

*Photodigm*

**D**istributed **B**ragg **R**eflector Lasers

The Laser Diode is the Instrument



Richardson, TX

# 基本概要

- Our company
- Product offerings
- Performance and reliability characteristics
- Emission wavelengths
- DBR structure
- Applications

# Photodigm Inc.

- Founded as a Texas Corporation by CEO John Spencer and CTO Gary Evans in early 2000
  - We aimed at opportunities with single frequency lasers.
  - Received NSF Phase IIB and Texas ETF grants to support commercialization
  - As part of a reorganization in 2010 to provide clear market focus on identified markets. Clinched position as leading supplier of spectroscopic lasers; OEM customers emerge.
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- Photodigm公司成立于2000年，创建人为John Spencer和Gary Evans。
  - 公司主要致力于研发和生产高功率、单频可调谐DBR激光器产品。
  - 公司曾多次受到美国国家自然科学基金和德州专项基金的资助。



# New Applications Require New Lasers



Automotive



Lab Research

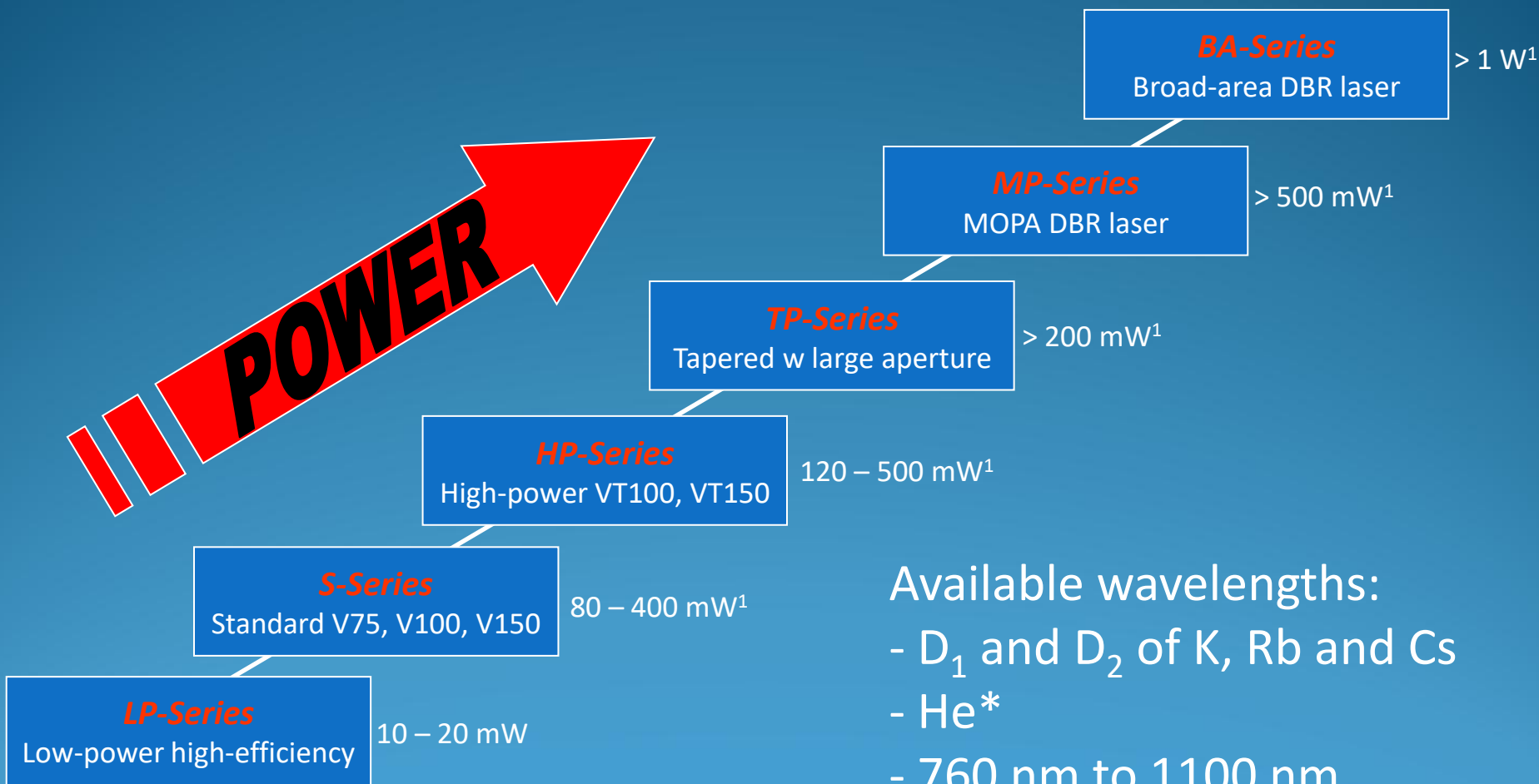


Medical  
Diagnostics



Consumer  
Handheld

# Single Frequency Laser Products



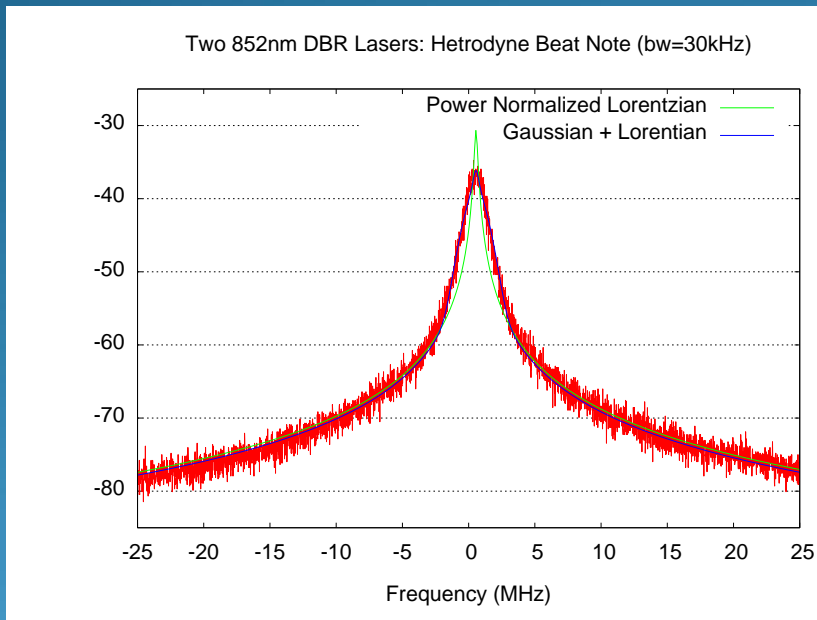
# 单频大功率输出

Emission wavelength (nm)	Slope efficiency (W/A)	Single-mode typical <i>cw</i> output power (mW)		
		LP	S	HP
1083	0.85	-	400	500
1064	0.72	-	400	500
976	0.72	-	250	400
920	0.68	-	200	300
852/895	0.85	<50	120	280
780/795	0.74	<50	80	180



# 超窄线宽

## Photodigm's V100 DBR lasers



Estimated linewidth<sup>1</sup> is 600 kHz

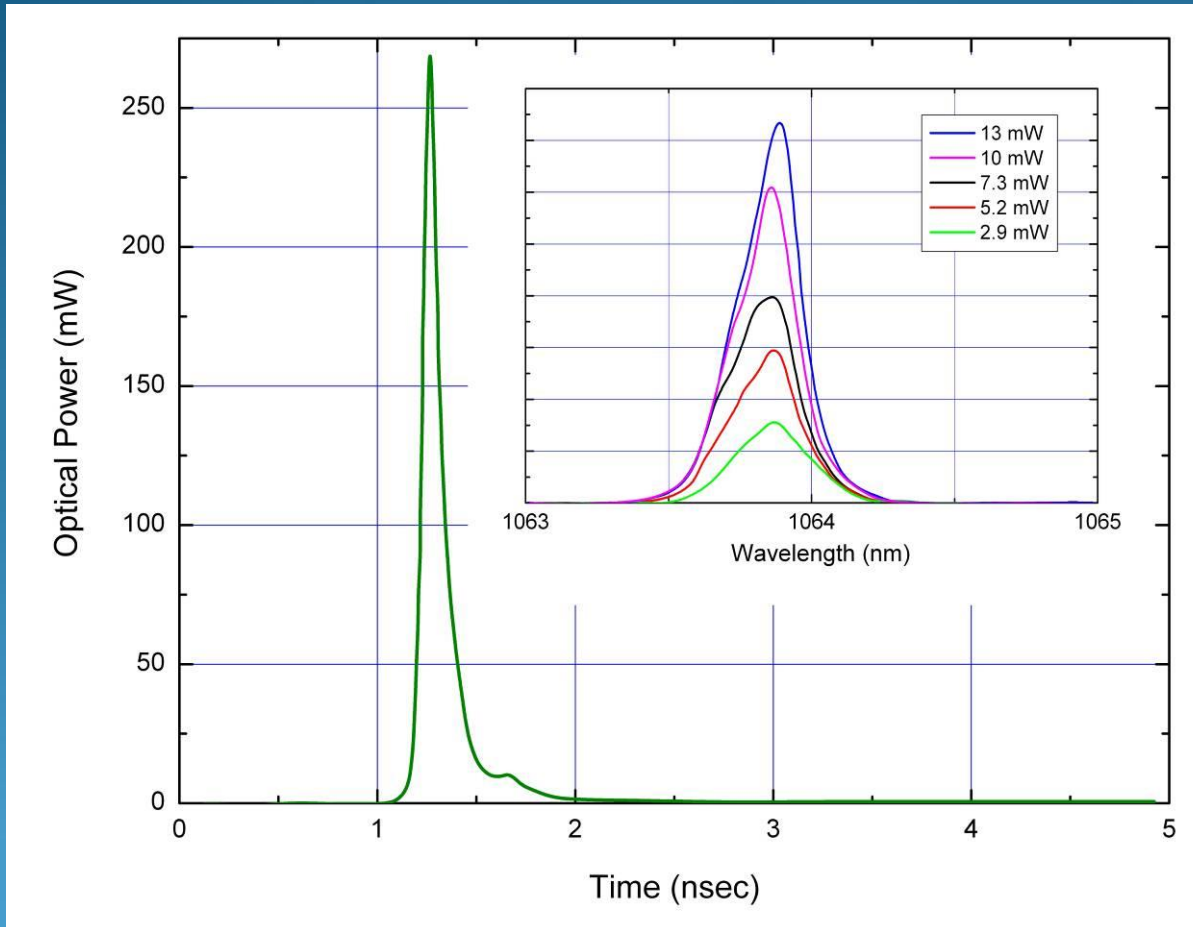
Hyperfine structure<sup>1</sup> of Rb

# 部分波长及应用

Wavelength (nm)	Applications	Customers
1083	He magnetometer, lung imaging	Medical, Defense
1064 / 976 920	Frequency doubling, YAG replacement, Frequency stabilized Er/Yb pump source	Defense, Industrial
852 / 895	Cs absorption spectroscopy; atomic clocks, Terahertz spectroscopy	Communication, Universities, and Research Centers
780 785/795	Rb absorption spectroscopy; atomic clocks, Raman spectroscopy	
767 / 770	K absorption spectroscopy; atomic clocks	



# ... *fast pulsing* 皮秒脉冲输出



Pulse Width  
< 100 ps

Spectral Width  
< 0.25 nm

# Temperature and Current Tuning

## 温度和电流调谐系数

Wavelength [nm]	Temperature Tuning Rate		Current Tuning Rate	
	[Å/°C]	[GHz/°C]	[Å/mA]	[GHz/mA]
780 / 795	0.60	30	0.026	1.3
852 / 895	0.65	27	0.032	1.3
920	0.75	27	0.018	0.64
976	0.75	24	tbd	tbd
1064	0.75	20	0.020	0.53
1083	0.78	20	0.030	0.77

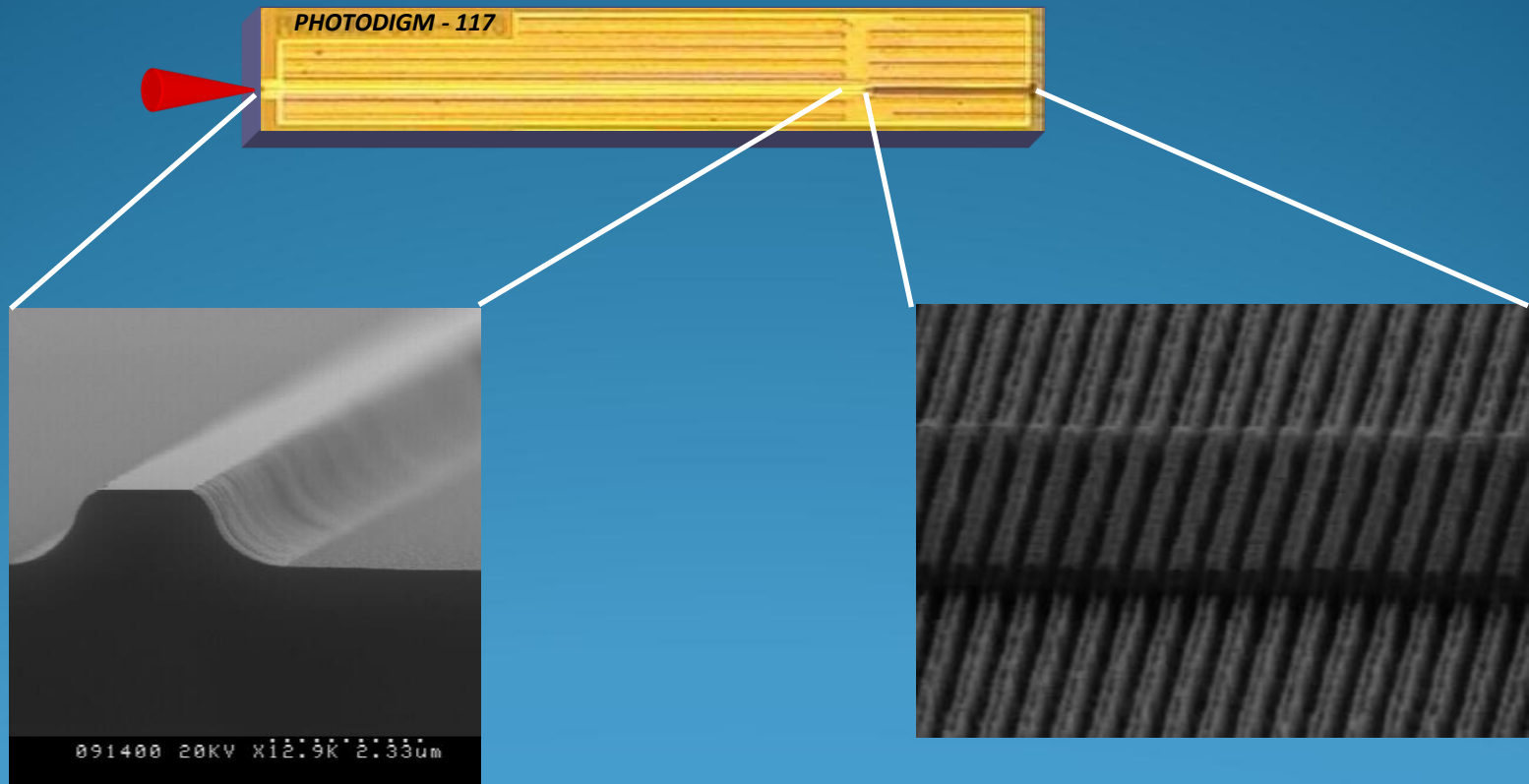
# ... *long lifetime* 超长的使用寿命

Wavelength	Operating Power	Operating Temperature	MTTF
780nm	60mW	25°C	54,400hrs
852nm	100mW	25°C	65,000hrs
920nm	60mW	25°C	452,000hrs
1064nm	400mW	25°C	244,000hrs
1083nm	100mW	25°C	350,000hrs

# 不同结构激光器之间的对比

	Power requirements	Narrow linewidth	Monolithic	Deterministic wavelength behavior over lifetime
VCSEL	输出功率较小			
VBG-LD		输出线宽较大		
ECDL			整体性差，对震动敏感。	
DFB				在使用寿命中波长的漂移较大，老化比较严重。
DBR	20-500mW	线宽0.5-1 MHz	光栅刻在内部，一体化设计	保证在整个寿命中波长可锁定在需要的位置

# DBR的整体结构

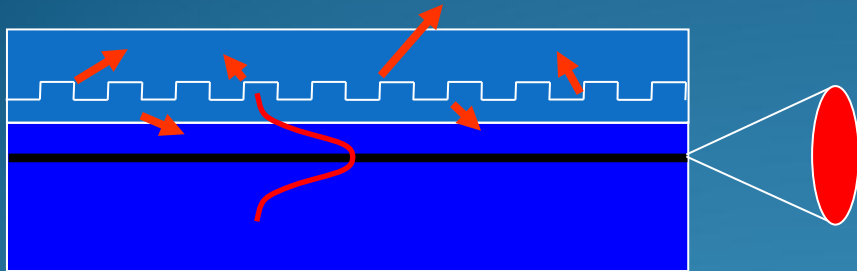


Gain region

Grating region

# DBR与DFB结构的对比

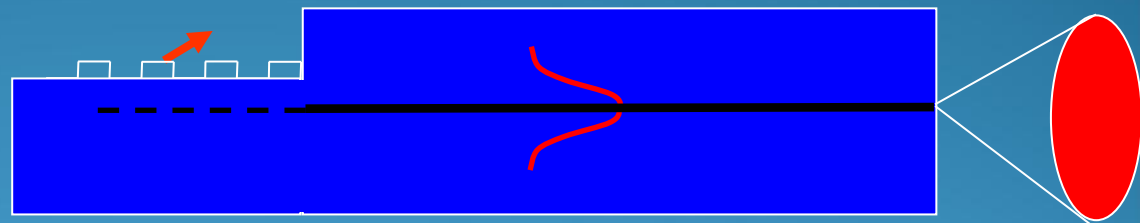
## DFB Laser



Re-growth Required  
High Internal Losses

为了制作光栅，DFB需要复杂的二次外延生长工艺，且光栅刻在有源层内部，易老化并且对光的耗散严重。线宽在2-10MHz之间。

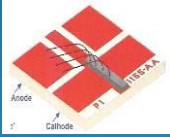
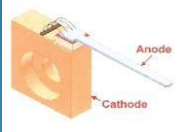

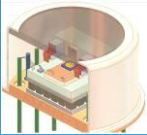

## DBR Laser



Single Growth  
Low Internal Losses

DBR采用单次外延生长工艺，一致性更好。光栅刻在有源层外部，不易老化，内部耗散小，输出功率更高更稳定。线宽在0.5-1MHz之间。

# 封装外形

	Package Type	Thermo-electric Cooler	Fiber Coupled
	CoS	no	no
	C-mount	no	no
	SOT-9	no	no
	TO-8	yes	no
	Butterfly	yes	yes

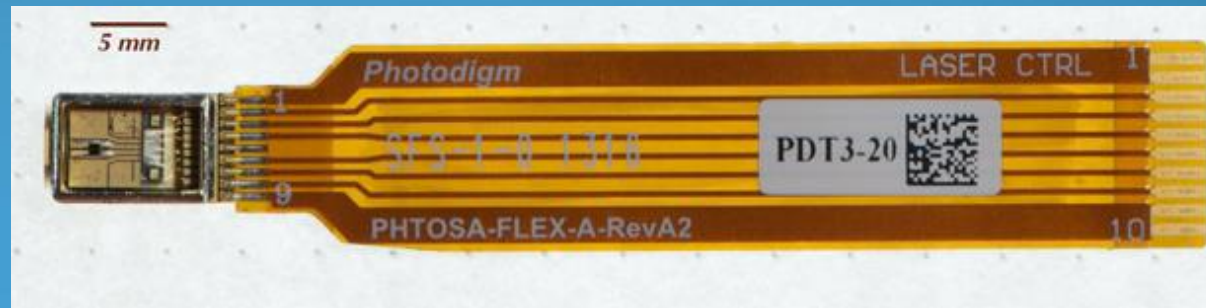


# 封装外形

## TOSA Mercury Package

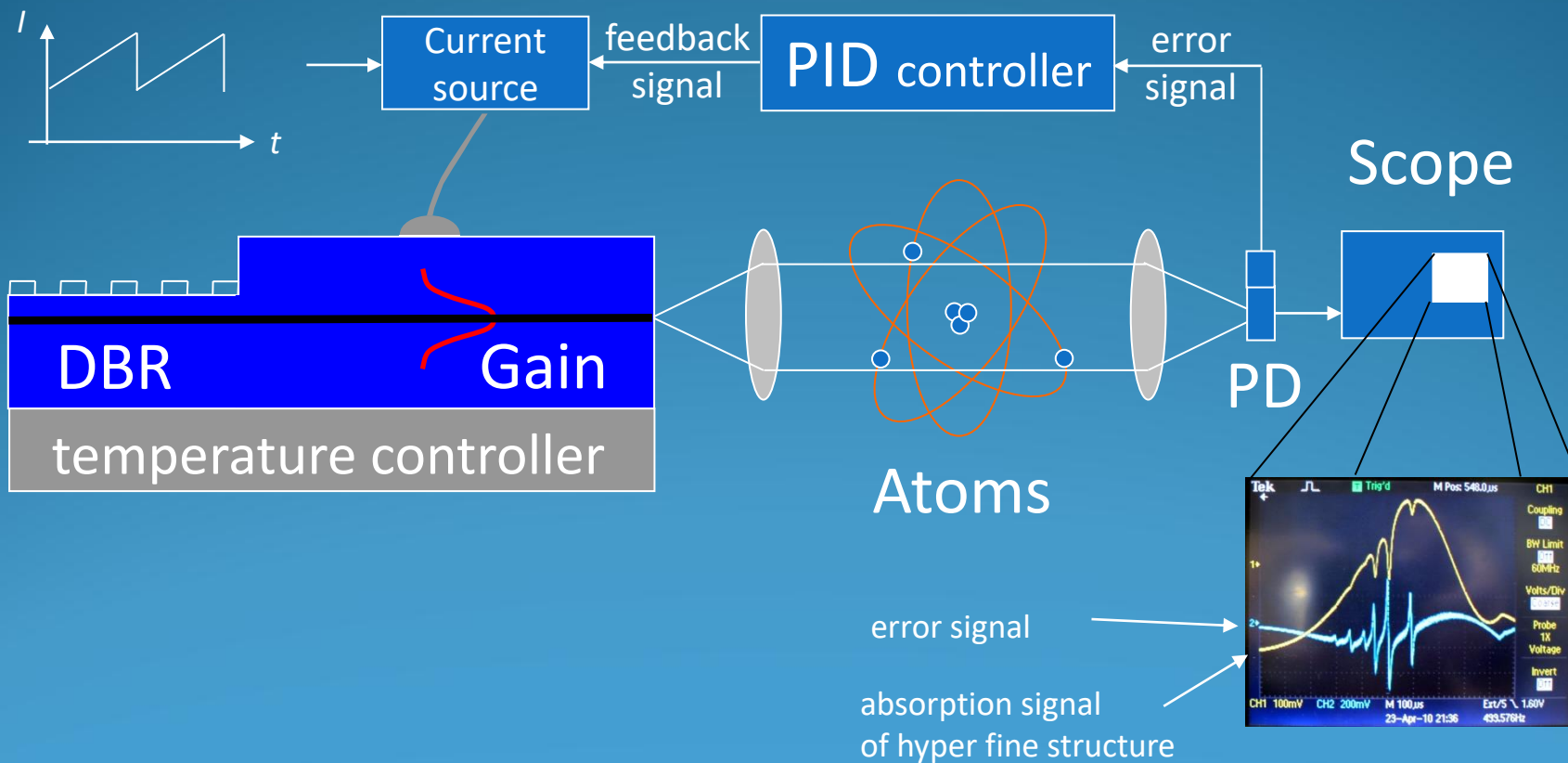
Designed for OEM use:

- High power handling
- Low thermal mass
- High speed modulation
- <0.5 cm<sup>3</sup>- volume



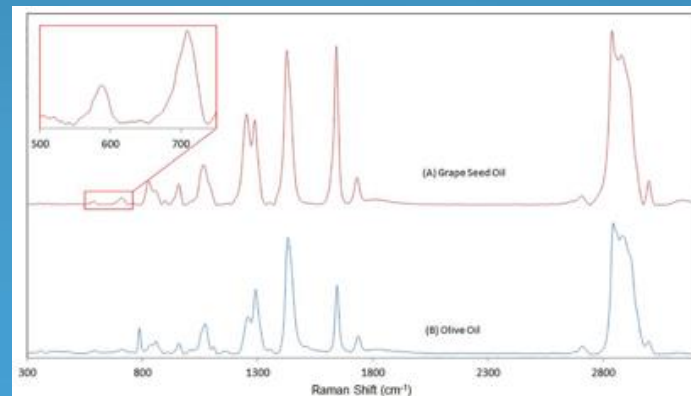
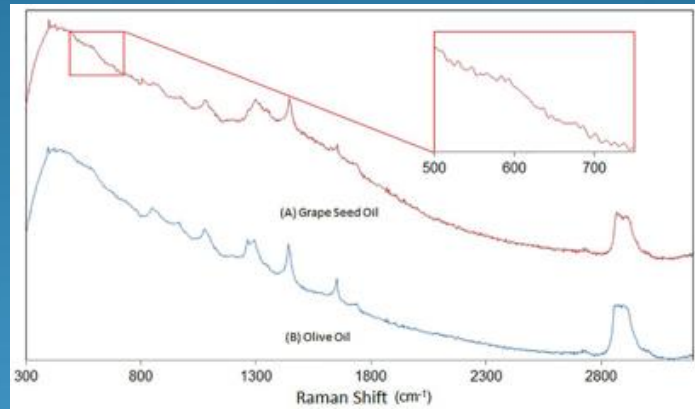
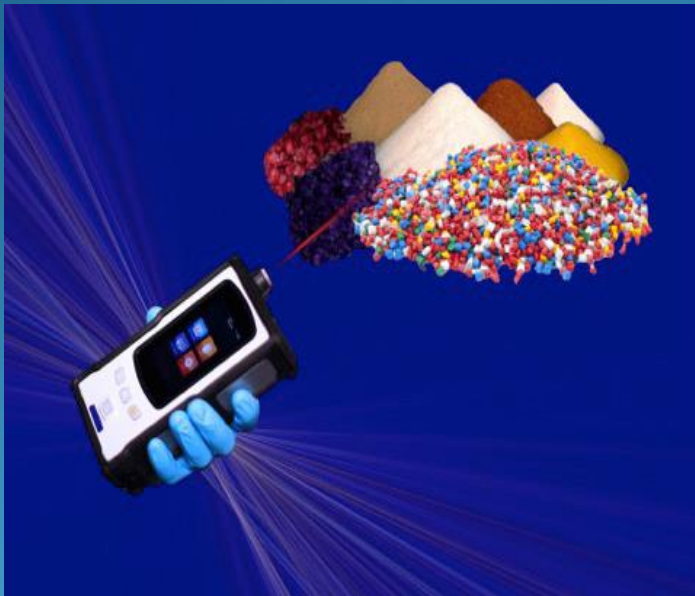
# 应用：原子冷却与囚禁、原子钟、重力计、磁力仪、原子陀螺仪

wavelength scanning  
by current ramping

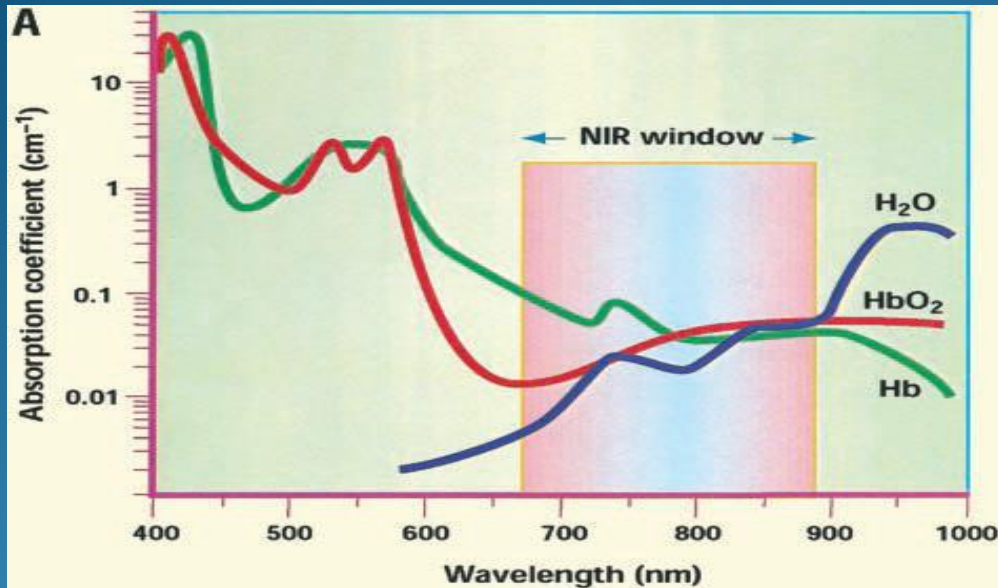


# 应用：Materials Characterization

Sequentially Shifted Excitation Raman Spectroscopy improves accuracy in Raman materials analysis

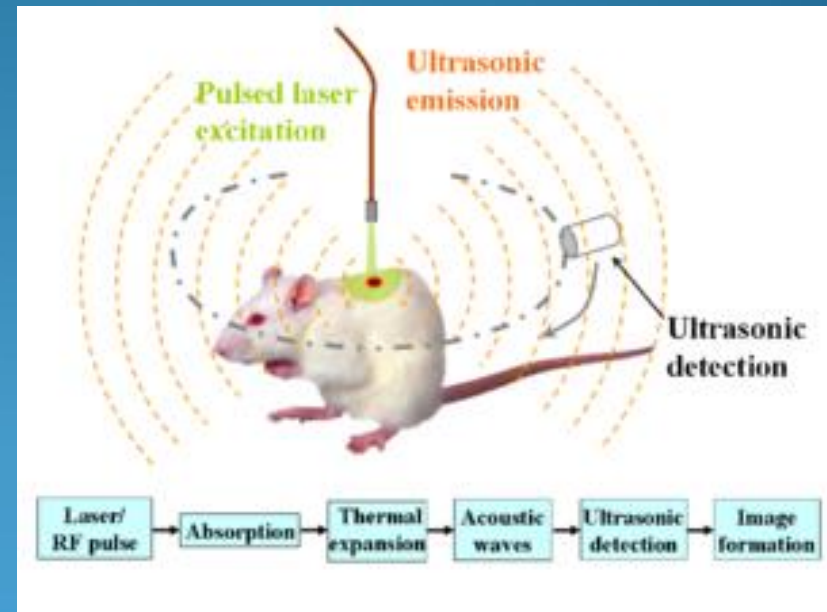


# 应用：Biological Imaging



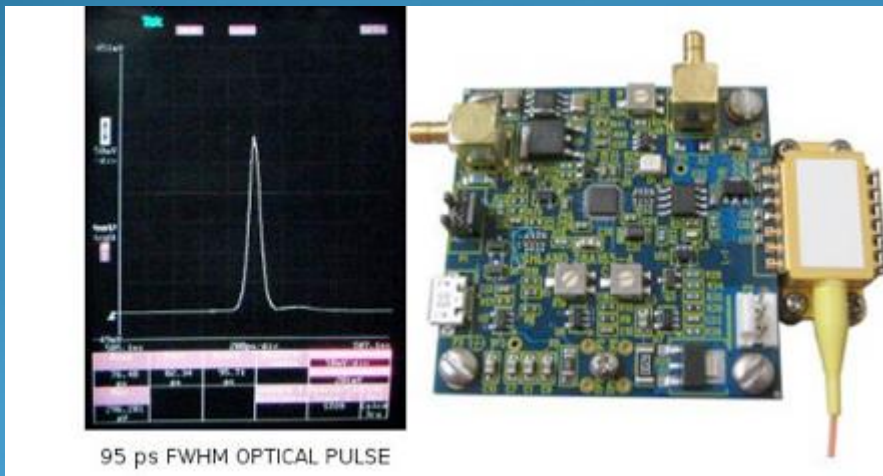
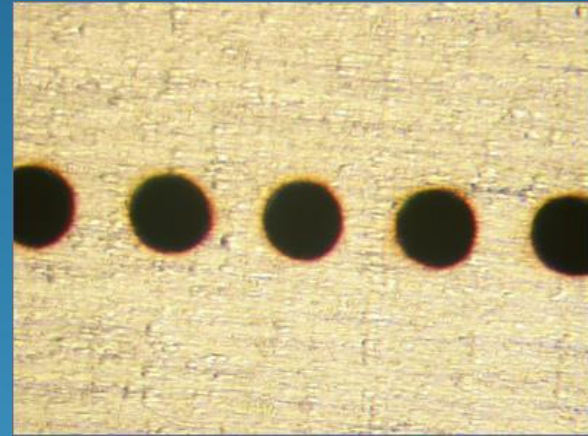
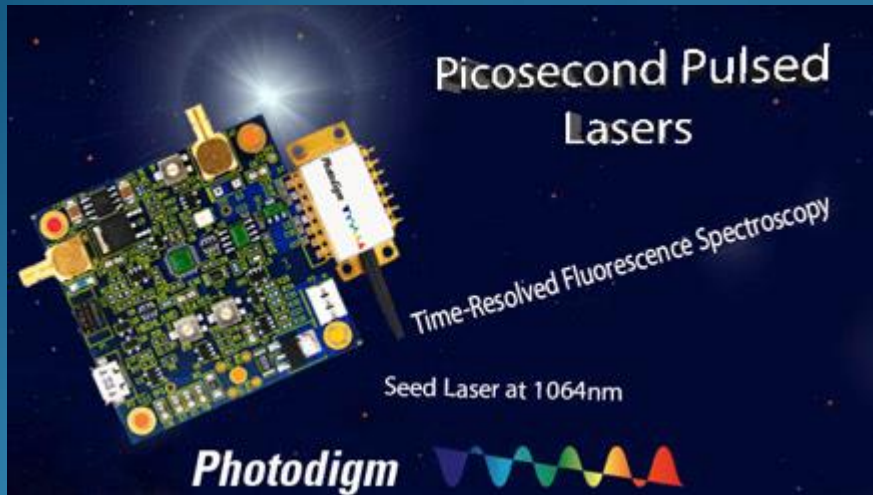
Probing the biological window between 800nm and 1000nm

- Photoacoustic tomography
- Speckle imaging
- Deep tissue optical coherence tomography
- Deep tissue blood perfusion monitoring



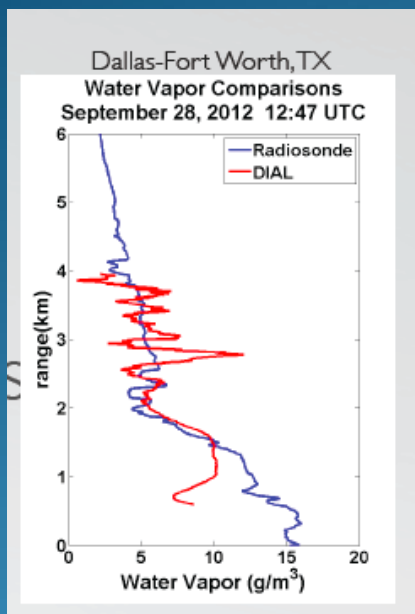


# 应用：Industrial Processing



1064 nm DBR with Highland Technology pulser board for seeding fiber amplifier with sub-100 psec pulses for laser ablative hole drilling

# 应用：Environmental Monitoring

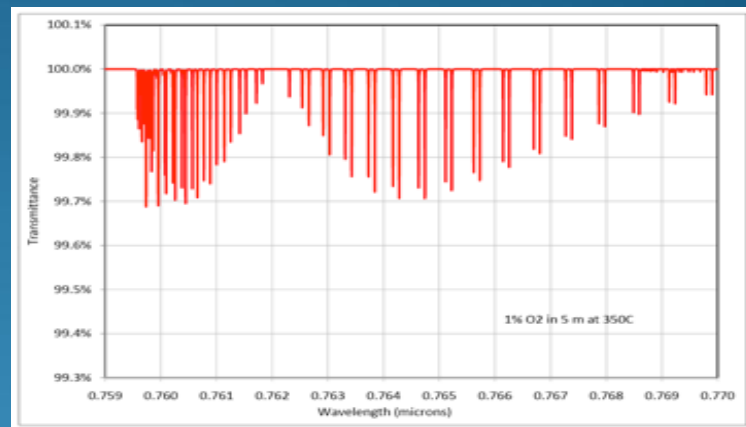


Differential Absorption LIDAR (DIAL) for measuring water vapor column in atmosphere, with NASA and NCAR

水汽探测：828.1nm



O2 Spectrum around 760 nm



Long Path Length O2 Absorption. Photodigm DBR lasers have the power to perform in Dusty combustion chambers. 氧气探测