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Advanced Integrated Scanning Tools for Nano-Technology

Nanofinder[®] 30 - AIST-NTTM

Confocal Raman / AFM combined system



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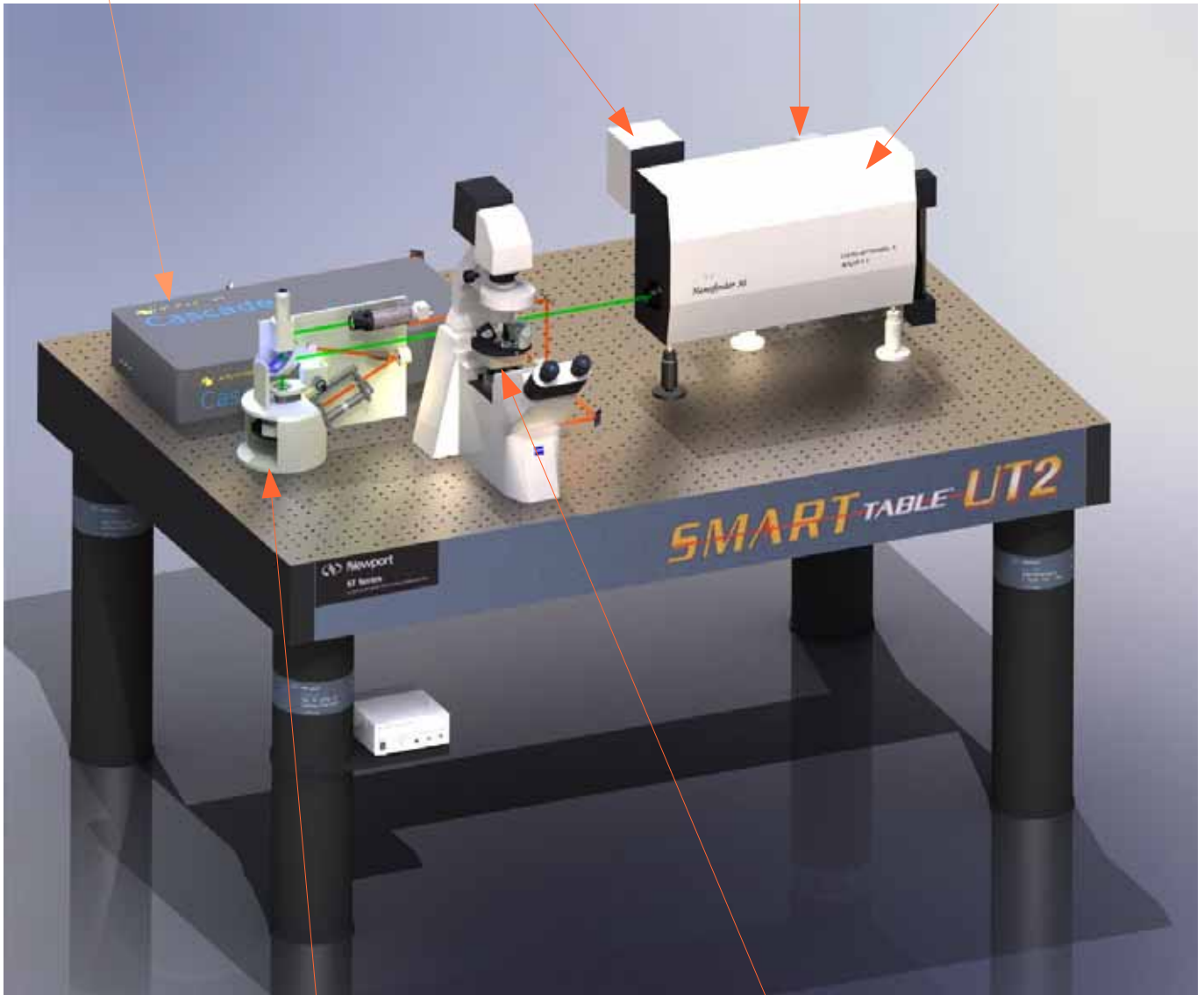
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Excitation lasers.

Laser Confocal
Microscope unit

CCD detector

Raman Confocal
microscope



AFM for Reflection & Side configuration:
Upright microscope

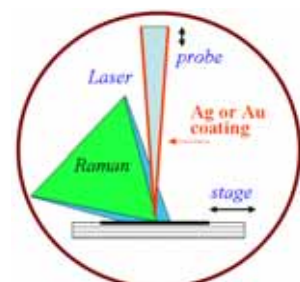
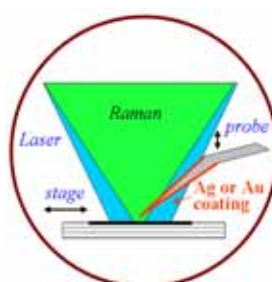
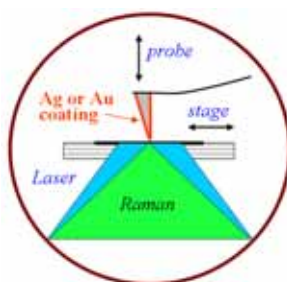
AFM for transmission configuration:
Inverted microscope

Transmission

Reflection

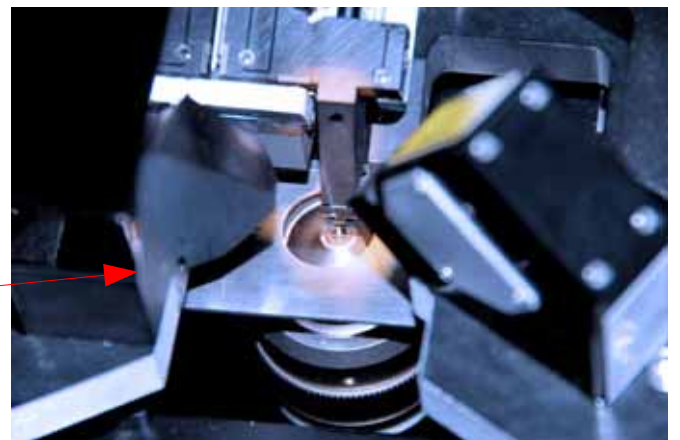
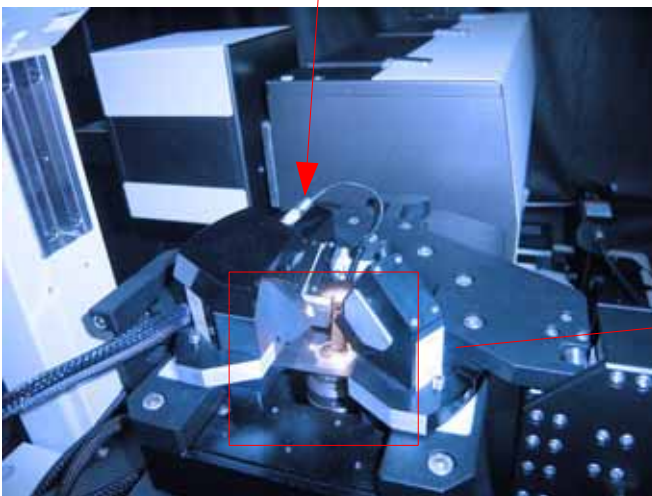
Side illumination

For all TERS
geometries



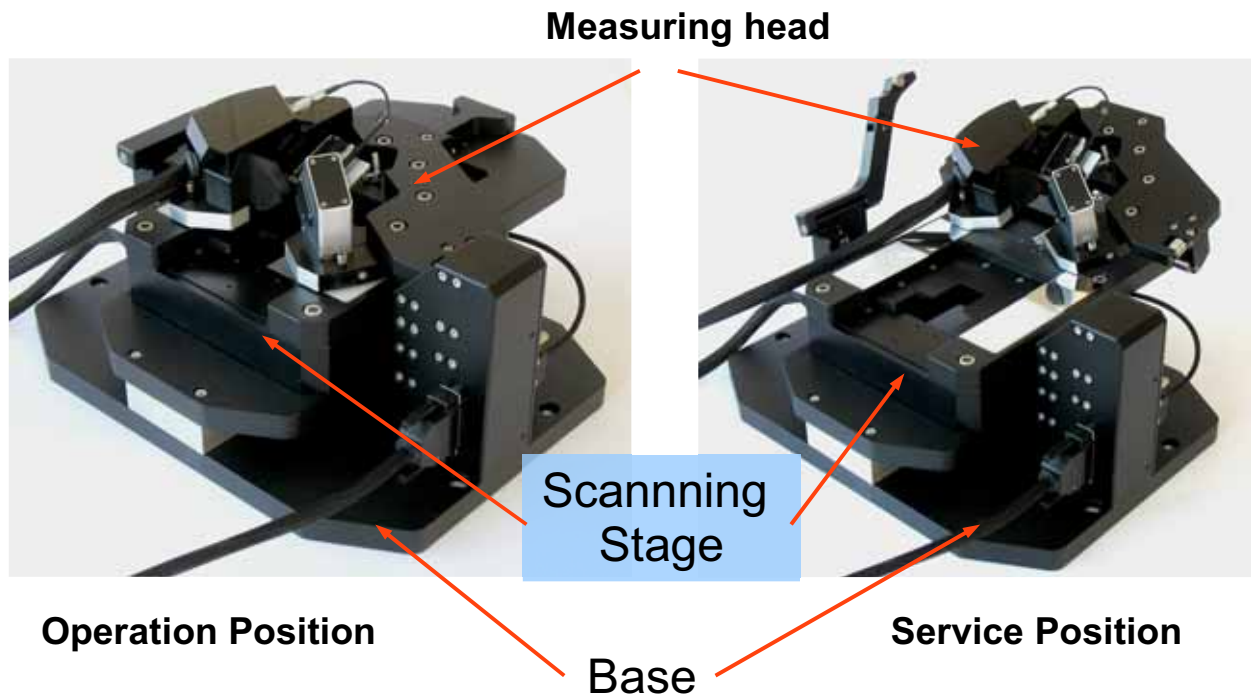
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Transmission configuration

AFM Head configuration for *transmission geometry*



Sample scanning range 100x100x20 μm .

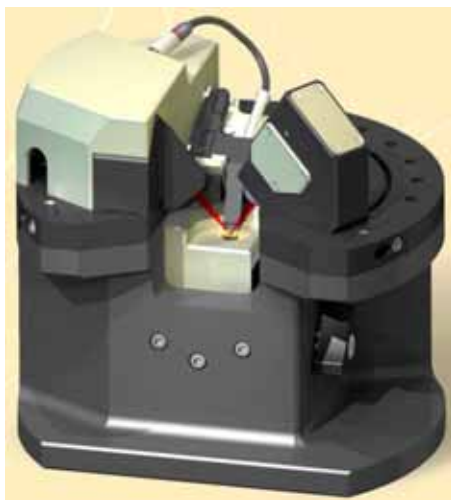
Sample positioning range is 25x25 mm.

The measuring head is fixed during the sample positioning.

Transition of the measuring head into the service position for the sample replacement/adjustment affects neither the microscope objective lens nor the condensor.

AIST-NT™ AFM

AFM head configuration
for Upright and side
laser illumination geometry



No interference with spectroscopic measurements

Laser wavelength
1300nm*

Registration system noise

<0.03nm

Automated laser self alignment

4 step motors for tip and PD movement

Top, bottom and side TERS experiments

Available

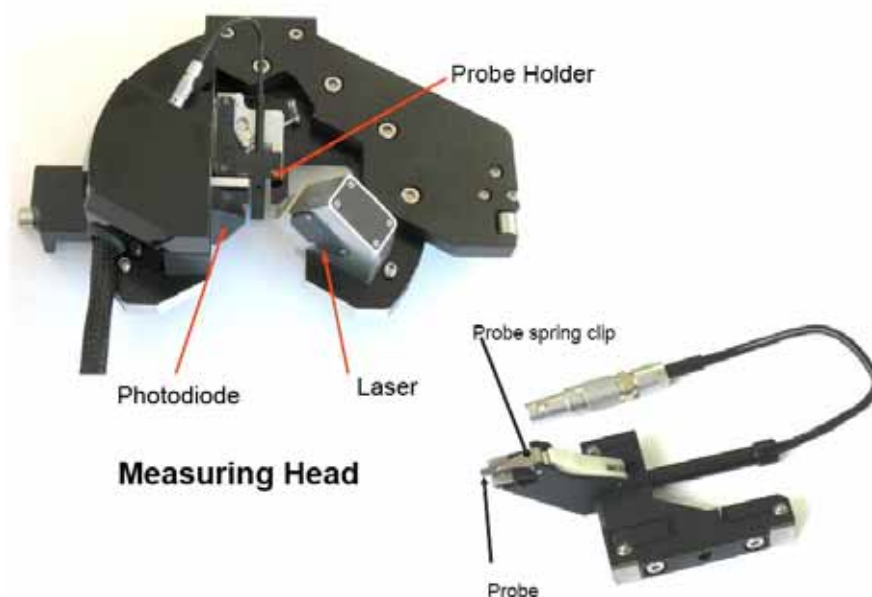
High speed scanning

XY resonance
frequency 7kHz

Z resonance
frequency 15kHz

True Non-Contact mode

with fast DSP controller



Confocal Raman microscope Nanofinder® 30



Raman Confocal Unit is fully motorized and computer controlled.

System configuration (excitation laser wavelength, laser power, laser beam diameter for microscope objective lens matching, excitation and detection polarisation, bandpass filter selection, pinhole size and focusing conditions, grating and central wavelength in spectrometer, detector type, etc.) is saved in computer memory.

User change the system configurations with a single computer knob click.

Confocal Raman microscope Nanofinder® 30

Wavelength range

Excitation/Detection

VIS-NIR

473-785 / 473 – 1050 nm

UV-VIS-NIR

363-785 / 363-425 + 473 – 1050 nm

Laser excitation wavelength (example): 363.8, 488, 532, 632.8, 785 nm

(Other lasers on request, up to 3 lasers can be installed for fully motorised operation)

Detection range

Edge or Notch filter

<100 cm⁻¹ to >4000 cm⁻¹

Maximum confocal resolution (depends on excitation laser wavelength)

Lateral

<150 nm

Axial

<500 nm

Polarisation optics

Illumination channel

Glan-Taylor prism, $\lambda/2$ retardation plates (up to 3)

Detection channel

Glan-Taylor prism, motorized

Pinhole

Motorized

0-1500 μm

Monochromator/Spectrograph

Ports

1 input, 2 output

Focal length

520 mm

Stray light

1×10^{-5} (20 nm from 633 nm laser line)

Resolution

1.1 cm⁻¹ (per 1 CCD pixel of 26 μm with grating 1800 g/mm at 500 nm)

Gratings (maximum 4 gratings can be installed), example:

150 g/mm, blaze 500nm

600 g/mm, blaze 600nm

1200 g/mm, blaze 600nm

1800 g/mm, blaze 500nm

Echelle grating option for super high spectral resolution (below 0.4 cm⁻¹ at 500 nm)

Detectors:

CCD camera

Up to 2.5MHz controller

Number of effective pixels 1024x128

Pixel dimensions 16 or 26 μm

Cooling up to -100 C⁰

Photon counting PMT or APD

Fully motorized and computer controlled

Automatic shutters, motorized ND filter, zoom beam expander, change retardation waveplate, rotate retardation waveplate, edge filter, polariser in detection channel, pinhole size, change grating and central wavelength in spectrometer, change spectrometer exit port, etc.

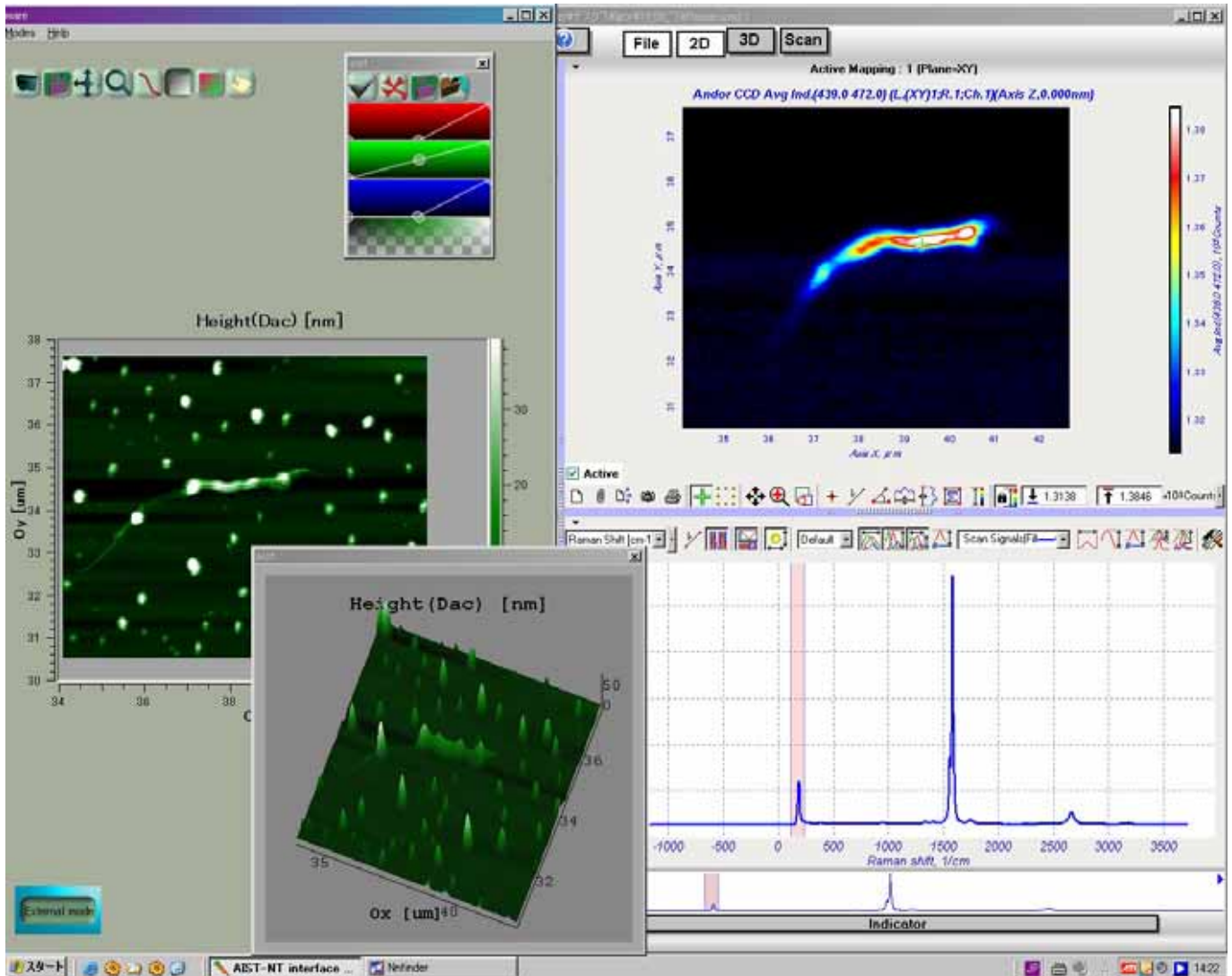
Laser confocal microscope option

Operation at excitation laser wavelength simultaneously with Raman confocal microscope

AIST-NT and TII Software Integration

AFM

Raman

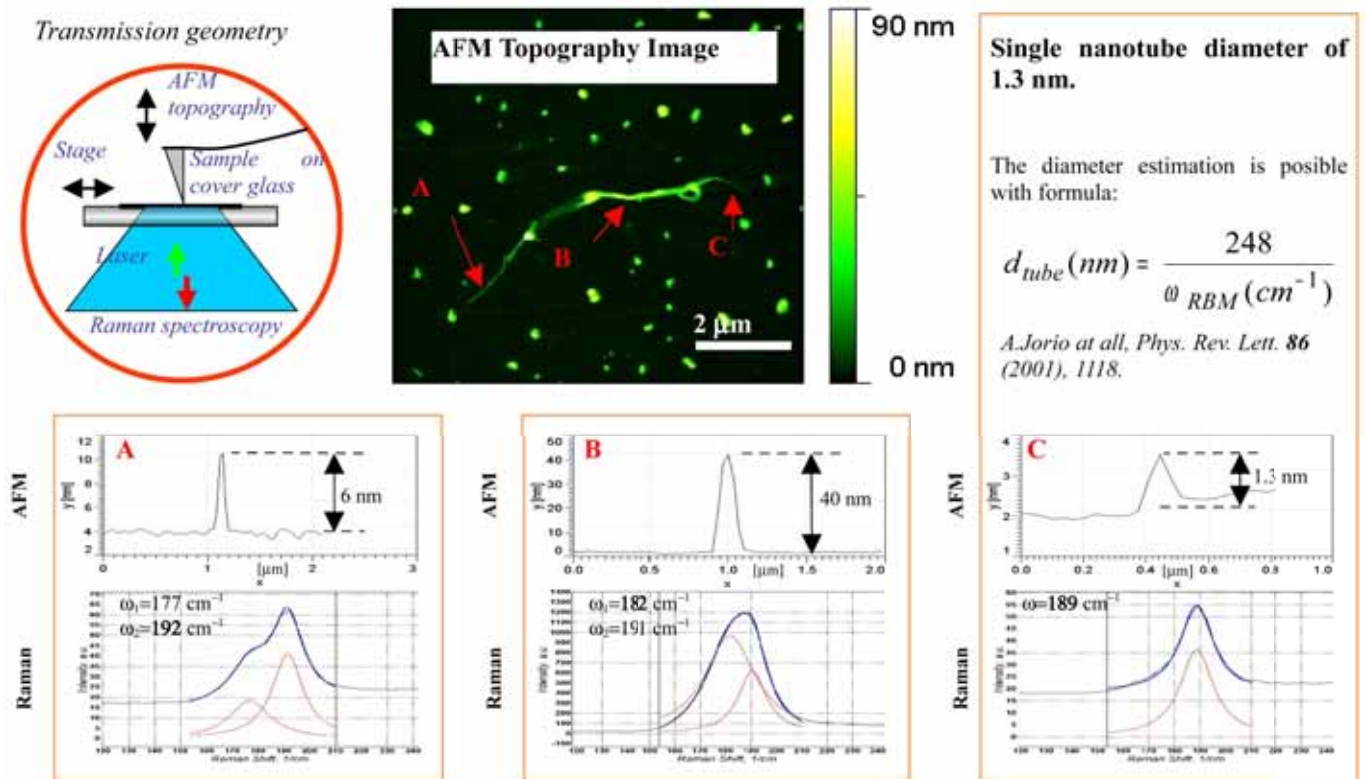


- User-friendly interface
- Modular architecture
- 2D/3D image processing
- Built-in macrolanguage
- Full spectral data saving
- FemtoScanTM extra image processing software

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Carbon nanotubes: AFM topography and Lorentzian RBM spectral line fitting

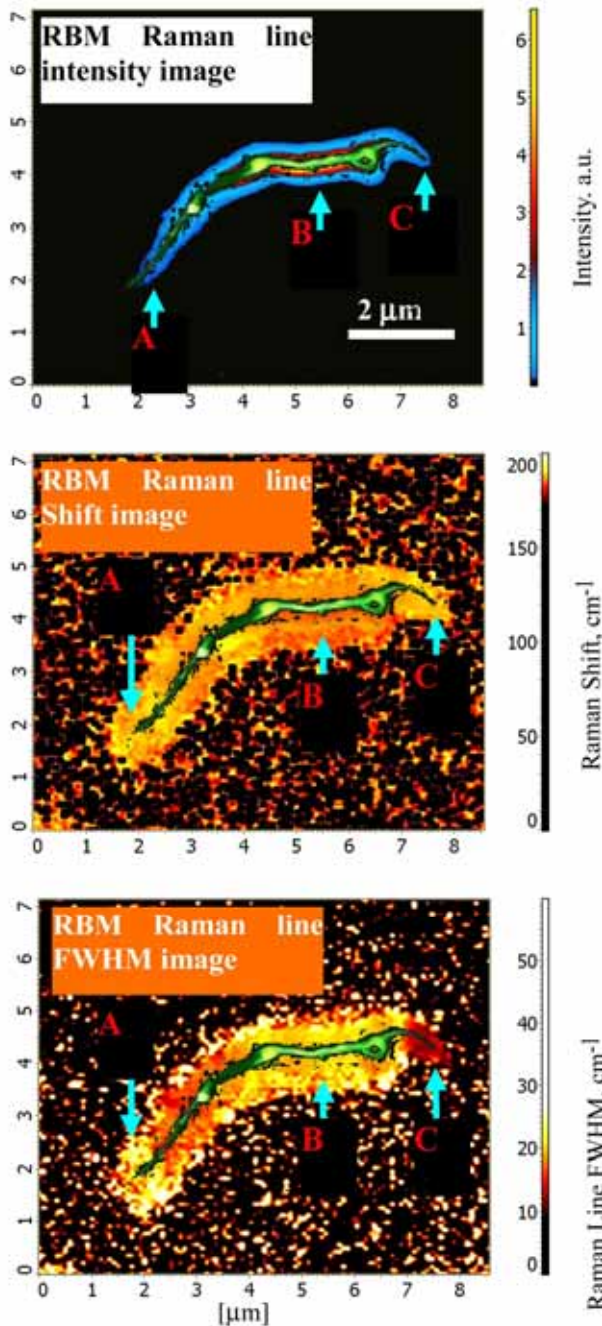


* Data obtained with DEMO system at TII office (Tokyo)

The bundle height and RBM spectrum at respective locations. The composition of RBM spectrum depends on location.

Carbon nanotubes: spatial distribution analysis

Mapping image was done with full spectrum saving in every point with consequent software processing (*Single Lorentzian curve fitting*).



AFM topography image is shown overlapped in green.

Carbon Nanotubes spatial distribution. Brighter area "B" shows higher density of CNs.

CN diameter is related with RBM peak frequency:

$$d_{tube} (nm) = \frac{248}{\omega_{RBM} (cm^{-1})}$$

Brighter areas "A" and "C" (larger Raman Shift) show predominance of CNs with smaller diameters.

Areas with CNs of different diameters have wide RBM line FWHM.

Areas with single nanotube or similar nanotubes have narrow RBM line FWHM.

Dark area (narrow RBM line) "C" shows location of single or similar nanotubes with the same diameters.

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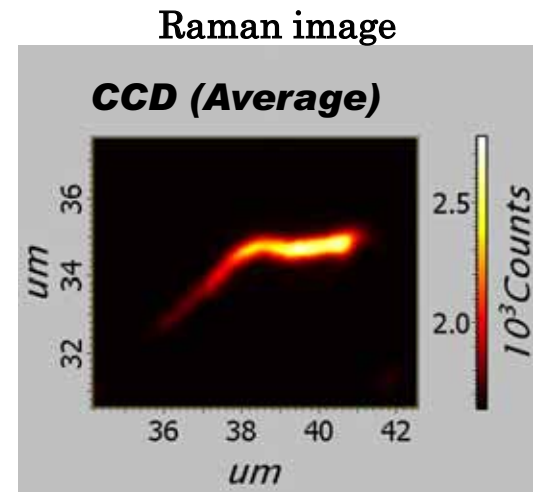
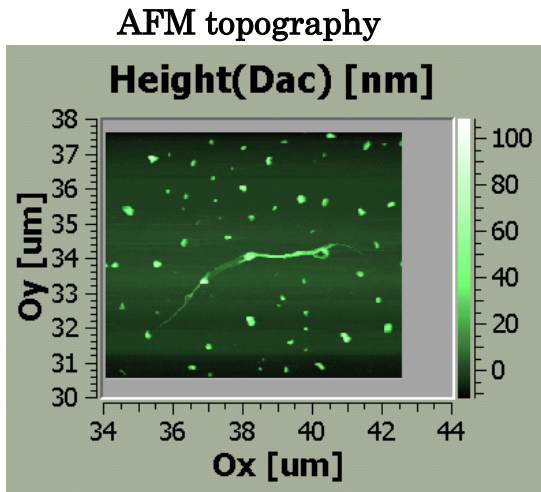
Correlation between CN bundle topography and RBM Raman line intensity, shift and width is clearly observed.

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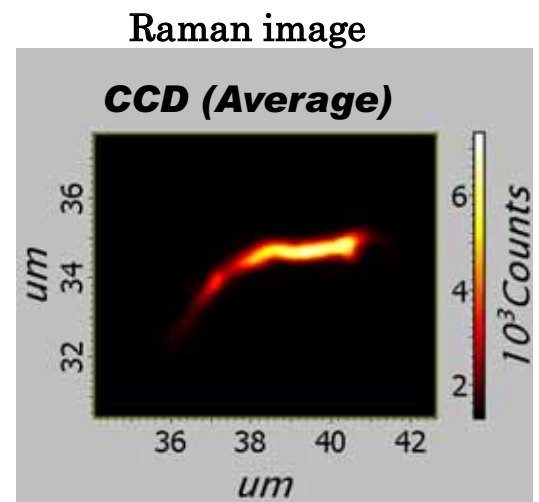
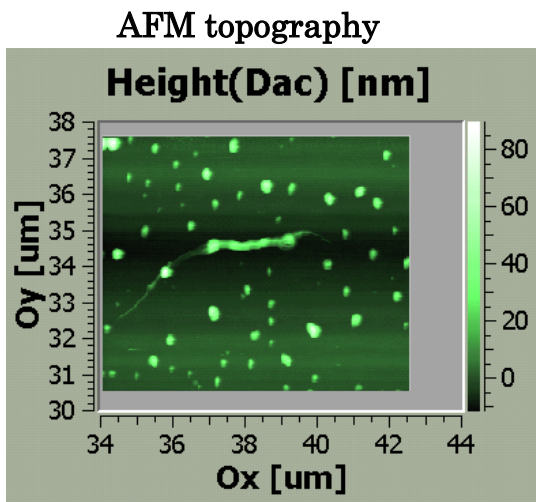
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Day-to-day sample location reproducibility

Yesterday



Today



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*With rigid system design software and hardware "remember" location of your sample.
It is easy to continue your experiment next day.*

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