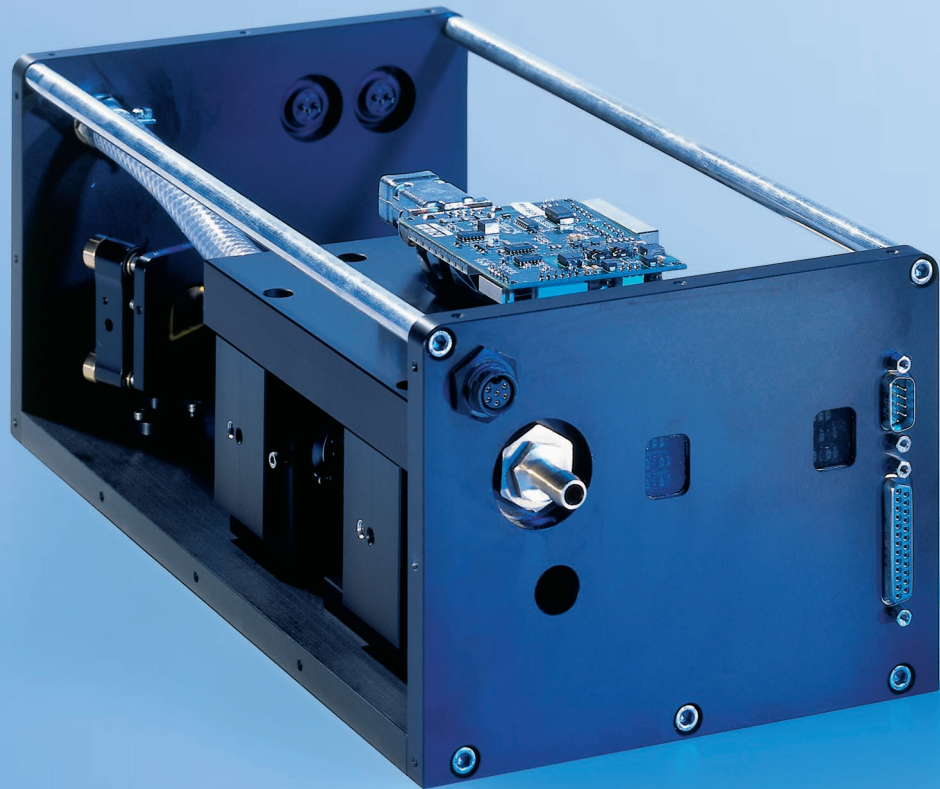


**MODULES FOR POWER CONTROL  
AND STABILIZATION FOR CO<sub>2</sub> LASERS**

# POWER CONTROL DEVICE



## External Optical Control and Stabilization of CO<sub>2</sub> Lasers with PCD

- I-PCD®: Laser power control based on the laser spot velocity
- PowStab®: Stabilization of CO<sub>2</sub> laser power to better than  $\pm 1\%$
- Beam splitting and individual control of CO<sub>2</sub> laser power at each processing station
- Variation of laser power between 0 and 100 % within milliseconds
- Customized solutions

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External optical control and stabilization of CO<sub>2</sub> laser power using the patented PCD method enables precision laser processing of stationary or moving materials such as paper, cardboard, plastic films and other forms with CO<sub>2</sub> lasers.

Previously these applications frequently failed due to laser power fluctuations or insufficient control of laser power in relation to the laser spot velocity. Consequences for example were over processing of material and /or damage of the base material in the corners of the cutting geometry. Furthermore, varying results and quality differences could be observed from job to job.

## ● CO<sub>2</sub> MODULE PCD-ATTENUATOR

### ● PRINCIPLE

Laser power can be varied between 0 - 100 % within milliseconds.

### ● INTERFACES

Modules can be controlled either via the high-speed data link with a RAYLASE control card (XY2-100 standard) or alternatively using the analog current or voltage interfaces.

### ● DESIGN

The modules are designed for an input aperture of 15 mm diameter. The maximum power handling per unit is 500 W.

### ● TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Processing of materials such as paper, cardboard and plastic.

## ● CO<sub>2</sub> MODULE PowStab®

### ● PRINCIPLE

The CO<sub>2</sub> laser operates in quasi-cw mode. Laser power is continuously measured and stabilised by PID closed loop control. Variation of output power is better  $\pm 1\%$ .

As an option, a higher frequency laser beam can be generated through an acousto-optical modulator (AOM), which is placed behind the control loop.

### ● INTERFACES

Software based closed-loop control in combination with a RAYLASE control card (XY2-100 standard).

### ● DESIGN

The PowStab® modules are designed for an input aperture of 15 mm diameter. The maximum power handling per unit is 500 W.

### ● TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Processing of materials such as paper, cardboard and plastic by marking, kiss cutting, through cutting, and perforating in the industry, research and development; marking of special glass; processing on the fly.

## ● CO<sub>2</sub> MODULE I-PCD®

### ● PRINCIPLE

The laser operates in quasi-cw mode. Laser power control is directly related to the velocity of the laser spot in the working field. Laser power can be varied from 0 - 100 % within a few milliseconds.

### ● INTERFACES

The modules can be controlled via high-speed data link with a RAYLASE control card (XY2-100 standard).

### ● DESIGN

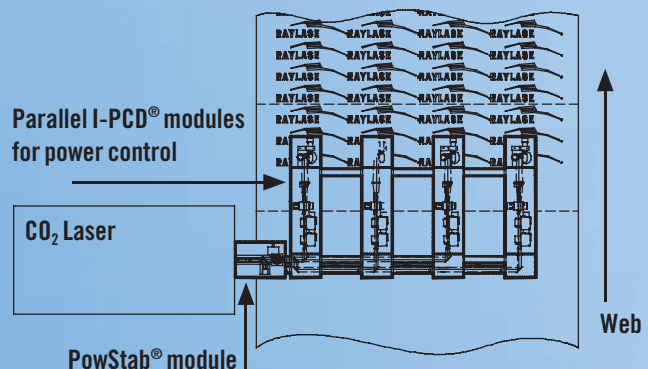
The I-PCD® modules are designed for an input aperture of 15 mm diameter. The maximum laser power at each processing station is 500 W.

### ● TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Processing of materials such as paper, cardboard and plastic by kiss cutting, through cutting, and perforating in industry, research and development; processing on the fly as an option.

## ● SAMPLE CONFIGURATION

Laser power is split into several partial beams, each individually controlled by I-PCD®. Thus different jobs can be processed on each of the parallel processing stations. CO<sub>2</sub> laser power can be kept constant using the optional PowStab® module.



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