

Ceptometer



There are several methods to measure how much light is intercepted by a canopy in order to determine if water loss is from evaporation or transpiration. There's the hard & expensive way and then there's the smart way: the CTR-1. "Virtual" make Ceptometer offers convenient and flexible tools for measuring and analyzing incident and transmitted Photo synthetically Active Radiation (PAR) in Crop and Forest canopies. This is a a non-destructive method to easily and accurately measure Leaf Area Index (LAI). It provides vital information about the penetration of PAR into crops and forest, and is essential in work such as comparative crop studies, for separating out the effects of cultivars and treatment. It is particularly well suited to low regular canopies (as found in many agricultural crops). It can be used in most light conditions. The first sensor probe has an array of 10 PAR sensors embedded in a 1m long probe, and is connected with Handheld Terminal. The second sensor probe also has a 1 PAR sensor embedded in a 0.5m long probe, and is connected with handheld Data logger. One PAR Sensor is also connected with data logger for reference incoming radiation. When a reading is taken, all sensors are scanned and the measurements transmitted to the data logger. The average light level along the probe is calculated. Further you can download data from data logger to a computer (USB Port) with the help of "Virtualware" (PC Interface Software).

Features & Specifications:

Sensor Input: PAR Sensor.
 Processor: 16 bit Extreme Low Power
 Parameter Monitored: Date, Time, Incoming PAR, Diffuse PAR, LAI.
 Display: LCD (16 X 2) to display the instrument status.
 Keyboard: provided for on-site programming.
 Logging: Manual / Automatic (User Selectable)
 logging Internal 1 sec to 24 hrs
 Site Reference Programmable
 User can be view / delete logger data at site without help of computer.
 Key Tone Provided with user selectable ON/OFF Feature
 Back Light: Provided with user selectable High, Medium & Low intensity and ON/Timed ON feature.
 LCD Contrast: Provided with user selectable 0 to 7 contrast Levels.
 PC Software: GUI based Virtualware software for Data download.
 Real Time Clock: Internal with accuracy of +/- 2 minutes /year & leap year compensation
 Memory: 4000 data sets.
 Battery : 2XAA Alkaline Batteries (easily replaceable onsite).
 Battery Monitoring: Battery Level display on LCD with Low Battery Warning
 Operating Humidity 0 to 100%, Operating Temp: - 20 to 70 °C
 Data Port: USB Port for Downloading Data from Data Logger to
 Computer/Laptop.
 Data Output Format MS- Excel

Specifications of Reference PAR Sensor:

Cosine Response: 45° zenith angle: ± 1%,
 75° zenith angle: ± 5%
 Spectral Range: 409 to 659 nm
 Accuracy: ± 5%
 Uniformity: ± 3%
 Repeatability: ± 1%
 Output: 0 to 600 mV
 Responsivity: 0.2 mV per $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
 Calibration Factor: 5.0 $\mu\text{mol m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ per mV
 Response Time: Less than 1 millisecond
 Field of View: 180°
 Long-Term Drift: Less than 2% per year
 Power Requirement: Self-Powered
 Operating Environment: -40 to +60 °C
 Sensor Submersible: Yes

(1 PAR sensor embedded in a 0.5m long probe is used for small canopies)

(An array of 10 PAR sensors embedded in a 1m long probe is used for large canopies / Tree)

Application Software (Virtualware)

This is a user-friendly, Menu Driven, Windows based software allows you to view & save collected data from data logger to computer/laptop. Data file is saved in Microsoft's Excel format.



Ordering Guide:

SN	Description	Model No.
1	Ceptometer with Direct Incoming PAR & 1-PAR Sensor Probe	CTR-VH-1-1
2	Ceptometer with Direct Incoming PAR & 10-PAR Sensors Probe	CTR-VH-1-10
3	Ceptometer with complete set of Sensors	CTR-VH-1-101



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