



NANOPARTICLE SOURCE PVD SYSTEM

Nanoparticle System

Specialist nanoparticle source integration for functional films, coatings and hybrid materials research.

NPS

NANOPARTICLE SOURCE

Hybrid

FUNCTIONAL FILMS

Modular

MINILAB PLATFORM

$<5 \times 10^{-7}$

BASE PRESSURE (MBAR)

Nanoparticle source integration for hybrid materials

Built on the MiniLab 125 platform, the Nanoparticle System enables controlled synthesis and integration of nanoscale materials directly within a vacuum environment. By combining nanoparticle generation with thin-film deposition in one platform, researchers can fabricate hybrid materials and functional coatings with control over particle size, composition and distribution — relevant to catalysis, sensing, energy storage and antimicrobial surfaces.

- Specialist source integration for nanoparticle deposition
- Combine nanoparticle generation with thin-film deposition
- Application-led configuration around chamber geometry
- Controlled particle size, composition and distribution
- Useful for functional coatings and hybrid materials
- Modular MiniLab pathway for process development

Why choose the Nanoparticle System

- ✓ **Specialist capability**
Adds nanoparticle source integration that standard sputtering or evaporation alone cannot provide.
- ✓ **Hybrid material fabrication**
Combine particle generation and thin-film deposition for tailored functional films.
- ✓ **Application-led configuration**
Built around chamber geometry and source needs for catalysis, sensing and energy work.
- ✓ **Integration flexibility**
Add load-lock, transfer and automation capability when the application requires it.

Key features

- 🔧 **Nanoparticle source**
Specialist source integration for controlled nanoparticle deposition.
- 🔧 **Hybrid film capability**
Combine nanoparticle generation with conventional thin-film methods.
- 🔧 **Modular research platform**
Built on MiniLab 125; configure sources, stages and monitoring.
- 🔧 **Controlled particle properties**
Control over size, composition and distribution for functional surfaces.
- 🔧 **High-vacuum environment**
Turbomolecular pumping for clean, controlled deposition conditions.
- 🔧 **Recipe-led control**
PC / touchscreen control with QCM monitoring options.

Typical configurations

Start with a proven configuration, then tailor sources, gases, substrate handling and integration around your materials and workflow.

Functional nanoparticle films

Coatings where nanoparticle structure drives performance.

- Specialist source integration
- Functional materials research
- Hybrid film development

Nanostructured coatings

Exploratory coatings and surface engineering.

- Material-specific configuration
- Process development support
- Research workflow fit

Hybrid materials

Particles combined with conventional thin films.

- Modular integration
- Application-led specification
- Future process flexibility

Technical specifications

Parameter	Specification
System type	Nanoparticle source integration for PVD
Best fit	Functional, nanostructured & hybrid films
Platform	Specialist MiniLab 125 configuration
Base pressure	$<5 \times 10^{-7}$ mbar

Parameter	Specification
Deposition methods	Nanoparticle source + sputtering / evaporation
Substrate handling	Heating, rotation by configuration
Control	Recipe-led; QCM monitoring
Warranty	2 years

MiniLab platforms are configurable; exact specifications depend on the final build and are confirmed at quotation.

Selected publications citing the MiniLab range

- Nanoparticle vacuum deposition sources — Published study
- Insights into the self-inhibiting photoreduction of Cu_2O in bicarbonate electrolytes — University of Antwerp
- HexAuFoil: cryo-EM with sub-1 Å specimen movement — MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology
- Thin-film Bragg reflector for monolithic GaAs devices — Published study
- Direct single-molecule detection with a low-cost smartphone microscope — University of Fribourg
- Cadmium- and zinc-doped p-type Sb_2Se_3 single crystals and solar cells — University of Liverpool