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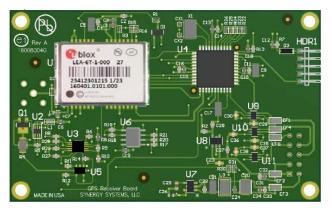
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## 1024 Week Roll-Over Free When Used in Legacy Timing Instrumentation

# Single Board, Drop-In Replacements for Motorola VP, UT+ and GT+ Oncore GPS Receivers and Synergy's Legacy 12 Channel M12+ and M12M GPS Receiver Adaptor Boards

**Introduction** - Synergy's single-board, u-Blox based, SSR Series replacement receivers are plug-compatible with the original, larger format Motorola VP, GT+ and UT+ Oncore GPS receivers - **No Adaptor Board Required!** 



**SSR-Series Single Board Replacement** 

**Background** - Synergy started the firmware design process in 2010 to emulate the most popular Motorola binary messages used in timing applications. This resulted in the SSR Series of drop-in replacements for receivers suffering from GPS week roll-over events. Emulated versions of Motorola's 6 and 8 channel binary messages were first made available in Synergy's SSR Series GPS receivers delivered on Adaptor Boards in 2012. No motherboard changes were required to replace Motorola's VP, GT+ and UT+ Boards.

**Summary** - SSR Series Single-Board replacement receivers offer enhanced performance over the original 6 and 8 channel Motorola VP Oncore OEM GPS receiver boards introduced in 1994, and the 8 channel GT+ and UT+ Oncore introduced in 1998. Like their predecessor Synergy Adaptor Board products, The new SSR-VP/UT+ Receivers operate in an emulated Motorola binary mode that produces popular 6, 8 or 12 channel messages, factory programmed for the Motorola model being replaced.

**Applications** - Three main applications can take advantage of these SSR Series "Drop-In" replacement receivers. One is for upgrading legacy 6 and 8 channel timing

products sold by many manufacturers including HP, Datum, FEI, Austron, Spectracom, CNS Systems and others. Another is for scientific research projects for replacing Legacy VP and UT+ Oncore receivers in long-term, multilocation data acquisition field studies.

A third is for precision timing and telecom products manufactured by Motorola, Odetics, Lucent Technologies and others. All of these products can take advantage of the performance boost SSR Series boards provide by plugging 16 channel technology directly into their 6 and 8 channel products with no hardware changes required. SSR-Series receivers also provide 12 channel binary messages to legacy Motorola and, and other 6 and 8 channel products, that have been updated to recognize 12 channel messages.

**Electrical Characteristics** - SSR Clone receivers appear to the external electronics as a legacy, 5 Volt Motorola receiver. Power. PPS and signal pinouts are the same as Motorola's VP, GT+ and UT+ Oncore receivers.

SSR Series receivers function properly from a regulated +5 VDC power applied to the board from various manufacturer's timing instrumentation products, Campus Area Synchronization products and legacy Evaluation Kits supplied by Motorola and Synergy since 1994.

Message Formats – A list of emulated Motorola binary messages is shown in Synergy Tech-Note 498 "Motorola Binary Emulation." SSR Command\Reply Messages are being expanded as requested by users.

Performance –The SSR-VP/UT+ replacements offer much faster TTFF, higher sensitivity and accuracy and better jamming immunity than the receivers they replace. This is accomplished by using modern GPS module technology and a propriety conversion method for reducing the available 16 channels to the required 6, 8 or 12 channels needed by the product being updated. Pages 5 and 6 of this Tech-Note lists some of the timing instrumentation products already being updated. Others are added as they are tested.

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#### VP, UT+ and GT+ Board Configuration Details

Motorola VP, UT+ and GT+ Oncore OEM GPS precision timing boards were supplied with either a Right Angle or Straight MCX RF connector. Components were populated on both the top and the bottom sides of these boards. Synergy supplies SSR Series receivers with both antenna connector options and duplicates Motorola's VP, UT+ and GT+ receiver's larger board dimensions of 52.80 mm x 82.60 mm (2.00 in x 3.25).



Motorola VP Oncore board with a right angle MCX (UT+ and GT+ are the same)



Motorola VP Oncore board with a straight (STR) MCX (UT+ is the same)

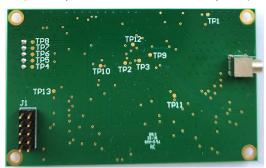
The Straight MCX version allowed both 10 Pin I/O and the RF connector to be simultaneously plugged directly into a motherboard. The UT+ and GT+ RF Connector positions are identical.

The Straight MCX connector on VP and UT+ Oncore receivers allowed designers to include additional antenna protection components on the motherboard. It also eliminated the cost of an RF coax cable. (GT+ Oncore used Right angle MCX only).

GT+ Oncore receivers were used in some lower cost Motorola timing products with ~500 ns timing accuracy and no precision timing features like T-RAIM.

#### **SSR Board layout Details**

(all components mounted on the top side)

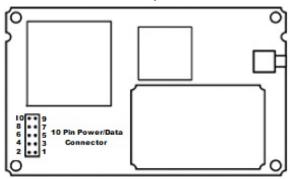


To comply with Motorola VP, UT+ and GT+ standard, SSR Series Drop-In replacement GPS receiver boards are populated with the 10 pin I/O and MCX RF connectors mounted on the bottom side of the board (top mount MCX part numbers quoted on request).

6 & 8 Channel VP. GT+. UT+ and SSR Pinouts

PIN	FUNCTION	DESCRIPTION				
1	Battery	External Back-Up				
2	Power	5 VDC Main Power				
3	GND	Ground				
4	VPP	Reprogramming Voltage				
5	N/A	Not Used (Do Not Connect)				
6	1PPS	Timing Pulse				
s7	1PPS RTN	Timing Pulse Return (GND)				
8	TTL TxD	Receiver Command Input				
9	TTL RxD	Receiver output Messages				
10	TTL RTN	TTL I/O Return (Ground)				

#### I/O Pinout Locations on VP, UT+ and GT+ Boards



Connector side of the board.

Optional "full enclosure" EMI Shield part number and price are quoted on request.

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# Single Board, Drop-In Replacements for Motorola VP, UT+ and GT+ Oncore Receivers and Synergy 1000xxxx Series Adaptor Boards

Features and Specification Comparison between Legacy Motorola and SSR-VP/UT+ Clone Receivers

Feature	Motorola 6 and 8 channel VP Oncore	Motorola 8 channel UT+ Oncore	Synergy SSR-VP/UT+	
Susceptibility to	Yes, already rolled over	Yes, already rolled over	NO 1024 Week Roll-Overs  GPS Forever Board®	
1024 Week Roll-Over	,			
Tracking Capability	6 or 8 parallel channels	• 6 or 8 parallel channels	• 50 channel acquisition, 16 parallel channels, reduced	
	• L1 1575.42 MHz	• L1 1575.42 MHz	to 6, 8 and 12 channel "Best in View" to match	
	C/A code (1.023 MHz chip rate)	C/A code (1.023 MHz chip rate)	legacy Motorola channel number requirements • L1 1575.42 MHz	
			• C/A code (1.023 MHz chip rate)	
SBAS	No	No	• WAAS, EGNOS, MSAS	
Acquisition Time	• cold - 180 s	• cold - 300 s typical	• cold - 26 s	
(Time To First Fix)	• Warm - 45 s typical	• Warm - 50 s typical	• Warm - < 2 s typical	
	• Hot - 20 s typical	• Hot - 20 s typical	• Hot - 1 s	
	Reacquisition - 2.5s	• Reacquisition - < 1 s	• Reacquisition – < 1 s	
Precision Timing	• 1 PPS timing output with Time RAIM	Same	Same	
Timing Accuracy	• < 50 ns observed - position hold	• < 50 ns observed - position hold	• < 25 ns - position hold	
Programmable Processor Power Requirements Power Consumption	Latitude, longitude, height, velocity, heading, time, satellite tracking status (Motorola binary protocol)     Software selectable output rate (Continuous or poll)     Broad list of commands/messages     TTL interface  No     5 ± 0.25 Vdc; 50 mV p-p ripple (max)     5 VDC, 1.1 W	Latitude, longitude, height, velocity, heading, time, satellite tracking status (Motorola binary protocol)     Software selectable output rate (Continuous or poll)     Broad list of commands/messages     TTL interface  No     Same     S VDC, 0.9 W	Latitude, longitude, height, velocity, heading, time, satellite tracking status (Emulated Motorola binary protocol)     Software selectable output rate (Continuous or poll)     Popular timing commands/messages     TTL interface  Yes (To add features and/or future commands)     Same     S VDC, 0.5W	
Antenna Drive	• 5 VDC Powered through receiver module	• Same	More robust Antenna 3V-5V Power Management System	
Dimensions	• 2.00 x 3.25 x 0.64 in. [50.8 x 82.6 x 16.3 mm]	• Same	• Same	
Weight	• 1.8 oz. (51 g)	• same	• Same	
Connectors	<ul> <li>Data/power: 10 pin (2x5) header, 0.10" centers</li> <li>RF: right angle OSX (subminiature Snap-On)</li> </ul>	•Same • Same	Same     MCX Backward Compatible with OSX	
Operating Temperature	• -30ºC to +85ºC	• -40°C to +85°C	• -40°C to +85°C	
Humidity	• 95% noncondensing +30°C to +60°C	• Same	• Same	
Certifications	• FCC	• Same	FCC, Industry Canada, CE	

Note: GT+ Oncore specifications the same as the UT+ but without T-RAIM

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#### SSR SERIES DROP-IN REPLACEMENTS FOR SYNERGY'S ORIGINAL 1000xxx Series M12+ And M12M, 12 CHANNEL ADAPTOR BOARDS

OLD SYNERGY ADAPTOR BOARD to be REPLACED		SYNERGY'S NEW SINGLE-BOARD REPLACEMENT ORDERING INFORMATION			
OLD SYNERGY P/N OLD MODEL/DESCRIPTION		SYNERGY MODEL NEW DESCRIPTION		SYNERGY P/N	
10001872 w/ M12M	M12M-T 12 channel receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	SSR-M12M	SSR-6Tf+, 12 channel, Single Board receiver, no	16U54525G-P3	
10001472 w/ M12+	M12+/ T 12 channel receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	SSR-M12+	bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	16U54525G-P2	
10001874 w/ M12M	M12M-T 12 channel receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, Str MCX Jack	SSR-M12T/S	SSR-6Tf+, 12 channel, Single Board receiver, no	16U54524G-P3	
10001474 w/ M12+	M12+ 12 channel receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, Str MCX Jack		bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, straight MCX Jack	16U54524G-P2	
10001827	M12M-T 12 channel <u>Shielded</u> receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	SSR-M12T	SSR-6Tf+, 12 channel, Single Board receiver, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack, No extra shield required	16U54525G-P3	
10001860G	M12M-N 12 channel Navigation receiver on Adaptor Board, <u>W/Bat</u> , Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	SSR-M12M-N	SSR-6Tf+, 12 channel, Single Board receiver, No Bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack (needs user supplied battery B/U on pin 1 of header)	16U54525G-P3	
10001729 Motorola P/N MOTO187995D01	M12M-T 12 channel <u>Shielded</u> receiver on Adaptor Board, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack	SSR-M12T	SSR-6Tf+, 12 channel, Single Board receiver, no bat, Straight 10 pin I/O header, R/A MCX Jack, No extra shield required	16U54525G-P3	

#### Notes:

- 1. The Synergy Model Numbers shown in this table are designed to work in Motorola, and other manufacturer's products where the product's internal software has been updated from the original 6 or 8 channel Motorola binary code to recognize 12 channel binary command\reply messages produced by Motorola's original M12+ and follow-on iLotus M12M GPS receivers.
- 2. The original Synergy Adaptor Board product P/N 10001729 and P/N 10001827 with an over-all EMI Shield can now be replaced with the P/N 16U54525G-P3 since the entire GPS module on the SSR-M12T is shielded an additional overall shield is not required.
- 3. SSR Series timing receivers offer excellent tracking, positioning and navigation results. For navigation applications, please send platform maximum expected acceleration and velocity to Synergy so SSR receiver dynamics can be set prior to shipment.
- 4. Adaptor Board P/N 10001860G included an on-board keep-alive battery to hold Almanac, position and time (including an RTC) in RAM to aid in a faster Time to First Fix (TTFF). The replacement SSR-M12T features much faster TTFF so a backup battery is no longer necessary. Non-battery SSR boards also eliminate the need to replace the battery in the field at the end of their service life (8 12 years depending on environmental factors).
- 5. For timing products using non-Synergy Adaptor Boards, please contact Synergy at oemtech@synergy-gps.com.

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# SSR Replacement Receiver Selection chart for updating Lucent Technologies Legacy Products Designed for Motorola VP and UT+ Oncore OEM boards

Lucent Technologies Product	Original GPS Receiver Type		Channels	Synergy Replacement Model	Synergy P/N
SII - RFTG L104B/C, L106A/B	Motorola - VP Oncore	B1	6	SSR-VP1/R	16U54525G-B1
SII - RFTG L106C, L109	Motorola - VP Oncore	B8	8	SSR-VP8/R	16U54525G-B8
SII - RFTGu	Motorola - UT + Oncore	R5	8	SSR-UT+/R	16U54525G-R5
RFTGM-II XO	Motorola UT+ Oncore	R5	8	SSR-UT+/R	16U54525G-R5

Note: As a result of a contract agreement with another customer, Synergy does not offer replacement GPS boards for the following Lucent Technologies legacy products: TFU - 44ww7, TFU - 44ww8, TFU - 44ww7B, TFU - 44ww8B, CTU - 1:1, 1:2, CTU - 1:3 and later

Manufacturers will be added to this page as their products are tested

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## SSR VP/UT+ Series - Receiver Selection chart and Ordering Instructions

### Drop-In Replacements for Legacy Motorola 6 and 8 Channel VP and 8 Channel UT+ and GT+ Oncore GPS Receivers

10 Pin Header and MCX RF Connector are both bottom mounted for backward compatibility with Motorola boards
The SSR GPS receiver products listed below only produce 6 or 8 channel messages as required for product compatibility

MOTOROLA PRODUCT to be REPLACED			SYNERGY RE	PLACEMENT	MANUFACTURERS TIMING PRODUCT
Motorola Model	Motorola P/N	Receiver Description	Synergy Model	Synergy P/N	
VP-B1 6 Channel	B1xxxXxxxX	6 channel VP Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-VP1/R	16U54525G-B1	Datum System2000, HP Z3801A and Z3805A
VP-B3 8 Channel	B3xxxXxxxX	8 channel VP Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-VP3/R	16U54525G-B3	
VP-B4 8 Channel	B4xxxXxxxX	8 channel VP Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-VP4/R	16U54525G-B4	
VP-B4 8 Channel	B4xxxXxx5X	8 channel VP Oncore – STR OSX	SSR-VP4/S	16U54524G-B4	HP Z3816A (Lucent KS-24361 REF-1)
VP-B8 8 Channel	B8xxxXxx1X	8 channel VP Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-VP8/R	16U54525G-B8	HP 58503A , HP 58503B*
VP-B8 8 Channel	B8xxxXxx5X	8 channel VP Oncore – STR OSX	SSR-VP8/S	16U54524G-B8	
UT+ 8 Channel	R5xxxUxxx1X	8 channel UT+ Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-UT+/R	16U54525G-R5	Symmetricom SU 2000, HP 58503B* Datum/Symmetricom ET6000,
UT+ 8 Channel	R5xxxUxxx5X	8 channel UT+ Oncore – STR OSX	SSR-UT+/S	16U54524G-R5	Zypher GPSStarPlus, HP 58503B* Efratom Model 137, 16 Motorola Simulcast
GT+ 8 Channel	R3xxxUxxx5X	8 channel GT+ Oncore – R/A OSX	SSR-GT+/R	16U54525G-R3	General Navigation and +/- 500 ns Timing Apps

<sup>\*</sup> Original HP 58503B units were delivered with 8 channel Motorola VP Oncore receivers. Later units used an 8 channel UT+ Oncore with either a right angle MCX or a straight MCX RF connector. Some were delivered with 12 channel M12M receivers on non-Synergy Adaptor Boards that output 8 channel messages. See Note B below.

#### To Order:

- A. Determine a part number from pages 4 and 5 or a manufacturers name and product model number from this page (for example HP Model Z3801A). If a Manufacturer's name and product model is not included on this page, please e-mail a front panel photo of the manufacturer's product and the top and bottom of the existing GPS board.
- B. E-mail a photo to Synergy of the top of the Motorola board, and also the bottom of the board (or Adaptor Board) showing the RF connector. Some timing products manufacturers switched from right angle to straight RF connectors during their production phase and the proper SSR part number needs to be specified.
- C. Synergy will return confirmation of the replacement SSR receiver part number from page 4, 5 or 6 and quote a price for the number of receivers desired.