GERMANIUM (Ge) COMPONENTS

- Wide IR transmission range covering 1.8–16 μm
- Opaque in the visible range

Ge based optical components are widely used for IR applications. Ge is well suited for manufacturing windows and lenses for IR applications in lasers and optical systems. Ge components are used with AR coatings because of high surface reflectivity of substrate.

The high refractive index ensures an exceptional single wavelength performance for a "best form" singlet constructed from germanium.

Ge lenses, Brewster windows, mirrors and beamsplitters are available upon request.



External transmission for Ge window of 10 mm thickness.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

| Crystal type | cubic |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Lattice constant, Å | a = 5.657 |
| Density, g/cm ³ | 5.33 |
| Melting point, °C | 936 |
| Refractive index @ 10.6 µm | n = 4.0034 |
| Transmission band, µm | 1.8–17 |

SPECIFICATIONS

| Material | optical quality Ge crystal (Δn/cm < 0.5×10 ⁻⁵) |
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| Surface quality | 60-40 scratch & dig (MIL-PRF-13830B) |
| Clear aperture | 80% of the diameter |
| Diameter tolerance | +0.0 -0.1 mm |
| Thickness tolerance | ±0.2 mm |
| Surface flatness | < 1.5 λ per inch @ 633 nm |
| Parallelism | < 3 arcmin |

| Catalogue number | Diameter, mm | Thickness, mm | Coating | Price, EUR |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------|
| 580-6023 | 25.4 | 3.0 | uncoated | 99 |
| 580-6034 | 38.1 | 4.0 | uncoated | 210 |
| 580-6055 | 50.8 | 5.0 | uncoated | 299 |
| 580-6123 | 25.4 | 3.0 | AR/AR @ 10.6 μm | 159 |
| 580-6134 | 38.1 | 4.0 | AR/AR @ 10.6 µm | 269 |
| 580-6155 | 50.8 | 5.0 | AR/AR @ 10.6 µm | 370 |

Please contact us for other sizes or required specifications of coating.

HOUSING ACCESSORIES

Kinematic Mirror and Beamsplitter Mount 840-0020 See page 8.58

