



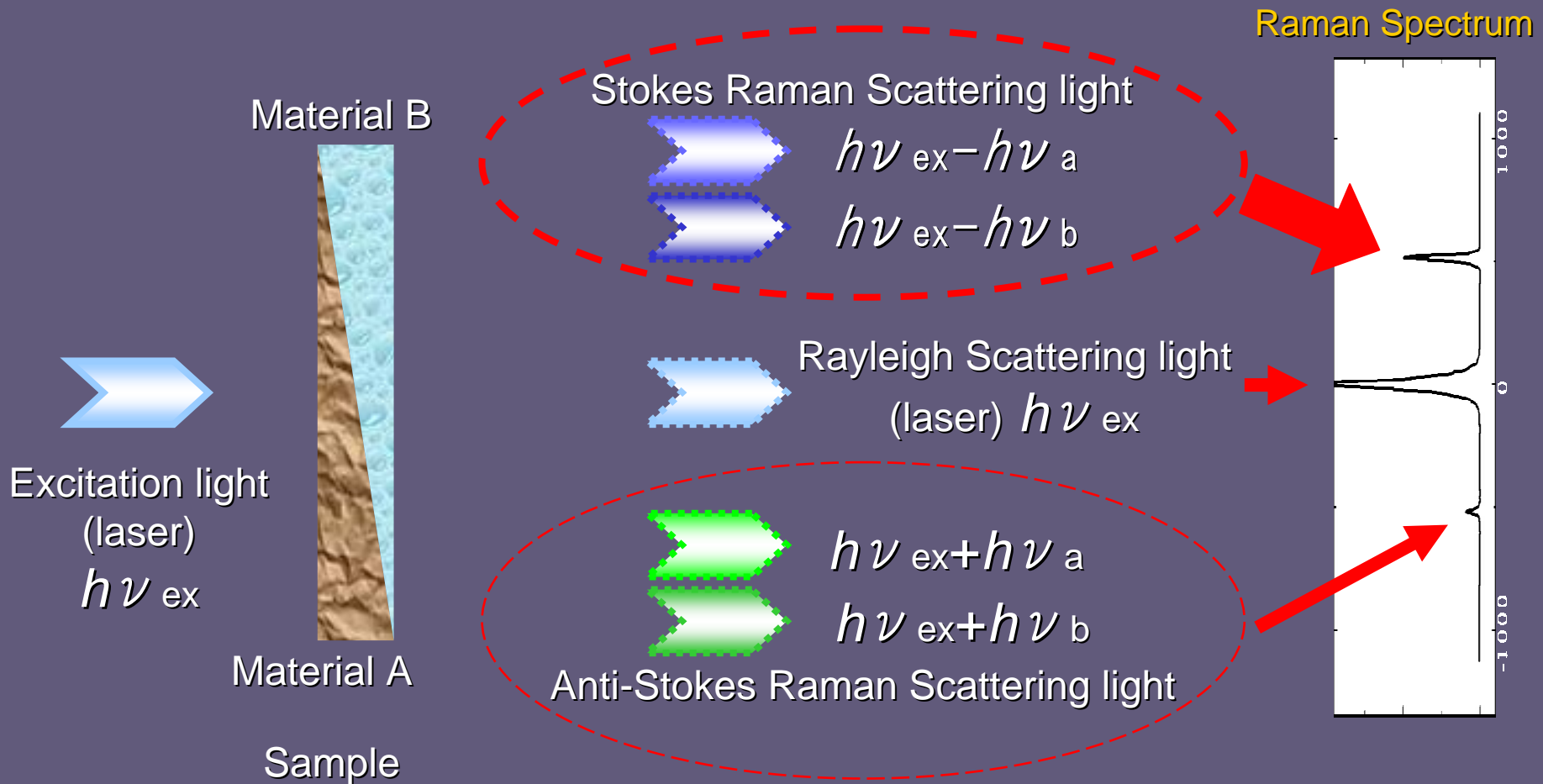
**Raman Confocal  
Microscope**  
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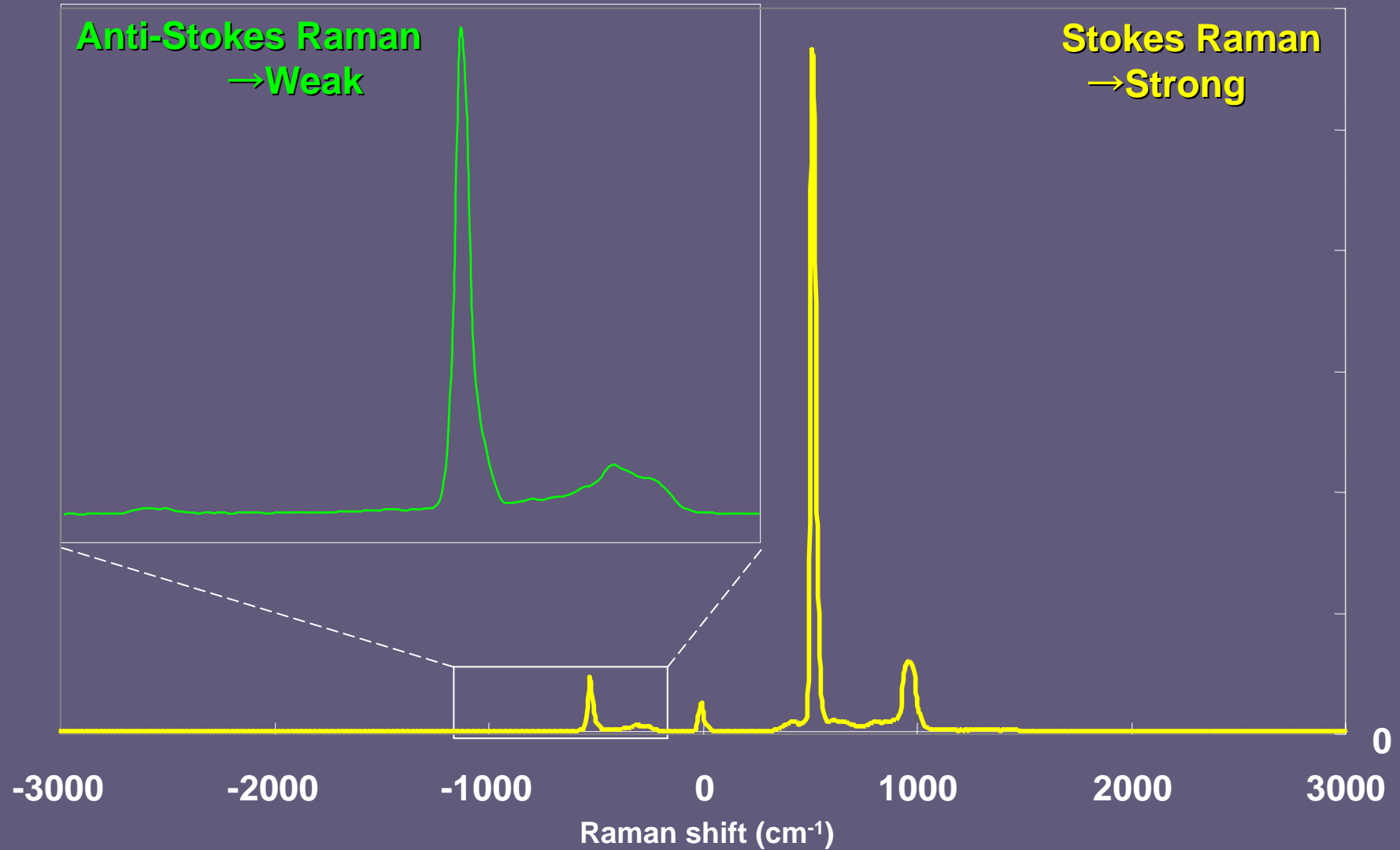
# Overview of Raman Spectroscopy

# Raman Spectroscopy

- Spectroscopy of vibration modes of molecules or crystals.
- Analytical method based on analysis of the spectra, scattered by sample.



Sample: Silicon

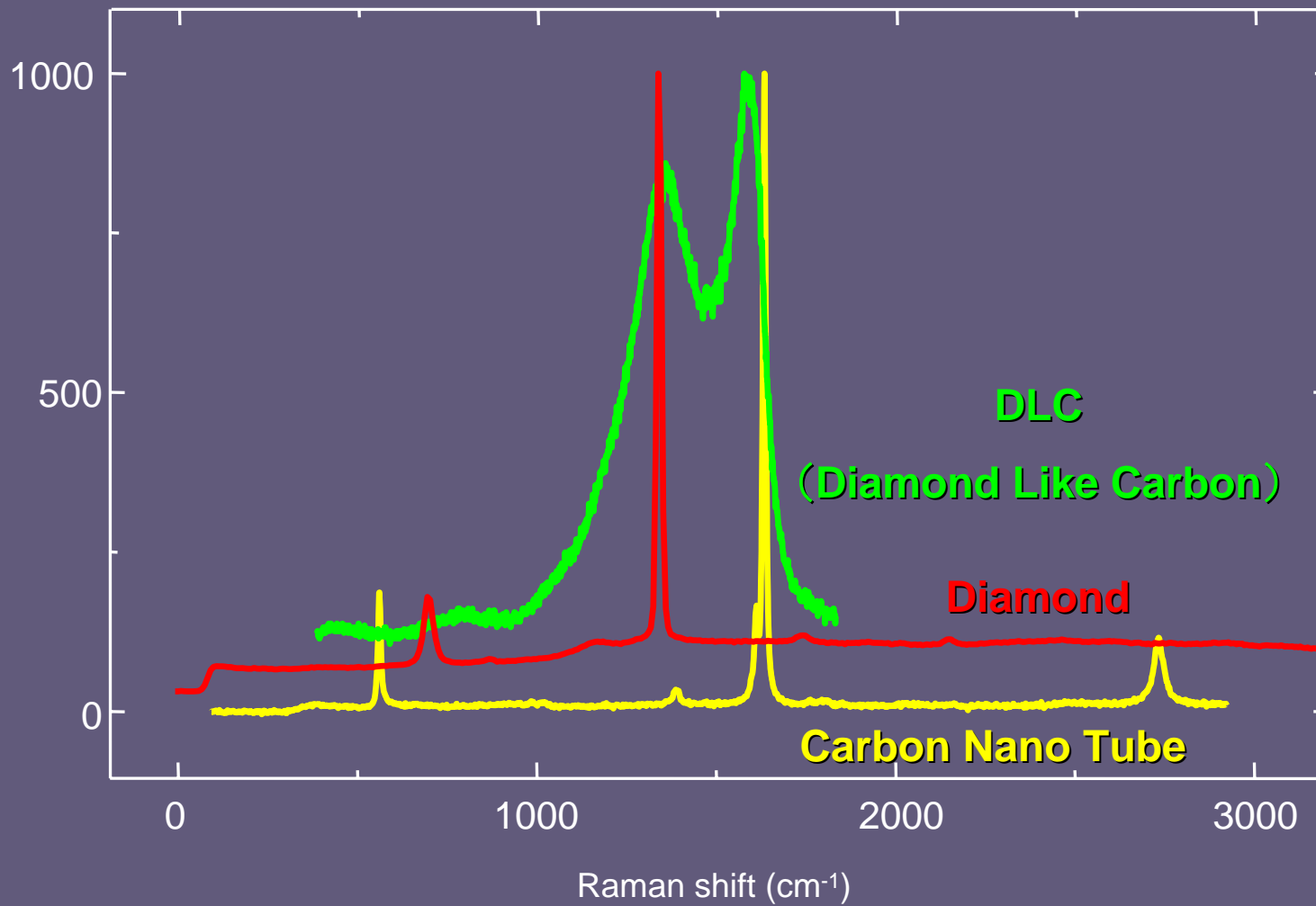


Application example: Sample temperature estimation, using intensity ratio of these Raman peaks.

Stokes Raman and Anti-Stokes Raman components

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## Samples : Carbon contained materials.



## Raman and IR Absorption Spectroscopy:

- **Vibration spectroscopy**
- **Qualitative and Structural analysis** materials in atmosphere, non destructive, non contact.

### Raman vs. Infrared Absorption Spectroscopy

#### Good!

Sample in **Aqueous Solution** easily

Sample in **Glass, Plastic** and other containers

**High resolution** (under  $\phi$  0.5  $\mu$  m)

✘ around 10  $\mu$  m by IR Absorption spectroscopy

**Depth analysis** with 1  $\mu$  m resolution possible

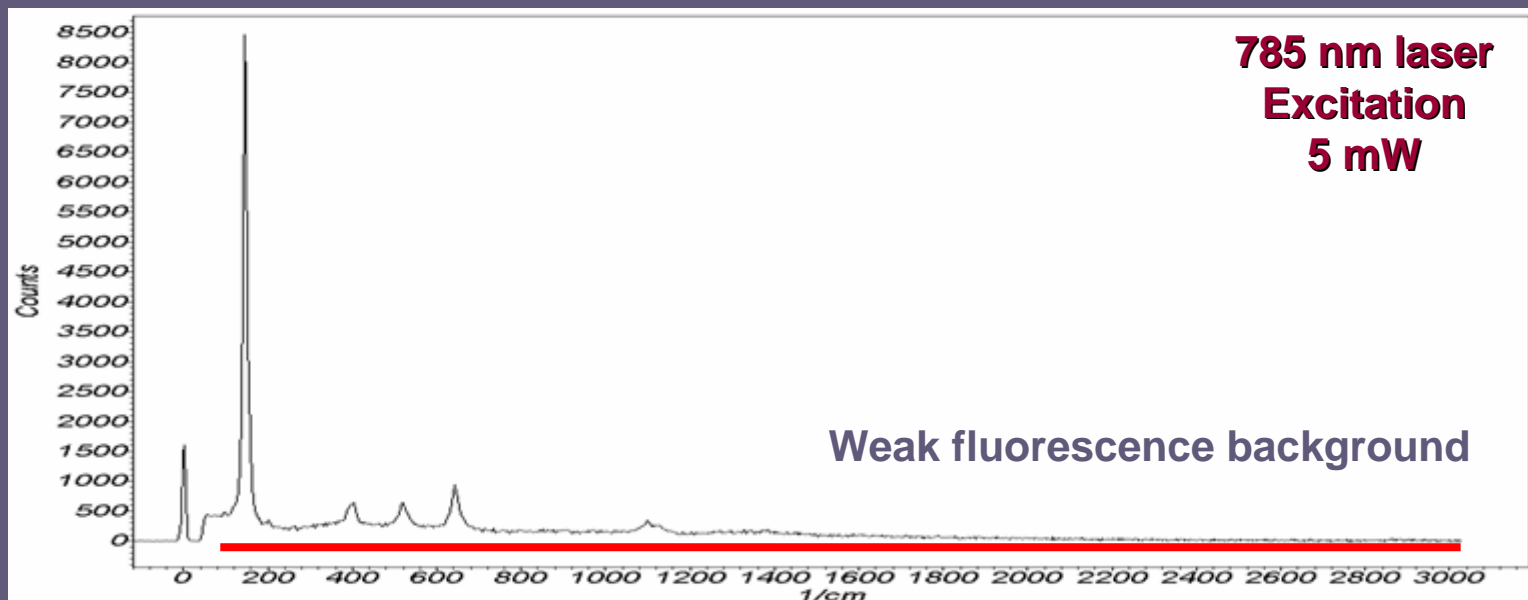
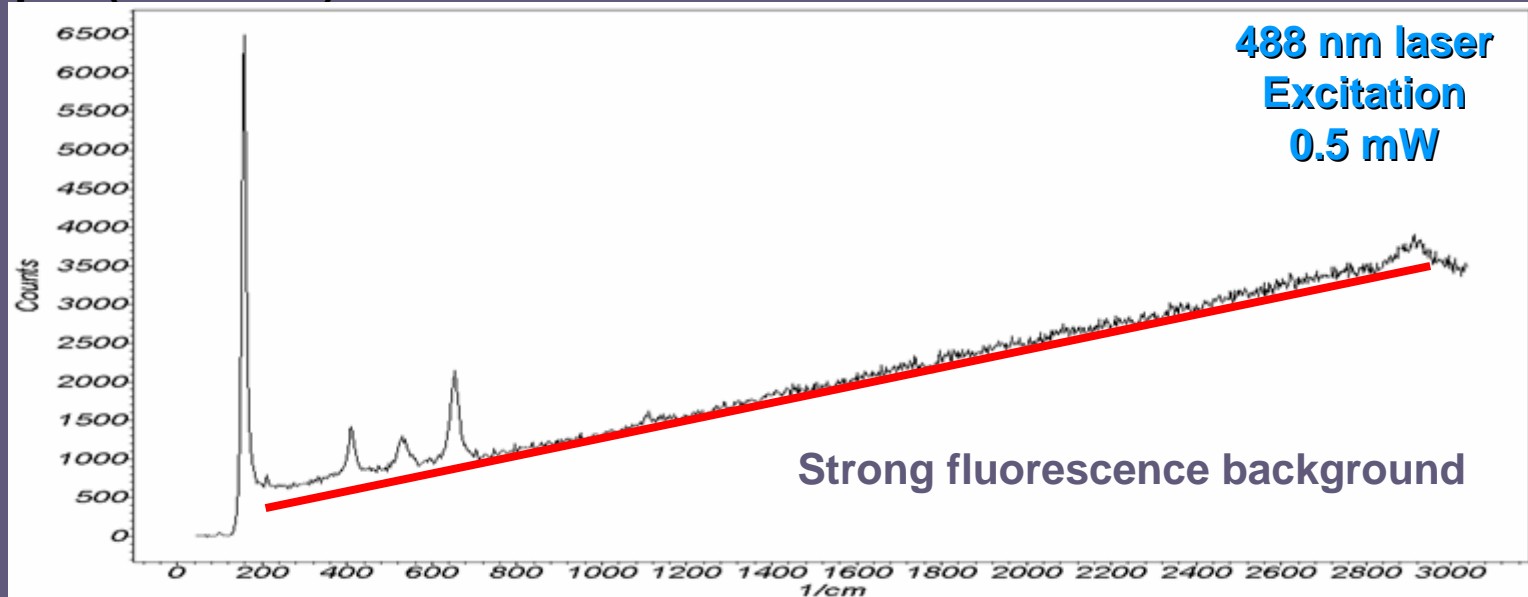
Available signal Enhancement technique

#### Bad...

Poor database

**Fluorescence** background from specific samples

# Sample : Paper (cellulose)



Raman spectra excited by different wavelengths

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## Features of *Nanofinder*<sup>®</sup> *FLEX*

Point 1

### **New concept model in Nanofinder series**

- Compact
- Free layout
- Easy control
- Reasonable price

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Point 2

### **High Sensitivity**

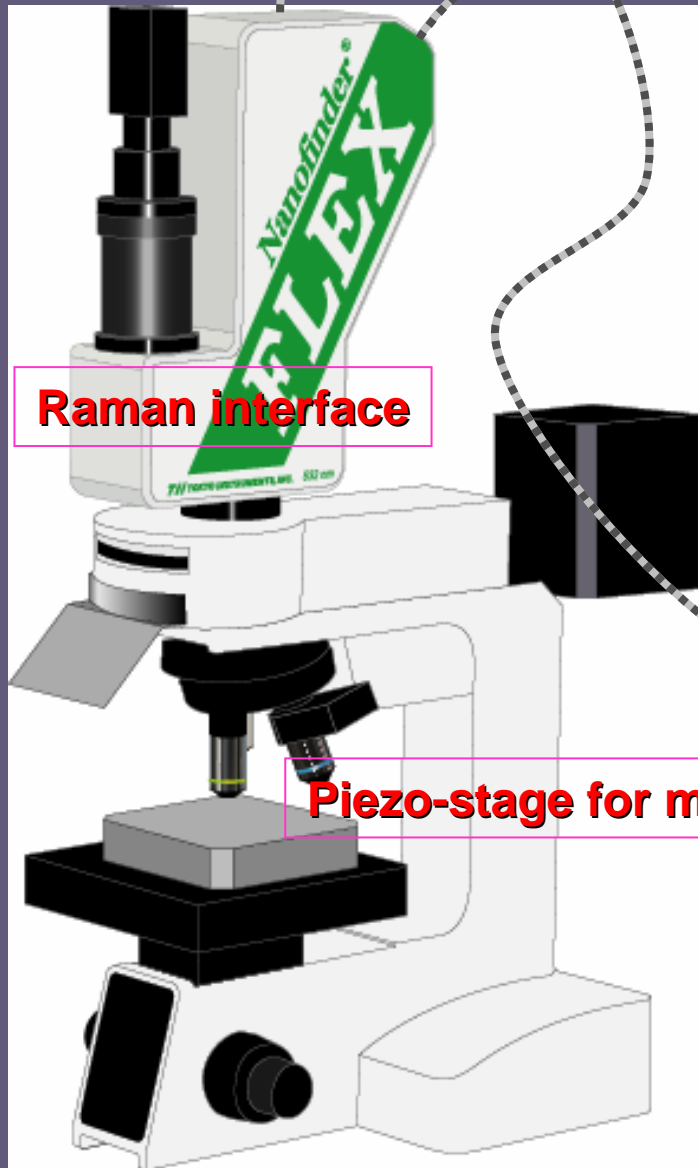
- Detectable 4<sup>th</sup> order of Silicon Raman Peak within 1 minute
- Possibility to get good quality Raman spectrum (and image) with low excitation laser power (no sample damage)

Point 3

### **High 3D spatial resolution**

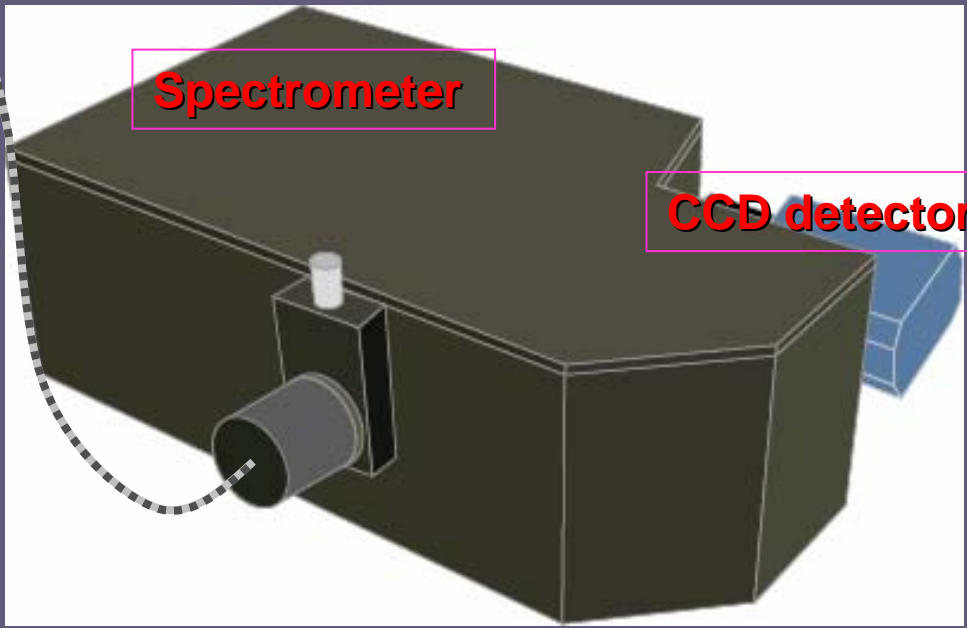
- Raman image analysis with 300 nm spatial resolution
- Depth analysis by confocal technique

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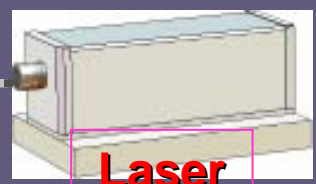
Raman interface

Piezo-stage for mapping



Spectrometer

CCD detector



Laser

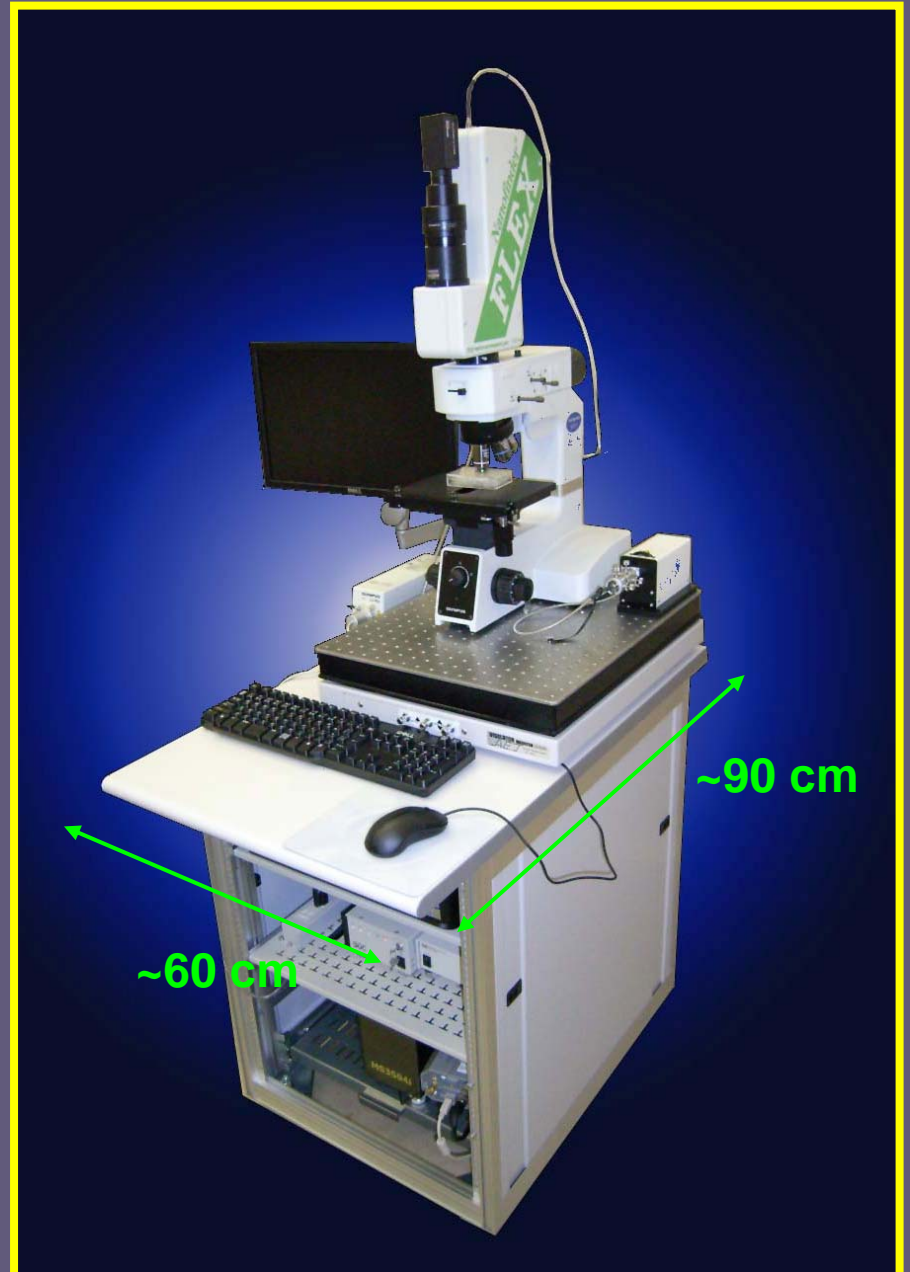
Layout of *Nanofinder*<sup>®</sup> *FLEX* system



↑ Raman interface and spectrometer

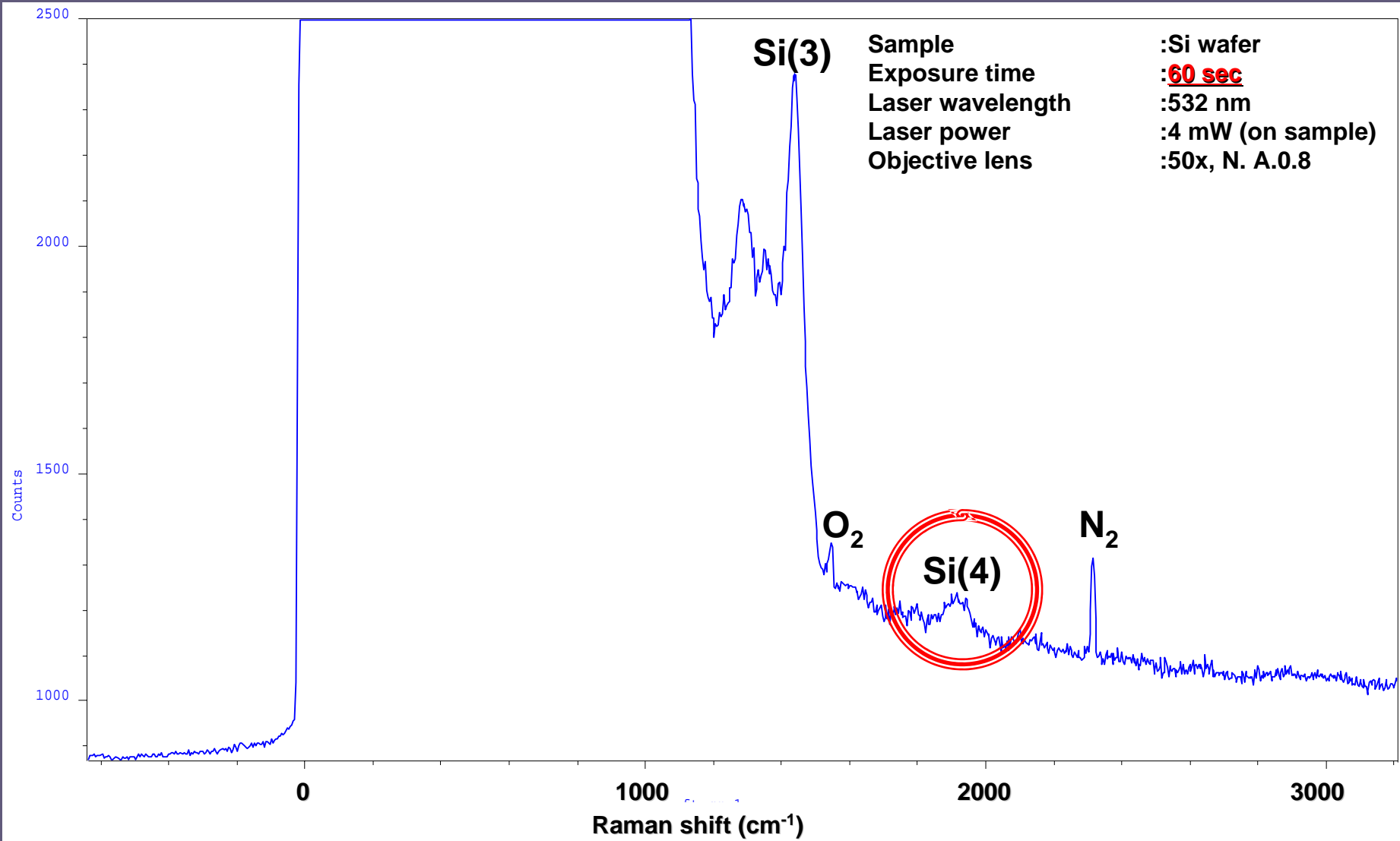
Full system view→

That's all. No need any another device for Raman measurement. And possible to rearrange layout to fit available space.



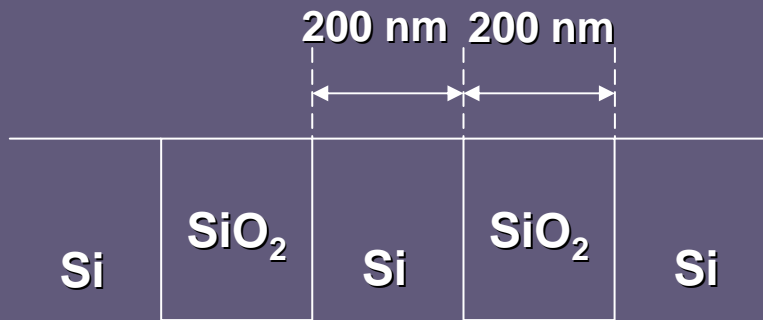
Outline of *Nanofinder*<sup>®</sup> *FLEX* system

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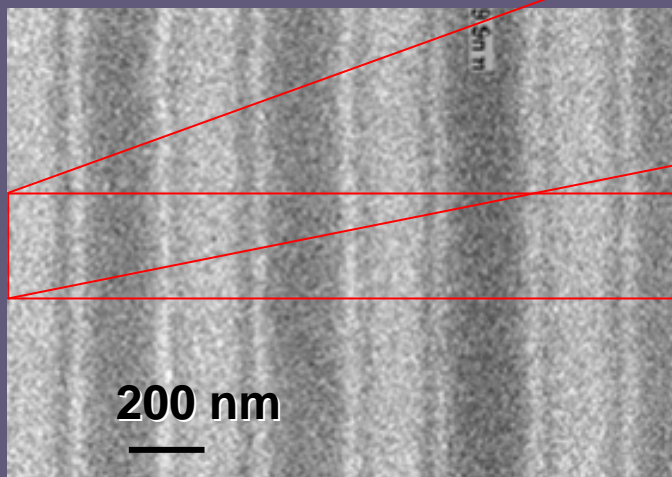


**4<sup>th</sup> order of Si Raman peak**

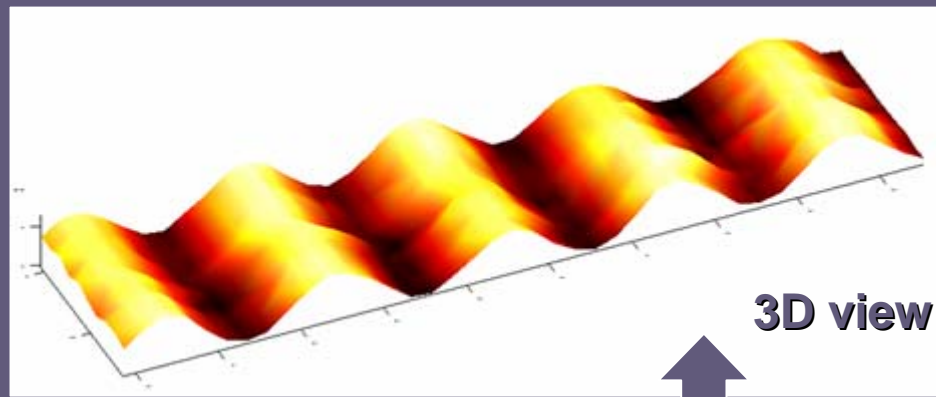
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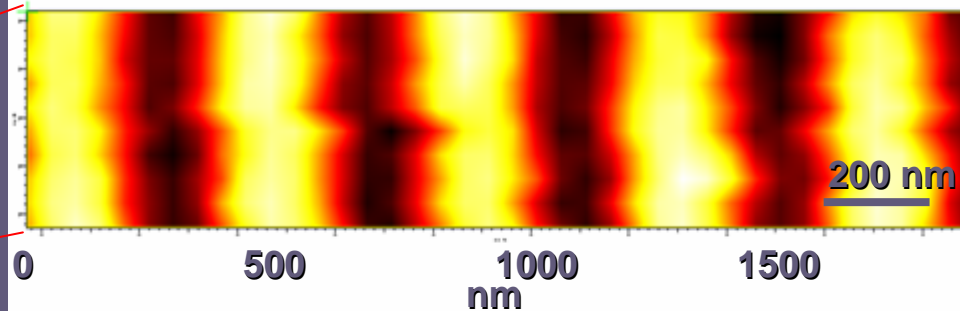
Sample structure



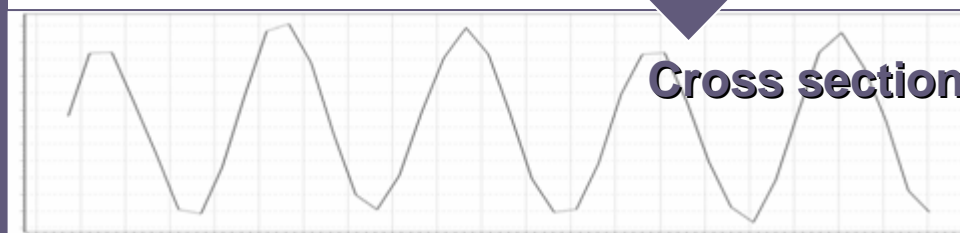
SEM image



3D view



Si Raman peak 2D image



Cross section

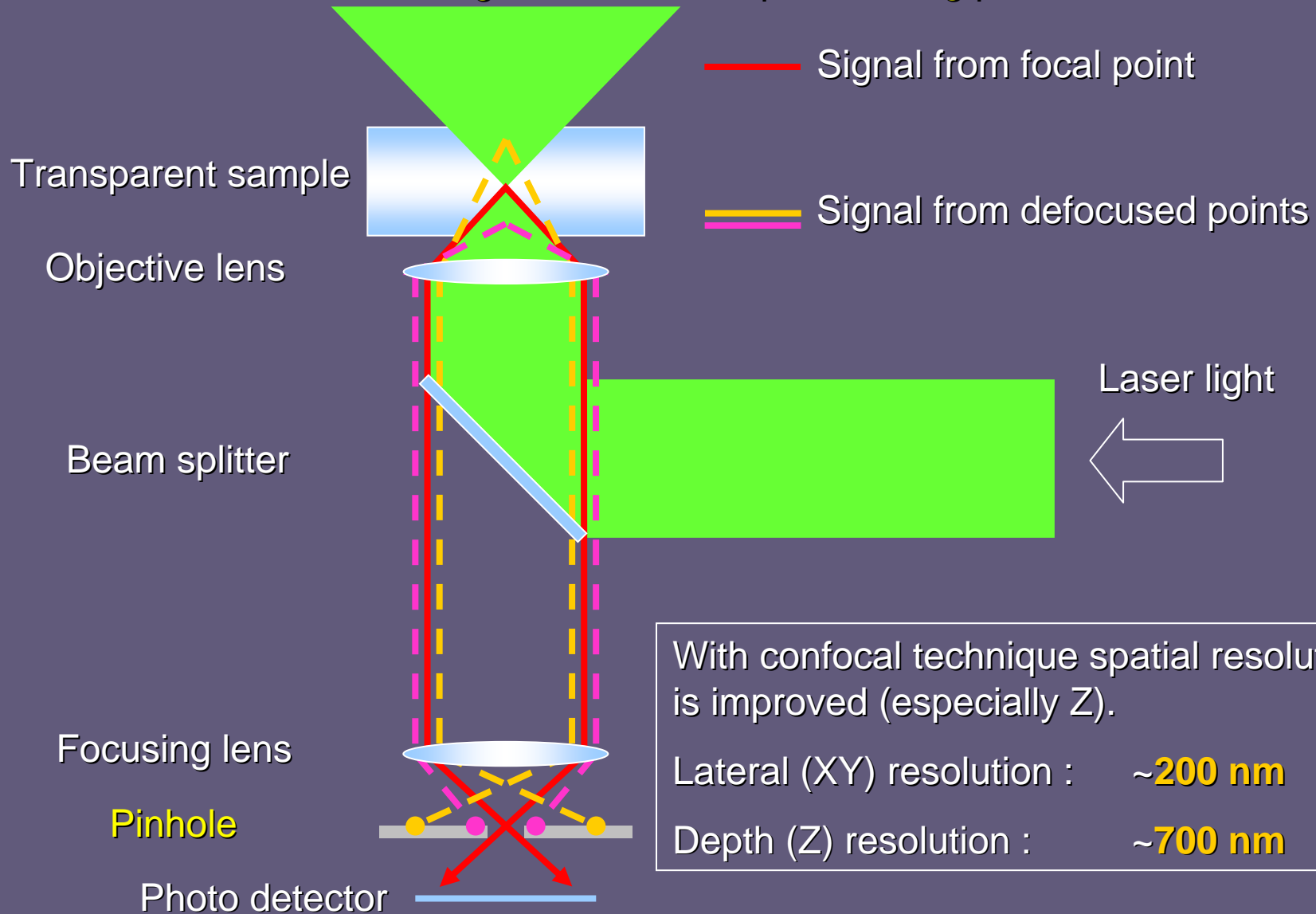
Resolution :40 x 10 point, 50 x 50 nm step,  
 Mapping speed :0.2 sec/point,  
 Objective lens :100x, N.A. 1.4 oil

Measuring time :~2 min  
 Laser :532 nm, 9 mW (on sample)

**High resolution (200 nm Line & Space)**

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Confocal system collects signal from small volume around focal point and blocks signals from other points using pinhole.



With confocal technique spatial resolution is improved (especially Z).

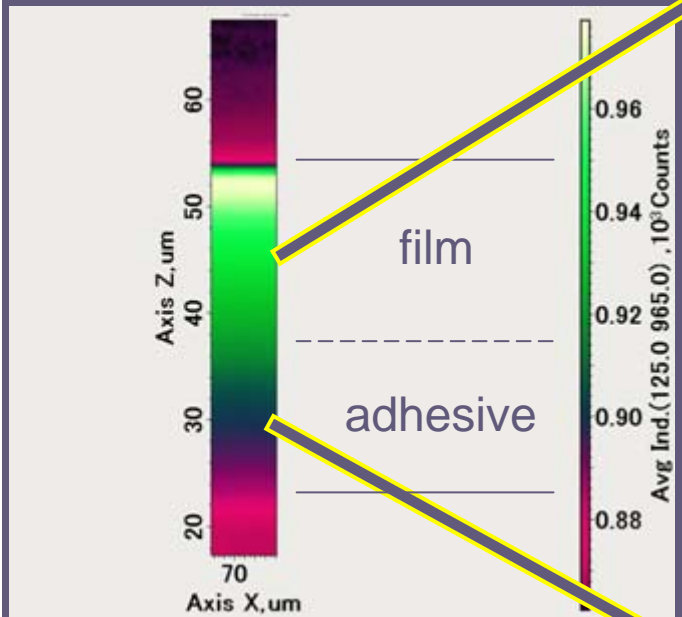
Lateral (XY) resolution : ~200 nm

Depth (Z) resolution : ~700 nm

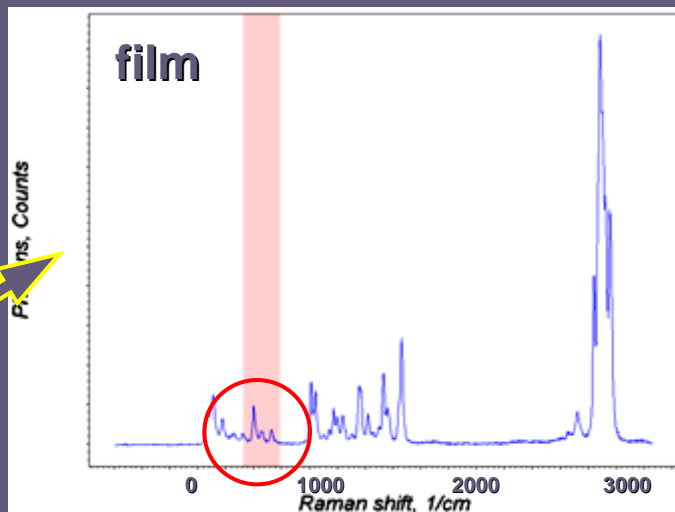
## Confocal technique

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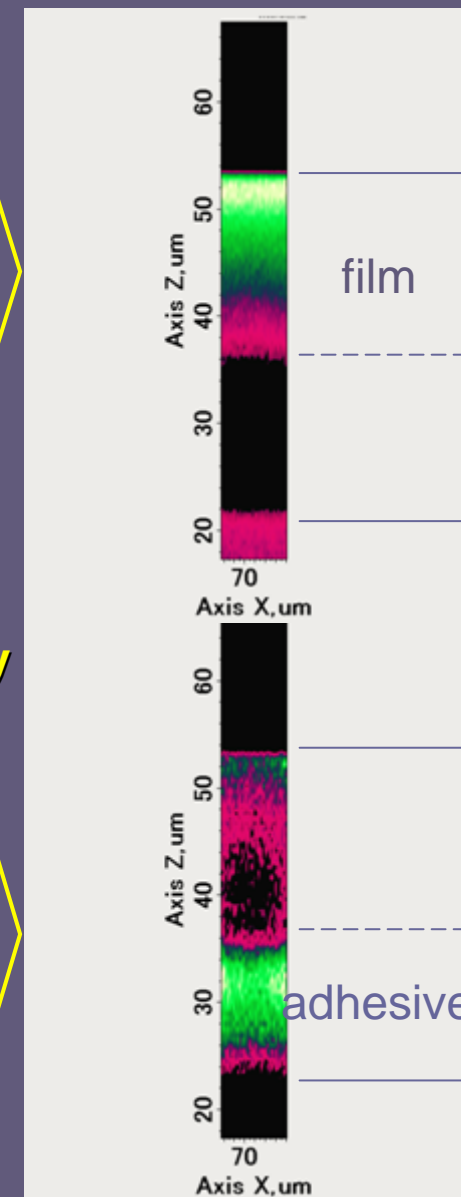
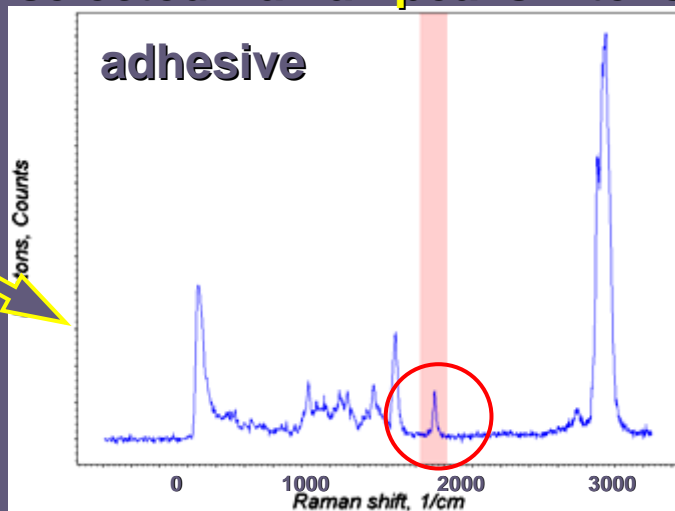
# Sample : Scotch tape



Cross-section image using total Raman signal intensity (all peaks summarized)



Cross-section images with selected Raman peaks intensity



Resolution  
Mapping speed

:32 x 100 point, 500 x 500 nm step  
:0.5 sec/point,

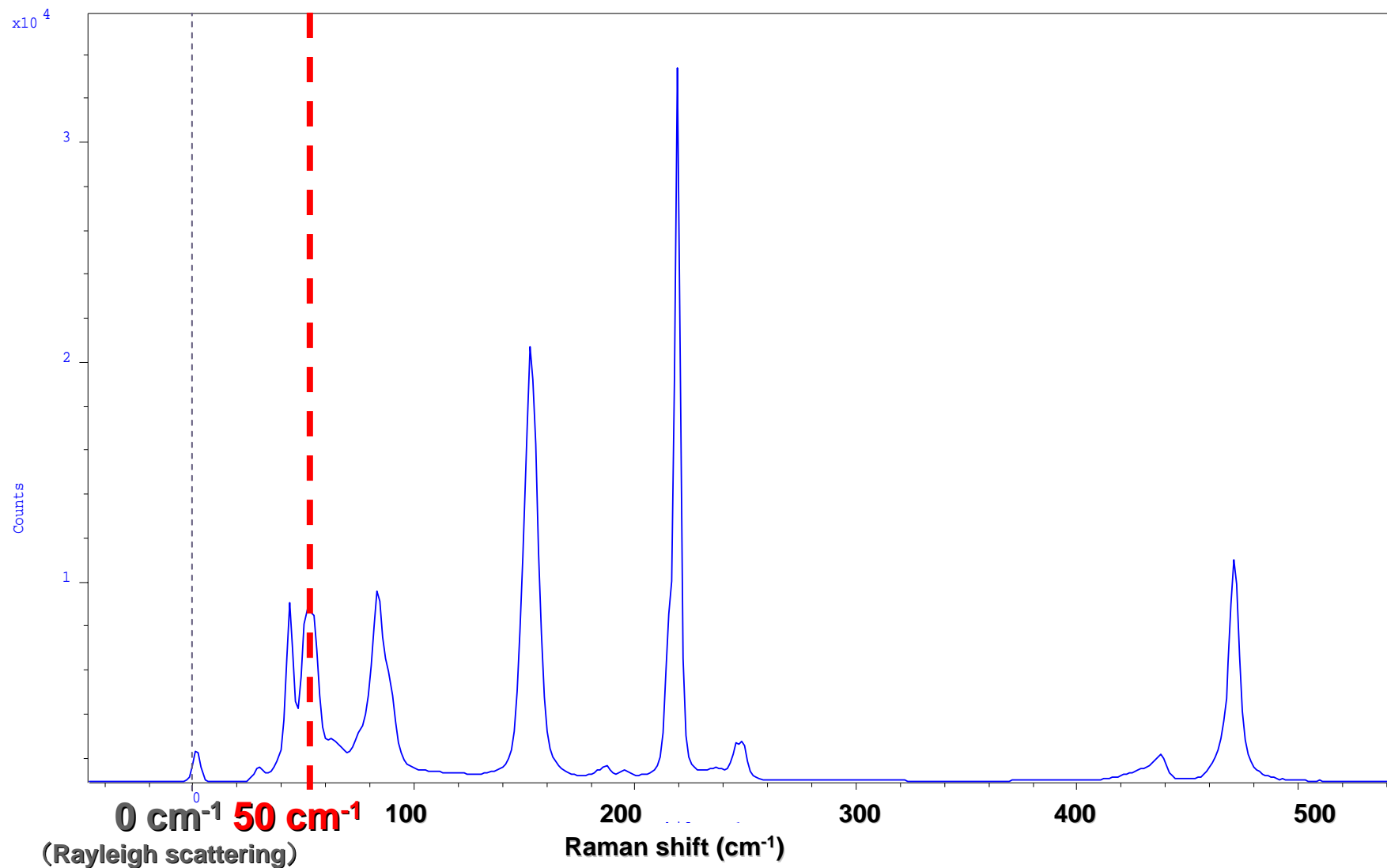
Measuring time  
Laser

:50 min  
:532 nm, 6 mW (on sample)

## How to make Raman image

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# Measurement data

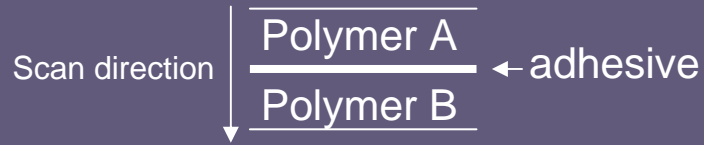


Sample	:sulfur	Exposure time	:0.1 sec
Laser wavelength	:532 nm	Laser power	:20 mW (on sample)
Objective lens	:x50, N.A. 0.8	Grating	:1800 G/mm

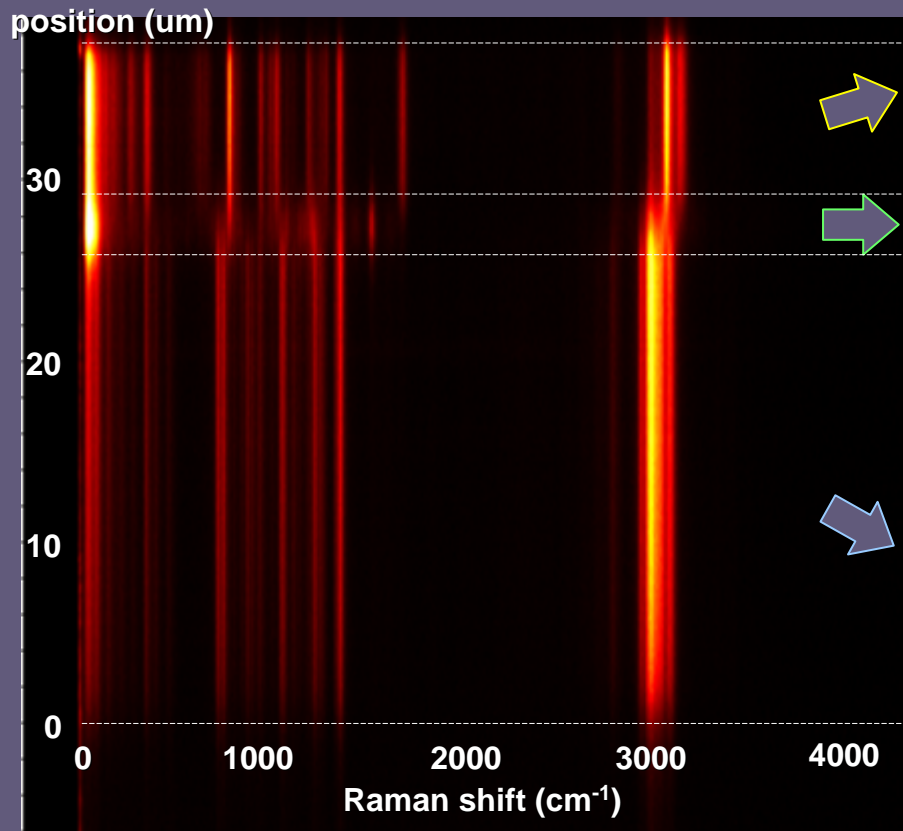
**Raman spectrum in near excitation range**

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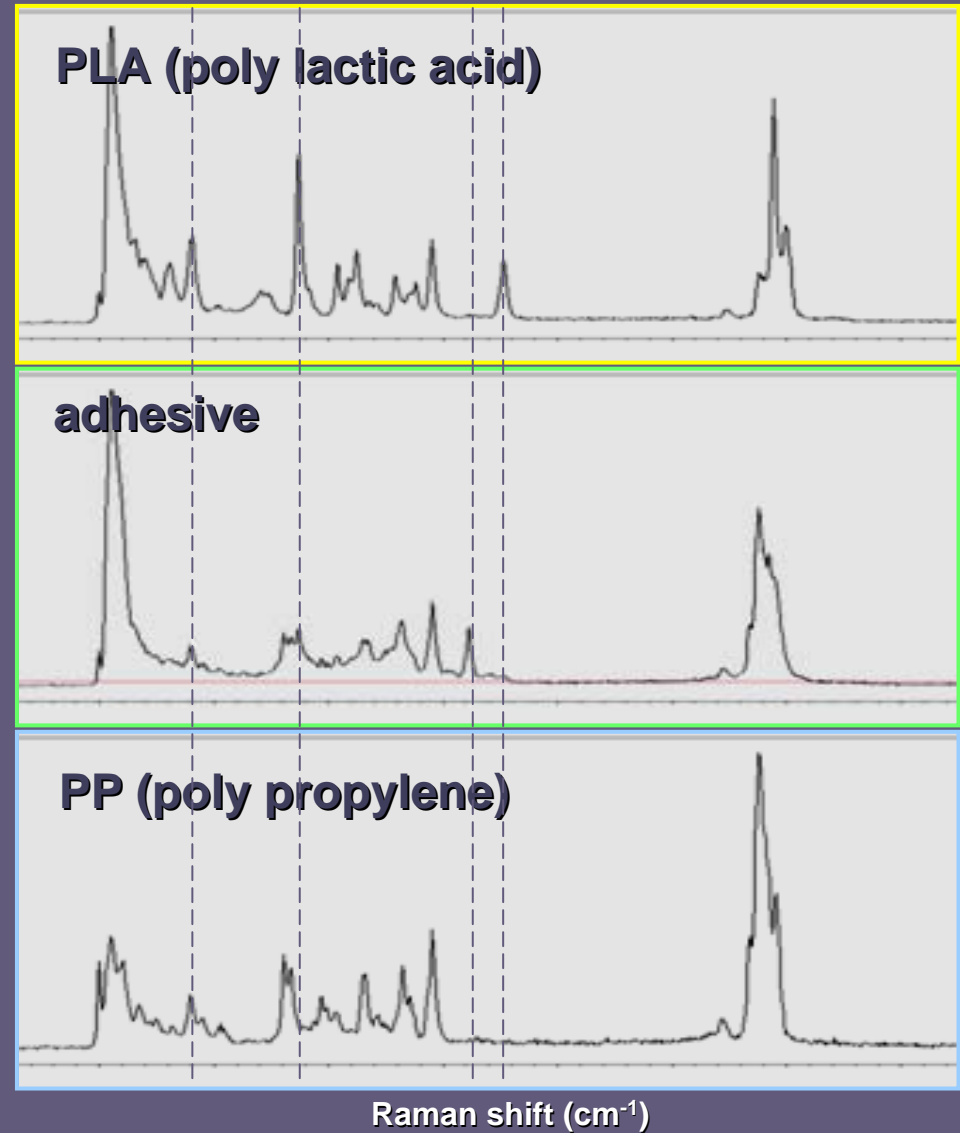
# Sample : laminate film



## Depth profile of Raman spectrum

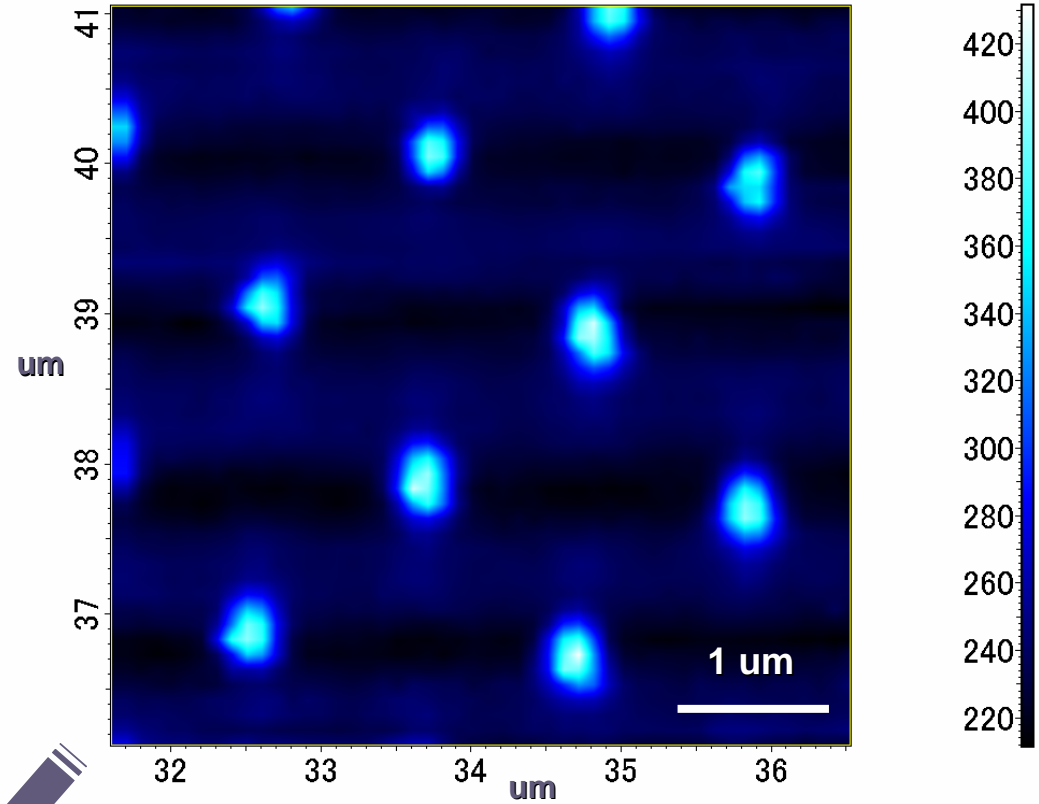
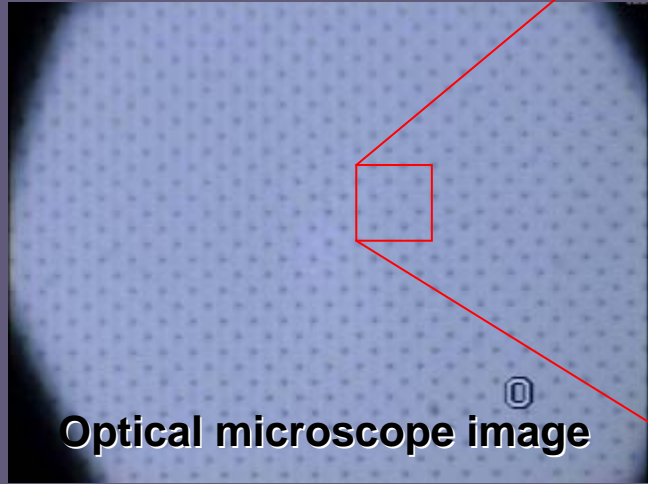
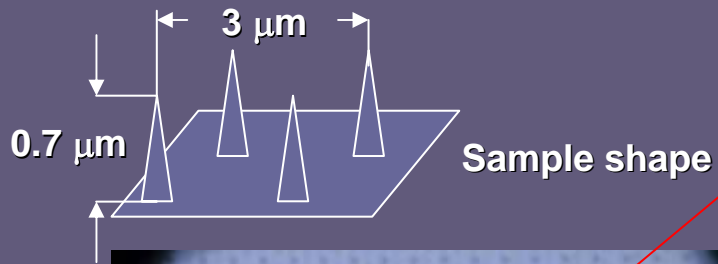


## Raman spectrum

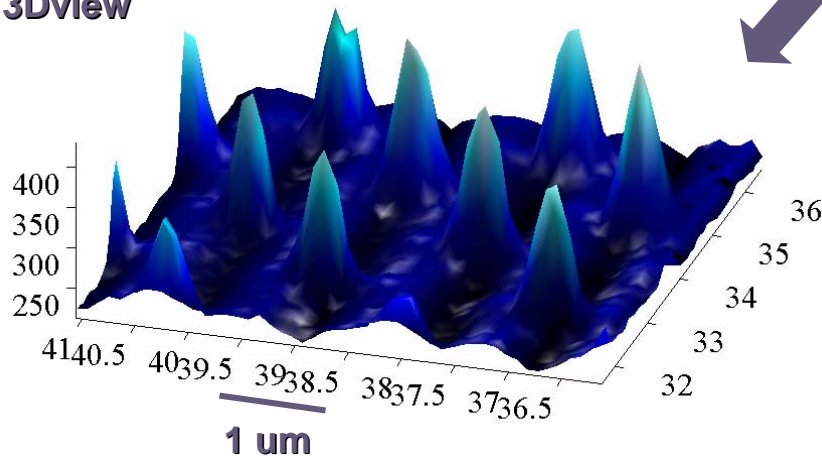


Depth analysis using confocal technique

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3Dview

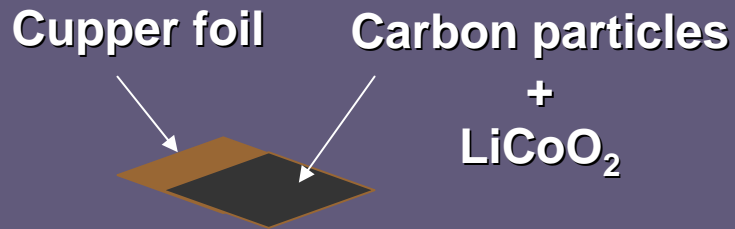


2D Raman image

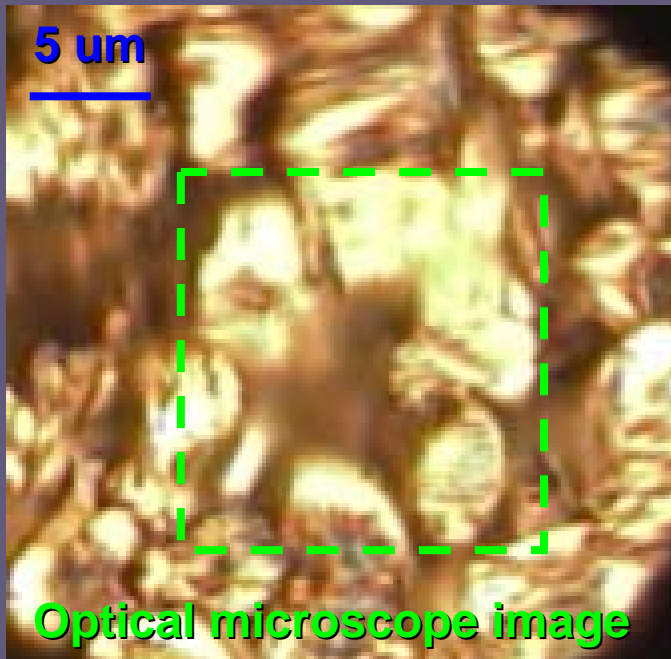
Resolution	: 50 x 50 point
	100 x 100 nm step
Measuring time	:15 min
Mapping speed	:0.3 sec/point
Laser	:532 nm, 5 mW (on sample)

2D Raman image from test sample for AFM

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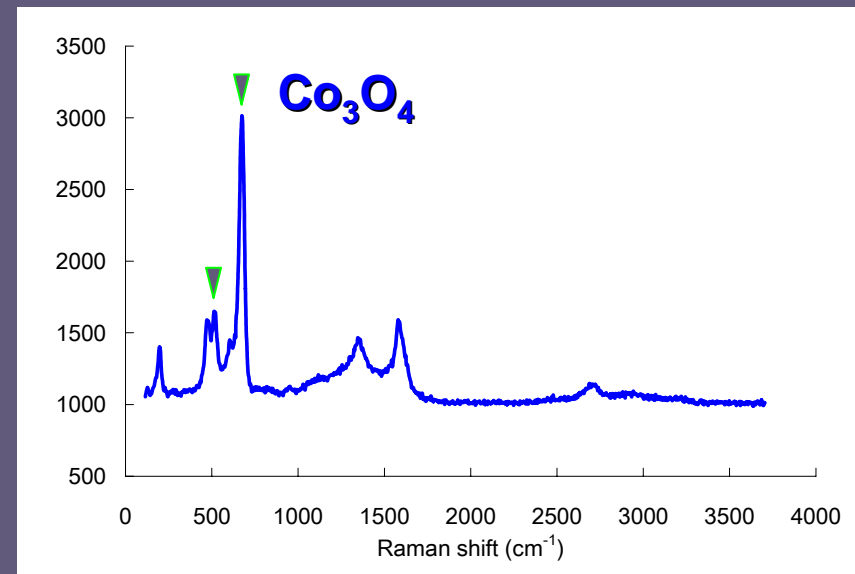
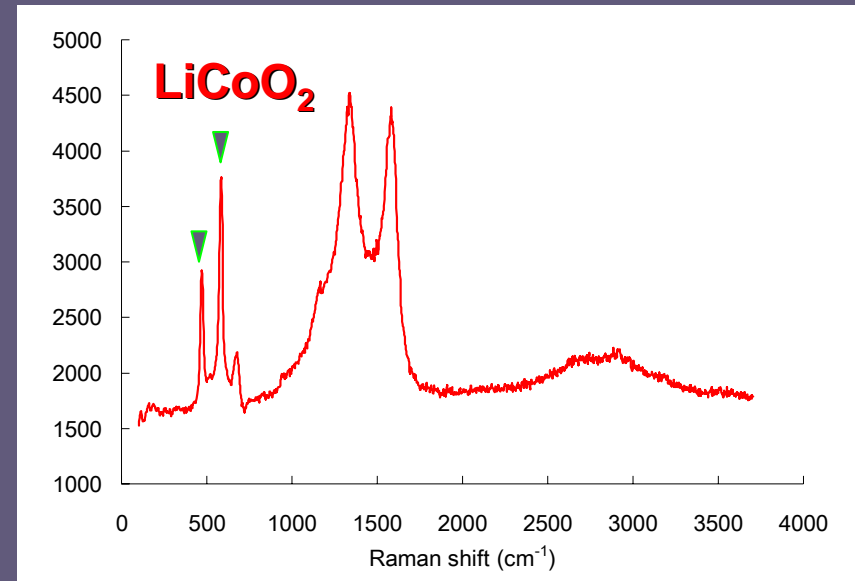


Positive electrode in Lithium ion battery



Normal Li ion battery: only  $\text{LiCoO}_2$  can be detected.

Degraded Li ion battery: also  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$  can be detected.

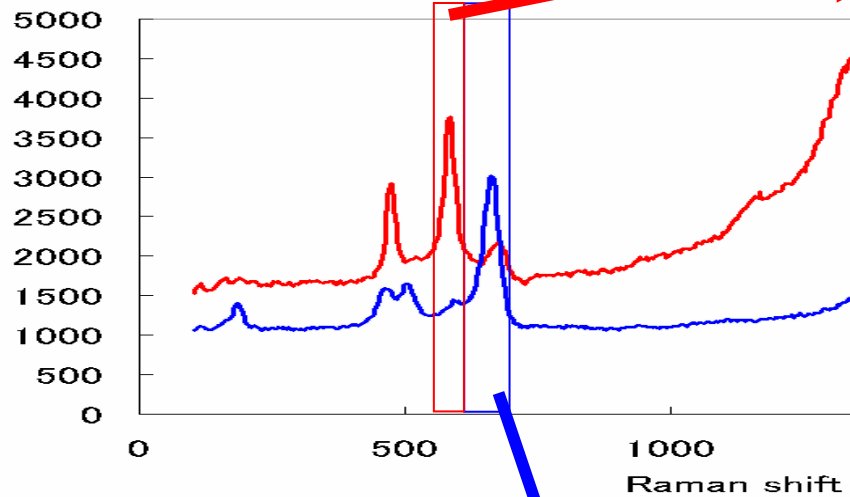


Different Raman spectrum in same Sample

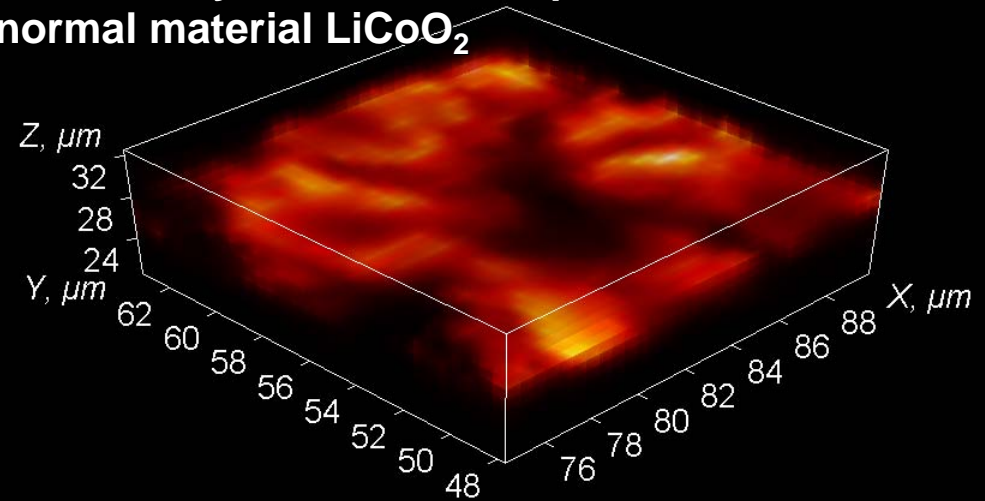
Raman analysis of Lithium ion battery

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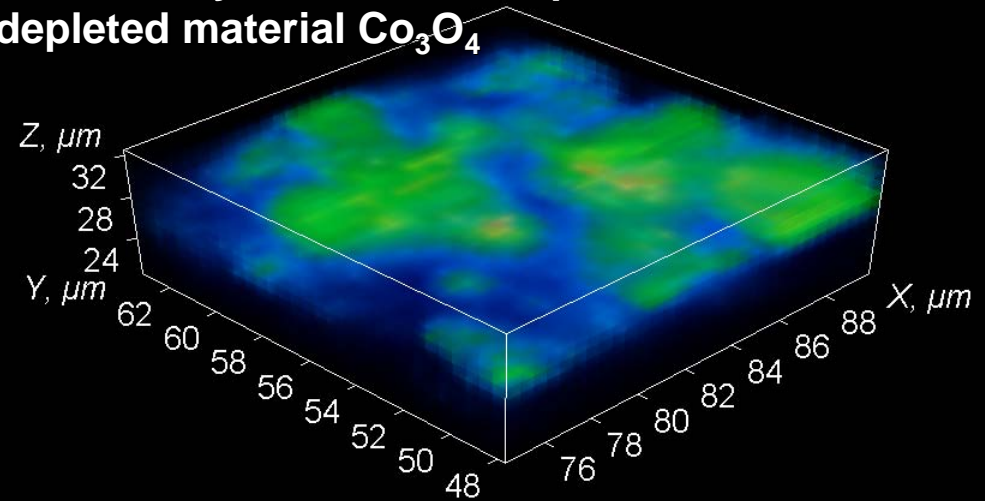
## Raman Spectrum at different points



### 3D Intensity Distribution at peak ~600 cm<sup>-1</sup> from normal material LiCoO<sub>2</sub>



### 3D Intensity Distribution at peak ~700 cm<sup>-1</sup> from depleted material Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

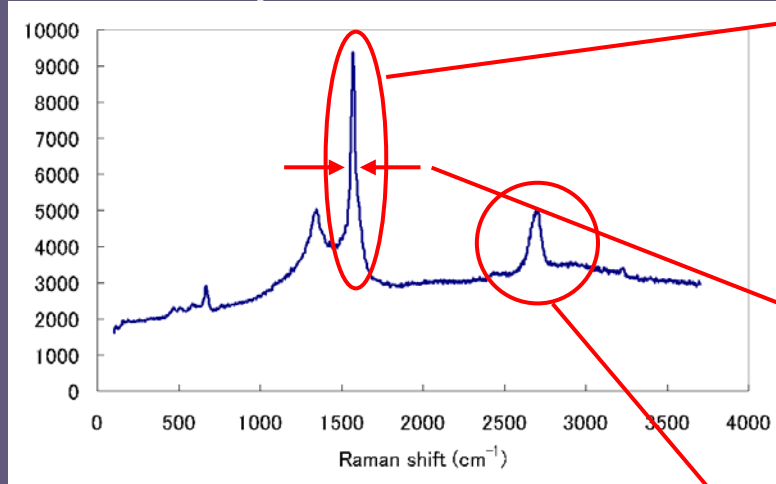


This sample has rough surface due to carbon particles presence. 3D imaging is possible to apply for such samples.

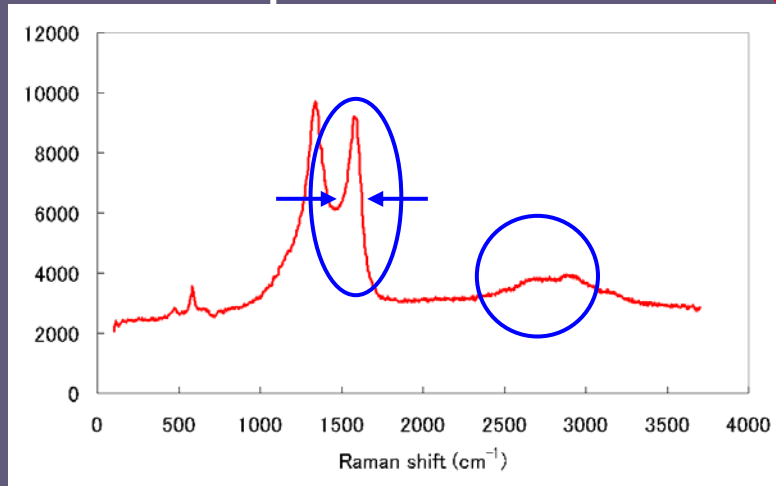
## 3D Raman imaging (1)

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Spectrum 1



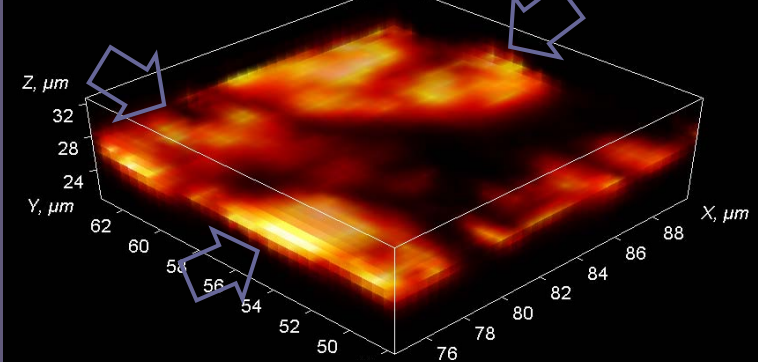
Spectrum 2



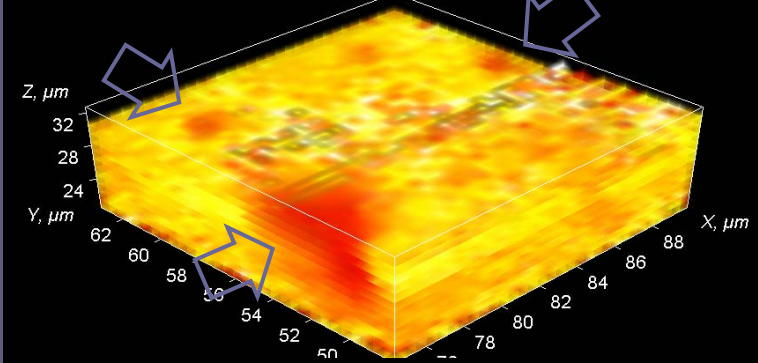
Distribution of Image 2 (peak width  $\sim 1500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and Image 3 (peak intensity  $\sim 2600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) are very similar.

## 3D Raman imaging (2)

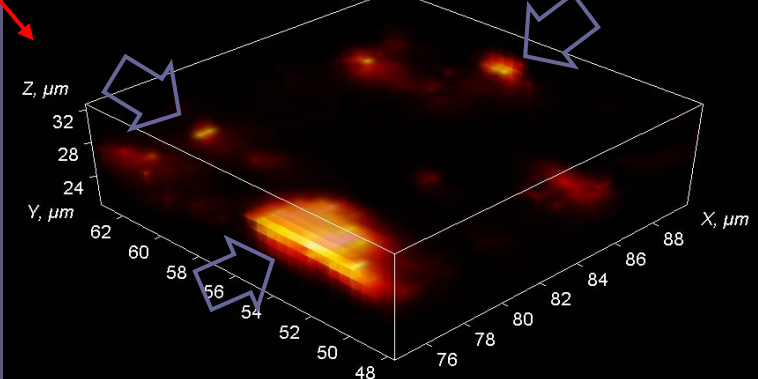
1. Peak intensity  $\sim 1500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



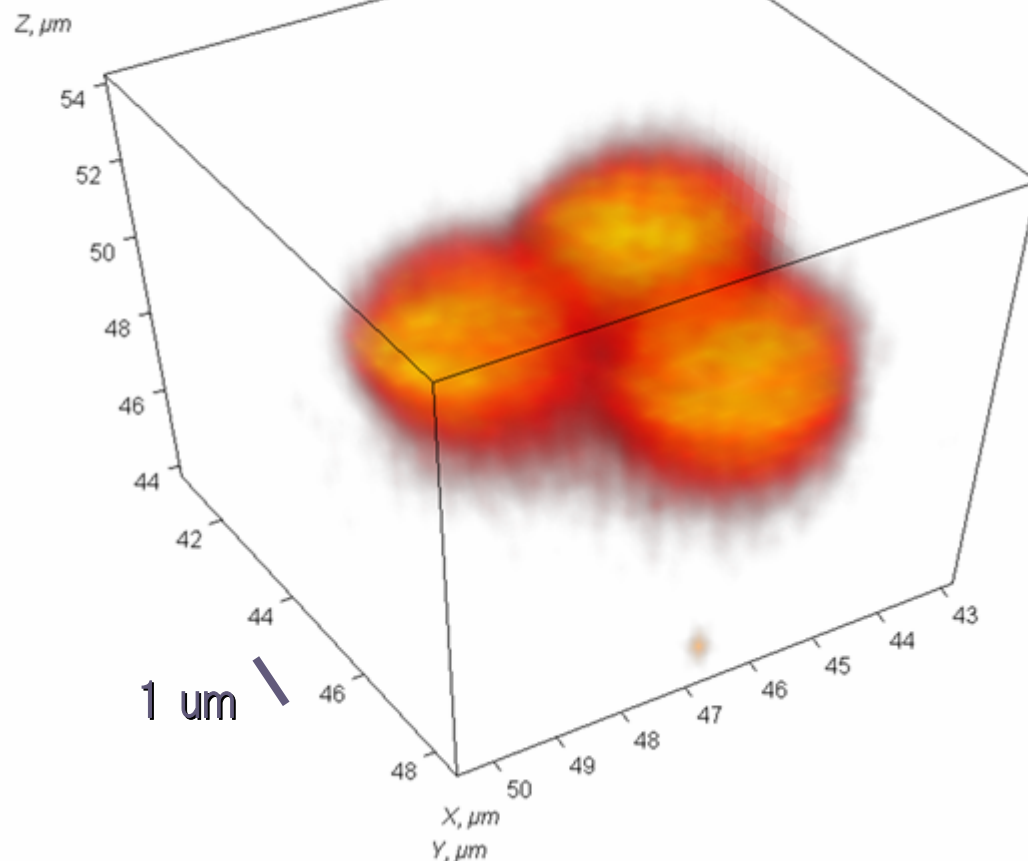
2. Peak width  $\sim 1500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



3. Peak intensity  $\sim 2600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



### 3D Raman image of Polystyrene beads (at 1000 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ peak intensity)



Resolution	: 32 x 32 x 15 points, 250 x 250 x 750 nm step
Measuring time	: 90 min
Mapping speed	: 0.3 sec/point
Laser	: 532 nm, 1 mW (on sample)

**3D Raman image of polystyrene beads**

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