

# NeuLog Relative Humidity logger sensor NUL-207

The NeuLog relative humidity sensor can be used for any science experiment which requires an accurate relative humidity reading such as in the fields of Biology, Physiology, Exercise Science, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Earth Science, Weather Science, Botany, Entomology, etc.

The sensor comes pre-calibrated so you can start experimentation right out of the box using this guide.

Just a few of the thousands of possible experiments that can be performed with the NUL-207 sensors are: perspiration, photosynthesis rates, insect behavior, water vapor emitting chemical reactions, ecological studies, animal behavior and weather patterns.

Relative humidity is a measurement which examines the ratio of water vapor present in the air compared with the maximum amount of water vapor that the air can hold for a specific temperature.

 Data is presented as a percentage which is the ratio of the amount of water vapor in the air versus the maximum amount that could be allowed at a given temperature.

## Quick start procedure:

#### PC or Mac Computer

#### Materials needed:

- NUL-207 Relative Humidity Sensor
- USB-200 USB Module
- USB to mini USB cable (which comes with the USB-200)

Your relative humidity sensor needs to be connected to a USB-200 module. The USB-200 module then connects to a computer via a USB to mini-USB cable. Please note that you cannot plug the relative humidity sensor directly into the computer.

Resident PC software and browser based application can be downloaded for free at <a href="https://www.neulog.com/Download/SoftwareandApplication.aspx">www.neulog.com/Download/SoftwareandApplication.aspx</a> as well as a full software user guide.

**Note:** Make sure not to download and install both types of software they will conflict on the computer.

#### Procedure:

- Install the NeuLog software.
- 2. Connect the USB-200 module to the PC or Mac.
- Connect the relative humidity sensor to the USB-200 module (they directly plug together). Please note no calibration is required for this sensor.
- Open the NeuLog software.
- 5. Once a relative humidity sensor logo appears on the left side of the screen the probe has been automatically identified and you can begin experimentation.
- If the relative humidity sensor is not automatically identified, click the "Search for sensors" icon to find the sensor.
- 7. Select the "On-line experiment" button; this will open a graph below.
- 8. Click on the "Module setup" button located on the relative humidity sensor icon in the module window to change the sensor's settings if need be.
- Click on the experiment set up button to change the experiment settings if need be (experiment duration for example).
- The relative humidity sensor will give a live reading in the box to the left of the screen while plugged in.
- 11. To run an experiment and collect data click "Run experiment".
- 12. To end data collection early, click "Stop experiment".

## Tablet, smart phone device

#### Materials needed:

- NUL-207 Relative Humidity Sensor
- WiFi-201 WiFi Module
- BAT-200 Battery Module

Your relative humidity sensor needs to be connected to a WiFi-201 module. The WiFi-201 module will create a closed NeuLog WiFi network which will stream the NeuLog data to the device of your choosing. Once your device is wirelessly connected to the NeuLog network you can run experiments and collect data through a browser of your choosing.



#### Procedure:

- Although not required, we recommend plugging the BAT-200 to an outlet using a USB to mini USB charger (such as a typical cell phone charger). The WiFi-201 module will run for 15-75 minutes (depending on the sensor) without being plugged in.
- The WiFi-201 can be powered directly using a mini to USB cord and plugging it
  into your computer or a wall charger. Please note this function is only available
  on WiFi units with the USB icon on the cover.
- For further WiFi-201 instructions or the WiFi-201 quick start guide please visit: <u>www.neulog.com/Download/SoftwareandApplication.aspx</u>
   The WiFi-201 indicator lights will flash; take no action until the LED to the far left turns blue: this can take up to one minute.
- Take your tablet or smart phone, go to the Wi-Fi settings and select the Neulog network which matches the WiFi Module ID found on the back of the WiFi-201 device. (NeuLogXXXX for example).
- 5. Give your device about 20 seconds to connect to the WiFi-201.
- Once the device is connected, go to your browser and type the website wifi201.com into the URL bar, then wait for 30-60 seconds.
- 7. You will see a "Control mode" icon in the browser, click on this icon.
- 8. The browser will then load a new screen and begin to auto detect the sensor(s); this can take a minute. (You can stop the search when the sensor is found.)
- 9. If the browser does not auto detect the sensor(s), select "Search for sensors".
- Once the sensor is found you will see an icon on the left side of the screen for the relative humidity sensor. The icon will display data in real time.
- 11. To set the relative humidity sensor's settings, click on "Module setup" button located on the relative humidity sensor icon on the left side of your screen.
- 12. To change the experimental settings click the "Experiment setup" button (experiment duration for example).
- 13. To run an experiment and collect data click "Run experiment".
- 14. If you have a newer generation WiFi (with the USB icon on the cover) the WiFi-201 can be used as a USB-200, meaning you can tether the probes directly to the computer using the WiFi-201. To engage operation in this fashion, press 3 times on the panel key. Repeating this operation will return the unit to WiFi mode.

#### Operation with NeuLog viewer

#### Materials needed:

- NUL-207 Relative Humidity Sensor
- VIEW-101 Graphic Display Module

BAT-200 Battery Module

#### Procedure:

- 1. Connect the relative humidity sensor to the left side of the viewer.
- 2. Connect the BAT-200 module to the right side of the viewer.
- The VIEW-101 will auto detect the sensor and you will see it appear on the left side of the screen.
- 4. Once the sensor appears, it will be monitoring data in real time.
- 5. To run an experiment and collect data, click the run button (little green person).

# Off-line experiments

(Off-line experiments are for when you do not have a sensor connected directly to a computer, tablet, smartphone, or NeuLog viewer).

#### Materials needed:

- NUL-207 Relative Humidity Sensor
- BAT-200 Battery Module

#### Materials needed to configure your offline experiment:

- USB-200 Module, WiFi-201 module or VIEW-101 Module.
- USB to mini USB cable (included with the USB-200 module)

## Procedure:

- Connect the relative humidity sensor directly to the left side of a charged BAT-200 module.
- When ready to collect data, press the "Start/Stop" button on the relative humidity sensor; a red light will turn on for the duration of the experiment.
- To change the experiment settings, first connect to your chosen device (PC, Mac, tablet, smart device) and select the "Module setup" button. (For more information on how to change the experiment settings view the quick start procedure section for your chosen device in this document.)
- After the experiment has concluded (when the "Start/Stop" button is pressed again or the data collection period ends) connect the sensor to your chosen device (you can find full instructions in each device's quick start procedure section).



- 5. Open the NeuLog software.
- 6. Click the "Off-line experiment" button.
- 7. Click the "Load data from sensors" button.
- 8. Select which experimental data to upload (5 experimental runs can be stored at one time on the NUL-207 relative humidity sensor).

# Restoring sensor's factory default settings:

#### Procedure:

- 1. Connect the USB-200 to a PC, Mac, tablet, or smart device.
- Connect the relative humidity sensor to a USB-200 module (they directly plug together). Please note no calibration is required for this sensor.
- 3. Open the NeuLog software.
- 4. Click the "Tools" icon.
- Click "Restore sensor's factory defaults" icon.
- 6. If prompted to clear the graph, click either the "Off-line experiment" or "On-line experiment" button (whichever you are using).
- 7. Click "Clear experiment results".
- Resume from step 4.

## Included with sensor:

NeuLog NUL-207 Relative Humidity Sensor guide (this document).

| Sensor specifications     |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
|                           | Relative humidity level |
| Range and operation modes | 0 to 100% RH            |
| ADC resolution            | 16 bit digital          |
| Accuracy                  | ± 5% RH                 |
| Resolution                | 0.1%                    |
| Max sample rate (S/sec)   | 100                     |

# Sensor features:

- · Fully digital data.
- Rugged plastic ergonomic case.
- Push button switch for Start/Stop experiments in off line mode.
- LED indicator of experiment status (blinks while collecting data).
- Pre-calibrated sensing equipment.

Note: NeuLog products are intended for educational use.

# Videos and experiment examples:

- Videos, literature and other probes can be found at www.NeuLog.com
- http://www.neulog.com/Products/Relativehumidityloggersensor.aspx
- Thermoregulation and Perspiration 
  <a href="http://www.neulog.com/Portals/3/Users/Experiment">http://www.neulog.com/Portals/3/Users/Experiment</a> B-9 Thermoregulation and
  Perspiration Ver 3.2.4.pdf

## Technical background:

The philosophy behind NeuLog's plug and play technology is based on each sensor's ability to store its own data due to an internal flash memory chip and micro-controller in each plastic NeuLog body. This technology allows the sensor to collect and then store the digital data in the correct scientific units (°C, °F, Lux, %, ppm, for example).

The sensor is pre-calibrated at the factory. The built-in software in the logger can be upgraded for free at any time using the provided firmware update.

The relative humidity sensor's probe houses a capacitive polymer which reacts with water vapor present in the air. The reaction with the polymer produces a voltage which is relative to the concentration of water vapor in the air.



## Maintenance and storage:

- Never submerge the NeuLog plastic body in any liquid.
- Do not allow liquid into the relative humidity sensor's body.
- After use, gently wipe away any foreign material from the relative humidity sensor.
- Store in a box at room temperature out of direct sunlight.

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# Warranty:

We promise to deliver our sensor free of defects in materials and workmanship. The warranty is for a period of 3 years from the date of purchase and does not cover damage of the product caused by improper use, abuse, or incorrect storage. Sensors with a shelf life such as ion selective probes have a warranty of 1 year. Should you need to act upon the warranty, please contact your distributor. Your sensor will be repaired or replaced.

# Thank you for using NeuLog!



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