

FLOW UNIT+

P/N [FLU-XS]

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Microfluidic flow sensor

Fluigent's FLOW UNIT is a unique tool to easily monitor all the flow-rates in any microfluidic system with the best precision and accuracy:

- A micro heater provides a minimal amount of heat to the medium monitored (around 1°C)
- Two temperature sensors, located on both sides of the heater, detect any temperature variation. The flow-rate is then calculated based on the spread of heat, which is directly related to the flow- rate.



KEY FEATURES

High accuracy for various flow rate ranges

Highly precise flow measurement with an accuracy of less than 5% of the measured value

Plug and play

Thanks to internally developed electronics and algorithms, the sensors are directly recognized by Fluigent systems and OxyGEN/SDK for starting experiments right away.

Compact & intuitive

The sensors were developed to minimize benchtop space and provide intuitive use.

Air bubble detection*

In addition to liquid monitoring, it is possible to detect bubbles during an experiment

*Bubble detection is only available for the FLOW UNIT+ series (M+ and L+)

KEY APPLICATIONS

Next-generation sequencing (NGS) applications using for instance microfluidic Digital PCR to quantify ctDNA in liquid biopsies for oncology

Microscopy for cell biology research, DNA-PAINT imaging, genomics research, live cell imaging

Drug discovery using microphysiological systems such as 3D-(co)-cultures, organoids, organ-on-chip models

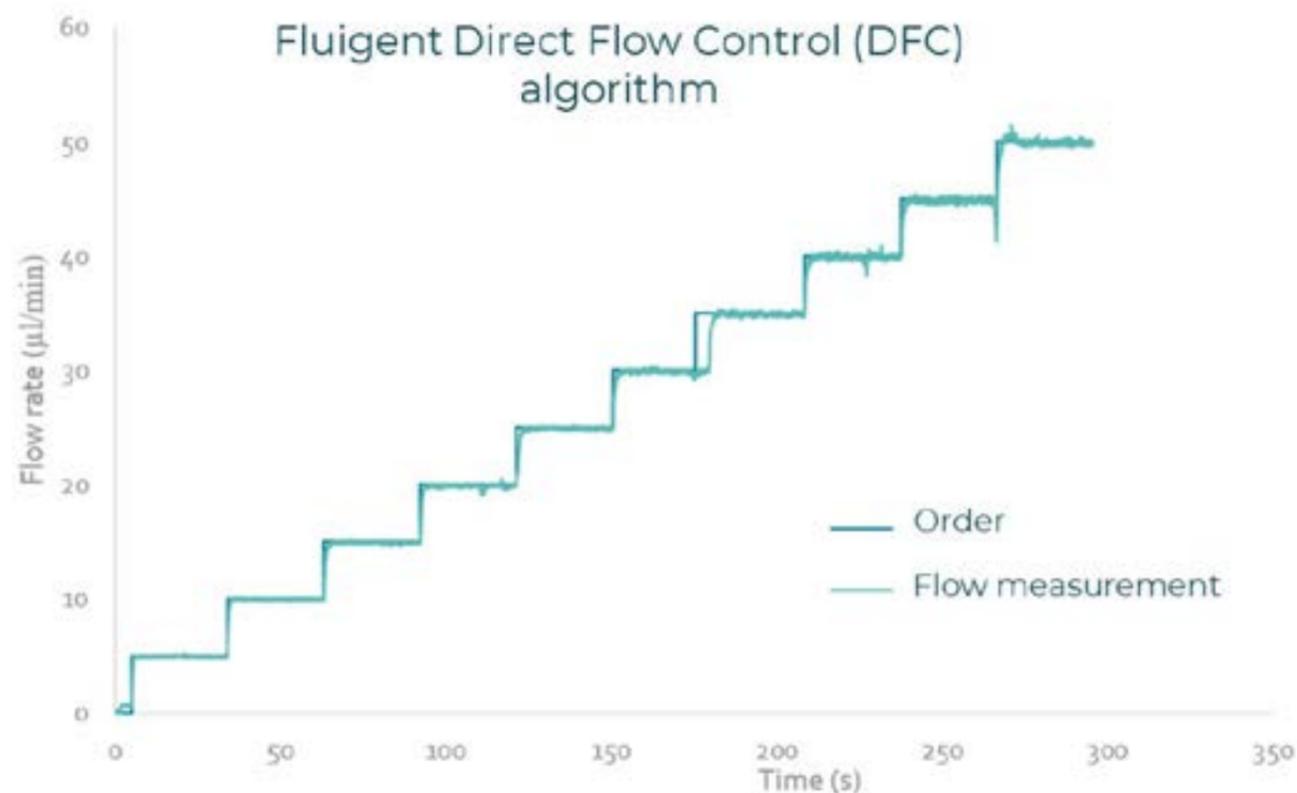
Molecular analysis using including microfluidic modulation spectroscopy or mass photometry

EXPERTISE

Highly stable, and responsive real-time flow rate control

By connecting a flow rate sensor to Fluigent pressure controllers, it is possible to monitor or control the flow rate in real time. The algorithm includes a continuous optimization of the parameters, allowing it to adapt to the interactions between fluidic channels in complex situations.

- No overshoot/undershoot, allowing for an immediate response
- Adapts to any reservoir size
- Useful over a wide pressure or vacuum range



FLOW UNIT+ SERIES

Mid to high flow rate ranges (7µL/min – 40 mL/min)

For applications that require flow rates ranging from 7 µL/min to 40 mL/min, we recommend our latest flow sensor series. It consists of a sensor and electronics integrated into a compact casing. Using these flow sensors, one can also monitor the liquid temperature and detect air bubbles that pass through the sensor.



FLOW UNIT M+

H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 2 mL/min

Accuracy : ±5 % of measured value if flow rate > 10 µL/min, 0.5 µL/min if flow rate < 10 µL/min

*Additional specifications available on the specification table

FLOW UNIT L+

H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 40 mL/min

Accuracy : ±5 % of measured value if flow rate > 1 mL/min, 50 µL/min if flow rate < 1 mL/min

*Additional specifications available on the specification table



WARNING: Avoid voltage difference between sensor and medium as there is no electrical isolation from the flow channel.

FLOW UNIT SERIES

Low volumes applications (<10µL/min)

For applications that require flow rates ranging lower than 10 µL/min, we recommend our original flow sensor series.



FLOW UNIT XS

H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 1.5 µL/min

Accuracy : ±10 % of measured value if flow rate > 75 nL/min, 7.5 nL/min if flow rate < 75 nL/min

*Additional specifications available on the specification table

FLOW UNIT S

H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 7 µL/min

Accuracy : ±5 % of measured value if flow rate > 0.42 µL/min, 21 nL/min if flow rate < 0.42 µL/min

*Additional specifications available on the specification table

Note: FLOW UNIT M (H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 80 µL/min), L (H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 1000 µL/min) and FLOW UNIT XL (H2O full-scale flow rate: 0 - ± 5000 µL/min) are also available for specific usage. For more information, please contact us.

SPECIFICATIONS

Sensor model	FLOW UNIT series		FLOW UNIT+ series	
	XS	S	M+	L+
Performance				
Calibrated media / Liquid compatibility	Water	Water Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA)	Water Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) FCA 40 Mineral oil HFE 7500* <i>Warning: The sensor chip is not electrically isolated from the flow channel and the medium passing through it. Therefore, a voltage difference between sensor and medium should be avoided at all times. Not compatible with pluronic fluids.</i>	Water Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) FCA 40 Mineral oil HFE 7500* <i>Warning: The sensor chip is not electrically isolated from the flow channel and the medium passing through it. Therefore, a voltage difference between sensor and medium should be avoided at all times. Not compatible with pluronic fluids.</i>
Range	Water: 0±1.5 µL/min	Water: 0±7 µL/min IPA: 0±70 µL/min	Water and IPA: 0 to +/-2ml/min	Water and IPA: 0 to +/- 40ml/min
Accuracy at 23°C (m.v = measured value)	Water: 10% m.v. above 75 nL/min 7.5 nL/min below 75 nL/min	Water: 5% m.v. above 0.42 µL/min 21 nL/min below 0.42 µL/min IPA: 20% m.v. above 4.2 µL/min 210 nL/min below 4.2 µL/min	Water: 5% mv above 10µL/min 0.5µL/min below 10 µL/min IPA: 10% mv above 50 µL/min 5 µL/min below 50 µL/min	Water: 5% mv above 1mL/min 50µL/min below 1mL/min IPA: 10% mv above 2mL/min 200 µL/min below 2mL/min
Lowest detectable flow increment	3.7 nL/min	10 nL/min	0.25 µL/min	25 µL/min
Repeatability	Water <1% m.v. above 90 nL/min 0.9 nL/min below 90 nL/min	Water 0.5% m.v. above 0.7 µL/min 3.5 nL/min below 0.7 µL/min IPA 1% m.v. above 0.7 µL/min 7 nL/min below 0.7 µL/min	At 23°C Water & IPA 0.5% mv above 100µL-min 0.5µL/min below 100µL/min	At 23°C Water & IPA 0.5% mv above 2mL/min 10µL/min below 2mL/min
Mechanical specifications				
Dimensions	80 x 35 x 22 mm	80 x 35 x 22 mm	48 x 36 x 26 mm	48 x 36 x 26 mm
Length of the electrical cable	1,5m	1,5m	1,5m	1,5m
Maximum pressure	200 bar	200 bar	12 bar	12 bar
Operating temperature	+10°C ... +50°C	+10°C ... +50°C	+5°C ... +50°C	+5°C ... +50°C
Autoclavable	No	No	No	No
Wetted materials	PEEK and Quartz Glass	PEEK and Quartz Glass	PPS, stainless steel 316L Fittings :PEEK/ETFE	PPS, stainless steel 316L Fittings :PEEK/ETFE
Total mass	97 g	97 g	97 g	97 g
Inner volume	1 µL	1.5 µL	~ 28 µL	~ 58 µL
Sensor inner diameter	25 µm	150 µm	400 µm	1.4 mm
Fluid connector ports	UNF 6-40 for 1/32" OD tubing	UNF 6-40 for 1/32" OD tubing	UNF ¼"-28 flat bottom for 1/16" OD tubing	UNF ¼"-28 flat bottom for 1/16" OD tubing

* By default calibration water, but can change using OxyGEN software or FEZ on local mode.

CERTIFICATION

The FLOW UNIT series are CE and RoHS compliant. FLUIGENT SA is ISO 9001 certified since 2010.



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