

Kett

NIR Grain Analyzer AN-920



Operating Manual

Thank you for purchasing this product.
Please read the operating manual carefully and use this product properly.

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1. FOR SAFETY MEASUREMENT

Improper use of the composition analyser in violation of the following safety notes may result in death, injury or damage to property due to fire, etc. While the safety of the product has been given considerable attention, read the precautions in the operating manual and use the instrument properly.

■ Observe the safety precautions

Read the precautions noted in the operating manual.

The safety measure of the unit may be impaired if instructions are ignored during use.




■ Do not use if broken

If you suspect a problem or malfunction in the unit, contact the vendor, or the Kett Tokyo office sales division, a local branch or sales office.








■ Meaning of warning symbols

In order to prevent damage resulting from erroneously operating the equipment, the following symbols are indicated in the operating manual and on the product.

The following describes their meanings.

 WARNING	Failure to observe these items may lead to death or injury to the user.
 CAUTION	Failure to observe these items may lead to injury to the user or damage to property.
 NOTE	Items which the user should be aware of in order to safely use the unit.



-  • Do not use the unit in a place where explosive, inflammable gas or liquid substance exists. Otherwise, it may cause explosion, fire, or electric shock, etc.
-  • Do not use other than rated power supply voltage. If overvoltage is applied, the unit will be heated and it may cause malfunction, fire, or electric shock.
-  • Make sure to ground the power cable. With the 2P outlet, use a conversion plug to ground. In the case of 3P, it will be automatically grounded. If not grounded, it may cause fire or electric shock.
-  • If any of the cables including the power cable is damaged (broken), do not use it. Otherwise, it may cause fire or electric shock, etc. For purchasing the spare parts, contact the vendor, or the Kett Tokyo office sales division, a local branch or sales office.
-  • If you see fire coming from the unit or notice smoke, an odd smell, or any other sign of abnormal functioning, turn off the power and remove the power plug from the outlet, or take whatever measures that would be appropriate to deal with the problem. Otherwise, it may cause fire or electric shock, etc.
-  • Do not attempt to disassemble or modify the unit. Otherwise, it may cause malfunction, fire, or electric shock, etc. If you believe the unit may be malfunctioning, contact the vendor, or the Kett Tokyo office sales division, a local branch or sales office.
-  • Do not allow the unit to come in contact with water. This unit is not waterproof. Do not allow water or other liquids to get into the unit's enclosure as this may lead to electric shock or malfunction.








CAUTION



Burn Hazard



Electric Shock

-  • Do not damage, heat, or place heavy object on the power cable or connectors. Otherwise, it may cause fire or electric shock, etc.
-  • When connecting with other devices, first, turn off the power of each unit.
-  • Do not connect/disconnect the power plug with wet hands. Otherwise, it may cause an electric shock, etc.
-  • In the maintenance work, remove the plug from the outlet for safety. Otherwise, it may cause an electric shock.
-  • To disconnect the plug or connector, make sure to hold the plug or connector, not to pull on the cable.

Operating environment for safety use

This product is designed to be used safely in the following conditions.

Make sure of the operating environment before use.

- Indoor use
- Altitude: up to 2000m
- Temperature: 10 to 200°C
- Relative humidity: environmental temperature up to 31°C, max. 80%; at 35°C, max. 65%
- Power supply voltage fluctuation: within 10% of nominal voltage
- Transient overvoltage: within the Overvoltage Category II (conforms to IEC60664-1:2007)
- Pollution Degree 2 (conforms to IEC60664-1:2007)

Installation and storage

- Avoid using or storing the unit in a location where it would be exposed to excessively high or low temperatures, high levels of humidity, direct sunlight, electromagnetic interference, corrosive gases, or large amounts of dust.
- Place the unit on a flat and stable surface where it will not be subjected to significant vibration during use.
- When moving the unit, never tilt it any more than necessary.
- Take care never to drop or bump the unit or otherwise allow it to be subjected to strong shocks or the application of excessive force.
- When removing the power cable or other cables, never pull on the cord or cable and instead hold the plug or cable connector.
- Do not install the unit in a place where handling the power cable and connectors or turning the power switch is made difficult.
- When the unit is not to be used over an extended period of time, turn off the power and remove the power plug from the outlet.
- Use the supplied power cable and make sure to connect to the protective earth.

Cleaning

- To clean the surface of the unit, wipe off using a soft dry cloth.
- Do not use abrasive detergent such as paint thinner or benzene when cleaning this product.
- The grain of rice fallen inside the measurement chamber will exit directly onto the base surface. Collect the fallen grains regularly.

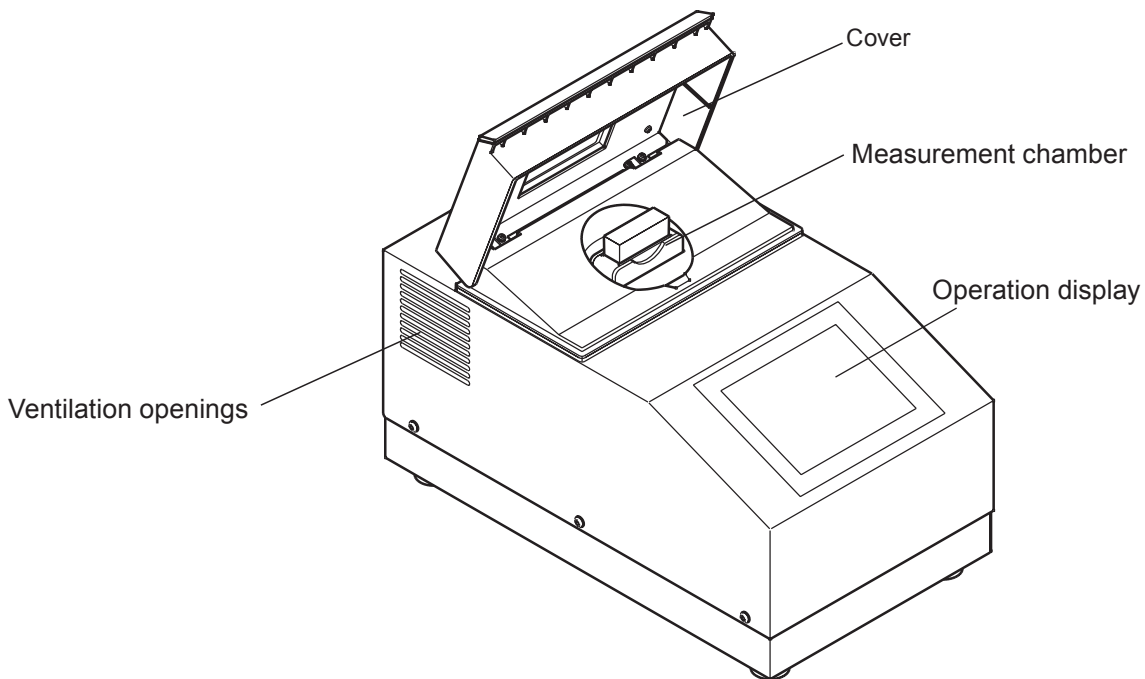
2. FEATURES AND PART NAMES

2-1. Features

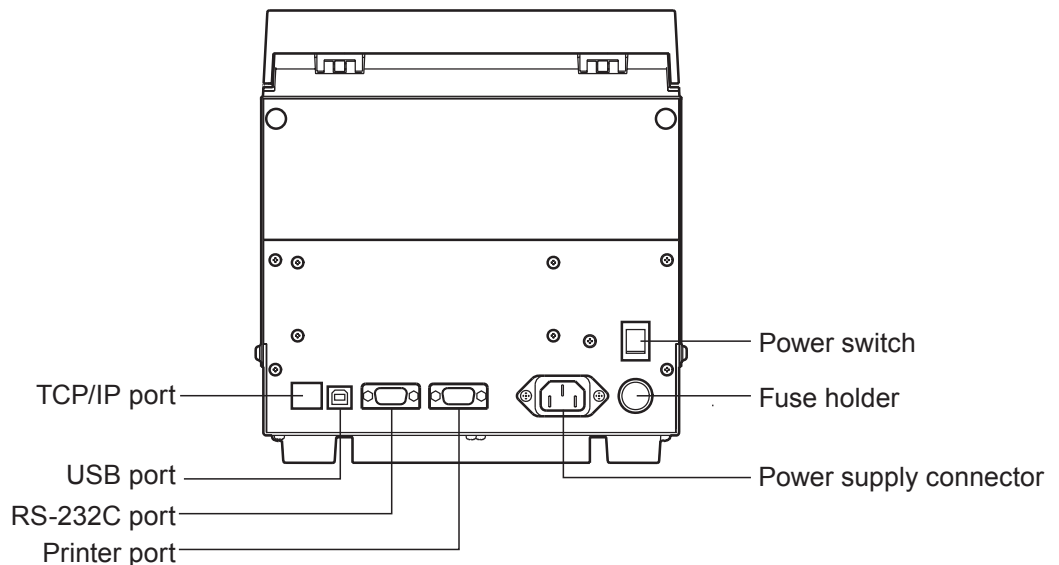
This unit is a transmission type grain analyser based on near-infrared spectroscopy technology. Due to the whole grain measuring method, the grain should not be grounded, and it will allow simple and quick measurement. As the light source, a tungsten lamp is used. High measurement accuracy can be achieved by adopting a method in which the transmitted light from the sample is detected after being diffracted into 600 to 1100 nm by a spectroscopy sensor.

2-2. Parts of Main Unit

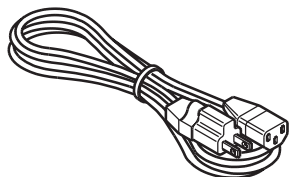
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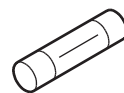
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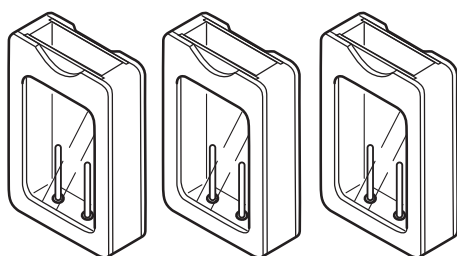
2-3. Accessories



Power cable



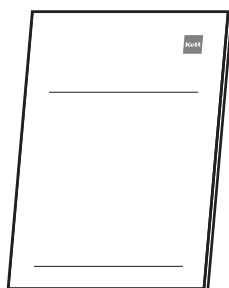
Spare fuse



Sample case (15mm) x2,
Sample case (5mm) x1



Sampling cup



Operating manual

3. SPECIFICATIONS

Measurement method	Near-infrared transmittance
Light source	Tungsten lamp (bulb life: 20,000 hours)
Applications	
Measurement range	
Sample quantity	Approx. 60 mL
Number of calibration curve memories	4 components × 8 channels
Measured Time	Approx. 40 sec
Operating temperature range	10 to 35°C
Display format	5.7" Color LCD press panel
I/O connector	Printer output, RS-232C, USB, TCP/IP
Power supply	100V - 240V AC (50/60 Hz)
Power consumption	40W
Dimensions and weight	230 (W)×400 (D)×250 (H) mm, 8.5 kg
Accessories	Power cable, Fuse, Sample case (15mm)×2, Sample case (5mm)×1, Sampling cup, operating manual
Options	A set of printer (Printer VZ-800, printer cable VZC54, Printer papers, AC adapter, AC cord), RS-232C cable VZC54, USB cable VZC-61, Data logger software NDL-02



* A backup battery is built-in so that the memorised calibration curves are kept even after turning off the power. For the battery replacement, contact supplier.

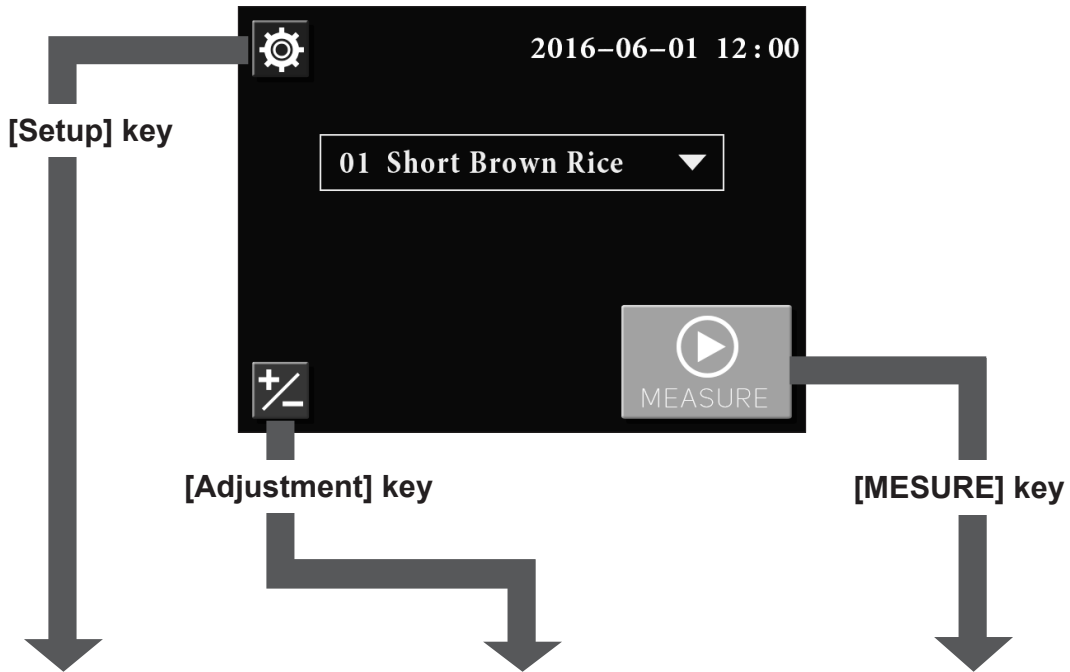


* This unit uses precision spectroscope. Therefore, it should not be used in a high temperature environment. When performing the measurement, make sure that the environmental temperature is below 35°C. If the temperature is over 50°C, the precision spectroscope may be broken. Also, for storage keep it under 50°C.

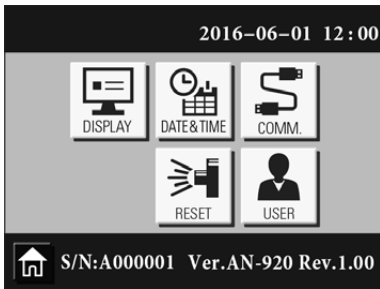
4. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION KEYS

This procedure is exactly the same as all samples.

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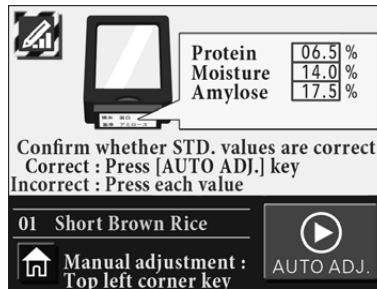


7. SETUP ⇒ P.13, 14, 15



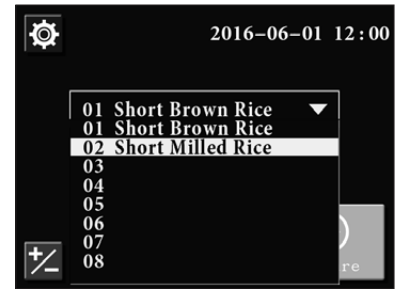
Display, date & time, communication, light intensity reset, and user switching can be set.

6. ADJUSTMENT ⇒ P.12

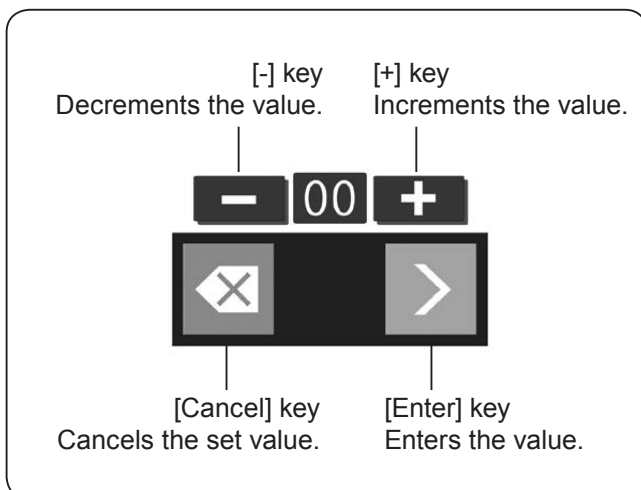


Adjustments are required before starting the measurement. There are two methods; automatic adjustment and manual adjustment.

5. EASY OPERATION GUIDE ⇒ P.10, 11



The operating instructions of Power on→Measurement→Result→Average are described.



5. EASY OPERATION GUIDE

Remarks

- * Install the unit at least 10 cm away from the walls so that the ventilation openings are not blocked.
- * Turn on the power approximately one hour before starting measurement and warm up the unit.
- * To measure the temperature of a sample, a thermosensor is inserted into the sample case through the hole provided at the bottom during measurement. To obtain better accuracy, it is recommended to keep the temperature of the sample and the environmental temperature close.
- * Clean the sample case. If the window of the sample case is not clean or significantly scratched, adjustment or measurement may not be performed correctly. If significantly scratched, replace the the case.

About adjustment

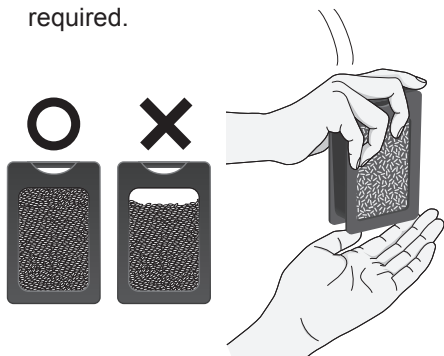
To use the unit properly, it is necessary to set up the unit either automatically or manually. (⇒Refer to P.12.)

How to fill the sample grain

If grains are not filled tightly in the sample case, a measurement error may occur. Fill the grains tightly in the sample case as much as possible.

Tips

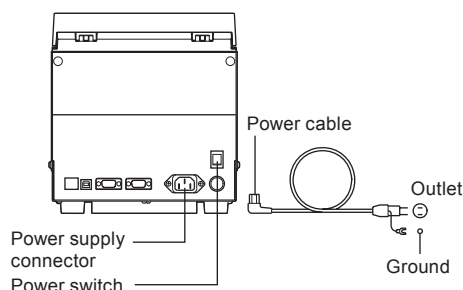
- (1) Fill the grain so that the window of the sample case is covered.
- (2) Tap the bottom of the case hard approximately 10 times so that grains are tightly filled. If rooms are made, fill more grain. Repeat this tapping and filling as required.



Measurement method

- (1) Connect the main unit and the power cable.

* Make sure to ground the power cable.



- (2) Turn on the power switch provided in the rear side of the main unit.



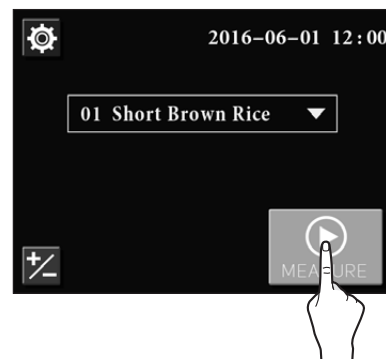
- (3) Press the sample name.



- (4) The last selected sample name is highlighted. Press the sample name in the list to measure.



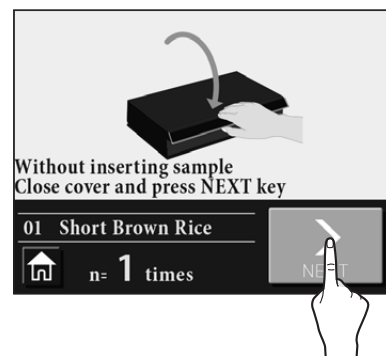
- (5) The selected sample is set and the initial screen will be restored. Press the [MEASURE] key.



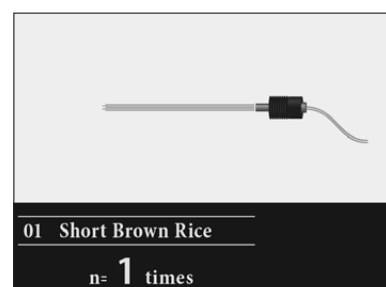
- (6) Empty the measurement chamber.



- (7) Close the cover with the empty measurement chamber. Then, press the [NEXT] key.



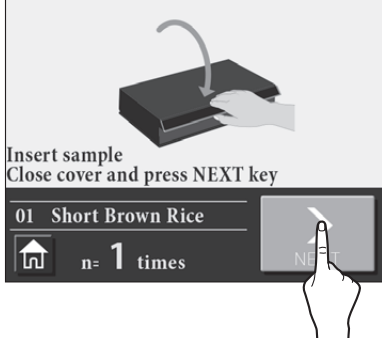
- (8) The measurement is in progress. * Never open the cover.



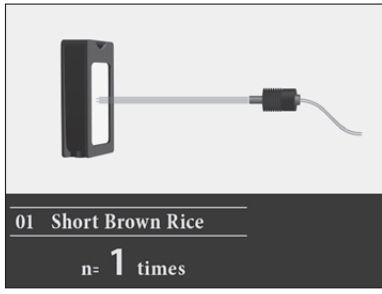
(9) Insert the sample case to the measurement chamber.



(10) Close the cover with the measurement chamber set. Then, press the [NEXT] key.



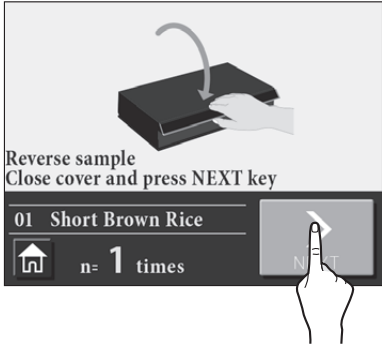
(11) The measurement is in progress.
* Never open the cover.



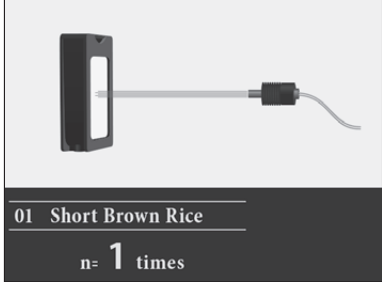
(12) Take out the sample case, and reverse the case, then set it again into the chamber.



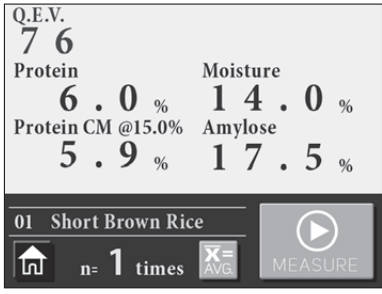
(13) Firmly close the cover, and then press the [NEXT] key.



(14) The measurement is in progress.
* Never open the cover.



(15) The measurement result will be displayed.

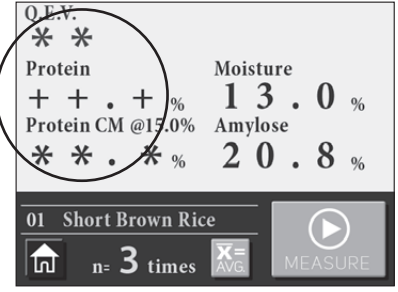


- * Pressing the [MEASURE] key in this screen will enable a new measurement.
- * Pressing the [Home] key will restore the initial screen.

(16) The measurement is complete. Take out the sample case.

Measurement results

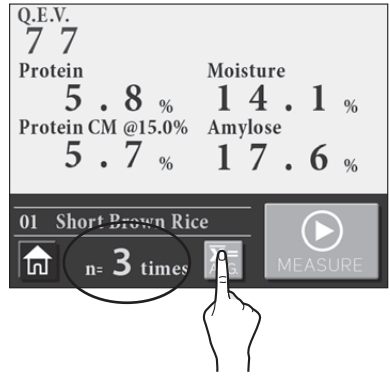
The following is the display example of measurement results within the displayable range.



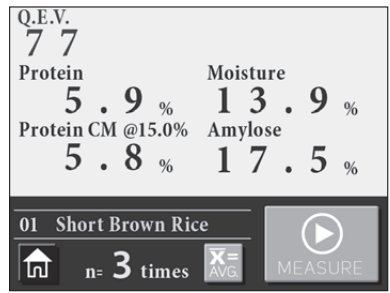
Display	Cause
+++	The upper limit of the displayable range is exceeded.
---	The lower limit of the displayable range is exceeded.
***	Conversion failed.

Average display

When the measurement is repeated, the count number increments. (1 to 9th at maximum.)
Press the [AVG] key.



The average of the measured times will be displayed.



- * Pressing the [MEASURE] key in this screen will enable a new measurement.
- * Pressing the [Home] key will restore the initial screen.
- * After the average is displayed, the number of measurement times will be reset and the next measurement will be counted as 1st.

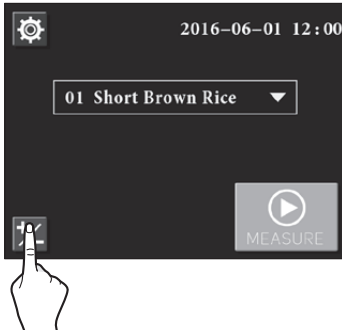
6. ADJUSTMENT

• Automatic adjustment

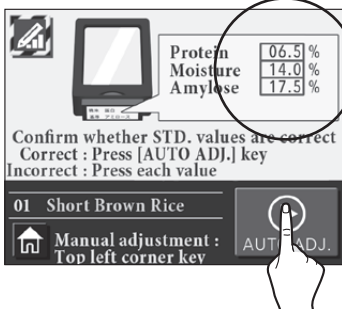
By following the instructions indicated on the screen, a bias adjustment using a standard sample can be automatically performed.

Procedure

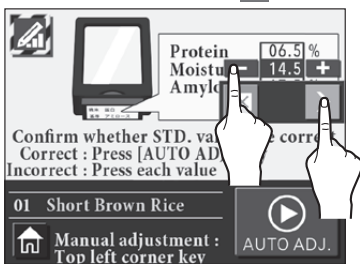
- (1) Press the [Adjustment] key.



- (2) The measured value of the standard sample will be displayed. If the displayed value and the value indicated on the label of the standard sample are the same, press the [AUTO ADJ.] key.



If the value is different, enter the value indicated on the label of the standard sample. Press the value to change, and make changes with [+]/[-] keys. Then, press the [Enter >] key.



- (3) After this, follow the instructions on the screen and perform the measurements of the empty case, standard sample, and standard sample after reversing the case. It will complete the automatic adjustment.

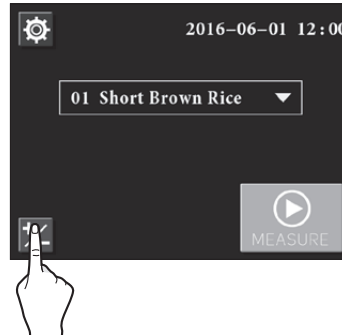


• Manual adjustment

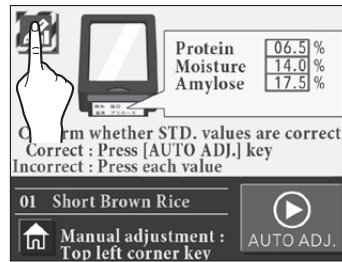
The manual adjustment requires multiple samples that have known standard values (composition values). Measure each sample for the specified number of times, and calculate the average value from the results. Then, compare it with the standard's average and obtain the difference. The obtained difference will be the bias value. The better bias accuracy can be obtained by manual adjustment, since multiple samples are measured multiple times.

Procedure

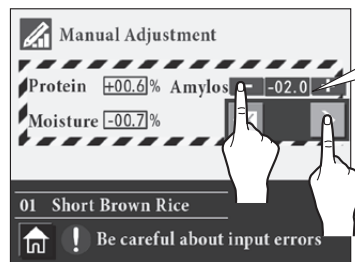
- (1) Press the [Adjustment] key.



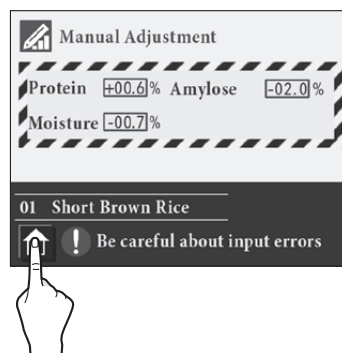
- (2) Press the [Manual Adjustment] key.



- (3) Press the value of the composition to adjust, and enter the bias value that has been manually calculated. Change the value with [+]/[-] keys, and then press the [Enter >] key.



- (4) Pressing the [Home] key will restore the initial screen.



Ex. 1)

When bias value is "+0.5"
(Standard value - Measured value = +0.5)

Enter the "current value + 0.5".
If the current value is "+0.6",
enter "+1.1".

Ex. 2)

When bias value is "-1.3"
(Standard value - Measured value = -1.3)

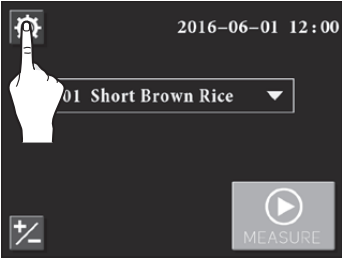
Enter the "current value - 1.3".
If the current value is "-0.7",
enter "-2.0".

7. SETUP

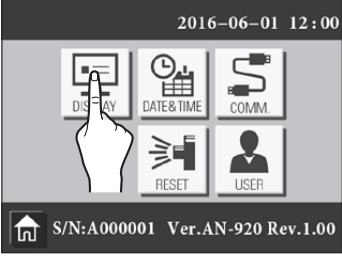
● Display setting [DISPLAY]



Procedure

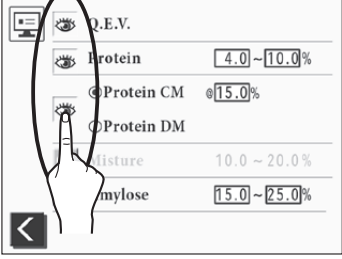
(1) Press the [Setup] key.



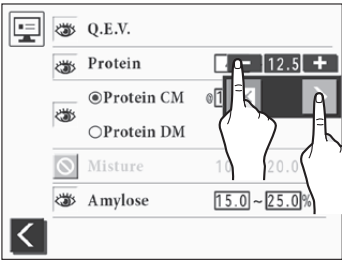
(2) Press the [DISPLAY] key.




(3) For each item, press  to display, and  to hide.



(4) To set the display range, press the value. Change the value with [+]/[-] keys, and press the [Enter >] key.




* When "Protein CM" is set to be displayed with , the setting of "@ Moisture" will be enabled.

* If not changing, press the [Cancel <] key.

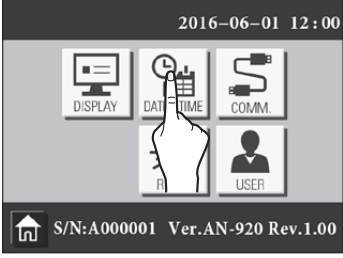
● Date&Time setting [DATE&TIME]

Procedure

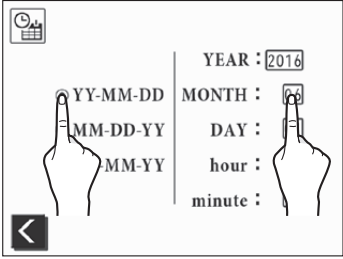
(1) Press the [Setup] key.



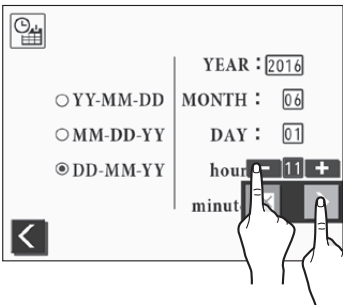
(2) Press the [DATE&TIME] key.



(3) Set the date by pressing the numbers.



(4) Change the value with [+]/[-] keys, and then press the [Enter >] key.


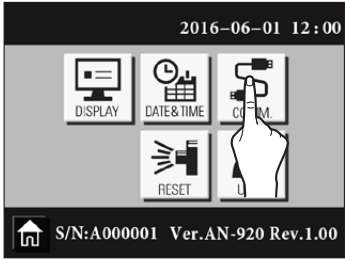
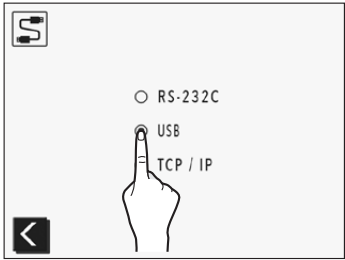


<Reference 1>

Display of protein's constant moisture basis (CM) ⇒P.17

● Communication setting [COMM.]

The measurement command can be sent from PC, or the measurement data can be sent from the main unit.

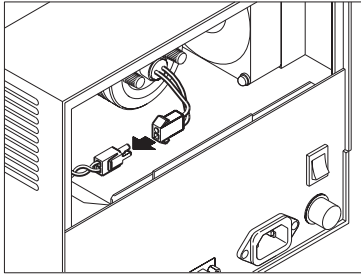
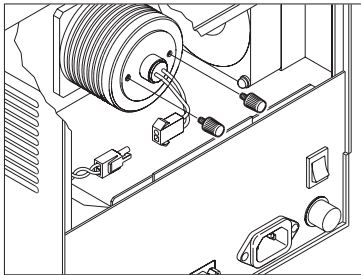
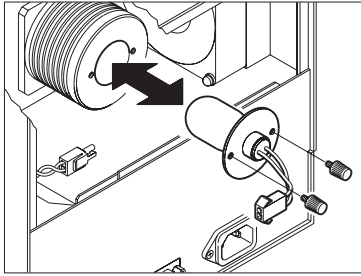
Procedure
(1) Make sure that the power of both AN-920 and PC are turned off.
(2) After connecting AN-920 and PC with a cable, turn on the power of both units. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RS-232C port RS-232C cable: VZC54 ● USB port USB cable: VZC-61 ● TCP/IP port Prepare an appropriate LAN cable yourself. <p>* To use other than TCP/IP port, an optional data logger software "NDL-02" is required.</p>
(3) Press the [Setup] key. 
(4) Press the [COMM.] key. 
(5) Select a communication port.  <p>* When selecting TCP/IP, entering the IP address is required. The measurement can be performed by accessing the set IP address via a PC browser.</p>


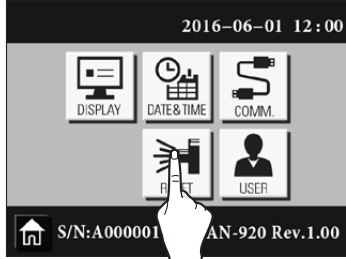
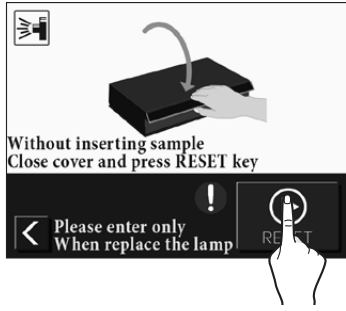
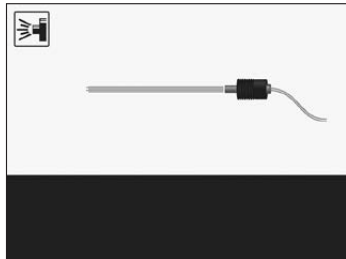

● Light intensity resetting [RESET]

When the tungsten lamp is blown, replace the lamp in the following procedure.



- * Make sure to purchase the new lamp from Kett. Do not use other lamp than specified one.
- * While the power is turned on, the lamp temperature rises and a burn may be caused. Before replacing the lamp, make sure that at least 1 hour is passed after turning off the power and the lamp is sufficiently cooled off.

Procedure
(1) Turn off the power and disconnect the Power cable.
(2) Remove the fixing screws (2 pcs.) from the rear side of the main unit, and remove the cover. Disconnect the lamp connector. 
(3) Remove the lamp fixing screws (2 pcs.) and replace the lamp.  <p>* Use caution so that the screws will not be dropped inside the main unit.</p>
(4) Install the new lamp at a proper position. Fix the lamp with fixing screws, and connect the lamp connector. Attach the rear cover of main unit. 
(5) Connect the Power cable, and turn on the power.

Procedure
(6) Press the [Setup] key. 
(7) Press the [RESET] key. 
(8) Close the cover with the empty measurement chamber. Then, press the [RESET] key.  <p>The measurement is in progress. * Never open the cover.</p> 
(9) When the measurements are completed, the initial light intensity value will be registered automatically, and the initial screen will be restored. 

● User switching [USER]

This unit has a different levels of operation depending on the user types (Administrator/User/Guest).
At the time of shipment, "Administrator" is set in which all operations are enabled.
Switch the user as required.


	Measurement	Calibration curve selection	Bias adjustment	Display setting	Date&Time setting	Communication setting	Light intensity resetting	User addition
Administrator	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
User	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	—
Guest	○	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

(1) Changing the password

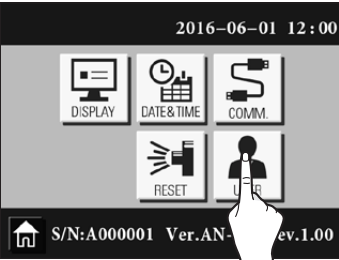
* Available only for Administrator

Procedure

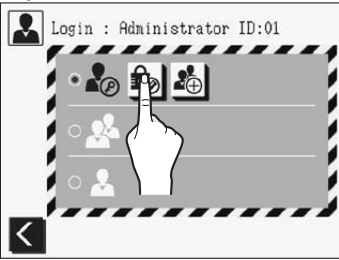
(1) Press the [Setup] key.



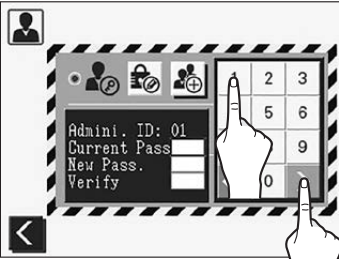
(2) Press the [USER] key.



(3) Press the [Password change] key.



(4) Enter the current password. Enter the password (4 digits), and then press the [Enter >] key. The new password will be registered.



* At the time of shipment, "0000" is set.

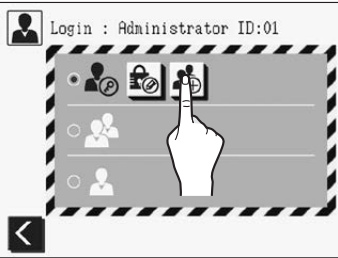
(2) Adding a user

* Available only for Administrator

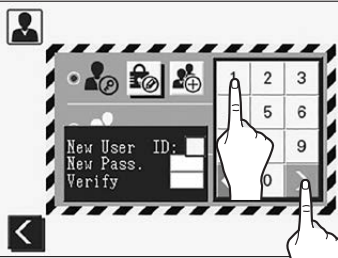
Procedure

(1) Perform step (1) and (2) of the "(1) Changing the password".

(2) Press the [Add user] key.



(3) Enter the ID (2 digits) and password (4 digits), and then press the [Enter >] key. The new user will be registered.



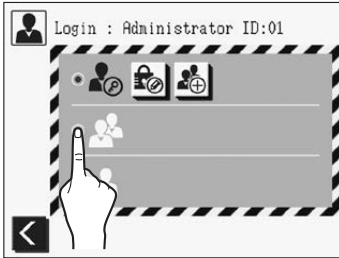
* If the ID already exists, it will overwrite the existing one.

(3) Switching the user

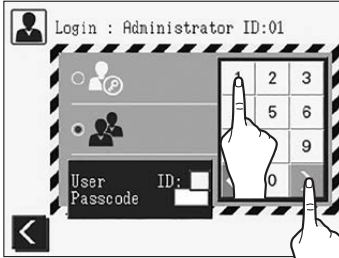
Procedure

(1) Perform step (1) and (2) of the "(1) Changing the password".

(2) Select the type of the user.

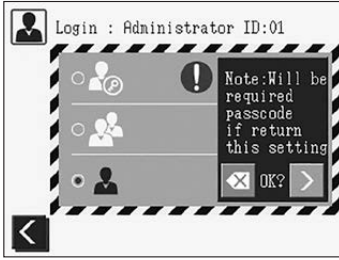


(3) Enter the ID (2 digits) and password (4 digits), and then press the [Enter >] key. The user will be switched.



- When Administrator is selected, ID is fixed with "01".
- When Guest is selected, ID and password are not required.

* To switch to Administrator or User from Guest, the ID and password will be required.



8. OTHERS

8-1 Printer Output

The measurement data can be output by connecting the printer VZ-800 using the printer cable VZC54 (designated product).

- (1) Make sure that the power of AN-920 and the printer are turned off.
- (2) Connect the printer cable VZC54 to the printer output port provided on the rear side of the main unit of AN-920. Then, tighten the screw.
- (3) Connect the printer cable VZC54 to the input connector provided on the bottom of the printer, and tighten the screws.
- (4) Turn on the power of AN-920 and the printer.

<Printout example>

2015-04-02 13:33
01 Short Brown Rice
n= 1 time
Q.E.V.
76
Protein
5.9%
Protein CM @15.0%
5.9%
Moisture
15.1%
Amylose
17.9%

8-2. Replacing Fuses

When replacing the fuse, use the safety standard compliant product.

- (1) Turn off the power and disconnect the Power cable.
- (2) Remove the fuse holder provided in the rear side of the main unit.
- (3) Remove the fuses from the fuse holder and check to see if any are burned out.
- (4) If there is a burned-out fuse, replace it with new one.
- (5) Return the fuse holder to its original position in the main unit.

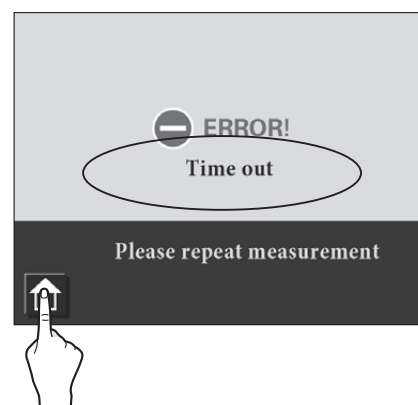
* Ask for repair, if a fuse blows out again after being replaced, since there may be a problem with the unit.

Safety standard compliant product	
Rated voltage	250V
Rated current	3A or 3.15A
Fuse characteristics	Fast acting Non time lag

8-3. Error Display

The following messages may be displayed during initialization at the time of power-on or during measurement. In each case, follow the instruction to be displayed.

Error display
Time out (A warning sound goes off at 20 seconds, and an error occurs at 30 seconds.)
Stepper Motor error
Incorrect calibration measurement
Sample is too (dark) bright
Instrument temperature is too (low) high
Sample temperature is too (low) high
A-D Converter Error
Replace lamp



9. IMPORTANT NOTICE

- **Fundamentally, measurement should be done when temperature of AN-920 and samples is the same.**

In case of temperature variation between samples and AN-920 is 10C, it will make 0.5% error. In case of sample temperature is higher than AN-920 temperature, it shows low measurement value and sample temperature is lower than AN-920 temperature, it shows high measurement value. Practically, acceptable variation of temperature between samples and AN-920 is 5C.

- **From time to time, make calibration adjustment either by standard**

Samples or manually according to 6. CALIBRATION ADJUST-MENT. Especially, the calibration adjustment is mandatory whenever object of samples to be measured is changed (Ex : Wheat to Corn, Canola to Sunflower etc...

- **Measurement samples with condensation does not guarantee correct measurement.**
- **It should be used the sample case (5mm) when measuring canola or sunflower.**

<Appendix> To use the unit in the best accuracy

Regularly check the standard samples in order to minimize the affects to the measurement by the changes that may occur in the time course. In addition, the standard sample should be checked when the measurement environment is changed, the operator is changed, after a power failure, and when the measured value seems not reliable.

■ Check using standard samples

● What is standard sample?

A standard sample is the sample whose standard values have been calibrated before shipment. Each standard value is indicated on the top of the standard sample case.

● Storage

- Store the sample in the cool dark place (5 to 10°C) such as in the refrigerator.
- Never store the sample in the freezer. The sample will be frozen.
- Other than the appropriate storage, it may cause a change to the standard value.
- The validation period indicated on the standard sample is applicable as long as the sample is appropriately stored.

Use only the sample within the validation period.

● How to check using standard samples

- (1) Take out the sample from the cool dark place before a half day before the measurement.
- (2) Place the AN-920 main unit and the standard sample in a same place to have them thermally stabilized.
- (3) Measure the standard sample for three to five times, and calculate the average value.
- (4) Compare the measured composition value with the standard value of each composition.

Example:

	Reference	Average of measurement values	Difference
Standard sample	16.0%	16.2%	0.2%

In this example, the difference is "0.2". Therefore, a bias adjustment is not necessary in the standard use. If the difference is over "0.2", repeat the above procedure and compare the values again. As a result, if the difference is over "0.2", a bias adjustment is required. Each composition has different limit value. We recommend the following as a reference. Define the limit value according to the operating environment.

Composition	Reference limit value
Protein	0.3%
Moisture content	0.2%
Amylose (ref.)	1.0%

<Reference 1>

● Display of protein's constant moisture basis (CM)

The protein value to be displayed with this unit indicates the percentage of constituent over a whole measuring object including moisture. It is useful, for example, when calculating the weight of protein contained in the measured grain. However, when comparing the protein value in the multiple targets, there may be a case it is more convenient to assume that the targets have the fixed moisture value. The CM display of the protein value is based on this concept. The CM indicates the converted protein value assuming that the moisture value of the measurement targets is a certain given value ("@Moisture%" with AN-920). When the given moisture value is "0%", it is called "Dry Moisture basis" (DM). The conversion formula is as follows. To display correct "Protein CM", the calibration curves of "Protein" and "Moisture" and "@Moisture%" needs to be set properly.

$$\text{Protein CM} = \frac{\text{Protein} \times (100 - \text{@Moisture}\%)}{100 - \text{Moisture}}$$

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