Cetane index, density, aromatics, saturates, and hydrogen in jet fuel



Fast and straightforward determination by near-infrared spectroscopy



## A dedicated solution for quality control of jet fuel

Metrohm offers a turnkey solution for quality control of jet fuel by near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS). Based on a dedicated spectral database and a pre-calibration model, this solution enables manufacturers of jet fuel to reduce the cost of their daily routine analysis while improving the quality of their product.

Jet fuel is a product frequently used in civil and military aviation. At the end of the production process, various quality parameters need to be determined to ensure that the product meets the standards for use in aviation. Those parameters include Cetane Index (CI or CETI), American Petroleum Institute (API) gravity, aromatics, hydrogen and saturates content, density, flash and freeze point, viscosity and different boiling points (T10, T20, T50). These parameters are still often determined in the laboratory by time consuming chemical and physical analysis involving complex sample preparation and sometimes expensive equipment.

NIRS on the other hand requires neither chemicals nor sample preparation, it can even be used by non-chemists, and provides results in less than a minute. Furthermore, multiple chemical and physical parameters can be determined simultaneously with a single measurement. The combined benefits of this technology make NIRS the ideal solution for a large number of daily QA/QC measurements or continuous process analysis in the petrochemical industry.



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### Easy-to-use

- Turnkey solution
- Measure at the push of a button
- No expertise required



#### **Fast**

- No sample preparation
- Analysis results within one minute
- More than 15 minutes time saving compared to reference methods



## **Cost minimizing**

- No solvents, no reagents
- No waste disposal
- Instant results from first day



#### Clean

- Non-destructive, chemical-free method
- Minimum of impact on health and environment

#### Turnkey solution for jet fuel analysis

The Metrohm solution for jet fuel analysis comes with ready-to-use pre-calibration models for the determination of Cetane Index (CI or CETI), American Petroleum Institute gravity (API), aromatics, hydrogen and saturates content, density, flash and freeze point, viscosity or boiling points (T10, T20, T50). Thanks to these pre-calibrations, the Metrohm solution can be used as a starter model without any method development.



#### Reliable results from day one

The robust pre-calibration model allows precise and accurate determination different physical and chemical quality parameters of jet fuel with excellent reproducibility. The performance of the pre-calibration can be improved even further, if a smaller calibration range is selected or if it is augmented with customer specific samples.

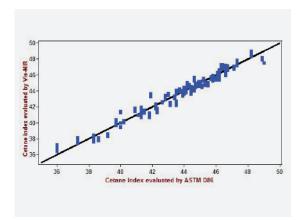
#### Straightforward and intuitive operation

Metrohm instruments for Vis-NIR are controlled by Vision Air software. Vision Air provides two environments tailored to users' needs: **Vision Air Routine** enables secure daily operation by routine users, while **Vision Air Manager** allows experienced and authorized users to control data and perform instrument configurations. For daily quality control of jet fuel, measurements can be performed with two simple clicks.

Parameter	Range	SECV	R <sup>2</sup>
API gravity in °	38-48	0.56	0.931
Aromatics in %	10-25	1	0.851
Cetane index	36–50	1.1	0.871
T10 in °C	158-200	4.1	0.801
T20 in °C	165-205	3.1	0.880
T50 in °C	180-220	4.1	0.789
Density in g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.78-0.83	0.003	0.936
Flash point in °C	38-65	4.3	0.620
Freeze point in °C	-65–(-40)	3.5	0.576
Hydrogen in %	13.2-14.2	0.05	0.934
Saturates in %	75-90	0.9	0.888
Viscosity at 20 °C in cSt	3-7	0.33	0.804

#### **Customized service and support**

Metrohm supports users by updating the default pre-calibration on demand with customer specific samples. This improves the performance of the method and/or extends it to new applications. Such updates are easily performed in the Vision Air Manager network mode. When using Vision Air Network, all instruments within a global customer network can be synchronized at the push of button. Customer specific calibrations can be easily developed for the determination of additional quality parameters of jet fuel, e.g. water content, pour point, benzene content and others.



# Ordering information

6.6072.307	NIRS pre-calibration for jet fuel analysis
	Requires hardware
2.921.1410	NIRS XDS RapidLiquid Analyzer
	Comprised of:
1.921.0010	NIRS XDS Monochromator
1.921.0410	NIRS XDS RapidLiquid Module
6.7400.000	NIRS XDS accessory kit
8.921.8005EN	Manual for NIRS XDS RapidLiquid Analyzer
	Requires software
6.607.2201	Vision Air 2.0
	Optional software
6.607.2204	Vision Air 2.0 Server
6.607.2206	Vision Air 2.0 Network
	Requires certified standards
6.7450.040	NIRS transmission wavelength calibration standard
	Optional certified standards
6.7450.050	NIRS transmission standard, set of 6 (for the regulated environment)
6.7450.060	NIRS transmission wavelength verification standard
	Sampling accessories
6.7402.000	NIRS disposable glass vials, 8 mm (250 pcs.)
6.7403.000	NIRS XDS spacer for disposable glass vials, 8 mm

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