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# Accurate and Dependable

Ideal for long-term deployment in harsh conditions

## Overview

The CS300 measures total sun and sky solar radiation for solar, agricultural, meteorological and hydrological applications. Its spectral range of 300 to 1000 nanometers encompasses most

#### **Benefits and Features**

- Compatible with all Campbell Scientific dataloggers (including the CR200(X) series)
- Designed for continuous, long term, unattended operation in adverse conditions
- Measurement waveband: 360 to 1120 nm\*
- Compatible with the CWS900-series interfaces, allowing it to be used in a wireless sensor network

of the shortwave radiation that reaches the Earth's surface. This pyranometer connects directly to our dataloggers. Its output can be measured by all of our dataloggers.

- Dome-shaped head prevents water from accumulating on the sensor heat
- > Cost effective solar radiation sensor

## **Technical Description**

The CS300 uses a silicon photovoltaic detector mounted in a cosine-corrected head to provide solar radiation measurements. Its dome-shaped head prevents water from accumulating on the sensor head. To eliminate internal condensation, the sensor

head is potted solid and the cable is shielded with a rugged Santoprene casing. The CS300 is calibrated against a Kipp & Zonen CM21 thermopile pyranometer to accurately measure sun plus sky radiation.

## Mounting

Accurate measurements require the sensor to be levelled using an optional levelling fixture (010355). This levelling fixture incorporates a bubble level and three adjusting screws. The fixture mounts to a crossarm using the CM225 mounting stand. The CS300 should be mounted away from all obstructions and reflective surfaces that might adversely affect the measurement.

\*Sensors calibrated to the 360 to 1120 nm spectral range should not be used under vegetation or artificial lights.

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#### **Ordering Information**

Silicon Pyranometer with 3 m cable. Extension cables available to special o
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- Base and levelling fixture required to level the sensor.
- CM225E

CS300

010355

Crossarm mounting bracket.



18356 Base and Leveling Fixture

The typical configuration for attaching the CS300 to a tripod or tower is shown above.

## Specifications

- Power requirements: None, self-powered
- Light Spectrum Waveband: 360 to 1120 nm
- ) Measurement Range: 0 to 2000 W m<sup>-2</sup> (full sunlight  $\approx$ 1000 W m<sup>-2</sup>)
- > Absolute Accuracy: ±5% for daily total radiation
- > Sensitivity: 5 W m<sup>-2</sup> mV<sup>-1</sup>
- Cosine Correction Error: ±5% at 75° zenith angle; ±2% at 45° zenith angle
- > Temperature Response: -0.04 ± 0.04% per °C
- Long-term Stability: < 2% per year
- Operating Temperature Range: -40° to +70°C
- Relative Humidity Range: 0 to 100%
- Diameter: 2.4 cm (0.9 in)
- Height: 2.5 cm (1.0 in)
- Weight: 65 g (2.3 oz)





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