

POC-OC-122468-Barium Nitrate Crystal Datasheet

1 Main Features

- Transparency range from 350 nm to 1800 nm
- Raman frequency shift of 1048 cm^{-1}
- High Raman gain, ideal for nanosecond applications
- Low absorption and stable properties
- Custom crystal dimensions and coatings available upon request



2. Material General Description

Barium Nitrate Crystal ($\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2$) is a cubic crystal known for its high Raman gain coefficient, making it one of the most efficient materials for Raman laser applications in nanosecond steady-state regimes. The material exhibits a broad transparency range (350 nm to 1800 nm) and moderate damage thresholds, making it suitable for applications requiring "eye-safe" radiation in the 1.59 μm range. Despite its advantages, its relatively low thermal conductivity ($1.17 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$) and high thermo-optic coefficient ($\text{dn}/\text{dT} = -20 \times 10^{-6}/\text{K}$) can lead to thermal lensing, requiring careful thermal management during operation. Barium Nitrate Crystal is hygroscopic and should be handled with care.

3. General Applications and Examples

Barium Nitrate Crystals are used in a range of Raman laser systems. Typical applications include:

- **Raman Lasers:** External cavity Raman lasers, especially for systems utilizing Q-switched Nd:YAG lasers.
- **Eye-Safe Lasers:** Generation of 1.59 μm radiation aligned with the CO₂ absorption line, suitable for lidar and environmental monitoring.
- **Nanosecond Raman Shifters:** Ideal for generating high-power radiation in nanosecond regimes due to its exceptional Raman gain coefficient (47 cm/GW @ 532 nm).

For these applications, the crystal's high transparency and Raman frequency shift make it an indispensable material for advanced photonics solutions.

4. Chemical, Physical, and Structural Properties

Property	Value
Chemical Formula	Ba(NO ₃) ₂
Crystal Structure	Cubic, P-2 ₁ 3
Lattice Parameters	a = b = c = 8.11 Å
Density	3.25 g/cm ³
Mohs Hardness	2.5–3
Transparency Range	0.33–1.8 μm
Refractive Index @ 1064 nm	1.5559
Thermal Conductivity	1.17 W·m ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹
Thermal Expansion Coefficient	13 × 10 ⁻⁶ / K
Thermo-Optic Coefficient (dn/dT)	-20 × 10 ⁻⁶ / K
Raman Frequency Shift	1048 cm ⁻¹
Raman Linewidth	0.4 cm ⁻¹
Raman Gain	47 cm/GW @ 532 nm
Laser-Induced Damage Threshold	> 10 J/cm ² @ 1064 nm, 10 ns

5. Optical and Nonlinear Optical Properties

Optical Property	Value
Raman Frequency Shift	1048 cm ⁻¹

Raman Gain	47 cm/GW @ 532 nm, 11 cm/GW @ 1064 nm
Transparency Range	0.33 μm – 1.8 μm
Damage Threshold	10 J/cm ² @ 1064 nm, 10 ns
Refractive Index	1.5559 @ 1064 nm

6. Spectrum Transmission Curves

The transparency curve for Barium Nitrate Crystals reveals a broad operational range from 350 nm to 1800 nm, ideal for applications in visible and near-infrared wavelengths.

7. Coating Specifications

Coating Type	Range	AR Coating Efficiency
AR Coating	500–700 nm	< 0.2% reflectance

Other coating options are available upon request.

8. Standard Fabrication Specifications

Specification	Value
Orientation	[110]
Clear Aperture	> 85%
Face Dimensions Tolerance	± 0.05 mm
Length Tolerance	± 1 mm
Parallelism	< 5 arcmin
Perpendicularity	< 10 arcmin
Protective Chamfers	< 0.25 mm at 45°
Surface Quality	40-20 S-D
Coating	AR @ 500–700 nm

9. POC Strength and Capabilities

Photonics On Crystals (POC) specializes in the manufacturing and customization of high-quality Barium Nitrate Crystals. With decades of experience in material fabrication, we provide:

- Expertise in thermal management and optical coatings.

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- Customization services for various dimensions and coatings.
- High-precision manufacturing processes.
- Rapid delivery and technical support for specialized applications.

10. Standard Products

Face Dimensions	Length	Coatings	Price (USD)
5 × 5 mm	15 mm	AR @ 500–700 nm	\$870
5 × 5 mm	30 mm	AR @ 500–700 nm	\$1050
8 × 8 mm	45 mm	AR @ 500–700 nm	\$1240
8 × 8 mm	75 mm	AR @ 500–700 nm	\$1410
Custom	Custom	Upon Request	Upon Request

This datasheet provides a comprehensive overview of the technical properties and applications of Barium Nitrate Crystals. For further inquiries, contact **Photonics On Crystals**.