

# Microcell HC basic setup

## Electrochemistry served hot and cold

The Microcell HC basic setup has been designed to **adjust the sample temperature** when working with test cells from rhd instruments. Based on **Peltier element technique**, the accessible sample temperature range is **-40 °C to +100 °C**. The temperature is controlled with a **high accuracy of 0.1 °C** by means of precise Pt100 temperature sensors which are embedded in each test cell socket. Due to optimized control parameters and a very fast response to new temperature set points, temperature overshoots can be avoided.



## Suggested Accessories



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[TSC 1600 closed](#)



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[TSC battery](#)



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[TSC surface](#)



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[TSC spectro](#)

## Typical Applications:

- Determination of the **temperature-dependent electrolyte conductivity**.
- Investigation of the temperature-dependent **structure and dynamics of buried interfaces**.
- Investigation of the **temperature-dependent behavior of electrochemical systems** in general.



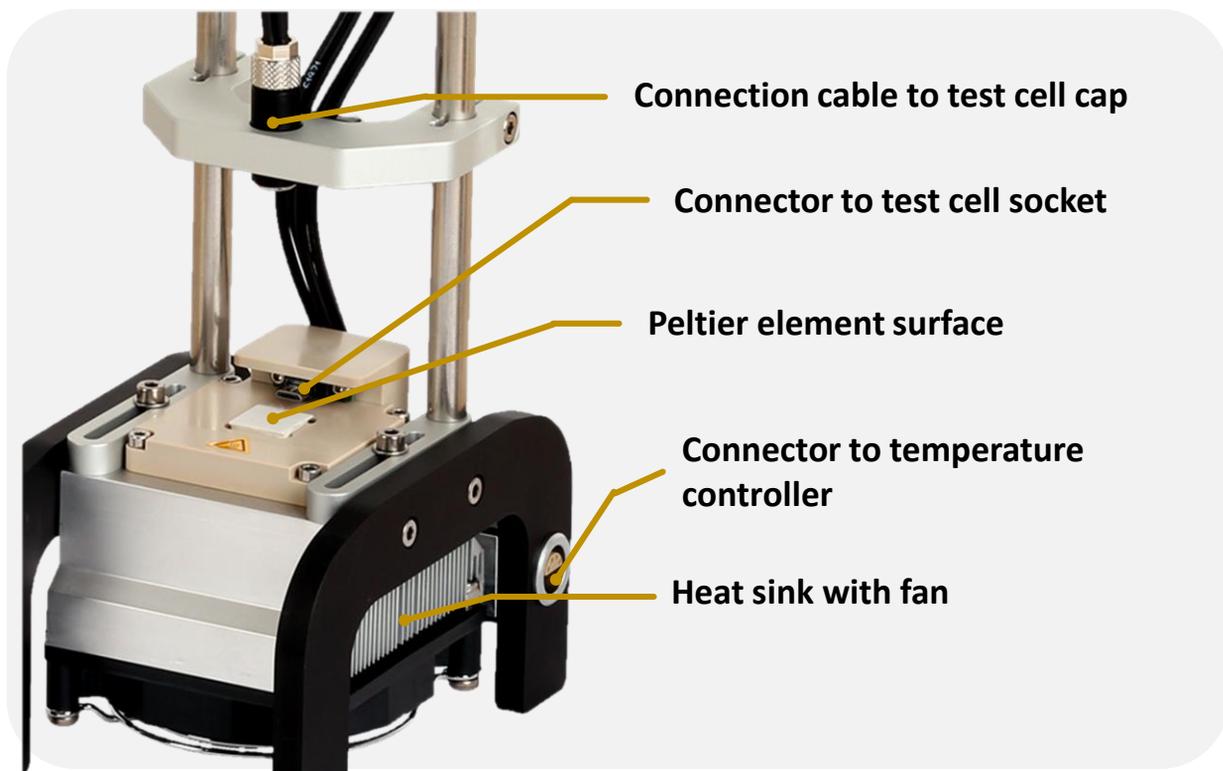
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## Technical Specifications

<b>Compatible test cells:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TSC 70/1600 closed</li> <li>• TSC Sw closed</li> <li>• TSC battery</li> <li>• TSC surface</li> <li>• TSC spectro</li> </ul>
<b>Adjustable temperature range:</b>	<p>-40 °C* ↔ +100 °C</p> <p>*accessible in combination with rhd Cooling Box</p>
<b>Communication protocol (temperature controller)</b>	<p>Modbus RTU over RS232 or analog I/O*</p> <p>*requires MultiSourceBox</p>
<b>Mains voltage (temperature controller)</b>	<p><math>U_{AC(rms)} = 100 \text{ to } 240 \text{ V}</math></p>
<b>Optional accessories:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rhd Cooling Box (for lower temperatures)</li> <li>• MultiSourceBox</li> </ul>

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# Microcell Passive setup

## One setup for many electrochemistry applications



The Microcell Passive setup has been designed to **provide a simple and reliable test cell fixture** when working with test cells from rhd instruments. The socket is made of anodized aluminium and offers a strain relief for the cables leading from the device to your test cell. The **test cell is therefore kept in place** and you have **significantly less wiring effort**. The cell fixture can be used inside of an oven or climate chamber to adjust the sample temperature. Optionally, the sample **temperature can be read out** from the Pt100 sensor embedded in the socket of each test cell

### Typical Applications:

- Determination of the **electrolyte conductivity**.
- Investigation of the **structure and dynamics of buried interfaces**.
- Investigation of the **behavior of electrochemical systems** in general.

### Suggested Accessories



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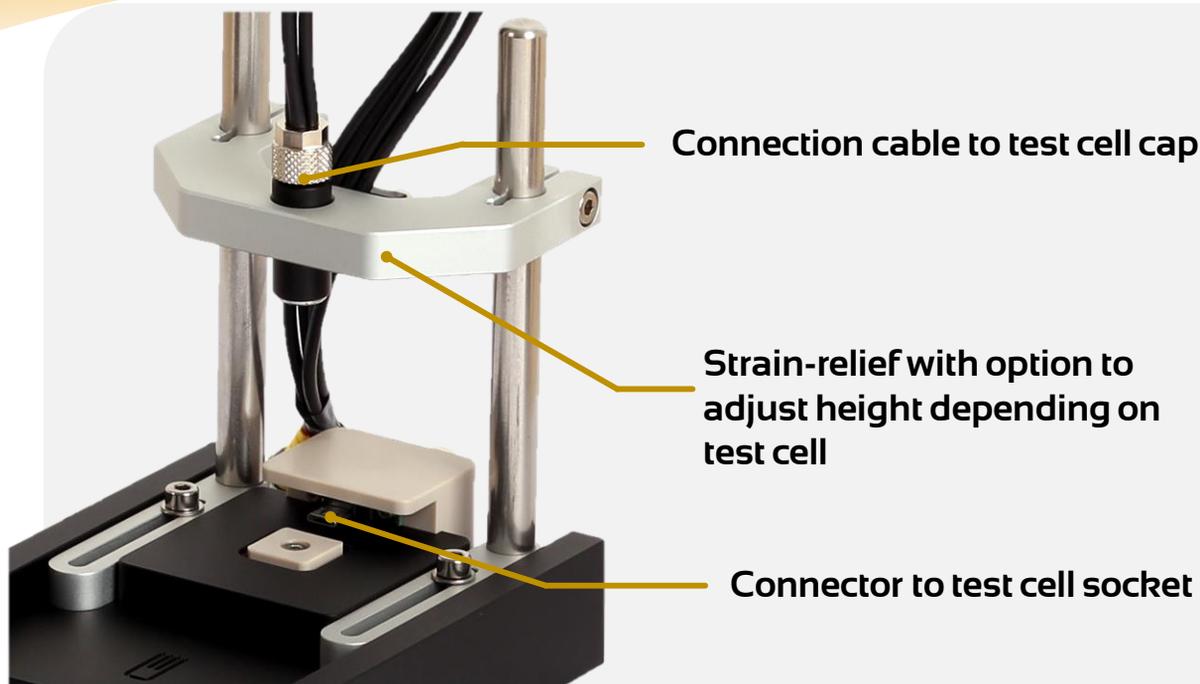


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# Microcell Passive setup



## Technical Specifications

### Compatible test cells:

- TSC 70/1600 closed
- TSC Sw closed
- TSC battery
- TSC surface
- TSC spectro
- TSC raman

### Temperature range during operation, e.g. inside of oven:

0 °C ↔ +75 °C

### Rated values of cell stand

11.3 cm x 9.5 cm x 25.0 cm (L x W x H)

### Optional accessories:

- Connector modification to read out sample temperature
- Transducer box

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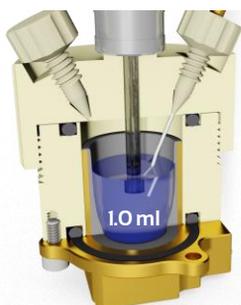
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# TSC 1600 closed

## The classic one - for liquid electrochemistry



The TSC 1600 closed enables the electrochemical studies on **liquid air- and moisture-sensitive samples**, requiring **only 1.0 ml sample volume**. A **platinum crucible** serves as sample container, and usually as counter electrode as well. The cap contains **four separate platinum electrodes** insulated by glass. Two additional ports for capillaries and reference electrodes ensure a **high level of flexibility**.



### Typical Applications:

- **Conductivity determination** by impedance spectroscopy
- Determination of the **electrochemical stability window** by cyclic voltammetry

### Suggested Accessories



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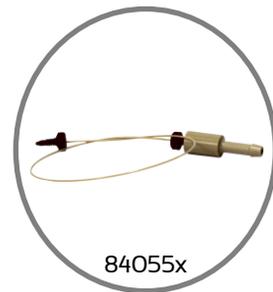
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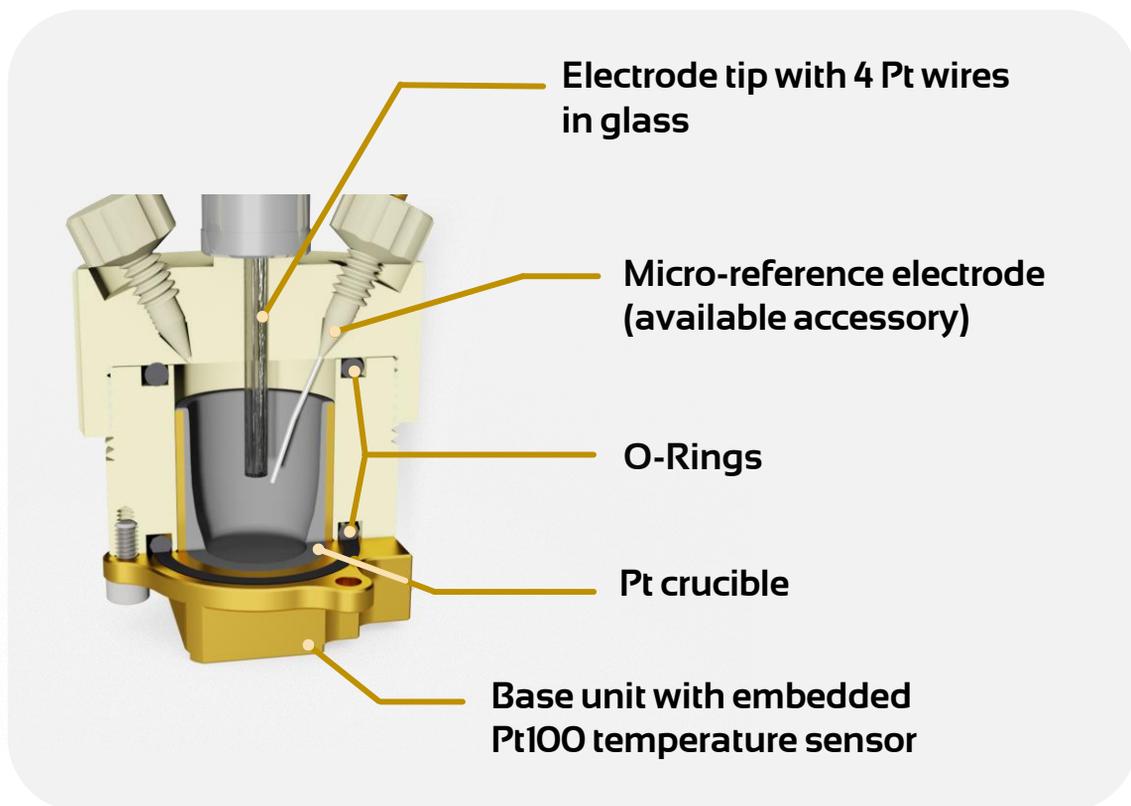


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# TSC 1600 closed



## Technical Specifications

<b>Suitable samples:</b>	Liquid, gels with low viscosity
<b>Temperature range:</b>	-40 °C ↔ +100 °C
<b>Materials in sample contact:</b>	PEEK, Pt, lime soda glass, EPDM
<b>Sample volume:</b>	1.0 ml
<b>Diameter Pt electrode in glass:</b>	0.25 mm each
<b>Option:</b>	Cap with exchangeable electrode tips

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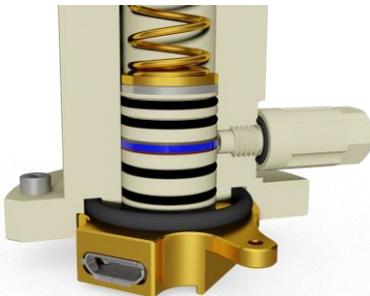
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# TSC battery

## The Allrounder for Polymeric and Solid Samples



The TSC battery cell family enables electrochemical studies on **liquid air- and moisture-sensitive polymeric and solid samples**, requiring **only small sample amounts**. The sample is contacted by two stainless steel current collector electrodes in a sandwich-like assembly. By default, the PEEK housing contains **two lateral ports** for inserting **reference electrodes** or capillaries ensuring a **high level of flexibility**. Coming with two contact springs with different spring loads, the **stack pressure can be adjusted** to values up to ca. 10 bar.



### Typical Applications:

- Determination of the **conductivity of solid and polymeric electrolytes**
- Determination of **MacMullin numbers of separator foils**
- Determination of **tortuosity values of active materials**

### Suggested Accessories



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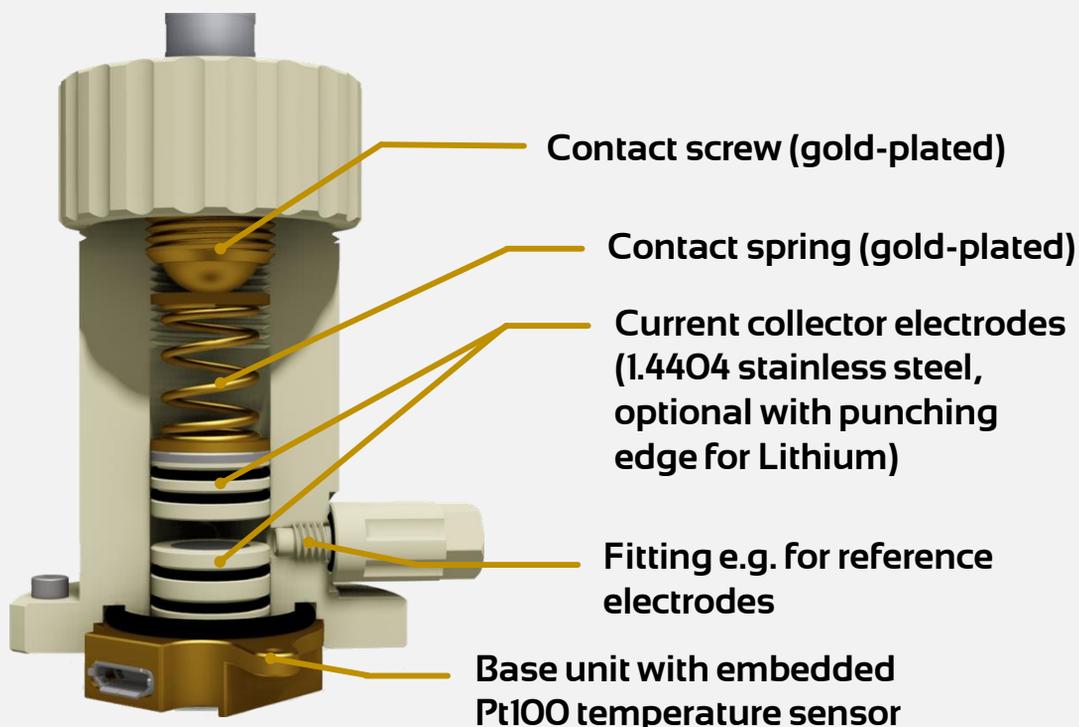


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# TSC battery



## Technical Specifications

Suitable samples:	Polymeric foils, solid pellets
Temperature range:	-40 °C ↔ +100 °C
Materials in sample contact:	PEEK, stainless steel 1.4404, EPDM
Max. sample diameter	12.0 mm
Max. sample thickness with min. stack pressure	2.4 mm
Spring rates	2.4 N/mm 32.6 N/mm
Options:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Electrode with punching edge</li><li>• Housing w/o ports</li></ul>

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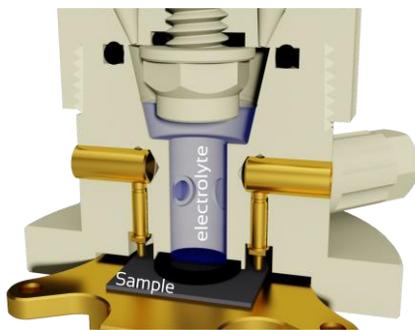
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# TSC surface

## The Allrounder for Studying Liquid | Solid Interfaces



The TSC surface cell enables electrochemical studies on **liquid air- and moisture-sensitive electrolytes in contact with solid samples**, requiring **only a low electrolyte volume**. The solid sample is contacted either from below via cell base or from above via contact pins. This enables experiments with insulating materials covered with conductive layers. By default, the test cell comes with a **glassy carbon counter electrode**. The PEEK housing contains **two lateral ports** for inserting reference electrodes or capillaries.



### Typical Applications:

- Determination of **properties of thin layers** on conductive templates
- Investigation of the structure of **electrochemical double layers**
- Investigation of **redox reaction** and the influence of catalytic coatings

### Suggested Accessories



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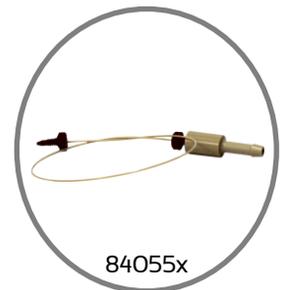
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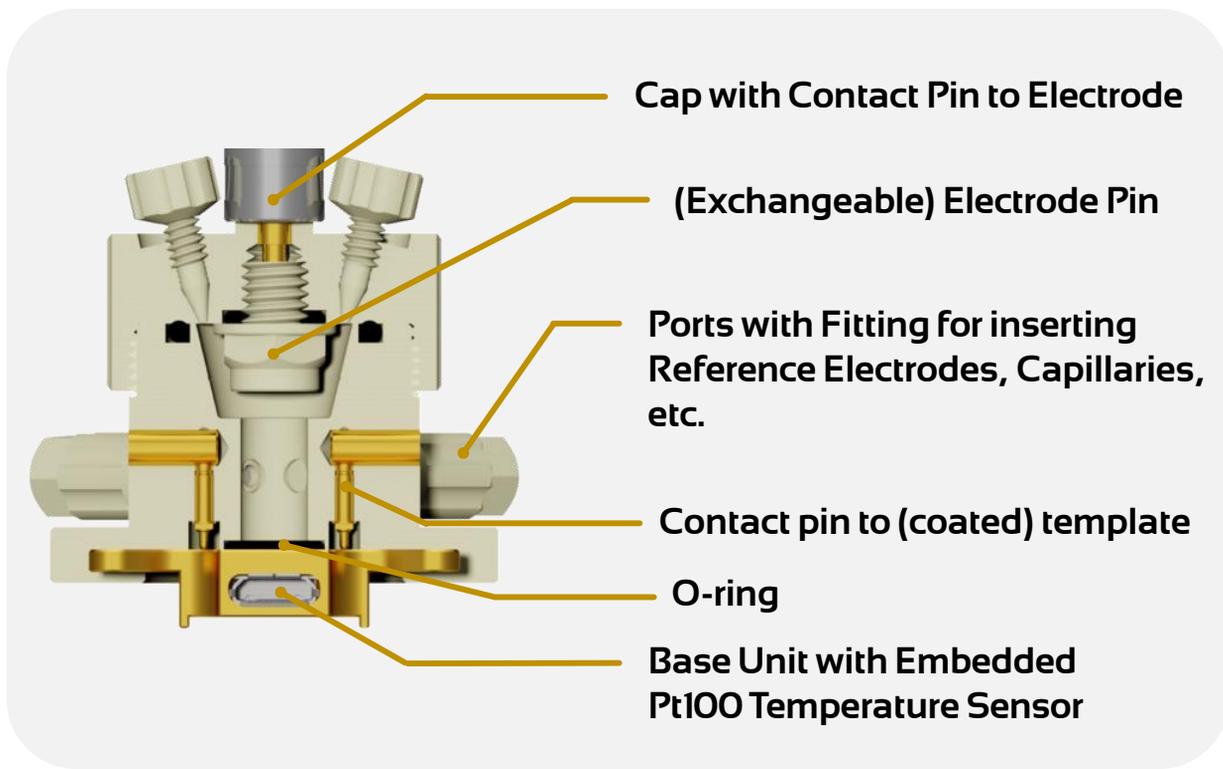


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# TSC surface



## Technical Specifications

<b>Suitable samples:</b>	Flat (coated) samples, liquid electrolytes
<b>Temperature range:</b>	-40 °C ↔ +100 °C
<b>Materials in sample contact:</b>	PEEK, FFKM/EPDM, glassy carbon
<b>Min. template size</b>	12.0 mm (disc Ø) 10.0 mm (rectangle)
<b>Max. template size</b>	20.0 mm (disc Ø) 15.0 mm (rectangle)
<b>Electrolyte volume</b>	0.6 ml
<b>Options:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Other electrode materials, e.g. Pt</li><li>• Re-fillable reference electrode</li></ul>

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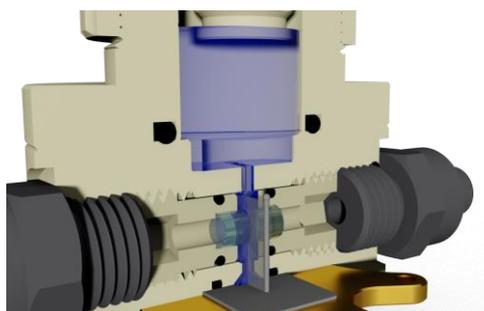
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# TSC spectro

## A must have for UV/Vis spectro-electrochemistry



The TSC spectro cell enables **UV/Vis spectro-electrochemical studies in transmission** configuration on solutions of **air- and moisture-sensitive redox- and UV/Vis-active species**, requiring only a **small volume of electrolyte**. A **platinum mesh** is used as working electrode and **glassy carbon** as counter electrode. By default, the cell comes with **quartz glass windows**, whose distance from each other **can be adjusted**. The PEEK housing, as well as the cap, provide **ports for the insertion of reference electrodes and capillaries**.

### Typical Applications:

- Investigations on **UV/Vis active redox species**
- **Permeability determination of membranes** for UV/vis active molecules
- Determination of the **life time** of short living intermediary species

### Suggested Accessories



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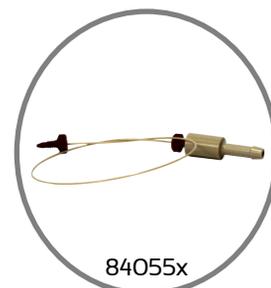
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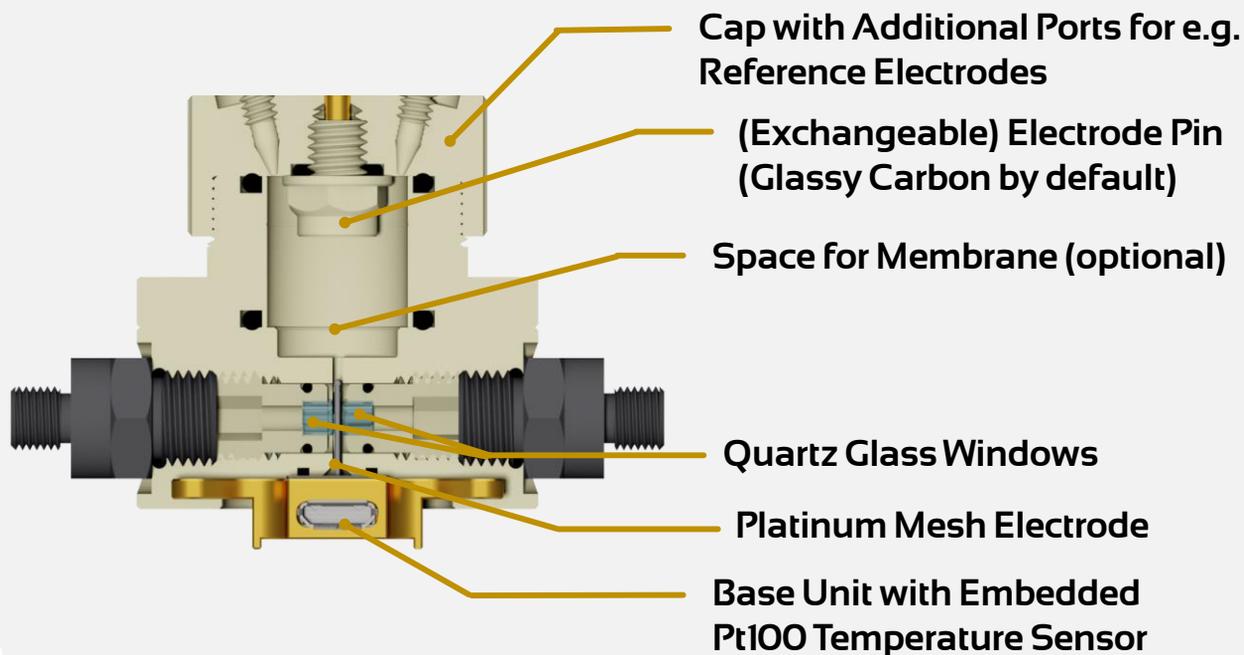
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## Technical Specifications

<b>Suitable samples:</b>	Solutions of redox- and UV/vis-active species
<b>Temperature range:</b>	-20 °C ↔ +80 °C
<b>Materials in sample contact:</b>	PEEK, FFKM/EPDM, platinum, glassy carbon, quartz glass
<b>Sample volume (standard)</b>	2 ml
<b>Min. sample volume (elongated counter electrode)</b>	0.5 ml
<b>Pt mesh electrode</b>	152x152 wires/inch 56% open area
<b>Options:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternative counter electrode materials</li> <li>• Re-fillable reference electrode</li> </ul>

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# TSC Raman

Designed for in situ Raman spectro-electrochemistry

The TSC Raman enables **in-situ Raman spectro-electrochemical studies** of interfaces between electrode materials and electrolyte solutions that are **air- and moisture-sensitive**. A stainless steel electrode is used as support for the working electrode material and a gold-plated stainless steel ring as counter electrode. By default, the cell comes with a **quartz glass window**. The PEEK housing provides **ports for the insertion of reference electrodes and capillaries**.



## Typical Applications:

- Investigations on **battery electrode material** | **battery electrolyte**
- Study of **corrosion processes at metal surfaces** in contact with salt solutions in different solvents
- **SERS** experiments to shed light on double layer structures.
- All types of **light exposure experiments**

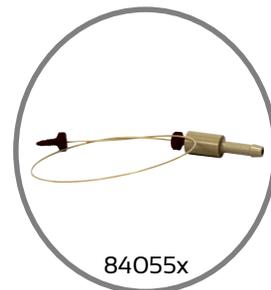
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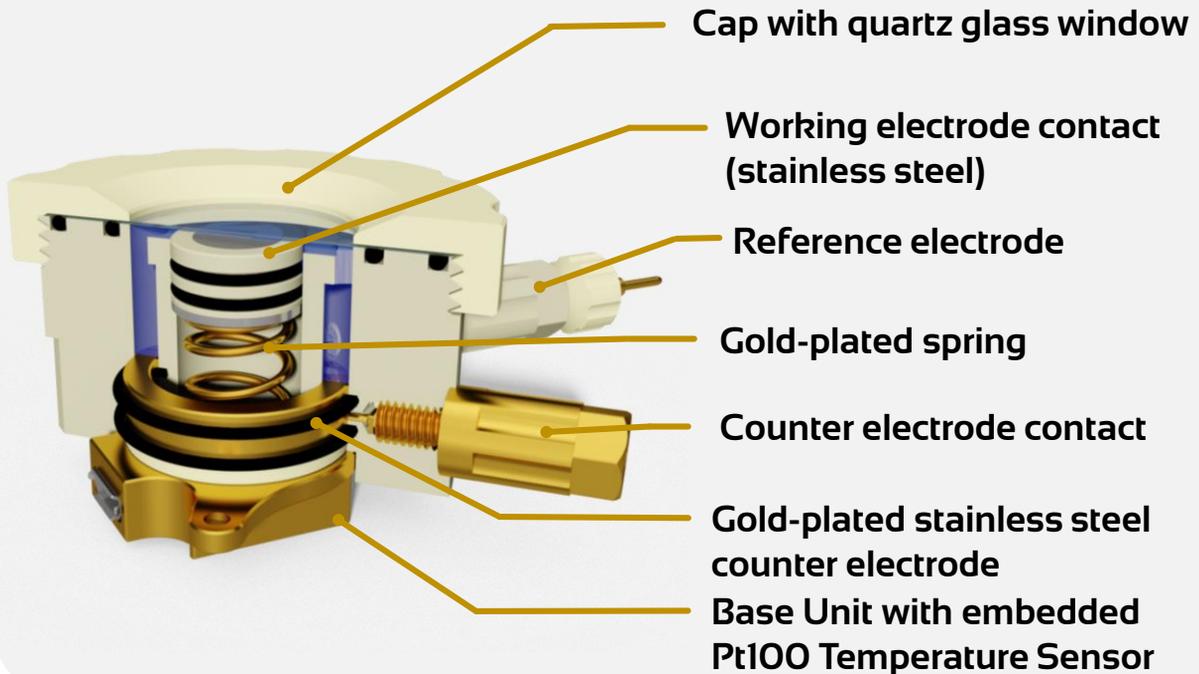
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# TSC Raman



## Technical Specifications

<b>Suitable samples:</b>	Raman-active species and interfaces
<b>Temperature range:</b>	+10 °C ↔ +30 °C
<b>Materials in sample contact:</b>	PEEK, FFKM, stainless steel, gold, quartz glass
<b>Sample volume (standard)</b>	2 ml
<b>Requirements for working electrode material</b>	Ø 12 mm, material coated on conductive substrate
<b>Thickness of quartz window</b>	0.5 mm
<b>Options:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WE contact with fixed height</li><li>• Customization possible</li></ul>

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