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## **Lasing Reporting Summary**

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| 1.  | Threshold  |               |  |  |  |
|     | Plots of device output power versus pump power over a wide range of values indicating a clear threshold  | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 2.  | Linewidth narrowing  |               |  |  |  |
|     | Plots of spectral power density for the emission at pump<br>powers below, around, and above the lasing threshold,<br>indicating a clear linewidth narrowing at threshold   | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
|     | Resolution of the spectrometer used to make spectral measurements  | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 3.  | Coherent emission  |               |  |  |  |
|     | Measurements of the coherence and/or polarization of the emission  | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 4.  | Beam spatial profile   |               |  |  |  |
|     | Image and/or measurement of the spatial shape and profile of the emission, showing a well-defined beam above threshold   | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 5.  | Operating conditions   |               |  |  |  |
|     | Description of the laser and pumping conditions  Continuous-wave, pulsed, temperature of operation   | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
|     | Threshold values provided as density values (e.g. W cm $^{-2}$ or J cm $^{-2}$ ) taking into account the area of the device  | ☐ Yes<br>☑ No | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 5.  | Alternative explanations   |               |  |  |  |
|     | Reasoning as to why alternative explanations have been ruled out as responsible for the emission characteristics e.g. amplified spontaneous, directional scattering; modification of fluorescence spectrum by the cavity | Yes No        | The object of our study is not a laser device. |  |  |
| 7.  | Theoretical analysis   |               |  |  |  |
|     | Theoretical analysis that ensures that the experimental values measured are realistic and reasonable e.g. laser threshold, linewidth, cavity gain-loss, efficiency   | X Yes No      | Method part in manuscript and SI               |  |  |
| 3.  | Statistics   |               |  |  |  |
|     | Number of devices fabricated and tested  | X Yes         | Method part in manuscript and SI               |  |  |
|     | Statistical analysis of the device performance and lifetime (time to failure)  | X Yes         | Method part in manuscript and SI               |  |  |