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OPTIONAL HARMONICS GENERATOR AND ATTENUATORS MODULES

The following are suggested optimal configurations of H300 series modules for various output wavelengths:

- 1. For 2nd harmonics output only: the H300SHC module.
- 2. For 2nd and 3rd harmonics:
- a) H300SH+H300S+H300THC for SH and TH output as specified in the NL300 series brochure.
- b) H300STH+H300ST a cost-effective solution not requiring the replacement of modules when changing from a 532 nm to 355 nm beam and vice versa. The 532 nm beam specification will, however, be 15% lower relative to the values in the NL300 series brochure due to extra components in the beam path.
- 3. For 2^{nd} and 4^{th} harmonics: H300SH+H300S+H300FHC modules.

- 4. For all harmonics including 4th:
- a) H300STH+H300ST+H300FHC a cost-effective solution. The 266 nm and 532 nm beam specifications will be 15% lower relative to the values in the NL300 series brochure.
- b) H300SH+H300S+H300THC+H300FHC a slightly more expensive solution with output values adhering to those in the NL300 series brochure.
- 5. For all harmonics including 5th: modules described in paragraph #4 plus the H300FiHC module.
- 6. For attenuators for all wavelengths up to the 4th harmonic: H300SH+H300A2+H300TH+H300A3+H300A4 modules.

MODULES SELECTION GUIDE

Module	Description	Output ports	Output pulse energy specifications	Dimensions W×L×H, mm	Extension possible?	Notes
H300SH	Second harmonic generator	Port 1: 1064, 532 nm	N/A	154×160×128	Yes	
H300S	532 nm beam separator	Port 1: 532 nm Port 2: residual 1064 nm	See NL300 specifications for 532 nm beam	154×160×128	No	Should be used with H300SH
H300SHC	Second harmonic generator with 532 nm beam separator	Port 1: 532 nm Port 2: residual 1064 nm	See NL300 specifications for 532 nm beam	154×210×128	No	
H300TH	Third harmonic generator	Port 1: 1064, 532 & 355 nm	N/A	154×160×128	Yes	Should be used with H300SH
Н300ТНС	Third harmonic generator with 355 nm beam separator	Port 1: 355 nm Port 2: residual 1064 & 532 nm	See NL300 specifications for 355 nm beam	154×210×128	No	Should be used with H300SH
H300STH	Second and third harmonics generator	Port 1: 1064, 532 & 355 nm	N/A	154×210×128	Yes	
H300ST	355 nm beam separator	Port 1: 355 nm Port 2: residual 532 nm	See NL300 specifications for 355 nm beam	154×160×128	No	Recommended to use with H300STH
H300FHC	Fourth harmonic generator with 266 nm beam separator	Port 1: 266 nm Port 2: residual 532 nm	See NL300 specifications for 266 nm beam	154×290×128	No	Should be used with H300SH
H300FiHC	Fifth harmonics generator with 213 nm beam separator	Port 1: 213 nm Port 2: residual 1064, 532 & 266 nm	See NL300 specifications for 213 nm beam	154×350×128	No	
H300A1	Attenuator for 1064 nm beam	Port 1: 1064 nm beam	Transmission in 5-90% range at 1064 nm	154×210×128	No	
H300A2	Attenuator and beam separator for 532 nm beam	Port 1: 532 nm Port 2: residual 532 nm	Transmission in 5-90% range at 532 nm	154×210×128	No	Should be used with H300SH
H300A3	Attenuator and beam separator for 355 nm beam	Port 1: 355 nm Port 2: residual 355 nm	Transmission in 5-90% range at 355 nm	154×210×128	No	Should be used with H300TH or H300STH
H300A4	Fourth harmonic generator, beam sepa-rator and attenuator for 266 nm beam	Port 1: 266 nm Port 2: residual 266 nm	Transmission in 5-90% range at 266 nm	154×350×128	No	Should be used with H300SH



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HARMONIC GENERATORS

Nanosecond Q-switched lasers enable simple and cost effective laser wavelength conversion to shorter wavelengths through harmonics generation. EKSPLA offers a broad selection of wavelength conversion accessories for NL300 series lasers. The purpose of this guide is to help configure available harmonic generator and attenuator modules for NL300 series lasers for optimal performance.

The harmonics module uses a modular design that allows reconfiguration of laser output for the appropriate experiment wavelength.

A typical module houses a non-linear crystal together with a set of dichroic mirrors for separating the harmonic beam from the fundamental wavelength. Nonlinear crystals used for the purpose of wavelength conversion are kept at an elevated temperature in a thermo-stabilized oven.

Two or more modules can be joined together for higher harmonics generation: attaching one extra module to a second harmonic generator allows for the generation of 3rd or 4th harmonic wavelengths.

It should be noted that only modules with a single output port can be joined together: it is possible to attach a H300S module to a H300SH unit for 532 nm beam separation, or a H300FHC module for 4th harmonics generation (see detailed description below). Modules with two output ports (e.g., H300SHC) cannot be attached to extra units.

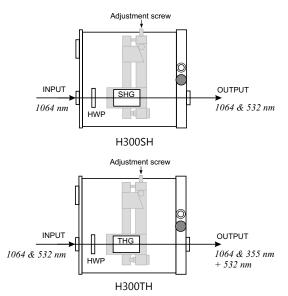
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FEATURES

- Compact harmonic modules
- Thermo stabilized crystals for long lifetime
- ▶ Dichroic mirrors
- ► AR coatings on crystals
- Phase matching by mechanical adjustment
- ▶ High conversion efficiency
- Wide selection of different configurations

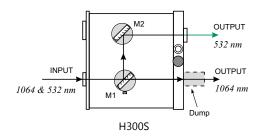
H300SH, H300TH harmonics generators

H300SH or H300TH modules contain a SH or TH crystal with a half-wave plate for input polarization adjustment. The output of the H300SH module has both 532 nm and 1064 nm wavelengths; the output of the H300SH+H300TH modules also has a 355 nm wavelength.



H300S harmonics separator

The H300S module has two output ports for the separation of 1064 nm and 532 nm wavelengths.



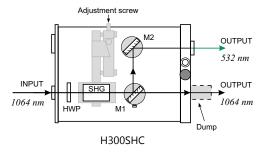


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H300SHC harmonics generator

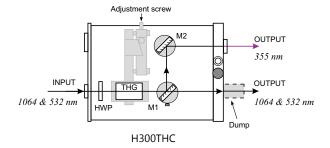
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The most cost-effective solution for customers who need a 532 nm wavelength only, the H300 SHC module combines a SHG crystal and beam separators and has two output ports for 532 nm and 1064 nm beams.



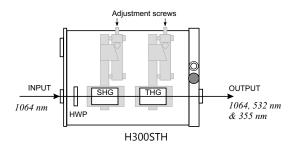
H300THC harmonics generator

The H300THC module is a third harmonics generator and beam separator with two output ports for a 355 nm beam, and for a residual 532 nm + 1064 nm beam. This module should be used with the H300SH module.



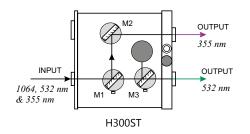
H300STH harmonics generator

The H300STH module combined with a H300ST separator module is designed for customers who need a 355 nm wavelength only. The H300STH module has an output port for 355 nm, 532 nm and 1064 nm wavelengths, the H300ST module has two output ports for 355 nm and 532 nm wavelengths. In order to separate 355 nm this module should be used with H300ST.



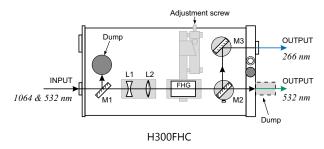
H300ST harmonics separator

The H300ST module can be used for the separation of 355 nm and/or 532 nm beams from residual 1064 nm, and can be used together with H300STH, H300TH or H300SH modules.



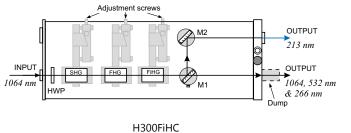
H300FHC harmonics generator

The H300FHC module is a fourth harmonics generator and beam separator for a 266 nm wavelength, with two output ports for a 266 nm beam, and for a residual 532 nm beam. This module should be used with the H300SH module.



H300FiHC harmonics generator

The H300FiHC module is designed to produce a 5th harmonic output. As it requires only a 1064 nm input, the unit contains SH, FH and FiH crystals together with a beam separator for a 213 nm beam.





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ATTENUATORS

NL300 series lasers offer several options for changing output pulse energy. The easiest option is to change the timing of the Q-switch opening relative to the flashlamp pump pulse. This option is a standard feature for all NL300 series lasers. A change in Q-switch timing, however, changes other laser pulse parameters along with the pulse energy.

A decrease in pulse energy results in longer pulse duration, decreased pulse-to-pulse-stability, and possible changes in the spatial beam profile. For applications that require smooth adjustment of output pulse energy while keeping other parameters stable, EKSPLA offers H300Ax series attenuator modules.

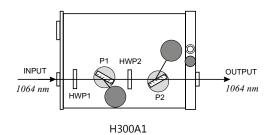
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FEATURES

- ▶ Compact design
- Motorized version is available
- Smooth adjustment of output pulse energy

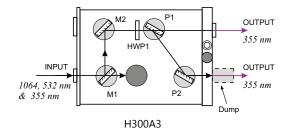
H300A1 attenuator

The H300A1 module is designed to attenuate a 1064 nm beam. Optical layout includes half-wave plates HWP1, HWP2 and polarizers P1, P2 (see picture below). Rotation of the HWP2 half-wave plate changes the polarization of the laser beam and its transmission factor via the P2 polarizer.



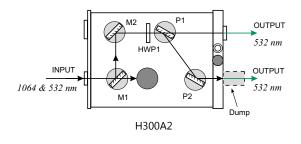
H300A3 attenuator

The H300A3 module, designed to attenuate a 355 nm beam, combines an attenuator with a beam separator and should be used with the H300STH or H300TH modules.



H300A2 attenuator

The H300A2 module, designed to attenuate a 532 nm beam, combines an attenuator with a beam separator and should be used with the H300SH module.



H300A4 attenuator

The H300A4 module is designed to attenuate a **266 nm** beam. It combines a FH crystal, beam separator and attenuator and should be used instead of the H300FHC module for attenuation of a 266 nm beam.

