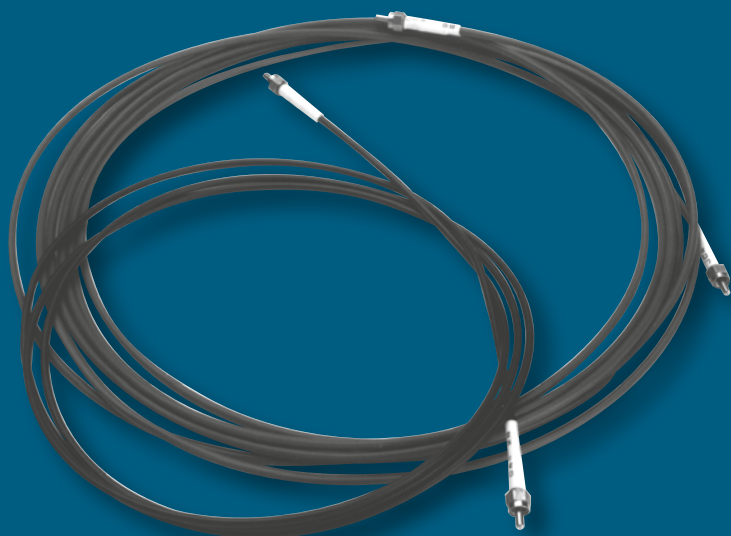


PRODUCT DATASHEET

# Fiber Optic Cable

Compatible with NIR and UV-VIS Analyzers



**More signal**

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**Less noise**

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**Better measurement**

- Designed specifically for process spectroscopy
- Intrinsically safe
- Brings the light to the sample

## Fiber Optic Cable Brings the Light to the Sample

Signal stability and low noise in remote spectroscopy depend upon fiber optics with high transmission. The transmission must be affected very little by environmental influences such as temperature, vibration, and ambient light levels. From a patented fiber design to our emphasis on high-quality materials, our spectroscopic grade optic cable is designed for the highest performance in transmission efficiency and durability. A polyimide coating and a patented silicone-based buffer protect the fiber. Some fiber optic cables also receive a tough outer jacket made of Tefzel™ and inner Kevlar™ strands for strength.

## Manufacturing High Performance NIR Process Fiber

All our optical fiber is constructed as a core-and cladding composite. The core – the filament that guides the light – consists of a thin strand of high-transmissivity fused silica. The cladding is an outer layer of doped, lower refractive index fused silica. This two-layer design keeps the light tightly confined to the central core of the fiber thus delivering a maximum amount of light at the far end. The diameter is tightly controlled during the drawing process. This produces a fiber that centers extremely well in connectors and has a very low loss rate per kilometer.

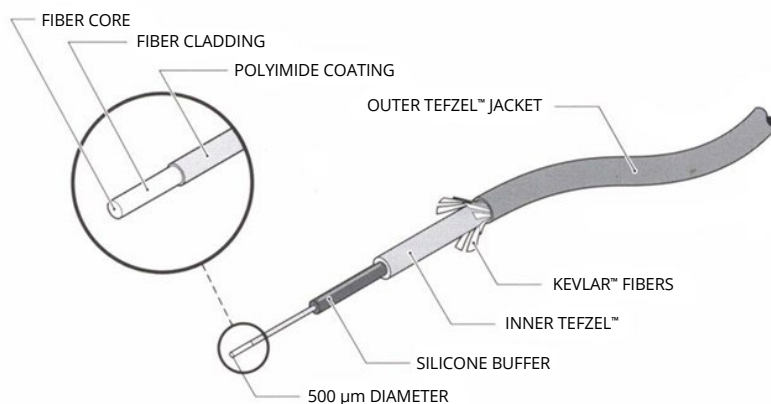
Unprotected silica fiber is quite fragile. To improve the NIR fiber's strength and flexibility, it is coated with a polyimide material during the drawing process. Then, another protective layer is added, a carbon-loaded buffer of silicone RTV (U.S. Patent #5,381,505). The buffer reduces stray light, both external ambient light that "leaks" through the jacket and internal stray light or "cladding" modes. Finally, we add an outer protective jacket. Our "process NIR fiber" – fiber optic cable for harsh environment applications or applications requiring long cable runs – receives a multi-layer jacket made of Tefzel and Kevlar. The "laboratory fiber" – intended for short laboratory-bench runs – can be supplied in PVC-coated steel monocoil jacket, steel armored BX jacket, or PVC-zip tubing.

## Two Kinds of Fiber Cable

We offer two different kinds of optical fiber optimized for your spectral region of interest. Each type can be jacketed as outlined above and terminated in SMA, ST, or FC style connectors. Cables and bare fiber are available in a variety of core diameters from 200  $\mu\text{m}$  to 600  $\mu\text{m}$  (contact us for alternatives). The type of cable chosen depends on the application:

- Ultra Low-OH fiber provides the lowest possible amount of internal light attenuation. It is appropriate for visible or near infrared (VIS-NIR) spectroscopy. It is especially effective for applications that require increased sensitivity in the spectral region near 1385 nm or where very long cables are necessary (> 150 m). This cable is effective over the spectral range from 400 nm to 2100 nm.
- Deep UV (UV-SR) fiber is intended for spectroscopy in the ultraviolet and visible (UV-VIS) regions – 190 nm to 800 nm. Typically, to avoid high attenuation, cable length is kept short, < 50 m. SR stands for solarization resistant. Fiber that is exposed to UV light forms f-centers which reduce the transmission of the fiber.

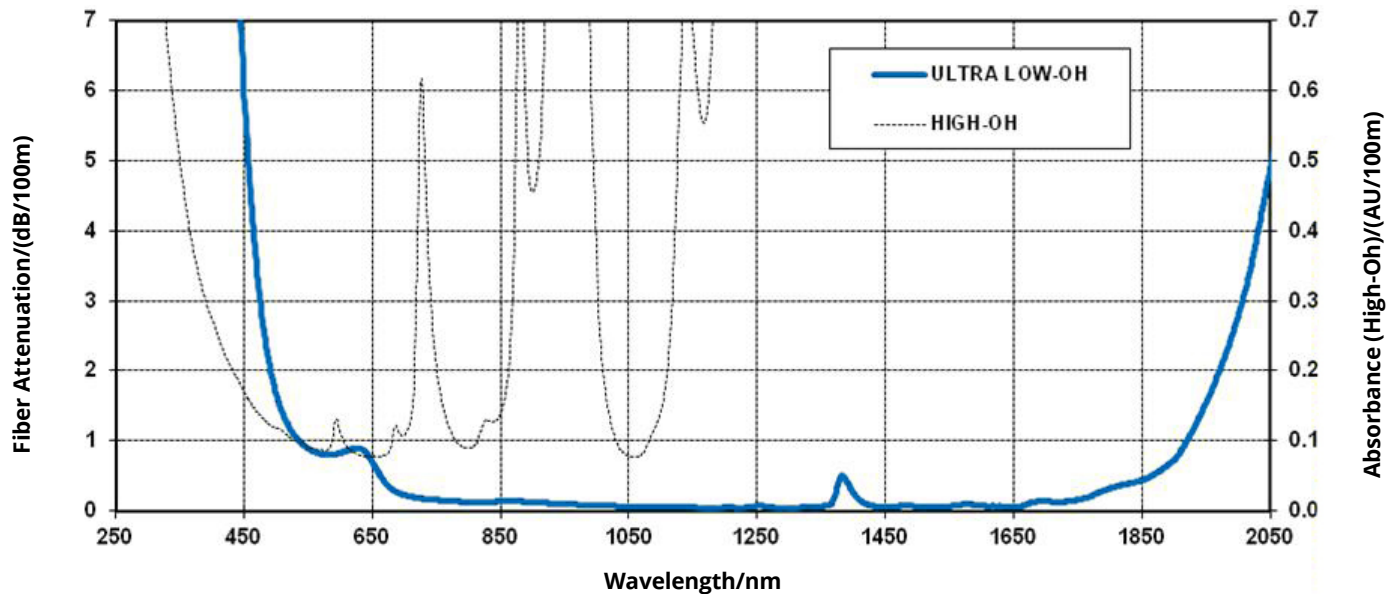
## Our Process Jacketed Fiber Optic Cable Anatomy



Specifications	Ultra Low-OH Fiber	Deep UV Fiber (UV-SR)
Spectral (Wavelength) Range:	400-2100 nm	200-850 nm
Typical Application:	VIS-NIR	UV-VIS
Typical Fiber Run (Length):	10 to 250 m	< 50 m
Maximum Temperature (Bare or Armored):	315 °C*	315 °C*
Maximum Temperature (Tefzel Jacket):	165 °C*	165 °C*
Maximum Temperature (PVC):	105 °C*	105 °C*
Minimum Temperature :	-20 °C**	-20 °C**
Core to Cladding Ratio Core Ø ≥ 200 µm:	1:1.1	1:1.1
Numerical Aperture (NA)	0.22 ± 0.02	0.22 ± 0.02
Core Diameter Tolerance Core Ø ≥ 200 µm	± 1.5% x Cladding Ø	± 1.5% x Cladding Ø
Total Diameter Tolerance (Polyimide)	± 10 µm	± 20 µm
Baseline Attenuation (Unjacketed)	≤ 3 dB/km @ 1550 nm	< 1 dB/m @ 200 nm
Attenuation Difference (1385 nm – 1550 nm)	< 5 dB/km	NA

\* If High-Temp Epoxy is used for termination. \*\* Contact us for alternatives.

## Performance Characteristics of GW Fiber



### Fiber Jacketing Options

- Process fiber cable: Tefzel-Kevlar
- Laboratory fiber cable: PVC-coated, steel monocoil jacket
- Armored fiber cable: Steel BX Armor with PVC Jacket (150 meter max length)\*\*

### Fiber Termination Options

- SMA 905
- FC
- Custom (call Process Insights)
- Bifurcated (call Process Insights)
- Unterminated

### Available Diameters – Core/Cladding/Polyimide

- 200/220/239 µm (15 meter maximum length)
- 400/440/480 µm
- 500/550/590 µm
- 600/660/710 µm

### Optional Accessories

- SMA 905 and FC Bulkhead Unions
- SMA 905 to FC Adapter, ST Adapter
- Fiber Termination Kit and accessories
- Calibrated torque wrench for SMA 905 connectors

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