

## **Laser Materials CTH:YAG**



#### **General Information**

Triple doped  $Cr^{3+}$ , $Tm^{3+}$ ,  $Ho^{3+}$ :YAG is an efficient solid-state laser medium for 2097nm generation, widely used in military, medicine, and remote sensing applications. High spectral overlap of pump radiation (lamp or diode) with the  $Cr^{3+}$  and  $Tm^{3+}$  absorption bands, and a highly efficient conversion from the absorption bands into the  $^{5}I_{7} \rightarrow ^{5}I_{8}$   $Ho^{3+}$  emission band, enables 2 micron laser architectures with high quantum efficiency. [1], [2]

SMC provides high quality CTH:YAG for your prouction and/or development efforts.

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### **Dopant Ion**

Cr3+ Concentration	0.85%
Tm3+ Concentration	5.9%
Ho3+ Concentration	0.36%

### **Common Operating Specs**

Emission Wavelength	2.080 μm
Laser Transition	${}^{5}I_{7} \rightarrow {}^{5}I_{8}$
Flouresence Lifetime	8.5 ms
Pump Wavelength	flash lamp or diode pumped @ 780nm

# **Physical Properties**

Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	6.14 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>
Thermal Diffusivity	$0.041 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$
Thermal Conductivity	11.2 W m <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>
Specific Heat (Cp)	0.59 J g <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>
Thermal Shock Resistant	800 W m <sup>-1</sup>
Refractive Index @ 632.8 nm	1.83
dn/dT (Thermal Coefficient of Refractive Index) @ 1064nm	7.8 10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>
Molecular Weight	593.7 g mol <sup>-1</sup>
Melting Point	1965°C
Density	4.56 g cm <sup>-3</sup>
MOHS Hardness	8.25
Young's Modulus	335 Gpa
Tensile Strength	2 Gpa
Crystal Structure	Cubic
Standard Orientation	<111>
Y3+ Site Symmetry	$D_2$
Lattice Constant	a=12.013 Å

## References

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