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Reduction and oxidation are two central chemical terms that describe the ability of chemical agents to accept (reduction) or donate electrons (oxidation). In aqueous solutions, the Oxidation-Reduction Potential (ORP) voltage can be measured using a standard hydrogen electrode as reference. The reducing or oxidizing properties of a solution first are a matter of the reactants. By using an ORP electrode this change in potentials would be recorded as a positive or negative voltage.

ORP measurements monitor chemical reactions such as checking the denitrification of wastewater and disinfectant effect of detergents or the strength of plating baths.

Measurement of ORP voltage is carried out using ORP combination electrodes. Similar to pH electrodes, these consist of a measuring electrode and a reference electrode. A metal electrode (normally a precious metal like gold, silver or platinum) is used in ORP combination electrodes in place of a glass membrane for carrying out the measuring function. The tendency for the chemical agents to accept or donate electrons determines the potential of the metal and thus the electrical potential of the combination electrode. ORP combination electrodes in use today contain a silver/silver chloride reference electrode, the indicated potential refers to this potential. Conversion to the standard hydrogen electrode system (UH) and that of the silver/silver chloride reference electrode is easily possible.

$$U_{H} = U_{Meas} + U_{Ref}$$

SenTix® ORP reference electrode potential against the standard hydrogen electrode			
Temperature in °C (°F)	Potential in mV		
0 (32)	+ 224		
5 (41)	+ 221		
10 (50)	+ 217		
15 (59)	+ 214		
20 (68)	+ 210		
25 (77)	+ 207		
30 (86)	+ 203		
35 (95)	+ 200		
40 (104)	+ 196		
45 (113)	+ 192		
50 (122)	+ 188		
55 (131)	+ 184		
60 (140)	+ 180		
65 (149)	+ 176		
70 (158)	+ 172		



## ORP measurements can be perforned using any WTW pH/mV meters.



You can find an overview showing the different meters as a selection guide on pages 6/7.



SenTix® ORP Electrodes						
Model	SenTix® ORP 103 648	SenTix <sup>®</sup> Ag* 103 664	SenTix <sup>®</sup> Au 103 665	SenTix <sup>®</sup> PtR 103 666		
Working range °C (°F)	0 100 °C (32 212 °F)	-5 100 °C (23 212 °F)	-5 100 °C (23 212 °F)	-5 100 °C (23 212 °F)		
Reference electrolyte	KCl 3 mol/l	ELY/ORP/Ag	KCl 3 mol/l	Gel		
Sensor	Platinum	Silver	Gold	Platinum		
Sensor shape	Round 4 mm (0.16 in.)	Clindrical cap	Clindrical cap	Round 6 mm (0.24 in.)		
Diaphragm	Ceramic	Ceramic	Ceramic	Split ring		
Shaft material	Glass	Glass	Glass	Glass		
Shaft length (±2 mm/±0.08 in.)	120 mm (4.72 in.)	120 mm (4.72 in.)	120 mm (4.72 in.)	120 mm (4.72 in.)		
<b>Shaft Ø</b> (±0.5 mm/±0.02 in.)	12 mm (0.47 in.)	12 mm (0.47 in.)	12 mm (0.47 in.)	12 mm (0.47 in.)		
Temperature probe	_	-	_	-		
Connection	AS DIN/AS DIN-3, AS BNC					

## Ordering Informations for Accessories Testing and maintenance supplies for ORP measurements

Testing and maintenar	nce supplies for ORP measurements	Order No.
SORT/RH	Reagents for regenerating ORP electrodes consisting of activation powder (10 g) and clorina powder (30 g)	109 730
RH 28	ORP buffer solution 1 bottle of 250 ml: pH 7, $U_H = 427$ mV	109 740
ELY/ORP/AG	Electrolyte with 2 mol/l KNO <sub>3</sub> +0.001 mol/l KCl for combined ORP electrode with silver electrode	109 735

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