

# **Rheotek Polymer Viscometer**

# Generation 3

Suitable for measuring a wide range of polymers, cellulose, pulp, inks and other liquids.

PA, PET, PVC, PAN, PLA, PB, PC, PE, PP, pulp, cellulose, MCC, electrical papers



# **Automated Polymer Viscometer**

The Rheotek Polymer Viscometer – RPV Generation 3 – provides a reliable and precise method for measuring dilute solution viscosity.

In this very operator sensitive test, automation using the RPV minimizes the variability of results.

Reported results include: *Kinematic Viscosity Dynamic Viscosity Relative Viscosity Specific Viscosity Reduced Viscosity Viscometer Number Inherent Viscosity Intrinsic Viscosity K-Value* 



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The RPV is a modular viscometer system. The generation 3 consists of a Viscometer Control Module with the latest embedded electronics, Temperature Control Module with solid state components, measuring heads (for optical sample detection), vacuum pump, PC and software platform.

Additional system options include the Rheotek Smart Sampler, reaction blocks for heating, stirring and cooling as well as other essential options for dilute solution viscosity.

A complete starter kit can be supplied for PET and rPET, as well as other applications.



Rheotek Polymer Viscometer with 4 measuring positions (two Viscometer Control Modules)

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## **RPV System Configurations**



## **RPV Options**

### Three levels of system automation

- Standard RPV systems automation of flow time measurements, calculation of results and in-situ cleaning and drying.
- RSS systems as above with automated sample delivery using a XYZ auto sampler
- Auto systems as above with integrated sample preparation, sample dissolution, and sample delivery



iSP-1 with precision balance



SD-1BM blocks with an optional chiller

## Integrated Sample preparation

Standard and RSS systems can be combined with the optional integrated sample preparation (iSP) – this automates the preparation of samples on a weight-to-weight basis, providing a precise concentration of the polymer.

The iSP consists of a precision balance, syringe pump for dispensing solvent as well as the iSP software. The iSP software can be used standalone or in conjunction with the RPV software.

## Sample dissolution

Sample dissolution can be carried out in a standalone 8 station reaction block (SD-1BM). This provides stirring as well as heating, together with the option of integrated cooling or the use of a quenching bath.

#### The iSP-1 and SD-1BM are built into auto systems.

Additional options are available according to the polymer application, including a purpose built fume hood to accommodate the RPV system.



## Software

The RPV software is designed to be user friendly and flexible. The software is highly configurable allowing optimisation for a wide range of applications. Results can be networked, interfaced to LIMS or generated in a home page and pdf result.

RPV-3	Viscometer Loading System 1 System 2	
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Position 1		Position 2
	Sample Type	<ul> <li>Sample Type</li> </ul>
Ample Preparation	User Name	User Name
	Sample Name	Sample Name
Viscometer Measurement	Description	Description
	Concentration (g/mL)	Concentration (g/mL)
<b>⊟</b> i Results	Method	Method
_	Solvent Flow Time (s)	Solvent Flow Time (s)
Check Temperature	Viscometer	Viscometer
🎾 System Diagnostics	Abort Sample loaded? Filling station capp Clean After Measur	eed? Abort Sample loaded? Filling station capped? Clean After Measurement
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## New to solution viscosity?

For a customer setting up solution viscosity for the first time, PSL Rheotek can provide a tailor-made package, including:

- Polymer Viscometer, Sample Preparation
- Reaction blocks for heating and stirring
- Quenching bath or chiller
- Hot plates
- Precision thermometer
- Custom fume hoods to accommodate the complete system

## **Polymer Sample Testing**



The PSL Rheotek Polymer Laboratory offers a testing service for a wide range of polymers. Testing is carried out in accordance with international methods and a detailed report will be supplied.

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