Aimpoint BR8

A Fire Control System for Small Arms

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THE FUTURE IN SIGHT

Reasons for missing the target

Weapon System (e.g. dispersion)

External influence

(e.g. ballistical trajectory, wind speed and direction, temperature)

Time

(e.g. duration for operation of weapon system)



Target (e.g. visibility, motion)

Operator influence (e.g. shooting position, estimation of distance to target, breathing, aiming, trigger control)

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Most important influence

Operator

Distance to target together with ballistic trajectory

Mechanical solution — MPS3

- 4 MOA red dot
- 8 NVD settings and 8 daylight settings
- 70,000 hours of operation (on setting 12 of 16) on a single battery
- AA 1.5 V alkaline battery (sight accepts voltage up to 5.0 V)
- Prepared for external picatinny rail
- MIL-STD 1913 MGMount includes 3-step ballistic compensator (200,800 and 1200m)

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MPS3 and MGM

 MIL-STD 1913 MGMount includes 3-step ballistic compensator (200,800 and 1200m – option customized)



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In operative use with US Forces



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Swedish FCS development

- Trials with AGL's with different FCS's, and a market study have shown that currently there is no simple, lightweight, robust and affordable FCS available.
- Sweden has therefore decided to develop a FCS with industry for use with underslung grenade launchers, AGL's and 84mm Carl Gustaf recoilless rifles.
- A PDF study was done in 2002.
- A development contract was placed with Aimpoint in 2005.
- Delivery of prototypes in 2007.
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Aimpoint BR8 - Background

- Fully integrated Sight and Fire Control System
- Suitable for a variety of weapons where ballistical correction to improve range performance and P_{Hit}/P_{Kill} is essential
- Prepare system for additional functionalities as technology matures

Potential

 A very large number of grenade launchers with very poor sight systems are in operative use (M203, AG36, XM320....)

- A large number of Automatic Grenade Launchers are in operative use (Mk 19, Mk47, GMG.....)
- A large number of Heavy Machine Guns are in operative use (M2, M3.....)
- A substantial number of Infantry Support Weapons are in use (Carl Gustaf.....)



Crew served, in service



Mk47 with LVS

- + Can do everything anytime
- Expensive, poor batterylife
- Requires a lot of training
- Heavy

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Mk47 with IS 2000

+ Easy to use+/- Small for CS,Big for HH- Moving parts

Hand held, almost in service



OICW with optronic sight

- + Can do everything, anytime
- + 24h system
- Expensive, poor batterylife
- Small FOV = short range

Hand held, almost in service

LEDs indicates correct elevation



Soldato futura, separate FCS

+ Low cost

- -Eyes on sight, not on target
- -No real night capability
- -No possibility to correct fire

Aimpoint BR8 – System

- 1x optical magnification
- 2MOA dot size
- Unlimited eye relief
- 1,2 kg



- 600 m measurement distance
- MIL-STD 1913 (Picatinny rail) interface
- Rechargeable internal battery
- AA size back-up battery

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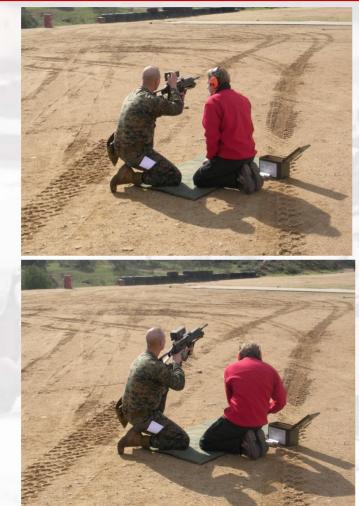


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How it works







1. Aim and measure range



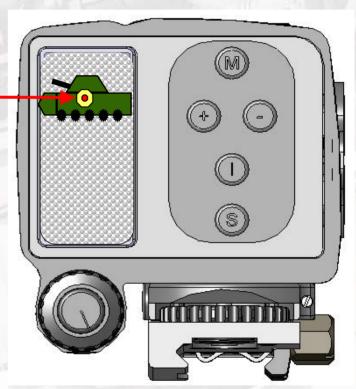
2. Realign and shoot

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Man-Machine Interface

Red dot

Red dot Sight zeroed for the assault weapon
Zeroed to the lobe of the LRF



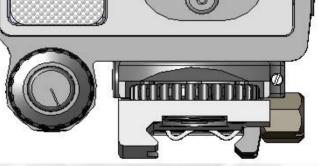
Man-Machine Interface

Possibility to make a new LRF measurement

Possibility to use assault weapon

Blinking Red Dot

presented as aimpoint for 40mm UGL (superelevation)



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Find your target



Aim at target – Measure Range



Blinking Red Dot - Superelevate





Aimpoint BR8 – Project status

- Prototypes have been delivered to FMV (Swedish Defence Materiel Administration)
- Demonstrated for NATO in Toledo 2007-02-15: > 65% P_{Hit} at 1.2x1.2m targets from 100 to 250m!
- Additional prototypes available in late 2008

WHAT DOES THE USER GET?

Superior situational awareness



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WHAT DOES THE USER GET?

- Superior situational awareness
- Fastest target acquisition
- User friendly and reliable
- Dawn and dusk capability
- Compatible with all generations of NVG
- Long battery life
- Dramatic increase in P_{Hit}
- Increased lethality to the enemy and increased survivability to own troops
- Reduced training time and costs

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