PCS Instruments

LEADERS IN TRIBOLOGY TEST EQUIPMENT

EHD2 Ultra Thin Film Measurement System

A fully automated bench top, computer controlled instrument for film thickness measurements of lubricants in the elastohydrodynamic (EHD) lubricating regime.

- Measures lubricant film thickness properties in the contact formed between a ¾" (19.05mm) diameter steel ball and a rotating glass disc using optical interferometry
- Film thickness down to 1nm with a precision of +/- 1 nm
- Traction coefficients can be measured at any slide/roll ratio from pure rolling up to 100%.

Applications

- Contact pressures and shear rates in this contact are similar to those found in gears, rolling element bearings and cams
- Evaluation of film forming and frictional properties of oils and greases
- Fuel economy prediction of candidate crankcase oils
- Performance prediction of oil in water emulsion rolling mill lubricants
- Fundamental investigations of the high pressure/high shear behaviour of fluids such as liquid crystals





Specifications

- Film Thickness
- Load
- Contact Pressure
- Speeds
- Temperature Range
- Test Sample Volume
- 1 to 1000 nm 0 to 50 N 0 to 0.7 GPa, up to 3 GPa (WC on sapphire) 0 to 4 m/s Ambient to 150°C 120 ml





Additive-free 100 solvent neutral base oil



Spherical Roller and Carriage



Base oil with 10% wt of a VI Improver