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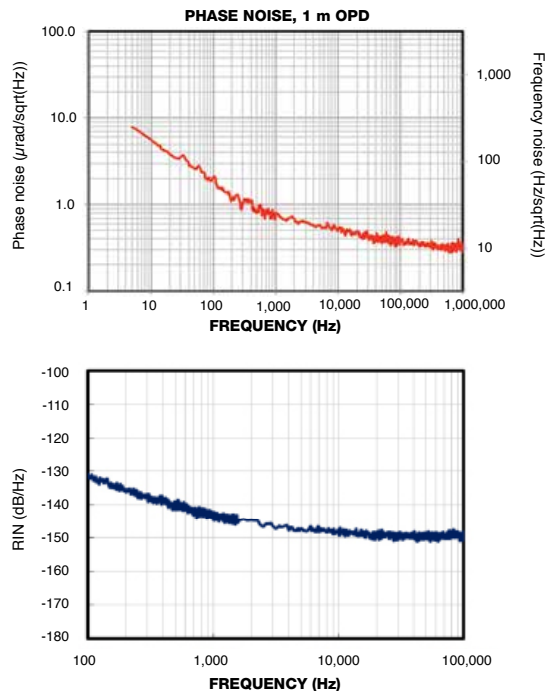
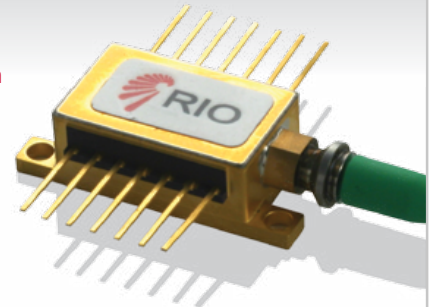
RIO PLANEX™ External Cavity Laser

A high performance narrow linewidth source capable of deployment in OEM applications suitable for volume production

The PLANEX™ product series are high performance and industry-proven single frequency External Cavity Lasers (ECL) based on RIO's proprietary planar technology - **PLANEX™**. The PLANEX laser consists of a gain chip and a planar lightwave circuit (PLC) that includes a Bragg grating. The coupling of these components forms a cavity with significant benefits, with up to 20mW output power, very low RIN, ultra low phase noise and narrow linewidth, and very low wavelength sensitivity to bias current and temperature.

The PLANEX's industry-standard footprint, mounting pattern and electrical connections make it an easy drop-in replacement for existing systems, or upgrading in performance grades within the PLANEX family. RIO's PLANEX lasers are the next generation of optical solutions – combining the high performance of long cavity fiber lasers, with the low cost, simplicity and Telcordia GR-468-qualified reliability of semiconductor lasers.

The PLANEX's higher output power, low noise and ultra narrow linewidth ideally position this semiconductor optical solution for multiple applications where absolute accuracy, lifetime reliability over demanding field conditions, and high resolution are vital, such as remote sensing, distributed temperature, strain, or acoustic fiber optic monitoring, high resolution spectroscopy, LIDAR and other precision metrology applications.



KEY FEATURES

- Single longitudinal mode
- Ultra low phase noise & RIN
- Low sensitivity to vibration & acoustic noise
- Narrow linewidth (< 1 kHz), long coherence length
- 1530nm-1565nm, ITU-T DWDM wavelength or custom
- Guaranteed mode hop free operation over life & temperature
- Wavelength tunability
- Unrivaled wavelength stability over life & temperature
- Excellent SMSR
- SMF or PMF pigtail options
- CW, modulated and pulsed operations
- 0-70°C operating case temperature
- Telcordia GR-468 Qualified
- RoHS Compliant

Performance Highlights

PARAMETER	MIN	MAX	UNIT
Output Power	10	20	mW
Center Wavelength (ITU grid)	1530	1565	nm
Thermal wavelength tuning range	30		pm
Relative Intensity Noise		-140	dB/Hz
Polarization Extinction Ratio	20		dB
Modulation bandwidth	DC	100	kHz
Direct frequency modulation range, at 10kHz	200		MHz
Operating temperature range	0	+ 70	°C
Optical Isolation	40		dB

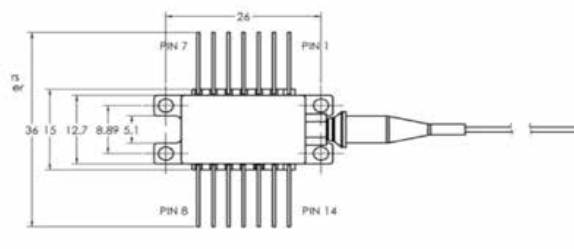
PARAMETER	Grade 1	Grade 3	Grade 4	UNIT
Spectral Linewidth (Lorentzian)	≤15	≤5	≤2	kHz
Phase Noise Typical @ 200 Hz	22	8	4	μrad/rt-Hz 1 m OPD

APPLICATIONS

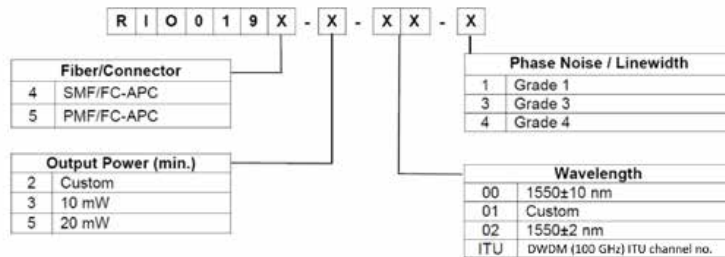
- Acoustic and seismic sensing
- Defense and security
- Oil & Gas – exploration and production
- LIDAR and remote sensing
- Interferometric fiber optic sensing
 - Metrology
- RF and microwave photonics
- Coherent communication

Mechanical Diagram

Units: mm



Ordering Information



Laser Safety Information

The ORION RIO PLANEX is classified as FDA/CDRH Class IIb laser products per CDRH, 21 CFR 1040 laser safety requirements.