



High-performance full ocean depth, single-point current meter with titanium housing

With all the features and capabilities of the standard Aquadopp, the deepwater Aquadopp 6000 m current meter has been used and proven by oceanographers around the world for almost 20 years. Thanks to innovative data diagnostic features for challenging environments, it provides exceptionally high-quality 3D currents in a form factor that is easy to install in any type of mooring line configuration, or simply attached to a bottom or surface platform.

Raw magnetometer data can be stored for post calibration of compass when used without the inductive modem option.



Highlights

- Full ocean-depth single-point current meter
- Titanium housing
- Diagnostics mode for mooring performance evaluation

Applications

- √ Studies of deep-water currents
- Studies of tidal currents
- Attached to mooring lines
- Measurements of unaffected currents from physical structures
- In conjunction with riser monitoring systems
- Alternative to conventional current meters with errors due to fouling
- Combination of currents and highaccuracy CTD data
- Near-bed current measurements from landers
- ✓ Deep ocean mining support



Technical specifications

→ Water velocity measurements	
Maximum profiling range	N/A
Cell size	0.75 m
Minimum blanking	0.50 m
Maximum number of cells	1
Measurement cell position	0.5-5.0 m (user-selectable)
Default position (along beam)	0.50-2.0 m
Velocity range	±5 m/s
Accuracy	$\pm 1\%$ of measured value ± 0.5 cm/s
Velocity precision	Consult instrument software
Maximum sampling rate(output)	1 Hz
Internal sampling rate	23 Hz
→ Echo intensity	
Sampling	Same as velocity
Resolution	0.45 dB
Dynamic range	90 dB
Transducer acoustic frequency	2 MHz
Number of beams	3
Beam width	3.4°
→ HR option	
Maximum profiling range	N/A
Cell size	N/A
Minimum blanking	N/A
Maximum number of cells	N/A
Range/Velocity limitations	N/A
Accuracy	N/A
Max. sampling rate	N/A
→ Z-Cell option	



Cell zero acoustic frequency	N/A
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Maximum profiling range N/A

Number of beams N/A

→ Sensors

Temperature: Thermistor embedded in head

Temp. range $-4 \text{ to } +40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Temp. accuracy/resolution 0.1 °C/0.01 °C

Temp. time response 10 min

Compass: Magnetometer

Accuracy/resolution 2°/0.1° for tilt < 20°

Tilt: Liquid level

Accuracy/resolution 0.2°/0.1°

Maximum tilt 30°

Up or Down Automatic detect

Pressure: Piezoresistive

Range 6000 m

Accuracy/precision 0.5% FS / 0.005% of full scale

→ Analog inputs

No. of channels 2

Supply voltage to analog output

devices

Three options selectable through firmwarecommands: 1) Battery voltage/500 mA, 2) +5 V/250 mA, 3) +12 V/100

mΑ

Voltage input 0-5 V

Resolution 16 bit A/D

→ Data recording

Capacity 9 MB, can add 4/16 GB

Data record 40 bytes

Diagnostics record 40 bytes

Wave record N/A

Mode Stop when full (default) or wrap mode

→ Real-time clock

Accuracy ±1 min/year



→ Real-time clock	
Backup in absence of power	4 weeks
> Data communications	
I/O	RS-232 or RS-422
Communication baud rate	300-115200 Bd
Recorder download baud rate	600/1200 kBd for both RS-232 and RS-422
User control	Handled via "Aquadopp" software, ActiveX®function calls or direct commands with binaryor ASCII data output
→ Connectors	
Bulkhead	MCBH-8-FS titanium
Cable	PMCIL-8-MP on 10 m polyurethane cable
→ Software	
Functions	Deployment planning, instrument configuration, data retrieval and conversion (for Windows ${f @}$)
→ Power	
DC input	9-15 V DC
Maximum peak current	3 A
Avg. power consumption	0.015 W
Sleep current	< 100 μΑ
Transmit power	20 W
→ Batteries	
Battery capacity	50 Wh (alkaline or Li-ion), 165 Wh (lithium), Single or dua
New battery voltage	13.5 V DC (alkaline)
→ Environmental	
Operating temperature	-5 to +40 °C
Storage temperature	-20 to +60 °C
Shock and vibration	IEC 721-3-4
EMC approval	IEC 61000
Depth rating	6000 m
→ Materials	
Standard model	Titanium and POM



→ Dimensions	
Maximum diameter	84 mm
Maximum length	\sim 500 mm (single battery), +110 mm (double battery) depending on head configuration
→ Weight	
Weight in air	7.6 kg
Weight in water	4.8 kg
→ Options	

¹⁾ Alkaline, lithium or Li-ion external batteries, 2) Inquire for different head configurations, 3) Inductive modem