LaboForce-100



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LaboForce-100 Safety Precaution Sheet

To be read carefully before use

- The operator should be fully aware of the use of the machine according to the Instruction Manual.
- 2. Keep your hands clear of the specimen holder or specimen mover plate when lowering LaboForce.
- 3. Do not touch the rotating parts during operation.
- **4.** When working at machines with rotating parts care has to be taken that clothing and/or hair cannot be caught by the rotating parts. Appropriate safety clothing must be used.
- 5. If you observe malfunctions or hear unusual noises stop the machine and call technical service.
- **6.** Alcohol based consumables: follow the current safety rules for handling, mixing, filling, emptying and disposal of the alcohol-based liquids.
- 7. The LaboForce must be mounted securely on the LaboPol grinding/polishing machine If the LaboPol has to be moved to a new location, remove LaboForce before moving the grinding/polishing machine (See section Installing LaboForce).

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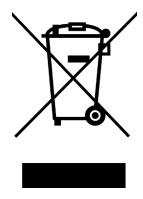
LaboDoser-100 Safety Precaution Sheet

- 1. The operator(s) should be fully instructed in the use of the equipment, any connected equipment and accessories and the applied consumables according to the relevant Instruction Manuals.
- 2. The equipment must be placed on a safe and stable table with an adequate working height. All functions on the machine and any connected equipment must be in working order.
- Alcohol based consumables: follow the current safety rules for handling, mixing, filling, emptying and disposal of the alcohol-based liquids.
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Disposal

Equipment marked with a WEEE symbol (a) contain electrical and electronic components and must not be disposed of as general waste.

Please contact your local authorities for information on the correct method of disposal in accordance with national legislation.

User's Guide

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1. Getting Started

Checking the Contents

In the packing box you should find the following parts:

- 1 LaboForce-100
- 1 Connection piece ø6 to 1/8"
- 1 Allen key w. Cross Handle 4x150 1

Spacing disc

1 Instruction Manual Set

Unpacking LaboForce-100

- Cut the packing tape on the top of the box.
- Remove the loose parts.
- Remove LaboForce-100 from the box.

Placing LaboForce-100

LaboForce-100 is to be mounted on a Struers LaboPol-30 or -60 grinding/ polishing machine.

Getting Acquainted with LaboForce-100

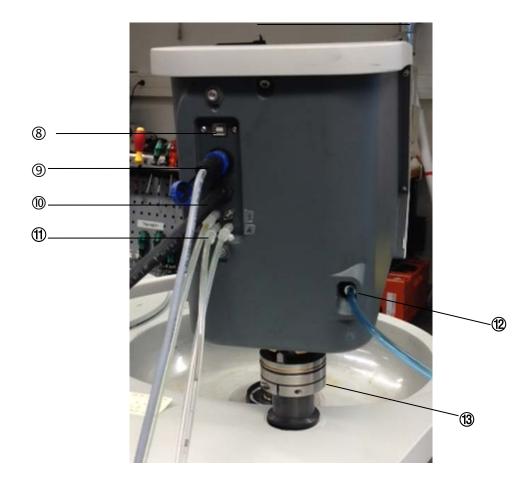
LaboForce-100 mounted on LaboPol-30 (accessory):

Take a moment to familiarise yourself with the location and names of the LaboForce-100 components.



- ① Control Panel
- ② LED lights (not shown)
- ③ Specimen mover head
- ④ Button for release of specimen holder/ mover plate
- ⑤ Dosing block with nozzles
- 6 Emergency stop
- ② LaboDoser-100 (accessory)

Rear view



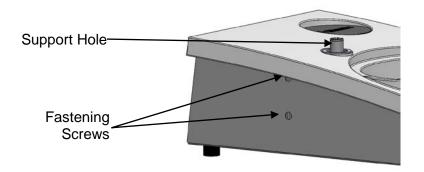
- USB connection, for service purposesSocket for LaboDoser-100 (accessory)
- Power cable
- Supply tubes from LaboDoser-100 (accessory)Compressed air inlet
- 3 Adjustment ring

Mounting LaboForce-100

Note:

Do Not use the Turn/ Push knob to move LaboForce-100.

- Lead the LaboForce-100 supporting column down into the support hole.
- Tighten the 2 fastening screws.



Electrical Connection

The cable attached to LaboForce-100 provides both a 24V power supply to the LaboForce-100 and a data bus, which enables the LaboPol and LaboForce-100 to communicate

- Switch LaboPol off.
- Connect the cable from LaboForce-100 to the Sample Mover connector on the rear of the LaboPol.

Compressed Air Connections

To connect compressed air:

- Mount the quick coupling on the compressed air hose and secure it with the hose clamp supplied.
- Connect the air inlet hose to the quick coupling and fit the other end into the compressed air inlet on LaboForce-100.

IMPORTANT

The air pressure must be between 6 bar (87 psi) and 9.9 bar (144 psi).

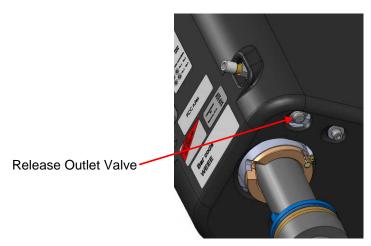
Note:

LaboForce-100 requires a continuous flow of compressed air through the regulator valve — a faint hissing sound does not mean that there is an air leak.

Emptying the Water / Oil Filter

LaboForce-100 is fitted with a water / oil filter that removes excessive amounts of these substances from the compressed air supply. As a result of this, it is necessary to empty the filter periodically:

- Locate the release outlet valve at the bottom of the LaboForce-100 head.
- Hold a cloth under the filter to retain any water released and press the release valve.



Inserting Specimen Holders or Specimen Mover Plates

LaboForce-100 can be used with either specimen mover plates for single specimens or specimen holders.

Inserting a Specimen Holder

- Press the Raise/Lower ♦ key to ensure that the head is fully raised.
- Push the black button on the head.
- Insert the specimen holder and rotate it until the three pins are aligned and then push the holder upwards until it locks in position.
- Release the black button on the head and ensure that the specimen holder is securely fixed.

WARNING!

When working with specimen holders make sure that the screws clamping the specimens do not stick out of the specimen holder.
Use different length of screws for specimens with different diameters.

NOTE!

Max. height of specimens in the specimen holder is 32 mm. Otherwise the specimen holder cannot be placed in the head.

Inserting a Specimen Mover Plate

- Use the Raise/Lower ♦ key to ensure that head is fully raised.
- Push the black button on the head. Insert the specimen mover plate and rotate it until the three pins are aligned and then push the specimen mover plate upwards until it locks in position.
- Release the black button on the head and ensure that the specimen mover plate is securely fixed.

Lowering the Specimen Mover Head

■ Press the Raise/Lower ♦ key to lower the specimen mover head into position ready for preparation.

The distance between the preparation disc and the specimen mover plate should be about 3 mm.

For adjusting the distance please see: *Adjusting the Specimen Mover Plate Height*.

Adjusting the Specimen Mover Position

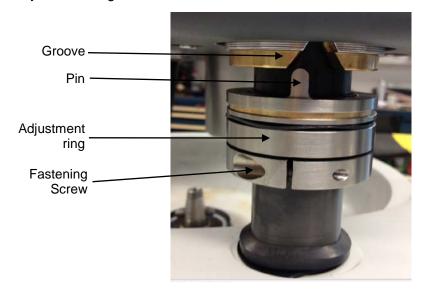
Height of Specimen Mover

With a specimen mover plate mounted.

- Place a preparation surface on the MD-Disc.
 Select the 'thickest' preparation surface that is to be used.
 Usually, this will be a SiC grinding paper on an MD-Gekko.
- Place the Spacing disc (supplied) on the preparation surface.



Support the LaboForce-100 head and loosen the screw in the Adjustment ring.



- Press the Raise/Lower ♦ key to lower the specimen mover head (An error message will appear as the specimen mover head is not in contact with the Adjustment ring).
- Move the Adjustment ring up until the pin slots into the V-shaped groove on the LaboForce-100 cabinet.
- Tighten the adjustment ring to fix in this position.
- Press Enter to clear the error message.
- Press the Raise/Lower ♦ key to raise the specimen mover head

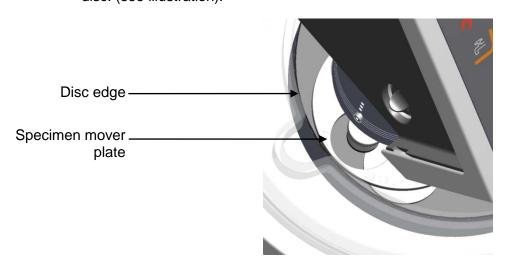
Adjusting the Horizontal Position of the Specimen Holder / Mover Plate

With MD-Disc

With a specimen holder / mover plate mounted.

- Press the Raise/Lower * key to lower the specimen mover head.
- Loosen the 2 fastening screws holding the LaboForce-100 supporting column.
- Move the LaboForce head to the right.

 The specimen holder / mover plate should be positioned to allow the specimen to run 3 4 mm over the edge of the preparation disc. (see illustration).



Important

The LaboForce-100 supporting column can only be turned slightly.

Do not force.

Firmly tighten the 2 fastening screws to secure the supporting column in position.

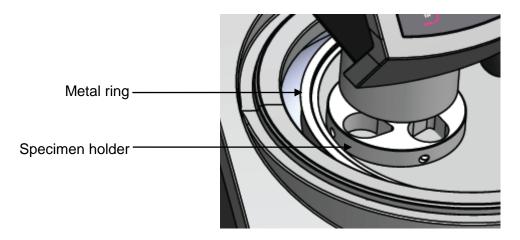
IMPORTANT

Having adjusted the position, tighten the screws **firmly**. The supporting column will now remain in position.

■ Cover the holes with the two caps (supplied)

With Wet Grinding Disc

■ Move the LaboForce head to the right.
 The specimen holder / mover plate should be positioned 2 – 3 mm from the metal ring. (see illustration).



Important

The LaboForce-100 supporting column can only be turned slightly.

Do not force.

■ Firmly tighten the 2 fastening screws to secure the supporting column in position.

IMPORTANT

Having adjusted the position, tighten the screws **firmly**. The supporting column will now remain in position.

Cover the holes with the two caps (supplied)

LaboDoser-100 with LaboForce-100

LaboDoser-10 with LaboForce-100



See Connecting a LaboDoser-100 on page 12.

A Table Stand (Cat nr. 06376904) is required for using a LaboDoser-10 drip lubricator with a LaboForce-100 specimen mover.

2. Connecting a LaboDoser-100

Checking the Contents of the Packing Box

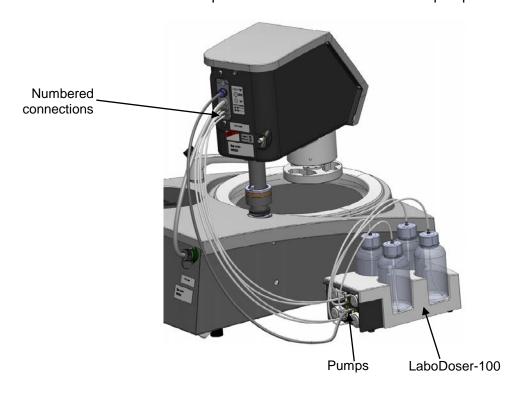
In the packing box you should find the following parts:

- 1 LaboDoser-100
- 1 Dosing bottle box with bottles and built-in pumps
- 1 Set of tubes (4 long, 4 short)
- 1 Spiral hose (to house tubes)
- 1 Set of Instruction Manuals

Mounting the Dosing Modules

- Position LaboDoser-100 next to LaboPol.
- Fill the bottles with Suspension/ Lubricant. (Or screw the bottle caps with fitted tubes onto 500 ml Struers Suspension/ Lubricant bottles).
- Connect the bottles to the pumps (marked IN) using the short pieces of tube.
- Fit the long pieces of tube onto the rear of LaboForce-100 then connect to the pumps (marked OUT).

 The pumps and the connections on the rear of LaboForce-100 are numbered to help connect the tubes to the correct pump.



- Place the section of spiral hose around the tubes.
 Make sure that the tubes are not taut, so that the LaboForce-100 head can be turned freely.

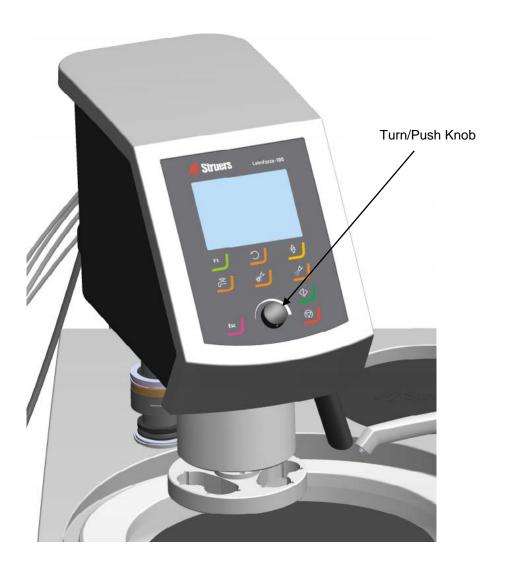
Note:

LaboDoser-100 is not designed for use with Oxide Polishing suspensions.
Use a LaboDoser-10 if Oxide Polishing is required.

3. Basic Operation of LaboForce-100

LaboForce-100 Control Panel

The LaboForce-100 control Panel is used to operate the LaboPol machine.

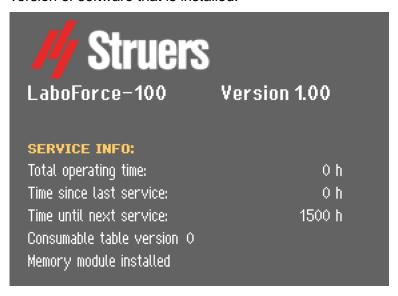


Front Panel Controls

	Key	Function		Key	Function
FUNCTION KEY	F1	Controls for various purposes. See the bottom line of the individual screens.	WATER	RC P	Manual override - push button to apply water (applies water when no process is running). Push button again to stop applying water (water will automatically switch off after 5 min.)
DISC ROTATION	\mathbb{C}	Starts rotation of the disc. (Spin-Function)	ABRASIVE		Only active when dosing units are installed. Manual override – push button to apply diamond suspension from the doser bottle.
LOWER/ RAISE	*	Lowers & raises the specimen mover head when preparing single specimens or when adjusting positions of specimen mover plate or specimen holder.	LUBRICANT		Only active when dosing units are installed. Manual override – push button to apply lubricant from the doser bottle.
			START	\diamondsuit	Starts the preparation process.
			STOP		Stops the preparation process.
ESC	Esc	Returns to the Main Menu or aborts functions/changes.	Turn/Push Knob		Used for entering and changing steps and parameters. Combined cursor and enter key. Enables selected parameter values to be activated for editing. Saves the edited parameter values. Toggles when only 2 options available.

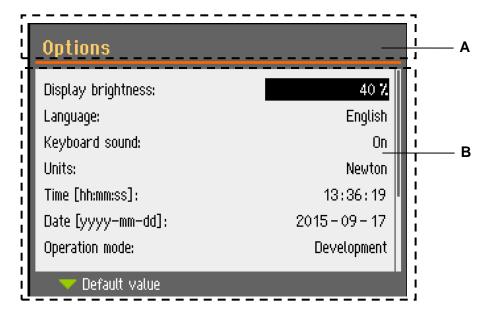
Reading the Display

The display on the front panel provides different levels of status information. For example, when the machine is switched on using the Mains switch located at the rear of the machine, the display informs you about the physical configuration of the LaboForce-100 and the version of software that is installed:



When operating the LaboForce-100, this display is the user-interface to LaboForce-100's software.

The display is primarily divided into 2 areas. The position of these areas and the information they contain are explained in the illustration below, which uses the *Options* menu as an example:



- **A** Heading: this is a navigational aid, telling you where you are in the software's hierarchy.
- **B** Information fields: these will be either numerical values or text fields, providing information associated with the process shown in the heading. The inverted text shows the cursor position.

Manoeuvring in the Menu Structure To select items in the menu:

Turn knob to select a menu, method group or a parameter.

Push knob to open or activate the selection.

Esc. Press Esc to return to the Main menu.

Tip:

To return to the last method that was active, press ESC from the Main Menu.

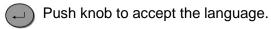
Software Settings

When switching LaboForce-100 on for the first time, the *Select language* screen will appear (to change the language after this, refer to "*Changing the Language*)".





Turn knob to select the language you prefer.



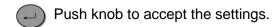
You will now be prompted to set the time.







Turn knob to select and to adjust the settings.



You will now be prompted to set the date.



Turn knob to select and to adjust the settings.



Push knob to accept the settings.



When Time and Date have been set, turn knob to select Save and Exit.

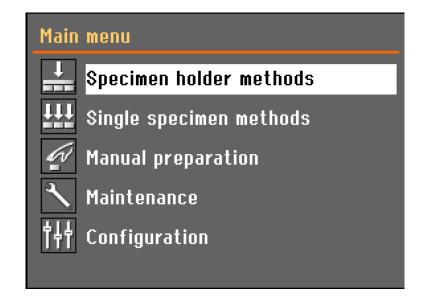


Push knob to Save and Exit (Save the settings and return to the Main menu).

The *Main menu* now appears in the language you have chosen.

During normal operation, immediately after start up, where the splash screen is displayed, the software goes to the screen that was used before the machine was switched off. Thus you can continue exactly where you left last time the machine was used.

To go to the *Main menu*, use the **Esc** key. The *Main Menu* is the highest level in the menu structure. From this menu, you can enter all the other menus.



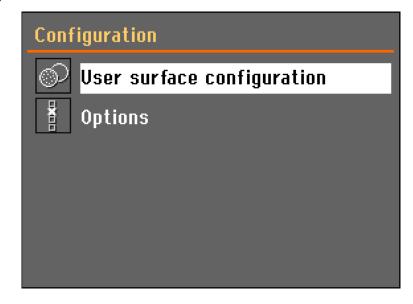
Changing the Language

Turn the knob to select Configuration.

Push knob to activate the Configuration Menu.

Turn the knob to select Options

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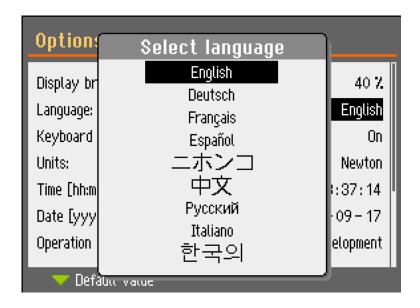
Push knob to activate the *Options Menu*.

Turn knob to select Language.

Push knob to activate the Select language pop-up menu.

Turn knob to select the language you prefer.

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Push knob to accept the language.

The *Configuration* menu now appears in the language you have chosen.

Check if there are any other settings that need changing in the *Options* menu. If not, Push **ESC** to return to the *Configuration* menu.

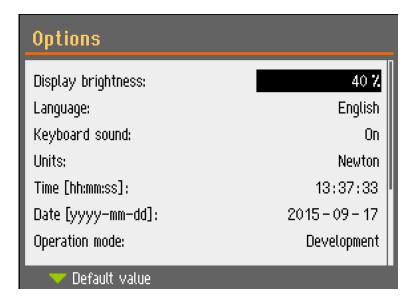
Otherwise use the Turn/Push knob to select and change the required parameters.

Editing Numeric Values



Turn knob to select the value to be changed, e.g. *Display brightness:*

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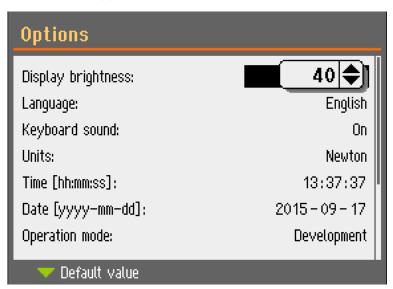




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Push knob to edit the value.

A scroll box appears around the value.



↓ Note:

If there are only two options, the popup box is not displayed. Pressing the knob (Enter) will toggle between the 2 options.



Turn knob to increase or decrease the numeric value (or to toggle between the two options).



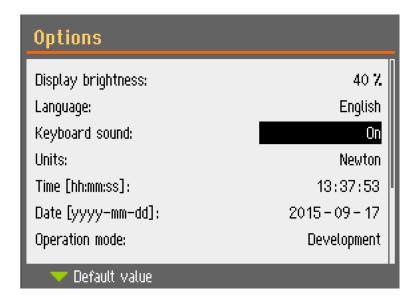
Push knob to accept the new value. (Pressing **Esc**, aborts the changes, preserving the original value.)

Editing Alphanumeric Values



Turn knob to to select the text value to be changed, e.g. *Keyboard sound:*

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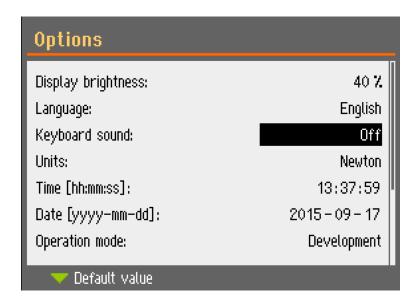






Push knob to toggle between the 2 options.

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↓ Note:

If there are more than two options, a popup box is displayed. Turn knob to select the correct option.



Press **Esc** to accept the option and return to the previous menu

Or turn knob to select and edit other options in the menu.

Operation Mode

In Operation mode 3 different user levels can be set.

Production: Methods: can be selected and viewed

Options: some options can be edited

Development: Methods: can be selected, viewed and edited

Options: some options can be edited

Configuration: Methods: can be selected, viewed and edited and bottles

can be configured.

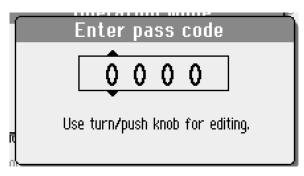
Options: all options can be edited

Changing Operation Mode

To change the operation mode, go to the *Configuration* menu and then the *Options* menu. Select **Operation mode** to get access to the *Operation mode* menu.



Push knob to select Pass code.

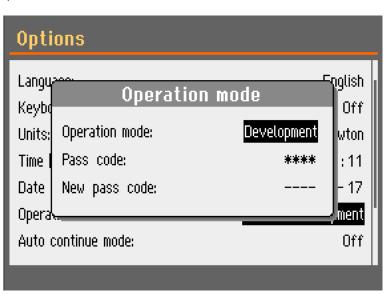


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Use the Turn/ Push knob to enter the current pass code (The default pass code is '2750'.):

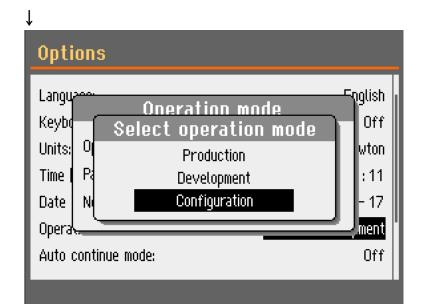
- Turn knob to change the digits
- Press knob to enter the pass code.

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Push knob to select Configuration.





Select the desired operation mode and push knob to confirm.



A New pass code can also be selected from the *Operation mode* menu.

Important!

Remember to make a note of the new Pass code as settings can no longer be changed without the Pass code.

User Surfaces

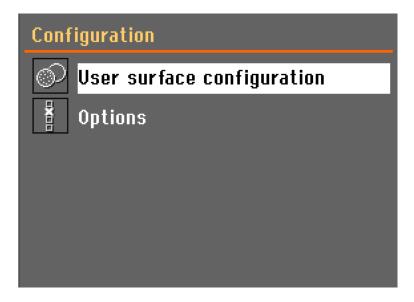
Up to 10 User Surfaces can be defined and saved.

Turn the knob to select Configuration.

Push knob to activate the Configuration Menu.

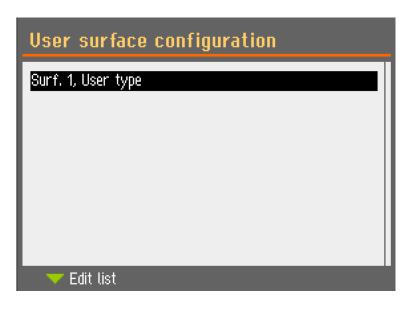
Turn the knob to select *User surface configuration*

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Push knob to activate the *User surface configuration* menu.

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F1 Press F1 to rename the surface or to enter a new surface.

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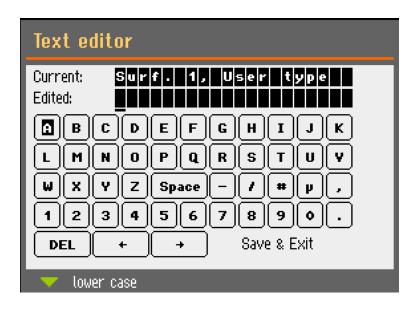


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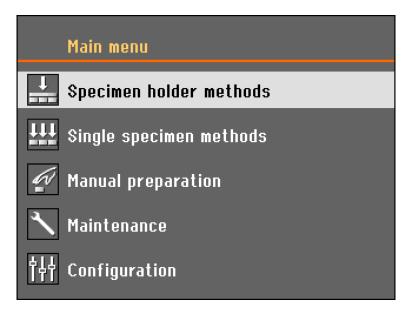
Use knob to activate the Text Editor menu.

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Selecting a Preparation Mode

Three different preparation modes can be selected



- Specimens can be clamped in specimen holders and prepared
- Specimens are prepared as single specimens
- Specimens can be prepared manually

Select the appropriate preparation mode by turning the knob and activate the selection by pushing the knob.

The first screen displays the Methods. On a new machine only one method is shown.

The contents of the Methods are identical, no matter if *Specimen holder methods* or *Single specimen methods* is selected.

A method created in one selection is automatically created in the other selection as well.

All method parameters are exactly the same when a method is created initially, except for the force. The relation between single specimen force and specimen holder force is 1 to 6, i.e. 30 N in single specimen mode will be 180 N in specimen holder mode and vice versa.

However, when a method parameter such as time is changed later on, the other method will **not** be updated with the new values. This will allow for individual modifications due to specimen size and/or number.

NB!

If a preparation surface or suspension is changed in a method, this **will** be reflected in the other method.

Selecting a Preparation Method



Turn knob to select either *Specimen holder methods* or *Single specimen methods*.



Push knob to open the group view.

Important!

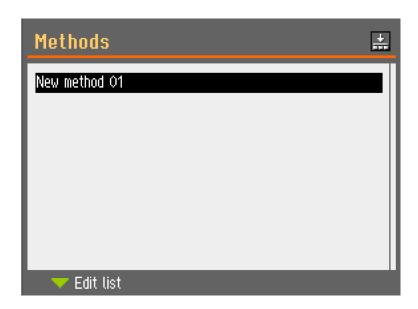
A small icon in the top right corner shows if *Specimen holder methods* or *Single specimen methods* are selected.



Indicates Specimen holder methods



Indicates Single specimen methods

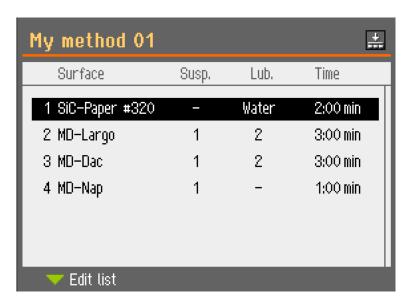


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Turn knob to select a Method.

Push knob to open the step view.

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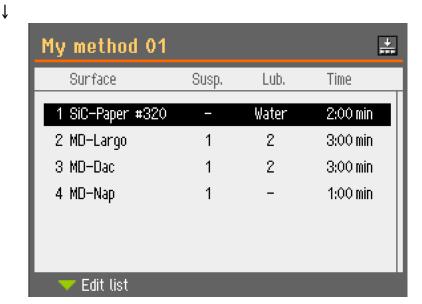


Editing a Preparation Method

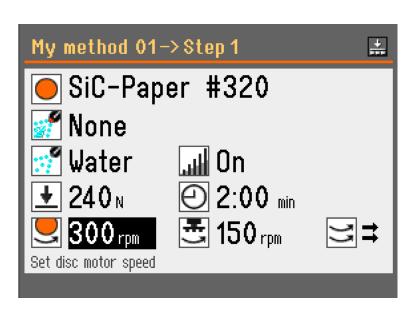
All parameters can be changed to optimise the preparation method.

Use the knob to select a Method.

Push knob to open the method and display the steps.



Push knob to display the parameters.



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Default settings for a typical preparation process are already selected. e.g.:

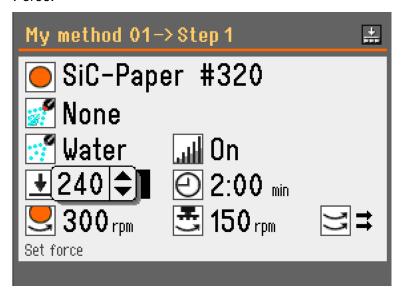
Step No. 1 is designed to be a plane grinding step.

Step No. 2 is designed to be a fine grinding step.

Step No. 3 is designed to be a polishing step.

Change the settings to optimise the preparation method.

Use the knob to select the parameter to be edited e.g. *Force*.



Use the knob to edit the parameter/ value and push the knob to confirm the new value. (Pressing **Esc**, aborts the changes, preserving the original value.)

My method 01-> Step 1

SiC-Paper #320

None

None

Vater

200

2:00 min

300 rpm

150 rpm

Set force

To add new steps:

Press F1 to add or delete steps.

New steps are automatically added to the end of the list. Modifications to the steps are saved automatically. Methods can have up to 20 steps. Up to 3 methods can be saved.

Renaming a Method

To rename a method:.

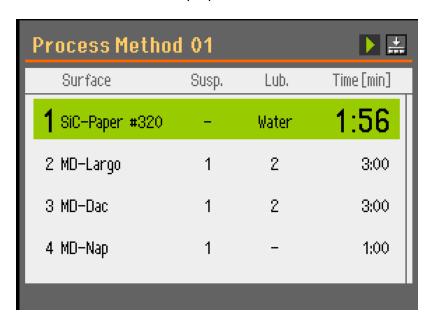
Press F1 to edit or delete Methods in the list.

Up to 3 methods can be saved in LaboForce-100.

Starting the Preparation Process

Once the desired method has been selected,

■ Press Start ♦ to start the preparation.

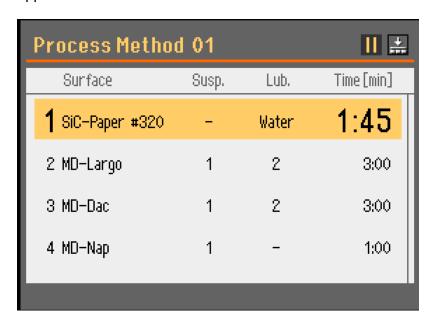


Stopping the Process

The process stops automatically when the set preparation time has expired

To stop the process before the set preparation time has expired, press \odot .

The process will now be paused and the Pause icon will appear:



■ Press Start

to continue the preparation.

Or

lacktriangle Press Stop lacktriangle again, to abort the preparation.

Spin Function

After a grinding process has finished, the built-in Spin function can be used to rotate the preparation disc at high speed to remove water from the surface of the disc.

This function can be used to remove water from a MD-grinding disc or a SiC-paper before removing it, or to dry an MD-Disc or an MD-Chem cloth.

150 rpm

- Press the Disc key ⊃ to start the Spin function (150rpm).
- Press the Disc key again, to stop the Spin function.

600 rpm

- Press **and hold** the Disc key to start the Spin function (600rpm).
- Release the Disc key to stop the Spin function.

4. Operating LaboForce-100

Changing the Specimen Holder / Specimen Mover Plate

If specimens of another diameter are to be prepared, a different specimen holder or specimen mover plate must be used. See *Inserting Specimen Holders or Specimen Mover Plates*.

Manual Preparation



Warning!

While grinding manually, be careful not to touch the grinding disc.

Do not attempt to collect a specimen from the tray

while the disc is running.

Whilst the disc is rotating, ensure hands are kept well clear of its periphery and out of the splash bowl.

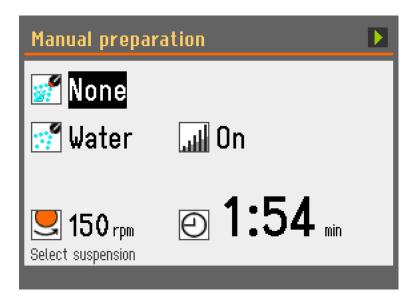
If a specimen cannot be prepared using a standard specimen mover plate or specimen holder, it can be prepared manually.

■ From the *Main menu*, select *Manual preparation*.



- Select the suspension bottle number and dosing level.
- Select the lubricant bottle number and pre-dosing and dosing level.
- Set the Speed and Time.

■ Press Start Φ.
The disc will start turning at the pre-set speed and dosing will commence.

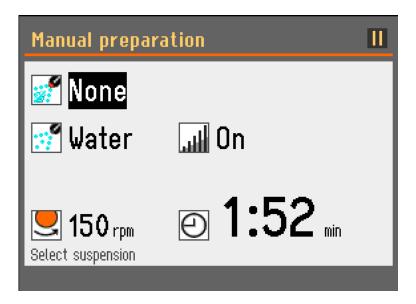


Stopping the Process

The disc and dosing will stop automatically when the pre-set time expires.

To stop both the disc and the dosing before the time has expired, press Stop $\widehat{\nabla}$.

The process will now be paused and the Pause icon will appear



lacktriangle Press Start igoplus to continue the preparation.

Or ■ Press Stop to abort the preparation.

5. Maintenance

Daily

- Clean all accessible surfaces with a moist cloth.
- Check and refill the dosing bottles.

Tip:

Do not use a dry cloth as the surfaces are not scratch resistant. Grease and oil can be removed with ethanol or isopropanol.

IMPORTANT

Never use acetone, benzol or similar solvents.

Weekly

- Clean painted surfaces and the control panel with a soft damp cloth and common household detergents.
- Clean the pressure feet and pistons applying the force on the specimens and specimen holder. (Select the *Maintenance* menu and *Cleaning of specimen mover head*).
- Press the release outlet valve to drain the water/oil filter (please see section on *Emptying the Water / Oil Filter*).

Yearly

Struers recommends that a regular service check be carried out every year.

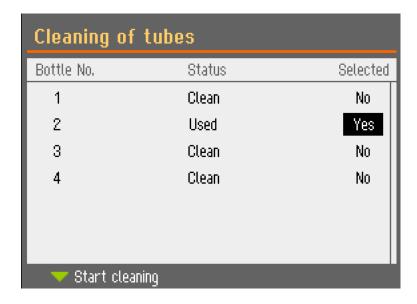
■ Contact Struers Service to service the machine.

Cleaning of Tubes

LaboForce-100 is equipped with an automatic cleaning function for flushing the tubes between the bottles and the dosing nozzles.

To clean the tubes:

■ Go to the *Maintenance* menu and select *Cleaning of tubes* and select the tubes to clean.



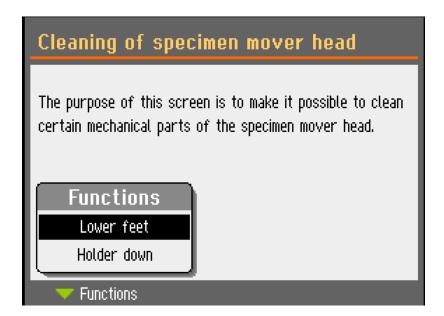
- Press F1 to start the cleaning process.
- Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the operation.

Cleaning of Specimen Mover Head

LaboForce-100 is equipped with a function that allows you to clean the feet applying the force onto the specimens and also the lock that secures the specimen mover plate for single specimens.

To activate these functions:

 Go to the Maintenance menu and select Cleaning of specimen mover head.



Press F1 to activate either of the functions.

Lower feet the pistons can now be cleaned or

lubricated.

Raise feet to move the feet back to operating

position.

Holder up to move the Specimen mover head up for

cleaning.

Holder down to move the Specimen mover head back to

operating position.

IMPORTANT!

Never try to force any of the movements. If the components do not move as they should always contact the Struers technical service.

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1. Advanced Operation

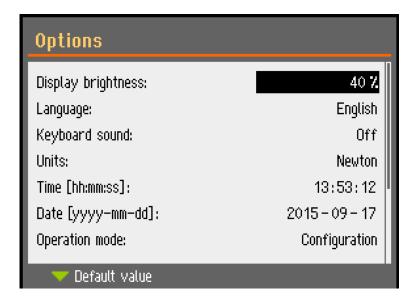
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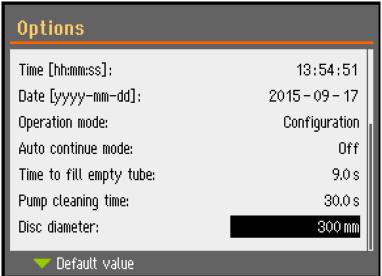
A number of different settings and parameters can be set or adjusted from the *Configuration* menu.

There are 2 under menus:

- Options
- User surface configuration

Options menu

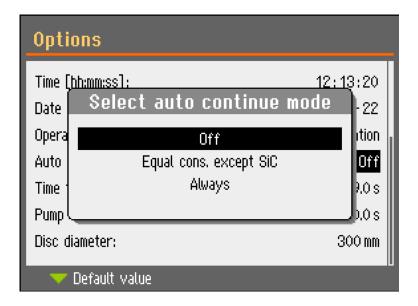




Default value:

To re-set the setting to default value, press the F1 key on the Control Panel.

Auto continue mode



Auto continue mode can be set for LaboForce-100 to automatically continue to the next step in a method (as long as the consumables used are the same).

Equal cons. except SiC

LaboForce-100 will not proceed to the next step when grinding with SiC as the paper will need to be exchanged between the steps.

Recommendations for Grinding Single Specimens

Do not use plane grinding with coarse abrasives when preparing single specimens. It is normally not necessary, and the use of coarse abrasives can result in un-plane specimens.

If, for whatever reason, it is necessary to grind using coarse abrasive, the planeness may be improved using the following recommendations:

- The height of the specimen should be between 8 35 mm and not exceed 0.7 x specimen diameter.
 Example: A specimen with a diameter of 30 mm should not be higher than 30 x 0.7 = 21 mm.
- Use as small a grain size as possible.
- Use a mounting resin with a wear resistance similar to the specimens wear resistance.
- Use 150 rpm for both grinding disc and specimen mover.
 (When using lower speeds decrease the speed on both the disc and the specimen mover).
- Use co-rotation. (both the disc and the Specimen Mover Head rotate counterclockwise).
- Use low force.
- Position specimen mover head of LaboForce-100 so that the specimens do *not* pass over the centre of the preparation disc.

2. Accessories and Consumables

LaboForce-100

Please refer to the *LaboSystem brochure* and the *Consumables Catalogue* for details of the range available.

Specimen Holders

Please refer to the *Struers Specimen Holders brochure* for details of the range available.

Remember...

Struers offers a comprehensive range of consumables for grinding and polishing.

The use of Struers consumables is recommended. Other products (e.g. coolants) may contain aggressive solvents, which dissolve e.g. rubber seals. The warranty may not cover damaged machine parts (e.g. seals and tubes), where the damage can be directly related to the use of non-Struers consumables.

3. Trouble-shooting

Error	Cause	Action
Specimen holder plate vibrates.	Specimen holder plate unbalanced. Specimen holder plate screws loose.	Replace specimen holder plate. Tighten specimen holder plate screws.
The preparation disc runs unevenly or stops.	Speed is lower than 300 rpm.	Increase speed to 300 rpm.
	Force too high.	Reduce the force.
The preparation disc stops.	Frequency inverter has stopped the equipment.	Switch the equipment off. Wait for a few minutes then Restart. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
The column starts to turn.	Column screws loose.	Tighten the screws immediately.
Uneven specimens.	Specimens are wider than the radius of the preparation disc.	Use smaller specimens.

Error Messages Error messages are divided into two classes:

Messages and Errors

Messages are intended to inform the operator of the machine's

progress and advise about minor operational errors.

Errors must be rectified before operation can be continued.

Press **ENTER** to acknowledge the error/message.

Error Message	#	Explanation	Action
Fatal error #3 Machine failed during Power On Self Testing. Please reboot the machine. If the problem persists please contact Struers technical support Reason: # Unknown error	3	Failure of internal communication on Start-up.	If the <i>Reason</i> is the Struers Memory Module (SMM), remove and then re-insert the (SMM). Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service Please make a note of the <i>Reason</i> number.
Error #28 Specimen holder cannot be moved down. Down proximity sensor has not detected bottom position.	28		Check there are no obstacles preventing the movement of the specimen holder. Check the pneumatic system. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Warning #29 No air or air pressure too low!	29	Pressure of the compressed air supply is too low.	Check the compressed air supply.

Error Message	#	Explanation	Action
Error #30 Pressure regulating error!	30	Pressure of the compressed air supply is too high/low.	Check the compressed air supply. Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Error #34 Specimen mover plate cannot be moved down. Down proximity sensor has not detected bottom position.	34		Check there are no obstacles preventing the movement of the specimen mover plate. Check the pneumatic system. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Error #46 Disc motor RPM's has not been reached.	46	Disc motor will not rotate or cannot reach the set RPM. Polishing process is paused.	Start the process again. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Error #48 Frequency inverter error! The disc motor is overloaded. Fault code: 0.0 Thermal level: 0% Ok	48		Wait for the disc motor to cool. Reduce the force and continue the preparation process.
Error #49 The disc motor is overheated! Please wait some minutes and reduce the load. Fault code: 0.0	49		Wait for the disc motor to cool. Reduce the force and continue the preparation process.
Error #50 Frequency inverter fault! Fault code: 0.0	50	An error in the frequency inverter is detected.	Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service. Please make a note of the Fault code.

Error Message	#	Explanation	Action
Error #53 Specimen mover motor power supply out of range or missing!	53		Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Error #55 No communication to frequency inverter!	55		Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Warning #58 A bad electrical connection for the following output is detected:	58		Re-start. If error remains, contact Struers Service. Please make a note of the output named.
Warning #59 Specimen holder motor overload, please reduce the force.	59		Reduce the force or/and increase the specimen RPMs. Start the process again. If error remains, contact Struers Service.
Message	#	Explanation	Action
Information #26 Specimen mover plate not lowered!	26	The pneumatic head with specimen mover plate is not down when the process is started. Appears if method is started in single specimen mode (SS) and mover plate is not lowered.	Lower the pneumatic head. Start the process again.

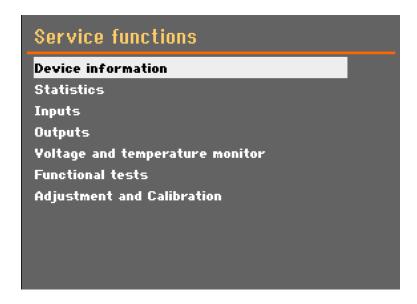
4. Service

Service Information

LaboForce-100 offers extensive information about the conditions of all different components.

To reach this function:

■ Go to the *Maintenance* menu and select: Service information.



Various topics can be selected for information on the condition of the different components.

Service information can also be used in cooperation with Struers Service for remote diagnostics of the equipment.

Service information is read-only information, machine settings cannot be changed or modified.

NOTE:

The Service Information menus are in English only.
Using the same names/ terms is useful when communicating with your local Service Technician or the Struers Customer Service department.

Service Check

Struers recommends that a regular service check be carried out after every 1500 hours of use. Information on total operation time and servicing of the machine is displayed on the screen at start-up:



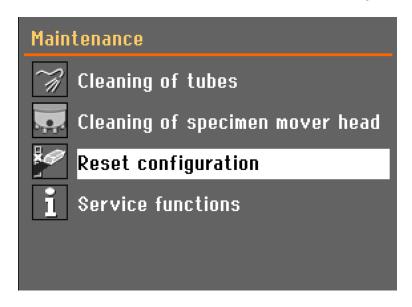
A pop-up message will appear after 1,500 hours operation time to alert the user that the recommended service interval has been exceeded.

■ Contact Struers Service to service the machine.

Reset Configuration

It can become necessary to reset the configuration to the factory settings using the *Reset Configuration* menu.

■ Go to the *Maintenance* menu and select: *Reset* Configuration.



Reset Configuration

- Select *Reset configuration* to set all configuration parameters back to their default settings.
- Switch LaboForce-100 off, then on again and reconfigure the settings.

Tip!

It is advisable to make a note of your own customised settings before carrying out a *Reset configuration*.

5. Technical Data

Subject		Specifications	
	Motor output	180 W	
	Rotational speed	50-150 rpm at 50/60 Hz	
	Rotational direction	Clockwise / Counter-clockwise	
	Force, Individual specimens	10-50 N	
	Force, Specimen holder	30-300N	
Safety Standards	Please refer to the Declaration of	of Conformity	
Noise Level	57 dB (A) running at idle, at a di	stance of 0.25m/10" from the machine	
Power Supply	LaboForce-100 is connected dir	ectly to LaboPol-30 or LaboPol-60	
Software and	Controls	Touch pad and push/turn knob	
electronics	Memory	FLASH-ROM / RAM / NV-RAM	
	LC display	TFT-colour 320x240 dots with LED back light	
Operating	Surrounding temperature	5-40°C / 41-104°F	
environment	Humidity (Non condensing)	0-95% RH	
Supply	Air inlet	6 mm/ 1/4" dia.	
	Air pressure	6-9.9 bar / 87-143 psi	
	Air quality	Recommended quality: ISO 8573-1, class 5.6.4.	
Dimensions and	Width	20.3 cm / 8"	
Weight	Depth	43.3 cm / 17.0"	
	Height	57.4 cm / 22.6"	
	Weight	20.5 kg / 45.2 lbs	



English

Declaration of Conformity

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Herewith declares that

Name: LaboForce-50 /-100/-Mi

Cat. No.: 06356127 / 06366127 / 06386130

Function: Specimen mover Type No.: 635 / 636 / 638

fulfils all the relevant provisions of the:

Machinery Directive according to the following standard(s):

2006/42/EC EN ISO 12100:2010, EN 60204-1:2006/AC:2010.

and is in conformity with the:

EMC Directive according to the following standard(s):

2014/30/EU EN 61000-6-1:2007, EN 61000-6-3:2007/A1:2011.

RoHS Directive according to the following standard(s):

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Supplementary Information The equipment complies with the following standards:

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Name: LaboDoser-100
Cat. No.: 06376902
Function: Dosing unit
Type No.: 637

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Spare Parts and Diagrams



LaboForce-100 LaboDoser-100 Spare Parts and Diagrams

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Some of the drawings may contain position numbers not used in connection with this manual.

LaboForce-100 LaboDoser-100 Spare Parts and Diagrams

The following is a list of the spare parts that may need replacement during the lifetime of the equipment.

To check the availability of other replacement parts, please contact your local Struers Service Technician. It may help identify the part by referral to its position number on the assembly drawings included in this manual.

Spare part list for LaboForce-100

Drawing 16360001

Doo	Spare Dark	Catna
Pos.	Spare Part	Cat no:
	LaboForce-100,complete	
10	Chassis w.pneu.a.HM,assembled	16360010
20	LF-100 Cabinet top,assembly	16360012
30	Hex.sock.scr. M5x10 A2 ISO7380, 3 pcs.	2TR80510
40	Hex.sock.scr. M5x12 A2 DIN912	2TR50512
50	Ejot Easyboss V 40	2GT00040
60	Ejot scr. DeltaPT wn5451 40x16	2TX04016
70	Cable tie 2.5x100 mm	2GK80010
80	Wireset, Laboforce-100	16363590
90	LaboForce-100,M Ref.Tags White	77205764
100	Printed type pl.70x32,bar,WEEE	77206018
110	Label Final Test Approved Big	10161005
120	Label: FCC rules	10160181
130	Label for connector plate	10160557
140	Label Warning for air 9,9/6bar	10160556

Spare part list for LaboForce-100

Drawing	
16360010	

Pos.	Spare Part	Cat no:
	Chassis w.pneu.a.HM,assembled	
10	LF-100 Cabinet bottom, assembly	16360013
20	Chassis w.column,assembled	16360015
30	Specimen Mover Head, assembled	16360030
40	Pneumatic, assembled	16360056
50	Distance ring	16360229
60	Pulley 32 3M	16030125
70	Washer M5xø30	16030230
80	Ball joint, assembled	16030042
90	Doser hoses and outlet, assem.	16360041
100	Hex.sock.scr. M8x70 A2 DIN912, 3 pcs.	2TR50870
110	Toothed belt GT 3MR-480-09	2JT60480
120	Hex.sock.scr. M5x8 A2 DIN912, 3 pcs.	2TR50508
130	Self-locking nut M5 A2 DIN985, 4 pcs.	2TA40050
140	Washer 5 A2 DIN125A	2ZA10005
150	O-ring 72 NBR 872. 4.00-2.00, 4 pcs.	21010005
160	Silicone hose ø4/ø6	2NU11454
170	O-Ring NBR 70. 5.00-2.00, 4 pcs.	21020005
180	Sock.set scr.M5x30 70A2 DIN916, 4 pcs.	2TI10530
190	Hex.sock.scr. M5x16 A2 DIN7991	2TR70516
200	Crinkle washer M5 A2 BS4463, 6 pcs.	2ZI20503
210	Hex.sock.scr. M5x10 A2 DIN912, 9 pcs.	2TR50510
220	Check-nut M6 A2 DIN439B, 3 pcs.	2TA20060
230	Nylon piece ø17.1-ø17.4/12.7	2GK53331
240	Washer 5 A2 DIN9021A, 4 pcs.	2ZA20005
250	Hex.sock.scr. M5x12 A2 ISO7380, 2 pcs.	2TR80512
260	V-ring VS-0040	2IV00040
270	Crinkle washer M8 A2 BS4463, 3 pcs.	2ZI20804
290	HW plate,assembled	16360080
300	Cable tie 2.5x100 mm	2GK80010
310	Union. straight KQ2S06-M5	2NF90605
320	Force. motor assembl. w. plug	16363556

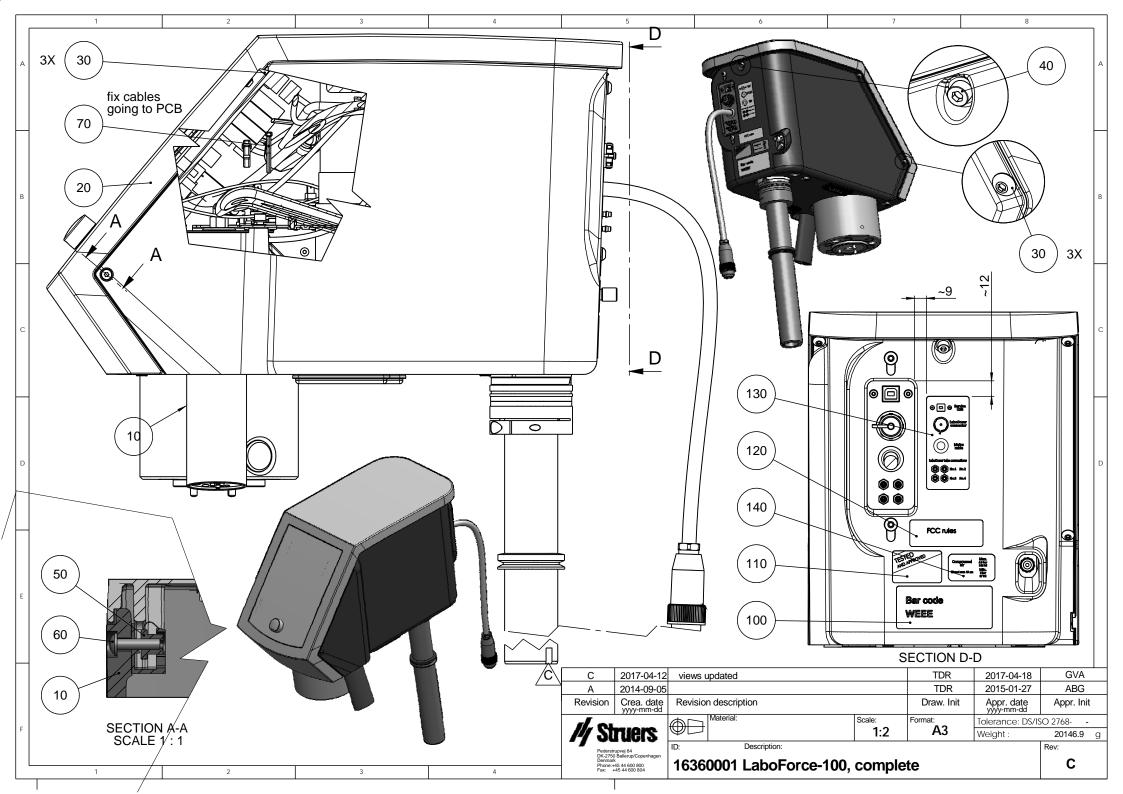
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Drawing	Pos.	Spare Part	Cat no:
16360012		LF-100 Cabinet top,assembly	
	20	Foil, LaboForce-100	16360300
	30	PCB for SMM, Tested	15483004
	40	Knob assembled	15730016
	60	PCB MultiPurpose,Test+Bootload	16013000
	70	Seal PUR shore 80	16030292
	100	Display 320x240 TFT-color, LED	2HD50200
	110	Turn/pushEncoderW.cable6inch24	2HR12413
	120	Bracket for memory stick	16030174
	140	Display Flat Cable, 40p, 210mm	2WF01150
16360015		Chassis w.column,assembled	
	20	Plunger,assembled	16360025
	40	Brake disc	15590225
	50	Column	16360150
	80	Brake calipre, assembl.	15590020
	90	Namur 0,8mm - ø6x18, assembled	15590035
	100	Top yoke,assembled	16360074
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	120	Compression spring 25.25x2.75	15590192
	150	O-Ring NBR 70. 38.0-2.50	21025038
	170	Coupler dir 4-M5, KQ2H04-M5	2NF10009
	180	Fitting elbow d4,M5x0,8	2NF42045
	210	Filter regulator AW10-M5H-2	2YF00008
	240	Union. straight KQ2S04-M5, 2 pcs.	2NF90405
	330	Rotating angle KSL04-M6	2NF10134
16360025		Plunger,assembled	
	110	Piston sealing 428565 ø30/ø8x8	2IR03010
	120	Spring guide	15590162
	130	Plunger	15590163
16360033		Chassis,assembled	
	20	Flange bearing, machined	15590121
	30	Internal circlip J62 DIN472, 2 pcs.	2ZL20620
	40	Shim PS50x62x1 DIN988, 2 pcs.	2ZP50010
	50	Slide bearing PAP 4040 P10	2BG14040
	90	Ball bearing 6007 2RS1 ø35/ø62, 2 pcs.	2BK00110
	100	Wave spring 37x45x0.5	2GF60030
	110	Alignment disc PS 36x45x1.5 DIN 988	2ZP36015

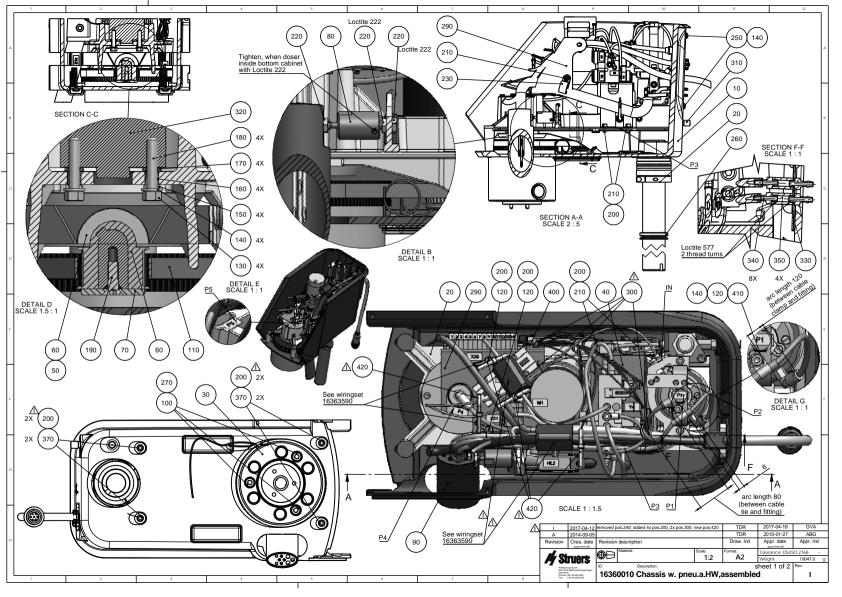
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16360041		Doser hoses and outlet,assem.	
	30	TYGON hose AJK00003 1/16x3/16	2NU91303
	40	TYGON hose AED00007 1/8x1/4	2NU91307
	50	Reduct.piece, angle L230/220-6, 4 pcs.	2NG20088
16360055		Regulation manifold,assembled	
	20	Union. straight KQ2S04-M5, 5 pcs.	2NF90405
	40	Gasket, PVC O-1/8	2IF00011
	50	Sol.valve V114 -5G, NC, 3 pcs.	2YM10125
	60	Sol.valve V114A -5G, NC, 4 pcs.	2YM10126
	70	Sound absorber AN120-M3, 4 pcs.	2YL12003
	90	Silencer AN120-M5	2YL00120
	100	Throt.CheckValve AS1201F-M5-04, 2 pcs.	2YI01201
16360056		Pneumatic,assembled	
	40	Hose PU ø2.5/ø4. TU 0425 BU	2NU14425
16360065		Stop cover,assembled	
	20	O-ring 72 NBR 872. 27.00-1.50	21027015
	30	Piston sealing RT0100120-T10N	2IR01232
	60	O-ring 72 NBR 872. 21-2	21020021
15590013		Friction coupling, assembl.	
	70	O-ring 72 NBR 872. 40.00-4.00	21040070
		HW plate,assembled	
	40	10R Break resistor HSD70A	2RK05701
		Wireset, Laboforce-100	
	40	BP1 w. plug. Laboforce-100	16363554
	50	Namur HQ1 Laboforce-100	16363555
	55	Namur HQ2 Laboforce-100	16363557
	60	LED back light wire extender	2WC60500
	70	LED strip 24V,15W/m	2HL03528
		Loose parts,LaboForce-100	
	10	Connection piece ø6 to 1_8 in	16030057

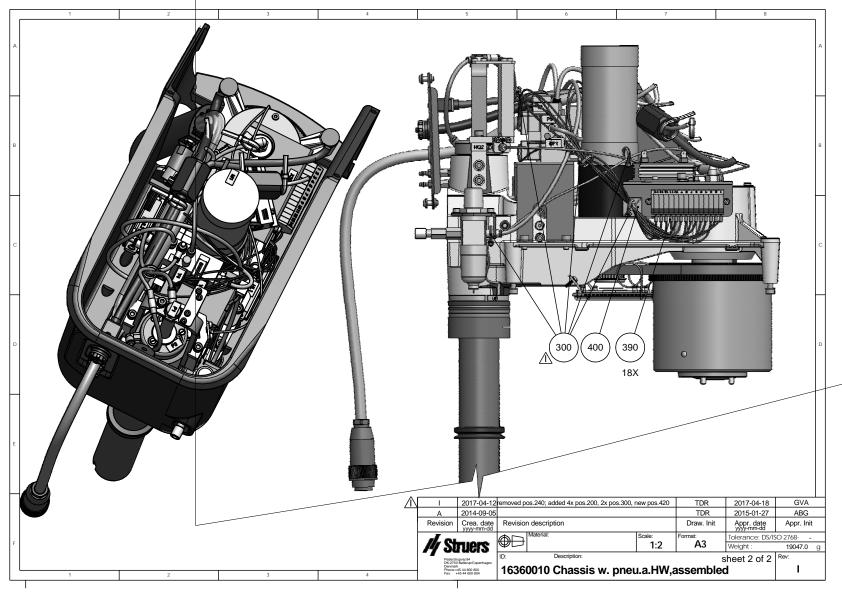
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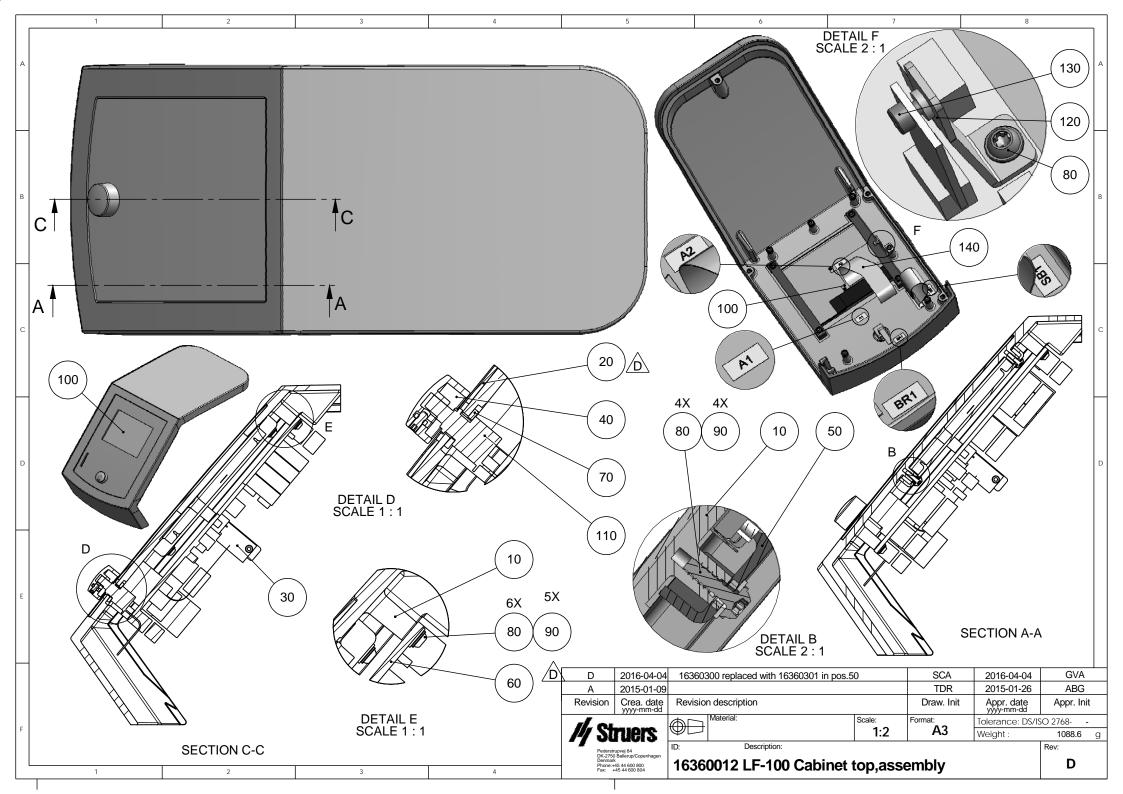
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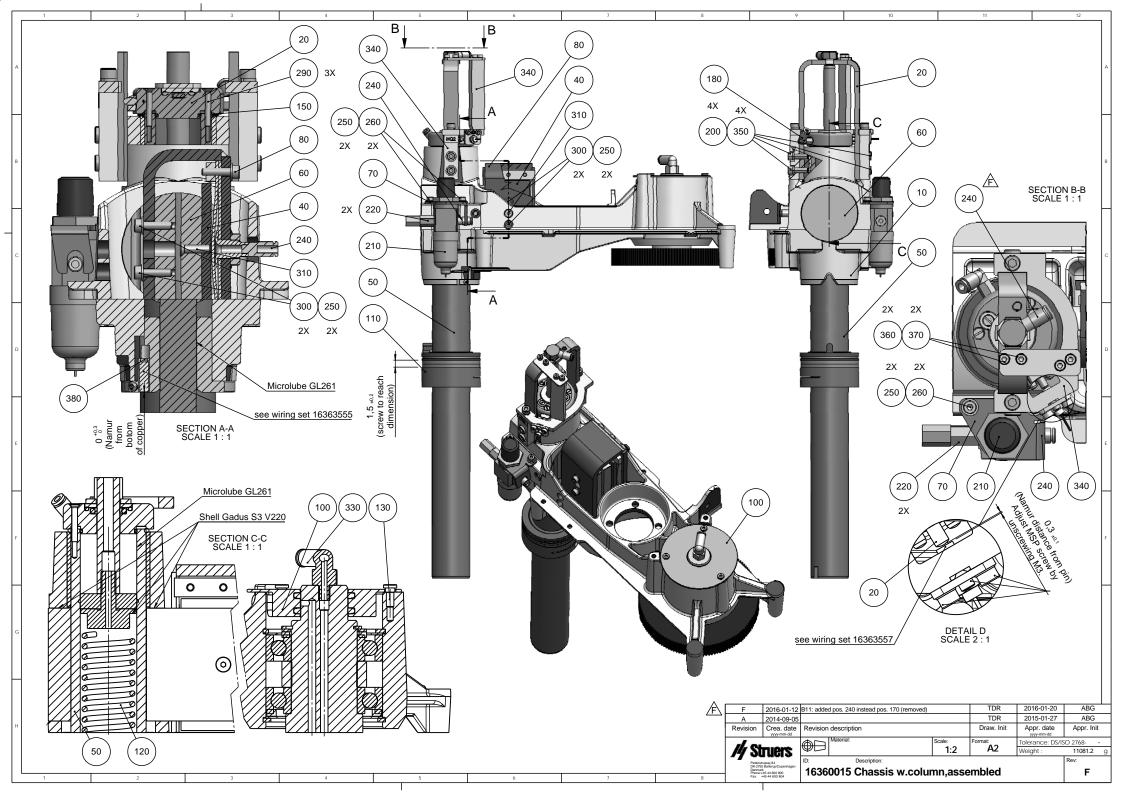
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Drawing	Pos.	Spare Part	Cat no:
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	10	Pump motor w. wire & crimp, 4 pcs.	16373560
	30	Cabinet, painted	16379102
		Loose parts, LaboDoser-100	
	10	TYGON hose AED00007 1/8x1/4	2NU91307
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	30	Spiral hose SPF 15	2WK90015
	50	Bottle ½L, nipple ø3, assem, 4 pcs.	16080611

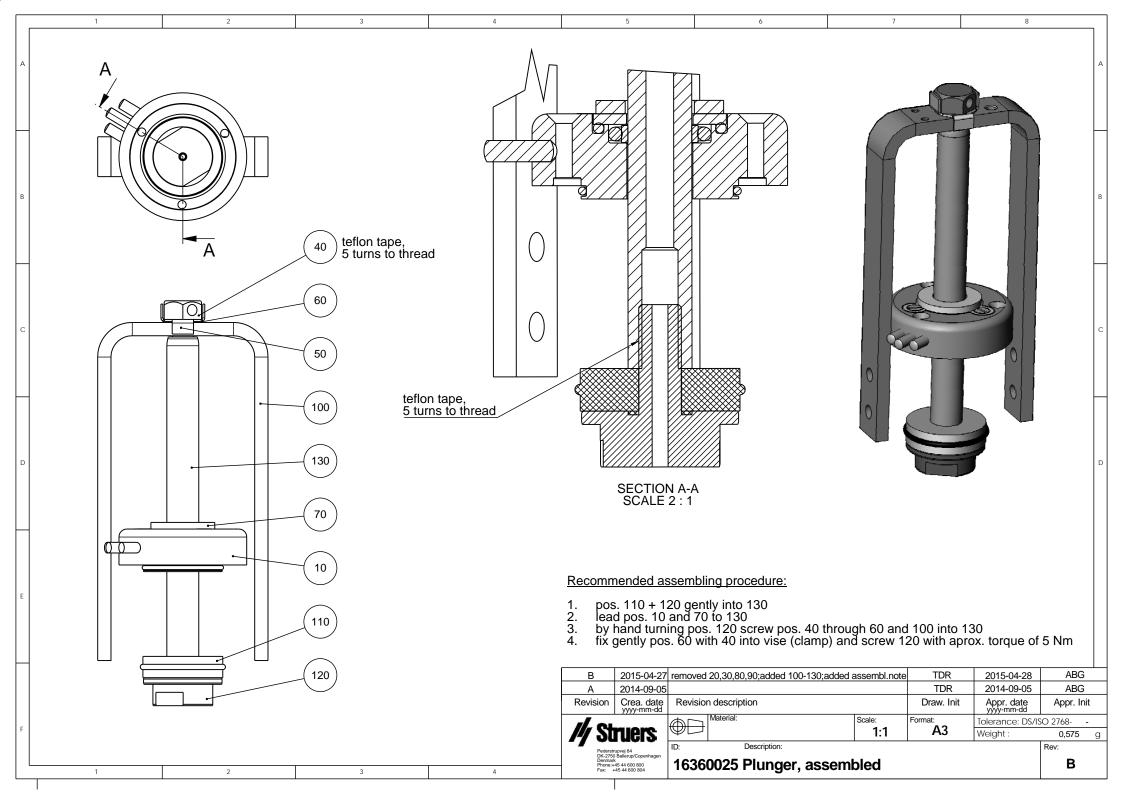


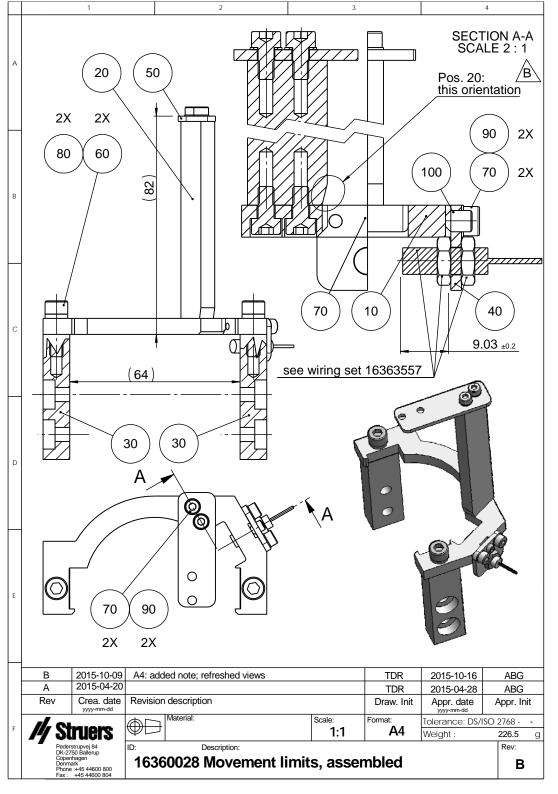


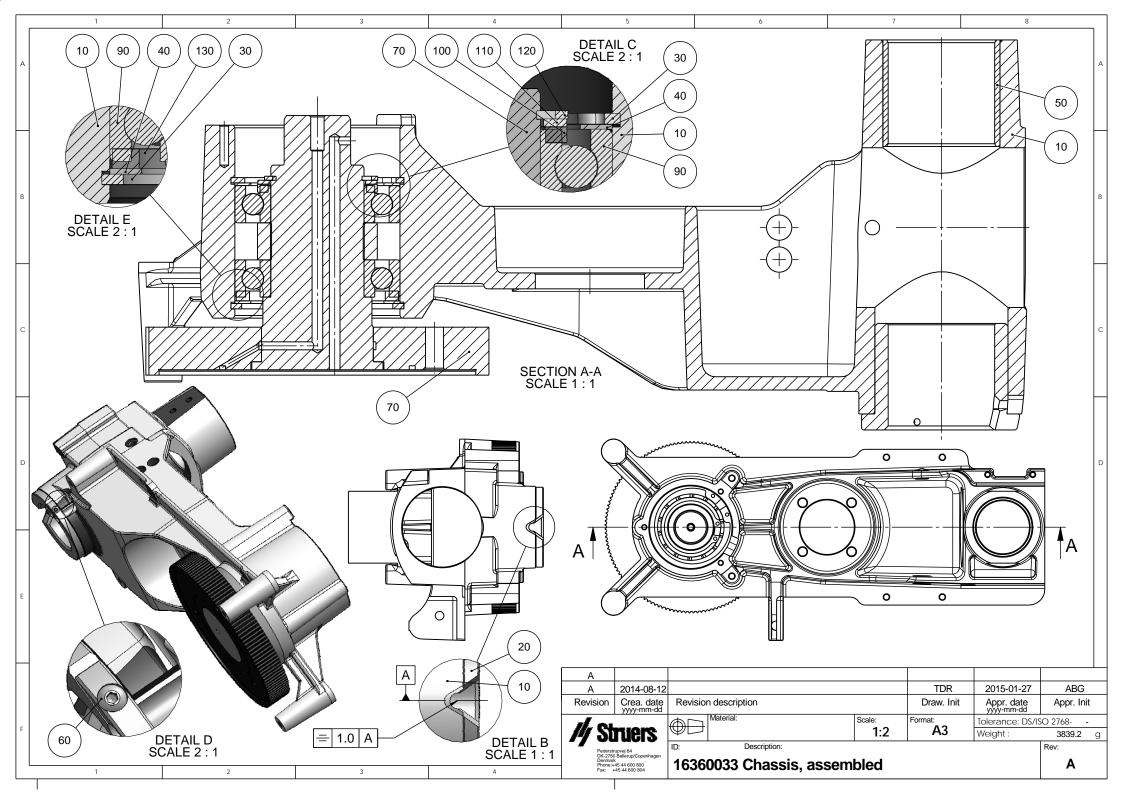


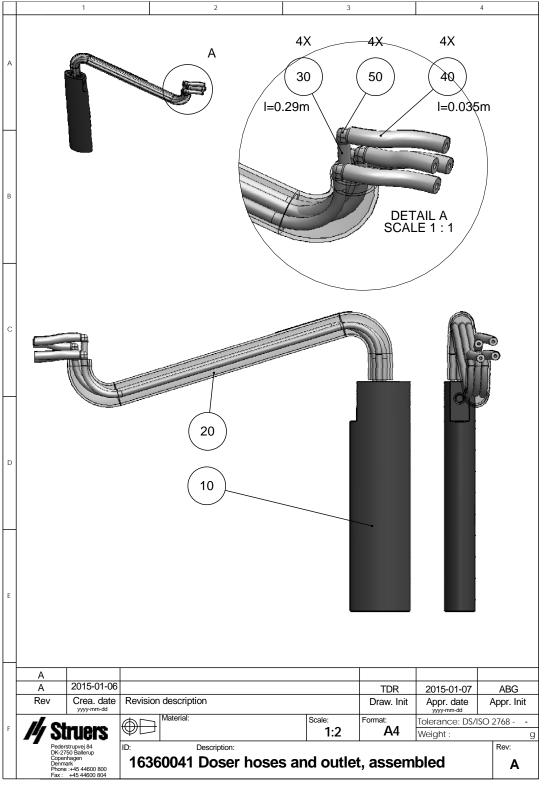


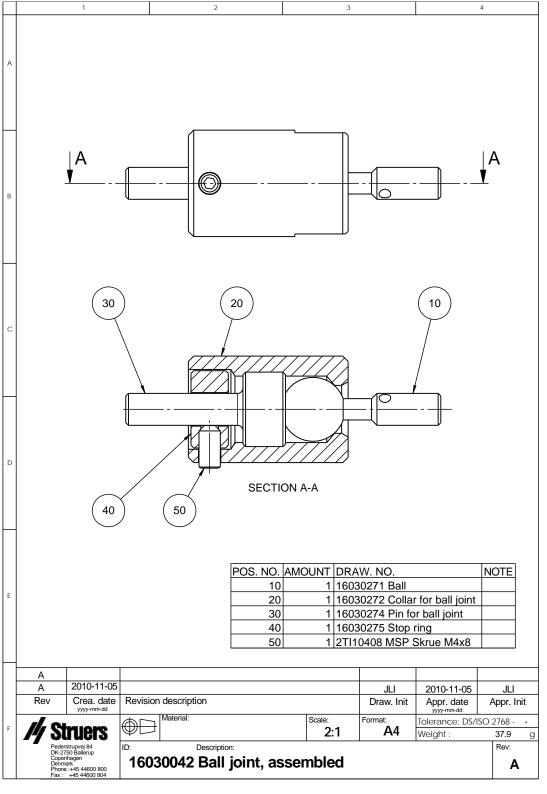


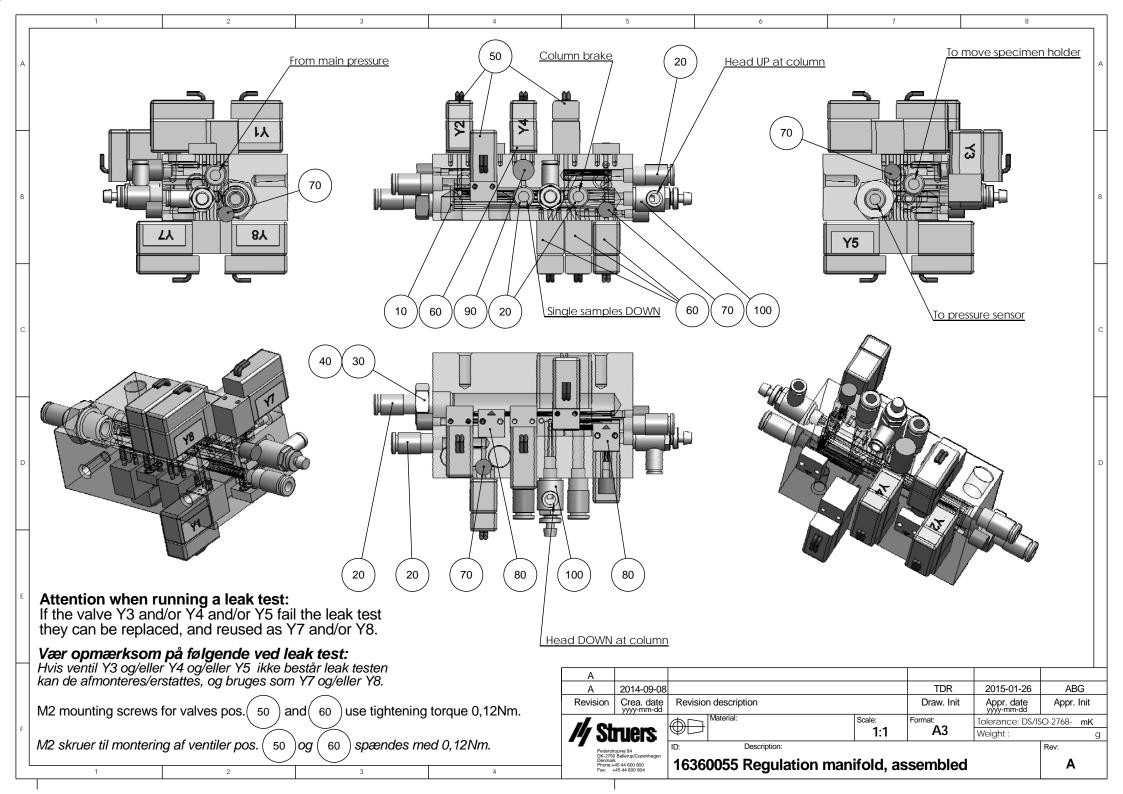


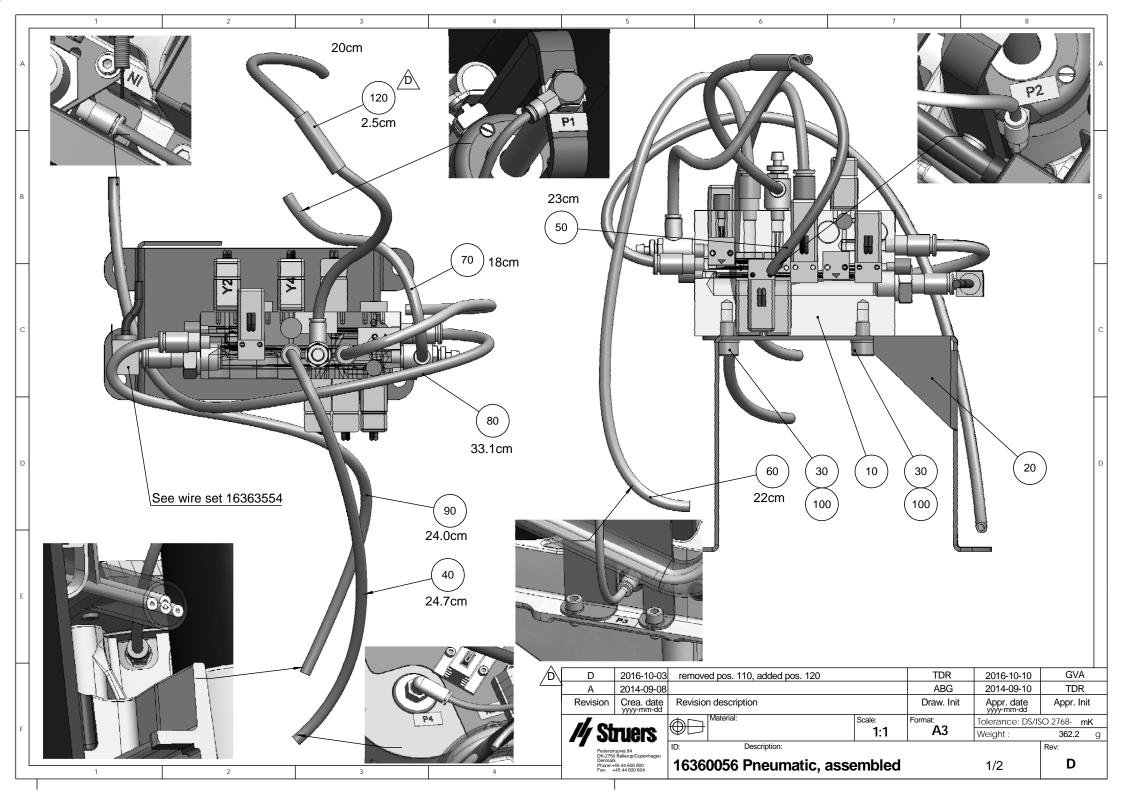


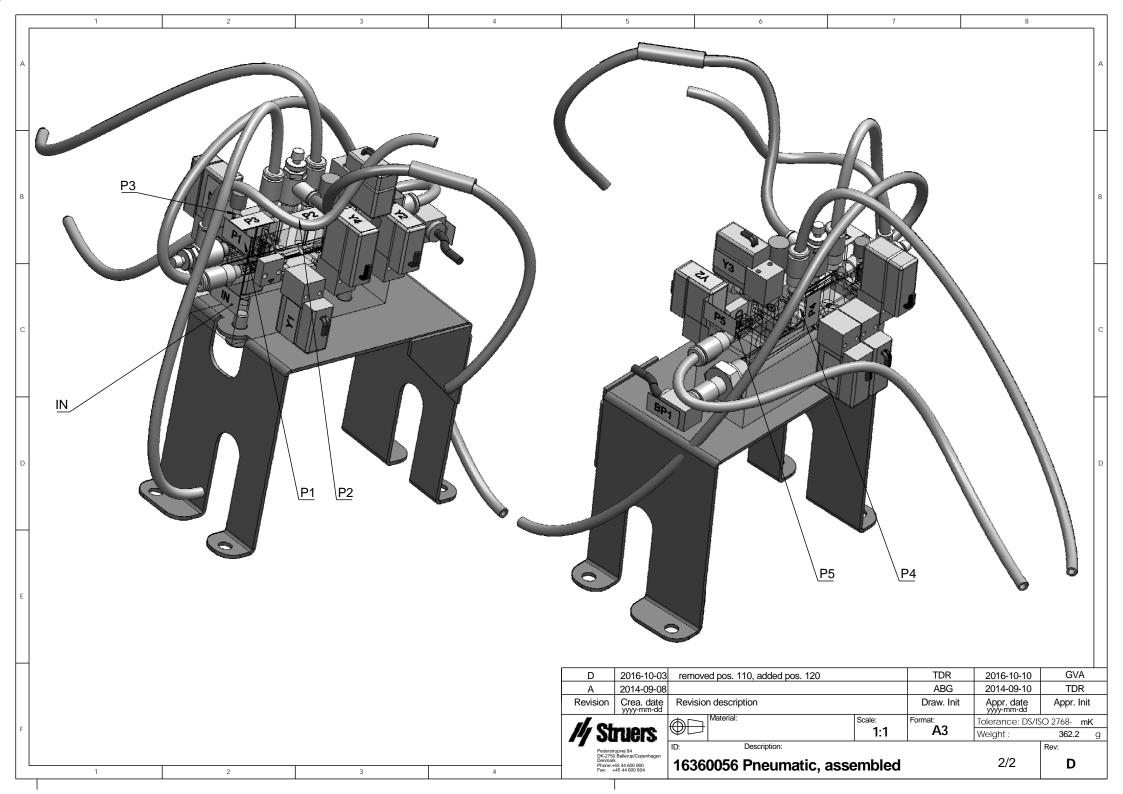


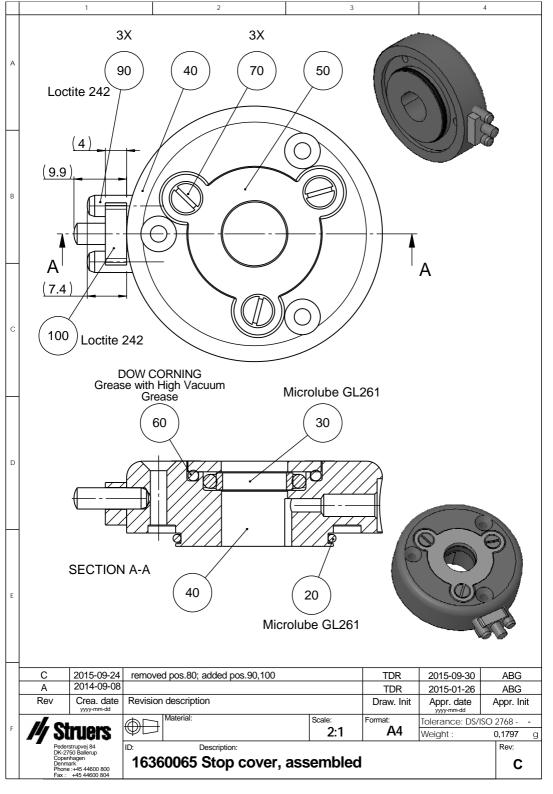


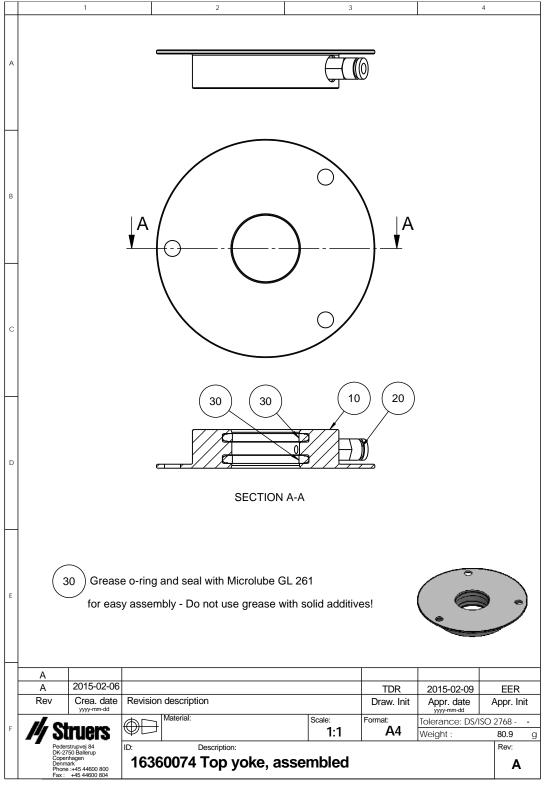


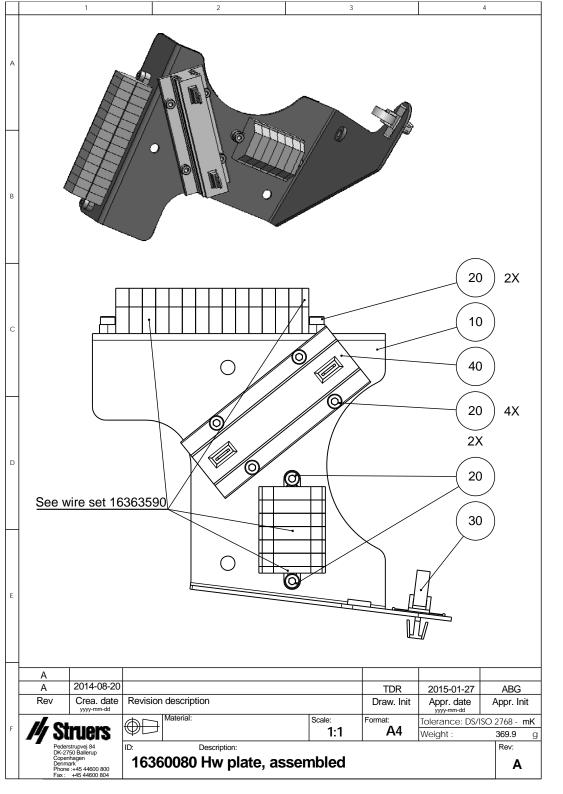


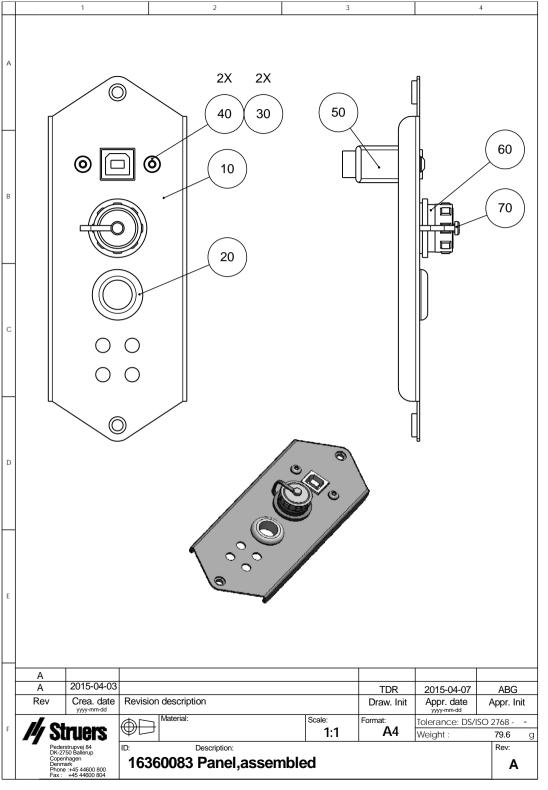


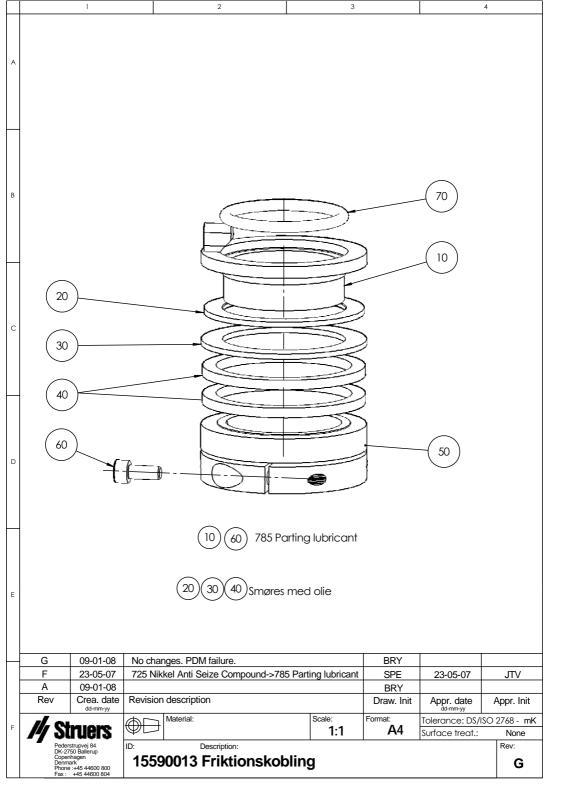


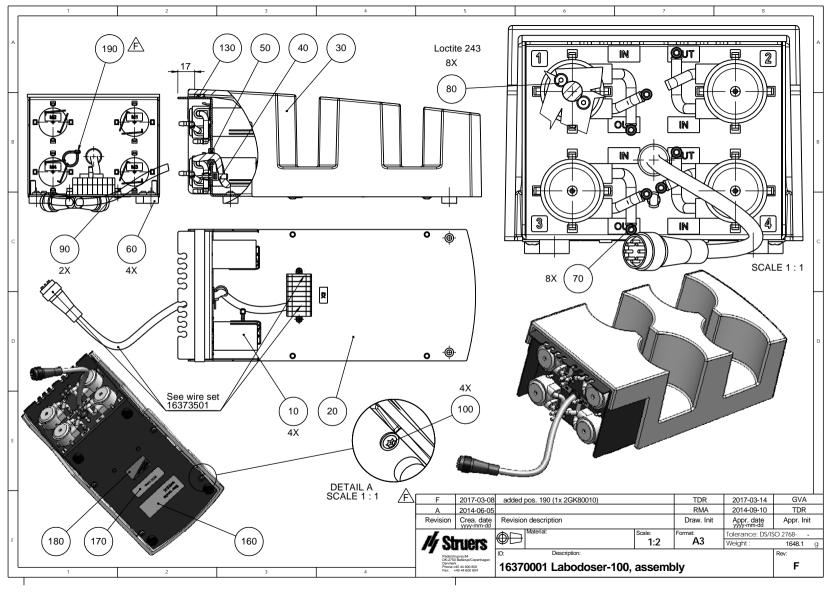


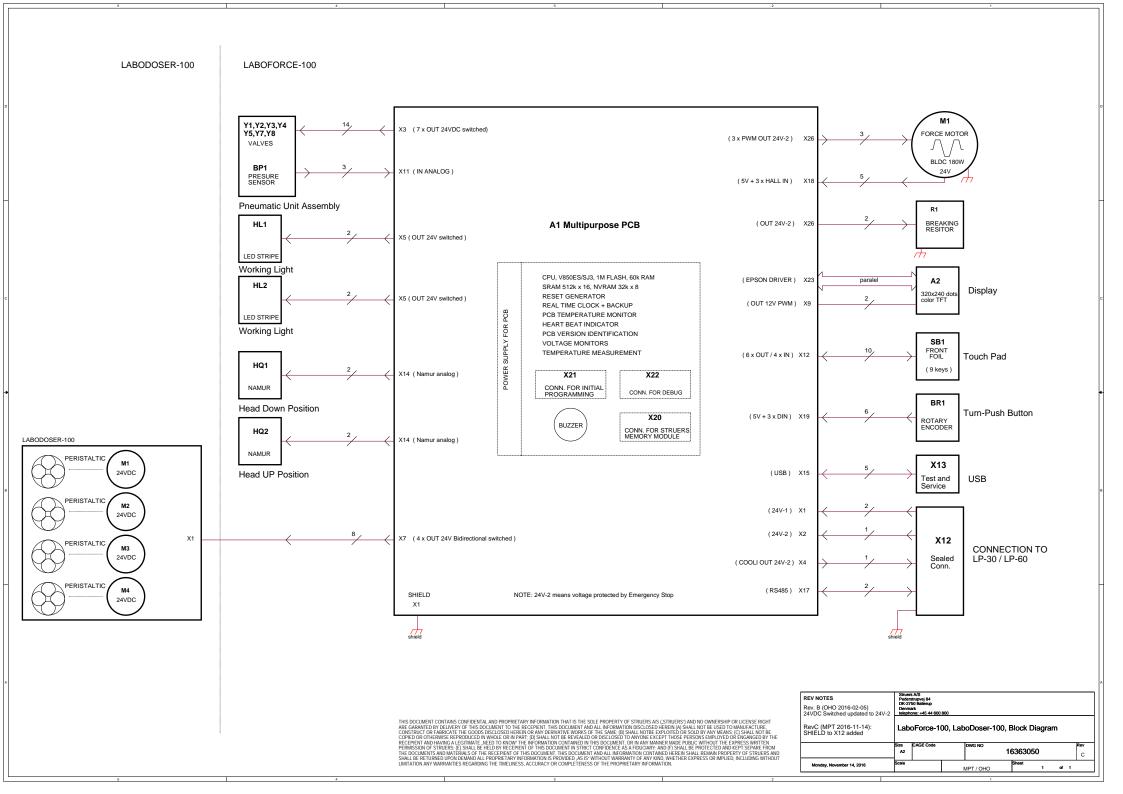


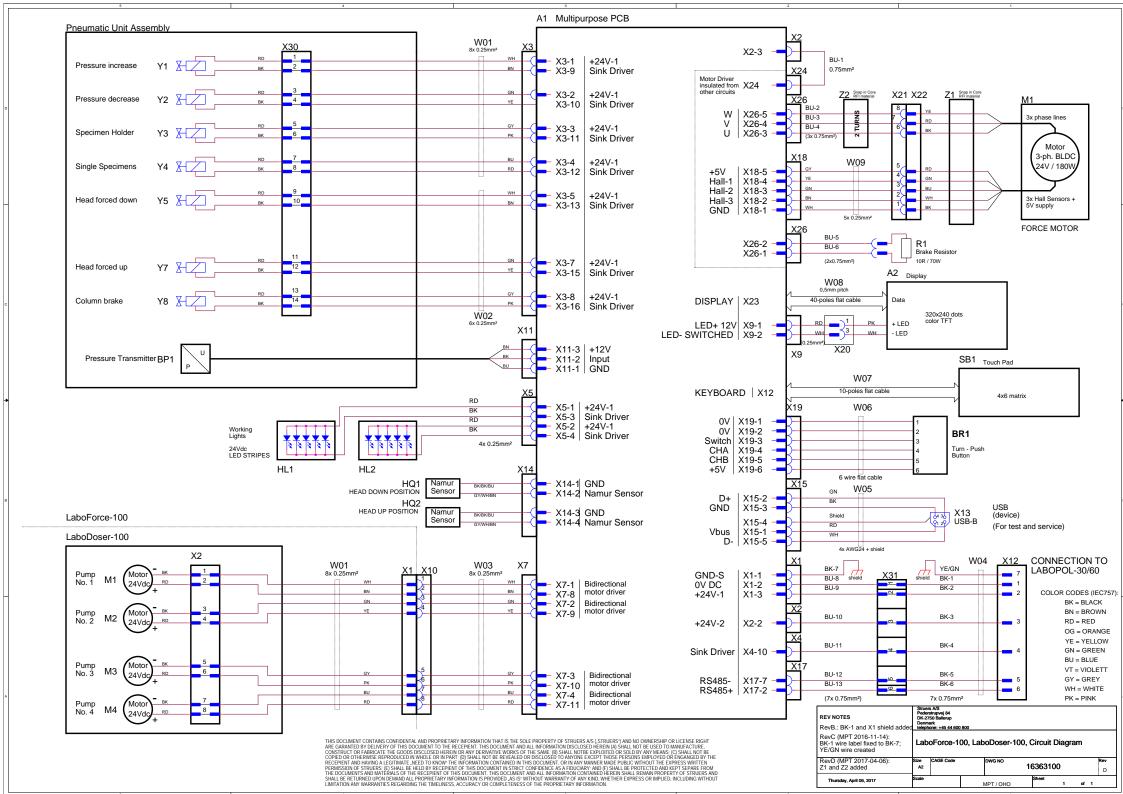


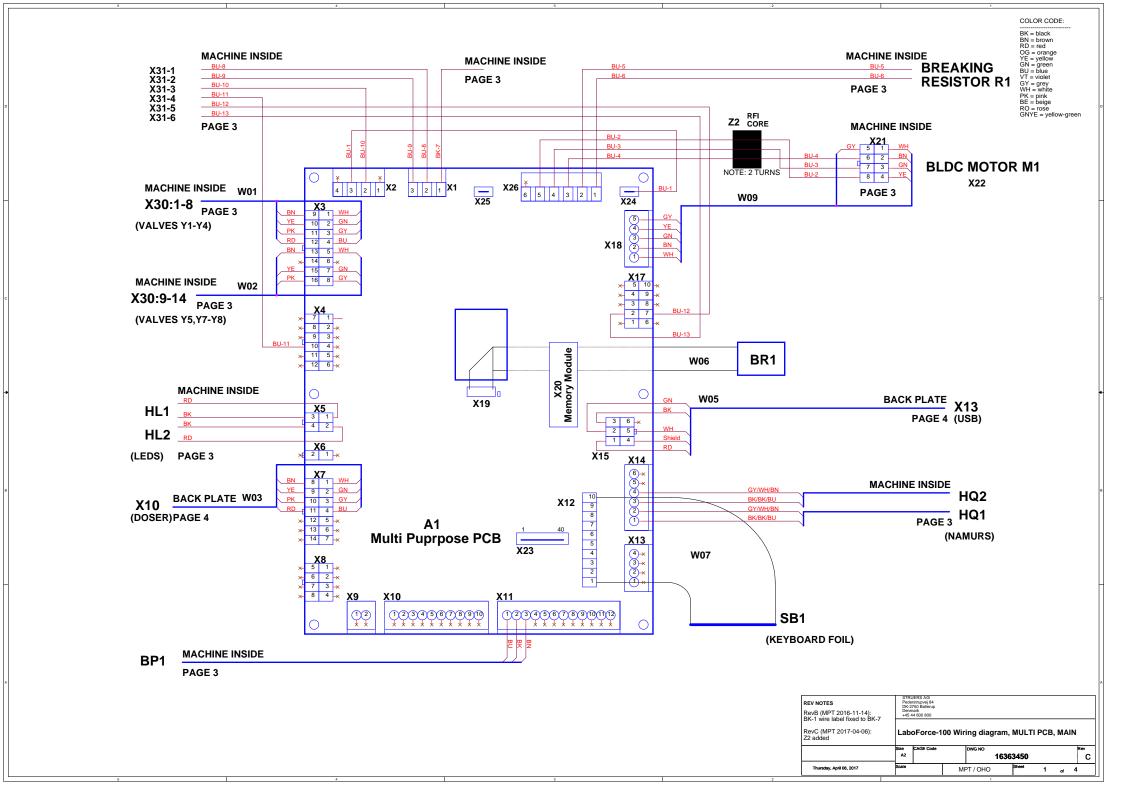






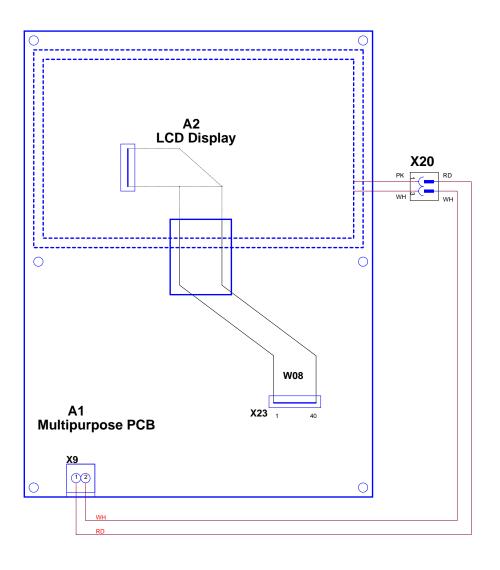




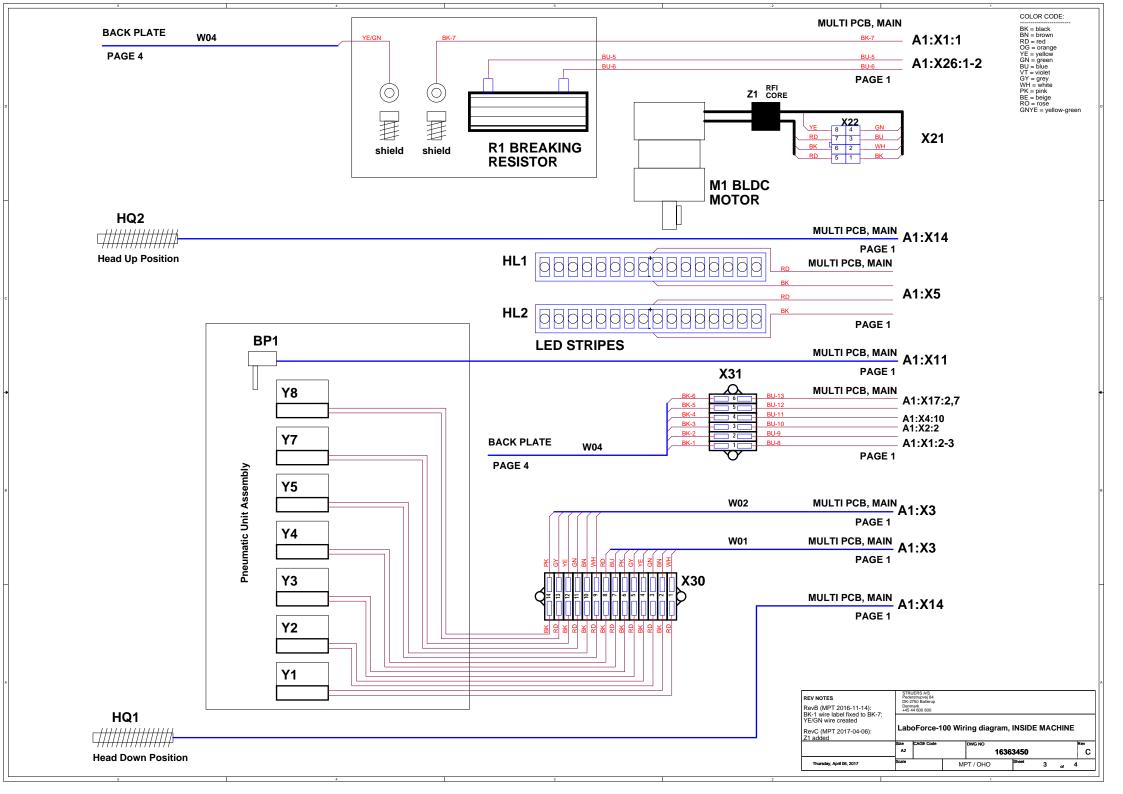


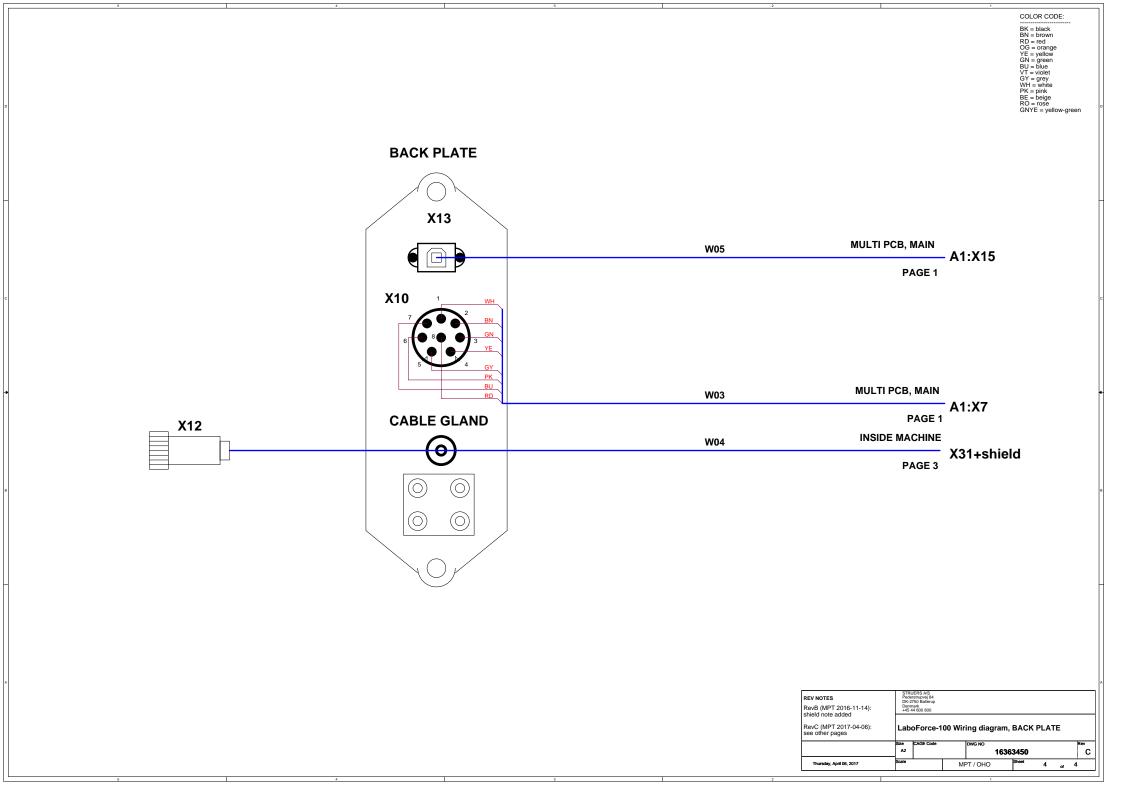
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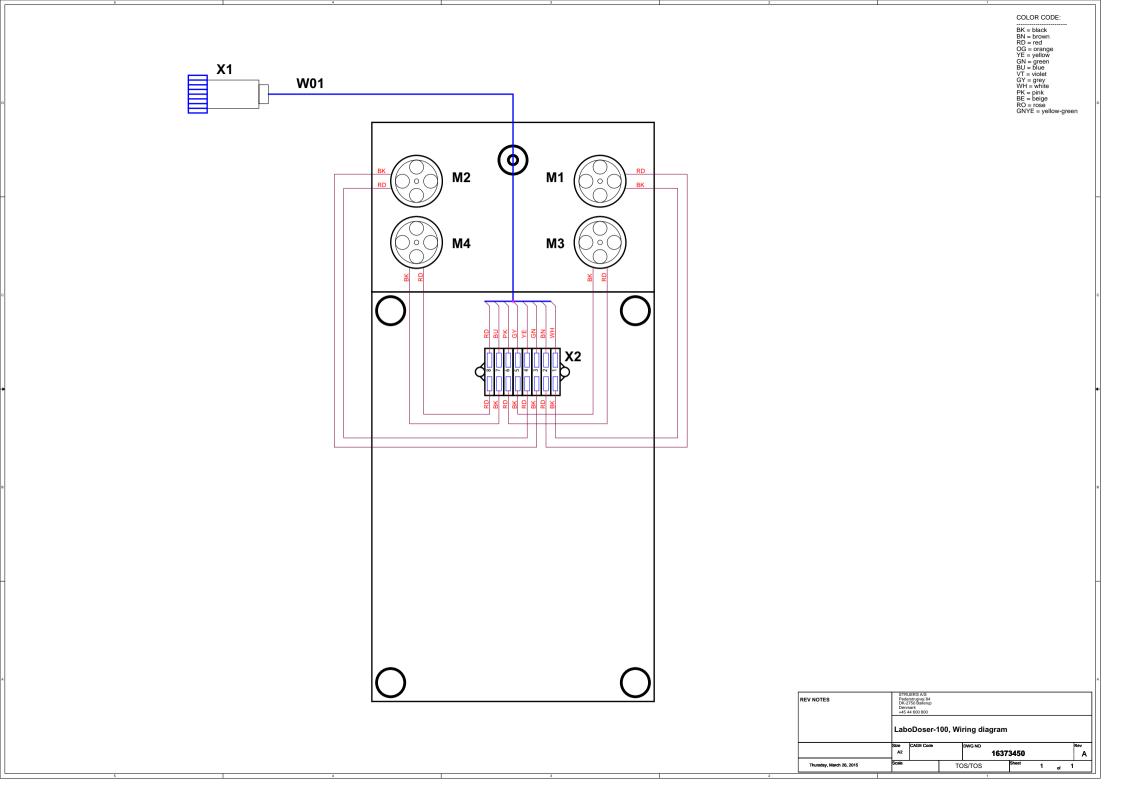
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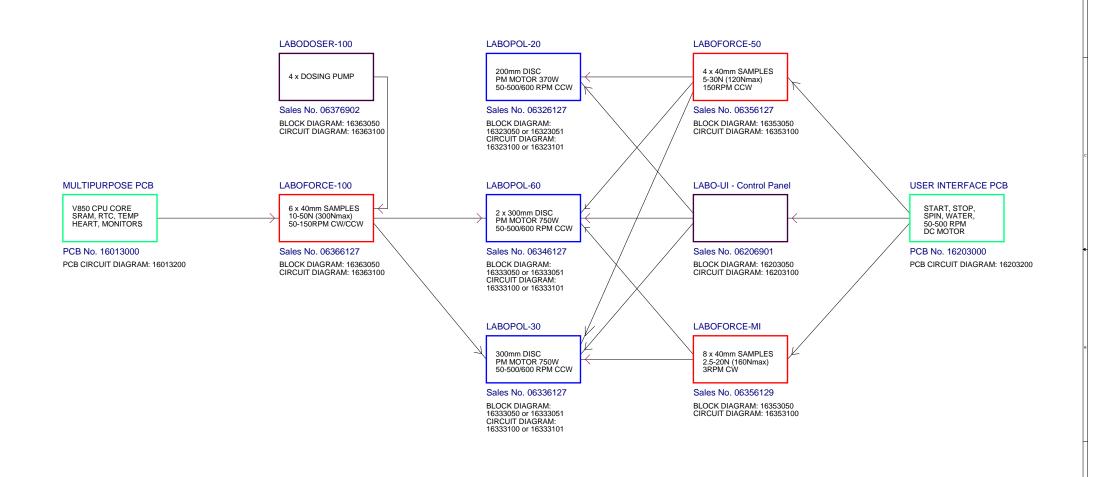


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