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# M4<sup>™</sup> FUSION INSTRUMENT

Keeping ahead through expertise in sample preparation by fusion



AN INSTRUMENT THAT HAS PROVEN **ITS WORTH** 

The M4 fusion instrument has three fusion positions and is heated by gas. Being used to prepare glass disks for XRF analysis and solutions for AA and ICP analysis, this fully automatic instrument ensures uniform heating for reproducible and accurate results. The M4 instrument is the best in terms of low maintenance cost.



### preparation by fusion

- Low cost of ownership
- Simple to use
- High analytical performance



The high-productivity and robustness of the M4 instrument makes it an appropriate tool to prepare

The versatility of the M4 is convenient when it comes to prepare cosmetic samples.

With this simple and low maintenance instrument, you can quickly switch from producing glass beads for XRF to producing solutions for ICP analysis. It then facilitates your experiments.

This highly safe instrument has a user-friendly interface that simplifies the preparation of food

The M4 is a great quality control tool leading to very high analytical performance and allowing the

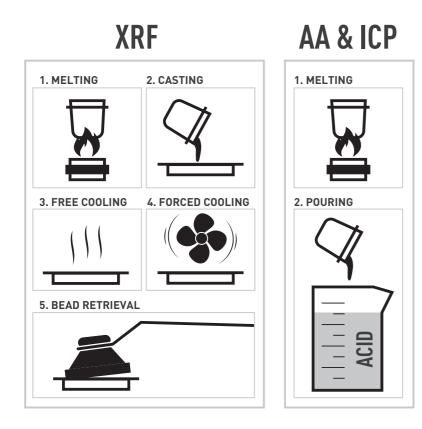
The M4 is easy to use and requires low maintenance. It's therefore a great choice for universities.

In addition to providing excellent repeatability, the M4 can be used to prepare peroxide and borate

The M4 instrument is useful for the preparation of soils and sediments since it leads to high-quality

## WHAT IS FUSION?

Fusion is a sample preparation method developed in the mid 50s. It consists of dissolving at high temperatures a fully oxidized sample in a suitable solvent (a flux) in a platinum, zirconium or graphite crucible. The melted mixture is agitated and poured into a mold to create a glass disk for XRF analysis. It can be poured into a beaker to create a solution for AA or ICP analysis.



#### Why should I use fusion in my laboratory?

This universal technique has numerous benefits when you compare it with other sample preparation methods such as pressed pellets or acid digestion.

	Fusion	Pressed pellets
Affected by mineralogy	No	Yes
Affected by particle size	No	Yes
Desirable size of powder (microns)	50-100 (easy)	5-30 (difficult)
Accuracy	≤1%	≤10%
Easy calibration with synthetic standards	Yes	No
Application of matrix correction	Yes	No

# WHY INVEST IN THE M4 FUSION INSTRUMENT?

#### High analytical performance

- Inter-burner repeatability at each fusion cycle
- Stable oxidizing flames leading to excellent repeatability
- High accuracy
- Consistent temperature and flame control
- Superior homogenization of the melt (the crucibles rotate while inclined)
- Specially designed burners.

#### Programmable fusion parameters

- Gas flow
- Duration
- Mixing speed and amplitude
- Crucible angle
- Agitation speed and angle
- Cooling air flow
- Magnetic stirring speed.

# QUICK RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI)

#### Low cost of ownership

- 2 preparation modes in 1 instrument
- Easy installation
- Simple and efficient mechanism made of long-lasting parts
- Molds and crucibles can be washed and replaced.



#### **Optimized method development**

• Visualization of the entire fusion process to facilitate the method development.

#### Ultimate safety

- Fully automated pouring
- No manipulation of hot vessels (cold-to-cold operation)
- Automatic ignition and flame watching system
- Safety cabinet.

#### Easy to use

- Fully automatic one-touch operation
- Library of predefined fusion methods.

#### Minimal infrastructure required

- Small and compact: fits in limited space
- No burner calibration requested
- No compressed air or  $O_2$  needed.

#### Tailored solutions through expertise

Malvern Panalytical experts are the reference for all steps of the fusion process or development of new applications. Their personalised solutions allow customers to properly manage risks, reach a quick ROI, and benefit from a large database of preparation methods for a broad range of samples.

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### Productivity

- Produces up to 3 samples simultaneously
  Prepares glass disks for XRF analysis
  Prepares borate solutions for AA and ICP analysis

#### Heating

• Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and natural gas

#### Electrical

- Voltage: 115 VAC 115-230 VAC
  Current: 1 A
  Frequency: 50-60 Hz
  Power: 120 VA Electrical

#### Gas Requirements

- Gas requirements Gas type: Propane, other LPG or natural gas Input pressure for other LPG: 62 ± 7 kPa (9 ± 1 psi)

  - Input pressure for natural gas:  $69 \pm 7 \text{ kPa} (10 \pm 1 \text{ psi})$
  - Max. input pressure regulator: 1 720 kPa (250 psi) • Mean consumption\* (propane): 50 g / sample (2 oz. /sample)
  - Max. calorific power per burner (propane): 9.6 kW (33 000 BTU/h)
     Number of burners: 3

\*The gas consumption depends on the fusion program

#### Dimensions With safety cabinet • Height: 41 cm (16 in.) • Depth: 45 cm (17.5 in.) • Width: 52 cm (20.5 in.) • Weight: 23 kg (50 lb.)

#### Programmable Fusion Parameters

- Gas flow
- Duration
- Mixing speed and amplitude
- Crucible angle Agitation speed and angle
- Cooling air flow
- Magnetic stirring speed

#### Control and Operation

- One-touch operation
- Can be controlled through a computer
- Easily adaptable software
  Alarm when the cycle is completed

#### Safety

- User operation levels are protected by a password
- Safety cabinet
- No O2 required
  Certified CSA

#### Without safety cabinet

• Height: 43 cm (17 in.) • Depth: 36 cm (14 in.) • Width: 43 cm (17 in.) • Weight: 17 kg (38 lb.)



## WHY CHOOSE US?

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