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1 Introduction

This manual gives you a comprehensive overview of the installation, functioning and operation of the Mira M-1 instrument.



NOTE

You can request application descriptions in the form of **Application Notes** and **Application Bulletins** from your Metrohm representative or download them from <http://www.metrohm.com>.

1.1 Instrument description

The **M**etrohm **I**ntant **R**aman **A**nalyzers (Mira) are handheld, high-power Raman spectrometers designed for the rapid, nondestructive identification of chemical and pharmaceutical samples, both liquid and solid. Barely larger than a smartphone, the Mira spectrometers are the only handheld Raman spectrometers currently on the market with Orbital Raster Scan (ORS) technology.

1.1.1 Model versions

Mira M-1 instruments are available in the following versions:

Table 1 Model versions

2.923.0010	Mira M-1 Basic With vial holder	Laser class 1
2.923.0020	Mira M-1 Advanced With SWD and LWD attachment lenses	Laser class 3B



NOTE

The accessories for a given model version can be created as a PDF list on the Internet at <http://partslists.metrohm.com>.



1.1.2 Power supply

The instrument is powered by exchangeable or rechargeable batteries of the AA / LR6 type or via the USB socket with a power supply unit or a connector to a PC.

1.1.3 Interfaces

A data connection to a PC can be established via the USB interface.

1.2 Intended use

This instrument is suitable for measuring in chemicals and flammable samples. Usage of the Mira M-1 therefore requires the user to have basic knowledge and experience in handling toxic and caustic substances. Knowledge with respect to the application of the fire prevention measures prescribed for laboratories or production plants is also mandatory.

The **Mira M-1 Advanced** model version with attachment lenses is specified with the laser class 3B, which requires appropriate protective measures to ensure personnel safety.

1.3 About the documentation



NOTE

Please read through this documentation carefully before putting the instrument into operation.

The documentation contains information and warnings which the user must follow in order to ensure safe operation of the instrument.

1.3.1 Symbols and conventions

The following symbols and formatting may appear in this documentation:

(5-12)	Cross-reference to figure legend The first number refers to the figure number, the second to the instrument part in the figure.
1	Instruction step Carry out these steps in the sequence shown.
Method	Dialog text, parameter in the software
File ► New	Menu or menu item

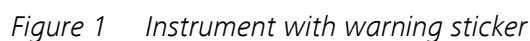


1.4.1 General notes on safety



This instrument may only be operated in accordance with the specifications in this documentation.

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Laser aperture

**Laser specification / serial number**

Laser class

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Figure 4 Sticker - Basic model version with vial holder



Figure 5 Sticker - Advanced model version with attachment lenses

1.4.4 Electrical safety

The electrical safety when working with the instrument is ensured as part of the international standard IEC 61010.



WARNING

Only personnel qualified by Metrohm are authorized to carry out service work on electronic components.



WARNING

Never open the housing of the instrument. The instrument could be damaged by this. There is also a risk of serious injury if live components are touched.

There are no parts inside the housing which can be serviced or replaced by the user.

Supply voltage



WARNING

An incorrect supply voltage can damage the instrument.

Only operate this instrument with a supply voltage specified for it (see rear panel of the instrument).

Power supply unit



WARNING

Use the power supply unit only for its intended purpose. Inappropriate use or use of non-approved or incompatible power supply units may cause fires or explosions and result in the revocation of the license or warranty.

If you think that the power supply unit has been damaged, have it checked by a service center. Do not use damaged power supply units.

Do not charge your instrument during thunderstorms.

Do not use the power supply unit outdoors.

1.4.5 Flammable solvents and chemicals

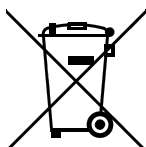


WARNING

All relevant safety measures are to be observed when working with flammable solvents and chemicals.

- Set up the instrument in a well-ventilated location (e.g. fume cupboard).
- Keep all sources of flame far from the workplace.
- Clean up spilled liquids and solids immediately.
- Follow the safety instructions of the chemical manufacturer.

1.4.6 Recycling and disposal



This product is covered by European Directive 2002/96/EC, WEEE – Waste from Electrical and Electronic Equipment.

The correct disposal of your old equipment will help to prevent negative effects on the environment and public health.

More details about the disposal of your old equipment can be obtained from your local authorities, from waste disposal companies or from your local dealer.

2 Overview of the instrument

2.1 Front



Figure 6 Mira M-1 - front

1	Vial holder	2	Touch screen
3	Battery compartment	4	Type B mini USB connector
5	On/off switch		

2.2 Rear

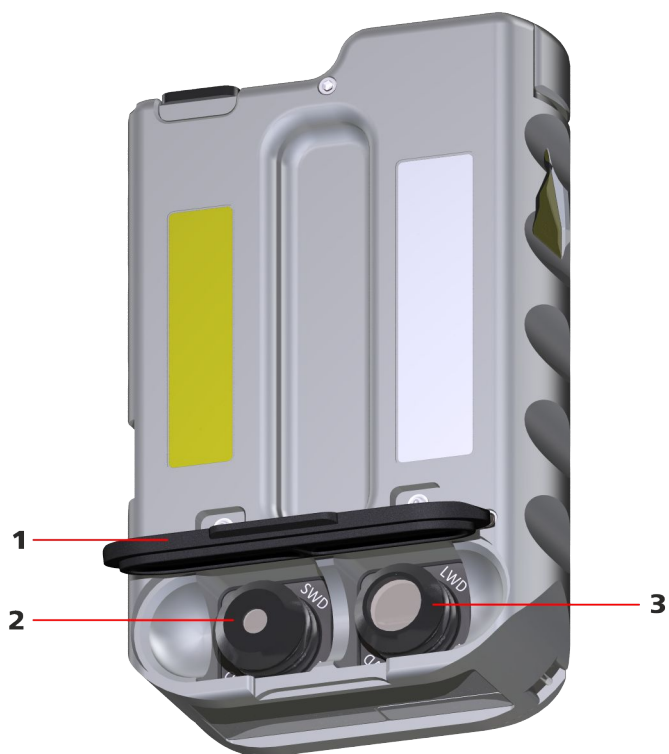


Figure 7 Mira M-1 - rear

- ### 3 LWD attachment lens (class 3B)



Rotary locking mechanism to open and close the battery compartment.

The polarity for the batteries is marked on the inside.

For stationary use in the laboratory, the instrument can be operated via a power supply unit or the USB interface of a PC.



The instrument has no charging function for rechargeable batteries.
Used up batteries must be replaced.

NOTE

Instrument settings and the installation of the spectral libraries are carried out with the **Mira Cal** software.

You can find detailed information on the procedure in the tutorial for the **Mira Cal** software.

Calibrating the instrument with the calibration standard

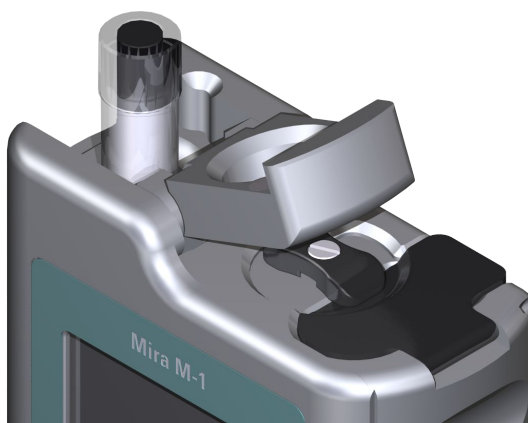


Figure 10 Vial holder with calibration standard

Measuring with vials

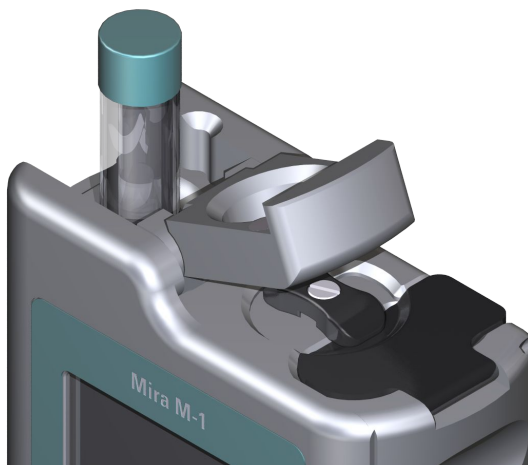


Figure 11 Vial holder with vial

3.4.2 Mira M-1 with SWD attachment lens (class 3B)



WARNING

Laser radiation

The **Mira M-1 Advanced** instrument is a class 3B laser instrument which can emit laser light with a power of up to 100 mW and a wavelength of 785 nm (NIR) during data acquisition.

The laser radiation can cause serious eye injuries if the safety measures are not followed.

- The provided protective glasses must be worn when using an attachment lens.
- The safety regulations must be observed (*see Chapter 1.4.2, page 4*).

The SWD attachment lens is used for samples with direct contact or in thin plastic bags.

The focal point is approximately **0.85 mm** from the end of the adapter.



Figure 12 SWD attachment lens



Figure 13 Example with direct measurement

3.4.3 Mira M-1 with LWD attachment lens (class 3B)



WARNING

Laser radiation

The **Mira M-1 Advanced** instrument is a class 3B laser instrument which can emit laser light with a power of up to 100 mW and a wavelength of 785 nm (NIR) during data acquisition.

The laser radiation can cause serious eye injuries if the safety measures are not followed.

- The provided protective glasses must be worn when using an attachment lens.
- The safety regulations must be observed (*see Chapter 1.4.2, page 4*).

The LWD attachment lens is used for samples in thick-walled bottles.

The bottles can be clear or amber. The focal point is approximately **8 mm** from the top of the attachment lens.



Figure 14 LWD attachment lens



Figure 15 Example with measurement through a bottle

3.5 Installing firmware update




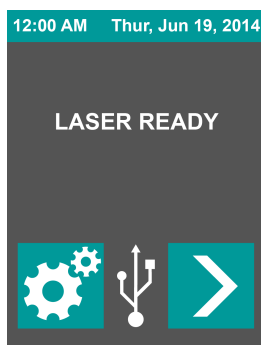
NOTE

Firmware update

The installation of firmware updates is carried out via the **Mira Cal** software.

You can find detailed information on the procedure in the tutorial for the **Mira Cal** software.

- Tap on the  key in the main menu.
The instrument is now ready for measuring.





4 Measuring the sample

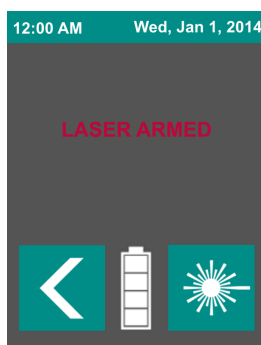


NOTE

Laser safety

The  key of the **Mira M-1 Advanced** instrument must be pressed during measurement.


- Start the measurement with the  key (and keep the key pressed down until the result is displayed).

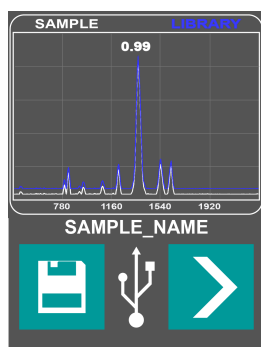


- Wait for the end of the measurement and the result.
- Display during measurement:



5 Displaying and saving the result

- After the measurement, all activated spectral libraries are automatically searched and the result of the identification is displayed with:
 - Name of the identified substance
 - Sample spectrum
 - Library spectrum
 - Match rate
- Save the measurement with the  key.








6 Designating the sample

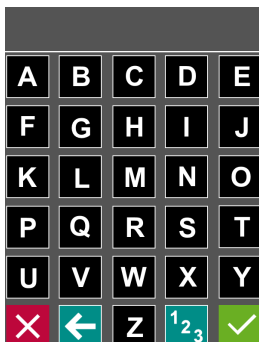


NOTE

Key functions

-  : Switch editor over to alphabetic characters
-  : Switch editor over to numeric characters
-  : Delete last character
-  : Cancel the entry

- Enter a sample ID or a sample designation.
- Confirm the entry with the  key.



NOTE

Saved measured data

The saved measured data can be transferred into the **Mira Cal** software for further processing and evaluation.

You can find information on this procedure in the tutorial for the **Mira Cal** software.

4.2 Configuration

The following steps explain how the instrument is configured.

The following settings can be adjusted in the configuration menu of the running instrument:

- Change secret number (PIN)
(see "Changing the secret number (PIN)", page 21)
- Activate/deactivate spectral libraries
(see "Activating/deactivating spectral libraries", page 23)
- Calibrate the instrument
(see "Calibrating the instrument", page 26)

Changing the secret number (PIN)

For the safety of your instrument, the secret number (PIN) can be changed.



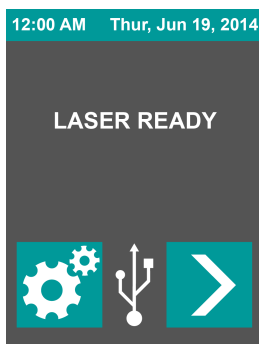
NOTE

Storing the secret number

Store the secret number (PIN) in a safe place.

1 Selecting the configuration menu

- Select the configuration menu with the key.



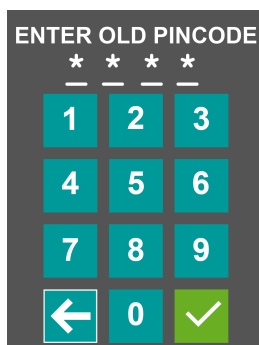
2 Selecting the secret number menu

- Select the secret number menu with the  key.



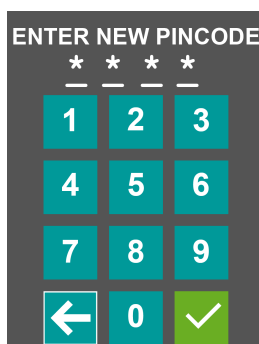
3 Entering the current secret number

- Enter the current four-digit secret number.
Default factory setting: **1234**



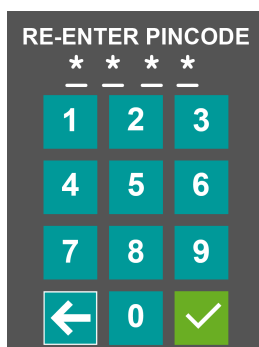
4 Entering a new secret number

- Enter the new four-digit secret number.



5 Confirming the new secret number

- Confirm the new secret number.



6 Completing the entry

- Complete the entry with the  key.

Activating/deactivating spectral libraries

The libraries that were searched during the identification can be activated or deactivated in the Mira M-1 instrument.



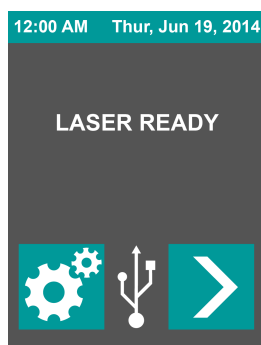
NOTE

Applying spectral library


- The fewer libraries are activated for the spectral comparison, the shorter the search.
 - If many libraries are activated, the sample may have a high match rate for several library substances and thus be difficult to identify. It is advisable to incorporate previous knowledge of the sample into the identification.
- For this reason, the libraries are arranged according to subjects. We recommend activating only those substance classes that fit the sample.
- The settings chosen in this menu only determine whether a library is included in the search.
- Newly purchased libraries first have to be unlocked in the **Mira Cal** software.

1 Selecting the configuration menu

- Select the configuration menu with the key.



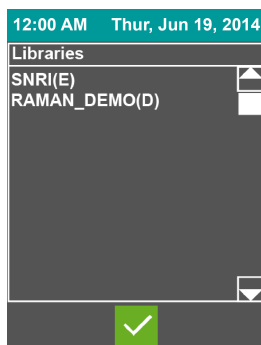
2 Selecting the library menu

- Select the library menu with the  key.



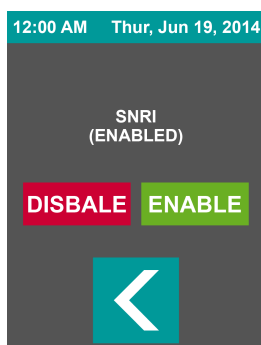
3 Selecting the spectral library

- Tap twice on the desired spectral library.



4 Activating/deactivating the spectral library

- Activate the spectral library with the **[ENABLE]** key or deactivate it with the **[DISABLE]** key.
- Activate or deactivate additional spectral libraries following the previous steps if needed.



5 Exiting the library menu

- Exit the library menu with the  key.





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NOTE

Laser safety


The  key of the **Mira M-1 Advanced** instrument must be pressed during calibration.

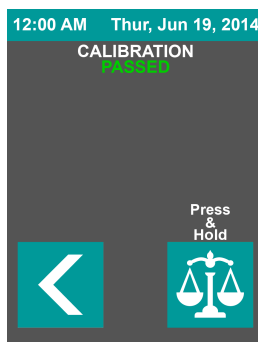
Start the calibration with the  key (and keep the key pressed down until the result is displayed).


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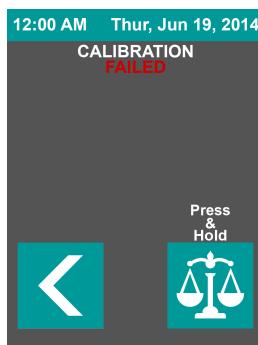
- Wait for the calibration to start, until the message is displayed.



- The calibration is successful:
 - Exit the calibration menu with the  key.



- The calibration is not successful:
 - Remove the calibration standard and check for contamination and damages.
 - Reinsert the calibration standard.
 - Restart the calibration with the  key.



4.3 Operation with Mira Cal



NOTE

Operation

The following functions are carried out with the **Mira Cal** software:

- Configuration of the **Mira M-1** instrument.
- Remote operation of the **Mira M-1** instrument.
- Update and activation of the spectral libraries.
- Automatic updating of date and time.
- Installation of new instrument firmware.
- Management and evaluation of results.

You can find detailed information on the procedure in the tutorial for the **Mira Cal** software.

5 Operation and maintenance

5.1 General notes

5.1.1 Care

Mira M-1 instruments require appropriate care. Excess contamination of the instruments may result in functional disruptions and a reduction in the service life of the otherwise sturdy mechanics and electronics.

Spilled chemicals and solvents should be removed immediately. In particular, the plug connections should be protected from contamination.



CAUTION

Although this is largely prevented by design measures, Metrohm Service should immediately be notified if aggressive media have found their way into the instrument.

5.1.2 Maintenance by Metrohm Service

Maintenance of the **Mira M-1** is best carried out as part of annual service, which is performed by specialist personnel from Metrohm. A shorter maintenance interval may be necessary if you frequently work with caustic and corrosive chemicals.

Metrohm Service offers every form of technical advice for maintenance and service of all Metrohm instruments.

5.2 Quality management and qualification with Metrohm

Quality management

Metrohm offers you comprehensive support in implementing quality management measures for instruments and software.

Qualification

Please contact your local Metrohm representative for support in qualification of instruments and software. The **Installation Qualification** (IQ) and **Operational Qualification** (OQ) are offered by Metrohm representatives as a service. They are carried out by trained employees using standardized qualification documents and in accordance with the currently applicable requirements of the regulated industry.

The electronic and mechanical functional groups of Metrohm instruments can and should be checked by specialist personnel from Metrohm as part of a regular preventive maintenance schedule. Please ask your local Metrohm representative regarding the precise terms and conditions involved in concluding a corresponding maintenance agreement.

For detailed information on this topic, please visit www.metrohm.com.

7 Appendix

7.1 Spectral libraries

Metrohm provides an extensive collection of Raman spectra for Mira spectrometers. These are suitable for not only identifying unknown Raman spectra, but also characterizing a whole range of different materials. The spectral library that is available comprises more than 9,000 Raman spectra which have been measured in the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) in Japan and by scientists at S.T. Japan, Inc. in Tokyo. This complete library is subdivided into 21 sub-libraries, which can be combined as required.



NOTE

Subject to modifications

The spectral libraries and their scope are continuously updated.

You can find the current offers for the spectral libraries under the optional accessories on the Metrohm website (*see Chapter 9, page 39*).

Table 2 Spectral libraries

Article number	Designation	Number of spectra
6.6071.601	Complete Raman spectral library.	> 8,690
6.6071.602	Raman spectra of active substances and auxiliary materials that are relevant to the pharmaceutical industry and medical research.	> 1,170
6.6071.603	Raman spectra of solvents.	> 460
6.6071.604	Raman spectra of polymers, polymer additives, plastics, plasticizers and packaging materials.	> 920
6.6071.605	Raman spectra of aliphatic and aromatic aldehydes and ketones.	> 1,070
6.6071.606	Raman spectra of alcoholic and phenolic compounds.	> 890
6.6071.607	Raman spectra of esters, lactones and anhydrides.	> 2,930
6.6071.608	Raman spectra of hydrocarbons and halogenated hydrocarbons.	> 560
6.6071.609	Raman spectra of chemical substances that are used in the semiconductor industry.	> 370
6.6071.610	Raman spectra of selected hazardous substances that are listed in the "EPA Cameo Database for Chemical Emergencies and Responders" and the "USCG CHRIS Hazardous Chemicals Database".	> 1,360

8.1 Operating specifications

Table 3 Specification of the measuring parameters

Aspect	Specification
Laser wavelength	785 nm
Laser output power	≤ 100 mW
Wavenumber range	400 - 2,300 cm^{-1}
Spectral resolution	12 - 14 cm^{-1} (FWHM) across the whole range
Collection optics	NA = 0.50, 1 mm and 7.6 mm working distance; 0.2 - 2.5 mm measuring spot size
Beam divergence	7.2 degrees
Detection technique	Orbital Raster Scan (ORS) to average over the sample
Laser class according to EN 60825-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mira M-1 Basic Class 1 ■ Mira M-1 Advanced Class 3B
Protection Level according to EN 207	D LB5 775 - 795 nm
NOHD - Nominal Ocular Hazard Distance	SWD attachment lens : 66 cm \pm 5 cm LWD attachment lens : 64 cm \pm 5 cm

8.2 Measured value memory

<i>Memory size</i>	8 GB (measured values and spectral library)
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8.3 Screen

<i>Display size</i>	2.8 inch, resistive touch screen
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8.4 Interfaces

USB connector Type A/B mini USB connector (USB 2.0) with the following functions:

- Power supply
- Data transmission

with USB cable (6.2151.110)

8.5 Power supply

Battery 2 x 1.5 V, size AA / LR6

Nominal input voltage 5 V DC

Power consumption	1,000 mA max.
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Power supply unit No. 6.2166.100

Nominal input voltage 100 - 240 V AC

Frequency 50 - 60 Hz

Output voltage 5 V DC

Nominal output current 1,500 mA max.

8.6 Runtime



NOTE

Runtimes

The runtimes may vary according to the configuration used and the usage habits.

The following values are based on operation under reference conditions.

Uptime Up to 11 hours with lithium-ion batteries.

8.7 Housing specification

Leak-tightness Protected against dust and splash water.

8.8 Safety specifications

This instrument fulfills the following electrical safety requirements:



CE marking in accordance with the EU directives:

- 2006/95/EC (Low Voltage Directive, LVD)
- 2004/108/EC (EMC Directive, EMC)
- EN/IEC 60825-1 (Safety of laser products)

Safety instructions This document contains safety instructions which have to be followed by the user in order to ensure safe operation of the instrument.

- EN 207 (Personal eye-protection equipment – Filters and eye-protectors against laser radiation (laser eye-protectors))

8.9 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

Emission Standards fulfilled:

- EN/IEC 61326-1
- EN/IEC 61000-6-3
- EN 55011 / CISPR 11

Immunity

Standards fulfilled:

- EN/IEC 61326-1
- EN/IEC 61000-6-2
- EN/IEC 61000-4-2
- EN/IEC 61000-4-3
- EN/IEC 61000-4-4
- EN/IEC 61000-4-5
- EN/IEC 61000-4-6
- EN/IEC 61000-4-11
- EN/IEC 61000-4-14
- EN/IEC 61000-4-28

9 Accessories

Up-to-date information on the scope of delivery and optional accessories for your instrument can be found on the Internet. You can download this information using the article number as follows:

Downloading the accessories list

- 1 Type <http://partslists.metrohm.com> into your Internet browser.

The **Partslists** webpage will be displayed.

- 2 Select the desired output language.

- 3 Enter the article number (e.g. **2.884.0010**) and click on the **Generate PDF** command.

The PDF file with the accessories data will be created in the language selected.



NOTE

When you receive your new instrument, we recommend downloading the accessories list from the Internet, printing it out and keeping it together with the manual for reference purposes.

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