# **AQ-SPEC**

## Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center

# Sensor Description

Manufacturer/Model: Aeroqual Model AQY v0.5

Pollutants: Ozone

Measurement Range: 0 - 200 ppb

Type: Gas Sensitive Semiconductor (GSS)



## Additional Information

## Field evaluation report:

http://www.aqmd.gov/aq-spec/evaluations/field

## Lab evaluation report:

http://www.aqmd.gov/aq-spec/evaluations/laboratory

### **AQ-SPEC** website:

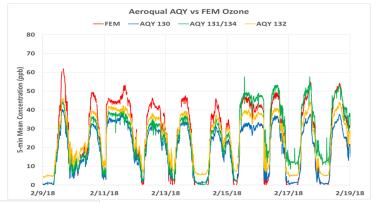
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## **Evaluation Summary**

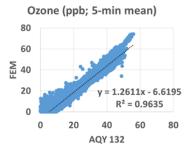
- Overall, the three Aeroqual AQY sensors (Units 130, 131 and 132) showed decreased accuracy with increasing ozone concentration in the laboratory studies; with accuracy ranging from 11.4% at the highest ozone concentration to 79% at the lowest ozone concentration. They underestimated the FEM ozone measurements for a concentration range between 0 to 400 ppb
- The three Aeroqual AQY sensors exhibited high precision for most of the tested T/RH combinations in the environmental chamber.
- The Aeroqual AQY sensors (Units 130 and 132) showed low intra-model variability in the field deployment and low to moderate intra-model variability in the laboratory testing (Units 130, 131 and 132).
- The Aeroqual AQY sensors had good data recovery (>92 % for 5-min average in the field (Units 130 and 132), and 100% for 1-min average in the laboratory (Units 130, 131 and 132)).
- For ozone, the Aeroqual AQY sensors (Units 130 and 132) showed very strong correlations with the reference instrument from both the field ( $R^2 \sim 0.96$ ) and laboratory studies ( $R^2 > 0.97$ ; Units 130, 131 and 132).

## Field Evaluation Highlights

- Deployment period 12/22/2017- 03/27/2018: the Aeroqual AQY sensors (units IDs: 130 and 132) showed very strong correlations with ozone concentration changes as monitored by the FEM instrument.
- The units showed > 92% data recovery as well as low intra-model variability.



 $R^2 \sim 0.96$ 



Coefficient of Determination (R<sup>2</sup>) quantifies how the two sensors (Units 130 and 132) followed the ozone concentration change measured by the FEM instrument.

An R<sup>2</sup> approaching the value of 1 reflects a near perfect agreement, whereas a value of 0 indicates a complete lack of correlation.

## Laboratory Evaluation Highlights

### **Accuracy**

A (%) = 
$$100 - \frac{|\overline{X} - \overline{R}|}{\overline{R}} * 100$$

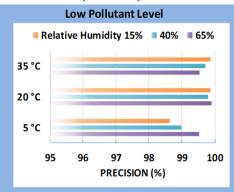
Steady State (#)	Sensor mean (ppb)	FEM (ppb)	Accuracy (%)
1	15.4	19.5	79.0
2	17.9	42.9	41.7
3	20.8	68.8	30.2
4	30.0	178.8	16.8
5	42.0	368.3	11.4

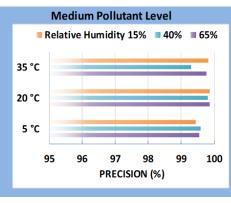
Accuracy was evaluated by a concentration ramping experiment at 20 °C and 40%. The sensor's readings at each ramping steady state are compared to the reference instrument.

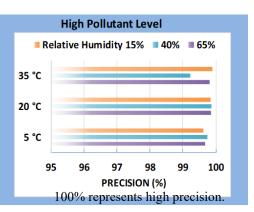
A negative % means sensors' overestimation by more than two fold. The higher the positive value (close to 100%), the higher the sensor's accuracy



### Precision (Ozone)

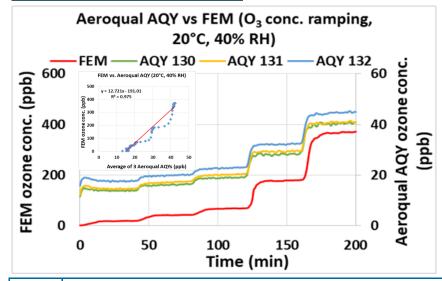






Sensor's ability of generating precise measurements of ozone concentration at low, medium, and high pollutant levels were evaluated under 9 combinations of T and RH, including extreme weather conditions like cold and dry (5 °C and 15%), cold and humid (5 °C and 65%), hot and humid (35 °C and 65%), or hot and dry (35 °C and 15%).

#### Coefficient of Determination



The three Aeroqual AQY sensors showed very strong correlations with the corresponding FEM data (R<sup>2</sup> > 0.97) at 20 °C and 40% RH.

### Climate Susceptibility (R2)

R <sup>2</sup>	5 ℃	20 °C	35 °C
15%	0.966	0.966	0.967
40%	0.969	0.975	0.967
65%	0.970	0.961	0.961

## **Observed Interferents**

N/A



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