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### Gen 3

# Lab Grade Gold ORP Probe

Reads

Range -2000mV - 2000mV

Accuracy +/- 1mV

Response time 95% in 1s

Temperature range °C 1 – 99 °C

Sensing element Gold

Max pressure 100 PSI

Max depth **70m (230 ft)** 

Connector Male SMA / Male BNC

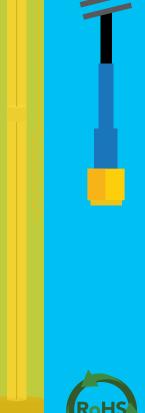
(Optional)

Cable length 1 meter

Internal temperature sensor No

Time before recalibration ~1 Year

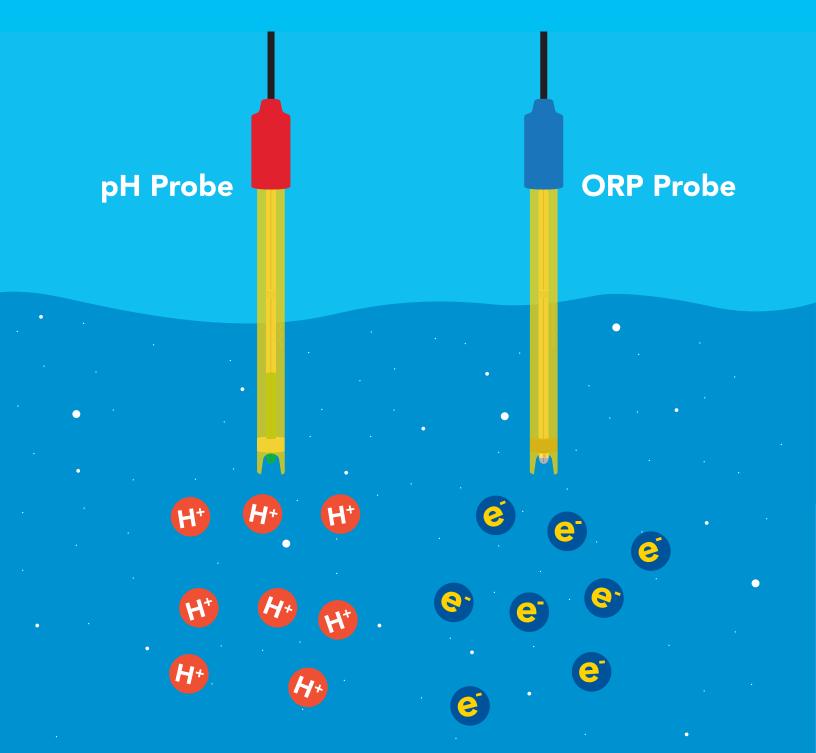
<u>Life expectancy</u> ~2 Years



### Operating principle

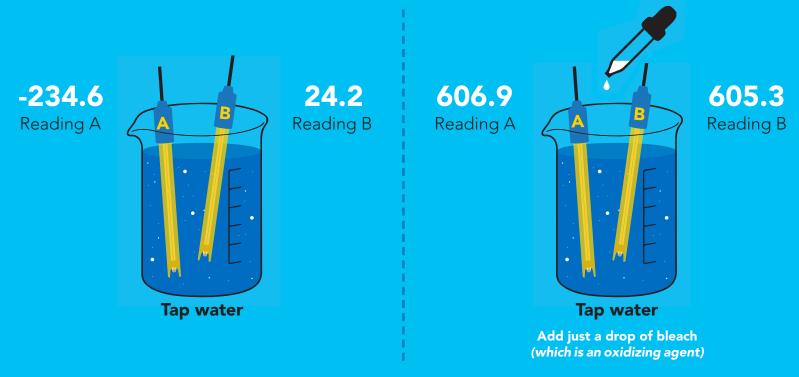
ORP stands for **oxidation/reduction potential**. Oxidation is the loss of electrons and reduction is the gain of electrons. The output of the probe is represented in millivolts and can be positive or negative.

Just like a pH probe measures hydrogen ion activity in a liquid; an ORP probe measures electron activity in a liquid. The ORP readings represents how strongly electrons are transferred to or from substances in a liquid. Keeping in mind that the readings do not indicate the amount of electrons available for transfer.



When reading the ORP of a liquid that has very few electrons available for transfer ORP readings can appear to be inconsistent.

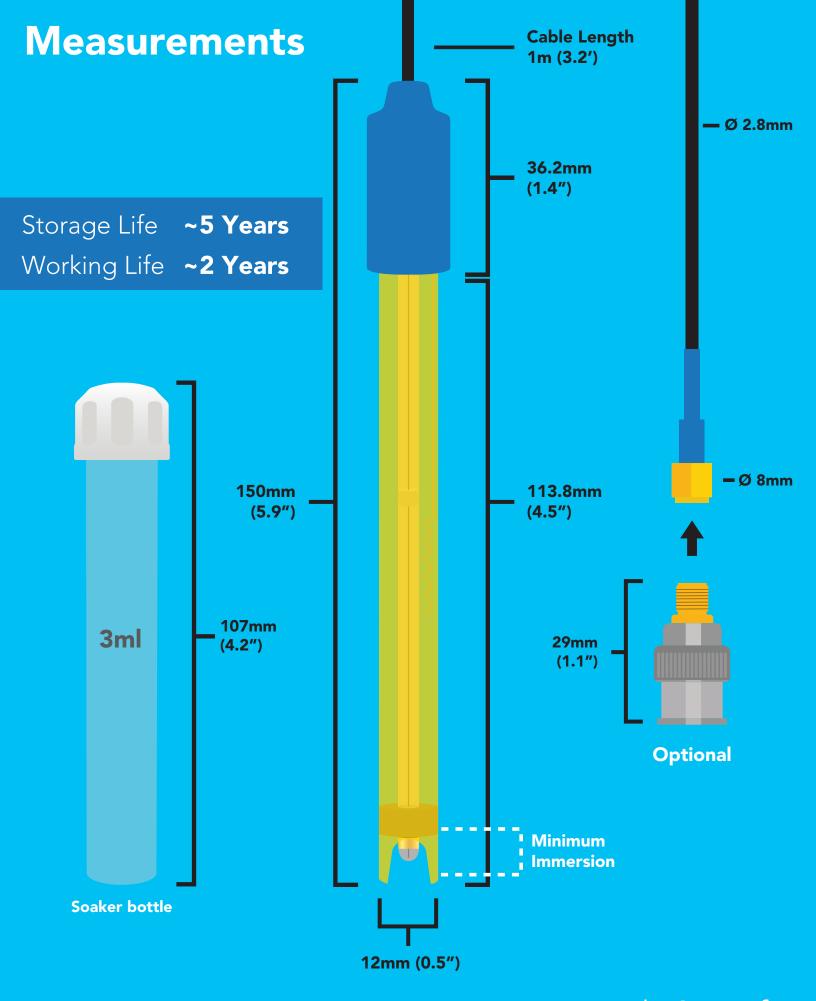
The water is unreactive and has only trace amounts of electron movement. These readings are equivalent to the readings you see with an unconnected multimeter.



This ORP probe has a gold catalyst tip that is connected to a silver wire, surrounded by silver chloride. That silver wire is then connected to a KCL reference solution. Because gold is an unreactive metal it can "silently observe" the electron activity of the liquid without becoming apart of whatever reaction is occurring in the liquid.







### **NSF/ANSI 51 Compliant**

### **Food Safe**

Atlas Scientific LLC, hereby certifies that,



Complies with NSF/ANSI Standard 51

ABS—

-Polyethylene

— Titanium Nitride

**PVC** 

NSF-51 Compliant

ABS

NSF-51 Compliant

Gold

NSF-51 Compliant

Glass
NSF-51 Compliant

Polyethylene
NSF-51 Compliant

Polycarbonate
NSF-51 Compliant

Silicone Rubber
NSF-51 Compliant

Titanium Nitride
NSF-51 Compliant

Polycarbonate

Silicone Rubber

— Glass

### **Specifications**

Max depth 70m (230')
Cable length 1 meter
Weight 45 grams

Speed of response 95% in 1 second

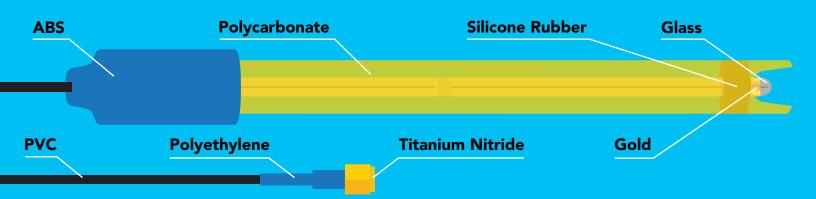
Dimensions 12mm x 150mm (0.5" x 6")

SMA connector Male

Sterilization Chemical only

Food Safe Yes

#### **Materials**



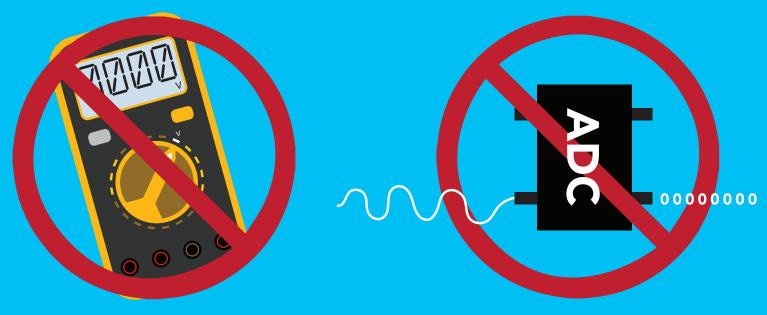
This ORP probe can be fully submerged in fresh or salt water, up to the SMA connector indefinitely.

### Typical applications

- Standard lab use
- Field use
- Soil
- Samples containing heavy metals
- Hydroponics / aquaponics
- Beer, wine, alcohol, and food production



An ORP probe is a passive device that detects a current generated from the oxidation or reduction chemical substances in water. This current (which can be positive or negative) is very weak and cannot be detected with a multimeter, or an analog to digital converter.



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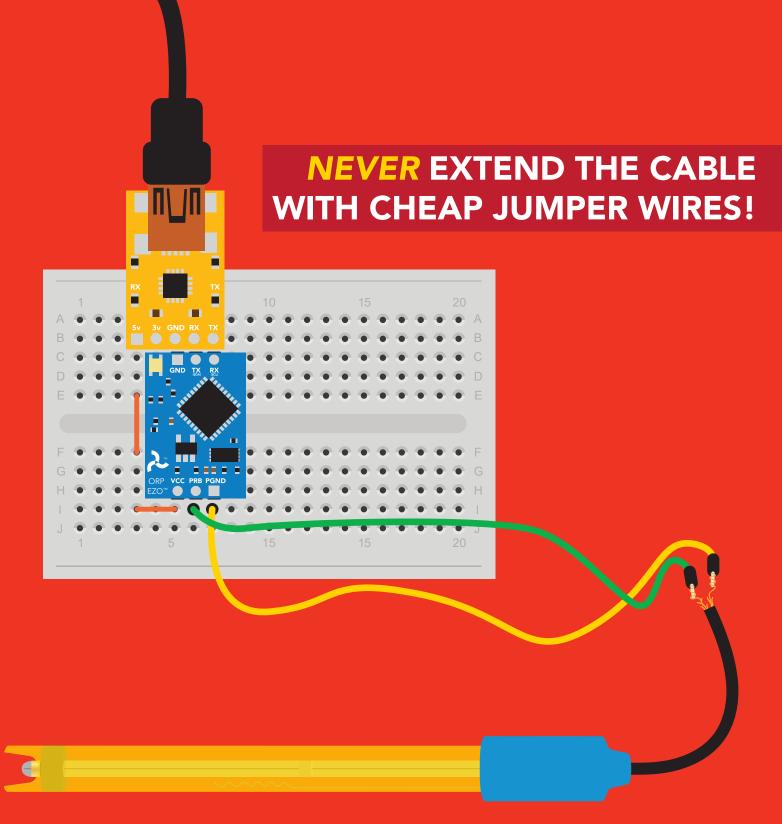
## How often do you need to recalibrate an ORP probe?

Because every use case is different, there is no set schedule for recalibration.

If you are using your probe in a fish tank, a hydroponic system or any environment that has generally weak levels of chemical reactions you will only need to recalibrate your probe once per year for the first 2 years. After that every ~6 months.

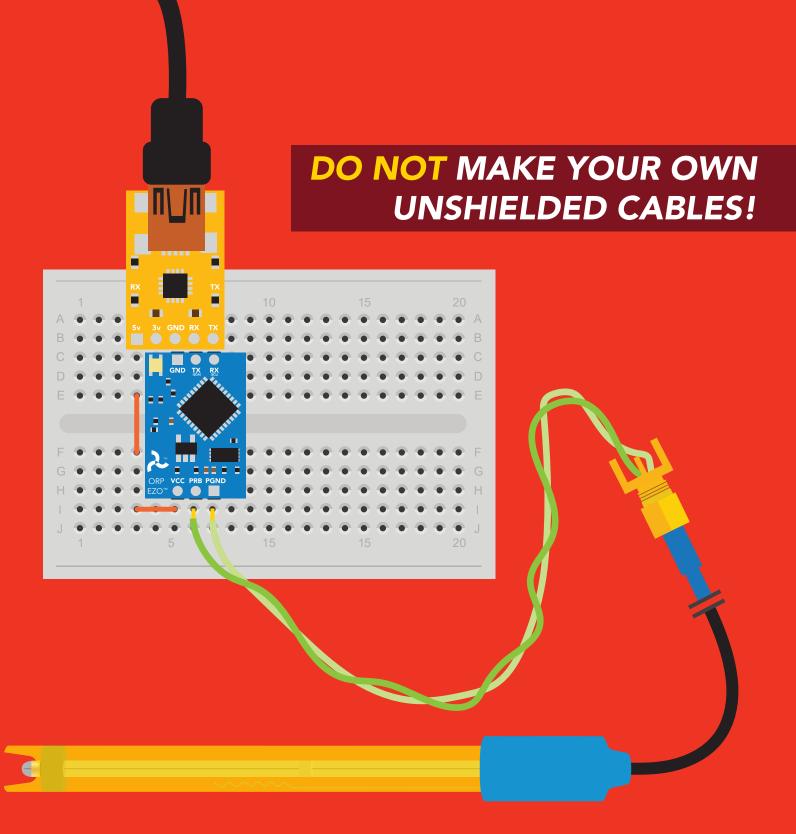
If you are using the ORP probe in batch chemical manufacturing, industrial process, or in a solution that is known to have strong chemical reactions, then calibration should be done monthly or in extreme cases after each batch.





### DO NOT CUT THE PROBE CABLE WITHOUT REFERING TO THIS DOCUMENT!





**ONLY USE SHIELDED CABLES.** 

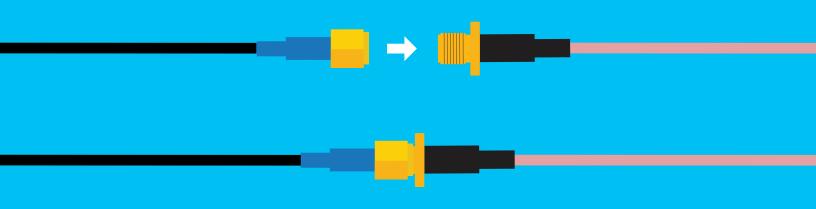


### Extending the probe cable length

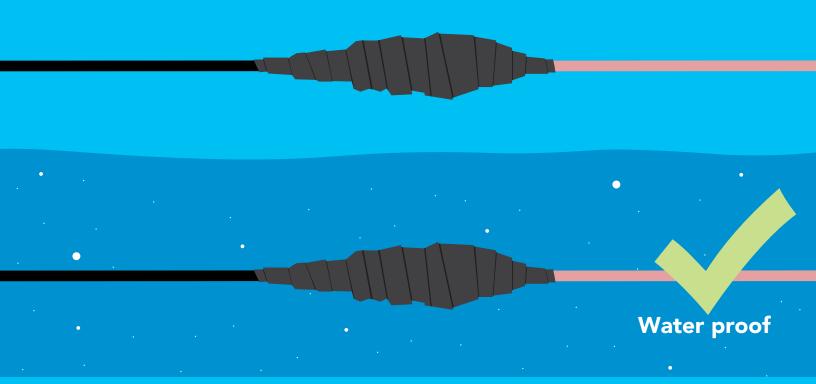
You can extend the cable to greater than 100 meters with no loss of signal. Atlas Scientific has tested up to 300 meters without a problem, however you run the risk of turning your ORP probe into an antennae, picking up noise along the length of your cable.

If you want to extend your cable, we recommend that you use proper isolation, such as the Basic EZO M Inline Voltage Isolator, or an i2 InterLink. Be sure to calibrate your

Extending a probe cable can be easily done with our **5MA Extension Cables**. Simply connect the SMA end of the probe to the Extension cable, and you are all set.



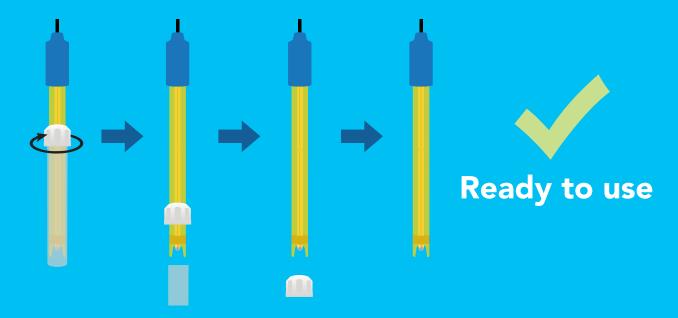
If you need to water proof a SMA connection, we highly recommend using a product like Coax-Seal to safely cover and prevent any water damage that may occur.



### Helpful operating tips

ORP probes must stay wet and cannot be allowed to dry out, this is why every ORP probe is shipped in a plastic soaker bottle containing ORP probe storage solution. The probe should remain in the bottle until it is used. If the probe is used infrequently, the bottle and its solution should be saved and the probe stored inside.

To remove the soaker bottle from the probe, hold the soaker bottle by the cap and turn the bottle until it separates from the cap; Then slide the cap off.



speed of response.





### **Probe cleaning**

Coating of the ORP bulb can lead to erroneous readings including shortened span. The type of coating will determine the cleaning technique. Soft coatings can be removed by vigorous stirring or by the use of a squirt bottle. Organic chemical, or hard coatings, acid (HCl) soak for a few minutes, often removes many coatings. Do not use abrasive materials on the ORP probe.



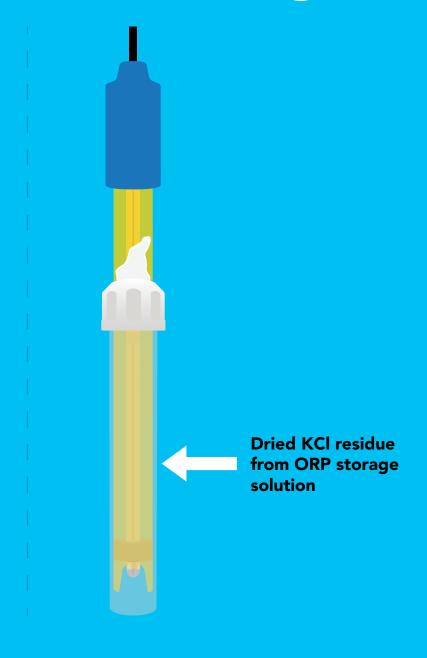


### Today 1980's



**Despite appearances** THE KC1 CREEP is really quite harmless.

The white crystals you may find on your electrode are formed by potassium chloride (KCl) from the electrode filling solution. Rinse the KCl from the electrode with distilled water and proceed as usual.



### Decades later... KCI continues to behave the same way.

If you encounter the "KCI CREEP" rinse off your probe with water, and carry on. Your probe is not damaged.

