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Lighting research at Aalto University – Lighting for health and wellbeing

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Outline

- Aalto University and Lighting Unit Intro
- Research Activities/projects
- Service to industry
- EU-project SSL-erate and Lighting for health and well being



Three Finnish higher education institutes, leaders in their field, formed **Aalto University** on 1st January 2010

Where *science* and *art* meet *technology* and *business*

*A community of:
20,000 students
and 4,700 faculty &
staff, with 340
professors.*



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Business

School of
Chemical
Technology

School of
Science

School of
Electrical
Engineering

School of Art,
Design and
Architecture

School of *Electrical Engineering*

Basic research, latest technologies and high quality engineering

Areas covered:

Micro- and nanosciences

Radio science and engineering

Signal processing and acoustics

Electrical engineering and automation

Communications and networking

Research infrastructures:

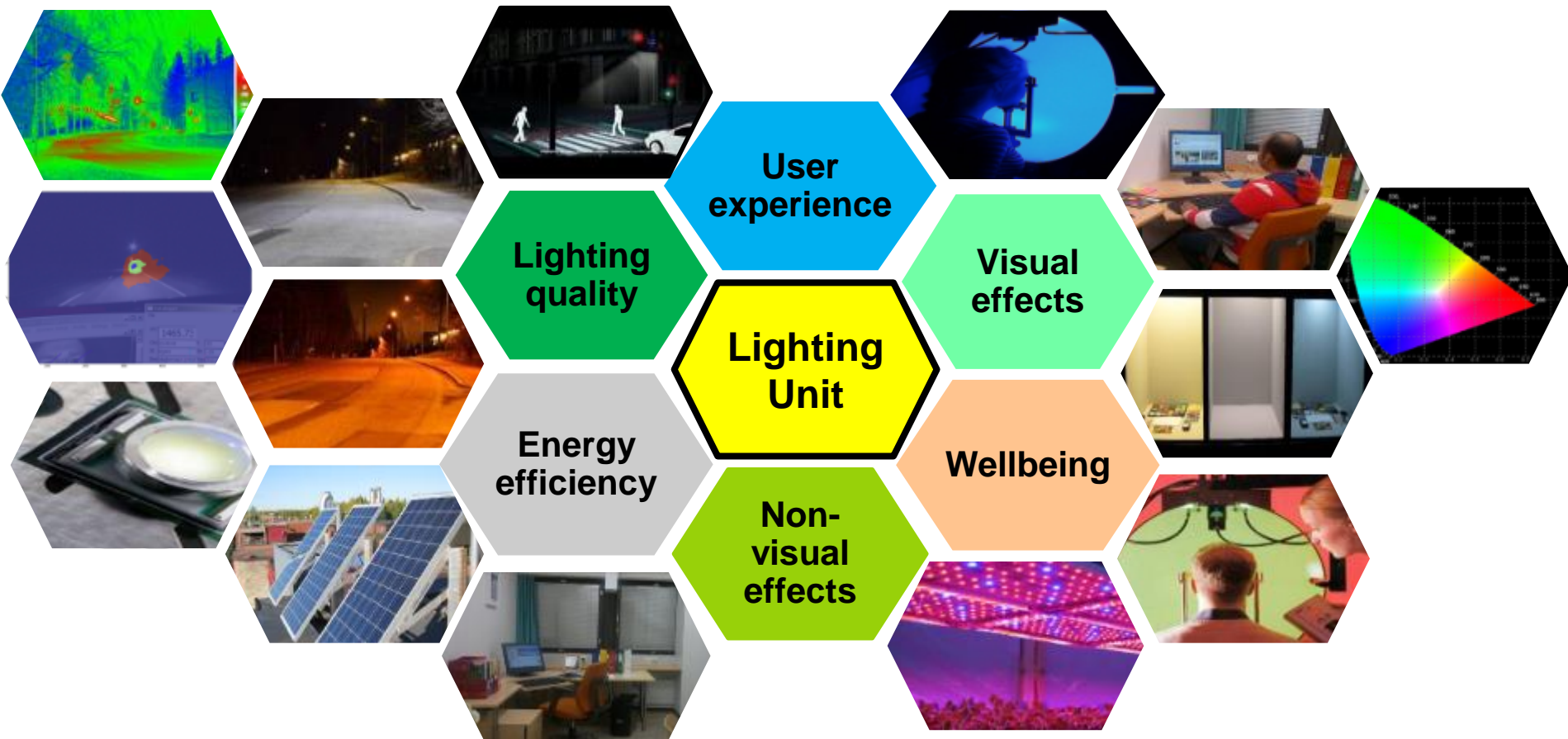
Metsähovi Radio Observatory

Aalto Nanofab

*Staff 660
Professors 50
Degree students
3 432*



*Lighting
Unit –
about 10
people*



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Lighting Unit - Doctoral Thesis Works 2005-2015

Marjukka Eloholma: Visual performance based mesopic photometry (2005)

Pasi Orreveläinen: Contrast sensitivity and reaction time at mesopic light levels (2005)

Jaakko Ketomäki: Contrast threshold in the mesopic and photopic luminance ranges (2006)

Henri Juslén: Benefits of lighting for industry - case studies (2007)

Meri Liesiö: Visual performance at low light levels (2007)

Liping Guo: Lighting control in street lighting (2008)

Paolo Pinho: LEDs for plant applications (2008)

Pramod Bhusal: Energy-efficiency of lighting in developed and developing countries (2009)

Aleksandr Ekrias: Development and enhancement of road lighting principles (2010)

Ater Amogpai: LED lighting combined with solar panel in developing countries (2011)

Emilia Rautkylä: Biological effects of light (2011)

Anne Ylinen: Development and analysis of road lighting energy efficiency (2011)

Leena Tähkämö: Life cycle assessments of light sources (2013)

Heli Nikunen: Perceived restorativeness, preference and fear in outdoor spaces 2013)

Wei Luo: Visual adaptation and mesopic photometry in pedestrian way lighting 2014

Mikko Hyvärinen: Methodological questions in lighting acceptance and preference studies (2015)

Janne Viitanen: Energy efficient lighting systems in buildings with integrated photovoltaics (2015)

Mohammad Islam: User acceptance studies for LED office lighting (2015)

Rajendra Dangol: Subjective preferences for light colour and LED lighting (2015)

Can Cengiz: Visual Performance in mesopic conditions: Towards determination of adaptation luminance (2015)

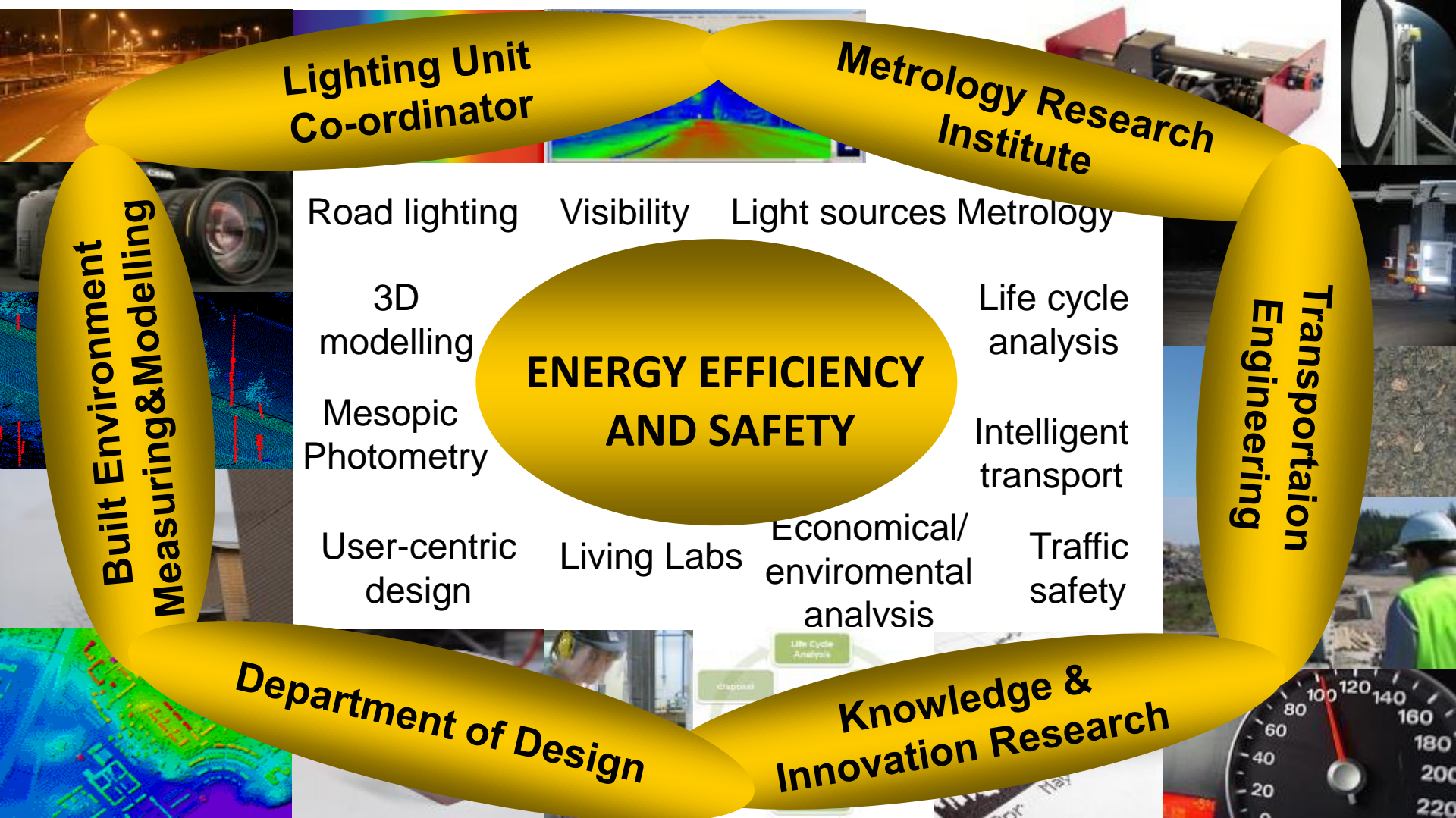
Mikko Maksimainen: Spatial phenomena of human vision in continuously transforming visual field (*expected 2016*)

Rupak Baniya: LED colour characteristics in office lighting (*expected 2016*)



Aalto Energy Efficiency - Light Energy (2012-2016 + 3 y)

Efficient and safe Traffic Environments



CIE Mesopic Photometry

- Describes mesopic spectral sensitivity in the luminance region of 0.005 – 5 cd/m²
- Provides common metric for dimensioning and measuring lighting at low light levels (street, outdoor areas, pedestrian ways etc.)

$$V_{mes}(\lambda) = m V(\lambda) + (1-m) V'(\lambda)$$



Why do we need different photometry for low light levels (0.005 - 5 cd/cm²)?



PHOTOPIC CONDITIONS
DAYLIGHT

CONES

$V(\lambda)$ (est. 1924)



MESOPIC CONDITIONS

RODS AND CONES

$V_{\text{mes}}(\lambda)$ (est. 2010)



SCOTOPIC CONDITIONS
MOONLIGHT

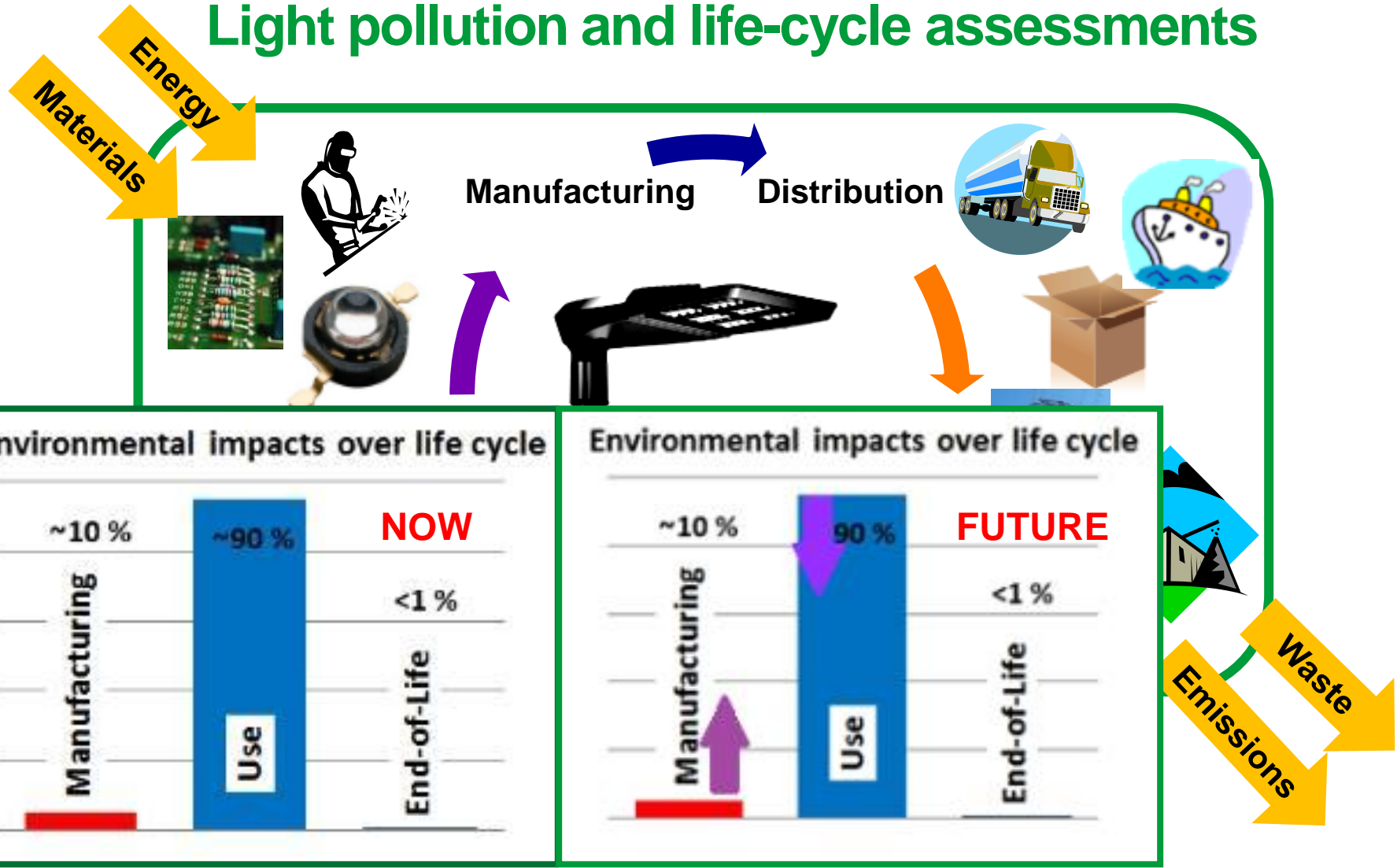
RODS

$V'(\lambda)$ (est. 1951)



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Academy of Finland – Environmental impact of lighting: Light pollution and life-cycle assessments



COST Action ES1204

Loss of the Night Network (LoNNe)

One aim is to study outdoor lighting solutions with the least impact on light pollution

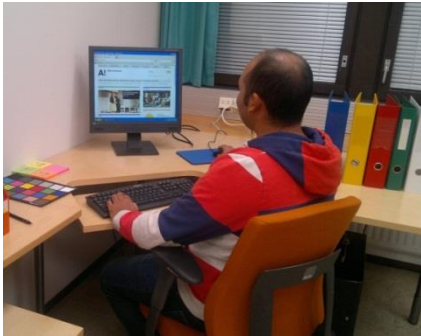
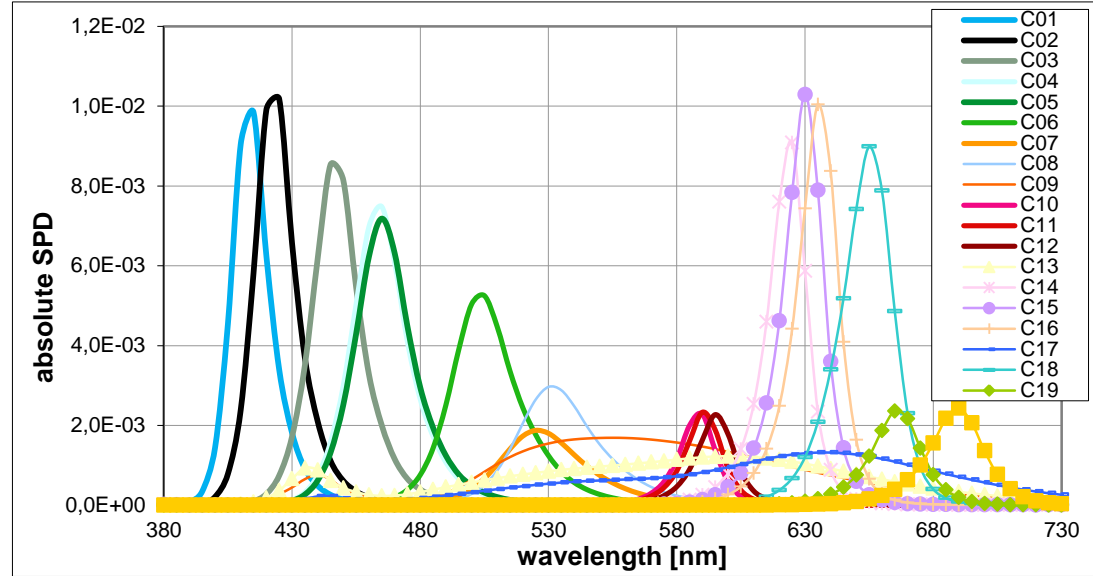
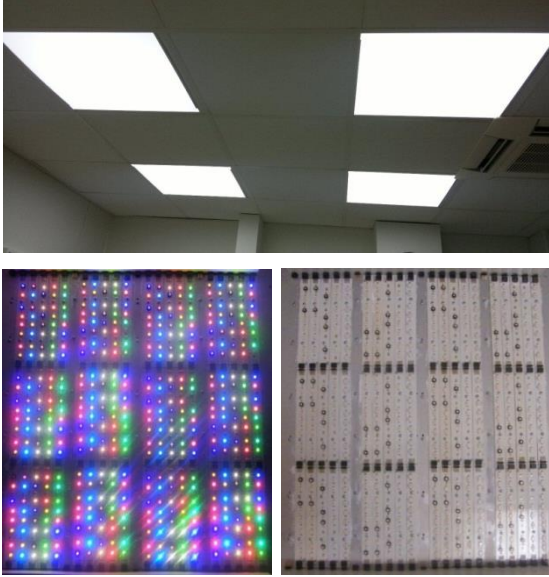


Horticultural LED Lighting

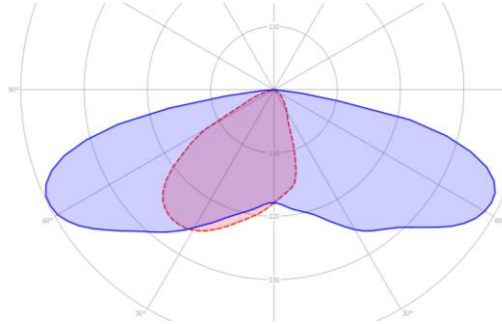
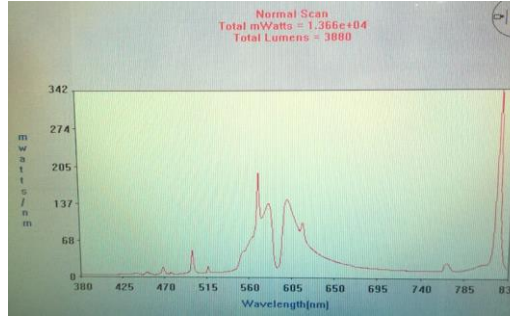
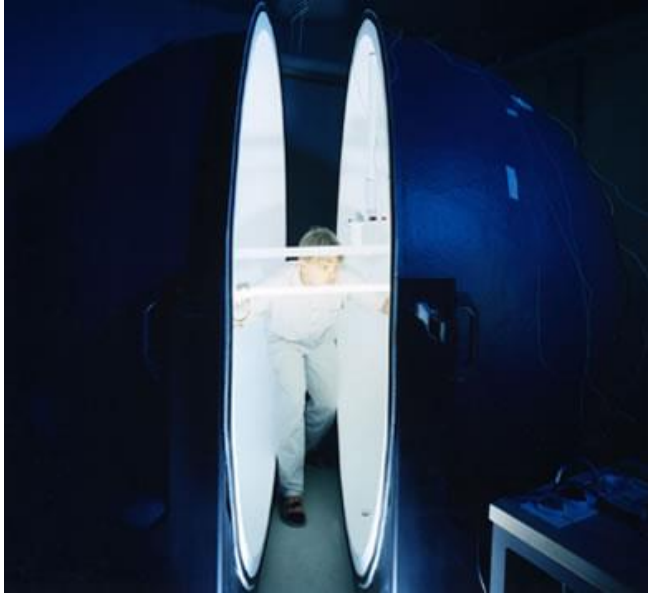
- Main goals
 - Efficient use of energy
 - Growth control and optimization (e.g. morphogenesis, germination, flowering and nutritional value)
 - Increase crop productivity
 - Implement versatile lighting tailored for specific crops



Color fidelity and color preference studies

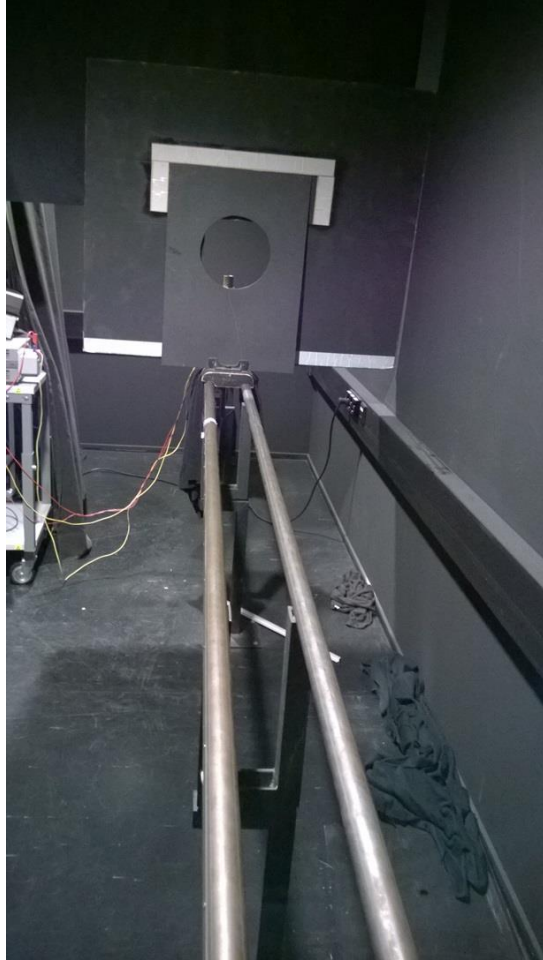


Lighting Unit – Services to Industry



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Education Development and Capacity Building Projects in Asia , Africa..

- PROMILL - Promoting Illuminating Engineering Studies and Research in **China** (EC funded) **2003 - 2006**
- ENLIGHTEN - Educational and research networking between Europe and **Nepal** (EC funded) **2005-2008**
- ELMCA - Curricula Development for Universities in **Thailand, Vietnam, Philippines** (EC funded) **2007-2009**
- Networking and capacity building project in **Nepal, Vietnam** (Foreign Ministry funded) **2011-2013**
- Networking on Environmental Safety & Sustainability (EC funded) – **Japan, Korea, Australia, New Zealand** **2012 - 2016**
- Energy efficient lighting curricula development in **Ethiopia, Nepal** (Foreign Ministry funded) **2013-2015**
- Networking and capacity building project in **Nepal, Ethiopia** (Foreign Ministry funded) **2014-2015**



European Commission project SSL-erate: Accelerate SSL Innovation for Europe



24 partners / 13 countries



gemeente Eindhoven



STAVANGER KOMMUNE



Light for life: are we using the right light?



.....too little light in daytime

consequences

- circadian misentrainment
problems with body clock, similar to jet-lag
- problems with sleep & alertness
- compromised mood, functioning, well-being and health....



.....too much light by night



HUMAN CENTRIC LIGHTING:
designed to benefit human health & wellbeing
the right light, at the right time & place

Health and wellbeing (SSL-erate WP3)

non-visual effects of light

- Identify non-visual effects for five application domains (education, healthcare, workplaces, homes, cities)
- Create dose-response curves (scientific studies): which non-visual effects occur in what light intensity ranges
- Give guidance on which light metrics to use in practice

Accelerate uptake Solid State Lighting technology



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scientific insights, new functions & use cases

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- innovation opportunities
 - Dynamic regulation & presets (intensity, spectrum) to support activities (concentration, relaxation,...)
 - Context adaptation & personalization

Workplace Lighting

scientific insights, new functions & use cases

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 - alertness, vitality, cognitive performance, attention
 - environmental appraisal
 - subsequent sleep (duration & timing)
- From (well-controlled) lab to real-life
 - Balance acute effects & circadian effects



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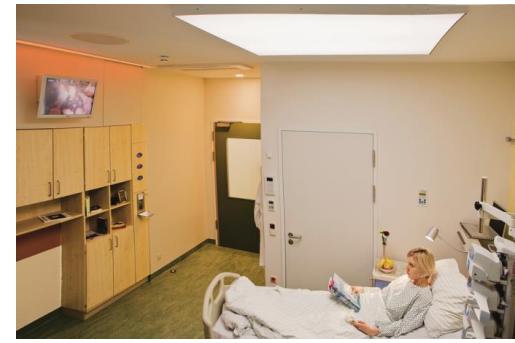


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 - Adapt light settings to user and context
 - Dynamic regulation (intensity, spectrum,)
 - Promote alertness @ start work/shift & post-lunch
 - Flexible regulation (time of year, task, personalization,...)

Healthcare Lighting

scientific insights, new functions & use cases

- Treating depression on a hospital ward
 - Intense daytime light exposure
 - Dawn-simulation
- Elderly:
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 - User-tunable light (staff/patient/resident): being in control enhances independency, confidence and positive attitude (better mood/healing)
 - 24h light-dark cycle: dawn simulation, cool light that fluctuates with warm light over the course of the day (14h), warm light in the evening, sufficiently dimmed light at night (all rooms & corridors)
 - Use daylight in architecture as much as possible & avoid glare

Domestic lighting

scientific insights, new functions & use cases

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 - Alerts
 - Compromises sleep: longer sleep-onset, less deep sleep and sleep quality
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 - Apply light in the early morning and late evening (best sensitivity)
 - During daytime use cooler color temperatures (i.e., blue-rich light) in rooms with little/no natural light entrance
 - Intelligent, dynamic light solutions: simulate dawn and dusk, automated photoperiod of about 12 hours of sufficient brightness and 12 hours of reduced light (relatively dim, blue-deprived light or dark)

Smart Cities & Lighting

scientific insights, new functions & use cases



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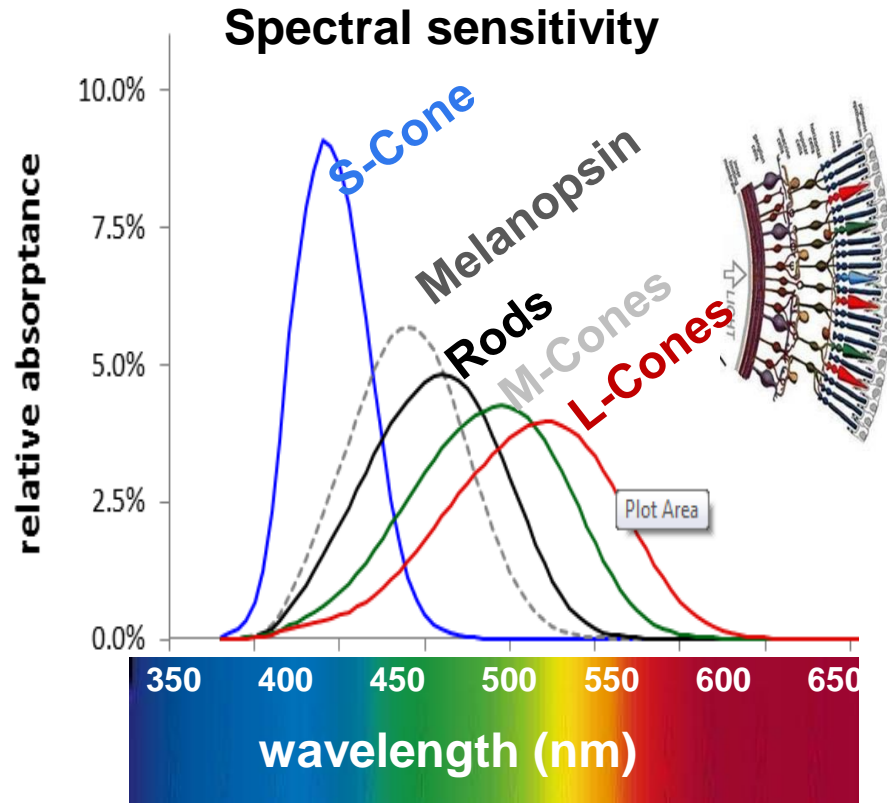
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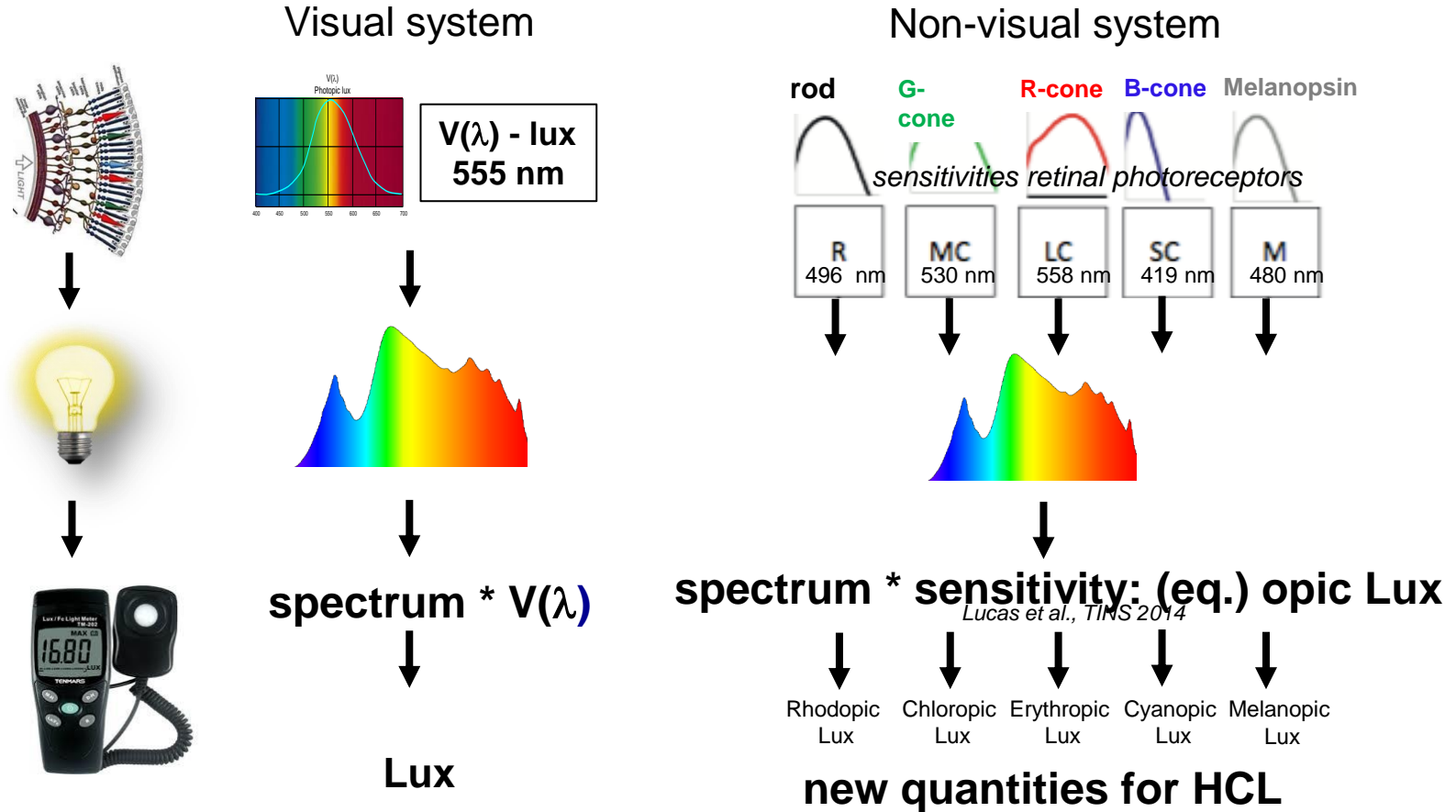
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 - carefully choosing the spectra, determining the timing and defining the light intensity range (min and max) of the lighting system
 - Involve car manufacturers in future road lighting
 - Limit blue-content (less circadian active, fewer insects)
 - Address needs of (elderly) pedestrians

Quantify light via five photoreceptor inputs



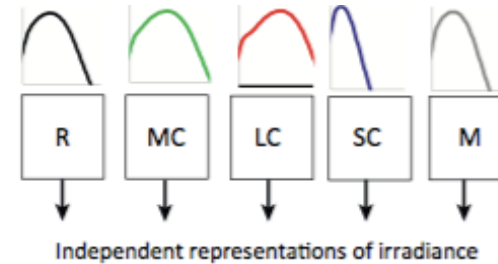
photoreceptors interplay & total spectral sensitivity depends on (non-visual) effect, timing, intensity, adaptation state...

Rethinking light beyond vision and lux...



Measuring light

- Lucas et al (2014) created a tool to quantify photoreceptor weighted irradiances



- Improved by Dieter Lang (α -opic daylight equivalent illuminance; and α -opic action factor)

Melanopic Light Sources Toolkit V13.12
lightingforpeople
OSRAM

Input
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S/P-ratio
0.868

LPW (photopic)
206.2

Results
DIN SPEC 5033-100
melanopic action factor Φ_{mel}
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select type of light source
Daylight 4500-8000K

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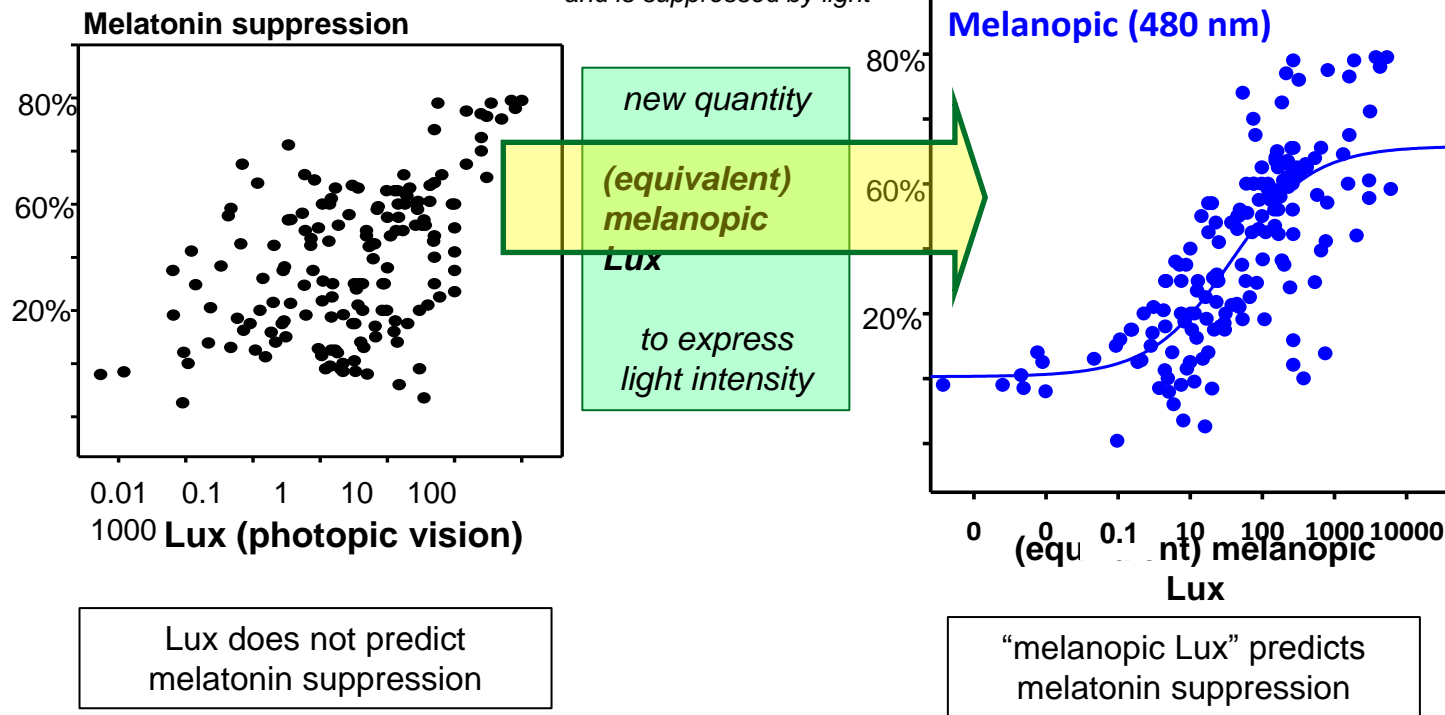
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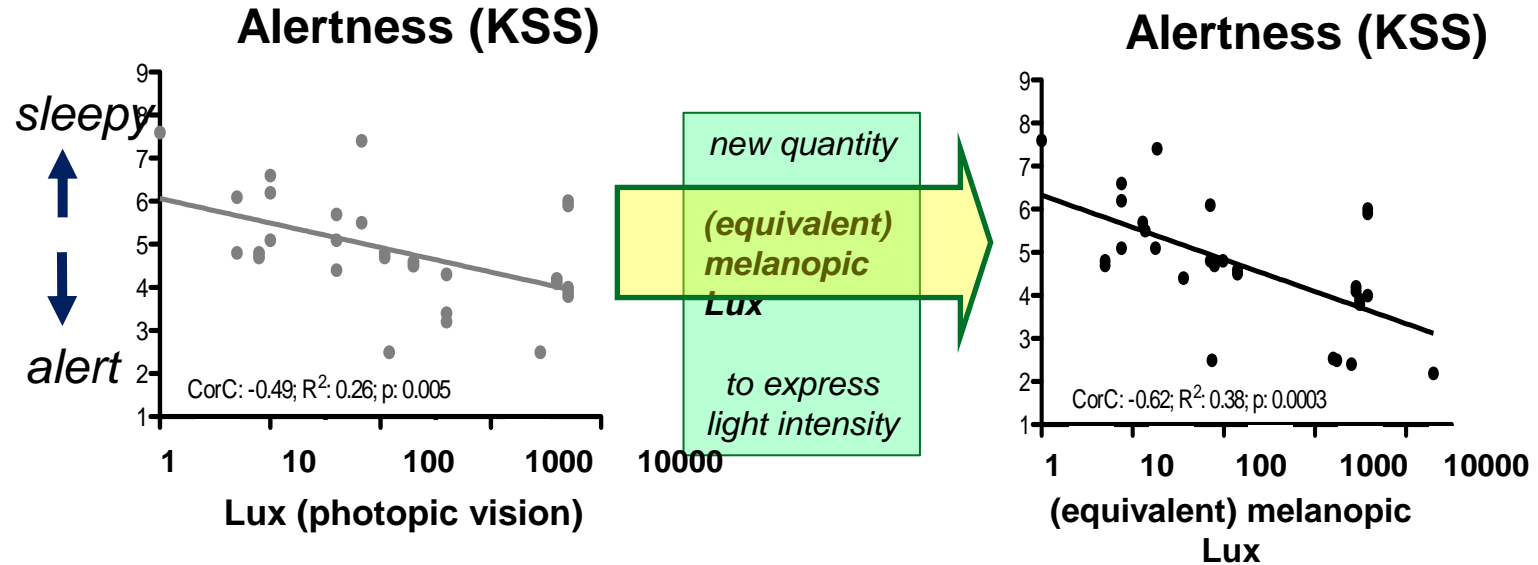
“...allows calculation of melanopic and α -opic data for different light sources at different intensities”
“...primarily intended for scientific use”

Melatonin suppression and light intensity

*Melatonin @ night promotes good sleep
and is suppressed by light*



Alertness and light intensity



Alertness correlates
with log(lux)

Alertness correlates more
strongly with
log("melanopic lux")

Conclusions

- Melatonin suppression: lux (photopic vision) is not predicting the response
- α -opic irradiances are expected to be useful predictors for non-visual effects of light in HCL, especially for narrow spectral bands, mixed colors or special whites
- The lighting practice needs SI compliant metrics:
 - unit “ α -opic lux” is not SI-compliant
 - α -opic irradiance & α -opic daylight-equivalent illuminance
(multiplication factors, definitions & notations pending in CIE)
- Start using α -opic irradiances to design light conditions that achieve, or avoid, certain non-visual effects.
- Application example for dynamic light solutions:
 - offer high melanopic irradiances during daytime
 - and minimize melanopic irradiance during the night



THANK YOU for your attention!

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