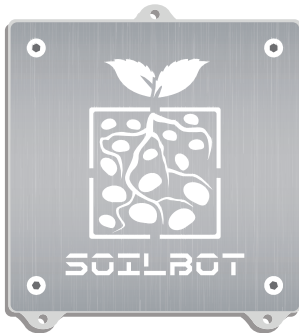


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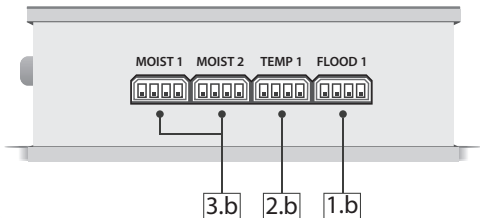
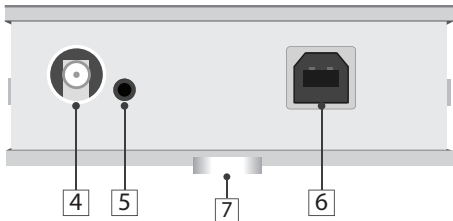
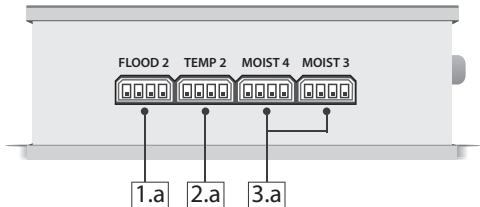
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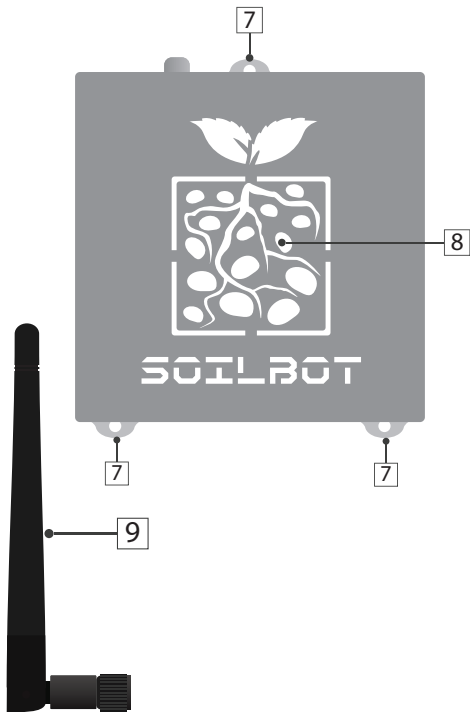


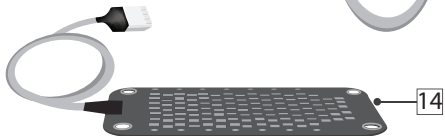
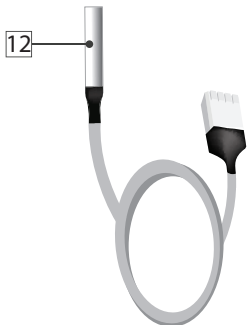
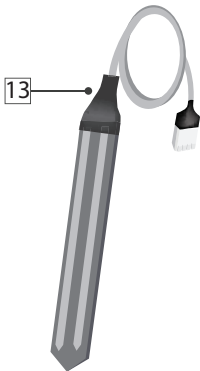
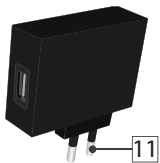
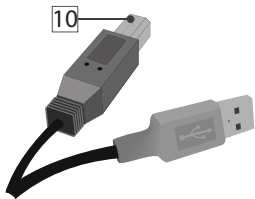
# INSTALLATION MANUAL

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- 1.a/b Flood detector outlet
- 2.a/b Soil temperature sensor outlet
- 3.a/b Soil moisture sensor outlet
- 4 RF communications antenna outlet
- 5 Module reset button
- 6 Type-B USB power supply and Firmware update outlet
- 7 Perforations for vertical mounting
- 8 Status signal display
- 9 RF communications antenna
- 10 USB module connector
- 11 110~230V<sub>AC</sub> /5V<sub>DC</sub> transformer
- 12 Soil temperature sensor

**13** Resistive soil moisture sensor

**14** Flood detector

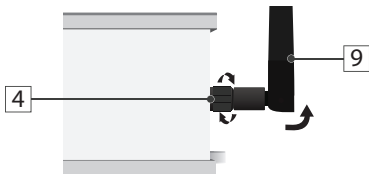
## INSTALLATION

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### Basic connections

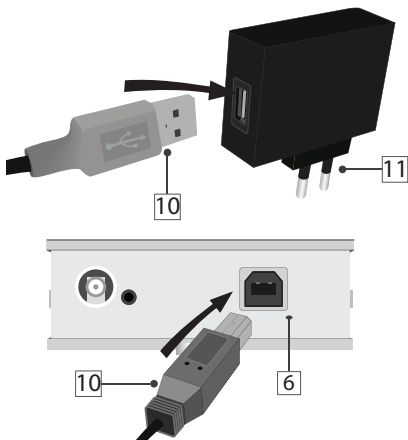
Screw the communications antenna (9) into the module's antenna outlet (4).

For correct communication, turn the communications antenna (9) so as to position it vertically in the direction of the module.



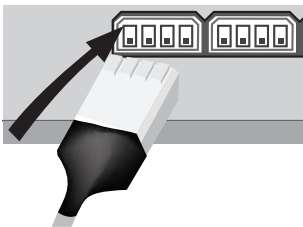
Place the module on a firm surface, far from flood-prone areas. It is recommended that the module be mounted on a wall in order to easily handle the sensor wires.

Once the module has been mounted, connect one end of the USB cable (10) to the 110~230V<sub>AC</sub>/5V<sub>DC</sub> transformer and the other end (10) to the module's type-B USB outlet (6).



Connect the transformer (11) to a 110~230V<sub>AC</sub>/5V<sub>DC</sub> power outlet.

Connect the flood detector (14), the soil temperature sensor (12) and the soil moisture sensors (13) respectively, to the module outlets (1, 2, 3).

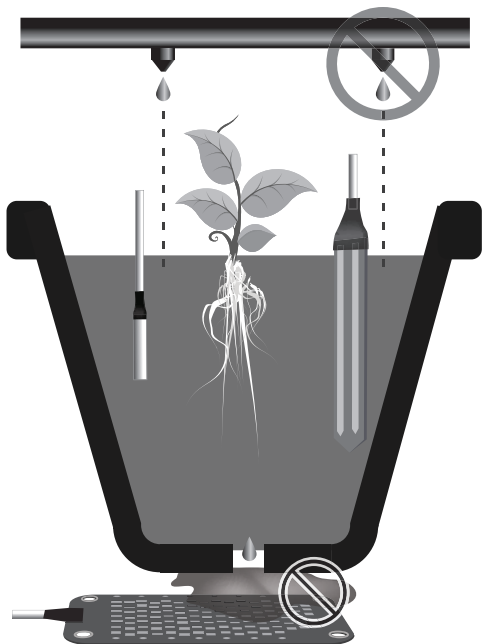


Introduce the temperature sensor two centimeters deep in the soil and spike the moisture sensors in the soil, leaving the tip two centimeters above the soil surface.

To avoid incorrect calculations, place the moisture sensor far from the irrigation source.

Lastly, place the flood detector in the soil near the pots, avoiding its exposure to the excess water drained from irrigation.





The moisture sensors for substrate and flood detectors have resistive technology and are vulnerable to corrosion caused by electrolysis.

Within the measure possible, maintain the flood detectors dry. Do not forget to dry them again once they have been exposed to water.

Both moisture sensors and flood detectors are replaceable. If your sensors have been greatly affected by corrosion, you can acquire from the website **[www.opengrow.pt](http://www.opengrow.pt)** new substitution sensors.

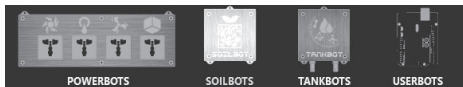
Position the soil moisture sensors in different areas or pots. Use the sensors to monitor and control different crops.

## Connection to GroNode

Make sure the GroNode is correctly installed and accessible through the GroLab Software, if not follow the instructions provided inside the GroNode's manual.

After installing the SoilBot, open the GroLab Software, establish a connection with GroNode and then, access **Modules** through the main menu.

Usually, 2 or 3 minutes are enough for GroNode to detect a newly installed module, after being detected it automatically appears in the **Modules** menu under the respective module type section.



You can check the list of modules of the same type on the right side of this menu. Note that one GroNode supports a maximum of 4 modules of each type.

# Problems or losses in communication

GroNode was designed to communicate with the other modules through radio frequency signals. The range of action is 25 meters (82 feet) indoors and 100 meters (328 feet) outdoors depending on space conditions.

Access the **Modules** menu on the GroLab Software and check if your modules are available. If they aren't available or they are experiencing communication losses, it is possible that you have exceeded the distance between your modules and GroNode.

Inside the **Modules** menu, you can find a wireless signal icon that indicates if the selected module is connected to the GroNode.



**NOTICE:** Some load-bearing walls and electronic devices may interfere with the signal.

If the problem persists, perform a test run by placing the module next to the GroNode and check the module's communication status through the software. If communication has been successfully re-established, repeat this operation at different distances until you detect the maximum communication distance.

If the module is not found at all, try to cycle the GroNode through all the available communication channels until you find your modules, allowing 3 minutes between channel changes.

To change the communication channel, open the GroLab Software and connect to the GroNode. Inside the **Main Menu (Configurations)**, go to **Settings (GroNode) → General Settings Tab**. Click the button in the lower right corner to enable editing and change the communication channel to the desired channel. To apply the changes, click the green button in the lower right corner.

If after following the previous steps your modules still don't show up on the GroLab Software, please contact our technical support.

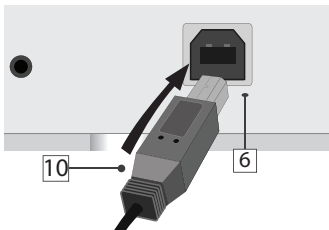


## Firmware Updates

Keep in mind that some software updates will require updating your devices' Firmware.

All updates will provide crucial improvements, ensuring your system's performance.

Connect the type-B USB cable (10) to your device's USB outlet (6) and follow the instructions indicated in the GroLab Software.



# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS ④

The following general safety guidelines are provided to help ensure your own personal safety and protect your product from potential damage.

- Do not attempt to service the product and never disassemble the product. For some products with a user replaceable battery, please read and follow the instructions provided by the installation manual.
- Keep your device away from radiators and heat sources.
- Keep your equipment away from extremely hot or cold temperatures to ensure that it is used within the specified operating range.
- Do not push any objects into the air vents or openings of your equipment. Doing so can cause a fire or electric shock by shorting out interior components.
- Ensure that nothing rests on your equipment's cables and that the cables are not located where they can be stepped on or tripped over.
- Do not spill food or liquids on your equipment.
- Before you clean your equipment, disconnect it from the electrical outlet. Clean your device with a soft cloth lightly dampened with water. Do not use liquids or aerosol cleaners, which may contain flammable substances.
- If your equipment does not operate normally - in particular, if there are any unusual sounds or smells coming from it - unplug it immediately and contact an authorized dealer or the Open Grow support center.
- To help avoid the potential hazard of electric shock, do not connect or disconnect any cables, or perform maintenance or reconfiguration of your equipment during an electrical storm.
- Check the voltage rating before you connect the equipment to an electrical outlet to ensure that the required voltage and frequency match the available power source.
- Also, ensure that your GroLab modules and attached devices are electrically rated to operate with the AC power available in your location.
- Do not plug the equipment power cables into an electrical outlet if the power cable is damaged.
- To prevent electric shock, plug the equipment power cables into properly grounded electrical outlets.
- If you use an extension power cable, ensure that the total ampere rating of the products plugged into the extension power cable does not exceed the ampere rating of the extension cable.

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