

GRASS® Comet-PLUS® PSG



Lab-based & Portable Sleep Diagnostics

- Complete Workflow Solution
- Dependable Hardware & Service
- Import & Export Capabilities
- Extended Sleep & EEG Capabilities





Our Natus Brand Promise Trusted Customer-Focused Technology

Natus Neurology is your partner in advancing patient care. An international leader, Natus offers a comprehensive line of healthcare equipment and products used for screening, detecting, treating, monitoring and tracking common and uncommon neurophysical patient conditions. Natus Neurology works closely with you to improve patient lives.

Accurate, fast and easily retrievable information is vital. Natus Neurology has years of experience developing electrodiagnostic systems that help providers get the right information for the best patient care. Reliable condition assessment depends on the caliber of equipment used and directly affects how quickly treatment can be administered. Paired with the improved ability to efficiently access, archive and retrieve electronic medical records, Natus can help you increase the quality of care, improve safety and streamline workflow.

Powerful & unique sleep systems

With over 75 years experience in designing and manufacturing reliable, high-quality instrumentation for the neurodiagnostic community, Grass brings you the Comet-PLUS systems, and continues to provide complete solutions for all of your PSG monitoring needs.

These powerful, easy-to-use sleep diagnostic systems consist of the high response 57-channel AS40-PLUS Amplifier System, a quick-disconnect headbox with electrode inputs designed especially for PSG, TWin PSG Record and Review Software and powerful Panorama digital video. These flexible systems upgrade easily to also record EEG-type studies. Grass's FASS Fully-Automated Sleep Stager software, other advanced analysis programs, and a wide selection of supplies and accessories are also available.

Features

- Compact design that is rugged, lightweight, and easy to use
- Easily connect to any PC with the on-board Ethernet port
- Flexible enough for both Sleep, Extended Sleep, and EEG applications
- Up to 57 total available channels
- Integrated pulse-oximeter connection providing SpO2, Rate, PPG, and Plethysmogram
- Simple, identifiable electrode inputs with the head and body diagram layouts
- On-board impedance checking and calibrations at the amplifier system
- Easily mounted bedside

Comet-PLUS XL Lab-based PSG

Comet-PLUS XL is a complete PSG system designed to satisfy the needs of the physician's office, hospital, or medical center. Ready to use, Comet-PLUS XL is supplied with the latest high performance PC and Panorama Digital Video/Audio software. Select from various monitors, cameras, sensors, supplies, and accessories to suit your individual needs.

Comet-PLUS Portable PSG

Comet-PLUS Portable PSG system is supplied with the latest high-performance laptop computer and Panorama

Digital Video/Audio software.

A wide selection of accessories can be added.



Comet-PLUS XL PSG with Panorama video, optional IT9 mobile rack cart, and 24" flat panel monitor

Amplifier System Reliable, state-off-the-art

Grass amplifiers are world-renowned in the field of neurophysiology for their quality, reliability, simplicity, and serviceability. At the heart of the Comet-PLUS PSG is the AS40-PLUS Amplifier System. The amplifier is designed specifically for PSG and EEG monitoring and combines the latest digital design techniques with years of amplifier

design and manufacturing experience.

The AS40-PLUS is a compact amplifier unit which includes 30 AC channels with the SPM-PLUS sleep personality module, 4 built-in auxiliary DC channels, and 4 channels from the built-in pulse oximeter.



The optional UPM-PLUS (40-channel) universal personality module, DCM8 8-input auxiliary DC input module, and Patient Event Button can be added to the system for a total of 57 channels. This flexibility allows for wide range of physiological parameters to be recorded.

The amplifier system provides for patient safety isolation, signal conditioning (physiological signal amplification and filtering), and digitization. Communications with a host computer are accomplished using TCP/IP protocol over Ethernet network or dedicated cable. A host computer, using TWin software, sets the sample rate, starts and stops the data transmission, monitors the digital data, and stores it to hard disk.

An intuitive user interface with LCD screen is present with the amplifier. From the amplifier itself, a user is able to implement such features as electrode impedance checking, amplifier calibration, and photic stimulator control. Also from the LCD display a user is able to obtain information such as connection status to the host computer, and oximetry/pulse rate information when an oximeter is in use.



Personality Modules: The flexible design of the amplifier allows different Personality Modules to be used. The small, lightweight Personality Modules are tethered with a Quick Disconnect feature

The SPM-PLUS Sleep Personality Module is supplied with the amplifier in Comet-PLUS PSG systems. The SPM-PLUS provides 30 AC channels and can be worn by the patient or conveniently placed bedside. The compact headbox is especially useful with the Comet-PLUS PSG system which includes all the latest features for AASM requirements.

The powerful bedside amplifier and fully-featured TWin software make Comet-PLUS a leading choice of sleep professionals.

An optional UPM-PLUS, Universal Personality Module, is also available for extended sleep studies. The UPM-PLUS offers a combination of referential and bipolar inputs for a total of 40 AC channels.

Support and Service: All Grass instrumentation is backed by a strong support staff ready to respond to all of your needs. Technical support is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Request information on our Customer Support Plans. Training is also available.



TWin[®] PSG

Flexible, easy-to-use software

Many years of dedication to the field of sleep diagnostics has allowed Grass to develop a software platform that is easy to use, yet flexible enough to change with the latest standards.

Flexibility: TWin PSG will meet your specific needs, requirements and preferences. Easy to use tools allow the user to customize notation lists, montages, event definitions, keyboard triggers, waveform display views and more.

Montages: Create virtually unlimited montages, off-line or in real-time, with the intuitive Montage Editor. Average M1 and M2 to eliminate artifact, average referencing, assign specific channel types to facilitate event scoring, and colored tracings are some of the features within the Montage Editor. The Montages used for a given study are also stored with the PSG data for retrieval during review or in the future when reviewing archived data.

Work Spaces: Use Profile Manager to configure a profile for each technician or doctor using the system. Their montage, trace color, record configuration, review setup, and other preferences are stored and loaded at any time. Specific test applications and parameters can also be saved as different profiles.

Recorder: The recording module opens instantly, with just a click on the "Start Recording" icon. Easily perform impedance checks, calibrations, and montage adjustments.

Entering user-defined events and annotations is as simple as a single keystroke.

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TWin export functions allow output of information (raw data, graphics, and text to standard formats (including ASCII and EDF), as well as direct links to programs in Microsoft Office[®] for report generation and database management. TWin can also import EDF files.

Sleep Scoring: Stage and score recordings efficiently and accurately. A predefined list of stages and scores can be utilized, or create new events to meet your specific needs. Computer assisted sleep scoring is available for Respiratory, Leg Movement, Snore, Bruxism, and Desaturation events. Automatic Arousal correlations and EKG, body position, EtCO2, TCO2, and DC channel trending is also available. Finally, utilize the Sleep Scoring Comparison Module to assist with laboratory inter-scorer reliability comparisons.





TWin Sleep Staging and Scoring Comparison for laboratory inter-scorer reliability comparison

Reports: Select from various pre-configured single and multi-page sleep reports! Use Sleep Report Wizard to create additional sleep report statistics. Customization of reports can be implemented to meet the specific needs of your sleep lab. Reports include examples of diagnostic, therapeutic, split-night, MSLT, MWT, and physician interpretation reports.



Patient & Study Database

TWin's Database Explorer allows efficient manage of patients and studies. Fully integrated with TWin acquisition/review/report software and Patient Scheduler, the Database Explorer allows the user to:

- Launch TWin Acquisition and Review
- Search, sort, and query patient and study information
- Add user-definable fields which can be queried
- Define and save frequently used queries
- Link to, and easily access other files (Word, Reports, images, etc.)
- Quickly archive study data to CD/DVD/USB Drives
- Track patient progress

• Track activity of laboratory staff and referring physicians This HIPAA compliant software is password protected, allows multiple users and log-ins, allows user access levels to restrict features, and tracks user activity.

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TWinLOOK® Review Software

- Review patient data anywhere
- Friendly, easy-to-use interface
- Ideal for sharing data with colleagues
- Compatible with Microsoft PowerPoint[®]

With the TWinLOOK review-only software, PSG and video recordings can be reviewed on any Windows® XP/7 computer, without the need to purchase additional software. TWinLOOK offers a friendly interface that allows the user to review studies recorded on any TWin-based acquisition system. The user can change montages and adjust filter and amplitude settings, review synchronized video, view annotations, scoring and reports. TWinLOOK can be incorporated into PowerPoint slide shows for presenting patient data and video samples. The PSG and video data will automatically start and stop playing based upon user editing. TWinLOOK also allows physicians and hospital to send data acquired in their laboratory to others for review, facilitating exchange of data with referring physicians, colleagues, collaborators, and/or to obtain second opinions.

Remote Video/Data Review

TWin PSG software is Citrix compatible. Having TWin PSG installed on the lab's or hospital's Citrix Server allows multiple and simultaneous users to review and score PSG data and video from virtually anywhere in the world from any PC with Internet access.

TWin Portal Software Add-on for HL7 interface to the Hospital Information System (HIS)

TWin Portal runs as a service to facilitate the exchange of patient and study information with a HIS. TWin Portal waits for HL7 messages and returns messages when appropriate. Information can be transferred to the TWin database and Grass Scheduler applications. The TWin Portal configuration utility will assist in the setup of the TWin Portal service.

PANORAMA® Synchronized digital video/audio software

Panorama Digital Video & Audio Software

- Grass MPEG4 video compression for high resolution video with ultra low data rates
- Full window resizing during acquisition & review
- Overlay: up to full screen digital video display with waveform data appearing over the video image with transparent background
- Virtual Pan & Zoom features during acquisition & review
- Digital brightness, contrast and color saturation controls during record and review

Panorama Digital Video uses the latest Grass MPEG4-based video compression. Grass digital video compression permits the highest resolution with the lowest storage needs. The compression techniques are optimized for smooth network functionality and it uses a self-adjusting variable data rate depending on the amount of motion in the picture, while maintaining the same level of quality. Lower data rates require lower disk storage space and result in faster data transfer.

The Overlay feature, unique to TWin, allows display of the video image behind the waveforms with a transparent background. This allows you to see both the patient image and all of the waveform traces. Video and data can be viewed in real-time from remote locations (Nurses' station, physician's offices, etc.) over the network.

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FASS® Fully-automated sleep stager software -Not available in the USA

Fully-Automated Sleep Stager (FASS) is an add-on analysis module for TWin[®] PSG review software. FASS software identifies standard sleep stages automatically, deriving information from various parameters of the EEG, EOG, and Chin EMG.

With FASS, a sleep study is completely staged in less than one minute, providing a great time savings to the sleep lab. FASS uses a rule-based approach to sleep staging, which combines automatically-detected sleep events (spindles, phasic REM, etc.) with automatically-computed parameters (FFT frequency analysis, amplitude, etc.), to replicate standard sleep staging. FASS provides full staging of wakefulness, 4 stages of sleep, automatic arousal detection, k-complexes, and spindles.

Two levels of analysis are performed by FASS: individual page analysis (First Pass), and context and stage transition analysis (Second Pass). During the First Pass, FASS assigns a sleep stage to each page. The stage is determined based on a decision flow chart that takes into account the presence/absence of sleep events and the values of the computed parameters on that page. During the Second Pass, FASS applies context rules and stage transition rules.

The comprehensive user interface of FASS permits changing some of the staging parameter thresholds and rules, as well as default settings. Amplitude and EEG frequency trends, such as Delta and Alpha percentage trends and Chin EMG amplitude trends, are also computed and can be displayed on the PSG timeline along with the sleep staging hypnogram.

FASS creates a fully-staged study that can be reviewed, modified, and exported to a standard report. The study results can be compared to an expert PSG scorer's staging using TWin's Scoring Comparison program.

More Optional Software Add-ons

Request more information on the following TWin Software packages:

- Neuromonitoring Software for amplitude, frequency and burst-suppression trending
- Patient Scheduler Software integrated with the TWin Database for complete lab management
- TWin Monitor2 Software for remote video/PSG real-time viewing and system control

Electrodes & Accessories

A complete line of high quality genuine Grass electrodes, electrode application products, sensors, digital impedance meters, etc. are available to suit all of your needs.

For your shopping convenience these items may be purchased from our Online Store or your local representative.





Specifications:

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Grass AS40-PLUS with 57* channels of data AC channels: Sleep Personality Module (included): 24 referential EEG/PSG AC inputs, 1 reference input, 1 patient ground, 6 bipolar AC channels Universal Personality Module (optional): 32 referential EEG/PSG AC inputs, 1 reference input, 1 patient ground, 8 bipolar AC channels DC inputs: 4 auxiliary DC inputs, 1 integrated pulse oximeter connection for SpO2, Rate, PPG, and plethysmogram DC Input Module for up to 8 auxiliary DC channels and 1 Event Button input *Expandable to 57 channels with UPM-PLUS, DCM8-KIT, and Event Button. Maximum data channel count is determined by the type of AC and DC input modules in use. AC Input Signal Range Referential and Bipolar AC channels: 4 mV peak to peak full-scale Differential DC voltage tolerance: 500 mV maximum **DC Input Signal Range** ±2.5 V Input Characteristics ≥20 Megohm impedance, all inputs including reference All referential and bipolar AC inputs electrically isolated from earth ground Standard Bandwidth: 0.5 Hz to 100 Hz, **Frequency Response** -3 dB, 0.1 to 100 Hz recoverable with TWin Respiratory Bandwidth: 0.015 Hz to 100 Hz, -3 dB AC channels: 1200 ±2% Amplification Vertical Resolution 16 bits (0.06 µV/bit) Sampling Rate 800 samples/second/channel Storage Rate Definable via TWin software >80 dB, all AC channels, at 50/60 Hz CMR **CMRR** >80 dB (signal ref), >100 dB (earth ref) Noise <2 µV peak to peak referred to input Referential inputs only: range, 1 kohm to Impedance Test Mode 100 kohms, 10% **Calibration Signal** Referential inputs only: 500 μ V peak to peak $\pm 2\%$ Patient Bias Current Maximum: <4 nA Typically: 300 pA **Event Input** 1 pushbutton patient signaling input Photic 1 photic (flash unit) control line **Connectivity to Host PC** Standard Ethernet, TCP/IP protocol Power Medical-grade Isolated Power System AS40-PLUS Amplifier System: approximately Physical Size 7"W x 6"H x 2"D (17.8 x 15.3 x 5.1 cm) Weight: 2.3 lbs (1.1 kg) Personality Module alone: approximately 5.5"W x 5"H x 1"D (14 x 12.3 x 2.5 cm) Weight: 0.4 lbs (0.2 kg) Software Powerful and user-friendly TWin record, review and analysis EEG software **Operating System** Windows® 7

Regulatory

AS40-PLUS Amplifier System: certified to UL2601-1, IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-1, IEC 60601-1-2, IEC 60601-1-4, IEC 60601-1-6, IEC 60601-2-26, CAN/CSA22.2.No.601.1; CE marked to EC MDD (93/42/EEC), Referential and Bipolar AC (patient) inputs isolated, Type BF

Ordering Information:

Comet-PLUS XL 57-Channel Digital PSG Record & Review System

Software includes: Grass TWin PSG acquisition and review software, Archiving software, Windows 7 Professional, and Microsoft Office

Hardware includes: Grass AS40-PLUS Amplifier System (57-channel*) with Sleep Personality Module, 10-foot (3 m) tether, RPSAS40 medical-grade power supply, amplifier wall-mount bracket, integrated pulse oximeter, and pulse oximeter extension cable

Archiving: DVD+/-RW Archiver, internal

Digital Video includes: TWin Panorama digital video/audio acquisition software and PC-based video capture device

Lab-based (Model CMXL-PLUS-P) System includes:

Latest high-performance PC-based acquisition system (network ready), keyboard, mouse, 20-button programmable keypad for notation entry and system operation, and AS40-PLUS cabling kit

Portable (Model CMP-PLUS-P) System includes:

Latest high-performance laptop-based acquisition system (network ready), AS40-PLUS cabling kit, and ACS-20749 carrying case

Comet-PLUS PSG recorder (Model CM-PLUS-P) base only includes:

TWin PSG Record and Review software, 57-channel* AS40-PLUS Amplifier System with Universal Personality Module, 10-foot (3 m) tether, and power supply (provide your own PC or laptop)**

** Grass personnel must approve all personal computers or laptops used with the Comet-PLUS base unit. Please contact Grass with any questions

All specifications subject to change without notice.

Mobile Rack Cart Options

Several mobile rack cart sizes are available



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