

Recent Developments in Hollow-Core Optical Fiber

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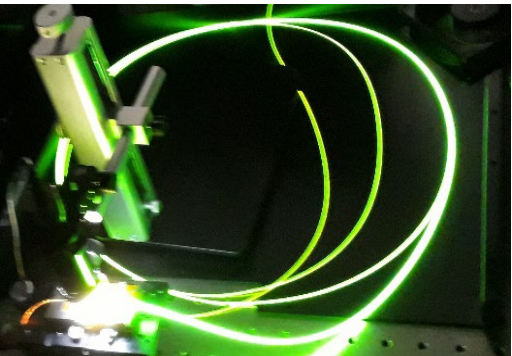


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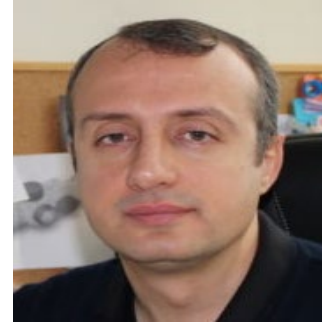
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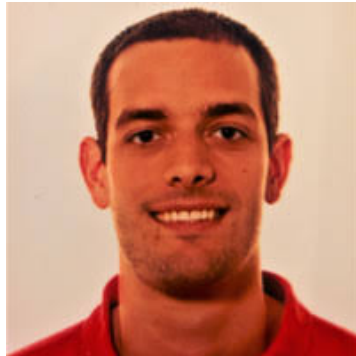
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Location: Naupaka III, Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa, Waikoloa Beach, Hawaii

2. Webinar 1: Everything you always wanted to know about supercontinuum modelling in optical fibers (but were afraid to ask) Date: 26th August 2019, at Swiss time 2pm/ EDT 8am

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

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

Date: 30th 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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Speaker's Short Bio:

Yingying Wang obtained her Ph.D. degree from University of Bath, UK in 2011. The Department of Physics, University of Bath, awarded the "Albert Freedman Prize" to Wang's Ph.D. thesis. She is currently an associate professor at *Institute of Laser Engineering, Beijing University of Technology*, in which her research interest lies on novel optical fiber design and fabrication. Wang's contributions on hollow-core hypocycloid-core Kagome fiber and hollow-core conjoined-tube negative curvature fiber are well recognized by the microstructured fiber community. She has delivered many post deadline and invited talks in international conferences such as, CLEO, ECOC, Photonics West, CLEO-PR, Advanced Photonics Congress and Workshop on Specialty Optical Fiber. She has authored more than 30 technical papers with >500 total citations.



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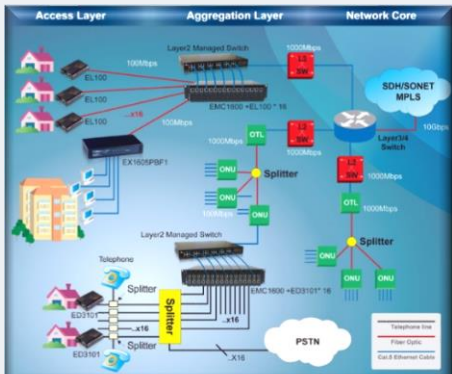


Applications



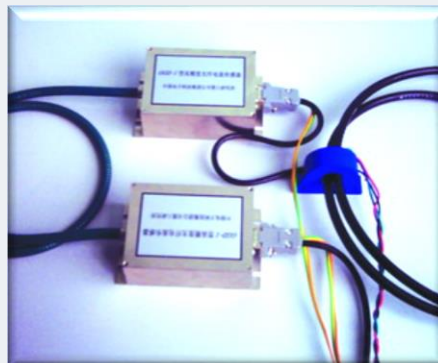
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Optical fiber communication



Capacity crush?

Optical fiber sensing



Harsh environment
Radiation?

Fiber laser



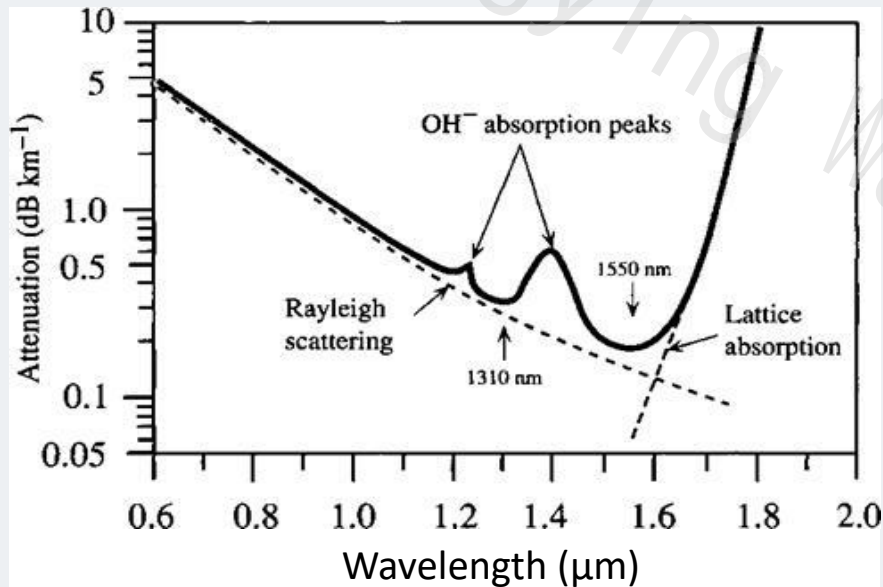
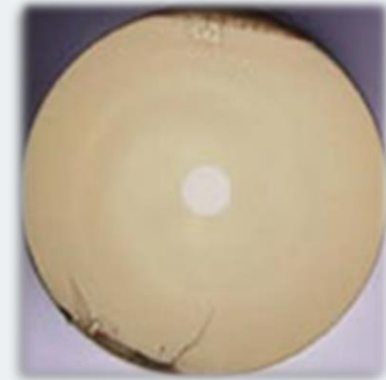
High power, UV, mid-IR?

Quantum Optics

Biophotonics



➤ Silica material – intrinsic defect



- Material loss — Limited transmission window, Rayleigh scattering
- Material dispersion — Pulse broadening, signal delay
- Material nonlinearity—phase distortion
- Material damage — Limited laser power

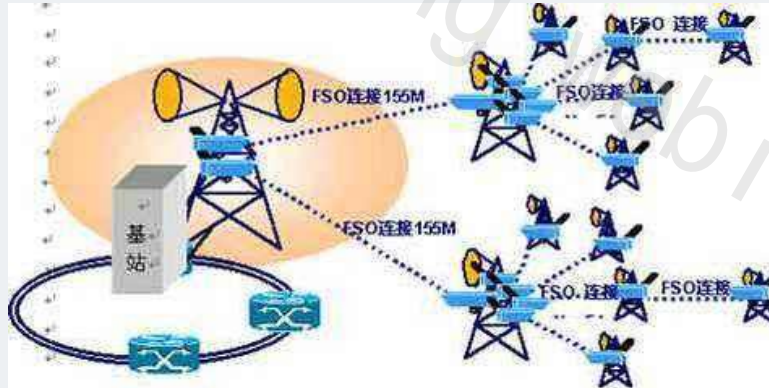
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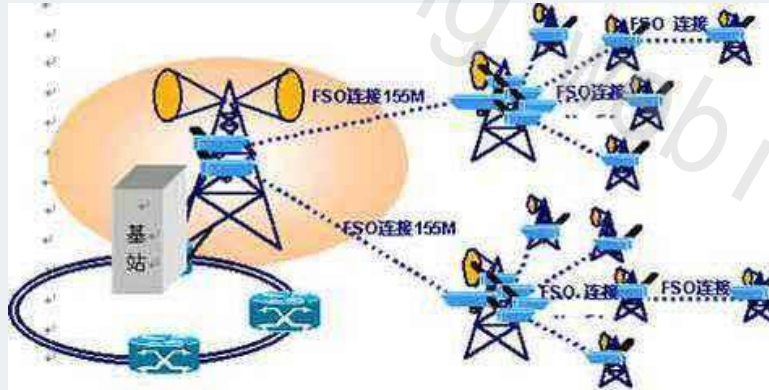
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fiber+air => ?

28 years ago at CLEO-US (1991)



Philip Russell

Feynmann

micro cavity (localized) plane wave (delocalized) ?

RK Chang: Single Liquid Droplet (TiO₂ limited) QELS
 e/m effect • focusing at x and y
 • enhancement of internal field (no limit)
 • morphology-dependent resonance (leaky mode)
 Quantum EB effects • enhancement of Einstein A & B coefficients
 • dual shifts

In fibers, enhancement of fluorescence possible $n \approx 1.2$ needed

JAP 65 2900 (1989) PRL 47 (1075) (1981)

droplets mode! intensity fringes plane wave

Piercell Phys 69 (681) 1946 "Cotton Rule"

Proposal

soft glass $n > 2$
 preform with many holes
 pull \rightarrow structure with ϕ band gap (laterally)
 \rightarrow waveguide?
 \rightarrow like a metal!

structure with ϕ band gap || waveguide with vacuum core possible!
 air core (or filled with cavity material) guides

Waveguide with vacuum core possible!

Maybe good for pumping guide int-laser

DAN-filled hollow core fibre guides for SHG

DAN $d \approx 50$ pm/V

{ APL 51 (9) (1484) 1987 }
 { Baumeier et al } } synthesis

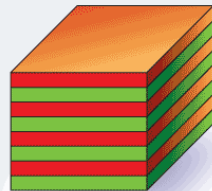
CLEO '91 CTuP3 1:30 pm

absorption edge \rightarrow core

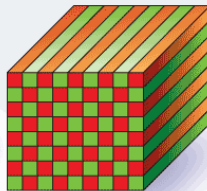
cladding core cladding \rightarrow C

Ti-Sapphire { $n \approx 1.8$ at 670 nm }
 { cut 1 μ m pump }
 $L = 4.7$ mm } $\eta_{eff} \approx 12\%$
 $D = 1.4$ μ m } beyond 980 nm (of Stavaris)

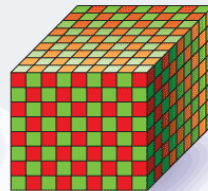
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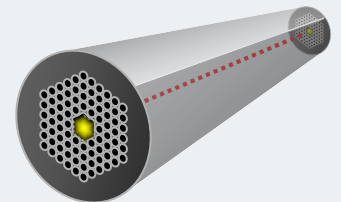
One-dimensional photonic crystal



Two-dimensional photonic crystal



Three-dimensional photonic crystal





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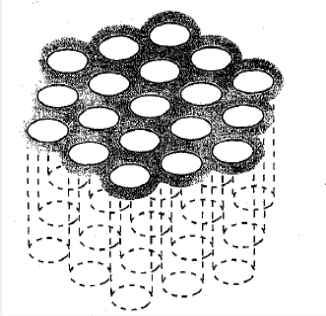
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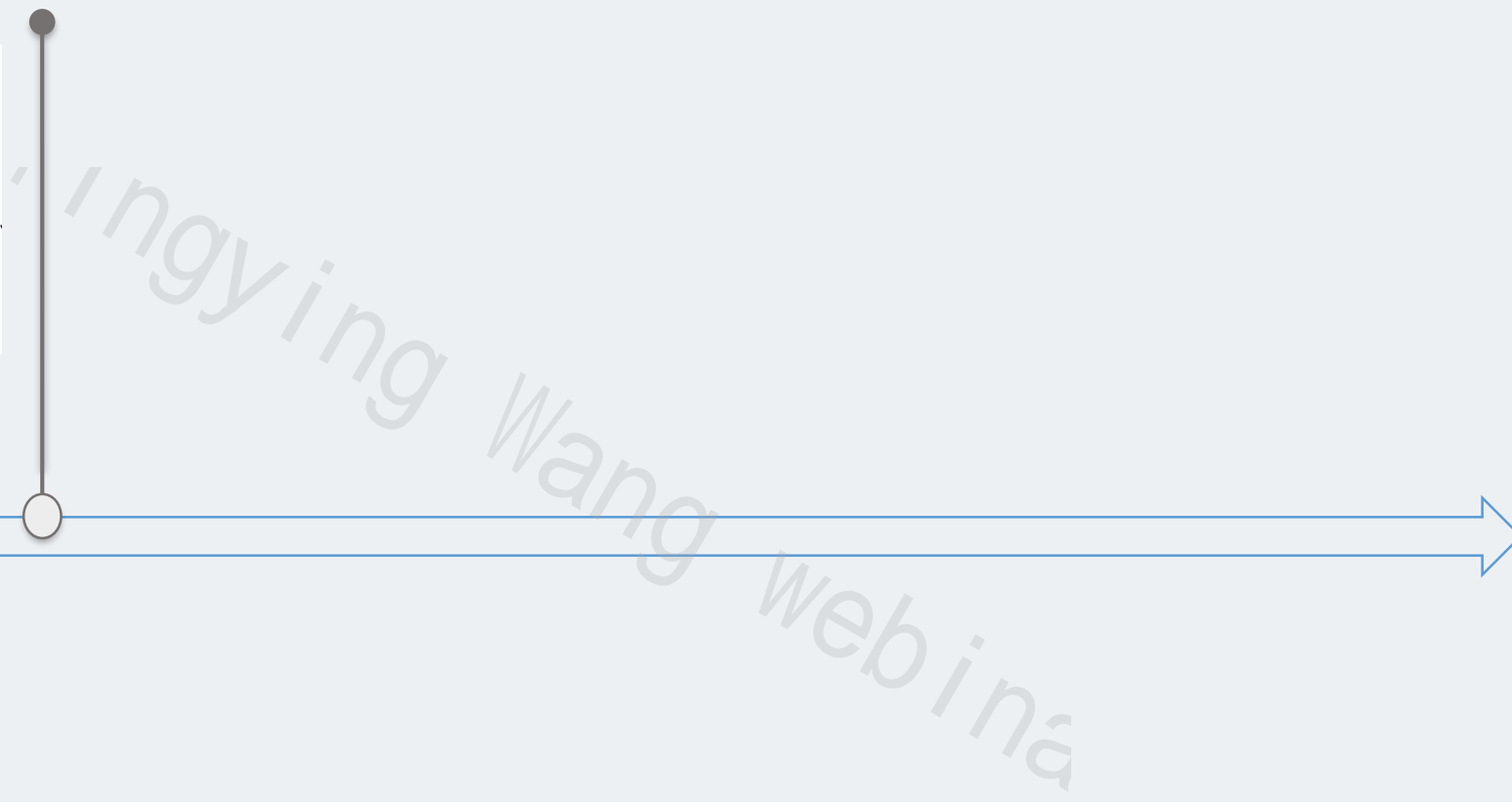
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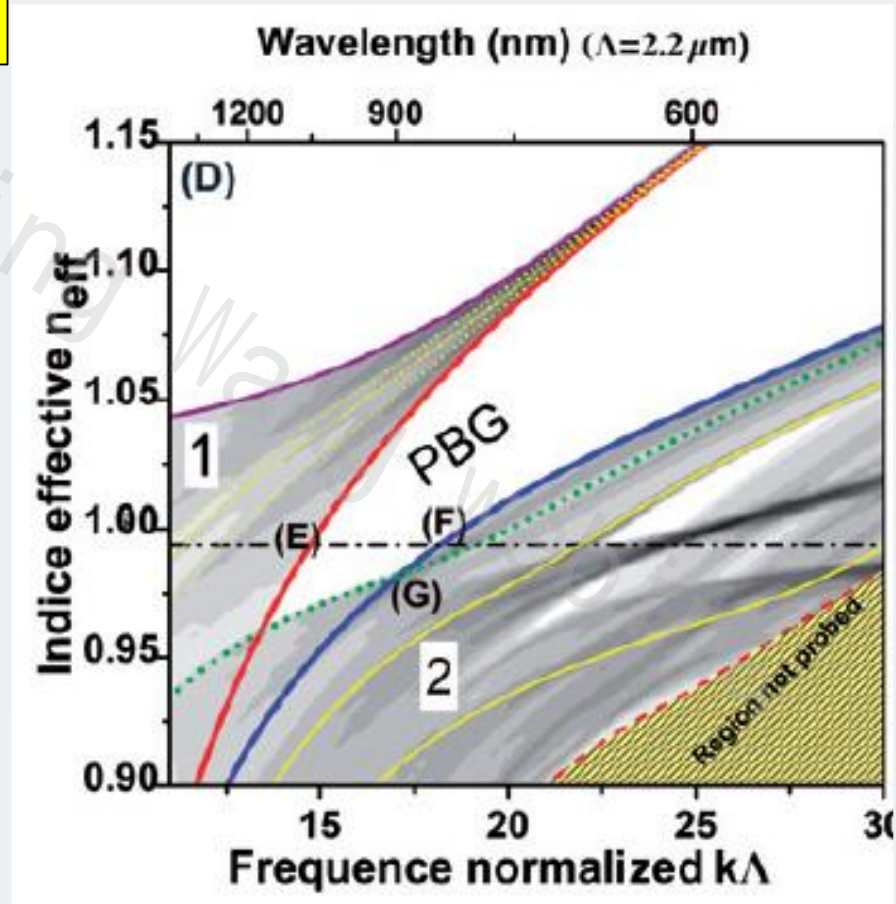
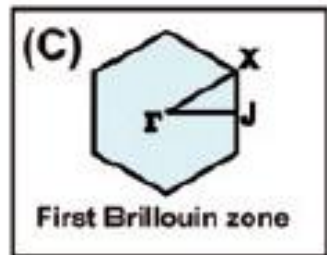
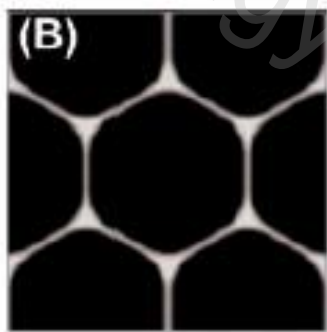


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✓ Zero density of states in photonic bandgap region =>

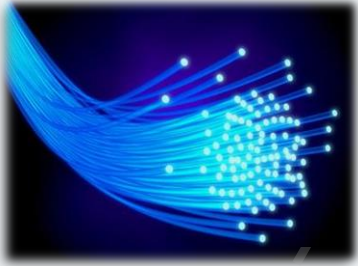
unlimited low loss ???



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Solid VS Hollow Fiber



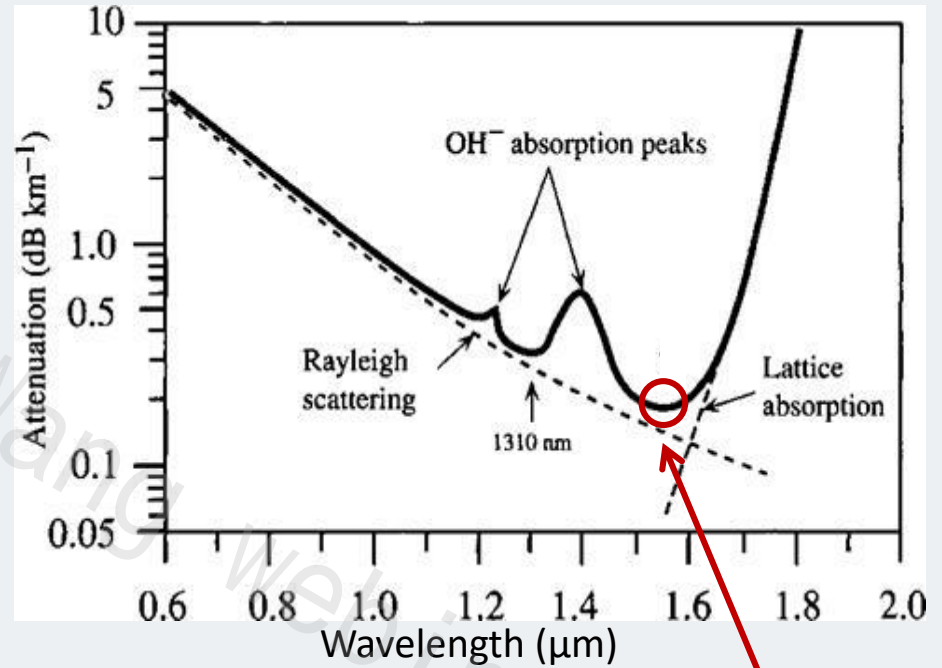
Loss Origin

Ultraviolet absorption

Infrared absorption

Rayleigh Scattering

OH^- absorption

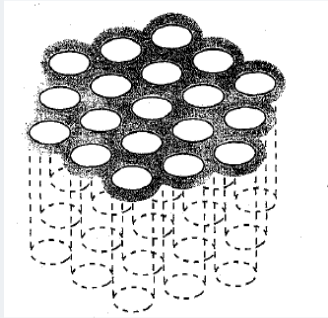


Dry air: 10^{-3} reduction
in RSL limit

Rayleigh scattering
limit of fused silica

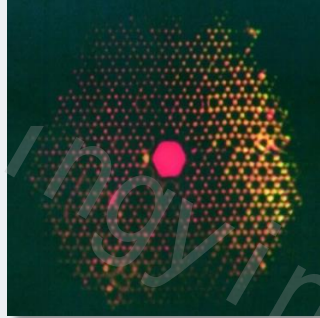
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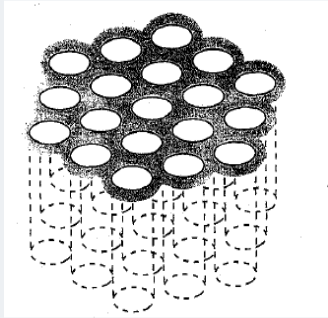
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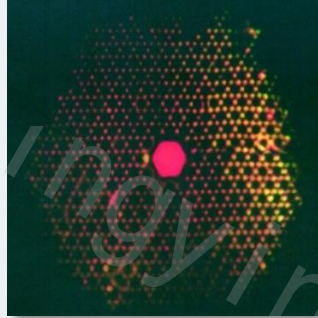
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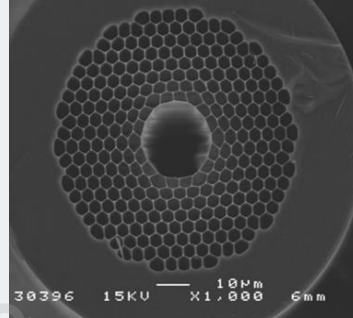
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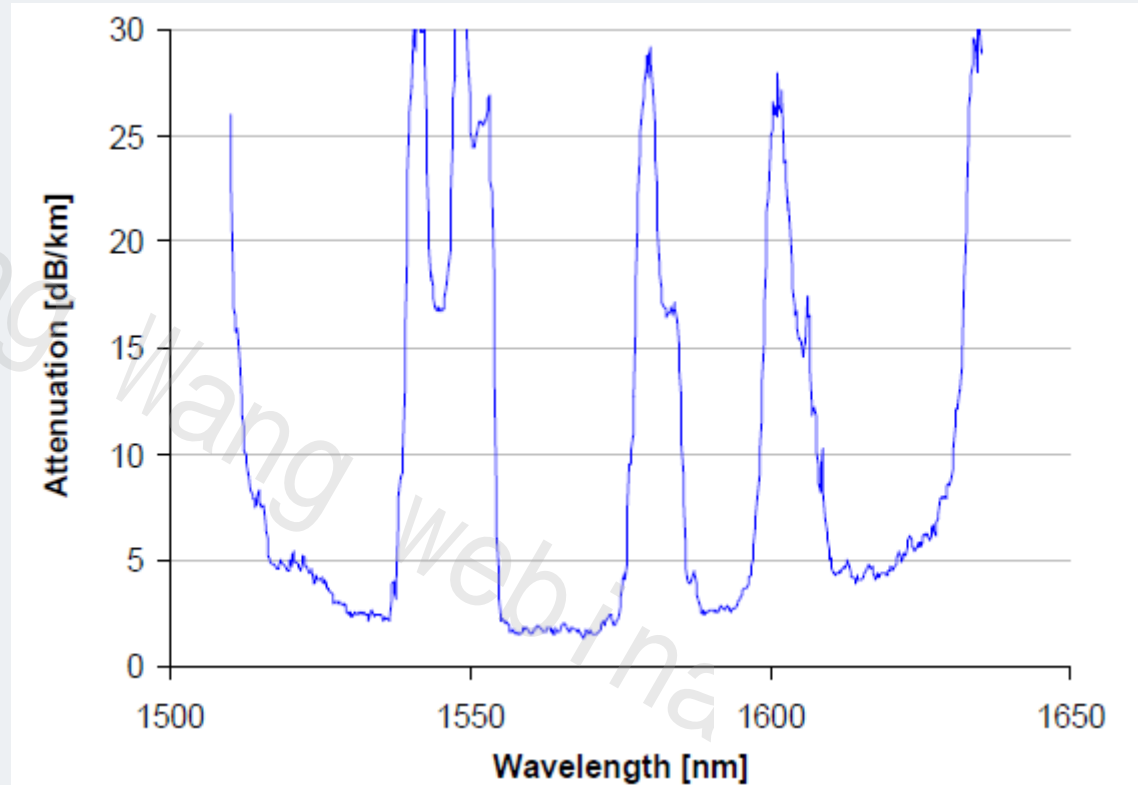
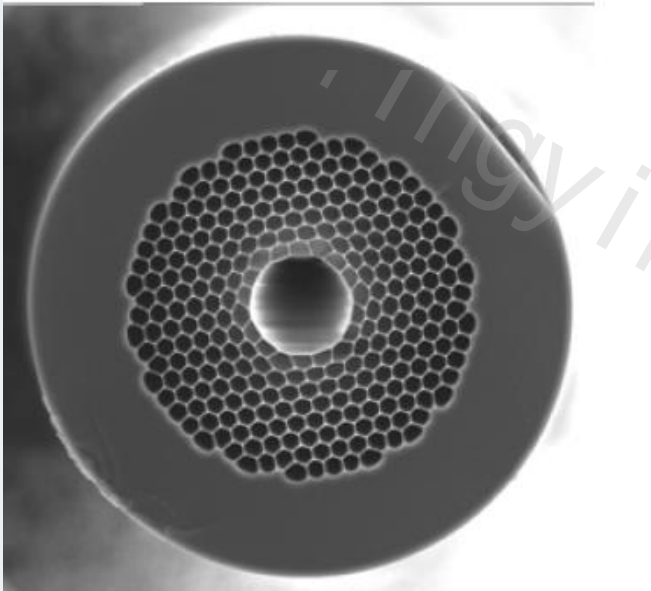
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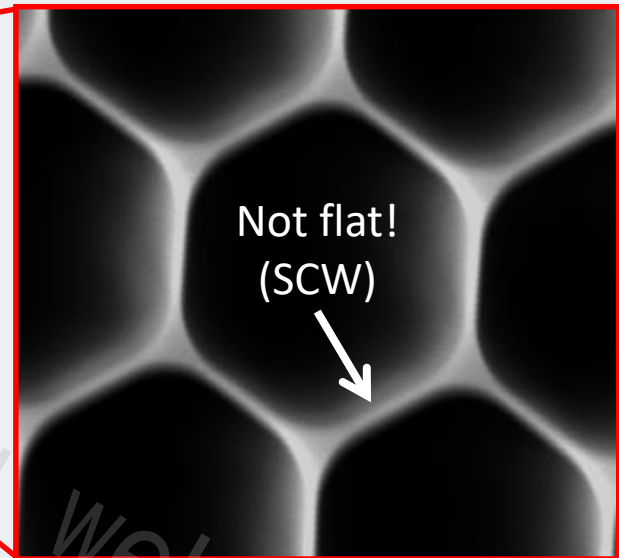
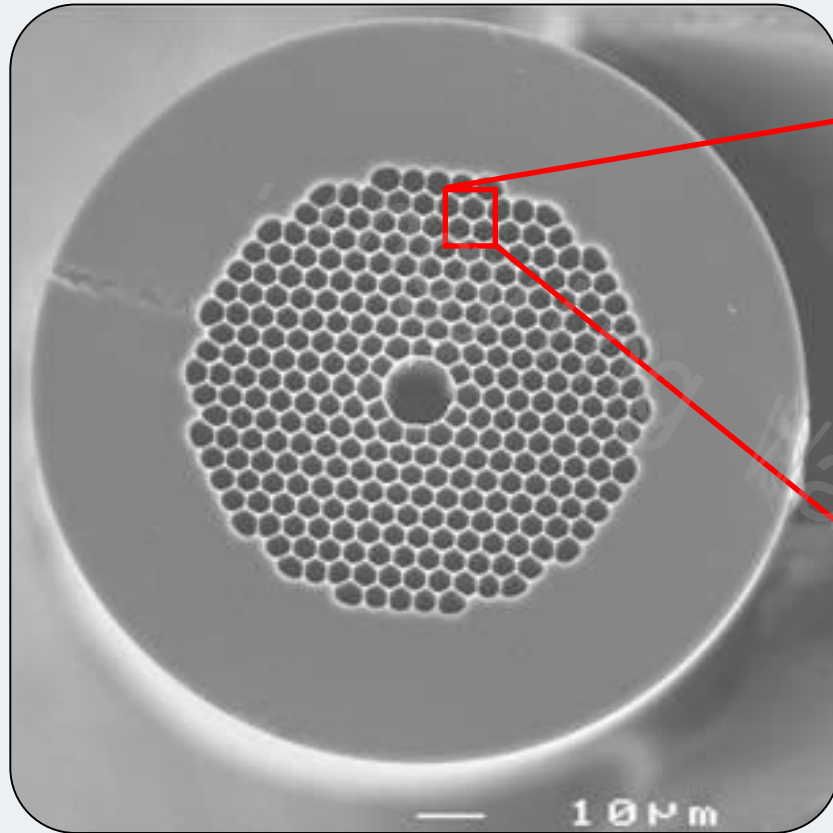
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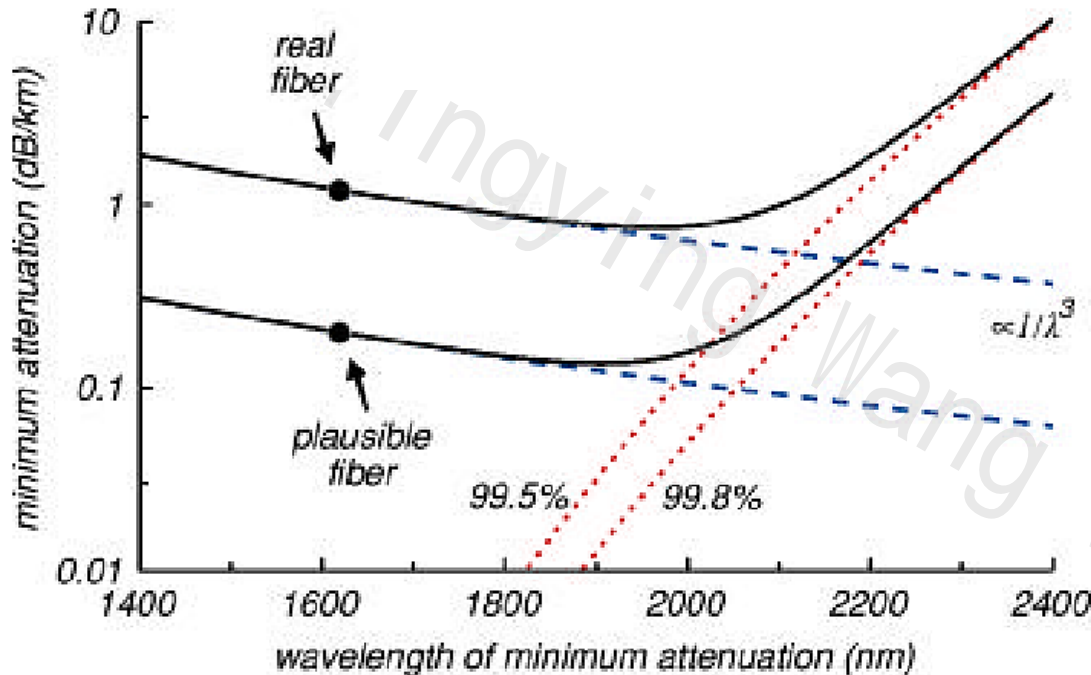
An important finding in 2005: Surface scattering loss (SSL)

PCF Cladding



Phase-matching across
interfaces is not strictly
preserved!

◆ Surface Scattering Loss: Fundamental Limit



Possible Solution?

2 μ m wavelength?

37 Cell?

Structure optimization?

Key Issues

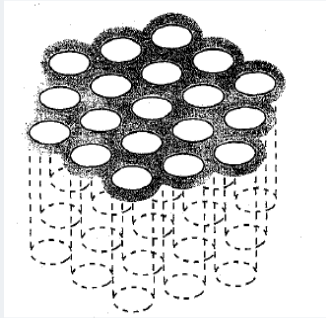
Surface Scattering Loss

Surface mode

Only 99.8% of light in air

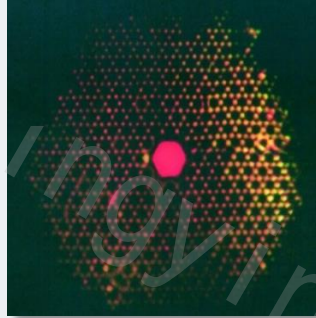
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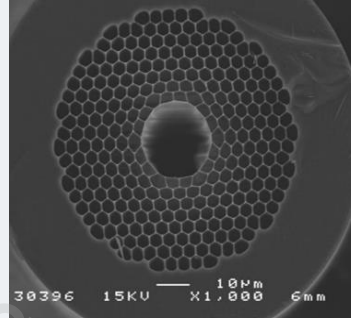
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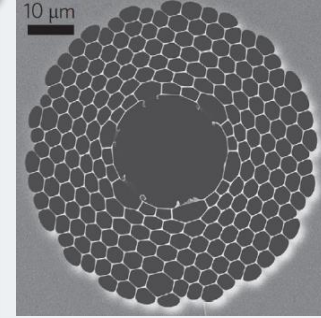
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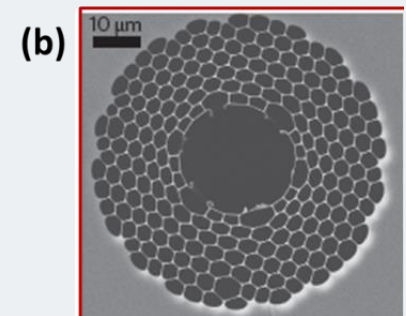
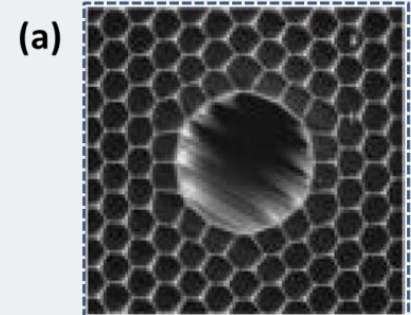
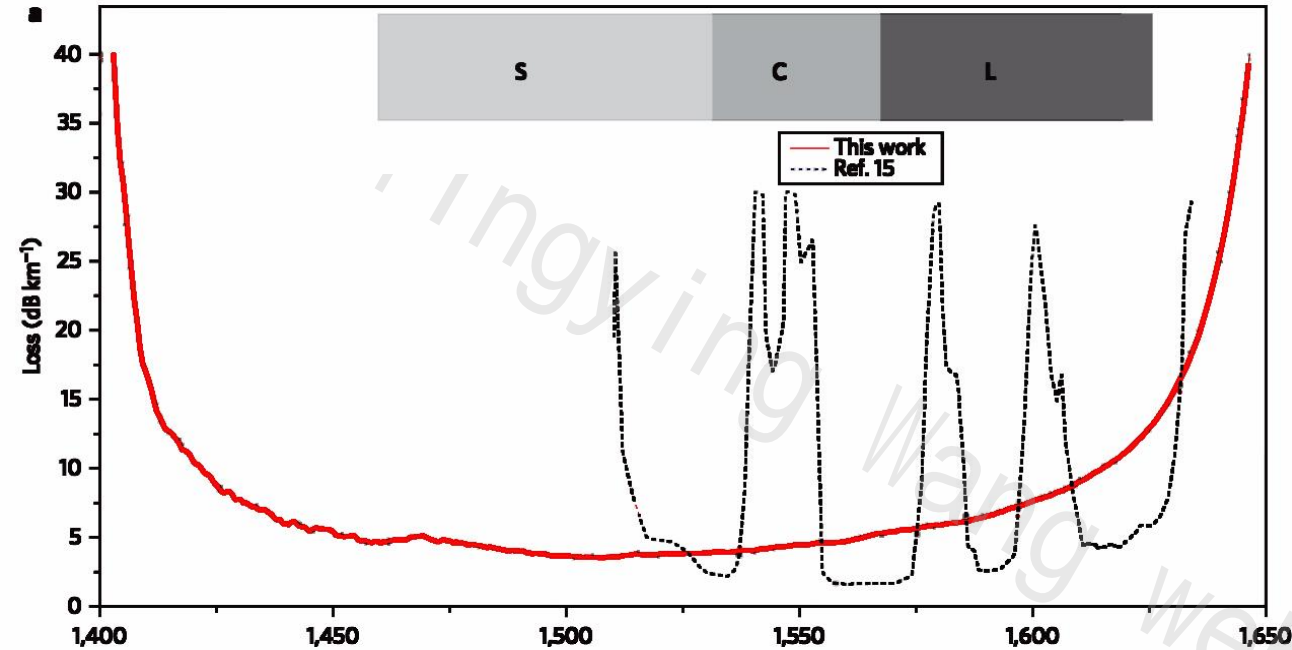
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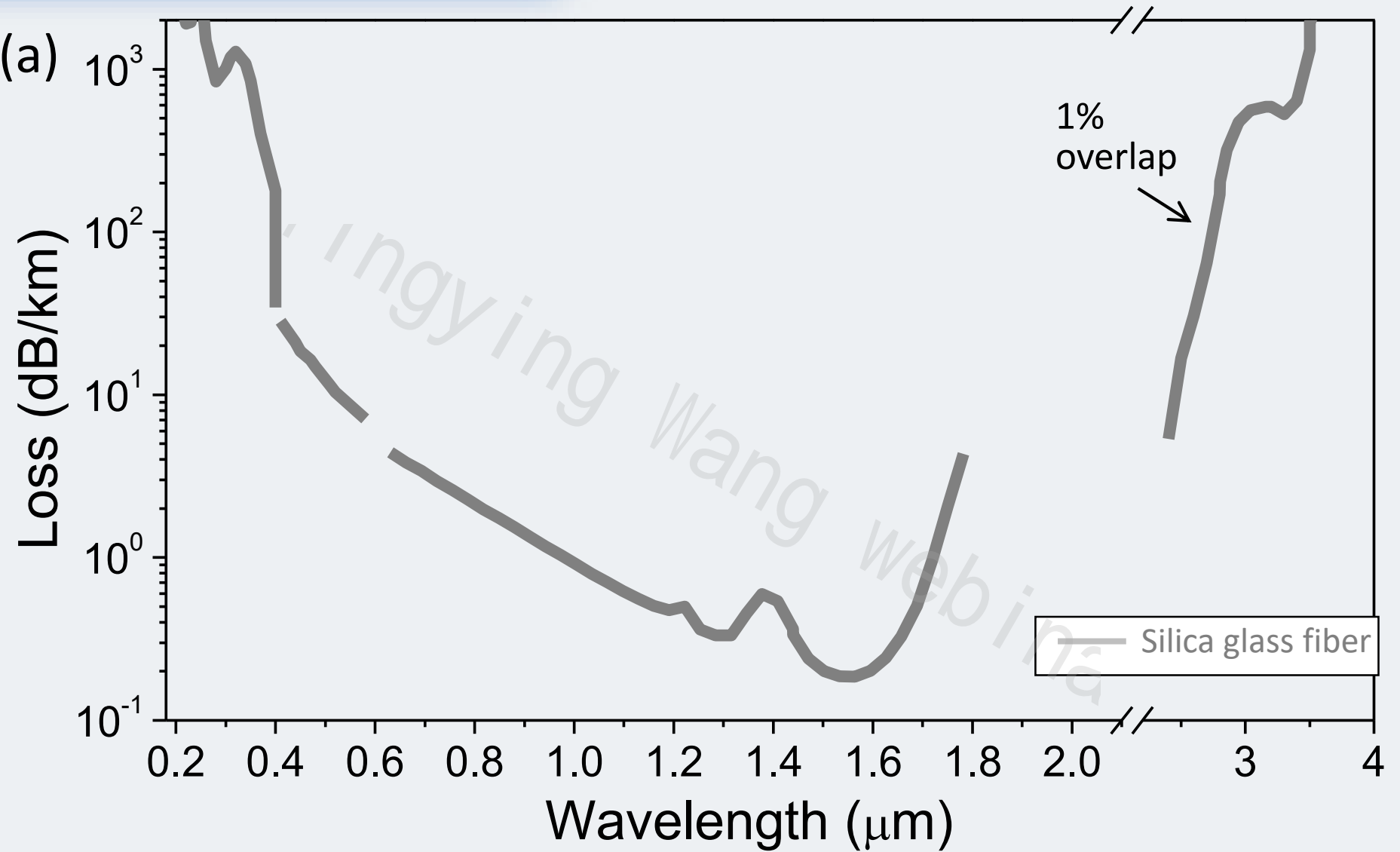


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2013	3.5dB/km@1550nm	160nm (32THz)

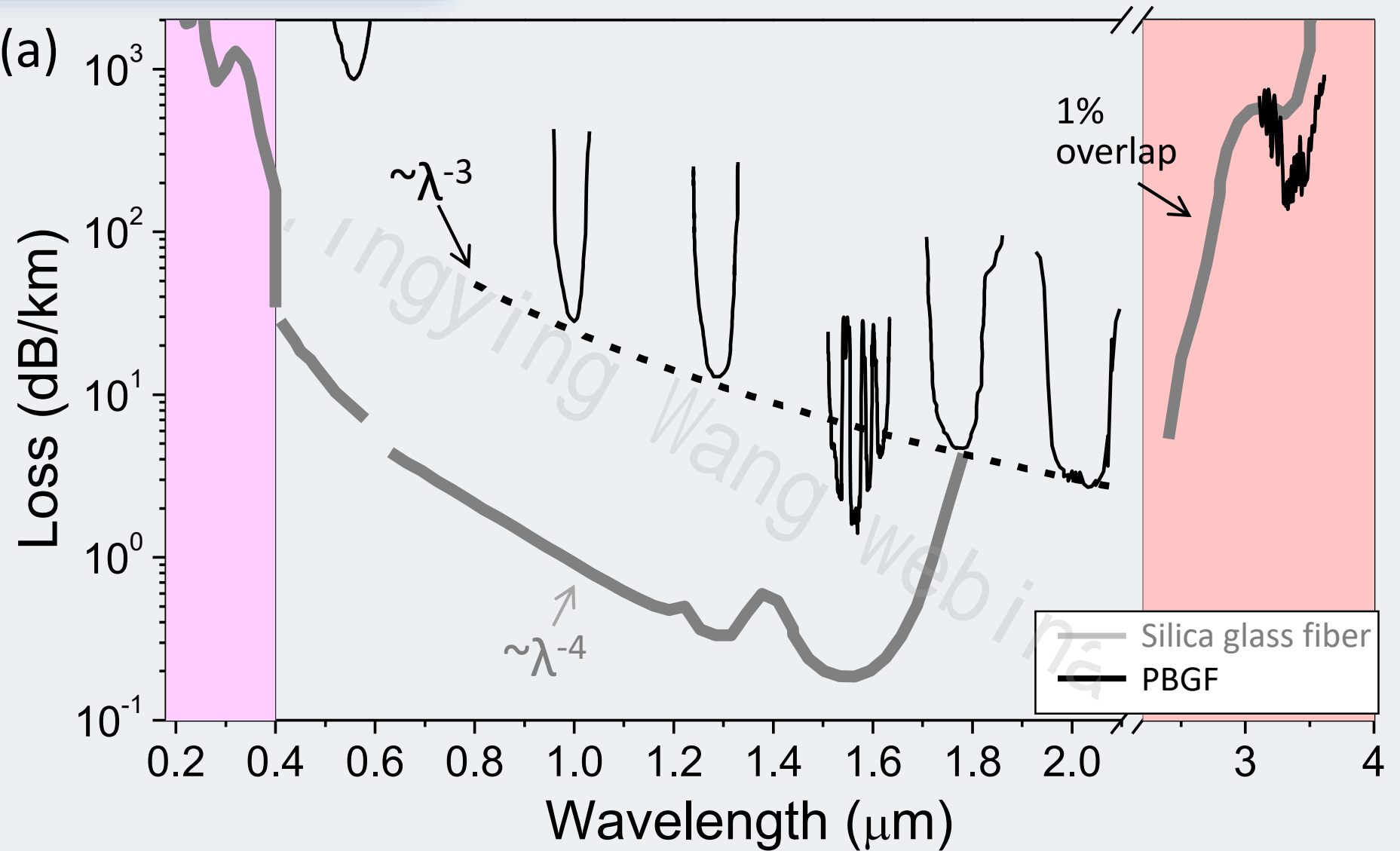
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Loss record of silica glass fiber

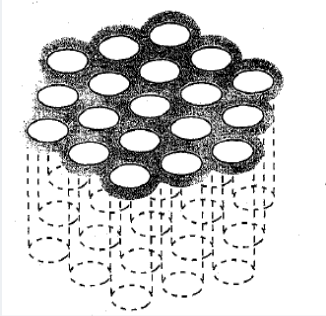


Loss achieved in PBGF



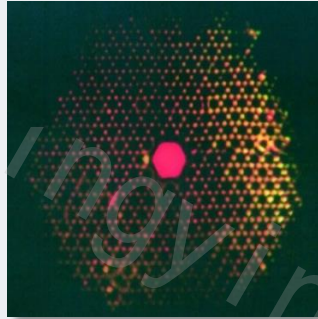
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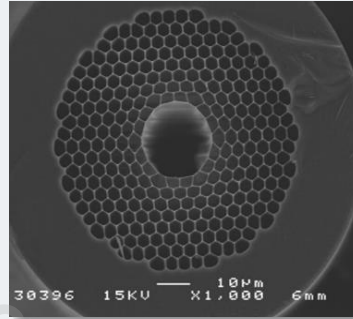
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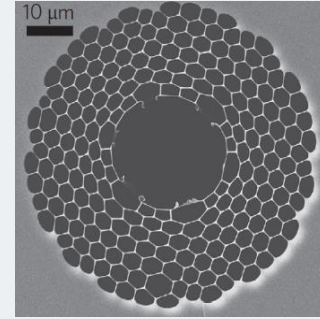
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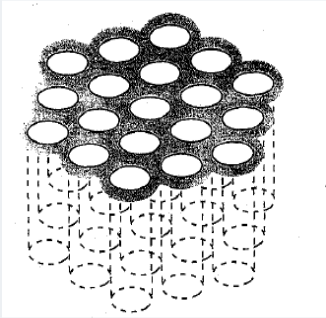
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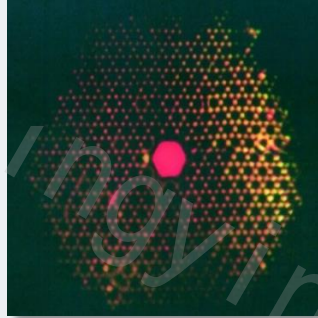
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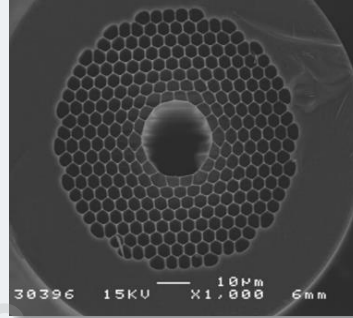
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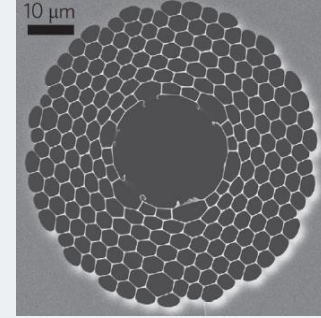
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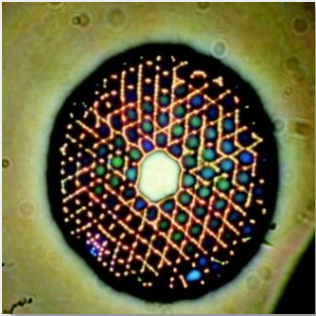


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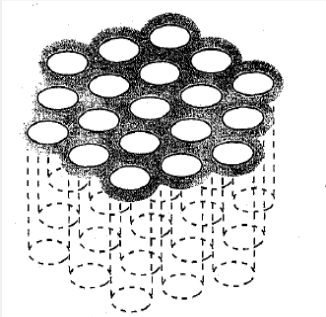
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1st Kagome type
HCF

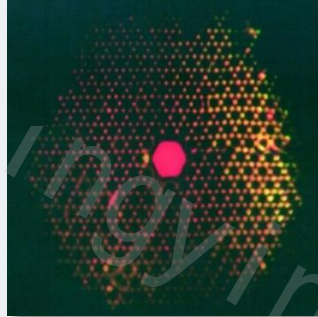
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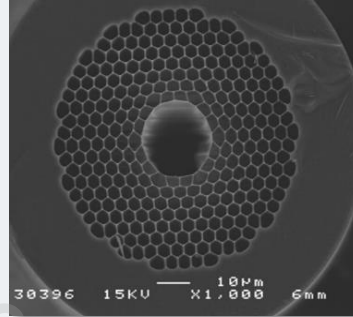
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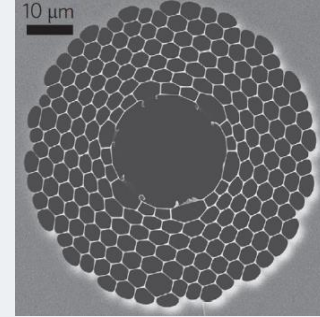
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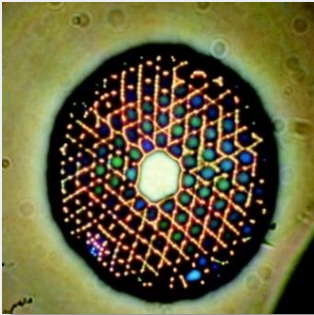


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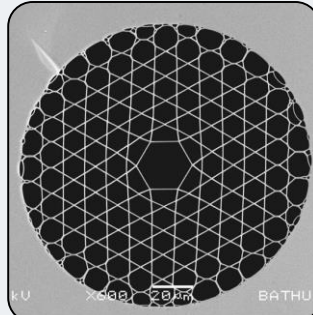
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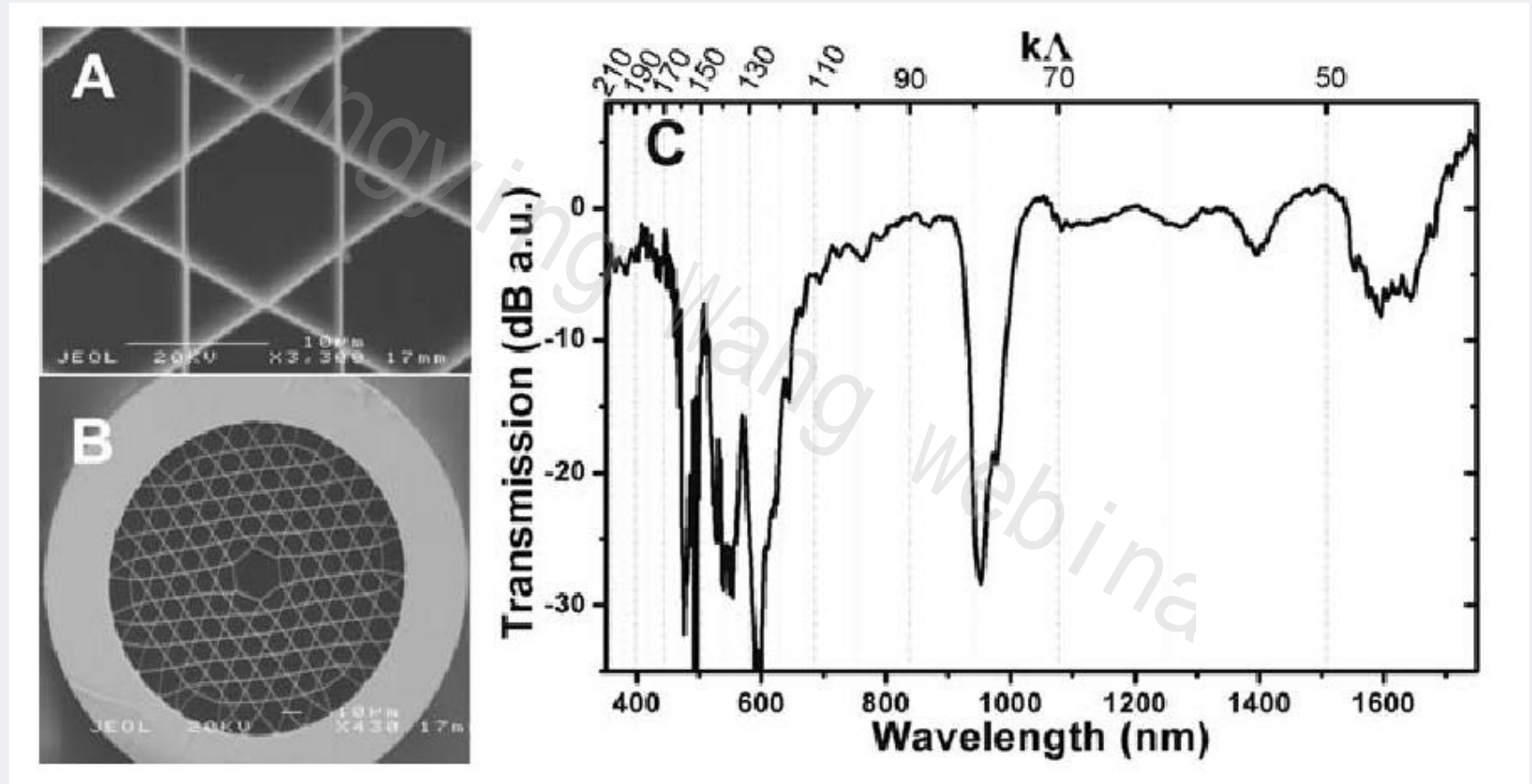
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Large pitch
Kagome

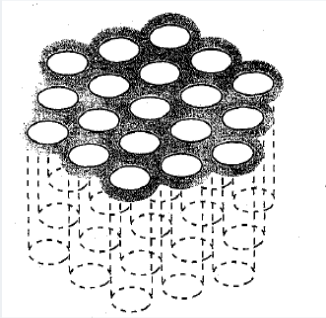
Kagome HCF in 2005

- ◆ Broadband guidance
- ◆ High loss (~ 1 dB/m)



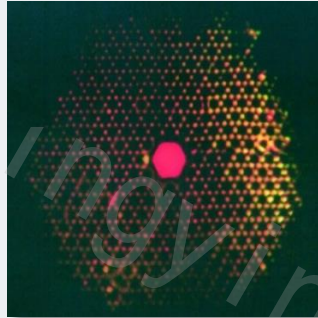
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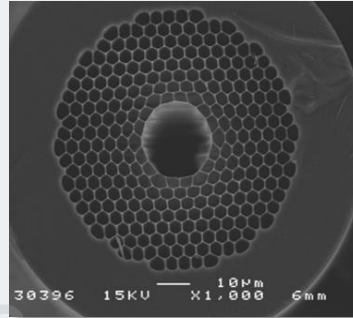
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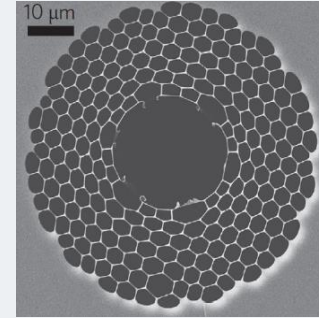
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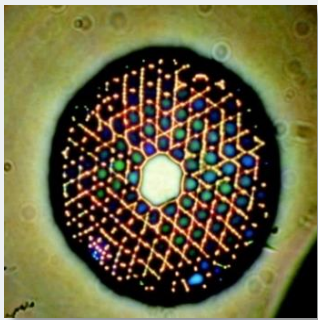


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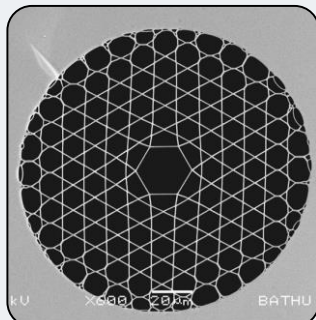
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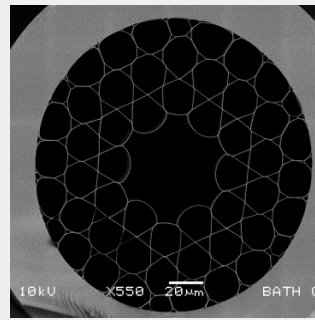
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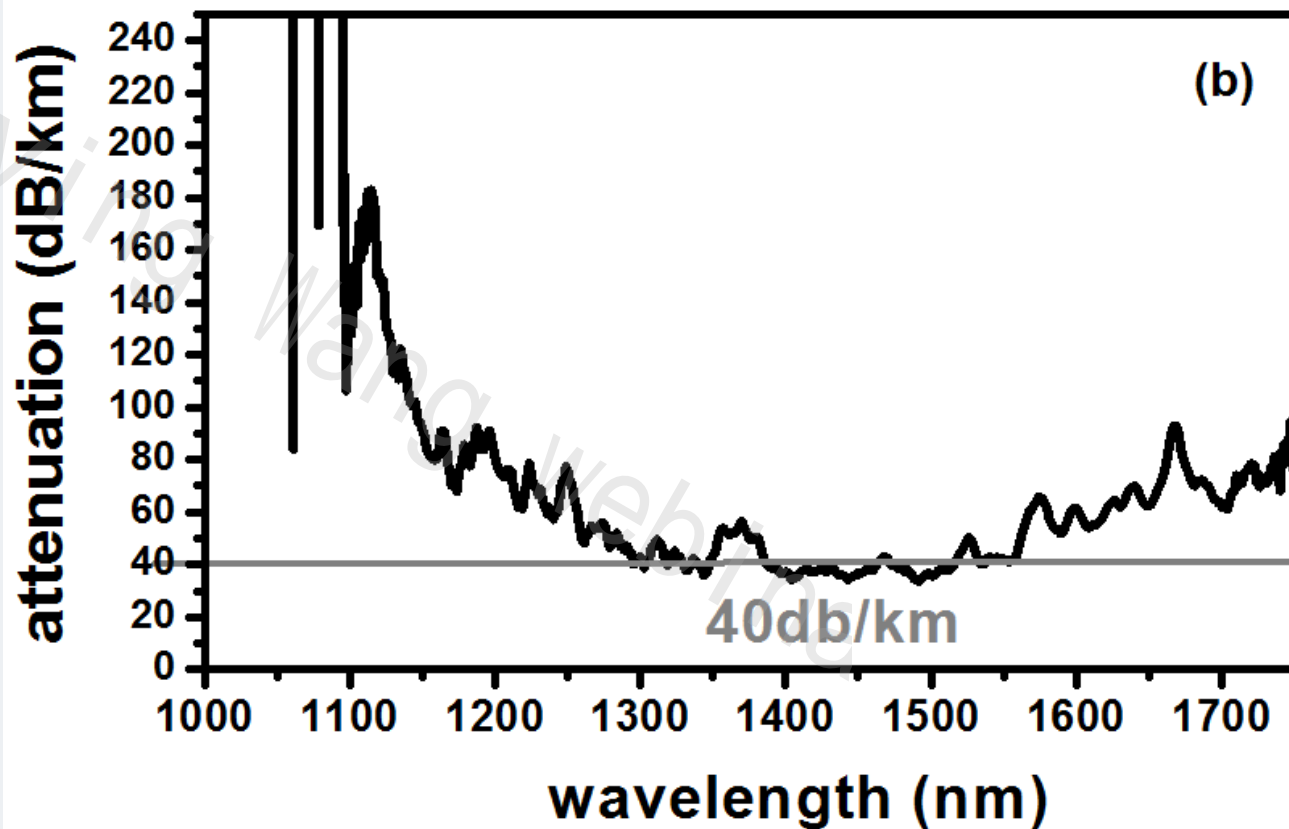
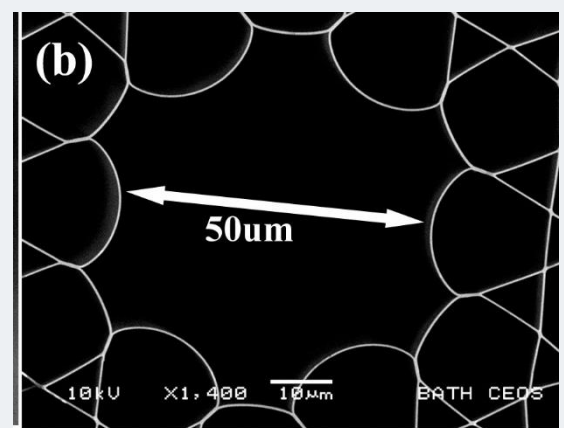
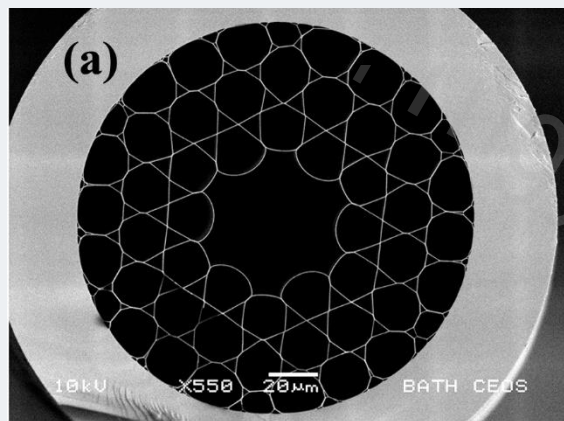
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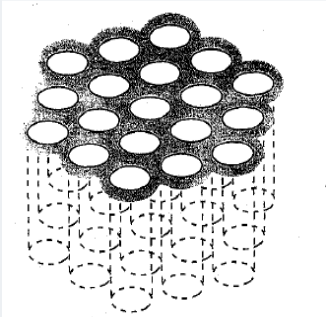
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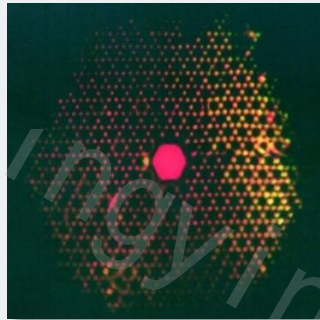
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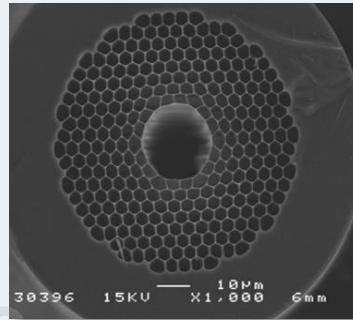
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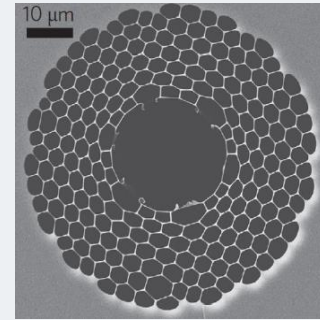
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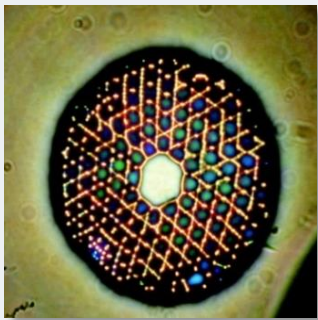


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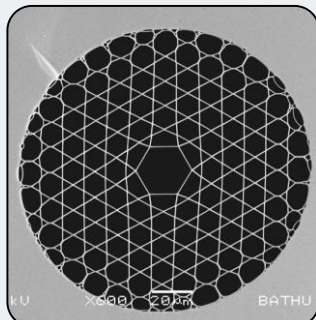
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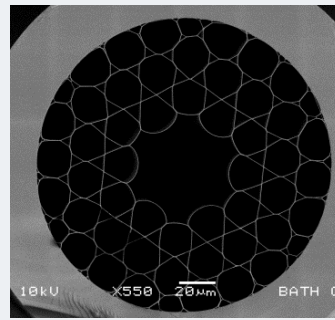
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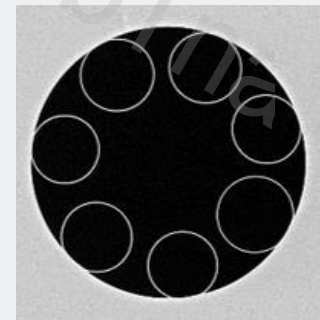
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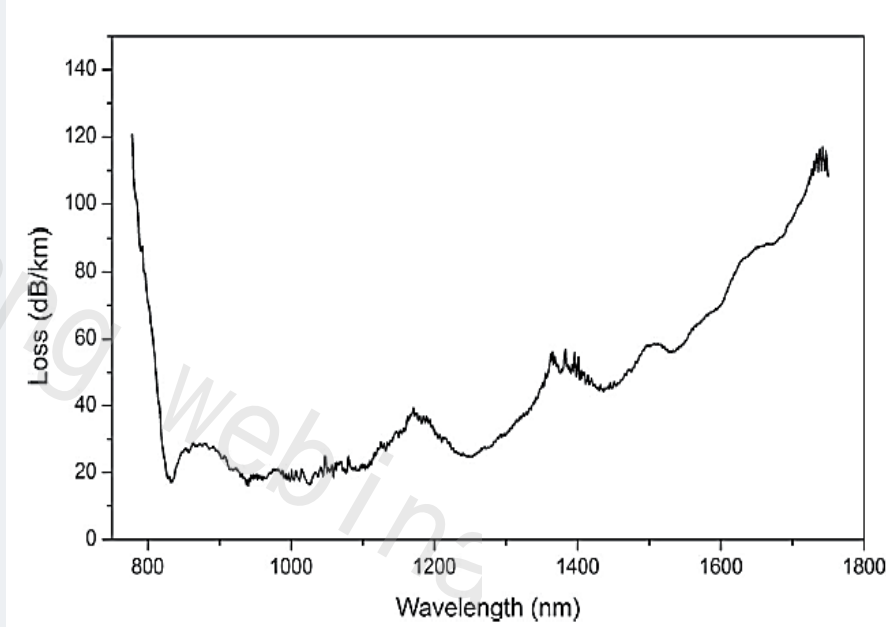
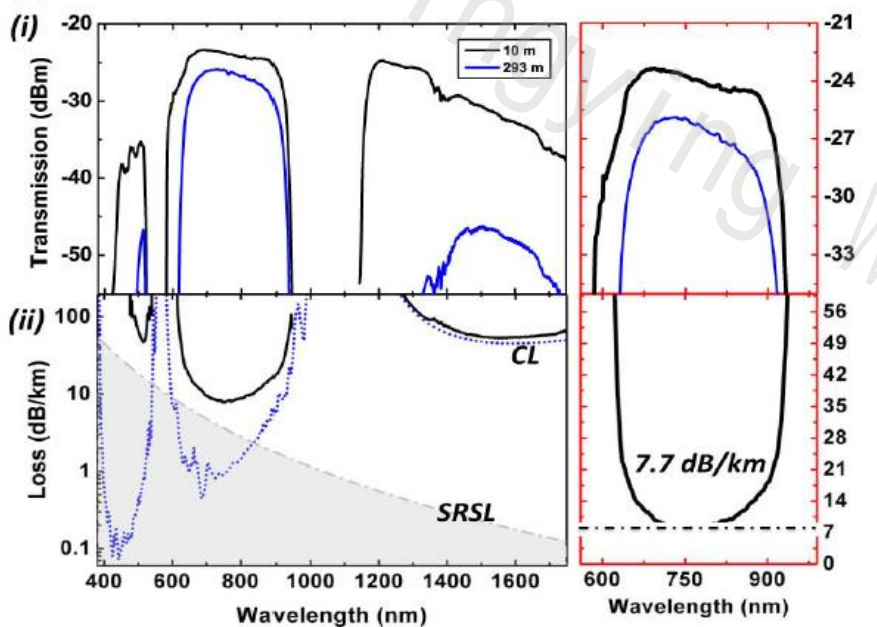
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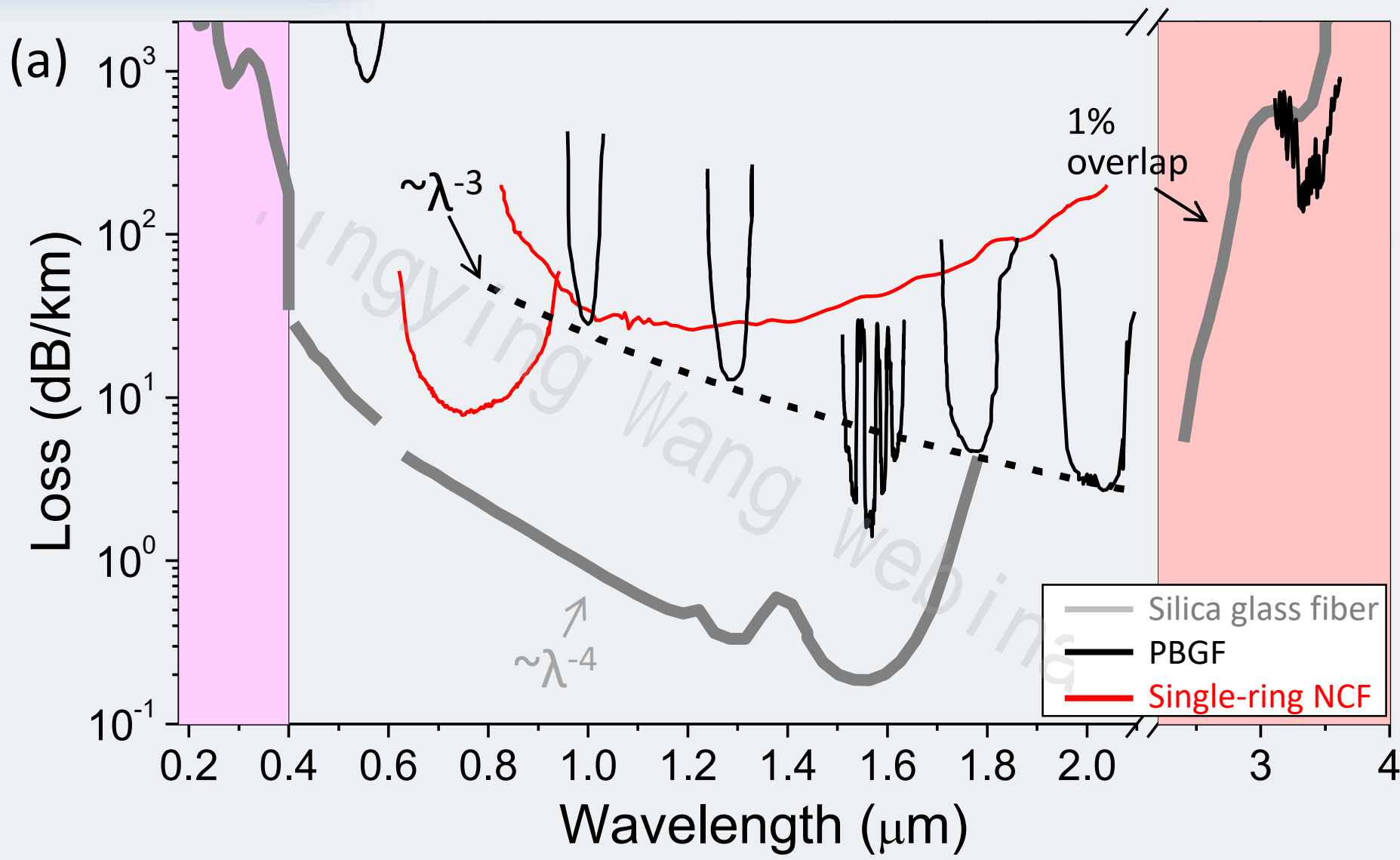
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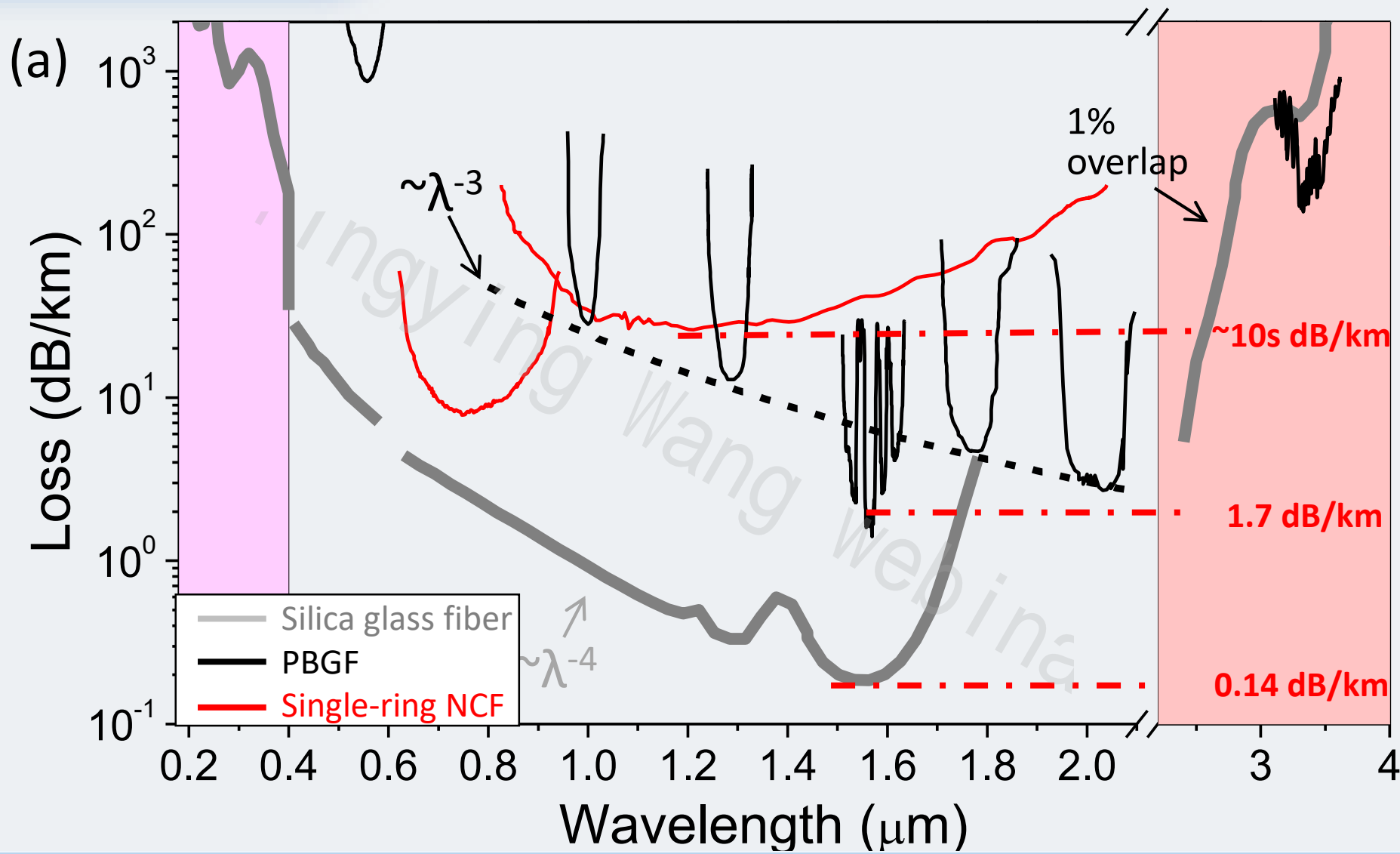
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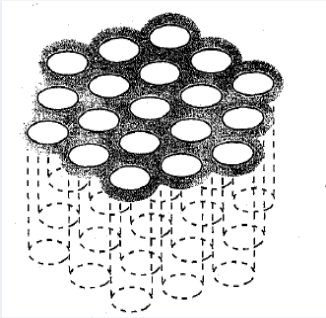
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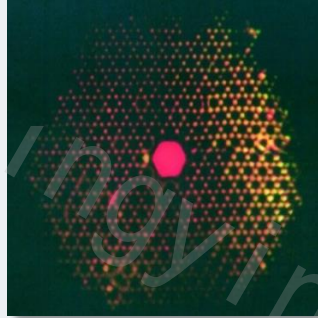
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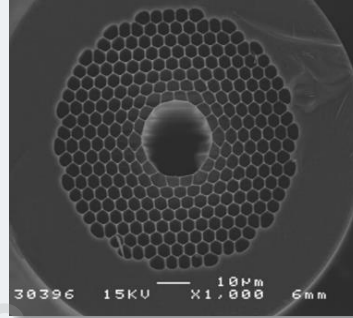
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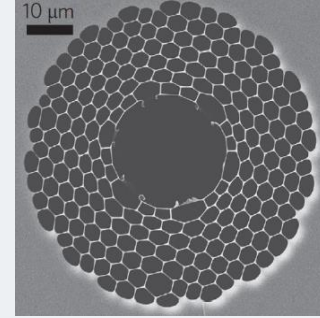
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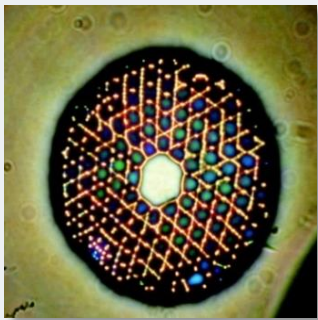


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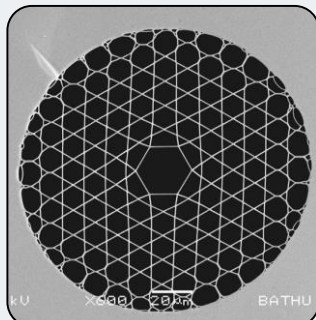
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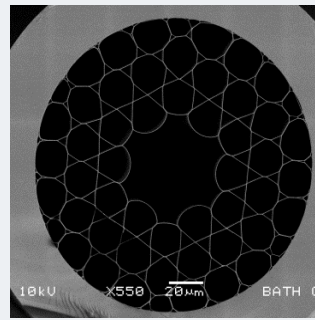
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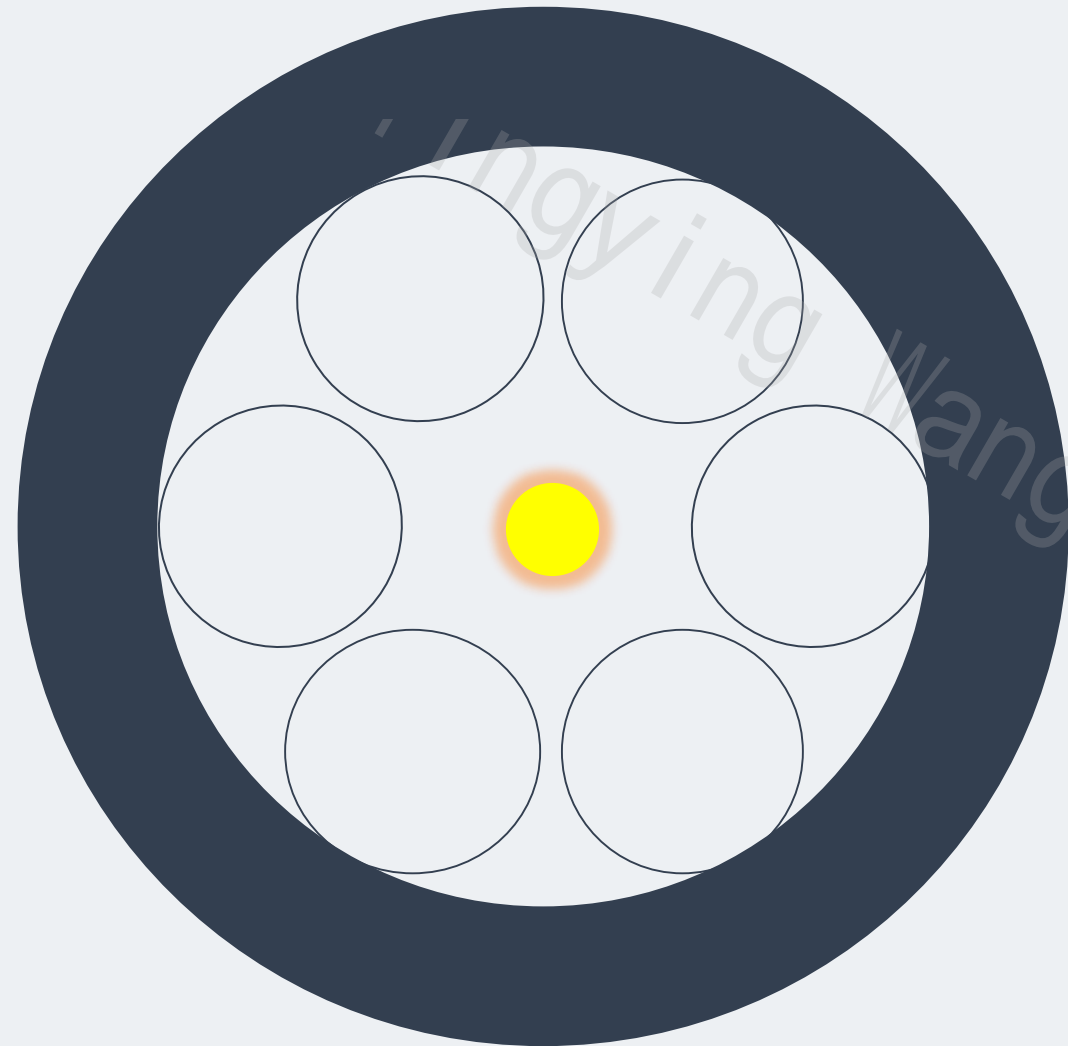
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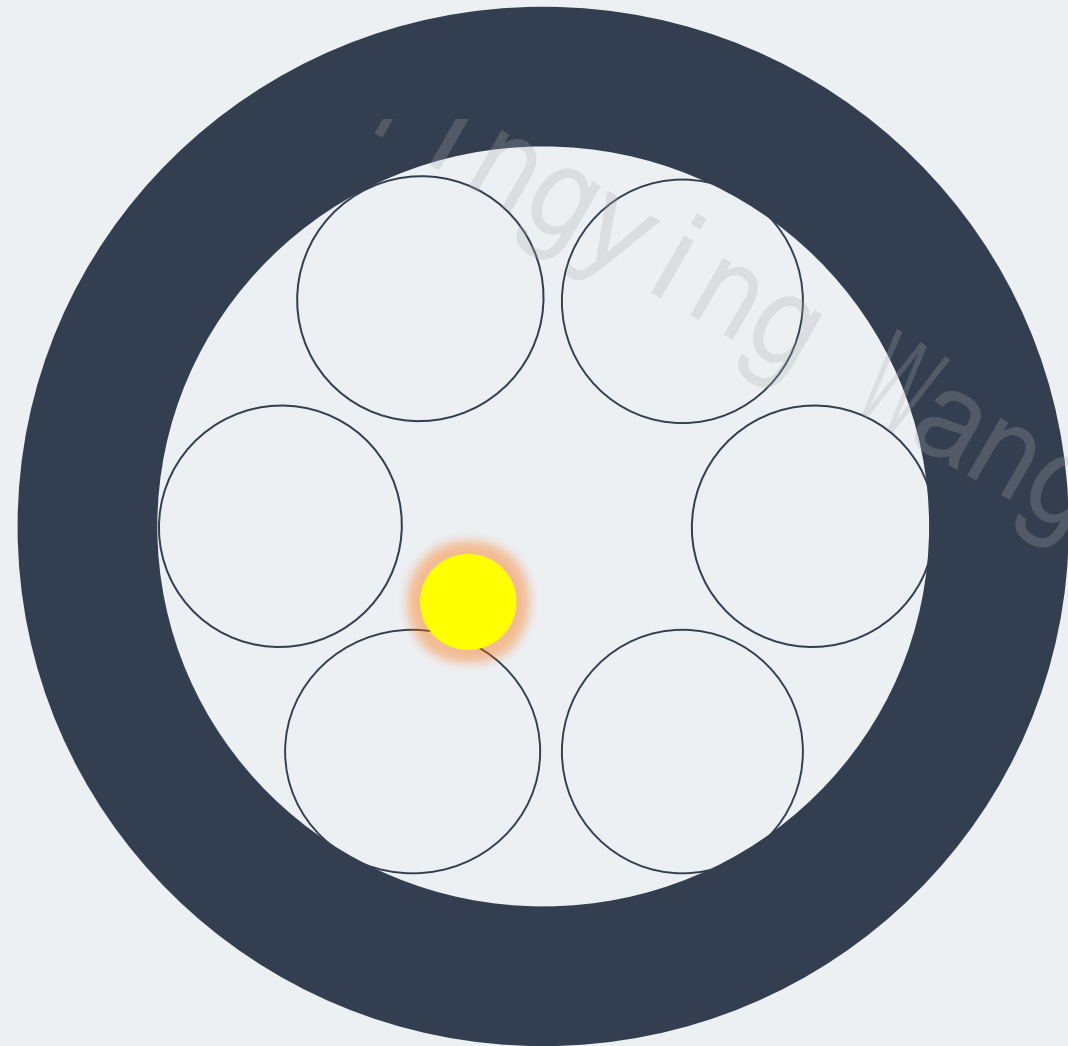
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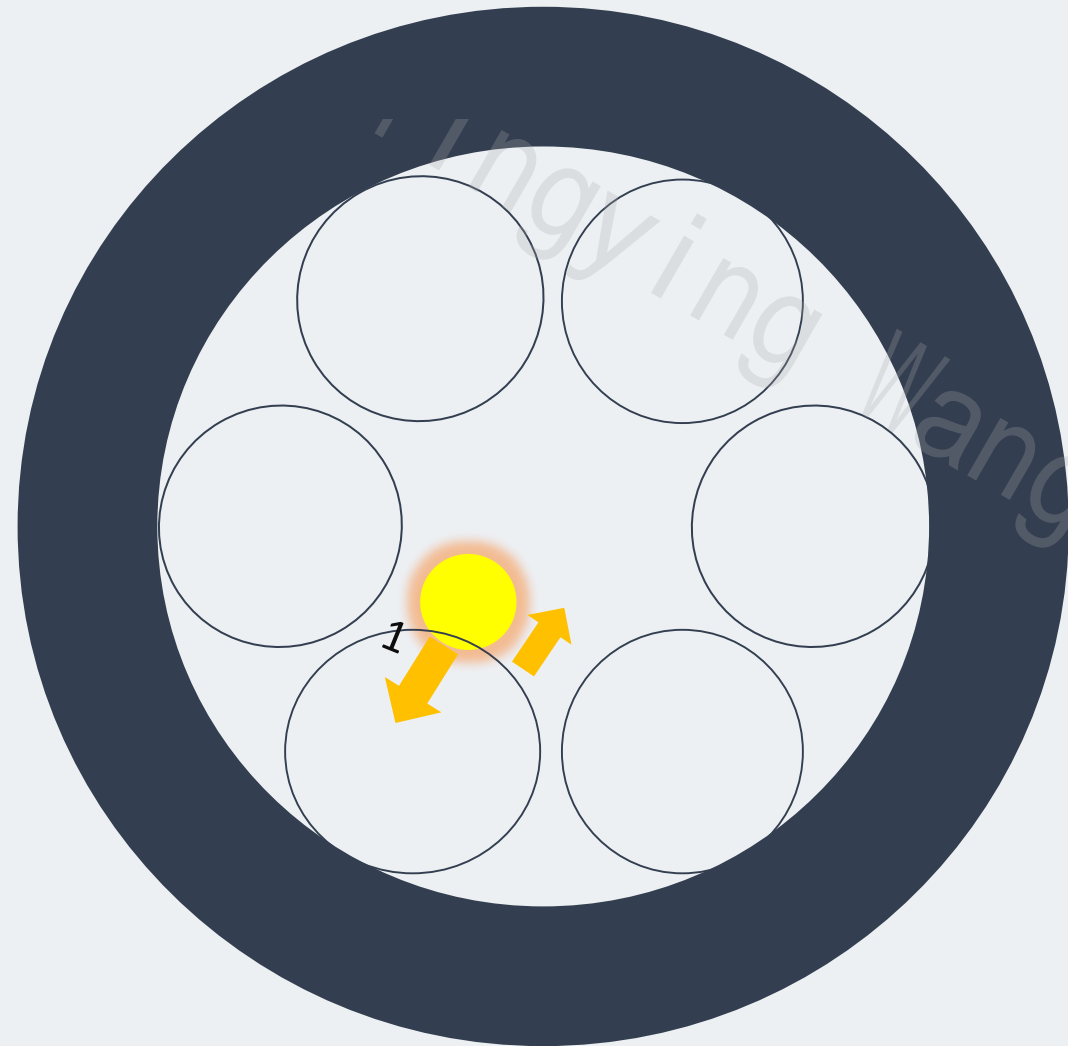
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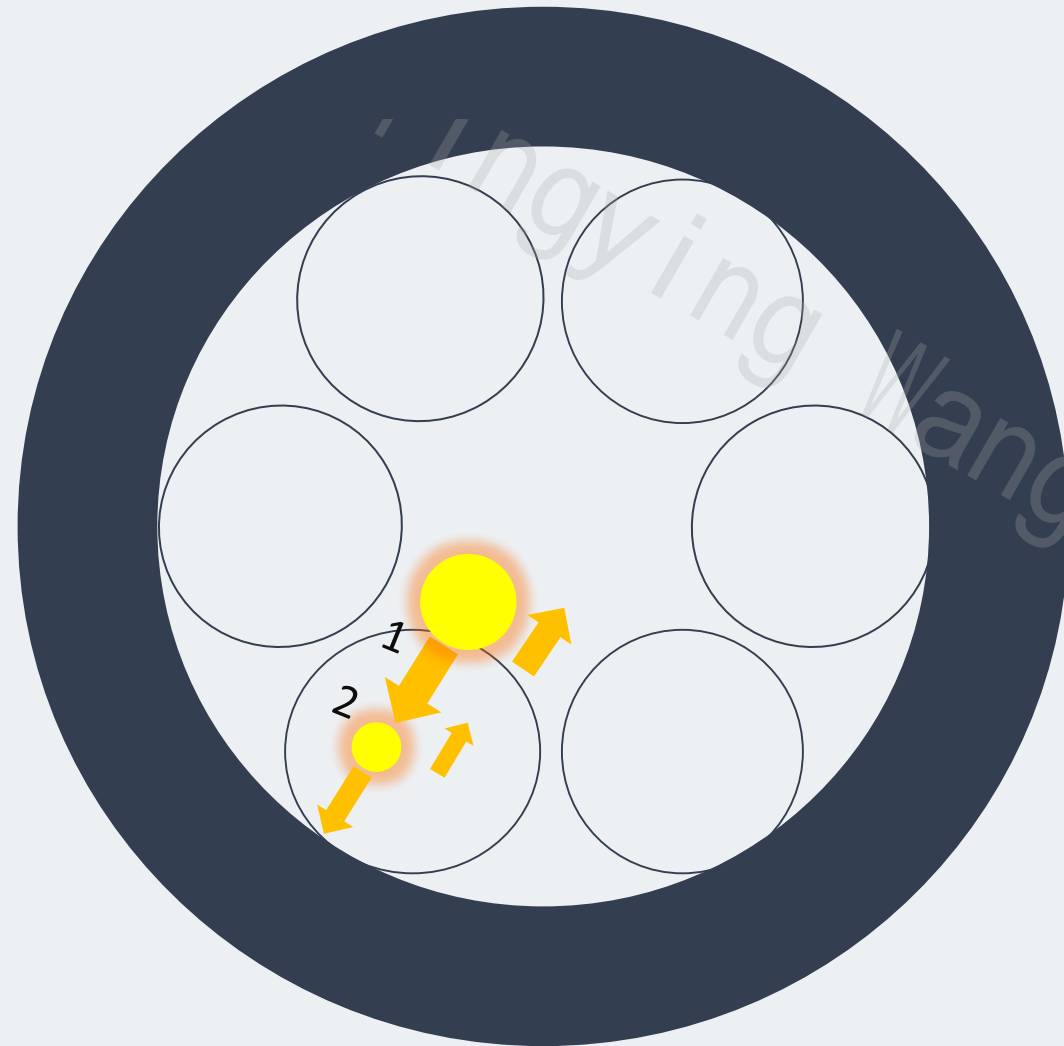
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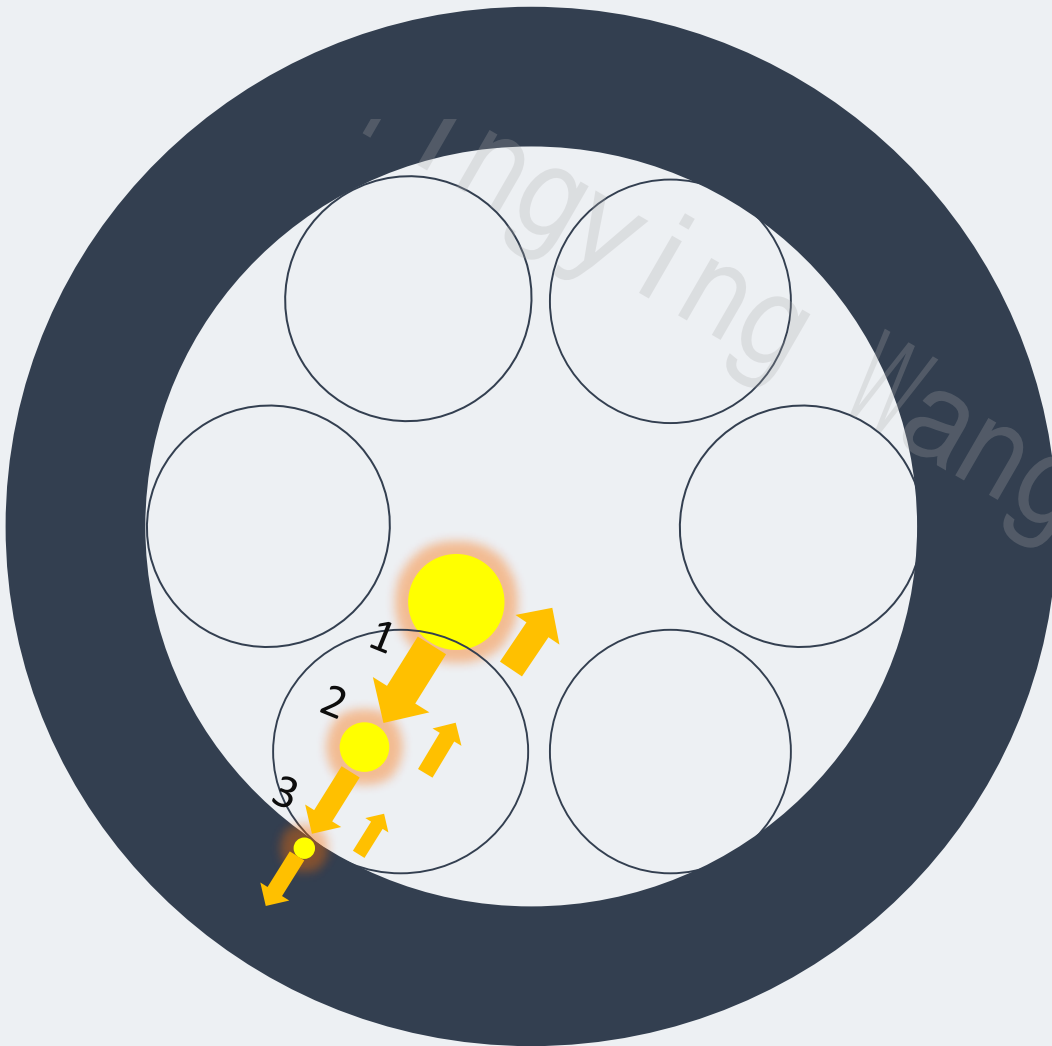
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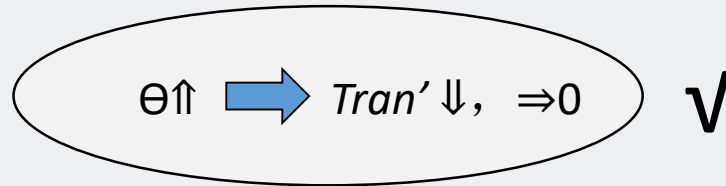
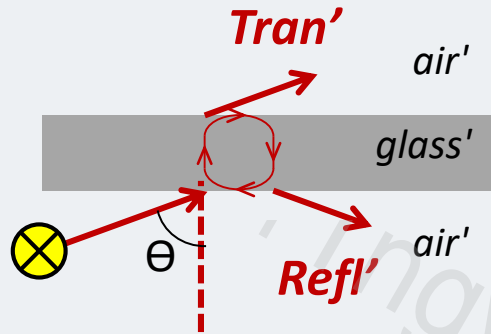
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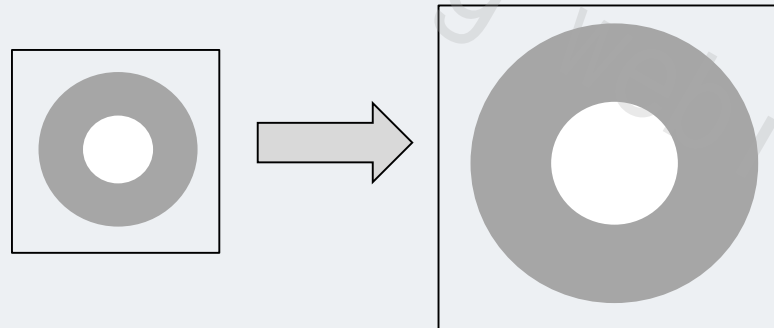
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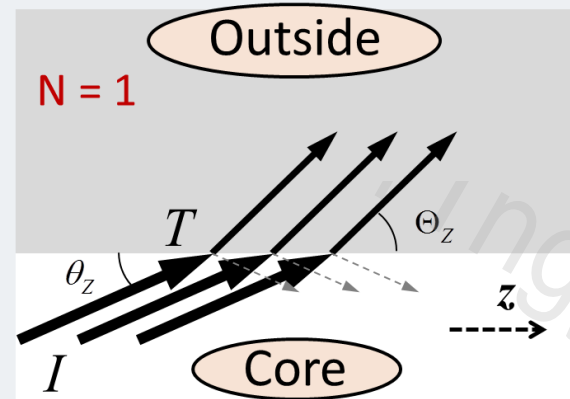


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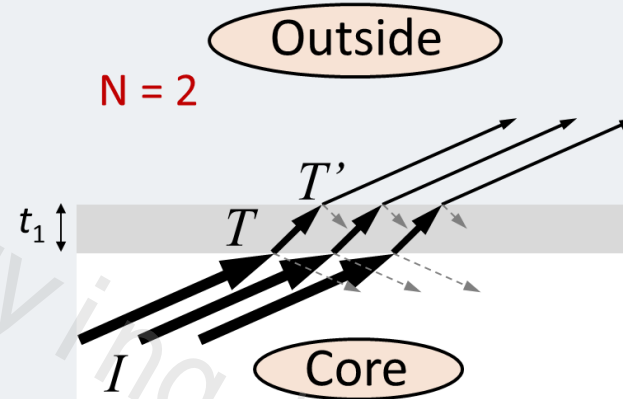


Bigger core size => lower confinement loss 😊 => larger bending loss ☹️

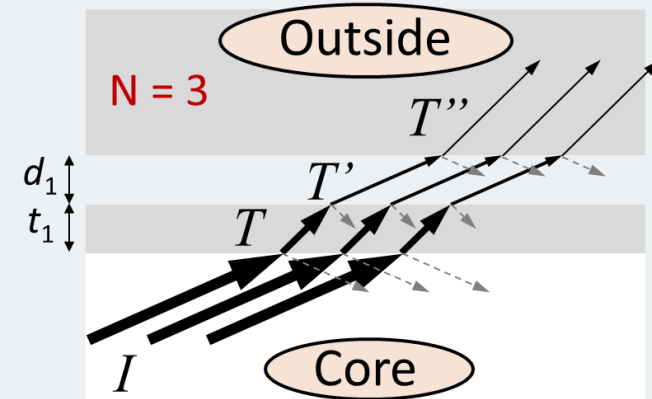
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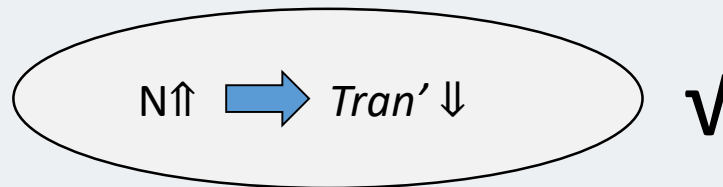
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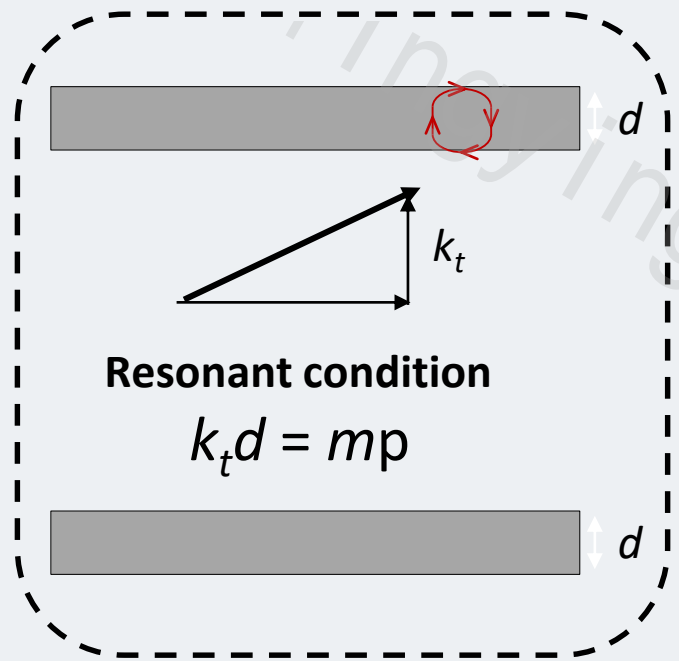


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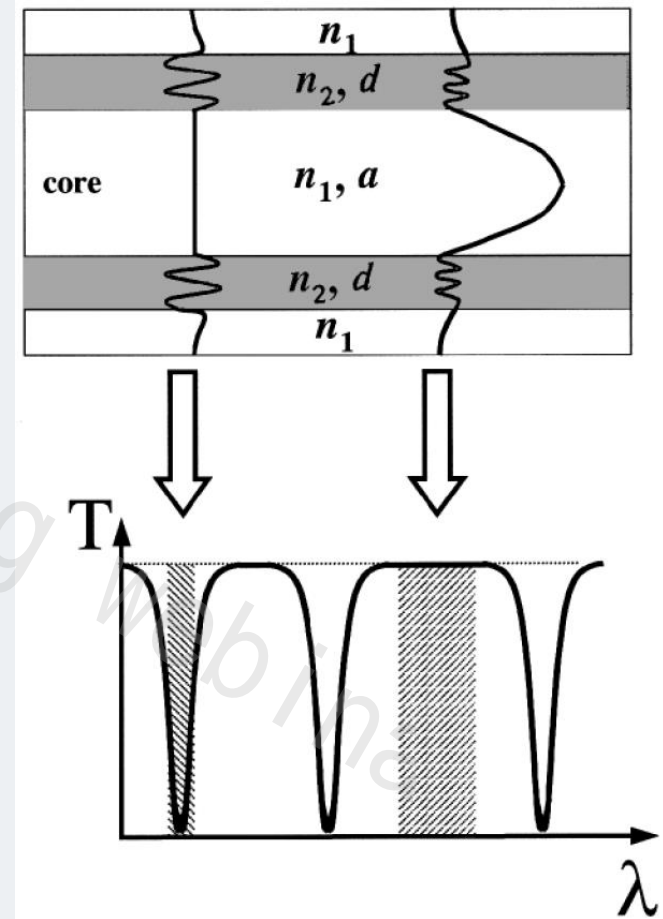
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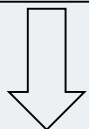
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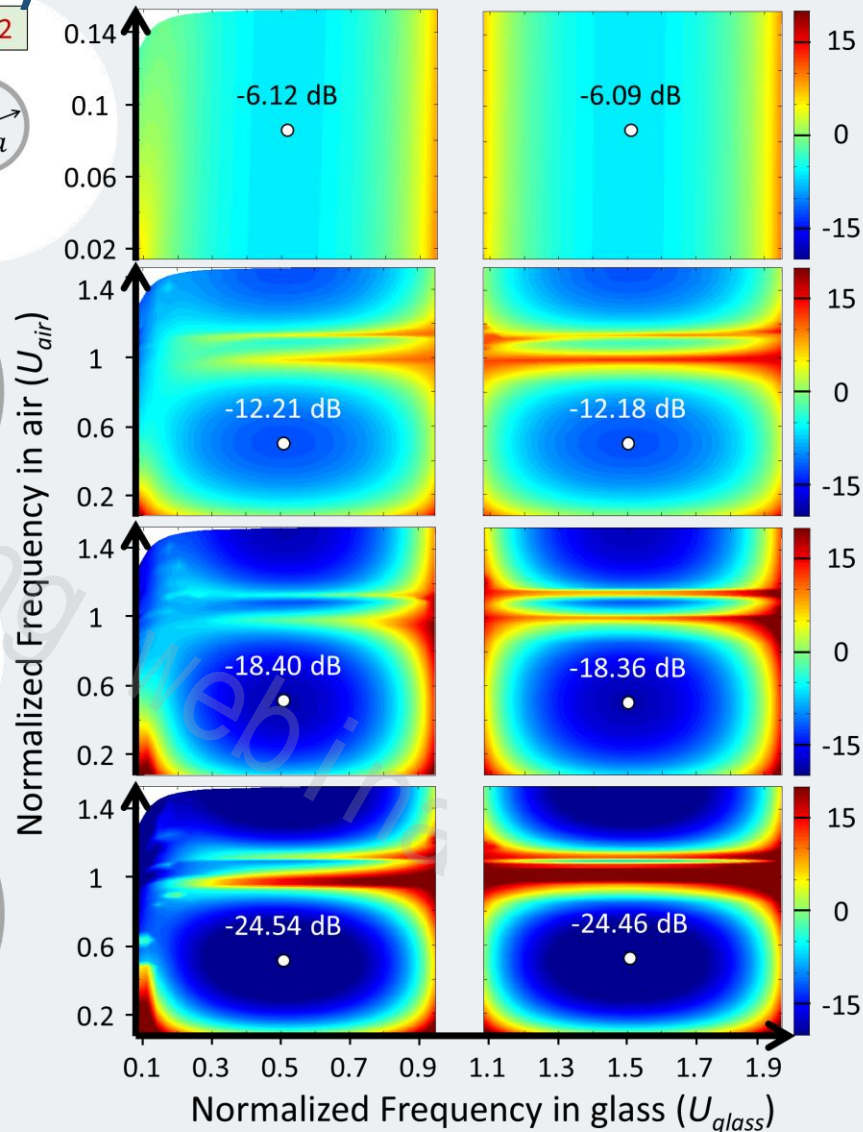
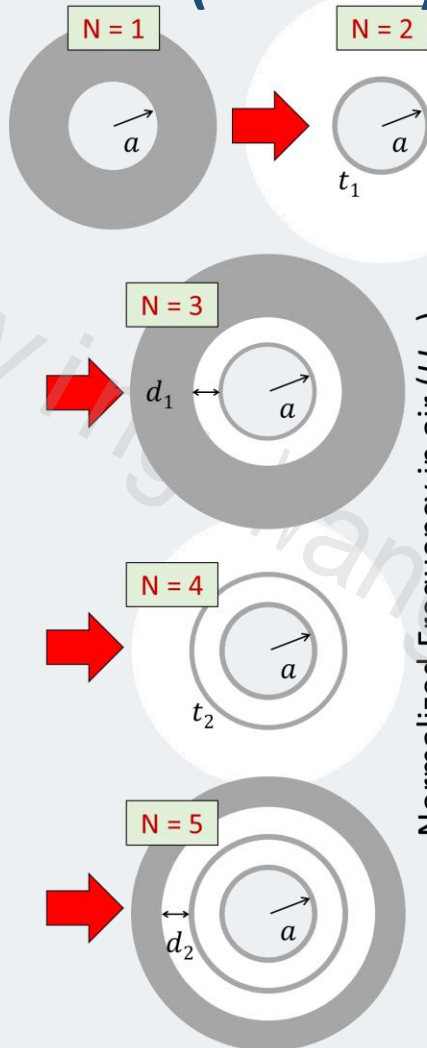
$$U_{glass} = 2t_i\sqrt{n^2 - \text{Re}(n_{eff})^2}/\lambda$$

$$U_{air} = 2d_i\sqrt{1 - \text{Re}(n_{eff})^2}/\lambda$$

FOM (dB) =

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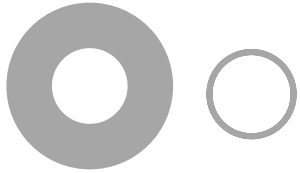
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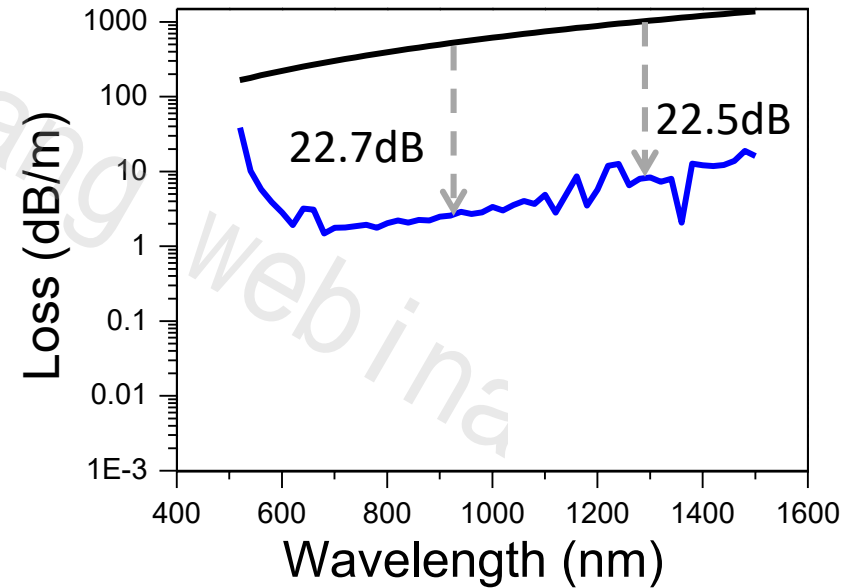
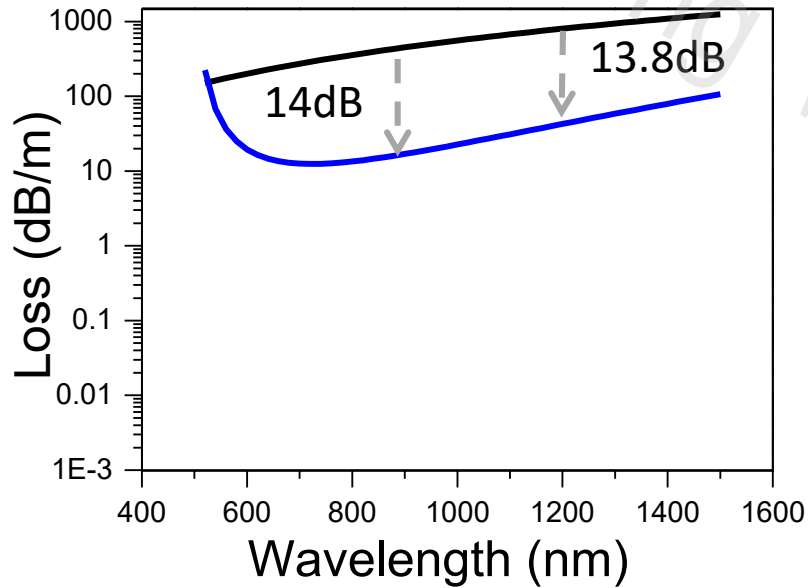
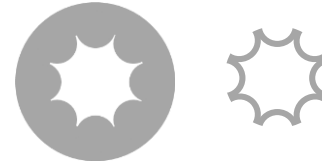
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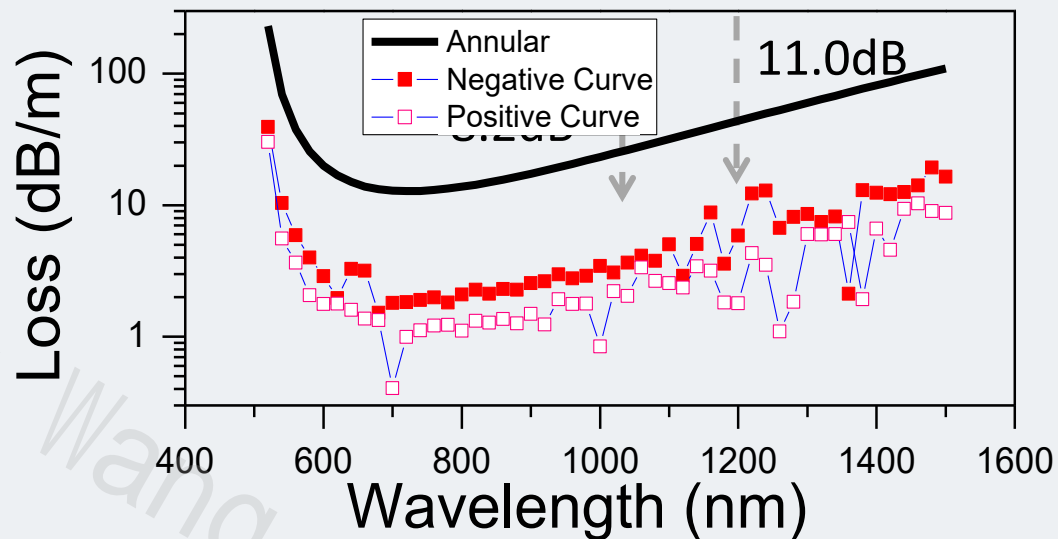
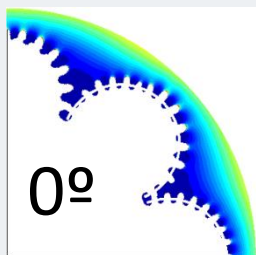
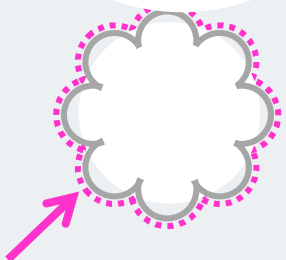
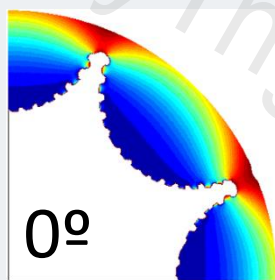
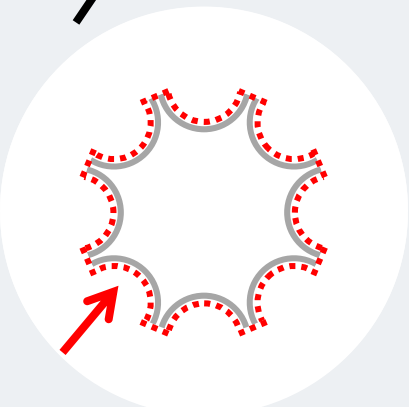
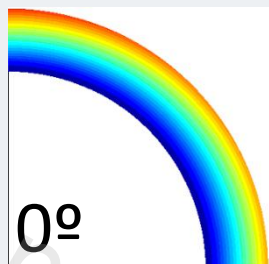
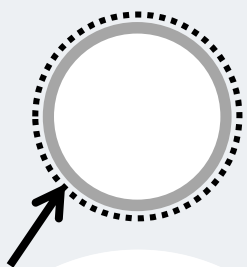
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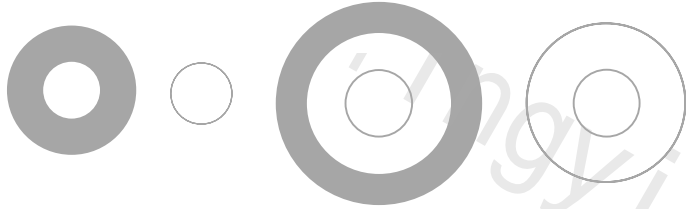


The glass wall drags the phases of the optical rays and suppresses the sequent radiations to the far field by constituting some destructive interference.

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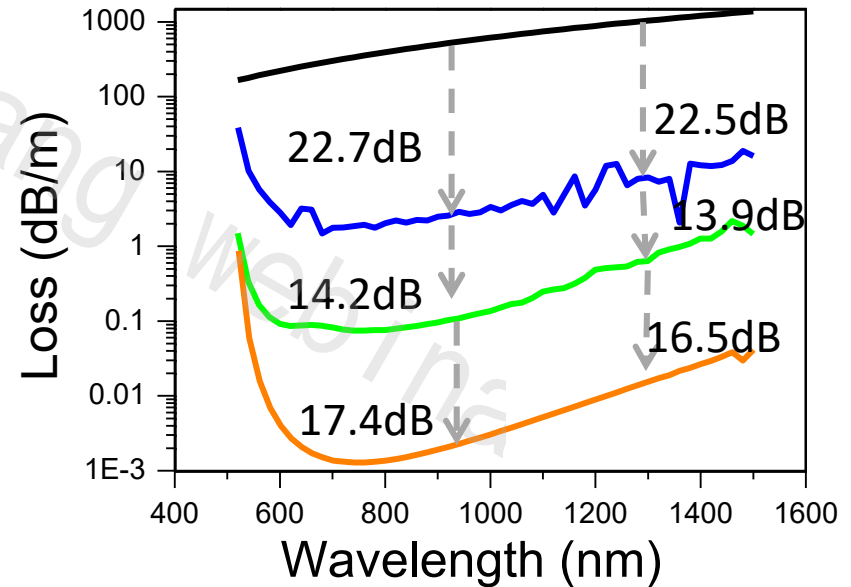
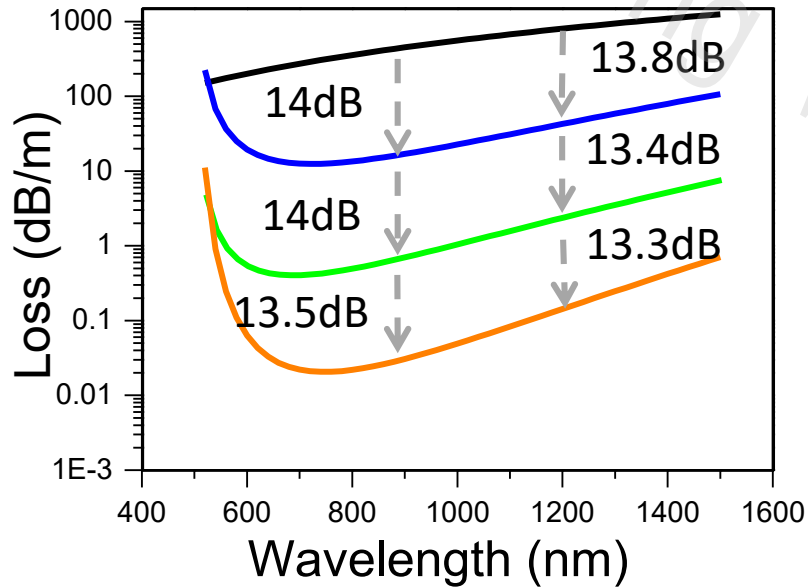
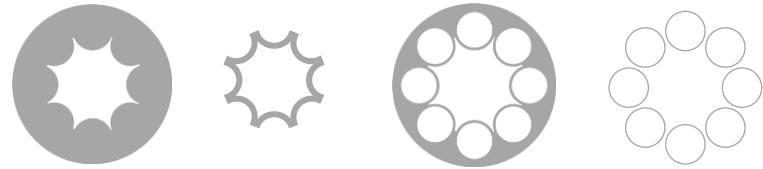
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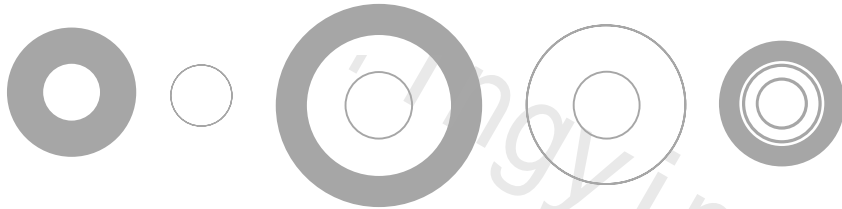
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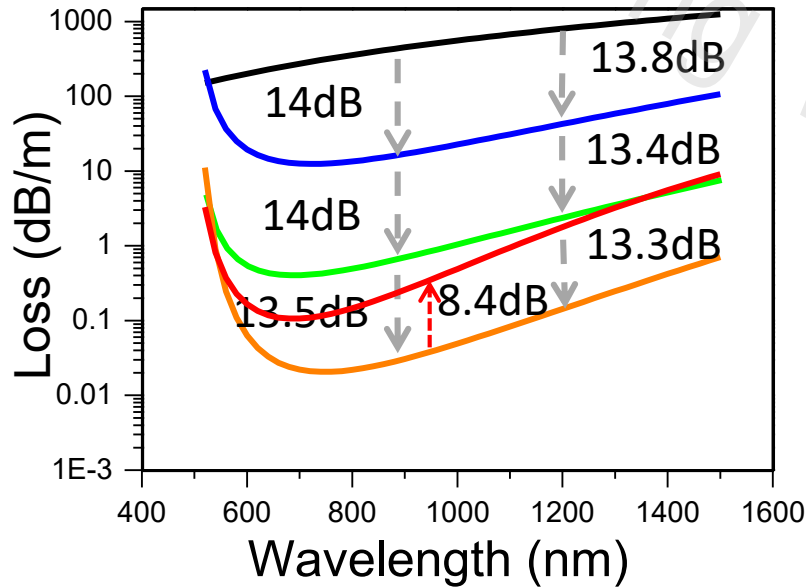
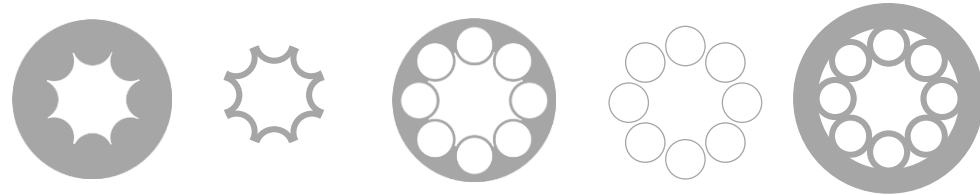
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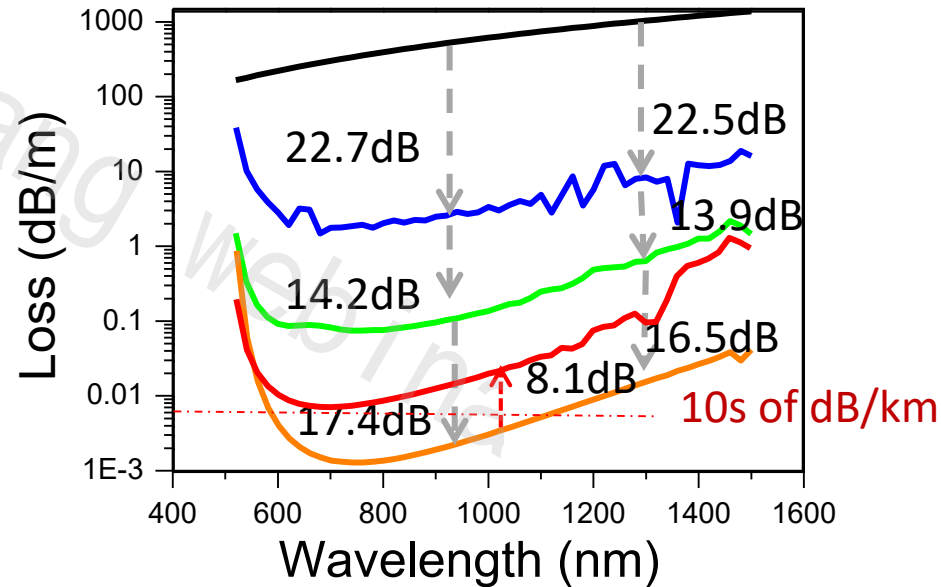


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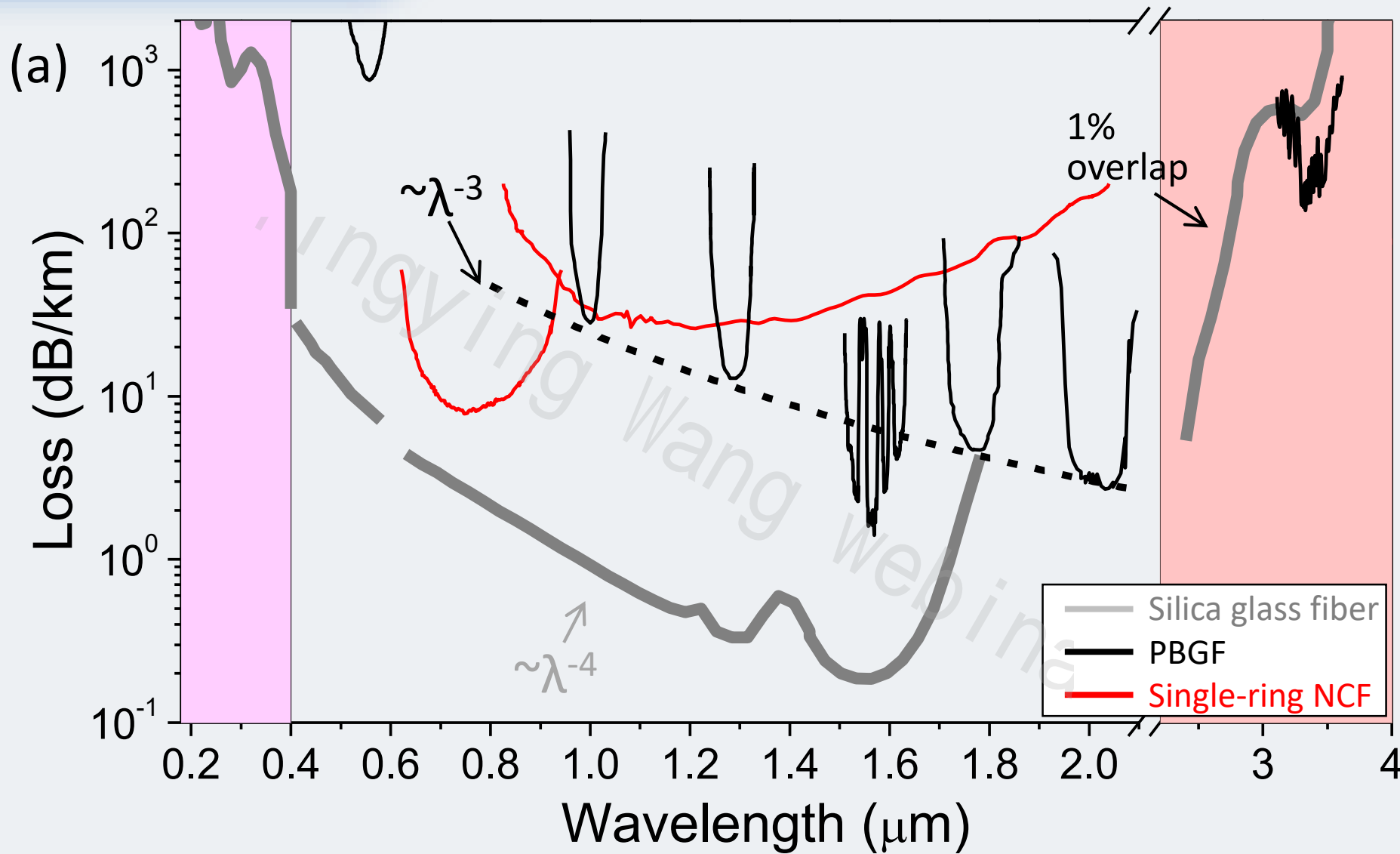
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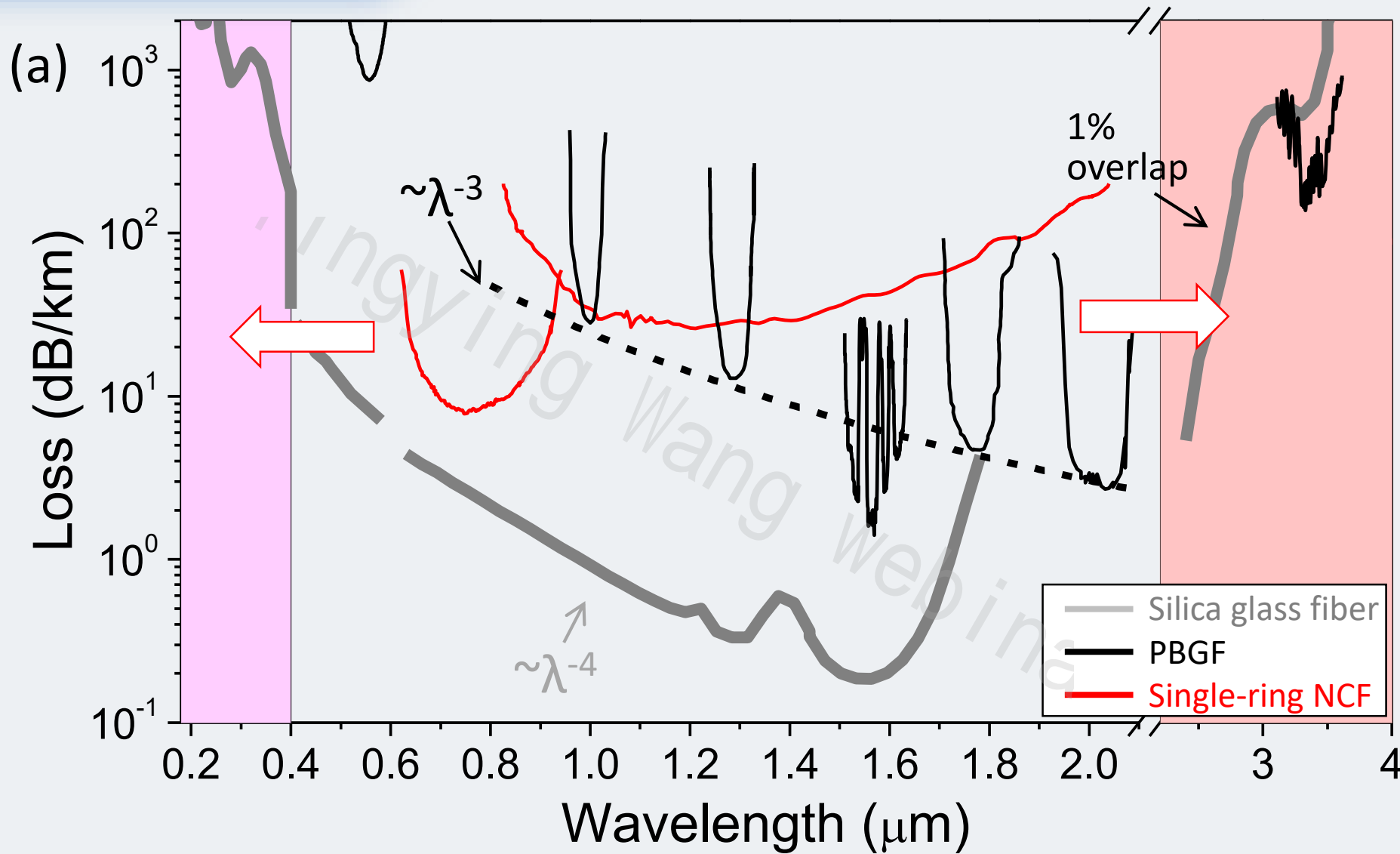
Conclusion

Loss achieved in HC-NCF

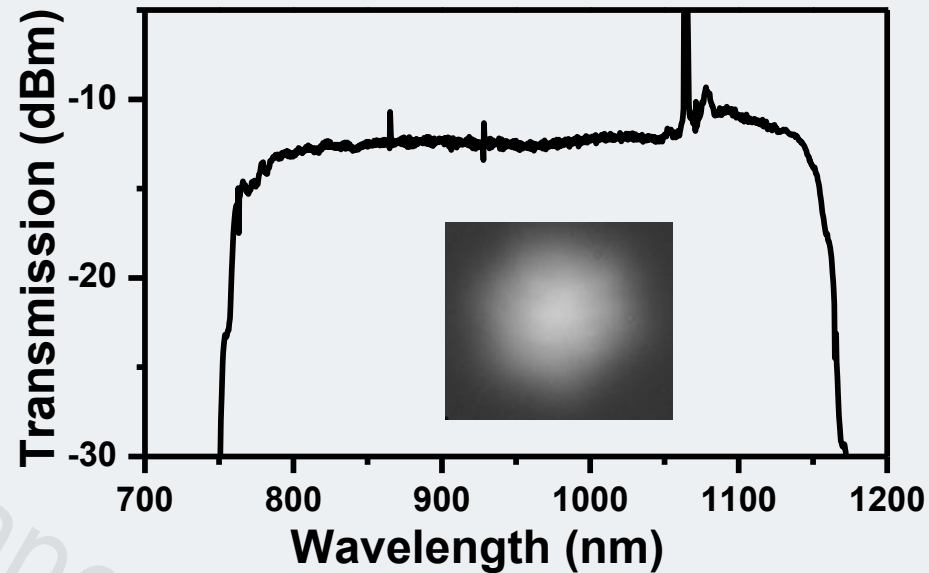
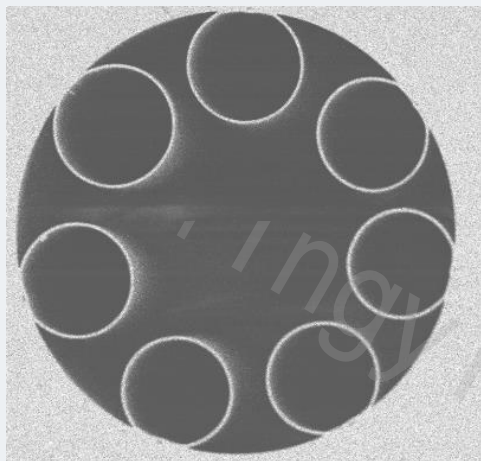


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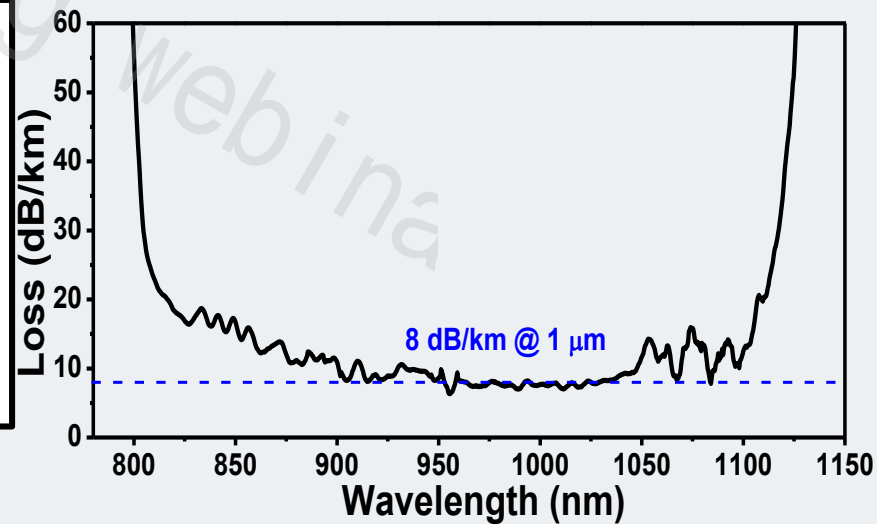
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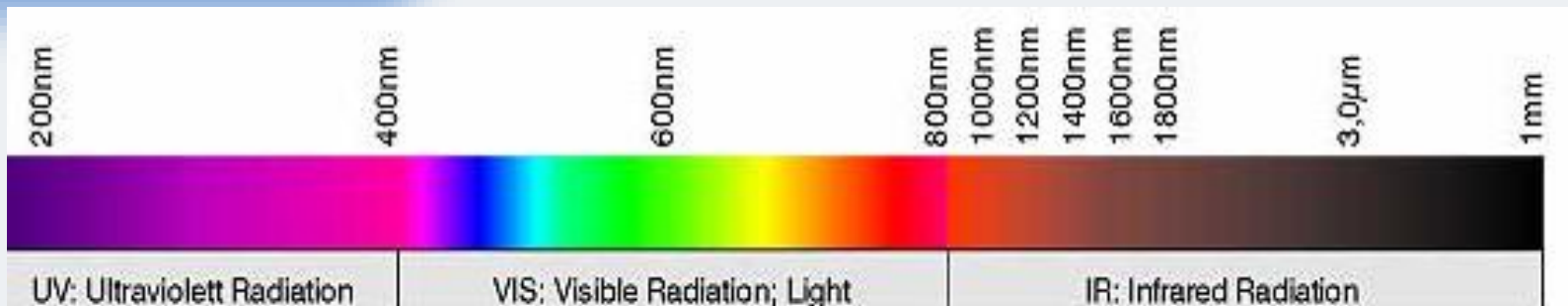
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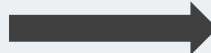
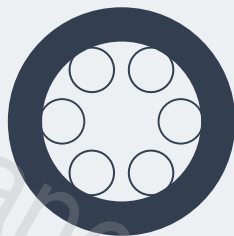
- $D = 50 \mu\text{m}$, $d = 26 \mu\text{m}$, $t = 1 \mu\text{m}$
- Measured Transmission loss :
- $\sim 8 \text{ dB/km}$ (800 nm -1100 nm)
- Single mode



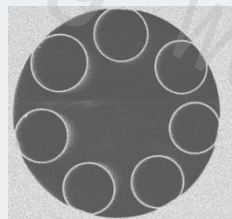
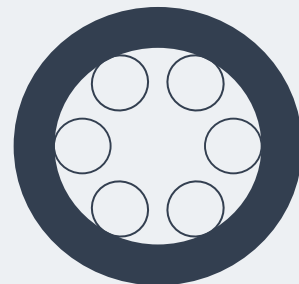
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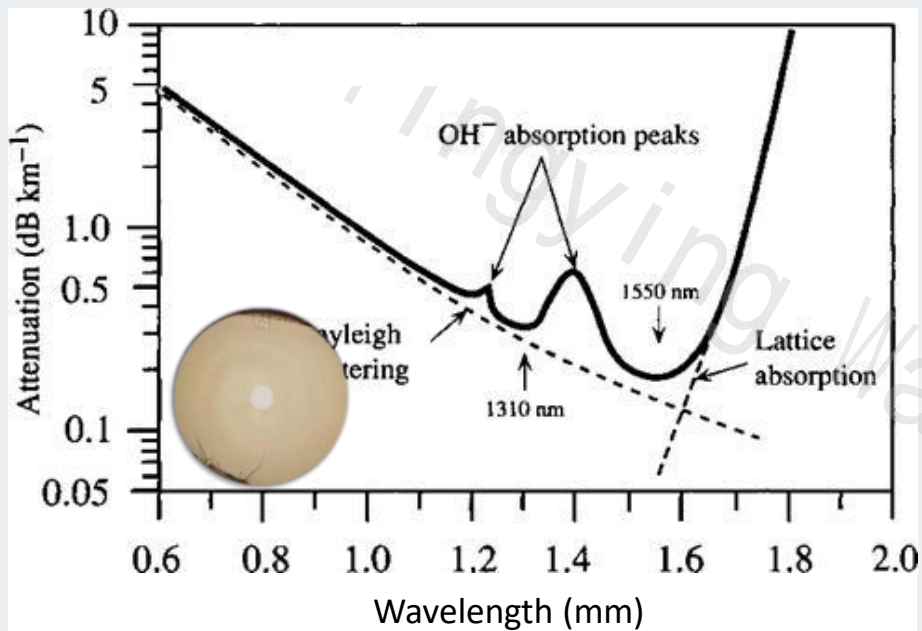
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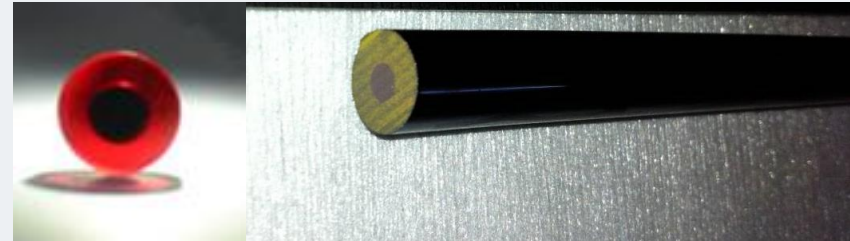


Silica Fiber



High loss above 2.4 mm

Soft glass fiber

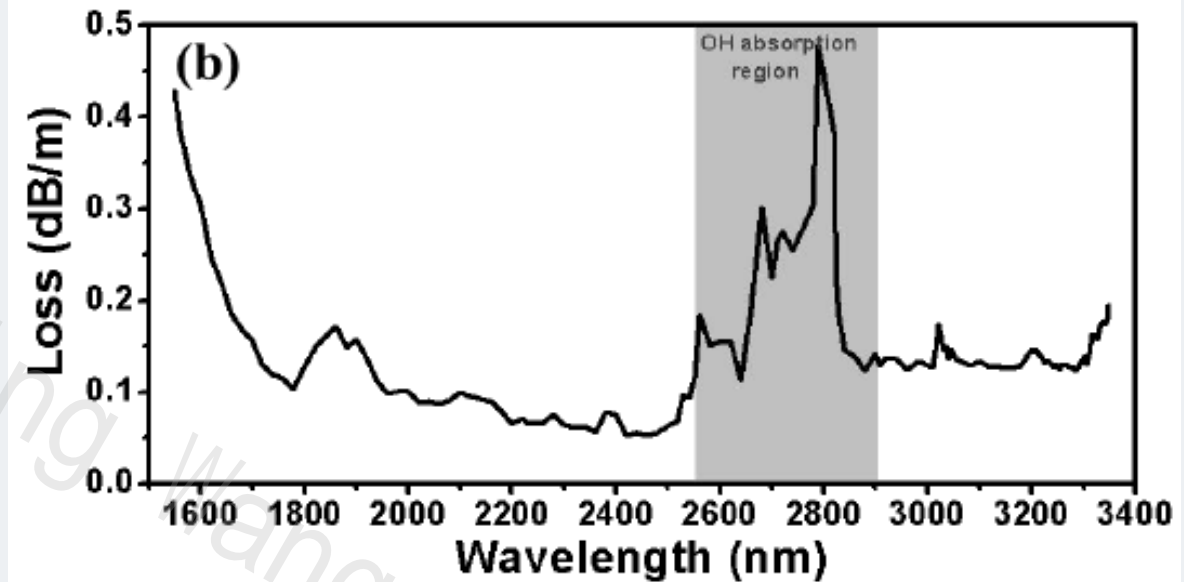
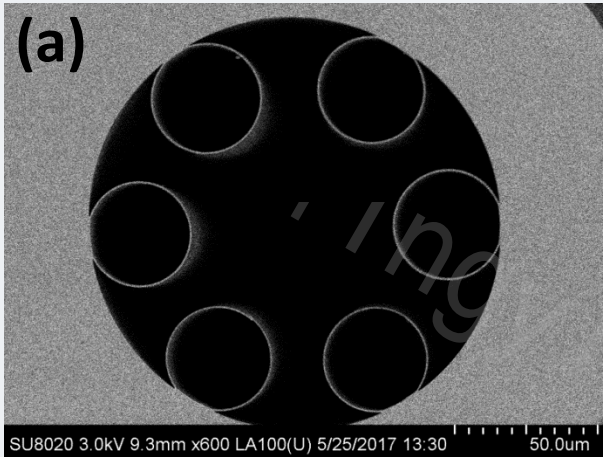


Fabrication and handling difficulties

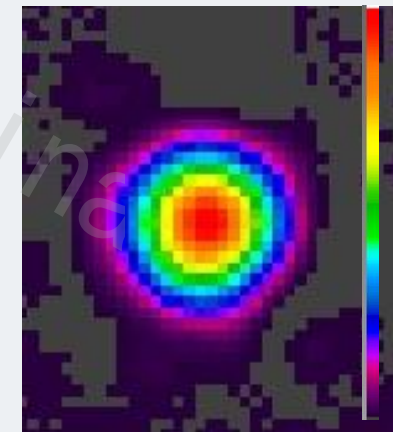
Low Damage Threshold

High nonlinearity

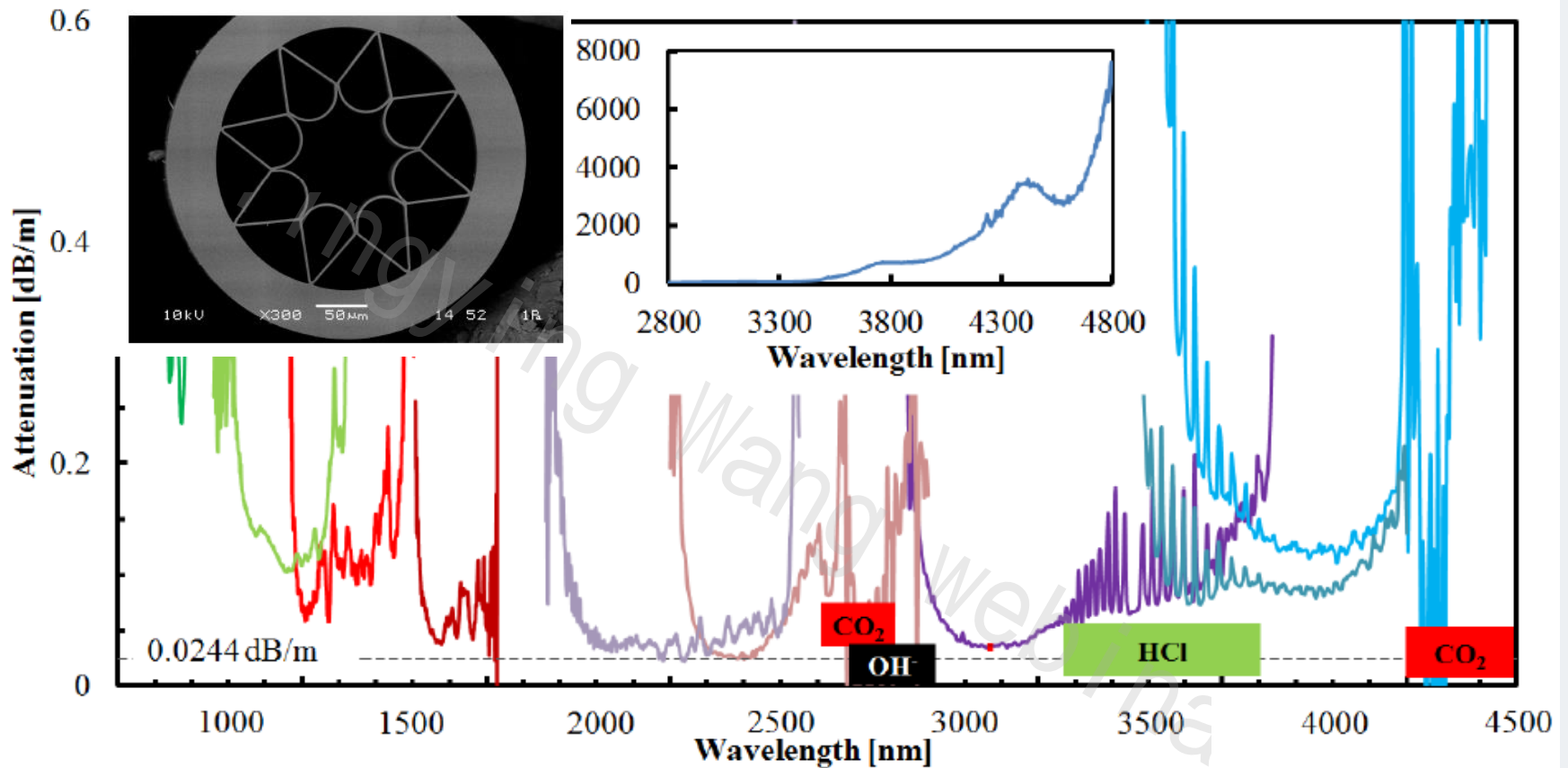
Silica-based hollow core fiber could be an ideal choice for MIR.



- $D = 70 \mu\text{m}$, $d = 36 \mu\text{m}$, $t = 760 \text{ nm}$
- Transmission Bandwidth:
1600~ > 3400 nm
- Measured Transmission loss:
50 dB/km@ 2.45 μm ; 130 dB/km@ 3 μm
- Single mode

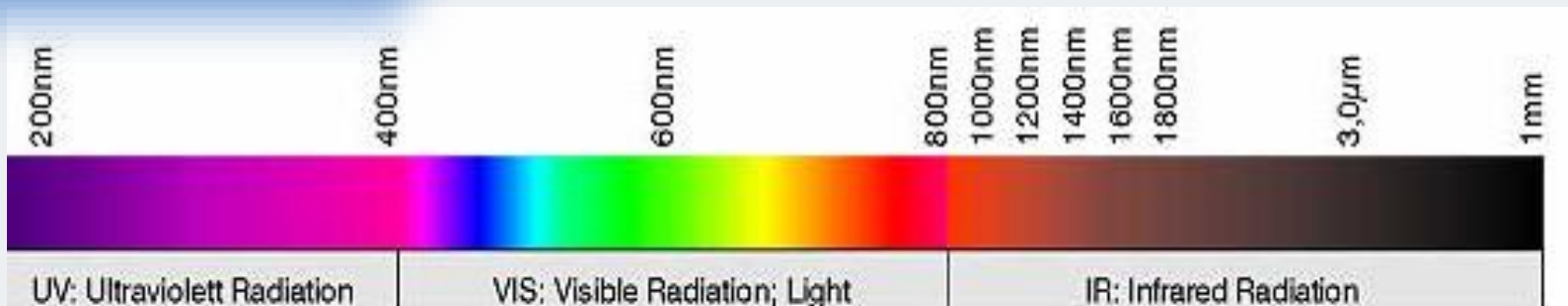


@ 2.7 μm

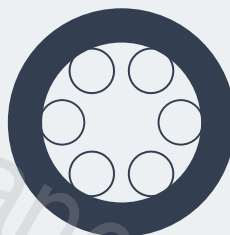


➤ 24-50 dB/km loss in 2000-4000 nm

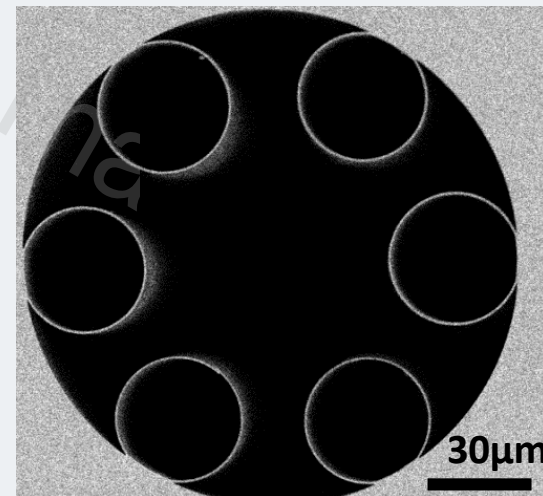
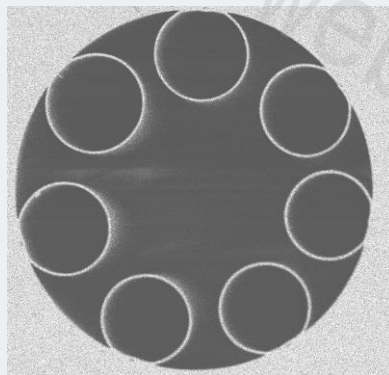
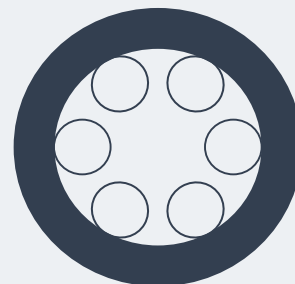
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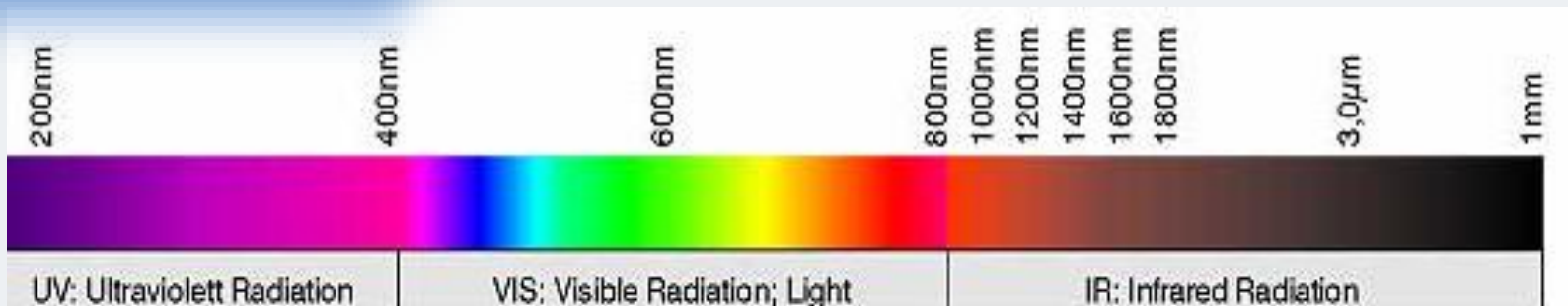
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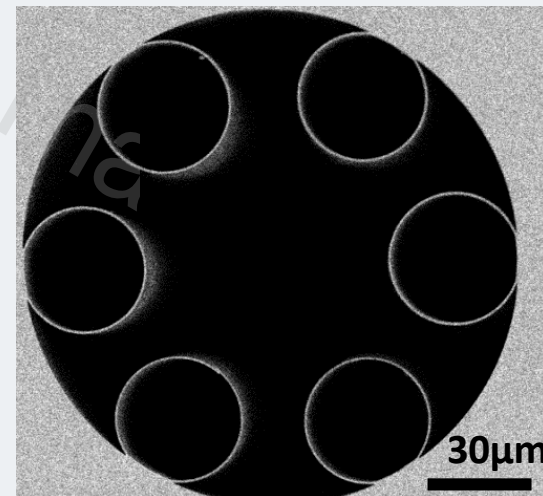
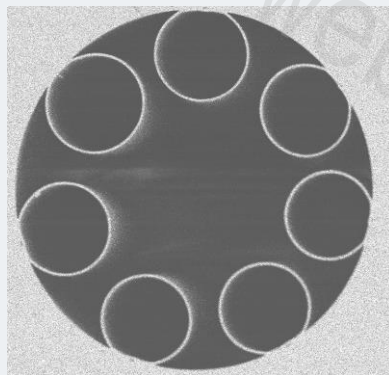
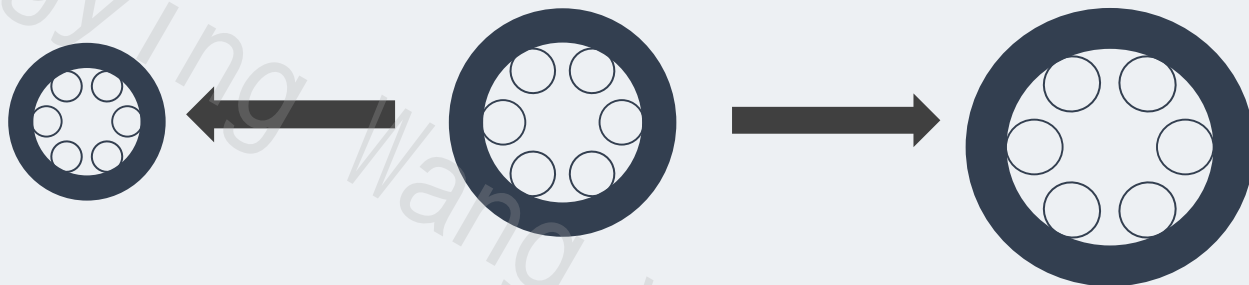
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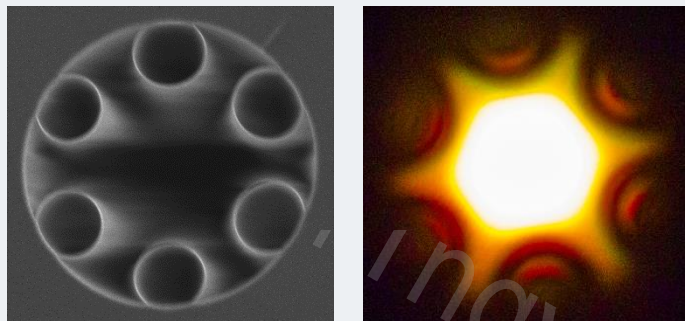


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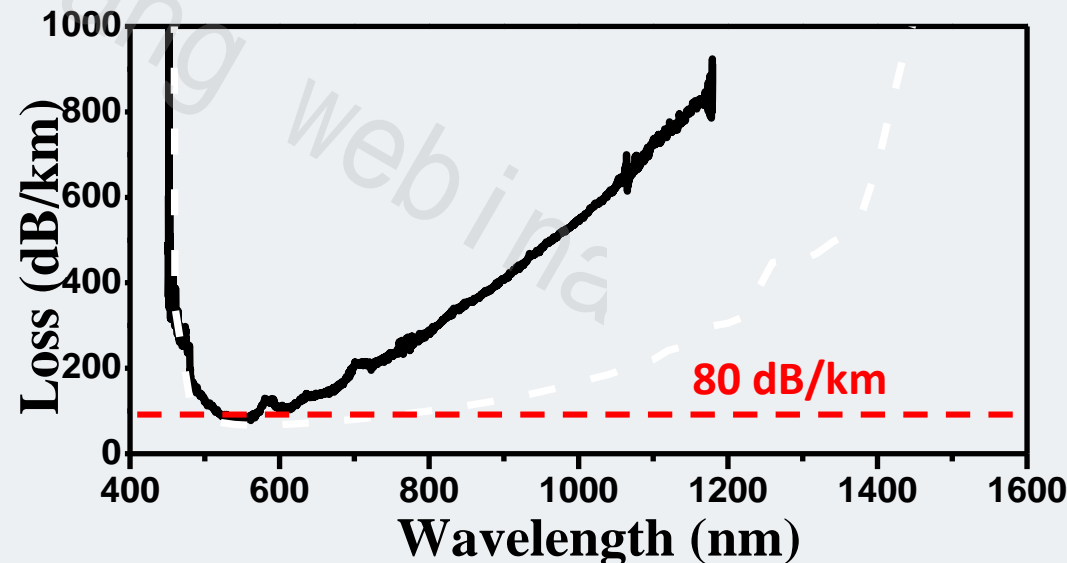
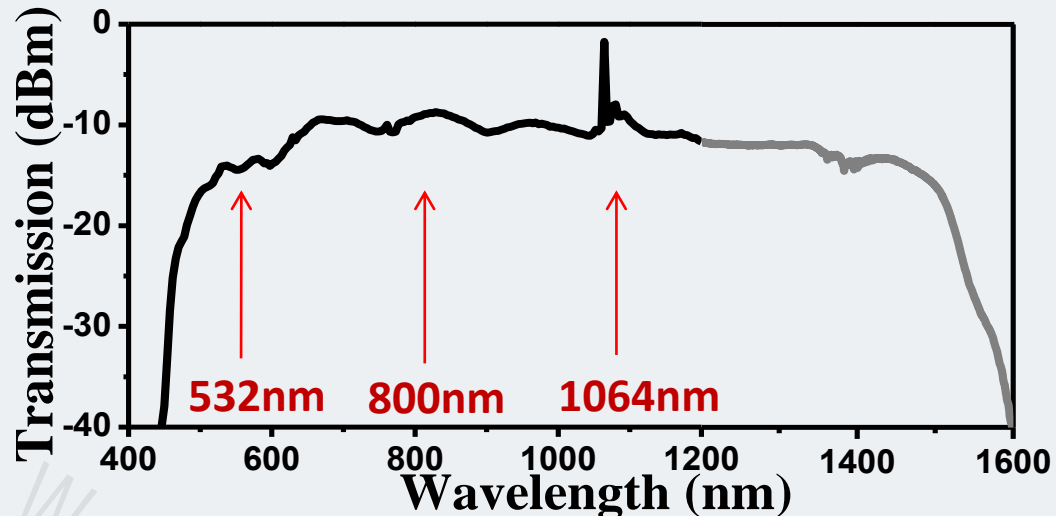
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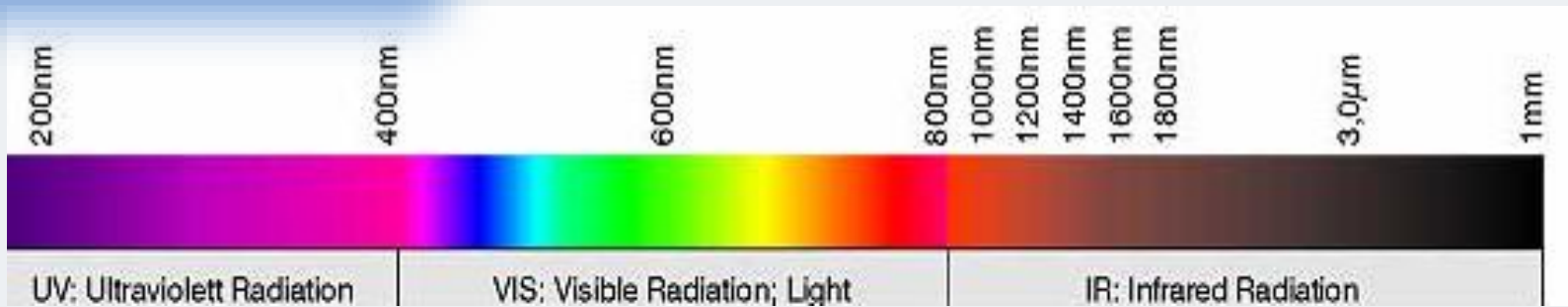


$D=26\ \mu\text{m}$, $d=12\ \mu\text{m}$, $t=210\ \text{nm}$

- **Broaden bandwidth :**
420 nm –1600 nm (VIS-NIR)
- **Transmission loss:**
80 dB/km @ 532 nm
- **Loss below 300 dB/km:**
450-850nm (almost entire visible)
- **Single Mode Guidance**



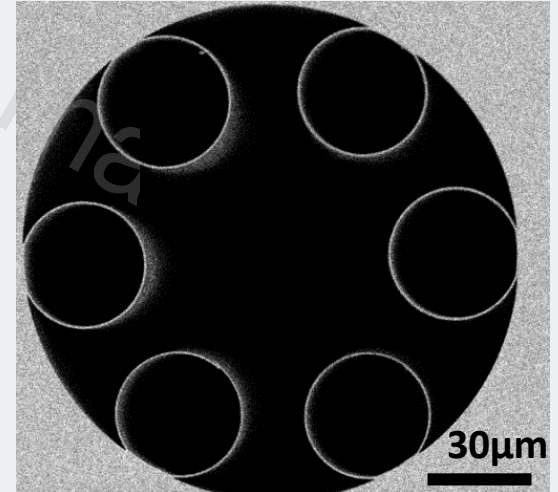
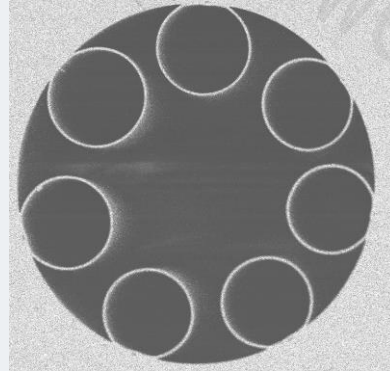
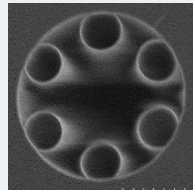
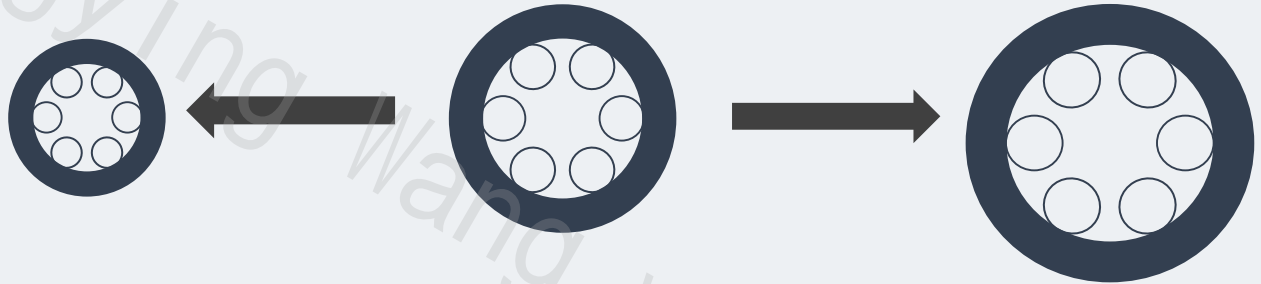
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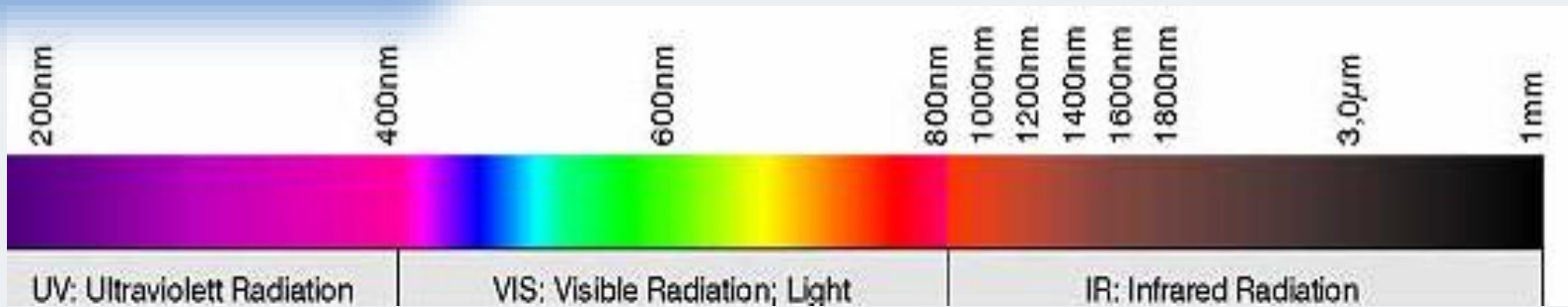
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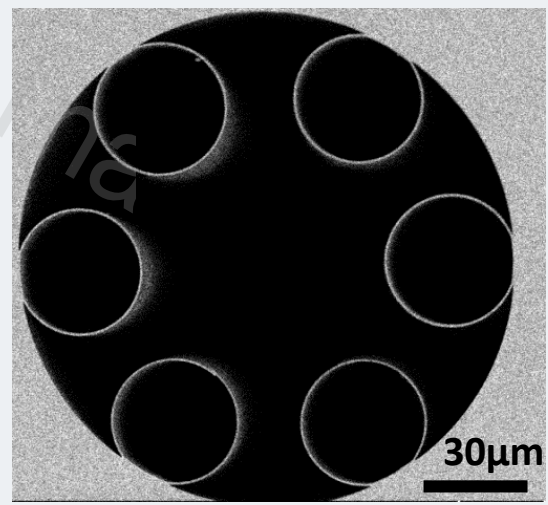
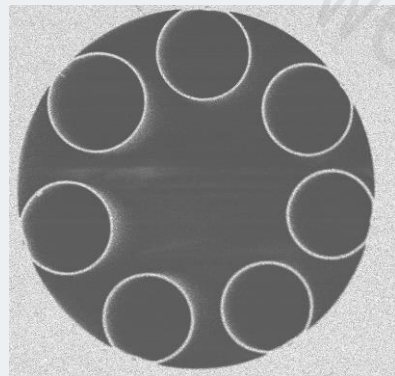
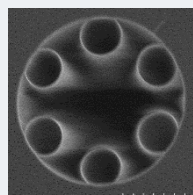
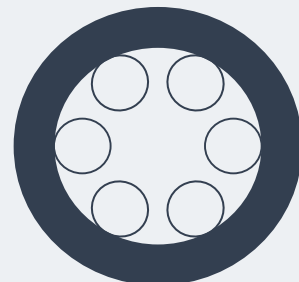
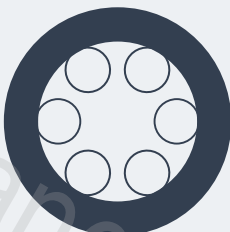


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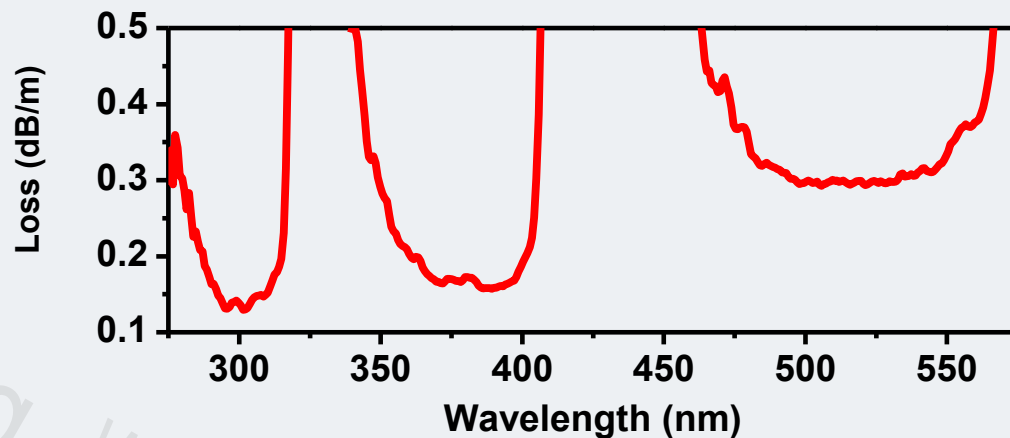
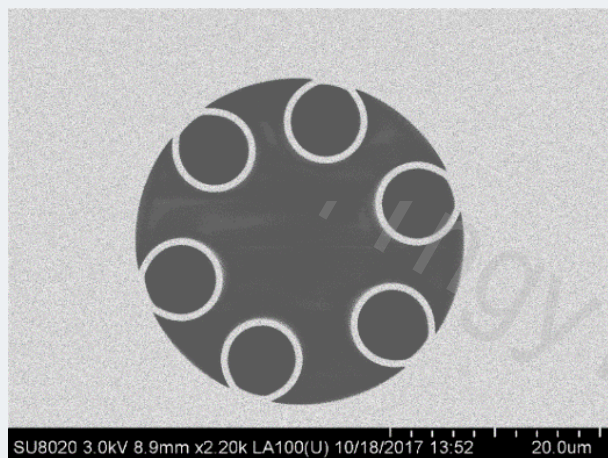
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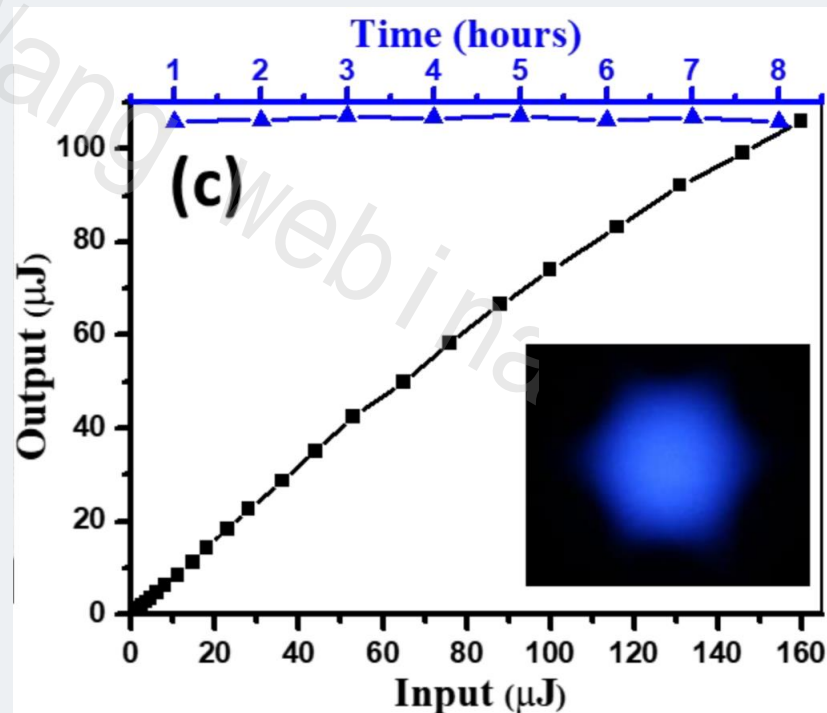
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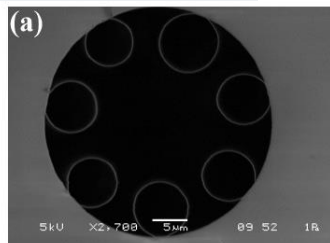
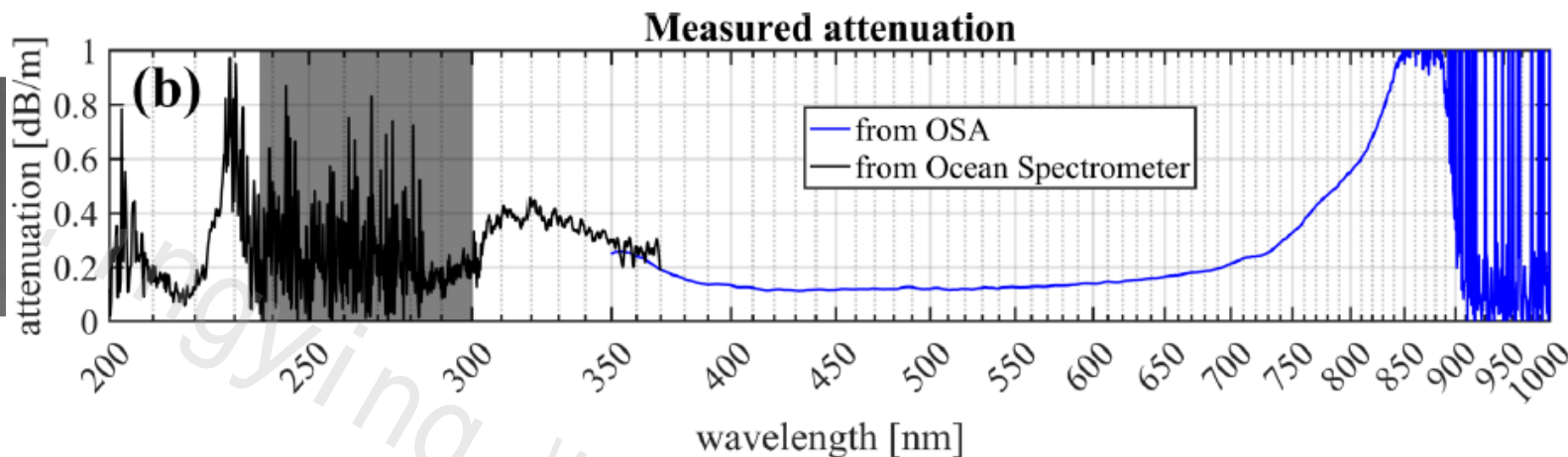


UV guiding HC-NCF

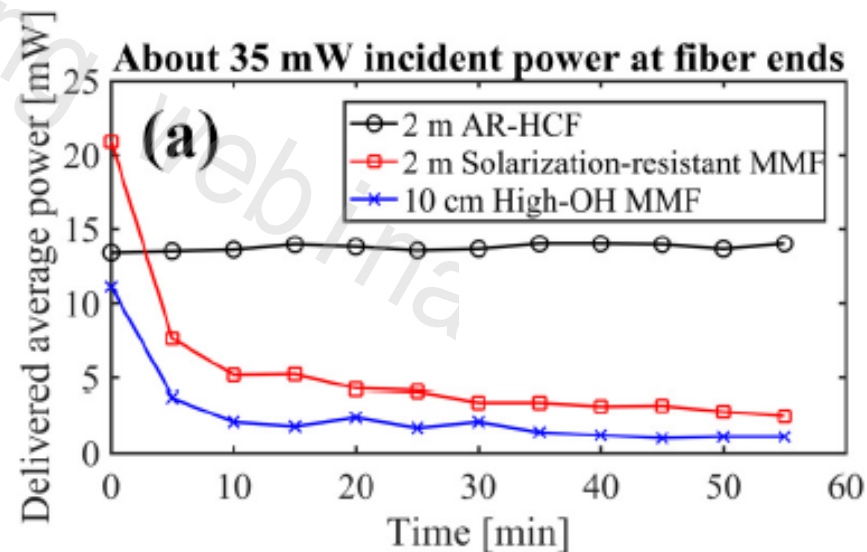


- $D=15.4\mu\text{m}$, $d=7.9\mu\text{m}$, $t=615\text{nm}$,
278nm - 318nm (0.13dB/m)
330nm - 410nm (0.16dB/m)
- Pulse delivery: 355nm, 20ps,
160 μJ , 355nm, 1kHz.
160 uJ input, 100 uJ output.

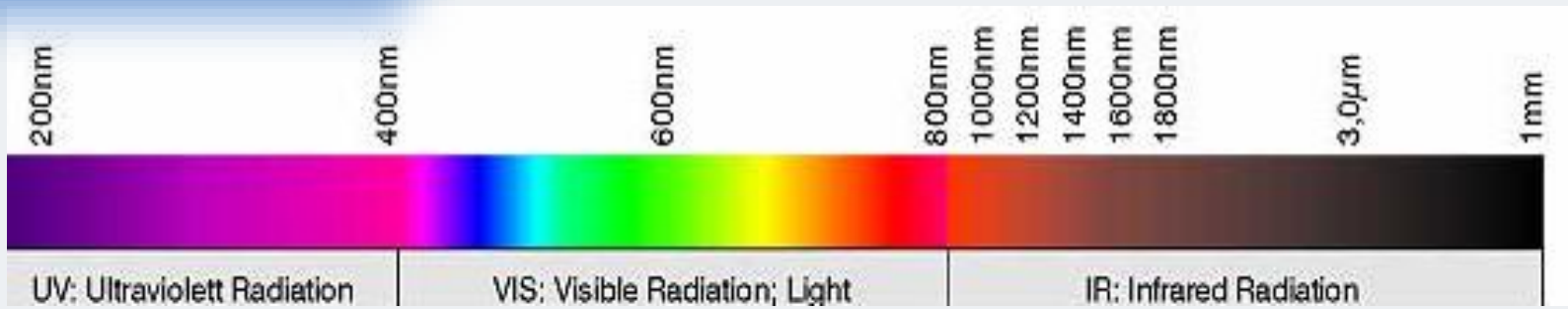




- Below 0.1 dB/m at 218 nm
- 0.26 dB/m at 355 nm
- Pulse delivery:
266nm, 17ns, 30kHz.
120 mw input, 10.4 mw output.



Near IR HC-NCF

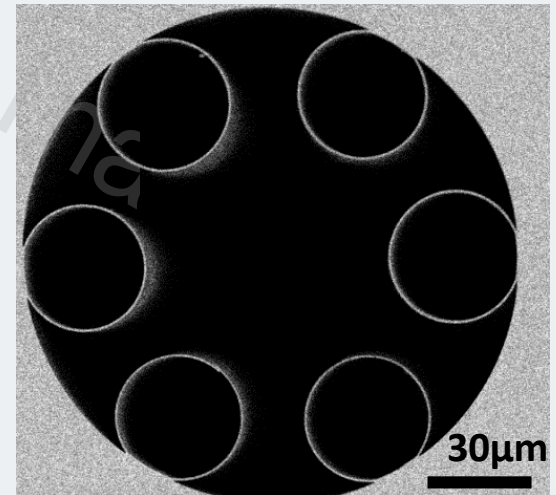
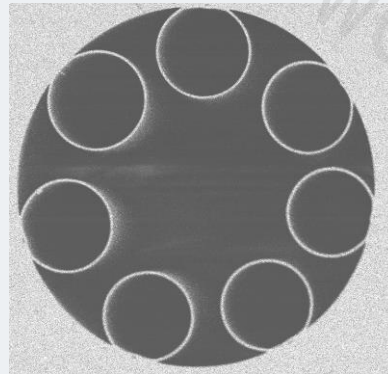
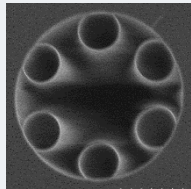
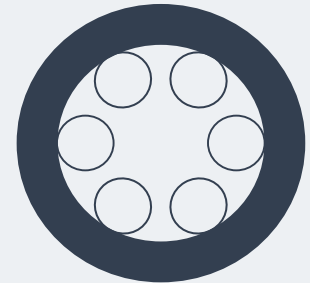
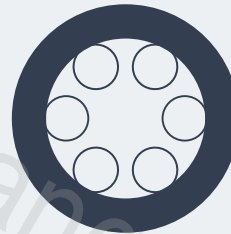


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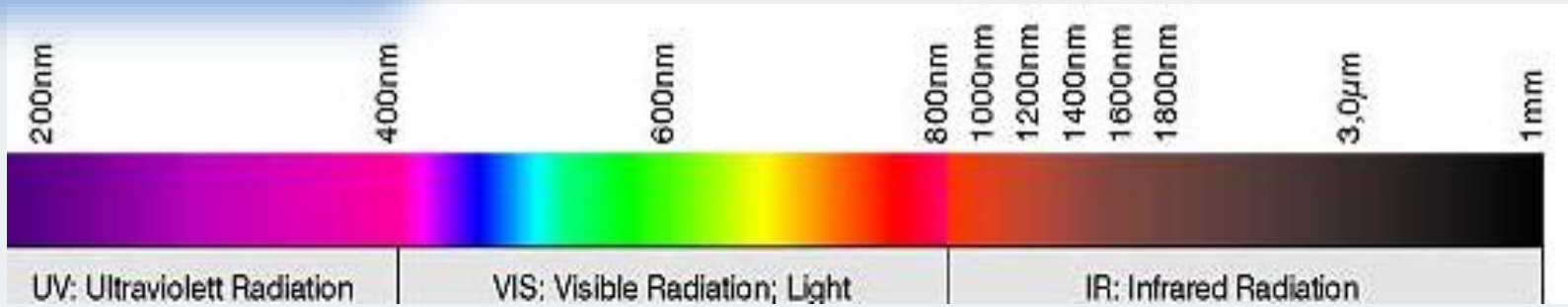
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Near IR HC-NCF

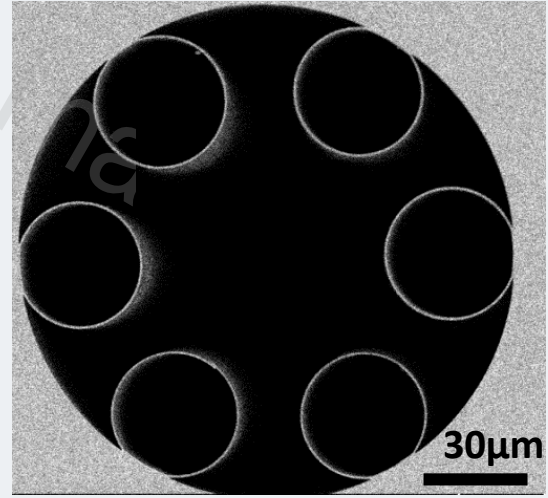
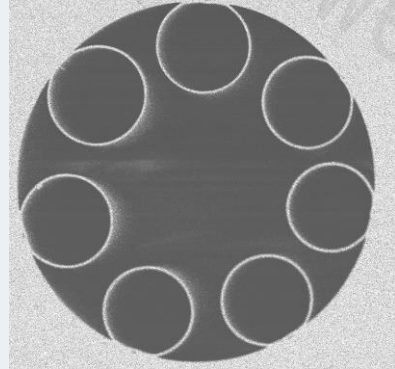
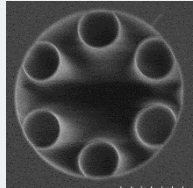
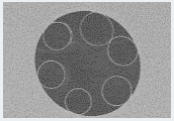
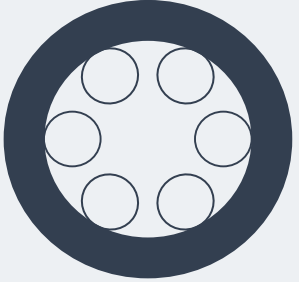
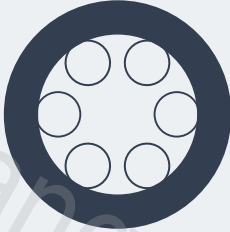


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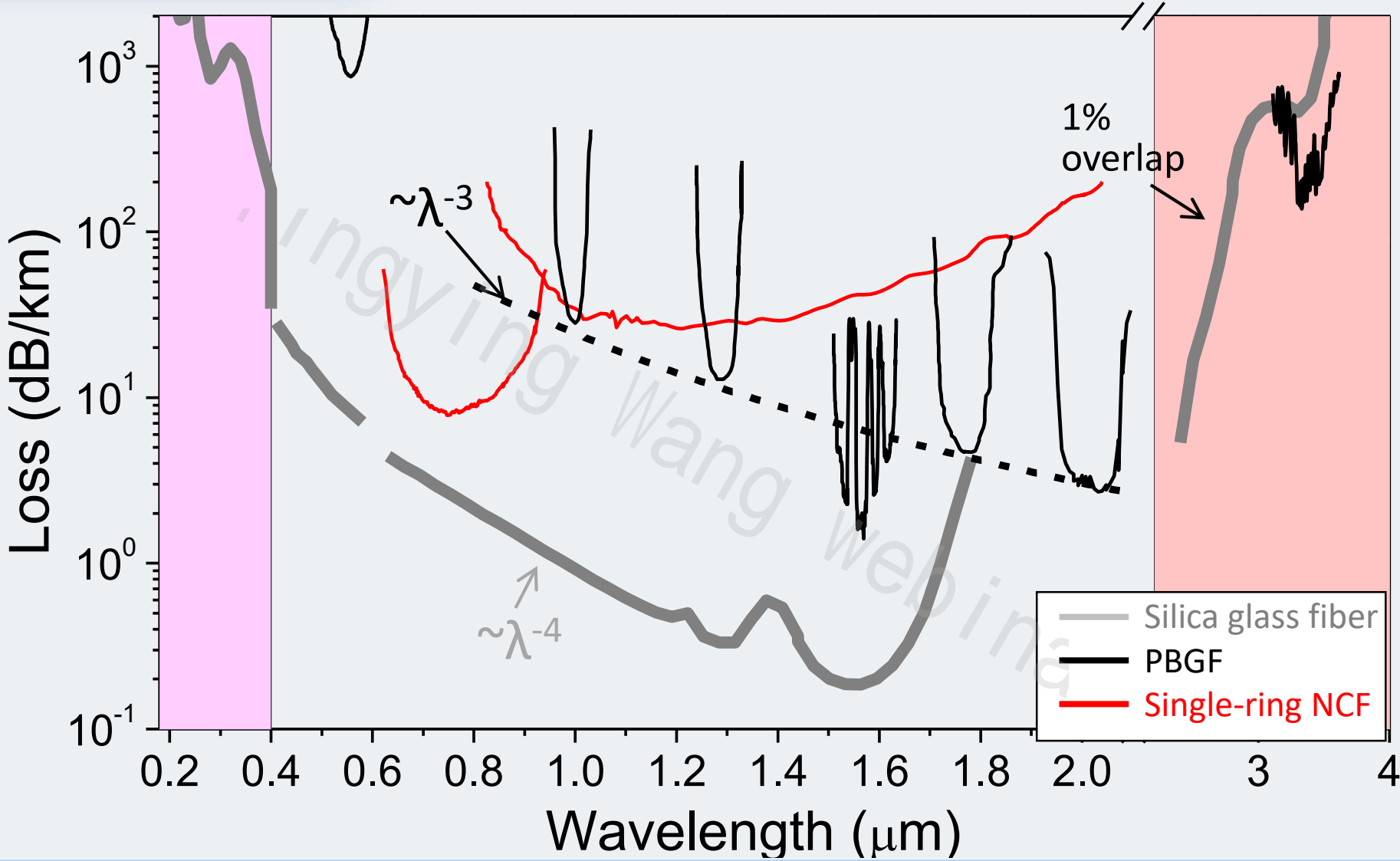
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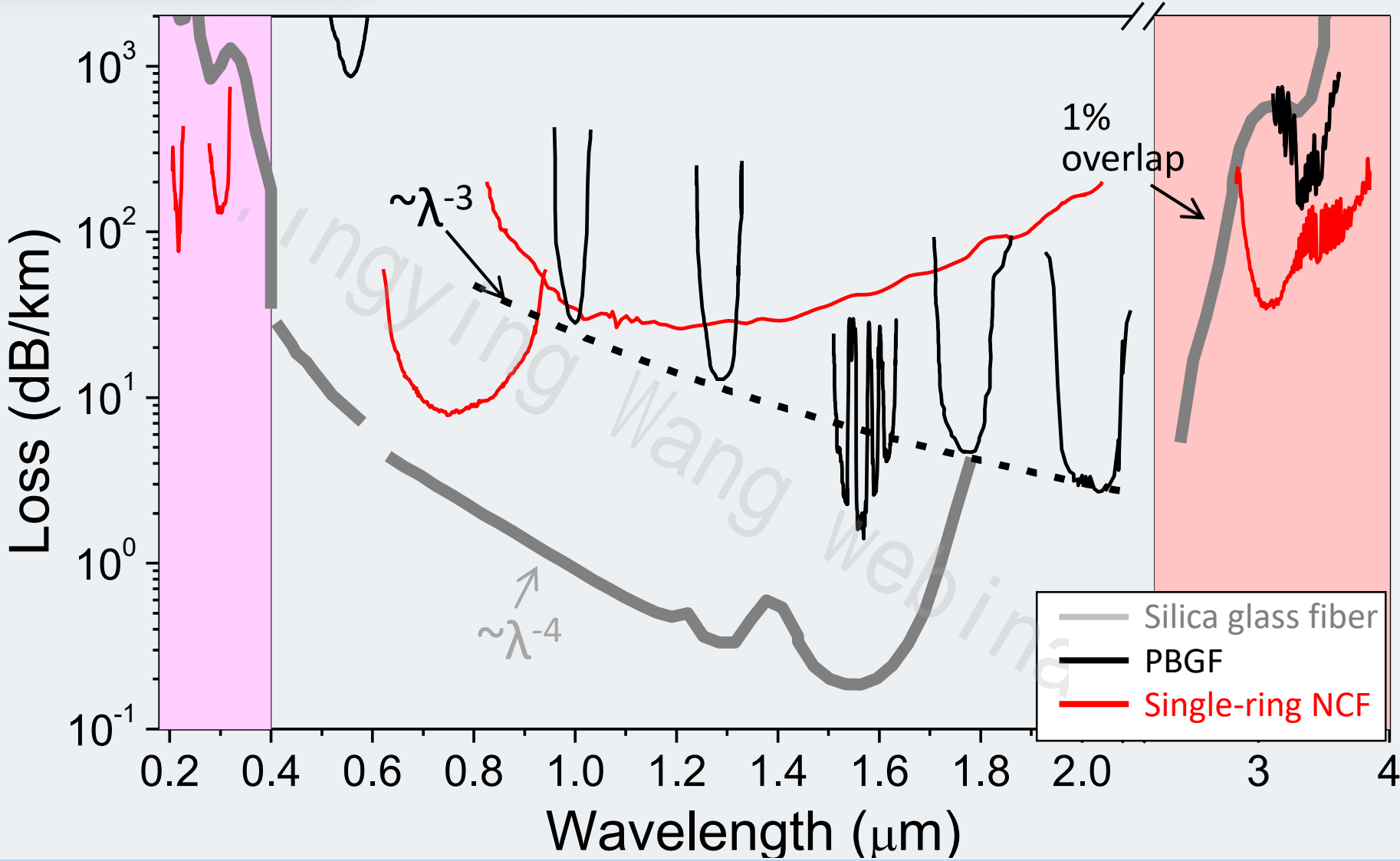


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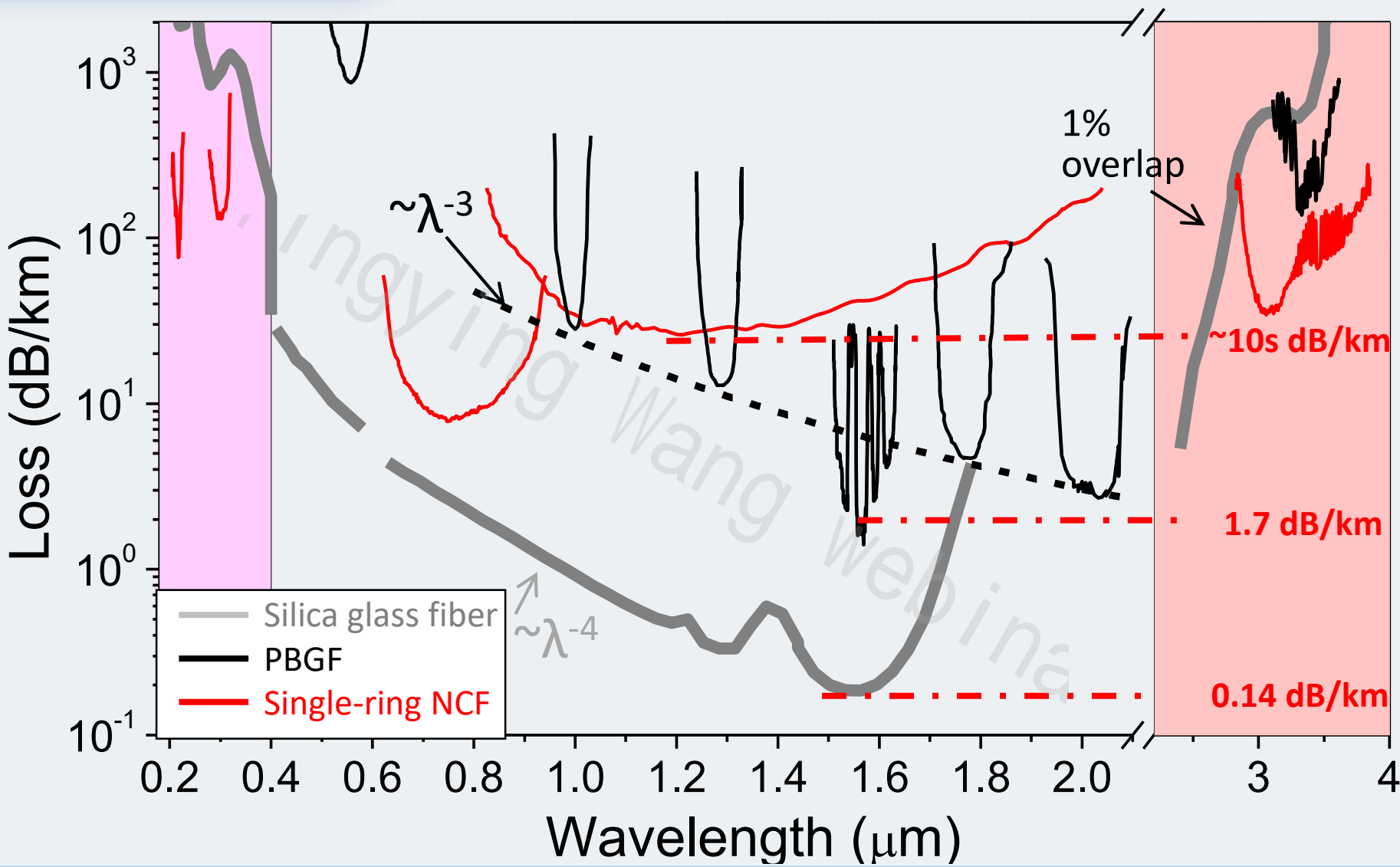
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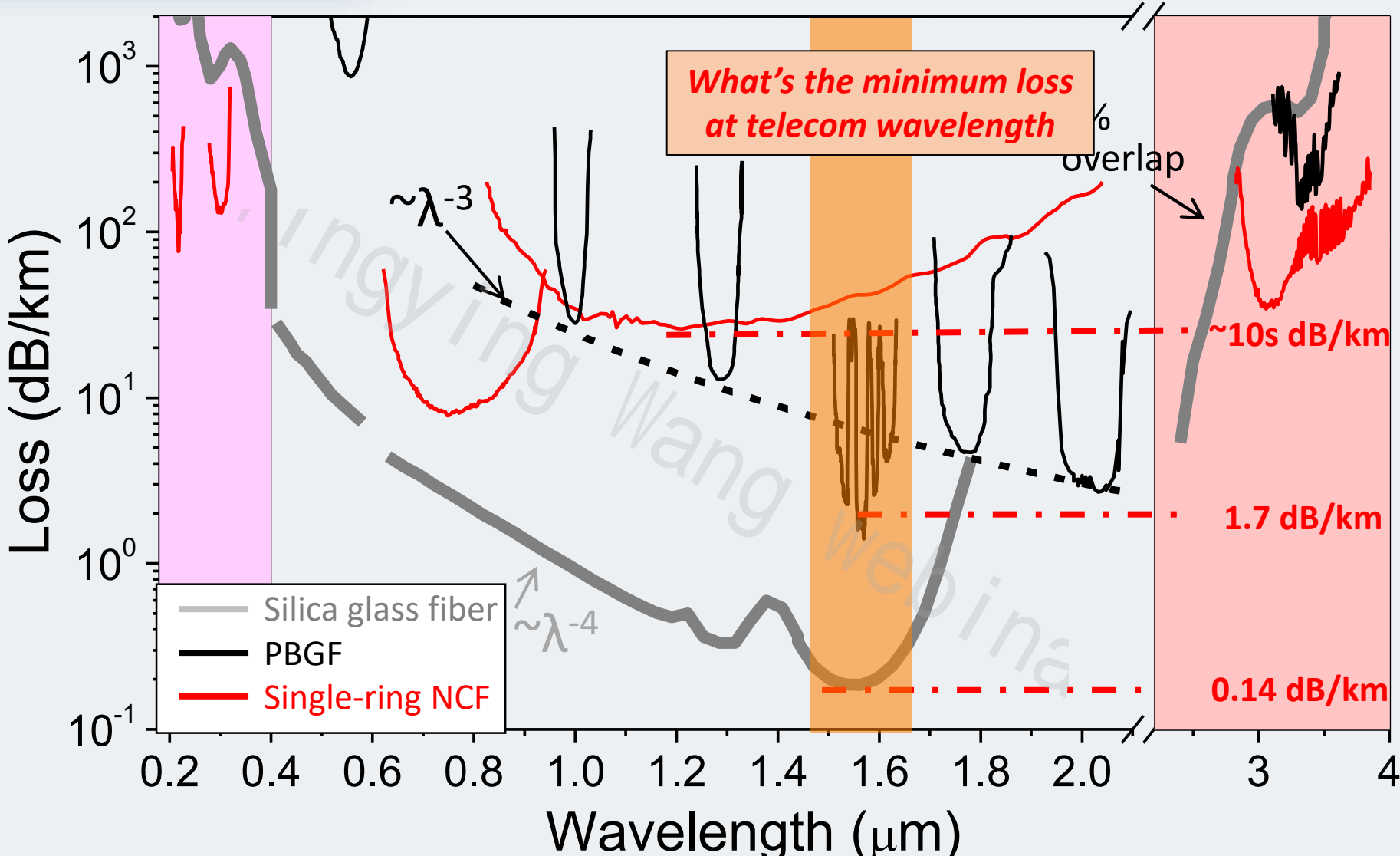
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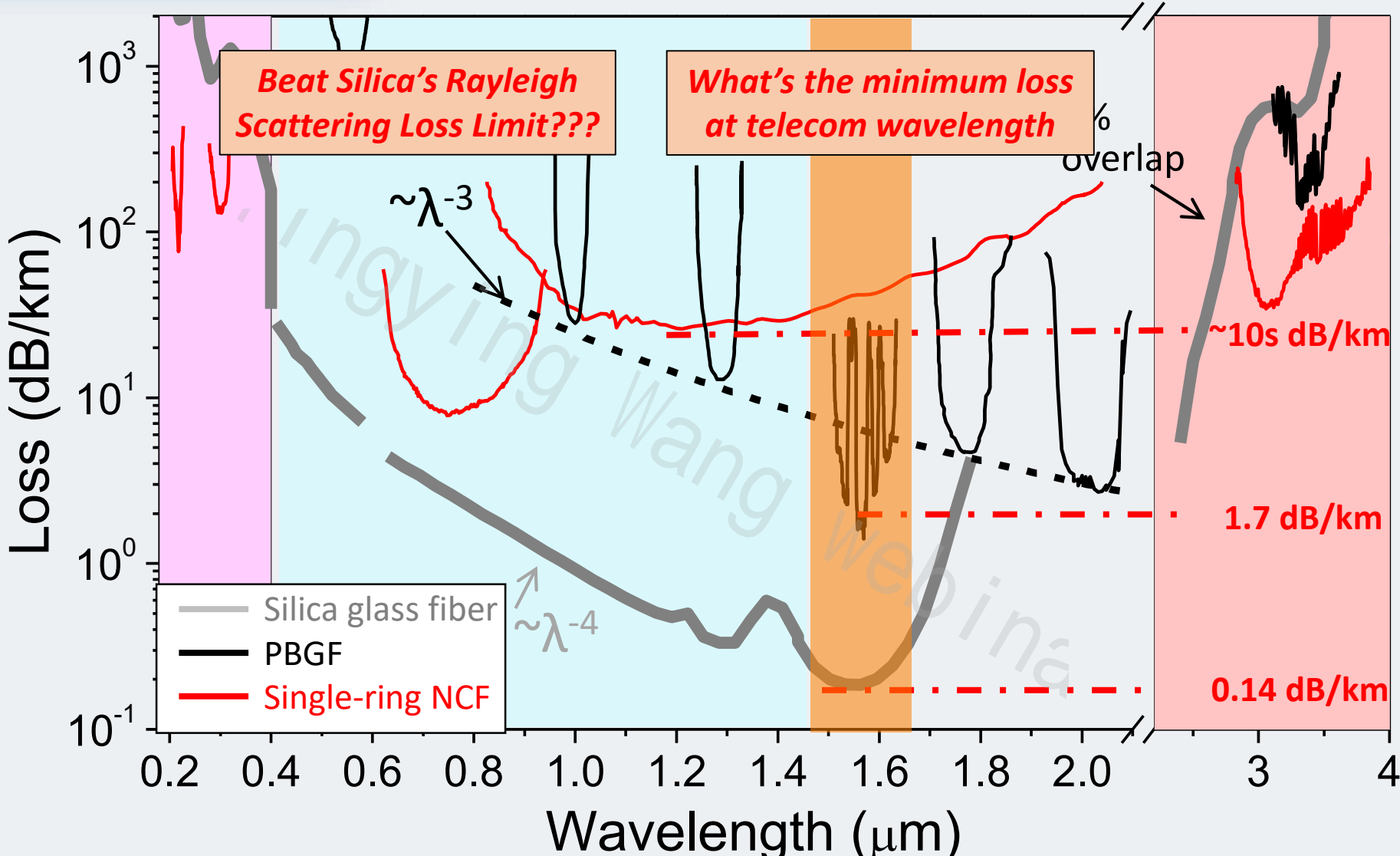
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Background

1. *Motivation*
2. *History of HCF development*

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HCF – understanding, design and fabrication

1. *How we understand*
2. *Broadband HCF*
3. *Ultralow loss HCF*

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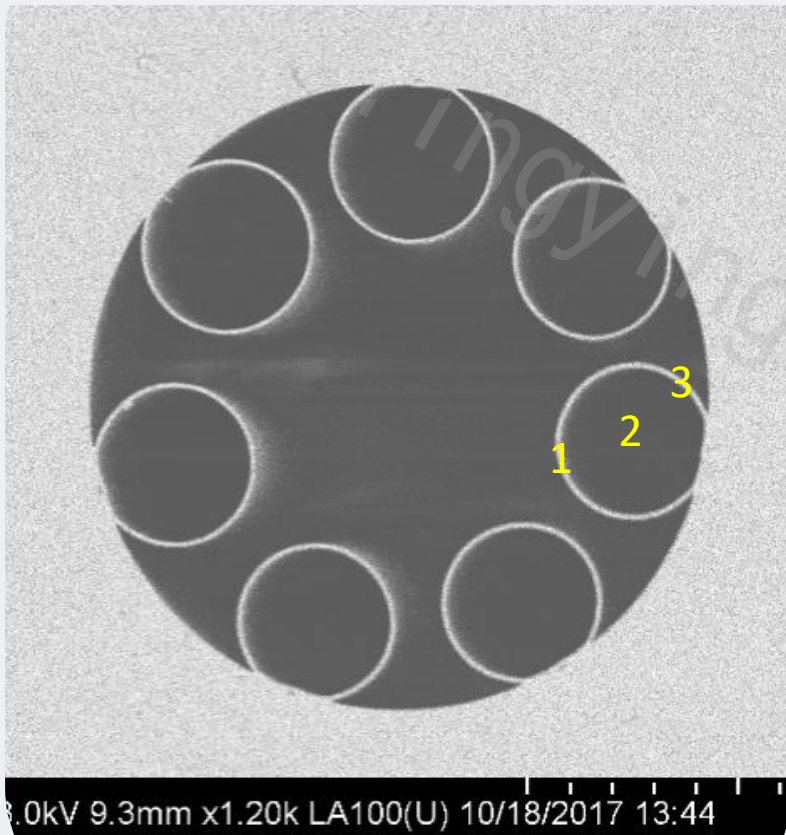
HCF applications

1. *Optical communications*
2. *Ultrafast optics: delivery and gas nonlinearity*
3. *Sensing and biophotonics*

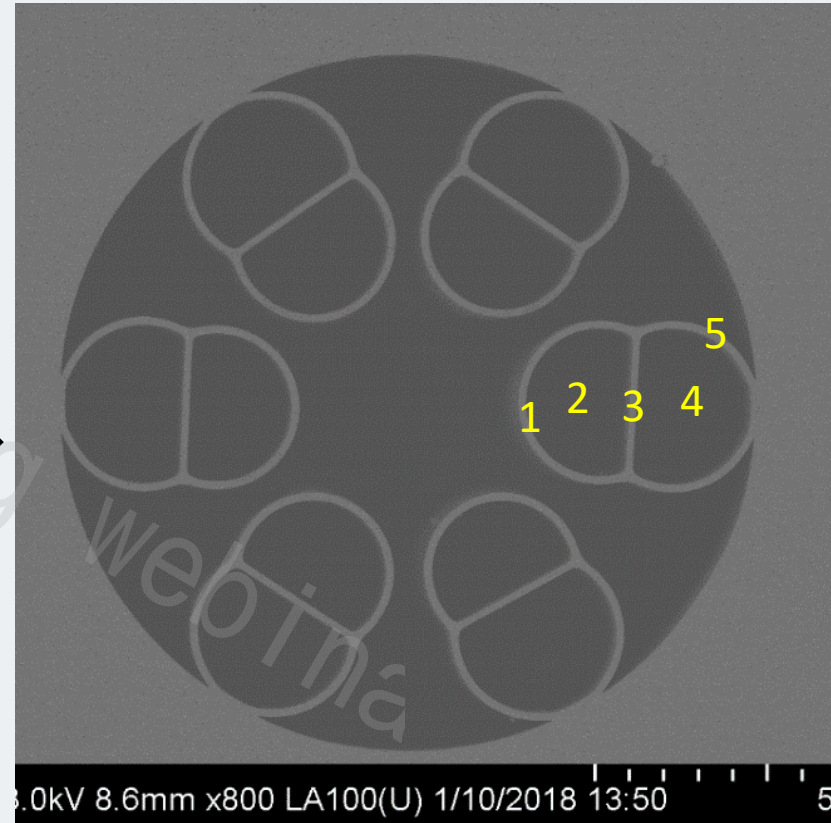
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Conclusion

Adding interface

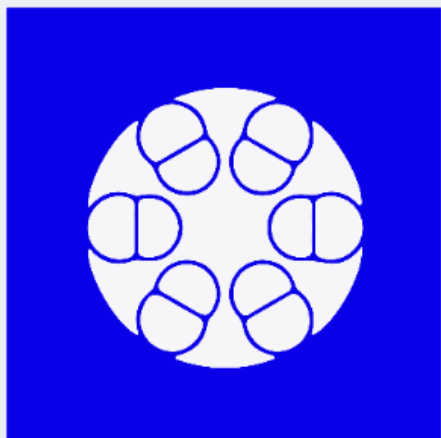
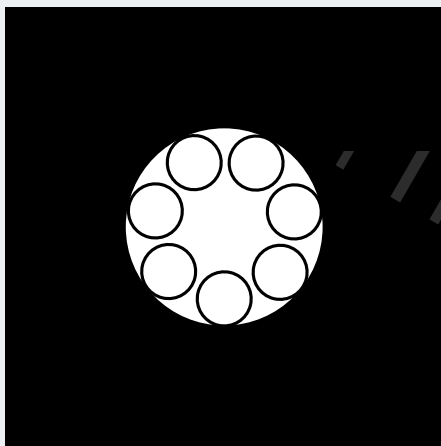


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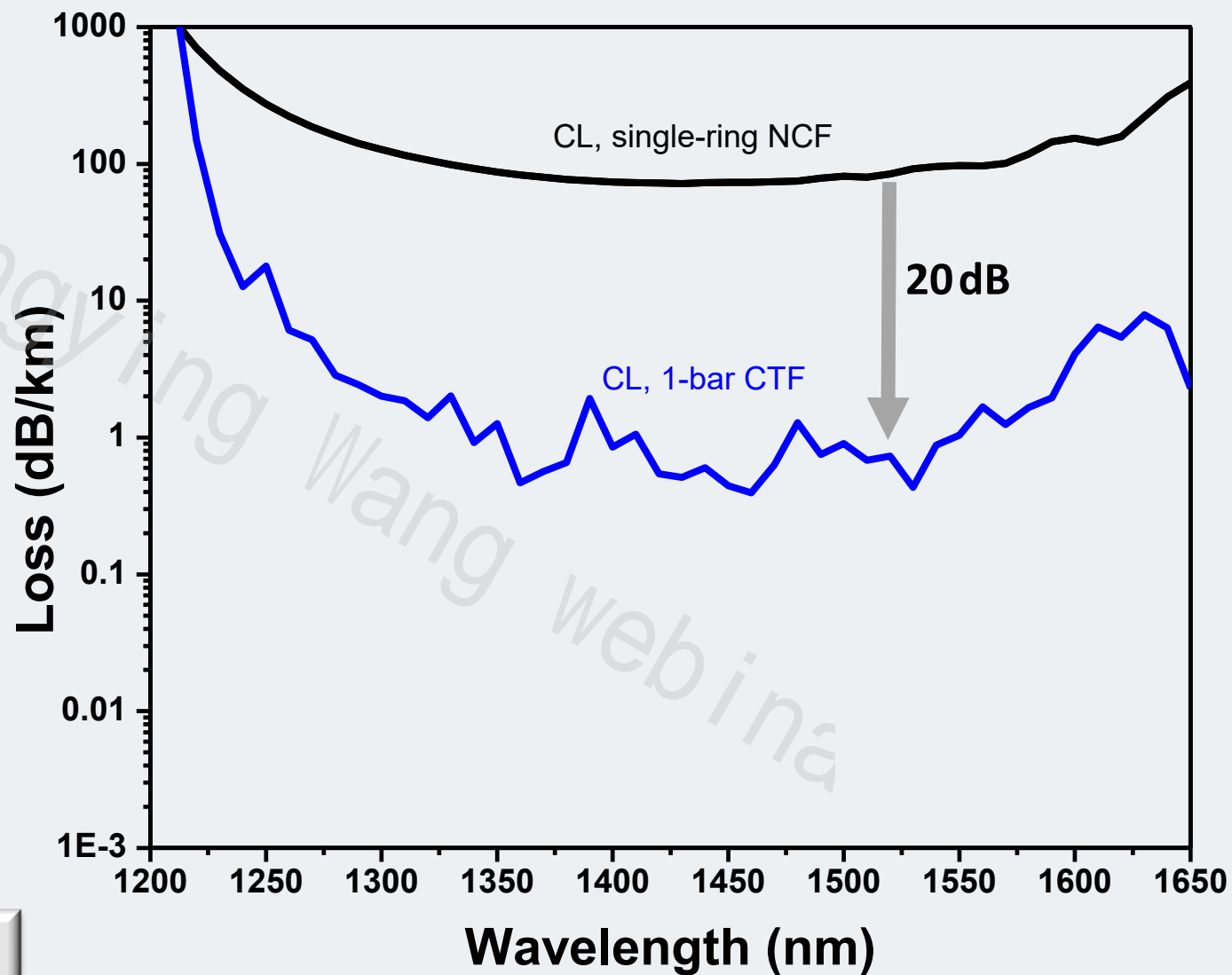


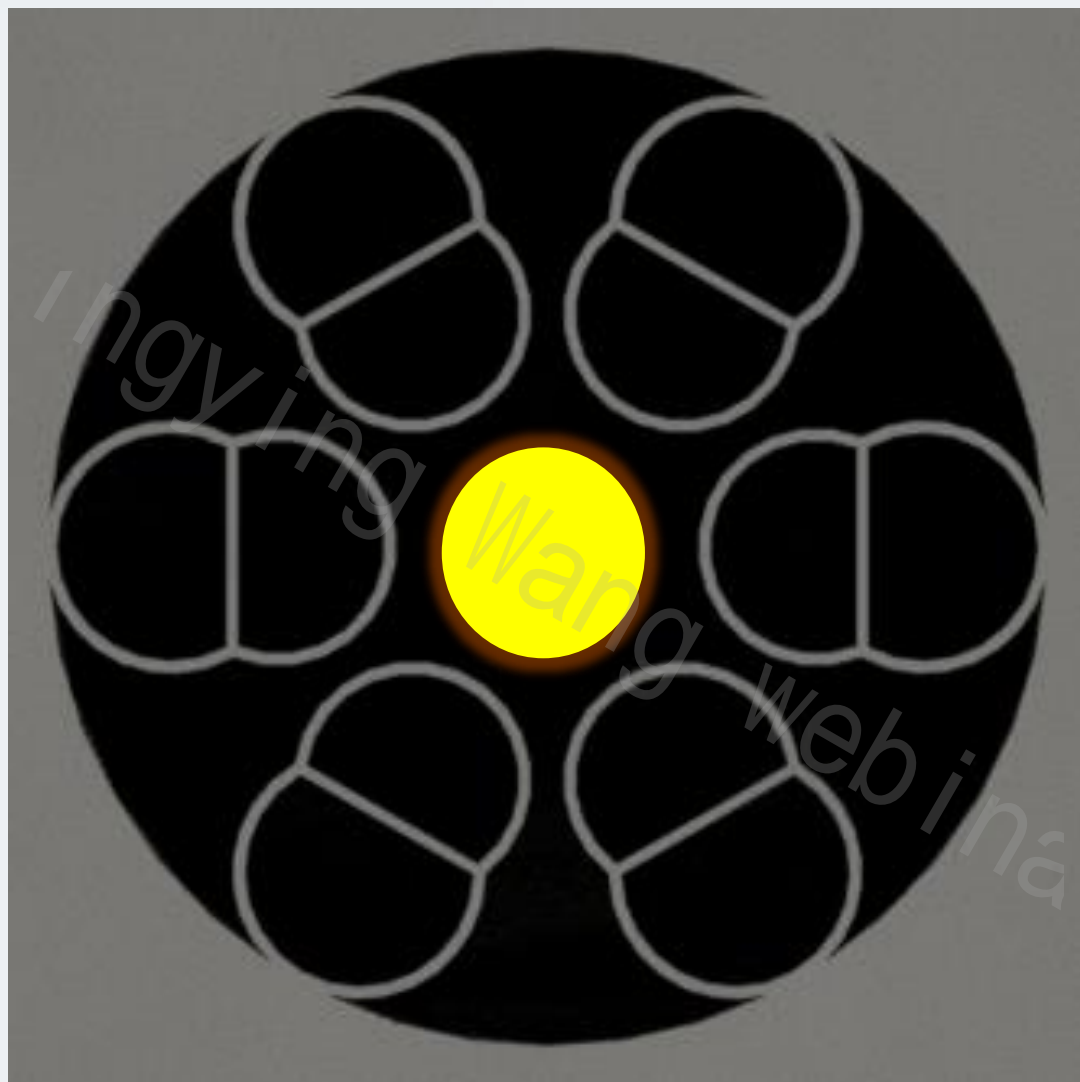
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◆ Simulation results

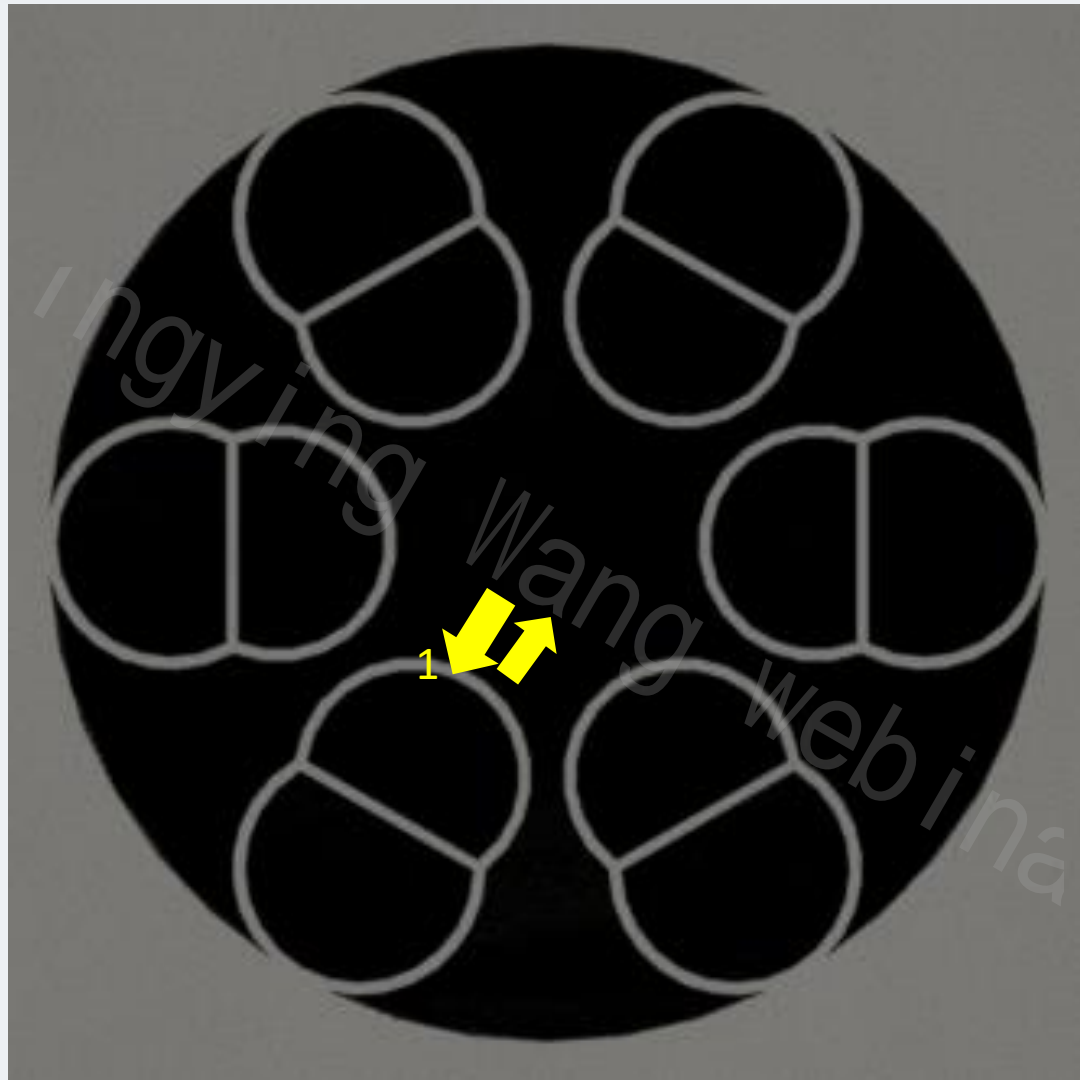


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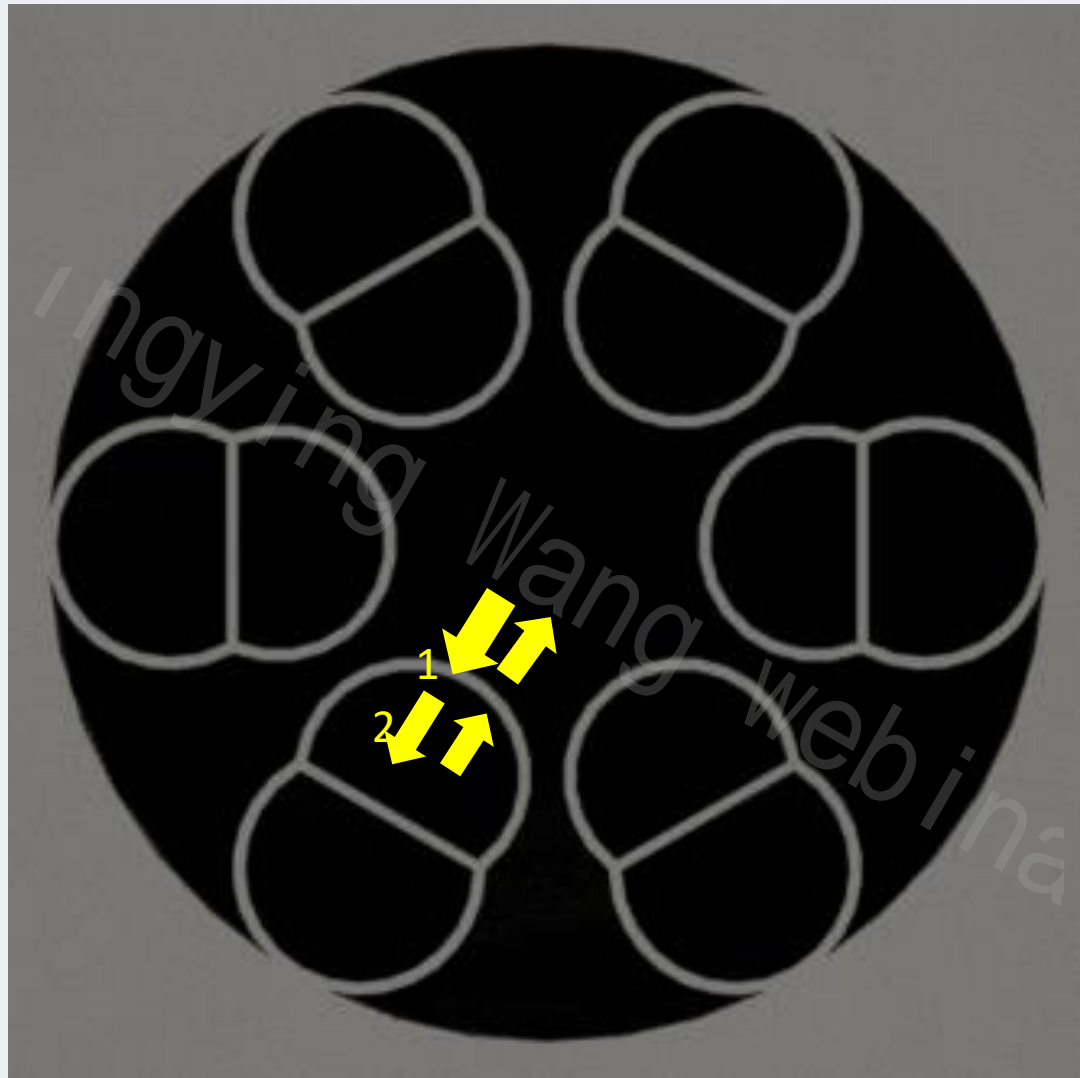




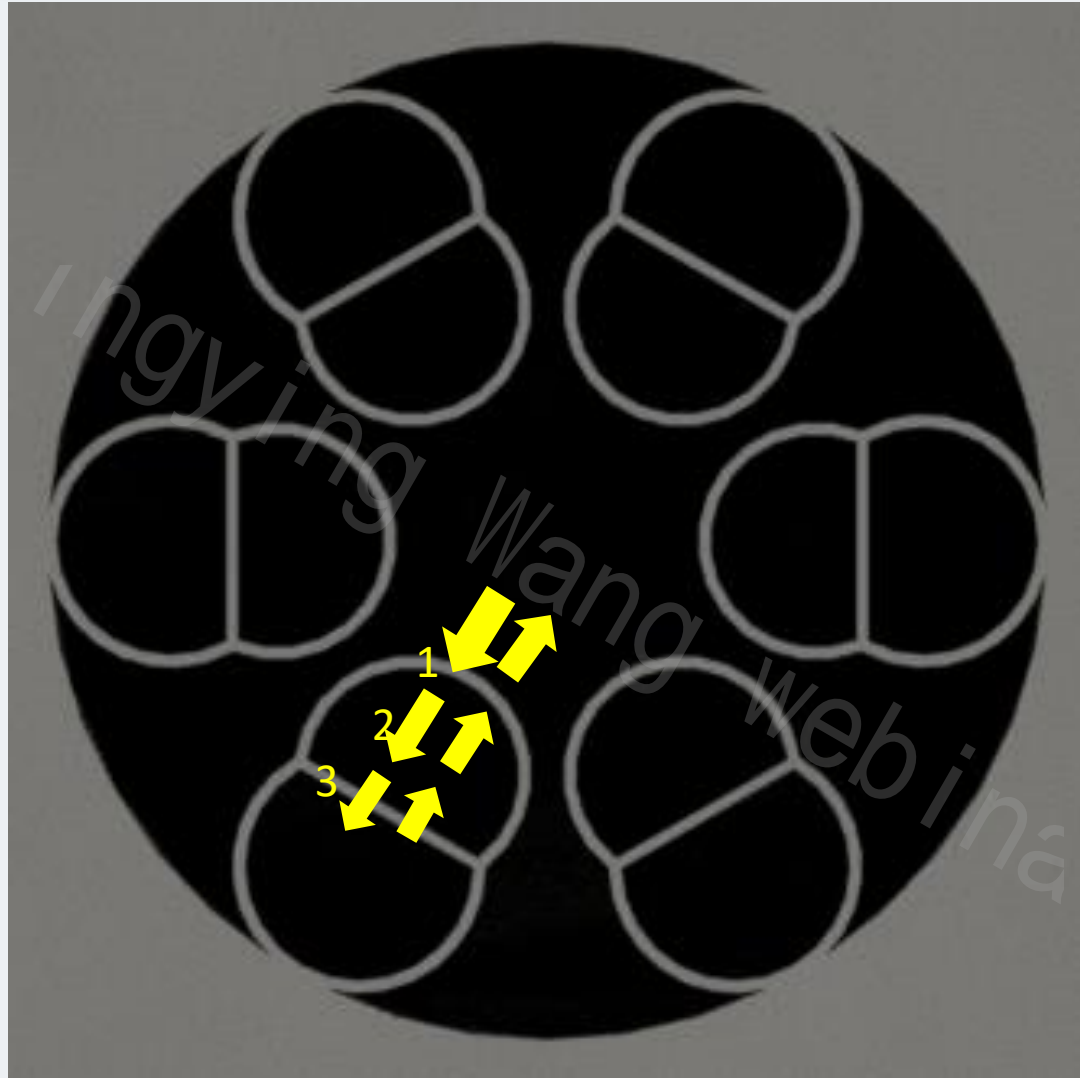
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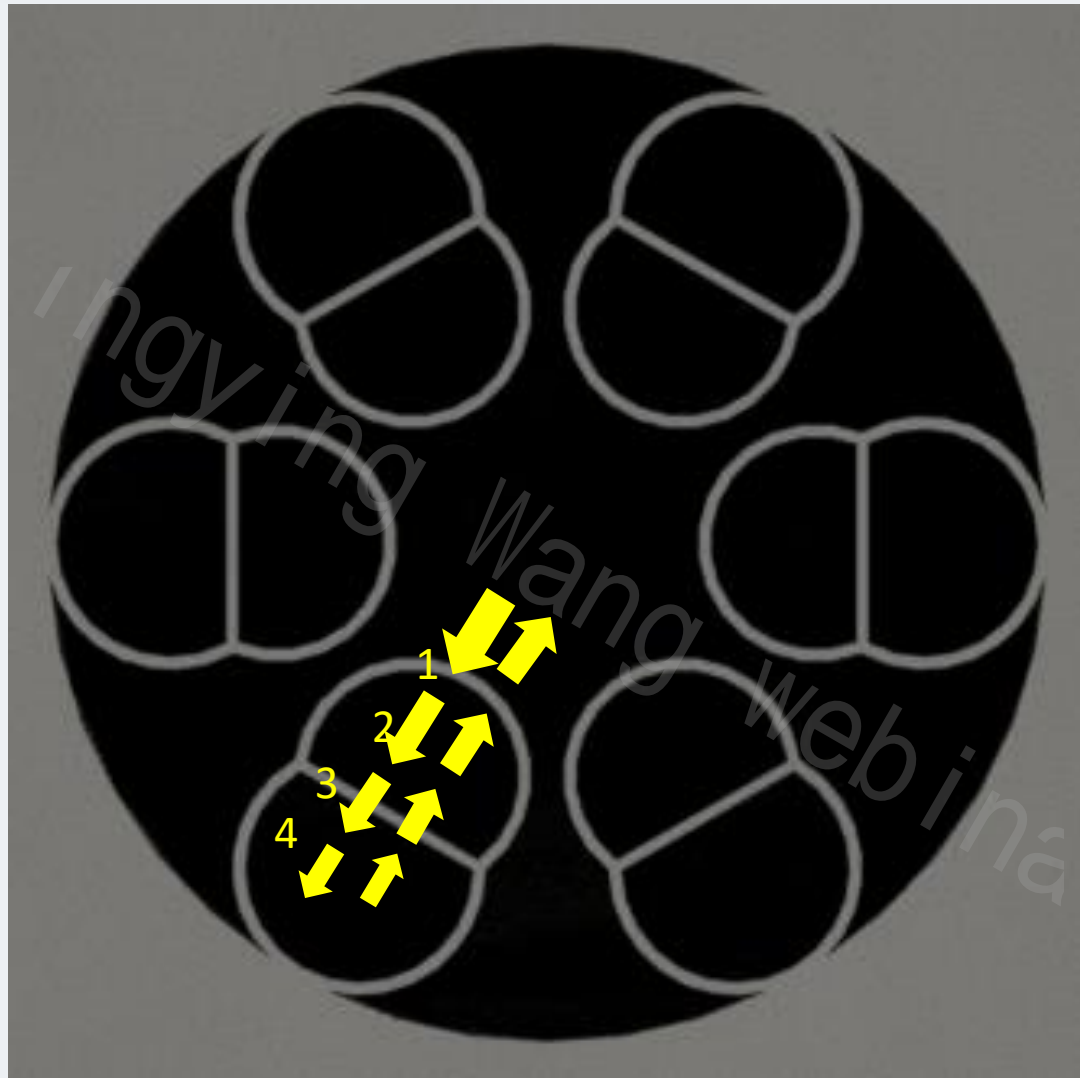
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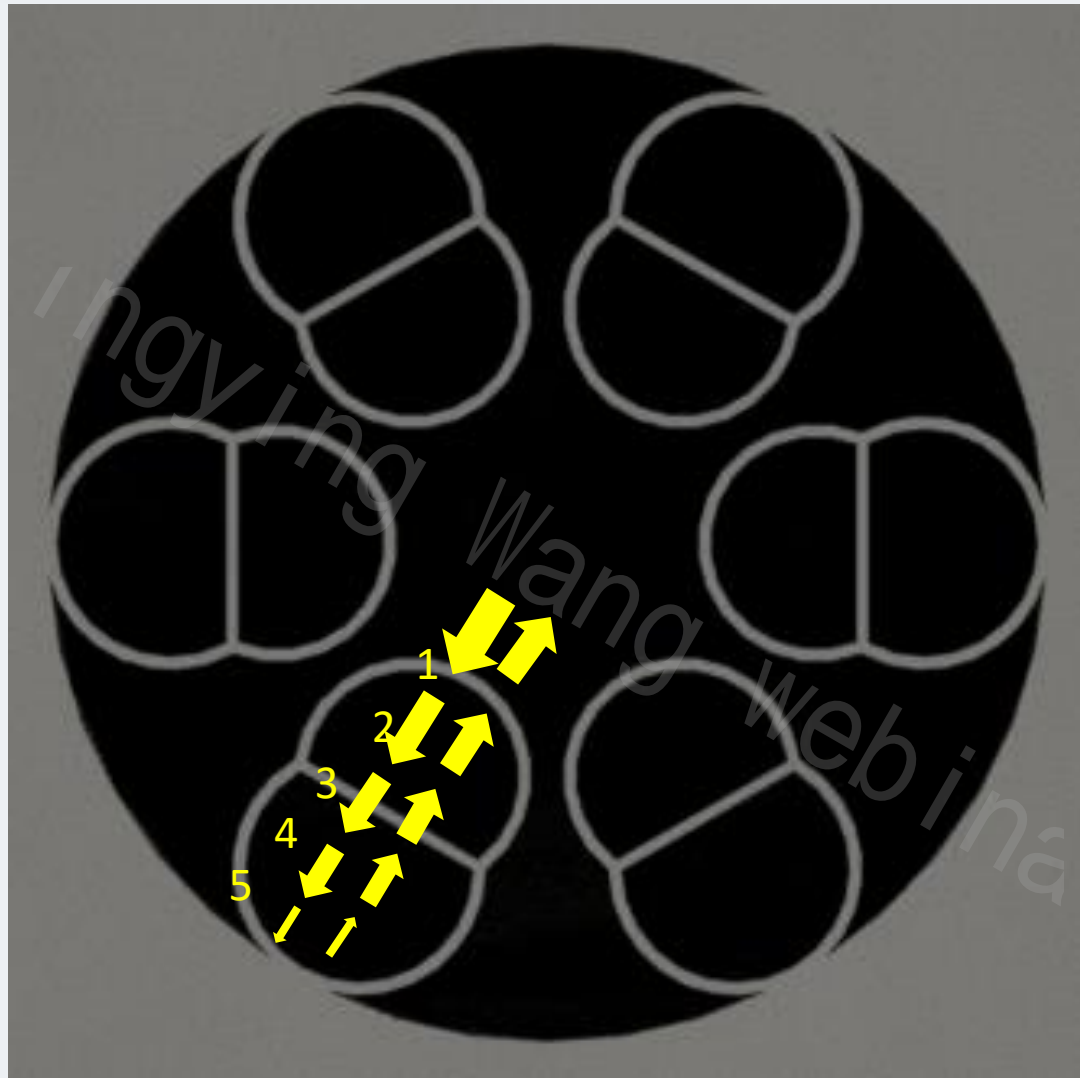
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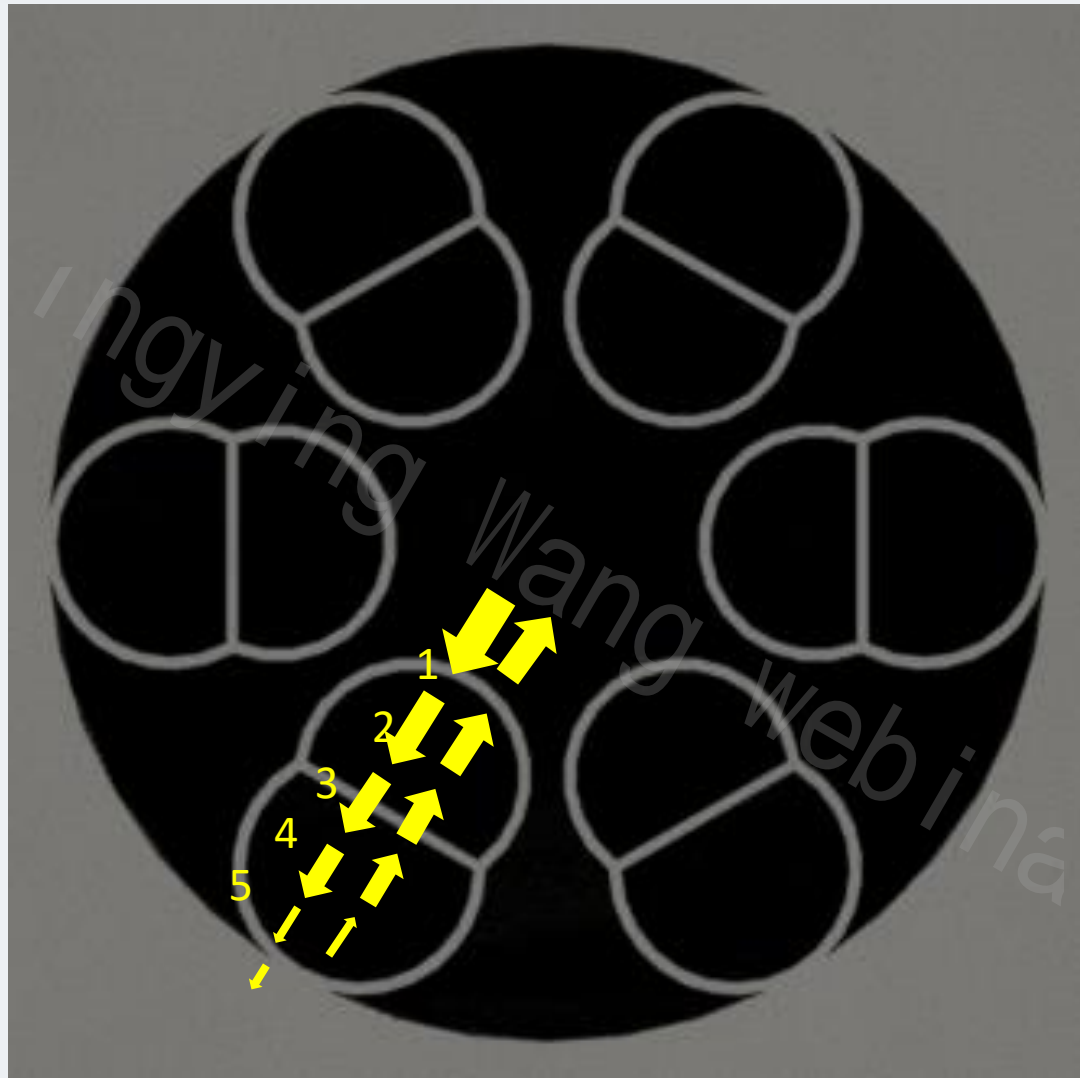
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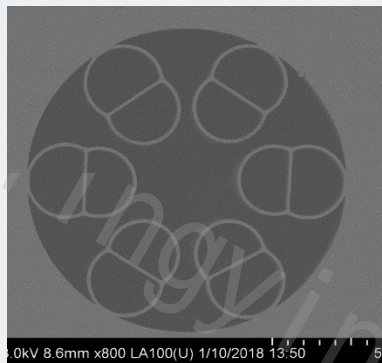


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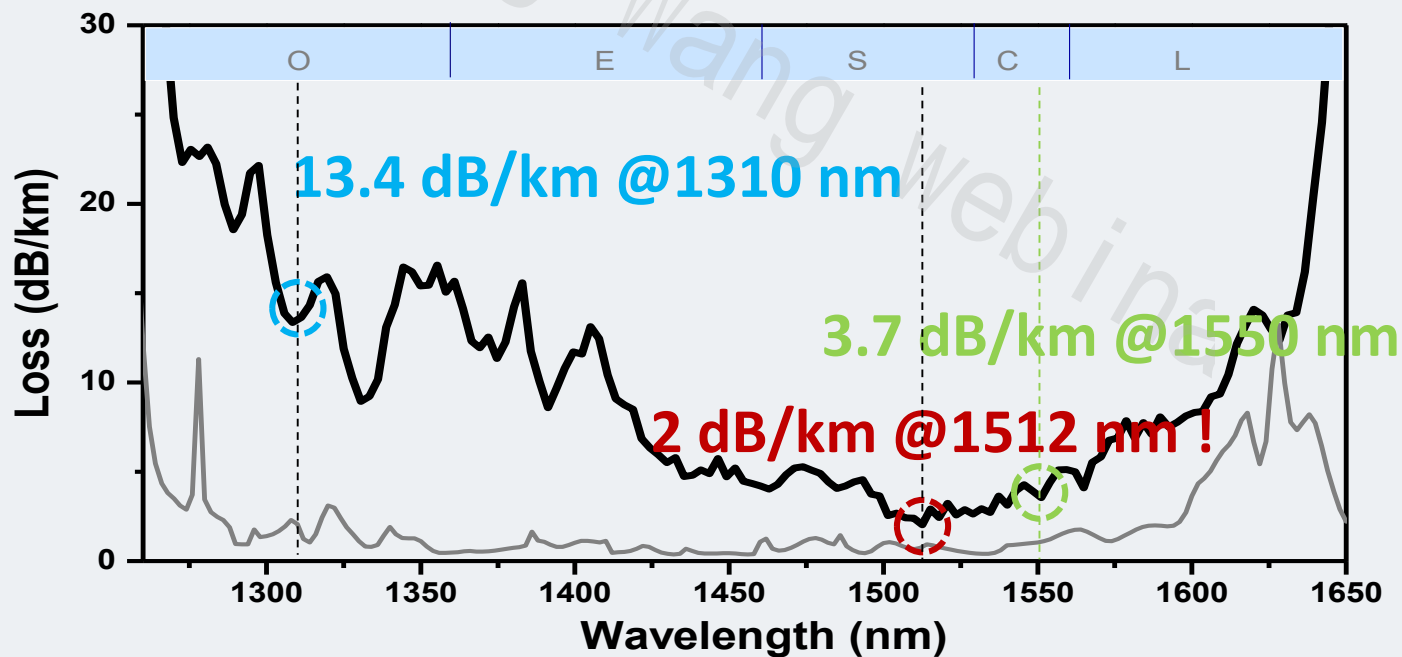
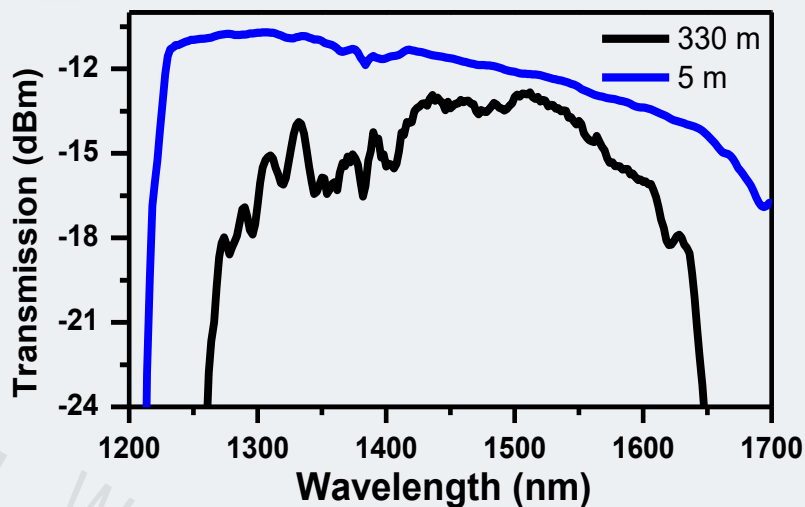


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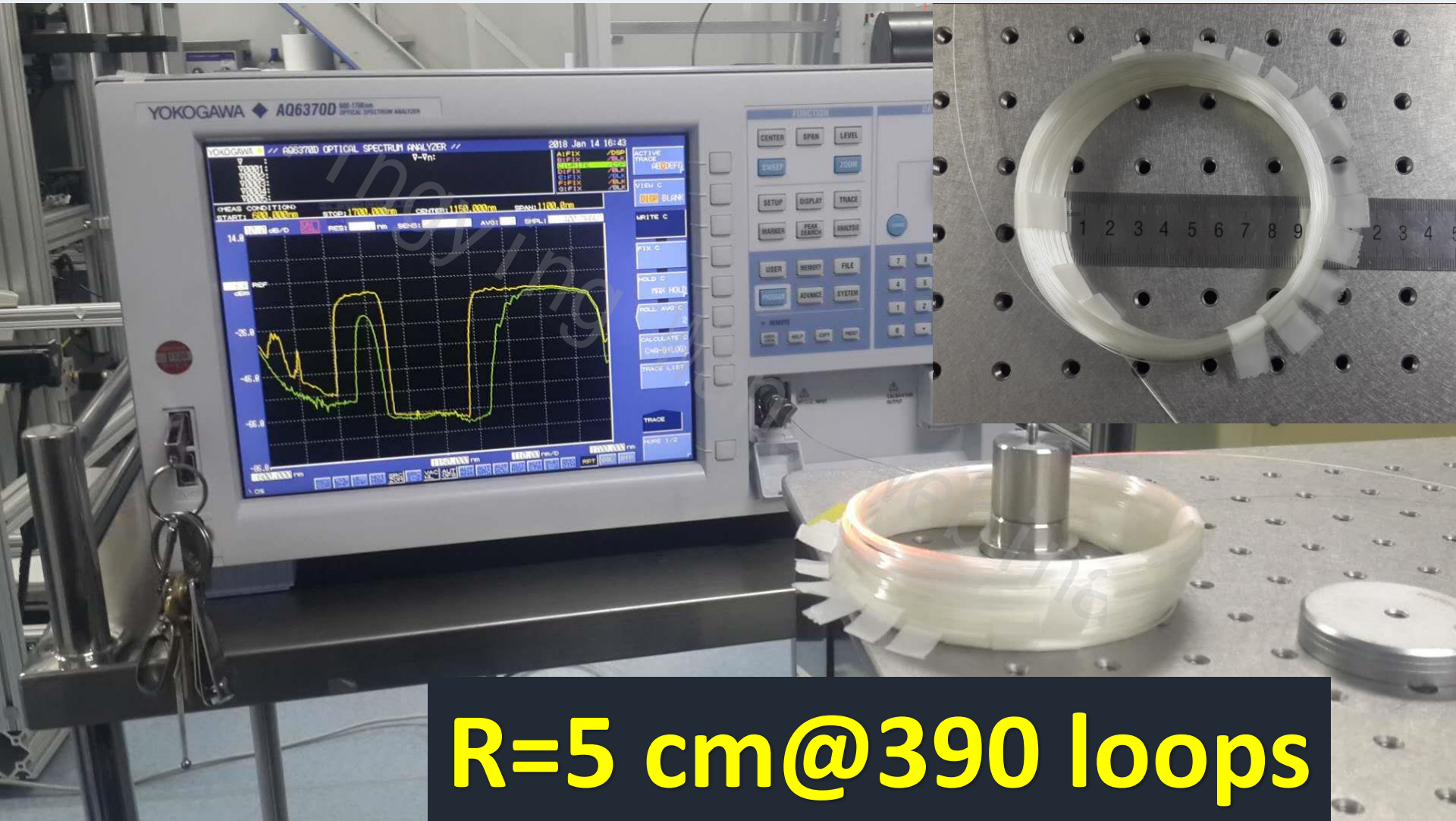
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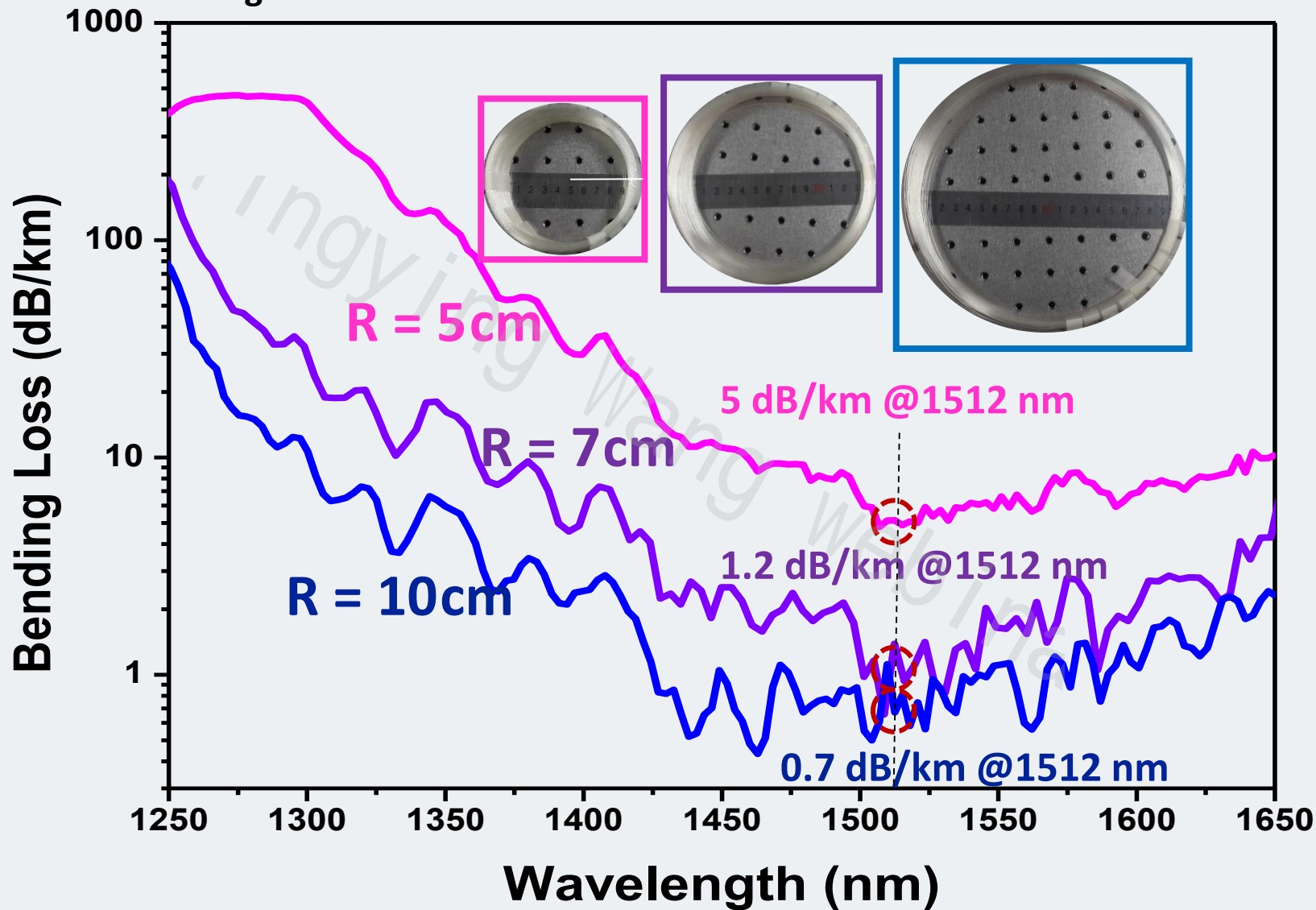
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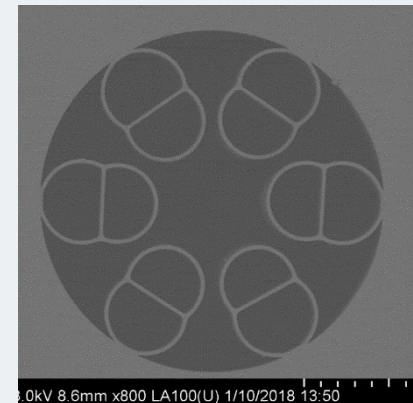
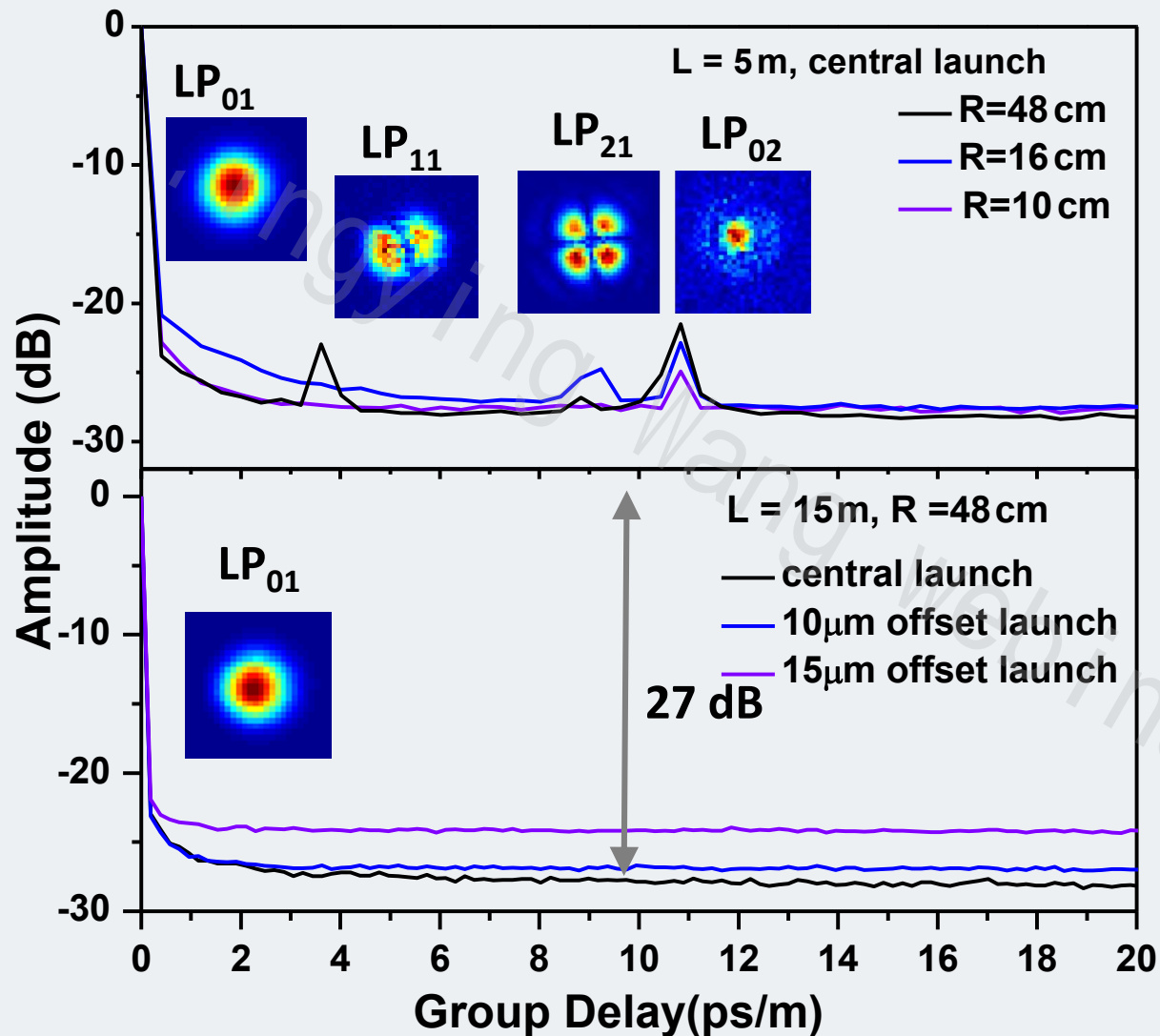
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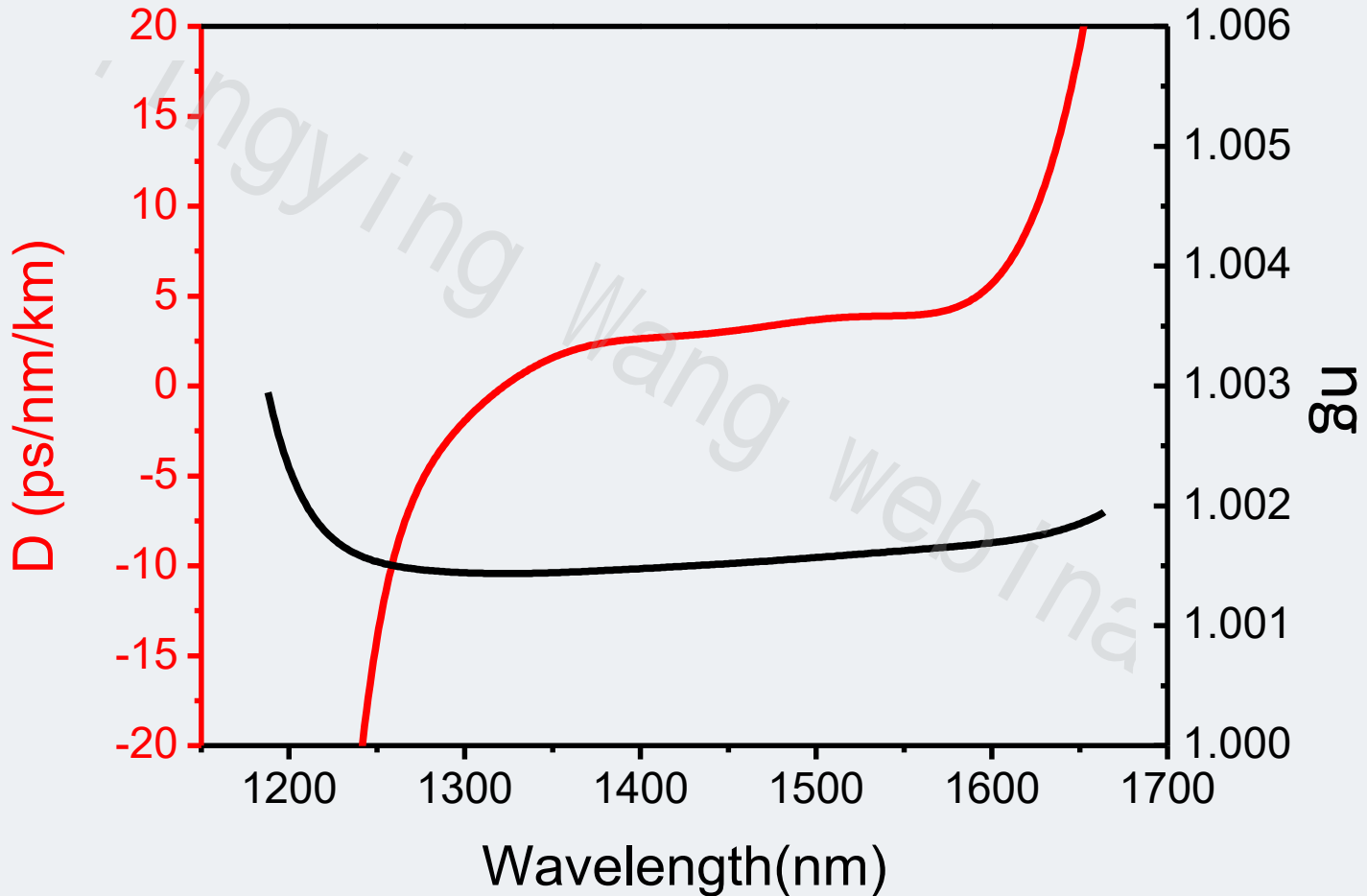
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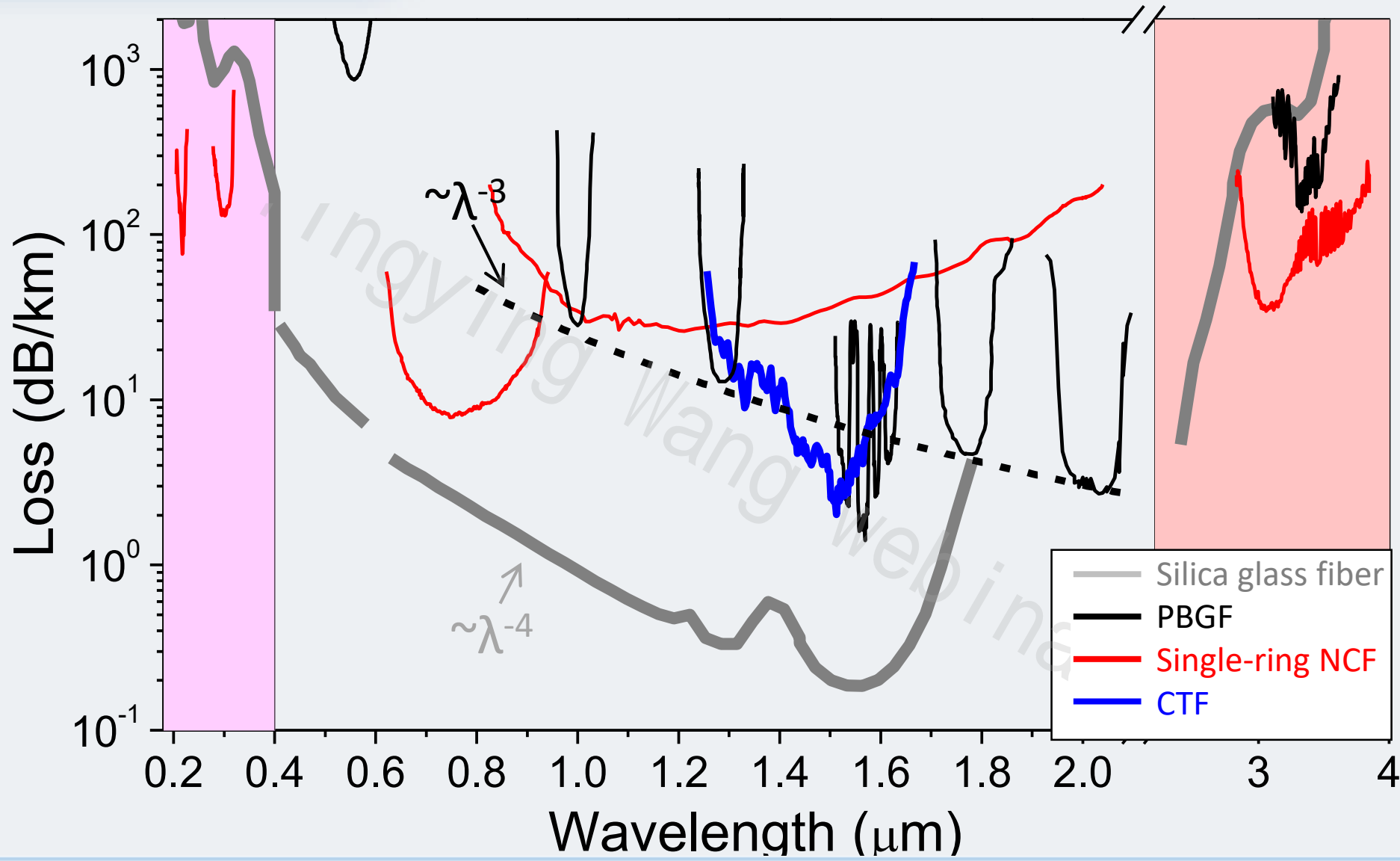
③ Mode quality (S^2 measurement)



④ Dispersion

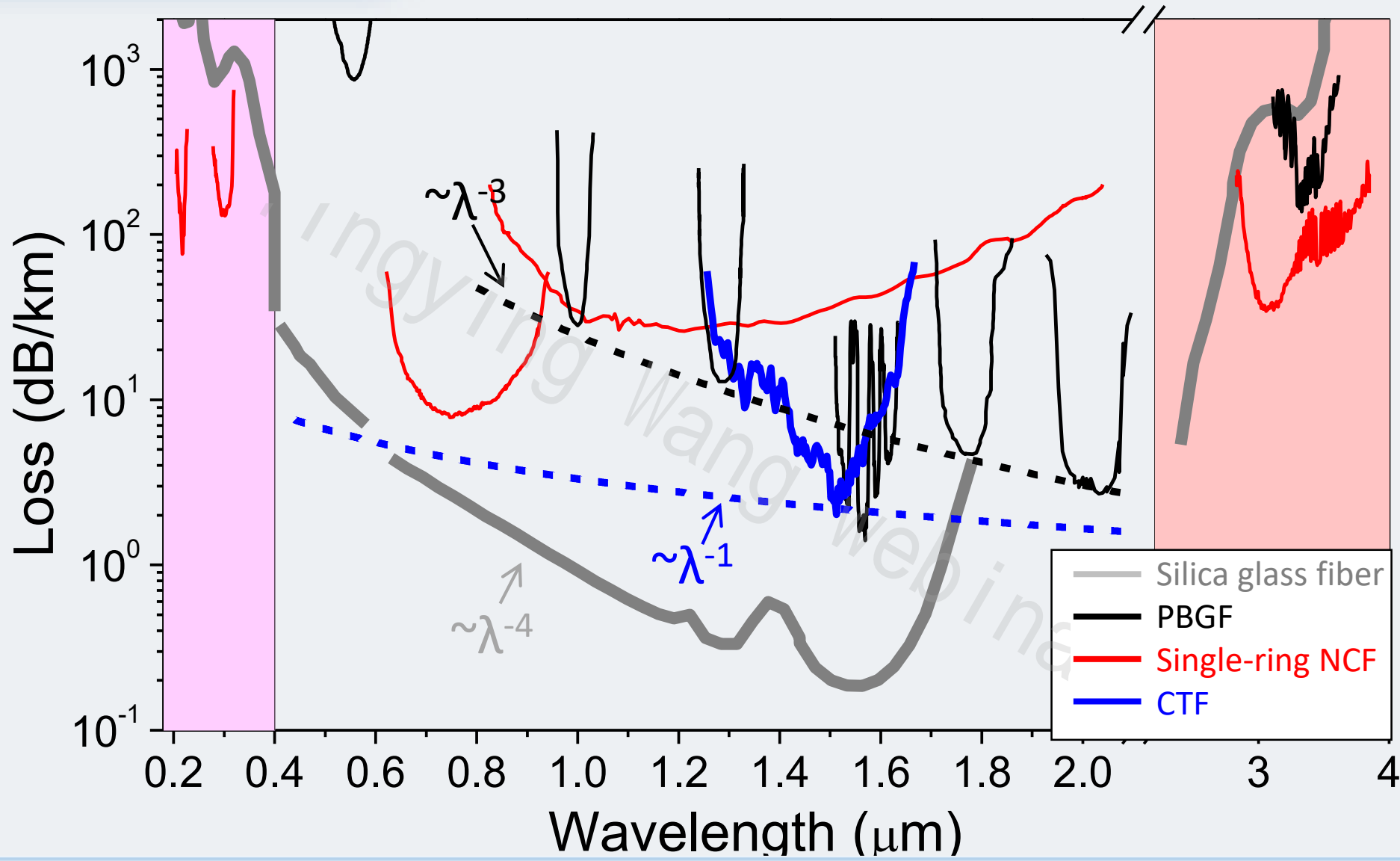


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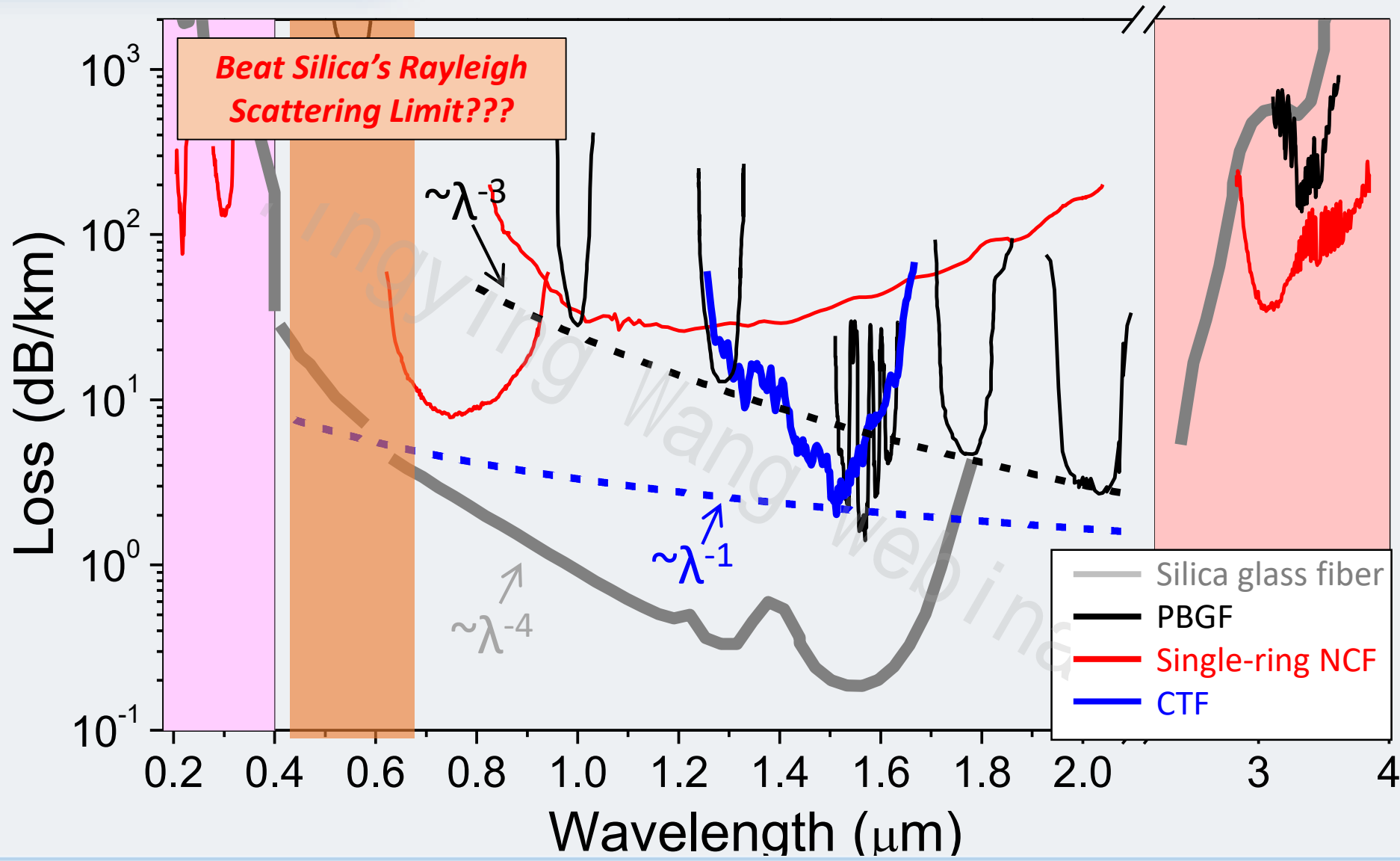
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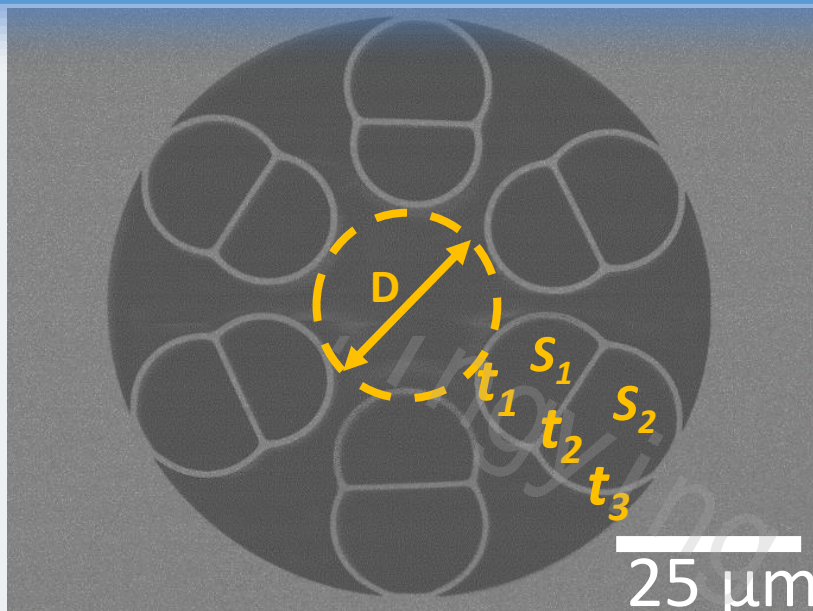
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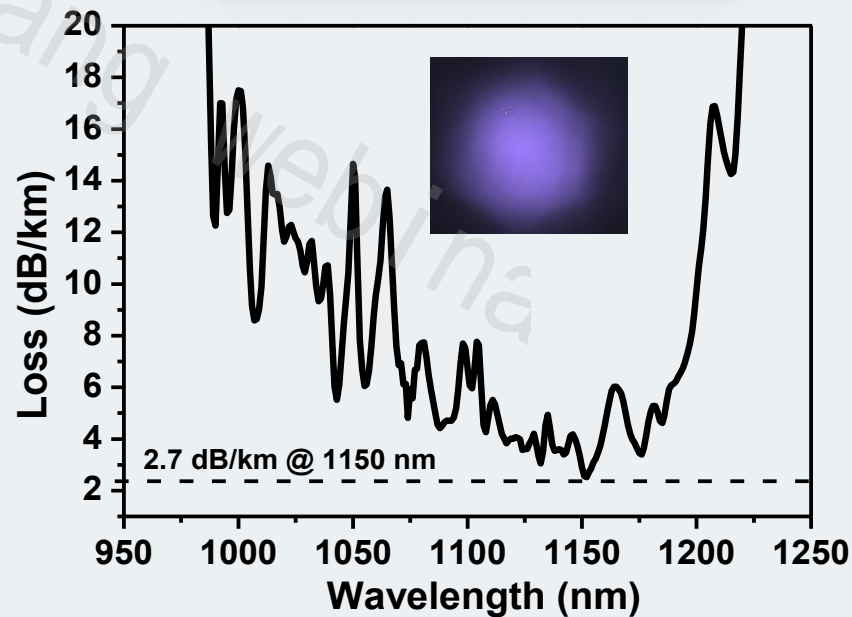
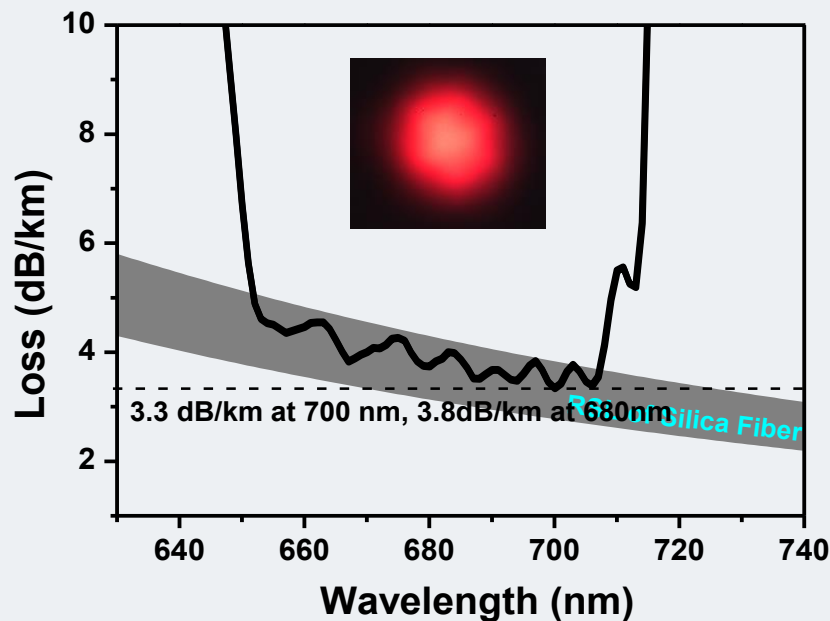
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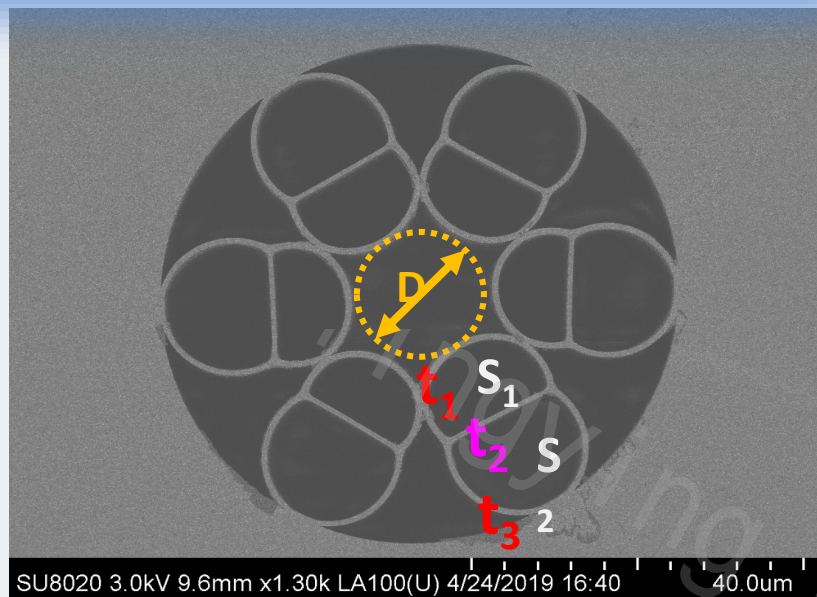


Parameters

- 1 $D = 25\ \mu\text{m}$
- 2 $t_1 = 0.84\ \mu\text{m}$
- 3 $t_2 = 0.74\ \mu\text{m}$
- 4 $t_3 = 0.83\ \mu\text{m}$
- 5 $S_1 = 182\ \mu\text{m}^2$
- 6 $S_2 = 223\ \mu\text{m}^2$



Ultralow loss conjoined-tube NCF



Parameters

1 $D = 20 \mu\text{m}$

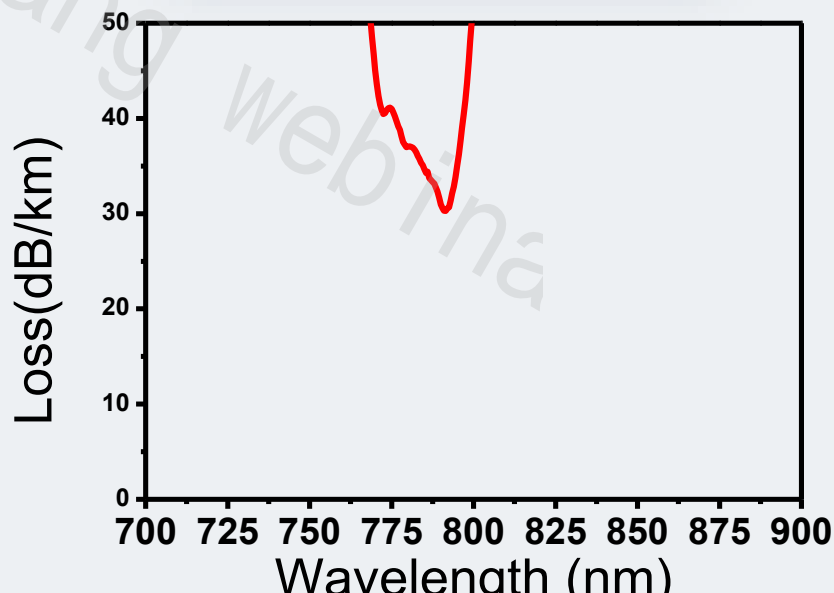
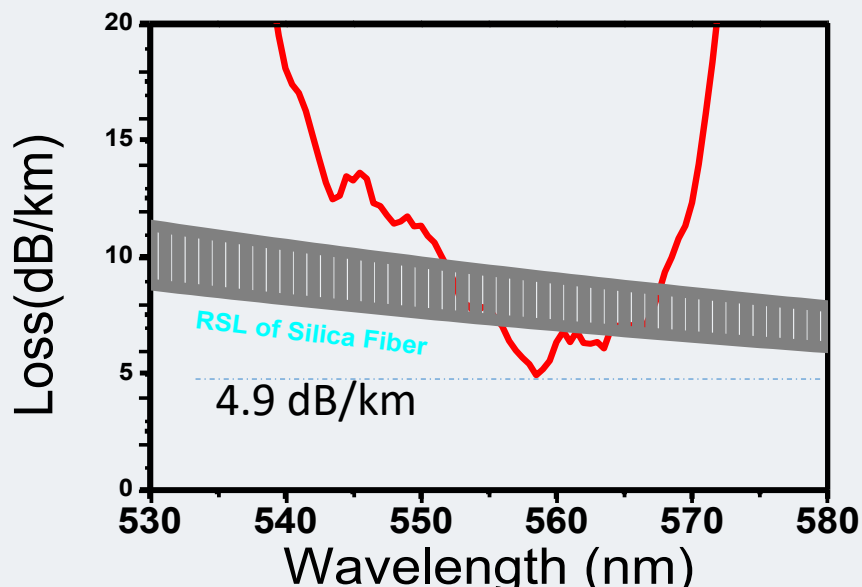
2 $t_1 = 0.9 \mu\text{m}$

3 $t_2 = 0.685 \mu\text{m}$

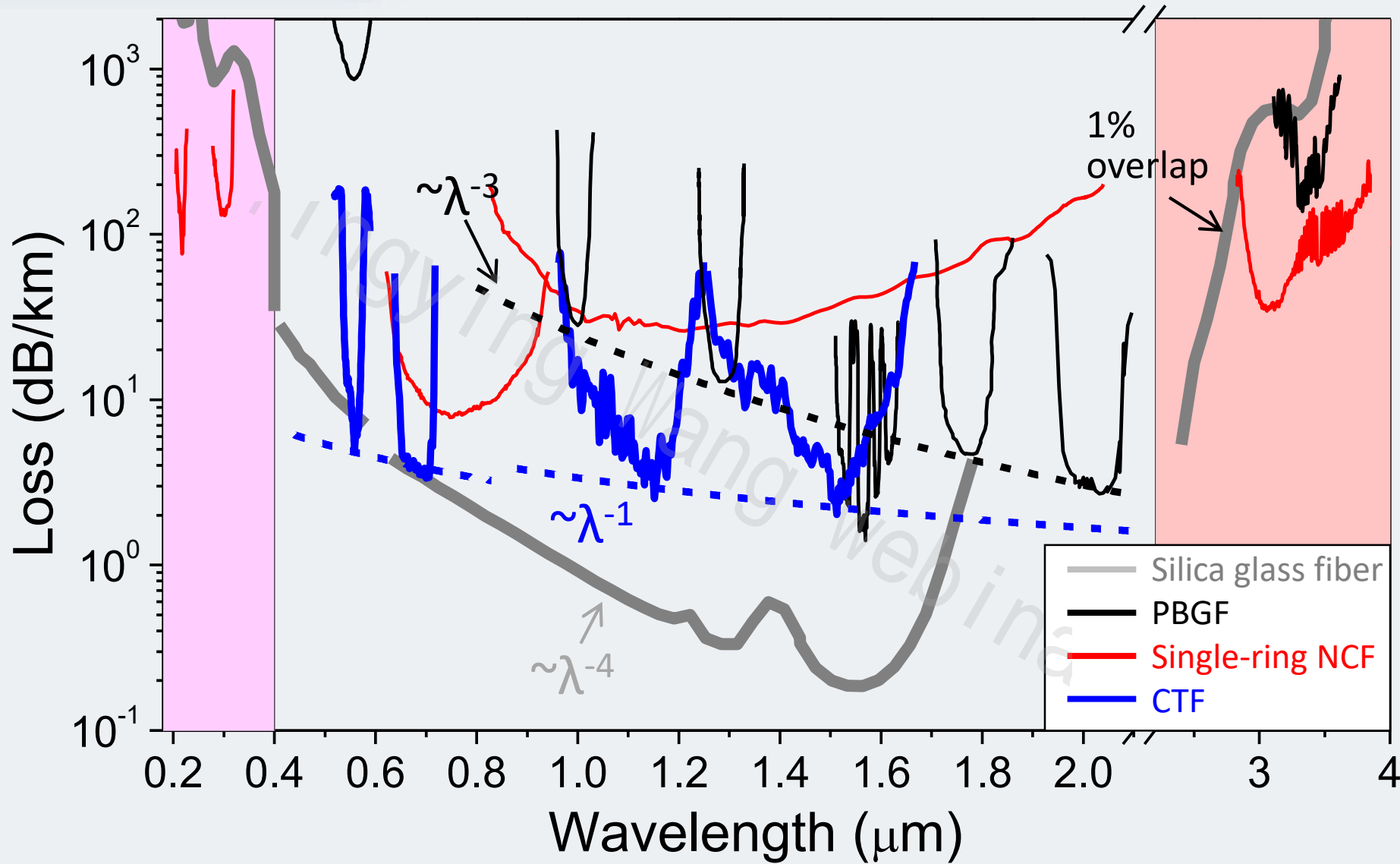
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5 $S_1 = 164 \mu\text{m}^2$

6 $S_2 = 251 \mu\text{m}^2$

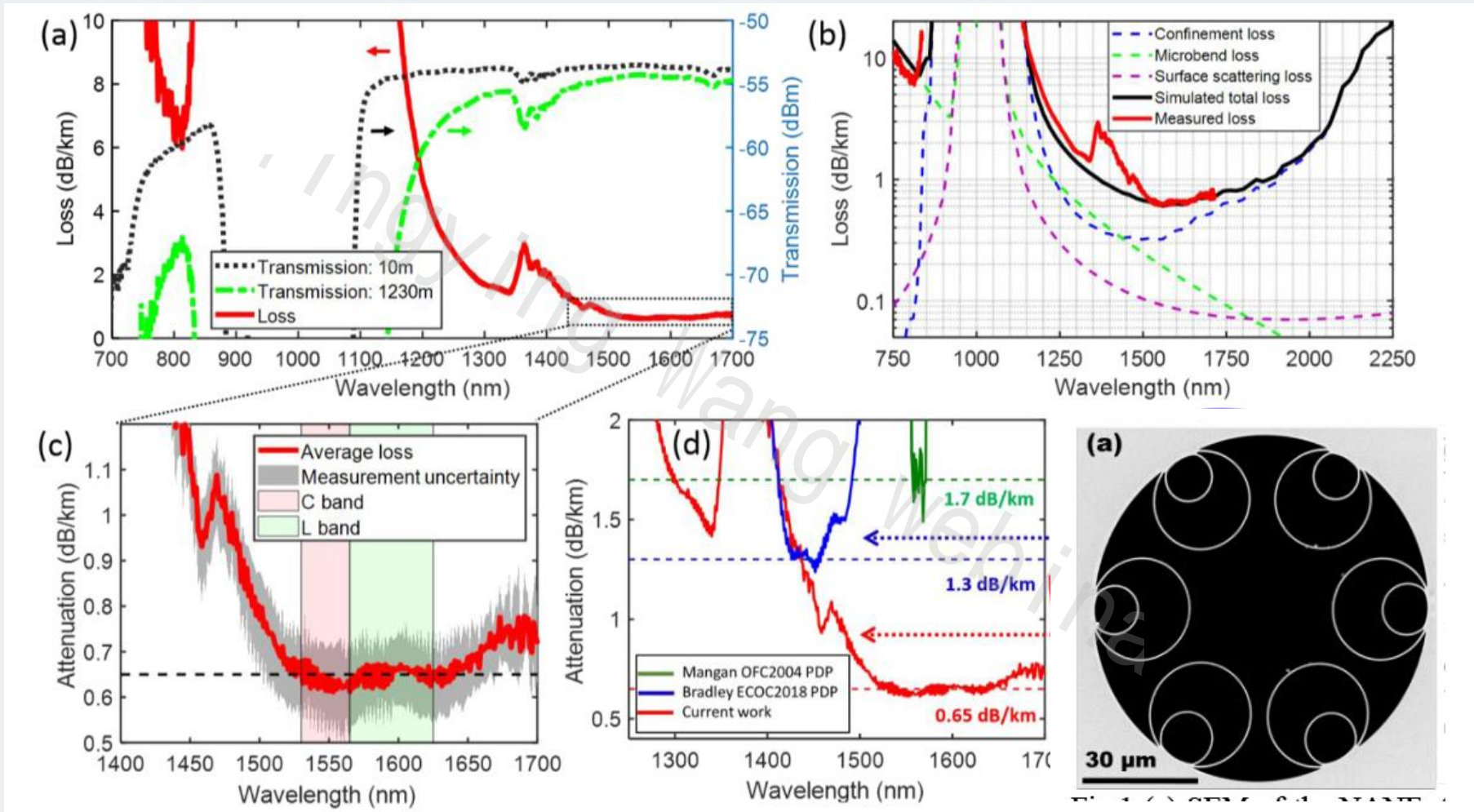


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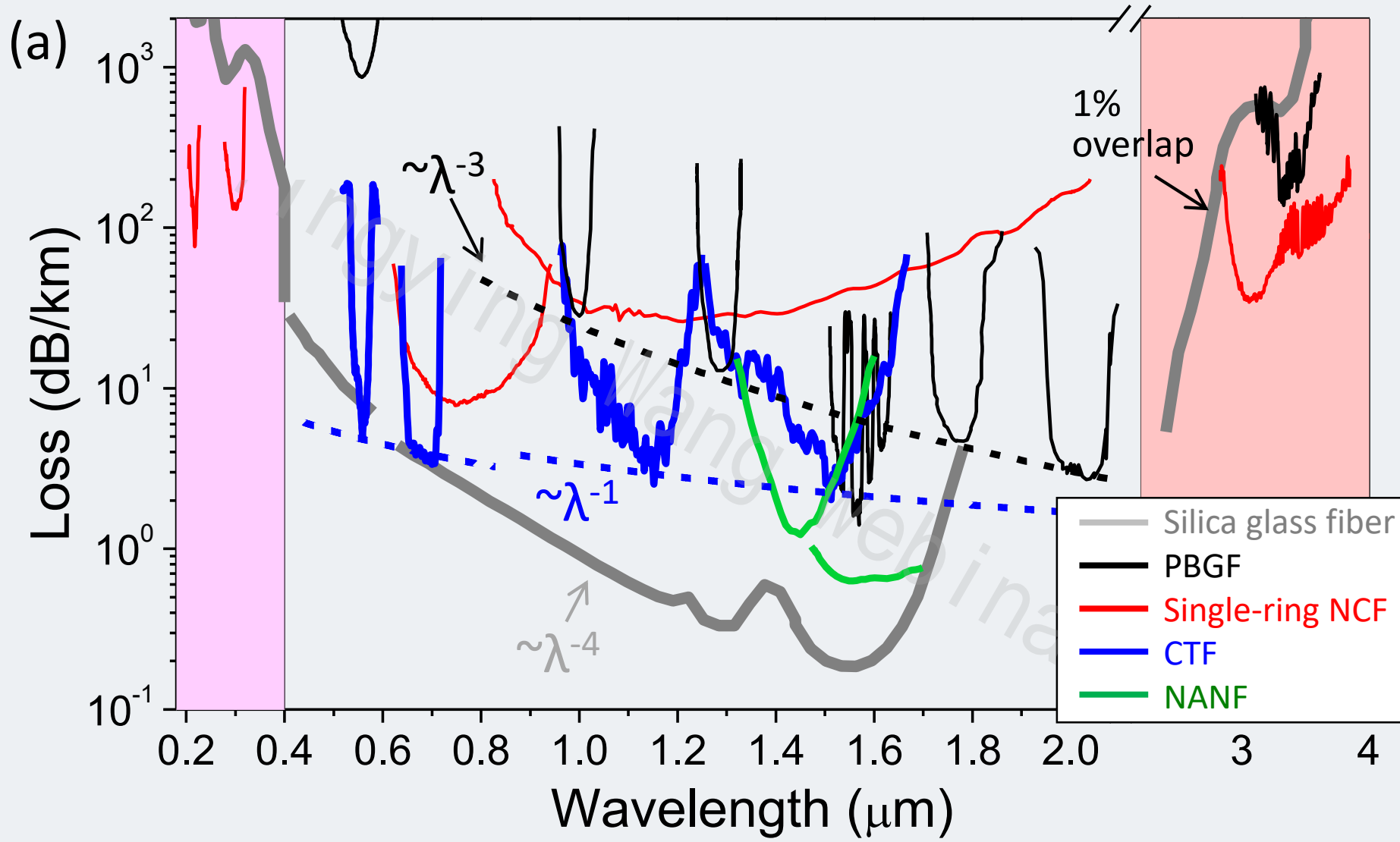


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Latest Results: 0.65 dB/km at C and L band

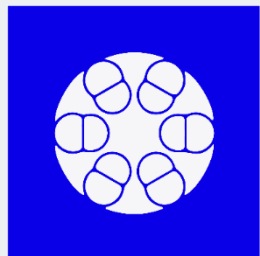
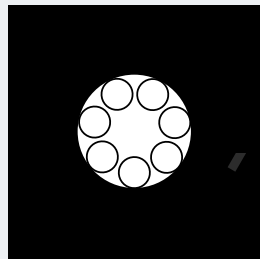


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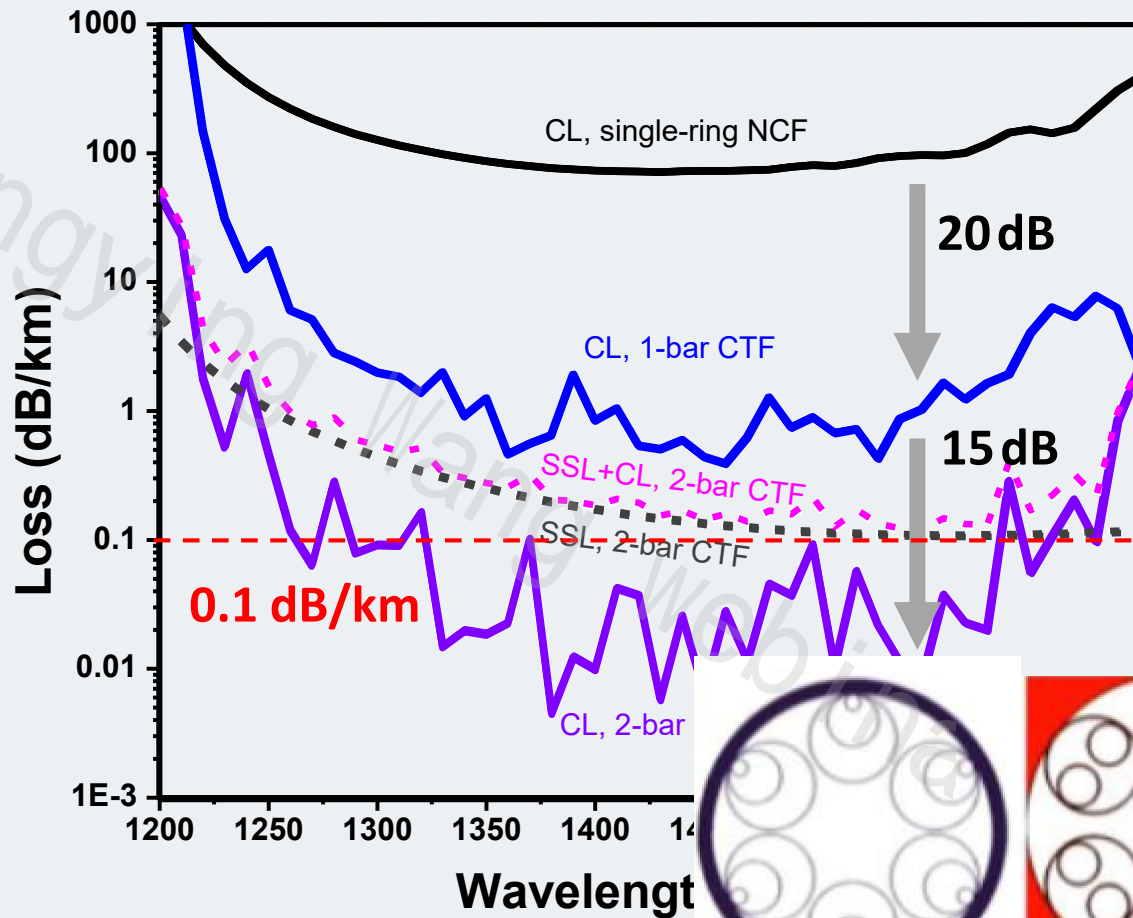


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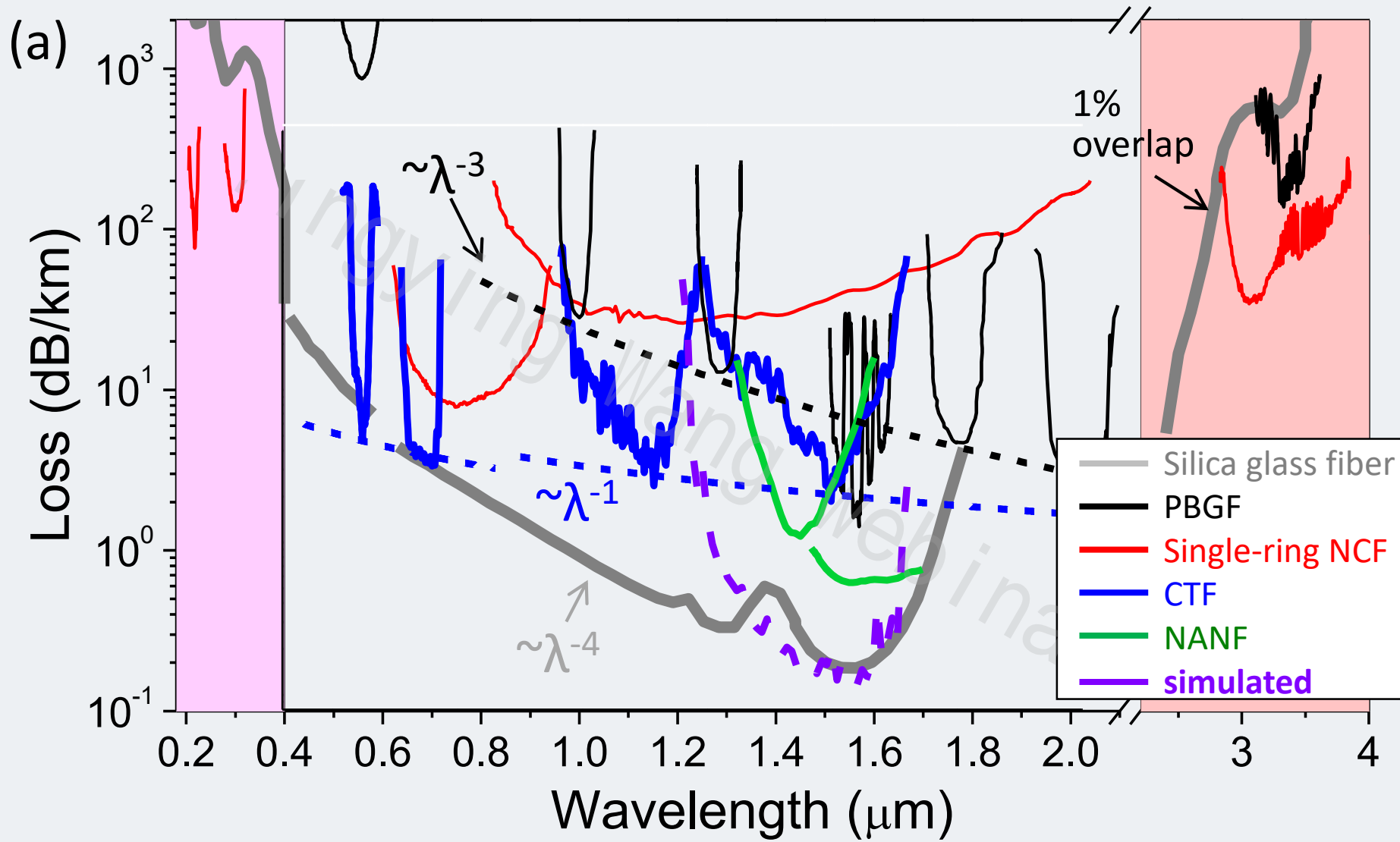
◆ Further optimization?



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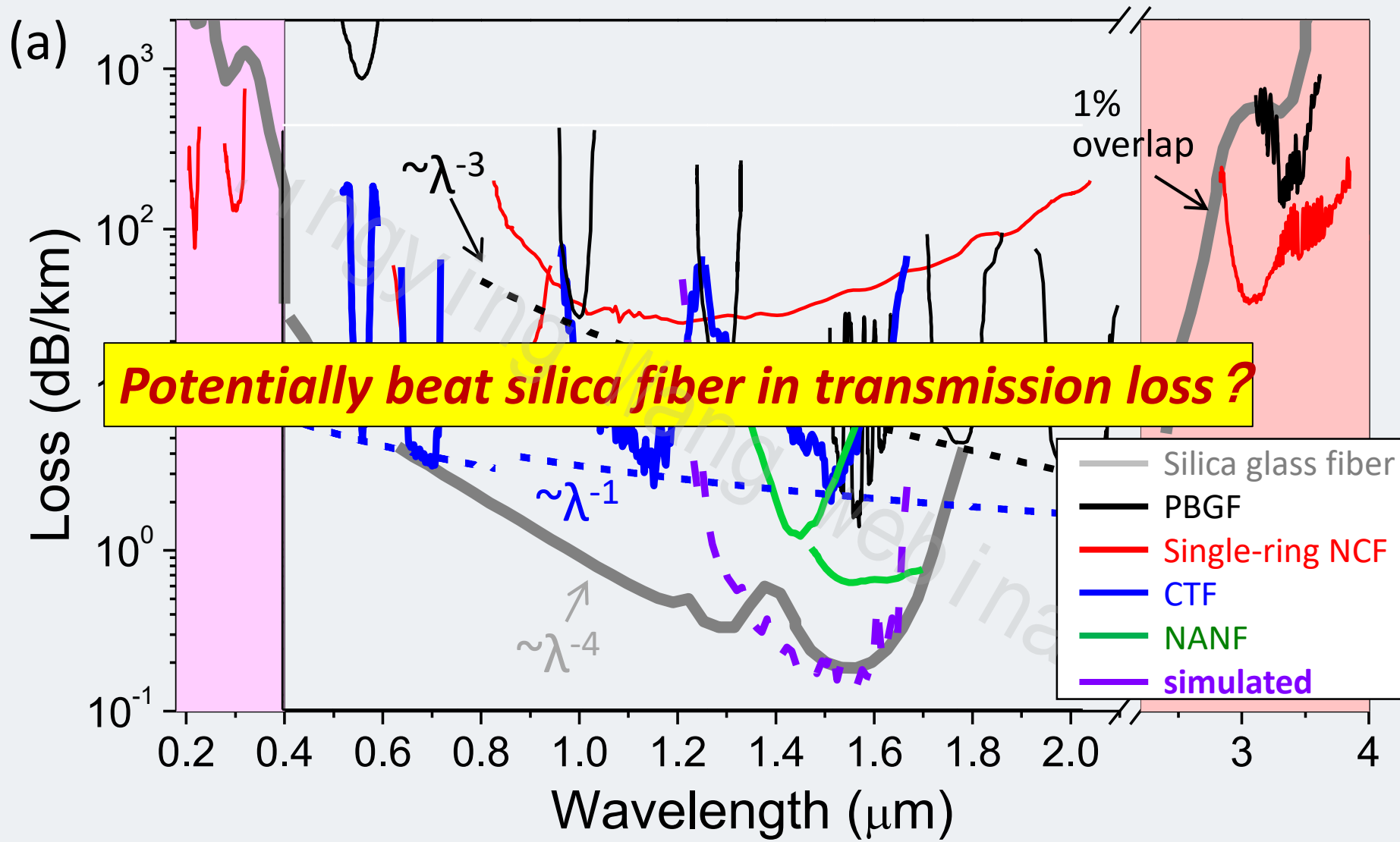


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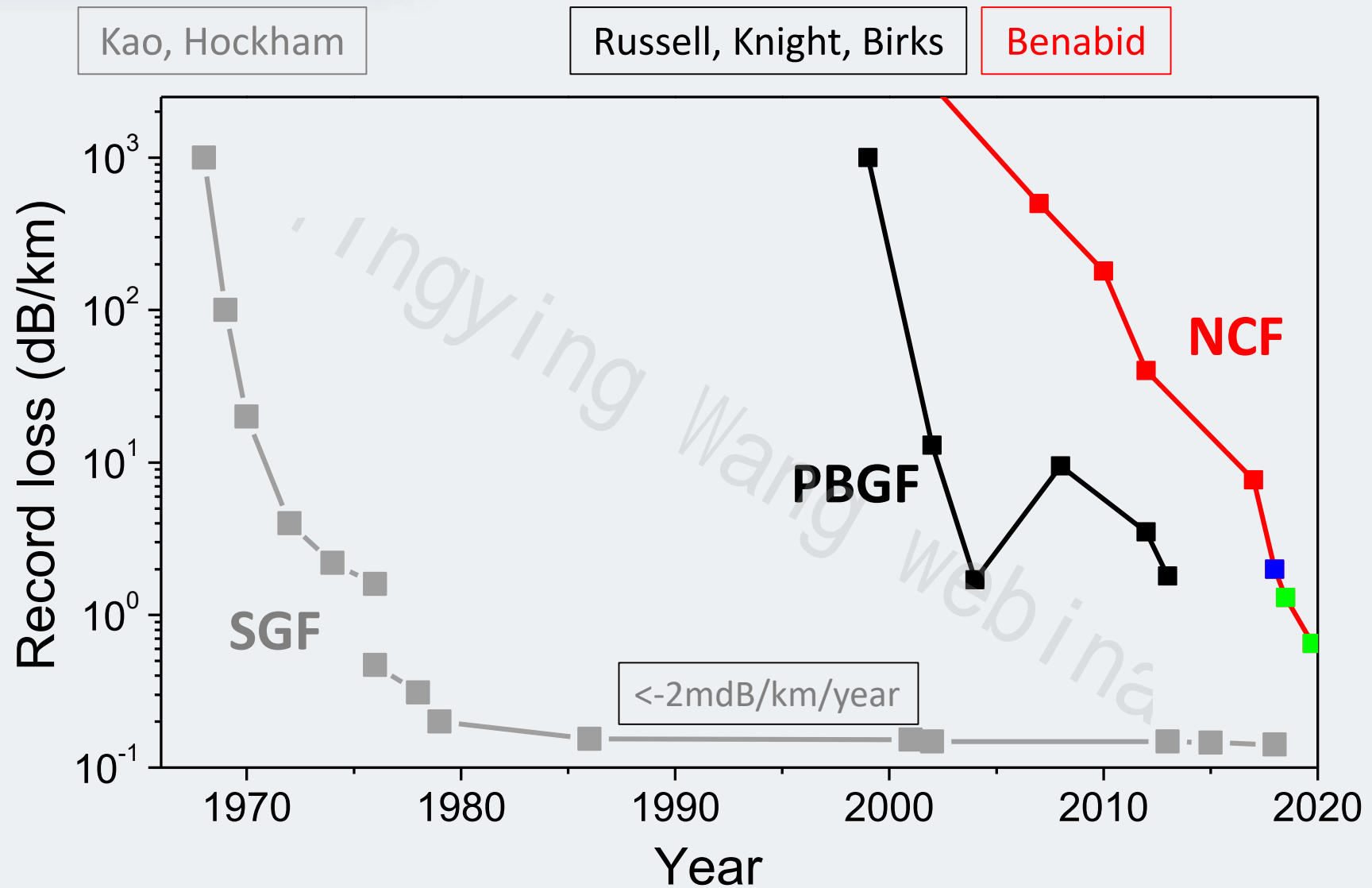
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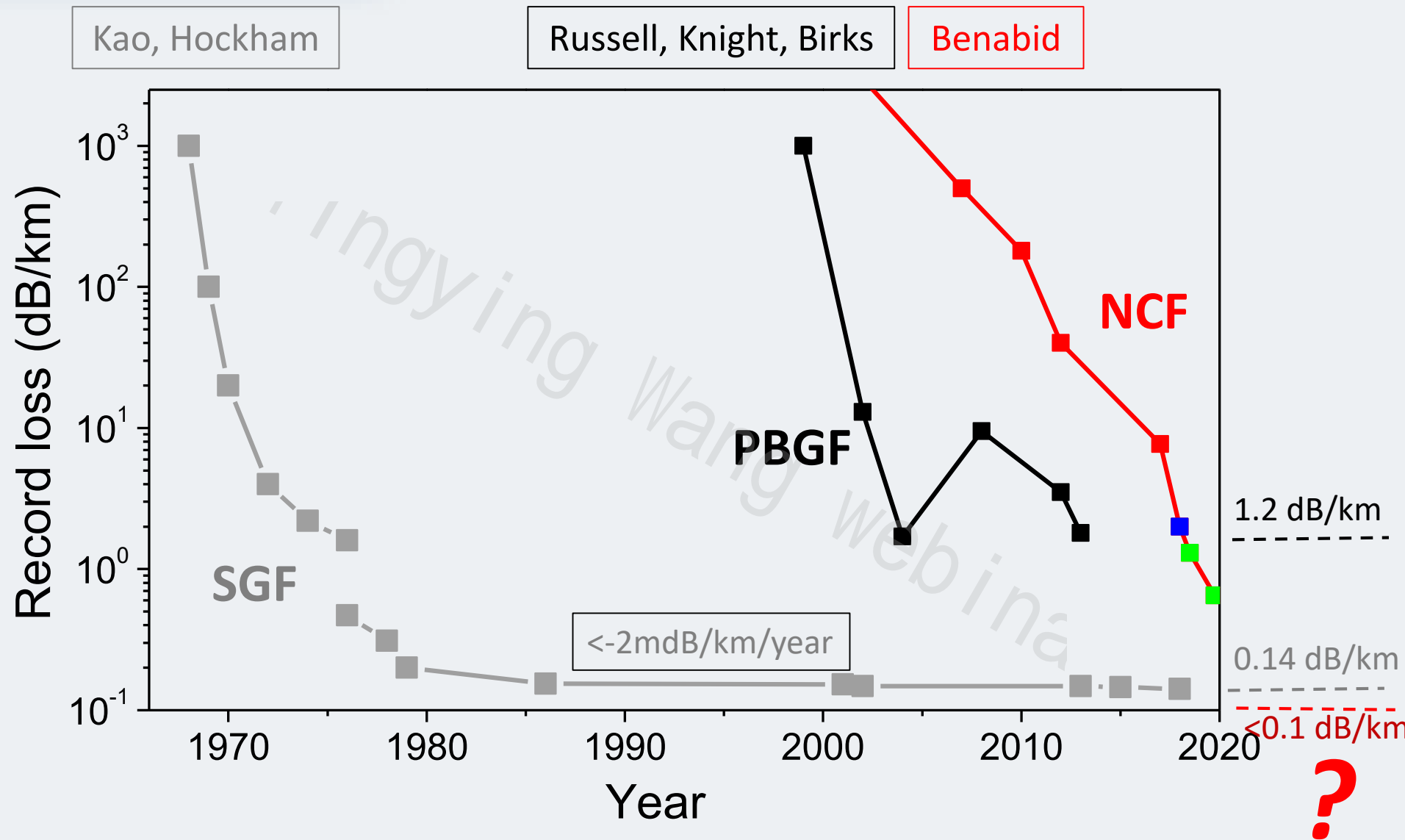


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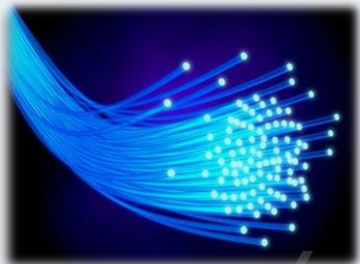
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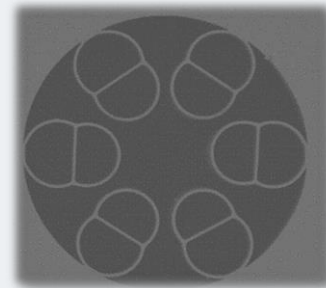
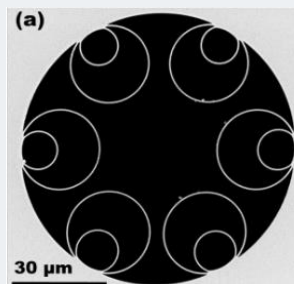
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Solid VS Hollow Fiber



VS



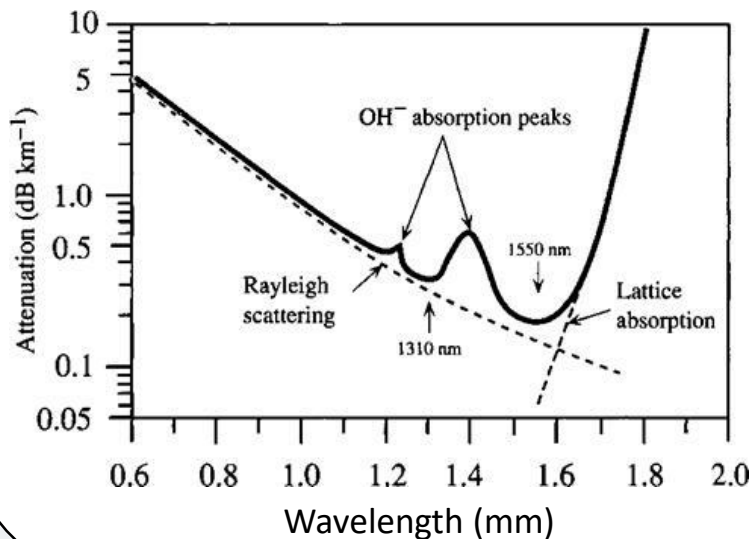
Material limitation

Absorption

Dispersion

Nonlinearity

Damage threshold



Transmission in air

Low latency

Low dispersion

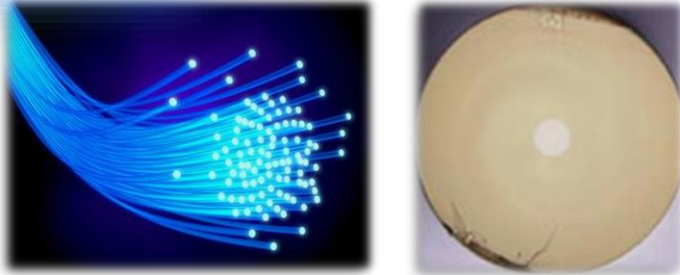
Low nonlinearity

High damage threshold

Arbitrary transmission window

Comparison

Solid core fiber



Loss: 0.14 dB/km



Length: thousands of kilometers



Price: <1 \$



splice: Simple, low loss



Dispersion: 10s of ps/nm/km



Nonlinearity : $2.2\sim 3.4 \times 10^{-20} \text{m}^2/\text{W}$



Damage: MW level peak power

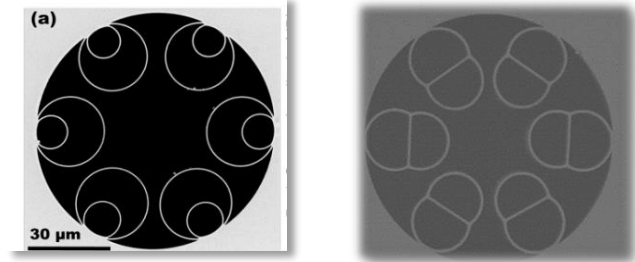


speed: $c/1.45$



Application: widely used

Hollow core fiber



Loss: 0.65 dB/km



Length: kilometers



Price: Thousands \$



splice: complicated, higher loss



Dispersion: A few ps/nm/km



Nonlinearity: $\sim 10^{-23} \text{m}^2/\text{W}$



Damage: > GW peak power



speed: $\sim c$



Application: **in its infancy**

VS



Optical communication

Capacity crush?, Low latency?

- ✓ Increase system capacity
- ✓ supercomputers, data centers, financial transactions, 5G, time-sensitive applications



Lasers

Higher power, shorter pulse width, More spectral coverage?

- ✓ High power ultrafast delivery
- ✓ Nonlinear optics in gases: Pulse compression, frequency conversion, etc.

Hollow core fiber:

To replace solid fiber in niche applications



Others

Improved efficiency and sensitivity?

- ✓ Quantum optics: fill with cold atoms
- ✓ Biophotonics: Fill with blood, solvents



Fiber sensing

Harsh environment? Radiation hardness?

- ✓ High precision fiber optic gyroscope
- ✓ Distributed gas sensing



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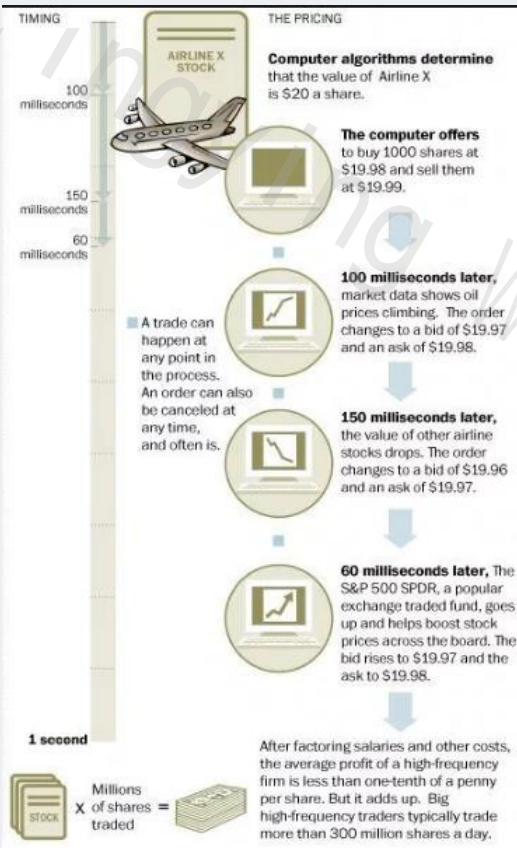
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Low Latency, time-sensitive applications

0.75 $\mu\text{s}/500 \text{ m}$

5G, High frequency trading, supercomputer, data center



Photos from Google

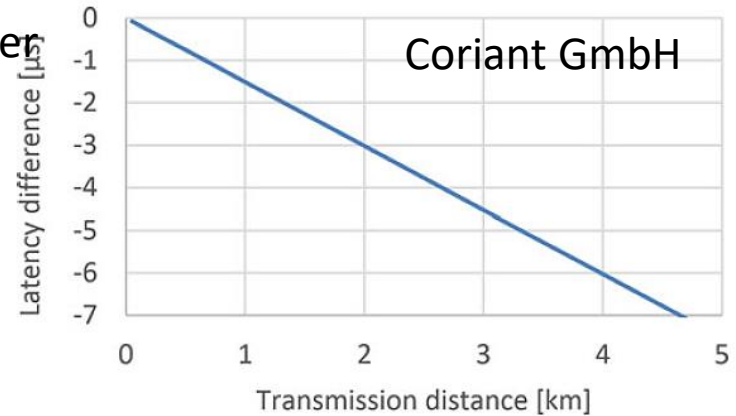
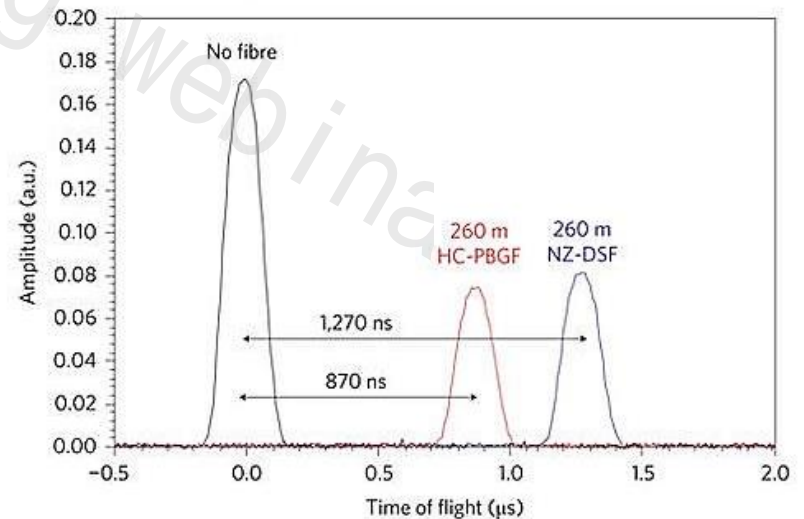


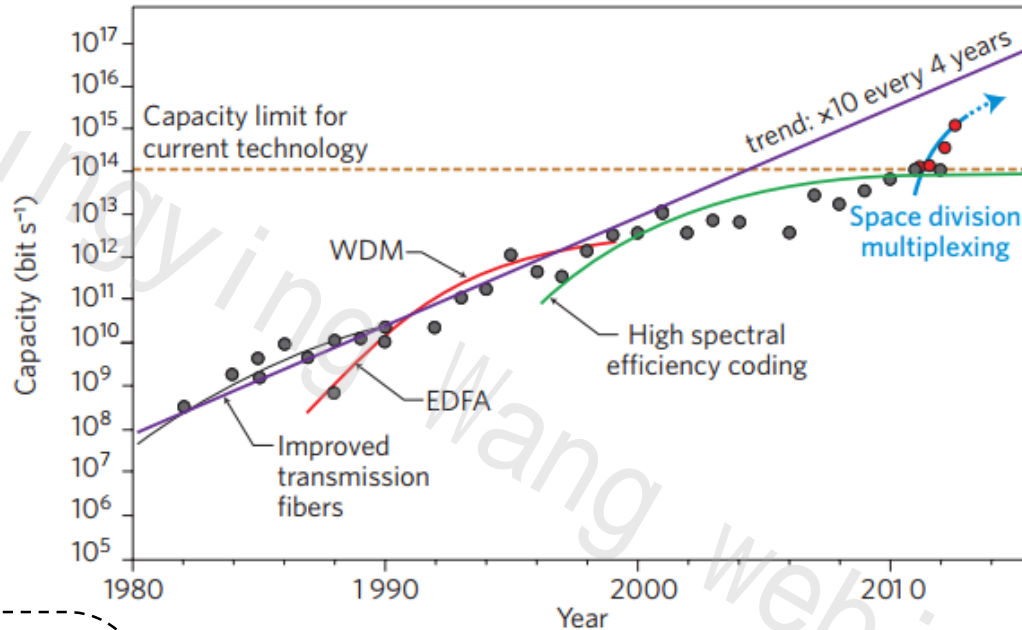
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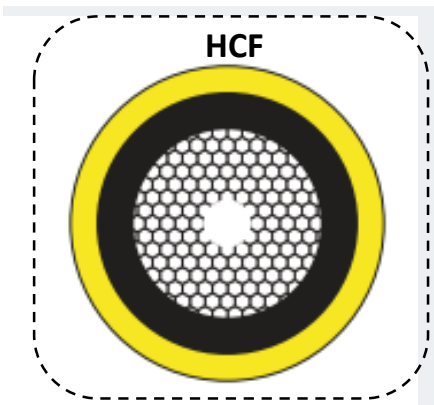
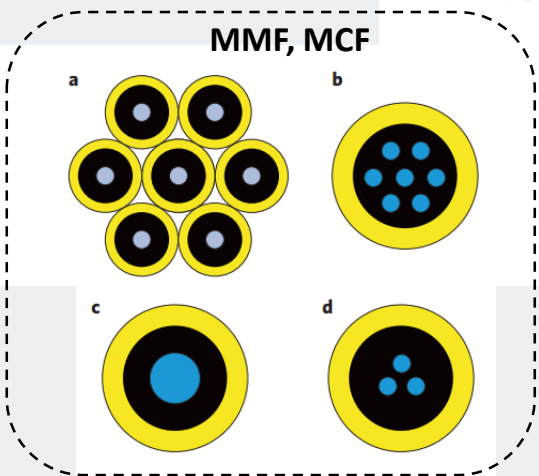
HCF for high capacity

$$C = B \log_2(1 + S/N)$$

'capacity crunch'



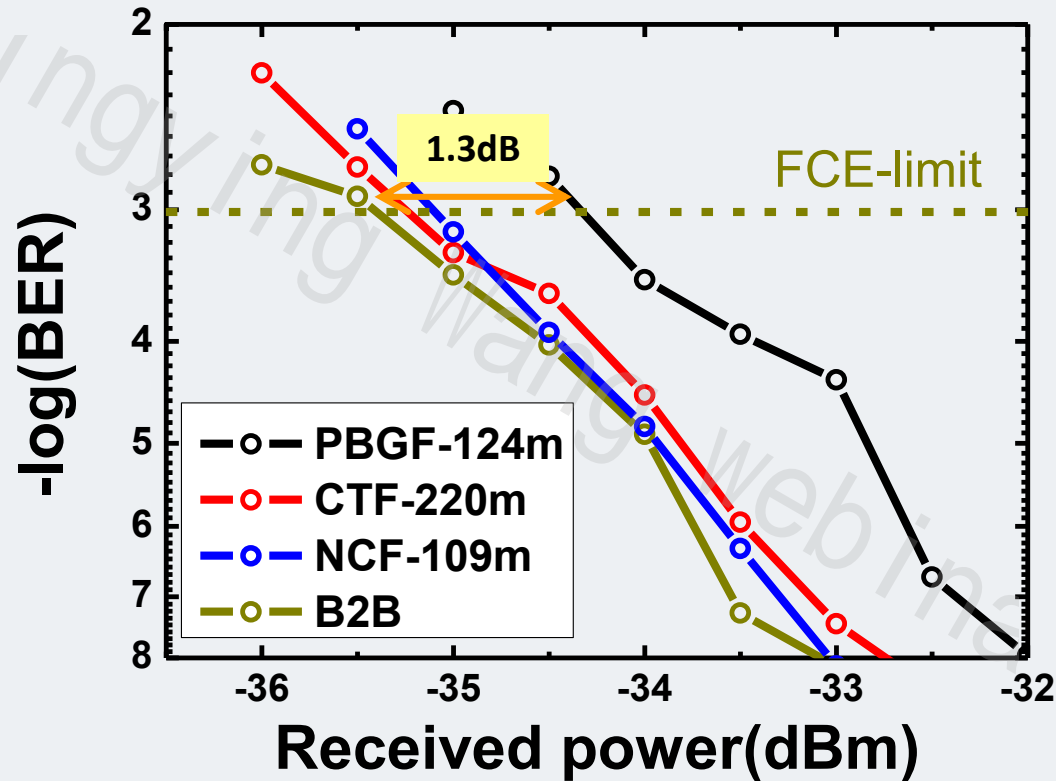
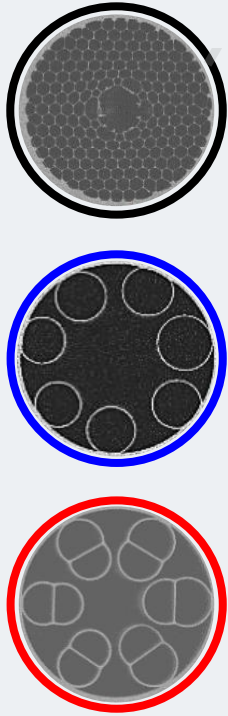
Loss;
Nonlinearity;
Bandwidth;
...



- Ultralow nonlinearities (>10³ reduction over SMF) ✓
- Low latency (99.7% of c) ✓
- High damage threshold ✓
- Potentially ultralow loss ✓
- Broadband width ✓

Comparison between three fibers for communications

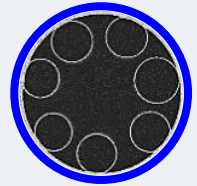
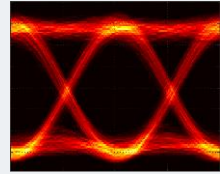
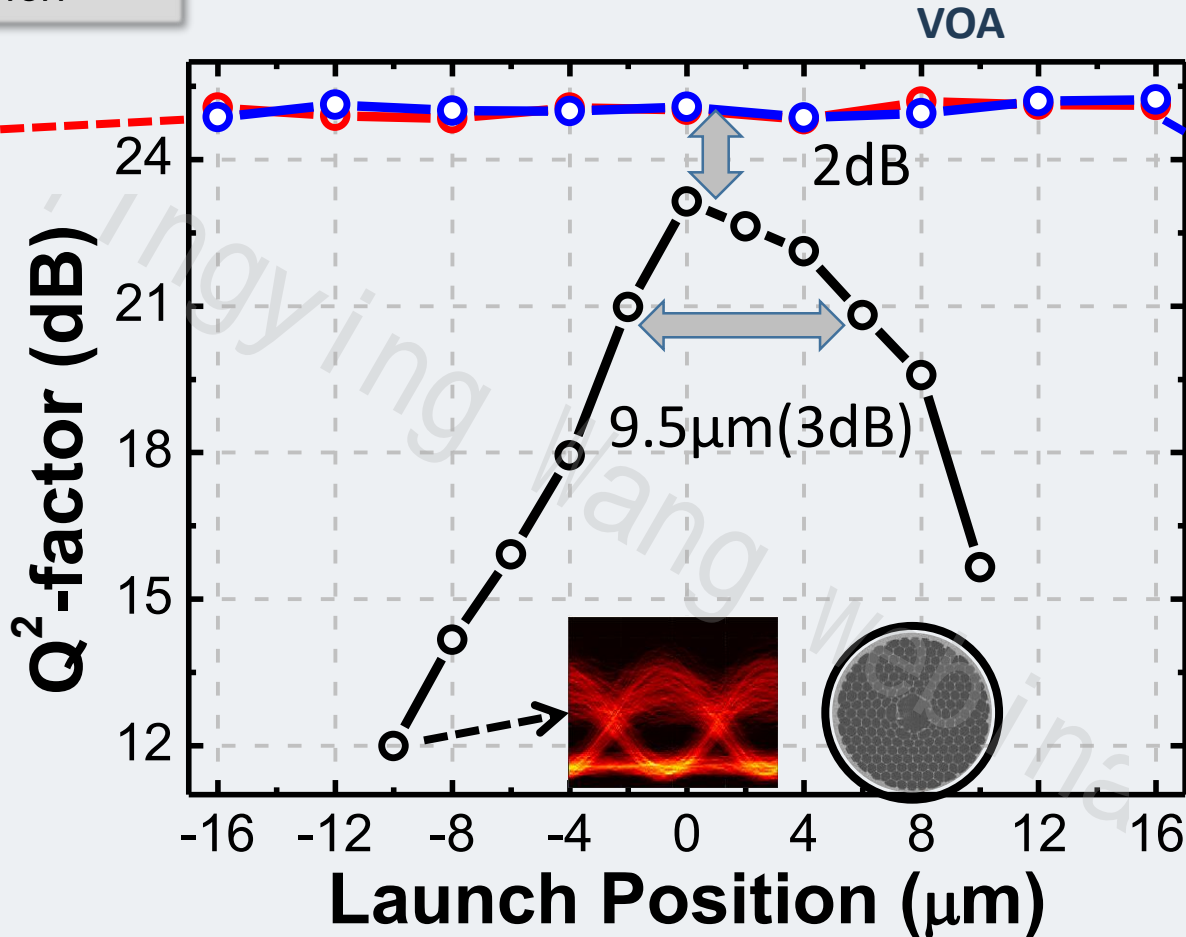
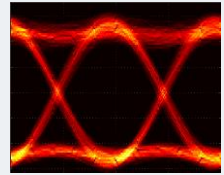
➤ optimized central launch



-25dBm

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➤ offset launch



CTF shows great resilience to bending and offset launch compared to the other two hollow-core fibers, enabling penalty-free data transmission in realistic environments.



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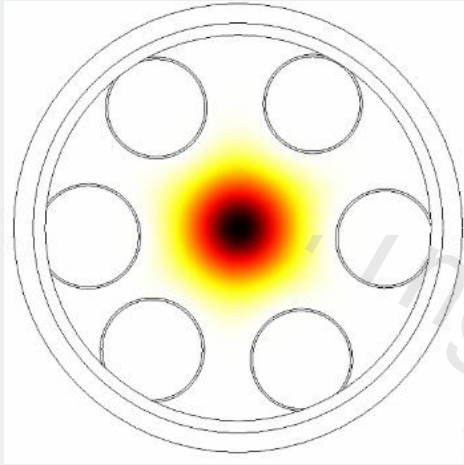
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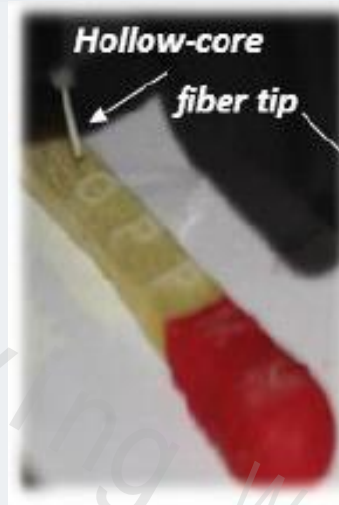
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Flexible delivery of ultrashort pulses



GLO photonics (France)



Photonic Tools (Germany)



Trumpf



Nonlinear optics in gases

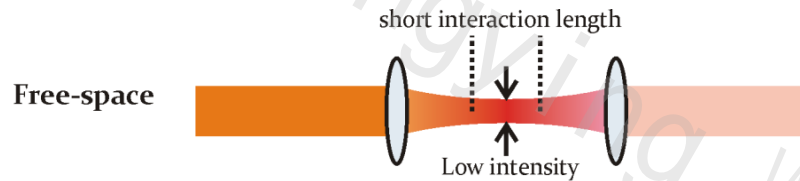
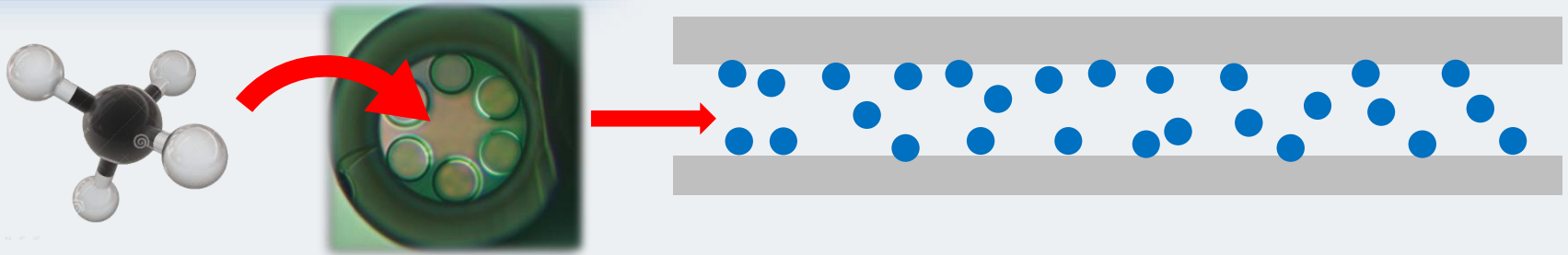


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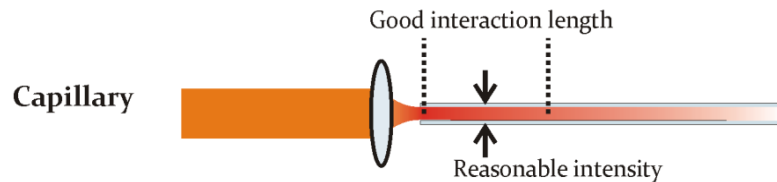


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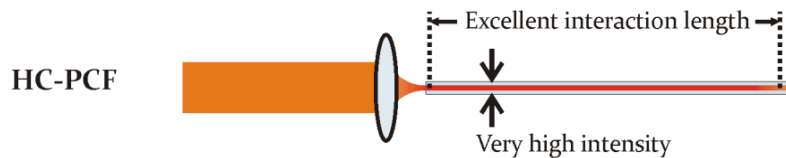
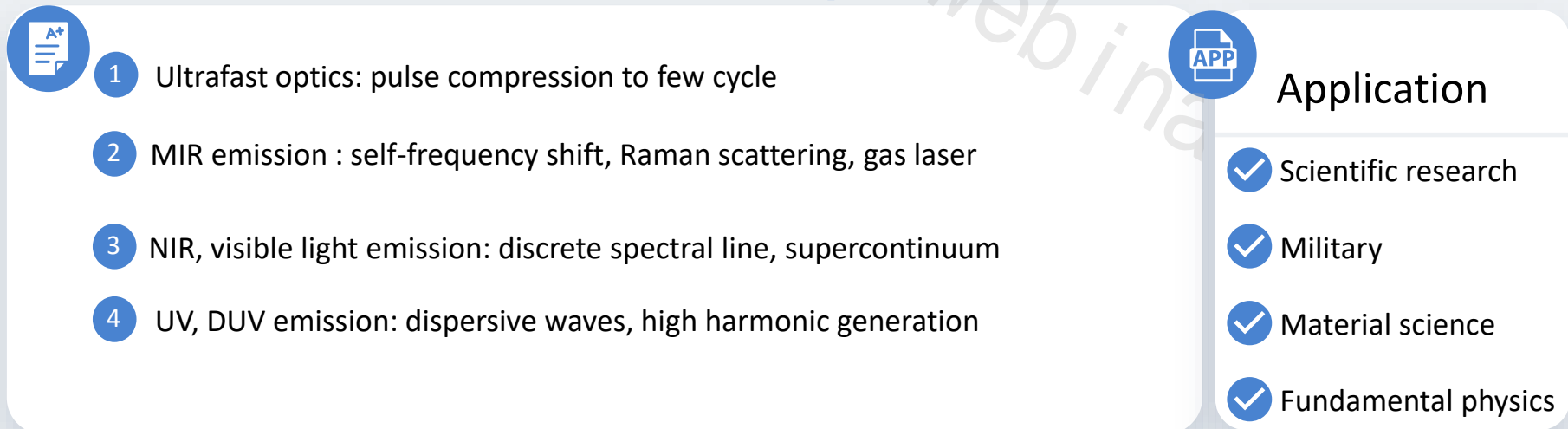
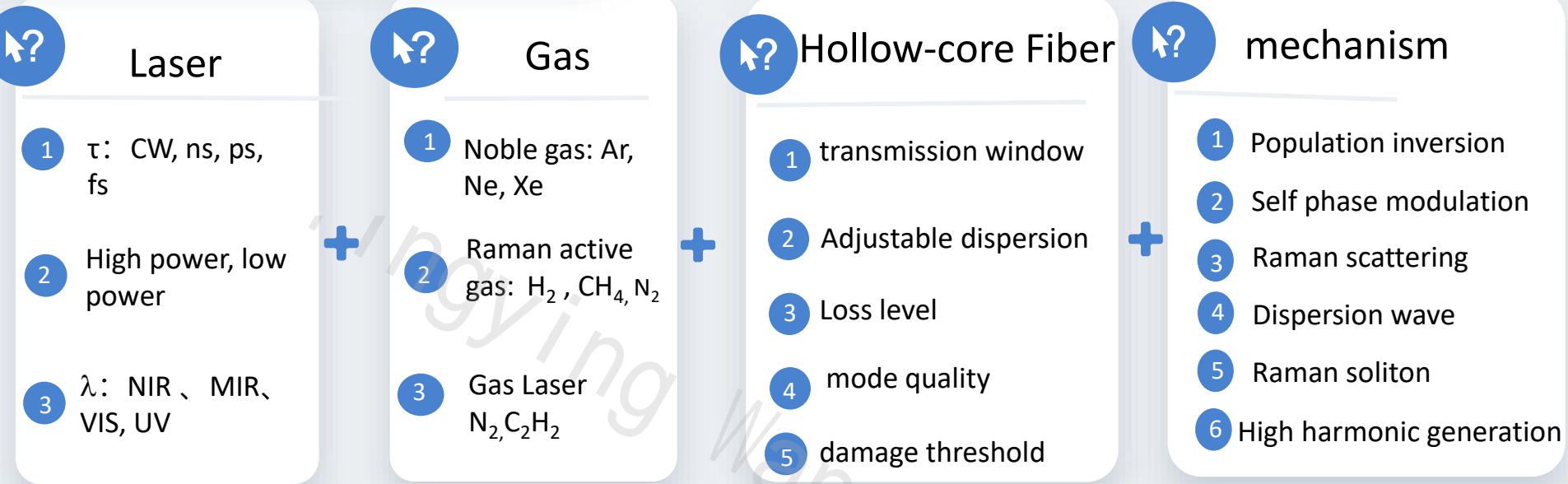


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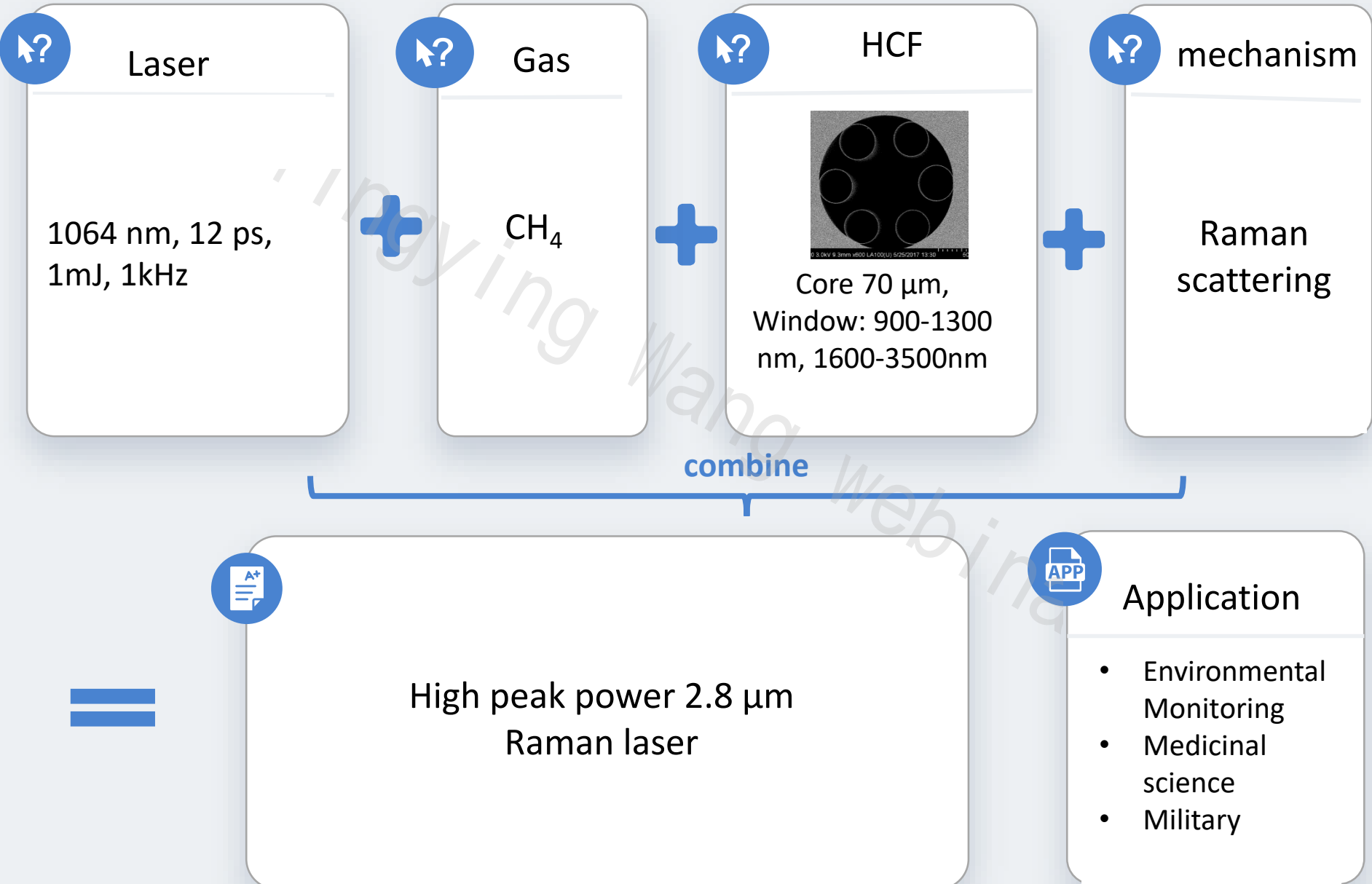
$$FOM = L_{int} \lambda / A_{eff}$$

- ✓ low nonlinear threshold
- ✓ Compact, all fiber structure
- ✓ Wavelength extension
- ✓ high damage threshold

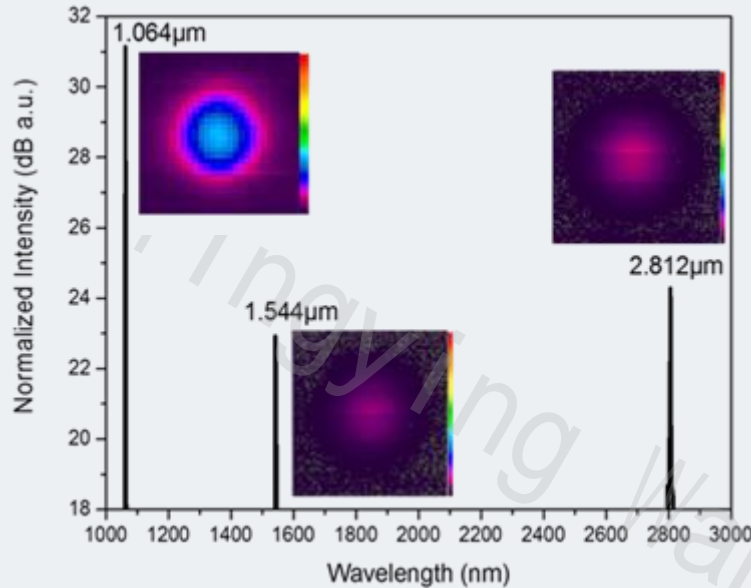
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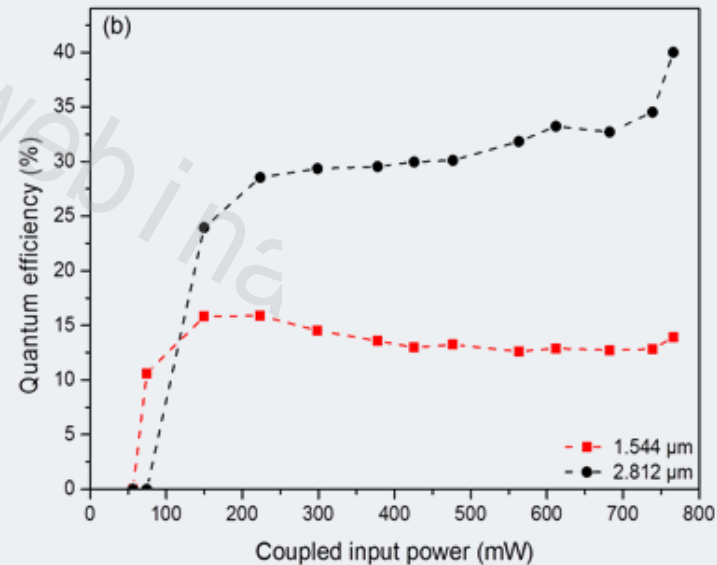
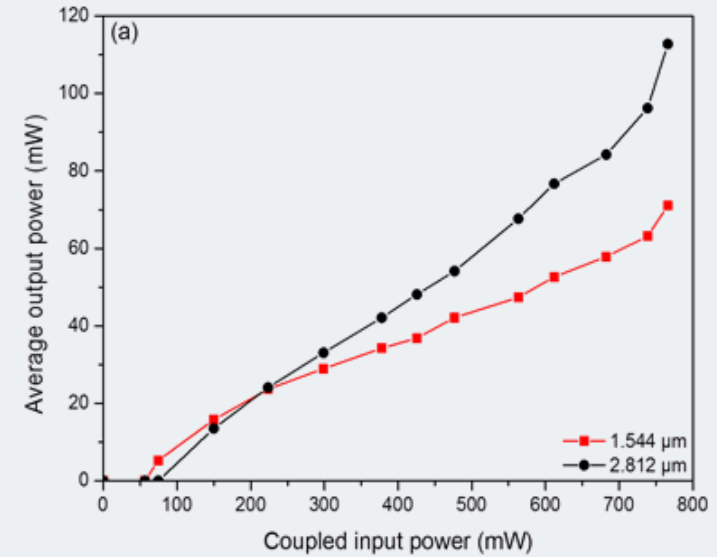
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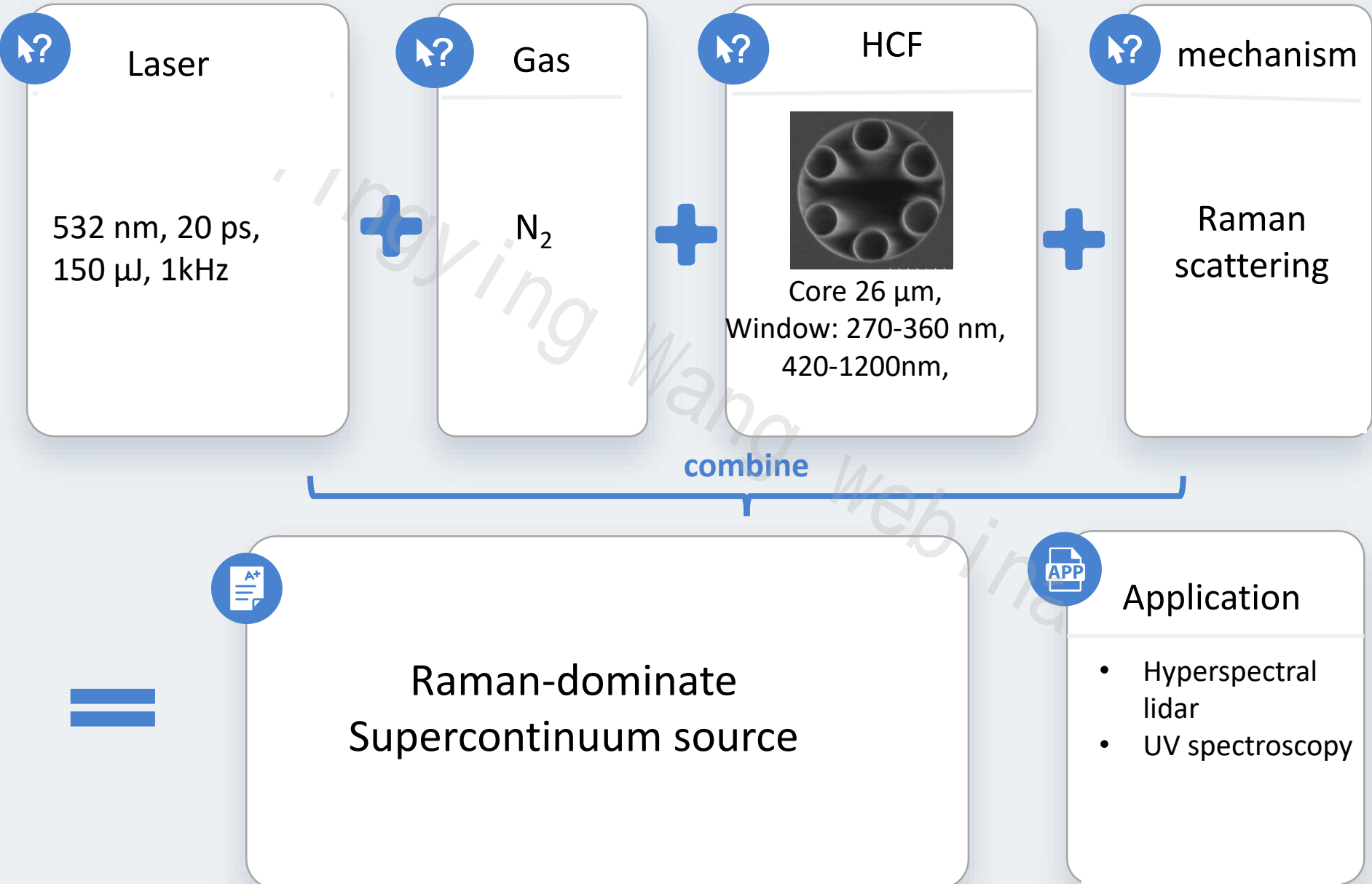


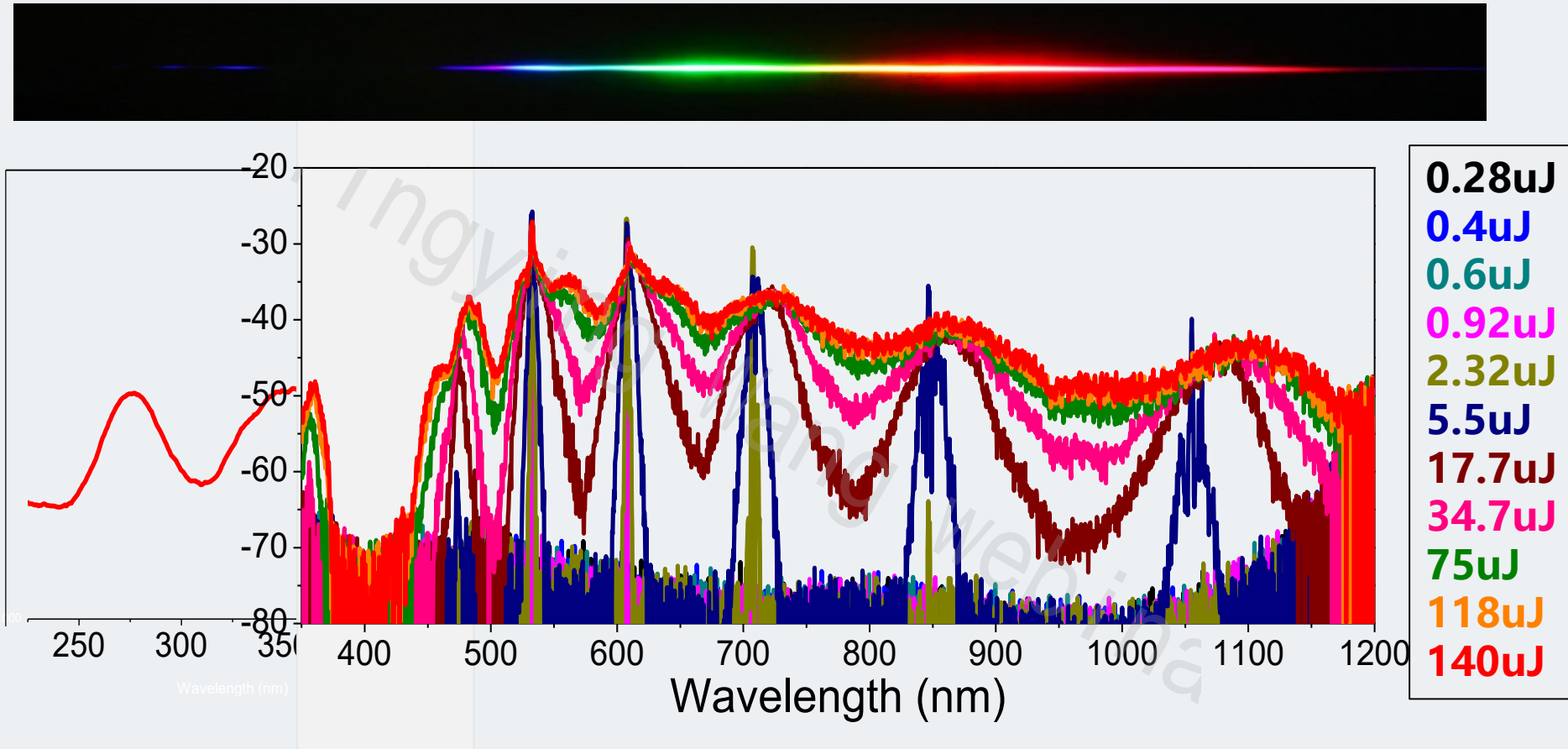
	1.544 μm	2.812 μm
Average power	71 mW	113 mW
Peak power	5.9 MW	9.5 MW
Quantum efficiency	14%	40%



High peak power infrared laser source !

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Dominated by stimulated Raman scattering,, assisted by Kerr effect



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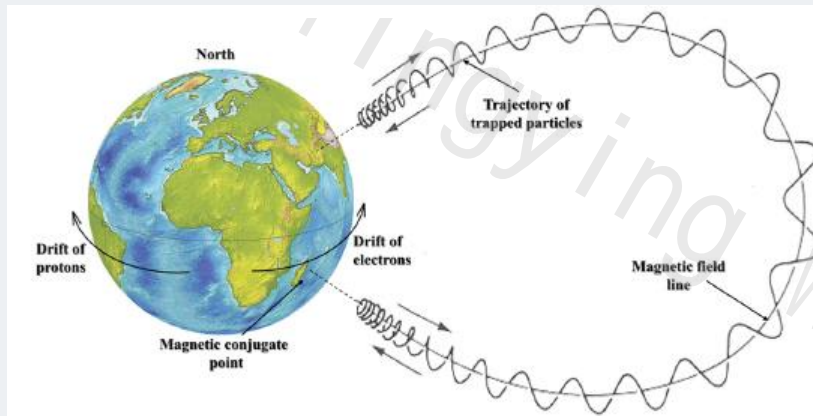
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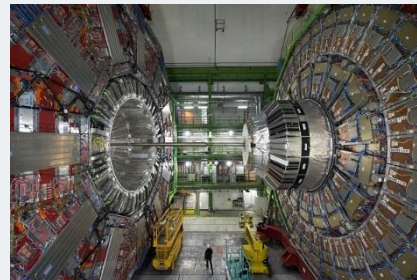
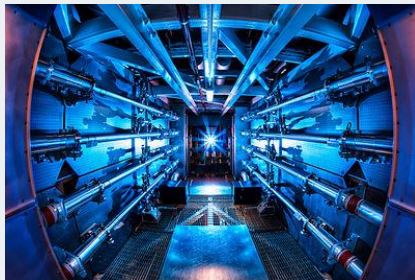
High Radiation Hardness

Space, nuclear power station, nuclear fusion

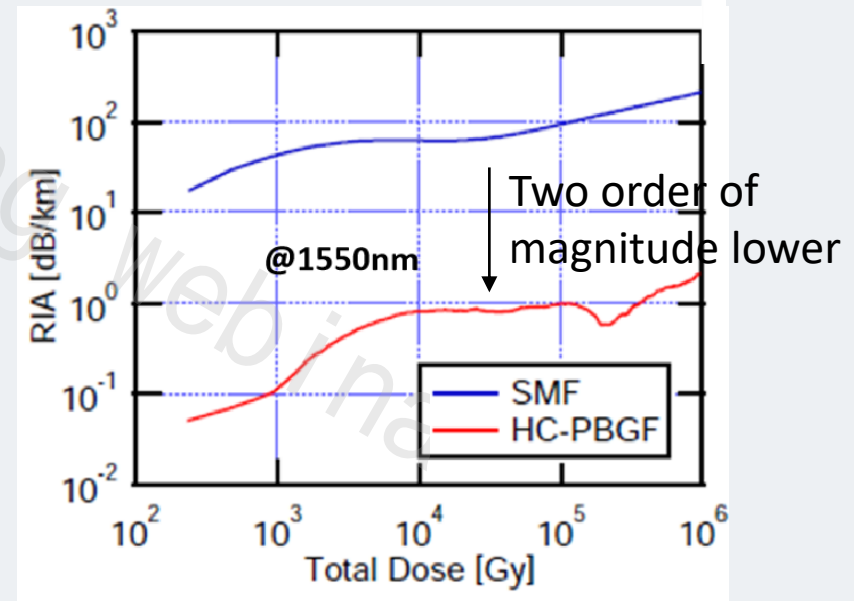
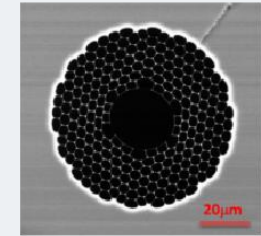


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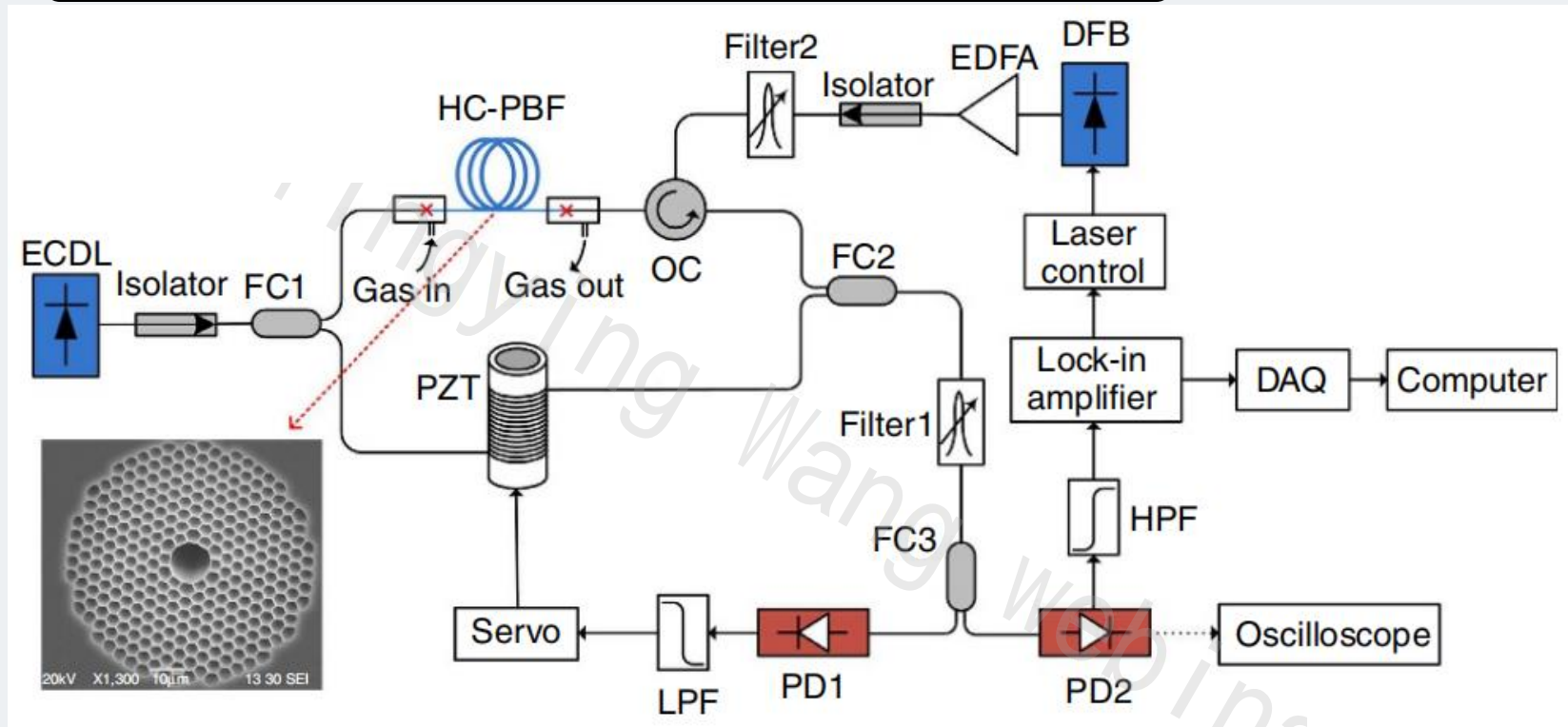


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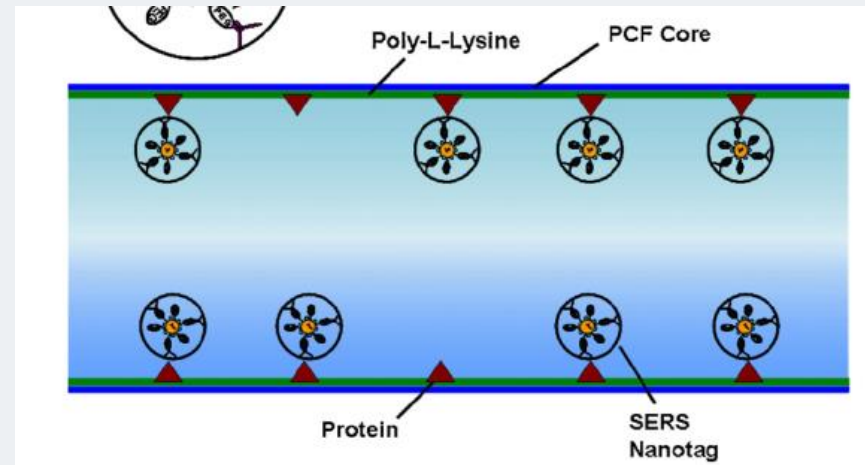
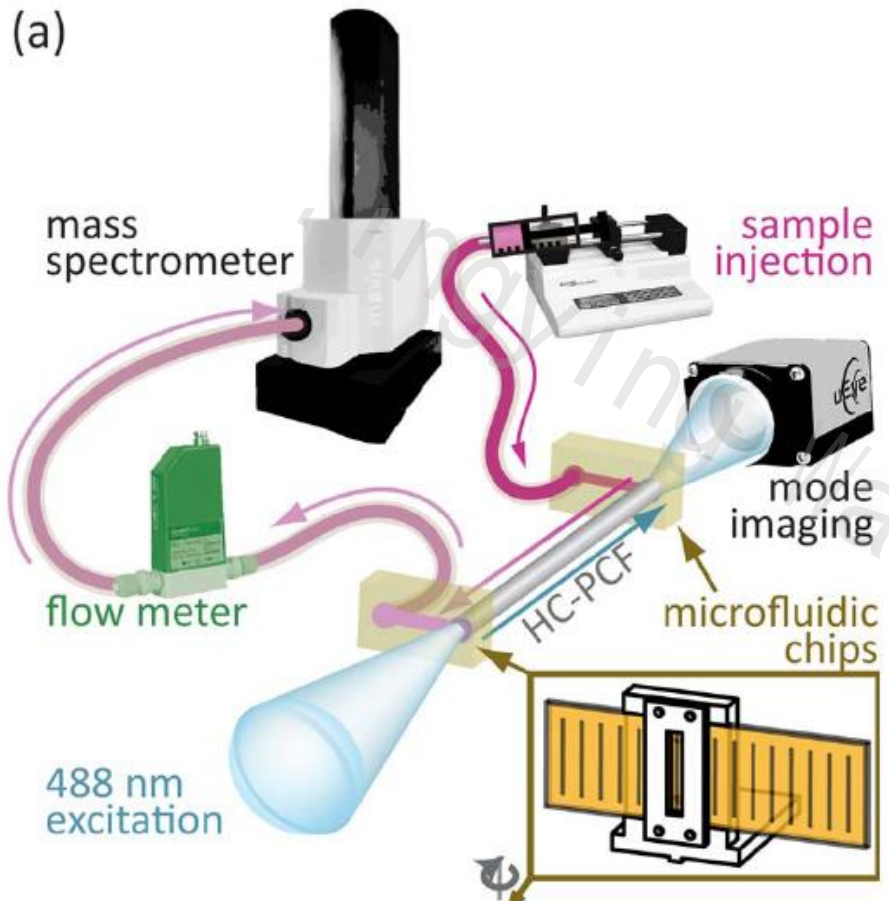
Distributed gas sensing

C_2H_2 、 CH_4 、 NH_3 、 C_2H_4 、 H_2S 、 CO 、 CO_2 、 C_2H_6 、 H_2 、 N_2 ...



photothermal-induced phase change in a CH_4 -filled HCF

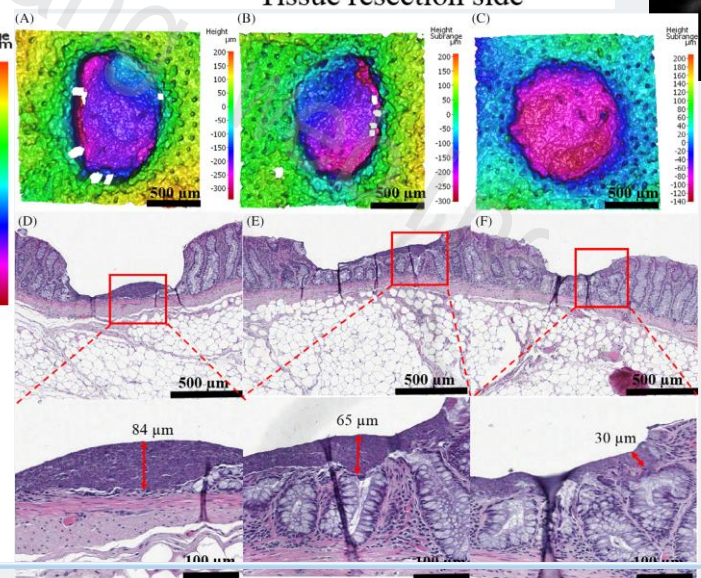
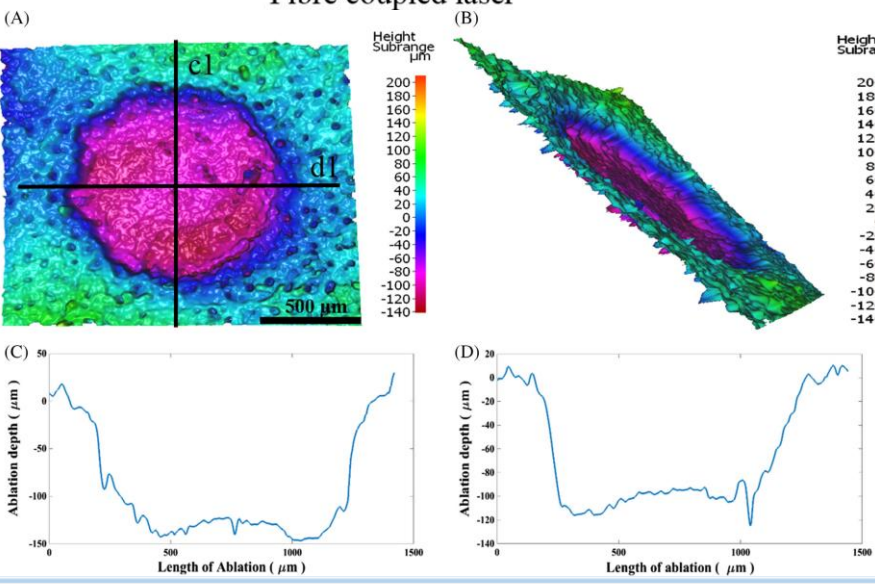
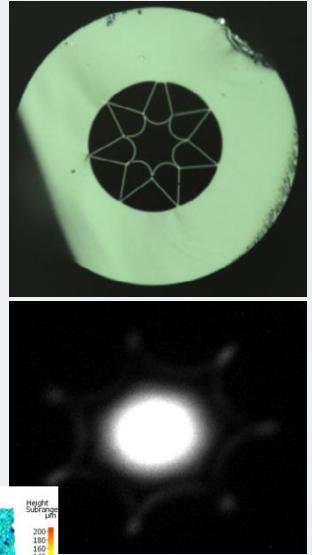
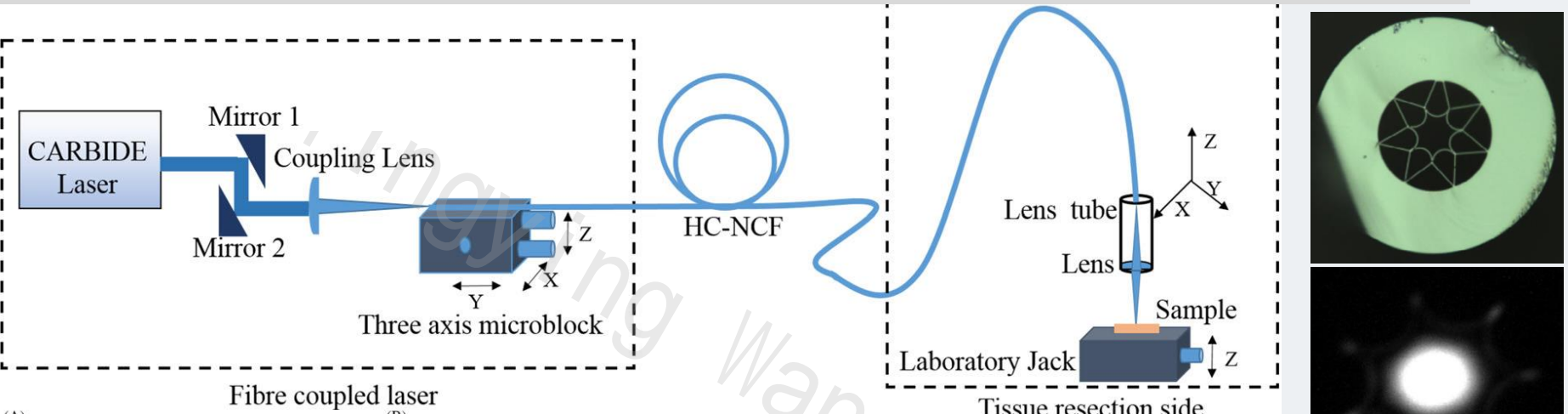
- a noise equivalent concentration of 2 p.p.b. ($2.3 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ in absorption coefficient)
- High dynamic range of nearly six orders of magnitude.



- HCF based surface enhanced Raman scattering (SERS) sensing platform for the ultrasensitive detection of cancer proteins in an extremely low sample volume.
- It has highly sensitive protein sensing for early detection of diseases

Ultrafast laser scalpel

➤ the combination of ultrashort pulses and flexible fibre delivery via HC-NCF present a viable route to new minimally invasive surgical procedures.





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Background

1. *Motivation*
2. *History of HCF development*

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HCF – understanding, design and fabrication

1. *How we understand*
2. *Broadband HCF*
3. *Ultralow loss HCF*

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HCF applications

1. *Optical communications*
2. *Ultrafast optics: delivery and gas nonlinearity*
3. *Sensing and biophotonics*

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Conclusion

Towards a Perfect Hollow-Core Fiber

Optical Fiber Communication

OL. 44, 2145 (2019)

Optical Fiber Sensors

OL 42, 863-866 (2017)

Optical Fiber Lasers

OE, 26, 5609, (2018),
CLEO 2018, STu4F.4

Application

Ultra low loss

Nat. Comm. 9, 2828 (2018)
Laser photonics review, in production

Ultra-broad bandwidth

OL. 42, 61-64 (2017)
OE 27, 11608 (2019)

Fabrication

Loss limit

OE, 24, 14801, (2016)

Wavelength limit

OE, 23, 21165, (2015)
OL, 22, 1347, (2018)

Design

OE, 22, 27242, (2014)

Guidance mechanism

OE, 25, 33122, (2017)
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➤ Postdoc vacancies:

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Joint postdoc from John Travers' groups in Heriot-watt Uni. and Yingying Wang's group in Jinan Uni. on "nonlinear optics in hollow-core fiber".



Postdoc on "hollow core fiber design and fabrication" in Jinan Uni., Guangzhou, China



Postdoc on "hollow core fiber for optical communications" in Jinan Uni., Guangzhou, China



Postdoc on "hollow core fiber for quantum information applications" in Jinan Uni., Guangzhou China

➤ Others:



Technical staff, research staff, master and Ph.D students



Thank you for your attention!



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