

# Digital Optical Comparator (PATENTED & OTHER PATENTS PENDING)

### **Application Note**

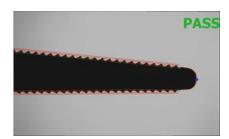
The Fastest, Easiest, Most Accurate Way to Compare a Part to a CAD File™

#### THE PERFECT SOLUTION FOR CHECKING MEDICAL RASPS!

There are many reasons why the VisionGauge® Digital Optical Comparator is widely used by orthopedic implant manufacturers to check rasps:

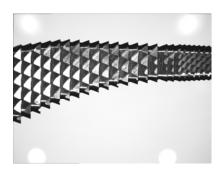
- Automatically compare parts to their CAD data (no more overlays!)
- With its patented CAD-Auto-Align™ and CAD-Auto-Pass/Fail™ tools, the system can check parts completely automatically!
- VisionGauge®'s patent-pending Tooth Checker™ tool automatically identifies the part's teeth and allows
  you to check all roots & crests against their tolerances
- Check the entire profile at once or each tooth individually, directly on the shop floor!
- Eliminate operator subjectivity!
- Much faster than traditional approaches.
- Because the system doesn't require any programming, it is especially well adapted for small lots & quick part changeover
- Automatically collect measurements, statistics, images and other data for complete documentation
- The system is not limited to the camera's field-of-view; It can compare a part to its CAD data across the entire stage travel. So even large parts can be checked at high magnification, with very fine resolution.
- With its extended optical depth-of-field and Auto-Focus tool, the system is perfectly suited to deal with the challenges of orthopedic implant inspection.
- Different types of adapted computer-controlled LED illumination are available to eliminate glare and make defects stand out. The system works extremely well on both metal & plastic parts!
- Automatically measure and display deviations from nominal and quickly identify out-of-tolerance areas.

The VisionGauge® Digital Optical Comparator is the new standard for inspecting rasps, orthopedic tools & implants in the medical industry.

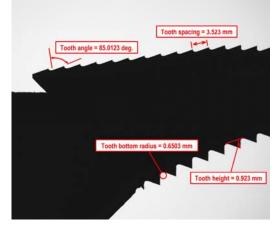




The system is very flexible and supports different inspection approaches depending on what you want to check...



The system's front illumination produces a very sharp image showing a very high level of detail



Measure tooth height, tooth spacing, tooth angle, tooth bottom radius, etc...

- Fast!
- Accurate!
- · Easy to operate!

## VisionGauge® Digital Optical Comparator 500 Series - Principal Specifications

Available configurations	Both horizontal and vertical	
Standard optical magnifications (equivalent to traditional comparators)	5X, 10X, 20X, 50X and 100X <sup>1</sup>	
Image viewing area (diagonal)	38"	
Motorized X, Y & Z axes	Yes	
X, Y & Z stage movement	High-accuracy crossed-roller movement	
Auto-Focus	Yes	
X & Y axis encoder resolution	0.25 micron <sup>2</sup>	
LASER module (for Z-axis measurement)	Optional	
High-accuracy rotary axes	Optional	
Extended stage travels	Optional (along all 3 axes)	
External 3-axis, 3-speed joystick to control the stage	Yes	
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Illumination	<ul> <li>LED-based (for very stable illumination conditions, with a very long life)</li> <li>Programmable and computer-controlled (for repeatable illumination conditions)</li> <li>Both reflected (i.e. front) and transmitted (i.e. back) illumination modules are available</li> </ul>	
Lens	Very low distortion telecentric, with long working distance and extended depth-of-field	
Real-time mathematical image processing, enhancement and correction	Yes	
Multi-monitor display	Yes <sup>3</sup>	
Overall monitor size	35" (wide) x 27" (high)	
Patented CAD Auto Pass / Fail™ (to automatically determine, to very high accuracy, if the part matches the CAD data, with no operator-to-operator variation)	Yes, with user-selectable bi-directional tolerances	
Patented CAD Auto-Align <sup>™</sup> (for fast, operator-independent alignment of the CAD to the part along one or multiple datums or through an overall "best-fit")	Yes: automatically align the CAD data to the part (either XY or XY & Rotation alignment) along an arbitrary number of user-specified datums.	
Extended set of high-accuracy measurement tools	Yes	
Sub-pixel accurate edge detection	Yes	
Quickly carry out on-screen measurements using either the mouse or joystick	Yes	
Joysticks	3-axis, 3-speed industrial grade	
Image annotation tools	Yes	
Quickly and easily save images of parts, either with or without the CAD overlay, and either with or without measurements as well as time & date information	Yes	
Built-in SPC capabilities, with automatic numerical charts & PASS / FAIL graphs	Yes	
Automatic data export to Excel™	Yes	
Automatic data export to other applications	Yes (through Windows™ DDE or other mechanisms)	
Built-in Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) support	Yes	
Easy file data import & export	Yes	
Supervisor-level / operator-level password protection	Yes	
Operating System	Windows <sup>™</sup> 10 <sup>4</sup>	
Built-in "F1 Help"	Yes	
Fan & filter unit on main cabinet	Yes (to create a positive pressure and keep dust out)	
Power requirements	Either 110V or 220V, 15 Amp (single cord)	
CE Markings	Available upon request	
Operating temperature	10 °C - 35 °C	
Clear and easy-to-use documentation (both printed and electronic "pdf" format)	Yes	
Support (by phone, fax & email)	Included for a full year	
Warranty	1 year (complete)	

Available in both single magnification and multi-mag configurations. Other optical magnifications available on request.

<sup>2</sup> Other encoder resolutions available on request.

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Basic system configuration includes a quad-high-resolution-monitor display that allows real-time viewing of the live video image in full 1:1 resolution.

Other operating systems available on request.