Response to reviewer's comments: SAIP 2016 paper 516 by C. Jacobs et. al.

General response by author:

The authors thank the editors and reviewers for their efforts. All the changes suggested by the reviewers have been implemented including changes to figure 5, one typographical error in the references section and one grammatical error in the last paragraph of section 4.

Summary of Reviewers comments dated 20 Nov 2017:

Review 1:

The development of a laser simulator based on Matlab Simulink environment is a valuable tool for experimental applications but can also be an interesting educational tool. The paper is well structured and succinctly written and as such can be accepted for publication. A small typographical error in the first reference: "Siegman [1]".

Review 2:

The captions for the figures are a bit lacking in description.

Figure 5(b): The legend is unclear – what is meant by Plaser? - The caption of these two graphs should also clearly describe what is depicted.

"The output power discrepancies at lower pump powers is due to" – change "is" to "are"

Response by author:

Changes suggested by Reviewer 1 and response:

The typographical error in the references section has been corrected.

Changes suggested by Reviewer 2 and response:

Changes to figure 5 was made as suggested by the reviewer including the correction of the legend of figure 5(b) and a rewording of the captions to provide more detail of what is being depicted.

The grammatical error in the last paragraph of section 4 has also been corrected ("is" to "are").