Quantum cascade semiconductor micro-cylinder laser

OCR Number: OCR 937

Description:

Wide range of applications:

- Compact portable sensors
- ACRs - components in integrated optical devices
- Medical diagnostic
- Environmental monitoring
- Telecommunications – long distance signal transmission

Unique features:

- Wavelength range: 3.5-13um
- Very high optical power >1W (1000 times more than diode laser operating at the same wavelength)
- Increased directionality
- Small size – entire QC system with laser active element and cooling elements – only a few cubic inches
- Relatively low cost
- Flattened quadrupolar resonator supports bow-tie lasing mode

![Side-view of quantum cascade semiconductor micro-cylinder laser](image-url)
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