



#### F-750 Produce Quality Meter Measuring Mandarin Oranges

- Non-destructive tool for measuring internal qualities of fruits
- Measures in under 5 seconds
- Collects data pre- or post-harvest
- Measures multiple qualities with a single scan
  - Total Soluble Solids, or "Brix"
  - Dry Matter
  - Titratable Acidity
  - Internal Color



Total Soluble Solids (TSS), or "Brix," are positively correlated with consumer preference in citrus fruits. The F-750 was successfully used to measure TSS in mandarin oranges through the following method:

## Collecting the Data

### Non-destructive Measurement

64 oranges (Mandarin) were scanned using the F-750 to create a training set for a Total Soluble Solids (TSS) model.

#### Destructive Measurement

The same orange regions were destructively measured for TSS using a refractometer.

# Building the Model



Training set values collected by the F-750 were matched with destructive reference values using Model Builder Software. Using a spectral range of 702-975 nm, a new orange TSS model was created with an R<sup>2</sup> of 0.93.

### Validating the Model

The newly created orange model had a prediction error of +/- 0.84 ° TSS when used to measure samples independent of the original training set fruit.





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