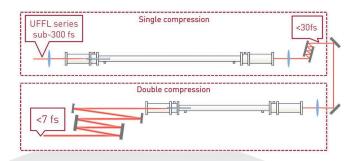


OPTIONS TO AFS PRODUCTS



OPTION NONLINEAR COMPRESSION (NC)

Nonlinear compression (NC) is an elegant way to shorten the pulse duration of pulses beyond the capabilities of the employed laser gain medium. It is characterized by highest beam quality and stability, power scalability and high efficiency. In addition, the technique perfectly fits to AFS fiber-based ultrafast laser systems in terms of mode-matching. NC can be applied to a large span of pulse energies ranging from μJ to several mJ, supports average powers in the kW-range and enables high quality few-cycle pulses when starting from pulses as long as 300 fs.



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Pulse energy	up to 1.5 mJ
Average power	up to 250 W
Pulse duration	< 30 fs (single stage), < 7 fs (double stage)
Polarization	linear
Beam quality	Close to diffraction-limited, M 2 < 1.3
Average power stability	<1% RMS
Pulse energy stability	<1% RMS
Beam pointing	<10 µrad RMS





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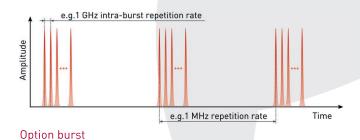


OPTION BURST

Materials processing at highest average power might lead to an unwanted thermal load into the work piece even when using femtosecond pulses. Applying a pulse burst structure instead of an energetic single pulse holds the promise to significantly reduce the thermal load, therefore, enhances processing quality and speed. AFS ultrafast fiber-laser systems can be operated in a patented burst mode with negligible variation of pulse duration over the burst and with a flexible pulse structure.

Number of pulses	2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128
Intra-burst repetition rate	up to 10 GHz
Variation of pulse duration	< 3% at 300 fs
Variation of pulse energy	< 5%

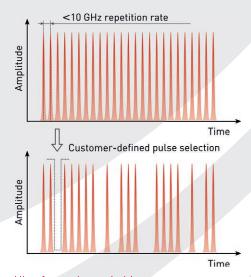
Burst Parameters



OPTION FAST SWITCH

As a part of AFS leading-edge fiber-laser technology, the fast pulse-switching feature provides an optional extension of the laser's capability.

Single-pulse selection can be achieved up to 10 GHz repetition rate with this patented technology. Full control over the pulse sequence is guaranteed on both their occurrence and their amplitude, which can be adapted to the customers needs. Most important, the ultrafast modulator works at highest average power levels (kW and beyond) without any detrimental effects on the laser characteristics.



Ultrafast pulse switching

