

# Axygen Plate Centrifuge



## Instruction Manual



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**General Information:**

Axygen's Plate Centrifuge is designed for quick spins of samples in PCR plates. Primarily designed for use with 96 or 384 well plates and small volumes, it will accommodate skirted, non skirted and semi skirted styles.

**Installation:**

The Axygen Plate Centrifuge should be placed on a clean, flat surface with sufficient space around it for ventilation. Be sure that both the bench and the unit's rubber feet are clean. Plug the power cord into the back of the unit and the wall socket. Turn the power switch (on the back of the unit) to the "ON" position.

**Operation:**

To avoid spillage of samples, only plates that have been heat or tape sealed should be placed in the centrifuge. Plates are loaded into the rotor in a vertical position. Lift the clear centrifuge cover to gain access to the rotor (press the "OPEN" button to release the lid if it is locked down). Using the knob on the top of the unit, turn the rotor until the rotor slot lines up with the opening. Carefully, slide the first plate into position so that the sealed side faces the center of the rotor and the bottom of the plate faces out. Be sure that the plate is pushed all the way down into the slot. Line up the second slot like the first, using the knob on the top of the unit. Load the second plate in the same manner as the first making sure that it is all the way down in the rotor slot. If spinning only one plate, it is extremely important to load a dummy plate of the same brand, style and sample volumes (water can be used ) as a balance.

To begin a run, close the lid of the centrifuge. The centrifuge will quickly ramp up to speed. Allow the unit to run for 15 – 20 seconds. This is sufficient time to spin the samples down to the bottoms of the wells. To stop, press the "OPEN" button. Once the rotor has stopped, fully open the lid to gain access to your samples. To remove the plates, turn the knob on the top of the unit until the rotor slot lines up with the opening.



Proper loading of a PCR Plate

Note: A slight vibration may be felt when the centrifuge reaches full speed. Excessive vibration indicates that the rotor is not balanced. DO NOT run the centrifuge unbalanced. Always use a balance plate of the same brand, type and sample volumes.

### **Cleaning:**

The outside housing of the centrifuge may be wiped down with a clean, soft cloth. The rotor slots may be cleaned with a sponge. Do not pour liquids in or over the centrifuge. Do not immerse the centrifuge in liquid.

### **Safety Precautions:**

- NEVER** use the centrifuge in any manner not specified in these instructions.
- NEVER** put hands in the rotor area unless the rotor is completely stopped.
- NEVER** move the centrifuge while the rotor is spinning.
- NEVER** use solvents or flammables near this or other electrical equipment.
- NEVER** centrifuge flammable, explosive or corrosive materials
- NEVER** centrifuge hazardous materials outside of a hood or proper containment facility
- NEVER** continue to operate a centrifuge that is vibrating excessively.
- ALWAYS** load the rotor symmetrically. Each plate should be counterbalanced by another plate of the same brand, type and volume.
- ALWAYS** use plates that have been sealed in some manner to avoid spillage.
- ALWAYS** load plates so that the sealed side faces the center of the rotor and the bottom of the plate faces out.
- ALWAYS** be sure the plates are pushed all the way to the bottom of the rotor slot before operating the centrifuge.
- ALWAYS** locate the centrifuge within easy access to an electrical outlet.

### **Questions and Service:**

Should you have a question about the operation of the Axygen Plate Centrifuge or if the centrifuge should require service, contact Axygen Scientific at 501-494-8900. Do not send in a unit for service without first calling to obtain a repair authorization number. Should the centrifuge require return to Axygen for service, it should be properly packed to avoid damage. Any damage resulting from improper packaging shall be the responsibility of the user.

### **Specifications:**

Capacity .....2 PCR plates  
Dimensions .....7.5 x 8.2 x 7.2 in/19 x 21 x 18.3 cm  
Electrical ..... 120 or 230V, 50/60 Hz  
Max Speed ..... 2,500rpm  
Max RCF ..... 500 x g  
Electrical .....120V ~50/60 Hz, 0.6 A (Fuse 1.0 AT)  
.....230V ~50/60 Hz, 0.3 A (Fuse 0.5 AT)

## Product Disposal



This symbol, if present on the product, indicates that the product was planned for use in a country complying with the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment EU Directive, 2002/96/ED. This symbol indicates that this equipment must not be disposed of with unsorted municipal waste. It is the product user's responsibility to correctly dispose of waste equipment by handing it over to an authorized facility for separate collection and recycling. It is the product user's responsibility to decontaminate waste equipment from biological, chemical, and/or radiological hazards prior to disposal.

Additional information pertaining to the disposal of Corning per the WEEE Directive can be obtained at [www.corning.com/weee](http://www.corning.com/weee).

## Declaration of Conformity

Number: CE 00023

Manufacturer: Labnet International, Inc, 31 Mayfield Ave., Edison, NJ 08837

Labnet International declares that the devices described below are in conformity with the EC directives listed. In the event of unauthorized modification of any of the devices listed below, this declaration becomes invalid.

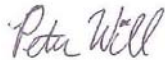
**Device Name:** Axygen Plate Centrifuge

**Device Models Numbers:** C1000-AXY  
C1000-230V-AU  
C1000-230V-EU  
C1000-230V-UK

**Relevant EC Directives:** Low Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC  
EMC Directive 2004/108/EC  
RoHS 2002/95/EC  
WEEE 2002/96/EC

**Harmonized Standards** EN 61010-1 :2001 Ed:2  
EN 61010-2-020:2006  
EN 61326-1:Issued: 2005/12/01 Ed:1.0  
EN 61000-3-2:2000  
EN 61000-3-3:2002  
EN 61000-4-2:2001  
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EN 61000-4-6:2003  
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