# byko-cut universal

Portable instrument providing sufficient accuracy for laboratory use but also usable at construction sites and in workshops. Ideal for customer service technicians and demonstrations. The BYK-Gardner byko-cut is a universal instrument for:

- Measuring film thickness in the range of 2 2000 Mm (1/8 - 80 mils) on every substrate (steel, non-ferrous metal, plastics, wood, etc.)
- Capable of multi-layer film thickness analysis
- Adhesion test by means of cross-cut test in accordance with ASTM D 3359; DIN 53 151
- Indentation hardness test in accordance with ISO 2815 (Buchholz)
- Microscopic research for pores, pits, cracks, blisters, flaking, intercoat adhesion of the individual film in coat systems, and quality control of the pretreatment of the substrate

#### **Special features:**

- LED illumination
- Ergonomical design
- Guiding wheels for smooth cutting
- Cut finder



Standards		
ASTM	D 3002, D 3359	
DIN	50 986, 53 151	
ISO	2409, 2815	
NCCA	II-13, X-1	
VTLA	003 Item 9	
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Ordering Information		Technical S	Technical Specifications		
Cat. No.	Description	Lamp	Batteries	Microscope	Dimensions
3430	byko-cut thickness, Metric	White LED	1.5 Volts Mignon type	50-fold magnification	110 x 80 x 75 mm
					(4.3 x 3.2 x 2.9 in)
3431	byko-cut thickness, English	White LED	1.5 Volts Mignon type	50-fold magnification	110 x 80 x 75 mm
					(4.3 x 3.2 x 2.9 in)
3432	byko-cut no cutters, Metric	White LED	1.5 Volts Mignon type	50-fold magnification	110 x 80 x 75 mm
					(4.3 x 3.2 x 2.9 in)
3433	byko-cut no cutters, English	White LED	1.5 Volts Mignon type	50-fold magnification	110 x 80 x 75 mm
					(4.3 x 3.2 x 2.9 in)

#### Comes complete with:

byko-cut universal film gauge Revolving rotary head with 3 cutters for film thickness (# 1-3) Built-in microscope (scale 0 - 2 mm) LED Battery Operation manual

**Note:** Cutters must be ordered separately for Cat. No. 3432 Tools for cross-cut and hardness must be ordered separately



For more information on Buchholz hardness see chapter "Hardness"



The V-shaped cut can be easily stored as an image with the Digital Pocket Microscope. For more details please see chapter "Microscopes"



## Destructive Film Thickness Measurement

Create a V-shaped cut through the coating down to the substrate and measure width of a' (b'), which is proportional to the thickness a (b).

The specially designed blades which are attached to the instrument are used to make a short incision in the film. Then, the depth of the layer is measured with the built-in 50 fold microscope and the film is inspected for flaws.

Each of the cutting tips has two bevels which are made to precision with the mentioned slopes (see table). Since the slope of the cut is known, the measurement of the horizontal distance across this full slope (from the substrate to the top edge of the cut) is also a measurement of true vertical depth.



The thickness of multiple-layered coatings can be easily determined.

Orderin	g Information	Technical Sp	ecifications		
Cat. No.	Description	Slope of Tip*	Maximum	1 Division on	Accuracy
		(cutting angle)	Coating	Reticle Scale	in Microns
			Thichness	Represents (Depth)	± 1 increment**
3421	Thickness Cutter 1, 2000, byko-cut	45 °	2000 µm (80 mils)	20 µm (1.0 mils)	40
3422	Thickness Cutter 2, 1000, byko-cut	26.5 °	1000 µm (40 mils)	10 µm (0.5 mils)	20
3423	Thickness Cutter 3, 200, byko-cut	5.8 °	200 µm (8 mils)	2 µm (0.1 mils)	4
3419	Thickness Cutter 100, byko-cut	3.0°	100 µm (4 mils)	1 µm (0.05 mils)	
3420	Thickness Cutter 3000, byko-cut	56 °	3000 µm (120 mils)	30 µm (1.5 mils)	

\*Note: Angle measured from sample plane.

\*\*Note: For film thickness below 15  $\mu m,$  accuracy is +1.5  $\mu m$ 

## DPM 300

## **Digital Pocket Microscope**

### Features of DPM 300 Digital Pocket Microscope

- High resolution CCD-Camera offering clear images
- Very portable and easy to use
- USB Cable connection for the data transfer
- Auto Gain function to adjust the lightness differences
- 4 LED Illumination for better viewing
- Capture button to save image

### **Destructive Film Thickness**

The V-shaped cut from the byko-cut can be easily stored as an image with film thickness info in mm. Also the width from the cut can be detected and recalculated to the film thickness of the coating depending on the cut-Angle.





For more information on DPM 300 please see section microscopes





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## **Buchholz Indentation Hardness**

Place the byko-cut universal equipped with tool (Cat. No. 3427) and slip-on weight (Cat. No. 3434) on measuring position in accordance with standard. After 30 seconds measure indentation length using the built-in microscope.



Ordering Information		
Cat. No.	Description	
3427	Buchholz Tool, byko-cut	
3434	Buchholz Slip-on Weight, byko-cut	

#### **Technical Specifications**

In accordance with DIN 53153 and ISO 2815 Increases weight of byko-cut universal to the standard weight of 500 g  $\pm$  5g

## **Multi-Cut Tool for Cross-Cut Test**



Orderin	g Information	Technical Specificat	ions	
Cat. No.	Description	Standard	Cutter Spacing	No. Of Cutters
3429	Cross-Cut Tool 11, 1-edge 1 mm	ASTM	1 mm (0.04 in)	11
3424	Cross-Cut Tool 11, 1-edge 1.5 mm	ASTM	1.5 mm (0.06 in)	11
3425	Cross-Cut Tool 6, 1-edge 1 mm	DIN, ISO	1 mm (0.04 in)	6
3426	Cross-Cut Tool 6, 1-edge 2 mm	ASTM, DIN ISO	2 mm (0.08 in)	6



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