

QuickBrix™ Portable Refractometer for Food and Beverage

COLUMBUS, Ohio (February 20, 2009) – METTLER TOLEDO is pleased to announce the introduction of Quick-Brix™, a new portable refractometer available in two versions.

Quick-Brix™ 60 is ideal for fruit and vegetable growers to determine the right time for harvesting. For measuring the sugar content – Brix – directly in the orchard, vineyard or field, a drop of juice is squeezed on to the measuring prism, and the result is available at the touch of a button.

Quick-Brix™ 90 has a wider measuring range and a higher accuracy, and is therefore well suited for drink and food manufacturing. Whether incoming raw materials have to be analyzed upon unloading of the delivery vehicle, or quick checks have to be performed next to the production line, Quick-Brix™ 90 is the ideal tool to make sure that food ingredients, such as jam or honey, have the right quality. It also ensures that juice concentrates or tinned food have the right sugar content.

Both instruments come in a rugged, splash-proof design and can therefore be used in dusty or otherwise challenging environments. For cleaning, they can be rinsed under a tap and their small size and weight make them fit any pocket. Operation as well as calibration are simple, one-button operations and can be performed by any farm or production operative. Digital measurement, as opposed to traditional optical Brix measurement, eliminates operator bias, so results become considerably more comparable.



METTLER TOLEDO is a leading global manufacturer of precision instruments. The Company is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of weighing instruments for use in laboratory, industrial and food retailing applications. The Company also holds top-three market positions in several related analytical instruments markets and is a leading provider of automated chemistry systems used in drug and chemical compound discovery and development.

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