

AURORA 1000

INTEGRATING NEPHELOMETER

Easy to use and maintain, the Aurora 1000 lowers the cost of ownership for aerosol light scattering, visibility and particulate monitoring instrumentation.

The Aurora 1000 monitor uses a single wavelength for scattering coefficient visibility measurements at one of three user specified wavelengths.

Ecotech, through collaboration with globally renowned atmospheric research institutes, now provide the scientific community with the most advanced commercially available nephelometers.

Using a single wavelength LED light source, the Aurora 1000 can be equipped with any of the following light sources:

- 450nm (blue) for fine and ultra fine particulates (wood fires, automobiles).
- 525nm (green) for visibility.
- 635nm (red) for large particulates (e.g. pollen, sea salt).

Increased accuracy

- Automatic calibration
- Easy maintenance/cleaning of the measurement cell
- Long lasting LED light source
- Intuitive software and maintenance
- Automatic optical reference calibration
- Facilitates a wide measurment range (0 to 20 000 Mm⁻¹).



BENEFITS

- Simplified automatic calibration using internal valves, ideal for remote locations. Fully automatic zero check or adjust, automatic span check or automatic zero and span check available in intervals of 1, 3, 6, 12, 24 hrs or weekly.
- Fully integrated package including; internal sample pump, sample heater, internal calibration valves, zero air pump and data logger.
- Internal sample heater with temperature or RH control, which can be enabled by the user to eliminate the effects of humidity (RH: <30% to <90%).
- 12 VDC operation (60 watts max, 13 watts nominal).
- Holds up to 61 days of 5 minute data averages or 12 days of 1 min data.
- Data downloading and firmware upgrading software supplied on USB or internet.

LED vs flash lamp

- Our LED light source is guaranteed not to fail and often exceeds 5 years compared to a flash lamp that is recommended to be changed every 4-6 months
- Heat generated by the LED light source is a fraction of that generated by a flash lamp, minimising changes in sample RH.
- LEDs emit light at a specific wavelength eliminating the need for band pass filters.

Lower cost of ownership

- Fully automatic zero and span calibrations.
- Low power internal 12V heater eliminates the need for external inlet heater.
- Long lasting low power LED light source.
- No bandpass filters to be replaced.
- Unique in its simplicity and practicality.

SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter: Light scattering coefficient (σsp) at (450, 525 or 635nm)

Ranges: 0.0 to >20000 Mm⁻¹

Lower detectable limit: <0.3 Mm⁻¹ (60 second averaged data)

Secondary measurements: Sample air temperature, RH and pressure. Enclosure temperature.

≈5 SLPM with defaut blower. Higher flow can be obtained using the

external pump option (in case of common inlet e.g.).

Operating temperature: -20 to 45°C Operating RH: 10 to 95%

Calibration: Span gas available for CO₂, SF6, FM-200, R-12, R-22, R-134 or a user defined

gas

Optics: Reference light source measurement

Light source: Stable LED light source (U.S. patent 7, 671, 988)

Wavelength: 525nm (green), 450nm (blue) or 635nm (red)

Operating voltage: 12 VDC (incl 110-240 VAC 50/60 Hz power converter)

Power consumption: 13 watts nominal, 45 watts with heater active Dimensions: 170mm x 700mm x 215mm (L x W x H)

Weight: 11.2kg

Communications/Data logging

Outputs: 4 analogue outputs (2 voltage & 2 current) and 2 x RS 232 serial

ports

Filtering: Kalman (digital adaptive filter), Moving average (30 seconds) or no filter Stored parameters: Date & Time, σsp(635, 525 or 450), Air temperature, Enclosure temperature,

RH, Pressure instrument status

Capacity: Maximum of 61 days of 5 minute averages, or 12 days of 1 minute averaged

data

OPTIONS

- Internal flow control and PM₂₅ sampling 3 slpm
- Solar power option
- Sample bypass
- Roof flange kit and rain cap with insect screen
- Gas Calibration kit
- Wall mount bracket.

APPLICATIONS

- Visibility measurements (Airports, City pollution, AAQMS)
- Dust/sand storm monitoring and early detection networks
- Bushfire pollution monitoring and early detection networks
- \bullet PM $_{2.5}$ mass measurement correlation studies.

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