

Photonics On Crystals

POC-OC-122483-Fe²⁺/ZnS Crystal Datasheet

1 Main Features

- Wide tunability in the mid-IR spectrum (2.5–4.0 μm).
- High optical gain and low non-radiative losses, making it ideal for laser systems.
- Excellent thermal and mechanical properties for high-power applications.
- Durable and chemically stable for long-term use in industrial and medical environments.
- Customizable dimensions and coatings to meet various application needs.



2. Material General Description

Fe $^{2+}$ /ZnS crystals are doped zinc sulfide crystals specifically engineered for high-performance midinfrared (mid-IR) laser systems. These crystals are characterized by their wide transparency range (0.4–12 µm) and strong absorption/emission properties in the mid-IR range, particularly from 2.5–4.0 µm. The doping of ZnS with iron ions enhances its optical gain and minimizes non-radiative losses, resulting in high-efficiency laser output. Fe $^{2+}$ /ZnS crystals exhibit excellent thermal stability, mechanical durability, and chemical resistance, making them suitable for challenging environments. These properties, combined with their versatility and customizability, make Fe $^{2+}$ /ZnS an indispensable component for mid-IR laser technology and spectroscopy applications.



3. General Applications and Examples

1. Mid-IR Laser Systems:

Fe²⁺/ZnS crystals are utilized as active laser media in high-power mid-IR lasers for materials processing, enabling precise cutting and engraving of a wide range of materials.

2. Medical Laser Applications:

The crystals' mid-IR tunability and high optical gain make them suitable for medical applications like laser surgery and dermatological treatments, providing precise energy delivery with minimal thermal damage to surrounding tissues.

3. Spectroscopy and Gas Sensing:

Fe²⁺/ZnS crystals are key components in tunable laser systems for gas spectroscopy, environmental monitoring, and industrial diagnostics, especially in applications requiring detection of trace gases.

4. Optical Parametric Oscillators (OPOs):

These crystals are frequently used in OPO systems to generate coherent radiation in the mid-IR range, finding applications in scientific research, bioimaging, and defense.

5. Infrared Imaging Systems:

Fe²⁺/ZnS crystals contribute to high-performance thermal imaging systems for surveillance, military, and industrial purposes, where accurate imaging in the mid-IR range is essential.

4. Chemical, Physical, or Structural Properties

Property	Value	
Chemical Formula	ZnS with Fe ²⁺ doping	
Density	4.09 g/cm ³	
Thermal Conductivity	~27 W·m ⁻¹ ·K ⁻¹	
Melting Point	~1700°C	
Hardness	~3.5 (Moh's scale)	
Crystal Structure	Cubic	
Refractive Index	~2.3	
Orientation	<111>, <110>, <100>	
Cleavage Plane	<111>	

5. Optical, Laser, or Nonlinear Optical Properties

Property	Value
Transparency Range	0.4–12 μm

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Emission Wavelength Range	2.5–4.0 μm
Absorption Cross-Section	High
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Pump Wavelength Range	~1.9–2.1 μm
Laser Damage Threshold	>500 MW/cm ²

6. Spectrum Transmission Curves

The transmission spectrum of Fe²⁺/ZnS crystal showcases excellent transparency over a wide wavelength range, with strong absorption and emission properties in the mid-IR region. Detailed graphs depicting transmission curves are available upon request.

7. Coating Specification

- Anti-Reflection Coating: Custom coatings optimized for 2.5–4.0 μm range with reflectance
 <0.5%.
- Durable Coatings: Coatings designed to withstand harsh environmental conditions and prolonged laser exposure.
- Specialized Coatings: Tailored coatings available for specific laser applications.

8. Standard Fabrication Specifications

Specification	Value
Dimensional Tolerance	±0.05 mm
Surface Quality	40-20 (scratch-dig rating)
Surface Flatness	λ/8 @ 632.8 nm
Parallelism	<30 arcsec
Bevel	<0.25 × 45°
Diameter Range	Up to 100 mm
Thickness Range	1–10 mm

9. POC Strength and Capabilities

Photonics On Crystals (POC) specializes in high-quality Fe²⁺/ZnS crystals for advanced photonics and laser applications. POC leverages cutting-edge fabrication technologies to produce custom solutions tailored to meet the unique requirements of industrial, scientific, and medical clients. Our rigorous quality control ensures reliable, high-performance products for demanding applications.

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10. Standard Products

Product	Dimensions	Price (USD)
Fe ²⁺ /ZnS Laser Rods	10–50 mm length	\$1,200–\$6,000
Fe ²⁺ /ZnS Optical Windows	20–100 mm diameter	\$2,000-\$9,000
Fe ²⁺ /ZnS Gain Mediums	Custom dimensions	\$3,500-\$16,000
Customization Options	Available on request	Contact for quote