

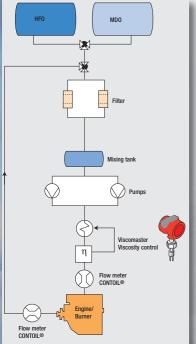
# **Viscomaster**<sup>TM</sup>

Viscosity- and Density-Solutions for fuel oil applications



High accuracySimple to use

# **Industry introduction**



### Introduction

The measurement and control of fuel oil viscosity is a known requirement within the marine and diesel engine industries. Capillary type viscometers have historically been used for this function, despite their inherent need for regular cleaning and maintenance. With the increasing pressure on operators to reduce costs, lower maintenance viscometers are required to control their systems.

As a solution to this need, the existing fork viscometer - with its inherently rugged, maintenance free design was specifically introduced into the Marine market. With no need for re-calibration and no moving parts this accurate viscometer is rapidly becoming an industry standard in viscosity control.

### **Description**

The Viscomaster and the new Viscomaster Dynamic transmitters are a major innovation in the measurement of all types of fuel oil that supply engines, turbines and marine burners.

Since its introduction in 1993, the fork viscometer design has been adapted to serve different applications within the Oil industry. We have worked closely with customers to enhance this instrument and develop a product that is designed for measurement and control. Tested for more than 16,000 service hours in power generation and with numerous installations worldwide, this technology can easily cope with a range of fuels from HFO to IF30 for turbines.

Correctly installed, the Viscomaster requires little or no maintainance and is naturally tolerant of the harsh engine environments.

### **Viscomaster™ series viscosity transmitters**

The two instruments in the Viscomaster transmitter series, the Viscomaster and the Viscomaster Dynamic, have been designed to support the current developments in engine technology and the need for fuel quality data trakking throughout the engine service life. They have similarly excellent performance on viscosity measurement, whilst the Viscomaster has added functionality to accommodate the more demanding applications, that require line density measurement and Ignition Index calculations.

### Viscomaster<sup>™</sup> Dynamic

Designed as a direct alternative to conventional fuel viscometers, the Viscomaster Dynamic is calibrated over the range of 0.5 to 50 cP and gives direct viscosity and temperature outputs. It can be programmed with a fuel density reading (typically from suppliers data or a laboratory sample) to enable it to output a calculated kinematic viscosity. This removes the need to inaccurately fix a fuel density value as other viscometer manufacturers require.

### Viscomaster™

Calibrated over the range 0.5 to 100 cP with a full density calibration, the Viscomaster measures the FO density and viscosity simultaneously in real time with unprecedented accuracy and speed of response. Its twin, fully configurable analog outputs allow the transmission of any two specific parameters such as kinematic viscosity, density, base density and temperature amongst others. Customers can now log real time data on a range of fuel quality factors such as referred viscosity and Ignition Index, which are invaluable aids in maintaining engine performance



**Before - Capillary viscometer** 



After - VISCOMASTER retrofit

# **Product description**

### **Viscomaster™ Dynamic**

- 2 x 4-20mA analog outputs:
   1 Configurable dynamic/kinematic viscosity
   1 Fixed as temperature
- Fixed density input, temperature corrected
- · Dynamic and Kinematic viscosity
- MODBUS output of all parameters including calculated density at operating temperature and calculated Kinematic viscosity at operating temperature
- No moving parts, minimum maintenance
- 1.5" Cone seat fitting, leaktight metal to metal seal
- 316L Stainless steel wetted parts
- Factory calibrated
- PTFE coated tines for asphaltene rich fuels

### Viscomaster™

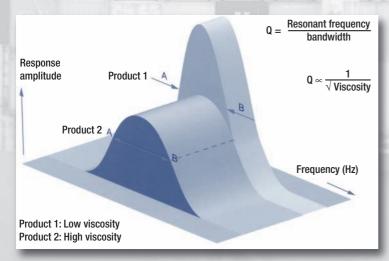
- 2 x 4-20mA analog outputs: Both outputs fully configurable to any calculated measurement including density, dynamic/kinematic viscosity, temperature, CCAI, etc.
- · On-line density measurement
- Dynamic and Kinematic viscosity
- MODBUS output of all parameters including density, base density, (API 2540) viscosity, base viscosity (ASTM D341) and ignition index (CCAI, CII)
- · No moving parts, minimum maintenance
- 1.5" Cone seat fitting, leaktight metal to metal seal
- 316L Stainless steel wetted parts
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# 121 (4.76") 11/2" NPT both sides Caution (4.29") Mounting to suit 1.5" swagelok or similar cone joint fitting

### **Principle of Operation**

The sensor is a simple tuning fork maintained in vibration electronically. The density is a function of the resonant frequency, the viscosity is a function of the bandwidth.

Viscomaster digitally measures the frequency at a point A (the lower - 3db point) and then at point B (the upper -3db point) - see diagram. From these two measurements the Viscomaster can calculate the bandwidth (B-A), resonant frequency ((A+B)/2) and hence the quality factor (resonant frequency/bandwidth), to give digitally determined values of the density and viscosity for the fluid.



### Configuration

ADView is a software package to enable you to:

- · Configure our density and viscosity transmitters
- · View and save data from them
- Check that they are functioning correctly

ADView is installed on a PC and interacts with the Viscomaster Series transmitters through one of the PC's standard serial (RS-232) ports.

Download from: www.aquametro.com/english/software\_e.html

# Features, benefits and approvals



| Feature  | Benefit   |
|--|---|
| Stable and accurate in-line measurement  | <ul><li>Optimum combustion efficiency</li><li>Optimal fuel consumption</li><li>Reduced maintenance required</li></ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Prevention of engine damage</li> <li>True Desity measurement enables the correct calculation of fuel mass consumption</li> <li>True Kinematic viscosity measurement</li> </ul> |
| Simultaneous on-line Viscosity and<br>Density outputs<br>(Viscomaster gives continuous | <ul> <li>Fuel savings with engine performance<br/>parameters (CII &amp; CCAI)</li> <li>True fuel oil characterisation (no assumed</li> </ul>  |
| on-line density measurement) Designed for marine environments                          | density values)  • Unaffected by vibration  |
| Rugged design, no moving parts   | <ul> <li>Dirt / Asphaltene resistant</li> <li>Robust tine design</li> <li>No thin sensor sections</li> <li>Virtually no maintenance</li> <li>Low cost of ownership</li> </ul>           |
| Simple Installation  | Compact design     Standard & customer specific installations available   |
| Vibrating fork principle   | <ul> <li>Proven design</li> <li>&gt;10 years experience in Viscosity measurement</li> <li>Reliable, stable &amp; accurate</li> </ul>  |
| Internal PT100   | No need for external temperature sensor   |
| Two head mounted integral 4-20mA outputs   | <ul><li>No need for external 4-20 mA interface box</li><li>Simple wiring</li></ul>  |
| Stable calibration   | No need for re-calibration     No local service requirements  |
| Worldwide marine approvals   | <ul> <li>No operator training needed</li> <li>Certified safety &amp; performance by recognised marine authorities</li> </ul>  |
| Retrofit kits available  | <ul> <li>Easy replacement of existing viscometer<br/>technologies.</li> <li>No need to change pipework/system design</li> </ul>   |

## Viscomaster™ Series marine approvals

| Marine approval                       | Country        |  |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Lloyds London                         | United Kingdom |  |
| Germanischer Lloyd                    | Germany        |  |
| Det Norske Veritas                    | Norway         |  |
| Bureau Veritas                        | France         |  |
| RINA                                  | Italy          |  |
| American Bureau of Shipping           | USA            |  |
| Nippon Kaiji Kyokai                   | Japan          |  |
| Russian Maritime Register of Shipping | Russia         |  |
| Korean Register of Shipping           | Korea          |  |
| China Classification of Ships         | China          |  |







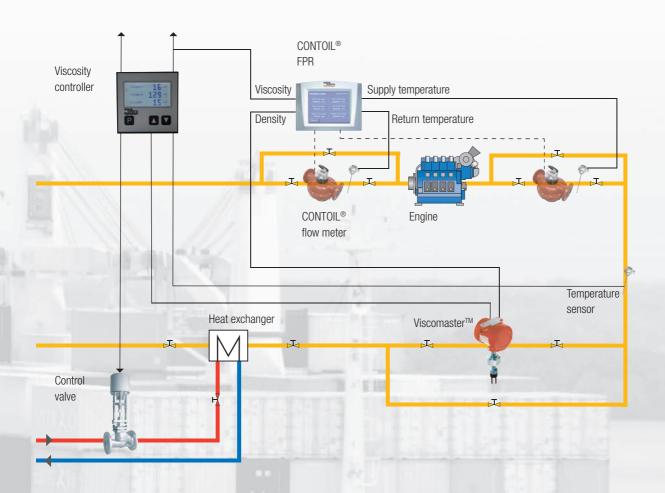








# **Certified HFO system**



Most marine & land-based engine/burner applications use a fuel booster module or own conditioning setup to pre-condition the prior to injection. These modules usually consist of a number of supply pumps fed by either HFO or MDO, a flow meter, in-line filters to remove impurities and a holding/mixing tank. Following this supply section, the fuel is usually sent to booster pumps that increase the flow rate and then through a series of heat exchangers to change the fuel viscosity for optimum combustion.

### **Proven applications**

| Company   | Instrument                             | Application   |
|---|--|---|
| Various shipyard in Korea   | Viscomaster Dynamic                    | Heavy fuel oil to M/E, G/E  |
| Various German diesel engine manufacturers  | Viscomaster digital viscometer         | Power generation -<br>heavyfuel oil to engines,<br>heater control |
| Fuel Booster Module manufacturers<br>in Germany, Finland, Denmark, Korea<br>and Belgium | Viscomaster and<br>Viscomaster Dynamic | Heavy fuel oil to M/E, G/E  |

# **Specification**

### **Sensor**

Type Vibrating fork sensor piezodrive with digital density

and viscosity measurement
Materials 316L Stainless steel
Tine finish PTFE laminated\*

Temperature PT100 IEC 60751 Class B, sensor DIN 43760 Class B (integral)
Process connections 1.5" Cone seat

\* PTFE is applied only to the tines for its anti-stick properties not for corrosion protection.

### **Performance**

Viscosity calibrated ranges 0.5 to 100 cP (Viscomaster) 0.5 to 50 cP (Dynamic)

Viscosity accuracy  $\pm 1$  % span ( $\pm 0.2$  cP in 0 to 10 cP range)

Viscosity repeatability  $\pm 0.5$  % of reading

Temperature range
- Process
-50 to +200 °C (-60 to +392 °F)
- Ambient
-40 to +85 °C (-40 to +185 °F)

Pressure range\*\* As defined by process connection ViscoMaster Density

Density calibrated range 0.6 to 1.25 g/cc (38 to 78 lb/ft3)

Density accuracy  $\pm 0.001$  g/cc ( $\pm 0.0624$  lb/ft3)

\*\* Lloyd's approval valid to 70 bar / 1030 psi maximum.

### **Electronics**

Density repeatablity

Power supply 20 to 28 V dc

Analog outputs 2 x 4-20 mA, isolated (self powered by default)

Power supply: 15-28 V dc

Accuracy: ±0.1 % reading, ±0.05 % FSD @20 °C Repeatability: ±0.05 % FSD over range -40 to +85 °C

Comms RS485 Interface: 9600 baud

MODBUS RTU (Modicon)

Electrical connection Screw terminal, cable entry to suit 1/2" NPT gland

(20 mm adaptor available)

±0.0001 g/cc (±0.0062 lb/ft3)

### **Approvals**

Enclosure IP60

ATEX II 2G EEx d IIC T4
EMC EN61326-1997 (Industrial)



# **Ordering information**

### Viscosity sensor types

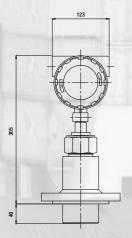
| Туре   | Art. No. |
|--|----------|
| Viscomaster for in-line or capillary adapter                       | 93645    |
| Viscomaster Dynamic for in-line or capillary adapter, no density   | 93647    |
| Viscomaster Density for in-line or capillary adapter, no viscosity | 94359    |

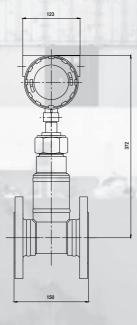
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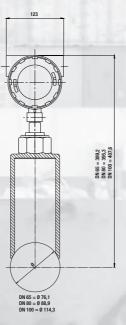
| Туре   | 1 | Art. No. |
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| Viscomaster In-line adapter DN 50, PN 10/16/40 |   | 94651    |
| Viscomaster In-line adapter JIS 50, 10 K       |   | 94652    |
| Viscomaster In-line adapter JIS 50, 16 K       |   | 94653    |
| Viscomaster Capillary adapter (VAF Viscotherm) |   | 94654    |
| Viscomaster Capillary adapter Nakakita)        |   | 94655    |
| Viscomaster Weld-on-Pipe adapter DN 65         |   | 94613    |
| Viscomaster Weld-on-Pipe adapter DN 80         |   | 94614    |
| Viscomaster Weld-on-Pipe adapter DN 100        |   | 94615    |
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### Retrofit of existing viscometer technologies

Aquametro AG now offers adapters to retrofit existing viscometer technologies with the Viscomaster series transmitters.







Viscomaster™ Capillary adapter (retrofit for VAF Viscosense) Viscomaster™ In-line adapter (retrofit for VAF Viscotherm or Nakakita) Viscomaster<sup>TM</sup> Weld-on-Pipe adapter (for DN >50mm or new buildings)

Contact Aquametro AG for further details.

# **Ordering information**

### Steam control valves

| Туре                                 | Art. No. | Туре                               | Art. No. |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|
| Steam valve JIS 15 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93882    | Steam valve DN 15, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93819    |
| Steam valve JIS 20 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93870    | Steam valve DN 20, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93829    |
| Steam valve JIS 25 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93872    | Steam valve DN 25, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93871    |
| Steam valve JIS 32 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93874    | Steam valve DN 32, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93873    |
| Steam valve JIS 40 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93876    | Steam valve DN 40, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93875    |
| Steam valve JIS 50 A, 10 K, 230 VAC  | 93878    | Steam valve DN 50, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 93877    |
| Steam valve JIS 65 A, 16 K, 230 VAC  | 94612    | Steam valve DN 65, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 94635    |
| Steam valve JIS 80 A, 16 K, 230 VAC  | 94637    | Steam valve DN 80, PN 16, 230 VAC  | 94636    |
| Steam valve JIS 100 A, 16 K, 230 VAC | 94639    | Steam valve DN 100, PN 16, 230 VAC | 94638    |

### Viscosity controller

| Type VC 220-LCD Visco Controller, 230 VAC,                              | <b>Art. No.</b> 94656                 |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| 2 Input (Visco Control + Display / Temp. Display)                       | J-1000                                |
| 2 Output Relay additional for alarm (4 Relay output in total), 4862 Hz; |                                       |
| 0 Output Analogue (420 mA)  |                                       |
| VC 211-LCD Viscosity Controller, 230 VAC,                               | 94791                                 |
| 2 Input (Visco Control + Display / Temp. Display)                       | 01101                                 |
| 1 Output Relay additional for alarm (3 Relay output in total), 4862 Hz; |                                       |
| 1 Output Analogue (420 mA)  |                                       |
| VC 221-LCD Visco Controller, 230 VAC,                                   | 94793                                 |
| 2 Input (Visco Control + Display / Temp. Display)                       |                                       |
| 2 Output Relay additional for alarm (4 Relay output in total), 4862 Hz; | Date of the latest                    |
| 1 Output Analogue (420 mA)  |                                       |
| VC 222-LCD Visco Controller, 230 VAC,                                   | 94792                                 |
| 2 Input (Visco Control + Display / Temp. Display)                       |                                       |
| 2 Output Relay additional for alarm (4 Relay output in total), 4862 Hz; |                                       |
| 2 Output Analogue (420 mA)  |                                       |
| VC 322-LCD Viscosity Controller, 230 VAC,                               | 94727                                 |
| 2 Input (switchable Visco Control + Display / Temp. Control + Display)  | A IN HEREIGNALES                      |
| 2 Output Relay additional for alarm (4 Relay output in total), 4862 Hz; | 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |
| 2 Output Analogue (420 mA)  |                                       |
| Power supply 115 VAC 4862 Hz or 24 VAC 4862 Hz or 24 VAC/DC             | on request                            |
| Temperatur sensor PT100   | 80393                                 |
| Temperatur pipe collar  | 81551                                 |
|   |                                       |

### Viscosity special price Package

| Art. No. |
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|          |
| 93645    |
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Aquametro Viscomaster Controller Package Option

- Viscosity Controller additional 1 relay and 1 analogue output

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