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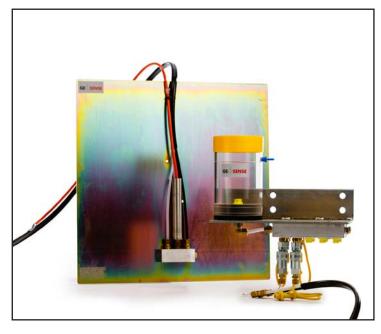




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## Overview





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The main components are a reservoir (single or multiple), liquid-filled tubing and a vibrating wire pressure transducer cell mounted on a plate or, for borehole application, attached to an anchor.

The vibrating wire sensor is attached to a settlement plate at the point of estimated settlement. The sensor is connected via two liquid-filled tubes which are connected to a reservoir located on stable ground.

As the transducer settles with the surrounding ground the height of the column is increased and the corresponding higher pressure is measured by the transducer.

Settlements are calculated by converting the pressure to millimetres of liquid head.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Sub-surface point settlements/heave beneath:

**Embankments** 

Surcharges

Fills

Dams

Landfills

#### **FEATURES**

Not affected by barometric pressure

In-situ checks available

Air can be easily removed

Manual or automated readout

Reservoir can be sited away from construction

Not affected by cable length



# Specifications

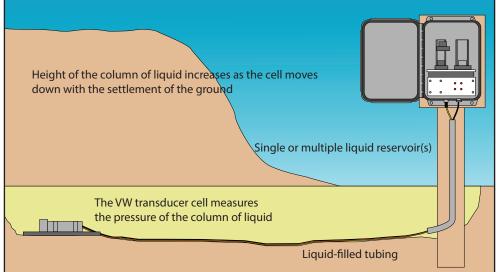
### **GENERAL**

| Standard Range*   | 7, 17 metres  |
|-------------------|---|
| Sensor accuracy   | 0.1% full scale   |
| System accuracy   | Site dependent  |
| Resolution        | 0.025% full scale   |
| Temperature range | -20°C to +80°C  |
| MODEL             | DESCRIPTION   |
| VWPS-201V         | VW vented pressure sensor 70 kPa                                      |
| VWPS-202V         | VW vented pressure sensor 140 kPa                                     |
| VWPS-203V         | VW vented pressure sensor 175 kPa                                     |
| VWPS-204V         | VW vented pressure sensor 345 kPa                                     |
| VWPS-201S         | VW sealed pressure sensor 70 kPa                                      |
| VWPS-202S         | VW sealed pressure sensor 140 kPa                                     |
| VWPS-203S         | VW sealed pressure sensor 175 kPa                                     |
| VWPS-204S         | VW sealed pressure sensor 345 kPa                                     |
| VWSR211R          | 1 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR212R          | 2 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR213R          | 3 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR214R          | 4 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR215R          | 5 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR216R          | 6 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR217R          | 7 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR218R          | 8 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR219R          | 9 cell reservoir  |
| VWSR220R          | 10 cell reservoir   |
| VWSP230           | 450 x 450mm plate   |
| VWSP231           | 500 x 500mm plate   |
| K10-045           | 6mm OD x 4mm ID twin nylon tubing with PVC outer sheath - per metre   |
| Q10-020           | Type 900- VW Sensor with Foil Screen & Drain Wire 1 cable - per metre |

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The pressure sensor transducer uses a pressure sensitive diaphragm with a vibrating wire element attached to it which is mounted inside an evacuated and hermetically sealed housing. Various housings are available to suit application.

The transducer operates on the principle that a tensioned wire, when plucked, vibrates at its resonant frequency. The square of this frequency is proportional to the strain in the wire.

Fluid pressures acting on the diaphragm causes a deflection of the diaphragm which then changes the tension in the vibrating wire thus altering the resonant frequency of the wire.

Vented System: The pressure sensor is vented so that it is automatically compensated for changes in atmospheric pressure.

Sealed System: The pressure sensor is sealed and therefore independent atmospheric readings should be taken and compensations made accordingly.

VWLSS-200 vibrating wire settlement sensors may be read by the VW-2106 or any vibrating wire readout device and may be readily data logged using Campbell Scientific or any other data loggers with vibrating wire interface modules.

Vibrating wire transducers output a frequency signal, and are therefore insensitive to resistance changes in connecting cables caused by contact resistance or leakage to ground.

Cable may be readily and simply extended on site without special precautions. Gauges may be read up to 1000 metres away from their installed location without change in calibration.

### ORDERING INFORMATION

| Sensor type              |
|--------------------------|
| <br>Sensor range         |
| <br>Plate size           |
| <br>Number of reservoirs |
| <br>Tube length          |
| <br>Cable length         |





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