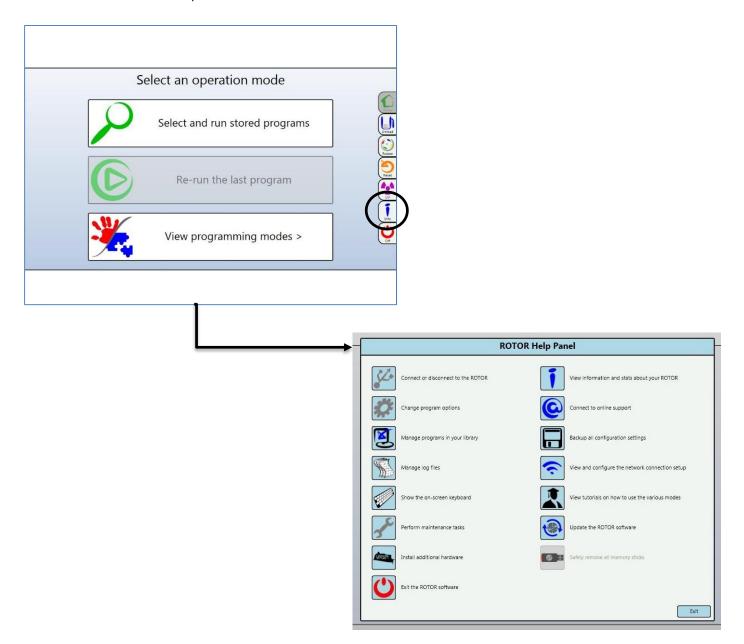


INTRODUCTION

This document explains the functions available using the Help Panel which can be found under the "i" (Info) button on the right hand side of the screen.

ACCESS HELP PANEL

To access the ROTOR Help Panel select the 'i' button at the side of the screen (circled)





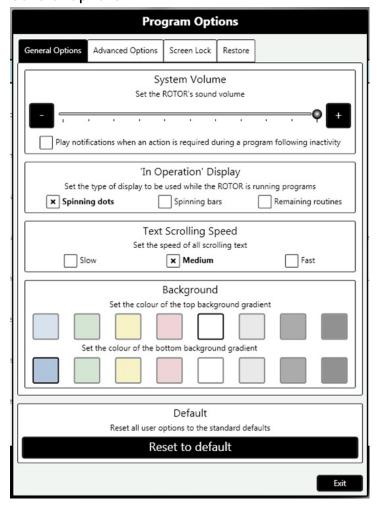


Use this button to disconnect/reconnect the software to the ROTOR



Inside this button are 4 tabs

General Options



Tabs: General Options, Advanced Options, Screen Lock, Restore

System Volume: Adjust the ROTOR computer's sound level

Display: Control what you see when the ROTOR is in operation

Text Scrolling Speed: Control the speed of the scrolling text.

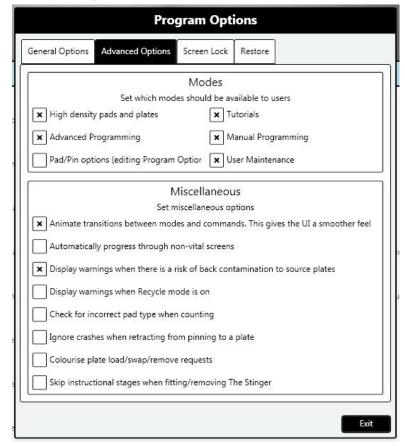
 $\label{eq:Screen} \textbf{Screen Colours}: \textbf{Personalise the colours shown} \\ \textbf{on your screen}$

Default: Reset any changes to the factory standard

Exit: Exit the page



Advanced Options



Tabs: See above

Modes: Restrict which modes users have available to them. See below for full description.

Miscellaneous: Restrict options available to users.. See below for full description.

Exit: Exit page

Modes: Descriptions below assume the box has an 'x'. ie. selected

- High Density pads and plates: restricts users to only being able to use pads up to and including a
 density of 1536 short pin.
- Advanced Programming: Hides the Advanced programming function
- Pad/ Pin options (editing program options): Allows user to access the Pad options where they are able to adjust the pad pickup pressure and select whether pad and paper checks are performed.
- Tutorials: Hides the Tutorial section in the help panel.
- Manual Programming: Hides the Manual programming function
- User Maintenance: Hides the User Maintenance function

Miscellaneous: Descriptions below assume the box has an 'x'. ie. selected

- Animate Transitions ...: Gives the User Interface a smoother feel.
- Automatically progress ... : Does not pause on non-vital screens





- Display warning when there is a risk of back contamination to source plates: When using the Recycle mode with Revisit a message is displayed which warns the user of possible back contamination.
- **Display warnings when Recycle mode is on:** If Recycle mode has been set previously it warns the user it is on.
- Check for incorrect pad type when counting: This uses an accurate height measurement of pads to warn user if incorrect pads have been loaded.
- Ignore crashes when retracting from pinning to a plate: If random crashes occur when the head is moving up and away from the plate the software will ignore them. Although this option will allow the user to continue to complete their experiment it should not be used as a long term solution. Please contact the Singer Instruments Technical Support Team.
- Colourise plate load/ swap / remove requests: Colours the wording in the instructions for loading/ swapping and removing plates to match the colours of the bay.
- Skip instructional stages when fitting/ removing the Stinger from the ROTOR: When the user becomes experienced with swapping the heads from Gripper to Stinger the instructional screens can be ignored.

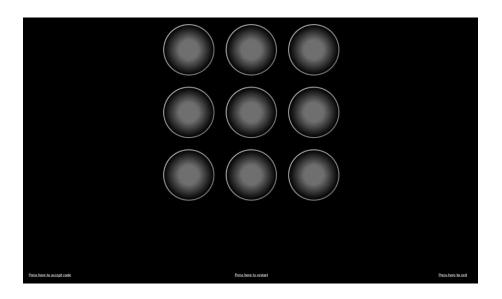
Screen Lock



Tabs: See above

Screen Lock: By selecting a code can be set to restrict access to certain users.

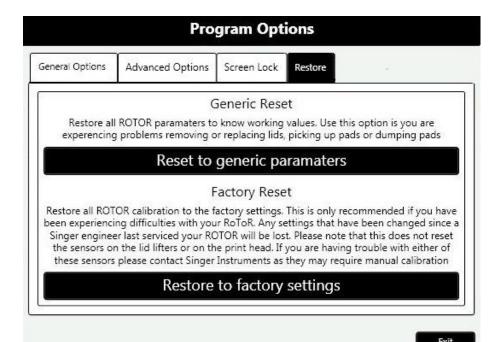




Create code screen: This is very similar to some Android phones. Select a sequence of dots which will change colour when selected.

When you have completed your selection either accept the code, re-enter a new code or exit without saving a code.

Restore



Tabs: See above

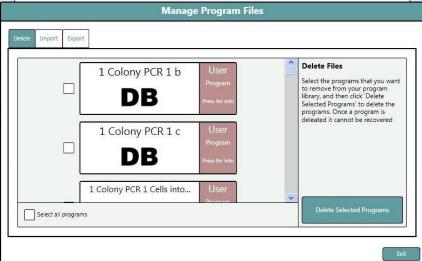
Generic Reset: Uses known working values.

Restore to factory settings: Returns all values back to the factory settings – as it was set when you received your ROTOR.

Exit







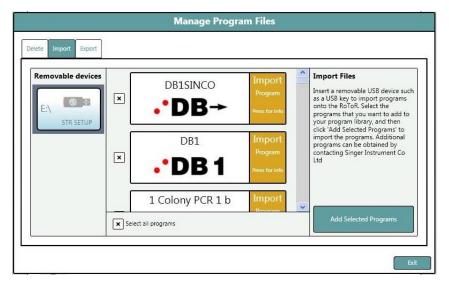
Use this function to manage the Programs stored on your ROTOR.

Tabs: Delete – This tab allows you to delete unwanted programs from your ROTOR MCI (Computer)

Program Files: This section lists all the programs that you have created and are stored on the ROTOR MCI (Computer).

Selection of the programs can be done individually by selecting the individual boxes next to each one or by selecting the box labelled "Select all programs". Select "Delete Selected Programs".

Exit



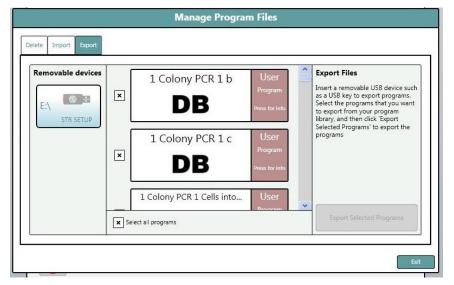
Tabs: Import – This tab allows you to import programs from a USB data key

Program Files: After plugging the USB data key into the port on the ROTOR MCI (computer) it will appear under "Removable devices". Select this to allow an automatic search of the key for available programs which will be displayed.

Select individually or all programs to add to your ROTOR software. Then select "Add Selected Programs".

Exit





Tabs: Export – This tab allows you to export programs to a USB data key

Program Files: After plugging the USB data key into the port on the ROTOR MCI (computer) it will appear under "Removable devices". Select this to allow an automatic search of the key for available programs which will be displayed.

Select individually or all programs to export to a USB data key then select "Export Selected Programs"

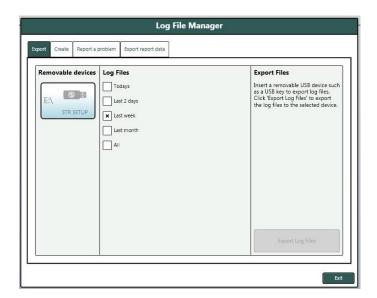
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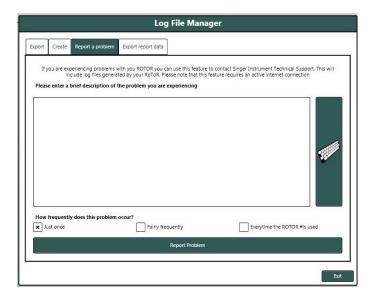


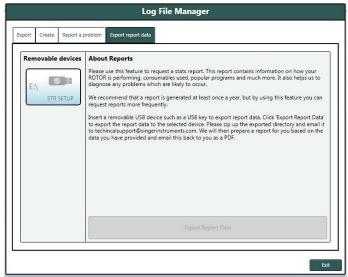
Log files are created (in most cases) if the ROTOR has a problem. The Singer Instruments Technical Team can use these log files to help to track down the problem. There are a number of different methods for retrieving these log files depending on the tab selected: Export, Create, Report a problem, Export report data.

You should find that each tab is self-explanatory but please contact <u>technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com</u> if you have any questions.













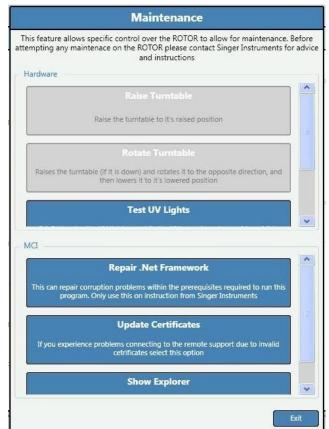


This is mainly for the benefit of customers who have a touchscreen. It will open up an on-screen keyboard. It is recommended for remote support sessions that the supplied USB keyboard is plugged into the touch screen computer and used for 'chatting' to Singer Technicians. When the technician takes control of the ROTOR MCI (computer) they will need to close the onscreen keyboard.



There are a number of maintenance tasks which it possible for the user to perform without the need for a remote access session with a Singer Technician.

Please see below for full descriptions.







Raise Turntable: This will lift the turntable and hold it in the up position. When replacing the turntable drive tyre or bump-stops use this button. Please contact <u>technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com</u> for full instructions before performing maintenance.

Rotate Turntable: After the maintenance has been performed on the turntable and it has been replaced this will rotate the turntable and allow it to lower in the correct position. Please contact technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com for full instructions before performing maintenance.

Test UV Lights: This will turn the UV light on for a very short period while the cover is open. It allows the user to check that the UV tube is working.

Reflash MEX: This reloads the firmware onto the microprocessor which is fitted into the back of the ROTOR. Please contact <u>technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com</u> for full instructions before performing this task.

Repair .NET Framework: Occasionally users have experienced unusual software issues. This can include software crashes, screen freeze etc.. By running the task this resets the Microsoft Framework which has been found to solve these problems. It does not affect the ROTOR software or any of the users programs or settings.

Update certificate: At the beginning of the year 2014 Microsoft updated some of their software certificates. To allow connection for remote support from a Singer Technician this certificate needs to be updated. If you experience problems connecting please select this button. Please contact technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com if this feature is not available as there is another way of updating

the certificate.

Show Explorer: Allows access to the files stored in the ROTOR folder using Windows Explorer. Only use this after advice from a Singer Technician. Please contact <u>technicalsupport@singerinstruments.com</u> for more information.







This allows the user to add the necessary parameter files if they purchase an attachment for their ROTOR. Eg. Stinger

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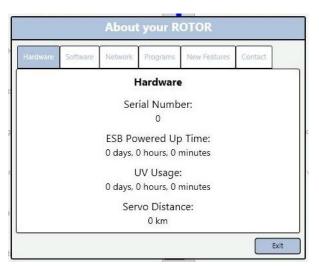


As the name suggests this exits the ROTOR software.

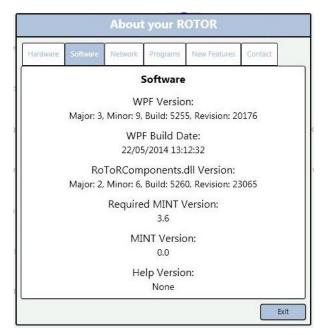




Use this button to get information on the ROTOR. This information may be requested by Singer Technicians.



Current information on the hardware installed on the ROTOR.



This shows the software version installed on the ROTOR. This will be required by Singer Technicians in the event of problems with the ROTOR.



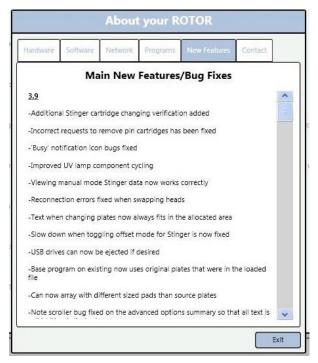
Often required by IT technicians supporting the lab before allowing an internet connection for remote access.



Displays a summary of the common programs used on the ROTOR.







Lists the new features and bug fixes on the software installed on the ROTOR.



Contact details for Singer Instruments





When it has been agreed that a Singer Technician has to access the ROTOR MCI (Computer) select this button. After selecting 'Connect' shown in the picture on the right the software may ask to check/ update the software. Please allow this to happen. This is the Remote Access software supplied by LogMeIn and does not affect the ROTOR software.



After selecting the online support button this box will pop up. It is necessary to confirm that a Singer Technician is available before initiating a remote session.



Although not essential it would be useful to fill in this online form so that the Singer Technician knows who is online.





This button is used for backing up all configuration files for the ROTOR. This may be requested by a Singer Technician. If changing the ROTOR MCI (Computer) a backup should be taken to transfer the configuration files over.





Insert a USB Data key in to the MCI and it will appear under 'Backup Location'. Select the Data Key from the list and the then select 'Backup Files'.

Insert a USB Data key in to the MCI and it will appear under 'Removable Drives. Select the Data Key from the list and the then select 'Import File'.



View and configure the network connection setup

Used by lab IT personnel to access the Windows Network Connections Panel for setting up the Internet Connection for Remote Access.



View tutorials on how to use the various modes

Contains some basic Tutorial Screens.

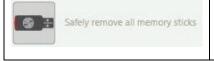




Where Remote Access is not available it is possible to update the ROTOR software via a USB Data Key. Please contact a Singer Instruments Technician for more information. A current Support Contract must be in place.



Download the software to a USB Data Key and plug the Data Key into the ROTOR MCI (computer). When the necessary files are found the 'Update Software Now' button will become active. Select and the software will be updated.



Some USB Data Keys require the user to 'Eject' the data key in software before removing it from the ROTOR MCI (Computer). A message will pop up to confirm when it is safe to remove the data key.

CONCLUSION

We hope that this explanation will assist you in performing the above procedure. If you need further assistance do not hesitate to contact the Technical Support Team at Singer Instruments.

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