

SHORT COMMUNICATION

Corrigendum to “Improved Silicon Optical Parameters at 25°C, 295K and 300K including Temperature Coefficients” [Prog. Photovolt: Res. Appl. 2022; 30: 164–179]

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Four typographic errors have been noted in Table 1 of this paper¹ and the associated Excel file, namely:

1. At 370 nm, the 25°C value of alpha should be 7.117E5/cm (not 7.117E6/cm).
2. At 440 nm, the 300 K value of alpha should be 3.080E4/cm (not 3.080E40/cm).
3. At 1260 nm, the 300 K value of alpha should be 2.89E-04/cm (not 2.89E+00/cm).
4. At 1220 nm, the value of the real part of the index, n , should be 3.5195 (not “3.5195”).

Values at 400 nm additionally have been refined in view of a new data² point discussed below:

1. At 400 nm, alpha values at 25°C, 295 K, and 300 K have been updated from 9.496E4, 9.397E4, and 9.555E4/cm to 9.060E4, 8.966E4, and 9.117E4/cm, respectively, a 4.6% reduction.

These changes have been made in Sheet A of the new version of the associated Excel file labeled Version 1.2. Optical values appearing in Sheet B have also been corrected. At wavelengths where the reference spectra for photovoltaic measurements are defined, improved Catmull–Rom cubic spline interpolation³ has now been used to deduce values at wavelengths not appearing in Sheet A (tension 0.5).

The additional reportedly very accurate, experimental data point² was measured using picosecond ultrasound spectroscopy at 401.6 nm, a wavelength where ellipsometric techniques struggle to maintain accuracy and absorption coefficients are too high for transmission measurements. Reported 295 K values of n , k , and alpha are 5.5215 ± 0.0020 , 0.2679 ± 0.0020 , and $83\,800 \pm 500/\text{cm}$, respectively.²

The reported value of n is 0.6% lower than would be estimated from the tabulation, comfortably within the stated tabulation uncertainty range.¹ Accordingly, tabulated n values will not be changed to avoid disturbing their self-consistency. However, the new k and alpha values are both 6% lower than would be estimated from the earlier tabulation, just outside the stated uncertainty range.¹ As indicated in

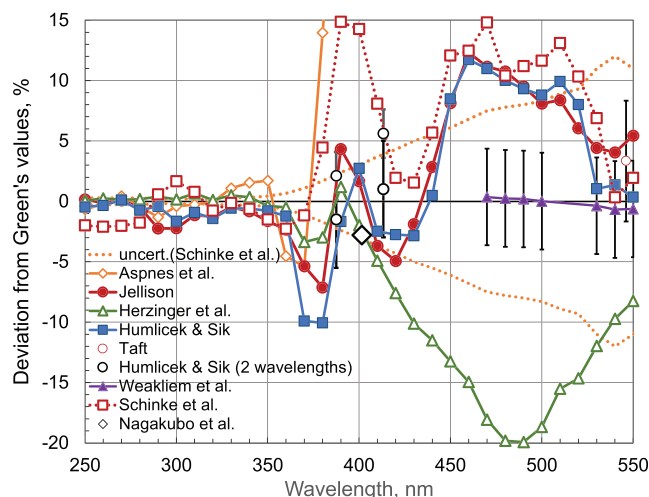


FIGURE 5 (revised): (b) More detailed plot of the differences between datasets over an extended wavelength range by plotting as the percentage difference from Green's 2008 dataset (extrapolated to 295 K). Uncertainty estimates of 5% in the Weakliem and Redfield data,⁶ regarded as the most accurate in their wavelength range, are also shown along with those of Schinke et al.⁷ Also shown (diamond near 400 nm) is the even more accurate data point of Nagakubo et al.,² with its size suggestive of the reported measurement uncertainty

the revised Figure 5B (above), the new α value is closest to the data of Herzinger et al.,⁴ which are now adopted over the slightly extended 250–400 nm wavelength range with the Humlíček and Šik⁵ data now used over the correspondingly restricted 410–460 nm range. This change necessitates an alteration only in the tabulated 400 nm value.

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DATA AVAILABILITY STATEMENT

Attached as (revised) Excel file.

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