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WORLD'S ONLY SENSOR FOR DISSOLVED N<sub>2</sub>O



## N<sub>2</sub>O Wastewater System

Solution for direct measuring, minimizing, and reporting of  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N}_2\mathsf{O}}$  from wastewater treatment

The  $N_2O$  Wastewater System is the world's only sensor for direct and real-time measurement of dissolved nitrous oxide ( $N_2O$ ) in wastewater. Together with new control and process strategies, it enables reduction of total carbon footprint.

### Large impact of $N_2O$ on carbon footprint

 $N_2O$  is a product of both nitrification and denitrification during the biological treatment of wastewater. Through aeration it is subsequently striped and released into the atmosphere.  $N_2O$  is a highly disregarded greenhouse gas with a global warming potential 320 times higher than  $CO_2$ . Traditionally,  $N_2O$  emission from wastewater

treatment plants has been estimated by use of the IPCC emission factor of 3.2 g/PE/year N<sub>2</sub>O-N. This factor is an underestimate and studies in the Netherlands, France, USA, and Australia have shown, that for some wastewater treatment plants, the N<sub>2</sub>O emission can account for up to 90% of their total carbon footprint.

### Real-time emission estimation

Long term studies have documented a high level of performance, sensitivity, and durability of the N<sub>2</sub>O Wastewater Sensor qualifying it as the perfect and reliable tool for continuous online measurements of dissolved N<sub>2</sub>O. Moreover, direct comparison with well-controlled off-gas data has proven and validated the real-time emission data based on our N<sub>2</sub>O sensor output.



## N<sub>2</sub>O wastewater system

- Measuring and assessing the amounts of N<sub>2</sub>O being produced during wastewater treatment
- Minimizing the large climate effect of N<sub>2</sub>O by implementing new process strategies
- Reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from N<sub>2</sub>O

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#### True carbon footprint

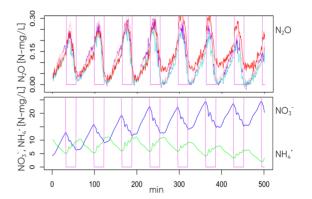
In modern wastewater treatment the primary focus on energy

savings and energy production has resulted in an increase in the production of  $N_2O$  leading to an increase in  $CO_2$  equivalent emission. Therefore it is essential to look at the whole process to document the true carbon footprint.

### Breakthrough bioprocess control with N<sub>2</sub>O sensor

Combining today's wastewater bioprocess control know-how with the new industrial sensor for  $N_2O$  provides a significant potential in reducing the environmental load caused by this potent greenhouse gas. New stateof-the-art bioprocess controls can be developed, using input from the  $N_2O$  Wastewater System, yielding a clear environmental advantage over standard control regimes.

- Cost effective compared to off-gas equipment
- Robust sensor for 24/7 operation
- Fast responding in less than one minute
- Independent of airflow during denitrification



V	N <sub>2</sub> O Wastewater Controller		N <sub>2</sub> O Wastewater Sensor
Controller	TFT-touch screen controller	Size	Robust design in 44 mm aluminium alloy casing (6063-T6) and black POM acetyl copolymer
Box size	301.5 x 283.2 x 120.5mm 3.2 kg	Response time	< 45 sec
Housing	Surface-mounted case made of plastic (ABC) IP67	Build-in tem- perature sensor	yes, N2O signal temperature compensated
Mounting	Multiple holes for surface or pipe mounting - mounting plates and weather protection canopy available	Detection limit	0.005 N <sub>2</sub> O-N [mg/L]
Sensor inputs	$2xN_2O$ Wastewater Sensor with build-in temperature sensor	Working range	0 - 1.5 N₂O-N mg/L (50 μM) Optional: 0-0.56 mg/L (20 μM) Optional: 0-800 mg/L (28 mM)
Analog sensor inputs	Optional: Air flow (m³/h), 420 mA Optional: 2 x Air flow ON/OFF (Binary input - potential-free contact)	Calibration	2-point calibration, bimonthly
Analog sensor output	2 x temperature compensated N <sub>2</sub> O value (N <sub>2</sub> O-N [mg/L]), 420 mA	Guaranteed lifetime	4 months
Analog sensor emission output	2 x Emission calculations (N2O-N [g/m³/d]) with standard fixed model parameters Optional: Dynamic input parameters	Expected lifetime	>6 months
Digital outputs	Internet, ModBus (serial or TCP) Optional: 2 x N₂O Wastewater temp. sensor Optional: PROFIBUS-DP Optional: USB datalogging - software required	N₂O Sensor head	Replaceable
Electrical safety	According to EN 61010, part 1 overvoltage category III, pollution degree 2	Cable length	5 meter standard Optional: Extension up to 100 m
Power supply	AC 110 to 240 V +10 /-15 %; 48 to 63 Hz, 55 VA	Known relevant interferences	None

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