



Horticultural lighting

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From Light to Lighting

Horticultural lighting

- Specific terms and units
- Lighting for plants – design approaches
- Optics for horticultural lighting
- Reference design with Cree LEDs



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Why LED?

Horticultural lighting

Control of spectral content

- Better match of spectra to plant's needs
- By species / growth stage

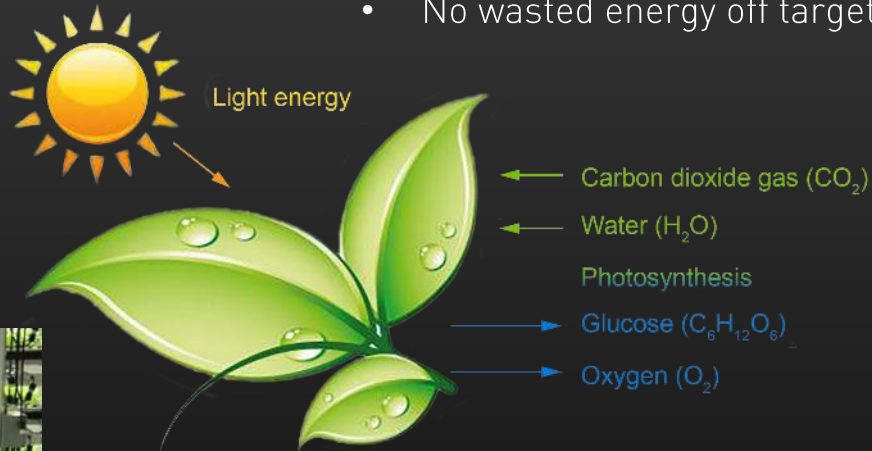
Superior optical control

- Better control of where the light goes
- No wasted energy off target



Lower radiated heat

- Lights closer to plants → more dense farms
- Lower water consumption



Sustainability

- Long lifetime of luminaires
- Lower maintenance costs

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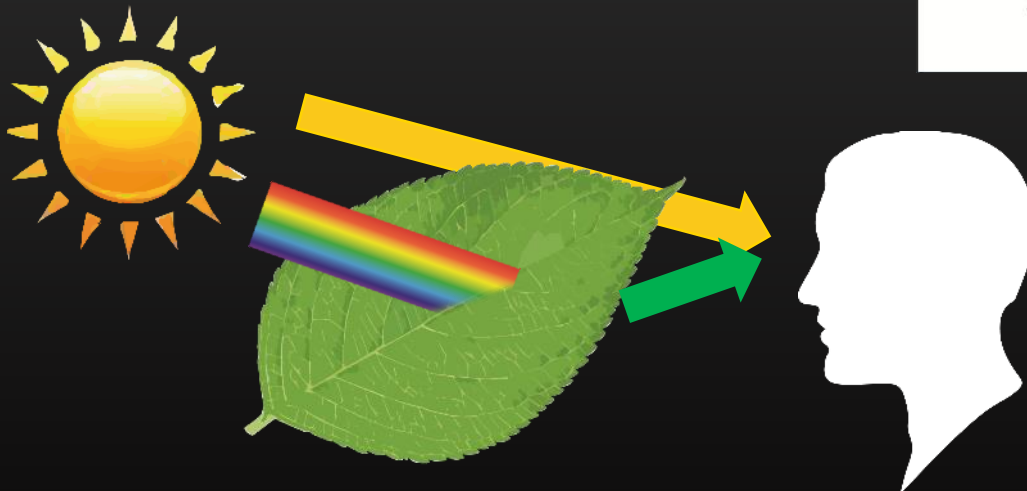
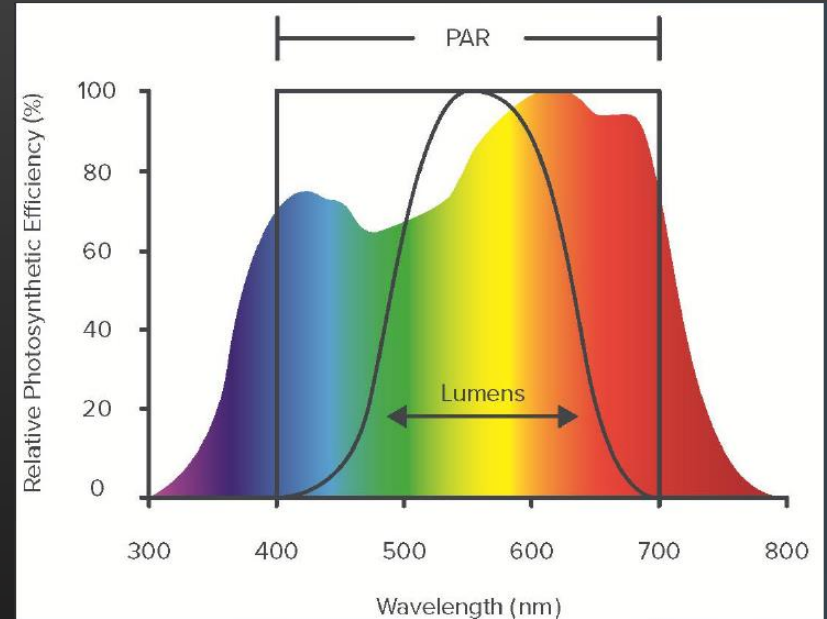
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Lumens are for humans

– Plants see photons

Horticultural lighting

- Plants have completely different sensitivity to light colors than humans
- Uniformity and constant quality of light spectrum is very important for production
- Plant growth strongly determined by PPF



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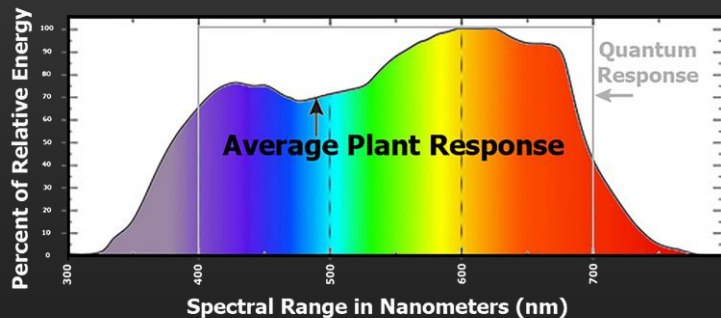
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Specific terms and units

Horticultural lighting

- PAR (Photosynthetically active Radiation)
 - Spectral range between 400-700 nm

The McCree Curve



- PPF (Photosynthetic Photon Flux)
 - PPF is the total amount of PAR photons generated by luminaire
 - Measured in micromol / second
 - Similar to **lumens**

- PPFD (Photosynthetic Flux Density)
 - PPFD is the total amount of PAR photons falling on target area
 - **ONLY PHOTONS THAT HIT THE TARGET COUNT**
 - Similar to **lux**

- DLI (Daylight integral)
 - DLI requirements vary by plant species

- PPF/W (Photosynthetic efficiency)
 - PPF/W is the luminaire's efficiency at converting electricity into PAR photons
 - Measured in micromol / Joule
 - Similar to **lumens/W**

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Key questions

Lighting for plants – Design approach

Component

Affecting

- LEDs
- Driver

PPF &
Spectral Power

- Generating enough photons?
- Correct ratio of photons?

- Optics

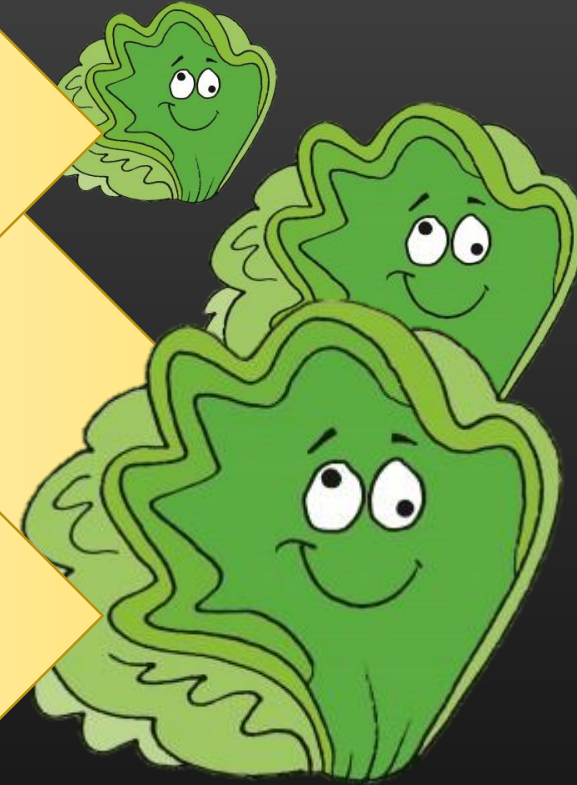
PPFD
(min, max,
uniformity)

- Are the photons going where they are needed?
- Distance required between luminaires
- Distance required between luminaire & plants?

- All

PPF/W
(efficacy)

- How efficient at generating photons?



Successful growlight fixture is the sum of it's components!

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Maximize your usable efficacy

Horticultural lighting

- Focus light energy into where it's needed
→ Greater yield with a greater PPFD and less electrical power
- Uniform intensity and spectral distribution
→ Healthier and more productive plants
- Optics help focusing the light into plants, allowing either greater crop yield and shorter grow cycles or reduced BOM costs of luminaire

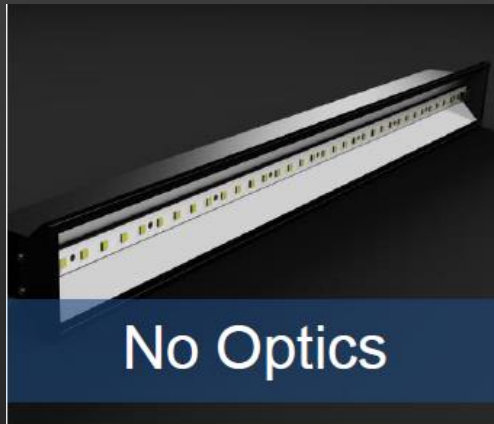


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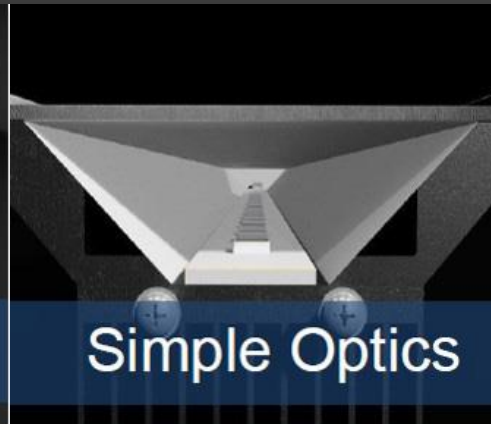
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Optics for horticultural lighting

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No Optics



Simple Optics



Individual Optics

 <p>High Bay</p>	<p><i>Not Recommended</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Optics will greatly increase PPFD and are worth the cost	<p><i>Lowest Cost</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflector/film improves PPFD and uniformity• Enables wider range of mounting heights	<p><i>High Performance</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good uniformity• Improved mixing for multi-color systems
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- Optics:
- Focus light into plants
 - Increase both spectral and PPFD uniformity



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Different ways to light

Different types of Top lighting and Intra-canopy lighting

➤ Top lighting - greenhouses

- General hall/greenhouse lighting from the roof
- Retrofitting old HPS or modifying spectral content
- **Challenges:** light concentration on plants, uniformity and constant quality of light spectrum, high amount of power needed



➤ Top lighting – vertical farming

- Emerging trend – illumination from top at a close distance
- **Challenges:** uniform intensity and spectral distribution, plants shading each other, photosynthetic efficiency (PPF/W), heat



➤ Intra-canopy lighting

- Illumination on the side or inside the plants
- Possible with LEDs (HPS too hot)
- **Challenges:** uniform PPFD, good color uniformity (if continuous/wide spectrum), spectrum fit to the rest of lighting



Different ways to light

LEDiL optics for different types of Top lighting and Intra-canopy lighting

➤ Top lighting - greenhouses

Optics: 60-90deg low/mid bay (beam depends on installation height) with a slight batwing for uniform illuminance

Beam examples

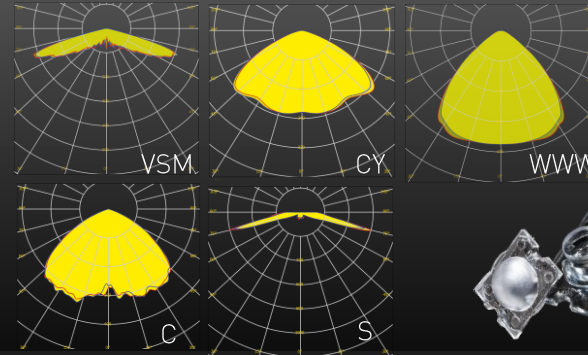


Optic examples



➤ Top lighting – vertical farming

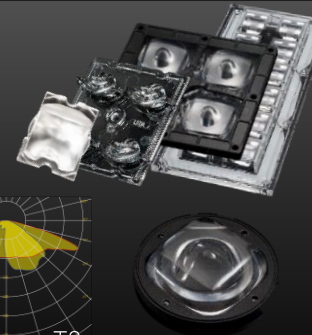
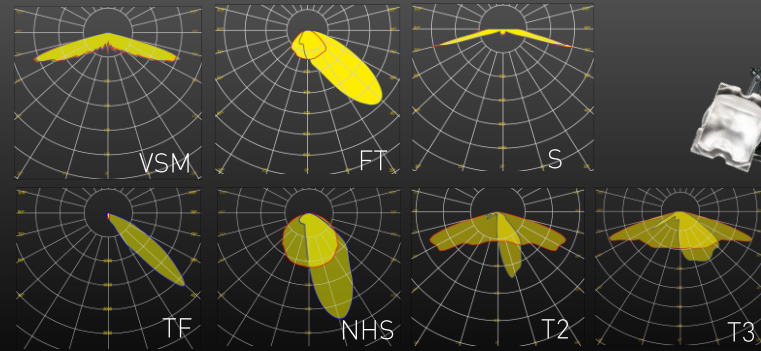
Optics: -VSM, -CY, -WWW, STRADA-C, STRADA-S or other >90deg optics, FLORENCE-3R with LED clusters for plants requiring a high DLI



➤ Intra-canopy lighting

Optics: -VSM, STRADA-S, STRADA-FT and other forward throw beams (TF, NHS, T2, T3)

Potential: ZT25/ZT45 or WAS beams as an additional light installed in corridors for illumination of bottom parts of plants



IP High Bay & Linear lenses

Easier and cheaper solutions with up to IP67 for horticultural lighting

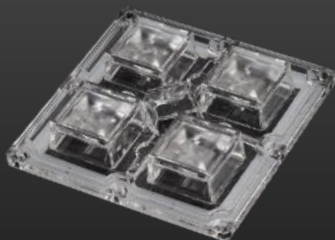
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HB-IP-2X6-RS
HB-IP-2X6-M
HB-IP-2X6-W
HB-IP-2X6-WW
HB-IP-2X6-O

Up to 5050 size
HP

HB-2X2MX



HB-2X2MX-M
HB-2X2MX-W
HB-2X2MX-WWW

Up to 7070 size
Ultra HP

HB-2X2MXS



HB-2X2MXS-M
HB-2X2MXS-WW
HB-2X2MXS-WWW

Coming 1H2017

Up to 7070 size
Ultra HP

STELLA



STELLA-HB
STELLA-HB-WWW

Up to 30mm LES
COB

FLORENCE-3R-IP



FLORENCE-3R-IP-Z90
FLORENCE-3R-IP-Z60
FLORENCE-3R-IP-O

PMMA upon request

3x11 mid power modules

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Horticultural lighting & chemicals

PC vs PMMA materials

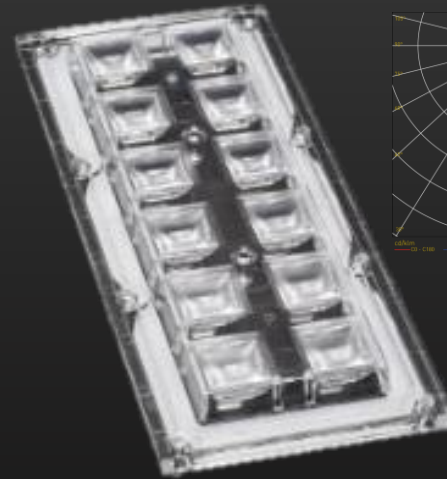
- In general PMMA is more resistant than PC to chemicals like ammonia that is a widely used fertilizer in horticulture
- General chemical behavior of PC:
 - » The chemical resistance of Makrolon® depends on the concentration of the substance, the temperature, the contact time and the internal tension level of the polycarbonate sheet due to fabrication etc.
- Check chemicals resistance from [LEDiL Installation Guide](#)
- We strongly recommend that every customer fully tests and takes the necessary measures to ensure a complete compatibility of the chemical used with one's particular product, LEDs and other components.



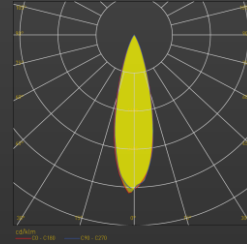
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Ingress protected and efficient

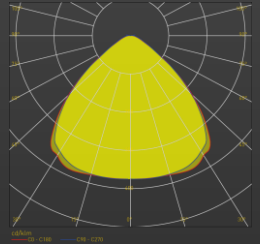
- Range of standard 2X6 modules compatible with high power LEDs
- Easy to achieve IP67 rated luminaire
- Full range of beam angles always optimizes your PPFD for different installation heights



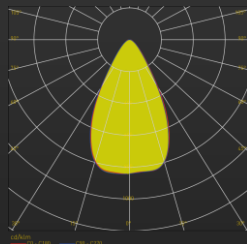
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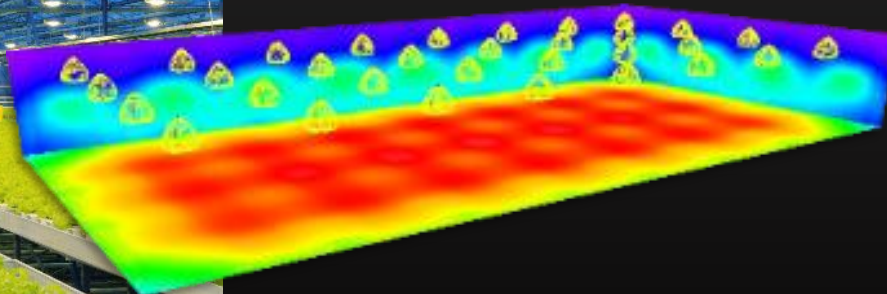
HB-IP-2X6-WWW



HB-IP-2X6-W



STRADA-IP-2X6-VSM



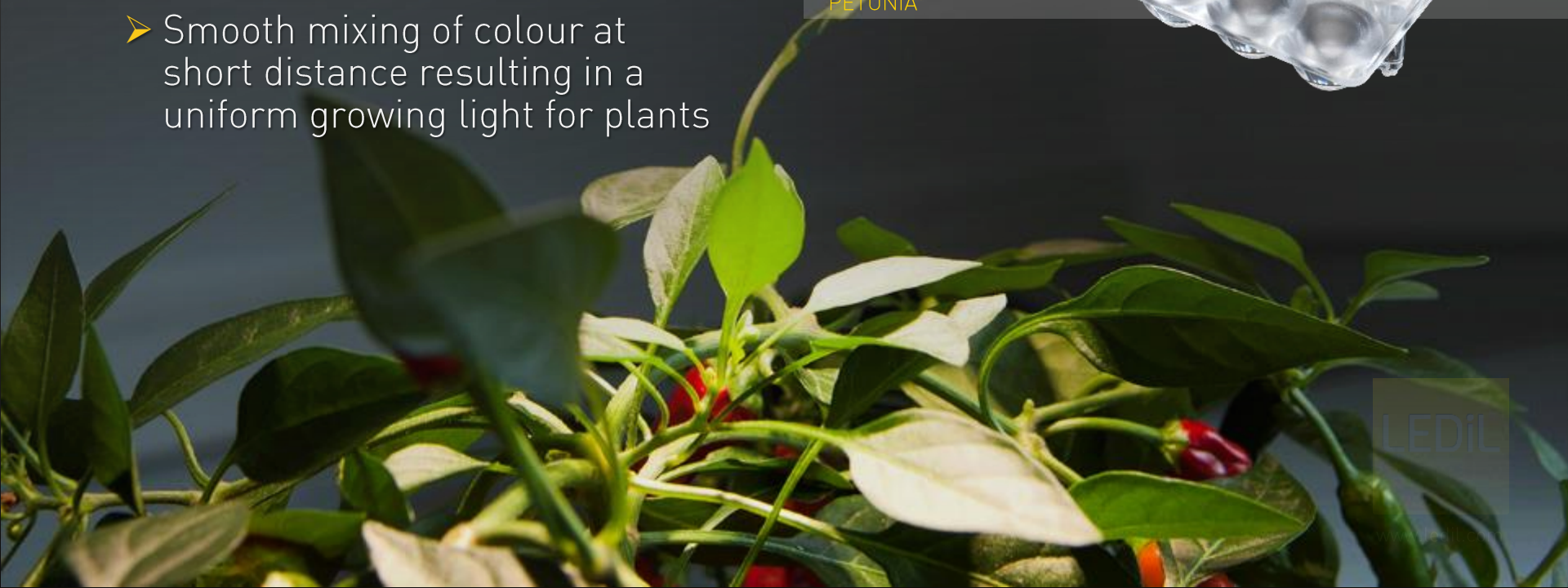
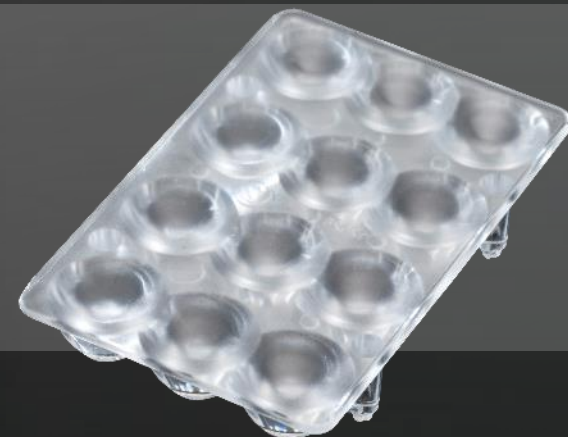
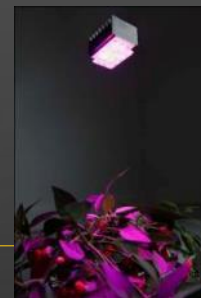
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Compact with good mixing

- Linear luminaires and consumer products
- Compact size (29.5 x 46.5 mm)
- Optimized for Oslon SSL horticultural LEDs
- Smooth mixing of colour at short distance resulting in a uniform growing light for plants

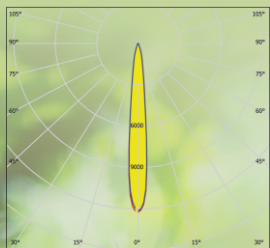
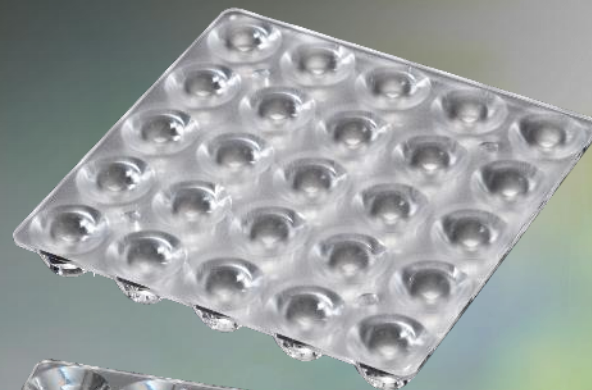
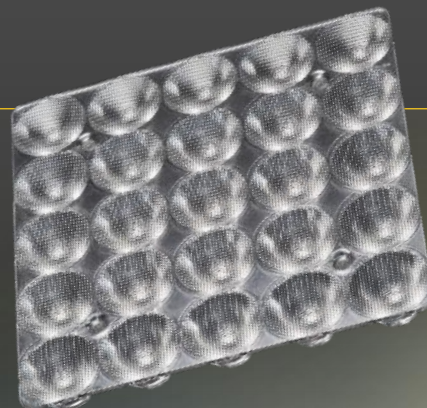


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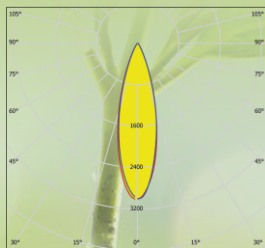
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High density array

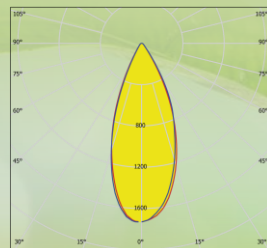
- 25 High-Power LEDs in a tight array
- High output module to maximize PPFD
- 3 different beam solutions to optimize installation height (S-14°, M-28° and W-42°)
- Dimensions: 74.9 x 74.9 x 9.4 mm



VIRPI-S



VIRPI-M



VIRPI-W

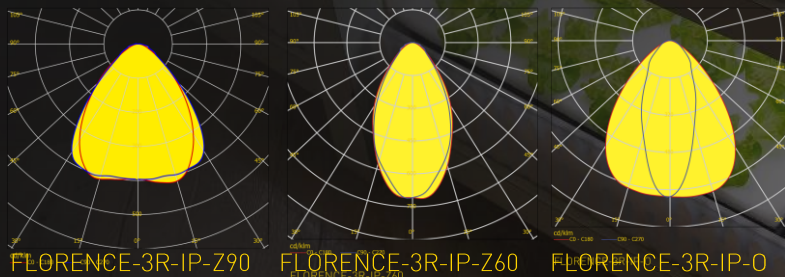
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FLORENCE-3R-IP

33-up lens array for highly efficient mid-power LEDs

- Up to IP67 PC lens with an integrated silicone gasket
- LEDiL's proprietary color mixing surface helps to achieve uniform spectral and PPFD distribution
- 90°, 60° and oval beams
- Compatible with flat-package mid-power LEDs (primary) or High power LEDs such as Oslon SSL series. Can be used with single LEDs or clusters



PMMA variants soon available



Reference design

HPS top-light replacement with Cree LEDs and LEDiL's IP-2X6 family

- Modular design employing 4 engines
- Designed to match PPFD of 1 000 W DE HPS system at half power



LEDs (Count)	144x XP-G3, 4 000 K, CRI 70 48x XP-E Photo Red
PPFD Average	320 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ @ 4.9 ft
PPF/W	1.82 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{J}^{-1}$
Power	553 W
Dimensions (LWH)	63 x 38 x 8 cm
Weight	12.2 kg

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Reference design

Simulated results at manufacturer recommended height

	Reference Design	Gavita 1000W HPS
Height (m)	1.5	1
PPFD Max	390	394
PPFD Min	182	184
PPFD Avg	320	303
PPFD Uniformity (min/max)	0.47	0.47
PPF / W	1.82	1.72
Power (W)	553	1064

Target was to match the HPS for relative amount of orange while increasing blue & green content

Reference design met the goals:

- Matching PPFD min/max
- Matching PPFD uniformity
- Reducing power consumption vs 1000W HPS
- No IR to heat up plants

