

**Light and colour****Dispersion of light into colours**

Ultraviolet radiation in the continuous spectrum -  
Setup with an ultraviolet phosphorescent screen

**Object of the experiment**

1. Detection of ultraviolet radiation in the continuous spectrum of an incandescent lamp

**Setup**

- Align the filament of the incandescent lamp vertically by turning the lamp insert, and pull the lamp insert out by approx. 3 cm.
- Position the condenser lens ( $f = + 50$  mm) behind the lamp at a distance of approx. 2cm.
- Adjust a slit width of approx. 1.75 mm.
- Stick a sheet of white paper to the translucent screen by means of adhesive tape.
- To adjust the experiment setup, keep the prism out of the ray path, and place the translucent screen on the back third of the optical bench.
- Displace the imaging lens ( $f = + 100$  mm) until a sharp image of the slit appears on the translucent screen. Then remove the translucent screen from the optical bench, and set it up at a distance of approx. 30 cm and at an angle of approx.  $60^\circ$  with respect to the optical bench.
- Darken the room completely.

Remark:

The result from D 5.6.1.5 (detection of ultraviolet radiation by means of an ultraviolet phosphorescent screen) should be known to the students before the experiment is carried out.

**Apparatus**

1 Optical bench, S1 profile, 1 m .....	460 310
5 Clamp riders with fixed column .....	460 313
2 Clamp riders with clamp .....	460 311
1 Lamp housing with cable .....	450 60
1 Bulbs, 6 V/30 W, E14, set of 2 .....	450 511
1 Plate holder on rod .....	459 30
1 Lens on rod, $f = + 50$ mm .....	459 60
1 Lens on rod, $f = + 100$ mm .....	459 62
1 Adjustable slit on rod .....	471 71
1 Prism, flint glass .....	465 32
1 Candle holders, set of 2 .....	459 31ET2
1 Extension pins, set of 2 .....	686 60ET2
1 Screen, translucent .....	441 53
1 Card with emission colours .....	469 82
1 Transformer 6/12 V .....	521 210

**Carrying out the experiment**

- Set up the flint glass prism in the ray path, and turn the candle holder on the clamp rider until a wide spectrum of high light intensity appears on the translucent screen.
- If necessary, correct the sharpness of the spectrum by displacing the imaging lens.
- Set up the ultraviolet phosphorescent screen in front of the spectrum, and observe the luminous effect.

**Observation**

In the invisible spectral region the coated side of the ultraviolet phosphorescent screen glows green.  
No visible radiation is emitted by the uncoated side of the screen in this region.

**Evaluation**

In the continuous spectrum of an incandescent lamp, there is a transition from the short-wavelength visible violet spectral region to the invisible ultraviolet region.