

# GPS Radiosonde

## iMS-100(eco)



### Outline

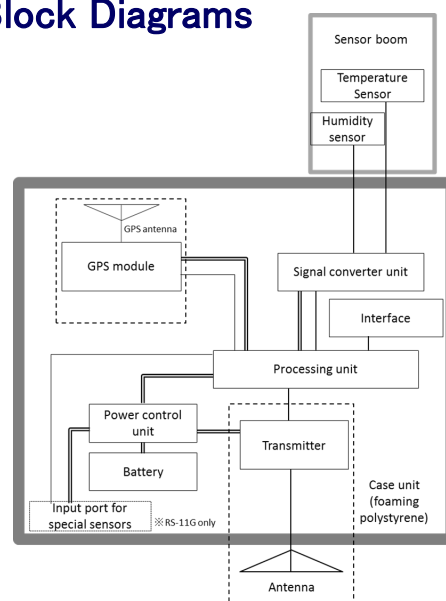
GPS Radiosonde observe meteorological data such as wind speed, wind direction, atmospheric pressure, temperature, and humidity at approximately 35 km above the ground. Wind speed, wind direction, and air pressure are calculated based on the speed of movement and altitude obtained by GPS positioning technology. Every second observation data is converted to digital signals. After that transmit to the ground receiving system.

iMS-100(eco) achieved innovative miniaturization and weight reduction through the aggressive use of the latest electronic components. By doing this, it is possible to reduce the size of balloons and other equipment used during flight and to reduce the amount of gas used. Not only reduces operating costs, plus reduces waste and is environmentally friendly. Furthermore, the frame is made from LACTIF®, which is a biodegradable material made from corn, contributing to the reduction of microplastics. In terms of performance, iMS-100 is certified GRUAN Data Product certification. That is, it adopts highly accurate and transparent algorithms, used for GRUAN observation stations.

### Features

- iMS-100 eco certified GRUAN DATA Product. That can high precision instrumentation for temperature, humidity and wind.
- Light weight 45g (inc. battery) iMS-100 eco helps enhancing safe operation especially when it falls down to the ground.
- Tiny iMS-100 effectively reducing overall operational costs (smaller balloon, fewer gas consumption) depends on the target height
- Downsized iMS-100 can contribute to reduce environmental burden through the entire life cycle (manufacturing, transportation, storage, and disposal)
- Biomaterial package, which is environmental friendly
- One lithium battery enables more than 4 hours sounding operation.
- High stability transmitter complying with ETSI (EN 302 054 V1.1.1)
- Easy preparation through wireless infrared communication (IrDA) between radiosonde and sonde checker unit before launch

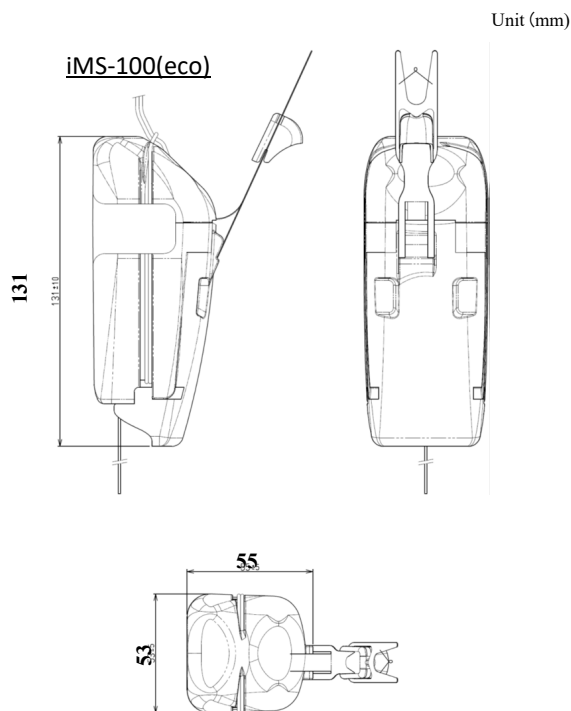
### Block Diagrams



# Specification ※1

<b>Temperature</b>	Measurement range	-95°C ~ +60°C	<b>Transmitter</b>	Center freq.	404.5 MHz	
	Resolution	0.1°C		Tuning range	400 MHz ~ 406 MHz *6	
	Uncertainty*2	(daytime) 0.5 °C@ troposphere 0.8 °C@ stratosphere (night) 0.4 °C@ troposphere 0.4 °C@ stratosphere		Band width	15 kHz以下	
	Response time	< 0.4 s (1,000 hPa, 5 m/s)		Output power	100 m W以下	
<b>Humidity</b>	Measurement range	0%RH ~ 100%RH	<b>Modulation</b>	Transmitter type	FM	
	Resolution	0.1%RH			Standard	EN302 054 V1.1.1
	Uncertainty*2	5%RH @troposphere *3			Modulation type	Digital PCM
	Response time	< 0.2 s (Absorbing, 1,000 hPa, 6 m/s, 0°C) < 14 s (Absorbing, 1,000 hPa, 6 m/s, -60°C)		Baud rate	1,200 bps	
<b>Pressure (from GPS value)</b>	Measurement range	1050.0 hPa ~ 3.0 hPa		Range	>250 km (with Yagi antenna)	
	Resolution	0.1 hPa		Sampling	1second	
	Uncertainty*2,4	1.2 hPa near ground ~100hPa 0.5 hPa (0.5%):100hPa near 0.13 hPa (1.3%):10hPa near		<b>Power</b>	Voltage	3.0 VDC
<b>Geopotential Height</b>	Measurement range	-500.0 m ~ 40,000.0 m		Current	< 200 mA	
	Resolution	0.1 m		Battery type	Lithium battery × 1(CR-123)	
	Uncertainty*2,4	11 m		Operating time	240min	
<b>Wind Direction</b>	Measurement range	0 deg ~ 359.99 deg	<b>Size &amp; Weight</b>	Dimensions	55(W) × 53(D) × 131(H) mm	
	Resolution	0.01 deg			Weight (Including a battery)	45 g (LACTIF®)
	Uncertainty*2,4	1 deg: near ground~10hPa			<b>Accompany- ing items</b>	Unwinder
<b>Wind Speed</b>	Measurement range	0.00 m/s ~ 200.00 m/s		Balloon/parachute	please contact us.	
	Resolution	0.01 m/s				
	Uncertainty*4,5	0.15m/s :near ground~10hPa				
<b>GPS Receiver</b>	Frequency	1574.25 MHz ± 1 MHz				
	Number of channels	66 ch parallel				
	Positioning Technology	D-GPS (SBAS)				
<b>Usage Environment</b>	Pressure	1050.0 hPa ~ 3.0 hPa				
	Temperature	-95°C ~ +60°C				
	Humidity	0%RH ~ 100%RH				

## Outline View



### Note

\*1: Uncertainty are values evaluated as radiosondes for GRUAN (GCOS Reference Upper-Air Network) Please check below URL.

<https://www.gruan.org/documentation/gruan/td/gruan-td-5/>

\*2: Uncertainty are expressed with an inclusion factor k=2, unless otherwise noted.

\*3: Excluding sudden humidity changes near the tropopause.

\*4: PDOP=1 when GPS positioning is good

\*5: Standard deviation (1σ) evaluated using GPS simulator

\*6: Frequency can be changed in 100 kHz increments within the specification range, but please follow the Radio Law regarding the frequency to be used.



### Caution

For safe and correct usage, please read the "Operation Manual" prior to the use of the products.

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