# **CORI-FLOW®**

# Precision Mass Flow Meters / Controllers for Liquids and Gases



Bronkhorst High-Tech B.V., the European market leader in thermal Mass Flow Meters/Controllers and Electronic Pressure Controllers, has 25 years experience in designing and manufacturing precise and reliable measurement and control devices. With a wide range of instruments, Bronkhorst High-Tech offers innovative solutions for many different applications in many different markets. The instruments are made to customers' specification, in various styles, suitable for use in laboratory, industrial and hazardous areas, in such diverse applications as semiconductor and analytical installations, to name but two.

# > CORI-FLOW® series direct mass flow meters and controllers

Bronkhorst High-Tech, specialists in low flow measurement and control, designed the CORI-FLOW® series mass flow metering instruments to provide high accuracy in three classes:  $\pm 0.2\%$ ,  $\pm 0.5\%$  or  $\pm 1.0\%$  of Reading.

CORI-FLOW® utilises a patented, advanced Coriolis type mass flow sensor to achieve unsurpassed performance, even with changing operating conditions in pressure, temperature, density, conductivity and viscosity. The instruments are offered as separate flow meters or with close-coupled control valve or pump, thus constituting a compact Coriolis-type mass flow controller. The instruments have analog (0-5 Vdc / 4-20 mA) and RS232 output as standard and can, as options, be equipped with interface to Profibus-DP®, DeviceNet™, Modbus-RTU or FLOW-BUS.

There are 4 models with overlapping nominal flow ranges from 200 g/h up to 600 kg/h (full scale value), each offering "multi-range" functionality: factory calibrated ranges can be rescaled by the user, maintaining the original accuracy specs. Both meters and controllers are equipped with an IP65 weatherproof housing and are available with ATEX approval for use in Zone 2 hazardous areas.



#### > Fields of application

CORI-FLOW® instruments are applied in process fluid measurement or control systems in food, (petro-) chemical and pharmaceutical industries, in fermentation installations, in semiconductor processing and in fuel cell technology. Some typical examples of applications are described further on in this brochure.

### > General CORI-FLOW® features

- direct mass flow measurement
- independent of fluid properties
- integrated PID controller for control valve or pump
- fast response time
- high accuracy, excellent repeatability
- compact, IP65 housing
- ATEX approval Cat.3, Zone 2
- option: bidirectional measurement

#### > Digital features

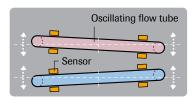
- ◆ DeviceNet<sup>™</sup>, PROFIBUS-DP®, Modbus-RTU or FLOW-BUS slave
- RS232 interface
- other fieldbus options on request
- alarm and (batch) counter functions

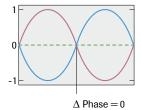


# > Measuring principle

The CORI-FLOW® contains two parallel tube loops, forming part of an oscillating system. When a fluid flows through the tubes, Coriolis forces cause a variable phase shift between the loops, which is detected by sensors and fed into the integrally mounted pc-board. The resulting output signal is strictly proportional to the real mass flow rate.

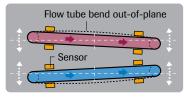
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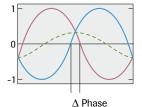




Differential sensing mode - top view

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> Technical specifications

#### Performance flow sensor

Accuracy Class A : 0,2% of rate + zero stability, range 20:1 Note: Class A Class B : 0,5% of rate + zero stability, range 50:1 for liquids only Class C : 1,0% of rate + zero stability, range 100:1

Smallest Full Scale flow rates (values in kg/h)

	M52		M53		M54		M55	
	Gas	Liquid	Gas	Liquid	Gas	Liquid	Gas	Liquid
Class A min. FS rate	n.a.	1	n.a.	1	n.a.	10	n.a.	50
Class B min. FS rate	1	0,5	1	0,5	10	5	50	20
Class C min. FS rate	0,5	0,2	0,5	0,5	5	5	20	20
Recommended min. flow	0,02		0,05		0,2		0,5	
Zero stability	< 0,005		< 0,010		< 0,050		< 0,100	

Repeatability : 0,1% of rate

(based on digital output)

Mounting position : preferred mounting position on liquid

service upside down

#### **Operating limits flow controller**

Control range	: 2100%
(with elastomeric seat)	
Auto shut off	: valve closes when setpoint drops below 1,6%
Liquids and Gases	: any clean, homogeneous liquid or gas
	compatible with AISI 316 (or Hastelloy-C22
	as an option)
Differential pressure	: recommended $\Delta P$ across control valve at least
mass flow controller	50% of total $\Delta P$ for liquids and 75% for gases
Settling time	: approx. 0,5 s

#### Mechanical Process connections : std. 1/4" face seal male, or 1/8", 1/4" or 6 mm OD compression type; other on request Material of construction : stainless steel AISI 316 or equivalent; (wetted parts) option for M52 / M53 / M54: Hastelloy-C22 Weight : meter: approx. 3,1 kg meter + integral valve: 4,4 kg (max.) Ingress protection : IP 65 (weatherproof) for meter; for controller on request Leak integrity :< 2 x 10<sup>-9</sup> mbar l.s<sup>-1</sup> He Pressure test : 1,5 times max. stated operating pressure prevailing at customer : 100 bar Max. operating pressure : 0...70°C for standard version. Temperature range (ambient + fluid) 0...120°C with remote electronics, 130°C ≤ 1 hour allowed for CIP **Electrical** : +15...24 Vdc ± 10%; Power supply (DeviceNet<sup>TM</sup> +24 Vdc only) Consumption electronics : approx. 80 mA at 15 Vdc Consumption valve : 250 mA (max) at 15 Vdc (if present) Output signal analog : 0...5 (10) Vdc; 2 kOhm min. load 0 (4)...20 mA (sourcing); 375 Ohm max. load digital : Profibus-DP®, DeviceNet™, FLOW-BUS, RS-232, Modbus : 0...5 (10) Vdc; 424 kOhm load Command signal analog 0 (4)...20 mA (sinking); 250 Ohm load : Profibus-DP®, DeviceNet™, FLOW-BUS, digital RS-232. Modbus Electr. connection : male, 8-pin Amphenol for power, analog I/O and RS-232 option : standard M12 connector for Profibus (female) or



CE approved design

DeviceNet<sup>™</sup>/FLOW-BUS (male)/Modbus (male)

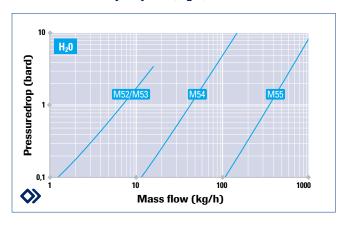
CORI-FLOW® Mass Flow Meter with pressure actuated control valve

# > Flow capacity liquid

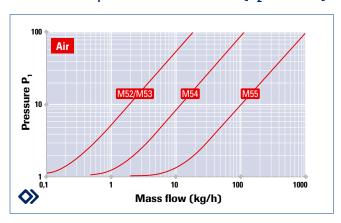
Basic model	DN (mm)	Nominal Flow*	0,2	0,5	1,0		Capa O:			•	)	200	500	009
M52	1	0,5 kg/h**	•	•	•									
M53	1	5 kg/h		•	•	•	=	•						
M54	2	50 kg/h					•	•	•	•	•			
M55	4	500 kg/h							•	•	•	•	-	•

- Nominal flow: mass flow rate of liquid at a pressure drop of approx. 1 bar and based on reference conditions of water at approx. 20°C.
- \*\* Lowest recommended value for optimal performance is 20 g/h.

# > Pressure drop liquid (H<sub>2</sub>O)



# > Pressure $P_1$ vs. mass flow for Air ( $P_2$ = 1 bara)



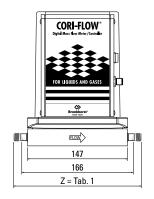
 Capacity based on air flow measurement: capacity shown increases with pressure; max. allowable pressure is 100 bara.

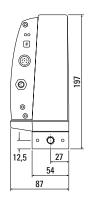
# > Table 1 (Z-values in mm)

Connections (in/out)	M50	M50C2/ M50C5I	M50C4
$\frac{1}{8}$ " compression type	201	267	-
$\frac{1}{8}$ " face seal male	194	260	-
1/4" compression type	204	270	306
1/4" face seal male	202	267	301
1/4" face seal female	202	267	-
6 mm compression type	204	270	306

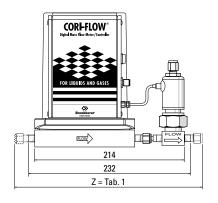
# **Dimensions (mm)**

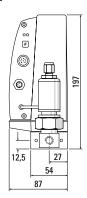
#### **M50-Series Mass Flow Meter**



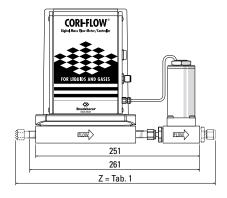


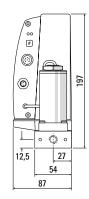
#### **M50C2-Series Mass Flow Meter Controller**



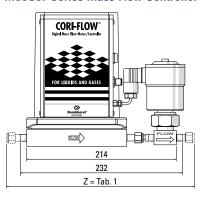


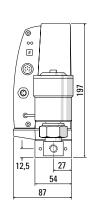
## **M50C4-Series Mass Flow Controller**





## **M50C5I-Series Mass Flow Controller**





Technical specifications and dimensions subject to change without notice. Dimensional drawings for other MFCs available on request.

# > Applications

The CORI-FLOW® is suitable for application in industrial environment, laboratories and OEM installations in the following markets (typically):

- Surface treatment,
- Energy (fuel cells),
- Semiconductor industry,
- Chemical industry,
- Pharmaceutical industry,
- Food industry,
- Optical fibre industry, etc.

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Critical gas measurement

Fluids like carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) and ethylene ( $C_2H_4$ ) are difficult to measure when they are in the interphase stage between being a liquid and a gas. This occurs at temperatures >20°C when pressure ranges from approx. 20 bara to approx. 60...95 bara (depending on temperature).

Under these conditions, physical properties like density ( $\rho$ ) and heat capacity (Cp) change very rapidly which makes an accurate mass flow measurement, based on the thermal principle, very difficult.

CORI-FLOW® offers a solution here because of the true mass flow measurement, **independent of physical properties**. The **true** mass flow of the molecules is measured, regardless of whether the fluid is in gas phase, in liquid phase or indeed somewhere in between. Experiences in the field have proven that this principle of measuring is very accurate and reliable.

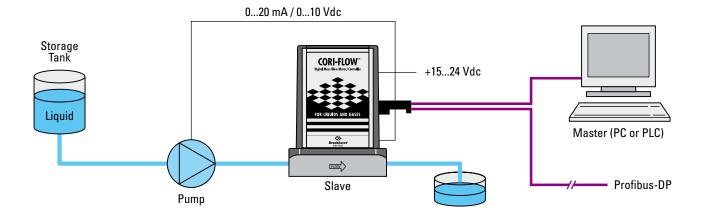


# > CORI-FLOW® Application

**CORI-FLOW®** with pump control, Profibus-DP operated

By utilising the integrated PID-control function on the CORI-FLOW® meter, a desired mass flow can be controlled with either a traditional proportional valve or now, more commonly, with a pump as the actuator. The PID-control to the pump can either be via a direct analogue signal (0...10 V, 0...15 V, 0...20 mA, 4...20 mA) or can be via a voltage/current to frequency converter if this feature is available. The maximum power load for the PID-controller output is ~3.75 Watt. PID-settings for optimal pump control can be set using FlowPlot, a Bronkhorst tooling program. Most commonly this will be performed in the factory, however, in line with the Bronkhorst Total Service Concept it is also possible to do this on site.

CORI-FLOW® instruments can be operated using normal analog signals or via digital interfaces such as RS-232 or fieldbus communication. Profibus-DP is popular within the process industry as it offers a straight forward connection between a master, a PC or PLC (e.g. Siemens S7-300/400) and its slave devices. Within such a system, the CORI-FLOW® instrument would act as one of the slave devices and as such would have its control behaviour influenced by the master device. This offers high flexibility in mass flow control.



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#### **Batch control**

Bronkhorst CORI-FLOW® instruments include an integrated counter for totalisation of preferred mass units, e.g. grams or kilograms. The counter can be programmed for continuous increase or for totalisation up to a pre-set limit. Upon reaching this limit, several further actions can be programmed; for example, an alarm signal and/or a change of setpoint to the integrated controller. By utilising the integrated counter function, a CORI-FLOW® instrument is able to totalize the measured mass flow extremely accurately. The full program cycle is very fast (< 50 msec) so the true flow will be integrated in almost real-time. The user-set counter and counter limit can then be employed for exact dosing of the desired batch.

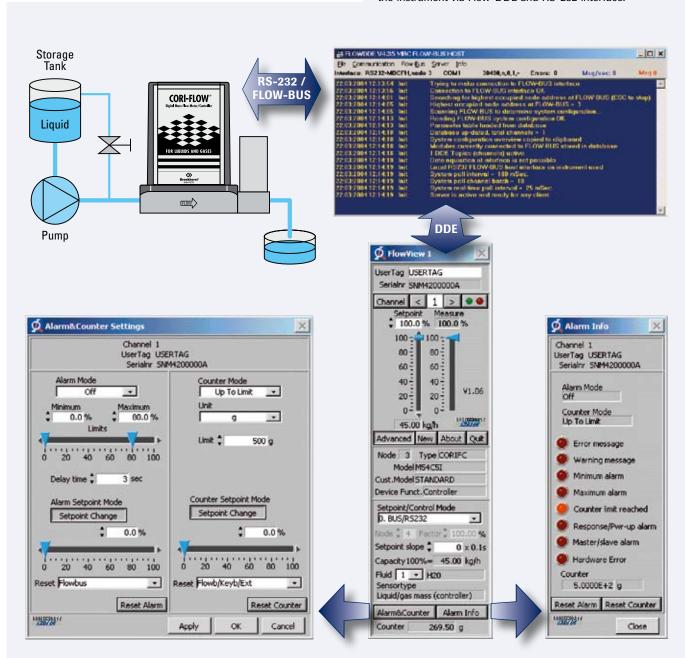
First a setpoint will be provided to the integrated PID-controller connected to a proportional valve or to a pump. Upon reaching the limit/batch total, the instrument can close the valve or stop the pump by generating a setpoint of 0% for the controller.

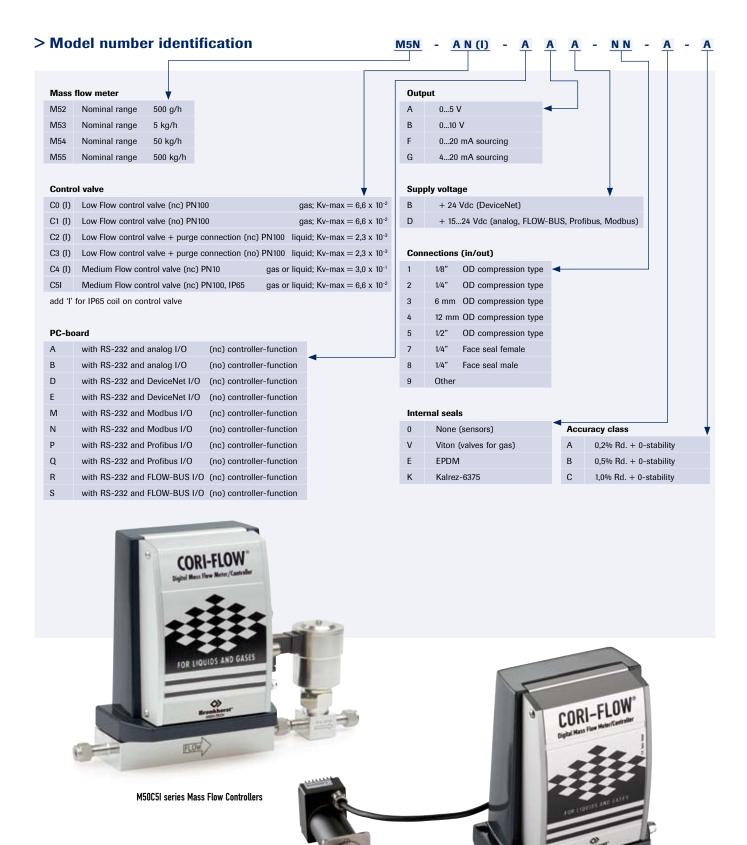
Simultaneously, an alarm can be given to the external computer or simply signal to LED's. Following a reset command (manual or remote) the next batch can commence.

By using these integrated facilities a very stable, accurate and compact dosing solution is provided.

#### **Example:**

A vial needs to be filled repeatedly with 375 grams of water in 30 seconds. Correct sizing ensures that the equivalent flow rate of 45 kg/h can be fulfilled by our M54C5l model. If the outlet pressure (P2) is atmospheric (1 bara) the minimum inlet pressure (P1) should be  $\geq$  3 bara. The pressure drop over the sensor will be approx. 1 bard and we recommend an equal value across the valve. The orifice needed will be 1.7 mm. Batch control will be performed using the FlowView application programme (Freeware) connected to the instrument via Flow-DDE and RS-232 interface.







CORI-FLOW® Mass Flow Meter with dosing pump and filter