Attension Sigma
Complete Range of Force Tensiometers

Biolin Scientific
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Attension® Force Tensiometers are used in research, development and quality control for the study of surfaces and interfaces. They will help you to characterize your surfaces easily and precisely, saving you valuable time and money.

The Attension Force Tensiometer offering enables a wide range of applications from advanced research to quick quality control. Thanks to the versatility, you can get the combination of features that best fit your needs.

Application Examples

Surface tension of SDS surfactant solution (A) in water and (B) with porphyrin present. Ref. O.Yaffe, E. Korin and Bettelheim, Langmuir 24 (2008) 11514.

Wetting of lactose with different solvents. Measurement performed by Biolin Scientific.
Attension Force Tensiometers

Technology

The basic principle of every Sigma measurement is to record and analyze the forces exerted onto a probe or solid sample using a sensitive microbalance. The force seen by the balance can be converted into surface tension or interfacial tension when a platinum Du Noüy ring or Wilhelmy plate is used for drawing up the liquid in a meniscus.

In Critical Micelle Concentration (CMC) measurement, the CMC point is determined by measuring surface tension of a solution at different concentrations. Dynamic contact angles are measured by dipping and withdrawing a solid sample into the liquid sample. By measuring contact angles with different liquids, the surface free energy of the solid can be defined. Powder wettability by the Washburn method is calculated by recording the mass uptake of a powder container brought to the liquid level. Adhesion force can be similarly quantified by measuring the force needed to detach a droplet from a solid surface. Sedimentation and liquid density can also be measured.

Attension offers a full range of force tensiometers from fully automatic models to fully manual model. The precision of each measurement is guaranteed by an ultrasensitive microbalance and accurate sample stage movement.

Measurements

Attension Force Tensiometers can measure:

- Surface tension
- Interfacial tension
- Critical micelle concentration (CMC)
- Dynamic contact angle
- Surface free energy (SFE)
- Powder wettability (Washburn)
- Adhesion force
- Sedimentation
- Density

Measurement methods

- Surface tension / interfacial tension with Du Noüy ring, Wilhelmy plate or rod
- Adhesion force for adhesion studies
- CMC for critical micelle concentration measurement
- Sedimentation for sedimentation kinetics
- Dynamic contact angle for advancing and receding angles
- Density for liquid density measurements
- Powder wettability by the Washburn method
Sigma 700 / Sigma 701
- Automation and versatility

Sigma 700/701 are the ultimate Attension force tensiometers enabling full automation and optimal ease of use even for the most demanding industrial and research applications.

Complete range of measurements
- Surface tension
- Interfacial tension
- Critical micelle concentration (CMC)
- Dynamic contact angle
- Surface free energy (SFE)
- Powder wettability (Washburn)
- Adhesion force
- Sedimentation
- Density

Full automation
The system can be fully automated, and measurements can be performed easily with a single click.

Versatility and precision
Sigma 700/701 have full support of all measurement modes. Sigma 700 is optimized for dynamic contact angle with heavy samples and powder wettability, and Sigma 701 is optimized for single fiber dynamic contact angle measurements.

Best-in-class software
OneAttension is an all-inclusive software providing all measurement modes, full automation, easy measurement setup, live results, and the friendliest user interface available.
**Sigma 702 - Standalone**

Sigma 702 is an accurate standalone force tensiometer with automation for quality control and research. With its precise functionality, surface tension and interfacial tension can be measured easily and quickly.

**Accurate measurements of**
- Surface tension
- Interfacial tension
- Critical micelle concentration (CMC) (manual)
- Density

**Automated surface tension and interfacial tension**
The surface tension and interfacial tension can be detected automatically and precisely thanks to the motorized sample stage and the ultrasensitive balance.

**No need for external PC**
Standalone system operated by the keyboard at the instrument – shows the results instantly on a large integrated digital screen. Results can be printed or imported to PC if desired.

**Ease of use**
Simple open design and easy-to-use user interface, guarantees that the instrument is quick to learn and easy to operate.

**Sigma 702ET - Transformer Oil Analyzer**

Sigma 702ET is specifically designed for the quality control of transformer oils. It follows IEC 62961 and ASTM D971 standards to measure the interfacial tension between a transformer oil and water as a quality control measure for the oil.

**Accurate measurements of**
- Interfacial tension between transformer oil and water (IEC 62961 and ASTM D971)
- Surface tension
- Interfacial tension
- Critical micelle concentration (CMC) (manual)
- Density

**Specifically designed for IEC 62961 and ASTM D971**
The embedded software will guide the user throughout the measurement and make sure the measurement is done automatically and in compliance with the standards.

**No need for external PC**
Standalone system operated by the keyboard at the instrument – shows the results instantly on a large integrated digital screen. Results can be printed or imported to PC if desired.

**Ease of use**
Simple open design and easy-to-use user interface, guarantees that the instrument is quick to learn and easy to operate.
 Sigma 703D - Manual

Sigma 703D is an accurate manual standalone force tensiometer for quality control and research. Robust and convenient, it’s the optimal tool for simple surface tension and interfacial tension measurements.

**Accurate measurements of**
- Surface tension
- Interfacial tension
- Critical micelle concentration (CMC) (manual)
- Density

**No need for external PC**
Standalone system operated by the keyboard at the instrument – shows the results instantly on a large integrated digital screen. Results can be printed or imported to PC if desired.

**Ease of use**
Simple open design and easy-to-use user interface, guarantees that the instrument is quick to learn and easy to operate.

Sigma accessories

Attension Sigmas can be complemented with a range of accessories to accommodate a number of applications.

**Probes and related tools**
Such as Platinum Du Noüy ring, Platinum Wilhelmy Plate, Platinum rod (for low volume samples), Powder Wettability containers, Adhesion Force probe, Density probe, Sedimentation probe, calibration tools and ring re-form tool make sure you can utilize your instrument to the maximum. Temperature and pH probes are also available as well as sample holders.

**Temperature control vessels**
For temperature control of the liquid sample are available from -20°C up to 200°C. A gas phase temperature controller can also be used for regulation of the air temperature during measurement.

**CMC dispensers**
For fully automated critical micelle concentration measurements with Sigma 700/701.

**Active vibration isolation system and cabinet**
To eliminate disturbing vibrations and air currents to maximize the precision of the measurements.

For a complete accessory description, please visit www.biolinscientific.com/product/sigma-700-701.
OneAttension software

OneAttension software combines the most intuitive user interface with a high level of functionality. Some of its main features includes:

**Best-in-class user interface**
The most intuitive user interface is the key for OneAttension. The software is easy to learn, and the logical interface allows even complex measurements to be performed with ease.

**Live analysis**
The results are shown real-time during the measurement. You can conveniently monitor your results without the need to switch between measurement and analysis tabs.

**Full automation**
oneAttension supports fully automatic measurements. Powerful recipe manager makes measurement setting convenient and simple.

**Flexibility for every need**
oneAttension has been designed to meet the requirements of almost any applications you may have. You can easily adjust measurement parameters to match your specific application needs.

**Data handling and exporting made simple**
Data analysis, plotting, and statistical analysis can all be done with a few clicks to give you accurate results within seconds. All data can easily be exported further to Excel, for example.

**Optimal for industrial use**
Measurement reports can be created with a few clicks and the user manager conveniently handles all different users – with desired privacy levels.
### Available Measurements

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All specifications are subject to change without notice.

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