

FLOWSIC600 Bio Ultrasonic Gas Flow Meter for Biogas

Flow Metering for All Stages of Biogas Production



FLOWSIC600 Bio and FLOWSIC600 Gas flow measurement for biogas production

AREAS OF APPLICATION

- Biogas production from agricultural waste, sludge digestion or landfills
- All process stages from fermentation to (possible) injection into natural gas grid or storage
- Typical gas compositions ranging between raw biogas and bio methane as equivalent to natural gas
- Dry or wet gases with or without highly corrosive contents $(H_2S \text{ or other corrosive components})$
- Low flow, low pressure applications (FLOWSIC600 Bio) as well as high pressure applications (FLOWSIC600)
- Process measurement in the production (FLOWSIC600 Bio) or fiscal measurement at line injection (FLOWSIC600)

ULTRASOUND MEASURING PRINCIPLE

Two ultrasonic transducers, which are installed at a defined angle to the flow axis, operate alternately as transmitter and receiver. The signals transmitted through the gas accelerate in the direction of flow and decelerate against the direction of flow. The resulting difference in transit times is used, along with geometric variables, to determine the average gas velocity. Calculation with the cross-sectional area yields the volumetric flow during operation. Measuring results are not affected by pressure, temperature, or gas composition. To increase the accuracy, the gas velocity is measured using multiple paths.

Ultrasonic technology in biogas production

SICK ultrasound technology makes the measurement of biogas reliable and effective for your biogas plant. The sealed titanium transducers are build into a meter body made from low weight polyethylene (PE) or stainless steel – ideal materials for biogas environments.



t, ... Transit time against direction of flow

KEY FEATURES

- Highly efficient titanium transducers
- Reliable operation even at atmospheric pressure
- Suitable for installation according to ATEX/IECEx Zone 1 and Zone 2
- No pressure drop caused by installation
- Nearly maintenance free no moving parts
- · Bi-directional measurement for biogas storage
- Integrated real-time performance monitoring
- Data logs for hourly and daily historical data





GAS FLOW MEASUREMENT FOR BIOGAS PRODUCTION





Technical Data		FLOWSIC600 Bio								
Meter characteristics										
Nominal size		Flow rate [m ³ /h]		Length	For Installation in PE piping (SDR 11)		For Installation in steel piping			
		Min.	Max.	[mm]	Inner diameter [mm]	Weight	[kg]	Inner diameter [mm]	Weight [kg]	
DN 80	3"	12	1,000	440	73.6	;	16	83,7	15	
DN 100	4"	20	1600	450	90.0)	18	109,1	18	
DN 150	6"	32	3,000	450	130.8	;	22	161,9	27	
DN 200	8"	40	4,500	500	163.6	;	30	211,9	38	
DN 250	10"	50	7,000	500	204.6	;	40	265,0	49	
DN 300	12"	65	8,000	600	257.8	;	50	314,9	85	
DN 400	16"	120	14,000	800	327.4		97	396,4	135	
Meter body material		Polyethylene PE 100								
Flange connections		DIN EN 1092 Form B1 PN10								
Measuring parameters										
Gases		Biogases wet or dry (45 70% CH_4 , 25 55% CO_2 + trace gases like H_2S)								
Measured value		Volume flow (actual + standard), volume (actual + standard), gas velocity, speed of sound								
Design temperature		-20 °C +60 °C								
Pressure range		0 barg 4 barg								
Repeatability		< 0.5 %								
Typical uncertainty		± 1.5 % ¹)								
Technical Data		FLOWSIC600								
Meter charac	cteristics									
Nominal size		Flow rate [m ³ /h]			L	ength	Inr	ner diameter	Weight	
		Min.		Max. ²⁾		[mm]		[mm]	[kg]	
DN 50	2"		4	2	400	150		49	15	
DN 80	3"		8	1,0	000	240		73	45	
DN 100	4"		13	1,6	500	300		95	70	
DN 150	6"		20	3,0	000	450		142	140	
DN 200	8"		32	4,5	500	600		190	210	
DN 250	10"		50	7,0	000	750		235	330	
DN 300	12"		65	8,0	000	900		270	490	
Meter body n	naterial	Stainless steel, low temperature carbon steel, duplex steel								
Measuring pa	arameters									
Gases		Natural gas, process gases, biogas, air								
Measured value		Volume flow (actual and standard), volume (actual + standard), gas velocity, speed of sound								
Temperature		-40 °C +180 °C; -194 °C +280 °C on request								
Pressure range		0 barg 250 barg; up to 450 barg on request								
Repeatability		< 0.5 %								
Typical uncertainty		2 paths: ± 1.0 % ³)								
		4 paths: ±0.5 % ⁴⁾ dry calibrated								
			± 0.1 % ⁴⁾ after flow calibration and with polynomial correction							
Approvals, in	terfaces	FLOWSIC600 Bio and FLOWSIC600								
Approval		FLOWSIC600 Bio				FLOWSIC600				
Ex certification		ATEX II 2G Ex de ib [ia] IIa T4				ATEX II 1/2G Ex de ib [ia] IIA or IIC T4				
Pattern approval		-				MID, PTB.	MID, PTB, NMi, Measurement Canada, GOST			
Electrical safety		CE, Enclosure rating: IP 65				CE, Enclosure rating: IP 65/IP 67				
Outputs and interfaces		1x analog, 1x RS-485, 1x pulse, 2x status				Pulse, Status, RS485, (analog optionally)				

¹⁾ In dry gas, for $Q_t \dots Q_{max}$ and installation with straight inlet/outlet section of 20D/3D. ²⁾ Q_{max} may be limited by working pressure and attenuation of the gas medium

³⁾ Within $Q_t \dots Q_{max}$ with straight inlet/outlet section of 20D/3D or with flow straightener 10D/3D ⁴⁾ Within $Q_t \dots Q_{max}$ with non disturbed inlet/outlet section of 10D/3D

