

Proteus Water Quality Sensor

An award-winning multi-parameter, real-time sensor platform (portable or permanent) that accurately and reliably measures BOD, COD and faecal coliforms for permanent and temporary applications.

The Proteus is the world's first scientifically proven real-time sensor for measuring BOD that can measure a wide range of applications. A multiprobe that measures your choice of parameter, all in one package, that can deliver data in the toughest field conditions. The Proteus has been designed for its ease of use, reliable data and economical operation.

Applications

- BOD Loading to Wastewater Treatment Works (WWTWs)
- Combinded Sewage Overflow (CSO) event monitoring
- Point Source Pollution monitoring
- · Faecal Coliform monitoring
- Efficiencies of Wastewater Treatment Works
- Diffuse Pollution Montioring
- · Groundwater Water Quality Monitoring
- · Survey tool combined with Bluetooth ®

Parameters include:

- BOD
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Pressure
- Chloride
- Hq •
- Temperature
- Optical Brighteners
- Nitrate
- Faecal Coliforms

- ORP / REDOX
- Tryptophan
- Refined Oils
- Ammonium
- EC / Salinity / TDS
- Turbidity
- Crude Oils CDOM
- COD
- TOC



Self cleaning: As it is essential that optical sensors have a cleaning mechanism, the Proteus is also supplied with an integral wiper which cleans all of the Proteus' sensors before every measurement cycle.

Improved process control: Let the Proteus monitor multiple process

parameters 24/7.

Simple to use & intuitive software

Virtually maintenance free: The system is fully serviceable in the field and requires almost no maintenance. Logs data unattended minimizing manpower requirements and safety issues.

Multiple power options: Power can be provided by an optional internal lithium battery pack for unattended logging, or an external power source (battery, mains or solar). External ON/OFF switch for logging without need for PC connection.

Measure bacteria/coliforms:
The Proteus is the first instrument globally that has the potential to measure bacteria/coliforms in drinking water in real time.

Status LED

Apply more sensors: The patent-pending and award-winning Proteus breaks the boundaries of water quality meters. The Proteus offers a unique platform to add additional sensors such as pH, REDOX, electrical conductivity, dissolved oxygen, turbidity and many others.

Robust build quality with stainless steel and Delrin outer casing

Easy integration: The Proteus can be effortlessly integrated with telemetry/SCADA systems and other datalogging devices with external RS232/Modbus/SDI12 or simply by using its internal datalogger. The integrated datalogger can log 1,000,000 readings and it can be used with Tablets/Mobile Phones.

Sensor Specifications Parameter		Range	Resolution	Accuracy	Comments	
BOD	BOD mg/l	0-300 mg/l	0.01 mg/l ⁻¹	< 5 % of reading*	Local site calibration can improve accuracy. * providing adequate field calibration	
Coliform Counts	per 100ml ⁻¹	>1 count/100ml ⁻¹	1 count/100ml ⁻¹	1 count/100ml ⁻¹	· · · · ·	
COD	COD mg/l	0-600 mg/l	0.01 mg/l	< 5 % of reading*	Local site calibration can improve accuracy. * providing adequate field calibration	
DOC (Dissolved Organic Carbon)	DOC mg/l	0 - 400 mg L-1	0.01 mg L ⁻¹	< 5 % of reading*	* Providing adequate field calibration	
Temperature	Water Temperature	-5 to 50 °C	0.01	0.1	Never needs calibration	
pH/ORP	рН	0 to 14 units	0.1	0.1 within 10 C of calibration, 0.2 otherwise	Refillable reference electrode; corrected for temperature; typical sensor life > 4 years	
•	ORP	-999 to 999 mV	1	20 mV	Platinum ORP sensor is combined with pH sensor	
	Turbidity	0 to 40 FNU	4 digits with maximum of two decimals	2% of reading or 0.2	Compensated for temperature; filtered for non-turbidity spikes; includes wiper to clean the optics	
		40-400 FNU		2% of reading or 0.2		
Turbidity		400-5000 FNU		2% of range		
	Transmissivity	0 to 100% transmission	4 digits	Linearity of 0.99R ²	WETLabs SeaStar; mounts alongside the Manta	
	Concentration	0 to 20 mg/l	0.01	0.1	Compensated for temperature and salinity; EPA approved "lifetime" luminescence method; typical sensor cap life >	
Optical		20 to 30 mg/l	0.01	0.15		
Dissolved		30 to 50 mg/l	0.1	5%		
Oxygen	% saturation	0 to 500% saturation	0.1%	Corresponds with the accuracy of the concentration reading	4 years	
Conductivity	Specific conductance, µS/cm	0 to 5000 μS/cm	maximum of one ±1% of reading ±0.001 graphite electrodes;	Compated for town and the four ages, to alone		
	Specific conduct- ance, mS/cm	0 to 10 mS/cm		±1% of reading ±0.001	Corrected for temperature; four easy-to-clean graphite electrodes; optional sensor provides ±0.5% of reading accuracy to 100 mS/cm.	
		10 to 100 mS/cm		1% of reading		
		100 to 275 mS/cm		2% of reading		
	Salinity	0 to 70 PSS	0.01	0.2	Calculated from specific conductance; PSS = Practical Salinity Scale which is roughly equivalent to ppt	
	Total dissolved solids (TDS)	0 to 65 g/	0.1	5% of reading	Calculated from specific conductance	

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Pressure	Depth	0 to 25 m	0.01	0.05	Compensated for temperature and salinity; 0.05 m
		0 to 200 m		0.4	out of 25 m is 2" out of 100 feet; 0.4 m out of 20 m is a football length out of two football felds
	Vented depth (level)	0 to 10 m	0.001	0.003m	Compensated for temp, salinity, barometric pressure
	Barometric pressure	400 to 900 mm Hg	0.1	1.5	Included with depth sensor
	Total dissolved gas (TDG)	400 to 1,400 mm Hg	0.1	1	Compensated for temperature; maximum depth 15m
	Chlorophyll a - blue	0 to 500 μg/l		Linearity of 0.99R ²	Highest-quality Turner Designs fluorometric sensors; fluorometers often require non-trivial calibration; custom optics available upon request
	Chlorophyll a - red	0 to 500 μg/l			
	Rhodamine dye	0 to 1000 ppb			
Fluorometers	Phycocyanin (freshwater BGA)	0 to 40,000 ppb			
	Phycoerythrin (marine BGA)	0 to 750 ppb	6 digits with maximum of two decimals		
	CDOM/fDOM	0 to 1250 or 0 to 5000 ppb			
	CDOM/fDOM custom	0 to 1250 or 0 to 5000 ppb			
	Optical brighteners	0 to 15,000 ppb			
	Tryptophan	0 to 20,000 ppb			
	Fluorescein dye	0 to 500 ppb			
	Refined oil	0 to 10,000pb			
	Crude oil	0 to 1500 ppb			
	Ammonium	0 to 100 mg/l as nitrogen	0.1	5% or 2 mg/l	Corrected for ionic strength (via conductivity readings); the accuracy specification relies on non-trivial maintenance practice and frequent calibration near the temperature of measurement; ammonium and nitrate require tip replacement every 3 - 6 months
Ion-selective electrodes (ISE's)	Nitrate	0 to 100 mg/l as nitrogen			
	Chloride	0 to 18,000 mg/l			
	Sodium	0 to 20,000 mg/l			
	Calcium	0 to 40,000 mg/l			
	Bromide	0 to 80,000 mg/l			
PAR	Photometric PAR	10,000 µmol/sm2	4 digits	5% of reading	LiCor spherical sensor

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Internal Power Battery Life	1 to 24 month depending on sensors / logging rates	Sample Rate	1 Hz
External Power	5-30 vdc	Data Memory	>1,000,000 logged readings
Operating Temperature	-5 to 50 °C	Logging Rates	1 second to 1 day
Depth Rating	200 m	Warranty	2 years* * All sensors included except ISE's (Ammonia/nitrate/chloride)
Communications	RS-232, SDI-12, USB or Bluetooth		

General Specifications	Proteus 30	Proteus 35	Proteus 40
Diameter	75 mm (2.95")	89 mm (3.5")	102 mm (4.00")
Length - w/o Battery Pack	483 mm (19")	483 mm (19")	483 mm (19")
Weight - with IBP	2.3 kg (5.0 lbs)	4.1 kg (9.0 lbs)	4.5 kg (10.0 lbs)
Number of sensors	Up to 7	Up to 11	Up to 13
Battery Pack	8 "C" cells	8 "C" cells	8 "C" cells

	Parameter Information
Ammonia (NH3)	Ammonia is normally found in very low concentrations in natural waters. It is a result of microbiological activity breaking down nitrogen-containing material. Elevated levels of ammonia can be very harmful to aquatic life and fish in particular.
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	Biochemical oxygen demand is a measure of the amount of oxygen used by microorganisms (e.g.,aerobic bacteria) in the oxidation of organic matter. High levels of BOD (due to excess organic matter) indicate greater consumption of oxygen by microorganisms, meaning less is available to fish and other aquatic life.
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) measures the amount of oxygen required to chemically oxidize the organic material and inorganic nutrients, such as Ammonia or Nitrate, present in water. It is widely used as an indicator of organic pollution and many industrial and wastewater effluents have strict permits associated with COD concentration.
Conductivity	Conductivity is a measure of the ability of water to pass an electric current; it is affected by the presence of dissolved solids such as chloride, nitrate and phosphate. Conductivity can be a very useful indicator that a discharge of some sort has entered a stream, or some other change has occurred.
Dissolved oxygen	Oxygen is essential for the survival of aquatic life and is incorporated into surface waters by direct absorption from the atmosphere, more so in turbulent streams. It is then consumed by organisms and decaying organic matter. An excess of decaying organic matter leads to a shortage of oxygen, which can prove fatal for fish.
Faecal Coliforms	Coliforms (coliform bacteria) are rod-shaped gram-negative bacteria that are commonly used as an indicator of the sanitary quality of water
Nitrate (NO3-)	Nitrate is a naturally occurring by-product of the breakdown of organic waste. In low concentrations it stimulates thegrowth of aquatic plants. At higher concentrations it can be directly harmful and can also lead to excess algae growth and eutrophication. The primary source of excess nitrate is surface runoff from agricultural land.
рН	pH is related to the concentration of hydrogen ions in a solution and is a measure of acidity or alkalinity. In natural ecosystems it can vary from around 4.5, for acid peaty upland waters, to over 10.0 where there is intense photosynthetic activity.
Redox (ORP)	Redox (Reduction-oxidation) or ORP (Oxidation Reduction Potential) is a measure of the oxidising or reducing potential of a water body. Many important biochemical processes are oxidation or reduction reactions (e.g. ammonia>nitrite>nitrate). The ORP level in a river or treatment plant will govern (along with DO and pH levels) which reactions are prevalent.
Temperature	Physical temperature of the watercourse. Largely dictated by climate, but also of interest around thermal discharges. Temperature extremes can be harmful to aquatic organisms, and also have an effect on other parameters, e.g. pH and dissolved oxygen.
Turbidity	Turbidity is a measure of the clarity of water. Silts and soils that are suspended within rivers and lakes cause high levels of turbidity, especially during storm and run-off events.