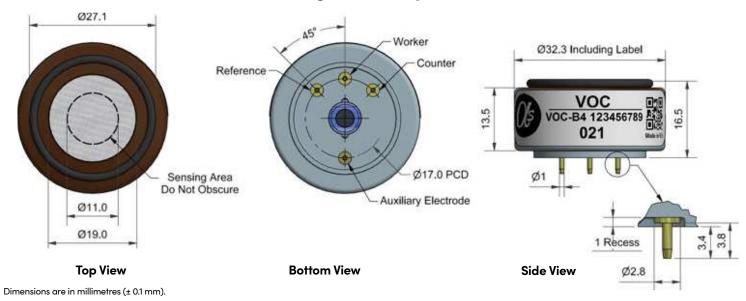




# VOC-B4 4-Electrode Volatile Organic Compound Sensor



## **Specification CO sensing**

| Performance        | Sensitivity Response time Zero current Noise* Range Linearity Overgas limit  | nA/ppm in 2ppm CO  t <sub>90</sub> (s) from zero to 2ppm CO  nA in zero air at 20°C  ±2 standard deviations (ppb equivalent)  ppm limit of performance warranty  ppm CO error at full scale, linear at zero, 10ppm CO  maximum ppm for stable response to gas pulse   | 400 to 700 < 30 ±200 20 100 ±1 1000                          |
|--------------------|--|---|--|
| Lifetime           | Zero drift<br>Sensitivity drift<br>Operating life  | ppm equivalent change/year in lab air<br>% change/year in lab air, monthly test<br>months until 50% original signal (24 month warranted)  | ±500<br>< 15<br>> 36   |
| Environmental      | Sensitivity @ -20°C<br>Sensitivity @ 50°C<br>Zero @ -20°C<br>Zero @ 50°C   | % (output @ -20°C/output @ 20°C) @ 2ppm CO<br>% (output @ 50°C/output @ 20°C) @ 2ppm CO<br>nA change from 20°C<br>nA change from 20°C   | 60 to 80<br>90 to 110<br>±20<br>1800 to 2000                 |
| Cross sensitivity  | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O sensitivity H <sub>2</sub> S sensitivity NO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity Cl <sub>2</sub> sensitivity NO sensitivity SO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity H <sub>2</sub> sensitivity C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> sensitivity NH <sub>3</sub> sensitivity CO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity | % measured gas @ <1ppm C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O % measured gas @ 5ppm H <sub>2</sub> S % measured gas @ 5ppm NO <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 5ppm Cl <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 5ppm NO % measured gas @ 5ppm SO <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 100ppm H <sub>2</sub> at 20°C % measured gas @ 40ppm C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> % measured gas @ 20ppm NH <sub>3</sub> % measured gas @ 5% vol CO <sub>2</sub> | < 100 < 350 < -80 < -40 < 30 < 80 < 50 < 120 < -0.1 < 0.1    |
| Key specifications | Temperature range Pressure range Humidity range Storage period Load resistor Weight  | °C kPa % rh continuous months @ 3 to 20°C (stored in sealed pot) Ω (AFE circuit is recommended) g   | -30 to 50<br>80 to 120<br>15 to 90<br>6<br>33 to 100<br>< 13 |



# Figure 1 Linearity from 0 to 10ppm CO

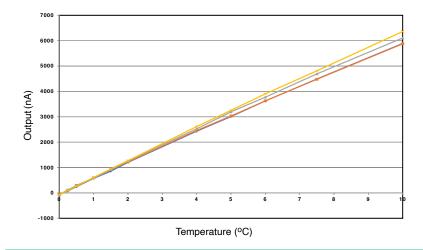


Figure 1 shows example sensor response at concentrations of up to 10ppm CO.

Figure 2 Zero Temperature Dependence

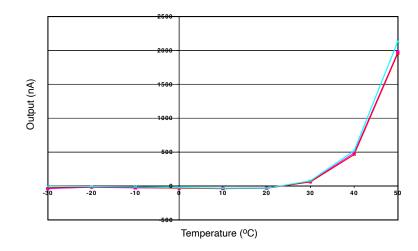


Figure 2 shows example variation in zero output of the working electrode caused by changes in temperature, expressed as nA.







# VOC-A4 4-Electrode Volatile Organic Compound Sensor

The VOC-B4 detects both VOCs and CO gases. Using both a VOC-B4 and a CO-B4 sensor in combination allows the estimation of VOC concentration at 0V bias.

The data given in this TDS refers to the use of the VOC-B4 sensor at 0V bias. Other voltages within the range 0 to 0.3V can also be applied (see application note AAN-805).

In order to calculate the VOC concentration, it is necessary to ensure the signals from the two sensors have been corrected for electronic zero offset, sensor zero offset and temperature dependence, and sensitivity (nA/ppm) calibration and temperature dependence.

#### Specification Ethanol (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O) sensing

| Performance        | Sensitivity Response time Zero current Noise Range Linearity Overgas limit  | nA/ppm in <1ppm $C_2H_6O$<br>$t_{90}$ (s) from zero to <1ppm $C_2H_6O$<br>nA in zero air at 20°C<br>$\pm 2$ standard deviations (ppb equivalent)<br>ppm limit of performance warranty<br>ppm error at full scale, linear at zero, <1ppm $C_2H_6O$<br>maximum ppm for stable response to gas pulse   | 400 to 650 < 30 ±200 20 2 < 0.13 5                           |
|--------------------|---|---|--|
| Lifetime           | Zero drift<br>Sensitivity drift<br>Operating life   | ppb equivalent change/year in lab air<br>% change/year in lab air, monthly test<br>months until 50% original signal (24 month warranted)  | ±500<br>< 15<br>> 36   |
| Environmental      | Sensitivity @ -20°C<br>Sensitivity @ 50°C<br>Zero @ -20°C<br>Zero @ 50°C  | % (output @ -20°C/output @ 20°C) % (output @ 50°C/output @ 20°C) nA change from 20°C nA change from 20°C  | ND<br>ND<br>±20<br>1800 to 2200                              |
| Cross sensitivity  | CO sensitivity H <sub>2</sub> S sensitivity NO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity Cl <sub>2</sub> sensitivity NO sensitivity SO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity H <sub>2</sub> sensitivity C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> sensitivity NH <sub>3</sub> sensitivity CO <sub>2</sub> sensitivity | % measured gas @ 2ppm CO % measured gas @ 5ppm H <sub>2</sub> S % measured gas @ 5ppm NO <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 5ppm Cl <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 5ppm NO % measured gas @ 5ppm SO <sub>2</sub> % measured gas @ 100ppm H <sub>2</sub> at 20°C % measured gas @ 40ppm C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> % measured gas @ 20ppm NH <sub>3</sub> % measured gas @ 5% vol CO <sub>2</sub> | < 125 < 450 < -90 < -40 < 25 < 90 < 50 < 120 < -0.1 < 0.1    |
| Key specifications | Temperature range Pressure range Humidity range Storage period Load resistor Weight   | °C kPa % rh continuous months @ 3 to 20°C (stored in sealed pot) Ω (AFE circuit is recommended) g   | -30 to 50<br>80 to 120<br>15 to 90<br>6<br>33 to 100<br>< 13 |



### Figure 3 Linearity from 0 to 860ppb (approx) Ethanol

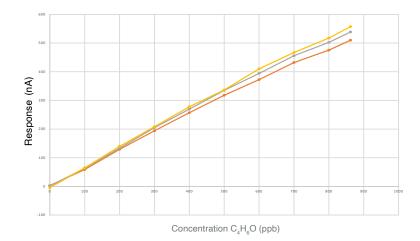


Figure 3 shows example sensor output at concentrations of up to 860ppb Ethanol.

Figure 4 Response to 860ppb (approx) Ethanol

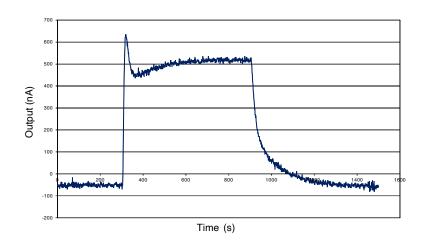


Figure 4 shows example sensor output in reponse to 860ppb Ethanol.

Figure 5 Response to 2ppm C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub> with voltage bias

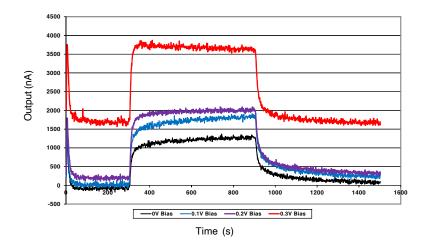


Figure 5 shows example output at different bias voltages in reponse to 2ppm  $C_4H_8$ .

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