# MICROACTIVE ASAP® 2020 PLUS

#### ACCELERATED SURFACE AREA AND POROSIMETRY SYSTEM

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# **OPERATOR TRAINING CHECKLIST**

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#### **ABOUT MICROMERITICS**

Micromeritics Instruments Corporation is a leading global provider of solutions for material characterization with best-in-class instrumentation and application expertise in five core areas: density; surface area and porosity; particle size and shape; powder characterization; and catalyst characterization and process development. Founded in 1962, the company is headquartered in Norcross, Georgia, USA and has more than 300 employees worldwide. With a fully integrated operation that extends from a world class scientific knowledge base through to in-house manufacture, Micrometrics delivers an extensive range of high-performance products for academic research and industrial problem-solving. The implementation of tactical partnerships to incubate and deliver valuable new technologies exemplifies the company's holistic, customer-centric approach which extends to a cost-efficient contract testing laboratory – the Particle Testing Authority (PTA). The strategic acquisitions of Freeman Technology Ltd and Process Integral Development S.L. (PID Eng & Tech) reflect an ongoing commitment to optimized, integrated solutions in the industrially vital areas of powders and catalysis.

Freeman Technology (Tewkesbury, UK) brings market-leading powder characterization technology to Micromeritics' existing portfolio of particle characterization techniques. The result is a suite of products that directly supports efforts to understand and engineer particle properties to meet powder performance targets. With over 15 years of experience in powder testing, Freeman Technology specializes in systems for measuring the flow properties of powders. In combination with detailed application know-how these systems deliver unrivalled insight into powder behavior supporting development, formulation, scale-up, processing and manufacture across a wide range of industrial sectors.

PID Eng & Tech (Madrid, Spain) complements Micromeritics' renowned offering for catalyst characterization with technology for the measurement and optimization of catalytic activity, with a product range that extends to both standard and bespoke pilot scale equipment. Launched in 2003, PID Eng & Tech is a leading provider of automated, modular microreactor systems for the detailed investigation of reaction kinetics and yield. These products are supported by a highly skilled multidisciplinary team of engineers with in-depth expertise in the design, construction and operation of laboratory units and process scale-up.

The Particle Testing Authority (PTA) provides material characterization services for fine powders and solid materials using Micromeritics' instrumentation alongside complementary solutions from other vendors. With the certification and expertise to operate across a wide range of industries the PTA offering runs from single sample analysis to complex method development, method validation, new product assessment, and the analytical support required for large scale manufacturing projects. An experienced, highly trained team of scientists, engineers, and lab technicians works closely with every client to ensure that all analytical requirements are rapidly and responsively addressed.



Micromeritics has a strong global network with offices across the Americas, Asia, and Europe complemented by a dedicated team of distributors in additional locations. This ensures that local, knowledgeable support is available for every customer, in academia or industry. Micromeritics works across a truly diverse range of industries from oil processing, petrochemicals and catalysts, to food and pharmaceuticals, and at the forefront of characterization technology for next generation materials such as graphene, metal-organic-frameworks, nanocatalysts, and zeolites. Engineering solutions that work optimally for every user is a defining characteristic of the company.



# **DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY**

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#### 1. OVERVIEW

This document contains a checklist to be used for training of MicroActive ASAP 2020 Plus system operators in standard and 21CFR11 environments. In each of the sections, place a check mark next to the items that were shown and discussed.

| Section<br>Number | Sections                         | Standard<br>Users | Confirm<br>Users |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1                 | Overview                         | ✓                 | <b>✓</b>         |
| 2                 | Orientation on the next page     | ✓                 | ✓                |
| 3                 | Confirm Administrators on page 9 |                   | ✓                |
| 4                 | Verification on page 11          | ✓                 | <b>√</b>         |



# 2. ORIENTATION

|         | 1. Table of Contents and Appendices                                 |
|---------|---|
|         | 2. Manual organization and conventions                              |
|         | 3. Equipment description  |
|         | 4. Power up and power down sequence                                 |
|         | 5. Analyzer and cable connections                                   |
|         | 6. Purging of gas lines   |
|         | 7. Sample tube choice, cleaning, handling, and assembly             |
|         | 8. Trainee prepared sample tube                                     |
|         | 9. Degasser connection (if applicable)                              |
|         | 10. Degas system  |
|         | 11. Loading samples onto degas system                               |
|         | 12. Trainee allowed to load sample                                  |
|         | 13. Menu structure  |
|         | 14. Mouse and keyboard usage  |
|         | 15. Trainee allowed time to become familiar with software operation |
|         | 16. Unit Configuration  |
|         | 17. <i>Help</i> menu  |
|         | 18. Libraries   |
| METHODS | CREATION  |
|         | 1. Methods creation   |
|         | 2. Methods used in sample information files                         |
|         |   |



#### SAMPLE FILE AND PARAMETER FILE CREATION

**Standard Environments and Confirm Developers** 

|           | File menu and sample information file structure                                 |
|-----------|---|
|           | 2. Sample information file  |
|           | 3. Sample tube file   |
|           | 4. Degas conditions file  |
|           | 5. Analysis conditions file   |
|           | 6. Adsorptive properties file   |
|           | 7. Report options file  |
|           | 8. Available reports  |
| Confirm A |   |
|           | 1. File menu and sample information file structure in Basic option presentation |
|           | 2. Sample information file  |
|           | 3. Sample tube file   |
|           | 4. Degas conditions file  |
|           | 5. Analysis conditions file   |
|           | 6. Adsorptive properties file   |
|           | 7. Report options file  |
|           | 8. Available reports  |



#### SAMPLE ANALYSIS

| PHYSICAL | ADSORPTION   |
|----------|--|
|          | Sample loaded onto degasser and degassing started    |
|          | 2. Degassed sample unloading                         |
|          | 3. Sample tube installation                          |
|          | 4. Starting and viewing analysis                     |
|          | 5. Indicators, prompts, and valves                   |
|          | 6. Effect of alternative analysis conditions         |
|          | 7. Adsorption dosing and equilibration               |
|          | 8. Screen reporting of analysis in progress          |
|          | 9. Vapor analysis                                    |
| СНЕМІСАІ | ADSORPTION   |
|          | 1. Sample tube installation                          |
|          | 2. Install chemical adsorption assembly and furnace. |
|          | 3. Starting and viewing an analysis                  |
|          | 4. Indicators, prompts, and valves                   |
|          | 5. Effect of alternative analysis conditions         |
| Analysi  | S <b>R</b> EPORTS                                    |
|          | 1. Interactive reports                               |
|          | 2. Starting default reports                          |
|          | 3. Changing sample file report options               |
|          | 4. Surface area and t-plot calculation adjustment    |
|          | 5. User-defined reports                              |
|          | 6. Printed reports                                   |

8. Calculations (internet location)

7. Example reports



#### **OPTIONS MENU**

|         | 1. <i>Options</i> menu             |
|---------|------------------------------------|
|         | 2. Presentation display options    |
|         | 3. Default method                  |
|         | 4. Manage libraries                |
|         | 5. Units of measurement selections |
|         | 6. Graph options                   |
|         | 7. Service mode                    |
| DIAGNOS | STICS                              |
|         | 1. Dashboard                       |

2. Show all readings3. Diagnostics tests



| TROUBLESHOOTING AI | ND <b>M</b> AINTENANCE |
|--------------------|------------------------|
|                    |                        |

| Error messages (internet location)                            |
|---|
| 2. Preventive maintenance procedures                          |
| 3. Analysis port filter replacement                           |
| 4. Reference material analysis details and analysis frequency |
| 5. Connecting gas cylinders                                   |
| 6. System calibration   |

#### RETURNED GOODS AND PARTS ORDERING

| <br>1. Returned goods policy |
|------------------------------|
| 2. Parts and accessories     |

#### **WARRANTY STATEMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. Warranty policy



| QUESTIONS  |
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| All questions on operation resolved? (Enter <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b> .)   |
| f <b>NO</b> , use the available space to document the question, then forward to the appropriate personnel at Micromeritics for resolution. |
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# 3. CONFIRM ADMINISTRATORS

| GROUPS  | AND USER ACCOUNTS   |
|---------|---|
|         | 1. Enter Confirm user accounts                                |
|         | 2. Modify Confirm user accounts                               |
|         | 3. Create Confirm groups                                      |
|         | 4. Add Confirm members to groups                              |
| LOCK AN | ID UNLOCK THE APPLICATION  1. Lock and unlock the application |
| Passwo  | RD ADMINISTRATION   |
|         | 1. Change password settings                                   |



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# 4. VERIFICATION

| All items or              | n the Operator Training Checklist completed? (Enter <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b> )  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Name of trainer:          |  |
| Date of training:         |  |
| Company address:          |  |
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| Analyzer name:            |  |
| Analyzer serial number:   |  |
|                           | be completed by the primary operator trained during this session. Please that installation training has been carried out to your satisfaction. |
| Operator verifying comple | tion of training:  |
| Date signed:              |  |
| Operator's title:         |  |
| Operator's phone number   | :  |