CAPILLARY RHEOMETER

CONTIFEED
Thermal Conductivity
PVT isothermal/isobaric
Counter Pressure Chamber
Shark-Skin
Die Swell Measurement
Elongation

RHEOGRAPH + ADD-ON

viscosity
RHEOGRAPH 20, 25, 50, 75 and 120 have been redeveloped based on 40 years of experience by previous generations.

A higher level of automation and user friendliness, larger shear rate range, as well as an unforeseen variety of testing weights fulfill all customer desires. The integrated colored touchscreen, the automatic pressure recognition, as well as signal processing of the pressure value (0.005 % resolution) are just some of the newest features.

With the script capable PC-software LabRheo, the machines suit perfectly the demands of users in research & development, quality control, as well as incoming goods inspection.

- The option of a single, dual or triple barrel system with a resolution of 9.5, 12, 15, 20, 25 or 30 mm, as well as flexible measurement is possible
- Speed between 0,00004 - 40 mm/s (1:1000000), RG20: 0,0001 - 40 mm/s
- Dynamic test stamp acceleration: from 0 to 40 mm/s in 0.6 seconds
- Position tracking with high resolution encoder
- Temperature control range up to 400 °C (500 °C optional), display resolution 0.01 °C
- Automatic pressure transducer detection and identifying „Plug & Test”
- Adaptive signal resolution of 0.005 % from the pressure transducer range

FROM 0 TO 40 MM/S IN 0.6 SECONDS
ADVANCED THROUGH HIGHER ACCURACY

With the new generation of the RHEOGRAPH, the accuracy of the pressure transduction has increased 10 times, which shows that accuracy leads to the extension of the measurement area by one decade. One pressure transducer now works with a resolution of **0.1 bar or 30000 PSI > 1.5 PSI**!

- Resolution of pressure measurement off less than 0.005 % of nominal range
- Improvement of repetition accuracy with testing material by factor 10
- Improvement of repetition accuracy of pressure measurement is less than 0.05 % off nominal range
- Extension of measurement range in the lower shear speed range by 10 times
RHEOGRAPH 20
Perfect entry level model for viscosity measurements

HIGHLIGHTS

- Constant and high stamp force of 20 kN
- Test barrel diameter of 9.5 mm, maximum pressure of 2500 bar
- Dynamic speed range: 0.0001 - 30 mm/s (0.006 - 1800 mm/min)
- Path tracking with high resolution encoder (0.000053 mm)
- Modern cooling system, cooling rate of max. 30 K/min
- No liquid cooling necessary, but possible on an optional basis
- Integrated tempering cover
- PVT-Measurement either isothermal or isobaric
- Optimized test barrel, less heat supply necessary
The entry level model of the newly developed high pressure capillary rheometer made by GÖTTFERT is a rheometer with a test force of 20 kN. Besides measuring viscosity, the RG20 is capable of accessing the GÖTTFERT Add-on platform for the extended material characterization. This is a value added factor in the characterization of material specific behavior. The well established single or multiple barrel models complete the platform of capillary rheometers alongside usage specific capillaries and optional special editions.

The essential improvement of the GÖTTFERT capillary rheometer has been achieved through the higher accuracy of pressure measurements. Reproduction and higher precision have been improved by factor 10. Therefore, the measurement range in the lower shear rate range has been extended.

GÖTTFERT clearly distinguished itself from the market through the improvements in the lower shear rate area.

According the standards:
- DIN 54811
- ASTM D3835
- ISO 17744 (PVT)
- ASTM D5930 (TC)
- ASTM D5099
- ISO 11443

- PVT (Pressure, Volume, Temperature)
- Elongation (HAUL-OFF, RHEOTENS)
- Contifeed
- Shark-Skin
- Thermal Conductivity
- Counter-Pressure-Champer
- Die Swell Measurement
HIGHLIGHTS

• 25 - 120 kN measuring force

• The option of a single, dual or triple barrel system with a resolution of 9.5, 12, 15, 20, 25 or 30 mm, as well as flexible measurement is possible

• Speed between 0.00004 - 40 mm/s (1:1000000), RG20: 0.0001 - 40mm/s

• High dynamic acceleration of the test stamp from 0 to 40 mm/s in 0.6 seconds

• Path tracking with high resolution encoder

• Temperature control range up to 400°C (500°C optional)

• Adaptive signal resolution of 0.005 % from the pressure transducer range
The newly developed GÖTTFERT series of high pressure capillary rheometers is available with different testing force of RG 25, 50, 75 or 120 kN. Therefore, the RG120 is capable of measuring higher testing force and higher shear rate. The diverse program of Add-ons is an unforeseen platform on the market of capillary rheometry for the extended material characterization. Besides determining of viscosity, modular Add-ons add essential value to the characterization of material specific behavior. The established single or multiple barrel options complete the platform of capillary rheometry alongside multiple user specific capillaries as well as optional special editions.

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RHEOGRAPH ADD-ON
Modular platform for the extended characterization of polymers

CONTIFEED
- Bubble free filling of the test channel
- Automatic loading of bulky samples possible
- Time saving up to 50 % during testing process through more effective heating
- Shorter heating period for shorter material dwell time through influence of temperature
- Recognition of process relevant rheological data for injection molding
- By pre-plasticification powder materials like PVC dry batches can be measured as well

THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY
- Determination of heat conductivity
- Measurement Range: Temperature up to 450 °C, Pressure up to 1000 bar
- Developed according to ASTM D5930
- Test sensor with integrated heat device and ability to track temperature
- Optimization of cycle time during injection molding
- No mechanical retooling necessary
- Simulation of process
- Available with automatic process steering

PVT (ISOBARIC & ISOTHERMAL)
- Measuring process according to ISO 17744
- Determination of data about pressure, volume and temperature
- Measuring setting isobar and isotherm
- Variable testing body volume
- Easy handling through quick release fastener
- Illustration of PVT Diagram
- Optimization of Flow - and Shrink process
- Available with automatic process steering

COUNTER PRESSURE CHAMBER*
- Determination of pressure coefficient
- Determination of critical wall shear stress wall slides
- Max pressure (Pm) 1200 bar
- Temperature range up to 400 °C
- Optimization of flow process in processing machines
  (Injection molding, Extrusion tools with long flow paths, Melt pumps)

* Further information on page 12!
ELONGATION TESTING

RHEOTENS:
- Infinitely variable speed
- Free selection between linear and exponential acceleration
- Setting, steering of measuring process and test analysis with Windows Program RHEOTENS 97
- Different pull-off wheels – to be specified depending on usage
- Tandem pull-off wheels
- Already existing RHEOTENS machines can be upgraded with new electronic box as well as "RHEOTENS 97”.

HAUL-OFF:
- Indefinitely variable speed of 0 - 600 m/min, optional from 0 - 2000 m/min
- Optional selection between linear or exponential acceleration
- Anti-adhesion surface of pull-off wheel
- Measurement range up to 1 N, Resolution 0.05 mN
- Software for setting, steering of measurement and analysis

DIE SWELL MEASUREMENT
- Determination of dynamic and static die swell
- Analysis of threshold profile (BASELL Method)
- Swivel with infinitely variable height setting
- Laser measuring head in 0.1 μm or 7 μm edition
- Optional with automatic melt cutting device
- Application: Simulation of Material-Threshold behavior during injection molding

FLOW INSTABILITIES (SHARK-SKIN, SLIP STICK,...)
- Measuring cell for tracking of Shark-Skin effect
- Consisting of slit die, three high frequency sensors (rate up to 20 kHz), as well as software package
- Determination of frequency spectrum, as well as statistical analysis of pressure signal
- Optimization of extrusion-, film and coating process
PVT500
Testing device for exercising isobaric and isothermal PVT measurements with inspection of material specific behavior

HIGHLIGHTS
- Constant and high stamp force of 20 kN
- Test barrel diameter of 9.5 mm, maximum pressure of 2500 bar
- Dynamic speed range: 0.0001 - 30 mm/s (0.006 - 2400 mm/min)
- Path tracking with high resolution encoder (0.000053 mm)
- Modern cooling system, cooling rate of max. 30 K/min
- No liquid cooling necessary, but possible on an optional basis
- Integrated tempering cover
- PVT-Measurement either isothermal or isobaric
- Optimized test barrel, less heat supply necessary
- Determination of D3-Coefficient
PVT stands for Pressure Volume and Temperature. Isothermal PVT measurements test material specific behavior at constant temperature and variable pressure and force. The isobaric PVT measurement however is exercised at constant pressure and variable temperatures. The collected data from measuring with the PVT500 are especially relevant for the simulation of injection molding processes. The PVT-measuring delivers an equally accurate description of the cooling process as taken place in the extrusion. The PVT500 comes with the established software LabRheo, in which individual testing parameters can be selected. Additionally, there is the option to have real time monitoring of measurements. After defining parameters with the LabRheo script generator, the automatic measurement starts. Besides measurements according to ISO 22007 and ASTM D5930, the PVT500 is also capable of fulfilling measurements according to ISO 17744. Since its efficient air conditioning, the testing device does not need an additional thermostat, which saves significant amount of space.

**According the standards:**
- ISO 17744 (PVT)
- ASTM D5930 (TC)
- ISO 22007

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**PVT ISOBARIC**

Measurements according to ISO 1744 are standard for instruments with a test piston. Isobaric measurements are being completed under constant pressure and progressively changing temperature. Therefore, the material specific volume can be determined as a function of temperature and pressure. A central part of the PVT-measurement is the cooling behavior, which is relevant for injection molding processes. GÖTTFERT offers the opportunity to measure isobaric and isothermal PVT-measurements, either with the capillary rheometer Add-on PVT or the stand-alone instrument PVT500.

**ADD-ON**

Besides isobaric and isothermal PVT measurements, there is also the option to determine the thermal conductivity with the PVT500.

**OPTIONS**

- Additional temperature control with external thermostat
COUNTER PRESSURE
Different and multiple test modes in one instrument

HIGHLIGHTS
• Constant high piston force over the entire speed range
• Speed range: 0.0004 mm/s to 40 mm/s
• (0.0024 mm/min - 2400 mm/minute), corresponding to a ratio of 1: 1,000,000
• High dynamic die acceleration: 0 - 40 mm/s in 0.6 seconds
• Position Detection: High Resolution Encoder (0.0000016 mm)
• Automatic pressure sensor recognition: Plug & Test
COUNTER PRESSURE

This modified capillary rheometer consists of two connected capillary rheometers and can be used in different test modes. Therefore, both rheometers can be used independently.

The counter pressure viscosimeter is a rheological instrument, that is used for the determination of the viscosity of plastics and other flow able materials in dependence to counter pressure. It consists of two capillary rheometers, which are simultaneously connected through a connection barrel and are therefore both able to influence the test ample. With this modified instrument, it is possible to determine the flow curve of materials in dependency to counter pressure.

Barrel 1 (B1) is being used for viscosity measurements and barrel 2 (B2) is being used for the regulation of counter pressure.

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ACCURACY

The signal of pressure transducer RG20, RG25, RG50, RG74 and RG120 can be shown with a resolution 0.005 % off the par range, which means 0.1 bar with a 2000 bar sensor. All of GÖTTFERT’s pressure sensors are being calibrated with our software in order to guarantee highest quality.

FUNCTION

The RG Counter Pressure offers the opportunity to automatically measure different viscosity functions under counter pressure. Capillary rheometer 2 regulates counter pressure. After a flow curve is determined, the material is being pushed from capillary rheometer 2 into capillary rheometer 1. Now, a flow curve can be measured under different counter pressure. The illustration shows a schematic example of two connected capillary rheometers.
RHEOGRAPH 25E

Determination of flow behavior and viscosity of thermoplastic materials, as well as the production of pharmaceutical implants

HIGHLIGHTS

• Complete stainless steal edition, for usage in clean room, category A
• Piston speed of 0.00004 until 40 mm/s over entire force measuring range 25 kN
• Test barrel diameter of 20 mm
• Temperature regulation of +30°C until +250°C
• Measuring mode „constant speed“ or „constant force“
• Determination of test piston speed, apparent and true shear stress
• Selecting parameters, steering and measurement with software LabRheo, Analysis with software WinRheo 2
• SCRIPT-Steering for three defined measuring- and production processes
RHEOGRAPH 25E

The Rheograph 25E is an innovative high pressure capillary rheometer for the determination of flow behavior and viscosity of thermoplastic plastics and rubber, as well as for the production of pharmaceutical implants. Contrary to the usual snail extrusion, the RHEOGRAPH 25E uses the RAM-Extrusion with mixed mass (ingredient and pharmaceutical substance) filled into a cylindric channel. The mixture is now compromised, heated and melted. At constant stamp speed, the melted material is being extruded. This method guarantees a homogeneous and bubble free string.

OPTIONS

- Die Swell Measurement
MAINTENANCE AND CALIBRATION

material testing equipment stands for a long lifetime combined with a low failure rate

In order to guarantee reproducible and reliable test results, periodic maintenance is necessary. A world wide operating team of our service engineers, guarantees sustainable, reliable and accurate rheological test results.

Only frequent maintenance guarantees the reliability of our instruments. We are offering service contracts, which are adjusted to your individual needs. Our professionally trained service team, as well as our quality management system (according to the international standard DIN EN ISO 9001), we are guaranteeing a fast and reliable service.

Our service engineers have the opportunity to exercise the following maintenance actions in accordance to ISO/IEC 17025:

SUITABLE SERVICE FOR DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS

SERVICE BASIC*

Maintenance and calibration of the instrument with traceable measuring devices.

* SERVICE BASIC is no longer provided for manually operated melt flow indexers of the current model series.

SERVICE BASIC PLUS

Maintenance with factory calibration protocol: Maintenance and calibration of the instrument with traceable measuring devices, including statistical measurement uncertainty, which has been determined by an evaluation of the statistical measurands on several different instruments.

SERVICE ISO 17025

Maintenance and calibration of the instrument with traceable measuring devices, including an indication of the lowest measurement uncertainty, which has been determined directly at the test device on site.

After successful completion a verification report will be provided in accordance with the requirements of ISO 17025.
EXTENDED PROTECTION
for melt flow indexer and high pressure capillary rheometers

All GÖTTFERT testing instruments are under a legal warranty of 1 year. The »Extended Protection« additionally offers warranty of another 24 months for our manual melt flow indexer and high pressure capillary rheometers as long as a maintenance contract is being signed (run time of 36 months after acquisition and up to 12 months after). This includes maintenance visits once or twice a year in order to guarantee the reliability of the machine.

We would love to create a perfectly suited offer for your needs, which could include additional advantages of SERVICE BASIC PLUS or SERVICE ISO 17025. This includes discounted spare parts or priority treatment for requests. Therefore budget calculations and forecasts are made easier.

**STANDARD**

1. Instrument purchase
2. 1 year Standard Warranty
3. Half-yearly/annual maintenance visit

**EXTENDED**

1. Maintenance contract + Extended warranty
2. Annual maintenance visit
3. Annual maintenance visit

**ADVANTAGES**

- Cleaning, function check, exchange of wear parts* and calibration with certified standards according to the maintenance protocol SERVICE BASIC as well as calibration with factory calibration protocol SERVICE BASIC PLUS or SERVICE ISO 17025.

- Spare parts and travel costs are included in SERVICE BASIC (except consumables and wear materials*, as well as damages caused by the user or transport costs)

- The »Extended Protection« is available from the time of purchase and up to 12 months thereafter

- Upon request, individual offers are also prepared

- Software updates within the software version (subgroup) included

- Software updates according to individual offer

* Wear parts are test channels, test pistons, capillaries, test piston holder, touchscreen (control panel), gas pressure feather of protection cover, as well as cleaning tools and cleaning materials
SOFTWARE

LabRheo – Network compilable software system for finding parameters, measurements and analysis

FUNCTIONS

The user friendliness, the wide spectrum of application opportunities and the saving of testing data were a central point and priority in the redevelopment of this program.

Terminal-independent functions:
- Free illustration of raw values- and analysis graphic
- Continuous display of instrument status
- Automatic reading of testing instrument information
- Self explanatory dialogs and information fields, Online assistance
- Open platform for application specific fields, filter for measurements
- Selective access right for optimized security
- Script steered measuring process

ANALYSIS WITH WINRHEO II

- Calculations for round hole capillaries and slit capillaries
- Corrections like Rabinowitsch-Weissenberg, Bagley (linear/not linear), Mooney, Hagenbach, Gleissle
- Approximation of flow curves according to the following models: Ostwald-De Waele (power set), Carreau-Winter, Yasuda, Sabia, Münstedt and Cross
- Elastic viscosity after Cogswell
- Extensive analysis like Non-Newton-Index (NNI factor), thermo stability, relaxation, wall slipping and ramps
- Normal voltage
- PVT Diagram and Tait Adjustment
- Temperature Shift: Creation of master curves out of flow curves at different temperatures, Determination of model coefficient for master curve, approximation of master curve after Carreau-Winter and Cross, Calculation of shift factors after WLF and Arrhenius
## PERFORMANCE DATA

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* Further test barrel geometry, more applications and modifications on request.