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Thank you for your interest in our UV detection solutions. In this catalog, you will find dedicated sections describing the full breadth of sglux’ product offerings. In this catalog you will find discussions on the applications, tutorials on the technology and UV measurements, and information on sensor selection. The enclosed information should allow you to appropriately select the sensor you need for your specific application.

Sections:

- SiC UV Photodiodes
- UV TOCONS
- UV Probes
- Displays
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- UV Spectrometer
- UV-Index Measurement

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GENERAL INFORMATION
about the sglux SiC UV photodiodes

About the material SiC
Applications that require UV photodiodes differ widely in required detector properties as well as in spectral and absolute sensitivity. In the field of flame detection very low radiation intensity must be reliably detected. The monitoring of UV purification lamps needs UV photodiodes that will operate in high UV brightness without degradation for many years. Monitoring of very powerful UV radiation emitted by UV curing lamps or LED arrays requires UV photodiodes that endure extreme UV radiation intensity. Monitoring the sun's UV, in particular the erythemal part of the sunlight requires photodiodes with perfect visible blindness and carefully tailored spectral response in the UV region. Customers that apply Silicon Carbide UV photodiodes to these applications make the best choice within all these application variables. They profit from the very low dark current, near perfect visible blindness, bullet proof radiation hardness and low temperature coefficient of the signal, 0.1%/K. Operating temperature range is up to 170°C.

Our own SiC wafer production since 2009
Since 2009 sglux has produced its own SiC photodiodes, multielement linear SiC spectrometer arrays and SiC-quadrant chips. The sglux R&D team has almost 20 years of experience in producing UV sensitive semiconductor chips. This skill powered the SiC R&D work focusing on extreme radiation hardness. The German PTB in 2011 measured that the radiation hardness of the sglux SiC UV chips has improved by factor of two compared to 1st generation SiC, sensing chips produced by Cree, Inc. until 2007. Furthermore the visible blindness of the sglux chips was improved by five orders of magnitude compared with Cree SiC chips and now totals more than ten orders of magnitude of visible blindness. Please also refer to our list of publications (p. 17) of this catalog.

Photodiode amplification
In order to benefit from the superior properties of SiC UV photodiodes, carefully designed and produced amplifiers made of superior components are needed. Page 15 informs users about how to assemble and adjust such amplifiers. We support developers with a broad selection of ready-to-use amplifier modules. The sglux TOCON series are hybrid photodetectors in a TO5 housing that include such an amplifier stage and output a voltage of 0 to 5V. Please find more information about the TOCONS and the amplifiers at the sglux web-page.

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Rev. 7.0 Due to our strive for continuous improvement, specifications are subject to change within our PCN policy according to JESD46C.
OVERVIEW AT THE PORTFOLIO

that ranges from 0.06 mm² until 36.00 mm² active area photodiodes with different housings, simple optics filtered for UVA, UVB, UVC or UV-Index spectral response

Nomenclature

The UV photodiodes follow the below nomenclature. All part numbers start with SG01 indicating a sglux SiC UV photodiode. The following table shows the selection opportunities:

Further information

• use our interactive SiC UV photodiode finder: www.sglux.de/en/product-configurator
• call us +49 30 53015211 or send us an email: welcome@sglux.com
• study the background information shown at the following pages of this catalog
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1.0 Selection of the chip active area (photocurrent limits)

The chip active area determines how many photons can be collected by a photodetector. Semiconductor detectors, such as SiC UV photodiodes, convert photons into an electrical current, the photocurrent $I$. This photocurrent rises linearly with the irradiation power and the chip active area. sglux produces seven different area sizes:

- $A_1 = 0.06 \text{ mm}^2$ (S-type)
- $A_2 = 0.20 \text{ mm}^2$ (M-type)
- $A_3 = 0.50 \text{ mm}^2$ (D-type)
- $A_4 = 1.00 \text{ mm}^2$ (L-type)
- $A_5 = 1.82 \text{ mm}^2$ (F-type)
- $A_6 = 7.60 \text{ mm}^2$ (XL-type)
- $A_7 = 36 \text{ mm}^2$ (XXL-type)

As the detector price rises with increasing active area, the area selection basically is a compromise between costs and current.

If you know the minimum and maximum irradiance you like to measure with the UV photodiode the following simplified formula (1) shows a rough estimation of the photocurrent $I$ given a particular chip active area $A_{\text{chip}}$:

$$I = A_{\text{chip}} \cdot E_\lambda \cdot 1.000$$ (1)

where $I$ is the photocurrent in nA, $A_{\text{chip}}$ is the chip active area in $\text{mm}^2$ (enter values of 0.06 or 0.2 or 0.5 or 1 or 1.82, 7.6 or 36) and $E_\lambda$ is the spectral irradiance of the UV light source you like to measure in $\text{mWcm}^{-2}\text{nm}^{-1}$. You may find more information about photocurrent calculation in chapter 1.3 (Calculation of the relation between UV radiation and photocurrent), p. 7.

If you do not know the irradiance coming from your UV light source chapter 1. section 1.3 gives some examples of common UV sources.

The minimum current (photodiode output at lowest irradiance to be measured) should not fall below 500pA. The maximum current must not exceed 400mA if the component’s diode properties are to be maintained. Please refer to a detailed discussion on suitable minimum and maximum currents in the following chapters 1. section 1.1 (Problems with current too low) and 1. section 1.2 (Problems with current too high). These chapters assume a certain basic knowledge in photodiode amplifier circuits. If you are not familiar with circuits please see Appendix A (Photodiode Amplification Notes) at p. 15.
1.1 Problems with current too low

If the current is too low, one or more of the following problems (P₁ – P₄) may affect the measurement:

- **P₁**: The measurement signal comes too close to the UV photodiode dark current
- **P₂**: High resistance feedback resistors \( R_f \) must be used which causes temperature drift and non linearity problems
- **P₃**: Speed problems
- **P₄**: Risk of electromagnetic interferences

Using SiC, P₁ can be neglected due to the extremely low dark current of the sglux 4H SiC UV photodiodes of only some fA. P₂ (temperature drift and non linearity) becomes essential from values \( R_f > 10 \Omega \). Therefore, the photocurrent \( I \) should be strong enough to allow \( R_f \) values of ≤ 10 GΩ. The relation between \( I \) and \( R_f \) is given by Ohm’s law:

\[
I = \frac{U_{\text{supply}}}{R_f}
\]  

(2)

where \( U_{\text{supply}} \) is the supply voltage of the used transimpedance amplifier. A typical value is 5.00 V. Formula (2) calculates:

\[
I_{\text{min}} = \frac{5.00\text{V}}{10\text{G}\Omega} = 500\text{pA}
\]  

(3)

If a higher speed measurement is needed P₃ (speed problems) could become an issue. As the SiC UV photodiode’s detection speed is extremely high (in nanoseconds only) the amplifier speed (rise time) determines the circuit’s speed. The amplifier rise time is calculated with the following formula:

\[
\tau = R_f \cdot C_f
\]  

(4)

where \( C_f \) is the feedback capacitor value which should not be lower than 0.1 nF. A lower \( C_f \) risks hitting the circuit’s resonance. Using a \( C_f = 0.1 \text{nF} \) and a \( R_f = 10 \text{G}\Omega \) the rise time is calculated as follows:

\[
\tau = 10 \text{G}\Omega \cdot 0.1 \text{nF} = 1 \text{second}
\]  

(5)

Formula (5) shows that using a \( R_f = 10 \text{G}\Omega \) the circuit becomes very slow. If a higher speed is needed the photocurrent \( I \) must be increased to allow a decrease in the \( R_f \) value. This can be done by increasing the UV radiation or, if that is not feasible, by increasing the chip active area.

The last problem (P₄) that can be caused with too low photocurrent (= due to too small an active area) is complications from electromagnetic interferences. This is a general issue. Decreasing photocurrents call for increasing shielding efforts which then increases the system price of the product. If the radiation (and thus the current) is low one should consider using a sglux TOCON amplified hybrid UV sensor.
Conclusion of needed minimum photocurrent $I_{\text{min}}$

To achieve a stable temperature and linear photodiode-amplifier system the lowest measurement current $I_{\text{min}}$ should be higher than 500pA. If a high speed measuring circuit is needed $I_{\text{min}}$ is calculated by the following formula:

$$I_{\text{min}} = U_{\text{supply}} \cdot C_f \cdot \tau^{-1}$$  \hspace{1cm} (6)

With $U_{\text{supply}} = 5.00\text{V}$ (typical value), $C_f = 0.1\text{nF}$ (recommended value) and $R_f = 10\text{ G}\Omega$ (lowest recommended value) the formula reduces to:

$$I_{\text{min}} = 500 \cdot \tau^{-1}$$  \hspace{1cm} (7)

where $I_{\text{min}}$ results in nanoamperes (nA) and $\tau$ must be in milliseconds.

In general, given these reasons, a decreasing photocurrent needs a more advanced amplifier design and better shielding. If you are not familiar with low current circuit development you should consider selecting a higher current (and thus larger active area) photodiode even if the price of a photodiode is higher. This strategy will provide conservative results and the initial increased financial cost will save you money in the long run.

1.2 Problems with current too high

In the previous pages we discussed the calculation of a minimum recommended photodiode current. It also should be mentioned that aside from the photocurrent being too low too high of a current may cause problems as well due to saturation effects. The saturation current $I_{\text{sat}}$ of a photodiode is the current limit from which the output of a photodiode turns to arbitrary values. It is determined by the photodiode’s open circuit voltage $V_{\text{oc}}$ and its serial resistance $R_s$ following the formula below:

$$I_{\text{sat}} = \frac{V_{\text{oc}}}{R_s}$$  \hspace{1cm} (8)

A typical value (SiC photodiode) for $V_{\text{oc}}$ is 2.0V and for $R_s = 5\Omega$. The calculation is a follows:

$$I_{\text{sat}} = \frac{2.0\text{V}}{5\Omega} = 400\text{mA}.$$

The needed minimum current (500 pA) is higher than the saturation current is higher by six orders of magnitude. Reaching the saturation limit of a SiC photodiode is therefore very unlikely.
1.3 Calculation of the relation between UV radiation and photocurrent

The photocurrent $I$ is calculated by the following formula:

$$ I = \int_{400 \text{nm}}^{\infty} A_{\text{chip}} \cdot S_{\text{chip}} (\lambda) \cdot E_{\text{source}} (\lambda) d\lambda $$

where $I$ is the photocurrent in A, $A_{\text{chip}}$ is the chip active area in m$^2$, $S_{\text{chip}}$ is the chip’s spectral sensitivity in AW$^{-1}$ and $E_{\lambda}$ is the spectral irradiance of the UV light source in Wm$^{-2}$nm$^{-1}$. Due to extreme visible and IR blindness (13 orders of magnitude) the integral value from 400nm to $\infty$ can be neglected even if $E_{\text{source}}(\lambda)$ is very strong. To get a rough estimate of the photocurrent generated by a certain irradiance a simplification of (9) leads to (10). That simplification assumes that the chip’s spectral sensitivity $S$ and the UV source’s irradiance $E$ is a constant value and does not depend on wavelength. The calculation is:

$$ I = A_{\text{chip}} \cdot S_{\text{chip}} \cdot E_{\lambda} \cdot 10.000 $$

where $I$ is the photocurrent in nA, $A_{\text{chip}}$ is the chip active area in mm$^2$, $S_{\text{chip}}$ is the chip’s spectral sensitivity in AW$^{-1}$nm$^{-1}$ and $E_{\lambda}$ is the spectral irradiance of the UV light source in mWcm$^{-2}$nm$^{-1}$.

A typical value of $S_{\text{chip}}$ is 0.1 A/W. For further refinement please refer to the spectral response graph of the UV photodiode you are interested in (see Datasheet) or have a look at chapter 2.0 (Selection of the spectral response, p. 9) of this guide.

If you know the spectral irradiance range, (minimal and maximal values), of the UV light source and you would like to measure you can easily estimate the photocurrent $I$ by using formula (10) and hence select a chip active area (S-, M-, D-, L-, F-, XL- or XXL-type) that guarantees that your minimum radiation generates a photocurrent of more than 500 pA. The following table lists some common UV applications / light sources with their spectral irradiances at peak. Please note that some simplifications apply; thus the table gives a rough estimation of photocurrents for the different UV source types and different chip active areas.
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<th>Power Density</th>
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- Fe doped HG medium pressure lamp or LED

### UV Sterilisation

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- Low or medium pressure HG lamp

### Other Sources

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<tr>
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<td>10 µW/cm²</td>
<td>0.6 – 40 nA</td>
<td>2 – 500 nA</td>
<td>10 – 1800 nA</td>
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### UV-Index

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<th>F-Type</th>
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<td>Sun</td>
<td>10 µW/cm²</td>
<td>600 pA</td>
<td>2 nA</td>
<td>5 nA</td>
<td>10 nA</td>
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### Burner Flame Detection

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<tr>
<td>Gas or Oil Flame</td>
<td>10 nW/cm²</td>
<td>600 fA</td>
<td>2 pA</td>
<td>5 pA</td>
<td>10 pA</td>
<td>18 pA</td>
<td>40 pA</td>
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- 100 pA with “LENS” feature or use a TOCON
- 250 pA with “LENS” feature or use a TOCON
- 500 pA with “LENS” feature or use a TOCON
- 900 pA with “LENS” feature or use a TOCON

### Comments:

- **Lacquer Hardening**
  - S-chip is best. M, D, L, F, XL chips would work but are not needed.

- **UV Sterilisation**
  - S-chip is best. M, D, L, F, XL chips would work but are not needed.

- **Other Sources**
  - All chips are suited. Speed is the main consideration when selecting a chip being mindful of linearity and temperature dependence values. Please contact us for further refinement.
• **UV-Index**

S-Chips are too small for this application. All other chips can be applied. The reliability increases with increasing chip active area. Due to very low current the use of a TOCON (amplified hybrid sensor) should be considered.

• **Burner flame detection**

All chips are too small for this type of detection. A burner flame can be detected with the photodiode „SG01M-5Lens“ or „SG01D-5Lens“ or „SG01L-5Lens“ or „SG01F-5Lens“. This sensor works with a concentrating lens. Alternatively the photodiode SG01F-5ISO90 (1.82 mm² active area) can be applied. However, this photodiode needs an external concentrator lens. Please refer to chapter 4.0. (Special features), for more information. Another approach is to use a sglux TOCON_ABC1 sensor with its included amplifier. The TOCON_ABC1 converts 0-18 nW/cm² radiation into a 0-5 V output voltage.
2.0 Selection of the spectral response
This chapter assists in the selection of a spectral response profile best suited for the measurement. All sglux 4H SiC UV photodiodes provide an extreme visible/IR blindness of more than ten orders of magnitude. That means that the UV photodiodes reliably only measure the UV part of a radiation spectrum (and not the visible and/or infrared part), even if visible light or infrared radiation is strongly present. This is a unique feature of the semiconductor material SiC. Currently no other material provides that extreme visible blindness.

2.1 Unfiltered SiC
The following graph shows the spectral curve of an unfiltered 4H SiC UV photodiode.

The curve's maximum is at approximately 280 nm. The response falls down to 10% of maximum at 221 nm, (UVC edge) and 358 nm, (UVA edge). Unfiltered SiC is the standard application and can be used for any UV measurements where the whole UV band needs to be measured or a quasi monochromatic UV source (such as low pressure lamps) is controlled.
2.2 Filtered SiC

Some applications require measurement of one particular part of the UV radiation spectrum, and it is essential that other UV radiation parts do not contribute to the photodiode's current. This requirement usually arises from standards as DVGW W294/2006 or CIE087 (UV-Index) etc. Other applications for filtered photodiodes are UVA-UVB-UVC selective sensor probes. sglux produces four different filtered SiC UV photodiode types.

- UVA (max = 331 nm)
- UVB (max = 280 nm)
- UVC (max = 275 nm)
- UV-Index (following CIE087 curve)

The following graph shows the four different spectra.

The graph assigns the filtered photodiode’s spectral response to an individual wavelength. The following table extracts the most important specifications.

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<th>WAVELENGTH of max.</th>
<th>SENSITIVITY at max.</th>
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<td>no filter</td>
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<td></td>
<td>&gt;10^10</td>
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<tr>
<td>broadband UV</td>
<td>280 nm</td>
<td>0.130 A/W</td>
<td>221 nm</td>
<td>358 nm</td>
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<tr>
<td>UVA</td>
<td>331 nm</td>
<td>0.037 A/W</td>
<td>309 nm</td>
<td>367 nm</td>
<td>&gt;10^10</td>
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<td>UVB</td>
<td>280 nm</td>
<td>0.125 A/W</td>
<td>231 nm</td>
<td>309 nm</td>
<td>&gt;10^10</td>
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<tr>
<td>UVC</td>
<td>275 nm</td>
<td>0.120 A/W</td>
<td>225 nm</td>
<td>287 nm</td>
<td>&gt;10^10</td>
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<td>ERYTHEMA</td>
<td>280 nm</td>
<td>0.125 A/W</td>
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Other spectral specifications are available on request.
### 3.0 Packaging features

All sglux SiC UV photodiodes use a hermetically sealed melted window metal package. Each photodiode is gross and fine leak tested before sales. Two different sizes, (TO18 and TO5), with corresponding different heights and pin terminals are offered.

The reason for the different packaging types are technical in nature, (field of view, electrically floating housing, etc.) or just to allow the replacement of a previously applied photodiode by keeping the geometric parameters (footprint).

### 3.1 Overview

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<td>TO18 Ni plated housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 5.2 mm height two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated).</td>
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<td>TO18 Ni plated housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 5.2 mm height three gold plated pins (Anode and Cathode isolated, additional third pin for optional grounding of the body).</td>
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<td>TO18 Ni plated short housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 3.7 mm height two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated). Not available with filters.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>TO5 Ni plated housing, 9.2 mm diameter, 4.3 mm height (unfiltered photodiodes), 6.7 mm height (filtered photodiodes), two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated).</td>
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<td><img src="image5.png" alt="Image" /></td>
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<td>TO5 Ni plated housing, 9.2 mm diameter, 4.2 mm height (unfiltered photodiodes), 6.7 mm height (filtered photodiodes), three gold plated pins (Anode and Cathode isolated, additional third pin for optional grounding of the body).</td>
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3.2 Drawings

Selection code “18” → TO18 Ni plated housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 5.2 mm height two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated).

Selection code “18ISO90” → TO18 Ni plated housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 5.2 mm height three gold plated pins (Anode and Cathode isolated, additional third pin for optional grounding of the body).

Selection code “18S” → TO18 Ni plated short housing, 5.5 mm diameter, 3.7 mm height two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated). Not available with filters.
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Selection Code "5" (photodiodes without filters) → TO5 Ni plated housing, 9.2 mm diameter, 4.3 mm height, two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated).

Selection Code "5" (photodiodes with filters) → TO5 Ni plated housing, 9.2 mm diameter, 6.7 mm height, two gold plated pins (Anode grounded and Cathode isolated).

4.0 Special features

Besides the three main selection criteria chip active area, spectral response and packaging details some special features can be added to the photodiode’s properties. These special features are useful if the UV radiation is extremely high or low or if a cosine FOV is needed. The below table shows the selectable special features.

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<td>Lens</td>
<td>Concentrating lens creating a virtual active area of 55 * real active area. This approximately multiplies the current by factor 55 while using the same chip active area. A disadvantage is a strongly reduced field of view compared with the flat window type.</td>
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<td>MEGA</td>
<td>special attenuated photodiode for very strong UV radiation up to 0.5 W/cm²</td>
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<tr>
<td>GIGA</td>
<td>special attenuated photodiode for extreme UV radiation up to 7 W/cm²</td>
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<tr>
<td>DIFFUSOR</td>
<td>with anorganic diffusor for cosine correction</td>
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Appendix A – Photodiode amplification notes

For a correct reading of the photodiode the current (and not the voltage) must be analyzed. This requires a short circuiting of the photodiode. Usual approaches are using a Picoamperemeter e.g. produced by Keithley or a transimpedance amplifier circuit as shown below.

The adjacent design gives an example of a simple amplifier circuit. At the left side the photodiode is shown. The upper connection is the cathode (isolated pin of the photodiode) and the lower connection is the anode (usually grounded pin of the photodiode).

We recommend using a Texas Instruments LMC6001 transimpedance amplifier.
Upgrade to a TOCON or a PROBE

TOCONs = UV sensors with integrated amplifier

• SiC based UV hybrid detector with amplifier (0-5V output), no additional amplifier needed, direct connection to controller, voltmeter, etc.
• Measures intensities from 1,8 pW/cm² up to 18 W/cm²
• UV broadband, UVA, UVB, UVC, Erythema measurements, blue and blue+VIS
• Different upgrades such as a M12x1 housing available

Miniature housing with M12x1 thread for the TOCON series

• Miniature housing with M12x1 thread for the TOCON series
• Optional feature for all TOCON detectors
• Robust stainless steel M12x1 thread body
• Integrated sensor connector (Binder 5-Pin plug) with 2m connector cable
• Easy to mount and connect

UV probes

• Different housings e.g. with cosine response, water pressure proof or sapphire windows
• Different electronic outputs configurable (voltage, current, USB, CAN, LAN)
• Good EMC safety

Calibration service

• Different NIST and PTB traceable calibrations and measurements for all sglux sensors
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Ultraviolet (UV) TOCONS

- SiC based UV sensors with 0 to 5 V voltage output
- Measures intensities from 1.8pW/cm² up to 18W/cm²
- Broadband UV sensitivity or filtered for UVA, UVB, UVC or UV-Index spectral response
- GaP-chip based series for blue light hazard measurement

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What is a TOCON?

A TOCON is a UV photodetector that contains a SiC or a GaP detector chip and an amplifier circuit that outputs a voltage of 0 to 5V. This output voltage is linear in proportion to the UV radiation intensity reaching the SiC chip. Compared with a bare UV photodiode the TOCON’s big advantage is the amplifier’s position inside the TO5 metal housing and its close proximity to the detector. This construction protects the usually very low current levels generated by the detector chip from electromagnetic interference and also from moisture and pollution induced disturbances. A point to be considered of the TOCON is the lower dynamic range (approx. 3 orders of magnitude) compared with a SiC UV photodiode (10 orders of magnitude). To overcome this disadvantage we offer each TOCON type in many different amplification levels to avoid saturation and too low voltage output levels for nearly all applications. Please consult the selection guide on page 2 for assistance selecting the best suited TOCON.

About the material SiC

Most of the TOCONS are based on Silicon Carbide (SiC). Applications that require UV photodiodes differ widely in both required detector properties as well as spectral and absolute sensitivity. In the field of flame detection very low radiation intensity must be reliably detected. The monitoring of UV purification lamps needs UV photodiodes without degradation for many years under high UV flux. Monitoring very powerful UV radiation emitted by UV curing lamps or LED arrays require UV photodiodes that endure extreme UV radiation. Monitoring the sun’s UV, in particular the erythemal intensity of the sunlight requires photodiodes with a near-perfect visible blindness and carefully tailored spectral response in the UV region. Customers that apply Silicon Carbide UV photodiodes do the best selection within all fields of application. They profit from very low dark current, near perfect visible blindness and “bullet proof” radiation hardness.

Our own SiC wafer production since 2009

Since 2009 sglux produces SiC photodiodes, SiC spectrometer arrays and SiC 4-quadrant chips. The sglux R&D team has almost 20 years of experience in producing UV sensitive semiconductor chips. This skill powered the SiC R&D work focusing on extreme radiation hardness. The German PTB in 2011 measured that the radiation hardness of the sglux SiC UV chips has improved by factor of two compared to UV sensing chips produced by Cree, Inc. until 2007. Furthermore the visible blindness of the sglux chips could be improved by five orders of magnitude compared with Cree SiC chips now totaling to more than ten orders of magnitude of visible blindness. Please also refer to our list of publications (p. 10) of this catalog.
Some examples for different applications:

- **TOCON_ABC1** for flame detection
- **TOCON_C7** for water purification control
- **TOCON_E2** for UV-index measurements
Selection of spectral response

The TOCONs are available with six different spectral responses, Broadband UV “ABC”, UVA “A”, UVB “B”, UVC “C” and Erythema Curve “E” (also useful for other selective UVB/UVC measurements) and blue light “BLUE” and “GaP” for near UV (UVA+blue+VIS). The below table shows the spectral response of the different TOCONs. For detailed specification please refer to our model overview (page 6) and the datasheet.

![Graph showing spectral response curves for different TOCONs]
Selection of sensitivity range

The selection of the sensitivity range must be thorough. If the TOCON is too sensitive it will saturate below the upper limit of the radiation range to be measured. Conversely, a TOCON that is too insensitive gives no or a too low voltage output. Thus, for dynamic range selection, please estimate, it is best to calculate what is the max. radiation your TOCON must measure without getting saturated (the sensor will not be damaged if saturated). If not possible, we recommend to procure two samples with different sensitivities and have an experiment. The related min. radiation is lower by approx. factor 5000 – if the TOCON is powered with 5V. It is possible to power the TOCON with lower voltages down to 2.5V. However, this will reduce the dynamic range by factor 5V/V_{supply}. The graph below shows the sglux TOCONs offered spread out over a radiant intensity range of 13 orders of magnitude. The dynamic range is determined by the numeric suffix from “1” = very sensitive for very low UV radiation (e.g. a flame) to “10” = very unsensitive for very strong radiation (e.g. curing source). For detailed specification please refer to our model overview (page 6) and the datasheet.
HOW TO USE A TOCON?
The 0 to 5V output voltage can be directly connected to a voltmeter or a controller.
The TOCON is to be supplied with a voltage of $V_{\text{supply}} = 2.5 - 5 \text{ V}_{\text{DC}}$ between pin $V_s$ and pin $\text{GND}$. The voltage output signal is measured between pin $\text{OUT}$ and pin $\text{GND}$.

PRODUCT DETAILS OF ALL TOCONS

**General specifications**

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<td>$T_{\text{sold}}$</td>
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**Maximum Ratings**

- **Operating Temperature Range**: $-25$ ... +85 °C
- **Storage Temperature Range**: -40 ... +100 °C
- **Soldering Temperature (3s)**: 300 °C

**General Characteristics**

- **Supply voltage**: $V_{\text{supply}}$, $V_{\text{sat}}$, $V_{\text{offset}}$, $V_{\text{supply} \cdot 5\%}$
- **Saturation voltage**: $V_{\text{sat}}$
- **Dark offset voltage**: $V_{\text{offset}}$
- **Temperature coefficient**: $T_{\text{c}}$
- **Current consumption**: $I$
- **Bandwidth (~3 dB)**: $Q$
- **Risetime (10–90%)**: $t_{\text{rise}}$

(Other risetimes on request)

**Spectral Characteristics ($T = 25^\circ\text{C}, V_{\text{supply}} = +5V$)**

- **Typical respons. at peak wavelength**: $S_{\text{max}}$
- **Wavelength of max. spectral responsivity**: $\lambda_{\text{max}}$
- **Responsivity range ($S = 0.1 \cdot S_{\text{max}}$)**: $S$
- **SiC Visible blindness ($S_{\text{max}} / S_{\lambda>405nm}$)**: $V_B$

$S_{\text{max}}$, $\lambda_{\text{max}}$, $S$, $V_B$ see next pages. $S_{\text{max}} / S_{\lambda>405nm}$, $V_B > 10^{10}$ (SiC)
## TOCON model overview

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**UVC selective (SiC)** Peak wavelength = 275 nm / sensivity range (S = 0.1*S_max) = 225 nm–287 nm; complies with DVGW W294(3) and ÖNorm TOCON C 2 1.80E–08 1.80E–04 Low UVC radiation detection, occupational safety TOCON C 3 1.80E–07 1.80E–03 UVC radiation detection, occupational safety TOCON C 4 1.80E–06 1.80E–02 UVC irradiation measurement TOCON C 5 1.80E–05 1.80E–01 Purification lamp control TOCON C 6 1.80E–04 1.80E+00 Purification lamp control TOCON C 7 1.80E–03 1.80E+01 Purification lamp control TOCON C 8 1.80E–02 1.80E+02 Curing lamp control TOCON C 9 1.80E–01 1.80E+03 Curing lamp control


**Accessories**

- **TOCON housing** miniature stainless steel housing (M12x1) with TOCON installed and removable 5-pin connector with 2m cable, easy to mount and connect, robust thread body, suitable for all TOCONs
- **TOCON PTFE housing** miniature PTFE housing (M12x1) with TOCON installed and removable 5-pin connector with 2m cable, easy to mount and connect, dirt repellent
- **TOCON Water housing** miniature water pressure proof (10 bar) housing with G1/4" thread with TOCON installed and removable 5-pin connector with 2m cable, easy to mount and connect, dirt repellent
- **TOCON Starter Kit** Kit for initial testing setup, includes a TOCON socket, two banana plugs to connect with a voltmeter and a 9V block battery

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**Application note for TOCONs**

The TOCONs need a supply voltage of $V_{\text{supply}} = 2.5$ to $5 \text{VDC}$ and can be directly connected to a controller or voltmeter. Please note that the theoretical maximum signal output is always a little less (approx. 5%) than the supply voltage. To learn more about perfect use of the TOCONs please refer to the TOCON FAQ list published at www.sglux.com. **CAUTION!** Wrong wiring leads to destruction of the device. For easy setup of the device please ask for a TOCON starter kit that contains a ready to use wired socket, a connector to a $9 \text{V}$ battery, 2 banana plugs for $V_{\text{out}}$. 
Accessories

TOCON steel housing 24 V
- Small housing for the TOCON series
- Supply voltage 5 to 24 V
- Robust stainless steel M12x1 thread body
- Integrated sensor connector (Binder 4-Pin plug) with 2m connector cable
- Easy to mount and connect

TOCON PTFE housing 24 V
- Small housing for the TOCON series
- Supply voltage 5 to 24 V
- Material teflon (PTFE) M12x1 thread body, dirt-repellent, water proof at wetside (IP68), wide cosine field of view
- Integrated sensor connector (Binder 4-Pin plug) with 2m connector cable
- Easy to mount and connect, cleanable

TOCON water 24 V
- Miniature housing for the TOCON series
- Supply voltage 5 to 24 V
- G1/4" thread, material Teflon (PTFE)
- 10 bar water pressure proof
- Integrated sensor connector (Binder 4-Pin plug) with 2m connector cable
- Easy to mount and connect

Plastic probes for TOCON series
- UV probes in small plastic housings with a TOCON inside
- Customized housings available
- Easy to mount and to connect
- Integrated sensor connector (Binder 4-Pin plug)
- Connector cable available

TOCON Starter kit
- Optional feature for all TOCON detectors
- kit for easy initial testing setup
- output voltage 0 to 5 V
- 9 V block battey included, easy connection via banana plug ground
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SiC Ultraviolet (UV) Probes

- Various optics and housings tailored for individual conditions of use
- 0 to 5 V voltage, 4 to 20 mA current loop or digital interface (CAN or USB) output options
- SiC photodiode chip based Broadband UV sensitivity or filtered for UVA, UVB, UVC or UV-Index spectral sensitivity
GENERAL INFORMATION

about the sglux UV sensor probes

All sglux UV sensor probes contain a UV photodiode and an electronic circuitry to generate the desired signal output. That can be a voltage, a current or a digital information stream. The applications of UV sensor probes are quite varied and include use and survival at high temperatures, in rain, under water as well as in normal environments. Therefore the required optics, environmental endurance, spectral responsivity and electronic output interface must be tailored for individual conditions of use.

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Most of the UV probes base on Silicon Carbide (SiC) detector chips. A GaP-chip based series is available for blue light hazard measurement. Applications that require UV photodiodes differ widely in required detector properties as well as in spectral and absolute sensitivity. In the field of flame detection a very low radiation intensity must be reliably detected. The monitoring of UV purification lamps needs UV photodiodes that will operate in high UV brightness without degradation for many years. Monitoring of very powerful UV radiation emitted by UV curing lamps or LED arrays requires UV photodiodes that endure extreme UV radiation intensity. Monitoring the sun’s UV, in particular the erythemal part of the sunlight requires photodiodes with perfect visible blindness and carefully tailored spectral response in the UV region. Customers that apply Silicon Carbide UV photodiodes to these applications make the best choice within all these application variables. They profit from the very low dark current, near perfect visible blindness, bullet proof radiation hardness (resistance to aging under high UV dose) and low temperature coefficient of the signal, ~ 0.1%/K.

Our own SiC wafer production since 2009

Since 2009 sglux has produced its own SiC photodiodes, multielement linear SiC spectrometer arrays and SiC-quadrant chips. The sglux R&D team has almost 20 years of experience in producing UV sensitive semiconductor chips. This skill powered the SiC R&D work focusing on extreme radiation hardness. The German PTB in 2011 measured that the radiation hardness of the sglux SiC UV chips has improved by factor of two compared to 1st generation SiC, sensing chips produced by Cree, Inc. until 2007. Furthermore the visible blindness of the sglux chips was improved by five orders of magnitude compared with Cree SiC chips and now totals more than ten orders of magnitude of visible blindness. Please also refer to our list of publications (p. 11) of this catalog.
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### OVERVIEW OF THE FIXED AND VARIABLE PROPERTIES

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<td>CAN = 2 m cable with 8 pin male connector (to converter or else)</td>
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<td>USB = with 1.5 m cable with USB-A plug</td>
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<td>Measuring Range</td>
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</table>

The measuring range of **analog sglux UV sensors** is 3 orders of magnitude corresponding to 5 mV to 5 V or 4.02 mA to 20 mA output. The highest sensitivity range is 1 nW/cm² to 1 µW/cm². The lowest sensitivity range is 20 mW/cm² to 20 W/cm². The **digital sglux UV sensors** contain an integrated microprocessor that converts the UV radiation into 125kbit/s digital CAN bus data. A large dynamic range of 5 orders of magnitude allows to measure low radiation and strong radiation without changing the probe. Customers may specify any range between the mentioned limits.
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AVAILABLE PROBE HOUSINGS

**UV-Surface** → Top looking surface-mount UV sensor
For UV radiation reference measurements of radiation exposed to a surface (diameter 38 mm).

**UV-Air** → Threaded body UV sensor
With M22x1.5 thread for many mounting possibilities i.e. inside UV radiation chambers.

**UV-Cosine** → Waterproof cosine corrected UV sensor for outdoor use
Stain repellent for outdoor or in-water measurements. Particularly suited for UV-Index measurements. (M20x1.5)

**UV-Water-G3/4** → 10 bar water pressure proof UV sensor with G3/4” thread
Used in pressurized water systems. Suited for low and medium pressure lamps.

**UV-Water-PTFE** → 10 bar water pressure proof UV sensor with G1/4” thread
Used in pressurized water systems. Suited for low pressure lamps.

**UV-DVGW** → UV sensor for DVGW (40°) certified water purifiers
Complies with standard DVGW294-3(2006), suited for certified water purifiers.

**UV-DVGW-160** → UV sensor for DVGW (160°) and ÖNORM certified water purifiers
Complies with standard DVGW294-3(2006) and ÖNORM 5873-2, suited for certified water purifiers with 160° FOV.

**UV-Cure** → Sensor for strong UV irradiation, working temperature up to 170° (338°F)
To control curing processes or other high temperature operations where strong UV light is present. (M22x1.5)

**TOCON-Probe** → Miniature UV sensor
Miniature UV sensor in M12x1 housing. Available with 0 to 5 V voltage output.

ACCESSORIES FOR ANALOG SENSOR PROBES

**Sensor Monitor 5.0**
measuring and control module

**RADIkon**
converter box and measurement controller

ACCESSORIES FOR DIGITAL SENSOR PROBES

**UVTOUCH** →
digital multi-channel UV radiometer

**DIGIBOX** →
CAN-to-USB converter

**Control Pad** →
windows 8 based 10.1” tablet computer display unit

WINDOWS

**WIN294** →
measurement window acc. to DVGW 294-3 and ÖNORM M5873

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**UV sensor “UV-SURFACE”**

This UV sensor is used for UV radiation reference measurements on surfaces exposed to UV light. It is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration. Cosine correction is available on request.

**UV sensor “UV-AIR”**

This UV sensor is a sensor with a male threaded body (M22x1.5). It is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.
UV sensor “UV-COSINE”

This UV sensor is a cosine corrected waterproof sensor with a male threaded body (M20x1.5). The PTFE housing is stain repellent. This UV sensor is suited for outdoor or in-water UV measurements. It is particularly suited for UV-Index measurements. The UV sensor is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.

UV sensor “UV-WATER-G3/4”

This UV sensor is a waterproof (10 bar or 145 psi) sensor with a male threaded body (G3/4") to be used in pressurized water systems. It is suited for low and medium pressure lamps. The UV sensor is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.
**UV sensor “UV-WATER-PTFE”**

This UV sensor is a waterproof (10 bar or 145 psi) sensor with a G1/4” thread to be used in pressurized water systems. The sensor housing is made of Teflon (PTFE). The sensor is suited for low pressure lamps. The UV sensor is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.

**UV sensor “UV-DVGW”**

This UV sensor is a special sensor for DVGW certified water purifiers with 40° field of view. It complies with the standard DVGW W294-3(2006). It is always delivered calibrated according to DVGW requirements. A water-proof measurement window (“WIN294”) is available.
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UV sensor “UV-DVGW-160”

This UV sensor is a special sensor for DVGW and ÖNORM certified water purifiers with 160° field of view. Suitable for low pressure and medium pressure lamps. It complies with the standard DVGW W294-3(2006) and ÖNORM 5873-2. The UV sensor is always delivered calibrated according to DVGW and ÖNORM requirements. A water-proof measurement window (“WIN294”) is available.

UV sensor “UV-CURE”

This UV sensor is an axial looking sensor with a male threaded body (M22x1.5) for measurement of high UV radiation to control i.e. curing or drying processes where strong UV light is present. It works with a diffuser made of radiation hard and temperature resistant microporous quartz glass. The UV sensor is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.
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UV sensor “UV-CURE-HT”

This UV sensor is an axial looking sensor with a male threaded body (M22x1.5) for measurement of high UV radiation at high temperature (up to 170°C / 338°F) e.g. for curing and drying processes. It works with a diffuser made of radiation hard and temperature resistant microporous quartz glass and is configured with a heat resistant cable. The signal output is photocurrent (nA to µA). The UV-Cure-HT needs an external amplifier (such as the sglux RADIKON).

UV sensor “TOCON-Probe”

This UV sensor is a miniature UV sensor with a male threaded body (M12x1) configured with an amplified UV photodetector. The signal output is a voltage of 0 to 5 V. The UV sensor is available with a NIST or PTB traceable calibration.

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UV sensor “UV-SURFACE-UVI”

This UV sensor is designed for very high accuracy UV-Index measurements. The measurement mean error of this sensor is 1.3% only. The spectral response curve and the field of view (cosine type) are in near perfect accordance with the requirements defined in the ISO 17166 standard. The UV sensor is available with a PTB traceable calibration.

UV sensor “UV-COSINE-UVI”

This UV sensor is designed for very high accuracy UV-Index measurements. The measurement mean error of this sensor is 1.3% only. The spectral response curve and the field of view (cosine type) are in near perfect accordance with the requirements defined in the ISO 17166 standard. The housing is made of PTFE. It is waterproof and stain repellent with a male threaded body (M20x1.5). The UV sensor is available with a PTB traceable calibration.
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Sensor Requirements Questionnaire Sheet

STEP 1  ➔ Configuration of Normalized Spectral Responsivity

Please mark your approx. max. UV intensity to be measured. The dynamic range for analog UV sensors is 3 orders of magnitude and for digital UV sensors it is 5 orders of magnitude.

max. UV intensity: 1µW/cm² 10µW/cm² 100µW/cm² 1 mW/cm² 10mW/cm² 100mW/cm² 1 W/cm² 10 W/cm² 20 W/cm²

STEP 2  ➔ Signal Output Type Selection

Please tick your selection. The pin configuration is shown in drawings.

- **Output Type**
  - 0 to 5 V: 0 to 5 V voltage output proportional to radiation input. Supply voltage is 7 to 24VDC, current consumption is < 30 mA.
  - 4 to 20 mA: 4 to 20 mA current loop for PLC controllers. The current is proportional to the radiation, supply voltage is 24VDC.
  - CAN bus signal: VSCP protocol according to the following specifications: [http://download.sglux.de/probes-digital/vscp-protocol/](http://download.sglux.de/probes-digital/vscp-protocol/)
  - USB: The signal is transmitted via standard USB-A plug to a computer. Software and 1.5 m cable are included.

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  - USB: The signal is transmitted via standard USB-A plug to a computer. Software and 1.5 m cable are included.

- **Connection = “cable”**
  - V - = brown, V + = white, Vout = green, shield = black

- **Connection = “male plug”**
  - V - = brown, V + = white, shield = black

  **Pins 1 & 7 = CAN low**
  **Pins 3 & 8 = CAN high**
  **Pins 2 & 4 & 5 = GND**

STEP 3  ➔ Measurement Range Selection

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Radiometer Guide

- radiometric instruments for visualization and evaluation of data acquired by the sglux UV sensors

- graphic touch screen display (UVTOUCH and UV Control Pad)

- rugged version for harsh everyday use as reference radiometer or Windows based tablet computer

- miniature data loggers, one or two channels, up to two year of permanent logging with one battery
UV sensors are used in industrial, research and development, and workplace safety applications. Frequently, the measurement signal generated by the sensor is sent directly to an instrument for display. For these applications, sglux produces top quality, high reliability UV radiometers with sensors tailored to the customer’s requirements. These UV radiometers detect, measure, and store the UV sensor’s signal and provide a wide range of operational features.

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<th>Data Storage (Logger)</th>
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<td>✓</td>
<td>Any sglux UV sensor with voltage output and all photodiodes. Three fully programmable relay output terminals.</td>
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UV Radiometers

**BEGINNER - UVRRM**

- UV reference radiometer
- Suitable for UV purifier sensor recalibration
- Any sglux UV sensor can be connected
- Low power consumption, long battery life

The **UVRRM** reference radiometer is an easy to use and rugged instrument. It can be connected to any sglux UV sensor type. It is used mainly for re-calibration of UV water purifier sensors. The **UVRRM** is ready to use immediately after powering on. Its low power consumption allows using it for years without changing the battery.

**ALL-ROUNDER – UVPLPOT**

- UV radiometer based on a 8” tablet computer
- Graphic display
- Datalogger and dosimeter
- Network-compatible, multi-channel

Do you need to display more than just the current radiation intensity? Do you need additional features such as a dosimeter function, datalogging, or seeing the intensity history to be plotted on the screen? The **UVPLPOT** is a real all-round instrument for professionally displaying and processing radiation data. It can be connected to a local network via LAN or WiFi. A four-channel solution is available with the **UVMULTIPLPOT**.

**RUGGED PROFESSIONAL - UVTOUCH**

- Two-channel UV radiometer
- Graphic display
- Datalogger and dosimeter
- Rugged metal housing

In harsh conditions of every day field or laboratory use the **UVTOUCH** is a reliable and true companion. Its robustness and versatility makes the **UVTOUCH** unique in the market. The **UVTOUCH** is a two-channel graphic intensity meter, dosimeter, and datalogger. The rugged metal housing even protects against hard impacts on hard floor.
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SIMPLE – UVMINILOG AND UVMICROLOG

- UV data logger for long-time monitoring
- with one or two UV sensors
- additional sensors e.g. temperature, pressure, relative humidity, illuminance (VIS) available
- Low power consumption, long battery life, waterproof

Do you need a simple, easy to use, and waterproof UV datalogger that stores the values and does nothing else? The tiny dataloggers, UVMINILOG and UVMICROLOG, perfectly match to this requirement. They are available with one or two UV sensors. The power consumption is very low and allows for two years of permanent logging without recharging the battery.

PROGRAMMABLE – SENSORMONITOR

- Measurement and control module for monitoring and automation of irradiation processes
- Indication of radiation, dose, and status information
- Three programmable relays for automation of single and multi-level irradiation processes
- with two measurement inputs and USB/RS232 output

The SENSORMONITOR is a fully programmable measurement and control module with two sensor channels and three programmable relays. These relays switch on or off if a channel reaches or falls below a certain intensity value or if a certain dose is reached. It can be connected to a computer via USB/RS232. After programming, the SENSORMONITOR is a perfect control center for a small UV light source or to control sophisticated scientific experiments. The programming method is explained in a detailed manual. Alternatively, we are happy to do custom tailored programming.
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Ultraviolet (UV) Calibration

- Calibration service according to guidance DAkkS-DKD-MB-3 and DIN/ISO 17025
- Traceability to NIST or PTB
- Determination of the spectral responsivity of UV sensors
- Determination of the UV transmission
- Determination of the temperature dependency of UV sensors
WHAT IS CALIBRATION?

Calibration is the reliable and reproducible determination and documentation of a measurement value deviation in comparison to a standard. If the used standard is traceable and the deviation and the measurement uncertainty is determined, the procedure is a traceable calibration. The traceable standard is conducted to the definition of the SI units by an uninterrupted calibration chain.

HOW DOES A CALIBRATION LABORATORY WORK?

A calibration laboratory ensures the performance of examinations and calibrations on good practice under controlled conditions. Therefore the allocation of qualified personnel, appropriate measurement instrumentation and necessary infrastructure is required. Doing UV calibration, different interplays of sources, reference sources, spectrometers, radiometers and reference radiometers are to be analyzed.

OUR SERVICES

The UV calibration work at sglux determines the spectral responsivity of UV irradiance sensors, integral irradiance sensitivity of UV irradiance sensors, spectral emission spectrum of UV sources and transmission. We have done this service since 2010 according to guidance DAkkS-DKD-MB-3, and our calibration laboratory is ISO 9001 certified. Following our goal of continuous improvement, we have since 2010 cooperated with the German PTB (Department of Photometry and Applied Radiometry) in several R&D projects continuing until 2017. For 2018 we seek the ability of being accredited according to DIN 17025. Our mission is to deliver detailed property information along the UV measurement components we produce.

CALIBRATION PROCESS

Calibrations are performed after determination of the customer’s requirements, the field of application and the specific environmental conditions while using the UV measurement components. Our calibration laboratory uses different traceable transfer standards for the determination of the spectral responsivity and the integral irradiance sensitivity of sensors at different UV sources. The typical delivery time for a calibration is two weeks after clarification of technical details and, if necessary, the consignment of detectors or emitters.

CALIBRATION 1

Determination of the absolute spectral responsivity of sglux sensors incl. calibration certificate according to guidance DAkkS-DKD-MB-3 and DIN/ISO 17025.

CALIBRATION 2

Irradiance calibration of an sglux UV sensor for measurements at a specific UV source incl. calibration certificate according to DAkkS-DKD-MB-3 and DIN/ISO 17025.
SiC UV Spectrometer

- world’s first SiC based UV spectrometer

- The high visible blindness of SiC now allows precise UV spectrometry in the presence of strong visible radiation (no stray light effects).

- SiC’s high radiation hardness and low dark current create an enhanced dynamic range compared with Si-photodiode based spectrometers.
Together with the Berlin Ferdinand Braun Institute sglux does R&D in the area of the development of the world's first UV-spectrometers that base on the semiconductor detector material Silicon Carbide. The advantage of such kind of UV spectrometers result from the extreme radiation hardness and very high visible blindness of SiC compared with Si based UV spectrometers leading to zero stray light effects caused by visible light.

This new spectrometer technology allows precise UV spectrometry also at presence of strong visible light such as UV measurements in the bright sun or under room light. Another advantage of the SiC UV spectrometer results from the high radiation hardness and low dark current of this material. This features lead to a broader dynamic range of the spectrometer compared with conventional Si based spectrometers.

**FIRST PRODUCT “UV lineSiC128”**

A first product of this new series is available (as a pre-series version). Development work on this new series is still ongoing aim to achieve higher resolution and smaller size.

**Features of the UV lineSiC128 are:**

- 128 pixel
- wavelength sensitivity range 200...385 nm
- wavelength resolution 2.3 nm/pixel (down to 0.4 nm/pixel under development with optimized grating and doubling of pixel number)
- intensity readings: 16 Bit resolution (20 Bit under development)
- dynamic range:
  - 1.5 orders via integrator ranges,
  - 3 orders by integration time (up to 5 orders under development)
- direct sunlight measurements possible
- very low degradation of detector either at high UV intensities (compared to UV enhanced Si-based spectrometers)
UV-Index Measurement

- Photodiodes for measurement of the UV Index, various optics and detector chip areas
- UV sensors (TOCONs) with 0 to 5 V voltage output for measurement of the UV Index, various optics
- UV sensor probes for measurement of the UV Index, cosine field of view
UV-Index Measurements

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DEFINITION OF THE UV-INDEX

The UV Index is defined by ISO 17166 and quantifies the risk of sunburn (Erythema Solare) at a given solar UV exposure spectrum. Please check the video at the right column of this page for further information.

APPROACHES TO MEASURE THE UV INDEX

Precise measurement of the UV Index is usually based on data generated by spectrometers. These spectrometers measure the ultraviolet spectrum of the sun. Subsequently the UV Index is calculated by multiplication and integration of this spectrum with the human skin’s erythema action curve. A handy alternative to spectrometer based UV Index measurement is using radiometers such as photodiode based integrating sensors. This method requires precision matching of the photodiode’s spectral responsivity with the erythema action curve of the human skin and a cosine field of view. This precision is needed because the spectrum of the source (the sun) varies strongly depending on time of day, place, date, clouds, shadow and the local ozone layer thickness. A radiometer sold as an “UV Index Sensor” that does not precisely match the erythema action curve is not a valid UV Index Sensor, it is just a UV Sensor. As a result of many years of R&D the sglux ERYCA UV Index sensors nearly perfectly match the erythema action curve. The mean error is 1.3% only.

SGLUX ERYCA RADIOMETER BASED GLOBAL METEOROLOGICAL NETWORK

Since 2014 Berlin's first UV Index measuring station works on the roof of sglux's building. This station bases on a UV Index sensor probe (“UV-Cosine_UV-Index”) and a LAN transmitter module (“SKYLINK UV-transmitter”). Since October 2015 a duplicate station works in the Southern hemisphere, in Florianopolis, a city in the South of Brasil. On our website the values of these two stations are displayed.

OUR PRODUCTS

Our components and systems for measurement of the UV Index are listed on page 2. It starts with a selection of UV-Index photodiodes (external amplifier needed). Easiest to use components are the UV-Index TOCONs (photodiodes with internal amplifier for 0 to 5V voltage output). The sglux UV-Cosine_UV-Index probe is a waterproof sensor ready-to-mount outdoors with cosine field of view. To display and control the sensor’s signal sglux offers the UVTOUCH and UV Control Pad displays as well as datalogger units. Our “SKYLINK UV transmitter” unit converts the sensor’s signal into a web graph and transmits this graph to one or more multiple webpages. All items will be delivered calibrated on request.

Contact sglux and discover YOUR opportunities to precisely detect and report the sun’s UV-Index.
UV-Index Measurements
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**Photodiodes and Sensors (Measurement Mean Error < 1.3%)**

- **SiC UV photodiodes**
  UV-Index photodiodes, different active chip areas and housings, with erythema filter

- **SiC TOCONs**
  UV-Index hybrid sensor in a TO5 housing with 0 - 5 V signal output, with erythema filter

- **TOCON_PTFE24V_UVI**
  UV-Index hybrid sensor (TOCON) in PTFE housing (male thread M12x1), EMC safe, with erythema filter

- **TOCON_UVI**
  UV-Index hybrid sensor (TOCON) in PTFE housing (with G1/4” thread), EMC safe, with erythema filter

- **UV-Surface_UVI**
  Top looking surface-mount UV sensor probe with cosine FOV, EMC safe, with erythema filter

- **UV-Cosine_UVI**
  Waterproof UV-Index sensor probe with cosine FOV, EMC safe, for outdoor use, with erythema filter

**UV-Index Displays and Network Computers**

- **UV-Index reference radiometer**
  Reference radiometer for UV-Index measurements, incl. calibrated (PTB traceable) UVI sensor probe

- **Skylink UV transmitter**
  Network computer with UV-index sensor

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UV Solutions from Boston Electronics and sglux

Thank you for your interest in our UV detection solutions. In this catalog, you will find dedicated sections describing the full breadth of sglux’ product offerings. In this catalog you will find discussions on the applications, tutorials on the technology and UV measurements, and information on sensor selection. The enclosed information should allow you to appropriately select the sensor you need for your specific application.

Sections:

- SiC UV Photodiodes
- UV TOCONS
- UV Probes
- Displays
- UV Calibration
- UV Spectrometer
- UV-Index Measurement

If you wish to look at a specific data sheet, please go to our website. Also, do not hesitate to contact our applications staff so that they can answer any questions you have, and provide a quotation.

If you also have a need for UV Light Emitting Diodes (UV LEDs) please see our web site. We carry high performance, affordable solutions from Nikkiso.