

WDI Sensor

Integral Preamplifier

Acoustic Emission Sensor

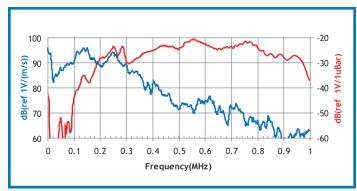
Description and Features

PAC's integral preamp sensors were specifically engineered to attain high sensitivity and have the capability to drive long cables without the need for a separate preamplifier. Incorporating a low-noise input, 40 dB preamplifier and a filter all inside the sensor housing, these transducers are completely enclosed in metal stainless steel (or aluminum) housings that are treated to minimize RFI/EMI interference. Care has also been taken to thermally isolate the critical input stage of the preamplifier in order to provide excellent temperature stability over the range of -35° to 75° C.

Their integrated Auto Sensor Test (AST*) capability allows these sensors to pulse as well as receive. This feature lets you verify the sensor coupling and performance at any time throughout the test.

Applications

Wideband sensors are typically used in research applications and other applications where a high fidelity AE response is required. In research applications, wideband AE sensors are useful where frequency analysis of the AE signal is required and to help determine the predominant frequency band of AE sources for noise discrimination and selection of a suitable lower cost, general purpose AE sensor. In high fidelity applications, wideband sensors can detect various AE wavemodes to provide more information about the AE source and distance of the AE event.



Frequency response of the WDI. Calibration based on ASTM E1106; Calibration based on ASTM E976.

Operating Specifications

Dynamic

Peak Sensitivity, Ref V/(m/s)96 d	ΙB
Peak Sensitivity, Ref V/µbar25 d	ΙB
Operating Frequency Range200 -900 kH	łz
Directionality+/-1.5 d	ΙB

Environmental

Temperature Range35 to 75°C
Shock Limit 500 g
Completely shielded crystal for maximum RFI/EMI
immunity

Physical

Dimensions	1.13" diameter x 1.16" h
	(29 x 30 mm)
Weight	70 grams
Case Material	Stainless Steel (304)
Face Material	Ceramic
Connector	BNC
Connector Locations	Side

Ordering Information and Accessories

WDI	WDI
Cable (specify cable length)	1234 - X
Magnetic Hold-Down	MHR6I
Amplifier	AE2A

Sensors include

NIST Calibration Certificate & Warranty



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^{*} AST — Auto Sensor Testing feature allows AE systems to control the sensor as a pulser and a receiver at the same time. It can therefore characterize its own condition as well as send out a simulated acoustic emission wave that other sensors can detect, so the condition of the nearby sensors also can be tested.