Kistler MARS

Measurement, Analysis and Reporting Software

Kistler MARS is an innovative, comprehensive and user-friendly software for the complete analysis of force plate measurements. It supports routine diagnostics and research work in biomechanics, performance analysis, motor control behavior, rehabilitation medicine and other related fields.

- Very high data accuracy due to 25 different analysis modules with advanced automatic event detection and parameter calculation
- Motion execution control to reduce the risk of injury using force vectors integrated into the video image (supported by MARS 5 full version only)
- Quick measurement start and data collection due to integrated software guides and tips for test executions
- Uni- and bilateral analysis
- Comparison mode to compare athletes or different trials
- Efficient preparation of reports
- Numerous export functions
- Integrated software guide for setup and measurements

Description

Kistler MARS is a routine diagnostics and research software for Kistler force plates. The 'Measurement, Analysis and Reporting Software' (MARS) supports Kistler data acquisition systems Type 5691A..., Type 5695B... and the systems KilJump Type 9229... and Quattro Jump Type 9290... . It analyzes the acquired force plate signals, calculates a large range of significant parameters, and provides graphical presentations of the measurements.

The software is based on a management unit that provides operational functions (add, edit, delete, assign, search, filter) to structure the data (projects, visits and subjects). The data is stored and managed in a database where it is accessible for comparison, dashboard view and reporting which also supports a team member ranking in charts and tables. In addition the data can be exported in different formats (raw signal, signal graph and parameter values).

In each of the 25 different measurement modules the data is analyzed for relevant output parameters. The input parameters and acquisition setup can be edited for each test separately.

The individual software functions are arranged intuitively and easy-to-use. All functions are well supported with extensive help information including how-to examples and with online video trainings on the MARS website.

Application

Kistler MARS can be used for the evaluation of human movement such as static balance (Body Sway), dynamic balance (Tracking Shapes, Limits of Stability, etc.) locomotion and body transfer (Step Analysis, Forward Lunge, etc.), fast alternating movements (Tapping, Stamping, etc.) and strength and power (all vertical jumps, etc.).

The software calculates the standard parameters and many more evidence-based parameters to provide the details immediately. Detailed conclusions about muscular imbalances are possible when using two force plates.

Kistler MARS includes 25 modules to evaluate physical performance in the fields of strength, power, anaerobic endurance, coordination and balance (see table page 2).
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<td>Squat Jump</td>
<td>Vertical jump test of concentric power for the lower extremities.</td>
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<td>Counter Movement Jump</td>
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<td>Drop Jump</td>
<td>Vertical drop jump test of eccentric-concentric power for lower legs. Testing is performed using progressively higher drop heights.</td>
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<td>Maximum voluntary contraction (MVC) test of maximal strength and rate of force development (RFD).</td>
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<td>Sustained isometric contraction test of endurance of the neuromuscular system.</td>
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<td>Tracking</td>
<td>Dynamic force control test by adapting the force level to specific requirements.</td>
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<td>Tapping</td>
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<td>Forward Lunge</td>
<td>Test for strength, good range of motion, balance and coordination.</td>
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<td>Sit-To-Stand</td>
<td>Clinical test where the subject needs to rise from a seated to a standing position.</td>
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<td>Turn</td>
<td>Clinical test, where the subject has to make two forward steps and then quickly turn for 180°.</td>
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<td>Step Analysis</td>
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**Application Examples and Screenshots**

![Main window with management tools on the left side and module selection on the right](image1)

**Fig. 1:** Main window with management tools on the left side and module selection on the right

![The Balance Version provides all modules related to locomotion, movement control and balance](image2)

**Fig. 2:** The Balance Version provides all modules related to locomotion, movement control and balance
Fig. 3: Analysis view of a Counter Movement Jump with video, force-time curve, graphic display of left/right parameters and force vector overlay.

Fig. 4: Dashboard view. Templates can be individually defined.
### MARS accessories for multicomponent force plates

**Included accessories**
- License on USB key

**Optional accessories**
- Kistler force plates Type/Art. No.
  - 9260...
  - 9286...
  - 9281...
  - 9287...
  - 9290...
  - 9229...
- Kistler DAQ systems
  - Type/Art. No.
    - 5691A...
    - 56958...
- 1-2 cameras (incl. cables)
  - Type/Art. No.
    - 55174650*
    - 55163669*
- Tripod
  - Type/Art. No.
    - 55163669*

### MARS accessories for KJump Type 9229... & Quattro Jump Type 9290...

**Included accessories**
- License on USB key

**Optional accessories**
- Kistler force plates Type/Art. No.
  - 9290...
  - 9229...
- 1-2 cameras (incl. cables)
  - Type/Art. No.
    - 55174650*
    - 55163669*
- Tripod
  - Type/Art. No.
    - 55163669*

* only compatible from MARS 4.0 with camera feature and DAQ 56958Q2

### PC requirements for camera feature*
- OS: Windows 10 (for desktop)
- CPU: Intel core i7 with at least 2 GHz
- Memory: 16 GB RAM
- Hard drive: SSD with at least 10 GB free space
- Screen resolution: 1920 x 1080 pixels
- 2 USB ports
- Gigabit ethernet port with jumbo packets support

* only when used MARS with cameras

### Ordering key

**Kistler MARS**
- Type 2875A
  - Full Version
    - Measurement, Analysis and Reporting Software
  - Power & Strength Version
    - Measurement, Analysis and Reporting Software
    - Power modules only
  - Balance & Stability Version
    - Measurement, Analysis and Reporting Software
    - Balance modules only

**Upgrade 2875A1**
- Type No.
  - 2875A11  2875AA
  - 2875A31   2875AA

**Upgrade 2875A4**
- Type No.
  - 2875A41   2875AA

**Upgrade 2875A5**
- Type No.
  - 2875A41  2875AA

**Ordering key video feature upgrade**
- Type No.
  - 2875A
    - Upgrade 2875A1 → 2875A11
    - Upgrade 2875A3 → 2875A31
    - Upgrade 2875A4 → 2875A41
    - Upgrade 2875A5 → 2875A41

**Ordering MARS version upgrade**
- Type No.
  - 2 x 44002132
    - MARS 3.0 Full/Part → MARS 5.0 Full/Part Version

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