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# Horticulture Lighting Solutions



Market

#### Horticultural LED market expected to grow rapidly



Source: LEDinside (2019)

### Background

#### The growth of horticultural LED market is driven by 3 factors







Transition to highly efficient LED lighting

Demand for fresher, healthy, and organic food Legalization of medical & recreational cannabis

#### Penetration rate of LED is still low in horticulture market

		Fluorescent	MH	HPS	Conventional LED (Narrow Spectrum)
Marke	Market Share		90%		10%
Product Specification	Efficacy (µmol/J)	1	1.4	1.8	> 2.5
	Heat	Low	High	High	Low
	Lifetime (hrs.)	< 20,000	<20,000	< 30,000	> 50,000
	Warm-up Time	Short	Long	Long	Short
	Design Flexibility	Low	Low	Low	High
	Lighting System Cost	Low	Low	Low	High
	Spectrum Controllability	n/a	n/a	n/a	Low
	Visibility (Human Eye)	Good	Good	Good	Bad

# Full Spectrum LED

Full spectrum is recent trend with more cost-effective, productive, & favorable solution





#### **More Cost-effective Solution**

#### Full spectrum reduces initial lighting system and operating costs



#### **More Productive Solution**

Full spectrum promotes balanced plant growth by improving various aspects



#### **More Favorable Solution**

Full spectrum enables easier detection of diseases & pleasant work environment



#### Full Spectrum



### **Key Considerations**

#### There are three key considerations in horticulture lighting

Spectrum	Efficacy	Reliability	
Optimized spectrum ensures healthier and balanced plant growth	High PPF/W enables increased plant growth using less energy	Horticulture environment requires higher level of reliability and stability	

# Why Samsung LED

Samsung Horticultural LED line-up created with the key considerations in mind



#### **Spectrum of Infinite Possibilities**

A wide selection of LEDs and simulation tool provide freedom of spectrum design



#### **Experiment on Full Spectrum**

- Plants: Butterhead Lettuce, & Oak Leaf
- Environment: 24°C, RH 70%, On/Off=16/8 hrs., hydroponic
- Test Period: 10 days
- Variable: Light spectrum (narrow vs. full) with same PPF

 $\times$  Experiment was repeated 3 times with different batches for reproducibility

#### Narrow Spectrum



#### **Full Spectrum**





## **Experiment on Full Spectrum**

10% higher fresh weight was obtained with full spectrum



#### **Experiment on Full Spectrum**

#### Full spectrum can improve quality of plants as well

- · Cross-sections of the leaves under narrow spectrum vs. full spectrum were compared
- Thicker leaf and well-formed structures (xylem, phloem, etc.) were obtained with full spectrum



# **Spectrum Engineering**

Color, taste, and immunity can be optimized with spectrum engineering



#### **Figure-of-Merit**

PAR (Photosynthetic Active Radiation): 400-700nm

- PPF (Photosynthetic Photon Flux): Amount of photons in PAR ( $\mu$ mol/s)  $\leftrightarrow$  Im
- PPE (Photosynthetic Photon Efficacy): PPF/Watt efficiency ( $\mu$ mol/J)  $\leftrightarrow$  Im/W



Efficacy

# High Efficacy LED

LED efficacy is key to succeed in horticulture application

 $\rightarrow$  Samsung provides industry leading high efficacy LEDs

		LM301H	Company A	Remark	
Form Factor (mm <sup>2</sup> )		3.0x3.0	3.0x3.0	-	
25℃ 65mA 5000K CRI80	PPF (µmol/s)	0.56	0.51	+10%	
	PPE (µmol/J)	3.10	2.86	+8%	



# Saving in Lighting System Cost

Initial lighting system cost can be significantly reduced with high efficacy LED



# **Saving in Operation Cost**

A huge amount of electrical energy can be saved with high efficacy LEDs



#### **LED Failure Modes**

Blackout and performance degradation over time are typical failure modes



#### **Advanced Flip Chip Structure**

#### Flip-chip LEDs prevent potential wire-open and blackout failure



# **High Sulfur Environment**

Performance degradation of LEDs can be caused by chemical exposure



#### **Superior Sulfur Resistance**

LED with protection schemes is necessary to maintain PPF, Spectrum, etc.



H2S 15ppm, 25°C / 75% humidity for 504 hrs.



※ IEC Pub.68-2-43

# Main Applications



# **Vertical Farming Solution**

- Crops: Lettuce, Herb, etc.
- LED Lighting Requirements: Efficacy<sup>↑</sup>, & Thermal Management



#### **Greenhouse Farming Solution**

- Crops: Tomato, Pepper, Cucumber, etc.
- LED Lighting Requirements: Cost↓, Size/Weight↓



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# Thank you