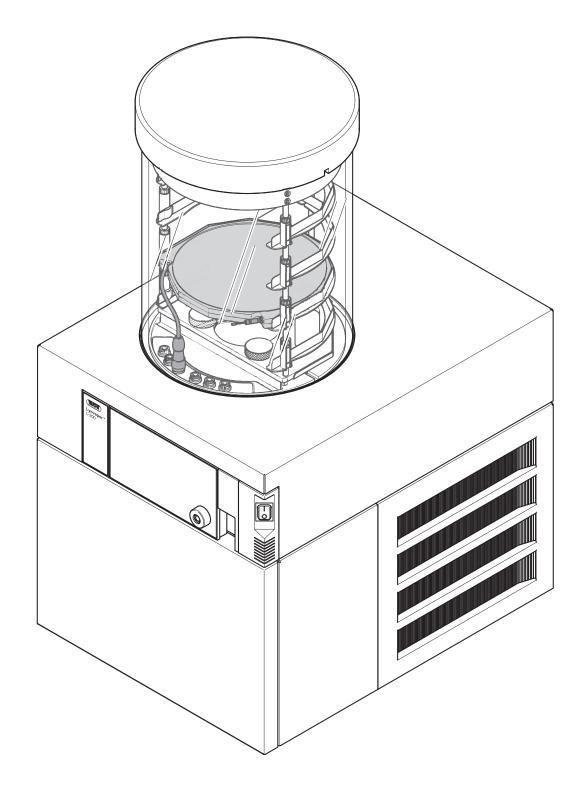


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1 About this document

This operation manual is applicable for all variants of the instrument. Read this operation manual before operating the instrument and follow the instructions to ensure safe and trouble-free operation.

Keep this operation manual for later use and pass it on to any subsequent user or owner.

BÜCHI Labortechnik AG accepts no liability for damage, faults and malfunctions resulting from not following this operation manual.

If you have any questions after reading this operation manual:

► Contact BÜCHI Labortechnik AG Customer Service.

https://www.buchi.com/contact

1.1 Connected devices

In addition to these operating instructions, follow the instructions and specifications in the documentation for the connected devices.

1.2 Warning notices in this document

Warning notices warn you of dangers that can occur when handling the device. There are four danger levels, each identifiable by the signal word used.

Signal word	Meaning
DANGER	Indicates a danger with a high level of risk which could result in death or serious injury if not prevented.
WARNING	Indicates a danger with a medium level of risk which could result in death or serious injury if not prevented.
CAUTION	Indicates a danger with a low level of risk which could result in mi- nor or medium-severity injury if not prevented.
NOTICE	Indicates a danger that could result in damage to property.

1.3 Symbols

The following symbols may be displayed in this instruction manual or on the device:

1.3.1 Warning symbols

Symbol	Meaning
	General warning
	Breakable items
X!	Instrument damage

1.3.2 Mandatory directive symbols

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
	Wear safety goggles		Wear protective clothing

Symbol Meaning

Wear protective gloves



ol Meaning

He as:

Heavy load, do not lift without assistance

1.3.3 Mark-ups and symbols

NOTE

This symbol draws attention to useful and important information.

- \boxdot This character draws attention to a requirement that must be met before the instructions below are carried out.
- ► This character indicates an instruction that must be carried out by the user.

 \Rightarrow This character indicates the result of a correctly carried out instruction.

Mark-up	Explanation
Window	Software Windows are marked-up like this.
Tab	Tabs are marked-up like this.
Dialog	Dialogs are marked-up like this.
[Button]	Buttons are marked-up like this.
[Field names]	Field names are marked-up like this.
[Menu / Menu item]	Menus or menu items are marked-up like this.
Status	Status is marked-up like this.
Signal	Signals are marked-up like this.

1.4 Trademarks

Product names and registered or unregistered trademarks that are used in this document are used only for identification and remain the property of the owner in each case.

2 Safety

2.1 Proper use

The Lyovapor[™] L-200 is used for freeze-drying solid materials in ampoules, vials, dishes, round-neck or wide-neck flasks and trays is exclusively intended for that purpose. The Lyovapor[™] L-200 can be used in laboratories for the following tasks:

• Sublimating and re-sublimating water

2.2 Use other than that intended

Use of any other kind than that described in the section Chapter 2.1 "Proper use", page 9 and any application that does not comply with the technical specifications (see Chapter 3.6 "Technical data", page 17) constitutes use other than that intended.

In particular, the following applications are not permissible:

- Use of the instrument in an environment with a potential risk of explosion or areas which require explosion-safe apparatus.
- Use of the instrument for processing substances outside of research and development.
- Production and processing of substances that can lead to spontaneous reactions, such as explosives, metal hydrides or solvents that can form peroxides.
- Processing with explosive gas mixtures.
- Use of acids and alkalis without first checking material compatibility.

Damage or hazards attributable to use of the product other than as intended are entirely at the risk of the operator alone.

2.3 Staff qualification

Unqualified persons are unable to identify risks and are therefore exposed to greater dangers.

The instrument may only be operated by suitably qualified laboratory staff. These operating instructions are aimed at the following target groups:

Users

Users are persons that meet the following criteria:

- They have been instructed in the use of the instrument.
- They are familiar with the contents of these operating instructions and the applicable safety regulations and apply them.
- They are able on the basis of their training or professional experience to assess the risks associated with the use of the instrument.

Operator

The operator (generally the laboratory manager) is responsible for the following aspects:

- The instrument must be correctly installed, commissioned, operated and serviced.
- Only suitably qualified staff may be assigned the task of performing the operations described in these operating instructions.
- The staff must comply with the local applicable requirements and regulations for safe and hazard-conscious working practices.
- Safety-related incidents that occur while using the instrument should be reported to the manufacturer (quality@buchi.com).

BUCHI service technicians

Service technicians authorized by BUCHI have attended special training courses and are authorized by BÜCHI Labortechnik AG to carry out special servicing and repair measures.

2.4 Location of warning signs on the product (front view)

The following warning symbols are present on the instrument.

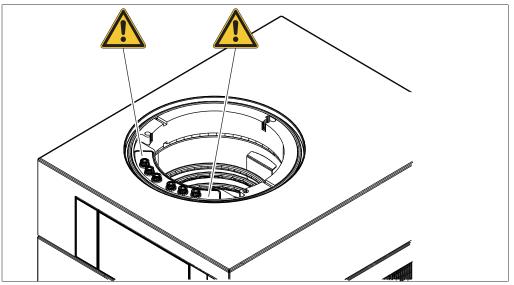


Fig. 1: Location of warning signs on the product

General warning

2.5 Residual risks

The instrument has been developed and manufactured using the latest technological advances. Nevertheless, risks to persons, property or the environment can arise if the instrument is used incorrectly.

Appropriate warnings in this manual serve to alert the user to these residual dangers.

2.5.1 Faults during operation

If a device is damaged, sharp edges or exposed electrical wires can cause injuries.

- ► Regularly check device for visible damage.
- If faults occur, switch off the device immediately, unplug the power cord and inform the operator.
- Do not continue to use devices that are damaged.

2.5.2 Damage to the ice condenser

Damage to the ice condenser leads to coolant leakage and failure of the instrument.

- ► Wait until the ice is completely thawed.
- Do not use mechanical means to remove ice from the ice condenser.

2.5.3 Glass and acrylic breakage

Broken glass and acrylic can cause severe cuts.

Damaged glass and acrylic components may implode if subjected to a vacuum. Minor damage to the ground joints impairs the sealing effect and may therefore diminish sublimination capacity.

- Handle the flask and other glass and acrylic components carefully and do not drop them.
- ► Always place the flasks in a suitable holder when they are not mounted on the Lyovapor[™].

- Always visually inspect glass and acrylic components for damage every time they are to be used.
- ▶ Do not continue to use glass and acrylic components that are damaged.
- ► Always wear protective gloves when disposing of broken glass and acrylic.

2.5.4 Low internal pressure

Evacuating the system reduces the pressure in the drying chamber. This reduced pressure can cause glass and acrylic components to implode.

▶ Make sure that all glass and acrylic components are free of damage.

2.5.5 Cold and hot surfaces

The condenser coil and probes can be extremely cold. Heatable shelf areas can be extremely hot. If touched, hot and cold surfaces can cause skin burns.

▶ Do not touch cold or hot surfaces or liquids and/or wear suitable protective gloves.

2.6 Personal protective equipment

Depending on the application, hazards due to heat and/or corrosive chemicals may arise.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment such as safety goggles, protective clothing and gloves.
- Make sure that the personal protective equipment meets the requirements of the safety data sheets for all chemicals used.

2.7 Modifications

Unauthorized modifications can affect safety and lead to accidents.

- ▶ Use only genuine BUCHI accessories, spare parts and consumables.
- ► Carry out technical changes only with prior written approval from BUCHI.
- ▶ Only allow changes to be made by BUCHI service technicians.

BUCHI accepts no liability for damage, faults and malfunctions resulting from unauthorized modifications.

3 Product description

3.1 Description of function

The Lyovapor[™] is a freeze-dryer in which frozen samples can be gently dried. The basis of freeze-drying is sublimation. Sublimation refers to the process whereby a substance transforms directly from the solid to the gaseous state. The physical process of sublimation can be explained using the solvent water as an

The physical process of sublimation can be explained using the solvent water as an example.

- The water is frozen.
- The frozen water is transformed into the gaseous state under vacuum at a pressure below the triple point.

Thus, freeze-drying takes place in three phases:

- 1. Freezing phase: the sample is frozen at atmospheric pressure.
- 2. **Main drying phase:** heat is applied to the frozen sample under a vacuum. The frozen water is removed by sublimation.
- 3. Secondary drying phase (only possible with heatable shelves): the trace levels of water remaining are removed by heating.

The Lyovapor[™] consists of an ice condenser and various top-mount drying racks. The top-mount drying racks can be chosen to suit the availability of the sample being dried and the requirements of the end product.

- The following top-mount drying racks can be used:
- Non-heatable and heatable shelves in rack
- Trays in rack
- Top-mount rack with manifold valves

3.1.1 Freezing phase

In the freezing phase, the aqueous preparation is transformed to a solid state. Freezing takes place under atmospheric pressure using a separate freezer, a liquid nitrogen bath, or a mixture of dry ice and alcohol.

The end of the freezing phase is reached as soon as the water contained in the preparation has fully crystallized.

3.1.2 Main drying phase

In the main drying phase, the ice crystals are removed from the preparation by sublimation. Sublimation in the Lyovapor[™] takes place under a vacuum with the addition of thermal energy.

To create the vaccum, the pressure is lowered to the level required for sublimation. For water that is: less than 6.11mbar.

As the ice condenser is colder than the preparation being dried, the vapour pressure in the area of the ice condenser is lower than in the area of the preparation. The water vapour escaping from the preparation therefore flows towards the ice condenser. The water vapour condenses on the coil of the ice condenser. If a manifold-valve rack is used, heat transfer takes place by convection and radiation from the surroundings. Control of the thermal energy transferred is then difficult. If using a drying chamber with heatable shelves, heat transfer takes place by direct contact. The temperature of the heatable shelves is controllable. Control of the thermal energy transferred is then possible. Controlling the heat transfer prevents the following critical temperatures for amorphous and crystalline materials to be reached:

- the glass transition temperature T_{α} of the frozen preparation
- the collapse temperature T_c.
- the eutectic temperature T_{eu}.

Above the glass transition temperature and the collapse temperature, the viscosity of the frozen preparation increases. The increased viscosity leads to the collapse of the preparation's matrix structure.

Above the eutectic temperature, the preparation melts.

During the main drying phase, the product temperature must remain below the collapse temperature for amorphous materials in the preparation.

Sublimation of the ice crystals progresses downwards from the surface of the product. Above the sublimation boundary, the product is dry ("freeze-dried cake"), while further inside the product is still frozen.

The end of the main drying phase is reached when all ice crystals have been removed from the preparation.

After the main drying phase, the remaining fluid content in the preparation can still be between 5 to 10%.

3.1.3 Secondary-drying phase

In the secondary drying phase, the unfrozen water is removed from the sample by desorption. The secondary drying function is performed by the heatable shelves in the drying chamber of the Lyovapor[™].

In the secondary drying phase, the temperature of the heatable shelves is raised and held for several hours.

The end of the secondary drying phase is reached when the residual moisture in the sample is between 1% and 5% or the end point determination is succeeded.

3.2 Configuration

3.2.1 Front view

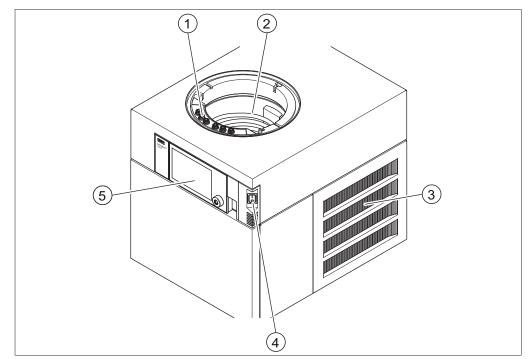


Fig. 2: Front view Lyovapor™ L-200

- Connections for heated shelves (Lyovapor[™] L-200 Pro only) (48 V, max. 2 A)
- 3 Ventilation slots
- 5 User interface

3.2.2 Rear view

- 2 Ice condenser
- 4 On/Off master switch

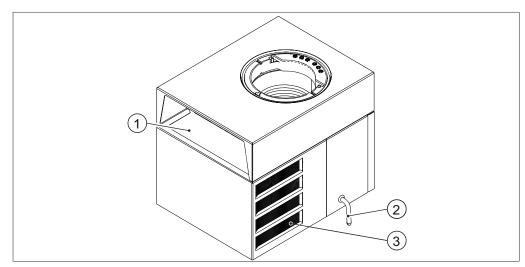


Fig. 3: Rear view[Lyovapor L-200]

- 1 Connections on the rear side (See Chapter 3.2.3 "Connections on the rear side", page 15)
- 2 Drain hose for condensate

3 Ventilation slots



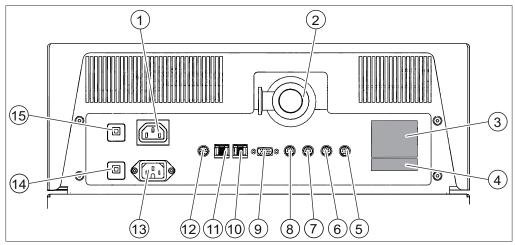


Fig. 4: Connections on rear panel

- 1 Vacuum pump connection
- 3 Type plate
- Main valve connection 5 $(24 \text{ V}, \le 0.4 \text{ A})$
- 7 Aeration valve connection (24 V, ≤ 0.4 A)
- 9 External pressure sensor connection 10 Internal pressure sensor connection (24 V, max. 0.125 A)
- 11 LAN port
- 13 Power supply connection
- 15 Fuse

- 2 Vacuum connection
- Refrigerant details 4
- 6 Pressure regulating valve connection $(24 \text{ V}, \le 0.4 \text{ A})$
- 8 Spare (24 V, ≤ 0.4 A)
 - (5 V, max. 0.125 A)
- 12 COM port (24 V, ≤ 0.4 A)
- 14 Fuse

3.2.4 Control panel

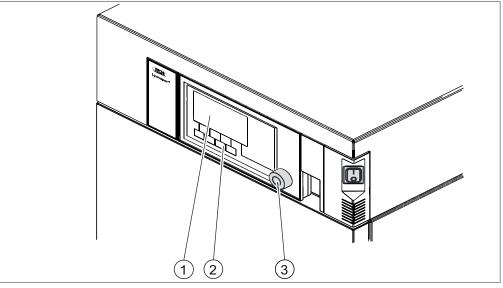


Fig. 5: Control panel

- 1 View
- Navigation control 3

2 Function buttons

3.2.5 Pro control panel

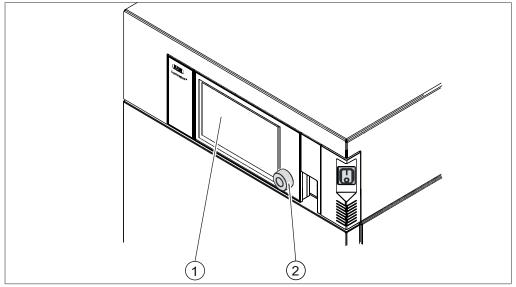


Fig. 6: Pro control panel

- 1 Touch-screen display
- 2 Navigation control

3.3 Type plate

The type plate identifies the instrument. The type plate is located on the rear of the instrument.

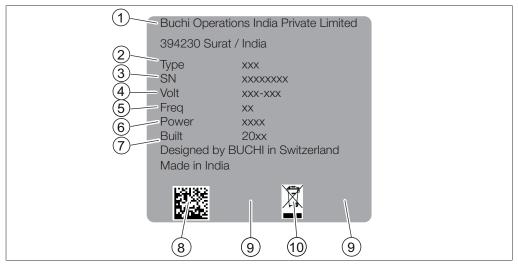


Fig. 7: Type plate

- 1 Company name and address
- 3 Serial number
- 5 Frequency
- 7 Year of manufacture
- 9 Approvals

- 2 Instrument name
- 4 Input voltage range
- 6 Power consumption maximum
- 8 Product code
- 10 Symbol for "Do not dispose of as household waste"

The following instrument names are possible:

- L-200
- L-200 Pro

3.4 Scope of delivery



The scope of delivery depends of the configuration of the purchase order.

Accessories are delivered as per the purchase order, order confirmation, and delivery note.

3.5 Refrigerant Specification

The instrument uses 2 type of compressors to maintain the ice condenser temperature. For details see Lyovapor™ L-300.

3.6 Technical data

3.6.1 Lyovapor[™] L-200

Specification	L-200 for 50 Hz	L-200 for 60 Hz
Dimensions without drying attach- ments (W x D x H)	460 × 585 × 510 mm	460 × 585 × 510 mm
Weight	75 kg	75 kg
Minimum clearance on all sides	300 mm	300 mm
Connection voltage	220-240 VAC	208-230 VAC
Power consumption (rated)	1'200 W	1'200 W
Power consumption (maximum)	1'800 W	1'800 W
Lug	10 A/250 V	10 A/250 V
Frequency	50 Hz	60 Hz
Overvoltage category	II	II
Protection rating	IP20	IP20
Pollution degree	2	2
Condensing capacity at 20 °C ambient temperature	≥ 6 kg / 24 h	≥ 6 kg / 24 h
Lowest condenser temperature	-55 °C	-55 °C
Temperature divergence	± 3.0 °C	± 3.0 °C
Condenser capacity	≤ 6 kg	≤ 6 kg
Condenser surface area	1'410 cm ²	1'410 cm ²
Number of compressors	1	1
Refrigerant	R507 CFC-free	R507 CFC-free
Refrigerant quantity	485 g	442 g
Drying shelf temperature regulation	up to 60 °C	up to 60 °C
Inert gas pressure	1.1 - 1.2 bar (max. 2 bar)	1.1 - 1.2 bar (max. 2 bar)
Drying shelf temperature tolerance	± 1.0 °C	± 1.0 °C
Cooling capacity compressor	1.97 kW	2.33 kW
Vacuum generation time to 0.1 mbar*	Typically ≤ 10 min	Typically ≤ 10 min
Volume-based leakage rate*	Typically ≤ 0.001 mbar x L/sec	Typically ≤ 0.001 mb x L/sec

Specification	L-200 for 50 Hz	L-200 for 60 Hz
Minimum system vacuum (with Pfeiffer Duo 6 vacuum pump / without samples)	Typically ≤ 30 mTorr	Typically ≤ 30 mTorr
Optimum control range vacuum (with Pfeiffer Duo 6 vacuum pump / without samples)	50 to 500 mTorr	50 to 500 mTorr
Certificates	CE / CSA	CE / CSA

3.6.2 Ambient conditions

For indoor use only.

Max. altitude above sea level	2'000 m
Ambient temperature	15 - 30°C
Maximum relative humidity	80 % for temperatures up to 30°C
Storage temperature	max. 45°C

3.6.3 Materials



NOTE

Further information on chemical resistance. See *List of chemical resistances Lyovapor*™

Component	Materials
Lyovapor™ housing	Steel 1.4301/304 with powder coating
Vacuum chamber and components	Steel 1.4301/304
Main connector	PE-UHMW 1000
Drying chamber tube and cover	PMMA GS
Seals	FKM
Manifold drying rack	Steel 1.4301/304
Manifold valves	Natural rubber, PP
Cooling medium circuit	Copper for freezing applications to EN 12735-1
Vacuum clips	Aluminium
Condensate drain tube	Silicone
Condensate drain, ventilation and control valve	Brass with EPDM seal
Main valve	Aluminum with FKM seal

4 Transport and storage

4.1 Transport



NOTICE

Risk of breakage due to incorrect transportation

Make sure that the instrument is fully dismantled.

Pack every instrument components properly to prevent breakage. Use the original packaging whenever possible.

Avoid sharp movements during transit.

- ▶ After transporting, check the instrument and all glass components for damage.
- ▶ Damage that has occurred in transit should be reported to the carrier.
- ► Keep packaging for future transportation.

4.2 Storage

- Make sure that the ambient conditions are complied with (see Chapter 3.6 "Technical data", page 17).
- ▶ Wherever possible, store the device in its original packaging.
- After storage, check the device, all glass components, seals and tubing for damage and replace if necessary.

4.3 Lifting the instrument



WARNING

Danger due to incorrect transportation

The possible consequences are crushing injuries, cuts and breakages.

- ▶ The instrument should be transported by four persons at the same time.
- Lift the instrument at the points indicated.

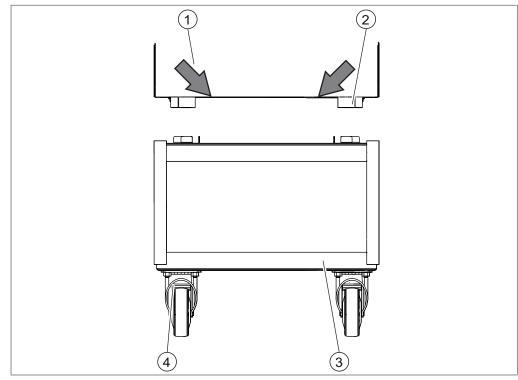


Fig. 8: Lifting the instrument

Equipment trolley

1 Instrument

- 2 Feet
- 4 Castor brakes on trolley

Precondition:

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- $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$ Make sure that the castor brakes on the equipment trolley are locked on.
- Lift the instrument this requires four persons each lifting at one of the points indicated on the front and rear of the instrument.
- ▶ Set the instrument down on the equipment trolley.

5 Installation

5.1 Installation site



NOTICE

Instrument damaged if switched on too early.

After transporting, wait twelve hours before switching on the instrument. The fluid in the cooling system requires twelve hours to collect in the refrigerant compressor.

The installation site must meet the following requirements:

- Firm, level surface
- Minimum space requirement: 520 mm x 645 mm x 510 mm (W x D x H).
- · Take into account the maximum product dimensions and weight.
- Take into account the 1100 mm operating height of the drying attachments.
- Clearance on each side of the instrument must be at least 30 cm. This clearance ensures air circulation and prevents the instrument from overheating.
- Do not place loose papers or cloths below or to the sides of the instrument, as these could impede the air circulation if drawn in.
- Operate the instrument at an ambient temperature of +15°C to +30°C.
- Do not expose the instrument to any external thermal loads, such as direct solar radiation.
- When installing the instrument, make sure that the feet do not bend.
- When mounting on an instrument cart, place the feet of the instrument into the supports on the instrument cart.

NOTE

Make sure that the power supply can be interrupted at any time during an emergency.

5.2 Securing against earthquakes

The Lyovapor™ L-200 has an earthquake fixing point to protect the device against falling.

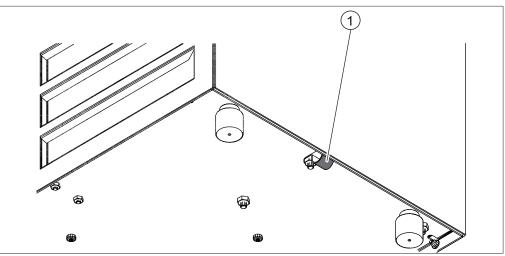


Fig. 9: Lyovapor™ L-200

1 Lashing mount

▶ Tie the lashing mount to a fixed point using strong cord or a wire.

5.3 Putting the instrument in operation



NOTICE

Instrument damaged if restarted too early

Wait ten minutes before restarting the instrument. The oil in the refrigerant compressor requires ten minutes to return to the collection tank.

5.3.1 Preparing the instrument

- Clean the instrument with a damp cloth before commissioning.
- ▶ Check all sealing surfaces for scratches, dust, and cleanliness.

5.3.2 Establishing electrical connections



NOTICE

Risk of instrument damage because of not suitable power supply cables.

Not suitable power supply cables can cause bad performance or an instrument damage

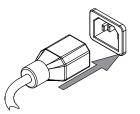
• Use only BUCHI power supply cables.

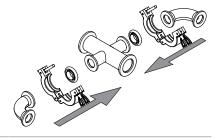
Precondition:

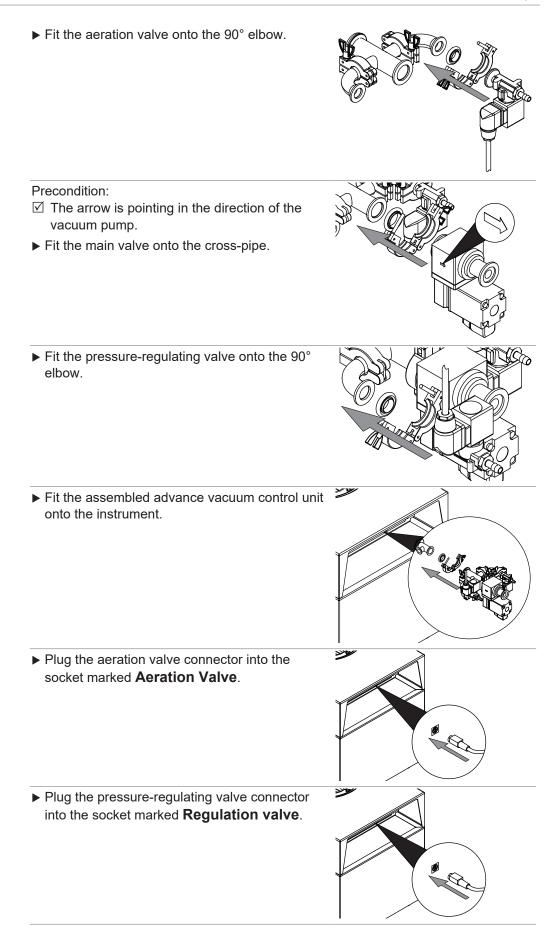
- ☑ The electrical installation is as specified on the type plate.
- ☑ The electrical installation is equipped with a proper grounding system.
- ☑ The electrical installation is equipped with suitable fuses and electrical safety features.
- ☑ The installation site is as specified in the technical date. See Chapter 3.6 "Technical data", page 17.
- Connect the power supply cable to the connection on the instrument. See Chapter 3.2 "Configuration", page 14.
- Connect the mains plug to an own mains outlet socket.

5.3.3 Fitting the advanced vacuum control unit

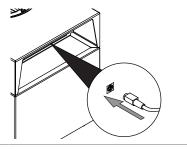
▶ Fit the 90° elbows onto the cross-pipe.





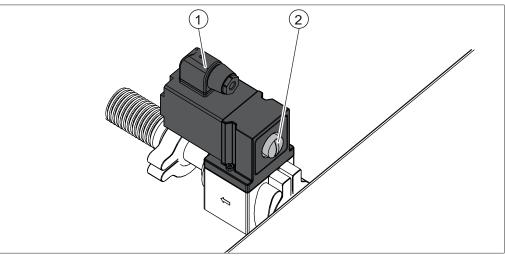


Plug the main valve connector into the socket marked Main Valve.



5.3.4 Manual switch on the main valve

Use the main valve manual switch to set the vacuum control mode.





1 Main valve

2 Manual switch on main valve

Manual switch positions

Manual switch position	Meaning	
	Precondition: ☑ Pressure-regulating valve and venting valve are connected. ▶ The vacuum is regulated by the pressure-regulating valve	
	and venting valve. Precondition:	
	Pressure-regulating valve and venting valve are not connected.	
	The vacuum is regulated by the main valve.	
	Precondition: ☑ The main valve manual switch is depressed.	
	As long as the main valve manual switch is depressed, vacuum regulation is deactivated.	
	The vacuum is not regulated.	

5.3.5 Connecting the inert gas (optional feature)

Precondition:

- ✓ Make sure that the pressure of the inert gas matches the technical specifications. See Chapter 3.6 "Technical data", page 17
- Fit the inert gas tube onto the gas connection on the pressure regulating valve.
- ▶ Fix the inert gas tube with the tube clip.

5.3.6 Assembling pressure sensor PPG010 (optional accessory)

The pressure sensor measures the pressure in the ice condenser. To protect against damage in transit, the pressure sensor is supplied pre-calibrated in the original packaging.

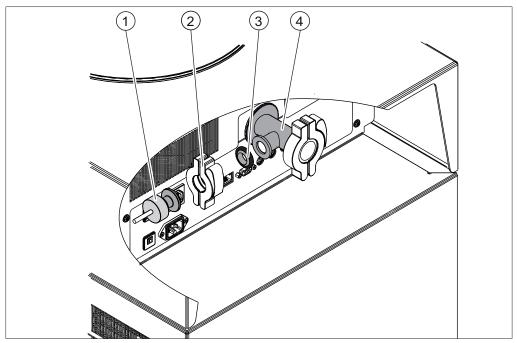


Fig. 11: Fitting the pressure sensor

- 1 Pressure sensor PPG010
- 3 Seal, ISO-KF 16

- 2 Clamp, ISO-KF 16
- 4 Connection, ISO-KF 16
- ▶ Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.
- ▶ Remove the shipping cap from the connection (4).
- ▶ Fit the pressure sensor (1) and seal (3) to the connection (4) and fix with the clamp (2).
- Plug the pressure sensor electrical connection into the socket marked **Internal** Vacuum Sensor.
- Select the sensor from the submenu [Settings] on the control panel.

5.3.7 Assembling the alternative pressure sensor (optional accessory)

Instead of the standard pressure sensor, an alternative pressure sensor can be used.

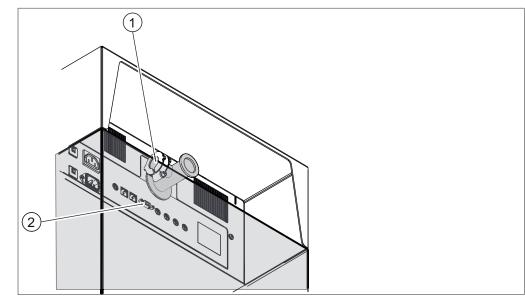
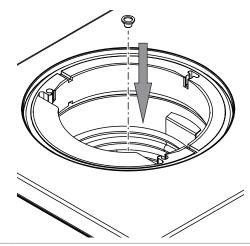


Fig. 12: Fitting alternative pressure sensor

- 1 Connection, ISO-KF 16
- 2 External pressure sensor connection
- Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.
- Remove the blanking cap from the connection (1).
- Connect the pressure sensor to the connection (1).
- Plug the pressure sensor connecting lead into the socket marked External Vacuum Sensor (2).
- Select the sensor from the submenu [Settings] on the control panel.

5.3.8 Fitting the drain valve strainer

Place the drain valve strainer in the waste outlet in the base of the ice condenser.



5.3.9 Preparing the condensate drain hose



Risk of scalding by hot water

• Make sure the condensate drain hose is not loose.



NOTICE

Contamination of the device

Escaping condensate can contaminate the instrument.

- ► Fit the condensate drain hose with a downward slope. Make sure that the drain hose is not immersed in the condensate.
- Seal the condensate drain hose with the end plug as soon as cleaning of the instrument is completed.

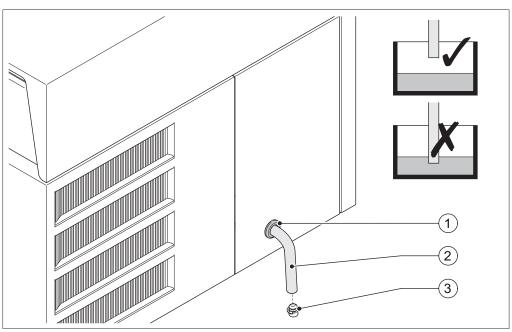


Fig. 13: Condensate drain hose

- 1 Rubber ring
- 3 End plug

2 Drain hose for condensate

The condensate drain hose is on the side of the instrument. The drain hose is sealed with an end plug. The condensation is drained off through this drain hose after completion of the freeze-drying process.

- Pull the drain hose (2) together with end plug (3) out of the side panel of the instrument.
- Remove the end plug.
- ▶ Direct the drain hose into a waste outlet or place a container underneath it.

5.4 Commissioning the vacuum pump

The vacuum pump evacuates the top-mount drying rack during the freeze-drying process.



NOTICE

Open gas ballast valve.

A closed gas ballast valve when using solvents can cause damage to the instrument.

Open the gas ballast valve.



NOTE

To increase the service life of the vacuum pump, operate the vacuum pump with an open gas ballast valve.



NOTE

Prepare the vacuum pump according to the manufacturer's instructions. See relevant documentation.

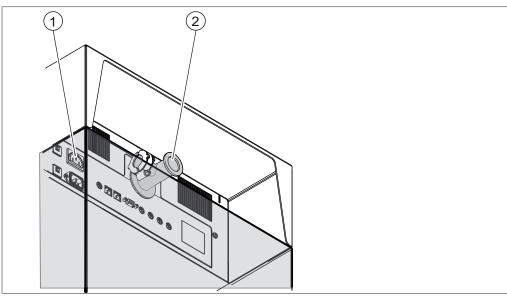


Fig. 14: Connections for vacuum pump

- 1 Vacuum pump power connection
- 2 Vacuum tube connection, ISO-KF 25
- Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.
- ► Connect the vacuum pump vacuum tube to the vacuum tube connection (2).
- Plug the vacuum pump electrical connection into the socket marked Vacuum Pump.

5.5 Establishing LAN connection

5.5.1 Requirements for local network settings

- The following port has to be enabled in the firewall settings on the internet gateway:
- TCP (HTTPS) traffics through remote port 443

► In order to use the BUCHI Cloud a DNS server must be configured on the instrument.



NOTE

If there is no DNS server available enter the IP address for the BUCHI Cloud connection manually.

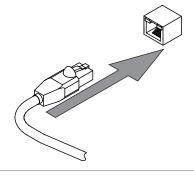


If there is no DHCP server available enter the IP address, gateway subnet mask and DNS server manually.

5.5.2 Preparing the instrument for app using

NOTICE! Do not unplug the LAN cable while the unit is connected to the BUCHI Cloud Services.

- Connect the unit to the LAN (local area network).
- Restart the unit.



Navigation path

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→ [Settings] → [Network]

- ► Navigate to [Network].
- Activate the function [DHCP].
- \Rightarrow The unit is now ready.

5.5.3 Enabling BUCHI Cloud access

Enable access to BUCHI Cloud in order to use the BUCHI Monitor App and BUCHI Lyovapor software.

Navigation path

→	ট্য	→ Settings → Network → BUCHI Cloud	
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- ▶ Navigate to the action [BUCHI Cloud] via the navigation path.
- Select the option [Yes].
- \Rightarrow The instrument is connected to the BUCHI Cloud.

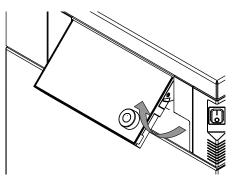
5.6 Insert SD card (Pro control panel only)

NOTE

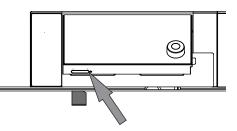
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Only insert or remove the SD card in Standby mode.

► Fold the control panel forward.



▶ Insert the SD card on the underside.



- Switch on the instrument.
- ⇒ The status bar shows the SD card symbol.

The following data is stored on the SD card:

- Numbering
- Date
- Time
- Set pressure
- Current pressure in the ice condenser
- Inlet temperature of the ice condensers
- Set drying shelf temperature
- Current temperature of the drying shelves
- Current sample temperatures

6 Operating the control panel

This section describes the operation of the instrument using the control panel.



A CAUTION

Risk of injury from glass splinters

Sharp objects can damage the display.

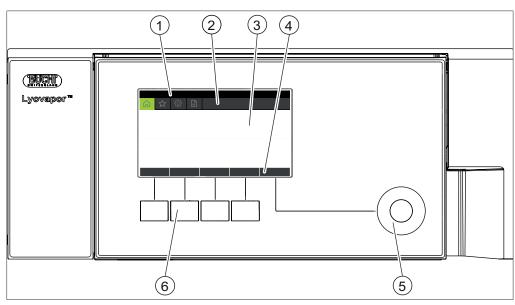
► Keep sharp objects away from the display.



NOTICE

Unnecessary operation hours can affect the lifetime of the instrument.

Turn off the instrument if no samples are proceeded for several days.



6.1 Layout of the control panel

Fig. 15: Layout of the control panel

No.	Description	Function
1	Status bar	Shows the current status of the instrument.
2	Menu bar	Shows symbols representing the menus.
3	Content area	Shows current settings, submenus or actions depending on current operation.
4	Function bar	Shows functions that can be performed ac- cording to the current operation.
5	Navigation control	Used for navigating the user interface. Pressing the control performs the assigned function on the function bar.
6	Function buttons	Pressing a function button performs the as- signed function on the function bar.

6.2 Function bar

The function bar shows available functions according to the current operation.

The functions on the function bar are executed by tapping the relevant function buttons or pressing the navigation control.

Symbol	Description	Meaning
$\overleftarrow{}$	[Back]	The display reverts to the previous view.
ESC	[Cancel]	Cancels an operation.
→ ☆	[Add to favourites]	Adds the selected item to the [[Favourites]] menu.
REMOVE	[Remove from favourites]	Removes the selected item from the [Favourites] menu.
OK	[Confirm]	Confirms an entry.
EDIT	[Edit]	Allows the selected item to be edited.
MENU	[Menu]	Allows selection of a menu from the menu bar using the navigation con- trol.
SAVE	[Save]	Saves the setting.

General function buttons

Process control function buttons

Symbol	Description	Meaning
	[Defrost]	Defrosts the ice condenser.
AERATE	[Aerate]	Vents the system.
+∰ OFF	[Shut down]	The instrument shuts down.
START	[[Start]]	Starts the freeze-drying process.
v ∰ ON	[Start conditioning]	Starts the conditioning phase.
SKIP	[[Skip]]	Skips the current process.

6.3 Menu bar

The menus are represented by symbols on the menu bar. Navigation through the menus is by input controls.

The following menus are available:

Menu symbol	Meaning	Submenu/Action
\bigcirc	<i>[Start]</i> menu	 Process control parameters
\sim	<i>[Favourites]</i> menu	 Bookmarks for individual entry points

Menu symbol	Meaning	Submenu/Action
$\langle \gamma \gamma \rangle$	[Configuration] menu	 Process settings
		Settings
	-	Servicing
		Service
		 System information
	[Messages] menu	Notifications
		• Journal

6.3.1 Start menu

On the [Start] menu, parameters can be set manually.

Changing parameters

- Select a parameter by turning the navigation control.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in green.
- ► Tap the function *[Edit]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in black.
- To increase or decrease the figure, turn the navigation control clockwise or anticlockwise.
- ► Tap the function *[Save]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.

6.3.2 Favourites menu

The *[Favourites]* menu allows you to define submenus and actions as bookmarks.

Adding a favourite

- ▶ Navigate to a submenu or action.
- ► Tap the function [Add to favourites] on the function bar.
- ⇒ The user interface switches to the [Delete] menu and displays the favourite created.

Removing a favourite

- ▶ On the [Favourites] menu, navigate to the favourite you wish to remove.
- ▶ Tap the function [Delete] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The favourite is removed.

6.3.3 Configuration menu

On the *[Configuration]* menu, you can enter a variety of settings and retrieve information.

Process settings submenu

The submenu [Process Settings] contains functions for automatic process control.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Vacuum test after	Off/On	Automatic vacuum test after the con-
conditioning]		ditioning phase.

Settings submenu

The submenu [Settings] contains system settings for the instrument.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Mobile connection password]	View	The control panel shows a password for entry in the BUCHI Monitor app.
[Mobile connection QR code]	View	The control unit shows a QR code for reading by the BUCHI Monitor app.
[Language]	Choice of display lan- guage on the control panel	The following languages are avail- able: English/German/French/Italian/Span- ish/Russian/Portuguese/Japanese/ Chinese/Indonesian/Korean
[Temperature unit]	Choice of unit for indica- tion of temperatures	The following units are available: °C (Celsius)/°F (Fahrenheit)/K (Kelvin)
[Pressure unit]	Choice of unit for indica- tion of the vacuum	The following units are available: HPa (hectopascals), mbar (millibars), torr (= torr), mTorr (= millitorr), mmHg (millimetres of mercury)
[Date]	Date input	Enter in sequence: Day, month, year. Apply the settings by pressing <i>[Save]</i> .
[Time]	Time input	Enter in sequence: Minutes, hours. Apply the settings by pressing <i>[Save]</i> .
[Pressure sensor]	Selection	Shows the available pressure sensors.
[Vacuum pump oil exchange]	Enter value	Enter the oil change interval recom- mended by the manufacturer.
[Key sound]	Off/On	Setting for audible signal in response to input controls.
[Display bright- ness]	Enter setting	Display illumination level in %: 0 - 100
[Network]	Enter value	The following parameters can be edited: Device name/MAC address/DHCP/ System IP address/Subnet mask/ Gateway/DNS server/BUCHI Cloud/ Server IP address
[Delete app con- nection]	Confirmation question	Resets external connections to the in- strument.

Submenu Maintenance

The submenu [Maintenance] contains tests for maintaining the instrument.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Vacuum test]	Perform vacuum test	See Chapter 9.2 "Performing a vac- uum test", page 77
[Leak test]	Perform leak test	See Chapter 9.3.1 "Performing a leak test with a drying chamber", page 77

Submenu Service



While freeze-drying is in progress, no settings can be changed on the Service submenu.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Refrigerant cir- cuit]	View	The following information on the re- frigerant circuit is available:
		Operating hours
		Compressor
		Ice condenser inlet temperature
		 Ice condenser outlet temperature
		 High-pressure safety cut-out
		 Low-pressure safety cut-out
[Vacuum system]	View	The following information on the vac- uum pump is available:
		 Pump hours of duty
		 Pump oil hours of duty
		 Pressure in the ice condenser
		Main valve
		 Vacuum pump
		 Venting valve
		 Regulating valve
		 Vacuum regulation 1
		 Vacuum regulation 2
[Defrosting sys- tem]	Display/entry of figures	The following information on the de- frosting system is available:
-		Hours of duty
		 Drain valve open/closed

Submenu System Information

The submenu *[System information]* contains details of the connected components and information on network connection diagnosis.

Option	Explanation
View	The following information on the con- trol panel is available:
	Serial number
	 Firmware version
	 Operating hours
	Status
	 Board Temperature
	 24V power supply
	 5V power supply
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Action	Option	Explanation
[L-200]	View	The following information on the L-200 is available:
		Serial number
		Firmware version
		Hours of duty
		Status
		PCB Temperature
		• 48 V power supply
		• 24 V power supply
		• 5 V power supply
		• 3.3 V power supply
[Network diagnos- tics]	- View/Enter settings	The following network diagnosis infor- mation is available:
		MAC address
		 Network interruptions
		Event list

6.3.4 Messages menu

The *[Messages]* menu shows the current instrument messages and the instrument's message history.

The following message types are possible:

- I = Information: No immediate actions by customer are needed.
- W = Warning: Minor failures during operation. Customer action is required.
- E = Error: Major failures during operation due to defective system component. Usually service support is needed.

Submenu Notifications

The submenu *[Notifications]* shows a list of unacknowledged and unresolved notifications together with date and time in each case.

Submenu Logbook

The submenu *[Logbook]* shows the instrument's message history. Logbook:

- List of the last 100 messages.
- Every occurrence is shown with date and time.

The following status types are possible:

Symbol	Description	Meaning
x	Acknowledged	The message has been be processed and acknowledged.
<	Sent	The message initiator is no longer present.
>	Received	The display shows a message.

6.4 Status bar

The status bar shows the status of the instrument. The following statuses are possible:

Status	
Conditioning is completed.	
Before the freeze-drying process:	
Load the top-mount drying rack with a frozen sam- ple.	
After the freeze-drying process:	
Remove the dried sample from the top-mount dry- ing rack.	
The system is venting.	
The instrument is shutting down.	
 The aeration valve and the drain valve are closed. 	
 The status bar shows the remaining time. 	
The instrument is defrosting.	
 The aeration valve and the drain valve are open. 	
 The status bar shows the remaining time. 	
 Manual defrosting with water possible. 	
Shutting down is completed.	
The instrument is starting up including starting re- frigerant compressors and vacuum pump.	
The vacuum pump is being brought up to operat- ing temperature.	
The instrument is performing a vacuum test.	
The instrument is performing a leak test.	
The instrument is in the course of a manual freeze-drying process.	
The system is in the process of recovering from a power failure (> 15 min).	
The current parameters of the freeze-drying process are being re-established.	
The instrument is restarting after a temporary power failure (< 15 min).	

Indication on status bar

Symbols on the status bar

Symbol	Status	
	The instrument is connected to the BUCHI Cloud.	
÷₹.	The instrument is defrosting.	
****	The instrument is starting up.	
	The instrument is in energy-saving mode.	

Symbol	Status
<u></u> <u> </u> <u> </u>	Before the freeze-drying process: Load the top-mount drying rack with a frozen sam- ple.
	After the freeze-drying process: Remove the dried sample from the top-mount dry- ing rack.
V	The system evacuates to the set pressure.
Т	The instrument is performing a vacuum test or a leak test.

6.5 Carrying out freeze-drying

6.5.1 Preparing the instrument

Time approx. re- 30min quired:



NOTE

To minimize the condensation of moisture from the air in the condenser, place a drying rack.

Navigation path

→ Start

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the function [Start conditioning] on the function bar.
- ⇒ The temperature in the ice condenser decreases to operating temperature.
- \Rightarrow The vacuum pump is brought up to operating temperature.
- After completion of the conditioning phase, the status bar shows the status Unload / Load.

6.5.2 Starting freeze-drying



Risk of skin burns from touching parts of the ice condenser after completion of conditioning.

Wear protective gloves when working on the instrument after the conditioning phase.

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The instrument has been prepared.

- ► Fit a top-mount drying rack. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63.
- ▶ Load the top-mount drying rack with frozen samples.
- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.

- ▶ Enter the required settings for the process parameters.
- ► Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The freeze-drying process starts.
- ⇒ The control panel shows the *Start* menu with a black background.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows a clock counting up and the status **Manual Drying**.
- \Rightarrow The system evacuates to the set pressure.

6.5.3 Editing parameters while the process is running

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The freeze-drying process has been started.

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Navigate to the desired parameter using the navigation control.
- ► Tap the function *[Edit]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in white.
- ▶ Turn the navigation control to increase or decrease the parameter setting.
- ► Tap the function *[Save]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.

6.5.4 Ending freeze-drying

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

☑ The sample is dry.

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the function *[Aerate]* on the function bar.
- Answer **YES** to the confirmation question.
- \Rightarrow The system is vented.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Aerating**.
- As soon as the status bar shows the status Unload / Load, remove the dried sample from the drying rack.

6.5.5 Shutting down the instrument

Time 40min

required:

NOTICE

Do not use force to remove the ice from the ice condenser.

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition: ☑ The freeze-drying process has ended.

- Position the condensate drain hose so that the condensate can be drained off. See Chapter 5.3.9 "Preparing the condensate drain hose", page 26
- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function *[Shut down]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The instrument is shutting down.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the remaining time and the status **Defrosting**.
- After the instrument has shut down, the status bar shows the remaining time and the status **Shutting down**.
- ▶ Put hot water on ice condenser coil for defrosting.
- ▶ Wait until ice is completely removed.

6.5.6 Switching off the instrument

Precondition:

- $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$ The instrument has been shut down. See Shutting down the instrument
- Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.

7 Operating Pro control panel

This section describes the operation of the instrument using the Pro control panel.



A CAUTION

Risk of injury from glass splinters

Sharp objects can damage the display.

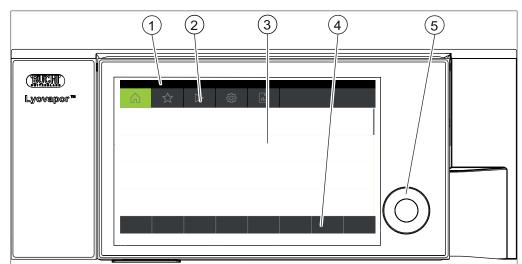
► Keep sharp objects away from the display.



NOTICE

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Turn off the instrument if no samples are proceeded for several days.



7.1 Layout of Pro control panel

Fig. 16: Layout of Pro control panel

No.	Description	Function
1	Status bar	Shows the current status of the instrument.
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3	Content area	Shows current settings, submenus or actions depending on the current operation.
4	Function bar	Shows functions that can be performed ac- cording to the current operation
5	Navigation control	Used for navigating the user interface. Press- ing the control performs the assigned function on the function bar.

7.2 Function bar

The function bar shows functions that can be performed according to the current operation.

The functions on the function bar are executed by tapping the relevant function buttons or pressing the navigation control.

General function buttons

Symbol	Description	Meaning
	[Back]	The display reverts to the previous view.
ESC	[Cancel]	Cancels an operation.
→ ☆	[Add to favourites]	Adds the selected item to the [[Favourites]] menu.
REMOVE	[Remove from favourites]	Removes the selected item from the [Favourites] menu.
OK	[Confirm]	Confirms an entry.
EDIT	[Edit]	Allows the selected item to be edited.
MENU	[Menu]	Allows selection of a menu from the menu bar using the navigation con- trol.
SAVE	[Save]	Saves the setting.

Process control function buttons

Symbol	Description	Meaning
<i>₩</i> .	[Defrost]	Defrosts the ice condenser.
AERATE	[Aerate]	Vents the system.
🔆 OFF	[Shut down]	The instrument shuts down.
START	[[Start]]	Starts the freeze-drying process.
🔆 ON	[Start conditioning]	Starts the conditioning phase.
MANUAL	[Manual]	Switches to manual freeze-drying.
METHOD	[Method]	Switches to freeze-drying with pro- grammable parameters.
NEW	[New]	Creates a new method
>	[Right]	Moves the selection to the right.
<	[Left]	Moves the selection to the left.
úil	[Progression]	Graphical display of method progres- sion showing pressure and tempera- ture details.
ACTIVATE	[Activate]	Confirms selection of a method.
SKIP	[[Skip]]	Skips the current process.
DELETE	[Delete]	Deletes the selected entry.
COPY	[Copy]	Copies the selected method.

7.3 Other symbols on the control panel

Symbol	Description	Meaning
7	[Closed]	The assigned method is active and cannot be changed.

7.4 Menu bar

The menus are represented by symbols on the menu bar. Navigation through the menus is by the input controls.

The following menus are available:

Menu symbol	Meaning	Submenu/Action
	Start menu	 Process control parameters
\sum	Favourites menu	 Bookmarks for individual entry points
	Method menu	For saving freeze-drying methods
		• Editing and activating freeze-drying method
$\langle \gamma \rangle$	Configuration menu	Process settings
		Settings
	-	 End point determination
		Maintenance
		Service
		System information
	Messages menu	Notifications
		• Journal

7.4.1 Start menu

On the [Start] menu, parameters can be set manually.

Setting parameters using the navigation control

- Select a parameter by turning the navigation control.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in green.
- ▶ Tap the function *[Edit]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in black.
- ▶ To increase or decrease the figure, use the dialog box with a numeric input.
- ▶ Press the navigation control.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the new setting in green.

Setting parameters using the touch-screen

- ▶ Select the parameter by tapping the control panel screen.
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a dialog box with a numeric input box.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected parameter in black.
- Enter the value in the numeric input box.

- ► Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the new setting in green.

7.4.2 Favourites menu

The [Favourites] menu allows you to define submenus and actions as favourites.

Adding a favourite

- ▶ Navigate to a submenu or action.
- ► Tap the function [Add to favourites] on the function bar.
- ⇒ The user interface switches to the [Favourites] menu and displays the favourite created.

Removing a favourite

- ▶ On the *[Favourites]* menu, navigate to the favourite you wish to remove.
- ► Tap the function [Delete] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The favourite is removed.

7.4.3 Method menu

The *[Method]* menu allows freeze-drying processes with multiple phases and steps to be saved. See Chapter 7.6 "Editing a method", page 49

7.4.4 Configuration menu

On the *[Configuration]* menu, you can enter a variety of settings and retrieve information.

Process settings submenu

The submenu [Process Settings] contains actions for automatic process control.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Vacuum test after conditioning]	Off/On	Automatic vacuum test after the con- ditioning phase.
[Leak test after conditioning]	Off/On	Automatic leak test after the condi- tioning phase.

Settings submenu

The submenu [Settings] contains system settings for the instrument.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Mobile connection password]	View	The control panel shows a password for entry in the BUCHI Monitor app.
[Mobile connection QR code]	View	The control unit shows a QR code for reading by the BUCHI Monitor app.
[Language]	Choice of display lan- guage on the control panel	The following languages are avail- able: English/German/French/Italian/Span- ish/Russian/Portuguese/Japanese/ Chinese/Indonesian/Korean

Action	Option	Explanation
[Temperature unit]	Choice of unit for indica- tion of temperatures	The following units are available: °C (Celsius)/°F (Fahrenheit)/K (Kelvin)
[Pressure unit]	Choice of unit for indica- tion of the vacuum	The following units are available: HPa (hectopascals), mbar (millibars), torr (= torr), mTorr (= millitorr), mmHg (millimetres of mercury)
[Date]	Date input	Enter in sequence: Day, month, year. Apply the settings by pressing <i>[Save]</i> .
[Time]	Time input	Enter in sequence: Minutes, hours. Apply the settings by pressing <i>[Save]</i> .
[Pressure sensor]	Selection	Shows the available pressure sensors.
[Vacuum pump oil exchange]	Enter value	Enter the oil change interval recom- mended by the manufacturer.
[Key sound]	Off/On	Setting for audible signal in response to input controls.
[Network]	Enter value	The following parameters can be edited: Device name/MAC address/DHCP/ System IP address/Subnet mask/ Gateway/DNS server/BUCHI Cloud/ Server IP address
[Delete app con- nection]	Confirmation question	Resets external connections to the in- strument.

Submenu End point determination

Action	Option	Explanation
[Pressure differ-	View	 Actual and specified settings
ence test]		Result
[Temperature dif-	View	Actual and specified settings
ference test]		Result

Submenu Maintenance

The submenu [Maintenance] contains tests for maintaining the instrument.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Vacuum test]	Perform vacuum test	See Chapter 9.2 "Performing a vac- uum test", page 77
[Leak test]	Perform leak test	See Chapter 9.3.1 "Performing a leak test with a drying chamber", page 77

Submenu Service

NOTE

While freeze-drying is in progress, no settings can be changed on the Service submenu.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Refrigerant cir- cuit]	View	The following information on the re- frigerant circuit is available:
		 Operating hours
		Compressor
		Ice condenser inlet temperature
		Ice condenser outlet temperature
		 High-pressure safety cut-out
		 Low-pressure safety cut-out
[Vacuum system]	View	The following information on the vac- uum pump is available:
		 Pump hours of duty
		 Pump oil hours of duty
		Pressure in the ice condenser
		Main valve
		 Vacuum pump
		 Venting valve
		 Regulating valve
		 Vacuum regulation 1
		 Vacuum regulation 2
[Defrosting sys- tem]	Display/entry of figures	The following information on the de- frosting system is available:
		Hours of duty
		Drain valve open/closed
[Drying shelves]	View	Switches heating for the individual shelves on and off (where available).

Submenu System Information

The submenu *[System information]* contains details of the connected devices and information on network connection diagnosis.

Action	Option	Explanation
[Control panel]	View	The following information on the con- trol panel is available:
		 Serial number
		 Firmware version
		 Operating hours
		Status
		Board Temperature
		 24V power supply
		 5V power supply

Action	Option	Explanation
[L-200]	View	The following information on the L-200 is available:
		Serial number
		Firmware version
		Hours of duty
		Status
		PCB Temperature
		 48 V power supply
		• 24 V power supply
		• 5 V power supply
		• 3.3 V power supply
[Network diagnos- tics]	View/Enter settings	The following network diagnosis infor- mation is available:
2		MAC address
		Network interruptions
		Event list

7.4.5 Messages menu

The *[Messages]* menu shows the current instrument messages and the instrument's message history.

The following message types are possible:

- I = Information: No immediate actions by customer are needed.
- W = Warning: Minor failures during operation. Customer action is required.
- E = Error: Major failures during operation due to defective system component. Usually service support is needed.

Submenu Notifications

The submenu *[Notifications]* shows a list of unacknowledged and unresolved notifications together with date and time in each case.

Submenu Logbook

The submenu *[Logbook]* shows the instrument's message history. Logbook:

- List of the last 100 messages.
- Every occurrence is shown with date and time.

The following status types are possible:

Symbol	Description	Meaning
x	Acknowledged	The message has been be processed and acknowledged.
<	Sent	The message initiator is no longer present.
>	Received	The display shows a message.

7.5 Status bar

The status bar shows the status of the instrument. The following statuses are possible:

Unload / Load Conditioning is completed. Before the freeze-drying process: Load the top-mount drying rack with a frozen sample. After the freeze-drying process: Remove the dried sample from the top-mount drying rack. Aerating The system is venting. Shutting down The instrument is shutting down. • The aeration valve and the drain valve are closed. • The status bar shows the remaining time. Defrosting The instrument is defrosting. • The status bar shows the remaining time. • The aeration valve and the drain valve are open. • The status bar shows the remaining time. • Manual defrosting. • Standby Shutting down is completed. Conditioning The instrument is starting up including starting refrigerant compressors and vacuum pump. Reconditioning The instrument is restarting after a temporary power failure (< 15 min).
AeratingThe system is venting.Shutting downThe instrument is shutting down.• The aeration valve and the drain valve are closed.• The aeration valve and the drain valve are closed.DefrostingThe instrument is defrosting.• The status bar shows the remaining time.• The aeration valve and the drain valve are open.• The status bar shows the remaining time.• The aeration valve and the drain valve are open.• The status bar shows the remaining time.• Manual defrosting with water possible.StandbyShutting down is completed.ConditioningThe instrument is starting up including starting refrigerant compressors and vac- uum pump.ReconditioningThe instrument is restarting after a tempo- rary power failure (< 15 min).
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rary power failure (< 15 min).
Warming up pumpThe vacuum pump is being brought up to operating temperature.
Vacuum Test The instrument is performing a vacuum test.
Leak TestThe instrument is performing a leak test.
Manual DryingThe instrument is in the course of a man- ual freeze-drying process.
RecoveringThe system is in the process of recover- ing from a power failure (> 15 min).The current parameters of the freeze-dry- ing process are being re-established.
Hold The instrument is in the holding phase.
Primary drying The instrument is in the primary drying
phase.
Secondary drying The instrument is in the secondary drying phase.
Secondary drying The instrument is in the secondary drying

Symbols on the status bar

Symbol	Status
₩	The instrument is defrosting.
	The instrument is in energy-saving mode.
	The instrument is in the course of a freeze-drying process using a method.
***	The instrument is starting up.
₩	The instrument is in the course of a manual freeze-drying process.
	The instrument is connected to the BUCHI Cloud.
₽ €∕	Sample protection is active. Reason: the pressure is outside the pressure lim- its.
T e	Sample protection is active. Reason: the temperature is outside the safe tem- perature range.
PT €∕	Sample protection is active. Reason: the pressure is outside the pressure lim- its. the temperature is outside the safe temperature range.
LŢ	Before the freeze-drying process: Load the top-mount drying rack with a frozen sam- ple.
	After the freeze-drying process: Remove the dried sample from the top-mount dry- ing rack.
Т	The instrument is performing a vacuum test or a leak test.
V	The system evacuates to the set pressure.
SD	The memory card has been inserted.

7.6 Editing a method

The Pro control panel can save up to 35 methods. The methods enable the freezedrying process to be automated.

7.6.1 Creating a new method

There are two possible ways of creating a new method:

Creating a new method

Navigation path

- → Method
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Method]* menu via the navigation path.

- ► Tap the function *[New]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The new method is created.

Creating a new method by copying an existing method

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the name of the method that you wish to copy.
- ► Tap the function *[Copy]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The new method is created.

7.6.2 Changing the name of a method

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ► Tap the action [Information].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action Information.
- ► Tap the setting [Name].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a blank box with an alphanumeric input box.
- ▶ Enter a name for the method.
- ▶ Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The new name is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.

7.6.3 Setting the sample collapse temperature

Navigation path

→ Method

- Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ▶ Tap the action [General].
- ⇒ The control panel shows the action [General].
- ► Tap the setting [Sample collapse temperature].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a dialog box with a numeric input box.
- Enter the value in the numeric input box.
- Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.

7.6.4 Setting the gas type

Navigation path

Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ▶ Tap the action [General].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action *[General]*.
- ► Tap the setting [Gas type].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a dialog box with an alphanumeric input box.
- Enter the gas type.
- ► Tap the function *[Save]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.

7.6.5 Setting the shelf loading temperature

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the *[Method]* menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ▶ Tap the action [General].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action [General].
- ▶ Tap the action [Shelf load temp.]
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a dialog box with a numeric input box.
- ► Enter the value in the numeric input box.
- ► Tap the function *[Save]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.

7.6.6 Setting the steps of a method

The Pro control panel can save up to 30 steps for each method.



NOTE

The maximum heating rate is 3 °C/min.

NOTE

The settings for the action Steps affect a single step in each case.

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- Tap the action [Steps].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action Steps.

The following settings are available for each step:

Setting	Option	Meaning
[Step phase]	Primary drying/Sec- ondary drying	Sets the type of step phase.
[Term]	Enter value	Sets the duration of the step in minutes.
[Shelf temperature]	Enter value	Set the temperature of the heat- able shelves in one step.
[Pressure zone]	Regulated/Minimum	Regulated: the settings for pres- sure and pressure limits are ap- plied.
		Minimum: The maximum vacuum is applied to reach the lowest possible pressure.
[Pressure]	Enter value	Sets a target value for the regu- lated pressure.
[Pressure limit]	Enter value	Absolute value for divergence from the set pressure before the sample protection function is acti- vated.
[Pressure duration]	Enter value	Sets the period of time that the pressure is allowed to exceed the pressure limit before the sample protection function is activated.

Editing a step

- ► Use the function [*Right*] or [*Left*] on the function bar to navigate to the step that you wish to edit.
- ▶ Using the navigation control, navigate to the setting that you wish to change.
- ► Tap the function *[Edit]* on the function bar.
- ► Edit the setting as required.
- ▶ Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is changed.

Add step

- ► Use the function [*Right*] or [*Left*] on the function bar to navigate to the position at which you wish to add a step.
- ▶ Tap the function *[New]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The new step is created.

Delete step

- ► Use the function [*Right*] or [*Left*] on the function bar to navigate to the step that you wish to delete.
- ► Tap the function [Delete] on the function bar.
- ▶ When asked to confirm, press [OK].
- \Rightarrow The step is deleted.

7.6.7 Setting the phases of a method



NOTE

The settings in the Phase view affect all steps of a phase.

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the *[Method]* menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ► Tap the action [Phase].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the Phase view.

The following phases of a method are available:

Phase	Setting	Option	Meaning
[Primary	[Pressure ac-	None/Sample	None: no action is carried out.
drying]	tion]	protection/Mes- sage	Sample protection: if the pressure is too high, heating of the shelves is paused.
			Message: if the pressure is too high, the control panel displays a message.
	[Temp. action]	None/Sample protection/Mes- sage	None: no action is carried out.
			Sample protection: if the temperature is too high, heating of the shelves is paused.
			Message: if the temperature is too high, the control panel displays a message.
	[Safety tem- perature]	Enter value	Maximum divergence from the set collapse temperature before the sam- ple protection function is activated.
	[Safety temp. Time]	Enter value	Time as of which sample protection is inactive. The value relates to the time before completion of primary drying.
	[End point def- inition]	More settings	See Chapter 7.8 "Setting end point definitions", page 54
[Sec-	[Pressure ac-	None/Sample	None: no action is carried out.
ondary drying]	tion]	protection/Mes- sage	Sample protection: if the pressure is too high, heating of the shelves is paused.
			Message: if the pressure is too high, the control panel displays a message.
	[Temp. action]		None: no action is carried out.
		protection/Mes- sage	Sample protection: if the temperature is too high, heating of the shelves is paused.
			Message: if the temperature is too high, the control panel displays a message.
	[Safety tem- perature]	Enter value	Maximum divergence from the set shelf temperature before the sample protection function is activated.
	[End point def- inition]	More settings	See Chapter 7.8 "Setting end point definitions", page 54

Phase	Setting	Option	Meaning
[Stopper- ing]	[Pressure zone]	Regulated/Mini- mum	Regulated: the settings for pressure and pressure limits are applied.
			Minimum: The maximum vacuum is applied to reach the lowest possible pressure.
	[Pressure]	Enter value	Sets a target value for the regulated pressure.
	[&Mode]	None/Manual	None: no action is carried out.
			Manual: sealing is performed manu- ally.
[hold]	[Pressure zone]	Regulated/Mini- mum	Regulated: the settings for pressure are applied.
			Minimum: The maximum vacuum is applied to reach the lowest possible pressure.
	[Pressure]	Enter value	Sets a target value for the regulated pressure.
	[Shelf temper- ature]	Enter value	Specifies a temperature for the shelves.

Editing the settings for a phase

- ▶ Tap the phase that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected phase in green.
- ► Tap the setting that you wish to edit.
- Edit the setting as required.
- ▶ Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is changed.

7.7 Deleting a method

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ► Tap the function *[Delete]* on the function bar.
- ▶ Select [Confirm] to confirm the action in response to the confirmation question.
- \Rightarrow The method is deleted.

7.8 Setting end point definitions

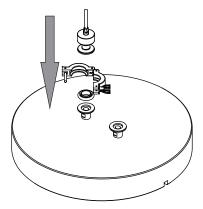
The end of a phase can be automatically set for each preparation by defining an end point.

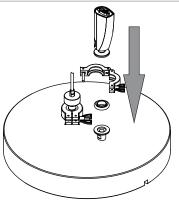
The end point can be defined by means of the temperature difference test or the pressure difference test.

7.8.1 Connect the sensors for pressure difference test (optional feature)

- ► Fit the pressure sensor, seal to the connection and fix with the clamp.
- Plug the pressure sensor electrical connector into the socket marked Internal Vacuum Sensor.

- ► Fit the pressure sensor, seal to the connection and fix with the clamp.
- Plug the pressure sensor electrical connector into the socket marked External Vacuum Sensor.
- ▶ On the control panel, select the sensor Inficon Porter CDG020 D on the *[Settings]* submenu.





7.8.2 Pressure difference test (optional feature)

NOTE

The pressure difference test can only be carried out with a pressure difference test kit. See Chapter 12.1.1 "Accessories", page 86

The pressure difference test establishes the difference between the readings from two pressure sensors in the drying chamber. If the difference between the two sensor readings is below a threshold, the freeze-drying phase can be ended.

Navigation path

→ Method

Precondition:

- ☑ A vacuum test has been carried out with a pressure equal to the pressure during the subsequent freeze-drying process. See Chapter 9.2 "Performing a vacuum test", page 77
- ☑ The sensors for the pressure difference test have been fitted. See Chapter 7.8.1 "Connect the sensors for pressure difference test (optional feature)", page 55
- ☑ The offset value has been determined. See Chapter 7.8.4 "Determining offset value", page 57
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Method]* menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ▶ Tap the action [Phase].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action Phase.

- ► Tap the setting [End point definition].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the setting End point definition.
- ► Tap [Pressure difference test].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the pressure difference test.
- The following settings are available:

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Setting	Option	Explanation
[Pressure dif- ference test]	Yes/No	Switches the pressure difference test on or off.
[Start time]	Enter value	Sets the time from which the pressure difference test is to be performed. The value relates to the time before completion of the primary drying phase.
[Pressure dif- ference limit]	Enter value	Specifies the difference between the two sensor readings below which the end point is reached.
		The threshold must be greater than the offset value from the vacuum test. See Chapter 7.8.4 "Determining offset value", page 57
[Term]	Enter value	Specifies the length of time for which the pressure difference test is to be carried out.
[Continue]	Yes/No	Yes : the method switches to the next phase.
		No: the phase is ended when the set levels are reached.
[Message]	Yes/No	The control panel shows or does not show a message as soon as the pressure difference test is passed.

7.8.3 Temperature difference test

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NOTE

The temperature test is successfully completed if all drying shelves are below the threshold.

The samples on a drying shelf have different drying times. Take account of the different drying times in the *[Duration]* setting.

The temperature difference test establishes the difference between the readings from the temperature sensor for the heatable shelf and the temperature sensor in the sample. If the difference between the two sensor readings is below a threshold, the freeze-drying phase can be ended.

Navigation path

→ Method

Precondition:

☑ The heatable shelves are fitted in the rack. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63

- ☑ The optional temperature sensor has been installed. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63
- ▶ Place the optional temperature sensor in the sample.
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Method]* menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the name of the method that you wish to edit.
- \Rightarrow The control panel highlights the selected method in green.
- ► Tap the action [Phase].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the action Phase.
- ► Tap the setting [End point definition].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the setting End point definition.
- ► Tap [Temperature difference test].
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the temperature difference test.

The following settings are available:

Setting	Option	Explanation
[Temperature difference test]	Yes/No	Switches the temperature differ- ence test on or off.
[Start time]	Enter value	Sets the time from which the tem- perature difference test is to be performed. The value relates to the time before completion of the primary drying phase.
[Temperature difference limit]	Enter value	Specifies the difference between the two sensor readings below which the end point is reached.
[Term]	Enter value	The period of time during which the difference is not to be ex- ceeded. If the threshold is not ex- ceeded for the full period of time, the temperature difference test is passed.
[Continue]	Yes/No	Yes : the method switches to the next phase.
		No: the phase is ended when the set levels are reached.
[Message]	Yes/No	The control panel shows or does not show a message as soon as the temperature difference test is passed.

7.8.4 Determining offset value

Navigation path

- \rightarrow Configuration \rightarrow End point determination \rightarrow Pressure difference test
- ▶ Navigate to the Pressure Difference Test view via the navigation path.
- \Rightarrow The control unit shows the offset figure.

7.9 Performing freeze-drying using a method [Pro control panel]

7.9.1 Preparing the instrument

Time approx. re- 30min quired:



NOTE

To minimize the condensation of moisture from the air in the condenser, place a drying rack.

Navigation path

→ Start

- ▶ Navigate to the *[Start]* menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function [Start conditioning] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The temperature in the ice condenser decreases to operating temperature.
- \Rightarrow The vacuum pump is brought up to operating temperature.
- After completion of the conditioning phase, the status bar shows the status Unload / Load.

7.9.2 Selecting a method

Navigation path

→ Method

- ▶ Navigate to the [Method] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the function *[Method]* on the function bar.
- ► Tap the method that you wish to use.
- ▶ Tap the function [Activate] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the method activated.

7.9.3 Starting freeze-drying



Risk of skin burns from touching parts of the ice condenser after completion of conditioning.

Wear protective gloves when working on the instrument after the conditioning phase.



NOTE

The freeze-drying process can be cancelled by tapping the functions *[Manual]* and *[Aerate]* on the *[Start]* menu.

Navigation path

→ Start

If a gas is being used

Precondition:

- \square The instrument has been prepared.
- \boxdot A method is selected.
- Fit a top-mount drying rack. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63.
- ► Load the top-mount drying rack with frozen samples.
- ► Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- Make sure that the specified gas is being used.
- Answer **YES** to the confirmation question.
- \Rightarrow The freeze-drying process starts.
- ⇒ The control panel shows the *Start* menu with a black background.
- \Rightarrow The system carries out the selected method.

If a gas is not being used

Precondition:

- \boxdot The instrument has been prepared.
- \square A method is selected.
- Fit a top-mount drying rack. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63.
- ► Load the top-mount drying rack with frozen samples.
- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The freeze-drying process starts.
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows the *Start* menu with a black background.
- \Rightarrow The system carries out the selected method.

7.9.4 Changing parameters while the process is running

NOTE

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Coming step can be deleted.

- ► Select the step you wish to delete.
- ► Tap the *[Delete]* button on the function bar.

7.9.5 Ending freeze-drying

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \square The status bar is showing the status **Hold**.

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Tap the function [Aerate] on the function bar.
- Answer **YES** to the confirmation question.
- \Rightarrow The system is vented.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Aerating**.
- ▶ Wait until the status bar shows the status **Unload** / **Load**.
- ▶ Remove the dried preparation from the top-mount drying rack.

7.9.6 Shutting down the instrument

Time	40min
re-	

quired:

NOTICE



Do not use force to remove the ice from the ice condenser.

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \square The freeze-drying process has ended.

- Position the condensate drain hose so that the condensate can be drained off. See Chapter 5.3.9 "Preparing the condensate drain hose", page 26
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Start]* menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function [Shut down] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The instrument is shutting down.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the remaining time and the status **Defrosting**.
- \Rightarrow After the instrument has shut down, the status bar shows the remaining time and the status Shutting down.
- Put hot water on ice condenser coil for defrosting.
- Wait until ice is completely removed.

7.9.7 Switching off the instrument

Precondition:

☑ The instrument has been shut down. See Shutting down the instrument

Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.

7.10 Performing freeze-drying manually [Pro control panel]

7.10.1 Preparing the instrument

Time approx. re-30min quired:

NOTE

To minimize the condensation of moisture from the air in the condenser, place a drying rack.

Navigation path

→ Start

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- Tap the function [Start conditioning] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The temperature in the ice condenser decreases to operating temperature.
- \Rightarrow The vacuum pump is brought up to operating temperature.
- ⇒ After completion of the conditioning phase, the status bar shows the status Unload / Load.

7.10.2 Editing parameters while the process is running

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The process has been started.

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ▶ Using the navigation control, navigate to the parameter that you wish to change.
- ► Tap the function *[Edit]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The control panel shows a dialog box with a numeric input box.
- ⇒ The control panel highlights the selected parameter in white.
- Enter the value in the numeric input box.
- ▶ Tap the function [Save] on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The setting is saved.
- \Rightarrow The dialog box closes.

7.10.3 Ending freeze-drying

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

☑ The sample is dry.

- ▶ Navigate to the [Start] menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function [Aerate] on the function bar.
- Answer **YES** to the confirmation question.
- \Rightarrow The system is vented.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Aerating**.
- As soon as the status bar shows the status Unload / Load, remove the dried sample from the drying rack.

7.10.4 Shutting down the instrument

Time 40min re-

quired:



NOTICE

Do not use force to remove the ice from the ice condenser.

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The freeze-drying process has ended.

- Position the condensate drain hose so that the condensate can be drained off. See Chapter 5.3.9 "Preparing the condensate drain hose", page 26
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Start]* menu via the navigation path.

- ▶ Tap the function *[Shut down]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The instrument is shutting down.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the remaining time and the status **Defrosting**.
- After the instrument has shut down, the status bar shows the remaining time and the status **Shutting down**.
- ▶ Put hot water on ice condenser coil for defrosting.
- ► Wait until ice is completely removed.

7.10.5 Switching off the instrument

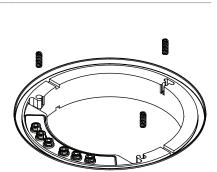
Precondition:

- $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$ The instrument has been shut down. See Shutting down the instrument
- Switch the On/Off master switch to Off.

8 Operating top-mount drying racks

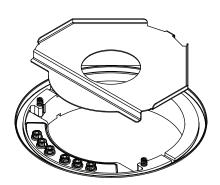
8.1 Operating stoppering acrylic drying chamber

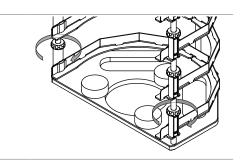
- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- ► Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.
- Locate the springs in the holes on the ice condenser.

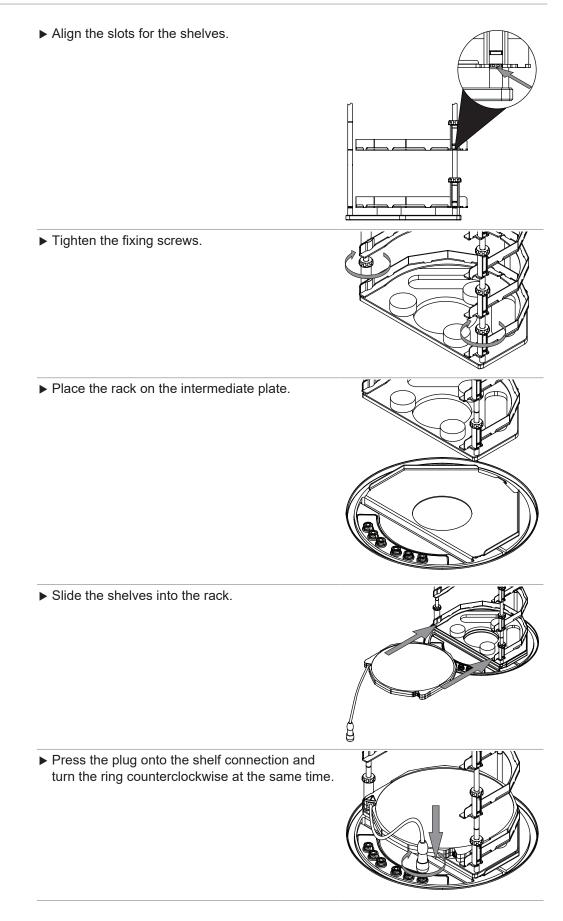


Place the intermediate plate on the ice condenser.

► Loosen all fixing screws.







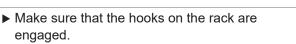
Locate the cylinder in the groove above the main plate.



► Check the O-ring for damage.

Screw the hand wheel upwards until the plate inside the lid has pressed the hooks all the way in.

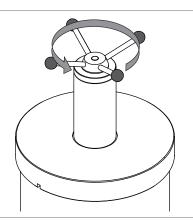
- ▶ Place the O-ring into the groove of the cover.
- ▶ Place the cover on the cylinder.





Precondition:

- \square The status bar shows the status **Stoppering**.
- ► Turn the hand wheel, until all samples are sealed.
- Confirm the verification question on the control panel.

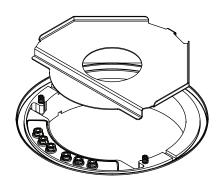


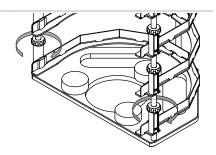
8.2 Operating manifold acrylic drying chamber (heatable shelves)

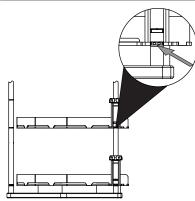
- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.



Place the intermediate plate on the ice condenser.

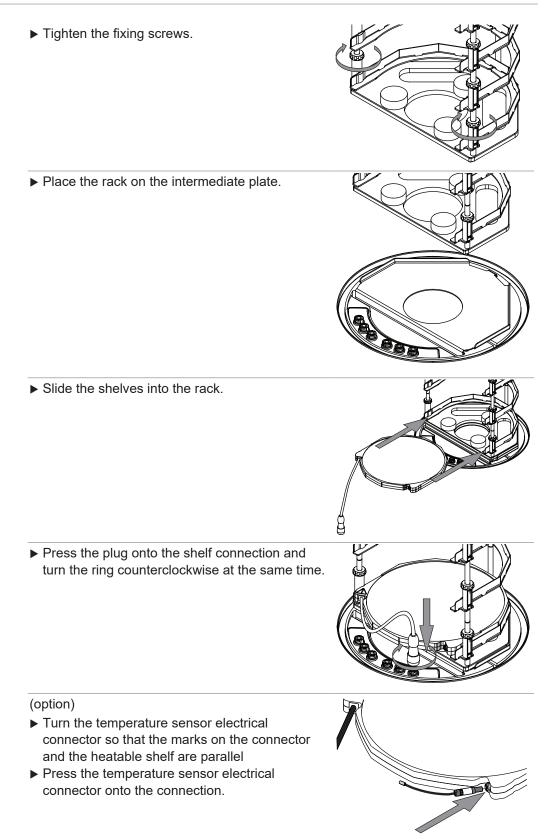




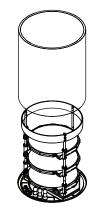


► Align the slots for the shelves.

► Loosen all fixing screws.

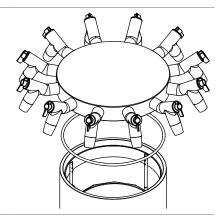


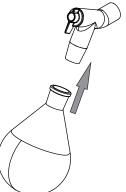
 Locate the cylinder in the groove above the main plate.



Fit manifold valve onto the connection on the top-mount drying rack.

- ► Check the O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the O-ring into the groove of the cover.
- ▶ Place the manifold cover on the cylinder.





► Carry out freeze-drying.

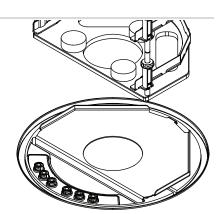
8.3 Operating manifold acrylic drying chamber (nonheatable shelf)

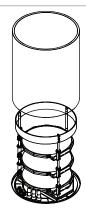
- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.
- Place the intermediate plate on the ice condenser.

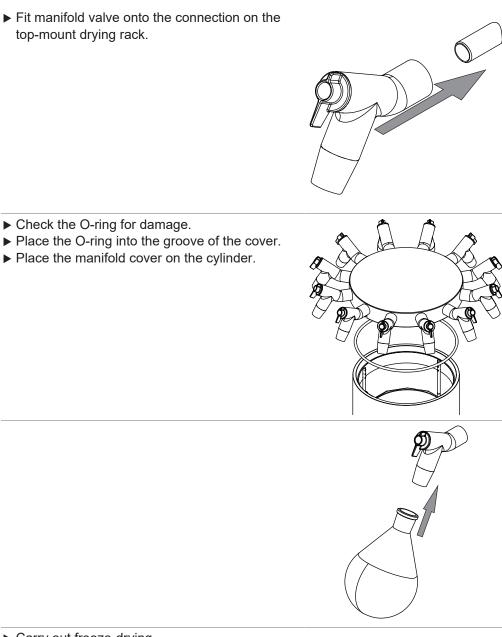
▶ Place the rack on the intermediate plate.

 Locate the cylinder in the groove above the main plate.









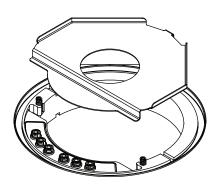
► Carry out freeze-drying.

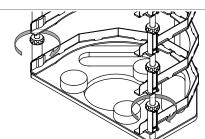
8.4 Operating acrylic drying chamber (heatable shelf)

- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- ▶ Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.



Place the intermediate plate on the ice condenser.

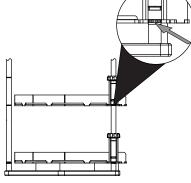


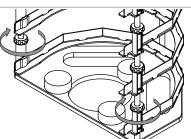


► Align the slots for the shelves.

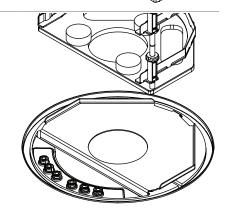
► Tighten the fixing screws.

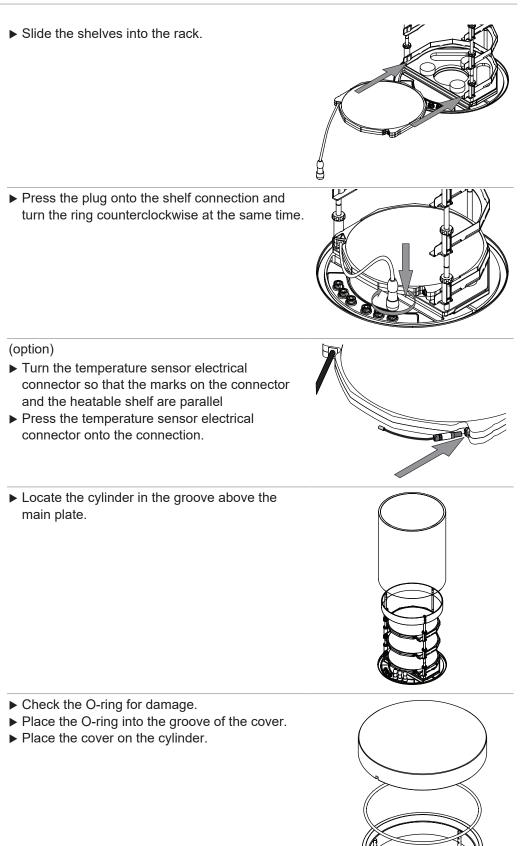
► Loosen all fixing screws.





▶ Place the rack on the intermediate plate.





► Carry out freeze-drying.

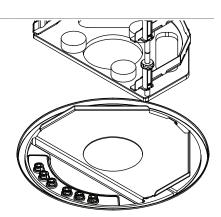
8.5 Operating acrylic drying chamber (on-heatable shelf)

- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- ► Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.
- Place the intermediate plate on the ice condenser.

▶ Place the rack on the intermediate plate.

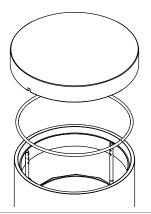
Locate the cylinder in the groove above the main plate.







- ► Check the O-ring for damage.
- ▶ Place the O-ring into the groove of the cover.
- ▶ Place the cover on the cylinder.



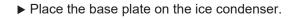
► Carry out freeze-drying.

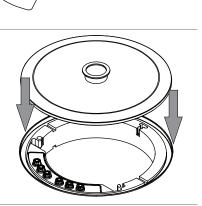
8.6 Operating manifold drying rack

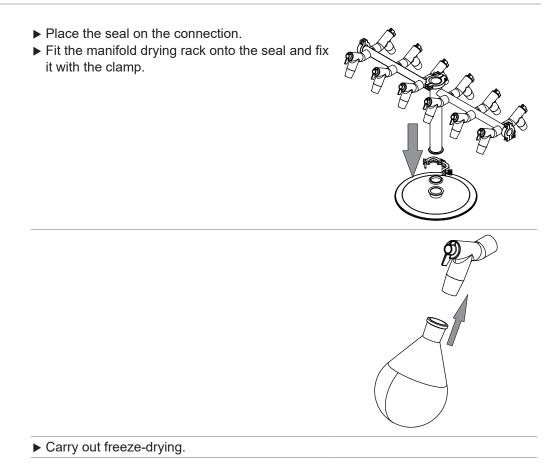
- Make sure that the groove above the ice condenser is clean, free of dust and not scratched.
- ► Check the 300 mm dia. O-ring for damage.
- Place the 300 mm dia. O-ring in the groove above the ice condenser.



Fit manifold valve onto the connection on the top-mount drying rack.

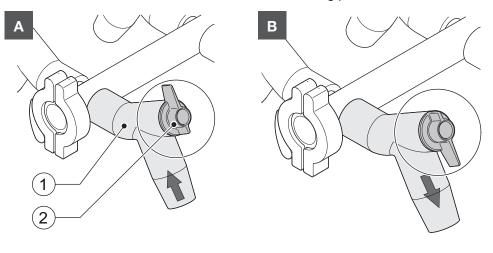






8.7 Operating manifold valves

The lever on a manifold valve can be set to the following positions:



Position	Function	
A: Lever pointing up	The connected vessel is evacuated.	
B: Lever pointing down	The connected vessel is vented.	

9 Cleaning and servicing



NOTE

- ► Carry out only the service and cleaning operations described in this section.
- Do not carry out any servicing and cleaning operations that involve opening the housing.
- Use only genuine BUCHI spare parts in order to ensure correct operation and preserve the warranty.
- Carry out the service and cleaning operations described in this section to extend the lifetime of the instrument.

9.1 Regular maintenance work

Component	Action	Interval
Vacuum Pump	 Carry out maintenance according to the manufacturer's instructions. See relevant documentation. 	See manufacturer's instructions
Top-mount drying racks	 Wipe down the top-mount drying racks with a damp cloth. If heavily soiled, use a mild detergent. 	Daily
O-ring, dia. 300 mm	 Wipe down the 300 mm O-rings with a damp cloth. Check for scratches and other damage. Replace the 300 mm O-ring if it is damaged. 	Daily
	▶ Replace the 300 mm O-ring.	Annually
Seals, ISO-KF 16 Seals, ISO-KF 25	 Wipe down the seals with a damp cloth. Check for scratches and other damage. Replace seals if they are damaged. 	Annually
Vacuum tubing	 Wipe down the vacuum tube with a damp cloth. Check for scratches and other damage. Replace the vacuum tube if it is damaged. 	Annually
Ice condenser	 Rinse out with water. If heavily soiled, use ethanol or a mild detergent. 	Daily
Drain valve strainer	► Clean the strainer.	Daily
Casing	 Wipe down the casing with a damp cloth. If heavily soiled, use ethanol or a mild detergent. 	Weekly
Warning symbols	 Check that the warning symbols on the instrument are legible. If they are dirty, clean them. 	Weekly
Draining valve	 Remove the strainer. Fill ice condenser with water. Open the drain valve manually. Loosen deposits from drain valve using compressed air. 	Weekly
Heat exchanger	Remove dust and foreign objects from the ventilation slots using compressed air or a vacuum cleaner.	Monthly

Component	Action	Interval
View	 Wipe down the display with a damp cloth. 	Monthly

9.2 Performing a vacuum test

The vacuum test checks the performance capacity of the vacuum system.

Time max. 10 min required:

Navigation path

→ Configuration → Servicing → Vacuum test

Precondition:

- \boxdot Conditioning of the instrument has been completed.
- \square A top-mount drying rack is fitted.
- \boxdot The top-mount drying rack does not contain sample.
- ▶ Navigate to the action [Vacuum Test] via the navigation path.
- ▶ Specify a required setting for the vacuum to be achieved.
- Specify a required time within which the vacuum is to be reached.
- ► Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- \Rightarrow The vacuum test starts.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Vacuum Test**.
- ➡ If the vacuum pressure is not below 500 mbar after 30 s, the vacuum test automatically aborts.
- After completion of the vacuum test, the [Vacuum test] line shows whether the vacuum test has been passed or not.

Troubleshooting after failed vacuum test

Possible cause	Action
Top-mount drying rack not correctly fitted	Fit the top-mount drying rack correctly.
Top-mount drying rack is damaged	Check function of PMMA parts, replace manifold valves, clean drain valve.
O-rings dirty	Wipe down the O-rings with a damp cloth.
O-rings damaged	Check O-rings and replace if necessary.
Groove of O-rings dirty	Wipe groove of O-rings with a damp cloth.
KF clamps not closed	Close the KF clamps.
KF seals dirty	Wipe down the KF seals with a damp cloth.
KF seals damaged	Inspect KF seals and replace as neces- sary.
The pump connected is not delivering suf- ficient performance	Carry out vacuum test with a different vacuum pump.

9.3 Performing a leak test

9.3.1 Performing a leak test with a drying chamber

The leak test checks the vacuum system for possible leaks.

Time 45 min required:



The leak test can be aborted by tapping [Stop] on the function bar.

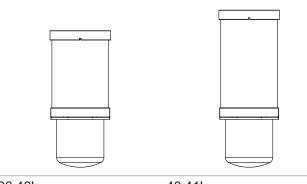
Precondition:

NOTE

☑ Conditioning of the instrument has been completed.

- \square A top-mount drying rack is fitted.
- ☑ The top-mount drying rack does not contain sample.
- ▶ Navigate to the action [Leak test] via the navigation path.
- ▶ On the *[Ice Condenser]* line, enter a required setting for the vacuum.
- ▶ On the [Shelf temperature] line enter the required shelf temperature.
- ▶ On the *[Test scope]* line select the component to be tested.
- ▶ On the [Drying shelf heating] line switch the drying shelf heating on or off.
- ▶ On the [Volume] line enter the actual volume of the components to be tested.

The volume of the system is calculated from the volume of the ice condenser and the top-mount drying rack.



36.46L43.41LAcrylic drying chamberAcrylic drying chamber(with 4 drying shelves)(with 6 drying shelves)

- ► Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- ⇒ The leak test starts.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Leak Test**.
- ⇒ After completion of the leak test, the [Leak test] line shows whether the leak test has been passed or not.
- ⇒ The leak test is passed if the measured leakage rate is less than the pre-set rate of 10.10 mbar*L/h.

Troubleshooting after failed leak test

Possible cause	Action
Top-mount drying rack not correctly fitted	Fit the top-mount drying rack correctly.
O-rings dirty	Wipe down the O-ring with a damp cloth.
O-rings damaged	Check O-rings and replace if necessary.
Groove of O-rings dirty	Wipe groove of O-rings with a damp cloth.
KF clamps not closed	Close the KF clamps.
KF seals dirty	Wipe down the KF seals with a damp cloth.

Possible cause	Action
KF seals damaged	Inspect KF seals and replace as neces- sary.
Pump oil dirty	Service according to manufacturer's in- structions.
Leaking manifold valves (manifold acrylic drying chamber only)	Replace leaking manifold valve. Locate leaking manifold valve. See Chap- ter 10.3 "Locating leaking manifold valve", page 82

9.3.2 Performing leak test with a manifold drying rack

The leak test checks the vacuum system for possible leaks.

Time 45 min required:



NOTE

The leak test can be aborted by tapping [Stop] on the function bar.

Precondition:

- \boxdot Conditioning of the instrument has been completed.
- Fit the base plate with a KF 40 blind flange, an ISO-KF 40 seal and an ISO-KF 40 clamp.
- ▶ Navigate to the action *[Leak test]* via the navigation path.
- ▶ On the [Ice Condenser] line, enter a required setting for the vacuum.
- ► On the [Shelf temperature] line enter the required shelf temperature.
- ▶ On the *[Test scope]* line select the component to be tested.
- ► On the [Drying shelf heating] line switch the drying shelf heating on or off.
- ▶ On the [Volume] line enter the actual volume of the components to be tested.

The volume of the system is calculated from the volume of the ice condenser and the top-mount drying rack.



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- ▶ Tap the function *[Start]* on the function bar.
- ⇒ The leak test starts.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows the status **Leak Test**.
- ⇒ When the leak test is completed, the *[Leak test]* tab indicates whether the leak test was successful.

⇒ The leak test is passed if the measured leakage rate is less than the pre-set rate of 10.10 mbar*L/h.



NOTE

To test the leak-tightness of the manifold drying rack, carry out another leak test with the manifold drying rack installed.

Troubleshooting after failed leak test

Possible cause	Action
Top-mount drying rack not correctly fitted	Fit the top-mount drying rack correctly.
O-rings dirty	Wipe down the O-ring with a damp cloth.
O-rings damaged	Check O-rings and replace if necessary.
Groove of O-rings dirty	Wipe groove of O-rings with a damp cloth.
KF clamps not closed	Close the KF clamps.
KF seals dirty	Wipe down the KF seals with a damp cloth.
KF seals damaged	Inspect KF seals and replace as neces- sary.
Pump oil dirty	Service according to manufacturer's in- structions.
Leaking manifold valves	Replace leaking manifold valve.
(only if manifold drying rack installed)	Locate leaking manifold valve. See Chap- ter 10.3 "Locating leaking manifold valve", page 82

10 Help with faults

10.1 Troubleshooting

Possible cause	Action
No power supply to compres- sor	Check the power supply and switch on the device.
Compressor overheated	 Allow the compressor to cool down. Check ambient conditions.
Circuit-breaker has tripped	► Reset circuit of L-200.
Wrong ambient conditions	Adjust ambient conditions. See Installation site
Too much ice in the ice con- denser	Defrost the ice condenser.
	No power supply to compres- sor Compressor overheated Circuit-breaker has tripped Wrong ambient conditions Too much ice in the ice con-

10.2 Faults, possible causes and remedies

Malfunction	Possible cause	Remedy
Instrument does not work	Instrument is not connected to the power supply.	 Make sure that the power supply is connected and switched on.
Main valve or vac- uum pump switches over frequently	Vacuum system is leaking.	 If necessary, replace tubing and/or seals.
Main valve does not switch over	Main valve fitted wrong way round.	 Fit main valve correct way round (arrow pointing towards vacuum pump).
	Main valve lead not plugged in.	Make sure that the electrical lead of the main valve is plugged into the correct socket on the rear of the instrument.
Vacuum is not achieved	Vacuum system is leaking.	 Clean the drain valve. Check manifold valve. See Chapter 10.3 "Locating leaking manifold valve", page 82 Check regulating valve and aeration valve. See Chapter 10.4 "Finding a leaking regulating valve or aeration valve", page 82 If necessary, replace tubing and/or seals.
	Vacuum pump is too weak.	 Use a vacuum pump with a capacity of at least 5m³/h. Carry out maintenance work according to the vacuum pump manufacturer's documentation.

Malfunction	Possible cause	Remedy
Instrument is not vented	Main valve is incorrectly con- nected.	 Connect the main valve properly (see Chapter 5.3.3 "Fitting the advanced vacuum control unit", page 22).

10.3 Locating leaking manifold valve

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The system does not evacuate to less than 0.1 mbar.

- ▶ Navigate to the *Start* view via the navigation path.
- Set the vacuum to 0.5 mbar.
- ▶ Tap the function [Start] on the function bar.
- ► Turn each manifold valve individually while checking the display to see if the actual pressure changes.
- If the vacuum decreases in the case of one of the manifold valves, then that valve is the one that is leaking.
- ► Tap the function [Aerate] on the function bar.
- ▶ Replace the manifold valve concerned.

10.4 Finding a leaking regulating valve or aeration valve

Navigation path

→ Start

Precondition:

 \boxdot The instrument has been prepared.

- ► Remove regulating or aeration valve.
- ► Seal the opening with KF16 cover.
- Fit a top-mount drying rack. See Chapter 8 "Operating top-mount drying racks", page 63.
- ▶ Navigate to the *[Start]* menu via the navigation path.
- ► Tap the function *[Manual]* on the function bar.
- Enter the specified settings for the vacuum.
- ► Tap the function [Start] on the function bar.
- ⇒ The background color of the *Start* menu changes from white to black.
- \Rightarrow The status bar shows a clock counting up and the status **Manual Drying**.
- \Rightarrow The system evacuates to the set pressure.
- \Rightarrow If the specified setting is not reached, the value is leaking.
- ► Carry out the instructions for action on the other valve.

Error message	Possible cause	Solution
5014	A power failure for 60 min.	 Confirm to recover the instrument and continue the process with risk of sample melting.
		Stop the process in standby, release pressure manually by activating the aeration valve i service menu.
5042	Recovery of current drying process.	 Recovery of the latest process parameters (p, T) will be started automatically. Check samples after recovery Consider to use an UPS to keep power fail time short.
5040	Only Pro instrument Primary drying: the actual sample temperature exceeded the collapse temperature and safety temperature.	 Choose lower shelf set temperature.
	Secondary drying: the actual sample temperature is to close to the set shelf temper- ature	
5041	Only Pro instrument. The actual pressure in ice condenser is above defined safety pressure during a method run.	 Resolve any leakages. Choose lower shelf set temperature.
5072	Short circuit at vacuum sen- sor connection 1-2.	 Disconnect vacuum sensor 1-2. Check connectors and correct wiring assembly.
5241	Final confirmation for the aeration of the drying cham- ber.	 Confirm if aeration should be done.
5242	Vacuum pump oil operating hours exceed.	► Change vacuum pump oil.
5243	User pressed skip button during last method step in phase.	► Confirm step cancellation.
5270	The set ice condenser pres- sure cannot be reached dur- ing evacuation or vacuum regulation.	 Reduce sample loading for a smaller sublimation rate. Resolve possible leakages at sealings, manifold valves, etc Check vacuum pump capacit (open gas ballast, check for contamination or aging).

10.5 Error messages

Error message	Possible cause	Solution
5271	Actual ice condenser pres- sure is lower than the set value.	 Stop the process. Dry the ice condenser. Speed up the sample loading/ sublimation.
5272	Pressure regulation valve does not open.	 Check acoustically if vacuum regulation valve does open if a higher pressure is set. Check, if regulation and aeration valves are swap according operation manual.
5273	Actual ice condenser pres- sure is higher than the set value.	 Stop flask attachment, until pressure is at the target pressure. Check if the vacuum regulation valve is closed correctly.
5274	Vacuum level cannot be reached within given timeout time	 Resolve any leaks. Check oil condition. Check electrical connection of pump.
5275	Pressure of 500mBar cannot be reached within 30s	► Resolve any leaks.
5278	Pressure increases above level of 1.5 mBar during leak test	 Resolve any leaks. Clean and dry condenser chamber. Clean O-rings.
5279	Leak test result above al- lowed limit	 Resolve any leaks. Clean and dry condenser chamber. Clean drain valve with water. Clean O-rings.
5481	Info occurs while stoppering step after the stoppering vac- uum is established.	 Complete the manual stoppering.
5570	Heatable shelf is discon- nected.	 Connect a functioning shelf at the same connector position.
	Defective component (e.g. heating coil, cable, plug)	 Contact BUCHI Customer Service.
5571	Sample temperature sensor is disconnected.	 Connect a functioning PT-100 at the same connector position
	Defective component (e.g. heating coil, cable, plug)	 Contact BUCHI Customer Service.
5704	System must be restarted af- ter changing the network set- tings	

11 Taking out of service and disposal

11.1 Disposal

The operator is responsible for proper disposal of the Lyovapor™.



Potential environmental hazard

The device uses refrigerant R507. This refrigerant is toxic and must not be allowed to enter the soil or groundwater.

- Dispose of the appliance properly, if necessary using a professional disposal service.
- When disposing of equipment observe the local regulations and statutory requirements regarding waste disposal.

11.2 Returning the instrument

Before returning the instrument, contact the BÜCHI Labortechnik AG Service Department. https://www.buchi.com/contact

12 Appendix

12.1 Spare parts and accessories

Use only genuine BUCHI consumables and spare parts in order to ensure correct, safe and reliable operation of the system.



NOTE

Any modifications of spare parts or assemblies are only allowed with the prior written permission of BUCHI.

12.1.1 Accessories

	Order no.	Image
Main valve	11062223	
Pressure regulation valve	11064725	
Aeration valve	11064724	
Pirani / Piezo pressure sensor PPG110	11062228	
Capacitive pressure sensor Inficon CDG 020 D	11062230	
PT1000 sample temperature sensor	11064031	
Set for pressure difference test at L-200 incl. extension cable for PPG010 and CDG 020D sen- sors, PMMA top cover, seals and clamps	11067590	
Set for pressure difference test at L-200 incl. extension cable of PPG010 and CDG 020D sen- sors, stoppering top cover, seals and clamps	11070102	

12.1.2 Further accessories

Description	Order no.	Image
Trolley L-200, stainless steel coated	11063692	
SD-Card 1 GB	11064730	
Connection cable, for vacuum pump	11064934	

12.1.3 Spare parts

Description	Order no.	Image
User interface L-200	11063578	
Pro user interface	11063579	
O-Ring Ø 300 mm	11065367	
Vacuum hose, KF 25, L 1000 mm	11066031	
Elbow connector KF 25	11074103	

Description	Order no.	Image
Vacuum clamp KF 16	11064939	
Vacuum seal KF 16	11063455	
Vacuum seal KF 25	11063457	
Vacuum seal KF 40	11063659	
Vacuum flange adapter, stainless steel, KF 16 to KF 25	11064870	
Blind flange KF 16	11064902	
Blind flange KF 25	11063660	
Blind flange KF 40	11063661	

12.1.4 Top-mount drying rack accessories

	Order no.	Image
Drying chamber tube, PMMA, for 4 shelves L 368 mm, Ø 300 mm	11063278	
Drying chamber tube, PMMA, for 6 shelves L 480 mm, Ø 300 mm	11065093	
Top cover, PMMA, without sealing Ø 300 mm, H 50 mm	11062912	
Top cover manifold, PMMA, with 12 valves, with- out sealing Ø 300 mm, W 546 mm, H 127 mm	11065595	
Top cover stoppering, without sealing only for rack for 4 heatable shelves Ø 300 mm, H 330 mm, W 320 mm	11064314	
Rack for 4 heatable shelves H 356 mm, Ø 265 mm , shelf distance 30-75 mm	11065102	
Rack for 6 heatable shelves H 468 mm, Ø 265 mm, shelf distance 30-75 mm	11065103	
Heatable shelf, aluminum coated, with connection cable Ø 219.5 mm, surface area 376 cm ²	11064095	
Sample tray, stainless steel Ø 220 mm, H 18.5 mm	11061439	\bigcirc
Ferrule, Ø 218 mm, H 40 mm	11065816	
Drying rack manifold, stainless steel, with 12 valves H 340 mm, W 777 mm	11063664	
Drip pan, for manifold	11066358	

	Order no.	Image
Support for rack, stainless steel	11063789	
H 4 mm		
Baseplate, stainless steel, for manifold rack	11064953	
Baseplate, PMMA, for manifold rack	11065733	
Suction nipple	11065819	
For manifold application to create vacuum in sample flasks		
Ampoule adapter for manifold	11065725	(.9.)
with 19 ampoule connections and cap adapter		
Manifold valve, EPDM/Silicone, with SJ 29/32	11062300	
Flask beaker for manifold 100 mL	11066140	JOL I
with cap adapter and integrated filter		
Flask beaker for manifold 200 mL	11066141	
with cap adapter and integrated filter		
Flask beaker for manifold 800 mL	11069474	
with cap adapter and integrated filter		
Flask beaker for manifold 1200 mL	11066143	
with cap adapter and integrated filter		
Manifold flask adapter set	11066144	0
with 12 adapters, incl. filter paper		•
Manifold flask adapter set	11067334	0
with 6 adapters, incl. filter paper		•

	Order no.	Image
Manifold flask adapter set, US joint size	11066171	0
with 12 adapters, incl. filter paper		•
Manifold flask adapter set, US joint size	11067333	0
with 6 adapters, incl. filter paper		•
Filter round 20mm Set à 100pcs	11065801	
Filter for manifold valve		\bigcirc
Filter round 47mm Set à 100pcs	11065731	
Beaker flasks with volume above 600 mL		
Filter round 30mm Set à 100pcs	11065728	
Beaker flasks with volume below 600 mL		\bigcirc

12.1.5 Software

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