DATASHEET F-232MI

IN-FLOW F-232MI

Industrial Style High-Pressure Mass Flow Controller for Gases



Industrial Style Gas Mass Flow Controllers for High Pressure / High Delta-P

Bronkhorst® model F-232MI Mass Flow Controllers (MFCs) are suited for accurate measurement and control of flow ranges between 2…10 l_n/min and 2…100 l_n/min with an operating pressure up to 350 bar and max. 350 bar pressure difference (ΔP). The MFC consists of a thermal mass flow sensor, a precise control valve and a microprocessor based pc-board with signal and fieldbus conversion. As a function of a setpoint value, the flow controller swiftly adjusts the desired flow rate. The IN-FLOW model is of rugged design (IP65) for use in industrial environments or even Zone 2 hazardous areas, with optional ATEX Cat. 3 or FM Class I, Div. 2 approval.

IN-FLOW series are equipped with a digital pc-board, offering high accuracy, excellent temperature stability and fast response. The main digital pc-board contains all of the general functions needed for measurement and control. In addition to the standard RS232 output the instruments also offer analog I/O. As an option, an on-board interface can be mounted to provide CANopen®, DeviceNet™, EtherCAT®, PROFIBUS DP, PROFINET, Modbus RTU, ASCII or TCP/IP, EtherNet/IP, POWERLINK or FLOW-BUS protocols.

Technical specifications

Measurement / control system

Flow range (intermediate ranges available)	min. 2…10 l_n/min max. 2…100 l_n/min (based on N_2)
Accuracy (incl. linearity) (based on actual calibration)	±0,5% Rd plus ±0,1% FS
Repeatability	< 0,2 % RD
Turndown ratio	1:50
Multi fluid capability	Storage of max. 8 calibration curves
Settling time (in control, typical)	2 … 4 sec.
Control stability	< ± 0,1 % FS
Operating temperature	-10 … +70 °C for ATEX cat. 3 and FM Class 1 Div 2 : 0…50°C
Temperature sensitivity	zero: < 0,05% FS/°C; span: < 0,05% Rd/°C
Pressure sensitivity	0,1% Rd/bar typical N_2; 0,01% Rd/bar typical H_2
Leak integrity, outboard	tested < 2 x 10^{-9} mbar l/s He
Attitude sensitivity	max. error at 90° off horizontal 0,2% at 1 bar, typical N_2
Warm-up time	30 min. for optimum accuracy 2 min for accuracy ± 2% FS

Mechanical parts

Material (wetted parts)	stainless steel 316L or comparable
Pressure rating (PN)	350 bar abs
Min. ΔP	6 bar dif.
Max. ΔP	up to 350 bar dif.
Process connections	compression type or face seal couplings
Seals	standard: FKM/Viton®; options: EPDM, FFKM/Kalrez®
Ingress protection	IP65

Electrical properties

Power supply	+15 … 24 Vdc			
Max. power consumption	Supply	at voltage I/O	at current I/O	extra for fieldbus
	15 V	290 mA	320 mA	<75 mA
	24 V	200 mA	215 mA	<50 mA
Analog output	0…5 (10) Vdc or 0 (4)…20 mA (sourcing output)			
Digital communication	standard: RS232; options: CANopen®, DeviceNet™, EtherCAT®, PROFIBUS DP, PROFINET, Modbus RTU, ASCII or TCP/IP, EtherNet/IP, POWERLINK or FLOW-BUS			

Electrical connection

Analog/RS232	8 DIN (male);
PROFIBUS DP	bus: 5-pin M12 (female); power: 8 DIN (male);
CANopen® / DeviceNet™	5-pin M12 (male);
FLOW-BUS/Modbus-RTU/ASCII	5-pin M12 (male)
Modbus TCP / EtherNet/IP / POWERLINK	bus: 2 x 5-pin M12 (female) (in/out); power: 8 DIN (male);
EtherCAT®/ PROFINET	bus: 2 x 5-pin M12 (female) (in/out); power: 8 DIN (male)
IEC 61010-1	IEC-61010-1:2010 including national deviations for UL (61010-1:2012) and CSA (C22.2 No. 61010-1-12)

Control valve options

External actuator options to be connected to the controller

Ex-proof specifications

Approvals / certificates

Technical specifications subject to change without notice.

For dimensional drawings and hook-up diagrams please visit the product page on our website

Recommended accessories



E-8000 SERIES

Digital Readout / Control Systems

- Bright, wide angle, 1.8" display (TFT technology)
- User friendly operation, menu driven with 4 push buttons



BRIGHT SERIES

Compact Local R/C Module

- Bright, wide angle, 1.8" display
- User friendly operation
- Indication/operation/configuration



PIPS SERIES

Plug-in Power Supply

- For lab-style or industrial devices
- Interchangeable plugs (Euro, UK, USA, Australian, IEC) for mains connection

Related products



IN-FLOW F-231MI

- Min. flow 0,01…0,5 ln/min
  Max. flow 0,2…10 ln/min
- Pressure / ΔP up to 400 bar
- Compact design
- High accuracy and repeatability



IN-FLOW F-132MI

- Min. flow 0,3 ... 15 ln/min
  Max. flow 5 ... 250 ln/min
- Pressure rating 350 bar
- Compact IP65 design
- High accuracy

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