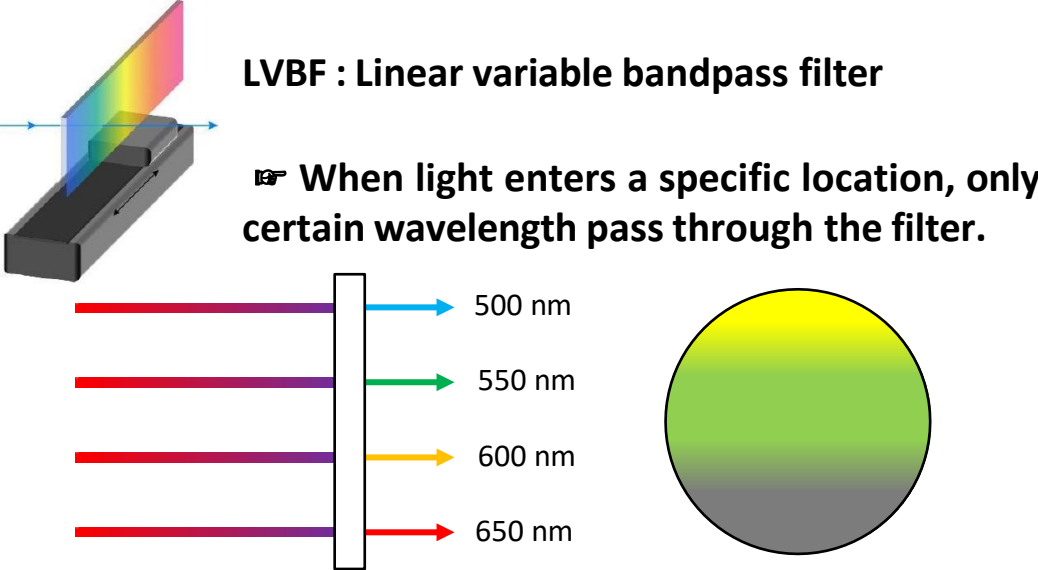


# Comparison for tunable filters

# Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS) Comparison

	Liquid Crystal	Acousto-Optic Tunable Filter(AOTF)	Grating	Laser Line Tunable Filter (LLTF)		Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS)	
Laser Damage Threshold	low	high	high	high		high	< 2 MW/cm <sup>2</sup> (CW)
Passband shape	poor	poor	poor	great		great	Maintaining the input beam characteristics
Out-of-band blocking	poor	poor	poor	good	OD 6	great	OD 10 up to 1700 nm
Wide tuning range	high	discontinuous	high	high		high	255-1700 nm
Adjustable bandwidth in real-time	x	x	x	x		possible	2-15 nm (nominal)
High Throughput	poor	poor	poor	good	~ 65%	great	≥ 75 %
Aperture size	Limited	Limited	Limited	Limited	< 5 mm	Diverse (5, 10 mm)	Work with both Laser and lamp types
Polarization	Dependent	Dependent	Dependent	Independent		Independent	Unpolarized
Distortion	Free	O	O	Free		Free	No distortion
Custom set wavelength	Fixed range	Fixed range	Fixed range	Fixed range		Free	Select any wavelength from 255 – 1700nm

# LVBF and Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS) Comparison

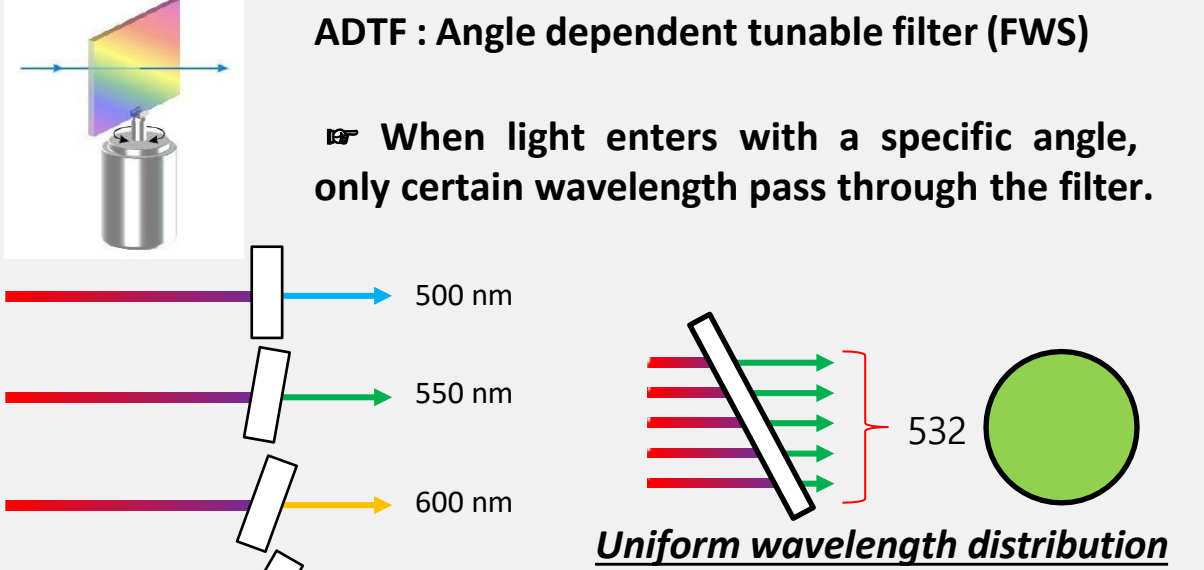


**LVBF : Linear variable bandpass filter**

☛ When light enters a specific location, only certain wavelength pass through the filter.

500 nm  
550 nm  
600 nm  
650 nm

Differences in precision occur depending on beam size



**ADTF : Angle dependent tunable filter (FWS)**

☛ When light enters with a specific angle, only certain wavelength pass through the filter.

500 nm  
550 nm  
600 nm  
650 nm

532

Uniform wavelength distribution

## Advantages

- High transmission
- High damage threshold
- Polarization insensitive

## Disadvantages

- Poor edge steepness
- Slow tuning speed
- Limited tuning Range
- Limit of precision

## Advantages

- High transmission
- Wide tuning Range
- High edge steepness : narrow FWHM
- High out of band blocking

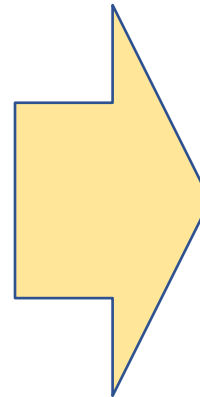
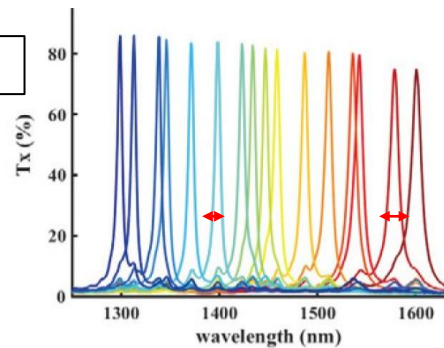
# Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS) Strength

“The ONLY tunable bandpass filter that adjusts bandwidth uniformly across all wavelengths.”

*Accurate and adjustable bandwidth*

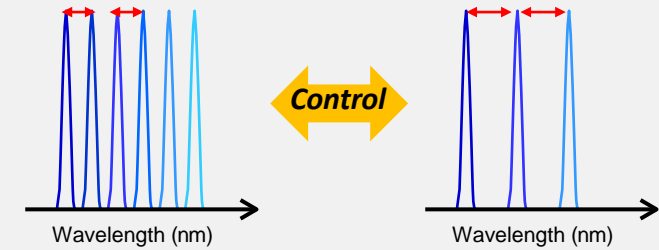
**Others : Irregular Bandwidth**

**Irregular bandwidth**

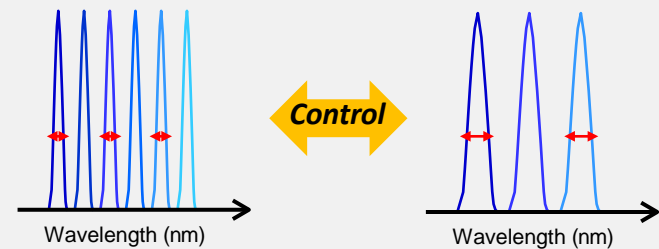


**FWS : Regular CWL & Bandwidth control**

**Constant Center Wavelength**



**Constant Adjustable bandwidth**

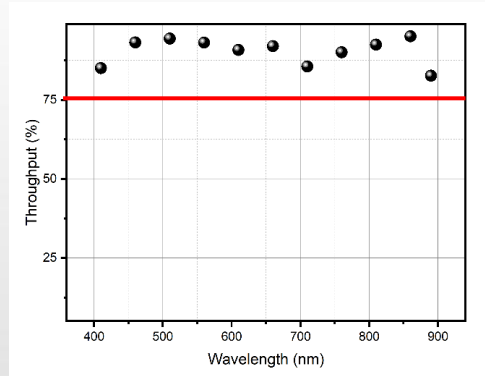


# Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS) Strength

Twinfilm™ technology surpasses the competition and exudes unparalleled sophistication.

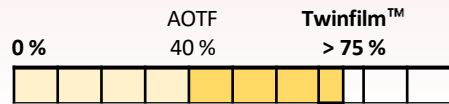
## High transmission efficiency

More than 75% transmission efficiency at all wavelength

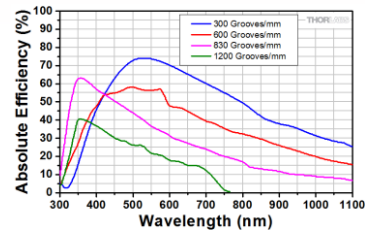


competitiveness “ Transmission efficiency (%) ”

- competitive technology ✓ Uneven efficiency by wavelength
- competitive technology ✓ Low efficiency

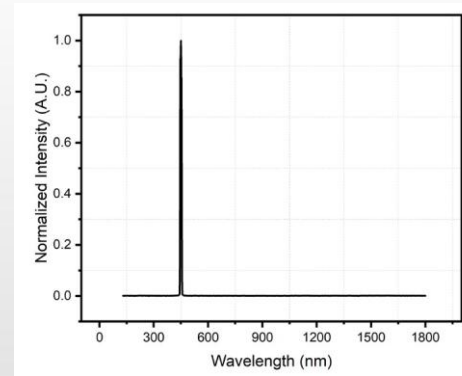


Grating



## Select the desired wavelength

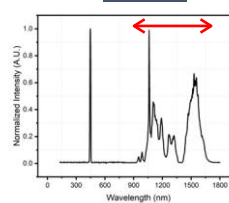
Extract only the input wavelength



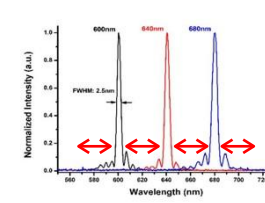
competitiveness “ Out of band suppression ”

- competitive technology ✓ Unwanted wavelength detection
- competitive technology ✓ Side lobes occur

Filter

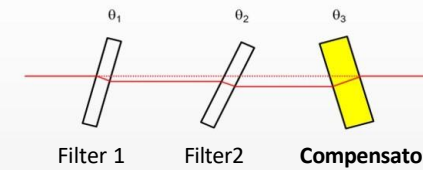


AOTF



## No distortion

With no distortion, it can apply various imaging methods.

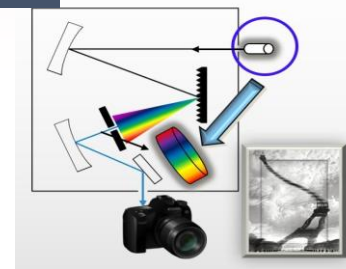


The compensator prevents the beam path from becoming distorted and maintains good pointing stability.

competitiveness “ Distortion free ”

- competitive technology ✓ Distortion occurs by selecting the wavelength through a slit.

Monochromator



# Flexible Wavelength Selector (FWS) Poly type



FWS-Poly-Red

## More Precise

- ✓ FWHM adjustable  
2 – 15 nm (nominal)

## Precise bandwidth control

### Applications

- Sensor Calibration
- Hyperspectral Imaging
- Fluorescence Imaging

## Common Specifications

### 1. Broadband spectral range

255 – 1700 nm

### 2. High damage threshold

< 2 MW/cm<sup>2</sup> (CW)

### 3. High throughput

> 75 %

### 4. Diverse aperture size

5 or 10 mm

### 5. Great out of band blocking

FWS-Poly- <u>Red</u>	FWS-Poly- <u>Blue</u>
OD 10 up to 1700 nm	OD 5 in tuning range, OD 10 in spectral range up to 1700 nm

### 6. Does not affect beam shape

Distortion free



FWS-Poly-Blue

- ✓ FWHM fixed  
10 or 20 nm (nominal)

## Appropriate precision and improved output power

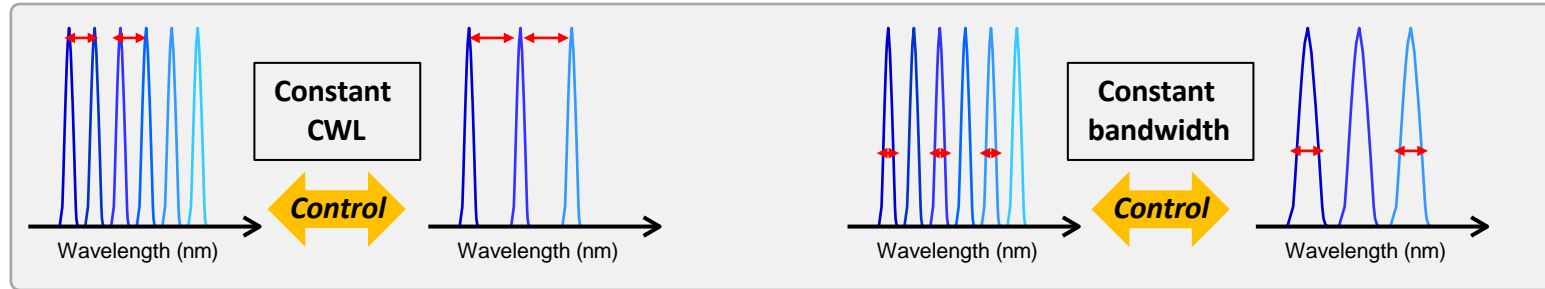
### Applications

- Light source for Inspection
- Multispectral Imaging
- Fluorescence Imaging

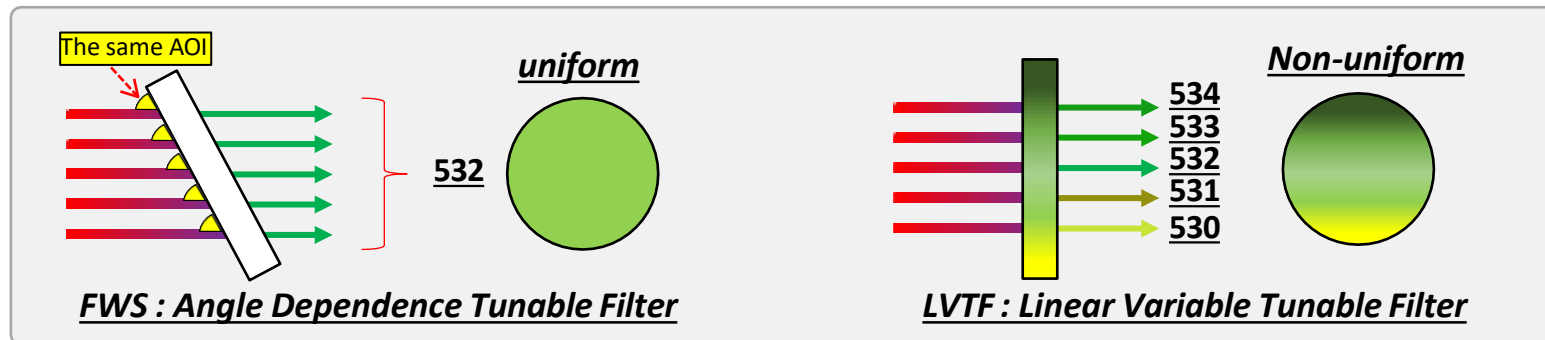
# Strongpoint of Tunable Laser System (TLS) using FWS

1. Broadband tunability up to SWIR (410 - 1700 nm) with one-box system

2. Accurate and adjustable bandwidth control using S/W : Regular CWL & Bandwidth



3. Uniform wavelength distribution inside the beam



4. Free customization of wavelength and output power range according to users needs



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