

# AF56-F

## Single Channel Absorption Sensor



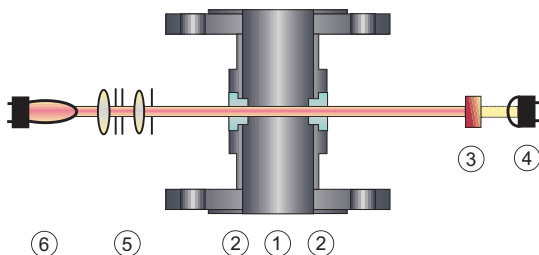
- Inline real-time process monitoring
- Measures any color or color change
- Extremely low maintenance
- CIP/SIP-compatible
- Broad variety of line sizes, process connections and wetted materials

The model AF56-F is a precise single channel absorption sensor designed for inline applications. It accurately measures color or color changes and can be used in a variety of processes.

The AF56-F uses light in the wavelength range from 400 to 480 nm at selected wavelengths. A precisely defined, constant light beam penetrates the process medium. The attenuation of the light intensity, caused by absorption and/or scattering by dissolved and undissolved substances in the medium, is detected by a hermetically sealed silicon photodiode.

Optical path lengths (OPL) are available from 1 to 200 mm for process versatility. The AF56-F is typically installed to determine precise color or color changes in a broad range of applications.

The special optical window is made from a single crystal sapphire. This provides superior resistance to all abrasive and corrosive media. The AF56-F is available with a broad variety of line sizes, process connections and wetted materials and can be adapted easily to the process. Options for silicone free models are also available.



### Type AF56-F

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| 1 Sensor body | 4 Detector      |
| 2 Windows     | 5 Optics module |
| 3 Filter      | 6 Lamp          |

# Technical Data

## Sensor AF56-F

**Material:**

sensor body made of stainless steel  
SS 316 Ti, 1.4571 (standard)

**Special materials:**

SS 316 L (1.4435), 1.4539, 1.4462, TFM 4215, Hastelloy® C4, Hastelloy® C22, Titanium, Tantalum, Monel® 400, Inconel® 625, PP, and others on request.

**Line size:**

¼" to 8", (DN 6 to DN 200)

**Process connections:**

ASME Flange, DIN Flange, Varivent, JIS Flange, Tri-Clamp, BBS-Clamp, Female Thread NPT, Female Thread DIN ISO 228/1 G, Sanitary Thread (DIN 11851), and others on request.

**Gaskets:**

Viton®, EPDM (FDA), EPDM (USP Class VI), Kalrez®, Chemraz®, Fluoraz®, Buna (NBR), Silicone, Viton® /FEP (FDA), and others on request.

**Windows:**

Pyrex®, Sapphire

**Optical path length:**

1 mm – 200 mm

**Process pressure:**

10 mbar to 325 bar, (0.15 psi to 4713 psi),  
depending on process connection, material and design

**Process temperature:**

values are only valid with appropriate material of sensor body and gaskets. No icing on sensor!

- permanent: 0 °C to +100 °C, (+32 °F to +212 °F)
- peak (15 min/day): 0 °C to +120 °C, (+32 °F to +248 °F)

**Ambient temperature:**

- operation: 0 °C to +40 °C, (+32 °F to +104 °F)  
(elevated or reduced ambient temperatures may require restrictions to the operating temperatures stated above!)
- transport: -20 °C to +70 °C, (-4 °F to +158 °F)

**Air purge:**

connectors available as standard

**Light source:**

incandescent tungsten lamp: 5.0 V DC, 775 mA,  
typical life span 3 to 5 years

**Wavelengths:**

specific to application from 400 nm - 480 nm

**Detector:**

silicon photodiodes, hermetically sealed

**Calibration:**

basic calibration in CU (concentration units)

**Measuring range:**

sensor specific  
0 to 3 CU

**Resolution:**

< ± 0.5 % of respective measuring range

**Repeatability:**

< ± 1.0 % of respective measuring range

**Linearity:**

specific to application, < ± 2 % of respective measuring range

**Protection:**

all optical parts protected according to IP65

**Cable lengths:**

standard: 5, 10, 20, 35, 50 m, (16, 33, 66, 115, 164 ft.)  
maximum: 100 m, (328 ft.)

**VA-plug-protection:**

special ultra-shielded cable sets,  
optional rigid stainless steel connector

**Certificates:**

ISO 9001:2000, PED, CE, HPO

**Use with 156 converter!**

## Options



Measuring cells for any application

**AF56-SF-F**

silicone free model  
with restricted temperature ratings:  
permanent:  
0 °C to +60 °C, (+32 °F to +140 °F)  
peak (15 min/day):  
0 °C to +80 °C, (+32 °F to +176 °F)