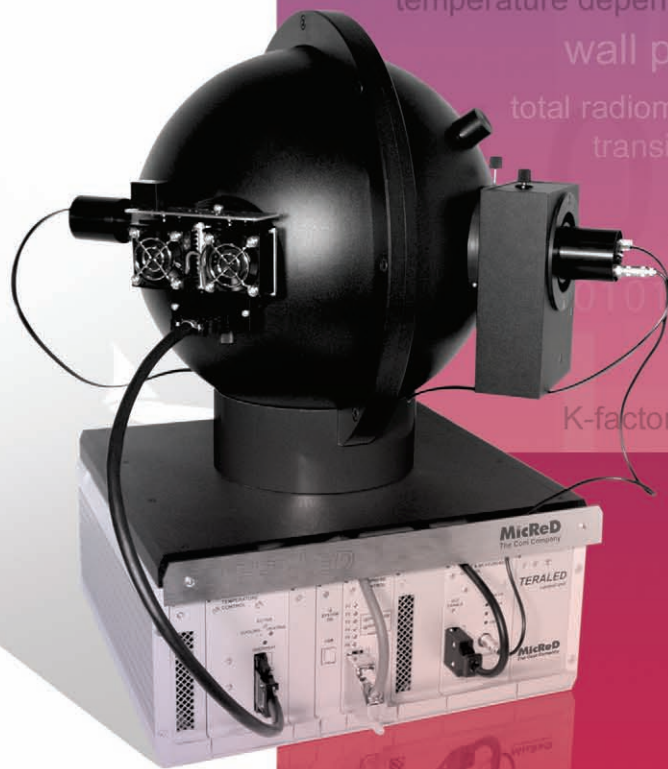


# TERALED™

Thermal  
and Radiometric  
Characterization of LEDs



temperature dependence

wall plug efficiency

total radiometric flux

transient measurements

thermal  
resistance

chromaticity

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## Why choose TERALED?



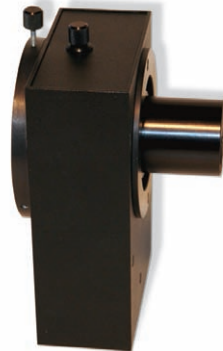
TERALED has been developed specifically in response to demand from leading LED manufacturers, and provides a unique, complete solution for LED testing. This **integrated system** is *scalable* with low initial investment. You can start with just a stand-alone TERALED system to measure the **total radiometric flux** as well as *luminous flux* and *chromaticity coordinates*. Combining TERALED and T3Ster, thermal transient measurements produce **real thermal metrics** considering the emitted light as well as highly accurate *structure functions* which provide detailed internal information for power LED packages revealing die-attach failures and other structural integrity problems.

## What is TERALED?

TERALED provides combined thermal and radiometric/photometric characterization of high-power LEDs. The system can be used as a stand-alone optical measurement system for LEDs, or as an add-on to the MicReD® T3Ster® equipment. The optical measurements are performed in thermal steady-state. Once they are completed, the LED under test is switched off and its cooling transient is measured by the T3Ster® equipment.

## TERALED hardware

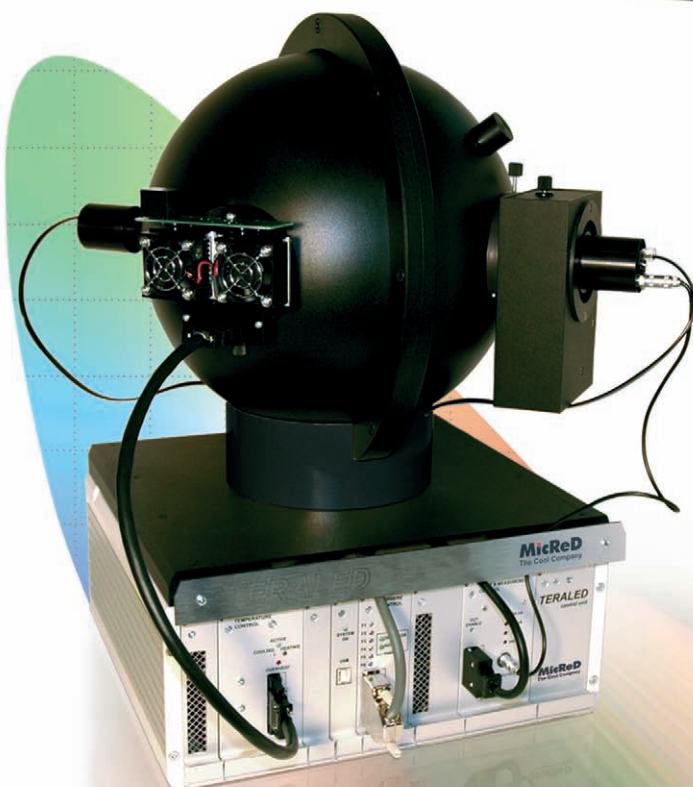
TERALED hardware contains photometric and radiometric measurement incorporating a high precision detector and reference light source, complete with control electronics.



A **filter bank** (to the left) with up to 6 different filters and a **temperature stabilized detector head** fits into the detector port of the TERALED sphere. Change of the filters is computer controlled through the TERALED electronics.

A **300 mm diameter integrating sphere** hosts the temperature stabilized DUT fixture, the reference LED and a detector head with a bank of different filters. A fiber optics port allows attachment of external devices such as a spectrometer.

The TERALED **control electronics** interfaces all devices attached to the sphere with the measurement control computer. Through biasing the LED under test it allows a stand-alone operation. Combined thermal and radiometric measurements are possible when the biasing of the LED under test is provided by the T3Ster equipment.



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## TERALED software

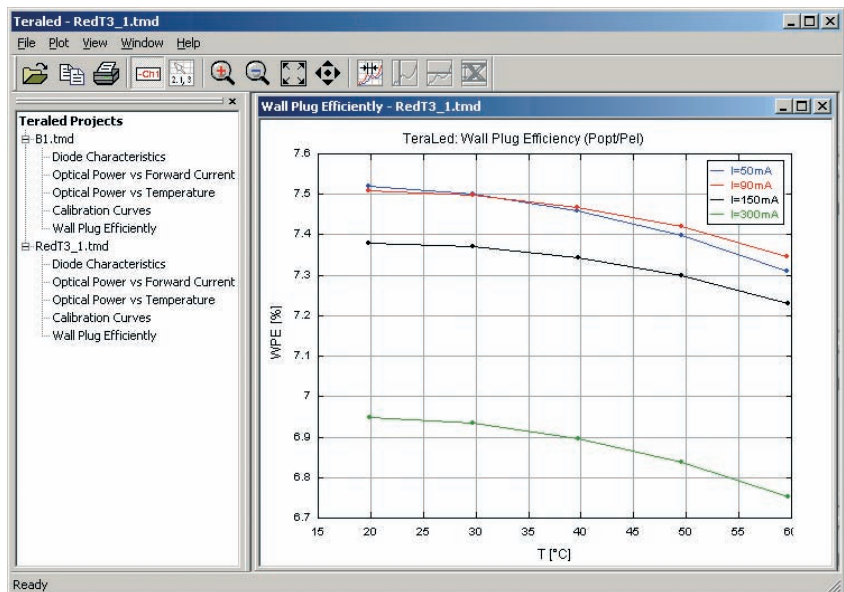


A single, **temperature and current stabilized white reference LED** is used to calibrate the optical measurement setup for self absorption. The operation of the reference LED is controlled by the **TERALED** software.

**Temperature stabilized LED fixture** has a mounting area of **40x40 mm<sup>2</sup>** and is capable of sinking heat up to **10 W**. This Peltier-based device is controlled by the **TERALED** electronics. Its temperature can be programmed in the **TERALED** software between **10 °C and 90 °C**. This fixture is attached to the DUT fixture port of the **TERALED** integrating sphere.



The **TERALED** software automates procedures like measurement of emitted flux (photometric or radiometric), efficiency or color coordinates as function of temperature and/or operating current. The LEDs' electrical characteristics as well as thermal calibration diagrams are also measured. Results are presented in form of plots like in the **T3Ster** software.



### MEASUREMENT OPTIONS WITH THE TERALED SYSTEM:

#### **K-factor calibration of the LED under test**

- for sensor current level (1 mA .. 25 mA range)
- for operating point current levels (up to 2 A)

#### **Photometric and/or radiometric measurements in equilibrium**

The LED under test is measured in a stabilized state at a programmed current and at a programmed temperature. Depending on the filter in use

- total luminous flux (filter matched to the CIE  $V(\lambda)$  or  $V'(\lambda)$  function within 1.5%),
- total radiometric flux,
- X, Y, Z tristimulus values

can be measured.

#### **Measurement of optical properties as function of temperature & operating current**

#### **Measurement of efficiency**

**Combined with the T3Ster equipment** JEDEC compliant **thermal metrics** of the LED are identified, considering the actual emitted optical power. After having measured  $R_{thJA}$  of the LED under test temperature dependence of **optical parameters** is provided **as functions of the exact junction temperature**.

**FURTHER DETAILS:**  
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