

# LEDs

(Light Emitting Diodes)

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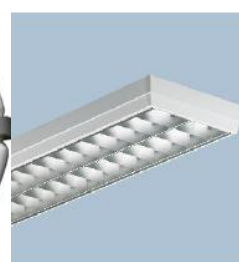


# What do we want from lighting?

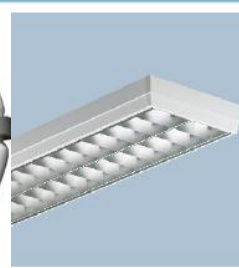
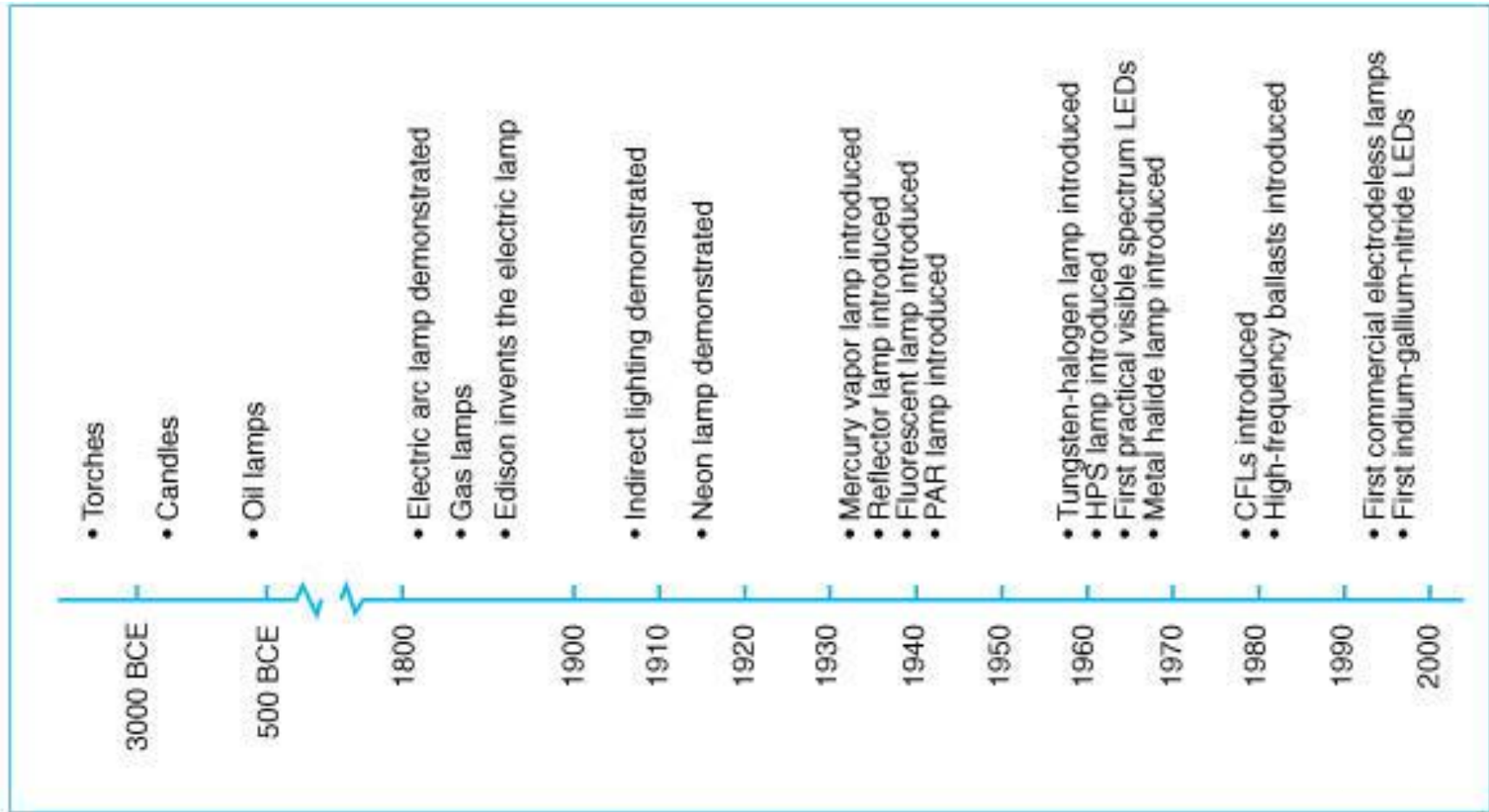
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## Meet our lighting needs

- Easy on the eye (no eye strain)
- Right level of illumination (not too little, not too much)
- Right colour (objects appear in natural colours)
- Easy to install and operate (can I change the bulb?)
- Tried and tested products (high reliability)
- Energy efficient (low energy consumption)
- Reasonable cost (low capital cost)



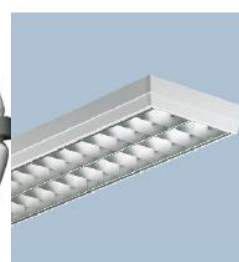
# History of Light Sources



# LED is the Newest Technology

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- For over a century, the incandescent lamp and the gas discharge lamp have ruled the world of artificial lighting.
- Solid state light sources has now become powerful enough to replace these traditional light sources.
- However they are still not competitive in price.



- Potential for Energy savings.
- Potential for lower lifetime cost.
- Rugged and durable.
- Unique lighting solutions (highly adaptable in form, intensity and colour).
- Low ultraviolet and infrared radiation.
- No mercury (environmentally friendly).



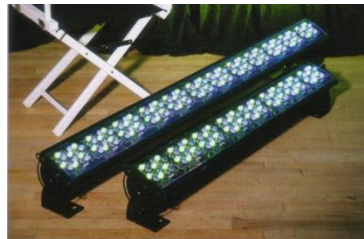


From 1990 to about 2000



From 2000 to about 2005

About 2005





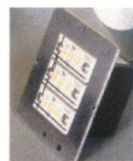
Courtesy of ELS

Decorative Lighting with LED Colour Changing Technology



Customised lighting solution for a hotel lobby. The colour of the tiles changes with Time.

## Replacement Light Engines



Figures from: Progress Lighting



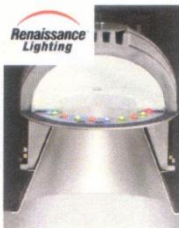
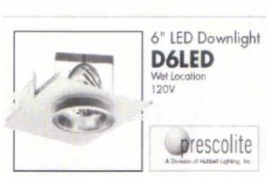
Figures from Prescolite

## Down Lighting

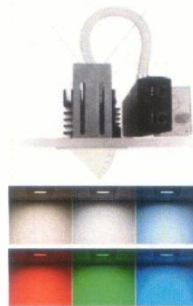


**Cree and Zumtobel Announce Strategic Agreement for LED Downlights in Europe**  
Global Adoption of Solid-State Lighting Accelerating At a Rapid Pace

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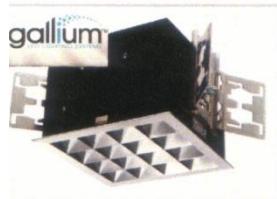


### Lightolier's ColorWash



Sharp Corporation will introduce into the Japanese market six new LED Downlight Lightings, including three that deliver a light intensity equivalent to a 150-watt incandescent lamp, an industry first for downlight models.

Global trend.....



# Interior Lighting with LED

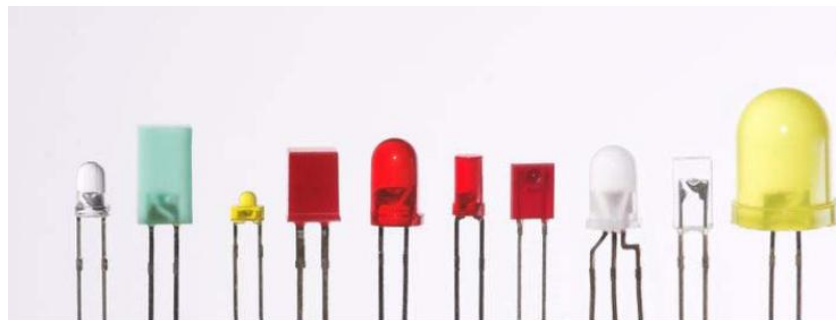
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Interior Lighting with white LEDs

- White light applications are now well advanced.
- Prices are coming down.
- Office and household LED lighting applications are beginning to be cost effective.
- However, there still are some issues,
  - Only some products can meet the lighting requirements of a modern office environment and be cost effective.
  - Reliability is unknown.

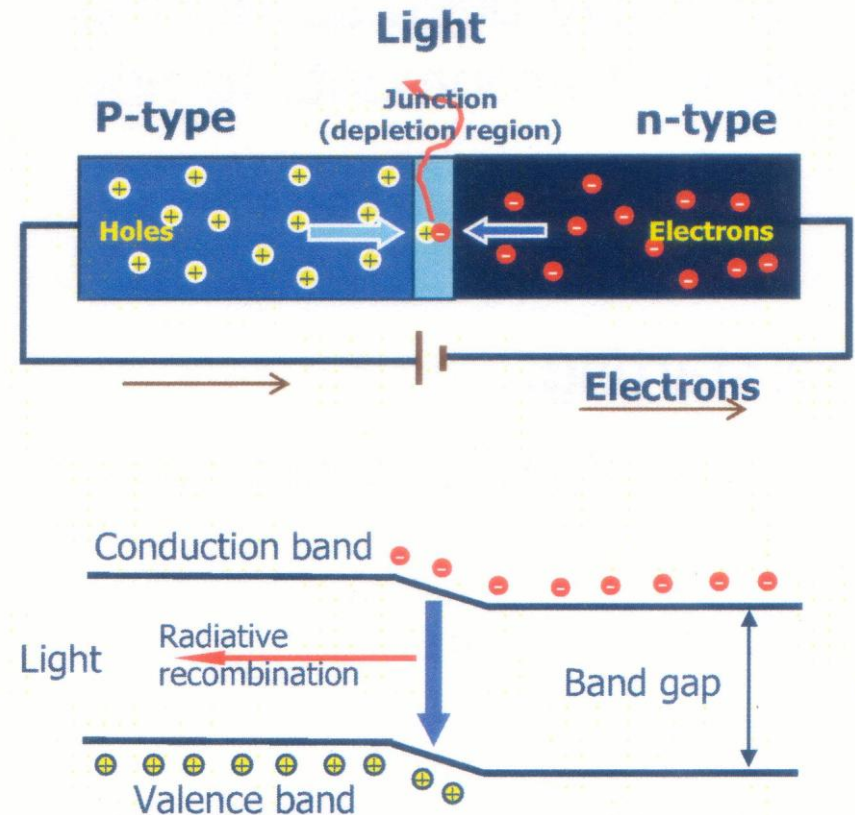
- Light Emitting Diodes (LED) were first developed around 1960's.
  - The principles were known much earlier for infrared LEDs.
  - First practical visible spectrum LED (red) was developed in 1962 by Nick Holonyak Jr.
  - M. George Craford, invented in 1972 the first yellow LED and 10 times brighter red and red-orange LEDs.
  - Practical blue LED lamps were developed recently (late 1990s), leading the way to white LEDs.



## The p-n Junction

- The wavelength of the light emitted, and therefore its color, depends on the energy gap of the materials forming the p-n junction.
  - energy band theory of semiconductors.
- The semiconductor materials used for an LED creates a band gap with energies corresponding to near-infrared, visible or near-ultraviolet light.

- Not all electron-hole recombination results in light.
- Charges trapped in defects results in heat.
- Colour of the output light depends on the bandgap energy.



- Aluminium gallium arsenide (AlGaAs)
  - red and infrared
- Aluminium gallium phosphide (AlGaP)
  - green
- Aluminium gallium indium phosphide (AlGaInP)
  - high-brightness orange-red, orange, yellow, and green
- Gallium arsenide phosphide (GaAsP)
  - red, orange-red, orange, and yellow
- Gallium phosphide (GaP)
  - red, yellow and green

- Blue LEDs are based on the semiconductors GaN (gallium nitride) and InGaN (indium gallium nitride).
  - These materials produce a wider energy gap.
- With AlGaIn and AlGaInN, even shorter wavelengths are achievable.
- Ultraviolet and Near-UV LEDs are already available on the market.
  - e.g., as black light lamp replacements for inspection of anti-counterfeiting UV watermarks in documents and currency notes.



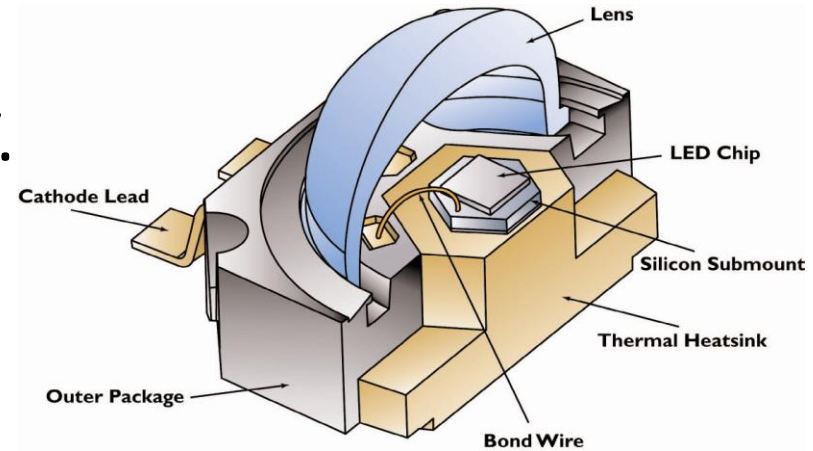
- A combination of red, green and blue LEDs can produce white light. However due to low efficacy, white LEDs today rarely use this principle.
- Most white LEDs in production are modified blue LEDs:
  - Blue LED is covered with a yellowish phosphor coating. Part of blue emission is efficiently converted to a broad spectrum centered at about 580 nm (yellow) by the coating.
  - The resulting mix of blue and yellow gives the appearance of white.
  - By varying thicknesses of the phosphor, light with different color temperatures, from warm yellowish to cold bluish, can be made.

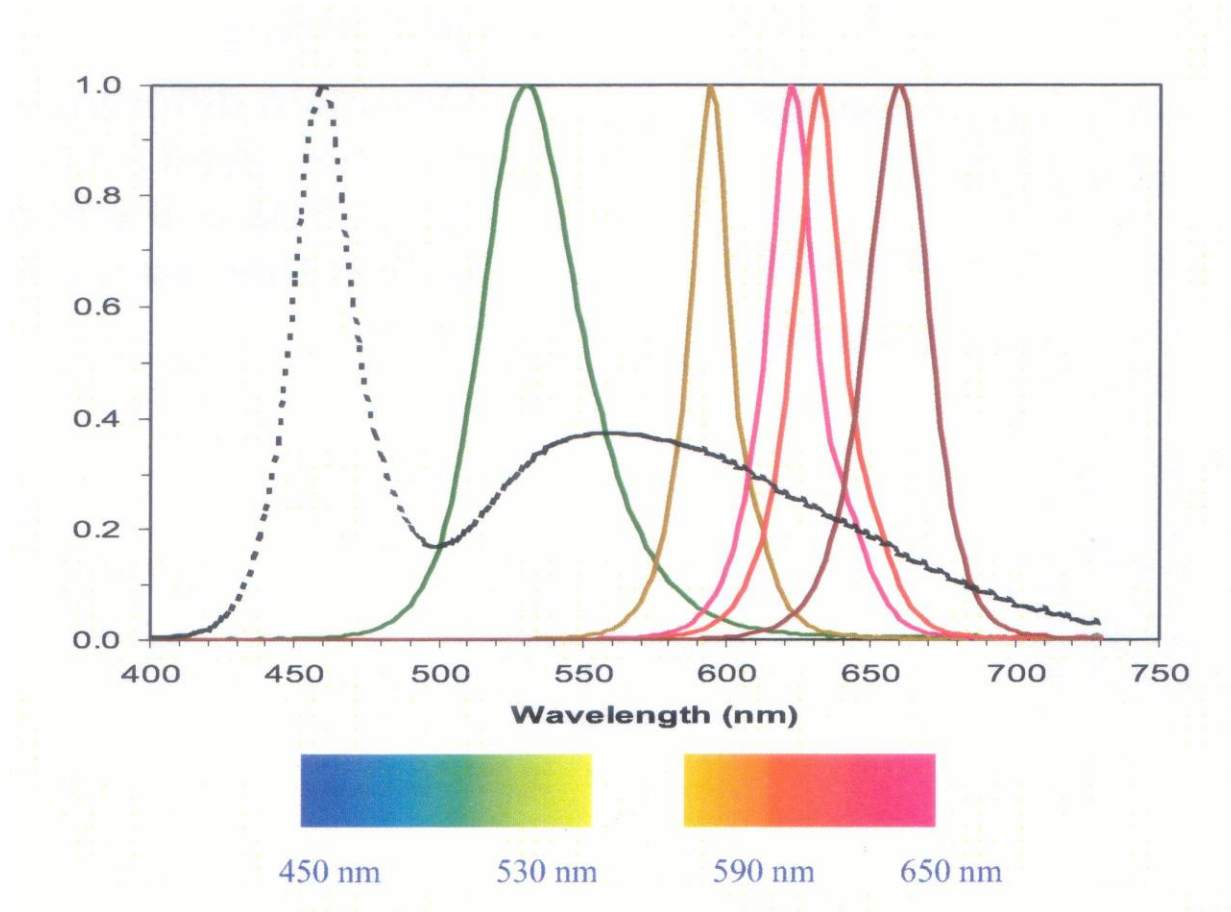




## High power illuminator type

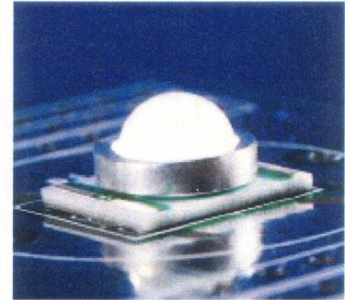
- Die size is 1.0mm square.
- Power levels are 1W to 3W.
- Colour consistency and thermal effects are extremely important.
- Proper thermal management needed.
- Light is emitted through all six sides of the LED chip.





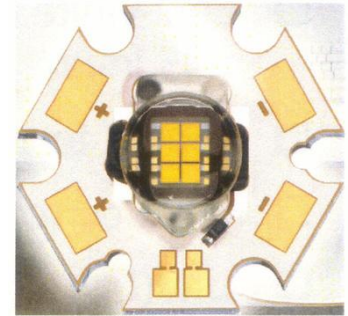
- High lumen output per lamp (above 100 lm).
- Better colour properties of white LEDs.
  - Good colour rendering.
  - Smaller colour variation between lamps.
  - Stable colour over time.
- Longer life.
- e.g. Cree – XRE
  - 350mA, 95 lm/W, 107 lm
  - Colour temp. of 2600K to 10,000K
  - Drive current up to 1000mA
  - Life at 700mA is 50,000h

Cree – XRE



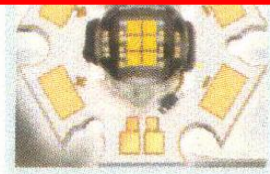
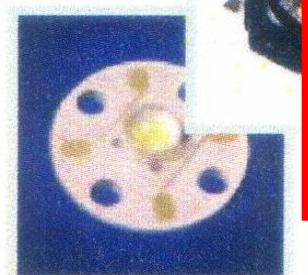
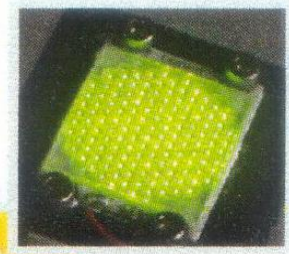
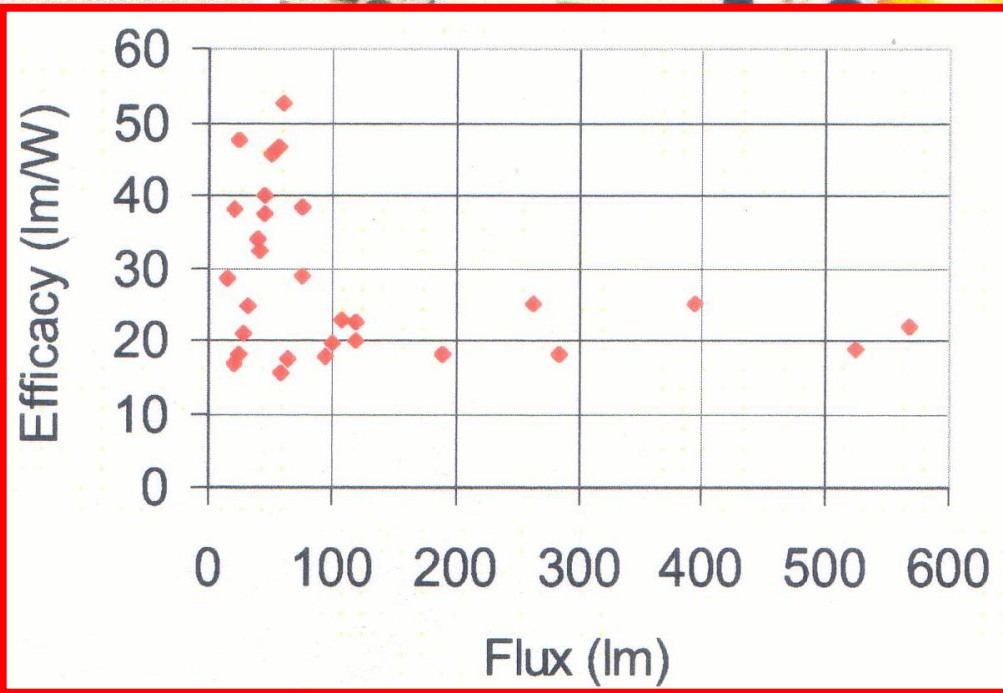
Osram's high-power Ostar

420 lm  
700mA  
15W  
28 lm/W

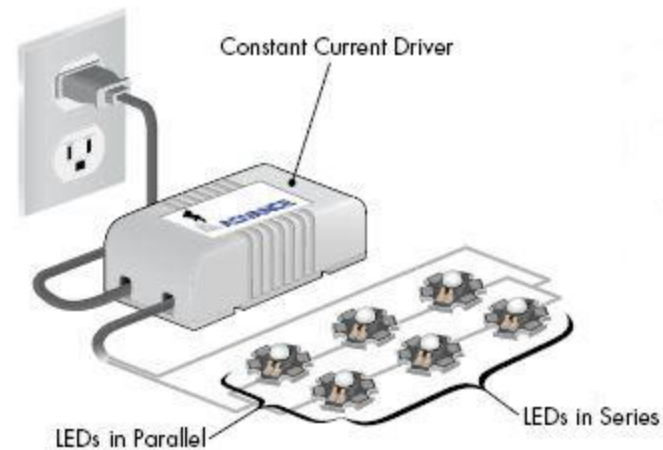


# Not All LEDs are Created Equal

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- An LED system consists of
  - LED package, with its own optics and thermal management.
  - Secondary optics to re-shape the beam.
  - Heat sink for thermal management.
  - Mechanical housing.
  - Electrical connection grid.
  - Power supply.
  - Controls.



- For the end user, the most important consideration is the system efficacy.
- Typically about 55% of LED efficacy.
- Commercial white LED systems in 2008 are about 15 to 60 lm/W.
- Heat affects light output, colour and life.
- LED products for replacement of traditional PAR/MR16 incandescent/halogen systems are frequently appearing on the market.
- Marketed as one-to-one equivalents.



**The End.**