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Miniaturisierte Raman-Sensoren zur Überwachung chemischer und biologischer Vorgänge

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Motivation



State of a chemical process, evolution of a biological systems, the metabolism of molecules, etc.







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The Raman effect



















<u>Motivation</u>





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Raman spectrum of a metal organic complex





→ Raman yields molecular fingerprint information









Raman spectroscopy

- High specificity
- Combination with a microscope → high spatial resolution (< 1 µm)
- Minimal sample preparation
- All solvents can be applied (inclusive water)

Spectrometer

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Raman Spectroscopy on Meteorites: Zagami





Surface scans:

- 2,2 x 2,8 mm consisting of 90 x 110 measuring points (saptial resolution 25µm)
- 90 x 90 μm , 35 x 35 points grid, approx 3 μm spatial resolution



Raman Spectroscopy on Meteorites

Apatite



Raman Intensity Whitlockite Pyroxene munnum 1000 500 1500 Wavenumber / cm⁻¹

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Surface Raman plots from Zagami



















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What are now the requirement for Raman spectroscopy being used for mobile sensor (*in situ* planetary science)?

- a small, compact and robust Raman apparatus with an extreme low power consumption but with the performance of a large commercial device
- Spectral resolution between 5 to 8 cm⁻¹, spectral range from 150 up to 4000 cm⁻¹
- minimal sample preparation → roughness of the sample surface should not effect the quality of the Raman spectra to much → autofocus



Miniaturization of Raman spectrometer



Funded by



Excitation: spectrale resolution spectral region: Throughput: from 245 nm to 325 nm 5 cm⁻¹ @ 360 nm (0,065 nm) up to 12000 cm⁻¹, 245 nm ... 360 nm max. 50 %









OMIB NIR spectral sensor





Miniaturized UV-resonance Raman spectroscopy





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Special properties of Raman spectroscopy



- high specifity
- good spatial resolution (micro Raman)
- minimal sample preparation
- all solvents can be used



but:

- biological but also other samples often show high fluorescence
- biological molecules appear often at low concentration level

One Solution is for example:

- → SERS (surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy)
- →Resonance Raman spectroscopy

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SERS quenches fluorescence









SERS improves the detection limit: Adenine





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How does SERS work? The SERS EM enhancement







SERS EM enhancement – coupling



Field enhancement





J. Kottmann *et al.*, IFH Field Theory Group, ETH Zürich

SERS: Raman spectroscopy utilizes optical properties of nanostructures



SERS EM enhancement





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Setup and Cell design for reproducible SERS







Measuring_principle







Spectrum A is measured in the separation medium tetradecane and Spectrum B in the aqueous droplet

Alternating peaks, showing the integrated Raman intensity in the wavenumber region between 1130 and 1217 cm⁻¹



Concentration_dependence_



Spectra of different crystal violet concentrations ranging from $1*10^{-5}$ M (A) to $1*10^{-6}$ M (I) are measured





linear dependence of the integrated Raman intensity against the concentration





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Identification of single microorganisms by micro-Raman spectroscopy within the research project OMIB – Online Monitoring und Identification of Bioaerosols























Motivation - Bioaerosol



Dandruff, Pollen Grit, 10 µm etc. Allergies, Diseases, Food Spoilage, etc. Bacteria 1 µm



10 um







Motivation – Bacteria investigations





Hospitals:

- Formation of anti-biotic resistant bacteria "super bacteria"
- Pharmaceutical production:
 - High cost if contaminations are found in products or the assembly line
- Food industry:
 - Limited life time of products because of accelerate food spoilage





Goal / Vision:

Implementation of a real time method for the identification of bacteria (biotic contaminations) without a cultivation step on a single cell level.



OMIB in the field of clean room productions



Why clean room?

Bacteria

Bacillus pumilus (2) Bacillus sphaericus (2) Bacillus subtilis (2) Micrococcus luteus (2) Micrococcus Iylae (2) Staphylococcus aureus (3) Staphylococcus cohnii (4) Staphylococcus epidermidis (3) Staphylococcus hominis (2) Staphylococcus warneri (2) Escherichia coli (4) Pseudomonas aeruginosa (2)

Yeast

Candida albicans (2) Rhodotorula mucilaginosa (1) Saccharomyces cerevisiae (4)

Fungi

Aspergillus niger (2)

→ Limited amount of species needed to be identified!!!!



2500 2000 1500 Wavenumber / cm

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System integration





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Identification of a single microorganism (532 nm)



→ Data analysis by means of support vector machine

| | Number of strains | Number of spectra | Number of wrong classified strain spectra | Recognition rate for strains (%) | Number of wrong classified species spectra | Recognition rate for species (%) |
|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| B. pumilus | 2 | 100 | 19 | 80.5 | 7 | 92.7 |
| B. sphaericus | 2 | 95 | 17 | 81.8 | 11 | 88.2 |
| B. subtilis | 2 | 348 | 12 | 94.0 | 8 | 96.6 |
| E. coli | 7 | 666 | 178 | 73.1 | 8 | 99.1 |
| M. luteus | 2 | 667 | 10 | 93.5 | 7 | 96.6 |
| M. lylae | 2 | 40 | 1 | 97.5 | 1 | 97.5 |
| S. cohnii | 4 | 260 | 20 | 92.2 | 11 | 95.8 |
| S. epidermidis | 2 | 879 | 9 | 97.6 | 9 | 97.6 |
| S. warneri | 2 | 138 | 11 | 92.1 | 4 | 97.2 |
| S. cerevisiae | 3 | 42 | 7 | 80.7 | 5 | 86.9 |
| Average recognition rate | | 3235 | | 85.6 | | 95.4 |

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Identification of an independent dataset

| Strain | Strain Number | Spectra Correctly | Identified as |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--|
| Bacillus subtilis DSM 347 | 8 | 8 | |
| Bacillus sphaericus DSM 28 | 8 | 8 | |
| Bacillus sphaericus DSM 396 | 7 | 7 | |
| Escherichia coli DSM 423 | 7 | 7 | |
| Escherichia coli DSM 498 | 7 | 7 | |
| Escherichia coli DSM 1058 | 20 | 17 | E. coli DSM 499, E. coli DSM 423, E. coli DSM 2769 |
| Micrococcus luteus DSM 20030 | 6 | 6 | |
| Micrococcus Iylae DSM 20315 | 5 | 5 | |
| Micrococcus Iylae DSM 20318 | 5 | 5 | |
| Staphylococcus cohnii DSM 6669 | 8 | 8 | |
| Staphylococcus cohnii DSM 6718 | 5 | 5 | |
| Staphylococcus cohnii DSM 6719 | 5 | 5 | |
| Staphylococcus cohnii DSM 20260 | 7 | 7 | |
| Staphylococcus epidermidis RP 62A | 7 | 7 | |
| Staphylococcus epidermidis 195 | 20 | 18 | S. warner, E. coli |
| Staphylococcus warneri DSM 20036 | 5 | 5 | |
| Identification | 130 | 125 | |

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Conclusion / Outlook

In-situ-Raman-Spectroscopy:

- Identification of the chemical composition of
 - inorganic / mineralogical
 - organic, biological materials
- \bullet spatially resolved investigations in the area of ~1 μm
 - identification of inclusions &
 - single microparticles
 - Raman-mapping → <u>mineralogical</u> map
- minimal sample preparation
- no limitation for a state of aggregation

UV excitation

- → minimization of fluorescence
- → significant increase of quantum yield (ω^4)
- → increased spatial resolution for Raman mapping experiments

SERS technique

- → avoid fluorescence
- → increased sensitivity

Raman spectroscopy Powerful technique, which can easily be miniaturized!





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