

# Hollow-core fibers

Hollow-core photonic bandgap fiber

# Unique properties for demanding applications

## Hollow-core fibers enable a large variety of applications

In hollow-core photonic bandgap fibers, a microstructured silica cladding with air holes confines the light inside a hollow core.

Hollow-core fibers enable a large variety of applications which require performances that can not be met using traditional solid-core fibers.

### Unique properties

The hollow core allows control of the gas composition and pressure, enabling extremely long interaction lengths between the light and the gas.

The weak interaction between the fundamental mode and the surrounding silica also makes these fibers radiation insensitive.

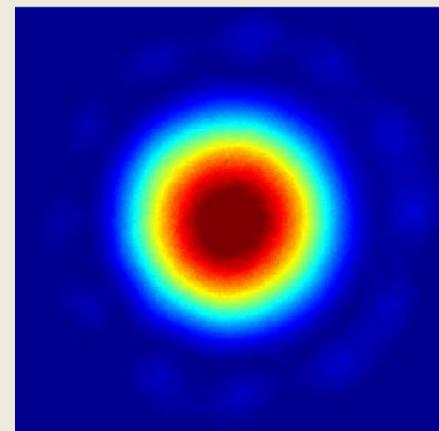
### Reduced non-linearities

Since only a small fraction of the light propagates in silica, the effect of material non-linearities is significantly reduced compared to solid core fibers.

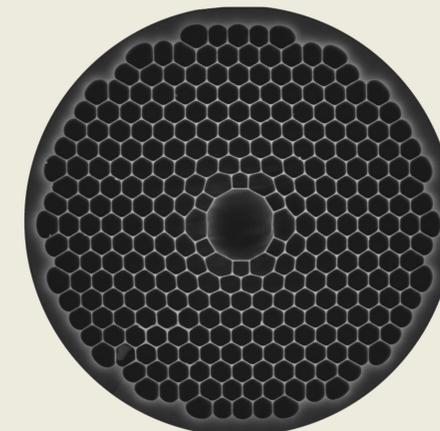
### Features

- > 98% of the optical power is located in the hollow core
- Can be gas or particle filled
- Ultra-low bend loss
- Low Fresnel reflections at end faces
- Group index close to unity
- Radiation insensitive
- Pure silica

Typical near field intensity profile



Schematic fiber cross section



# Hollow-core fibers

---

## Applications

- Two-photon microscopy
- Power delivery
- Pulse shaping and compression
- Gas spectroscopy
- Nonlinear optics
- Fiber optic gyroscopes
- Sensors
- Narrow linewidth delivery

# Specifications

## Optical

Model	HC-920	HC-1060	HC-1300	HC-1550
Operating wavelength loss threshold [dB/nm]	150	100	60	30
Operating wavelength [nm]	900-970	1030-1090	1290-1330	1490-1680
Mode field diameter @ design wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] <sup>1</sup>	7.5 $\pm$ 1	6.7 $\pm$ 1	7.5 $\pm$ 1	9.0 $\pm$ 1

## Physical properties

Model	HC-920	HC-1060	HC-1300	HC-1550
Core diameter [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	8.0 $\pm$ 1.5	9.0 $\pm$ 1.5	10.0 $\pm$ 1.5	11.5 $\pm$ 1.0
Cladding diameter [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	115 $\pm$ 5	120 $\pm$ 5	125 $\pm$ 5	120 $\pm$ 2
Coating diameter (single-layer acrylate) [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	240 $\pm$ 40	240 $\pm$ 40	240 $\pm$ 40	220 $\pm$ 30

1. Full 1/e<sup>2</sup> width of the near field intensity distribution

## Hollow-core fibers

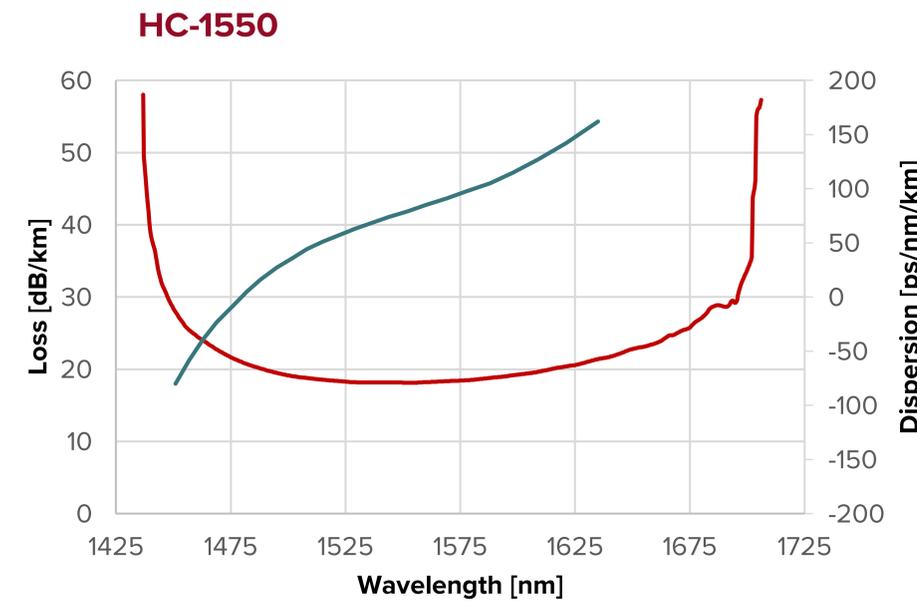
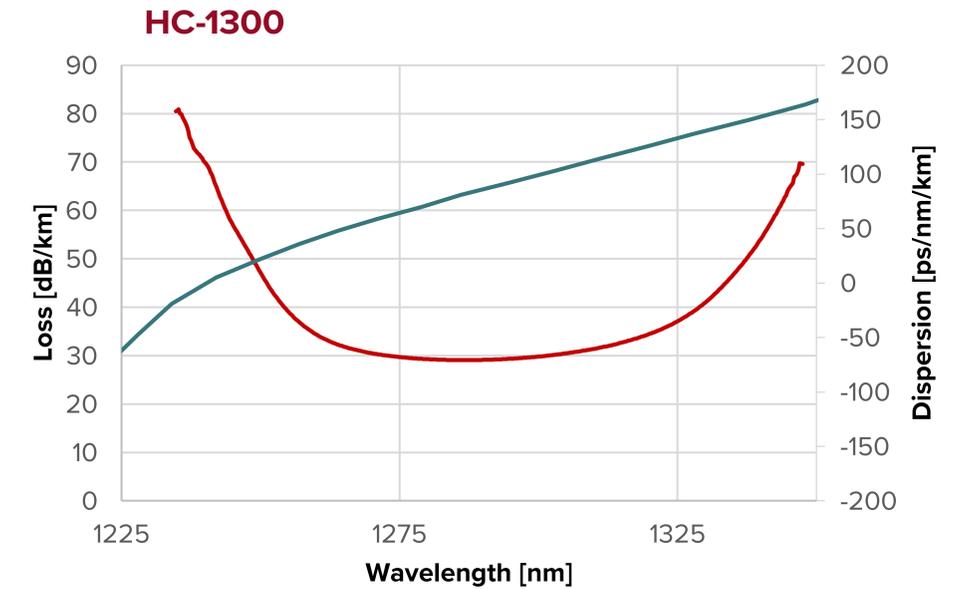
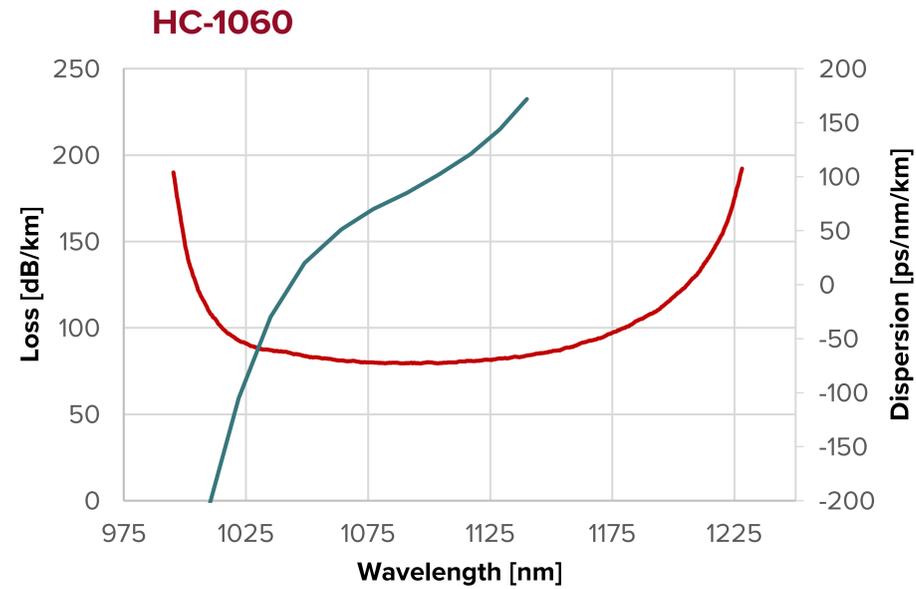
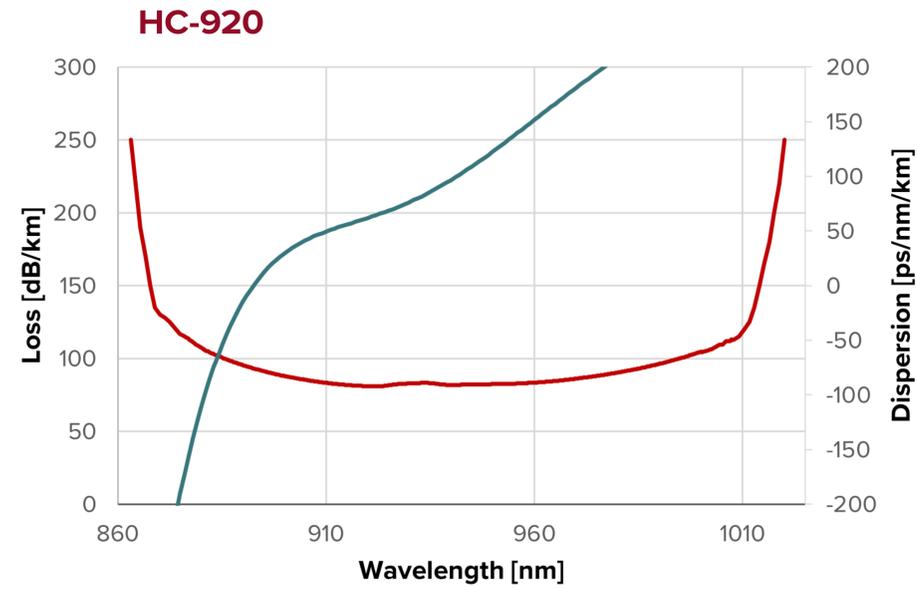
All NKT Photonics products are produced under our quality management system certified in accordance with the ISO 9001:2015 standard.



# Specifications

# Hollow-core fibers

Typical attenuation and dispersion



© Copyright 2024 NKT Photonics A/S. All Rights Reserved. HC-920\_1060\_1300\_1550\_202405

# SOLUTIONS FOR INNOVATORS