

Challenges when designing LED-based illumination systems for medical applications



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Lighting Technologies in the Black Forest





State of the Art – Light Sources



- LEDs are systematically replacing Xenon and Halogen lamps in medical devices
 - produce less heat and their spectral emission in the visible range can be tuned
- LED selected with high Ra, mostly R9 (blood) or R13 (skin)
 - but optical properties of biological tissues vary and may be highly reflective (fat), highly absorptive of blue/green light (blood) or may have fluorescent properties (collagen)
- Very few LED-based tunable illumination units available
 - selection criteria of wavelength filtering are not scientifically based



Quelle: KARL STORZ; Highlights 2016 - Telepräsenz Bildgebende Systeme, Dokumentation, Beleuchtung, Gerätewagen: "Innovative Visualisierungsmodi in 2D und 3D"; 2016

Project Edison





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Aim: enhancing efficiency while reducing the volume of the fiber optics inside the endoscope

Standard illumination optics in rigid endoscopes will be redesigned and optimised taking into account constructive and production related boundary conditions.

Edison: Project development





Prototype measurements

Optical simulations/optimisation

Measurement setup



Equipment:

- Fiberoptic is connected to light source and endoscope
- Endoscope is fixed into auxiliary adapter and mounted on the integrating sphere
- Measurements are performed with an integrating sphere (ø=25 cm) and a spectrometer from GL optics





Rigid endoscope with external light sources

Objectives and measurements





Parameters extracted from the protocol



Measurements: Intensity losses



Measurements: Intensity losses



Analysis of additional endoscopes (state of the art)



→ Overall ca 80 % of the light source intensity is lost before leaving the endoscope ! Measurements: Chromaticity





All endoscopes demonstrate a similar shift changing the brightness levels



Measurements – Fiber bundle

Are intensity losses caused by bending the fiber bundle ?

Analysis of the same fiber bundle used to transport light trough the endoscope

- Measurements of the fiber bundle are performed by holding the fiber straight and wrapped around middle and index finger twice
- 20 measurements are carried out for each brightness level
- → NO perceivable changes in intensity or chromaticity shift



Measurements – Fiber bundle



- Results only show minor (negligible) changes (measurement inaccuracies <4 %)
- 10 measurements per bar are carried out



Measurements – Light Sources







Measurements – Chromaticity light sources



 Stronger x-shift for RGB-light source and high scattering for smaller brightness levels

Measurements – Chromaticity light sources



Bigger scattering for lower brightness levels of RGB-light source

Technic

Optical simulations



Analysis of all critical interfaces for light coupling and transport



Software LightTools (Synopsis©)



Optical simulations – Light coupling





Intensity and uniformity of the light coupling is very much dependent on the light curve distribution (LCD) of the light source

Optical simulations – Light transport



Simulation of fiber bundle : Geometry and optical transmission properties



Reflection properties of human tissues

- HOCHSCHULE FURTWANGEN UNIVERSITY HFUSION Institute of Technical Medicine
- Physical interaction between light and human tissue is complex
- Only reflected light will be captured by a camera system or directly seen by the surgeon
- Reflection properties of the target tissues and their environement must be known
- Color and intensity contrast can be optimised



Quelle: J.Shen, H. Wang, Y. Wu, A. Li, C. Chen, Z. Zheng.: "Surgical lighting with contrast enhancement based on spectral reflectance comparison and entropy analysis" in Journal of biomedical optics 20(10), 105012-2015



Development of a multispectral illumination units which spectral characteristics can be flexibly adapted to the specific diagnostic procedures



Measurements of bidirectional reflection distribution functions (BRDF) of representative biological tissues



Quelle: Huihui Wang, Raymond H. Cuijpers, Ingrid M. L. C. Vogels, Ingrid Heynderickx, Ming Ronnier Luo, Zhenrong Zheng. 17-3: Simultaneous Optimization of Color Contrast and Color Rendering Index for Surgical Lighting. In: Journal of Biomedical Optics 20(1), 015005 (January 2015)

- EX-vivo? IN-vivo?
- How to categorize human tissues? (liver, lung, nerves, fat)



Prototype of an automated photobiomodulation treatment device for in vitro wound healing studies

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Chronic wounds are a healing process dysfunction



<u>3+ months</u> Pressure ulcer Venous leg ulcer Diabetic foot ulcer

In Germany (2014) 800K diagnosis 200K new diagnosis 500K treated



Inflammation



Blood vessels



Growth



Remodeling

Heyer, K., Herberger, K., Protz, K., Glaeske, G., & Augustin, M. (2016). Epidemiology of chronic wounds in Germany: Analysis of statutory health insurance data. *Wound Repair and Regeneration*, 24(2), 434-442.

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FOCUS: Light therapy re-activates healing processes

Light (LED or LASER)



Photobiomodulation



Wavelength-dependent absorption at mitochondria.



Treatment parameter reporting is unverified

Literature reporting (2015)

1) Wavelength

3% no ,medicine'

- 2) Irradiance [mW/m^2] 43% no ,dose'
- Exposure Time
 16% no ,protocol'

Advanced wound care

- Optimal treatment parameters: unknown
- Standard protocols: none

 Combinations (light + mechanical + electrical):
 none

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APPROACH: Modeling + control of the wound



Parente, J. D., & Möller, K. (2017). A Control System Design to Establish Dose-Response Relationships in Wound Healing Therapy. *Journal of Biomedical Science and Engineering*, *10*(05), 76.

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Prototype device: adjustable treatment parameters for automated and repeatable in vitro experiments.





- Prescribed parameters: Wavelength, Irradiance, Time
- Performance: Uniform treatment delivery to target surface
- Prototype: 2x2 RGB LED array (Results presented)

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Prototype: Updated LED board and Arduino controller





- RGB LED wavelengths
- Uniform irradiance
- Programmable schedules
- Functional in incubator !!!

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Irradiance measures [mW/m^2] at intensity settings.



but not tissue <u>absorption</u>....

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Ongoing studies to establish dose-response relationships to guide wound healing therapy



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