

User Guide




essentim scope

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Notes

	<p>Warning: This symbol is a warning. It describes a dangerous situation or indicates safety risks.</p>
	<p>Note: This symbol indicates important information.</p>
	<p>This symbol of a crossed-out wheeled bin indicates that this device contains electronic components and should not be disposed of with household waste in accordance with Directive 2002/96 / EC (WEEE).</p>

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Safety Instructions

Read these safety instructions carefully before using the device and always keep the instructions accessible!



Warning!

Always observe all safety instructions in this document!

A non-observance may result in personal injury or property damage!

Always keep the safety instructions and the user manual accessible.

- Observe all technical limits and storage conditions for the device.
- If the device is obviously damaged, it must be decommissioned and ensured.
- Do not try to repair or modify the device. For maintenance and repair, it must be returned to the manufacturer or a specific location.
- Pre-commissioning, the safety instructions and the user manual must be read and understood by the user. Only persons to whom this applies may put the device into usage.
- In addition to the safety instructions in this user manual, the basic work safety regulations must be observed.
- The system is safe and reliable and complies with the relevant EU directives. In case of improper use, the user, third parties or property may be damaged.
- Safety risks arising from used and scope-monitored biological material or samples are the responsibility of the user.
- Maintenance or repairs may only be performed by the manufacturer or persons/companies commissioned by the manufacturer.
- Do not use the device in potentially explosive atmospheres, aggressive atmospheres or explosion protection zones.
- The device is not a toy. Keep away from children and animals.
- Never immerse the device completely in liquid.
- Avoid ingress of liquid through the charging interface.
- Protect the device from direct sunlight.
- Do not remove safety signs or labels from the device. Keep all safety signs and labels in a readable condition.
- Do not open the device with a tool.
- The product should not be sterilized.

Intended Use and User

The scope was developed to monitor biological samples in the laboratory. For this, the scope is attached directly to the respective vessel or sample and carried along by the complete process. In addition to use in the laboratory, the scope can also be used for transport monitoring, as long as the safe operating conditions are not surpassed or under-passed.



Warning!

Always follow the stated safe conditions of use!

- The operating temperature is -20 °C to + 60 °C with non-condensing humidity up to 100 % and an ambient pressure of 0.8 bar to 1.2 bar.
- Scopes should be used as a stationary or mobile measuring unit.
- Scopes must be charged at room temperature (but in any case between 0 °C and 40 °C).
- Only use essentim approved cables and extension in conjunction with the scope.
- Avoid mechanical stress on the scope, damage to the housing may damage the lithium-polymer battery. This can lead to leakage of liquids from the battery or short circuits and temperature development.
- For transport monitoring, the transport destination of the respective transport service provider with regard to lithium-containing batteries must be considered. For more information contact your transport service or essentim GmbH.

The typical user is e.g. a trained laboratory assistant / assistant / technician / student. Every user must read and understand the safety and the user manual.

Device Description

General Information

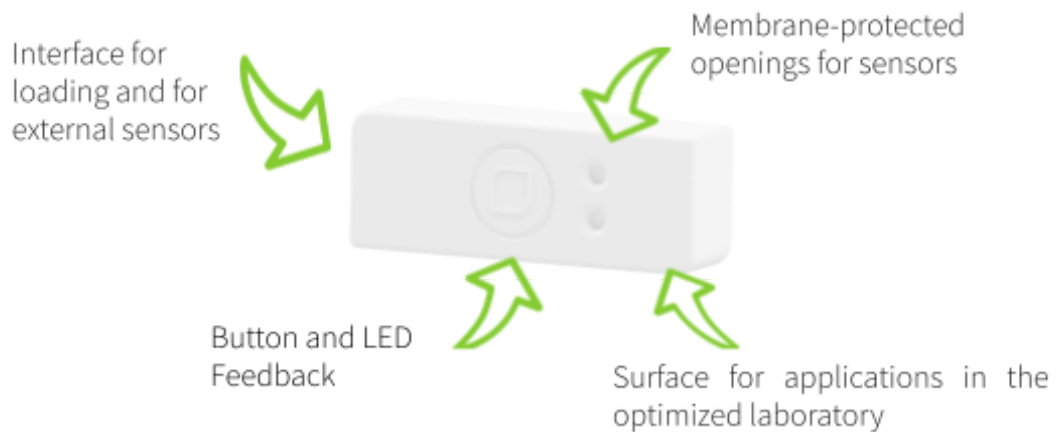
The scope is a wireless sensor with a recording function (datalogging function). The data is transmitted in real time via Bluetooth broadcasts and stored in parallel in the local memory.

The scope measures temperature, humidity, vibration and movement, brightness and barometric pressure. Through an interface, the scope can be extended by various measurement parameters. The scope has a button for switching on and off and interaction during operation.

Through an electrostatic adhesive strip ("Gecko-strip"), the scope can be attached to smooth surfaces and removed without leaving any residue easily.

To achieve a 24/7 monitoring the scope can be used in combination with the wireless sensor infrastructure of essentim. This requires at least one essentim gateway. Further information can be found at www.essentim.com/en/essentim-sensors.

scope



Technical data

Producer	essentim GmbH
Model	scope version 4
Type	Wireless multi-parameter-sensor
Power supply for charging	5V DC (min. 50mA)
Battery type	Lithium-Polymer-Battery, 35mAh, rechargeable, firmly installed
Operating conditions (EN / IEC 61010-1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operating location - Operating temperature - Humidity - Other 	<p>Inside, in a transport box with securing, not for outdoor use, no use or storage in potentially explosive atmosphere</p> <p>-20 °C to 60 °C</p> <p>Maximum 100 % relative humidity, non-condensing</p> <p>Do not expose to chemicals or mechanical stress. The product must not be sterilized! Observe the cleaning instructions in the user manual to avoid damage.</p>
Terms for storage and charging process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Temperature - Humidity - Storage 	<p>0 °C to 40 °C</p> <p>10 % to 50 %</p> <p>Keep away from frost and heat, prevent from contact with hazardous materials, storage in a place protected from dust and direct sunlight</p>
EMV	DIN EN 61326-1; VDE 0843-20-1:2013-07
Other conformities	RoHS, FCC, IC, CE MIC, KC
Protection (EN 60529)	non
Sensor specification and measuring range <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Temperature - Air humidity - Barometric pressure - Brightness - Motion 	<p>-20 °C to 60 °C (+/-0,3K)</p> <p>0 % to 100% (+/- 2%)</p> <p>300 hPa to 1100 hPa (+/- 1hPa)</p> <p>0 % to 100 % (dark to very bright)</p> <p>Stop detection, motion detection</p>
Interfaces	BLE (BT4.2), USB-C for charging and connecting sensor extensions (no USB)
Dimensions	43 x 16 x 10,5 (in mm)
Weight	Ca. 10 g

Transport and Storage



Warning!

Improper transport can lead to personal injury and property damage. Observe all instructions for safe transport.

The scope must be secured against vibrations during transport. The scope must be positioned so that the button is not mistakenly pressed.

Always take into account the transport guidelines of your transport service provider when transporting lithium-containing batteries. Information can be obtained directly from the transport service provider or contact **essentim**.

Unused scopes should be stored with a charge of about 30 %.



Note

It is recommended to store the scopes no longer than 3 months without charging. Long-term storage can shorten the maximum battery life.

Terms for storage and charging process	
- Temperature	0 °C to 40 °C
- Humidity	10 % to 50 %
- Storage	Keep away from frost and heat, prevent from contact with hazardous materials, storage in a place protected from dust and direct sunlight

Commissioning

When using the scope for the first time, the following steps must be taken:

1. Fully charge all scopes before the first use. A fully charged scope signals the completed charging process with a continuous green LED.
2. If the scope is not yet switched on, press the button briefly to start the scope.
3. Seal the interface with the supplied anti-dust plug.
4. Remove the protective foil from the Gecko-strip on the back of the scope.



Note

To use the battery effectively, the scope should always be fully discharged and then fully charged.



Warning!

Only use **essentim** accessories to charge the scope.

Device functions

The scope has a number of measurement and interaction options. Please note that some functions can only be run in combination with the essentim app (the note "App" is added as an annotation for these features).

Button

The button has three functions:

- Switch on / switch off
- Reset
- User interaction with the scope

Switch on / switch off

The scope can be switched on and off by pressing the centrally located button. To switch on, a short press of the button is sufficient, to switch off the button must be pressed for 6 to 7 seconds.

The scope switches itself off at low battery level by itself to prevent a deep discharge.



Note

After switching off due to a low battery level, the scope no longer can be activated through pushing the button, but only by charge.

When switched on, the green LED flashes several times;
When switched off, the red LED flashes several times.

Reset

By pressing the button for 12.5 seconds or longer, a reset is performed - the scope is reset and restarted.



Note

Measured data from the memory is not lost during a reset, individual settings can be lost.

User interaction with the scope

In the switched-on mode, pressing the button briefly will result in an event which is sent via Bluetooth. In the essentim apps, an interaction with the scope can thus be determined. At the same time, corresponding windows open and commands can be executed. When manually reading out stored data, the button on the scope must be briefly pressed once to start the transmission.



Note

Details can be found in the description of the app (for example, "bind scope", "data fetch" or "pop-ups").

LED function

The red and green LEDs provide feedback on the current situation of the scope.

In principle, the red LED indicates a problem (exception when switching off), while the green LED indicates an activity.

Action	Flash code	LED colour
switch on	„long short short short” flashing	GREEN
data transmission	short flashing once	GREEN
advertising / discoverable mode	regular short flashing	GREEN
bluetooth connect	fast regular flashing	GREEN
read memory	very fast flashing / flickering	GREEN
charging	slow flashing	GREEN
fully charged	permanent light	GREEN
identify scope	very fast flashing	GREEN
error	short flashing	RED
switch off	“long short short short“ flashing	RED
data transmission without time set	short flashing once	RED

Find / Identify scope (App)

With the app it is possible to set a flash for 15 seconds at the scope. This simplifies e.g. to find the right sample in the incubator or simply to identify the correct scope. This feature must be done via app.

Memory (App)

All measurement data is automatically stored on the local memory. If the scope is e.g. outside the receiving range of the sensor network (scouter), data security is still ensured.



Note

The data is only stored in memory if the time has been set on the scope. The time is set as soon as the scope is located in a sensor network or connected to an app.

The memory holds about 100.000 measuring points. Depending on the measurement interval, this represents a period of one month to one year.

The readout is done automatically in a sensor network of essentim or can be triggered manually by the user through the app.

Operating modes (App)

Different situations require different behavior of the scope. We have defined three possible modes to perform a variety of measurement tasks.

Operating modes can be set via app. By default the "Dynamic Mode" is defined. The scope also has the "Logger Mode" and "Static Mode". These can be set to implement data monitoring, data logging or long-term measurements.

Magic Time (App)

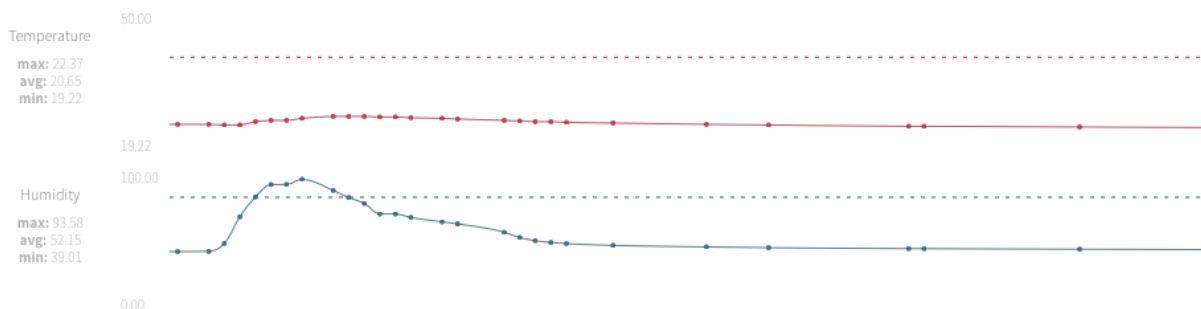
The Magic Time has to be set via app. The default is set to 300 seconds.

In all three operating modes, this time defines a characteristic interval for the measurement.

Dynamic Mode

In Dynamic Mode, the transmission and storage interval of the measured values varies automatically. The selection criterion used is the change of a measured value: If the measured value changes steadily, the data is transmitted frequently, it changes only rarely (static ambient conditions) and is only transmitted in the maximum time interval. The maximum time interval is defined by the second parameter ("Magic Time"). The minimum measurement interval is set to 6 seconds. After each measurement, it is decided by comparison with the previous measurement whether this measurement should be transmitted or not.

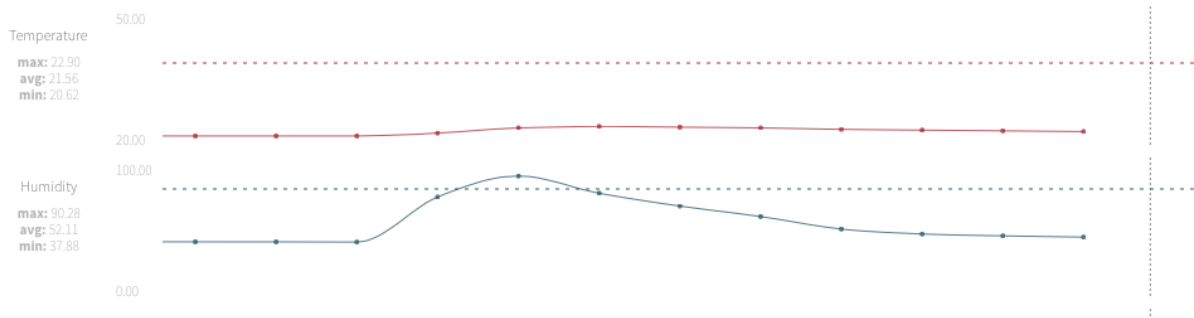
This dynamic behavior optimizes the number of measurement points depending on how many changes occur in the environment and thus helps to save energy while working for the best possible resolution of interesting times.



The figure shows the data points of a scope in Dynamic Mode with a Magic Time of 60 seconds. The distance between the measuring points is small when many changes occur and is greater (measured value transmission every 60 seconds) when all values are constant.

Static Mode

In Static Mode, measured data is always transmitted and stored at the same interval. The time value can be set in static mode via the Magic Time.



The figure shows the data points of a scope in Static Mode with a Magic Time of 15 seconds. The distance between the measuring points is always constant.

Logger Mode

In Logger Mode, the data is stored only in the local memory, the data is not sent via Bluetooth. The measurement interval is determined by the Magic Time. In order to read the data, the button of the scope must be pressed while the scope is in the receiving area of the sensor network. The data can also be requested manually via the app.



Note

Please refer to our video tutorials and the detailed user guide for the app to help you understand how to use the feature.



Note

In Dynamic Mode, time describes the maximum transmission and storage interval between two measuring points.
 In Static Mode, time describes the exact transmission and Storage interval between two measuring points.
 In Logger Mode, time describes the exact storage interval between two Measuring points.

Scope-designation (App)

The scope designation can be freely defined via app. The scope can be assigned an individual designation of up to 16 characters.

Cleaning, Maintenance and Repair

Cleaning

The scope can be cleaned with distilled water or Isopropanol (70%). The cleaning fluid should be applied with a wet wipe or by direct wetting.

essentim recommends the following procedure for cleaning:

1. Turn off the scope.
2. Insert the anti-dust plugs into the charging interface.
3. Wet the scope with Isopropanol on all sides.
4. Let the liquid work for one minute.
5. Then wipe the scope dry with a microfibre cloth.
6. Wait another five minutes to allow all residual Isopropanol to evaporate.
7. The procedure can be repeated if necessary.
8. The scope can be used again.



Warning!

The scope should not be sterilized! essentim is not approved for sterilization processes of any kind, as both thermal and chemical processes can destroy the scope and can lead to property damage and personal injury!

Maintenance and Repair

Checking the measuring accuracy

To determine the accuracy of the measurement, we recommend carrying out an annual meteorological feedback.

Replacement of Gecko-strip

1. Peel off the Gecko-strip from the scope housing (do not use sharp objects that could damage the housing).
2. If necessary, remove any adhesive residue with a microfibre cloth soaked in Isopropanol.
3. Wait for the splice to dry completely.
4. Apply the new Gecko-strip to the cleaned recessed splice on the back of the scope.
5. Peel off the protective foil from the Gecko-strip.

Malfunction

In the event of a malfunction, please contact essentim GmbH.

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FAQs

1. What are the main functions of the scope?

- The scope was developed to accompany biological samples, cells or microbes in the laboratory process. The scope can be easily attached to commercially available sample vessels with the attached Gecko-strip and runs without any adjustments to the workflow through the entire process. By measuring the atmospheric parameters directly at the point of interest, a detailed diagram of the overall process is created.
- The scope measures temperature, humidity, barometric pressure, brightness and movement.
- The battery of the scope lasts for about a month and can be charged in about two hours.
- The scope can also be used for stationary monitoring, e.g. as a control sensor in the incubator.
- The scope can also be used for transport monitoring (refer to the instructions in the transport section of this user manual).
- If the scope is not within an essential sensor network, it stores data in a local memory if the time was previously set. This data can be accessed via essential apps via Bluetooth.

2. How can I set the time of the scope?

- The time is automatically set as soon as the scope is connected to a sensor network or connected to an essentim app.
- The time is a precondition for storing the data in the local memory of the scope.
- If the time is not set, the scope flashes red regularly.

3. What is the temperature measurement range of the scopes?

- The scope can be used in a range from -20 °C to + 60 °C.
- The battery life is shortened at very low temperatures.

4. What can I do if I want to measure outside this measuring range?

- An extension module allows a PT100 sensor to be mounted on the scope.

5. How does transport monitoring work with the scope?

- The scope must be connected to an essential sensor network. Once the time has been set automatically, the measured values are stored in the internal memory and the scope can be attached to a shipping unit. When the scope returns to the receive area, the data is loaded automatically. Please have a look at our tutorial videos at <https://essentim.com/en/support-en#videos>. However, please observe the shipping regulations of your shipping service provider regarding lithium-containing batteries.

Troubleshooting

1. **The scope can not be turned on, I see no feedback from the LEDs. Not even if I press the button.**
 - Try to charge the scope. If the scope is completely uncharged, it can only be switched on via charging, not via the button.

or
 - Press the button for 13 seconds. A reset will be performed.

2. **The scope does not appear in my app, but it flashes regularly when I press the button.**
 - Press the reload button in the web browser or restart the app.

or
 - The scouter receives no signal from the scope. Bring the scope closer to the scouter.

3. **Data points are missing, although the scope was on and loaded all the time.**
 - The scope was outside the receiving range. Move the scope close to the scouter and check if the data is automatically loaded. If data is still missing, use the manual data read function in the app (Assay View / Readings section).

or
 - The scope was in Logger Mode. Press the button of the scope.

or
 - The scope was switched off or in the charging process. Look in the graph under the section "Events" and check if at the beginning and the end of the gap a corresponding event (turn off / on, charging started / stopped) is noted.

Disposal

The scope must not be disposed of with household waste.

Before disposal, the scope must be completely discharged, so that it can not be switched on again by a button pressure.

The devices can be brought to collection points for waste electrical and electronic equipment for disposal.



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Changelog

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