

# LASER OPTICS

**NEW**

Dedicated Laser Optics

## Manufacturing Center

▼ **34,000 sq. ft** of coatings, components, and assembly capabilities



# Laser Optics Manufacturing – From Prototype to Production

# Who We Are

Edmund Optics® designs and manufactures laser optics coatings, components, and assemblies optimized for high-power laser systems.

Edmund Optics® is here to guide you through your custom manufacturing needs.

From build-to-print manufacturing, to full custom design and manufacturing, to off-the-shelf products for quick prototyping, Edmund Optics® has been offering a wide range of solutions for **30+ years**.



## Optical Coatings

Edmund Optics® designs and deposits coatings with a high laser damage threshold (LDT) through advanced process control and monitoring of manufacturing parameters, including cleanliness and coating repeatability.

## Custom Manufacturing

Our engineers design and fabricate custom laser optics including mirrors, crystals, lenses, filters, polarizers, prisms, beamsplitters, beam expanders, aspheric lenses, focusing objectives, and more in both prototype and volume production quantities.

## High Laser Damage Thresholds

Edmund Optics® has over 30 years' experience producing high LDT optics. An in-house laser testing lab allows for internal process improvement and verification of laser damage threshold. Ultraviolet, visible, infrared, and ultra-fast laser sources are employed to test optics in a wide range of use cases.

**>200,000**  
Laser Optics Sold Per Year

**8** Factories  
US (Florida, Arizona, New Jersey), Germany, Japan, China, Malaysia, & Singapore

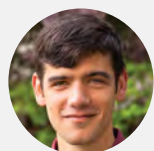
**240+**  
Engineers

**4** Design Centers  
US (Arizona, New Jersey), China & Germany

**1250+**  
Employees

**35+**  
Trade Shows & Virtual Events  
Exhibits Per Year

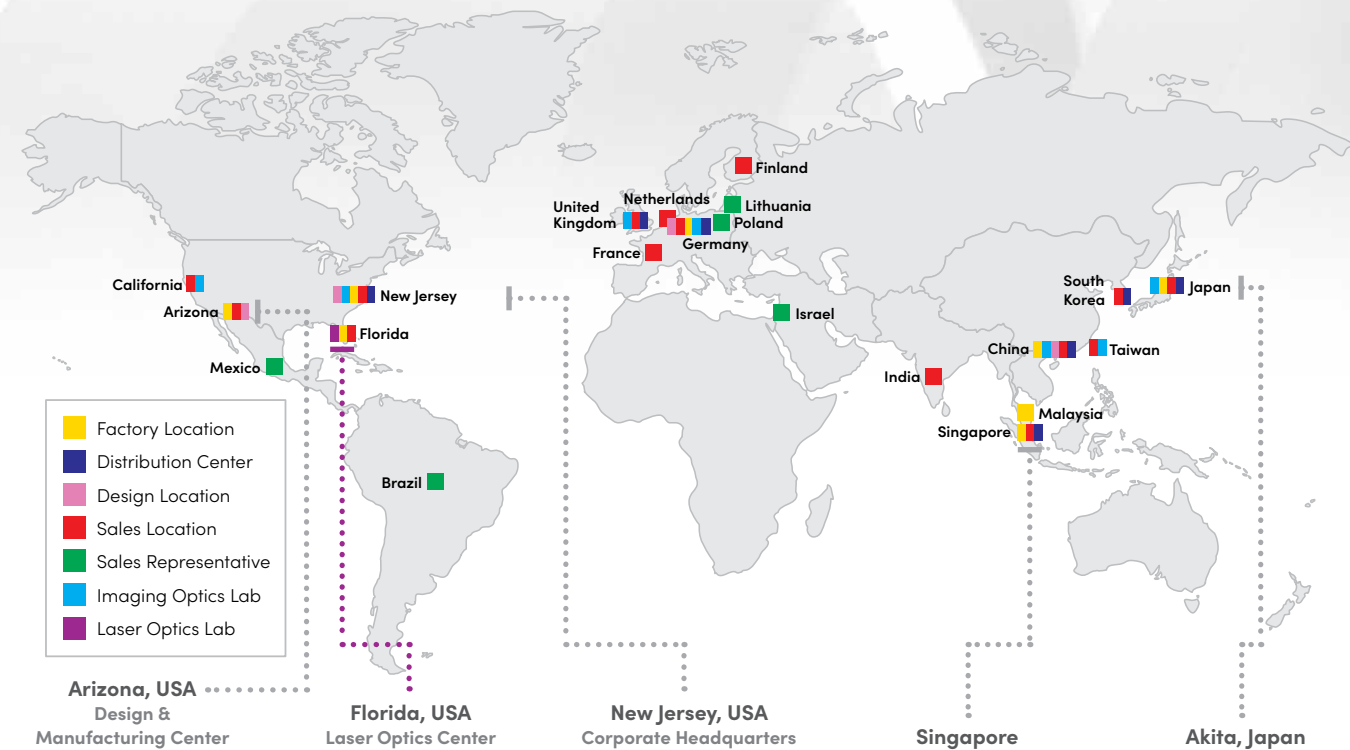
**30+**  
Years Experience  
Manufacturing High-End Laser Optics



**Dr. Stefaan Vandendriessche**  
Director, Laser Optics Business Line

“ We continuously put our customers first, doing this every day by **reliably manufacturing laser optics that meet our customer’s specifications and needs**. Whether you need a single highly-reflective mirror coated to prototype a new laser system, or you are scaling a fully-custom laser assembly into **volume production**, our team of dedicated manufacturing and applications experts are there to **support your development, manufacturing, and assembly needs**. ”

## Where We Are



**Arizona, USA**  
Design & Manufacturing Center



21,225 sq. ft (1,972 m<sup>2</sup>) facility for advanced, high-volume laser assembly, laser optics design, and laser assembly metrology

### Core Capabilities

- High-end laser optics assemblies such as beam expanders and objectives

**Florida, USA**  
Laser Optics Center



34,000 sq. ft (3,159 m<sup>2</sup>) dedicated to manufacturing high laser damage coatings, laser crystals, and other high-precision laser optics

### Core Capabilities

- Complex, multi-band highly-reflective and anti-reflective coatings
- High laser damage threshold optics
- Laser crystals

**New Jersey, USA**  
Corporate Headquarters



120,000 sq. ft (11,150 m<sup>2</sup>); 20,000 sq. ft (1,860 m<sup>2</sup>) of dedicated manufacturing space. High-precision fabrication, coating, assembly, and testing cells

### Core Capabilities

- Laser optics metrology
- R&D for laser optics products

**Singapore**



77,000 sq. ft (7,150 m<sup>2</sup>) of manufacturing space. Highly vertically-integrated facility for volume production of components such as laser-grade aspheric lenses

### Core Capabilities

- Laser-grade aspheres
- Laser-grade prisms
- Optically-contacted beamsplitter cubes

**Akita, Japan**



80,000 sq. ft (7,430 m<sup>2</sup>) of manufacturing space. High-precision spherical lenses, prisms, and other coated optics with over 50 years of experience

### Core Capabilities

- Spherical lenses
- Plano-plano laser-grade substrates

## Application Expertise



**In-House Expertise:**  
**Randall Hinton**  
Business Development Manager, Life Sciences

**Value Proposition of Edmund Optics®:**  
ISO 13485 certified with decades of experience supplying medical optics from intra-cavity, to beam steering, to focus objectives, to sub-assemblies such as articulating arms

### Biomedical Lasers

- Aesthetic lasers for skin treatments, hair removal, and tattoo removal
- Eye surgery lasers for corrective vision procedures like LASIK
- Ultrafast microscopy and a wide variety of clinical procedures



**In-House Expertise:**  
**BuKyoung Lim**  
Sales Engineer for Asia

**Value Proposition of Edmund Optics®:**  
Mirrors, beam expanders, and other optics with high laser damage thresholds and transparency into testing and specification development

### Materials Processing

- Welding with low thermal distortion, high speeds, and small focused spots
- Complex cuts and contours for a wide variety of materials
- Marking, engraving, surface treatments, ultrafast materials processing, and 3D printing



**In-House Expertise:**  
**Maura Francis**  
Solutions Engineer II

**Value Proposition of Edmund Optics®:**  
US ITAR compliant manufacturing and Technical Assistance Agreements (TAA) in place for offshore manufacturing in Singapore and Japan when applicable

### Security, Communications, and Defense Systems

- Laser designators and rangefinders requiring high LDT
- High-energy laser (HEL) directed energy systems
- Laser-based free-space optical (FSO) communications for secure transmissions



And Much More!

## Meet our other Experts



**Kenneth Barber**  
Senior Director of Engineering



**Dr. Nathan Carlie**  
Director of Research and Development



**Dr. Sara Castillo**  
Laser Optic Sales Specialist



**Dr. Matthew Dabney**  
Principal Engineer, Lasers



**Karl George, Jr.**  
Senior Thin Film Engineer, Process Development



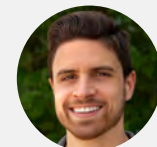
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Coating Supervisor



**Dr. Mathias Mende**  
Optical Designer



**Dr. Bill Murray**  
Ultrafast Laser Optics Product Line Manager



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Technical Engineering Manager



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Principal Optical Design Engineer



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Principal Applications Engineer



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Ultrafast Laser Optics Engineer

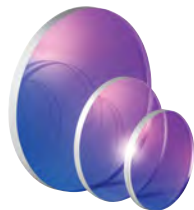
# Laser Optics Components



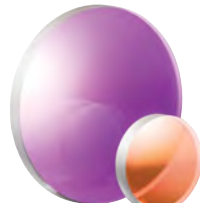
- Build-to-print and fully-custom design
- Manufacturing from prototyping to volume production
- Complex coatings: high laser damage threshold, multi-band anti-reflective, highly-reflective, or partially-reflective
- Anti-reflective coatings for wavelengths from 248nm - 12µm and highly-reflective wavelengths from 248nm to 40µm
- State-of-the-art metrology utilized to consistently meet specifications



Laser Mirrors



Laser Windows



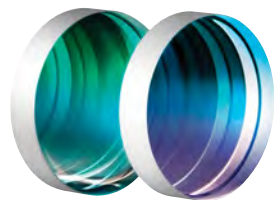
Laser Lenses



Laser Crystals



Laser Filters



Laser Beamsplitters



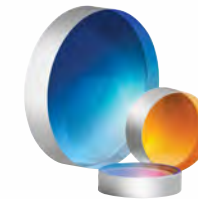
Laser Prisms



Laser Polarizers

## Flat Optics

Mirrors, windows, filters, and polarizers in a wide variety of substrate materials



Flat Optic Capabilities	
Diameter:	5 - 200mm
Dimensional Tolerance:	+0/-0.010mm
Thickness:	±0.010mm
Clear Aperture:	>90%
Surface Flatness (P - V):	$\lambda/10$ to $\lambda/20$
Bevel (Face Width @ 45 Degrees):	<0.25mm
Surface Quality:	10-5
Parallelism:	<10 arcsec
Materials:	UV Grade Fused Silica (Corning HPFS® 7980), KrF Grade Fused Silica (Corning HPFS® 7980), IR Grade Fused Silica (Corning HPFS® 7979), Sapphire, N-BK7, N-SF5, N-SF11, CaF <sub>2</sub> , and More
Surface Roughness:	10 - 15Å typical, <1Å for superpolished surfaces

## Lenses

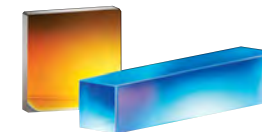
Aspheric, spherical singlet, and achromatic lenses designed for specific laser wavelengths



Lenses Capabilities	
Diameter:	5 - 200mm
Diameter Tolerance:	+0/-0.010mm - +0/-0.025mm
Asphere Figure Error (P - V) @ 633nm:	1λ
Vertex Radius (Asphere):	±0.1%
Peak Slope Error:	0.35µm/mm per 1mm window
Centering (Beam Deviation):	1 arcmin
Center Thickness Tolerance:	±0.050mm
Surface Quality (Scratch Dig):	10-5
Aspheric Surface Metrology:	Profilometry (3D)
Surface Roughness (RMS):	2nm
Thickness:	±0.010mm
Power (P - V):	$\lambda/2$
Irregularity (P - V):	$\lambda/40$

## Laser Crystals

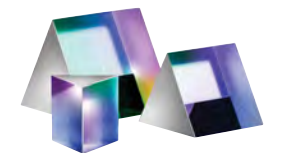
Crystal cutting, grinding, polishing, coating for high LDT and throughput, and refurbishing



Laser Crystal Capabilities	
Dimensions:	±0.1mm
Form Factors:	Rod, rectangular, and zigzag
Clear Aperture:	90% of Diameter
Surface Quality:	10-5
Parallelism of Polished Surfaces:	<10 arcsec
Parallelism of Tilted Ends:	<3 arcmin
Perpendicularity:	<30 arcmin
Surface Figure:	$\lambda/8$ at 632.8nm Over the Clear Aperture
Protective Chamfer:	Not to Encroach on the Clear Aperture
Materials:	YAG, YLF, YALO, KTP, LBO, BBO, YVO <sub>4</sub> , PPSLT, PPLN, and Phosphate-Doped Glasses

## Prisms

Wide variety of prism shapes and substrates with optical contacting available for high-power beam steering applications



Prism Capabilities	
Dimensions:	2 - 75mm
Dimensional Tolerance:	+0/-0.01mm
V-Height:	±0.03mm
Irregularity:	$\lambda/20$
Prism Physical Angle Tolerance:	45° & 90° ±0.5 arcsec
Penta Prism Deviation:	±0.5 arcsec
Max Bevel (Face Width @ 45 Degree):	±0.05mm
Surface Quality (Scratch Dig):	10-5
Bonded Prism Assembly Beam Deviation:	0.5 arcmin
Beamsplitter Cube Bonding Techniques:	Glued, air-spaced, or optically-contacted

For coating capabilities, see page 8

# Laser Optics Coatings

## Coating Technologies

Edmund Optics® engineers have the expertise to guide you through selecting the best coating technology for your application.



### Electron-Beam (E-Beam) Coatings

- Low-stress, cost-effective coatings ideal for many laser optics

### Ion-Assisted Deposition (IAD) E-Beam Coatings

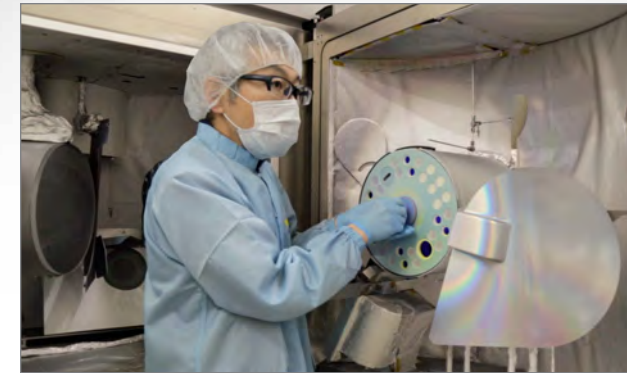
- Versatile coating technology achieving higher density and more environmentally stable coatings

### Ion Beam Sputtered (IBS) Coatings

- Highly-repeatable, highly-stable technology ideal for high reflectivities, ultrafast optics, and filters with sharp transitions

### Magnetron Sputtering

- Low chamber pressure reduces setup time and allows for more economical coating of high-volume optics



## Ion Beam Sputtering

- Reflectivities >99.99% (ppm-level losses on request)
- Coatings that are more environmentally stable in varying temperature and humidity conditions
- Coatings covering wavelengths between 355 - 1600nm
- Group delay dispersion (GDD) control for ultrafast coatings

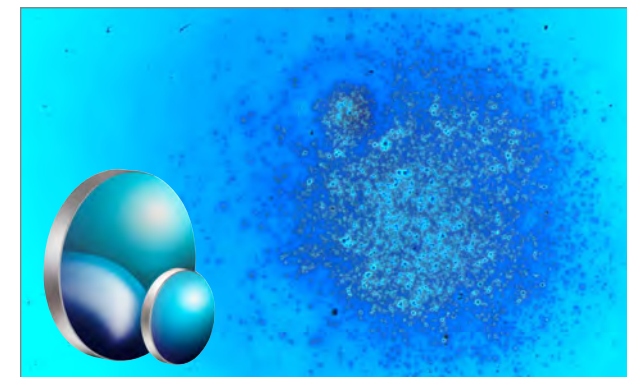
# Key Technologies



## Superpolishing

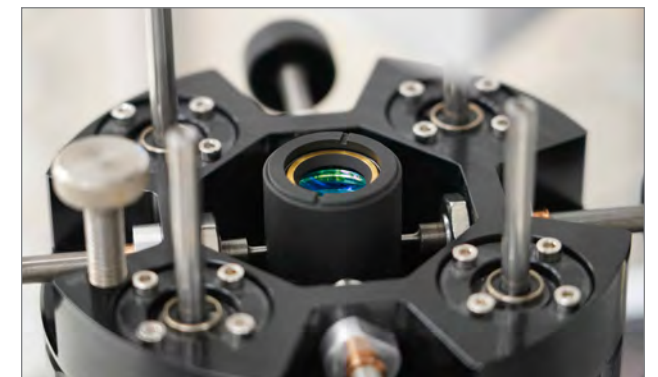
- Minimize scatter losses with ultra-low surface roughness
- RMS surface roughness <1Å
- Standard sizes and shapes from 12.7 to 50.8mm
- Custom sizes and shapes upon request
- Supported by a suite of in-house metrology
- Parts-per-million level scattering

Optical Coating Capabilities	
Specification	Value
Dimensions :	2 - 457.2mm
Clear Aperture:	Up to 100% (Dependent on Substrate Dimensions / Geometry / Tolerances)
Reflectivity:	0.05 - 99.99% (ppm-level losses on request)
Anti-Reflective Wavelength Range:	248nm - 12µm
Highly-Reflective Wavelength Range:	248nm - 40µm
Laser Damage Threshold (LDT) for ns pulses:	>40 J/cm² @ 1064nm, 20ns, 20Hz Pulses, Guaranteed >0.3J/cm² @ 800nm, 48fs, 100Hz Pulses, Guaranteed
Laser Damage Threshold (LDT) for ultrafast fs pulses:	>0.7 J/cm² @ 800nm, 200fs, 100Hz >0.4 J/cm² @ 1030nm, 200fs, 100Hz >0.9 J/cm² @ 1030nm, 500fs, 100Hz
Group Delay Dispersion (GDD) Range:	-4000 - 5000 fs²
Durability:	MIL-PRF-13830B APP C, PARA C.3.8.4, PARA C.3.8.5, MIL-C-48497A
Shortpass Filter Cut-Off Wavelength:	400 - 1600nm
Longpass Filter Cut-On Wavelength:	240 - 7300nm
Bandpass Filter CWL, OD, and Bandwidth:	193 - 10,600nm, >OD 7 in Blocking Range, 1nm - Broadband
Notch Filter CWL:	355 - 1550nm
Reflective ND Filter OD:	OD 0.1 - OD 3
Filter Center Wavelength (CWL) Tolerance:	±1nm
Filter Edge Tolerance:	<1% Deviation, <0.2% Special Cases
Beamsplitter (BS) Wavelength Range:	240 - 20,000nm
BS Polarization Extinction Ratio (S:P):	10,000:1



## UV Fatigue and Laser-Induced Contamination

- In-house laser lab performing long-run applied UV laser exposure experiments
- Laser-induced contamination is a key concern for UV laser systems
- Contamination resulting from the environment or outgassing can significantly reduce performance or lead to system failure
- Intimate knowledge of cleaning and assembly techniques to mitigate these effects



## Advanced Laser Assemblies

- Supported in-house testing for transmitted wavefront error, power in the bucket, energy on target, and focused spot size
- Actively compensate for the decenter and tilt of optical components during assembly
- Critical for precision objectives, beam expanders, and other assemblies
- 4 ISO Class 6 clean rooms for assembly and a Class 7 cleanroom for incoming inspection

## Ultrafast Laser Optics

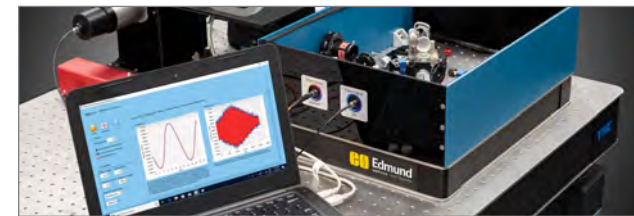


- Ultrafast pulses have inherently broad bandwidths, making controlling chromatic dispersion critical
- Group delay dispersion (GDD) of ultrafast optics must be finely controlled
- Edmund Optics® designs and deposits ultrafast coatings with GDD values from  $-4,000$  -  $5,000$  fs<sup>2</sup>
- Dielectric highly-reflective and anti-reflective coatings as well as ultrafast-enhanced silver coatings



### Manufacturing Capabilities

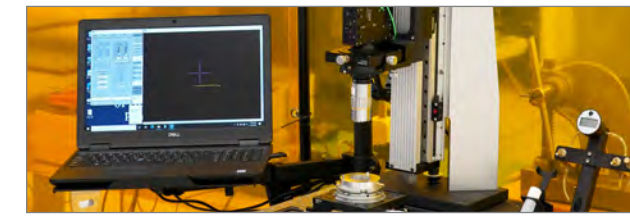
- Highly-dispersive mirrors, low GDD optics, and beam expanders
- Intra- and extra-cavity optics for high-power ultrafast lasers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> order dispersion of 0 fs<sup>3</sup>, or negative values down to  $-2500$  fs<sup>3</sup>
- Cost-effective ultrafast-enhanced silver coatings with  $R > 99\%$  and GDD as low as  $0 \pm 20$  fs<sup>2</sup> over common ultrafast wavelengths



### Ultrafast Metrology

- Accurately measure GDD of multilayer ultrafast optics
- Ultra-broadband spectral coverage ranging from 250nm to 2100nm
- GDD accuracy of  $\pm 5$  fs<sup>2</sup> at angles of incidence between  $0 - 70^\circ$

- Design and manufacturing capabilities for custom beam expanders, focusing objectives, and other laser optics subassemblies
- Active alignment and centration for advanced assemblies
- High-power assemblies designed without internally-focusing ghost reflections
- Full assembly development from modeling physical optics propagation, to designing lens elements, to coating, to assembly, to testing



### Assembly Expertise

- Transfer from concept to volume manufacturing
- Expedited prototyping
- Cleanroom assembly
- Active alignment and centration
- Testing and certification



### Technical Expertise

- In-house experts with years of ultrafast optics manufacturing and ultrafast laser applications experience
- Guidance in understanding what GDD, 3<sup>rd</sup> order dispersion, and other specifications are needed
- Partnership with UltraFast Innovations for developing cutting-edge ultrafast coatings



### Assembly Metrology

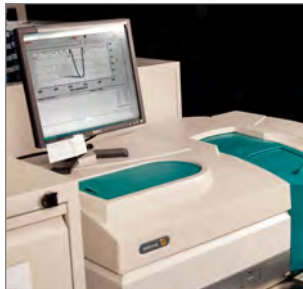
- In-house testing to measure assembly performance
- Transmitted wavefront error, laser beam profiling, and beam caustics
- Measuring power in bucket and energy on target
- Development of application-specific tests

## Laser Optics Assemblies



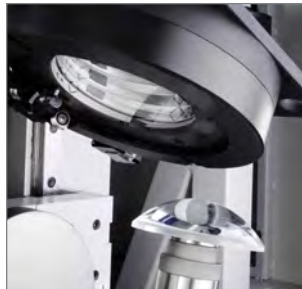
Beam Expander Capabilities	
Expansion Power:	1X - 20X
Design Wavelengths:	Common Laser Lines Including Nd:YAG, Yb:YAG, Ti:sapphire, and Tm/Ho-Doped Fiber Lasers, Broadband
Mounts:	C-Mount, M22, M30, Custom
Beam Adjustment Mechanisms Available:	Sliding Optics, Rotating Optics, Fixed
Testing/Design Specifications:	Transmitted Wavefront Error, Power in the Bucket / Energy on Target, Focused Spot Size
Assembly Size:	<20mm - >1m
Ruggedization Available:	Athermalization, Shock and Vibration, Sealing from Contaminants

# Metrology



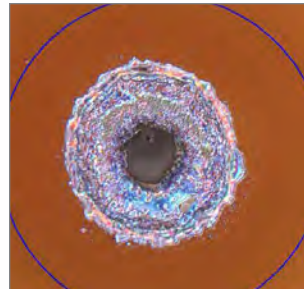
## Spectrophotometry

- Used to characterize reflective and transmissive spectral performance
- Large spectral measurement range of 120nm - 20µm
- Measures greater than OD 7 blocking for an accurate representation of transmission and rejection bands



## Interferometry

- Transmitted and reflected wavefront measurements down to  $<\lambda/20$
- Stitching, large and small aperture, and computer-generated hologram setups
- Used to qualify surface irregularity of flats, spherical and aspherical components, and optical assemblies



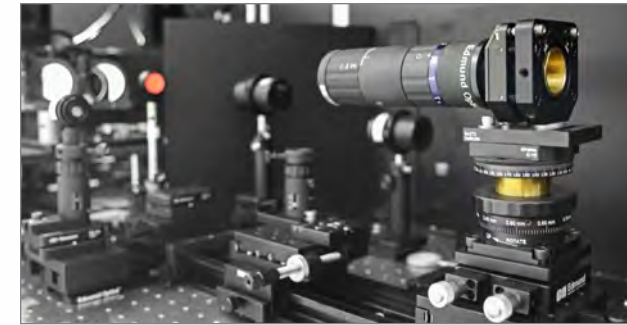
## Laser Damage Threshold (LDT) Testing\*

- Components tested both in-house and outsourced for guaranteed LDT
- Internal high-power nanosecond Nd:YAG laser at 1064nm and harmonics (532nm and 355nm)
- Other wavelengths and pulse durations available



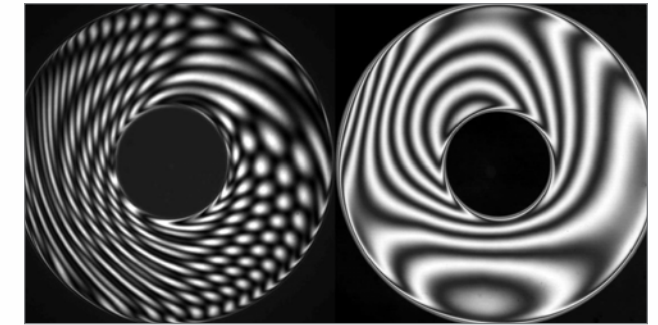
## Cavity Ring-Down Spectroscopy

- High-accuracy loss measurement with sensitivity in the parts per million
- Tuned for common Nd:YAG harmonics - other wavelengths available upon request
- Accurately quantifies both high and low reflectivity laser optics



## Laser Optics Assembly Metrology

- In-house testing to measure assembly performance
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## Short Coherence Length Interferometry

- Special LED source used to measure parallel, flat surfaces while minimizing reflections off back surfaces
- Eliminates the need for special treatment of the rear surface, which minimizes measurement time, the risk of damage to the part, and the risk of inaccurate measurements
- Ideal for measuring dual-side-coated optics such as IBS coated mirrors with stress-compensating coatings on the backside



## Differential Interference Contrast (DIC) Microscopy

- High-sensitivity defect detection in transmissive materials
- Used for analyzing laser damage in optical coatings and substrates
- Surfaces analyzed under 100X magnification



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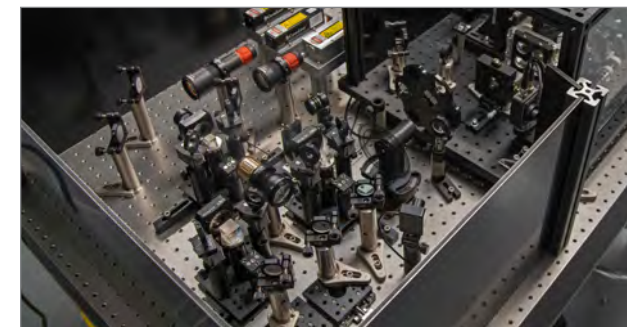
## Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)

- High-accuracy characterizations of surface roughness and feature sizes and locations
- Lateral resolution down to 3nm
- Vertical resolution down to 0.1nm



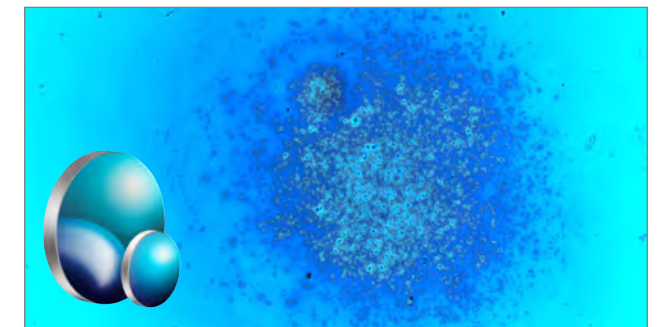
## Non-Contact 3D Profilometry

- Verify surface profile of precision aspheric lenses
- OptiPro UltraSurf 4X 100 Non-Contact
- Measure surfaces without scratching or damaging the parts



## Photothermal Common-Path Interferometry

- Accurately measure absorption for better characterization of the spectral properties of optical coatings and substrates
- A pump-probe geometry measures change in refractive index due to absorption-induced thermal expansion
- More sensitive and accurate absorption measurement for very low levels of absorption than spectrophotometers, which determine absorption indirectly by directly measuring transmission

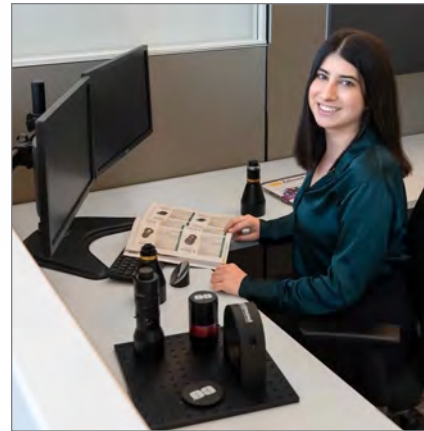


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\*Test data available upon request

## Process Flow – From Quote to Product Delivery



### ① Inquiry ▼

- Customer reaches out to discuss their technical needs and current issue
- Possibilities include coat only, complete product, build-to-print fully-custom design, or modifications to existing designs or products
- Primary specifications, compliance information, and the expected schedule are determined
- For this process flow, we will follow the steps for sourcing a fully-custom laser beam expander designed for a customer's application-specific needs



### ② Feasibility Stage ▼

- Advanced Laser Applications team determines application-specific requirements
- Initial design and trade-off review done to evaluate potential technical solutions
- Investigate if customizing off-the-shelf product is feasible to reduce lead times or whether a completely-custom design is required
- A quotation could be included at this stage



### ③ Design for Manufacturability ►

- A detailed optical and optomechanical design is created that builds off of the foundation created in the feasibility study
- A full tolerancing analysis determines yield expectations
- Design is optimized for manufacturability
- Designs are completed for all components, coatings, and metal housing needed

### ④ Manufacturing ▼

- All individual glass components are ground, polished, and coated
- Metal optomechanical housing is machined and the full beam expander is assembled
- Active alignment and other advanced assembly techniques employed when needed
- In-process metrology such as interferometry, spectrophotometry, and beam caustic measurements done to verify specifications



### ⑤ Testing ▼

- The full assembly is tested to verify all specifications are met
- Application-specific test beds developed when necessary
- Testing available for transmitted wavefront error, beam profile, beam caustics, and energy on target at various laser wavelengths
- Environmental testing for shock and vibration, water exposure, and temperature swings also available



### ⑥ Delivery ■

- Initial prototypes delivered, comprehensive first article inspection reports (FAIRs) for product qualification
- Highly-flexible volume order servicing including support for blanket orders with scheduled releases
- Competitive volume discounts
- Continued dedicated engineering support to ensure project success





◆ REFERENCE  
NUMBER

◆ CUSTOMER  
NUMBER

The **Future** Depends on Optics®

## 240+ Global Engineers with expertise in a wide variety of applications

Custom laser optics manufacturing projects from Edmund Optics® are supported by a dedicated sales team, design group, and project management team. They can support your project from concept, to design, to quoting, order placement, and order fulfillment. You will consistently have the same points of contact who are knowledgeable in your specific application.



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