Net Radiometer

Model Q7.1

The Q7.1 is an high-output thermopile sensor that generates a millivolt signal proportional to the net radiation level. The sensor is mounted in a glass-reinforced plastic frame with a built-in level. A ball joint is supplied on the stem to facilitate leveling. The sensor surface and surrounding surfaces are painted flat black to reduce reflections within the instrument and to achieve uniform performance over reflective and non-reflective surfaces.

Sensor surfaces are protected from excessive convective cooling by hemispherical polyethylene windshields. Polyethylene is used for the wind shield material because it is transparent to both long and shortwave energy. The windshields are open to the atmosphere through a desiccated breather tube to prevent the domes from collapsing at night. A mounting stake located away from the tower to decrease shading and interference is recommended. Net radiation measurement height is typically between 1 and 3 m.

Features

- 60-junction thermopile with low electrical resistance (4 Ω nominal) to reduce noise susceptibility
- Top and bottom surfaces painted flat black and protected from convective cooling by hemispherical heavy-duty polyethylene windshields (0.25 mm thick)
- Windshields do not require pressurization
- O-ring seals for easy windshield replacement
- Desiccant contained in support arm (volume 45 cm³) breather port on end of support arm
- No power required

Ordering Information

Q7.1-L REBS Net radiometer with user-specified lead length (enter lead length in feet after L)
-SM CM210 Crossarm-to-Pole Bracket
5730 Q7.1 Replacement Domes (pair)
Specifications

- Nominal calibration factors:
  9.6 W m⁻² mV⁻¹ for positive values
  11.9 W m⁻² mV⁻¹ for negative values

- Uncorrected wind effect:
  up to 6% reduction @ 7 m s⁻¹ for positive fluxes
  up to 1% reduction @ 7 m s⁻¹ for negative fluxes

- Spectral response: 0.25 to 60 µm

- Time constant: Approximately 30 seconds

- Size of sensing head: 2.3” x 2.8” x 7.0” (5.7 x 7.2 x 17.7 cm)

- Support arm dimensions: 0.8” (2.0 cm) diameter, 29.5” (75.0 cm) length

- Weight: 4.1 lbs (1.86 kg)