

This document will show step-by-step instructions on how to perform a MM RL1 self-calibration.

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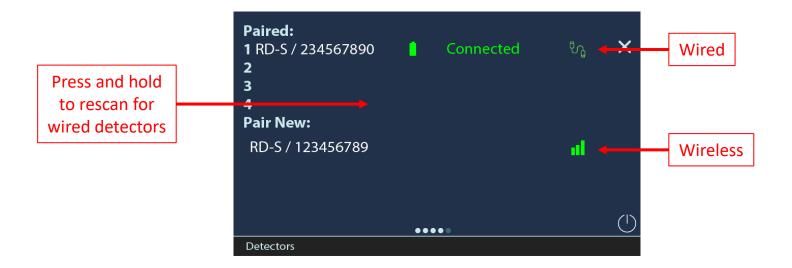
Proper inspection and cleaning is very important.



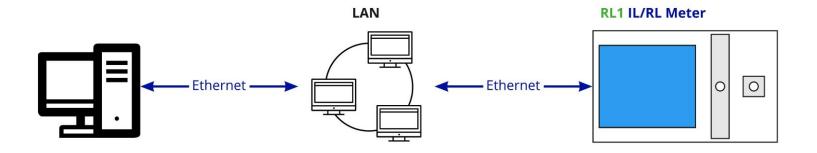


#### If using a remote-head RD-S detector:

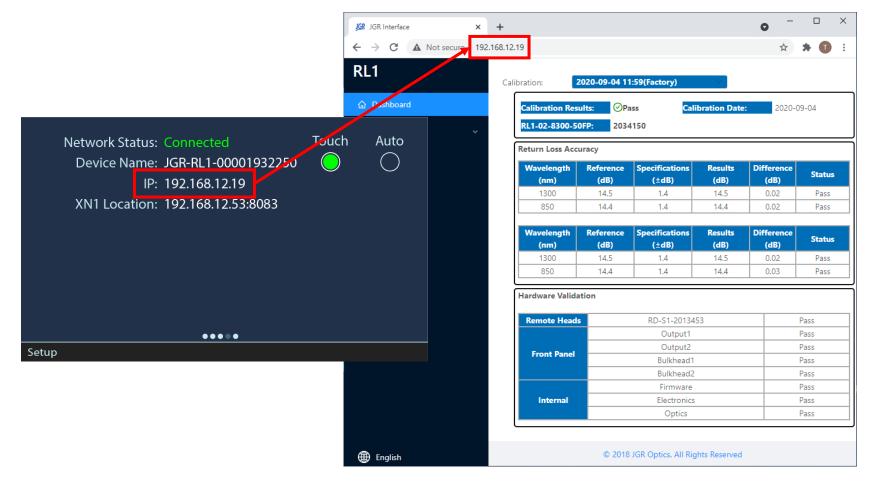
- Connect the RD-S to the RL1 using the blue M12 cable
- Swipe to the *Detectors* page to confirm a wired connection is established



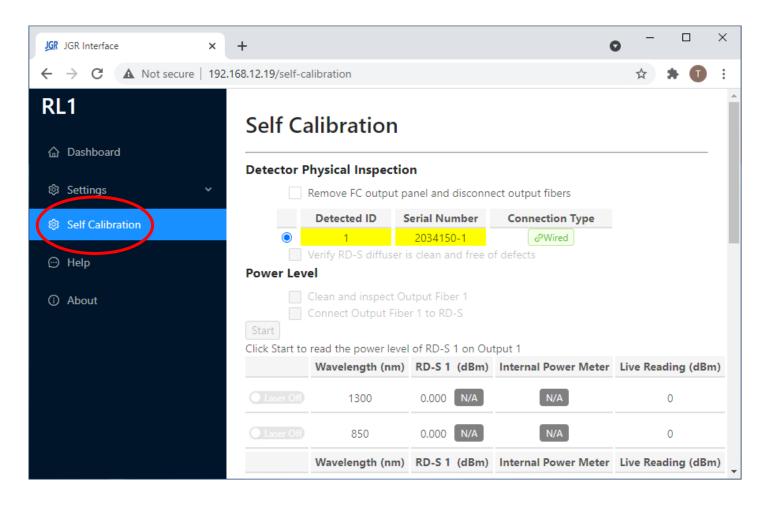
Connect the RL1 via Ethernet to the same LAN as the controlling PC or tablet



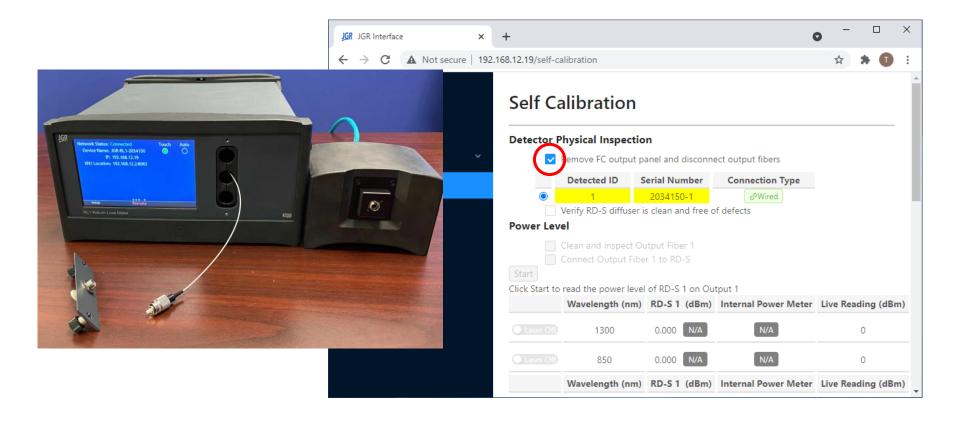
- Swipe to the Setup page to get the RL1's IP address
- Enter the IP address into a web browser (recommended: Google Chrome)



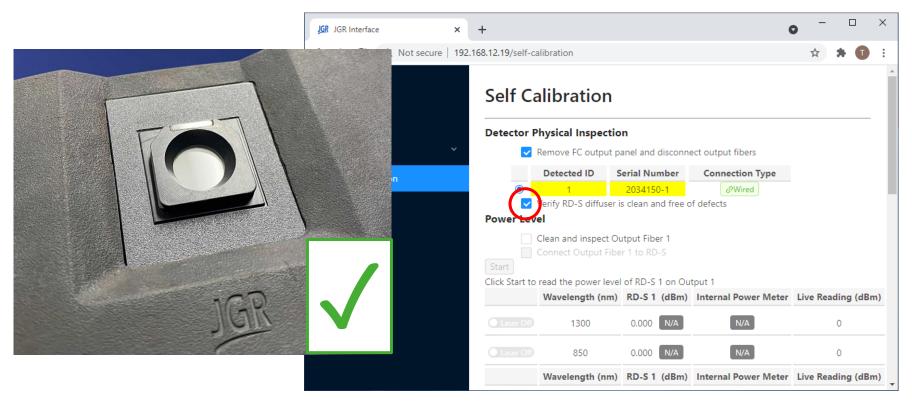
Click on the Self Calibration tab



Remove the output panel and disconnect the lead

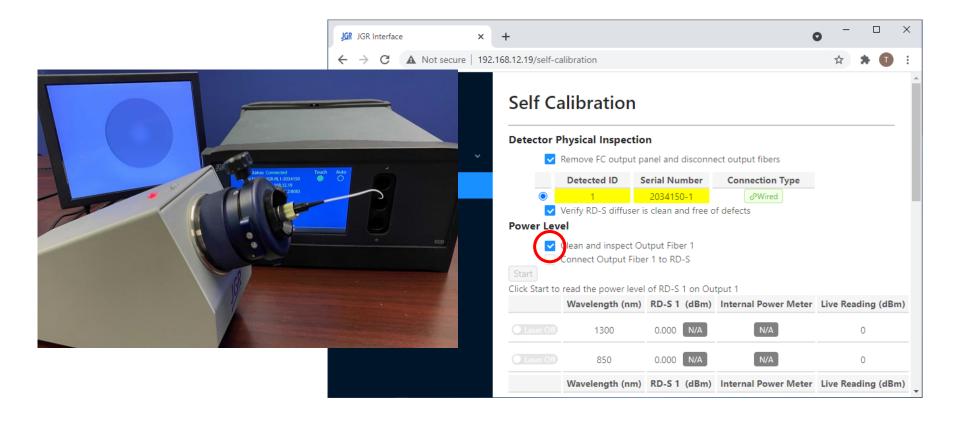


- Verify the detector diffuser glass is clean and free of defects
  - If the diffuser is dirty, gently use a lint free wipe or swab
  - IPA and low pressure compressed air can be used on the diffuser plate
  - o If it is scratched and cannot be cleaned, please contact *support@jgroptics.com*

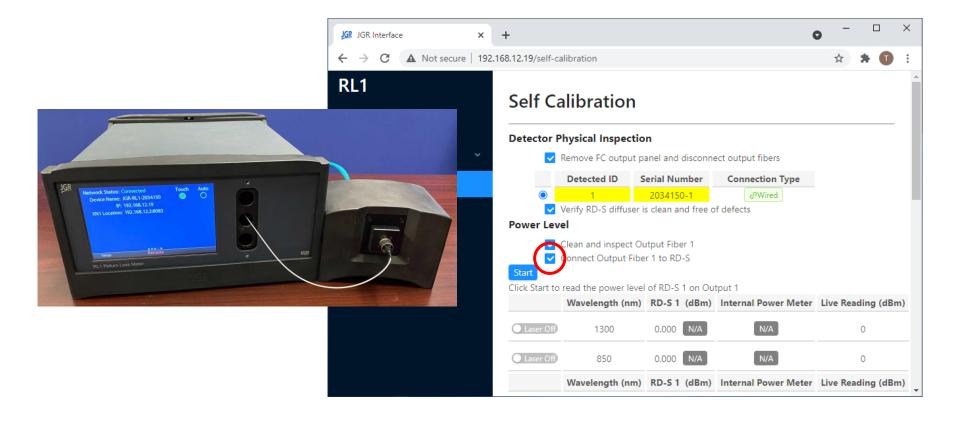


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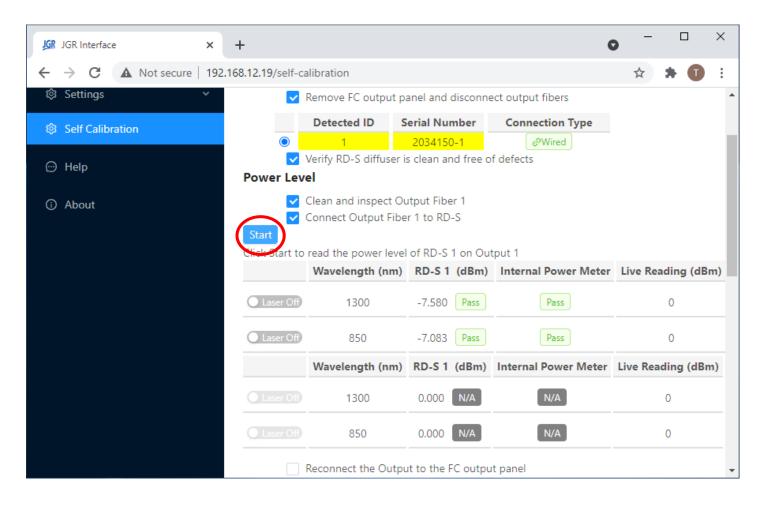
- Clean and inspect the output lead connector
  - Position the scope so that the fiber is not under tension and there are no sharp bends



- Connect the output lead to the detector
  - Make sure that the fiber is not under tension and there are no sharp bends

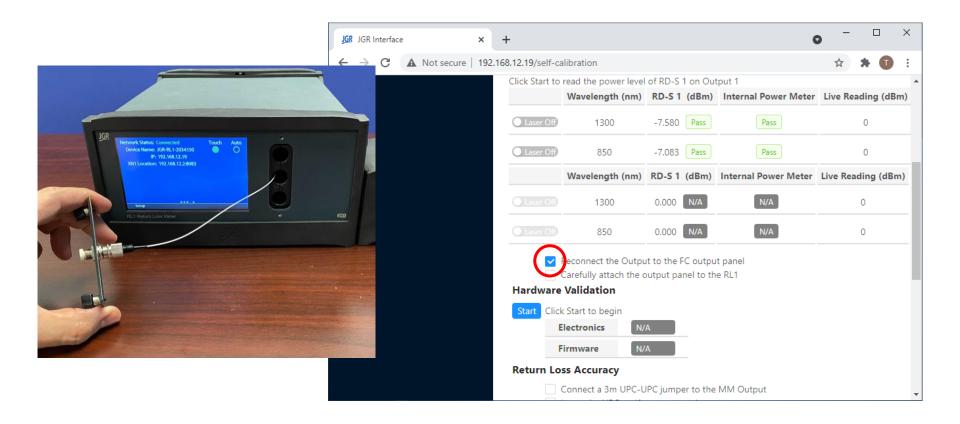


Start the power level

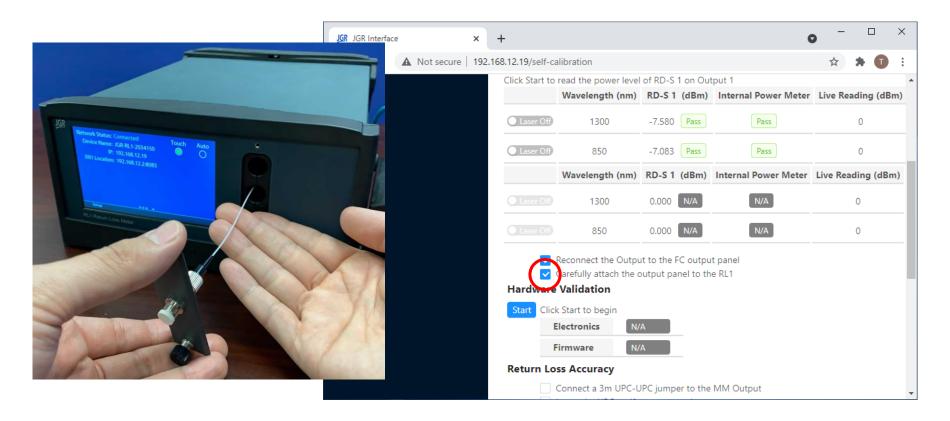


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Reconnect the output lead to the output panel

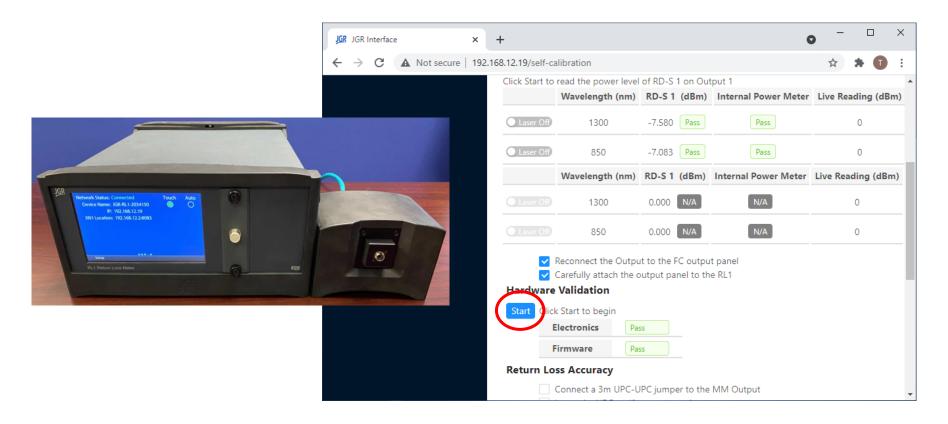


- Carefully reattach the output panel to the RL1
  - Use your free hand to help guide the fiber back in, avoiding any twists or bends
  - o If you feel any resistance, stop, pull out slowly then try again



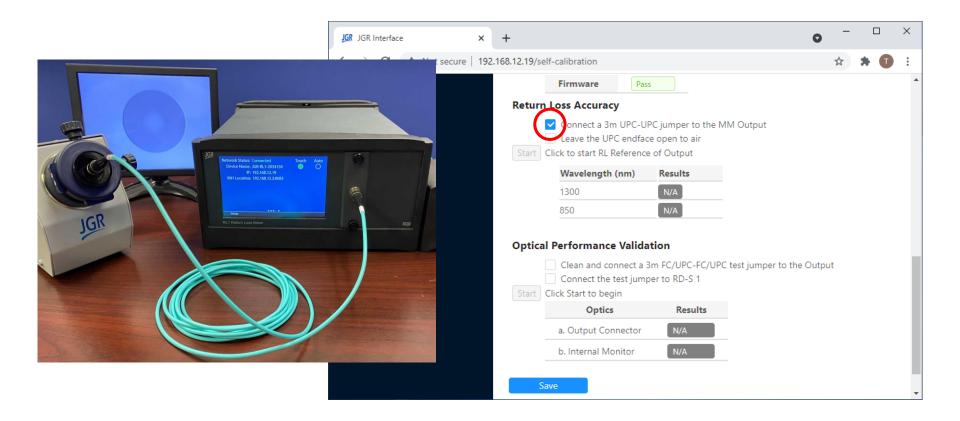
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- Start the hardware validation
  - o If the electronics fail, it's possible the APD is not sufficiently warmed up. Leave the unit on then try again. Depending on the environment, this could take up to 30 min.

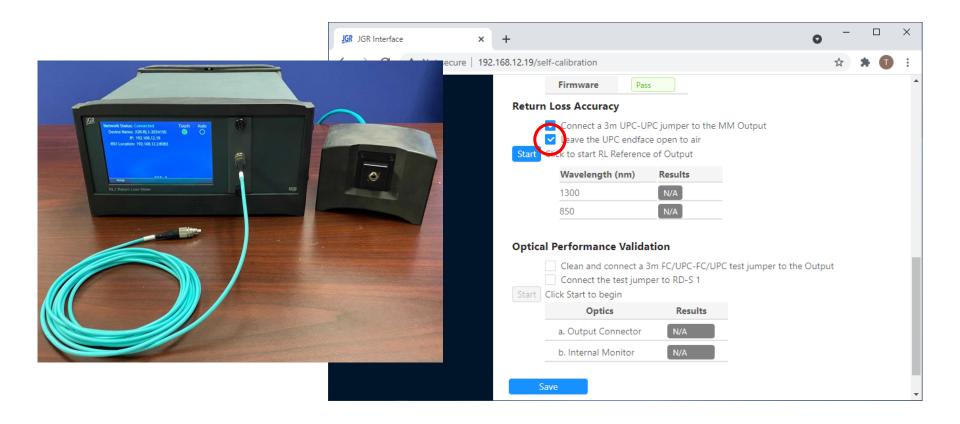


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• Inspect and connect a 3m FC/UPC to FC/UPC (MM) jumper to the RL1 output

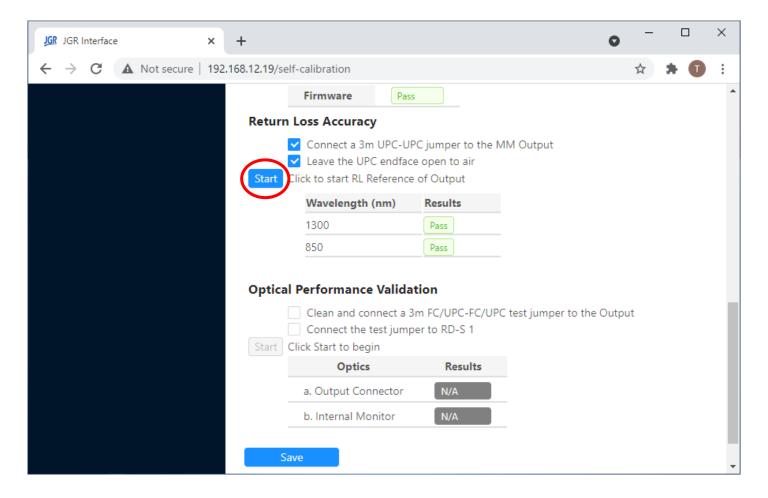


Leave the jumper open to air

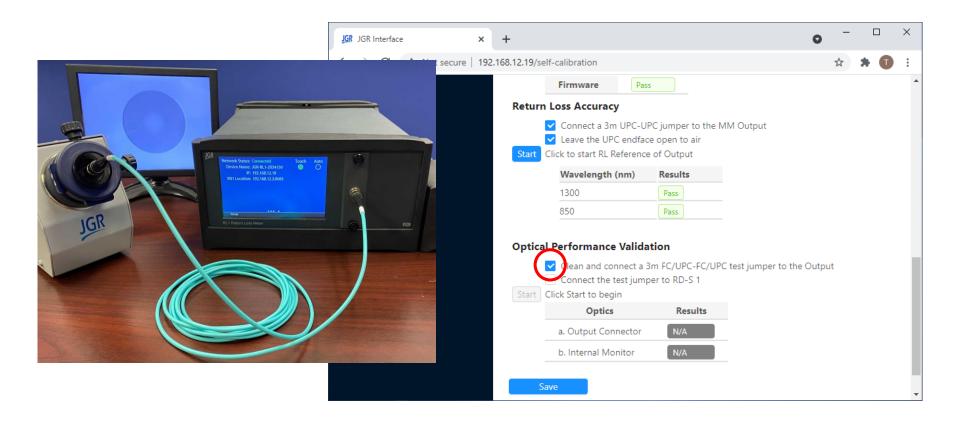


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Start the return loss calibration

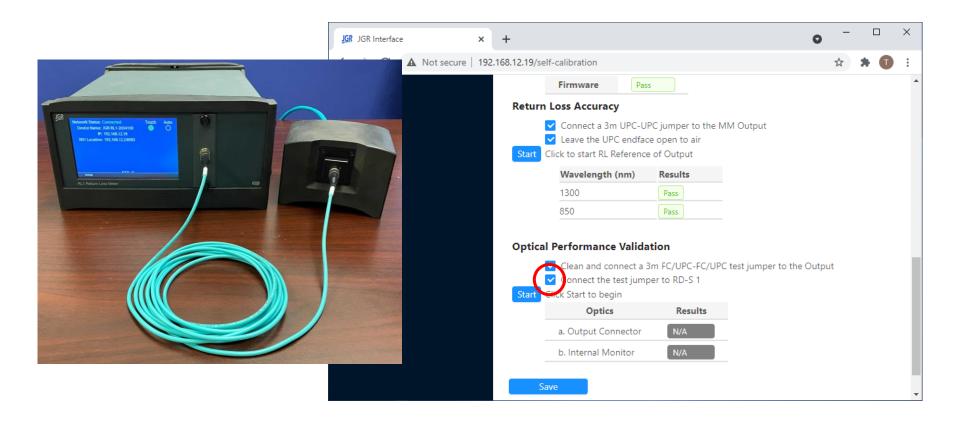


Inspect the jumper end-face



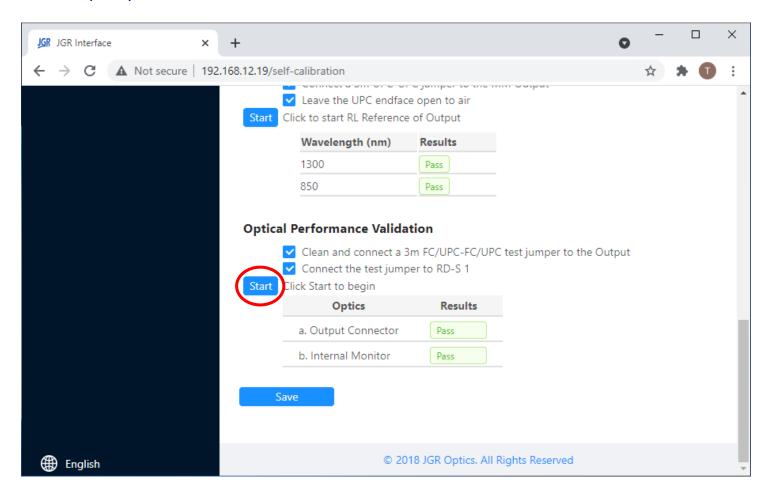
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- Connect the jumper to the detector
  - Make sure the jumper is well managed on the table without any twists or sharp bends



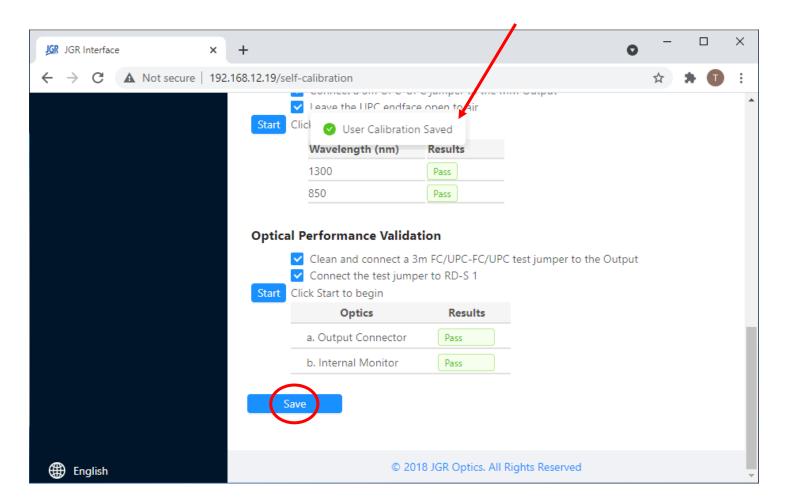
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- Start the optical performance validation
  - This step may take several minutes

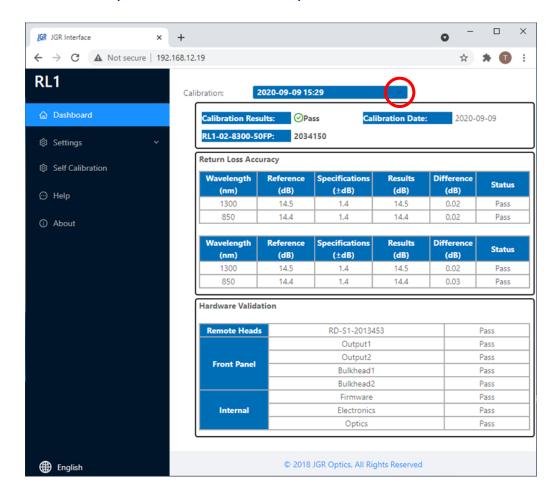


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If all steps passed, save the report



- The report is saved on the meter and is accessible via the webpage dashboard
- Click on the dropdown menu: up to 3 self-calibration reports can be stored on the RL1



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Common issues which can result in a failed step of the self-calibration:

#### Connector contamination

- microscopic airborne dust, chemical residuals or contact with surfaces are common sources of connector end-face contamination
- o inspect and clean both ends before every mating
- if using a lint free wipe is not sufficient, try using IPA and remember to use a dry lint free wipe after applying the IPA to remove any residue

#### Poor fiber management

- o bends and twists of the output lead or test jumper can affect the stability of the unit
- o use a heat-gun to relax the fiber's plastic jacket and smooth out any kinks

#### Microcracks

- fiber mishandling can cause microcracks in fiber causing instability
- if there is no connector contamination and the fiber management is good but you still have issues, try replacing the test jumper
- poor handling of the output lead can cause microcracks if this happens, the unit will need to be shipped back to JGR or one of its approved service centers, please email support@jgroptics.com for additional instructions

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