

# Measurement of LEDs and Solid State Lighting

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# Outline

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1. SSL products - commercialization support
2. Measurement standards for LED/SSL products
3. NIST facilities for LED/SSL measurements
4. Research on Color Quality of LED/SSL sources

# Solid State Lighting – Driving Force

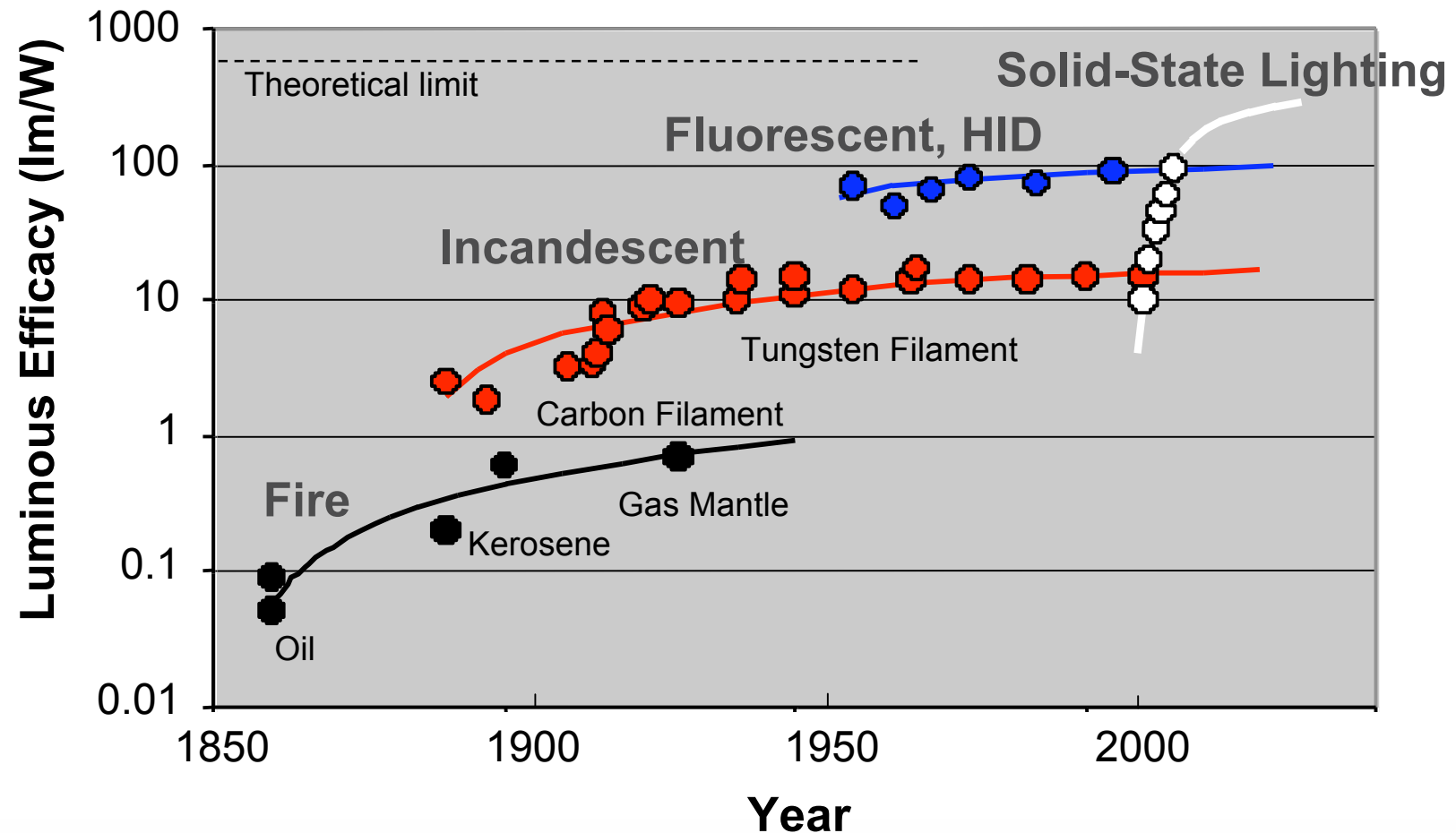
Lighting consumes 22 % of electricity  
8 % of total energy  
(statistics of USA)

**Solid State Lighting, by 2025**

**50% reduction** of energy consumed by lighting  
10% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions  
Customer savings of **\$30 billion annually**  
(U.S. Dep. Energy)

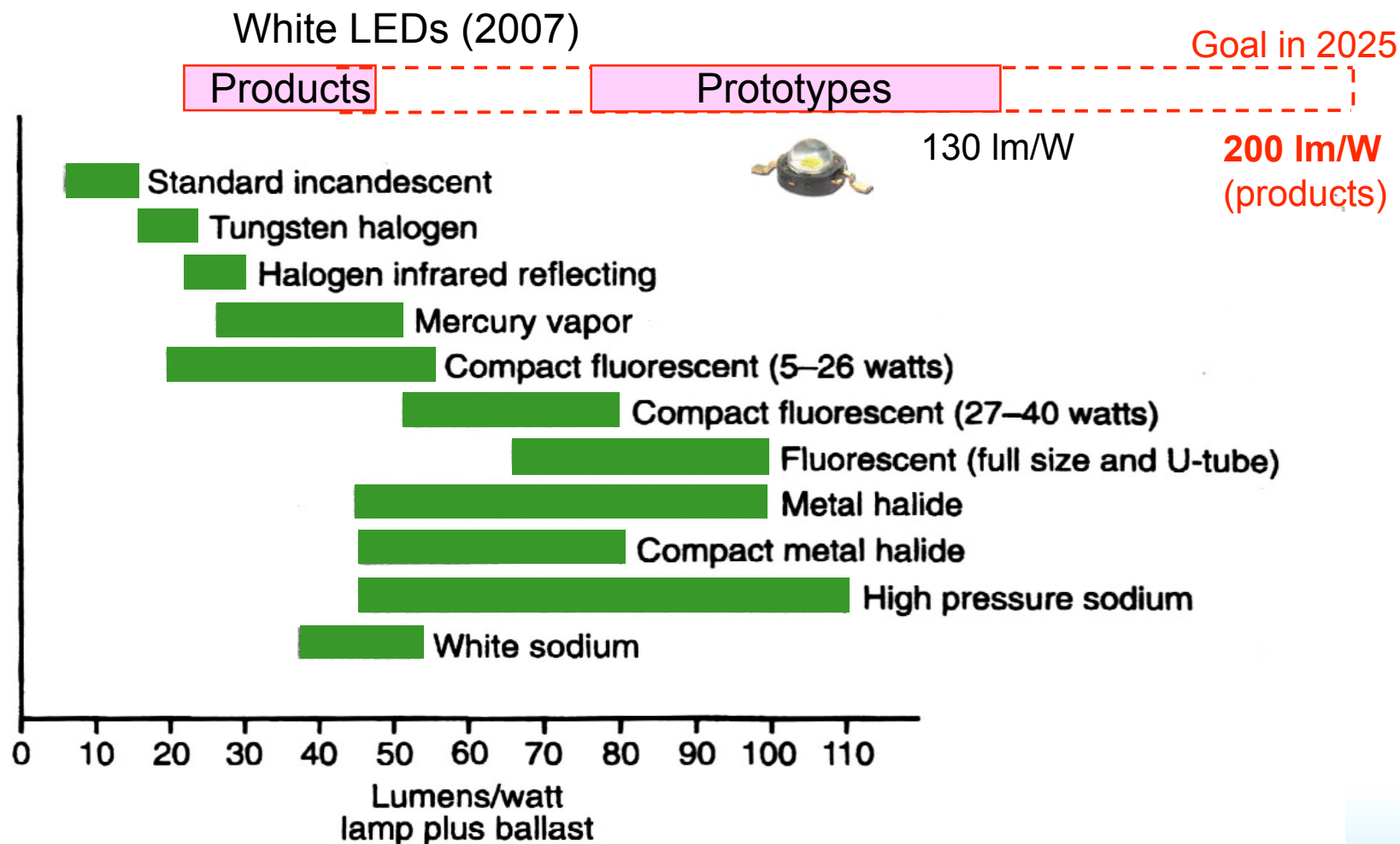


# History of Light Sources



IEEE Circuits and Devices Vol 20, No 3, pp 28-37, May/June, 2004

# Luminous Efficacy – Goal of SSL



Ref. IESNA Lighting Handbook, Ninth Edition, p. 26-3 (2000).

# Rationale for 200 lm/W

**Luminous  
Efficacy  
of a Source  
[lm/W]**

(“Wall-plug efficiency”)

$$\frac{\text{Luminous flux [lm]}}{\text{Electrical power [W]}}$$

**Goal:**

**200 lm/W**

**Luminous  
Efficacy of  
Radiation  
[lm/W]**

(Theoretical  
maximum lm/W)

$$\frac{\text{Luminous flux [lm]}}{\text{Optical power [W]}}$$

**400 lm/W**

**X**

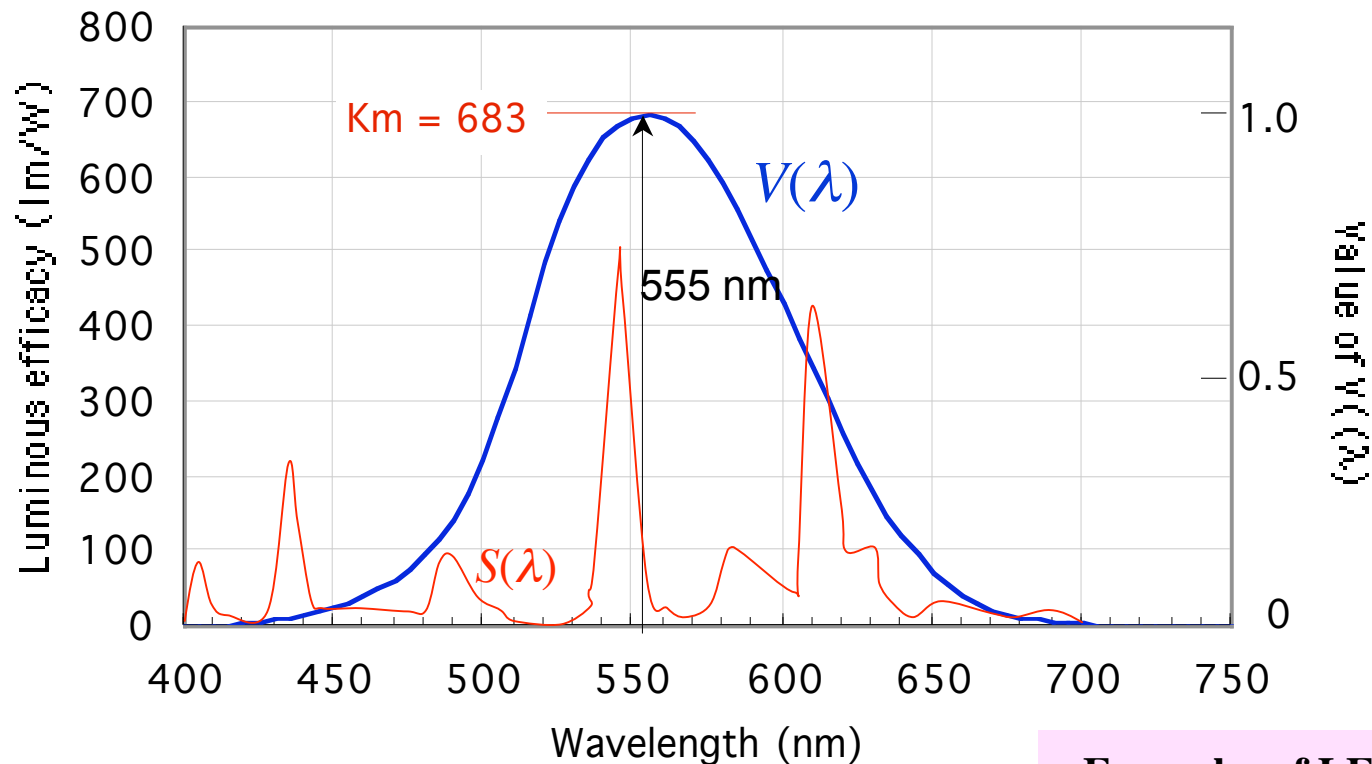
**Radiant  
efficiency**

(External Q.E.)

$$\frac{\text{Optical power [W]}}{\text{Electrical power [W]}}$$

**50 %**

# Luminous Efficacy of Radiation



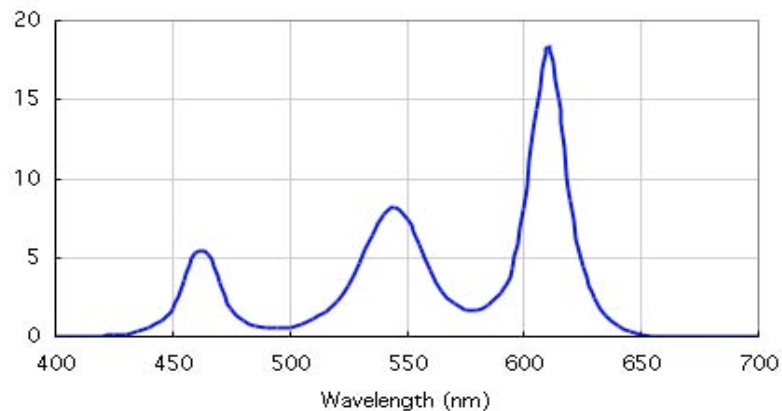
$$K = \frac{K_m \int_{\lambda} S(\lambda) V(\lambda) d\lambda}{\int_{\lambda} S(\lambda) d\lambda} \quad [\text{lm/W}]$$

(  $K_m = 683 \text{ lm/W}$  )

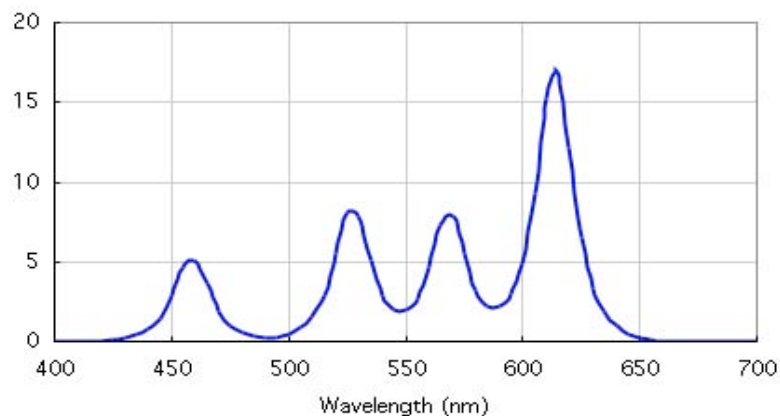
## <Examples of LER>

Tri-p FL (3300 K) ~350 lm/W  
CW FL (4300 K) ~340 lm/W  
MH (4300 K) ~300 lm/W

# RGB(Y) white LED Simulation



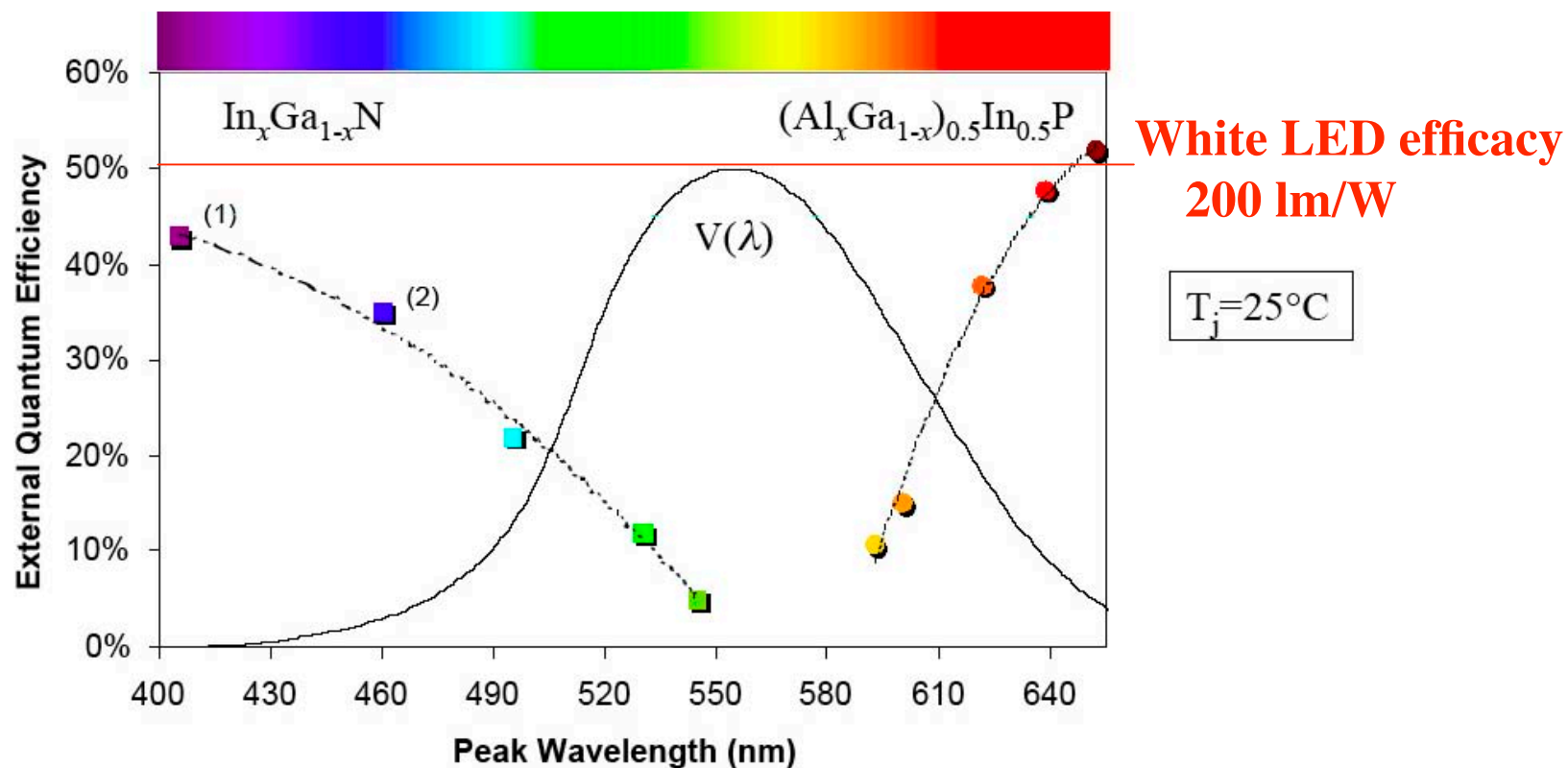
x	0.4369
y	0.4041
CCT	3000 K
Duv	0.000
CRI (Ra)	86
LER	401 lm/W



x	0.4369
y	0.4041
CCT	3000 K
Duv	0.0000
CRI (Ra)	90
LER	395 lm/W



# External Quantum Efficiency of LEDs



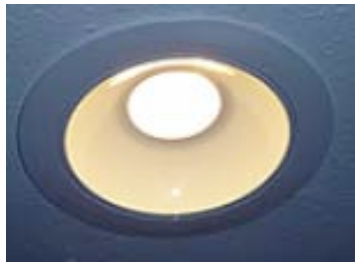
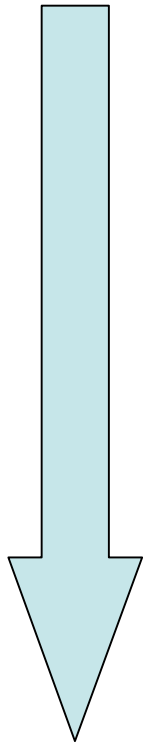
(1) Mitsubishi Cable: *III-Vs Review*, Vol. 16, No. 4, p.34 (May, 2003).

(2) Nichia Chemical Co.: Yamada et. al., *Jpn. J. Appl. Phys.* Vol. 41 (2002) pp. L 1431–L 1433.

Source: Mike Krames (Lumileds)

# SSL products are coming out

## Niche applications

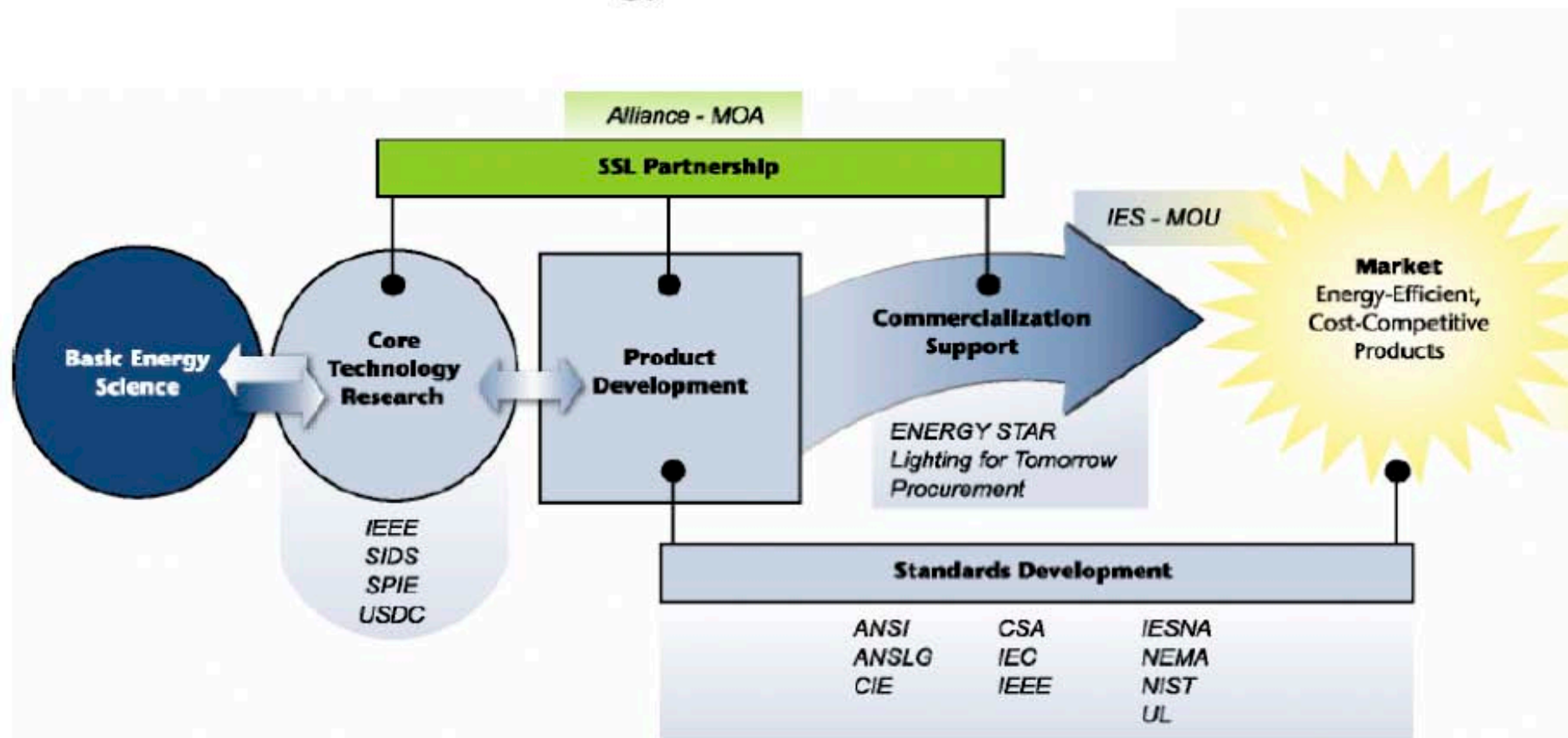


## General lighting applications



# DOE's SSL Commercialization Support

## DOE's Lab-to-Market strategy



[http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/materials\\_2007.html](http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/materials_2007.html)

# DOE Energy Star program for SSL products

Final version 9/12/2007



- SSL products for general illumination (residential and commercial applications)
- Category A (niche applications), Category B (general lighting)
- Requirements for luminaire efficacy, chromaticity, and CRI ( $R_a > 75$  for indoor applications).
- Ensure quality as well as energy efficiency
- Requires **standards for test methods**.
- Requires **laboratory accreditation**.

	Min. lm/W
Under cabinet kitchen	24
Portable desk/Task	29
Recessed downlights	35
Outdoor porch lights	24
Outdoor step lights	20
Outdoor pathway lights	25
Category B	70

[http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/energy\\_star.html](http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/energy_star.html)

# DOE SSL Commercial Product Testing Program (CALiPER - formerly, CPTP)

- Workshop held Oct. 27, 2006  
<http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/workshopHighlights-CPTP.htm>
  - Objective:
    - Provide high quality performance information, discourage low quality products.
    - Support R & D planning
    - Support ENERGY STAR
    - Inform industry test procedures and standards
  - Key actors:
    - DOE, PNNL
    - Independent testing labs
  - Tests may include total luminous flux, luminous Efficacy, color characteristics stability, life testing, and more.
- Publication of CPTP Reports
    - Via website:  
[www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/comm\\_testing.htm](http://www.netl.doe.gov/ssl/comm_testing.htm)
      - Summary reports (de-identified)
      - Detailed reports
        - Must be requested via web form

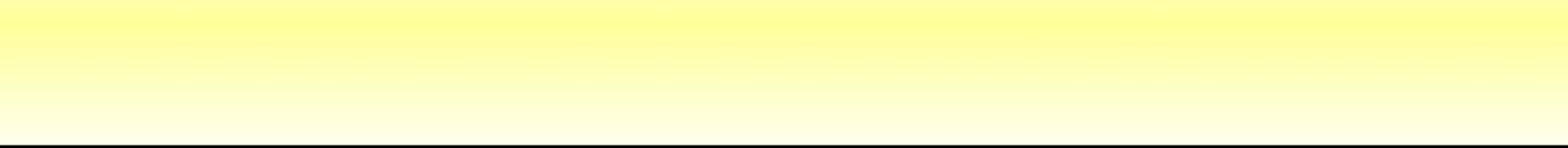


# NIST Role

- Provide calibration services for LED and SSL products.
- Research on color quality.

## NIST is funded by DOE for

- Developing NVLAP program for SSL - Handbook 150-A, Round-robin proficiency testing.
- Measurement support
  - verification of measurements in CALiPER program
  - test of prototypes from DOE projects
- Standards development NIST leads
  - ANSI C78.377 chromaticity of SSL products
  - IESNA LM-79 photometric measurement of SSL products
  - CIE standard on color rendering (TC1-69)
  - participating in other standards development

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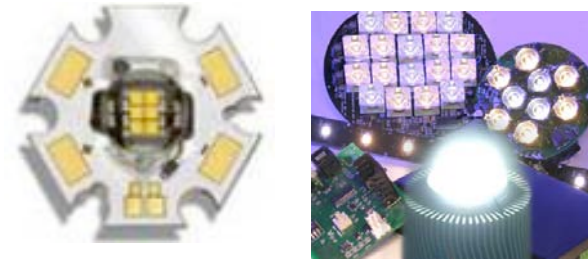


# Measurement of LED/ SSL Products

## LED chips / packages



## LED modules / clusters



## SSL products



## Measurement quantities

- Total luminous flux (lm)
- Luminous efficacy (lm/W)
- Luminous intensity (CIE Averaged Intensity)
- Chromaticity, CCT, Duv, CRI
- Angular intensity distribution
- Luminaire efficacy (lm/W)



# Standards for measurement of LED/ SSL products

## LED chips / packages



## CIE 127:2007

does not address issues on  
high power LEDs

CIE TC2-46, TC2-58  
CIE R2-36

## LED modules / clusters



No standards / recommendation

CIE TC2-50

## SSL products



No CIE publications, no TCs

IESNA LM-79 Photometric Meas. (draft)

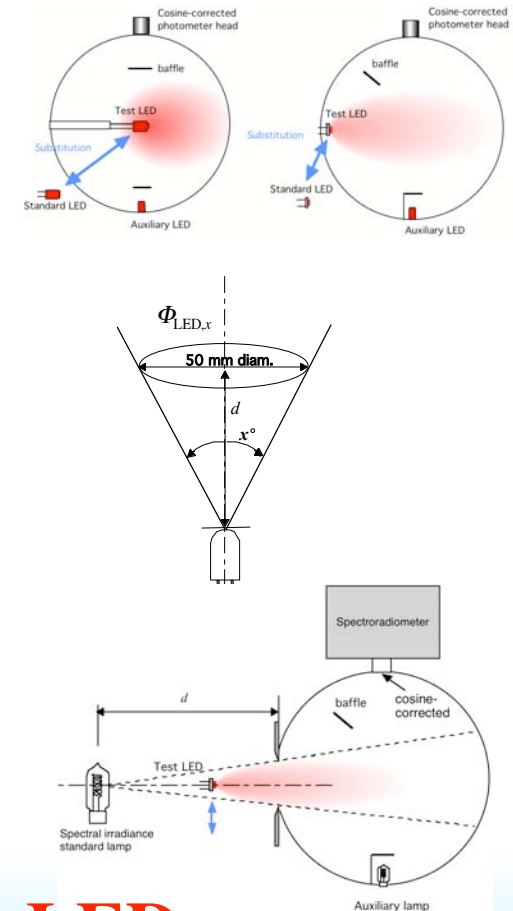
IESNA LM-80 Life time (draft)

ANSI C78.377 Chromaticity (draft)

# CIE 127:2007 Measurement of LED (2nd ed.)

## Major changes from last version (1997)

- New section on total luminous flux measurement.
  - Improved sphere geometries recommended
  - Partial LED flux defined.
- New section on spectral measurement (for colorimetric as well as photometric quantities)
  - Input geometries (irradiance mode, total flux mode, partial flux mode)
  - New recommendation on bandwidth and scanning interval (5 nm, for color)



**Still does not address high power LEDs.**

# A big issue in High Power LED measurement

## <LED data example>

Flux Characteristics at 700mA, Junction Temperature,  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$

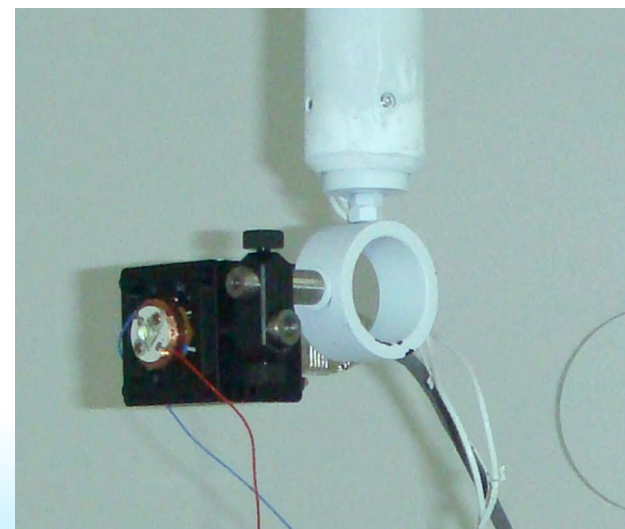
Table 1.

Color	LUXEON Emitter	Minimum Luminous Flux (lm) or Radiometric Power (mW) $\Phi_V^{[1,2]}$	Typical Luminous Flux (lm) or Radiometric Power (mW) $\Phi_V^{[1]}$	Radiation Pattern
White	LXHL-PW09	60.0	65	Lambertian
Green	LXHL-PM09	51.7	64	
Cyan	LXHL-PE09	51.7	64	
Blue <sup>[3]</sup>	LXHL-PB09	13.9	23	
Royal Blue <sup>[4]</sup>	LXHL-PR09	275 mW	340 mW	

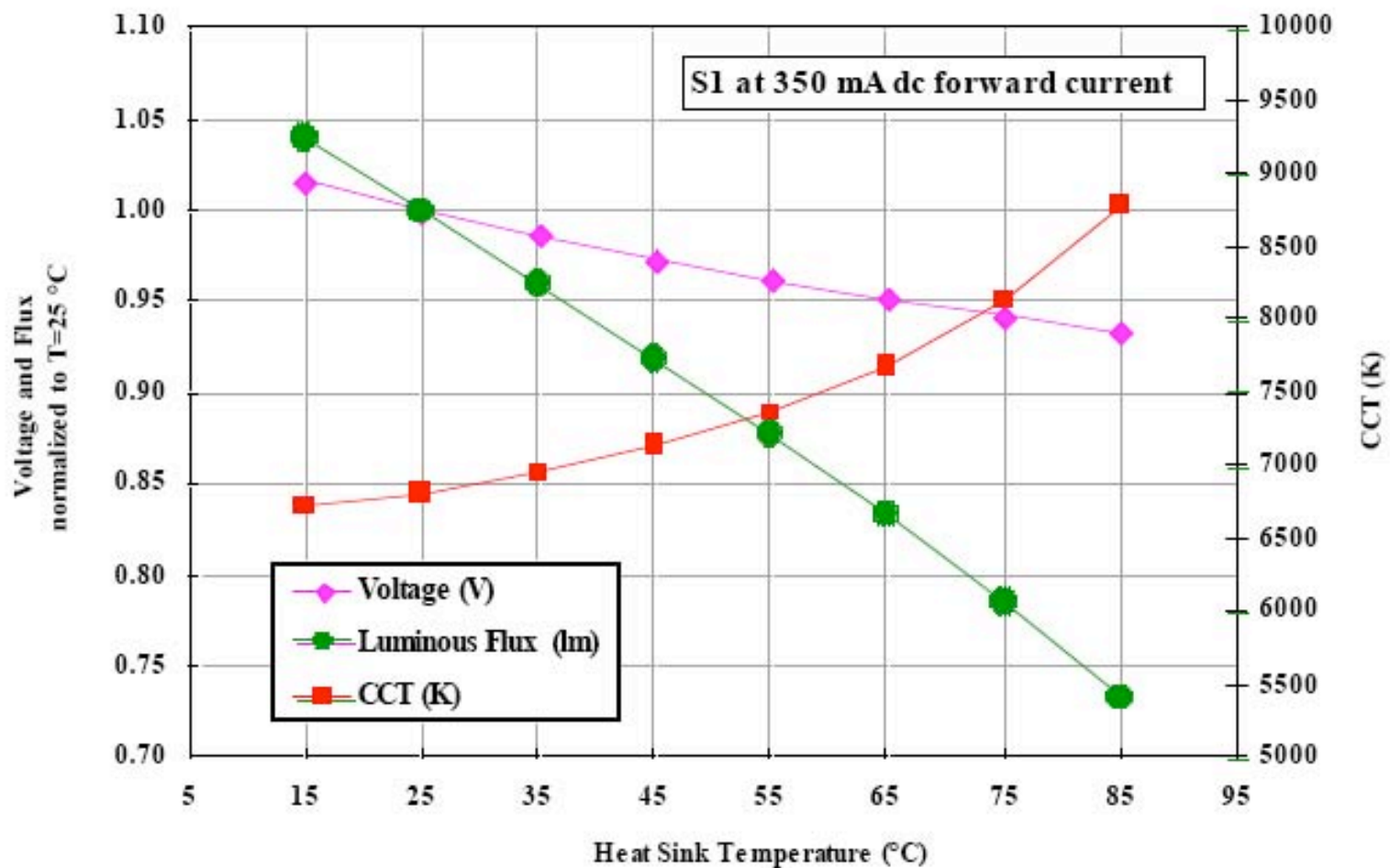
- LEDs in SSL products are operating at much higher temperature. **lm/W drops to 1/2 (in some cases) in luminaires.**
- Large gap between published LED chip performance (lm/W) and SSL products performance (lm/W).
- A standard for high power LED specifications **under realistic conditions** (as used in luminaires) is urgently needed.

# Approach at NIST

- Measure high power LEDs at a full DC current at thermal equilibrium.  
(A heat sink is needed; results vary depending on size of heat sink, ambient temp. and how LED is mounted)
- Use a temperature-controlled heat sink. Set heat sink temperature at 50°C, 60°C, ....  
(need to be standardized)
- Use a metal-core PC board to mount the LED to the heat sink.



# Data example



# Measurement of SSL products

**SSL products: mostly in a form of luminaire**

## **Traditional luminaire photometry (Relative Photometry)**

- Luminaires are measured for relative luminous intensity distribution and total luminous flux, normalized by measured lamp total luminous flux, e.g., per 1000 lm.
- Absolute scale is given by published lamp lumen values.



**This method does not work for SSL products.**

- Lamp and fixture cannot be separated.
- Published LED luminous flux values are not reliable.

**Existing standards do not fulfill the needs for SSL.**

# IESNA LM-79 Approved Method for Electrical and Photometric Measurement of SSL Products (Draft)

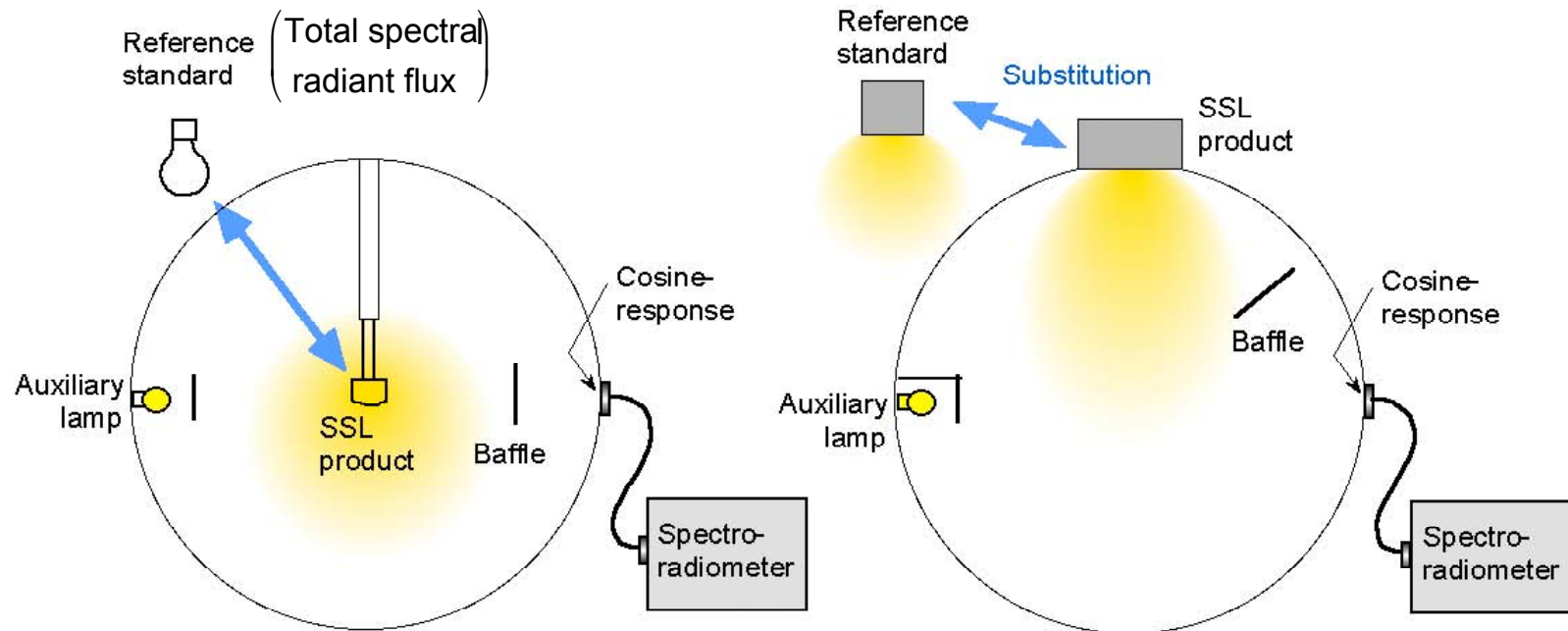
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- Covers SSL products **complete with electronics and heat sinks**. --- therefore, no temperature issues (SSL product operated at 25°C ambient).
- Does not cover LED modules, LED packages, nor individual LEDs.
- Addresses both aspects of lamp photometry and luminaire photometry
  - Total luminous flux (lumen), electrical input, luminous efficacy (lm/W)
  - Chromaticity, CCT, CRI (4  $\pi$  integrated)
  - Goniophotometry (angular intensity distribution)



# IESNA LM-79

One of the methods recommended (for small SSL products)



- Total luminous flux and color quantities measured at the same time.
- No spectral mismatch correction needed for luminous flux.
- Color quantities measured as spatially ( $4\pi$ ) averaged values.
- Total spectral radiant flux standards available from NIST.

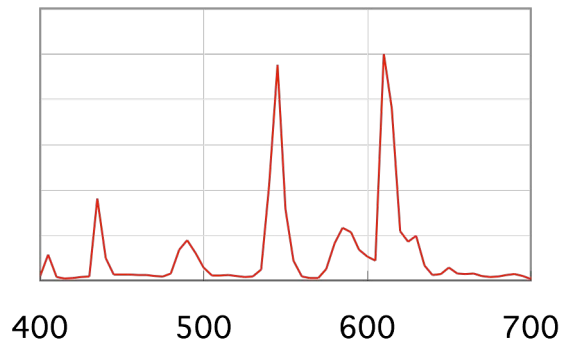
A goniphotometer is needed for large-size SSL products)



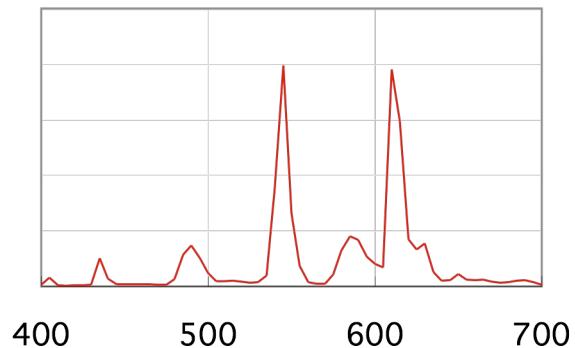
# Chromaticity issues

**CCT and CRI do not tell the whole story.**

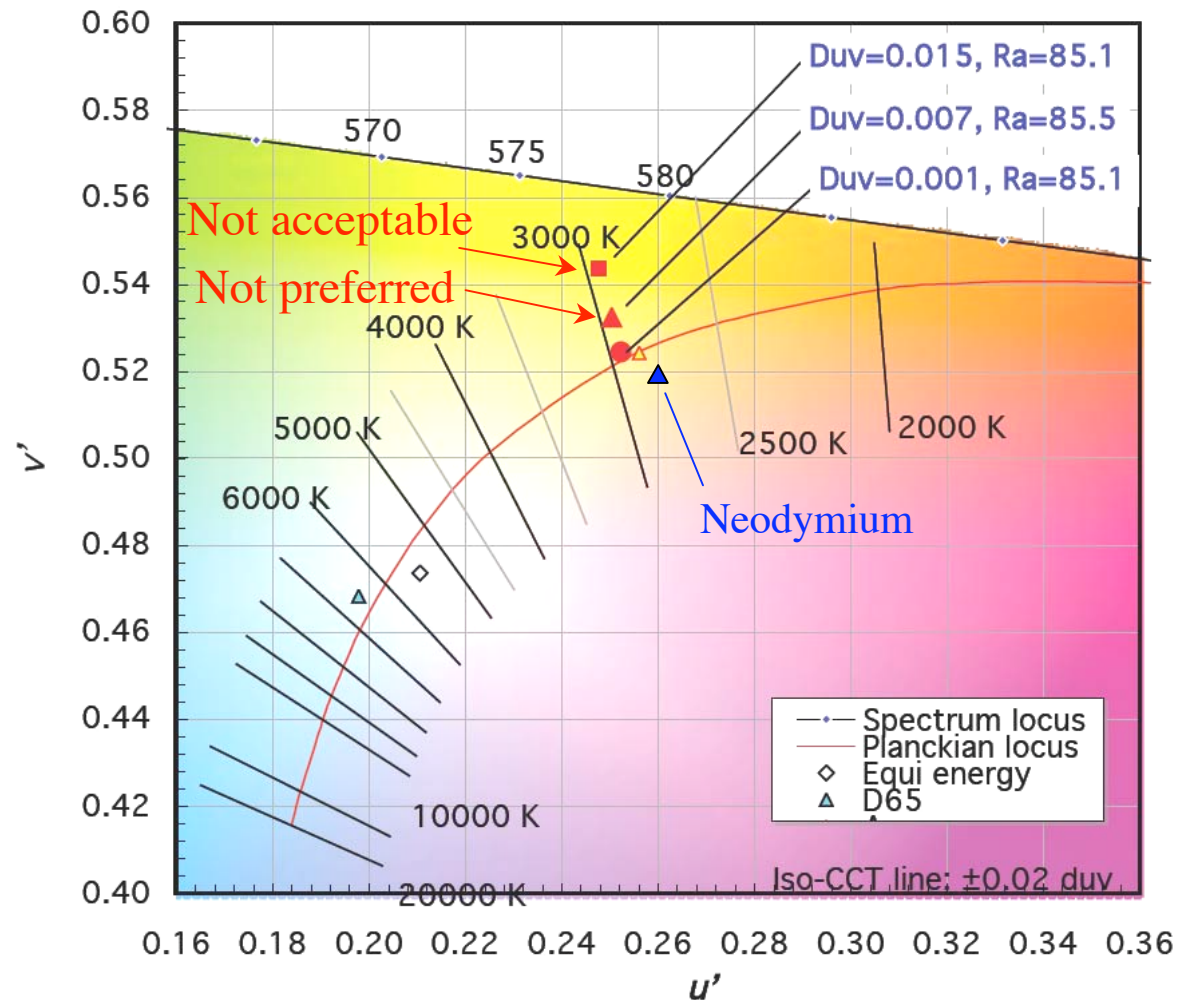
CFL 2950 K,  $Duv=+0.001$



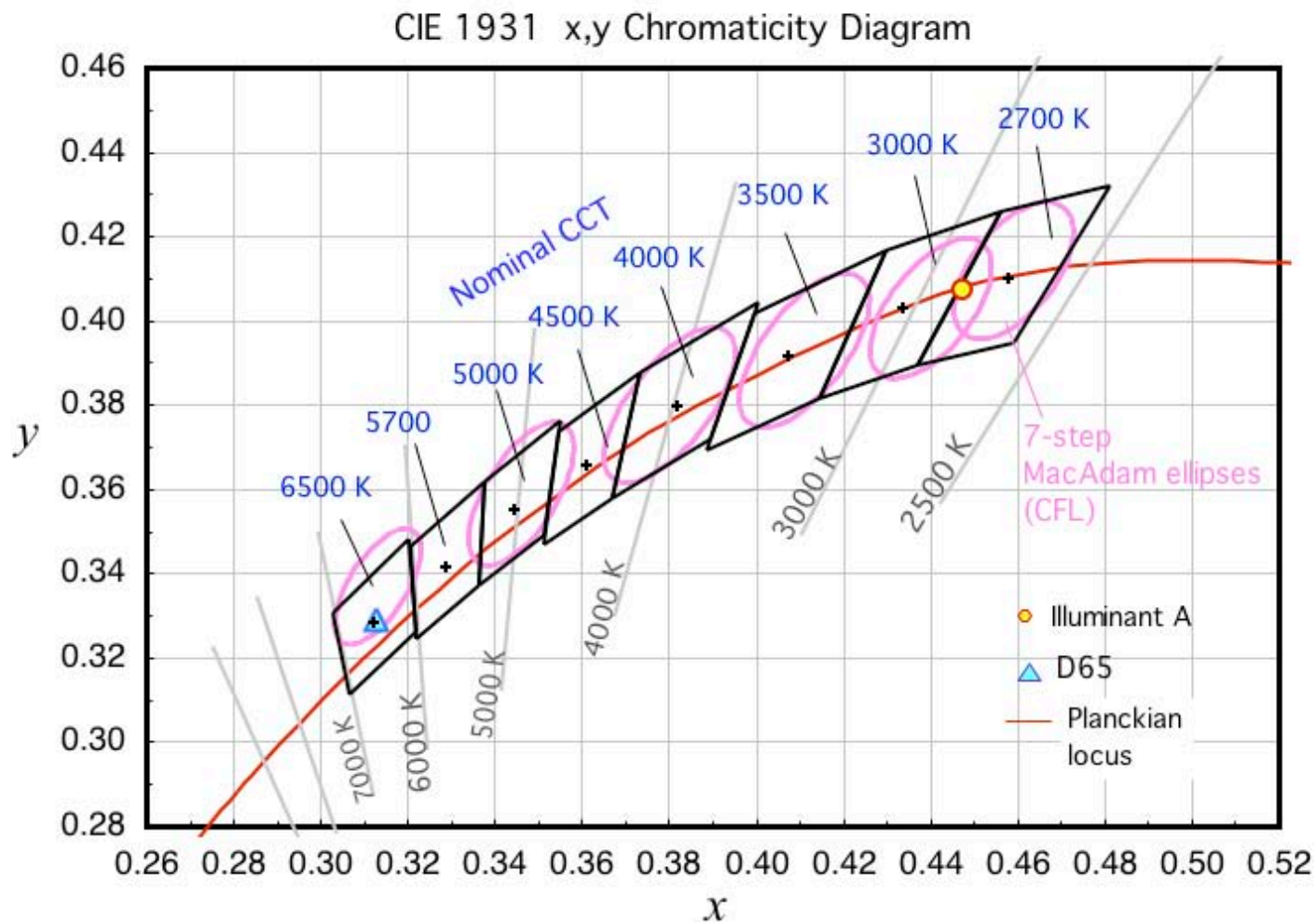
CFL modified,  $Duv=+0.015$



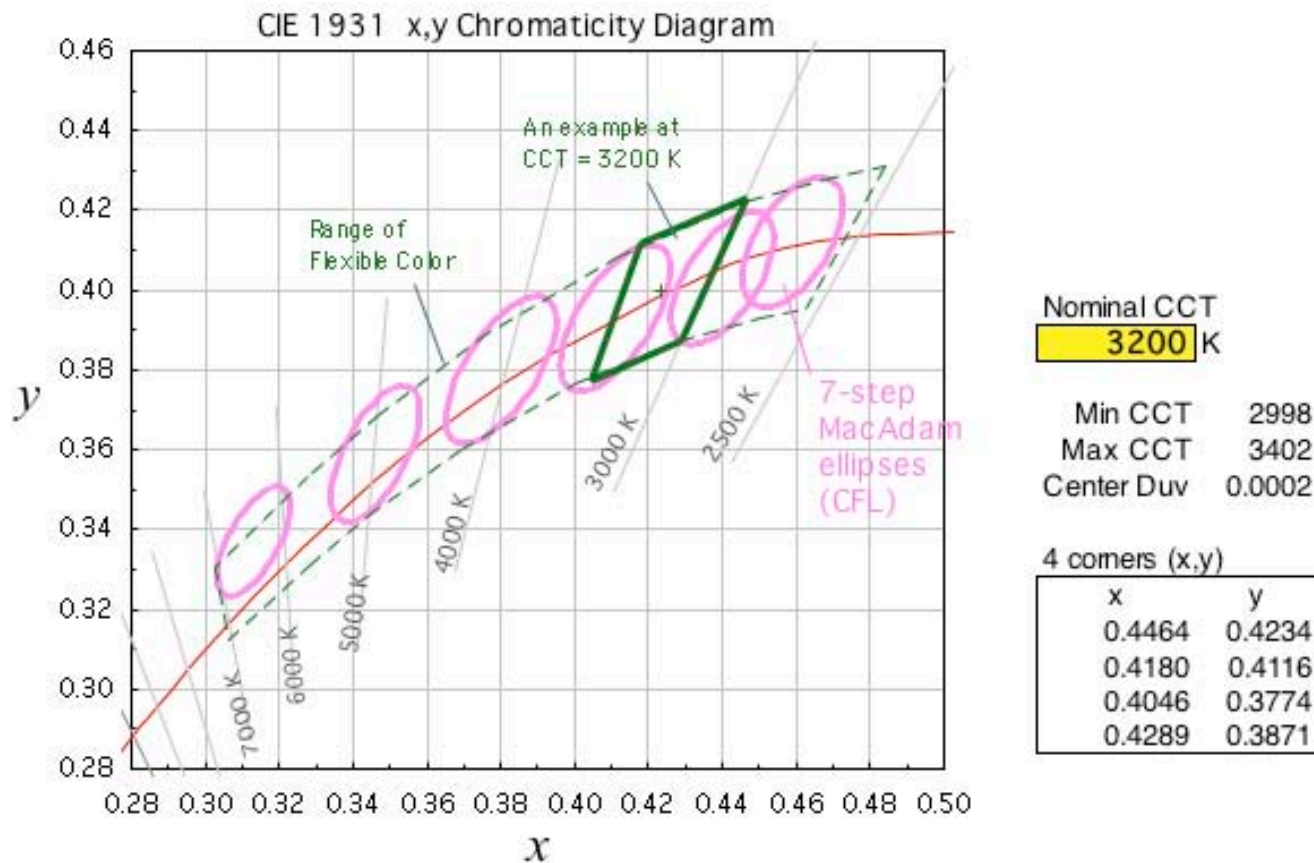
CIE 1976  $u'-v'$  diagram




# ANSI C78.377 Specifications for the Chromaticity of SSL products (Draft)



# Flexible Color

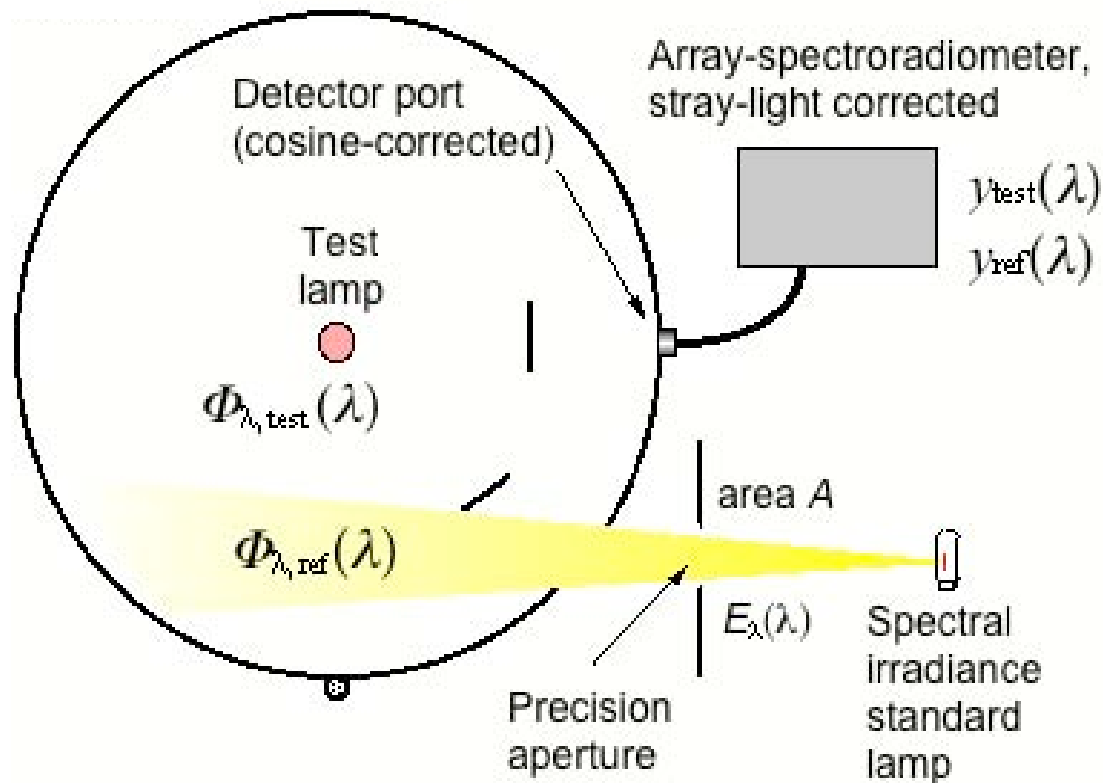


- 2)  $T$  is chosen to be at 100 K steps (2800, 2900, ..., 6400 K), excluding those eight nominal CCTs listed in Table 1.
- 3)  $\Delta T$  is given by  $\Delta T = 0.0000108 \times T^2 + 0.0262 \times T + 8$ .
- 4)  $D_{uv}$  is given by  $D_{uv} = 57700 \times (1/T)^2 - 44.6 \times (1/T) + 0.0085$ .

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# NIST Facilities for LED/SSL measurements

## 2.5 m absolute integrating sphere



External reference flux:

$$\Phi_{\lambda, \text{ref}}(\lambda) = A \cdot E_{\lambda}(\lambda)$$

Spectral radiant flux of the test lamp:

$$\Phi_{\lambda, \text{test}}(\lambda) = \frac{y_{\text{test}}(\lambda)}{y_{\text{ref}}(\lambda)} \cdot k_{\text{cor}}(\lambda) \cdot \Phi_{\lambda, \text{ref}}(\lambda)$$

$k_{\text{cor}}(\lambda)$ : correction factor

\* Absolute scale of radiant flux is based on the NIST lumen.

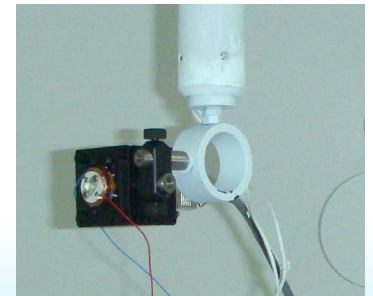
# 2.5 m absolute integrating sphere



Measuring a refrigerator LED luminaire

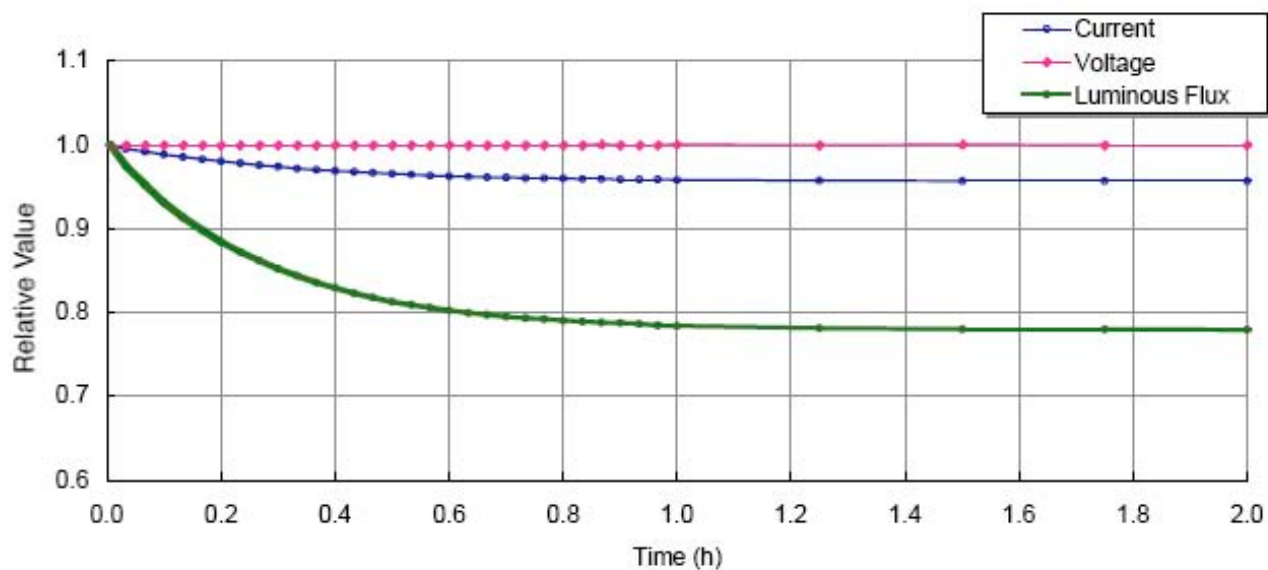
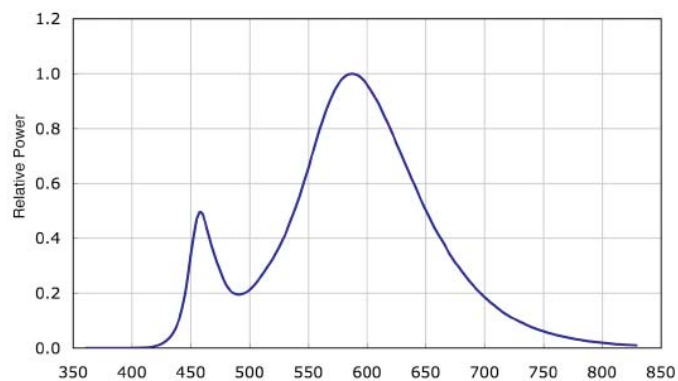
## For SSL products

- Total luminous flux (lm)
- Total spectral radiant flux (350 nm to 830 nm)
- Chromaticity, CCT, Duv, CRI (4  $\pi$  averaged)
- 25°C ambient temp.
- SSL products up to ~30 cm diameter or linear ~1.5 m long.
- Individual LEDs also measured.



# 2.5 m absolute integrating sphere

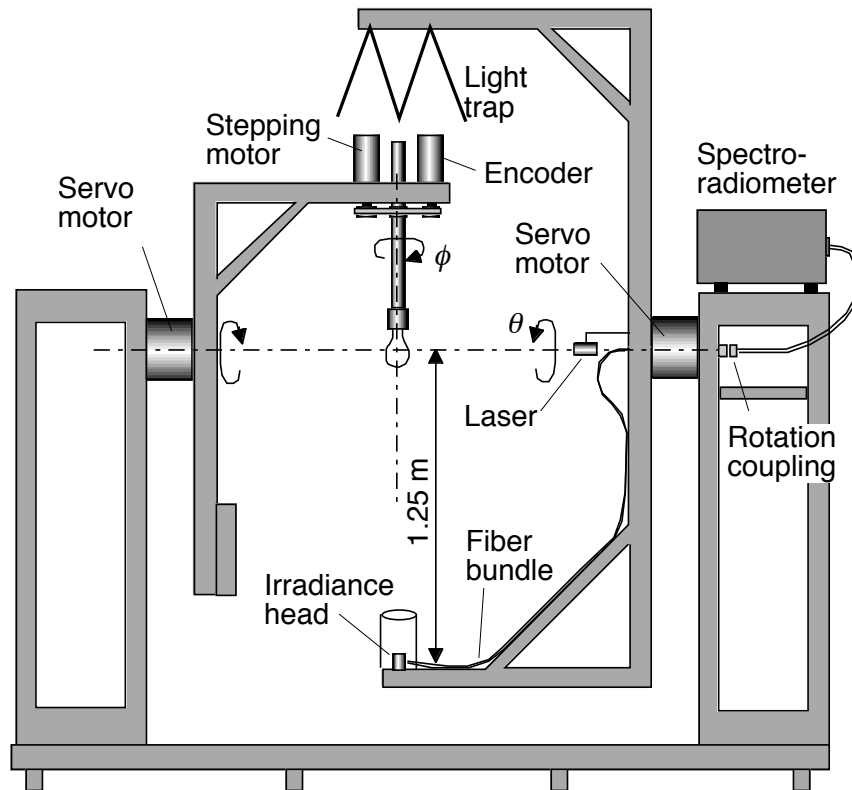
## Data example (LED down light)





# Gonio-spectroradiometer

- Total spectral radiant flux scale
- **Measurement of small SSL products**
  - Angular luminous intensity distribution
  - Color uniformity

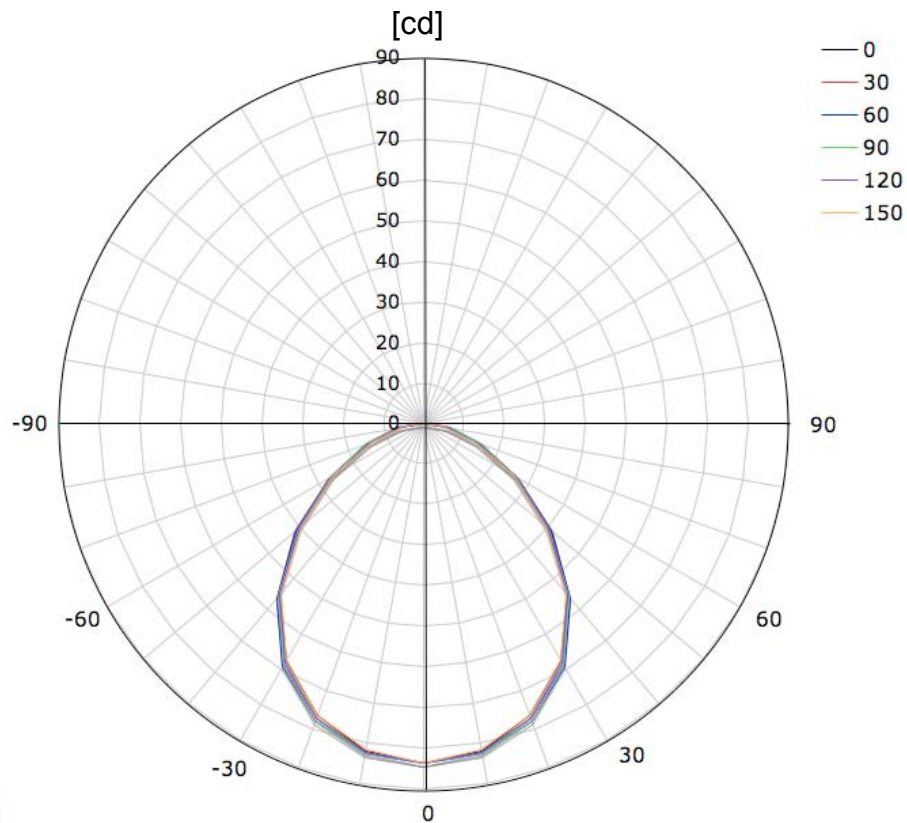




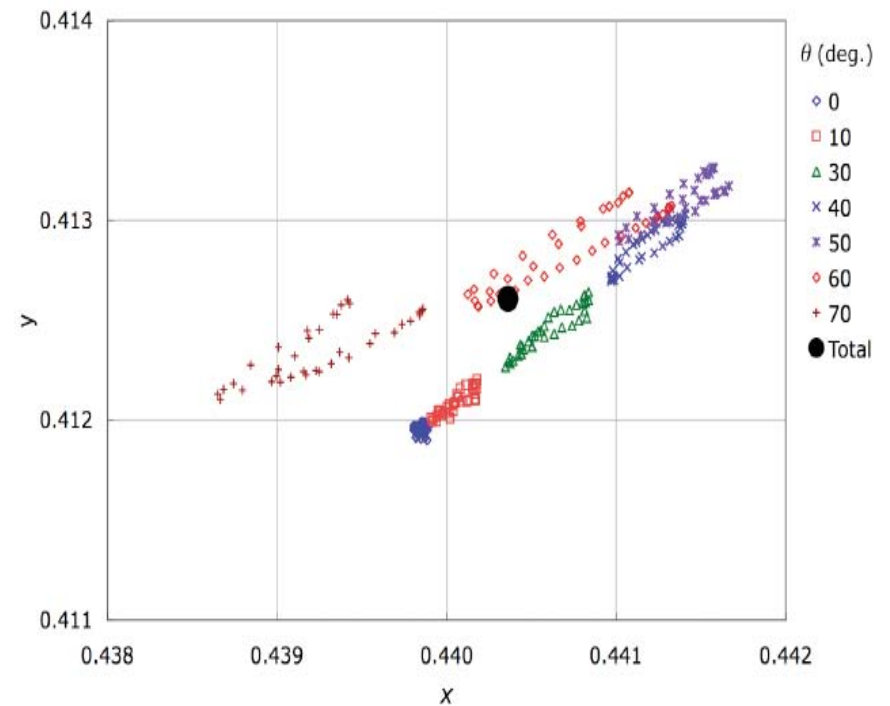
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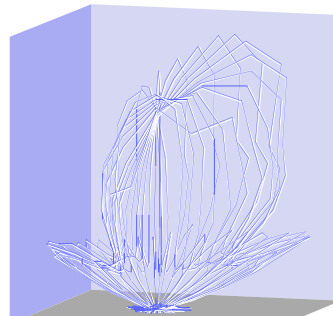
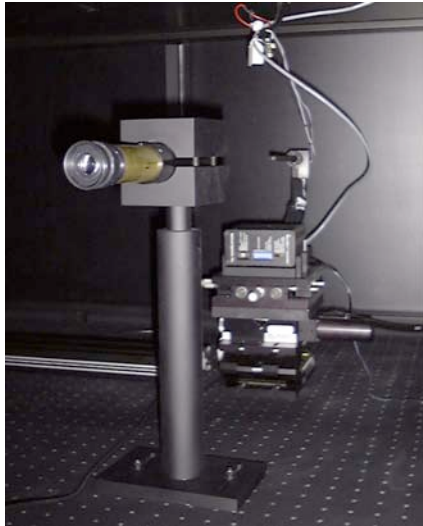
Luminous intensity distribution



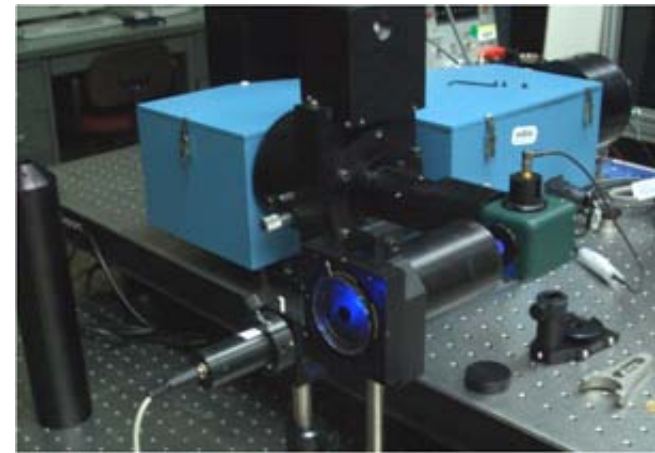
Color uniformity



# Other NIST instruments for LEDs



Goniophotometer  
for luminous  
intensity distribution



Reference spectroradiometer  
(double-monochromator) for LED  
color measurement

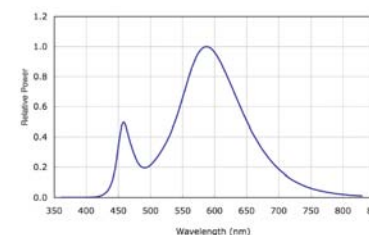


Variable temperature chamber ( $\sim 10^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

# NIST Calibration Services for LED/SSL Products

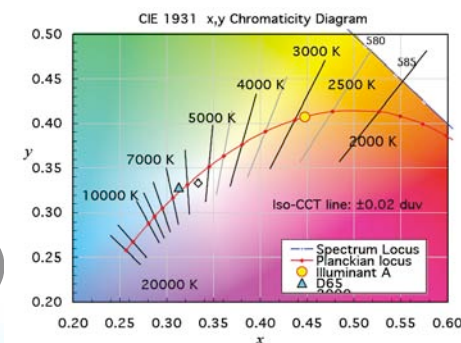
## Photometric and radiometric quantities


- Total luminous flux (lm), luminous efficacy (lm/W)
- Total radiant flux (W) ... (350 - 830 nm)
- Luminous Intensity  
CIE Averaged LED Intensity A/B
- Luminous intensity distribution (small sources)



## Color quantities

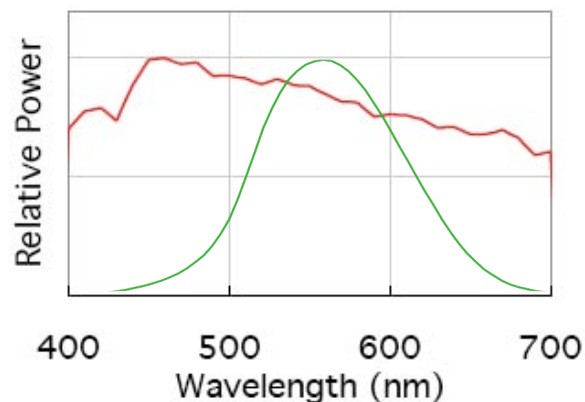
- Chromaticity coordinates ( $x, y$ ), ( $u', v'$ )
- Correlated color temperature
- Color Rendering Index (CRI  $R_a$ )
- Dominant wavelength  $\lambda_d$
- Spectral distribution (total spectral radiant flux)



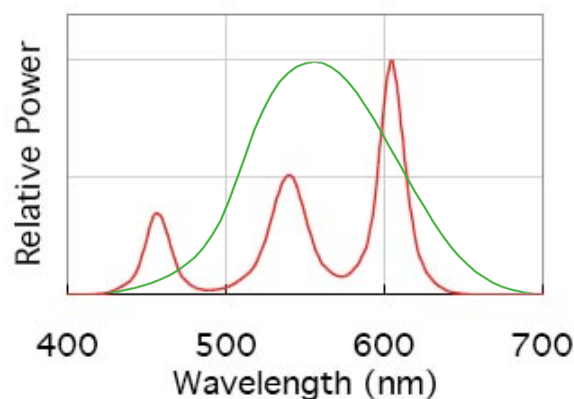
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# Color Quality vs. Energy Efficiency

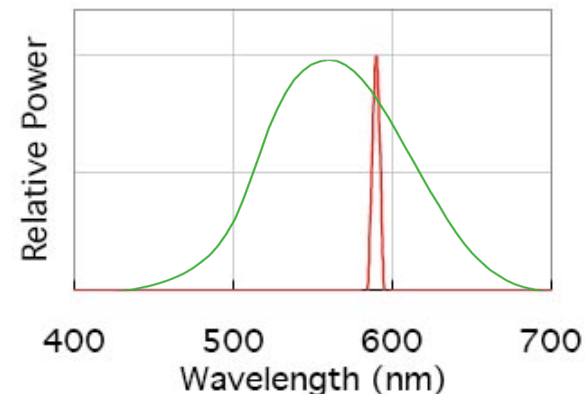
Daylight



White LED



Low pressure sodium lamp



Theoretical maximum

~ 250 lm/W

~ 400 lm/W

520 lm/W

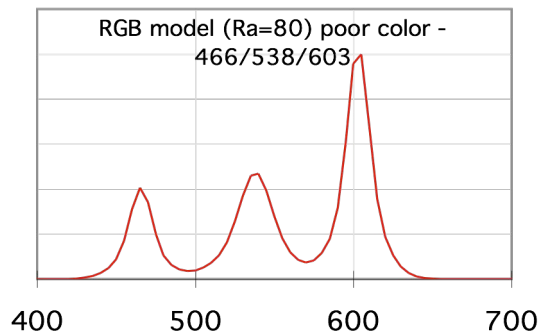
Excellent  
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??  
color rendering

No color  
rendering

# Problems of CRI (1)

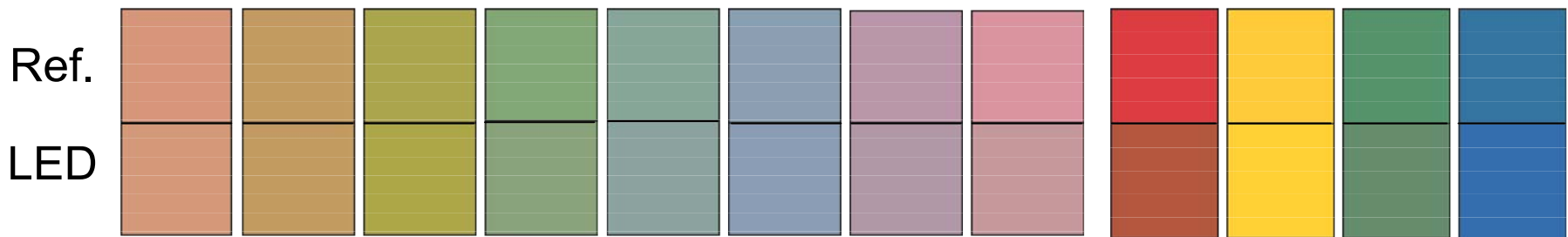
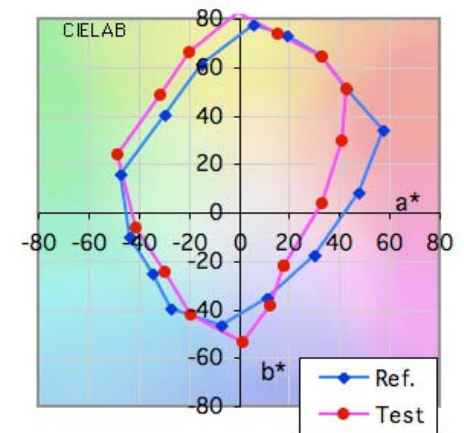
Good scores do not guarantee good saturated colors



3-LED Model

Peaks at:  
457, 540, & 605 nm

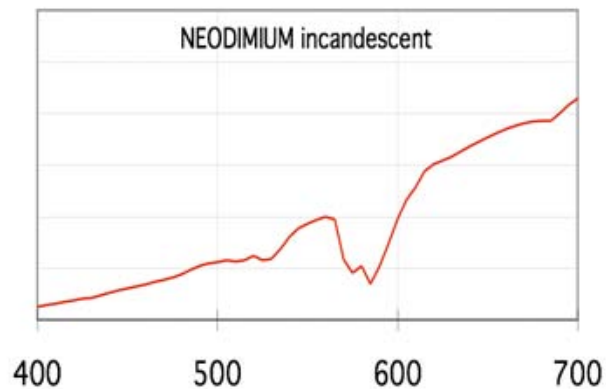
CRI  $R_a = 80$



This spectrum has higher  $Im/W$ .

# Problems of CRI (2)

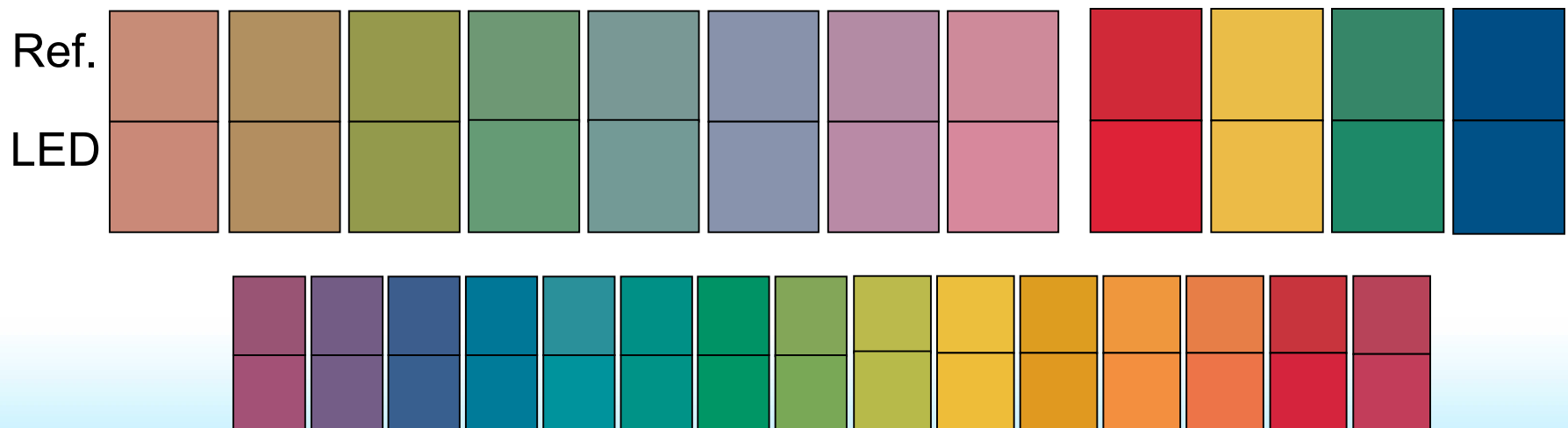
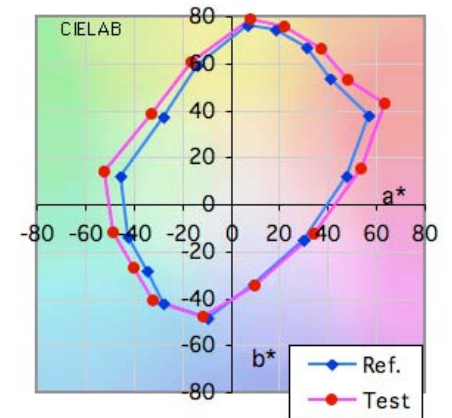
CRI penalizes light sources having enhanced color contrast.



Neodymium incandescent lamp

CRI  $R_a = 77$

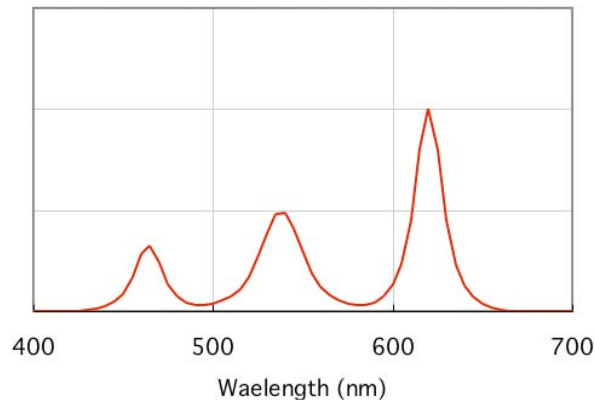
(Normal incandescent lamp  $R_a = 100$ )





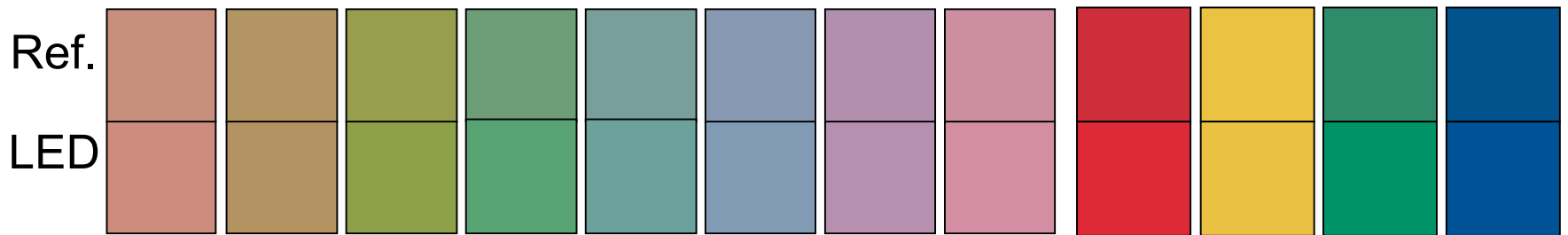
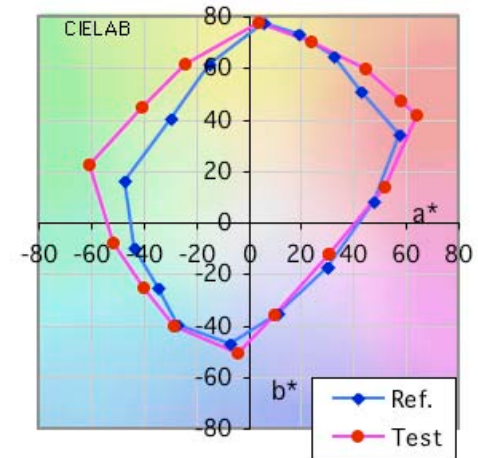
# Problems of CRI (2)

**RGB white light can have the same effects**



3-LED Model  
Peaks at:  
464, 538, 620 nm

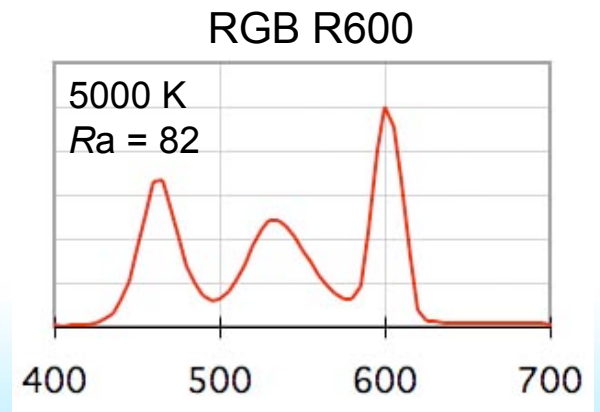
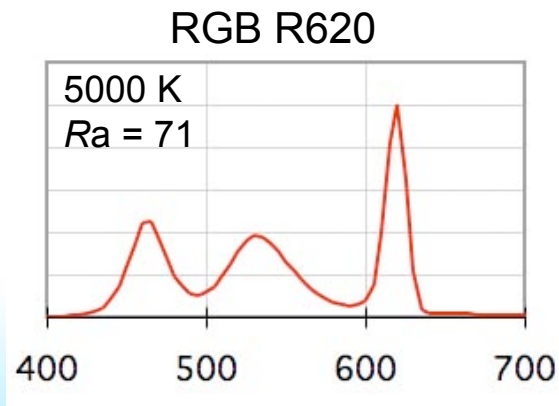
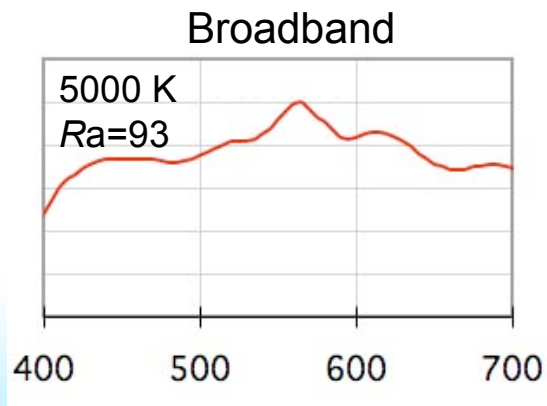
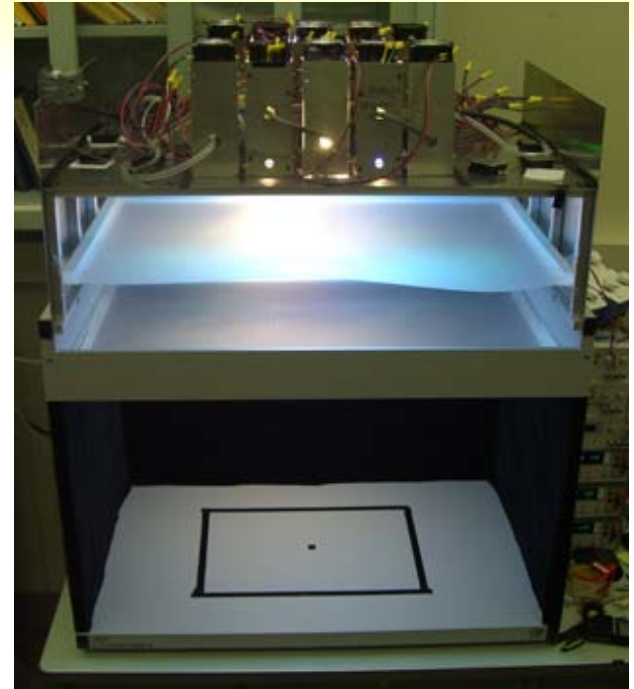
CRI  $R_a = 63$



Products are optimized for metric.  
Outdated metric impedes development of new technologies.



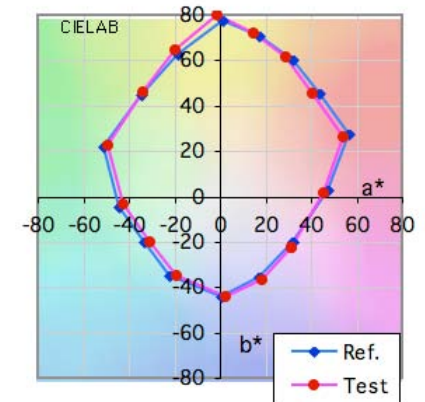
# Experimental RGB Source developed at NIST



# Viewed under real sources

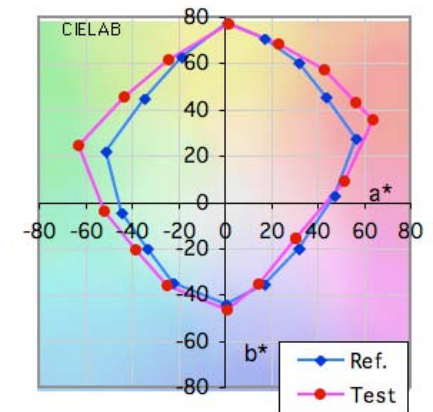
## Broadband

Daylight 50 CRI=93, CQS=93



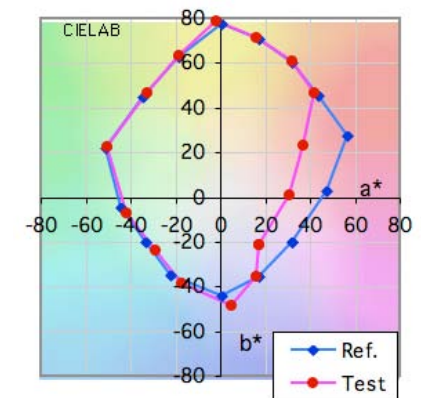
## RGB R620

620 nm Red CRI=71, CQS=83



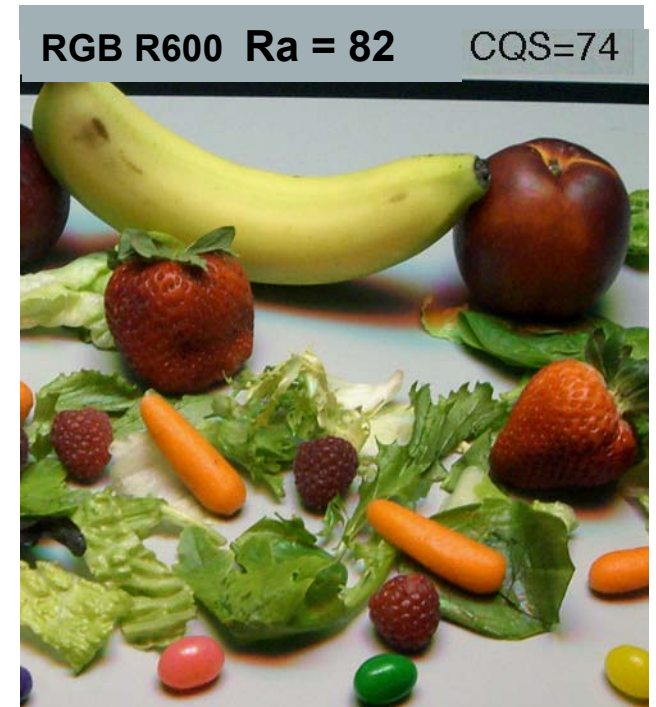
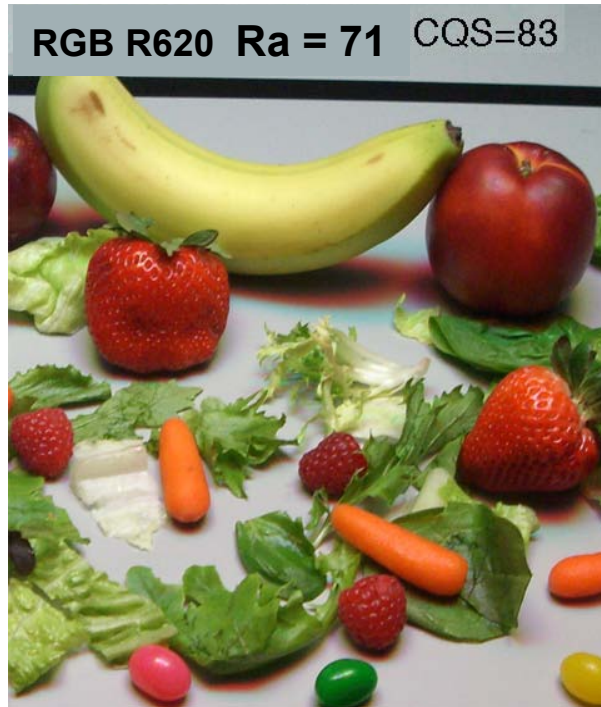
## RGB R600

602 nm Red CRI=82, CQS=74





Booth (300 lx)



Under the sun (5500 K, 88000 lx)



### SSL Energy Star minimum requirements

	lm/W	CRI Ra
Under cabinet kitchen	24	75
Portable desk/Task	29	75
Recessed downlights	35	75
Outdoor porch lights	24	
Outdoor step lights	20	
Outdoor pathway lights	25	
Category B	70	75

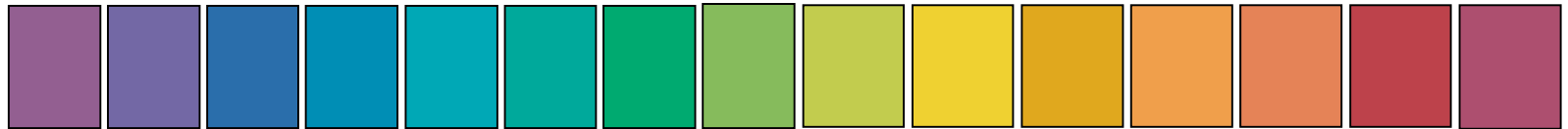


# Developing “Color Quality Scale”

Proposed by NIST

- Fix the problems of CRI (based on color fidelity)

- 1) use 15 saturated reference color samples



- 2) use the latest color space (CIE LAB)

- 3) use the latest chromatic adaptation formula (CMCCAT2000)

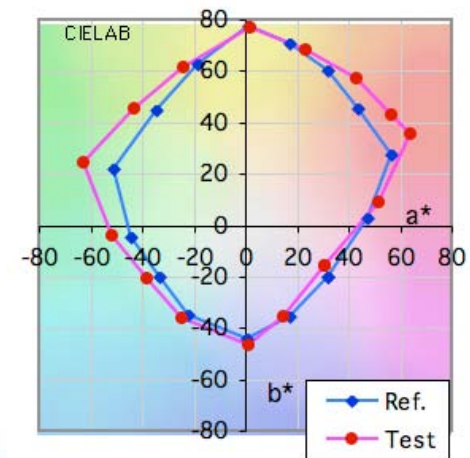
- 4) 0 to 100 scale (CRI can have negative score.)

- 5) CCT factor based on gamut area of ref. Illuminant

- 6) RMS combining of color differences

- 7) Scale normalized for consistency with CRI for fluorescent lamps

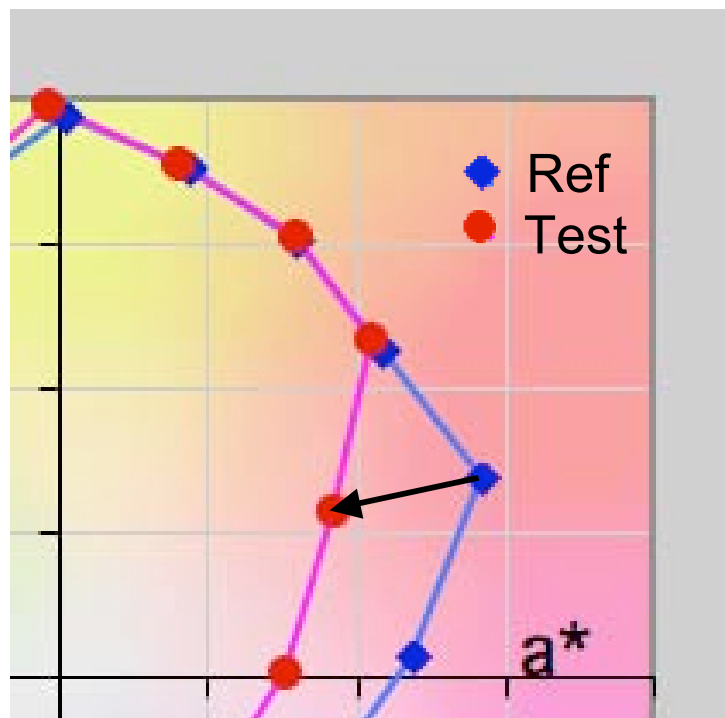
- Address color quality Issue – Saturation factor



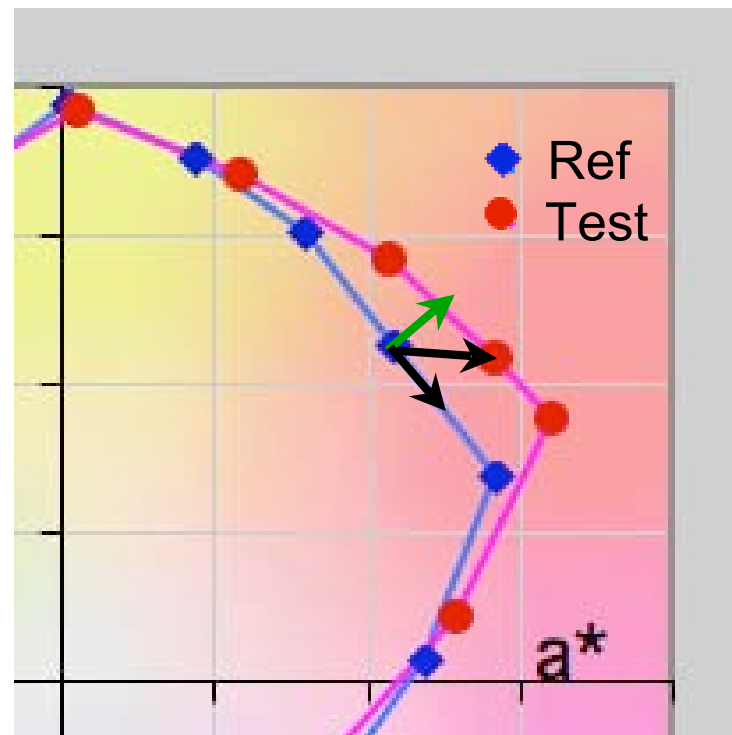
# “Color Quality Scale”

Proposed by NIST

Saturation factor



Score is decreased for the full color difference

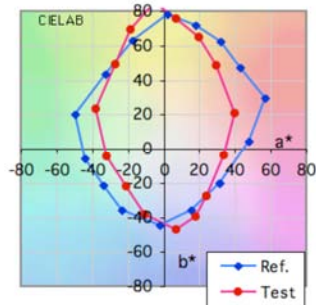
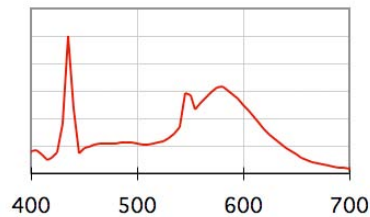


Score is not penalized for increase of chroma.

(Score is decreased for hue and lightness shifts)

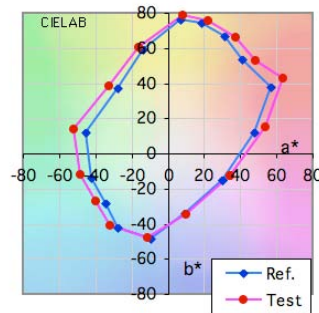
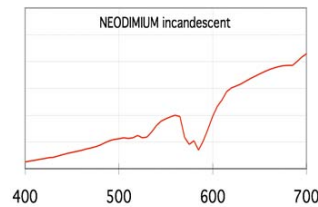
# Some Results of CQS

**Cool White  
fluorescent**



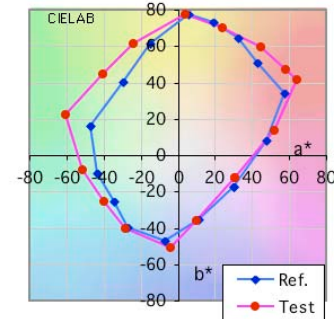
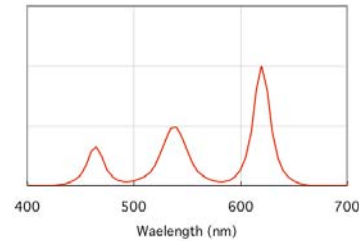
CRI =63  
CQS=64

**Neodymium  
inc. lamp**



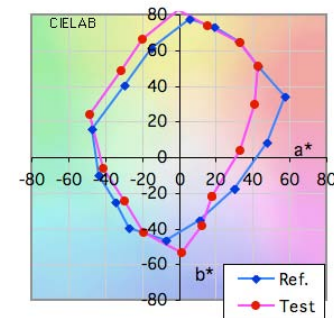
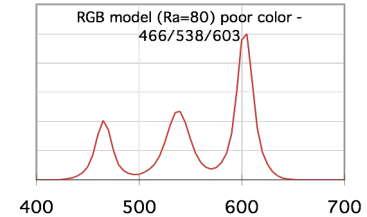
CRI =77  
CQS=88

**RGB (enhanced)  
(464/538/620 nm)**



CRI =63  
CQS=80

**RGB (poor red)  
(457/540/605 nm)**



CRI =80  
CQS=74

Consistency of scores is maintained for fluorescent lamps



# CIE TC 1-69

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CIE TC1-69 Colour Rendition by White Light Sources  
Established in May 2006

**Chair:** Wendy Davis (NIST)

**TR:**

To investigate new methods for assessing the colour rendition properties of white-light sources used for illumination, including solid-state light sources, with the goal of recommending new assessment procedures.

Vision experiments planned by several members.

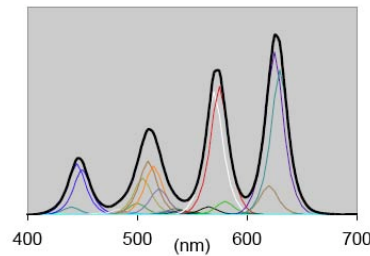
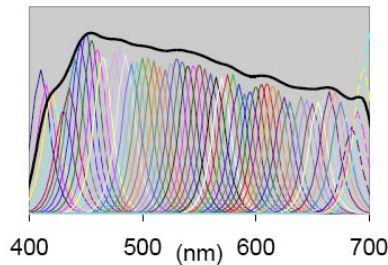
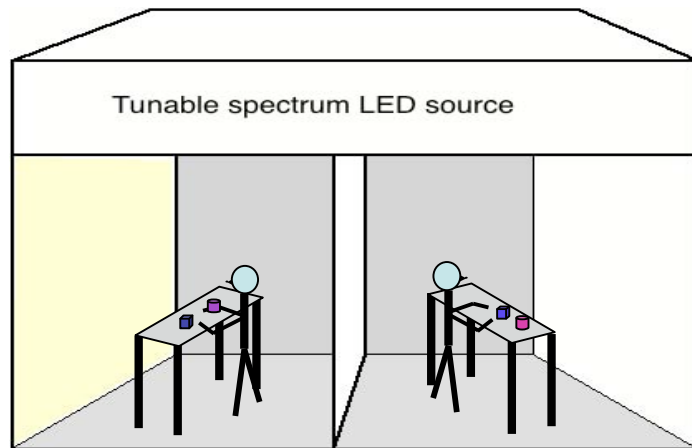


# Spectrally Tunable Lighting Facility

Under development at NIST

## Specification goal

- 48 channels of high- power LEDs, 400 - 650 nm.
- Spectrally tunable to simulate white LEDs and traditional light sources.
- Uniform illumination for the whole cubicle (500 lx).
- Contract awarded.
- First phase system (16 ch) to be delivered in May 2008.



**Thank you for your attention.**

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