

# 8450 nm Quantum Cascade Laser, 300 mW

QF8450C2



### **Description**

The QF8450C2 is a single spatial mode, Fabry-Perot Quantum Cascade Laser designed and manufactured by Thorlabs. This laser operates in Continuous Wave (CW) mode at room temperature. The QF8450C2 is mounted on an open heatsink C-mount package. The laser cathode is electrically isolated from the heatsink base. This discrete semiconductor laser is a compact light source suited to many applications. There is no monitor photodiode.

#### **Specifications**

| QF8450C2                           |              |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| LD Reverse Voltage (Max)           | 1 V          |  |  |  |
| PD Reverse Voltage (Max)           | N/A          |  |  |  |
| Absolute Max Current               | 1.1 A        |  |  |  |
| Absolute Max Output Power          | 600 mW       |  |  |  |
| Operating Temperature <sup>a</sup> | 15 to 50 °C  |  |  |  |
| Storage Temperature <sup>a</sup>   | -40 to 85 °C |  |  |  |



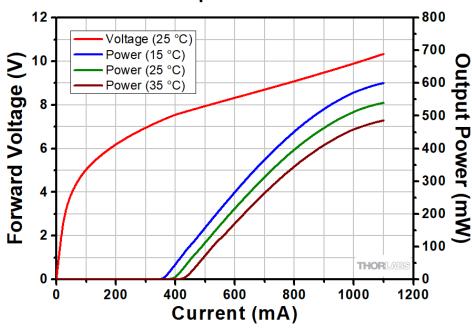
#### a. Non-Condensing Environment

| QF8450C2 Specifications, $T_{case} = 25$ °C, CW Current Operation |                  |         |         |         |  |
|---|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
|   | Symbol           | Min     | Typical | Max     |  |
| Center Wavelength   | λ <sub>C</sub>   | 8.25 µm | 8.45 µm | 8.65 µm |  |
| Spectral Bandwidth<br>(5% - 95% Integrated Power)                 | Δλ               | -       | 500 nm  | -       |  |
| Output Power  | P <sub>out</sub> | 300 mW  | -       | -       |  |
| Operating Current   | l <sub>op</sub>  | -       | 750 mA  | 1000 mA |  |
| Threshold Current   | I <sub>TH</sub>  | -       | 450 mA  | -       |  |
| Forward Voltage   | $V_{F}$          | -       | 9 V     | 12 V    |  |
| Slope Efficiency  | ΔΡ/ΔΙ            | -       | 1.0 W/A | -       |  |
| Divergence Angle, Perpendicular (FWHM)                            | $	heta_{\perp}$  | -       | 60°     | -       |  |
| Divergence Angle, Parallel (FWHM)                                 | Θι               | -       | 40°     | -       |  |

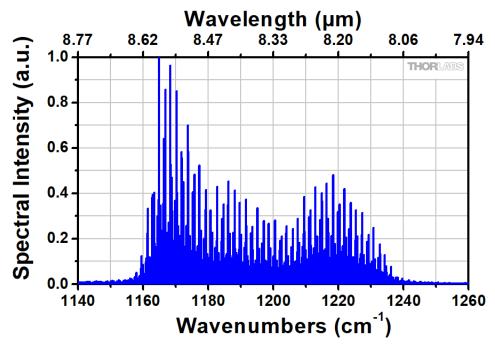


#### Sample Performance Plots

#### QF8450C2 Sample L-I-V Characteristics

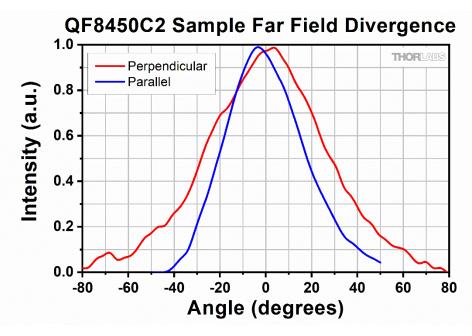


# QF8450C2 Sample Output Spectrum





#### Performance Plots (Cont.)



Far field divergence values are measured at 25 °C and at a distance of 89.4 mm from the laser. The detector's aperture is Ø10 mm, and the sampling step size is 3°. The angle subtended by the detector is 6.4°.

## Drawings for QF8450C2

