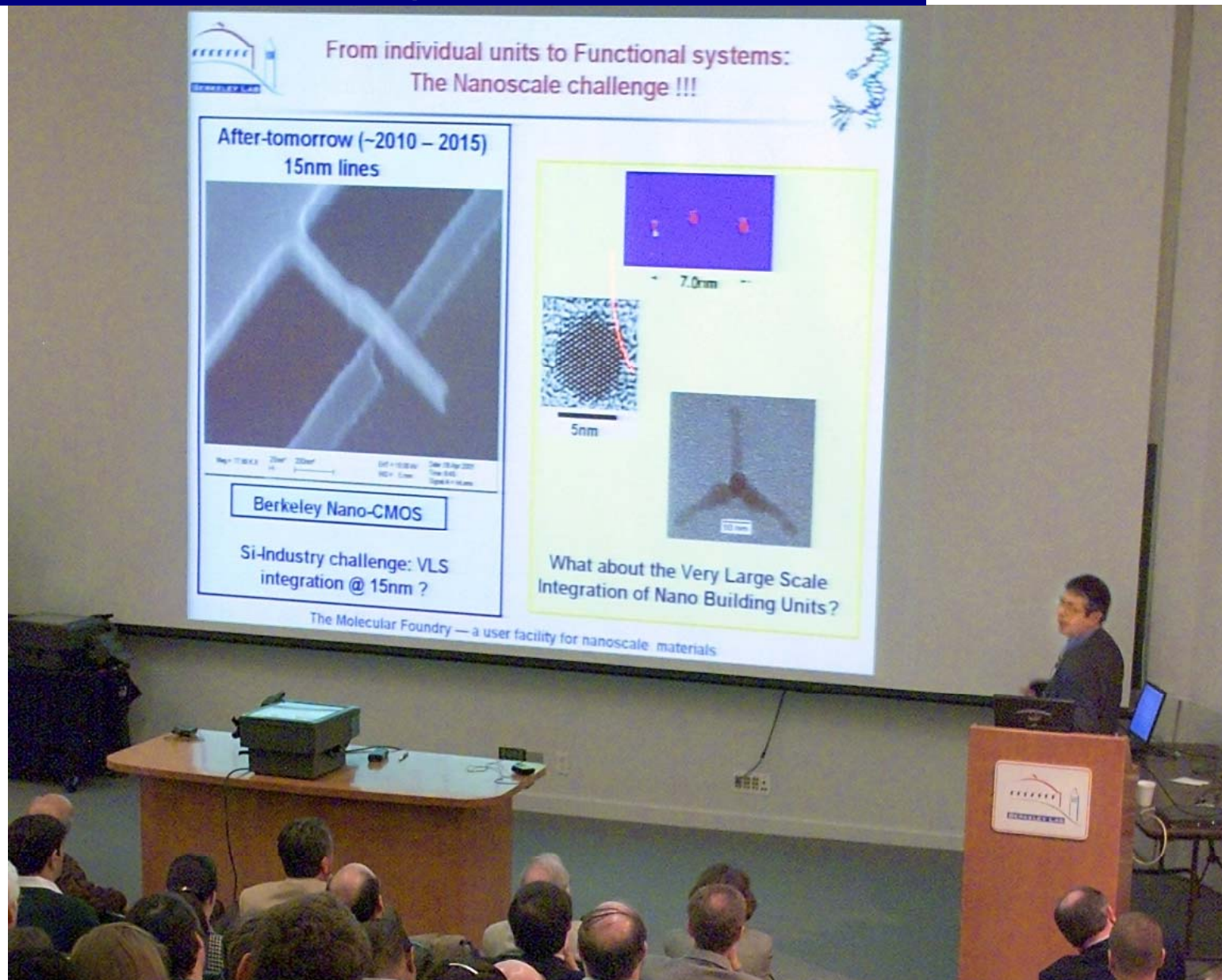




Realizing Daniel's Vision for Nanoscience: The Molecular Foundry

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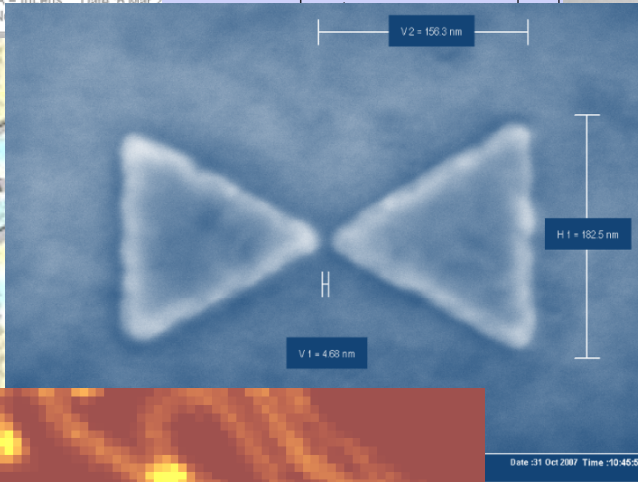
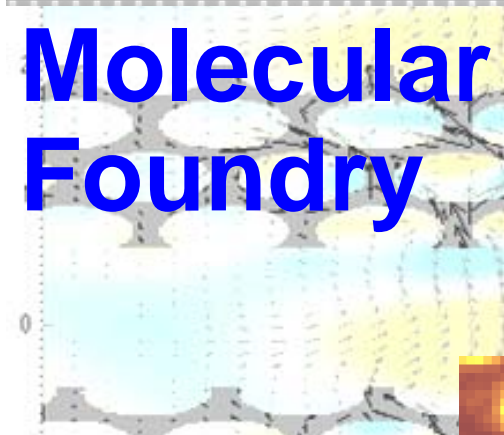
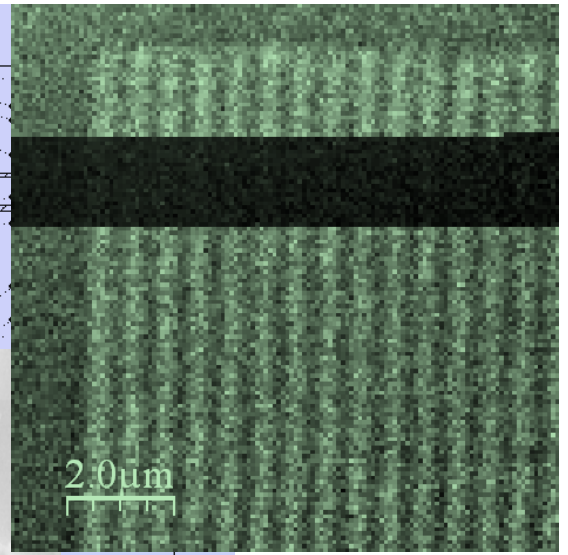
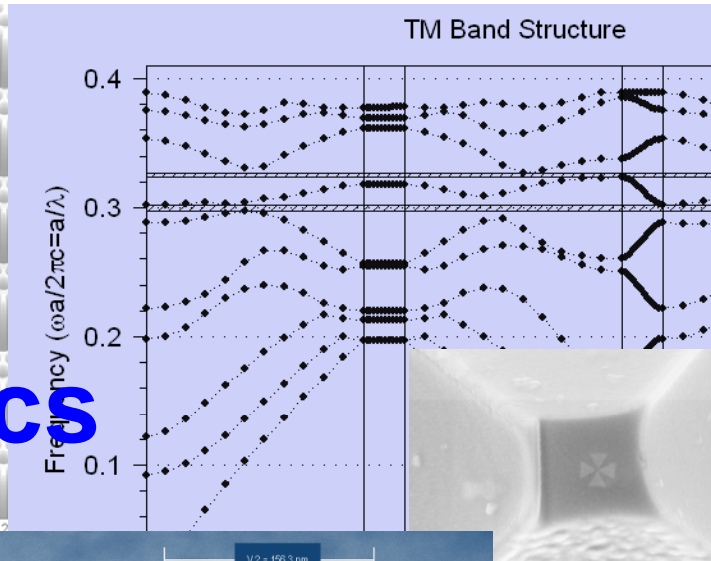
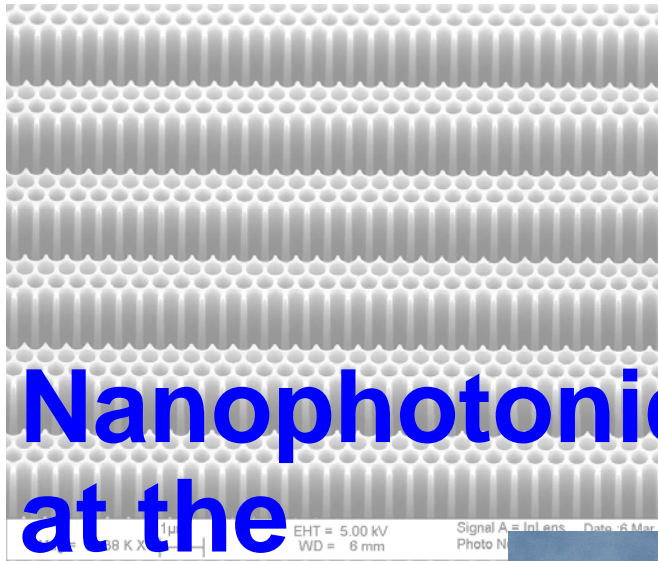
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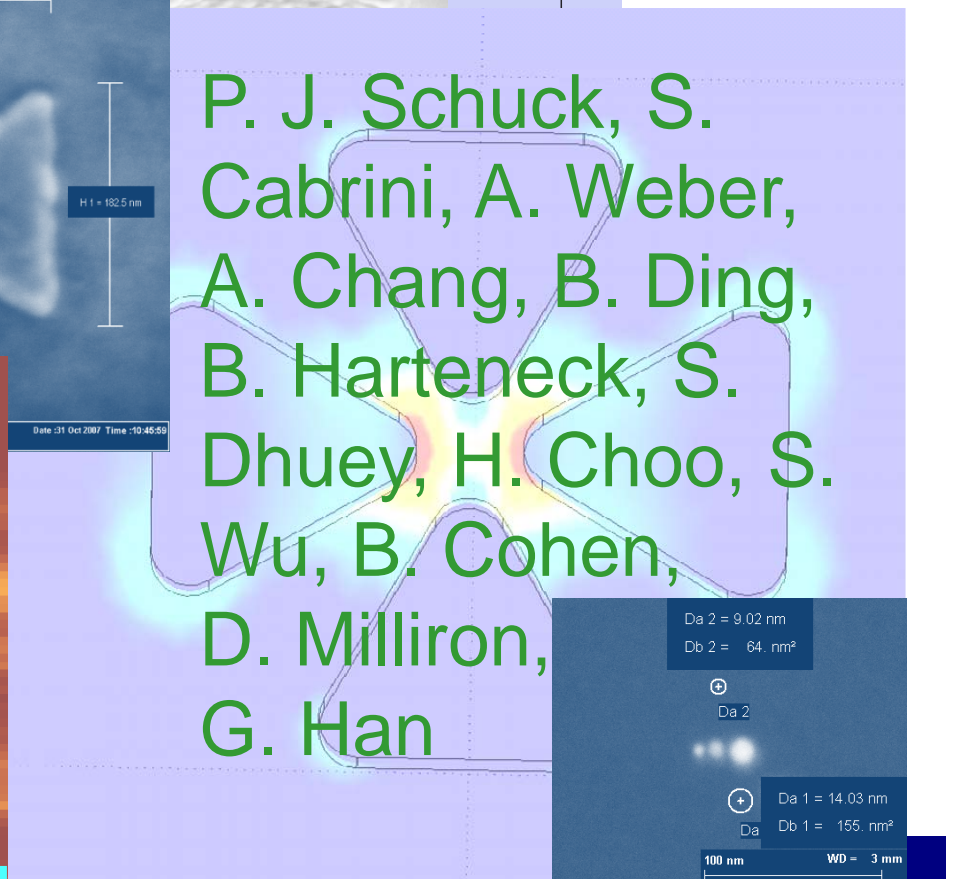
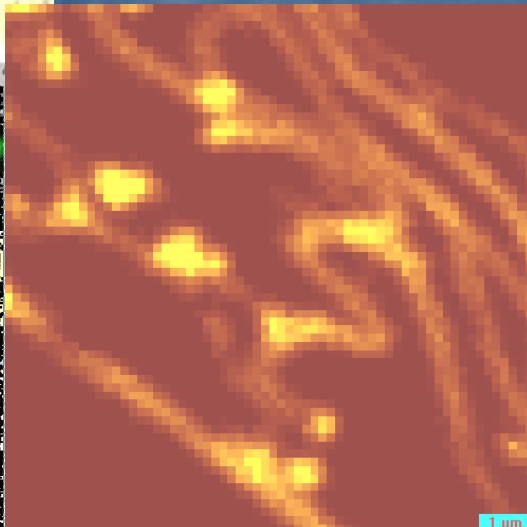
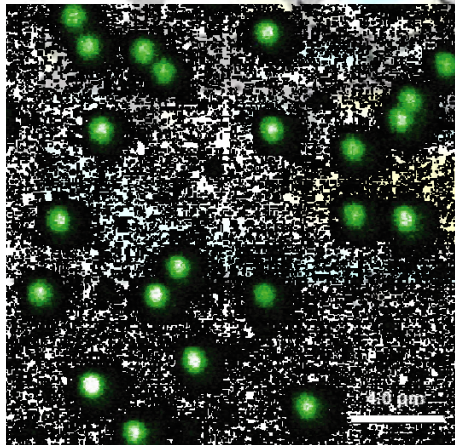




Nanophotonics at the Molecular Foundry



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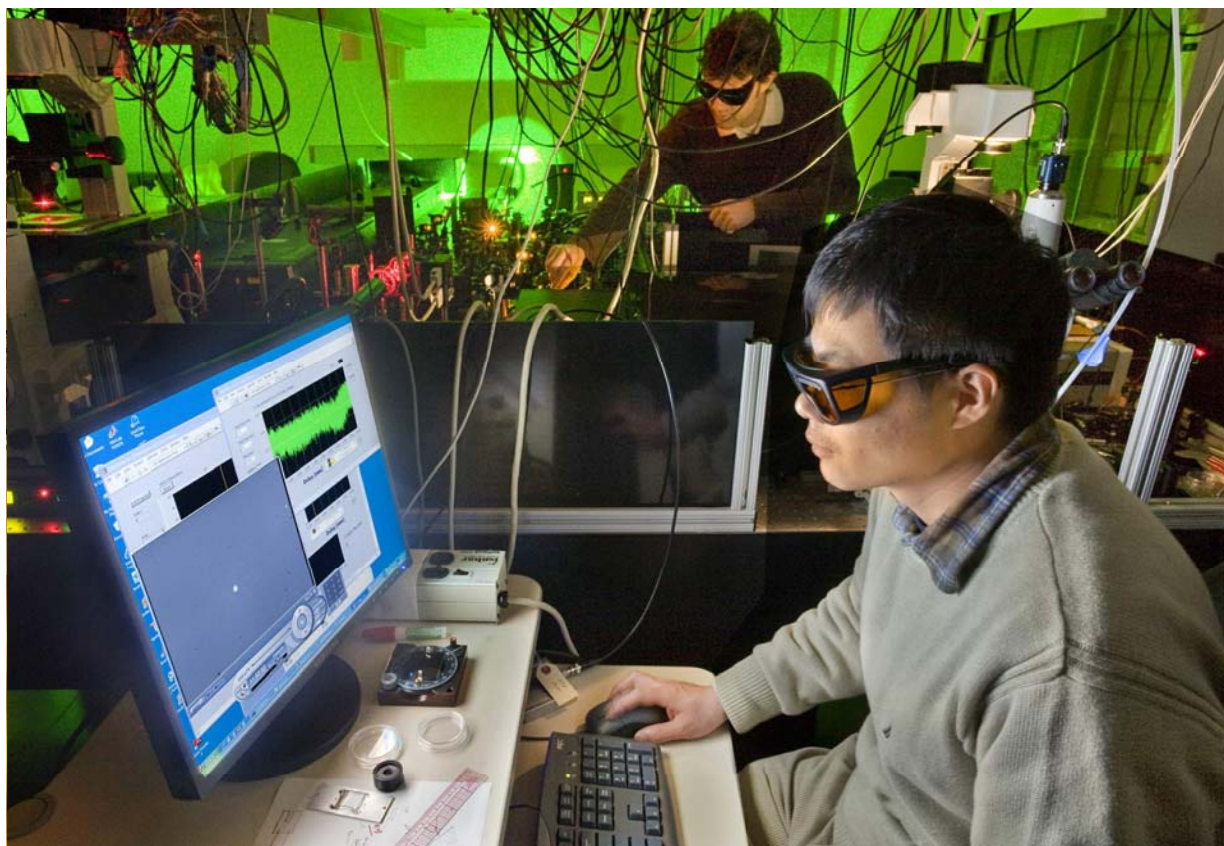
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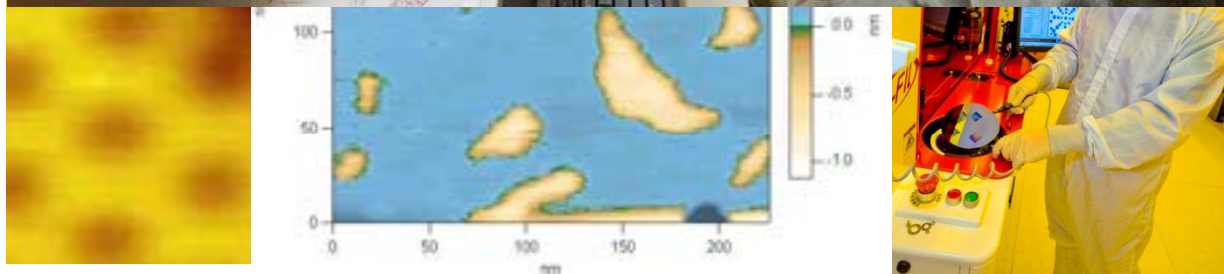
Coffee...



Research!!!



The view...

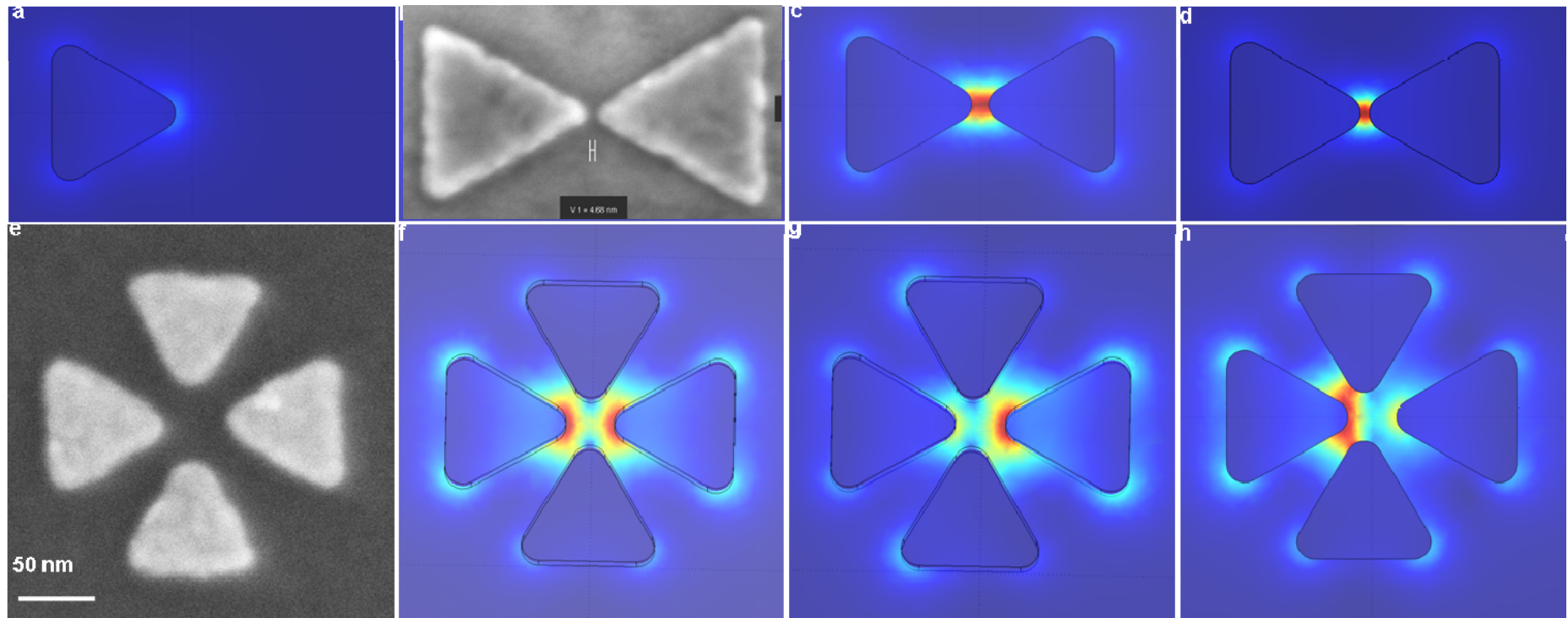


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Plasmonic Nanoantennas

Control and Manipulation of Optical Fields at the Nanoscale



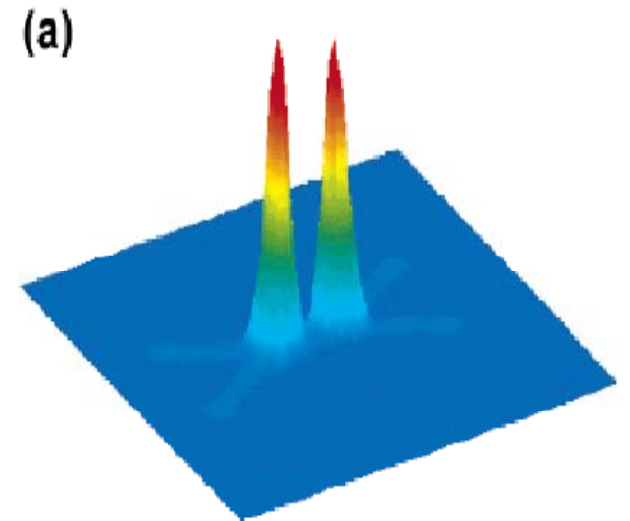
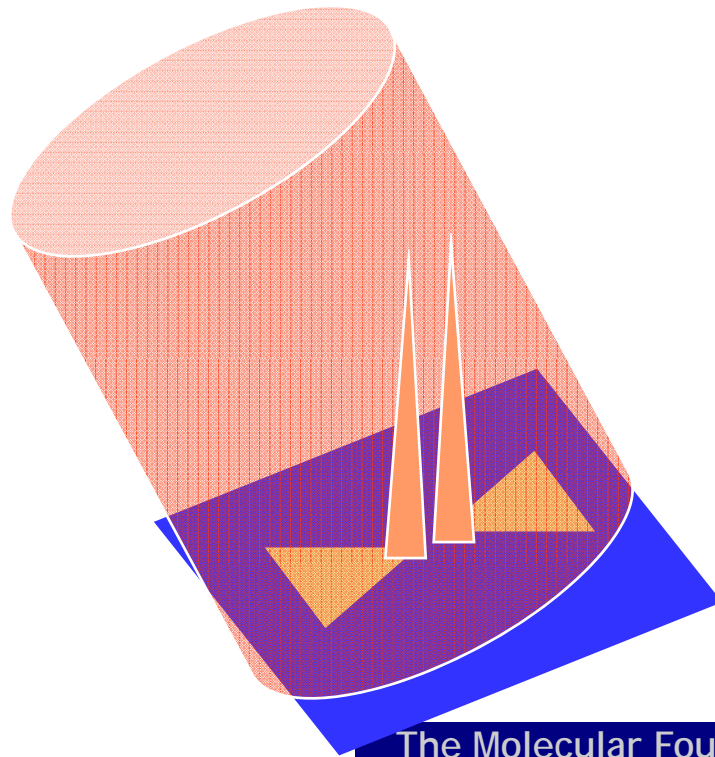
Nanopatterning for plasmonic antennas



- Bowtie antennas, two metallic triangles facing tip to tip with small gap.
- High local field in sub-wavelength volume

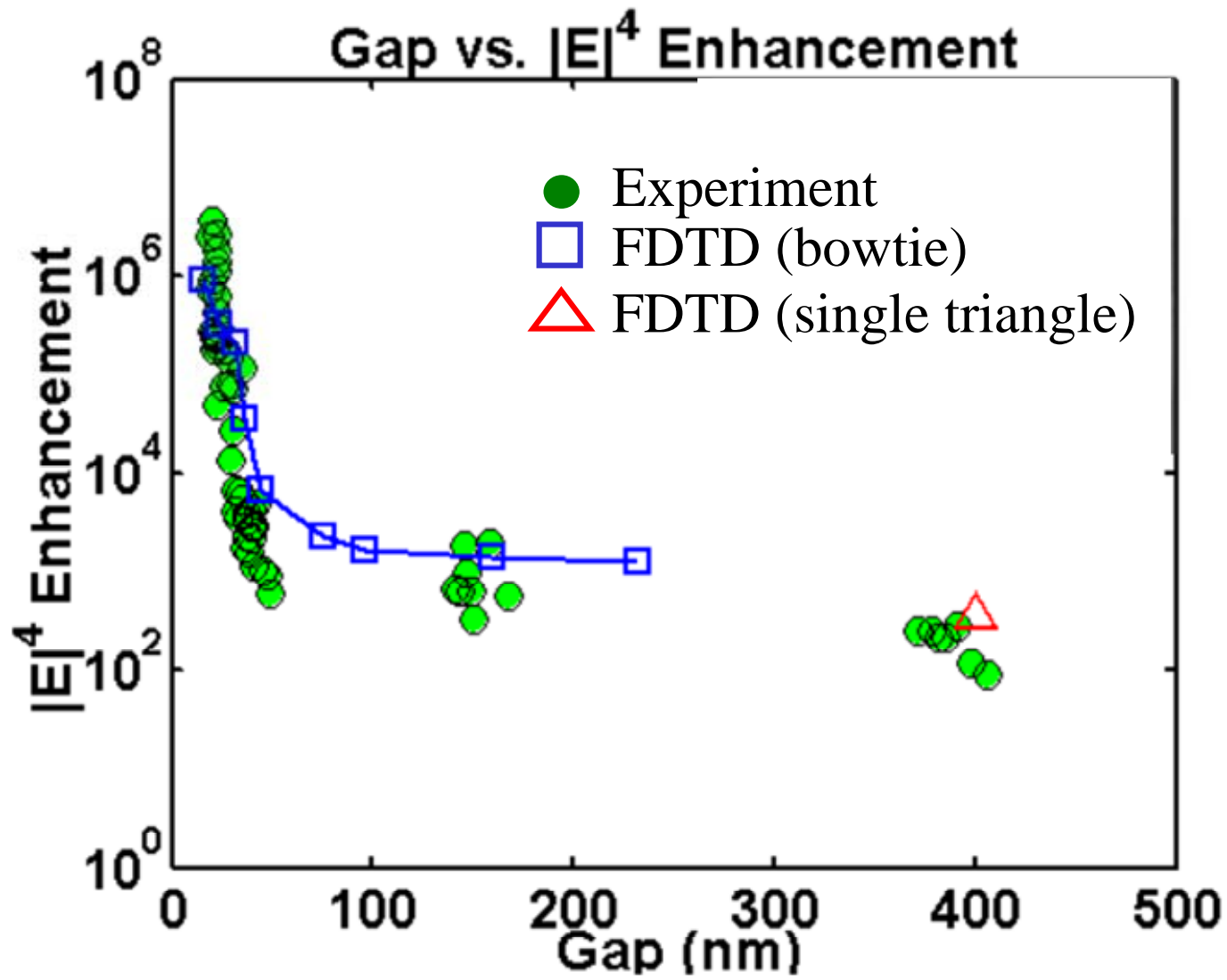
External
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S. Cabrini. Collaboration with J. Schuck Imaging and Manipulation Group

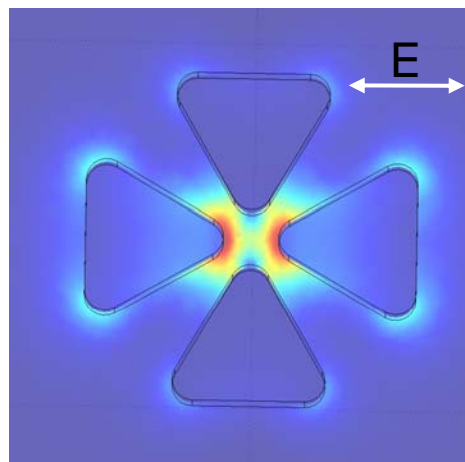
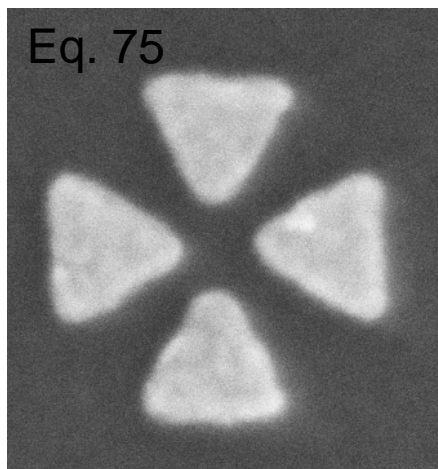
Need for Smallest Gap



Resonance of "Cross" Nanoantennas

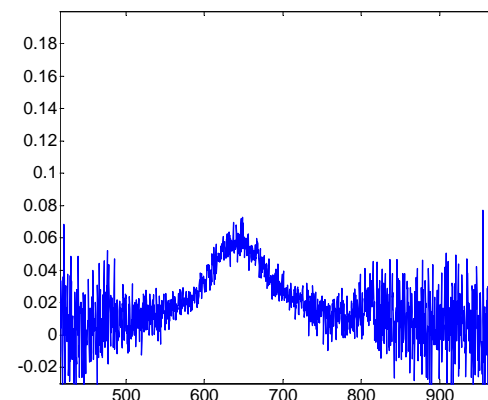
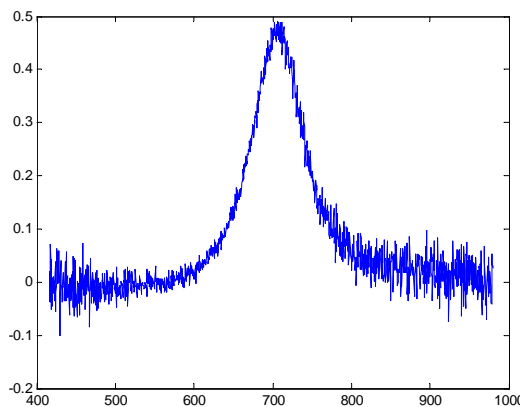
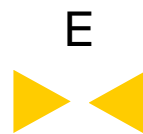
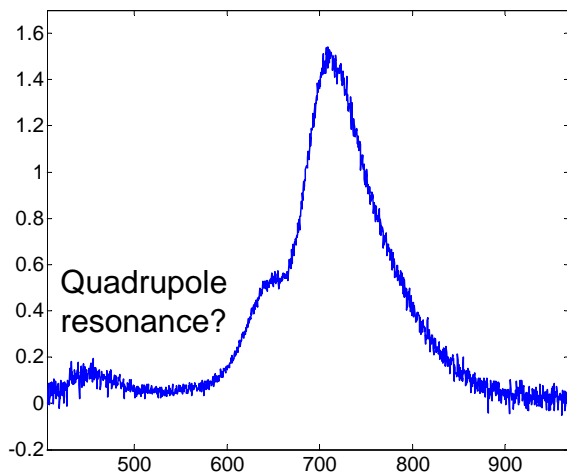


- Optimize interaction with all polarizations



COMSOL simulation of normalized E-field at resonant wavelength

Scattering spectrum for a Eq. 75 Cross = Parallel Polarization + Perpendicular Polarization

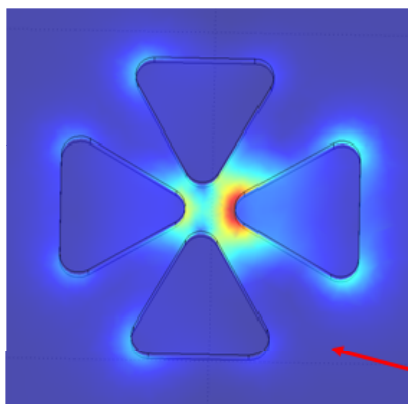


Plasmonic Nanoantennas

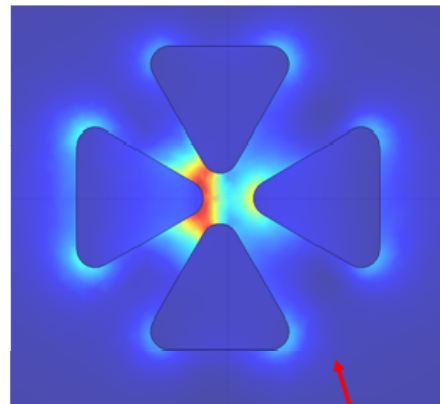
Plasmonic Color Nano-sorter

Asymmetric Cross

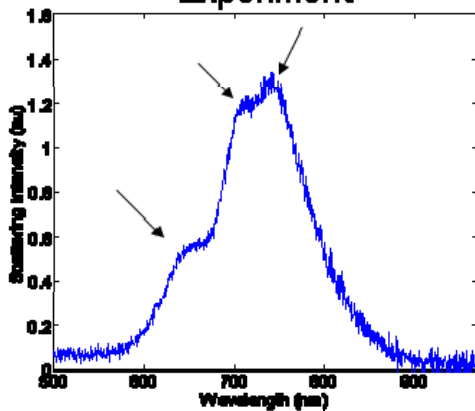
780 nm resonance



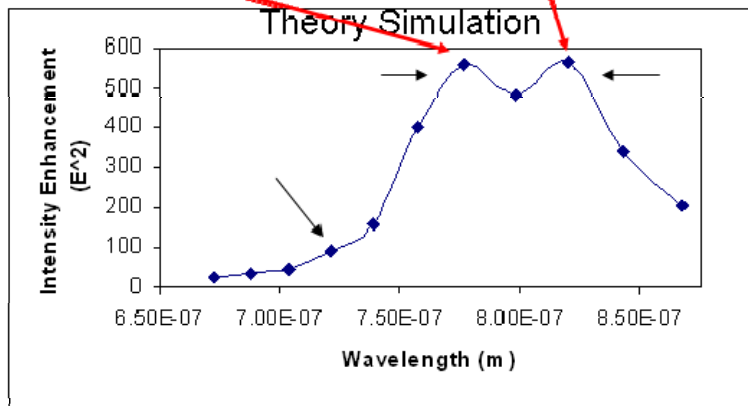
820 nm resonance



Experiment

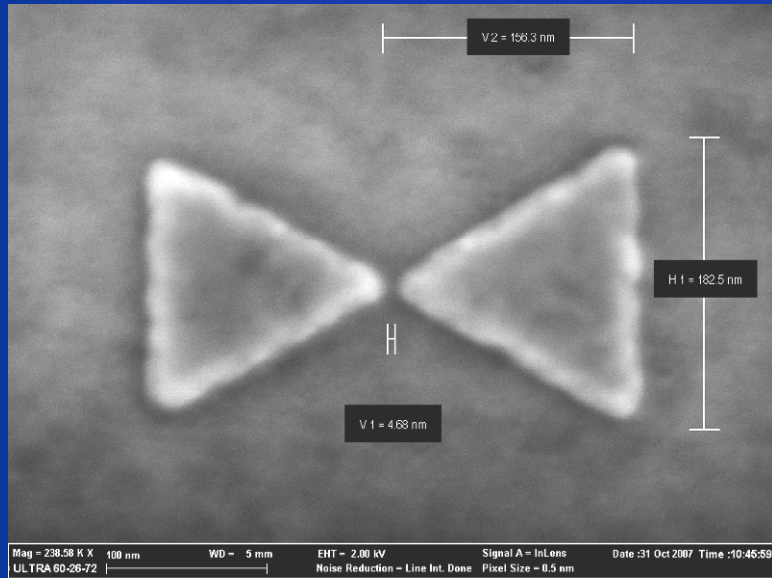


Theory Simulation

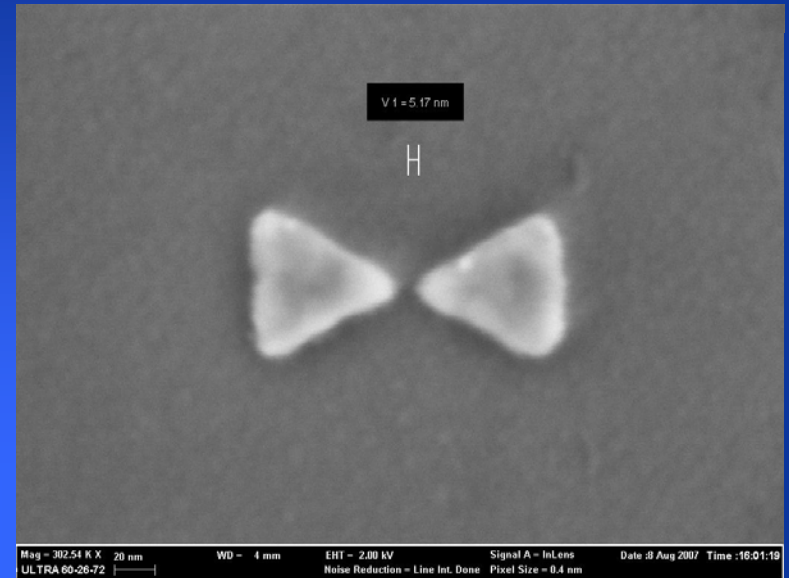


Bowtie Nanoantennas: E-beam Fabrication

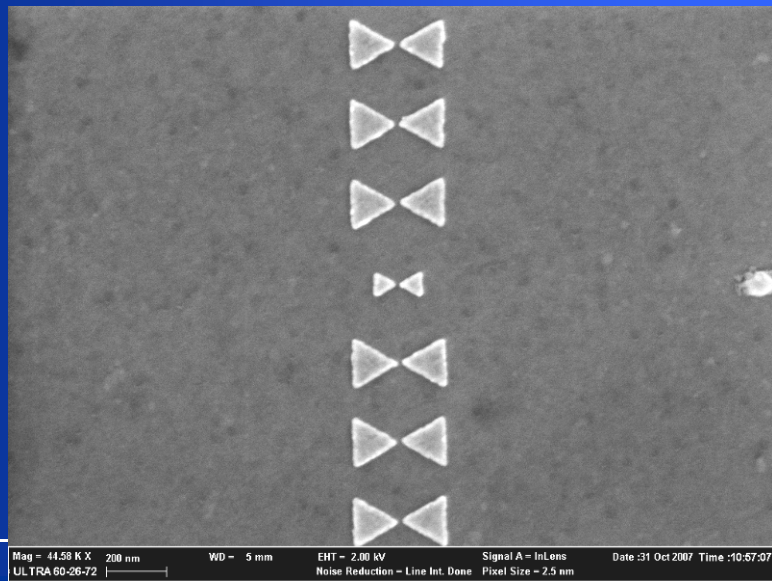
150nm bowtie, 4nm gap.



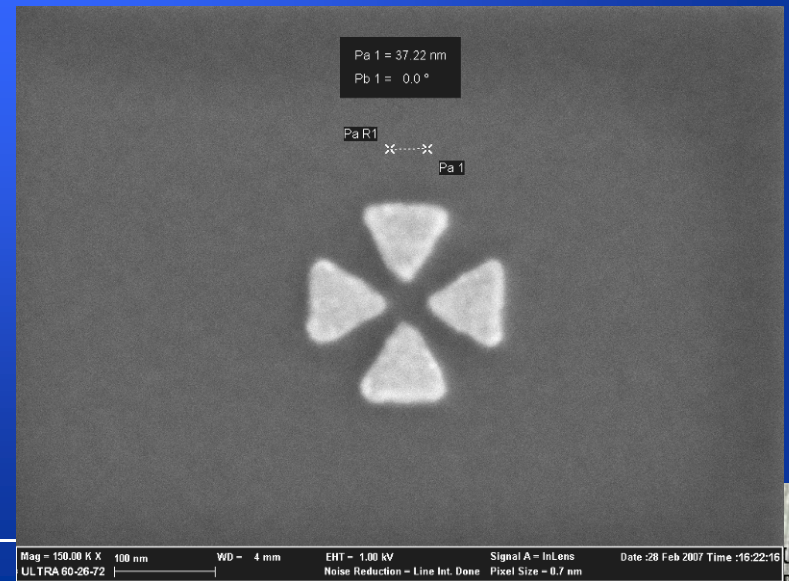
Gold liftoff of bowtie, 5nm gap.



Bowtie chains.

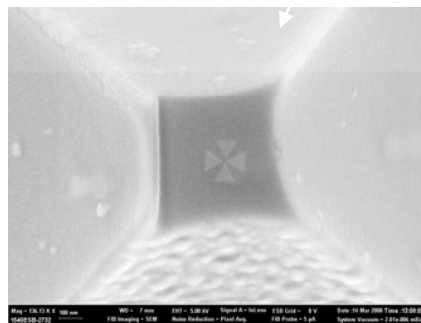
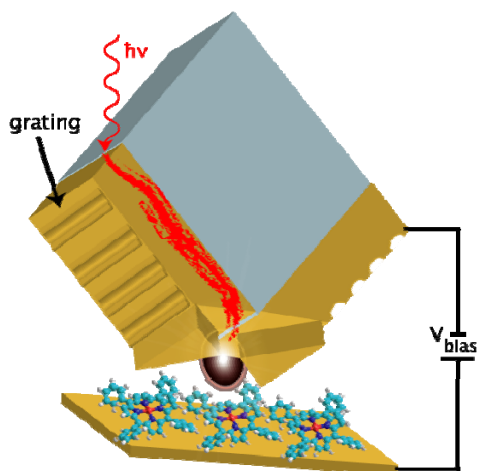
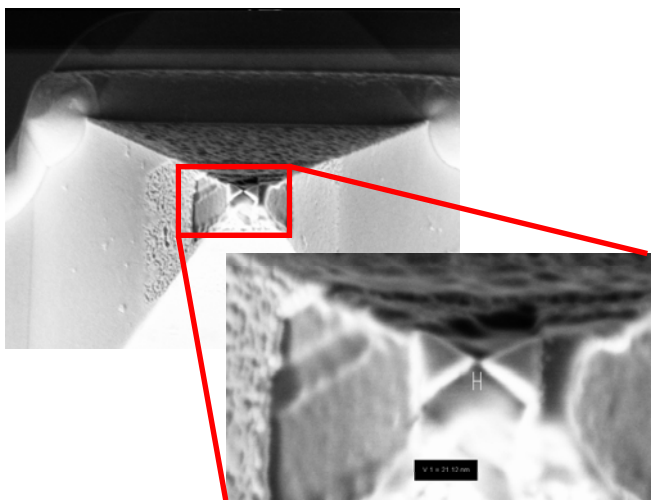


Gold liftoff of e-beam exposed bowtie cross.



Scanning Nanoantenna Micro(Nano)scope

Optical Imaging Spectroscopy
 + 10nm resolution
 + high lateral control

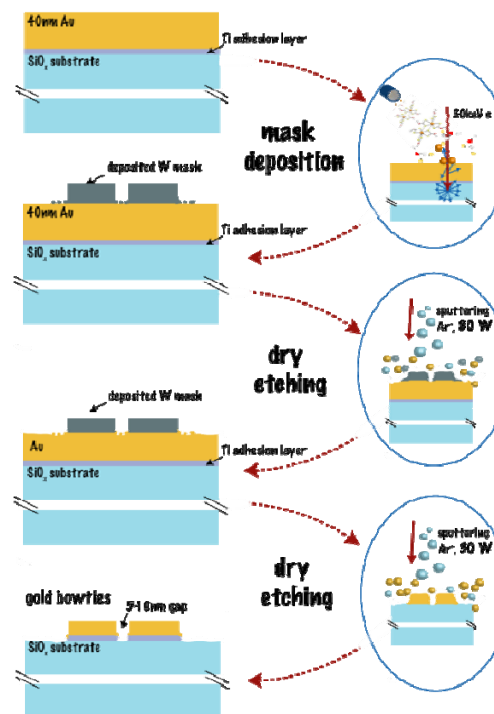


Raman, nanoCARS, photoluminescence, etc.

- ~ 10^5 times more efficient than NSOM
- 5-10 times better spatial resolution
- > 10 times larger enhancement than ANSOM

Novel nanofabrication techniques essential for these length scales and “substrates”

Electron-beam Induced Deposition and differential dry etching to build plasmonic nanostructures



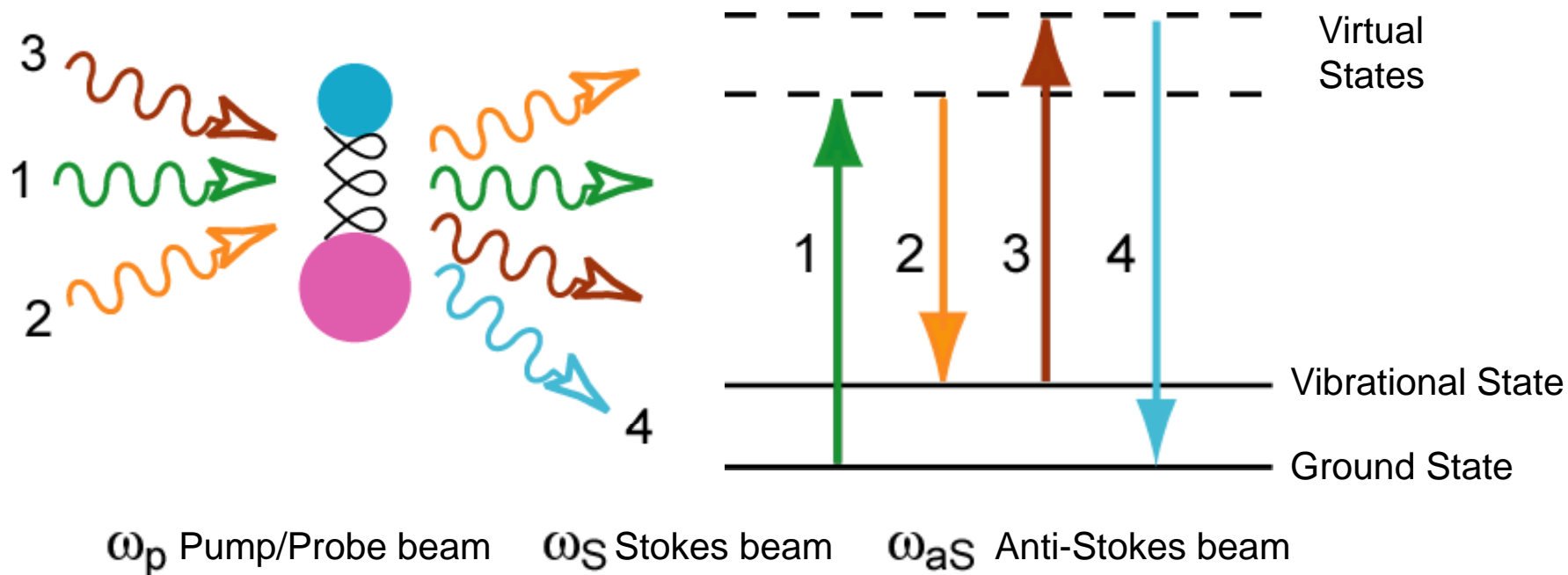
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CARS: Better Sensitivity

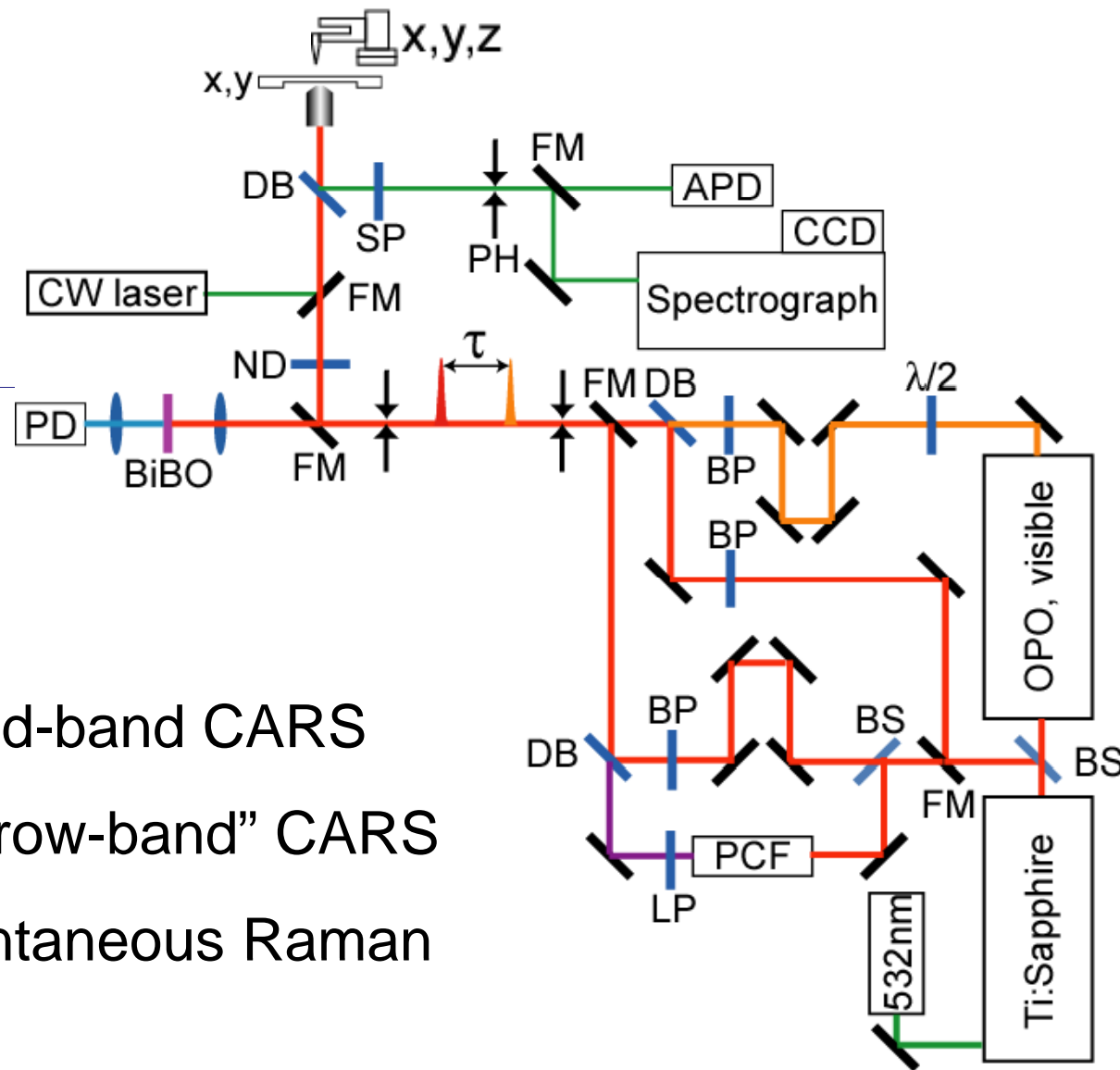
What is CARS?

CARS: Coherent Antistokes Raman Scattering



Better signal-to-noise for nanoscale structures

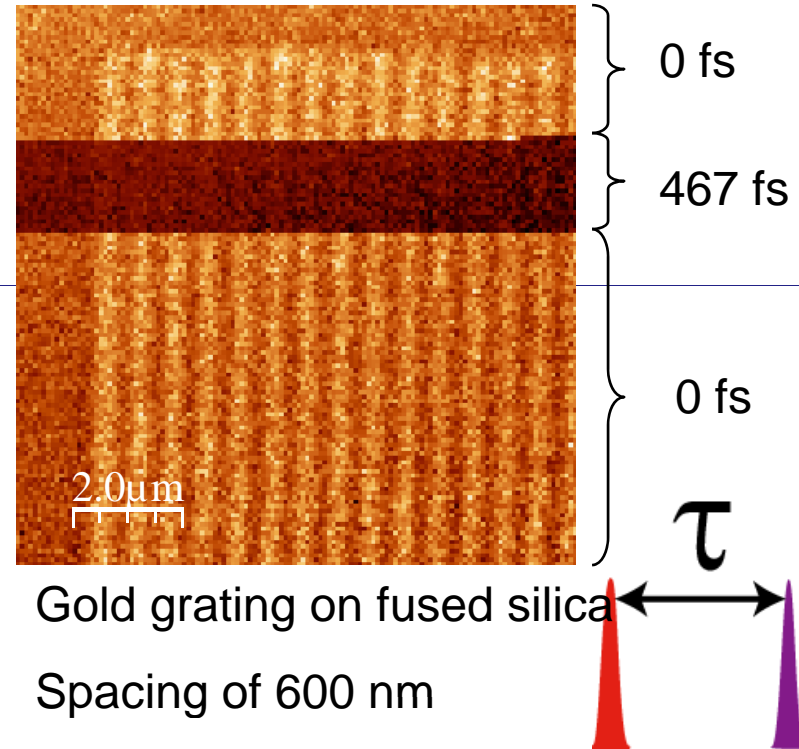
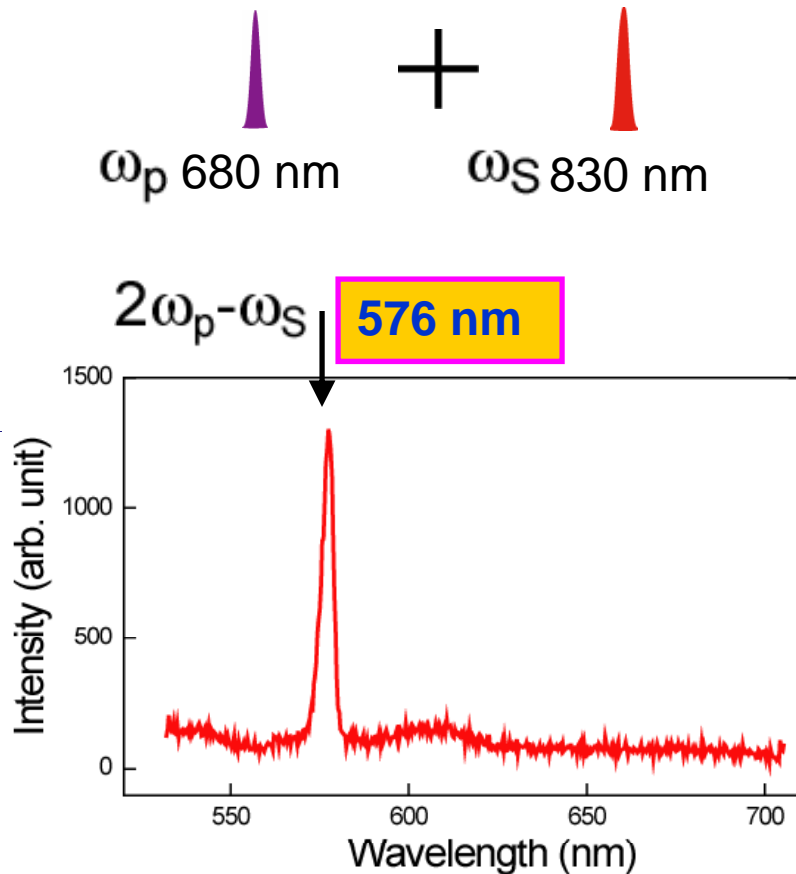
Three Raman setups on one Microscope



1. Broad-band CARS
2. "Narrow-band" CARS
3. Spontaneous Raman

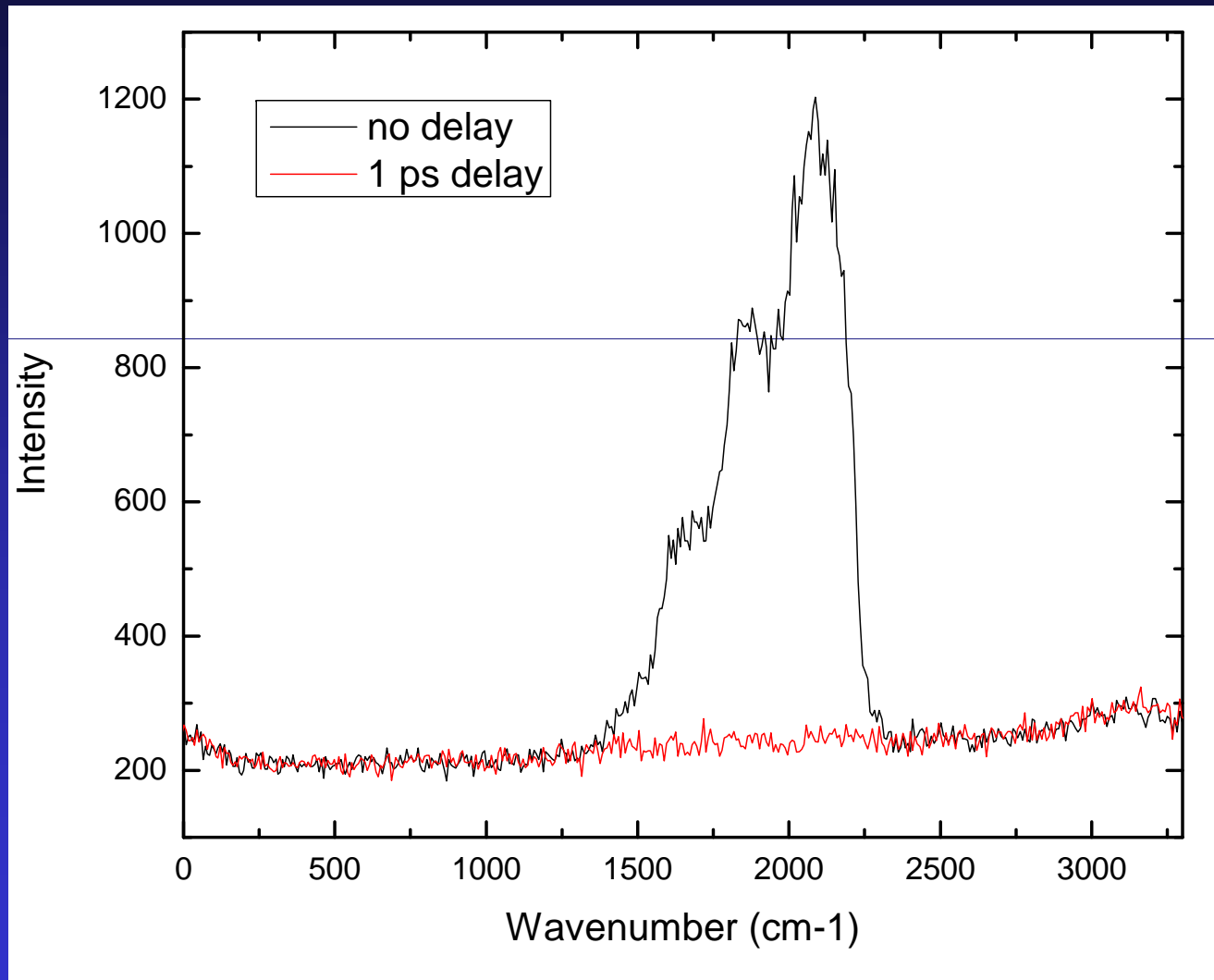
CARS IMAGING:

Four-Wave Mixing (FWM), non-resonant $\chi^{(3)}$



- Imaging based on nonlinear optics (FWM) renders higher spatial resolution
- ITO under ebeam exposure has large FWM signal

Broadband CARS spectra from HSQ on Si



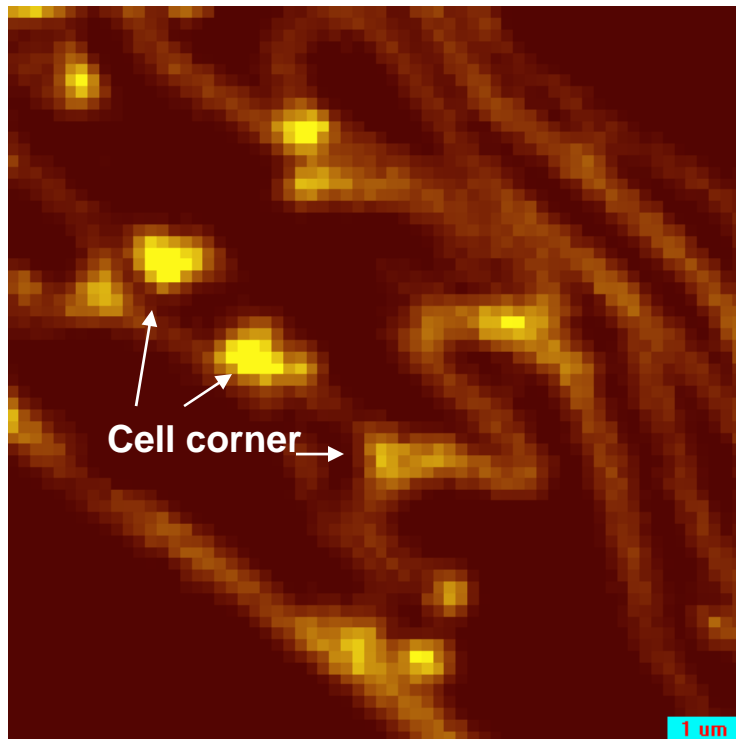


Plant Cell Wall *CARS* Imaging



P. Adams, P. J. Schuck, M. Schmidt
Energy Biosciences Institute and Molecular Foundry

- **CARS image of Lignan concentration in dry arabidopsis leaf section**
~ 1600 cm^{-1} band



BioFuels Goals:

- Visualize the chemical and physical obstacles to biomass breakdown.
- Develop better pretreatment procedures
- Identify suitable plant materials

Self-Similar Au Nanoparticle Chains



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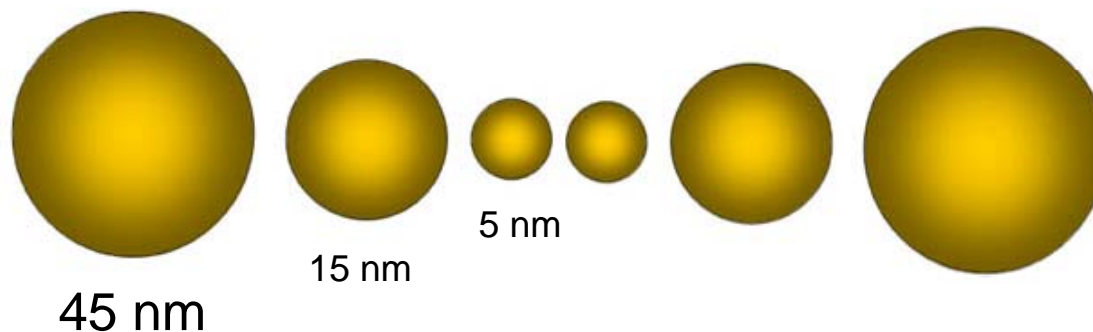
Self-Similar Chain of Metal Nanospheres as an Efficient Nanolens

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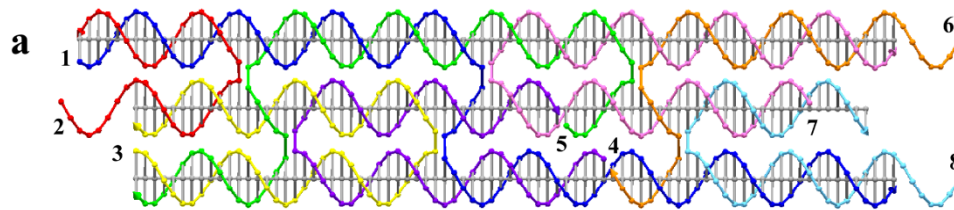
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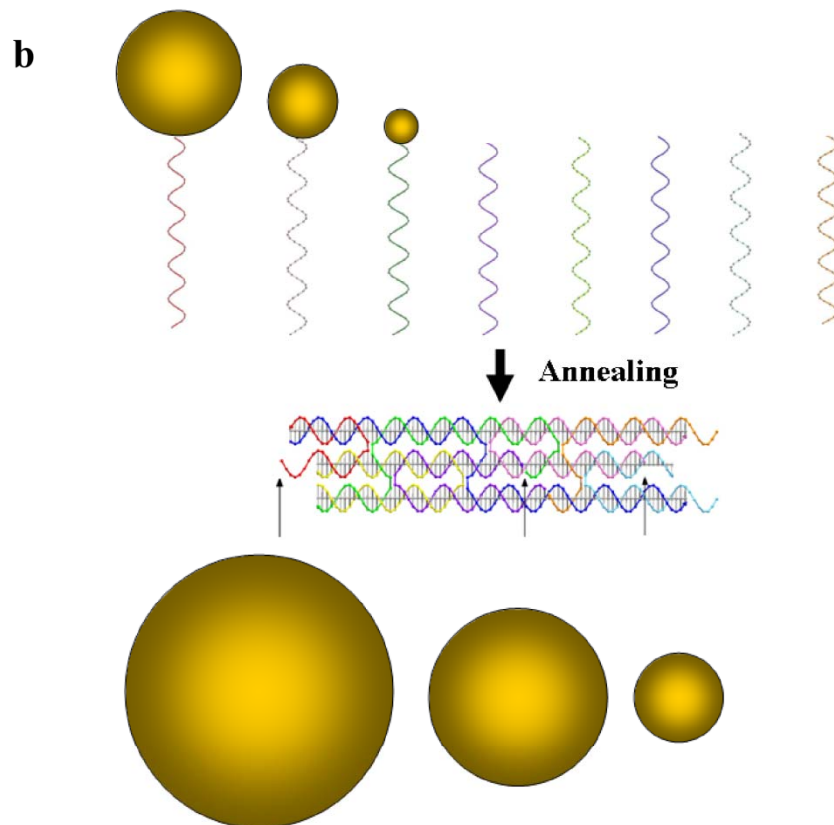


Field gain > 1000
Raman enhancement $> 10^{13}$

Fabrication by DNA Self-Assembly



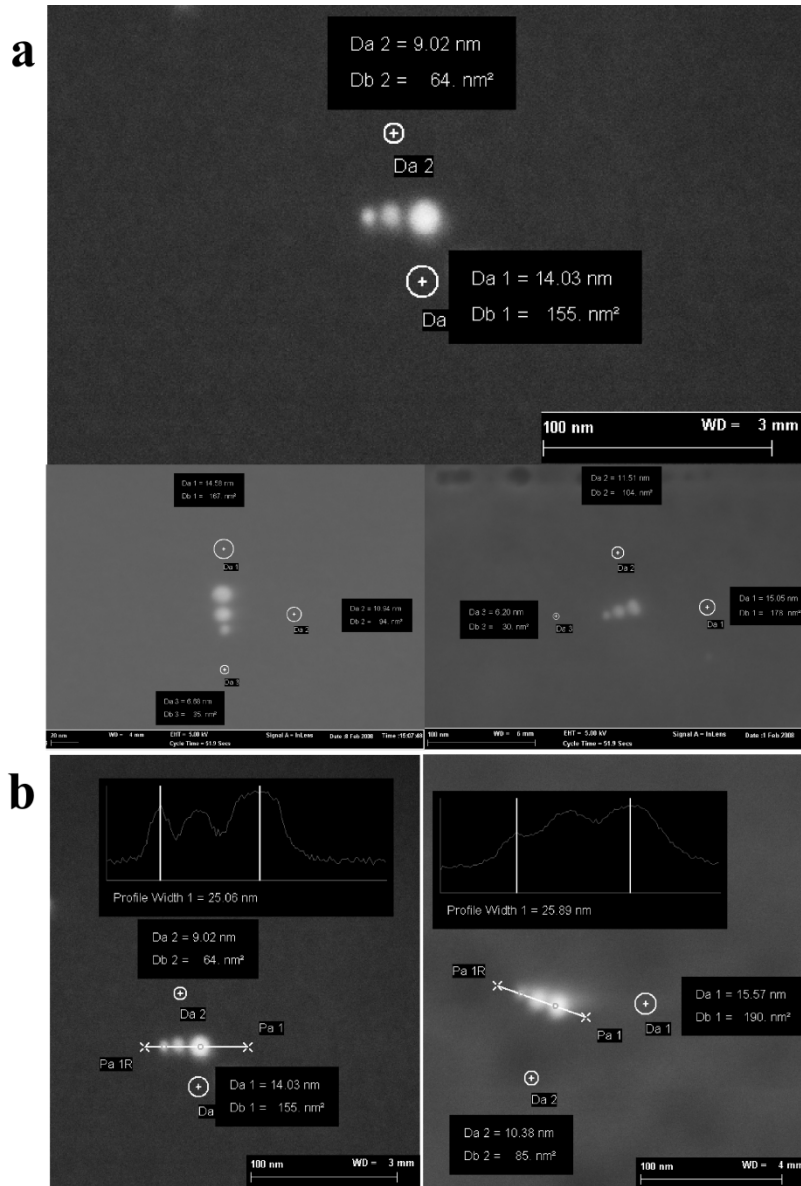
DNA "triple crossover molecule"



Baoquan Ding, Stefano Cabrini,
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Results: 3 particle 'half-chains'



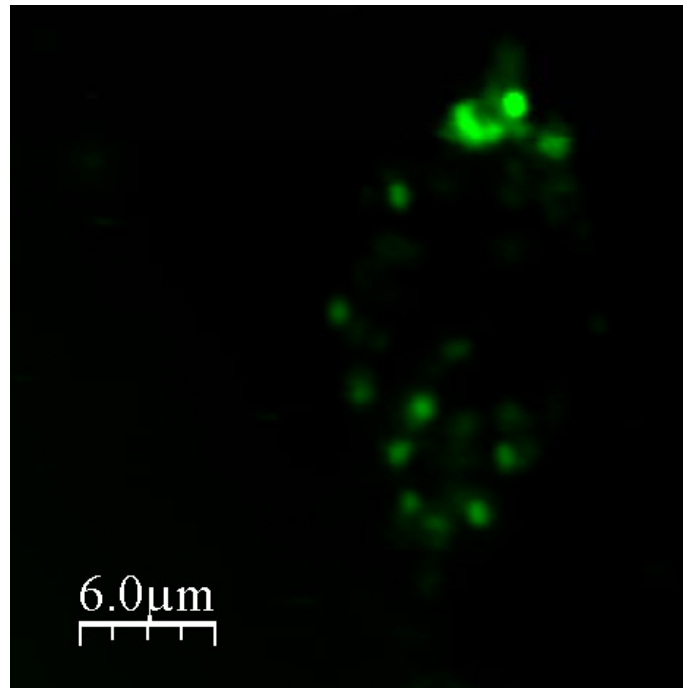
- DNA triple-crossover molecules used for self-assembly of 3-particle gold chains
- Particle spacing ~ 2.5 nm with tight control (± 0.8 nm)
- Yield is low, but improving
- Optical characterization in progress

Ideal “Single-molecule” Probes: Upconverting Lanthanide-doped Nanocrystals

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Luminescence image of Upconverting Nanoparticles (UNCPs) in a cell

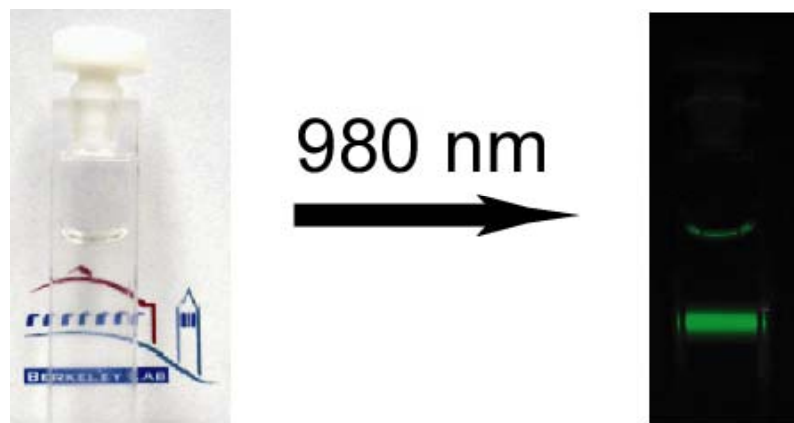


Why do we study the UCNPs?

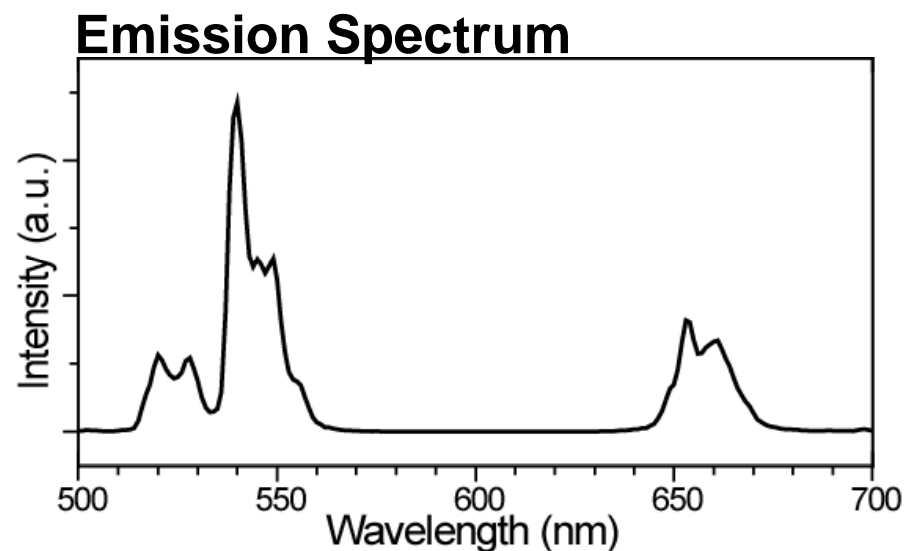


Ideal single-molecule probe

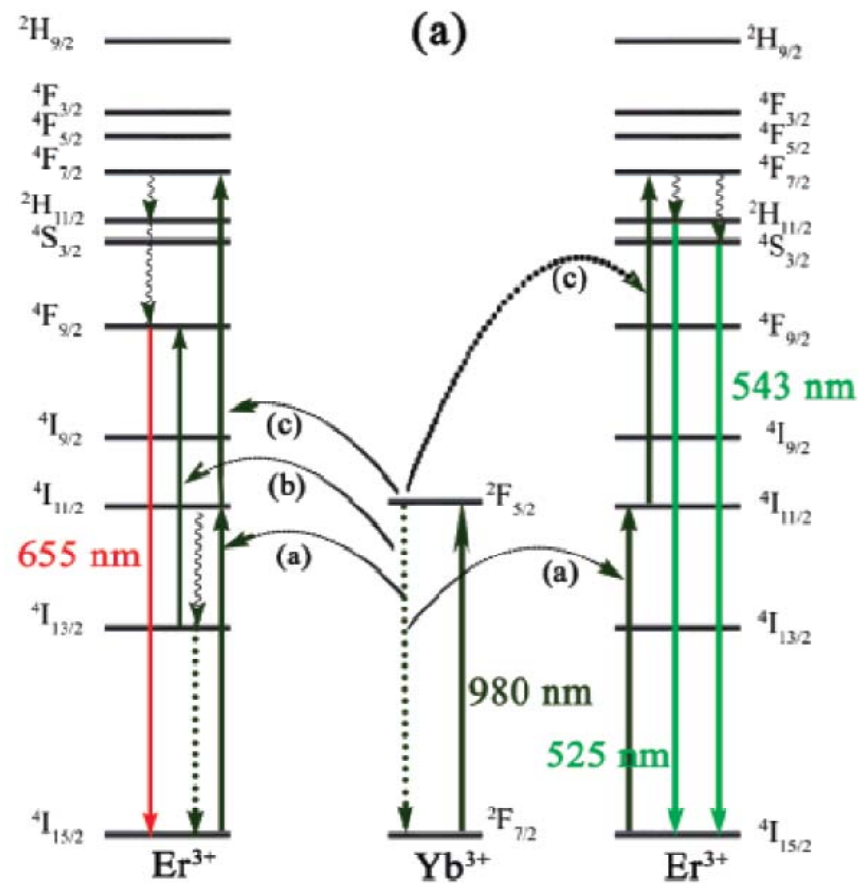
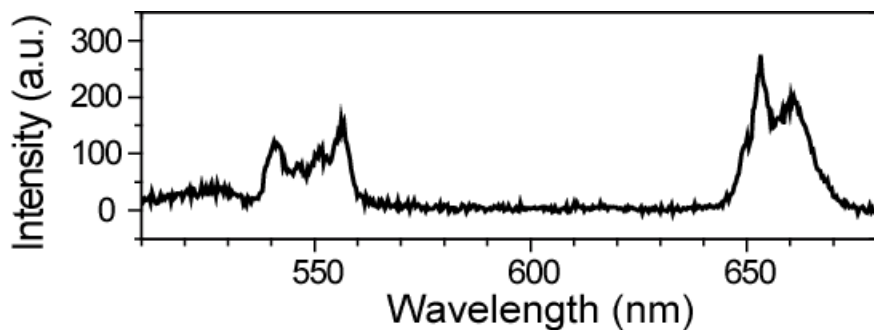
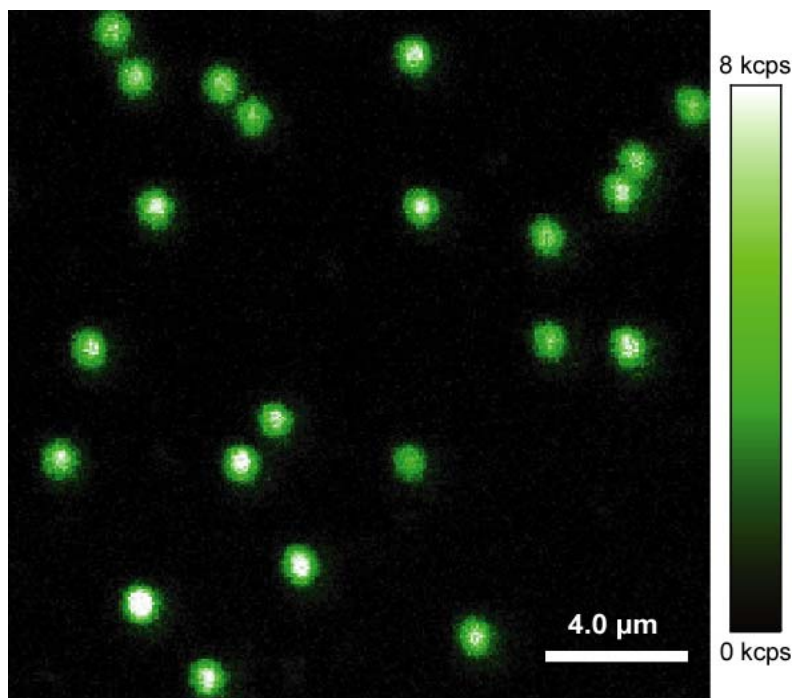
- ✓ Good brightness
- ✓ Uninterrupted emission (no blinking)
- ✓ No photobleaching
- ✓ Near-zero overlap with background autofluorescence (anti-Stokes, two-photon, etc)
- ✓ Bio-compatibility (water-soluble, non-toxic)
- ✓ Deep penetration (NIR)



Transparent in visible

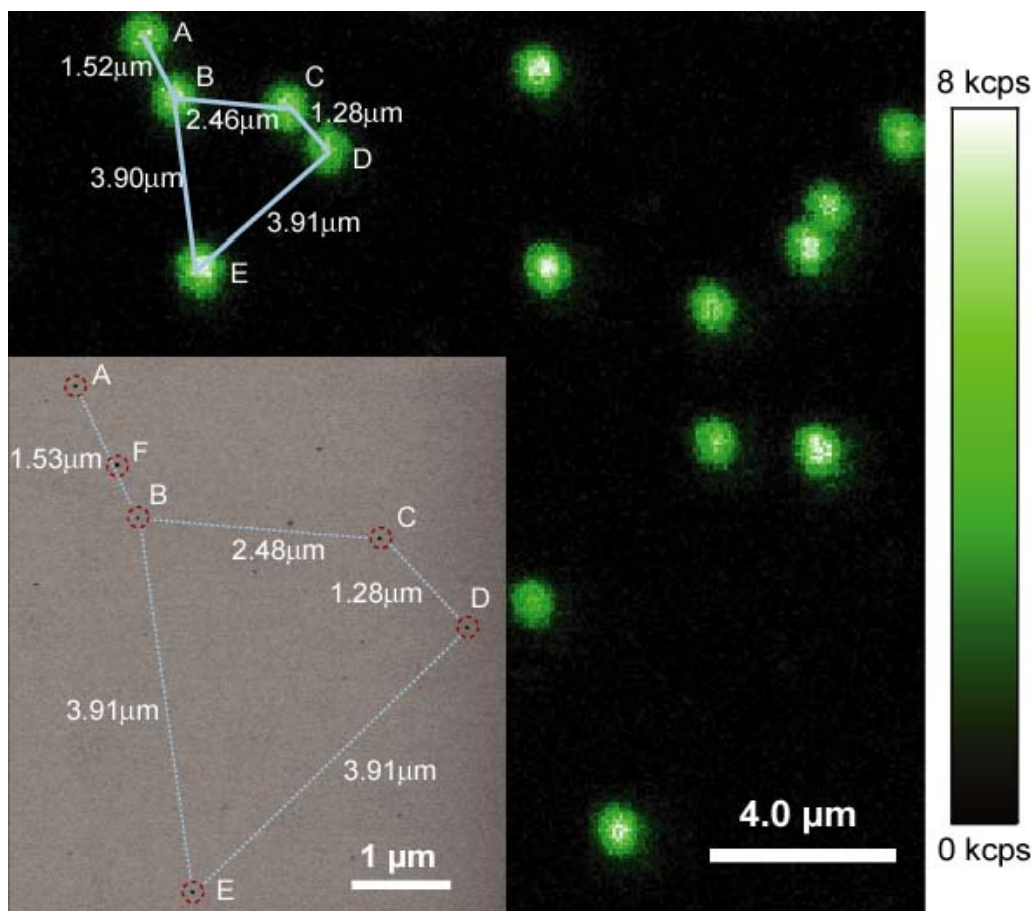


Er, Yb:NaYF Single-particle upconverting luminescence



Mai et al., JPC C, 111,
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Confirmation of “single particle”

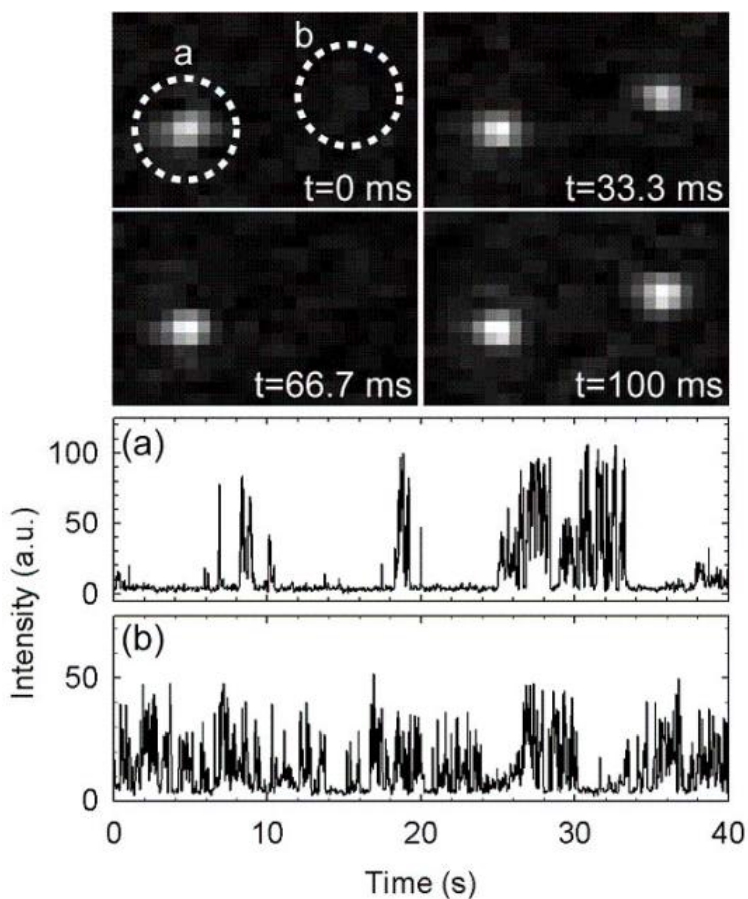


- All particles emit; i.e. – no “dark” particles

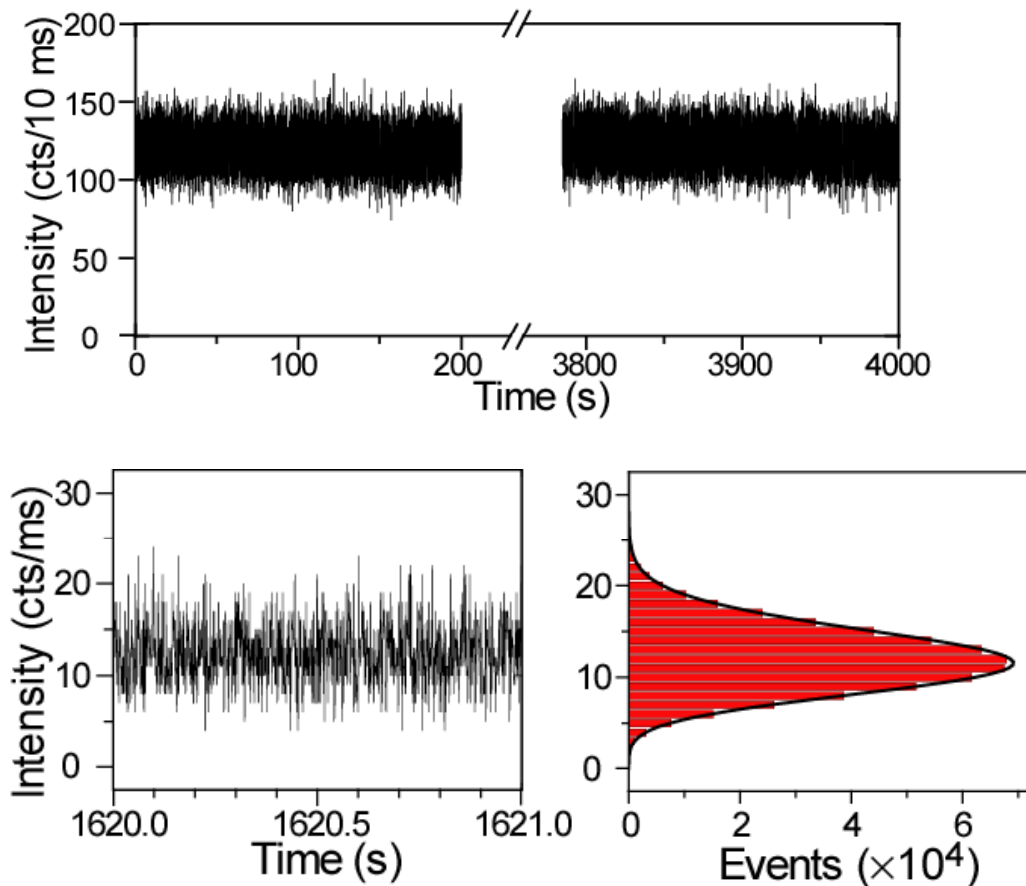
Photostability and Non-blinking



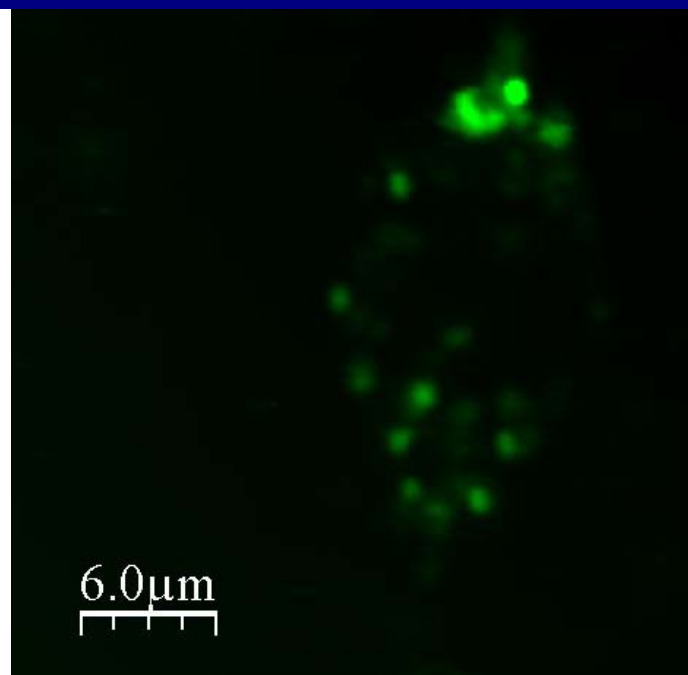
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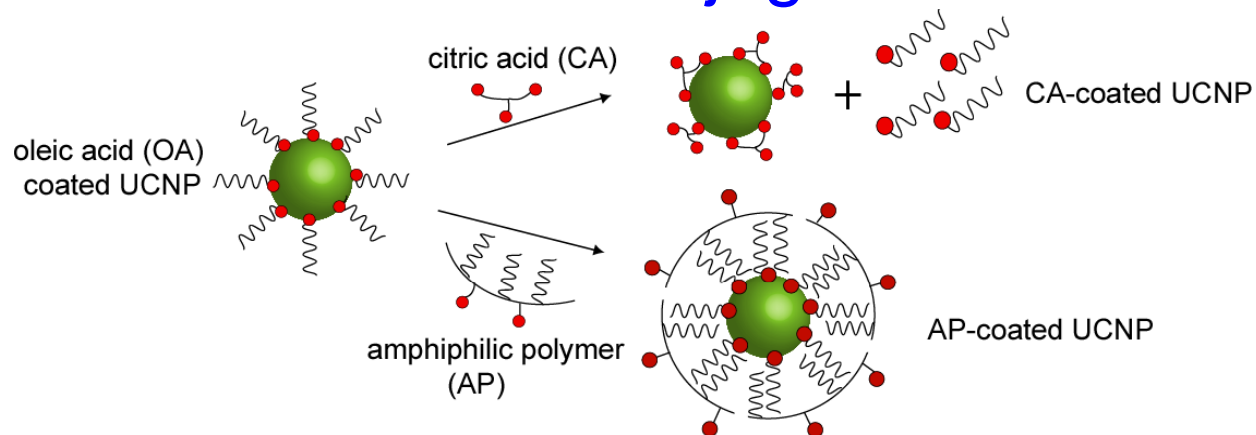
UCNPs



UCNPs as imaging probes in the cell



Surface conjugation



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- Biological Nanostructures
- Organic and Macromolecular Synthesis

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Synthesis and Characterization
of Nanointerfaces



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