# **3B SCIENTIFIC® PHYSICS**



# TC-K thermocouple 1000551

## Instruction sheet

10/15 Hh



### 1. Safety instructions

 In order to avoid permanent damage to the supplied K-type thermocouple, never exceed the maximum temperature of 1370°C.

The immersion sensors 1002804 and 1002805 can likewise be connected to the sensor box.

### 2. Scope of delivery

- 1 Sensor box
- 1 NiCr-Ni (TC-K) thermocouple sensor, 1.20 m
- 1 8-pin mini DIN connection cable, 60 cm

#### 3. Description

The TC-K thermocouple is used to measure extremely high/low temperatures, in liquid nitrogen or oxygen or in a flame, for instance. The thermocouple is used in conjunction with the 3B NET/og<sup>™</sup> interface.

Once connected, the sensor is automatically detected by the interface.

4. Technical data	
Measuring range:	-270°C to +1370°C
Sensor type:	NiCr-Ni (type K)
Accuracy:	0.2% and 3°C in the range 270°C to 0°C;
	0.1% and 2°C in the range 0°C to 1370°C
Resolution:	1°C
Delay:	3 s approx. if temperature changes from 0°C to 100°C
Sensor cable:	Insulated glass-fibre, 1.20 m

The apparatus consists of a sensor box, in-

cluding a NiCr-Ni thermocouple sensor (type

K), with room temperature compensation.

#### 5. Operation

- Connect the thermocouple sensor to the sensor box and bring it into contact with the test surface.
- Wait for temperature compensation to complete before taking readings.

#### 6. Applications

Measurements involving very low temperatures in liquified gases

Measuring temperature at points that are extremely difficult to access on account of the experiment set-up – this is facilitated by a probe 1.20 m long and a small diameter of only 1.5 mm.

Measurements conducted in the hot region of a flame without damaging or destroying the tip of the sensor

#### 7. Sample experiments

# Experimental demonstration of Newton's law of cooling



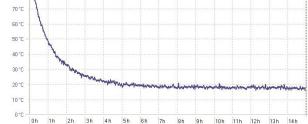
Fig. 1: Experimental demonstration of Newton's law of cooling

The type K immersion sensor 1002804 is used in this experiment.

- Connect the equipment as shown in Fig. 1 above. Switch on the 3B NET/og<sup>™</sup> interface and wait for the interface to automatically detect and identify the sensor.
- Prepare the interface for recording readings over a time period of 10 hours, i.e. every 0.36 s, a total of 100,000 readings.
- Fill approximately half the vessel with boiling water (100°C approx.).

curve.

100 °C



Subsequently, start taking readings. After

completing the experiment, plot the cooling

Fig. 2: Reduction of temperature over time