



# **Gel Documentation Systems** Still destroying your DNA with UV-light?

# Overview



FAS-X



FAS-DIGI PRO



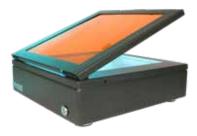
FAS-DIGI Compact



FAS-BG LED BOX



FAS-Nano



Transilluminators

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#### The danger of UV Light

Detection of nucleic acids is mainly performed using light in the UV range. However, DNA is able to absorb light in the UV spectrum. This property leads to DNA modifications and DNA degradation when exposed to UVlight. It damages sample DNA and is also dangerous for the user.

#### Blue/Green LED - The revolution

Instead of using a single wavelength, the Blue/Green LED technology uses a combination of wavelengths in a spectrum of light from 470 nm to 520 nm. This Blue/Green light is able to excite all common red and green DNA dyes with a very high intensity. This intensity can be achieved by the accumulated energy absorption of the dyes.





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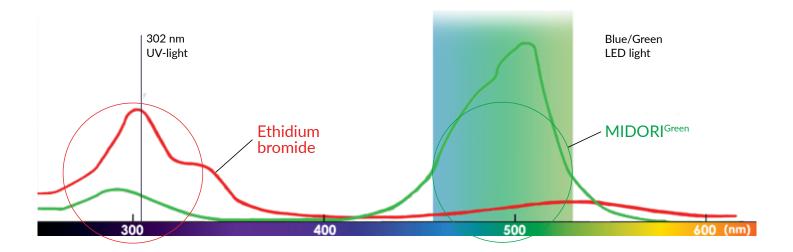
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#### Cloning efficiency of DNA treated with Blue/Green light



No DNA damage -Better cloning efficiency!

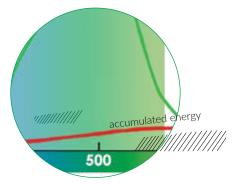
# Blue/Green LED light



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#### UV Light: Good detection, insecure signal

UV light transilluminators use just a single wavelength for the visualization of DNA. Red and green DNA dyes, like ethidium bromide or the MIDORI<sup>Green</sup> dyes usually have a good absorption in the UV light spectrum. This results in DNA bands with a sufficient intensity. However, UV light is dangerous for the user and for the sample DNA. Just 30 sec of UV light exposure significantly reduces the cloning efficiency and has consequences for further downstream applications. For this reason, the visualization of DNA with UV light is not the state-of-the-art method anymore.



# **Blue/Green:** Safe detection of all red and green DNA dyes

In contrast to UV light, Blue/Green LED technology uses a spectrum of light between 470 nm and 520 nm. This light is not harmful for the DNA or for the user. Even ethidium bromide or other red DNA dyes with a low absorption in this spectral area show DNA band intensity comparable to UV light. The reason for that is the **accumulated energy absorption of the DNA** in the Blue/Green spectrum. Green DNA dyes show very high absorption intensity in the Blue/Green light spectrum, leading to DNA bands with superb intensity.

#### Try Blue/Green - Your Benefits:





# #3: Healthier working enviroment



# About us

#### NIPPON Genetics EUROPE

NIPPON Genetics EUROPE is a Japanese-German life-tech company, which focuses on the development of cutting edge products for molecular and cell biology laboratories. We have over 30 years experience in the life-tech sector with offices in Tokyo and Kyoto, in Japan, as well as in Dueren, in Germany. We are a growing group of highly motivated people with a strong background in life-science research. In the past few years, we have become a team that can support you not only with innovative products but also with advice on applications. This background also allows us to understand your needs and to develop new and exciting products for you.

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# Imaging systems comparison



# FAS-X



# & Fast Gene®FAS-X

#### Key features

- Best image quality with a high-resolution 20 camera
  Stand-alone system with in-built computer
  - Easy-to-use FAS-X imaging software controlled by a 13" full HD touchscreen or USB Keyboard or Mouse
  - Blue/Green LED Transilluminator

#### Advanced stand-alone documentation

The FAS-X is our new most advanced imaging system, working with the innovative Blue/Green LED excitation light technology. The Design is a minimalistic approach towards Usability. The high-quality white and modern surface gives it an elegant look in the laboratory. We are proud that our new stand-alone device is manufactured and assembled in Germany.

#### Intuitive touchscreen operation

The compact system is equipped with a high-resolution 13.3" full HD touchscreen. The device is super easy and intuitive to operate via the display. The Blue/Green LED transilluminator is integrated in a loading drawer, with a soft close function, to ensure absolute darkness and the best image quality without light contamination. The huge Blue/Green illumination area (21 cm x 26 cm) fits any gel size.



The software has been designed to make operating the device and communicating with the camera as easy as possible. The user-friendly interface is integrated in the touchscreen and allows recording the best gel formations with a few simple clicks. The software also includes a powerful editing function.



#### **Technical specifications**

Camera	
Camera sensor type	Scientific-grade CMOS
Image resolution	20 MPixel, (5472 px x 3648 px)
Image format	JPEG, TIFF, PNG, BMP
Exposure time	13 µs to 10 sec

Hood	
Material	Coated aluminium material
Access	Loading drawer
Filter	Amber Camera filter, Amber goggles
Status LED	Installed in the front

#### Footprint

Dimensions (H x D x W)53.2 cm x 44.3 cm x 37.5 cmWeight20 kg

Catalog number	
FAS-X	GP-FAS-X

Display/Software/Connections	
Display	13.3" full HD touchscreen
Display resolution	1920 x 1080
Internal storage	128 gb
Connections	LAN, 3x USB 3.0
Software	FAS-X imaging software
Rated Voltage	100-240 V, 50 / 60 Hz
	Power adapter 24 V, 6 A

Light sources	
Light sources	Blue/Green LED transilluminator
	White LED light
Transilluminated area	26 cm x 21 cm
Blue/Green LED light	470-520 nm

# **FAS-DIGI PRO**



#### Key features

24 MPixel scientific grade camera



Fully networkable when connected to a PC

White LED plate for the documentation of protein gels

#### Touch the revolution

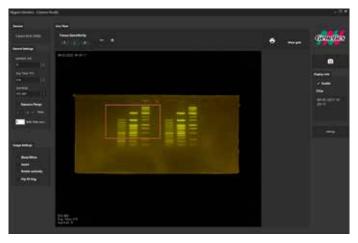
The FastGene® FAS-DIGI PRO is a powerful imaging system with Blue/ Green LED-based gel documentation. It provides stunning images of DNA and RNA gels based on its Blue/Green LEDs technology.

#### Superior gel imaging

The FastGene® FAS-DIGI PRO comprises a large transilluminator with Blue/Green LED technology. The imaging area of 26 cm x 21 cm has a superb uniform illumination. This enables the detection of green and red DNA dyes with an immense signal intensity.

#### Imaging software

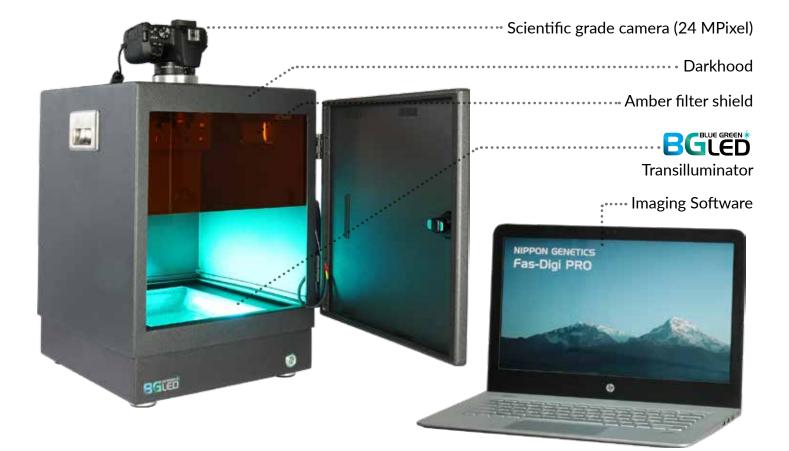
Control all settings of the camera in real time with the NIPPON Genetics Camera Studio software: Aperture, exposure time, sensitivity and focus. Mouse-driven optimization makes image optimization a click away! Images can be saved in TIFF and JPEG format, and directly printed by a printer connected to your PC.



With the imaging sofware of the FAS-DIGI PRO you can control all necessary parameters of the camera to analyze and optimize any gel image. These four settings will provide the highest quality images for DNA gels: aperture, exposure time, sensitivity and focus.

# **FAS-DIGI PRO**





#### Technical specifications

Camera	
Camera type	Canon scientific grade camera
Sensor size	APS-C sized CMOS Sensor
Resolution/Image Size	24 MPixel, 6000 x 4000 pixel
Image format	TIFF and JPEG
Exposure time	0.00025 to 30 sec
Aperture	f / 4-5.6
Lens	18-55 mm zoom lens, manual
Zoom range	3 x zoom
Filter	Amber Filter for the lens

Footprint	
Dimensions (H x D x W)	57 cm x 35 cm x 32.5 cm
Weight	14 kg
Rated Voltage	100-240 V~, 50/60 Hz, A

Control Software	
Control Software	NIPPON Genetics Camera Studio v1.0, WINDOWS 10
Image storage	Host computer dependent
Interface	Host computer dependent
Rated Voltage	100-240 V, 50 / 60 Hz, 2 A
Hood	
Power unit	Power supply for transilluminator and camera
Access	Front door, 180°opened
Filter	Amber Filter Shield
Light sources	
Light sources	Blue/Green LED transilluminator White LED transilluminator (included)
Transilluminated area	26 cm x 21 cm
Blue/Green LED light	470-520 nm

included

White LED light

Catalog number FAS-DIGI PRO GP-07LED

# **FAS-DIGI** Compact



#### Key features

Compact stand-alone gel doc system
 High resolution camera with 24 MPixel
 Documentation of agarose gels
 Very large transilluminator

# Get the best image combined with the safest light

The FastGene<sup>®</sup> FAS-DIGI Compact is equipped with Blue/Green LEDs, increasing the high sensitivity without harming your eyes, skin or your DNA sample. It comes with a scientific grade camera and an inbuilt amber filter. The FAS-DIGI Compact uses the same powerful transilluminator as the FAS-DIGI PRO.



# The affordable Blue/Green LED gel doc system

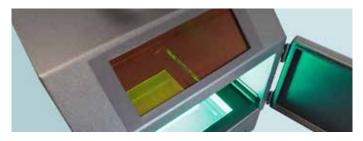
The FAS-DIGI Compact comes with a compact footprint combined with the advantages of the Blue/Green LED technology. This means that the detection of both, red and green DNA dyes, is possible.

#### Easy connection to a tablet

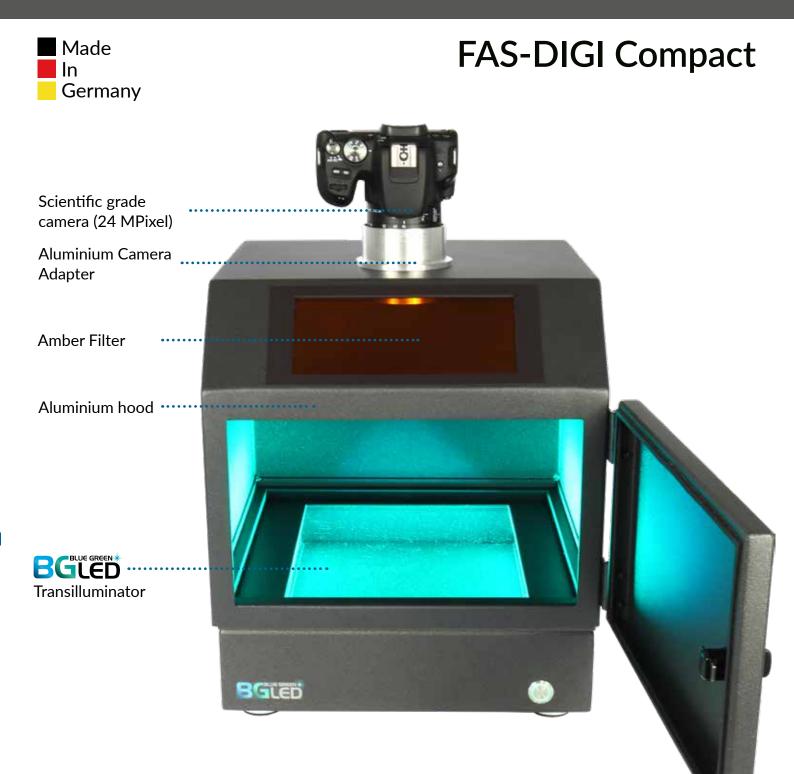
The FAS-DIGI Compact can be diretly connected to a tablet via the app, available in your prefered app store. Take pictures and transfer your data easily to the cloud using your tablet.

#### Amber filter window

The inbuilt Amber Filter viewing window allows you to look at your illuminated gel and easily cut out the desired DNA bands for further applications.



Easily view your illuminated gel through the Amber Filter window



#### Technical specifications

Camera	
Camera type	Canon scientific grade camera
Sensor size	APS-C sized CMOS Sensor
Resolution/Image Size	24 MPixel, 6000 x 4000 pixel
Image format	JPEG & RAW CR3
Exposure time	0.00025 to 30 sec
Aperture	f / 4-5.6
Lens	18-55 mm zoom lens, manual
Zoom range	3 x zoom
Filter	Amber Filter for the lens

Light source		
470-520 nm		
26 cm x 21 cm		
AC Adaptor, 12 V, 4.16 A		
50 cm x 35 cm x 32.5 cm		
Amber View Shield, SD-Card		
14 kg		
Catalog number		
GP-08LED		

# FAS-BG LED BOX



#### Key features

Stand-alone system with very compact footprint
 Documentation of agarose gels, protein gels,
 Large touch-screen display with intuitive
 High resolution camera with 8 MPixel

#### Capture images via the large touchscreen

The touch function allows simple and intuitive operation of the device. View your gels precisely on the large screen and capture gel images with the high resolution 8 MPixel camera. The HDMI port allows to view the display on an external screen.

#### One imaging system - multiple applications

The Blue/Green LED technology permits the detection of DNA/RNA with highest sensitivity and without harming your eyes, skin or your sample. With the white LED array you can image protein gels stained with cooomassie or silver staining. The white LED epiillumination allows the documentation of opaque surfaces such as petri dishes or membranes.

# Compact imaging System with Blue/Green LED

The FastGene<sup>®</sup> FAS-BG LED BOX comes with the advantages of the Blue/Green LED technology combined with a compact footprint. All red and green DNA dyes are easily detectable with this system.



# FAS-BG LED BOX

Gel dark box with Blue/Green LED light, white LED light, or white Epi light

Power button

Large screen with touch function

Blue/Green LED light, white light switch

#### **Technical specifications**

Image capture	
Sensor	CMOS Sensor
Camera	8 MPixel camera
Image format	TIFF, JPEG and PNG
Exposure time	0.2 - 2 sec, 21 exposure steps

Display/Software/Connections		
Display	5" Color LCD Touch Panel	
Software	Inbuild control software	
Connections	2x USB Port (1x front, 1x rear) 1x HDMI Port Thermal printer support	

Light source	
Light source	Blue/Green LED transilluminator
	White LED light transilluminator
	White Epi light
Transilluminated area	16 cm x 11,5 cm

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General Info		
Power	12V, 4.16A	
Dimensions (H x D x W)	23 cm x 25.4 cm x 20.7 cm	
Gel Tools	Amber View Shield	
Weight	3.2 kg	

Catalog number	
FAS-BG LED BOX	GP-04LED

# **FAS-Nano**



#### **Key features**

**Smallest Gel Documentation System** Use any phone or tablet with a camera Blue/Green LED Illuminator with 10 cm x 10 cm Compatible for all common DNA stains

#### Image gels with your phone

The FastGene® FAS-Nano LED system is the most compact gel illumination system on the market. Ideally suited for tight spaces on a bench-top, the system operates both as an illuminator and, if equipped with a smart phone or tablet, a documentation system that captures an image of your gel.

Combine your smartphone with the FAS-Nano and turn the illuminator into a gel documentation system. The recording of the gel image is as easy as taking a picture with your smart device.

#### The perfect personal illuminator

Its very small footprint and light weight make the FastGene® FAS-Nano a perfect personal illuminator. An array of Blue/Green LEDs positioned around the periphery of the glass plate provide excitation light for both red and green DNA dyes without UV-light damage.



# **FAS-Nano**



#### Technical specifications

470 - 520 nm
10 cm x 10 cm

### Catalog numberFAS-NanoGP-06LED

Footprint		
Dimensions (H x D x W)	12.8 cm x 21.6 cm x 16.8 cm	
Weight	1.1 kg	
Accessory	Nano Amber Shield	

# Transilluminators



No UV-light and no DNA degradation
Safe Blue/Green LED or Blue LED light
Very high life expectancy
Amber Filter included

#### Blue/Green LED transilluminators

The Blue/Green LED Transilluminators enable safe detection of DNA and RNA in agarose gels They emit light from 470 nm to 520 nm and are compatible with all common green and red DNA dyes, such as MIDORI<sup>Green</sup> and ethidium bromide.



#### Say goodbye to UV Light

The biggest advantage for using our Green/Blue LED and Blue LED instruments is their safety. Unlike UV-light transilluminators, their safe light will not affect skin and eyes of the user and most importantly, the DNA sample will not be damaged at all. This is especially important if the excised DNA fragment will be used for further cloning experiments.

#### Excellent life expectancy

Blue/Green LEDs and Blue LEDs transilluminators have a superb efficiency and an extensive average life expectancy of 50,000 hours. Increase your cloning efficiency and eliminate DNA damage by using a safe Blue/Green LED or Blue LED light source. Using safe light, it becomes extremely simple to cut your DNA fragment out of gels. You don't need to wear protective eyewear, or worry about DNA degredation.

#### Blue LED transilluminators

Our Blue LED Transilluminators also enable a safe and damage-free detection of nucleic acids. They produce light with a narrow emission peak at ~470 nm, effective for the visualisation of green DNA stains such as MIDORI<sup>Green</sup> and SYBR<sup>®</sup>. Blue LEDs are not compatible for the detection of red DNA dyes.



# Transilluminators

#### Blue/Green LED Transilluminators



**FG-09WS** Blue/Green LED Transilluminator DE



**FG-11** Blue/Green LED Flashlight

#### Technical specifications

Cat. No.	FG-09WS	FG-11
Light source	Blue/Green LED (470 - 520 nm)	Blue/Green LED (470 - 520 nm)
Compatible DNA dyes	Green and red dyes	Green and red dyes
Imaging area	21 x 26 cm	n.a.
Dimensions (H x D x W)	12 cm x 32 cm x 32 cm	2.5 cm x 19 cm x 3.9 cm
Weight	4.2 kg	0.17 kg
Power	AC adapter, 2 A	AC adapter, 18 V / 1 A
Filter	Amber filter (~520 nm)	Amber filter (~520 nm)

#### Blue LED Transilluminators



**FG-05** Blue LED Illuminator



**FG-06** Blue LED Transilluminator



**FG-12** Blue/White LED Tab

#### Technical specifications

Cat. No.	FG-05	FG-06	FG-12
Light source	Blue LED (470 nm)	Blue LED (470 nm)	Blue LED (470 nm), White light LED
Compatible DNA dyes	Green dyes	Green dyes	Green dyes & Protein stainings
Imaging area	12 x 7 cm	20 x 16 cm	18 x 12 cm
Dimensions (H x D x W)	3 cm x 21 cm x 21 cm	8 cm x 28 cm x 34 cm	30 cm x 18.5 cm x 22 cm
Weight	2.1 kg	3 kg	2.4 kg
Power	24 V, 1.67 A	24 V, 1.67 A	AC adapter 24 V, 1 A
Filter	Amber filter (~520 nm)	Amber filter (~520 nm)	Amber filter (~520 nm)



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