

Polychromatic light for circadian support and visual comfort

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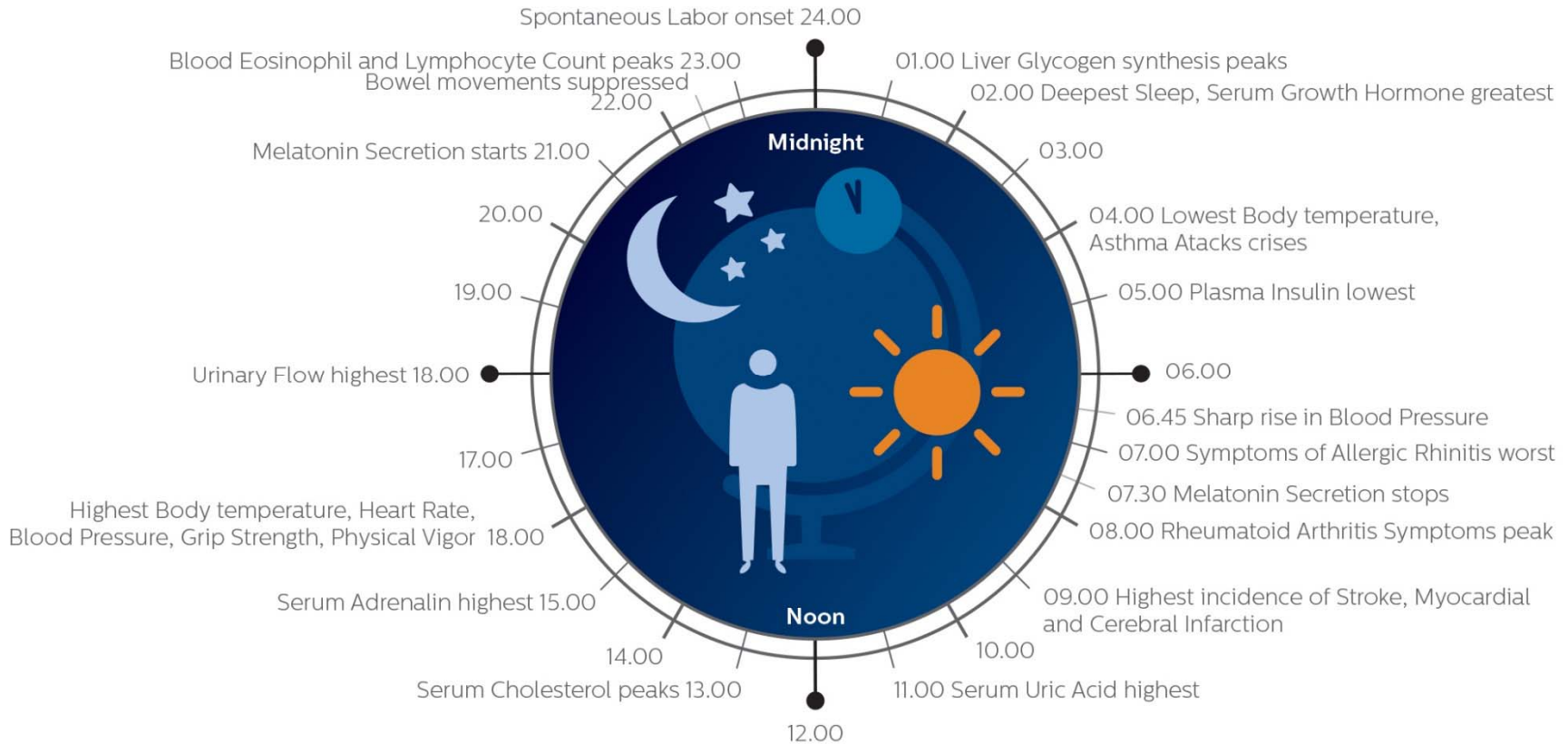
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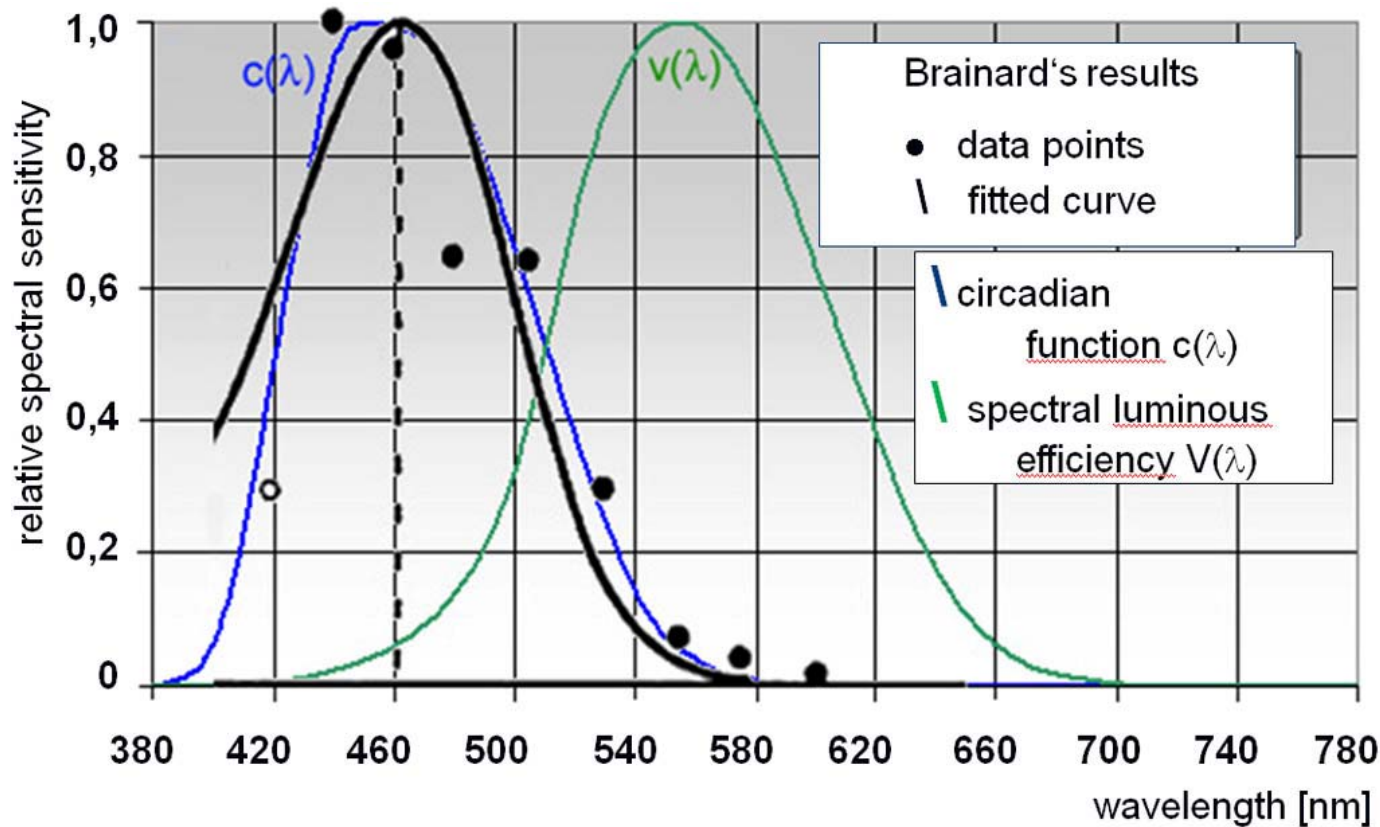
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The Natural Power of Light



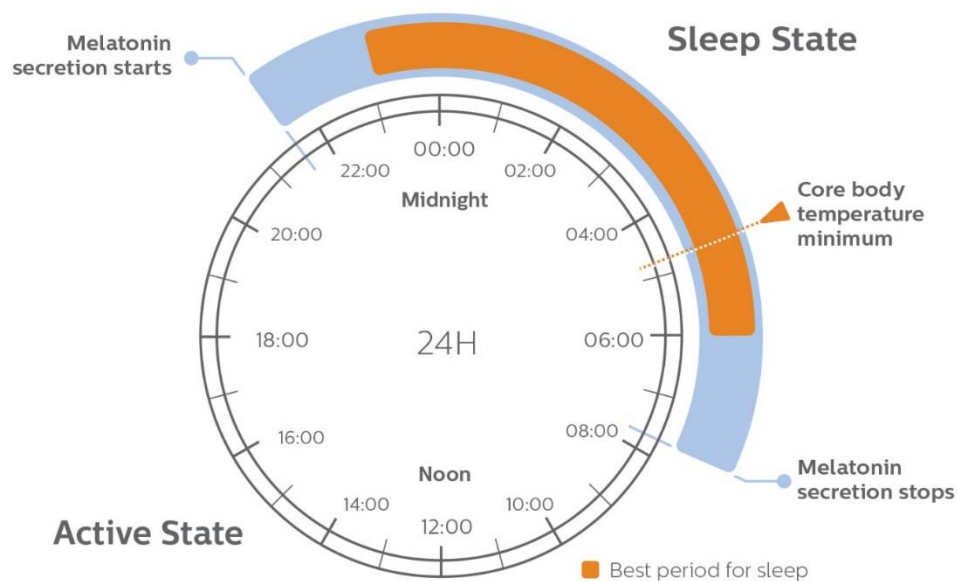
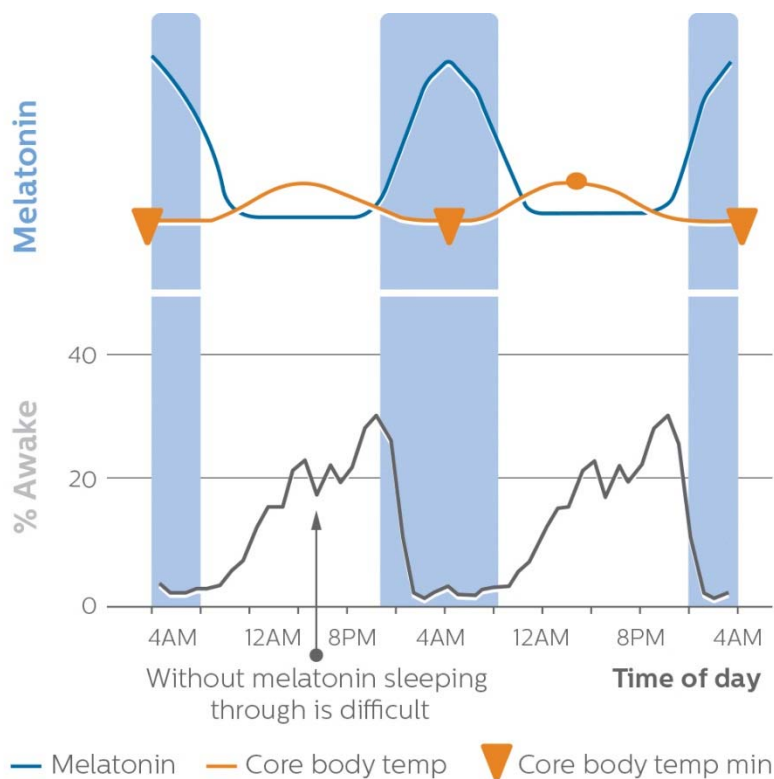
Light Regulates Our Circadian Rhythm



Brainard's action spectrum for circadian light

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Light Regulates Our Melatonin Secretion



Cancer Center Quiet Room

Duke Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina

Tasked with the challenge of providing a multipurpose, contemplative space for a wide range of moods and emotions, Cline Bettridge Bernstein Lighting Design (CBBLD) organized the Cancer Center's Quiet Room with the tranquility of nature in mind.



Architectural Lighting July-August 2013 DESIGN AWARDS

Lighting Design: Cline Bettridge Bernstein

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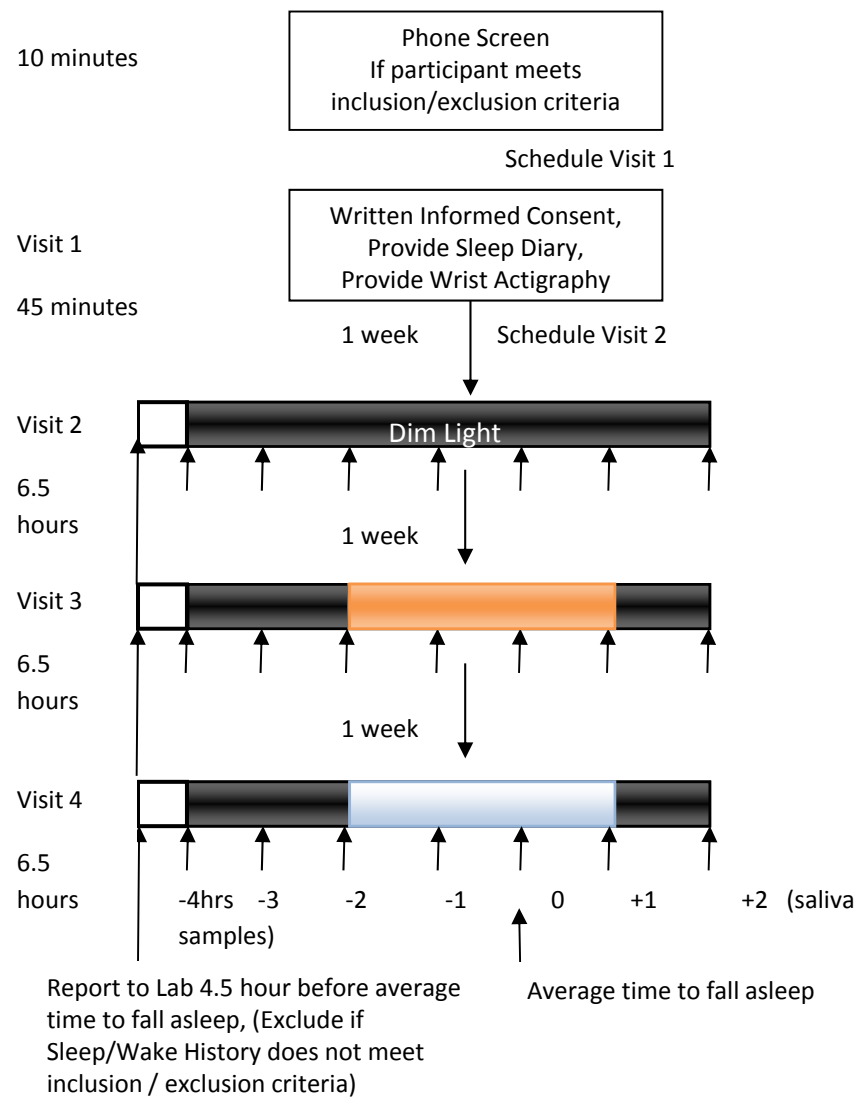
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Purpose and Hypotheses

The primary objective of the study was to investigate the effect of light (lumens and spectrum) on melatonin production.

- Hypothesis: Bright light that includes blue spectrum will suppress endogenous salivary melatonin secretion more than lower lumen light in the amber-red spectrum.
- Hypothesis: The secondary objective was to investigate whether light in the amber – red spectrum with adequate lumens to read and perform desired tasks will not suppress melatonin significantly from a baseline condition with dim light (<2 lux).

Study Overview

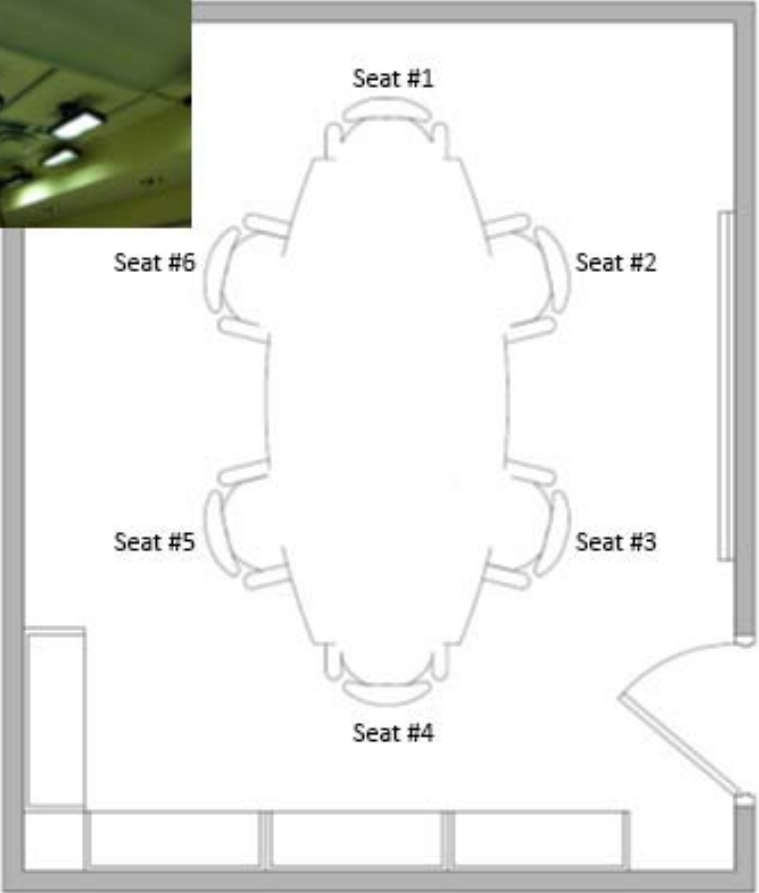


Study Flow
Diagram and
Schedule (Part II).

Experimental Conditions



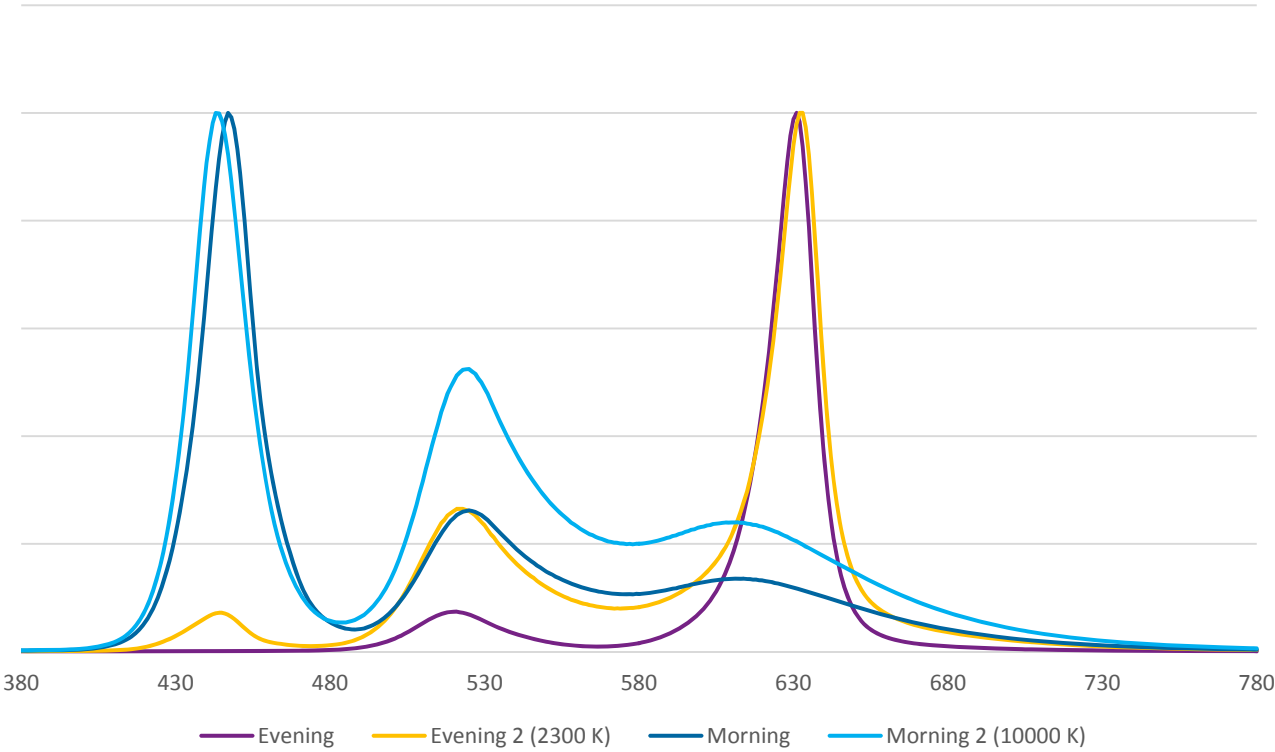
luminaires providing indirect ambient light



Experimental Conditions. Room size approximately 12 feet by 15 feet.

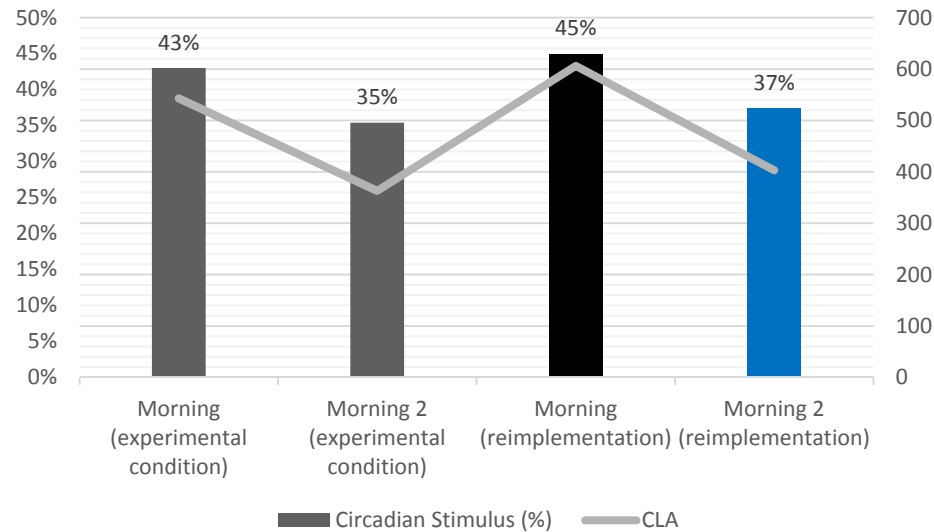
Experimental Conditions

Experimental Settings	
Morning	Morning 2 (10000 K)
1.484	1.054
Experimental Settings	
Evening	Evening 2 (2300 K)
0.246	0.502

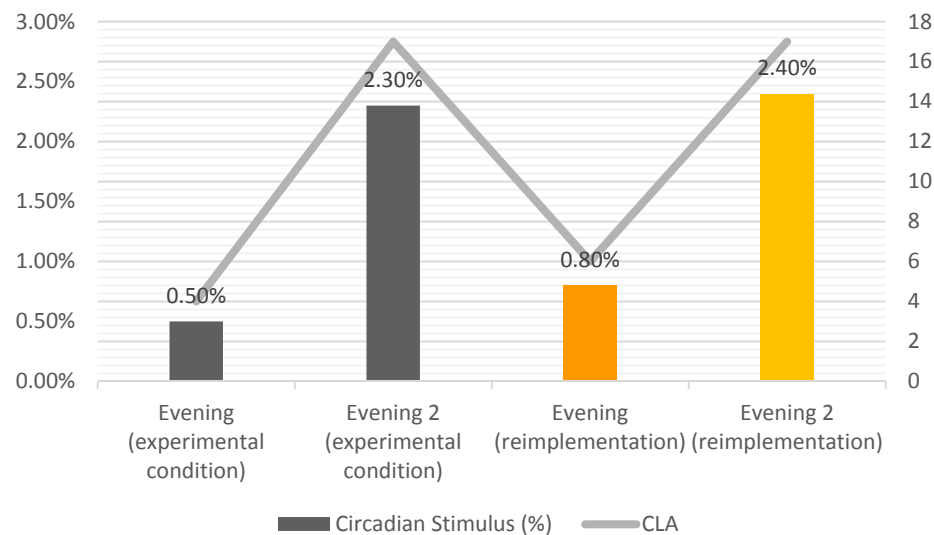


Comparison of spectral power distributions normalized for peak irradiance for the four experimental lighting conditions.

Expected Circadian Stimulation



Circadian stimulus and CLA) analyzed for all studied experimental and non-experimental evening and morning lighting conditions.



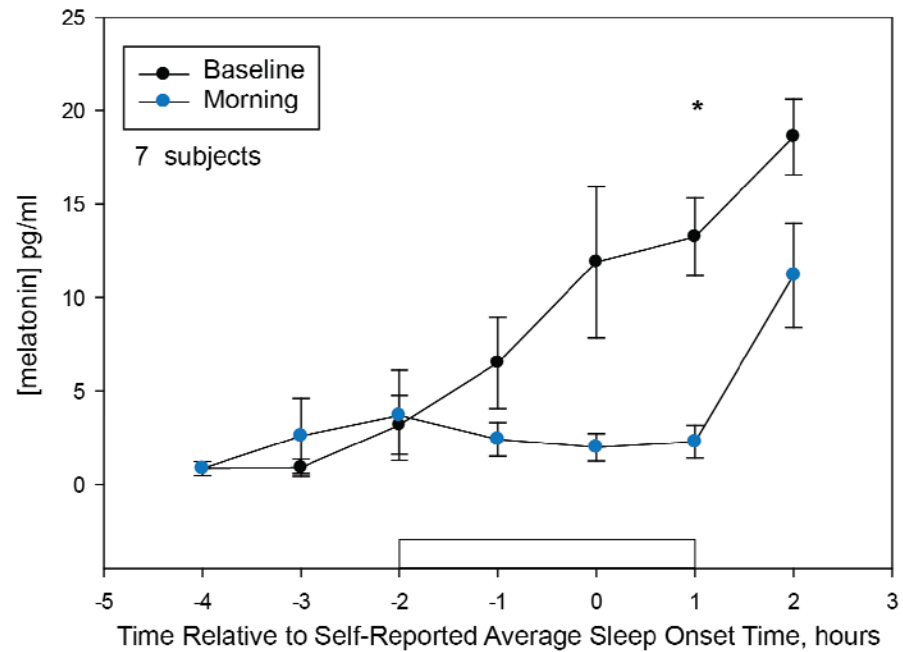
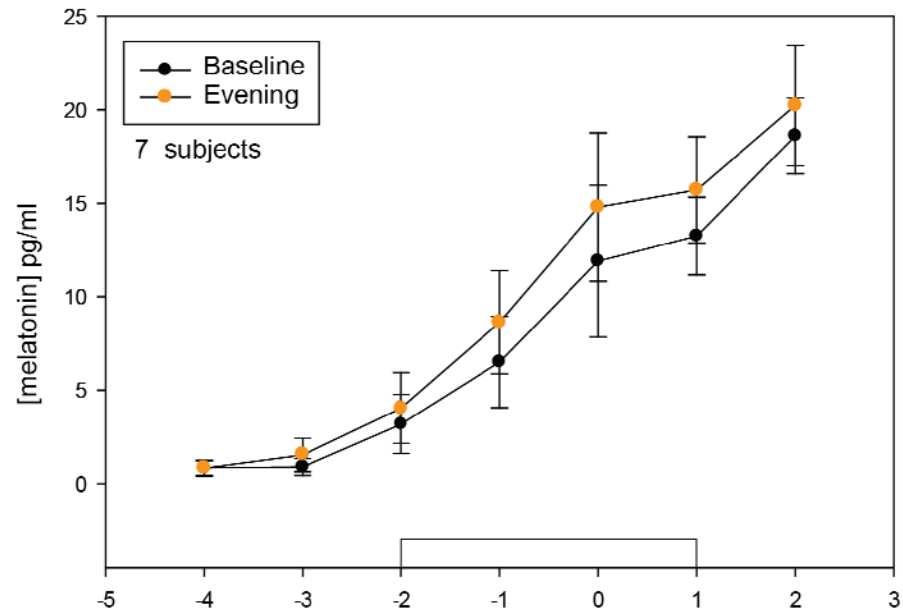
Experimental Conditions

Light Setting	Average horizontal illuminance on the table top (lux)	Average vertical illuminance entering the eye (lux)	Average vertical illuminance entering the eye looking at table (lux)
Dim Light	4	2	1
Evening	35	13.8	9
Morning	1149	432	269
Evening 2	81	29	25
Morning 2	1144	432	275

Average illuminances around the table.

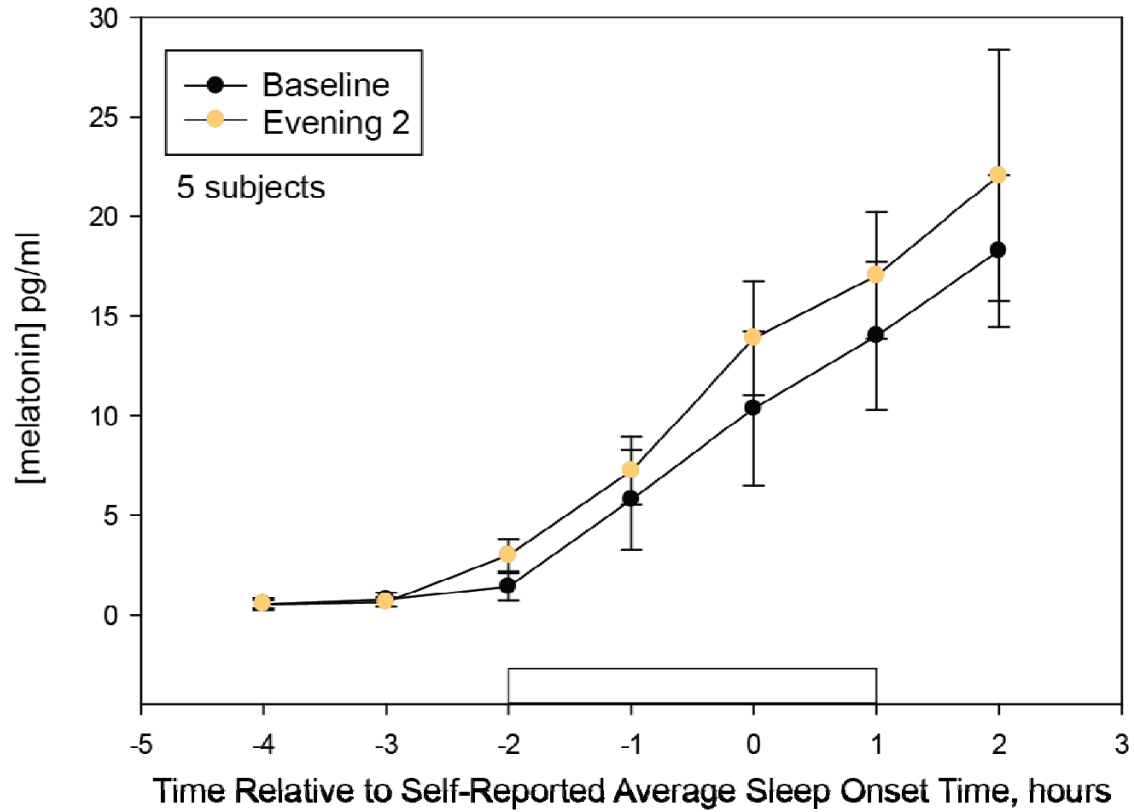
Results

Two Novel Ambient Lighting Conditions



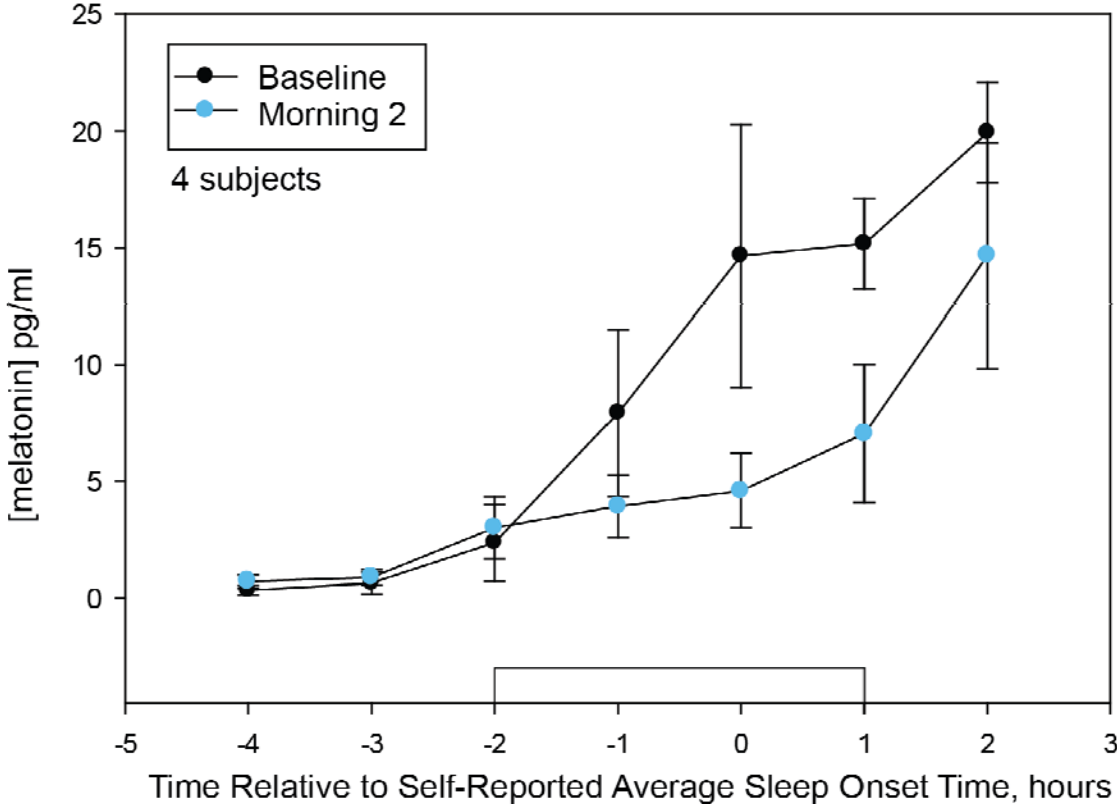
Results

Better White Light for the Evening – 2300 K



Results

Better White Light for the Evening – 10000 K



Visual Comparison of Settings



2300K

3500K

4500K

6500K

9500K

Discussion

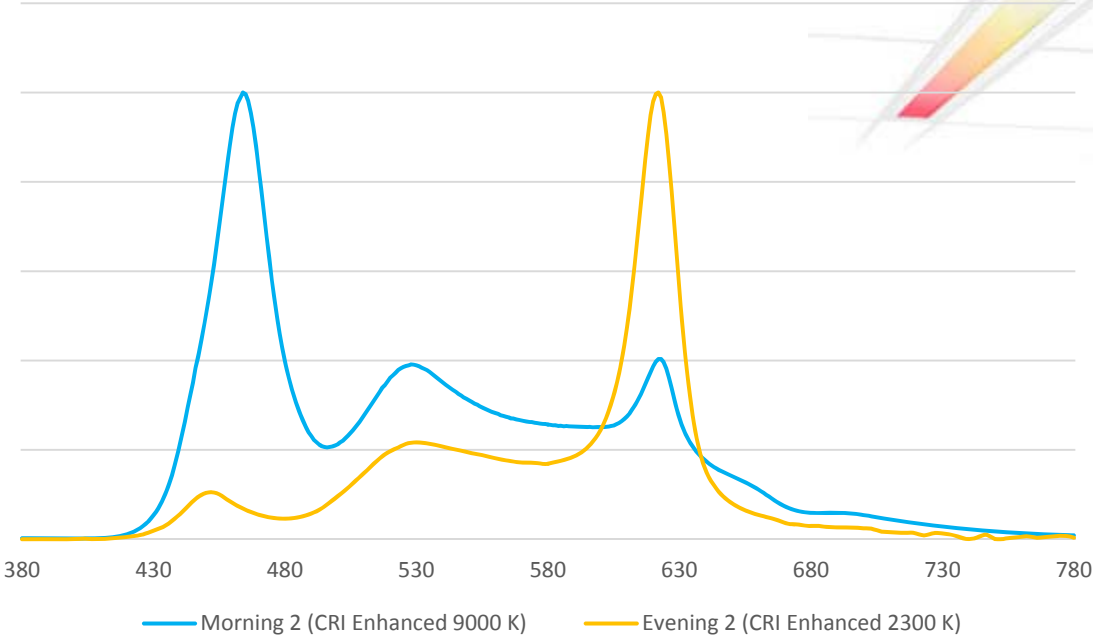
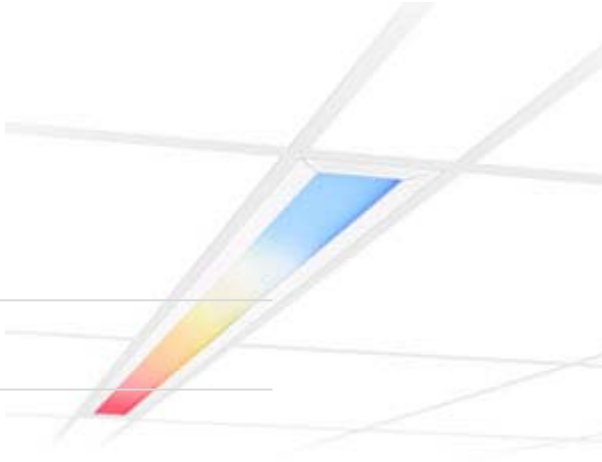
Experimental Settings		Translation of Experimental Settings on Commercial Lighting Platform	
Morning	Morning 2 (10000 K)	Morning	Morning 2 (9000 K)
1.484	1.054	2.134	1.326

Ratio of melanopic equivalent illuminance to photopic illuminance ratio for morning light settings.

Experimental Settings		Translation of Experimental Settings on Commercial Lighting Platform	
Evening	Evening 2 (2300 K)	Evening	Evening 2 (2300 K)
0.246	0.502	0.172	0.458

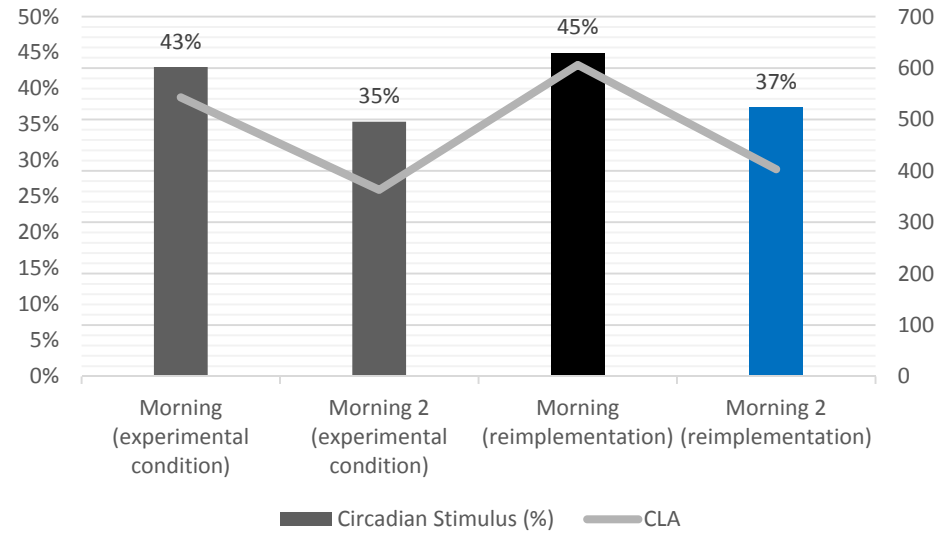
Ratio of melanopic equivalent illuminance to photopic illuminance for evening light settings.

Discussion

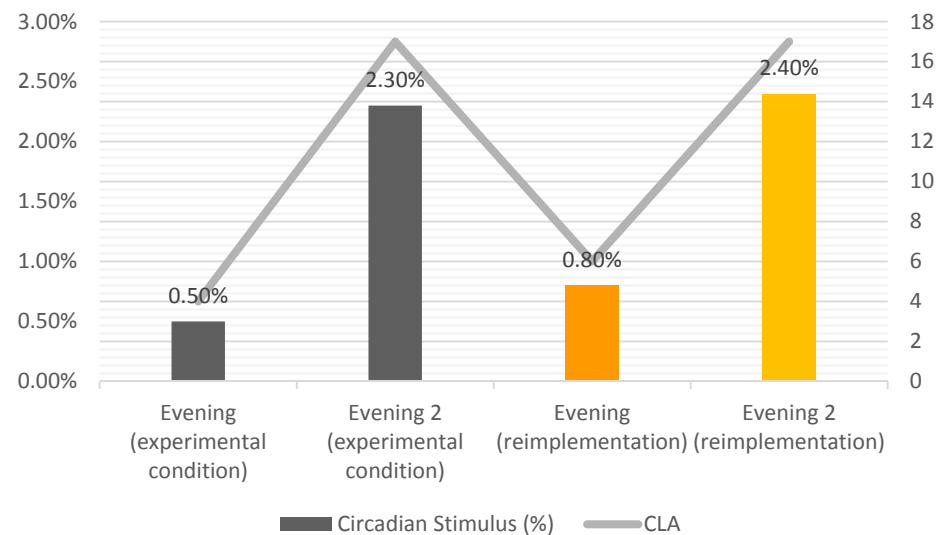


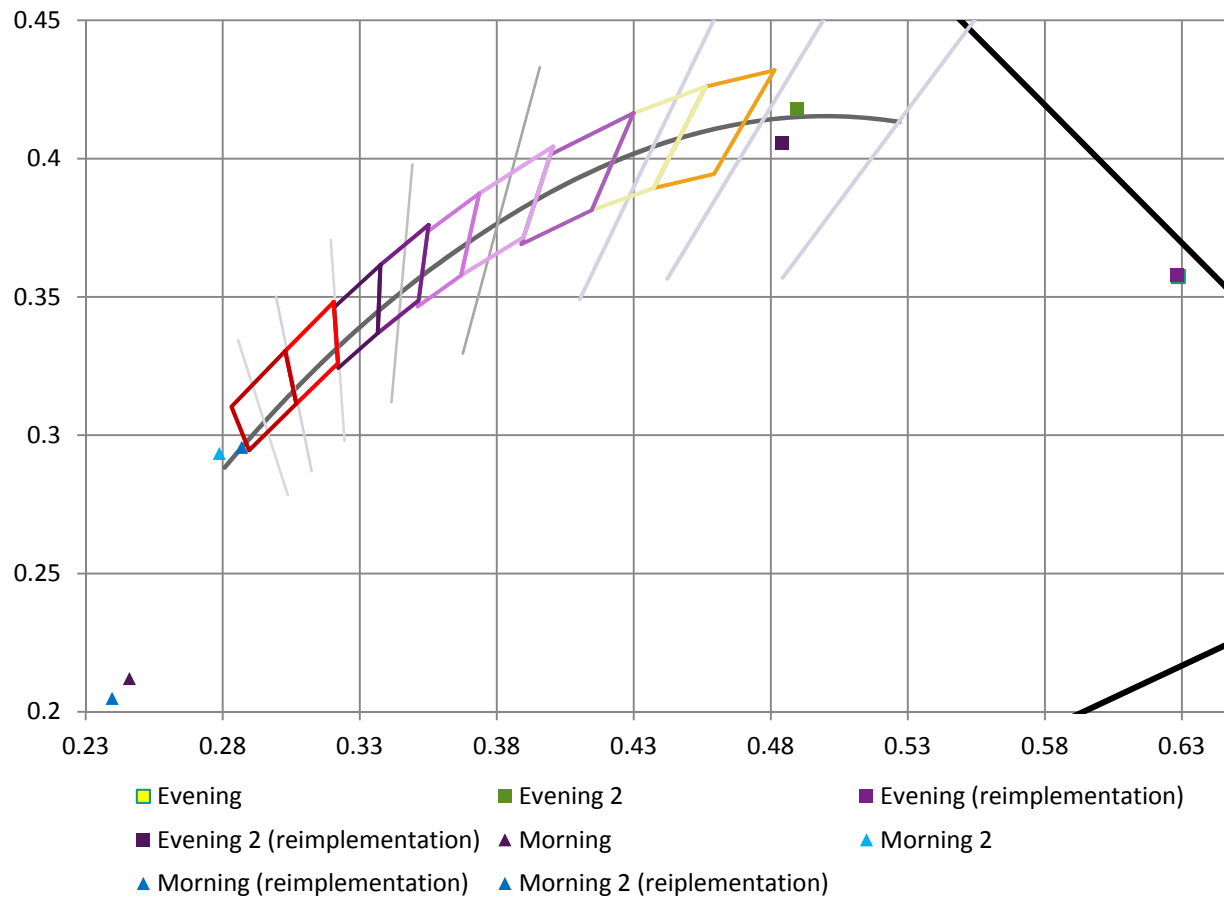
Comparison of spectral power distributions normalized for peak irradiance for enhanced light settings morning 2 and evening 2 implemented on a commercially available 5-channel LED lighting platform.

Discussion

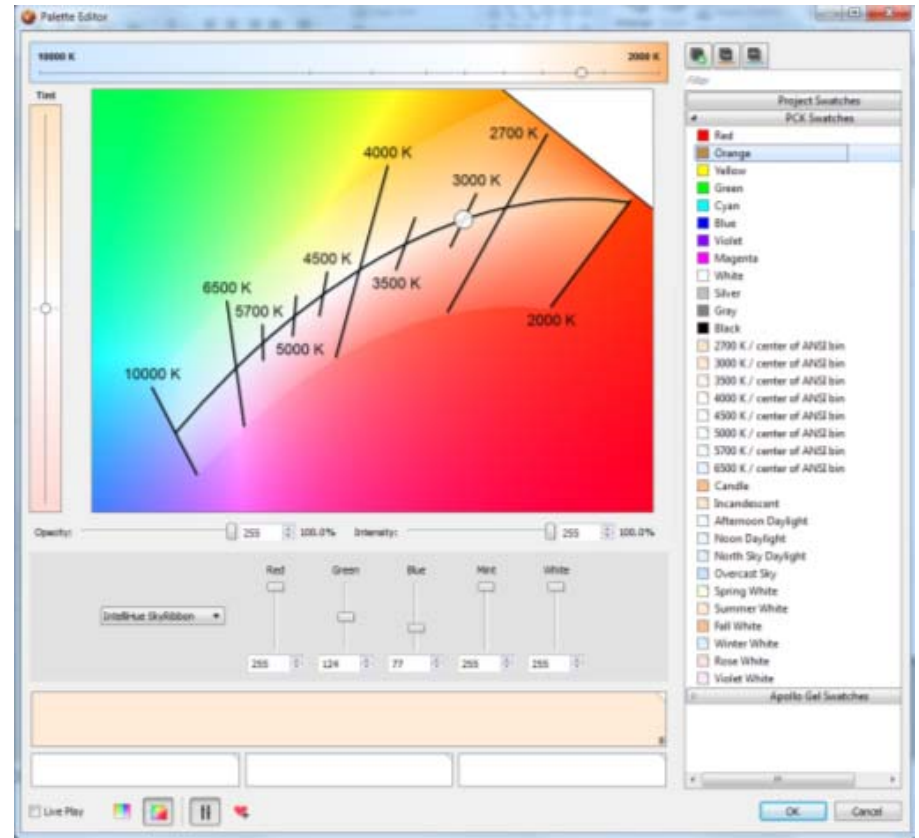
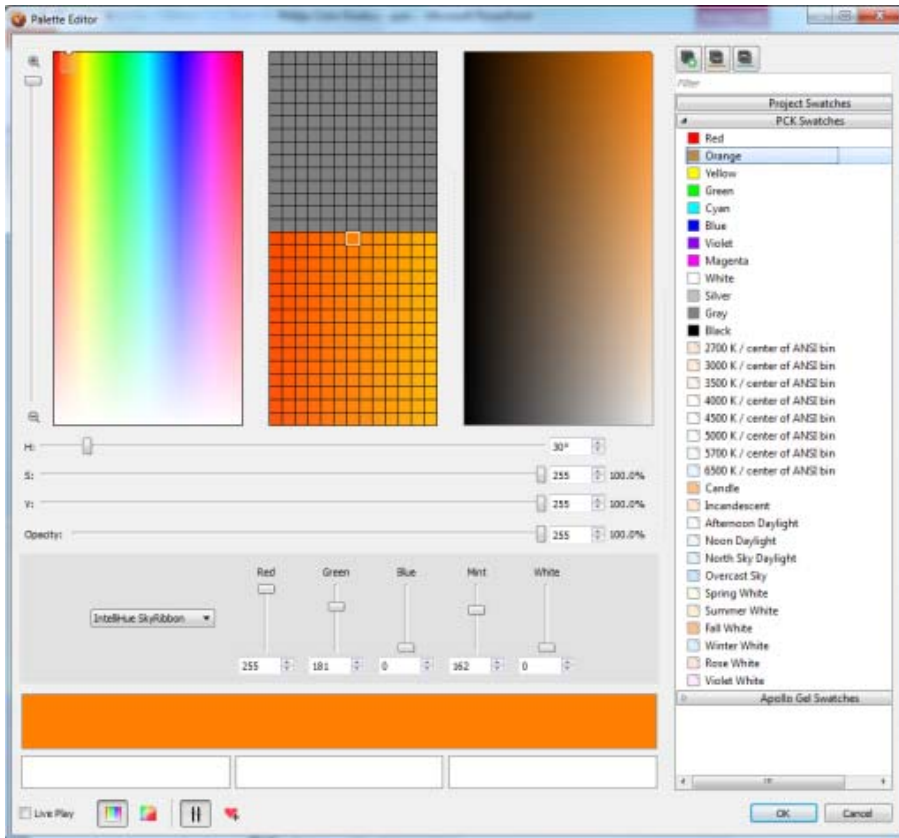


Circadian stimulus and CLA) analyzed for all studied experimental and non-experimental evening and morning lighting conditions.





CIE 1931 space showing the 4 experimental conditions with their respective xy coordinates in relation to the black body locus (BBL). Note Evening overlaps with Evening (reimplementation).



Conclusion

Anna Wirz-Justice and Colin Fournier summarized notes from the annual meeting of the *Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms*. They present draft design guidelines and called for research cooperation among scientists, architects and lighting practitioners to build on the growing base of evidence-based design practices. These types of collaborations could lead to improved results for the general population and overcome the “placebo” effect associated with results gained in unnatural lab-based settings.



Light Therapy



Mood Lighting



Sustaining Light

Thank you!

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Study Information

Please note this study is still in review.

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