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Random lasing emission from colloidal solutions of graphitic carbon nitride microstructures

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Abstract

In this paper, we report on random lasing emission from colloidal solutions of graphitic carbon nitride $(g-C_3N_4)$ microstructures. The g-C₃N₄ microstructures are dispersed in rhodamine B (RhB) dye solution to provide the necessary optical feedback via light multi-scattering events. RhB molecules provide optical gain via stimulated emission process under intense optical pumping. It is experimentally demonstrated that random lasing action occurs in the colloidal solution composed of dye and g-C₃N₄ microstructures, after a specific threshold. We study the pump dependent behavior of the proposed system. Since only amplified spontaneous emission is achieved from the solution of RhB dye without g-C₃N₄ microstructures, it is demonstrated that the existence of g-C₃N₄ microstructures and observe that the output intensity increases and the lasing threshold decreases by increasing the concentration of g-C₃N₄ microstructures. It is then verified that g-C₃N₄ microstructures can be a good candidate for the scattering medium in random lasers and the essential optical feedback for realizing random lasing emission is provided by light multi-scattering from g-C₃N₄ microstructures.

keywords: random laser, multiple light scattering, graphitic carbon nitride

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