

DATASHEET LEAKlog LEAK DETECTION SYSTEM

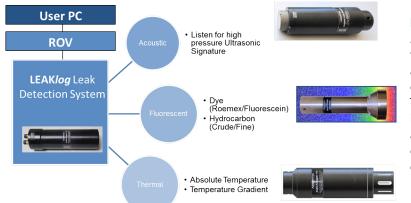
Two stage leak detection via ROV or diver

OVERVIEW

The Aquatec Group designs and manufactures leak detection systems for the oil industry, with over 15 years experience. We use a variety of detection techniques, including fluorescence detection, active and passive acoustic detection, thermal gradient detection, and pressure differential systems. Aquatec leak detection systems are field-proven and



have been used on projects around the world. We also provide systems and operator personnel for hire across the globe, as well as on-site and remote training.



DATA ACQUISITION

Aquatec's leak detection systems use our tried and tested AQUA*logger* data acquisition technology, also found in hydrotest data loggers and our oceanographic data logging instrumentation. The standard LEAK*log* acquisition system has two independent channels that may be connected to a range of different sensors. AQUA*talk* software on the user's PC allows real-time display of leak detection signals.

FLUORESCENCE DETECTION

During precommissioning, fluorescent dye may be injected into the pipeline during the flooding phase so that any leaks are more easily detected. Fluorescent dyes are also used in control fluids. Models in our **LEAK***log* **LR** series of long range fluorometer sensors are available for various fluorescent tracers, including ultra-violet sensors, which are also able to detect hydrocarbons. The sensors can detect very small quantities of tracer dye resulting from leaks, even in highly turbid conditions, when traditional 'black light' technology is insufficiently sensitive. The maximum detection range of a significant leak in clear water is greater than 10 metres.

ACOUSTIC LEAK DETECTION

Following research into the typical signals emitted by high pressure leaks, a highly sensitive directional ultrasonic detection sensor was developed. Background noise such as from an ROV, is filtered out, so that only the ultrasonic signals in the band of interest are monitored and analysed.

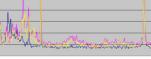
The **LEAK***log* **PA1** acoustic sensor operates alongside the existing fluorometer or thermal sensors, thus providing a two-stage detection process. It is also ideal for situations where the use of fluorescent dyes is either unfeasible or not permissible.

THERMAL LEAK DETECTION

When there is a temperature differential between the sea water and the contents of a pipeline, the fast response **LEAK***log* **T1** temperature probe can be used to detect small thermal plumes rising from the leak source. The probe can provide an absolute temperature output, or an ultra-sensitive temperature gradient output. Typical differential temperature sensitivity is in the order of millidegrees.









KEY FEATURES

ROV or diver held • Field proven systems • Two-stage detection process • 3 different types of sensor Long range fluorometers with max range of 10m • Acoustic sensors for when dye is not permitted • Complete systems

System components

Description	Order code
LEAK <i>log</i> Acquisition System, comprises: 2-channel data acquisition system rated to 3500 m ~ RS232/485 converter; 24V power cable tail for ROV Communications cable tail for ROV ~ AQUA <i>talk</i> control and display software	LEAK <i>log</i> 100
Long Range Rhodamine/Roemex 9022 Fluorometer sensor	LEAK <i>log</i> LR-FR
Long Range Fluorescein Fluorometer sensor	LEAK <i>log</i> LR-FF
Long Range UV Fluorometer sensor	LEAK <i>log</i> LR-UV
Fast response thermal sensor	LEAK <i>log</i> T1
Passive acoustic sensor	LEAK <i>log</i> PA1

System Specification

Long range fluorometer	Dimensions: Max diameter 100 mm, length 296 mm Weight: ~5 kg Material: Stainless steel Depth rating: 3500 m		
Acoustic sensor	Dimensions: Max diameter 80 mm, length 261 mm Weight: 1.4 kg Material: Acetal Depth rating: 2000 m		
Thermal sensor	Dimensions: Max diameter 80 mm, length 292 mm Weight: 1.35 kg Material: Acetal Depth rating: 2000 m		
2-channel data acquisition logger	Dimensions: Max diameter 76 mm, length 268 mm Weight: 1.9 kg Material: Anodised aluminium Depth rating: 3500 m		

Fluorometer Specification

	LR-UV	LR-FF	LR-FR
Excitation	370 nm ±5	472 nm ±18	543 nm ±14
Reception	450 nm ±40	534.5 nm ±24	586 nm ±13
Example dyes	UV dyes	Fluorescein	Roemex 9022, RX-9034A



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