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Lumen: a manual for web and print.

The documentation project presented in 2023 combined a web manual, an A4 PDF and an A5 printed edition for an optical measuring device.

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The original article describes the documentation for the Lumen from Petitpierre SA. Installation and first use had to be quickly accessible, and the content had to be published on several media.

The same content for web, PDF and print

Modular content in XHTML had been chosen so that it could be reused. The manual was intended for the web, for an A4 PDF and for an A5 printed edition. Updates and tracking of changes were also provided for.

Illustrations and a format suited to the product

Photorealistic renderings had been prepared from the product before it was physically available. The format, binding and bulk of the printed manual were also taken into account.

What is still useful today

Production can be speeded up when content and its variants are prepared in advance. Readability, fidelity to the product and updating must be checked on each medium.

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