

## Operating manual

Photometric/radiometric probes  
LPPHOT01 – LPPAR01 – LPRAD01  
LPUVA01 – LPUVB01 – LPUVC01



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# 1 INTRODUCTION

The probes of the series LP...01 allow measurement of photometric and radiometric quantities such as illuminance (lux), irradiance ( $W/m^2$ ) across VIS-NIR, UVA, UVB, UVC spectral regions, the number of photons per time unit and area in the PAR region (400 nm...700 nm).

In probes LP...01 there is no need for external power supply. The output signal in mV is given through a resistor shunting the photodiode ends. The photocurrent generated by the photodiode when hit by light, is converted to a potential difference, which is read by a voltmeter. Once the DDP (Potential Difference) is known, the measured value can be calculated through the calibration factor.

**Each probe is individually calibrated. The sensitivity factor is marked on the housing of the probe and is specific to that probe.**

LPPHOT01 and LPPAR01 probes are equipped with cosine corrected diffuser.

LP...01 probes are **suitable for indoor applications** which requires the constant monitoring of the quantities specified.

The output signal can be amplified or converted into a 4...20 mA or 0...10 Vdc signal by using a converter of the series HD978TR3 (4...20 mA) or HD978TR4 (0...10 Vdc) for DIN rail attachment, or the wall mounting types HD978TR5 (4...20 mA) and HD978TR6 (0...10 Vdc).

## 2 PROBES TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

All probes are composed of a photodiode, a filter, a diffuser, the case and a 5 meters cable allowing the connection of the probe to the reading instrument.

The typical variation of probe sensitivity with temperature variation is  $-0.1\%/^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The sensitivity factor shown on the probe was obtained in an air-conditioned environment at an ambient temperature of  $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  and relative humidity  $50 \pm 10\%$ .

### 2.1 LPPHOT01

The LPPHOT01 probe (class B luxmeter) measures **illuminance** (lux) defined as the ratio between the luminous flux (lumen) passing through a surface and the surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ ).

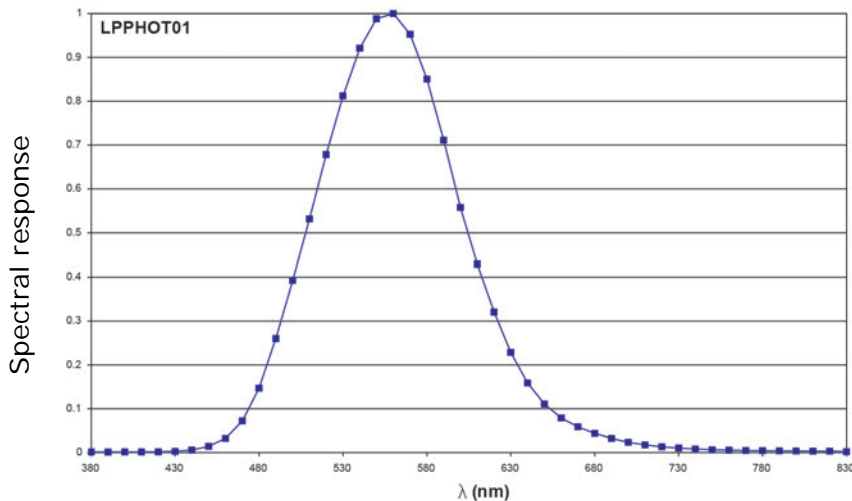
The spectral response curve of a photometric probe is equal to the one of the human eye, known as standard photopic curve  $V(\lambda)$ .

The difference in spectral response between LPPHOT01 and the standard photopic curve  $V(\lambda)$  is calculated by means of the error  $f_1'$ .



#### Photometric characteristics

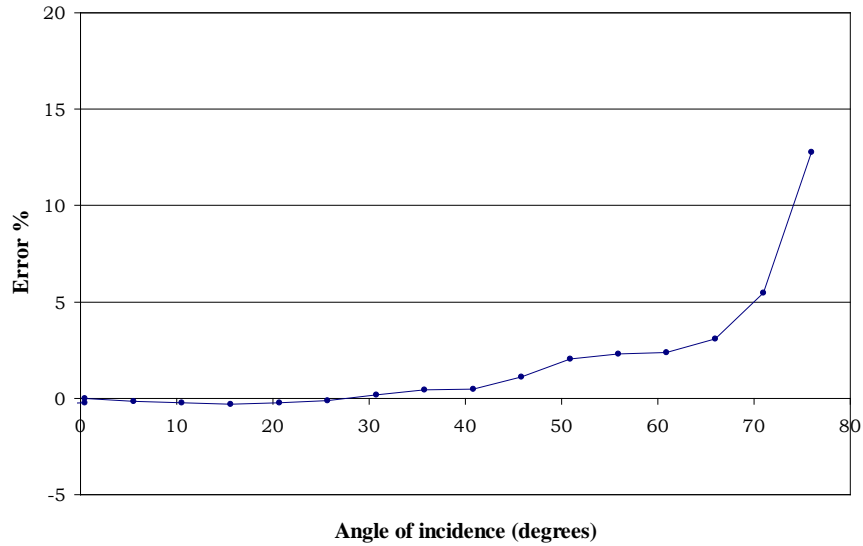
The spectral response curve of the LPPHOT01 probe is shown in the following graph together with the standard phototypical curve.



The calibration of the probe is performed by comparing it to a luxmeter calibrated by a Primary Metrological Institute. The calibration procedure follows the CIE publication No 69 (1987) "Method of Characterizing Illuminance Meters and Luminance Meters" and is carried out by illuminating the probe with a standard illuminant A.

The illuminant A is a reference incandescent lamp with a colour temperature of 2856K.

The following figure shows the trend of the deviation from the cosine law as the angle varies for the LPPHOT01 probe:



### Technical specifications

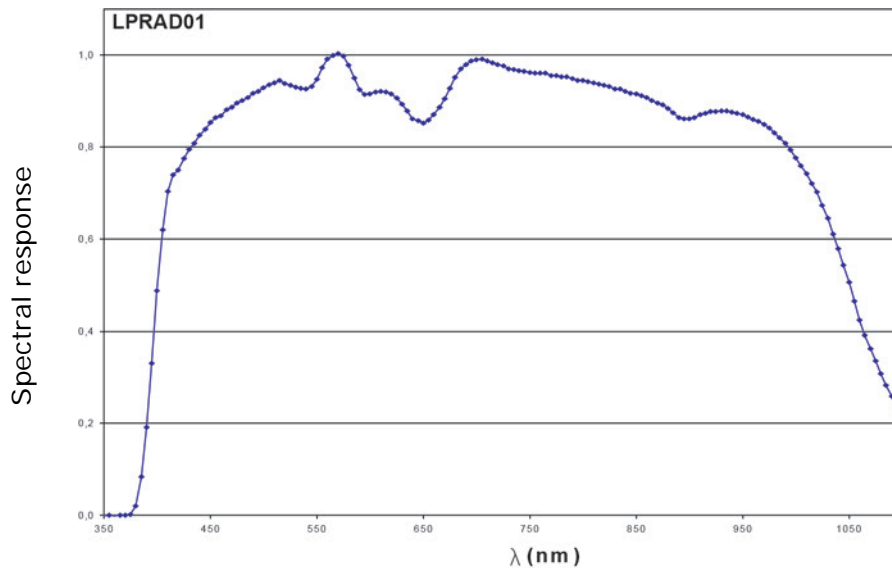
<b>Typical sensitivity</b>	0.5...1.5 mV/klux
<b>Measuring range</b>	0...200000
<b>Spectral range</b>	V( $\lambda$ )
<b>Calibration accuracy</b>	<4%
<b>f<sub>1</sub> (V(<math>\lambda</math>) match error)</b>	<6%
<b>f<sub>2</sub> (cosine response/directional error)</b>	<3%
<b>f<sub>3</sub> (linearity)</b>	<1%
<b>F<sub>5</sub> (fatigue)</b>	<0.5%
<b>Operating temperature</b>	0...50°C
<b>Output impedance</b>	0.5...1 k $\Omega$
<b>Dimensions</b>	Ø 30 mm x 38 mm height

## 2.2 LPRAD01

The LPRAD01 probe measures **irradiance** ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ) defined as the ratio between the flow of energy ( $\text{W}$ ) crossing a surface and the area of the surface considered ( $\text{m}^2$ ) in the spectral region of the VIS-NIR (400 nm...1050 nm).

### Photometric characteristics

The spectral response curve of the LPRAD01 probe is shown in the following graph together with the standard phototypical curve.



Probe calibration is carried out by using 577/579 nm lines of a Xe-Hg lamp, filtered through a special interferential filter. The temperature has a negligible influence on the spectral response of the probe.

### Technical specifications

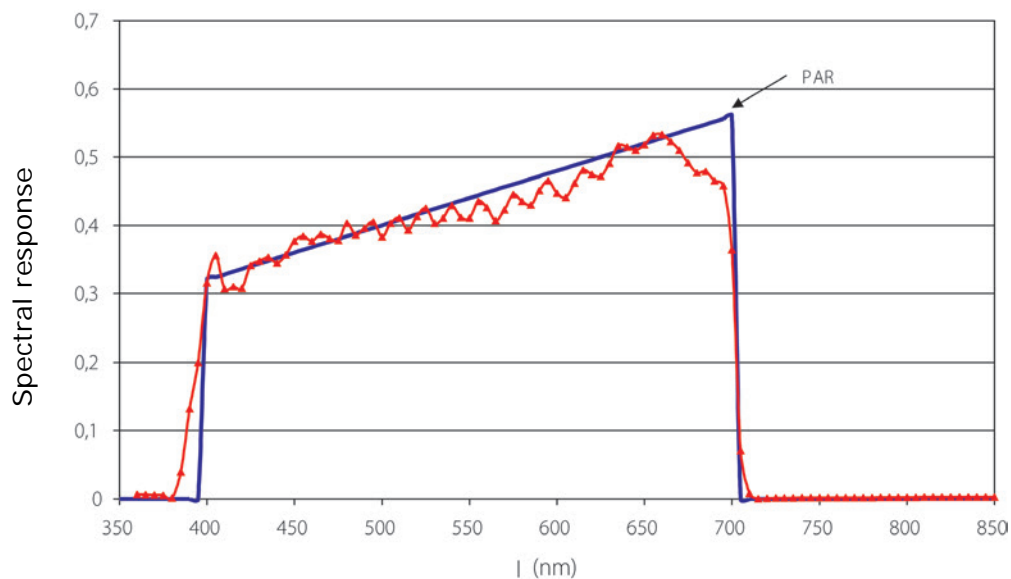
<b>Typical sensitivity</b>	2.6 $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$
<b>Measuring range</b>	0...200 $\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$
<b>Spectral range</b>	$\approx 400 \text{ nm} \dots \approx 1050 \text{ nm}$
<b>Calibration accuracy</b>	<6%
<b>f<sub>2</sub> (cosine response/directional error)</b>	<6%
<b>Operating temperature</b>	0...50°C
<b>Output impedance</b>	1 k $\Omega$
<b>Dimensions</b>	Ø 30 mm x 38 mm height

## 2.3 LPPAR01

The LPPAR01 probe measures the ratio between the number of photons that strike a surface in one second, in the 400 nm...700 nm spectral range and the surface area (m<sup>2</sup>). This quantity is defined as PAR: **Photosynthetically Active Radiation**.

### Radiometric characteristics

The spectral response curve of the LPPAR01 probe is shown in the following graph:



The probe calibration is carried out by using an halogen lamp, with a known spectral irradiance in a specific spectral range (400 nm...700 nm).

### Technical specifications:

Typical sensitivity	30 $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
Measuring range	0...5000 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot(\text{m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1})$
Spectral range	400 nm...660 nm
Calibration accuracy	<6%
$f_2$ (cosine response/directional error)	<6%
Operating temperature	0...50°C
Output impedance	1 k $\Omega$
Dimensions	Ø 30 mm x 38 mm height

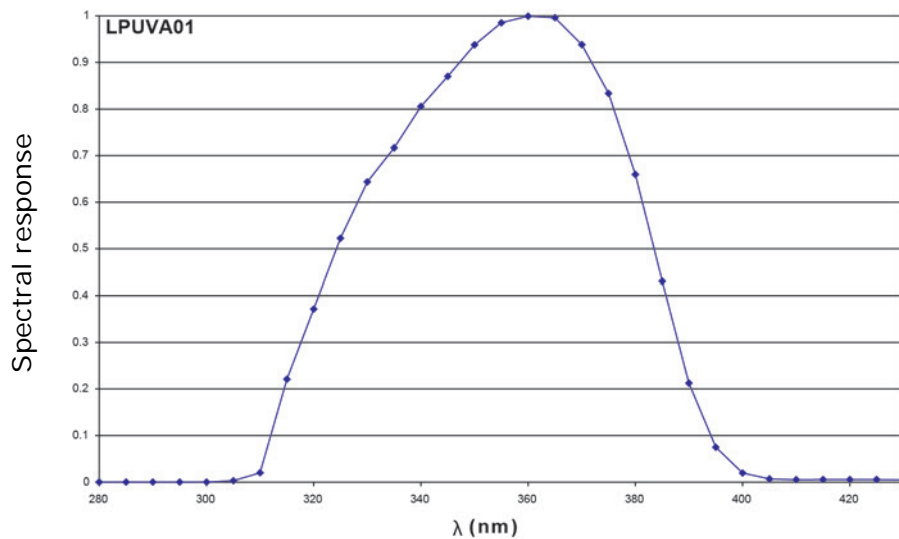


## 2.4 LPUVA01

The LPUVA01 probe measures **irradiance** ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ) defined as the ratio between the radiant flux ( $\text{W}$ ) passing through a surface and the surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ ) in the **UVA (315 nm...400 nm)** spectral range. Thanks to a new type of photodiode, LPUVA01 is blind to visible and infrared light.

### Radiometric characteristics

The spectral response curve of the LPUVA01 probe is shown in the following graph:



The calibration is performed by reference to our primary standard with monochromatic light at 365 nm obtained separating the emission line of a Xe-Hg lamp with an inferential filter. To get best performances from your LPUVA01 it is strongly recommended that the calibration be checked annually. The temperature has a negligible influence on the spectral response of the probe.

### Technical specifications

Typical sensitivity	2.6 $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$
Measuring range	0...200 $\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$
Spectral range	peak at $\approx 360$ nm and FWHM 60 nm
Calibration accuracy	<6%
Operating temperature	0...50°C
Output impedance	1 k $\Omega$
Dimensions	$\varnothing$ 30 mm x 38 mm height

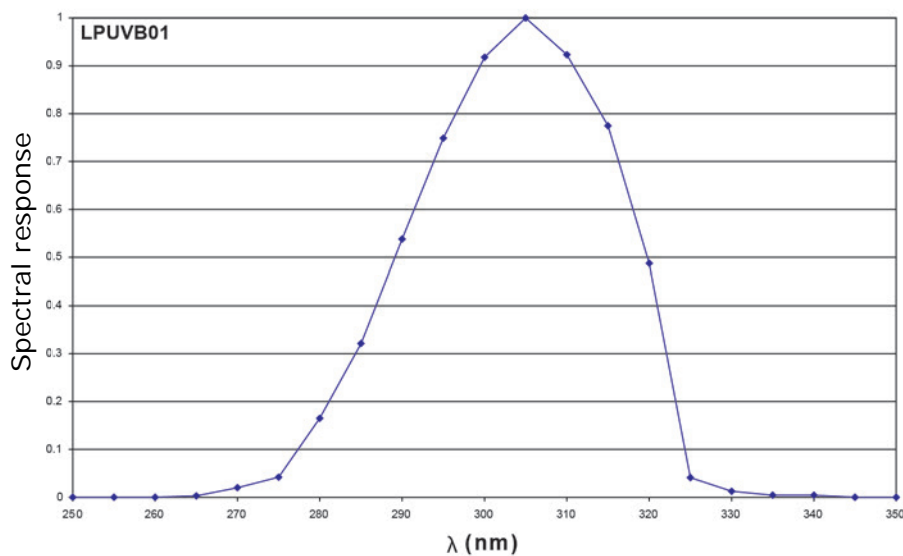


## 2.5 LPUVB01

The LPUVB01 probe measures **irradiance** ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ) defined as the ratio between the radiant flux ( $\text{W}$ ) passing through a surface and the surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ ) in the **UVB (280 nm...315 nm) spectral range**. Thanks to the use of a new type of photodiode, the LPUVB01 probe is blind to visible and infrared light.

### Radiometric characteristics

The spectral response curve of the LPUVB01 probe is shown in the following graph:



Probe calibration is carried out by using a 313 nm line of a Xe-Hg lamp, filtered through a special interferential filter. Measurement is carried out by comparison with the primary standards, assigned to Delta OHM Metrological Laboratory.

### Technical specifications

Typical sensitivity	0.19 $\mu\text{V}/(\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2)$
Measuring range	0...200 $\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$
Spectral range	peak at $\approx 305$ nm and FWHM 31 nm
Calibration accuracy	<8%
Operating temperature	0...50°C
Output impedance	2 k $\Omega$
Dimensions	$\varnothing$ 30 mm x 38 mm height

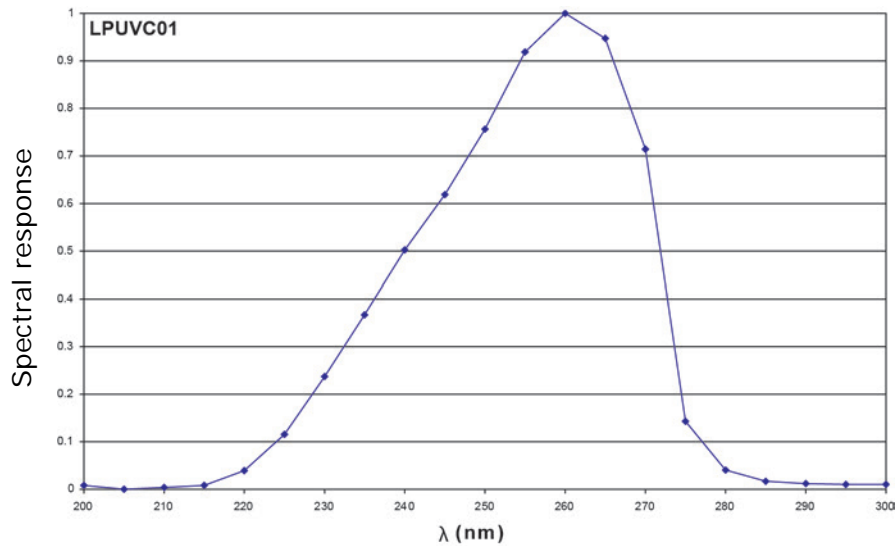
## 2.6 LPUVC01

The LPUVC01 probe measures **irradiance** ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ ) defined as the ratio between the radiant flux ( $\text{W}$ ) passing through a surface and the surface area ( $\text{m}^2$ ) in the **UVC (200 nm...280 nm) spectral range**. Thanks to the use of a new type of photodiode, the LPUVC01 probe is blind to visible and infrared light.



### Radiometric characteristics

The spectral response curve of the LPUVC01 probe is shown in the following graph:



The probe calibration is carried out by measuring irradiance coming from an Hg lamp at 254 nm.

### Technical specifications

Typical sensitivity	0.25 $\mu\text{V}/(\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2)$
Measuring range	0...200 $\text{mW}/\text{cm}^2$
Spectral range	peak at 260 nm and FWHM 32 nm
Calibration accuracy	<10%
Operating temperature	0...50°C
Output impedance	2 k $\Omega$
Dimensions	Ø 30 mm x 38 mm height

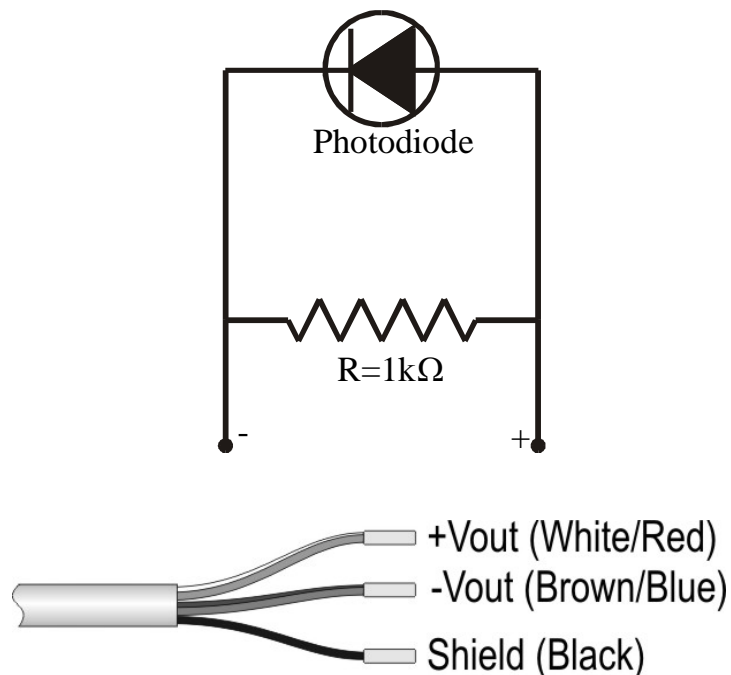
### 3 INSTALLATION

Once the installation place has been decided, the connections between the probe and the voltmeter should be provided; the voltmeter should have proper scales of measurement.

#### 3.1 ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

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The electric signal of the probes is measured at the ends of the resistance which short-circuits the terminals of the photodiode. The photocurrent generated by the photodiode struck by the light is converted into a difference in potential. The wiring diagram is shown in the following figure.



To obtain a reading precision of 1% of the difference in potential at the ends of the resistance, the probe must be connected to a digital multimeter with input resistance  $> 100 k\Omega$

## 4 MEASUREMENT

The probe output must be read with a digital multimeter with internal resistance  $>100k\Omega$ . Connect the probe to the reading instrument as shown in the previous chapter.

Having measured the difference in potential (DDP) at the ends of the probe, the photo-radiometric measurement is given by the formula:

$$E = \text{DDP}/S$$

where:

**E** is the illuminance (Klux) or irradiance ( $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ) or PAR  $\mu\text{mol}/(\text{m}^2\text{s})$  according to the probe used

**DDP** is the difference in potential expressed in mV measured by the multimeter,

**S** is the calibration factor marked on the probe in mV/klux or  $\mu\text{V}/(\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2)$  or  $\mu\text{V}/(\mu\text{mol}/(\text{m}^2\text{s}))$ , according to the probe used.

### Note for LPUVA01, LPUVB01 and LPUVC01

At the moment no international agreement exist for the calibration of this kind of radiometer, so the calibration coefficient is dependent from the calibration procedure like reported in the following article:

*"Source of Error in UV Radiation Measurements "*, T. C. Larason, C. L. Cromer on *"Journal of Reaserch of the National Institute of Standards and Technology"* Vol. 106, Num. 4, 2001. (The article is free on the NIST's WEB site at the following address : <https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/jres/106/4/j64lar.pdf>)

## 5 SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### General safety instructions

The probes have been manufactured and tested in accordance with the safety standard EN61010-1:2010 "Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use" and has left the factory in perfect safety technical conditions.

The probes proper operation and operating safety can be ensured only if all standard safety measures as well as the specific measures described in this manual are followed.

The probes proper operation and operating safety can be ensured only in the climatic conditions specified in this manual.

Do not use the probes in places where there are:

- Corrosive or flammable gases.
- Direct vibrations or shocks to the instrument.
- High-intensity electromagnetic fields, static electricity.

### User obligations

The probe operator shall follow the directives and regulations below that refer to the treatment of dangerous materials:

- EEC directives on workplace safety.
- National law regulations on workplace safety.
- Accident prevention regulations.

## 6 ORDERING CODES

<b>LPPHOT01</b>	Photometric probe for measuring ILLUMINANCE, CIE photopic filter, diffuser for cosine correction. Output in mVdc per klux, cable L=5 m.
<b>LPRAD01</b>	Radiometric probe for measuring IRRADIANCE, diffuser for cosine correction. Output in $\mu\text{V} / \mu\text{Wcm}^{-2}$ , cable L=5 m.
<b>LPPAR01</b>	Radiometric probe for measuring PHOTONS FLOW (light flow in the field of photosynthesis of chlorophyll). Cosine correction. Output in $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{mol m}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , cable L=5 m.
<b>LPUVA01</b>	Radiometric probe for measuring IRRADIANCE in the UVA (315...400 nm). Output in $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{Wcm}^{-2}$ , cable L=5 m.
<b>LPUVB01</b>	Radiometric probe for measuring IRRADIANCE in the UVB (280...315 nm). Output in $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{Wcm}^{-2}$ , cable L=5 m.
<b>LPUVC01</b>	Radiometric probe for measuring IRRADIANCE in the UVC (220...280 nm). Output in $\mu\text{V}/\mu\text{Wcm}^{-2}$ , cable L=5 m.
<b>LPBL</b>	Base with levelling device.

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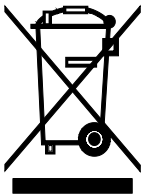
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## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

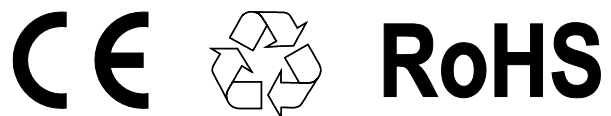
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