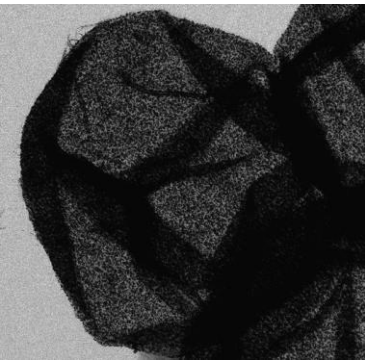


Plasmonic 2D and 3D Microstructures: Assembly and Applications

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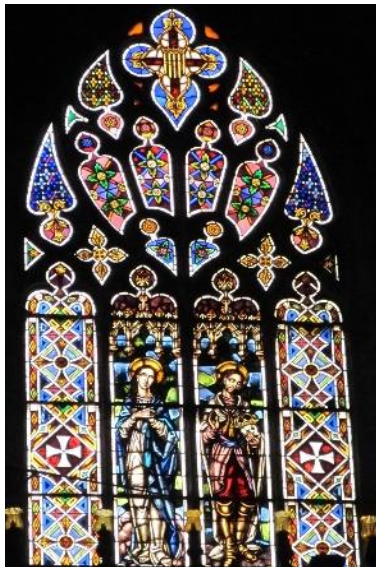


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Colorful motifs of plasmonic

Windows in Churches



LYCURGUS CUP,
Roman goblet dating
from the fourth
century A.D.

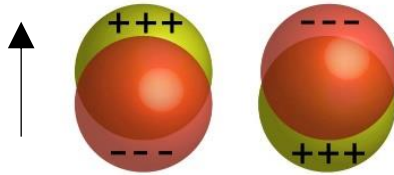
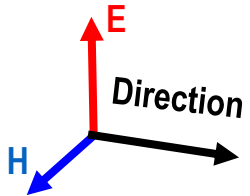


Light out

Light in

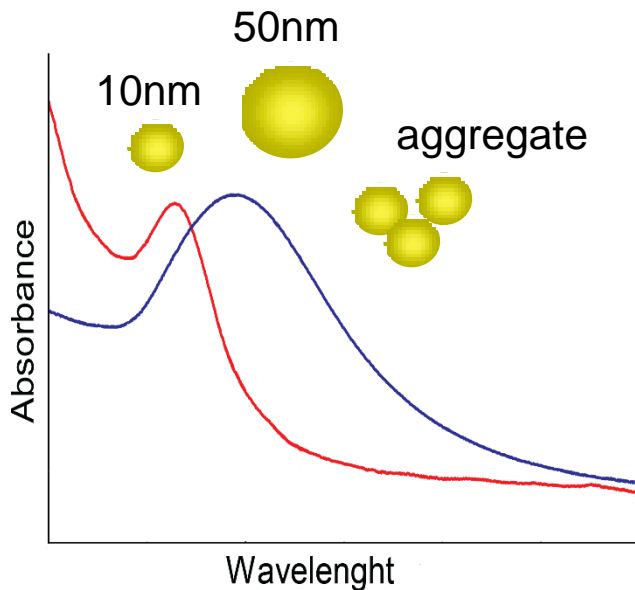
Origin of plasmonic

Induced dipole



$$p \propto \left(\frac{\epsilon(\lambda) - \epsilon_m}{\epsilon(\lambda) + 2\epsilon_m} \right)$$

$$\sigma_{abs} = 4\pi k r^3 \text{Im} \left[\frac{\epsilon_p - \epsilon_m}{\epsilon_p + 2\epsilon_m} \right]^2$$

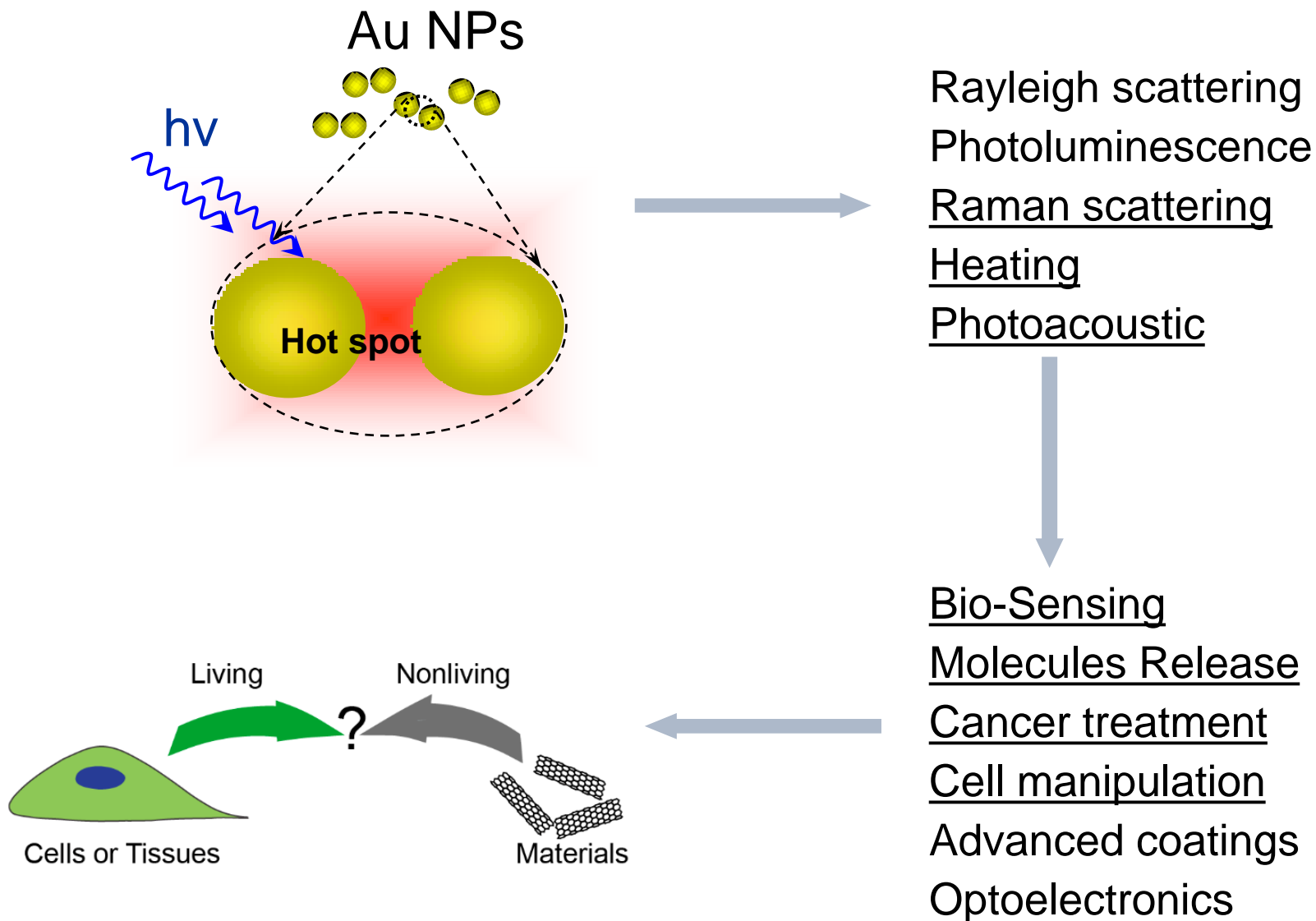


Refractive index
1.336 → 1.583

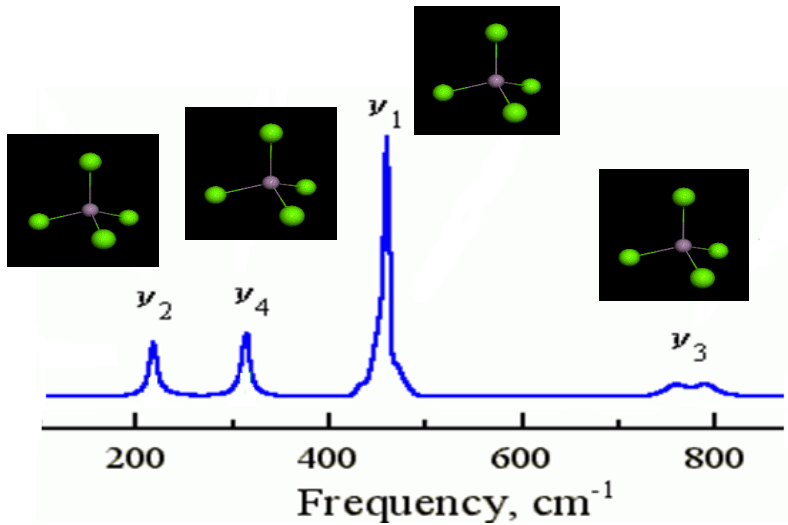
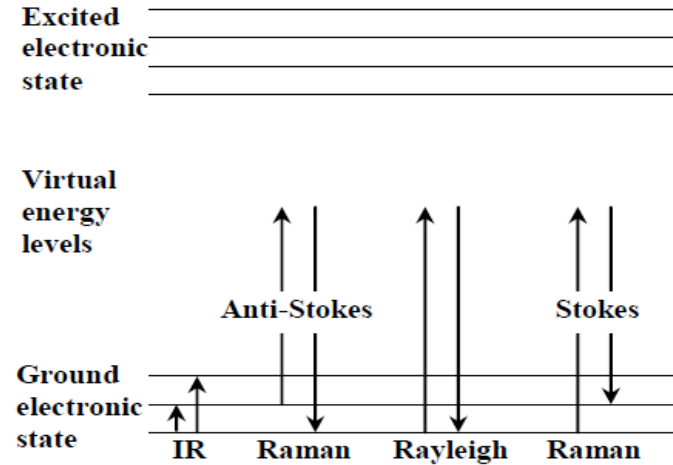
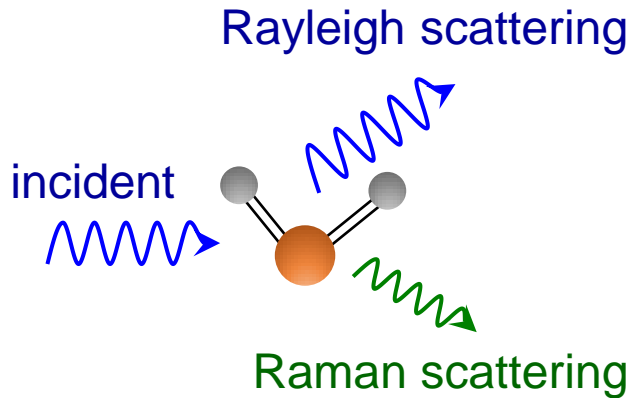


$$\epsilon_p = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}$$

Plasmonic Structures



Raman spectroscopy



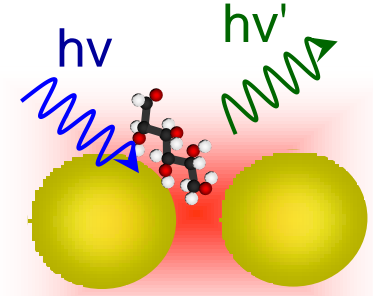
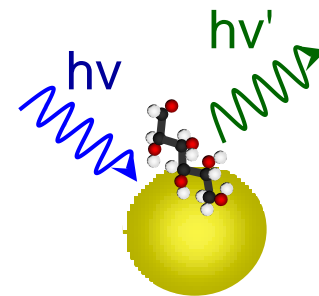
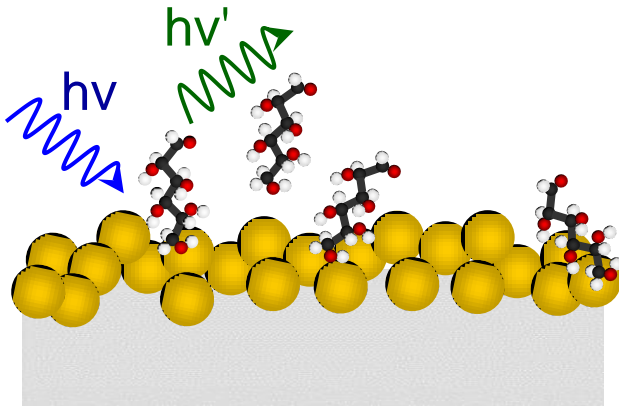
Non-invasive
Fingerprint of molecules
Label-free

Diagnostics, Pharmacy, Art

Cross section = σ_R 10^{-31} - 10^{-29} cm^2/mol

Surface enhanced Raman scattering (SERS)

$$h\nu = h\nu_R + h\nu'$$



Roughened metal surface
Enhancement 10^{6-8}

Single particles or Aggregates
Enhancement 10^{8-15}

Acquiring signal from tiny volume
Cross section $\approx 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^2/\text{mol}$

Mechanism of SERS

$$P^{RS}(\nu_s) = N\sigma_{free}^R I(\nu_L)$$

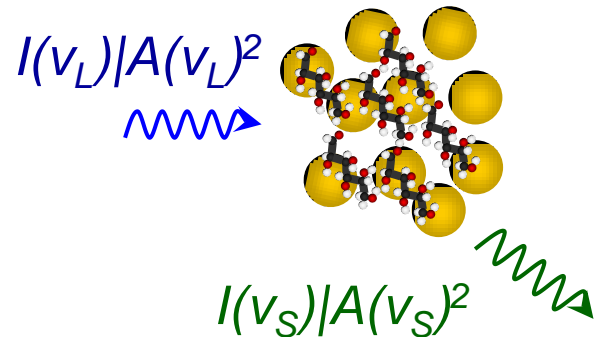
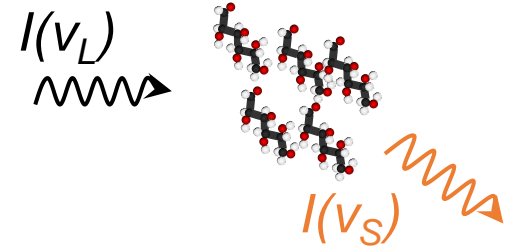
Local Field Enhancement

- Enhancement of the local excitation field
- Enhancement of the local Raman scattering field

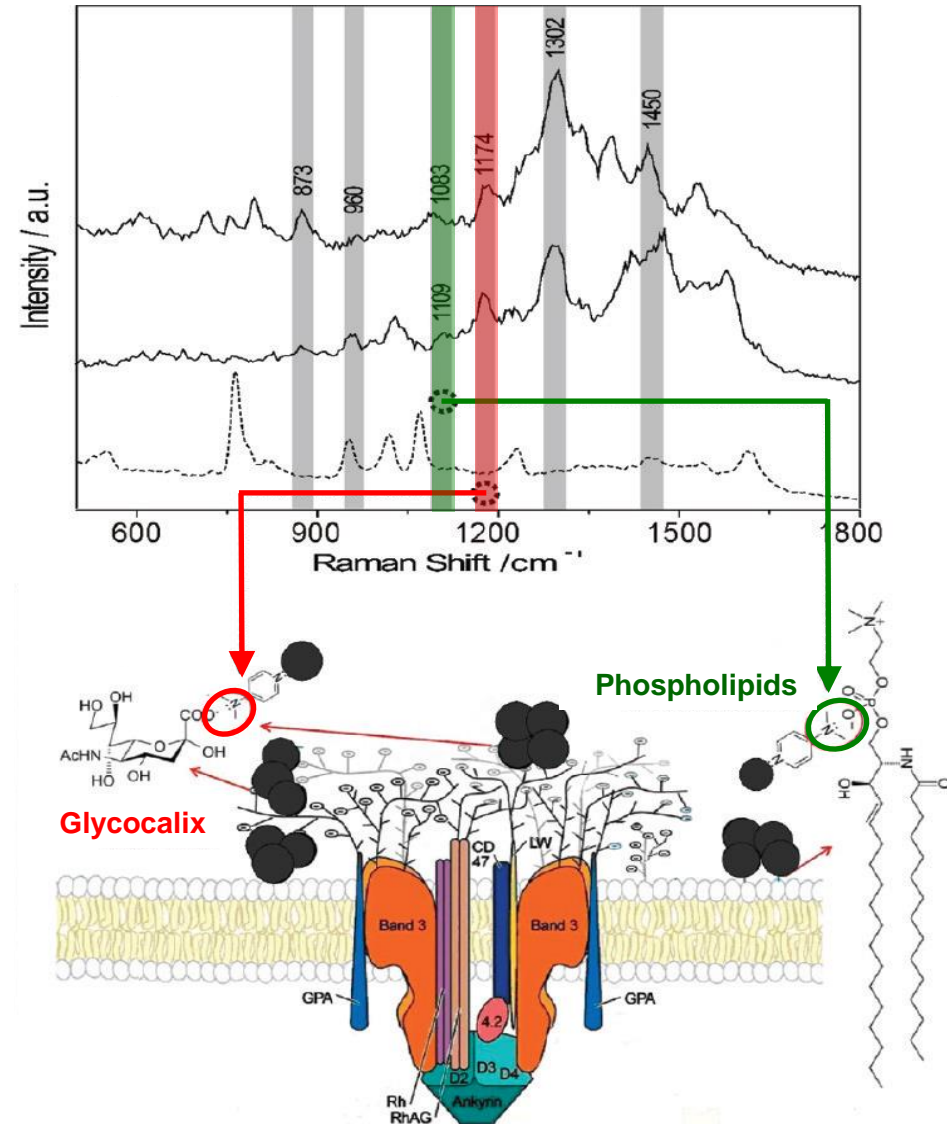
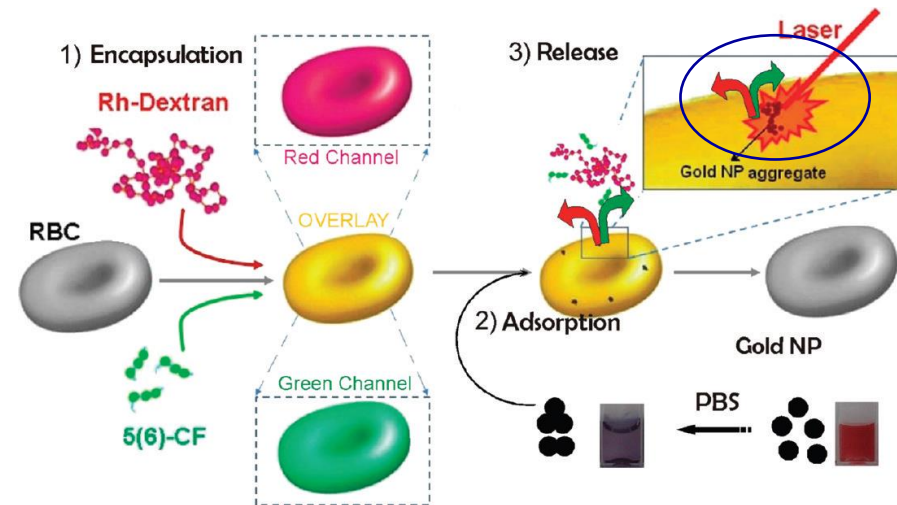
$$P^{SERS}(\nu_s) = N\sigma_{ads}^R |A(\nu_L)|^2 |A(\nu_s)|^2 I(\nu_L)$$

Increase of the Raman scattering cross section

- Electronic coupling between molecule and metal (chemical effect)



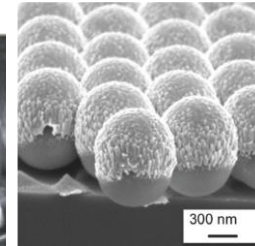
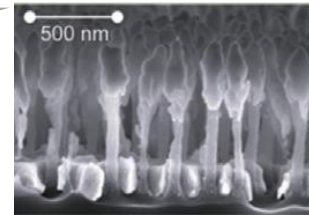
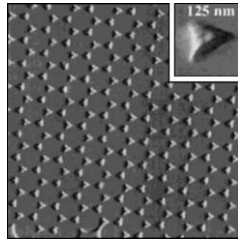
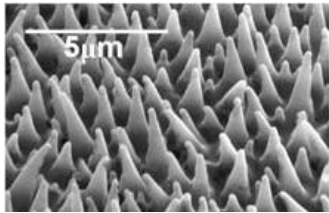
Amplification of lipids and glycocalyx by Au-NPs



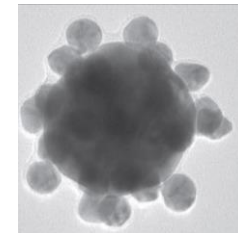
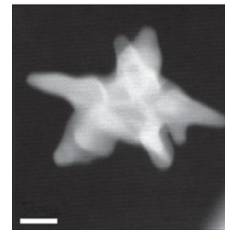
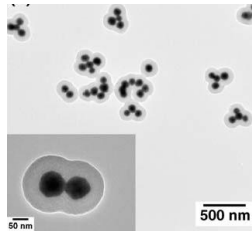
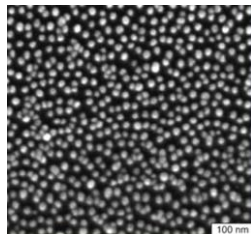
Controlled assembly of plasmonic nanoparticles

Top-down

nanosphere lithography; etching; vacuum deposition



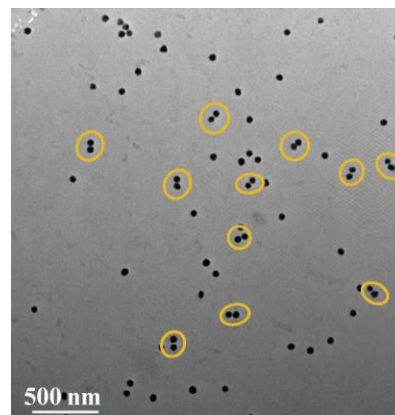
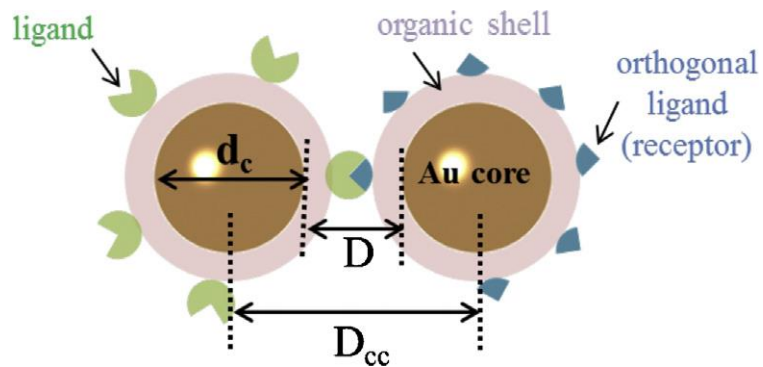
Plasmonic
substrates



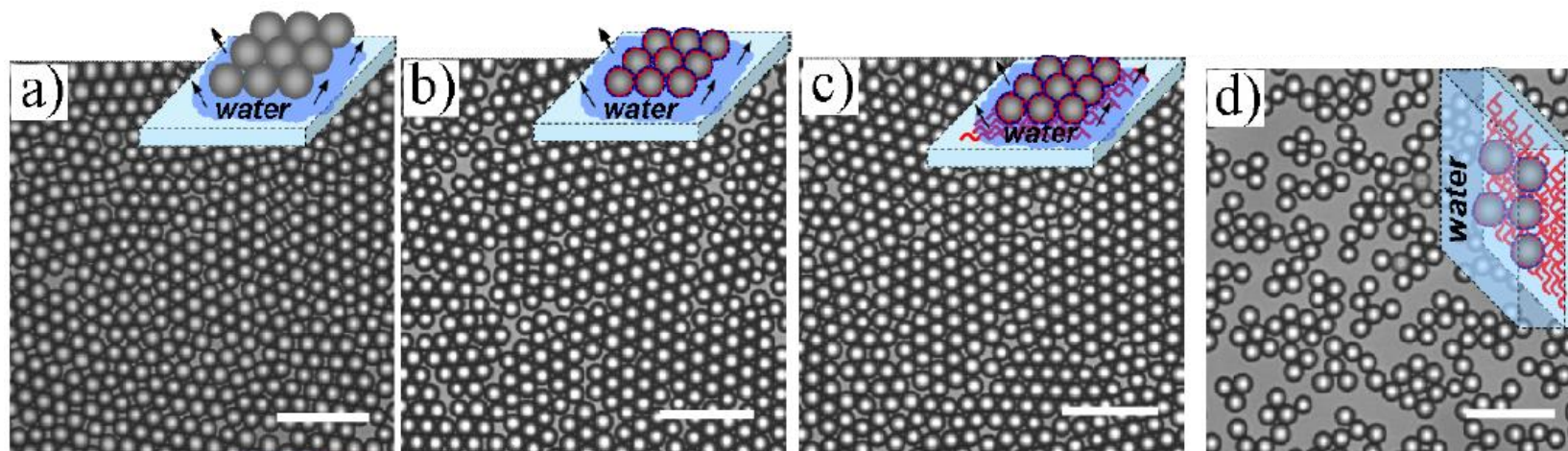
Bottom-up

drop casting; spin coating; chemical growth; nanolithography;
self-assembly; Langmuir-Blodgett; **Layer-by-Layer**

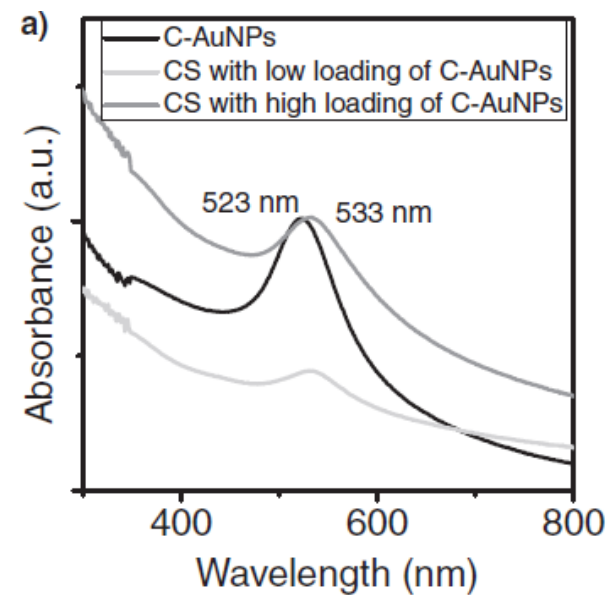
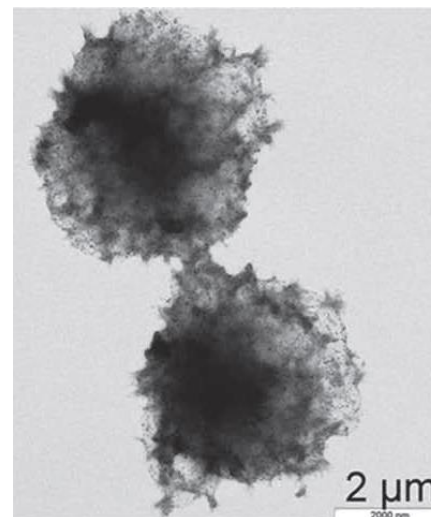
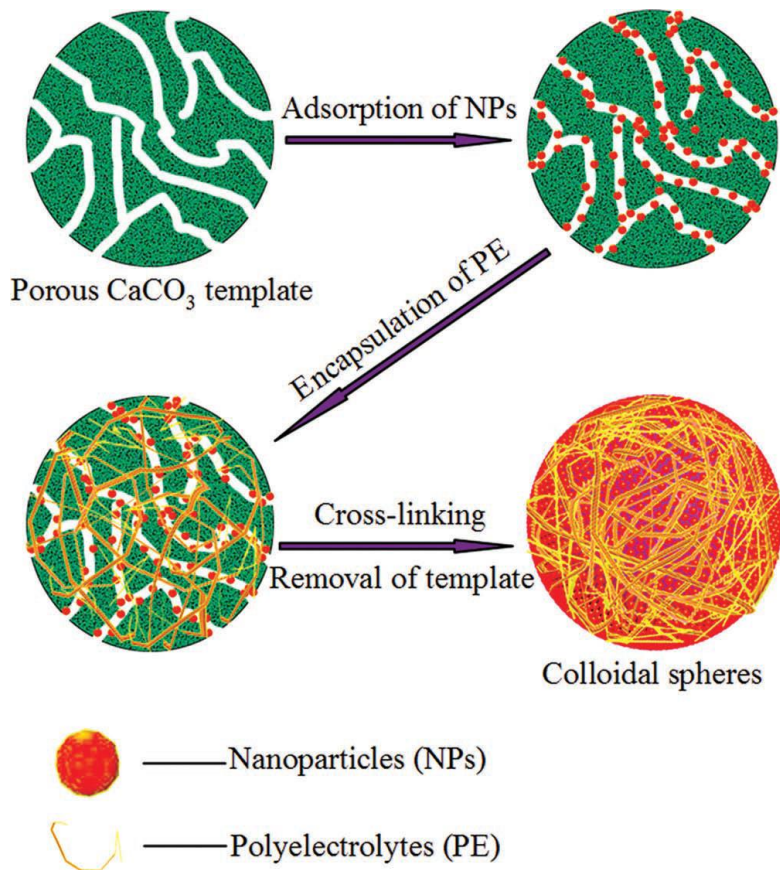
Self-assembly technique



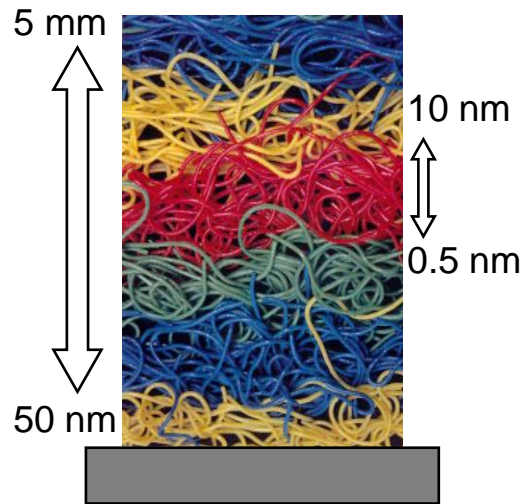
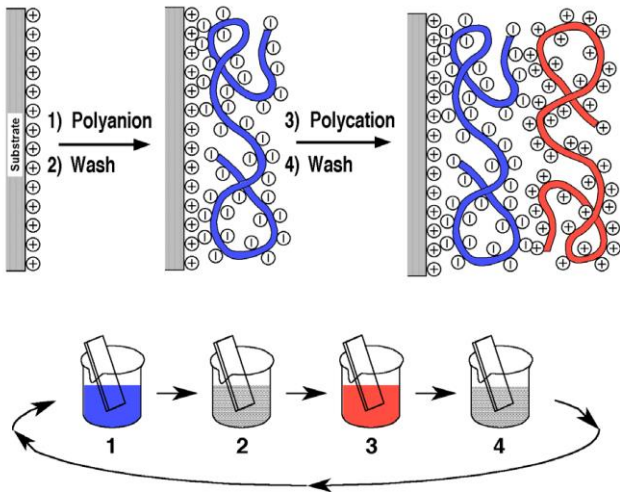
Nano Today (2013) 8, 480.



Template-assisted technique



Layer-by-Layer assembly (LbL)



- Can be made on ANY surface
- Control of composition
- Different functionalities
- Materials: polymers, proteins, nanoparticles, ...
- Components can be fixed or mobile
- Porosity control, ...

G. Decher, J.D. Hong, *Macromol. Chem. Sym.*, 1991, 46, 321

A "real world" Application

Metal Rubber™ (NanoSonic Inc.)

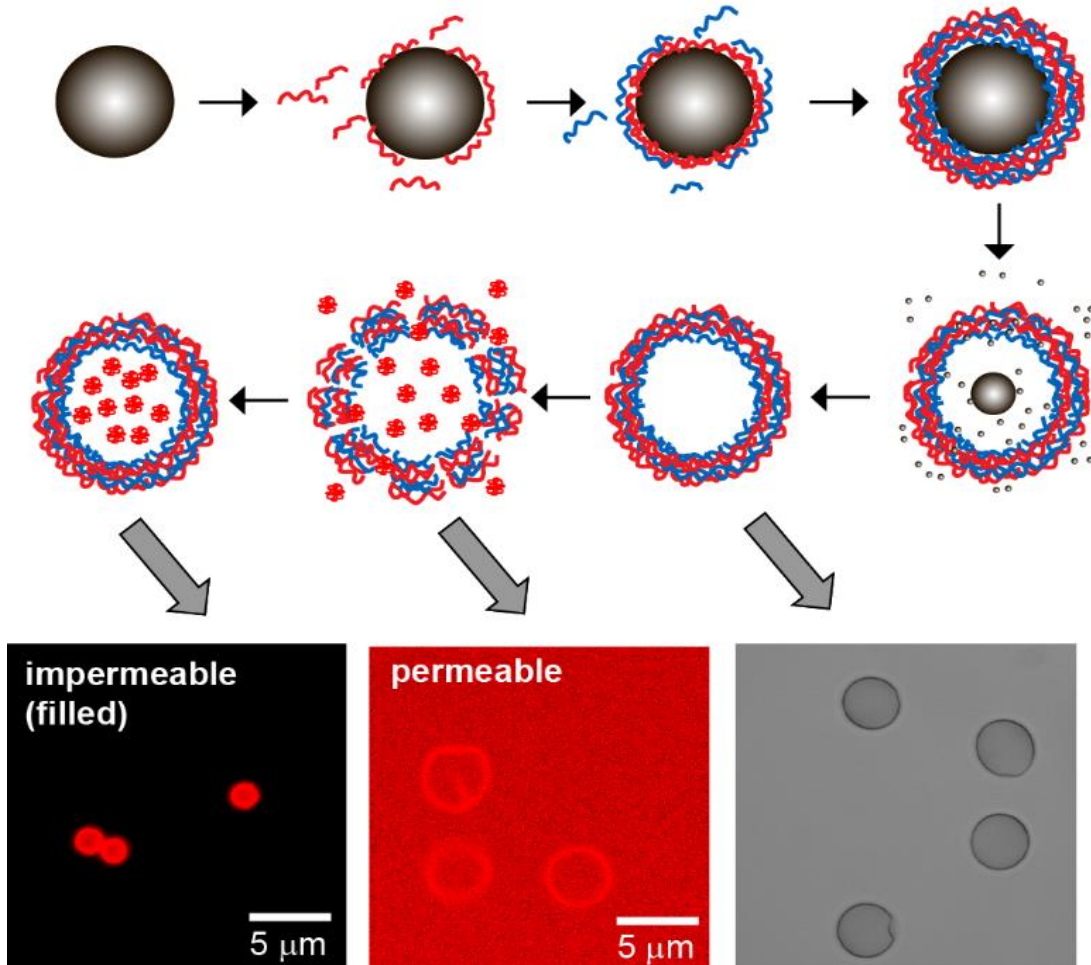


Contact Lenses



US Patent US 520 8111

LbL hollow multilayer capsules



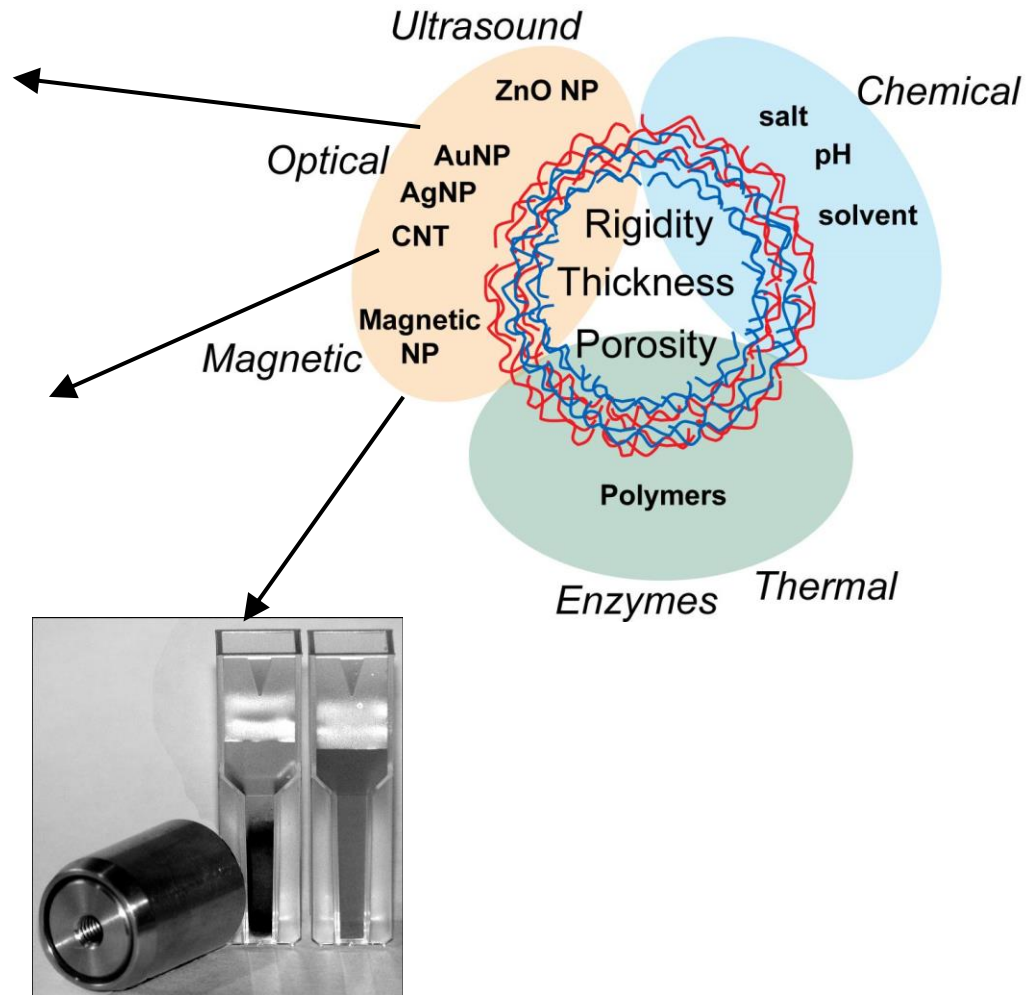
- Shell permeability control
- Loading of molecules > 1kDa
- Colloids from 50 nm to few microns
- Even cells and RBCs can be used

Multilayer shell properties

830 nm

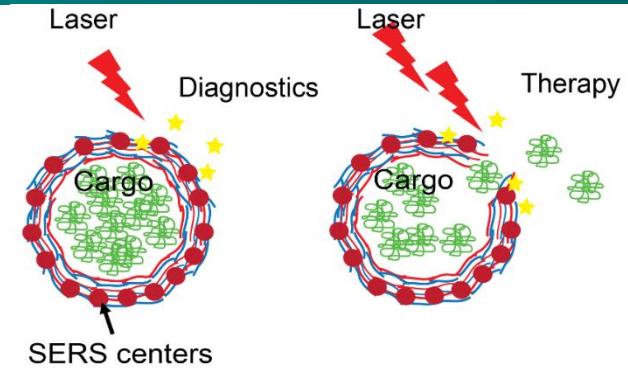


473 nm



Our Focuses

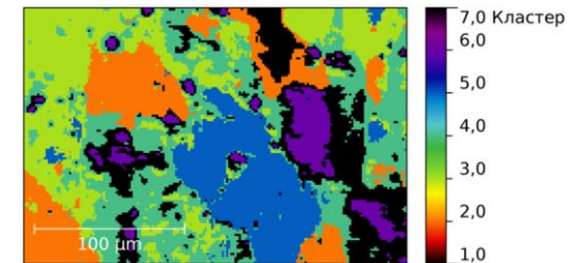
SERS sensors base on microparticles and microcapsules



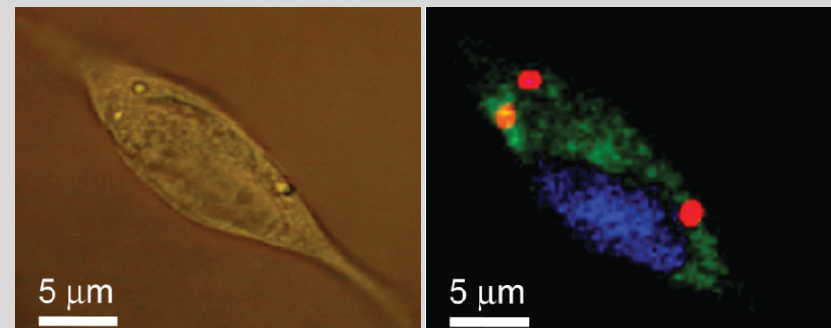
SERS flexible substrates for express diagnostics



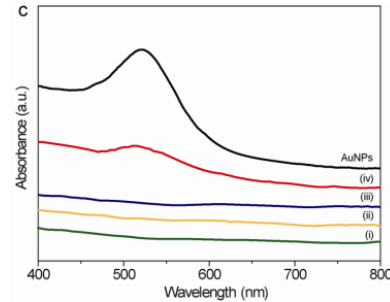
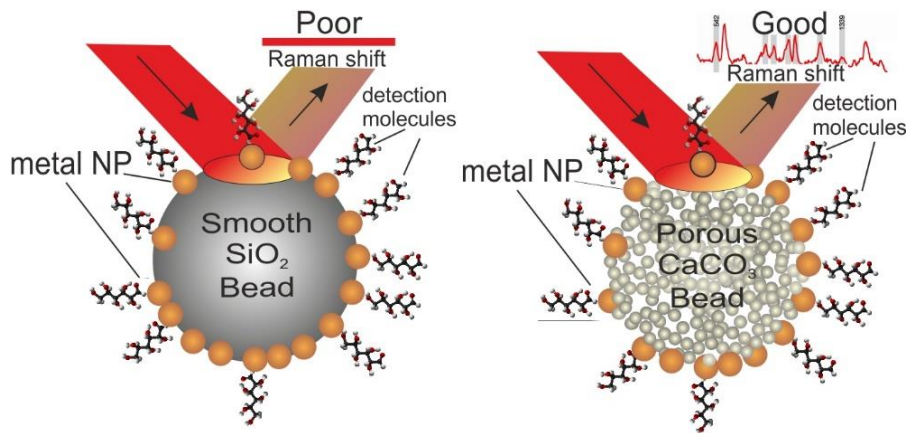
Computer analysis of SERS spectra



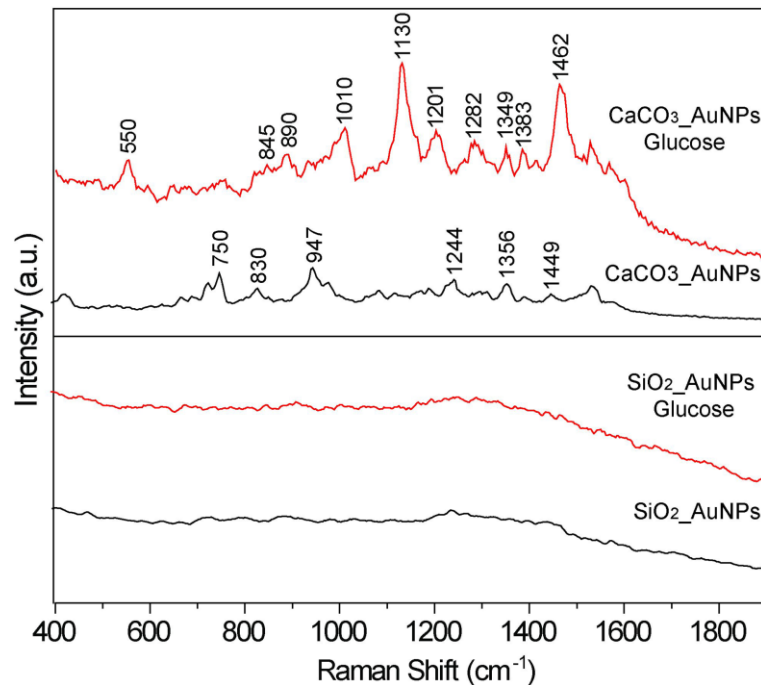
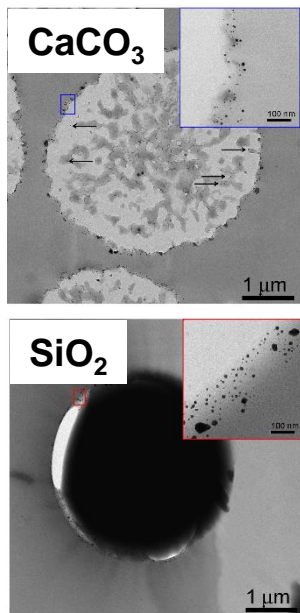
Imaging of cells and tissues



SERS of the D-Glucose in water

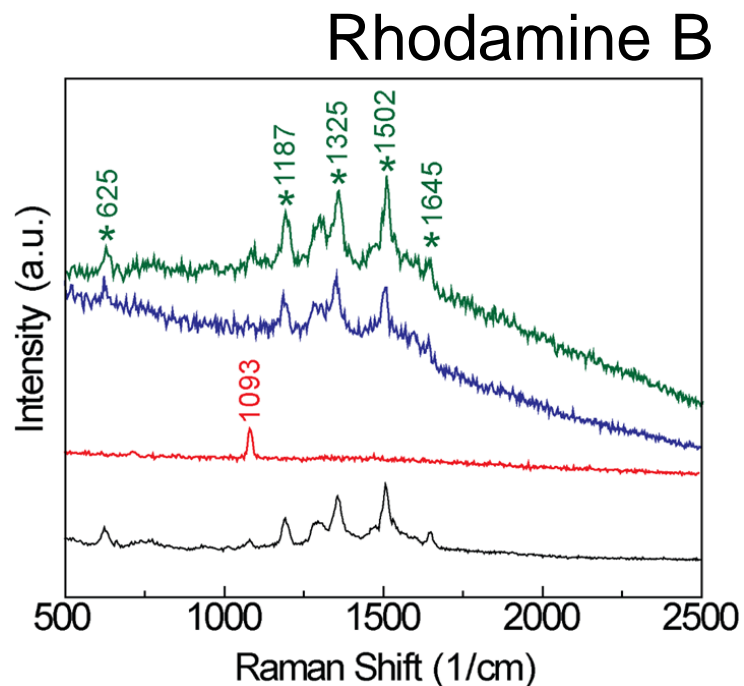
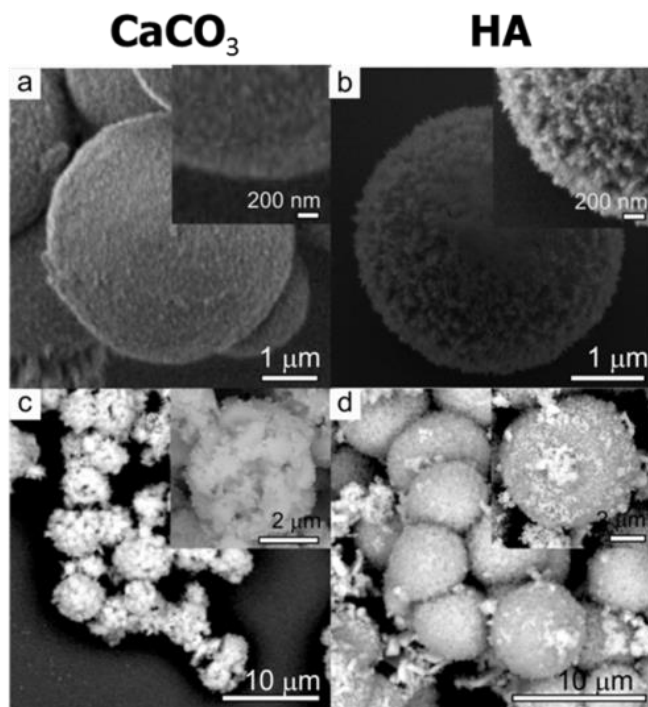
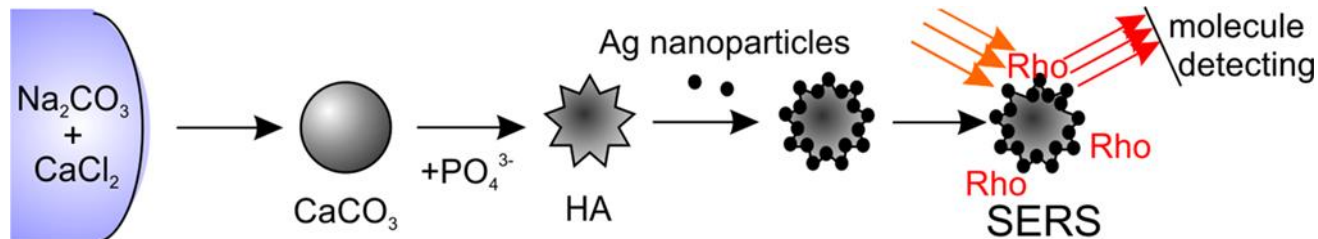


Glucose concentration in blood:
healthy ~ 70-150 mg/mL;
diabetics > 150 mg/mL.

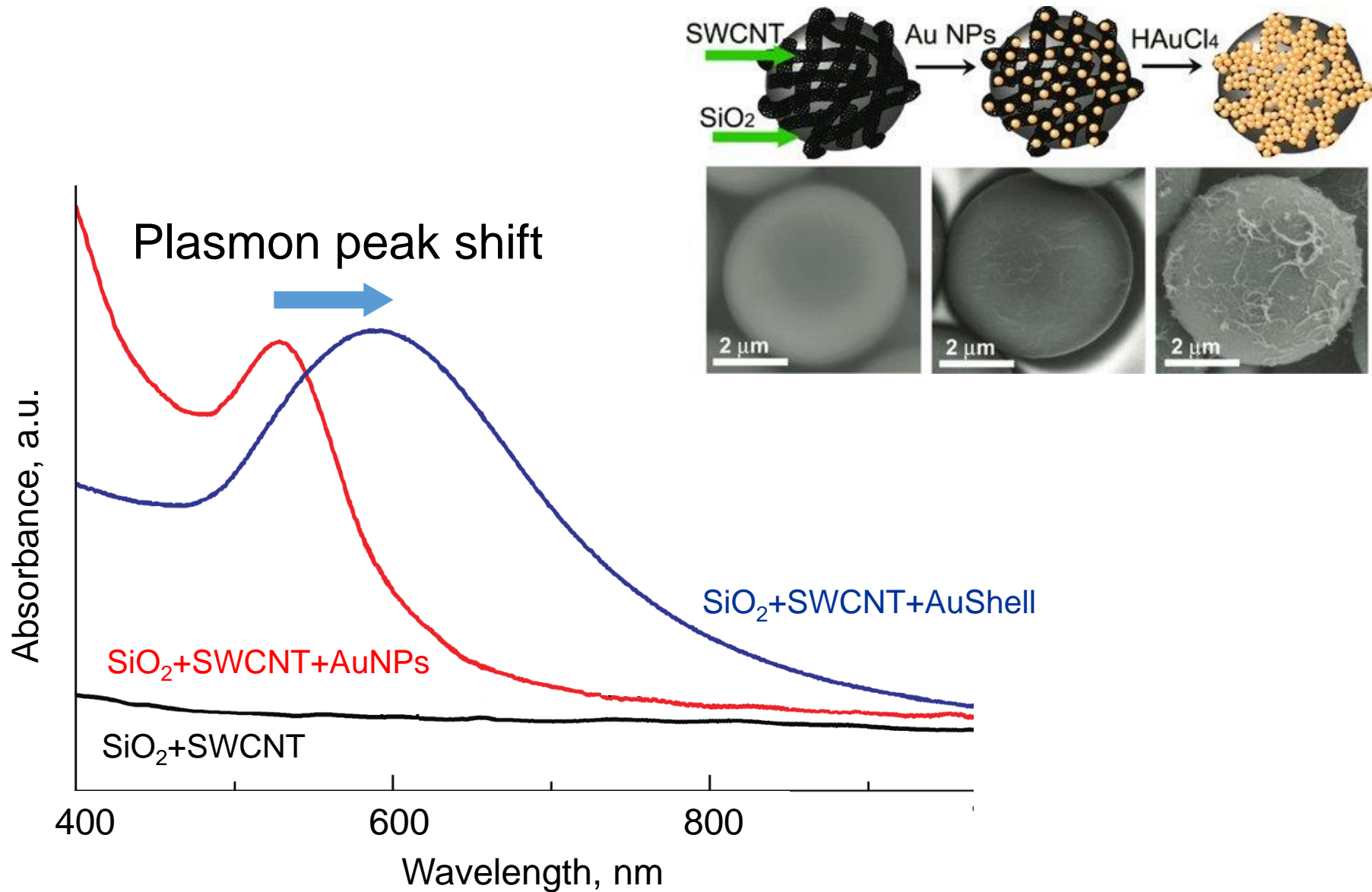


← Glucose water solution
 0.01 mg/mL

SERS probes based on inorganic microparticles

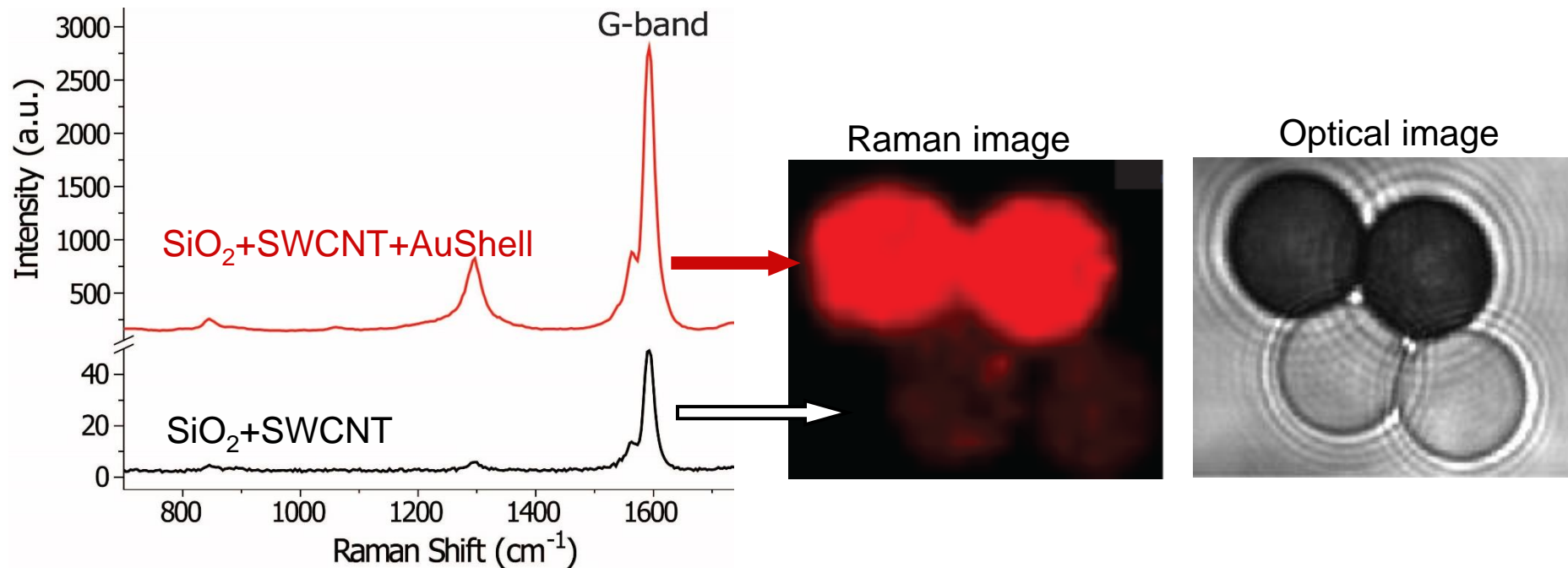


SERS probe made of SWCNT/AuNPs



SWCNT G-band Enhancement

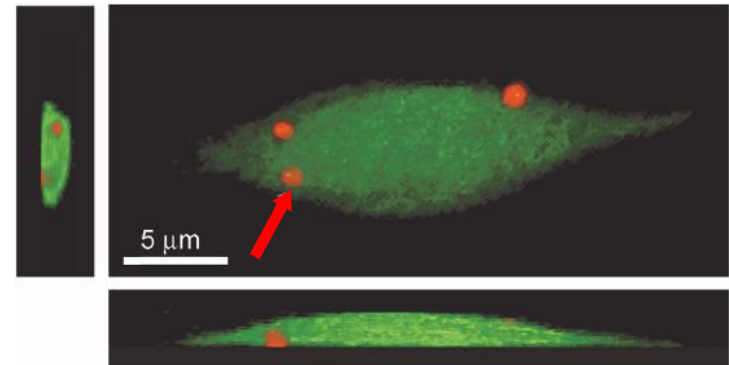
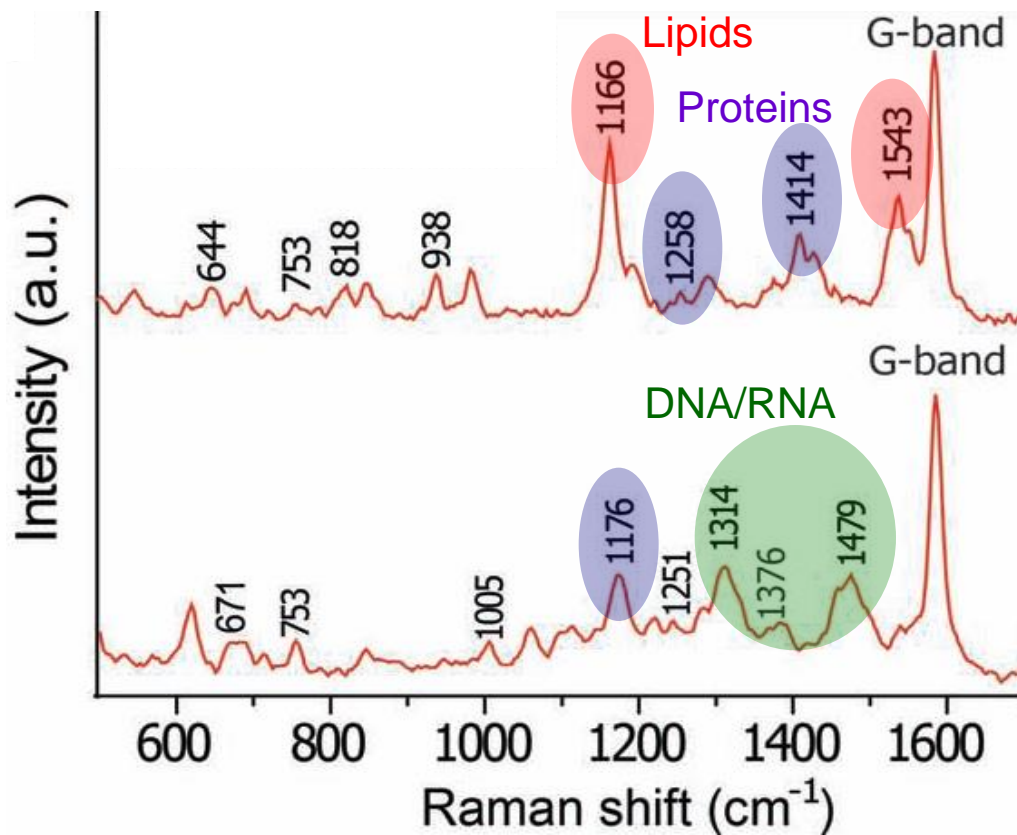
60-fold increase of G-band



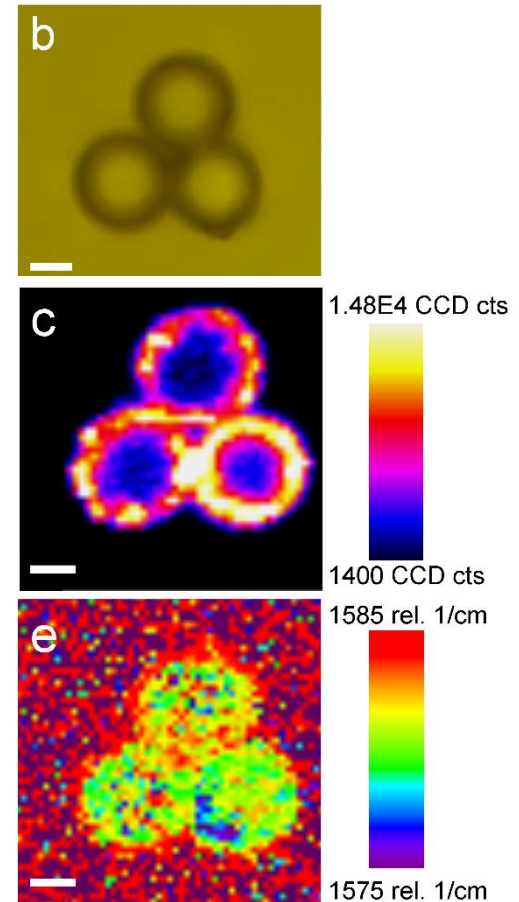
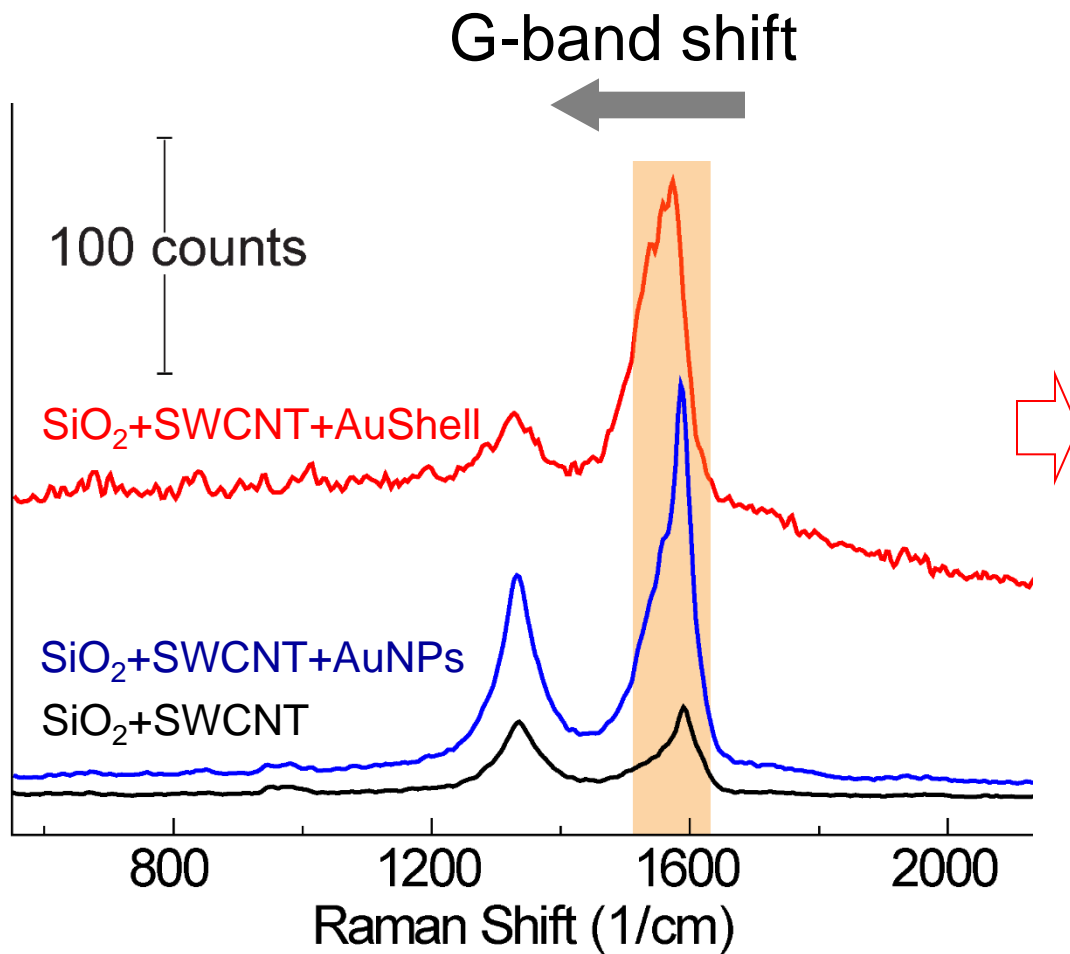
Laser power 0.1 mW, 785 nm

Intracellular SERS sensing

Signal to noise ratio: non-resonant ~ 5; SERS ~100



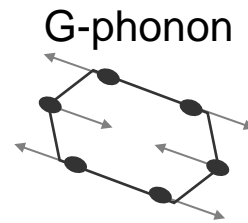
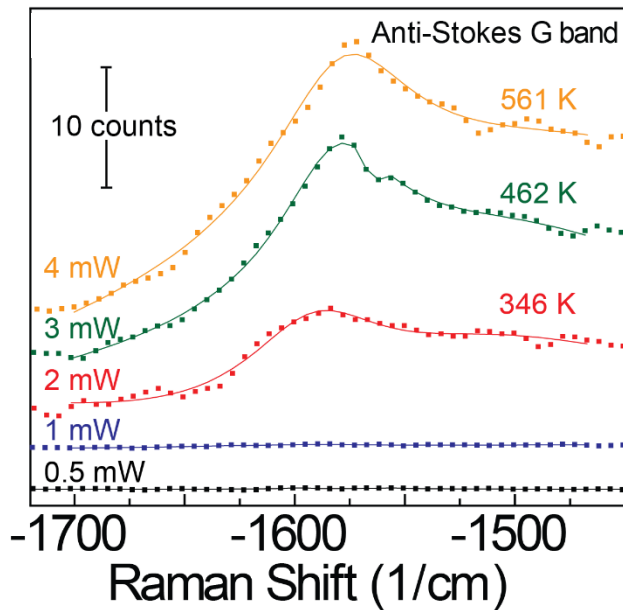
Laser-induced shift of the G-band



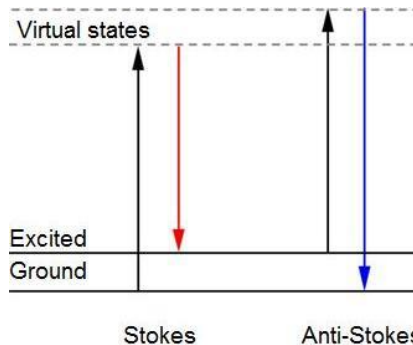
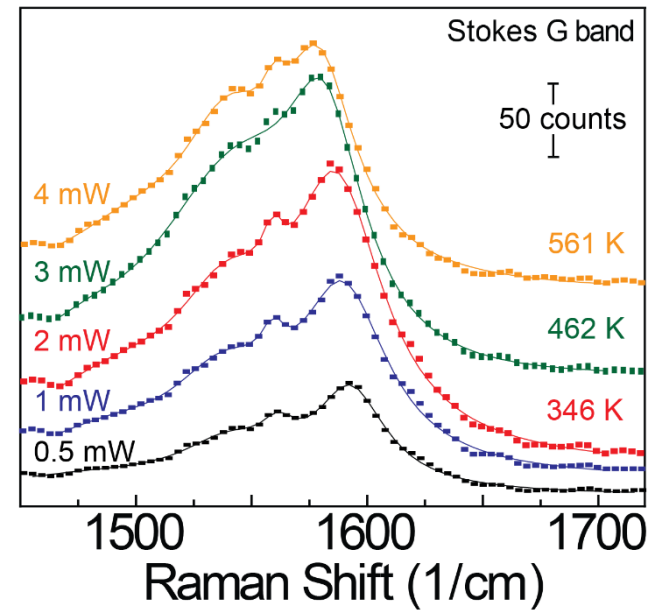
532 nm, power density $\sim 12.7 \cdot 10^4$ W/cm²

The effective temperature assessment

SiO₂+SWCNT+AuShell



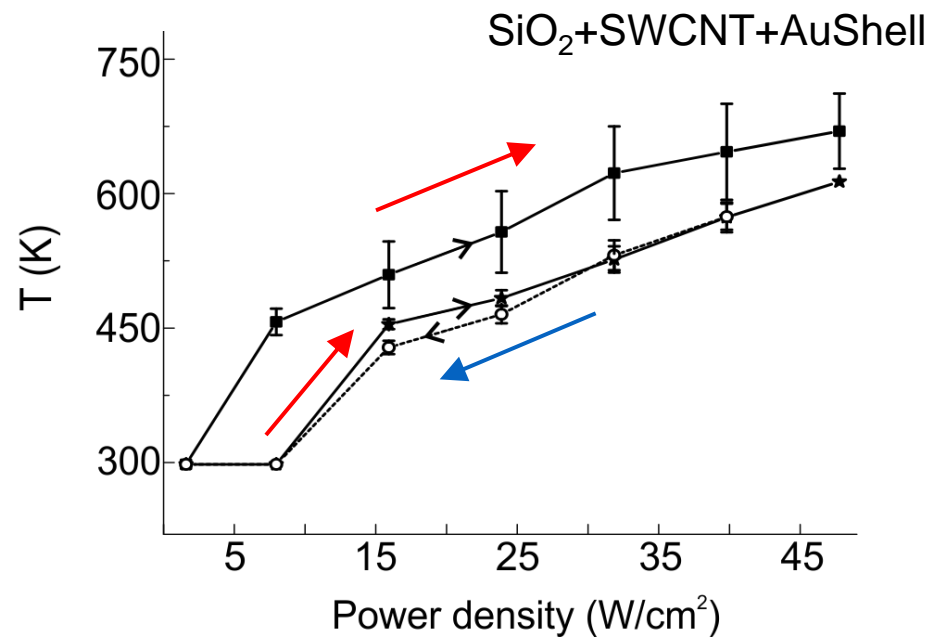
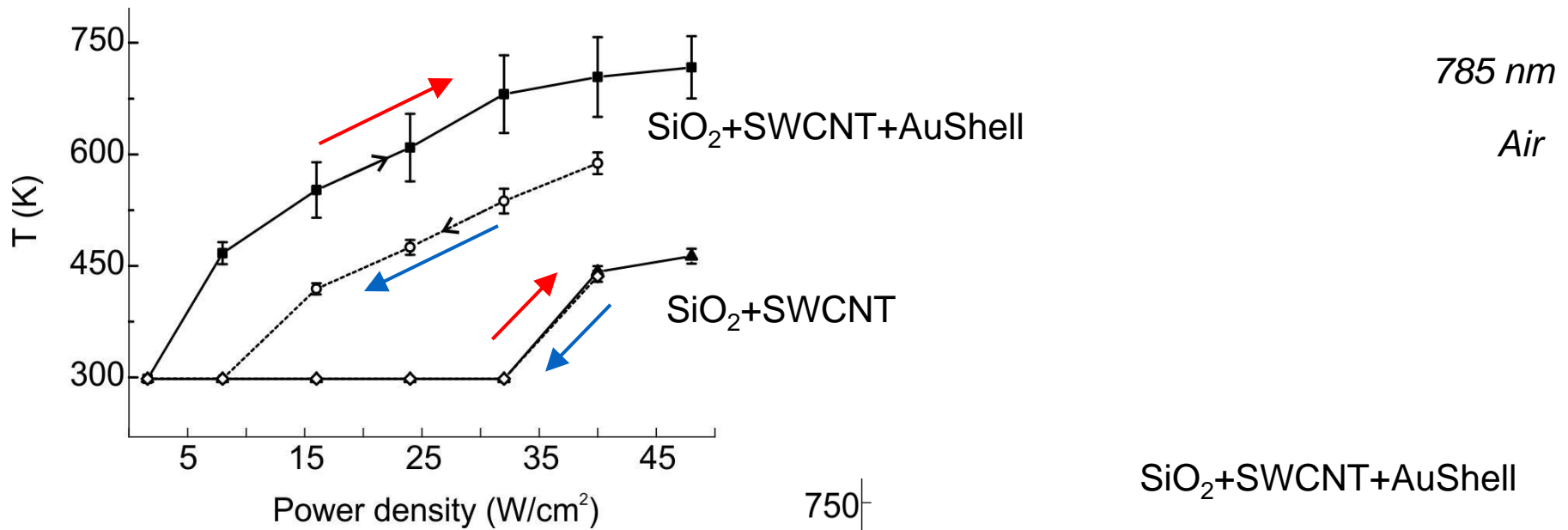
$$\frac{I_{AS}}{I_S} = \left(\frac{\nu_0 + \nu_G}{\nu_0 - \nu_G} \right)^4 \exp\left(-\frac{\hbar \nu_G}{k_B T_G} \right)$$



532 nm

Air

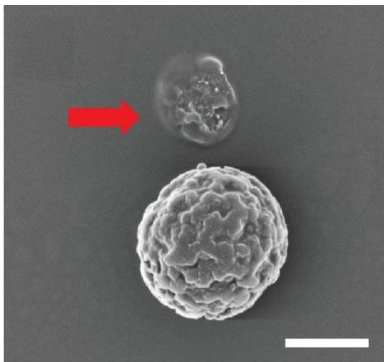
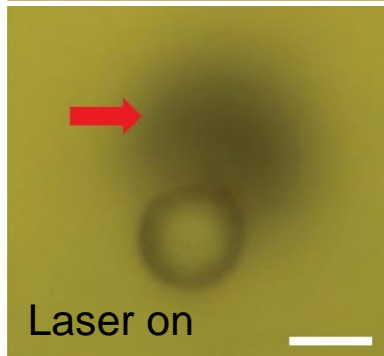
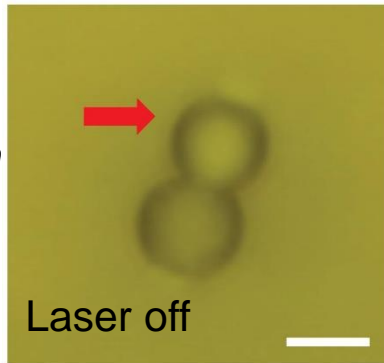
Heating and Cooling measurements



Probe calibration

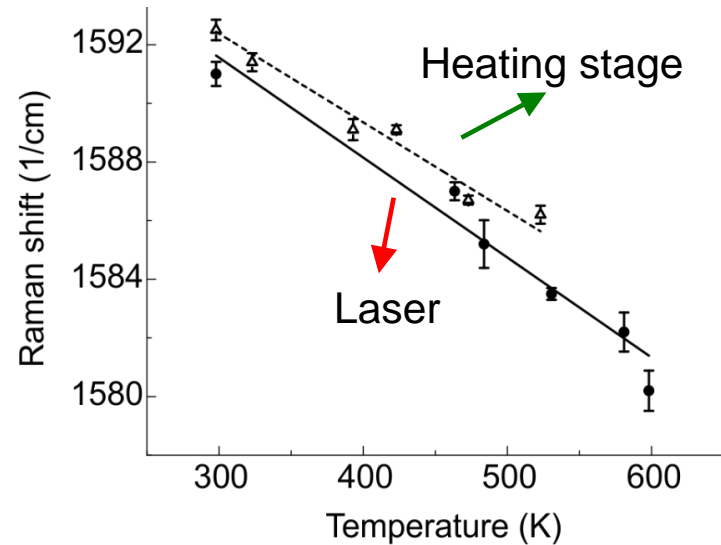
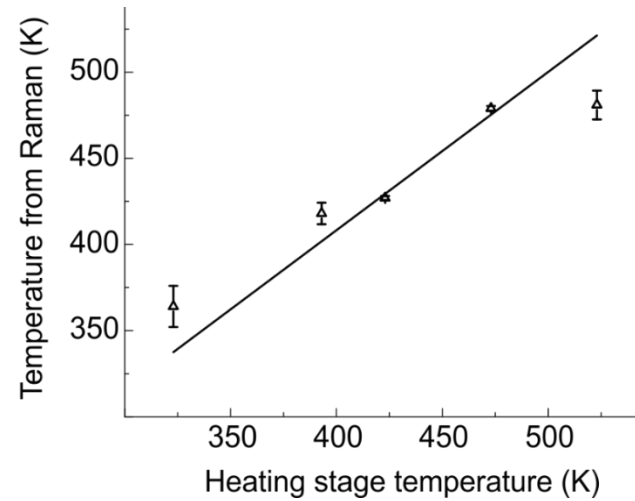
PS+SWCNT+AuShell

Air
4 mW, 532 nm

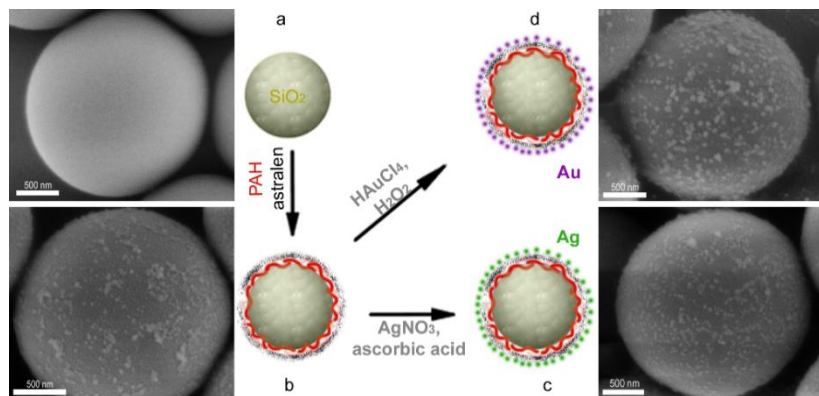


SiO₂+SWCNT+AuShell

Air
785 nm



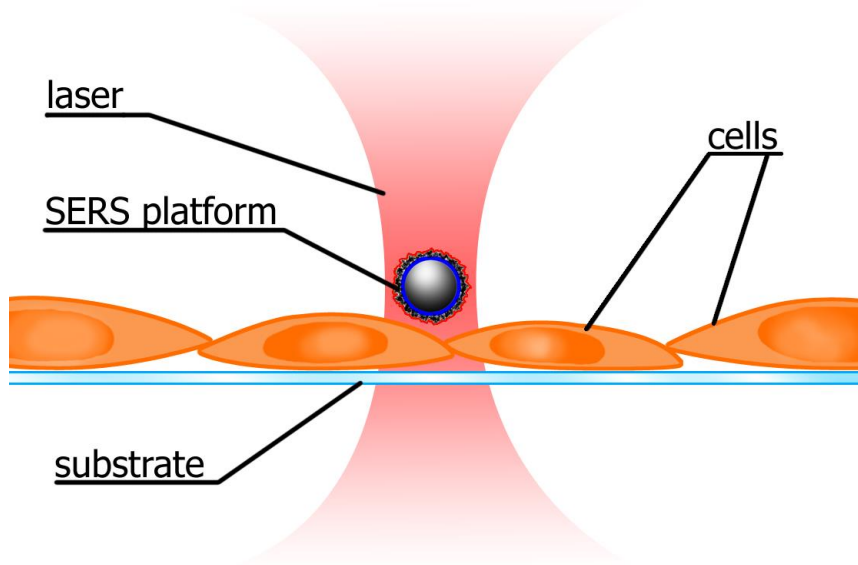
SERS-based satellites



SiO₂/(PAH/Astralen)₃/Au

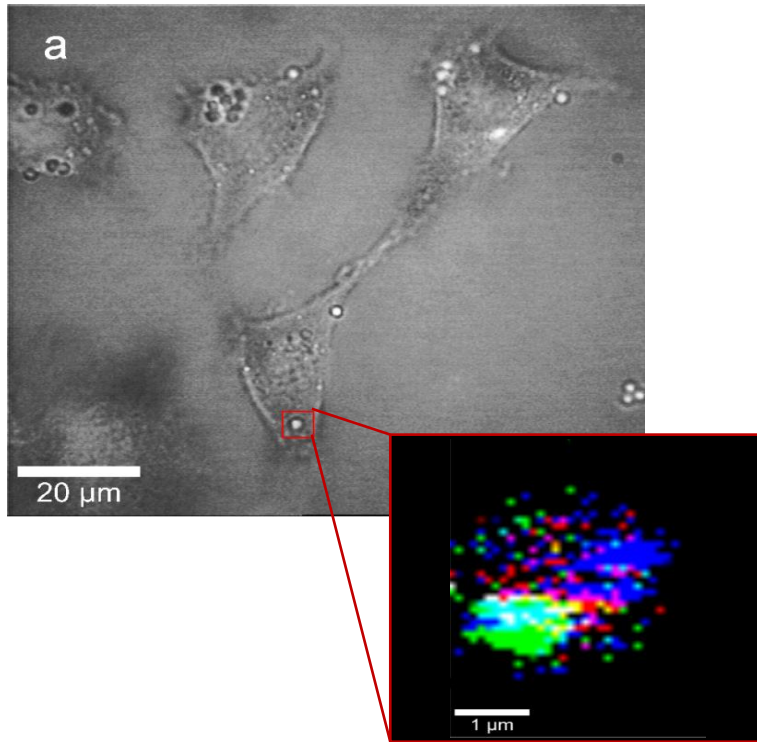
SiO₂/(PAH/Astralen)₃/Ag

L929 mouse fibroblast cell



Laser tweezers at 976 nm

SERS-based satellites



Raman imaging in the cell:

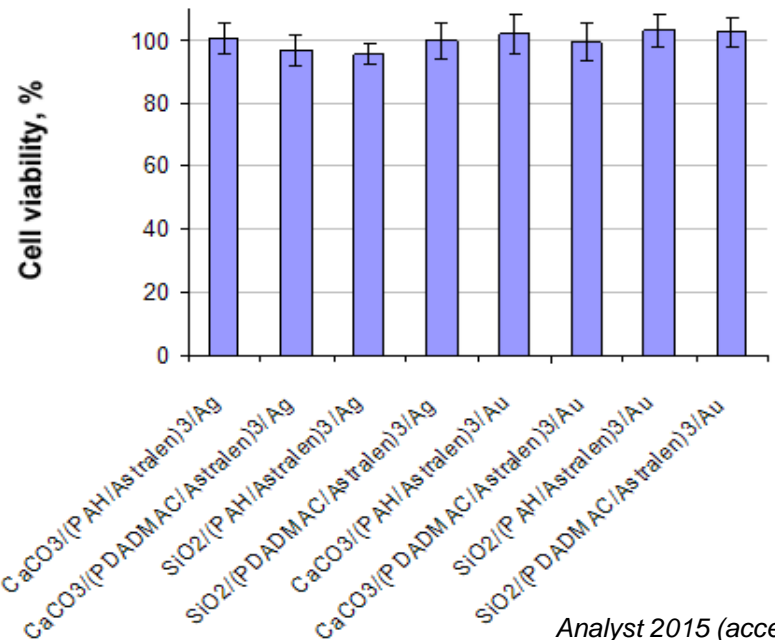
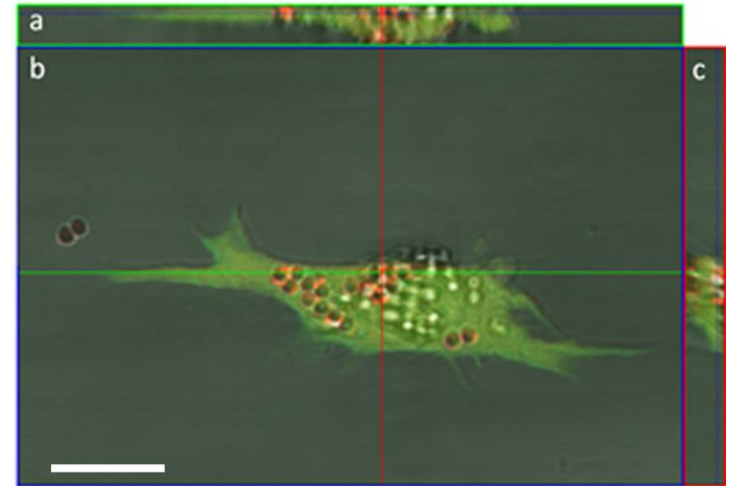
red – Astralen G-mode

blue – DNA bases

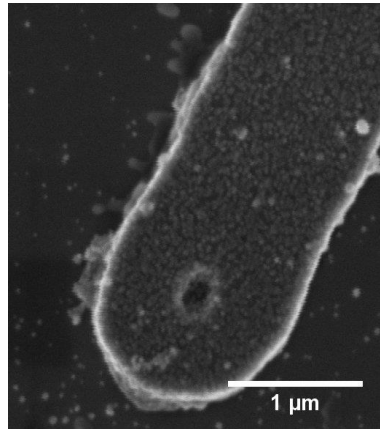
green – Lipids

785 nm, laser power of 0.2 μW

L929 mouse fibroblast cell

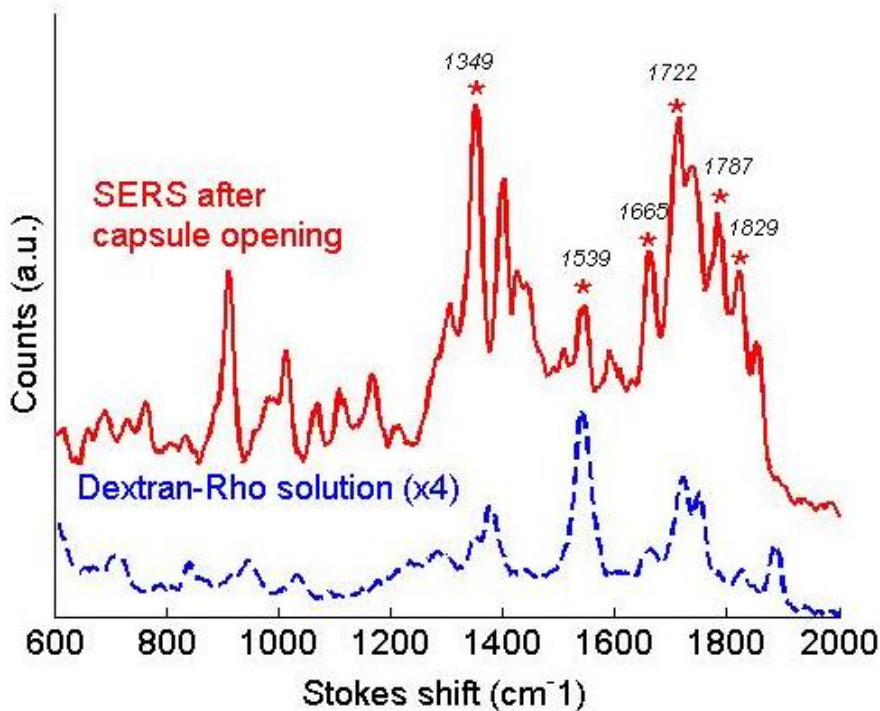
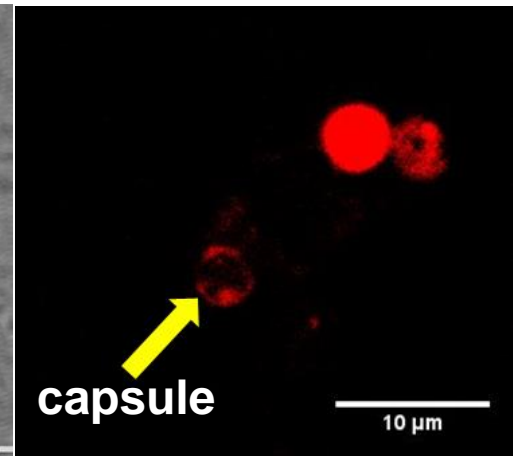
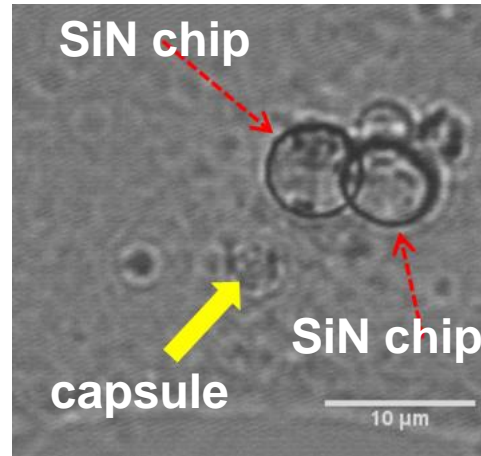
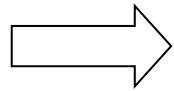


Intracellular SERS of Plasmonic Waveguides

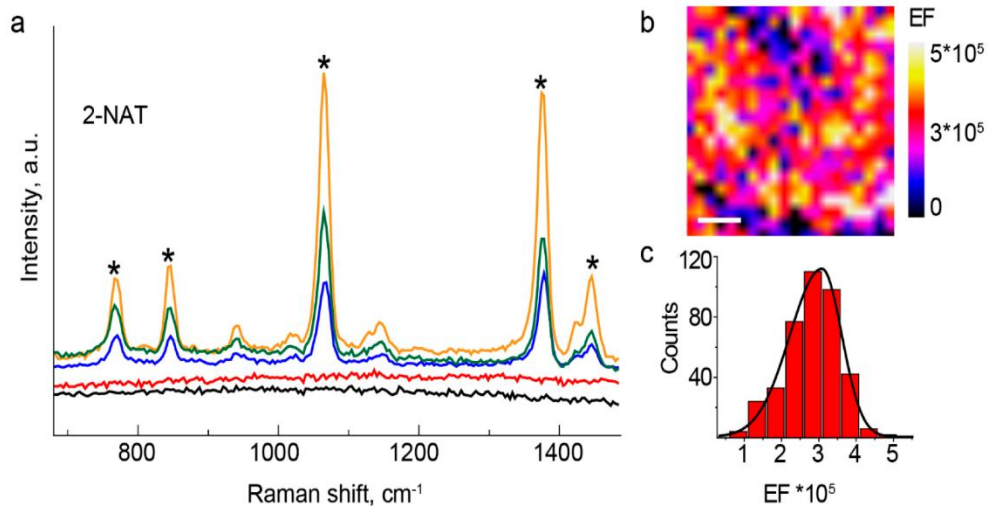
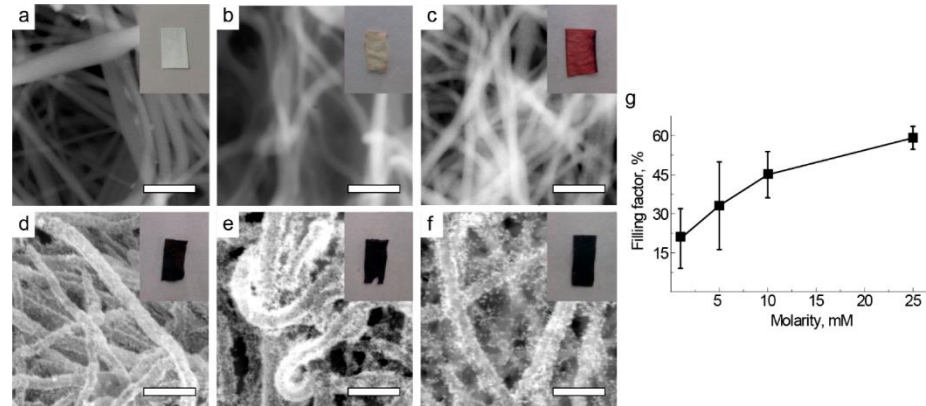
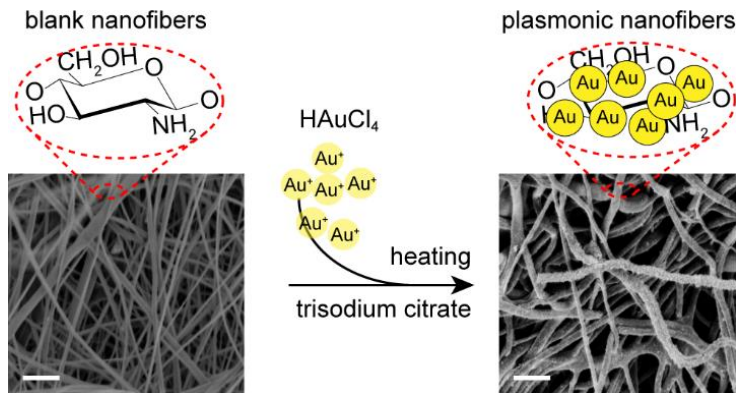


Gold-covered SiN particle $d \sim 200$ nm.

Human fibroblast cell



Nanoplasmonic Chitosan Nanofibers

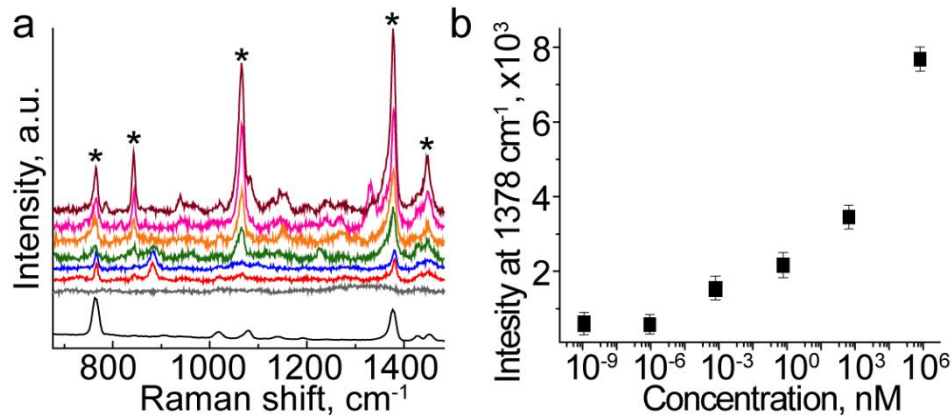


Immediate functionalization

Controlled distribution of AuNPs

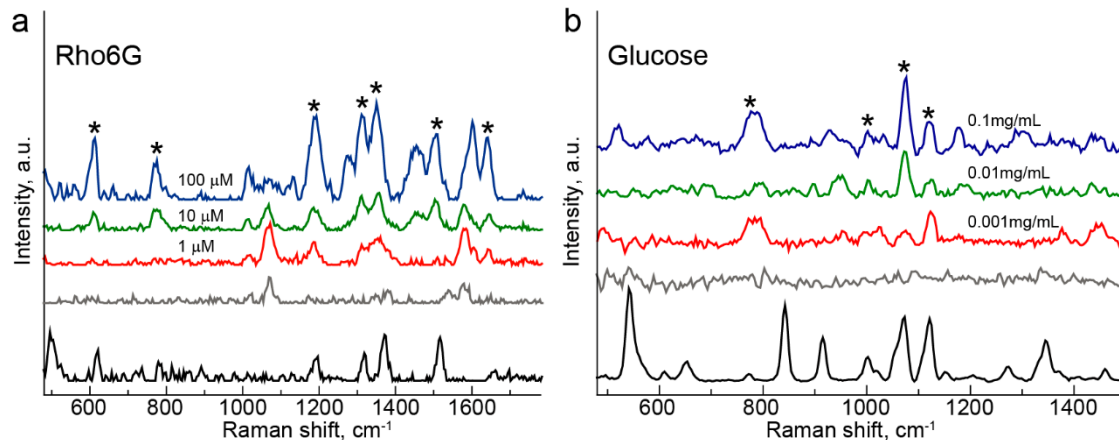
EF of $2 \cdot 10^5$ for 86 % points

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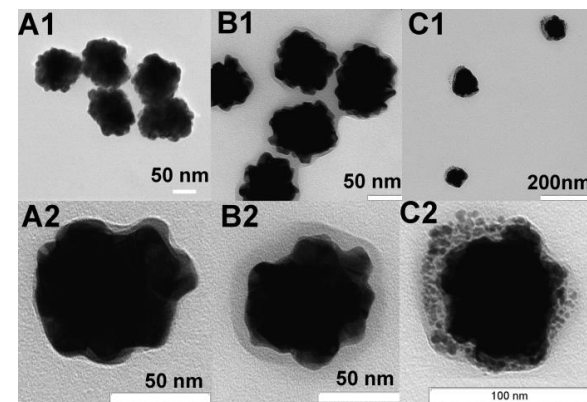
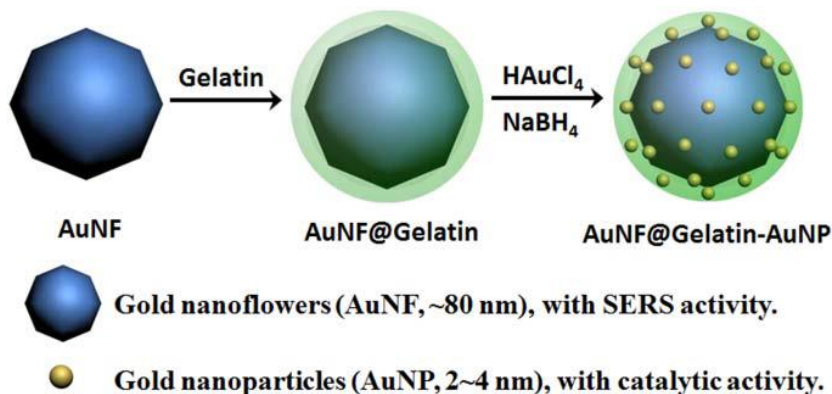
SERS detection of 2-naphthalenethiol with concentration less than 10^{-15} M

SERS detection of Rhodamine 6G and D-Glucose in micromolar range

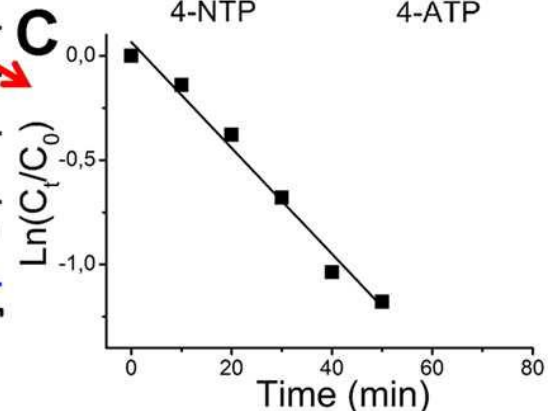
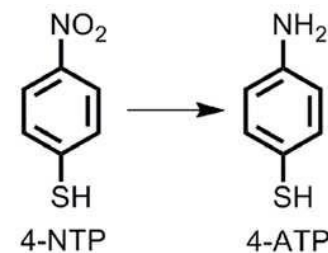
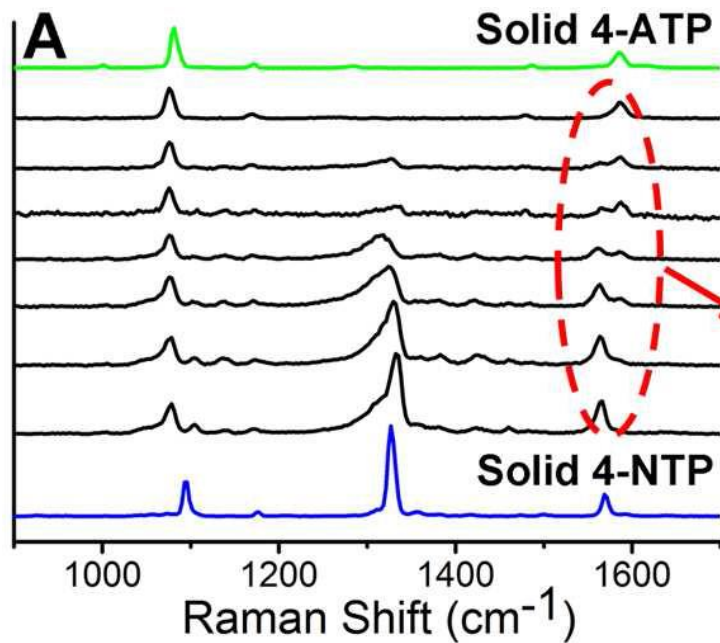


785 nm, 1% of laser power

Bifunctional Gold/Gelatin Hybrid Nanocomposites



NaBH_4



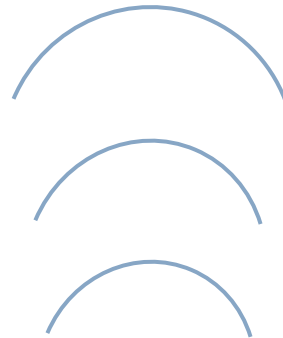
Photoacoustic Imaging

Optical Path

Pulsed Laser
Illumination



Optical Absorption



Thermal Elastic
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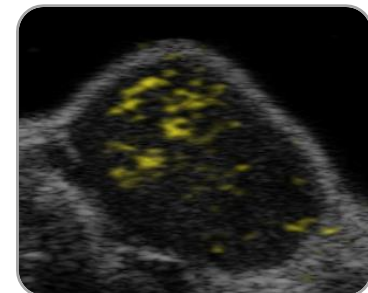
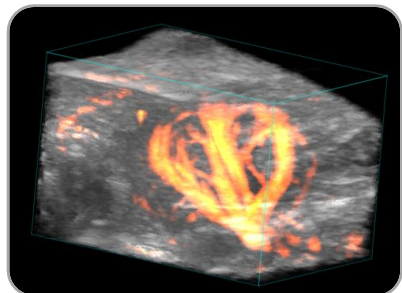


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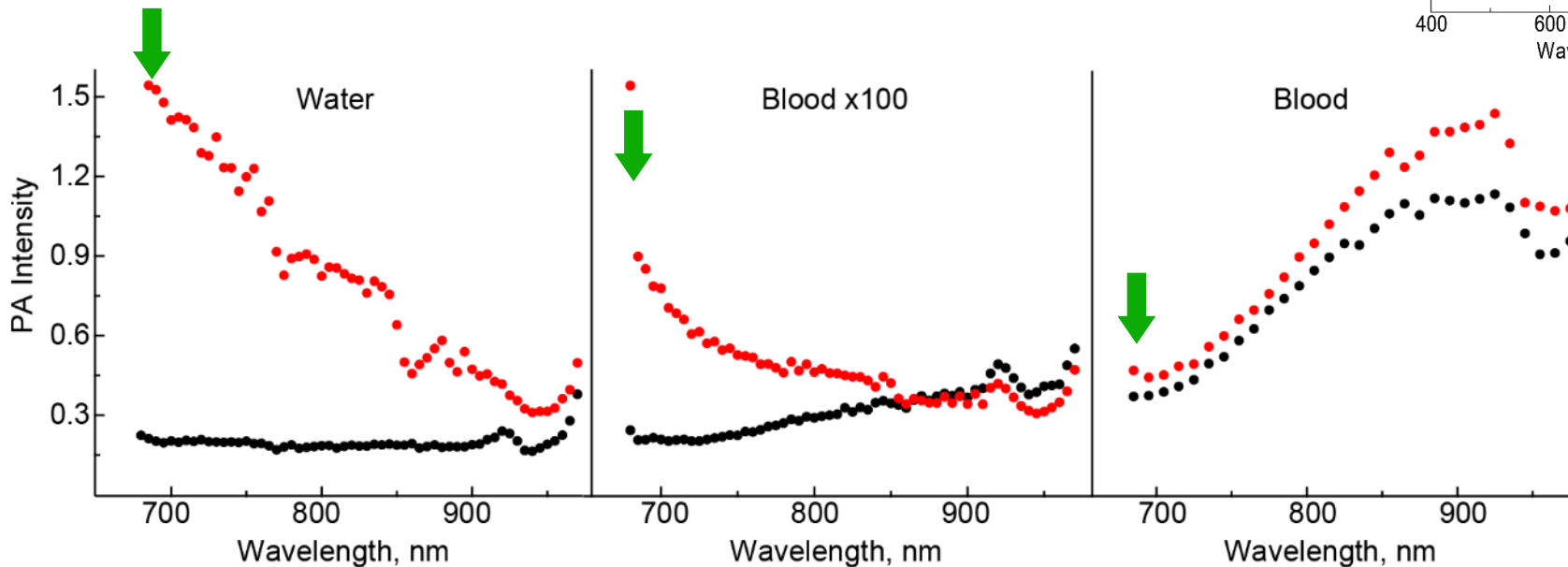
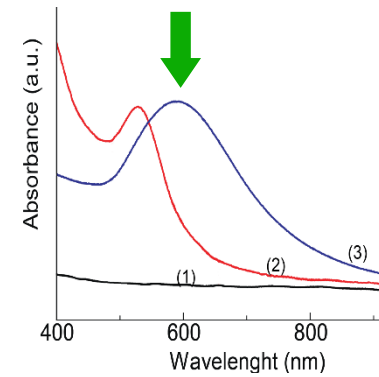
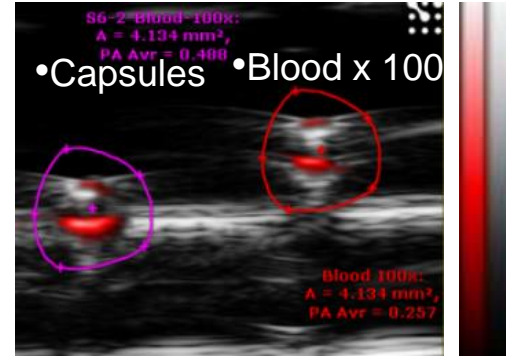
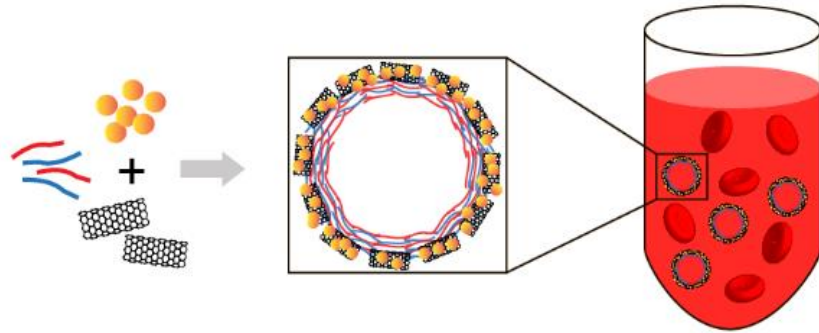
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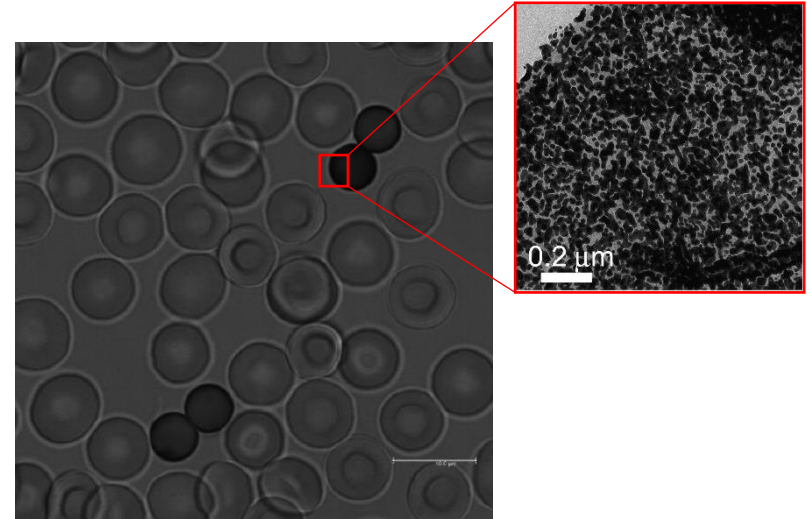
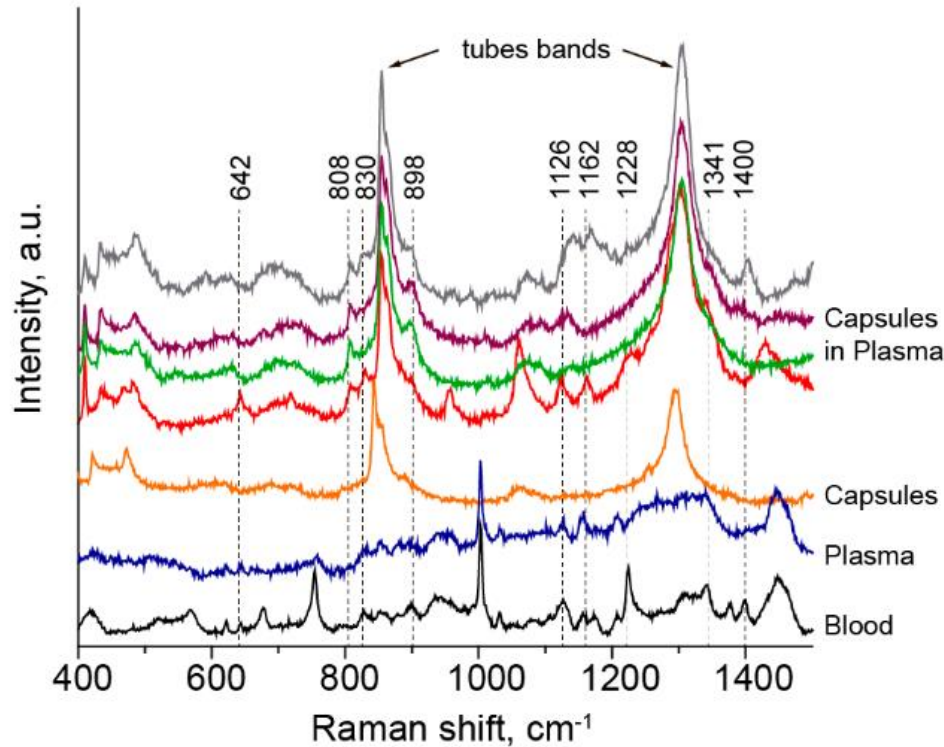
Pressure Waves



Visualization of microcapsules by photoacoustic



SERS of blood content



- 642 – C-C twisting (Tyrosine)
- 808 - C-C-O stretching (L-Serine)
- 830 – C-C stretching (Collagen)
- 898 – C-O-H bending (D-galactosamine)
- 1126 – D-mannos
- 1162 – Tyrosine
- 1228 – C-H methine in-plane bending
- 1341 – Adenin
- 1400 – C-H bending (Collagen)

Conclusions

- LbL and template-assisted techniques are powerful tools for tuning optical properties of plasmonic microstructures
- SWCNT/AuNPs provides SERS enhancement at extremely low laser intensity
- The temperature is evaluated through the intensity ratio of the Anti-Stokes/Stokes
- Detection of biomolecules inside living cells with fast acquisition rates and at low laser power
- Monitoring the release of Dex-Rho from capsules inside living cells
- SERS detection of small molecules in micromolar range
- Photoacoustic imaging of capsules in blood

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