





# TriStar II Surface Area and Porosity Analyzer



## Analytical Versatility. High Throughput. Small Footprint.

Surface area and porosity are important physical properties that influence the quality and utility of many materials and products. Therefore it is critically important that these characteristics be accurately determined and controlled.

## High Sample Throughput and Analytical Versatility

The TriStar II is a fully automated, three-station, surface area and porosity analyzer that delivers highquality data at an affordable price. The TriStar II also features a Krypton Option, allowing measurements in a very low surface area range.

## A Small Footprint Packed with Features

- Three analysis ports can operate simultaneously and independently of one another. Three BET surface area measurements can be performed in less than 20 minutes.
- The TriStar II accommodates the use of nitrogen, argon, carbon dioxide, and other non-corrosive gases such as butane, methane, or other light hydrocarbons. A Krypton Option can extend surface area measurements to as low as 0.001 m<sup>2</sup>/g.
- A dedicated P<sub>o</sub> port is standard, allowing the measurement

of saturation pressure on a continuous basis. Saturation pressure can be entered manually, measured continuously, or collected over the sample.

- Incremental or fixed dosing routines prevent overshooting pressure points while minimizing analysis time.
- Free space can be measured, calculated, or manually entered providing maximum flexibility in accommodating special sample types and emphasizing speed when needed. Helium is not required.
- The TriStar II can collect up to 1000 data points. Fine details of the isotherm can be observed and recorded providing high resolution and revealing pore structure details.
- Optional sample preparation devices are available combining flowing gas and/or vacuum with heat to remove atmospheric contaminants, such as water vapor and adsorbed gas, from the surface and pores of the sample.

#### **Tabular and Graphical Reports:**

- Single and multipoint BET surface area
- Total pore volume
- Langmuir surface area and Isotherm reports
- t-Plot
  - Harkins and Jura Thickness Equation
  - Halsey Thickness Equation
  - Carbon STSA
  - Broekhoff-de Boer
  - Kruk-Jaroniec-Sayari
  - BJH adsorption and desorption
  - Standard
  - Kruk-Jaroniec-Sayari correction
- Dollimore-Heal adsorption
  and desorption
- Mesopore
  - Volume and area distributions by pore size
- MP-Method
- HK
- Saito-Foley
- Chang-Yang
- DFT pore size
- DFT surface energy
- Summary Report
- SPC reports
- Validation reports

#### **Operating Software**

The TriStar II Windows interface provides a familiar environment for the user. It is easy to collect, organize, archive, reduce isotherm data, and store standardized



sample information for later use. The reports may be generated to screen, paper, or spreadsheet file. Cut-and-paste graphics, scalable and editable graphs, and customized reports are easily generated.



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In addition to controlling instrument operation, the Windows software also reduces the isotherm data collected during analysis. The reduced data can be reviewed or printed in a variety of easy-tointerpret tabular and graphical reports.

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# **Specifications**

Pressure Measurement	
Absolute	Range: 0 to 950 mmHg • Resolution: Within 0.05 mmHg
	Accuracy: Within 0.1% of full scale • Linearity: < ± 0.1% of span
Relative	P/P <sub>o</sub> range: 0 to 1.0 P/P <sub>o</sub> • Resolution: < 10-4
Analysis	
Specific Surface Area	From 0.01 m²/g, nitrogen unit • From 0.001 m²/g, krypton unit
Total Surface Area	From 0.1 m², nitrogen unit • From 0.01 m², krypton unit
Pore Volume	From 4 × 10-6 cm³/g
Dewar Duration	Up to 40 hours
Adsorptive Gases	
Nitrogen Unit	Nitrogen; argon, carbon dioxide, or other non-corrosive gases; butane, methane, or other light hydrocarbon vapors; Oxygen can also be used only with an appropriate vacuum pump.
Krypton Unit	Same as Nitrogen unit, plus the capability to perform krypton surface area analyses at lower pressures
Environment	
Temperature	10 and 35 °C (50 to 95 °F), operating • 0 to 50 °C (0 to 122 °F), non-operating
Humidity	20 to 80% relative, non-condensing
Physical	
Height	74 cm (29 in.)
Width	40 cm (16 in.)
Depth	51 cm (20 in.)
Weight	37 kg (82 lbs)
Electrical	
Voltage	100/120, 220/240 VAC
Power	150 VA, maximum

\*Due to continuous improvements, specifications are subject to change without notice.

Frequency 50 to 60 Hz



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