

# CONTROS HydroC™ CH4 FT



## ACCURATE AND STABLE METHANE SENSOR FOR LONG-TERM DEPLOYMENT

Dependable methane measurement for both pumped stationary systems (e.g., monitoring stations) or ship based underway systems (e.g. FerryBox).

The CONTROS HydroC™ CH<sub>4</sub> FT is a unique surface methane partial pressure sensor designed for flow through applications.

### HIGH ACCURACY AND STABILITY

Due to their narrow line-width, the Tunable Diode Laser Detectors used in the Contros HydroC $^{\text{\tiny M}}$  CH4 FT are accurate, with excellent methane molecule selectivity. Further, they feature a large dynamic range covering background partial pressures up to 40 matm. All detectors are subject to individual calibration and an in depth quality check in the -4H Jena QA lab before they are integrated into our sensors. The quality of the calibration is then verified individually in calibration tanks. The sensor is stable over extended periods as the detector tunes the laser to CH4 absorbing and non-absorbing wavelengths for each measurement, thus compensating for potential drift influences.

### **OPERATING PRINCIPLE**

Water is pumped through the CONTROS HydroC $^{\sim}$  CH $_4$  sensor flow head and dissolved gases diffuse through the custom-made thin film TOUGH membrane into the internal gas circuit. This leads to a detection chamber where CH $_4$  concentration is determined by means of Tunable Diode Laser Absorption Spectroscopy (TDLAS). Concentration dependent laser light intensities and additional gas circuit data are converted into an actionable, reliable output signal.

### **SOFTWARE**

CONTROS DETECT® incl. real time data visualization, setting of sensor parameters (e.g. measuring intervals, internal data logger settings, sleep mode function) supported by a mission planning tool and data download from internal logger.

### **HARDWARE**

Windows 7 32 Bit or higher, 200 MB free disk space, Dual Core CPU with 2GB RAM.

### **OPTIONS**

- Data logger
- Easy integration into FerryBox applications
- No DAC available for an FT

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### **APPLICATIONS**

The CONTROS HydroC™ CH4 FT is trusted to deliver precise readings for diverse applications, including:

- Climate studies
- Methane hydrate studies

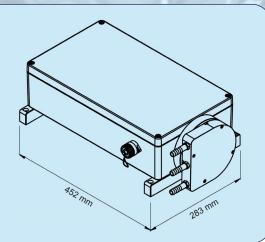
- Limnology
- Fresh water control

### **FEATURES**

- New robust TOUGH membrane
- High accuracy and low detection limit of background concentration
- Large measuring range
- Optimal long-term stability
- Ideal methane selectivity
- Non-consuming CH<sub>4</sub> measurement
- Very robust

Measuring range

 User-friendly 'Plug & Play' principle; all required cables, connectors and software included



### **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

**Detector** TDLAS -Tunable Diode Laser

Absorption Spectroscopy Flow rate<sup>2</sup>

0- 40,000 µatm Temp range

Detection limit < 1 µatm Supply voltage 12-30 V

Accuracy<sup>1</sup> ±2 µatm or ±3 % Data interface

Weight 8.5 kg Data format ASCII and NMEA protocol

3.3 Kg

Dimensions 452 x 283 x 142.5 mm Connector<sup>3</sup> Hirschmann-plug CA6LD

### **CONTACT -4H-JENA**

Get in touch to find out how CONTROS HydroC™ CH₄ FT sensors can secure your ability to measure and report dependable methane data as part of your workflow.

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### **CONTACT YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE**

2 to 15 l/min

-2°C to +30°C

Only RS232 for FTs

The CONTROS HydroC™ CH<sub>4</sub> FT enables climate researchers to contribute towards meeting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.









<sup>1.</sup> Whichever is greater 2. Recommended 5l/min 3. Other connectors on request. Specifications subject to change without notice.