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***Next Generation PPE for Real-time Inactivation of Airborne Biological Threats,  
Part III: UV-C Powered Symmetrical Flow Disinfection (SFD) Device***

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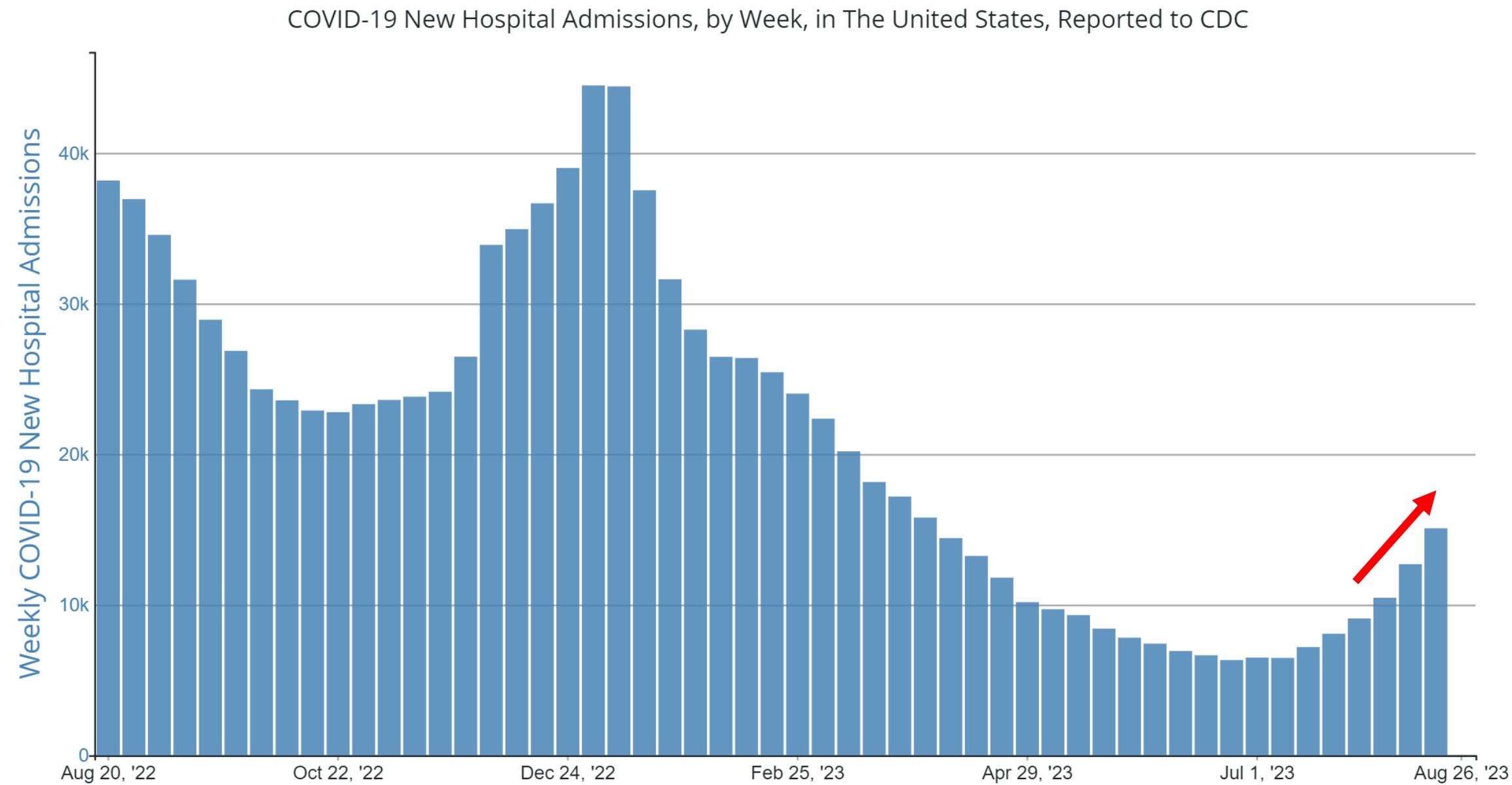
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# The Problem | Airborne Biothreats



- Lessons of the pandemic
  - Airborne biothreats are a global perennial challenge
  - PPE is critical, but outdated.
  - Challenge/opportunity for new innovative solutions.



“It may be time to break out the masks against Covid, some experts say”

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“Not Over Yet: Late-Summer Covid Wave Brings Warning of More to Come”

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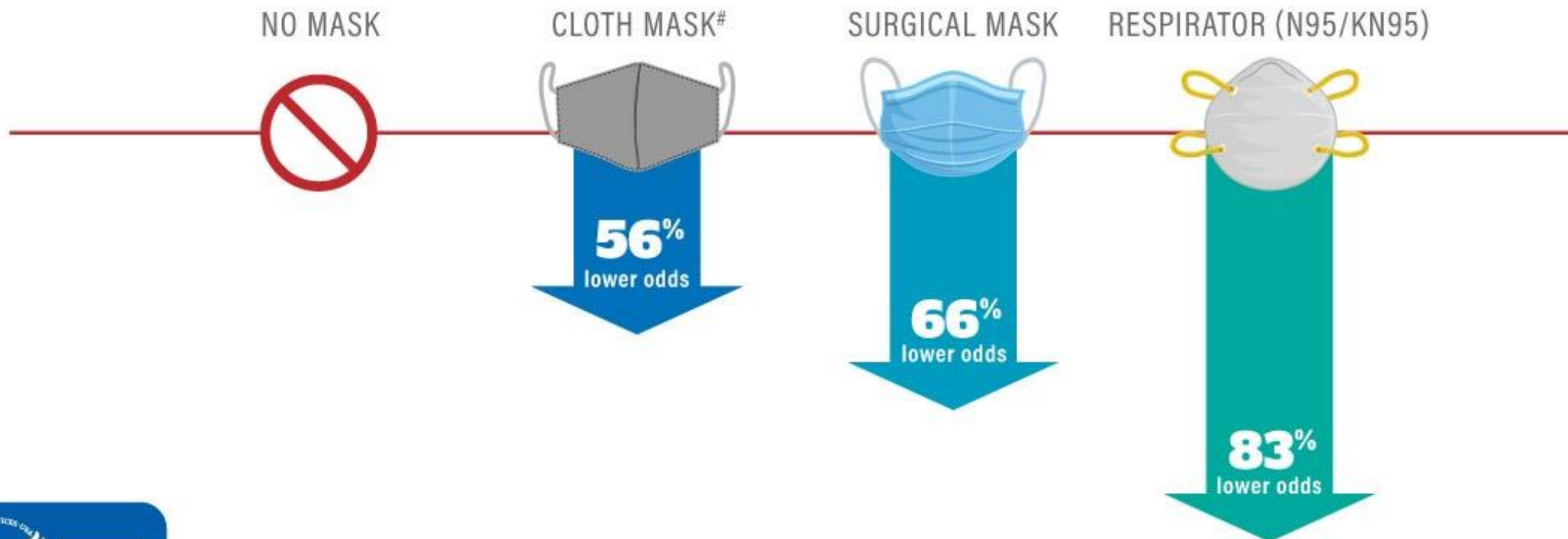
# Comparing Respiratory PPE

People who reported always wearing a mask in indoor public settings were less likely to test positive for COVID-19 than people who didn't\*

02/04/2022

## WEARING A MASK LOWERED THE ODDS OF TESTING POSITIVE

Among 534 participants reporting mask type<sup>†</sup>



[bit.ly/MMWR7106](https://bit.ly/MMWR7106)

\* Matched case-control study, 1,828 people, Feb 10–Dec 1, 2021

<sup>†</sup> Compared people with similar characteristics (e.g., vaccination)

<sup>#</sup> Not statistically significant

MMWR





XCMR's mission is to transform and modernize biodefense efforts, specifically against airborne biothreats. Leading with multidisciplinary science and business team focusing in advanced photochemistry reactor theory, ultraviolet (UV) radiation and disinfection processes, fluence rate fields and CFD modeling.

## *ADVANCED NEXT GENERATION PPE*

Respiratory protection from infectious diseases and infection control for viruses

# Symmetrical Flow Concept

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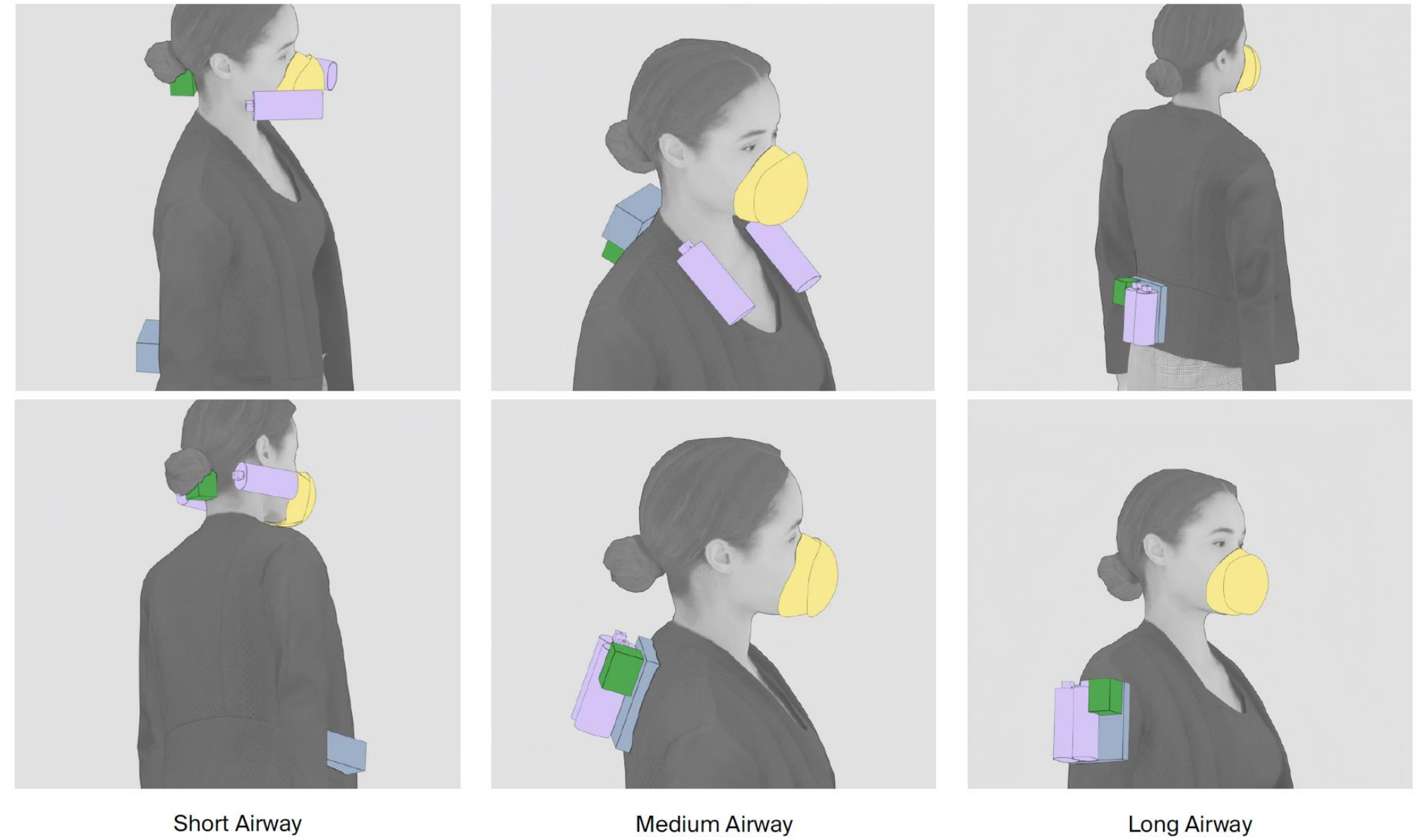




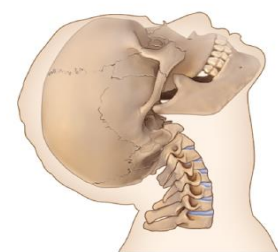
# Biomechanics and Ergonomics



- Core components
  - Mask, Reactors, Battery, Electronics
- Body placement on Airway Length
  - 3 Airway lengths
- Anthropometric Measurements
  - Tube Length/RoM



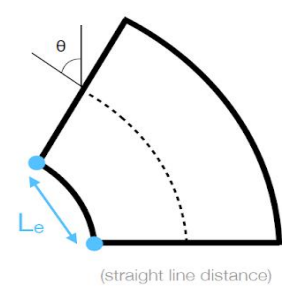
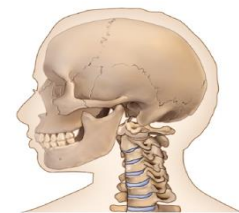
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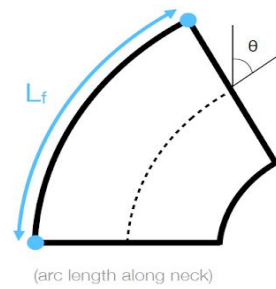
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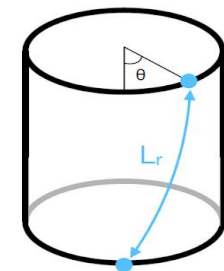
Rotation



$$L_e = 2(L_n/\theta - R_n)\sin(\theta/2)$$

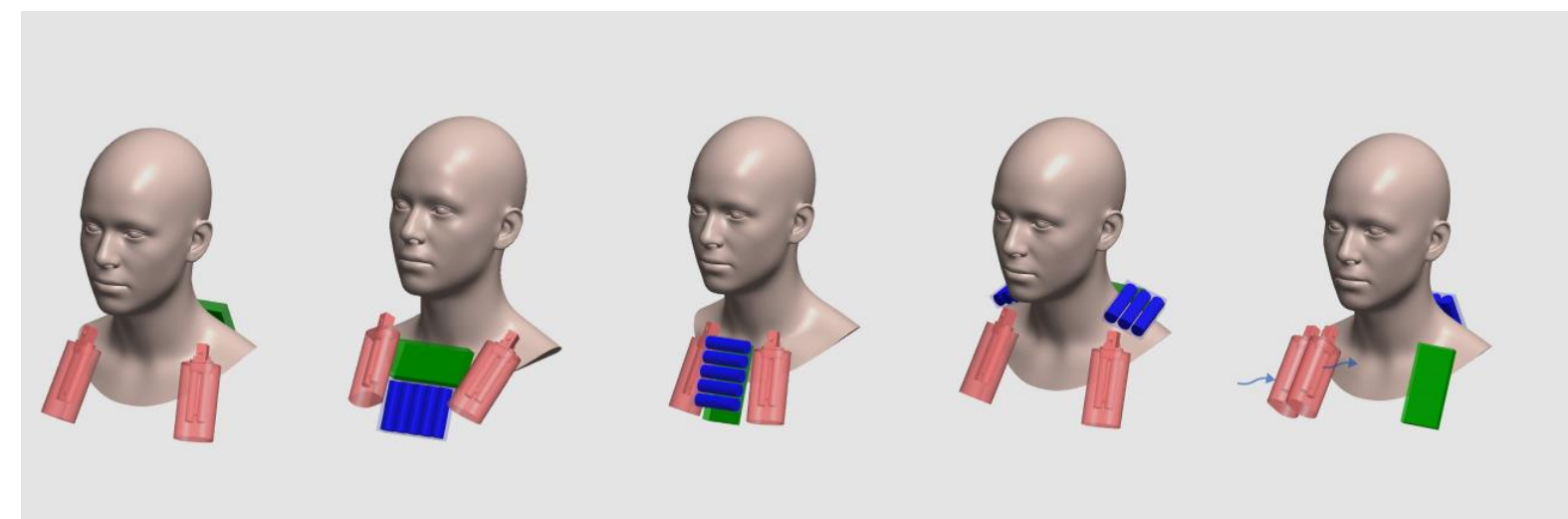


$$L_f = L_n + \theta R_n$$



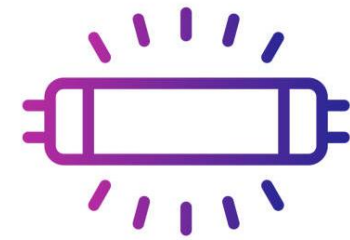
$$L_r = \sqrt{L_n^2 + (R_n\theta)^2}$$

$L_n$  = neck length  
 $R_n$  = neck radius  
 $\theta$  = angle of articulation (in radians)

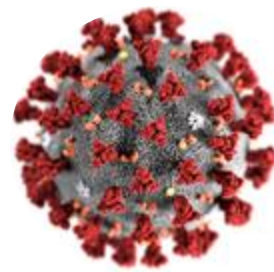


# COMPONENT SELECTION | UVC EMITTER

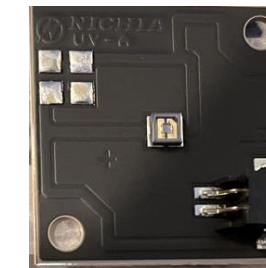
- Input Parameters
  - Targets = SARS-CoV-2
  - LRV  $\geq$  1.5 N95 (95 % filtration)
  - Volume = 100 mL
  - Peak Flow Rate = 90 L/min
  - Min run time = 3 hours
- UVC Source selection
  - Benchmark 56 Emitters
  - Ideal Reactor (Ray Tracing/CFD)



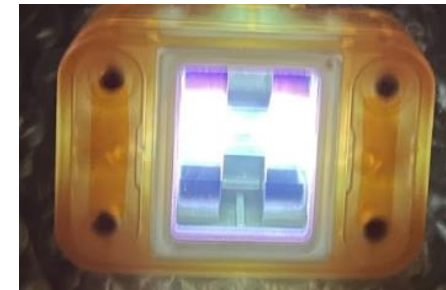
UV LIGHT  
DISINFECTION



Lp Hg Lamp



UVC LED

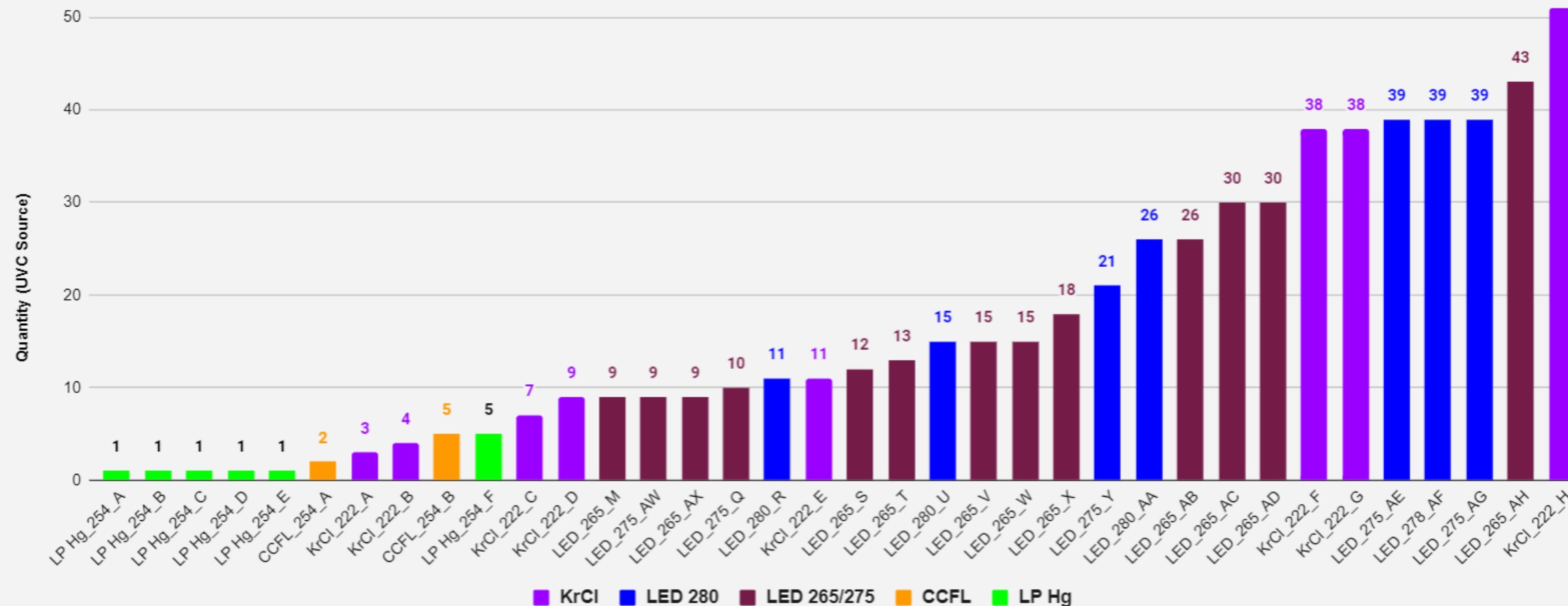


KrCl Excimer

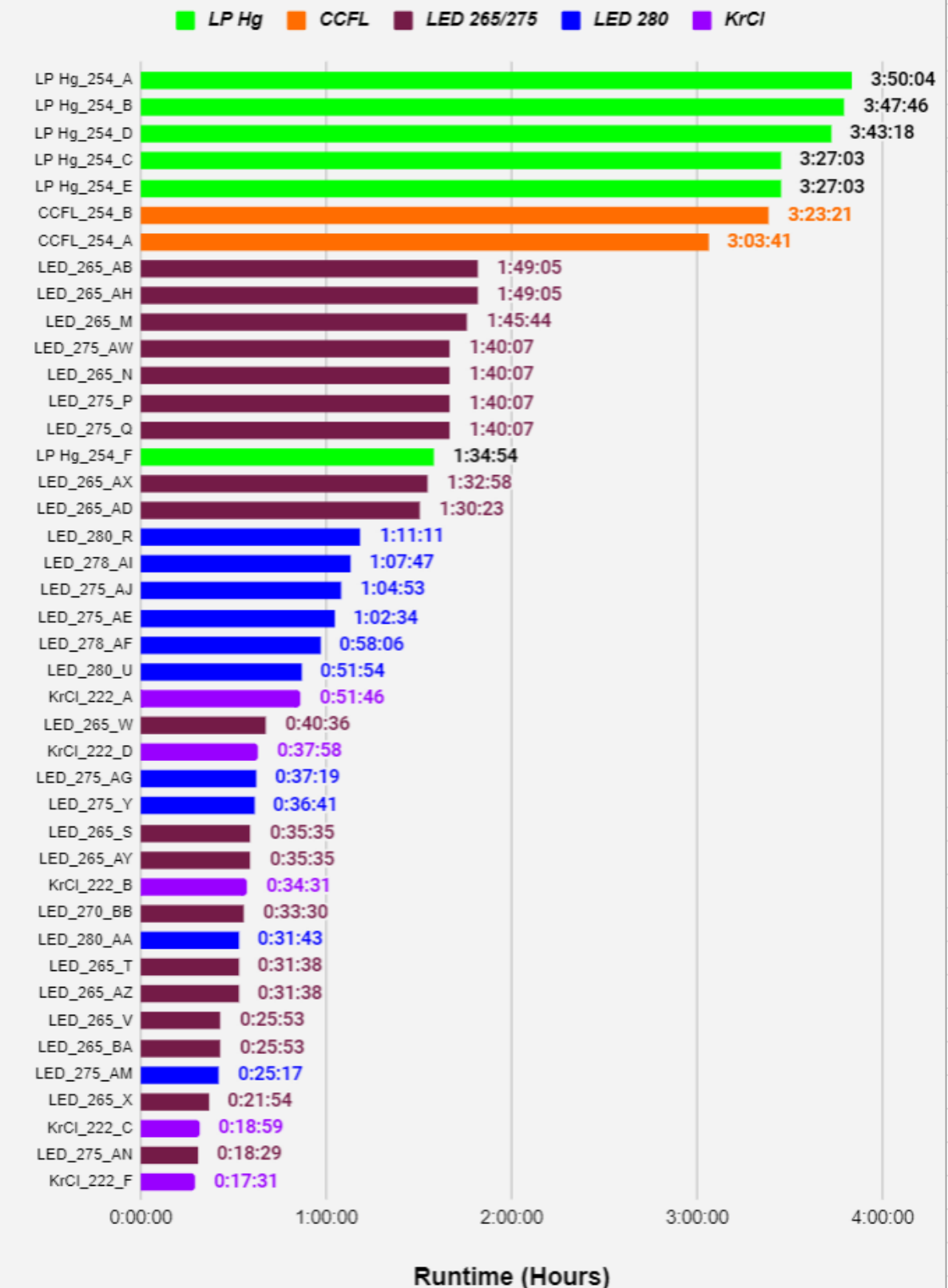


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2023 Benchmark: UVC Emitter Qty. LRV = 1.5 (SARS-CoV-2)



2023 Runtime Benchmark LRV = 1.5 (SARS-CoV-2) - 18.98 WHr



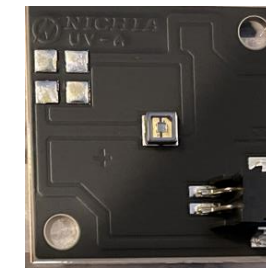


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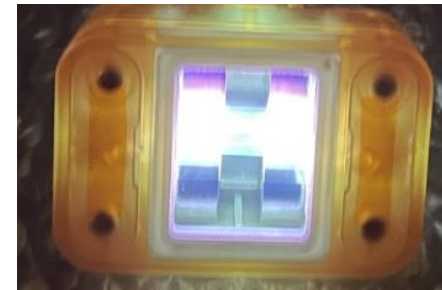
- Input Parameters Selection
  - Targets = SARS-CoV-2
  - **Low Pressure Mercury Lamp**
  - LRV  $\geq 1.5$  N95 (95% filtration)
  - (+) Output, Cost, WPE, Scalability
  - Volume = 100 ml
  - (-) Durability, Size, Control Capability
  - Peak Flow Rate = 90 L/min
- Future
  - Min run time = 3 hours
  - **LEDs!**
- UVC Source selection
  - Benchmark 56 Emitters
  - Ideal Reactor (Ray Tracing/CFD)



Lp Hg Lamp



UVC LED

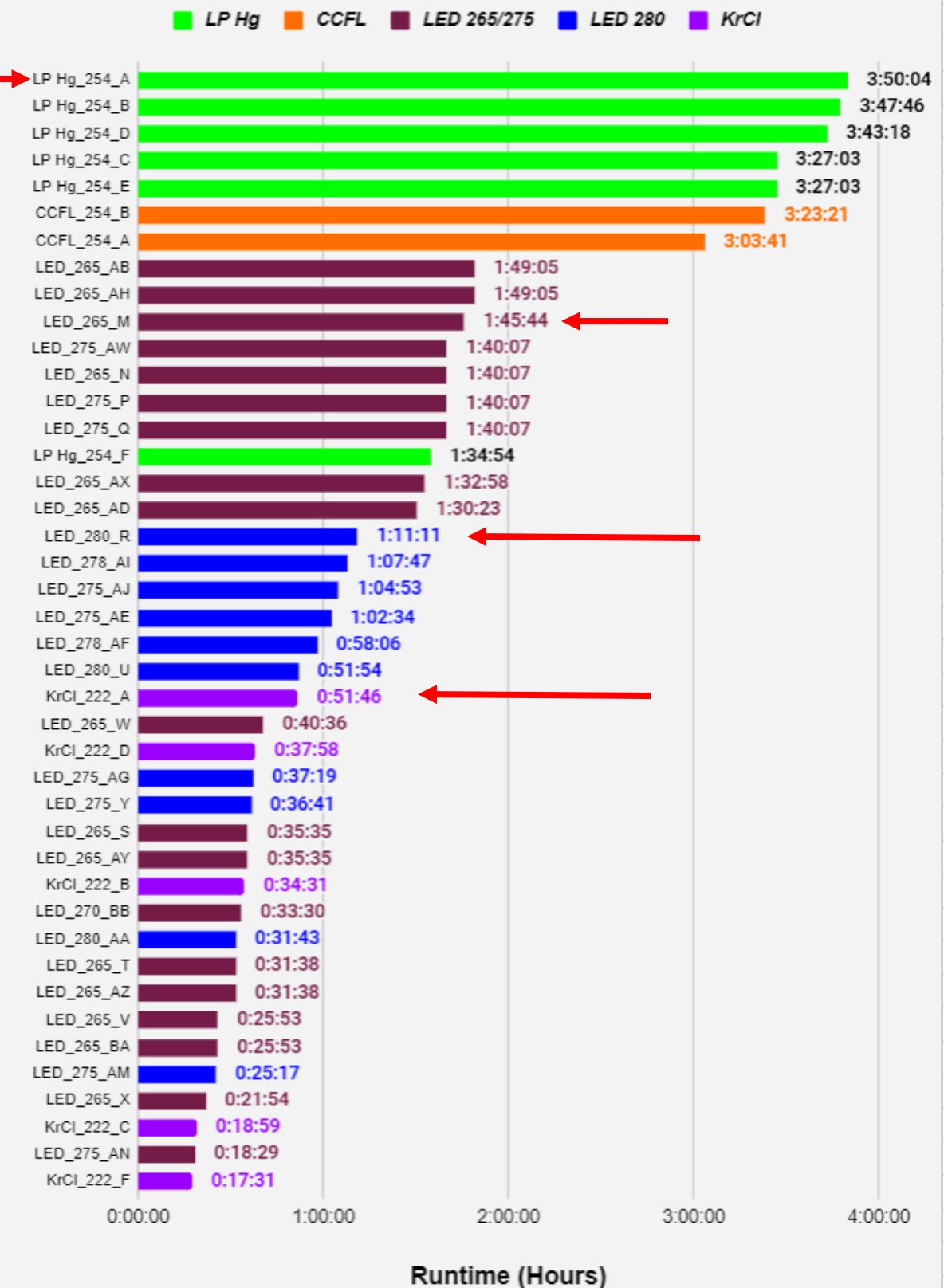


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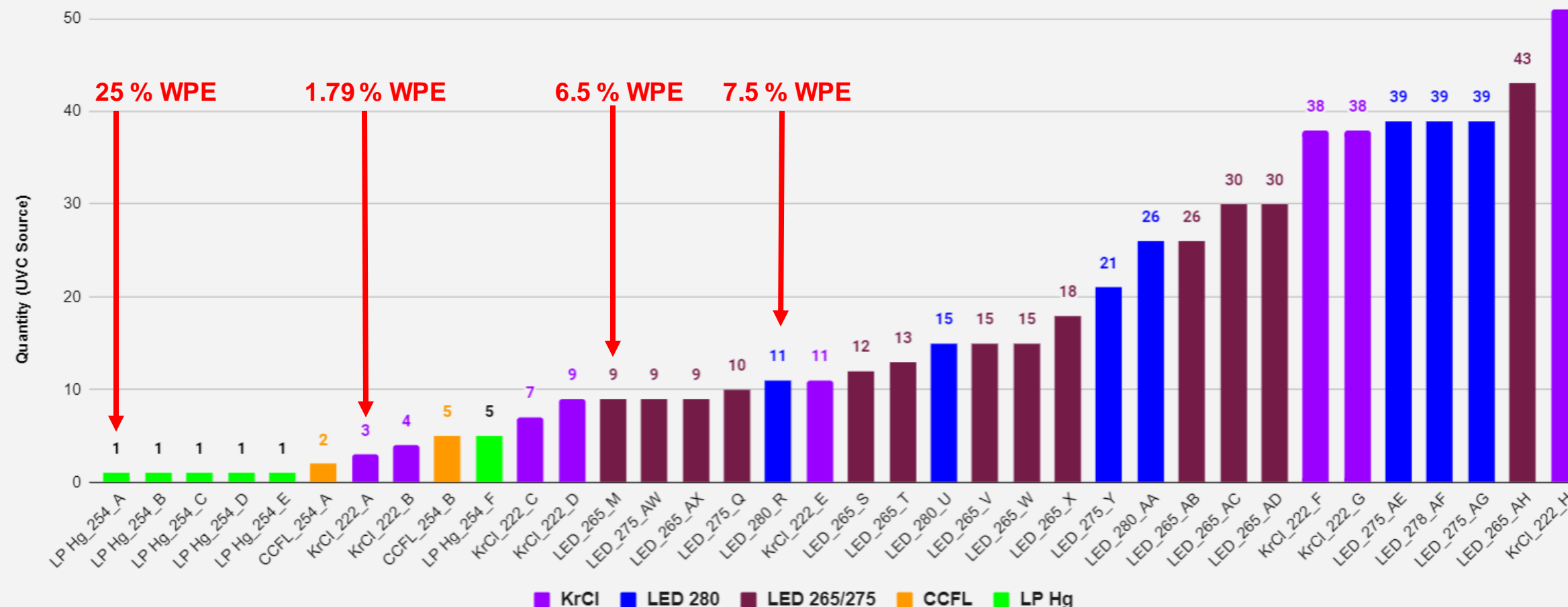


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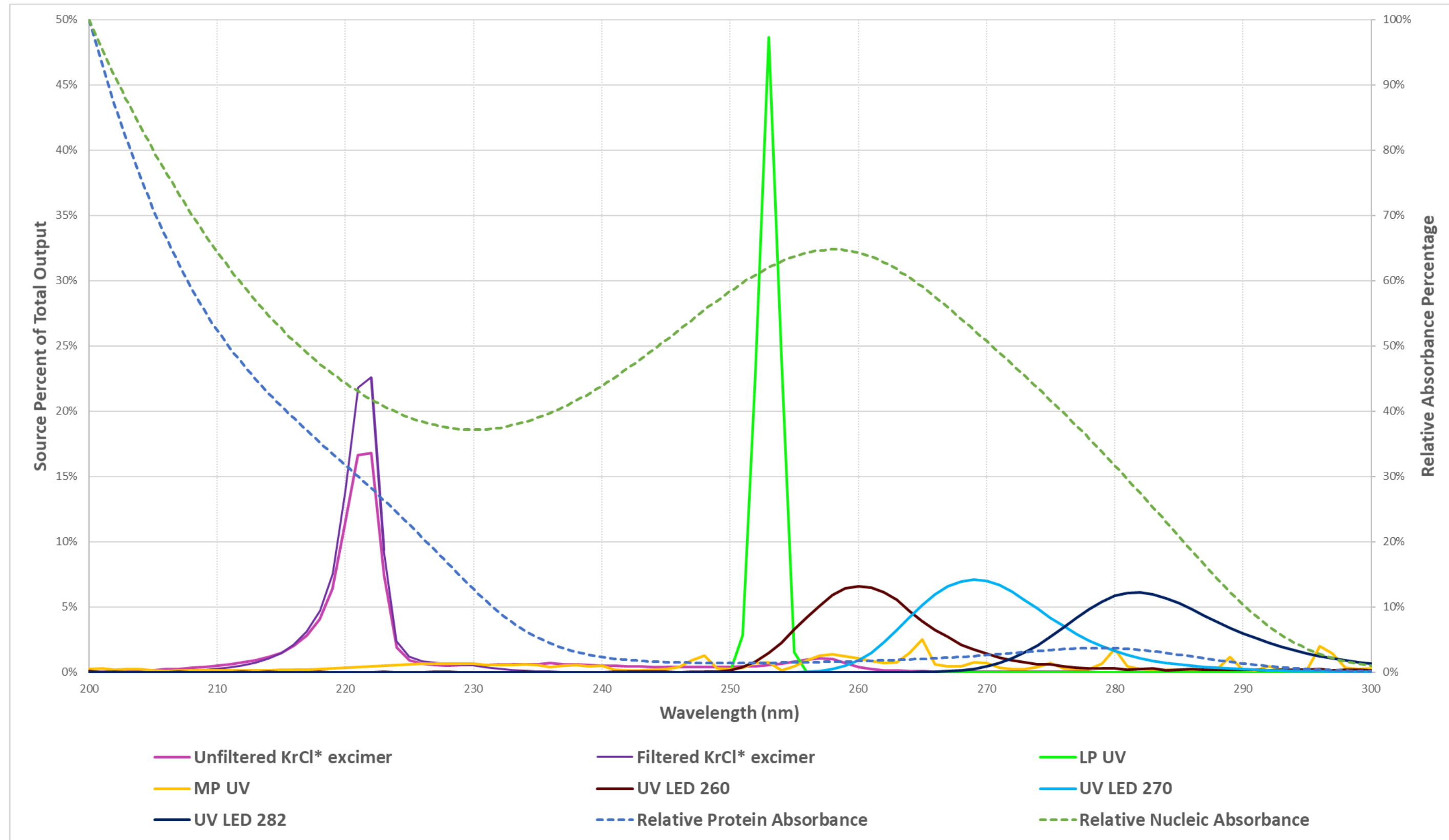




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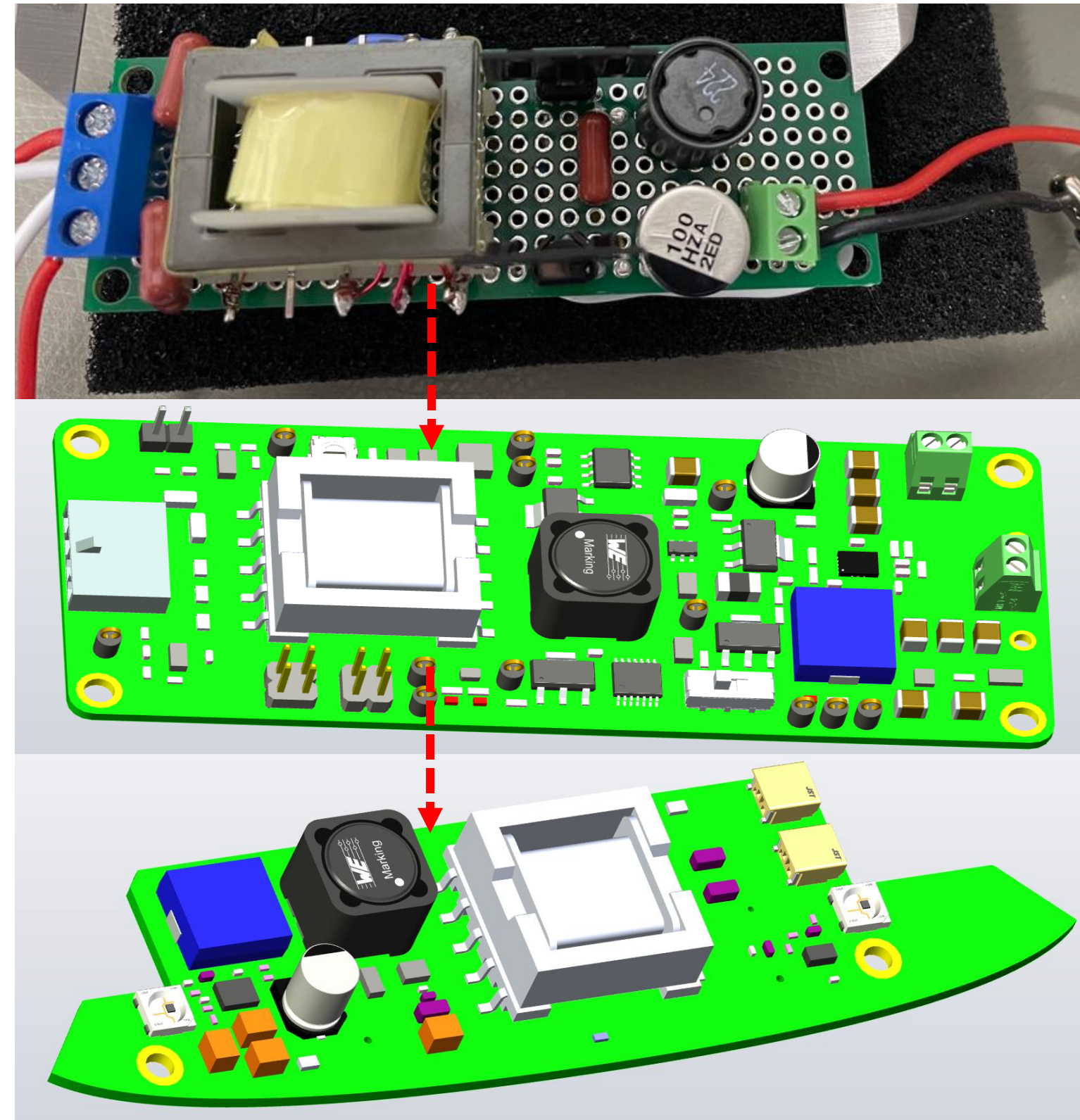
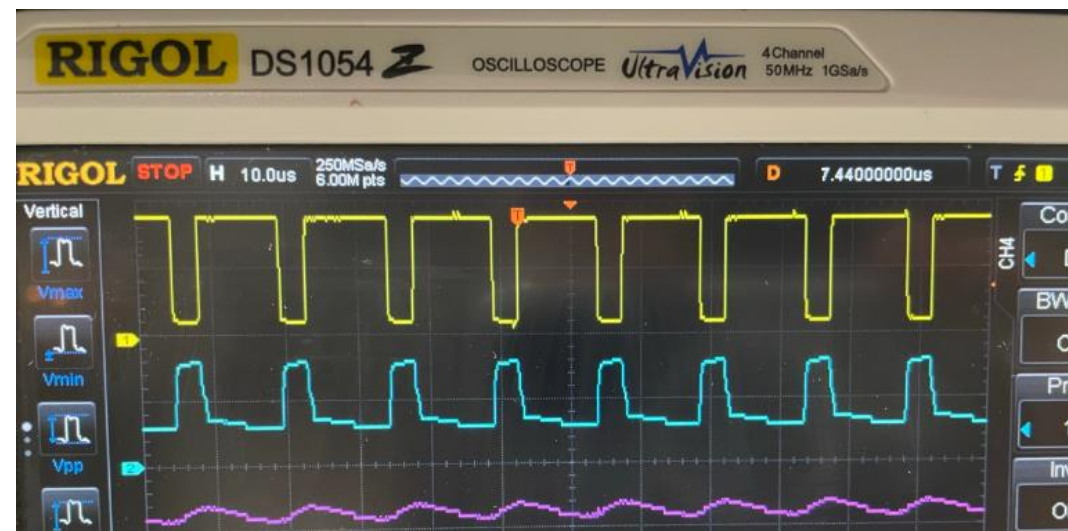
- Importance of Wavelength and HWM
- LEDs in particular



Source: <https://doi.org/10.1128/aem.01532-21>.

# Miniature Light Engine

- Custom lamp driver
- Low voltage Input (3.7V)
- Sinusoidal wave-shape,  $\eta_e > 90\%$
- Dual lamp control
- Dynamic lamp intensity Adj.
  - Smooth / continuous
- Fault protection/monitoring





# SYMMETRICAL FLOW DISINFECTION (SFD)

- Safe
- Re-usable
- Modular
- Enhanced Personal Protection
- Comfortable
- Adaptable
- Helps Prevent Transmission
- Portable
- Reliable

First Responders

Healthcare Workers

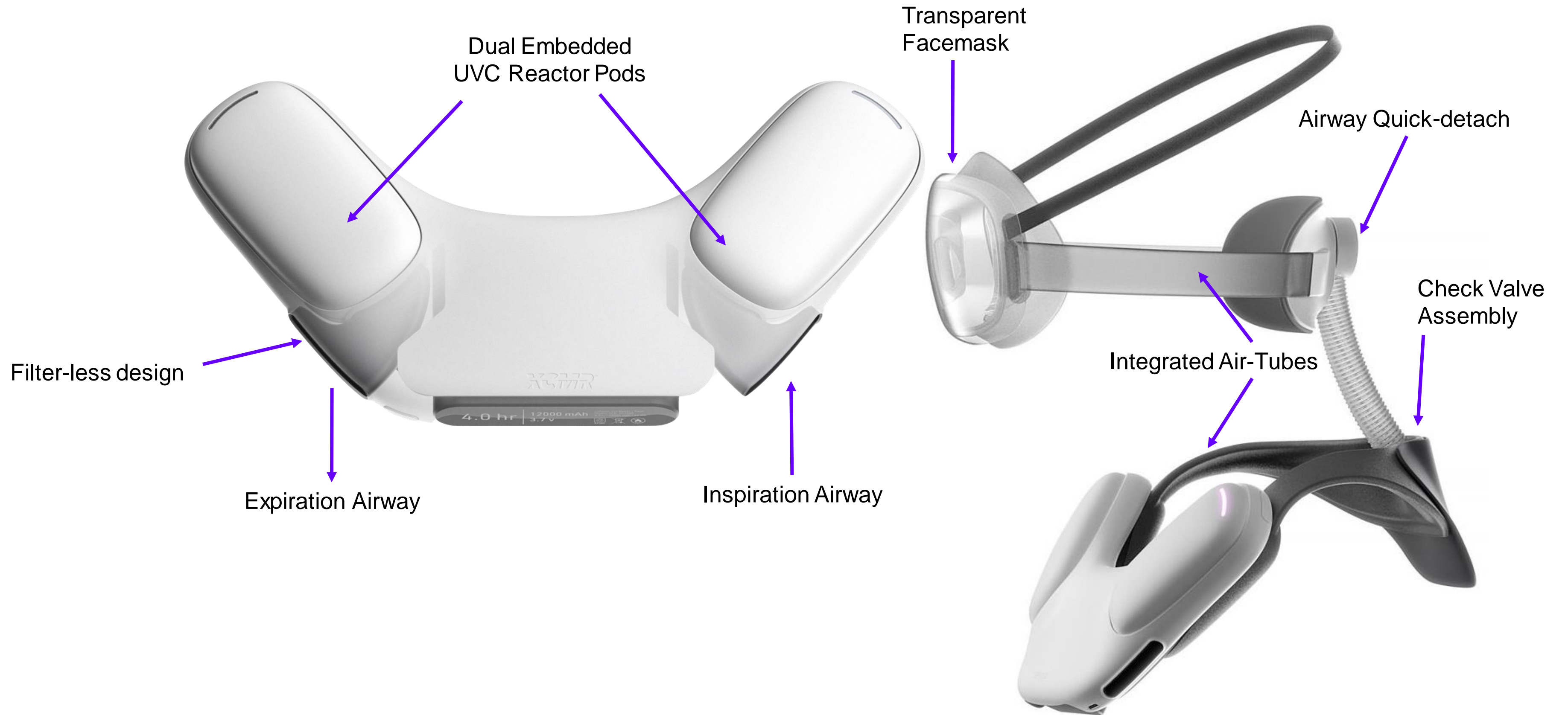
ICP Patients

Government Employees

Military



# Design Overview







- ambient air
- disinfected air
- exhaled air

# System Architecture

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- Modular Reactor Pod
  - Diversity of UVC Emitters
  - Upgradable
  - Wavelength-tuned solution
- Hot-swappable Battery
- Bimodal Protection
  - 1 or 2 way flow-switch
- Feedback
  - Visual
  - Haptic
  - Breath sensing
- Connectivity
  - Bluetooth/Wi-Fi/Mesh

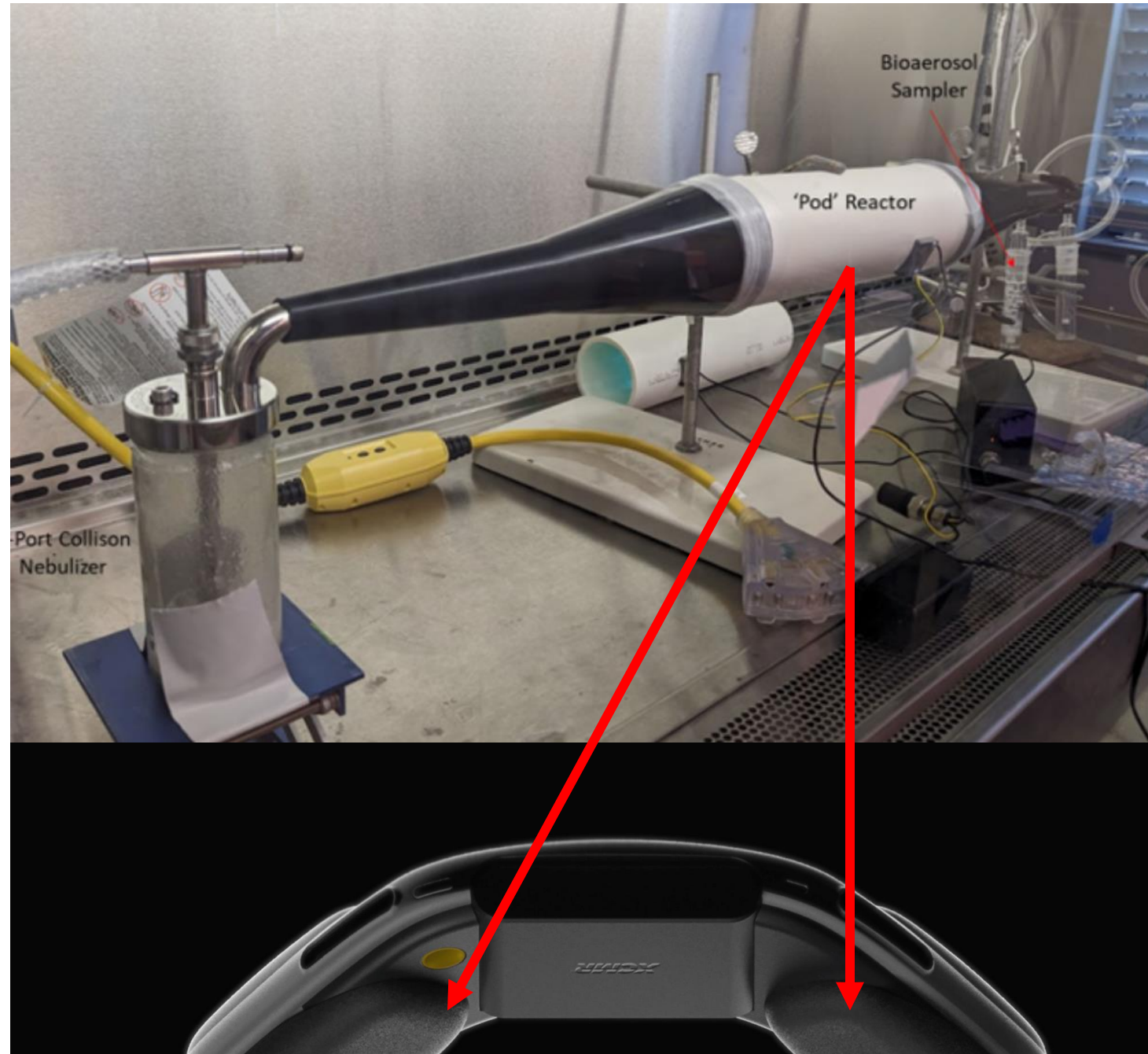




# Technical Details



- Biological Testing
  - Surrogate virus (aerosolized T1 phage)
  - **Reactor Pod Experiment**
  - **Mannequin Experiment**
- Expected results

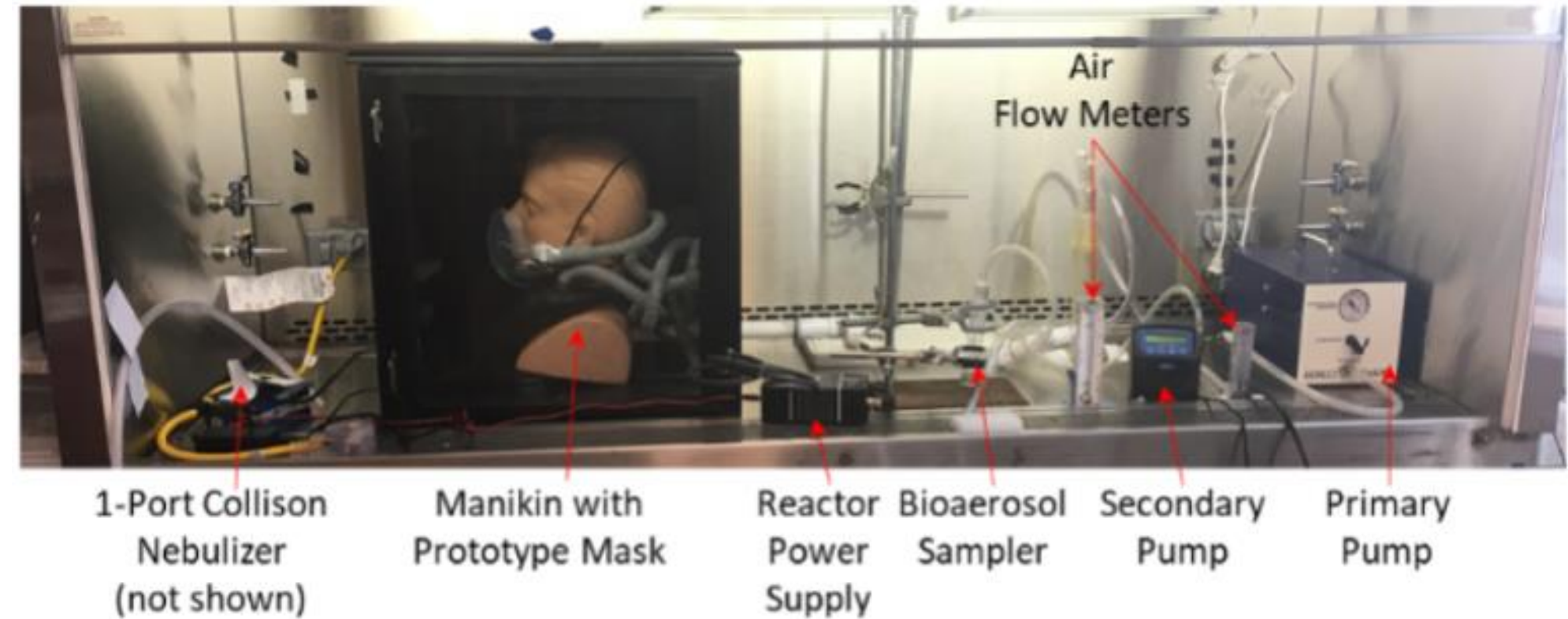


	Symmetrical	Unidirectional
Min. UV Dose	2.4 mJ/cm <sup>2</sup>	4.8 mJ/cm <sup>2</sup>
Flow Rate	90 L/min (inhale/exhale)	90 L/min (inhale)
Weight	3 lbs	
Runtime	4 hours	
Recharge	1.5 hours	

		SARS-CoV-2			
Pathogen					
Activity		At-Rest	Sitting / Working	Walking	Moderate Exercise
Peak Flow		40	75	105	150
Symmetrical	Min. Dose	5.4	2.8	2	1.4
	Est. LRV	>4	2.3	1.67	1.2
	% Reduction	99.99+	99.5	97.88	93.76
Unidirectional	Min. Dose	10.8	5.7	4.1	2.8
	Est. LRV	>6	>4	3.2	2.3
	% Reduction	99.9999+	99.99+	99.9+	99.5

# Future Directions

- Standardization
  - Intrinsic kinetics of inactivation for bio-aerosols
  - Human respiratory flow rates
- Laboratory Testing
  - Live virus (BSL3)
- Regulatory Framework
- Develop consensus standards/regulations
  - UV-C Efficacy
  - Proactive cooperation
    - Evidence-based, scientifically validated
- Field Testing
- Improved Reactor Pod
  - Expand Emitter types and Pathogen targets
  - Scalability beyond PPE





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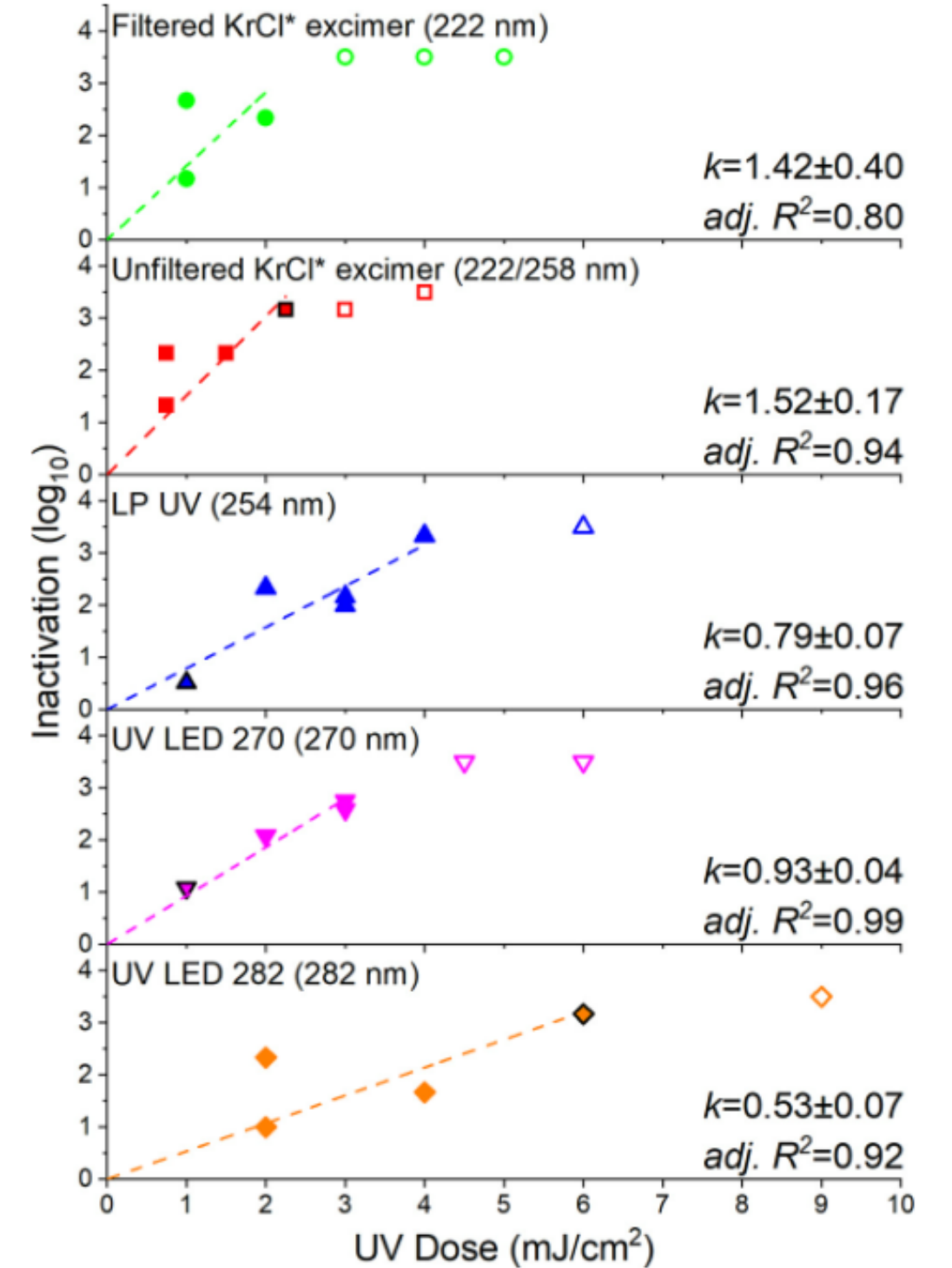
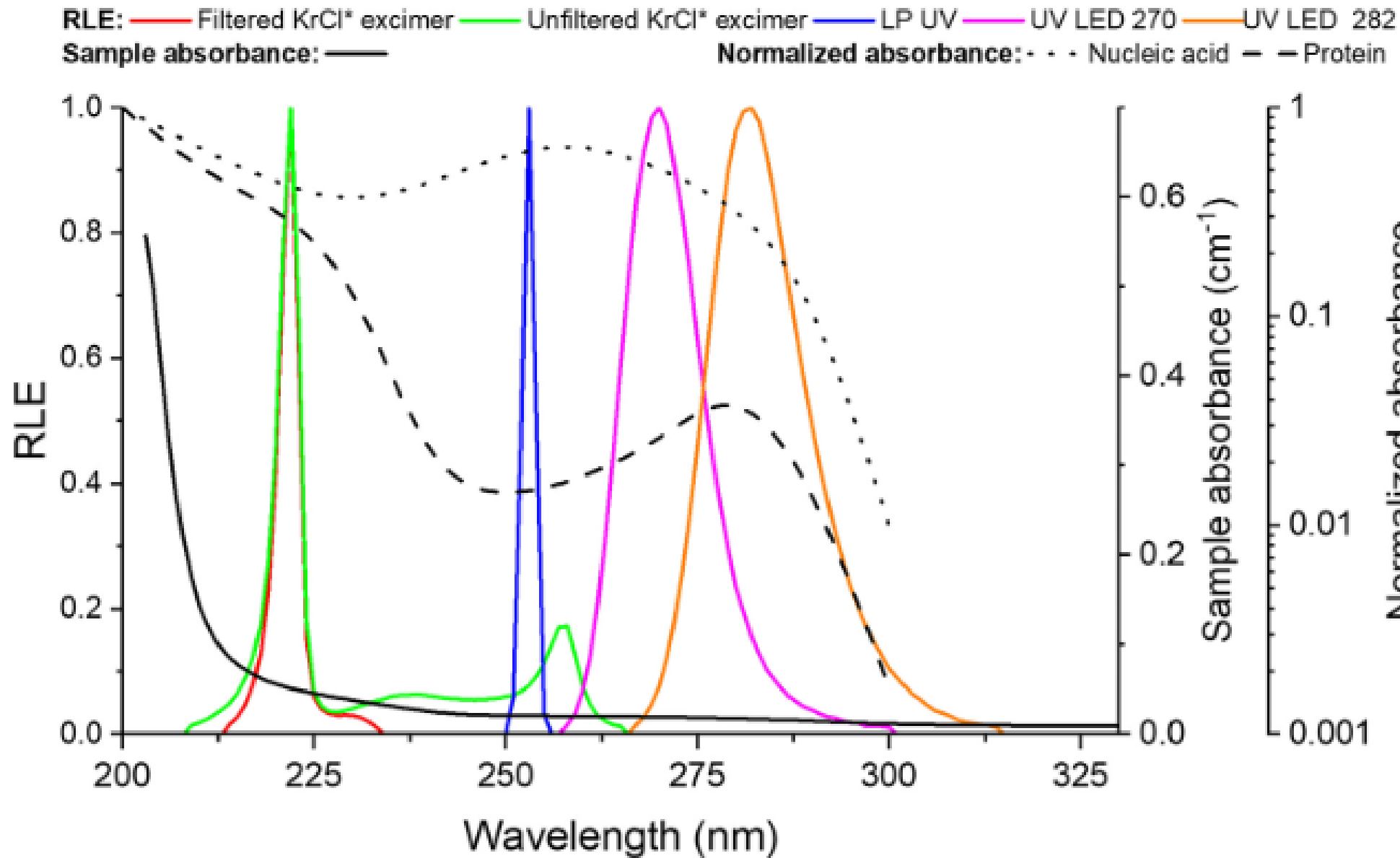
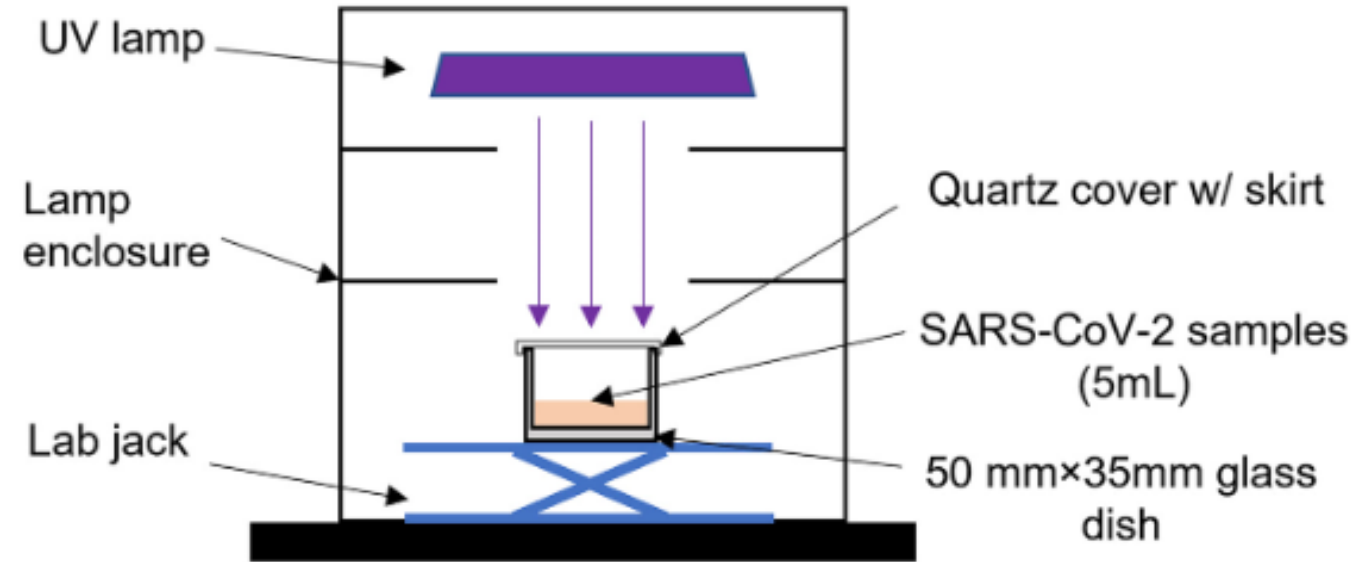
# Supplemental Information



# Appendix A

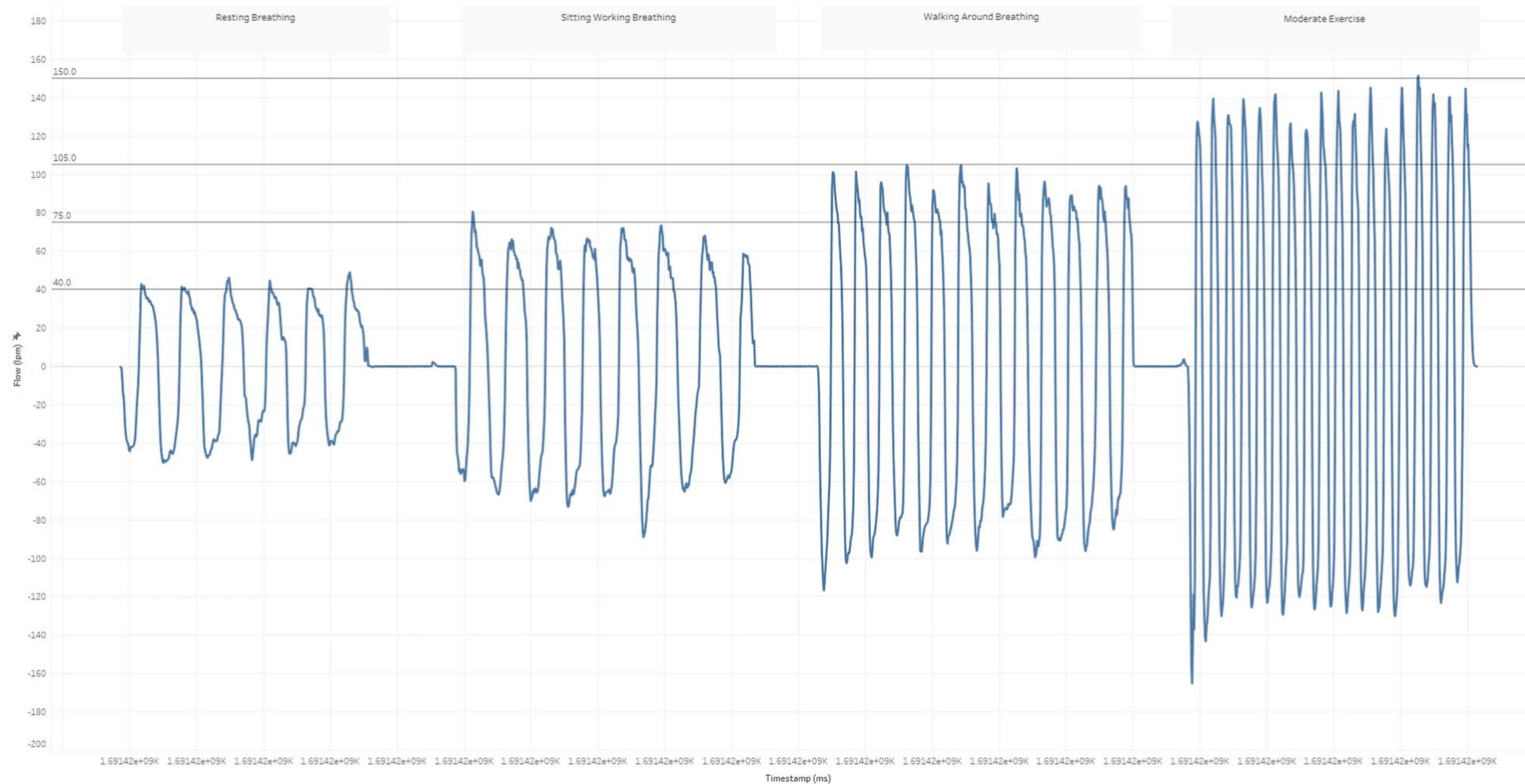


- Dose Response/Spectrum Analysis



# Appendix B

- Breathing Measurements



Measurements recorded from XCMR using SFM3300-AW on healthy adult male 6'3" middle aged (90<sup>th</sup> percentile)