

# Spirolab

# Spirolab II

## User's Manual

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## Thank you for choosing a product from MIR Medical International Research

The original packaging contains one of the following spirometers with its respective accessories:

Article code	Description
910560	<b>Spirolab</b> with Black/White LCD display + 220V power supply
910561	<b>Spirolab</b> with Black/White LCD display + 110V power supply
910550	<b>Spirolab II</b> with colour LCD display + 220V power supply
910551	<b>Spirolab II</b> with colour LCD display + 110V power supply
672685	Nylon carrying- case
910320	Nose clip
910350	Roll of thermal paper
910300	Sample of disposable paper mouthpiece
671492	Connection cable RS 232, 9 pin for PC
910110	<i>Serial/parallel printer converter (optional)</i>
980060	User's manual in English
270464	Spare fuse (internal) 2A
270468	Spare fuse (internal) 4A

### Before using your spirometer ...

- Please read this manual carefully, plus the labels and all of the information supplied together with the product
- Set up the device (date, time, language, predicted values, etc.) to your requirements as described under Configuration Menu in this Manual

### Keep the original packaging!

- In the event that your spirometer has a problem then you **must** use the original packaging to return the machine to your local distributor or to the manufacturer

*Due to ongoing product development and product improvements the manufacturer reserves the right to modify the information contained within this manual.*

*Note that due to printing limitations the screenshots shown in this manual may differ from the display of the machine and/or from the keyboard graphics.*

*Copying of this manual in whole or in part is strictly forbidden.*

*The manufacturer accepts no responsibility for loss or damage due to the use of this manual and/or due to an incorrect use of the product.*

## IMPORTANT NOTE

*If the device needs to be returned for repair the following steps must be followed:*

- *before sending the unit, written permission for return must be obtained from the manufacturer, with a Return Authorization Number (RAN);*
- *the unit must be returned in its original packaging;*
- *the delivery must be prepaid by the sender.*

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## INTRODUCTION

The spirometers series **MIR 010** are sold with the **Spirolab** and **Spirolab II** names.

The difference between the two models **Spirolab** and **Spirolab II** is that the **Spirolab II** model includes an LCD colour display and a full International Alphabet Keyboard with 29 characters.

In the **Spirolab** model the display is in Black/White and the keyboard does not include the 29 International Alphabet characters.

*If not otherwise specified, from this point onwards, for reasons of brevity "Spirolab" is used in reference to both models.*

## INTENDED USE

### User Category

*The spirometer calculates a series of parameters relating to human respiratory function. The product is therefore intended for use by a doctor or by a paramedic under the supervision of a doctor.*

### Qualification and experience required

*The correct use of the device, the interpretation of the test results plus the maintenance of the device, in particular the sterilization (to avoid the risk of cross-infection) all require qualified personnel.*

### Operating environment

*It is foreseen that the normal operation of the device will be within a doctor's office or within a hospital ward.*

*The device is not intended for use in an operating room or in the presence of inflammable liquids or detergents, nor in the presence of inflammable anaesthetic gases, oxygen or nitrogen.*

*The device is not designed to be used in direct air currents (eg. wind), sources of heat or cold, direct sun rays or other sources of light or energy, dust, sand or any other chemical substances.*

*The user is responsible to ensure the suitability of the ambient conditions both for the storage and for the operation of the device.*

### Who must/can make the installation

*The device requires installation by qualified personnel. It is the responsibility of the user of the device to ensure that the required operations are made.*

### Subject effect on the use of the device

*A spirometry test should only be carried out when the subject is at rest and in good health, and thus in a suitable condition for the test. A spirometry test requires the collaboration of the subject since the subject must make a complete forced expiration, in order to have a meaningful test result.*

### Limitations of use- Contraindications

*An analysis of the results of a spirometry test is not by itself sufficient to make a correct diagnosis of the subject's clinical condition. A detailed clinical history of the subject is also required together with the results of any other test(s) suggested by a doctor. Test comments, a test interpretation and suggested courses of treatment must be given by a doctor.*

*Any symptoms that the subject has at the time of the test must be carefully considered before a spirometry test is made. The user is responsible to assess both the mental and the physical capacity of the subject to make a correct test and the user must also assess the degree of collaboration for each test carried out.*

*The acceptability of a test is the responsibility of the user. Special attention should be given to testing elderly subjects, children and handicapped people.*

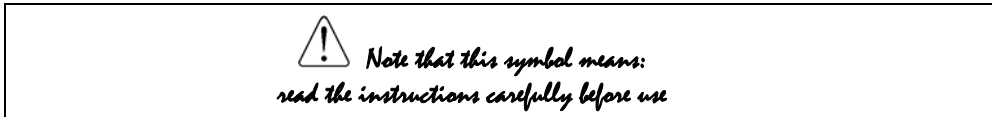
*The device should never be used when it is possible or probable that the validity of the results may be compromised due to any such external factors.*

## IMPORTANT SAFETY WARNINGS

**Spirolab** has been examined by an independent laboratory which has certified the conformity of the device to the European Safety Standards **EN 60601-1** and guarantees the EMC Requirements within the limits laid down in the European Standard **EN 60601-1-2**

The **Spirolab** is continually controlled during its production and therefore the product conforms to the established security levels and quality standards laid down by the Council Directive 93/42/CEE for **MEDICAL DEVICES**

*After removing the device from its package, control that there is no visible damage present, pay particular attention to any flaws or cracks in the plastic casing that may lead to exposure of electrical components.*



*The safety and the correct performance of the unit can only be assured if the user of the device respects all of the current safety rules and regulations.*

*Conserve the instructions for use together with the warranty conditions for any future reference or in case the device presents technical problems.*

*The device must be used only and exclusively as a spirometer following the indications given by the manufacturer with particular attention to the paragraph on **INTENDED USE** utilizing only original spare parts and accessories.*

*Any use of the device which differs from the original is to be considered improper and therefore dangerous.*

*The manufacturer cannot be held responsible for damage caused by the failure of the user to follow these instructions correctly, misuse of the device whether that misuse is improper, incorrect and/or unreasonable, or when the device is connected to an electrical outlet which does not conform to the safety regulations in force.*

*The device and its accessories must be controlled before each and every use, so that any malfunction and/or damage caused during transport and/or storage may be detected.*

*Do not use the device in the presence of inflammable anaesthetic gases, oxygen or nitrogen.*

*Keep the device away from hot and/or cold sources.*

*The thermal paper used for printing is highly inflammable. Keep away from open flames.*

*High-frequency emissions that are outside the limits expressed by the **EN 60601-1-2** may interfere with the correct functioning of the device. High frequency emissions coming from other electrical or electronic devices can in fact interfere with the functioning of the device. For this reason certain minimum clearances (a few meters), should be observed when high-frequency appliances such as TV, radio, cellular phones, etc and other electronic units are operated in the same room.*

*When connecting the **Spirolab** to any other devices (PC, printer, modem etc.), the user must guarantee that the required security level for subjects and/or users in the same room are not in any way endangered by the connection.*

*In order to maintain the essential safety characteristics laid down by **EN 60601-1-1**, only equipment which complies with the current safety regulations must be used.*

*In case the device is not functioning properly, switch it off and consult the instruction manual.*

*After correctly following all the instructions, if the device does not function correctly, call the manufacturer or an authorized service centre for assistance.*

*For any repairs call only certified service centres that are authorized by the manufacturer.*

*Do not open or tamper with the device.*

*Always use and demand only original spare parts.*

*Use of non original parts such as the turbine flow sensor and other accessories may cause errors in measurement and/or compromise the correct functioning of the device and is therefore not permitted.*

*The installation must be carried out according to the manufacturer's instructions. An incorrect installation may cause damage to people, animals or things, in which the manufacturer is not to be considered liable.*

*Any modifications, adjustments, repairs or reconfiguration must be made by the manufacturer or by personnel authorized by the manufacturer.*

*In case of problems, never attempt to make repairs by oneself.*

*The set-up of the configurable parameters should only be made by qualified personnel. However, an incorrect set-up of the parameters does not put the subject at risk.*

*Inadequate respect to any of the above-mentioned points may compromise the safety of the device.*

*Always respect the safety norms indicated for electrical devices, in particular:*

- *use only original accessories and spare parts*
- *do not immerse the device in any type of liquid*
- *do not touch the device with wet or damp hands*
- *do not leave the device exposed to atmospheric conditions*
- *during any maintenance operations keep the device*
- *use of the device always requires full mental ability*
- *when unplugging the device, never pull the cable of the power supply or of the device.*
- *always place Spirolab on a suitable rigid horizontal on a stable surface with at least 30 cm of space all around the device. The ventilation slots must be free from any cover or obstruction of any kind. The ventilation slots are located both behind and underneath the plastic outer casing of the device.*

*Before plugging in the charging unit, make sure that the electrical information on the label of the charging unit corresponds to those of the electrical wiring of the mains supply.*

*In case the plug of the charging unit supplied with the device is not compatible with the electric socket of the mains supply, call qualified personnel for the substitution of the plug with a suitable one. Generally, it is not advisable to use adapters and/or extension cables. If it is essential to use them, it is necessary to utilize only types that conform to the safety norms, paying attention that they tolerate the maximum limits which are indicated on adapters and extension cables.*

*Unplug the power supply cable when battery charging is not required.*

*In case of breakdown or damage of the charging unit, replace it only with the manufacturer's original spare parts.*

*Use of an unsuitable power supply may change the performance of the device and no longer guarantee the safety conditions.*

*In order to avoid dangerous overheating we recommend to totally unwind the power supply cable of the charging unit.*

*The maintenance operations detailed in this manual must be carried out precisely. If these instructions are not followed this can cause measurement errors and/or incorrect test interpretation.*

*Before doing any cleaning and/or maintenance operations, always switch off the device and unplug the power supply.*

*Keep the device out of reach of children and of any person with mental handicap.*

*When deciding to no longer use the device, it is recommended to dispose of it according to the local regulations.*



*In order to avoid contamination of the environment provoked by disposing of the spirometer, of its accessories, of plastic consumable materials or parts, follow all local regulations.*

*Do not use the product for longer than the declared life expectancy.*

*If the LED of the lithium back-up battery flashes, (the lithium battery is used for the back up of the test data and spirometry parameters in the memory, plus the device configuration) which indicates that the battery is low, then all information stored may be cancelled automatically.*

*The batteries used for power supply and for data storage are both inside the device. It is not permitted to open the device in order to replace them. This procedure must be carried out only in an authorised service centre, authorized by the manufacturer.*

## DANGER OF CROSS- CONTAMINATION

*The device uses a turbine sensor and in order to connect a subject to the spirometer a mouthpiece is required. Always use a new disposable mouthpiece for each subject.*

*In order to avoid exposing the subject to the critical danger of cross-contamination certain components of the flow sensor must always be sterilized before each spirometry test.*



The turbine

*An incorrect or insufficient sterilization and cleaning of the turbine (which is made up of the turbine plus the mouthpiece holder) could be a cause of infection for the subject.*

*For details of the correct sterilizing operation see the relevant paragraph in MAINTENANCE CLEANING AND STERILIZATION as described in this manual.*

*Do not expose the turbine sensor to a direct jet of water or air, nor allow it to come into contact with liquid at high temperature.*

*Do not allow dust or foreign bodies to enter the turbine sensor, in order to avoid incorrect functioning and possible damage.*

*The presence of any impurities such as hair, sputum, threads etc within the body of the turbine sensor may seriously compromise the accuracy of the measurements.*

*In order to avoid ambiental contamination caused by the disposal of cleaning and sterilizing substances the user must follow all relevant local regulations.*



The mouthpiece

*Any disposable mouthpieces included with the device are supplied only as a guide to the correct type and dimensions of the mouthpiece required for this device, they are clean but not sterile.*

*To purchase appropriate mouthpieces, generally either paper or plastic but in any case mono-use/disposable, we suggest that you contact your local distributor who supplied the spirometer.*

*The use of a mouthpiece made from an inappropriate material could modify the bio-compatibility and could be the cause of an incorrect functioning of the device and thus of incorrect test results, and create inconvenience to the subject.*

*The user is responsible to obtain the correct type of mouthpieces for the device. Those required are a standard type with an outside diameter of 30mm, they are commonly used and in general easily procured.*

*In order to avoid ambiental contamination caused by the disposal of the used mouthpieces, the user must follow all relevant local regulations.*

## PROBLEMS AND UNFORESEEN ERRORS

*In case of any problems, one of a series of messages to indicate the nature of the problem will appear on the LCD display accompanied by an acoustic signal.*

*If appropriate and timely action is not taken in the event of such messages appearing during the life of the device, then it is possible that the device will lose its working memory (SRAM).*

*Errors in measurement or in test interpretation can also be caused by :*

- *lack of adequate care of the device,*
- *operation by non-qualified or non-trained personnel, lacking the required ability and/or experience*
- *user error*
- *use of the device outside the guidelines described in this User's Manual*
- *use of the device even when some operational anomalies is encountered*
- *non-authorized servicing of the device*
- *improper, incorrect and/or unreasonable use of the product*

*Following the European Directive:*

*93/42/CEE for MEDICAL DEVICES*

*In the event of any accident caused by the device, the user must inform the manufacturer as quickly as possible.*

## LABELS AND SYMBOLS

Identification label of the spirometer model **Spirolab**



Identification label of the spirometer model **Spirolab II**



The identification label on the underside of the housing shows the product name, plus the following:

- Manufacturer's name and address
- Product conformity marking, in line with the CE 93/42 guidelines
- Serial number of the device

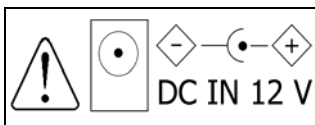
**CE 0476** EC mark for medical devices.

The product is certified to conform to the requirements of the 93/42/CEE medical devices directive.



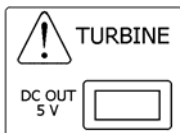
Electrical safety symbol. In accordance with the EN 60601-1 the product and its component parts are of **type BF** and therefore protected against the dangers of direct and indirect contact with electricity.

### Other symbols on the device



Warning symbol for the connection of the power supply.  
To charge the internal battery use only and exclusively the original power supply

( **12 V - 1A** DC) guaranteed and certified to the EN 60601-1 Safety Standard



Warning symbol for the turbine connector.  
Use only and exclusively the original turbine flow sensor



Warning symbol for the RS232 serial port. For connection to other devices such as PC or printer.

RS 232 port use only the serial cable supplied by the manufacturer and observe the safety regulations of EN 60601-1-1

## TECHNICAL FEATURES OF THE DEVICE

### Parameters measured

<b>ERV</b>	Expiratory reserve volume	L
<b>FEF25</b>	Maximum flow at 25% of <b>FVC</b>	L/s
<b>FEF50</b>	Maximum flow at 50% of <b>FVC</b>	L/s
<b>FEF75</b>	Maximum flow at 75% of <b>FVC</b>	L/s
<b>FEF25/75</b>	Average flow from 25% to 75% of <b>FVC</b>	L/s
<b>FET</b>	Forced expiratory time	s
<b>FEV1</b>	Volume expired in the first second of test	L
<b>*FEV1</b>	Best FEV1	L
<b>FEV6</b>	Volume expired in the first 6 seconds of test	L
<b>FEV1%</b>	FEV1/FVCx100	%
<b>FEV6%</b>	FEV6/FVCx100	%
<b>FEV1%VC</b>	FEV1/VCx100	%
<b>FEV1/FEV6%</b>	FEV1/FEV6x100	%
<b>FIVC</b>	Inspiratory forced vital capacity	L
<b>FIV1%</b>	FIV1/FIVCx100	%
<b>RR</b>	Respiratory frequency at rest	Atti/m
<b>FVC</b>	Forced Vital Capacity	L
<b>*FVC</b>	Best FVC	L
<b>IC</b>	Inspiratory Capacity	L
<b>IVC</b>	Inspiratory slow vital capacity	L
<b>MVV</b>	Maximum Voluntary Ventilation	L/min
<b>PEF</b>	Expiratory peak flow	L/s
<b>*PEF</b>	Best PEF	L/s
<b>PIF</b>	Inspiratory peak flow	L/s
<b>Te</b>	Average time of expiration at rest	s
<b>Ti</b>	Average time of inspiration at rest	s
<b>ti/te</b>	Ratio ti/te	1
<b>TV</b>	Tidal volume	L
<b>TV/ti</b>	Average inspiratory flow at rest	L/s
<b>VE</b>	Ventilation at rest	L/min
<b>Vext</b>	Extrapolated volume	mL
<b>VC</b>	Expiratory slow vital capacity	L

## Technical Specifications

### Temperature sensor:

Semiconductor (0-45°C)

### Memory capacity:

Mod. **Spirolab**: around 400 tests

Mod. **Spirolab II**: around 1500 tests

A complete test is comprised of the parameters, the Flow/Volume and Volume/time curves. The number of tests is approximate as it depends upon the configuration of the device and the type of tests made.

### Display:

Mod. **Spirolab**: Graphic B/W passive type FSTN LCD 320x240 pixel

Mod. **Spirolab II**: Graphic 16 colour passive type FSTN LCD 320x240 pixel

### Keyboard:

Silicon rubber keyboard

07 Hardware function keys, with symbols

15 Software function keys, with symbols

05 Easy search keys with symbols (right, left, up, down, enter)

02 Gender identification with appropriate symbols

10 Number keys

29 International alphabet keys

### Communication port/interface:

RS232, bidirectional and optoisolated to 4KV

### Power supply:

Rechargeable battery, Ni-MH, 6 elements 1.2V each, 4000 mAh

### Dimensions:

310x200x65mm

### Weight:

1.9 kg

### Flow/volume measurement system:

Bidirectional digital turbine

### Measurement principle:

Infrared interruption

### Volume range:

10 L, BTPS

### Flow range:

±16 L/s, BTPS

### Volume accuracy:

± 3% or 50 mL

### Flow accuracy:

± 5% or 200 mL/s

### Dynamic resistance at 12 L/s:

< 0,5 cmH<sub>2</sub>O/L/s

### Type of electrical protection:

Class II device

### Safety level for shock hazard:

Apparatus type BF

### Protection against water penetration :

Standard device

### Safety levels during use in presence of inflammable anaesthetic gases or oxygen or nitrogen:

Apparatus not suitable

### Conditions of use:

Apparatus for continuous use

### Conditions of storage :

Temperature: MIN 0 °C, MAX + 40 °C

Humidity :MIN 10% RH; MAX 95%RH

**Operating Conditions :**

Temperature: MIN + 10 °C, MAX + 40 °C;

Humidity:MIN 10% RH; MAX 95%RH

**Applied norms:**

Electrical Safety Standard EN 60601-1

Electro Magnetic Compability EN 60601-1-2

**Expected working life:**

A life expectancy of 10 years is declared

*This device is a Class IIa medical device according to the European Directive 93/42/CEE.*

## DESCRIPTION OF THE DEVICE

**Spirolab** is a new generation spirometer, it facilitates the total valuation of lung function. The product is designed for use by specialists who require a simple, compact device but one at the same time capable of calculating more than 30 spirometric parameters .

**Spirolab** makes **FVC**, **VC**, **IVC**, **MVV** and **breathing pattern** tests and calculates an index of test acceptability (test quality control) and a measure of reproducibility; and also gives functional interpretation with 11 possible levels following the latest **ATS** (American Thoracic Society) classification.

The main spirometric parameters are measured and displayed and all data with Flow/Volume and Volume/time curves can be printed out in seconds by the built-in thermal printer.

The Flow/Volume curve is shown in real time.

Each test can be repeated several times. The best parameters are always available for rapid reference or printing. Several sets of predicted (or reference) values can be selected from five different authors. For example, in general within the European Union the values recommended by the **ERS** (European Respiratory Society) are used.

The device also calculates the response to drug administration, that is the percentage change between spirometry results obtained after the subject takes a drug and those prior to the drug (**PRE/POST**) plus the results of a bronchial challenge test or a bronchodilation test. A comparison of data is made between **POST** (after-drug) and **PRE** (before drug administration).

The keyboard is organized to be quick and user friendly, thanks to the 15 programmed keys.

The internal memory can contain more than 1000 spirometry tests complete with Flow/Volume and Volume/time curves.

**Spirolab** is supplied with an RS-232 optoisolated serial communication port, which guarantees excellent electrical protection (> 4 KV) both for the doctor and for the subject, and respects the most severe European safety requirements (EN 60601-1).

The machine can be connected directly to the *serial* port of a printer using the standard RS 232 communication port. To connect to the *parallel* port an optional serial to parallel converter is required.

The internal software (or firmware) inside the device can be upgraded quickly and simply from a PC. To make this upgrade consult the manufacturer or an authorized representative.



## ILLUSTRATION of Spirolab



1. Flow sensor
2. Thermal paper container lid
3. Flow sensor compartment
4. Black and White Display
5. Keyboard

## ILLUSTRATION of Spirolab II

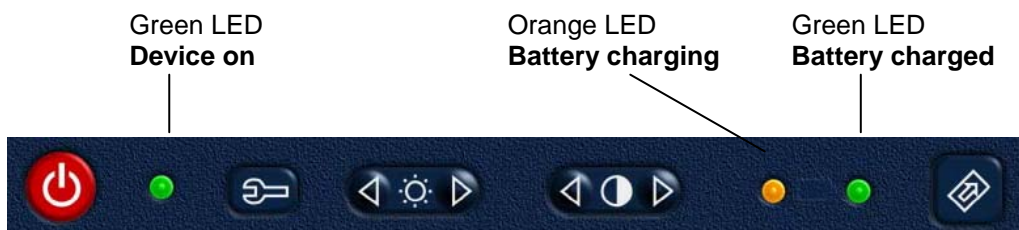



1. Flow sensor
2. Thermal paper container lid
3. Flow sensor compartment
4. Colour display
5. Keyboard



## KEYBOARD ILLUSTRATION




Mod. **Spirolab / Spirolab II**




 Switch On / Switch Off


 ...  Number keys


 Correction key, to cancel the number inserted; press twice to return to the number inserted previously, when used for viewing pages shows the previous page


 ENTER key and scroll forward key (when viewing pages).

 Adjust contrast. Press several times as required

 Adjust brightness. Press several times as required

 Advance the printer paper

 Self-check key (*will be activated in a future release of the internal software*)


 Specifies female sex

 Specifies male sex

 Insert or modify subject data

 Configuration menu

 View best test result

 View last test result



View bronchodilation test



Print



Cancels the current operation



Make **FVC** test



Make **VC** test



Make **MVV** test



Make **POST** test



Memory management of spirometry data



Help key (*will be activated in a future release of the internal software*)



Move cursor and/or move within a page

## OPERATING THE SPIROMETER

First check that all accessory items are in good condition.

Before using the device, proceed with the cleaning and sterilizing operations, as described in the **MAINTENANCE CLEANING AND STERILIZING** section.

### Charging the battery

Make sure that the electrical information found on the label of the charging unit corresponds to that of the mains power.

Plug the power supply into an electrical outlet.

Plug the power supply jack into the socket on the back of the device

Do not use the power supply if it is wet or damp.


The charging process has several phrases which are signalled by two LEDs, one green and one orange.

- Immediately after connecting the power supply, the orange LED (on the right hand corner near the battery symbol) starts to flash.
- After a few seconds the orange LED stops flashing and remains lit.
- For about 10 minutes the charging is only partial and the device automatically checks the condition of the battery.
- After 10 minutes the charging starts and proceeds to full charge.
- When charging is completed the orange LED turns off and the green LED lights up.


*It is possible that during battery charging there may be a slight increase of a few degrees in the temperature of the power supply. During charging place Spirolab on a suitable hard surface with at least 30 cm of space all around the device.*

### Switching on the spirometer


Lift the LCD display, release the catch.

Press the red  on/off key on the upper left corner of the keyboard. When the device is on, the green led on the right hand side of the on/off key should light up.

### Backlight settings

To adjust the backlighting of the display use the double key . Press several times as required, on the left to diminish the brightness or on the right to increase it.

### Contrast settings

To adjust the contrast of the display, according to the angle of vision and the surrounding light, use the double key . Press several times as required, on the left to diminish the contrast or on the right to increase it.

### Loading the thermal paper

Open the lid of the thermal paper compartment and remove the paper roll holder.

Insert the new roll of paper onto the paper roll holder.

Push the paper into the slot located under the traction reel (black rubber reel).

A sensor detects the paper and automatically advances it. The paper will advance to the “tearing” line.

Insert the paper roll holder into the appropriate slots.

Close the lid of the compartment.

The paper must advance through the slot in the compartment when it is closed.

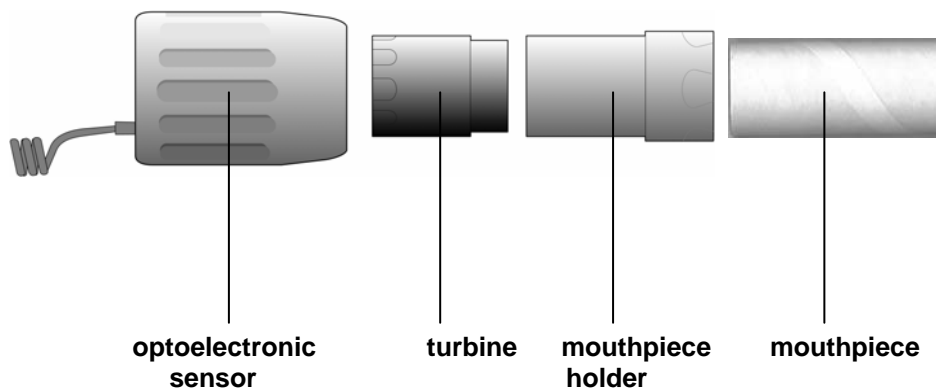
If necessary make the paper advance forward by pressing the key 

*To avoid damage to the printer and/or defects in printing, it is recommended to always use thermal paper with 112 mm width size.*

*The sensibility of the thermal paper must be suitable for printers with a printing speed of 50 mm/s. This type of paper is easy to find at most medical device dealers.*

### Connecting the flow sensor

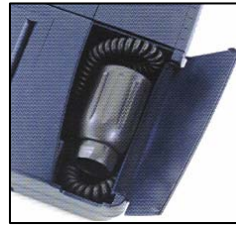
The flow sensor is made up of the elements shown in the following illustration



Before doing any spirometry testing be sure that there are no foreign bodies present inside the flow sensor.

Attach the connector of the flow sensor on the left hand side of the **Spirolab**.

Make sure that a **new disposable mouthpiece** has been correctly inserted into the mouthpiece holder, as shown.



Detail of the flow sensor compartment


**Carefully follow all the instructions given in the various paragraphs of this manual, to ensure that all of the functions operate correctly.**

Remove the used mouthpiece and dispose of it after finishing the spirometry testing.

When the flow sensor head is not in use, we recommend that it is kept in its compartment.

Press lightly on the connector to detach the flow sensor turbine from the socket on the left hand side of the device and proceed with the cleaning operations as outlined in the **MAINTENANCE CLEANING AND STERILIZING** section of the manual.

#### **Switching off the spirometer**

After a few minutes (generally about 5 min) that the device is not used then the device automatically turns itself off in order to reduce battery consumption. In any case, if the device remains switched on when all operations are completed, switch it off by pressing the red  on/off key. When the device is switched off, the green (LED) indicator on the right hand side of the on/off key should also turn off.

When there is no need to charge the battery, detach the power supply from the power supply socket on the back of the device and remove it from the mains socket.

## SPIROMETER FUNCTIONS

**Spirolab** makes the following spirometry tests:



**Forced Vital Capacity test**



**Slow Vital Capacity test**



**Maximum Voluntary Ventilation test**

The valuation and interpretation of test results are given by comparing the measured parameters with specific 'normal' spirometry values (known as predicted values) which are calculated from subject data: age, height, weight, sex and ethnic group.

For the calculation of the 'normal' spirometry values, there are five different sets available, both for adults and for children.

- **for adults**            **ERS** (European Respiratory Society)
- "                **Knudson**
- "                **Morris/Bass**
- "                **Multicentrico Barcellona**
- **for children**        **Knudson**
- **for children**        **Zapletal**

After each test session the results are compared to the relevant predicted values and the percentage ratio between measured and predicted is shown for each parameter.

$$\% \text{ Predicted} = \text{Measured/Predicted} \times 100$$

The test can be repeated more than once and the best result is memorized in order to recall it from the **Spirolab's** memory .

The best test result is determined following the **ATS** (American Thoracic Society), and **ERS** (European Respiratory Society) standards as described in APPENDIX B.

All tests are analyzed by applying six quality criteria (quality control), following the latest **ATS** recommendations. In addition the reproducibility of the **FEV1**, **FVC** and **PEF** parameters are also calculated

It is possible to make **POST** drug testing, in this case the test results are compared to a test made prior to the administration of drugs (**PRE-Test**) from memory.

**Spirolab** visualizes and prints the two Flow/Volume and Volume/time curves superimposed, with **PRE** and **POST** parameter comparison and percentage of change.

$$\% \text{ PRE} = \text{Value POST/Value PRE} - 100\%$$

The sections of the manual written with the character type **SPIROMETER** represent the display of the device.



Spirolab		v. x.y
DATE 29/03/01	TIME 12:44:00	
PRE FILE	N°1	
#ID		
LAST NAME		
FIRST NAME		
BIRTH DATE		
HEIGHT	cm	AGE
WEIGHT	Kg	SEX
ETHNIC G.		
<b>SPIROMETRY INTERPRETATION</b>		
<b>CHOOSE ANY FUNCTION</b>		

After switching on, the current date and time is shown, the time of the last calibration control is printed and the opening screen appears.

Some values shown are as follows:

**v. x.y**

Indicates the version of the software (firmware) inside the spirometer. In case of technical problems always note the version number.

**DATE and TIME**

The present date and time, which can be modified from the configuration menu.

**PRE drug**

The first test for each new subject is a **PRE** type, ie without the administration of drugs. For the **POST** test ie after the administration of drugs, see the relevant paragraph in the **POST** test chapter of this manual.

**FILE**

**Spirolab** assigns a progressive number to each new test **PRE**, and to each **POST** test that is made (on the same person) when the dose of the drug is changed.

**#ID**

Indicates the subject number or identification code which is inserted by the user. If an existing ID code is inserted, the device will warn the user with the message:

**WARNING! THIS #ID IS ALREADY ASSIGNED TO A SUBJECT. CONFIRM THIS EXISTING SUBJECT OR MODIFY**

**SPIROMETRY INTERPRETATION**

Indicates the test interpretation made

**Automatic Interpretation.**

The functional diagnosis or more correctly the test interpretation carried out by the **Spirolab** follows the most recent ATS recommendations with 5 levels of obstruction and of restriction plus a normal spirometry diagnosis.

**For obstruction (ie reduced flows):**

- Very Severe Obstruction
- Severe Obstruction

Mod. Severe Obstruction  
Moderate Obstruction  
Mild Obstruction

**For restriction (ie reduced volume)**

Very Severe Restriction  
Severe Restriction  
Mod. Severe Restrict.  
Moderate Restriction  
Mild Restriction

If instead the results show that the lung function of the subject is normal then the following message is shown:

Normal Spirometry

If there is insufficient data for the interpretation to be calculated then the following message is shown:

Not Valid

**ATTENTION**

**THE INTERPRETATION MADE WITHIN A TEST SESSION FOR ANY SUBJECT IS ALWAYS BASED UPON THE BEST TEST MADE IN THAT SESSION BY THAT SUBJECT.**




## INSERT/MODIFY NEW SUBJECT DATA

Press  key

◀ CHANGE NEW ▶


Modify the details of the current subject or enter the anthropometric details of the new subject.

<input type="text"/>	Spirolab	v. x.y
-----		
# ID		
LAST NAME		
FIRST NAME		
-----		
BIRTH DATE	04/05/71	
H EIGHT	cm	0
AGE		0
WEIGHT	Kg	0
SEX		
-----		
ETHNIC G.		
-----		
SPIROMETRY INTERPRETATION		
CHOOSE ANY FUNCTION		

The cursor blinks on the ID code. Enter code via the keyboard  
ID code must be confirmed with  or cancelled with . To change a number after it has been entered use  key to return the cursor to the area required.

Enter the subject ID code: this can be a combination of 10 characters with which it is possible, afterwards, to recall the subject test details.

### AGE

Enter the subject's age in years (1-99) with keys  ... 

### SEX

Select gender using the keyboard,  for male and  for female.

### HEIGHT

Enter the subject's height (in **cm** or in **inches**, according to the current configuration).

### WEIGHT

Enter the subject's weight (in **Kg** or in **pounds**, according to the current configuration).

### ETHNIC GROUP.


A list of possible ethnic groups appear.

By relating a subject to an ethnic group, the predicted values for that subject are then modified by a percentage which is according to **ERS** and published in THE EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY JOURNAL Volume 6 Supplement 16 March 1993 "Standardized Lung Function Testing" paragraph 5.3.


*By entering the number 0 (zero), no ethnic correction will be made to the calculation of the predicted values. It is possible to enter ethnic group n° 10 to define a "custom" correction percentage of predicted values, that goes from 50% to 200% of the predicted value in use.*


### Modify subject data


To modify subject data press the  key and repeat the data entry procedure.

All data **not** to be modified must be confirmed by pressing .

### Automatic insertion of a subject FILE

Press the key 

Enter the existing subject ID code, and press 

In case the ID code of a subject's FILE cannot be remembered then it is possible to find it by using  function.

## SPIROMETRY: FVC, VC/IVC, MVV

All the subject's data must be inserted before making a spirometry test.

The test can be made from the main display or from any display that show a previous test result (last test, best test or test in memory).

Selection of the spirometry test:

**FVC** To make the **FVC** test

**VC** To make the **VC/IVC** test and **breathing pattern** tests (if required)

**MVV** To make the **MVV** test

As the test is carrying out the Flow/Volume curve or the Volume/time curve are shown on the display, in real time.

The test must begin within 30 seconds after pressing the start key, otherwise the test is interrupted and the device returns to the main screen.

The key **ESC** or the lack of a volume variation for more than 3 sec. will terminate the test.

### How to make spirometry testing

Insert the new mouthpiece into the mouthpiece holder.

Fit the noseclip tightly onto the nose of the subject to ensure that air cannot escape through the nostrils.

The mouthpiece must be inserted well into the mouth (beyond the teeth) and the mouth must be closed around the mouthpiece to ensure that air cannot escape from the sides of the mouth.

Breath as directed according to the test required, details as follows.

Make the test in a standing or a sitting position. During total expiration (slowly or forced) it is suggested to bend forward at the waist as this movement helps to force air out of the lungs.

### FVC

If required (this is optional) before the test make several breaths at rest. When ready inspire slowly as much air as possible (opening the arms helps) and then expire all of the air as fast as possible. Then, without removing the mouthpiece from the mouth, finish the test by inspiring again as fast as possible. This final inspiration is not necessary if the inspiratory parameters (**FIVC**, **FIV1**, **FIV1%**, **PIF**) are not required.

It is possible to repeat the cycle several times, (without removing the mouthpiece) and in this case **Spirolab** will automatically select the best test and will show the results.

To end the test press **ESC** or wait 3 sec. after the last volume cycle.

*In the case of an FVC test, after making at least two valid tests, the reproducibility of the parameters FVC, FEV1, and DEF is shown.*

### VC / IVC and breathing pattern

It is possible (optional) to begin the test by making several breaths at rest. After three or four similar breaths a message (**VC/IVC**) will indicate that the breathing pattern has been measured and that you can go ahead and make the **VC** or **IVC** test.

#### How to make a VC test:

When the message **VC/IVC** appears inspire slowly as much air as possible into the lungs and then expire slowly as much air as possible.

#### How to make an IVC test:

When the message **VC/IVC** appears expire slowly as much air as possible and then inspire slowly as much air as possible.

To end the test press **ESC** or wait for 3 sec after last volume variation.


If you make the test without the breathing pattern (respiratory function at rest) then the measured parameters will be only **VC** or **IVC**.

### MVV

Start the test making a series of forced inspirations and expirations, breathing as deeply as possible. The ideal frequency to instruct the subject is 30 breaths/minute. The test stops automatically after 12 seconds.

To finish press  or wait 3 sec after the last volume variation.

At the end of the test the display shows the curves made and on the right of the display the measured parameter.

After viewing the curves, press the  key to view the related parameters, the predicted values and the percentage ratio between the measured value and the predicted value.

## SPIROMETRY POST - DRUG TESTING

### 1st case: current subject

After one or more **PRE** tests, to make a **POST** test on the current subject proceed as follows.

Press  key to activate the **POST** phase.

A **POST** test can be made immediately.

### 2nd case: subject from FILE

To recall a subject from memory in order to make a **POST** test, you must first 'recall from memory' the corresponding **PRE** test of that subject. Proceed as follows:

Press 

Select either **Subject List** or **Memory List** to list the relevant **PRE** test and then select the **FILE** number of the **PRE** test to use for the **POST** test.

Then press  to activate the **POST** phase.

Note that when the **POST** phase is active, the data of the existing subject test are shown on the display. On the upper left appears the **POST** file number.

During the **POST** phase it is possible to make **FVC**, **VC** and **MVV** tests.

Before making any of the **POST** tests    the device requests the input of the drug dose. Insert the dose with the numerical keys and confirm with



Whenever the test is repeated using the same dose, the best test related to the dose used is memorized. When the dose is changed then a new record is made with a progressive **FILE** number. For example, if three different doses are used for the same subject, then three different records ( **POST** tests) are made for that subject.

Afterwards it is possible to view the separate best **POST** tests.

The subject code in the **POST** test is the same as for the related **PRE** test.

In the **POST** phase, the measured result is compared to the values of the relevant **PRE** test made before the drug administration.

The Flow/Volume curves of the **PRE** test and related **POST** test are shown on the same graph.

When the two curves are shown, press the  key, to proceed to the viewing of the measured parameters (**POST**), of the related **PRE** values and the percentage variations between **POST** and **PRE**.

*In the **POST** phase no test interpretation is given, the test quality control messages are shown.*

### Physiological Test (placebo)

It is common practise prior to a **POST** test to make a test using physiological solution in place of a drug, to examine the subject's response to such a stimulus.

If the subject is healthy the reaction to a placebo is almost zero but in the case of hypersensitivity even this stimulus can cause some reaction.

In the physiological test the amount of the dose to enter is zero and it is still possible to compare the **POST** results with those of the **PRE** test.

## VIEWING AND PRINTING THE RESULTS

From the main screen it is possible to view and print the following:

Press  key for results plus Flow/Volume curves relating to the **best** test.

Press  key for results plus Flow/Volume curves relating to the **last** test.

All tests in memory can be recalled, viewed and printed.


The test results in the memory are the best test results.


The current test result can be printed by pressing  from the main screen, at the end of a test and when viewing best/last test.

To print a test result in memory after recalling it, press the  key

To interrupt printing press .

The printout consists of a heading with date, time and the **BTPS** factor at the moment of the test, subject data, the FILE number, the ethnic correction percentage chosen (if any) and the author of the predicted values. Then follow the Flow/Volume and Volume/time curves which can be from the **last** test or the **best** test.

By pressing  from the main screen the best test will be printed.

To print instead the last test press  when viewing the data related to the last test.

A list of the measured parameters plus the test interpretation then follow.

In case of a **PRE** test the following values are shown:

- Pred.** predicted values
- PRE** values measured before the administration of drugs
- %Pred.** percentage values compared to predicted values

In case of a **POST** test, the two curves will be superimposed and in addition to the parameters previously described, the following are shown:

- POST** measured value after the administration of drugs
- %CHG** represents percentage variation (+/-) between **POST** and **PRE**.



## TEST QUALITY CONTROL

By applying a series of mathematical calculations (quality control) to certain key parameters, **Spirolab** produces a series of test comments which are useful to understand how well the test was performed.

### **Vext and PEFT ERROR**

If the extrapolated volume **Vext** is greater than 250 mL or more than 5% of **FVC**, or when the **PEFT** (time to peak flow) is greater than 200 ms, this message is shown:

**repeat the test and blow faster**

### **DROP IN FLOW >50%**

If there is a drop in flow (>50%) and the flow then rises again all within the 1st second of the expiration, this message is shown:

**repeat and avoid coughing**

### **FET ERROR**

If the **FET** is less than the minimum, this message is shown:

**expiry time insufficient**

### **FLOW ERROR**

If the last point of the F/V curve is greater than 200 mL/s this means that the expiration was not finished and therefore this message is shown:

**blow out all air in the lungs**

## REPRODUCIBILITY OF THE FVC TEST

Following the international **ATS** and **ERS** standards, it is recommended to repeat at least 3 times every **FVC** test to ensure the reliability of the spirometry test results. The device helps the user through the reproducibility control check.

Between one test and another, the reproducibility of the following parameters is calculated:

**FVC** ⇒ reproducible if  $\Delta\text{FVC} < 5\%$  or  $< 200\text{ mL}$

**FEV1** ⇒ reproducible if  $\Delta\text{FEV1} < 5\%$  or  $< 100\text{ mL}$

**PEF** ⇒ reproducible if  $\Delta\text{PEF} < 10\%$

$\Delta$  (delta) indicates the difference between two measured values.

At the end of an **FVC** test the reproducibility of a single parameter is indicated alongside the numerical value by a **+** sign (reproducible) or a **-** sign (not reproducible).

An **FVC** test is defined as reproducible when you have the reproducibility (**+**) for at least the **FVC** and **FEV1** parameters.

## METHOD OF MEASUREMENT AND INTERPRETATION

The device uses the infrared interruption measurement principle, with two sets of optoelectronic transmitters and receivers.

A pair of deflectors positioned at the entry and at the exit of the turbine tube generates a vortex around the axis of the sensor in the passing air.

A rotor with a speed of rotation directly proportional to the air flow then interrupts the the infrared beams and generates a signal. The measurement of the air volume that passes through the tube is proportional to the interruption of the infrared rays.

This measurement principle guarantees stability, reproducibility and reliability over a long period of time.

The measurement is not effected by gas density, humidity or pressure.

The cleaning of the turbine flow sensor is very simple and essential for the protection of the subject from possible infections. For cleaning and sterilizing operations see the relative paragraph of this manual.

No calibration of the turbine is required but it is good practice to make a calibration check, see the simple instructions found in the relevant paragraph in the maintenance section of this manual.

### Method of test interpretation

Following every **FVC** test, the device makes a quality control check to verify the validity of the test made and also (if possible) a test interpretation by comparing the main measured parameters **FEV1**, **FEV1%** and **FVC** with the respective **normal** (predicted) values. It also calculates a series of indices as follows:

$$\text{index \%} = \text{measured values} / \text{normal value} \times 100$$

The interpretation of these indices % following the **ATS** standards then generates a series of messages corresponding to possible levels of obstruction or restriction and one level of normal spirometry, as shown in the following table :

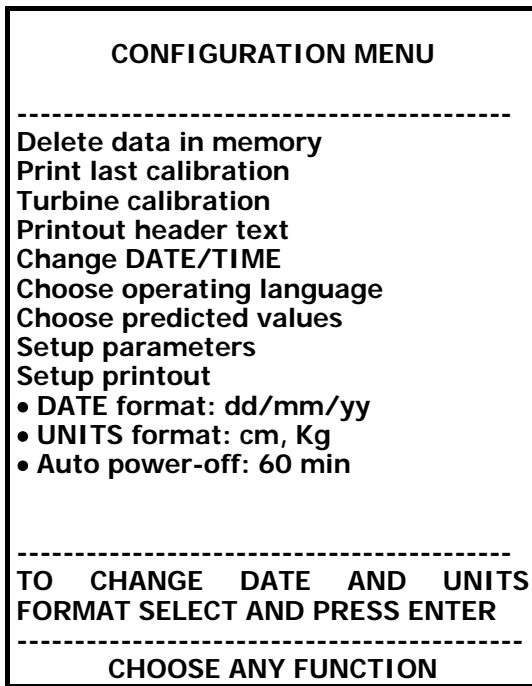
- **normal spirometry**
- **very mild restriction or obstruction**
- **mild restriction or obstruction**
- **moderate restriction or obstruction**
- **severe restriction or obstruction**
- **very severe restriction or obstruction**

If it is not possible to make the calculations for lack of data the interpretation is not valid and this message appears:

- **Not Valid**

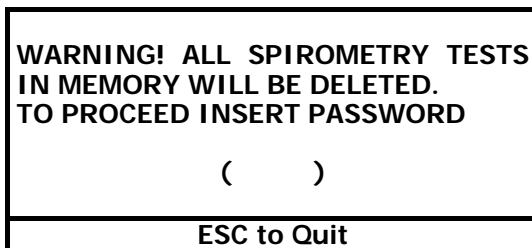
*Attention - The interpretation during a test session for each subject refers always to the best test result.*

**MENU** CONFIGURATION MENU



The various items within the configuration menu can be selected by pressing the corresponding number on the keyboard.

**Delete data in memory**

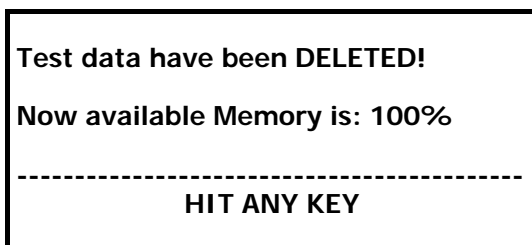


This option is used to delete all the test data in memory.

**ESC** to quit without deleting the test data.

**The password is: 122333**

The display then shows:



If the password is entered incorrectly, the display shows:

PASSWORD INCORRECT  
ENTER to Retry

---

ESC to Quit



to repeat the procedure

### Print last calibration

To print the turbine calibration coefficient currently in use plus the date of the last calibration made

### Turbine calibration

To modify the calibration of the turbine based on the **FVC** values (for the expiratory phase) and **FIVC** (for the inspiratory phase), measured during a test made with a calibration syringe.

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SYRINGE VOLUME cL:300
-----
Old          BTPS          %ERR
FVC          0             .00
FIVC         0             .00

New ATP
FVC
FIVC

-----
If FVC and FIVC = 0 then use factory
calibration

%ERR = TOTAL ERROR
BTPS = Measure condition
ATP = Conversion from BTPS

-----
HIT ANY KEY
  
```

*ATP stands for Ambient Temperature and Pressure which indicates that the measurement conditions are ambient temperature and pressure.*

*BTPS stands for Body Temperature and Pressure Saturated which represents a world standard reference condition for the measurement of spirometric parameters. All spirometric parameters are calculated at body temperature (37 °C) and pressure saturated.*

*In line with the publication STANDARDIZED LUNG FUNCTION TESTING of the' European Respiratory Society (Vol 6, Supplement 16, March 1993), the air expired from the mouth is at a temperature of approximately 33/34 °C.*

*The expired flow and volume, to be converted to BTPS conditions (37 °C) must be increased by 2.6% This is derived from the BTPS factor of 1.026 at a temperature of 33 °C. In practice the BTPS factor for the expired flow and volumes is therefore fixed and equal to 1.026.*

*For the inspired volumes and flows, the BTPS factor depends upon the temperature of the ambient air inspired.*

*For example, at an ambient temperature of 20 °C the BTPS factor is 1.102 ie a correction of +10.2%.*

*The conversion of the inspired volumes and flows is made automatically as the machine has an internal temperature sensor, and the BTPS values are thus calculated.*

It is possible to insert the volume in cL of the calibration syringe used (for a 3 litre syringe enter **300 cL**).

Insert both the **FVC** and **FIVC** values measured in a test with a calibration syringe. The coefficient correction factors now are calculated and shown.

If they are < 20 % the new correction % are shown.

If the percentage is greater than 20% the display shows:

%Error out of range

To indicate that the system is not able to correct such a large calibration error.

*When a new calibration is made, then the new correction factor will be added to the existing factor (if any).*

The display shows the previous calibration (**Previous**) with the **FVC** and **FIVC** values and the percentage differences (**diff %**).

If no calibration has ever been made then **FVC** and **FIVC** are equal to the nominal value of the syringe and the percentage differences are null.

To cancel the current calibration factor and thus reset the calibration factor to the original value set by the manufacturer enter **0** (zero) in the space reserved for the **FVC** and **FIVC** values.

*The flow sensor does not require calibration but only periodic cleaning of the turbine. In any case, if a calibration must be made, consider the following information:*

*1) If a 3 L syringe is used to make the calibration and if the machine is correctly calibrated then the FVC (syringe) value will be:  
3.00 (FVC) × 1.026 (BTPS) = 3.08 L (BTPS) (for more information on BTPS see the relevant note).*

*2) If the ambient temperature is 20 °C, the value of the FIVC (syringe) value will be:  
3.00 (FIVC) × 1.102 (BTPS) = 3.30 L (BTPS).*

*The user should be aware that the volume of the syringe measured by the machine is converted automatically to BTPS conditions and therefore the results compared to the expected values does not constitute an error.*

*For instance if the calibration is carried out with a 3L syringe and the measured data is FVC = 3.08 and FIVC = 3.30 at an ambient temperature of 20 °C, the spirometer is perfectly calibrated and the relative correction factors are null. (No calibration is required!).*

*This does not constitute an error but it is a logical consequence of what has been explained above.*

#### **Printout header text**

To insert a line that will be printed at the beginning of each spirometry report.

#### **Change DATE/TIME**

To change the date and time. The time is shown in the 24 hour format.

#### **Choose operating language**

To modify the language of the device.

#### **Choose predicted values**

To select one of the predicted value sets available for the calculation of normal values.

#### **Setup parameters**

To enable or disable the printout of spirometry parameters


#### **Setup printout**

To enable or disable the printout of the F/V and V/t curves plus test interpretation


#### **DATE format: dd/mm/yy**

To change the date format from *dd/mm/yy* to *mm/dd/yy*. Press enter  to invert the selection.

#### **UNITS format: cm,kg**

To change the units format from *cm, kg* to *in, lb*. Press enter  to invert the selection.

#### **Auto power-off: 6 min**

To change the wait-time for auto power off, either 6 or 60 minutes. Press enter  to invert the selection.




**MEM** FIND AND READ TESTS IN MEMORY

Press this key to see the menu to view and to print all test data stored in the memory of the device.

FIND AND READ TESTS IN MEMORY  
-----  
Subject List  
Memory List  
-----  
CHOOSE ANY FUNCTION

**Subject List**


SUBJECT LIST  
-----  
INSERT LAST NAME OR THE FIRST  
LETTERS(S) OF LAST NAME TO FIND  
ALL MATCHINGS FILES IN MEMORY  
-----  
LAST NAME:

Insert the last name of the subject, or just the first letter or letters of the last name.  
All corresponding surnames found in memory will then be listed, together with the FILE number.  
Insert the relevant FILE number to view and/or to print the corresponding spirometry report.  
Press  to print out the corresponding test(s).

**Memory list**

A list is shown of all the subjects/tests held in memory of the device.  
Insert the relevant FILE number to view and/or to print the corresponding spirometry report.

LAST NAME	FILE	PHASE
Rossi	1	PRE
^ v Pag, Read FILE N. 1		

Press  to print out the corresponding test(s).



## FILE ORGANIZATION


The memory of the spirometer is a 'string' of memory areas called **records**, each of which contain information regarding a single test session.


In detail, each record is made up as follows:

- Anthropometric details of the subject
- Date, time and ambient temperature at the time of the **FVC** test
- Reproducibility and quality control information
- Parameters stored with the **FVC** test:  
**FVC, FEV1, PEF, FEF75, FEF2575, FET, \*PEF, \*FVC, \*FEV1, FEV1%, FEV6, FEV6%, FEV1/FEV6%, FEF25, FEF50, Vext, FIVC, FIV1, FIV1%, PIF, FEV1%/VC%**
- Parameters stored with the **VC** test:  
**VC, IVC, \*(VC or IVC), ERV, IC, TV, VE, fr, ti, te, TV/ti, te/tt**
- Parameters stored with the **MVV** test:  
**MVV**
- Points of the expiratory part and (if made) the inspiratory part of the Flow/Volume curves then the points of the Volume/time curve.

*All of the parameters are always stored even if not all of the tests were made ( in this case the results of those parameters are stored as zero). The symbol \* indicates the best result of that subject.*

Spirometry results can be recalled from the memory.

To go into the database, press the  key and select the required record based on the FILE number or on the subject ID code.

The results of the selected test can be printed by pressing the  key while viewing them.

## MAINTENANCE CLEANING AND STERILIZATION



### Cleaning the device

The cleaning of the device must be made with a damp cloth. Make sure to dry it afterwards.

Do not wet or immerse the device and power supply in any liquids.

Do not use any abrasive materials to clean the device.

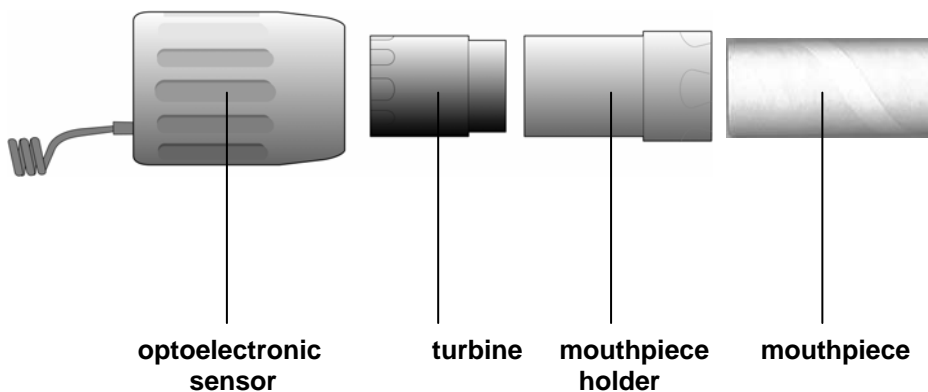


### Cleaning and sterilizing the turbine and the mouthpiece holder

The maintenance operations to perform are the periodic cleaning and controlling of the turbine flow sensor

The turbine guarantees the precision of the spirometry measurements and has the great advantage of requiring no periodic calibration. In order to maintain this precision a simple periodic cleaning is required. This operation also guarantees hygiene and thus safety for the subject.

It is a good practise to control visually and to ensure that there are no foreign bodies, hairs or similar objects deposited within the body of the turbine. If this does happen then this can slow or even stop the free rotation of the turbine blade and thus compromise the accuracy of the measurements.



Extract the mouthpiece and throw it away.

Extract the mouthpiece holder from the body of the optoelectronic sensor simply by pulling it from the mouthpiece holder. If required it can also be pushed from behind.

Separate the turbine from the mouthpiece holder and immerge both in a cold sterilizing solution.

*Do not sterilize in an autoclave. This operation would cause irreparable damage to the turbine.*

Move them briskly inside the solution in order to remove any impurities contained both inside and outside of the pieces. Leave them immersed for the time specified in the instructions of the solution.

Rinse well in clean water and do not expose the turbine to a direct jet of water.

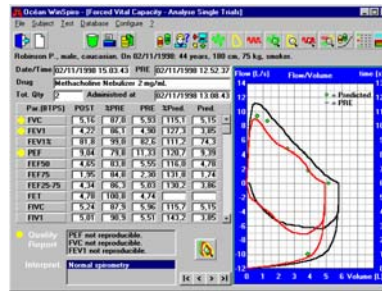
Let the water drip off of the turbine and the mouthpiece holder by shaking them and then put them to dry on a clean surface in an upright position.

When the two elements are dry insert the turbine into the mouthpiece holder and then insert them into the optoelectronic sensor.

*To avoid ambiental contamination caused by the disposal of the cleaning and sterilizing solutions, the user must follow all local regulations.*

**Verify the free movement of the turbine.**

- Switch on **Spirolab** as if to make a spirometry test (for example **FVC**)
- Hold the optoelectronic sensor in one hand and move it gently from side to side so that air passes through the turbine
- If the rotor within the turbine is turning correctly then you will hear a **beep** that indicates that the turbine is moving within the specific low flow range indicated by the beeping
- If moving the turbine from side to side at a constant velocity, the regular *beeps* or no beeps at all are heard, then proceed with the cleaning of the turbine.



## On-Line operation of Spirolab II with Winspiro software.

- Install Winspiro to the PC and in "**General Configuration**" ensure that required COM port is selected (the default is COM1).
- Connect the (supplied) **RS232** cable both to the PC and to the Spirolab II.
- Switch **on** the Spirolab II.
- From within the Winspiro software, make a new subject card OR select an existing subject, in either case make a new visit card with today's date.
- Make the spirometry testing from within Winspiro. The Spirolab II shows "**ON-LINE MODE: Connected via RS232**" on the screen and the testing is made on the PC. The results are calculated, shown and stored within Winspiro.
- Switch **off** the Spirolab II when testing is finished.

## PROBLEMS / CAUSES AND SOLUTIONS

### **The device does not switch on**

Press firmly on the **on** key.

The internal battery may be discharged. Make sure that the power supply cable of the charging unit is connected to the spirometer and that the plug is inserted correctly into the mains outlet, then proceed with charging.

### **The LCD does not display**

Using the two appropriate keys regulate the brightness and the contrast of the display.

### **The battery charging is not working correctly**

The device is protected thermically. In case the power supply of the battery reaches high temperatures then a thermal protection intervenes and prevents the charging.

This thermo protector can intervene if:

- the device has operated over the functioning limits indicated in this manual.
- the device is operated near a heat sources, or in ambients with a temperature either too high or too low.

Disconnect the power supply and let it cool down before continuing with charging.

### **The lithium battery for the data memory indicates discharged**

If the internal lithium battery is discharged, the spirometry parameters in the memory and other configuration data may be cancelled automatically.

Call an authorized service centre to replace it.

### **The printer does not print**

The thermal paper may have run out.

Insert a new roll of thermal paper.

### **The printer is in thermal protection**

The printer is also protected thermically. In case the printer reaches elevated temperatures then a thermal protection device intervenes and blocks the functioning of the printer.

A message on the display appears to signal the protection.

Let the printer cool down before turning on the device again.

### **The printer makes noises**

Make sure there is a sufficient quantity of thermal paper.

Make sure that the thermal paper and the thermal paper holder are positioned correctly.

Make sure that the thermal paper container lid is in the correct position.

### **The device does not measure**

Make sure that the turbine's cable is connected to the spirometer and that the plug is inserted properly in the appropriate connector.

Make sure that the turbine is inserted correctly into the optoelectronic holder.

### **The device does not measure correctly**

Make sure the turbine is inserted correctly in the optoelectronic holder. Carry out the **Control of the turbine free movement** illustrated in the relevant paragraph in the maintenance chapter.

*In case the device does not resume correct functioning in spite of the controls made, call the manufacturer or an authorized service centre.*

## LIMITED WARRANTY CONDITIONS

This MIR product together with its standard accessories is guaranteed for a period of ONE YEAR from the date of purchase. In the case of any warranty claims the relevant sales invoice (or another proof of purchase document) must be submitted to MIR.

The instrument must be checked at the time of purchase and any claims must be made immediately in writing to MIR.

This warranty covers the repair or the replacement (at the discretion of the manufacturer) of the product or of the defective parts without charge for the parts or for the labour

All batteries and other consumable parts are specifically excluded from the terms of this guarantee.

The warranty is not valid, and the judgement of the MIR technicians is final, in the following cases:

- If the fault is due to an improper installation or operation of the machine, or if the installation does not conform to the current safety norms in the country of installation.
- If the product is used in a different way from that described in the User's Manual (improper, incorrect and/or unreasonable use)
- If any alteration, adjustment, modification or repair has been carried out by personnel not authorised by MIR.
- If the fault is caused by lack of or incorrect routine maintenance of the machine.
- If the machine has been dropped, damaged or subjected to physical or electrical stress.
- If the fault is caused by the mains or by another product to which the instrument has been connected.
- If the serial number of the instrument is missing, tampered with and/or not clearly legible.

The repair or replacement described in this warranty is supplied for goods returned at the customer's expense to our certified service centre. For details of these centres please contact your supplier of the spirometer or contact the manufacturer directly.

The customer is responsible for the transportation and for all transport and customs charges for the delivery of the goods both to and from the service centre.

Any instrument or accessory returned must be accompanied by a clear and detailed explanation of the defect or problem found. If units are to be returned to the manufacturer then written or verbal permission must be received before any instruments are returned to MIR.

MIR reserves the right to modify the instrument if required, and a description of any modification made will be sent along with the returned goods.