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### Takeaways

- Electro-optic polymers are competitively superior and unique...
- We continue to increase our technical progress with reliability and stability...
- With our partners, we are positioned to have polymers scale for optical networking...
- We have the team, resources, and plans in place to make polymers ubiquitous...

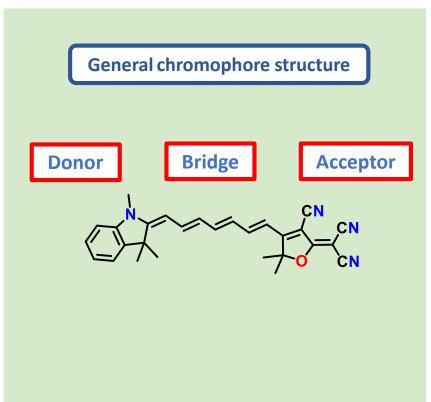
- What we do...and why?
- Market dynamics
- Electro-optic polymers
- Licensing polymers & creating devices/PICs
- Summary





## We create electro-optic organic polymers LIGHTWAVELOGIC®

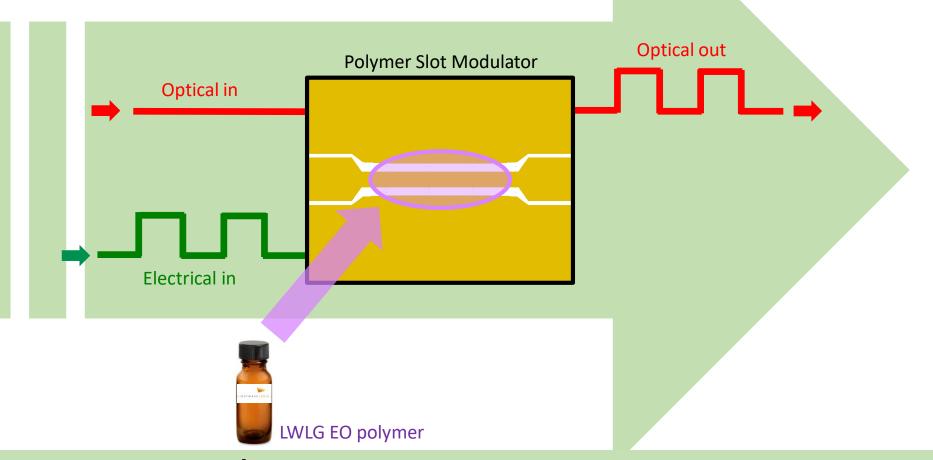








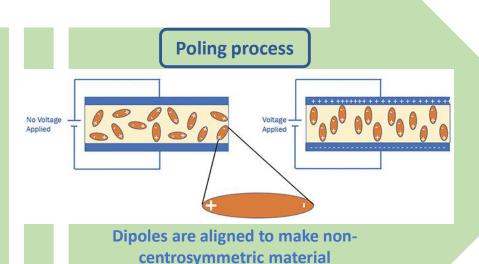




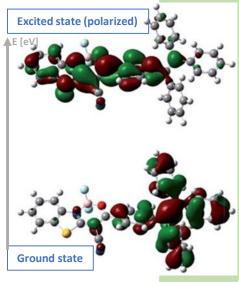
EO polymers → Fast, stable, reliable, low power consumption, and very small in size

## We pole the polymers for optical action

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### Refractive index change



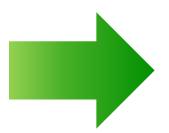
RSC Adv., 7, 1348-1356, 10, 1039/C6RA25871A.

The electric field shifts the electron cloud to the excitedstate molecular orbitals; this alters the refractive index of the electro-optic material, which in turn causes a phase change to any transiting optical signal

### Immediate polymer opportunities

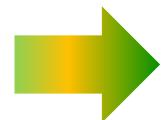
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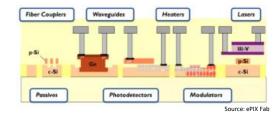
Electro-optic polymer modulators for transceivers suppliers





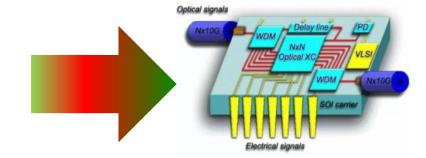
Electro-optic polymer modulators for Silicon Photonic platforms





Electro-optic polymer modulators for "Other"

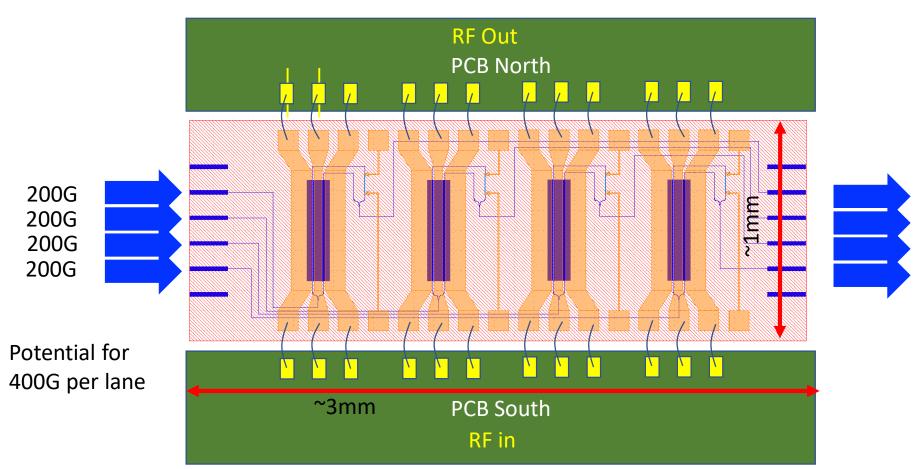
platforms including optical/quantum computing, HPC, and RF applications



#### **Electro-optic polymer engines for fiber optic communications**

### 800G Integrated polymer modulators





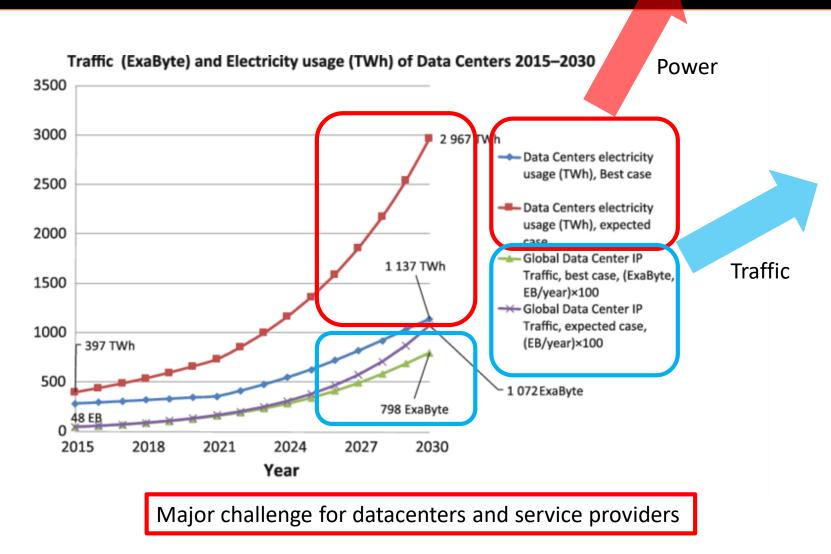
- Optical 4 channel Polymer PIC layout with Mach Zehnder Interferometers (MZI) arrays
- Fiber array to be connected on both East and West side using Edge couplers
- Electrical CPW transmission length ~1mm

4 Channel polymer PIC chip as part of our P<sup>2</sup>IC<sup>™</sup> platform



### Industry Achilles Heel.....





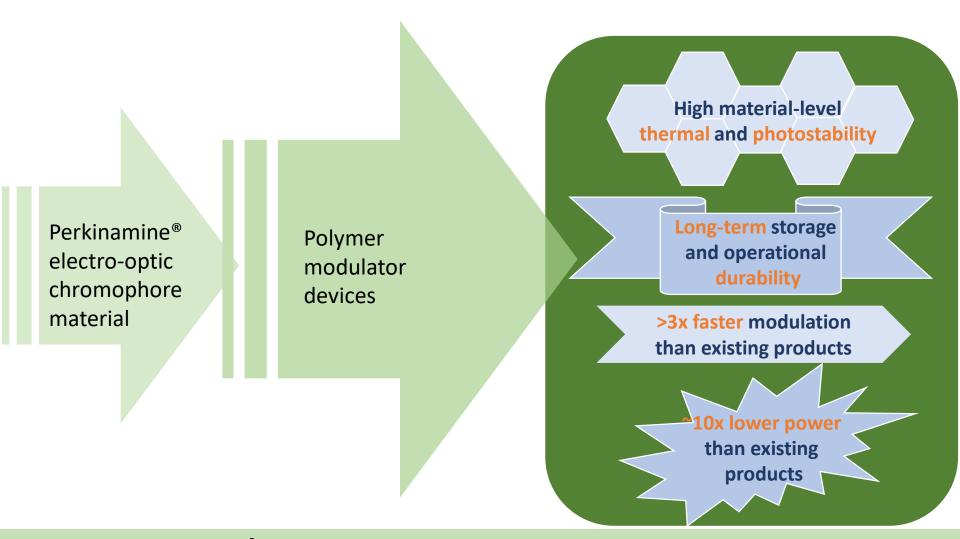
Power is growing exponentially with increased traffic levels...it is the Achilles Heel...

Source: Publication: Walnum, HJ et al NASDAQ: LWLG • 12

## Electro-optic polymers are competitively superior



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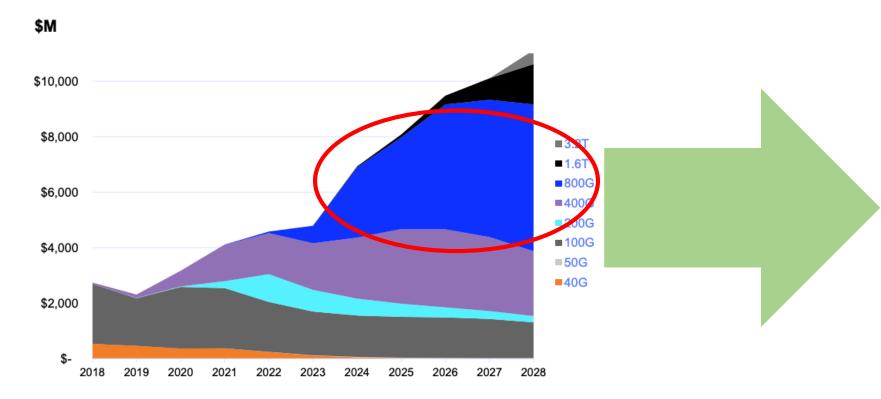
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### As anticipated, G-AI is driving rapid deployment of 800G+ solutions



### DATACOM TRANSCEIVER GLOBAL MARKET



Source: LightCounting, Internal Estimates



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800G is expected to be a huge market in datacom and telelcom

NASDAQ: LWLG • Source: Publication: Walnum, HJ et al

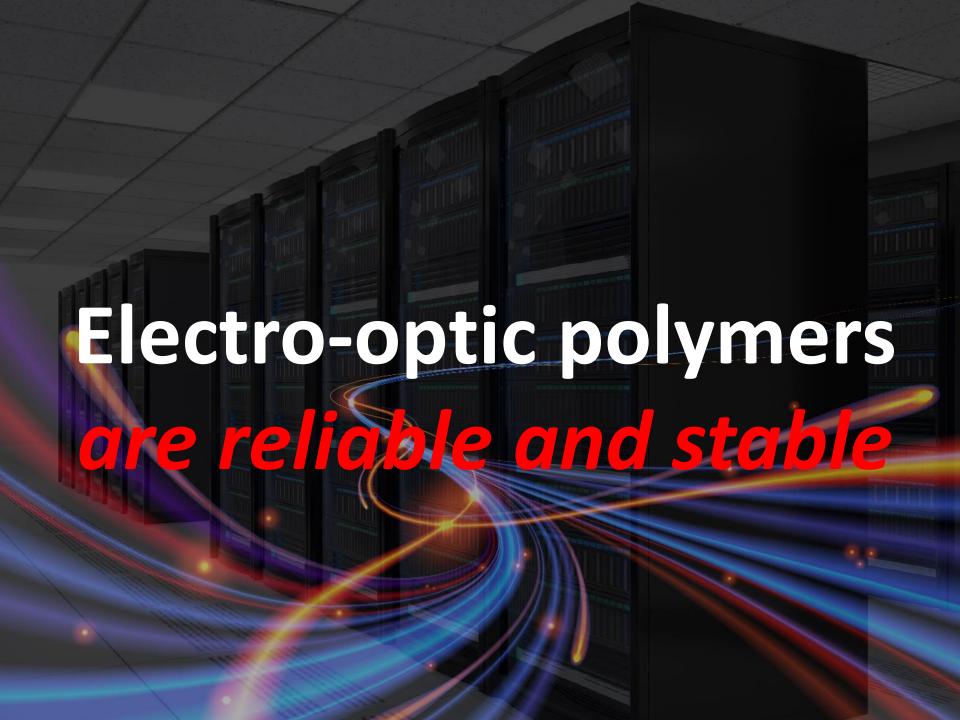
## G-AI market growing quickly...





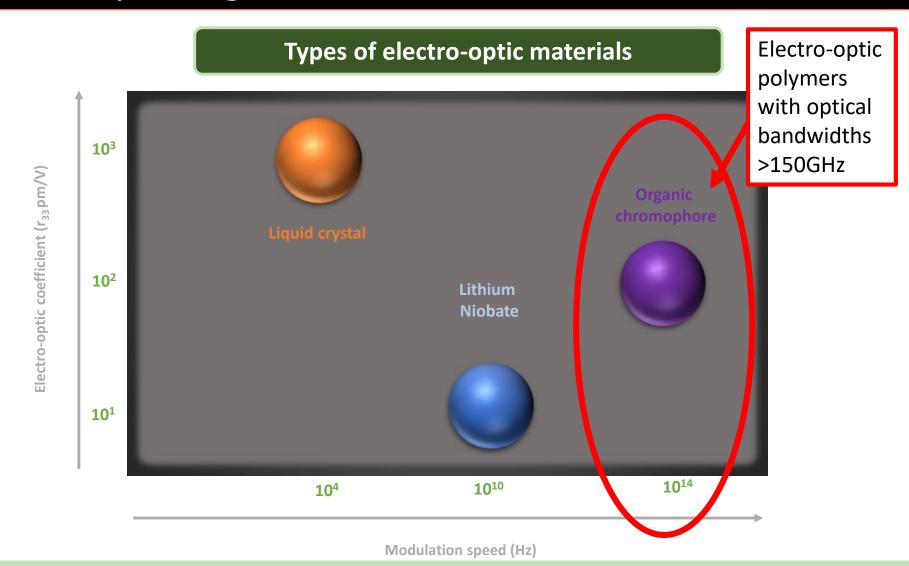
Estimated CAGR for "AI-Transceivers" alone is 44%

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### Electro-optic organic material is fast...

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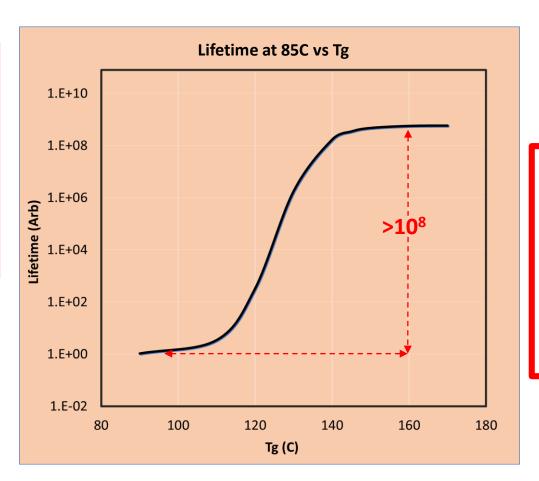
Electro-optic polymers create modulators, and are fast in operation...

# How important is glass transition temperature $(T_p)$ ?



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The thermal lifetime of an EO-polymer material at 85C will increase with increasing Tg



The lifetime at 85°C for a polymer with  $T_g = 160$ °C is >10<sup>8</sup> times greater than

The lifetime for a polymer with  $T_g = 90$ °C

Using the widely quoted Lindsay's time constant formula which is found in *Polymer 48 (2007) 6605-6616*  $\ln(\tau/\tau_P) = E_R(1 + \tanh[(T_c - T)/D])/2RT + E_P/RT$ 

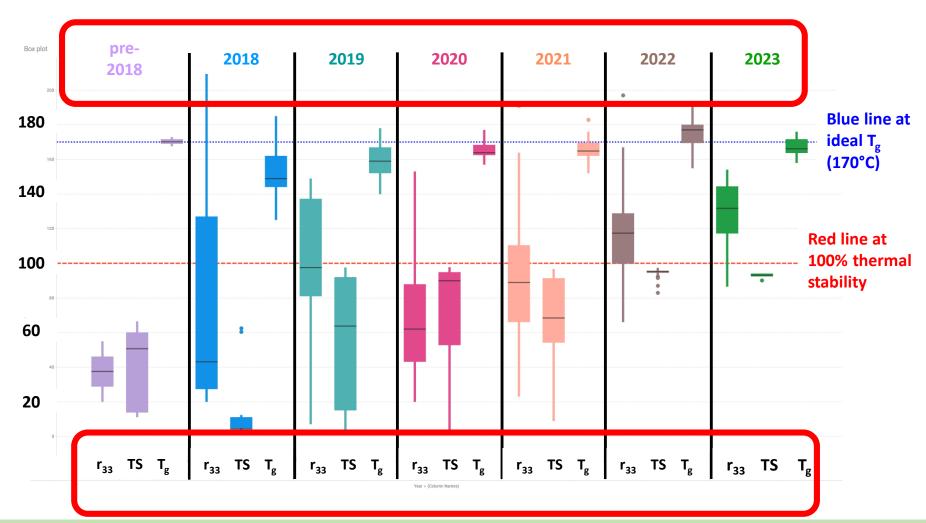
Increasing Tg → means much higher lifetime in electro-optic polymer materials

# How have EO polymers improved over the last 6years?



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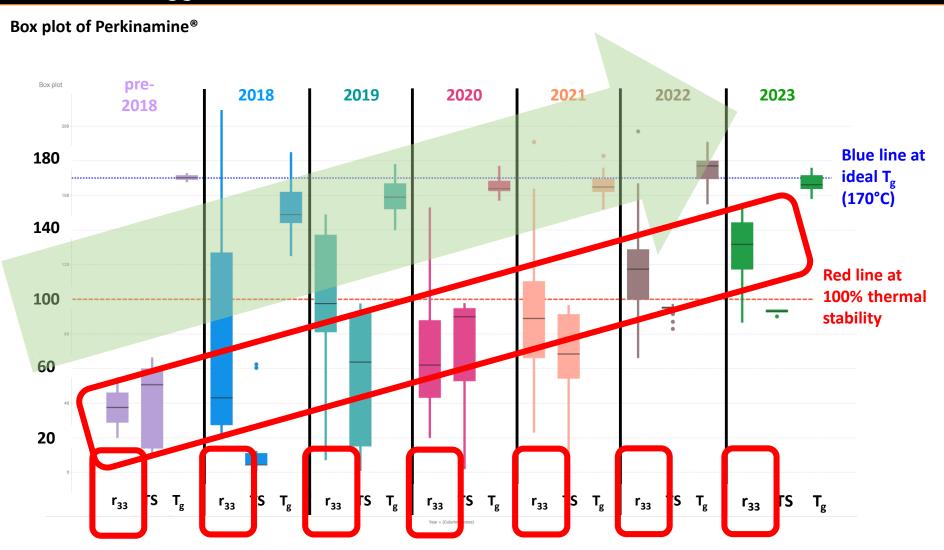
**Box plot of Perkinamine®** 



### Tracking r<sub>33</sub>, thermal stability and glass transition temperature

## Tracking r<sub>33</sub> improvements

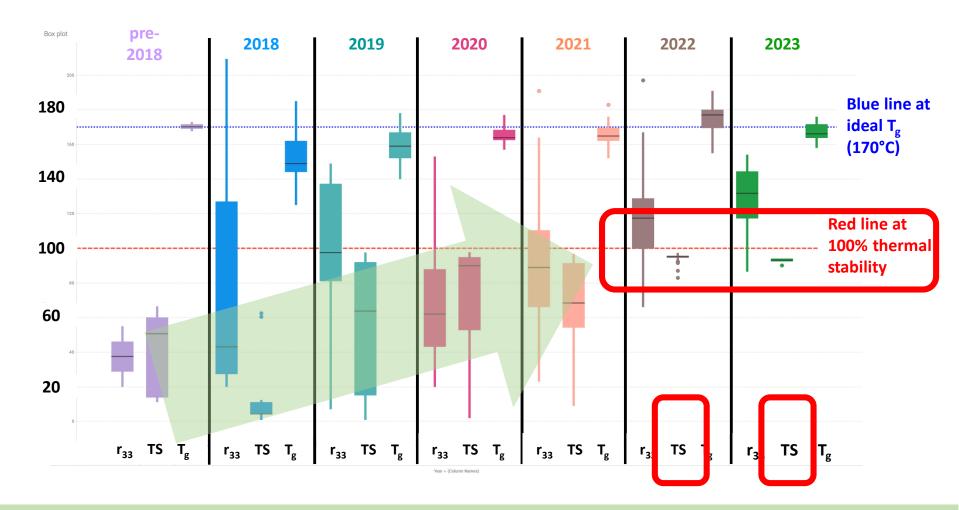
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r<sub>33</sub> improved 5X over past 6 years; and now very stable in testing

## Tracking TS (thermal stability) improvements Tracking TS (thermal stability)

**Box plot of Perkinamine®** 



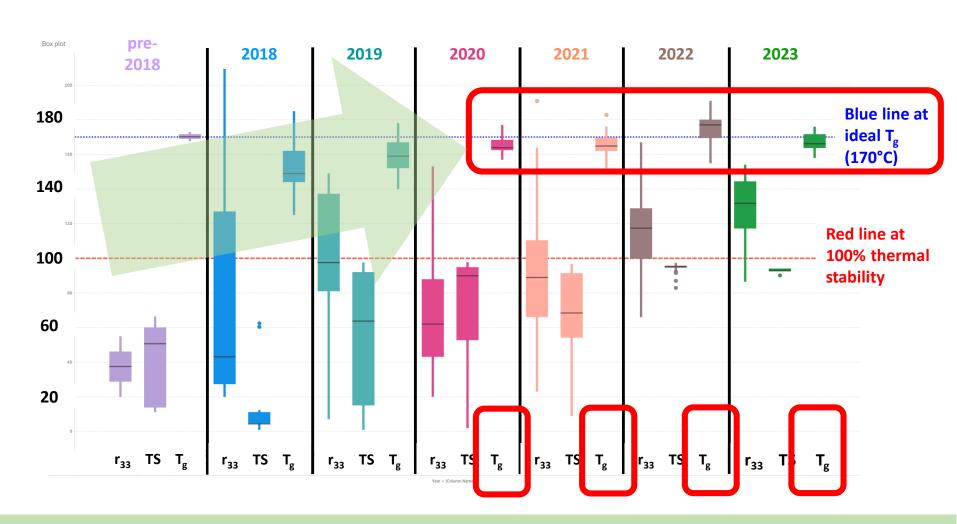
Super performance of material thermal stability in last 2 years (approaching 100%)

# Tracking glass transition temperature (T<sub>g</sub>)



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**Box plot of Perkinamine®** 



Tight control of materials with extremely high  $T_{\!g}$  at 170C

## Creating world class electrooptic polymers



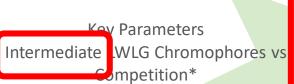
### Balance of key parameters

- EO activity r<sub>33</sub> (pm/V)
- Drive voltage (V<sub>π</sub>)
- Photostability (PS)
- Thermal stability (TS)
- Glass transition temperature (T<sub>g</sub>)

Absorbance

Vπ

Optical absorbance

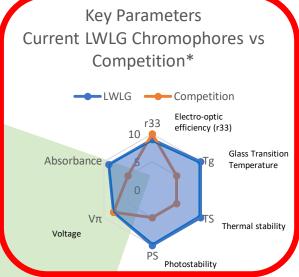




Tg

TS

PS



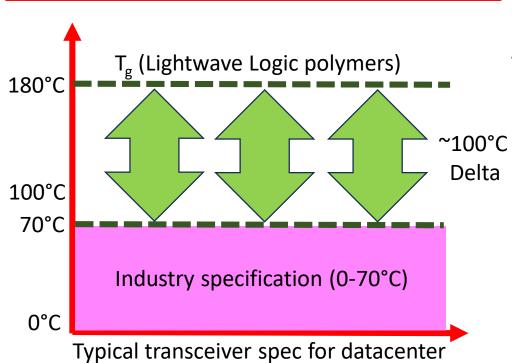
Steady increase in overall electro-optic material performance

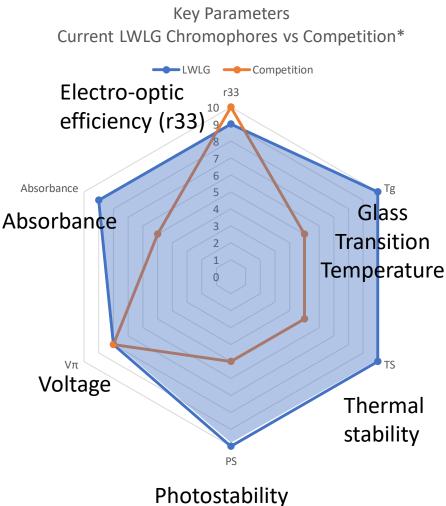
## Optimized for reliability and stability

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### World class chromophore design

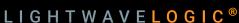
- Very high glass transition temperature (T<sub>p</sub>)
- ~100°C delta between industry spec and T<sub>g</sub>
- Eliminates need for cross-linking
- Protects material from de-poling (occurs when T<sub>g</sub> is close to industry specification high limit)

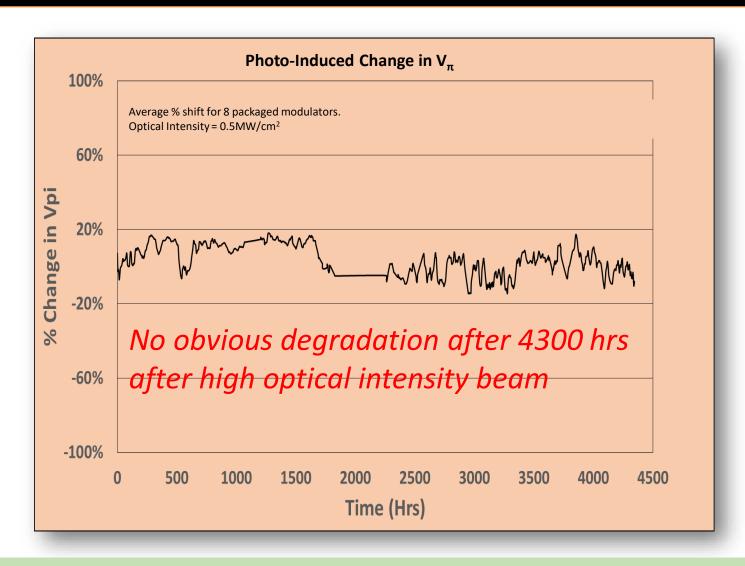




Electro-optic material designed for reliability, stability, and overall operational performance





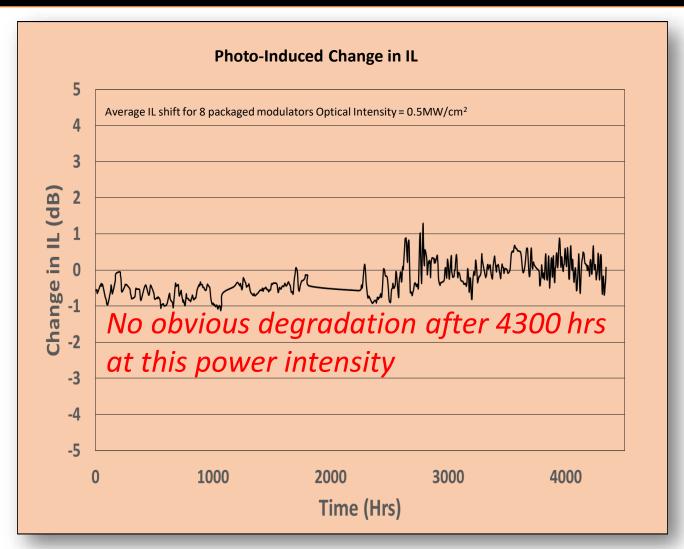


Photostability is **NOT** an issue with Lightwave Logic electro-optic chromophores

# Photostability (PS) against change in optical loss



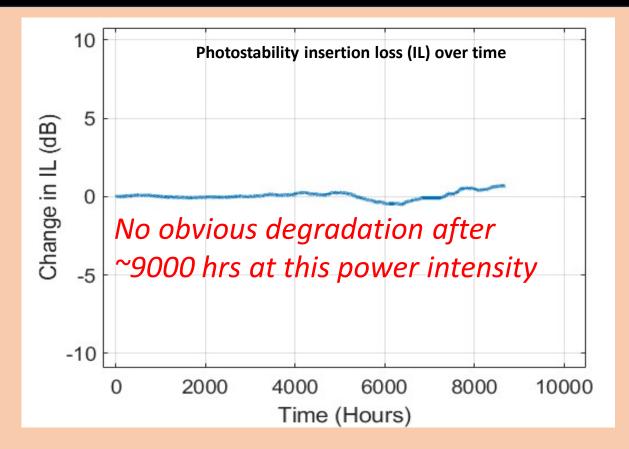
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### Long-term photostability





~9000 hrs test; wavelength=1550 nm; optical intensity = 500 kW/cm<sup>2</sup>

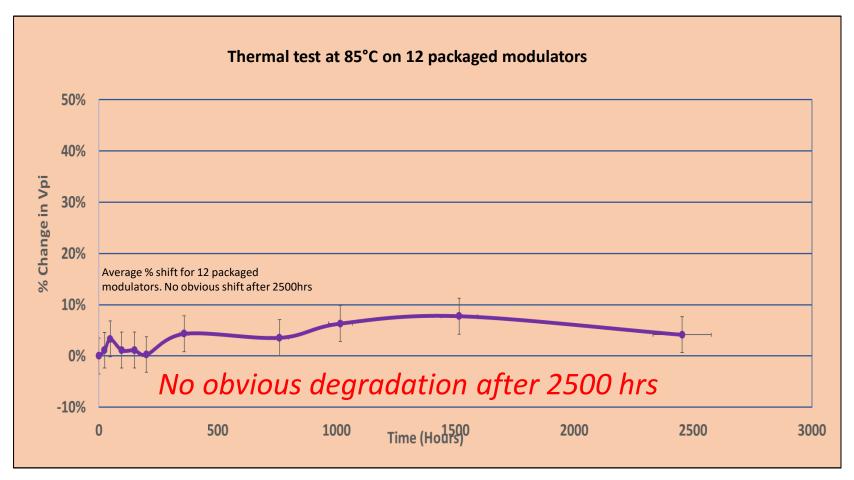
Minimum photodegradation (indicated by reduction in IL due to bleaching of chromophore)

Observed shift is within measurement error

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# Device thermal stability (TS) against change in voltage



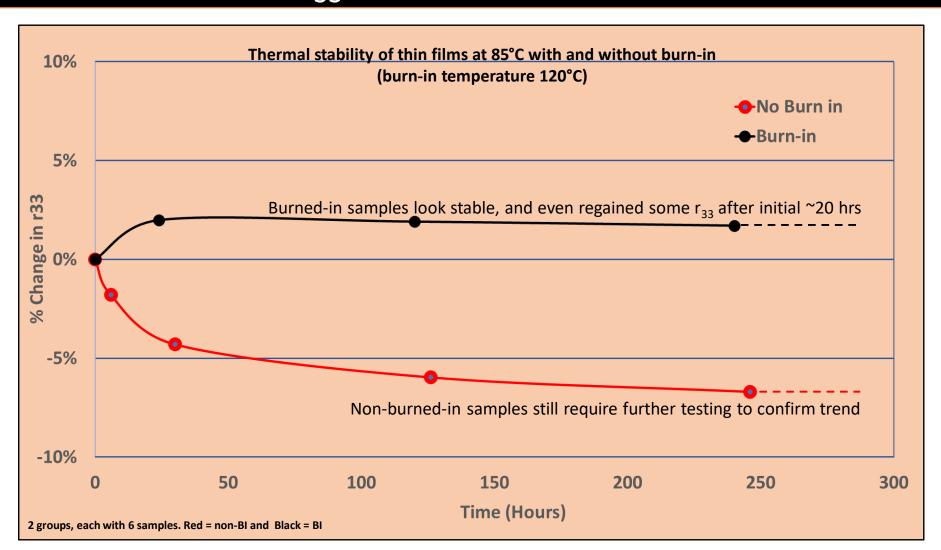


The 12 parts continue to show fluctiations and variations in the  $V_{\pi}$  readings, but there is no obvious trend.

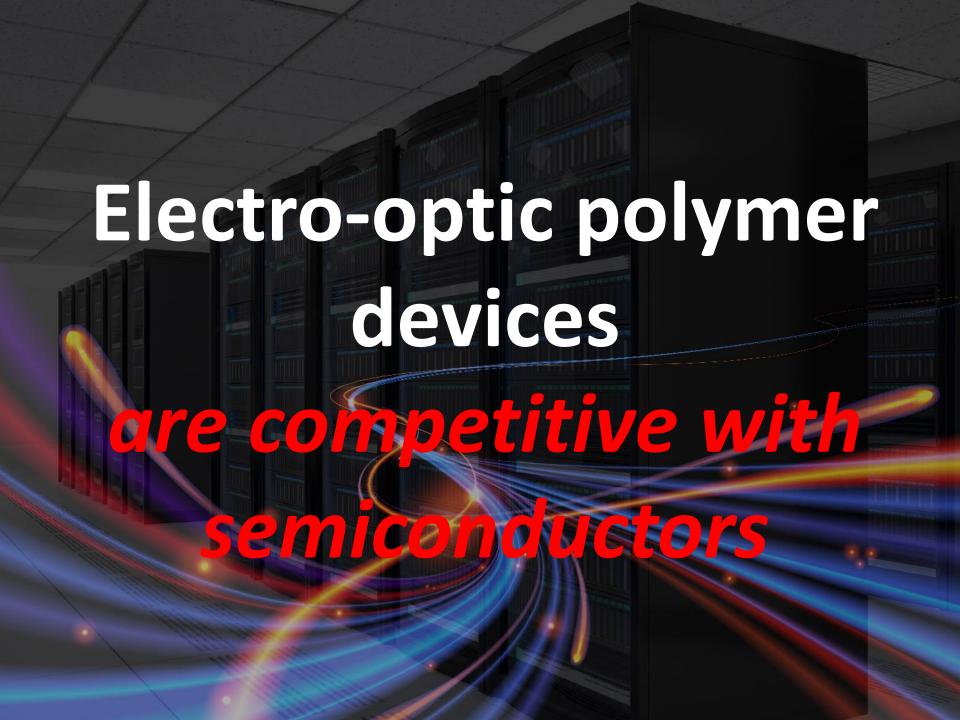
# Thermal Stability with and without burn-in against change in r<sub>33</sub>



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Burn-in stabilizes r<sub>33</sub> of Lightwave Logic thin film electro-optic chromophores



### Competitive polymer positioning

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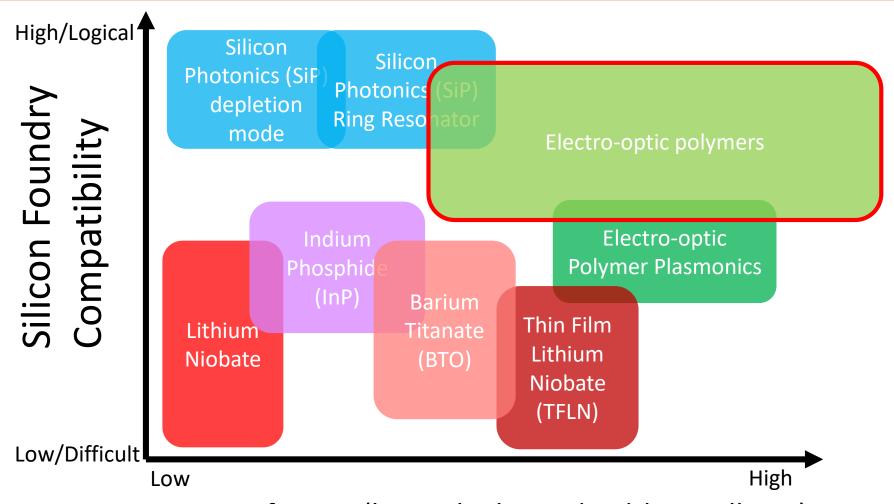


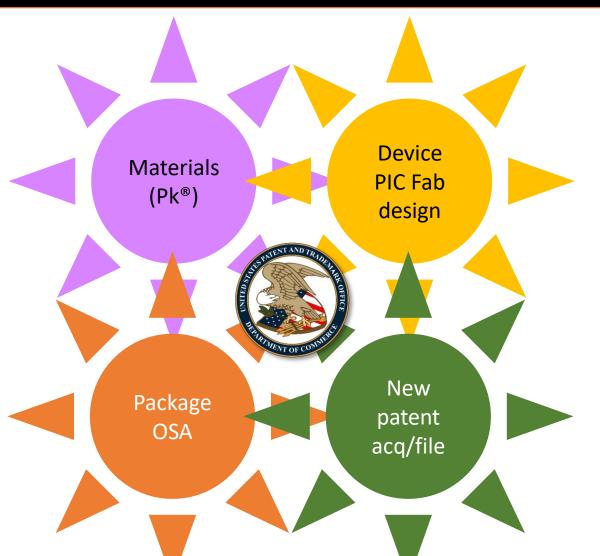
Figure of Merit (low V, high Bandwidth, small size)

Polymer modulators outperform competitive semiconductor technologies

# Licensing polymer materials & producing polymer modulator devices/PICs

### Patents drive licensing opportunities...

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- We develop and *license* polymer-based
   technologies that are
   engines for the internet,
   optical networking,
   datacenters
  - Our patent IP portfolio creates a strong moat and know-how to carve leadership in high speed, low power modulators
- Unique polymers that we design and create continually strengthen our patent moat to over 70 patents issued and pending

IP portfolio enables licensing & tech transfer for long term revenue generation

# We are open to polymer material licensing...



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Technology

Chromophore and polymer matrix IP

Devices & PIC architecture IP

Fabrication & processing

High speed package & assembly design IP

3 prong strategy

Product sales (PICs)

Patent licensing (very active)

Technology transfer (PIC design) Revenues

License & Royalty fees

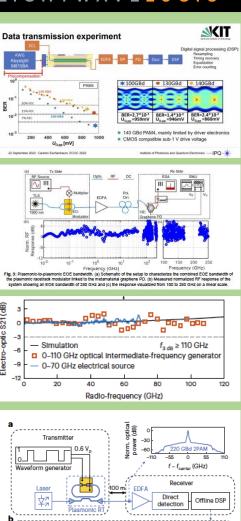
Device and PIC chip/OSA sales

Technology transfer license/royalty fees

Our polymers fit into several modulator device designs – ring, plasmonic, slot, stack etc.



- *EO polymer* used in different device designs
- Silicon slot, plasmonic slot, plasmonic ring resonator
- All produced world class results\*
- Presentations at *industry* conferences





# Summary...EO polymers enable modulators for next generation optical networking



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Material Science

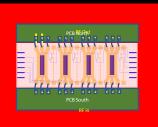
Polymer PIC design

High speed device design & packaging

Powerful patent portfolio

Huge \$B markets



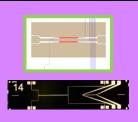








Selling components



Licensing polymer materials



Partnering foundries (for scale)



Material & device data sheets



World class BoD, TAB & IR/PR



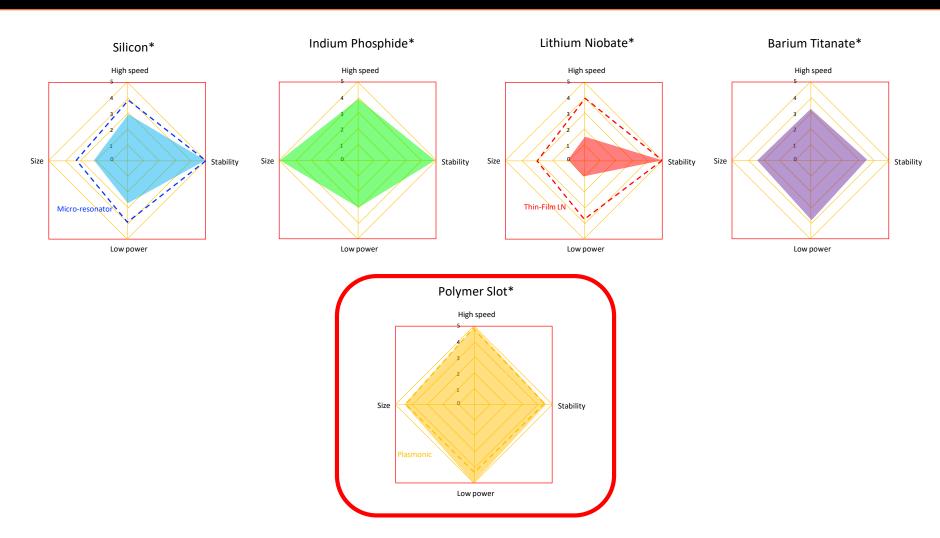
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### Polymer attributes are impressive...





Technology spider chart → polymers have strong coverage → excellent performance