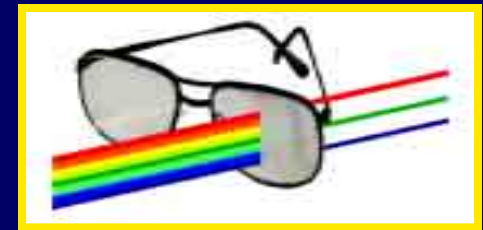
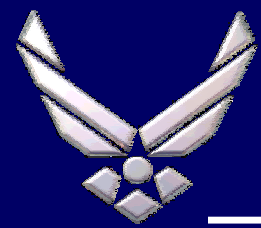


REDUCTION OF PROTECTION FROM LASER EYEWEAR WITH ULTRASHORT EXPOSURE

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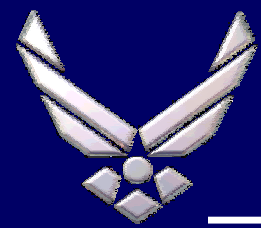


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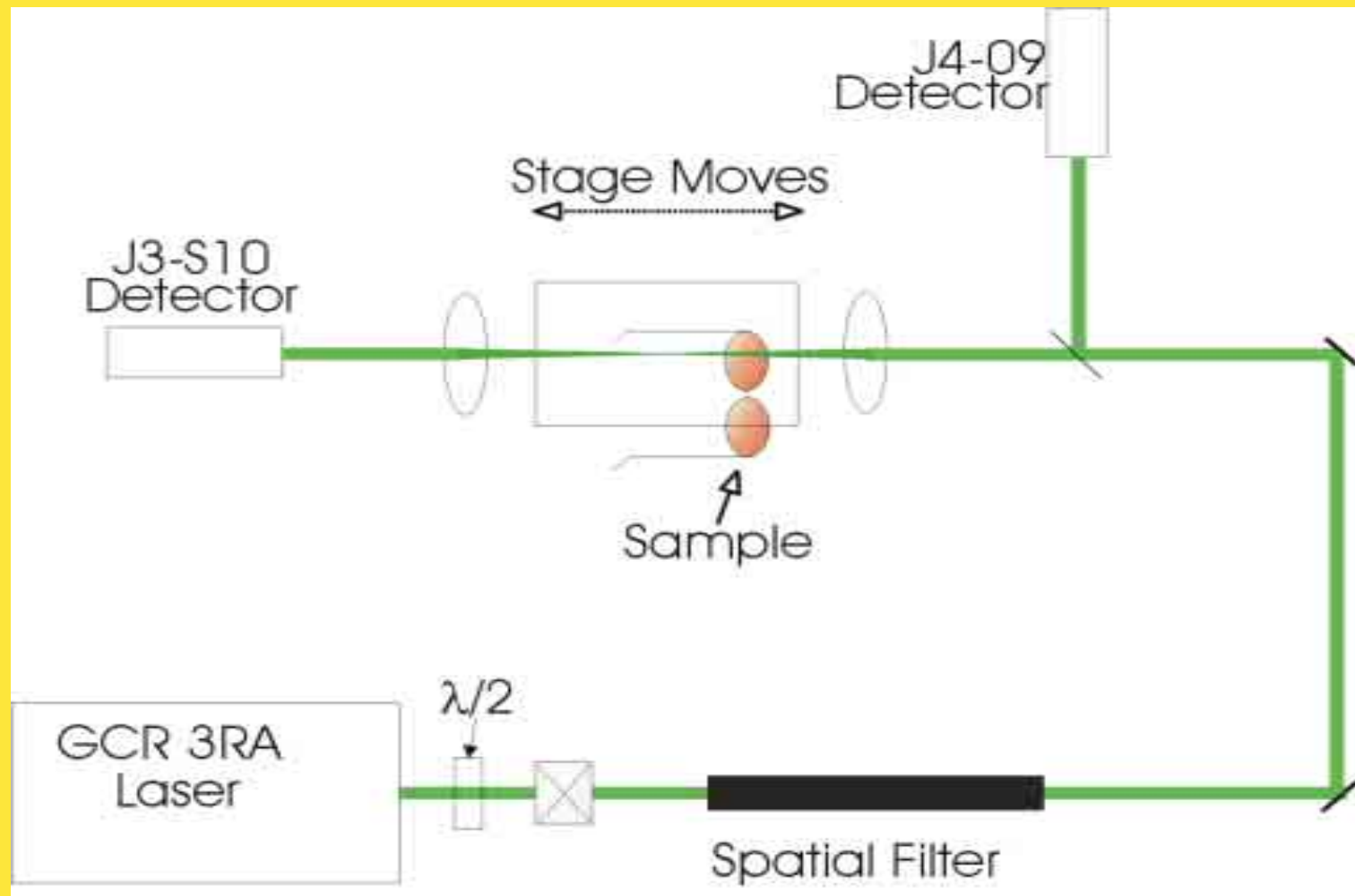


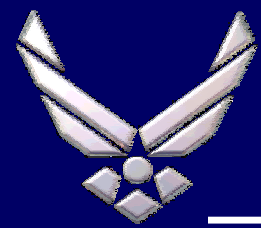
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System Layout





Data Collection



- **Laser**
 - Nd:YAG (1064 nm, 532 nm)
 - 5ns, 100ps
- **Energy Measurement**
 - Ratiometer (10-100 μ J)
 - Molectron (J3-S10, J4-09)
- **Beam Diameter**
 - 2- 4 mm
- **Software**
 - LabVIEW



Summary of Samples Tested



Code	5ns 532	5ns 1064	100ps 532	100ps 1064
SAMPLE A (P)	X		X	X
SAMPLE B (G)	X		X	
SAMPLE C (G)	X		X	
SAMPLE D (G)			X	
SAMPLE E (P)				X
SAMPLE H (G)				X
SAMPLE I (P)				X
SAMPLE J (G)		X		X
SAMPLE K (P)		X		X
SAMPLE L (P)		X		X
SAMPLE M (P)	X		X	
SAMPLE S (P)			X	
SAMPLE T (P)			X	
SAMPLE KG3 (G)		X		X



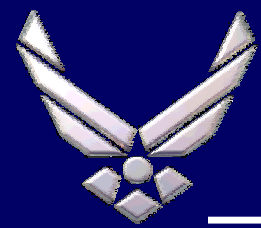
No Effect
Decreased Transmittance
Bleaching

1×10^{-5} to 1 J/cm^2

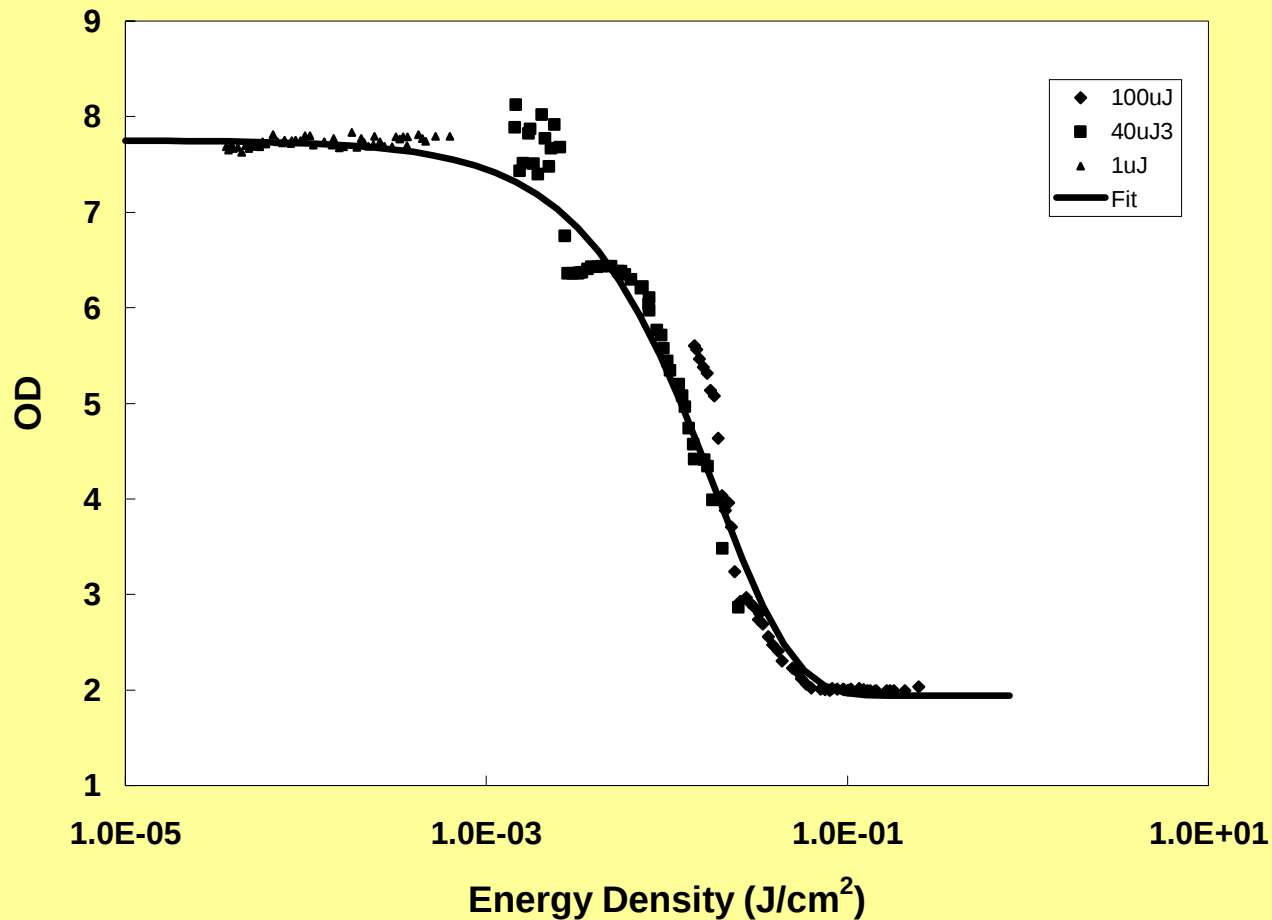
1×10^5 to $1 \times 10^7 \text{ W/cm}^2$

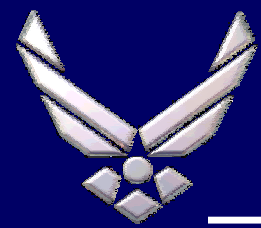
1×10^{-5} to 1 J/cm^2

1×10^4 to $1 \times 10^8 \text{ W/cm}^2$

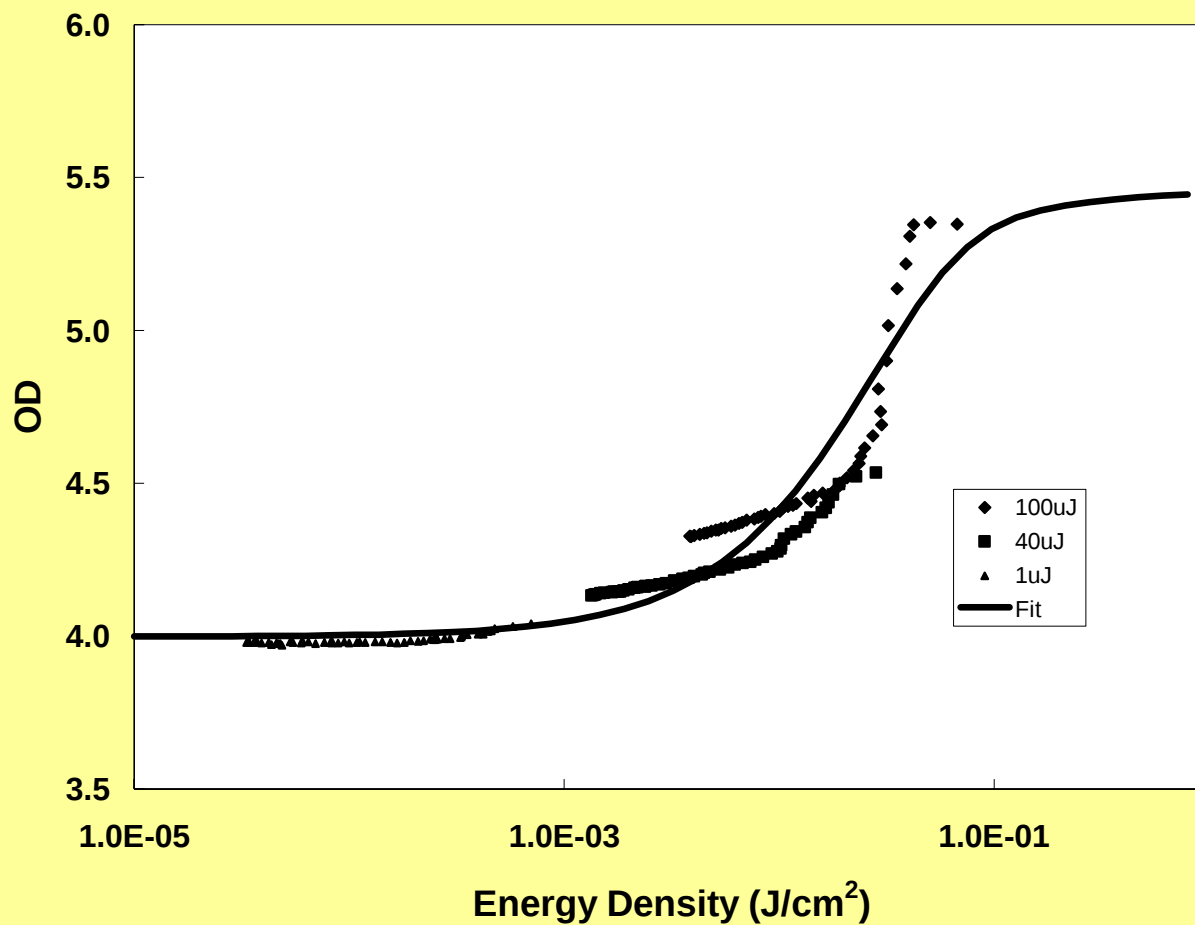


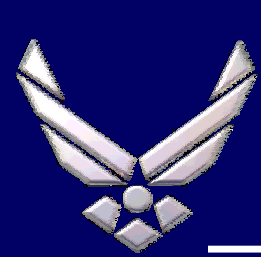
“Bleaching” of glass filter (Sample D)





Increased optical absorption in plastic (Sample A).





Modeling



$$T = \frac{E(x - x_0)}{E(x_0)} = \exp[-\alpha(x - x_0)]$$

$$\alpha = N_0 \cdot \sigma_0 + N_1 \cdot \sigma_1$$

$$N_0 = \frac{N\sigma_0}{\sigma_0 + \sigma_1 + \frac{1}{E \cdot \tau}} \exp\left[\left(-E(\sigma_0 + \sigma_1) - \frac{1}{\tau}\right)t\right] + \frac{N(E\sigma_1\tau + 1)}{E\tau(\sigma_0 + \sigma_1) + 1}$$

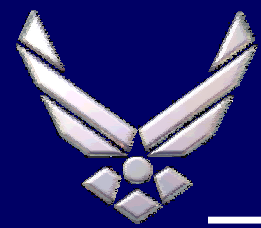
$$N = N_0 + N_1$$



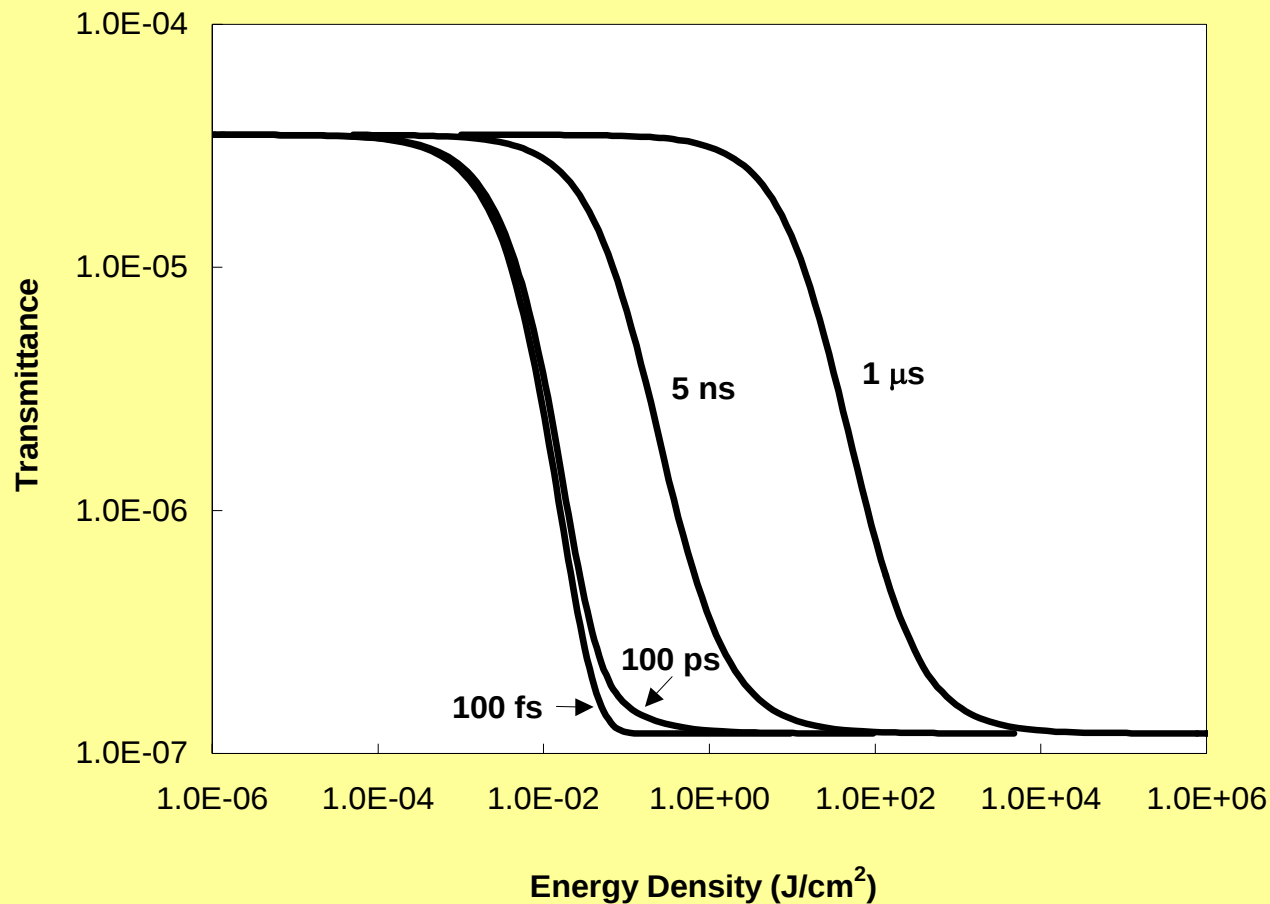
Modeling Results for Selected Samples

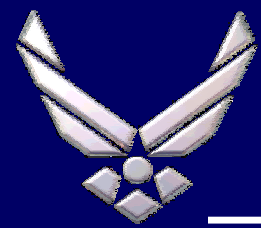


Sample ID	Material Type	Sample Thickness (mm)	Wave-length (nm)	N (cm ⁻³)	t (s)	τ (s)	σ_0 (cm ⁻²)	σ_1 (cm ⁻²)
A	Polycarb	3.0	532	6.6E+18	5.0E-9	3.35E-10	5.18E-18	1.80E-17
A	Polycarb	3.0	532	6.6E+18	1.0E-10	3.35E-10	4.65E-18	1.00E-17
B	Glass	1.0	532	3.1E+18	5.0E-9	9.60E-08	3.80E-17	2.60E-18
B	Glass	1.0	532	4.5E+18	1.0E-10	1.50E-08	2.65E-17	5.70E-18
D	Glass	3.0	532	3.4E+18	1.0E-10	8.00E-08	1.75E-17	2.50E-18
H	Glass	2.0	1064	6.5E+18	1.0E-10	9.80E-09	5.10E-18	1.60E-16

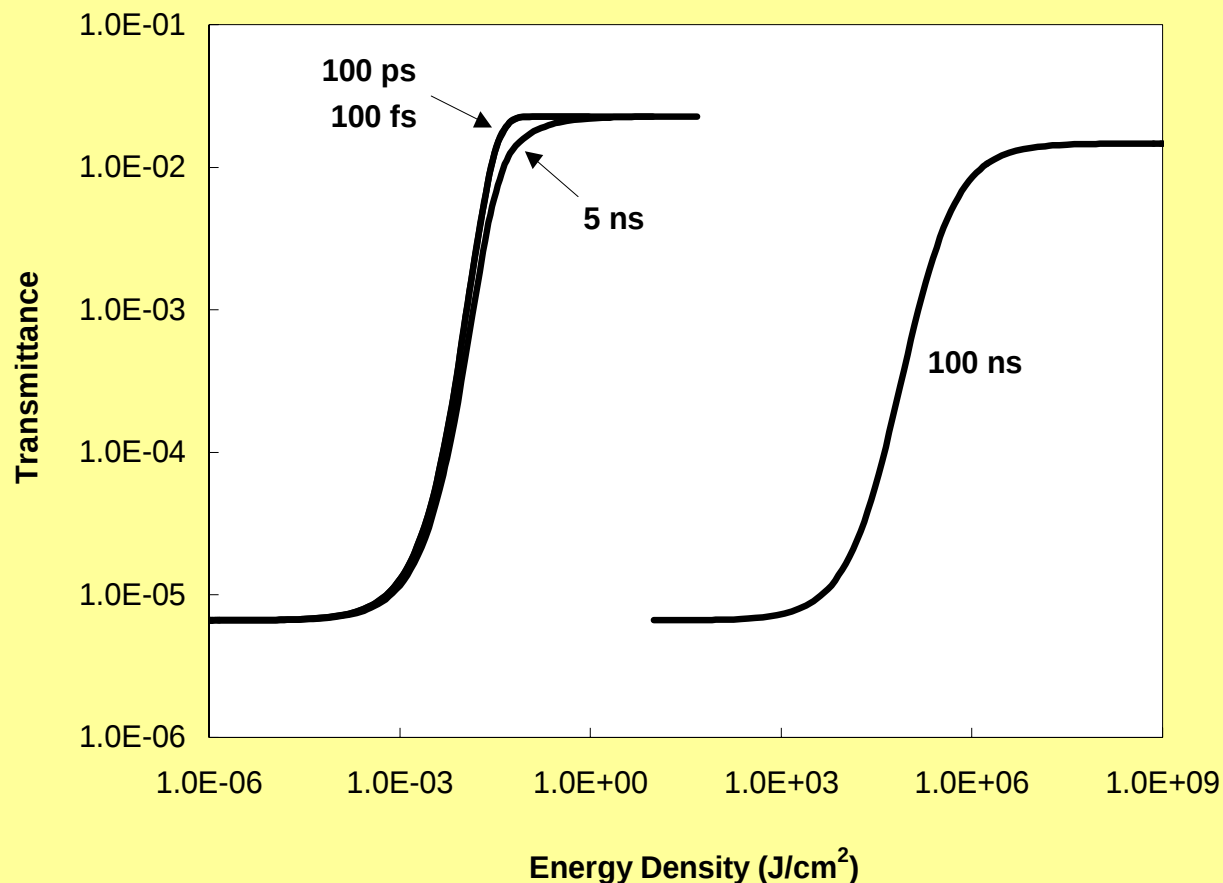


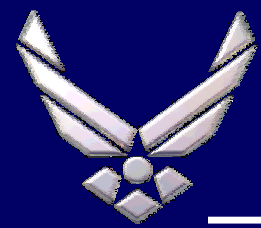
Predicted effects of pulse duration on transmittance curves (Sample A).





Predicted effects of pulse duration on bleaching curves (Sample B).





Conclusions

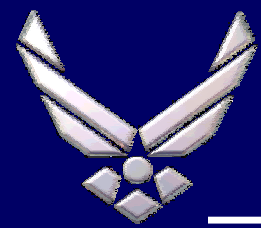


Effects of short pulse, high irradiance exposures to laser filters can be significant.

It may be possible to identify a fixed set of parameters describing transmittance for any pulse duration and energy density.

When collecting data, it is essential to increase irradiance to the point where bleaching levels off.





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