

Materion Barr Precision Optics & Thin Film Coatings provides a broad array of technologies including complex optical filters, filter arrays, lens coatings and optical thin film component assemblies. Diverse markets are composed of: commercial, defense, life sciences & medical, thermal imaging, and space, science & astronomy industries.

Imaging IRB Filter

The Challenge

Materion Barr Precision Optics & Thin Film Coatings has developed a new generation of low defect infrared blocking (IRB) filters for CCD/CMOS optical sensors utilized in cellular phones, digital still cameras and PC-video cameras. Integrated into the sensor package, the filters are designed to provide you the highest blocking of IR-radiation with optimized color balance available. Our color neutral IRB filters replace IR-absorbing glass, thus increasing overall transmission and reducing assembly size and cost. Filters are available with anti-reflection (AR) coatings for maximum transmission.

Benefits

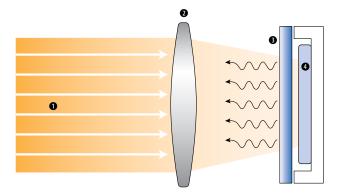
- Low defect density allows IR filter lid integration
- Cost effective solution for low cost sensors
- Excellent IR-blocking
- Reduced filter thickness for more compact CCD/CMOS devices
- Optimized spectral performance
- Steep cut-on/cut-off slopes
- Replacement of absorbing glass
- Customized designs possible

Applications

IRB filters remove infrared radiation and improve signal-to-noise ratio in CCD/CMOS systems. Filters can be:

- Integrated in CCD/CMOS sensor package
- Placed in the optical path

Schematic of filter integration to sensor package



- 1 Visible + IR light
- 3 IR-blocking filter
- 2 Lens
- Sensor



Technical Data

Spectral specifications

 Three basic spectral designs are available as well as specific customer designs

IRB-I

Broadband high blocking IR filter

IRB-2

■ High performance IR-blocking filter

IRB-3

Low cost IR-blocking filter

AR coatings

Available on second surface of IRB-2 and IRB-3 filters

Glass

• e.g. low defect borosilicate glass

Size

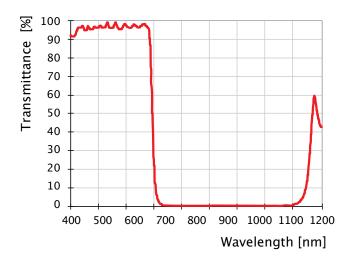
- Common CCD/CMOS and custom sizes
- Thickness: 0.7/0.4/0.3mm and customized thickness

Options

 IRB filters can be supplied with metallic aperture defined by lithographyTested to MIL-C-14806

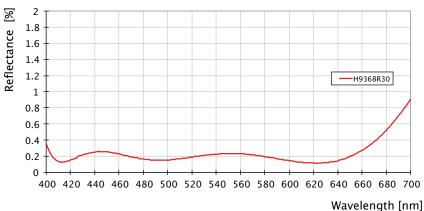


IRB-I: Broadband high blocking IR filter



- T abs. > 65% 400-420 nm
- T avg. > 85% 420-640 nm
- T = 50% 660±10 nm
- T abs. < 0.5% 720-1100 nm
- T avg. < 0.3% 720-1000 nm

AR coating (AOI 15°)



- R abs. < 2% 400–430 nm
- R avg. < 0.6% 430-630 nm
- R abs. < 2% 630-680 nm

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