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## **Quality Control using Turbidity Measurements**

Typical turbidity values for various liquids			
Liquid	NTU		
Deionized water	0.02		
Drinking water	0.02 0.5		
Spring water	0.05 10		
Wastewater (untreated)	70 2000		
White water (paper industry)	60 800		



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Turbidity measurements are of extreme importance in quality monitoring in water, wastewater, beverage production, electroplating and petrochemical applications.

Light passing through liquid which contains undissolved solids, such as algae, mud, microbes and other insoluble particles, is both absorbed and scattered. Turbidity increases with the amount of undissolved solids present in the sample. However, the shape, size and composition of the particles also influence the degree of turbidity. Turbidity has been determined by simply measuring light passing through the sample. Measuring the **scattered light at an angle of 90**° has proved to be a more accurate method particularly at lower measuring ranges. Instruments that use this method are also referred to as **nephelometers**.

Turbidity or nephelometers instruments differ by the light source they utilize. Infrared units (IR-LED) with a wavelength of 860 nm are required for methods: ISO 7027/ DIN EN 27027 (EN ISO 7027). Standard methods specifies the use of units that use white light by a tungsten wide-band lamp for water and wastewater analysis.

#### **Calibration and Standards**

Formazine is recognized throughout the world as a primary standard. Standards with lower turbidity values can be prepared by dilution from a formazine standard solution with 4000 NTU. However, apart from common dilution mistakes (often 10%), the major disadvantage is the limited shelf life of formazine, which should only be used when fresh. Due to a favorable distribution of particle size, newly applied materials such as the AMCO<sup>®</sup> standard provide improved accuracy and save having to work with formazine. They have the additional advantage of a minimum shelf life of 12 months.

#### AMCO<sup>®</sup> Standards – for use in Drinking Water Analysis

All WTW turbidity instruments come complete with AMCO<sup>®</sup> standards. AMCO<sup>®</sup> standards are the US EPA approved primary standard for drinking water analysis. AMCO<sup>®</sup> is also recognized as a secondary standards by DIN ISO regulations.



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Multiparameter

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Turbidity

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## The Right Instrument for the right Use!

#### 4 models to choose from:

2 portable IR or Tungsten models and

2 laboratory meters with IR or Tungsten light source:

Applicat	NEW ions			NTU AR
	Turb 430 IR	Turb 355 T/IR	Turb 550/ Turb 550 IR	Turb 555/ Turb 555 IR
Applications	Portable use for all water testing applications incl. drinking water, wine industry, process control	Portable use for waste water, surface water and ground water applications	Routine meter for laboratories; drinking water	Routine meter for precision measurements
Light source	IR LED	Tungsten lamp/IR LED	Tungsten lamp/IR LED	Tungsten lamp/IR LED
Measuring range	0-1100 NTU/FNU	0-1100 NTU/FNU	0-1000 NTU/FNU	0-10000 NTU/FNU/FAU
Calibration	Automatic 3 point	Automatic 1-3 point	Automatic 1-3 point	Automatic 1-5 point
Special features	Portable field meter	Portable field meter	AQA Flow-thru measurement (unpressurized)	AQA complete withpass- word protection, ratio method for the reduction of interferences; transmission, flow-thru measurement (unpressurized/up to 1 bar)
Please note <sup>.</sup>				CO®-standards
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As floating and moving particles are measured in turbidity, slight measurement deviations are possible. In order to achieve results which are as representative as possible, attention should be paid to the following:

- samples should be measured immediately, as particle otherwise settle.
- constant lamp operating temperature.
- condensation on samples should be avoided.
- the position of the standards should be marked to exclude the influence of glass inhomogenities.



US EPA

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## Laboratory Turbidity Meters

## Turb 550 / Turb 550 IR





Flow-thru measurement

#### THE professional turbidity meter - Up to 1,000 NTU

Laboratory turbidity meters for nephelometric measurements with automatic 1-3-point calibration and calibration interval monitoring. Measuring range selection from 0.01 ... 1000 NTU is carried out automatically and for comparative measurements the current and previous values can be shown on the 2-line display.

Standard equipment includes instrument with built-in ahort operating instructions, 2 empty cuvettes and 3 standards (0.02 - 10.0 - 1000 NTU, AMCO<sup>®</sup> standards with approval for drinking water as primary standards according to US EPA and according to EN ISO 7027).

An unpressurized flow-thru adapter is available for continuous measurements.



### **Technical Data**

	Turb 550	Turb 550 IR	Turb 555	Turb 555 IR
Measuring principles	Nephelometric	Nephelometric ratio method	Nephelometric ratio methode transmission	Nephelometric ratio methode transmission
Light source	Tungsten lamp	IR-LED	Tungsten lamp	IR-LED
Measuring range NTU FNU EBC Nephelos FAU	0 1000 - - - -	0 1000 0 1000 - -	0 10000 - 0 2450 0 67000 -	0 10000 0 10000 0 2450 - 0 10000
Resolution	0.01 NTU from 0.00 9.99 0.1 NTU from 10.0 99.9 1 NTU from 100 1000		0.0001 NTU from 0.0001 9.9999 NTU 0.001 NTU from 10.000 99.999 NTU 0.01 NTU from 100.00 999.99 NTU 0.1 NTU from 1000.0 9999.9 NTU	
Accuracy	±2% of value or ±0.01 NTU		0 1000 NTU: ±2 % of value or ±0.01 NTU 1000 4000 NTU: ±5 % of value 4000 10000 NTU: ±10 % of value	
Reproducibility	±1% of value or ±0.01 NTU			
Calibration	Automatic 13 point calibration		Automatic 15 point calibration	
Response time	< 3 seconds		< 6 seconds	
Cuvettes	1.1 x 2.76 in (28 x 70 mm) round cuvette, 25 ml sample volume			
AQA functions	Calibration interval monitoring Calibration protocol		Calibration interval monitoring Calibration protocol Password-protected access to calibration and configuration time-controlled data transmission	
Operating temp.	50 104 °F (+10 +40 °C)		32 122 °F (0 +50 °C)	
Power supply	Plug-in power supply 100 - 240 VAC ±10 % / 47 - 63 Hz			

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### Laboratory Turbidity Meters



#### The ADVANCED professional meter - Measuring range up to 10,000 NTU

High-precision laboratory turbidity meter with a wide measuring range of 0.0001 to 10000 NTU (automatic measuring range switching) for all turbidity measuring applications from ultrapure and drinking water measurements, through quality assurance in soft drinks and wastewater treatment.

The measuring system with its 4 detectors allows not only nephelometric (90° scatter) measurements and transmittance measurements, but also ratio measurements in which the influences of stray light and sample color are reduced.

Comprehensive AQA functions such as monitoring the calibration interval or password protection for calibration and setup access help to assure the quality of the measurements and are all also included in the documentation of the measurements.

Units come complete with all accessories required for accurate measurements.

Continuous flow-thru measurements are possible up to a pressure of 1 bar with FLOW-THRU-TURB vessel.



## **Ordering Information**

Model		Order No.
Turb 550	Laboratory turbidity meter with universal power supply 90 250 V, 3 calibration standards 0.02 – 10.0 – 1000 NTU, 2 empty cuvettes	600 100
Turb 550 IR	Laboratory turbidity meter for measurements according to DIN EN 27 027, ISO 7027 (EN ISO 7027) universal power supply 90 250 V, 3 calibration standards 0.02 – 10.0 – 1000 NTU, 2 empty cuvettes	600 110
Turb 555	High-end laboratory turbidity meter according to US EPA with universal power supply 90 250 V, 4 calibration standards 0.02 – 10.0 – 100 – 1750 NTU, 3 empty cuvettes	600 200
Turb 555 IR	High-end laboratory turbidity meter according to DIN/ISO (EN ISO 7027) with universal power supply 90 250 V, 4 calibration standards 0.02 – 10.0 – 100 – 1750 NTU, 3 empty cuvettes	600 210
	Flow-thru vessels, calibration standards and other accessories see brochure "Product Details"	

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## Portable Turbidity Meters

### Turb 430 IR



GLP function

Interface RS 232

#### Precise and ergonomic portable turbidity measurement

The portable turbidity meter **Turb 430 IR** belongs to a new generation of instruments: Robust construction, accurate optics and a menu-guided display interface are combined in proven WTW quality.

Years Warranty

The turbidity measurement complies with the demands of the nephelometric measurement (90° scattered light) with infrared light source according to DIN 27027/ ISO 7027. The advantage of the infrared measurement is the fact that proprietary sample colors do not adulterate the measuring results. **Turb 430 IR** can measure from 0 ... 1100 NTU, the result is displayed in NTU and FNU. The measuring range is recognized automatically: measurements in the lower range, e.g. in drinking water are no problem at all!

The comfortable calibration routine runs self-explanatory and menu-driven. A standard set with AMCO<sup>®</sup> standards (0.02 ... 10 ... 1000 NTU), traceable to formazine is supplied.

The regular 3 points calibration can be assured by input of a time interval. Output of calibration data as a calibration protocol is possible via a RS 232 interface (required: AK 540 B cable, order no. 902 842).

#### **Optional: LabStation or rechargable batteries**

The mobile, battery operated Turb 430 IR can be upgraded with the LabStation (Order No. 251 301, see catalog page 91), which offers rechargeable batteries and a charging function and simplifies the laboratory evaluation of the data. Alternatively, a set of rechargeable batteries and universal plug is available (Order No. 251 300, see catalog page 91).



### **Portable Turbidity Meters**

## Turb 355 T / Turb 355 IR

#### The portable turbidity meter: IR and Tungsten models

Battery-operated portable turbidity meter with Tungsten lamp according to US EPA or infrared LED (860 nm) for nephelometric measurements according to ISO 7027 / DIN/ EN 27 027 (EN ISO 7027): Handy, lightweight and easy to operate.

The AutoRange function switches the measuring range automatically. Resolutions are between 0.01 und 1 NTU, depending on the measuring range.

The 1 to 3-point calibration is very convenient for the operator. Pressing the CAL key switches the instrument to the calibration mode. The menu-guided interface easily guides the operator through the calibration process: the operator is prompted to enter and confirm calibration standards in descending order.

The Turb 355 T / IR comes in a handy carrying case. All necessary accessories are included. The instrument is powered by 4 AAA batteries and fulfills IP 67.





#### **Technical Data** Turb 430 IR Turb 355 T / 355 IR Measuring principles Nephelometric (90° scatter) Nephelometric (90° scatter) IR-LED Light source Tungsten lamp/IR-LED Measuring range NTU 0 ... 1100 0 ... 1100 FNU 0 ... 1100 0 ... 1100 0.01 NTU from 1 ... 9.99 0.01 from 0.00 ... 9.99 Resolution 0.1 from 10 ... 99.90 0.1 NTU from 10.0 ... 99.9 from 100 ... 1100 1 NTU from 100 ... 1000 1 Accuracy 0.01 NTU $\pm 2\%$ of value or $\pm 0.01$ last decimal place in range 1 ... 500 NTU ±3% of value in range 500 ... 1100 NTU Reproducibility <0.5% ±1% of value or ±0.01 NTU Calibration Automatic 3 point calibration Automatic 1...3 point calibration **Response time** Approx. 3 seconds 14 seconds Cuvettes 1.10x2.36 in. (28x60 mm), 20 ml sample volume 0.98x1.77 in (25x45 mm), 15 ml sample volume RS 232, USB via adapter Interface 32 ... 122 °F (0 ... +50 °C) 32 ... 122 °F (0 ... +50 °C) Operating temp. Power supply 4 x AA batteries for approx 3,000 measurements 4 micro (AAA) alkaline manganese batteries suitable for more than 1,500 measurements

## **Ordering Information**

Model		Order No.
Turb 355 IR	Portable turbidity meter according to ISO 7027 / DIN EN 27 027 (EN ISO 7027) in professional case with 4 micro (AAA) alkaline manganese batteries, 3 calibration standards 0.02 – 10.0 – 1000 NTU and 2 empty cuvettes	600 311
Turb 355 T	same as Turb 355 IR, but with tungsten lamp according to US EPA	600 312
Turb 430 IR	Portable turbidity measuring instrument for nephelometric measurements (90°) according to DIN EN 27027, incl. calibration kit (0.02 - 10 - 1000), 2 empty cuvettes, cleaning tissues, batteries (4 x AA), suited for drinking water. (Optional LabStation or rechargeable battery pack see brochure "Product Details")	600 320

Software/ Printers

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