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AgroBee-L Manual
AgroBee-L H2O System

Very low consumption radio modules and integrated parts of the AgroBee-L system for reading VWC (Volumetric Water Content) in the soil or wet leaves (LWS: Leaf Wetness Sensor) and reading digital sensors.

The AgroBee-L H2O model offers the following:

- 3 analog inputs for ground water content sensors (VWC) or wet leaf sensors (LWS) of the following type
  - Decagon 10HS (VWC)
  - Watermark 200SS + 200SS-VA + 200TS (VWC)
  - Solfranc SF-S10 / Vegetronix VH400 (VWC)
  - Meter Group PHYTOS-31
  - Decagon EC-5 (VWC)
  - Decagon GS1 (VWC)
  - Meter Group TEROS-10 (VWC)
- 1 counter or digital sensor or rain gauge input



This module is powered by a 1.06 W solar panel + supercapacitors (no need to replace batteries). The number of sensors a module uses, as well as their type, can be configured using a Module Reader of the module itself, or from the controller to which said module is associated.

All sensors connected to a module should be the same type.

The module itself supplies each sensor with the necessary supply voltage according to the type of sensor configured. Likewise, the read timing of the sensors can be chosen from 3 different values: 5, 10, or 20 minutes, with the default value being 5 minutes.

# Technical characteristics

Power supply					
Power supply: H2O: Solar: 5V /		H2O: Solar: 5V / 1	,06W → 3,3V	Panel plus high capacity supercapacitors	
Energy consumption: H2O Average consum 0,90 mW		Average consump 0,90 mW	otion:		
Outputs			Inputs		
Number 3		Maximum distance betweeen sensor and			
2 Vcc ó 12 Vcc (S		AgroBee-L: 50m			
	3 Vcc 6 12 Vcc (9	Sensor	AgroBee-L:	50m	
Туре	3 Vcc ó 12 Vcc ( power supply)	Sensor	AgroBee-L: Number	1	
Туре	3 Vcc ó 12 Vcc ( power supply) Maximum curre	Sensor ent: 50 mA	AgroBee-L: Number Type	50m 1 For potential-free contacts	
Туре	3 Vcc ó 12 Vcc ( power supply) Maximum curre	Sensor ent: 50 mA	AgroBee-L: Number Type Number	1 For potential-free contacts 3	
Туре	3 Vcc ó 12 Vcc ( power supply) Maximum curre	Sensor ent: 50 mA	AgroBee-L: Number Type Number Type	1 For potential-free contacts 3 Analog (16 bits)	

Environment		Box dimensions H2O	
Temperature	-10 °C a +60 °C	Height	150 mm
Moisture	< 95 %	Width	100 mm
Altitude	2000 m	Depth	70 mm
Pollution	Grade II	Weight (approx.)	0,4 Kg

CE

Dec	laration	of conformity	

This system conforms with the regulations and other regulatory documents in the following list:

Electrical safety	Low voltage directive 2014/35/EU	UNE-EN 62368-1:2014+AC:2015+AC1:2015+AC2:2015+AC:2017- 03+A11:2017 Audio and video equipment, information and communication technology. Part1: Security requirements.
Directive	ETSI EN 301 489-1 Ver. 2.1.1 – ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 1: Common technical requirements; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU and the essential requirements of article 6 of Directive 2014/30/EU.	
EMC 2014/53/EU		ETSI EN 301 489-3 Ver. 2.1.1 – ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 3: Specific conditions for Short-Range Devices (SRD) operating on frequencies between 9 kHz and 246 GHz; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.1(b) of Directive 2014/53/EU.



This symbol indicates that electrical and electronic controller must not be disposed of along with household waste at the end of its useful life. The product must be taken to the corresponding collection point for the recycling and proper treatment of electrical and electronic controller in accordance with national legislation.

# AgroBee-L System Operation

The AgroBee-L radio modules are used for the activation of valves and other irrigation elements, as well as the reading of sensors and meters. It is very low consumption and follows the LoRa radio modulation, which operates in the 868MHz, 433 MHz and 915 MHz, free bands, obtaining radio coverage of up to 2500 m between two points (depending on the orography).

Currently, they can be incorporated into the Agrónic 2500, Agrónic 4500, Agrónic 5500 and Agrónic Bit Con fertirrigation controllers.

The AgroBee-L system consists of a coordinator device (located in the Agrónic 2500, Agrónic 4500, Agrónic 5500 or Agrónic Bit Con controllers) and by field elements with different functions, depending on the model in question. This system does not include the use of repeater elements, so all modules must connect directly with their coordinator. The field modules manage their consumption by activating the communication in the precise time of the exchange; the rest of the time, they are asleep or attending to irrigation control.



Its low consumption allows it to operate with a solar panel integrated into the module and supercapacitors or battery (depending on the model). The solar panel stores the energy in the supercapacitors/battery, offering a long operational life. It is only necessary to replace batteries in models that include batteries instead of supercapacitors.

The maximum number of modules that an Agrónic controller can manage is 20 units in standard mode, which can be configured as modules of any of the available types. There is also a priority mode, which makes it possible for the modules to communicate more often: in this case, the number of modules (10) is halved.

To use AgroBee-L modules, it is necessary to assign their outputs to the sectors or generals of the controller in question, and their inputs to the digital, analog, or counters sensors.

The AgroBee-L system has the following features, among others:

- Operation in 868 MHz, 433 MHz and 915 MHz free bands.
- Availability of 13 communication channels plus 18 transmission modes, which allow for the operation of more than one network in the same area working on the same channel.
- Availability of network code, which allows for filtering the information of several networks configured with the same parameters.
- Self-adjustable communication rate according to the chosen transmission mode and the timing mode:
  - Timing in standard mode (60 –200"). Up to 20 modules.
  - Timing in priority mode (30 –100"). Up to 10 modules.
- Distances of up to 2500 metres between any module and its coordinator (depending on the orography).
- Manual actions, consultations, and configuration of the network number, channel, transmission mode, and communication timing (standard/priority):
  - In-situ: Through the Module Reader
  - From a distance: Through the Agrónic
- Battery/charge level reading and solar panel (if any).
- Reading SNR level (signal-to-noise ratio) reception in the module and coordinator (in [%]).
- Reading the status of the last 16 communications and remaining time indicator until the next communication.

# Installation

For the supply of radio controller, it is essential to have a coverage study. This study verifies the viability of the system according to the profile of the terrain, the location of the points to be controlled, and the distance between them. The study is delivered along with the controller offer.



#### INSTALLATION OF MODULES

The AgroBee-L modules have the antenna integrated into the module, so they are installed on top of a post.

For good radio communication, it is very important to place the modules in areas free of vegetation, walls, and metal structures.

The minimum recommended height to place the module is 4.5 metres from the ground. If there are tall crops (corn, trees, ...) this minimum height of the module must be increased by 2 metres above the height of the crop. In all cases, it must always have direct visibility with the controller's antenna that sends the information (coordinator located in Agrónic). The 7 metres of cable supplied already include these assembly recommendations.





To increase the coverage, and if necessary, the best system is made by raising the module as high as the length of the cable allows.

The modules with solar panels must be placed orienting the panel to the South (Northern hemisphere) or North (Southern hemisphere) to obtain the best solar coverage.

To keep it watertight, it is necessary to always leave the lid closed.

The modules can be fixed on a 35 to 45mm post by means of the support and flange, incorporated (Endless stainless steel clamp, measure 32-50mm DIN3017) in such a way that the cable output passes through the inside of the post.

It is recommended to install it on folding or extendible posts for easy access to the module.







Folding posts

## Inputs and Outputs

#### DIGITAL INPUTS

There is 1 digital input in an AgroBee-L H2O module, which can function either as a digital input or counter/rain gauge input. When the input is connected to a counter, the minimum time between pulses must be 0.1 seconds and an anti-bounce filter may be enabled in order to avoid accumulating undesired pulses. Maximum allowed distance between AgroBee-L module and a digital sensor or meter is 50m.

The digital input's wire connection is coloured Purple. The common wire input is the Grey-pink one.

#### ANALOG INPUTS

This model has up to 3 analog inputs for reading and managing a maximum of 3 soil water content sensors, which must all be of the same type and selected among: "Decagon 10HS", "Watermark 200SS-V", "Solfranc SF-S210", wet leaf sensors type "Decagon LWS", "Decagon EC-5", "Decagon GS-1" or "Meter Group TEROS-10". For said module, these inputs are the wires: A1-White, A2-Yellow, and A3-Blue, respectively. This module also has three common wires: Brown, Grey and Red. There is one for each sensor.

There are three cables for distributing power independently for each sensor: V1-Green, V2-Pink, and V3-Black.

#### IMPORTANT

To obtain the reading through the White-A1 wire (output of the sensor in question), the corresponding sensor must be fed through the Green-V1 wire. The same occurs with A2-V2, and A3-V3.

#### CONNECTION

Said module is provided with a cable tube that allows different connections to be made more easily without the need to access the interior of the module:

• H2O - 11-wire tube

The cables of the different tubes will come identified by colours and numbers. Connect them according to the following table according to their functionality.

			H2O
Wire colour ID		ID	Function (3 sensors + digital input)
	White	A1	Analog input sensor 1
	Brown	0V	Common Power Sensors
	Green	V1	Power supply sensor 1
	Yellow	A2	Analog input sensor 2
	Grey	0V	Common Power Sensors
	Pink	V2	Power supply sensor 2
	Blue	A3	Analog input sensor 3
	Red	0V	Common Power Sensors
	Black	V3	Power supply sensor 3
	Purple	D1	Digital Input 1
	Grey-pink	CD	Common input

Consult the H2O sensor manual for information about its installation.



To ensure the seal of the module's cable connections, it is recommended to use watertight terminals. The connection through these terminals must be made without stripping the cable's wires.

The 3M Scotchlok series (www.3m.com), ES Caps from TYCO Electronics (www.tycoelectronics.com), or Cellpack resin splicing and junction kits (www.cellpackiberica.com) can be used as connecting elements.

# Settings

ACRONIC

For any AgroBee-L module to enter the correct operating mode, you must have an Agrónic controller (Agrónic 2500, Agrónic 4500, Agrónic 5500 and Agrónic Bit Con) with the AgroBee-L option installed, which includes the internal coordinator and an antenna with 10 metres of cable. This can be verified by doing the following in the controller:



In the same way, a module must be configured to communicate with the Agrónic with which you want to associate it. To do this (if the module is not already configured at the factory) you must use the Module Reader (or Agronic Radio Reader, LAR) consisting of a screen and four keys, that is connected to the AgroBee-L module through the only connector visible on the inside.

A wireless module reader is also available that allows you to perform functions without the need for a cable. Consult the wireless AgroBee Reader manual to learn about the steps to link it to the controller. Press the  $\checkmark$  key to enter the main menu. Use the - and + keys to change the options within the menu. Use the  $\checkmark$  key to enter the selected menu option. Use the  $\checkmark$  key to return to the previous hierarchy's menu.

You will see the following options in the main menu:

- Consult controller
- Consult communications
- Consult digital and analog inputs
- Communication parameters
- Input-Output parameters
- Various parameters

**NOTE** Once the AgroBee-L module is linked with an Agrónic, all the consultations and parameters are accessible through the Agrónic.

### CONTROLLER QUERY OF AN AGROBEE-L MODULE

General query menu of the module, where the following parameters are displayed:

- Module and serial number:
  - Module: It refers to the module number (1 to 20) according to the established communication parameters. There can only be one same module number for each Agrónic.
  - Serial number: Information regarding the controller. It comes from the factory.
- Battery voltage and solar panel:
  - Vbat: Battery voltage:
    - · Panel+Supercapacitors: Maximum value: 3.4V; Minimum value: 2.2V
    - · Panel+Battery: Maximum value: 4.2V; Minimum value 3.4V
  - Vsol: Voltage of the solar panel

These same data can be viewed in the Agrónic by accessing "Consult - Communications - AgroBee," as you will see in the next section.

### CONSULT COMMUNICATIONS IN AN AGROBEE-L MODULE

Communication consultation menu of the module, where the following parameters are displayed:

• Transceiver: Type of emitter installed in the module. It tells you if the module works at 868MHz/433MHz or 915MHz

- RN2483 (868MHz/433MHz)
- RN2903 (915MHz)
- Band and transmission mode:
  - Band: 868MHz, 433MHz, 915MHz
  - Transmission Mode: 1 to 18 (mode 5 will be set by default)
- Consult parameters of the communication type:
  - Channel: 1 to 13
  - Network code: It is usually the associated Agrónic serial number
  - BW: Bandwidth of the radio modulation (125KHz, 250KHz, 500KHz). It is set according to the transmission mode chosen in the communication parameters.
  - Radio modulation factor: SF7, SF8,..., SF12. It is set according to the transmission mode chosen in the communication parameters.
  - Communication status:
    - · Status message:
      - Correct Communication
      - Network error
      - Communication error
      - Model error
      - Does not communicate
    - · Signal-Noise ratio of the last received message: Reliable communication if >40%.
  - Time until next radio emission: time in [s]
  - Status of the last 16 communications (the previous communications appear on the right side of the screen):
    - 1: It indicates that the emission has been made and the correct information received in the last communication
    - 0: Indicates that the radio emission has been made, but the correct data has not been received or no data has been received

Part of this information is available through the Agrónic by accessing "Consultation | Communications | AgroBee", where you can also see the query regarding the controller and the parameters of the communication.

CONSULT COMMUNICATIONS AgroBee-L 868 Status: Correct Timing: 60" Channel: 01 TX Mode: 05 Network code: 00001 CONSULT COMMUNICATIONS M01 (ns. 236) V1.00 Status: Correct (40") Level: 80% / 82% Vbat: 04.0 V Vsol: 05.8 V 111111111111111

#### CONSULT THE AGROBEE-L MODULE DIGITAL AND ANALOG INPUTS

Menu to check the status of digital inputs, counters, and H2O inputs. The information shown on the different screens is as follows:

- Check digital inputs: For each of the digital inputs available to the module in question, its status is shown either as '0' (open contact) or '1' (closed contact).
- See accumulated counter sensors: The total number of pulses detected will be displayed for each digital input configured as a counter sensor. If this entry is not configured as a counter, the text 'N-A' (Not-Activated) will appear.
- See instant flow rate (time between pulses): The time in [ms] between the last 2 pulses detected will be displayed for each digital input that is configured as a counter sensor. If this entry is not configured as a counter, the text 'N-A' (Not-Activated) will appear.
- Consult analog sensors: For each of the available analog inputs, the value read is displayed and expressed in [%] according to the type of input in question. If the analog input in question is not configured, the text 'N-A' (Not-Activated) will appear.
- Check the supply voltage of the analog sensors: The value of the supply voltage sent to the active analog sensors is displayed in [mV].

From the Agrónic, press the '1' key in the module's consultation screen on the Agrónic to view the analog/digital inputs.

Nomenclature used in these queries:

- EA analog input values in mV an in 4-20mA format. 4mA=800mV and 20mA=4000mV. The number next to EA indicates the sensor number.
- ED status of digital inputs. With a '1' indicating that the contact is closed and a '0,' that it is open.
- Vsen value of the voltage in mV supplied to the sensors.

AgroBee-L 02 H2O EA1: 963 EA2: 963 EA3: 963 Vsen: 12125 ED: 1

#### COMMUNICATION PARAMETERS OF AN AGROBEE-L MODULE

The following parameters are in the Communication Parameters menu of the Module Reader, which allow you to establish the communication of a certain AgroBee-L module with a controller:

- Module Module number in the network. It is used to distinguish all modules that may be associated with an Agrónic. The module number cannot be repeated in the same Agrónic:
  - 1 to 20 (timing in normal mode)
  - 1 to 10 (timing in priority mode)
- Band Frequency Band:
  - 868MHz or 915MHz (default value, depending on the model)
  - 433MHz (only available in models that also support 868MHz band)
- Channel Frequency channel number:
  - 1 to 13 (independent from the band used)
- TX Mode Transmission method. Set the radio's transmission and reception parameters.
  - 1 to 18 (mode 5 set by default):
    - · Mode 1: The shortest coverage length permitting the lowest lag time
    - $\cdot$  Mode 18: The greatest coverage length, but with the most lag time
- Timing 2 timing modes:
  - Normal mode (recommended): It is automatically set according to the chosen transmission mode, but always includes the communication of up to 20 modules. Value between 60" and 200".
  - Priority mode: It is automatically set according to the chosen transmission mode and includes the communication of up to 10 modules. Value between 30" and 100".
- Network code It differentiates the information from several controllers with the same communication parameters (band, channel, and transmission mode). The Agrónic serial number is assigned by default.

To modify any of the sub-menu's fields, press  $\checkmark$ . The screen will display that you are in edit mode. Use the **-** and **+** keys to set the desired value. Confirm with  $\checkmark$  or dismiss with  $\checkmark$  Press  $\checkmark$  to exit the menu and access the previous hierarchy's menu, which will change the parameters and let them take effect.

For an AgroBee-L module to establish communication with a certain Agrónic, you must set, through the reader, the parameters that have just been described, according to those established in the Agrónic in question. In the Agrónic, you can modify these parameters in 'Parameters |Installer|Communications|AgroBee|Coordinator': AgroBee-L Channel: 01 Network code: 00001 Timing: standard Band: 868MHz TX Mode: 05 In the Input-Output Parameters menu of the Module Reader, you can set the parameters of the AgroBee-L module's different inputs and outputs, available through the following sub-menu:

- Digital Inputs Configuration of digital sensors or counters.
  - Configuration of functions of each of the available digital inputs:
    - Digital input
    - $\cdot$  Counter
  - Anti-bounce filter: (default 300 ms) only applicable when digital input is setup as counter. A filter time between 0.0" and 10.0" can be fixed, and it represents the minimum time that a contact must be closed to count a new pulse. Same time is considered for all the inputs of the module. This filter time can only be setup by using the Module Reader (it cannot be setup from the programmer to which this module is linked).
- Sensors Configuration of analog sensors:
  - S1: Active / Not Active
  - S2: Active / Not Active
  - S3: Active / Not Active
  - Sensor type: 10HS-Decagon, 200SS-V
     Watermark, SF-S10 Solfranc, LWS Decagon,
     EC-5 Decagon, GS-1 Decagon, TEROS-10
     Meter Group
  - Type of soil: The following table shows the different soil possibilities according to the type of sensor.

Table on terrain selection according to sensor				
Sensor	Terrain mineral	Terrain mantillo		
10HS Decagon	х	х		
200SS-V Watermark	х			
SF-S10 Solfranc	х			
LWS Decagon	х			
EC-5 Decagon	х	х		
GS-1 Decagon	х	х		
TEROS-10 Meter Group	х	х		

- Reading rate: 5min (default), 10min, 20min.

To modify any of the parameter's fields, press  $\checkmark$ . The screen will display that you are in edit mode. Use the - and + keys to set the desired value. Confirm with  $\checkmark$  or dismiss with  $\checkmark_{C}$  Press  $\circlearrowright_{C}$  to exit the menu and access the previous hierarchy's menu, which will change the parameters and let them take effect.

#### IMPORTANT

The detailed input/output parameters can also be entered in the Agrónic. In this case, the module will receive the parameters upon communicating with it. If not, and these parameters have been changed through the Module Reader in the same module, the Agrónic will receive and update said parameters.

To modify these parameters from the Agrónic, you must access "Parameters – Installer – Communications – AgroBee – Module." Specify the module number in the Agrónic network in question, after which you will see the following screens to modify the detailed parameters (see the Agrónic manual in question for more details).

AgroBee-L 01 Sensor: [10HS Decagon]..[GS1 Decagon] Terrain: [Mineral][Mulch] Timing: 5' S1:[si/no] S2:[si/no] S3:[si/no]

#### ANALOG H20 SENSOR FORMAT

The possibility of selecting one or another type of terrain is determined by the manufacturer of each one of the standardized sensors. Being able to make this selection allows the H2O module to perform one process or the other with the sensor readings, as recommended by the manufacturer:

10HS Decagon The sensor gives us the voltage x [mV] that the H2O module turns into VWC
 [%] (Volumetric Water Content or Ground Water Content) by the following expression: VWC
 [%] = fx5+ex4+dx3+cx2+bx+a , and according to the type of terrain:

– Mineral:	– Mulch:	10HS sensor f	10HS sensor format	
<ul> <li>b = +6.69E-3</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>b = -1.23E-4</li> </ul>	Parameter	Default value	
• c = -7.37E-6	• c = +7.05E-7	No. of integers	2	
· d = +2.97E-9	$\cdot d = 0$	No. of decimals	1	
• e=0	• e=0	Sign	no	
$\cdot f = 0$	$\cdot f = 0$ $\cdot f = 0$	Units	%	
	Calibration Point 1			
	Value real	800 mV		
		Logical value	00.0 %	
		Calibration Point 2		
		Value real	4000 mV	
		Logical value	50.0 %	

The value in [%] is converted, by the module itself, to the standard 4-20 mA (800-4000 mV) format, so you must select the suitable data format in the controller in question according to the type of sensor and type of terrain selected. Regarding the Agrónic, the controller itself already selects the most suitable format when registering a sensor corresponding to an H2O module. It is the user's responsibility to change the data that characterize this format.

#### 200SS-V Watermark It is composed of 3 elements:

- 200SS, Watermark sensor
- 200SS-VA, output adaptor
- 200TS, temperature sensor, it is advisable to compensate the temperature reading

The sensor gives you a voltage x[mV] between 0 and 2800 mV. The value 0 mV corresponds to 0 cb and 2800 mV corresponds to 239 cb, following a linear relationship. This value in cbar is converted by the module to 4-20 mA format, so it will deliver a voltage between 800 and 4000 mV to the Agrónic. In this case, the default format selected by the Agrónic, and, according to the manufacturer, suitable for any type of mineral soil, is shown in the following table.

200SS-V sensor format			
Parameter	Default value		
No. of integers	3		
No. of decimals	1		
Sign	no		
Units	cbars		
Calibration Point 1			
Value real	800 mV		
Logical value	000.0 cbars		
Calibration Point 2			
Value real	4000 mV		
Logical value	239.0 cbars		

PHYTOS-31 Meter Group This sensor for the measurement of leaf wetness (LWS) gives us a value between 10% and 50% of its supply voltage. The H2O module delivers a supply voltage of 5V, so the value that this sensor will deliver will oscillate between 500 mV (0%) and 2500 mV (100%). This value in % is converted by the module to 4-20 mA format, so it will deliver a voltage between 800 and 4000 mV to the Agrónic.

PHYTOS-31 sensor format				
Parameter	Default value			
No. of integers	3			
No. of decimals	0			
Sign	no			
Units	%			
Calibration Point 1				
Value real	800 mV			
Logical value	000 %			
Calibration Point 2				
Value real	4000 mV			
Logical value	100 %			

• SF-S10 Solfranc The sensor gives you a voltage x[mV] between 100 mV and 2200 mV. The value 0 mV corresponds to 0% and 2200 mV corresponds to 50%, following a linear relationship. This value is converted by the module to the following format to be delivered to the controller (default format, which can be changed by the user under his or her own responsibility):

SF-S10 sensor format			
Parameter	Default value		
No. of integers	2		
No. of decimals	1		
Sign	no		
Units	%		
Calibration Point 1			
Value real	800 mV		
Logical value	00.0 %		
Calibration Point 2			
Value real	2324 mV		
Logical value	10.0 %		
Calibration Point 3			
Value real	4000 mV		
Logical value	50.0 %		

EC-5 Decagon The sensor gives us the voltage x [mV] that the H2O module turns into VWC [%] (Volumetric Water Content or Ground Water Content) by the following expression: VWC [%] = bx+a, and according to the type of terrain:

– Mineral:	– Mulch:
· a = -0.48	· a = -0.696
· b = +11.605E-4	· b = +17.749E-4

The value in [%] is converted, by the module itself, to the standard 4-20 mA (800-4000 mV) format, so you must select the suitable data format in the controller in question according to the type of sensor and type of terrain selected. In the case of the Agrónic, the controller itself already selects the most suitable format when registering a sensor corresponding to an H2O module. It is the user's responsibility to change the data that characterize this format.

EC-5 sensor format				
Parameter	Default value			
No. of integers	3			
No. of decimals	1			
Sign	no			
Units	%			
Calibration point 1				
Real value	800 mV			
Logical value	00.0 %			
Calibration point 2				
Real value	4000 mV			
Logical value	100.0 %			

- GS-1 Decagon The sensor gives you the voltage x[mV] that the H2O module turns into VWC [%] (Volumetric Water Content) through the following expression: VWC [%] = bx+a, and according to the type of terrain:
  - Mineral:
    - $\cdot a = -0.554$
    - b = +4.94F-4
- Mulch:

- · a = -0.611 • b = +5.91F-4

GS-1 sensor for	mat
Parameter	Default value
No. of integers	2
No. of decimals	1
Sign	no
Units	%
Calibration Point 1	
Value real	800 mV
Logical value	00.0 %
Calibration Point 2	
Value real	4000 mV
Logical value	57.0 %

The value in [%] is converted, by the module itself, to the standard 4-20 mA (800-4000 mV) format, so you must select the suitable data format in the controller in question according to the type of sensor and type of terrain selected. Regarding the Agrónic, the controller itself already selects the most suitable format when registering a sensor corresponding to an H2O module. It is the user's responsibility to change the data that characterize this format.

- TEROS-10 Meter Group The sensor gives you the voltage x[mV] that the H2O module turns into VWC [%] (Volumetric Water Content) through the following expression: VWC [%] = dx3+cx2+bx+a, and according to the type of terrain:
  - Mineral: - Mulch:
    - a = -2.154 · a = -2.683
    - b = +3.898E-3 • b = +4.868E-3
    - $\cdot$  c = -2.278E-6 • c = -2.731E-6
    - $\cdot$  d = +4.824E-10  $\cdot$  d = +5.439E-10

TEROS-10 sensor 1	format
Parameter	Default value
No. of integers	2
No. of decimals	1
Sign	no
Units	%
Calibration Point 1	
Value real	800 mV
Logical value	00.0 %
Calibration Point 2	
Value real	4000 mV
Logical value	70.0 %

The value in [%] is converted, by the module itself, to the standard 4-20 mA (800-4000 mV) format, so you must select the suitable data format in the controller in question according to the type of sensor and type of terrain selected. In the case of the Agrónic, the controller itself already selects the most suitable format when registering a sensor corresponding to an H2O module. It is the user's responsibility to change the data that characterize this format.

In the Various Parameters menu of the Module Reader, you can select the language among Spanish, Catalan, English, French, Italian, and Portuguese.

From this menu, you can also can completely erase the module's data, restoring it to factory settings, maintaining the serial number and the model.

# Battery levels and radio signal/quality

You have already seen how to consult the different parameters of an AgroBee-L module through the Module Reader. In the Agronic to which the AgroBee-L module is associated, it also shows the battery information and radio link performance of said module.

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The information provided is:

- Module number, serial number, and firmware version
- Signal level received by the Agrónic and the module. It is displayed in % and indicates the level of the signal-to-noise ratio.
- Advisable/recommended value > 40%
- Vbat: Battery level in mV:
  - Module with panel + supercapacitors: VBat max = 3.4 V; VBat min = 2.2 V.
- VSol: Voltage level delivered by the solar panel.

# Estimated battery life

Battery life with standard commun cation rate mode 5: 60 seconds	i-
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Panel + Supercapacitors <sup>(1)</sup>	< 3 days

(1): The duration of the battery with its maximum charge and without recharging. This case can occur when the solar panel does not recharge the battery (with clouds or fog).

Battery life is approximate since there are several factors that can affect consumption. Frequent reading of digital sensors (when counters are configured) shortens the duration. Likewise, if a priority mode rate is set, the battery life will decrease.

Conversely, for the H2O model, if a higher sensor reading rate is selected, the battery life will increase.

**Battery replacement** you do not need to replace any battery in any case, since the power supply of the modules is based on a system of supercapacitors.

#### TURNING OFF THE CONTROLLER

If a module does not find the Agronic with which it communicates, said module will follow its own course, and will send data every certain time, according to the established timing. However, in order to avoid possible collisions and/or interferences, the module will slightly offset the pre-established communication time. The consumption of an AgroBee-L module is practically unchanged due to the fact that it is not connected to any Agrónic.

# Updating the AgroBee-L module software

Whenever there is a new software version for an AgroBee-L module, the user can update it. To do this, you must perform the following steps:

- Have a computer with an Internet connection and a USB to miniUSB cable.
- Download the program "AgronicUpg" + "drivers" + update file (dfu) by typing this address bit.ly/ actualizaragronic into the computer's browser.
- Select and download the AgroBee-L folder.
- Go to the module and turn it off using the switch.
- Place the other switch inside the module in the recording position (by default, it is in the 'Normal' position).
- Connect the USB to the computer and the miniUSB to the module.
- Start up the module using the ON/OFF switch.



• On the computer, run the program "AgronicUpg". If you do not see the "Internal Flash" line on the screen as

seen in the image, you must install the drivers. If you already have the drivers installed, skip to the next step.

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- To install the drivers, go to the files you have downloaded and select the folder that corresponds to your Windows version. Run the file "dpinst\_" and follow the steps. If you use Windows XP, call Progrés to help you with the installation.
- Press the "Choose file" button and select the file "xxx. dfu". Once loaded, press the "Update" button and wait for the process to finish.
- Once the process is finished, the module is updated.
- To finish, turn off the module, disconnect the miniUSB cable, and place the second switch in the 'Normal' position.
- Finally, the module can be started up again.

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