



# LightWire Series

## Ultrafast Fiber Lasers

**FPS200**

1064 nm, 200 mW, 50 nJ  
10 ps, 25 kHz – 50 MHz

**FFS100CHI**

1030 nm, 50 mW, 8 nm, 7 ps (chirped pulse)  
50 MHz, compressible down to <300 fs

**FFS200**

1064 nm, 200 mW, 5 nJ, <130 fs, 40 MHz



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# LightWire SERIES

The LightWire fiber lasers feature turn-key operation, monolithic design and require no maintenance making it a preferred alternative to the solid state counterparts in the industrial settings and multidisciplinary research laboratories. Different versions, featuring femtosecond and picosecond pulse durations are available.

LightWire FPS and FFS series fiber lasers are dedicated for seeding solid state (Nd:YAG, Yb:YAG) amplifiers. Compact, cost efficient FPS series models deliver sub-10 ps pulses at 1064 nm wavelength with the average output power up to 200 mW and pulse energy up to 50 nJ. They feature narrow close to bandwidth limited spectrum and low pulse amplitude noise. Wavelength tunability ensures that seed pulses are always spectrally overlapped with the amplification spectrum of your amplifier. FFS series models are specially designed for femtosecond CPA systems. Ekspla offers FFS lasers either with femtosecond pulse duration directly from fiber, or with chirped pulses.

Broad up to 12 nm spectral bandwidth enables amplification of pulses with <300 fs compressed duration. Special feature of FFS200CHI laser is customizable chirp profile to match compressor design of the CPA system. LightWire FP and FF series lasers are dedicated for researchers and OEM Integrators, who require small, convenient and maintenance free sources with bandwidth limited picosecond pulses or sub-150 fs femtosecond pulses. Widely tunable pulse repetition rate 20 kHz – 50 MHz makes it an excellent choice for non-linear microscopy, time-resolved spectroscopy, terahertz spectroscopy, ultrafast metrology applications.

## SPECIFICATIONS FOR STANDARD LASER CONFIGURATIONS

Not all output specifications may be available simultaneously. Please refer to the catalog page for exact specifications and available options.

Model	Central wavelength	Pulse duration	Output power	Pulse energy	Repetition rate	Page
<b>FPS10</b>	1064 nm tunable $\pm 0.2$ nm	$2.3 \pm 0.3$ ps	1.5 mW	30 pJ	50 MHz	3
<b>FPS100</b>	1064 nm tunable $\pm 0.2$ nm	$7 \pm 1$ ps	80 mW	1.6 nJ	50 MHz	3
<b>FPS200</b>	1064 nm tunable $\pm 0.2$ nm	$9 \pm 1$ ps	200 mW	50 nJ	25 kHz–50 MHz	3
<b>FFS100CHI</b>	1030 nm	$7 \pm 2$ ps (linearly chirped)	50 mW	1 nJ	50 MHz	6
<b>FFS200CHI</b>	1030 nm	>50 ps (custom chirp profile)	200 mW	250 nJ	200 kHz – 50 MHz	6
<b>FFS200</b>	1064 nm	<130 fs	200 mW	5 nJ	40 MHz	6

**TABLE REPRESENTING PULSE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY  
IMPLEMENTED IN VARIOUS FIBER LASER MODELS AND MODIFICATIONS**

Model	Oscillator only	Oscillator + frequency divider	Oscillator + frequency divider + amplifier
FPS10	■		
FPS10-AOM		■	
FPS100	■		
FPS100-AOM		■	
FPS200			■
FFS100CHI	■		
FFS100CHI-AOM		■	
FFS200CHI			■
FFS200	■		
FFS200-AOM	■	■	

### ORDERING INFORMATION FOR FPS AND FFS SERIES

Model	Control interfaces:	Optical output:	Pulse picker option:	SESAM type:	Mounting type:	Fiber length:	Note:
<b>FPS 100-AOM-L3-M0-C9-WL</b>	— → standard interfaces WL → standard interfaces + WLAN	FC → FC/APC fiber output C9 → 0.9 mm collimated beam C13 → 1.3 mm collimated beam C21 → 2.1 mm collimated beam	— → no pulse picker AOM → acousto-optical modulator		M0 → compact M1 → 19" rack mountable	L1 → 1 m L2 → 2 m L3 → 3 m L5 → 5 m	For FPS200 model maximal fiber length is 3 m.
<b>FFS 100 CHI-AOM-CS-L3-M0-C9-WL</b>	— → standard interfaces WL → standard interfaces + WLAN	FC → FC/APC fiber output C9 → 0.9 mm collimated beam C13 → 1.3 mm collimated beam C21 → 2.1 mm collimated beam	— → no chirp CHI → linearly chirped	CS → non rotatable	M0 → compact M1 → 19" rack mountable	L1 → 1 m L2 → 2 m L3 → 3 m L5 → 5 m	For FFS200 model maximal fiber length is 1.4 m.
							For FFS200CHI model maximal fiber length is 3 m.

# LightWire FPS series

Compact  
Fiber Seeders for  
Picosecond Lasers



**LightWire FPS** series fiber lasers are dedicated for seeding solid state Nd:YAG amplifiers. Compact, cost efficient FPS series models deliver sub-10 ps pulses at 1064 nm wavelength with the average output power up to 200 mW and pulse

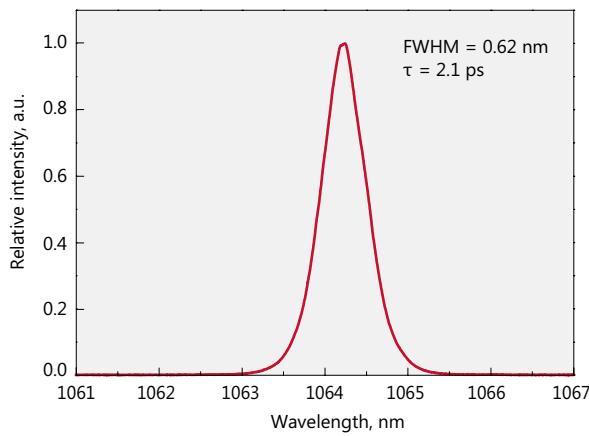
energy up to 50 nJ. They feature narrow close to bandwidth limited spectrum and low pulse amplitude noise. Wavelength tunability ensures that seed pulses are always spectrally overlapped with the amplification spectrum of your amplifier.

## FEATURES

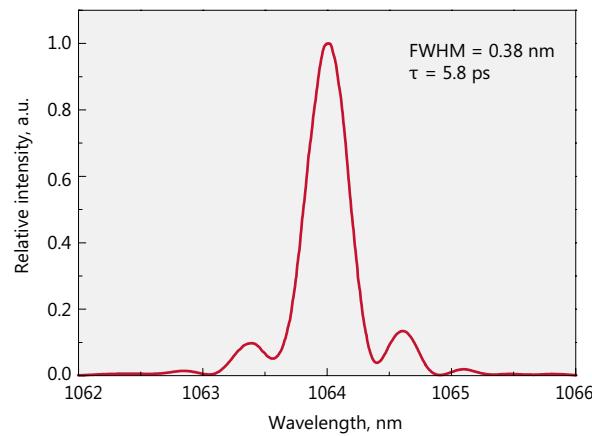
- ▶ Pulse energy >50 nJ at repetition rate <1 MHz
- ▶ Sub-10 ps pulse duration
- ▶ Close to Fourier-transform limited spectral bandwidth
- ▶ Integrated fiber pulse picker for flexible repetition rate control (25 kHz – 50 MHz, burst mode available)

## APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Seeding solid state amplifiers



Typical spectrum from FPS10 laser



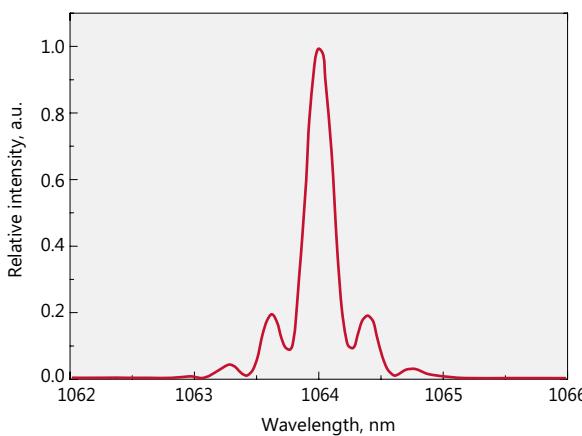
Typical spectrum from FPS100 laser

SPECIFICATIONS <sup>1)</sup>

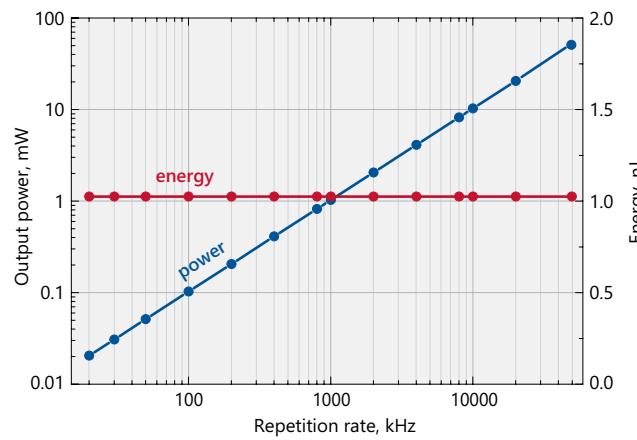
Model	FPS10	FPS100	FPS200
Central wavelength	1064 nm, tunable $\pm 0.2$ nm		
Pulse duration	$2.3 \pm 0.3$ ps	$7 \pm 1$ ps	$9 \pm 1$ ps
Spectral bandwidth	$0.7 \pm 0.2$ nm	$0.4 \pm 0.1$ nm	$0.25 \pm 0.05$ nm
Oscillator pulse repetition rate	$50 \pm 2$ MHz		
Pulse repetition rate with pulse picker <sup>2)</sup>	25 kHz – 50 MHz (PRR = PRR <sub>osc</sub> / N, N = 1, 4, 5, ..., 2000)		
Output power (without/with pulse picker)	> 1.5 mW / > 0.7 mW	> 80 mW / > 40 mW	> 200 mW at 10 MHz > 40 mW at 1 MHz > 5 mW at 100 kHz
Pulse energy (without/with pulse picker)	> 30 pJ / > 14 pJ	> 1.6 nJ / > 0.8 nJ	> 50 nJ at repetition rates < 200 kHz
Polarization	linear, > 100:1 extinction		
Optical output	FC/APC connector or collimator with mounting flange (optional)		collimator & isolator node <sup>3)</sup>
Output fiber length	up to 5 m		up to 3 m
Collimated beam diameter	$0.9 \pm 0.1$ mm or $1.3 \pm 0.1$ mm or $2.1 \pm 0.2$ mm		$0.9 \pm 0.1$ mm
Beam height	NA		38 mm
Beam quality	$M^2 < 1.1$		
Pulse train monitoring	photodiode output for oscillator train, TTL synch pulse for laser output (when pulse picker included)		
Dimensions of collimator (D × L)	$\varnothing 33 \times 11.76$ mm		
Control interface	USB, CAN, RS232, LAN, (WLAN option)		
Power supply (AC/DC adapter included)	100–240 V, 50–60 Hz AC		
Power consumption	maximal 230 W (typical 60 W)		
Operating conditions	10–30 °C, humidity – not condensing		

<sup>1)</sup> Due to continuous improvement all specifications are subject to change without notice.<sup>2)</sup> Pulse picker is an option for FPS10, FPS100 models. It supports external gating. FPS200 includes internal pulse picker.<sup>3)</sup> FPS200 model is provided with collimator & isolator node with dimensions 138×66.6×52 mm.

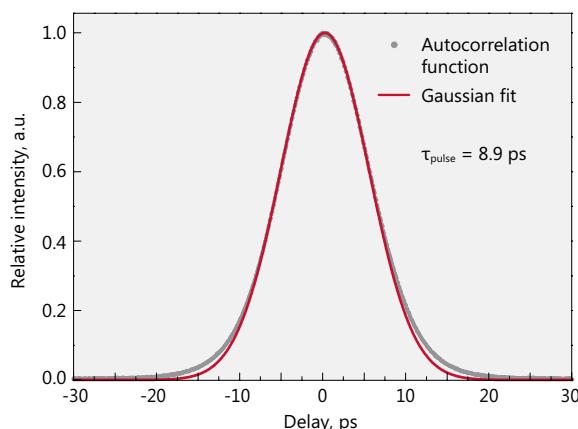
## PERFORMANCE



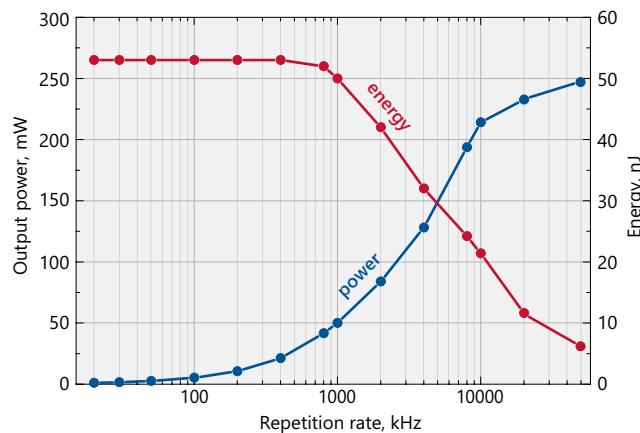
Typical spectrum from FPS200 laser



Typical dependence of average power (blue curve) and pulse energy (red curve) on the repetition rate for FPS100-AOM laser

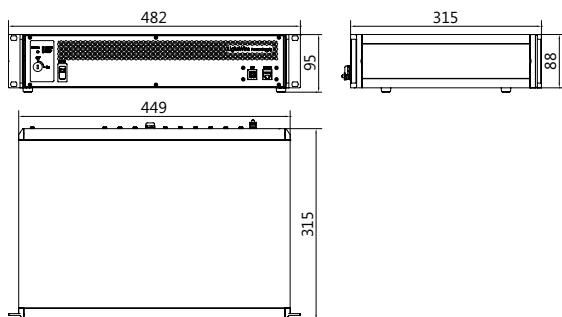
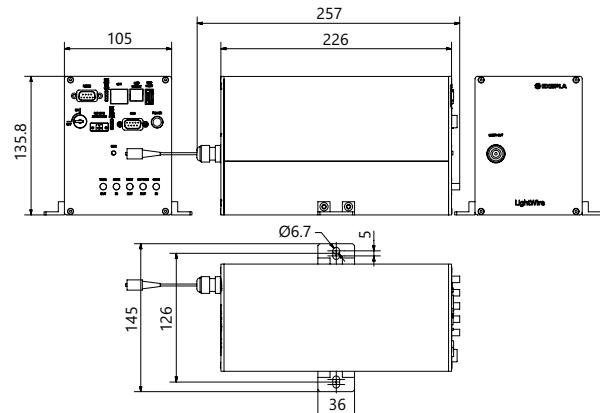
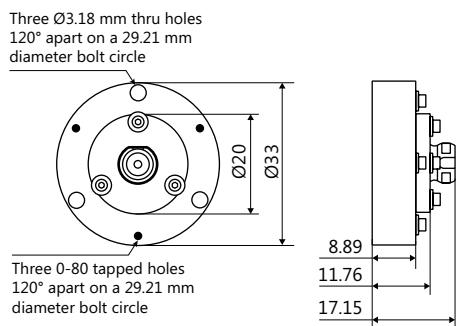


Typical autocorrelation curve of FPS200 laser

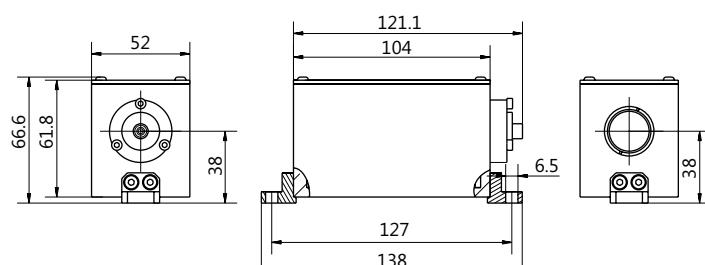


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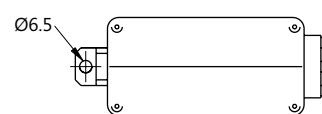
## DRAWINGS

LightWire FPS series control unit outline drawing  
(19" rack mountable version)LightWire FPS series "Compact" version drawing.  
Example only. Actual dimensions depends on a selected laser configuration and options. Please enquire

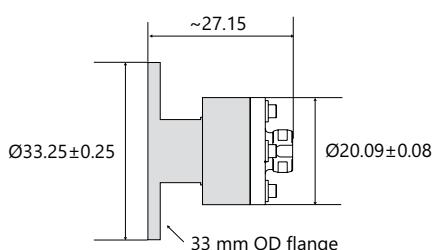
LightWire FPS10/100 laser collimator flange outline drawing for beam diameters 0.9 mm and 1.3 mm



LightWire FPS200 laser isolator &amp; collimator node outline drawing



All dimensions are in millimetres.



LightWire FPS10/100 laser collimator flange outline drawing for beam diameter 2.1 mm

# LightWire FFS series

Compact  
Fiber Seeders for  
Femtosecond Lasers



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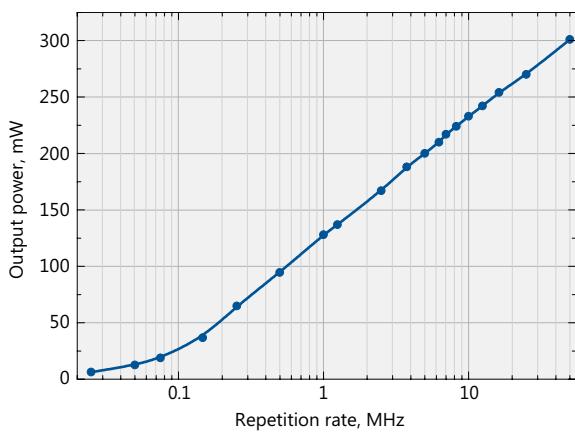
bandwidth enables amplification of pulses with < 300 fs compressed duration. Special feature of FFS200CHI laser is customizable chirp profile to match compressor design of the CPA system.

## FEATURES

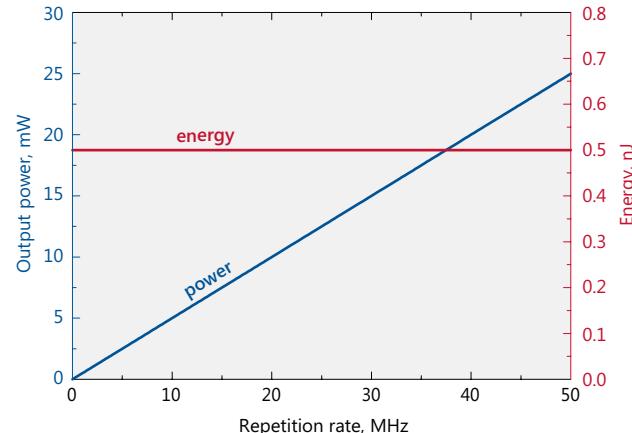
- ▶ Pulse energy > 250 nJ at repetition rate < 200 kHz
- ▶ Compressed or chirped broadband pulses
- ▶ Down to 300 fs pulses available after compression (for FFS100CHI and FFS200CHI)
- ▶ Pulse duration < 130 fs (for FFS200)

## APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Seeding femtosecond CPA systems
- ▶ Ultrafast spectroscopy
- ▶ Time-domain terahertz spectroscopy



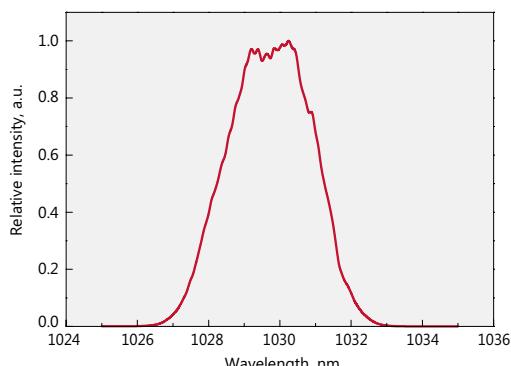
Typical dependence of average power on the repetition rate for FFS200CHI laser



Typical dependence of average power (blue curve) and pulse energy (red curve) on the repetition rate for FFS100CHI-AOM laser

SPECIFICATIONS <sup>1)</sup>

Model	FFS100CHI	FFS200CHI	FFS200
Central wavelength	$1030 \pm 1$ nm		1064 nm
Spectral bandwidth	$8 \pm 1$ nm	up to 12 nm	30 nm (typical)
Pulse duration from the laser	$7 \pm 2$ ps (chirped)	> 50 ps (chirped)	< 130 fs
Compressed pulse duration	<300 fs	down to 300 fs	NA
Chirp profile	linear	custom <sup>2)</sup>	NA
Oscillator pulse repetition rate	$50 \pm 3$ MHz		$40 \pm 2$ MHz
Pulse repetition rate with pulse picker <sup>3)</sup>	$25$ kHz – $50$ MHz ( $\text{PRR} = \text{PRR}_{\text{osc}} / N$ , $N = 1, 5, 6, \dots, 2000$ )	$200$ kHz – $50$ MHz ( $\text{PRR} = \text{PRR}_{\text{osc}} / N$ , $N = 1, 5, 6, \dots, 2000$ )	$20$ kHz – $40$ MHz ( $\text{PRR} = \text{PRR}_{\text{osc}} / N$ , $N = 1, 4, 5, \dots, 2000$ )
Output power (without/with pulse picker)	> 50 mW / > 25 mW	> 200 mW at 10 MHz > 100 mW at 1 MHz > 25 mW at 100 kHz	> 200 mW / > 100 mW
Pulse energy (without/with pulse picker)	> 1 nJ / > 0.5 nJ	> 250 nJ at repetition rates < 200 kHz	> 5 nJ / > 2.5 nJ
Polarization	linear, > 100:1 extinction		linear, > 10:1 extinction
Optical output	FC/APC connector or collimator with mounting flange (optional)	collimator & isolator node <sup>4)</sup>	FC/PC connector <sup>5)</sup> or collimated beam (optional)
Output fiber length	up to 5 m	up to 3 m	up to 1.4 m
Beam diameter	$0.9 \pm 0.1$ mm or $1.3 \pm 0.1$ mm or $2.1 \pm 0.2$ mm	$0.9 \pm 0.1$ mm	$2 \pm 0.2$ mm
Beam height	NA	38 mm	NA
Beam quality	$M^2 < 1.1$		$M^2 < 1.5$
Pulse train monitoring	photodiode output for oscillator train, TTL synch pulse for laser output (when pulse picker included)		
Dimensions of collimator (D × L)	$\varnothing 33.02 \times 11.76$ mm		
Control interface	USB, CAN, RS232, LAN, (WLAN optional)		
Power supply (AC/DC adapter included)	100–240 V, 50–60 Hz AC		
Power consumption	maximal 230 W (typical 60 W)		
Operating conditions	10–30 °C, humidity – not condensing		



Typical spectrum from FFS200CHI laser

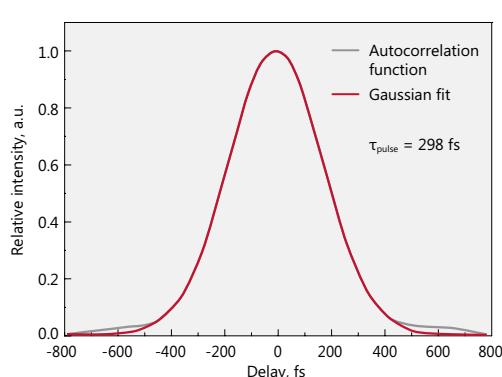
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<sup>2)</sup> Chirp profile will be optimized by Ekspla to match customer compressor design.

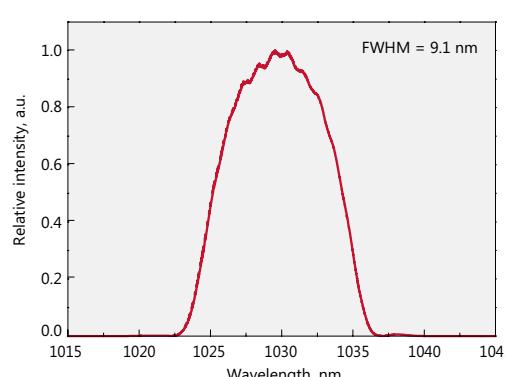
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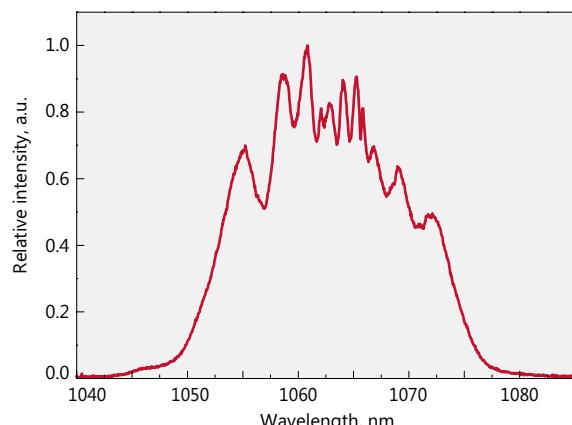
<sup>5)</sup> The connector is not suitable to connect with single mode fiber.



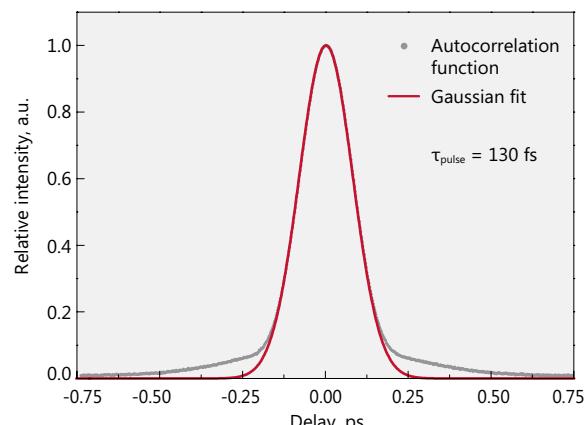
Typical FPS100CHI compressed pulse autocorrelation



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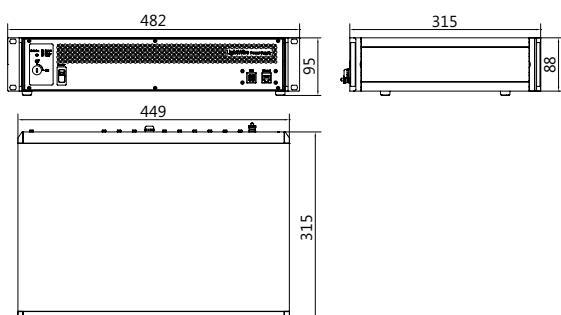
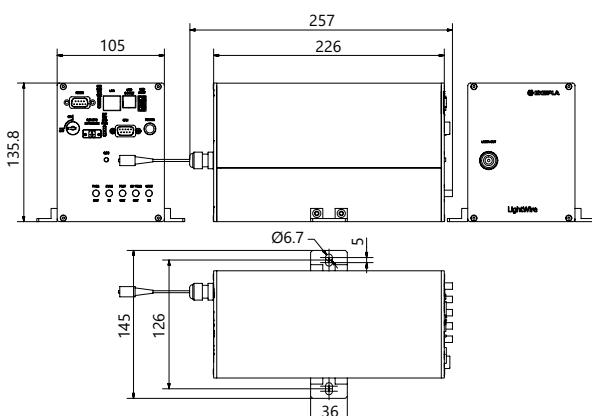
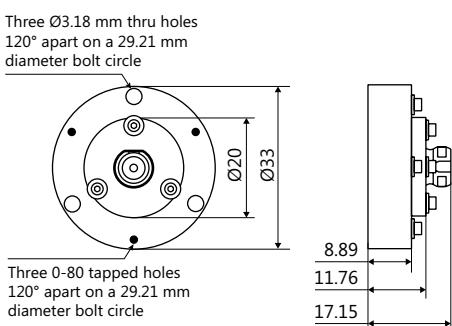


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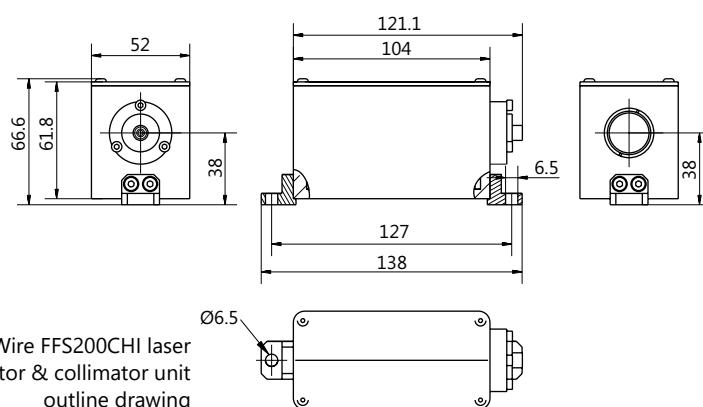


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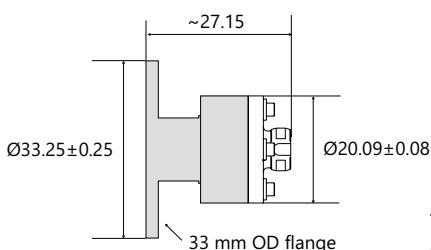
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LightWire FFS200CHI laser isolator &amp; collimator unit outline drawing



LightWire FFS100CHI/200 laser collimator flange outline drawing for beam diameter 2.1/2.0 mm

All dimensions  
are in millimetres.



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