

The FALEX MultiSpecimen Test Machine is a versatile system for evaluating the friction, wear, and abrasion characteristics of materials, coatings, and lubricants. The FALEX MultiSpecimen Test Machine will perform numerous Standard Test Methods and Application Specific Custom testing programs

User selected contact geometries, motions, velocities, temperatures, and contact pressures, and test specimen materials allow one test apparatus to meet many commercial and military test specifications and simulate a broad range of field applications.

Applications for the FALEX MultiSpecimen include research and development, quality control, product qualification and the evaluation of physical and performance characteristics of materials, coatings, and lubricants. Test studies and a number of technical publications confirm exceptional correlation with field service.



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### FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE

#### FEATURES AND SPECIFICATIONS

#### **DRIVE SYSTEM**

Computer controlled servo motor configured for 220 V, Single Phase, 50 or 60 cycle operation.

The motor drives the upper vertical shaft. The lower vertical shaft is held stationary by the Torque Measurement System. Standard speed range is 30 to 3600 rpm. Optional pulley configurations are available for speed ranges 15 to 1800 rpm and 60 to 7200 rpm.

An optional rotational speed reducer is available for the operation of Stick/Slip and Static Torque and COF determinations. Programmable speed control to as low as 0.01 rpm.

The optional Reversible Drive SoftWEAR™	Degrees of Oscillation	<u>Cycles per Minute, max</u>
provides Oscillatory Motion Control from 2° to 720°	720°	150
(angle of motion dependent on test speeds and	5°	1150
loads).	2°	1600

Mechanical Oscillating Drive Systems are also available in standard and high-speed versions enabling simulation of start/stop motion. Maximum oscillation is 90° (angle of motion dependent on test speeds and loads). Degrees of Oscillation Cycles per Minute, max



egrees of Oscillation	<u>Cycles per Minute, max</u>
0° 20°	1500
21° - 30°	1200
31° - 40°	1100
41° - 50°	900
51° - 70°	600
71° - 90°	500

#### TEST LOAD

**Programmable MultiSpecimen:** Automated Test Load Control System eliminates the use of test weights. User defined parameters for test load ramping rates, soaking times, and test cycle control. Dual Range Pneumatic System for applied test load ranges of 50 to 800 lbs. and 10 to 60 lbs. Optional ultra low load ranges are available upon request.

**Semi-Automated MultiSpecimen:** Manual Test Load System: Test Load is applied using a Dual Range Mechanical Lever (2:1 or 10:1 ratio) and Dead Weights. Maximum Bale Weight is 80 lbs. The 2:1 lever ratio applies loads from 1 lb. to 160 lbs. The 10:1 lever ratio applies loads from 20 lbs. to 800 lbs.

#### **ENVIRONMENTS**

Standard Systems provide fluid and test specimen initial temperature set point (ambient to 150°C) using liquid or dry environments.

Optional Systems for temperature regulation (-30°C to 200°C), humidity measurement and/or control, and test fluid recirculation.

# FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE FEATRURES AND SPECIFICATIONS

#### **TEMPERATURE CONTROL**

**Programmable MultiSpecimen:** Automated Test Temperature System with computer control. User defined parameters for test temperature ramping rates, soaking times, and test cycle control. Standard Systems provide test table heaters (ambient to 150°C) for liquid and dry test environments. User programmable test alarms and abort levels.

**Semi-Automated MultiSpecimen:** User defined test temperature set point and ramp rate. Standard Systems provide test table heaters (ambient to 150°C) for liquid and dry test environments. User programmable test alarms and abort levels.

Optional Systems increase the temperature set point and regulation (-30°C to 200°C). Heater Cups and Heated and/or cooling recirculating systems increase the flexibility of temperature control and regulation for liquid and dry environments.

#### FRICTION MEASUREMENT

The lower shaft transmits a signal through a load cell for determining torque. The Standard System includes a 0 to 100 lb Load Cell. The Falex SoftWEAR<sup>™</sup> records and displays the test torque data and calculates a real-time Coefficient of Friction. User programmable test alarms and abort levels.

#### WEAR MEASUREMENT

**Programmable MultiSpecimen:** Dynamic Digital Wear Measurement System records and displays the real-time test system wear displacement. User programmable test alarms and abort levels.

**Semi-Automated MultiSpecimen:** Standard System includes a dial gage indicator for test system wear displacement. An Optional Dynamic Wear Measurement System is available for the Semi-Automated MultiSpecimen.

#### TEST DURATION

Standard Systems include user defined alarms and abort levels for test time (H:MM:SS) and test cycles (shaft revolutions).

#### UTILITY REQUIREMENTS

Power: 220 Volts, 60 cycle or optional 50 cycle, single phase. Pneumatics: 80 psig clean, dry air required for pneumatic load systems.

#### SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Bench-top: 72 in. (L) x 28 in. (D) x 36 in. (H) 2 m (L) x 0.7 m (D) x 1 m (H)

### FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE

#### STANDARD TEST METHODS

- ASTM D3702 Standard Test for Wear Rate and Coefficient of Friction in Self-Lubricated Rubbing Contact Using a Thrust washer Testing Machine
- ASTM D2266 Standard Test Method for Wear Preventive Characteristics of Lubricating Grease (Four Ball Method)
- ASTM D4172 Standard Test Method for Wear Preventive Characteristics of Lubricating Fluids (Four Ball Method)
- ASTM D5183 Standard Test Method for Coefficient of Friction Using a Four Ball Wear Test Machine
- ASTM G99 Standard Test Method for Wear Testing with a Pin on Disk Apparatus
- Proposed Standard Test Method for Predicting Coefficient of Friction and Wear Properties of Hydraulic Fluids Using a Cyclic Stress Vane Apparatus

#### AVAILABLE TEST ADAPTER CONFIGURATIONS

Four Ball Wear	Oscillating Roll/Slide	Thrust Washer	Rolling Four Ball
Gear/Cam Contact	Three Pad on Disk	Ball on Flat	Pin on Disk
Ball Bearing	Powder Friction	Slurry Erosion	Three Balls on Flat
Three Pin on Disk	Sheet Abrasion	Three Ball Microfilm	Sliding Bottle
Walking Cam	Ball on Three Disk	Shear Stability	O-Ring Wear
Face Seal	Pump Rotor Vane	Roller Bearing	Hypoid Gear
Lip Seal	Thrust Bearing	Impact	Piston Ring Test
Cyclic Stress Pump Rotor Vane	Viscous Drag Friction	Timing Belt Friction and Wear	Stick-Slip / Static COF

### FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE

#### F-1506-330 FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE WITH AUTOMATED SOFTWEAR™ DATA ACQUISITION AND CONTROL

Fully Automated Test System with Pneumatic Loading System and Test Program Creation, Control, and Data Acquisition using FALEX SoftWEAR™.

Standard System includes the Automated Test Load Control System, Programmable Varialble Speed Motor, Automated Temperature Control System, Friction Measurement System, Wear Measurement System, Torque Calibrator, Table Heater Assembly, Oil Reservoir Cup, Chamber Cooling Fan, and Standard Test Specimen Table.

Test Program Creation and Control Software Test RPM ControlTest Data Acquisition and Data Storage Test RPM IndicatorTest Temperature Set Point Control (Chamber or Test Specimen) Test Load Set Point and ControlTest Data Acquisition and Data Storage Test RPM IndicatorTest Temperature Set Point Control (Chamber or Test Specimen) Test Load Set Point and ControlTest Data Acquisition and Data Storage Test RPM IndicatorTest Temperature Set Point Control (Chamber or Test Specimen) Test Load IndicatorTest Load Indicator	TEST PARAMETER CONTROL	TEST DATA ACQUISITION
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#### **F-1506-30 FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE WITH SOFTWEAR™ DATA ACQUISITION**

Semi-Automated Test System with Mechanical Loading System and Test Parameter Control, and Data Acquisition using FALEX SoftWEAR™.

Standard System includes the Mechanical Dead Weight Load System, Varialble Speed Motor, Temperature Control System, Friction Measurement System, Dial Indicator Wear Gage, Torque Calibrator, Table Heater Assembly, Oil Reservoir Cup, Chamber Cooling Fan, and Standard Test Specimen Table. Optional Test Load Indicator and Digital Wear Indicator are available.

TEST PARAMETER CONTROL	TEST DATA ACQUISITION
Test Parameter Control Software Test RPM Control Test Temperature Set Point Control (Chamber or Test Specimen) Test Load Set Point Test Duration Control (Time and/or Cycles)	Test Data Acquisition and Data Storage Test RPM Indicator Test Temperature Indicators (Chamber and Test Specimen) Test Load Indicator (optional) Test Wear Indicator (optional) Test Duration Indicators (Time and Cycles) User Defined Real Time Data Graph

# FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE SOFTWEAR™

FALEX Windows SoftWEAR<sup>™</sup> for Test Program Creation, Parameter Control, Data Acquisition and Instrument Calibration



- **F-1506-D1 DYNAMIC DIGITAL WEAR SENSOR FOR F-1506-310** Optional Digital Wear Sensor and Display System for FALEX 310 SoftWEAR<sup>™</sup>
- **F-1506-D2 DIGITAL LOAD SENSOR FOR F-1506-310** Optional Digital Load Sensor and Display System for FALEX 310 SoftWEAR<sup>™</sup>
- **F-1506-D3 TEST VIBRATION SENSOR SYSTEM FOR FALEX SOFTWEAR™ SYSTEMS** Optional Vibration Sensor and Display System for FALEX 310 and 330 SoftWEAR™
- **F-1506-D4 TEST CHAMBER HUMIDITY SENSOR FOR FALEX SOFTWEAR™ SYSTEMS** Optional Humidity Sensor and Display System for FALEX 310 and 330 SoftWEAR™
- F-1506-2 LOW SPEED MECHANICAL OSCILLAITING DRIVE SYSTEM Optional System for low speed oscillatory tests (90° max angle, 600 max rpm) \*for use with older versions of the Falex MultiSpecmen Test Machine
- F-1506-3 MECHANICAL OSCILLAITING DRIVE SYSTEM

Optional System for oscillatory tests (90° max angle, max rpm dependent on angle of oscillation) \*for use with older versions of the Falex MultiSpecmen Test Machine

- F-1506-3A REVERSIBLE DRIVE SYSTEM Optional System for oscillatory tests (720° max angle, max rpm dependent on angle of oscillation)
- F-1506-5 HEATED RESERVOIR TEST CUP Optional Heated Test Cup for liquid and dry test (200°C max)
- F-1506-7 LOAD CALIBRATION SYSTEM FOR FALEX 330 SOFTWEAR™ SYSTEM Digital Meter and Load Cell Assembly for Test Load Calibration of Pneumatic Load System
- F-1506-132C CONVECTIVE AIR COOLING TEST RESERVOIR WITH COVERS Test Reservoir Assembly with increase surface area to improve air cooling
- F-1506-132G STANDARD 100 ML TEST RESERVOIR WITH COVERS
- F-1506-132H 25 ML TEST RESERVOIR WITH COVERS

F-1506-132	LOW TEMPERATURE CHAMBER (DRY ICE)
F-1506-132A	LOW TEMPERATURE CHAMBER (FOR USE WITH COOLER)
F-1506-132B	LOW TEMPERATURE RECIRCULATING CHILLER (-30°C)
F-1506-12	LOW RANGE LOAD CELL FOR TORQUE MEASUREMENT SYSTEM (0 TO 10 LBS)
F-1506-5	TEST FLUID RECIRCULATION SYSTEM (150°C MAX)
F-1506-60	HUMIDITY CONTROL SYSTEM (30 TO 60% RH)

### FALEX SCAR MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS

F-1519-31	SCAR MEASUREMENT SYSTEM
	Binocular microscope with scaled eyepiece and light.
	Ball cup stand and single ball holder. Allows reading of ball scar without removal from ball cup.

- F-1519-31A HIGH PRECISION SCAR MEASUREMENT SYSTEM Includes binocular microscope with X-Y base and digital display of measurement accurate to 0.001 mm. System includes ball cup stand with single ball holder. Allows reading of ball scar without removal from ball cup.
- F-1518-31B DIGITAL SCAR MEASUREMENT SYSTEM with CCD CAMERA

Includes a CCD camera and digital display of ball scar and capability of measurement on screen to 0.01 mm. System includes ball cup stand with single ball holder and CCD camera with USB port for recording scar diameters to Falex computerized data acquisition system or host computer. Allows for reading ball scar without removal from ball cup.



006-108-009 FOUR BALL WEAR TEST ADAPTER 006-200-013 METRIC WEIGHT SET THREE DISK HOLDER 006-099-052 (FOUR BALL CONFIGURATION) Rolling Four Ball Standard Four Ball Ball on Three Disks **BALL ON THREE DISK (BOTD) TEST ADAPTER** 006-108-012 **B.O.T.D. ACCESSORY KIT** F-1506-116B F-1506-116C **B.O.T.D. TEST WEIGHT SET** F-15196 **DISK FIXTURE** 006-500-101 ROLLING FOUR BALL SPECIMEN RACE 006-105-066 COLLET ASSEMBLY 006-108-004 GEAR LUBRICANT TEST ASSEMBLY 006-099-020 ROLLER PLATE AND PIN ASSEMBLY (FOR 006-108-004) 006-108-021 WALKING CAM LUBRICANT TEST ASSEMBLY 006-099-002 ROLLER PLATE AND PIN ASSEMBLY (FOR 006-108-021) 006-009-001 ROLLER SPECIMEN DRIVER (FOR 006-108-004 AND 006-108-021) 006-108-003 PUMP ROTOR VANE CYCLIC CONTACT STRESS VANE TEST SYSTEM 006-108-006-108-015 STICK-SLIP TEST ASSEMBLY 006-108-007 THRUST WASHER, SMALL 006-108-006 THRUST WASHER. LARGE F-1506-122A SPECIAL SMALL THRUST WASHER CLAMPING SYSTEM SPECIAL LARGE THRUST WASHER CLAMP F-1506-122B SINGLE PIN-ON-DISK TEST ADAPTER 006-108-005 006-108-008 THREE PIN-ON-DISK TEST ADAPTER 006-108-019 SINGLE BALL-ON-DISK 006-108-026 SINGLE BALL-ON-DISK, VAMAS STYLE ADAPTER 006-108-018 THREE BALL-ON-DISK TEST ADAPTER, SMALL 006-108-017 THREE BALL-ON-DISK TEST ADAPTER, LARGE 006-108-022 LIQUID EROSION TEST ASSEMBLY

- 006-108-013FACE SEAL TEST ADAPTER006-108-011LIP SEAL TEST ADAPTER
  - F-1506-131 THREE BALL MICRO FILM TEST ADAPTER
  - F-1506-131A UPPER AND LOWER DISK SET
  - 006-108-025 O-RING WEAR TEST ADAPTER
  - 006-108-029 OSCILLATING ROLL/SLIDE ADAPTER
  - 006-108-033 SHEAR STABILITY OF FLUIDS ADAPTER
  - 006-108-034 BALL BEARING TEST ASSEMBLY
  - 006-108- HYPOID GEAR TEST ASSEMBLY
  - 006-500-044 UPPER RACE SPECIMEN
  - 006-500-045 LOWER RACE SPECIMEN
  - 006-500-037 ROLLER SPECIMEN
  - 006-108- THREE PAD ON DISK TEST ASSEMBLY
  - 006-108-040 TIMING BELT TEST ADAPTER
  - 006-108-034 BALL BEARING TEST ADAPTER
  - 006-108-010 VISCOUS DRAG FRICTION TEST ADAPTER
  - 006-108- MPACT TEST ADAPTER
  - 006-500-055 IMPACT TEST OCTAGONAL SPECIMEN, 1018 STEEL
  - 006-500-054 IMPACT TEST ROLLER SPECIMEN, 440C STAINLESS STEEL
  - 006-108-001 PLASTIC POWDER FRICTION AND WEAR TEST
  - F-1506-144A SPECIMEN RING
  - 006-108-049 SHEET ABRASION TEST ADAPTER
  - F-1506-146 SHEET METAL DRAWING AND FORMING ADAPTER
  - F-1506-147 SLIDING BOTTLE TEST ADAPTER
  - F-1506-148 POWDER FRICTION TEST ASSEMBLY
  - 006-105-079 LINING PLATE SPECIMEN HOLDER ASSEMBLY



Hypoid Gear Test Assembly



Three Pad on Disk Test

# FALEX MULTISPECIMEN TEST MACHINE STANDARD TEST SPECIMENS

#### STANDARD SPECIMENS - THRUST WASHER CONFIGURATION 006-500-041 Small Rotating Upper Specimen 1018 Steel, Rc 15-25, 14-18 rms F-1506-41 Large Rotating Upper Specimen 1018 Steel, Rc 15-25, 14-18 rms 006-500-001 Small Stationary Lower Specimen 1018 Steel, Rc 15-25, 14-18 rms 006-500-021 Large Stationary Lower Specimen 1018 Steel, Rc 15-25, 14-18 rms **STANDARD SPECIMENS - FOUR BALL CONFIGURATION** 006-500-161 Falex Test Specimen Balls F-1519-55 Ball-On-Three-Disks (BOTD) Specimen Set STANDARD SPECIMENS - PIN-ON-DISK CONFIGURATION 006-500-131 Upper Rotating Pins 440C Stainless Steel, Rc 55-58 **STANDARD SPECIMENS - VANE PUMP CONFIGURATION** F-1506-70 Upper Rotating Vanes (3 per Test) M-2 Steel, Rc 58-62, 6-12 rms, 0.590 in. radius F-1506-70A High Stress Upper Rotating Vanes (3 per test) M-2 Steel, Rc 58-62, 6-12 rms, 0.250 in. radius F-1506-71 Stationary Lower Specimen 52100 Steel, Rc 58-62, 9-15 rms F-1506-71A Cyclic Stress Lower Specimen 52100 Steel, Rc 60-63, 9-15 rms STANDARD SPECIMENS - GEAR/CAM AND WALKING CAM TEST CONFIGURATION 006-500-173 Upper Specimen Rollers (2 per Test) 8620 Steel, Rc 55-58, 24-30 rms F-1506-80A Upper Specimen Rollers (2 per Test) 8620 Steel, Rc 50-54, 24-30 rms F-1506-81 Lower Specimen Gear 8620 Steel, Rc 55-58, 24-30 rms 006-500-006 Lower Specimen Walking Cam 400 C Stainless Steel, Rc 55-58, 24-30 rms **STANDARD SPECIMENS - OSCILLATING ROLL/SLIDE** F-1506-85 **Test Specimen Inserts**

(4 Required per Test) 440C Stainless Steel, Rc 55-58, 14-18 rms.



# For All of Your Lubricant and Materials Testing

#### **LUBRICANTS**

- Pin and Vee Block
- Block-on-Ring
- Timken EP
- Tapping Torque
- Panel Coker
- High Temperature/High Speed Bearing
- Four Ball Wear
- Four Ball EP
- High Temperature Wheel Bearing
- Thermal Oxidation Stability (L60-1)
- Fretting Wear
- Hydrolytic Stability
- Grease Corrosion Test
- Isothermal Oxidation
- Hydraulic Fluid Pump Stand
  (Vickers and Conestoga)

#### FUELS AND SOLVENTS

- Ball on Three Disk Fuel Lubricity
- Thin Film Evaporator
- Fuel Deposit Simulator

### MATERIALS

- Journal Bearing
- Multi-Specimen
- Crossed Cylinders
- Low Velocity Friction Apparatus
- Pin on Disk
- Coefficient of Stoption
- Magnetic Media and Paper Wear
- Life Performance Face Clutch
  System
- Thin Coating Wear (Electrical Contacts)
- Dual Drive Rolling Contact
  Fatigue
- High Speed Bearing/Mechanical Clutch

#### **ABRASION AND EROSION**

- Dry Sand/Rubber Wheel
- Air Jet Erosion
- Miller Number Slurry