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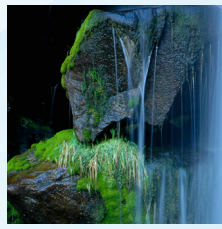
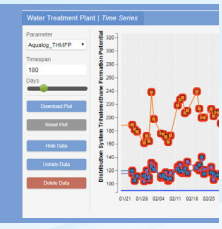
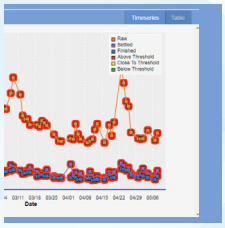
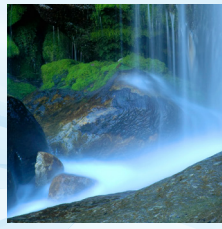
Aqualog®—Next For Water Treatment Organics Monitoring

Featuring EzSpec™ Software









A Better, Faster Method for Monitoring Organic Carbon Concentration and Composition

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Aqualog®–Next

For Drinking Water Treatment Plants

Validated, Automated Organic Analysis

The Aqualog®-Next monitors Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) concentration and composition, Disinfection By-Products (DBPs), DBP precursors, aromatic petroleum hydrocarbons, algae, and algal pigments associated with toxins, taste and odor issues. It comprises a patented two-in-one spectroscopic instrument providing absolute molecular fingerprints and a data acquisition package called EzSpec™. The DataStream™ analysis package then automatically interprets the water sample measurements. Reported are high, low and Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) threshold values of water quality parameters, providing timely actionable data to the water treatment plant operator. This is accomplished with simple push button operation and minimal sample preparation, and consumables.

Early Warning Sentinel

The Aqualog®-Next is an early warning sentinel for water treatment plants since it provides nearly instantaneous determination of DOC and composition, as well as Trihalomethanes (THM) formation potential, among many other key parameters. The early alerts facilitate prompt follow-up measurements according to established protocols, SOPs and regulations.

Saves Money

The DOC and enhanced THM formation predictive features of Aqualog®-Next have been documented to potentially save, on average, 5-10% of the annual chemical budget of a typical drinking water treatment plant. Chemical dosing needs to be applied only when the monitored levels are predicted to rise above pre-determined thresholds to ensure spending remains within the chemical budget for a given water treatment plant.

Rapid Return on Investment

The Aqualog®-Next provides rapid return on investment. With the typical annual chemical expense savings, the purchase of an Aqualog®-Next pays for itself within the first three to six months, and thereafter, those savings accrue every year.

For large municipalities, and large water companies, the Aqualog®-Next can save millions of dollars.

"We have been using the Aqualog instrument on a daily basis to monitor our treatment process performance, disinfection by-product formation potential and chlorophyll and phycocyanin signature intensities. The ability to obtain multiple measures from a single instrument is convenient and effective."

Lori Silburt, Plant Manager
Wheeling Water Treatment

It's All About Organics

The Aqualog®-Next is a novel and valuable optical tool in the organics laboratory for water treatment plants. It is superior to conventional instruments in speed, sensitivity, and selectivity for organics.

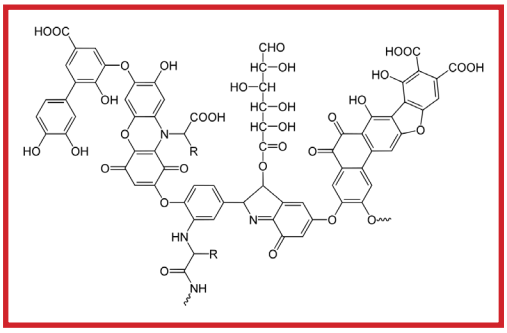
A primary concern for Drinking Water Treatment Plants (DWTPs), is humic and fulvic acids, due to their reactivity with halogenated disinfectants and tendency to form toxic DBPs, including THMs and haloacetic acids (HAAs).

Together, humic and fulvic acids comprise the majority of the DOC of natural organic matter in most surface water sources.

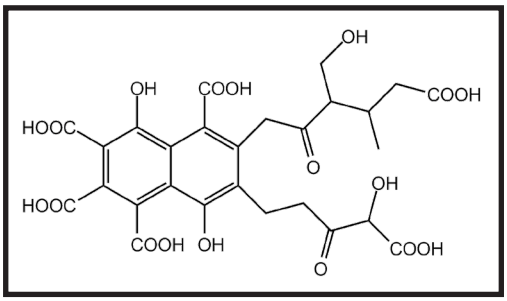
Humic acids are high molecular weight, aromatic compounds with multiple phenolic and carboxylic moieties linked together. They have a significant negative surface charge which gives them high affinity to positively charged coagulant compounds.

Fulvic acids, which are soluble in water at any pH, are relatively lower in molecular weight than humic acids, and have lower relative affinity to coagulants.

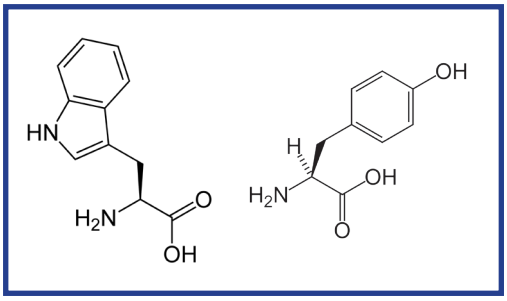
Protein-like compounds are another significant component of natural organic matter present in most surface water sources. They are also known to be associated with the presence of municipal wastewater and microbially available substrates. Compared to humic and fulvic acids, the protein-like compounds have a lower affinity to coagulants.



Humic Acids
- High MW
- Hydrophobic
- Highly Aromatic
- Absorbed by Coagulants
- Main SUVA (Specific UV Absorbance) Component)



Fulvic Acids
- Lower MW
- Hydro/Transphilic
- Less Aromatic



Tryptophan and Tyrosine
- Protein-like
- Associated with Wastewater Effluent
- Biopolymers

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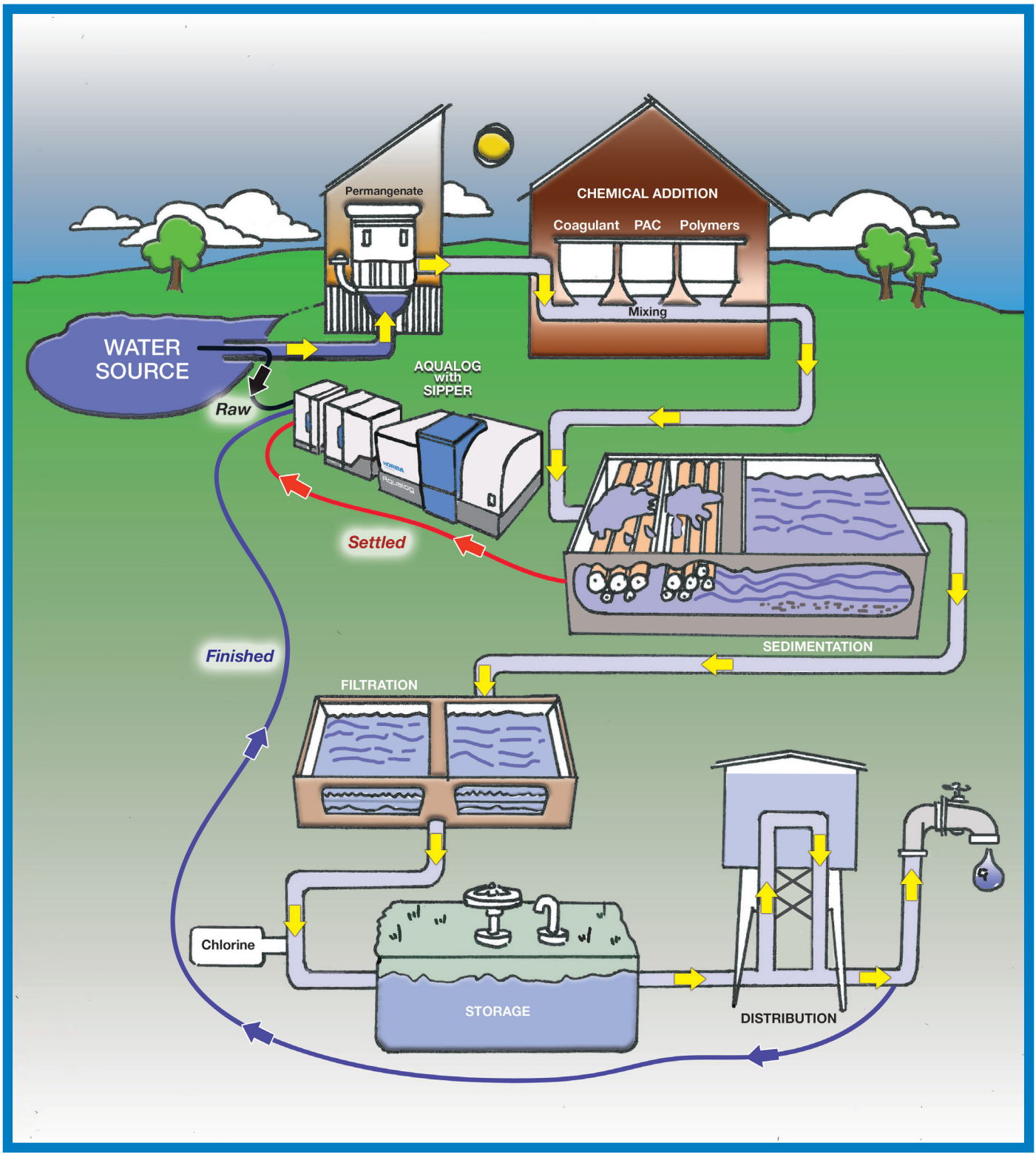
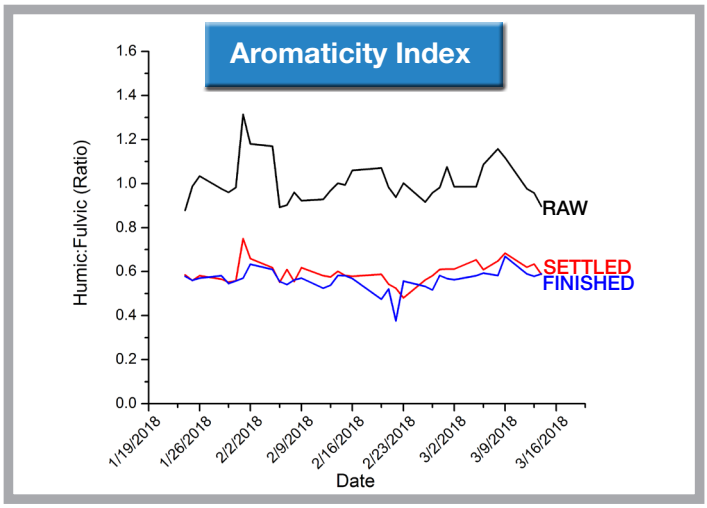
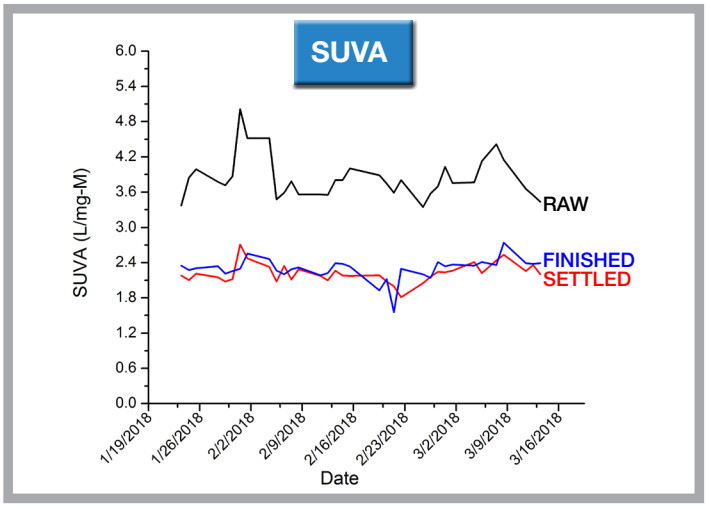
Aqualog®-Next in Use at a Drinking Water Treatment Plant



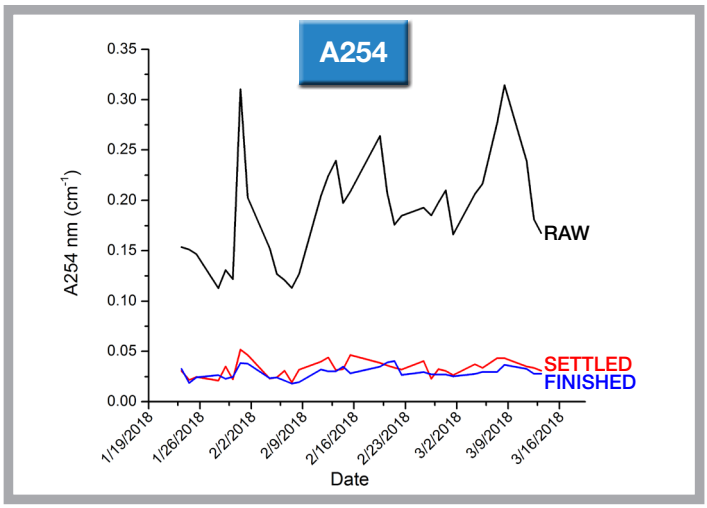
This illustration shows the Aqualog®-Next in use at a DWTP. It is found in the analytical lab where water is collected from various points along the water treatment process. Typically, Aqualog®-Next collects and measures water from three points in a WTP: The untreated water (Raw); after the sedimentation tank (Settled); and in the final treated effluent (Finished).



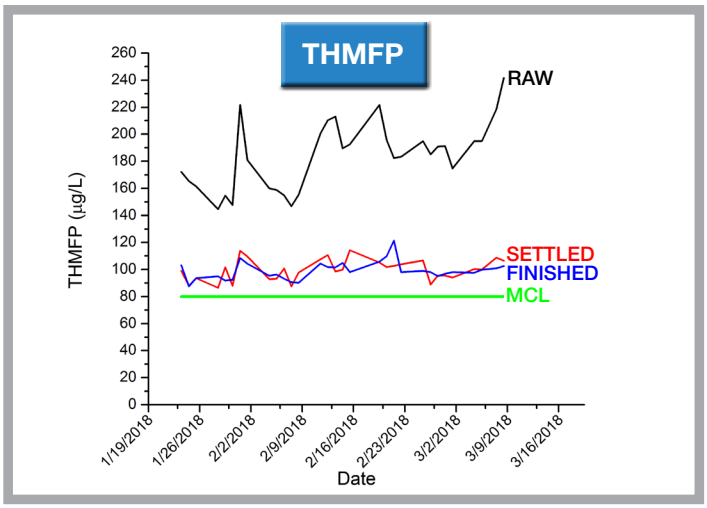
Humic/Fulvic ratio decreases due to humic acid coagulation in transitioning from Raw to Settled/Finished state.



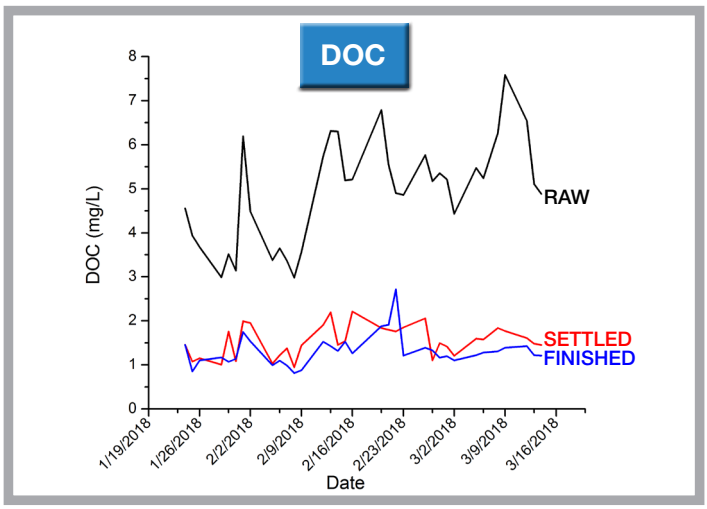
SUVA, an indicator of aromatic organic concentration, decreases upon coagulation treatment. This is primarily due to the relative decrease in humic acid content and consequent reduction in aromaticity.



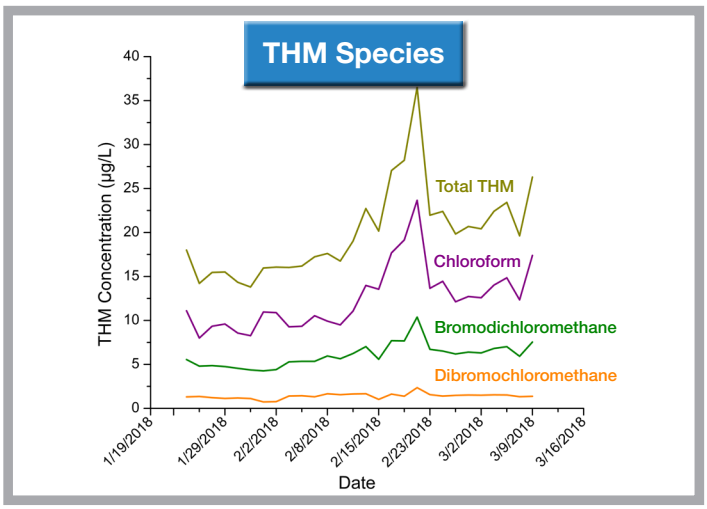
A254 is an indicator of aromatic organic (humic compounds) concentration as it decreases from Raw to Settled/Finished state.



Trihalomethane Formation Potential (THMFP) decreases from a Raw to Settled/Finished state due to removal of the disinfection by-product precursors. The MCL indicates the EPA regulated maximum contamination limit of 80 µg/L allowed for THMs.



DOC decreasing from Raw to Settled/Finished state.



Aqualog model prediction of THM species in finished water. A good correlation (R^2 = 0.972) was observed with the independently measured data.

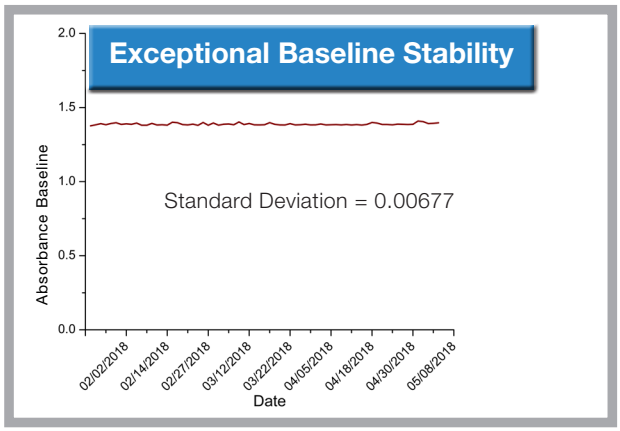
Aqualog®-Next offers unique capabilities for monitoring Natural Organic Matter (NOM). Many DOC components are DBP precursors. Halogenated disinfectants, such as chlorine, can react with the DBP precursors to form unwanted DBPs, which include toxic substances, such as THMs and HAAs. Because these substances are potentially carcinogenic and are regulated by the US EPA, their formation should be controlled by properly managing and optimizing the water treatment process.

Automation Accessories

Aqualog can be used with grab samples for manual measurements in an optical cell, as shown in the picture above, however, it is best configured with Sipper accessories described below.

AQ-Sipper:
HORIBA Sipper for automated sample extraction and sample measurement with Aqualog®-Next EzSpec software. Includes sipper accessory and sample tray with thermostated cuvette holder and leak sensor. Extracts from a single sipper tube. External water bath not included.

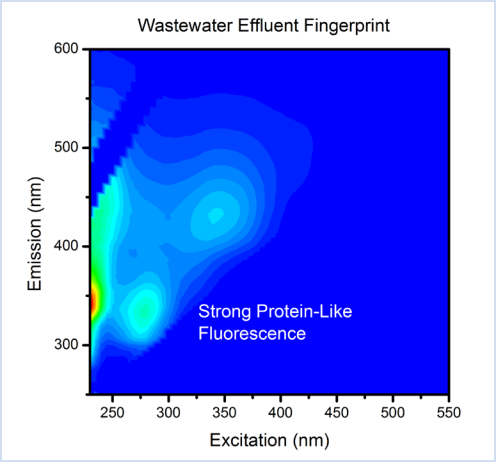
AQ-Sipper-4S:
Optional four-position sampler for AQ-Sipper. Allows the AQ-Sipper to automatically extract from up to four different sipper tubes (raw, settled, and finished). Multiple units may be used in parallel.

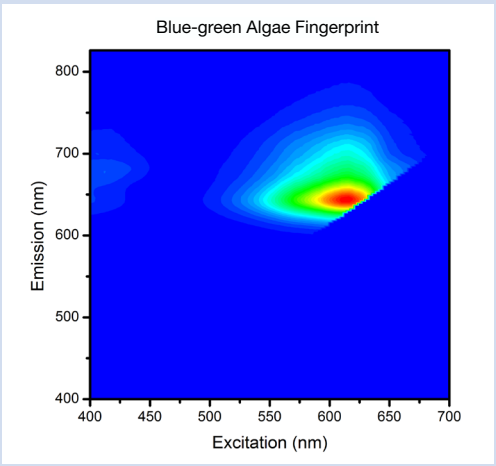


A stable baseline absorbance for over 90 days of operation shows excellent sipper performance in a real plant condition. The flow cell prevents air bubbles and biofouling in the sample cell. Only quarterly cleaning is required for the flow cell, thanks to the automatic cleaning protocol.

Fingerprints of Wastewater, Algae and Aromatic Hydrocarbons

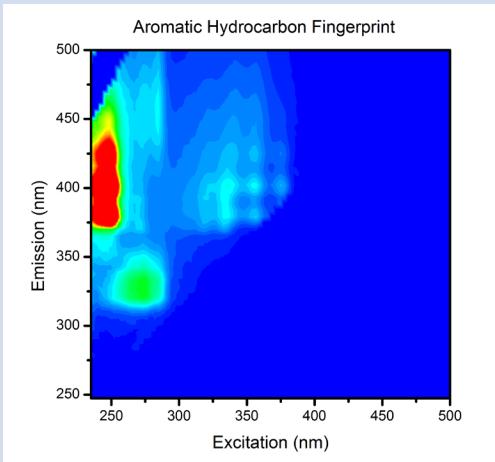
The Aqualog®-Next readily identifies and quantifies wastewater effluent, which exhibits a distinct A-TEEM™ fingerprint.*





Green, blue-green and brown algae cells and pigments, associated with toxins, taste and odor issues, can be easily measured with the Aqualog®-Next because they each have characteristic A-TEEM fingerprints.

The Aqualog®-Next exhibits high-sensitivity to aromatic hydrocarbons, and oils. These can also be identified and quantified through their distinct A-TEEM fingerprints.



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Absorbance-Transmission and Fluorescence Excitation Emission Matrix

Software

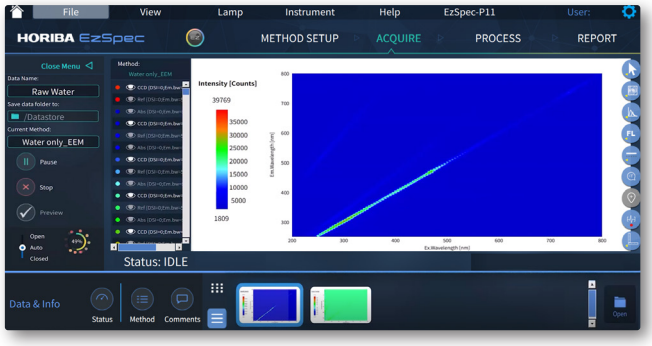
EzSpec™ offers App icons to easily select and use dedicated data acquisition and analysis routines. The navigation of EzSpec includes Method Setup, Acquire, Process and Reporting to enable easy user interaction. EzSpec v2 now runs on a database, enabling easy filtering and searching of all files.

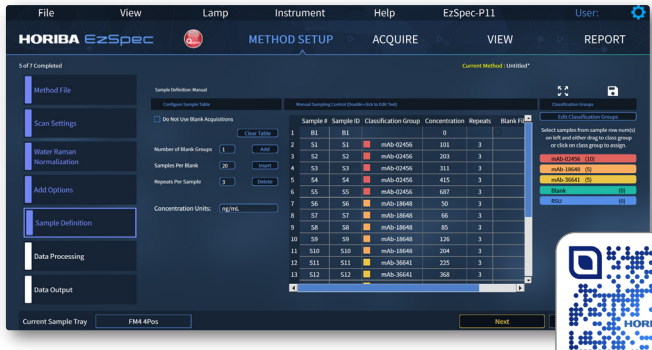
- Intuitive Navigation – Method Setup, Acquire, Process, and Reporting for seamless user interaction.
- Database Integration – Easily filter and search all files with EzSpec v2.
- Batch Processing – SampleQ for automated acquisition, processing, and ASCII file export.
- Advanced Data Tools – Inner-filter effect correction, Rayleigh masking, RSU normalization, and more.
- 3D-to-2D Profiling – Extracts X-Z axes for precise emission/excitation spectra analysis.
- Pass/Fail Application – Quick assessment of emission, excitation, absorbance, and %T spectra.
- Comprehensive Export Options – ASCII file export and PDF report generation for easy sharing.

A-TEEM Direktor MVA Suite offers step-by-step guided workflow for fluorescence A-TEEM data analysis.

- Predictive Modeling – Supports PARAFAC, PCA, and PLS models for classification and regression.
- User-friendly Interface – Drag-and-drop functionality and graphical tools for enhanced usability.

Eigenvector Inc. Solo for PARAFAC and other multivariate methods are also available, along with the exclusive HORIBA Multimodel Predictor (HMMP) toolbox itself, available as an add-in for Eigenvector Inc. Solo and PLS toolbox for applications in wine, food and water analysis.





Check out our 2-minute video showcasing EzSpec™ in action

Aqualog®-Next Method vs. Conventional Methods

Parameters for Monitoring DBPs	Patented Aqualog A-TEEM Method	Conventional Methods
Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC)	Provides DOC composition information not available from TOC	TOC Analyzer Single parameter, no information on organic composition or contaminations
UVA@ 254nm (UV254)	Aqualog measures both DOC and UV254, thus also providing SUVA DOC (Patented method)	UV-Vis Spectrometer UV254 only
Disinfection By-products (DBPs)	No sample prep, less expensive, real-time analysis	GC/GC-MS Lots of sample prep, much more expensive, not suitable for real-time
Natural Organic Matter (NOM) Precursors to DBPs	Aqualog measures DOC, DBPs, and organic foulants Less expensive, fast, and real-time analysis	LC-OCD For research and chemical optimization, more expensive, slow (~2 hrs/sample) and not suitable for real-time

Aqualog®-Next Specifications

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Reported Parameters (up to 60 user selectable parameters)	Specifications	Notes
Dissolved Organic Carbon Concentration (DOC)	30 µg/l to 20 mg/l	Requires filtration (0.45 µm)
*A*254	1cm path length	
SUVA	L DOC mg^{-1} *A*254 m^{-1}	
Simulated Distribution System, Trihalomethane Formation Potential (SDS THMFP)	10 to 500 µg/l	US EPA MCL = 80 µg/l
Parallel Factor Analysis Component Scores	Up to 7	Can include algal, oil/PAH, tracer dyes, and other components
Residuals (Q)	N/A	Detect contaminants and measurement issues
Absorbance Spectrum	200 - 1000 nm; 1 cm path length	Any wavelength coordinate or ratio can be analyzed
Excitation Emission Matrix (EEM) Regions	I-V plus Algal (Blue-green/Brown/Green)	Custom EEM regions also available; Based on interpolated EEM processing
Total Fluorescence	Sum of EEM Regions I-V	
Independent Treatment Plant Data (Additional Parameters Available)		
DOC	mg/l	
Alkalinity	mg/l	
Chlorine Residual	mg/l	
THM/SDSTHMFP	µg/l	
*A*254	Adjustable Path Length Specifications	
Weight	32.72kg (72 lbs)	Aqualog®-Next
	9kg (19.8 lbs)	Sipper WS-10
	4.2kg (9.26 lbs)	4 Sample Changer WS-10-S
Dimensions	LWH (618 x 435 x 336mm); (24 x 17 x 13")	Aqualog®-Next
	LWH (250 x 250 x 308mm); (9.84 x 9.84 x 12.13")	Sipper WS-10
	LWH (250 x 125 x 308mm); (9.84 x 4.92 x 12.13")	4 Sample Changer WS-10-S

Beyond Water Treatment Plants

Aqualog®-Next was designed for quantitative and predictive water analysis, and it is ideal for the task. HORIBA's Veloci analyzer with the same unique A-TEEM molecular unique fingerprinting, has proven itself to be an invaluable tool in a wide variety of other industrial QC/QA, as well as environmental and academic research applications.

Please contact the Fluorescence Division of HORIBA to learn more about the ever growing list of exciting applications where A-TEEM technology provides unique benefits.

Acronyms

A-TEEM	Absorbance -Transmission and Fluorescence Excitation and Emission Matrix
DBPs	Disinfection By-product(s)
DOC	Dissolved Organic Carbon
DWTP	Drinking Water Treatment Plant
EEM	Excitation and Emission Matrix
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
HAA	Haloacetic Acids
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level
MW	Molecular Weight
NOM	Natural Organic Matter
PAC	Powdered Activated Carbon
SDS	Simulated Distribution System
SOP(s)	Standard Operating Procedure(s)
SUVA	Specific Ultraviolet Absorbance
THM	Trihalomethanes
THMFP	Trihalomethanes Formation Potential
TOC	Total Organic Carbon

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