UV-Enhanced
Silicon Avalanche Photodiode
SUR-Series

Description

The SUR-Series is based on a silicon “reachthrough” structure with high sensitivity in the DUV/UV wavelength range. Many applications particularly in the medical and bio-medical fields require highly sensitive detectors in the short wavelength range for fluorescent measurements, analytical equipment or scintillation. The benefit of the SUR-Series is an extremely high sensitivity and low noise performance operating in the blue wavelength range and superior to any similar detector available presently on the market.

An important additional advantage of the new reach-through APD is its unmatched noise and sensitivity performance over the widest commercially available wavelength range, from 260 nm to 1000 nm. The diameter of the active area is 0.5 mm. The SUR-Series will be delivered in a special, hermetical sealed TO-46 package optimized for the UV wavelength range.

Features

▪ Very High Quantum Efficiency at DUV / UV
▪ Low Noise
▪ 500 µm Diameter Active Area
▪ UV Optimized Hermetical Package

Applications

▪ Fluorescent Measurements
▪ Analytical Equipment
▪ Medical
▪ Scintillation
▪ High speed photometry
## Absolute Maximum Ratings

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* Extended operating temperature range possible for special design considerations
### Electrical Characteristics

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Fig. 1: Responsivity vs. Noise Relationship

Fig. 2: Responsivity vs. Bias for 405 nm and 905 nm

Fig. 3: Typical Capacitance vs. Bias Voltage

Fig. 4: Spectral vs. Gain

Fig. 5: Current vs. Bias Voltage Wavelength = 260 nm

Fig. 6: NEP vs. Bias Voltage (Iph = 0)

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## Product Number Designations

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### Diameter
- **500** = 500 µm

### Package Style
- **S8** = TO-46 (2 pin) with TEC
- **T6** = TO-37 (3 with TEC)
- **T8** = TO-8 (with 2 stage TEC)
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Package Drawings

Package S8 TO-46 (2 pin)

Package T6 TO-37 (with TEC)
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Package Drawings

Package T8 TO-8 (with TEC)
Cooled Versions

The one stage or two stage thermoelectrically cooled APD can be used for different reasons:

- To reduce the thermal noise for very weak signal detection. The one stage TEC (SUR500T6) has been design to operate the APD down to 0°C whereas the two stage TEC (SUR500T8) version can be operated at –18°C when the ambient temperature is 22°C.
- To maintain a constant APD temperature irrespective of the ambient temperature. Because APD breakdown voltage decreases with temperature, the TE cooler allows a single operating voltage. Also, this configuration allows constant APD performance over an extended ambient temperature range.

The integrated thermistor can be used to monitor the APD temperature and can be used to implement a TE cooler feedback loop to keep the APD at a constant temperature or/and to implement a temperature compensation on the APD bias voltage. A proper heat-sink is required to dissipate the heat generated by the APD and the TE cooler.

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