

TOP 10 F.A.Q.'S



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DUPLEX PUMP FOR METERING & MIXING

Q. Where are duplex pumps used?

- A. Duplex pumps are used in next-generation clinical IVD instruments and microfluidic chipsets for multiple applications including:
 - · 9:1 ratio mixing
 - · Flow Cell purge/sweep
 - · Pipette priming and cleaning of fixed nozzles or probes
 - · A+B dispensing for microwells

Q. Can you give an example of where the Duplex Pump is used in IVD applications?

- A. Fluid Metering's Duplex Pump sends air slugs + cleaning solution repeatability through a flow cell. It increases the efficacy of purge, allowing for the sweeping of various beads (silica or magnetic) ranging in 2-10µm diameter to pass through. By doing so, the Duplex Pump can increase the throughput of instrumentation by purging 5-10x faster than switching valve systems or other legacy methods like syringe pumps.
- Q. How is the Duplex Pump impacted by shear?
 - A. The Duplex Pump dispenses with low shear, making it a safe choice for sensitive bead types or cells in dispensing and metering applications.
 - Q. Do both sides of the Duplex Pump dispense at the same time?
 - A. The Duplex Pump can either be set so that both sides of the pump dispense simultaneously (in-phase) or alternating (out-of-phase).
 - Q. Does each side of the Duplex Pump have different dispense volumes?
 - A. Yes, the Duplex Pump can be customized on each side of the pump independently to meet your desired flow rates.
 - Q. Can a non-Fluid Metering stepper controller be used?
 - A. Yes, as long as it's compatible with our unit. We always recommend to use our ICST02-2 stepper controller.
- Q. What is the maximum speed of the Duplex Pump?
 - A. The recommended max speed is 800 RPM. The stepper motor is rated for higher speeds but is not recommended to go above 800 RPM.
 - Q. Can the 2 pump heads be joined together to increase the flow rate?
 - A. Yes, you will need a Y adapter used in the outlet side.
- Q. Can the 2 pump heads run at different speeds?
 - A. No, since the Duplex operates via 1 single motor, both heads will run at the same speed.
- Q. Can the Duplex Pump be used to address 2 separate processes and requirements or can it be used to mix 2 separate chemicals, ratio mixing?
 - A. Yes. Contact us with all your project details and specifications, so our engineering experts can ensure your requirements are met.



Fluid Metering's facility is certified to the ISO 9001:2015 international standard. Product components are manufactured to meet EU RoHS and REACH compliance requirements.