# Moisture Analyzer BM 113

User Manual



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# Technical data sheet

| Capacity            | 110 g                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Division            | 0,001 g                     |
| Repeatability       | 0,15 %                      |
| Humidity resolution | 0,01 %                      |
| Minimum weight      | 0,008 g                     |
| Minimum test weight | 1 g                         |
| Calibration         | External (100g)             |
| Time management     | Timing – Automatic – Manual |
| Heating methods     | Standard – Fast – Soft      |
| Time range          | 1-99 minutes                |
| Temperature range   | 40 – 199 °C                 |
| Plate Dimensions    | Ø 90 mm                     |
| Lamp                | Halogen 400 W               |
| Memory              | 15 programs                 |
| Communication       | Serial RS-232               |
| Dimensions          | 340 * 200 * 180             |
| Net weight          | 9 Kg                        |
| Power supply        | 220 V – 50Hz                |

# General informations

| Front panel         |
|---------------------|
| Heating cup         |
| Halogen Lamp        |
| Thermal shield      |
| Aluminium plate     |
| Air flow protection |
| Crankshaft bracket  |
| Display             |
| Keyboard            |
| Adjustable feet     |
| RS 232              |
| Levelling bubble    |
| Fan                 |
| Power input         |
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# Keyboard



| Кеу        | Description                                   |  |  |  |
|------------|---|--|--|--|
| MENU       | Program Menu                                  |  |  |  |
| UNIT       | Select the measure unit                       |  |  |  |
| RESET      | Short press: Return to measurement mode / ESC |  |  |  |
|            | Long press: Calibration                       |  |  |  |
| START/STOP | Start and manual Stop of heating cycle        |  |  |  |
| TARE       | Tare  |  |  |  |
| ENTER      | Confirm and store settings                    |  |  |  |
| ON/OFF     | Power On /Off the scale                       |  |  |  |
| UP         | Increase the parameter                        |  |  |  |
|            | Turn on the backlight                         |  |  |  |
| DOWN       | Decrease the parameter                        |  |  |  |
|            | Turn Off the backlight                        |  |  |  |

# Display



| 1 |                     |          | Heating process active |
|---|---------------------|----------|------------------------|
| 2 | Heating methods     | STANDARD | Standard Drying        |
|   |                     | FAST     | Fast Drying            |
|   |                     | SOFT     | Slow Drying            |
| 3 | Switch off criteria |          | Automatic Stop         |
|   |                     | TIMING   | Timing Stop            |
|   |                     | MANUAL   | Manual Stop            |
| 4 |                     | -        | Time passed            |
| 5 |                     | -        | Actual temperature     |
| 6 |                     | -        | Humidity display in %  |
| 7 |                     | -        | Subtotal               |

# Security Instructions

#### Please read the following carefully before using the BM 113.

- The instrument can be used to test samples, any improper operation may cause personal injury and equipment damage;
- Connect the balance to the current according to the instructions given;
- Do not use the scale in hazardous, humid or unstable environments;
- Disconnect power supply before cleaning the scale;
- Keep enough space around the instrument and at least 1m from the top of the scale;
- During special tests, wear all necessary protective equipment;
- Do not change instrument components and other aspects. Maintenance of this equipment must be carried out by authorized professionals from the factory.
- Do not place flammable materials around the moisture balance;
- Do not touch the lamp when It's working;
  Pay particular attention to danger samples.
- Flammable and explosive materials: flammable and explosive materials testing will produce flammable gases or vapors, so it is necessary to lower the temperature in a dry environment to prevent the risk of fire or explosion.
- Toxic and corrosive substance: Keep toxic or corrosive samples in a well-ventilated area.
- Pay attention to not put excessive loads.
  To prevent damages, there is a mechanical overload security under the plate, that blocks the measuring cell when load is more than 110 gr.

#### Suggestions

1. Wait at least 30 minutes of warm up before making a calibration;

2. Do not leave the weight used to calibrate on the plate and then close the balance, in this case the halogen lamp would be ruined.

#### Unpacking and checking

Carefully remove the packaging, the plastic bag that surrounds it and place it in the designated workspace.

#### **Placement Requirements**



Stable table – No vibrations



Stable room temperature.



Ventilated environment









# Assembly

Fit the balance as shown in the figure. The order is 5-4-3-2-1

- 1. Aluminium plate
- 2. Triangular screw
- 3. Plate bracket
- **4.** Airflow protection
- 5. Stainless steel plate



### Power On/Off

- **1.** Connect the balance to the power supply
- **2.** Press ON/OFF key to switch on the balance.
- The display will turn on and the balance will autotest. Wait until you see the basic configuration: 0,000g











# Calibration

#### Weighing Adjustment

Balance adjustment is not necessary to determine the correct percentage of moisture present in the sample since it is relative. The instrument calculates the percentage of moisture by making the difference between the mass prior to drying and after.

However, the balance must be adjusted if it is provided by your procedure.

#### Procedure:

- Keep pressed **RESET key** until the display shows "-cal-",
- "100.000" blink, so place the certificated sample mass weight on the plate, and the display shows
  "= = = = =".
- Leave the weight until "100,000" is shown. Remove the weight, display shows "= = = = = " again, then wait until display shows " 0.000 ". Now calibration is complete.

# Preparation of the sample

Solid sample

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Place the dust or granular samples uniformly on the sample plate.

Crush the rough samples using a mortar or shredder. While grinding the sample, avoid overheating as this may cause moisture loss.

#### Liquid sample



For liquids, pads or melting samples, it is recommended to use a fiberglass filter. The fiberglass filter has the following advantages:

- Homogeneous distribution through the capillary attraction
- No drop formation
- Rapid evaporation due to a superior and homogeneous surface

# Test settings

#### Setting drying parameters

The device offers a wide variety of options that allow you to adapt a sample drying method.

Three heating profiles (standard drying, fast drying, slow drying) and three switch-off criteria (timer, automatic, manual).

#### Enter the id number for the drying method

There are 15 saved drying methods, which can be simply recalled and started according to the identified number (0-F) saved. To start the test it is always necessary to press the **START** key.

- 1. Press MENU, display shows "0 \* "
- 2. Using arrows keys ▲▼ select a program
- 3. Press ENTER to confirm
- 4. Heating methods start blinking
- 5. Using arrows keys ▲▼ select desired method
- 6. Press ENTER to confirm
- 7. Shutdown criteria starts blinking
- 8. Using arrows keys ▲▼select desired shutdown criteria
- 9. Press ENTER to confirm
- **10.** Temperature value blink
- 11. Set the desired temperature value, using arrows
- **12.** Press **ENTER** to confirm
- **13. Close the lid**. If It is not well closed, the test does not start.
- 14. Press START/STOP key to start the test.













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Note: Program 0 is the one set by default, and contains following settings:

- 120 ° C drying
- Standard heating profile;
- Automatic shut-off
  These settings can't be changed.

### Heating methods

#### STANDARD drying



This drying mode is the factory setting, suitable for most samples.

The sample is tested at a set temperature and maintained automatically throughout the test.



#### FAST drying



This mode is suitable for samples with a higher humidity content. The heating element will bring the chamber to a 30% higher than the set temperature, which will then be reduced to the set temperature. It will be maintained until the test ends automatically.



#### SOFT drying



This mode is suitable for samples with low humidity content when it is easy to burn the sample. The temperature will begin to rise gently, until stabilized.



# Shutdown criteria

The shutdown criterion defines under which conditions the device must stop the drying process. The shutdown criteria allow you to save continuous checks and manually stop the drying processes. In addition, they ensure that measurements always end at the same conditions, providing repeatable measurements.



### Troubleshooting

| N. | Error | Causes and Solutions  |
|----|-------|---|
| 1  | ERR1  | Sample weight is less than 1g, please place more than 1g of sample, then repeat the test. |
| 2  | ERR2  | The set temperature is less than 40 ° C, set a higher temperature.                        |
| 3  | ERR3  | The test time is less than 30 seconds.  |
| 4  | ERR4  | Halogen Lamp faulty.  |
| 5  | ERR5  | The time setting for slow drying mode is less than 3 minutes.                             |
| 6  | ERR6  | Temperature sensor faulty.  |
| 7  |       | Pressing start lamp does not heat: Close the lid.   |

# RS-232 Communication

#### **Technical data**

| Connection: | 9 pin                                |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Baud-rate:  | 1200 / 2400 / 4800 / 9600 selectable |
| Parity:     | 7 bit / 2 stop bit                   |



#### **Baud Rate settings**

- Press the **ON/OFF** button, then press the **TARE** key immediately. The currently displayed Baud Rate is displayed on the display
- 2. Select the Baud rate using arrows
- 3. Press ENTER to confirm

0 0 0 1200 mg ÷**b** 



### Printing

BM113 store automatically last 5 cycle results with details (1=last one....5=oldest one)

To print results, when the cycle is ended, press **MENU** and keep pressed until display shows "PRINT.

Display shows "L-E".

Press ENTER to confirm.

Using arrows  $\blacktriangle$  Select which cycle to print (1....5) and confirm with **ENTER** key.







# Samples

| Sample                   | Mass of the sample (g) | Drying<br>temperature (°C) | Drying time<br>approx (min) | Humidity %<br>about | Solid mass% about |
|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Sliced pineapple         | 5                      | 110                        | 14.4                        | 6.71                | -                 |
| Milk                     | 3                      | 80                         | 27.4                        | 83.87               | -                 |
| Blue-veined cheese       | 2                      | 160                        | 13.3                        | -                   | 53.06             |
| Beans                    | 4.5                    | 150                        | 9.7                         | 11.85               | -                 |
| Butter                   | 1.7                    | 140                        | 4.3                         | -                   | 84.95             |
| Corn flakes              | 2-4                    | 120                        | 5-7                         | 9.7                 | -                 |
| River water              | 5                      | 130                        | 20                          | 8                   | -                 |
| Sugar<br>Milk flakes     | 2                      | 155                        | 7.6                         | 34.07<br>6.25       | -                 |
| Dried beans              | 5-7                    | 130                        | 9.7                         | 5.90                | -                 |
| Dried peas               | 5 5-6                  | 120                        | 3                           | 4 92                | -                 |
| Dry carrots              | 5-7                    | 110                        | 10                          | 6.21                | -                 |
| Dry grain                | 8-10                   | 160                        | 5                           | 0.26                | -                 |
| Oat flakes               | 2.2                    | 100                        | 3.8                         | 4                   | -                 |
| Hazelnuts                | 2.6                    | 100                        | 4.5                         | 3.74                | -                 |
| Hazelnuts (peeled)       | 1                      | 160                        | 5.5                         | 6.45                | -                 |
| Food for dogs            | 5                      | 160                        | 15                          | 15.80               | -                 |
| Yogurt                   | 1                      | 120                        | 10                          | 7043                | -                 |
| Coffee, in a cup         | 5                      | 140                        | 17.3                        | 9.32                | -                 |
| Coffee beans, raw        | 3                      | 140                        | 7                           | 2.68                | -                 |
| Coffee beans, roasted    | 2-3                    | 130                        | 6-8                         | 78.5                | -                 |
| Coffee cream             | 3.5-4                  | 120                        | 8                           | 8.53                | -                 |
| Coffee seeds             | 2.5                    | 105                        | 4                           | 3.45                | -                 |
| Сосоа                    | 4-5                    | 130                        | 7.8                         | 6.23                | -                 |
| Cocoa seed               | 12-14                  | 160                        | 5                           | 0.05                | -                 |
| Limestone                | 2.5-3.0                | 130                        | 5.8                         | 12.46               | -                 |
| Potato powder            | 3-4                    | 106                        | 7.5                         | 6.9                 | -                 |
| Ketchup<br>Garlis powder | 2                      | 120                        | 18                          | 74.44<br>E 26       | -                 |
|                          | 2                      | 100                        | 7.3                         | 5.30<br>12.40       | -                 |
| Skimmed milk powder      | 4                      | 90                         | 5.4                         | 3.67                | -                 |
| Low-fat cheese           | 1.2                    | 130                        | 8                           | -                   | 18 5              |
| Cornstarch               | 5                      | 200                        | 7.5                         | 12.94               | -                 |
| Almonds (natural)        | 2.5                    | 100                        | 5.3                         | 4.19                | -                 |
| Margarine                | 2.2                    | 160                        | 4                           | 19.15               | -                 |
| Mayonnaise               | 1                      | 160                        | 10                          | 20.6                | -                 |
| Flour                    | 8-10                   | 130                        | 4.5                         | 12.5                | -                 |
| Milk                     | 1                      | 140                        | 7.3                         | 88                  | -                 |
| Mozzarella cheese        | 1.5                    | 160                        | 11.1                        | -                   | 45.78             |
| Noodle mass              | 2.5                    | 103                        | 10                          | 0.6                 | -                 |
| Noodle paste             | 0.55                   | 160                        | 5                           | 12                  | -                 |
| Orange juice             | 1                      | 140                        | 10                          | 88.89               | -                 |
| Pepper, black, powder    | 2                      | 85                         | 8.8                         | 7.97                | -                 |
| Curd                     | 1                      | 140                        | 7                           | -                   | 18                |
| Curd cheese              | 1.2                    | 130                        | 8                           | -                   | 23                |
| White rice               | 5                      | 200                        | 12.3                        | 15.12               | -                 |
|                          | 5-5                    | 200                        | 13-20                       | 97.4                | -                 |
| Salt<br>Melted cheese    | 15                     | 200                        | 10                          | 35.65               | -                 |
| Chocolate                | 3                      | 140                        | 6                           | 24                  | -                 |
| Chocolate powder         | 2-4                    | 100                        | 4                           | 1.9                 | -                 |
| Lard                     | 0.70                   | 160                        | 3.5                         | 1.2                 | -                 |
| Mustard                  | 2.5-3                  | 80                         | 19                          | -                   | 34.69             |
| Soy flour                | 4.6                    | 95                         | 4.9                         | 4.8                 | -                 |
| Soy beans, granulated    | 5                      | 110                        | 22.6                        | 12.16               | -                 |
| Sunflower seeds burned   | 3-3.5                  | 100                        | 4                           | 5.92                | -                 |
| Sunflower oil            | 10-14                  | 138                        | 2                           | 0.1                 | -                 |
| Spaghetti                | 3                      | 105                        | 15.1                        | 10.63               | -                 |
| Tea, black               | 2                      | 105                        | 4                           | 7.67                | -                 |
| Green tea                | 5                      | 120                        | 9                           | 3.76                | -                 |
| Pasta                    | 1.5                    | 120                        | 8                           | 10.64               | -                 |
| Wot                      | 2.8                    | 100                        | 5.6                         | 3.5                 | -                 |
| Sugar                    | 4-5                    | 138                        | 10                          | 11.9                | -                 |
| Sugar beets              | 2                      | 130                        | 13.4                        | -                   | 30.94             |