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Incredibly fast DO measurements for any aquatic environment.



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RI.NKO is a fast-response, high-accuracy, and high-resolution dissolved oxygen (DO) sensor based on phosphorescence principle. Compared to commercial galvanic, clark-cell, and optical DO sensors, **RI.NKO** has the fastest response time of less than 1 s in air (90% response, typical). This notable feature enables DO measurements with continuous DO profiling at high speed (~ 0.5 m s⁻¹) and to acquire high resolution DO distributions.





The DO sensor is coated with photostimulable phosphor (PSP) on the outside of the pressure-resistant acrylic optical window, measuring phosphorescence quenching phase shift. The excitation blue LED pulse generates a red phosphorescence pulse, which in turn has an inverse correlation with the oxygen partial pressure in the water. Since oxygen molecules are not consumed in this process, there is NO need for stirring.

The 2-point calibration compensates the time-drift of the sensing foil, ensuring reliable and accurate DO data. The method consists in recalibrating the DO sensor in two points using an air-bubbled water for DO 100% and a sodium sulfite solution for DO 0%.

First calibration (DO 100%)



Air bubbling water



Span calibration

Second calibration (DO 0%)



Sodium sulfite solution



Zero calibration

Sensor specifications

Product name	RINKO I / RINKO II / RINKO III	
Model name	ARO-USB, ARO-CAR/CAD, ARO-CAV-CM	
Parameter	DO	Temperature
Principle	Phosphorescence	Thermistor
Range	Air saturation 0 to 200%	-3 to 45 °C
Resolution	0.01 to 0.04%	0.001 °C
Accuracy	Non-linearity ±2% of full scale (at 1 atm, 25 °C)	±0.02 °C (ARO-CAV: 3 to 31 °C) (Others: 0 to 35 °C)



RINKO I



RI.VKO I (ARO-USB) is an autonomously deployable data logger. The instrument has various operating modes, offering flexibility when carring out observations. The compact housing containing the data logger and batteries allows for being easily integrated on deffierent platforms.

RINKO II

RINKO II (ARO-CAR/CAD) is a digital output model. The instrument can be easily integrated on various platforms (e.g., gliders) since it works with RS-232C (CAR) or RS-485 (CAD) communication protocols and external power (12 – 24 VDC).



RINKO III



RINKO III (ARO-CAV-CM) is an analog output model. It is powered by an external power (12 - 24 VDC) and seamlessly outputs the alalog data (0 - 5 V). **RINKO III** can be easily installed on various platforms and provides high accurate DO data without limiting profiling speed.



RINKO on CTD-RMS



RINKO on Glider



Instrument specifications

Product name	RINKO I		
Model name	ARO-USB		
Measuring mode	Continuous mode, Burst mode		
Measuring interval	0.1 to 0.9 s (0.1 s increment), 1 to 600 s (1 s increment)		
Burst sampling interval	1 to 1,440 min		
Number of samples	1 to 18,000		
Memory medium	1 GB miniSD card		
Communication	USB 2.0 (ver. 1.1 compatible)		
AD converter	16 bit digital conversion		
Battery	CR-V3 3.3Ah Lithium battery / max 2 pieces		
Current drain	125 mA		
Material	Titanium (Ti-6AI-4V)		
Dimensions	Φ54 × 235.5 mm		
Weight	Approx. 0.9 kg in air, 0.6 kg in water		
Pressure rating	7,000 m depth equivalent		
Product name	RINKO II	RINKO III	
Model name	ARO-CAR/CAD	ARO-CAV-CM	
Signal output	CAR: RS-232C, CAD: RS-485	0 to 5 V analog	
Communication	Handshake	-	
AD converter	16 bit digital conversion	-	
Power	12 to 24 VDC		
Current drain	35 mA		
Material	Titanium (grade 2)	Titanium (Ti-6AI-4V)	
Dimensions	Φ54 × 185 mm (w/o connector)	Φ54 × 164.5 mm (w/o connector)	
Weight	Approx. 0.5 kg in air, 0.3 kg in water	Approx. 0.8 kg in air, 0.5 kg in water	
Pressure rating	1,000 m depth equivalent	7,000 m depth equivalent	
Connector	Fixed type (standard) or detachable type	Standard: MCBH8MTI or	
		Option: AG306-HP	

Drawings



Dimensions are in mm.

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