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Operation Manual for Fat Analyzer FA-5



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Safety Declaration

The protective function of this instrument can be impaired if the method adopted by the user during the operation procedure is not the same as the method specified by the manufacturer.

1.Safety regulations of lab should be strictly observed and all kinds of solvent should be placed with care during analysis procedure. Furthermore, solvent should be kept in proper material chosen based on the safety explanations in the solvent manual. Besides, users must pay attention to eye protection during procedure.

2.The organic solvent should avoid to be exposed to the condition with fire or static electricity, for there is a risk of explosion in placing organic solvent!

3.The cover or plate should be removed only by the qualified personnel.

4.This instrument is equipped with three-phase plug, which is required to be connected to a grounded power socket.

5.To avoid the possible burns, do not touch the surface of the stainless steel and beaker that are hot during heating procedure.

6.Disconnect the power supply in prior to replacing the fuse.

I. Summary

FA-5 Fat Analyzer, based on the Soxhlet extraction principle, is a full-automatic crude fat analyzer designed according to international GB/T 14772-2008. Being an ideal instrument for fat determination in industries like food, fuel and feed, it can also apply to the extraction and determination of soluble organic compound in different fields such as agriculture, environment and industry.

1.1 Features

- (a) Automation is realized during working procedure, and the only requirement is to weigh the sample by the user;
- (b) This instrument uses color touch screen of big size for displaying;
- (c) Five extraction methods: Soxhlet standard extraction, Soxhlet hot extraction, continuous flow, hot extraction and CH standard hot extraction;
- (d) Ether leaking warning;
- (e) Experiment result can be calculated and printed;
- (f) This instrument uses anti-corrosion treatment materials.

1.2 Application Scope

Determine the crude fat content in many samples, including food, feed, grain and seeds, with the measurement scope between 0.1%-100%;

Extract the lipid from waste water and sludge;

Extract the SVOC, like herbicides and pesticides, from soils;

Extract the plasticizer in plastic, the rosin in paper and paper boards, and the oil in leather;

Conduct digestion pretreatment to solid samples for the gas or liquid chromatography procedure;

Used in other tests like extraction of soluble organic compound or

determination of crude fat.

II. Performance

Technical data

1. Temperature range: Room temp. +5°C-300°C
2. Heating power: 2,600W
3. Rated power: 2,600W
4. Capacity per batch: 6pcs./batch
5. Solvent recovery: $\geq 85\%$
6. Measurement speed: 1.5-2 hours, depend on sample type
7. Date storage capacity: 1000sets;
8. Normal working condition
 - a) Ambient temperature: (5~30)°C
 - b) RH: not more than 80%
 - c) Power supply: AC (220±22) V; (50±1) Hz
 - d) No interference of electromagnetic field, except geomagnetic field
 - e) Good ventilation conditions
- 9: Dimension (mm): 605×334×740
- 10: Weight (kg): 61Kg

III. Structure



Fig.1

1 Sealing nuts 2 Extraction room 3 Heating plate 4 Heating cup (see Fig.2)
5 Power switch 6 Lifting switch 7 Color touch screen

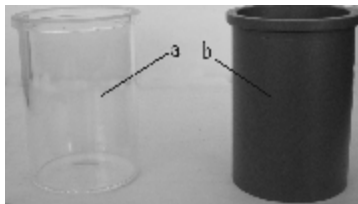


Fig.2

a Glass heating cup b Fluorine coated heating cup

Note: if heating temperature is lower than 260°C, please use easy cleaning

fluorine coated heating cup; otherwise, glass heating cup.

IV. Operation

4.1 Installation

4.1.1 Installation Conditions

1. Input voltage: AC 220 V 50 Hz; an air switch, a leakage protector, and a reliable earth wire must be provided;
2. This instrument should be mounted near water source and drain tank on the work position equipped with power socket;
3. Power configurations should meet power-up requirements, so electrical overload can be avoided; power supply should be grounded and has single power switch and safety device, so operator's safety is guaranteed during electrical operation;
4. This instrument should be mounted on the place away from high power consumption devices and free from the powerful EMI interference;
5. This instrument should be mounted on the place with good ventilation conditions.

4.1.2 Installation Steps

This instrument should be mounted smoothly on the work position, with the distance between its back and wall for at least twenty centimeters and distance between machine itself and power socket for no more than one meter. Besides, it should be provided with an air switch and a reliable earth wire.

1. Left side of instrument
 - (a) Leakage protector (it will disconnect automatically to protect instrument when there is too much electricity);
 - (b) Power plug and fuse, and it is the place to connect power and replace

fuse;

(c) Power switch.

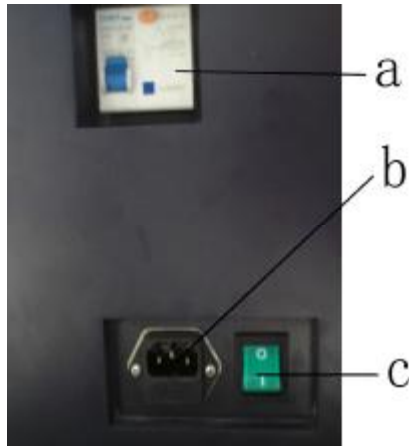


Fig.3

2. Back side of instrument

- a) Condenser pipe outlet: connected with drain tank via rubber hose
- b) Condensate water outlet: connected with drain tank via rubber hose
- c) Condensate water inlet: connected with source of condensate water via inlet tube

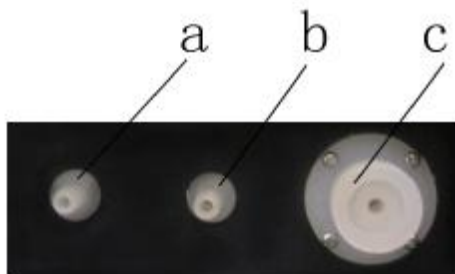


Fig.4

4.2 Function Information

This instrument has five extraction methods: Soxhlet standard extraction, Soxhlet hot extraction, continuous flow, hot extraction and CH standard hot extraction. Users can choose proper extraction method according to different requirements. Take Soxhlet standard extraction for example, after the beginning of test, four icons can be displayed on instrument interface: Extraction Temperature, Remaining Time and Over-temperature Warning, Condensate Water Warning, Ether Leaking Warning and Lifting Function Warning.

The five extraction methods are as follows:

1. Soxhlet standard extraction: it exactly follows the Soxhlet method;
2. Soxhlet hot extraction: based on the Soxhlet standard extraction, it adopts double heating model, namely heating extraction cup and solvent in extraction room simultaneously, to improve extraction efficiency;
3. Hot extraction: it adopts double heating model to keep sample in hot solvent;
4. Continuous flow: it makes magnetic valve open all the time, so condensed solvent will directly flow into heating cup through extraction room;
5. CH standard hot extraction: based on the Soxhlet hot extraction, it will rinse the devices automatically after the end of test.

4.2.1 Start

Plug in, turn on power switch and controller switch in turn, then instrument begins self-inspection, Start-Up Figure will be displayed later, as shown in Fig.5.



Fig.5

Subsequently, the instrument enters into measurement state called the initial state, as shown in Fig.6, from which all operations on the instrument start. This function menu includes six items: **Test**, **Solvent Recover**, **Setup**, **Calculate**, **Search** and **Help**. Users can click the icons to enter into the corresponding interface.



Fig.6

4.2.2 Test

The **Test** menu includes five items: Soxhlet hot extraction, Soxhlet standard extraction, Continuous flow, Hot extraction and CH standard hot extraction. Its interface is shown in Fig.7:

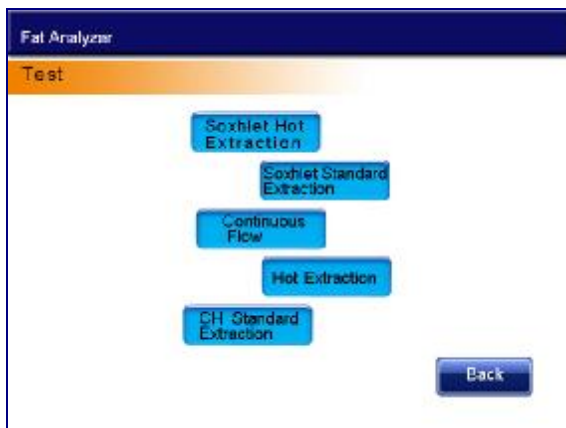


Fig.7

Users can choose proper extraction method according to different test requirements. Test starts after Extraction temperature, Extraction time and Pre-drying time are set. And interfaces of each extraction method are shown as follows from Fig.8 to Fig12.

Fat Analyzer

Test: Soxhlet hot extraction

Extraction Temperature °C

Extraction Time Min

Pre-dryingTime Min

Detailed description: This is a screenshot of a software interface for a Fat Analyzer. The title bar at the top is dark blue with the text 'Fat Analyzer' in white. Below the title bar is a light orange header with the text 'Test: Soxhlet hot extraction'. The main area is white and contains three rows of input fields. Each row consists of a label, an orange rectangular input box, and a unit symbol. The first row is 'Extraction Temperature' followed by '°C'. The second row is 'Extraction Time' followed by 'Min'. The third row is 'Pre-dryingTime' followed by 'Min'. At the bottom of the screen are two blue buttons with white text: 'Confirm' on the left and 'Back' on the right.

Fig.8

Fat Analyzer

Test: Soxhlet Standard extraction

Extraction Temperature °C

Extraction Time Min

Pre-dryingTime Min

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Fig.9

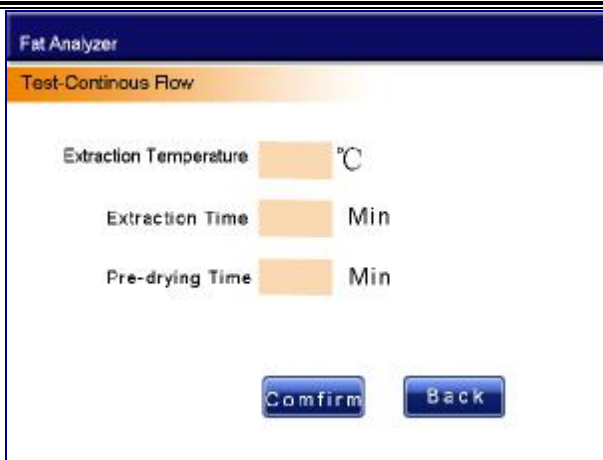


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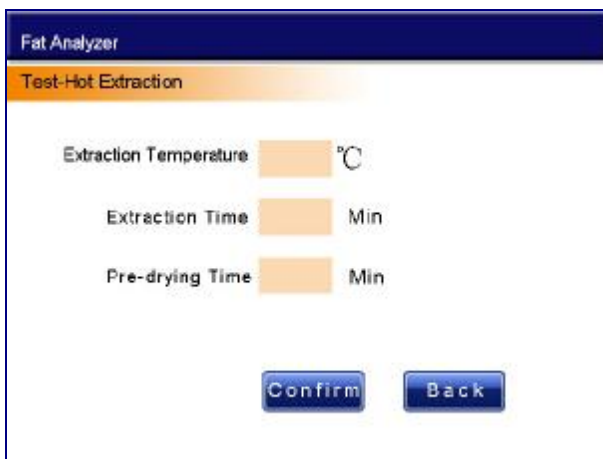


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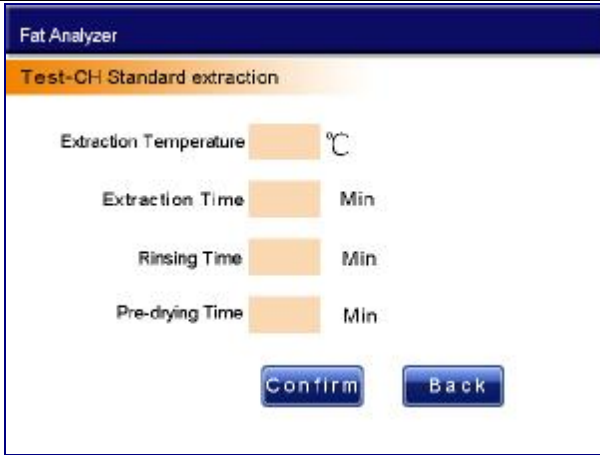


Fig.12

Users can touch the corresponding orange region to set the Extraction Temperature, Extraction Time, Rinsing Time and Pre-drying Time via keyboard, after which a numeric keyboard appears, as shown in Fig.13. Then users can click the numeric key and press **Confirm** to complete the input of one parameter. After setting corresponding parameters, users can press **Confirm** to enter test interface, as shown in Fig.14.

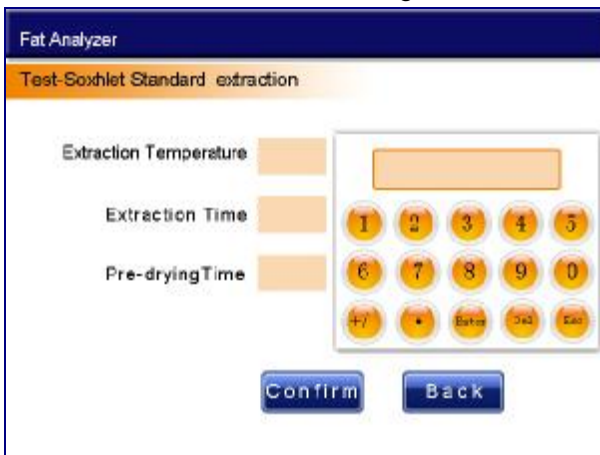


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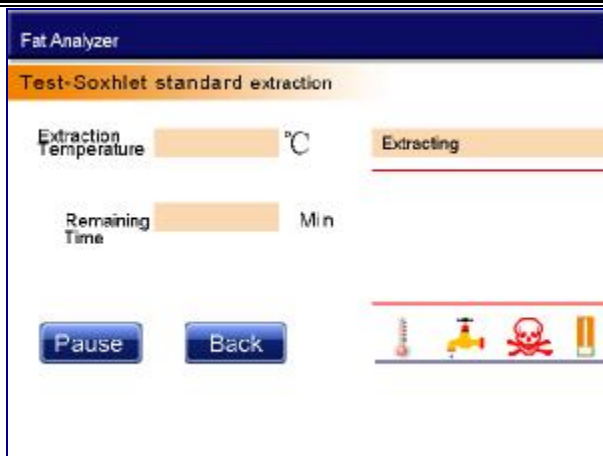


Fig.14

There are four icons on the lower right corner of screen representing system over-temperature, water pressure shortage, solvent leaking and lifting failure respectively. When abnormal cases occur, the responding icon will change, along with warning prompts and screaming sound warning.

During the procedure, users can press **Pause** to pause heating if the test needs. And, users can press **Start** to continue the test, as shown in Fig.15, and users can press **Back** to exit the test.

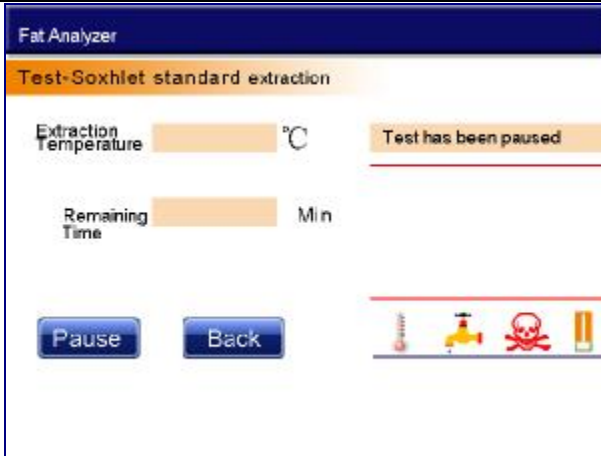


Fig.15

When the setting time is reached, the interface indicates that the test is completed. After this, users can click the **DOWN** icon (shown in Fig.16) or long press lifting switch to low lifting device. And users also can click **Back** to return to the last interface.



Fig.16

4.2.3 Solvent recovery

Users can press the corresponding ON/OFF buttons to recover the solvent in heating cup.



Fig.17

4.2.4 Setup

The **Setup** menu includes three items: **Hardware Test**, **System Setup**, and **System Calibration**. Choose **Setup** in the initial state, the interface appears, as

shown in Fig.18.

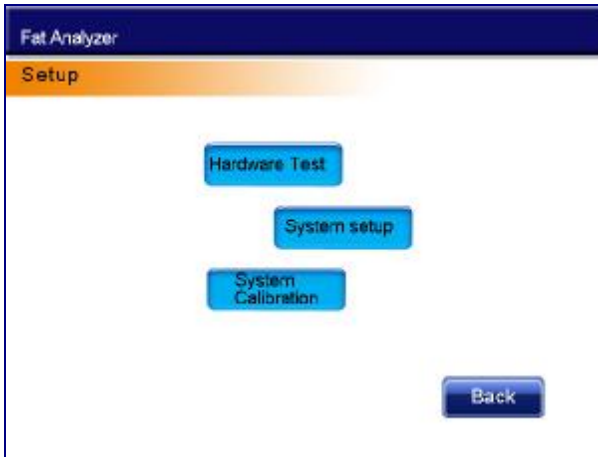


Fig.18

Users can click the **Setup** item to set the corresponding parameter. The setting of each parameter is shown as follows.

4.2.4.1 Choose **Hardware Test**, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.19. The function of this item, which is operated by relevant engineers to test the instrument, can be ignored by users. Users can click **ON/OFF** after each item to check whether corresponding function is normal or not. And a sound can be heard when clicking **ON/OFF** of solvent valve if it is functioning, otherwise, it is not.



Fig.19

4.2.4.2 Users can choose **System Setup** to see the working state of both ether warmer and water tester, and to set Extraction Cycle Time, Hot Extraction Temperature Difference and Solvent Valve Open Time.

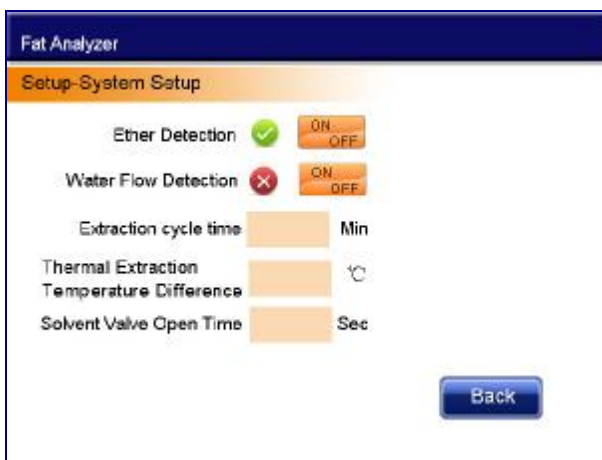


Fig.20

4.2.4.3 Choose **System Calibration**, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.21.

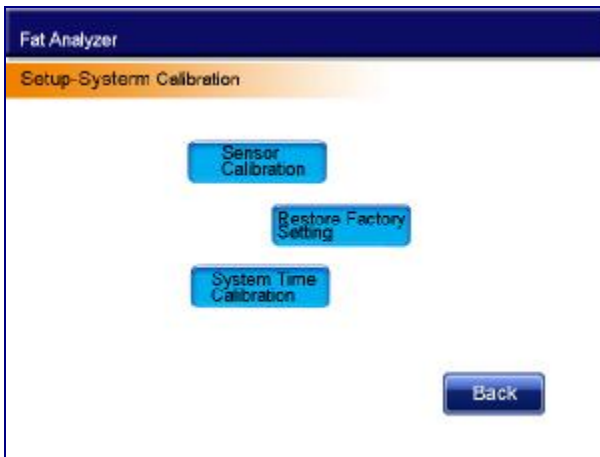


Fig.21

Choose **Sensor Calibration** in the interface of **System Calibration**, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.22.

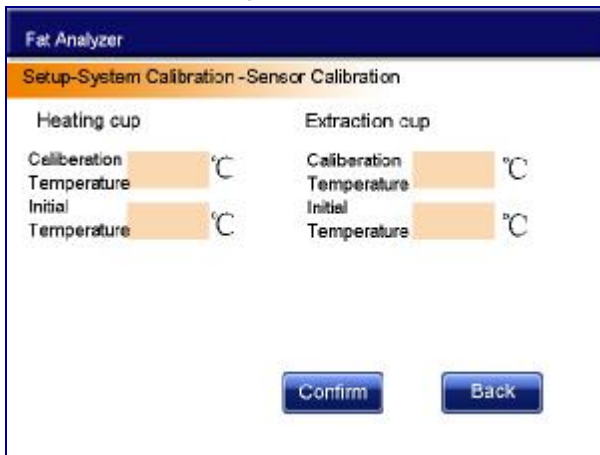


Fig.22

Users can click the yellow region of temperature calibration to input the

actually measured temperature value. After this the temperature calibration of heating cup and extraction cup is achieved. Then users can press Confirm to return to the interface of **System Calibration**.

Choose **System Initialization** in the interface of **System Calibration**, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.23. Press Yes, all system parameters restore to the factory setting.



Fig.23

4.2.4.4 Choose the **System Time Setup**, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.24. Users can click the yellow region and input the corresponding time to achieve system time calibration.

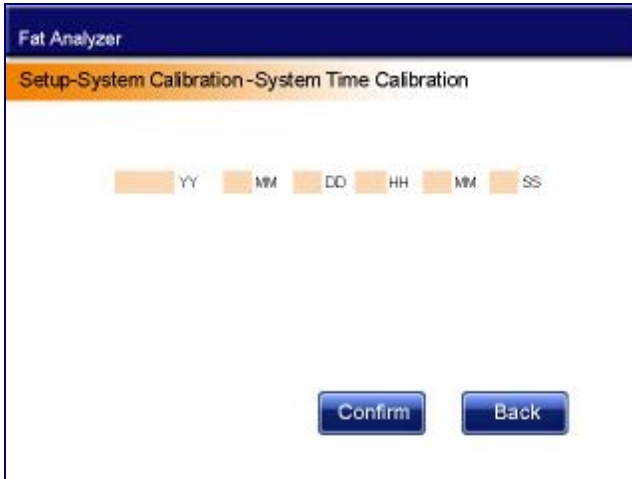


Fig.24

4.2.5 Calculate

Choose the **Calculate** in the initial interface, and the interface appears, as shown in Fig.25. Users can click the yellow region to input the sample No. and weights. Press the **Calculate**, the calculation result appears in the interface, as shown in Fig.26.



Fig.25



Fig.26

4.2.6 Search

Choose **Search** in the initial interface and input the sample No., the search result interface appears, as shown in Fig27 and Fig28.



Fig.27

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Search Result

Sample No.

Sample Weight g

Cup Weight g

Total Weigh g

Fat Content %

Date YY MM DD

Print Back

Fig.28

4.2.7 Help

Choose the **Help** in the initial interface, the interface appears, as shown in Fig.29.



Fig.29

4.3 Pretreatment of sample

4.3.1 Pretreatment of food sample

4.3.1.1 Solid sample: take representative sample for at least 200g, and use a mortar to smash, porphyryze and mix uniformly, then place it in sealed glass container; as to sample hard to smash and porphyryze, cut (scissor) it into particles, and place it in sealed glass container.

4.3.1.2 Powder sample: take representative sample for at least 200g (use a mortar to smash if it is big), mix uniformly and place it in sealed glass container.

4.3.1.3 Mushy sample: take representative sample for at least 200g, mix uniformly and place it in sealed glass container.

4.3.1.4 Solid and liquid sample: take representative sample for at least 200g in accordance with solid and liquid ratio, and smash it with waring blender.

4.3.1.5 Meat product: take representative sample without edible part at least for 200g, and grind it twice with meat grinder, then mix uniformly and place it in sealed glass container.

4.3.2 Pretreatment of feed sample

4.3.2.1 Sample that is already smashed or with low fat content refers to treatment of 4.3.1.

4.3.2.2 Sample that is hard to smash, or with high fat content (over 200g/kg), must go through pre-fetching.

4.4 Sample test

4.4.1 Install the instrument and connect the pipe line.

4.4.2 Take sample m , according to test requirement, and weigh the dry heating cup m_0 ; put the sample in extraction thimble, equipped with the instrument, then place extraction thimble on sample bracket, and put them together into the extraction room with sealing nut tightly screwed.

Take required solvent using graduated cylinder and put it in the extraction

room, place the heating cup on the heating plate.

4.4.4 Open condensate water and start the instrument. And test starts after setting the corresponding parameters. The solvent in heating cup is heated on heating plate, then it volatilizes and gets condensed in condenser, after such it flows back to extraction room, when the setting time is reached, it goes back to heating cup, completing one cycle.

4.4.5 After the end of test, lower lifting device, remove the heating cup and dry it in drying oven. Weigh both fat and heating cup m_1 after it cools down.

4.4.6 Evacuate the liquor, put away the container and recover the solvent.

4.4.7 Calculate the fat content

$$X = \frac{m_1 - m_0}{m} \times 100$$

Where:

X —— fat content of crude fat in sample (g/100g);

m_1 —— weight of both heating cup and crude fat (g);

m_0 —— weight of dry heating cup (g);

m —— sample weight (the weight before mixed with water)(g).

V. Solutions

NO.	Probable Cause	Cause Analysis	Solution
1	No electricity flows through instrument	Burned-out fuse; Loose power cord.	Replace the fuse; Insert the power cord.
2	Solvent gas leaks during test	1. Insufficient flow of condensate water or damaged flow switch; 2. Misplaced or disabled photo-electricity limit switch; 3. Damaged condensate pipe.	Increase the water flow or replace the flow switch; Adjust the position of photo-electricity limit switch; Replace the condensate pipe.
3	Instrument doesn't lift or stay at wrong position in test	1. Damaged lifting system; 2. Wrong position of limit switch.	Report problems to after-sale department of Company; Adjust the position of limit switch.
4	Touch screen is abnormal	1. Poor contact; 2. Damaged touch screen.	Report problems to after-sell department of Company.
5	Device doesn't function correctly or crashes	Check whether there is interference of Strong magnetic field or electric field.	Remove the interference source and restart the instrument.

VI. Maintenance

1. It is necessary to offer good ventilation and radiation as the instrument needs heated during work;
2. It is possible to use the same solvent in short period of one extraction system to avoid cross contamination of solvent;
3. It is important to pay attention to cleanness of the beaker and extraction tube, which should be cleaned at regular intervals.

VII. Supplement

The whole warranty lasts for one year from the date of product sale (starting from the date on invoice), but the following cases are not in warranty:

1. The date over warranty period;
2. The damage caused by misuse;
3. The damage caused by dismantlement without manufacture's permission;
4. The damage caused by improper transportation and storage.

VIII. Cautions

1. Be careful during transportation, for there is glass ware in the instrument;
2. Before internal parts repair, instrument must be switched off and the power cord is unplugged, and the heating system is cooled down;
3. Condensate water outlets must be lower than instrument, so condensate water can be evacuated smoothly;
4. If instrument is out of action for a long time, condensate water in condensate pipe should be evacuated completely;

5. It is possible to use the same solvent in short period of one extraction system to avoid cross contamination of solvent;
6. It is normal to have liquor in instrument, for tests haven been done before delivery;
7. Measures should be taken to avoid liquor from entering into interior of the instrument;
8. To avoid the possibility of burns, don't touch surface of the heating plate that is hot during heating;
9. During test, staff should not leave the lab.

IX. Temperature Value Reference

Affected by both room temperature and heat transfer efficiency between heating plate and beaker, it is necessary to make adjustments in setting extraction temperature. The proper temperature liquid adding rate is about 3-5 drops/sec.

Solvent	Extraction Temperature (°C)
30-60 petroleum ether	80
Ether	60
Acetone	76
dichloromethane	60
Hexane	89
methanol	85
Ethanol	98
chloroform	82
Benzene	100

X. Transportation

The solvent and condensate water inside instrument should be evacuated before the transportation. Steps of water evacuation are as follows:

- a) Start instrument, press Setup and then Hardware Test, and click the ON after Outlet Valve. After that, put inlet tube inside drain tank, which should be lower than instrument at 10 centimeters.
- b) Ventilate water outlet, the condensate water will automatically outflow to the bottom;
- c) After the condensate water is evacuated completely, switch off the power supply and box the instrument.