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**Product Features**

- Supports C-Block, COC, or customer proprietary QCL packages
- Compatible with the LDX-3232 CW QCL Driver
- Active temperature control from -30°C to 30°C
- Ports for vacuum evacuation or nitrogen purge
- Optional XYZ stage with multiple ZnSe lens options

### Specifications

**CONNECTORS**
- CW Laser Diode Current: DB9, female
- Case Temperature Control: Hybrid 1/8" NPT female, supplied with compression fittings for 1/4" OD tubing, installed
- Vacuum/Nitrogen Purge: 1/4" NPT female

**TEMPERATURE CONTROL**
- Temperature Control: Solid State, Thermoelectric
- Sensor Type: Calibrated 10 KΩ thermostat
- Maximum TEC Current: 14.0A
- Maximum TEC Voltage: 14.0V
- Maximum Thermal Load: 100W
- Temperature Range: -30°C to 30°C
- Contact Thermal Resistance: 0.1°C-w/Ω
- Accuracy: ±0.5°C
- Stability: ±0.005/C

**CURRENT**
- Maximum Laser Current: 2.0A

**GENERAL**
- Size (L x W x H): 11.4 cm x 10.1 cm x 16.5 cm
- Beam Height: 101.6 mm (4.0")
- Weight: 1.7 kg (3.8 lbs.)
- Regulatory Compliance: RoHS, CE
- Water Pressure Drop: 10 PSI at 3.5 LPM

**LDM-48723X XYZ STAGE**
- XY Stage: Differential adjustment screw, locking
  - Travel: 3.0 mm
  - Sensitivity: 318 μm/rev coarse, 25 μm/rev fine
- Z Stage: 5.0 mm
  - Sensitivity: 367 μm/rev

**LDM-48723X LENS SPECIFICATIONS**
- Lens: Aspheric
- Diameter: 2.5 mm
- Working Distance: 3.05 mm
- Outer Diameter: 6.5 mm
- Numerical Aperture: 0.58
- Effective Focal Length: 4.0 mm
- Material: Molded chalcogenide glass
- Optional AR Coatings:
  - LDM-487232: uncoated
  - LDM-487231: 1.75 - 3 μm
  - LDM-487233: 2-6 μm
  - LDM-487234: 7-14 μm

**LDM-487212 WINDOW ASSEMBLY**
- Minimum Distance to Front Facet: 5.8mm
- Window: Diameter: 12.7 mm diameter, 3 mm thickness
- Material: Zinc Selenide, IR coated

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

LDM-487201 C-MOUNT MOUNTING BLOCK
- Laser Package: C-Mount
- Package Dimensions: Width: 6.25 -C1-1 mm
- Flying Lead Length: 7.75 -C1-1 mm
- Package Depth: 1.28 mm -C1-2.16 mm

LDM-487202 ALPES MOUNTING BLOCK
- Laser Package: Alpes NS and ST
- Package Dimensions: Width: 19 mm
- Height: 2.5 mm
- Depth: 7 mm

**NOTES**
1. Minimum Temperature at 10W, 10°C cooling water, 2 LPM flow rate
2. CTR = (Laser case temperature - mount temperature) / laser waste heat
3. Stability measured at -25°C with a 5W load under 100 mTorr vacuum using LDT-5980 temperature controller.
4. Weight with XYZ stage
5. Based on calculation of index of refraction in air

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ACTIVE TEMPERATURE CONTROL
The LDM-4872 mounts come with an integrated 120W TEC and water-cooled cold plate. The high power TEC has the thermal performance to dissipate the waste heat from inefficient quantum cascade lasers over a wide temperature range of -30°C to 30°C with thermal loads up to 10W.

REPEATABLE, LOW THERMAL RESISTANCE
Careful attention to the LDM-4872 mounts mechanical design results in a low thermal resistance between the quantum cascade laser and the mounting plate. Torquing the device to the recommended value provides constant and repeatable clamping pressure on the package. Low thermal resistance eliminates temperature measurement inconsistency which ensures the QCL is being operated at a safe temperature.

OPTICAL TABLE MOUNTING
Optical table mounting is made possible through standard 1” spaced mounting holes on the base of the mount. Additionally, the LDM-4872 mounts are designed for integration into optical test systems with unobstructed access to the front of the quantum cascade laser mount.

ZINC SELLINDE WINDOW OPTION
For quantum cascade lasers not requiring collimation a MID-IR window is available. The QCL output is located 1.5 mm from the 12.7mm diameter ZnSe window.

EASY CONNECTIONS FOR QUICK SET UP
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Temperature stability of better than ±0.005°C can be achieved by combining the LDM-4872 with the LDT-5980 temperature controller and a thermoelectric chiller.

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