

LD20 Liquid Flow Sensor Series – PROTOTYPE

Single-Use Flow Sensor for Biomedical Applications

- Low flow sensing up to 1200 ml/h (20 ml/min)
- Luer lock or barbed fluidic connectors
- Millisecond-fast response time



Product Summary

The LD20 liquid flow sensor series enables precise and reliable measurements of dynamic liquid flow rates from a few hundred $\mu\text{l/h}$ up to 1200 ml/h bi-directionally. This sensor has been designed for single-use applications in the biomedical field. The LD20 series is still being developed. Thus any specification can be subject to change in the future (performance, fittings, communication, etc.).

Electrical Interface:

Digital
- I²C-Bus

For more information on communication, please refer to section 3 of this document (preliminary).

1 Sensor Performance (Preliminary data, subject to change)

The following Table 1 lists preliminary specifications of the current prototypes. Please contact Sensirion if different specifications are required.

3D-printed samples of the small (LD20-0600) and medium (LD20-1300) LD20 versions are available on request. Please contact Sensirion.

| Parameter | LD20-0600x | LD20-1300x | LD20-2600B | Unit |
|--|------------|------------|--------------|------------------------|
| H ₂ O Full scale flow rate | 20 (0.3) | 250 (4.2) | 1000 (16.6) | ml/h (ml/min) |
| H ₂ O Sensor output limit ^a | 25 (0.4) | 300 (5) | 1300 (21.67) | ml/h (ml/min) |
| Accuracy below full scale (whichever error is larger) | tbd | tbd | 5 | % of m.v. ^b |
| | tbd | tbd | 0.25 | % of full scale |
| Repeatability below full scale (whichever error is larger) | tbd | tbd | 0.5 | % of m.v. |
| | tbd | tbd | 0.025 | % of full scale |
| Temperature coefficient ^c (additional error / °C; whichever is larger) | tbd | tbd | 0.2 | % m.v. / °C |
| | tbd | tbd | 0.01 | % full scale / °C |
| Mounting orientation sensitivity ^d | tbd | tbd | 1.0 | % of full scale |
| Flow detection response time τ_{63} | tbd | tbd | tbd | ms |

^a Flow rate at which the sensor output saturates. See section 2 for performance between full scale and saturation point.

^b Measured value

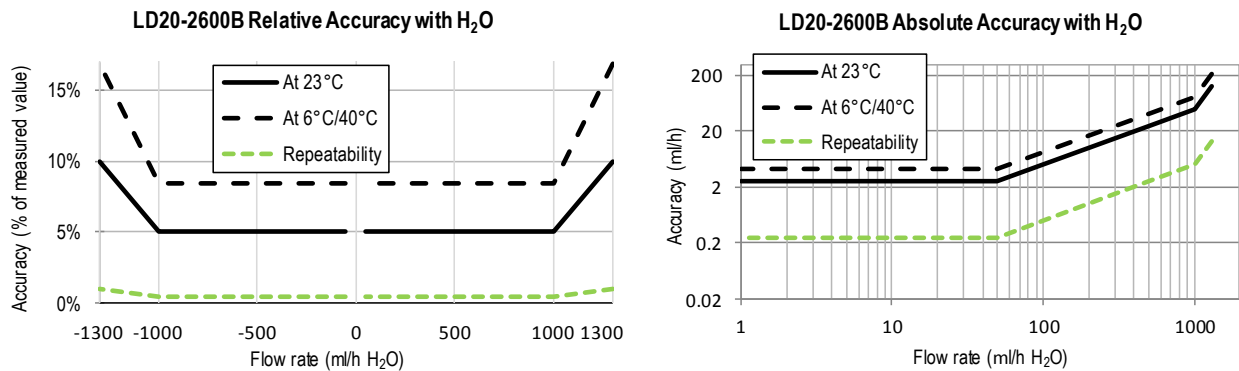
^c Additional accuracy error for temperatures deviating from 23 °C.

^d Maximum additional offset when flow channel is vertical.

| Parameter | LD20-0600x | LD20-1300x | LD20-2600B | Unit |
|---|----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Response time on power-up | tbd | tbd | tbd | ms |
| Operating temperature | +15 ... +45 (+59 ... +113) | | | °C (°F) |
| Operating humidity | 0...95 %, non-condensing | | | % RH |
| Maximum recommended operating pressure | 3 (45) | | | bar (psi) |
| Burst pressure | 10 (145) | | | bar (psi) |
| Recommended maximum use duration | 7 | | | days |
| Short term storage temperature ^e | -10 ... +60 (+14 ... +140) | | | °C (°F) |
| Short term storage humidity ^e | 0...95 %, non-condensing | | | % RH |
| Shelf life ^f | 3 | | | years |

Table 1: Performance of LD20 series (all data for medium H₂O, at 23°C)

2 Specifications Charts

Figure 1: Liquid flow sensor accuracy and repeatability across the flow range of the LD20-2600B. Relative error in % of measured value (left) and absolute error in ml/h (right) for H₂O.^e Flow path empty. Short term storage refers to temporary conditions during e.g. transport.^f When stored at 15°C - 35°C and 20 - 80 % r.H.

3 Communication with the Sensor (Preliminary data, subject to change)

The LD20-2600B flow sensor shows bi-directional, linear transfer characteristics. The product comes fully calibrated for water.

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|-------------------------------|-------|
| Digital sampling time, 16 bit | 74 ms |
| Digital sampling time, 9 bit | 1 ms |

3.1 Electrical Specifications

| Parameter | Conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|----------------------|-------------|------|------|------|-------|
| Power supply DC, VDD | Sensor only | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.7 | V |
| Operating current | VDD = 3.5 V | | 5.1 | | mA |

Table 2: DC characteristics

3.2 Electrical Connector and Pad Assignment

The liquid flow sensor is equipped with metal contact pads for electrical connection.⁹

| Pad | Description |
|-----|-------------|
| 1 | SDA (data) |
| 2 | SCL (clock) |
| 3 | VDDD |
| 4 | VDDA |
| 5 | GND |

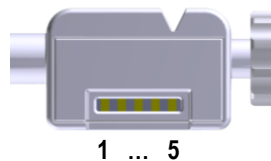


Table 3: Electrical pad layout

3.3 Digital Communication via I²C-Bus

Digital communication between a master and the LD20 sensor runs via the standard I²C-interface. The physical interface consists of two bus lines, a data line (SDA) and a clock line (SCL) which need to be connected via pull-up resistors to the bus voltage of the system. By default, the I²C address is set to 64 (hexadecimal: 40, binary: 1000000).

These lines can be used on the 3.3 V level with a clock frequency of 100 kHz. For the detailed specifications of this I²C communication, please refer to the specific I²C Application Notes from Sensirion.

| Parameter | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|--|------|------|------|-------|
| I ² C bus clock frequency | | 100 | | kHz |
| Output voltage low (SDA/SCL), I _{sink} = 6 mA | | 0.1 | 0.5 | V |
| Low level output current (SDA/SCL) | | | 6 | mA |
| High level input voltage (SDA/SCL) | 2.0 | | | V |
| Low level input voltage (SDA/SCL) | | | 1.0 | V |

Table 4: I²C output characteristics

⁹Please note, that the electrical connector provided as part of the evaluation kit for testing purposes will not be commercially available. Its design is in the scope of the customer.

4 Fluidic Specifications and Connections

| Parameter | LD20-0600x | LD20-1300x | LD20-2600B |
|--|--|------------|--|
| Wetted materials | 3D-printed samples are available on request | | Polyetherimide (PEI), Liquid-Crystal-Polymer (LCP), medical-grade adhesive |
| Fluidic connector ports (fittings) | Barbed fittings for 3D printed samples (Final fitting design to be defined) | | Barbed fittings |
| OD of barbed fittings | 1.75 mm | tbd | 4.0 mm |
| Recommended tubing ID for barbed fittings | 1.6 mm (1/16") | tbd | 3.2 mm (1/8") |
| Pressure drop (at full scale flow rate, H ₂ O, 23 °C) | <1.0 mbar | tbd | < 0.2 mbar |

Table 5: Fluidic specifications and connections

5 Mechanical Specifications

| Parameter | LD20-0600x | LD20-1300x | LD20-2600B |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Largest dimensions | ~ 35.4 x 15 x 12 mm | tbd | ~ 48 x 15 x 12 mm |
| Total mass | tbd | tbd | 1.7 g |
| Inner diameter | ~ 0.8 mm | tbd | ~ 2.6 mm |

Table 6: Mechanical specifications

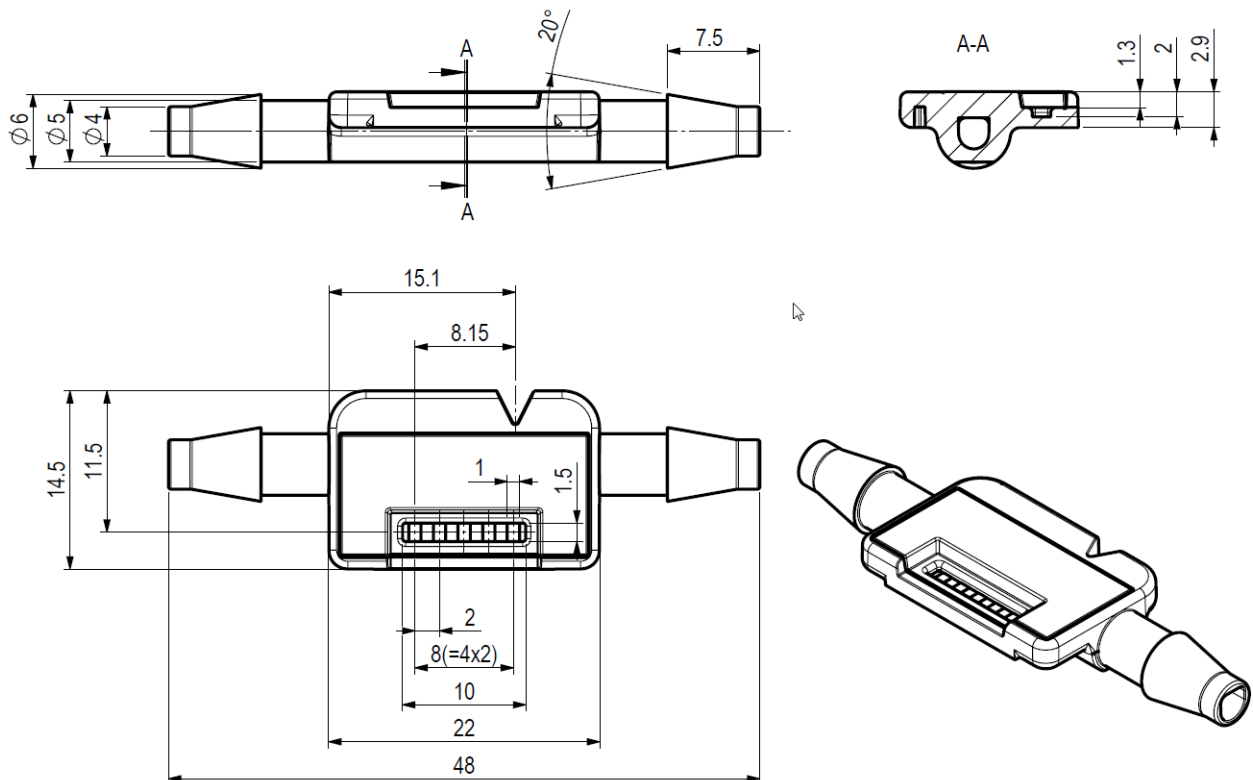


Figure 2: Dimensions of LD20-2600B (in mm)

6 Order Information

The LD20 Evaluation Kit contains:

- 3 pcs disposable liquid flow sensors of type LD20-2600B
- Base station used as a reusable electrical interface connector (prototype)
- PC Software (Viewer & Data Export Tool)
- SCC1-USB Sensor Cable with USB connector for plug-and-play connection to a PC.

| Product | Article Number |
|--|----------------|
| LD20-2600B Liquid Flow Sensor with barbed fittings | 1-101564-01 |
| Base station for LD20 series (prototype) | 1-101481-01 |
| SCC1-USB sensor cable | 1-101007-01 |
| Evaluation Kit LD20-2600B | 1-101431-02 |

Table 7: Order information

3D-printed samples of the small (LD20-0600x) and medium (LD20-1300x) LD20 versions are available on request also as part of an Evaluation Kit. Please contact Sensirion.

Important Notices

Warning, personal injury

Do not use this product as safety or emergency stop devices or in any other application where failure of the product could result in personal injury (including death). Do not use this product for applications other than its intended and authorized use. Before installing, handling, using or servicing this product, please consult the datasheet and application notes. Failure to comply with these instructions could result in death or serious injury.

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- EU Directive 1907/2006/EC concerning Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)
- EU Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE), OJ13.02.2003; esp. its Article 6 (1) with Annex II.
- EU Directive 2002/65/EC on the restriction of certain hazardous substances in electric and electronic equipment (RoHS), OJ01.01.2011

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