PTi QuantMaster 40 Fluorescence Anisotropy Standard Operating Procedure

-Install the appropriate filters. (Please see Tony Adamo) -Load a standard Polarizing Method

-Click on Setup and choose one of the following modes of operation: -Time-based -Emission

-Select the 'Polarizers' tab and check off 'Use Polarizers' -follow the instructions below

Normal polarizer operation

G Factor Click the G-Factor radio button. Acquire background values if desired.

If a <u>Timebased scan</u> is used, an average value of the G-Factor will be calculated and saved as a G-Factor Global Value. If an <u>emission scan</u> is to be done, the G-Factor will vary with wavelength. In this case, a derived trace on the Traces tab should be created with **Name** = G-Factor, **Source 1** = HV trace, **Function** = Gfactor, **Source 2** = HH trace. After the scan is done, right-click on the G-Factor trace, **Create Lookup Table**, **Name** = Gfactor, **Type =** Gfactor, **OK**.

Polarization/Anisotropy

Click the Polarization/Anisotropy radio button. Acquire background values if desired. Choose the G-Factor to use by the radio buttons.

Either Use:

1) Use Last Acquired Global Value: This refers to the most recent G-Factor Global Value (a scalar value) acquired by a timebased scan.

- 2) Use Value: Enter a value into the text box.
- 3) Use Lookup Table: Use a Lookup Table that is saved as G-Factor values vs. emission wavelength.
 Choose: Opens a list of saved G-Factor Lookup Tables. Choose one from the list.
 Configure: Opens a Lookup Table editor where you can modify individual X and Y values of the Lookup Table.
 On the Traces tab, create a derived trace with Name = Polarization or Anisotropy, Source 1 = VV trace,

Function = Polarization or Anisotropy, Source 2 = VH trace.