

## SLG Liquid Flow Meter Series

### Ultra High Pressure Flow Sensor for LC Applications

- Ultra-low Flow Sensing in the Sub- $\mu\text{l}/\text{min}$  Range
- Operating Pressure up to 1200 bar (17500 psi)
- 40 ms Response Time



#### Product Summary

The SLG Liquid Flow Meter enables precise, bi-directional measurements of dynamic liquid flow rates in the  $\text{nl}/\text{min}$  to low  $\mu\text{l}/\text{min}$  range. This device has been designed for ultra-high pressure applications in Liquid Chromatography Systems (UHPLC). Excellent biocompatibility and chemical resistance is ensured by the use of fused silica, stainless steel and PEEK for all wetted parts.

#### Interface Options

##### Digital

- I2C-Bus
- RS485-Bus
- USB Cable

##### Analog

- Voltage Output (0-10 V)
- Additional operation modes

For more information on communication, please refer to page 2 of this document.

## 1 Sensing Performance

Table 1: Model specific performance of SLG (all data for medium  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $23^\circ\text{C}$ )

Parameter	SLG-0025	SLG-0075		SLG-0150	Unit
		Precision	Extended		
H <sub>2</sub> O Full scale flow rate	1500	5000	20000	8000	$\text{nl}/\text{min}$
H <sub>2</sub> O Sensor output limit <sup>a</sup>	1700	5500	2000/22000 <sup>b</sup>	10500	$\text{nl}/\text{min}$
Accuracy below full scale (whichever error is larger)	10	10	20	5	% of m.v. <sup>c</sup>
	0.5	0.5	n/a	0.5	% of full scale
Repeatability below full scale (whichever error is larger)	0.6	0.6	1.2	0.5	% of m.v.
	0.06	0.03	n/a	0.05	% of full scale
Temperature coefficient (additional error / $^\circ\text{C}$ ; whichever is larger)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.15	% m.v. / $^\circ\text{C}$
	0.03	0.03	n/a	0.015	% full scale / $^\circ\text{C}$
Mounting orientation sensitivity <sup>d</sup>	-	-	-	<0.4	% of full scale
Flow detection response time $\tau_{63}$	40	40	120	40	ms
Response time on power-up	120				ms
Operating temperature	+10...+50				$^\circ\text{C}$
Ambient storage temperature <sup>e</sup>	-10...+60				$^\circ\text{C}$
Operating pressure	1200 (17500)			500 (7250)	Bar (psi)

<sup>a</sup>Flow rate at which the sensor output saturates. See Section 2 for performance between full scale and saturation point

<sup>b</sup>Lower/upper limit

<sup>c</sup>Measured value

<sup>d</sup>No dependence on the mounting orientation for SLG-0025 and SLG-0075. SLG-0150: maximum additional offset when mounted vertically.

<sup>e</sup>Non-condensing, flow path empty

## 1.1 Precision/Extended Mode with the SLG-0075

The SLG-0075 is offering two different flow sensing modes. The Precision Mode allows for precise flow sensing starting at zero flow while the Extended Mode is made for a rough estimation of the current mass flow in higher flow ranges. The Precision Mode is fully bi-directional with continuous output at and around zero. The Extended Mode is uni-directional (positive flow direction only), and sensor output is restricted to the flow range between 2000 nl/min to 22000 nl/min. The calibration for each mode is stored on a separate calibration field (CF):

- Calibration field 0: Precision Mode (default)
- Calibration field 1: Extended Mode

For switching between the two modes of operation the internal calibration field has to be selected accordingly. This can be done either by using the Sensirion USB/RS485 Viewer Software or by specific digital commands (see additional documentation, available on request for either I<sup>2</sup>C or RS485 communication).

## 2 Specifications Charts

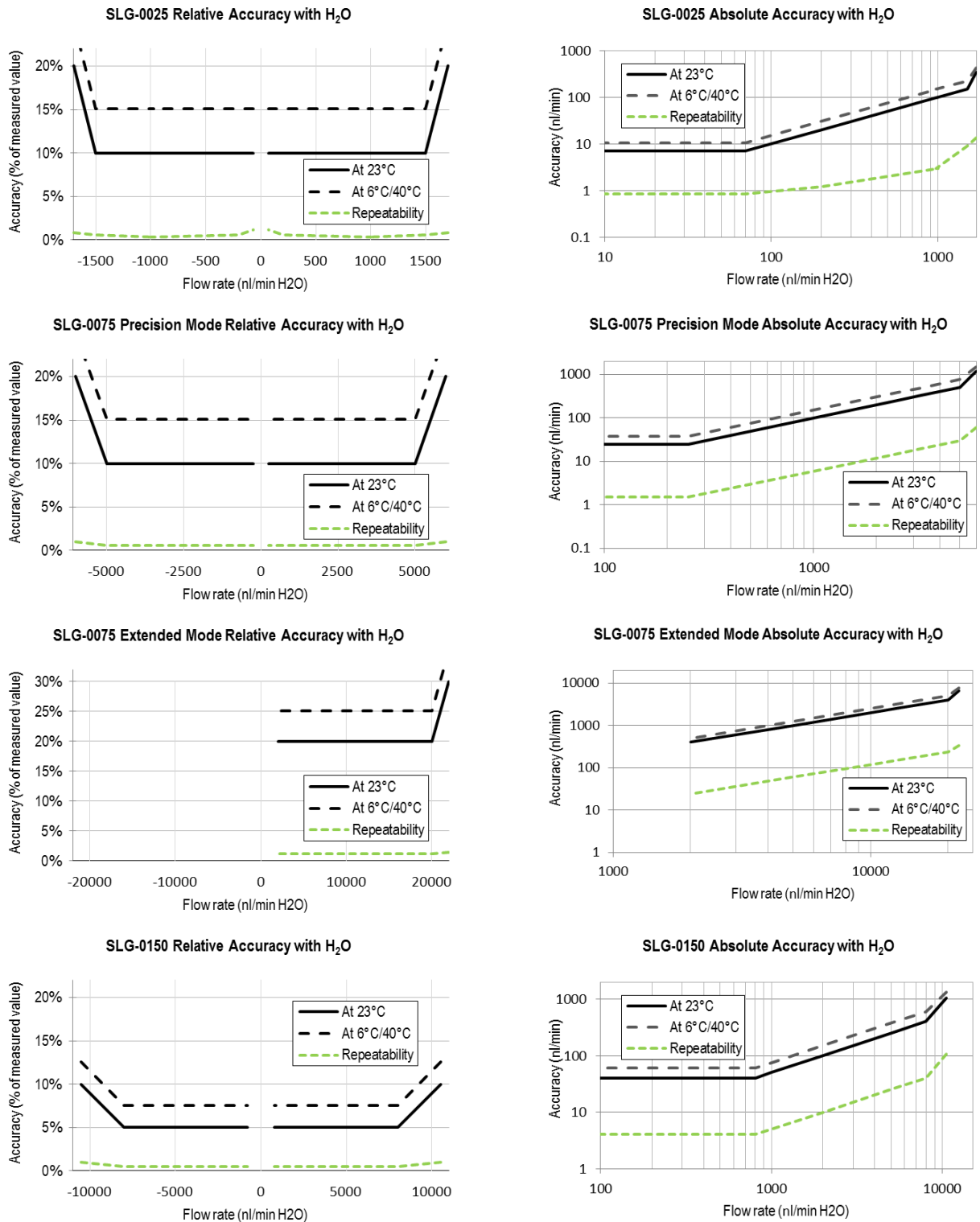


Figure 1: Flow meter accuracy and repeatability across the flow range. Relative error in % of measured value (left column) and absolute error in nl/min (right column) for H<sub>2</sub>O

### 3 Communication with the Sensor

The SLG flow meter shows bidirectional, linear transfer characteristics. The product comes fully calibrated for water.

Digital Sampling Time, 16 bit	74 ms
Digital Sampling Time, 9 bit	1 ms

#### 3.1 Electrical Specifications

Table 2: DC Characteristics

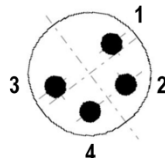
Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power Supply DC, VDD	Sensor only	4	5	6	V
	w. SCC1-RS485	4	5	6	V
	w. SCC1-Analog	12	24	36	V
Operating Current	VDD = 4-6 V		5.1		mA
	w. SCC1-RS485		20	70	mA
	w. SCC1-Analog		4.3		mA

#### 3.2 Electrical Connector and Pinout

The flow meter is equipped with a male connector type M8, 4-pin, threaded lock according to IEC 61076-2-101 (Ed. 1)/ IEC 60947-5-2, and is compatible with Sensirion's SCC1 interface cables.

Table 3: Electrical pinout

Pin	
1	SDA (data)
2	GND
3	VDD
4	SCL (clock)



#### 3.3 Communication via USB cable

The Sensirion USB Sensor Cable provides an easy to use USB Interface for laboratory and desktop use.

For further information please see the SCC1-USB Sensor Cable datasheet, available on [www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download](http://www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download).

#### 3.4 Digital Communication via RS485-Bus

The SCC1-RS485 Sensor Cable for flow sensors allows the communication via RS485 interface for use in a demanding industrial automation environment. In addition to the standard commands available in the

I<sup>2</sup>C interface of the sensor, the incorporated microcontroller of the cable provides more complex logic such as a dispense volume totalizer, automatic dispense detection, automatic heater control and data buffer for asynchronous read-out.

For further information please see the SCC1-RS485 Sensor Cable datasheet, available on [www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download](http://www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download).

#### 3.5 Analog Communication

The SCC1-ANALOG Sensor Cable allows simple and quick readout of Sensirion's liquid flow meters by converting the digital sensor reading to a 0...10.5 V analog voltage output. Additionally, a digital (high/low) output with two different modes of operation is available (Flow Switch / Volume Counter).

For further information please see the SCC1-Analog Sensor Cable datasheet, available on [www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download](http://www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download).

#### 3.6 Digital Communication via I<sup>2</sup>C-Bus

Digital communication between a master and the SLI sensor runs via the standard I<sup>2</sup>C-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.

These lines can be used on 3.3V or 5.0V level with a clock frequency of 100 kHz. For the detailed specifications of this I<sup>2</sup>C communication, please refer to specific I<sup>2</sup>C Application Notes from Sensirion.

Table 4: I<sup>2</sup>C Output Characteristics

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
I <sup>2</sup> C Bus Clock Frequency	100			kHz
Output Voltage Low (SDA/SCL), I <sub>sink</sub> = 6mA		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

## 4 Fluidic Connection

Table 5: Fluidic Specifications

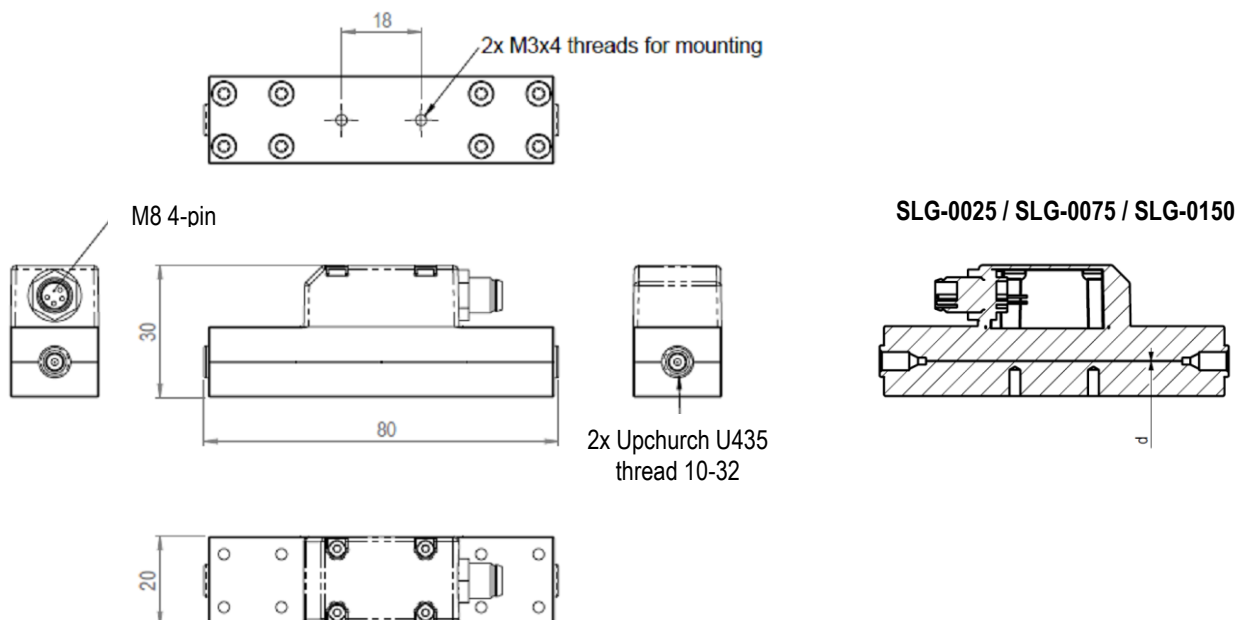
Parameter	SLG-0025	SLG-0075	SLG-0150
Wetted Materials:			
• Internal sensor tube material	Fused Silica		
• Fitting material	Stainless Steel		
• Sealing material	PEEK		
Fluid connector ports (Fittings)	Stainless steel 10-32 coned port for 1/16" OD tubing Upchurch U-435, nanoViper™ compatible		
Pressure drop (at full scale flow rate, H <sub>2</sub> O, 23°C)	2 bar	100 mbar	10 mbar
Total internal volume	100 nl	350 nl	1200 nl

For more information on the fluidic connection please find: "Application Note Sensor Ports and Tubing Connections" in the Download Center on our webpage ([www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download](http://www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download)).

## 5 Mechanical Specifications

Table 6: Mechanical Specifications

Parameter	SLG-0025	SLG-0075	SLG-0150
Largest dimensions	80 x 30 x 20 mm		
Total mass	150 g		
Inner diameter d	25 µm	75 µm	150 µm
Protection class	IP 53		



All dimensions in mm

## Ordering Information

For OEM applications, the flow meter can be purchased in larger quantities without any additional parts. For optimum performance, Sensirion recommends using the SLG flow meters in combination with the SCC1 interface cables.

For laboratory use and technology evaluation, the Flow Meter Kit SLG-xxxx can be ordered.

This laboratory-package contains:

- Liquid Flow Meter SLG-0xxx
- Fitting Material for UHP fittings
- PC Software (Viewer & Data Export Tool)
- SCC1-USB Sensor Cable with USB connector for plug-and-play connection to a PC
- SCC1-Analog Sensor Cable with 0-10 V voltage output.

Table 7: Ordering information

Product	Article Number
SLG-0025 UHPLC Liquid Flow Meter	1-101316-01
SLG-0075 UHPLC Liquid Flow Meter	1-100592-02
SLG-0150 Liquid Flow Meter	1-101374-01
Flow Meter Kit SLG-0025	1-101334-01
Flow Meter Kit SLG-0075	1-100896-02
Flow Meter Kit SLG-0150	1-101389-01

Interface Cables:

SCC1-RS485 Sensor Cable Pigtail 2m	1-100804-01
SCC1-RS485 Sensor Cable Pigtail 5m	1-101122-01
SCC1-ANALOG Sensor Cable Pigtail 2m	1-101072-01
SCC1-ANALOG Sensor Cable Pigtail 10m	1-101219-01
SCC1-USB Sensor Cable 2m	1-101007-01

## 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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The flow meters of the SLG series comply with requirements of the following directives and regulations:



- The device fully complies with norm EN 50081-2 (Emission Test Series), EN 50082-2 (Immunity Test Series) and ESD protection when used in combination with the SCC1-RS485 or SCC1-ANALOG Sensor Cables.
- 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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