Amplifiers



Patch Clamp & Intracellular

ELC-01X

Loose clamp amplifier with basic voltage clamp



- Perform juxtacellular recordings and cell staining
- Have the precise current clamp of a bridge amplifier
- Basic voltage clamp capabilities for approaching cells

ELC-03XS

Full featured voltage clamp and current clamp amplifier



- One amplifier for multiple purposes
- Recording, staining, electroporation
 no need to change pipette or headstage
- Record in the low pA range and have headroom for up to 1.2 μ A
- Full voltage clamp with series resistance compensation

Features:

In contrast to other conventional patch clamp amplifiers the ELC-03XS has some unique ways for guaranteeing accurate recordings:

- The real series resistance is measured accurately with the bridge circuit and then compensated close to the theoretical maximum of \sim 82%.
- The bridge circuit allows true current clamp recording with maximum precision
- High gain and filters allow recordings of various extracellular signals

Options: see last page





BA-01X

Intracellular Bridge Mode Amplifier



- Easy to use cell penetration mode
- Can be used with patch pipettes or sharp microelectrodes
- Oscillation shut-off and audio monitor

BA-03X

Full featured intracellular bridge mode and extracellular amplifier



- Includes all features as BA-01X, PLUS:
- High gain to record sub-millivolt signals
- Elaborate filters to record a large variety of signals

Features:

Bridge amplifiers are the **most accurate** instruments for **current clamp** recordings. Any artefacts by the electrode's impedance or the cell's series resistance are compensated by the bridge circuit during recording. The pipette's stray capacitance can be fully compensated.

Options: see last page

ELC, BA and SEC are also available as modules for the EPMS-07 system













SEC-05X

Single Electrode Clamp Amplifier



- Discontinuous voltage clamp and current clamp
- Bridge amplifier built-in

SEC-10LX

Full featured intracellular Single Electrode amplifier



- More advanced cell penetration modes
- Gated stimulus application with digital potentiometers

Benefits:

- npi's Single electrode clamp amplifiers are the most accurate in the market.
- Perform voltage clamp with sharp microelectrodes
- Complete compensation of the recording electrode allows high-current singleelectrode recordings with patch pipettes or sharp electrodes.
- No series resistance error due to discontinuous recording

Optional recording modes:

Voltage Clamp controlled Current Clamp (VCcCC):

Allows Current Clamp experiments at controlled resting potentials

Dynamic Hybrid Clamp (DHC):

Allows precise measurement of conductances after action potentials

Linear (unswitched) mode (optional with series resistance compensation):

x1: low-noise recordings of small currents; approaching cell and seal formation in VC

x10: 10 times more current or voltage for non-invasive (juxtacellular) filling of cells

Which model to choose?

	BA-01X	BA-03X	ELC-01X	ELC-03XS	SEC-05X	SEC-10X
Extracellular recordings		✓		✓		
Juxtacellular recordings	✓ (CC only)	✓ (CC only)	✓ (CC only)	√	~	~
Patch Clamp (VC)		3 333		✓	~	~
Intracellular recording (CC)		✓		✓	✓	✓
Electroporation	✓	✓	✓	✓	~	~
Perforated Patch Clamp				✓	✓	✓
Discontinuous Clamp (VC or CC)					√	✓

 $[\]checkmark$ = good choice, \sim = use **LIN** mode in SEC for lower noise or higher output current

Which options to choose?

Switchable headstage (ELC-SWI, BA-SWI)

Standard feedback resistor in the ELC or BA headstages is $100 \text{ M}\Omega$. Adding a second switchable feedback resistor can enhance the output current (for electroporation) or enhance sensitivity (for more delicate recordings).

Differential headstage (ELC-DIFF, BA-DIFF)

In extracellular recordings pick-up of noise is a common problem. Differential recording helps minimizing this external noise by subtracting a reference signal from the actual recording signal.

Linear mode (LIN)

See SEC amplifiers' page.

Common features of all npi amplifiers

- Compatible with all data acquisition sytems (BNC connectors for control and read-out)
- Miniature headstages available for in-vivo recordings

Contact:

General:

npi electronic GmbH

Phone: +49-7141-9730230 Fax: +49-7141-9730240 sales@npielectronic.com www.npielectronic.com North America:

ALA Scientific Instruments

Phone: +1-631-393-6401 Fax: +1-631-393-6407 sales@alascience.com www.alascience.com

High quality npi products - made in Germany

Universal Amplifiers

patch clamp, single cell electroporation, transfection, intra- and extracellular, voltammetry

Bridge Amplifiers

most accurate current clamp amplifiers, extracellular

Extracellular Amplifiers

LFP, EEG, EMG, single units single- or multi-channel

Voltammetric Amplifiers

voltametry, amperometry, FCV

Temperature Controllers

analog control for low-noise operation

Iontophoretic Substance Application:

fast and precise application of charged substances

Customized Devices and Prototypes

easy customization due to inhouse production

Miniature Headstages

record in freely moving animals, iintra- and extracellular, voltammetry

Amplifiers for Oocytes

fast and accurate clamp with large currents

Single Electrode Amplifiers

fastest discontinuous current and voltage clamp

Isolated Stimulators

current and/or voltage, battery or power supply

Filters and Signal Conditioners

high- and lowpass Bessel filters

Pressurized Substance Application

precise application of all liquids

Fiber Photometry Systems

plug-and-play addition to any e-phys rig

For more information contact:

General:

npi electronic GmbH

Phone: +49-7141-9730230 Fax: +49-7141-9730240 sales@npielectronic.com www.npielectronic.com North America:

ALA Scientific Instruments

Phone: +1-631-393-6401 Fax: +1-631-393-6407 sales@alascience.com www.alascience.com