# photobiologyWavebands Version 0.4.1.9000 User Guide

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## 1 Introduction

This package provides constructors for waveband objects, a class defined in package photobiology. These are convenience functions that allow definition of ranges of wavelengths and biological spectral weighting functions (BSWFs) following definitions in common use, CIE recommendations and ISO standards.

## 2 Waveband constructors for ranges

Functions for several colour bands, in some cases according to different optional definitions, are listed in Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4.

```
Red()
## Red.ISO
## low (nm) 610
## high (nm) 760
## weighted none
PAR()
## PAR
## low (nm) 400
## high (nm) 700
## weighted none
UV()
## UV.ISO
## low (nm) 100
## high (nm) 400
## weighted none
IR()
## IR.ISO
## low (nm) 780
## high (nm) 1e+06
## weighted none
```

Table 1: Functions in R package photobiology Wavebands used for constructing descriptors of ultraviolet wavebands used for calculation of irradiances or exposures. The boundaries of the band given as wavelengths in nm ( $\lambda$ ). Definition according to ISO-21348 "ISO" is the default for all functions except UVA1() and UVA2() for which there is only one definition in common use "CIE" which is the default.

Waveband	Source	Dose or irrad.	Waveband (nm)
Ultraviolet			
UV	ISO-21348	UV("ISO")	$100 \le \lambda < 400$
UV-C UV-C UV-C	ISO-21348 n.a. n.a.	UVC("ISO") UVC("medical") UVC("none")	$100 \le \lambda < 280$ $220 \le \lambda < 290$ $200 \le \lambda < 280$
UV-B UV-B	ISO-21348 n.a.	UVB("ISO") UVB("none")	$280 \le \lambda < 315$ $280 \le \lambda < 320$
UV-A UV-A UV-A	ISO-21348 CIE n.a.	UVA("ISO") UVA("CIE") UVA("none")	$315 \le \lambda < 400$ $315 \le \lambda < 400$ $320 \le \lambda < 400$
UV-A1	CIE	UVA1("CIE")	$315 \le \lambda < 340$
UV-A2	CIE	UVA2("CIE")	$340 \le \lambda < 400$
Arbitrary	n.a.	new_waveband(lo,hi)	$lo \leq \lambda < hi$

Constructors of lists of waveband definitions frequently used together are also defined in the package (Table 5).

```
UV_bands()
## [[1]]
## UVC.ISO
## low (nm) 100
## high (nm) 280
## weighted none
##
## [[2]]
## UVB.ISO
## low (nm) 280
## high (nm) 315
## weighted none
##
## [[3]]
## UVA.ISO
## low (nm) 315
## high (nm) 400
## weighted none
```

Table 2: Functions in R package photobiology Wavebands used for constructing descriptors of visible wavebands used for calculation of irradiances or exposures. The boundaries of the band given as wavelengths in nm ( $\lambda$ ). Definition according to ISO-21348 "ISO" is the default for all functions except PAR() for which there is only one definition in common use "Plant" which is the default.

Waveband	Source	Dose or irrad.	Waveband (nm)
Visible			
Visible	ISO-21348	VIS("ISO")	$380 \le \lambda < 760$
Photosynthesis	n.a.	PAR("Plant")	$400 \le \lambda < 700$
Purple	ISO-21348	Purple("ISO")	$360 \le \lambda < 450$
Blue Blue	Sellaro ISO-21348	Blue("Sellaro") Blue("ISO")	$420 \le \lambda < 490$ $450 \le \lambda < 500$
Green Green	Sellaro ISO-21348	Green("Sellaro") Green("ISO")	$500 \le \lambda < 570$ $500 \le \lambda < 570$
Yellow	ISO-21348	Yellow("ISO")	$570 \le \lambda < 591$
Orange	ISO-21348	Orange("ISO")	$591 \le \lambda < 610$
Red	ISO-21348	Red("ISO")	$610 < \lambda < 760$
Red	Smith	Red("Smith10")	$655 \le \lambda < 665$
Red	Smith ?	Red("Smith20")	$650 \le \lambda < 670$
Red	Inada	Red("Inada")	$600 \le \lambda < 700$
Red	Warrington	Red("Warrington")	$625 \le \lambda < 675$
Red	Sellaro	Red("Sellaro")	$620 \le \lambda < 680$
Far-red	Smith10	Far_red("Smith")	$725 \le \lambda < 735$
Far-red	Smith20	<pre>Far_red("Smith")</pre>	$720 \le \lambda < 740$
Far-Red	Inada	Red("Inada")	$700 \le \lambda < 800$
Far-Red	Warrington	<pre>Red("Warrington")</pre>	$700 \le \lambda < 850$
Far-red	Sellaro	Far_red("Sellaro")	$700 \leq \lambda < 750$
Far-red	BTV	<pre>Far_red("BTV")</pre>	$700 \le \lambda < 760$
Arbitrary	n.a.	new_waveband(lo,hi)	$lo \le \lambda < hi$

Table 3: Functions in R package photobiologyWavebands used for constructing descriptors of infrared wavebands used for calculation of irradiances or exposures. The boundaries of the band are given as wavelengths in nm ( $\lambda$ ). Definition according to ISO-20473, "ISO" is the default for all functions except IRA(), IRB(), IRC() are defined based on CIE recommendations.

Waveband	Source	Dose or irrad.	Waveband (nm)
Infrared			
IR	ISO-20473	IR("ISO")	$780 \le \lambda < 1 \times 10^6$
NIR	ISO-20473	NIR("ISO")	$780 \le \lambda < 3000$
MIR	ISO-20473	IR("ISO")	$3000 \le \lambda < 50000$
FIR	ISO-20473	IR("ISO")	$5000 \le \lambda < 1 \times 10^6$
IR	CIE	IR("CIE")	$700 \le \lambda < 1 \times 10^6$
IR-A	CIE	IRA("CIE")	$780 \le \lambda < 1400$
IR-B	CIE	IRB("CIE")	$1400 \le \lambda < 3000$
IR-C	CIE	<pre>IRC("CIE")</pre>	$3000 \le \lambda < 1 \times 10^6$
SWIR	n.a.	SWIR()	$1400 \le \lambda < 3000$
Arbitrary	n.a.	new_waveband(lo,hi)	$lo \le \lambda < hi$

```
VIS_bands()
## [[1]]
## Purple.ISO
## low (nm) 360
## high (nm) 450
## weighted none
## [[2]]
## Blue.ISO
## low (nm) 450
## high (nm) 500
## weighted none
## [[3]]
## Green.ISO
## low (nm) 500
## high (nm) 570
## weighted none
##
## [[4]]
## Yellow.ISO
## low (nm) 570
## high (nm) 591
## weighted none
## [[5]]
## Orange.ISO
## low (nm) 591
## high (nm) 610
## weighted none
```

Table 4: Functions in R package photobiology Wavebands used for constructing descriptors of Landsat-imager wavebands. The boundaries of the band are given as wavelengths in nm  $(\lambda)$ . Definitions follow NASA and USGS documentation for boundaries at half maximum (HM).

Waveband	imager	constructor	Wavelengths (nm)
Landsat	- 0 -		
Purple/Coastal	OLI	Purple("LandsatOLI")	$433 \le \lambda < 453$
Blue	TM	Blue("LandsatTM")	$450 < \lambda < 520$
Blue	ETM	Blue("LandsatETM")	$450 \stackrel{-}{\leq} \lambda < 520$
Blue	OLI	Blue("LandsatOLI")	$450 \stackrel{-}{\leq} \lambda < 515$
Green	RBV	Green("LandsatRBV")	$480 \le \lambda < 580$
Green	MSS	<pre>Green("LandsatMSS")</pre>	$500 \le \lambda < 600$
Green	TM	<pre>Green("LandsatTM")</pre>	$520 \le \lambda < 600$
Green	ETM	<pre>Green("LandsatETM")</pre>	$520 \le \lambda < 600$
Green	OLI	<pre>Green("LandsatOLI")</pre>	$525 \le \lambda < 600$
Red	RBV	Red("LandsatRBV")	$580 \le \lambda < 680$
Red	MSS	Red("LandsatMSS")	$600 \le \lambda < 700$
Red	TM	Red("LandsatTM")	$630 \le \lambda < 690$
Red	ETM	<pre>Red("LandsatETM")</pre>	$630 \le \lambda < 690$
Red	OLI	Red("LandsatOLI")	$630 \le \lambda < 680$
NIR	RBV	NIR("LandsatRBV")	$700 \le \lambda < 830$
NIR	MSS	<pre>NIR("LandsatMSS")</pre>	$800 \le \lambda < 1100$
NIR	TM	<pre>NIR("LandsatTM")</pre>	$760 \le \lambda < 900$
NIR	ETM	NIR("LandsatETM")	$760 \le \lambda < 900$
NIR	OLI	<pre>NIR("LandsatOLI")</pre>	$845 \le \lambda < 885$
SWIR1	TM	SWIR("LandsatTM")	$1550 \le \lambda < 1750$
SWIR1	ETM	<pre>SWIR("LandsatETM")</pre>	$1550 \le \lambda < 1750$
SWIR1	OLI	<pre>SWIR("LandsatOLI")</pre>	$1560 \le \lambda < 1660$
SWIR2	TM	SWIR("LandsatTM")	$2080 \le \lambda < 2350$
SWIR2	ETM	<pre>SWIR("LandsatETM")</pre>	$2080 \le \lambda < 2350$
SWIR2	OLI	<pre>SWIR("LandsatOLI")</pre>	$2100 \le \lambda < 2300$
TIR1	TIRS	TIR1("LandsatTIRS")	$10600 \le \lambda < 11200$
TIR2	TM	TIR2("LandsatTM")	$10400 \le \lambda < 12500$
TIR2	ETM	TIR2("LandsatETM")	$10400 \le \lambda < 12500$
TIR2	TIRS	TIR2("LandsatTIRS")	$11500 \le \lambda < 12500$

```
##
## [[6]]
## Red.ISO
## low (nm) 610
## high (nm) 760
## weighted none
```

```
IR_bands()
## [[1]]
## NIR.ISO
## low (nm) 780
## high (nm) 3000
## weighted none
## [[2]]
## MIR.ISO
## low (nm) 3000
## high (nm) 50000
## weighted none
##
## [[3]]
## FIR.ISO
## low (nm) 50000
## high (nm) 1e+06
## weighted none
```

Additional constructors are provided for Landsat missions, for example the list of wavebands used in mission Landsat 1 can be created directly.

```
Landsat_bands("L1")
## [[1]]
## Green.LandsatRBV
## low (nm) 480
## high (nm) 580
## weighted none
## [[2]]
## Red.LandsatRBV
## low (nm) 580
## high (nm) 680
## weighted none
##
## [[3]]
## NIR.LandsatRBV
## low (nm) 700
## high (nm) 830
## weighted none
## [[4]]
## Green.LandsatMSS
## low (nm) 500
## high (nm) 600
## weighted none
```

Table 5: Functions in R package photobiologyWavebands used for constructing lists descriptors of wavebands used for calculation of irradiances or exposures.

Waveband	Source	Function	std values used
UV defs.	ISO-21348	UV_bands("ISO")	"ISO"
UV defs.	CIE	UV_bands("CIE")	"CIE"
UV defs.	n.a.	UV_bands("medical")	" medical"
UV defs.	n.a.	UV_bands("none")	"none"
VIS defs.	ISO-21348	VIS_bands("ISO")	"ISO"
IR defs.	ISO-20473	<pre>IR_bands("ISO")</pre>	"ISO"
IR defs.	CIE	IR_bands("CIE")	"CIE"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("sensory20")	"ISO", "Sellaro" and "Smith20"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("sensory")	"ISO", "Sellaro" and "Smith20"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("sensory10")	"ISO", "Sellaro" and "Smith10"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("")	"ISO" and "McCree"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("energy")	"ISO" and "McCree"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("photon")	"ISO" and "McCree"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("ISO")	"ISO" and "McCree"
Plant sens.	n.a.	Plant_bands("CIE")	"CIE" and "McCree"
Landsat	NASA/USGS	Landsat_bands("L8")	Landsat 8 mission
Landsat	NASA/USGS	${ t Landsat\_bands("L}x")}$	Landsat $x = 1 \dots 8$ missions

```
##
## [[5]]
## Red.LandsatMSS
## low (nm) 600
## high (nm) 700
## weighted none
##
## [[6]]
## NIR.LandsatMSS
## low (nm) 800
## high (nm) 1100
## weighted none
```

## 3 Calculating irradiances

An example using sun\_spct included in package photobiology. As the input spectral irradiance is units of  $W\,m^{-2}\,nm^{-1}$  the output is in  $\,mol\,m^{-2}\,s^{-1}$  or  $\,W\,m^{-2}$ .

```
e_irrad(sun.spct, UV()) # W m-2

## UV.ISO.tr.lo
## 28.62872
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy irradiance total"

q_irrad(sun.spct, UV()) * 1e6 # umol s-1 m-2
```

```
## UV.ISO.tr.lo
## 86.49506
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "photon irradiance total"
```

Irradiances for different wavebands can be grouped into a list of any length. If the list has named members, then these names are used instead of the default ones.

```
e_irrad(sun.spct, list(Blue(), VIS()))

## Blue.ISO VIS.ISO
## 37.55207 231.86345
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy irradiance total"

e_irrad(sun.spct, list(B = Blue(), VIS()))

## Blue.ISO VIS.ISO
## 37.55207 231.86345
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy irradiance total"
```

A few functions for generating coherent lists of wavebands are also defined (Table 5).

```
e_irrad(sun.spct, VIS_bands())

## Purple.ISO Blue.ISO Green.ISO Yellow.ISO
## 47.75529 37.55207 49.26860 13.67971

## Orange.ISO Red.ISO
## 12.00432 79.38159

## attr(,"time.unit")

## [1] "second"

## attr(,"radiation.unit")

## [1] "energy irradiance total"
```

#### 4 Photon ratios

Photon ratios can be calculated from any pair of waveband objects. This a convenient and very flexible way of doing this type of calculations.

```
q_ratio(sum.spct, Blue(), VIS())
## Blue.ISO: VIS.ISO(q:q)
```

```
## 0.1371157

## attr(,"radiation.unit")

## [1] "q:q ratio"
```

### 5 Effective irradiances and exposures

The waveband definitions and SWFs are stored in waveband objects, that can be created with function waveband. The same functions described above for unweighted irradiances are used to calculate effective irradiances and doses.

Currently functions for constructing waveband objects describing several BSWFs are implemented (see Table 6). These functions take three arguments in most cases as they have been used and continue to be used inconsistently in the scientific literature. By supplying these arguments different variations of the BSWFs can be obtained. The defaults used are those values which we consider best, usually the most frequently used ones, except in cases when we consider the use of those values problematic for the reliability of the calculations.

```
e_irrad(sun.spct, CIE())

## CIE98.298.tr.lo
## 0.08181583

## attr(,"time.unit")

## [1] "second"

## attr(,"radiation.unit")

## [1] "energy irradiance total"
```

## 6 Action spectra at given wavelengths

The functions available for calculating action spectra take as argument a vector of wavelengths, and return a vector of effectiveness (either quantum/photon or energy based) depending on how the original source describes them. These functions are listed in Table 7, and an example of their use follows.

```
# at 1 nm intervals
wavelengths1 <- 285:400
action.spectrum1 <- CIE_e_fun(wavelengths1)</pre>
```

All functions accept a wavelengths vector with variable and arbitrary step sizes, with the condition that the wavelengths are sorted in strictly increasing order.

In practice these functions are mainly used internally by the package, and very rarely in user code, as the same output can by obtained by multiplication of source\_spct objects by waveband objects.

Compare the following two plots,

source. Optionally they can be normalized to any wavelength within their non-zero range by providing the norm argument with a wavelength in nm. The range of wavelengths included when calculating integrals is given by w.low and w.high. The Table 6: Functions in R package photobiologyWavebands used for constructing waveband objects describing BSWFs used for calculation of effective irradiances or doses. The functions for BSWFs available in this package, are by default as in the original values in the table below are the defaults.

Action spectrum Formulation	Formulation	Constructor function	$_{\lambda  (nm)}^{norm}$	w.low $\lambda$ (nm)	w.high $\lambda$ (nm)
Gen. plant action	Green	GEN_G(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	275	313.3
Gen. plant action	Thimijan	GEN_T(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	275	345.0
Gen. plant action	Micheletti	GEN_M(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	275	313.3
Plant growth	Flint & Caldwell	PG(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	275	390.0
Erythemal	CIE98	CIE(norm, w.low, w.high)	298	250	400.0
ICNIRP	ICNIRP2004	ICNIRP(norm, w.low, w.high)	270	210	400.0
'Naked' DNA	TUV, from Setlow	DNA_N(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	250	400.0
'Naked' DNA	Green & Miller	DNA_GM(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	250	400.0
'Plant' DNA	Musil, from Quaite	DNA_P(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	250	400.0
Flavonoid	Ibdah	FLAV(norm, w.low, w.high)	300	275	346.0

Table 7: Biological spectral weighting functions predefined in R package photobiologyWavebands. The functions for BSWFs available in this package, implement the functions as defined in the original publications. When the original 'definition' is available as tabulated data, or we have tabulated it by digitizing a figure, the values returned are calculated by spline interpolation.

Action spectrum	Formulation	Function	Norm. $\lambda$ (nm)
Gen. plant action	Green	GEN_G_q_fun(w.length)	280
Gen. plant action	Thimijan	GEN_T_q_fun(w.length)	300
Gen. plant action	Micheletti	GEN_M_q_fun(w.length)	300
Plant growth	Flint & Caldwell	PG_q_fun(w.length)	300
Erythemal	CIE98	CIE_e_fun(w.length)	298
ICNIRP	ICNIRP2004	<pre>ICNIRP_e_fun(w.length)</pre>	270
'Naked' DNA	TUV, from Setlow	$DNA_N_q_fun(w.length)$	n.a.
'Naked' DNA	Green & Miller	DNA_GM_q_fun(w.length)	n.a.
'Plant' DNA	Musil, from Quaite	DNA_P_q_fun(w.length)	290
Flavonoid	Ibdah	$FLAV_q_fun(w.length)$	300

```
sun.spct * CIE()
## Object: source_spct [122 x 2]
## Wavelength range 280 to 400 nm, step 0.9230769 to 1 nm \,
## Time unit 1s
## Data weighted using 'CIE98.298' BSWF
## # A tibble: 122 × 2
##
    w.length s.e.irrad
##
       <dbl>
                <dbl>
## 1 280.0000
                   0
## 2 280.9231
## 3 281.8462
                     0
## 4
     282.7692
## 5 283.6923
## 6 284.6154
                     0
## 7 285.5385
## 8 286.4615
                     0
## 9 287.3846
## 10 288.3077
                      0
## # ... with 112 more rows
```

#### 7 Luminous flux

The luminous flux per unit are in lux can be calculated as follows using the original luminous efficiency function for the human eye using for defining the lumen. As we start with spectral irradiance we obtain luminous flux per unit area expressed in lux.

```
e_response(sun.spct * CIE1924_lef.spct) * photopic_sensitivity

## Total
## 49579.93
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy response total"
```

The luminous flux per unit area in lux can be calculated as follows using the latest luminous efficiency function for the human eye.

```
e_response(sun.spct * CIE2008_lef2deg.spct) * photopic_sensitivity

## Total
## 53057.78
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy response total"
```

As the luminous efficiency functions vary slightly in the wavelength at which the maximum is located, and the wavelength used for the sensitivity constant is fixed by the definition of the Lumen, a small correction is need for exact results.

An equivalent quantity can be calculated for scotopic vision, using the corresponding function and constant.

```
e_response(sun.spct * 1e-6 * CIE1951_scotopic_lef.spct) * scotopic_sensitivity

## Total
## 0.1186256
## attr(,"time.unit")
## [1] "second"
## attr(,"radiation.unit")
## [1] "energy response total"
```