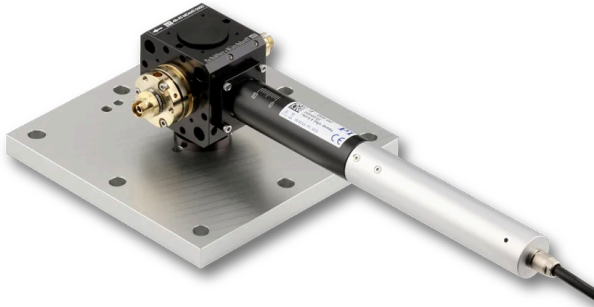


## Fiber-coupled Attenuator 48AT-MD

Motorized attenuator unit for interconnecting two fiber cables



### FEATURES

Fiber-coupled attenuator, motorized

- For single-mode or PM fiber cables
- Insertion loss typically 1.5 dB, extinction > 60 dB
- Adjustable
- Compact, rugged, transportable and sealed opto-mechanical units
- Very high long-term stability, efficiency and reproducibility
- Can be used as interface between different types of single-mode fibers or connectors
- Motorized with servo motor

## DESCRIPTION

Laser Attenuator 48AT-MD is used for reproducible and precise reduction of the power output by the laser. The collimated laser beam is constricted by a precision ball transported by a motorized micrometer screw. The subsequent single-mode fiber coupling is used as a mode filter.

This mechanically stable attenuation method allows the precise and reproducible setting of the laser power output over a wide range (typically 1.5 to > 60 dB). Unlike a power regulation by modulation of the laser current, the wavelength and polarization status of the laser beam are preserved.

The micrometer screw has a servo motor. A programmable controller with USB and RS232 interface is available.

A reproducible power attenuation is only assured for single-mode fibers with a Gaussian intensity profile. In case of a multimode fiber not only the power is attenuated but also the intensity distribution ex fiber is affected.

### Fiber Couplers

A fundamental component of the Fiber-to-Fiber Coupler is the [Laser Beam Coupler](#), which is the input into the opto-mechanical unit collimating the input radiation and, finally, couples the radiation back into the second fiber cable. The stability of the total Fiber-to-Fiber Coupler is determined by the [stability](#) of the laser beam coupler.

**Coupling focal length**

The best focal length for the 60SMS Laser Beam Couplers used in these systems is f' 11 - 12 mm. If the effective numerical apertures of the two fiber used with this system are different, you have to use two Laser Beam Couplers with different focal lengths.

**Configuration**

For selecting the 60SMS Laser Beam Couplers please refer to the [60SMS Laser Beam Couplers site](#)

## TECHNICAL DATA

Fiber-coupled Attenuator 48AT-MD

Order code	48AT-MD
Wavelengths	370 - 1700 nm, monochromatic*
Focal length	11 mm (standard)
Fiber type	single-mode or polarization-maintaining
Connector type	FC APC (standard)
Attenuation	1.5 dB to > 60 dB @ 780 nm
	* Broadband systems on request
Weight	860 gr

## FAQ

### 48AT

**Can I use the 48AT attenuator with multimode fibers?**

No you should not. If used with single-mode fibers the fibers serve as a mode filter and the exiting beam is still Gaussian with reduced power. In case of a multimode fiber not only the power is attenuated but also the intensity distribution ex fiber is affected.

## DOWNLOADS



[990812090300.pdf \(Dimensional drawing\).](#)



[Adjustment\\_SMS.pdf \(Manual\).](#)

## ACCESSORIES

60EX-4	Eccentric key with a stroke of $\pm 0.5$ mm.
9D-12	Screwdriver WS 1.2
50HD-15	Hex key WS 1.5

## RELATED PRODUCTS

<b>POLARIZATION ANALYZER SK010PA</b>	Measurement tool for coupling into polarization-maintaining fiber cables
<b>LASER BEAM COUPLERS SERIES 60SMS</b>	for coupling into single-mode and polarization-maintaining fiber cables
<b>MULTICUBE COMPONENTS</b>	Multicube Components like mounting plates, cubes etc.

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