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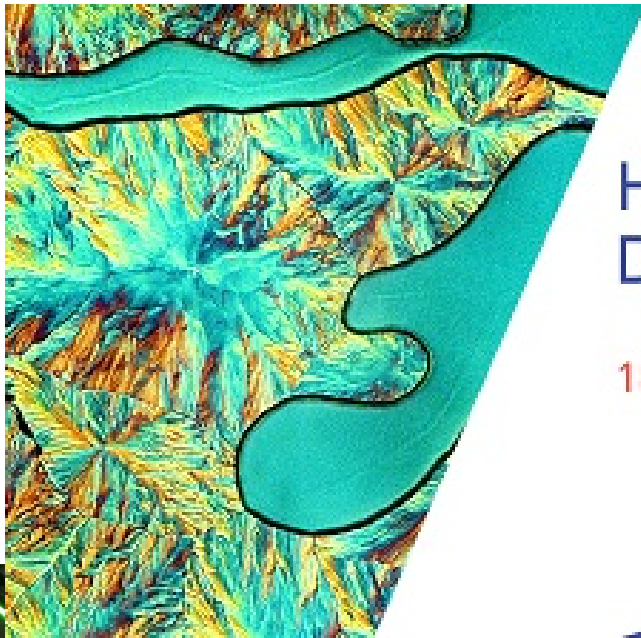


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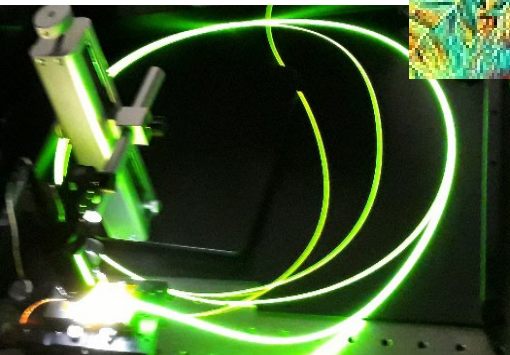
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## HYBRID (M-TYPE) FIBERS FOR DISPERSION MANAGEMENT

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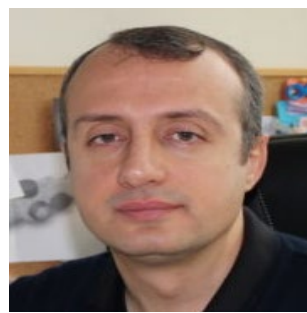
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A/Prof. Alexander Heidt, University of Bern, Switzerland.

**3. Webinar 2: The development of thulium and holmium fiber sources**

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 at 1pm (UK time)/ EDT 7am

Dr. Nikita Simakov, DSTO, Australia.

**4. Webinar 3: Recent development in hollow-core optical fiber**

Date: 14 November, 2019, 8 am Beijing Time

A/Prof. Y Wang, Beijing University of Technology, China.



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### **Webinar 1: Integration of 2-dimensional materials in fiber optics for ultra-short pulse lasers**

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020, 8 pm EDT.

Prof. Kyunghwan Oh, Yonsei University, South Korea.

### **Webinar 2: Novel Optical Materials for optical Fibers**

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020, 11 am EDT.

Prof. John Ballato, Clemson University, USA.

### **Webinar 3: Mid-Infrared Supercontinuum Generation in Optical Fibers**

Date: 20 May 2020, 10 am EDT.

Dr. Christian Petersen, Technical University of Denmark, Fotonik.

### **Webinar 4: Hybrid (M-type) fibers for dispersion management**

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Dr. Svetlana Aleshkina, Fiber Optics Research Center, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia.

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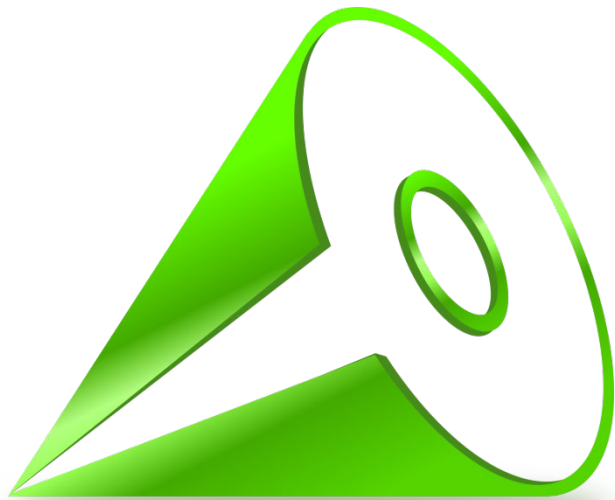
## Hybrid (M-type) fibers for dispersion management

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**Speaker's Short Bio:** Svetlana S. Aleshkina was born in Saransk, Russia, in 1985. She received the B.E. and M.E. degrees in physics from Mordovian State University, Saransk, Russia, in 2006 and 2008, respectively, and the Ph.D. degree in laser physics from Fiber Optics Research Center of the Russian Academy of Science (FORC RAS), Moscow, Russia, in 2012. She is currently Senior Researcher of FORC RAS. Her research activities are connected with development of special passive and active optical fibers for creation of all-fiber laser schemes (master oscillators, high power lasers and amplifiers). Area of expertise: Rare-earth-doped fiber lasers and amplifiers, Special optical fibers with anomalous dispersion in 1  $\mu\text{m}$  spectral range, Large-mode area fibers, High power Yb-doped lasers, Pulsed and Continuous wave lasers at 0.98  $\mu\text{m}$ .





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## Hybrid (M-type) Fibers for Dispersion Management

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# Hybrid (M-type) Fibers for Dispersion Management

- ▶ Basics of hybrid fibers and guiding mechanism
- ▶ Modeling and fabrication of hybrid fibers
- ▶ Applications of hybrid fibers

## Audience:

- ▶ PhD Students
- ▶ Researchers both in academics and industry

## The field of interests:

- ▶ Specialty optical fibers
- ▶ All-fiber lasers and amplifiers
- ▶ Dispersion management in fiber laser schemes

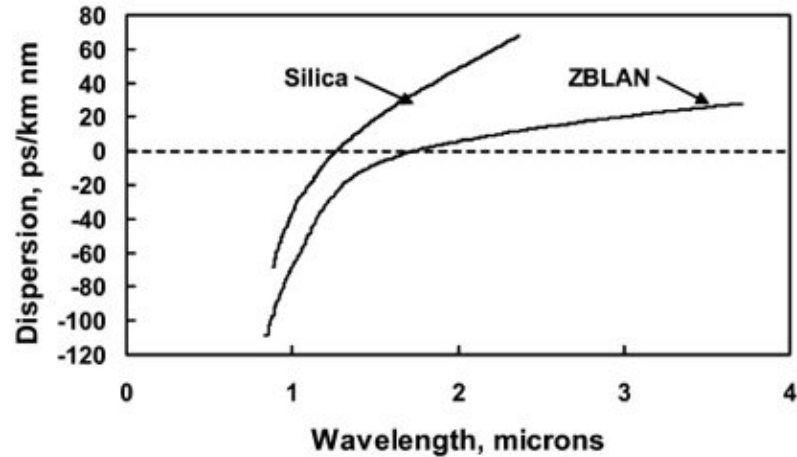
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# 1. Motivation and History of hybrid fiber development

# Motivation

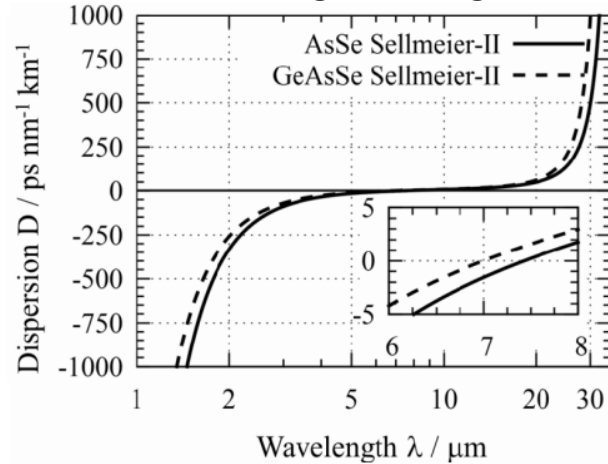
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Silica glass and ZBLAN



F. Gan, "Optical properties of fluoride glasses: a review," *J. Non-Cryst. Solids*, Vol. 184, pp. 9-20 (1995)

Chalcogenide glass

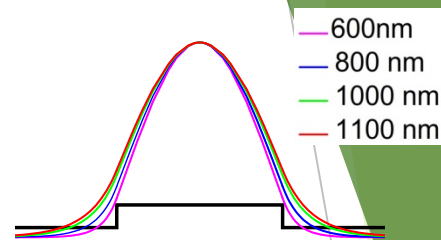
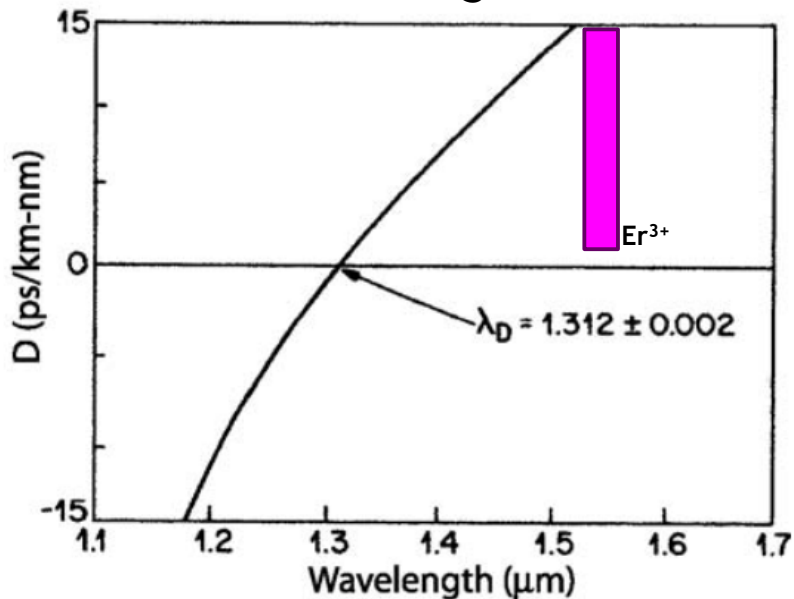


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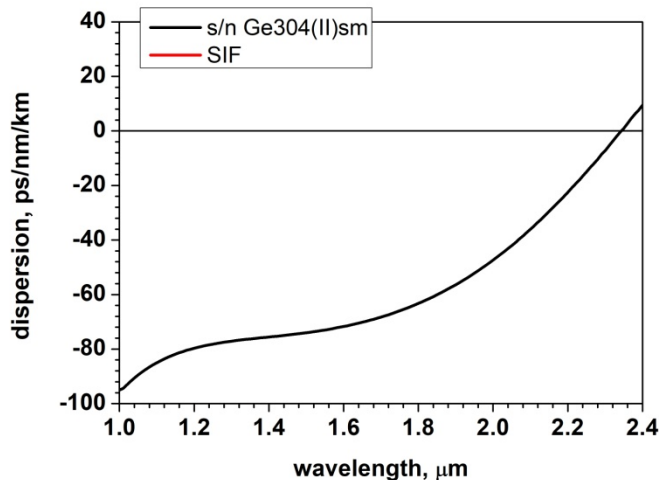
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Silica glass



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normal	normal	normal

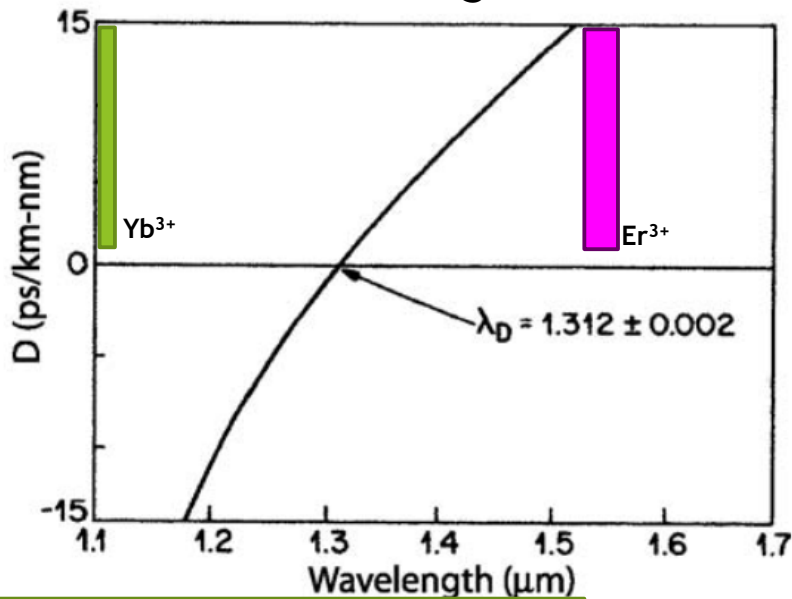


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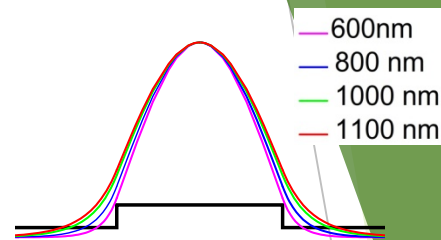
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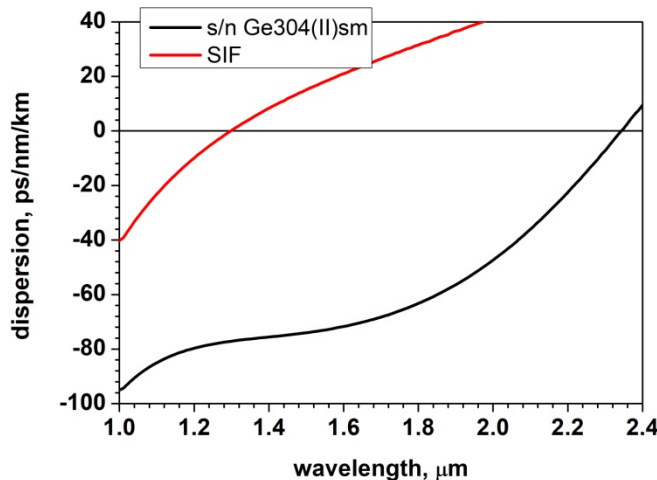
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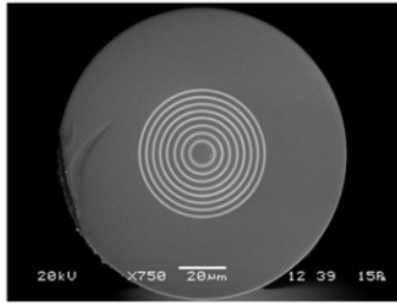
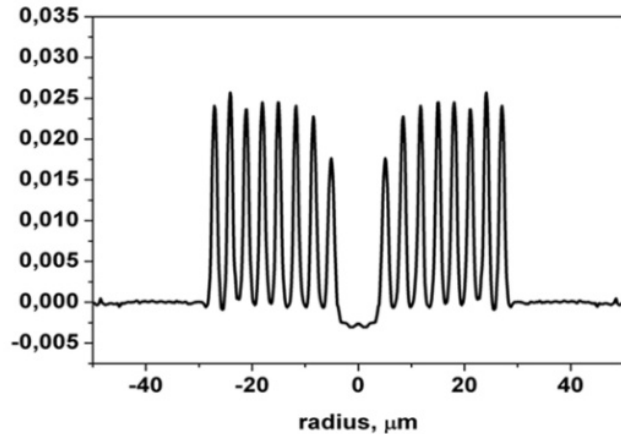
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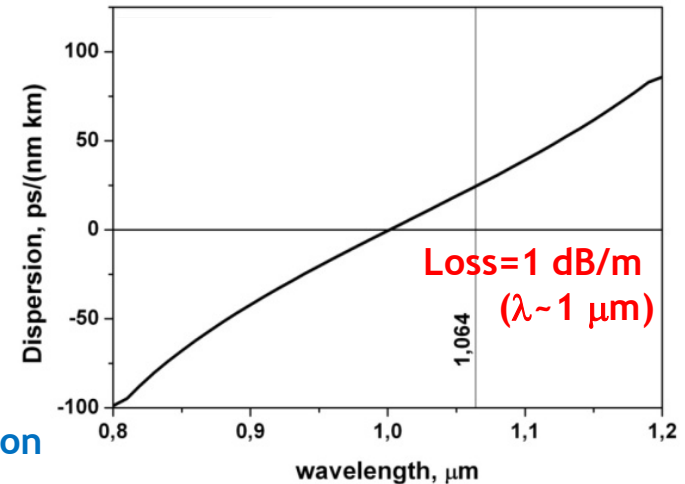
## The problem:

- ▶ In SIF  $D_{\text{waveguide}} < 0 \rightarrow$  dispersion management is possible only for the spectral range where  $D_{\text{material}} > 0$
- ▶ For  $D_{\text{material}} < 0$  specialty optical fibers are required

# Bragg fiber is hybrid fiber prototype



Guiding mechanism is  
**Coherent Fresnel Reflection**



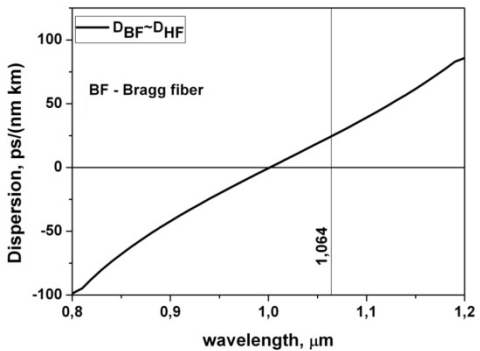
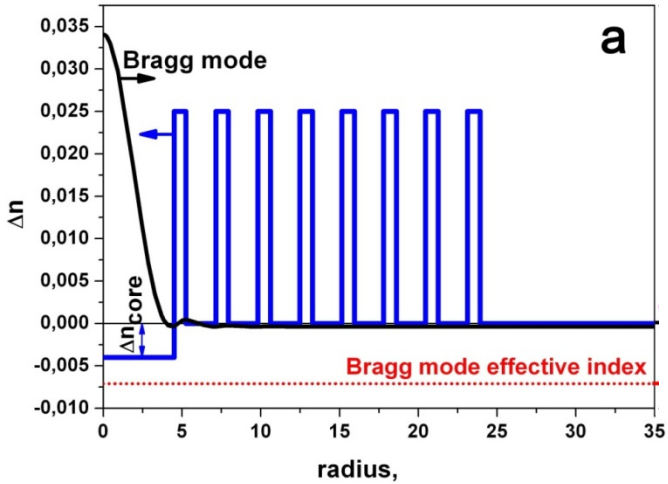
F. Brechet, P. Roy, J. Marcou and D. Pagnoux, in *Electronics Letters*, vol. 36, no. 6, pp. 514-515, 16 March 2000  
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❖ Appropriate design of the Bragg fiber allows dispersion management

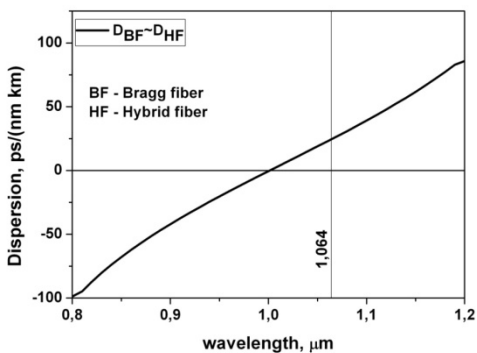
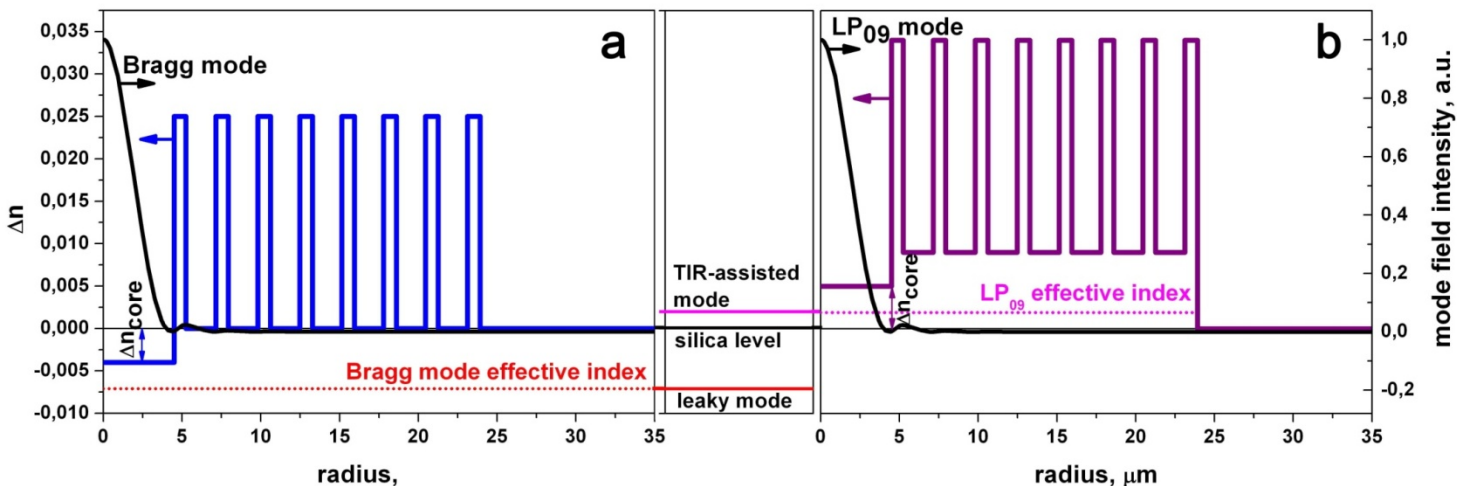
❖ Disadvantage: Leakage losses

# Guiding mechanism

1. Increase the refractive index of the whole structure



# Guiding mechanism



1.  $I_{LP09}(r) \sim I_{BF}(r)$
2.  $D_{LP09}(\lambda) \sim D_{BF}(\lambda)$

LP<sub>09</sub> mode  
 ❖ Formation mechanism  
 (anomalous dispersion at 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )

CFR

❖ Waveguide mechanism  
 (low optical loss)

TIR



The core mode propagates due to Hybrid mechanism

mode field intensity, a.u.

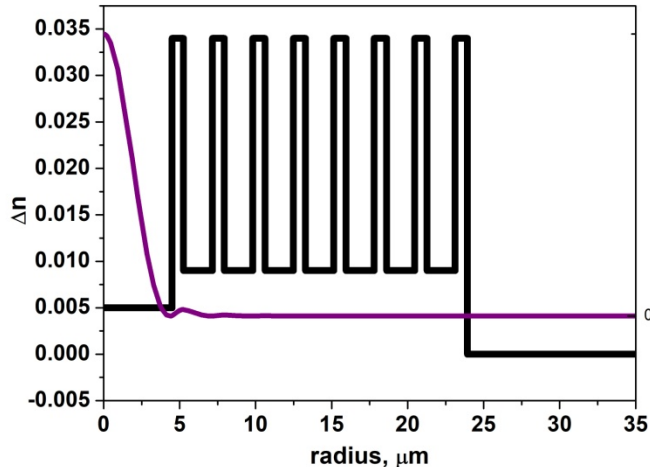
## 2. Constantly decrease layers' number

# Guiding mechanism

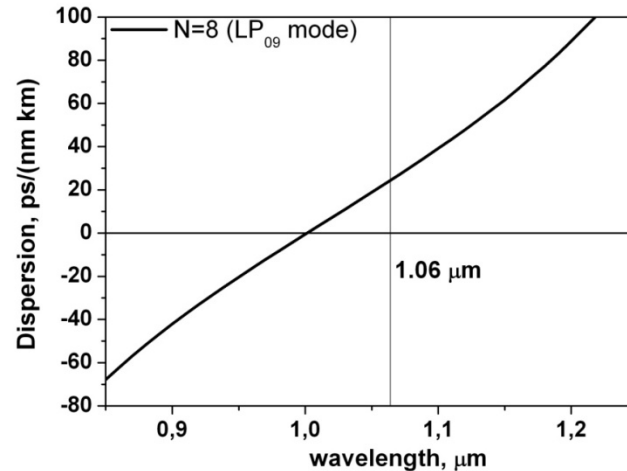
❖ 8 layers of BF **FOR OPTICAL LOSS MINIMIZATION**

❖ In HF there are not leakage losses

# N=8



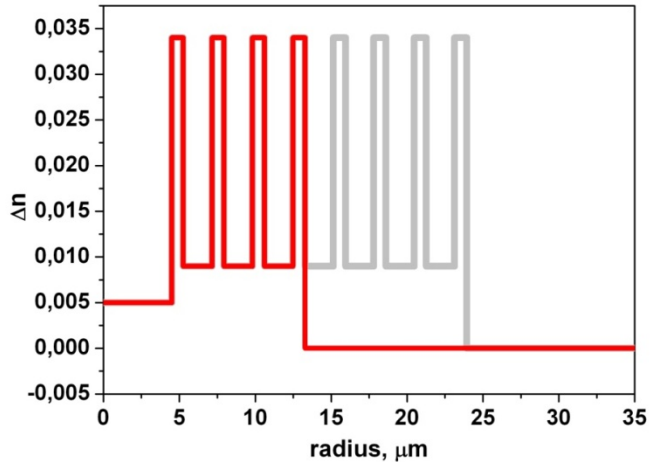
Operating mode is  $\text{LP}_{09}$



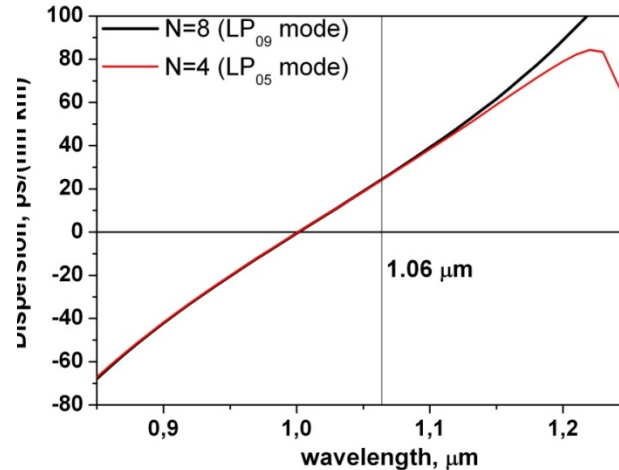
# Guiding mechanism

## 2. Constantly decrease layers' number

**N=4**



Operating mode is  $\text{LP}_{05}$

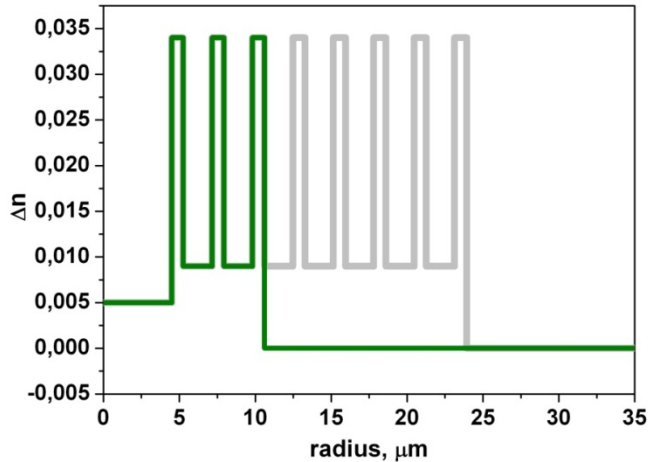




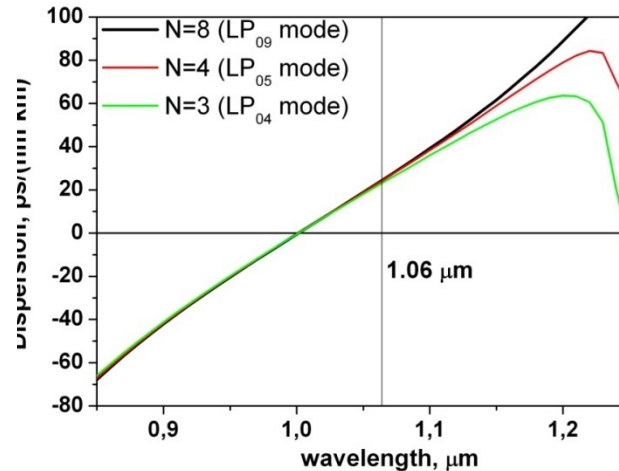
# Guiding mechanism

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**N=3**



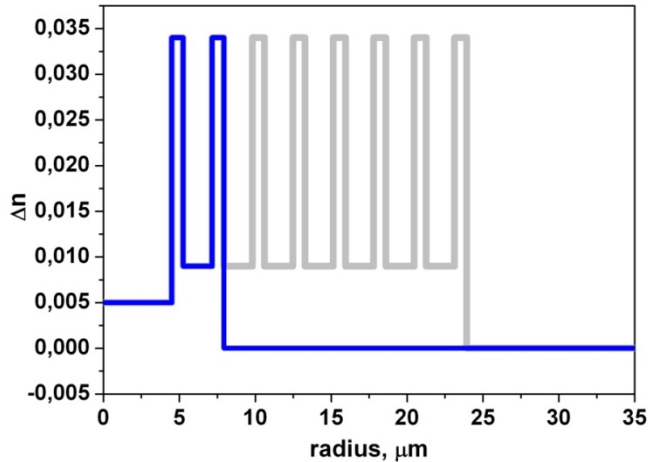
Operating mode is  $\text{LP}_{04}$



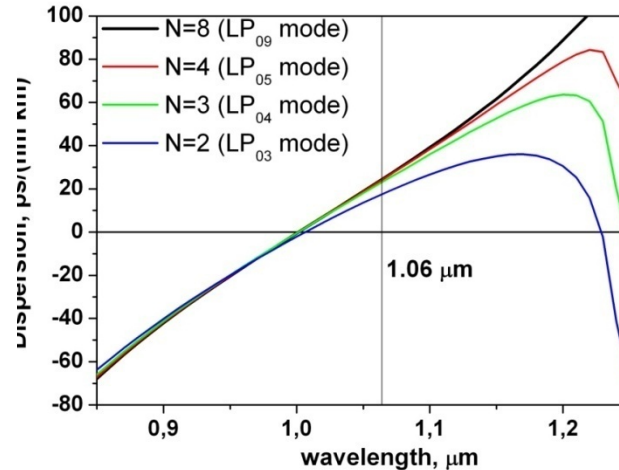
# Guiding mechanism

## 2. Constantly decrease layers' number

**N=2**



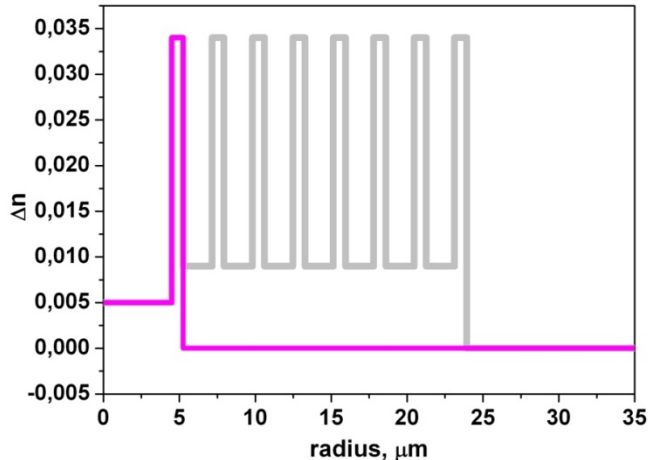
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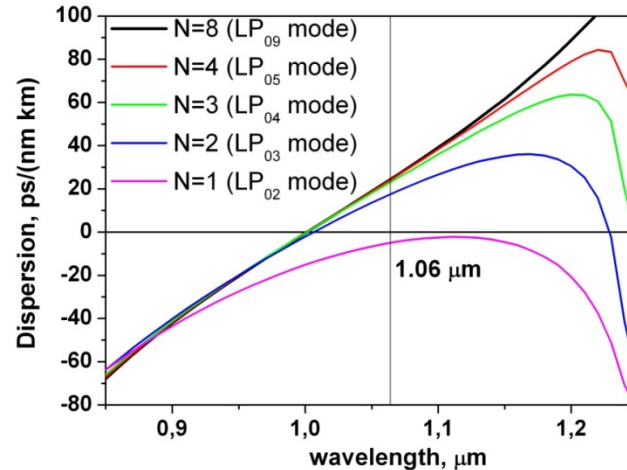
# Guiding mechanism

## 2. Constantly decrease layers' number

**N=1\***



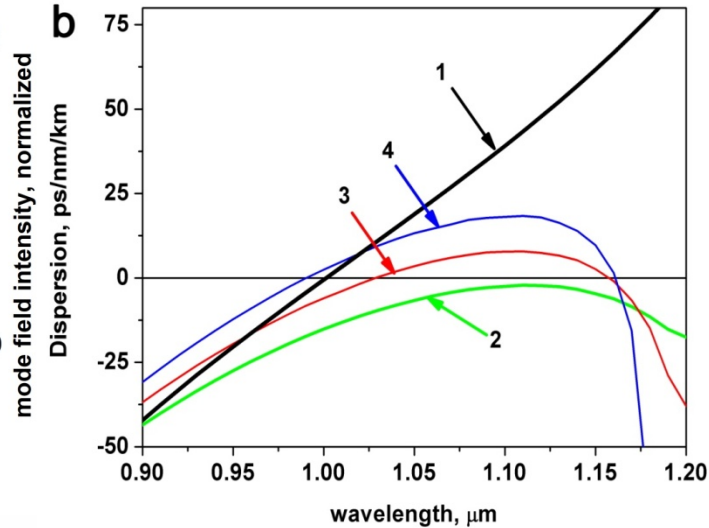
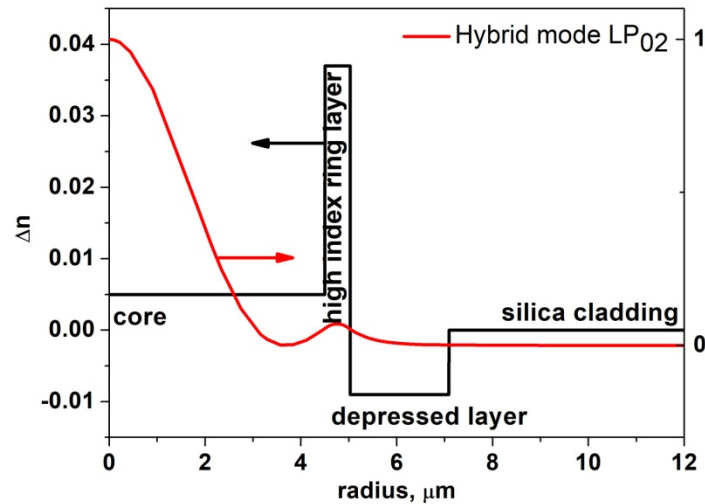
Operating mode is  $\text{LP}_{02}$



\*A S Belanov, S V Tsvetkov, *Quant. Electron.*, 2010, **40** (2), 160–162.

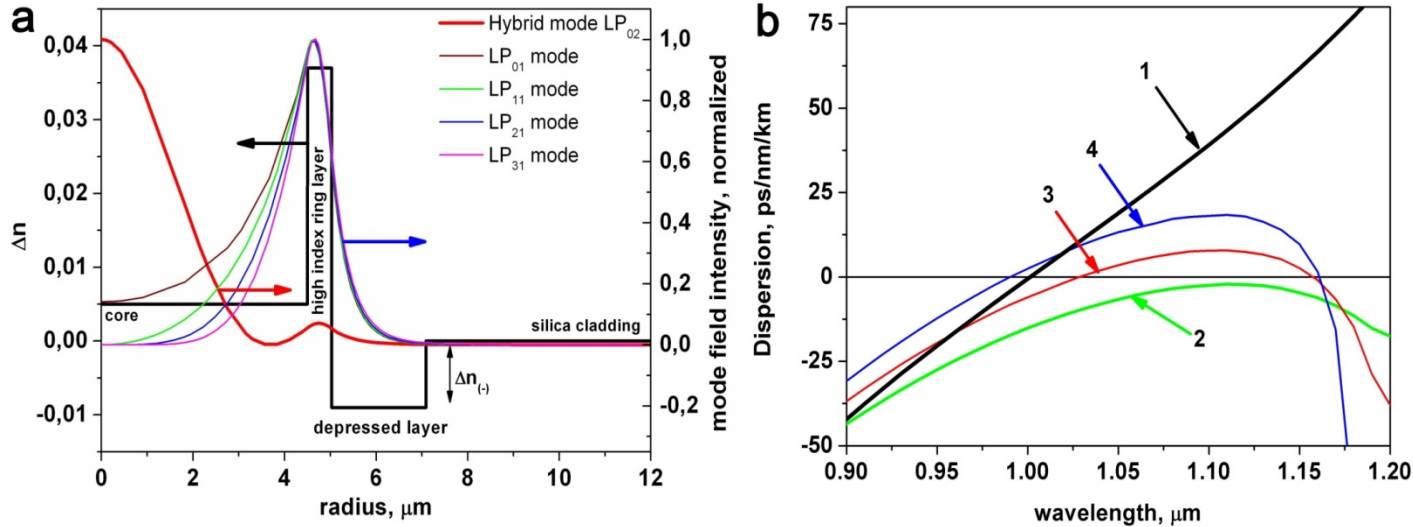
### 3. Add depressed layer

## Guiding mechanism



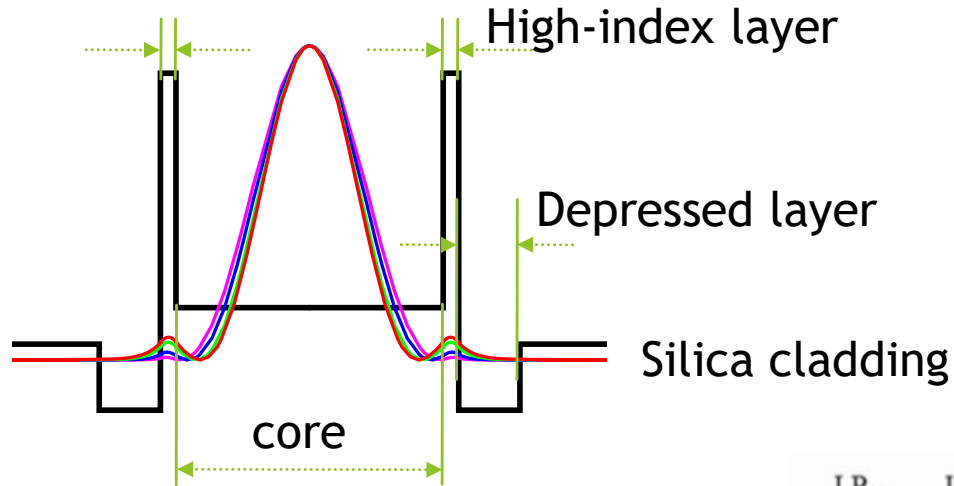
- 1 - Dispersion of the Bragg fiber
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- 4 - Dispersion of the fiber with  $\Delta n_{(-)}=0.010$

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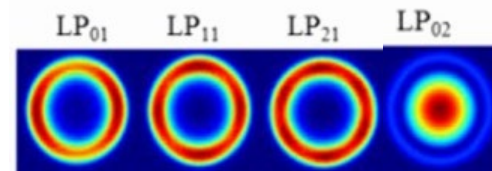


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# Hybrid fiber:



- 600nm
- 800 nm
- 1000 nm
- 1100 nm



❖ Operating mode  
 $LP_{0i}$  ( $HE_{1i}$ ),  
 $i=N+1$

❖ The most part of the mode confined in the weakly-doped core

❖ The operating mode can have anomalous dispersion at the desirable wavelength region

❖ Multimode mode structure

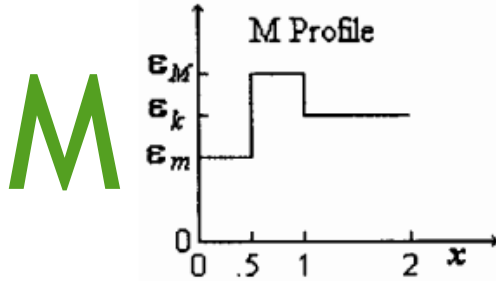
❖ The other modes is localized in the high index ring layer predominantly.

Svetlana S. Aleshkina, et.al, Opt. Express 21, 23838-23843 (2013)



# The pioneering work (theoretical)

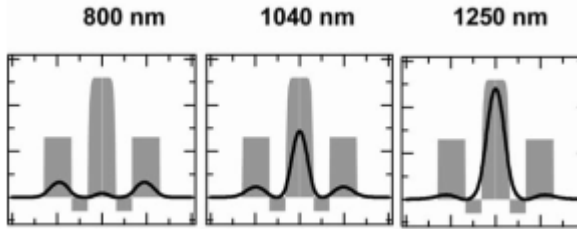
## ► M-type fiber



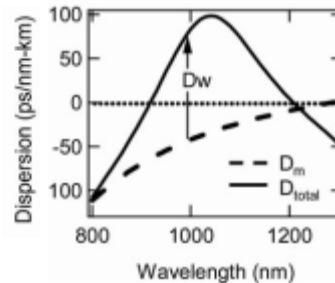
- ❖ The fundamental mode was considered as the operating one
- ❖ Dispersion was **NOT** studied

Neves, I. and A. S. C. Fernandes. "MODAL CHARACTERISTICS FOR W-TYPE AND M-TYPE DIELECTRIC PROFILE FIBERS." (1999).

## Few-mode fiber



1. The core is truly multimode



2. For desirable mode excitation it is necessary to use specific techniques

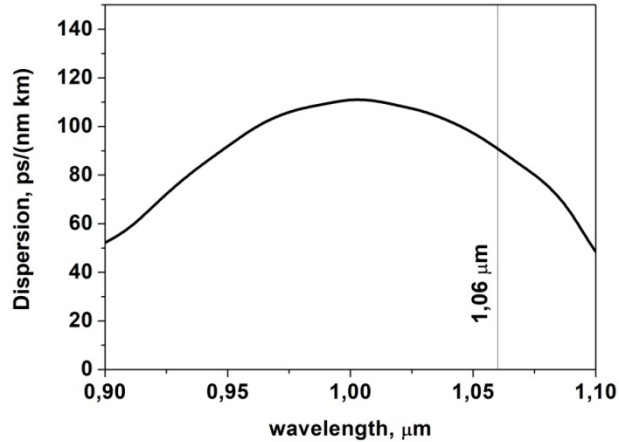
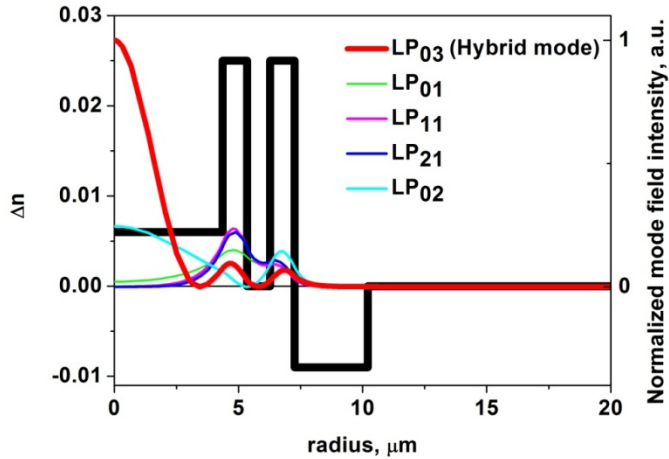
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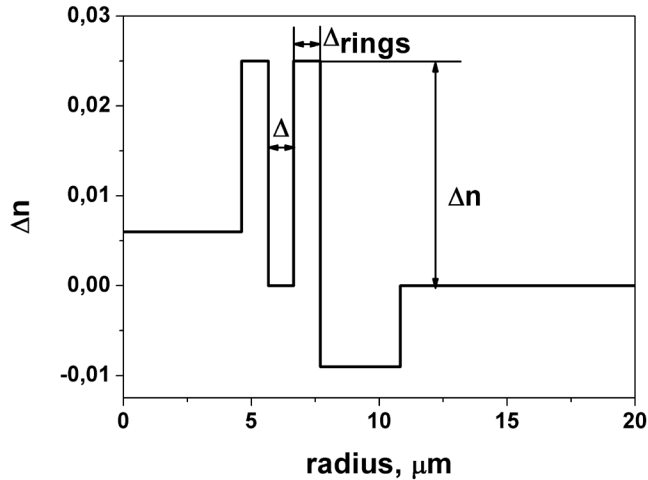
# Modeling aspects



❖ A design with two rings is optimal compromise between HF fabrication simplicity and achievable parameters

❖ HF is the most flexible both in terms of the MFD variations and in terms of the value and slope of the anomalous dispersion

# Modeling aspects



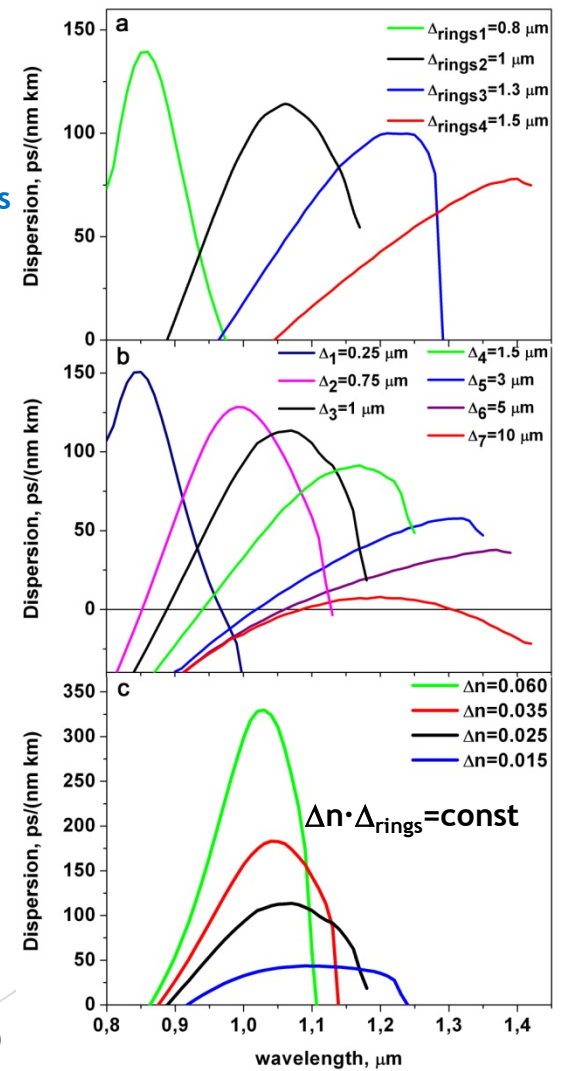
- dispersion curves have well-defined maximums
- breaking of the dispersion curves corresponds to hybrid mode cutoff
- the position of anomalous dispersion maximum, its value and slope could be adjusted by appropriate choice of  $\Delta$  and  $\Delta r_{\text{rings}}$
- An increase of the fiber's maximum anomalous dispersion value simultaneously reduces the dispersion peak's spectral width

Aleshkina S. S., et.al, in IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics, 24(3), 1-8 (2018)

$\Delta r_{\text{rings}}$

$\Delta$

$\Delta n$



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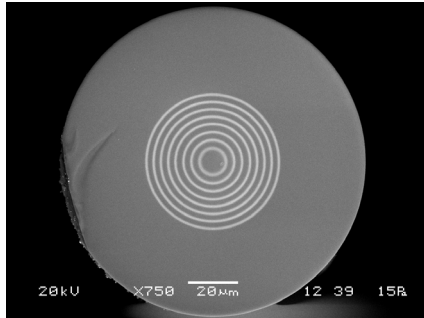
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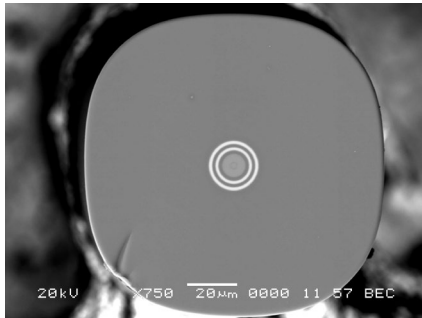
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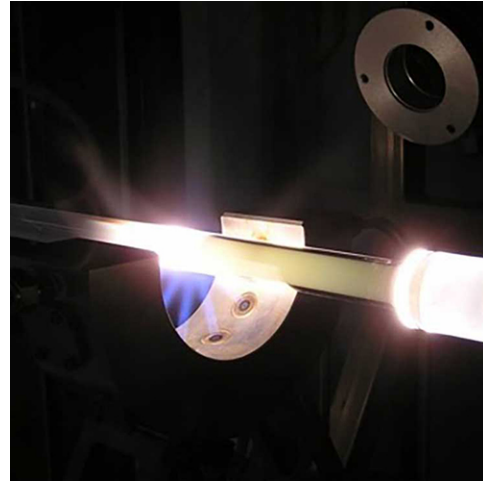
Bragg fiber



Hybrid fiber



MCVD



The RIP can be formed by  $\text{GeO}_2$  doping of silica glass



## Hybrid fiber advantageous

- ▶ In the core only hybrid mode is propagated
- ▶ It can be easily excited
- ▶ Appropriate design of the fiber allow dispersion management and its sign management
- ▶ The structure can be easily created by standard fabrication technique

**What's wrong?**

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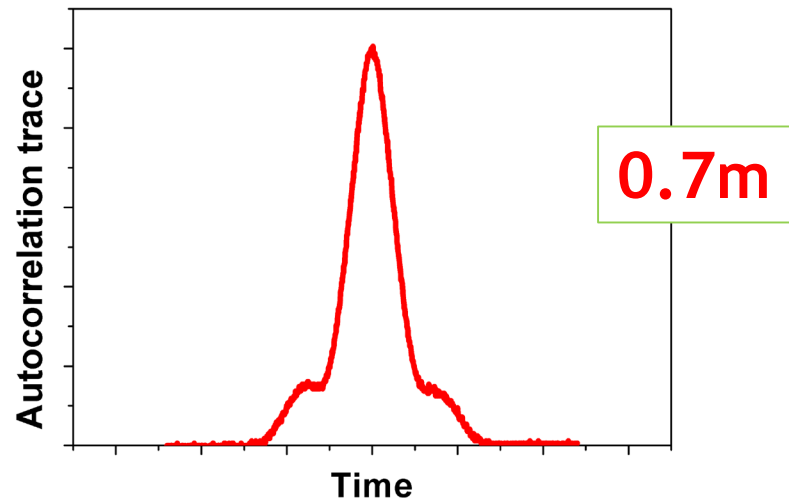
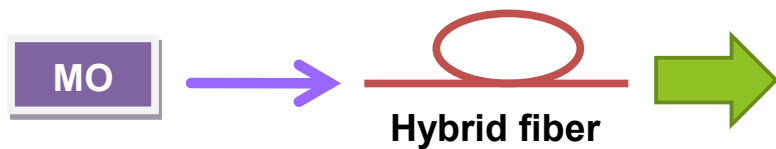
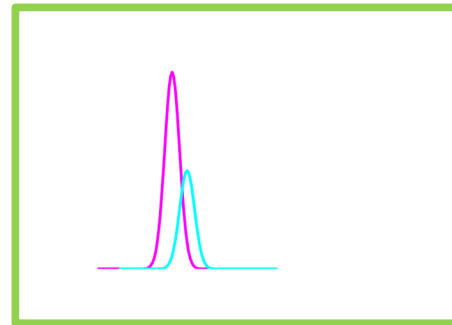
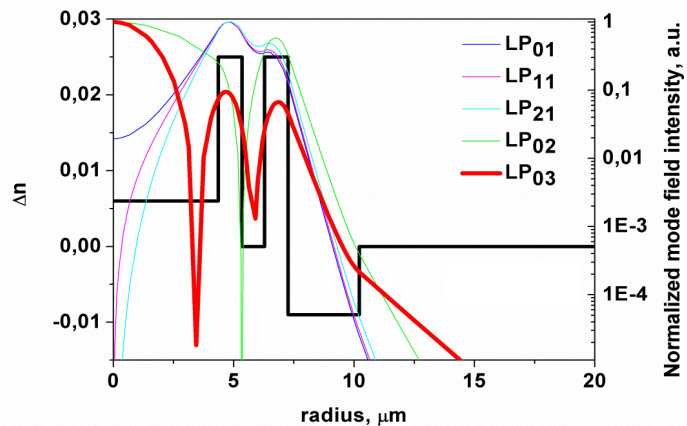
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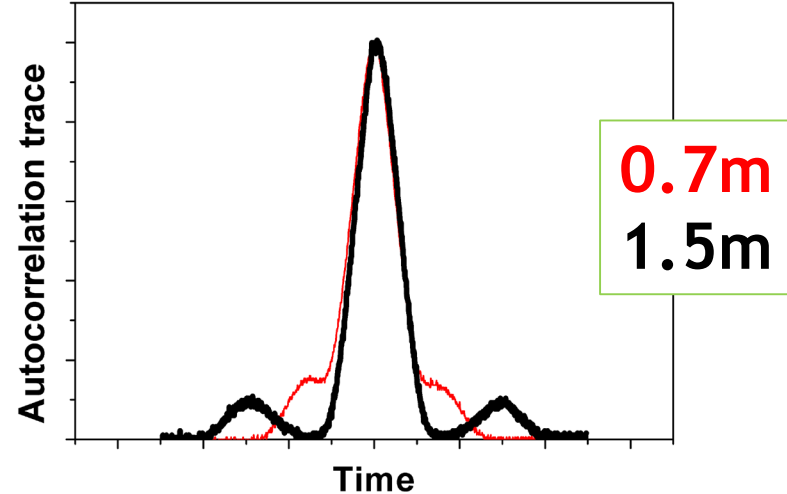
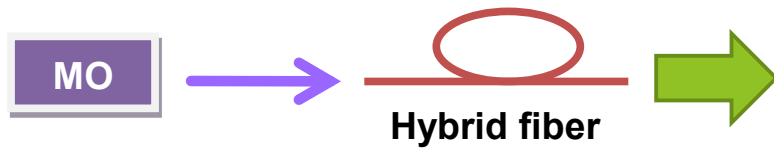
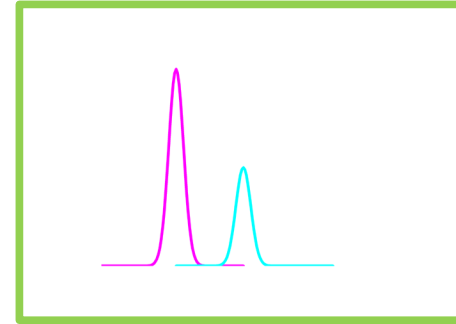
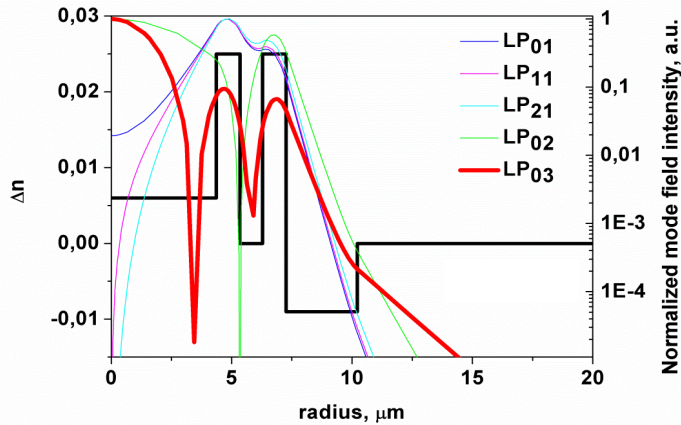
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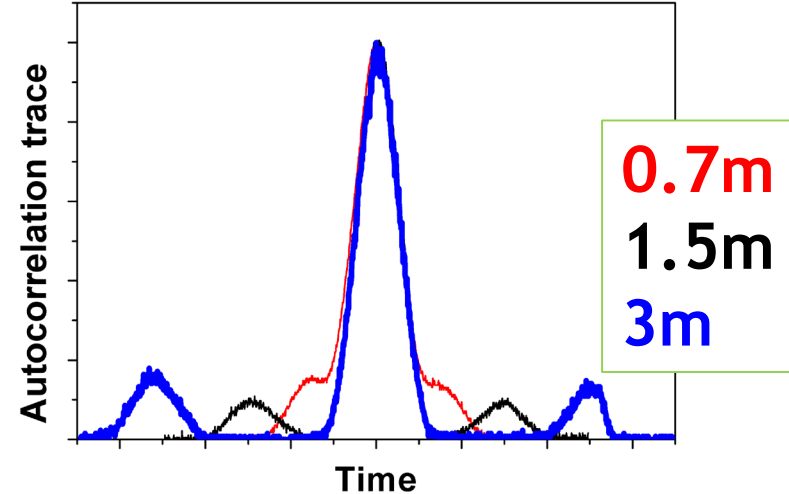
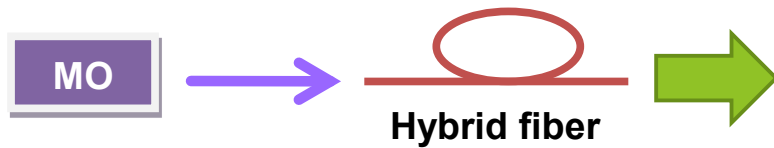
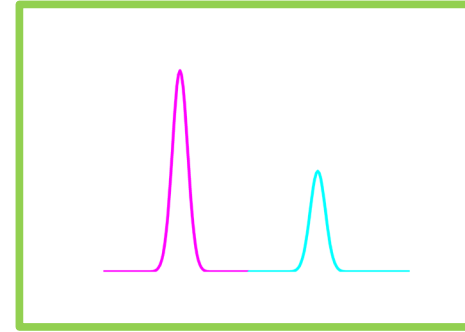
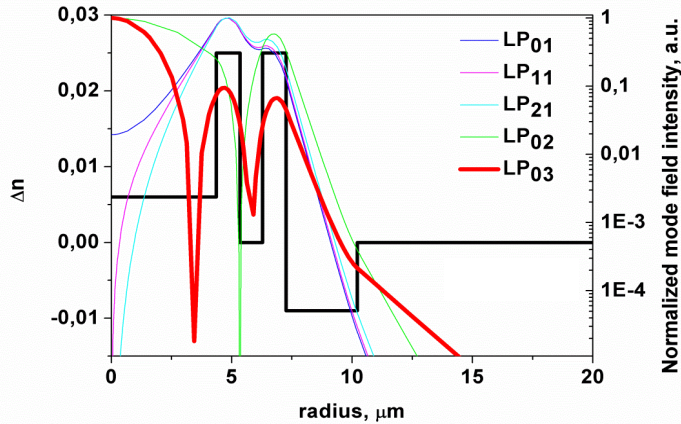
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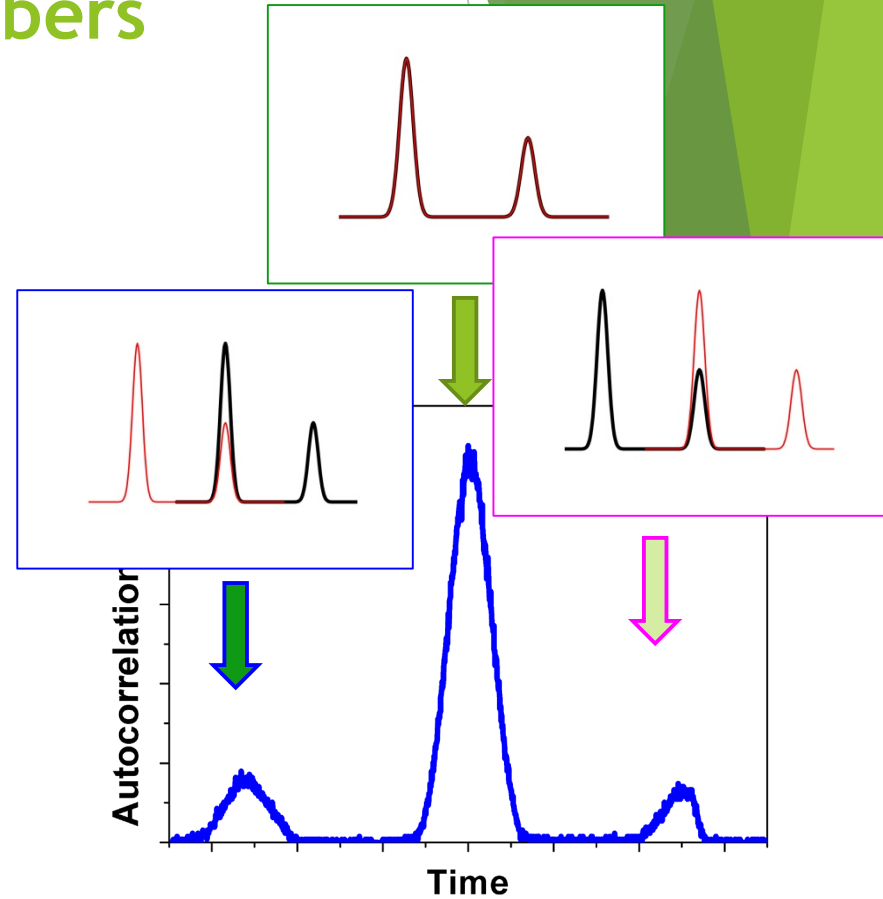
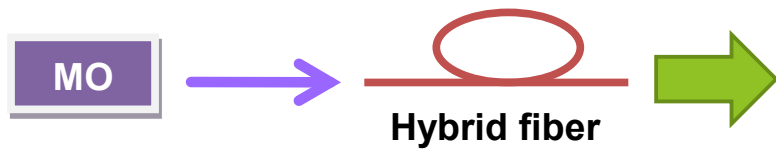
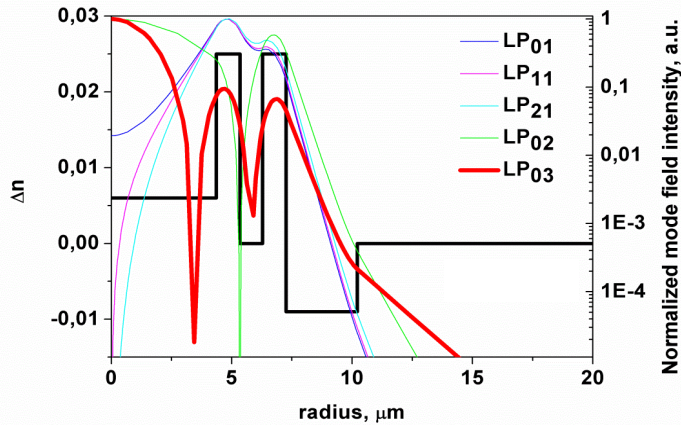
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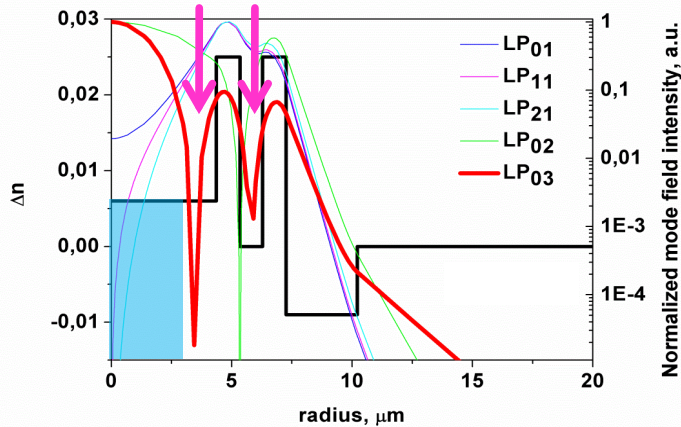
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# Asymptotically single-mode propagation of the hybrid fiber



The operating mode and the undesired modes have a different mode field intensity distribution

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Introduction of an additional absorbing ring layer into position of the hybrid mode minimum

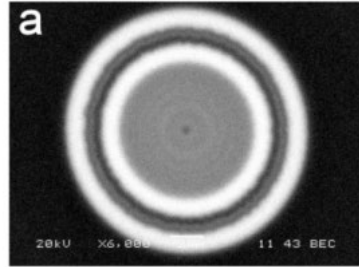
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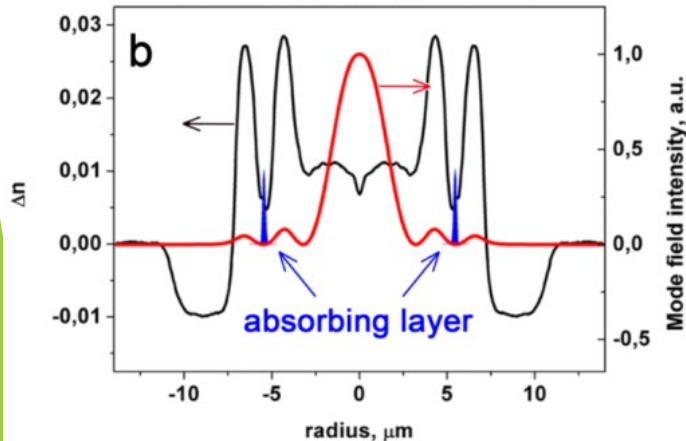
Partial doping of the fiber core

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# 1. The method of selective undesirable modes SUPPRESSION



Fabrication method: MCVD  
Method of absorbing layer creation: solution doping  
Absorbing element:  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$   
 $D_{\text{clad}} = 125 \mu\text{m}$



Estimated losses

Measured:

$\text{LP}_{03}$  (Hybrid mode) = 0.8 dB/m

Calculated:

$\text{LP}_{02}$  = 22 dB/m

$\text{LP}_{01}$  = 43 dB/m



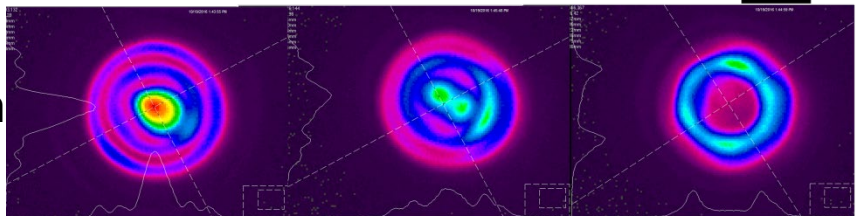
# 1. The method of selective undesirable modes **SUPPRESS**

Mode content

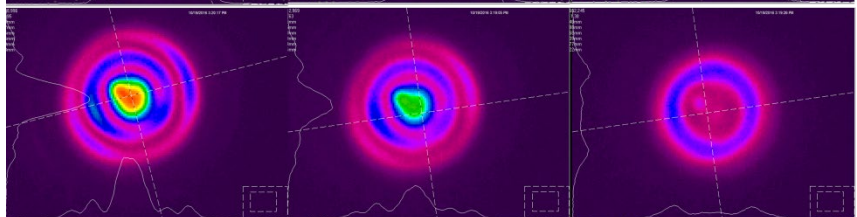
Hybrid mode



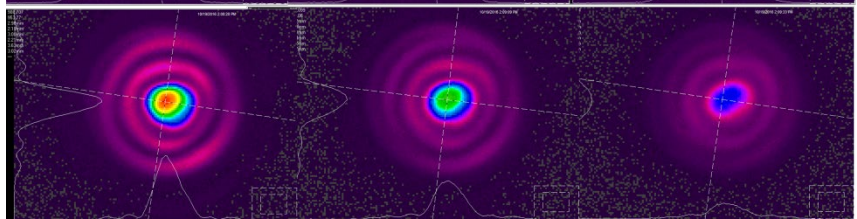
0.5 m



3 m

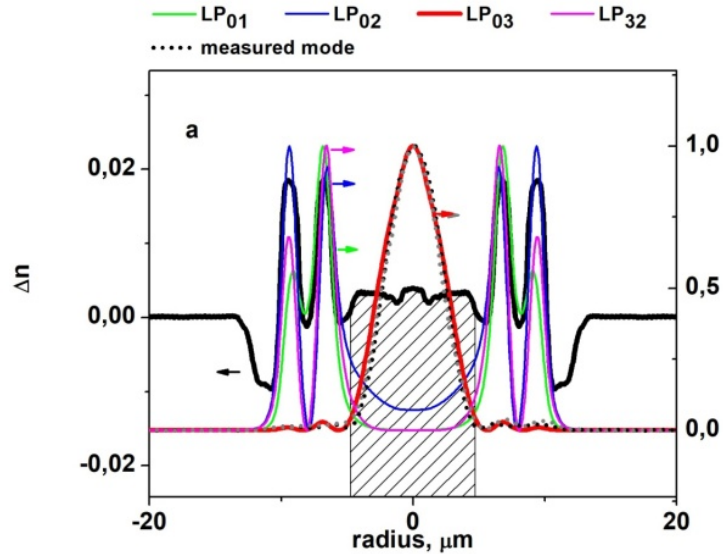


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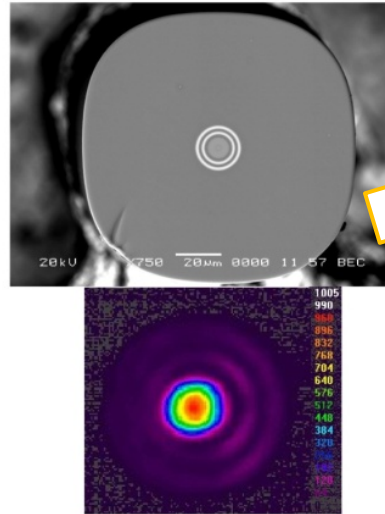


$\alpha(\text{LP}_{03}),$ dB	$\alpha(\text{LP}_{02}),$ dB	$\alpha(\text{LP}_{01}),$ dB
0.4	11	21.5
2.4	66	129
4.8	132	258

## 2. Method of selective mode AMPLIFICATION



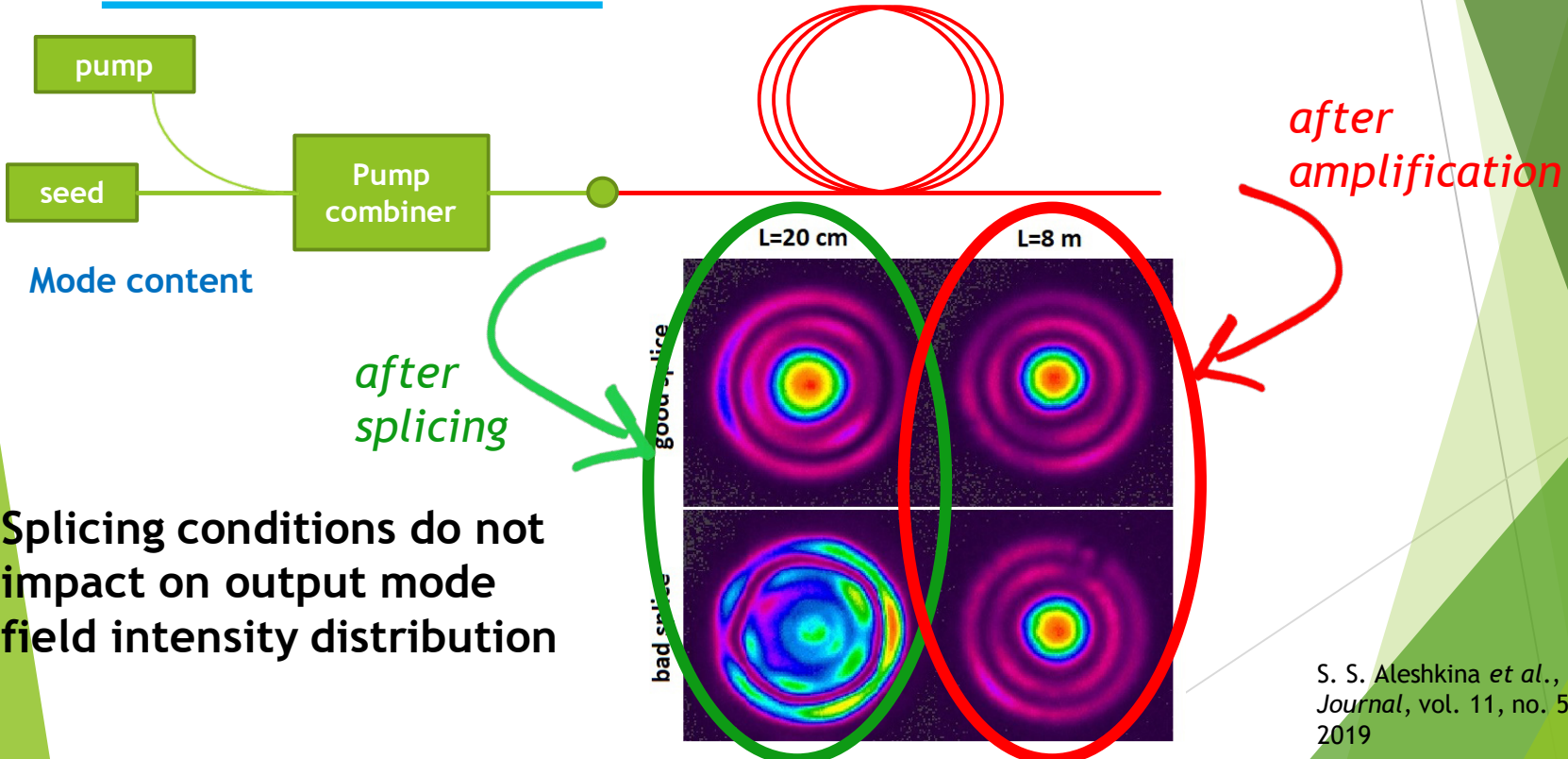
mode field intensity distribution, a.u.



Hybrid mode

mode	Overlap with doping region at 1.03 $\mu\text{m}$ (1.06 $\mu\text{m}$ )
LP <sub>03</sub>	90% (87%)
LP <sub>02</sub>	6.6% (9.5%)
LP <sub>01</sub>	1%

## 2. Method of selective mode AMPLIFICATION



Splicing conditions do not impact on output mode field intensity distribution

## Sub conclusion

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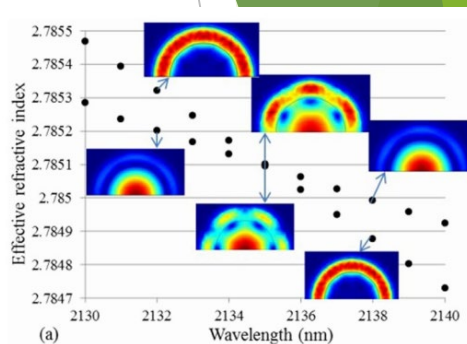
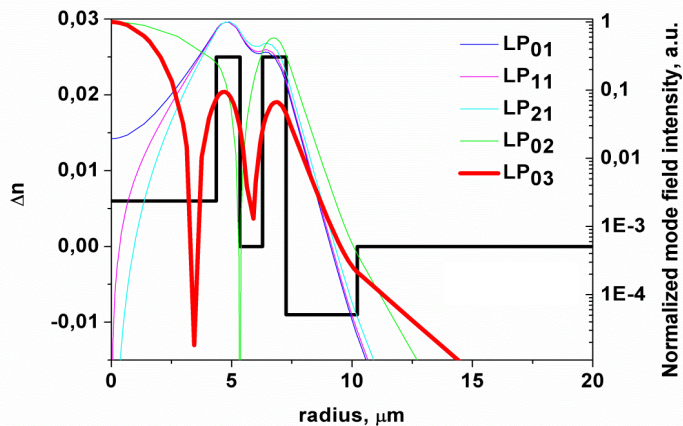
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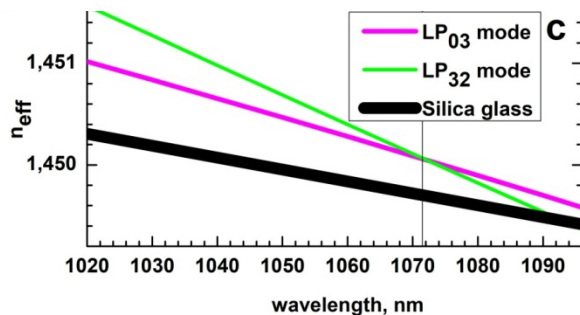
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- ❖ High nonlinearity

# Resonant modes coupling effect

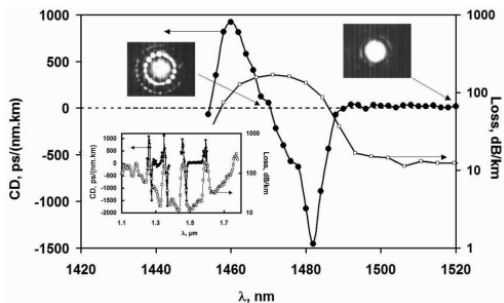
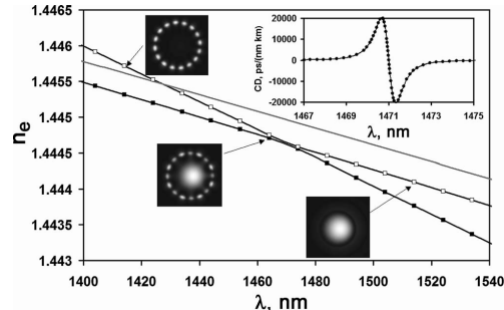
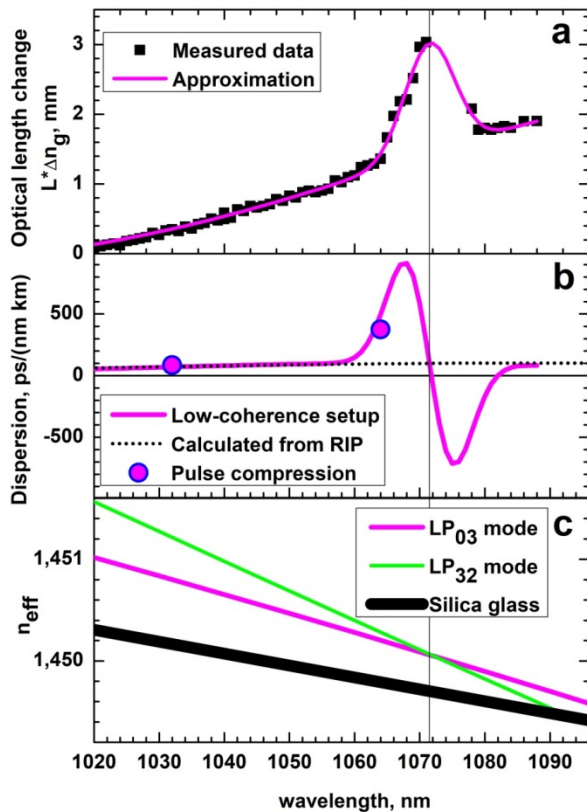
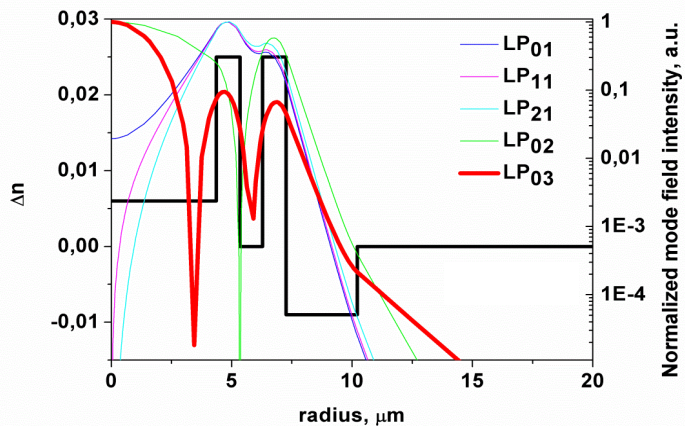


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# Content:

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History of hybrid fiber development

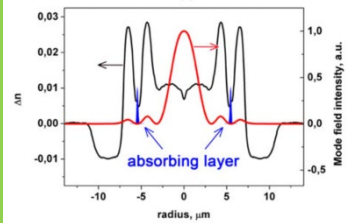
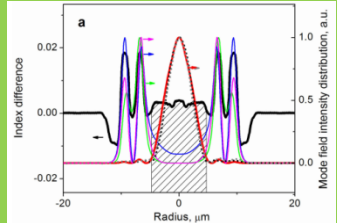
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3. Fabrication aspects

4. Limitations of the hybrid fibers  
and  
The ways to overcome them

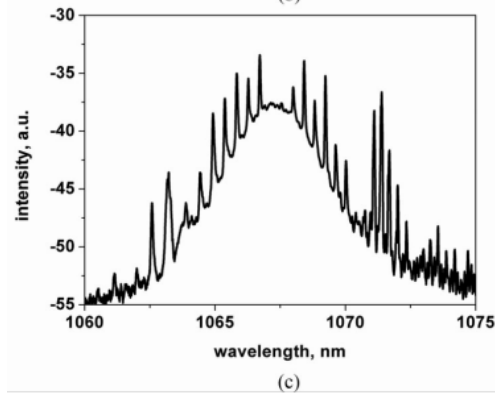
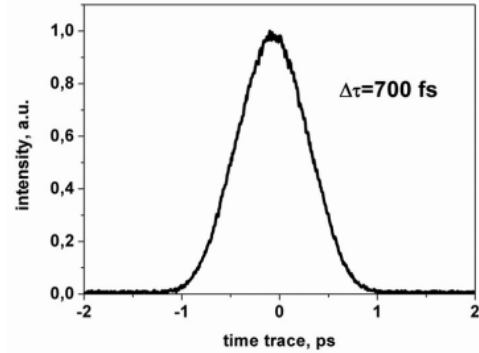
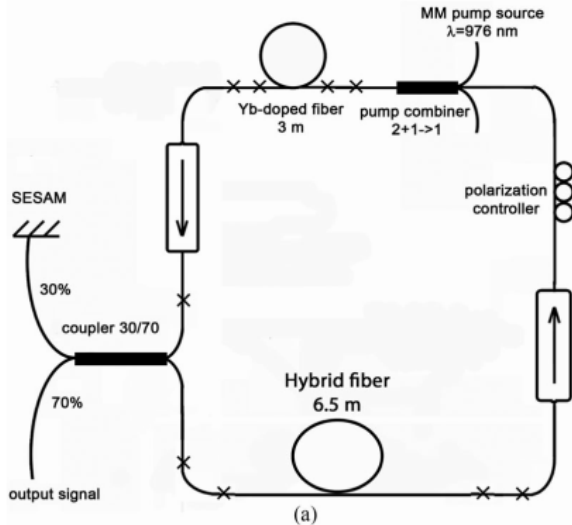
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# Application

Application	Approach	
master oscillator	<p>undesirable modes <b>SUPPRESSION</b></p>  <p>The graph plots Mode field intensity (a.u.) on the y-axis (ranging from -0.5 to 1.0) against radius (μm) on the x-axis (ranging from -10 to 10). A black curve shows the intensity profile with several peaks. A red curve shows a modified profile where the central peak is significantly reduced. A blue shaded region at the center is labeled 'absorbing layer' with arrows pointing to it.</p>	<p>hybrid mode <b>AMPLIFICATION</b></p>  <p>The graph plots Index difference on the y-axis (ranging from -0.02 to 0.02) and Mode field intensity distribution (a.u.) on the x-axis (ranging from -20 to 20). A black curve shows the index difference profile. A red curve shows the mode field intensity distribution with several peaks. A blue shaded region at the center is labeled 'a' with arrows pointing to it.</p>
pulse compression	/high propagation losses/	/high nonlinearity/



# Pulse generation

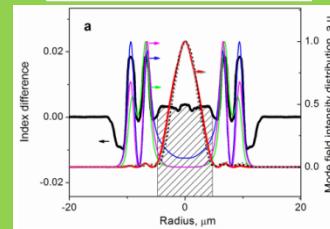
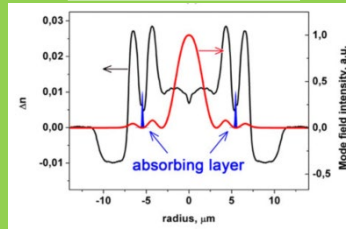


**$P_{\text{out}} = 8.6 \text{ mW}$**   
 **$\nu = 15.75 \text{ MHz}$**   
 **$T = 63.48 \text{ ns}$**

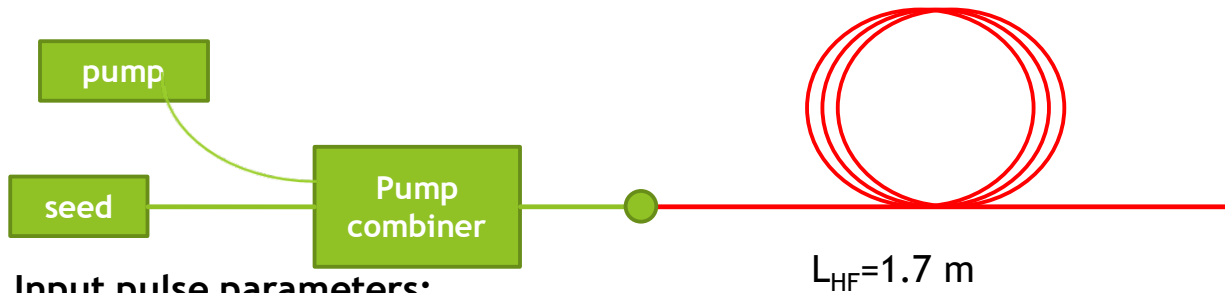
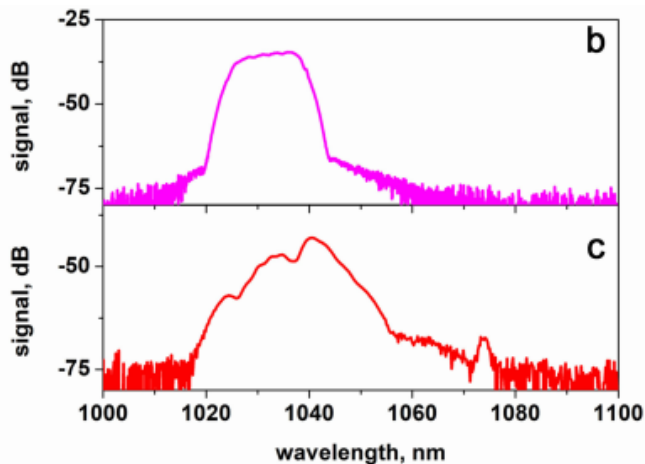
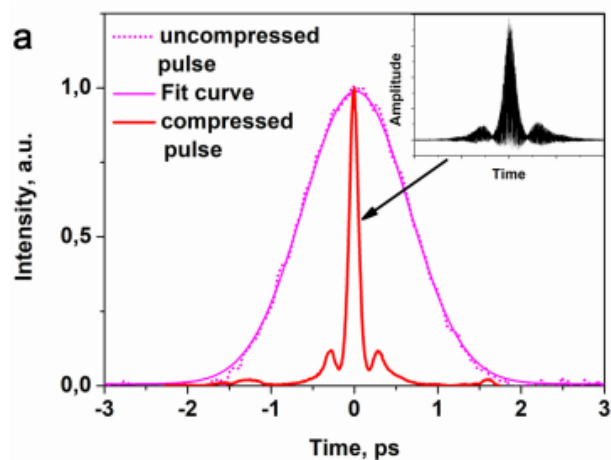
**$P_{\text{peak}} \sim 800 \text{ W}$**   
 **$E = 0.55 \text{ nJ}$**

# Application

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# Chirped pulse compression

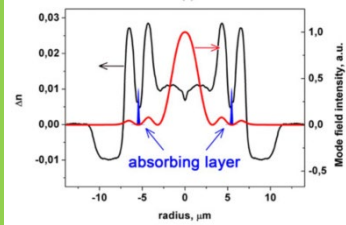
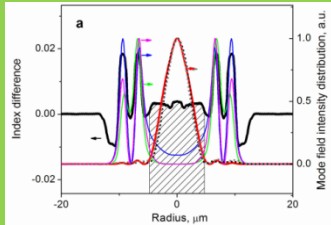


Input pulse parameters:  
 $\Delta\tau=1$  ps;  $\Delta\lambda=11$  nm;  $P_{av}=1$  mW

Output characteristics:

$\Delta\tau_{in}=90$  fs  
 $E=0.9$  nJ ( $P_{av}=40$  mW)  
Peak-10 kW

# Application

Application	Approach	
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master oscillator	 <p>A graph showing mode field intensity (a.u.) versus radius (μm). The x-axis ranges from -10 to 10, and the y-axis ranges from -0.01 to 0.03. A red curve shows the intensity profile, and a blue curve shows the profile with an 'absorbing layer' indicated by arrows at the center. The intensity is significantly reduced in the central region.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>+</b></p> <p>Aleshkina S. S., et.al, in IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics, 24(3), 1-8 (2018)</p>	 <p>A graph showing index difference versus radius (μm). The x-axis ranges from -20 to 20, and the y-axis ranges from -0.02 to 0.02. A red curve shows the index difference profile, and a blue curve shows the mode field intensity distribution. A shaded region is present around the center, and arrows indicate specific features.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>/high nonlinearity/</b></p>
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## Potential Applications

### Raman soliton generation

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### SC generation

Mid-infrared spectral range

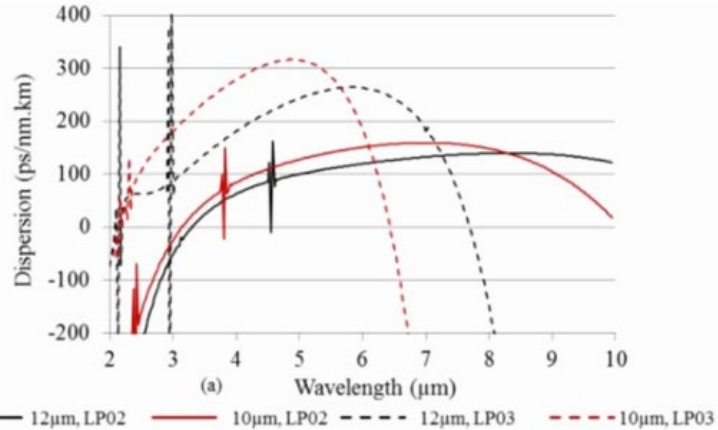
ZDW shifting to the spectral range of available pump sources

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# Supercontinuum generation

Mid-infrared spectral range ( $\lambda > 2 \mu\text{m}$ )

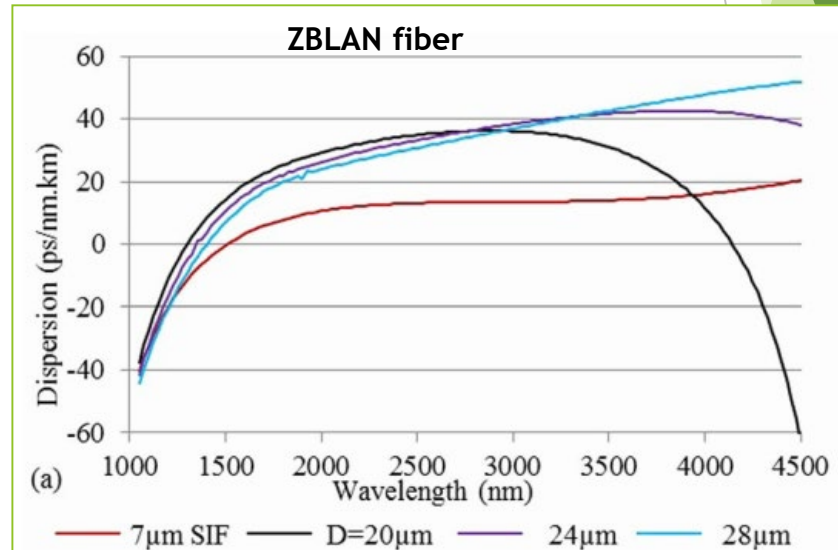
Chalcogenide fiber



Pump source: Er-ZBLAN at 2.94  $\mu\text{m}$

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Possibility to increase MFD compared to standard SIF



# Conclusion

- ▶ Hybrid fibers (also called as M-type fibers) is perspective structure for dispersion management due to
  - ▶ all-glass structure
  - ▶ Possibility to control the dispersion sign and its slope.
- ▶ The main features of the hybrid fiber correspond to Bragg fibers characteristics that are due to the similar nature of operating mode formation.
- ▶ Appropriate choice of the fiber parameters and glass matrix allow to provide dispersion management in the different spectral regions.

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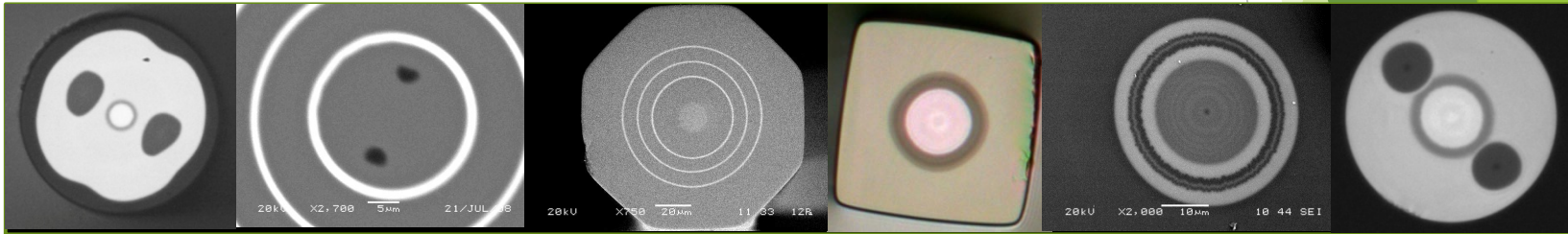
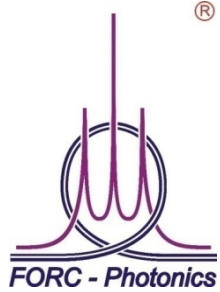
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