Oxidation Stability

Rapid Small Scale Oxidation Test (RSSOT)
A new Method for the Determination of the Oxidation Stability
Suitable for Diesel, Biodiesel, FAME, Gasoline, Grease, Oil, Food, Cosmetics etc.

The new “Rapid Small Scale Oxidation Test” (RSSOT) Methods were approved in Summer 2009:

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PetroOXY Apparatus

Complies with the requirements of users regarding an improvement of the currently used manual oxidation stability tests:

- Small sample volume of 5 ml
- Short test time, normally less than 1 hour
- Improved user safety
- Automatic pressure detection system
- Automated oxygen charging & relief
- Automatic heating & re-cooling
- Easy handling even for less skilled users
- No complicated evaluation (as soon as the test is finished the result is displayed)
- Interface to transfer test data
- Easy cleaning after test run

Re-Cooling Alternatives:

Metal Re-Cooling Block

The block must be stored in a separate freezer to boost the re-cooling of the chamber between two tests. Especially useful in a warm environment.

Active Re-Cooling Device

Uses semi-conductor Peltier cooling. It allows an automatic re-cooling to a defined temperature in the range of +17 to +24 °C. Fully self-contained and liquid-free it is a very easy and safe way of testing. Especially recommended for easy vaporizing fluids like gasoline.

Test Cell Alternatives:

Aluminum Chamber with galvanic coating

High-graded aluminum is used to provide even and super fast heat transfer. The galvanic coating of the cell avoids catalytic effects.

Suitable for:
- fuel, oil
- with a sample dish for grease

But not for water containing products.

Stainless Steel Chamber

High-graded stainless steel in dairy-product quality.

Suitable for:
- water containing products
- acid forming samples

in the food & cosmetic sector.

PetroOXY Logger-software

A program for data acquisition and easy update, which is included in each PetroOXY.

Features:
- online data visualization of pressure and temperature curves during a test
- data readout after a test
- data storage in xml-format

It requires a PC with Windows®-plattform with >300 MB hard disk space, CD-ROM drive, mouse and 1 free serial port (RS232 or USB). (Configuration details upon request)
PetroOXY - Determination of the Oxidation Stability of Fuels (Gasoline, Diesel, Gasoil, Biodiesel & FAME), Grease & Oil

**Product group: Fuels** (Gasoline, Diesel, Gasoil, Biodiesel & FAME)

**Current manual procedures:**

**Oxidation Stability by Induction Period - ASTM D 525 - IP 40 - ISO 7536**

The induction period may be used as an indication of the tendency of motor gasoline to form gum in storage. It should be recognized, however, that its correlation with the formation of gum in storage may vary markedly under different storage conditions and with different gasolines.

**Oxidation Stability of Distillate Fuel Oil - ASTM D 2274, ISO 12 205, ASTM D 5304**

This test method provides a basis for the estimation of the storage stability of middle distillate fuels. But it is only possible to discriminate very good and relatively good fuels from very bad fuels. A more precise differentiation is not possible.

**Oxidation Stability of Fatty Acid Methyl Esters - EN 14 112, EN 15 751**

This method detects oxidation stability through conductivity. Utmost cleanliness is required and thus the cleaning process is found problematic. Also interpretation of results at least partially requires highly skilled experts.

**Automatic procedures:**

**Oxidation Stability of Gasoline - ASTM D 7525**

**Oxidation Stability of Diesel, Biodiesel & FAME - ASTM D 7545**

For the determination of the stability of fuels under accelerated oxidation conditions. Compared to some other oxidation and storage stability test methods, this test method uses a small sample and gives a result in a short time period.

We recommend:

- **13-3002**
- **13-3003**
  - **PetroOXY “Block Cooling” with Re-Cooling Block**
  - Power supply: 115/230 V, 50/60 Hz, EU-plug & -filling tube
  - Power supply: 115/230 V, 50/60 Hz, US-plug & -filling tube

**Product group: Grease**

**Current manual procedures:**

**Oxidation Stability of Lubricating Greases - ASTM D 942, DIN 51808, IP 142**

This test method measures the net change in pressure resulting from consumption of oxygen by oxidation and gain in pressure due to formation of volatile oxidation by-products. This test method may be used for quality control to indicate batch-to-batch uniformity.

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- **13-3006**
- **13-3007**
  - **PetroOXY “Active Cool” with Peltier Re-Cooling**
  - Power supply: 115/230 V, 50/60 Hz, EU-plug & -filling tube
  - Power supply: 115/230 V, 50/60 Hz, US-plug & -filling tube

- **13-3028** **Sample Dish** (see Accessories)

**Product group: Oil**

**Current manual procedures:**

**Oxidation Stability of Steam Turbine Oils by Rotating Pressure Vessel (RBOT) - ASTM D 2272, IP 229**

The estimate of oxidation stability is useful in controlling the continuity of this property for batch acceptance of production lots having the same operation. This test method is also used to assess the remaining oxidation test life of in-service oils.

**Oxidation Stability of Turbine Oils (TOST) - ASTM D 943, ISO 4263, etc.**

This test method is widely used for specification purposes and is considered of value in estimating the oxidation stability of lubricants, like inhibited steam-turbine oils. It is also used for testing hydraulic oils and circulating oils having a specific gravity, less than that of water and containing rust and oxidation inhibitors.

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Food, Cosmetics & other Products

PetroOXY - Determination of the Oxidation Stability (Aging) of Food, Cosmetics and other Products

Possible applications:
- Vegetable oils and fats (like margarine or seed oil etc.)
- Animal oils and fats (like butter, fish oil etc.)
- Meltable foods with a high fat content (like butter, cheese, lipstick etc.)
  can be analyzed without any further sample preparation.
- Liquid or semi-liquid foods (like mayonnaise, sauce, cream or lotion etc.)
  should be split to analyze the separated fat phase.
- Solid, non-meltable foods (like nuts, bacon, sausage etc.)
  the fat phase should be separated before analyzed.

Product group: Natural Oils/Fats, Food & Cosmetics
To make a statement concerning the oxidation stability respectively the shelf life, the examined sample will be aged artificially under controlled test conditions.
By raising the temperature or oxygen pressure the period, until signs of spoiling appear, will be reduced from months/weeks to days/hours.
The determined induction time, so called induction period or Oxidation Stability Index, characterizes the resistance of oils and fats to oxidation.
The oxidation stability (induction period) is correlated to the shelf life of oils, i.e. until first signs of rancidity are recognized.
To describe the future development of aging the sample is stressed, under accelerated conditions, with heat and oxygen at elevated pressure. After the consumption of the antioxidants (which will be reduced faster due to the increased temperature), volatile and non-volatile products can be determined.
Compared to similar, already published instruments, the test conditions are more rigid. Therefore the scope of application is extended.
The PetroOXY offers an easy and safe method for the fast determination of the oxidation stability for sensitive oils and fats.
Suitable for the qualitative analysis of vegetable cooking oils and greases, further for vegetable grease used in cosmetics.

Current manual procedure:
Oxidation Stability of Animal / Vegetable Fats and Oils - ISO 6886, EN 14 112
The determination of the oxidation stability of natural oils and fats through conductivity is a standard quality control method in the food industry. The oils and fats contained in food are also subject to oxidation, which leads to their spoilage.
As well as for determining the oxidation stability of foods, the PetroOXY can also be used for testing cosmetics or cosmetic additives.

The suitable PetroOXY unit is:
PetroOXY “Stainless Steel”
Automatic Oxidation Stability Tester for Water Containing Products like Food, Cosmetics etc. with stainless steel chamber and PTFE Dish

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Comparison of food, cosmetics etc.
Scope of Application
This is a new automatic method to evaluate the storage stability of liquid fuels (gasoline, diesel, FAME), grease or oil and food and give a qualitative analysis before releasing a product from any production facility or storage.

Summary of Method
ASTM D 7525 & ASTM D 7545
the new “Rapid Small Scale Oxidation Test” Methods
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The measured induction period can be used as an indication of the oxidation and storage stability.
The PetroOXY test methods use, compared to some other oxidation and storage stability test methods, a small sample only and give good repeatable results in a short time period.

Oxidation Stability - PetroOXY Method (automatic)
Gasoline Methods: ASTM D 7525
In correlation with: ASTM D 525, IP 40, ISO 7536
FAME / Biodiesel Methods: ASTM D 7545
In correlation with: EN 14 112, EN 15 751
Diesel / Gasoil Methods: ASTM D 7545
In correlation with: ASTM D 2274, IP 388, ISO 12205
ASTM D 5304
Grease Methods:
In correlation with: ASTM D 942, DIN 51 808, IP 142
Oil Methods:
In correlation with: ASTM D 942, ISO 4263
ASTM D 2272, IP 229
Food & Cosmetics Methods:
In correlation with: ISO 6886, EN 14 112

PetroOXY - Automatic Rapid Small Scale Oxidation Tester (RSSOT)
Features:
• Microprocessor controlled
• Results of 20 tests can be stored.
• Pressure and temperature are stored once per minute.
• A maximum of 16000 data-sets can be stored.
• Data can be exported to a PC.
Consisting of:
Automatic tester with microprocessor control, high-grade stainless steel housing with two-color powder coating, touch-key panel with large LC-display for pressure and temperature as well as simple display of the pressure curve membrane key pad for selection of desired program and parameters, control electronics with power supply, heating control with safety over-temperature shutoff, cool-down fan, sample cup for 5 ml standard sample, screw cap cover, safety and insulation cover, hose nipples, internal tubing, solenoid valves for automatic pressurization and pressure relief.
Supplied with:
1 set seals
1 set cleaning tissues
1 oxygen filling line (max. 8 bar) EU/US-type
1 verification fluid set, 50 ml
1 software PetroOXY
1 data transfer cable
1 USB adapter RS232
1 RS232 adapter DS9/DS25 plug
Technical Data:
Test place : 1
Test Cell : coated aluminum or stainless steel
Working range : up to +200 °C
Common test range : +120 °C to +150 °C or +120 °C to +200 °C
Heater capacity : 500 W
Re-Cooling Device : fan or metal block or Peltier element
Temperature sensor : Pt-100
Pressure sensor : 0 to 2000 kPa
Interfaces : 1x RS-232 for Printer, 1x RS-232 for data export
Dimensions / Weight : 24 x 40 x 26 cm (W x D x H), 11.2 kg
Power supply : 115/230 V, 50/60 Hz, EU- or US-plug

PetroOXY - Automatic Rapid Small Scale Oxidation Tester (RSSOT)
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Options & Accessories

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<td>Re-Cooling Block</td>
<td>for faster cool down of the test chamber between tests (must be chilled in a freezer until use)</td>
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<td>Pressure Calibration Manometer with adapter</td>
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<td>Digital pressure gage: 0 ... 10 bar</td>
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<td>13-3040</td>
<td>Temperature Calibration Set</td>
<td>Consisting of: precision thermometer, measuring chain with temperature sensor, lid and hood</td>
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<td>Service Set - PetroOXY</td>
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<td>- Lid with pressure port, to flush the system from the opposite direction</td>
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<td>- Tool kit for the tubing system (torque wrench and fork spanner (4 mm))</td>
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<td>- Leak detection spray (100 ml) to check the tubing system</td>
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<td>- Syringe (5 ml) with needle to inject the cleaning fluid (ethyl alcohol) into the test cell</td>
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<td>Bluetooth Set, for wireless connection from 1 instrument (with RS-232 interface) to 1 PC</td>
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Consumables

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<td>Cleaning Tissue, pack of 100</td>
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<td>2 pipettes (5 ml) and certificate</td>
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