

EV-CUBE

Automated Battery Module Welding System



FEATURES

- ▶ Sized for cylindrical cell modules up to 1000 x 1000 x 600 mm and 450 kg
- ▶ IPG laser and beam delivery optimized for the application
- ▶ Standard weld station with proven weld process developed by IPG
- ▶ Real-time Weld Measurement option



BENEFITS

- ▶ Typically 3X faster than alternative technologies - lowers production costs
- ▶ IPG process knowledge accelerates implementation and reduces schedule risk
- ▶ Optional Real-time Weld Measurement prevents catastrophic part failures and recalls
- ▶ Optional tooling development services from IPG increase part yield and accelerate time to first part
- ▶ Single-vendor solution from experts in both laser process and tooling simplifies communications

EV-Cube Battery Module Welding Systems are full-automated workstations for welding busbars in cylindrical cell modules. Configurable for either manual or conveyor-fed part loading, systems are suitable for process development, prototype and low-volume production welding.

EV-Cube is configurable with virtually all IPG lasers and scanning heads. IPG will provide guidance on the best equipment selection for specific applications (material/thickness combinations) based on proven battery welding implementations.

System options include part loading, IPG battery module tooling services and Real-Time Weld Measurement for 100% qualification of weld profiles.

EV-Cube is a standard battery welding system that together with IPG laser processing and tooling design services greatly accelerates implementation compared to custom-designed alternatives.

Available to both end users and line integrators, IPG will work under multilateral NDAs to ensure meeting current and evolving welding needs.

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System Specifications

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| Laser Source | IPG industrial fiber lasers from 1000 to 6000 W. Single and Multi-mode (See options) |
| Beam Delivery | IPG High Power Scanner |
| Maximum Part Size/Weight, mm/kg | 1000 x 1000 x 600 / 450 |
| Part Loading | Manual load or Conveyor pass-through (See options) |
| Typical Applications | Busbar welding of cylindrical, pouch and prismatic cells (Single sided) |
| Typical Materials | Copper, Aluminum (1050,1100, 3003) Nickel, Stainless Steel, Ni-plated Steel and Ni-plated copper |
| Weld Positioning (XY), mm, μ m Range X-Y /Repeatability Weld to Cell Accuracy, μ m | 1000 x 1000 \pm 10 x 10 50 |
| Part Tooling | IPG Custom-designed part tooling (including busbar clamping) included in system price |
| System Control | Industrial PLC controller with front swing-arm mounted HMI and keyboard. Pendant control of motion system (3 axes) and system doors |
| Machine Enclosure | CDRH Class 1 workcell (External Laser size dependent on laser type) |
| Dimensions (L x W x H), mm | 2600 x 2200 x 1800 |
| Weight, kg | 4,500 |
| Software | Single operator HMI and process control software with embedded IPGScan deflection controller. External commands through Ethernet IP |
| Operating Environment, °C (°F) | Temperature: 20 - 35 (68 - 95) Relative Humidity < 50 - 65%, No dew or frost |

System Options

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| Laser Source (Options) | Adjustable Mode Beam 2/4 kW Single & Multi-mode with independent core & ring power control | Rack Mounted Lasers 1 - 2 kW Single-mode 4 - 6 kW Multi-mode | Laser Cabinets 1 - 2 kW Single-mode 4 - 6 kW Multi-mode |
| Real-Time Weld Measurement | Integrated real-time inline coherent imaging (ICI) weld monitoring system measuring weld penetration depth, transverse profile | | |
| Part Loading | Manual part loading via system front doors or conveyor pass-through with automated entry and exit doors. All doors interlocked for laser Class 1 operation | | |
| Vision | Integrated vision imaging and correction system providing typical weld-to-part accuracy of \pm 50 μ m | | |
| Height Sensor | Integrated height sensing and correction system providing typical height setting accuracy of \pm 50 μ m | | |
| Power Meter | Integrated power meter for automatic, programmable measurement of laser power | | |



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