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Coating thickness measurement



Coating thickness gauge PAINT BORER 518 MC

- Universal thickness measuring instrument
- Thickness measurement of all coatings on any substrate
- Measurement of individual layers of a multi-layer coating

Thickness Measuring Instrument PAINT BORER 518 MC



PAINT BORER with specimen platform

The measuring principle

The **PAINT BORER 518 MC** operates in accordance with the standardised wedge cut method in which the specimen is cut at a defined angle. From the projected width of the cut face the layer thickness can be calculated making use of a simple geometrical relationship. With **Model 518 MC** the damage to the coating is limited to a small conical hole as illustrated in the sectional view. In the measuring microscope a system of concentric circles is visible and from the difference in the radii of the circles which are measured using the measuring microscope, the film thickness can be calculated by multiplying with a known factor.



The measuring instrument

The **PAINT BORER 518 MC** is a very compact instrument. All the principal components - the drilling device, the measuring microscope, the specimen illumination and the battery - are enclosed in a sturdy housing. A slide moving on horizontal slide-ways houses the drill and microscope and gives the **PAINT BORER 518 MC** its particular feature: the instrument itself does not have to be moved for measuring after drilling.

The drill is spring mounted in the slide so that it can be pressed down onto the specimen with minimum force, the drill being switched on automatically when this is done. The carbide drills are easy to exchange and supplied with different accurately maintained cutting angles for 3 standard measuring ranges. The measuring microscope with a magnification factor of 50 has a measuring scale with 100 lines so that a resolution of 1% is obtained irrespective of the measuring range.

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778 West Ålgonquin Rd. Arlington Heights IL 60005 Phone: +1 847 437-6616 Fax: +1 847 437-0053 www.elektrophysik.com epusa@elektrophysik.com The light button on the backside of the **PAINT BORER 518 MC** can be set for either continuous light as well as three levels of illumination or interrupted illumination to prolong battery life. A 9volt rechargeable battery is employed; mains operation with the charging unit is possible.

Due to the mobility of the microscope into two directional axes (turned by 90° from one another) and with the possibility of turning the scale, the **PAINT BORER 518 MC** is especially suitable for the evaluation of elliptical holes that arise with curved/ tilted specimens.

The Operation

The coating thickness measurement with **PAINT BORER 518 MC** is very simple: Apply a contrast mark (felt tip pen) and place the measuring instrument on the specimen. Move the drill into position over the test point and lower it causing the motor to switch on. Drill the coating through to the substrate. Move the microscope over the hole and switch the lamp on. Count the number of scale marks between the base material and the contrast mark and multiply this value by the scale factor which gives the measuring results.

Technical Data (Model 518 S)

| Dimensions (L x W x H): | 145 x 55 x 110 mm |
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| Net weight: | ca. 850 g |
| Measuring accuracy: | 1% |
| Rechargeable battery: | 6F 22 (6LR 61) |
| Min. dimensions of sample: | |
| without specimen table | 150 x 25 mm |
| with specimen table | 10 x 6 mm |
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| Order information | |
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| Order-No. | Product description |
| 85-809-0022 | PAINT BORER 518 S |
| Included in the scope of supply: drill no. 5 2 felt tip pens (black/silver) screw driver rechargeable battery (9 V) power pack (100 - 240) VAC, (47 - 63) Hz plastic case operating instructions | |
| Accessories/Spare parts | |
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| 85-808-0058 | Drill No. 2 (2 - 200 um) |
| 85-808-0126 | Drill No. 4 (5 - 500 µm) |
| 85-808-0157 | Drill No. 5 (3 - 300 µm) – spare part |
| 85-808-0023 | Specimen platform for clamping specimer panels of any shape or profile |

