

SINGLE-FREQUENCY LASER for research

Features

- High-output power
- Broad-wavelength coverage
- Narrow-linewidth single frequency
- Excellent beam quality

Applications

- Laser cooling
- Rydberg transitions
- Optical traps
- **Qubit gates**
- Optical clock transitions
- Resonant excitation of quantum dots



Vertical-external-cavity surface-emitting laser (VECSEL) a.k.a. Optically pumped semiconductor laser (OPSL)

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Architecture	Direct emitting VECSEL	Intracavity doubled VECSEL	
Gain	Optically-pumped semiconductor gain mirror		
Target wavelength ¹	700 – 2150 nm	350 – 800 nm	
Free-space output power ²	0.5-10 W with integrated pump laser	0.01 – 3 W with integrated pump laser	
Coarse tuning ³	5 – 100 nm	0.5 – 10 nm	
Mode-hop free tuning range ⁴	> 1 GHz	> 2 GHz	
Free-running linewidth	< 10 kHz (10 μs), < 100 kHz (100 μs)		
Slow modulation (typical)	Piezoelectric element on cavity mirror, 10 kHz bandwidth, 50 MHz/V modulation depth		
Fast modulation (optional, typical)	Intra-cavity electro-optical modulator (EOM), 1 MHz bandwidth, 50 kHz/V modulation depth		
RMS RIN (typical, unlocked)	< 0.05 % (10 Hz – 3 MHz)		
Power stability (typical, unlocked)	< 0.1 % (1.5 h)		
Beam quality	$M^2 < 1.1 TEM_{00}$	$M^2 < 1.2 \text{ TEM}_{00}$	
Beam diameter and divergence ⁵	Up to 2 mm, up to 5 mrad		
Polarization, linear	Horizontal, p-polarized	Vertical, s-polarized	
Secondary output beam	Not applicable	Secondary output of fundamental wavelength (horizontal, p-polarized)	
Polarization extinction ratio (PER)	> 20 dB, linear polarization		
Laser head dimensions	320 mm x 190 mm x 101 mm (6.1 L; 3U height requirement, breadboard mountable)		
Control electronics ^{6,7}	Control Unit for CW operation, height 3U + 1U for ventilation		
Cooling ⁷	Water-to-air chiller, height 4U. Water-to-water and other form factors optional		

² Output power is wavelength dependent. See the next page for typical power levels. Single-stage isolator is recommended for applications with back reflections.

³ Coarse tuning range is wavelength and output power dependent. Maximum 10 THz tuning range corresponds to the typical gain bandwidth.

⁴ Mode-hop free tuning range corresponds to the laser cavity free-spectral range scanned with piezo voltage control. Larger tuning range can be reached by adjusting other tuning elements simultaneously.

5 Typical values at the laser exit aperture. Beam diameter = full width at 1/e² level of the beam. Divergence = full mean divergence angle. Values depend on the laser cavity configuration, i.e. the wavelength.

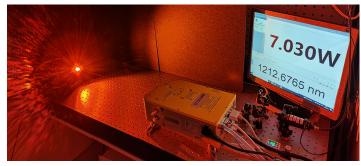
e The control unit includes a low noise laser diode driver for the pump laser, and up to 5 cavity element temperature controllers, which can be used for wavelength tuning and power optimization.

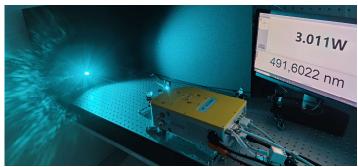
The control unit and the standard chiller unit are 19" rack mountable

VALO SERIES LASER DATASHEET



Turnkey single-frequency laser system for AMO research





Versatile VECSEL platform

- Designed to meet the diverse needs of the atomic, molecular and optical (AMO) physics research community
- High output power with excellent beam quality, with small SWaP-C, thanks to simple disk laser geometry
- Efficient ("3-in-1") intracavity second harmonic generation (SHG) for unparalleled visible power and simplicity
- Proven sub-Hz linewidth using intracavity EOM
- Tunable for spectroscopy

