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The God Quasiparticle: The Plasmon and Infrared spectroscopy of proteins

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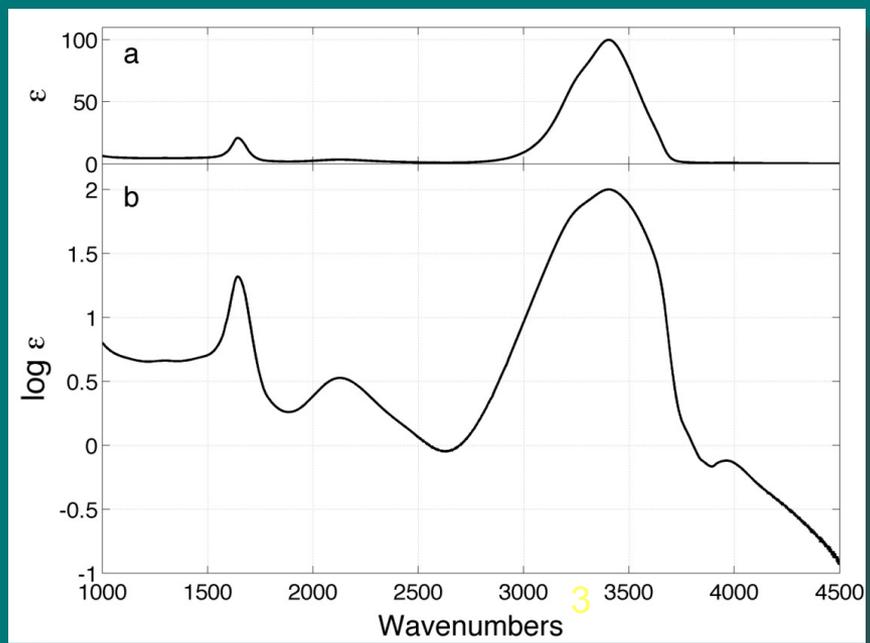
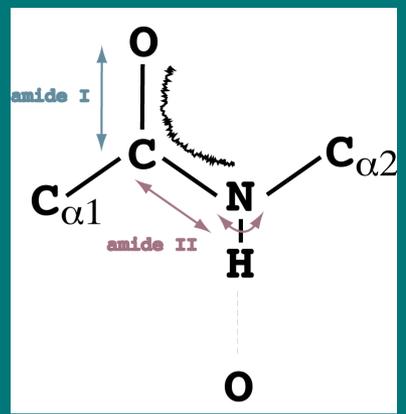
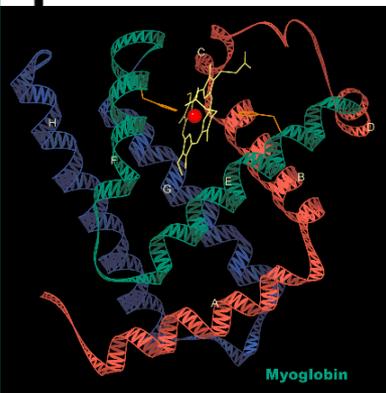
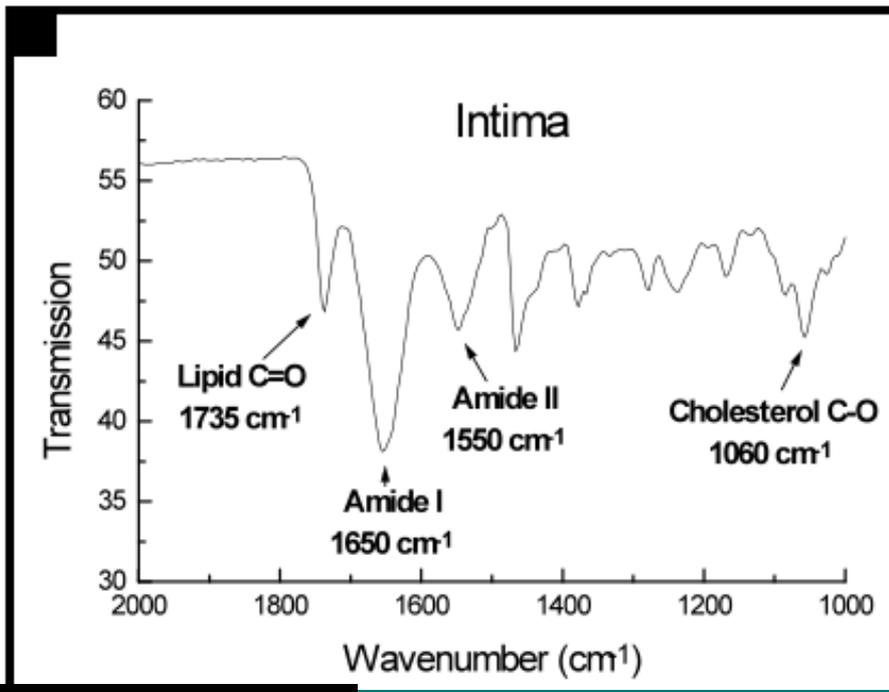
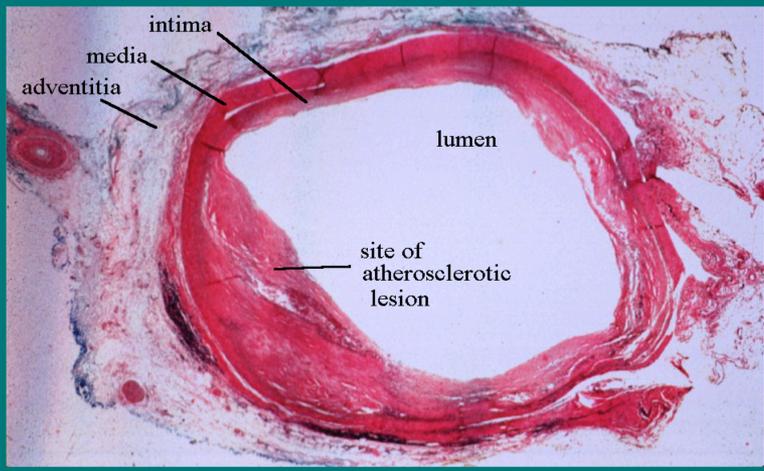
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IR spectra are “fingerprints” of biomolecules

ATHEROSCLEROSIS (“hardening of the arteries”)

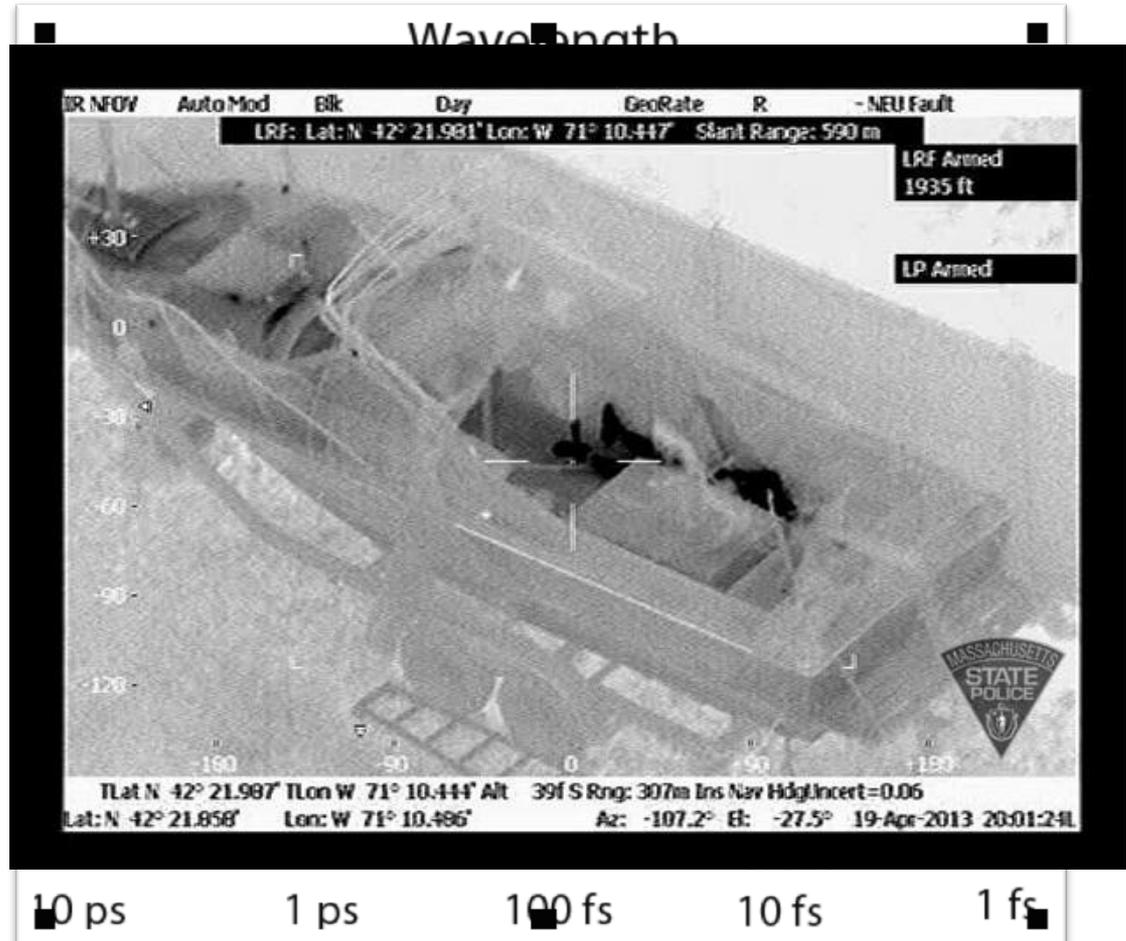
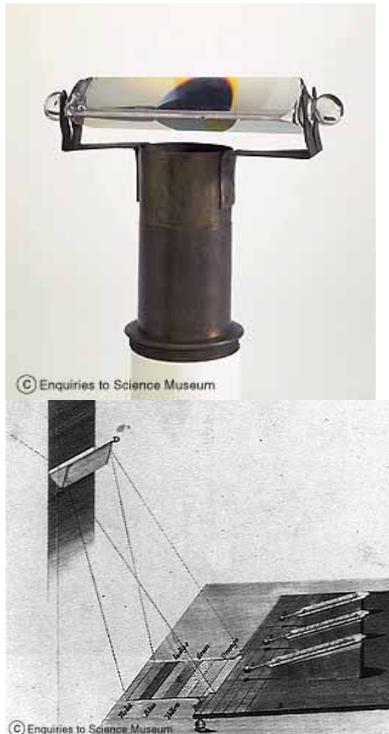


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 M. K. Hong et al (1998)
 Jeff Shattuck, L Chieffo Water (2008)



Infrared radiation

ca1800, **Willam Herschel** discovered 'infrared' radiation.



The Science Museum, UK

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What is a Plasmon? "The God Quasi-Particle"

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{Ne^2}{\epsilon_0 m}$$
 defines the "Plasma Frequency"

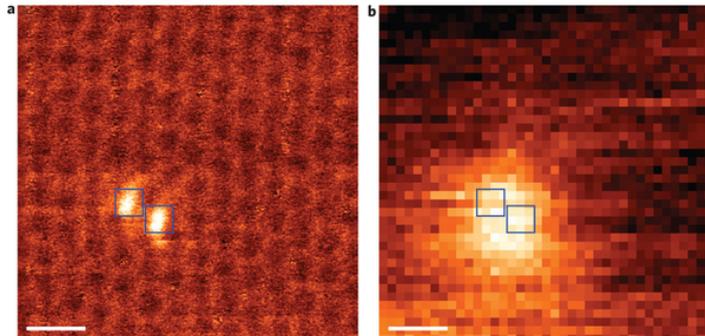
Highest frequency of response

Corresponds to a collective oscillation of ALL the electrons

The Quasi-particle "Plasmon" is extraordinarily important

"Plasmonics" is one of the hottest fields in Physics today

2-D manifestation is the "Surface Plasmon"



"Atomically localized plasmon enhancement in graphene"
Zhou et al Nature (2012)
EELS (Electron energy loss spectroscopy)

Numbers for The God Quasi-Particle

The Plasmon

$$\boxed{\omega_p^2 = \frac{Ne^2}{\epsilon_0 m}} \text{ defines the "Plasma Frequency"}$$

1) Copper metal at room temperature:

$$N \simeq 9 \times 10^{29} \text{ m}^{-3} \Rightarrow \omega_p \doteq "8.7 \text{ eV}" \text{ or } "2.1 \text{ PHz}" \text{ or} \\ \dots "70660 \text{ cm}^{-1}" \text{ or } "\lambda_p = 120 \text{ nm}"$$

2) Seawater ($\sim 0.6 \text{ M}$ salt):

$$\omega_p = 5 \times 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1} ["\text{THz}"]$$

3) Earth's Ionosphere:

$$N \simeq 10^{10} - 10^{12} \text{ m}^{-3} \Rightarrow \omega_p \sim 1 - 10 \text{ MHz} \Rightarrow \lambda_p = 1 \text{ km}$$

The Plasmon is a Macroscopic Quantum Phenomenon

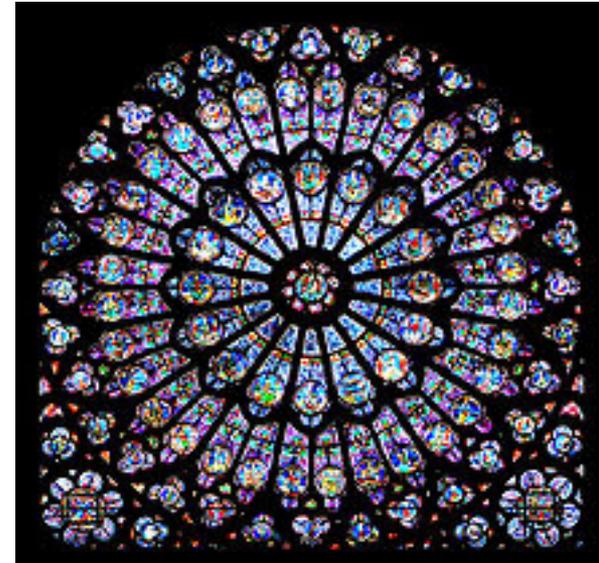
wikipedia

A “collective excitation” in which ALL THE free ELECTRONS in a material behave like one collective quantum particle.

A MACROSCOPIC QUANTUM STATE

- Like flux in Superconductors
- Schrodinger’s Cat
- A famous Italian cookie

Next: Surface Plasmon



Surface Plasmon – Evanescence in both media

Total Internal Reflection

- Critical angle
- “Evanescent” wave does not propagate in air



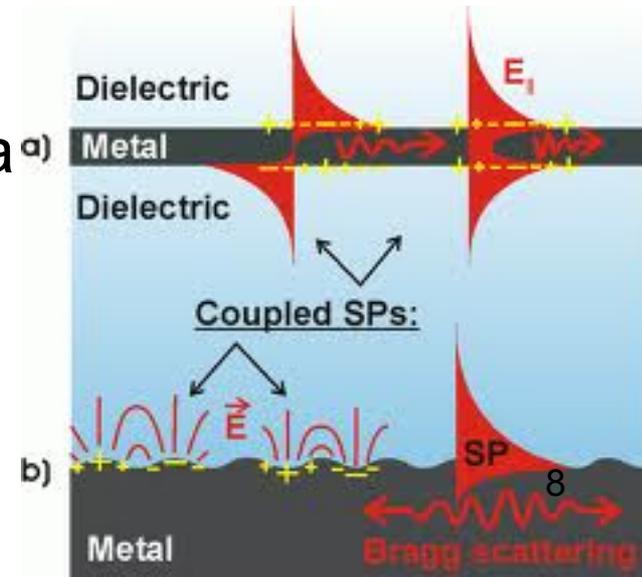
Wikipedia;
Northwestern Marks grp

Surface Plasmon

The Wave is evanescent in BOTH media ^{a)}

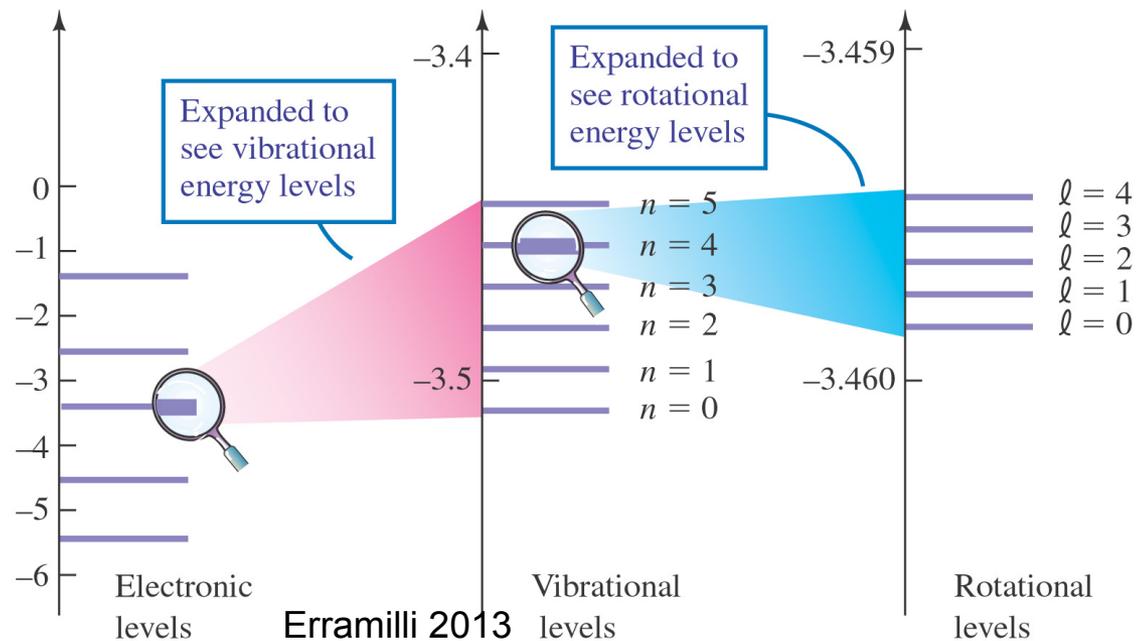
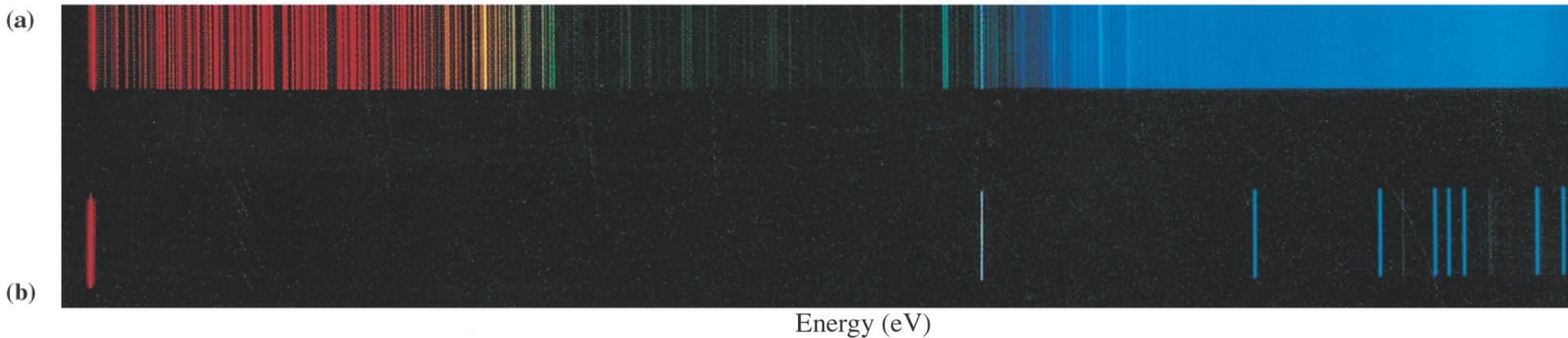
- Wave can only propagate along the surface
- Localized & Collective effects can enhance
- E-fields and B-fields

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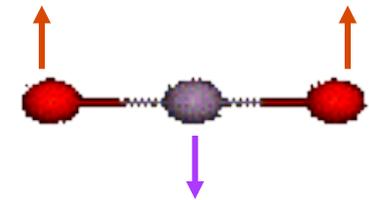
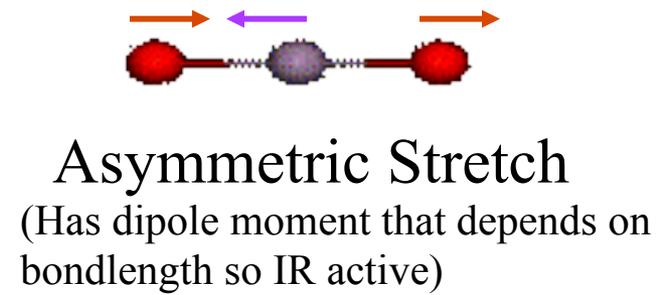
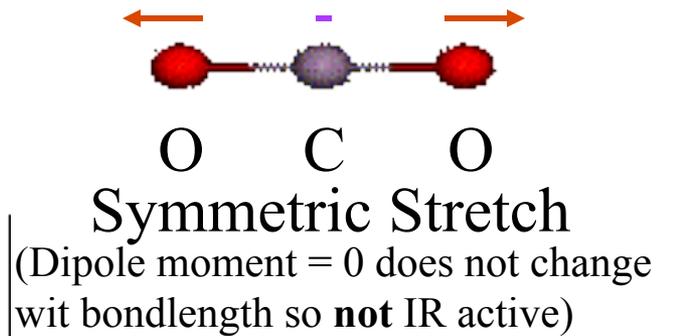
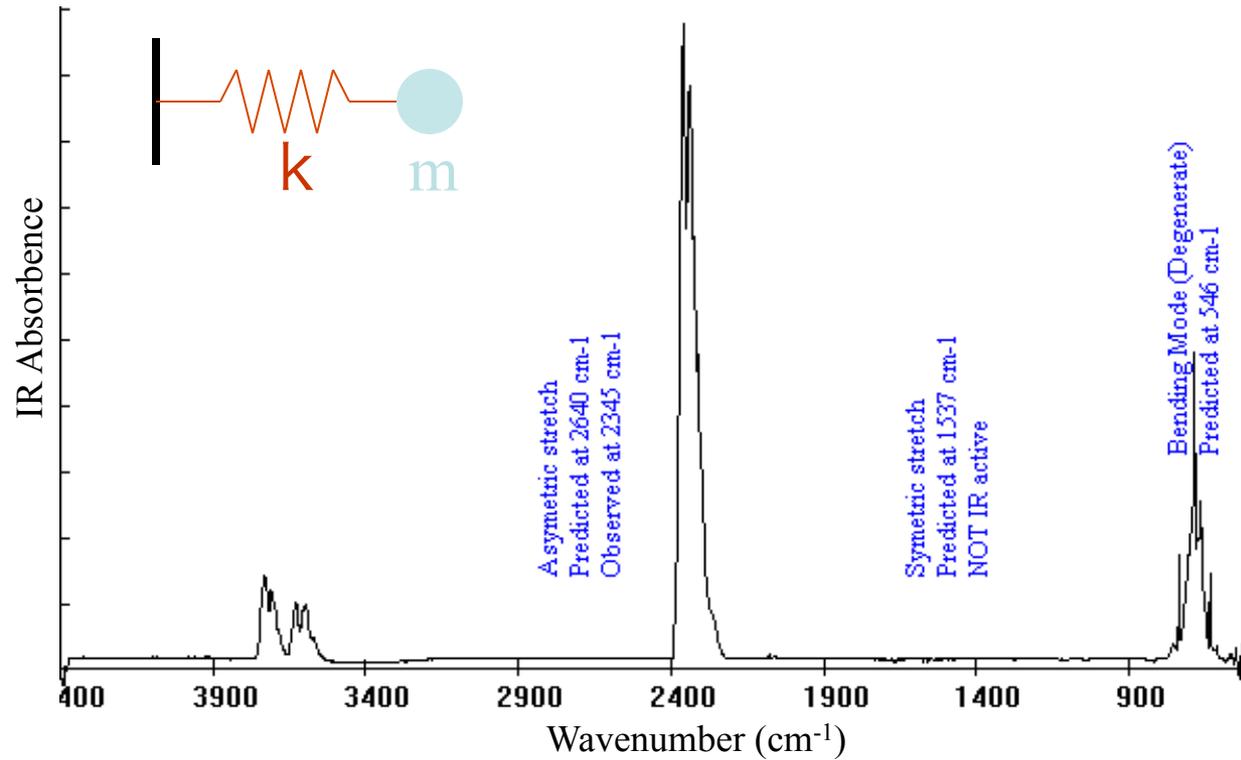




Back to IR spectroscopy Comparison of the spectra of (a) molecular hydrogen and (b) atomic hydrogen



Vibrational spectroscopy: CO₂



A Dipole Moment = charge imbalance in the molecule

Infrared spectroscopy

Erre, 2013

Raman spectroscopy: a polarizability

Legacy of IR spectroscopy on Biomolecules

Volume 1. July-August, 1893. Number 1.

THE PHYSICAL REVIEW.

A STUDY OF THE TRANSMISSION SPECTRA OF
CERTAIN SUBSTANCES IN THE INFRA-RED.

BY ERNEST F. NICHOLS.

WITHIN a few years the study of obscure radiation has been greatly advanced by systematic inquiry into the laws of dispersion of the infra-red rays by Langley,¹ Rubens,² Rubens and Snow,³ and others. Along with this advancement has come the more extended study of absorption in this region. The absorption of atmospheric gases has been studied by Langley¹ and by Ångström.⁴ Ångström⁵ has made a study of the absorption of certain vapors in relation to the absorption of the same substances in the liquid state, and the absorption of a number of liquids and solids has been investigated by Rubens.⁶

In the present investigation, the object of which was to extend this line of research, the substances studied were: plate glass, hard rubber, quartz, lamp-black, cobalt glass, alcohol, chlorophyll, water, oxyhæmoglobin, potassium alum, ammonium alum, and ammonium-iron alum.

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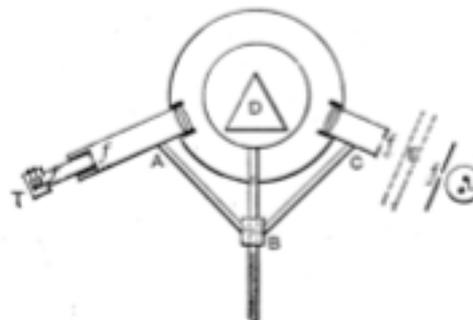


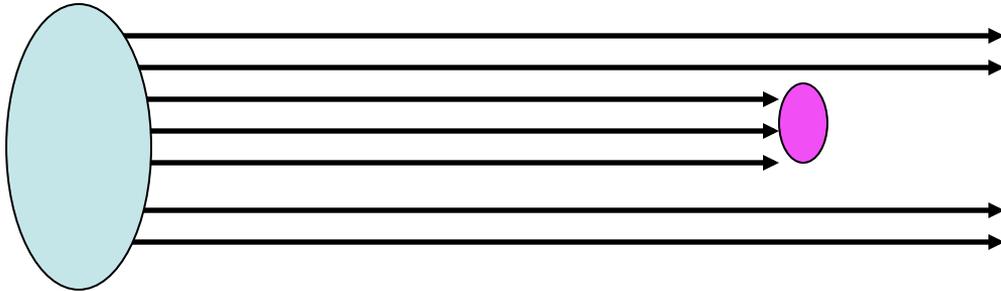
Fig. 1.

Source: Edisonian Light bulb

oxyhæmoglobin,



Cross-sections, extinction coefficient



Absorption probability
- depends on area

$$\sigma = \pi r^2$$

Cross-section is an effective “area” presented by the molecule to the incident wave

“Beer’s Law”

$$I = I_0 e^{-\alpha L} \equiv I_0 \times 10^{-\epsilon CL}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon = \frac{1}{2.303} \sigma N_A$$



C concentration in mM (milliMoles per litre)¹²



Cross-sections: Free electron



Thomson

$$E = mc^2 \quad \text{“Classical radius of electron”}$$

$$E = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_e} \Rightarrow r_e = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 mc^2} = 2.82 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$$

$$\sigma_e = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 = 6.65 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ barn} = 1 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\sigma_a = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 |f(\omega)|^2$$

Fast neutron fusion cross-section for ^{235}U is
 ~ 1.2 barns

Critical mass:

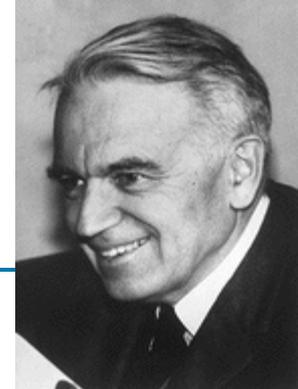
$$M_c = \frac{4\pi^4}{3^{5/2}(\nu-1)^{3/2}} \left[\frac{1}{n\sigma_{\text{fusion}}} \right]^3$$

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Microsoft Clip Art; Trinity test (atomicarchive)

What can we learn from IR spectroscopy?



G. Herzberg

- Molecules vibrate at frequencies in the IR range
- **Chemical Analysis:**
 - Match spectra to known databases
 - Identifying an unknown compound, Forensics, etc.
 - Monitor chemical reactions *in-situ*
- **Structural ideas:**
 - Can determine what chemical groups are in a specific compound
- **Electronic Information:**
 - Measure optical conductivity
 - Determine if Metal, Insulator, Superconductor, Semiconductor
 - Band Gaps, Drude model



Cross-sections: Near Resonance

$$\sigma_e = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 = 6.65 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$$

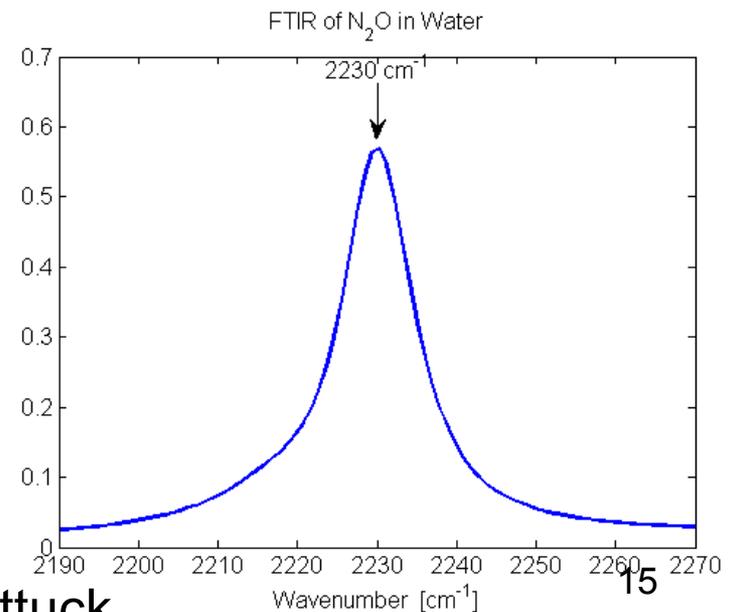
Usually sum over many resonances.

Selection rules imposed by Parity of the dipole operator

$$\sigma_a = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 |f(\omega)|^2 \Leftrightarrow f(\omega) \propto \langle \psi_f | \mu_{ez} | \psi_i \rangle \Leftrightarrow \sigma_a = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_e^2 \left| \frac{f_0 \omega^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + i\gamma_0 \omega} \right|^2$$

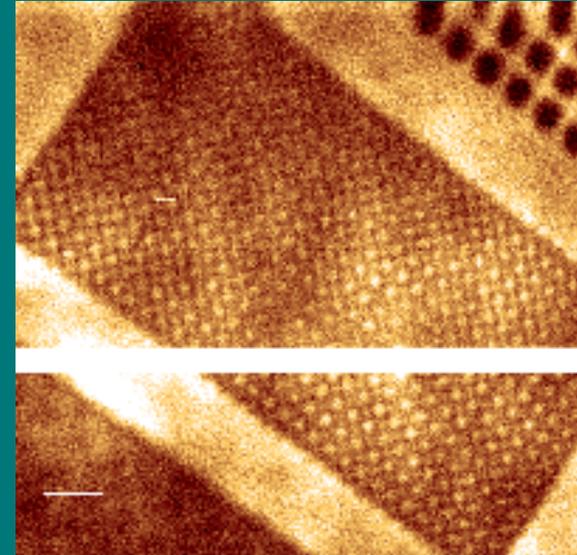
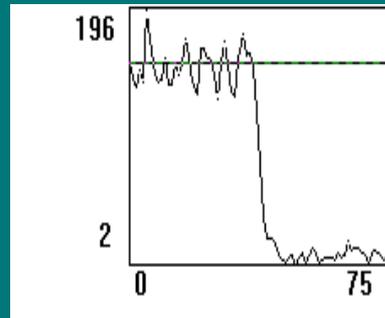
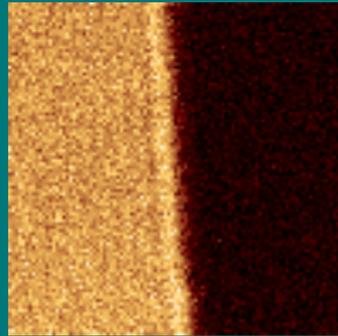
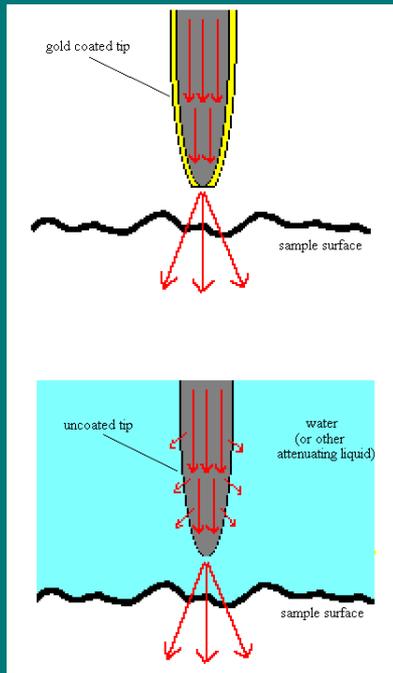
An enormous range in values....

Process	Crosssection (cm ²)
Raman	10 ⁻³¹
IR absorption	10 ⁻¹⁸ -10 ⁻²¹
Single molecule fl	10 ⁻¹³
Neutrino reaction	10 ⁻⁴³



1. Imaging The first underwater mid-infrared image in history (at 6 microns) 1995

Eric Betzig; Pohl; A Levin (Cornell)

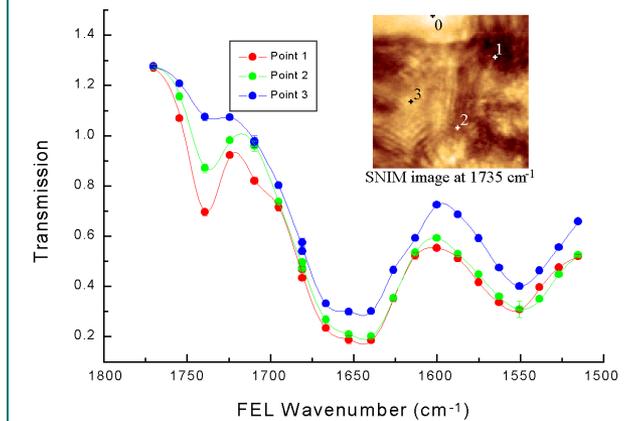
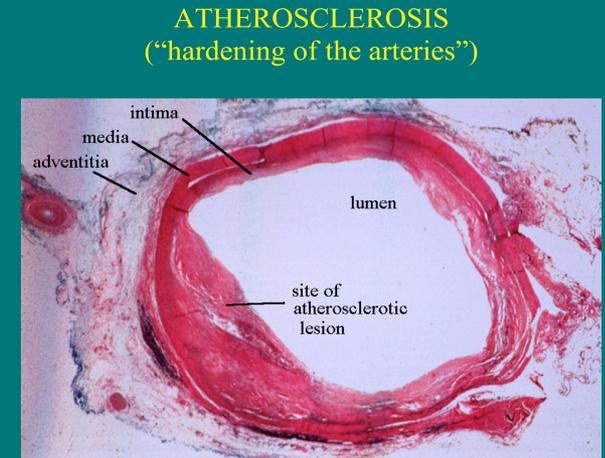
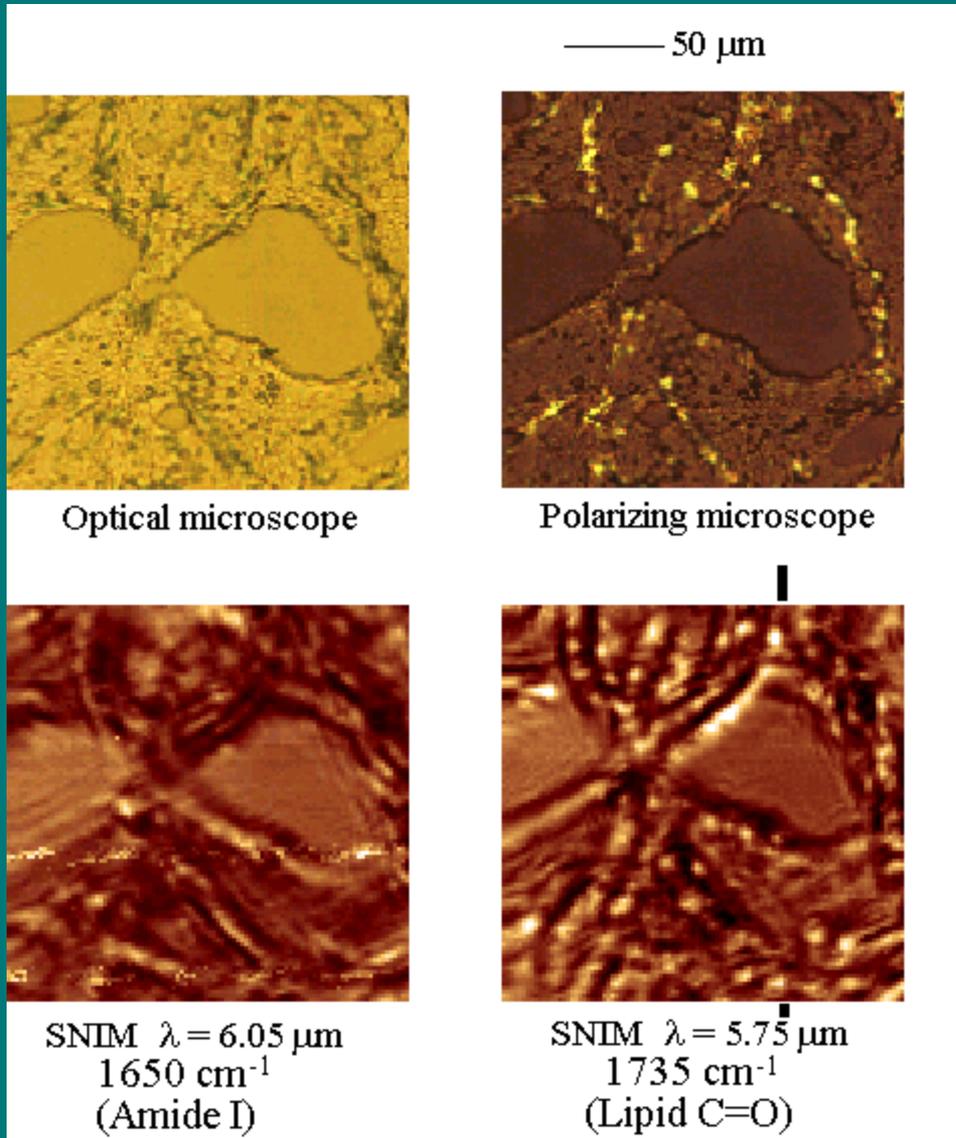


Spatial resolution $< 1 \mu\text{m}$. The very first image broke the diffraction barrier

Keilmann - apertureless methods
Wickramasinghe (IBM)

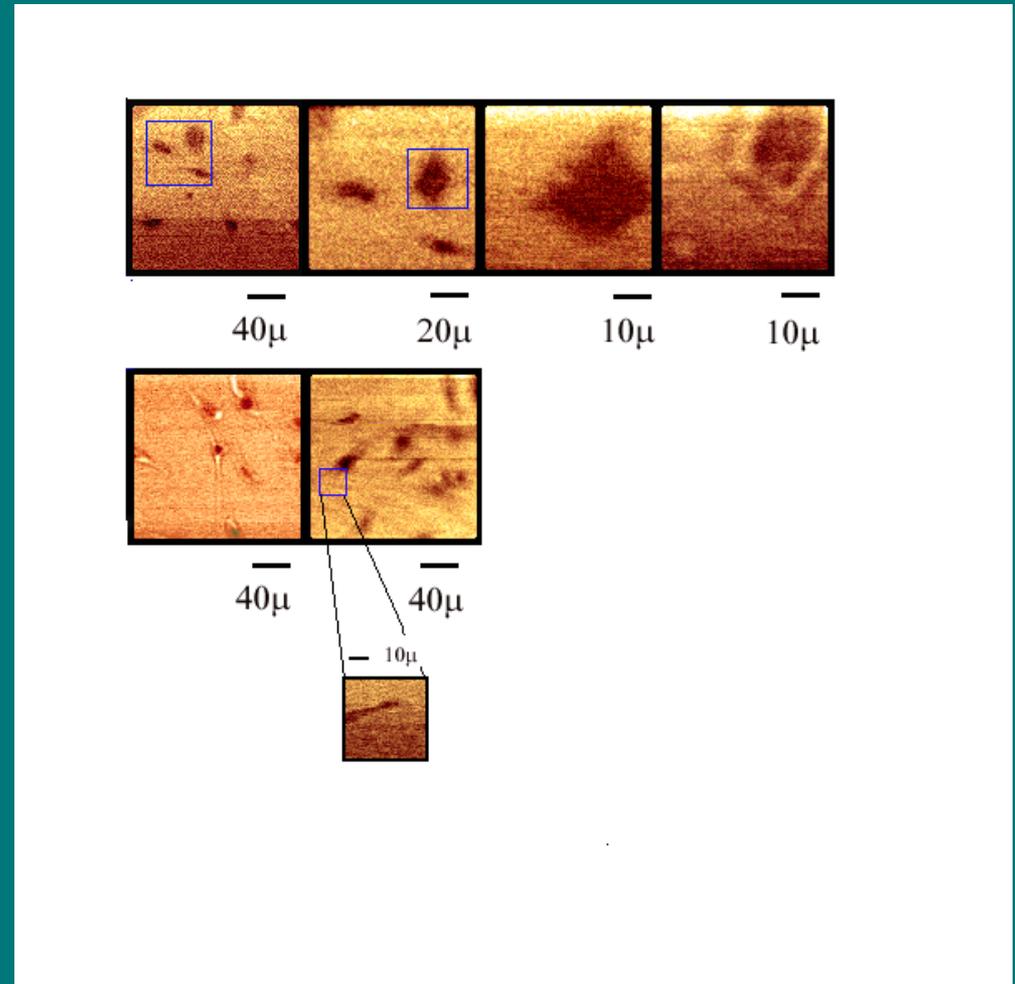
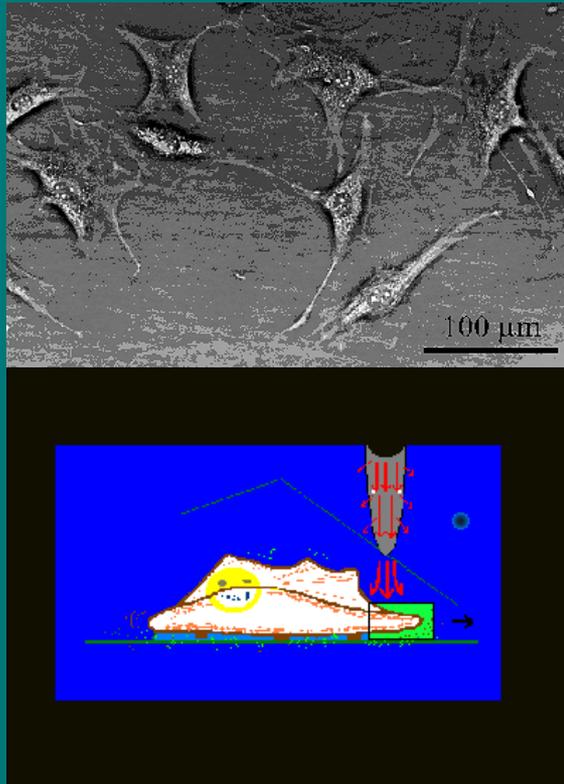
A. G. Jeung et al (1997)
M. K. Hong et al (1998)
Martin & Holman (LBNL)

Atherosclerotic plaque imaging between 5 and microns in wavelength



Jeung et al

First Mid-infrared images of single living cells



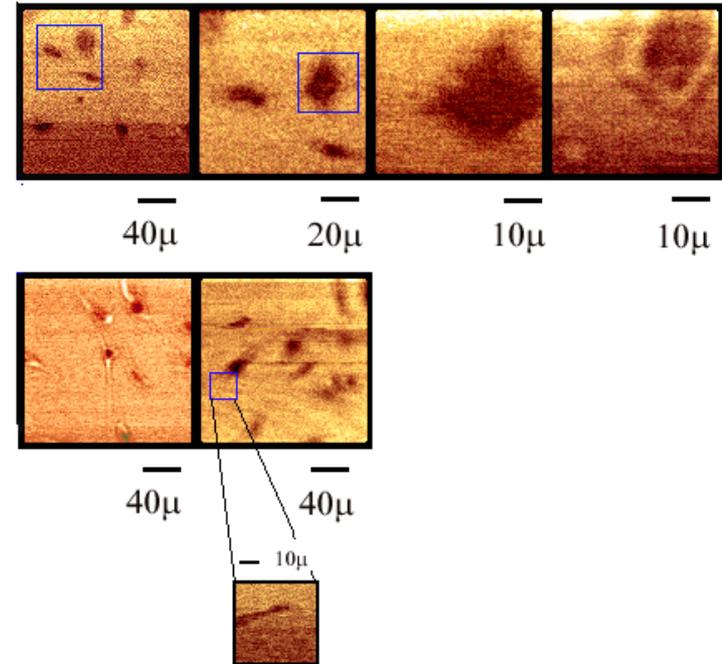
Increased contrast at the lipid absorption wavelength $\sim 1750\text{cm}^{-1}$. All images taken under water
Jeung, Hong et al Nucl Instr Meth

Experimental Observation

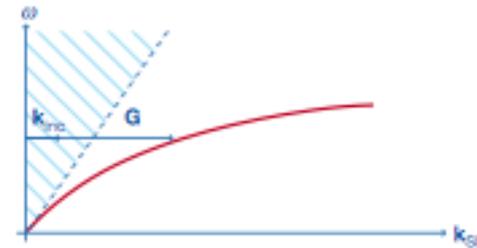
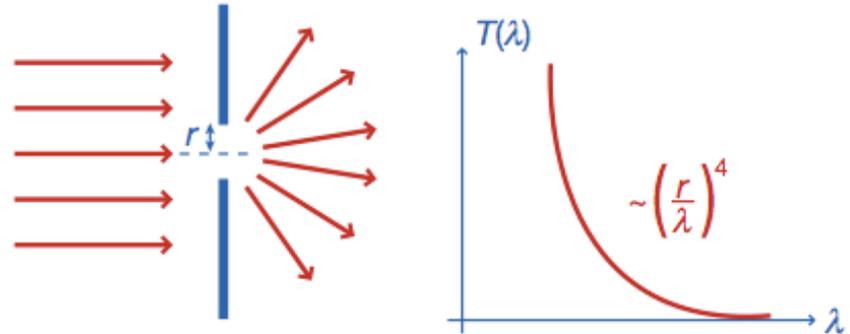
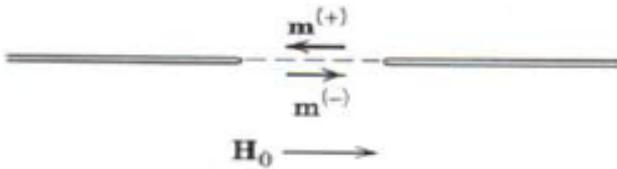
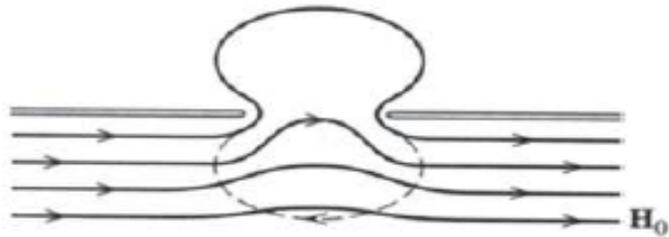
Why is the absorption from lipid molecules in the membrane so surprisingly large?

[~ 50 times larger than the lipid concentration based estimates]

- New biology?
(vesicle transport in the lamellopodium)
- New Physics?
- Answer: New Physics



Discovery of Extraordinary Optical Transmission (EOT)



Bethe: Aperture is \sim magnetic dipole

Transmitted Power falls like $\sim r^{-6}$

$$\eta_B = 64(kr)^4 / 27\pi^2$$

Surface Plasmon

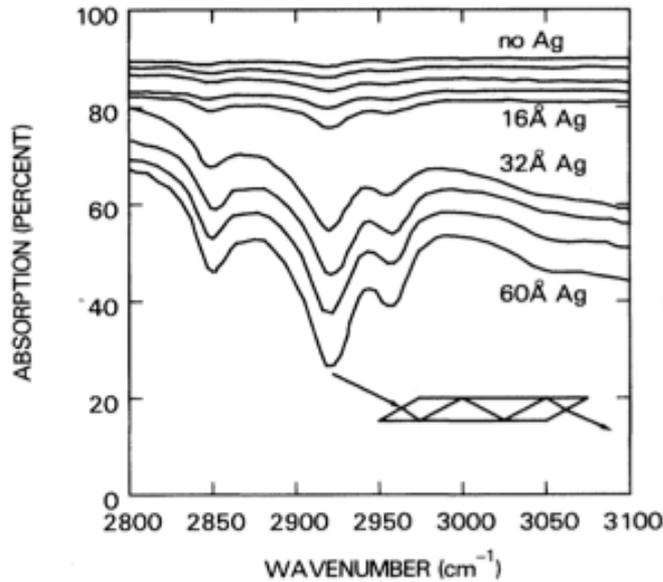
$$c^2 k_x^2 = \frac{\omega^2(\omega_p^2 - \omega^2)}{\omega_p^2 - 2\omega^2} > 0 \text{ for } 0 < \omega < \frac{\omega_p}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Experiments show deviations from ideal conductor:

EOT: Transmission $>$ 2 orders of magnitude above Bethe theory.

History: Enhancement of IR absorption by metal

Why Physicists talking Chemistry is inherently dangerous

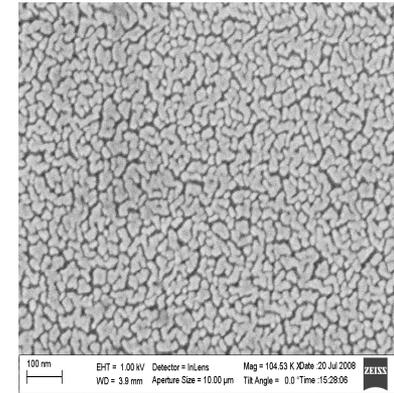


Plasmon
Enhancement
confirmed by
many groups

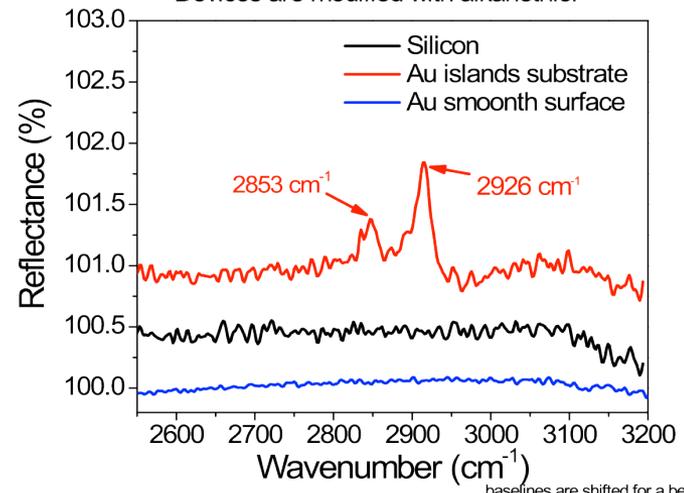
FIG. 1. Absorption of the C-H modes of a monolayer of 4-nitrobenzoic acid. The curves are for increasing

Hartstein, Kirtley & Tsang, PRL (1980)

Problem: Not nitrobenzoic acid.
Vacuum pump oil!

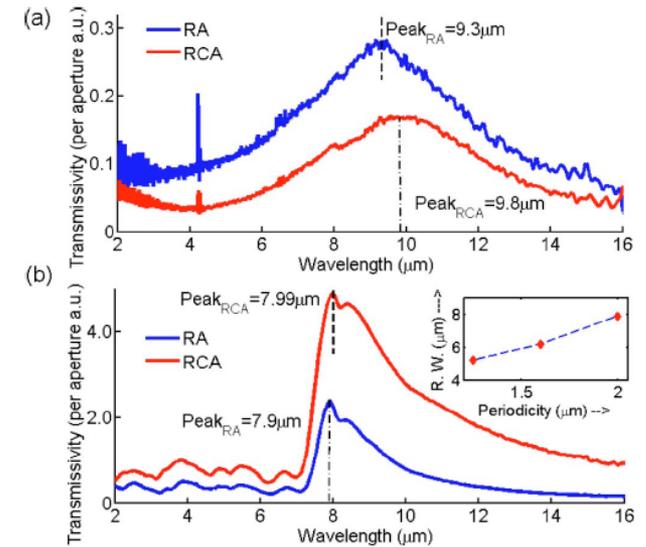
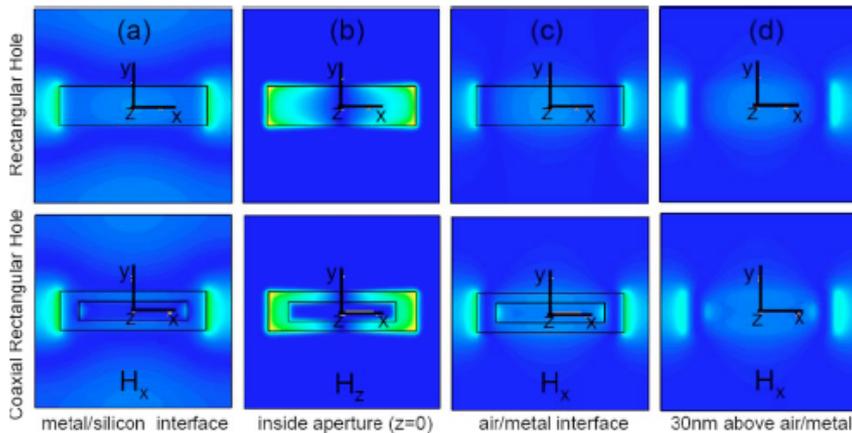
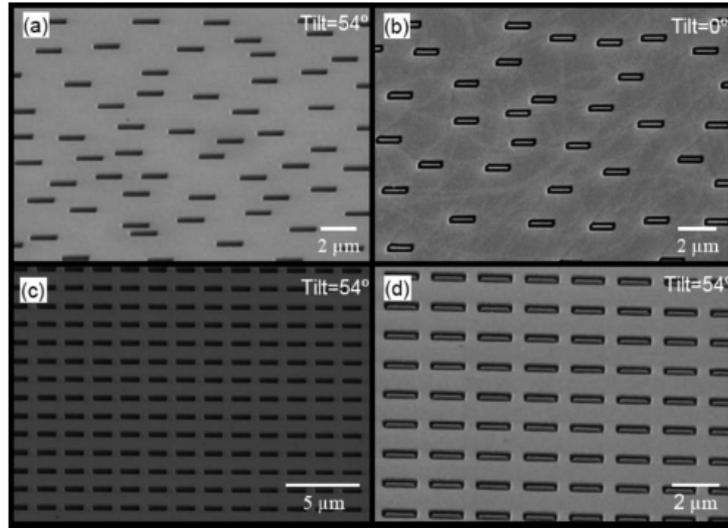


Devices are modified with alkanethiol



Surface enhanced infrared absorption (SEIRA) alkanethiol

Surface plasmon at IR region with nanostructures: Mid-IR EOT of rectangular coaxial nanoaperture array

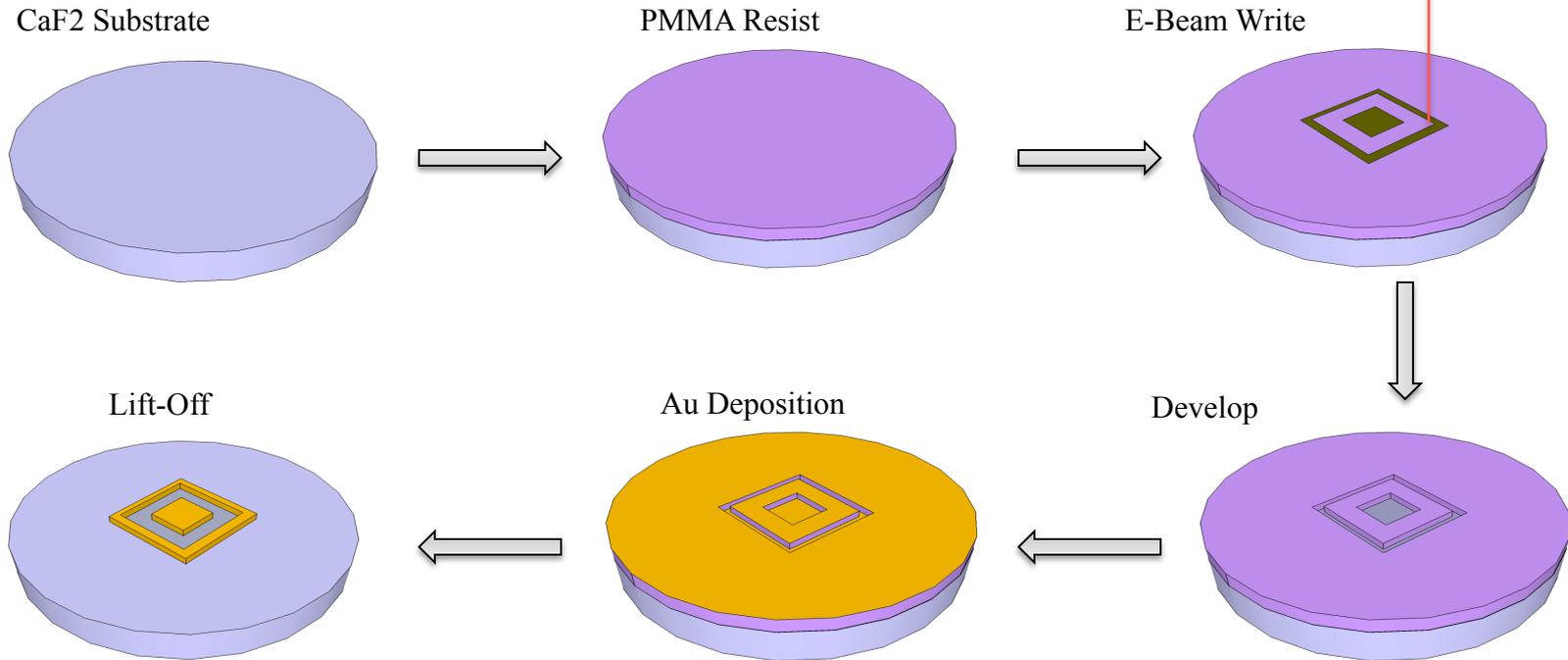


Phase matching condition

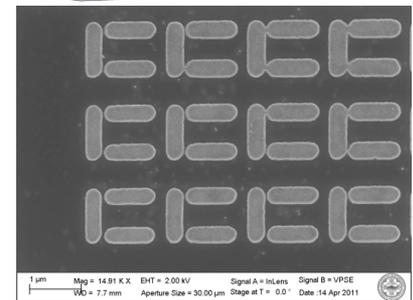
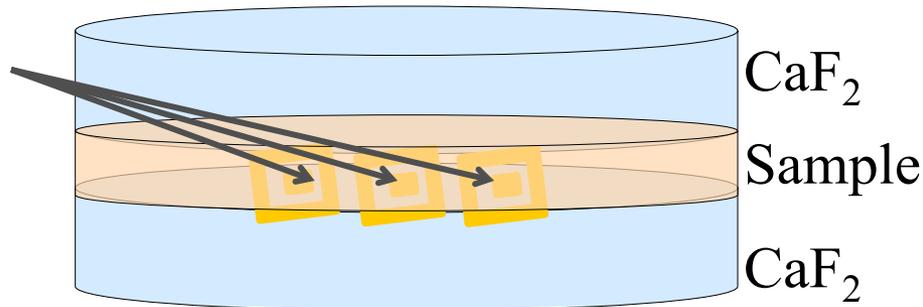
$$\beta = k_x \pm nG_x \pm mG_y = k_0 \sin \theta \pm (n + m) \frac{2\pi}{a_0}$$

$$n_{SPP} = \beta c / \omega \quad \lambda_{SPP}(n, m) = \frac{n_{SPP} a_0}{\sqrt{n^2 + m^2}}$$

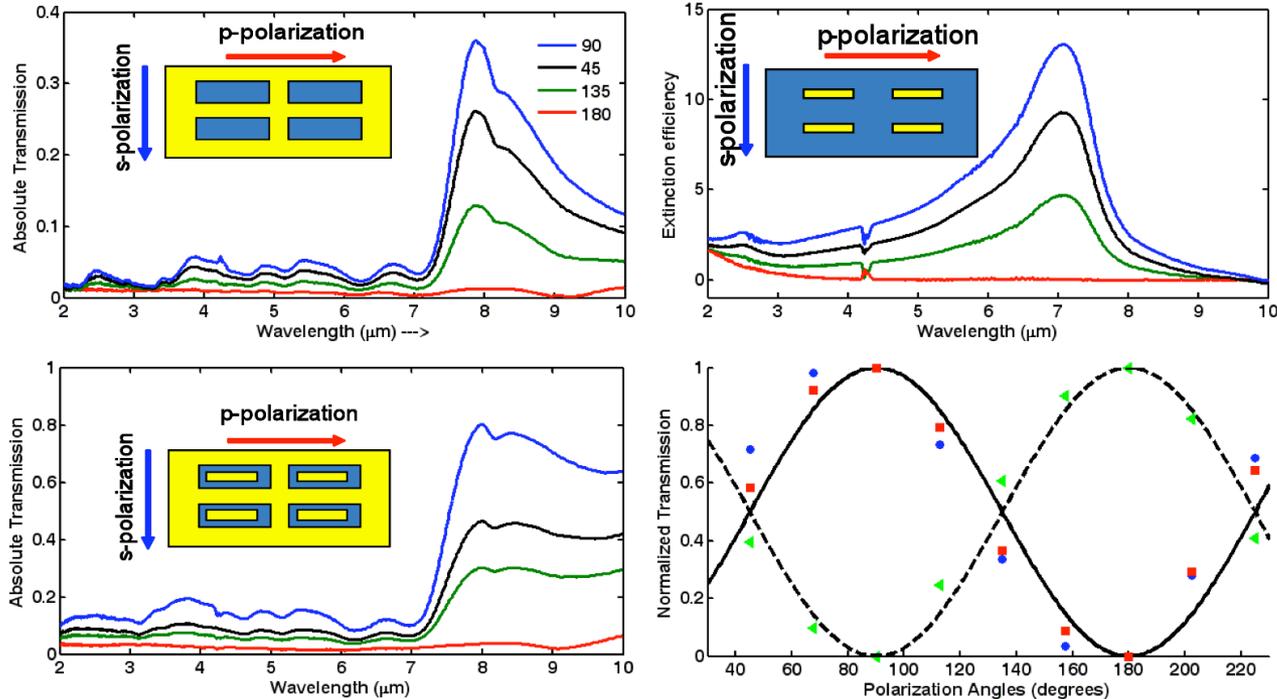
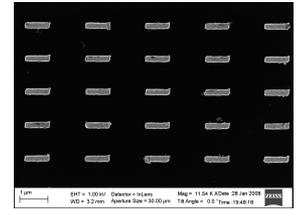
From Paper Napkin to Plasmonic Nanoantennae: Design, simulation, e-beam lithography & IR testing: 48 hours



Plasmonic Arrays



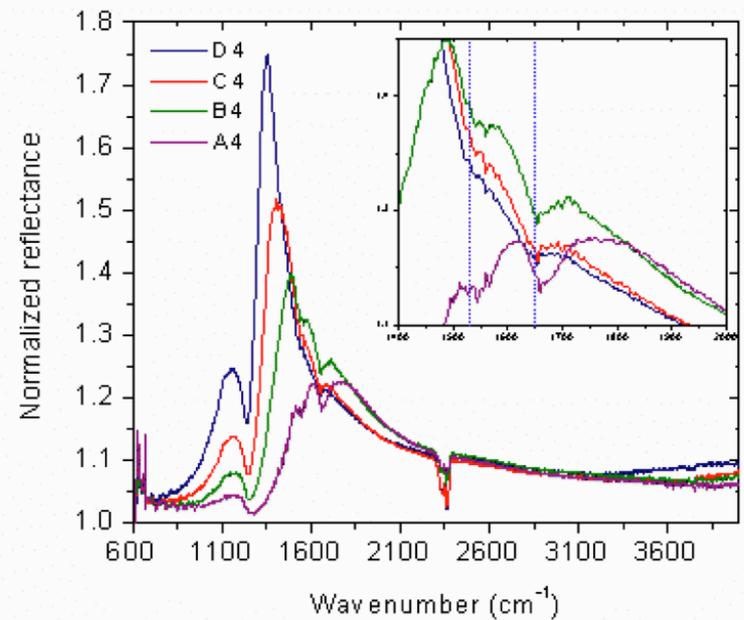
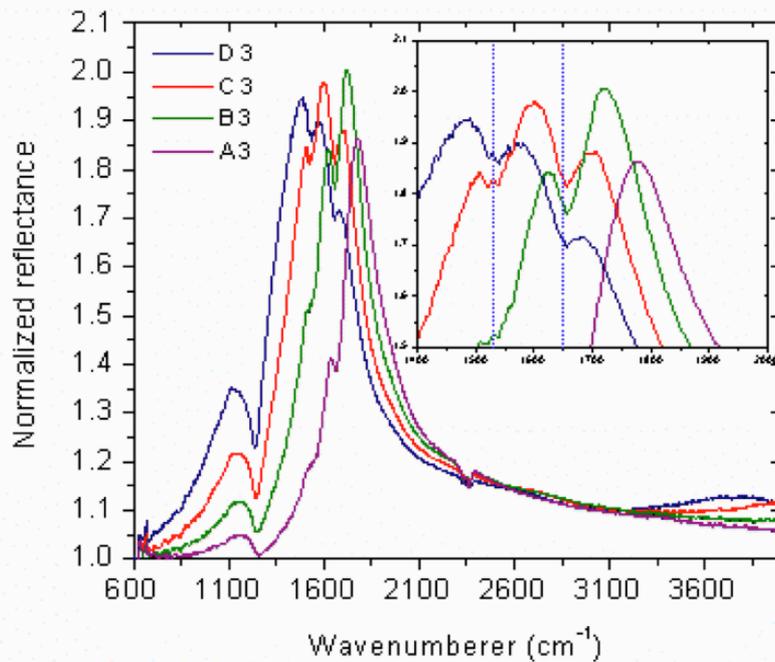
Nanorod antennae



Yanik et al (2009) Polarization dependence of the EOT signal is shown for (a) rectangular and (b) coaxial nano-cavities. Extinction efficiency for Nanorod antennae is given for changing polarization angles for incident light. (d) Complementary behavior of cavities and nanorod is observed.

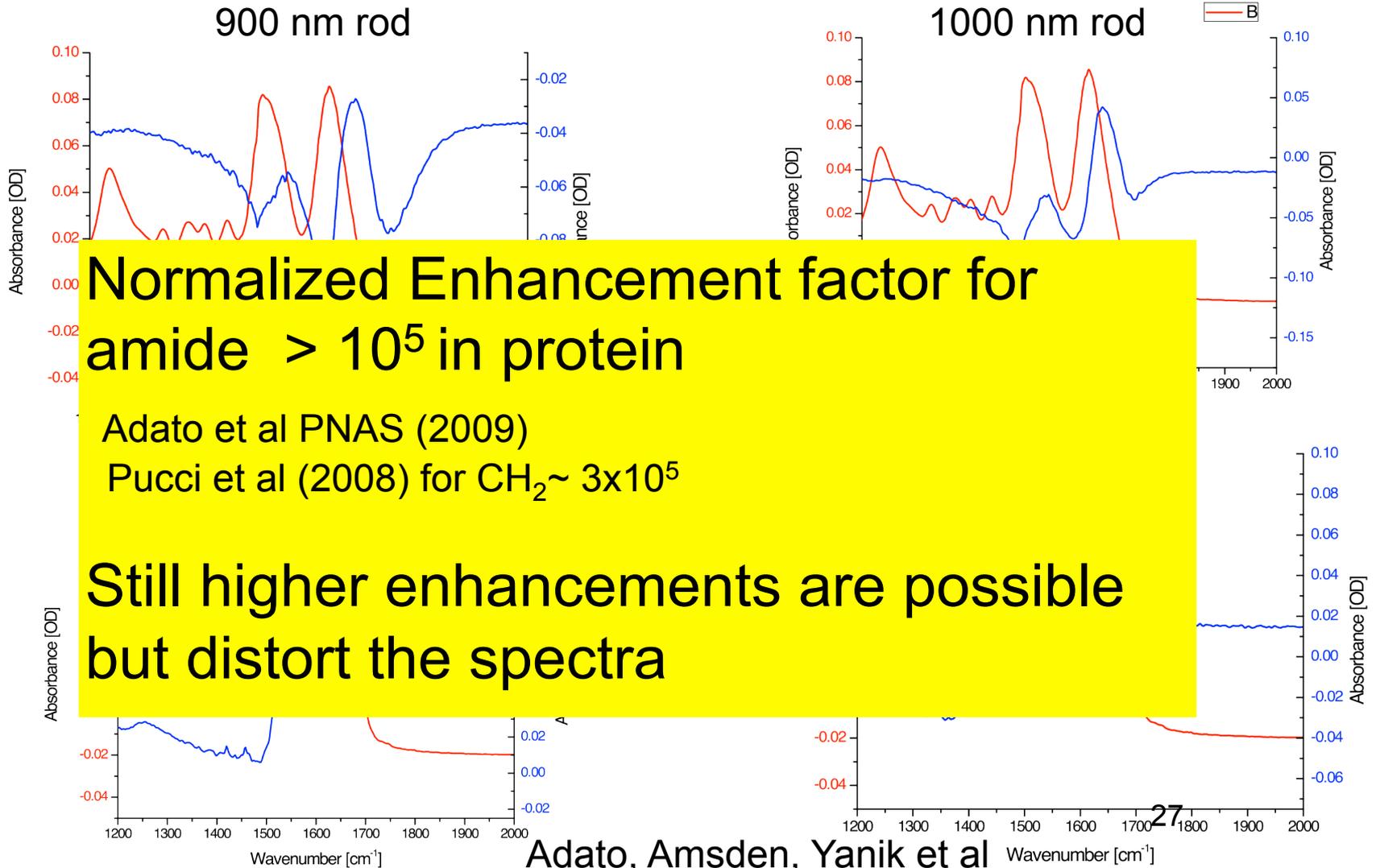
Response is non-local in space and non-local in time (Mukamel)

Surface enhancement of silk fibroin



Rows 3 and 4 of chip 1213c (left, right) correspond to periodicities of 1.5 and 2 μm respectively, with rods 200 nm in width. Inset: Blue lines 1530 and 1650 cm^{-1} [Adato et al; with Amsden, Kaplan, Omenetto, Tufts]

Plasmonic SEIRA silk study

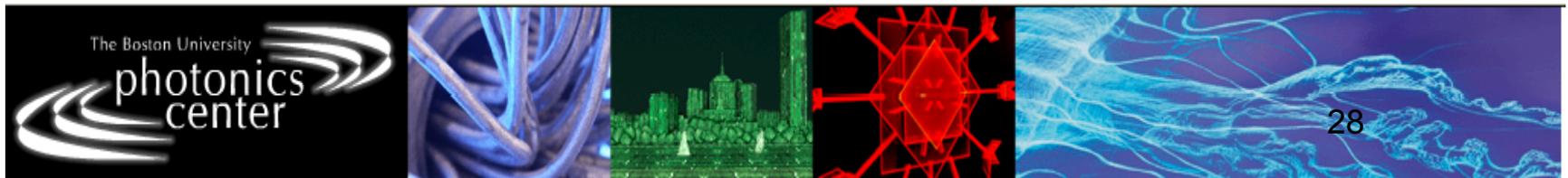


Summary: Infrared Plasmonic Metamaterials

1. Infrared spectroscopy
2. Plasmon and Metamaterials
3. Surfaced enhanced infrared absorption in single monolayer of silk fibroin

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