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1 Introduction

1.1 The Titrando system

The Titrando is the heart of the modular Titrando system. Operation is carried out either by Touch Control with a touch-sensitive screen ("stand-alone titrator") or by a computer with a corresponding software.

A Titrando system can contain numerous kinds of a variety of instruments. The following figure provides an overview of the peripheral devices you can connect to the 888 Titrando.

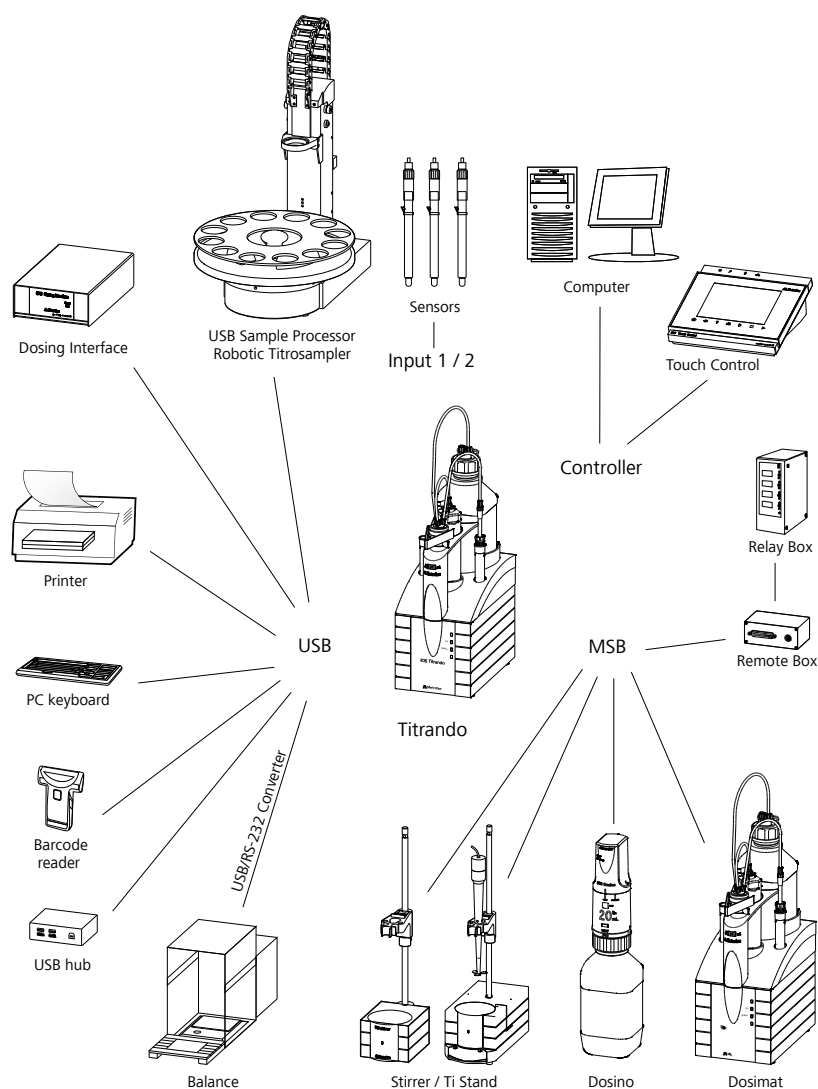


Figure 1 The Titrando system



Up to three control instruments (Titrandos, Dosing Interface, USB Sample Processor, etc.) can be controlled via USB connection during operation with the 900 Touch Control.

You can request information on special applications in the "Application Bulletins" and "Application Notes", available free of charge through the responsible Metrohm representative. Various monographs on the subjects of titration techniques and electrodes are also available.

Updating the device software is described in the Help for the corresponding PC software.

1.2 Instrument description

The 888 Titrando has the following characteristics:

- **Operation**

Operation is carried out by means of a touch-sensitive Touch Control or with high-performance PC software.

- **Dosing**

An internal dosing drive for exchange units.

- **MSB connectors**

Four MSB connectors (Metrohm Serial Bus) for connecting dosing devices (Dosimat with exchange unit or Dosino with dosing unit), stirrers, titration stands and Remote Boxes.

- **USB connectors**

Two USB connectors, through which devices such as printers, PC keyboards, barcode readers or additional control instruments (USB Sample Processor, Titrando, Dosing Interface, etc.) can be connected.

- **Measuring interface**

One measuring input each for:

- a potentiometric electrode (pH, metal or ion-selective electrode)
- a separate reference electrode
- a temperature sensor (Pt1000 or NTC)
- a polarizable electrode
- an iConnect (measuring interface for electrodes with integrated data chip, so-called iTrodes)

1.3 Titration modes – Measuring modes – Dosing commands

The 888 Titrande supports the following titration modes, measuring modes and dosing commands:

▪ DET

Dynamic equivalence point titration. The reagent addition is carried out in variable volume steps.

Measuring modes:

- **pH** (pH measurement)
- **U** (potentiometric voltage measurement)
- **Ipol** (voltametric measurement with selectable polarization current)
- **Upol** (amperometric measurement with selectable polarization voltage)

▪ MET

Monotonic equivalence point titration. The reagent addition is carried out in constant volume steps.

Measuring modes:

- **pH** (pH measurement)
- **U** (potentiometric voltage measurement)
- **Ipol** (voltametric measurement with selectable polarization current)
- **Upol** (amperometric measurement with selectable polarization voltage)

▪ SET

Endpoint titration at one or two specified endpoints.

Measuring modes:

- **pH** (pH measurement)
- **U** (potentiometric voltage measurement)
- **Ipol** (voltametric measurement with selectable polarization current)
- **Upol** (amperometric measurement with selectable polarization voltage)

▪ MEAS

The following measuring modes can be selected for measurements:

- **pH** (pH measurement)
- **U** (potentiometric voltage measurement)
- **Ipol** (voltametric measurement with selectable polarization current)
- **Upol** (amperometric measurement with selectable polarization voltage)
- **T** (temperature measurement)



- CAL

Electrode calibration.

Measuring mode:

- **pH** (calibration of pH electrodes)

- **Dosing commands**

The following commands for dosing can be selected:

- **PREP** (rinsing the cylinder and tubings of an exchange unit or dosing unit)
- **EMPTY** (emptying the cylinder and tubings of a dosing unit)
- **ADD** (dosing a specified volume)

1.4 About the documentation





CAUTION

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.

1.4.1 Symbols and conventions

The following symbols and formatting may appear in this documentation:

(5-12)	<p>Cross-reference to figure legend</p> <p>The first number refers to the figure number, the second to the instrument part in the figure.</p>
<p>1</p>	<p>Instruction step</p> <p>Carry out these steps in the sequence shown.</p>
<p>Method</p>	<p>Dialog text, parameter in the software</p>
<p>File ► New</p>	<p>Menu or menu item</p>
<p>[Next]</p>	<p>Button or key</p>
	<p>WARNING</p> <p>This symbol draws attention to a possible life-threatening hazard or risk of injury.</p>
	<p>WARNING</p> <p>This symbol draws attention to a possible hazard due to electrical current.</p>



WARNING

This symbol draws attention to a possible hazard due to heat or hot instrument parts.



WARNING

This symbol draws attention to a possible biological hazard.



CAUTION

This symbol draws attention to possible damage to instruments or instrument parts.



NOTE

This symbol highlights additional information and tips.

1.5 Safety instructions

1.5.1 General notes on safety



WARNING

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

This instrument has left the factory in a flawless state in terms of technical safety. To maintain this state and ensure non-hazardous operation of the instrument, the following instructions must be observed carefully.

1.5.2 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.

Mains voltage



WARNING

An incorrect mains voltage can damage the instrument.

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

Protection against electrostatic charges



WARNING

Electronic components are sensitive to electrostatic charges and can be destroyed by discharges.

Do not fail to pull the mains cable out of the mains connection socket before you set up or disconnect electrical plug connections at the rear of the instrument.

1.5.3 Working with liquids



CAUTION

Periodically check all system connections for leaks. Observe the relevant regulations in respect to working with flammable and/or toxic fluids and their disposal.

1.5.4 Flammable solvents and chemicals

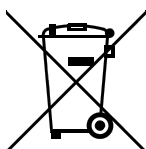


WARNING

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.

1.5.5 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.

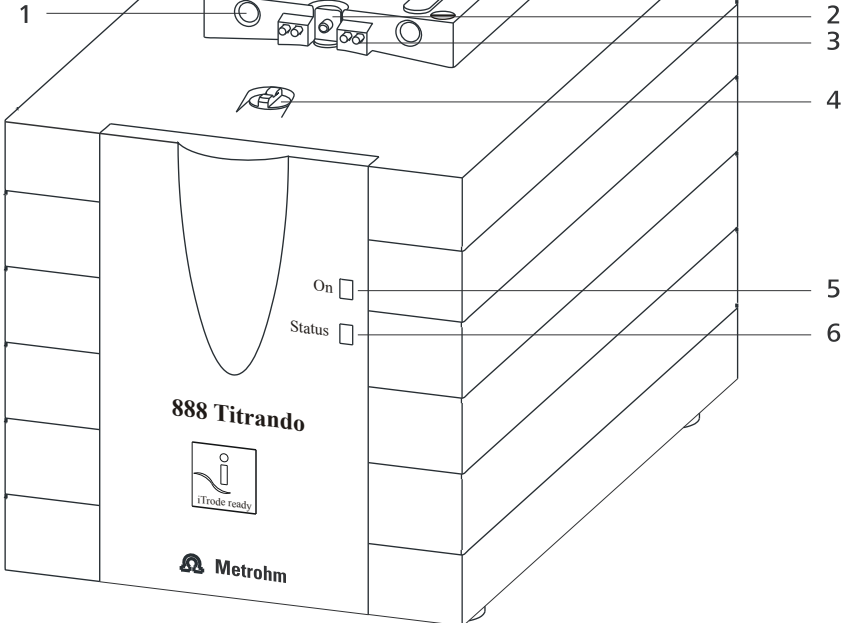


Figure 2 Front 888 Titrando

1 Guide openings For centering the exchange unit.	2 Piston rod Moves the piston of the exchange unit up and down.
3 Contact pins For the data chip.	4 Coupling For switching the flat stopcock.
5 "On" LED Lights up when the Titrand is ready for operation.	6 "Status" LED Shows the current status of the internal dosing drive.

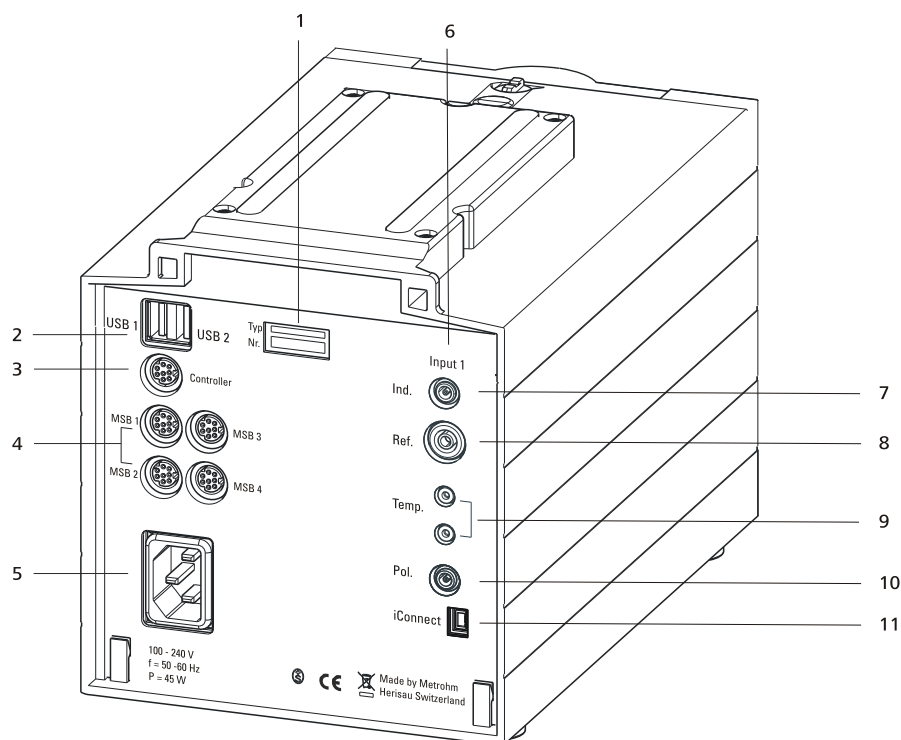


Figure 3 Rear 888 Titrand

1 Type plate

Contains specifications concerning supply voltage, instrument type and serial number.

3 Connector (Controller)

For connecting a Touch Control or a PC with installed PC software. Mini DIN, 9-pin.

5 Power socket**7 Electrode connector (Ind.)**

For connecting pH, metal or ion-selective electrodes with integrated or separated reference electrode. Socket F.

9 Temperature sensor connector (Temp.)

For connecting temperature sensors (Pt1000 or NTC). Two B sockets, 2 mm.

11 Electrode connector (iConnect)

For connecting electrodes with integrated data chip (iTrodes).

2 USB connector (USB 1 and USB 2)

USB ports (type A) for connecting printer, keyboard, barcode reader, additional Titrando, USB Sample Processor, etc.

4 MSB connector (MSB 1 to MSB 4)

Metrohm Serial Bus. For connecting external dosing devices, stirrers or Remote Boxes. Mini DIN, 9-pin.

6 Measuring interface 1 (Input 1)**8 Electrode connector (Ref.)**

For connecting reference electrodes, e.g. Ag/AgCl reference electrode. Socket B, 4 mm.

10 Electrode connector (Pol.)

For connecting polarizable electrodes, e.g. double Pt wire electrodes. Socket F.

3 Installation

3.1 Setting up the instrument

3.1.1 Packaging

The instrument is supplied in highly protective special packaging together with the separately packed accessories. Keep this packaging, as only this ensures safe transportation of the instrument.

3.1.2 Checks

Immediately after receipt, check whether the shipment has arrived complete and without damage by comparing it with the delivery note.

3.1.3 Location

The instrument has been developed for operation indoors and may not be used in explosive environments.

Place the instrument in a location of the laboratory which is suitable for operation, free of vibrations, protected from corrosive atmosphere, and contamination by chemicals.

The instrument should be protected against excessive temperature fluctuations and direct sunlight.

3.2 Connecting a controller

3.2.1 Operation

Two different versions are available for operating the 888 Titrand:

- A Touch Control with touch-sensitive screen. It forms a "stand-alone instrument" together with the 888 Titrande.
- A computer enables operation of the 888 Titrande with the help of a PC software, e.g. *tiamo*.



CAUTION

Take care to ensure that the power supply cable is pulled out of the power socket before either setting up or disconnecting connections between the instruments.

3.2.1.1 Connecting a Touch Control



The plug is protected against accidental disconnection of the cable by means of a pull-out protection feature. If you wish to pull out the plug, you will first need to pull back the outer plug sleeve marked with arrows.

Connect the Touch Control as follows:

- 1 ■ Insert the plug of the Touch Control connection cable into the **Controller** socket.

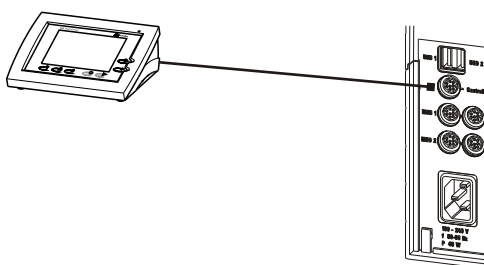


Figure 4 Connecting the Touch Control

- 2 ■ Connect the MSB devices (see Chapter 3.3, page 14).
- Connect the USB devices (see Chapter 3.4, page 18).

- 3** ■ Connect the Titrando to the power supply.

- 4** ■ Switch on the Touch Control.

The Touch Control power supply is supplied through the Titrando. Automatic system tests are performed on both instruments at the time of activation. The **On** LED on the front of the Titrando lights up when the system test has been completed and the instrument is ready for operation.



CAUTION

The Touch Control must be shut down properly by deactivation with the power switch on the rear of the instrument before the power supply is interrupted. If this is not done, then there is a danger of data loss. Because of the fact that the power supply for the Touch Control is provided through the Titrand, you must never disconnect the Titrand from the power supply (e.g. by deactivating with a connector strip) before you have deactivated the Touch Control.

If you would prefer not to position the Touch Control directly next to the Titrand, then you can lengthen the connection with the 6.2151.010 cable. The maximum connection length permitted is 5 m.

3.2.1.2 Connecting a computer

The 888 Titrando requires a USB connection to a computer in order to be able to be controlled by a PC software. Using a 6.2151.000 controller cable, the instrument can be connected directly, either to a USB socket on a computer, to a connected USB hub or to a different Metrohm control device.

You need administrator rights for the installation of driver software and control software on your computer.

Cable connection and driver installation

A driver installation is required in order to ensure that the 888 Titrando is recognized by the PC software. To accomplish this, you must comply with the procedures specified. The following steps are necessary:

1 Installing the software

- Insert the PC software installation CD and carry out the installation program directions.
- Exit the program if you have started it after the installation.

2 Establishing the cable connections

- Connect all peripheral devices to the instrument, *see Chapter 3.3, page 14* and *see Chapter 3.4, page 18*.
- Connect the instrument to the power supply if you have not already done this.

The "On" LED on the 888 Titrando is not yet illuminated!

- Connect the instrument to a USB connector (Type A) of your computer (see manual of your computer). The 6.2151.000 cable is used for this purpose.

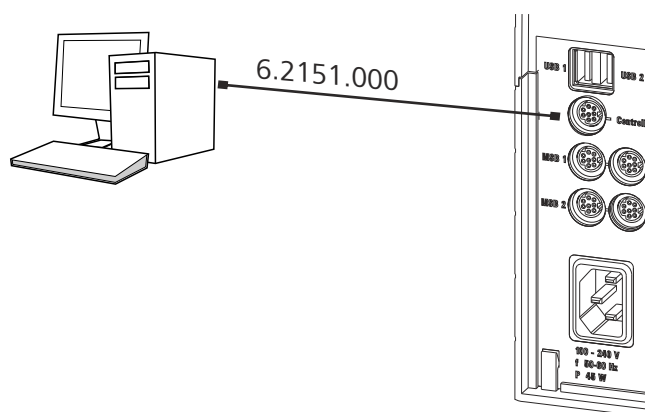


Figure 5 Connecting the computer

The instrument is recognized. Depending on the version of the Windows operating system used, the driver installation proceeds differently afterwards. Either the necessary driver software is installed automatically or an installation wizard is started.

3 Follow the instructions of the installation wizard.

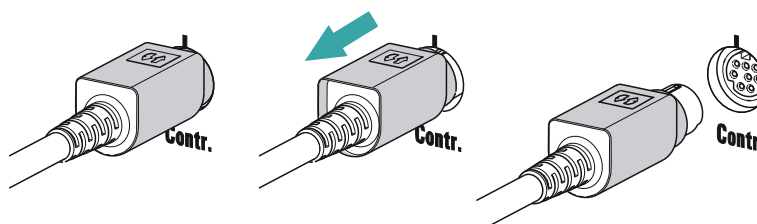
The "On" LED on the 888 Titrand lights up when the driver installation has been completed and the instrument is ready for operation.

If problems should occur during installation, contact your company's IT support team.



NOTE

The plug on the instrument end of the 6.2151.000 controller cable is protected against accidental disconnection by means of a pull-out protection feature. If you wish to pull out the plug, you will first need to pull back the outer plug sleeve marked with arrows.



Registering and configuring the instrument in the PC software

The instrument must be registered in the configuration of your PC software. Once that has been done, you can then configure it according to your requirements. Proceed as follows:

1 Setting up the instrument

- Start the PC software.
The instrument is automatically recognized. The configuration dialog for the instrument is displayed.
- Make configuration settings for the instrument and its connectors.

More detailed information concerning the configuration of the instrument can be found in the documentation for the respective PC software.

3.3 Connecting MSB devices

In order to connect MSB devices, e.g. stirrers or dosing devices, Metrohm instruments are equipped with up to a maximum of four connectors on what is referred to as the *Metrohm Serial Bus* (MSB). Various kinds of peripheral devices can be connected in sequence (in series, as a "daisy chain") at a single MSB connector (8-pin Mini DIN socket) and controlled simultaneously by the respective control instrument. In addition to the connection cable, stirrers and the Remote Box are each equipped with their own MSB socket for this purpose.

The following figure provides an overview of the instruments that can be connected to an MSB socket, along with a number of different cabling variations.

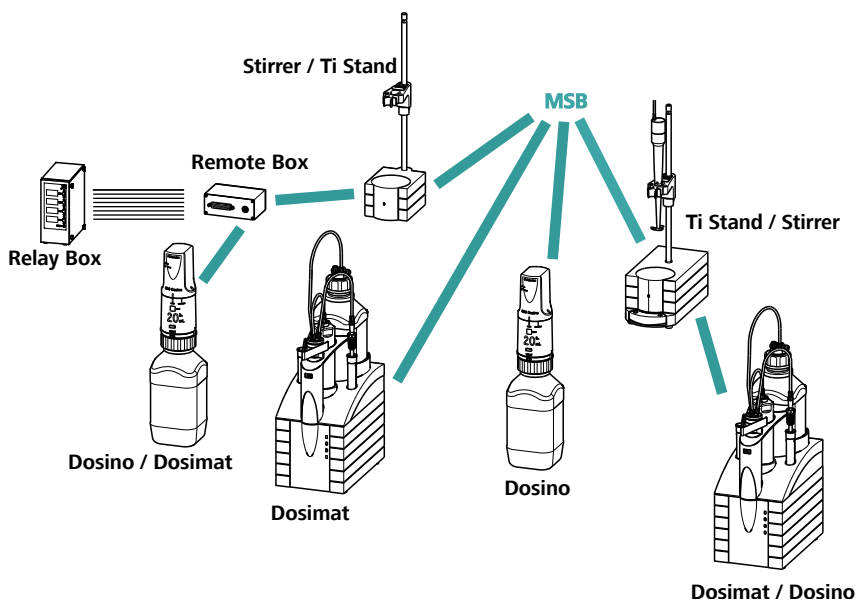


Figure 6 MSB connections

The control instrument determines which peripheral devices are supported.



- Only one device of the same type can be used at a single MSB connector at one time.
- Type 700 Dosino and 685 Dosimat dosing devices cannot be connected together with other MSB instruments on a shared connector. These dosing devices must be connected separately.



MSB connections can be extended with the 6.2151.010 cable. The maximum connection length permitted is 15 m.

Three dosing devices can be connected to the instrument (**MSB 2 to MSB 4**).



The types of dosing devices that are supported are:

- 800 Dosino
- 700 Dosino
- 805 Dosimat
- 685 Dosimat

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- Start the control software.

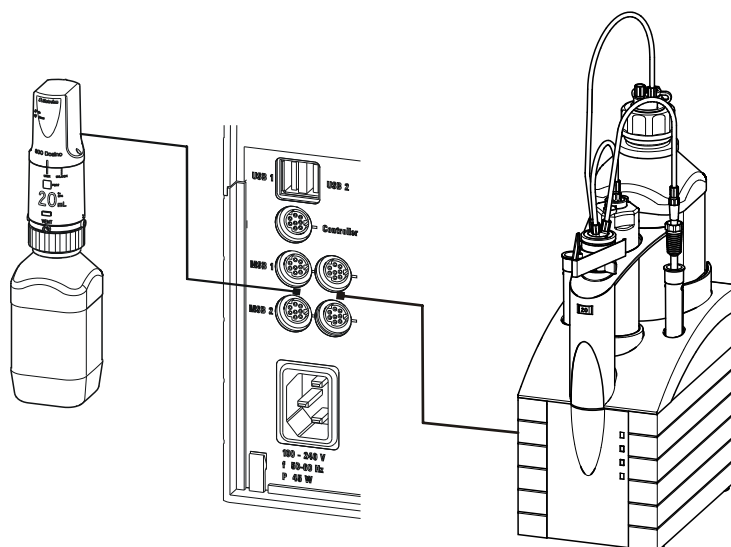


Figure 7 Connecting a dosing device

3.3.2 Connecting a stirrer or titration stand

You can use the following instruments:

- With built-in magnetic stirrer (stirring "from below"):
 - 801 Stirrer
 - 803 Ti Stand
- Without built-in magnetic stirrer (stirring "from above"):
 - 804 Ti Stand with propeller stirrer 802 Stirrer

Connect a stirrer or a titration stand as follows:

1 Connecting the stirrer or titration stand

- Exit the control software.
- Connect the connection cable of the magnetic stirrer or of the titration stand to one of the sockets marked with **MSB** on the rear of the control instrument.
- 804 Ti Stand only: Connect the propeller stirrer to the stirrer connector (socket with stirrer symbol) of the titration stand.
- Start the control software.



3.3.3 Connecting a Remote Box

Instruments that are controlled via remote lines and/or that send control signals via remote lines can be connected via the 6.2148.010 Remote Box. In addition to Metrohm, other instrument manufacturers also use similar connectors that make it possible to connect different instruments together. These interfaces are also frequently given the designations "TTL Logic", "I/O Control" or "Relay Control" and generally have a signal level of 5 volts.

Proceed as follows:

- Exit the control software.

- Connect the Remote Box connection cable to one of the sockets marked with **MSB** on the rear of the control instrument.
- Start the control software.

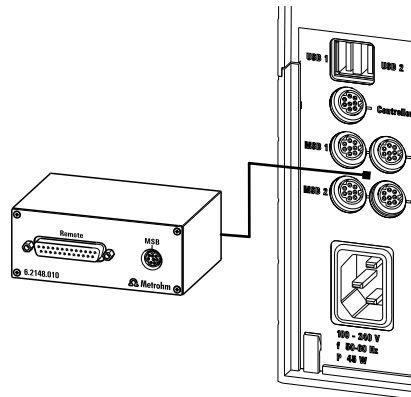


Figure 10 Connecting the Remote Box

You can, for example, connect an 849 Level Control (fill level monitoring in a canister) or a 731 Relay Box (switch box for 230/110 volt alternating current sockets and low-voltage direct current outlets). The Remote Box also has an MSB socket at which a further MSB device, e.g. a dosing device or a stirrer, can be connected.

You will find precise information concerning the pin assignment of the interface on the Remote Box in the appendix.

3.4 Connecting USB devices

3.4.1 General

The 888 Titrando has two USB connectors (type A sockets) for peripheral devices with USB interfaces. The Titrando functions as a USB hub (distributor) no matter how it is operated. If you wish to connect more than two devices to the USB, you can also use an additional, commercially available USB hub.



CAUTION

If you operate the 888 Titrando with the aid of the Touch Control, take care to ensure that the Touch Control is switched off when you set up or disconnect connections between the various instruments. If you use a PC software to control the 888 Titrando, you should exit the program before you set up or disconnect the USB connections.

3.4.2 Connecting a USB hub

If you wish to connect more than two devices to the USB connector of the 888 Titrande, you can also use an additional commercially available USB hub (distributor). If you operate the 888 Titrande with the help of the Touch Control, then you should use a USB hub with its own power supply.

Connect the USB hub as follows:

- 1** Switch off the Touch Control and/or exit the PC software.
- 2** With the aid of the 6.2151.020 cable, connect the USB connector of the 888 Titrande (type A) with the USB connector of the hub (type B, see manual for the hub).
- 3** Switch on the Touch Control.

The USB hub is recognized automatically.

3.4.3 Connecting a printer

Printers that are connected to the 888 Titrande with Touch Control must meet the following requirements:

- Printer languages: HP-PCL (PCL 3 to 5, PCL 3GUI), Canon BJL Commands or Epson ESC P/2
- Printer resolution: 300 dots/inch or 360 dots/inch (Epson)
- Paper size: A4 or Letter, single-sheet feed.

Connect the printer as follows:

- 1** Switch off the Touch Control.
- 2** With the aid of the 6.2151.020 cable, connect the USB connector of the 888 Titrande (type A) with the USB connector of the printer (type B, see manual for the printer).
- 3** Switch on the printer first, then the Touch Control.
- 4** Configure the printer in the device manager of the Touch Control (see Touch Control manual).

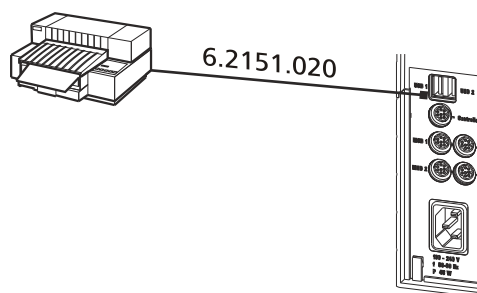


Figure 11 Connecting a printer

3.4.4 Connecting a balance

- Operation with a PC software:
 - Connect the balance directly to the serial connector (COM) of the computer. This is usually 9-pin and marked with the symbol **IOIOI**.
- Operation with Touch Control:
 - You will need the 6.2148.050 USB/RS-232 adapter to connect a balance.

The following table offers an overview of the balances that you can use together with the 888 Titrand and of which cable you will need for connection to the RS-232 interface:

Balance	Cable
AND ER, FR, FX with RS-232 interface (OP-03)	6.2125.020 + 6.2125.010
Mettler AB, AG, PR (LC-RS9)	In the scope of delivery for the balance
Mettler AM, PM, PE with interface option 016 or Mettler AJ, PJ with interface option 018	6.2146.020 + 6.2125.010 Also from Mettler: ME 47473 adapter and either ME 42500 hand switch or ME 46278 foot switch
Mettler AT	6.2146.020 + 6.2125.010 Also from Mettler: ME 42500 hand switch or ME 46278 foot switch
Mettler AX, MX, UMX, PG, AB-S, PB-S, XP, XS	6.2134.120

Balance	Cable
Mettler AE with interface option 011 or 012	6.2125.020 + 6.2125.010 Also from Mettler: ME 42500 hand switch or ME 46278 foot switch
Ohaus Voyager, Explorer, Analytical Plus	Cable AS017-09 from Ohaus
Precisa balances with RS-232-C interface	6.2125.080 + 6.2125.010
Sartorius MP8, MC, LA, Genius, Cubis	6.2134.060
Shimadzu BX, BW	6.2125.080 + 6.2125.010

Operation with Touch Control

Connect the balance as follows:

- 1 Plug in the USB plug of the USB/RS-232 adapter at the USB connector of the 888 Titrando.
- 2 Connect the RS-232 interface of the USB/RS-232 adapter with the RS-232 interface of the balance (see table for cable).
- 3 Switch on the Touch Control.
- 4 Switch on the balance.
- 5 Activate the RS-232 interface of the balance if necessary.
- 6 Configure the RS-232 interface of the USB/RS-232 adapter in the device manager of the Touch Control (see Touch Control manual).

3.4.5 Connecting a PC keyboard (only for operation with Touch Control)

The PC keyboard is used as an aid for text and numerical input.

Connect the PC keyboard as follows:

- 1 Insert the USB plug of the keyboard into one of the USB sockets of the 888 Titrando.



- ## 2 Switch on the Touch Control.

The keyboard is recognized automatically and entered in the device manager.

- 3** Configure the keyboard in the device manager of the Touch Control (see Touch Control manual).

3.4.6 Connecting a barcode reader

The barcode reader is used as an aid for text and numerical input. You can connect a barcode reader with USB interface.

Operation with Touch Control

Connect the barcode reader as follows:

- 1 Insert the USB plug of the barcode reader into one of the USB sockets of the 888 Titrand.

- 2** Switch on the Touch Control.

The barcode reader is recognized automatically and entered in the device manager.

- 3 Configure the barcode reader in the device manager of the Touch Control (see Touch Control manual).

Settings on the barcode reader:

Program the barcode reader as follows (see also the manual for the barcode reader):

- 1** Switch the barcode reader to programming mode.

- Specify the desired layout for the keyboard (USA, Germany, France, Spain, German-speaking Switzerland).

This setting must match the setting in the device manager (see the Touch Control manual).

- 3 Make sure that the barcode reader is set in such a way that Ctrl characters (ASCII 00 to 31) can be sent.

- 4 Program the barcode reader in such a way that the ASCII character 02 (STX or Ctrl B) is sent as the first character. This first character is normally referred to as the "Preamble" or "Prefix Code".
- 5 Program the barcode reader in such a way that the ASCII character 04 (EOT or Ctrl D) is sent as the last character. This last character is normally referred to as the "Postamble", "Record Suffix" or "Postfix Code".
- 6 Exit the programming mode.

3.5 Connecting sensors

The measuring interface contains the following measuring inputs:

- **Ind.** for a potentiometric electrode (pH, metal or ion-selective electrode)
- **Ref.** for a separate reference electrode
- **Temp.** for a temperature sensor (Pt1000 or NTC)
- **Pol.** for a polarizable electrode
- **iConnect** for an iConnect (measuring interface for electrodes with integrated data chip, so-called iTrodes)

3.5.1 Connecting a pH, metal or ion-selective electrode

Connect the pH, metal or ion-selective electrode as follows:

- 1 Plug the electrode plug into the **Ind.** socket of the 888 Titrand.

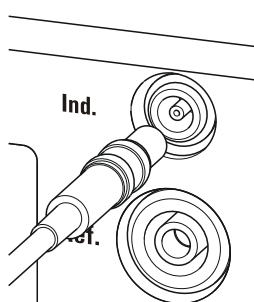


Figure 12 Connecting a pH, metal or ion-selective electrode



NOTE

The electrode cable is protected against accidental disconnection of the cable by means of a pull-out protection. If you wish to pull out the plug again, you will first need to pull back the outer plug sleeve.

3.5.2 Connecting a reference electrode

Connect the reference electrode as follows:

- 1** Plug the electrode plug into the **Ref.** socket of the 888 Titrand.

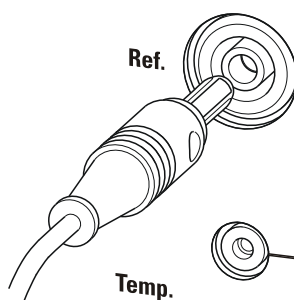


Figure 13 Connecting a reference electrode

3.5.3 Connecting a polarizable electrode

Connect the polarizable electrode as follows:

- 1** Plug the electrode plug into the **Pol.** socket of the 888 Titrand.

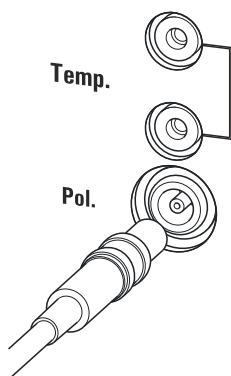


Figure 14 Connecting a polarizable electrode





Take care to ensure that the marking on the plug matches the marking on the Titrando as shown in the figure.

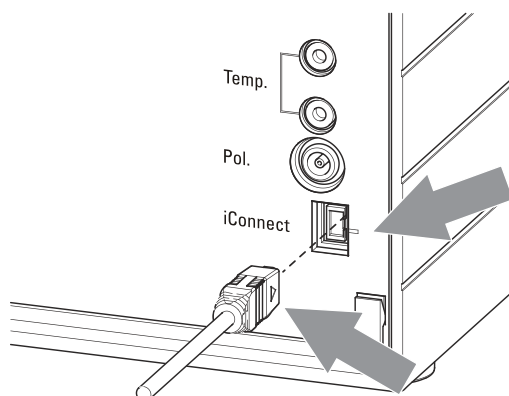


Figure 16 Connecting the iConnect

The iConnect is detected automatically and entered as measuring input into the device properties of the Titrand. If an electrode is connected to the iConnect that is not yet included in the list of sensors for the control software, then a corresponding message will be displayed.

The iConnect can be plugged in and unplugged while the Titrando is switched on.

An electrode with integrated data chip, referred to as iTrode, is connected to the iConnect.

Connect the electrode as follows:

- 1 Remove the protective caps on the iConnect and the electrode.
- 2 Plug in the electrode on the iConnect as illustrated below.

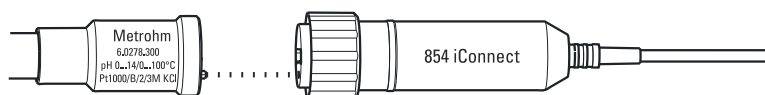


Figure 17 Connecting an electrode to the iConnect

The guide pin guarantees correct connection in such a way that the contact pins cannot be damaged.

- 3** Screw the iConnect tightly.

3.5.6 Differential potentiometry

Potentiometric measurements with high-ohm measuring chains can be disrupted by electrostatic and electromagnetic fields in media with low conductivity. Use our 6.0229.100 Solvotrode or other special electrodes for pH measurements in organic solvents. If no reliable measurements are possible with these, then a 6.5104.030 (230 V) or 6.5104.040 (115 V) differential amplifier can be used. The differential amplifier is connected to the high-ohm measuring input (**Ind.**).

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Proceed as follows to attach the exchange unit:

- It must snap in audibly.

If the exchange unit is attached correctly, its initialization is activated by a microswitch which is triggered by the guide bolts of the exchange unit. The exchange unit is recognized and the data is read out automatically from the data chip. The 888 Titrande carries out an

The following table contains a summary of which operating statuses of the internal dosing device are displayed by the **Status** LED:

Status of the "Status" LED	Description
off	No exchange unit is attached.
constant illumination	The exchange unit has been correctly attached and recognized and can now be used for dosing and titration. The flat stopcock is in the exchange position, i.e. the exchange unit can be removed.
slow flashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The exchange unit is currently being used for dosing or filling. ■ An intelligent exchange unit has been attached and the data on the integrated data chip is currently either being read out or written.
rapid flashing	Error on the dosing drive, consult the "Troubleshooting" chapter.

5 Operation and maintenance

5.1 General notes

5.1.1 Care

The 888 Titrand® requires appropriate care. Excess contamination of the instrument 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. Above all, the plug connections on the rear of the instrument (in particular the power socket) should be protected from contamination.



CAUTION

Although this is largely prevented by design measures, the power plug should be unplugged immediately if aggressive media have found their way into the interior of the instrument to prevent serious damage to the instrument electronics. In such cases, Metrohm Service must be informed.

5.1.2 Maintenance by Metrohm Service

Maintenance of the 888 Titrand 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.

6 Troubleshooting

6.1 General

Problem	Cause	Remedy
The "On" LED is not illuminated, even though the instrument is connected to the power supply.	<i>The Touch Control or the computer has not been switched on yet or the plugs are not correctly plugged in.</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the plug connections. 2. Switch on the Touch Control or the computer.
It is not possible to attach the exchange unit.	<i>The flat stopcock of the exchange unit is not in the exchange position.</i>	Move the green switching lever to the right until it stops.
	<i>The piston rod in the exchange unit is not in the correct position.</i>	Move the piston rod into the correct position (see the manual for the exchange unit).
The exchange unit can not be removed and the "Status" LED is flashing slowly.	<i>The exchange unit is currently being used for dosing or filling.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wait until the procedure has been completed. ▪ Cancel the procedure manually.
Die "Status" LED does not light up, even though an exchange unit is attached.	<i>The exchange unit has not been attached correctly.</i>	Remove the exchange unit and then attach it once again (it must snap in audibly). The LED flashes while data is read out from an intelligent exchange unit (806 Exchange Unit) and lights up constantly if the exchange unit has been recognized correctly.
The "Status" LED flashes rapidly.	<i>The dosing drive is overloaded because the flat stopcock is jammed.</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Switch off the Touch Control or exit the PC software. 2. Check whether the exchange unit can be removed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If not, move the green switching lever to the right until it stops. 3. Attempt once more to remove the exchange unit; perform maintenance on it afterwards (see the manual for the exchange unit).
	<i>The dosing drive is overloaded because the piston is jammed.</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Switch the control instrument off and then back on again.

Problem	Cause	Remedy
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Remove and clean the exchange unit (see the chapter in the manual for the exchange unit, "Care and upkeep"). Contact your local Metrohm Service department if necessary.
	<p><i>The data of the exchange unit can no longer be read.</i></p> <p><i>The data chip is damaged, either mechanically or by chemical action.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact your local Metrohm Service department to have the data chip replaced. If necessary, remove the data chip yourself so that the exchange unit can continue to be used in the meantime.

6.2 SET titration

Problem	Cause	Remedy
The titration will not be finished.	<i>The minimum dosing rate is too low.</i>	Select the user-defined titration rate and increase the minimum rate (see manual/help of the software used).
	<i>The stop criterion is unsuitable.</i>	Adjust the control parameters (see manual/help of the software used): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase the stop drift. Select a short delay time.
The sample is over-titrated.	<i>The control parameters are unsuitable.</i>	Adjust the control parameters (see manual/help of the software used): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select Titration rate = slow. Select the user-defined titration rate and increase the control range. Select the user-defined titration rate and reduce the maximum rate. Select the user-defined titration rate and reduce the minimum rate. Stir faster. Arrange the electrode and buret tip to an optimum.
	<i>The electrode responds too slowly.</i>	Replace the electrode.
The titration time is too long.	<i>The control parameters are unsuitable.</i>	Adjust the control parameters (see manual/help of the software used): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select Titration rate = optimal or fast.

7 Appendix

7.1 Remote interface

The 6.2148.010 Remote Box allows devices to be controlled which cannot be connected directly to the MSB interface of the Titrando.

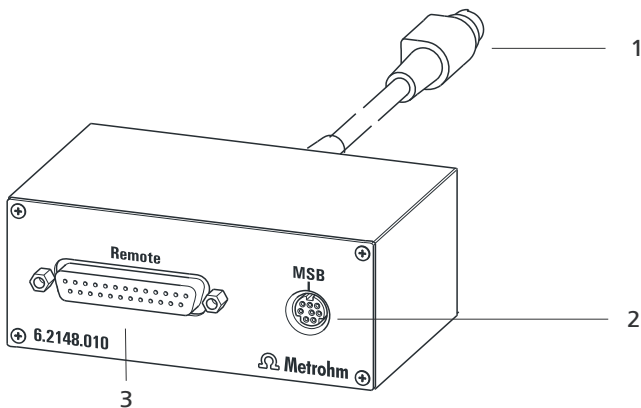


Figure 19 Connectors of the Remote Box

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| 1 Cable
For connecting to the Titrando. | 2 MSB connector
Metrohm Serial Bus. For connecting external dosing devices or stirrers. |
| 3 Remote connector
For connecting instruments with a remote interface. | |

7.1.1 Pin assignment of the remote interface

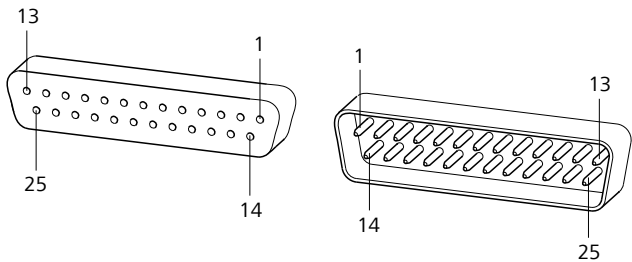
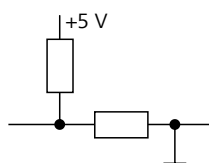


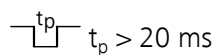
Figure 20 Pin assignment of remote socket and remote plug

The above figure of the pin assignment applies for all Metrohm instruments with 25-pin D-Sub remote connector.

Inputs

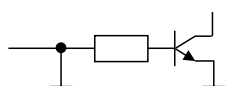


approx. 50 k Ω Pull-up

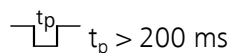


active = low, inactive = high

Outputs



Open Collector



active = low, inactive = high

$$I_C = 20 \text{ mA}, V_{CEQ} = 40 \text{ V}$$

+5 V: maximum load = 20 mA

The following tables offer information concerning the assignment of the individual pins and their function:

Table 1 Inputs and outputs of the remote interface

Assignment	Pin No.	Function*
Input 0	21	Start
Input 1	9	Stop
Input 2	22	
Input 3	10	Quit
Input 4	23	–
Input 5	11	
Input 6	24	
Input 7	12	
Output 0	5	Ready
Output 1	18	Conditioning OK
Output 2	4	Determination
Output 3	17	EOD
Output 4	3	
Output 5	16	Error
Output 6	1	
Output 7	2	Warning

Assignment	Pin No.	Function*
Output 8	6	
Output 9	7	
Output 10	8	
Output 11	13	
Output 12	19	
Output 13	20	
0 volts / GND	14	
+5 volts	15	
0 volts / GND	25	

* Signal activated only for operation with Touch Control.

Table 2 Explanation of the individual functions

Function	Explanation
Start	The current method is started at the time of activation. $t_{\text{pulse}} > 100 \text{ ms}$
Stop	The current method is canceled (Stop) at the time of activation. $t_{\text{pulse}} > 100 \text{ ms}$
Quit	The current command in the determination run will be canceled at the time of activation. $t_{\text{pulse}} > 100 \text{ ms}$
Ready	The instrument is ready to receive a start signal.
Conditioning OK	The line is set when Conditioning with SET titration and KFT titration is at OK. The line remains set until the determination is started with [START] .
Determination	The instrument performs a data-generating determination.
EOD	End of Determination. Pulse ($t_{\text{pulse}} = 200 \text{ ms}$) after a determination or after a buffer/standard solution during calibration using a Sample Processor.
Error	The line is set for error message display.

Function	Explanation
Warning	The line is set for warning message display.

8 Technical specifications

8.1 Measuring interface

The 888 Titrande has one galvanically isolated measuring interface.

The measuring cycle is 100 ms for all measuring modes.

8.1.1 Potentiometry

One high-ohm measuring input (**Ind.**) for pH, metal or ion-selective electrodes and one measuring input (**Ref.**) for separate reference electrodes.

Input resistance $> 1 \cdot 10^{12} \Omega$

Offset current $< 1 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ A}$ (under reference conditions)

Measuring mode
pH

Measuring range $-13 - +20 \text{ pH}$

Resolution 0.001 pH

Measuring accuracy $\pm 0.003 \text{ pH}$
(± 1 digit, without sensor error, under reference conditions)

Measuring mode
U

Measuring range $-1,200 - +1,200 \text{ mV}$

Resolution 0.1 mV

Measuring accuracy $\pm 0.2 \text{ mV}$
(± 1 digit, without sensor error, under reference conditions)

8.1.2 Temperature

A measuring input (**Temp.**) for temperature sensors of the Pt1000 or NTC type with automatic temperature compensation.

R (25 °C) and B value can be configured for NTC sensors.

Measuring range

Pt1000 $-150 - +250 \text{ °C}$

NTC $-5 - +250 \text{ °C}$
(R (25 °C) = 30,000 Ω and B (25/50) = 4,100 K)

Resolution

Pt1000 0.1 °C

8.2 Internal dosing device

<i>Cylinder volume of the exchange unit</i>	1 mL, 5 mL, 10 mL, 20 mL or 50 mL
<i>Resolution</i>	20,000 steps per cylinder volume

8.3 Power connection

Supply voltage	100 - 240 V
Frequency	50 - 60 Hz
Power consumption	Maximum 45 W
Fuse	Electronic overload protection

8.4 Safety specifications

<i>Design and testing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ EN/IEC 61010-1▪ UL 61010-1▪ CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1▪ Protection class I
<i>Safety instructions</i>	The documentation contains safety instructions which have to be followed by the user in order to ensure safe operation of the instrument.

8.5 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

Emission

Standards fulfilled:

- EN/IEC 61326-1
- EN/IEC 61000-6-3
- EN/IEC 61000-6-4
- EN 55022 / CISPR 22

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
- NAMUR

8.6 Ambient temperature

Nominal function range	+5 - +45 °C
Storage	-20 - +60 °C
Transport	-40 - +60 °C

8.7 Reference conditions

Ambient temperature	+25 °C (± 3 °C)
Relative humidity	≤ 60%
Instrument status	Instrument in operation at least 30 min
Validity of the data	After adjustment

8.8 Dimensions

<i>Width</i>	142 mm
<i>Height</i>	227 mm
<i>Depth</i>	231 mm
<i>Weight</i>	2,817 g
<i>Material (housing)</i>	Poly(butylene terephthalate) (PBT)

8.9 Interfaces

USB connectors

USB ports 2 USB downstream ports (type A sockets), 500 mA each, for connecting peripheral devices such as printers, keyboards, barcode readers or RS-232/USB boxes (Metrohm order no. 6.2148.020).

Connector "Controller"

<i>Controller port</i>	USB upstream port with auxiliary power supply (Mini DIN socket) for connecting Touch Control or computer for controlling the 888 Titrando.
<i>Touch Control</i>	With integrated Touch Control cable.
<i>Computer</i>	With 6.2151.000 cable.

Dosing device

Stirrer

Remote Box

Connector for a maximum of four Remote Boxes. Remote Boxes can be used to actuate and monitor external devices.

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