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Why use Flow Chemistry?

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Why should I be interested in Flow Chemistry?



Improved reaction control & reproducibility



Efficient mixing & mass transfer for fast reactions & high yield



Enhanced safety plus reduction in waste & material usage



Small volumes possible, thus reducing cost & environmental impact



Scalability with minimal changes to reaction parameters





#### Faster!

- Get to failure faster the ability to scale mg to multiple grams without having to optimise for scale as would be the case in batch.
- Flow chemistry is generally more scalable than batch processing, as it is easier to increase the length of the reactor and adjust the flow rate of the reactants.
- Flow chemistry can facilitate higher reaction rates compared to batch processing, due to the improved mixing and mass transfer between the reactants.





#### Better, safer?

- Flow chemistry allows for precise control over reaction conditions, including temperature and pressure, good control of exothermic reactions; better controlled selectivity.
- 2 Safer synthesis of hazardous materials (and hazardous intermediates) by enabling continuous reactions under controlled conditions.
- Multi step continuous processing.
- The continuous nature of flow chemistry allows for better reproducibility of results compared to batch processing, which can be influenced by variations in reaction conditions and reagent handling.





#### Sustainability

- 2 Less waste compared to batch processing: the precise control of the reaction conditions allows for the use of smaller amounts of reagents.
- 2 A lower environmental footprint compared to batch processing: it enables the focussed use of energy into the fluid pathway; faster chemistry can be obtained in flow, again reducing energy.
- 2 Enables the use of more environmentally friendly reagents: for example, using ethanol at elevated temperatures way beyond it's boiling point.
- The exploration of flow photochemistry in water.





### It's expensive and hard to get into "Flow"

- Not at all! Simple tools are available.
- Modular systems with a range of capacities & chemical resistance available.
- Choose further accessories as you progress.
- 2 Embrace further instrumentation as you grow to add more sophistication over time.





#### Scale in light

- Photochemical reactions in batch are compromised as they are scaled due to the penetration depth of photons.
- 2 Small scale parallel screening in batch works well, but then to scale these Flow is an excellent choice due to short light pathways and the precise control of temperature.
- Watch this space: a new hybrid batch/Flow device is under development at Asynt.

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**Choice of materials** 

Works with any hotplate stirrer

Simple connections to chosen pump system

Easy to set up & use

**5 CSTR modules** for optimal mixing

**Inert conditions** 

**Sampling & additions** 

**Designed & engineered** in the UK



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

Dedicated website www.freactor.com with the latest advice & papers





#### **Get Started in Flow: HotCoil™**

**Choice of materials PTFE, FEP, SS, HC etc** 

Daisy chain multiple units

Simple connections to chosen pump system

Easy to set up & use



Easily upgraded, fully automatable

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Photochemistry – fReactor Photo Flow

Sits on any standard hotplate

**Use 1-5 light units** 

Micro switch safety

#### **Popular Wavelengths:**

- 460 nm (Blue) 10w LED COB chip
- 365 nm (UV) 10w LED COB chip
- \*A full range available to order



Works with the standard fReactor

Up to 8 reactions in parallel

Examples available @ www.freactor.com

Simple to set up and use

Low cost consumables





#### **Photochemistry – PhotoSyn**

**Curved LED arrays surround coil reactor** 

700W variable intensity power supply

Zero light leakage with safety interlock

Wavelengths: 365nm (UV-A), 420nm, 455nm, 525nm LED arrays Temperature controlled50ml PFA coil reactor

RS232, ethernet and USB programmable

Ideal for scale up photochemistry

Low cost consumables





#### Any questions?

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