# FIS MEMS Gas Sensor SM-30 For ALCOHOL DETECTION

The SM-30 is a tin dioxide semiconductor gas sensor which has a high sensitivity to alcohol with excellent cross sensitivity. SM-30 uses newly devloped MEMS (Micro Electro Mechanical Systems) technology. Compared with conventional bead type sensors (SB-30), only 15% of power, 20mW, is required. Strengths such as short initial action time, quick response, and long life is the most suitable for personal alcohol checkers.

#### Structure

Membrane structure is formed at the center of 1.5mm square silicone substrate. Gas sensitive material is formed on the sensor electrodes which are sputtered on the membrane (Fig. 2.) Heater electrode using thin-film platinum is in the insulation membranes. This structure is a bridge formation which increases thermal insulation to the silicon substrate and decreases thermal loss. Chip's electrodes are connected to external terminals by wirebond. (Fig. 1.) The plastic package has twelve holes, 0.3mm in diameter.

Operating conditions Fig. 3, 4, and 5 show pin assignment, equivalent circuit, and standard operating circuit, respectively. The specified constant voltage (heater voltage: VH) is applied to the heater to maintain the sensing element at a suitable temperature. The change of the sensor resistance (RS) is obtained as the change of the output voltage across the fixed or variable resistor (RL). In order to obtain the best performance and specified characteristics, the values of the heater voltage (VH), circuit voltage (VC) and load resistance (RL) must be within the range of values given in the standard operating conditions shown in the Specification table on the next page.

Sensitivity characteristics (typical data)
Sensitivity characteristics of the semiconductor gas sensors are expressed in log-log scale by the relationship between the sensor resistance (RS) and gas concentration (Fig.6.) The sensor resistance decreases with an increase of reducing gas (ethanol, acetone, etc.) concentration. The sensitivity characteristics of the SM-30 is specified by the following parameter.

Sensor resistance in clean air

• Sensor resistance ratio between 100ppm of ethanol and in clean air.

See the specification table on the next page for further details.

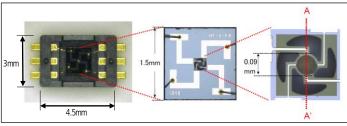


Fig. 1 Structure

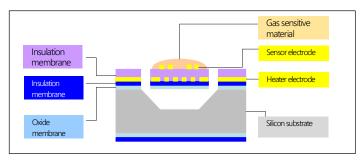


Fig. 2 Sensor cross-section of A-A

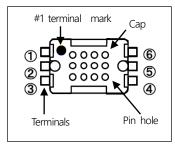


Fig 3 Pin assignment

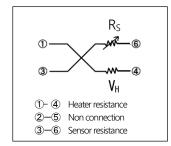


Fig. 4 Equivalent circuit

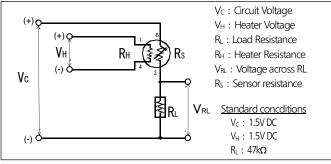


Fig. 5 Standard circuit

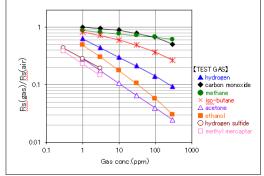


Fig. 6. Sensitivity characteristecs



### Specifications

# A. Standard operating conditions

| Symbol         | Parameter                | Specification         | Remark    |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| VH             | Heater voltage           | 1.5V±4%               | DC        |
| Vc             | Circuit voltage          | <=1.5V                | DC        |
| R∟             | Load resistance          | variable              |           |
| R <sub>H</sub> | Heater resistance        | $60\Omega$ (Center)   | w/o power |
|                |                          | 115 $\Omega$ (Center) | w/power   |
| lн             | Heater current           | 13mA (Center)         |           |
| PH             | Heater power consumption | 20mW (Center)         |           |

#### B. Environmental conditions

| Symbol          | Parameter      | Specification   | Remark          |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Tao             | Operating temp | 0°C to +40°C    |                 |
| T <sub>as</sub> | Storage temp   | -10°C to +70°C  |                 |
| RH              | Relative humid | Less than 95%RH | No condensation |
| R <sub>H</sub>  | Oxygen conc.   | 18% to 21%      |                 |

#### C. Parts and Materials

| No. | Parts        | Materials              |
|-----|--------------|------------------------|
| 1   | Housing      | Liquid crystal polymer |
| 2   | Sensor chip  | Single crystal silicon |
| 3   | Сар          | Liquid crystal polymer |
| 4   | Bonding wire | Gold                   |
| 5   | Terminal     | Cu-Ni Au plating       |

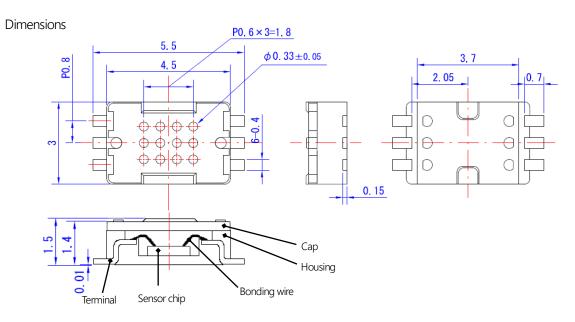
## D. Sensitivity characteristics (SM-30-00)

| Symbol                   | Parameter         | Specification      | Remark            |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Rs                       | Sensor resistance | 800K to $2M\Omega$ | In clean air      |
| В                        | Sensitivity       | Lower than 0.15    | Rs in 100ppm EtOH |
|                          | ·                 |                    | Rs in air         |
| Standard test conditions |                   |                    |                   |

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} Temp: 20^{\circ}C\pm2^{\circ}C & VC=1.5V+0/-1\% \\ R.H.: 65\%\pm5\% & VH=1.5V\pm1\% \\ Pre-heating time: More than 48 hours & RL=470K$\Omega$\pm1\% \\ \end{tabular}$ 

# E. Mechanical and electric strength

| Items         | Conditions      |                  | Specifications               |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Vibration     | Frequency       | 5~500Hz          | Should satisfy "D.           |
|               | Acceleration    | 1.3G             | Sensitivity                  |
| Shock         | Height          | 1m               | characteristics"after the    |
| (drop)        | Surface         | Concrete         | test                         |
|               | Number of drops | 3 times          |                              |
| Insulation    | Voltage         | 500V AC          | Insulation resistance : more |
|               |                 |                  | than $5M\Omega$              |
| Voltage       | Voltage         | 1000V AC         | Leak current1mA              |
| Electrostatic | Capacitance     | 100pF            | Should satisfy "D.           |
| discharge     | Resistance      | $1.5$ k $\Omega$ | Sensitivity                  |
|               | Voltage         | 200V             | characteristics"after the    |
|               | Time            | 1sec             | test                         |
|               | Number of tests | 3 times          |                              |



In the interest of continued product improvement, we reserve the right to change design features without prior notice.



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