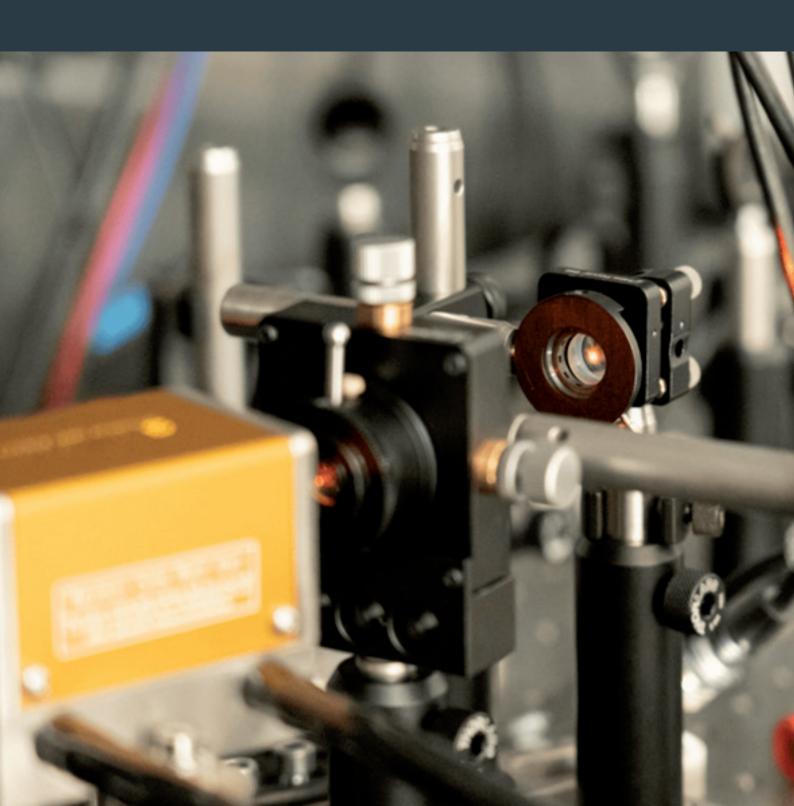


INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS



3m.i.k.r.o.n.™

High-power, diode-pumped laser technology

3m.i.k.r.o.n.TM is the technology platform for compact, efficient, fast and reliable lasers for a wide range of potential applications in the field of medical engineering and industry. It enables a new generation of innovative mid-IR lasers based on diode-pumped solid-state technology, operating at wavelengths of $(2 - 3) \mu m$ using different types of laser crystals (e.g. Er:YAG, Er:YLF, Tm:YAG).

Beam Quality: 3m.i.k.r.o.n.™ offers high beam quality and accordingly high focusability.

Speed: 3m.i.k.r.o.n.™ enables repetition rates up to 1 kHz.

Efficiency and TCO: Because of higher efficiency, electricity consumption and cooling demands are reduced drastically compared to flash lamp-pumped lasers. Higher efficiency and lack of consumables reduce the TCO drastically in comparison to CO2 lasers.

Life time and availability: Compared to flash lamp, laser diodes have a longer life time. Compared to CO2 lasers, no consumables, such as gas, are needed. Both effects involve longer maintenance intervals and thus higher availability.

Compactness: 3m.i.k.r.o.n.TM modules are very compact due to their smaller pump sources and cooling systems, leading to laser devices which are more convenient to use.

Flexibility: The wider range of adjustable laser parameters (pulse energy, pulse duration, repetition rate) offers a high level of flexibility for different applications.

Reliability: 3m.i.k.r.o.n.™ modules are maintenance free and allow for robust construction of laser devices.

Process efficiency: The very good absorption of many organic materials at 3 μ m wavelength allows for a very efficient cutting process. The 3m.i.k.r.o.n.TM technology combines the benefits of CO2 and solid state lasers.



LASER PARAMETERS

High power Mid-IR laser sources

Monolithic DPSSL
2940 nm / 2020 nm
up to 100 W
up to 8 J ⁽¹⁾
up to 1 kHz
up to 20 ms ^[1]
up to 10 %
Pulsed
(100 - 450) µm
$M^2 < 50$
~ 10 %
< 50 mrad
1.6 mm
top hat like

 $^{^{\}text{[1]}}$ @ 2020 nm with Pantec Ultrapulse Mode (on request only)

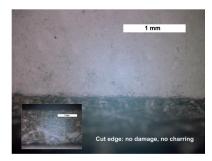
The research experiments on the following pages have been done with $3\text{m.i.k.r.o.n.}^{\text{TM}}$ Er:YAG laser sources ranging from 20 to 30 W average output power.



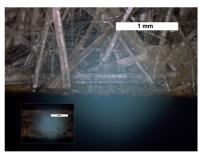
ORGANIC MATTER CUTTING

Cutting, perforating, partly scoring

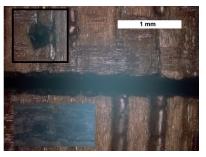
High flexibility: High cutting quality and speed with many different materials possible, such as leather, wood, compounds, etc.



Cutting of Leather 1.3 mm thick Speed: 1.0 m / min



Cutting of organic compound 1.5 mm thick Speed: 1.2 m / min (wood/resin)



Cutting and perforation of wood 0.6 mm Speed: 7 m / min and 40 m / min

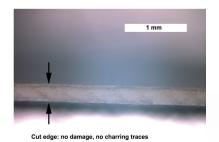
PAPER CUTTING

Cutting, perforating, scoring

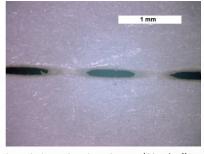
Outstanding cutting quality and speed. No burning and no soot stains.



Cutting of printed paper (80 g / m^2) Speed: 40 m / min



Cutting of plain paper (300 g / m^2) Speed: 10 m / min



Long hole perforation of paper (80 g / m^2) Speed: 75 m / min

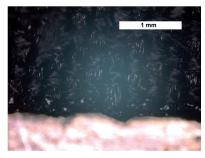


All experiments were done in cooperation with CHRISTOPH DEININGER, Ingenieurbüro für optische Technologien in Reutlingen, Germany

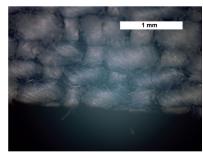
TEXTILE CUTTING

Cutting, perforating

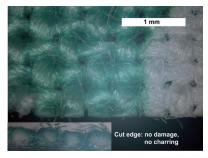
High flexibility: High cutting quality and speed with many different materials possible, such as alcantara, cotton, fleece, etc.



Cutting of Alcantara Speed: 8 m / min



Cutting of Jeans Speed: 7 m / min

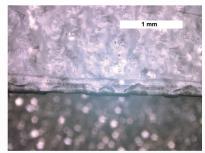


Cutting of Cotton Speed: 10 m / min

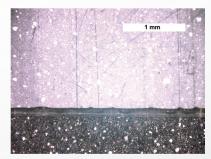
PLASTIC CUTTING

Cutting, perforating, and in special cases even welding

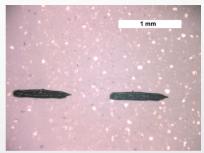
High flexibility: High cutting quality and speed with many different materials possible, such as PP, PE, PEN, PET, antistatics, etc.



Cutting of PP Speed: 10 m / min



Cutting of PE low density Speed: 8 m / min



Long hole perforation of PEN Speed: 20 m / min

High Power 3 µm DPSSL Modules



- · Compact monolithic laser systems
- · Highly efficient diode pumping
- · Fiber-coupled versions available
- · No high-voltage required
- · Reduced waste heat
- · Maintenance free
- · Process variability



Specifications

	DPM-2 (Er:YAG) free / fiber [1]	DPM-25 (Er:YAG) free / fiber [1]	DPM-50 (Er:YAG) free / fiber [1]
Optical Parameters			
 Wavelength 	2940 nm	2940 nm	2940 nm
· Average Output Power (max)	2 / 1.2 W	25 / 16 W	50 / 33 W
· Pulse Energy (max)	20 ⁽²⁾ / 13 ⁽²⁾ mJ	300 ⁽²⁾ / 200 ⁽²⁾ mJ	600 ^[2] / 400 ^[2] mJ
· Pulse Repetition Rate	up to 1 kHz	up to 1 kHz	up to 1 kHz
· Pulse Duration	(40 - 1000 ⁽³⁾) μs	(40 - 1000 ⁽³⁾) μs	(40 to 1000 ⁽³⁾) μs
· Average Current (max)	30 A	25 A	25 A
· Mode of Operation	Pulsed	Pulsed	Pulsed
 Efficiency (optical-optical) 	> 10 %	> 10 %	> 10 %
· Beam Shape (focus)	Top Hat like	Top Hat like	Top Hat like
· Free Beam Quality	$M^2 < 5$	$M^2 < 25$	$M^2 < 50$
· Free Beam Diameter	0.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm
 Free Divergence (half angle) 	< 25 mrad	< 25 mrad	< 50 mrad
• Fiber Diameter GeO ₂ [1]	~ 250 µm (NA < 0.2)	~ 250 µm (NA < 0.2)	~ 450 µm (NA < 0.2)
Cooling Requirements	200 μπ (π. τ. σ.2)	200 μπ (1777 - 0.2)	
· Coolant	Air-cooled or cooled with distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor	Distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor	Distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor
· Coolant Temperature	(20 - 35) °C	(20 - 25) °C	(20 - 25) °C
· Coolant Flow Rate	≥ 1 lpm	> 5 lpm	≥ 6 lpm
· Coolant Pressure	(1 - 3) bar	(2 - 5) bar	(3 - 5) bar
· Required Cooling Power	~ 150 W @ 25 °C Environment	≥ 540 W @ 25 °C Environment	≥ 780 W @ 25 °C Environment
required obtaining i ower	Temperature	Temperature	Temperature
Electrical Parameters	remperature	remperature	remperature
· Diode Forward Voltage	2 V	~ 20 V	~ 30 V
· Diode Forward Current (max)	350 A Pulsed	300 A Pulsed	300 A Pulsed
· Average Power Consumption		< 450 W	< 900 W
Mechanical Dimensions			
· Dimension (L x W x H)	[29 x 38 x 22] mm ^{3 [4]}	(59 x 78 x 59) mm ^{3 [4]}	(90 x 78 x 59) mm ^{3 [4]}
· Weight	80 g	1 kg	1 kg
· Emission Height	-	38.1 mm	38.1 mm
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^[1] Fiber as specified by Pantec

 $^{^{\}scriptscriptstyle (2)}$ For pulse durations > 600 μs

 $^{^{\}text{\tiny{[3]}}}$ 600 μs standard, 1000 μs on request

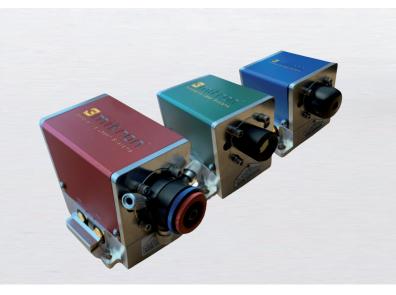
^[4] Dimensions for bare modules

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2 μm DPSSL Modules



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Specifications

	DPM-25 (Tm:YAG) free / fiber [1]	DPM-50 (Tm:YAG) free / fiber [1]	DPM-100 (Tm:YAG) free / fiber [1]
Optical Parameters			
· Wavelength	2020 nm	2020 nm	2020 nm
· Average Output Power (max)	25 / 20 W	50 / 40 W	100 / 80 W
 Pulse Energy (max) 	(0.2 - 1.6 ^[2]) / (0.16 - 1,28 ^[2]) J	(0.5 - 4 ⁽²⁾) / (0.4 - 3.2 ⁽²⁾) J	(1 - 8 ⁽²⁾) / (0.8 - 6.4 ⁽²⁾) J
 Pulse Repetition Rate (max) 	500 Hz	500 Hz	500 Hz
· Pulse Duration	(100 - 500) (20 000 ⁽²⁾) µs	(100 - 500) (20 000 ⁽²⁾) µs	(100 - 500) (20 000 ⁽²⁾) µs
 Average Current (max) 	7.5 A	7.5 A	7.5 A
 Mode of Operation 	Pulsed	Pulsed	Pulsed
 Efficiency (optical-optical) 	> 15 %	> 20 %	> 20 %
· Beam Shape (focus)	Top Hat like	Top Hat like	Top Hat like
 Free Beam Quality 	$M^2 < 20$	$M^2 < 30$	$M^2 < 40$
· Free Beam Diameter	1.6 mm	1.6 mm	1.6 mm
 Free Divergence (half angle) 	< 20 mrad	< 30 mrad	< 40 mrad
 Fiber Diameter 	~ 250 µm (NA < 0.2)	~ 250 µm (NA < 0.2)	~ 450 µm (NA < 0.2)
Cooling Requirements			
· Coolant	Distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor	Distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor	Distilled Water with Algaecide and Corrosion Inhibitor
 Coolant Temperature 	25 °C	25 °C	25 °C
· Coolant Flow Rate	≥ 4 lpm	≥ 5 lpm	≥ 6 lpm
· Coolant Pressure	(2 - 5) bar	(3 - 5) bar	(3 - 5) bar
· Required Cooling Power	≥ 350 W @ 25 °C Environment Temperature	≥ 500 W @ 25 °C Environment Temperature	≥ 750 W @ 25 °C Environment Temperature
Electrical Parameters			
· Diode Forward Voltage	< 40 V	< 75 V	< 130 V
· Diode Forward Current (max)	150 A Pulsed	150 A Pulsed	150 A Pulsed
· Average Power Consumption	< 500 W	< 750 W	< 1000 W
Mechanical Dimensions			
· Dimension (L x W x H)	(59 x 78 x 59) mm ^{3 (3)}	(90 x 78 x 59) mm ^{3 [3]}	(90 x 78 x 59) mm ^{3 (3)}
· Weight	1 kg	1 kg	1 kg
· Emission Height	38.1 mm	38.1 mm	38.1 mm
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⁽²⁾ With Pantec Ultrapulse Mode (on request only)

^[3] Dimensions for bare modules



