

# **Universal Battery Holder**

## **Operator's Manual**



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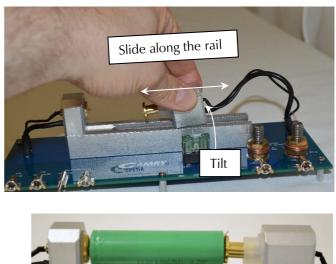
The Universal Battery Holder allows the researcher to connect a large variety of batteries, from coin-sized to larger cylindrical shapes, to Gamry Instruments' potentiostats. High currents, up to 30 A, may be passed through the battery holder, without danger of destroying the holder. The Universal Battery Holder allows four-point measurements, and is usable with all Gamry Instruments potentiostats, including the 30k Booster.

Warning: Improper operation creates a safety hazard which can lead to fire, explosion, and emission of hazardous chemicals, potentially causing severe damage, personal injury, or death. Gamry Instruments, Inc. is not responsible for battery failures caused by misuse of the equipment or defects in battery construction.

#### Placing the Battery in the Holder

The Universal Battery Holder has a millimeter gauge for coarse adjustment of the battery contacts. Insert the battery. Tilt the moveable contact and slide it along the rail to the approximate length of the battery. The moveable contact is spring-loaded to ensure a firm contact with the battery. Common battery types that are compatible with the Universal Battery Holder are given in the table below. Many more batteries are compatible as well.

Battery Type	Length (mm)
CR2016	1.6
CR1220	2.0
CR2025	2.5
CR2325	2.5
CR2430	3.0
CR2032	3.2
CR2450	5.0
16340/CR123A	34
14500 Lithium AA	53
18650	65
26650	65
20700	70
21700	70





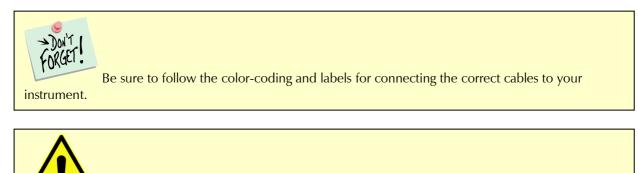
#### Four-Point Contacts

Each battery contact has two independent, insulated contact points: a patterned circular plate (current-carrying contact), and a projecting pin (the sense connector). These four contacts are used for four-point measurements.

The central pin is independent of and isolated from the surrounding contact.



#### **Connecting the Universal Battery Holder to Instruments**



**Warning:** Never short the WE (Working Electrode) and CE (Counter Electrode) connectors! Doing so can cause sparks, injury, and fire hazards.

#### **General Gamry Instruments Potentiostats**

Standard 4-mm banana-plug receptacles are mounted on the front edge of the holder to connect to your Potentiostat. A dual receptacle or pin connection is available for the reference electrode. Be sure to remove the plastic guard from the pin on the reference connection before use. For the Reference<sup>™</sup> 600+ Potentiostat, we supply 4-mm-to-2-mm adapters.

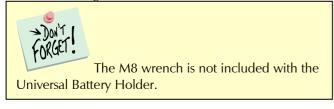


Warning: The reference banana plug is sharp and can cause injury. Be careful when connecting this pin to your cables. When it is not in use, always keep the plastic guard over the pin as a safety precaution.

#### **30k Booster**

The Universal Battery Holder is compatible with Gamry Instruments' 30k Booster™ for high-current work.

Connect the Booster to the Holder via the threaded connections to the Working Electrode (WE) and Counter Electrode (CE). Place the Booster's connectors between the copper washers, and lock the connectors in place with the nuts. Use the M8 wrench (spanner) supplied with your 30k Booster to loosen and tighten the nuts.





#### Heat-generation During Use

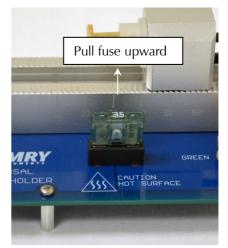
The battery, the area around the fuse, the fuse itself, and the battery holder can warm up, depending on the applied current.

#### Fuse

A 35 A fast-acting ATC blade fuse for automotive and low-voltage control circuits is mounted in the circuit with the Universal Battery Holder. Gamry Instruments' potentiostats and accessories are normally well-protected, and the fuse does limit the current flow in case the battery gets shorted. However, the fuse or other protection mechanisms cannot prevent batteries from catching fire or exploding. Smaller batteries such as coin cells have only a low current rating, and can easily burst. The fuse does not help prevent damage in this case.

If the fuse blows, remove the fuse by gently pulling upward out of the socket.

A spare fuse is included with the Universal Battery Holder. The fuse is a typical automobile type, and can be found in many shops that sell car parts.



## Specifications

Maximum battery diameter:	28 mm
Maximum battery length:	84 mm
Minimum battery length:	1 mm
Width $\times$ Length $\times$ Height:	231 mm × 95 mm × 60 mm (9.10"× 3.75" × 2.36")
Weight:	450 g (1 lb.)
Maximum current rating:	30 A
Maximum operational temperature:	80°C (176°F)
Relative Humidity:	90% (non-condensing)
Storage and Shipping Temperature:	–40 to 75°C
Maximum Shipping acceleration:	30 G
Fuse	35 A Eaton BK/ATC-35, 32 V maximum

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