

MTS Acumen® Electrodynamic Test Systems

Delivering quieter, simpler and faster ways to get better data

DESIGNED TO DRIVE PRODUCTIVITY IN MATERIAL AND COMPONENT TESTING, **MTS ACUMEN TEST SYSTEMS** DELIVER AN UNDERSTANDING OF MATERIAL BEHAVIOR. CLEAN, QUIET AND ELEGANTLY ENGINEERED, THESE ENERGY-EFFICIENT SYSTEMS INCREASE TESTING EASE AND ACCURACY.







Industry-leading Performance



Small Footprint



Reduced Cost of Ownership



Operational Simplicity



Energy Efficient







MTS Acumen[®]

Electrodynamic Test System

Engineered for Your Industry

The MTS Acumen portfolio accommodates a wide range of material and component testing

MTS Acumen electrodynamic test systems deliver the capabilities researchers and test engineers need to perform high-fidelity dynamic and static tests that are vital to improving the efficiency, reliability and performance of materials and components.

Combining the extensive functionality MTS solutions are known for with a user-centric design, MTS Acumen systems give test professionals a fast, easy way to establish or expand in-house capacity. These compact systems are easy to install, operate and maintain. They leverage more than three decades of MTS electrodynamic expertise, offering a solution that demonstrates our commitment to providing high-quality systems for the full spectrum of materials testing.

Biomedical

- » Medical devices
- » Orthopaedics
- » Dental
- » Tissue
- » Vascular
- » Medical packaging
- » Fluid baths and accessories allow for in-vivo conditions

Aerospace

- » Lightweighting
- » Composites
- » Adhesives
- » High-temperature engine materials
- » Additive manufactured components

Materials Test Types

- » Fatigue and fracture
- » Component strength and durability
- » FDA regulatory tests
- » Tension
- » Compression
- » Flex / bend
- » Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)

Automotive

- » Vibration isolation
- » Composites
- » Tire / rubber
- » Adhesives
- » Fasteners
- » Lightweighting

Microelectronics

- » Semiconductor research
- » Printed circuit boards
- » Flex circuiting
- » Switches / buttons
- » Tactile feel
- » Fine wires and connectors
- » Solder fatigue testing

Consumer Products

- » Quality control and quality assurance
- » End-of-line testing
- » Durability
- » Additive manufacturing
- » Packaging



MTS Acumen Electrodynamic Test Systems

Available in force capacities up to 12 kN with options for torsion testing of components



Comprehensive Testing Capabilities

MTS provides hardware, software and application expertise to support any testing requirements

Fatigue & Fracture

- » High-cycle fatigue to 100 Hz
- » From pre-cracking to fatigue crack growth
- » Low-cycle fatigue for high-temperature applications
- » File playback and spectrum loading to simulate automotive, aerospace and biomedical duty cycles
- » Fracture mode failure evaluation of full ductile-to-brittle material spectrum

Production Line Quality Control (QC)

- Hardware and software configurations for in-line inspection and pass/fail quality control testing
- » Measure stiffness and other dynamic properties of viscoelastic materials, like the vibration isolation functionality used in automotive elastomer-based engine mounts
- » Smaller footprint than oil-based systems

DMA / Dynamic Characterization

- » Standard and high-force DMA, from -140C to 350C
- » Temperature and frequency sweeps
- » Assess dynamic properties as a function of fatigue
- » Tension, compression, bending, shear, and fully-reversed double cantilever
- » Modulus characterization down to 0.2 N peak-to-peak
- » Master Curves for product life evaluation

Tension / Compression

- » Ultimate strength of materials and components
- » Determine strain rate sensitivity
- » Controlled buckling failure
- » Creep and stress relaxation
- » Hold and pulse tests of products with buttons and switches
- » Pull and shear tests (common for adhesives and films)

Torsion

- » Unprecedented versatility (speed, angular displacement, number of cycles, continuous rotation, etc.)
- Accessory versatility accommodates bone screws, fine wire, electronics, pill bottles, laminate shearing, biological tissue, etc.

Equipped with a Bionix[®] EnviroBath, MTS Acumen test systems enable efficient, accurate testing of biomedical and general material specimens in fluids heated to body temperature.

Low-force Testing

- » Microscale (milli-Newtons) testing with Acumen 1 or 3
- » Combined low-force and low-torque testing
- » Low-torque testing of very small components
- » Tactile-feel load measurement in displacement control
- » Simulate a physiological pressure range (80-120 mmHg)



Accessories for Dynamic & Static Testing

A sample of the many accessories available for Acumen systems



Bionix EnviroBath

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Test Productivity

Industry leading MTS TestSuite™ software simplifies test setup and data collection, display, and analysis





Auto-tuning capability

- » Increased usability without compromising capabilities
- » Auto-tuning allows software to measure and enter specimen parameters
- » No need to enter stiffness values
- » Raw control loop parameter access for advanced users
- » Axial and torsional auto-tuning



Generating & distributing data

- » Full-function oscilloscope and meters to show real-time display of parameters (velocity, hysteresis, cyclic data)
- » Real-time display of calculated results; no need for test to finish and perform post-test analysis
- » Quick save of displayed data for real-time evaluation of long-term tests
- » Choose from a variety of application programs tailored to specific tests and standards

Ease of Use

Simple installation, setup, test monitoring and modification





Virtual graphical display

- » Visual display of limits
- » Protect your specimen, protect your system
- » Instantly view and respond to errors and safety interlocks
- » Critical parameters quickly adjusted to meet test requirements



Intuitive system installation

- » Powered by a standard single phase electrical outlet
- » Bundled and color-coded cables help ensure error-free attachment and a clear test space

Technical Highlights

Features of the Acumen platform focus on testing flexibility and safety

Test setup designed with safeguards

- » System control mode during test setup and tuning is stable, helping prevent pretest sample or system damage
- » Test limit settings are accomplished easily and quickly with mouse-controlled adjustments to visually simple graphics
- » Visual directional control graphics ensure error-free test parameter settings and modifications
- » Guided and automated test setup processes facilitate creating new or modifying existing test protocols



Controlled stop feature enhances system stability

- » Establishes the desired end-of-test specimen condition eliminating excessive or undesirable specimen damage
- » Enables quick recovery and return to intended test conditions
- » Ensures actuator remains safely controlled and predictable when test limits are reached
- » Safe and reliable limit actions increase confidence and efficiency during test setup

Auto-tune methodology - uniquely MTS

- » Accurate electrodynamic system tuning, accomplished with proprietary software algorithms for comprehensive specimen characterization
- » All system control modes are tuned simultaneously in one simple step, for both axial & torsional testing
- » Verification feature measures quality of tuning
- » Tuning options for even the most challenging samples

Mounting hardware & sensor options provide convenience & flexibility

- » Easily and quickly transition the system load cell between the base and the actuator
- » Standard T-Slot base with common functionality across frames
- » Common threaded interface with pilot features on the load cell, actuator, and base plate all provide reliable and consistent alignment
- » Optional threaded attachment kits for leveraging a wide array of MTS and customer grips and fixtures
- » Several system and tandem load cell options and also an optional high performance Advanced Dynamic Response (ADR) sensor for very low-force testing of dynamic loads (as low as 0.2 N peak-to-peak)

System-level engineering delivers added precision & accuracy

- » Sturdy design increases system stiffness
- Acceleration compensation techniques deliver unparalleled closed loop performance
- High resolution linear encoder for precise actuator measurements
- » Alignment fixtures are available
- » Engineered options for complex Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA) testing

Acumen 12 A/T

Scalable Controllers & Remote Monitoring Solutions

Best-in-class multi-station control and remote monitoring solutions for labs with multiple systems

- » Industry-leading control performance enabled by lowest latency
- » Advanced control algorithms and compensators achieve unparalleled testing accuracy
- » Mezzanine card-based design enables future expandability
- » Two chassis sizes provide the right level of scalability
- » Versatile and easy to reconfigure as your testing needs change
- » Independent safety interlock chains for each station ensure the right response to limit trips
- » Large selection of modules to support a wide variety of sensors and equipment
- » Support for Transducer Electronic Data Sheets (TEDS)



Torsion Testing

Acumen systems offer higher speeds, higher torque and more continuous rotation

Applications

- » Biomechanics studies of orthopaedic systems and implants
- Torsional strength and stiffness characterization of bone screws and small scale medical devices, fine wires, fibers, etc,
- » Wound healing (bone) studies that define an exercise and drug regimen to expedite healing outcome
- » Complex medical packaging evaluation, including childproof pill bottles that are designed to be easier for seniors to open
- » Torsional shear performance of adhesives
- » Support and validate FEA or materials models that have torsional elements



Bone Screw Testing

Multi-Sample Fatigue Fixture

Monitor fracture of multiple endovascular samples simultaneously

The MTS MSF15 Fixture is designed for use with MTS Acumen Electrodynamic Test Systems to provide a cost-effective high-cycle fatigue testing solution for fatigue life curve development.

Features

- » 15 test sites per fixture +25% more samples in one test (vs. 12)
- » 50 mm test space clearance at each test site
- » Adjustable test height for larger/ smaller samples
- » Individual station load sensing & break detection with choice of load cell capacities such as 45 N (5 kg)
- » Individual mean strain adjustment to balance all samples to the same initial strain level

- » Proprietary design simplifies alignment for each test site
- » Easy to load design allows the user to set up each test site at an easy to reach location then lower the fixture into the preconditioned bath
- » The 37 C (+/-2C) Transparent Bath allows simple video verification for each test site during the test



Endovascular Device Testing

Lab Productivity

MTS offers the products, engineering support and application expertise to maximize lab efficiency

Optimize your test system readiness

- » Hardware and software maintenance programs
- » Spares programs, extended warranties
- » Accredited calibration services & system alignment



Maximize your testing efficiency

- » Hardware and software training classes at MTS offices or at your facility
- » Material and application consulting
- » Advanced test design software training
- » Custom test template design services
- » Local service engineers

Tailor your lab's data management requirements

MTS' solutions are designed to fit seamlessly into the overall laboratory LIMS ecosystem, and MTS consultants are available to customize data integration.

- » Customize your test system data output
- » Automate data flow between the test machine & LIMS systems or material databases
- » Leverage MTS system consultants for system integration challenges

Specifications

| | | MODEL | | |
|---|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Load Frame Specifications ¹ | Diagram Detail | Acumen 1 G2 | Acumen 3 | Acumen 3 A/T |
| Dynamic force ² | | 1250 N (281 lbf) | 3000 N (670 lbf) | 3000 N (670 lbf) |
| Static force ² | | 1000 N (225 lbf) | 2000 N (450 lbf) | 2000 N (450 lbf) |
| Dynamic torque rating | | - | - | ±30 Nm (265 in-lb) |
| Static torque rating | | - | - | ±21 Nm (185 in-lb) |
| Actuator dynamic stroke | | 70 mm (2.75 in) | 70 mm (2.75 in) | 70 mm (2.75 in) |
| Angular displacement | | - | - | ±135° ±1000 revolutions 0.001 rpm - 350 rpm |
| Dynamic performance | | ≤100 Hz | ≤100 Hz | ≤100 Hz |
| Minimum test space height ³ | А | 26 mm (1.02 in) | 26 mm (1.02 in) | 0 mm (0.00 in) |
| Maximum test space height ⁴ | А | 819 mm (32.24 in) | 819 mm (32.24 in) | 603 mm (23.74 in) |
| Working height⁵ | В | 133 mm (5.24 in) | 133 mm (5.24 in) | 133 mm (5.24 in) |
| Test space width (measured between columns) | С | 460 mm (18.11 in) | 460 mm (18.11 in) | 460 mm (18.11 in) |
| Base plate design | | T-Slot (industry standard: 8 mm) | T-Slot (industry standard: 8 mm) | T-Slot (industry standard: 8 mm) |
| Column diameter | D | 63.5 mm (2.5 in) | 63.5 mm (2.5 in) | 63.5 mm (2.5 in) |
| Frame footprint width | E | 634 mm (24.96 in) | 634 mm (24.96 in) | 634 mm (24.96 in) |
| Frame footprint depth ⁶ | F | 501 mm (19.72 in) | 501 mm (19.72 in) | 501 mm (19.72 in) |
| Overall width 6 (with frame-mounted controller) | G | 764 mm (30.08 in) | 764 mm (30.08 in) | 764 mm (30.08 in) |
| Overall height ⁷ | Н | 1726 mm (67.95 in) | 1726 mm (67.95 in) | 1726 mm (67.95 in) |
| Weight | | 188 kg (415 lb) | 188 kg (415 lb) 230 kg (507 lb) | |
| Noise level - typical ⁸ | | 47 dB(A) | 47 dB(A) 47 dB(A) | |
| Noise level - maximum ⁸ | | 69 dB(A) | 69 dB(A) 69 dB(A) | |
| Mounting | | Tabletop: Vertical | Tabletop: Vertical | Tabletop: Vertical |
| Standard load cell | | 1.5 kN Accel Comp | 3 kN Accel Comp | 3 kN Accel Comp |
| Operating temperature | | +5C° to +35C° | +5C° to +35C° | +5C° to +35C° |
| Cooling | | Automated forced air | Automated forced air | Automated forced air |
| Electrical requirements ⁹ | Voltage - VAC Frequency - Hz Current - Amps Phase | 100-120 (200-240) 50 - 60 7 (4) Single | 200-240 50 - 60 10 Single | 200-240 50 - 60 20 Single |



| | | MODEL | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Load Frame Specifications ¹ | Diagram Detail | Acumen 12 | Acumen 12 A/T | |
| Dynamic force ² | | 12000 N (2697 lbf) | 12000 N (2697 lbf) | |
| Static force ² | | 8500 N (1910 lbf) | 8500 N (1910 lbf) | |
| Dynamic torque rating | | - | ±120 Nm (1056 in-lb) | |
| Static torque rating | | - | ±84.8 Nm (746 in-lb) | |
| Actuator dynamic stroke | | 70 mm (2.75 in) | 70 mm (2.75 in) | |
| Angular displacement | | - | ±135° ±500 revolutions 0.001 rpm - 100 rpm | |
| Dynamic performance | | ≤100 Hz | ≤100 Hz | |
| Minimum test space height ³ | А | 55 mm (2.17 in) | 0 mm (0.00 in) | |
| Maximum test space height ⁴ | A | 985 mm (38.8 in) | 810 mm (31.9 in) | |
| Working height⁵ | В | 815 mm (32.1 in) | 815 mm (32.1 in) | |
| Test space width (measured between columns) | С | 460 mm (18.11 in) | 460 mm (18.11 in) | |
| Base plate design | | T-Slot (industry standard: 14 mm) | T-Slot (industry standard: 14 mm) | |
| Column diameter | D | 76.2 mm (3 in) | 76.2 mm (3 in) | |
| Frame footprint width | E | 651 mm (25.6 in) | 651 mm (25.6 in) | |
| Frame footprint depth ⁶ | F | 817 mm (32.2 in) | 817 mm (32.2 in) | |
| Overall width ⁶ (with frame-mounted controller) | G | 805 mm (31.7 in) | 805 mm (31.7 in) | |
| Overall height ⁷ | Н | 2810 mm (110.7 in) | 2810 mm (110.7 in) | |
| Weight | | 953 kg (2100 lb) | 1043 kg (2300 lb) | |
| Noise level - typical ⁸ | | 62 dB(A) | 62 dB(A) | |
| Noise level - maximum ⁸ | | 78 dB(A) | 78 dB(A) | |
| Mounting | | Floor: Vertical | Floor: Vertical | |
| Standard load cell | | 12 kN Accel Comp | 12 kN Accel Comp | |
| Operating temperature | | +5C° to +35C° | +5C° to +35C° | |
| Cooling | | Automated forced air & self contained water cooled | Automated forced air & self contained water cooled | |
| Electrical requirements ⁹ | Voltage - VAC Frequency - Hz Current - Amps Phase | 200-240 50 - 60 38 Single | 200-240 50 - 60 38 Single | |

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- 2. Verifiable with MTS compression spring test. Performance may vary depending on test type, test set-up, frequency, specimen, environment and other factors.
- 3. Assumes standard system load cell installed, crosshead fully lowered and actuator fully extended to end of the dynamic stroke.
- 4. Assumes standard system load cell installed, crosshead fully raised and actuator fully retracted to end of the dynamic stroke.
- 5. From table to top of work surface; without optional isolation pads.
- For systems with optional test area enclosure, add 98 mm (3.8 in.) to dimension F and 45 mm (1.8 in) to dimension G for overall system dimensions.
- 7. Measured with crosshead fully raised, without optional isolation pad.
- 8. Typical usage at 1 m, free field. Noise level varies depending upon test type, specimen, environment and other factors.
- 9. Acumen 1 current rated at 100 (200) VAC. Acumen 3 current rated at 200 VAC.



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