

New Feature

SUPPORT FOR ALL SUTTER INSTRUMENT AMPLIFIER SYSTEMS, INCLUDING THE NEW dPATCH® DIGITAL PATCH CLAMP RECORDING SYSTEM

SCOPE WINDOW PROVIDES INTUITIVE, EFFICIENT NAVIGATION THROUGH YOUR DATA

NEW: FULLY-INTEGRATED DYNAMIC CLAMP INTERFACE WITH UPDATE RATES UP TO 500kHz

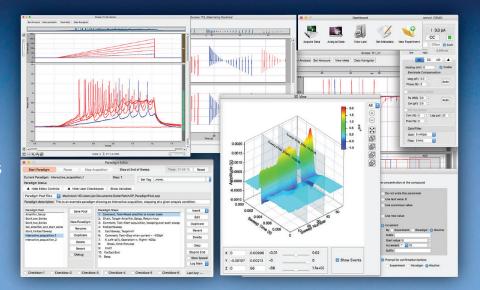
ROUTINES CONTROL DATA ACQUISTION WITH OR WITHOUT APPLICATION OF COMMAND WAVEFORMS

LINE FREQUENCY REDUCTION

PARADIGMS ENABLE PROCESS AUTOMATION AND ELIMINATE OPERATOR BIAS

THE DATA NAVIGATOR DISPLAYS THE ENTIRE EXPERIMENT IN A TREE STRUCTURE

REAL-TIME AND OFF-LINE ANALYSIS, INCLUDING MINI / SYNAPTIC EVENT DETECTION AND ACTION POTENTIAL CHARACTERIZATION



Screen shot of
SutterPatch software

SUTTERPATCH® DATA ACQUISITION, MANAGEMENT AND ANALYSIS SOFTWARE

SutterPatch® software is a full-featured electrophysiology data acquisition, management and analysis application for Windows or Mac OS computers. SutterPatch comes bundled with all Sutter Instrument Patch Clamp Amplifier Systems. The software controls data acquisition, provides real-time measurements to aid decision making during the experiment, keeps track of all amplifier parameters, records the experimental progress and stores a set of up to 600 metadata parameters. Built within the latest version of Igor Pro by WaveMetrics, Inc., SutterPatch provides immediate access to Igor's powerful scientific and engineering analysis tools.

Version 2 of **SutterPatch** software adds support for the new **dPatch**® Digital Patch Amplifier System as well as a multitude of new features and user interface improvements that also apply to the **IPA** Family of Amplifier Systems. The Membrane Test and Free Run have been upgraded. New triple slider and 2D-matrix controls facilitate compensation adjustments in the Amplifier Control Panel.

Particular emphasis was put into our intuitive navigation through large data sets. Controls that are familiar from electrophysiology software or applications in other fields, as well as entirely new approaches make finding a particular section of an experiment very easy.

The structured architecture of the data files was designed to retain the context of every sample within an experiment. With little effort at the beginning of an experiment, a plethora of metadata parameters are recorded — automatically where possible, configured by the user where desired. Each parameter can be reviewed before a Paradigm or Routine is executed.

SutterPatch software comes with a collection of sample Paradigms and Routines that facilitate the configuring of commonly executed experimental scenarios.

SutterPatch provides real-time analysis capability that automatically creates graphs like I-V curves or a time course plot while the experiment is in progress. Up to 8 analysis graphs can be shown, each derived from 16 possible measurements from the input signals. Analyses include mean, slope, rise time, frequency of threshold crossing, etc. This facilitates making decisions about the further course of an experiment.

In addition to real-time analysis, **SutterPatch** supports further processing after the experiment for the most sophisticated analysis procedures and adds application-specific capabilities on top of the expansive analysis feature set that is native to Igor Pro. Equations and Variables facilitate the use of more complex algorithms in both Routines and Paradigms.

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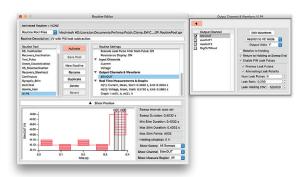


FEATURE HIGHLIGHTS

- Scope Window provides intuitive, efficient navigation through your data
 - Zoom control buttons and sliders
 - Drag along axis to zoom in
 - Mouse wheel zoom
 - Marquee zoom
 - Scroll bars
 - Continuous and snapshot autoscale
 - Sweep, time course and concatenated display
 - Novel 3D display
 - Unique Overview Navigator for panoramic examination of and convenient movement within a data section
 - Paradigm Review window gives quick access to individual Routine Data

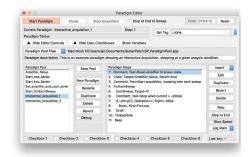


- Membrane Test keeps track of cell health and other quality control parameters
 - Waveform types include double pulses, sine and triangle trains and instantaneous RMS noise measurement
 - Simultaneous display of up to two amplifier or auxiliary input signals and a command waveform
 - Test pulse parameters fully configurable
 - Pulse averaging
 - Audio monitor
- Routines control data acquisition with or without application of command waveforms

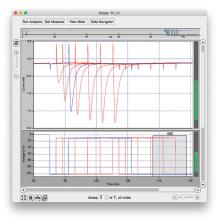


- Sample Routine Pool with pre-configured Paradigms for many common applications
- Hard-wired signals from Sutter Instrument hardware and auxiliary input signals are recorded
- The command signal as applied to the cell is monitored and recorded
- Analog and digital output signals control periphery and third-party information
- Up to 50 Segments per Sweep for utmost flexibility in shaping command waveforms
- Preconfigured Segment shapes, such as Sine, Square and Chirp, for easy waveform design
- Waveform Template enables "playback" of a recorded signal to a cell.
- Measurements provide the basis for real-time analysis and enable decision making in the course of the experiment

Paradigms enable process automation and eliminate operator bias



- Sample Paradigm Pool with pre-configured Paradigms for many common applications
- Configure the amplifier to reproducible standard settings
- Acquisition of Routine sequences enables pre-planned experimentation and minimizes operator bias.
- Flow control for interactive or automated decision making during the experiment
- Chaining Paradigms provides added flexibility
- Automatic creation of Layouts for standardized documentation
- The Solution Editor lets you keep track of solutions and compounds and supports direct control of a solution switcher.
 - Initial conditions and all solution changes are automatically written to the MetaData.
 - Analog or digital outputs control all common solution switchers.
- The Data Navigator displays the entire experiment in a tree structure
 - Preview of the first acquired signal
 - Quick access to Paradigm Review, Reanalysis Scope, Metadata and Routine information



- Real-time and off-line analysis
 - Measurements configured as part of Routines create real-time graphs
 - Virtual signals provide the user with information derived from physical input signals, mathematical equations, signal modification, or any combination thereof. High- and low-pass filters, lock-in amplifier capability and subtraction of a reference sweep are new in version 2.
 - Paradigms can access measurements for further real-time analysis
 - Equations and variables provide utmost flexibility
 - Event detection using a performant, deconvolution-based algorithm
 - Easily exports data to Microsoft Excel and other preadsheet programs for compatibility with existing analysis procedures
 - A wealth of native Igor Pro analysis features
- Support for multi-amplifier mode
 - A combination of any two IPA® or Double IPA® Amplifiers can be connected.
 - Up to 16 input channels are supported