

Nitrous Oxide process sensor for online wastewater treatment optimization, low-cost greenhouse gas reduction, and reliable sustainability accounting



N₂O Wastewater Sensor

Detection limit:

Standard Range: $0.005~N_2O-N~mg/L$ Medium Range: $0.03~N_2O-N~mg/L$ High Range: $0.4~N_2O-N~mg/L$

Measuring range:

Standard Range: 0-1.5 N₂O-N mg/L Medium Range: 0-9 N₂O-N mg/L High Range: 0-110 N₂O-N mg/L

Calibration:

2-point calibration, every 2nd month

Expected lifetime of sensor heads:

>6 months





N₂O Wastewater Controller

Data outputs:

Digital: Modbus (serial or TCP)

Analogue: 4-20mA Optional: PROFIBUS-DP

Optional: USB data-logging-software required

Display:

TFT-touch screen controller

Power supply:

AC 110 to 240 V +10/-15 %; 48 to 63 Hz, 55 VA



Why You Should Measure N₂O Emissions

Nitrous oxide (N_2O) is produced during wastewater treatment and released into the atmosphere through stripping by aeration. N_2O is formed when process conditions for nitrogen conversion are not ideal.

With N_2 O's global warming potential 273 times higher than CO_2 , studies reveal it can comprise up to 90% of a wastewater plant's carbon footprint. Estimating solely through emission factors overlooks seasonal and site-specific variations, leading to uncertain sustainability reporting.

Real-time N_2O measurement empowers operators to accurately assess direct emissions and optimize their processes for reduced environmental impact.

How the N₂O Wastewater System Works

The N_2O Wastewater System includes a controller and 1-2 sensors with cables of 5-100 meters length.

The sensor measures dissolved nitrous oxide (N_2O) in real-time in wastewater, providing continuous online data to detect trends and correlations with other parameters. It allows for advanced process control strategies.

Installation is straightforward, with minimal maintenance - calibrate the sensor every two months and replace the sensor head twice a year.

Data is stored on the controller and can be transmitted to the treatment plant's control system for emission calculations.

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