



# **Benchtop X-ray diffractometer**

With total dimensions slightly larger than a personal computer, the MiniFlex, is a benchtop diffractometer which incorporates technology usually reserved for much larger, much more expensive systems. Its compact size and exceptional price-to-performance ratio enable MiniFlex users to incorporate XRD analysis into scientific programs where it had previously been considered infeasible due to budgetary or physical location constraints.

The MiniFlex is a compact, portable X-ray diffraction system that can be used both in the laboratory and out in the field. Its unique hermetically sealed console enables trouble-free transportation and simple installation. The MiniFlex's portability and minimal utility requirements make it ideal for use at remote sampling sites in the oil and gas, mining, and construction industries.

For the laboratory, the MiniFlex packs a big instrument punch in a simple, easy-to-use package. A high precision, built in goniometer is factory aligned, simplifying installation and training. Novices can become proficient operators in a short period of time. Outstanding cost to performance ratio ensures exceptional return on investment.

### Radiation enclosure and safety:

When the radiation enclosure door is opened, the X-ray shutter will automatically close. This function completely protects the user from exposure.

#### **Display of instrument status:**

Instrument status is available on demand to monitor the functions of the components.

#### Continuously variable slit:

The continuously variable slit is linked to the  $\theta$ -axis, widening to maintain a constant irradiated area as  $\theta$  becomes larger. This improves the peak-to-background ratio at low  $2\theta$  angles, and increases the X-ray intensity at high  $2\theta$  angles. These improvements are important for the analysis of soils, concretes, and other materials requiring the measurement of large d-spacings and low intensity high angle peaks.



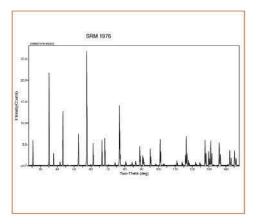
MiniFlex with single holder



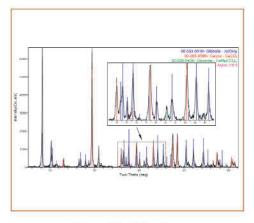
MiniFlex with 6-position sample changer



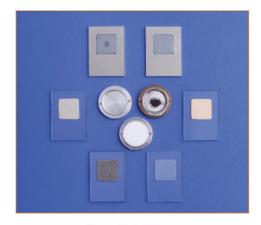
6-position sample changer



Data collection



Phase identification



Sample holders

# Qualitative analysis software (optional):

Identification of phases is achieved through accessing the ICDD databases. This is accomplished through the primary search/match to ICDD card information, a secondary search/match that compares the d-spacings and intensities with the measured data, and a residual search/match that is performed after excluding the major components.

#### Standard measurement software:

The MiniFlex software with multiple functions is easy to use.

The measurement condition set-up includes the following:

- Sample name
- · Sampling width (step size)
- Scanning range
- Scanning speed
- Measurement mode (continuous, step scan, integral measurement, skip scan)

# Standard data processing software includes the following:

- Profile smoothing
- Background subtraction
- Kα<sub>2</sub> removal
- Peak search
- Calculation of integrated intensity

# Sample holders:

Two types of holders, for powder and bulk samples, are available for use with the MiniFlex's vertical goniometer.

#### Specimen rotation attachment (optional):

For precision analysis of geological samples, and asbestos dust.

# Automatic sample changer (ASC) with 6 positions (optional):

Up to six samples can be mounted and measured with the automatic sample changer. Each sample can be made to spin to enhance data precision for qualitative and quantitative analyses.

# **Application examples:**

- Quantitative analysis of asbestos and free silica
- Quantitative analysis of cristobalite contained in concrete
- · Quality control of pharmaceuticals
- Experimental tool for high school and college students
- General qualitative and quantitative powder diffraction

| e.  |                         | Specifications  |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| Standard configuration                              |                         |   |  |  |
| X-ray generator                                     | Output                  | 30 kV, 15 mA (fixed)  |  |  |
|   | High voltage generation | High frequency method   |  |  |
|   | Stability               | Within ±0.05% (for within ±10% input powder variations)   |  |  |
|   | X-ray tube              | Optional: Cu, Co, Fe, Cr tubes with 1 x 10 mm² focus  |  |  |
| Detector  | Scintillation counter   | Scintillator: NaI (TI)  |  |  |
| Goniometer  | Geometry                | Vertical, para-focusing   |  |  |
|   | Goniometer radius       | 150 mm  |  |  |
|   | Slit                    | DS: 0-axis interlocked variable slit RS: 0.3 mm (fixed)   |  |  |
|   | Scanning range          | -3° ~ -150° (2θ)  |  |  |
|   | Scanning speed          | 0.01° ~ 100° /min (20)  |  |  |
|   | Slewing speed           | 1000° /min  |  |  |
| Computer <sup>†</sup><br>(recommended<br>by Rigaku) | CPU                     | Intel P4 2.8 GHz microprocessor, on-board video and sound, integrated network connection, keyboard, mouse and pad |  |  |
|   | OS                      | Microsoft Windows® XP Professional†   |  |  |
|   | Main memory             | 512 MB SDRAM  |  |  |
|   | Hard disk               | 80 GB hard drive  |  |  |
|   | Removable media         | 3.5" 1.44 MB diskette drive with internal CD R+W  |  |  |
|   | Display                 | 17" CRT color monitor, minimum of 2 serial ports required   |  |  |
|   | Printer                 | HP deskjet 6122   |  |  |
| Software  | Standard software       | System condition setting  |  |  |
|   |                         | Manual measurement  |  |  |
|   |                         | Standard measurement  |  |  |
|   |                         | Integrated intensity calculation  |  |  |
|   |                         | Peak search   |  |  |

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<sup>†</sup> If you already own a computer which can meet the above specifications, it may be utilized. For details, contact the nearest Rigaku representative.

| Option                     |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|--|
|                            | Multiple recording   |  |
|                            | Qualitative analysis   |  |
| Application coffuses       | Clay mineral analysis (construction materials analysis)          |  |
| Application software       | ICDD database management   |  |
|                            | ICDD database (PDF-1, PDF-2)                                     |  |
|                            | Environmental particle dust quantitation (asbestos quantitation) |  |
|                            | Specimen rotation attachment                                     |  |
| Components and attachments | Auto sample changer with 6 positions                             |  |
|                            | Variable humidity  |  |

Specifications subject to change without notice

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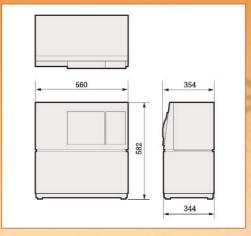
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| Installation requirements                    |  |  |  |
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| Power supply - single phase, grounded outlet |  |  |  |
| Basic unit                                   | 220 VAC 1 phase 50 Hz<br>110 VAC 1 phase 60 Hz <b>or</b>               |  |  |
| Grounding                                    |  |  |  |
| Ground resistance: 100 $\Omega$ or less      |  |  |  |
| Cooling water                                |  |  |  |
| Feed water<br>(30° or less)                  | 3 lit/min or more (1 ~ 3 kg/cm²)<br>1 unit (hose I.D.: 10 mm diameter) |  |  |
| Drain  | Drain port: 200 mm high or less from the floor level                   |  |  |
| Environmental conditions                     |  |  |  |
| Temperature                                  | 10 ~ 30°C  |  |  |
| Humidity                                     | 40 ~ 70%Rh   |  |  |
| Pollution<br>degree                          | 3  |  |  |
| Installation category                        | 2  |  |  |

(Note) The power cable, grounding cable and feed water and drain hoses provide as standard are 5 meters long, respectively.



Basic unit

Dimensions: 560 mm W x 354 mm D x 582 mm H

Weight: approx. 68 kg