

### Stakeholder Presentation to OEKO Institute

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### Outline

- Brief QD Vision Background
- Commitment to Responsible Design
- Products for Lighting & Display
- Key Technology Comparisons
- Conclusions







## About QD Vision



- Founded in May 2005 MIT roots
- First QD Products to market in Display and LED Lighting
- World's largest QD Mfg. facilities
- 150+ employees Global operations
- Color IQ<sup>™</sup> optics shipping in high volume since Q1-2013
- Multiple MP lines qualified, operating
- High yield production processes for both QDs and final optic assembly
- ISO9000/14001, Green Partner status





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### Commitment to Responsible Development



QD Vision shares leadership responsibility via *e.g.* US National Academies of Sciences Nano-EH&S Research Strategy Committee





### EH&S Community Collaboration

QD Vision has proactively established EH&S community collaborations

- US NIOSH Chuck Geraci, Ph.D., and team
  - Established QD R&D occupational health and safety best practices
  - Presented in US and Taiwan
- University of Massachusetts Prof. Ellenbecker and C. Tsai, Ph.D.
  - Product safety feedback studies
- Formerly Conservation Law Fund Ventures Jo Anne Shatkin, Ph.D.
  - Life cycle risk assessment "the most comprehensive LCRA ever performed for a nano-material" presented at Society for Risk Analysis Annual Meeting, 12/7/09
- Brown University Profs. Robert Hurt and Agnes Kane
  - EPA STAR Grant, end-of-life fate studies
  - ES&T paper published in February, Liu et al.
- Frequent invited speaker at e.g. US EPA OPPT and OECD WPMN

Goal is to launch product with environmental benefit, by bringing EH&S information into the development process early





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### QDs operate in two modes

#### Photoluminesence (PL mode)

- Activated by light energy
- Downconversion of color from other light sources
- Any light with shorter wavelength (higher energy)
- "Color IQ<sup>TM</sup> components"



#### Electroluminescence (EL mode)

- Activated by electronic energy
- Direct emission of colored light
- Requires charge transport films
- "QLEDs"







# QD Optic For Solid State Lighting

### Quantum Dots break tradeoff paradigm







## QDs vs Red Phosphor

#### Impact of FWHM on Luminous Efficiency



Photopic Response Curve of the Human Eye

Multiply QD and Phosphor spectra by photopic response curve





# QDs vs Red Phosphor

#### Impact of FWHM on Luminous Efficiency

1.0 Convert to lumens QD: 620 → 615nm Phosphor:  $650 \rightarrow 610$ nm 0.8 Normalized Response Area under curve Phosphor vs QD: 0.5 QD has 2X lumen advantage 0.3 0.0 530 580 730 430 380 480 630 680 780 Wavelength [nm]

Photopic Response Curve of the Human Eye

Broad FWHM of phosphor significantly decreases luminous efficiency This effect is continuous – 60nm FWHM has only half the benefit of 30nm





### QDs Convert the Blue Light to Red





# Color IQ<sup>TM</sup> Optical Component

#### Color IQ<sup>™</sup> Optics exceed OLED color with LCD fab

- Color IQ optical components containing light-emitting semiconductor nanocrystal Quantum Dots (QDs).
- Improves typical LCD TV Color performance by 50%
- Best available Color-Efficiency combination
- QDs are tuned for optimized spectra, narrowband light emission
- Highly efficient, scalable manufacturing process





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### Ten Sony TV Models In the Market





These Sony TVs now available in: USA, Canada, Germany, France, U.K., Russia, Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan, China, India, Australia, New Zealand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Philippines, Mexico, Brazil, Colombia, Peru.



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# Comparing QD Products - Form

#### QD Film



- QDs in O<sub>2</sub> barrier films
- Film covers entire BLU
- Large amount of QD material per display
- In line roll process
- Operates at temperature of BLU surface

#### **QD Edge Optic**



- QDs sealed inside glass optic
- Optic used on 1 or 2 edges of BLU
- Highly efficient use of materials per display
- Highly flexible white point options
- Operates at temps. near but not on LED

#### QD On LED Chip



- QD materials mixed in LED encapsulant
- Packaged LEDs used in BLU
- Packaging costs per LED unclear
- Must survive LED junction temperature and O<sub>2</sub> exposure



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# Comparing QD Products - Vendors

#### **QD** Film



- 3M with Nanosys Materials
- Contains Cadmium
- Amazon Kindle HDX 7"
  - Shipping in EU

#### **QD Edge Optic**



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  Vision Materials
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- 10 models of Sony TV
  - HD/UHD
  - **4**0''-65''
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#### Cd-free QD Film



 No Products on the Market







### Comparing QD Products – Markets Today

#### Cadmium QD Film



- Fits into all display segments
- Cost challenge for larger areas (>20"?)
- Thickness problem for smaller areas
- Sweet spot is probably ~7-21"

#### Cd QD Edge Optic



- Fits into all display segments
- Integration challenges for smaller area (<20"?)</li>
- Sweet spot is ~21"+

#### Cd-free QD Film



- Fits into all display segments
- Cost, thickness challenges more severe
- Sweet spot narrower
- No markets currently served because of performance limitations



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## QD Product by Form – Projected Future

- Peer reviewed article on QD adoption
- Figure 3 from ECS Journal of Solid State Science and Technology, 2(2), R(2013), submitted 9/5/12
- Accurate prediction (so far) of how QD market will develop



#### Segment by Display Size and Geometry



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# A Contradictory Story

- Article by Nanoco (overlapping authors with RoHS submission) in the same 2013 issue concludes:
- "Of the non-Cd QD systems, InP is the nearest to realizing applicationready material, yet improvements are still required. Perhaps most importantly, gains in QE in composites are required to enhance luminous efficacy, while narrower FWHMs are needed to improve color purity. For BLU applications, narrower FWHM will provide better color saturation and a larger color triangle, while for general lighting, narrower red emission will deliver more efficient light sources by reducing the proportion of light emitted in the long-red region where the human eye sensitivity is decreased and less lumen contribution is made. Thus, improvements in QE and FWHM may hold the key to achieving commercial SSL devices incorporating InP QDs."
- RoHS submission "Nanoco's CFQD<sup>™</sup> cadmium-free quantum dots are not made from indium phosphide."
- "In this case, a quantum dot FWHM of 60 70 nm is ideal to maximise both efficacy and CRI at a target CCT."





# Comparing QD Products - Quantity

#### Cadmium QD Film



- 3M: 20ug/cm2 of screen area MAX
- 3-5 ug/cm2 typical
- ~40mg Cd per large area TV

#### Cd QD Edge Optic



- QDV: ~1.5mg Cd per large area TV
- Decreasing with future product generations
- ~ 0.15 ug/cm2 of screen area

#### Cd-free QD Film



- Lower absorption per mass = more QDs
- Project ~50ug/cm2 MAX of InP (Class 1b carcinogen)
- ~10ug/cm2 will likely be typical
- Cd-free edge optic not seen as even medium-term feasible



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### Formulas to Determine Net Cd Benefit

Total Cadmium emissions (edge-optic): Net Cd Benefit = Cd reduction – Cd usage = [power saved over life of TV \* EU Cd liberated per kWh consumed] – Cd usage

= [25kWh \* X% power reduction \* 87 ug/kWh] – Cd usage

Example: 42" TV in QDV submission Net Cd Benefit = 25 \* 20 \* 87 - 1500ug = 42mg





### Formulas to Determine Net Cd Benefit

Air emissions only (edge-optic): Net Cd Benefit = Cd reduction – Cd usage = power saved over life of TV \* EU Cd emission per kWh consumed – Cd usage

= 25kWh \* X% power reduction

\* 3.8 ug/kWh – Cd usage

Example: 42" TV in QDV submission Net Cd Benefit = 25 \* 20 \*3.8 – 1500ug = 400ug





### Formulas to determine environmental benefits

- Estimation of environmental benefits in economic terms of reductions in CO2 emissions:
  - Estimated reduction in CO2 emissions = Projected sales \* [carbon net saving per TV(tonnes) \* conversion factor]
  - 2. Economic benefits associated with reductions in CO2 = estimated reductions in CO2 emissions \* SCC



Total environmental benefits : euro 65,165,348

- Conversion factor from carbon to CO2: 12/44 (DEFRA, 2007)
- Social Cost of Carbon (euro 10.5/tonne)







### Formulas to determine socio-economic benefit

- Quantification of economic benefits of energy saving:
  - Annual benefits: [projected sales \* energy saving per TV \* average price of the electricity (euro kwhr)]/10 years



Total benefits (discounted over 10 years at 4%) = euro 2,858,720,924

(Average price of electricity in the EU = 0.1265 euro kW-hr)





### Risk control during recycling activities

- The assessment of the hazard of cadmium during recycling activities of LCD televisions has been performed:
  - Recommendation from the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits for cadmium and its inorganic compounds (SCOEL/SUM/136) of February 2010 was taken into account
  - Review of the information in the disseminated REACH dossier on cadmium was performed
  - The actual risk of exposure to Cadmium by workers during the recycling activities was assessed
  - A Risk Characterisation Ratio was calculated using the established DNEL for Cadmium



Result: risk is controlled during all recycling activities





Nanoco response lacks information regarding the socio-economic benefits of cadmium-free QD

- Data required:
  - The environmental benefits in economic terms of reductions in CO2 emissions should be based on:
    - The expected demand for the product
    - ✓ The estimated energy saving
    - The associated coal saving and relative carbon net saving
    - Social cost of the carbon or other alternative methods accepted in the literature
  - The economic benefits of energy saving should be quantified taking into account:
    - ✓ Foreseen sales
    - ✓ Estimated energy saving and the average usage of a TV
    - ✓ Price of electricity
- A comparison of the two technologies on a socioeconomic basis is impossible due to lack of data, AND lack of product





# Comparing – Quality & Efficiency

#### Cadmium QD Film



- 20+% efficiency advantage over next best available material (phosphors, not Cdfree QD)
- Full gamut (100% NTSC) is possible
- Uniformity, lifetime, reproducibility, quality controls all at market acceptable levels

#### Cd QD Edge Optic



- 20+% efficiency advantage over next best available material (phosphors)
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#### Cd-free QD Film



- >20% efficiency deficit vs next best available material (Cd QD)
- 100% gamut possible, but deficit increases to >30%
- Uniformity, lifetime, reproducibility, etc. have not yet met market acceptable levels





- QD Vision refined model to estimate quality and efficiency trade-offs with customers
- We have verified high degree of model accuracy over a wide range of inputs, color filters, QD changes

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blue PWL = 450 nm	QDV QD, FWHM = 35nm, 30nm	532nm	633 nm	95.20%	107.80%	100%
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Set QDV performance as the baseline





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 Calculate Cd-free performance with same peak wavelengths (PWL)





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Model (no hardware exists) predicts 22% efficiency benefit of Cd at 98% NTSC area, and 31% benefit at >105% NTSC area (>92% overlap).





# Assessing Technology Status

- Is the Cd-free product 'on the market' in the EU? NO
- Has a specific electronics product been announced? – NO
- Has a component level solution been announced? – NO
- Has a component manufacturing partner been announced? – NO
- Has a materials manufacturer scaled up production? – NO
- Has a materials manufacturer announced plans to scale up production? - YES





## Low Confidence Supply Chain



## QD Press Over the Years

- "Nanoco Technologies Ltd. UK who have proprietary scale up technology have announced that they plan for scale up production within two years in Japan." Sept 2007
- "The 18-month development agreement, which was announced in September 2009, has a final milestone remaining and is on schedule for completion in early 2011. On completion, it is expected that a supply and license agreement will be negotiated with the partner." Aug 2010
- "This year, Nanosys commercialized its quantum dot technology with the QuantumRail<sup>TM</sup>, a process-ready component that improves LED backlit display color gamut and efficiency, and has announced partnerships with LG Innotek and Samsung Electronics." Sep 2010
- "Nanosys, Inc., an advanced materials architect, today announced that its next generation LCD technology, the Quantum Dot Enhancement Film (QDEF<sup>TM</sup>), is available to display manufacturers." May 2011
- "This step improvement gives us confidence that we will exceed the performance necessary for commercially feasible devices," said Seth Coe-Sullivan, Chief Technology Officer of QD Vision. "We intend to continue driving further improvements in device performance that will enable the next generation of flat panel displays offering consumers a better viewing experience, better economics and more user-friendly form factors than currentgeneration products." June 2006 (QLEDs)





# QD Under Article 5 RoHS

### Cd Quantum Dots

- Shown to have no negative impact on health ✓
- Shown to have positive net effect on environment√
- Proven reliability in the market  $\checkmark$
- Massive socio-economic calculated cost/benefit ratio according to EU gold standard ✓
- Life cycle extensively analysed ✓
- Ongoing benefit if exemption is granted

### Cd Free Quantum Dots

- Indium Phosphide also a CMR 1b, no analysis submitted of risk characterisation X
- No environmental energy saving benefit expected X
- Estimated time to market > length of exemption X
- No guarantee the technology will work in any product X
- No LCA performed X
- Immediate negative impact if substitution is forced





## Conclusions

Quantum Dots are an environmentally beneficial nanomaterial technology bringing color with efficiency to LCDs, and are on the market in the EU today.

QD Vision's Color IQ:

- Scaled manufacturing and established supply chain
- The right geometry for low material utilization even in large areas
- ... with a quantified net benefit to the economy and environment

Thank you for your invitation and attention!





