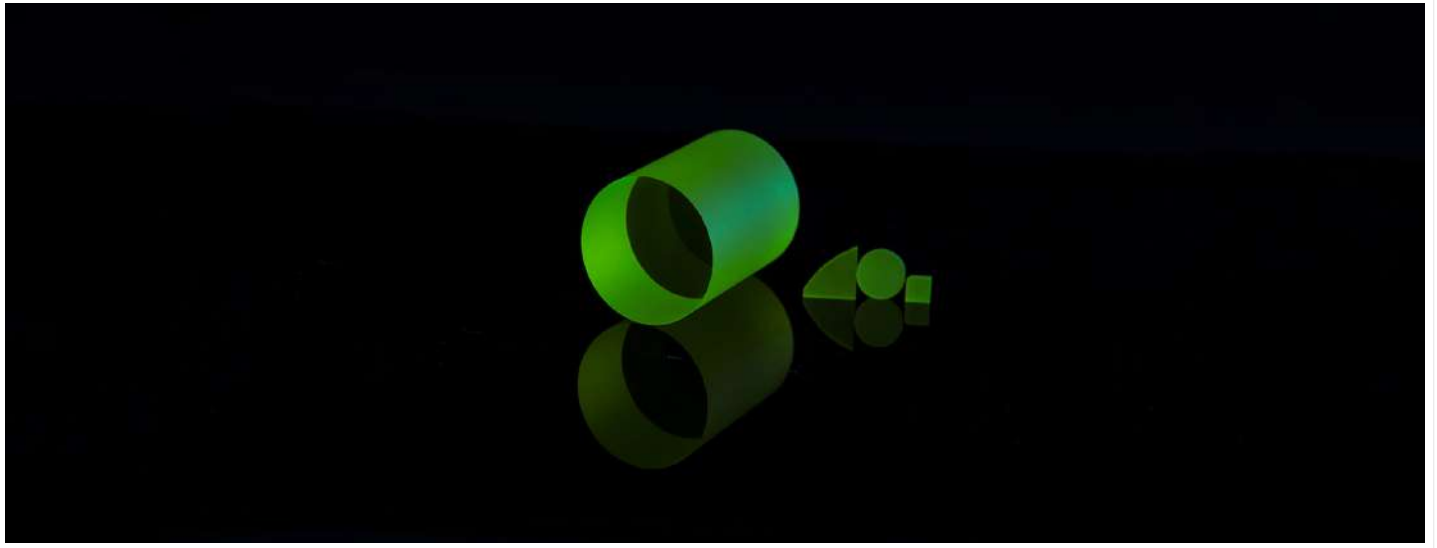


Pr:YLF



DESCRIPTION

Pr³⁺:YLF has been found as promising laser material for producing visible lasers directly. Many trivalent rare-earth ions (RE³⁺) exhibit visible radiative transitions that potentially enable visibly emitting solid-state lasers. So far, various visible lasers based on RE³⁺-doped crystalline media have been demonstrated. Among them, trivalent praseodymium ion (Pr³⁺) is recognized as one of the most successful active ions for achieving efficient visible lasers because the visible transitions of Pr³⁺ follow a four-level system, and their emission cross sections are larger than that of other RE³⁺. Many other RE³⁺ also exhibit visible transitions; however, these are often spin-forbidden, resulting in very small absorption and emission cross sections. Moreover, some visible transitions in RE³⁺ follow a three-level system, which is unattractive for laser demonstration. Only few laser materials have necessary properties for realization of lasing in visible spectral range. Trivalent praseodymium (Pr³⁺) is known to be an interesting laser ion for using with solid-state lasers in the visible spectral range because of its energy levels scheme, providing several transitions in the red (640 nm, 3P₀ to 3F₂), orange (607 nm, 3P₀ to 3H₆), green (523 nm, 3P₀ to 3H₅), and dark-red (720 nm, 3P₀ 3F₃+3F₄) spectral regions.

APPLICATIONS

- Broadband Laser Mirrors
- Wavelength Separators and Combiners
- Polarizing Cubes
- Diode-pumped solid-state lasers for precise and efficient processing of metals such as copper or gold, entertainment industry and science

FEATURES

- Custom Crystals Available Upon Request
- Lines of the InGaN Laser Diodes and 2 ω -OPSL
- High absorption and emission cross-sections (~10-19cm²)



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PARAMETERS

Material and Specifications

Orientation	a-cut
Parallelism	<10"
Perpendicularity	<10'
Surface Quality	10-5 S-D
Wavefront Distortion	< $\lambda/4$ per inch@632.8 nm
Surface Flatness	< $\lambda/8$ @632.8 nm
Clear Aperture	>90%
Face Dimensions Tolerance	+0/-0.1 mm
Length Tolerance	± 0.1 mm
Chamfer	0.1mm@45°
Coatings	R<1%@440-444nm+R<0.6% @500-700nm on both faces
Laser Induced Damage Threshold	>5J/cm ² @532nm, 10ns

Physical and Chemical Properties

Structure Symmetry	Tetragonal
Lattice Constants	a=5.164, c=10.732 Å
Specific mass	3.95g/cm ³
Melting Point	819°C
Thermal Conductivity / (W·m ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹)	6
Thermal Expansion / (10 ⁻⁶ ·K ⁻¹)	~16
Hardness (@Mohs)	5

Optical Characteristics

Typical Doping Level	1@.%
Refractive Index (@1064nm)	no=1.448, ne=1.470
Thermo-optic Coefficient (10 ⁻⁶ ·K ⁻¹)	-5.2(// c), -7.6(// a)
Lifetime of 3P0 Erbium Energy Level(μs)	50
Emission Cross Section (10-20/cm ²)	20×10-20cm ²
Absorption Peak Wavelength	444nm
Absorption Cross Section at Peak	8×10-20cm ²
Absorption Bandwidth at Peak Wavelength	~5nm
Laser Wavelength	640nm

Spectrum

