Broadband Outdoor Radiometer Calibration
Longwave

BORCAL-LW
2017-03

Customer

NREL-SRRL-BMS

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Time Zone: -7.0

Calibration date
05/23/2017 to 06/27/2017

Report Date
June 27, 2017

NOTICE

Broadband Outdoor Radiometer Calibration Report

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Introduction

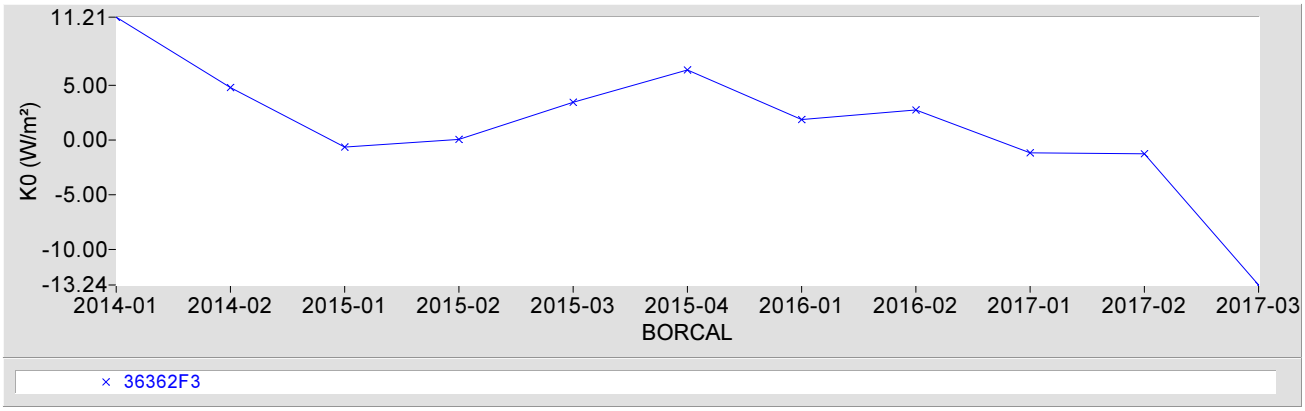
This report compiles the calibration results from a Broadband Outdoor Radiometer Calibration (BORCAL). The work was accomplished at the Radiometer Calibration Facility shown on the front of this report. The calibration results reported here are traceable to the World Infrared Standard Group (WISG).

This report includes these sections:

- Control Instruments - a group of instruments included in each BORCAL event that provides a measure of process consistency.
- Results Summary - a table of all instruments included in this report summarizing their calibration results and uncertainty.
- Instrument Details - the calibration certificates and application notes for each instrument.
- Environmental and Sky Conditions - meteorological conditions and reference irradiance during the calibration event.

Control Instrument History

Figure 1. Eppley PIR Control Instrument History (K0 Coefficient)



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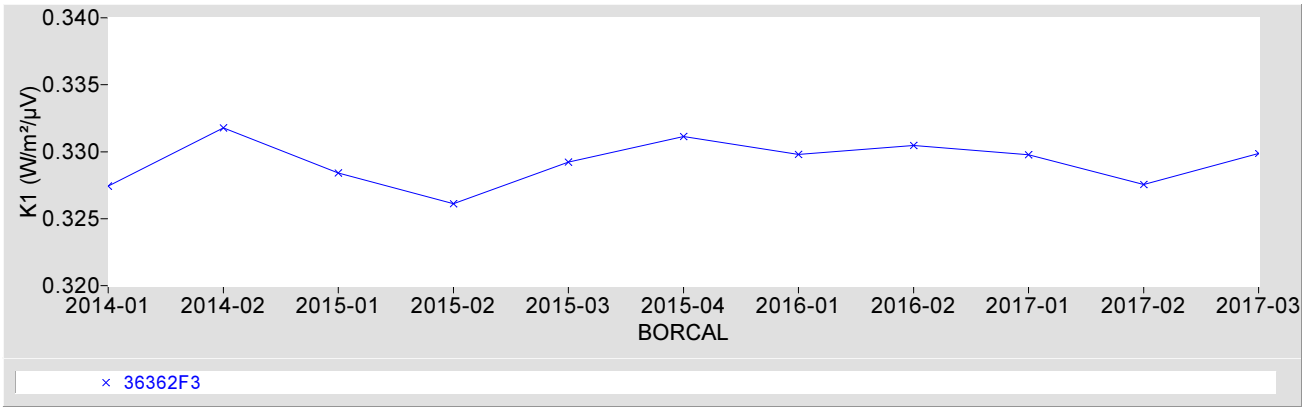

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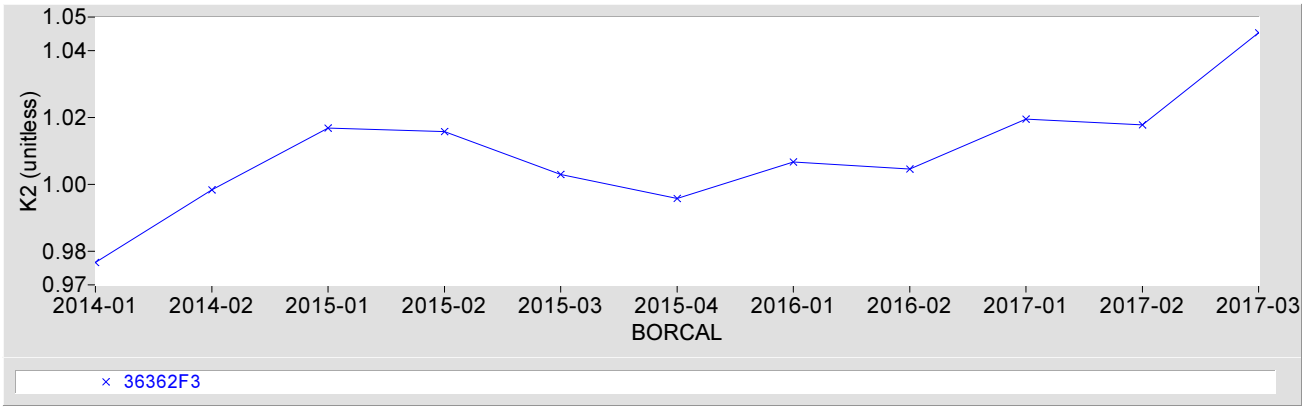

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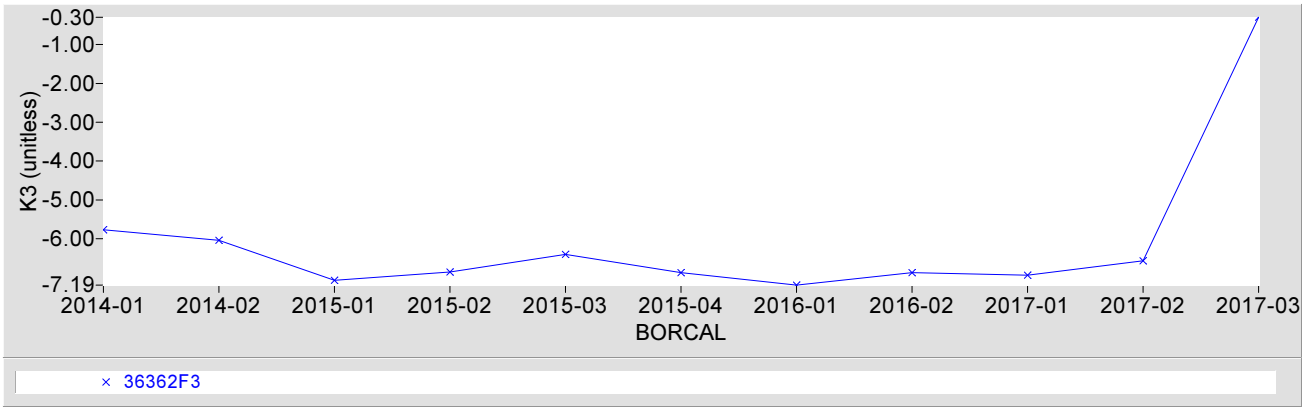

Results Summary

Table 1. Results Summary

Instrument	K0 (W/m²)	K1 (W/m²/µV)	K2	K3	Kr * (K/µV)	U95 (W/m²)	Page
010284-DW-CG3 Kipp & Zonen CG3	-7.0285	0.070881	1.0306	0	7.044e-4	±3.1	A1-2
100227 Kipp & Zonen CGR4	-7.2388	0.10556	1.0283	0	7.044e-4	±3.0	A1-5
31192F3 Eppley PIR	-12.590	0.25843	1.0438	-3.5845	7.044e-4	±3.0	A1-8
31194F3 Eppley PIR	-15.274	0.26481	1.0500	-3.5914	7.044e-4	±2.9	A1-11

Note: Environmental Conditions for BORCAL starts on page A1-14.

* Kr used to derive K0,K1,K2, and K3

Appendix 1
Instrument Details

Calibration Certificates: 3 pages for each radiometer (4 including Environmental Conditions)

Environmental Conditions for BORCAL: Last Page of a Calibration Certificate. Note: This appears only once, at the end of Appendix 1.

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Calibration Certificate

Test Instrument:	Pyrgeometer	**Manufacturer:**	Kipp & Zonen
Model:	CG3	**Serial Number:**	010284-DW-CG3
Calibration Date:	6/27/2017	**Due Date:**	6/27/2019
Customer:	NREL-SRRL-BMS	**Environmental Conditions:**	see page 4
Test Dates:	5/23-31, 6/1-27		

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Infrared Irradiance ‡	Eppley Downwelling Pyrgeometer Model PIR, S/N 31233F3	03/14/2017	03/14/2021

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Number of pages of certificate: 4

Calibration Procedure: BORCAL-LW-P00-Calibration and QA Procedure; available upon request.

Setup: Radiometers are calibrated outdoors, using the atmosphere as the source. Pyranometers and pyrgeometers are installed for horizontal measurements, with their signal connectors oriented north, if their design permits.

Calibrated by: Afshin Andreas

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Ibrahim Reda, Technical Manager Date

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Calibration Results

010284-DW-CG3 Kipp & Zonen CG3

The incoming irradiance (Win, W/m²) of the test instrument during calibration is calculated using this Measurement Equation:

$$Win = K0 + K1*V + K2*Wr + K3*(Wd - Wr) \quad [1]$$

where,

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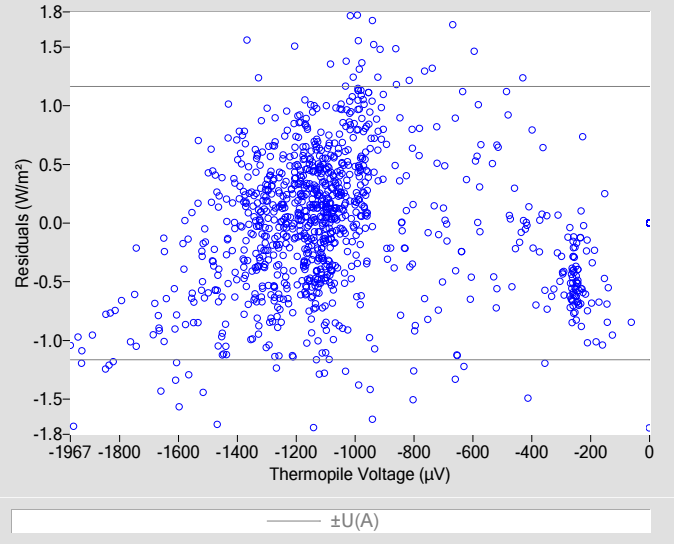

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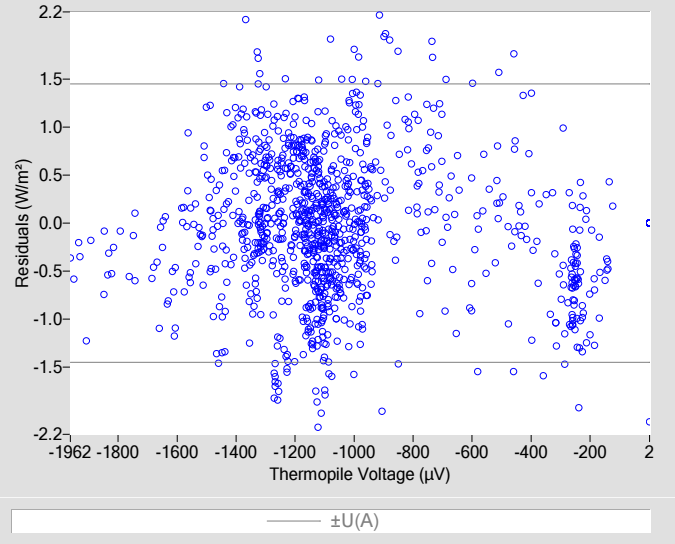


Table 2. Calibration Coefficients for K0<>0

K0	-7.0285
K1	0.070881
K2	1.0306
K3	0
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 3. Calibration Coefficients for K0=0

K0	0
K1	0.070947
K2	1.0125
K3	0
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

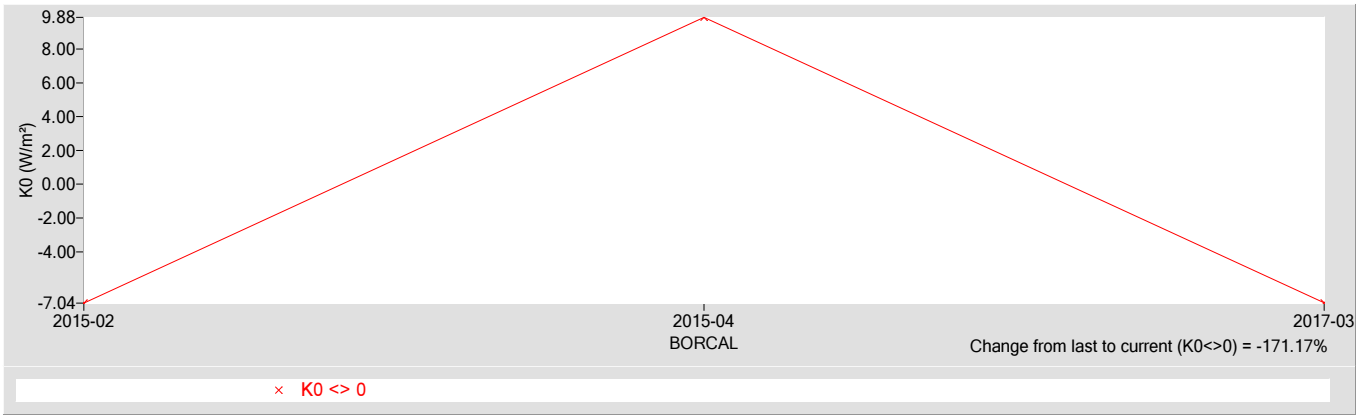
Table 4. Uncertainty using K0<>0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.59
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.6
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.1

Table 5. Uncertainty using K0=0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.74
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.6
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.2

Figure 3. History of instrument (K0 Coefficient)



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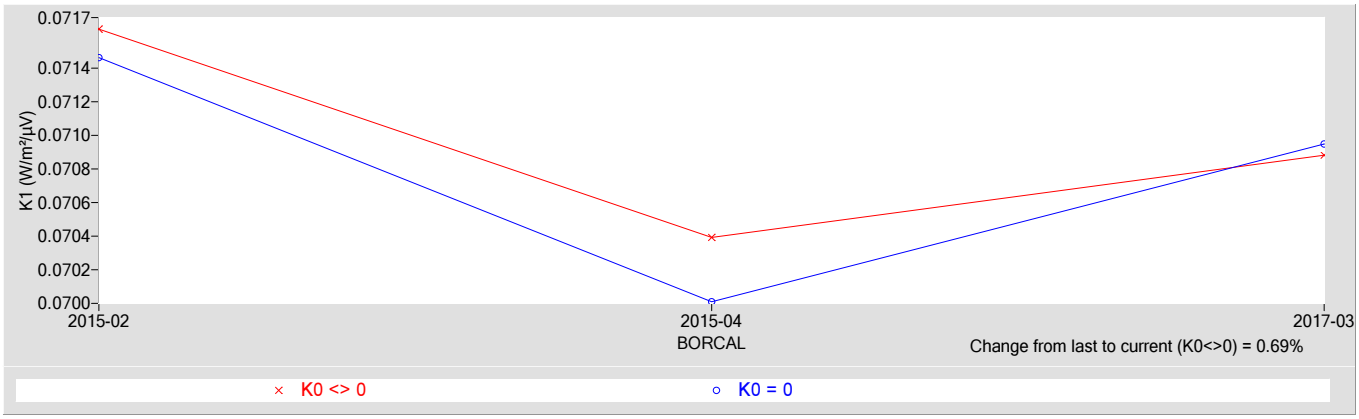

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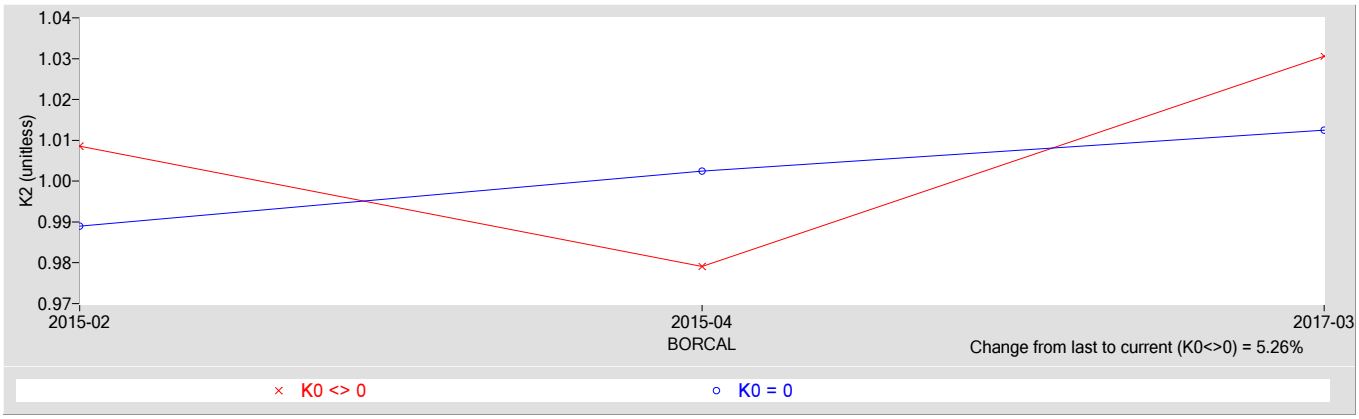

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Calibration Certificate

Test Instrument:	Pyrgeometer	**Manufacturer:**	Kipp & Zonen
Model:	CGR4	**Serial Number:**	100227
Calibration Date:	6/27/2017	**Due Date:**	6/27/2019
Customer:	NREL-SRRL-BMS	**Environmental Conditions:**	see page 4
Test Dates:	5/23-31, 6/1-27		

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Calibration Results

100227 Kipp & Zonen CGR4

The incoming irradiance (Win, W/m²) of the test instrument during calibration is calculated using this Measurement Equation:

$$Win = K0 + K1*V + K2*Wr + K3*(Wd - Wr) \quad [1]$$

where,

K0,K1,K2,K3 = calibration coefficeints,
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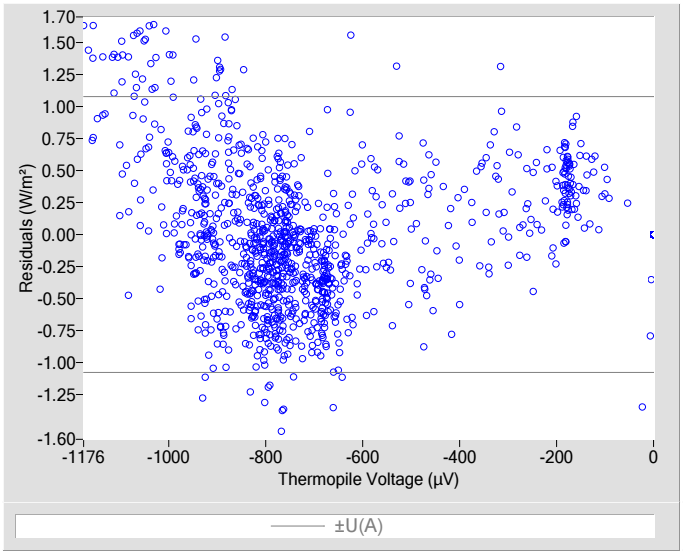

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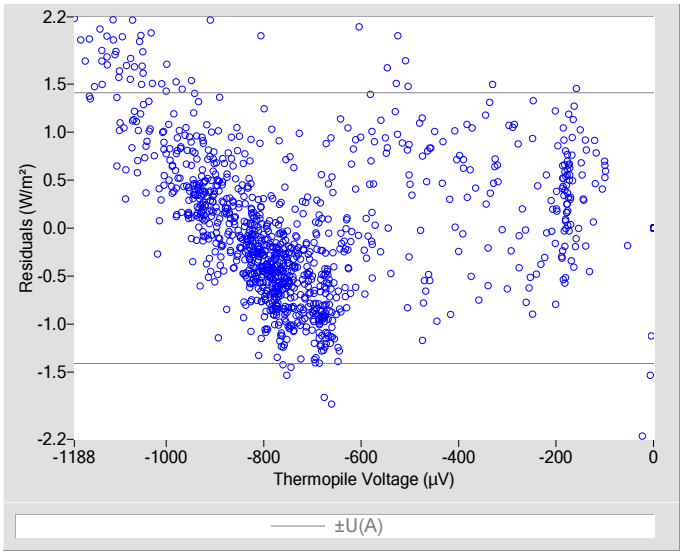


Table 2. Calibration Coefficients for K0<>0

K0	-7.2388
K1	0.10556
K2	1.0283
K3	0
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 3. Calibration Coefficients for K0=0

K0	0
K1	0.10551
K2	1.0095
K3	0
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

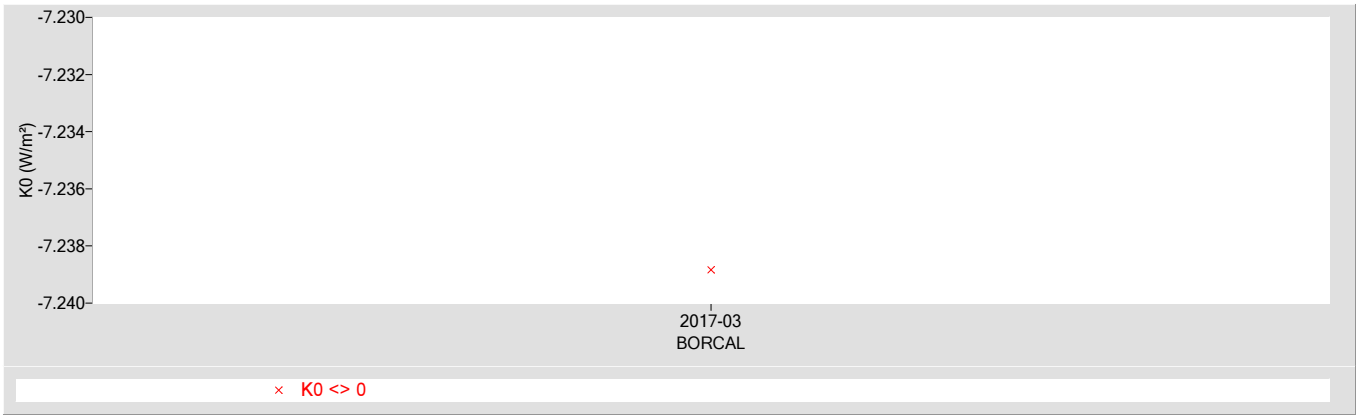
Table 4. Uncertainty using K0<>0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.55
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.5
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.0

Table 5. Uncertainty using K0=0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.72
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.6
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.2

Figure 3. History of instrument (K0 Coefficient)



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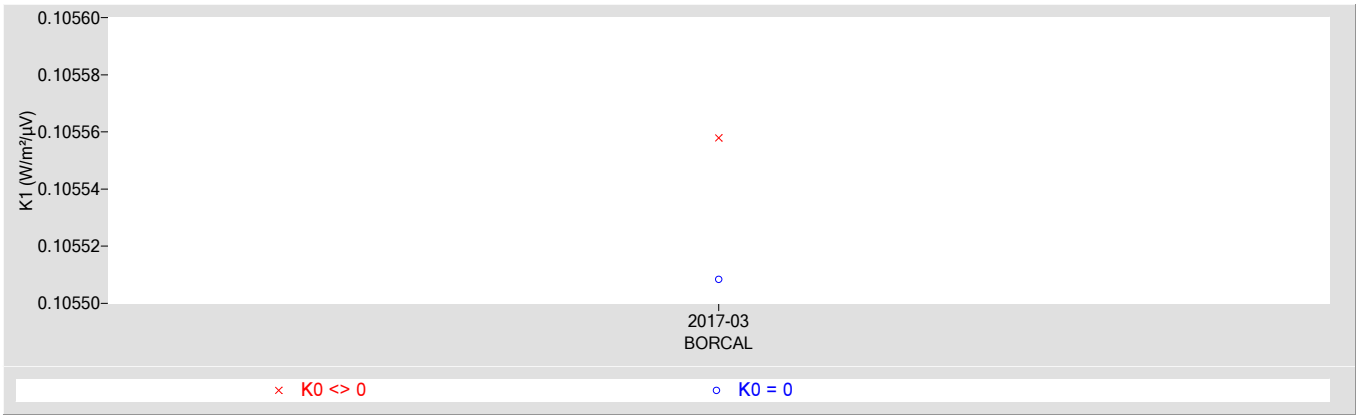

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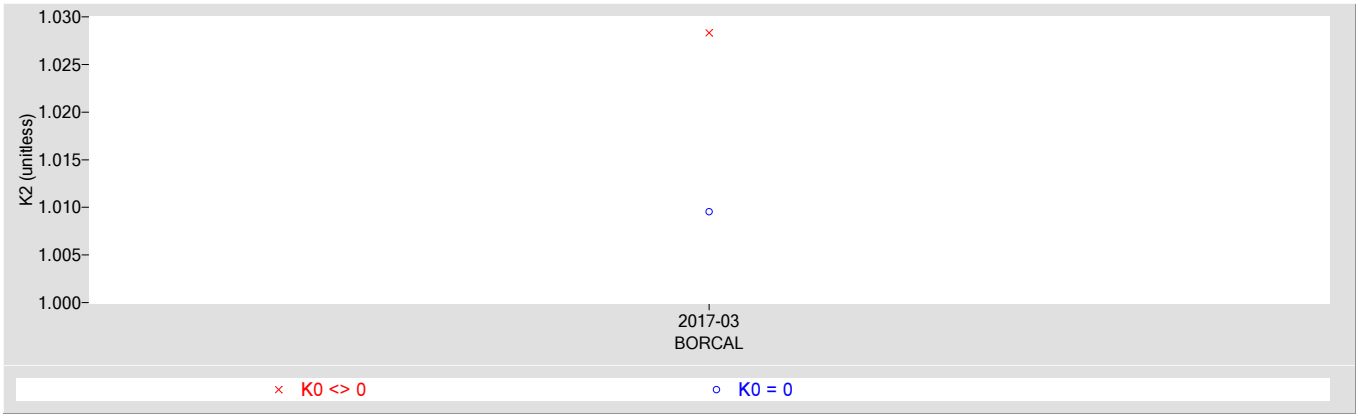

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Calibration Certificate

Test Instrument:	Downwelling Pyrgeometer	**Manufacturer:**	Eppley
Model:	PIR	**Serial Number:**	31192F3
Calibration Date:	6/27/2017	**Due Date:**	6/27/2019
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Calibration Results

31192F3 Eppley PIR

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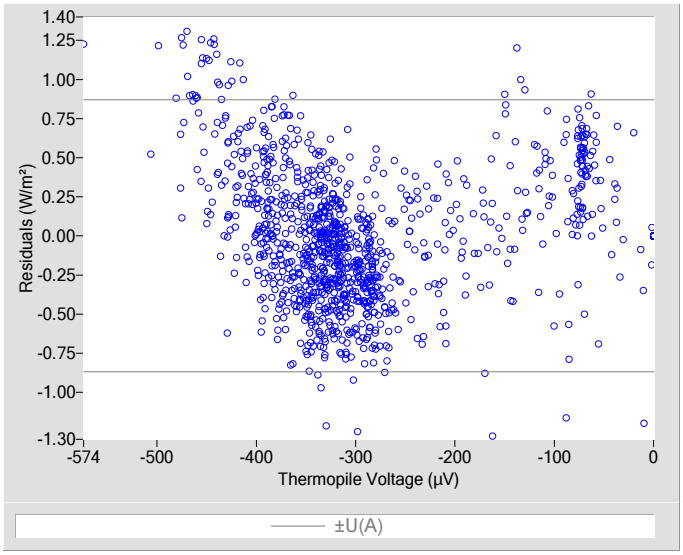

Figure 2. Residuals for calc. vs ref. irradiance using K0=0 Coefficients

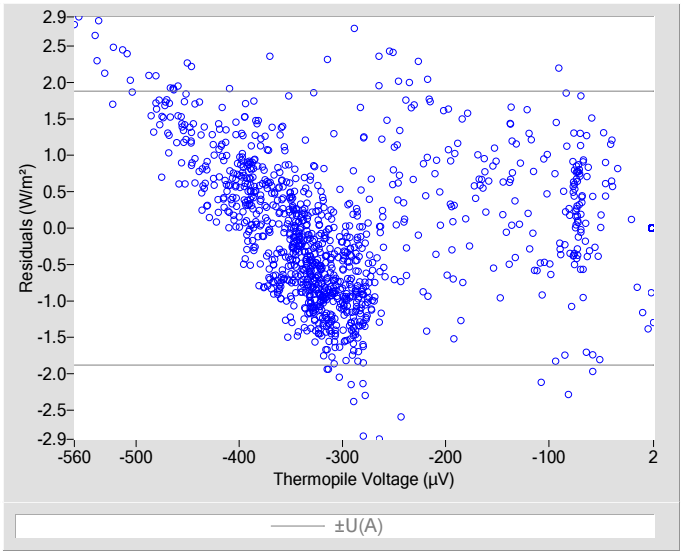

Table 2. Calibration Coefficients for K0<>0

K0	-12.590
K1	0.25843
K2	1.0438
K3	-3.5845
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 3. Calibration Coefficients for K0=0

K0	0
K1	0.25686
K2	1.0106
K3	-3.6713
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 4. Uncertainty using K0<>0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.44
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.5
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.0

Table 5. Uncertainty using K0=0 Coefficients

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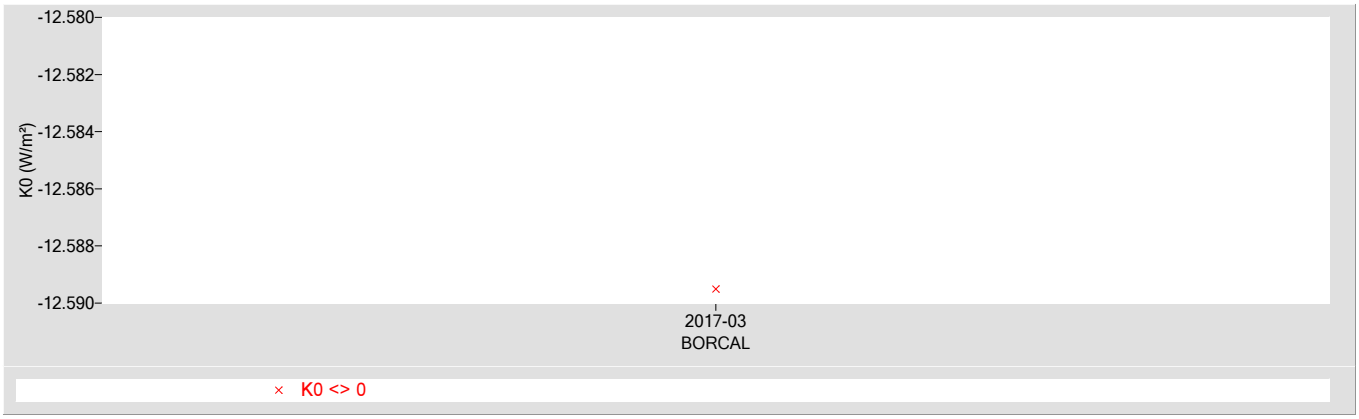
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.96
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.7
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.4

Figure 3. History of instrument (K0 Coefficient)



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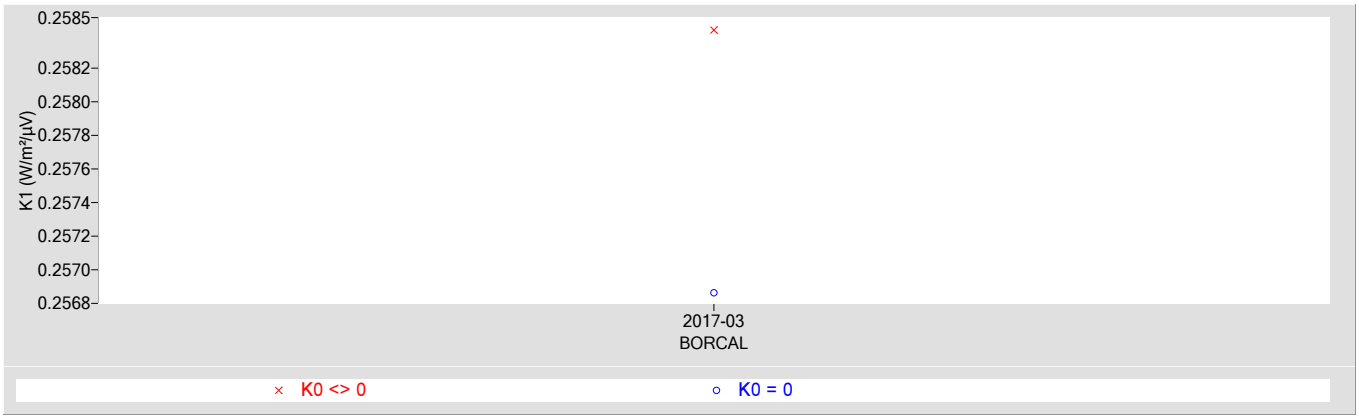

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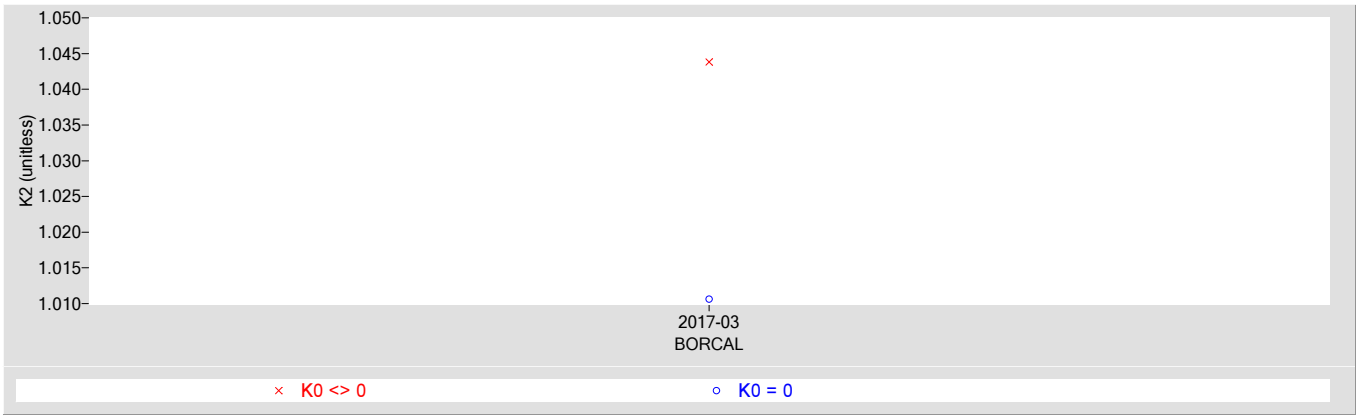

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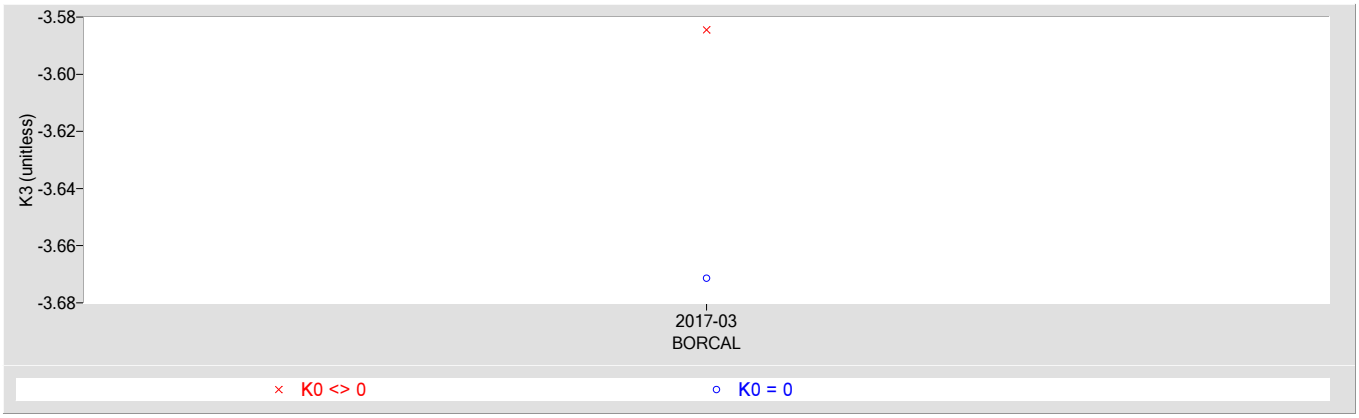

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Calibration Results

31194F3 Eppley PIR

The incoming irradiance (Win, W/m²) of the test instrument during calibration is calculated using this Measurement Equation:

$$Win = K0 + K1*V + K2*Wr + K3*(Wd - Wr) \quad [1]$$

where,

K0,K1,K2,K3 = calibration coefficeints,
V = thermopile output voltage (μV),
*Wd = σ * Td^4* = dome irradiance (W/m²),
where, *Td* = dome temperature (K),

*Wr = σ * Tr^4* = receiver irradiance (W/m²),
where, *σ* = 5.6704e-8 W·m-2·K-4,
*Tr = Tc + Kr * V* = receiver temperature (K),
Tc = case temperature (K),
Kr = efficiency coefficient (K/μV).

Figure 1. Residuals for calc. vs ref. irradiance using K0<>0 Coefficients

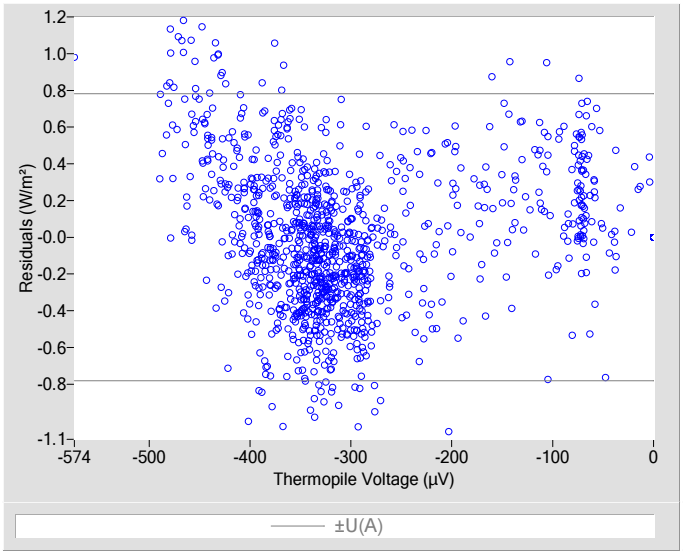


Figure 2. Residuals for calc. vs ref. irradiance using K0=0 Coefficients

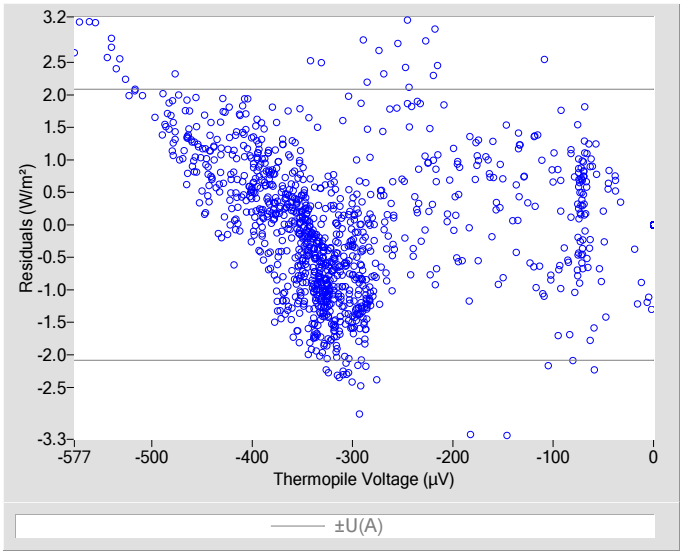


Table 2. Calibration Coefficients for K0<>0

K0	-15.274
K1	0.26481
K2	1.0500
K3	-3.5914
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 3. Calibration Coefficients for K0=0

K0	0
K1	0.26336
K2	1.0096
K3	-3.2922
Kr used to derive coefficients	0.00070440

Table 4. Uncertainty using K0<>0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±0.40
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.5
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±2.9

Table 5. Uncertainty using K0=0 Coefficients

Type-B Standard Uncertainty, u(B) (W/m²)	±1.4
Type-A Standard Uncertainty, u(A) (W/m²)	±1.1
Combined Standard Uncertainty, u(c) (W/m²)	±1.8
Effective degrees of freedom, DF(c)	+Inf
Coverage factor, k	1.96
Expanded Uncertainty, U95 (W/m²)	±3.5

Figure 3. History of instrument (K0 Coefficient)

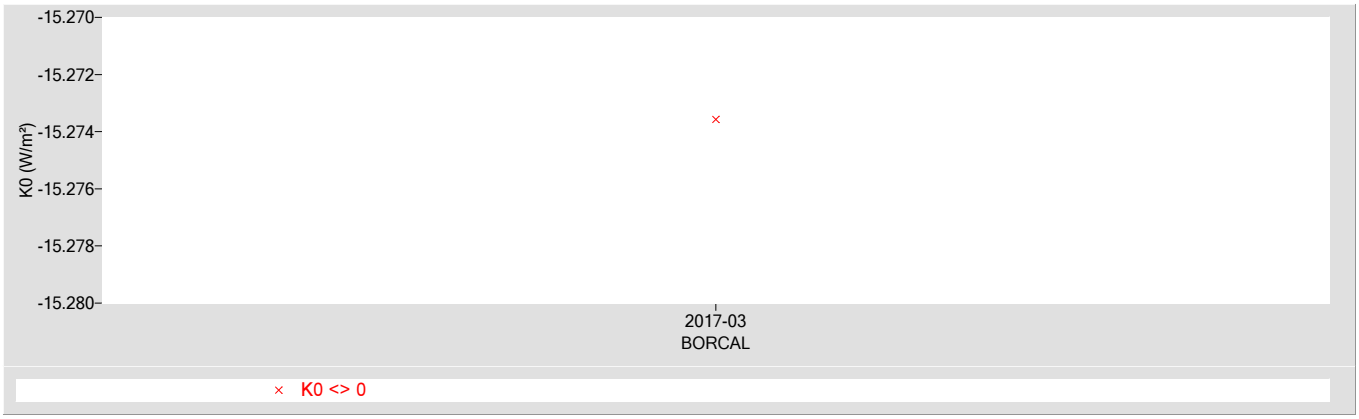


Figure 4. History of instrument (K1 Coefficient)

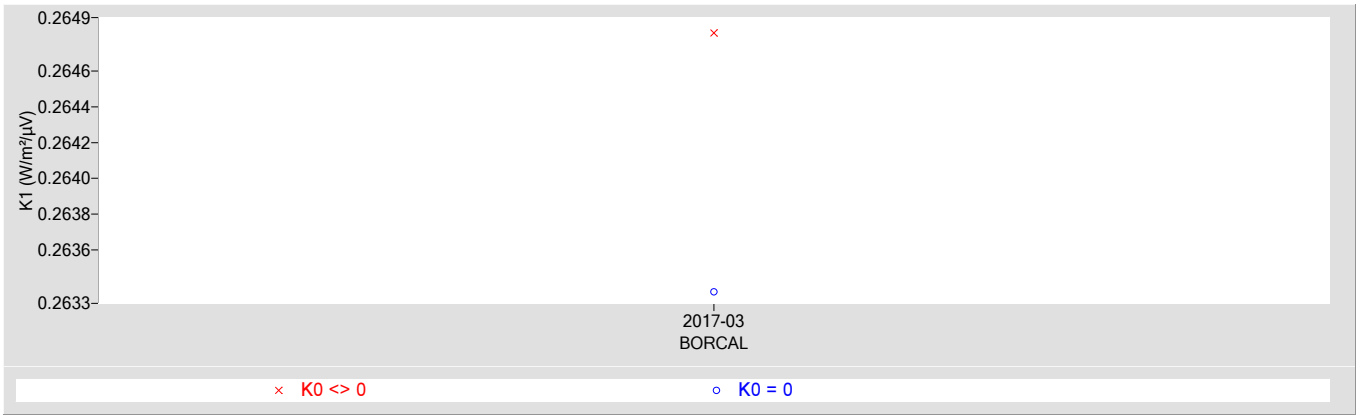
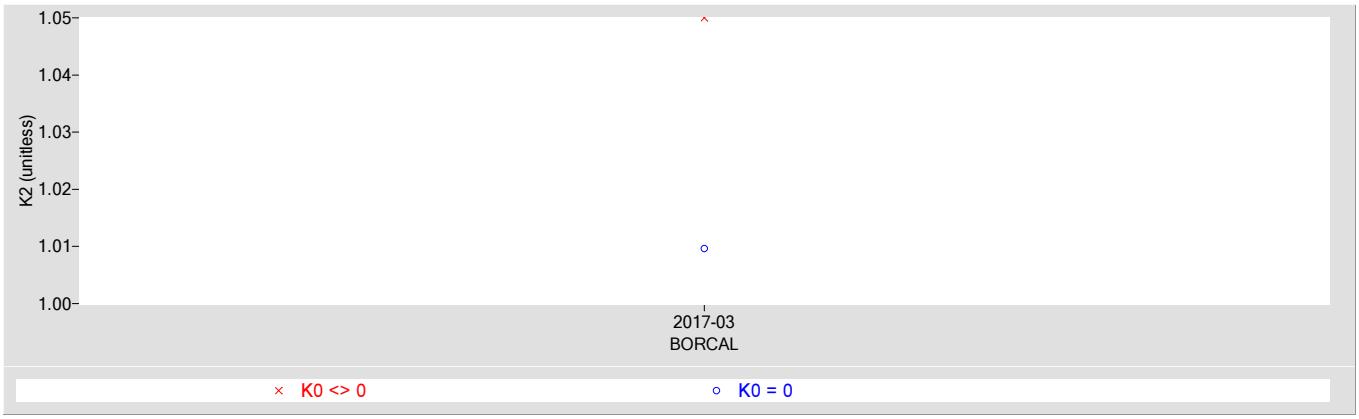


Figure 5. History of instrument (K2 Coefficient)



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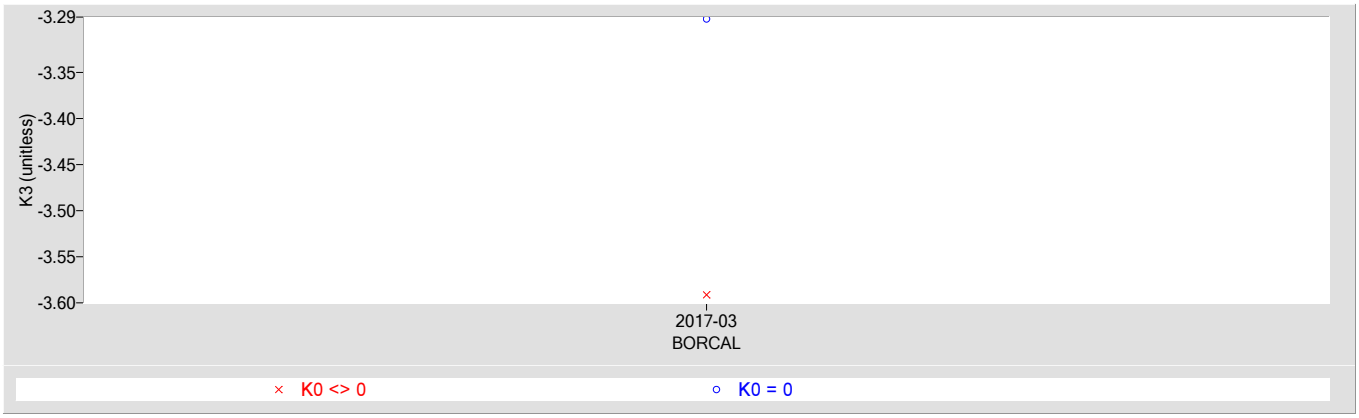

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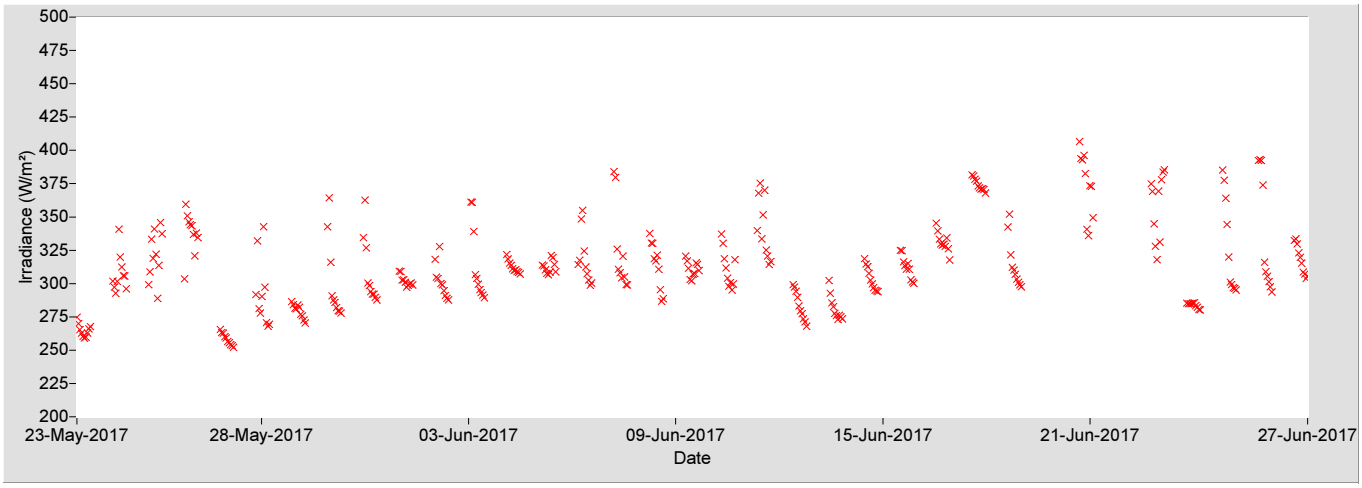
Environmental and Sky Conditions for BORCAL-LW 2017-03

Calibration Facility: Solar Radiation Research Laboratory

Latitude: 39.742°N Longitude: 105.180°W Elevation: 1828.8 meters AMSL Time Zone: -7.0

Reference Irradiance (hourly averages):

Figure 6. Reference Irradiance



Meteorological Observations (hourly averages):

Figure 7. Temperature

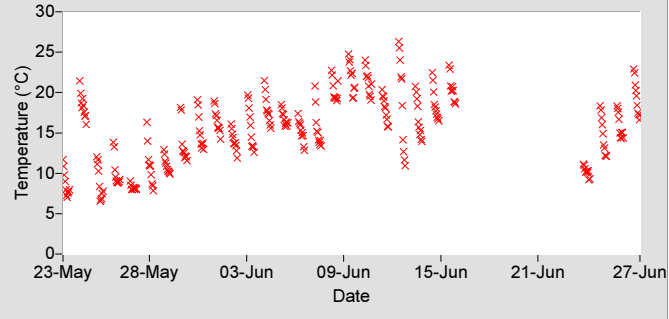
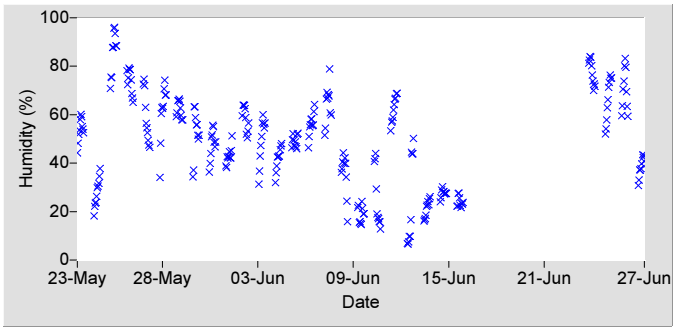


Figure 8. Humidity



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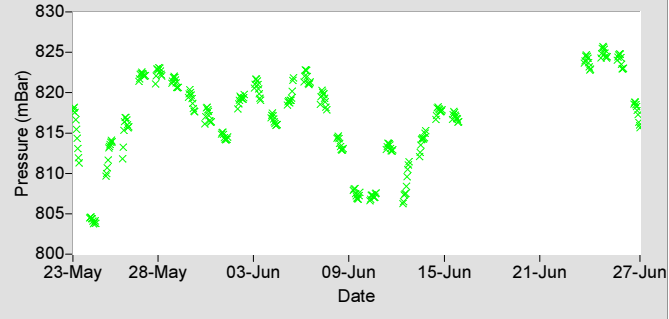

Figure 10. Estimated Precipitable Water Vapor (PWV)

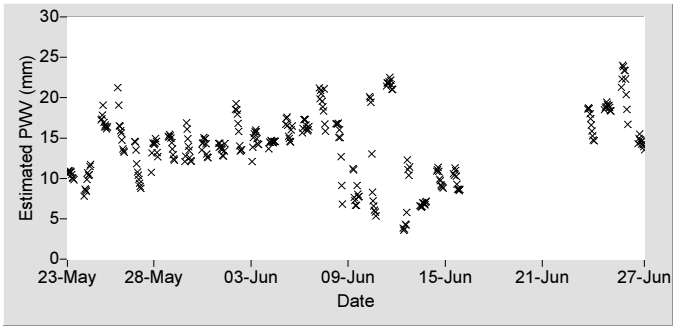

Table 6. Meteorological Observations

Observations	Mean	Min	Max
Temperature (°C)	15.29	6.17	26.35
Humidity (%)	49.79	6.08	97.89
Pressure (mBar)	816.9	803.3	825.8
Est. Precipitable Water Vapor (mm)	14.0	3.3	24.3

For other information about the calibration facility visit: http://www.nrel.gov/esif/solar-radiation-research-laboratory.html

Appendix 2
BORCAL Notes

Instrument, Configuration, and Session Notes for the BORCAL

BORCAL Notes

Facility: Solar Radiation Research Laboratory
Comments:
Avg. Station Pressure & Temperature is for Denver, CO, which is used for the Solar Position Algorithm (SPA).

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Comments:
Retro-fitted from CNR1