# HIGH TECH DATA LOGGING SOLUTIONS FOR FOOD PROCESSING















#### **Our core business**

- Design and manufacture of high tech embedded data logging solutions for data measurement, validation and quality control of processes in harsh and extreme conditions and environment.
- High and low temperature acquisition electronics operating without thermal shield
- Wide range of miniature and embedded loggers/ real time transmitters



#### The company

- Founded in 1994
- Pioneer in data logger business
- Headquarter in Castelnau Le Lez (France)
- 3 Subsidiaries
  - USA, Morocco, China
- 32 distributors worldwide
- ISO 9001: 2018 certification

#### **Measured parameters**

| Parameters            | Measuring range         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Temperature           | From -90°C to +1600°C   |
| Pressure              | From 30mbar to 30 Bar   |
| Humidity              | From 2% to 98% HR       |
| Shrinkage             | From 0 to 20mm          |
| Air velocity          | From 0 to 40m/s         |
| Deformation           | From 0 to 20mm          |
| Rotating (nb of laps) | From 0 to 150 laps/ min |

And more upon request...

→ Including data logger acquisition electronics exposed to the temperature range -90°C to +140°C without thermal shield

## **Communication and operating modes**

#### Communication

| Communication               | Protocol             |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Wired                       | Proprietary protocol |
| Radio with wired start      | 2,4GHz               |
| FullRadio (without contact) | 2,4GHz               |

### Operating

| Operating                      |
|--------------------------------|
| Recording                      |
| Recording + radio transmission |
| Transmission                   |

#### **Applications**

#### **Many Industries addressed**

- Food & Pharmaceutical
- Biotechnology
- Hospital
- Aerospace
- Brick, Tile, Ceramics
- High Heat 1300°C for Metallurgy
- Automotive

#### Measurements

- Temperature
- Pressure
- Humidity
- Distance deformation
- Air Speed
- Rotation
- Force
- Weight

#### **Applications**

- Sterilization
- Pasteurization
- Cooking
- Freezing
- Freeze drying
- Cold chamber storage
- Drying
- Smoked house
- Transportation



- Thermal cycle validation (F0, PU, CV)
- Thermal distribution test
- Heat penetration test
- Process closed loop control
- Packaging deformation test
- Rotation monitoring
- Microwave cooking
- Oven baking

#### **PicoVACQ**

D.15mm x L.22mm



Rotation



#### **NanoVACQ**

D.31mm x L.39mm



Temperature

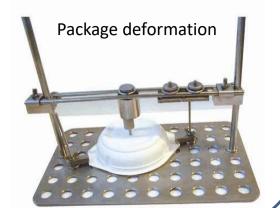


Humidity



Pressure





### **Thermocouples**

#### **VACQ XFlat**



VACQ





## PicoVACQ and NanoVACQ loggers (temperature, pressure, humidity)

#### PicoVACQ

D.15mm or 16mm Length from 22mm Up to 2 Channels



#### NanoVACQ

D.31mm Length from 39mm Up to 3 Channels





#### PicoVACQ & NanoVACQ

- Watertight under pressure (except humidity and Tdi loggers)
- Biocompatible
- 0 to 140°C, +/-0.1°C accuracy
- RTD based (not thermocouple) Calibration: once a year
- -80 to 350°C = Cold storage, Lyophilization, Autoclaves, Depyrogenation
- 30mbar to 5 Bar = Steam autoclaves
- 2 to 98% RH = Stability chamber, EtO sterilization, Incubators...

#### **NanoVACQ**

- Larger Battery for extended lifetime
- Available with 2.4 GHz FM and FullRadio for Real Time Data
- Recommended for Routine use
- Operating down to -90°C for low temperature freezers

## PicoVACQ and NanoVACQ loggers (temperature)

#### PicoVACQ & NanoVACQ

- Available with different Pt100 rigid, flexible and semi rigid probes (SS316L, Viton, Teflon)
- Interchangeable probe on Tdi versions, non watertight
- Watertight under pressure (except Tdi versions)
- Biocompatible
- -80°C to 350°C depending on the versions
- Calibration: Once a Year











## **PicoVACQ & NanoVACQ Temperature Loggers**



1Tc = One Temperature Channel up to 220mm 1Td = One Long Probe up to 1000mm





## **PicoVACQ** temperature probes

#### **PicoVACQ**

D.15mm x L.22mm Up to 2 Channels













- 1,9mm probe, fits in Ellab packing glands. Needs a packing gland to operate (fragile), but quick response time
- Hybrid probe, for quicker response time vs 3mm diameter
- 3mm probe, standard logger, 10,15,20 or 30mm long, up to 220mm
- Flexible PFA probe, watertight inside autoclave, PicoVACQ 1Td, up to 1m
- Remote and interchangeable temperature Pt100 sensor, PicoVACQ 1Tdi, not watertight to steam
- Semi rigid SS316L probe, D.2mm, length up to 1m
- Threaded base to adapt on positioning kits on rigid sensors

## **PicoVACQ battery packs**

#### **PicoVACQ**

D.15mm x L.22mm Up to 2 Channels









| Temperature | -70°C ~ +85°C  | 015 PW    | D.15 mm - L.37.5 mm  |
|-------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
|             | -70°C ~ +140°C | 016 PTA   | D. 16 mm - L.60.3 mm |
|             | -40°C ~ +140°C | 016T(*)   | D.16 mm - L.35 mm    |
|             | -40°C ~ +100°C | 015 M     | D.15 mm - L.29.5 mm  |
|             | 0°C ~ +140°C   | 015 P(**) | D.15 mm - L.13 mm    |

- Operating range from -80°C to 140°C
- User replaceable
- Threaded base to mount on positioning kits
- Length from 13mm to 63mm
- No wrench required

## **NanoVACQ** temperature probes







NanoVACQ D.31mm x L. 39mm Up to 3 Channels



- Operating range from -90°C to 140°C, all watertight
- Rigid (D.3mm) or hybrid probe
- Flexible probe, combined with rigid probe, heat penetration and environment
- Threaded base to mount on positioning kits
- Up to 1m long

#### NanoVACQ

D.31mm x L. 39mm Up to 3 Channels



## **NanoVACQ battery packs**



**NanoVACO** 

| 39 mm   |
|---------|
|         |
| 31 mm   |
| 129 mm  |
| 52.2 mm |
| 125 mm  |
| 39 mm   |
| 31 mm   |
| 129 mm  |
| 52.2 mm |
|         |

- Operating range from -90°C to 140°C
- User replaceable
- Threaded base to mount on positioning kits
- Length from 31mm to 129mm
- Special opening wrench supplied

## MiniVACQ, NanoVACQ Flat loggers

#### **MiniVACQ** D 15mm x L 40mm



- -40°C to 100°C, +/-0,5°C accuracy
- Watertight under pressure
- 316SS Food compatible
- RTD based (not thermocouple)
- Calibration, once a year
- Freezers, pasteurization...







- 0°C to 140°C, +/-0,1°C accuracy
- Watertight under pressure
- 316SS Food compatible
- Available with threaded base
- RTD based (not thermocouple)
- Calibration, once a year
- Autoclave,...

## **PicoVACQ Rotation**

#### **PicoVACQ Rotation**

D.15mm x I.22mm



- 0°C to 140°C
- Up to 150 rpm
- Résolution : ½ tour
- Watertight under pressure
- 316SS Food compatible
- Continuous sterilizer







Measures rotation inside many rotating processes up to 150 rpm, clockwise and counterclockwise.

## PicoVACQ and NanoVACQ loggers (temperature, pressure)

#### PicoVACQ & NanoVACQ

- Operating from -30°C to 140°C, and from 30mbar to 15 Bar (30 Bar upon request)
- Watertight under pressure up to 30 Bar
- Biocompatible
- Calibration: Once a Year
- Autoclave, pasteurizers, filling processes...

PicoVACQ PT D.16 or 17mm x L.35mm 2 Channels



Operating from -30 to140°C, Uncertainty +/-0,1°C Operating from 30mbar to 15bar, Uncertainty +/- 30mbar Operating from 30mbar to 30bar, Uncertainty +/- 100mbar

**Up to 4Hz Sampling Rate** 

NanoVACQ PT-TC

D.31mm x L.39mm 3 Channels



Operating from -30 to140°C, Uncertainty +/-0,1°C Operating from 30mbar to 5bar, Uncertainty +/- 10mbar Operating from 30mbar to 15bar, Uncertainty +/- 12mbar

**Up to 10Hz Sampling Rate** 

#### Configurations

- PT
- PT-TC
- PT-Td
- Radio and FullRadio

## **PicoVACQ PT 64Hz**

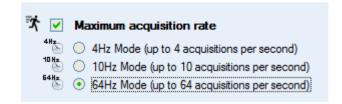
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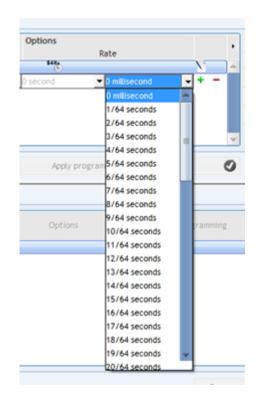
D.16mm x L.57mm 2 Channels





Needs Qlever software to operate





## **NanoVACQ Deformation - Distorsion**

#### NanoVACQ Deformation

D.31mm x L.62mm



- From 0°C to 140°C,
- From 10mm to +10mm, uncertainty +/-0,1mm
- Radio transmission available
- Watertight
- Calibration, once a year
- Rotative and static autoclaves

#### NanoVACQ Deformation



Measures the dimensional variations of packages during thermal processes.

NanoVACQ Deformation enables the control of distorsion of boxes, trays, pouches, cans or other types of packages during thermal processes as cooking or sterilization.

Positioning kits are available for both static and rotative autoclaves.











## PicoVACQ and NanoVACQ loggers (temperature, humidity)

#### PicoVACQ & NanoVACQ

- Operating from 0°C to 80°C or 140°C, and from 2 to 98% RH
- Non watertight under pressure
- Biocompatible
- Calibration: Once a Year

PicoVACQ HT



Operating from 0°C to 80°C, Uncertainty +/-0,1°C Operating from -30°C to 0°C, Uncertainty +/-0,2°C

Operating from 2 to 98% RH, Uncertainty +/- 3,5% RH (2% RH as an option)

NanoVACQ HT



Operating from 0°C to 140°C, Uncertainty +/-0,1°C Can operate down to -60°C if required

#### Configurations:

- HT
- HT-TC
- HT-Td

Operating from 2 to 98% RH, Uncertainty +/- 3,5% RH (2% RH as an option)

# ATEX compliance: PicoVACQ and NanoVACQ loggers (temperature, pressure, humidity)

#### PicoVACQ EX versions, ATEX marking II 1 G Ex ia IIC T6 Ga

- Available in temperature, temperature/pressure and temperature/humidity versions
- Operating from -30°C to 70°C, from 30mbar to 15 Bar and from 2% to 98% RH
- → Thus, PicoVACQ 1Tc Ex and PicoVACQ PT Ex used with 015P battery pack, can be used in non explosive environment up to 140°C

#### NanoVACQ EX versions, ATEX marking II 1 G Ex ia IIC T3 Ga

- Available in temperature, temperature/pressure and temperature/humidity versions
- Operating from -30°C to 140°C, from 30mbar to 15 Bar and from 2% to 98% RH

NanoVACQ EX



Available versions:

1Tc 1Td PT PT-TC

HT

PicoVACQ EX



Available versions:

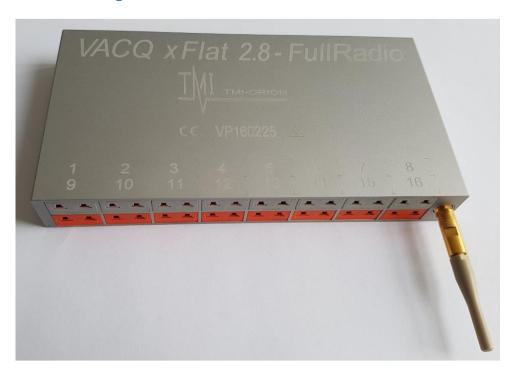
1Tc

PT

HT

## **VACQ Xflat, thermocouples**

- Operating range without protection, from -55°C to 140°C,
- Available with 4, 8 and 16 thermocouples
- Type T, K, B, S, N or R thermocouples
- Height 20mm
- Not watertight
- Calibration, once a year
- Ovens mapping or baking processes...



## VACQ XFlat loggers (temperature)- Thermal shield

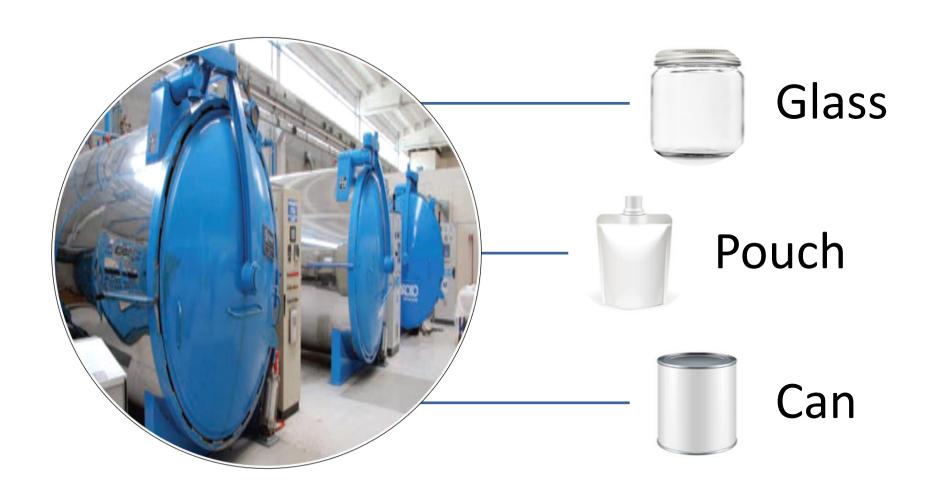
#### Thermal shield S045160204

Dimensions: 45mm high 160mm wide 204mm long

- Up to 400°C with special shields designed for baking processes
- For 4 thermocouple VACQ Xflat for instance, thermal shield S045160204



| Materials      | Performances  |
|----------------|---------------|
| PEEK,          | 60 mn @ 250°C |
| Microtherm, SS | 30 mn @ 350°C |







## Stick the logger

- Needed:
- A piece of high temperature double side tape
- Plate
- Threaded rod, used to adjust the height
- Logger like PicoVACQ or NanoVACQ Flat



Cans

Glass jars

Glass and plastic bottles

Plastic containers

→ No hole to the container

## Stick the logger



#### Needed:

- A piece of high temperature double side tape
- Logger like PicoVACQ (light logger)



→ No hole to the container





# Pierce a hole in the container

- Cans
- Glass and plastic bottles
- Glass jars
- Plastic containers

#### Needed:

- An external plate with a thread (D.3mm), round or square
- An o'ring
- The internal plate
- A Threaded rod
- A PicoVACQ logger



→ Diameter of the two plates can be adjusted to fit any container





# Pierce a hole in the container

#### Needed:

- A sheath, length to figure out
- An o'ring
- A milled nut
- A 15mm diameter spacer
- A logger with M5 threaded base

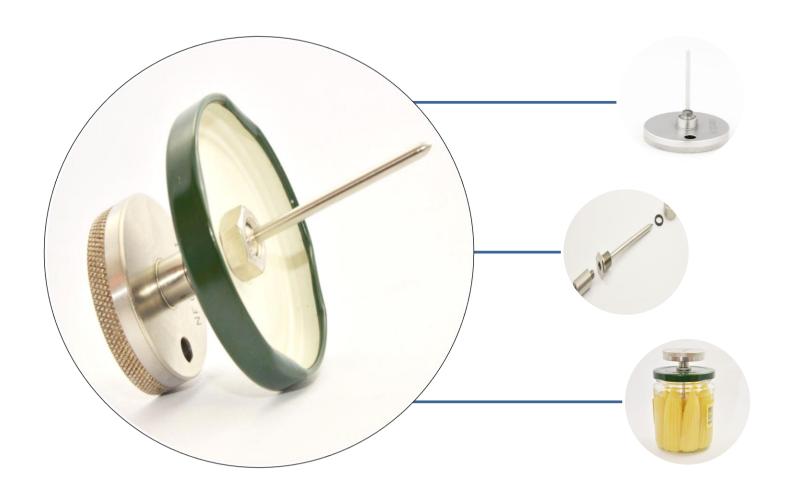


- Glass and plastic bottles
- Glass jars
- Plastic containers

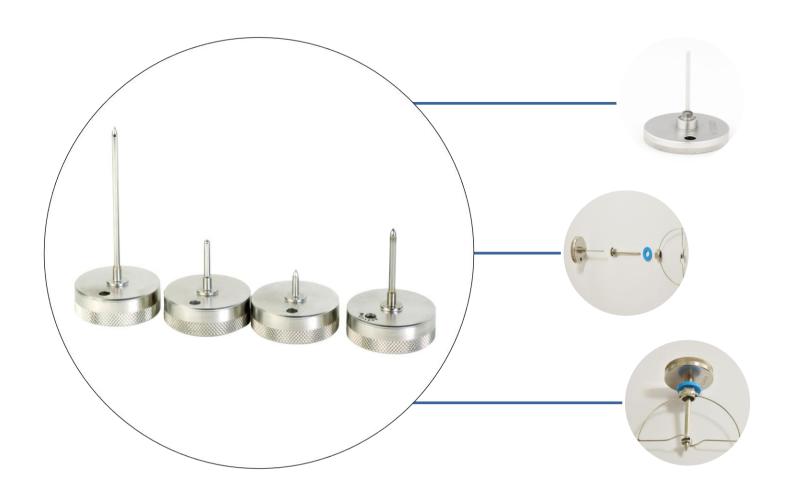




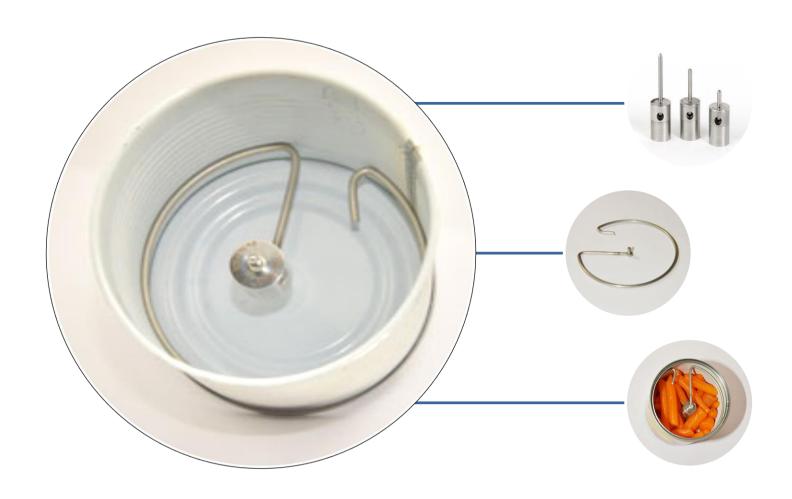
→ Logger is kept outside of the container



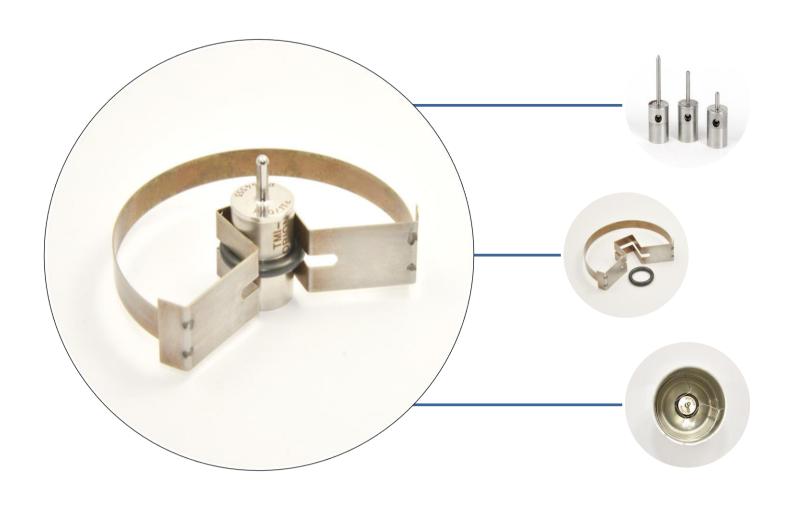




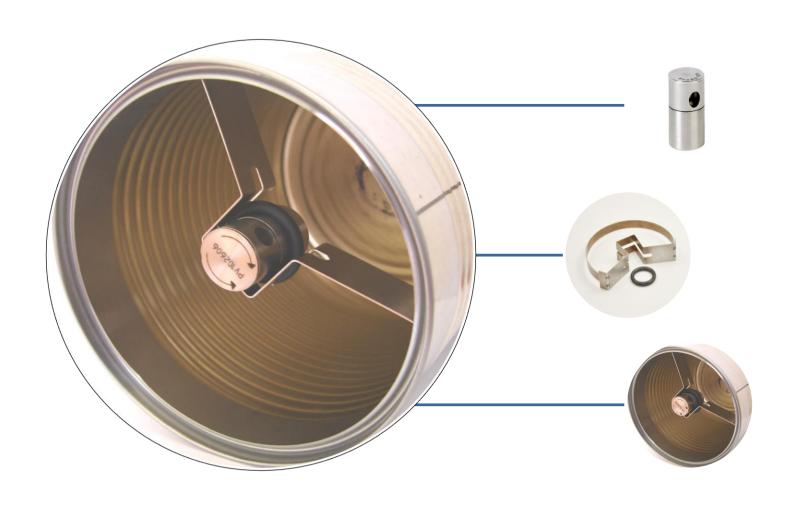




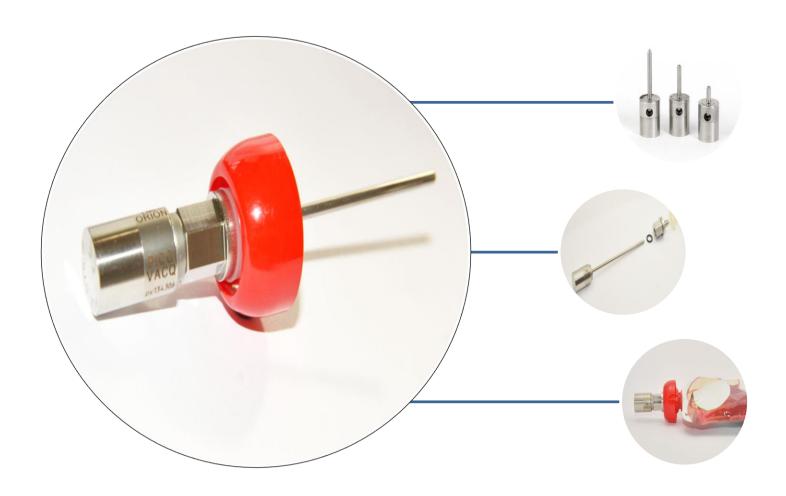




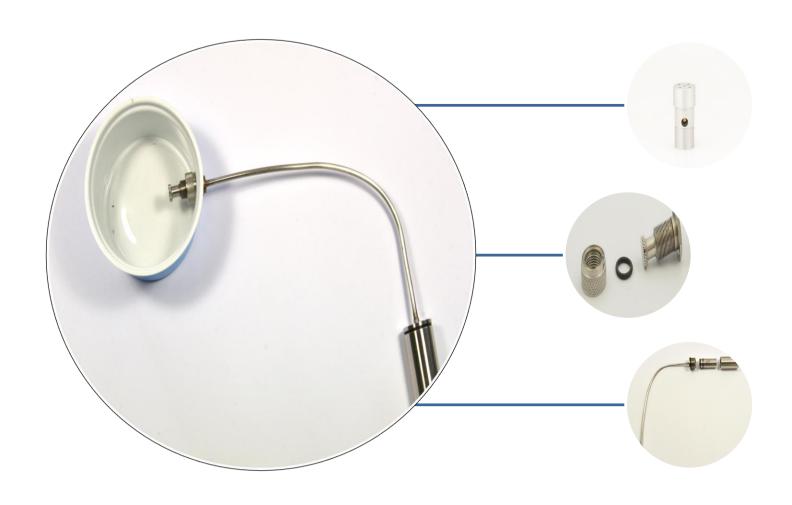




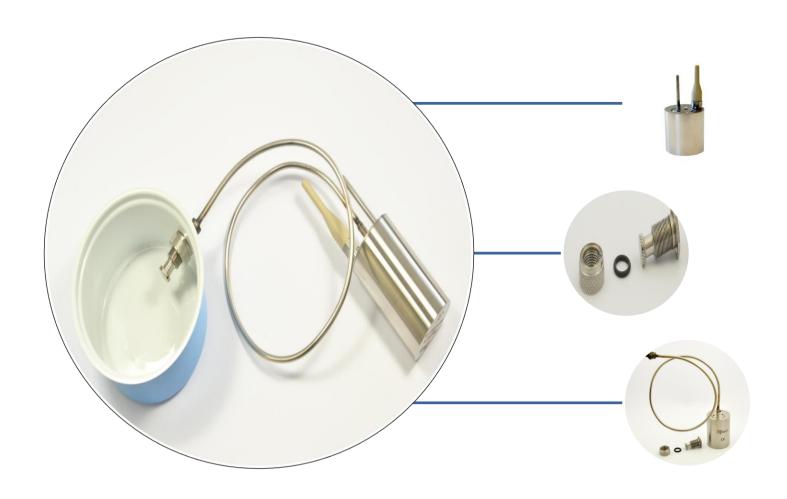




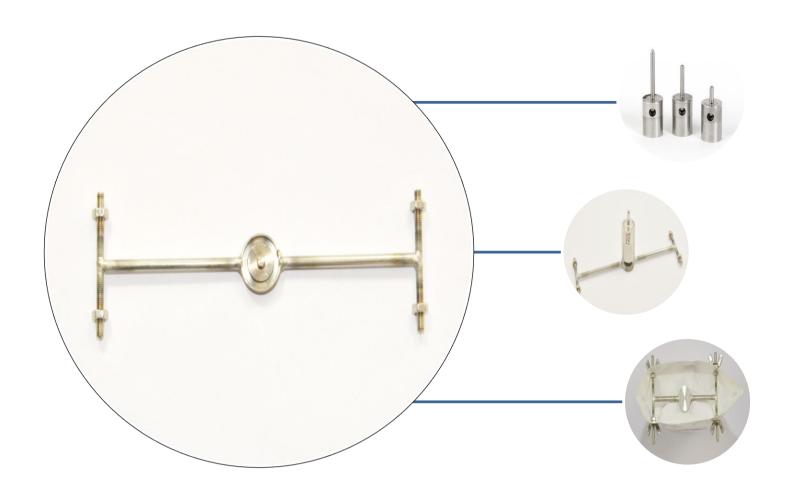








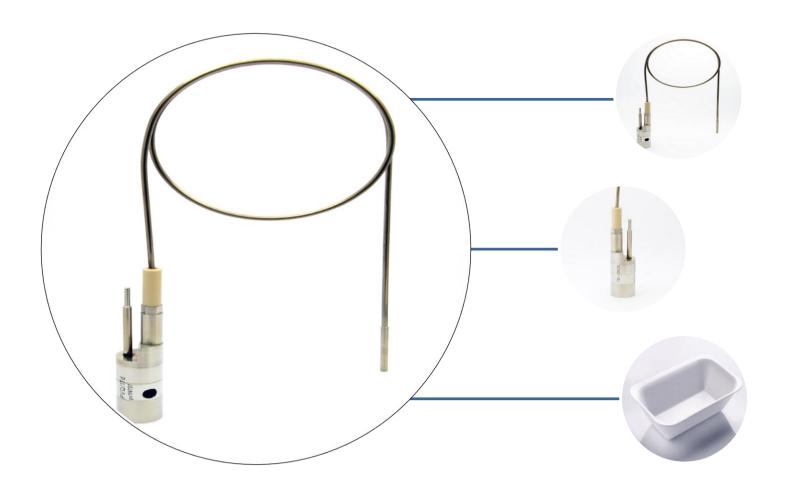




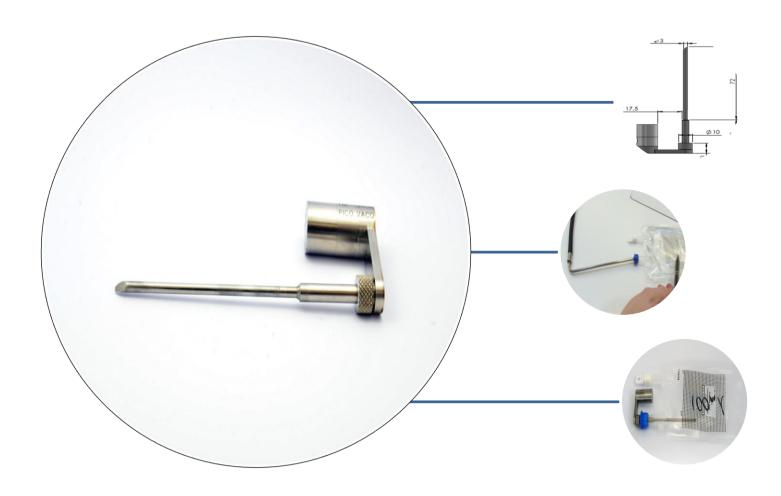












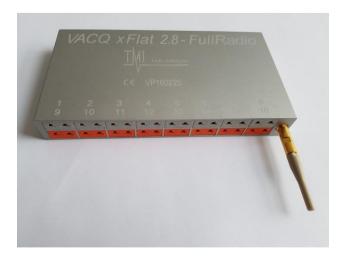


# Wireless data logging systems: recording and REAL TIME READING

NanoVACQ Radio or FullRadio



VACQ Xflat Radio or FullRadio



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#### Radio & FullRadio

- Simultaneous recording and real time reading
- Radio receiver/transmitter required
- Similar operating ranges to standard loggers
- Longer metallic cover on NanoVACQ's compared to standard ones
- Qlever software mandatory
- Applications: similar to standard loggers but taking in account radio transmission limitations



### Wireless data logging systems: Radio loggers

#### Radio

- Mandatory contact with the logger
- **USB communication interface** required to program, start/stop loggers and download data
- Radio receiver/transmitter required
- Similar operating ranges to standard loggers
- Longer metallic cover on NanoVACQ's compared to standard ones
- Qlever software mandatory
- <u>Applications</u>: similar to standard loggers but taking in account radio transmission limitations



#### Wireless data logging systems: FullRadio loggers

#### **FullRadio**

- No contact with the logger
- Communication done through radio waves
- Radio receiver/transmitter required as a communication interface
- Ethernet, USB, RS485 connections for the receiver
- → No need to stand near the loggers to program/start/stop/read them
- Similar operating ranges to standard loggers
- Longer metallic cover on NanoVACQ's compared to standard ones
- Qlever software mandatory
- <u>Applications</u>: similar to standard loggers but taking in account radio transmission limitations



### FullRadio loggers: Radio receiver/transmitter

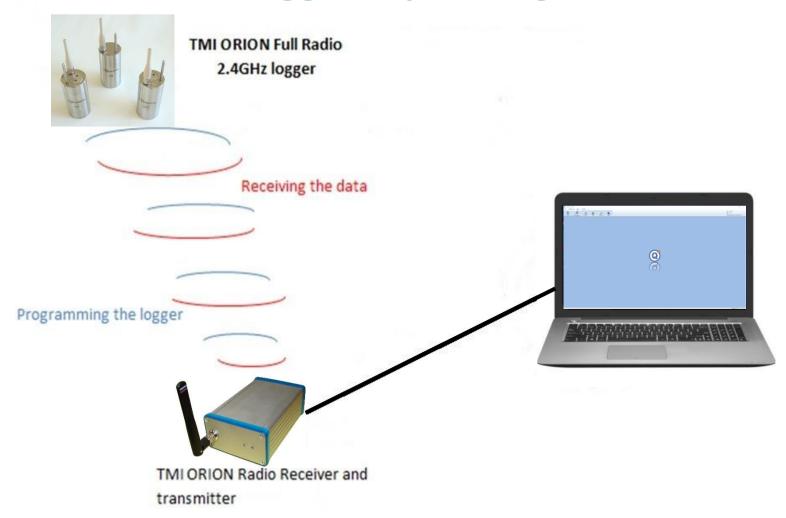
#### **Features**

- Communication done through radio waves
- Ethernet, USB, RS485 connections for the receiver
- → No need to stand near the loggers to program/start/stop/read them
- No limitation of the number of the managed loggers





## **FullRadio loggers operating mode**



#### **FullRadio loggers**

#### **Applications:**

- Real time data from loggers inside autoclaves
- Program, start, stop, read loggers without touching them
- Great feature for limited access applications such as low temperature freezer where opening the door requires an 8 hour stabilization time afterwards

#### **FullRadio loggers**

#### **Typical Application:**

- Program and set up standard or radio data loggers inside packagings on a basket takes a long time. When the sterilization cycle is about to start, if a problem occurs with the steam generator, then the cycle start is delayed for 3 hours. All loggers have to be retrieved, stopped and reprogrammed, which means: take all baskets out, open all packagings, remove and set the loggers back in place, close the packagings and push the baskets inside the autoclave...
  → Wasted time and money

#### **FullRadio loggers**

#### **Radio standards**

- R&TTE Directive 1999/5/CE (EU)
- FCC Part 15.247 (US)
- RSS-210 (Canada)
- ARIB TELEC (Japan)
- KCC RWA 58-2 (Korea)

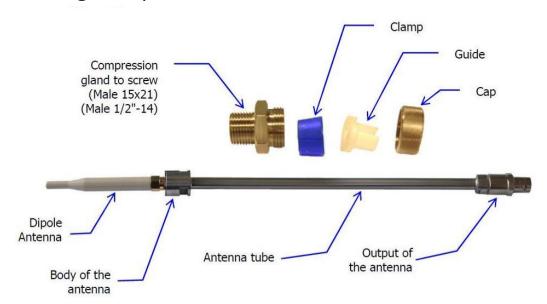
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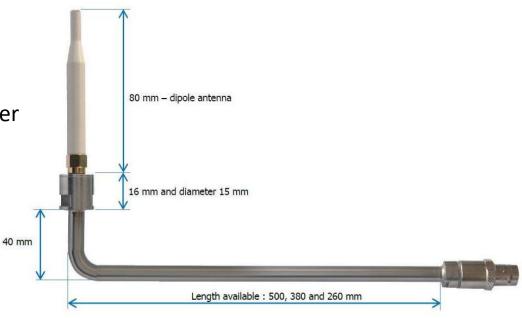
- Frequency Band: 2.4GHz ISM band (2.405 GHz to 2.480 GHz with 16 channels available for worldwide).
- Communication protocol : IEEE 802.15.4
- Frequency Band: 2.405 GHz to 2.475 GHz with 14 channels.
- Output power: Maximum 5 dBm (3.2mW).

#### **Receiving antenna**

#### **Transmission efficiency**

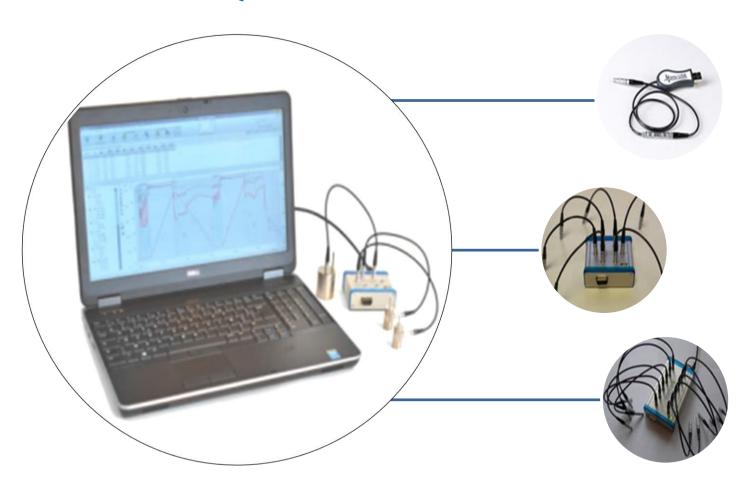
- To optimize data transmission between loggers and radio receiver
- Inserted inside vessels such as autoclaves
- Mounted on the vessel feed through devices
- Different adaptors available for the feed through devices
- Different shapes, straight or right angled
- Different lengths, up to 500mm



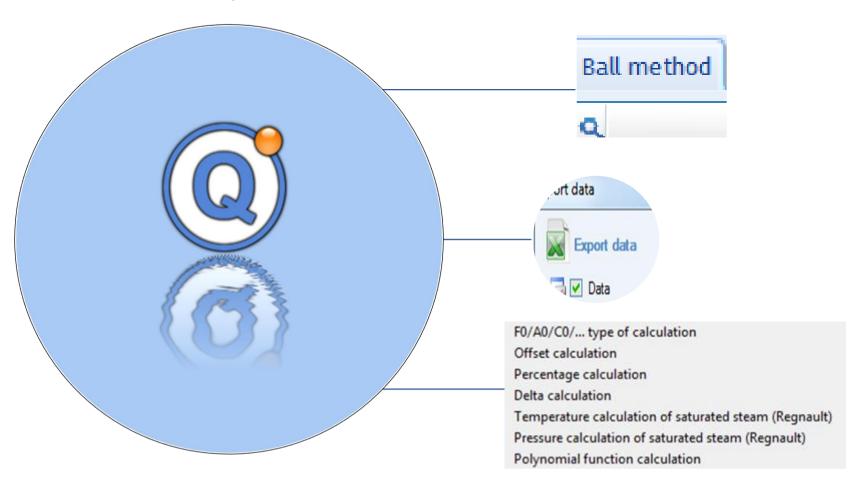




## **QLEVER Software**



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#### **Qlever Modules**

- FDA 21 CFR Part 11
- Pharma (Statistics + FDA 21 CFR Part 11)
- Autoclaves validation → ISO17665
- Washer disinfector validation → ISO15883
- Mapping → FDX 15 140
- Calibration (Expert, Automated or Manual mode)

## **Qlever Modules**

|                |                             |   | Pharma | Hospital | Food Other industries |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---|--------|----------|-----------------------|
| QLEVER Lite    |                             |   |        | X        | ×                     |
|                | QLEVER                      | X | X      | X        | ×                     |
| QLEVER Modules | FDA 21 CFR Part 11          | X |        |          |                       |
|                | Statistics                  | X |        | X        | ×                     |
|                | Pharma                      | X |        |          |                       |
|                | Autoclaves ISO17665         |   | X      |          |                       |
|                | Washer Disinfector ISO15883 | X | X      |          |                       |
|                | Mapping FDX 15140           | X | X      | X        | ×                     |
|                | Ceramics                    |   |        |          | ×                     |
|                | Calibration                 | X |        | X        | ×                     |

(X): Modules which can be or already sold to these industries

#### **QLEVER Software**

- Encrypted database management
- Multi users license with one license per plant
- Operating on Windows 7, 8 and 10
- Audit trails and different access levels and rights (for FDA 21 CFR Part 11 compliance)
- Setup library in modules
- Specific reports including up to 3 different cycles in a row
- Ball method calculation

#### **QLEVER Software**



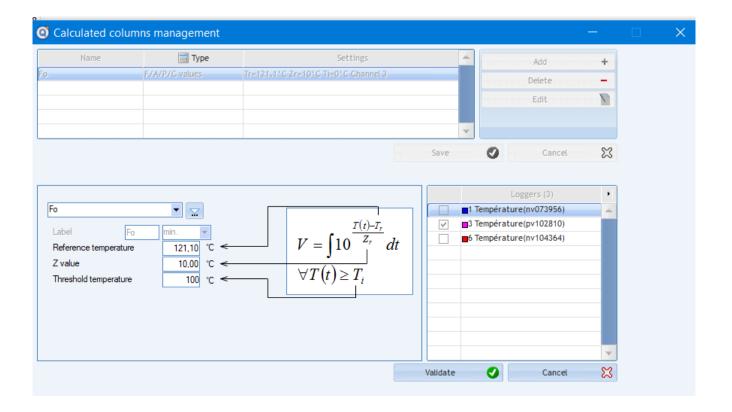
#### **QLEVER Software: Food applications**

- Sterilization, pasteurization, cooking values calculation
- Ball Method calculation
- Offset calculation
- Raw data export to Excel
- Shared database
- Encrypted database management
- Multi users license with one license per plant
- Operating on Windows 7, 8 and 10

#### **QLEVER Software**

#### FO calculation:

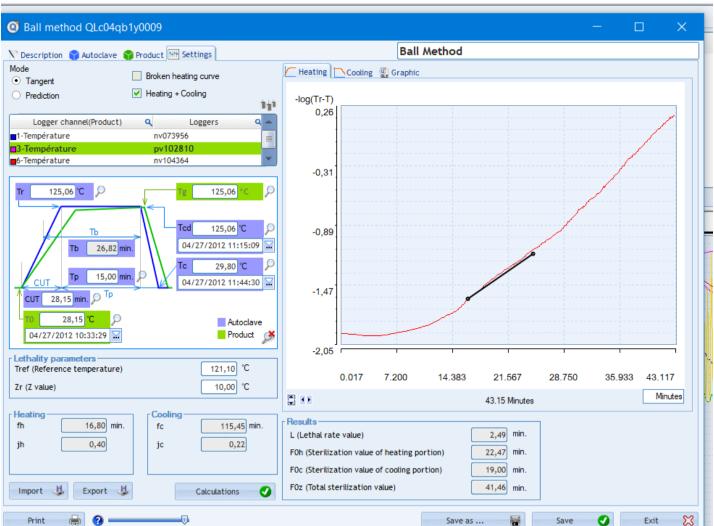
- Reference value, Z value
- Threshold temperature
- Apply to the right logger



#### **QLEVER Software**

#### Ball Method, 2 modes:

- Tangent, based on actual data
- Prediction, predict results based on cycle modification
- F0 calculation including heating and cooling phases
- Fh, Jh, Fc, Jc calculation



#### **QLEVER Software: Food applications**

- Manage all TMI-Orion loggers including Radio loggers
- Temperature, pressure, distortion, humidity, rotation...
- Different calculations available
- Raw data export to Excel
- User friendly
- IQ/OQ validation protocols
- Calibration/adjustment module as an option
- Continuously improved based on customer feedbacks

#### To come soon

- LDAP management
- Customer/Network version
- Validation report

#### **Company commitments**

- Customer Satisfaction
- Striving for Excellence
- Choice of best components and most advanced technologies
- Study and design upon request