

BioVIS

Real-Time Total Cell Density & Biomass Monitoring Probe



Assemble
the BioVIS
in your
reactors

Sterilize
and
calibrate
the probes

Track and
control
cell growth
kinetics

Accelerate
your
bioprocess

BioVIS is an in situ optical biomass probe using light reflectance to provide real-time monitoring of total cell density in bioreactors.

BioVIS enables continuous tracking, logging, and control of culture growth kinetics, supporting deeper process understanding and robust bioprocess development.

Highlights:

- ✓ Proprietary light reflectance technology
- ✓ Reduce manual sampling needs
- ✓ Simplify measurement workflows
- ✓ Direct in situ analysis
- ✓ No sampling or dilutions required
- ✓ Minimize contamination risks
- ✓ Preserve valuable culture media



BioVIS Features and Benefits

BioVIS is a compact, portable optical density probe for real-time, non-invasive monitoring of cell density and biomass, significantly reducing manual sampling.

BioVIS is widely used across bioprocessing workflows, such as batch, fed-batch, and continuous (chemostat or turbidostat) fermentations to streamline operations, improve data quality, and accelerate decision-making.

It integrates seamlessly with our [BioXplorer parallel bioreactor platform](#) and is compatible with a wide range of other major bioreactor brands.

- ✓ Continuous monitoring and logging of total cell density
- ✓ Compact, portable, single-unit platform
- ✓ Multiple probe lengths available for vessels of varying sizes
- ✓ Plug and Play design compatible with a wide range of bioreactors
- ✓ Supports additional temperature and pH monitoring functions

[BioXplorer 100](#)



Technical Specifications

Specification point	Comment
Probe length	As required by size of bioreactor
Diameter (minimum)	1/8 inch (3.18 mm)
Optical path length	0 to 5 mm
Process connection	1/4" UNF
Operating temperature range	0 to 150 °C
Steam sterilisable	Yes, max temperature 200 °C
Autoclavable	Yes
CIP	No
Pressure range	0 to 10 bar
Measuring principle	NIR
Light Source	LED
Wavelength	880 nm (other WL available)
Communication	Analog Output 4-20 mA or 0-10 V
Multiplex Option	Yes, number depends on requirements
Support of major bioreactors brands	Yes

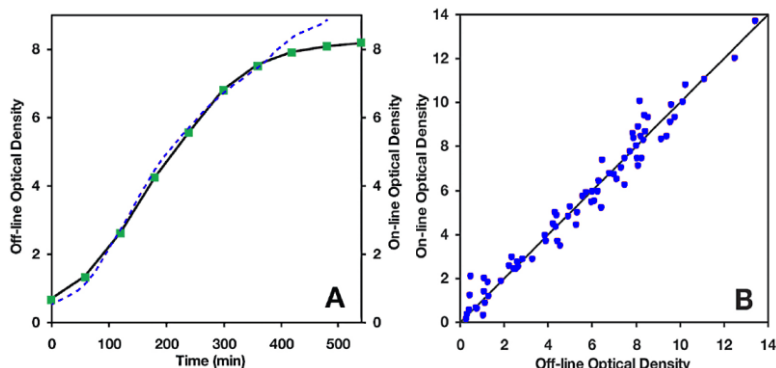
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Accurate, Reproducible Biomass Measurements

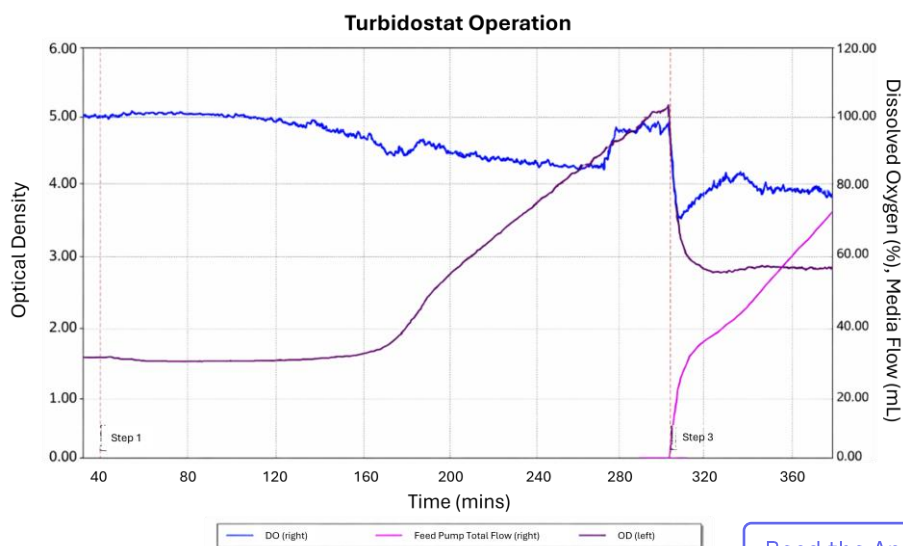


Demonstrated batch-to-batch reproducibility across parallel reactors.

(A) Comparison of online and offline growth profiles.

(B) Eight independent *E. coli* fermentations conducted in a [BioXplorer 100](#) (100 mL) showing highly reproducible behavior.

BioVIS in Action



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A BioXplorer 100 was configured to operate as a turbidostat using the [BioVIS](#). The graph shows how the *E. coli* culture behavior is controlled automatically through [BioVIS](#)-based biomass regulation. Upon reaching the OD setpoint, the system initiates dilution (~300 min), increasing feed pump flow and adding fresh medium until the OD stabilizes at the defined target. The [BioVIS](#) probe enables control of a steady-state metabolic response under continuous growth conditions, supporting reproducible operation with minimal manual intervention.

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- A system upgrade
- Support on your processes
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