

Measurement and control of cleaning and CMP processes

ULTRA-CLEAN, ULTRASONIC FLOWMETER

UCUF-K Series



OUTLINE

The UCUF-K series ultrasonic flowmeter is designed for measuring small flow rates of ultrapure water and chemical liquids. It is comprised of the UCUF-K detector and SFC converter. All wet parts of the detector are made of special-grade PFA molds for the semiconductor industry and have no moving parts or sealing mechanism such as O-rings which would accumulate liquid components. The simple and smooth construction leaves no residues and is ideal for processes such as semiconductor manufacturing which requires ultimate cleanliness. The SFC converter significantly reduces the effect of bubbles in liquid, which cause problems in semiconductor and chemical processes. It has an adjustment function to offset the effect on the kinematic viscosity of liquids, making the converter compatible with various chemicals. The RS485 communication function enables integrated management of the process. For details, see the Technical Guidance of the converter.



FEATURES

- ☐ EMC compliance: EN61326-1:2013/EN61326-2-3:2013
- □ RoHS compatible
- Liquids with kinematic viscosity of as high as 40 mm²/s can be measured.
- □ Accuracy: Within ±1% of the reading at flow velocity of 1 m/s or more
- ☐ Wide rangeability of 100 : 1 as a typical example
- □ Detector with highly clean construction
- ☐ Corrosion resistant and easy to install

APPLICATIONS

- Pure water and ultrapure water in the semiconductor manufacturing process
- Chemical feeding
- ☐ Highly corrosive chemicals
- ☐ Chemical mechanical polishing (CMP) slurries
- ☐ Process liquids of small and medium flow rate
- Ideal for flow measurement and control of cleaning and CMP processes

OPERATING PRINCIPLE

The measuring fluid flows into the U-shaped tube, changes direction by 90 degrees twice, and goes out as shown in Figure 1. Two piezoelectric transducers A and B are mounted at both ends of the measuring section. They emit and receive ultrasonic waves alternately and measure the traveling times t_A (A to B) and t_B (B to A) through the liquid. Without flow, t_A is equal to t_B . With flow, t_A becomes shorter and t_B longer in proportion to the flow rate. Thus, calculating t_B - t_A gives the flow rate of the liquid. t_A and t_B depend on the size and shape of the tube and liquid viscosity. The actual flow test data are stored in the linearizer in the converter, which enables the UCUF-E to measure flow rates with high accuracy.

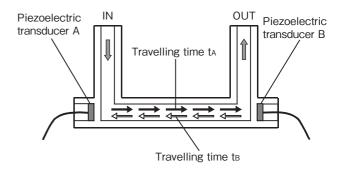


Figure 1 Operating principle

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS

• Measuring fluid : Liquids (Without bubbles, and

homogeneously mixed)

• Ambient temperature* : 0 to 60°C Ambient humidity : 30 to 80%RH

• Enclosure classification: IP65 equivalent, indoor use

• Fluid temperature* : 10 to 60°C • Fluid pressure : 0 to 0.5 MPa • Fluid sound speed* : 1000 to 2200 m/s • Fluid kinematic velocity : 0.3 to 40 mm²/s

: PFA tube end (Refer to Table 1.) Process connection

• Enclosure classification: IP65

: Refer to Table 1. Flow range Table 1. Flow range and connecting tube size

Model	Flow rang	Connecting	
iviodei	Min.	Max.	tube size
UCUF-04K	0 to 0.05	0 to 3.0	3/8"
UCUF-06K	0 to 0.4	0 to 8.0	3/8"
UCUF-10K	0 to 1.0	0 to 20.0	1/2"
UCUF-15K	0 to 3.0	0 to 50.0	3/4"
UCUF-20K	0 to 4.0	0 to 80.0	1"

^{*} Coaxial connector is BNC connector.

: Refer to Table 2. Accuracy

Table 2. Accuracy and flow range

Model	Flow velo	ocity < 1m/s	Flow velocity ≥ 1m/s			
	Flow rate	Accuracy Flow	Flow rate	Accuracy		
UCUF	(L/min)	(L/min)	(L/min)	(of reading)		
-04K	0 to 0.8	± 0.008	0.8 to 3	±1%		
-06K	0 to 1.7	± 0.017	1.7 to 8	±1%		
-10K	0 to 4.7	± 0.047	4.7 to 20	±1%		
-15K	0 to 10.6	± 0.106	10.6 to 50	±1%		
-20K	0 to 18.8	± 0.188	18.8 to 80	±1%		

^{*} Note: Accuracy statement is based on water calibration

• Pressure loss

Pressure loss for water (kPa) = $C \times Q^2$ where C: Factor (Refer to Table 3.)

Q: Flow rate (L/min)

Table 3. Pressure loss factor

Model	С				
-04K	3.04				
-06K	0.537				
-10K	0.0625				
-15K	0.0120				
-20K	0.00377				

 Materials : Refer to Table 4.

Table 4. Materials of flow detector

	Material		
Wetted part	Body	New PFA	
	Tube	New PFA	
Sensor housing (PP		
Sensor cup (Only	PP		
Cable fitting	PP		
BNC cable sheat	PVC		

• Exclusive cable : Two 5 m coaxial cables, Length: 5 m

(Extension cables available up to 30 m)

• Model code : Refer to Table 5. : Refer to Table 6. Mass

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Note: Specifications of all items with * mark are those of standard

See the PRODUCT SPECIFICATION for those other than standard types.

MODEL CODE Table 5. Detector

Model code				Description
UCUF		/□		Description
	-04K			4 mm
	-06K			6 mm
Meter size	-10K			10 mm
	-15K			15 mm
	-20K			20 mm
Connector		(Blank)		BNC
Connector		D		SMB
Chana			(Blank)	Standard (U shaped)
Shape		Z	Z shaped	

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^{*} Consult us about other models.

DIMENSIONS

UCUF-10K, 15K, 20K U-shape UCUF-10K, 15K, 20K U-shape UCUF-10K, 15K, 20K U-shape UCUF-10K, 15K, 20K U-shape UCUF-10K, 15K, 20K U-shape

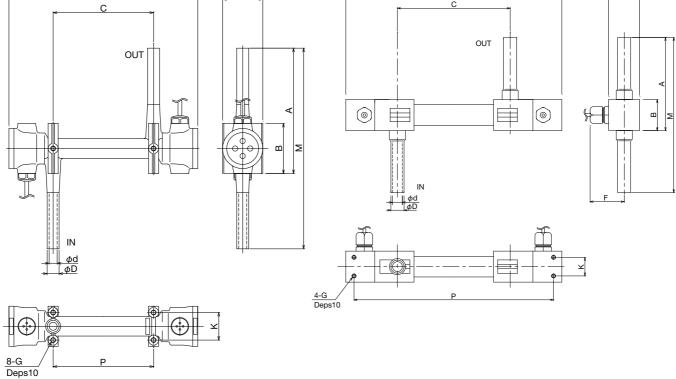


Table 6. Dimensions and mass of detector

	Connecting	Dimensions (mm)									Mass (g)					
UCUF tube size	D	d	С	L	Α	В	Е	F	G	K	М	Р	Detector	Cable (5m)	Total	
-04K	3/8"	9.53	6.38	80±1	150±1	100	40	32	_	M4	22	160	80±1	160	140	300
-06K	3/8"	9.53	6.38	100±1	170±1	100	40	32	_	M4	22	160	100±1	200	140	340
-10K	1/2"	12.70	9.55	110±1	209±1	90	30	30	35	M4	18	150	193±1	420	140	560
-15K	3/4"	19.05	15.90	165±2	271±2	100	40	40	40	M5	26	160	253±2	760	140	900
-20K	1"	25.40	22.25	220±2	328±2	120	40	40	40	M5	26	200	310±2	880	140	1020

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■ COMPATIBLE CONVERTER MODEL

SFC3000, SFC4000

CAUTIONS ON INSTALLATION

- To ensure accurate, stable measurement, do not bend the connecting tube during installation to avoid stress from the piping.
- ☐ To ensure accurate, stable measurement, stabilize the liquid temperature within ±5°C.
- ☐ Keep the instrument pressurized even when it is not in use to avoid the formation of bubbles.
- ☐ Keep the measuring tube filled with liquids. Although the instrument can be installed with horizontal, vertical, or slant tubing, it is recommended to select a position for easy self-draining.
- Install a control valve downstream of the instrument, if necessary.
- Install the flow detector and converter away from noise sources such as power relays and solenoid valves.
- ☐ Lay the signal cable away from power cables of high voltage or current.
- ☐ For details on how to connect fittings, see the relevant documents of each manufacturer.

* Specification is subject to change without notice.



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