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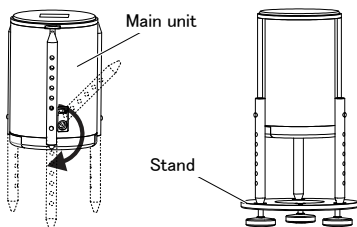


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Quick Manual (using L Beaker as an example)

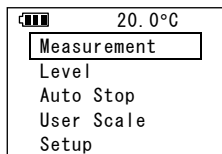
1. Setup (👉 p.9)

- ① Rotate the main unit's legs and position it upright.
- ② Place the main unit on the stand.



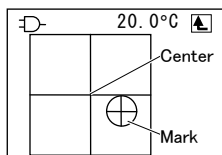
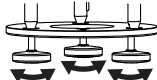
2. Power ON (👉 p.10)

- ① Push the dial button (for at least 0.5 seconds).
The main menu screen will be displayed.



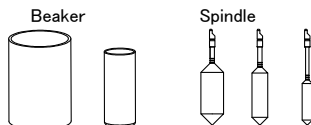
3. Level Check (👉 p.12)

- ① Use the screws at the base of the stand to adjust the level. Align the mark with the center of the screen.



4. Spindle and Beaker Selection (👉 from p.42)

- ① Refer to the "Maximum Measurement Values Guideline Chart" and select the most suitable spindle and beaker for your application.

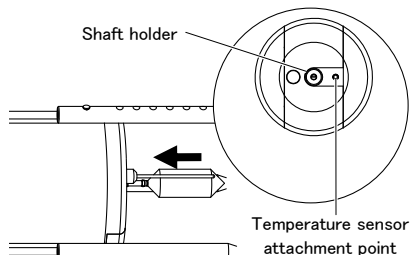


5. Spindle and Temperature Sensor Preparation

Sensor Preparation (👉 from p.14)

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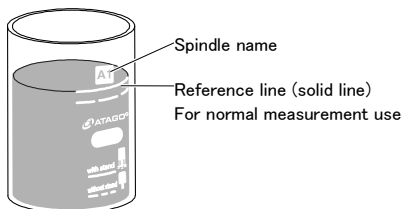
- ① Attach the spindle and the temperature sensor to the main unit.



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6. Sample Preparation (👉 p.15)

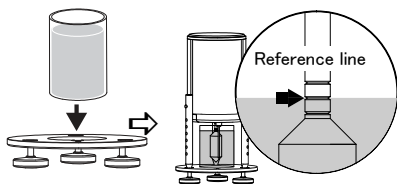
- ① Pour the sample in the beaker.



memo Reference lines may not be present on some beakers.

7. Beaker Setup (👉 p.16)

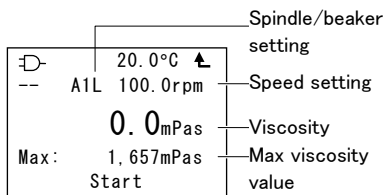
- ① Attach the beaker to the stand.
- ② Place the main unit on the stand.
- ③ Check that the surface of the sample is level with the spindle's reference line.



8. Settings (👉 p.17)

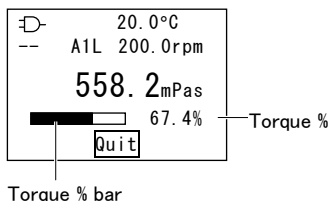
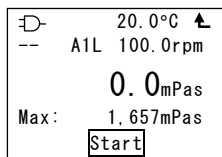
- ① Set the spindle/beaker type and speed.

memo For your convenience, "Auto Stop" (👉 p.25), "User Scale" (👉 p.27), and "Moving Average" (👉 p.33) functions are available.



9. Measurement (👉 p.18)

- ① Select "Start" to begin measurement. Measurement values will be displayed.
- ② Select "Quit" to terminate measurement.



memo Cleaning (👉 p.24)

memo Basic Settings (👉 p.31)

Measurement Tips

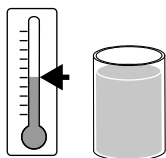
How can I obtain stable measurement values?



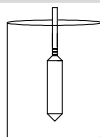
For stable measurement values, always perform measurements under the same conditions.

Changes in viscosity may occur due to varying conditions.

Sample Temperature

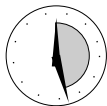


Spindle and Beaker Combination

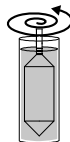


memo Measurement values may differ depending on the distance between the spindle and the beaker.

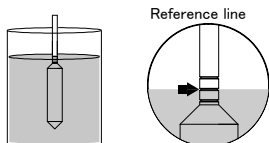
Measurement Time



Speed



Sample Amount



memo Check that the surface of the sample is level with the spindle's reference line.

Measurement Tips

Which beaker and spindle should I choose?

Which speed setting should I select?



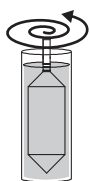
Low

← Sample Viscosity →

High



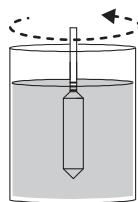
The sample does not readily dribble out even when turned upside-down.



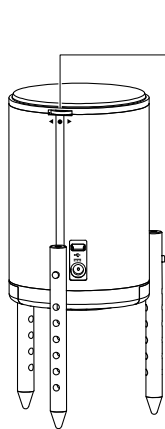
Higher.....Speed.....Lower

Wider.....Spindle.....Thinner

15mL.....Beaker.....100mL



Dial Button Operation

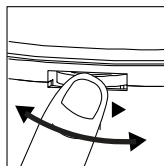



Posterior Illustration

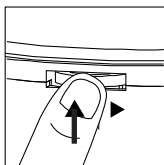



Dial button

Operation



Slide (will be indicated by )
throughout this manual)
Slide the dial button to change
settings and item selections.



Push (will be indicated by )
throughout this manual)
Push the dial button to power the
instrument ON/OFF.
Use to confirm settings and item
selections.

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1 Introduction

1-1 Important Information



Thank you for purchasing VISCO/VISCO-895. Before using the instrument, read this instruction manual carefully. Keep this manual on hand for future reference.

Pay particular attention to the "Safety Information" section, as understanding the contents is necessary for safe operations.




1-2 Safety Information

Please read and understand the following safety instructions to ensure safe use of the instrument. Failure to do so could result in injury and/or damage. The definitions of the icons and symbols can be found below.

Explanation of Icons





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|  WARNING | If this indication is neglected and the instrument is handled incorrectly, serious injury and death may result. |
|  CAUTION | If this indication is neglected and the instrument is handled incorrectly, injury and damage to one's property may result. |

Explanation of Symbols





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|  | This symbol denotes an item that you are warned or cautioned of (a warning item). The contents are described in detail in or near the Δ . |
|  | This symbol denotes an action that must not be performed (a prohibited item). The contents are described in detail in or near the \bigcirc . |
|  | This symbol denotes an action that must be performed (an action item). The contents are described in detail in or near the \bullet . |

Instrument Handling and Maintenance

WARNING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• When measuring a substance harmful to the human body, be well aware of its properties and wear protective gloves, mask, etc.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the instrument begins to smell abnormally, overheat, or emit smoke, turn off the power switch and disconnect the power plug immediately. Continued use of the instrument may result in fire or malfunction. Contact your ATAGO distributor for an inspection.  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not attempt to repair, modify, or disassemble the instrument yourself. Improper servicing may result in fire, electrical shock, or burns.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If the instrument is dropped or is subjected to a strong shock, contact ATAGO or an Authorized ATAGO Service Center nearby for an inspection. Continued use of the instrument may result in fire or malfunction.  |

CAUTION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not apply water or sample over any part of the instrument. This may result in a malfunction.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Always turn off the power switch after use.  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• When transporting the instrument, place it in its original box. Always attach the protective cap to the shaft holder.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not place excessive force or undue stress on the shaft holder. This may cause damage to the shaft holder.  |
- Carefully read this instruction manual and fully understand the function and operation of each part of the instrument before use.
 - Check that each part of the instrument operates normally before use.
 - Perform the necessary operation checks, such as calibration, according to the instruction manual.
 - ATAGO shall not be held responsible for any or all damages as a result of use of the instrument for those other than its intended purposes (viscosity measurement of liquid samples).
 - ATAGO shall not be held responsible for any or all undesired effects on the consumption or application of the measured materials that may occur as a result of use of the instrument.
 - Only use the specified battery type. Observe proper polarities, properly aligning the anodes and cathodes.
 - Remove the batteries and store them in the carrying case during air transport.

Plug Handling and Maintenance

WARNING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be sure to use the AC adapter included with the instrument. If an AC adaptor other than the one included is used, the rated voltage and polarity of the power may be different and may cause smoke or fire. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not insert the plug of the AC adapter in an outlet other than AC100 to 240V. Inserting the plug in any other outlet may result in short circuiting the instrument, smoke or fire. |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not use the AC adapter if damaged or broken. Using a damaged AC adapter may result in fire, electrical shock, or burns. | |
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CAUTION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not insert or disconnect the plug with wet hands. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be sure to hold and gently pull the plug when disconnecting the cable from the outlet. Yanking or pulling the cable improperly may damage the plug and result in fire or electrical shock. |
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1-3 Precautions

Ambient Conditions

- Use the instrument at an altitude below 2,000 m (above sea level).
- Use the instrument indoors.
- Use the instrument on a flat and level surface such as a desk or table.
- Use the instrument where the temperature is between 10 to 40°C.
- Do not leave the instrument in a location exposed to direct sunlight or near a heating unit where the temperature may rise.
- Do not expose the instrument to sudden temperature changes.
- Do not place the instrument in a place where it may be subject to strong vibrations.
- Do not use the instrument where there is much dust.
- Do not leave the instrument where the temperature is extremely low.
- Do not leave the instrument in a humid place.
- Do not place or drop heavy objects on the instrument.
- Use the instrument under temperature conditions where relative humidity is 80% at 31°C or lower, decreasing linearly to 50% at 40°C.
- Main power supply voltage fluctuation should not exceed $\pm 10\%$ of the nominal voltage.
- Transient voltage: IEC Installation Category (Overvoltage Category) II
- Pollution degree: 2 (IEC60664)

Handling

- Do not drop the instrument or subject it to any strong shock.
- Cables may be damaged if mishandled in any of the following manner:
 - Bending the cable.
 - Pulling the cable.
 - Placing the cable under heavy objects.
 - Placing the cable between heavy objects.

Daily Maintenance

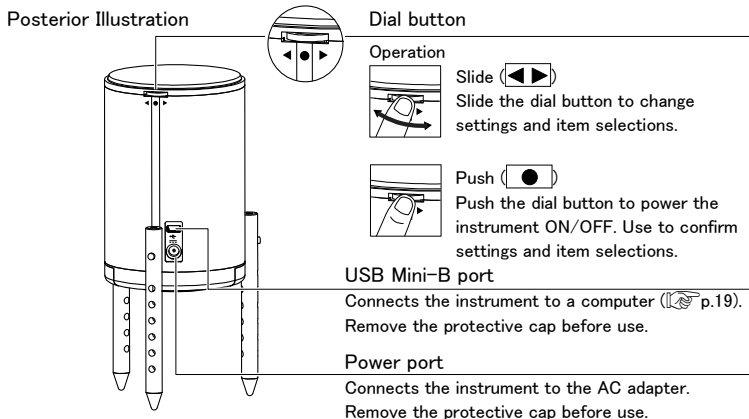
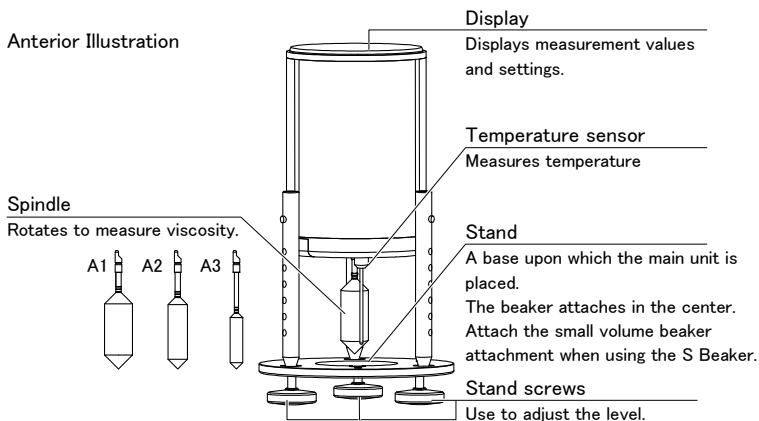
- Thoroughly clean the spindles, beakers and temperature sensor, then dry them well.
- If the instrument becomes dirty, wipe with a soft cloth.
- Do not use benzine, paint thinner, etc. to clean the instrument.

2 Instrument

2-1 Content

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| Main unit..... | 1 | S Beaker (15mL)..... | 1 | Instruction manual (this book) ... | 1 |
| Stand..... | 1 | L Beaker (100mL)..... | 1 | Inspection certificate | 1 |
| Spindles (A1, A2 and A3)..... | one each | AC adapter..... | 1 | Spindle stand..... | 1 |
| Temperature sensor..... | 1 | USB Mini-B cable (1m)..... | 1 | Protective cap..... | 1 |
| Small volume beaker attachment..... | 1 | 1.5V AA alkaline batteries..... | 4 | Carrying case..... | 1 |

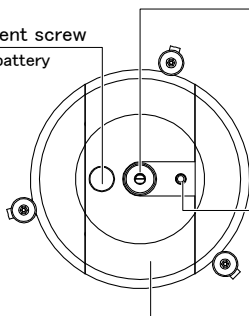
2-2 Names and Functions of Components



Underside Illustration (main unit)

Battery compartment screw

Turn to remove the battery compartment cover.



Shaft holder

The spindle attaches here.

Remove the protective cap before use.

Note Do not place excessive force or undue stress on the shaft holder. This may cause damage to the shaft holder.

Temperature sensor attachment point

The temperature sensor attaches here.

Battery compartment

Remove the cover to insert and replace batteries.



S Beaker (15mL)

Place sample in this container.



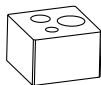
L Beaker (100mL)

Place sample in this container.



Small volume beaker attachment

Attach the small volume beaker attachment to the stand when using the S Beaker.



Spindle stand

Insert the spindle and store upright.




Protective cap

Always attach the protective cap to the shaft holder when storing the instrument in the carrying case.

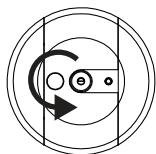
memo Remove the battery compartment cover to attach/detach the protective cap.

2-3 Inserting the Batteries (when using batteries as a power source)

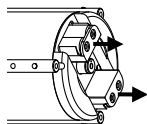
Note

- When  is indicated, replace all batteries with brand new AA alkaline batteries (x 4).
- Check the expiration dates on batteries before purchase. Always use only brand new batteries.
- Do not place the display-side of the instrument facedown. This may result in damage to the display.

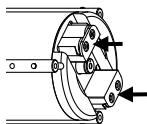
1. Turn the battery compartment screw in the direction of the arrow (counterclockwise). Remove the battery compartment cover.



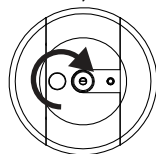
2. Gently pull out the battery case and insert the batteries.



3. Insert the battery case.

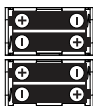


4. Affix the battery compartment cover and push it in, while turning the battery compartment screw in the direction of the arrow (clockwise).



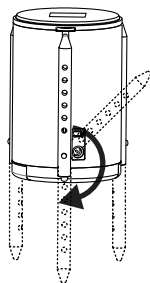
Note

Insert the batteries, observing the correct polarities.

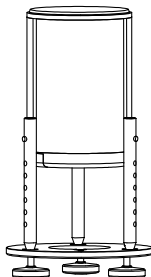


2-4 Setup

1. Rotate the main unit's legs and position it upright.



2. Place the main unit on the stand.




Note Insert the legs into the grooves on the stand.

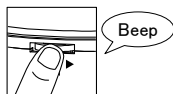
Note Subjecting the shaft holder to sudden shock or excessive force may result in damage and malfunction. Always rotate the instrument's legs and keep the instrument in an upright position, except when storing it in its protective case.

2-5 Power ON/OFF

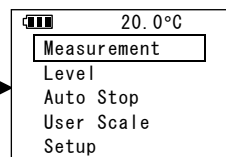
Power ON

When using an external power source, connect the AC adapter to an indoor AC100 to 240V (50Hz/60Hz) power outlet.

 Push for 0.5 seconds.




[Startup Screen]
(The soft ver. is for example.)



[Main Menu Screen]

Power OFF

 Push for at least 3 seconds.



The display will turn off.

memo When using batteries as a power source, the instrument will automatically power OFF after 5 minutes of inactivity.


2-6 Displays


After the startup screen appears, the main menu screen will be displayed.

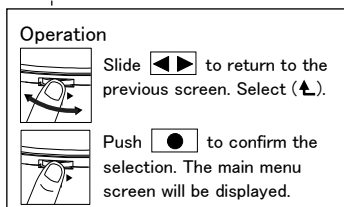
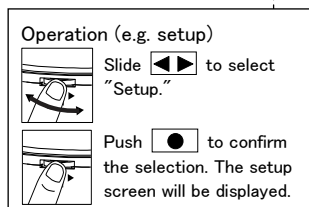
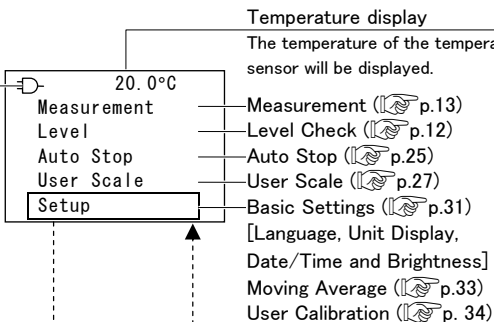
[Main Menu Screen]

From the main menu screen, you can switch the display between measurement, level check and setup.

Remaining battery charge/External power supply indicator

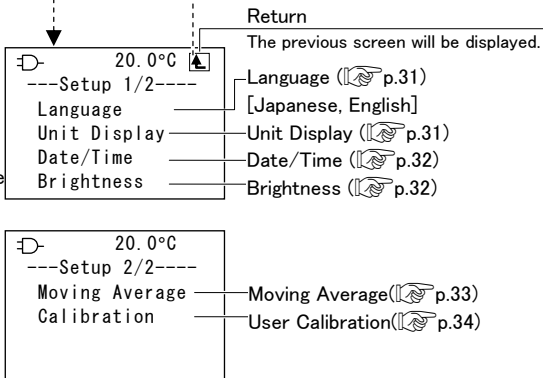
Battery power source: remaining battery charge indicator  will be displayed.

External power source:  will be displayed.



[Setup Screen]

From the setup screen, you can switch the display between basic settings, moving average and user calibration.

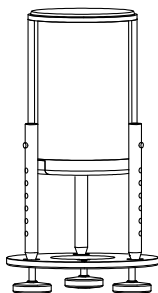


memo After 30 seconds of inactivity, the brightness level will auto-adjust to "1."

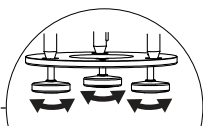
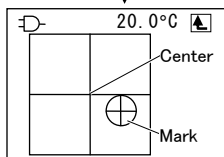
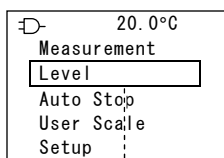
2-7 Level Check

Use the stand screws to adjust the level of the main unit.

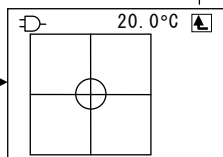
Setup (👉 p.9)



[Main Menu Screen]



Use the stand screws to adjust the level. Align the mark with the center of the screen.

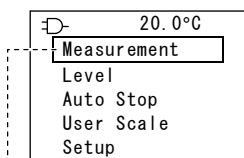


3 Measurement

- Note**
- Ensure that the main unit, spindle, temperature sensor, beaker and sample are fully acclimated to the ambient temperature before taking measurements.

3-1 Measurement Screen

[Main Menu Screen]



[Measurement Screen]

Moving Average (Icon p.33)

An icon will be displayed when this function is on.

ON:

OFF: Not displayed.

Auto Stop (Icon p.25)

An icon will be displayed when this function is on.

ON: (Viscosity), (Torque), (Time)

OFF: Not displayed.

Remaining battery charge/External power supply indicator

Battery power source: remaining battery charge indicator will be displayed.

External power source: will be displayed.

User Scale (Icon p.27)

ON/OFF is displayed.

Set ON/OFF.

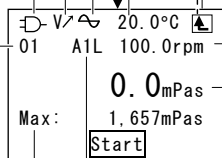
ON: 01 to 10 (Scale Number)

OFF: ---

Max viscosity value

The max viscosity value is displayed.

memo This indicates the max viscosity value that can be measured with the selected spindle/beaker and speed combination.



Temperature

The temperature of the temperature sensor is displayed.

Return

The main menu screen will be displayed.

Speed

The speed is displayed.
The speed can be set.

Viscosity

The viscosity is displayed.

Start

Select "Start" to begin measurement.

Spindle/Beaker

The spindle and beaker combination is displayed.

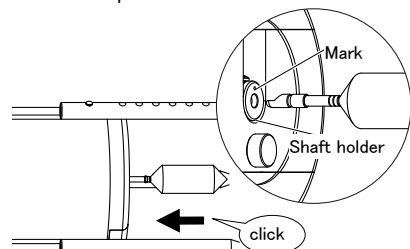
3-2 Measurement Procedures

Before taking measurements, refer to the "Maximum Measurement Values Guideline Chart" and select the most suitable spindle and beaker for your application.

(☞ from p.42)

3-2-1 Spindle Preparation

Attach the spindle to the main unit.

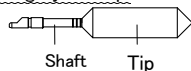


Note Insert the spindle all the way until you hear a faint "click."



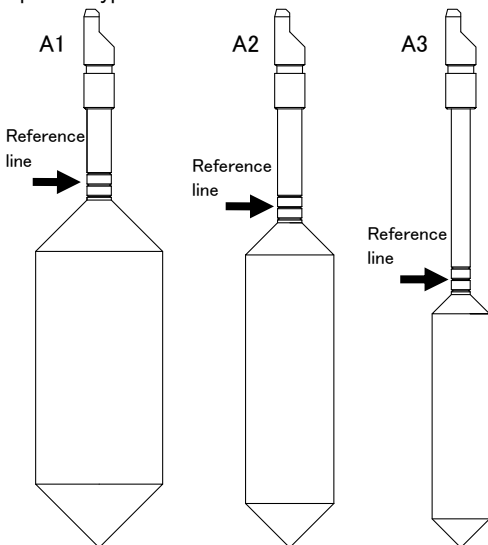
Note Do not forcefully insert the spindle. Do not insert the spindle at an angle. Subjecting the shaft holder to excessive force may cause damage.

Note Do not grab or hold the spindle by the tip with bare hands. Grasp the shaft to insert the spindle. Wrap the spindle in tissue paper if grabbing or holding by the tip.

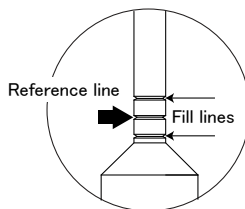


memo Remove the protective cap.

Spindle Types

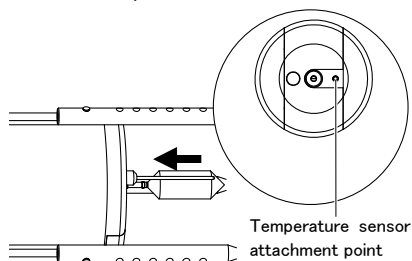


Note The reference line is between the fill lines.



3-2-2 Temperature Sensor Preparation

Attach the temperature sensor to the main unit (Cannot be used with S beaker).

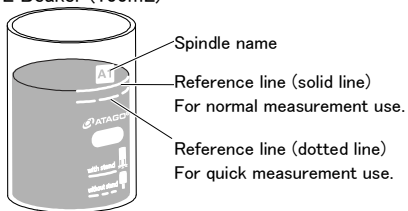


Note Insert the temperature sensor all the way until you hear a faint "click."

3-2-3 Sample Preparation

1. Pour some sample in the beaker up to the reference line.*

L Beaker (100mL)

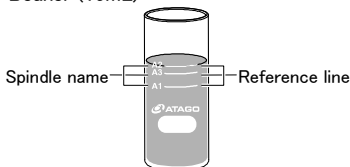


Note The reference line most suited to your application depends on the type of spindle that is used.

Note A reference line for normal measurements and a reference line for quick measurements are present only on the L Beaker.

Note Make sure that no air bubbles are trapped in the sample.

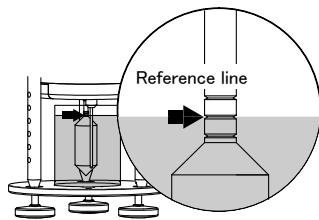
S Beaker (15mL)



memo The illustration is for reference only and may differ from the actual product.

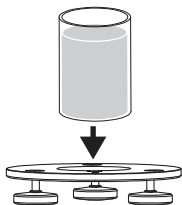
*If reference lines are not present on the beaker:

Align the surface of the sample with the spindle's reference line.



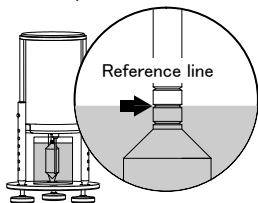
3-2-4 Beaker Setup

1. Attach the beaker to the stand.



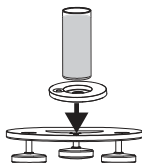
Note Firmly attach the beaker, ensuring there are no spaces or gaps between the beaker and the stand.

2. Place the main unit on the stand. Check that the surface of the sample is level with the spindle's reference line.



If using the S Beaker:

Attach the small volume beaker adapter to the stand. Then, attach the beaker.



Note Firmly attach the small volume beaker adapter and beaker, ensuring there are no spaces or gaps between them and the stand.

Note Be sure that the spindle and temperature sensor do not come in contact with the beaker.

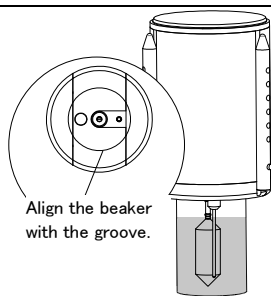
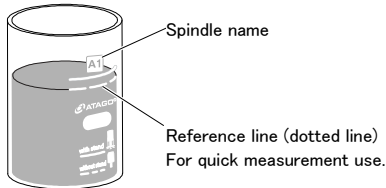
Note Make sure that no air bubbles are trapped in the sample. If air bubbles are present, let the sample sit and settle in order to remove the air bubbles.

Quick Measurements (accuracy not guaranteed)

Quick and easy measurements can be taken by placing the main unit directly on the L Beaker.

Note Quick measurements can only be taken with the L Beaker.

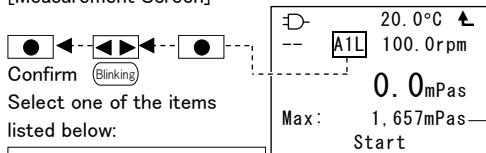
Note Pour some sample in the beaker up to the quick measurement reference line.



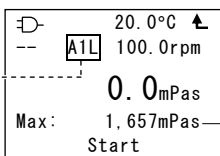
3-2-5 Spindle/Beaker Settings

This section explains how to set the spindle/beaker combination.

[Measurement Screen]



| Item | Spindle | Beaker |
|------|---------|---------|
| A1S | A1 | S:15mL |
| A1L | A1 | L:100mL |
| A2S | A2 | S:15mL |
| A2L | A2 | L:100mL |
| A3S | A3 | S:15mL |
| A3L | A3 | L:100mL |
| UL | - | - |



Max viscosity value

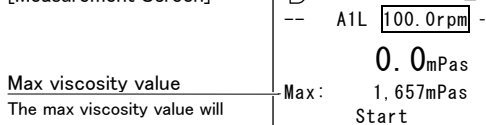
The max viscosity value will change every time the combination is switched.

(memo) Select UL when using Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)–Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample (sold separately).

3-2-6 Speed Settings

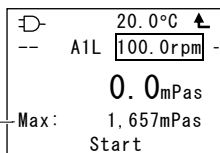
(memo) Settings can be changed even during measurement.

[Measurement Screen]



Max viscosity value

The max viscosity value will change every time the speed is switched.






Select one of the speeds listed below:

0.5, 0.6, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50, 60, 100, 150, 200, 250 rpm




(memo) Select 2.5rpm or more when using Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)–Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample (sold separately).

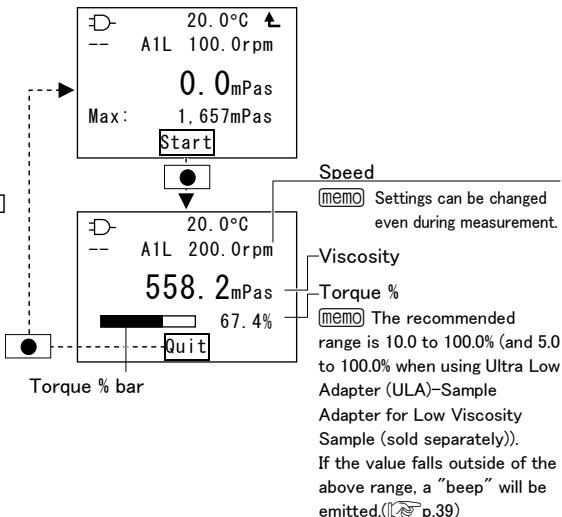
3-2-7 Measurement

[Measurement Screen]

Slide   to select "Start," then push  to confirm the selection and begin measurement.

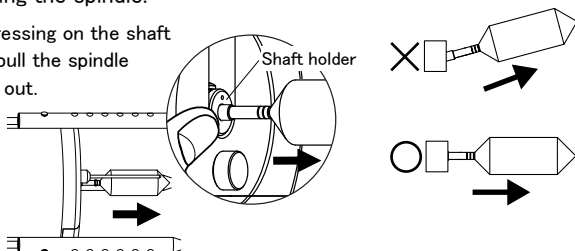
[Screen During Measurement]

Slide   to select "Quit," then push  to confirm the selection and terminate measurement.



Removing the spindle:

While pressing on the shaft holder, pull the spindle straight out.



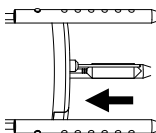
If changing the spindle:

1. Remove the spindle and temperature sensor.
2. Attach the spindle you wish to use and the temperature sensor. Be sure to wash the temperature sensor before re-attaching (p.14).

Note Make sure no sample residue is left on the shaft holder or temperature sensor attachment point.

Note If sample residue is present on the spindle and temperature sensor, wash them thoroughly.

Note After changing the spindle, check that the surface of the sample is level with the spindle's reference line.



3-3 Computer Output

The instrument outputs measurement results in real-time via USB Mini-B.

3-3-1 Driver Installation

To have the instrument recognized by the PC, download a FTDI driver on the PC from the link below:

※ Install the virtual COM port (VCP) driver.

<http://www.ftdichip.com/FTDrivers.htm>

1. Ensure that the PC has started up completely.
2. Connect the cable to the instrument (see the posterior illustration on page 7, “Names and Functions of Components”) and the PC.

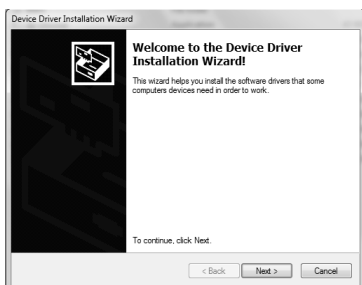


USB type A (left) and USB type Mini-B (right)

3. Turn the instrument on.

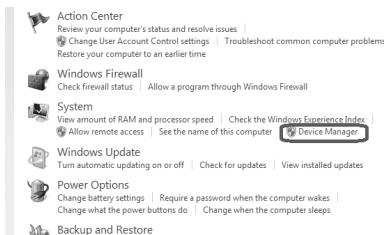
Installation instructions are as follows (Windows 7 is used as an example):

4. “Device Driver Installation Wizard” will pop up.
5. Once the driver installation is complete, the instrument is recognized by the PC.

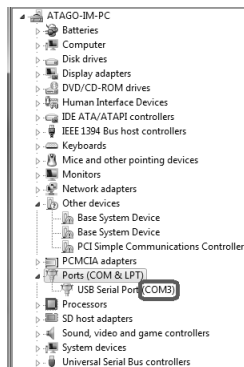


6. From "Control Panel," open "System and Security."

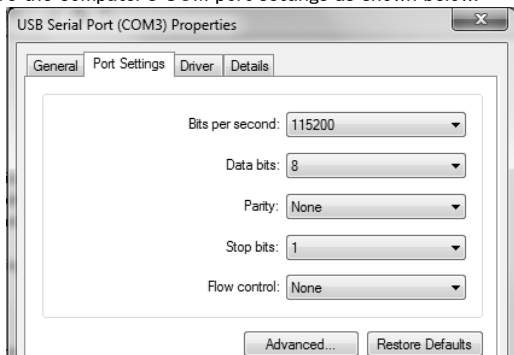
Click on "Device Manager," under "System."



7. From the "Device Manager" options, click "Ports." Ensure that USB Serial Port (COM#) appears. Check the port number. In the example shown below, the port is COM3.



8. Click "USB Serial Port(COM"*).". From the "USB Serial Port(COM"*) Properties" window, configure the computer's COM port settings as shown below.



Note The port number may vary, depending on the PC and other connecting devices.

※ Windows 98, Windows 2000, Windows Me, Windows XP, Windows Vista, and Windows 7, Windows 8 and Windows 10 are registered trade marks of Microsoft Corporation in the United States and other countries.

3-3-2 Computer – Data Setting

Download Tera Term from a website, such as the one below:

<http://tssh2.sourceforge.jp/index.html>

1. Start Tera Term.

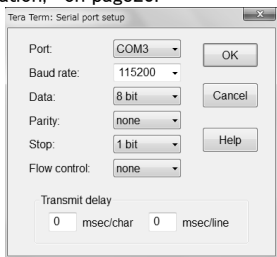
Select "Serial," and select the port number, which was confirmed in step 7 of "Driver Installation," on page 20, from the "Port:" drop-down menu.



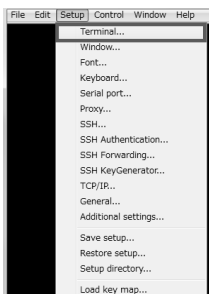
2. Click "Setup," and then "Serial port."



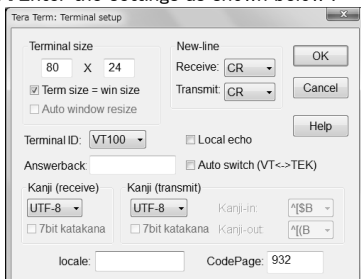
3. In the "Serial port setup" dialog box, enter the settings as shown below for the port number selected in step 7 of "Driver Installation," on page 20.



4. Click "Setup," and then "Terminal."



5. Enter the settings as shown below .



3-3-3 Data Output From Instrument to PC

Begin measurement.

Every time a measurement is taken (every time the spindle rotates), a new row of data appears in the Tera Term window.

- Data is output in ASCII code.
- Each item is separated by a comma.

[Data Display]

04/13/16,15:41:24,251.8,251.8,341.8,341.8,2037,mPas,12.4,12.4,27.9,degC,A2S,60.0,
Constant,1,01,10.0,20.0,30.0,100.0,110.0,120.0,-1.276756e-15,1.000000e+00,9.000000e+01

| Data Display | Item | Item Detail |
|--------------|------------------------------|---|
| 04/13/16 | Date | MM/DD/YY (Under Japanese language settings, the date will be displayed in the format "YY/MM/DD") |
| 15:41:24 | Time | HH:MM:SS |
| 251.8 | Viscosity | |
| 251.8 | Moving Average Viscosity | |
| 341.8 | User Scale Viscosity | |
| 341.8 | User Scale Average Viscosity | |
| 2037 | Max Viscosity | |
| mPas | Unit readout (viscosity) | mPa·s / cP |
| 12.4 | Torque % | |
| 12.4 | Moving Average Torque % | |
| 27.9 | Temperature | |
| deg C | Unit readout (temperature) | deg C / deg F (Under Japanese language settings, the temperature unit readout can be displayed in either "°C" or "°F") |
| A2S | Spindle/beaker combination | |
| 60.0 | Speed | rpm |

| Data Display | Item | Item Detail |
|---------------|---|--|
| Constant | Motor status | Constant, Acceleration or Deceleration |
| 1 | Moving Average Function ON/OFF | 0 : Moving average function is off. 1: Moving average function is on. |
| 01 | User Scale Function ON/OFF and Scale Number | -- : User scale function OFF 01 to10: Scale Number (User scale function ON) |
| 10.0 | X1 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 1 on this device) |
| 20.0 | X2 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 2 on this device) |
| 30.0 | X3 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 3 on this device) |
| 100.0 | Y1 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 1 on another viscometer) |
| 110.0 | Y2 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 2 on another viscometer) |
| 120.0 | Y3 | User Scale Input Value (Measurement Value 3 on another viscometer) |
| -1.276756e-15 | a | "a" in user scale conversion equation $v=ax^2+bx+c$ |
| 1.000000e+00 | b | "b" in user scale conversion equation $v=ax^2+bx+c$ |
| 9.000000e+01 | c | "c" in user scale conversion equation $v=ax^2+bx+c$ |
| | Line terminator | CR LF |

3-3-4 Saving Data and Disconnecting

Follow the instructions on saving files in Windows and Tera Term to save data.
Close Tera Term to end communication.

4 Cleaning

4-1 Main Unit

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| Note | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disconnect all the cables and power OFF the instrument.• Place the protective cap on the shaft holder after use.• Subjecting the shaft holder to sudden shock or excessive force may result in damage and malfunction. Always rotate the instrument's legs and keep the instrument in an upright position, except when storing it in its protective case. |
|-------------|---|

Gently wipe off the instrument using the cleaning methods outlined below:


- A soft, dry cloth, such as a lens or microfiber cloth.
- A cloth moistened with mild soap or ethyl alcohol.

4-2 Spindles

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| Note | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wash the spindles after every use.• When using highly volatile or flammable solvents, be sure to wear appropriate protective clothing, such as gloves, masks, etc. |
|-------------|---|

- Wash the instrument with lukewarm water.
- Use mild soap, ethyl alcohol, or acetone when necessary.

5 Error Messages




- HHH : [Viscosity] This error message will appear if the torque value exceeds 100%.
(Refer to the "Abnormal Measurement Values"  p.39)
- [Temperature] This error message will appear if the temperature exceeds 105.0°C (221.0°F).
- LLL : [Temperature] This error message will appear if the temperature is below -5.0°C (27.0°F).
It will also appear if the temperature sensor is not attached.

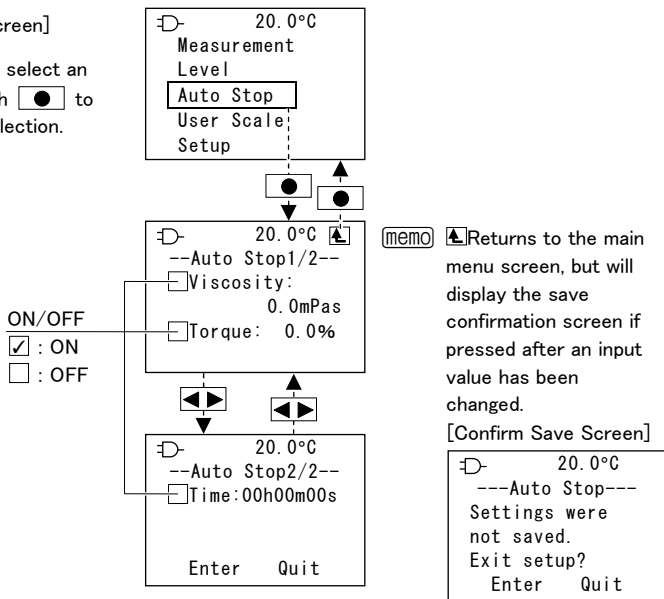
6 Auto Stop

This function will automatically stop taking measurements when a set value is reached. This effectively measures the viscosity and torque % of a sample that changes over time by displaying a measurement value once it has stabilized. The set value can be selected from viscosity, torque, or time.

6-1 Screen Display

[Main Menu Screen]

Slide   to select an item, then push  to confirm the selection.



6-2 Auto Stop ON/OFF and Setting Value Input

This section explains the auto stop function using viscosity as an example.

[Auto Stop Screen]

Slide to select Visc, then push to check the box.

Slide to select viscosity value, then push to continue to the input screen.

← →: use the arrows to move the cursor.

Back: select "Back" to delete the value to the left of the cursor.

To turn off the auto stop function, uncheck the selection item boxes.

Select "Quit" to discard settings and return to the auto stop screen.

Values up to 1 decimal place can be input.

Save Exit without saving

[Main Menu Screen]

[Main Menu Screen]

Inputting a time duration

7 User Scale

This function allows the VISCO to display the same measurement values as a B-Type viscometer or other viscometer type.

A user scale is created for each sample.

The relationship between the measurement value from other viscometers (y) and the VISCO (x) is $y = ax^2+bx+c$

By inputting the viscosity measured by this device and another viscometer at three different speeds, the VISCO will automatically calculate the conversion factors a, b, and c.

- A maximum of 10 user scales can be saved.
- Turning the User Scale Function ON/OFF or selecting a Scale Number can be done from the measurement screen.

7-1 Preparation

Choose three speeds that will each be used by the VISCO and the other viscometer.

Prepare the measurement sample.

Measure the sample at all three speeds with the VISCO and the other viscometer.

The measurement value to enter into the VISCO is the value at which it stabilizes.

Note Ensure that the sample temperatures are the same.

[Example]




| Scale Number: 01 | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Sample: A | | | |
| Speed Number | Speed [rpm] | Viscosity[mPa·s] | |
| | | The VISCO's Measurement Value (X) | Other Viscometer's Measurement Value (Y) |
| 1 | 30 | 5449 | 5810 |
| 2 | 50 | 4451 | 4763 |
| 3 | 60 | 4157 | 4400 |

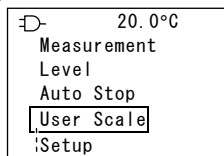
7-2 Creating a User Scale

This section will explain how to create an example Scale Number 01.

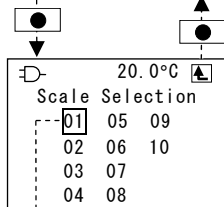
7-2-1 Screen Display

[Main Menu Screen]

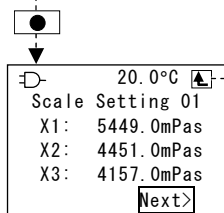
Slide   to select an item, then push  to confirm the selection.





[Scale Setting Screen]

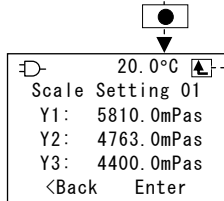


[Scale Setting (X) Screen]

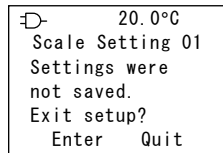


  returns to the main menu screen, but will display the save confirmation screen if pressed after an input value has been changed.

[Scale Setting(Y) Screen]



[Save Confirmation Screen]



7-2-2 Viscosity Input

[Scale Selection Screen]

Slide to select a scale number, then push to confirm the selection.

20.0°C

Scale Selection

01 05 09

02 06 10

03 07

04 08



[Scale Setting (X) Screen]

Input the three measurement values from the VISCO. Slide to select an item, then push to continue to the input screen.

20.0°C

Scale Setting 01

X1: 5449.0mPas

X2: 4451.0mPas

X3: 4157.0mPas

Next >

[Input Screen]

20.0°C

4157.0

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

9 0 . ← Back

Enter Quit



[Scale Setting (Y) Screen]

Input the three measurement values from the other viscometer. Slide to select an item, then push to continue to the input screen.

20.0°C

Scale Setting 01

Y1: 5810.0mPas

Y2: 4763.0mPas

Y3: 4400.0mPas

<Back Enter

[Input Screen]

20.0°C

4400.0

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

9 0 . ← Back

Enter Quit

[Scale Setting (X) Screen]

<Back Save

[Main Menu Screen]

About the input screen

20.0°C

4157.0

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

9 0 . ← Back

Enter Quit

Input Field

Slide to select a number value, then push to input it.
 ← →: use the arrows to move the cursor.

Back: select "Back" to delete the value to the left of the cursor.

memo Select "Quit" to cancel settings and return to the Scale Setting screen.

memo Values up to 1 decimal place can be input.




Note Turning the user scale function ON/OFF and selecting a scale number is done from the measurement screen (see p.30).

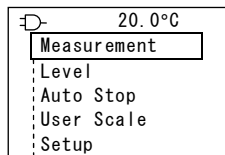
Note If attempting to input the same viscosity for X1, X2, X3, a beeping sound will indicate that this setting is invalid.

If attempting to input the same viscosity for Y1, Y2, Y3, a beeping sound will indicate that this setting is invalid.

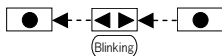
7-2-3 User Scale ON/OFF and Scale Number Settings

[Main Menu Screen]

Slide   to select an item, then push  to confirm the selection.

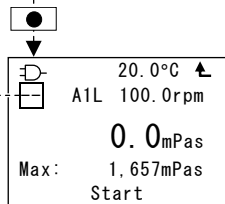


[Measurement Screen]



ON :01 to 10
 (Scale Number)

OFF : --

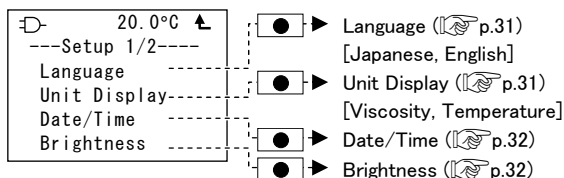


8 Basic Settings (setup)

This section explains how to configure language, unit display, date/time and brightness settings.

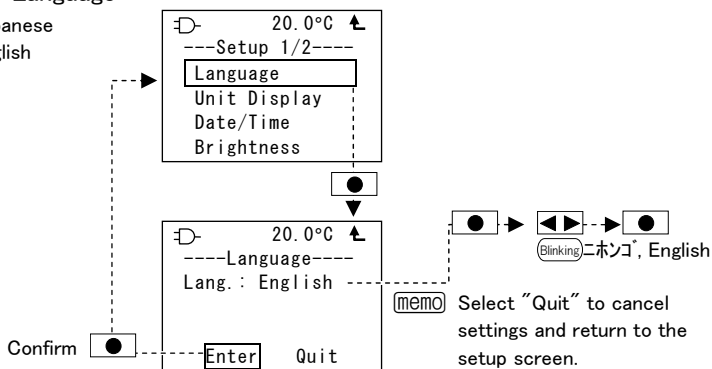
8-1 Setup Screen

Slide to select an item, then push to confirm.



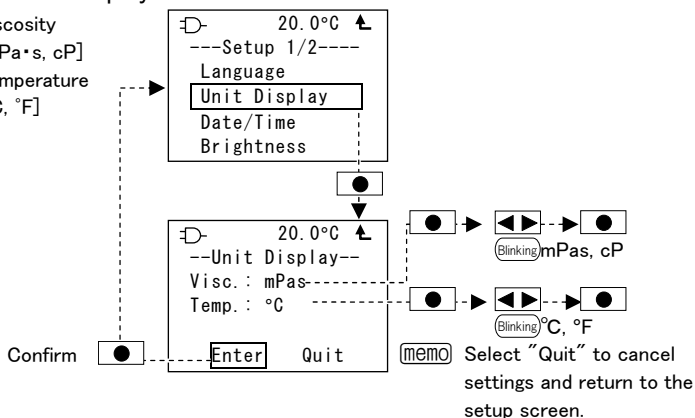
8-1-1 Language

Japanese
English



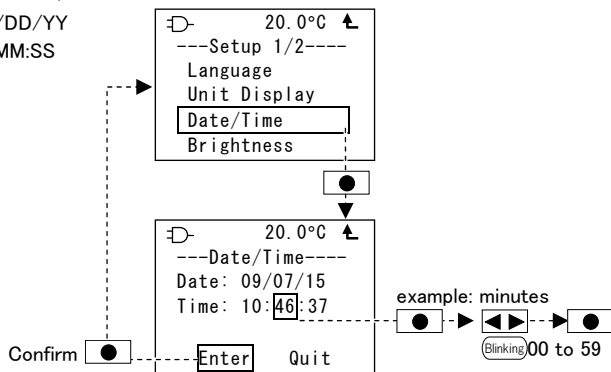
8-1-2 Unit Display

Viscosity
[mPa·s, cP]
Temperature
[°C, °F]



8-1-3 Date/Time

MM/DD/YY
HH:MM:SS

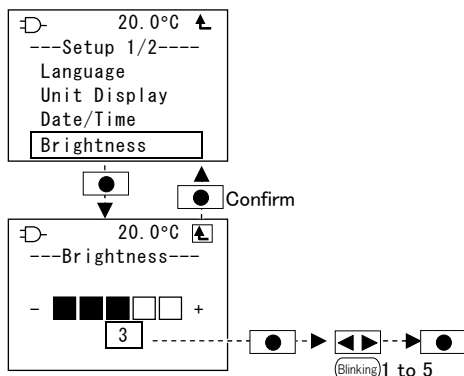


MEMO Select "Quit" to cancel settings and return to the setup screen.

MEMO "Beeping" tones will be emitted when an error occurs. Content containing errors will be indicated by flashing.

8-1-4 Brightness

5 levels



MEMO Level 1 is the dimmest setting, level 5 is the brightest.

9 Moving Average




Effective for reducing inconsistent display values when measuring samples that do not show a stable measurement value.


Displays the average (viscosity and torque %) of the 5 most recent readings.

For the first 4 readings, displays the average of the measurement values taken so far.

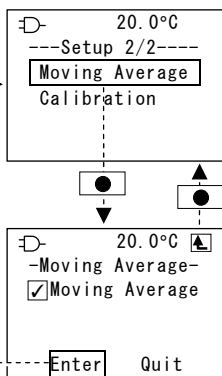
9-1 Moving Average ON/OFF

[Setup Screen (Setup 2/2)]

Slide   to select an item, then push  to confirm the selection.

Push  to check the box.


Confirm 



memo To turn off the moving average function, uncheck the selection item box.

memo Select "Quit" to discard settings and return to the setup 2/2 screen.

10 User Calibration


The instrument can be calibrated with standard liquid (1 point calibration). Select one standard liquid from among the following: JS200, JS500, JS1000, or JS2000 (refer to "Optional Accessories and Replacement Parts,"  p.41).

If abnormal measurement values occur, perform the following checks as illustrated below.

10-1 Troubleshooting Tips

See "Abnormal Measurement Values" on p.39.

Measure standard liquid (p.13)

 Check the viscosity of the standard liquid by using the temperature conversion chart included with the standard liquid as reference.

Viscosity will differ, depending on the temperature.

Within accuracy range→Normal

Outside accuracy range



Perform user calibration (p.35)



Measure standard liquid (p.13)

Within accuracy range→Normal

Outside accuracy range



Restore default calibration settings (p.38)



Measure standard liquid (p.13)

Within accuracy range→Normal

Outside accuracy range






Contact ATAGO for service and repair (p.44)

10-2 User Calibration

- Note**
- Ensure that the main unit, spindle, temperature sensor, beaker and standard liquid are fully acclimated to the ambient temperature before performing calibration.

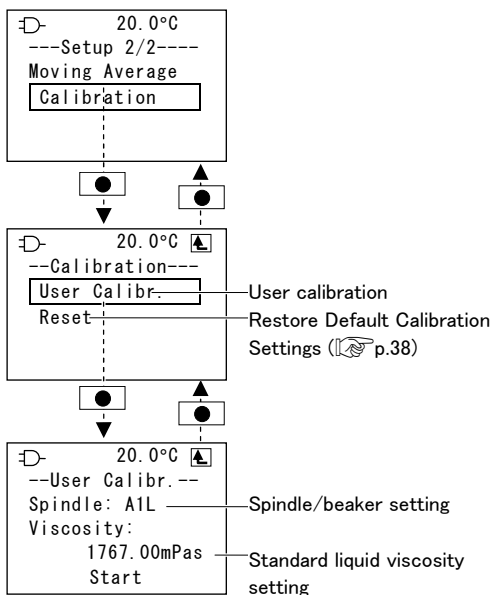
10-2-1 Display

[Setup Screen (setup 2/2)]

Slide   to select an item, then push  to confirm the selection.

[Calibration Menu Screen]

[Calibration Screen]



(example display)

10-2-2 Spindle/Beaker Settings

Refer to the “Maximum Measurement Values Guideline Chart” and select the most suitable spindle and beaker for your application (☞ from p.42).

[Calibration Screen]

20.0°C ↑
 --User Calibr.--
 Spindle: A1L
 Viscosity:
 1767.00mPas
 Start

◀▶ (Blinking) ▶ ● Confirm
 Select one of the items listed below:

| Item | Spindle | Beaker |
|------|---------|---------|
| A1S | A1 | S:15mL |
| A1L | A1 | L:100mL |
| A2S | A2 | S:15mL |
| A2L | A2 | L:100mL |
| A3S | A3 | S:15mL |
| A3L | A3 | L:100mL |

10-2-3 Standard Liquid Viscosity Settings

Check the viscosity of the standard liquid by using the temperature conversion chart included with the standard liquid as reference.

Viscosity will differ, depending on the temperature.

[Calibration Screen]

20.0°C ↑
 --User Calibr.--
 Spindle: A1L
 Viscosity:
 1767.00mPas
 Start

Slide ▶◀ to select a value, then push ● to input the value.

Confirm ●

20.0°C
 1767.0
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
 9 0 . ← → Back
 Enter Quit

Input field

← →: use the arrows to move the cursor.
 Back: select “Back” to delete the value to the left of the cursor.

MEMO Select “Quit” to cancel settings and return to the calibration screen.

MEMO Values up to 2 decimal places can be input.

10-2-4 Performing User Calibration

[Calibration Screen]

```

20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Spindle: A1L
Viscosity:
1767.00mPas
Start
    
```

Prepare the spindle, temperature sensor (only when using the L Beaker) and standard liquid.

Spindle Preparation (☞ p.14)
 Temperature Sensor Preparation (☞ p.15)
 Sample Preparation (☞ p.15)
 Beaker Setup (☞ p.16)

```

20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Attach the spindle.
OK
    
```

Cannot be selected

```

20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Calibrating...
Torque: 64.0%
    
```

MEMO When an error occurs, "Calibration error." will be displayed and "beeping" tones will be emitted.

The variation (deviation) will be displayed and a "beep" will be emitted. Check the value. Recommended variation: within 10.0
 If the variation exceeds 10.0, refer to p.39.

```

20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Deviation:6.85
Settings saved.
Enter  Quit
    
```

```

20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Settings were not saved.
Exit setup?
Enter  Quit
    
```

Beep

Save

Exit without saving

```

20.0°C ▲
--Calibration--
User Calibr.
Reset
    
```

[Calibration Menu Screen]

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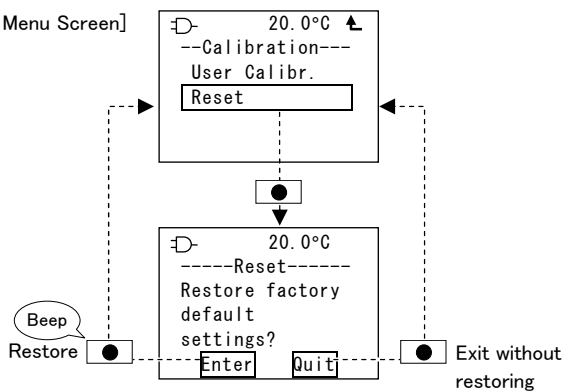
20.0°C ▲
--User Calibr.--
Spindle: A1L
Viscosity:
1767.00mPas
Start
    
```

[Calibration Screen]

10-3 Restore Default Calibration Settings



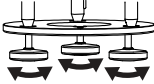

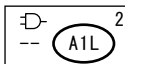
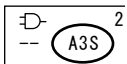
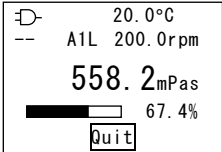
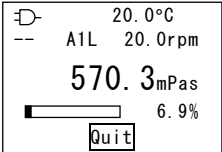
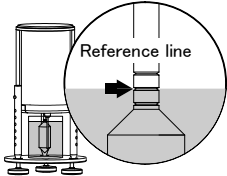
Calibration settings can be restored to factory default values as described below.

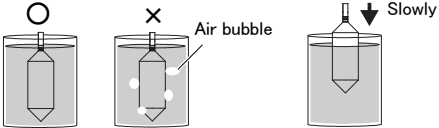
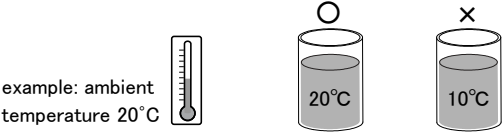
[Calibration Menu Screen]



11 Abnormal Measurement Values

If abnormal measurement values occur, perform the following checks as illustrated below.

| Checklist | Reference Pages and Solutions |
|--|--|
| <p>Main unit level check</p> | <p>☞ p.12</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>○</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>×</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> <p>Use the stand screws to adjust the level.</p> </div> </div> |
| <p>Spindle and beaker combination setting check</p> | <p>☞ p.17</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>example: A1L Spindle A1 L Beaker</p>  </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>[Measurement Screen]</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>○</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>×</p>  </div> </div> </div> </div> |
| <p>Check that the torque is within the recommended range of 10 to 100% (and 5.0 to 100.0% when using Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)-Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample (sold separately)).</p> | <p>If the value falls outside of the recommended range, change the speed, spindle and beaker accordingly to ensure the torque% falls within the recommended range.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>○</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>×</p>  </div> </div> <p>memo Speed increase → Torque% increase Wider spindle → Torque% increase Smaller beaker → Torque% increase</p> |
| <p>Sample surface and spindle reference line alignment check</p> | <p>☞ p.16</p>  |

| Checklist | Reference Pages and Solutions |
|--------------------------|---|
| Air bubble check | <p>If air bubbles are present, let the sample sit and settle in order to remove the air bubbles. When the main unit is set up, you can avoid air bubbles by slowly inserting the spindle in the sample.</p>  |
| Sample temperature check | <p>Ensure that the sample temperature is fully acclimated to the ambient conditions (example: Adjust the ambient temperature until it is stable, then let the sample sit for a while until it has acclimated to the temperature).</p> <p>example: ambient temperature 20°C</p>  <p>memo Viscosity will change depending on the temperature.</p> |

12 Optional Accessories and Replacement Parts

Contact ATAGO or your ATAGO distributor to place an order or for any inquiries.

| Name | Part No. | Notes |
|--|----------|--|
| Standard liquid JS10 | RE- | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) For Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)-Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample. |
| Standard liquid JS20 | RE- | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) For Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)-Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample |
| Standard liquid JS50 | RE- | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) For Ultra Low Adapter (ULA)-Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample |
| Standard liquid JS200 | RE-89016 | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) |
| Standard liquid JS500 | RE-89017 | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) |
| Standard liquid JS1000 | RE-89018 | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) |
| Standard liquid JS2000 | RE-89019 | Manufactured by Nippon Grease Co., Ltd (500mL) |
| Spindle A1 | RE-77104 | |
| Spindle A2 | RE-77105 | |
| Spindle A3 | RE-77106 | |
| Ultra Low Adapter(ULA)-Sample Adapter for Low Viscosity Sample | RE- | For measuring low viscosity samples (1~2,000mPa·s) |
| S Beaker (15mL) | RE-79100 | |
| L Beaker (100mL) | RE-79101 | |
| Cup adapter (with 100pcs cups) | RE-78141 | with 50 paper cups and 50 plastic cups |
| Paper cups (90mL 100pcs) | RE-79102 | for Cup adapter |
| Plastic cups (90mL 100pcs) | RE-79103 | for Cup adapter |

memo Ultra Low Adapter will allow to measure low viscosity samples (1~2,000mPa·s). It only requires small amount of sample volume (16mL) to measure. (Only applicable for samples with aforementioned viscosity measurement range.)

memo By using the cup adapter, measurements can be taken in a disposable container in place of a glass beaker.

The cup adapter eliminates the hassle of cleaning glass beakers after measurement.


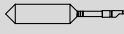
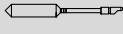
13 Supplementary Material

13-1 Maximum Measurement Values Guideline Chart



S Beaker (15mL)

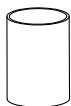
Unit: mPa·s (cP)

| rpm | Spindle | | |
|-----|--|--|--|
| |  A1 |  A2 |  A3 |
| 0.5 | 180k | 600k | 2.1M |
| 0.6 | 150k | 500k | 1.7M |
| 1 | 91k | 300k | 1M |
| 1.5 | 60k | 200k | 700k |
| 2 | 45k | 150k | 520k |
| 2.5 | 36k | 120k | 420k |
| 3 | 30k | 100k | 350k |
| 4 | 22k | 75k | 260k |
| 5 | 18k | 60k | 210k |
| 6 | 15k | 50k | 170k |
| 10 | 9.1k | 30k | 100k |
| 12 | 7.5k | 25k | 87k |
| 20 | 4.5k | 15k | 52k |
| 30 | 3k | 10k | 35k |
| 50 | 1.8k | 6k | 21k |
| 60 | 1.5k | 5k | 17k |
| 100 | 910 | 3k | 10k |
| 150 | 600 | 2k | 7k |
| 200 | 450 | 1.5k | 5.2k |
| 250 | 360 | 1.2k | 4.2k |

Note



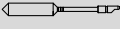
example: 4.5k = 4,500

example: 1.7M = 1,700,000



L Beaker (100mL)

Unit: mPa·s (cP)

| rpm | Spindle | | |
|-----|--|--|--|
| | A1  | A2  | A3  |
| 0.5 | 320k | 740k | 2.3M |
| 0.6 | 260k | 610k | 1.9M |
| 1 | 160k | 370k | 1.1M |
| 1.5 | 100k | 240k | 770k |
| 2 | 80k | 180k | 570k |
| 2.5 | 64k | 140k | 460k |
| 3 | 53k | 120k | 380k |
| 4 | 40k | 92k | 280k |
| 5 | 32k | 74k | 230k |
| 6 | 26k | 61k | 190k |
| 10 | 16k | 37k | 110k |
| 12 | 13k | 30k | 96k |
| 20 | 8k | 18k | 57k |
| 30 | 5.3k | 12k | 38k |
| 50 | 3.2k | 7.4k | 23k |
| 60 | 2.6k | 6.1k | 19k |
| 100 | 1.6k | 3.7k | 11k |
| 150 | 1k | 2.4k | 7.7k |
| 200 | 810 | 1.8k | 5.7k |
| 250 | 640 | 1.4k | 4.6k |

Note

example: 4.5k = 4,500

example: 1.7M = 1,700,000

14 Warranty, Repair and Calibration

The instrument is warranted for one year from the date of purchase. Repair services will be performed free of charge while the instrument is under warranty. However, this warranty is void if the instrument shows evidence of the following:

- Having been disassembled by unauthorized personnel.
- Having been misused and/or operated outside the environmental specifications.

Repair services are available for a fee after the warranty expires.

Replacement Parts

Replacement parts are necessary to maintain performance of the instrument.

Replacement parts are generally available for 7 years after a model is discontinued.

However, please be aware that replacement parts may become unavailable from the suppliers within the 7-year period. Contact ATAGO, an authorized ATAGO distributor, or the original seller.

*Any repair services that require disassembly must be performed at an authorized ATAGO service center.

Calibration Recommendation

In accordance with the ISO quality management systems, ATAGO provides calibration services that comply with HACCP and GMP standards (only available for ATAGO products; a fee will be charged for this service).

The following documents will accompany an instrument after calibration:

Calibration certificate, traceability certificate, and traceability diagram.

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| Please have the serial number information ready when contacting us. |
|---|

15 Specifications

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Product name | VISCO | | VISCO-895 | |
| Cat. No. | 6800 | | 6820 | |
| Measurement Scales | Viscosity•Temperature•Torque% | | | |
| Display Items | Viscosity•Temperature•Torque%•Speed•Spindle and beaker combination | | | |
| Measurement Range | Viscosity: A1 50 to 200,000mPa•s / 50 to 200,000cP A2 100 to 600,000mPa•s / 100 to 600,000cP A3 500 to 2,000,000mPa•s / 500 to 2,000,000cP Torque: 0.0 to 100.0% (recommended torque: 10.0 to 100.0%) Temperature: 0.0 to 100.0°C/32.0 to 212.0°F | | | |
| Resolution | Viscosity: lower than 100mPa•s 0.01mPa•s 100mPa•s or higher lower than 10,000mPa•s 0.1mPa•s 10,000mPa•s or higher 1mPa•s Torque: Lower than 10% 0.01% 10% or higher 0.1% Temperature: 0.1°C/0.1°F | | | |
| Measurement Accuracy | Viscosity: ±1% of Maximum Viscosity (Refer to the "Maximum Measurement Values Guideline Chart," from p.42) Temperature: ±0.2°C/±0.4°F | | | |
| Speed | 0.5 to 250rpm Number of Speeds: 20 | | | |
| Language | Japanese / English | | | |
| Sample Temperature Range | 10.0 to 40.0°C / 50.0 to 104.0°F | | | |
| Environmental Conditions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the instrument where the temperature is between 10 to 40°C • Use the instrument at an altitude below 2,000m (above sea level). • Use the instrument under the condition where humidity is 80% at 31°C or lower, falling linearly to 50% at 40°C. | | | |
| Computer Output | Output: USB Mini-B – PC | | | |
| Power Supply | LR6 / AA alkaline batteries (x4) AC adapter input: AC100 to 240V, 50/60Hz, 0.3A output: 9V, 0.5A. | | | |
| Battery Life (Approx.) | Approx. 7 hours (continuous operation at 60rpm) | | | |
| Material | Main unit: SUS316L, aluminium Legs: SUS304 Stand: SUS304 Stand screw: SUS303 | | Main unit: aluminium Legs: aluminium Stand: aluminium Stand screw: aluminium | |
| Dimensions and Weight | Main unit: 120(W)x120(D)x 200.6(H)mm 1.2kg (excluding batteries, spindles and temperature sensor) Stand+screw: 0.5kg Small volume beaker attachment:0.1kg | | Main unit: 120(W)x120(D)x 200.6(H)mm 0.895kg (excluding batteries, spindles and temperature sensor) Stand+screw: 0.27kg Small volume beaker attachment: 0.1kg | |

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