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This product carries a limited warranty of 2 years for parts and labor.

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dPatch[®] DIGITAL PATCH CLAMP AMPLIFIER SYSTEM

with

SutterPatch[®] DATA ACQUISITION, MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS SOFTWARE



QUICK START GUIDE

SUTTER INSTRUMENT[®]

DIGITAL PATCH CLAMP AMPLIFIER SYSTEMS OVERVIEW

Please read these instructions carefully before installation. This guide covers both the dPatch® and dPatch-2 systems. If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Sutter Instrument.

OPERATING SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Windows 10 or later: 64-bit versions
macOS 10.13 (High Sierra) or later

INSTALL HARDWARE

1. Attach dPatch headstage(s) to amplifier front panel: HEADSTAGE 1 & 2. dPatch headstages can be attached to any headstage port; they are not “matched” to a port.
2. OPTIONAL: Attach dPatch Screw Terminal Board or dPatch Expansion Panel to amplifier rear panel: DIGITAL OUTPUTS.
3. Attach USB 3 cable to USB 3 ports on amplifier rear panel and your computer. The connector on the dPatch rear panel must click in place.
4. Attach power cord to amplifier rear panel and a grounded power outlet.

INSTALL IGOR PRO/SUTTERPATCH SOFTWARE

1. Power on computer.
2. If you have Internet access, download the latest version of the SutterPatch Software installer from www.sutter.com/AMPLIFIERS/SutterPatch.html
3. If Internet access is not available, attach the included USB flash drive to your computer.
4. Double click on ‘SutterPatch_Installer_with_Igor’ (Windows) or ‘sutterpatch_mac_full’ (Mac OS).
5. Follow the installer prompts.
6. Open Igor Pro and activate the Igor Pro license as instructed:
 - i. Serial Number:
 - ii. Activation Key:

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TEST SYSTEM

1. Model Cell:
 - a. Attach Model Cell to HEADSTAGE 1 and tighten the collar.
 - b. Attach ground-wire gold plugs to HEADSTAGE 1 and Model Cell.
 - c. Surround with aluminum foil shielding and ground it to the headstage ground connector.



3. SutterPatch welcome screen will open. Press ‘Start’.

4. In the floating Dashboard:



Click on the Membrane Test icon:



5. Scope + Analysis windows open:
(Actual analysis values depend on dPatch filter settings)
 - I. With the Model Cell switch in Bath position, click the Bath button.
Pipette Resistance = ~10 MΩ
 - II. With the Model Cell switch in Seal position, click the Seal button.
Seal Resistance > 10,000 MΩ
 - III. With the Model Cell switch in Cell position, click the Cell button.
Access Resistance = ~10 MΩ
Membrane Resistance = ~500 MΩ
Membrane Capacitance = ~28 pF

Move the Model Cell and shielding to HEADSTAGE 2 (if installed), set the Membrane Test ‘Signal Parameter’ Channel to ‘Headstage 2’, and repeat steps I – III.

INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS

Visit the Sutter Instrument and WaveMetrics YouTube channels for tutorials, tech support videos, and webinars!

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