

Thermal Cycling at a Glance

Techne® have upgraded our established thermal cycler range to provide easier programming and increased instrument flexibility. The Prime range has been designed to enhance the user experience with an outstanding touch interface and identical software for all models. The new range provides high performance, exceptional value and a reliability backed by the market leading 4 year warranty.







Personal Cycler

Mid-sized Cycler

Model	³Prime	³ PrimeX	³PrimeG
Block formats	24x 0.2ml	48x 0.2ml	48x 0.2ml
	18x 0.5ml	30x 0.5ml	30x 0.5ml
Interchangeable blocks	-	-	-
Maximum ramp rate	3.0°C	3.0°C	3.0°C
Temperature accuracy*	<±0.25°C	<±0.25°C	<±0.25°C
Temperature uniformity*	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C
Program Interface	3.5" VGA	3.5" VGA	3.5" VGA
	touch screen	touch screen	touch screen
Stored programs	1000	1000	1000
Networking capability	-	-	-
Adjustable heated lid	Fixed	•	•
Gradient Range	-	Can be upgraded	30 - 80°C
		to ³PrimeG spec	
Max Gradient	-	-	14°C
Dimensions (w x d x h), mm	210 x 350 x 180	210 x 350 x 180	210 x 350 x 180
Licensed for PCR	•	•	•
Warranty	4 years or	4 years or	4 years or
	80,000 cycles	80,000 cycles	80,000 cycles

^{*} Recorded at 55°C for ³Prime and Prime and 50°C for Prime Elite









Full-sized Cycler

Network Connectivity

Prime	PrimeG	Prime Elite	Prime Elite Satellite
96x 0.2ml	96x 0.2ml	96x 0.2ml	96x 0.2ml
60x 0.5ml	60x 0.5ml	60x 0.5ml	60x 0.5ml
384 well plate	384 well plate	384 well plate	384 well plate
•	•	•	•
3.4°C	3.4°C	5.0°C	5.0°C
<±0.25°C	<±0.25°C	<±0.2°C	<±0.2°C
<±0.2°C	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C
5.7" VGA	5.7" VGA	5.7" VGA	Programmable via Prime Elite
touch screen	touch screen	touch screen	or PC Workbench software
1000	1000	1000	1000
-	-	•	•
•	•	Automatic	Automatic
Can be upgraded	30 - 80°C	0 - 100°C	0 - 100°C
to PrimeG spec			
	29°C (19°C for 384)	30°C	30°C
240 x 420 x 240	240 x 420 x 240	276 x 375 x 312	276 x 375 x 312
•	•	•	•
4 years or	4 years or	4 years or	4 years or
80,000 cycles	80,000 cycles	100,000 cycles	100,000 cycles

The Techne® Prime Range

Techne has developed a comprehensive new range of thermal cyclers around its belief that all users deserve PCR without compromise. Our design philosophy has focused on delivering an enhanced user experience on all models.

- Total reliability
- Premium interface
- High performance cycling block
- Easy software and data transfer
- Unique upgrade function
- Exceptional value for money

Format and Throughput Flexibility

- Personal, mid-sized and full size block models
- Interchangeable blocks with 0.2ml, 0.5ml and 384 plate well options
- Control a network of up to 9 satellites from a single server
- Use the consumables of your choice

Enhanced thermal engine

The Prime range is controlled by a completely redesigned thermal block algorithm to improve temperature profiles and provide a consistent high level of performance run after run.

- Choose a cycler with ramp rate that meets your needs, from 3- 5°C/sec
- Excellent thermal accuracy
- Very accurate dwell times prevent non-specific primer binding

Helping to Manage a Budget

Techne® believe that not only do our instruments offer the most affordable thermal cycler solutions on the market but that you should only pay for what you need when you need it. The Prime range introduces a unique feature.

- ³PrimeX and Prime units can be upgraded to achieve gradient capability
- Simple and easy process installed via USB
- No price penalty for upgrading later



Improve Protocol Design

Optimise your protocol design with a true gradient approach. No need to calculate individual zone temperatures and no need for additional programming.

- Gradient calculator automatically sets values across block
- 30-80°C temperature range
- 14°C 30°C gradient across block (depending on model)

Common User Interface

The Prime series comes with our outstanding touch interface which provides a familiar premium experience on all instruments in the range. Whether you process a few samples a week or require a network of instruments for high throughput, the interface offers the same look and feel no matter the task.



- Touch interface with pre-programmed templates for fast protocol creation
- Choice of program creation view graphical or list



Easily manage your program files

- Frequently or recently used programs available direct from home screen.
- Effortlessly manage and organise your programs using user names or keywords
- Transfer protocols and temperature logs between instruments and PC via USB



Techne® Workbench Software

A welcome addition to the Techne® instrument range, the PC application Techne® Workbench is the desktop version of the Techne® touch interface. Carrying the same look and feel, Techne Workbench is your one-stop place for all your PCR programs on your computer.



³Prime

The most feature packed personal thermal cycler on the market and the only entry-level cycler to offer programming via a touch interface. With rapid ramp rates and a small footprint it is the ideal instrument for researching and teaching laboratories.



Specifications

	³Prime	³ PrimeX and ³ PrimeG
Sample capacity: 0.2ml	24	48
Sample capacity: 0.5ml	18	30
Maximum heating rate	3.0°C/s	3.0°C/s
Block temperature range	4°C to 100°C	4°C to 100°C
Block uniformity at 55°C	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C
Temperature accuracy at 55°C	<±0.25°C	<±0.25°C
	Gradient is standard on ³ PrimeG and of	can be upgraded on the ³ PrimeX
Gradient Range	-	30°C to 80°C
Maximum Gradient	-	14°C
Minimum Gradient	-	1°C
Gradient calculator	-	•
Туре	4 peltier element/block	4 peltier element/block
Selectable heated lid temperature	100°C to 115°C or off	100°C to 115°C or off
Heated Lid pressure	Fixed	Adjustable, dependent on consumables
Program interface	3.5" VGA colour touchscreen	3.5" VGA colour touchscreen with
	graphical display	graphical display
Maximum number of programs stored	1000	1000
Data transfer	USB port	USB port
Auto re-start on power failure	Yes	Yes
Dimensions (w x d xh), mm	210 x 350 x 180	210 x 350 x 180
Weight, kg	6	6
Voltage	100-230V, 50-60Hz	100-230V, 50-60Hz
Power	155W	155W



Ordering Information

Description	Product Code
³ Prime thermal cycler, 24 x 0.2ml	3PRIMEBASE/02
³ Prime thermal cycler, 18 x 0.5ml	3PRIMEBASE/05
³ PrimeX thermal cycler, 48 x 0.2ml	3PRIMEX/02
³ PrimeX thermal cycler, 30 x 0.5ml	3PRIMEX/05
³PrimeX upgrade	3PRIMEX/USB
³ PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 48 x 0.2ml	3PRIMEG/02
³ PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 30 x 0.5ml	3PRIMEG/05

Replacement Blocks

Exchange of ³Prime thermal cycler blocks must be carried by a trained service engineer.

Description	Product Code
³Prime block, 24 x 0.2ml	3PRIMEBASE/02/B
³Prime block, 18 x 0.5ml	3PRIMEBASE/05/B
³PrimeX block, 48 x 0.2ml	3PRIMEX/02/B
³PrimeX block, 30 x 0.5ml	3PRIMEX/05/B

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Prime

The Prime instrument is a full sized model that will become your reliable laboratory partner for routine PCR.

• Fast ramp rate of up to 3.4°C/sec

• A versatile, fully interchangeable block system allows exchange in a matter of seconds without the need of tools.

 A USB port enables the transfer of programs between instruments and temperature logs to your PC

 Gradient cycling is available directly using the PrimeG instrument or by upgrading the Prime unit.



Specifications

	Prime	PrimeG
Sample capacity: 0.2ml	96	96
Sample capacity: 0.5ml	60	60
Sample capacity: 384 well	Yes	Yes
Maximum heating rate	3.4°C/s	3.4°C/s
Block temperature range	4°C to 100°C	4°C to 100°C
Block uniformity at 55°C	<±0.3°C	<±0.3°C
Temperature accuracy at 55°C	<±0.25°C	<±0.25°C
Gradient	Can be gradient enabled	Yes
Maximum Gradient	n/a	29°C (19°C for 384)
Minimum Gradient	n/a	1°C
Туре	8 peltier element/block	8 peltier element/block
Selectable heated lid temperature	100°C to 115°C or off	100°C to 115°C or off
Heated lid pressure	Adjustable, dependent on consumables	Adjustable, dependent on consumables
Program interface	5.7" VGA colour touchscreen	5.7" VGA colour touchscreen
Maximum number of programs stored	1000	1000
Data transfer	USB port	USB port
Auto re-start on power failure	Yes	Yes
Dimensions (w x d x h), mm	240 x 420 x 240	240 x 420 x 240
Weight, kg	9.4	9.4
Voltage	100-230V, 50-60Hz	100-230V, 50-60Hz
Power	450W	450W



Ordering Information

Description	Product Code
Prime thermal cycler, 96 x 0.2ml	5PRIME/02
Prime thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml	5PRIME/05
Prime thermal cycler, 384 well plates	5PRIME/384
Prime gradient upgrade	5PRIMEX/USB
PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 96 x 0.2ml	5PRIMEG/02
PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml	5PRIMEG/05
PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 384 well	5PRIMEG/384

Interchangable blocks

This versatile, fully interchangeable block system allows exchange in a matter of seconds without the need of tools

Description	Product Code
Prime block, 96 x 0.2ml	5PRIME/02/B
Prime block, 60 x 0.5ml	5PRIME/05/B
Prime block, 384 well	5PRIME/384/B

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Prime Flite

This premier cycler combines a high performance thermal engine with unique instrument design to deliver the smallest 4 block PCR networking solution on the market. Faster ramp rates and excellent block uniformity are achieved using the TERSTM Thermal Energy Recovery System. TERSTM harnesses the heat released during the cooling phase and delivers it back to the block during the next heating phase increasing ramp rates for faster cycling.



Watch your network grow

Individually...

Add a Satellite...

Add some more...







Specifications

Sample capacity: 0.5ml 60 Sample capacity: 384-well Yes Block temperature range 0 to 100°C* Block uniformity at 50°C <±0.3°C Temperature accuracy at 50°C <±0.2°C Gradient range 0 to 100°C* Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Sample capacity: 0.2ml	96
Block temperature range 0 to 100°C* Block uniformity at 50°C <±0.3°C Temperature accuracy at 50°C <±0.2°C Gradient range 0 to 100°C* Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Sample capacity: 0.5ml	60
Block uniformity at 50°C <±0.3°C Temperature accuracy at 50°C <±0.2°C Gradient range 0 to 100°C* Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Sample capacity: 384-well	Yes
Temperature accuracy at 50°C <±0.2°C Gradient range 0 to 100°C* Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Block temperature range	0 to 100°C*
Gradient range 0 to 100°C* Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Block uniformity at 50°C	<±0.3°C
Maximum gradient 30°C Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Temperature accuracy at 50°C	<±0.2°C
Minimum gradient 1°C Gradient calculator Yes Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Gradient range	0 to 100°C*
Gradient calculator Pre-run sample cooling Maximum heating rate Selectable heated lid temperature Yes Yes at 4°C 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Maximum gradient	30°C
Pre-run sample cooling Yes at 4°C Maximum heating rate Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Minimum gradient	1°C
Maximum heating rate 5°C/s Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Gradient calculator	Yes
Selectable heated lid temperature 35 to 115°C or off	Pre-run sample cooling	Yes at 4°C
	Maximum heating rate	5°C/s
Over temperature cut out	Selectable heated lid temperature	35 to 115°C or off
Over-temperature cut-out	Over-temperature cut-out	Yes

Regulated heated lid pressure	Automatic
Program interface	5.7" VGA colour
	touch screen
	graphical display
Maximum number of programs	1000 stored
Password protection	Yes
Auto re-start on power failure	Yes
Connection to PC control software	Yes
Tm primer calculator	Yes
Dimensions (w x d x h), mm	276 x 375 x 312
Weight, kg	14
Voltage	100-230V, 50-60Hz
Power	950W
*Minimum temperature is 0°C or 20°C below ambient; which	never is higher.

Space Saving Design:

Increasing your network requires valuable laboratory space. The unique Prime Elite design features enable a 4 block footprint of only 0.21m²

- Unique front loading sample draw
 - o Easy access to interchangeable blocks
 - o Heated lid engages on closure
 - o Spring mechanism prevents over tightening
- Stackable design
 - o Foot recesses hold instrument stable
- Front to back airflow
 - o Enables side by side instrument placement
- Power button on front of instrument
 - o No need to reach around instrument

Network Connectivity

Expand your PCR capacity as your throughput requirements grow.

- Use a Prime Elite server as a stand-alone instrument
- A Prime Elite server automatically detects a satellites on connection
- Each Prime Elite instrument can directly control 3 Satellites or 9 via a USB hub
- Up to 9 Satellites can also be run from a PC via the Workbench software

Complete your network



Ordering information

Description	Product Code	
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Prime Elite thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml	ELITE/05	Availaber
Prime Elite thermal cycler, 384 well	ELITE/384	ceptellia
Prime Elite satellite thermal cycler, 96 x 0.2ml	ELITESAT/02	36,012
Prime Elite satellite thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml	ELITESAT/05	701
Prime Elite satellite thermal cycler, 384 well	ELITESAT/384	

Interchangable blocks

Blocks are easily exchanged by removing six screws.

Description	Product Code
Prime Elite block, 96 x 0.2ml	ELITE/02/B
Prime Elite block, 60 x 0.5ml	ELITE/05/B
Prime Elite block, 384 well	ELITE/384/B

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Improvements from TC to Prime



Prime thermal cyclers offer an unrivalled user experience, highly intuitive software and the unique ability to upgrade to gradient via USB

³Prime Key Selling Points – Improvements from TC-3000

- 1. 3.5" colour touchscreen & intuitive interface across the range provides unrivalled user experience (unique).
- 2. Gradient upgrade 3PrimeX via USB provides new flexibility & helps customers spread the cost (unique).
- 3. Transfer programs between machines or create them in free Workbench software and transfer via USB.
- 4. User-friendly software is identical across the whole range build complex programs easily from templates.
- 5. All 0.2ml blocks are compatible with strip tubes, ³PrimeX and ³PrimeG also compatible with 48-well plates.
- 6. Large internal memory can store 1000 programs, searchable by username, program name and last used.
- 7. Modern design strong visual resemblance across the whole Techne® range.
- 8. Superior reliability backed up by 4 year (80,000) cycle warranty.

COMPARISON CHART	³Prime	TC-3000	³PrimeX	TC-3000X	³PrimeG	TC-3000G
Block formats	24x0.2ml (strip-tube)	25x0.2ml	48x0.2ml	48x0.2ml	48x0.2ml	48x0.2ml
	18x0.5ml	20x0.5ml	30x0.5ml	30x0.5ml	30x0.5ml	30x0.5ml
Program interface	3.5" colour	4-line alpha	3.5" colour	4-line alpha	3.5" colour	4-line alpha
	touchscreen	numeric	touchscreen	numeric	touchscreen	numeric
USB program transfer	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Gradient	No	No	Yes (needs USB	No	Yes	Yes
			upgrade)			
Gradient range (°C)	-	-	30-80 (needs USB	-	30-80	20-80
			upgrade)			
Stored programs	1000	80	1000	80	1000	80
Interchangeable block	No	Yes (engineer)	Yes (engineer)	Yes (engineer)	Yes (engineer)	Yes (engineer)
Ramp rate (°C/sec)	3	3.6	3	3.3	3	3.3
Temperature uniformity (°C)	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.1	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.2	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.2
Heated lid	Yes, fixed	Yes, fixed	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable
Number of peltiers	2	4	4	6	4	6
Warranty	4 years or 80,000	4 years or	4 years or 80,000	4 years or	4 years or 80,000	4 years or
	cycles	80,000 cycles	cycles	80,000 cycles	cycles	80,000 cycles
Licensed for PCR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Size (w x d x h) & weight	21x35x18cm, 6kg	17x33x19cm, 6kg	21x35x18cm, 6kg	17x33x19cm, 6kg	21x35x18cm, 6kg	17x33x19cm, 6kg

Improvements from TC to Prime



Prime Key Selling Points – Improvements from TC-4000 / TC-5000

- 1. 5.7" colour touchscreen and intuitive interface across the whole range provides unrivalled user experience.
- 2. Gradient upgrade of Prime via USB provides new flexibility and helps customers spread the cost (unique).
- 3. Transfer programs between machines or create them in free Workbench software and transfer via USB.
- 4. User-friendly software is identical across the whole range build complex programs easily from templates.
- 5. Real time graphical display provides instant visualisation of program status.
- 6. Large internal memory can store 1000 programs, searchable by username, program name and last used.
- 7. Versatile, fully interchangeable block system allows tool-free block change in seconds.
- 8. Modern design strong visual resemblance across the whole Techne® range.
- 9. Superior reliability backed up by 4 year (80,000) cycle warranty.

COMPARISON CHART	Prime	TC-4000	PrimeG	TC-5000
Block formats	96x0.2ml (Universal)	96x0.2ml (tubes)	96x0.2ml (Universal)	96x0.2ml (tubes)
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	60x0.5ml	96x0.2ml (plates)	60x0.5ml	96x0.2ml (plates)
	384-well plate	60x0.5ml	384-well plate	60x0.5ml
		384-well plate		384-well plate
		In-situ block		In-situ block
Program interface	5.7" colour	4-line alpha	5.7" colour	5.4" touchscreen
	touchscreen	numeric	touchscreen	
USB program transfer	Yes	No	Yes	No
Gradient	Yes (via USB	No	Yes	Yes
	upgrade)			
Gradient range (°C)	30-80 (via USB	No	30-80	20-70
	upgrade)			
Stored programs	1000	80	1000	80
Interchangeable block	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ramp rate (°C/sec)	3.4	3	3.4	3
Temperature uniformity (°C)	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.3	+/- 0.3
Heated lid	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable	Yes, adjustable
Number of peltiers	8	8	8	8
Warranty	4 years or 80,000	4 years or 80,000	4 years or 80,000	4 years or 80,000
	cycles	cycles	cycles	cycles
Licensed for PCR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Size (w x d x h) & weight	24x42x24cm, 9.4kg	22x42x26cm, 13kg	24x42x24cm, 9.4kg	22x42x26cm, 14kg

Improvements from TC to Prime





Ordering Information

Product Code	Description
3PRIMEBASE/02	³ Prime thermal cycler, 24 x 0.2ml
3PRIMEBASE/05	³ Prime thermal cycler, 18 x 0.5ml
3PRIMEX/02	³ PrimeX thermal cycler, 48 x 0.2ml
3PRIMEX/05	³ PrimeX thermal cycler, 30 x 0.5ml
3PRIMEX/USB	³ PrimeX USB gradient upgrade
3PRIMEG/02	³ PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 48 x 0.2ml
3PRIMEG/05	³ PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 30 x 0.5ml
Product Code	Description
5PRIME/02	Prime thermal cycler, 96 x 0.2ml
5PRIME/05	Prime thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml
5PRIME/384	Prime thermal cycler, 384 well plate
5PRIMEX/USB	Prime gradient upgrade
5PRIMEG/02	PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 96 x 0.2ml
5PRIMEG/05	PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 60 x 0.5ml
5PRIMEG/384	PrimeG gradient thermal cycler, 384 wells
Product Code	Description
3PRIMEBASE/02/B	³ Prime block, 24 x 0.2ml
3PRIMEBASE/05/B	³ Prime block, 18 x 0.5ml
3PRIMEX/02/B	³ PrimeX block, 48 x 0.2ml
3PRIMEX/05/B	³ PrimeX block, 30 x 0.5ml
Product Code	Description
5PRIME/02/B	Prime block, 96 x 0.2ml
5PRIME/05/B	Prime block, 60 x 0.5ml
5PRIME/384/B	Prime block, 384 well plates

Exchange of ³Prime thermal cycler blocks is carried out by a trained service engineer

Exchange of Prime thermal cycler blocks is carried out by the user - simple, quick and tool-free



Pricing on any accessories shown can be found by keying the part number into the search box on our website.

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