ABBE REFRACTOMETERS – AR4 AND AR2008

MEASUREMENTS OF LIQUIDS, PASTES, FOILS AND SOLIDS

The Abbe refractometer was developed around 1869 by Ernst Abbe and was one of the first laboratory instrument for determining the refractive index of liquids. Its measuring principle is based on the total reflection. Thanks to the favourable purchase prices, the easy operation and reliability, it still has a firm presence in the laboratory. With the AR4 and AR2008, A.KRÜSS has two classic Abbe refractometers in its product line. They measure the refractive index nD, the dry substance content in % and the dispersion value nF-nC of liquid, viscous as well as solid samples. As a standard, contact liquid for the optical coupling is included in the delivery for the determination of solids. The scope of delivery also includes a calibration body for the calibration and adjustment, a mains adaptor and a dust cover. For the temperature control, the devices are equipped on both sides on the upper and lower prisma holder with thermostat connections that allow for the temperature control with an external thermostat.

ANALOGUE ABBE REFRACTOMETER

The AR4 determines the refractive index between nD 1.3000– 1.7200 and the sugar content in the range of 0–95 % Brix. The scales can be adjusted manually using the drive knob. The measured value is then read via an eyepiece. The refractometer can be connected to a thermostat, e. g. our circulating thermostat PT31 with Peltier element in order to maintain the temperature at 20 °C or 25 °C. The temperature will be measured with the integrated digital thermometer and shown on the LCD display.





AR4 with circulating thermostat PT31

SCALES	Refractive index (nD), concentration of sucrose [%Brix]
MEASUREMENT RANGE	nD 1,3000–1,7200 0–95%Brix
MEASUREMENT ACCURACY	nD ± 0,0002 ± 0,1 %Brix
SCALE MARKING (RESOLUTION)	nD 0,0005 0,25%Brix
READING ACCURACY	nD 0,0005 0,25%Brix
TEMP. MEASUREMENT RANGE	0–99°C

AR4

ACCURACY OF TEMP. CONTROL	
TEMP. CONTROL RESOLUTION	
TEMP. CONTROL RANGE	
HEATING CAPACITY	
COOLING CAPACITY AT 20°C	
PUMP PRESSURE	
PUMP CAPACITY	
FILLING VOLUME	

PT31

±0.2°C	
0.1 °C	
8–35 °C	
30 W	
20 W	
2000 Pa	
20 l/h	
100 ml	