

STABILIZOR T1

User Manual



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1 Introduction

Biological changes begin from the moment a tissue sample is removed from its native environment and, although conventional snap freezing may temporarily pause biological change, enzyme activity will return as a sample thaws during preparation for analysis.

Denator has developed an *additive-free heat-stabilization technology* that preserves the quality of biological tissue samples from moment of excision throughout the entire workflow.

Denator's heat-stabilization technology utilizes *rapid conductive heating* to generate a fast, homogenous thermal denaturation of proteins. This results in complete, permanent denaturation, and thereby inactivation, of all enzymes (such as proteases, peptidases, phosphatases) that could cause further biological changes to the tissue sample *ex vivo*.

Since the system is additive-free, meaning does not require any addition of chemical inhibitors, potential *interference with downstream analysis is removed*. Biomarkers, peptides and posttranslational modifications such as phosphorylated and acetylated proteins are preserved close to their *in vivo* state throughout the entire workflow.

After heat stabilization of either fresh or frozen tissue samples in the Stabilizor system, biological components can be extracted and analyzed using common buffers and techniques. Compatibility with a number of downstream analytical techniques has been verified, including mass spectrometry (e.g. phospho-shotgun, MALDI Imaging etc.), Western Blot with phospho-specific antibodies, 1D and 2D gels with phospho-specific stains and reversed phased protein arrays (RPPA).

For information on how the Stabilizor system can be utilized in different applications, please visit Denator's website www.denator.com or contact us at application@denator.com.



2 Safety information

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2.2 IMPORTANT USER INFORMATION

2.2.1 Intended use

Stabilizor T1 and all associated products from Denator AB are for research use only. Do not use in diagnostic procedures for clinical purposes.

2.2.2 Warning, caution and note definitions



Warning: A warning indicates that there is a risk of personal injury if the instructions are not followed. It is very important to address all safety issues stated in Warnings.



Caution: A caution indicates that there is a risk of damaging the instrument if the instructions are not followed. It is important to address all issues stated in Cautions in order to keep your equipment in good condition.



A note indicates important information for improving your results or facilitating your work.

2.2.3 Recycling



All electrical and electronic equipment must not be disposed as unsorted municipal waste and must be collected separately.

Please contact an authorized representative of the manufacturer for information concerning the decommissioning of equipment.

2.3 LIST OF WARNINGS



Warning: This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment, it might cause radio interference, in which case the user might be required to take appropriate measures.



Warning: No user serviceable parts inside. All repairs should be done by personnel authorized by Denator. Do not open any covers or replace parts unless specifically stated in the instructions.



Warning: Do not block the rear panel of the instrument. The power switch must always be easily accessible.



Warning: Hot parts inside! Do not remove the top cover unless the instrument has been turned off and allowed to cool down for 30 min.



Warning: Hazardous voltage! Stabilizer T1 contains mains voltage of up to 240 VAC. Disconnect power cord before removing the top cover.



Warning: Laser inside! The instrument must always be turned off before the top cover is removed.



Warning: Sharp needle. To avoid injury, take care when handling the needle device.



Warning: Ensure that all instrument site requirements are fulfilled before starting the instrument.

3 Stabilizor T1 instrument

3.1 MAIN PARTS

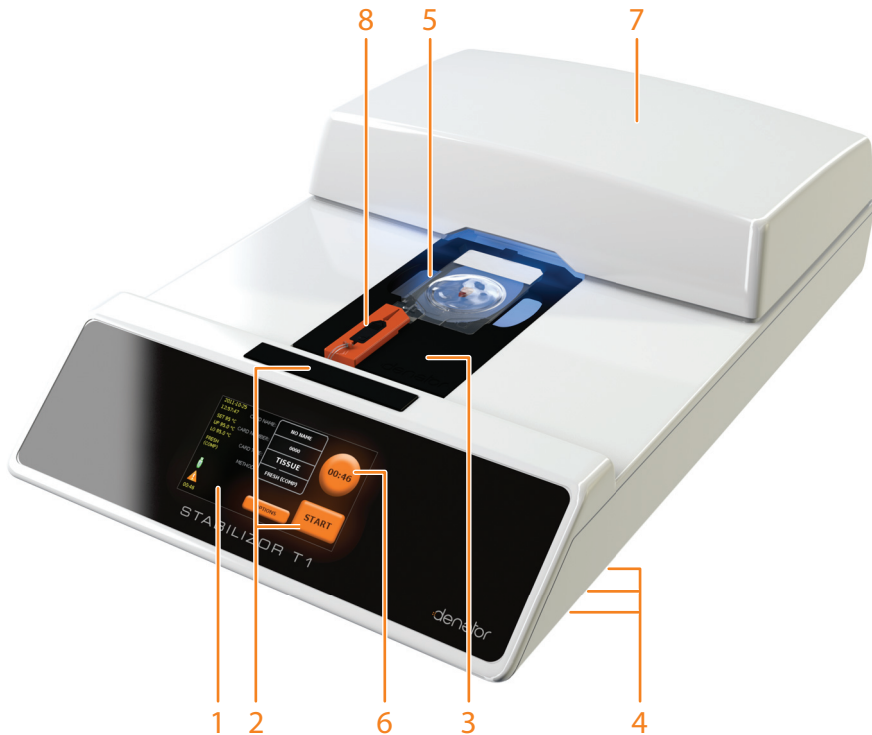


Figure 1. Main parts of Stabilizor T1

No.	Instrument part	No.	Instrument part
1	Touch screen	5	Illumination
2	Start buttons	6	Ex vivo button
3	Sample tray	7	Top cover
4	USB ports	8	Needle device

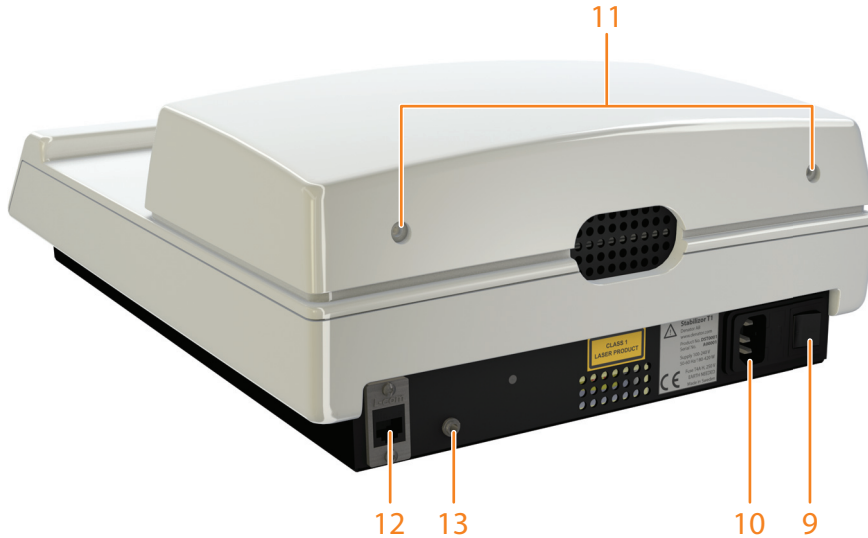


Figure 2. Main parts of Stabilizor T1.

No.	Instrument part	No.	Instrument part
9	Power switch	12	Ethernet connection
10	Power connection	13	Accessory connection
11	Top cover screws		

3.1.1 Functions and descriptions of main parts

Part	Function/description
Touch screen	Displays the control software and command buttons, see Section 4 for detailed information.
Ex vivo button	Resets/Restarts the <i>ex vivo</i> timer.
Start button	Starts the stabilization process.
Sample tray	Holds the Maintainer card and moves the Maintainer card into and out of the heating block compartment.
Maintainer card	Container for the sample during the heating process and after.
Needle parts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needle device – Penetrates the vacuum seal to remove air from the Maintainer card. Needle holder and Needle guide – Holds the needle device in the correct position. Needle shuttle lever – Moves the needle device into and out from the vacuum channel of the Maintainer card.

Part	Function/description
Heating compartment	Chamber for the heating blocks with a controlled temperature environment.
O-ring	Contact vacuum seal placed on the lower heating block for optimal contact between the Maintainer card and the lower heating block.
Illumination	<p>Indicates treatment process status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue – The instrument is ready and a Maintainer card can be placed in or removed from the sample tray. • Green – The sample cycle is processed. • Red – The instrument is initializing or busy.
USB port	<p>3 ports available.</p> <p>Used for USB flash drive to collect and store the treatment log file.</p> <p>Software updates are installed via a USB flash drive.</p>
Laser	Measure the thickness of the sample to ensure reproducibility by adjusting the stabilization time to optimize sample stabilization.
Accessory connection	Used for connection of external accessories.

3.2 INSTRUMENT SITE REQUIREMENTS

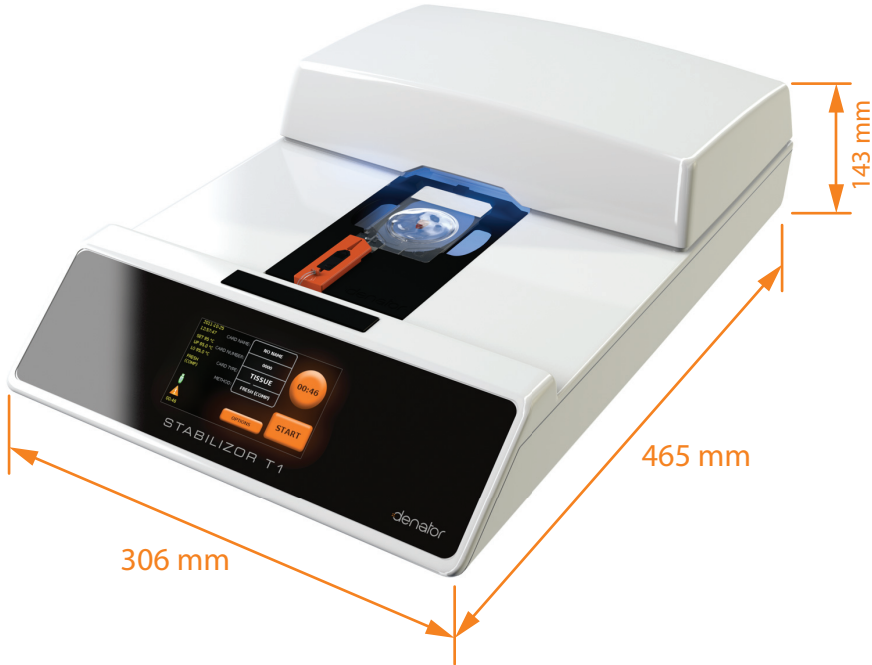


Figure 3. Dimensions of Stabilizer T1

For proper operation, Stabilizer T1 requires an ambient temperature of 10 to 40 °C and 80% maximum relative humidity. Make sure there is adequate air circulation around the instrument. For indoor use only.



Warning: Do not block the rear panel of the instrument. The power switch must always be easily accessible.

Power requirements

- Mains voltage: 100-240 VAc (auto range), 50-60 Hz.
- Connect only to grounded power outlets!
- Power consumption: 70 W (typical use), 800 W (max).
- Use a slow 20×5 mm ceramic fuse T4A H that holds for 250V.

3.3 INSTALLING THE INSTRUMENT

- 1 Unpack the instrument.
- 2 Place the instrument on an appropriate surface according to Section 3.2.
- 3 Insert the power cord into the instrument and into a grounded power outlet.
- 4 Turn the instrument on using the power switch.
- 5 The instrument will perform a self test. Wait until it is done.
- 6 The instrument is ready for use when the initial screen is lit.

3.4 MOVING THE INSTRUMENT



Caution: *The instrument can be damaged if the instructions for moving the instrument is not followed.*

- 1 Set the instrument to transport mode, see Section 4.3.2.
- 2 Turn the instrument off using the power switch.
- 3 Remove the cord from the power socket.
- 4 Move the instrument to the new location.
- 5 Insert the cord into a grounded power outlet.
- 6 Turn the instrument on using the power switch.

The instrument performs a self test and then stops in running mode, ready to start a run.

4 Software

4.1 GENERAL FUNCTION

Stabilizer T1 is controlled via the touch screen.

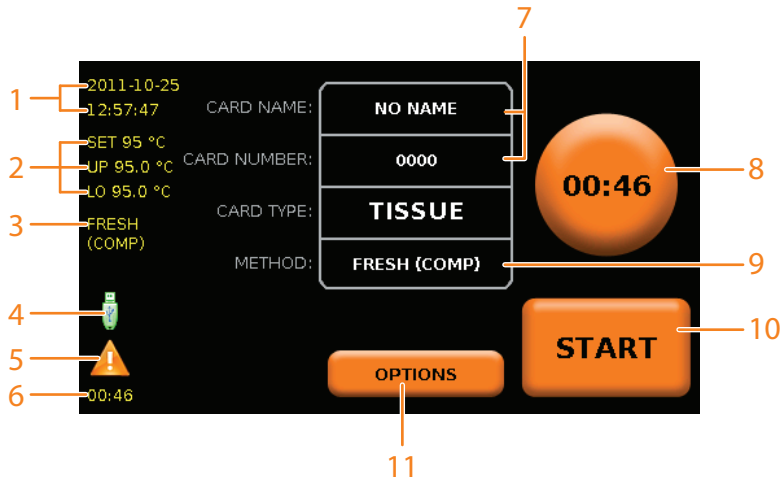


Figure 4. The touch screen of Stabilizer T1, main screen

No.	Description	No.	Description
1	Current date and time	7	Buttons with editable text
2	Heating block temperatures (set, upper and lower)	8	Ex vivo button with ex vivo time
3	Selected method	9	Method selection button
4	External USB flash drive connected	10	Start button
5	Error message symbol	11	Options button
6	Ex vivo time		

To edit card name or card number, press the button to display a key pad view. To select method, press the method selection button to display a new view with selection buttons. For detailed information, see Section 4.2.1.

The *ex vivo* button display the current *ex vivo* time. Press the button to reset the *ex vivo* time.

Press the error message symbol to display the error message.

To the left, there is current information: time, date, heating block temperature and selected method. All sample data is saved and can be viewed later, see Section 4.2.5.

Maintenance requests and failure messages are automatically displayed on screen when needed.

See additional information Section 4.3 and Section 6.

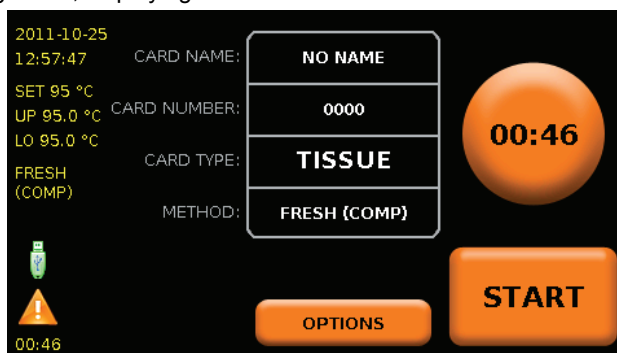
4.2 RUNNING MODE

In running mode, the instrument is ready for stabilizing samples.


To set the instrument in Running mode

If the instrument is not turned on:

- 1 Turn on the instrument (see Section 3.3). The instrument automatically enters Running mode, displaying the main screen.



- 2 Wait until the startup sequence has finished and the heating blocks have reached the correct temperature (normally 95 °C).

 *Stabilization cannot be performed until the set temperature of the heating blocks has been reached, as indicated by the text "WAIT" on the start button.*

4.2.1 Stabilization settings

There are three settings to be entered for each sample before starting a stabilization:

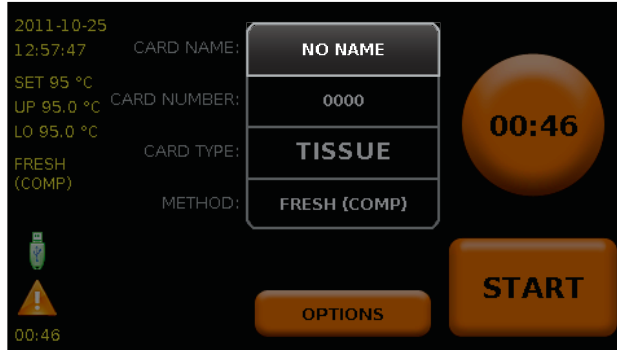
- **Sample name**
- **Card number**
- **Method**

Data is entered on the screen, via the key pad available in the software. To be able to enter data, the Stabilizor T1 must be in running mode.

The information is saved in the log file (see Section 4.2.5).

Enter sample name

- 1 Press the sample name text to open the keypad.



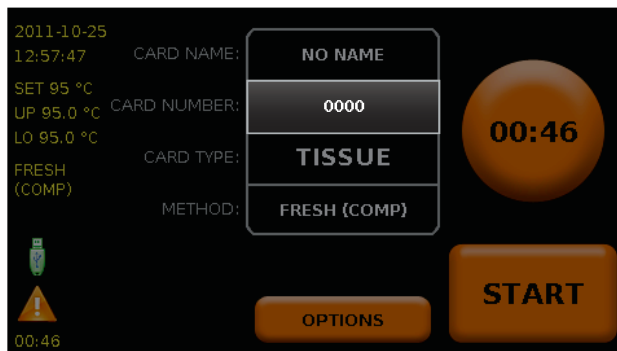
- 2 Enter the sample name. If required, press the **123#** selection button to be able to enter digits and symbols. Press **OK** to save the name and return to the main screen or press **NUMBER** to save name and go directly to entering the card number.



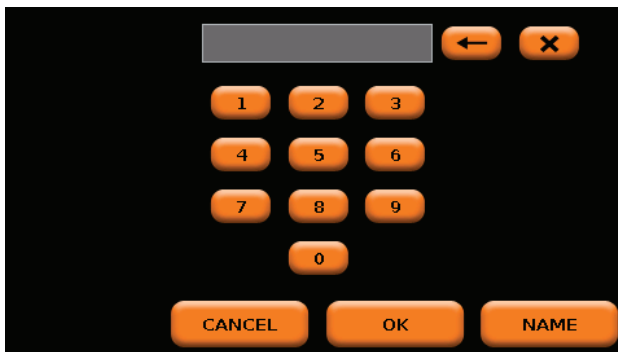
Enter card number

All Maintainor cards have room for customer IDs and/or bar codes.

- 1 Press the card number text to open the key pad.



- 2 Enter the card number and press **OK** to save the number and return to the main screen or press **NAME** to save number and go directly to enter card name.



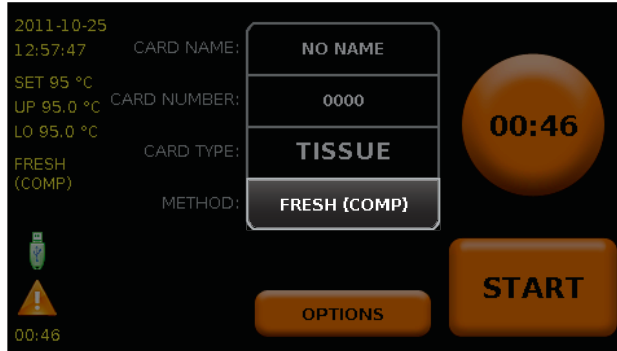
Once a sample is stabilized, the card number is automatically increased with 1 to simplify the settings for next sample.

Set method

There are five different stabilization methods and one method for vacuum treatment.

Method	Recommended use and description
QUICK FRESH (COMPRESS)	To be used for fresh tissue that does not need to keep its structure. The method includes automatic measurement of the sample and adjustment of the stabilization time for inactivation.
QUICK FROZEN (COMPRESS)	To be used for all tissue below +20 °C, down to -80 °C, that does not need to keep its structure. The method includes automatic measurement of the sample and adjustment of the stabilization time for inactivation.
FRESH (STRUCTURE PRESERVE)	To be used for fresh tissue that should maintain its structure, i.e. that must be minimally compressed. The method includes automatic measurement of the sample and adjustment of the stabilization time for inactivation.
FROZEN (STRUCTURE PRESERVE)	To be used for all tissue below +20 °C, down to -80 °C, that should maintain its structure, i.e. that must be minimally compressed. The method includes automatic measurement of the sample and adjustment of the stabilization time for inactivation.
CUSTOM	Manual mode where all parameters can be set by the user.
CUSTOM > VACUUM PACK	To be used for setting a sample under vacuum without heating. (Can be used before re-freezing previous stabilized samples)

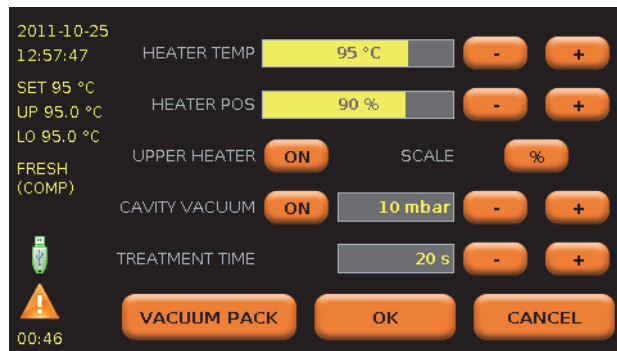
- 1 Press the method text to open the method selection dialog.



- 2 Select method and return to the main screen.



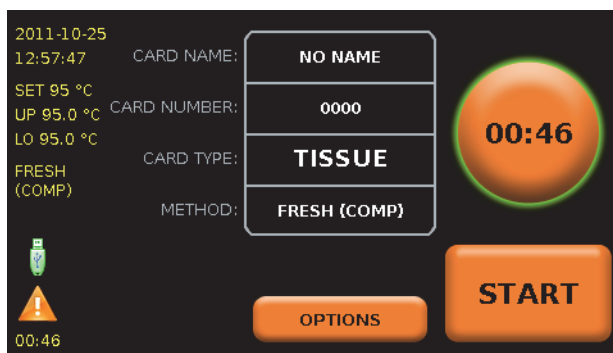
- 3 If **CUSTOM** is selected, continue with setting the parameters on the new screen before pressing **OK** to return to the main screen. In custom all parameters are set individually and no algorithms is present.



4.2.2 *Ex vivo* time

In this context, the *ex vivo* time is the time from the sacrifice of the experimental animal or the collection of a tissue sample until the sample is stabilized.

The *ex vivo* time is reset to zero by pressing the *ex vivo* button on the screen.



It is important to start the *ex vivo* time measurement just prior to the sacrifice of the animal or removal of the sample, whatever occurs first.

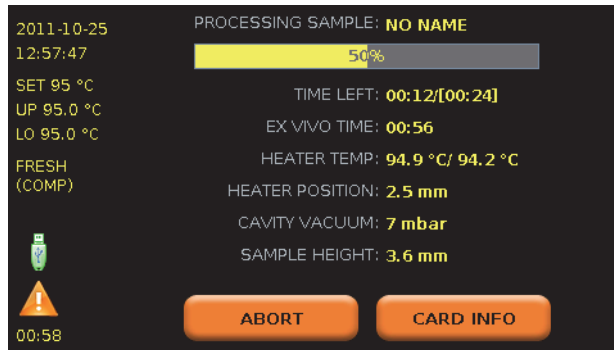
4.2.3 Start treatment

To start a sample run both the **START** button on the screen and the physical Start button can be used.



4.2.4 Sample treatment

During sample treatment the progress is shown on the screen.




Press **CARD INFO** to update card name and card number for the sample in process during sample treatment.

4.2.5 Log files

A log file including information on the samples are automatically saved to an external USB flash drive if inserted.

If no external USB flash drive is inserted into the instrument, the log file is saved on the internal USB flash drive until one is inserted. A large number of stabilization runs can be saved on the internal USB flash drive.

 *To minimize the risk of accidental loss of log-data due to any unexpected failure, always have an external USB flash drive inserted into the instrument.*

The log file, marked with the date (e.g. 2012-06-17.xls), is saved into a folder called **Denator**, created by the software. All runs during a day are saved into the same log file.

The log file includes the following data for each sample: Time, Sample name, Maintainer ID(s), *Ex vivo* time, Run time, SET Temperature, Actual Temperature, Vacuum, Sample height, Method used and Comments.

The log files are saved as Microsoft Excel spreadsheet (xls).

4.3 OPTIONS

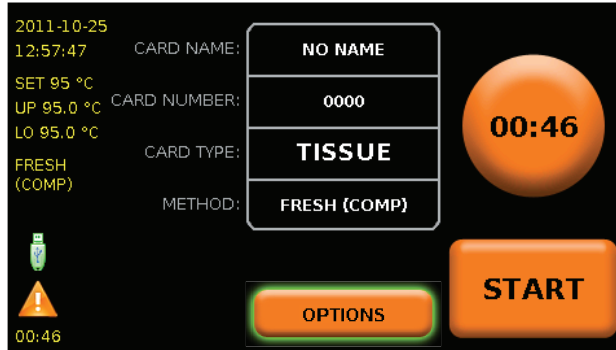


Figure 5. Press Options to get to the Options screen.

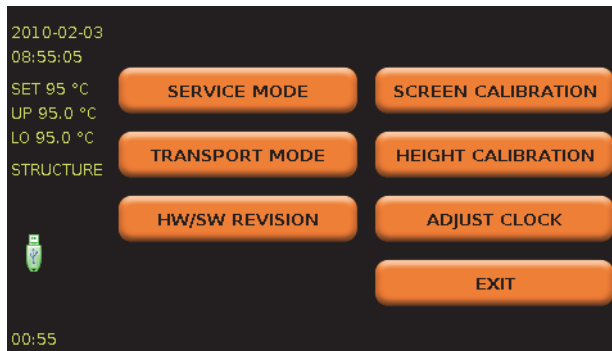


Figure 6. The Options screen.

Button	Function/description
SERVICE MODE	Use to clean the instrument (see Section 4.3.1) and/or change needle device (see Section 6.3) or O-ring (see Section 6.2).
TRANSPORT MODE	Use to move the instrument. See Section 4.3.2.
HW/SW REVISION	Use to check software version and to update the software. See Section 4.3.3.
SCREEN CALIBRATION	Use to align the screen.
HEIGHT CALIBRATION	Displays height calibration values.
ADJUST CLOCK	Use to adjust the time and date.
EXIT	Use to exit the Options screen.

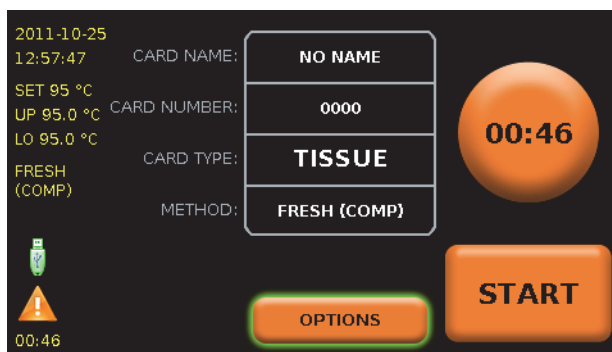
4.3.1 Service mode

In service mode the instrument is prepared for maintenance, e.g. change of the O-ring or replacing the needle (see Section 6). The upper heating block is raised to an extra high level and the sample tray is released. The instrument will not move any parts when in service mode. However, it is recommended to turn the instrument off after setting it into service mode.

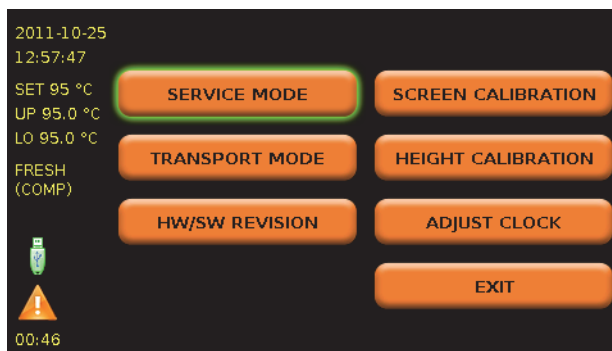
Service mode should also be used when cleaning is needed, or if something is dropped into the instrument.

To set the instrument in Service mode

- 1 From the main screen, press the **OPTIONS** button.



- 2 Press the **SERVICE MODE** button and follow the instructions on the screen.



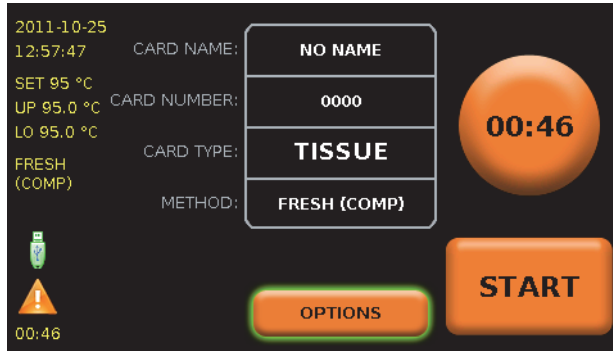
4.3.2 Transport mode

When the instrument needs to be moved, Transport mode should be used.

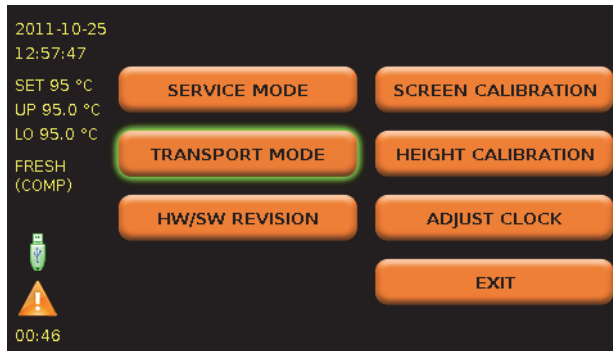
- ➔ *It is recommended that transport mode is used during longer storage periods to avoid damage to the sample tray and needle.*

To set the instrument in Transport mode

- 1 Place a closed, empty Maintainor Tissue card on the sample tray.
- 2 From the main screen, press the **OPTIONS** button.



- 3 Press the **TRANSPORT MODE** button.



- 4 Follow the instructions on the screen.
- 5 Move the instrument according to Section 3.4.

Storage

Stabilizer T1 should be stored in +10 to +40 °C and max 80% relative humidity.


4.3.3 Software upgrade

Software upgrades will be distributed by Denator.



Caution: Do NOT turn off the instrument during the upgrade as this may cause irreversible malfunction.



- 1 Remove any inserted USB flash drives before starting the upgrade.
- 2 Copy the program file [DST0001_SPxxxx.jar] to root level of a USB flash drive. Make sure the file is named [DST0001_SPxxxx.jar]. No un-zipping of the file is needed and no .zip extension should be added.
- 3 Insert the USB flash drive with the upgraded software.
- 4 Wait until the USB symbol appears on the screen  (approximately 10 seconds).
- 5 Press the **OPTIONS** button.
- 6 Press the **HW/SW REVISION** button. Document the current version of software.
- 7 Press the **UPDATE** button.
- 8 Let the installation run. Do NOT turn off the instrument during the update.
- 9 The installation is successfully completed when the text “Restart the instrument-update complete” appears on the screen.
- 10 Restart the instrument using the power switch.

5 Heat-stabilizing tissue samples


5.1 PREPARATIONS

5.1.1 Starting the instrument



Warning: Ensure that all instrument site requirements, including a grounded power outlet, are fulfilled before starting the instrument (see Section 3.2).

- 1 Insert a USB flash drive (for the log file) in a USB port.
- 2 Turn the instrument on using the power switch.
- 3 The system check is automatically performed. During the system check the illumination is first red, while the sample tray is moved in and out, and then changes to blue. The heating blocks are heated to the set temperature.

 *The sample tray can move unexpectedly.*

The system check and heating of the heating blocks will take 3 - 5 minutes, depending on available voltage. The main screen is displayed when the system check is finished.

5.1.2 Preparing the Maintainer card

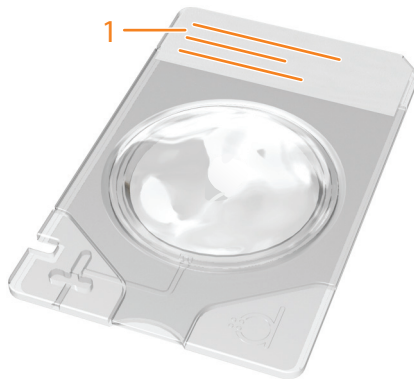


Figure 7. Maintainer card

- 1 Prepare the Maintainer card by writing the sample ID and card ID at (1) shown in Figure 7.

5.1.3 Preparing the Instrument

Enter settings for the run according to Section 4.2.1.

5.2 SAMPLE COLLECTION AND HEAT STABILIZATION

5.2.1 Sample collection

- 1 Open the Maintainor card fully one time to avoid unwanted closing of the card when loading the sample. Place the card depending on the sample type.

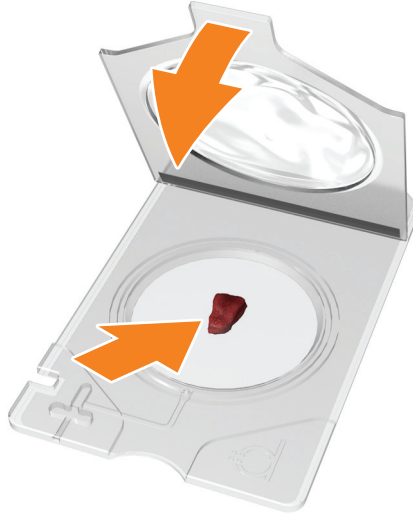


- Fresh sample: Place the Maintainor card directly in the Stabilizer T1 before collecting the sample. This will give the shortest *ex vivo* time
- Frozen sample: Place the Maintainor card on ice to keep the sample cold before the stabilization.

Caution: Do not put the Maintainor card into liquid nitrogen! The Maintainor card withstands temperatures down to -80°C .

- 2 Start the measurement of the *ex vivo* time just prior to sampling by pressing the *ex vivo* button on the screen and immediately continue with step 3.
- 3 Collect a sample of appropriate size.

- Put the sample in the center of the sample chamber of the Maintainer card.



- Close the Maintainer card by pressing the lid down. Ensure that the lid has sealed completely by gently pressing down the cover lid encircling the sample chamber using one or two fingers.



Caution: Do not press the inner edge of the cavity. The upper plastic can be damaged leading to leakage of air during the heating process.

5.2.2 Sample stabilization

Immediately start the heat-stabilization process:

- If not already done, place the Maintainer card in the sample tray.

- 7 Start the run by pressing the start button above the screen, or by pressing **START** on the screen.



- 8 During stabilization, air is evacuated from the card, the sample is moved automatically into the heating compartment and treated according to set parameters.
- 9 When the sample tray returns to the starting position, and the illumination turns green, remove the Maintainor card from the tray.
- 10 Check that there is vacuum in the sample compartment (no vacuum indicates need of needle device change or remounting of the needle device).
- 11 When the heat stabilization process is done, store the Maintainor card with the heat-stabilized sample at $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for long term storage or prepare sample for analysis.

Caution: Do not put the Maintainor card into liquid nitrogen! The Maintainor card can only withstand temperatures down to $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

- 12 The next sample, if prepared, can be heat stabilized as soon as the processed Maintainor card has been removed.

5.3 LOG FILES

Log files are automatically saved on the USB flash drive, see Section 4.2.5.

5.4 EXTRACTION OF PROTEINS FROM HEAT-STABILIZED TISSUE SAMPLES

To ensure the most efficient extraction of proteins from heat-stabilized tissue samples, the following must be observed:

- 1 Use a denaturing buffer ($>8\text{M}$ Urea, $>1\%$ SDS, $>6\text{M}$ GuHCl)

Buffers based on $>8\text{M}$ urea, $>6\text{M}$ GuHCl or $>1\%$ SDS have proven to be effective. When using SDS buffers, it is recommended to maximize their effectiveness by

adding heated buffer (>90 °C) to the sample, preferably followed by a second homogenization step using ultrasonication. Other components such as detergents and buffering agents can be added as long as the concentrations of the denaturing agents are not affected.

2 Use a buffer-to-sample ratio greater than 10 (>10 µl buffer/mg sample)

For maximum extraction efficiency it is important to add at least 10 times the amount of sample, i.e. 10 µl of buffer for each mg of sample.

3 Ensure thorough homogenization using ultrasonication, grinding or ball mill

Although heat-stabilized samples will usually homogenize easily, it is very important to ensure that the initial homogenization step is extremely thorough to facilitate the resolubilization of proteins. Softer tissue types, such as brain, can be homogenized using a microtip sonication rod, whereas a micropestle grinding or ball mill should be used for firmer tissue types such as liver or heart.

Specific protocols for heat stabilization, homogenization and extraction prior to LCMS or 2D-GE analysis are supplied with the Stabilizer Peptide Extraction Kit and Stabilizer 2D-GE Extraction Kit respectively.

Additional recommendations for other analytical downstream analysis can be retrieved at www.denator.com or via application@denator.com.

6 Maintenance

6.1 MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE

Service of Stabilizor T1 should be performed by service engineers from Denator. Contact information to Denator is provided on the back cover.

The following maintenance can be performed by the customer.

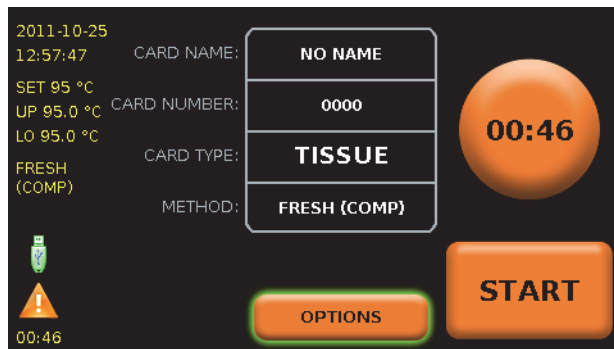
- Changing the O-ring including cleaning heat blocks (see Section 6.2)
- Changing the needle device (see Section 6.3)
- Cleaning the instrument (see Section 6.5)

The Stabilizor T1 should always be put into service mode (see Section 4.3.1) before performing any maintenance or cleaning.

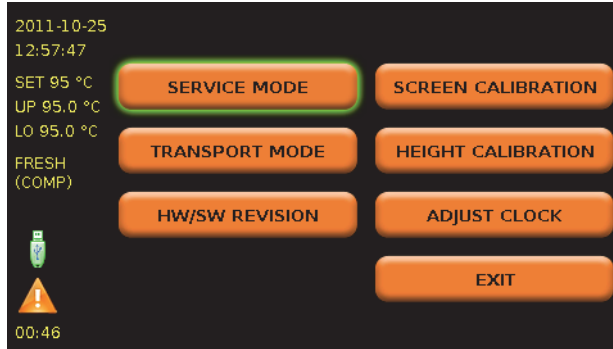
6.2 CHANGING THE O-RING

For optimal contact, and thereby heat transfer, between the lower heating block and the Maintainer card during stabilization, the space between the two parts, sealed by an O-ring, is evacuated during the stabilization.

- 1 With the Stabilizor T1 instrument turned on, press **OPTIONS** in the main screen.



- In next view, press **SERVICE MODE**.



The upper heating block will be lifted to an extra high level.

- Turn off the instrument using the Power switch (as instructed on the screen) and disconnect the mains cord.
- 4 Allow the heating block to cool for 30 minutes.**
- Remove the two screws on the back of the instrument using a Torx T20 tool.
- Lift off the top cover.



Warning: Hazardous voltage! Stabilizer T1 contains mains voltage of up to 240 V ac. Disconnect the power cord before removing the top cover.

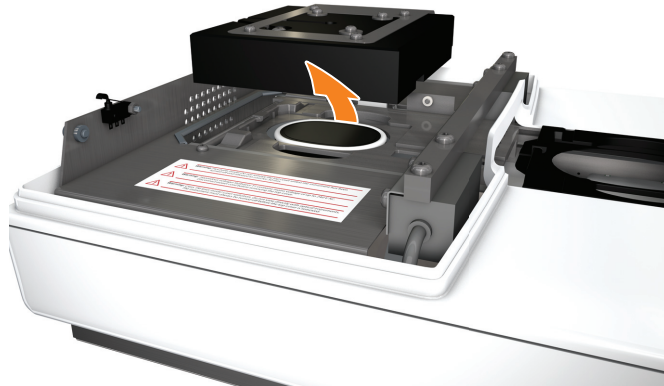


Warning: Laser inside! The instrument must always be turned off when the top cover is removed.



Warning: Hot parts inside! Do not remove the top cover unless the instrument has been turned off and allowed to cool down for 30 minutes.

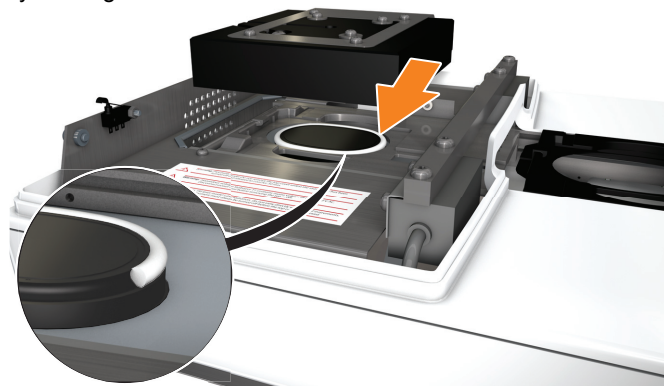
- 7 Remove the white O-ring.



- 8 Clean the heating blocks with a tissue moistened with 70% EtOH.



- 9 Put on a new O-ring. Make sure that the O-ring is not twisted and that it is fitted securely in the groove.



6.3 CHANGING THE NEEDLE DEVICE



Warning: Sharp needle. Take care when handling the needle device to avoid injury.

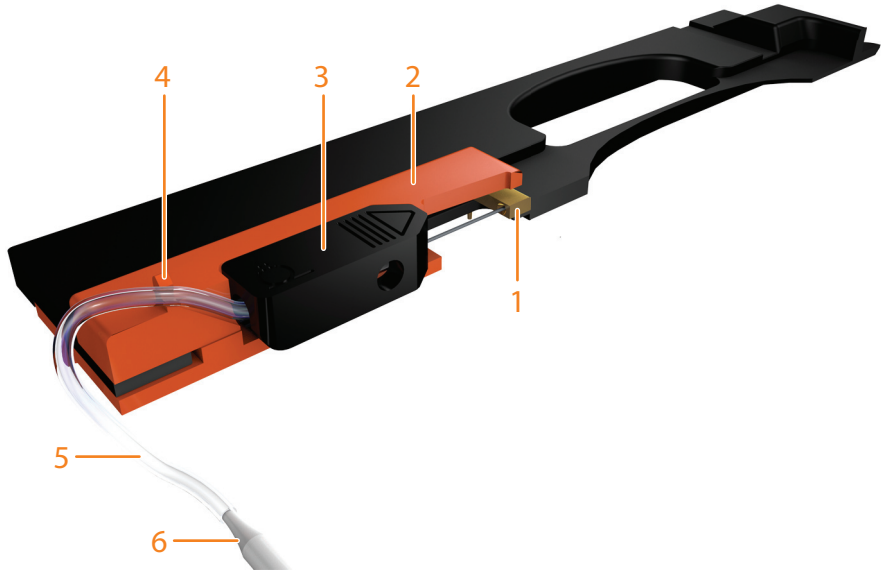


Figure 8. Needle overview

No.	Instrument part	No.	Instrument part
1	Needle guide	4	Tube interlock
2	Needle holder	5	Vacuum tube
3	Needle device	6	Vacuum connection

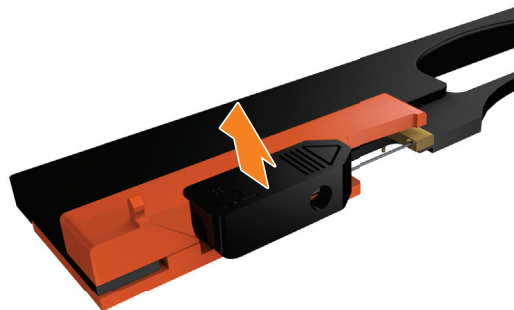
- 1 Make sure that there is NOT a Maintainer card in the sample tray.
- 2 Set the instrument to Service mode by pressing **OPTIONS** and then **SERVICE MODE**, see Section 4.3.1.
- 3 Turn off the instrument.

- 4 Push the sample tray gently forward.



Caution: It is only possible to move the sample tray if the instrument was set to Service mode before it was turned off.

- 5 Remove the tube from the tube interlock and the vacuum connection.
- 6 Carefully remove the needle device in the tube direction.



- 7 Dispose of the needle device in accordance with local regulations.
- 8 Fit the top of the new needle into the hole of the needle guide and gently insert the needle device into the needle holder.

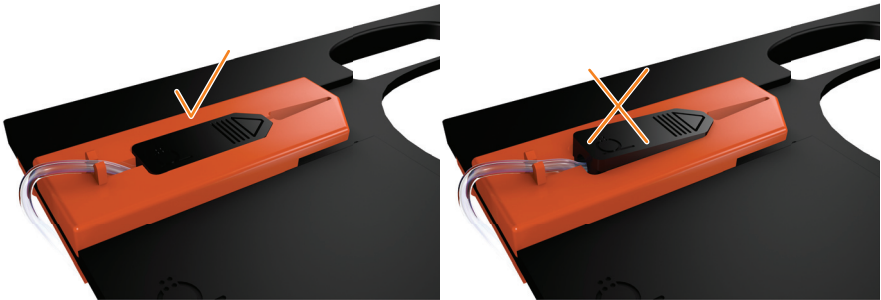
- ▶ Make sure that the needle is inside the hole of the needle guide.




- 9 Hold down the needle device while snapping the vacuum tube into the tube interlock.



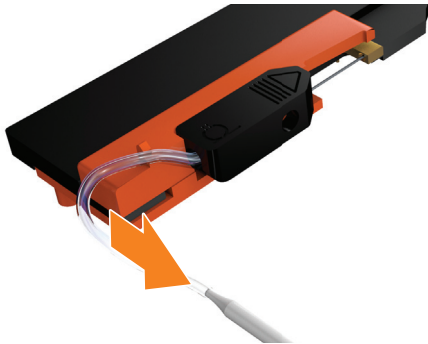
- 10 Make sure that the needle device is flush with the needle holder.



 *Correctly fitted needle device to the left.*

Otherwise re-fit the tube into the tube interlock so a downward pressure is applied to the needle device.

- 11 Fit the tube into the vacuum connection.



6.4 REPLACE THE BATTERY

- 1 Turn the instrument off.
- 2 Remove the rubbergasket which gives access to the battery on the internal PC.



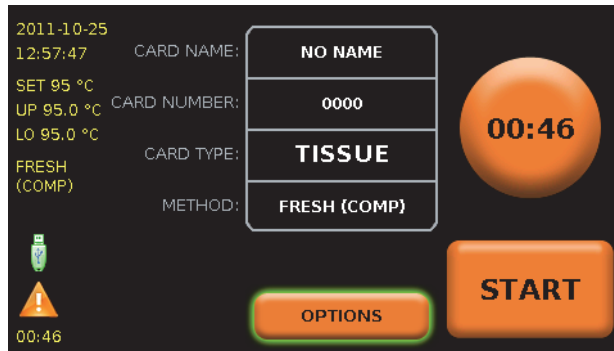
- 3 Exchange the battery with a similar (Panasonic CR2032).
- 4 Attach the rubber gasket again.
- 5 Turn the instrument on and adjust the date and time under **OPTIONS**.

6.5 CLEANING THE INSTRUMENT

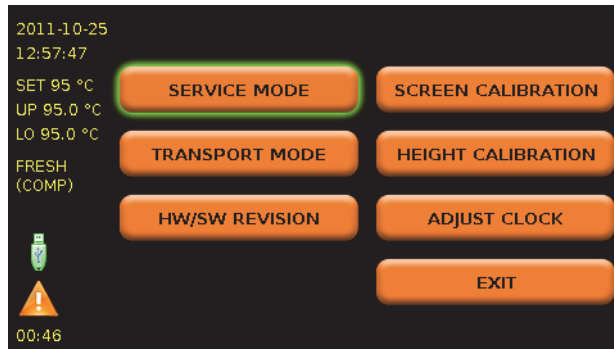
If the instrument or area under the sample tray needs to be cleaned, set the instrument in service mode, see also Section 4.3.1.

With the instrument on

- 1 With the instrument on, press **OPTIONS** in the main screen.



- 2 In next view, press **SERVICE MODE**.



- 3 Wipe the area under the sample tray with a tissue moistened with 70% EtOH.
- 4 If required, clean the outside of the instrument as well.
- 5 Follow the instructions on screen to return to running mode.

With the instrument turned off

- ➔ *It is only possible to move the sample tray if the instrument was set to Service mode before it was turned off.*



Caution: Before other types of cleaning agents are to be used for cleaning or decontamination, contact Denator for recommendations and compatibility.

7 Diagnostics

7.1 ERRORS DETECTED DURING STARTUP TESTS

All errors in this category will be shown after the self test is completed and can also be displayed from the status panel by pressing the error message symbol later.

Error code	Explanation
100	Contact Vacuum Air flow from the lower heatblock is obstructed. Restart the instrument. Contact service if error remains.
101 102 117	Vacuum system Cavity vacuum sensors are not performing correctly. Set the instrument in transport mode and restart the instrument. Contact service if error remains.
104	Backup battery Battery power is too low to keep the clock settings between startups. Replace battery, see Section 6.4 for instructions.
105	Old software The software has not been updated during the last 10 months. Check the current version under [OPTIONS] [HW/SW] and compare with latest version at www.denator.com .
106 107 108 113 115 116	Card shuttle Card shuttle sensors failed and are therefore not performing correctly. Contact service.
110 114	Measurement Height measurement system failed and is not performing correctly. Contact service.
109	Start button Physical Start button was not recognized during startup. The function is disabled until next restart. Note that Start is still available on the screen. Contact service if error remains after restart.
111	Needle Needle obstructed. Inspect needle for obstructions and damage. See Section 6.3 for instructions on how to exchange the needle. Restart instrument after replacement, and make a blank run with a new Maintainer card. Contact service if error remains after exchange and startup.

7.2 ERRORS DETECTED DURING TREATMENT TESTS

All errors in this category will be shown when they are detected and are saved in the log file entry for the treatment that was affected.

Error code	Explanation
200	<p>Contact vacuum</p> <p>The contact vacuum holding the Maintainor card in position at treatment has not been reached, hence the sample heating could have been affected. A possible cause is a damaged Maintainor card. Rerun current sample in a new Maintainor card. If problem remains exchange the O-ring. Contact service if error remains after exchange.</p>
201	<p>Cavity vacuum</p> <p>The air evacuation in the cavity failed or was too low. A possible cause is a leaking Maintainor card, either from damaged top foil or from improper closing. Rerun current sample in a new Maintainor card to avoid undertreatment. Contact service if error remains.</p>
202	Card Shuttle
204	<p>Card shuttle system did not reach travel positions at the expected time. Check for obstacles and rerun sample. Contact service if error remains.</p>
203	<p>Sample size</p> <p>The sample size is above the specified size. Contact Denator application specialist for recommendations on large sample treatment.</p>
205	<p>Heating System</p> <p>Upper heater did not reach the calculated position. Rerun current sample to avoid undertreatment. Contact service if error remains.</p>

7.3 ERRORS DETECTED DURING POST TREATMENT TESTS

All errors in this category will be shown when they are detected and by pressing the error message symbol later.

Error code	Explanation
300	<p>Needle</p> <p>Needle obstructed. Inspect needle for obstructions and damage. See Section 6.3 for instructions on how to exchange the needle. Restart instrument after replacement, and make a blank run with a new Maintainor card. Contact service if error remains after exchange and startup.</p>

7.4 ERRORS DETECTED DURING PERIODIC TEST WHEN NO TREATMENT IS RUNNING

All errors in this category can also be displayed from the status panel by pressing the error message symbol.

Error code	Explanation
400	Heating system
401	One of the heating system sensors has reported values out of specification and is not performing correctly. Restart instrument to reset sensors. Contact service if error remains.
402	
403	Instrument temperature Temperature inside instrument is too high. Shut off the instrument to cool down. Check that the ambient temperature is within the specification. Restart the instrument. Contact service if error remains.

8 Technical specification

Stabilizor T1

Dimensions	465×306×143 mm (L×W×H) (see also Figure 3)
Net weight	6.7 kg
Mains power requirements	100-240 V/50-60 Hz
Fuses	T4A H, 250V
Battery	Úá æ [} & C R2032
Power consumption	70 W (typical), 800 W (max)
Ambient temperature	+10 to +40 °C
Maximum relative humidity	80% non-condensing
Touch screen dimensions	4.3"
Vacuum	2 - 30 mbar underpressure applied to Maintainor card
Noise	45 dB(A)
Laser	Class 1 laser
Embedded processor	1 GHz x86, 1 GB RAM Flash based solid state hard drive Linux base open source software

9 License information

License texts referenced below, are included on built in memory stick and at:

LICENCE_GPL2.txt

- <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/old-licenses/gpl-2.0.html>

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- <http://users.frii.com/jarvi/rxtx/license.html>

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- <http://java.sun.com/javase/6/jdk-6u3-license.txt>

Component - IO Controller Firmware

The contained firmware of this product uses GPL 2.0 and LGPL 2.1 licenced components and is itself licenced under GPL 2.0 licence.

Full licence text available on built-in memory card and at <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/old-licenses/gpl-2.0.html>

Licences:

* Interrupt UART library with receive/transmit circular buffers (GPL 2.0)

- <http://homepage.hispeed.ch/peterfleury/uartlibrary.zip>

- LICENCE_GPL2.txt* I2C interface using AVR Two-Wire Interface (TWI) hardware (GPL 2.0)

- <http://www.procyonengineering.com/embedded/avr/avrilib/avrilib.zip>

- LICENCE_GPL2.txt

Component - OS

The OS of this product uses GPL licensed software.

Licences:

* OS Puppylinux (GPL 2.0, GPL 3.0, BSD)

- <http://puppylinux.org/>

- LICENCE_GPL2.txt, LICENCE_GPL3.txt

Component - GUI

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* RXTX (LGPL 2.1 & Extensions)

- <http://rxtx.qbang.org>

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* JAVA (Java)

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* Java Excel API (LGPL 2.1+)

- <http://jexcelapi.sourceforge.net/>

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