



**OPERATING SPECIFICATIONS** 

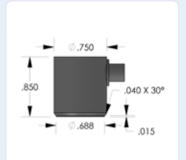


**PRODUCT DATA SHEET** 

# **WSα Sensor**

**General Purpose Wideband Sensor** 





### **DESCRIPTION AND FEATURES**

The WS $\alpha$  sensor is a single-ended, wideband frequency, Acoustic Emission sensor. Featuring a SMA connector within an integrated stainless steel cavity, the WS $\alpha$  is machined from a solid rod. A 30-degree angle at the bottom edge of the sensor cavity reduces the risk of electric shorts from the sensor cavity to conductive test surfaces.

The WS $\alpha$  takes advantage of the general Alpha series (consisting of R3 $\alpha$ , R6 $\alpha$ , R15 $\alpha$ , R30 $\alpha$  R50 $\alpha$ , R80 $\alpha$  and WS $\alpha$  sensors) sensor features and the WD sensor's high sensitivity and wideband frequency range.

### **APPLICATIONS**

Wideband sensors are typically used in research applications or 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 in helping 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, various AE wavemodes can be detected using wideband sensors, providing more information about the AE source and distance of the AE event.

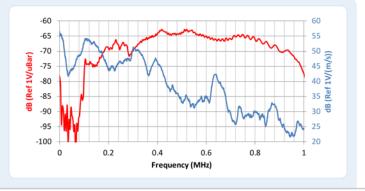
Dynamic	
Peak Sensitivity, Ref V/(m/s)	55 dB
Peak Sensitivity, Ref V/μbar	62 dB
Operating Frequency Range	100-1000 kHz
Resonant Frequency, Ref V/(m/s)	125 kHz
Resonant Frequency, Ref V/µbar	650 kHz
Directionality	+/-1.5 dB
Environmental	
Temperature Range	65 to 175ºC
Shock Limit	500 g
Completely enclosed crystal for RFI/EMI imm	munity
Physical	
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Dimensions0.	75"OD X 0.84"H

19	mm OD X 21.4 mm H	
Weight	32 grams	
Case Material	Stainless Steel	
Face Material	Ceramic	
Connector	SMA	
Connector Locations	Side	
Seal	Ероху	
Sensor to Preamp Cable (1 or 2 meters)	1232-X-SMA	

## **ORDERING INFORMATION AND ACCESSORIES**

NIST Calibration Certificate & Warranty

WS $\alpha$ WS $\alpha$ or WSa	
Cable (specify length in '-XX' m)1234-SMA/BNC-X	
Magnetic Hold-DownMHR15A	
Preamplifier0/2/4, 2/4/6	
Preamp to System Cable (specify length in 'm') 1234 - X	
Sensors include	







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