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Chlorophyll WETStar Characterization

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Chlorophyll concentration expressed in µg/l can be derived using the equation:

CHL(µg/I) = Scale Factor x (Output - Clean Water Offset)

	Analog output	Digital output	
Clean Water Offset (CWO)	0.083 V @	85 counts	
Scale Factor (SF)	15.2 μg/l/V @	0.0183 µg/l/count	
Maximum Output	5.48 V @	4095 counts	
Resolution	0.53 mV	1 counts	
Ambient Characterization Temperature	22 ± 1°C		
Current Draw	70 mA @ 12V (typical)		
12-hour Stability	0.24 mV/hr	1 counts/hr	
Temperature Stability, 25–2 °C	0.11 mV/°C	1 counts/°C	

Definitions:

CWO: Clean Water Offset value obtained using pure filtered de-ionized water.

SF: Scale Factor is used to convert the fluorescence response of the instrument into chlorophyll-a concentration. Scale Factor is determined at WET Labs during a cross calibration using a solid fluorescent standard and a reference fluorometer whose chlorophyll fluorescence response has been characterized in a laboratory using a mono-species lab culture of *Thalassiosira weissflogii* phytoplankton.

Maximum Output: Maximum signal output of the fluorometer.

Resolution: Standard deviation of 1 minute of clean water data, sampled once per second.

Ambient Characterization Temperature: Room temperature at time of characterization.

Current Draw: The amount of current the instrument uses for operation.

12-hour Stability: Deviation of output averaged over 12 hours.

Temperature Stability: Measured output variation per degree.