

TESTING HARDNESS

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Wilson® hardness testers include a comprehensive range of hardness testers from Rockwell®, Knoop/Vickers, and Brinell to fully automatic production systems. Our testers are complemented by a range of test blocks, accessories, and fixtures, and our calibration laboratory is recognized as the global leader in the production of premium test blocks and indenters.

Providing service and support that is dedicated to ensuring the highest quality calibration, verification, and service throughout the world and our applications support combines years of experience with unparalleled expertise. With dedicated sales, manufacturing, and research & development facilities located around the world, including the Americas, Europe, and Asia we are always close to you.

Rockwell

Load Range

Scale



Closed Loop,

Loadcell

Dead weight

Test Load Control



Spring

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ROCKWELL® HARDNESS TESTERS



The Rockwell test is based on the difference in indentation depth between a smaller preliminary force (minor) and larger total force (major). Rockwell hardness values are expressed as a combination of a hardness number and a scale symbol representing the indenter and the minor and major loads. The hardness number is expressed by the symbol HR and the scale designation. Rockwell testing requires no optical measurement and so has excellent speed and reproducibility.

Applications:

- Steel
- Copper
- Cast irons
- Thin materials

- Cemented carbides
- Deep case hardened materials
- Shallow case hardened materials

Rockwell 574 Hardness Tester

- Easy to operate, high precision system
- Dial selectable load range
- Durable, industrial design to withstand harsh environments
- Automatic minor load braking system

	574R Regular	574S Superficial	574T Twin
Pre-load	10kgf	3kgf	3, 10kgf
Main-load	60, 100, 150kgf	15, 30, 45kgf	15, 30, 45, 60, 100, 150kgf
Hardness scales	HRA, HRB, HRC, HRD, HRE, HRF, HRG, HRH, HRK, HRL, HRM, HRP, HRR, HRS, HRV	15N, 30N, 45N, 15T, 30T, 45T, 15W, 30W, 45W, 15X, 30X, 45X, 15Y, 30Y, 45Y	HRA, HRB, HRC, HRD, HRE, HRF, HRG, HRH, HRK, HRL, HRM, HRP, HRR, HRS, HRV, 15N, 30N, 45N, 15T, 30T, 45T, 15W, 30W, 45W, 15X, 30X, 45X, 15Y, 30Y, 45Y
Test load type	Calibrated Spring (Minor Load), Dead weight stack (Major load)		
Test cycle type	Motorized with automatic pre-load brake		
Vertical test capacity	11.43in [289mm] accessories may decrease available capacity		
Horizontal test capacity	6.93in [175mm] at the top, 6.13in [155mm] at the bottom		
Indenters (optional)	120° Diamond cone, 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in Ball		
Data-out	USB and RS232		
Standards Compliant	ASTM E18, ASTM D785, ASTM B294, ISO 6508, JIS Z 2245, GB/T 230		
Power	100 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz		

Part Number	Description
W574R	Rockwell 574R - for all Regular test scales
W574S	Rockwell 574S - for all Superficial test scales
W574T	Rockwell 574T - for all Regular and Superficial test scales

Accessories

Suitable indenters must be selected separately for each test scale to be used. See pages 90-91 for the Rockwell 574 indenter and anvil options.



Approx. Weight: 165 lbs [75kg]



Rockwell® 2000 Hardness Tester

- Most accurate, fast and easy to use Rockwell tester
- Automatic, one button start
- Fiber optic illumination

Standards Compliant

Power

- User friendly hand set for quick test method setup
- Industry-leading Gauge Repeatability and Reproducibility (GR&R)

	2002R & 2003R Regular	2002S & 2003S Superficial	2002T & 2003T Twin
Pre-load	10kgf	3kgf	3, 10kgf
Main-load	60, 100, 150kgf	15, 30, 45kgf	15, 30, 45, 60, 100, 150kgf
Hardness scales	HRA, HRB, HRC, HRD, HRE, HRF, HRG, HRH, HRK, HRL, HRM, HRP, HRR, HRS, HRV	15N, 30N, 45N, 15T, 30T, 45T, 5W, 30W, 45W, 15X, 30X, 45X, 15Y, 30Y, 45Y	HRA, HRB, HRC, HRD, HRE, HRF, HRG, HRH, HRK, HRL, HRM, HRP, HRR, HRS, HRV, 15N, 30N, 45N, 15T, 30T, 45T, 15W, 30W, 45W, 15X, 30X, 45X, 15Y, 30Y, 45Y
Test load type	Electronic closed-loop loadcell		
Test cycle type	Automatic, one button start		
Vertical test capacity	2002 models 10in [254mm]; 2003 models 14in [356mm]		
Horizontal test capacity	8.5in [216mm]		
Indenters (optional)	120° Diamond cone, 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in Ball		
Resolution	0.1 or 0.01 HR (adjustable)		
Data-out	RS232		

Part Number	Description
WH2002R	Rockwell 2000 Size-2 Regular main unit
WH2002S	Rockwell 2000 Size-2 Superficial main unit
WH2002T	Rockwell 2000 Size-2 Twin main unit
WH2003R	Rockwell 2000 Size-3 Regular main unit
WH2003S	Rockwell 2000 Size-3 Superficial main unit
WH2003T	Rockwell 2000 Size-3 Twin main unit

Accessories			
RB2000-C2	Anvil, Pedestal spot	CP102392	Three Bar Jominy Fixture
RB2000-C3	Anvil, 1/2in [12.7mm] Shallow "V", < 6mm diam	9100-564	Specimen Clamping Fixture
RB2000-C4	Anvil, 1.5in [38.1mm] Standard "V", > 6mm diam	9100-568	T-Slot table
RB2000-C5	Flat Anvil, 8in [203mm] testing table	CP107588	Camera Video Option with integrated lighting
RB2000-F2	NIST standard "C" diamond indenter		
RB2000-F3	NIST standard "N" diamond indenter	Kits contain r	ecommended indenters and test blocks.
RB2000-F5	1/16in Carbide Ball Indenter with ball	Please refer t	o your local Buehler representative for details.
RB2000-F7	1/8in Carbide Ball Indenter with ball	WA582143	Regular scale accessory kit
		WA58239	Superficial scale accessory kit
		WA582144	Twin scale accessory kit
		VVAJUZ 144	TWITT Scale accessory Kit

ASTM E18, B254, ISO 6508, JIS Z2245

100, 120, 220 or 240VAC +/- 10%, 47-63Hz







Rockwell 2002 48.5in [1232mm] Rockwell 2003 52.2in [1334mm]

23.2in [590mm]

Rockwell 2003: 250 lbs [113kg]

Approx. Weight: Rockwell 2002: 236 lbs [107kg]

[343mm]



Approx. Weight: 198 lbs [90kg]

Rockwell® BRIRO R Series Hardness Tester

- Extremely durable, highly accurate system
- Reicherter high-force clamping system for safe testing of both small and very large parts
- Easy exchange of indenters
- User-friendly HM-Control display

	Briro R	Briro RK	
Pre-load	10kgf	3kgf	
Main-load	60, 62.5, 100, 150, 187.5, 250kgf	15, 30, 45kgf	
Hardness scales	HRA, HRB, HRC, HRD, HRE, HRF, HRG, HRH, HBT 2.5/62.5; HBT2.5/187.5; HBT 5/250	15N, 30N, 45N, 15T, 30T, 45T, 15W, 430W, 45W, 15X, 30X, 45X, 15Y, 20Y, 30Y, 45Y	
Test load type	Low-mass	spring load	
Test cycle type	Manual, with Re	icherter clamping	
Vertical test capacity	Normal (R): 9.44in [240mm] Extended Version (RL): 14.37in [365mm] Extra Extended (RXL): 19.68in [500mm]		
Horizontal test capacity	5.9in [150mm]		
Indenters (optional)	120° Diamond cone, 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in Ball		
Data-out	RS232		
User interface	HM Control panel		
Standards Compliant	ASTM E18, ASTM D785, ASTM B294, ISO 6508, JIS Z 2245, GB/T 230		
Power	230V, 50/60Hz		

Part Number	Description
W702802	Briro R Regular scale main unit
W702805	Briro RK Superficial scale main unit
W702820	Briro RL extended test height main unit
W702809	Briro RXL extended test height main unit

Rockwell Diamond and Ball Indenters

Rockwell 2000 and Rockwell 574 9100401 Certified Diamond Indenter Rockwell "C" 120° Cone

900006838 Certified Diamond Indenter Rockwell "A" 120° Cone
900002015 Certified Diamond Indenter Rockwell "N" 120° Cone
9100405 Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/16in with 4 additional spare balls
9100407 Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/4in with 1 additional spare ball
9100408 Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/2in with 1 additional spare ball



BRIRO Series

740207	Certified Diamond Indenter Rockwell 120° Cone		
740091	Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/16in	Spare Balls f	or all Rockwell Testers
740236	Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/8in	9100422	Certified Carbide Balls, 1/16in Ø (qty 5)
740252	Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 1/4in	9100423	Certified Carbide Balls, 1/8in Ø (qty 5)
740092	Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 2.5mm	900000461	Certified Carbide Ball, 1/4in Ø
740093	Certified Carbide Ball Indenter, 5mm	900000464	Certified Carbide Ball, 1/2in Ø



KNOOP/VICKERS HARDNESS TESTERS

Knoop and Vickers tests are performed by pressing an indenter of a specific geometry into the test surface at a known test force for a specified time. After removing this force, the size of the resulting impression left in the material is measured optically. The size of the indent is used to calculate hardness.

The Vickers indenter is a square based pyramid, and is best for comparability of hardness across a wide range of materials and loads. The Knoop indenter is an elongated rhomboid and is usually used when very shallow or closely spaced indents are required. This form of test machine is often split into two categories: Macro- and Micro-Hardness.

Macro Hardness testing (using loads greater than 1kg) produces larger indents and is suited to testing general materials properties. This is usually only done with Vickers type indenters.

Micro Hardness testing uses loads less than 1kg and is used to test small areas, when multiple indents need to be made close to each other (e.g. to assess changing hardness), for testing close to edges or interfaces, or for thin samples. Both Vickers and Knoop indenters can be used in this test range.

Applications:

- Ferrous, steel & non ferrous metals
- IC wafers
- Thin plastics
- Metal foils & laminates
- Platings

- Coatings
- Surface layers
- Heat treatment effects
- Case depth
- Carburized layer depth

- Ceramics
- Carbides
- Hardness from welding to deposition

400 Series Knoop/Vickers Hardness Testers

- Versatile and user friendly system
- Available in 2 different models with maximum loads of 30kgf and 50kgf
- Two optical paths
- Motorized turret
- Optional motorized stage and motorized Z-axis

	432SVD	452SVD
Hardness scales	HV	/, HK
Main-load	003 - 30kgf	1 - 50kgf
Test cycle type	Motorized	dead weight
Vertical test capacity	8.3in [210mm]
Horizontal test capacity	6.3in [160mm]	
Objectives	10x and 20x objectives for 100x and 200x magnification	
Indenters	1 indenter position Select Vickers or Knoop	
XY-stage options	Manual 100 x 100mm stage, 25 x 25mm travel Motorized stage 100 x 100mm travel (with PC software only)	
Camera Software	Optional - contact your local Buehler representative for more information	
Standards Compliant	ISO 6507, ASTM E384 & E92, and JIS Z2244	
Power	100 - 240V	/AC 60/50Hz

Part Number	Description
W432SVD	Vickers Tester 432SVD
W452SVD	Vickers Tester 452SVD



Approx. Weight: 121 lbs [55kg]









Tukon 1102/1202 Knoop/Vickers Hardness Tester

- Versatile and user friendly system with a wide range of micro-hardness test scales
- Eight dial selectable load ranges
- 3 position (1102) or 6 position (1202) motorized turret
- High powered LED illumination
- Regular (R) or Long Working Distance (L) objectives (model dependent)
- Optional Hi Res CCD camera system can be integrated inside the frame no visible wires
- Motorized turret with "Shortest Path" program logic control.
- USB output to CSV file, easy to open in Excel



	Tukon 1102	Tukon 1202	
Hardness scales	HV, HK		
Main-load	10gf - 1kgf	(2kgf optional)	
Test cycle type	Motorized	dead weight	
Vertical test capacity	4.1in [130mm] / with	XY-stage 3.7in [95mm]	
Horizontal test capacity	5.1in	[130mm]	
Objectives	10x and 50x Regular	5x, 10x and 50x Long Working Distance	
Total magnification	100x, 500x	50x, 100x, 500x	
Indenters	1 indenter position Select Vickers or Knoop	2 indenter positions Select Vickers and/or Knoop	
Data-out	USB a	nd RS232	
User interface	Multilanguage 4.7in LCD touchscreen		
XY-stage options	Manual 100 x 100mm stage, 25 x 25mm travel Motorized stage 100 x 100mm travel (with PC software only)		
Camera Software	Options available from basic camera kit to full automatic system. Contact your local Buehler representative for more information		
Standards Compliant	ISO 6507, ASTM E384		
Power	100 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz		

See page 94 for Automation options.

Part Number	Description
W1102	Tukon 1102 Micro-hardness Tester (10-1000g), 2kgf optional see 9150-501
W1202	Tukon 1202 Micro-hardness Tester (10-1000g), 2kgf optional see 9150-501



Indenters for T	ukon 1102/1202, 2100, 2500 Testers	Objectives - Inc	dividual
9100-687	Vickers indenter 136°, includes ASTM & ISO	WH-5X-LWD	5x Long Working Distance objective
	certificate (Vickers A)	WH-10X-LWD	10x Long Working Distance objective
9100-684	Knoop indenter 172°, includes ASTM & ISO	WH-20X-LWD	20x Long Working Distance objective
	certificate (Knoop A)	WH-40X-LWD	40x Long Working Distance objective
9100-682	Vickers 136°, includes DKD certificate according	WH-50X-LWD	50x Long Working Distance objective
	to ISO standard (HV0.2-HV5) (Vickers B)	WH-100X-LWD	100x Long Working Distance objective
9100-681	Vickers 136°, includes DKD certificate according		
	to ISO standard (HV0.01-HV0.2) (Vickers C)	Tukon 1102/12	02 Accessories
9100-683	Knoop 172°, includes DKD certificate according	9150-501	Extended weight option for 2kg load
	to ISO standard (Knoop B)	9170-505	Digital eyepiece 10x

Manual Stages

9170-506 XY-stage with analog metric micrometers 9170-507 XY-stage with digital micrometers



KNOOP/VICKERS HARDNESS TESTERS

Automation packages for Tukon™ 1102/1202

Automated microindentation system solutions available with different levels of automation. All control of the hardness instrument can be handled through comprehensive software – automatically test and measure indentations, as well as set up and run automatic testing sequences with minimal operator interaction. All parameters of the test, such as load monitoring, dwell times, and focusing are controlled through the software providing a very user friendly system. Hardness scale conversions into other scales are supported.

Available automation packages

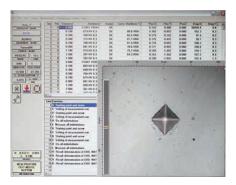
- Full for fully automatic testing
- Semi for semi-automatic testing (requires manual focusing)
- Basic for manual stage testing

Contact your local Buehler Representative for more information on configurations.

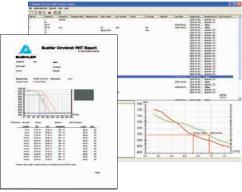
	Basic	Semi	Full
Manual Filar Measurement	•	•	•
Automatic Measurement Analysis	0	0	•
Automatic Sample Focusing			•
Automatic edge detection		0	0
Automatic Stage Movement		•	•
Turret control	•	•	•
High-Performance PC	0	0	0
Manual XY-Stage	•		
Motorized XY-Stage		•	•
Motorized Z-Axis			•
		• Included	O Optional

A complete automated testing solution consists of a Tukon 1102 or 1202 Hardness Tester, Automation Kit, and any additional Hardness Testing accessories required.

Note



Windows® software for indent measurement algorithms detect indents and automatically measures the Vickers or Knoop hardness of the specimen. Additionally, conversions into other scales are supported. Measurement of a Vickers indent is depicted on left.



Integrated data storage archives all measurements. Data may be retrieved at any time, reviewed, or sent to automatically generated reports as shown. Various report templates are available.

Automation Accessories

9180-105 Camera Adapter for Tukon 1102/1202 testers

9180-104 Automation RS232-DB9 Female Cable

9180-101 Automation Power Distribution Kit

9180-102 Motorized XY Stage Kit - 100 x 100mm travel

9180-103S Z-axis Installation Kit





86-1-0007 Workstation with MS® Windows 7 and Office® 2010

86-1-0006 Digital Camera, UI 1540LE-M-HQIR, 1.3MP

(Does not include monitor)



Tukon™ 2500 Knoop/Vickers Hardness Tester

• Wide load range of 10gf - 50kgf test load

Power

- Versatile, configurable solution for accurate and efficient testing
- Automated control, method setup, data collection and manipulation
- Digital zooming with optional 30x 2000x magnification

Tukon 2500 is a highly configurable system. Contact your local Buehler representative for more information on various options and accessories.

Software Features	1	2	3	4	5	6
Calibrated Digital Zooming	•	•	•	•	•	•
Manual Filar Measurement	•	•	•	•	•	•
Automatic Measurement Analysis		•	•	•	•	•
Automatic Sample Focusing			•		•	•
Automatic Stage Movement				•	•	•
Hardware						
Overview Camera						•
High-Performance PC	•	•	•	•	•	•
Sample Support						
Stationary Flat Anvil	•	•				
Manual XY-Stage with PC Interface			•			
Motorized XY-Stage				•	•	•



Approx. Weight: 165 lbs [75kg]

Specifications	Tukon 2500
Hardness scales	HV, HK
Main-load	10gf - 50kgf (select loadcells)
Test cycle type	Electronic closed-loop
Vertical test capacity	4.5in [114mm] anvil, 4.3in [110mm] manual stage, 3.1in [79mm] motorized stage
Horizontal test capacity	6.5in [165mm]
Standard magnification	50X, 100X, 200X, 300X, 400X, 500X, 700X
Extended magnification	30X, 50X, 100X, 200X, 300X, 500X, 600X, 1000X, 2000X
Indenters	2 indenter positions, select Vickers and/or Knoop
Data-out	PC Software
Standards Compliant	ASTM E384, ASTM E92, ISO 6507, ISO 9385, ISO 4545

Part Number	Description			
W25001	Tukon 2500 & 63mm flat anvil			
W25002	Tukon 2500 & 63mm flat anvil (incl.	Tukon 2500 & 63mm flat anvil (incl. Autom.)		
W25003	Tukon 2500 & manual XY-stage wit	Tukon 2500 & manual XY-stage with 2 digital micrometers		
W25004	Tukon 2500 Semi Automatic, Moto	Tukon 2500 Semi Automatic, Motorized XY Stage		
W25005	Tukon 2500 Full automatic	Tukon 2500 Full automatic		
W25006	Tukon 2500 Full automatic incl. ove	rview		
Accessories 9100-960 9100-961 9100-687	10N load cell (10gf to 1000gf) 500N load cell (300 gf to 50 Kgf) Vickers indenter, ASTM compliant	WH-OBJEXT-2500 WH-OBJSTD-2500	Extended objective set - includes 4x, 20x and 100x objectives Standard objective set - includes 10x and 50x objectives	

100, 120, 220 or 240VAC +/- 10%, 47-63Hz



KNOOP/VICKERS HARDNESS TESTERS

Wilson® VH3100 Automatic Vickers/Knoop Hardness tester

For automated case hardness depth (CHD), weld testing and many other programmable hardness tasks

- Range of high velocity motorized stages
- Motorized Z-axis with auto-focus
- Fast and accurate automatic indent measurement algorithms
- Wide range of objectives with digital zoom
- Optional overview camera
- Flexible connectability, USB, ethernet and external monitor connection



Approx. Weight: 82.7 lbs [37.5kg] without monitor Approx. Monitor Weight: 11.5 lbs [5.2kg] excluding arm

Wilson VH3100

Scales	HV, HK, HB
Test Load	0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10kgf
Test Load Accuracy	±1.5% < 200g, ±1% > 200g
Force Application	Load Cell
Dwell Time	1 - 999 seconds
Standard Compliance	ASTM E384 & E92; ISO 6507, 9385, 4546
Turret	Automatic virtual turret
Magnification Range	30X - 2000X with digital zooming
Overview Camera (optional)	0.5 x 0.5in [13 x 13mm] or 0.78 x 0.78in [20 x 20mm]
Power	100-240VAC, 50/60Hz
Weight	82.7lbs [37.5kg] without monitor

Unique Collision Protection System

The Collision Resistant System prevents indenter or objective damage by detecting unintended obstructions in the test path. The motion system is continuously monitored during the process and system movement is instantaneously stopped if an obstruction is detected. Collision Resistant System provides unparalleled, unique market essential safety benefit for operators, while reducing downtime and maintenance costs.

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Stationary Test Head

The Wilson VH3100 significantly reduces system complexity with indenter, objectives and overview camera at fixed positions. All turret positioning is handled by the highspeed stage, while the test head stays stationary. The lack of moving parts, actuators and sensors, simplify adjustments and reduce service needs.

The optional built-in high resolution overview camera allows easy navigation over the specimen and accurately position indents.











Accurate & Flexible Load

• High precision closed loop system for 50gf - 10kgf load range

Safety

 Resist breakage of an indenter or objective with the Collision Resistant System for indenter and objectives

Virtual Turret

- No moving parts in the test head means reduced error sources
- Two objectives with zoom capability and an optional overview camera

Best in Class Optics

- Microscope quality optics
- Long working distance optics

Fast & Accurate Stage

• Incredibly fast motorized stage with 5µm or better repeatability

Large Capacity

- Three different height options
- Up to 8.26in [215mm] vertical capacity



Part Number	Description
W3101	VH3100 Automatic Knoop/Vickers hardness tester
W3100A01	Minuteman Full-automatic Software package
W3100A02	WinControl Full-automatic Software package
W3100B01	Media HW package - Touch screen
W3100B02	Media HW package - Standalone LCD monitor
W3100C02	Large High Speed Automatic XY Stage 180x180mm
W3100C03	Extra large High Speed Automatic XY Stage 300x180mm
W3100E02	Loadcell 10kg integrated

Accessories W3100F01 W3100G01 W3100G02 W3100G02A W9100687	VH3100 - Overview camera high resolution Standard fixed mounted indenter holder Snap Grip indenter holder - start kit Snap Grip additional indenter holder Tukon/VH Vickers indenter 136° certified	W5XLWD W10XLWD W20XLWD W40XLWD W50XLWD	5X Long Working Distance objective 10X Long Working Distance objective 20X Long Working Distance objective 40X Long Working Distance objective 50X Long Working Distance objective
W9100687	Tukon/VH Vickers indenter 136° certified	W50XLWD	50X Long Working Distance objective
W9100684	Tukon/VH Knoop indenter 172° certified	W100XLWD	100X Long Working Distance objective



KNOOP/VICKERS HARDNESS TESTERS

Vises for Vickers/Knoop Hardness Testers

Universal Clamping & Leveling Device



9000-86323

Vertical Clamp



9000-86167

Wire Testing Fixture



9000-85144

Universal Vise, 2in [50mm]



1600-2253

Thin Metal Clamp



9000-85128

"V" Testing Cradle



9000-85129

Special "V" Testing Cradle



9000-85253

Turntable Vise



9000-85130

Additional Vises

9100-258 Precision vice for specimens up to 3.93 x 3.93in [100 x 100mm]

9100-260 Axel chuck

9170-507 Manual XY stage with digital micrometers for Tukon™ 1102/1202, and KV400 series

EZ Clamp



9100-773

Single Mount Holder and Leveling device for 1in mounts

Single Mount Holder and Leveling device for 9100-774 1.25in mounts

9100-775 Single Mount Holder and Leveling device for 1.5in mounts

9100-570 Mount Cap for 1in mounts (requires Canister) 9100-571 Mount Cap for 1.25in mounts (requires

Canister)

9100-572 Mount Cap for 1.5in mounts (requires Canister) Mount Cap for 2in mounts (requires Canister) 9100-576

9100-575 Canister (requires cap selection)

9100-574 Magnetic Stop Stage mount and hardware for

single mount holders

Regional Accessories for Vickers/Knoop Hardness Testers





Vises and Clamping Devices

88-6168	Self leveling vise for round mounted samples (without insert)
88-6169	4x Self leveling vise for round mounted samples (without insert)
88-6170	Ø 1in [25mm] insert for 88-6168 and 88-6169
88-6171	Ø 30mm insert for 88-6168 and 88-6169
88-6172	Ø 40mm insert for 88-6168 and 88-6169
88-6173	Ø 1.25in insert for 88-6168 and 88-6169
88-6174	Ø 1.5in insert for 88-6168 and 88-6169
88-6176	Self leveling vise for Ø 50mm round mounted samples
88-6175	4x Self leveling vise for Ø 50mm round mounted samples

1600-1155 Universal Precision Vise, 50mm maximum capacity

Universal Precision Vise, 45mm maximum capacity (810-016) 1600-2254

1600-1-0018 Universal Precision Vise, 100mm maximum capacity

1600-1151 Universal Inclining Holder with tilt control (40mm maximum capacity, height: 82mm)

Various Accessories

88-6340 Vibration damping support for microhardness testers, 330mm W x 440mm D x 50mm H,

black polymer with rubber elements for reducing vibration

JU-TWKII Vibration isolated table, massive artificial stone, 900mm W x 600mm D x 750mm H









UNIVERSAL HARDNESS TESTERS



Our Universal Hardness Testers are equipped with a closed-loop load system, eliminating overshoot and combining a fully-automatic controlled test cycle with a wide load range. The built-in optics allow for easy Brinell and Vickers indent evaluation and a complete Rockwell® cycle is initiated by the push of a button.

UH930 Universal Hardness Tester





- Load cell technology for accurate and efficient results
- Automatic test cycle for quick processing
- Durable industrial design to withstand harsh environment
- High clamping force system for safe testing of both small and very large parts
- Integrated optics
- User friendly



Approx. Weight: 440 lbs [200kg]

UH930

Hardness scales	Brinell, Vickers, Rockwell, Super-Rockwell (HB, HV, HR)		
Main-load	1 - 250kgf		
Test cycle type	Electronic closed-loop loadcell		
Vertical test capacity	11.8in [300mm]		
Horizontal test capacity	5.9in [150mm]		
Optics	Glassmat projection screen		
Objectives (optional)	Interchangeable 20X, 44X, 70X, 140X magnification		
Indenters (optional)	Brinell Balls: 1, 2.5, 5, 10mm Vickers Diamond: 136° Rockwell: Diamond Cone 120°, Balls: 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in		
Data-out	RS232		
User interface	Dual-language 4.7in LCD (EN, DE)		
Standards Compliant	ISO 6506, ISO 6507, ISO 6508, ASTM E18, ASTM E92, ASTM E10, and JIS		
Power	220 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz		

Part Number	Description	Region
WHUH930	UH930 main unit	2, 3

Accessories			
9110-401	Objective 20x	9110-121	indenter 2.5mm carbide ball with certificate
9110-402	Objective 44x	9110-120	indenter 1mm carbide ball with certificate
9110-403	Objective 70x	9110-200	V-anvil 1-4mm
9110-404	Objective 140x	9110-201	V-anvil 3-10mm
9110-100	Indenter Rockwell - with certificate	9110-202	V-anvil 7-20mm
9110-106	Indenter Rockwell - Ball 1/16in	9110-203	V-anvil 15-45mm
9110-107	Indenter Rockwell - Ball 1/8in	9110-204	V-anvil 20-60mm
9110-108	Indenter Rockwell - Ball 1/4in	9110-205	V-anvil 60-150mm
9110-109	Indenter Rockwell - Ball 1/2in	9110-213	Testing table diameter 235mm
9110-140	Indenter Vickers - with certificate	9110-220	XY stage 25mm x 25mm, manual
9110-123	indenter 10mm carbide ball with certificate	9110-216	Vice, opening 0-80mm
9110-122	indenter 5mm carbide ball with certificate	Contact us for m	nore accessories



UH250 Universal Hardness Tester

- Closed-loop system for quick and highly accurate test results
- Automatic test cycle for quick processing
- Automatic evaluation of the indent (optional)
- High clamping force system for safe testing of both small and very large parts
- Various levels of automation available
- Wide load range
- Integrated optics



Approx. Weight: 507 lbs [230kg]

UH250

Hardness scales	Brinell, Vickers, Rockwell, Super-Rockwell (HB, HV, HR)
Main-load	1 - 250kgf
Test cycle type	Electronic closed-loop loadcell
Vertical test capacity	12.6in [320mm]
Horizontal test capacity	8.4in [215mm]
Optics	5 mega-pixel camera with zoom & autofocus
Objectives (optional)	Interchangeable 5X, 10X, 20X (for 75 - 1200x magnification range)
Indenters (optional)	Brinell Balls: 1, 2.5, 5, 10mm Vickers Diamond: 136° Rockwell: Diamond Cone 120°, Balls: 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in
Data-out	PC Software
User interface	IPC-touchscreen or PC screen
Camera Software	Options available from basic camera kit to full automatic system. Contact your local Buehler representative for more information
Standards Compliant	ISO 6506, ISO 6507, ISO 6508, ISO 4545, ASTM E18, ASTM E92, ASTM E10 and JIS
Power	100 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz

Part Number	Description
W703411	UH250 version A optical and depth measurement, with standard PC
W703412	UH250 version B optical measurement only, with standard PC
W703414	UH250 version D optical and depth measurement, with touch screen PC

Accessories

W5XLWD Lens 5x; max 300x magnification
W10XLWD Lens 10x; max 600x magnification
W20XLWD Lens 20x; max 1200x magnification

W868098 W741084 Auto/measuring module Motorised XY-stage incl. Controller hub









UH750/3000 Universal Hardness Tester

- Test Brinell, Vickers and Rockwell with one system
- Extremely fast testing cycles
- High clamping force system for safety testing of both small and large parts
- 8 position modular turret
- 3500kg clamping force

	UH751	UH3001	UH753	UH3003	
Hardness scales	Brinell, Vickers, Rockwell (HB, HV, HR)				
Main-load	3 - 750kgf	20 - 3000kgf	3 - 750kgf	20 - 3000kgf	
Test cycle type		Electronic close	ed-loop loadcell		
Spindel	Ma	anual	Mot	torized	
Vertical test capacity		[470mm] pindle floor hole)	19.7in	[500mm]	A
Horizontal test capacity		11.8in	[300mm]		
Turret	V	ertical built-in autom	atic turret - 8 posit	tions	
Optics	5	mega-pixel camera	with zoom & autof	ocus	
Objectives (optional)	2x for Range 0.48 - 6.0mm 5x for Range 0.19 - 3.0mm 10x for Range 0.10 - 1.5mm				
Indenters (optional)	Brinell Balls: 2.5, 5, 10mm Vickers Diamond: 136° Rockwell: Diamond Cone: 120°, Balls: 1/16in, 1/8in, 1/4in, 1/2in				
Data-out	PC Software				
User interface	IPC-touchscreen or PC screen				
Camera Software	Options available from basic camera kit to fully automatic system. Contact your local Buehler representative for more information				
Standards Compliant	ISO 6506, ISO 6507, ISO 6508, ASTM E18, ASTM E92, ASTM E10, and JIS				
Power	230V, 50/60Hz	400VAC, 50/60Hz, 3 phase	230V, 50/60Hz	400VAC, 50/60Hz, 3 phase	



Approx. Weight: 2204.6 lbs [1000kg]



Approx. Weight: 1874 lbs [850kg]

Part Number	Description
703631	Universal tester UH751, manual spindle
703651	Universal tester UH753, motorized Z-axis
703630	Universal tester UH3001, manual spindle
703650	Universal tester UH3003, motorized Z-axis

Accessories			
W868098	Auto/measuring module	741193	Indenter Vickers - diamond pyramid 136°
703630720	Objective holder (one per objective)	741194	Indenter Rockwell - Diamond cone 120°
951503	Objective 2x	741195	Indenter Rockwell - Ball 1/16in
951504	Objective 5x	740076	Indenter 2.5mm carbide ball
951805	Objective 10x	740063	Indenter 5.0mm carbide ball
703630650	Indenter holder (one per indenter)	740064	Indenter 10mm carbide ball



The Brinell test consists of applying a constant load or force, usually between 62.5 and 3000Kgf, for a specified time (from 10 - 30 seconds) using a 2.5, 5 or 10mm diameter tungsten carbide ball. The load time period is required to ensure that plastic flow of the test material has ceased. Lower forces and smaller diameter balls are sometimes used in specific applications. After removal of the load, the resultant recovered round impression is measured across diagonals at right angles and is usually recorded millimeters using a low-power microscope or an automatic measuring device.

The actual Brinell Hardness Number (BHN) is calculated by factoring the indent size and the test force however it is not necessary to make the actual calculation for each test. The BH3000 tester can calculate Brinell hardness directly by simply typing in the indent size measured using the external measuring microscope. Alternatively, we also offer an automatic PC based measurement system.

Applications:

- Steel
- Cast aluminum or other non-ferrous metals
- Castings
- Flat and cylindrical work pieces
- Automotive industry

- Quality or sample testing

BH3000 Brinell Hardness Tester

- High-rigidity, closed-loop load cell system with highly accurate results
- Integrated hardness calculator and conversions
- Heavy duty clamping and protection
- Deep reading microscope (order separetely)

BH3000

Hardness scales	НВ
Main-load	187.5 - 3000kgf
Test cycle type	Electronic closed-loop loadcell
Vertical test capacity	11.0in [280mm]
Horizontal test capacity	5.0in [130mm]
Optics (optional)	External measuring microscope; mechanical 20x, 40x or 60x, digital King

Indenters (optional) Brinell Balls: 2.5, 5, 10mm Data-out RS232 User interface Dual-language 4.7in LCD (EN, DE) Standards Compliant ISO 6506, ASTM E10, JIS Power 100 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz



Approx. Weight: 550 lbs [250kg]



Part Number	Description	
WHBH3000	BH3000 main unit	

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Accessories			
Y300013	Brinell microscope 20X with LED light source	9110-122	indenter 5mm carbide ball with certificate
Y300015	Brinell microscope 40X with LED light source	9110-121	indenter 2.5mm carbide ball with certificate
Y300017	Brinell microscope 60X with LED light source	900000485 1	10mm Tungsten Carbide Ball with NVLAP
WS8314B	King Scan IV - Computer Based Automatic		certificate (qty 2)
	Brinell Measurement System	900000595 1	5mm Tungsten Carbide Ball with NVLAP
9110-213	Testing table diameter 235mm		certificate (qty 2)
9110-123	indenter 10mm carbide ball with certificate	900007350 1	10mm Ball Retainer, MJ, L, K, KDR, AP, & CLB3









DynaTestor M495 Portable UCI Vickers Hardness Tester







Portable UCI tester that is suitable for hardness testing on coated and/or very large structures made of fine-grained metals, plastics, and ceramics.

- Displays Vickers, Rockwell and Brinell hardness values
- Easy-to-use menu with full-color LCD
- Exchangeable UCI probes with loads from 10, 20, 30, 49, 98N (select)

M495

Hardness scales	Vickers HV 10 - 3000 (direct) Rockwell HRC 20 - 68 (conversion) Rockwell HRB 41 - 99.5 (conversion) Brinell HB 76 - 447 (conversion) UTS N/mm2 255 - 2180 (conversion)
Test cycle type	UCI method with vickers diamond (angle 136°)
Operating Time	Up to 8 hours on high-power battery
Data-out	USB-Host, USB-Device, RS232, 10/100 MBit Ethernet
Standards Compliant	ASTM A 1038 and DIN 50159
Power	100 - 240VAC, 60/50Hz + battery

Part Number	Description
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M495	M495 Processor/display unit excl. probe
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Accessories

M49504	Probe test load 10N	M49512	Probe test load 98N
M49506	Probe test load 20N	YWHV40006	Test anvil for flat samples
M49508	Probe test load 30N	YWHV40009	Test anvil for round samples dia 10-50mm
M49510	Probe test load 49N	YWHV40012	Test anvil for round samples dia 50-250mm

M295 Portable Leeb Hardness Tester





- For on-site testing in workshops and field operations
- Compact and lightweight
- Direct reading on large LCD
- Interchangeable probe with 6 available probe types

M295

Hardness scales	HL(X), HRA, HRB, HRC, HV, HB, HS
Test Load Probes	D-type standard, DC, D+15, DL, C, G optional
Test cycle type	Rebound method
Workpiece Minimum Weight	1.5kg on solid support (0.1kg with couplant paste)
Workpiece Maximum Hardness Value	940HV
Workpiece Radius (Convex/Concave)	Rmin = 50mm (with support ring Rmin = 10mm)
Data-out	RS232
Standards Compliant	DIN 50156
Power	2 × AA battery 1.5V (low battery warning)

Part Number	Description
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M295	M295 Portable Leeb set, incl. probe & calibration bloc

Accessories

YM295D	Impact device D with cable with connector	YM295C	Impact device C with cable with connector
YM295DC	Impact device DC with cable with connector	YM295G	Impact device G with cable with connector
YM295D+15	Impact device D+15 with cable with connector	YM295CL	Cable for impact devices with Lemo connector
YM295DL	ilpact device DL with cable with connector	YWHV40012	Test anvil for round samples dia 50-250mm





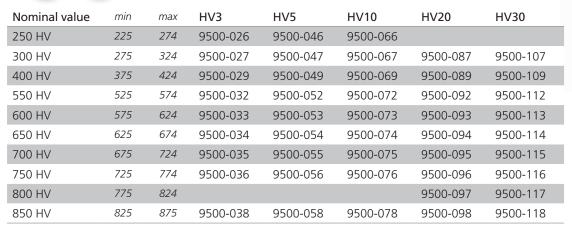
HARDNESS REFERENCE BLOCKS FOR CALIBRATION

High quality Wilson® hardness standardized test blocks from Buehler® are calibrated in compliance with ASTM E384, ASTM E18, ASTM E10, ISO 6507, ISO 6508, or ISO 6506 where appropriate. Rockwell C standardized test blocks are directly NIST traceable. All calibrations and certifications are performed in an ISO/IEC 17025 compliant facility.

Knoop/Vickers Reference Blocks









Nominal value	min	max	HV0.1	HV0.3	HV0.5	HV1
250 HV	225	274	9700-006	9600-046	9600-026	9600-006
300 HV	275	324	9700-008	9600-047	9600-028	9600-007
400 HV	375	424	9700-010	9600-048	9600-029	9600-009
550 HV	525	574	9700-012	9600-052	9600-032	9600-012
600 HV	575	624	9700-013	9600-053	9600-033	9600-013
650 HV	625	674	9700-014	9600-054	9600-034	9600-014
700 HV	675	724	9700-015	9600-055	9600-035	9600-015
750 HV	725	774	9700-016	9600-056	9600-036	9600-016
850 HV	825	875	9700-018	9600-058	9600-038	9600-018



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Brinell Reference Blocks

Brinell reference blocks up to 250kgf load

Nominal value	min	max	HBW2.5/62.5 scale	HBW2.5/187.5 scale	HBW5/250 scale
140 HBW	115	169	WH-140HBW-625	WH-140HBW-1875	WH-140HBW-250
200 HBW	170	224	WH-200HBW-625	WH-200HBW-1875	WH-200HBW-250
250 HBW	225	274	WH-250HBW-625	WH-250HBW-1875	WH-250HBW-250
300 HBW	275	324		WH-300HBW-1875	
350 HBW	325	375		WH-350HBW-1875	
400 HBW	375	449		WH-400HBW-1875	
500 HBW	450	525		WH-500HBW-1875	













Other Brinell scales that use 1mm, 2.5mm, 5mm or 10mm ball indenters [†]

1mm or 2.5mm ball indenter WHSMLBRIN 1

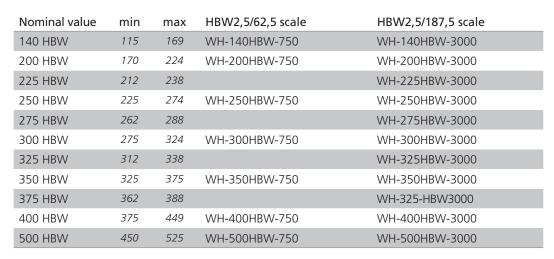
5mm or 10mm ball indenter WHSPECBRIN 1

Brinell reference blocks up to 3000kgf load

The Buehler® Hardness Calibration Laboratory is accredited to ISO / IEC 17025 by A2LA

- XL size: 6 x 4.5 x 0.7in [152 x 114 x 18mm]
- Block weight ± 2kg
- Engraved pattern according to NADCAP

All hardness values are nominal values. The delivered values will vary between Min-Max values as indicated.



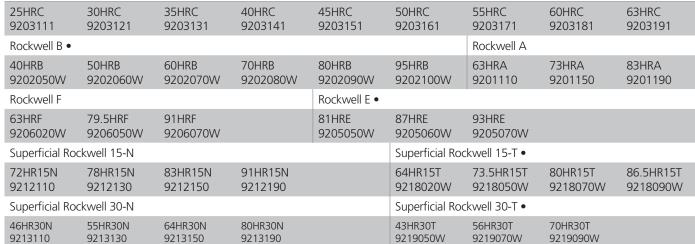


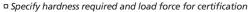
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- Block size: Ø 60mm x 9mm
- Block weight: ± 0.3kg

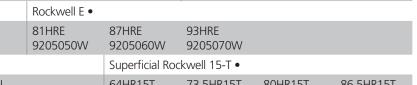
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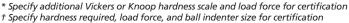






- Certified using a Tungsten Carbide ball indenter









Hardness Tester Accessories for Legacy Rockwell® Hardness Testers (MacroMet™ 5100 Series)

1700-1020WC 1700-1021WC 1700-1022WC	1/16in WC Penetrator with WC Ball 1/8in WC Penetrator with WC Ball 1/4in WC Penetrator with WC Ball	1800-1015	Scales on MacroMet 5100 Series Rockwell Diamond Indenter for C, D, and A Scales on MacroMet 5100 Series
1700-1023WC	1/2in WC Penetrator with WC Ball	1700-1043	Anvil, Small V-Shape, 0.39in [10mm] diameter
1700-1024WC	3/4in WC Penetrator with WC Ball	1700-1044	Anvil, Round Table, 7.9in [200mm] diameter
1700-1020	1/16in Steel Ball Penetrator with 50 Steel Balls	1700-1046	Anvil, Diamond Spot
1700-1021	1/8in Steel Ball Penetrator with 8 Steel Balls	1700-1047	Anvil, 0.19in [5mm] Taper Spot
1700-1022	1/4in Steel Ball Penetrator with 4 Steel Balls	1700-1048	Anvil, V, 3.5in [90mm] diameter
1700-1023	1/2in Steel Ball Penetrator with 4 Steel Balls	1700-1091	Anvil, Extension Rest
1700-1024	3/4in Steel Ball Penetrator with 4 Steel Balls	1700-1094	Jack Rest for 1800-5101RA and 1800-5101TA
1800-1005	Rockwell Superficial Diamond Indenter for N		Testers
	Scale on MacroMet 5100 Series	1700-1095	Jominy Test Fixture
1800-1007	Rockwell Diamond Indenter for A Scale on	1600-6502	Dot matrix printer for letter size plain paper or
	MacroMet 5100 Series		10in roll paper
1800-1009	Rockwell Diamond Indenter for C Scale on	1600-6503	Kit for connection of 5100 series digital
	MacroMet 5100 Series		hardness tester to a PC for data download
1800-1010	Rockwell Diamond Indenter for C, D, A, and N		

Vises for Legacy Knoop/Vickers Hardness Testers

1600-2251	Clamping device for thin specimens	1600-2410	Standard Self Leveling Vise with 1in, 1.25in,
1600-2253	Universal vise, 2in [50mm]		1.5in and 2in rings
1600-2257	Clamping device for vertical specimens	1600-2411	Metric Self Leveling Vise with 25mm, 30mm,
1600-2396	Self Leveling Vise		40mm and 50mm rings

Spares for Legacy Testers

Indenters for Legacy Testers:

	1600-3200 1600-3201 1600-3202	Vickers for MicroMet [™] 5100 Series Testers Knoop for MicroMet 5100 Series Testers Light-load Vickers for MicroMet 5114 & 5124	1600-9200 ^{2, 3} 1600-9201 ^{2, 3} 1600-9120 ^{2, 3}	Vickers for MicroMet 5100 Series Testers Knoop for MicroMet 5100 Series Testers Vickers for Semi- and MacroVickers 2100 Series
	1600-3203	Light-load Knoop for MicroMet 5114 & 5124	1600 0131 23	eariler testers
	1600-1159 1600-1160	Vickers for IndentaMet 1104, 1105 & 1106 Knoop for IndentaMet 1104, 1105 & 1106	1600-9121 ^{2, 3}	Knoop for Semi- and MacroVickers 2100 Series eariler testers
	1900-3200	Vickers Indenter for 5100 Series Macro & Semi- Macro	1600-9300 ^{2, 3}	Vickers for Semi- and MacroVickers 5100 Series Testers
	1900-3201	Knoop Indenter for 5100 Series Macro & Semi- Macro	1600-9301 ^{2, 3}	Knoop for Semi- and MacroVickers 5100 Series Testers
	1600-3202	Light Load Vickers for MicroMet 5114	1600-1159 ^{2, 3}	Vickers for IndentaMet [™] Microindentation
	1600-3203	Light Load Knoop for MicroMet 5114		series
			1600-1160 ^{2, 3}	Knoop for IndentaMet Microindentation series
Indenters for Legacy Testers with UKAS/United Kingdom certificate:		1600-1169 ^{2, 3}	Vickers for IndentaMet Semi- and MacroVickers series	
			1600-1170 ^{2, 3}	Knoop for IndentaMet Semi- and MacroVickers
	1600-9100 ^{2, 3}	Vickers for MicroMet 2100 Series and earlier testers		series
		Knoop for MicroMet 2100 Series and earlier testers	Special Indente	rs for Semi- and MacroVickers 5100 series:
			1600-3209 ^{2, 3}	Brinell indenter with hard metal ball 1mm Ø







Replacement Bulbs

0718-0116 1600-1350 1600-1351 1600-1353	12V/50W bulb for MicroMet [™] 5100 Series MicroMet I Bulb, Indicator Lights MicroMet I Bulb, Stage Illuminator 6V/10W bulb for MicroMet I, Microscope Illumination
1600-2352 1600-2353	6V/18W bulb for MicroMet II, I, 3, 4 & 2001 4.5V/17W Fiber Optic Illuminator for MicroMet 2003
1600-2354 1600-2355 1700-1051	4.5V/17W Alpha for MicroMet 2000 12V/18W bulb for MicroMet 2100 Series 100V/5W Stage Illuminator Bulb for Rockwell Test

Accessories and Spare Parts for MacroMet™:

series and earlier

1800-1010 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell® Indenter 120° for C, D, A and N Scales
	for MacroMet 5100 series
19BAA074 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell Ball Indenter 1/16in for MacroMet 5100
	series (includes sintered carbide ball)
19BAA075 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell Ball Indenter 1/8in for MacroMet 5100
	series (includes sintered carbide ball)
19BAA076 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell Ball Indenter 1/4in for MacroMet 5100
	series (includes sintered carbide ball)
19BAA077 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell Ball Indenter 1/2in for MacroMet 5100
	series (includes sintered carbide ball)
1700-1015 ^{2, 3}	Rockwell Indenter 120° for MacroMet 3100
	series and earlier
1700-1020 2, 3	Rockwell Ball Indenter 1/16in for MacroMet 3100

Calibration and Verification

Buehler® is committed to providing a superior range and level of support services to its customers. Buehler, the world's leading manufacturer of hardness testing equipment, has been in the forefront of manufacturing and servicing a comprehensive range of hardness testers manufactured by Wilson Instruments, Wolpert and Reicherter for over 85 years.

Buehler offers an extensive range of calibration and verification services for hardness testing instruments and related quipment. Buehler's factory trained service engineers are uniquely qualified to not only perform accredited calibrations, but to also provide expert preventive maintenance, adjustments and repairs using parts from the factory that meet original equipment specs. This extends the life of your equipment and optimizes its accuracy and reliability.



HARDNESS TESTING - LEGACY WILSON®, WOLPERT, REICHERTER

Reicherter has been founded in 1899 at Esslingen am Neckar, Germany. With more than 40,000 installations Reicherter hardness and spring testing machines have earned the trust of users worldwide. Systems such as Brivisor, Briviskop Briro and are well known in laboratories for quality control, research and development, and testing and measuring laboratories.

Founded in 1920, Wilson Hardness is the world leader in the hardness testing industry. Wilson introduced the first Rockwell® tester to the market over 80 years ago. The company then went on to develop the legendary Tukon™ line of micro-indentation testers - the industry standard for Knoop and Vickers testing.

Wolpert, a well-known name in the hardness testing industry, is known for the practical designs which meet the needs of every hardness testing application. Since its founding in 1927 at Ludwigshafen as Otto Wolpert Werke, Wolpert stands for hardness testing machines that are characterized by a stable structure, high test accuracy and ease of use.

Buehler® was founded in 1936 in the USA by Adolph Buehler, a Swiss immigrant who saw a need for metallographic sample preparation equipment and optical inspection instruments for the steel and automotive industries in the USA. He produced world's first Mounting Press.

In 2012, Buehler, Wilson, Wolpert and Reicherter merged within ITW Test & Measurement. Our products are used throughout the world in manufacturing facilities, quality laboratories, and universities to analyze all types of materials, including those used in Aerospace and Defense. Automotive. Medical. Ceramic, Plastics, Composites, Education, Electronics, Energy, Primary Metal and more.











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Did You Know?

Hardness testing is used in quality and research and development across many industries. Hardness is a material's resistance to permanent deformation, indicated by measurement of the indent induced in a material from a load applied via an indenter of known geometry. A material's hardness can help determine if the material is well matched to the application, properly manufactured and suitably graded. When selecting a hardness tester, consider the size and shape of the sample, conditions of the test area and the volume of tests required.

Several factors may influence the accuracy and precision of microindentation hardness testing.

Instrument Factors

- Accuracy of the applied load
- Inertia effects, speed of loading
- Lateral movement of the indenter or specimen
- Indentation time
- Indenter shape deviations
- Damage to the indenter
- Inadequate spacing between indents or form edges
- Angle of indentation

Measurement Factors

- Calibration of the measurement system
- Numerical aperture of the objective
- Magnification
- Inadequate image quality
- Uniformity of illumination
- Distortion in optics
- Operator's visual acuity
- Focusing of the image

Material Factors

- Heterogenity of the specimen
- Strength of crystallographic texture, if present
- Quality of specimen preparation
- Low reflectivity or transparency
- Creep during indentation
- Fracture during indentation
- Oil, grease or dirt on indenter or specimen





