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HylIntensity Fiber Laser earns Product of the Year award from engineering community



Roosendaal, The Netherlands, May 2012—Hypertherm’s HylIntensity HFL015 Fiber Laser is the recipient of the Product of the Year award from the NASA Tech Briefs’ Photonics Tech Briefs edition. Half a dozen members of Hypertherm’s Fiber Laser team recently accepted the award from NASA Tech Briefs manager Edward Marecki, who drove up to New Hampshire to personally present the award.

NASA Tech Briefs, which began as a publication chronicling significant research at the space agency, is read by nearly 200,000 members of the engineering community. At the end of each year, those readers vote on which product, previously selected as a “Product of the Month” by Tech Briefs editors, is the most significant new introduction to their community for that year.

“It is exciting anytime we receive an award, but to receive an award like this from engineers, who are undoubtedly exposed to breakthrough technology every day, is truly an honor,” said Douglas Shuda, marketing manager for Hypertherm’s Laser systems.

Hypertherm’s HylIntensity HFL015 Fiber Laser system is a 1.5 kilowatt system notable because it was the first fully-integrated fiber laser system designed specifically for cutting applications, including marking and fine-feature cutting. Since the beginning of the year two more HylIntensity Fiber Laser systems —the two kilowatt **HFL020** and the one kilowatt **HFL010** – **joined the product line**. Visitors can learn more about all three HylIntensity systems by visiting www.fiberlasercutting.com.

Hypertherm designs and manufactures advanced cutting systems for use in a variety of industries such as shipbuilding, manufacturing, and automotive repair. Its product line includes handheld and mechanized plasma and laser systems, consumables, as well as CNC motion and height controls and CAM cutting software. Hypertherm systems are trusted for performance and reliability that results in increased productivity and profitability for tens of thousands of businesses. The company’s reputation for plasma innovation dates back more than 40 years, to 1968, with Hypertherm’s invention of water injection plasma cutting. The company has more than 1,200 associates along with operations and partner representation worldwide.

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