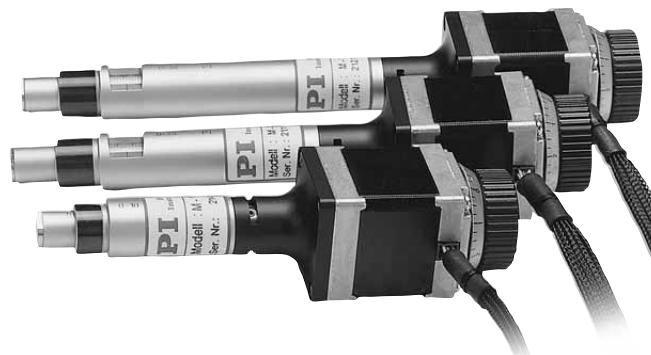


M-168 Stepper-Mike Precision Linear Actuator

Non-Rotating Tip, Strokes to 50 mm



M-168 Stepper-Mikes providing
10, 25 and 50 mm travel range (from front to back)

- **10, 25 and 50 mm Travel Range**
- **Resolution <0.1 µm**
- **2-Phase Stepper Motor**
- **Manual Positioning Knob**
- **Sub-nm-Resolution with Optional PZT Actuator**
- **>5,000 h MTBF**

M-168 are compact, high-resolution linear actuators providing linear motion up to 50 mm with sub-micron resolution. They consist of a micrometer drive with non-rotating tip driven by a 6400 microstep/rev and 2-phase stepper motor.

Non-Rotating Tip

Compared to conventional rotating-tip micrometer drives, the non-rotating-tip design offers several advantages:

- Elimination of torque-induced positioning errors
- Elimination of sinusoidal motion errors
- Elimination of wear at the contact point
- Elimination of tip-angle-dependent wobble

M-168 Stepper-Mikes feature an extremely low-stiction, low-friction construction allowing for high resolution and repeatability. A manual positioning knob provides coarse resolution of 5 µm. All models come with standard flat tips (see

p. 1-58 for spherical tips and other options).

High-Resolution Piezo Option

The optional piezo tip provides 20 µm travel with sub-nanometer resolution for dynamic scanning and tracking (see p. 1-73).

Technical Data

Model	M-168.12S	M-168.22S	M-168.52S	Unit
Travel range	10	25	50	mm
Design resolution	0.078	0.078	0.078	µm
Min. incremental motion	0.3	0.3	0.3	µm
Unidirectional repeatability	0.1	0.1	0.1	µm
Backlash	2	2	2	µm
Max. velocity	5	5	5	mm/s
Max. push/pull force	50	50	50	N
Max. lateral force	0.02	0.02	0.02	N (at tip)
Motor resolution*	6400*	6400*	6400*	steps/rev.
Drive screw pitch	0.5	0.5	0.5	mm/rev.
Weight	0.4	0.45	0.5	kg
Recommended motor controllers	C-663 single-axis	C-663 single-axis	C-663 single-axis (p. 4-112)	

*2-phase stepper motor, 24 V chopper voltage, max. 0.8 A/phase, 400 full steps/rev., motor resolution with C-663 stepper motor controller

Ordering Information

M-168.12S
High-Resolution Stepper-Mike
Linear Actuator, 10 mm

M-168.22S
High-Resolution Stepper-Mike
Linear Actuator, 25 mm

M-168.52S
High-Resolution Stepper-Mike
Linear Actuator, 50 mm

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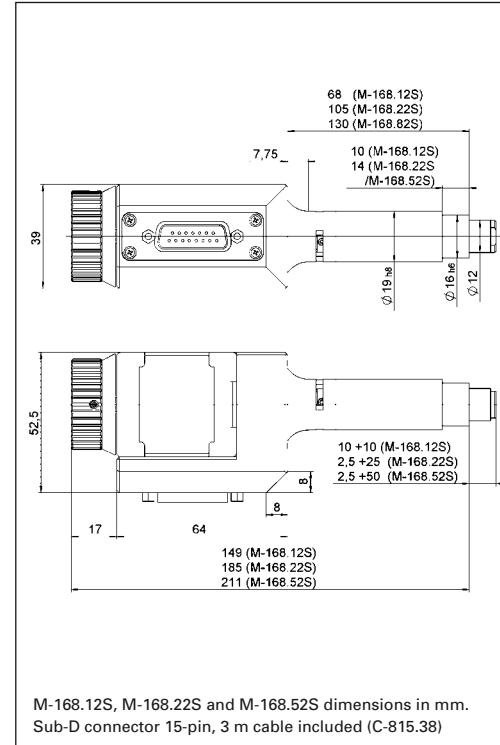
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M-168.12S, M-168.22S and M-168.52S dimensions in mm.
Sub-D connector 15-pin, 3 m cable included (C-815.38)