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# Fiber-Coupled Cryogenic Radiometer with Carbon Nanotube Absorber

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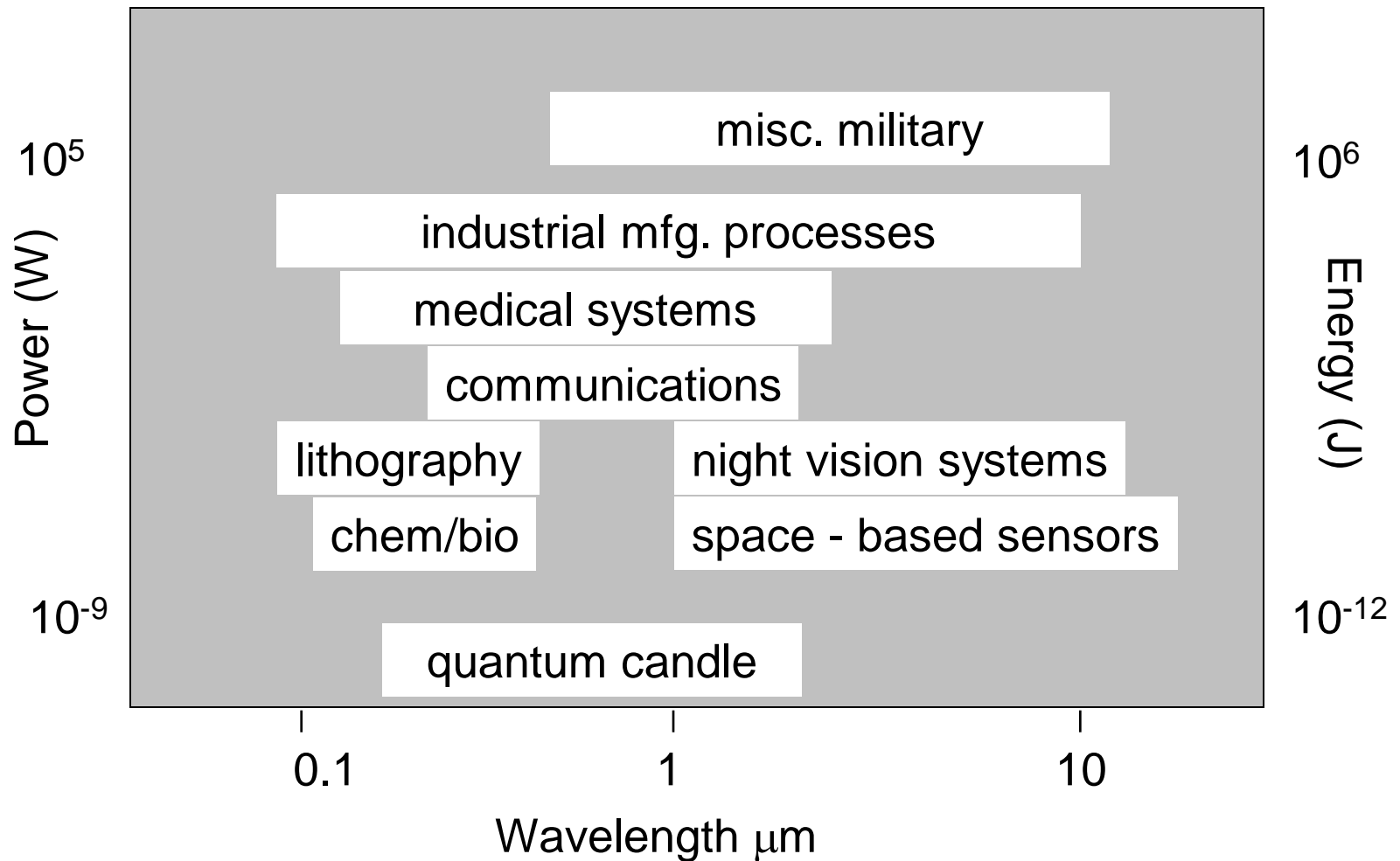
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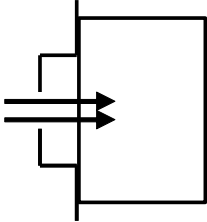
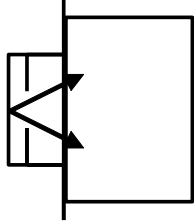
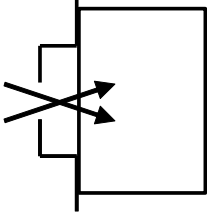
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Quantum Electronics and Photonics Division  
Sources and Detectors Group  
Laser Radiometry Project (11 people)*

*Laser Power Meter Calibration Services (10 % of NIST by income)*

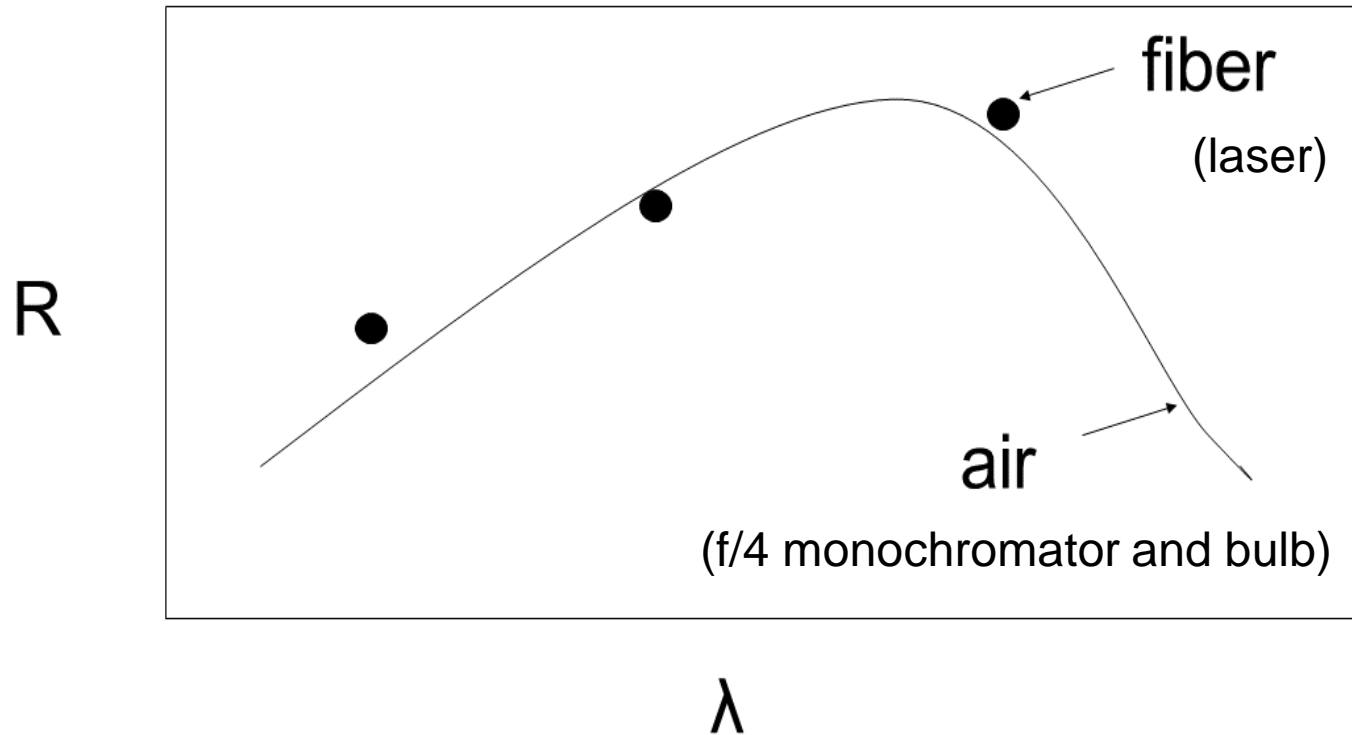
*The next generation of detectors for laser power and energy measurements traceable to NIST*



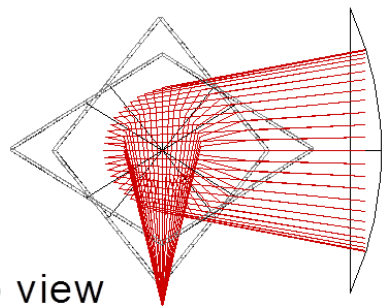
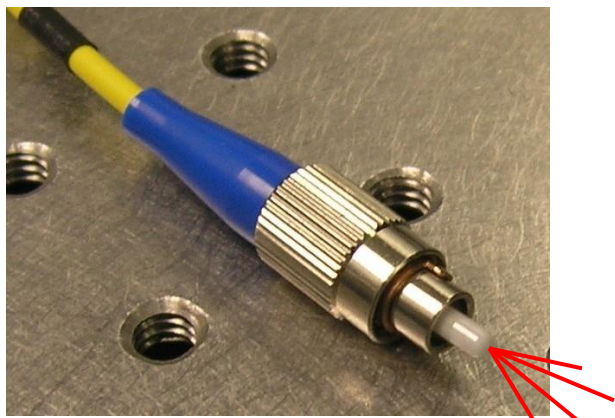
# Motivation

Beam geometry	Detector	Measurement system
Nearly collimated	 A schematic diagram showing a rectangular detector on the right. Two parallel horizontal arrows point from the left towards the detector, representing a collimated beam. A small rectangular component is positioned to the left of the detector, with a vertical line extending from its top edge to the detector's left edge.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C-series</li><li>2. LOCR</li></ol> <p><i>Absolute</i></p>
Diverging from fiber	 A schematic diagram showing a rectangular detector on the right. Two arrows originate from a small rectangular component on the left, diverging as they point towards the detector. A vertical line extends from the top of the component to the detector's left edge.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>3. Fiber-based responsivity with FC connector</li></ol> <p><i>(The customer)</i></p>
Diverging from monochromator (6 nm bandwidth)	 A schematic diagram showing a rectangular detector on the right. Two arrows originate from a small rectangular component on the left, diverging as they point towards the detector. A vertical line extends from the top of the component to the detector's left edge.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. Spectral responsivity</li></ol> <p><i>“Relative”</i></p>

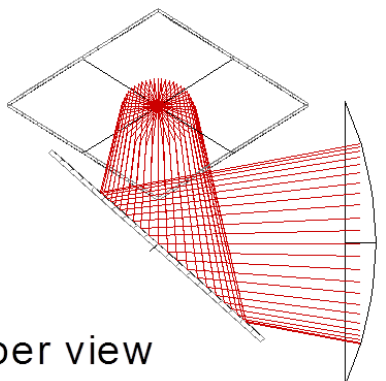
## Absolute and Spectral Responsivity



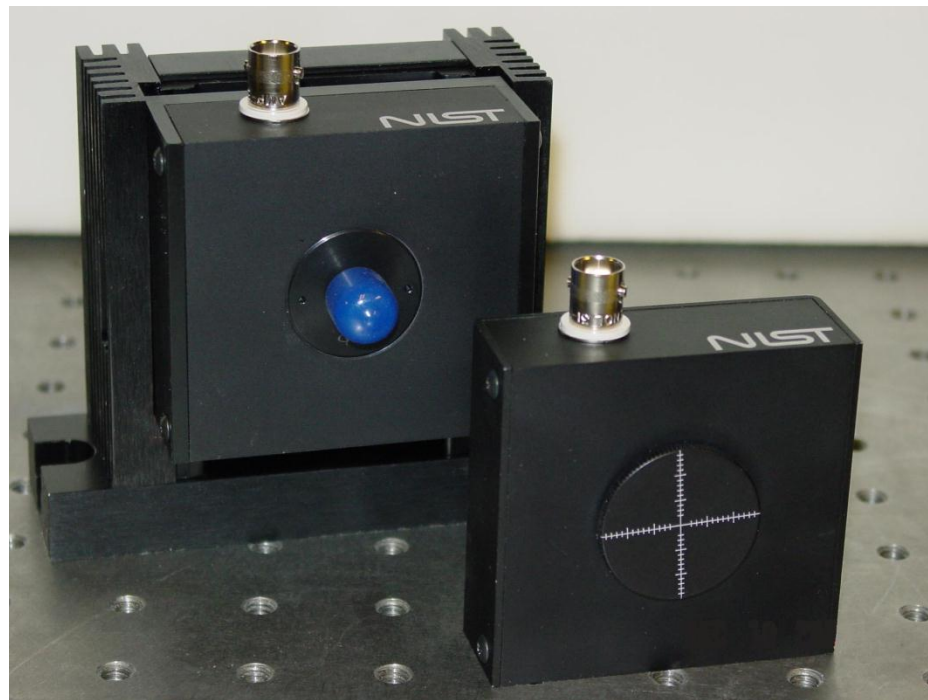
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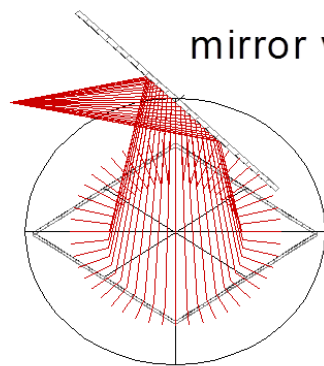
top view



fiber view



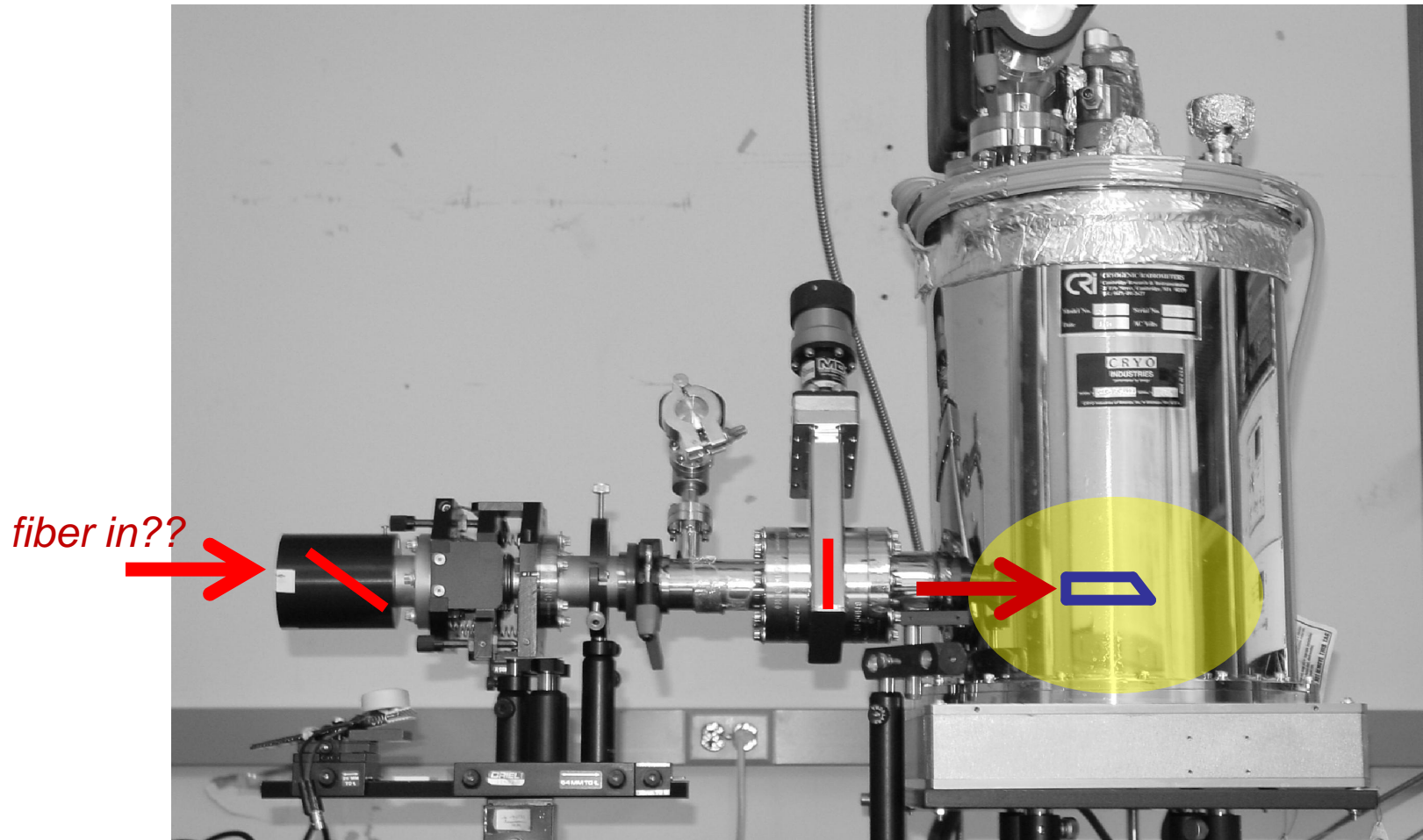
4x Trap detectors



mirror view

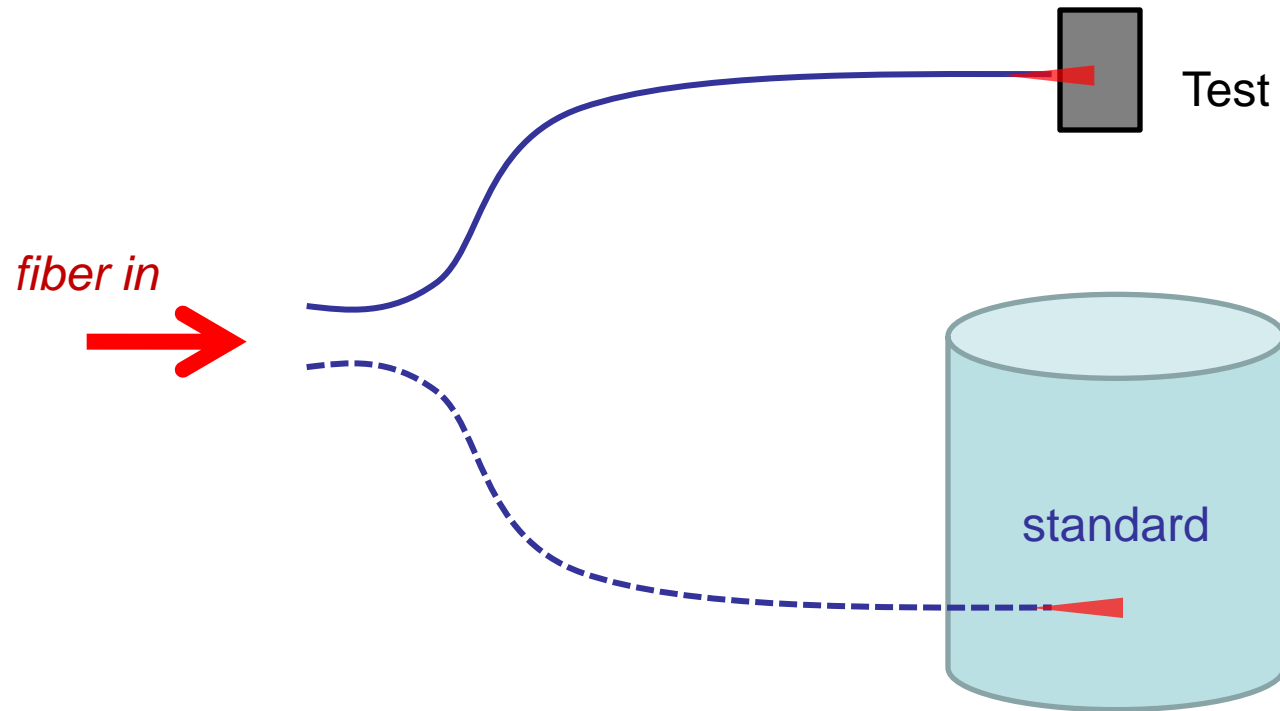


# Cryogenic Radiometer



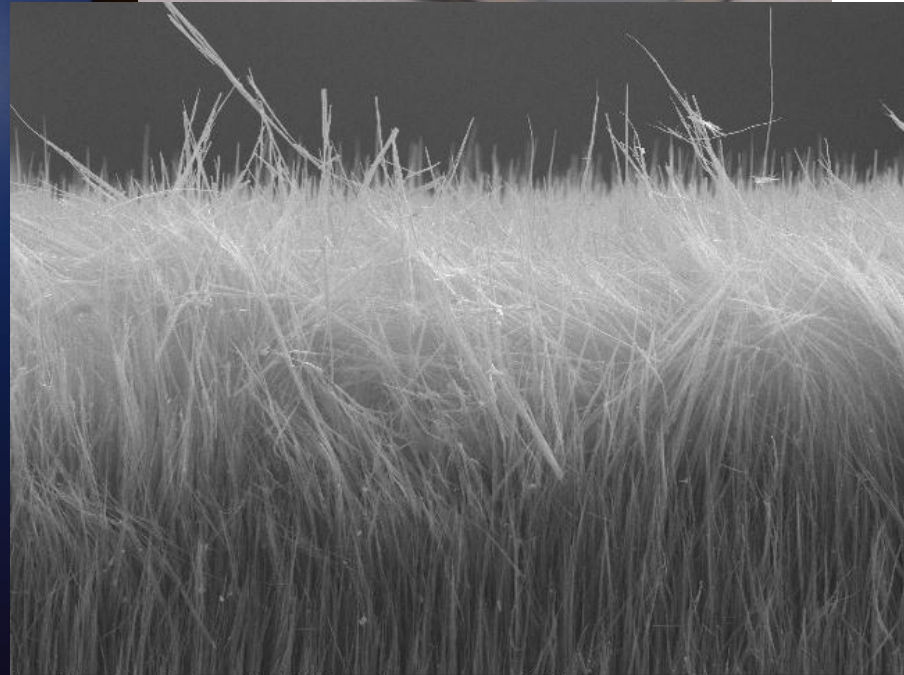
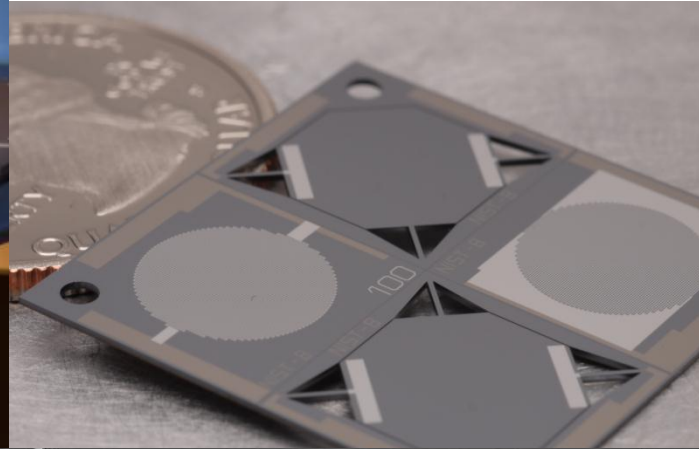
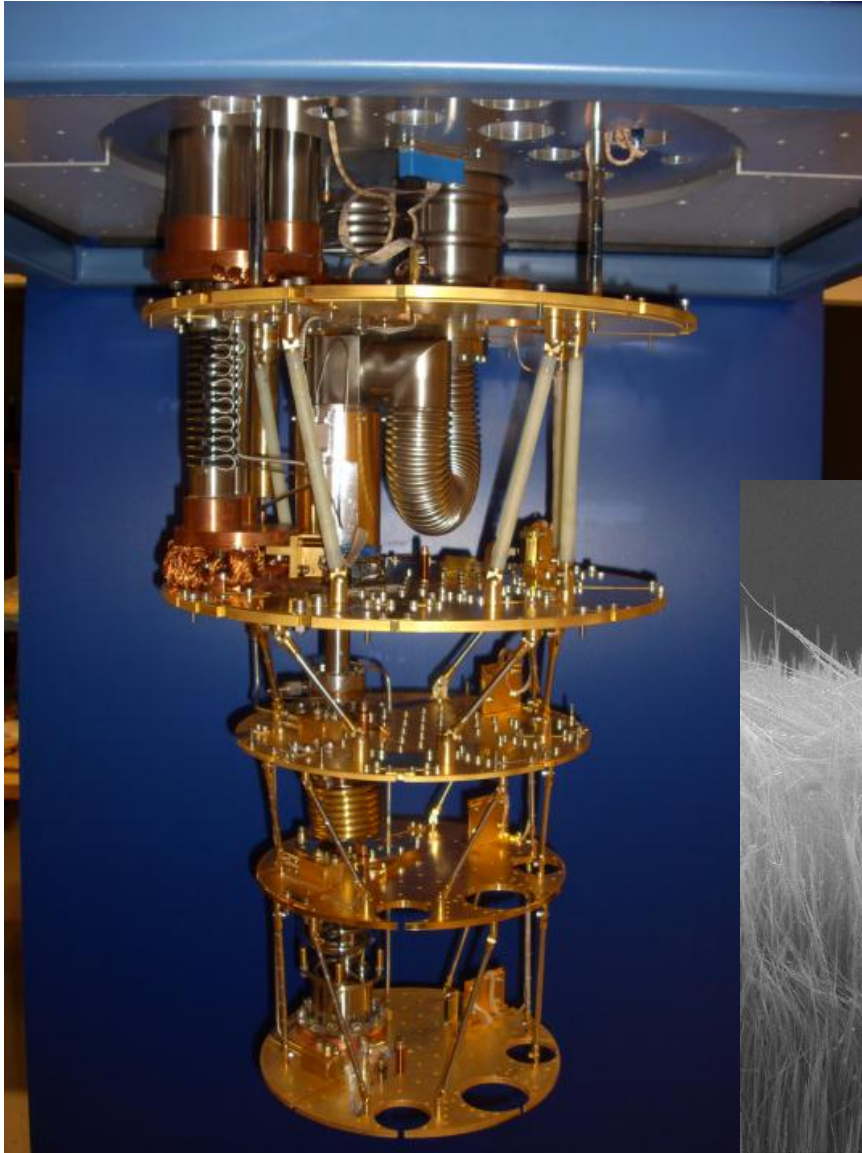


# Ideal scenario



*Goal: all-fiber coupling to test and standard detectors*

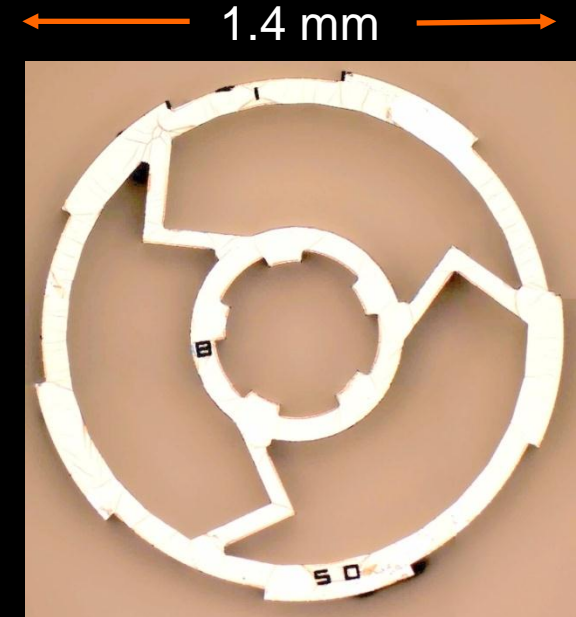
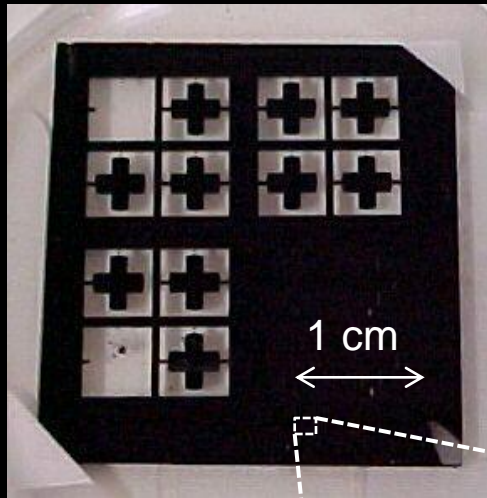
# Dilution fridge, micromachining and carbon nanotubes



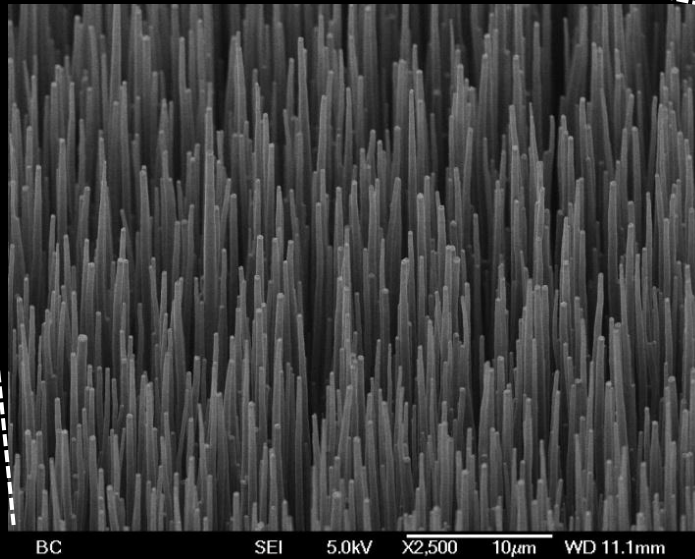
Acc.V Spot Magn Det WD |-----| 20  $\mu$ m  
15.00 kV 3.0 1000x SE 12.6 NIST

# Micromachined components

Deep Reactive Ion Etch (DRIE)



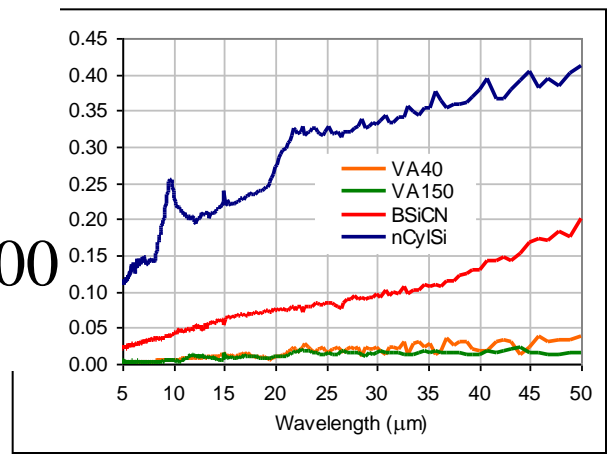
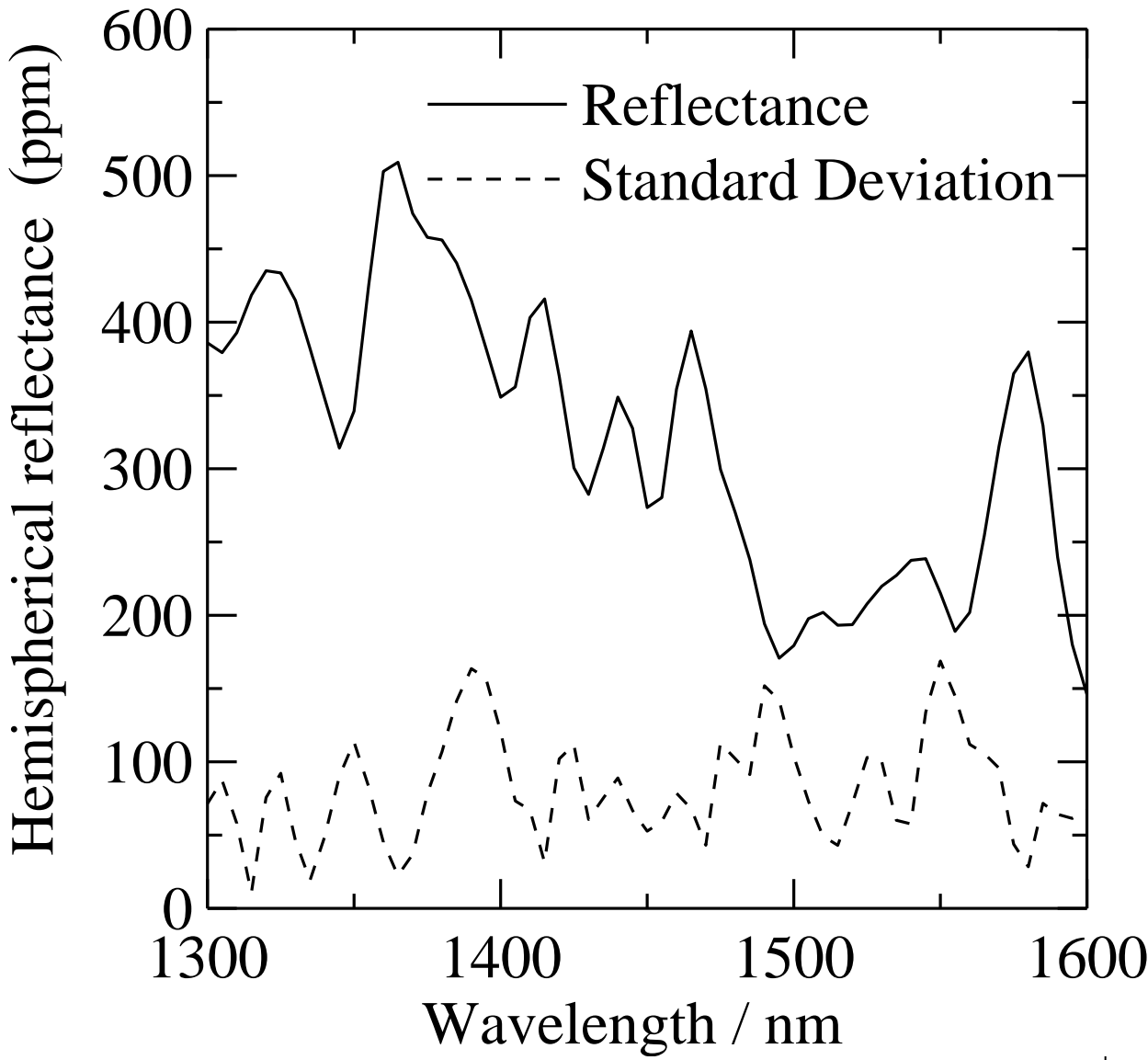
centering ring  
for fiber



cavity ends and witness

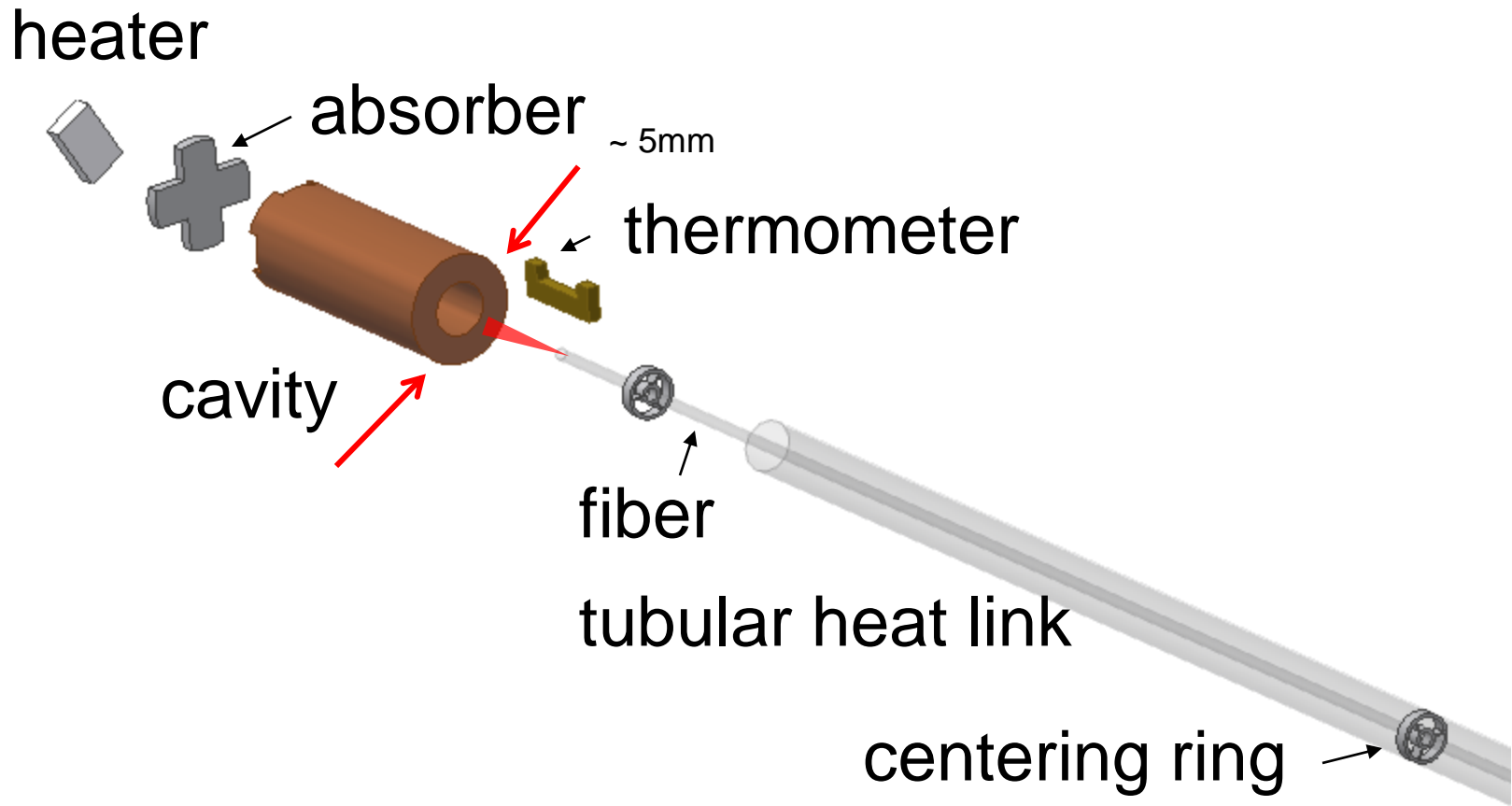
BC SEI 5.0kV X2,500 10µm WD 11.1mm

# Reflectance Results

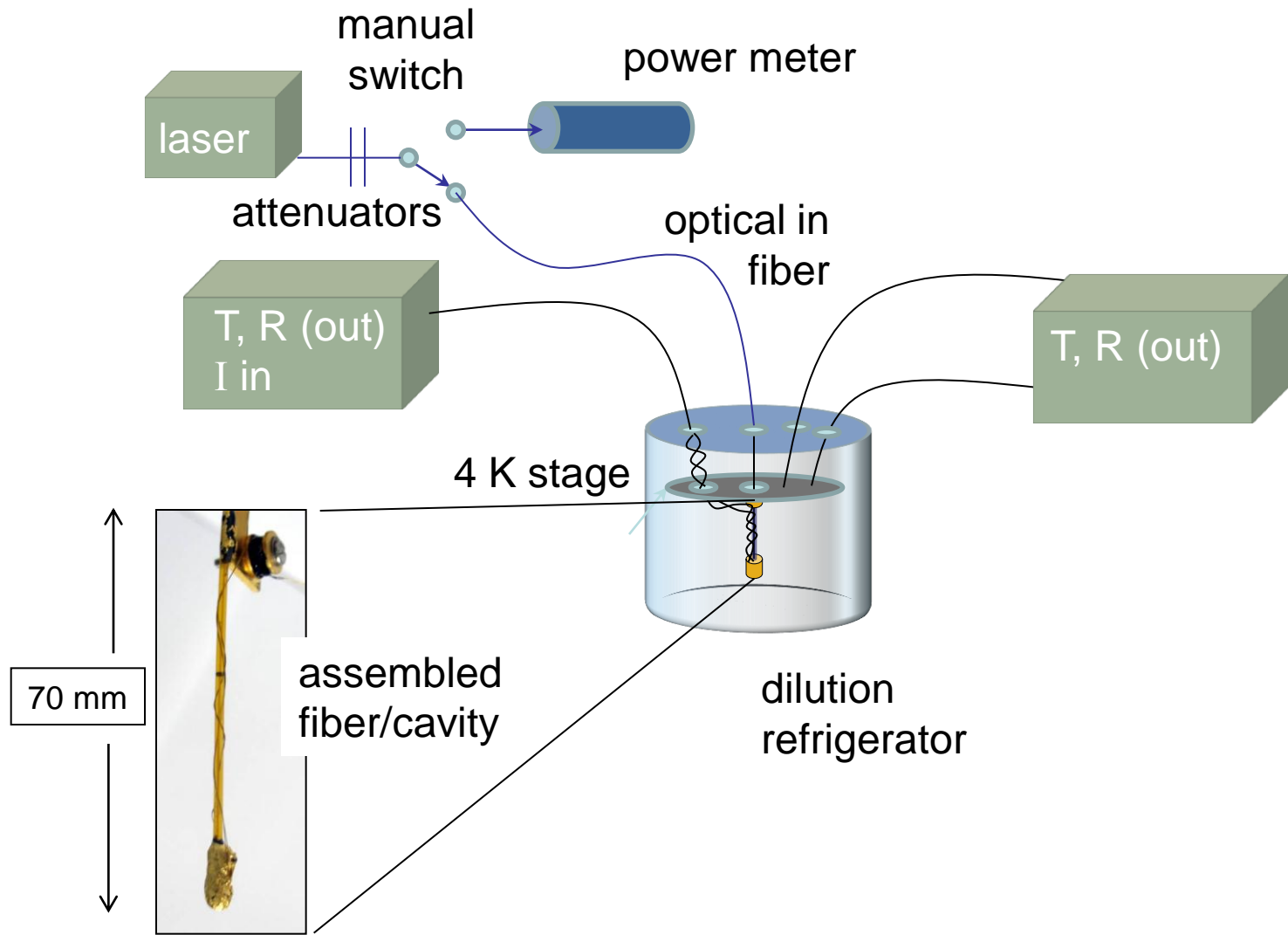


See also OPM\_OR\_001

# Cavity assembly

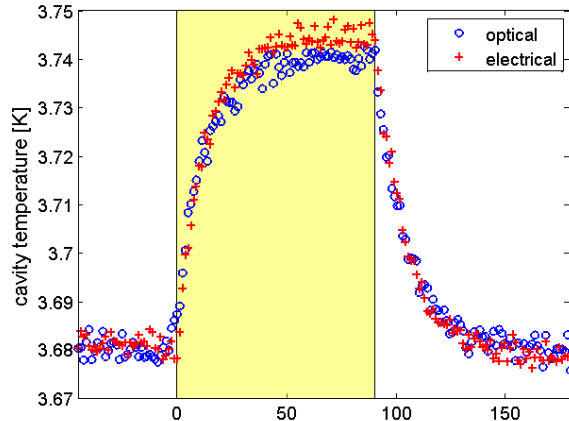


# Measurement setup

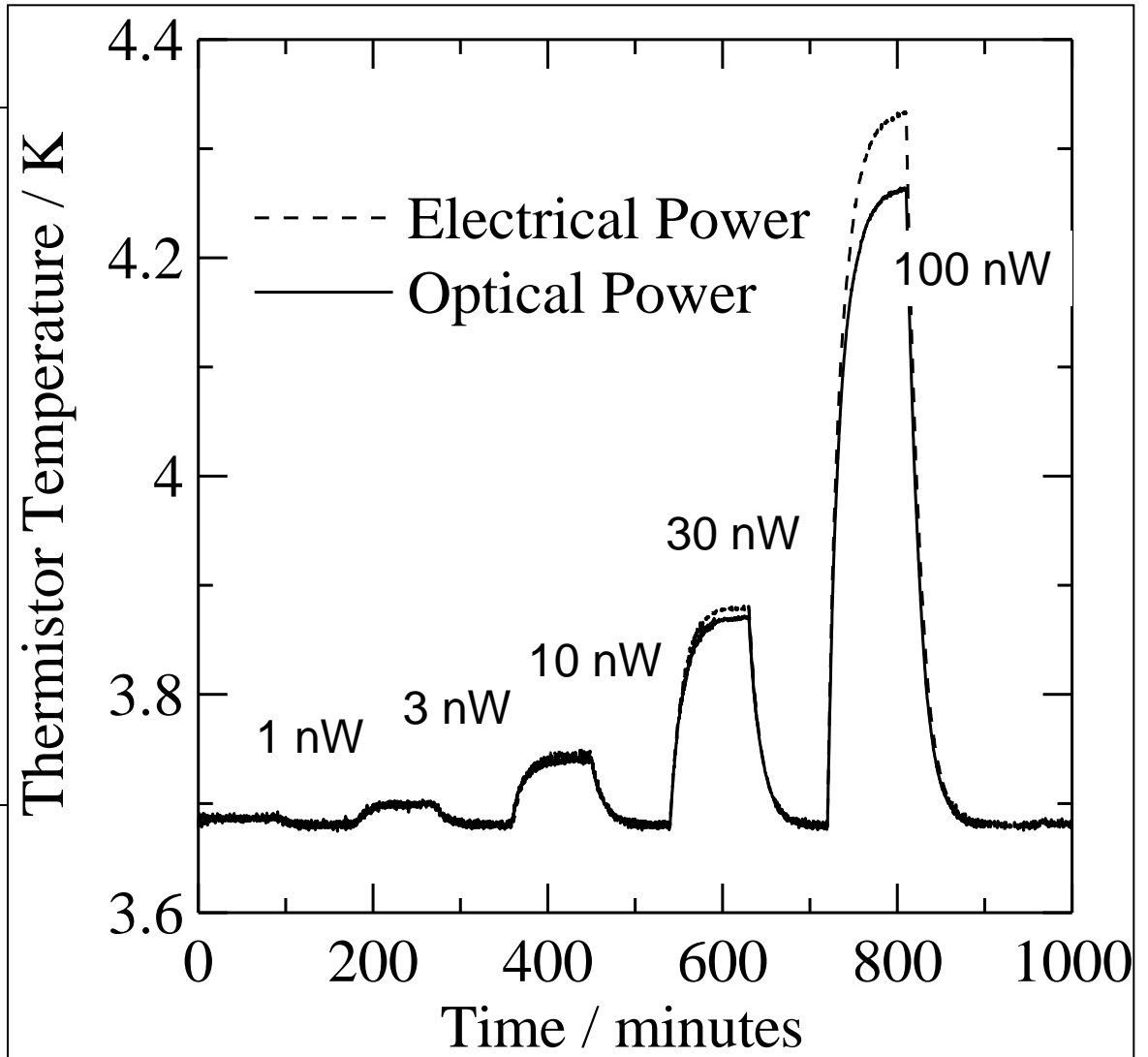


# Results

Example measurement at  $\sim 10$  nW



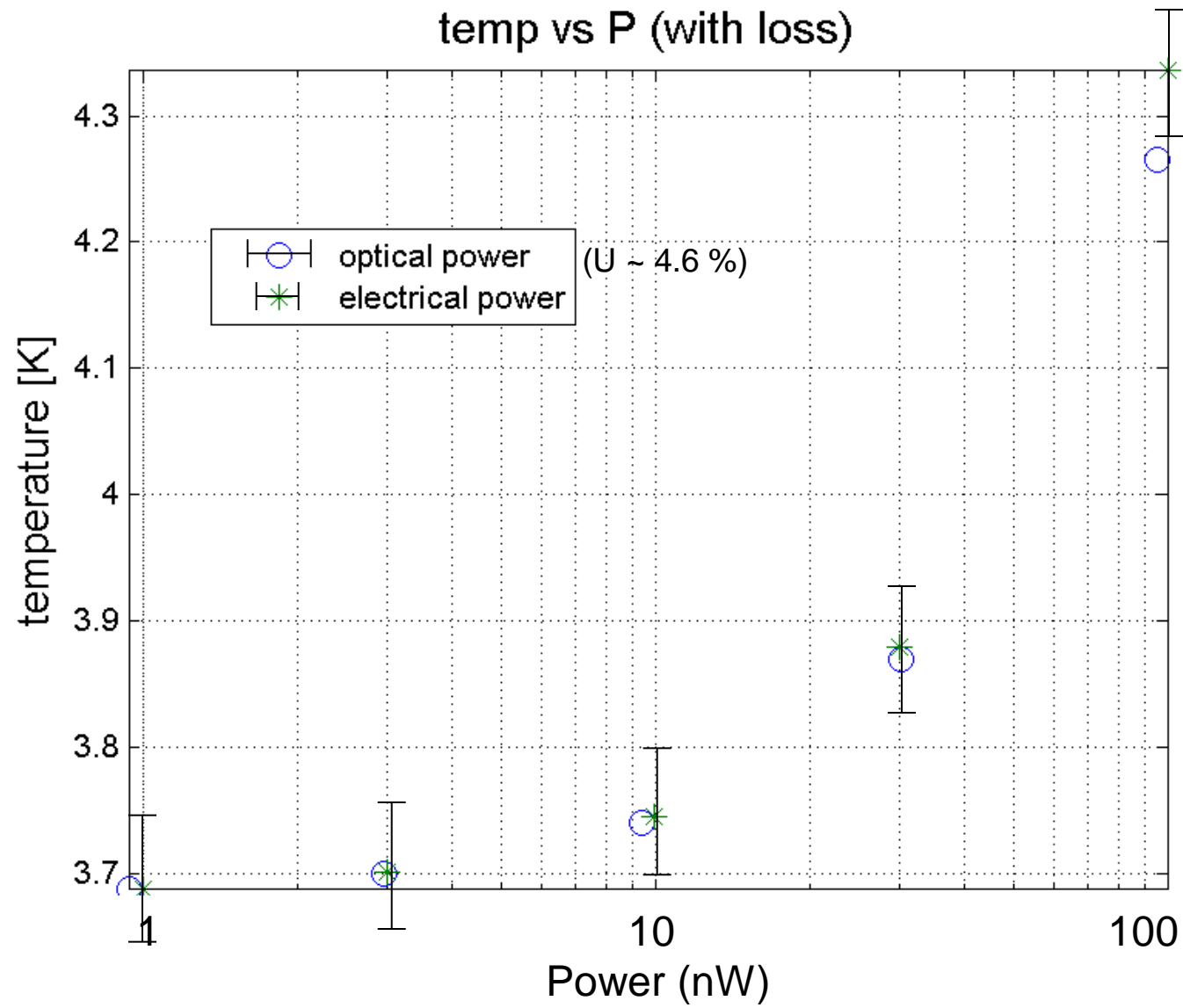
$1/e$  time constant  
 $\sim 12$  minutes



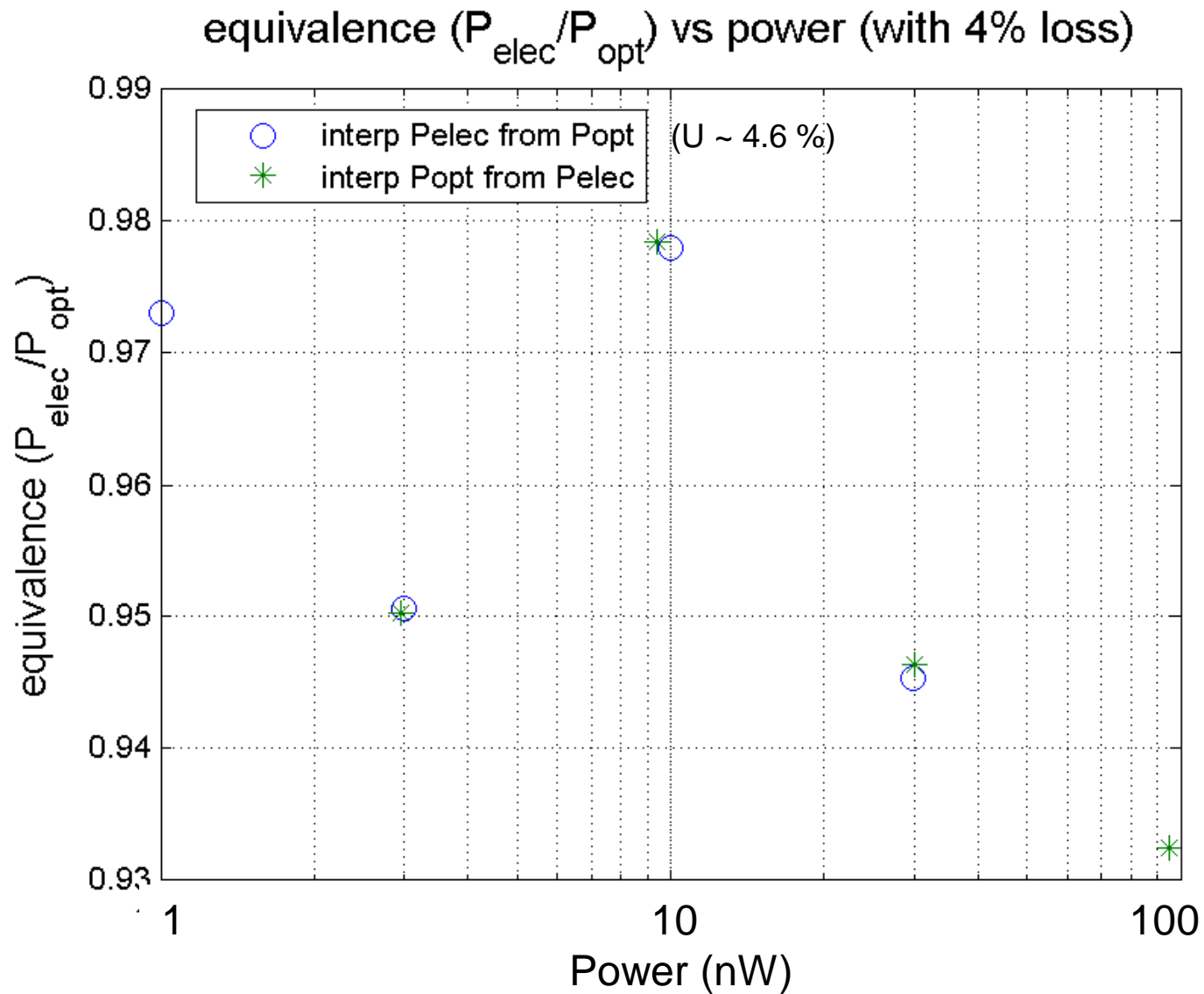
(Values of power shown are nominal)



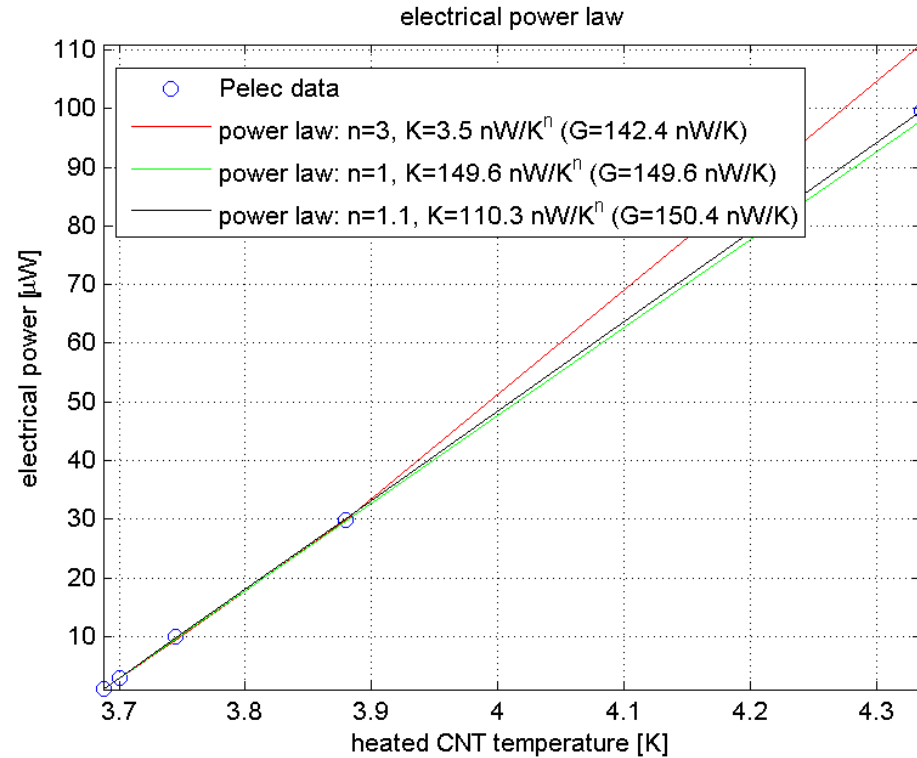
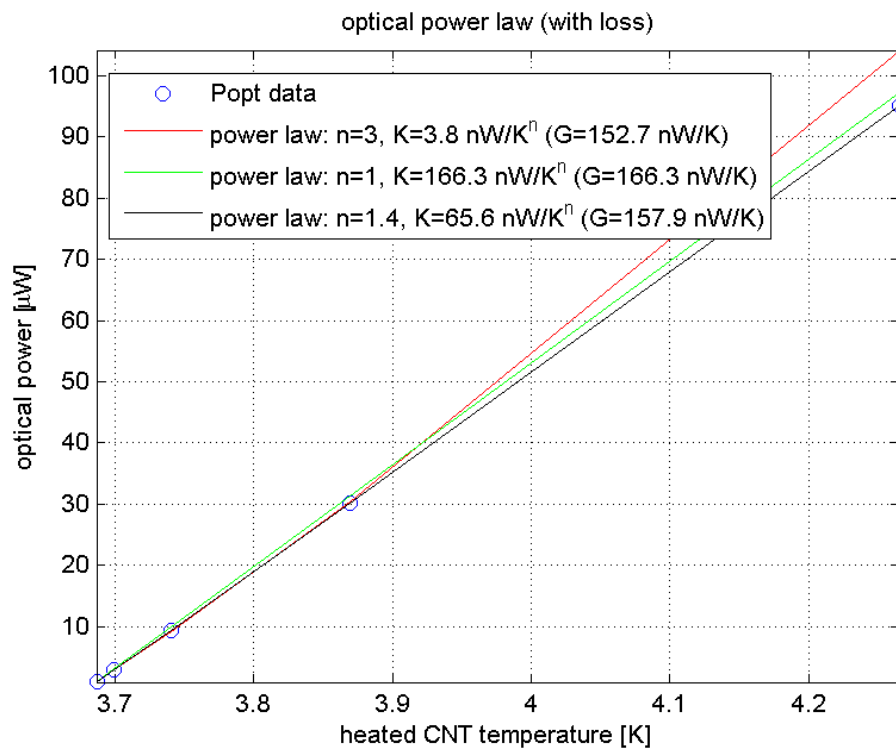
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Power law fits for conductance modes and inequivalence  
 $T^3$  insulator (phonon) - no  
 $T^1$  metal (electron) -yes

# Summary and Future

*Demonstrated first nanoWatt Radiometer for Fiber Measurements*

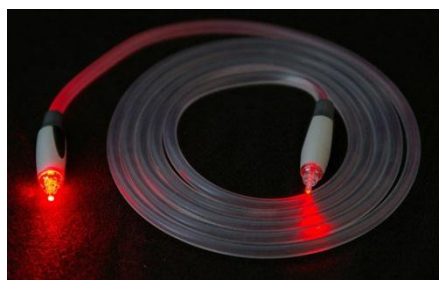
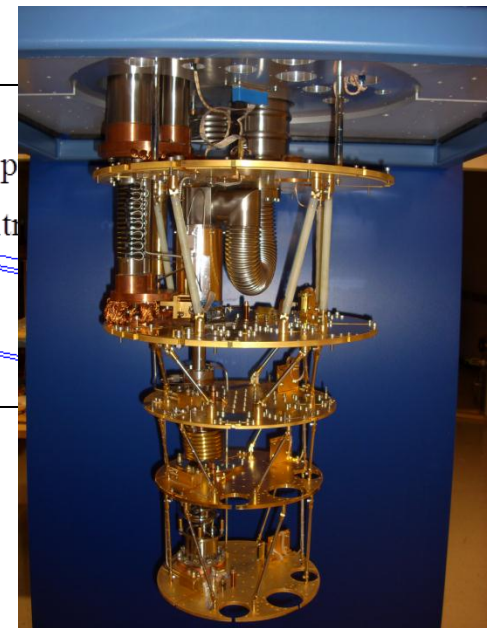
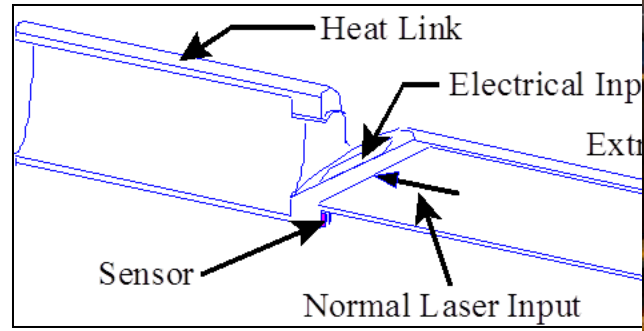
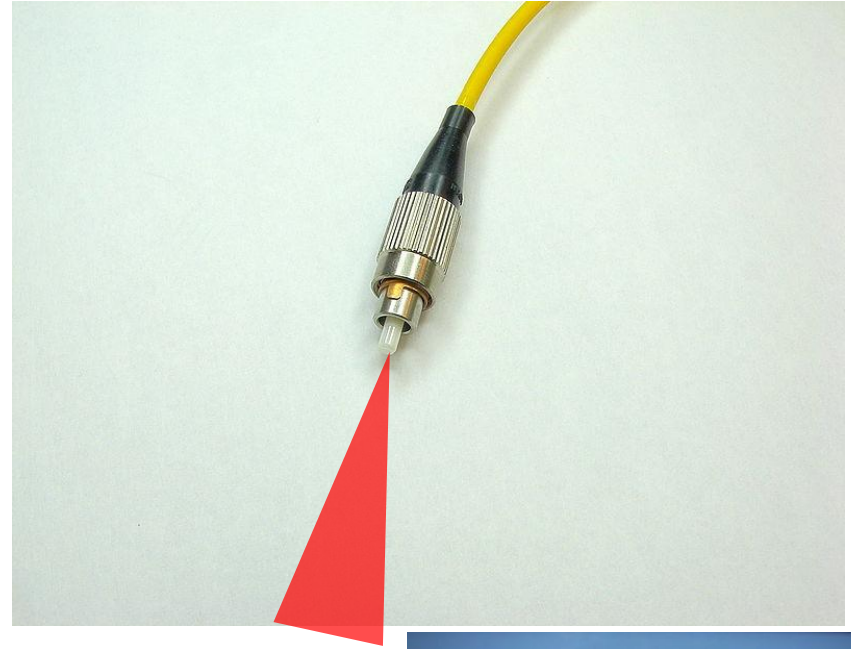
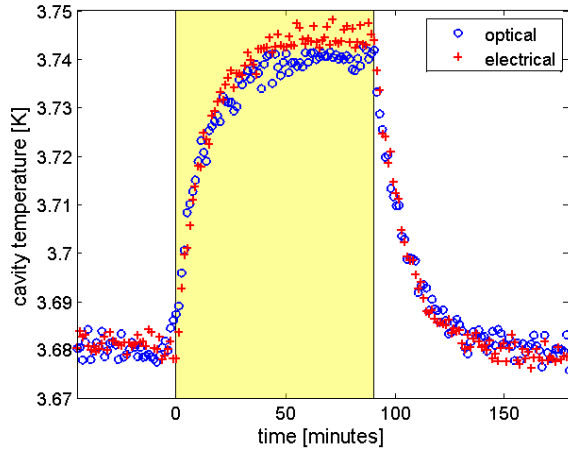
*Micromachining and carbon nanotubes*

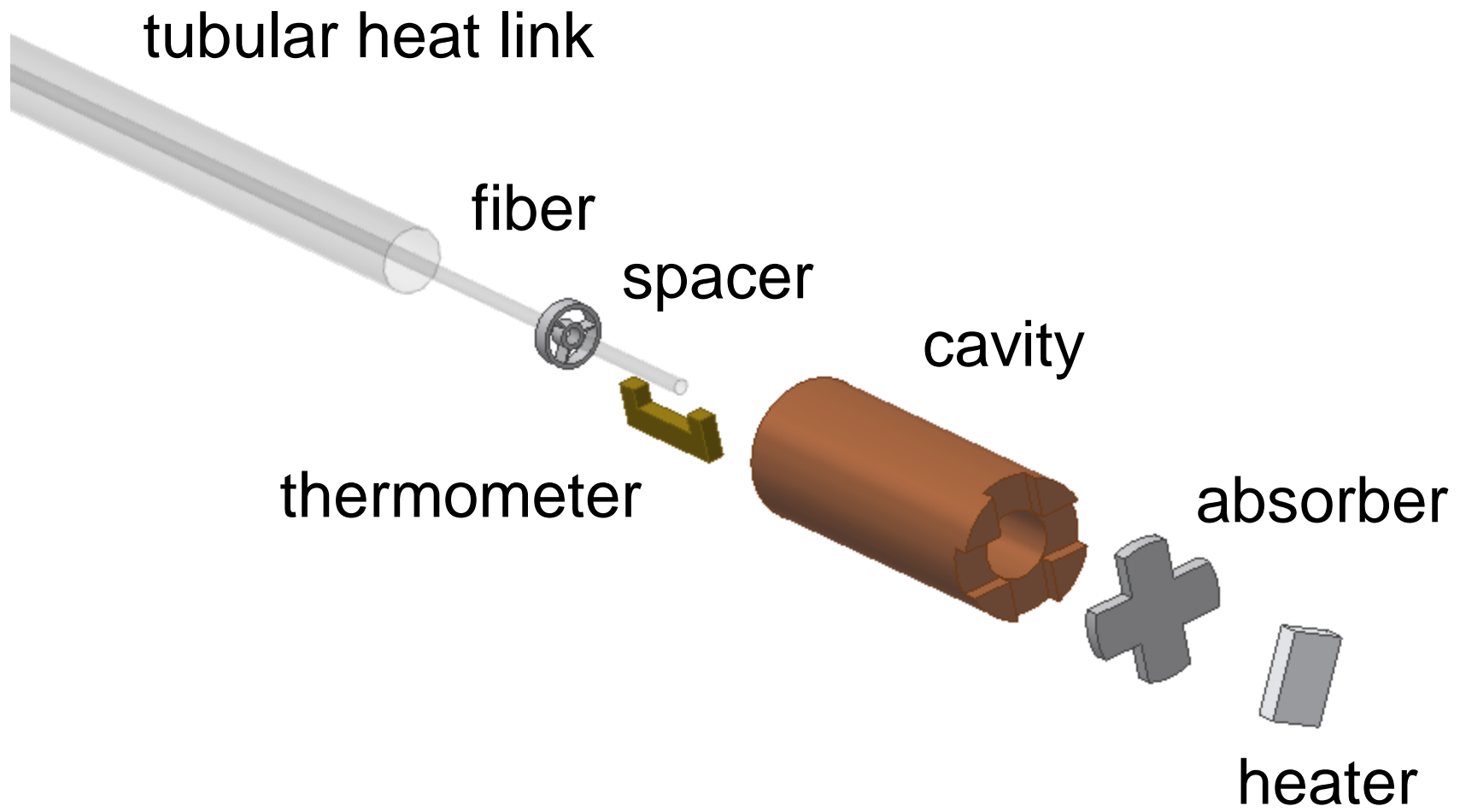
*Electrical is slightly more efficient linear  
(but uncertainties are high)*

*Next iteration, shorter time constant*

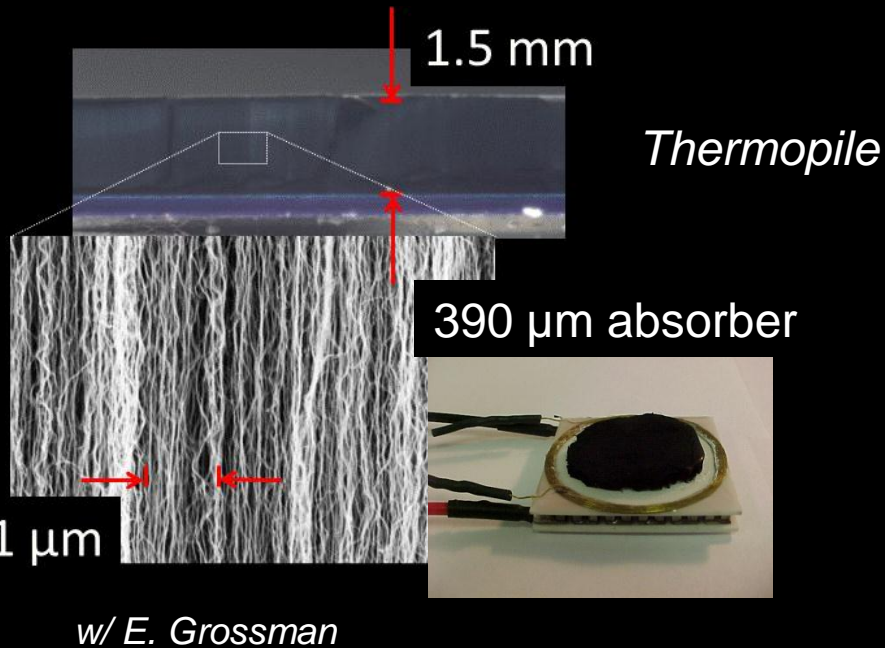
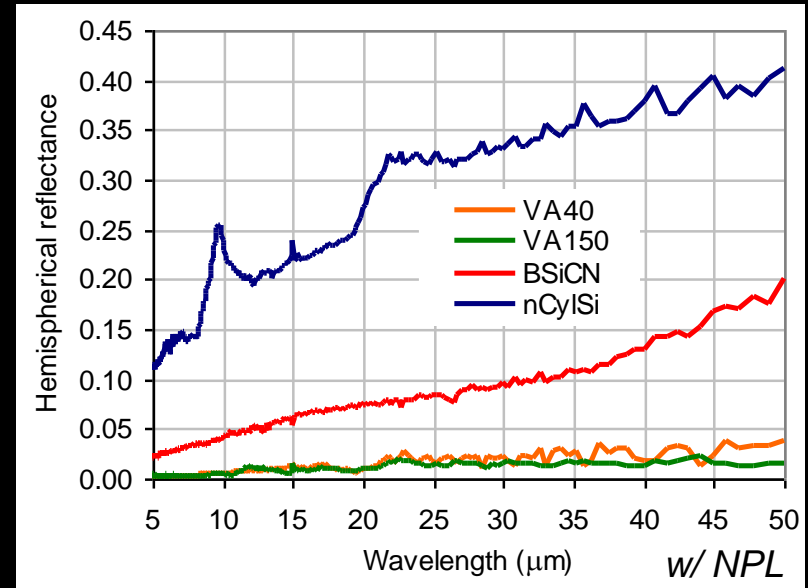
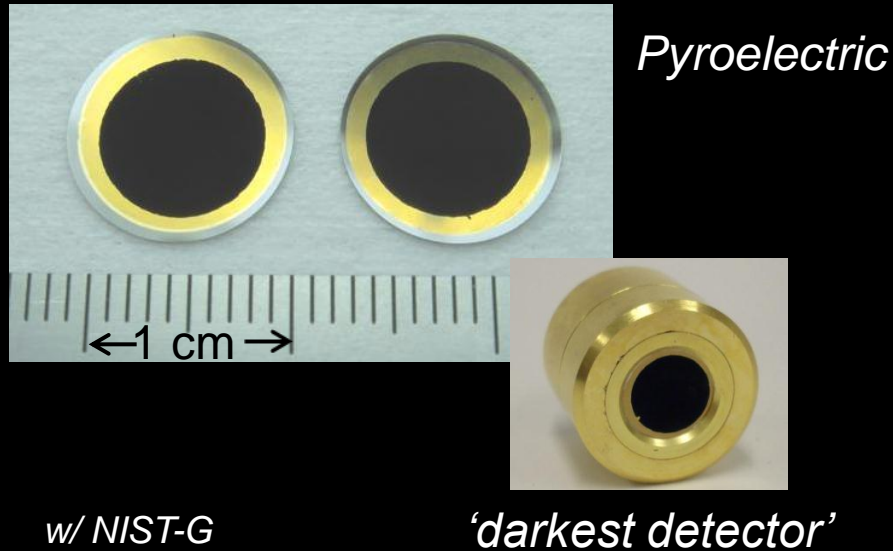
*Reduce inequivalence, evaluate uncertainties, improve optical coupling*

# Results





# CNTs on detectors





# Optical/Electrical Results Summary

Approximate Power (nW)	Optical Power		Electrical Power	
	Responsivity (nW/K)	1/e Time Constant (minutes)	Responsivity (nW/K)	1/e Time Constant (minutes)
1	n/a	n/a	149	12.4
3	154	12.7	149	13.3
10	160	12.1	153	12.9
30	160	13.9	150	13.8
100	164	15	152	15.4

U = 4.55 % (k=2)  
(OFPM type B)

U = 3 % (k=2)  
(thermistor type B)

Measured responsivity and time constant for optical and electrical power injections. (n/a – not available due to bad curve fit. )