

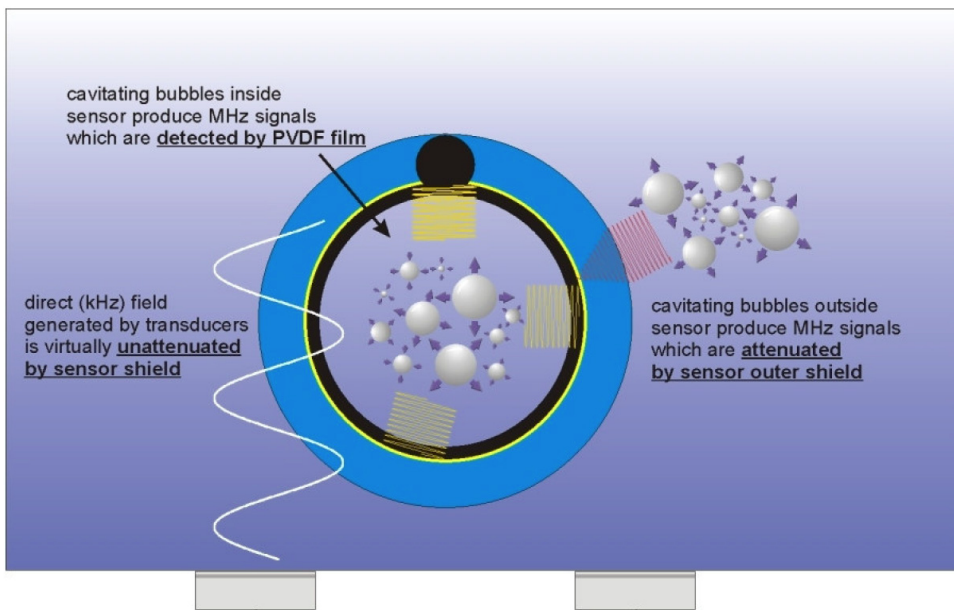
## Acoustic Cavitation Meter (Preliminary)

### *CaviMeter™ and CaviSensor*

The CaviMeter™ was developed by the National Physical Laboratory (NPL) to characterize the acoustic emissions generated by cavitation, or the growth, contraction, and collapse of micro-bubbles (or cavities) within a liquid media in response to a driving ultrasonic field. The energy from the implosion of a cavity is sufficient to overcome particle adhesion forces and hence is used for ultrasonic cleaning and other sonoprocessing applications. Excessive cavitation energy can also damage the surface of a substrate, which is why a measurement instrument such as the CaviMeter™ is essential to develop and control a process window.

### Applications

- R&D acoustic measurements up to 150 kHz to determine the cavitation activity in cleaning vessels, sonoprocessing systems, and medical ultrasound devices such as HIFU systems
- Differentiate between the level of inertial cavitation intensity and direct field pressure
- Routinely spot check the acoustic field of cleaning tank for process control monitoring



**Schematic Representation of CaviSensor Operation**



**CaviMeter™ and CaviSensor**

## Technical Specifications

### CaviSensor

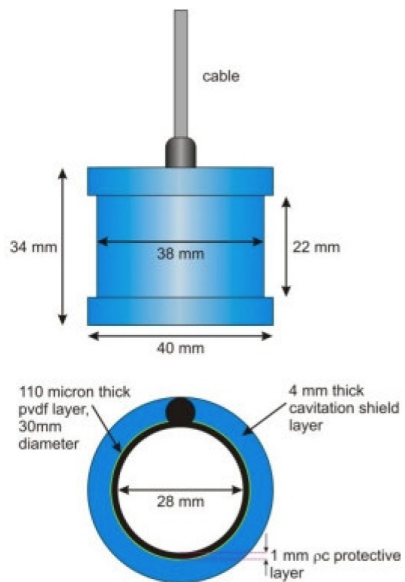
- *Useful Frequency Range (for direct field)\*:*  
20 to 60 kHz
  - *Maximum Operating Temperature:* 70 °C
  - *pH Range:* aqueous, 4 to 12 (no solvents)
  - *Sensor Construction:*  
34 mm high, 40 mm diameter  
Polyurethane rubber
  - *Cable:* coaxial (BNC)
- \* Custom sensors may be available to extend the driving field frequency range

### CaviMeter™

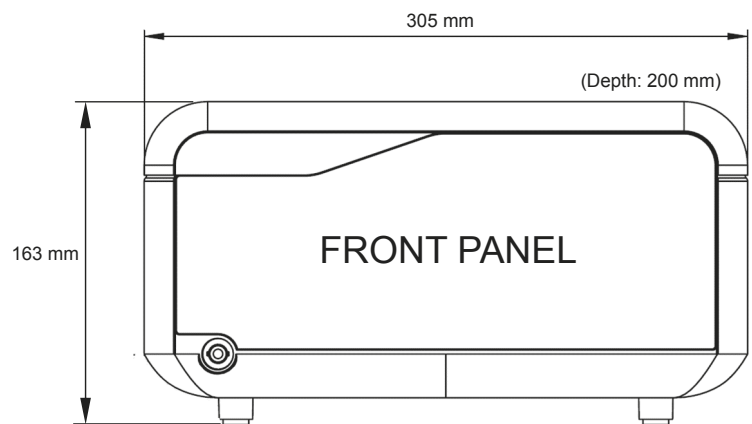
- *Pressure Range:* up to 1 MPa
- *Parameters:*  
Driving Field Pressure  
Broadband Cavitation
- *Selectable Gains:*  
x0.1 to x1.0 (Overall System)  
x1.0 and x2.5 (Cavitation)
- *Analog Outputs (BNC):*  
LF - Low Frequency (Direct Field)  
HF - High Frequency (Cavitation)
- *Power:* AC power plug
- *Dimensions:*  
305 mm (W) x 163 mm (H) x 200 mm (D)

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

## Schematics of CaviSensor and CaviMeter™



CaviSensor



CaviMeter™