# Lighting: Hygienic Approaches 

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## What is light?

- Light is just one portion of the various electromagnetic waves flying through space.
- The electromagnetic spectrum covers an extremely broad range, from radio waves with wavelengths of a meter or more, down to $x$-rays with wavelengths of less than a billionth of a meter. Optical radiation lies between radio waves and $x$-rays on the spectrum, exhibiting a unique mix of ray, wave, and quantum properties.



## What is light?



## Perception of light by eyes: anatomy

- Light perceived by special cells: cones and rods
- Cones and rods located at retina



## Perception of light by eyes: histology

- Cones and rods are photoreceptor neuroepithelial cells



## Perception of light by eyes: biochemistry

- Photoreceptor cells contain a chromophore (11-cis retinal, the aldehyde of Vitamin A1 and light-absorbing portion) bound to cell membrane protein, opsin.
- Light perception starts from light photon interaction with the retinal in a photoreceptor cell. The retinal undergoes isomerisation, changing from the 11-cis to all-trans configuration. That causes conformational change of opsin and undergoing change of membrane potential.



## Light has a triple effect

- Light for visual functions
- Illumination of task area in conformity with relevant standards
- Glare-free and convenient
- Light for emotional perception
- Lighting enhancing architecture
- Creating scenes and effects
- Light creating biological effects
- Supporting people's circadian rhythm
- Stimulating or relaxing


## Basic parameters used in lighting

- Luminous flux (Lumen, Im) (Сила света)
- Luminous intensity (Candela, cd) (Интенсивность света)
- Illuminance (Lux, Ix) (Освещенность)
- Luminance (cd/m²) (Яркость)



## Luminous flux

- The luminous flux describes the quantity of light emitted by a light source.
- The luminous efficiency is the ratio of the luminous flux to the electrical power consumed ( $\mathrm{Im} / \mathrm{W}$ ). It is a measure of a light source's economic efficiency.
- Units: Lumen


## Luminous flux $\Phi$



Lumen [Im]

## Luminous intensity

- The luminous intensity describes the quantity of light that is radiated in a particular direction. This is a useful measurement for directive lighting elements such as reflectors.
- Units: Candela


## Luminous intensity I



Candela [lm/sr]=[cd]

## Illuminance

- Illuminance describes the quantity of luminous flux falling on a surface. Relevant standards specify the required illuminance.
- Units: Lux

Illuminance: $\mathrm{E}(\mid \mathrm{x})=\frac{\text { luminous flux }(\mathrm{Im})}{\text { area }\left(\mathrm{m}^{2}\right)}$

Illuminance $E$

$\operatorname{Lux}\left[\mathrm{Im} / \mathrm{m}^{2}\right]=[\mathrm{Ix}]$

## Luminance

- Luminance is the only basic lighting parameter that is perceived by the eye.
- It describes on the one hand a light source's impression of brightness, and on the other, a surface and therefore depends to a large extent on the degree of reflection (colour and surface).
- Units: $\mathrm{cd} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$

Luminance L

$\left[1 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sr}^{*} \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right]=\left[\mathrm{cd} / \mathrm{m}^{2}\right]$

## Quality criteria of lightning

- Sufficient illumination level
- Harmonious brightness distribution
- Glare limitation
- Avoidance of reflections
- Good modelling
- Correct light colour
- Appropriate colour rendering
- Changing lighting situations
- Personal control
- Energy efficiency
- Daylight integration
- Light as an interior design element

Direct glare


## Glare limitation for direct glare

- Cause
- Luminaires without glare control
- Very bright surfaces
- Effect
- Loss of concentration
- More frequent mistakes
- Fatigue
- Remedy
- Luminaires with limited luminance levels
- Blinds on windows


## Reflected glare



## Glare limitation for reflected glare

- Cause
- Reflective surfaces
- Incorrect luminaire arrangement
- Incorrect workstation position
- Effect
- Loss of concentration
- More frequent mistakes
- Fatigue
- Remedy
- Matching luminaire to workstation (layout)
- Indirect lighting
- Matt surfaces


## Light colour

- Light colour measured in Kelvins (K)
- The light colour describes the colour appearance of the light.

|  | Colour <br> temperature | Appearance | Association |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Warm white | up to 3300 K | reddish | warm |
| Intermediate <br> white | $3300-5300 \mathrm{~K}$ | white | neutral |
| Cool white | from 5300 K | bluish | cool |

## Measuring illuminance

- Measurement tool called Luxmeter



## Types of lighting

- Direct lighting
- Indirect lighting
- Indirect/direct lighting



## Direct lighting

- Light falls from the luminaires on the ceiling directly onto the workplace, in part highly directional
- Glare suppression is important under flat angles
- The ceiling can appear dark (cave effect)
- The workplace layout should not allow any shadows
- High energy efficiency is achieved for the work area


## Indirect lighting

- Light is directed to the ceiling and walls so that it illuminates the workplaces indirectly
- The lighting effect may appear diffuse through the absence of shadows
- The room increases in height
- The light is glare-free
- Workplaces can be arranged at random
- Lower energy efficiency


## Indirect/direct lighting

- Light is directed to the workplace directly and indirectly via the ceiling from suspended luminaires or free-standing luminaires
- Pleasant room visuals
- High user acceptance
- Good contrast ratios
- Flexible workplace layout with an indirect share of > $60 \%$
- Good combination of energy efficiency and lighting quality


## Standard values for lighting of workplaces

- Illuminance levels must not fall below the maintenance values in the visual task area.
- If the precise location is not known, the limit should be applied to the whole room or a specific working area.
- Maintenance levels:
- School and university classes: 300 lx
- Pediatrics medical room: 500 lx
- Operating room: 500 lx
- X-rays diagnostic rooms: 400 Ix


## Application areas of lighting

Light for Offices and Communication


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- Working and feeling at ease
- Making work easier: Complying with standards (adjusting illuminance levels to tasks). Avoiding glare by light
- Creating an identity: Lighting design in the overall architectural context
- Promoting health: Adjusting biologically effective light to the circadian day/night rhythm. Daylight as preferred source of light
- Employees as a cost factor: Staff cost analysis in comparison with investment and operating costs. Result: lighting solutions must be subject to people's demands. Light enhances people's performance and creativity.


## Application areas of lighting

Light for Offices and Communication

- Technology and flexibility
- Creating different zones: Structuring and orientation in space through lighting design for vertical surfaces, transit areas, pools of light etc. Arranging groups using lighting management
- Bolstering activity: Adjustment through lighting management. Taking into account changing work media (such as tablets): no high luminance levels at steep angles
- Preserving individuality: Keeping demographic trends in mind. Lighting management for individual control options
- Being flexible: Glare limitation at all angles for flexible utilisation of space


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- Environmental aspects
- Use of daylight: Energy efficiency through lighting management
- Efficient luminaires and intelligent control: LED solutions are highly efficient. Frequent dimming and switching does not affect the LEDs' service life
- Ergonomic compatibility
- Performance and concentration: Standards cover basic visual requirements such as glare or illuminance. Emotional components enhance concentration. Open room ambience thanks to brightening up of ceiling and walls


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Light for Education and Science

- Ergonomic compatibility
- Feeling at ease and health: Feeling at ease enhances people's performance. Light stabilises the inner biological clock, measurably stimulates hormonal processes. Medical evidence shows that light enhances cognitive performance
- Adjusting light to activities and visual tasks: Blackboard lighting: high visual demands because of accommodation required from the eye for close and distant vision when reading and copying from the blackboard


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- Health and activity
- Quality for patients and persons in need of care: Taking into account dementia patients. Avoiding mirror effects and reflections (delusions)
- Feeling at ease and supporting the inner clock: In many healthcare facilities, no daylight - an important means of stabilising the inner clock - is available. Little time is spent outdoors. Compensation by artificial lighting: well-adjusted changes in light colours and illuminance levels. High intensity in pools of light


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Light for Health and Care

- Reliability and functionality
- Visual comfort and security for patients and residents: Emergency lighting. Providing orientation. Avoiding heavy shadows and dark zones. Pleasant corridor design using indirect light components on ceiling and walls
- Supporting diagnosis and treatment: Increase in illuminance levels: at the press of a button at the patient's bedside or via additional light components. High colour rendering index
- Optimising doctors' and nurses' working conditions: Individual settings, intuitive operation. Where people work at night: support the circadian rhythm with biologically effective lighting


## Light production

- Light can be produced in a large number of different ways - naturally or artificially.
- Light is produced cost-effectively by using four main groups of light sources:
- Thermal light sources
- Low-intensity discharge lamps
- High-intensity discharge lamps
- Semiconductor light sources


## Light production



Thanks for attention!

