

iNova

CS-L Cooling system for PlxCam Series

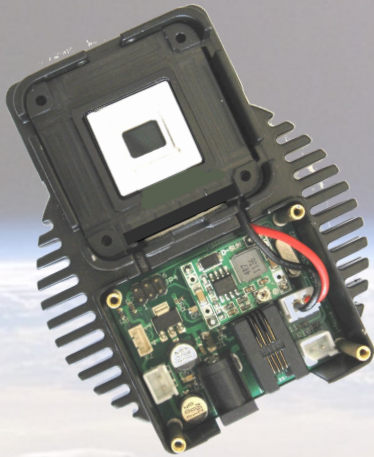
Description

- This CS-L cooling system allows to **upgrade iNova cameras – PLxCam Series** and make them **perfect for long exposure**. With a Peltier module and control electronics, the **camera sensor temperature is lowered by 30°C (54°F)** when operating under ambient temperature conditions.
- **Reducing dramatically thermal noise**, this cooling system **allows long exposure during several minutes** to take pictures of deep sky objects.
- The **visual enhancement mode** takes also advantage of this cooling system, with an **increased S/N ratio** of the camera (which improves the quality of pictures).
- This CS-L cooling system is assembled entirely inhouse.
- Components of the cooling system are:
 - * Peltier module TEC (maximum power: 5.7W),
 - * Aluminium case that also serves as heat sink for TEC,
 - * Electronic card with a microcontroller to manage the Peltier module,
 - * Fan to improve heat dissipation.
- Requires an external power supply 12V DC – 2A (minimum).



Cooling system mount on a PLB-Cx camera

Front side of the new system



Cooling system kit

Technical features

Current consumption	Below 1A under 12V DC
Cooling	Temperature lowered by 30°C (54°F) at ambient temperature
Fan noise	Below 16 dB
Communication port	TTL serial communication port for temperature regulation (RJ9 4P4C connector)
Power supply	Male jack plug 5.5/2.1mm
Dimensions	95 x 75 x 55mm
Weight	170g (6 oz)

Options

- **Power supply 12V DC - 2A** (Cable length: 2m) with a female jack plug 5.5/2.1mm.
- For color camera (PLA-C2, PLB-C2, PLB-Cx), clear window can be replaced by an **IR cut filter**.
- **We can upgrade your system** (please contact us).
- *Upgrade to CS-E model (2-stage Peltier module with temperature regulation) – Available in September 2014*

Thermal noise comparison for a PLB-Mx camera with/without cooling system

PLB-Mx without cooling system
Exposure time: 30s
Ambient temp.: 25°C

Statistiques #3 Capture_dark_30_plb-mx_37_1_g_030...	
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Taille	1280 x 960
Pixels	1228800
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Max	4095 @ 494,2
Background	83
Moyenne	211.97526
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Écart-type	361.51855

PLB-Mx with cooling system
Exposure time: 30s
Ambiente temp.:25°C

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