

Ultra-Accelerated EMMA[®]



THE BENEFITS OF ULTRA-ACCELERATED TESTING

What is the Ultra-Accelerated EMMA®?

The Ultra-Accelerated EMMA (UA-EMMA) is Atlas' latest advancement in natural exposure testing. This new outdoor testing device delivers approximately 10-12 years of equivalent radiation exposure as would be received in a standard outdoor testing rack in South Florida in a single year.

The system achieves this accelerated exposure through a patented "cool mirror" technology that has very high reflectance in the UV and near visible wavelength ranges while attenuating reflectance in the longer wavelength visible and IR portions of the solar spectrum.

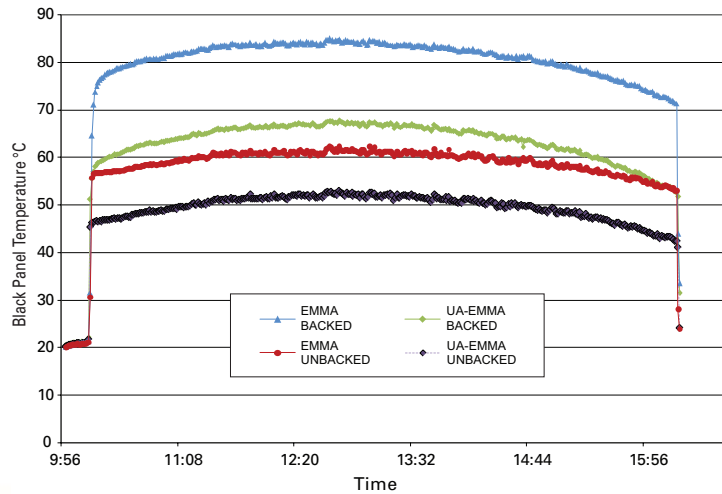


What are the Advantages?

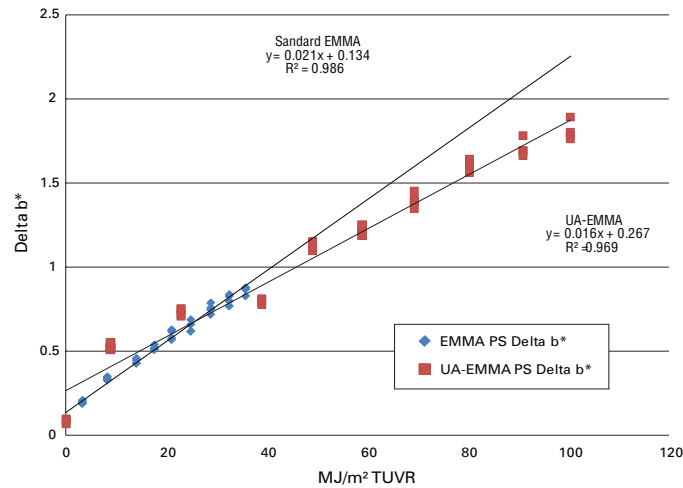
The new UA-EMMA system allows for greatly accelerated testing while fulfilling three critical testing requirements:

- Exposes many different types of materials to ultra-high UV irradiance
- Maintains high fidelity to the natural solar UV spectrum
- Keeps specimens at acceptable exposure temperatures

Black Panel Temperature Performance
UA-EMMA vs. Standard EMMA Data



Comparison of Polystyrene (PS) Reference Material in Standard EMMA and UA-EMMA by UV Radiant Exposure



Ideal Materials for UA-EMMA® Testing

- Materials that require a long service life
- Transparent and glazed materials
- Temperature sensitive materials such as PVC
- Coatings applied to metal panels
- Materials that perform well in EMMA or EMMAQUA exposure testing

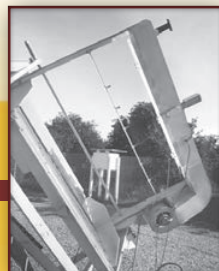
Applications

- Adhesives
- Agricultural Films
- Automotive Exteriors
- Building Materials
- Elastomers
- Glass (Architectural & Automotive)
- Packaging
- Paints & Coatings
- Plastics
- Roofing
- Sealants

EMMAQUA® Weathering Standards

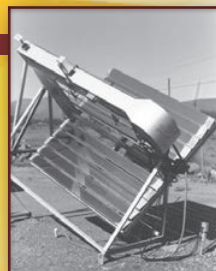
The table below lists selected standards for EMMAQUA exposure. For details, refer to the individual standards. Test methods which are proprietary to individual companies and which also specify Fresnel-based exposure methods are not listed here.

EMMAQUA STANDARD	SCOPE	COUNTRY
ISO 877-3	Plastics	International
ASTM D3841	Glass-fiber reinforced polyester	USA
ASTM D4141	Coatings	USA
ASTM D4364	Plastics	USA
ASTM D5722	Coated hardboard	USA
ASTM E1596	PV modules	USA
ASTM G90	Non-metallic materials	USA
SAE J576	Optical automotive plastics	USA
SAE J1961	Automotive exterior	USA
SAE-AMS-T-22085	Preservation sealing tape	USA
JIS Z2381	General	Japan



1958

Atlas' DSET Laboratories relocates from Phoenix to New River, Arizona. The EMMAQUA device is redesigned with a steel framework and more efficient spray delivery system.



1969

The first EMMAQUA® device, constructed with a wooden frame and sheet metal skin, is patented, manufactured and placed into service.



1986

EMMAQUA+, the next generation of accelerated weathering devices, is introduced. Advancements include individual cycle programming, black panel temperature control, and altazimuth solar tracking for more efficient delivery of full-spectrum solar energy.



1999

The MQ3K is launched, utilizing state-of-the-art technology in computer-controlled cycle programming, more accurate altazimuth solar tracking, one-touch start/stop, error sensing feedback and the most-specular mirrors available.



2004

Atlas introduces four patented suites of Temperature-Controlled EMMAQUA. (Static, Night, Dynamic Temperature and Variable Irradiance Control). This breakthrough allows for the testing of materials that are sensitive to thermal buildup.

Atlas introduces the UA-EMMA, the latest advancement in outdoor accelerated testing. This device couples the EMMA platform with a new patented mirror system, optimizing real-world correlation.



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