

# A new standard for Bayer liquor analysis



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#### analysis

BLAIR is Bayer Liquor Analysis by Infra-Red. It's a powerful technology for quantitatively analysing Bayer liquors which conveniently provides over twelve Bayer liquor parameters. BLAIR requires no messy titrations, no dilutions and no additional reagents. The older classical methods of analysis are time consuming and provide unreliable results if not constantly maintained. BLAIR gives repeatable and reliable results, whether you are measuring an occasional sample or analysing continuously.

#### The all-in-one system

BLAIR provides a wealth of chemical information that previously would have required several instruments. It provides this information at a lower cost and in far less time than current methods of Bayer liquor analysis.

A single BLAIR measurement provides:

- alumina total caustic
- total alkalinity

• TOC

- acetate
- oxalate • formate
- succinate chloride
- malonate sulfate
  - density

In less than five minutes BLAIR measures TOC, oxalate, acetate, formate, succinate and malonate. A relative measure of the oxidation and breakdown of organics between liquors can also be quickly assessed through the Borg value (a parameter unique to BLAIR).

#### **Advantages of BLAIR**

- Over twelve Bayer liquor parameters in less than five minutes
- Small sample volumes and no additional reagents needed
- Direct measurements over the whole Bayer liquor range
- Low capital cost and robust system
- No prior sample knowledge or dilution required
- Less on-going maintenance
- Applicable for laboratory based and on-line monitoring

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synth_4 Normal	Normal	WAITING						
synth_5 Normal	Normal	WAITING						
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## **BLAIR Specifications**

Measurement parameters	Total alumina (A), total caustic (C), total alkalinity (S), TOC, oxalate, acetate, formate, succinate, malonate, sulfate, chloride, density and the Borg value								
Sample volume	12 mL (automated system, 180 sample capacity, sample density <1.45 g/mL)								
Measurement time	<1.5 min (Rapid), ~2 min (Normal) & ~10 min (Precise)								
Accuracy#	А	0.9 g/L	TOC	1.0 g/L					
	С	1.6 g/L	oxalate	0.3 g/L					
	S	1.7 g/L	acetate	1.0 g/L					
	A/C	0.014	formate	0.4 g/L					
	C/S	0.014	succinate	0.9 g/L					
	Total Na	3.5 g/L	malonate	0.6 g/L					
	chloride	0.8 g/L	density	0.005 g/mL					
	sulfate	0.4 g/L							
<b>Precision</b>	А	0.3 g/L	TOC	0.2 g/L					
	С	0.5 g/L	oxalate	0.1 g/L					
	S	0.5 g/L	acetate	0.3 g/L					
	A/C	0.0008	formate	0.3 g/L					
	C/S	0.0012	succinate	0.2 g/L					
	Total Na	0.7 g/L	malonate	0.2 g/L					
	chloride	0.3 g/L	density	0.001 g/mL					
	sulfate	0.1 g/L							
Component	BLAIR FTIR unit	BLAIR Autosampler	BLAIR Electronics Unit	Blair Pump					
Dimensions WxDxH (mm)	300x400x250	285x490x510	170x227x60	203x267x203					
Weight (kg)	7	13.5	1	6.9					
Power Supply	100 – 240 VAC, 50 - 60 Hz								

# Root mean square error (RMSE) for Precise mode measurements on a validation set of sixty two Bayer liquors. Similar accuracy for Rapid and Normal mode measurements

^ Standard deviations for forty Precise mode measurements of the same stable spent Bayer liquor. Standard deviations for Rapid mode measurements are approximately twice the precision values given above. Standard deviations for Normal mode measurements are approximately one and a half times the precision values given above.



We are the original developer of BLAIR and are committed to its success.
We are also committed to increasing the efficiency of your Bayer liquor analyses. Our aim is to help you get the best from your alumina refinery
quickly, conveniently and at a low cost. Our PhD qualified R&D group have decades of experience in providing expert technical backup, support and training that is second to none. Please consider BLAIR, and contact us for more information about the BLAIR system, or to discuss your specific requirements.





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