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List of Acronyms

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DWDM	Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing
EDF	Erbium Doped Fiber
EDFA	Erbium Doped Fiber Amplifier
EDFG	Erbium Doped Fluorophosphate Glass
EDFRL	Erbium Doped Fiber Ring Laser
FBG	Fiber Bragg Grating
FP-LD	Fabry-Perot Laser Diode
L-Z	Leminger-Zengerle
MFD	Mode field diameter
NA	Numerical Aperature
OSW	1x2 Optical Switch
OSA	Optical Spectrum Analyzer
PCF	Photonic Crystal Fiber
RID	Refractive Index Dispersion
RES	Resolution bandwidth
SAR	Signal-to-ASE Ratio
SLD	Super Luminescent Diode
SMF	Single Mode Fiber
SNR	Signal-to-Noise Ratio
SPF	Side-Polished Fiber
SP-PCF	Side-Polished Photonic Crystal Fiber
WDM	Wavelength Division Multiplexed