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Dear Michael:

Enclosed is my final technical report for my AFOSR DURIP'97 grant #F49620-97-1-0186.

Best regards,

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GRANT NO. F49620-97-1-0186

**"DURIP97 Infrared Cavity Ringdown Laser Absorption Spectroscopy: Metal-Containing
Clusters and HEDM Molecules"**

(Period Covered: 04/01/97 – 03/31/98)

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In the original DURIP grant we requested a Continuum Mirage OPA System with a Coherent Infinity Pump Laser System, as well as a Laser Vision DFG package. With this system we would be able to perform cavity ringdown laser absorption spectroscopy experiments from the UV to about 16.0 μm with ca. 150 MHz spectral resolution.

Since the proposal was funded we have designed a new approach around a different high resolution pulsed laser – the Light Age Alexandrite System. This laser produces pulses with ca. 40 MHz linewidths and pulse energies near 150 mJ – considerably higher spectral resolution than obtainable from the OPA System, with much greater convenience. This system operates in the range 700-800 μm , necessitating a Raman shifting scheme to obtain IR wavelengths. We have designed an appropriate system that will in principle allow coverage from FIR to UV with very narrow bandwidths. The rest of the equipment charges are minor. The system is currently being tested.

**AFOSR DURIP'97
ACQUIRED EQUIPMENT**

**GRANT NO. F49620-97-1-0186
TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT \$245,000
(04/01/97 - 03/31/98)**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MANUFACTURER</u>	<u>COSTS</u>
Coating for Reflective IR Mirrors	Laser Power Optics	\$ 18,950.89
Power Mac 6500 Computer System and Apple Color Stylewriter 2500	The Scholar Workstation	3,224.77
Coating for Reflective IR Mirrors	Laser Power Optics	10,825.00
Pulsed Alexandrite Laser/Pulsed Ring Oscillator System	Light Age Inc.	199,180.00
HI Hurricane I Computer System	Human Ingenuity Industries	1,403.05
Tektronix Field Upgrade Kit	Allied Electronics	568.31
HI Hurricane I Computer System	Human Ingenuity Industries	1,171.27
Power Mac 6500 Computer System	The Scholar Workstation	1,790.46
Stabilizer Vibration Isolators (4 sets)	Newport Corporation	3,823.24
Coating for Reflective IR Mirrors	Laser Power Optics	4,199.97
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Total Equipment Costs		\$245,136.96