward**. Especially in applications with frequently changes of the sample container this feature provides unmatched benefits.

#### SECURE and STYLISH

The first-class finished, stylish aluminum housing gives the HeatPlate its essential functionality.

It sealed housing provides a high amount of security, device stability, protects mechanical and electronic components and therefor ensures a **long service-free lifetime**.

To prevent laboratory fires, all units feature an over temperature cir-

cuit which switches off if an over temperature situation occurs. Thermal damage to any unit is minimized or prevented, due to the fire resistant aluminum housing.

## **MADE IN GERMANY**

A perfectly harmonious blend of high-tech and handmade is what we strive for. "Made in Germany" has always been a recipe for success for QINSTRUMENTS. That is why 100% of QINSTRUMENTS development and production takes place in Germany.

The company focus is on human diligence combined with an environmental friendly approach to deliver outstanding constant high-quality products. For more than 20 years we have used only high-quality materials to ensure sustainable production, applied innovative thinking and undertaken research in a future-oriented way.

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## 3.3 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Description An adapter is required for optimal temperature transfer to and/or optimal fixation of lab-

ware and needs to be purchased separately. The adapter can be exchanged by the user.

Microplates All microplates according ANSI-SLAS format

4-, 6-, 8-, 12-, 24-, 48-, 96-, 384-, and 1536-well microplates, deep well plates, PCR plates

Tubes and Vials 0.2, 0.5, 1.5, 2.0 ml standard tubes | 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 ml cylindrical shaped vials

Others Custom made adapter on request

#### Temperature control

Temperature range\* RT to 99 °C (RT to 211.82 F) with 0.1 °C increment resolution

Temperature accuracy ± 0.1 °C

Temperature uniformity\* ±0.5 K at 45 °C | ±0.7 K at 75 °C | ±1.0 K at 95 °C

Heating speed above RT\* ~ 7 K/min (10 min from 21 to 95 °C)

#### **Device control**

Description Required electronic for remote control is build in the device. No external controller

required.

Operation control Remote controlled as described in the Integration Manual

Peripheral interface EIA-232 / RS-232 interface (2 m cable with RS-232 plug-in connector)

optional: USB via USB-Serial Adapters (Rec. DIGITUS DA-70156) or USB via MOXA USB-to-Serial Hub

Status LED in front (GREEN = ok | RED = error)

#### **Electrical**

Operating voltage 24 V DC | Imax: 4.5 A | Peff: 85 Watt | Pmax: 108 Watt

Power supply Input: 100 - 240 V AC | 50 - 60 Hz

Output: 24 V DC | Imax: 5.0 A | Pmax: 120 Watt

External power supply unit (CE/UL/CSA approved, 85-264 V AC, 47-63 Hz, IEC/EN60320-1 C14 | Degree of pro-

tection: IP20)

Power connection\* Prewired cable | length 2 m | barrel connector ID 2.5 mm x OD 5.5 mm

#### **General properties**

Housing material Aluminum anodized

Degree of protection IP20 (Protected against solid objects up to 12 mm |No protection against water)

Pollution degree 1 (no contamination or only dry, non-conductive contamination, whereby the contamination has no influence)

Airborne sound emission < 70 db (A)

st Value depends on the used thermo-adapter. Given value conditions: RT = 21 °C, Adapter = 2016-1041, 96-well PCR, adapter temperature

<sup>\*</sup> Only use the device with the delivered power cord. If another power cord is used ensure the wire diameter is adequate.

## Operating, transport and storage conditions

Operating range  $5 \,^{\circ}\text{C} - 45 \,^{\circ}\text{C} \, (41 - 113 \,^{\circ}\text{F}) \, | \, 10 - 80 \,^{\circ}\text{RH} \, | \, \text{up to 2000 m above sea level} \, | \, \text{non-condensing}$ 

Floor base requirements stable (resonance free) | horizontal | dry | inside buildings | even | well ventilated and no

direct exp. to sunlight

Transportation and storage  $-10 \,^{\circ}\text{C} - 60 \,^{\circ}\text{C} \, (14 - 140 \, \text{F}) \, | \, 10 - 80 \,^{\circ}\text{RH} \, | \, \text{non-condensing}$ 

## Dimension and weight

Dimensions (W x D x H) 142 x 99 x 62.7 mm | 5.59 x 3.9 x 2.47 inch

Weight 1.3 kg | 2.87 lbs

Packaging size (W x D x H) 347 x 252 x 131 mm | 13.66 x 9.92 x 5.16 inch | cardboard box

Packaging weight 3 kg | 6.61 lbs

## Drawing

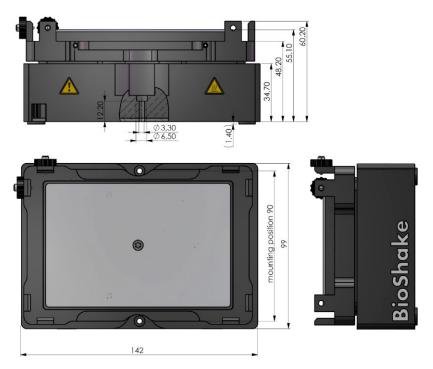


Figure 1 Technical drawing of device



Technical specifications are subject to change.

## **3.4 DELIVERY PARTS**



Figure 2 Image showing the delivery parts

Part 1	HeatPlate <sup>*</sup>
	incl. 2 m, 24 V DC, prewired cable
	incl. 2 m, RS-232, prewired cable
	* Flat bottom adapter is not part of the delivery and needs to be purchased separately
Part 2	External power supply 24 V DC, 120 W
	(CE/UL/CSA approved, 85-264 VAC, 47-63 Hz, IEC/EN60320-1 C14)
Part 3	Power cords Europe & US
	(IEC/EN 60320-1 C13)
Part 4	2x screws to mount device
	(M3 x 18   DIN 912)
Add. parts	Calibration certificate, Operating Manual, Integration Manual

## 3.5 DEVICE DESCRIPTION

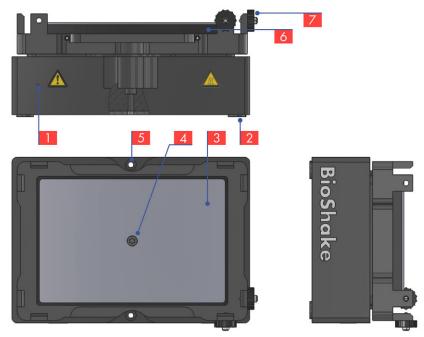


Figure 3 Device image which highlights important device elements

- Status LED The LED visualizes the operating status. Further information: "Error handling" on page 15
- 2 4x Adhesive pad Reduce transfer of device vibrations. Depending on your integration approach they might be removed.
- 3 Heating and adapter mounting area Further information: "Installation" on page 11, "Heating" on page 14,
- 4 M3 Thread to mount adapters
  Further information on adapter installation: "Installation" on page 11
- 5 2x Position to mount device Further information on device installation: "Installation" on page 11
- 6 Thermal insulation frame
- 7 2x Spring plunger for MTP fixation Further information: "Clamping" on page 13

## 3.6 MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

The device is maintenance-free for standard use purposes.

Cleaning should be done with a wet but not soaked cloth using a mild soap solution and water or an alcohol-based disinfectant in the following steps:

• Disconnect the power cord

**CAUTION:** Ignition



While connected to the power the electric parts could have a malfunction that could lead to an ignition when a inflammatory cleaning solution is used.

- ▶ Disconnect the power cord
- ▶ Do not use inflammable cleaning solution if not required
- If applicable, wait until the heading area/adapter is cooled down.

**CAUTION:** Surface can be hot



If the device was used right before maintenance, surfaces of the device could be hot which could lead to severe burns if not cautious.

- ► Make sure that the temperature at the contact surface is below +40 °C.
- When cleaning the device make sure no liquid enters the device.

**CAUTION:** Electronic malfunction



Cleaning solution that enters the device can damage the device electronics and lead to an electronic malfunction.

- ▶ Use a wet cloth
- Make sure all surfaces are dry before continue to use the device
- Connect device to power

If you have any questions about cleaning please contact your distributor or directly QINSTRUMENTS. Should it become necessary to repair the equipment, it should be returned to an authorized servicing agent. The equipment must be clean and free from harmful substances. Always ship the shaker well-packed, preferably in the original shipping container in order to avoid damages.

## 4. INSTALLATION

## **4.1 DEVICE**

Unpack and carefully check the instrument. Report any damage or missing items to your distributor. The device should be mounted on a:

- horizontal, even surface
- well ventilated location and with no direct exposure to sunlight to assure stable heating

All QInstrument devices are mounted with two screws that are part of the delivery package (2x M3 x 18 | DIN 912). The mounting point positions are the same for all devices. They have a distance of 90 mm and are on the plane that goes through the center of the mounting area.

Plug in the RS-232 into a free port of your computer. Use an USB to RS-232 converter (for example Digitus DA-70156) if required. Connect the DC cable of the device with the external power supply and plug the power cable into the wall socket.

The instrument will do a self test and the LED will turn green when the device is ready and free of errors. Now the instrument is ready to accept commands.

## **4.2 ADAPTER**

All adapters for all automation devices are mounted in the same way and use the same interface.



If the security cover plate or an adapter plate is already mounted, please remove it first!



Heavier blocks may limit the heating speed. See chapter and "Heating" on page 14 for more details.

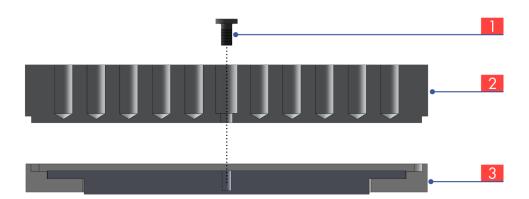


Figure 4 Illustration of adapter installation

## Step Instruction

1 Switch OFF the power supply of the instrument.



Wait until the adapter has cooled down, if applicable.

- 2 Remove all sample carries (tubes, vials, microplates etc.)
- 3 Loosen (rotate left) the middle torx screw [1] by using the supplied screwdriver (Torx size 8) and take off the current mounted adapter plate straight up and put it on a clean, soft surface.
- 4 Ensure the mounting area on the device and the downside of the adapter [2] are clean and particle free.
- Insert the new adapter plate straight into the impression of the mounting area [3] and check if the adapter reached a fixed horizontal position.
- 6 Fix the middle torx screw using clockwise rotation



Tightening torque: 0.6 Nm Maximum screw-in depth: 4 mm

- Ready to apply the proper sample carriers (tubes, vials, microplates etc.). Only use the fitting carriers to ensure a tight fit.
- 8 Turn on the power supply of the instrument.

## **5. OPERATION**

## **5.1 INTRODUCTION**

In the next chapters the available operations that the device is designed to execute are described. It is intended to give the user an understanding of some underlying principles and is therefore advised to be read before using the device. With the information the user should be able to reasonably evaluate how to optimally use the device and if the device is used in its given specifications.



It is required to test the device under the specific circumstances of implementation and assay demands to ensure that the expected outcome and performance is meet.

All details regarding device commands, calibration operations and error codes are available in the **Integration Manual**.

#### **5.2 CLAMPING**

With the use of the two spring plungers a MTP can be fixated on the shaker. Depending on the given circumstances each corner of the device can be used to do so.



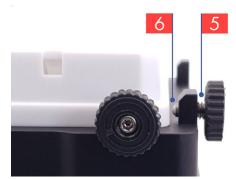
It is required to initially check if the spring plungers are adjusted correctly. If not they need to be readjusted.

If the spring plungers are adjusted soundly the ball heat of the spring plunger does touch the MTP but is not fully retracted, so the spring is operated in its range. If any other condition is observed it is required to adjust the setting.

## Step Instruction

- Get tools and insert spring plungers in the chosen corner of the device, using the delivered Allen key.
  - [1] Allen Key
  - [2] 2x Spring plunger
  - [3] 2x Knurled nut
  - [4] Threaded screw holes
- 2 Insert spring plunger but stop before touching the microplate. [6]
  - Turn the knurled nuts [3] by hand a few times onto the spring plunger but stop before touching the device. [5]





Step	Instruction
3	Turn the spring plunger until the ball is retracted completely

Turn the spring plunger counterclockwise for 45-90° to loosen the grip. The ball tip of the spring plunger should still be in contact with the microplate

Turn the knurled nuts by hand clockwise, until it sits tight







## **5.3 HEATING**

#### Introduction

The heating feature of the device is used heat up the sample to a defined temperature. To reach the desired temperature reliable the following information should be used. Please be aware that the given explanations are a simplification to get a rough understanding of the subject. The actual physics and measurements behind temperature spreading and transmission in materials and over gaps, the impact of environment factors and so on are much more complex and far beyond the scope of this text.

It is important to understand that the set temperature, is the temperature the heating area [3] will reach. In most cases the set temperature will be higher than the adapter temperature [2] and the adapter temperature will be higher than the sample temperature [1]. As the sample temperature is the relevant temperature for the user it is important to know this offset, so the temperature of the heating area can be set accordingly.

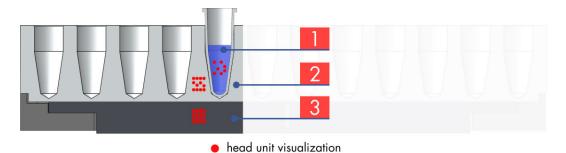


Figure 5 Visualization of heat reduction that takes place going from the heating area to the sample volume

Furthermore the user should be aware of the time that is required to heat up the adapter and subsequently the sample. Again it is important to realize that the temperature that is reported from the device is the temperature of the heating area and not the sample.



Because the impact of all parameters can not be estimated it is recommended to directly or indirectly (process result) determine if the sample temperature is correct.



The efficiency to heat up the sample can/should be increased if the sample is mixed while heating.

## **Influencing factors**

The following parameters are considered to be the main factors that are influencing the offset and required time to head up the sample. Normally the impact on the factors are proportional. Meaning a higher offset will also lead to an increased head up time and vice versa.

Parameter	Notes
Adapter	The taller the adapter the bigger the offset will be. Also the shape of the adapter is important as it defines how well the it is able to maximize the contact surface to the vessel. The more contact surface the better the heat transfer will be.
Temperature	The higher the target temperature is the bigger the thermal radiation of the adapter will be. This will lead to an increased offset.
Sample/ Vessel	The amount of sample, the vessel material, shape and if the Vessel is closed or open has an impact.

## **5.4 ERROR HANDLING**

To provide process stability and prevent the unit from damages smart sensors for monitoring and controlling operating parameters are integrated.

Intelligent algorithms continuously track power, voltage and current from all modules and actuators, as well as a range of statistical indicators to detect suboptimal performance or events that require intervention or maintenance.

In case a failure is detected a corresponding error code will be written to the internal error list. The list can be read out to help specify the error and find the root cause.



Details on how to read out the error list and further description on error codes is available in the **Integration Manual**.

To improve the functional testing during installation and visualizing the operating status, all QINSTRUMENTS devices are equipped with a smart LED. This indication light allows a quick function test and error control. It has a green, yellow, blue or red status.

Device Status	LED color
Boot process after switching on or reset	RED
Failure-free operation	GREEN
Error detected	RED

## 6. ACCESSORIES

## **6.1 ADAPTER**

QINSTRUMENTS offers high precision adapter plates with a perfect fit and optimal thermal performance for all kinds of tubes, vials, microplates, and other different disposables, from stock.

We are also offering to produce custom made adapters, that exactly meet the specifications of your sample container. You will receive your **custom shaped adapter** plate within short period.



Only use the original accessories recommended by QINSTRUMENTS. QINSTRUMENTS does not honor any warranty or accept any responsibility for damage resulting from using 3rd party accessories.

Order no.	Description
Thermo adap	ter for micro well plates & PCR plates
2016-1021	Adapter for micro well plate . Flat bottom standard . e.g. Nunc® #269620, Greiner® #781101
2016-1022	Adapter for micro well plate . Flat bottom High Base . e.g. Greiner® HiBase #78407x, 78410
2016-1024	Adapter for micro well plate . Flat bottom Low Base . e.g. Aurora® storage plate, Alere ArrayStrip®
2016-1032	Adapter for micro well plate . 96 well round bottom . e.g. Greiner®, NUNC®, Matrix® plates
2016-1041	Adapter for PCR Plate . 96 well . e.g. Eppendorf twin.tec® #0030-128.672
2016-1051	Adapter for PCR Plate . 384 well . e.g. Eppendorf twin.tec® #0030-128.532
Thermo adap	ter for deep well plates & storage plates
2016-1121	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . Eppendorf® 96/1000 μl . #0030-503.209
2016-1131	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . Eppendorf® 96/500 μl . #0030-501.101
2016-1141	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . BRAND® 96/1100 $\mu$ l U-bottom . #701350
2016-1151	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . NUNC® 96/2000 μl . #278743, 278752
	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . Axygen® 96/2.0 ml round bottom . #P-DW-20-C
2016-1161	Adapter for Deep Well Plate . Axygen® 96/0.6 ml V-bottom . #P-DW-500-C
2016-1171	Adapter for Storage Plate . Abgene® 96/2.2 ml MARK II square well . #AB-09032
2016-1172	Adapter for Storage Plate . Abgene® 96/0.8 ml round well . #AB-0765, AB-0859
	Adapter for Storage Plate . HJ-Bioanalytik® 96/1.2 ml riplate low profile . #750289
2016-1181	Adapter for Mega Block . Sarstedt® Megablock 96/2.2 ml . #82.1972.002
2016-1201	Adapter for Storage Plate . Corning $96/320~\mu l$ V-bottom . #3342, 3347, 3357, 3363, 3894-3898
2016-1211	Adapter for Masterblock . Greiner® 96/1.0 ml U-bottom . #78020x, 78026x
Thermo adap	ter for deep well plates & storage plates
2016-1061	Adapter for tubes . 24x 2.0 ml or 15x 0.5 ml
2016-1062	Adapter for tubes . 24x 1.5 ml or 15x 0.5 ml
2016-1063	Adapter for tubes . 40x 0.5 ml or 28x 0.2 ml

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2016-1062	Adapter for tubes . 24x 1.5 ml or 15x 0.5 ml
2016-1063	Adapter for tubes . 40x 0.5 ml or 28x 0.2 ml
2016-1064	Adapter for tubes . 96x 0.2 ml
2016-1067	Adapter for lysis tubes . 35x 0.5-2.0 ml, Ø 10.2 mm
2016-1093	Adapter for FALCON® tubes . 4x 50 ml or 2x 15 ml $$
2016-1094	Adapter for FALCON® tubes . 12x 15 ml
2016-1069	Adapter for glass vials . 35x 2.0 ml, $\emptyset$ 10.8 mm
2016-1071	Adapter for glass vials . 35x 2.0 ml, $\emptyset$ 12 mm
2016-1072	Adapter for glass vials . 20x 4.0 ml, $\emptyset$ 15 mm
2016-1073	Adapter for glass vials . 20x 4.0 ml, $\emptyset$ 17 mm
2016-1074	Adapter for glass vials . 20x 6.0 ml . Ø 19 mm



Figure 6 Example images of adapters

## **6.2 HARDWARE / SOFTWARE**

Order no.	Description
2016-0200	SILA Driver for BioShake . compliant and approved driver . according SILA standard
2016-9120	USB/RS232 Converter – Digitus DA-70156 USB serial adapter USB 2.0
2016-0071	Moxa 4-port - Connects 1-4 BioShake serial devices via USB-Port to a PC
2016-0072	Moxa 8-port - Connects 1-8 BioShake serial devices via USB-Port to a PC
2016-0073	Moxa 16-port - Connects 1-16 BioShake serial devices via USB-Port to a PC

## 7. TEST SOFTWARE

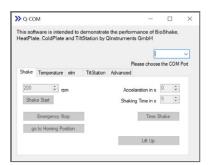
## 7.1 QCOM 1

QCOM1 is a simple test tool for Windows to start using the shaker in moments and to exercise all shaker features. Plug in the RS232 cable from the single BioShake module into a free port of your computer. If it's necessary, please use a USB/RS232 converter.



Download is available at

https://www.qinstruments.com/service/downloads/



## 7.2 QCOM 2

QCOM2 is a small test software with a graphical user interface (GUI) to control lab automation instruments from QINSTRUMENTS, eg. BioShake, ColdPlate, HeatPlate.

The main purpose of QCOM2 is to get easy access to the unit to execute initial testing.





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https://www.qinstruments.com/service/downloads/

To start the program, execute QCOM2.exe. By default, the program scans through the available COM ports and detects if a supported QINSTRUMENTS device is connected to that port. The first valid device that is found is used, the scanning process is stopped, and the program starts using the identified device. Device features will be detected at start-up, and the GUI will be adapted to the following features: mixing, ELM, temperature control.



Figure 7 Image of QCOM2 GUI



For more details on how to use the software, please refer to the manual that is part of the QCOM2 download.

## 8. WARRANTY

QINSTRUMENTS warrants products manufactured by it to be free from defects in material or work-manship under normal use and service for a period of 2 years from date of shipment.

This warranty is specifically limited to the replacement or repair of any such warrantable defects, without charge, when the complete product is returned to QINSTRUMENTS, freight prepaid, at the address shown above. Contact the factory at the address above for a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number before returning the product.

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Please use the online form for registration of your appliance and service:

www.ginstruments.com/service/



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## 9. EUROPEAN DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

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WO2008135565, US8323588, EP2144716: Sample handling device for and methods of handling a sample

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WO2013113847, US10052598, EP2809436: Cog-based mechanism for generating an orbital shaking motion

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