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# Deep-ultraviolet photonics for the disinfection of SARS-CoV-2 and its variants (Delta and Omicron) in the cryogenic environment

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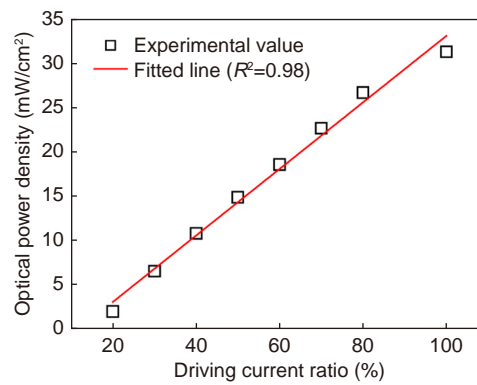
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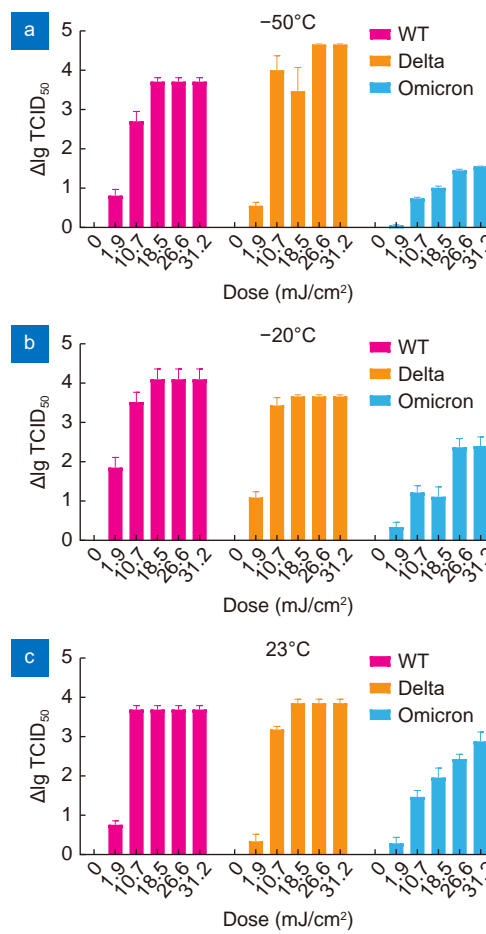
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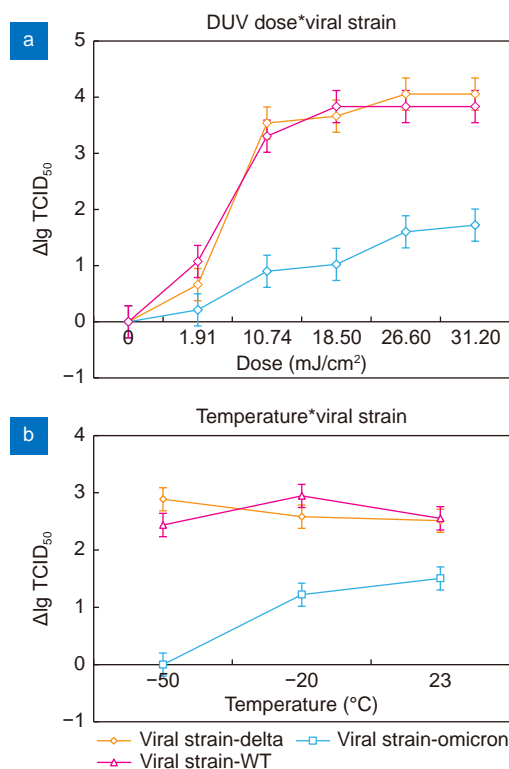
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**Fig. S1 |** The current ratio (the total current value was 3 Amperes) dependent power density of the DUV light source, which was measured at the center of the irradiation area and 4.5 cm away from the DUV LED arrays.



**Fig. S2 |** The reduction of TCID<sub>50</sub> (averaged values ± standard error) on SARS-CoV-2 and its variants at different temperatures. (a) -50 °C. (b) -20 °C. (c) 23 °C.



**Fig. S3 | The reduction of TCID<sub>50</sub> (averaged values ± standard error) on SARS-CoV-2.** (a) DUV dose\*Viral strain, where data of different temperatures were averaged. (b) Temperature\*Viral strain, where data of different DUV doses were averaged.

**Table S1 | Physicochemical property of S protein of SARS-CoV-2 WT and Omicron<sup>1</sup>.**

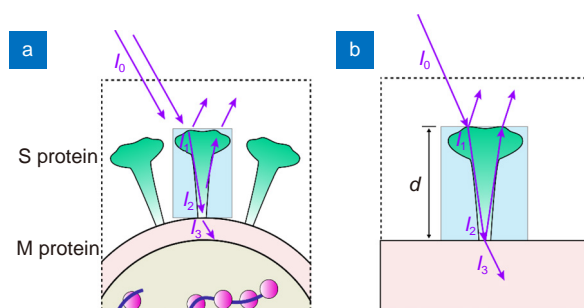
Viral strain	Published by	State	RCSB PDB ID <sup>2</sup>	PDB DOI <sup>2</sup>	Number of amino acids	Isoelectric point	Extinction coefficient at 280 nm (1 mg/ml) <sup>3</sup>	Extinction coefficient at 280 nm (1 mg/ml) <sup>4</sup>
WT	Cell (2020) 181: 281	Open	6VYB	10.2210/pdb6VYB/pdb	1281	6.04	0.982	0.968
	DOI: 10.1016/j.cell.2020.02.058	Close	6VXX	10.2210/pdb6VXX/pdb	1281	6.09	0.982	0.968
Omicron	Nat Commun (2022) 13: 1214-1214	Open	7TGX	10.2210/pdb7TGX/pdb	1234	6.37	1.003	0.990
	DOI: 10.1038/s41467-022-28882-9	Close	7TGY	10.2210/pdb7TGY/pdb	1234	6.37	1.003	0.990

<sup>1</sup> Calculated by the ExPASy – ProtParam tool (<https://web.expasy.org/protparam/>).

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.rcsb.org/>.

<sup>3</sup> Assuming all pairs of cysteine residues form cystines.

<sup>4</sup> Assuming all cysteine residues are reduced.



**Fig. S4 | (a) Illustration of the light transport on the surface of SARS-CoV-2 virion and (b) The simplified light transport model for analysis.**

**Note:** In view of the light absorption and scattering/reflecting effect of the S protein, the light transport model can be simplified as in Figure S4b. Assuming that the initial light intensity (irradiated on the surface of S protein) was  $I_0$  and

the extinction coefficient of S protein was  $k$ . For normal incidence from the air, the reflected light part ( $R$ ) could be expressed as<sup>5</sup>:

$$R = \frac{(n-1)^2 + k^2}{(n+1)^2 + k^2}, \quad (\text{S1})$$

where  $n$  is the real part of the complex refractive index. Thus, the transmitted part of the light ( $I_1$ ) can be expressed as:

$$I_1 = I_0(1 - R) = I_0 \frac{(n+1)^2 - (n-1)^2}{(n+1)^2 + k^2} = I_0 \frac{4n}{(n+1)^2 + k^2}, \quad (\text{S2})$$

According to the thin-film optics theory, the light passes through the S protein to reach the M protein could be calculated by:  $I_3 = I_0(1-R)^2 \exp(-2\omega dk/c)$ , where  $\omega$  is the angular frequency of light,  $d$  is the equivalent thickness of S protein, and  $c$  is the speed of light in vacuum. Therefore, the  $k$  played an important modulation role in the incident of light getting into the virus, and a larger  $k$  would lead to a reduction in the actual received dose of viral RNA chains.

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<sup>5</sup> Stenzel, O. *Optical Coatings*. (Springer Berlin, Heidelberg, 2014).