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# **Scattering Meter Calibration Sheet**

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Wavelength: 700 S/N FLBBCDSLC-5704

Use the following equation to obtain either digital or analog "scaled" output values:

 $\beta(\theta_c)$  m<sup>-1</sup> sr<sup>-1</sup> = Scale Factor x (Output - Dark Counts)

• Scale Factor for 700 nm = 1.832E-06 (m<sup>-1</sup>sr<sup>-1</sup>)/counts

Output = meter output counts

Dark Counts = 44 counts

Instrument Resolution = 1.0 counts

#### Definitions:

- Scale Factor: Calibration scale factor,  $\beta(\theta_c)$ /counts. Refer to User's Guide for derivation.
- Output: Measured signal output of the scattering meter.
- **Dark Counts**: Signal obtained by covering detector with black tape and submersing sensor in water. Instrument Resolution: Standard deviation of 1 minute of collected data.

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### **ECO CDOM Fluorometer Characterization Sheet**

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CDOM concentration expressed in ppb can be derived using the equation:

**CDOM (ppb) = Scale Factor \* (Output - Dark Counts)** 

Dark Counts
49 counts
Scale Factor (SF)
0.0908 ppb/count
Maximum Output
4130 counts
Resolution
1.0 counts

Ambient temperature during characterization 22.5 °C

**Dark Counts:** Signal output of the meter in clean water with black tape over detector.

**SF:** Determined using the following equation:  $SF = x \div (output - dark counts)$ , where x is the concentration of the solution used during instrument characterization. SF is used to derive instrument output concentration from the raw signal output of the fluorometer.

Maximum Output: Maximum signal output the fluorometer is capable of.

Resolution: Standard deviation of 1 minute of collected data.

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## **SLC Testing Certification**

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Low temperature test #1

Chill 2.5 hr at -20 °C

High temperature test #1 Verify operation post-testing

Heat 2.5 hr at 50 °C

Low temperature test #2 same protocol as #1

High temperature test #2 same protocol as #1

Vacuum test

< 0.1" Hg change in 10 min.

Pressure test

5 cycles, 0–1250 m with 10-sec. soaks Held at 1250 m for 2 hrs. on last cycle

**Electrical isolation** 

Resistance between copper faceplate and grounding wire is > 1 m $\Omega$ 

Calibration verification

Verify calibration and dark counts in bb, chl, and CDOM channels

Verify 5% of single point check for chl and bb

Verify 10% of single point check for CDOM

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**NOTES:** 



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## ECO Chlorophyll Fluorometer Characterization Sheet

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

CHL (µg/I) = Scale Factor \* (Output - Dark counts)

Digital

Dark counts 46 counts

Scale Factor (SF)0.0072 μg/l/countMaximum Output4130 countsResolution1.0 counts

Ambient temperature during characterization 22.5 °C

Dark Counts: Signal output of the meter in clean water with black tape over detector.

**SF:** Determined using the following equation:  $SF = x \div$  (output - dark counts), where x is the concentration of the solution used during instrument characterization. SF is used to derive instrument output concentration from the raw signal output of the fluorometer.

**Maximum Output:** Maximum signal output the fluorometer is capable of.

Resolution: Standard deviation of 1 minute of collected data.

The relationship between fluorescence and chlorophyll-a concentrations in-situ is highly variable. The scale factor listed on this document was determined using a mono-culture of phytoplankton (Thalassiosira weissflogii). The population was assumed to be reasonably healthy and the concentration was determined by using the absorption method. To accurately determine chlorophyll concentration using a fluorometer, you must perform secondary measurements on the populations of interest. This is typically done using extraction-based measurement techniques on discrete samples. For additional information on determining chlorophyll concentration see "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" part 10200 H, published jointly by the American Public Health Association, American Water Works Association, and the Water Environment Federation.

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