

# Minilite™ PIV

## Nd:YAG Laser for Dual Pulse Applications



### MINILITE™ PIV FEATURES & BENEFITS

Safety Interlocks to ensure correct water flow, level, and temperature

No need for an external water hook-up, the system is completely self-contained

A built-in TTL interface for convenient external control

A decoupled kinematic mounted resonator structure ensures long-term thermal and mechanical stability

Very compact package

# MINILITE<sup>TM</sup> PIV SPECIFICATIONS

| DESCRIPTION                              | MINILITE™ PIV |  |
|--|---------------|--|
| Repetition Rate (Hz)                     | 1-15          |  |
| Energy (mJ)                              |               |  |
| 1064 nm                                  | 50            |  |
| 532 nm                                   | 25            |  |
| Pulsewidth¹ (nsec)                       |               |  |
| 1064 nm                                  | 4-6           |  |
| 532 nm                                   | 3-5           |  |
| Divergence <sup>2</sup> (mrad)           | <b>&lt;</b> 3 |  |
| Jitter <sup>3</sup> (±ns)                | 0.5           |  |
| Energy Stability 4 (±%)                  |               |  |
| 1064 nm                                  | 2; 0.7        |  |
| 532 nm                                   | 3; 1.0        |  |
| Beam Spatial Profile (fit to Gaussian) 5 |               |  |
| Near Field (<1 M)                        | 0.70          |  |
| Far Field (∞)                            | 0.95          |  |
|  |               |  |

Two lasers are built on a single compact platform, providing symmetrical output beam at 532 nm, that consists of two pulses with equivalent energy, beam uniformity and polarization. An alternative configuration is available if orthogonal output polarizations are required in consecutive pusles. Temporal separation can be varied from <10 nsec to >100 nsec to measure most flow distributions.

Minilite ™ PIV- Continuum's compact turnkey PIV system

The Minilite™ PIV system is based on Continuum's proven Q-switch Nd:YAG technology. The system is a miniaturized Surelite package providing 10's of mJ in each pulse at 532 nm.

The system offers excellent beam quality, long term stability and increased overall reliability. The ease of operation and safety features, as well as long lifetime, make the Continuum PIV system an excellent choice for your dual pulse application.

### NOTES

- 1. Full width half max
- 2. Full angle for 86% (1/e  $^{\scriptscriptstyle 2})$  of energy
- 3. With respect to external trigger
- 4. The first value represents shot-to-shot for 99.9% of pulses, the second value represents RMS
- 5. A least squares fit to Gaussian profile
  A perfect fit would have a coefficient of 1

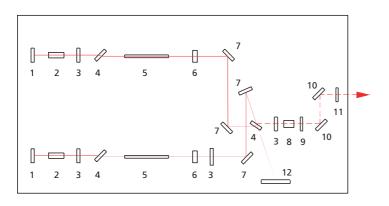
All specifications at 1064 nm unless otherwise noted. As a part of our continuous improvement program, all specifications are subject to change without notice.



### **M**ECHANICAL AND **U**TILITIES

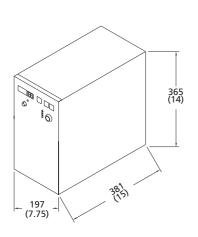
| Size                                     | Optical Head (LxWxH) | 431.8 x 203.35 x 63.5 mm (17 x 8 x 2.5 in.)   |
|--|----------------------|---|
|  | Power Supply (LxWxH) | 381 x 197 x 365 mm ( 15 x 7.75 x 14 in. )   |
| Weight                                   | Optical Head         | 3.6 kg (8 lbs)  |
|  | Power Supply         | 14.5 kg (32 lbs) each of two  |
| Water Service                            |                      | Closed loop water to air heat exchanger: external cooling water not required (10 oz. DI water per PS) |
| Electrical Service<br>(Specify on Order) |                      | 110 V (4 A)   |
|  |                      | 220 V (2 A) 50/60 Hz  |
| Room Temperature                         |                      | 18.3 to 29.4° C (60 to 85° F)   |
| Umbilical Length                         |                      | 3.0 m ( 9 ft 10 in.)  |

### MINILITE™ PIV OPTICAL LAYOUT



- 1. Rear Mirror
- 2. Pockels Cell
- 3. Wave Plate
- 4. Polarizer
- 5. Rod
- 6. Output Coupler
- 7. IR Mirror
- 8. Second Harmonic Generator
- 9. Window
- 10. 532 nm Mirrors
- 11. Optional Lens
- 12. Beam Dump

# MINILITE<sup>™</sup> PIV PHYSICAL LAYOUT All dimensions in mm (inches)



431.80 (17.0)26.92 223.27 (1.1)(8.8) (8.0) 101.75 (4.0) 228.60 (9.0) 101.75 (4.0)330.20 (13.0)63.50 \_ (2.5)OPTICAL HEAD PACKAGE

MINILITE™ PIV System includes two power supplies



