EasyQCL-100 : Terahertz Quantum Cascade Laser System



The **EasyQCL-100** system is a turnkey source of terahertz radiation which uses an integral Stirling Cycle cooler for cryogen free, and alignment free operation. A range of user interchangeable multimode QCL modules are available providing **milliwatt** power levels at frequencies **between 1.8 to 5 THz**. The **EasyQCL-100** now has a **multi-QCL** option, which integrates up to four, automatically switched QCLs in the same system.

The **EasyQCL-100** System Includes:

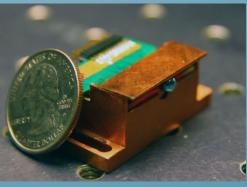
- QCL laser diode module
- Stirling Cycle Cooler
- QCL drive electronics capable of pulsed or continuous wave operation (<0.4 µs up to DC)</li>
- A variety of user interchangeable QCL modules are available:
  - Milliwatt average power levels
  - Continuous wave operation available at select frequencies
  - Choice of center frequencies ranging from 1.8 to 5 THz
  - Multimode operation
  - Single mode output at select frequencies
- □ The EasyQCL-100 system is designed for ease of use:
  - Cryogen free– laser diode cooling is by closed cycle refrigeration
  - No optical alignment
  - Stirling cycle cooler is maintenance free
  - Laser bias is manually or computer controlled (USB and Windows XP/Vista/7 compatible)
  - Complete package is tabletop compact, portable and operates on 120/240 V (5A)
- □ The EasyQCL-100 is available with a multi-QCL option, allowing up to 4 QCL devices to be placed in the system. The multi-QCL option provides all the necessary equipment to automatically switch devices.

□ Applications:

- Illumination source for focal plane arrays
- Gas spectroscopy of MHz wide absorption features
- Noise and responsivity Characterization of detectors



EasyQCL-100 System



THz QCL Module

# EasyQCL-100 Technical Data

## Included Components:

 QCL device(s) characterized for wavelength, output power, beam divergence and current versus voltage
 Vacuum chamber with electrical feedthroughs and vacuum gauge

•Liquid /Air cooled, low-vibration Stirling cycle cryocooler

- •LWP-PS2 laser driver
- Compact rotary vane vacuum pump

•Laptop PC with software for control of the driver and cryocooler

- QCL Characteristics:
  - •Multimode and single mode laser diodes available (see QCL datasheet).

Up to 2 A

- Beam divergence from 5 to 35 degrees FWHM
- ·Select devices operable in continuous wave

#### <u>LWP-PS2 Laser Driver Specifications:</u> QCL Driver Electronics (FPO typical values):

QCL Driver Electr
Current:
Voltage:
Pulsed width:
Frequency:
Triggering:

Interface: Compatibility: Software Options:

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AC voltage range:
Rated frequency:
Rated Current:
Interface/Control:
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Up to 100 V 0.2 µs up to DC 100 Hz to 100 KHz TTL Internal/External Gate BNC connector USB Windows XP/Vista/7 Laser bias current/voltage, pulse width, duty cycle and trigger source (internal external) 100 - 125 / 200 - 240 V 50 - 60 Hz 120 V/5 A - 240 V/ 2.5 A USB

Stirling Cycle Cryocooler Specifications:

Room Temperature, no cryogens.
Cooldown time < 45 min to ~50 K</li>
Maintenance: Cold head requires periodic vacuum purge to ~10-2 mbar with provided compact vacuum pump (e.g. Edwards E2M0.7 or similar). No turbo pumping required.

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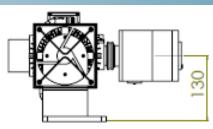
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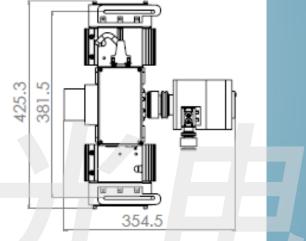
•One year parts and labor

Temperature / dimensions / weight:

Weight: Stirling Cooler MTTF: ~12 Kg > 20,000 Hours

Approx. Dimensions:





(Air cooled model pictured. Dimensions in mm)

## multi-QCL Option:

The multi-QCL option allows up to 4 QCLs to be mounted in the cryocooler
Devices are switched automatically using the LWP-DEMUX demultiplexing switch
Beams are collimated and positioned using an HR silicon lens on a motorized 3-axis stage, LWP-STEP

