SediLink™ Radio Modem LM-36

Telemetry solution for SediMeter[™] instruments.

Description

The modem has a socket for an XBee or XBee PRO radio module, where the latter has higher effect. These radios use license-free frequencies, such as 2.4 GHz globally, 900 MHz in the Americas, and 868 MHz in Europe. The radio modem has four functions. It translates communication between a SediMeter[™] and an XBee radio. Second, it provides power to the radio module from its rechargeable Lithium battery. Third, it has built-in solar cells for recharging its own battery and that of a connected SediMeter. Forth, it has white LEDs on the sides that blink when the instrument wakes up. This is useful as a visual indication that it is responding, and also as a buoy light to warn seafarers at night.

For laboratory use the radio modem can be mounted directly on a SediMeter SM3A, but normally a male-female cable is used to connect them, and the radio modem is mounted on a tube on a buoy.

Most radios support both 9600 baud for longer range, and 115200 baud for faster data transfer and less battery drain. Most radios also support DigiMesh[™], a networking system that allows radios to act like routers and extend the effective size of the monitoring network.

We can also offer a **cell phone** module instead of radio. At the time of writing, the option is only available in the U.S.

Specifications

Socket accepts radios type Radio modem function Battery type Battery duration Available radio power Charge current to SediMeter Dimensions Weight XBee, XBee Pro Transparent mode Lithium 2500 mAh Depends on usage 3.3 V / 1000 mA 5.5 V / 60 mA Diam 180 mm X 120 mm 400 g

Some Suitable XBee PRO Radios

- · Japan: XBee-PRO 2.4J, range 1 km
- Everywhere else: XBee-PRO 2.4, range 1.6 km
- Americas, Australia: XBee-PRO 900HP, range 14 km
- Europe, Africa: XBee-PRO 868, range 40 km (this radio

does not support 115200 baud or DigiMesh)

Unless you use a cell phone modem you also need a radio at your base station computer, whether on shore or on a data collection vessel. If on shore it can use a directional antenna to increase effective range.

Two year warranty. Specifications subject to change without prior notice.



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