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50 km far from Milan

Company Overview

Bright Solutions S.r.l was founded in 1998 by group of laser scientists and industry experts with significant experience in diode-pumped solid state laser engineering.

From the origin the Company's activity was oriented towards the development of the state-of-the-art DPSS laser sources with a goals of superior efficiency, compactness and reliability.



Bright Solutions has many experience veterans of the laser industry, with strengths in setting up industrial production and testing, and in guiding professionally skilled personnel in the manufacture of diode-pumped solid-state lasers.

Laser sources for aerospace and scientific applications are also a considerable part of Bright Solutions capabilities.

Bright Solutions has strong relationships with many experienced commercial Partners, thus securing a worldwide presence for the Company and diffusion of its products.

Bright Solutions is an ISO certified Company (ISO 9001:2008)

R&D Activities

Industrial

- Development of high efficiency high peak power air cooled
 Q-switched DPSS Lasers
- Development of high power fiber coupled diode laser modules and systems
- Fiber laser pumping
- High power optical fiber manufacturing

Aerospace

- Development of DPSS laser sources for LIDAR
- Development of eye safe range finders transmitter
- High power diode pumped laser oscillators for UV Lidar
- Laser module development activities and subcontractor in aerospace and military programs.

Scientific

- Development of a laser source for minimally invasive neurosurgery (MIRSURG EU Project 7th Framework Programme)
- Development of ps mode locked laser, ns Q-switched lasers and tunable OPOs for non linear optics applications.

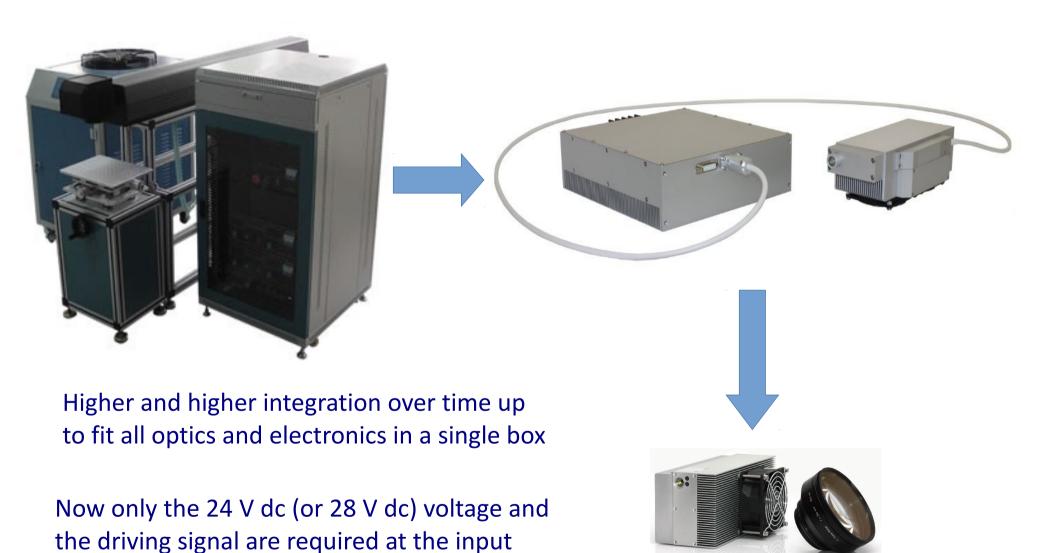








Laser design evolution



Main products: SOL family DPSS

- x Up to 40 W @ 1064 nm
- x Up to 10W @ 532 nm
- X Very Compact
- x 200 kW Peak Power
- X Up to 100 kHz repetition rate
- x Electronic Pulse Energy Modulation
- X Sealed and rugged
- X Monolithic Design
- X Air Cooling
- x 24 Vdc



 $23 \times 10 \times 9 \text{ cm}^3 - 4.5 \text{ kg}$

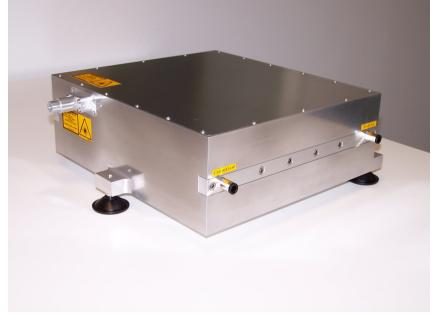
SOL 532	3W	5W	10W		
wavelength	532 nm				
Rep rate	10 kHz to 100 kHz (option: single shot)				
pulsewidth	6 to 60 ns				
Beam diameter	< 8 mm (integrated beam expander)				
Beam quality	< 1.3	< 1.5	< 2.0		
Electrical req.	24 V DC (6 to 14 A depending on the models)				
cooling	Air cooling (option: water or contact cooling)				

Main products: WEDGE family DPSS

- V Up to 4 mJ Pulse Energy
- X Down to 500 ps Pulse Width
- V Up to 100 kHz repetition rate
- Air cooling and Water Cooling versions
- x @1064 @532 @355 @266 nm
- Parametric generation at 1.5 um and 3 um

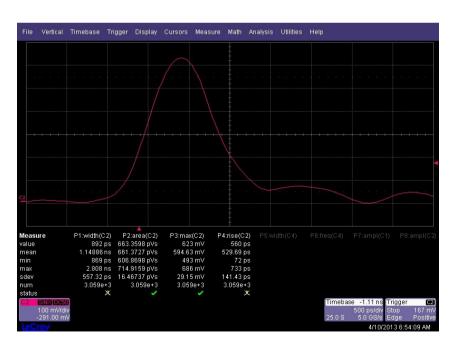
WEDGE	HB 1064	XB 1064	HF 1064	XF 1064	
wavelength	1064 nm				
pulsewidth	< 1.5 ns	< 1.3 ns	0.7 – 3 ns	0.5 – 1 ns	
energy	2 mJ	4 mJ	180 µJ	7 0 μJ	
Peak power	2 MW	4 MW	250 kW	140 kW	
Rep. rate	SS -2kHz	SS –1 kHz	SS – 100 kHz		
polarization	Linear (100:1) (option: circular)				
Beam dia.	< 2 mm		< 4 mm		
M^2	< 2		< 1.5	< 1.3	
cooling	Air cooling (option: water cooling)				
weight	8.5 kg	10 kg 2 kg		kg	





Wedge XB DPSS

Up to 4 mJ Pulse Energy
4 MW Peak Power
< 1.5 ns Pulse Width
Single Shot to 1 kHz
Monolithic Design
Air Cooling
Low heat waste
@1064 @532 @355 @266 nm





WEDGE XB: $26 \times 25 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3 - 10 \text{ kg}$

Options available

Single Longitudinal Mode
Beam Expanding and collimation optics
Red aiming beam
Low jitter option
Circular Polarization
AC-DC Power Supply
Parametric generation at 1.5 um and 3 um

Wedge XF DPSS

Up to 70 μJ Pulse Energy

M² < 1.2

450 ps to 1 ns Pulse Width

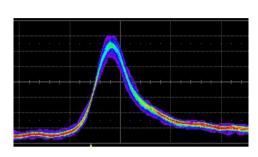
10 kHz to 100 kHz repetition rate

Aerospace qualified Design

Air Cooling

Low heat waste

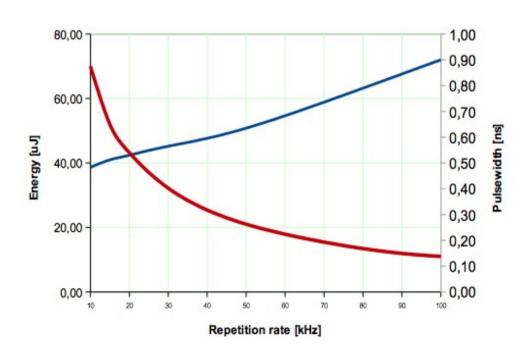
@1064 @532 @355 @266 nm



<500 ps @ 10 kHz



 $8 \times 9 \times 19 \text{ cm}^3 - 2 \text{ kg}$



Options:

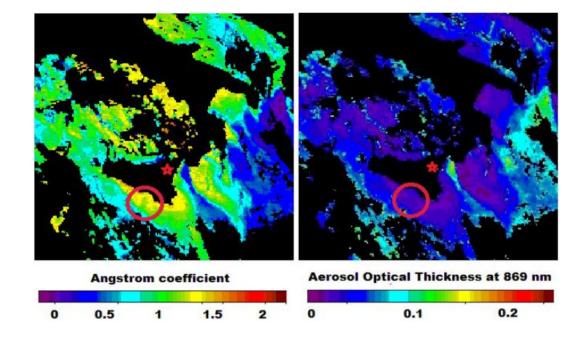
Third and fourth harmonic generation
Parametric generation at 1..5 um and 3 um
Single Shot to 10 kHz
Beam Expanding and collimation optics
Red aiming beam
Circular Polarization
AC-DC Power Supply

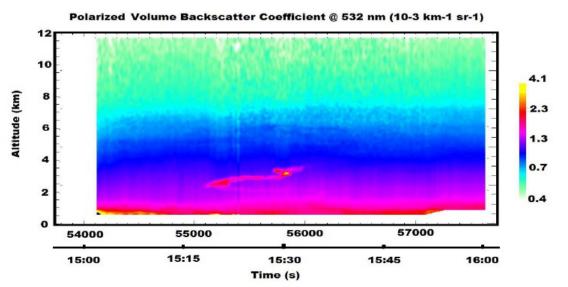
RAMNI airborne lidar



zones over Italy)



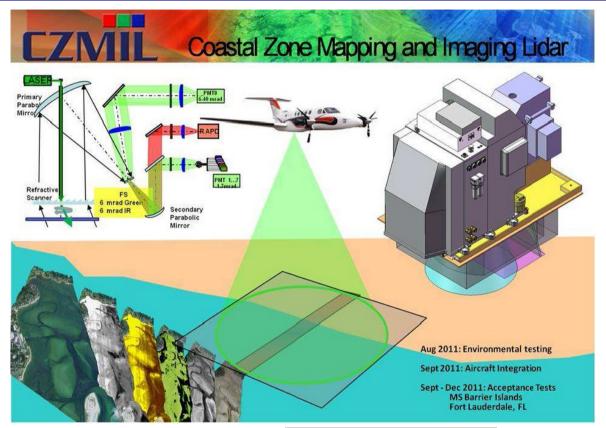




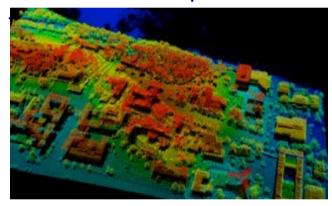


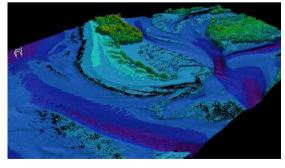


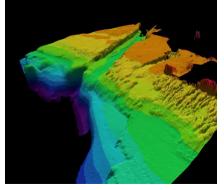
CZMIL (Coastal Zone Mapping and Imaging Lidar)



Combining topographical and bathymetric LIDAR enables survey to be taken of coastline, giving the maximum overlap between







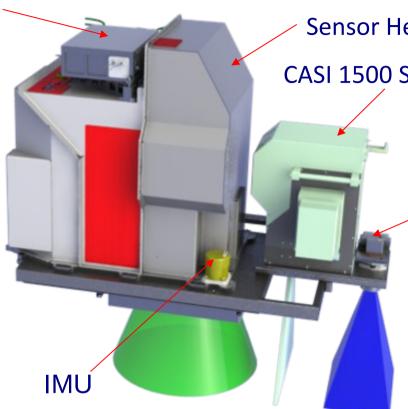
Surveying the shallow areas around the cost would be difficult and time consuming with standard multibeam echosounder survey. With airborne LIDAR large areas can be flown in a short period of time, obtaining snapshots of coast at specific time intervals.

Optech



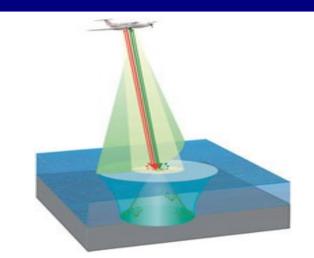
CZMIL hardware

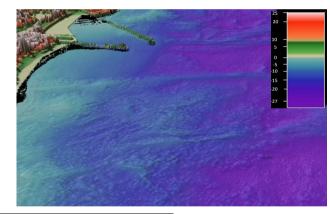
BS Laser



Sensor Head Chassis
CASI 1500 Spectrometer

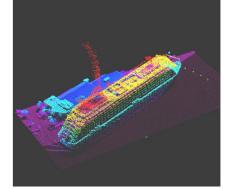
Optech T-4800 Metric Camera (16 Mpixel)





Optech CZMIL is an innovative airborne coastal zone mapping system that produces simultaneous high resolution 3D data and imagery of the beach and shallow water seaflor. Radiation at 532 nm is well suited for transmission through the water while 1064 nm radiation is strongly absorbed.





Optech

CZMIL laser





Pulse energy:

3 mJ @ 532 nm

2.5 mJ @ 1064 nm

Pulse duration: 2 ns

Peak Power: > 1 MW

Repetition rate: 10 kHz

Two collinear laser beams, 30 W @ 532 nm and 25 W @ 1064 nm are provided at laser output.

The beam at 532 nm detects the seafloor while the beam at 1064 detects the sea surface.



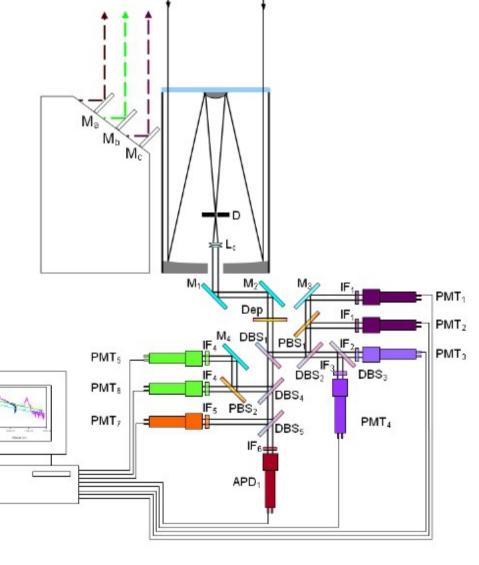


AMPLE

(Aerosol Multi-wavelength Polarization Lidar Experiment)

A new lidar system for the characterization of highly polluted urban areas (co-operation between CNISM — Beijing Research Institute of Telemetry) and volcanic emission monitoring (a co-operation between CNISM and INGV/INAF)



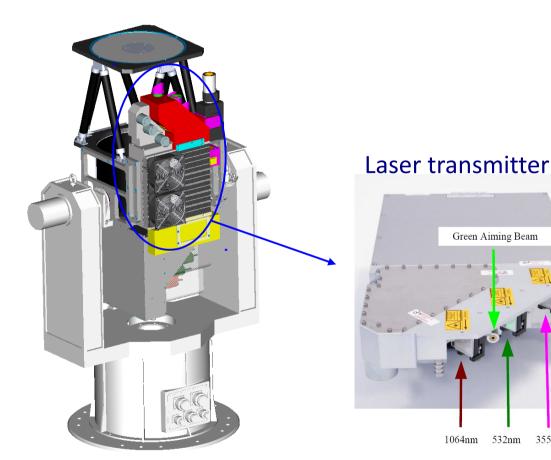




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(Aerosol Multi-wavelength Polarization Lidar Experiment)

Designed to perform 3D measurements by scanning the atmosphere along the azimuth and the zenith angles with a scanning of 10° s⁻¹ and a precision better than 1'.



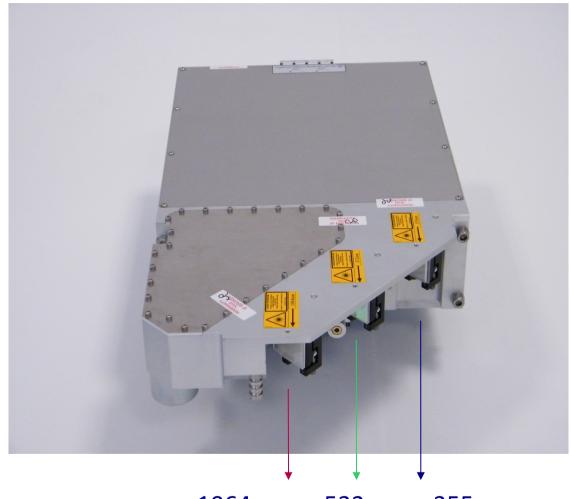
Two units of the AMPLE have been realized for the Beijing Research Institute for Telemetry and the National Geophysics and Volcanology (Catania, Italy).





532nm

CNISM-BRIT laser



1064 nm 532 nm 355 nm

Pulse duration: 1 ns

Repetition rate: 1 kHz

Pulse energy:

@ 532 nm: **1.5 mJ**

@ 1064 nm: 1 mJ

@ 355 nm: > **0.6 mJ**

Three output beams at 1064 nm, 532 nm and 355 nm are individually selectable.





Conclusions

- ✓ Wedge family DPSS lasers and pWedge platform particularly suited for LIDAR applications for short pulse durations (< 500 ps in Wedge XF), pulse energies (up to 4 mJ in Wedge XB lasers), compactness and ease of integration</p>
- ✓ Even shorter pulse durations for higher spatial resolutions are under investigation (Wedge and Pico series)
- ✓ Laser sources initially born for micromaching applications, rugged and thought for uninterrupted 24-hours a day operation have been adapted to meet requirements for aerospace applications, in terms of compactness, weight and higher level of integration
- Compactness and integration produced positive feedback also in the industrial market applications
- ✓ Nowadays the trend is to offer air-cooled single-box solutions, thus integrating all optics and driving electronics together





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