



## UltraPyc 1200e Powder density meter

<https://search.labfacilities.wur.nl/SearchDetail.aspx?deviceid=07dcfd1d-f9b6-42e8-80bb-3c4202e02ee0>

### **Brand**

Quantachrome

### **Type**

1200e

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### **Description**

The Pycnometer from Quantachrome is designed to measure the true volume of solid materials by employing Archimedes' principle of fluid displacement and gas expansion (Boyle's Law). Ideally, a gas is used as the displacing fluid since it penetrates the finest pores assuring maximum accuracy.

## Technical Details

### User Protocol

- Turn the machine on and let it warm up for 1 hour
- Adjust the nitrogen flow to 131kP (1.3bar)
- Insert usb stick and chose for calibration and measurements that data is written on usb.
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### Micro-Ultrapyc's

Adapter Sleeves, Cells (micro, meso, nano) and Cover.

When pycnometer has not been used for 6 months, calibrate (press 2) Vadded:

Chose

to calibrate Vadded small

Insert

the micro cell (2nd from left on the picture)

Wait 10

min

Insert

the volume (1.0725)

Start

(first part of calibration takes 30min)

Insert

large calibration sphere

Wait 10

Start

(second part of calibration takes 30min)

The added

volume is around 1.66 cc

Calibrate every day Vcell (press 2):

Insert micro cell with one

large calibration sphere

Chose cell size small (enter)

--> Enter the volume (1.0725) (enter) --> multi-run (2) (enter) --> max runs: 5 (enter) --> deviation:0.001 (enter) --> deviation: 0.001 (enter) --> print no (2) --> email no (2) --> usb yes (1) (enter)

Calibrate Vcell small (takes 10min)

Vcell is around 6.9 cc

To start a measurement press 1:

Weigh sample in micro cell

(micro cell should be filled at least  $\frac{3}{4}$ . For first samples check that pycnometer works ok: measure density of sample when micro cell is filled for  $\frac{3}{4}$  and when micro cell is filled completely).

Insert sample and close lid

measure (1) --> sample

parameter (2) --> weight: .... (enter) --> id: ... (enter) --> start (3)