



Laser Solutions for the Food & Beverage Industry

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Lasers | Solutions for the Food and Beverage Industry

Fast, Sustainable and Precise

Baking



Fast

- Peanut butter cookies in 90 sec

Efficient

- Heats the Product, not the Factory

Sustainable

- Low energy consumption
- No consumables or maintenance

Drying



Fast

- Dry apple slice in 10 min

Efficient

- “Cold Oven”, little waste heat

Precise

- Infrared metrology for temperature control

Cleaning



Fast

- 1,200 m²/hr demonstrated

Effective

- Sterile, low contact angle

Sustainable

- No byproducts, low energy consumption

IPG Photonics At-a-Glance



1990
FOUNDED



~6,200
EMPLOYEES



20+
COUNTRIES



\$1.4B
REVENUE



~100,000
LASERS SHIPPED

~9,000
TURNKEY LASER
SYSTEMS SHIPPED

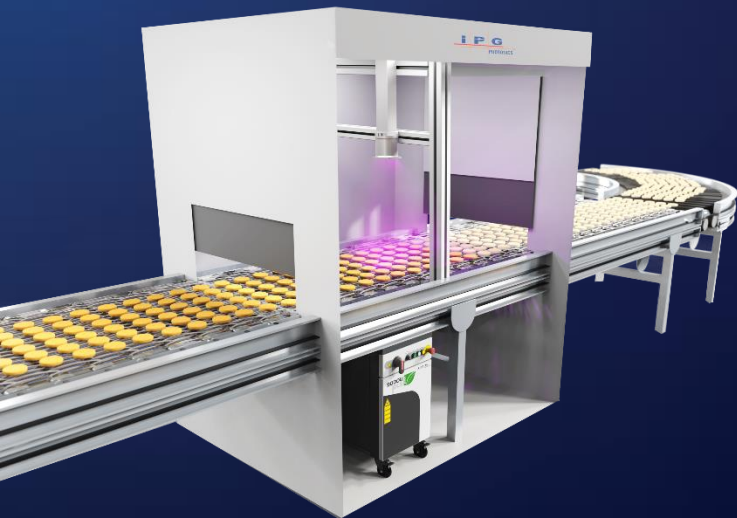


5,000+
CUSTOMERS
ACROSS 6 MAIN
INDUSTRIES
Based on 2023 Data

 Nasdaq
IPGP
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Massachusetts HQ

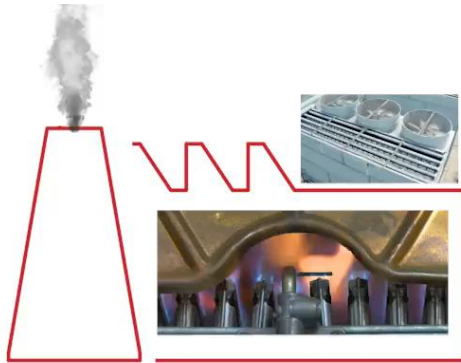
- World's largest volume supplier of Lasers to Industry
- Unique, vertically integrated Supply Chain
- Industry-leading earnings and cash flow

Laser Heater



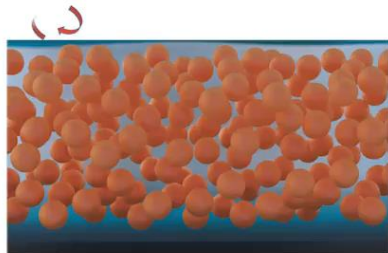
Laser Heater | Rethinking the Future

Lasers overtaking conventional ovens across many industries

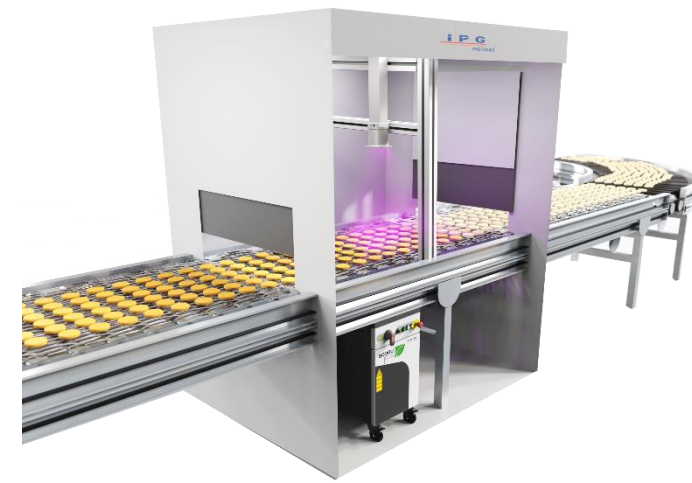


HOT OVEN

HOT AIR
only dries the surface
which reduces throughput
and wastes energy



Sub-surface moisture requires time to be
drawn to the surface before it can be removed



Food & Beverage Applications

- Pre-Heating
- Baking
- Drying

Industries engaging IPG

- Li-ion Battery
- Industrial Coatings
- Food & Beverage
- Chemical & Pharma
- Ceramics
- Silicon chipmaking
- Pulp & Paper

A "Cold Oven" | DLS-ECO Laser Heater



DLS-ECO SERIES "Cold" Oven Paradigm Shift

An Oven which isn't Hot

- Heats only targeted material
- No thick oven walls
- Little heat radiates into the factory

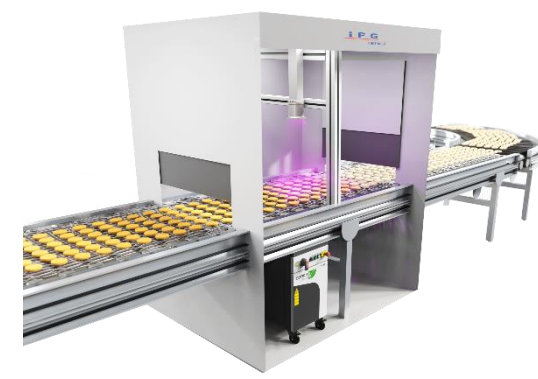
Consumes energy only when on

- Off between batches
- Off overnight

Accessible

- Thermal process control

Baking | Peanut Butter Cookie Example

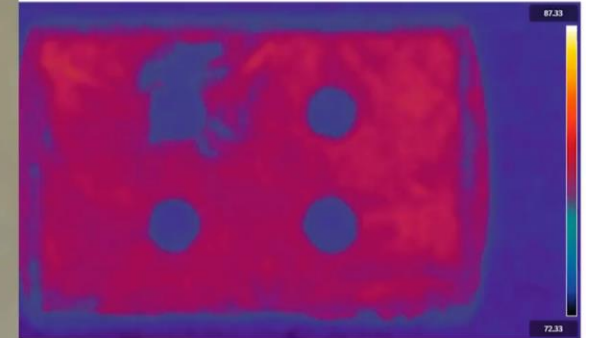


Peanut Butter Cookies

- Supermarket cookie dough
- Delicious after 90 sec at 290°F

Manufacturer's Recommendation

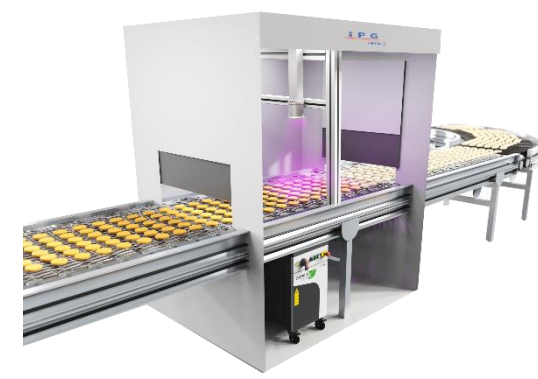
- Preheat oven to 350°F
- Bake 10-12 minutes



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Drying | Apple Slice Example



Apple Slices

- Sliced around 1mm thickness
- Delicious after 10 min at 60°C



DLS **ECO** 
Apple Drying



DLS-ECO Laser | Operating Advantages

Example from Lithium Ion Battery Factory



Energy Consumption - 500 kW Drying Oven
Replacement, Li-ion Battery, 90% utilization, US energy price

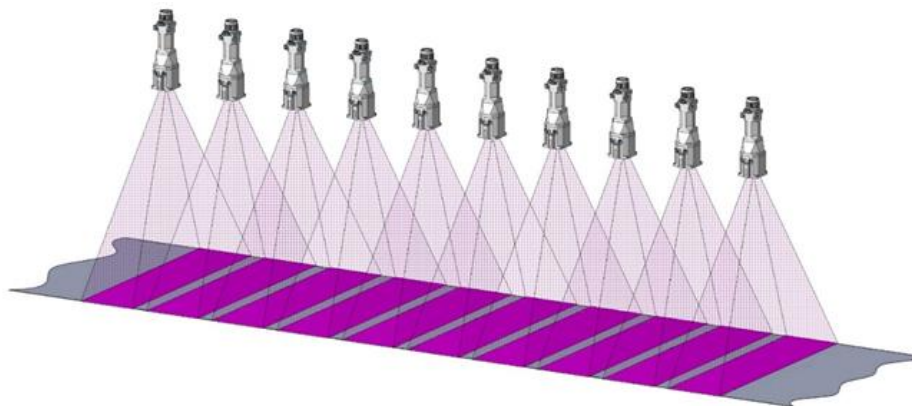
500 kW Dryer Optical Efficiency	DLS-ECO 55%	Non-IPG Laser 50%	IR Lamp 35%
Annual Energy Consumption (8000hrs/year)	7.3 MW-hrs	8.0 MW-hrs	11.4 MW-hrs
Annual Energy Cost (\$0.15/kW-hr)	\$1,090,909	\$1,200,000	\$1,714,286
Annual Savings at USA Energy Rates	\$623,377	\$514,286	N/A

OpEx – Maintenance & Cooling

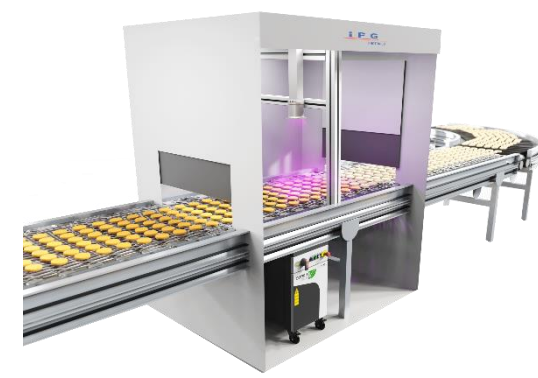
	DLS-ECO 55%	Non-IPG Laser 50%	IR Lamp 35%
Maintenance	Zero planned maintenance - 7 years	Replace Diodes every few years	Replace Lamps every 1 - 2 years
Thermal Management	House Water	Chiller, deionized water	Exhausts heat into Factory



**DLS-ECO laser solution is
maintenance free, easy to cool,
requires less factory floor space**



Hybrid Ovens | Retrofit / Upgrade Strategy

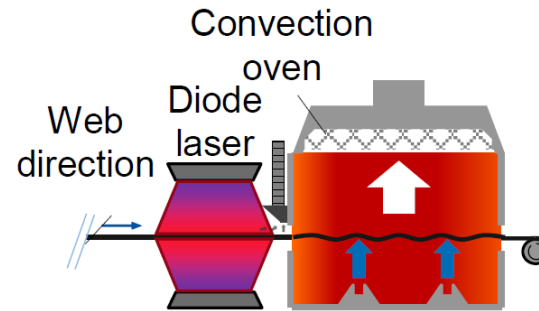
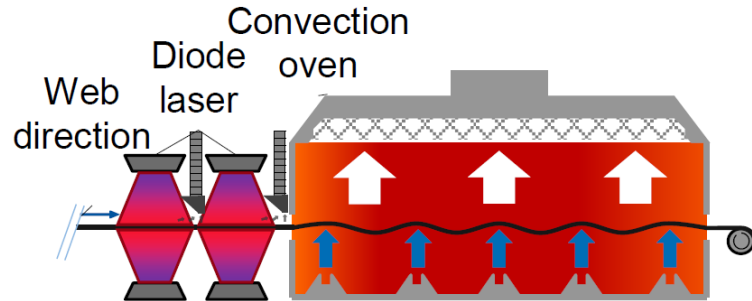


Use-Case

Throughput Increase

Footprint Reduction

Concept



Retrofit – Laser pre-dried/heated product travels faster through existing long oven

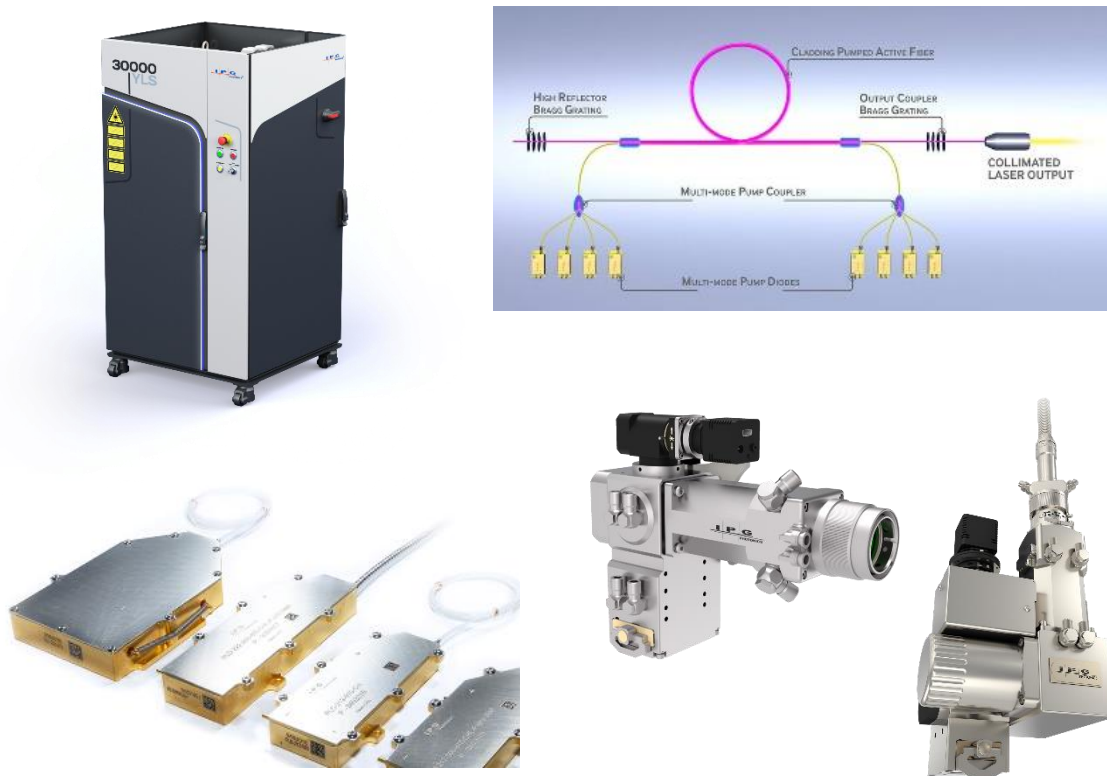
Green Field – Laser pre-heat enables shorter oven

Hybrid – Leverages fast, efficient laser pre-heat, preserves convection baking outcome

Laser Heater | Mature Product Platform

Workhorse Industrial Fiber Laser with minor alterations

Industrial Fiber Laser



Industrial Diode Heater



Components for high brightness removed

Upgrade to diode lasers optimized for efficiency, driven at lower current

Transition from focus to projection optics

DLS-ECO | Turnkey Lab System



Class 1 fully enclosed DLS-ECO solution enables in-house R&D and applications development

- Class I certified – no additional laser safety requirements
- Integrates DLS-ECO laser
- Dual monitors for infrared and visible viewing
- Thermal control loop tightly regulates sample temperature
- Write, save, repeat and edit job files
- Manually adjustable z-axis
- Fume exhaust management, thermal cold-plate
- IPG chiller or house water cooling options



Laser Cleaning

Laser Cleaning | Sustainable Alternative

Fast, Sterile, no Byproducts, Touch-Free, Selective & Safe



Touchless

No substrate damage

Sustainable

No chemical or blasting media required

Selective

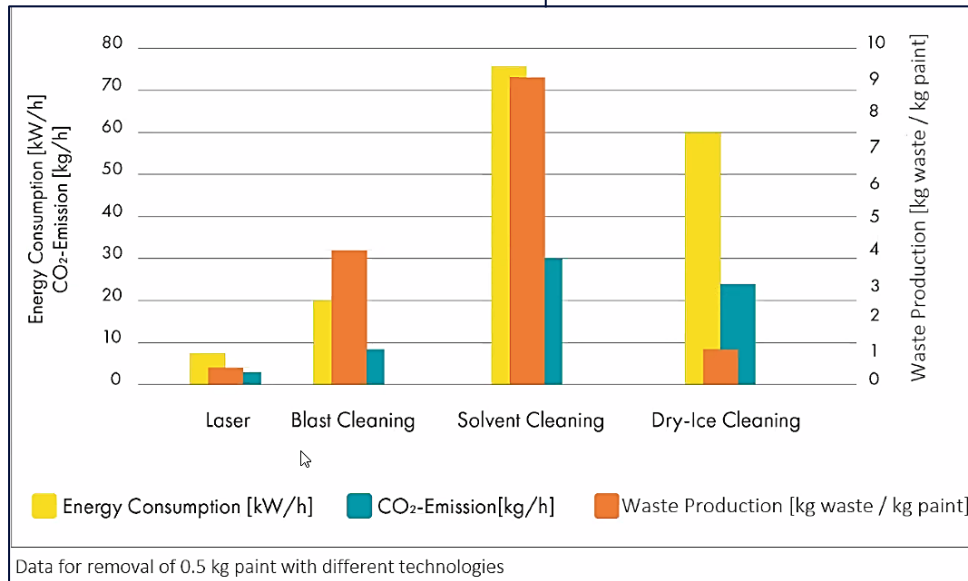
Clean only where & what needs cleaning

Safe

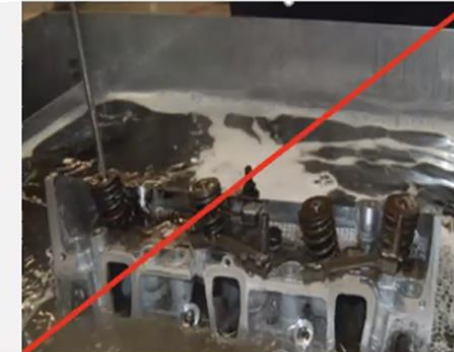
Easy to operate, non-toxic & quiet

Cost effective

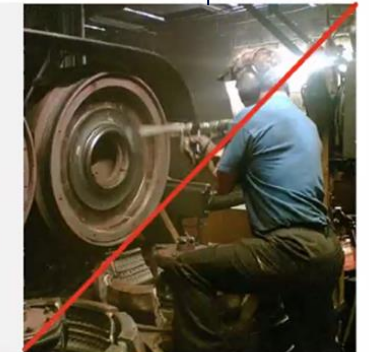
Maintenance free laser
100,000+ h



No more sandblasting dust



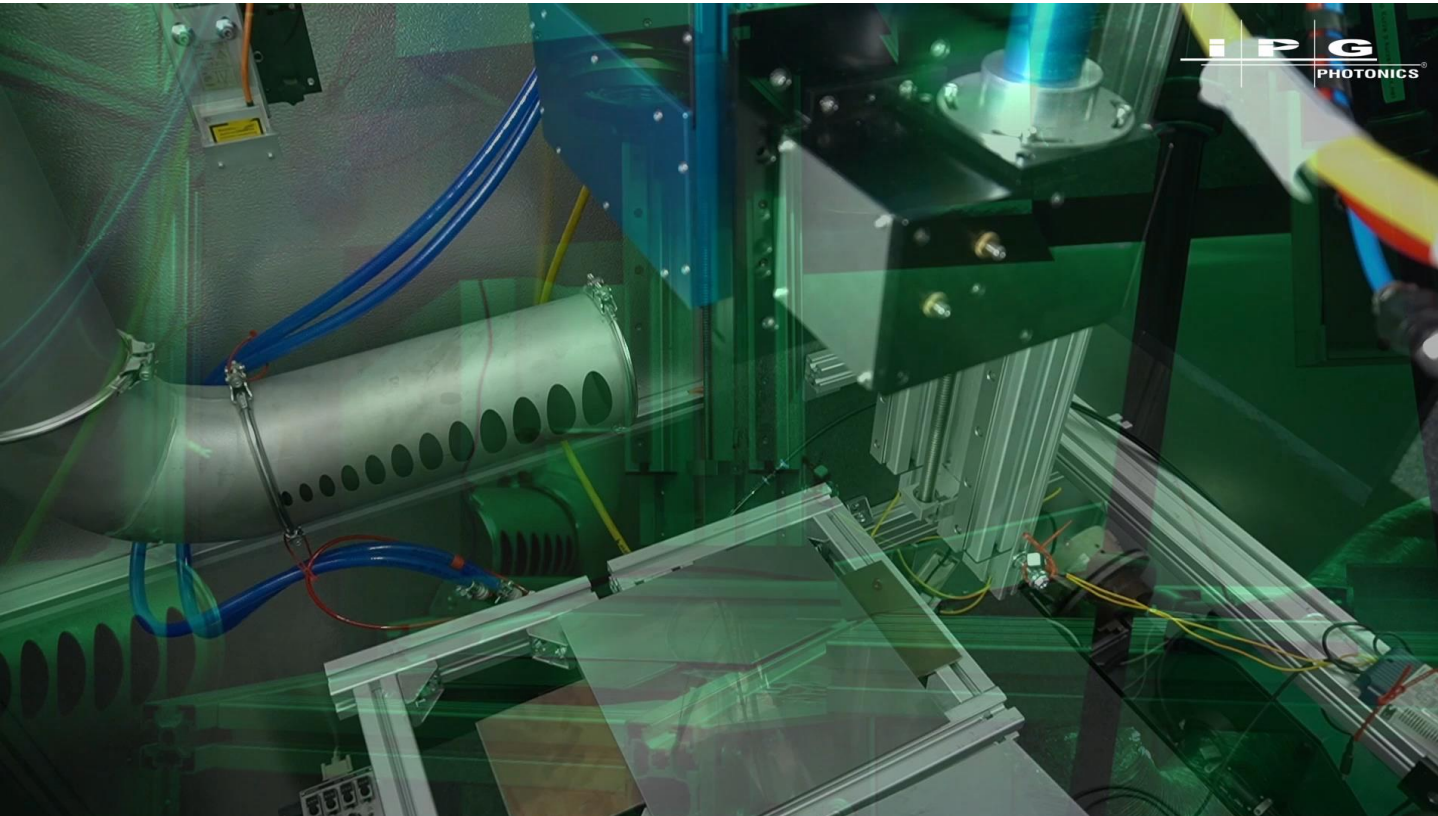
No more chemicals



No noisy ice cleaning

Laser Cleaning | Speed Record

200 milliseconds to degrease an 8.5"x11' metal surface



High Speed Scanner

- Degreasing and drying (lightest cleaning tasks) are scanner-limited
- New scanners unlock full potential of laser cleaning
 - Laser spot moves >1 km/sec
- This cleaning demo amounts to 1,200 m²/hour!

Laser Cleaning | Bakeware Example

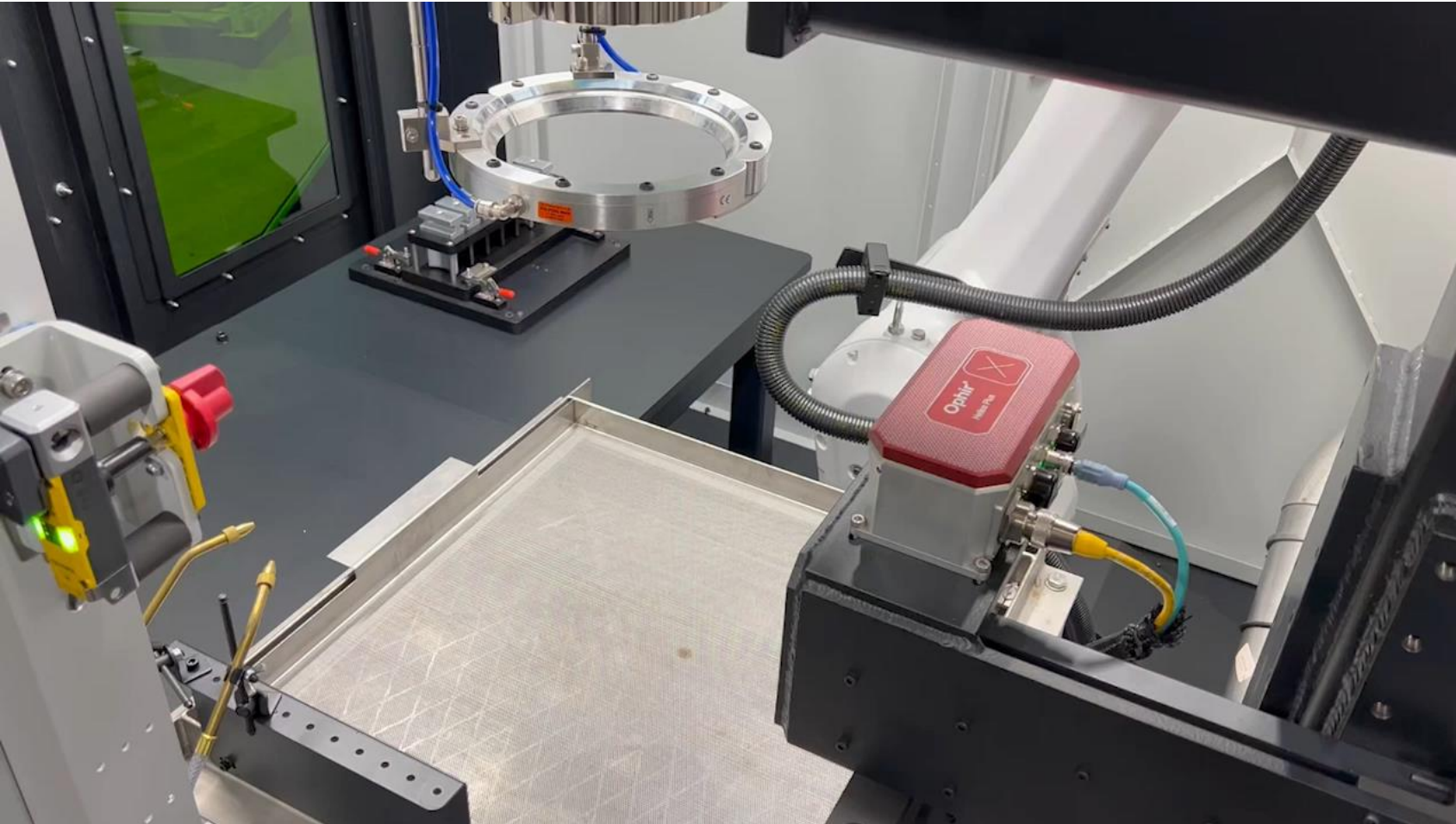
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Clean enough to eat off...

Laser Cleaning | Suited for Automation

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Aerospace Turbine Example

- Robotic Cleaning Cell
- High Value parts refurbished
- Touch-free, laser cleaning is efficient, extends part life
- No by products, ablated coating is sequestered by fume management system

Laser Cleaning | Mature Portfolio



Components

- Nanosecond Pulsed Lasers
- Scanning Beam Delivery



Systems and Software

- Robotic and Cartesian
- Recipe Library
- Automated Toolpath Calculations

Integrated Laser Control Solutions





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