

Ho:YAG crystals

Ho:YAG Ho³⁺ ions doped into insulating laser crystals have exhibited 14 inter-manifold laser channels, operating in temporal modes from CW to mode-locked . Ho:YAG is commonly used as an efficient means to generate 2.1-μm laser emission from the 5I₇- 5I₈ transition, for applications such as laser remote sensing, medical surgery, and pumping Mid-IR OPO's to achieve 3-5micron emission(suuch as ZGP crystals). Direct diode pumped systems, and Tm: Fiber Laser pumped system have demonstrated hi slope efficiencies, some approaching the theoretical limit.



The radiation wavelength of Ho³⁺ ions is near 2100nm, which is located in the human eye safe band and has a high transmittance in the atmosphere, and has important application prospect in the fields of remote sensing detection, laser ranging and laser radar, etc...



Ho:YAG crystals

- High laser gain
- Safe for eyes and good atmosphere transmission
- High-energy storage capability
- Low quantum defect
- Long fluorescence life
- Large emission cross section
- High slope efficiency
- Low up-conversion loss and re-absorption loss

Basic properties

Ho ³⁺ concentration range	0.005 - 100 atomic %
Emission Wavelength	2.01 um
Laser Transition	$^5I_7 \rightarrow ^5I_8$
Floorescence Lifetime	8.5 ms
Pump Wavelength	1.9 um
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	$6.14 \times 10^{-6} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Thermal Diffusivity	$0.041 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$
Thermal Conductivity	$11.2 \text{ W m}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Specific Heat (Cp)	$0.59 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Thermal Shock Resistant	800 W m^{-1}
Refractive Index @ 632.8 nm	1.83
Melting Point	1965°C
Density	4.56 g cm^{-3}
MOHS Hardness	8.25
Young's Modulus	335 Gpa
Crystal Structure	Cubic
Standard Orientation	<111>
Y ³⁺ Site Symmetry	D ₂
Lattice Constant	a=12.013 Å

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