



**INSTRUCTION MANUAL**  
**BENZENE DETECTOR TUBE**  
- IN PRESENCE OF OTHER AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS -

No. 118SB

★ READ CAREFULLY THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL AND THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL OF THE ASPIRATING PUMP PRIOR TO USING THIS PRODUCT.  
★ DO NOT DISCARD THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL UNTIL ALL THE TUBES IN THIS BOX ARE USED UP.

Measuring Range and Pump Stroke	: 5 - 300 ppm : 1 pump stroke
Sampling Time	: 3 minutes
Colour Change	: White → Greenish Brown
Detectable Limit	: 3 ppm
Operating Temperature	: 10 - 40 °C (50-104°F) (Temperature correction is necessary.)
Aspirating Pump	: Model AP-20, AP-20S, 400B, AP-1, AP-1S, or 400A

**CAUTION**  
**1. THE DETECTOR TUBE AND PRETREAT TUBE CONTAIN CHEMICAL REAGENTS.**  
**2. DO NOT TOUCH THESE REAGENTS DIRECTLY ONCE TUBES WERE BROKEN.**  
**3. KEEP THE TUBES OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.**

**NOTICE**

1. USE ONLY WITH PUMP MODELS AP-20, AP-20S, 400B, AP-1, AP-1S, or 400A. OTHERWISE, CONSIDERABLE ERROR IN INDICATION MAY OCCUR.
2. BEFORE TESTING, CHECK THE ASPIRATING PUMP FOR LEAKS (REFER TO ITEM 8. INSPECTION OF ASPIRATING PUMP). ANY PUMPS SHOWING SIGNS OF LEAKAGE SHOULD BE CORRECTED BEFORE USE.
3. DO NOT USE THIS TUBE OUTSIDE THE STATED OPERATING TEMPERATURE RANGE.
4. STORE TUBES IN A COOL AND DARK PLACE (0-25°C/32-77°F), AND USE BEFORE EXPIRATION DATE PRINTED ON THE TOP OF THE BOX.
5. PRIOR TO USE, READ CAREFULLY ITEM 9. USER RESPONSIBILITY.
6. READ THE CONCENTRATION IMMEDIATELY AFTER MEASUREMENT.

**2. SAMPLING AND MEASUREMENT**

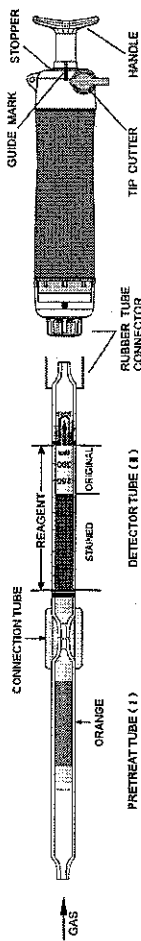


Fig. 1

- ① Break both ends of the pretreat tube (I) and detector tube (II), and connect each end of the pretreat tube and detector tube with connecting tube as shown in Fig. 1.

**CAUTION**  
**SAFETY GLASSES AND GLOVES SHOULD BE WORN TO PREVENT INJURY FROM SPLINTERING THE GLASS.**

- ② Insert the detector tube into the aspirating pump securely as shown in Fig. 1. (Arrow mark shall point to the pump.)

- ③ Align the guide marks on the shaft and stopper of the aspirating pump.
- ④ Pull the pump handle at a full stroke until it locks and wait for 3 minutes or until the completion of sampling is confirmed with the flow indicator of the pump. (See descriptions about the flow indicator in the instruction manual of the pump.)

- ⑤ On completion of sampling, read the scale at the maximum point of the stained layer.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** I. The scale is calibrated at 20 °C (68°F), 50%R.H. and 1013hPa. Readings obtained in other circumstances should be corrected (REFER TO ITEM 3. CORRECTION FOR AMBIENT CONDITIONS).

- II. When the maximum point of the stained layer is unclear or oblique, read the scale at the centre between the longest and shortest points.

**3. CORRECTION FOR AMBIENT CONDITIONS**

- ① Temperature: Correct the tube reading by following temperature correction table.

Tube Readings (ppm)	Temperature Correction Table		
	10 °C (50°F)	20 °C (68°F)	40 °C (104°F)
300	—	300	270
250	—	390	225
200	—	290	180
150	300	225	135
100	225	163	90
50	135	93	50
20	70	45	20
10	45	28	10
5	30	18	5

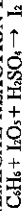
- ② Humidity: No correction is necessary.

- ③ Atmospheric Pressure: True concentration = Temperature corrected concentration × Atmospheric pressure (in hPa) 1013

**4. INTERFERENCE:**

More than 20 ppm of Toluene or more than 60 ppm of Xylene produces yellowish brown stains. Coexistence of more than 150 ppm of Toluene or more than 300 ppm of Xylene gives higher readings. More than 200 ppm of Hexane changes the colour of the whole reagent to dark grey. Coexistence of more than 800 ppm of Hexane changes the colour of the whole reagent to dark grey and gives higher readings.

**5. CHEMICAL REACTION IN THE DETECTOR TUBE:**



**6. DISPOSAL OF TUBES:**

**USED TUBES SHOULD BE DISPOSED CAREFULLY ACCORDING TO RELEVANT REGULATIONS, IF ANY.**

**7. HAZARDOUS AND DANGEROUS PROPERTIES OF BENZENE:**

TLV - TWA : 0.5 ppm

Explosion range in air : 1.2 - 8.0 %

◆ Threshold Limit Value established by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 2008.

**8. INSPECTION OF ASPIRATING PUMP:**

Checking for leaks:

- ① Insert a sealed, unbroken detector tube into the pump.
- ② Align the guide marks on the shaft and stopper of the pump.
- ③ Pull the handle to a full stroke and wait for 1 minute.
- ④ Unlock the handle and allow it to return slowly into the pump by holding the cylinder and handle securely. **CAUTION: HANDLE WILL TEND TO SNAP BACK INTO THE PUMP QUICKLY.**
- ⑤ If the handle returns completely to the original position, the performance is satisfactory. Otherwise, refer to maintenance procedures shown in the instruction manual of the pump to correct the leakage.

**9. USER RESPONSIBILITY:**

It is the sole responsibility of the user of this equipment to ensure that the equipment is operated, maintained, and repaired in strict accordance with these instructions and the instructions provided with each Model AP-20, AP-20S, 400B, AP-1, AP-1S or 400A aspirating pump, and that detector tubes are not used which are either beyond their expiration date or have a colour change different to that stated in the Performance specifications. The Manufacturer and Manufacturer's Distributors shall not be otherwise liable for any incorrect measurement or any damages, whether damages result from negligence or otherwise.

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