

Scattering of Nanometer Particles

Rayleigh scattering cross-section

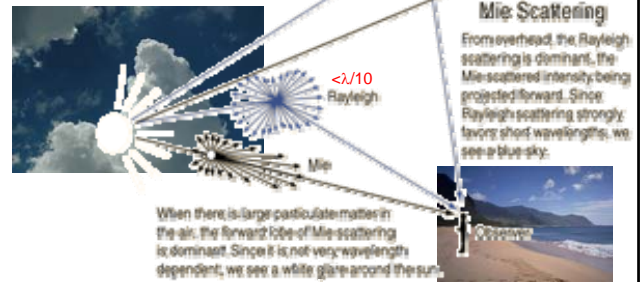
Why sky is blue ?

$$\sigma_s = \frac{2\pi^5 d^6}{3\lambda^4} \left(\frac{n^2 - 1}{n^2 + 2} \right)^2$$

d: diameter

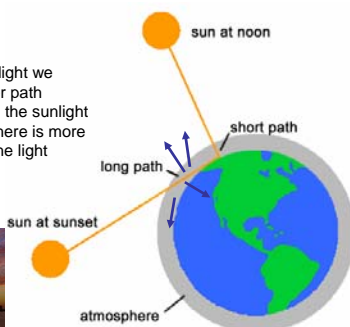
n: refractive index

400nm light is 9.4 times larger than 700nm



Why sky is red ?

At sunset or sunrise, the sunlight we observe has traveled a longer path through the atmosphere than the sunlight we see at noon. Therefore, there is more scattering, and nearly all of the light direct from the sun is red.



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$$n^2 = \epsilon_r$$

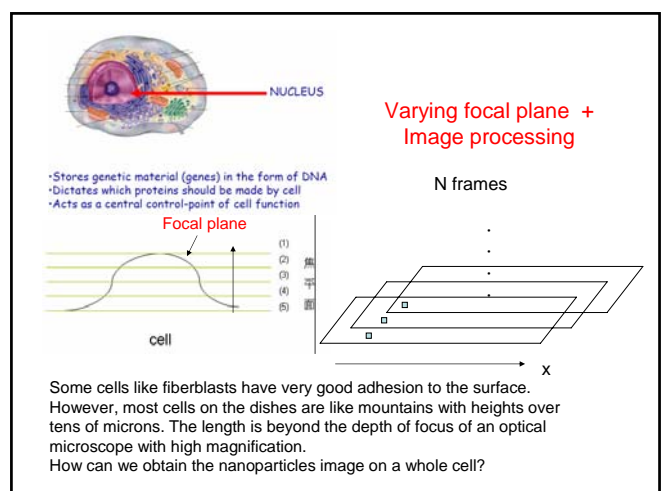
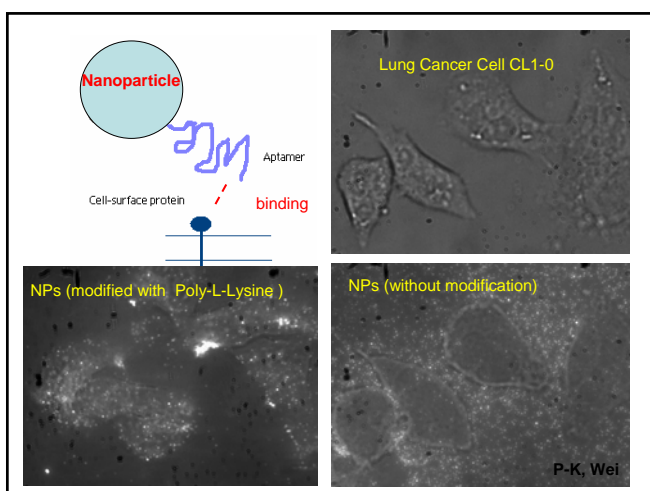
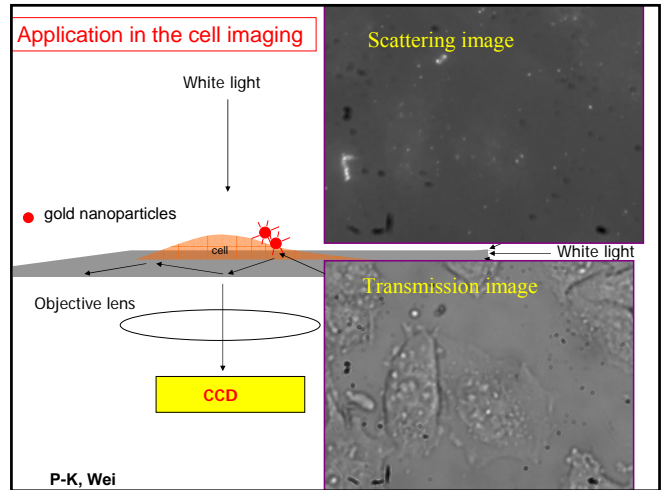
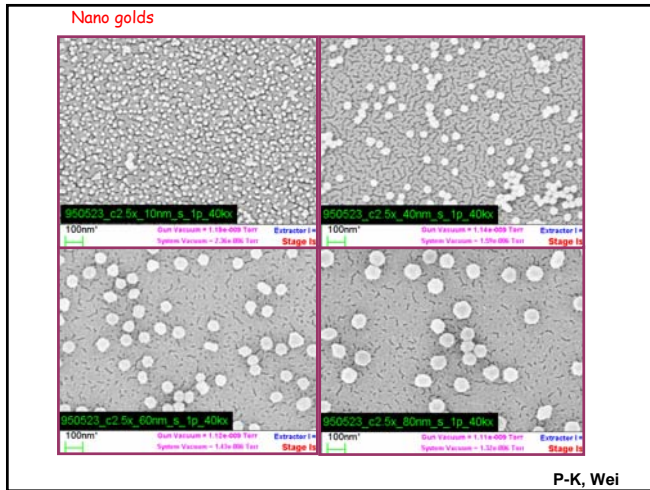
ϵ is negative for metals, when it approximates to -2, the scattering is greatly **enhanced** !

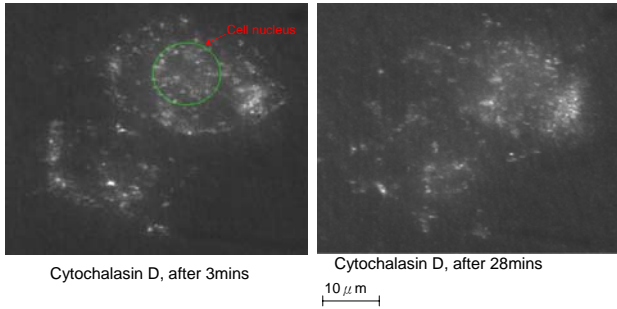


"Labors of the Months" (Norwich, England, ca. 1480).
(The ruby color is probably due to embedded gold nanoparticles.)



Gold nanoparticles, 20nm, 40nm, 60nm, 80nm in diameter
P-K, Wei

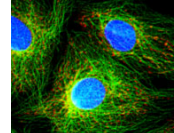
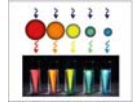




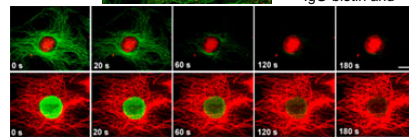
Quantum dots (QDs)

Advantages:

1. change emitting colors by sizes
2. no photobleaching
3. excite multicolors using a single laser source



Double-labeling of mitochondria and microtubules in NIH 3T3 cells.
The mitochondria were labeled with human anti-mitochondria antibodies, goat anti-human IgG-biotin and



Photostability comparison between Qdot 605 and Alexa 488 conjugates. <http://www.qdots.com/live/index.asp>

Disadvantages of ODs labeling.

1. Toxic to the cells
2. Surface modification is not easy
3. Expensive

Advantages of nanogold labeling

1. No photobleaching
2. No toxicity
3. Good biocompatibility, easy for surface modification
4. Can be used for phototherapy

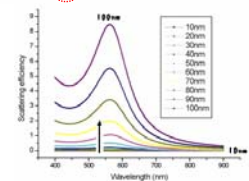
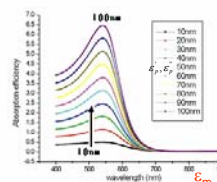
Disadvantages of nanogold labeling:

Scattering light has the same wavelength with the incident wave, dark-field illumination is necessary

scattering

$$C_{sca}(\omega) = 4\pi r^2 \times \frac{32}{3} \pi^4 \left(\frac{r}{\lambda} \right)^4 \epsilon_m^2 \left[\frac{\epsilon'_p(\omega) - \epsilon_m}{\epsilon'_p(\omega) + 2\epsilon_m} \right]^2 + \epsilon_p''^2(\omega)$$

absorption



ϵ'_p and ϵ_p'' are real part and imaginary part of the metal. Maximum absorption and scattering occur at $\epsilon'_p = -2\epsilon_m$

ϵ_m is the dielectric of the surrounding medium (1 for air)

$$C_{abs}(\omega) = 4\pi r^2 \times 6\pi \left(\frac{r}{\lambda} \right)^3 \epsilon_m^{3/2} \frac{\epsilon_p''(\omega)}{[\epsilon'_p(\omega) + 2\epsilon_m]^2 + \epsilon_p''^2(\omega)}$$

Very large absorption for small metallic NPs. The optical absorption generates heat near the NPs.

Maximum efficiency

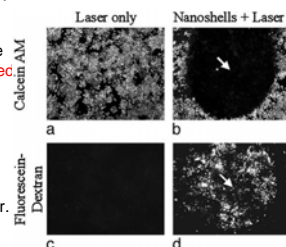
Nanoparticle size (nm)

- gold / scattering
- glass / scattering
- gold / absorption

不同粒徑散射與吸收的最大效率

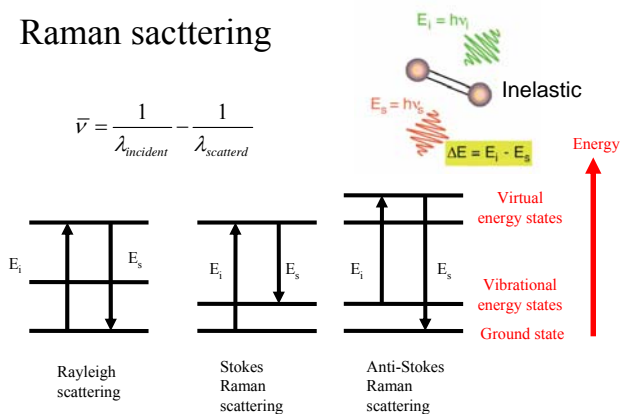
An innovative therapy that uses **gold nanoparticles** to destroy tumors could someday offer patients a new weapon against cancer. Researchers at Rice University in Houston injected **gold-coated silica spheres** into mouse tumors. Light shined onto the particles **triggered the release of heat that destroyed the cancer cells**.

Because this **phototherapy** would be less **invasive** than surgery, it could offer an alternative to **typical cancer treatments**. Each particle, which the researchers call a nanoshell, measures about **130nm** in diameter. The team designed the nanoshells to **absorb near-infrared light**, which can **penetrate tissue** without damaging it. After injecting the nanoshells into the mouse tumors, The resulting temperature rise of nearly **40 degrees** was enough to cause irreversible tissue damage.



Nanoshell-mediated near-infrared thermal therapy of tumors under magnetic resonance guidance

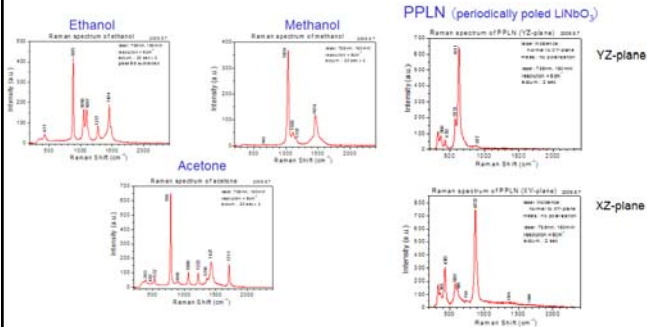
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$$\bar{v} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{incident}} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{scatterd}}$$


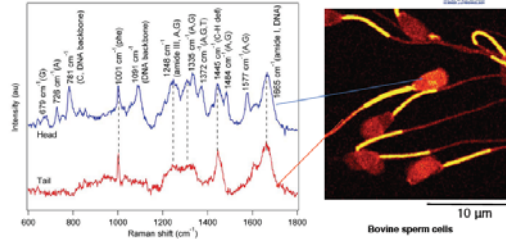
Ref: Thomas Huser "Introduction to Surface-enhanced Raman Spectroscopy", 2007.

- Fingerprint spectra (molecular identity)
- Information about 3d structural changes (orientation, conformation)
- Information about intermolecular interactions
- Combine microscopy

Different molecules are characterized by their own, unique Raman signature.



Ref: <http://www.enwaveopt.com/spectra.htm>, Enwave Optonics Inc.



- non-destructive, non-invasive
- works in-situ and in-vitro for biological samples
- works under a wide range of conditions: (temperature, pressure)

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So, if Raman spectroscopy is so powerful and has been around for 70 years
- why is it not used more often?

Raman scattering, however, is extremely inefficient

Only 1 in 10^7 incident photons are Raman scattered

SERS(surface enhancement Raman scattering)

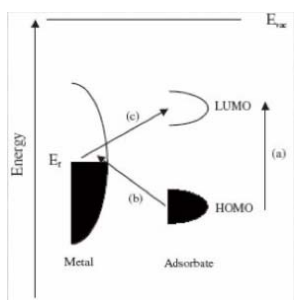
In 1977, Jeanmaire reported an interesting finding, silver surfaces give Raman enhancements in the range of $10^3 \sim 10^8$



The enhancement mechanisms are roughly divided into **chemical enhancement** and **electromagnetic enhancement**

Ref: Jeanmaire, Van Duyne, J. Electroanal. Chem., 84,1, 1977.

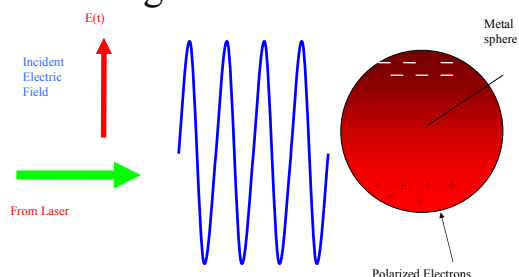
Chemical enhancement



Ref: Campion, et al., Chem. Soc. Rev., 27, 241, 1998.

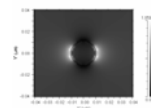
Chemical enhancement has been estimated to contribute a factor of up to 100 to the SERS enhancement.

Electromagnetic enhancement

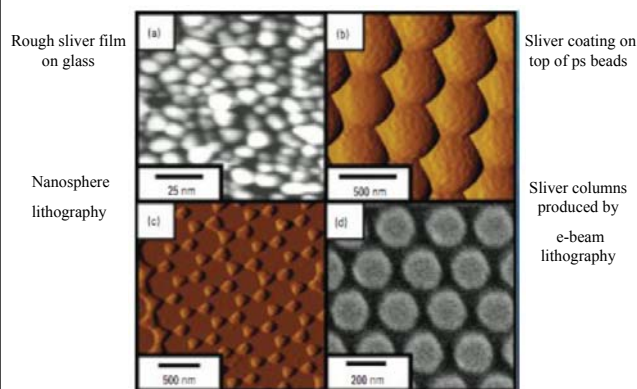


ref: K. Knipp et al., Phys. Rev. Lett., 78, 1667, 1997.

$${}^{em}G_{SER}(r, \nu) \propto \left| \frac{E(r, \nu)}{E_{inc}(\nu)} \right|^4$$



Substrates



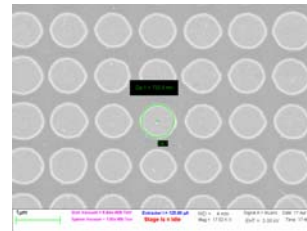
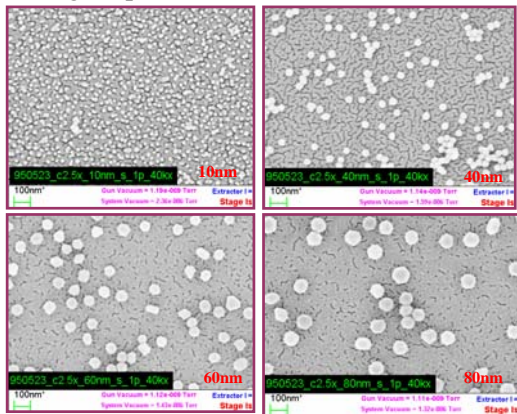
Ref: Haynes, C. et al., Anal. Chem. A., 1, 338, 2005.

Observations

Surface-enhanced Raman spectroscopy required:

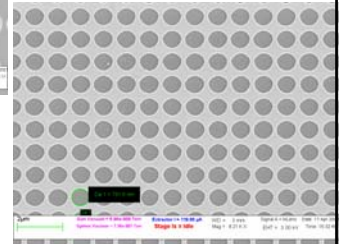
- specific metals (e.g. Au, Ag, Cu, Pt, ...)
- surfaces with roughness on the nanometer scale
- certain molecules provided much higher Raman intensities (mostly molecules with carbon double-bonds) N, S. Benzene.

Nano gold particles

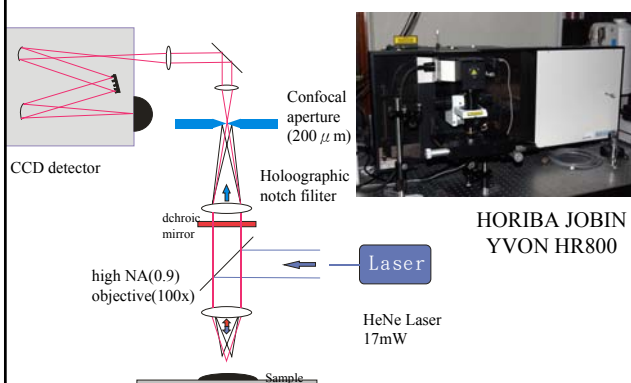


Holes diameter: 180-800nm ; $1\mu\text{m}$

Cylinders diameter: 124-800nm
; $1\mu\text{m}$



Micro-Raman Spectrometer

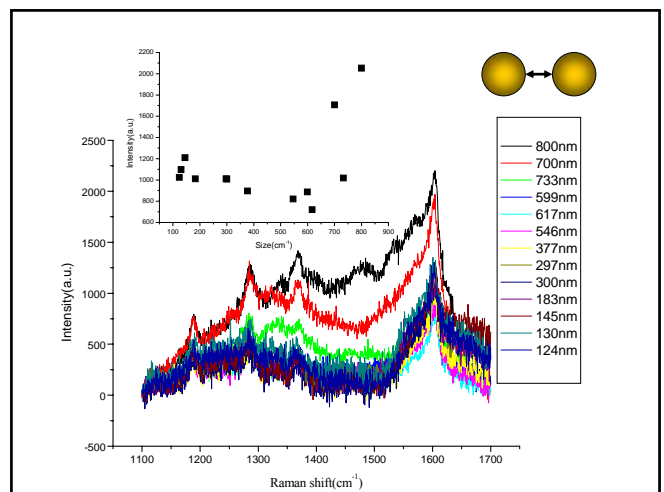
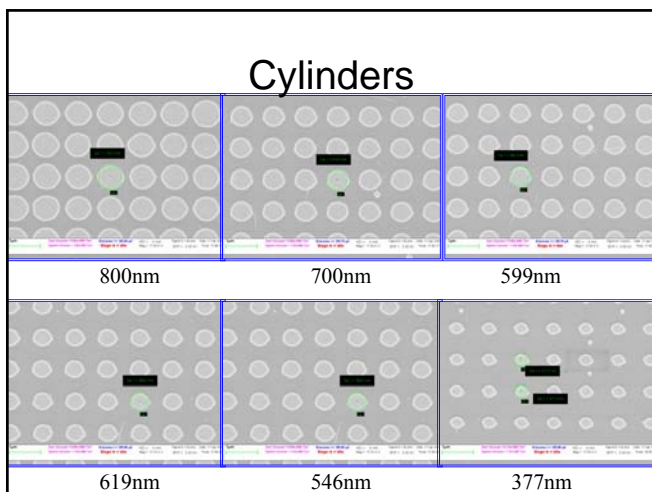
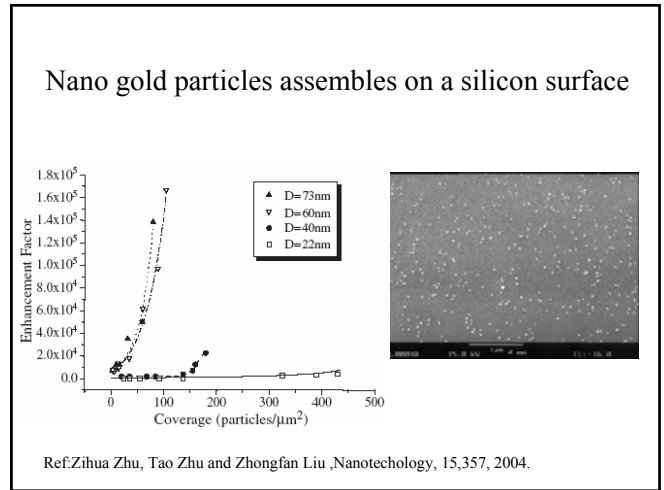
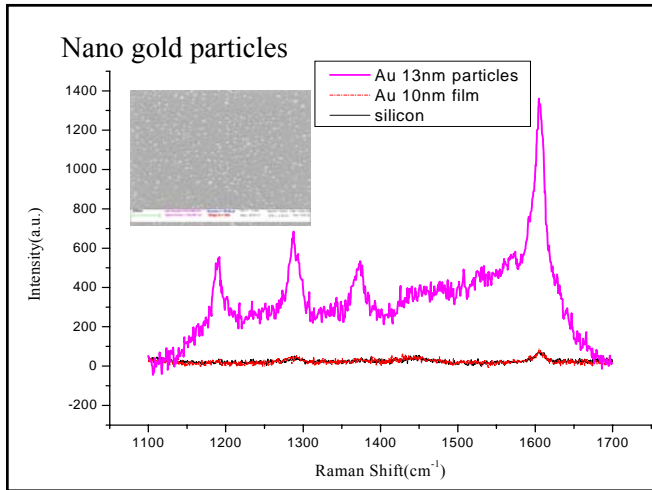


RESULTS

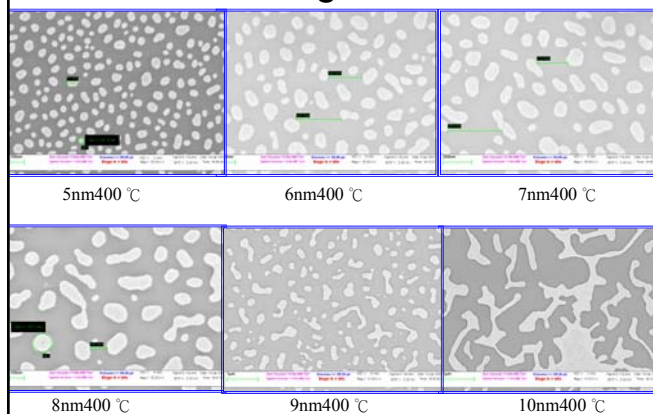
1. SEM images of Nano metallic surface

2. Nano metallic structures for SERS

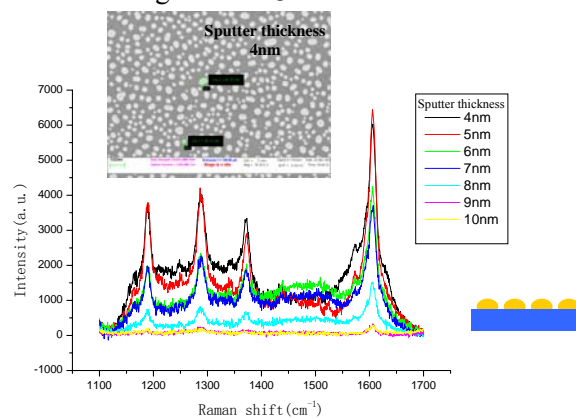
- Nano particle gold assemblies on a silicon surface
- Nano cylinders & holes
- Dewetting Au & Ag
- Silver particles on dewetting Au



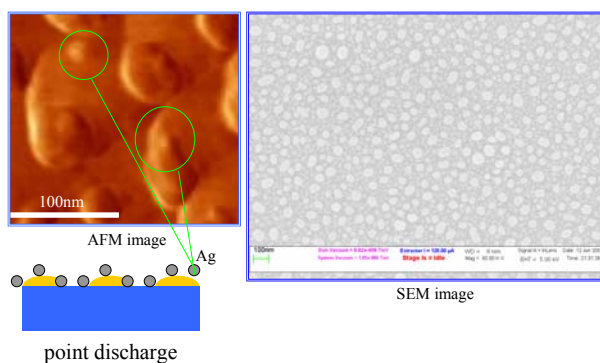
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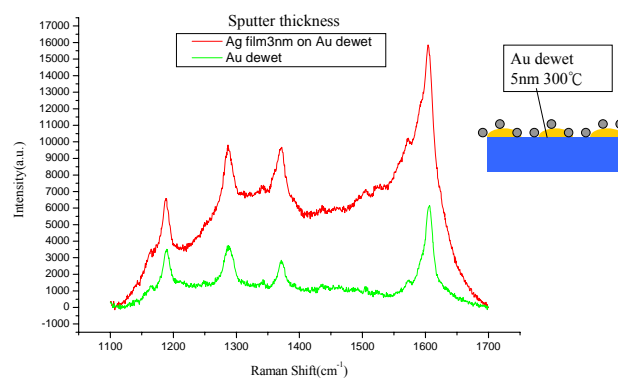
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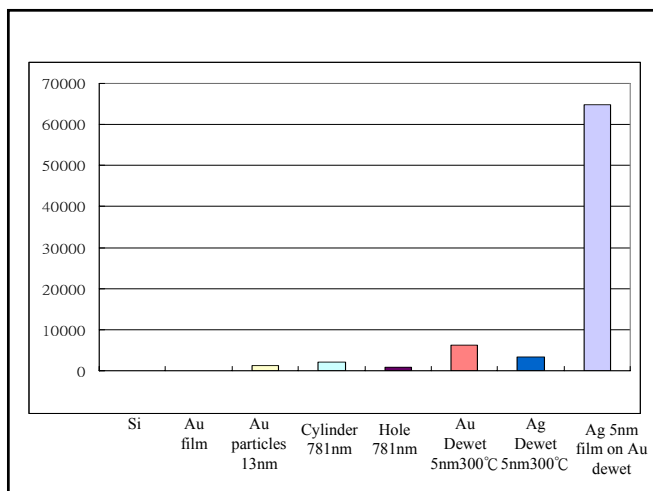


Sliver particles on dewetting Au



Sliver NPs on dewetting Au



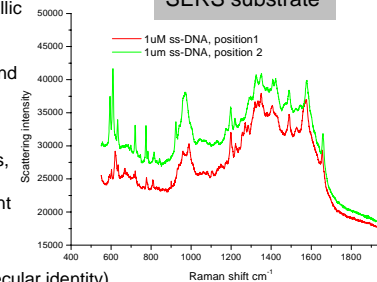


Conclusions:

1. The absorption and scattering is greatly enhanced in metallic nanoparticles.
2. Gold nanoparticle is a good candidate for bio-labeling and therapy.
3. Substrate with nanometer roughness can greatly enhance the Raman signals, (SERS)
4. Raman signals are important for biological studies:

DNA, RNA, proteins..

SERS substrate



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