

**2017 SOLID-STATE LIGHTING TECHNOLOGY R&D WORKSHOP**  
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Panel | Technology Tradeoffs with LED Lighting  
**- Spectrum -**

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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Reflected Spectrum of Objects
- Light Source Spectrum
  - Daylight, fire
  - Vacuum
  - Solid State (LED)
- Daylight data
- Summary
- Demo



The Recording and Playback of Light

- Founded 2007 – Silicon Valley, CA
- Purpose – Replicate any spectral power distribution
  - Products and services to create and playback light
- Privately owned
- Current products:
  - Light Replicator (16 color light player)
  - Octa (8 color light player)
  - LumenScripts (content)
    - Recordings, created, composed digital data

# Target Applications

- Healthcare – faster healing, wake/sleep improvement
- Retail – make products more appealing
- Workplace – increase productivity, wellbeing
- Lighting company – designer spectrum, focus group evaluations
- Horticulture – plant growth
- Aquariums – fish, coral
- Sensors (cameras) – firmware development
- Color quality – consistency, metrics, studies
- Movie, TV – outdoor scene and filter replication

# SSL Ecosystem



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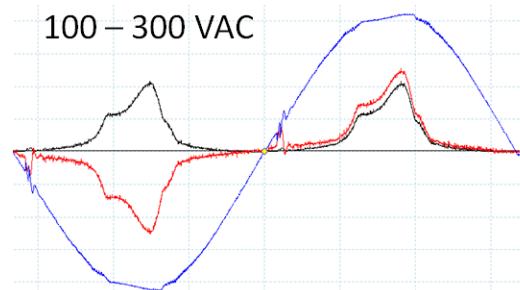
Electrical watts

Voltage

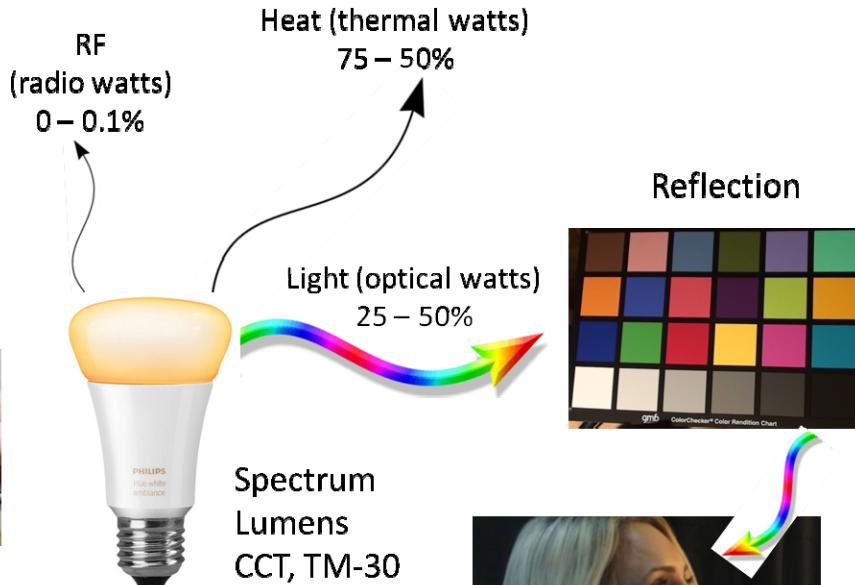
Current

Time

PF, THD



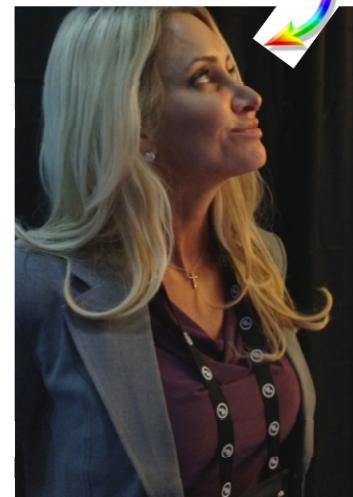
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Reflection



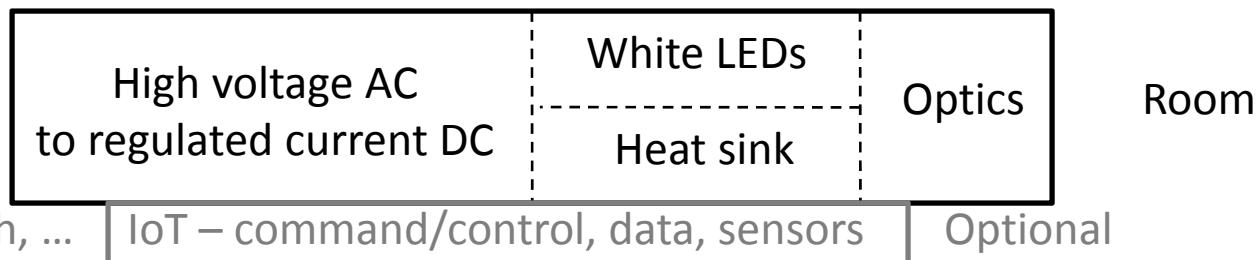
Spectrum  
Lumens  
CCT, TM-30  
Time  
Angle  
Space  
Flicker





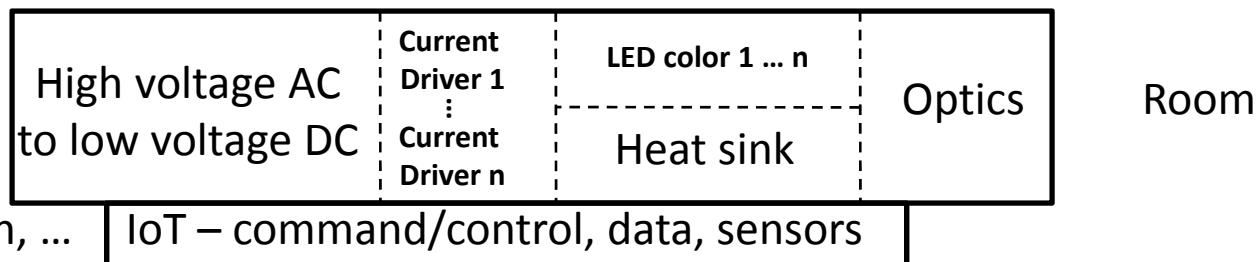
# Fixed color and tunable lamp/luminaires

Electrical power



Electrical power

WIFI, Bluetooth, ...

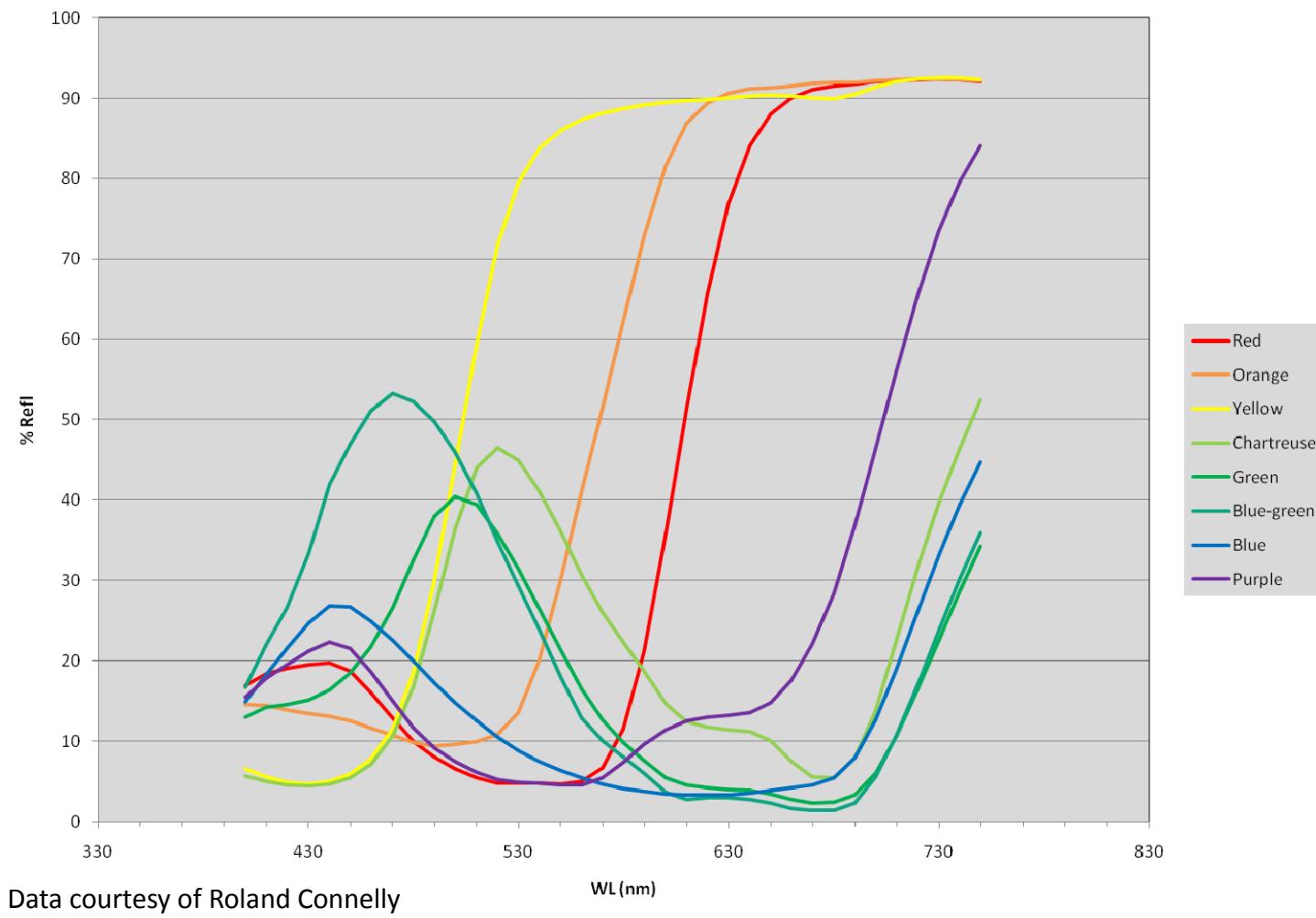


At the top of the LED **value** pyramid  
is the ability to  
control the **spectrum**  
and the **source size**  
digitally and efficiently.

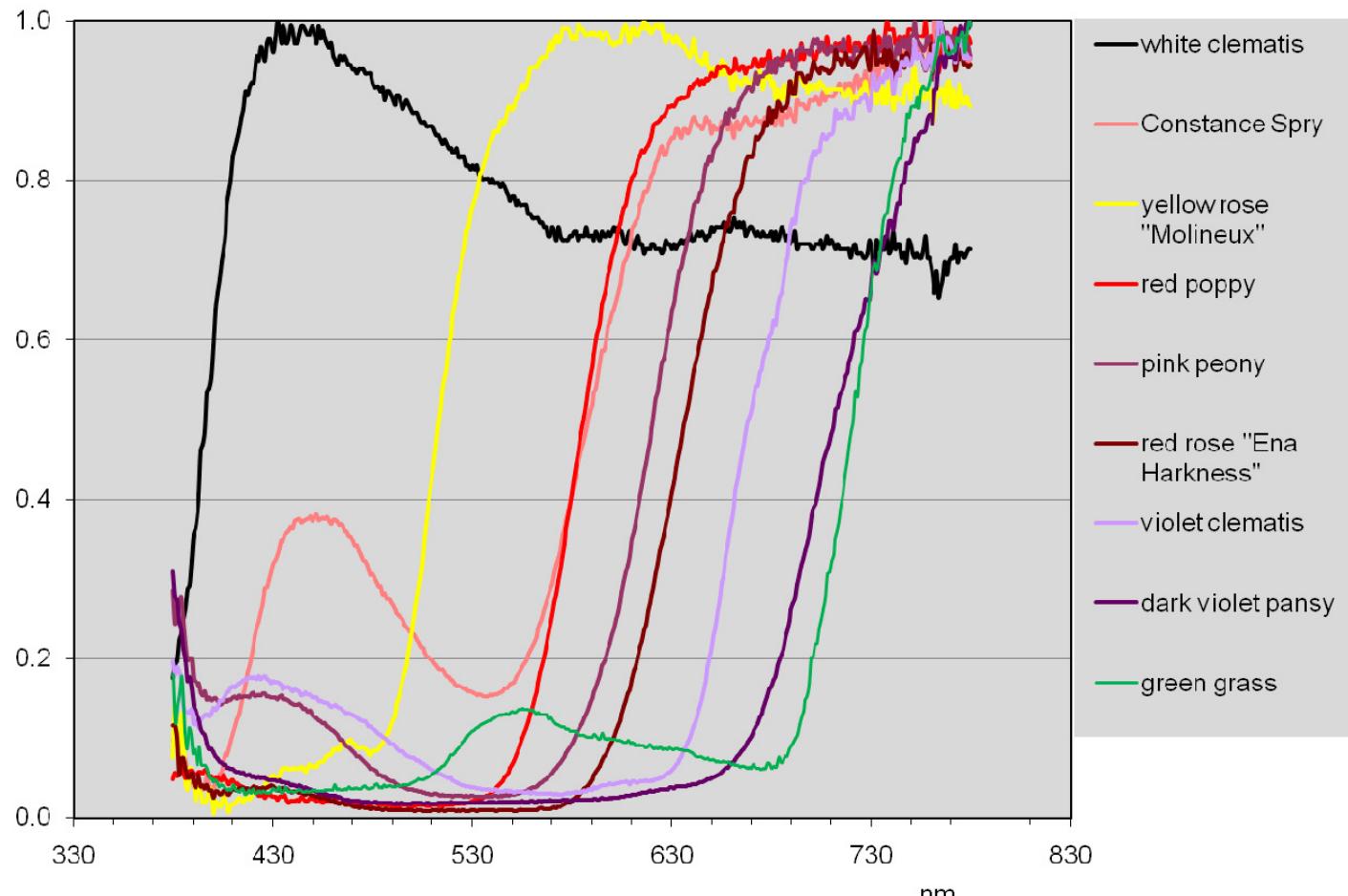
SPD is the definitive description  
of the CCT and chromaticity (color)  
properties of a light source  
and through reflection the  
rendering of an object.

# Spectral Characteristics of Illuminated Objects

### Textile Reflectance Data

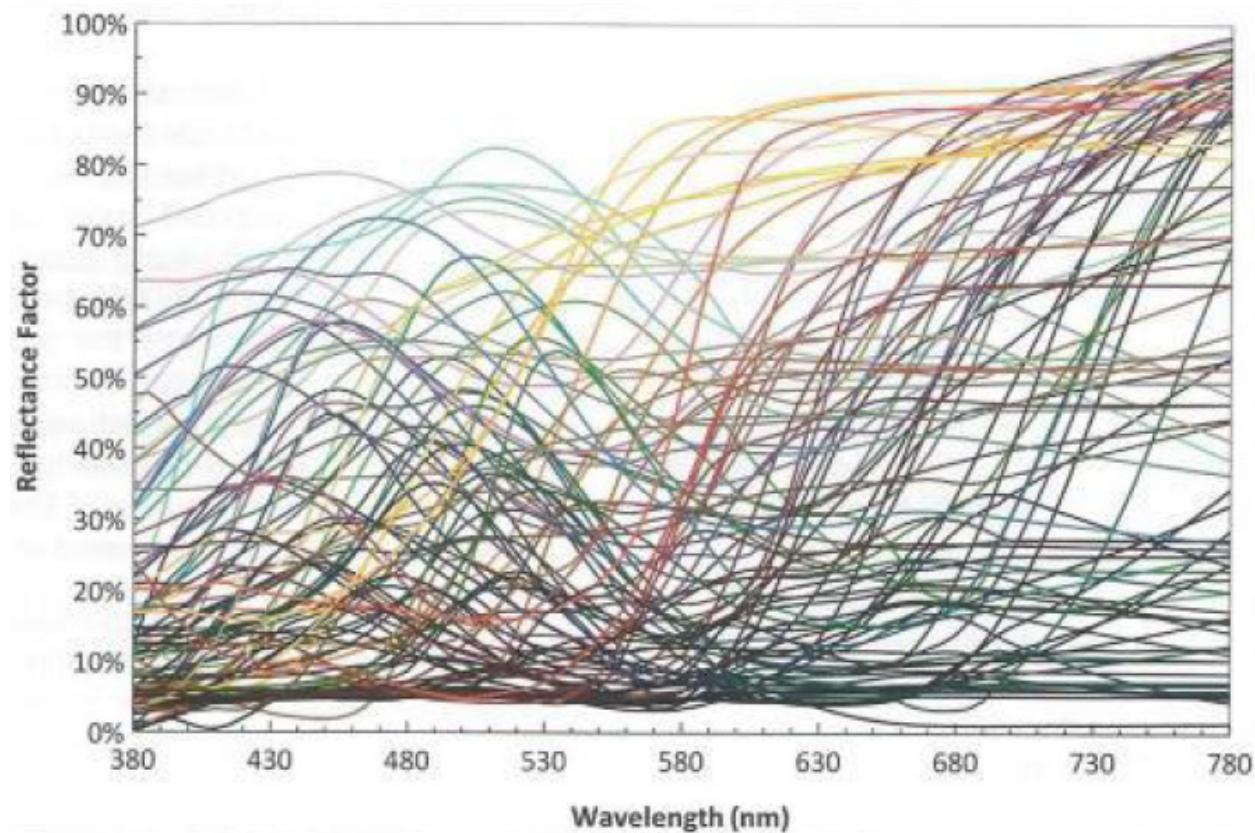


### Remission of flowers



Data courtesy of Dieter Lang, LEDVANCE, Germany

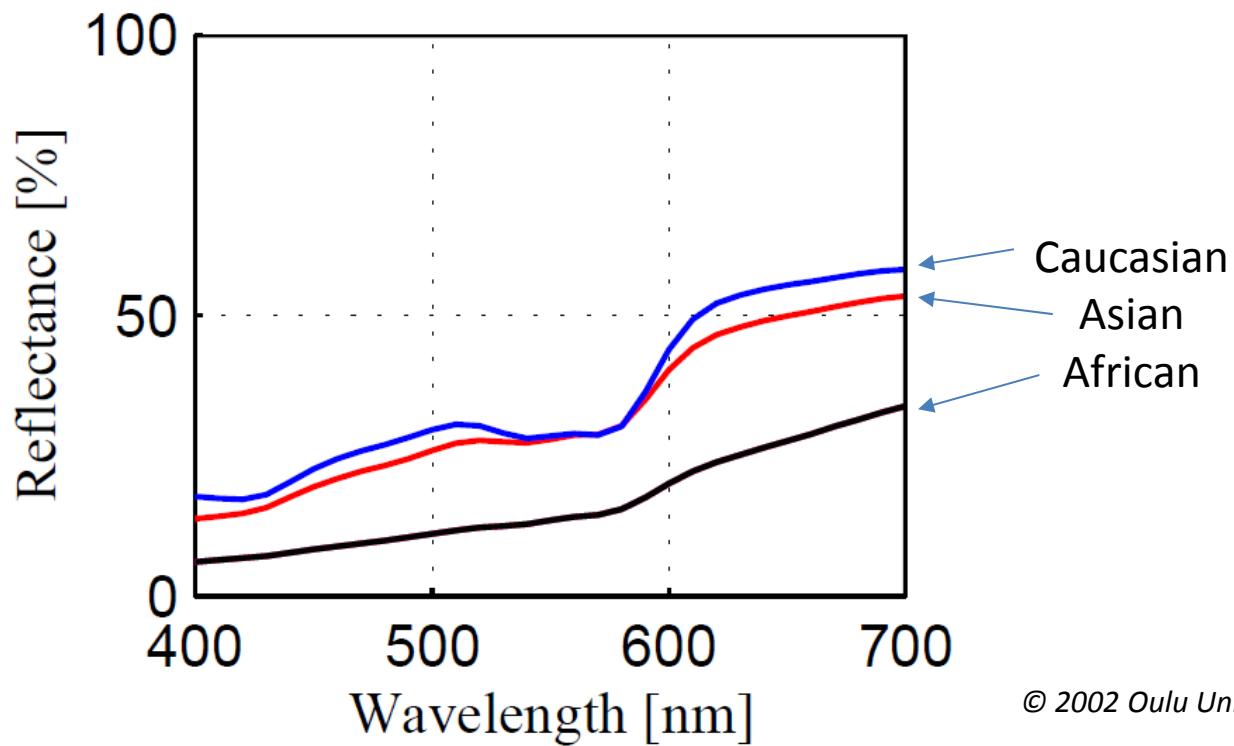
# TM-30 colors - 99



Courtesy of Michael Royer, PNNL

# Reflectance Spectra of Skin

half is between 600nm – 700nm



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From: "Face colour under varying illumination", Chapter. 4; <http://herkules.oulu.fi/isbn9514267885/html/i1030756.html>

# Light Source Spectrum

# Light Source Spectrum (in the beginning)

- Daylight
- Fire
- **Continuous spectrum**
- Intensity and spectrum **change with time**

# Light Source Spectrum (20<sup>th</sup> century)

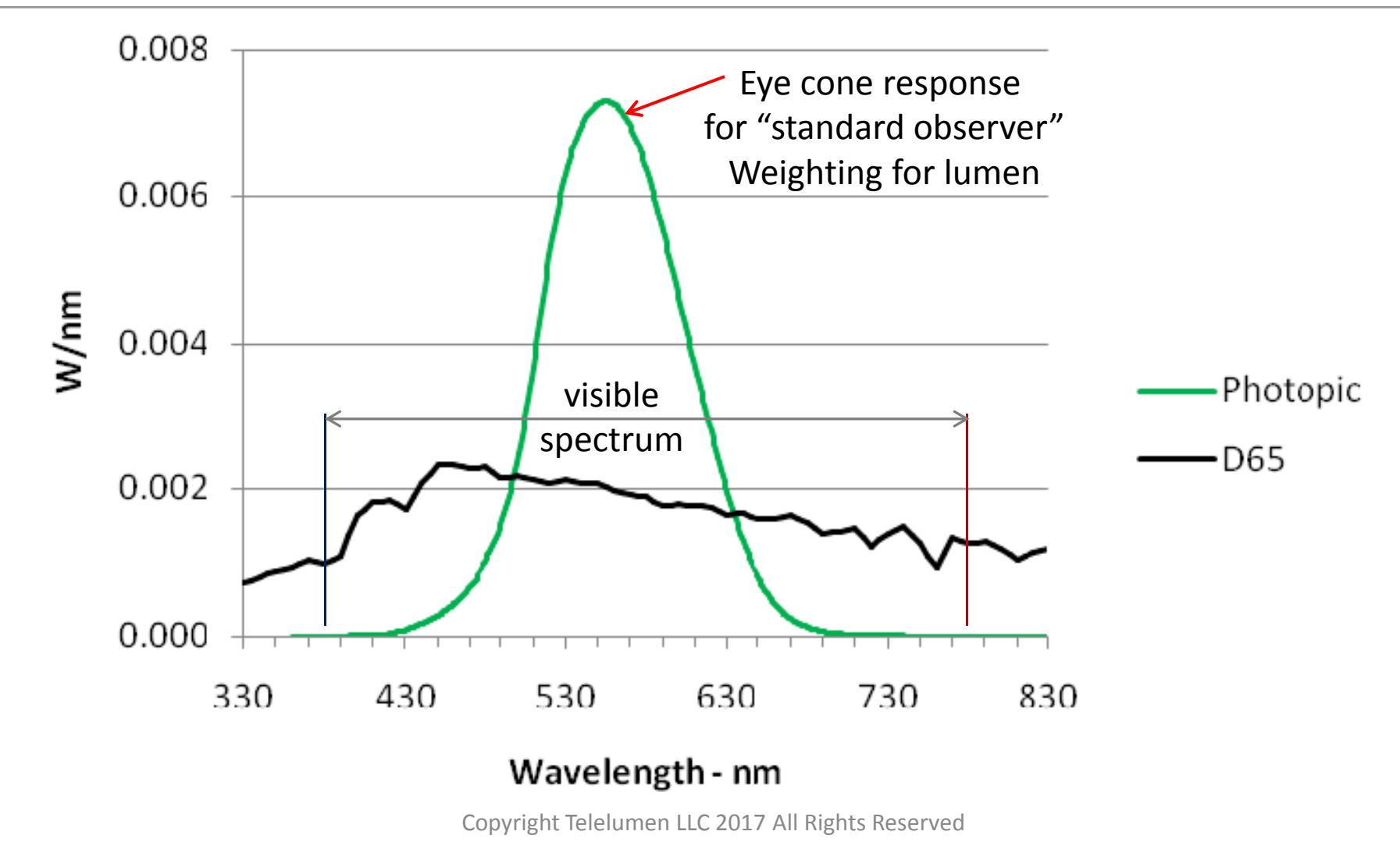
- Vacuum sources
  - Incandescent/Halogen – **continuous spectrum**
  - Fluorescent – discontinuous spectrum
  - Other discharge – discontinuous spectrum
    - Metal Halide (higher CRI/TM-30)
    - HPS, LPS, HGV (low CRI/TM-30)

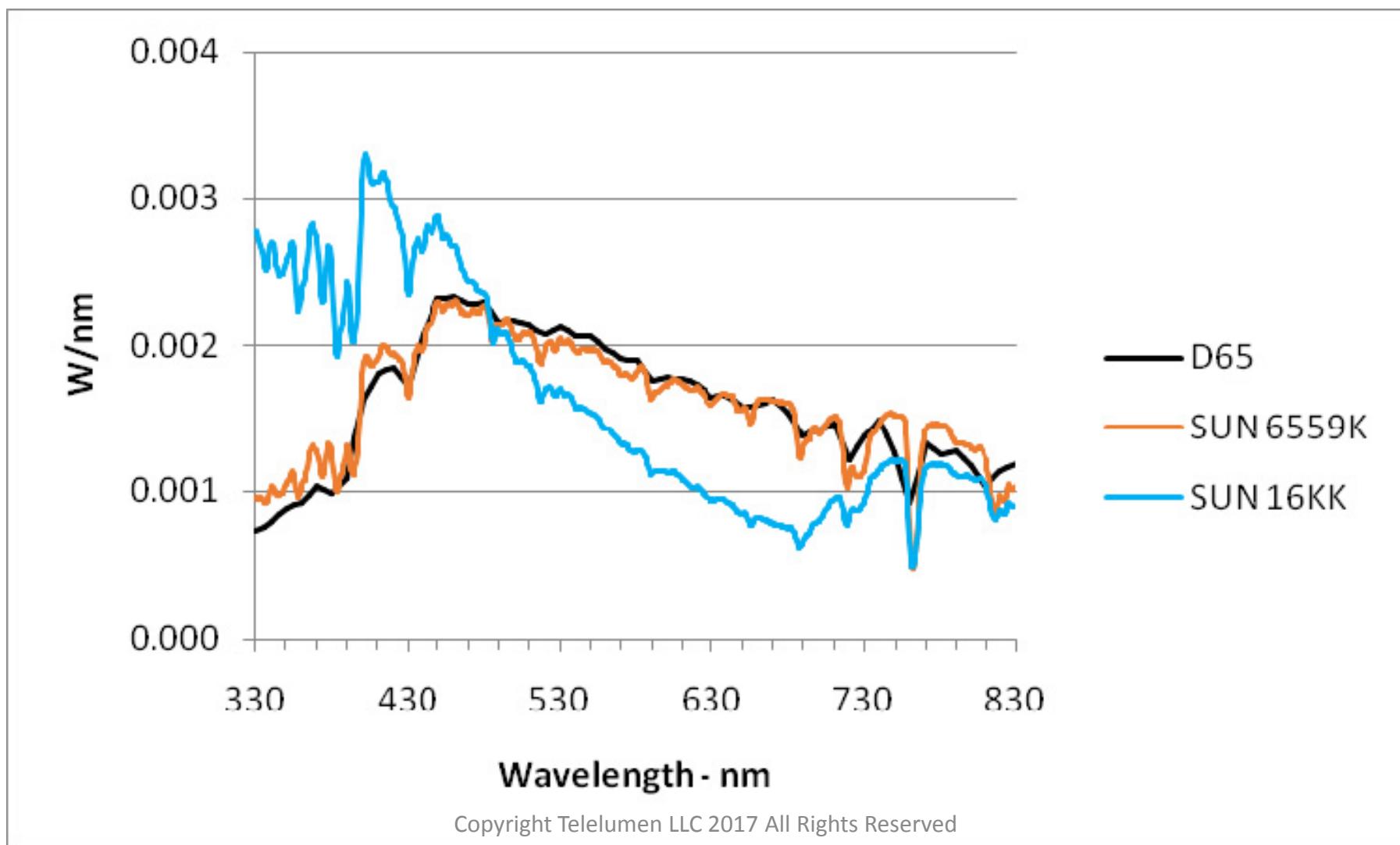
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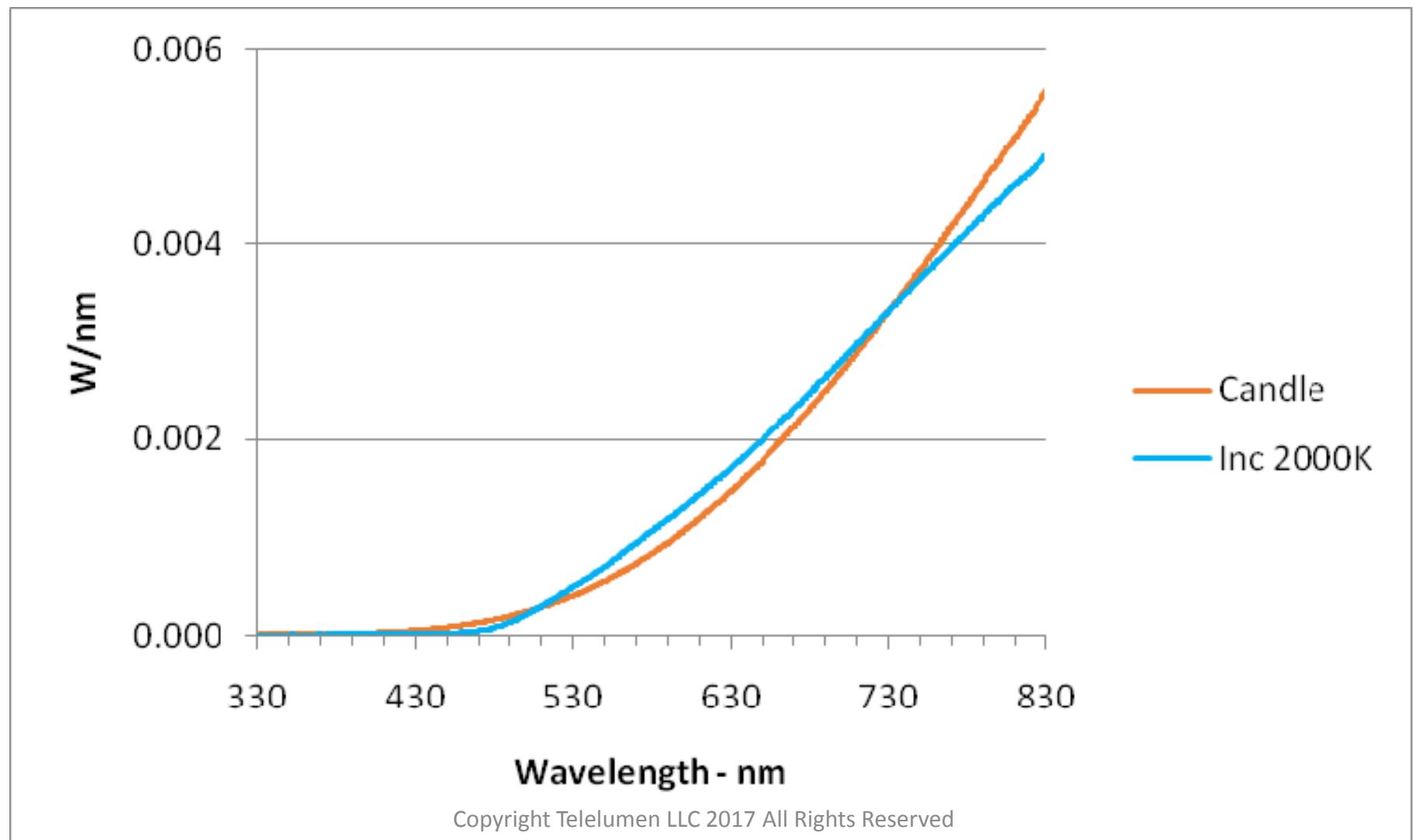
- Solid state sources
  - White LED – continuous but truncated
    - Blue and violet pumps plus phosphor(s)
  - White Laser – continuous but truncated
    - Blue and violet pumps plus phosphor(s)
    - Narrow beam – ex. car headlights
  - Many color LED – continuous and broad
    - 5, 8, 16, 22, 32

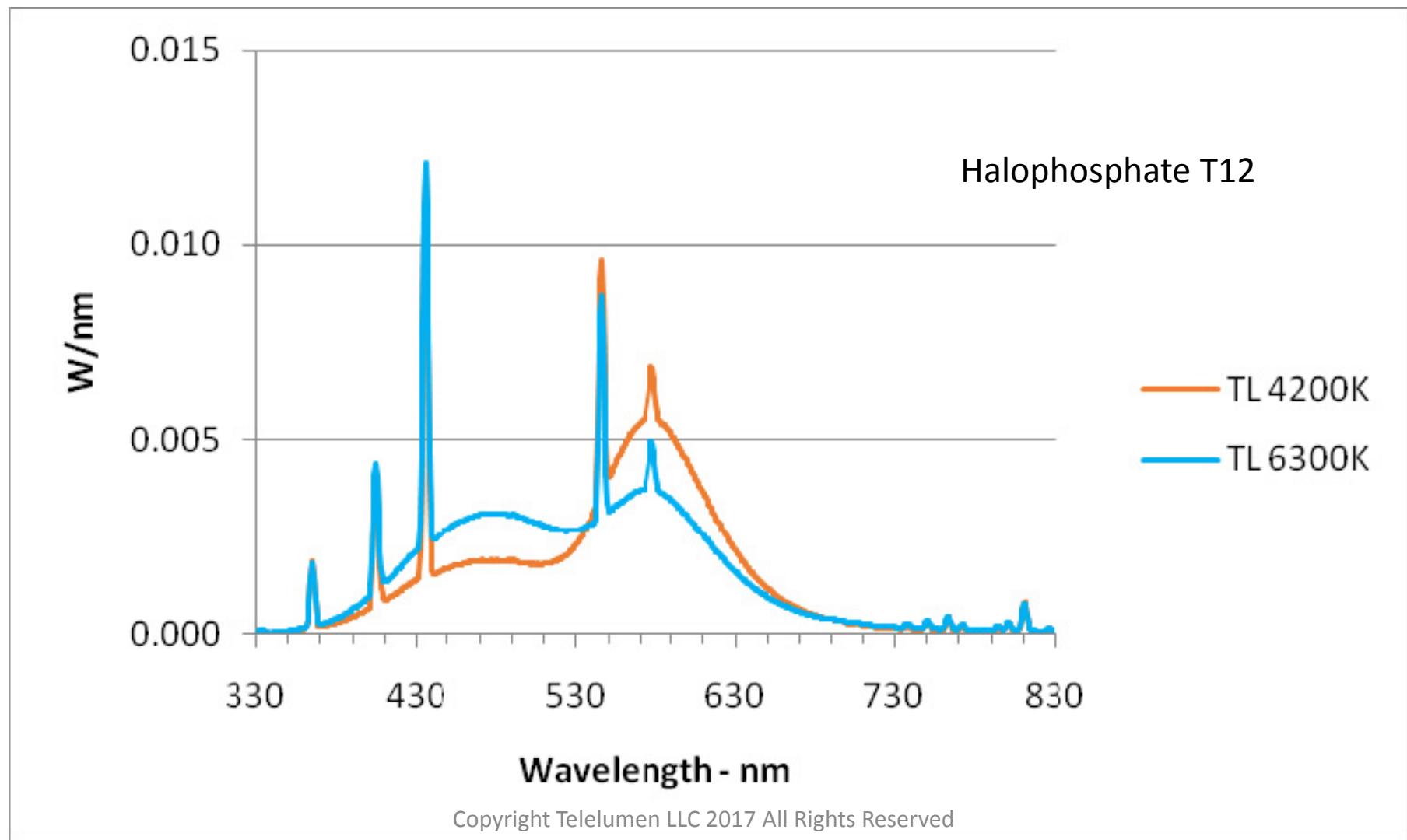
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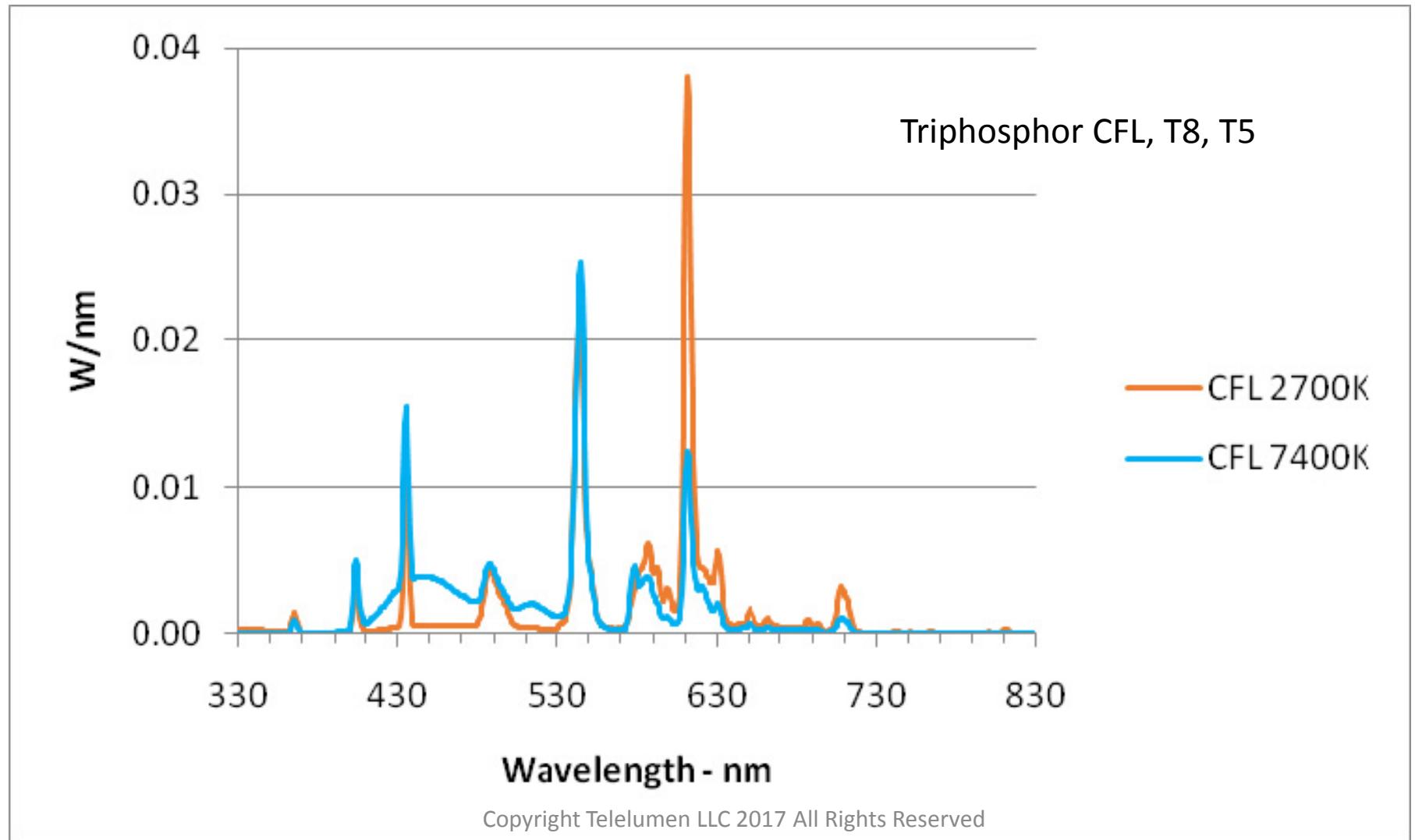
- Efficacy = lumens per electrical watt
- Efficiency = optical watts per electrical watt
- Lumens are a weighted measure of optical watts with a peak at 555nm (green) and falling off toward red and blue.

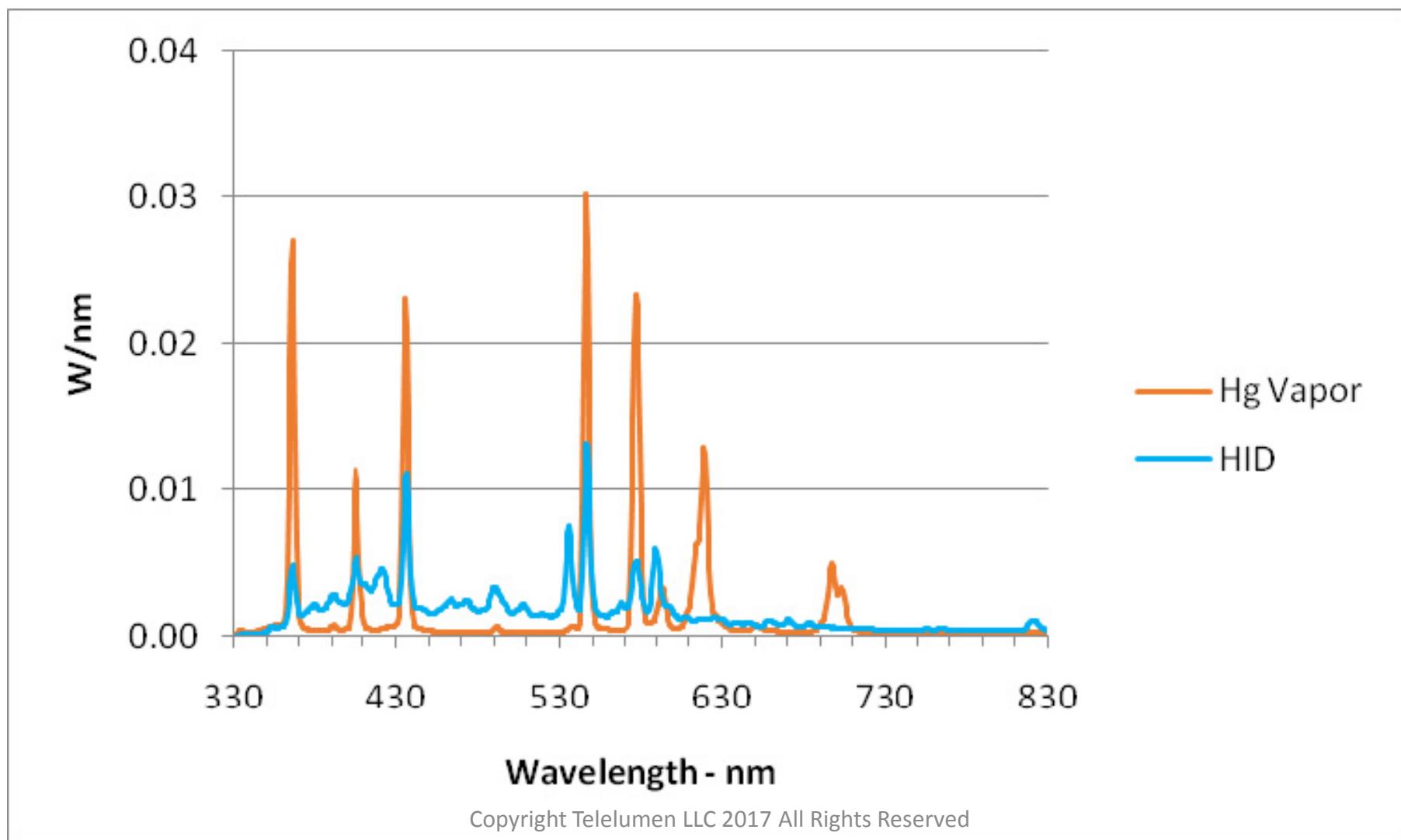


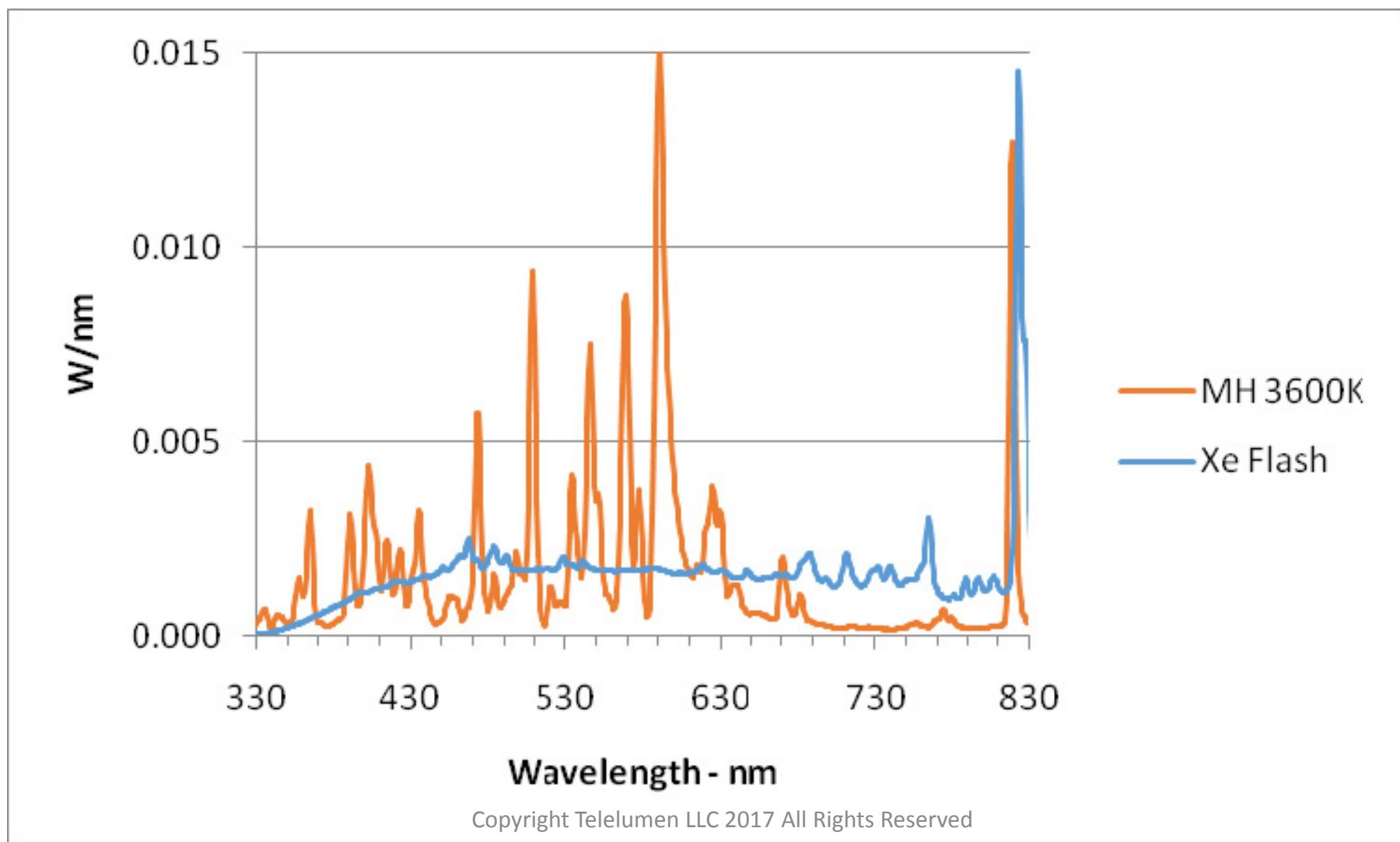


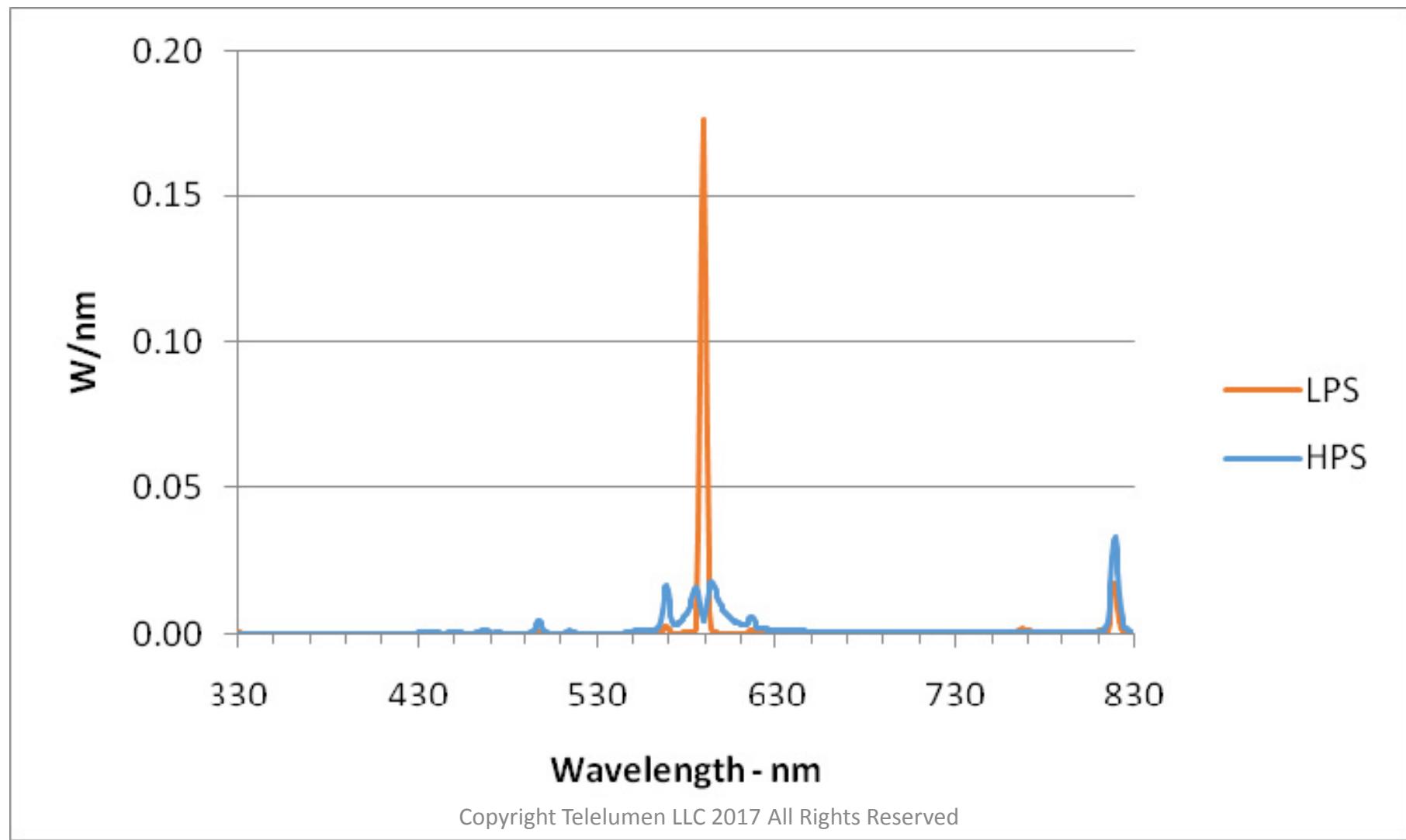


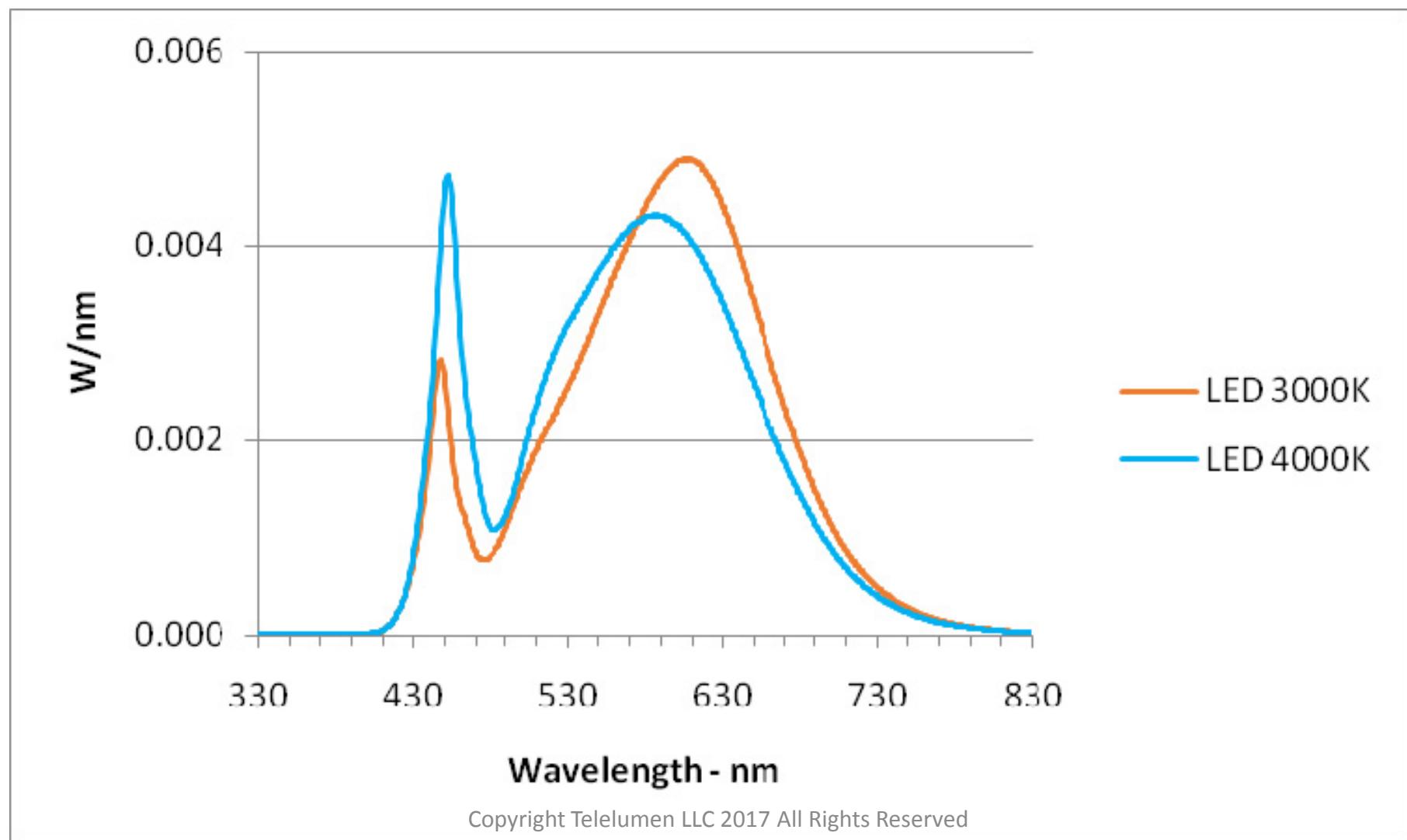


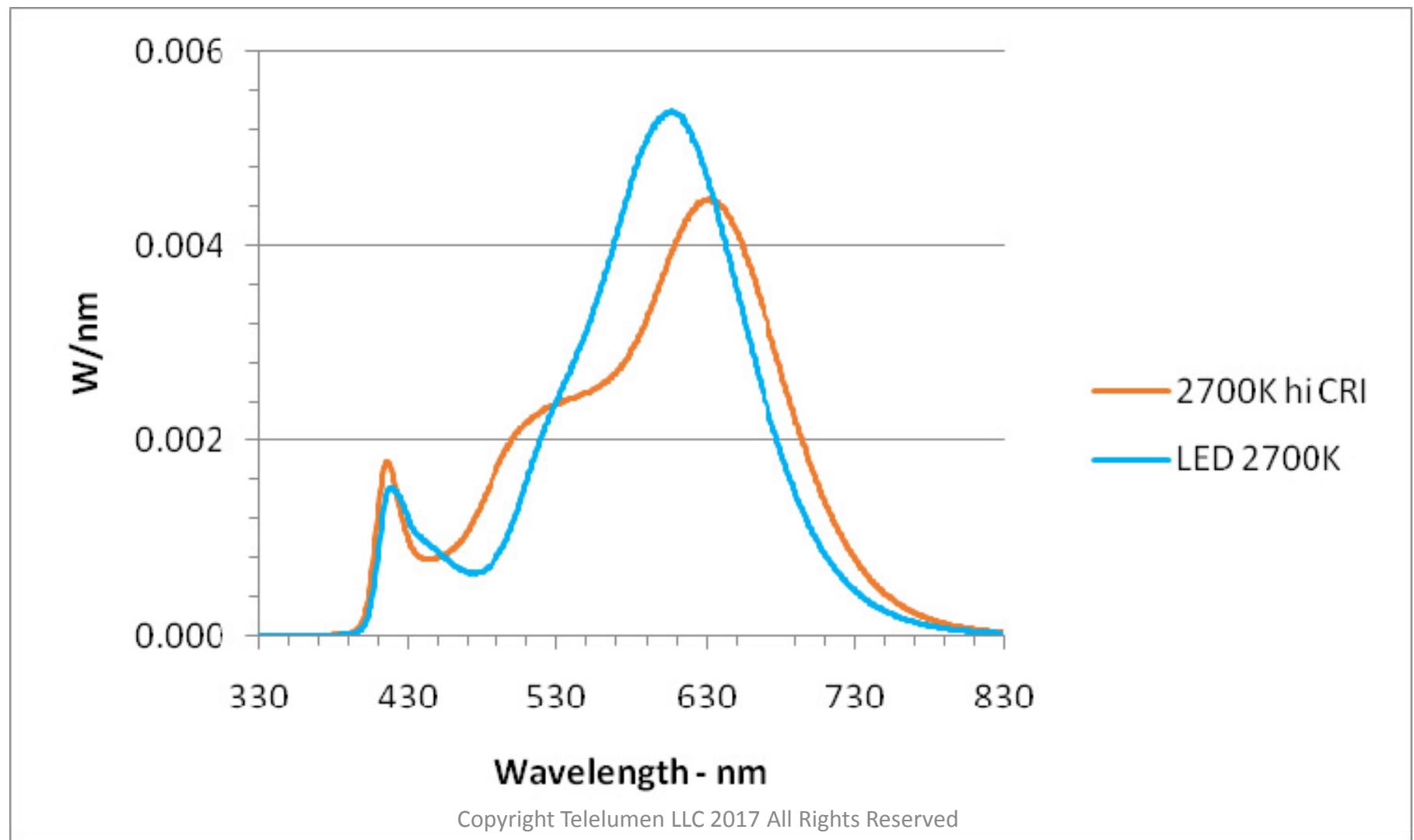


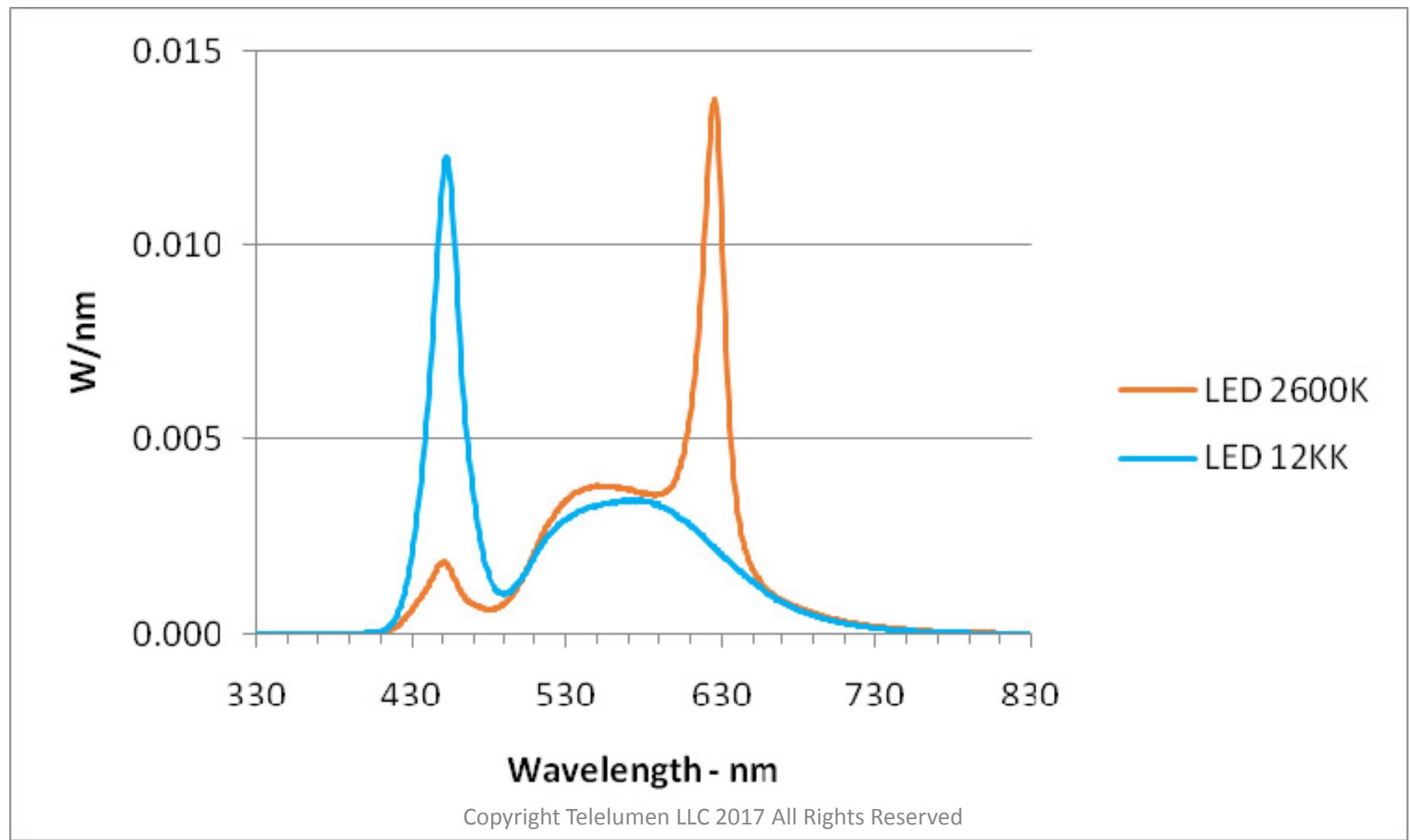


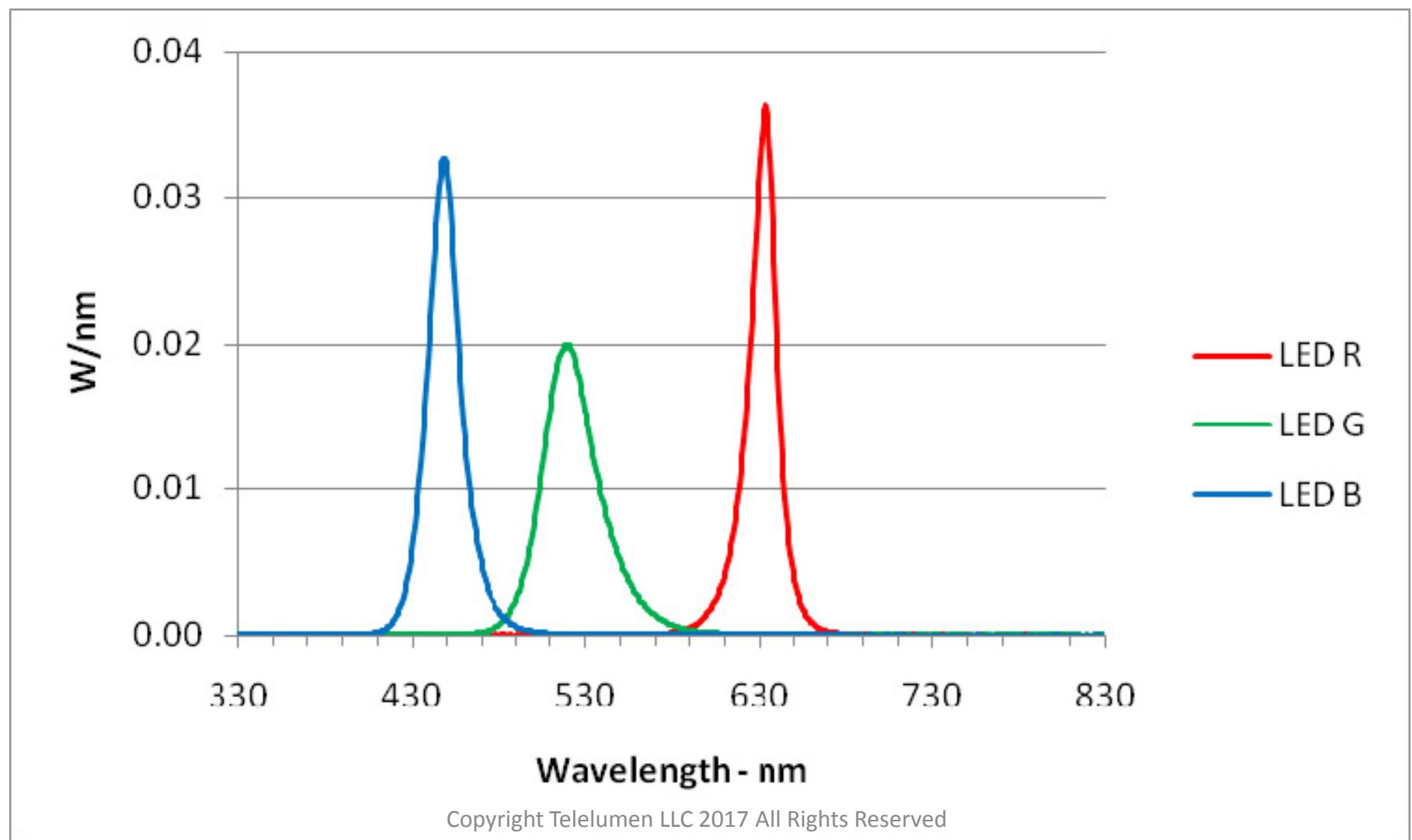




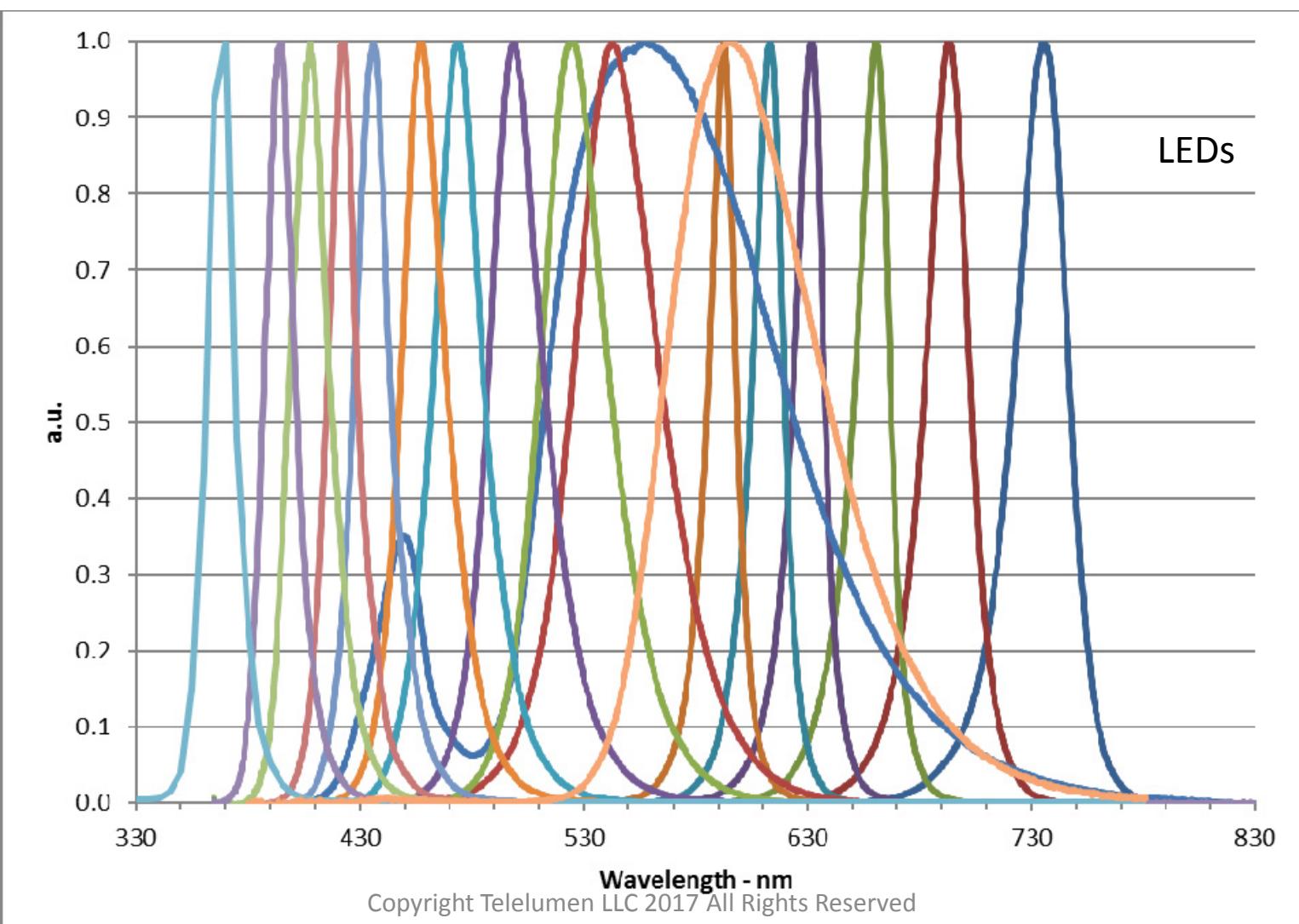


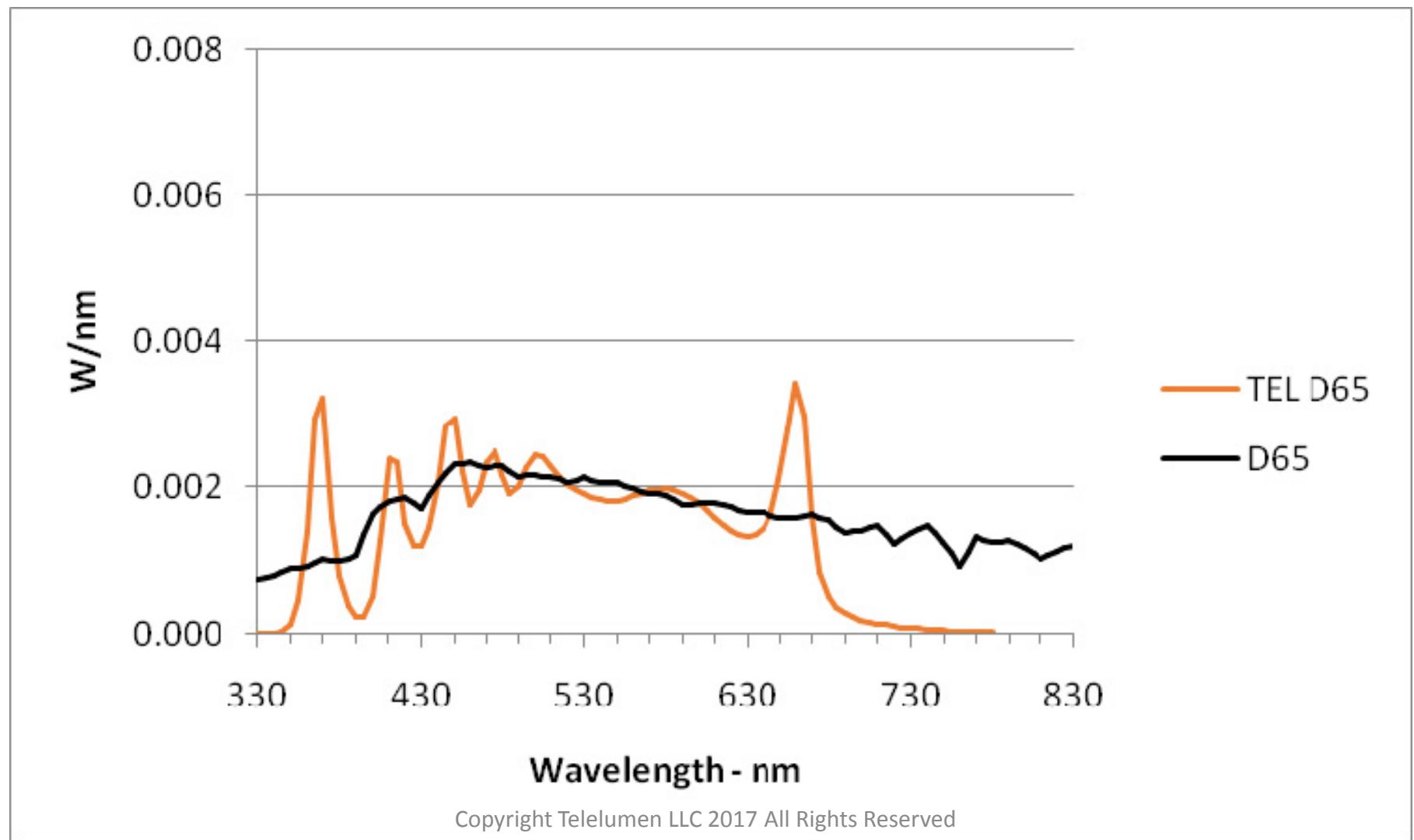


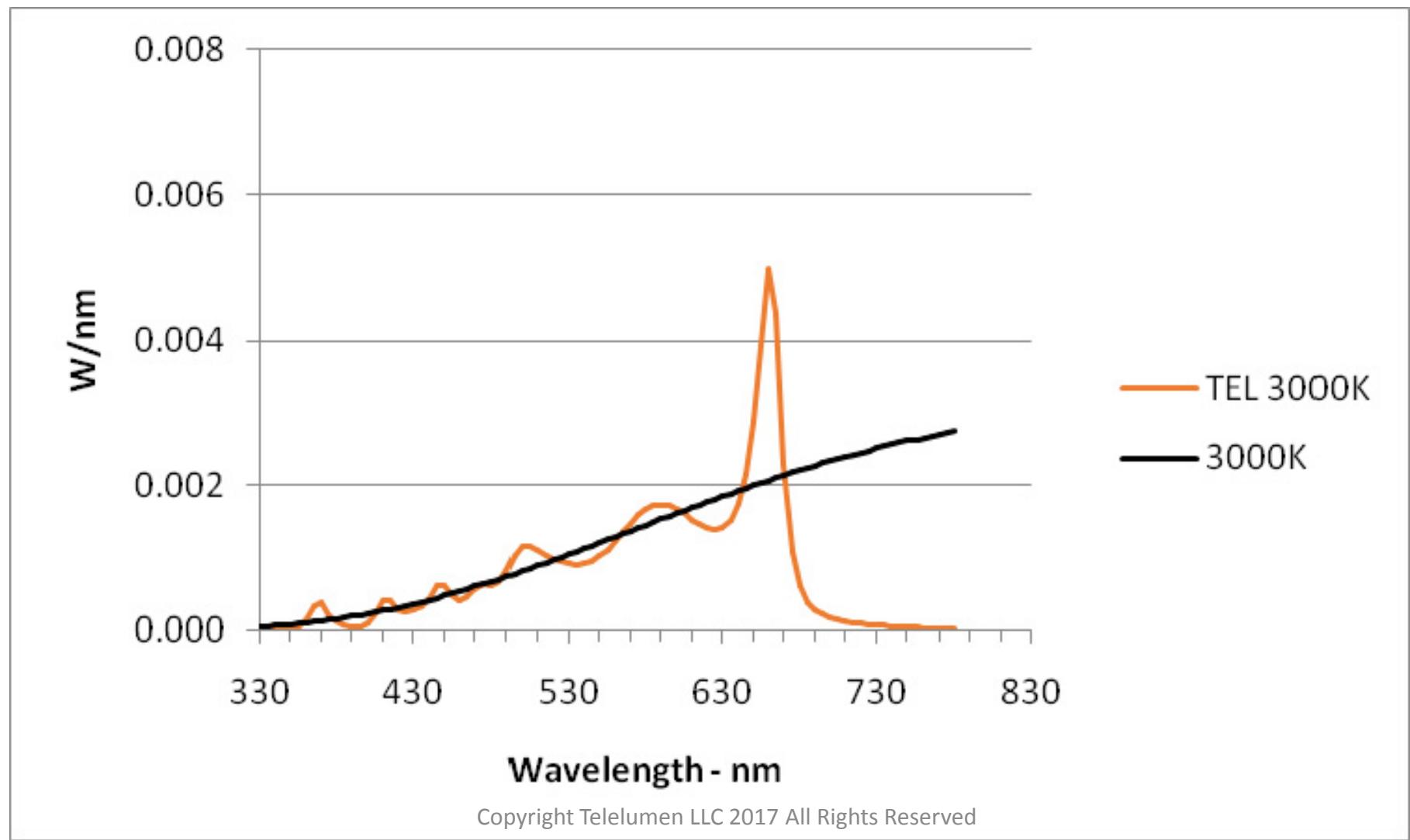




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# Specifying Tunable Systems in General

- SPD for all color channels is required.
- Upper CCT at color quality – ex. 20kK, Rf>90
- Lower CCT at color quality – ex. 1200K, Rf>90
- Color gamut and fluorescence may also be important.

## Going forward - animation

- Tunable systems facilitate changes with time
  - Warm dim, sweep CCT, fire
  - Increase/decrease saturation while holding chromaticity constant
  - Add/subtract fluorescence

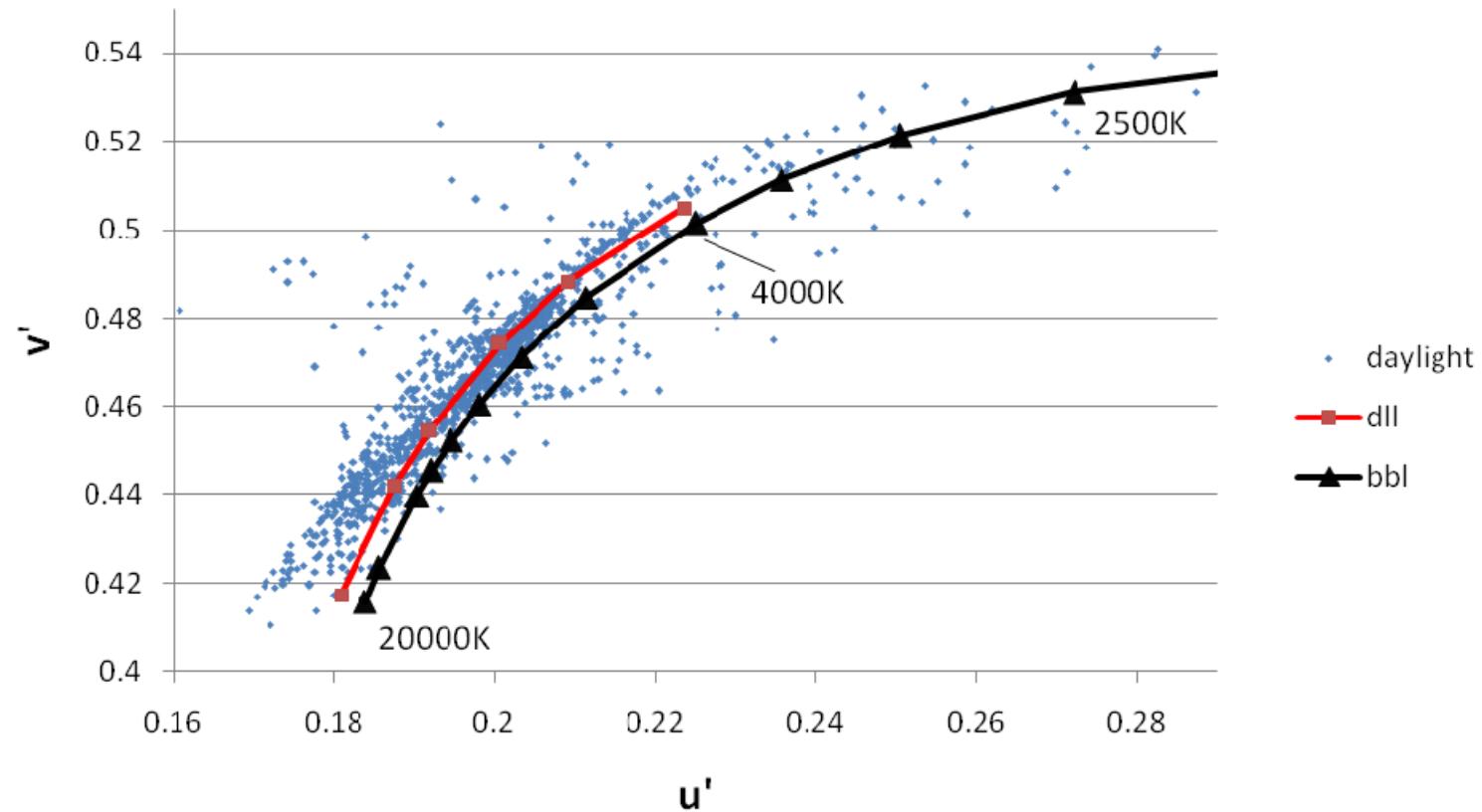
## In general - SPD

- A more continuous spectrum and wider range of wavelengths produce higher color quality light sources. (more \$)
- A less continuous spectrum and truncated range of wavelengths are often more efficient. (less \$)

# Daylight Data

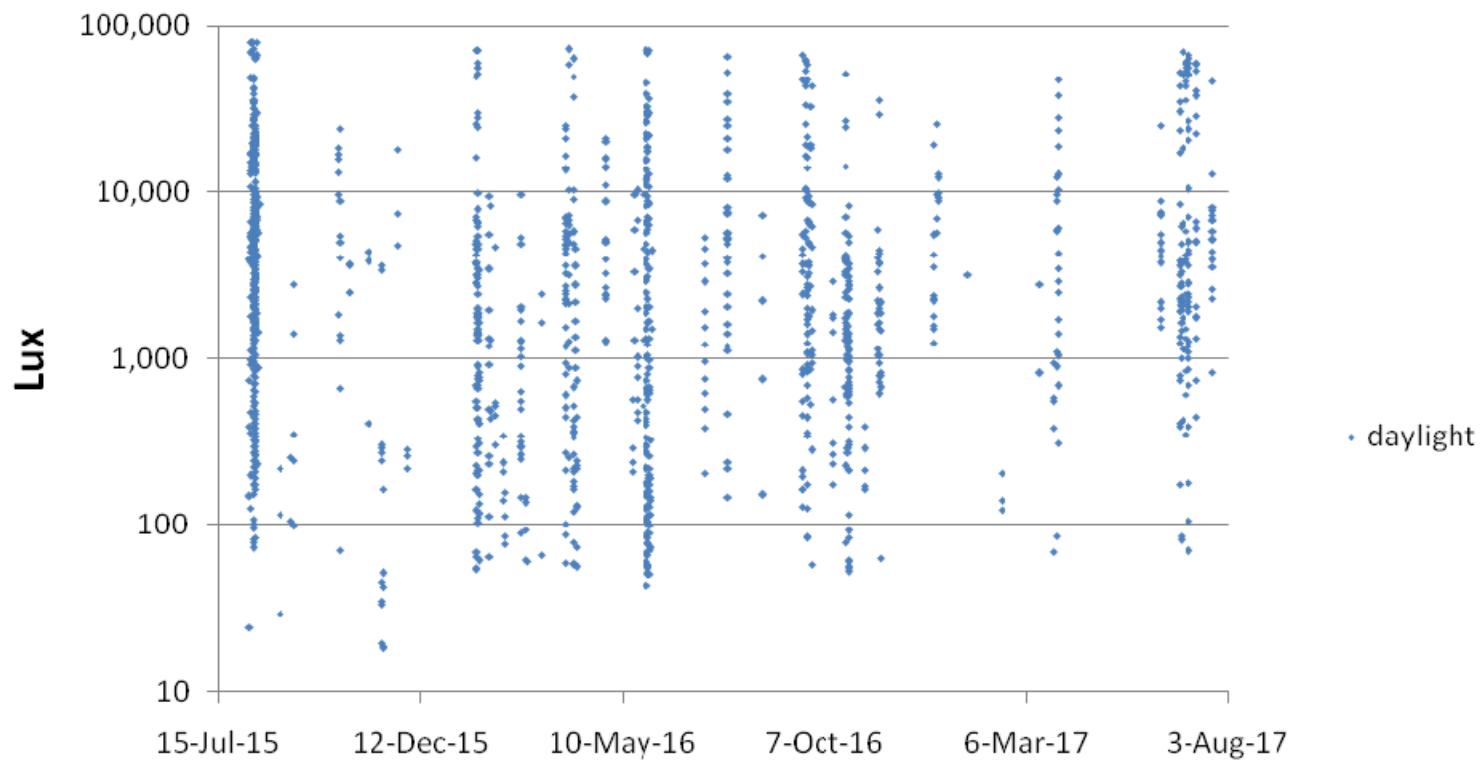
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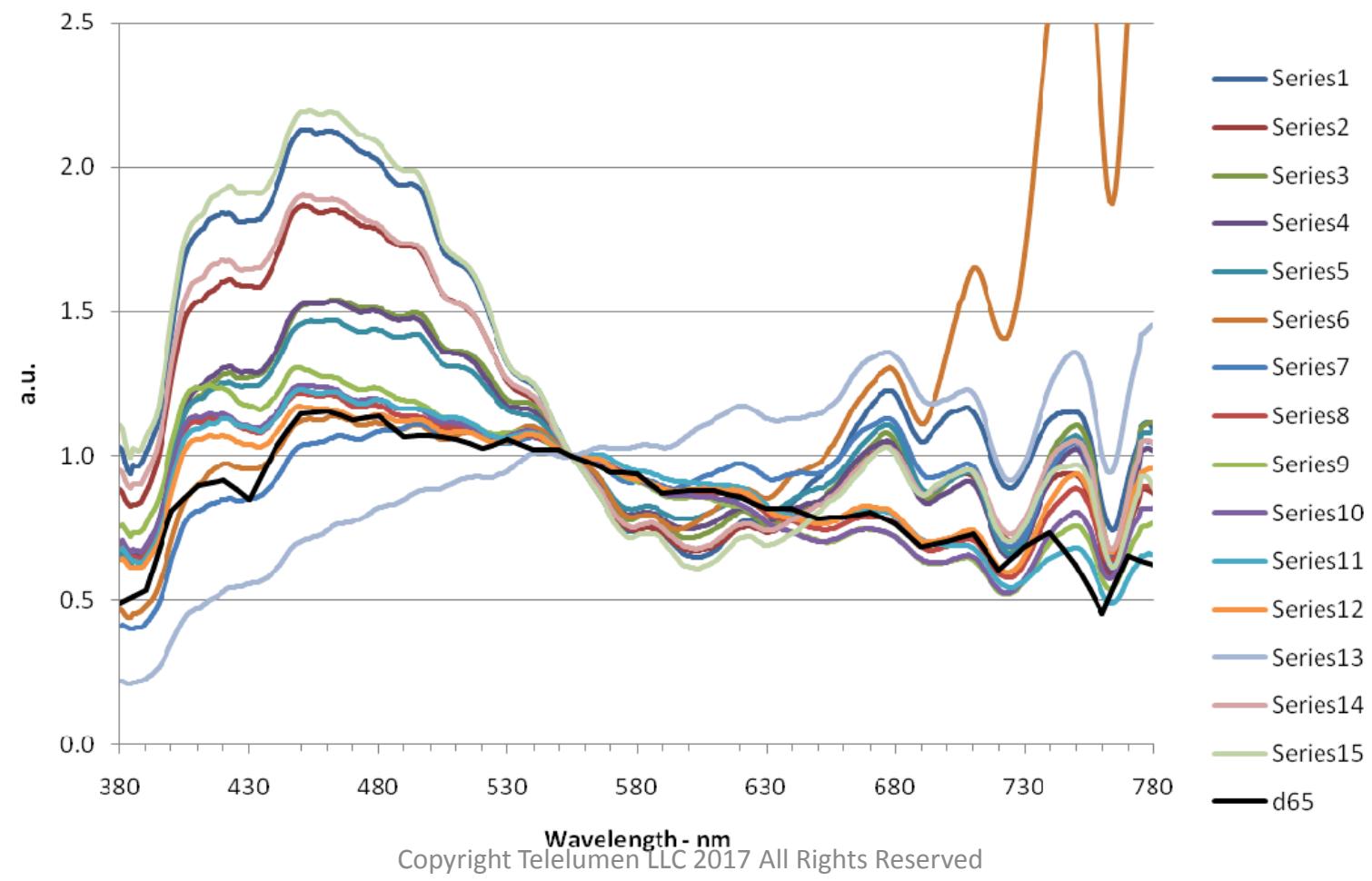
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# Summary and Demo Introduction

- Spectrum is important for fidelity and preference.
- Broader wavelength range and less dropout in the SPD increases color quality and impact.
- Natural light sources have broad variable spectrum.
- Get a copy of the SPD for all sources.



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