# CRAB Optical sensor of the water surface oil slicks





CRAB is an easy-to-operate, active optical sensor of the water surface oil slicks. The instrument detects the presence of oil using laser sensing with a vertical spot light beam and measuring the differences in the reflection properties of water and oil products.

## **FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

- Non-contact active optical sensor, no sampling
- High sensitivity: detection of oil slicks > 0.5 micron
- Low interference from scattered radiation due to the laser emitter power
- Enhanced detection under different surface conditions: possible waviness of the wave surface up to 20°
- Conveniently mounted above the water on the customized height (up to 20m)
- The dust and waterproof housing: CRAB can be installed on a bridge, buoy, platform, etc.

## **APPLICATIONS**

- Ecological monitoring of water surfaces
- Monitoring of industrial waste water











#### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

CRAB consists of an emitter based on semiconductor laser diode and single-channel optoelectronic receiving system. The measurement data is processed by a built-in microcontroller (ATMEGA16).

After the preset time (from 30 to 60 seconds), the normalized signal is received on the analog output (current loop 4-20 mA) and the digital output (RS-485 interface) of the instrument. When the oil products appear, the signal exceeds the threshold level. At the same time, the internal relay transmitter is activated.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Sensitivity (minimal detectable oil slick thickness)	0.5 µm
Water surface agitation degree	Up to 20 ℃
Distance to the water surface	Up to 20 m
Distance to the receiving system	Up to 1000 m
Communication ports	RS485, current loop 4–20 mA
Power supply	12-15V, 0.2A
Power consumption	Up to 3W
Ambient conditions	Temperature: -10 °C to +50 °C Humidity: up to 100% (rain)
Dimensions <sup>1</sup>	160x160x110 mm 300x300x200mm
Weight	2 kg (55 lbs)

<sup>1 -</sup> At a distance up to 5m the dimensions are 160x160x90mm. If the distance is from 5m to 15m, the dimensions are up to 300x300x200mm.

## **EQUIPMENT AND OPTIONS**

- CRAB optical sensor
- Power module

# WARRANTY

CRAB optical sensors are covered by a 12-month warranty.

### **SERVICE**

Our service engineers install CRAB optical sensors at the height specified by a customer. Consultations and initial training specific to the customer needs complete the installation.



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