BRIGHTHAWK NT100 and HV160

X-ray Tube and High Voltage Power Supply Unit

Microfocus 160 kV sealed X-ray source

Features and Benefits

- High brightness
- Wide angle exposure
- High magnification
- 100 nm feature recognition
- Zero maintenance
- Sealed transmission tube technology

General		
Target technology	Tungsten transmission target	
Electron source	LaB ₆	
Tube kVp range	30kV (min) to 160 kV (max)	
Tube current range	0 to 400 μA	
Maximum tube power	20 W (125 µA target current)	
kVp stability	+/-0.1 kV	
Target material	+/-0.2 μA	
Duty cycle	1	
Filter material	0.2 mm carbon	
Radiation glancing width	From point source	
Radiation irradiation time	From a few seconds up to 20 hours	
Radiation regulating method	Nordson HVPSU and associated control systems	
Tube Collimation	None	
Operating temperature range	10° C to 30° C	
Beam movement	Internal magnetic beam shift	
Beam characteristics		
Beam orientation	Uniform cone	
Cone beam angle	175°	
Min. feature recognition	0.1 μm in POWER mode	
JIMA chart resolution	See page 2	
Min. focus to object distance	0.5 mm	
Focal spot drift (maximal distance)	4 μm (after thermal stabilisation)	
Connections & cables		
Tube supply voltage	24 V _{dc} at 8 A	
HVPSU mains supply voltage	240 V_{ac} single phase	
HVPSU power	345 W (max)	
HVPSU to tube: control & data	Optical (digital)	
HVPSU to tube: HV power	Ø32 mm HV cable	
Safety interlock	Switched mains	
Mechanical		
Tube external dimensions	362 × 233 × 417 mm (see page 2)	
Tube weight	33 kg	
HVPSU external dimensions	230 × 448 × 538 mm (see page 2)	
HVPSU weight	50 kg	



The BRIGHTHAWK NT100 is a performance-leading microfocus X-ray tube comprising proprietary technology to achieve a high brightness output. The tube consists of a LaB₆ crystal source for generation of the electron beam, a magnetic beam steering system, and a tungsten target for X-ray photon emission. The components are mounted in a precision-engineering housing and held at ultra-low vacuum levels for long-life performance.

Following on from the successful 3rd generation tube, this 4th generation of tube across a wide energy range from 30 kV to 160 kV is highly configurable through a software interface to the internal control board, which is connected via an optical interface (through an Ethernet converter).

To complement the X-ray tube, the BRIGHTHAWK HV160 is a high voltage power supply unit which has been developed to maximise tube performance and lifetime by optimizing the current draw from the source according to the requested kV and W. It offers a unique level of stability to the tube, ensuring long runs at a consistent brightness level and low spot drift. The tube and power supply are connected using a High Voltage cable and digital control interface.

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JIMA Resolution. Operating voltage	Typical @min.power	Typical @max.power	Best achieved
40kV	0.7	0.7	0.6
70kV	0.7	0.7	0.7
100kV	0.7	0.7	0.7
130kV	0.6	0.6	0.6
160kV	0.6	0.6	0.5







160kV, 20W. Onyx detector. Unfiltered.

Output power and tube Efficiency

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40kV, 2.0W. Onyx detector. Unfiltered. POWER mode.

100kV, 6.0W. Onyx detector. Unfiltered.

Typical X-ray dose rate at FDD 450mm 75uA target current



BrightHawk NT100 dimensional specifications



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HV160 HVPSU dimensional specifications



1: M5x0.8 threaded bushes for mounting bracket (5 off) 10mm maximum penetration. All dimensions in mm.

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