Quantum Legacy Bioelectrical Impedance Analyzer (BIA)

An Affordable Multilingual Body Composition Assessment Tool

For more than 20 years RJL Systems has delivered the Quantum II and Quantum X as the least expensive BIA instrument to worldwide customers. Both BIA instruments had a single line display where resistance and reactance was selected by pressing tactile buttons. The Quantum II had a resolution of 1.0 ohms while the Quantum X had a resolution of 0.1 ohms. Phase angle had to be manually calculated and battery life was not indicated except when the battery was low. These two BIA products have now been replaced by the Quantum Legacy.



Body Composition

Included with the Quantum Legacy is BC (body composition) software. BC software is ideal for the healthcare professionals monitoring and recording changes in body composition. After testing with the Quantum Legacy the measurements are manually entered into the BC software which performs the body composition analysis. The results can provide suggestions for effective lifestyle changes to improve body composition by using food and fitness ideas included in the software. Body composition changes can be easily monitored over time with historical graphic and/or numeric reporting.

Specifications:

Battery Replaceable 9 Volt Alkaline
Alkaline Battery Life 2 Hours continuous use
Automatic shut-off inactive 2 minute shutdown
Weight 315 grams (11.1 Oz)

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 Width
 19 cm (7.5 inch)

 Height
 10 cm (3.9 inch)

 Depth
 33 cm (1.3 inch)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Resistance range} & 0.0 \ \mbox{to} \ 1000.0 \ \mbox{ohms} \ \pm \ 1.0 \ \% \\ \mbox{Reactance range} & 0.0 \ \mbox{to} \ 500.0 \ \mbox{ohms} \ \pm \ 1.0 \ \% \\ \mbox{Phase angle range} & 0.20 \ \mbox{to} \ 89.5 \ \mbox{degrees} \ \pm \ 1.0\% \\ \mbox{Operating frequency} & 50 \ \mbox{kHz crystal control} \\ \mbox{50 kHz current} & 250 \ \mbox{micro} \ \mbox{amps} \ \mbox{AC} \end{array}$

BIA measurement True tetra-polar (4 electrode)

Constant current range 0 to 8K Ohms

Detection impedance > 1 meg-ohm at 50 kHz Subject Isolation transformer coupled

Subject DC leakage zero

Subject Lead Set 182.9 cm (6 foot) 4 conductor

Standard accessories





Phase Angle

Phase angle has been documented in many scientific peer review papers using RJL Systems' analyzers for many years[1,2,3,4,5]. The Quantum Legacy maintains the same BIA specifications referenced in these papers from earlier studies to today. Therefore, the normal or average ranges documented in these papers can be used as a reference. In addition, phase angle does not depend on height or weight or any demographic information. It is basically a ratio of reactance and resistance only. Phase angle is greater in men than women, and decreases with increasing age[1].

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