

Lithium Ion Battery Rack Monitoring System

#### **Technical Datasheet**



## **Product Description:**

The AWARE – Rack Level product is a low-power and compact device that monitors lithium ion batteries for increased safety. The monitor is integrated into lithium ion battery racks and provides a localized signal that indicates not only when a lithium ion battery cell has experienced an off-gassing event, but also precisely where it has occurred as well.

Our products provide value through gas sensing that is acutely sensitive to battery electrolyte solvent vapors. This sensing ability is paired with proprietary algorithms creates a product that can detect a single cell failure without electrical interrogation of cells or mechanical contact at the earliest possible indication – sometimes ahead of battery management systems and well ahead of thermal runaway.

The utilization of the Li-ion Tamer AWARE creates a completely independent perspective of battery health that can be used to provide an extra layer of safety for your lithium ion battery systems.

## **Key Features:**

- Compatible with all lithium ion battery form factors and chemistries
- Parts-per-million level detection threshold
- Calibration-free product
- Distributed sensing network provides localized gas detection
- Provides early warning of lithium ion battery failures
- Long product lifetime
- Fast response time to off-gassing events
- Highly reliable output signal
- Low power consumption
- Several mounting options
- Unobtrusive sensor with easy installation
- Independent and redundant perspective on battery health



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### Physical description:

The AWARE consists of several subsystems, the offgas monitors which are the detection points for offgas events and the controller, which aggregates all of the monitor's signals and contains the algorithm logic. A standard wire length for the different cables is also provided. These cables connect the monitors to the controller, provide power to the controller, and there is also a signal cable included which supplies the output signals from the AWARE.

| Physical specifications |                                 |  |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Part                    | Dimensions                      |  |
| Controller              | 107 (W) x 107 (L) x 33 (H) [mm] |  |
| Sensor                  | Ø 28.6 x 25.4 [mm]              |  |
| Monitor cable (front)   | 5150 [mm]                       |  |
| Monitor cable (back)    | 2400 [mm]                       |  |
| Power cable             | 1200 [mm]                       |  |
| Signal cable            | 1200 [mm]                       |  |

#### **Environmental description:**

The AWARE product is intended to be integrated into spaces with lithium ion batteries and, therefore, has very similar specifications to that of a standard lithium ion battery system.

| Environmental specifications |               |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Condition                    | Specification |
| Temperature                  | -10 to +80°C  |
| Humidity                     | 5 to 95% RH   |
| Max temperature change       | 8.6°C/min     |

#### **Electrical description:**

The AWARE product provides signals specific to the battery rack where it is installed. With this localized signal, you will be able to know specifically which rack is off-gassing and take action accordingly. Output signals for the OK state range from 5 – 24 VDC and can be adjusted based on customer's needs.

\*AC/DC power supplies can be provided

| Electrical specifications |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Specification             |  |  |
| 4.75 - 5.5 VDC*           |  |  |
| 0.95 W - 1.95 W per rack  |  |  |
| Sinking transistor        |  |  |
| 5 - 24 VDC                |  |  |
| 0.6 VDC                   |  |  |
|                           |  |  |

## **Gas detection description:**

The AWARE is equipped with a sensing element that is acutely sensitive to lithium ion battery electrolyte solvent vapors. This acute sensitivity is how this product is able to provide indication of a single cell battery failure without electrical or mechanical contact of battery cells.

| Gas detection specifications |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| Detail                       | Specification                                  |
| Target gases                 | Lithium ion battery electrolyte solvent vapors |
| Min. detection threshold     | 5 - 100 ppm                                    |
| Response time                | 5 seconds                                      |
| Fault detection              | Single cell failure                            |

## **Product life description:**

The associated algorithms provided an extended lifetime product that does not require calibration. The product is intended to have comparable lifetime to lithium ion battery systems.

| Product life specifications |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Detail                      | Specification |
| Target lifetime             | 5 - 10 years  |
| Warranty                    | 1 year        |

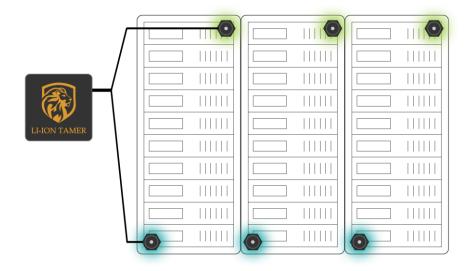


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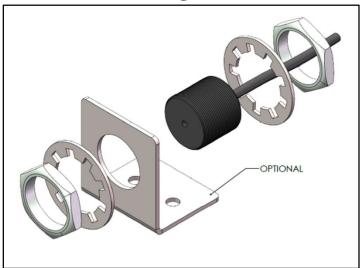
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| Detail                               | Certification                       |  |
| Hazardous Location EX classification | Class I B T2                        |  |
| Hazardous Location EX Zone           | Division 2 / Zone 2 / Category 3    |  |
| EMC                                  | IEC 61000-4-2 through IEC 61000-4-6 |  |
| Shock                                | MIL-STD-901D                        |  |
| Vibration                            | MIL-STD-167-1A                      |  |

#### System implementation:

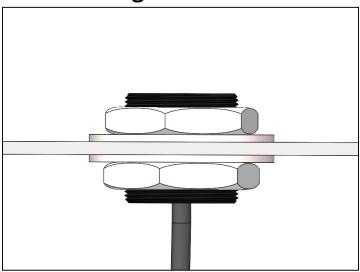
For highly reliable signal outputs the AWARE product is arranged so that two sensors monitor every battery rack. Sensors can be mounted in two ways, shown below, with a throughwall mount option and a bracket accessory option.



## **Mounting bracket**



## Through-wall mount



**NOTICE**: This device detects off-gas from lithium ion batteries. It does not prevent fires or thermal runaway. This device is not a stand alone safety device and should be incorporated into a proper safety system. If device responds, there is a risk of battery fault which could lead to thermal runaway. To avoid injury, leave area immediately.



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# Controller dimensions (33 mm depth not shown)



# Off-gas monitor dimensions and thread count

