

# **AMETEK APMi Series Intrinsically Safe Advanced Pressure Module User Manual**

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#### Overview

#### INTRODUCTION

The Crystal APM series of intrinsically safe pressure modules allow you to add additional pressure measurement capability to your HPC50 pressure calibrator.

The APM uses the same reliable, high accuracy, digital temperature compensated technology found in Crystal products, housed in a rugged enclosure with a selectable-length cable to connect to your HPC50 calibrator. Two APM modules can be connected to a single HPC50 calibrator.

Note: Currently, the HPC50 is the only Crystal calibrator supported by the APMi pressure module.

**Note:** This manual includes information on the APMi modules only. For details on the operation of the HPC50 Series, please refer to the User Manual.

#### What's Included

Each unit includes an APMi pressure module, an interface cable of your choice (1, 3, or 10 meters), a setting of your choice (1/4 NPT Male, 1/4 BSP Male, or M20 x

1.5 Male), an ISO 17025 Accredited Calibration Certificate (NIST traceable), and AMETEK product CD. Crystal Engineering calibration facilities are A2LA accredited, (#2601.01) which is internationally recognized by ILAC.

#### ADVANCED PRESSURE MODULE APMI INSTRUCTIONS

# **Pressure Connection**

Crystal CPF

System: Medium Pressure Female (MPF) (1/4" medium pressure tube system with 7/16-20 threads). See our CPF Brochure for further information.

U.S. Patent No. 8,794,677

CPF o-ring size and material: AS568A-012, Viton 80 durometer (P/N 3981).

For most applications, CPF Fittings can be hand tightened for use up to 10 000 psi / 700 bar / 70 MPa (no tools required). Wrench tightening is recommended (to achieve a metal-to-metal cone seal) for applications where chemical compatibility of the process uid and the o-ring are a concern, or for pressures above 10 000 psi / 700 bar / 70 MPa. We recommend a tightening torque of 120 in-lbs ±20 in-lbs. Please note this is only a fraction of the typical torque required to seal a 1/4" NPT fitting. If a torque wrench isn't practical to use, the settings can be assembled as follows: Hand tightens thing fully until the cone has bottomed out. Tighten an additional 20° using a wrench. Apply a small amount of media-compatible lubricant to the gland threads and male cone to increase thing life, reduce the likelihood of galling, and promote sealing.

! WARNING: Pressurized hoses and associated equipment are potentially dangerous. Slowly bleed off pressure from the system being pressurized prior to connecting or disconnecting the Crystal APM.

#### **Measuring Vacuum**

All ranges of the APM can be used to measure moderate vacuum. Ranges 300 psi / 30 bar / 3 MPa and below are calibrated for vacuum use.

When measuring pressure less than ambient barometric conditions, a minus sign (-) will appear.

! CAUTION: The APM is not recommended for continuous use at high vacuum.

#### Overpressure Conditions

The APM will read pressure up to approximately 110% of the rated pressure range. The HPC50 Calibrator will display an overpressure warning. For example, above 110% of the range, "OL" will display on the HPC50, indicating an Overload Alarm. The zero function does not act when the "OL" is displayed to indicate overpressure. So depending on the zero value, it is possible that the display will indicate "OL" without the maximum pressure being displayed. For instance, if a 100 psi APMi is zeroed when 30 psi is being applied, it will indicate that the

overpressure condition has been reached at 80 psi. (i.e.,  $110\% \times 100$  psi -30 psi =80 psi).

Overpressure can affect accuracy, but the effect is only temporary unless the sensor has been damaged. See Specifications for maximum allowable overpressure ratings.

# **Specifications**

# ACCURACY psi (Gauge Pressure)

• 18 to 28° C

0 to 30% of Range: . . . ±(0.01% of Full Scale)
30 to 110% of Range: . . ±(0.035% of Reading)

Vacuum\*: . . . ±(0.05% of Full Scale\*\*)

• 20 to 50° C
0 to 30% of Range: . . ±(0.015% of Full Scale)
30 to 110% of Range: . . ±(0.050% of Reading)

Vacuum\*: . . . ±(0.05% of Full Scale\*\*)

Vacuum Range = -14.5 psi / -1.0 bar / -1MPa.

psi (Absolute Pressure with BARO Option)

All absolute accuracies are equivalent to the gauge pressure accuracies, except as noted below.

15 psi / 1 bar / 100 kPa Range: . . . . . Gauge Accuracy + 0.005 psi 30 psi / 3 bar / 300 kPa Range: . . . . . Gauge Accuracy + 0.005 psi

100 psi / 10 bar / 1MPa Range: . . . . . Gauge Accuracy + 0.002 psi

Includes all effects of linearity, hysteresis, repeatability, temperature, and stability for one year.

Exposure to environmental extremes of temperature, shock, and/or vibration may warrant a more frequent recertification period.

APM modules must be exercised and re-zeroed whenever exposed to significant changes in environmental conditions to achieve these specifications. To exercise a module, cycle the module between zero (ambient barometric pressure) and the pressure of interest. A properly exercised module will return to a zero reading (or return to the same

ambient barometric reading).

# **ACCURACY CONTINUED**

All models indicate vacuum, but vacuum specification applies only where specified.

Not recommended for continuous use at high vacuum. Refer to the XP2i-DP data sheet for gauges that are intended for continuous high vacuum use.

The BARO option for the HPC50 Series allows you to toggle between the gauge and absolute pressure using the same APM module.

# **SENSOR**

Wetted Materials. . . . . . . . . . . (wrench tight) 316 stainless steel (finger tight) 316 stainless steel and Viton® with internal o-ring (15 psi / 1 bar / 100 kPa) 316 stainless steel and Viton® Diaphragm Seal

Fluid . . . . . . . . Silicone Oil

All welded, with a permanently lled diaphragm seal.

Metal-to-metal cone seal; O-ring can be removed if necessary. A 1/4" male NPT adapter is included unless BSP or M20. 1/4" medium pressure tube system is compatible with HIP LM4 and LF4 Series, Autoclave Engr SF250CX Male and Female Series.

# **OUTPUT**

Pressure Resolution . . . . . . . . . up to 6 digits

Display Update . . . . . . . . . . . . . up to 10 per second

Pressure resolution and display update are the maximum values available. The resolution of your Crystal device may be different.

<sup>\*</sup> Applies to 300 psi / 30 bar / 3 MPa and lower ranges only.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Full Scale is the numerical value of the positive pressure range.

# PRESSURE OVERLOAD

# **OPERATING TEMPERATURE**

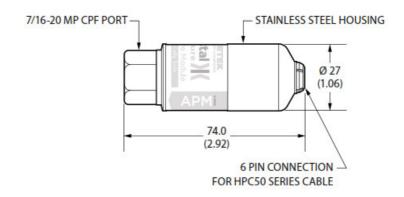
Temperature Range . . . . . . . . -20 to 50° C (-4 to 122° F) < 95% RH, non-condensing. No change in accuracy over an operating temperature range, except as noted in the accuracy specifications.

APM must be zeroed to achieve rated specifications. Applies to all modules.

#### STORAGE TEMPERATURE

Temperature Range . . . . . . . . -40 to 75° C (-40 to 167° F)

**ENCLOSURE** 



# **ACCURACIES, RANGES, AND RESOLUTIONS**

psi	bar	kPa/MPa	Overpressure	psi	kg/cm2	inHg	inH20	mmHg	mmH20	kPa	bar	mbar	MPa
15PSI			3.0 x	0.0001	0.00001	0.001	0.01	0.01	0.1	0.001	0.00001	0.01	
	1BAR		3.0 x	0.0001	0.00001	0.001	0.01	0.01	0.1	0.001	0.00001	0.01	
		100KPA	3.0 x							0.001	0.00001	0.01	
30PSI			3.0 x	0.001	0.0001	0.001	0.01	0.01	1	0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
	3BAR		3.0 x	0.001	0.0001	0.001	0.01	0.01	1	0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
		300KPA	3.0 x							0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
100PSI		100	2.0 x	0.001	0.0001	0.01	0.1	0.1	1	0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
	10BAR		2.0 x	0.001	0.0001	0.01	0.1	0.1	1	0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
		1MPA	2.0 x							0.01	0.0001	0.1	0.00001
300PSI			2.0 x	0.01	0.001	0.01	0.1	0.1		0.1	0.001	1	0.0001
	30BAR		2.0 x	0.01	0.001	0.01	0.1	0.1		0.1	0.001	1	0.0001
		3MPA	2.0 x							0.1	0.001	1	0.0001
1KPSI			2.0 x	0.01	0.001	0.1			[	0.1	0.001		0.0001
	100BAR		2.0 x	0.1	0.001	0.1				0.1	0.001		0.0001
		10MPA	2.0 x							0.1	0.001		0.0001
3KPSI			1.5 x	0.1	0.01	0.1			[	1	0.01		0.001
	300BAR		1.5 x	0.1	0.01	0.1				1	0.01		0.001
		30MPA	1.5 x							1	0.01		0.001
10KPSI			1.5 x	0.1	0.01				[	1	0.01		0.001
	700BAR		1.5 x	0.1	0.01					1	0.01		0.001
		70MPA	1.5 x						Į	1	0.01		0.001

The resolutions shown are the maximum resolutions available. The resolution of your Crystal device may be different.

\* CPF adaptor thing is not included. 1/4" medium pressure tube system is compatible with HIP LM4 and LF4 Series, Autoclave Engr SF250CX Male and Female Series. See our CPF data sheet for additional adapter things.

# **Ordering Information**

Model	P/N	Fitting	Interface Cable Length				
APM	_	_	_				
		NPTomit	1 m / 3.3 ft(omit)				
		G 1/4 BBSP	3 m / 10 ft3M				
		M20x1.5M20	10 m / 33 ft10M				

#### **SAMPLE PART NUMBERS**

#### **Pressure Conversions**

1 PSI = 27.6806 inches of water column (water at 4°C [39.2°F])

703.087 millimeters of water column (water at 4°C [39.2°F])

70.3087 centimeters of water column (water at 4°C [39.2°F])

2.03602 inches of mercury (mercury at 0°C [32°F])

51.7149 millimeters of mercury (mercury at 0°C [32°F])

6.8948 kilopascals

0.070307 kilograms per square centimeter

0.068948 bar

68.948 millibar

0.0068948 megapascals

# **HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS**

The HPC50 Series calibrator with an APMi module has a rating of:



II 1G Ex ia IIC T4/T3 Ga FTZU 18 ATEX 0043X

The APM can be connected and disconnected in Hazardous Areas.





Ex ia IIC T4/T3 Ga IECEx FTZU 18.0012X



Exia Intrinsically Safe and Non-Incendive for Hazardous Locations:



# **Entity Parameters**

Ui = 5.0 V

li = 740 mA

Pi = 880 mW

 $Ci = 9.2 \mu F$ 

 $Li = 12 \mu H$ 

#### Certifications

We declare that the APM is in accordance with the ATEX Directive, Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive, Pressure Equipment Directive, and RoHS Directive per our declaration(s).

Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, and D; Temperature Code T4/T3. Class I, Zone 0, AEx ia IIC T4/T3

DNV:GL This HPC50 is approved for use as a portable test instrument for Marine use and complies with DNV GL Rules for the Classification of Ships, High Speed & Light Craft, and Onshore Units.

# **Support**

If adjustment is required, we recommend returning the APMi to the factory. Factory service ours benefits you won't nd anywhere else. Factory calibration tests your APMi utilizing NIST traceable standards, resulting in calibration certificates that provide performance data and uncertainties. Our calibration facilities are A2LA accredited (cert #2601.01) to ISO 17025:2005 & ANSI/NCSL Z540-1-1994. A2LA is internationally recognized as an accreditation body by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation, ILAC. Furthermore, upgrades may be available to add or enhance operating features. We designed the product to last, and we support it so that you can get the most from your investment.

Under normal operating conditions, we recommend the APM be calibrated on an annual basis. Your quality system may require more or less frequent calibration, or your experience with the gauge or operating environment may suggest longer or shorter intervals.

There are no internal potentiometers. The APM has a "span factor" (users pay), set to approximately 1 (as shipped from the factory). As components age this may need to be changed to a value slightly higher or lower, to slightly increase or decrease all readings. This adjustment can be made with a computer through our free CrystalControl software.

"Zero" the APMi, then record the displayed pressure for two or more pressure points. Determine if the APMi would benet from an overall increase or decrease of the indicated pressures. Adjust the user span value accordingly and validate the results.

#### **ACCESSORIES AND REPLACEMENT PARTS**

MPM-1/4MPT CPF Male to 1/4" Male NPT Fitting Included as standard MPM-1/4BSPM CPF Male to 1/4" Male BSP Fitting Included with -BSP MPM-M20x1.5M CPF Male to M20 Male Adapter Included with -M20

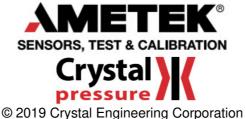
# **WARRANTY**

Crystal Engineering Corporation warrants the APM (Advanced Pressure Module) to be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service for one (1) year from the date of purchase to the original purchaser. It does not apply to batteries or when the product has been misused, altered, or damaged by an accident or abnormal conditions of operation.

Crystal Engineering will, at our option, repair or replace the defective device free of charge and the device will be returned, transportation prepaid. However, if we determine the failure was caused by misuse, alteration, accident, or abnormal condition of operation, you will be billed for the repair.

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