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**This test concerns only the microscopes that can acquire fluorescence emission spectra.**

## I. SPECTRUM ACQUISITION PROCEDURE

The “*spectral response*” analysis is associated with the “*target*” (Pattern A), “*logo*” (Pattern J), or “*repositioning cross*” (Pattern H) patterns (see Figure 1).

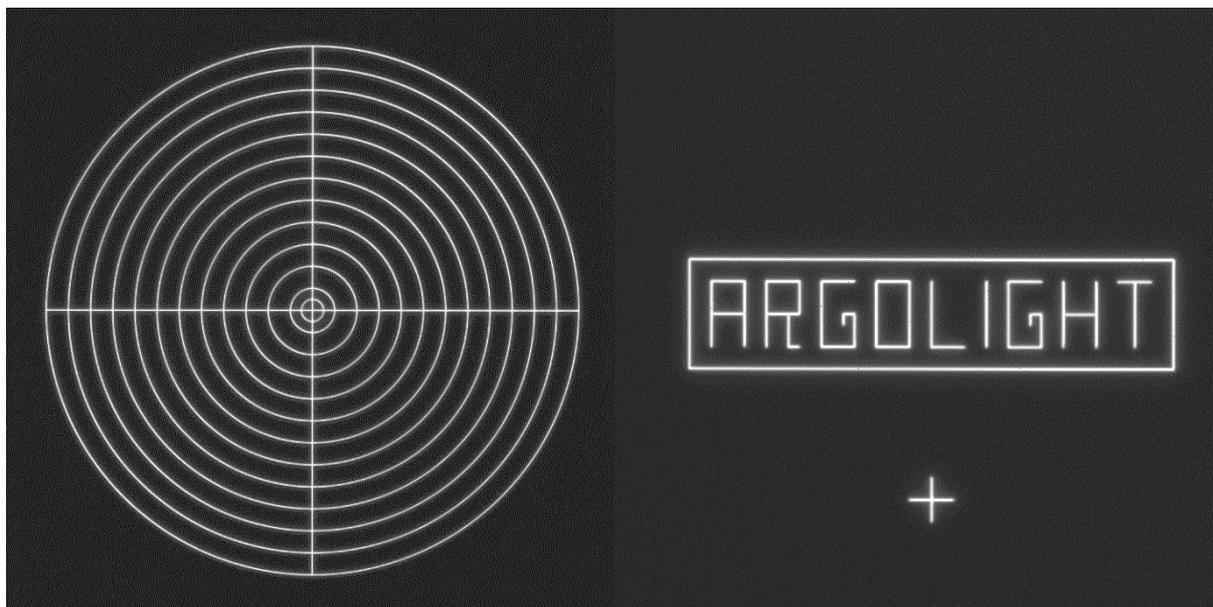


Figure 1: Image example of the target, logo and repositioning cross.

### 1. ACQUISITION RECOMMENDATIONS

**This test concerns only the microscopes on which the spectrum measurement mode is available.**

- Recommended file type

Z stack	No
Multi-channel	Recommended but not mandatory: acquire emission spectra with specific excitation wavelengths (365, 375, 405, 488, 514 and 543 nm)
Tiles	No
Lambda-scan	Yes

**Do not zoom in, this could damage the pattern.**

The area of the scanned zone should not be smaller than the area of the pattern.

- Data organization in the “\*.csv” file





The data in the “\*.csv” or “\*.txt” file should be organized as follow:

- Data should be organized in columns:  
Wavelength (in nm);  
Intensity (in arbitrary units).
- Data should be separated by a comma or a semicolon.
- Rational numbers should be written with dots (no comma).
- There can be several header lines (text format).

```

wave_length,measured_intensity
430;6.727938307449222e-05
435;0.00015864457236602902
440;0.00022089271806180477
445;0.00024471088545396924
450;0.000414153968449682
455;0.0007094984757713974
460;0.0014022840186953545
465;0.0029159511905163527
470;0.0061706011183559895

```

Figure 2: Example of a correct file organization.

A spectrum example acquired following the acquisition recommendations can be found in your Daybook folder, located here: C:\Program Files\Daybook\Daybook-Analysis\trial images  
We encourage you to process this spectrum to start being familiar with the use of the software.

## 2. HOW TO ACQUIRE THE SPECTRUM?

### 1- Find the patterns

- a) Start with a low mag objective (such as 10× or 20×). Set the DAPI (405 nm) or GFP (488 nm) channel.
- b) Make coincide the center of the slide with respect to the objective.
- c) Adjust focus through the eyepieces.
- d) Switch to the objective you’d like to use. Move the slide to the pattern.

### 2- Adjust your setup

- a) Match the center of the pattern with the center of the field of view.
- b) Adjust the focus.  
The best focus usually corresponds to the Z-plane for which the central cross looks the clearest (qualitative approach) and/or for which the intensity histogram is the broadest (quantitative approach).

### 3- Acquire the spectrum

- a) Image the pattern by following the acquisition recommendations.
- b) Save spectra into a “\*.csv” or “\*.txt” files.



## II. SPECTRUM ANALYSIS PROCEDURE

### 1. HOW TO LAUNCH AN ANALYSIS?

- a) Select "Spectral response" in the "Select analysis" list.
- b) Click on "Upload file" to upload the "\*.csv" or "\*.txt" file of the acquired spectrum. Click on "Display data" to select the spectrum.
- c) Set the required and optional settings (see chapter 2 "Analysis Settings").
- d) Click on "Start the analysis".



- e) Results are displayed and can be saved as "\*.csv", "\*.pdf", or transferred into Daybook Data Manager (if available in your package).

### 2. ANALYSIS SETTINGS

#### 1- Required settings

- **Argolight type of glass**

There are 2 types of ArgoGlass®; they both have slightly different spectral features (excitation and emission) which can influence the analysis.

Select the type of glass according to your slide type:

For an Argo-POWER, Argo-HM, Argo-LM, Argo-SIM and Argo-Check → Select AG02.

For an Argo-Z → Select AG01.

- **Central excitation wavelength**

The central excitation wavelength is usually the wavelength of the laser used when acquiring the image.



### III. RESULTS PAGE DESCRIPTION

The picture below shows the results interface for this analysis (cf. Figure 3). Results are displayed in the form of graphs and tables.

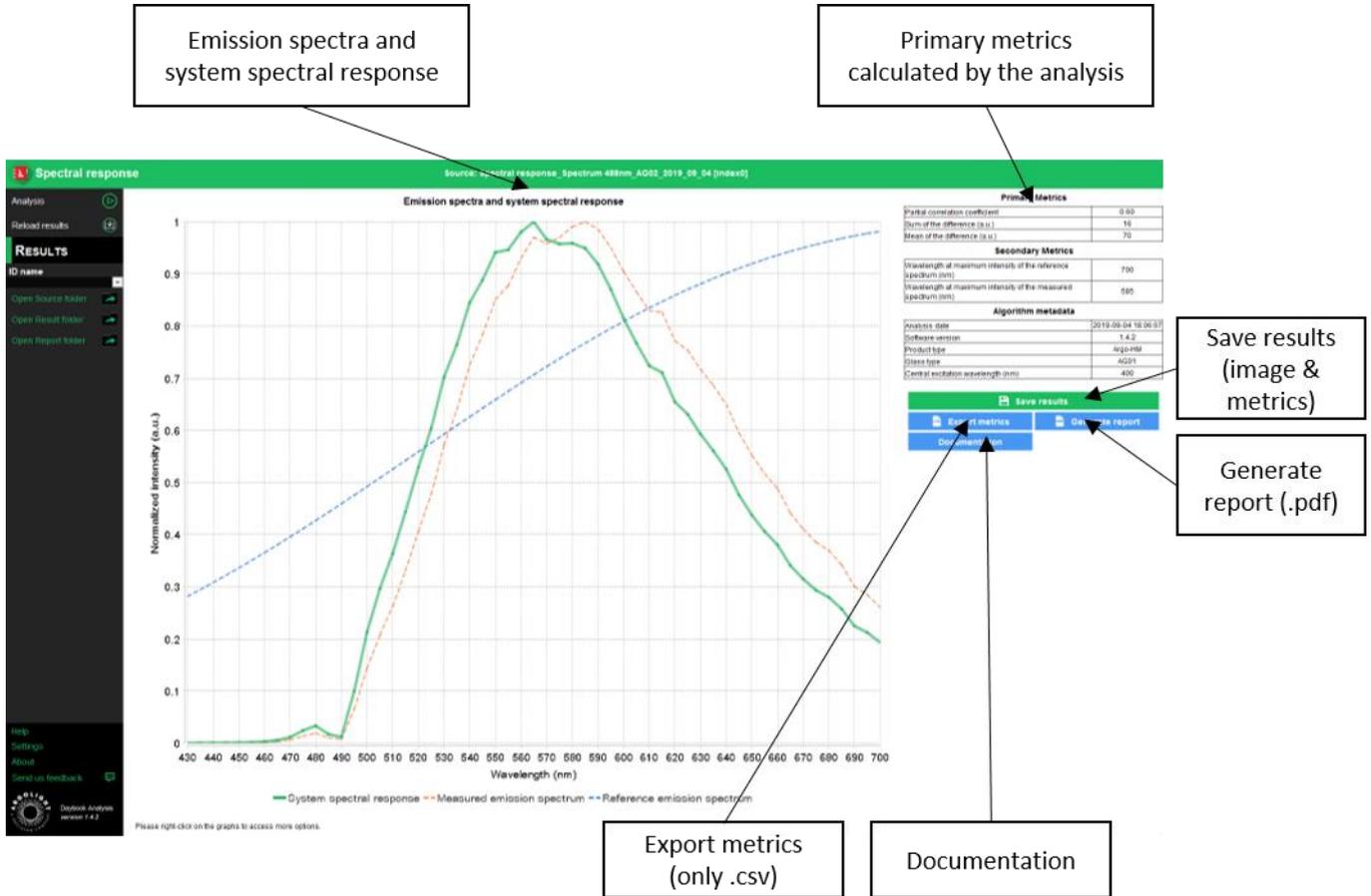


Figure 3: Results page.

When Daybook Data Manager is disabled, the results can be saved into a “\*.csv” file thanks to the “Save results” or “Export metrics” buttons.

When a valid Daybook Data Manager license is registered, the results are transferred into Daybook Data Manager thanks to the “Save in Data Manager” button.

Reports (in a “\*.pdf” format) containing the results (maps, graphs, metrics) can be generated and saved by clicking on the “Generate report” button (cf. Figure 9).

By default, the results will be saved in the “/Daybook results” folder, located within the Daybook directory. To modify the default folder, go to the “Settings” menu at the bottom left corner.

- **Graph options:**



- Zoom in and out: Hold the left or right button of the mouse and move it towards the bottom right to create a selection rectangle. To go back to the initial size, hold the left or right button of the mouse and move it towards any direction.
- Optional features. Right click on the graph to have access to:
  - “Properties”: Edit the chart properties.
  - “Save as”: Save an image into a “\*.png” file, or the graph values into a “\*.txt” file.
  - “AutoRange”: Adjust automatically the ranges of the axes.



## IV. ANALYSIS ALGORITHM DESCRIPTION

The diagram below describes the algorithm that allows the extraction of the spectral response from one spectrum of a target, logo or repositioning cross (cf. Figure 4).

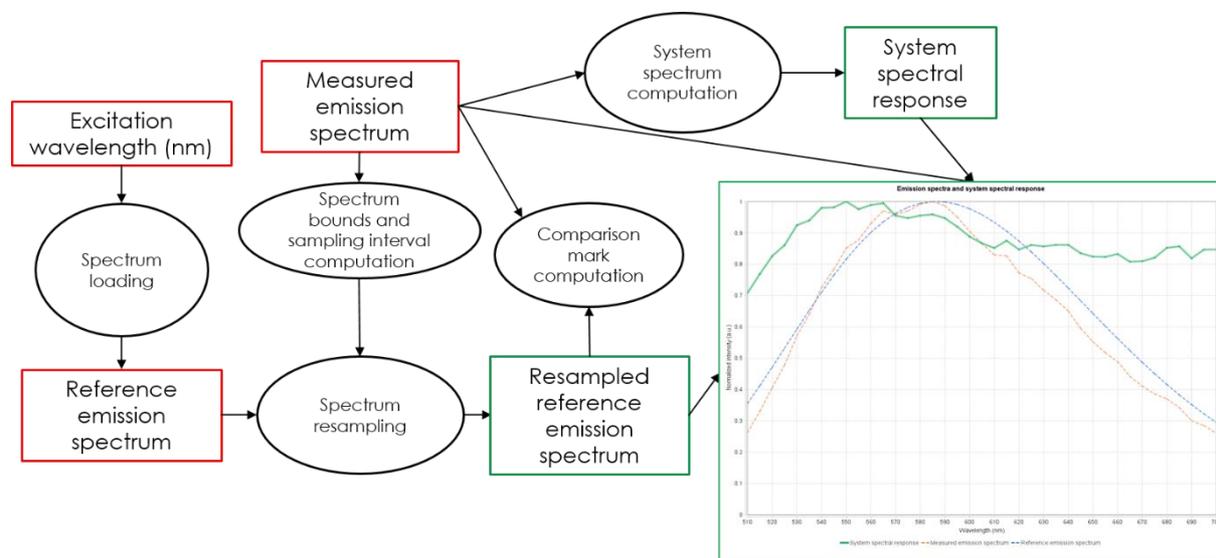


Figure 4: Schematic description of the different steps of the analysis algorithm.

In short, the algorithm works as follows:

- It resamples, if needed, the measured spectrum.
- It divides the measured spectrum by the reference spectrum to deliver what is called the spectral response of the system.
- It displays the spectral response with the measured and reference spectra into the same graph.



## V. OUTPUT METRIC DESCRIPTION

- *Spectral response* is the ability of a device to detect photons within a given spectral range. It is expressed as the ratio between a measured reference spectrum by a “true” reference one, both acquired at the same excitation wavelength. It is unitless.

### 1. PRIMARY METRICS

- *Partial correlation coefficient ( $r'$ )* provides information about how close the measured spectral response is from the reference one, stored in Daybook database. It is unitless, and is given by the following formula:

$$r' = \frac{\text{mean}(Intensities_{ref} \times Intensities_{mes}) - \text{mean}(Intensities_{ref}) \times \text{mean}(Intensities_{mes})}{\sigma(Intensities_{ref}) \times \sigma(Intensities_{mes})}$$

Where *mean* denotes the mean (average) value and  $\sigma$  the standard deviation.

- *Sum of difference* is the sum of the absolute value of the difference between the measured and the reference spectra. It is expressed in arbitrary unit, and is given by the following formula:

$$\text{Sum of difference} = \sum |I_{measured} - I_{reference}|$$

Where  $I_{measured}$  is the measured spectral intensity values and  $I_{reference}$  the reference spectral intensity values.

- *Mean of difference* is the mean of the absolute value of the difference between the measured and the reference spectra. It is expressed in arbitrary unit, and is given by the following formula:

$$\text{Mean of difference} = \frac{1}{n} \sum |I_{measured} - I_{reference}|$$

Where  $n$  is the number of experimental points,  $I_{measured}$  is the measured spectral intensity values and  $I_{reference}$  the reference spectral intensity values.

### 2. SECONDARY METRICS

- *Wavelength at maximum intensity for the reference spectrum* corresponds to the wavelength at which the intensity of the reference spectrum is maximal. It is expressed in nm.
- *Wavelength at maximum intensity for the emission spectrum* corresponds to the wavelength at which the intensity of the measured spectrum is maximal. It is expressed in nm.



## 3. ALGORITHM METADATA

- *Analysis date* is the date at which the analysis has been performed.
- *Software version* is the version of the software.
- *Product type* is the type of Argolight product selected in the panel settings.
- *Glass type* is the type of ArgoGlass® selected in the analysis settings.
- *Excitation wavelength* corresponds to the wavelength of the illumination source used to acquire the fluorescence spectrum. It is pre-set by the user. It is expressed in nm.

## 4. IMAGE METADATA

- *Acquisition date* is the date at which the acquisition of the image has been performed. If this information is not contained in the metadata of the image, then the note “unknown” is displayed.



**Encountered an issue or a question when running this analysis?**

**Please send a screenshot and your issue description at**

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