

Solid-State Lighting Science EFRC

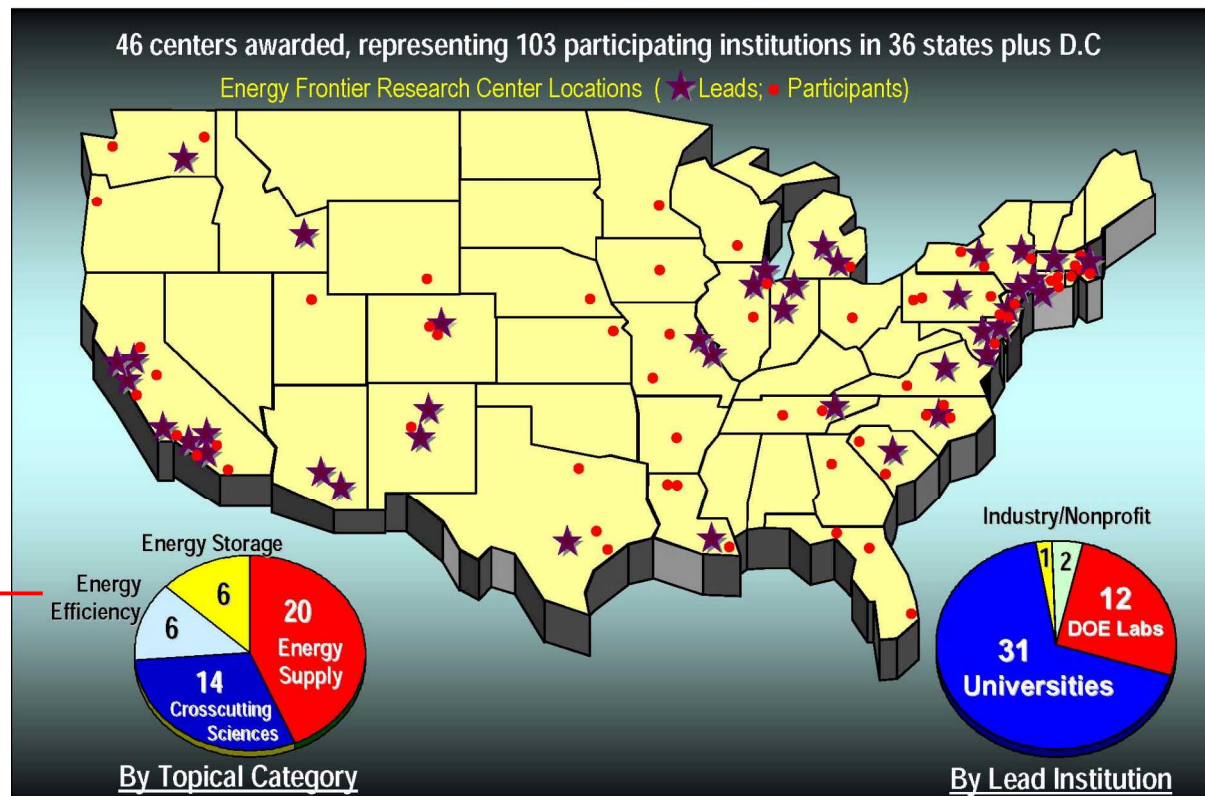


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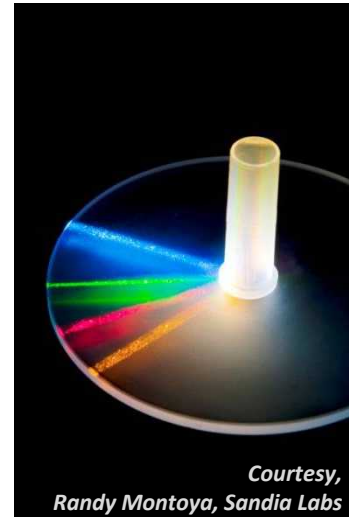
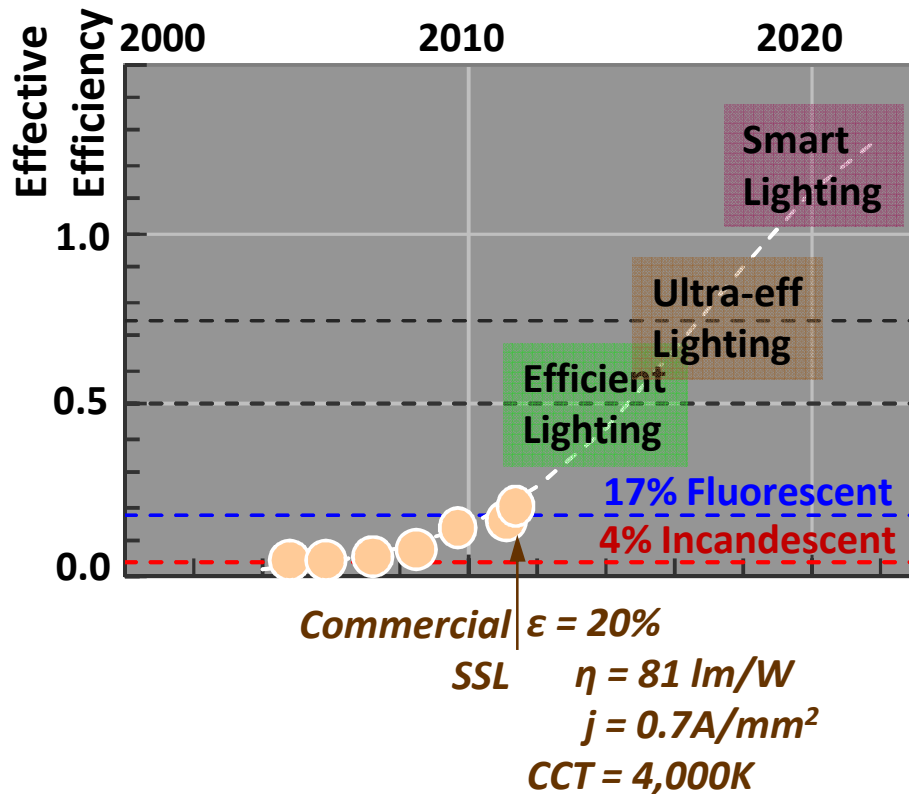
Energy Frontier Research Centers
Tackling Our Energy Challenges in a New Era of Science

- We are one of 46 Department of Energy Office of Science EFRCs
- Our Budget: \$18M over 5 years beginning Aug 2009
- We are one of 6 EFRCs focused on **efficiency**, and the only one focused on SSL



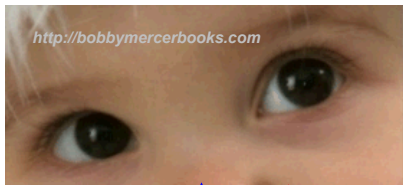
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Our Raison d'Etre



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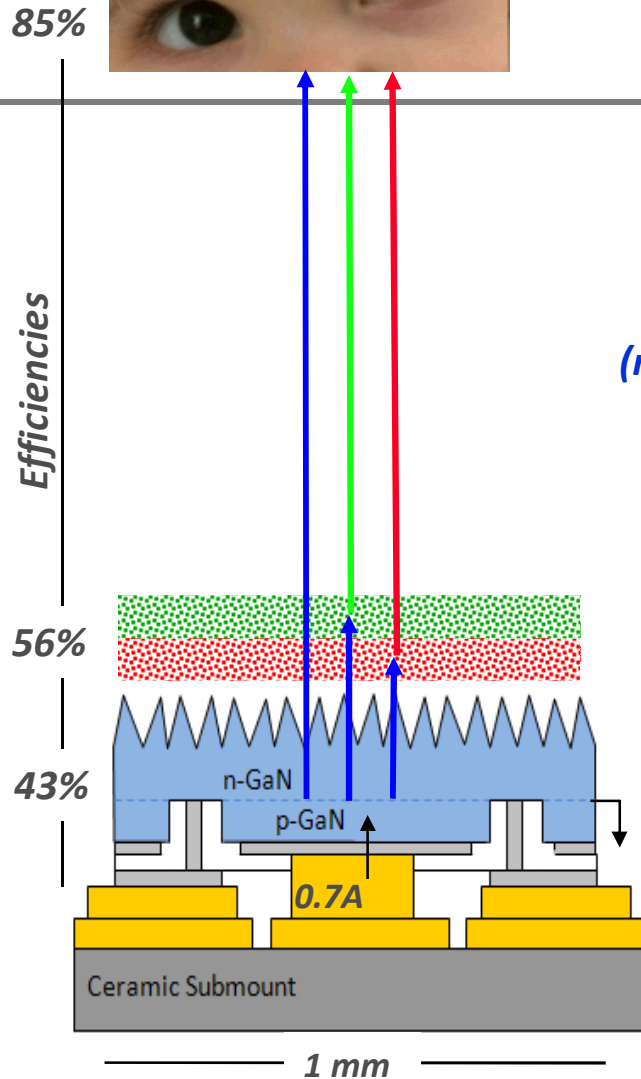
4 Functional Light

(control of light in intensity, time, space, and chromaticity)

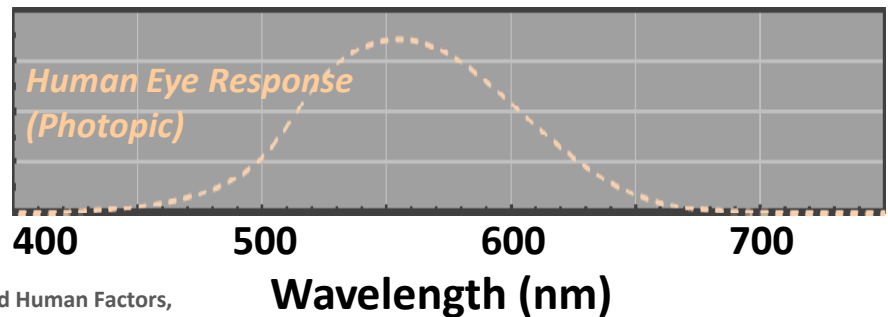
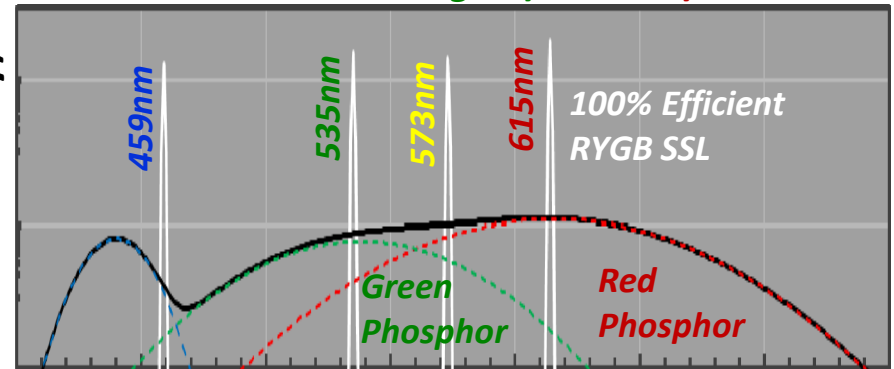
Why Only 20% Efficient?

Four SSL Technology Challenges

- 1 **Droop**
(near-100% efficiency at all currents)
- 2 **Green-Yellow Gap**
(near-100% efficiency at all wavelengths)
- 3 **Narrow-linewidth phosphors (esp. red)**



Log (Spectral Power Density)

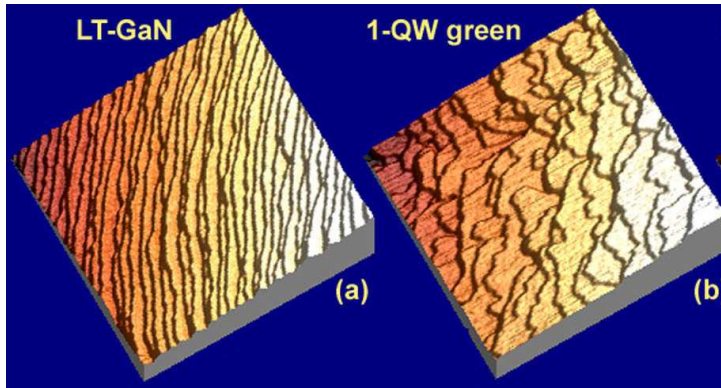


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Wavelength (nm)

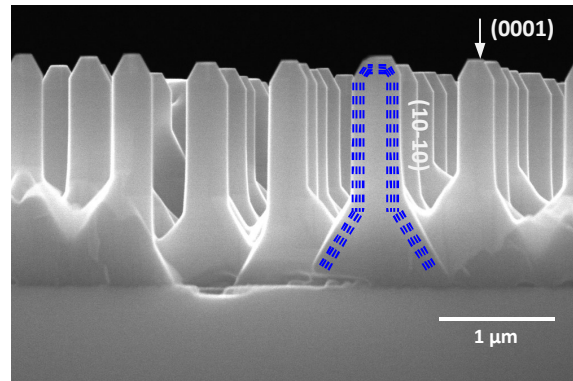
SSLS EFRC Research Challenges (2): Materials Architectures

2D AlInGaN “Planar” Films



InGaN planar films have lots of unanswered questions, but is mature enough for us to treat as an existing capability (not a Challenge)

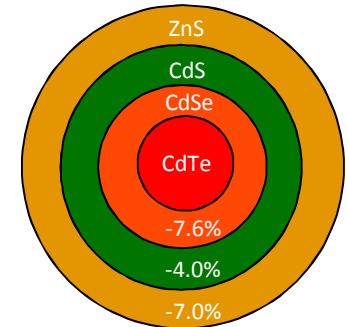
1D AlInGaN Nanowires



While investing in InGaN nanowires, a less explored platform with “breakthrough” potential (defect free, strain higher In content, ability to control crystal orientation, 2D coherent arrays)

George Wang

0D II-VI Quantum Dots



As well as in CdSe QDs for (possibly tunable) narrow-linewidth red wavelength downconversion

Jim Martin

SSLS EFRC Research Challenges (4): Light-Emission Physics

Wall-plug
efficiency

ε

*Mary
Crawford*

Joule efficiency ($\varepsilon_{\text{Joule}}$)

$$= \frac{2.8V}{V_{ph} + IR} \cdot 0.90$$

Injection
efficiency

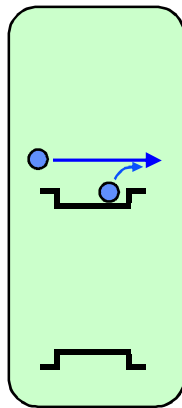
ε_{inj}

Internal quantum efficiency
(ε_{IQE})

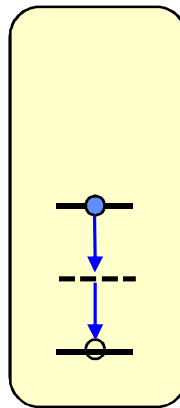
$$\frac{BN^2}{AN + BN^2 + CN^3 + \dots}$$

Extraction
efficiency

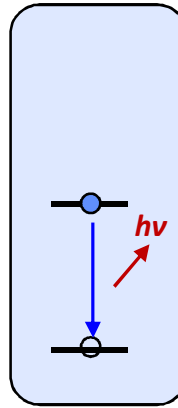
ε_{ext}



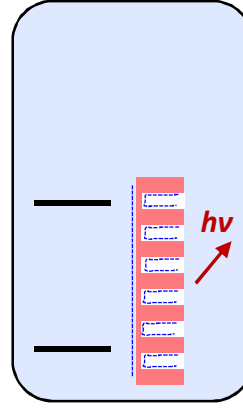
Carrier
overshoot
& escape



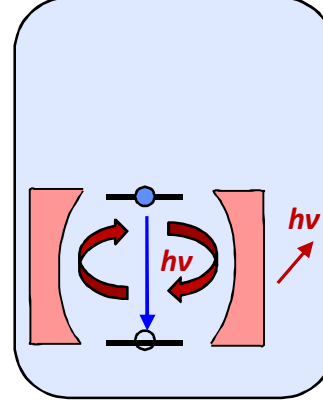
Shockley-
Read-Hall
(defect
mediated)



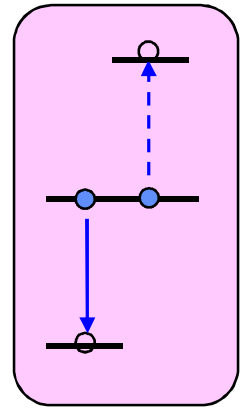
Spon-
taneous
Emission



Enhanced
Spontaneous
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Beyond
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Emission



Auger

*Andy
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Igal Brener

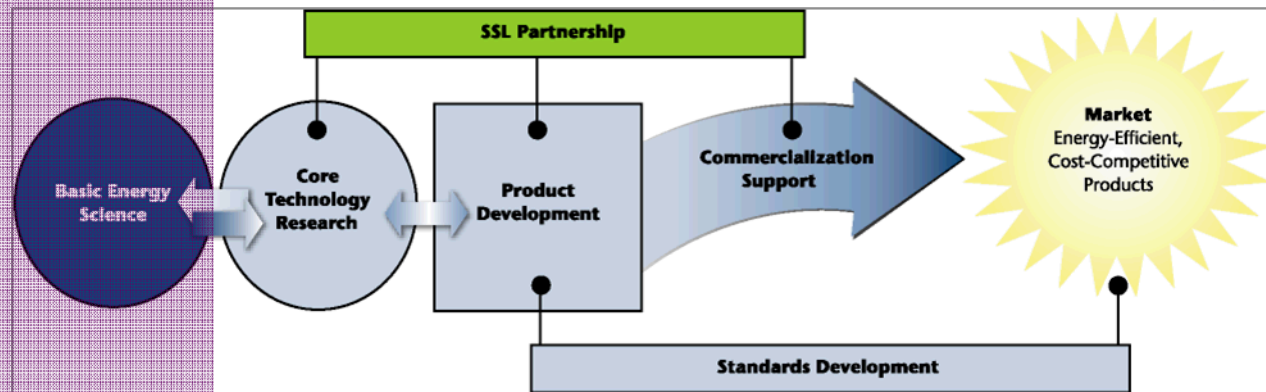
Art Fischer

SSLS EFRC Guiding Principles: 1 Use-Inspired *Basic* Research

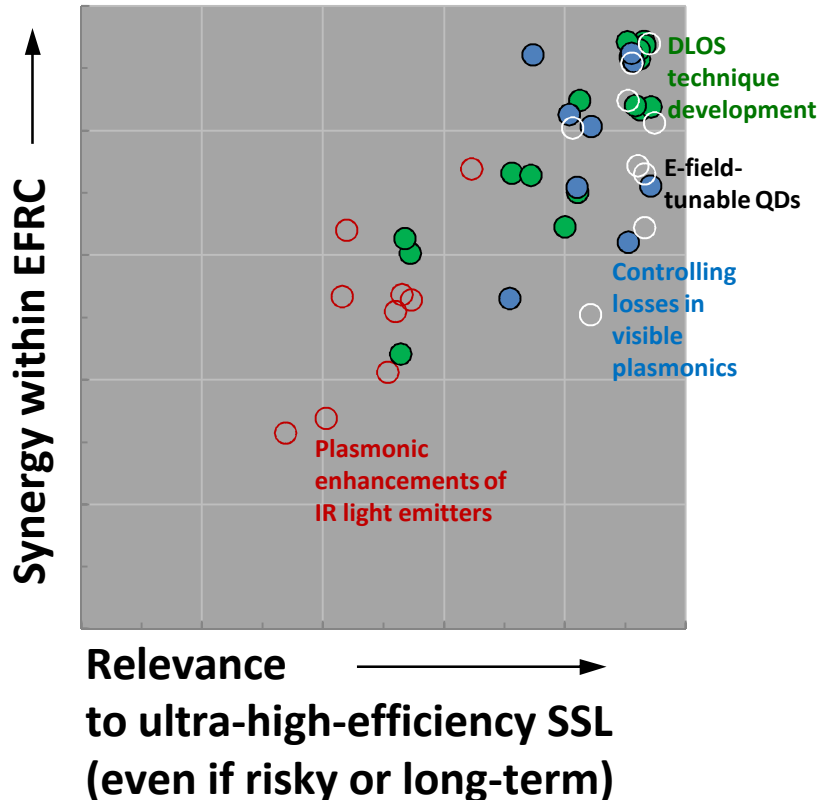
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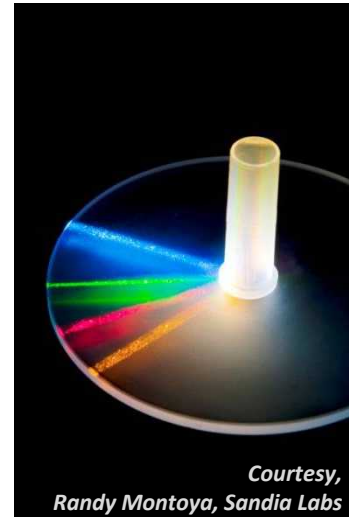
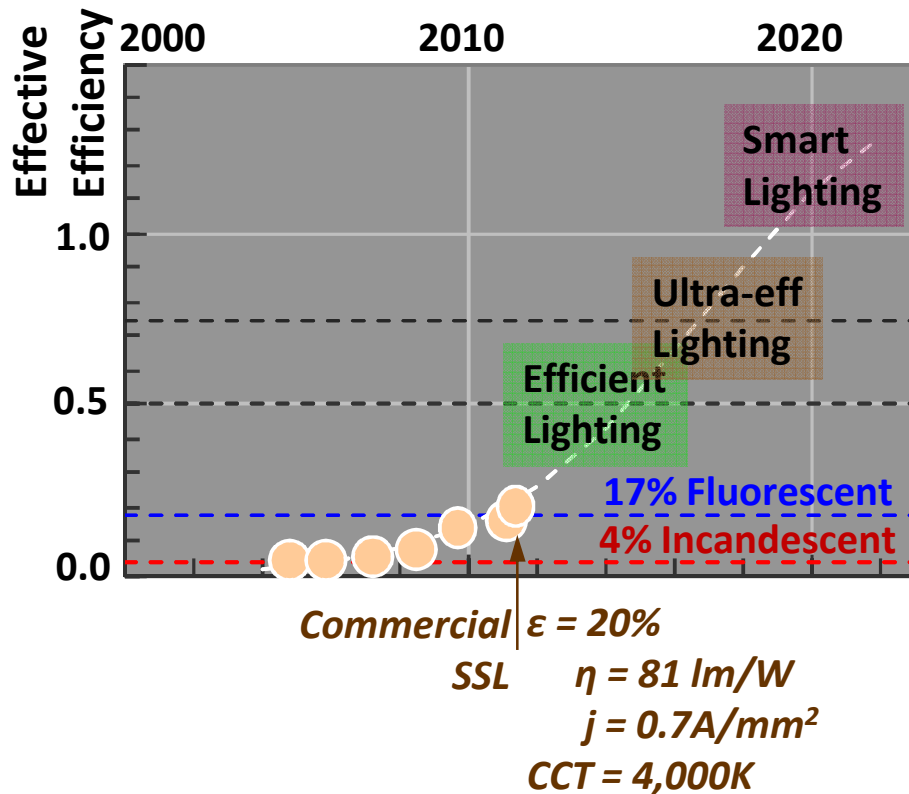
SSLS EFRC Guiding Principles: 2 SSL-Relevance and 3 Synergy



Intense mid-2nd year self and external scrutiny, with deliberate decisions made on ~18 projects within our 6 Challenge area

- Original (ongoing)
- Original (dropped)
- New (ongoing)
- New (wish)

Solid-State Lighting Science EFRC: Technical Overview

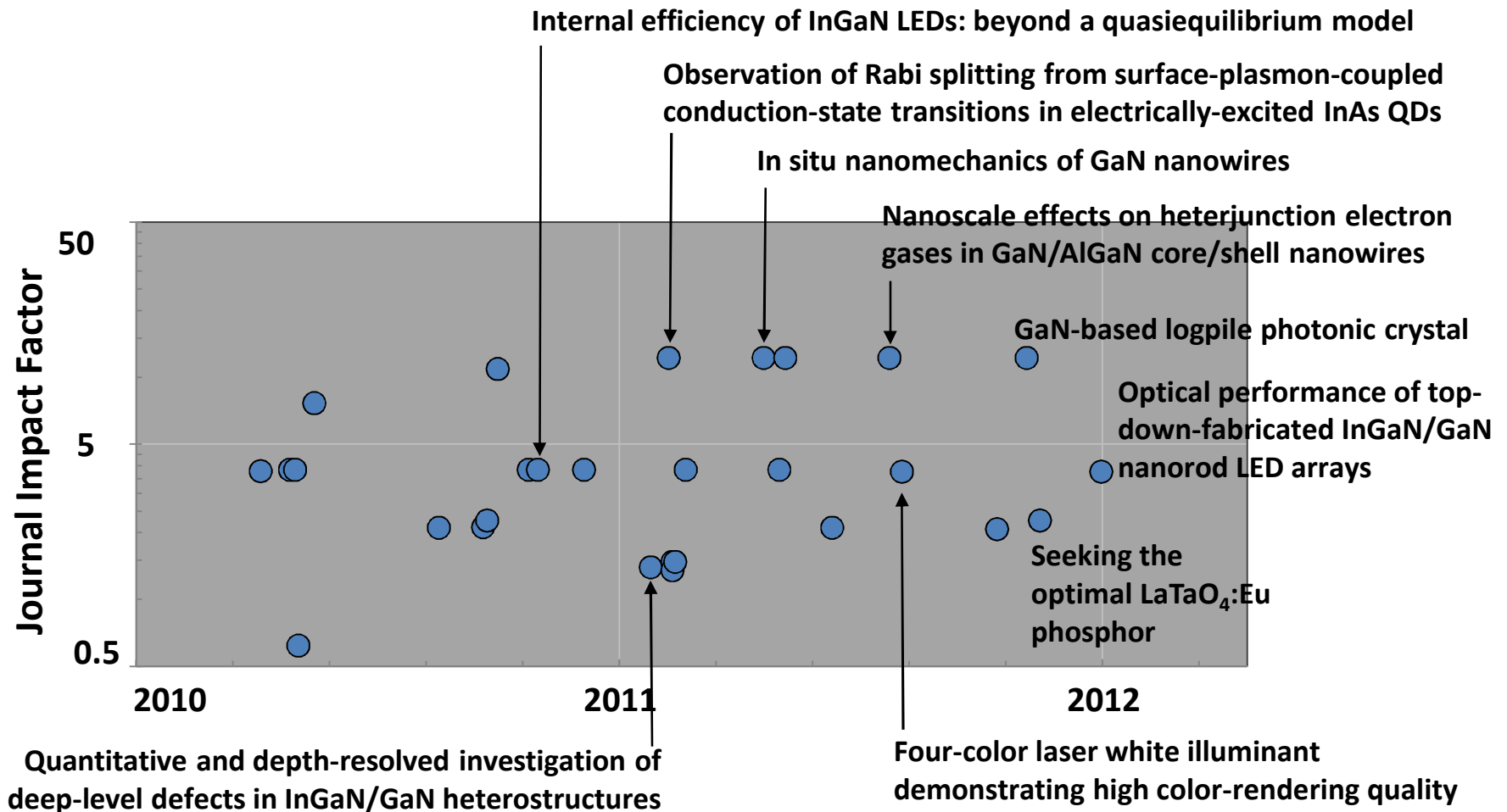


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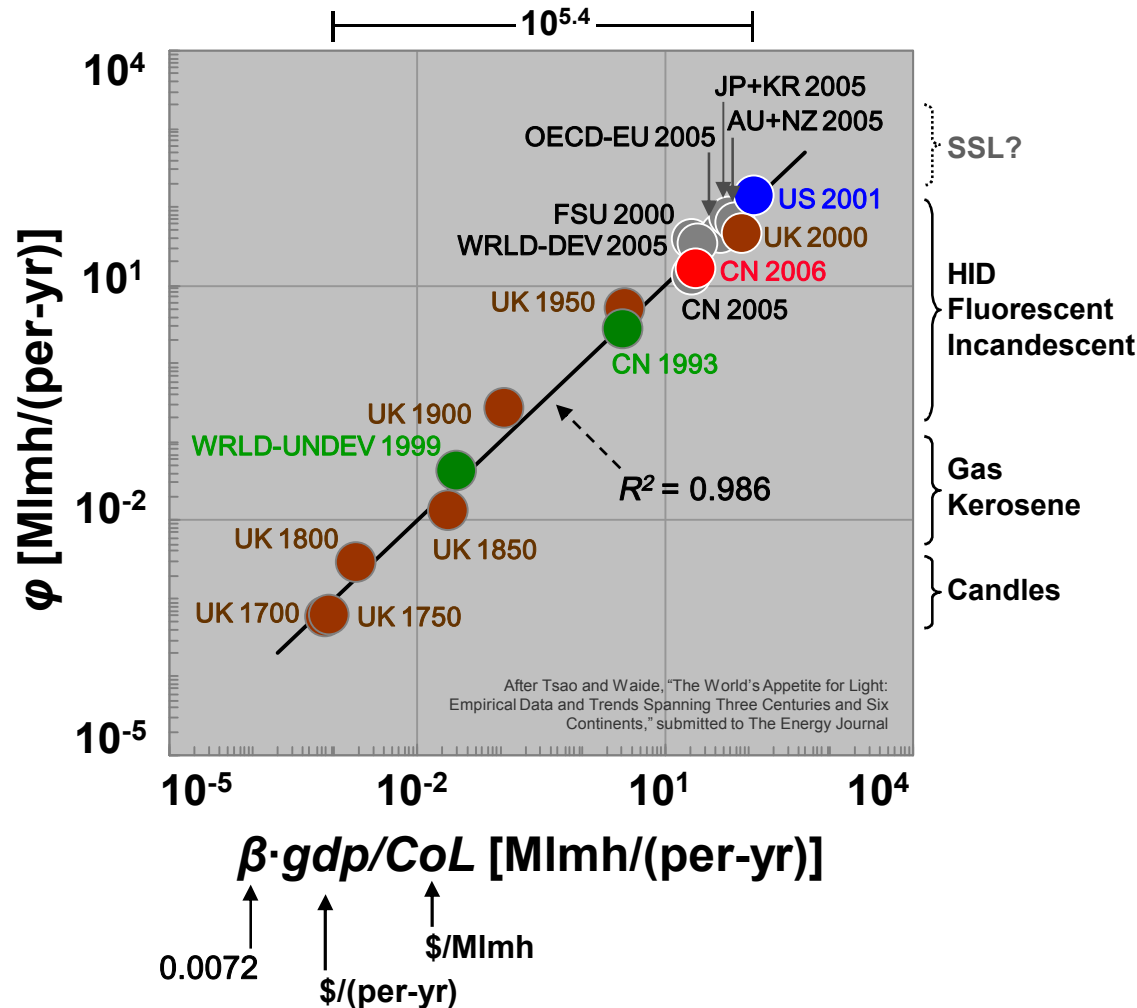
Back-Up



Publications



$$\varphi = \beta \cdot (\text{gdp}/\text{CoL})$$



Implication 1:

World has spent, and spends, ~0.72% of GDP on artificial light

The world in 2005:

0.72% = US\$440B / US\$60T

6.5% = 1 TW_c / 16 TW_c

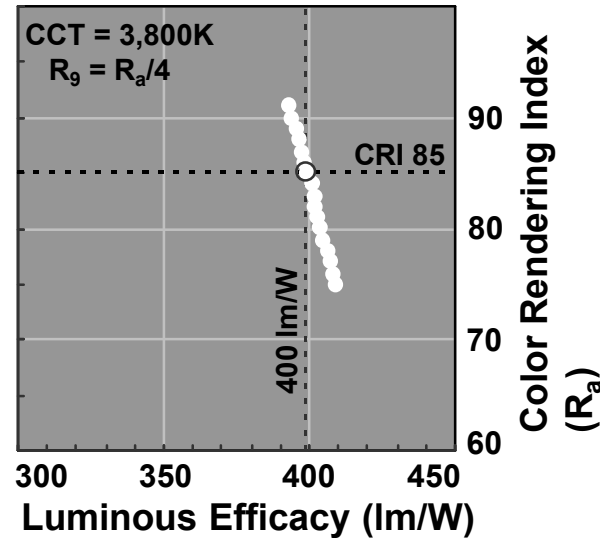
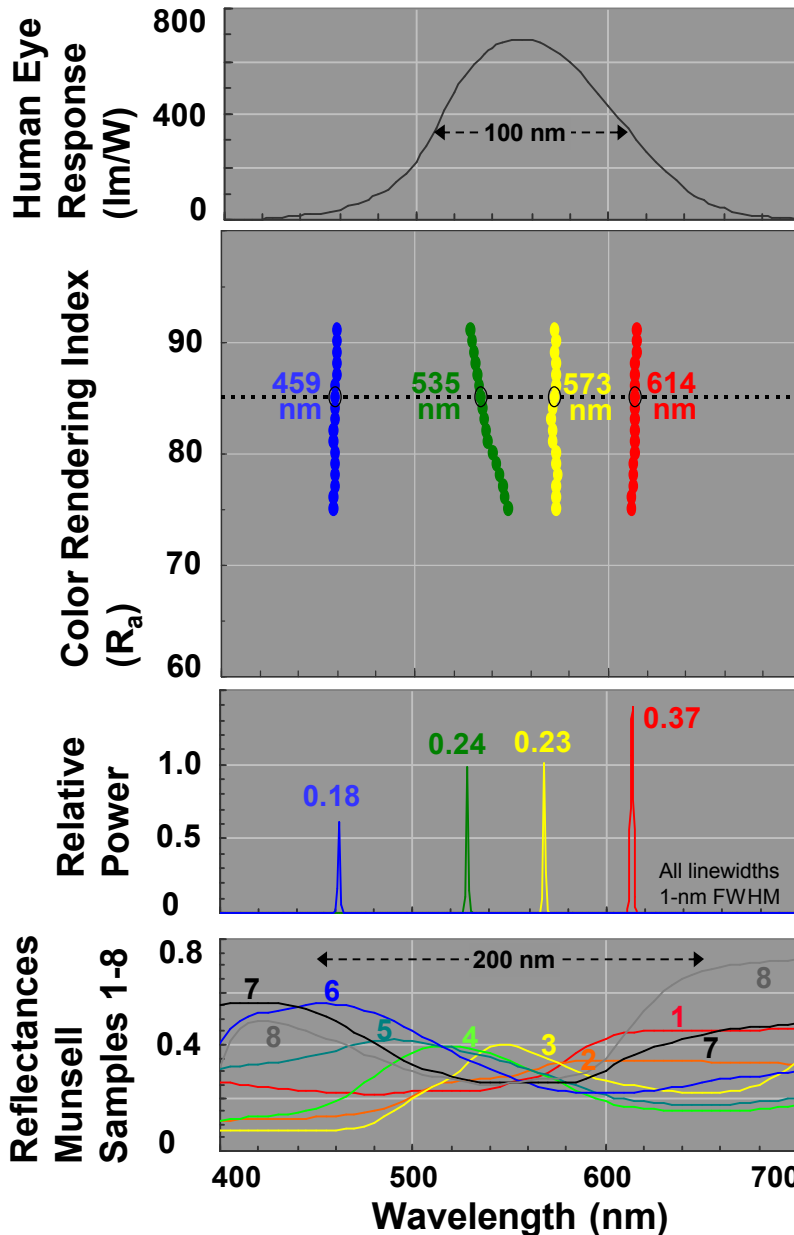
Implication 2:

Price and income elasticity of consumption of light is ~unity

Rebound is likely driven by human productivity:

If light is cheaper, we consume more so that we will be more productive (we're not just treading water)

Characteristics of “100%-Efficient” Lighting

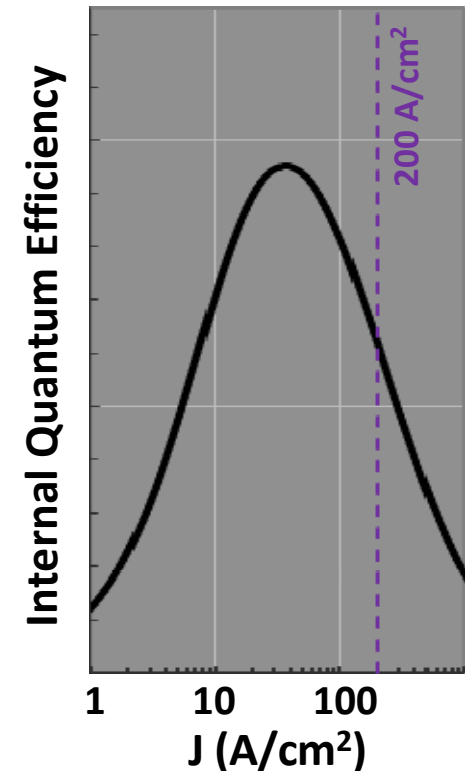
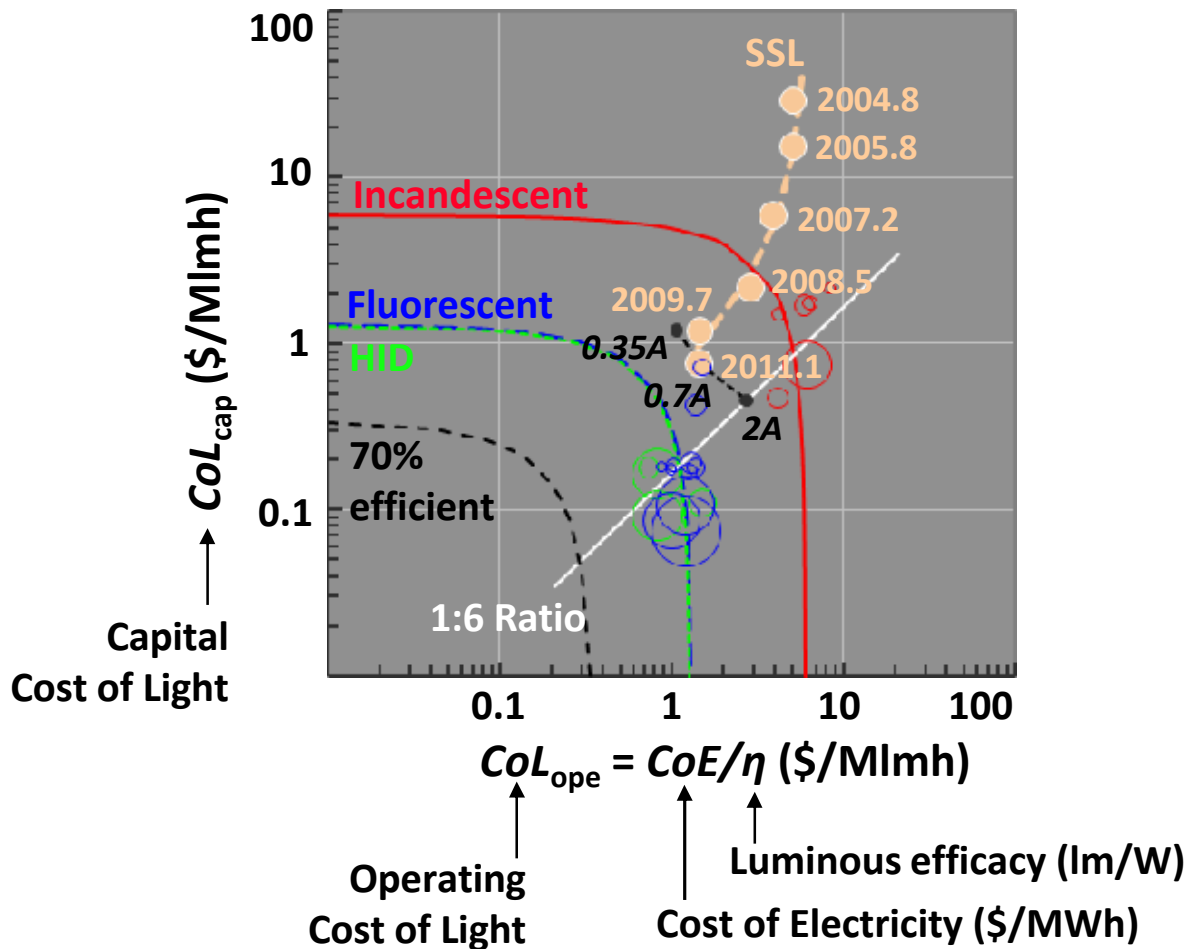


J.M. Phillips, et al, “Challenges to Ultra-Efficient SSL”, *Laser & Photonics Reviews* (2007).
Calculations based on white LED simulator 5-3 (Y. Ohno, NIST).

1 Efficiency droop

High current density is the preferred route to lower capital cost of light

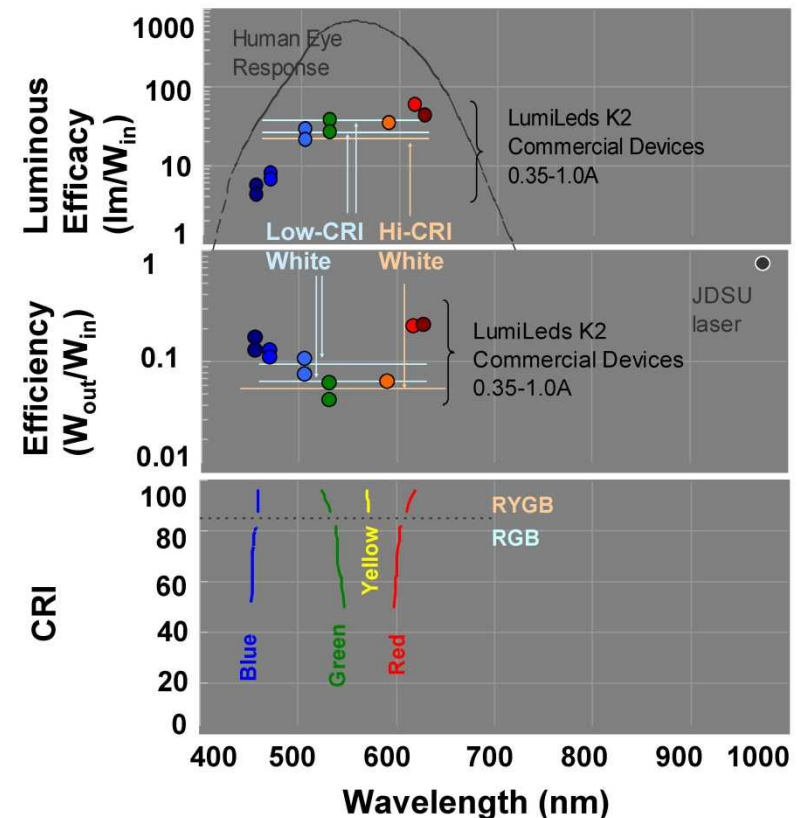
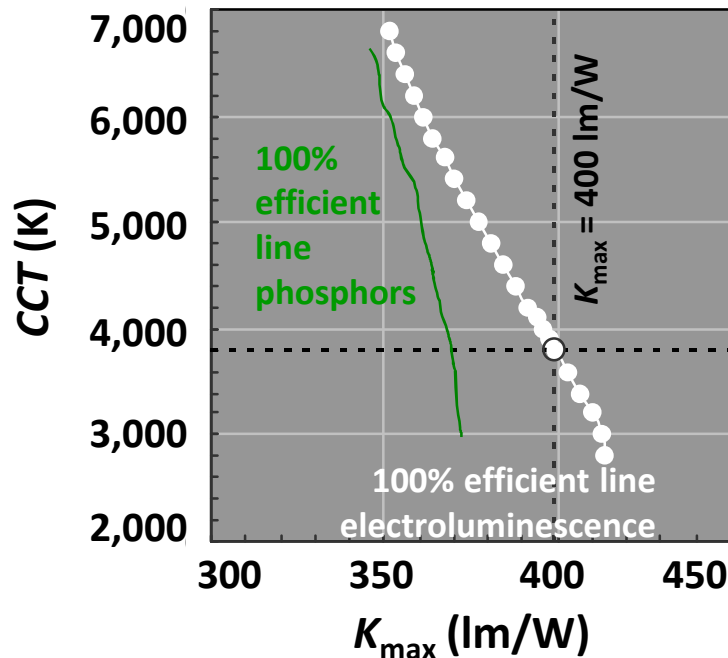
if not for efficiency droop



2 Green-Yellow-Orange Electroluminescence Gap

We would like to do away with phosphors, and their inherent Stokes deficit

But the GYO color range cannot yet be bridged by electroluminescent semiconductors

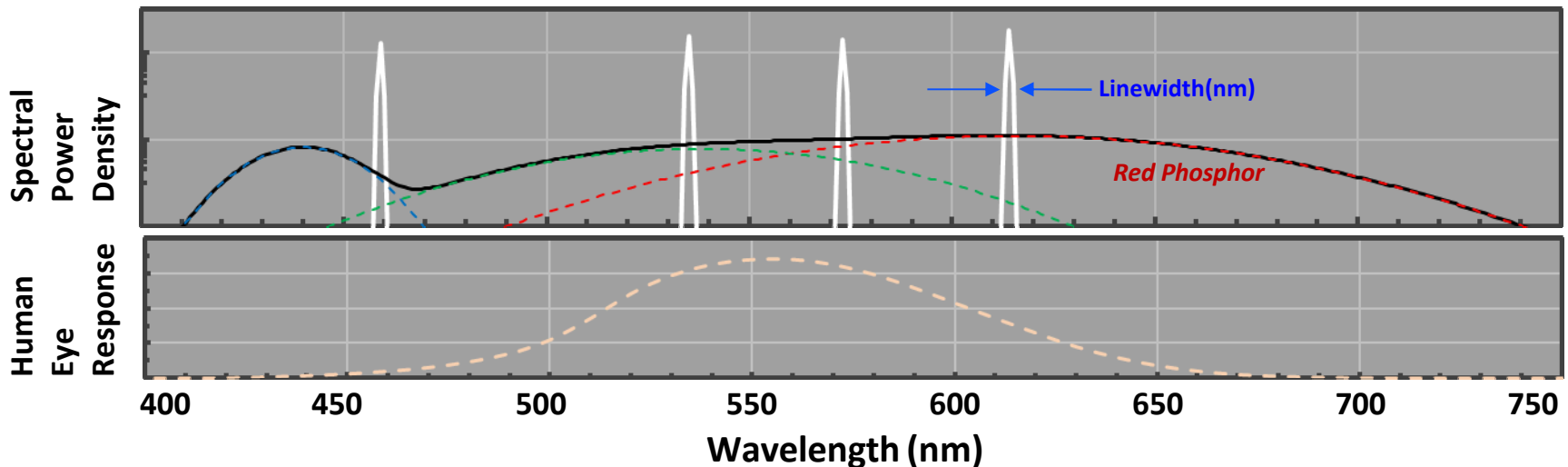
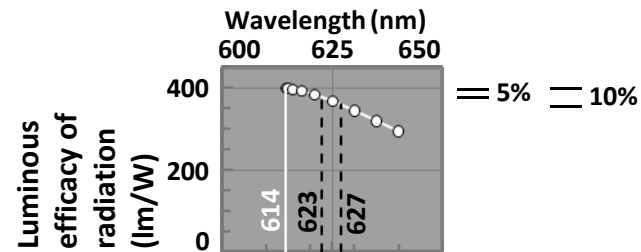
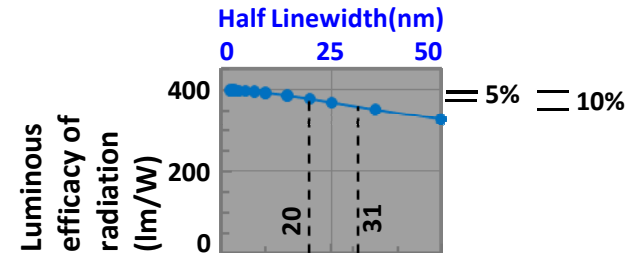


3 Fat linewidth shallow-red phosphor

Red phosphors
suffer from:

- (a) Stokes inefficiency $(1/2) * (1/4) = 12\%$
(b) Spectral inefficiency = 20%

~1/2 of white is red
Stokes loss from blue to red is ~1/4



4 Dumb Light

