

# Thermogravimetric Analyzer TGA Thermostep

## **General Information**

Thermogravimetry is a standard method to analyze organic, inorganic and synthetic materials. Thermogavimetric analysis in general means the measurement of the weight loss during a user-defined temperature or heating process.

ELTRA's TGA Thermostep is a thermogravimetric analyzer which determines various parameters such as moisture, volatiles and ash at user-defined temperatures and atmospheres in a single analysis. The TGA Thermostep simultaneously analyzes up to 19 samples with sample weights up to 5 g and can be operated at temperatures up to 1000 °C.

A special feature of the TGA Thermostep is the management of crucible covers. The analyzer can place and remove the covers of the crucibles during analysis. This feature allows for example the precise determination of volatile content in coal and coke.



## **Application Examples**

coal, coke, food, limestone, plastics

#### **Product Advantages**

- short heating rates, high temperature constancy
- simultaneous measurement of 19 samples
- sample weight in macro range (multiple gram)
- crucible covers can be placed and removed during analysis
- precise, accurate and reliable determination of moisture, volatile, ash content
- wide range of materials can be analyzed
- programmable furnace temperature can be set up to 1000 °C in steps of 1 °C
- powerful software (multilingual, customized display, export of results)
- two thermocouples for precise temperature control
- balance with 0,0001 g resolution
- low maintenance
- robust design allows usage in production control and laboratory

#### Features

Measured elements Samples Field of application	ash content, moisture, volatiles inorganic, organic, synthetic agriculture, biology, chemistry / plastics, coal / power plant, construction materials, environment / recycling, food, geology / mining, glass / ceramics, medicine / pharmaceuticals
Furnace	resistance heated ceramic furnace,

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-	programmable in 1 °C steps from 50 °C up to 1000 °C
Detection method	balance
Max. number of samples	19 crucibles + 1 reference crucible
Balance resolution	0.0001 g
Balance precision	0.02 % RSD
Gas required	depends on application: oxygen 99.9 % pure (2 - 4 bar) and,or nitrogen 99.9 % pure (2 - 4 bar) and air 99.5 % (5 - 6 bar)
Power requirements	230 V, 50/60 Hz, max. 32 A
Dimensions (W x H x D)	55 x 52 x 62 cm
Weight	~ 65 kg
Required equipment	externe Absaugung (ø 100 mm; Gebläse mit 4m3/min), monitor, PC

## **Function Principle**

Operation of the TGA Thermostep is simple and convenient. The measurement process has to be defined once regarding the used temperatures, atmospheres and heating ranges. To start the analysis, a predefined process simply has to be chosen in the software and the sample has to be weighed into the crucible. All further steps are processed automatically. All data processing, control of the measurement process and calculating of the result is done by an external PC with Windows®-based software. The determination of moisture, volatile and ash content needs about 4 hours.

#### Order data

#### **ELTRA TGA Thermostep**

(Please order PC, monitor separately) 88100-3001	TGA Thermostep with 2 carousels, 20 ceramic crucibles and 20 lids	
PC, Monitor		
71015	Computer with dual core processor, 300 GB HD GB RAM, Windows operating system, DVD-RO keyboard, mouse	
71016	Monitor, TFT	
71002	Printer	
Accessories		
26063	Ceramic crucible	
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26053	Ceramic lid
26085	External weighing station
26102	External weighing station with balance
72070	Oxygen regulator
72080	Nitrogen regulator
71090	Voltage Stabilizer 5 KVA
11830	Compressed air tube 5 m, 4x1
71010	Brush
23111	Spatula

#### **Spare and Wear Parts**

26276	Crucible tray
26285	Balance pedestal
26063	Ceramic crucible
26053	Ceramic lid
26288	Wind shield for balance