

1 Main Features

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- High absorption coefficient at 981 nm and stimulated emission cross-section.
- Extremely low quantum defect and broad polarized output (1023–1060 nm).
- High slope efficiency with diode pumping.
- Large gain bandwidth and small quantum defect.
- Customizable Yb doping levels for diverse applications.



2. Material General Description

Ytterbium-doped Potassium Gadolinium Tungstate (Yb:KGW) is a monoclinic crystal known for its broad emission bandwidth, making it suitable for ultrafast laser applications. It features high thermal conductivity, enabling efficient heat dissipation under intense laser pumping conditions. The unique structural properties of Yb:KGW allow operation with high doping concentrations, minimizing quantum defects. These characteristics ensure low lasing thresholds, high efficiency, and superior performance for femtosecond lasers, CW lasers, and regenerative amplifiers.

3. General Applications and Examples

Yb:KGW crystals are widely used in:

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- 1. **Femtosecond Lasers**: Enable pulse durations below 100 fs, crucial for ultrafast spectroscopy and high-precision micromachining.
- 2. **CW Lasers and Mode-Locked Lasers**: Deliver stable and efficient output for scientific and industrial applications.
- 3. **Thin-Disk Lasers**: High gain bandwidth and excellent thermal conductivity make Yb:KGW ideal for thin-disk laser designs.
- 4. **Diode Laser Pumping**: The broad absorption spectrum at 981 nm ensures compatibility with commercial laser diodes.
- 5. **Medical Applications**: Provide high-powered outputs for advanced surgical techniques and diagnostics.

| Property | Value |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Crystal Structure | Monoclinic |
| Point Group | C2/c |
| Lattice Parameters (Å) | a = 8.09, b = 10.43, c = 7.588, β = 94.4° |
| Density | 7.27 g/cm ³ |
| Melting Point | 1075 °C |
| Mohs Hardness | 5 |
| Thermal Conductivity (W/m·K) | K_100 = 3.4, K_a = 2.6 |
| Thermal Expansion Coefficients | a = 4 × 10^-6 K^-1, b = 8.5 × 10^-6 K^-1 |

4. Chemical, Physical, and Structural Properties

5. Optical and Laser Properties

| Property | Value |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Lasing Wavelength | 1023–1060 nm |
| Absorption Bandwidth | 981 nm (FWHM 3.7 nm) |
| Fluorescence Lifetime | 600 μs (5% doping) |
| Stimulated Emission Cross-Section | 3 × 10^-20 cm² (@ 1030 nm) |
| Refractive Index (1067 nm) | n_x = 2.033, n_y = 2.037, n_z = 1.986 |

6. Spectrum Transmission Curve

The absorption and emission spectra highlight the broad bandwidth at 981 nm and efficient emission around 1030 nm, suitable for femtosecond and thin-disk lasers.

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7. Coating Specification

- AR coatings available for 1030/980 nm configurations.
- Reflectance: R < 0.2% @ 1030 nm; R < 0.5% @ 980 nm.
- Custom coating specifications can be provided upon request.

8. Standard Fabrication Specifications

| Parameter | Specification |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Orientation | [010] |
| Standard Dopant Level | 5 at.% |
| Maximum Length | 50 mm |
| Dimensional Tolerances | Diameter: ±0.1 mm, Length: ±0.5 mm |
| Surface Quality (Scratch/Dig) | 20/10 |
| Surface Flatness | λ/6 @ 633 nm |
| Parallelism | 20 arc sec |
| Perpendicularity | ≤15 arc min |



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9. POC Strength and Capabilities

Photonics On Crystals (POC) excels in the production of high-quality Yb:KGW crystals tailored for advanced laser applications. Our state-of-the-art facilities ensure precise doping, superior surface quality, and reliable performance. POC supports customization to meet specific project requirements and guarantees prompt delivery with stringent quality control.

Face Dimensions Length **End Faces** Doping Coatings Price (USD) 3 × 3 mm 10 mm Brewster-angle cut 1% Uncoated \$590 5 × 5 mm 5 mm Right-angle cut 2% AR 980/1030 nm \$640 3 × 3 mm Brewster-angle cut 3% Uncoated \$590 2 mm 5% AR 980/1030 nm \$640 5 × 5 mm 5 mm **Right-angle cut** Custom Size Custom Any Custom Custom Request

10. Standard Products