

Nanomaterials by Design: The Next Generation of Cold Spray Precursors

Monodispersed Nanomaterials
Femtosecond Laser Energy Deposition
Spatially-Modulated Nanoparticle Nucleation
Filament Reactor
Shaped Pulses for Timed Energy Deposition
Making Snowballs



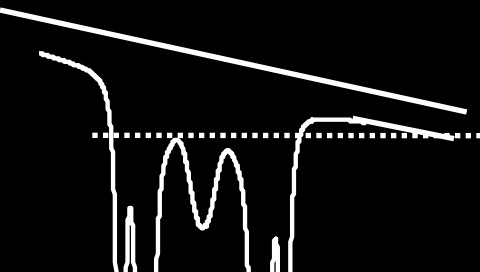
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Temple University Nanomanufacturing by Design Effort for ARL

We offer new enabling technologies developed at Temple University based on nonequilibrium energy deposition from femtosecond laser pulses into precursor materials in the solid, liquid or gas phase. The technologies include:

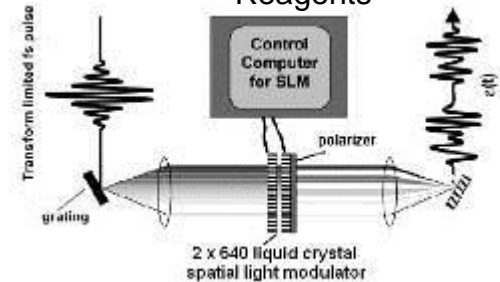
I, Shaped laser pulse reactor capable of preparing millions of different high intensity multifeature laser pulses optimized with genetic algorithms to control nanoparticle size.

II, A laser filamentation reactor that creates ultrahigh intensities over meter path lengths for potential high volume processing.

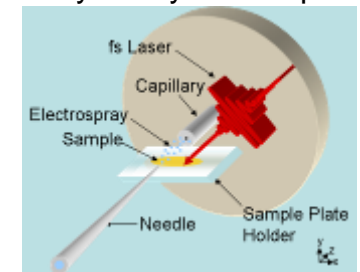
In combination with Nanomaterials Company we seek to determine the genome for nanomaterials manufacturing by performing hundreds of thousands of processing experiments under closed loop control at 1 KHz speeds. The outcomes of the experiments will be used to create the road map of the processing rules allowing the efficient design of new materials with desired characteristics.

In combination with WPI we will engineer new reactor designs to produce nanomaterials in high yield and quantities for subsequent materials processing technologies.

Laser Pulse Shaper Creates Million of Potential Photonic Reagents



Intense Pulse Shapes Interact with Precursor to Form Nanomaterial as Analyzed by Mass Spec



Laser Pulse Filaments to Form Extended High Intensity Light String for Large Volume Nano Processing



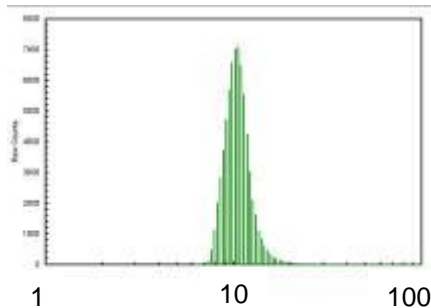
1 meter

Existing Technology

Thermal process

Statistical size distribution

Size effects blurred

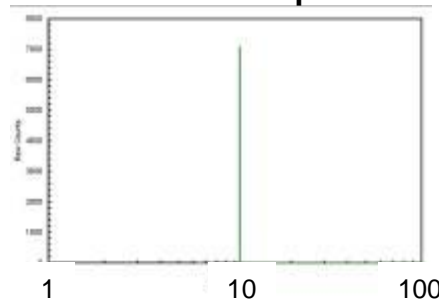


Nonthermal process

Control at the atomic level

Nonstatistical size distribution

Precision size = precision size effects

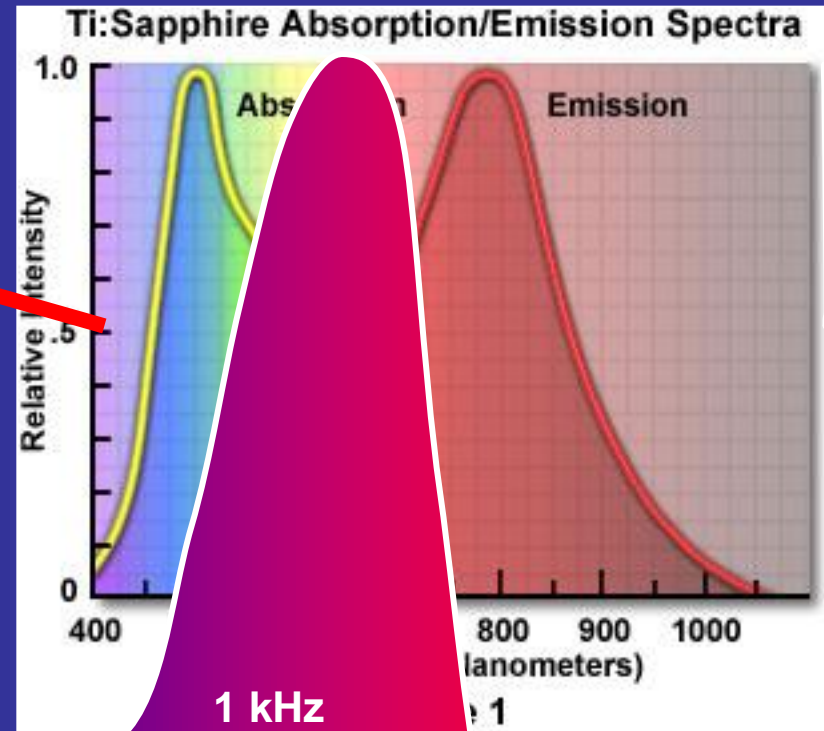


A Primer on Femtosecond Laser Technology

Oscillator



20fs, 84 MHz, 5 nJ



100 ps

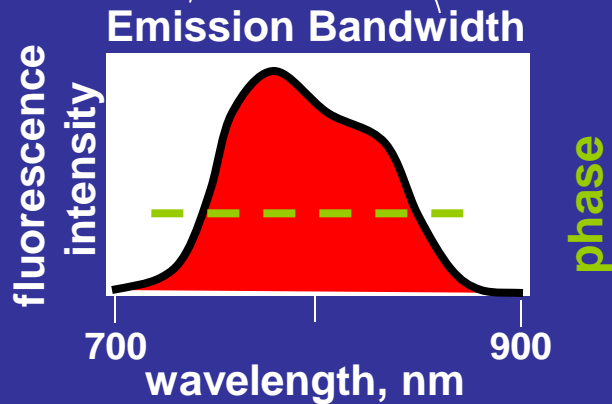
Stretch
~ 5000 X

1 kHz
5 mJ
100 ps

Amplify
 10^6 X

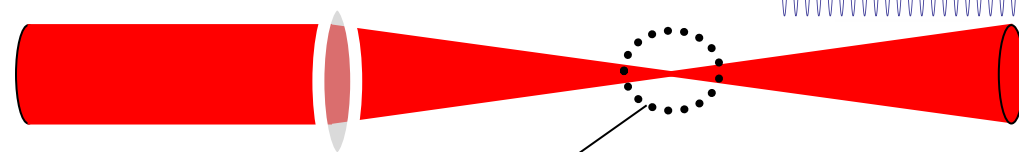
1 KHz
2.5 mJ
30 fs

Compress
~ 5000 X

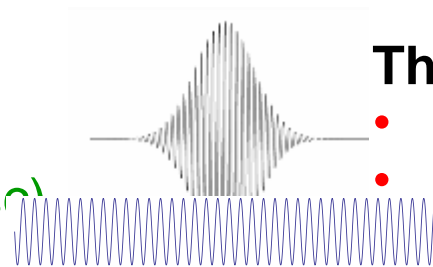


Overview of Ultrafast, Strong Field Molecule Interactions

Titanium sapphire regenerative amplifiers: 1-10 mJ, 40 fs, 20 oscillations of laser (ns ~ 10^6 oscillations)



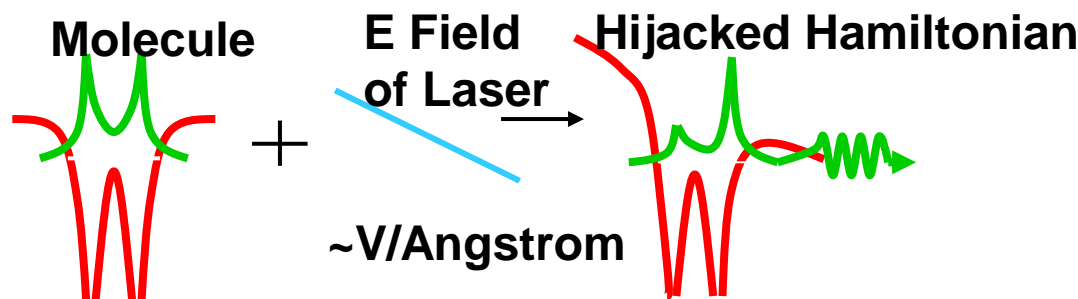
1 mJ, 50 fs focused to 100 micron spot:
 photon density $\sim 10^9$ photons/wavelength³
 electric field strength ~ 6 Volts per Angstrom
 intensity $\sim 10^{13}$ W cm⁻² (vs 10^6 W cm⁻² for ns).



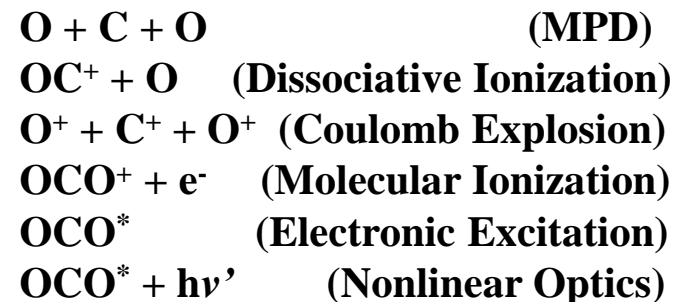
The Science:

- Strong Field Chemistry
- Strong Field Physics
- Impulsive Raman Sensing
- Pulse Shaping to Generate N Focal Spots
- Bio-Molecular Microscope
- Time-Dependent Rabi Oscillations
- Remote Detection Technologies
- Hamiltonian Control
- Dimensionality Reduction

The Laser Molecule

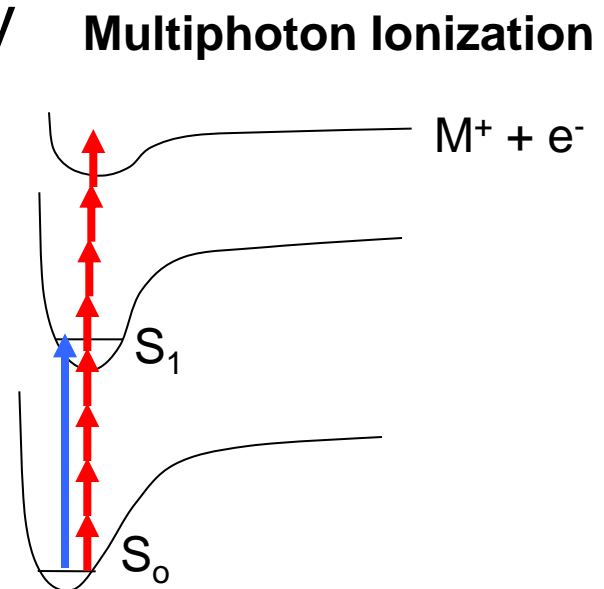
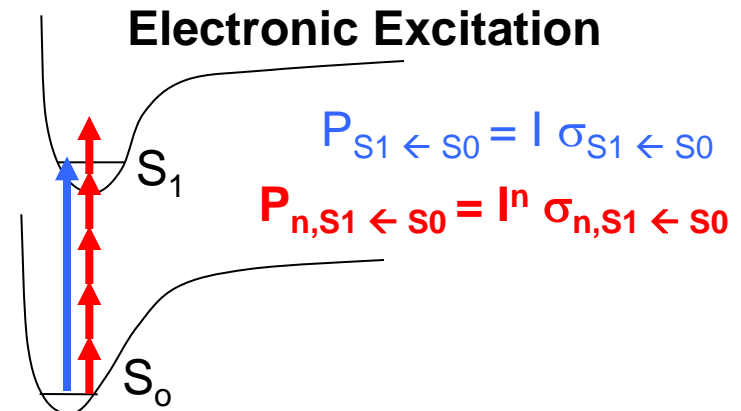
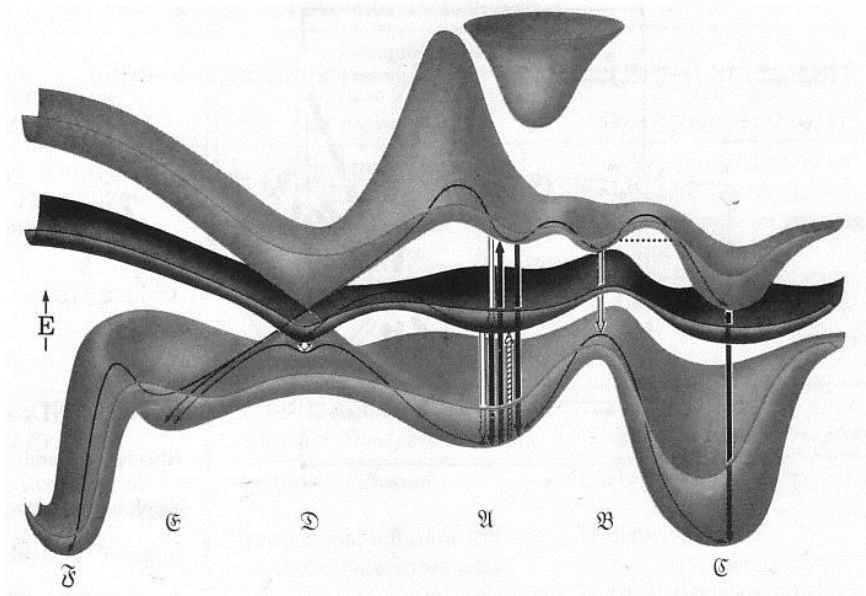


The Products:



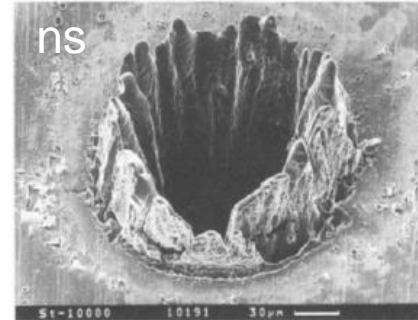
Femtosecond Laser Excitation at $10^{13} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$

- Couples into all molecules via facile multiphoton excitation
- Leads to multiphoton ionization and bond dissociation
- Potential for controlling reactivity

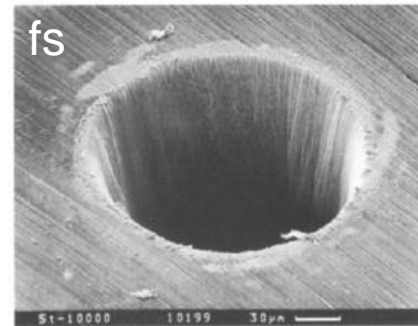


Femtosecond Laser Excitation Leads to Universal Vaporization through Nonresonant Excitation

- Ultrashort pulse durations cause less thermal damage to sample and less fragmentation.
- Femtosecond laser couples into any system through resonant and non-resonant mechanisms.

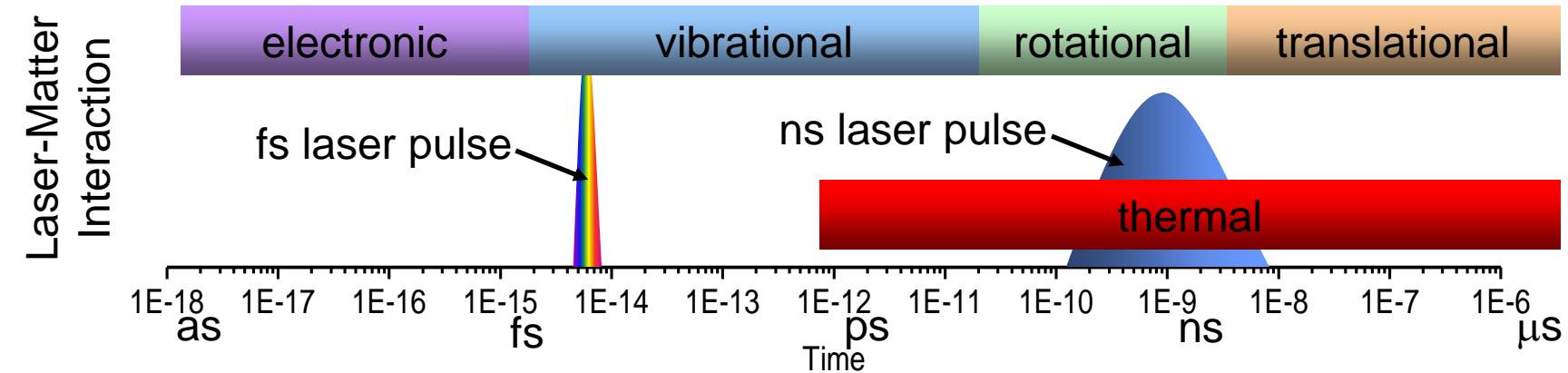


SEM of 100 μm thick steel foil after exposure to 3.3 ns, 1 mJ, $F = 4.2 \text{ J/cm}^2$ laser pulses at 780 nm



SEM of 100 μm thick steel foil after exposure to 200 fs, 120 μJ, $F = 0.5 \text{ J/cm}^2$ laser pulses at 780 nm

B.N. Chichkov, et al., *Appl. Phys. A.* (1996) 63, 109-115



Laser Filaments Form Near Single Cycle Pulses

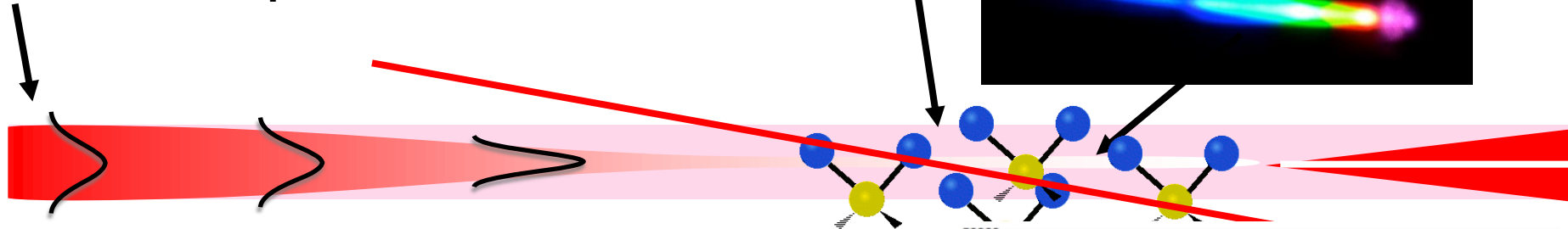
Pre-Filament

- Kerr lensing \rightarrow high intensity
- High intensity \rightarrow self phase modulation

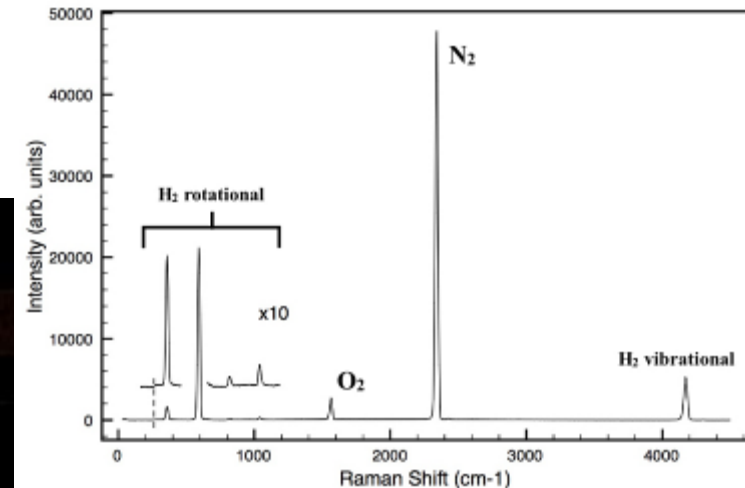
Filament

- High intensity \rightarrow ionization ($10^{16} \text{ e}^- \text{ cm}^{-3}$)
- Ionization \rightarrow intensity clamping $10^{13} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$
- Spatial temporal focusing \rightarrow self shortening
- Self shortening \rightarrow $< 10 \text{ fs}$ pulses

2 mJ 45 fs laser pulse

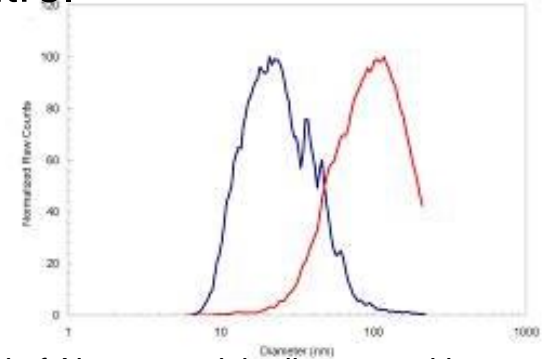
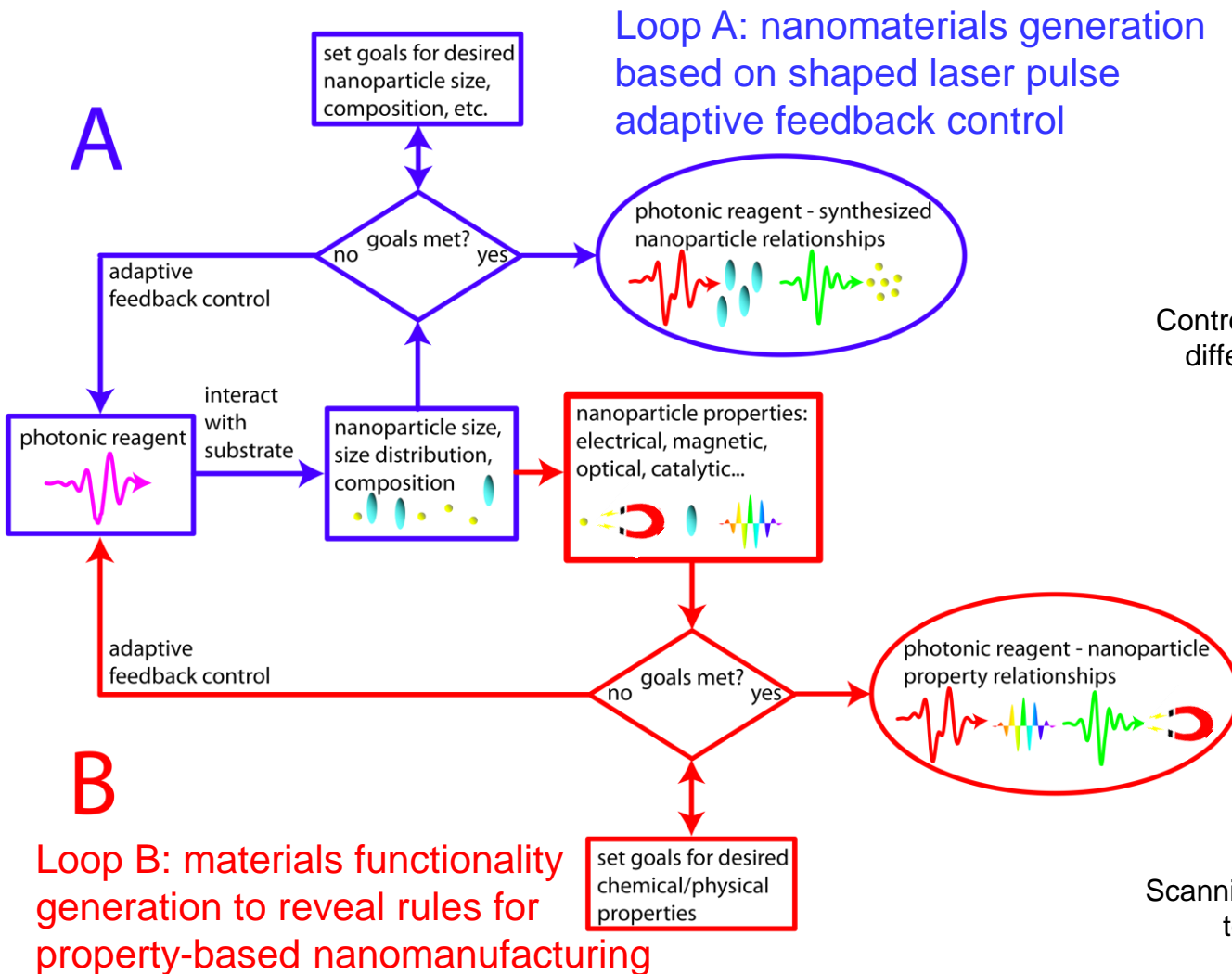


Short intense pulse provides impulsive rotational and vibrational excitation



Nanomanufacturing by Design with Shaped Femtosecond Laser Pulses

Shaped laser pulse nanomaterials reactor for determining the rules for femtosecond nanoprocessing using adaptive feedback control

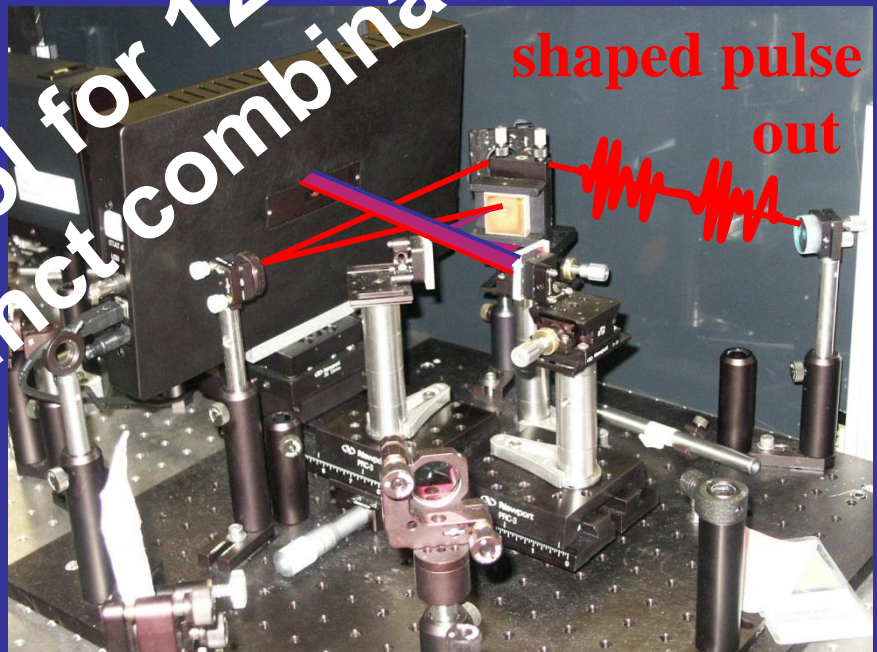
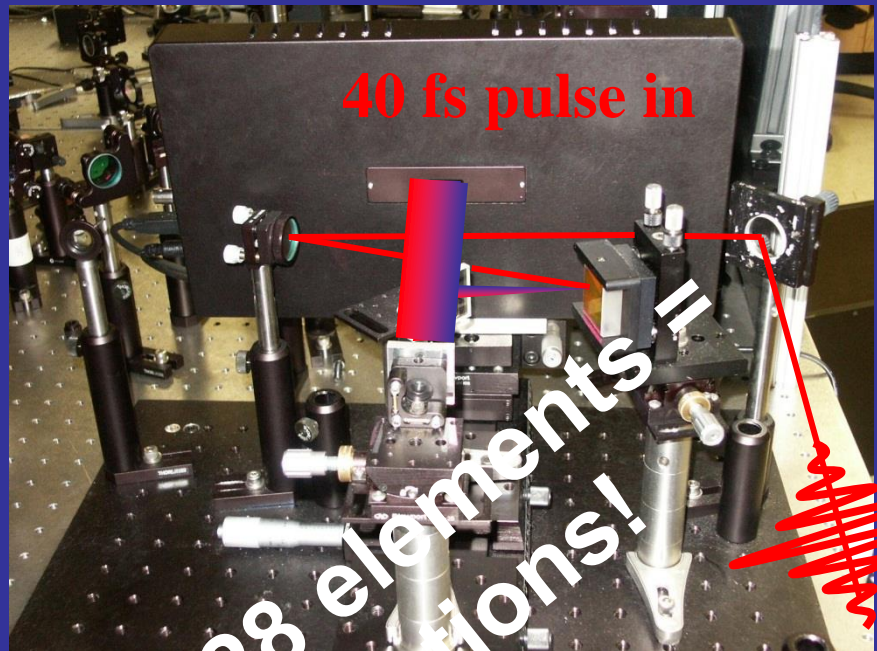
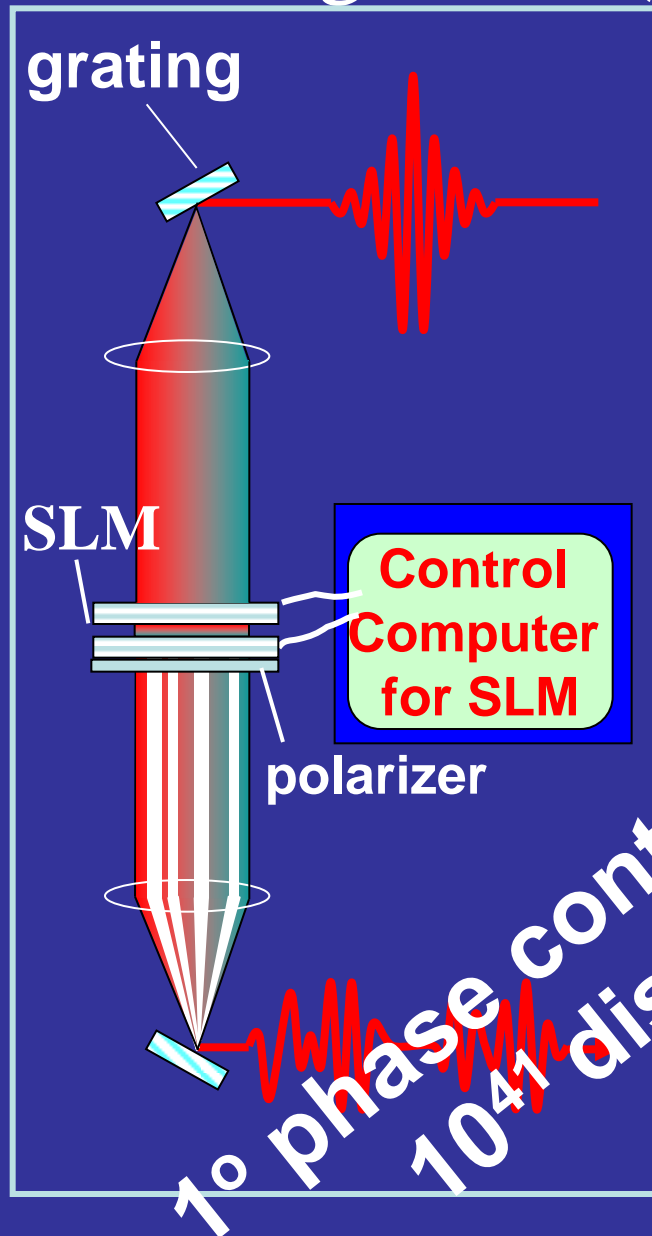


Control of Al nanoparticle diameter with two different femtosecond laser pulse shapes

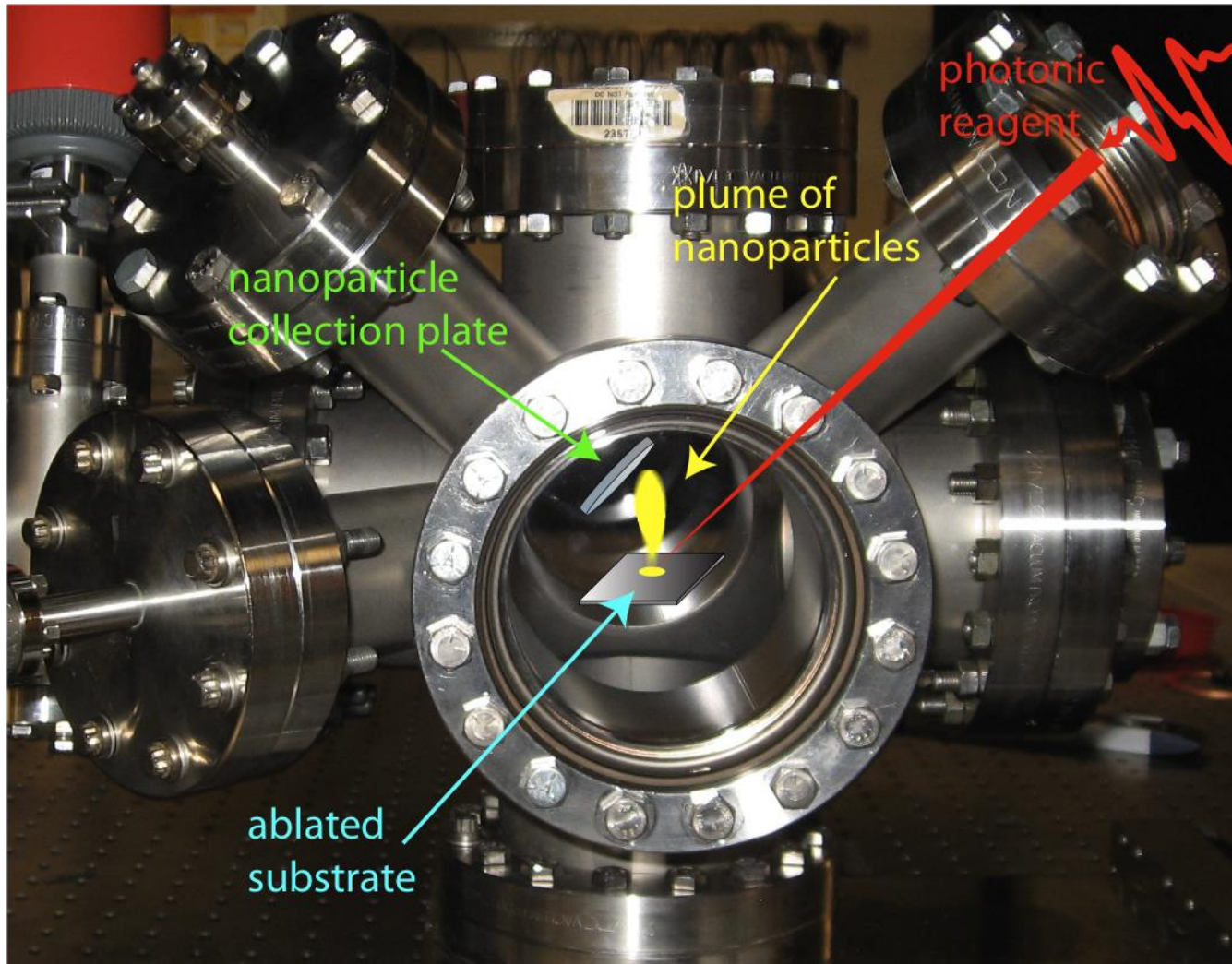


Scanning mobility nanoparticle size analyzer to generate feedback signal for control

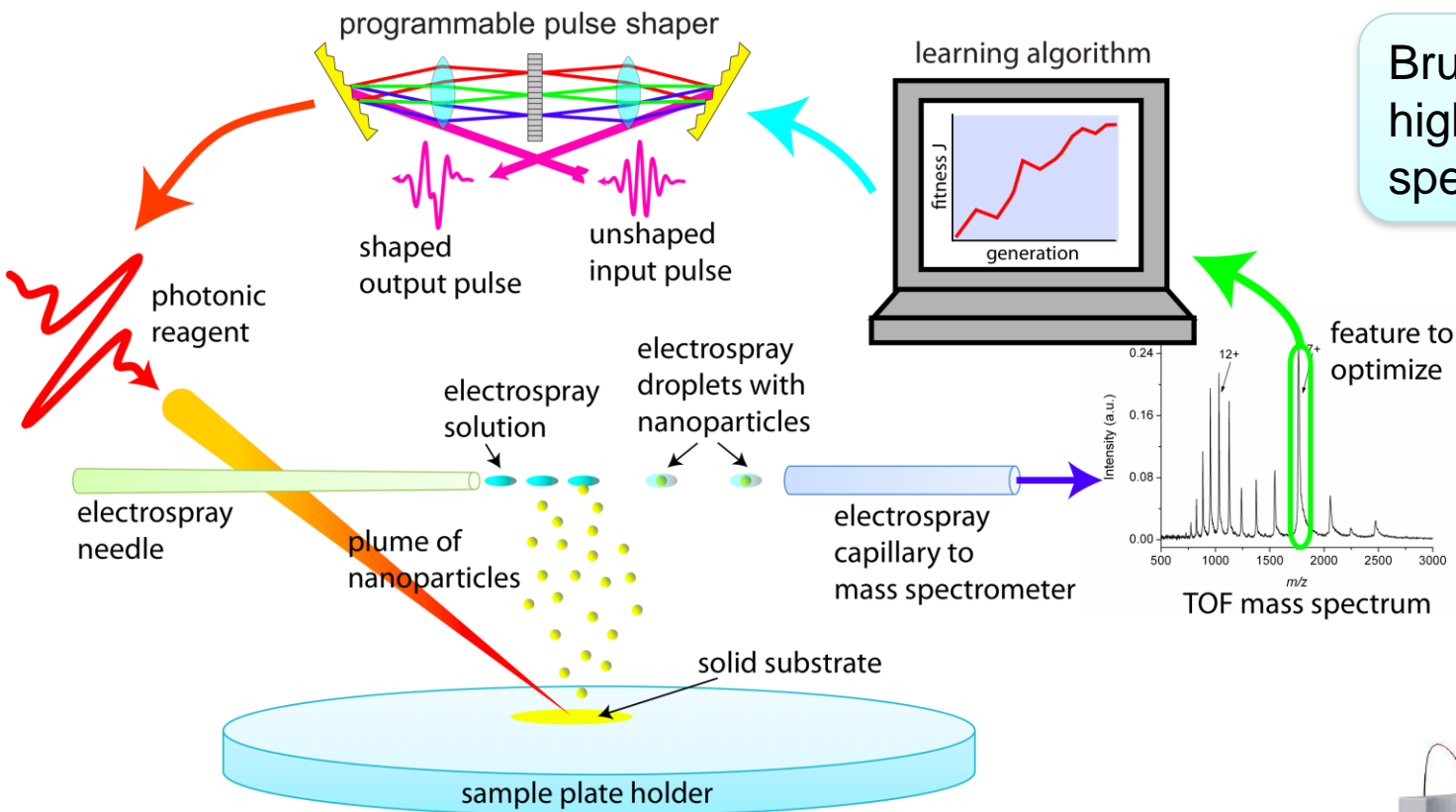
Photonic Reagents, $\epsilon(t)$



Nanomaterials by design reaction chamber



Laser Electrospray Mass Spectrometry for Feedback Control of Nanoparticle Synthesis



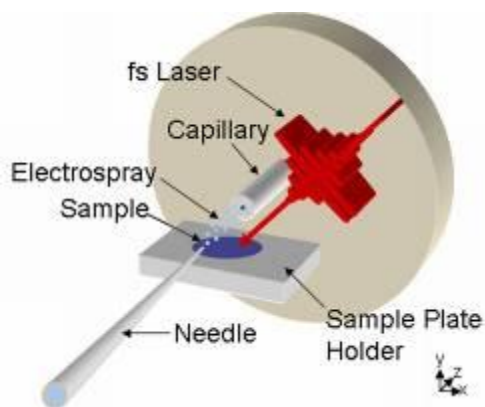
Bruker **microTOF** for high-resolution mass spectral analysis

microTOF specs

- mass resolution $>16,000\text{amu}$
- mass accuracy $<2\text{ppm}$



Laser Electrospray Mass Spectrometry System

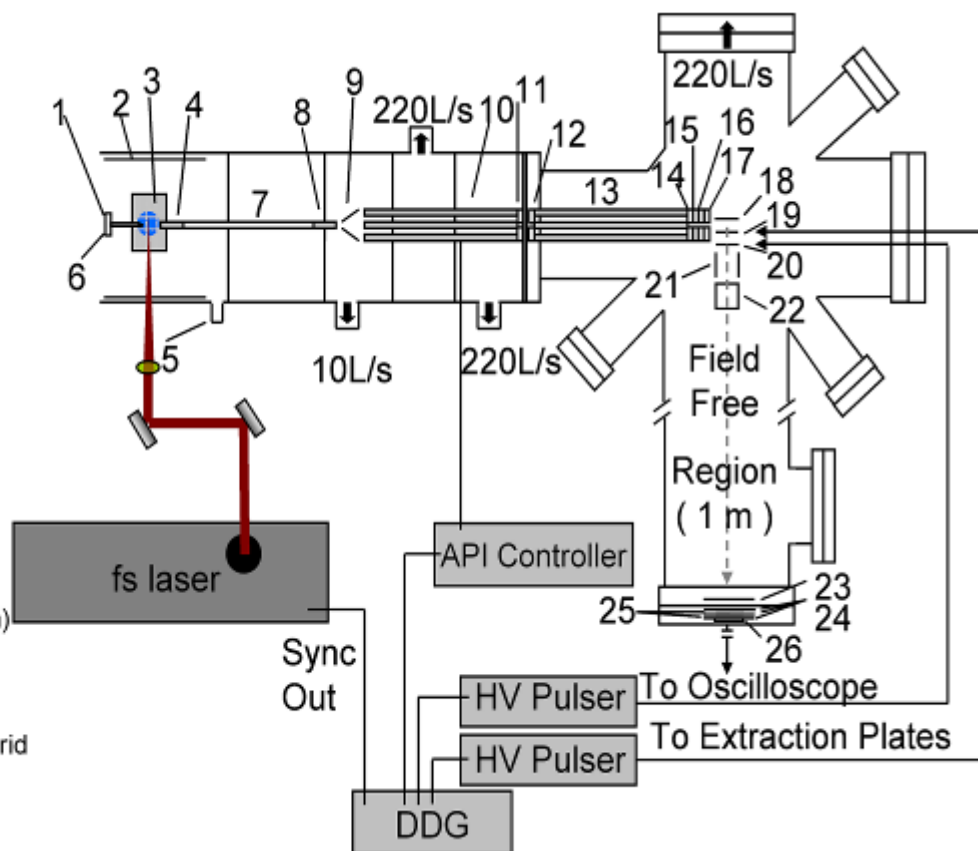


focus 1 mJ, 50fs
pulse to 150 micron
diameter spot
 $10^{13} \text{ W cm}^{-2}$

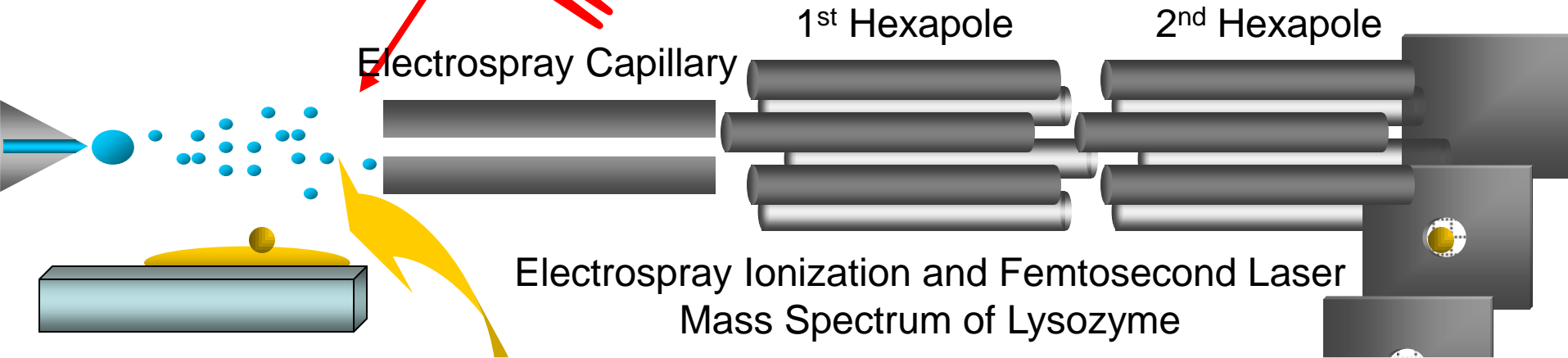
Laser-ESI Source

Pulsed Extraction TOF-MS

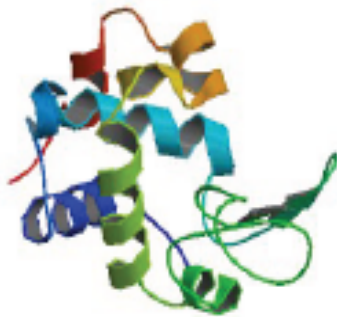
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2. Source Chamber Electrode
3. Sample Plate
4. Capillary Electrode
5. Dry Nitrogen
6. Nebulizing Nitrogen
7. Glass Capillary
8. Capillary Electrode
9. Skimmer
10. Hexapole Ion Guide
11. DC Lens
12. DC Lens
13. RF Hexapole Ion Guide
14. DC Lens
15. DC Lens
16. X Steering Plates
17. Ground Plate
18. Extraction Plate (mesh)
19. Acceleration Plate (mesh)
20. Ground Plate (mesh)
21. X Steering Plates
22. Y Steering Plates
23. MCP Entrance Screen Grid
24. MCP Bias Plates
25. Microchannel Plates
26. Anode



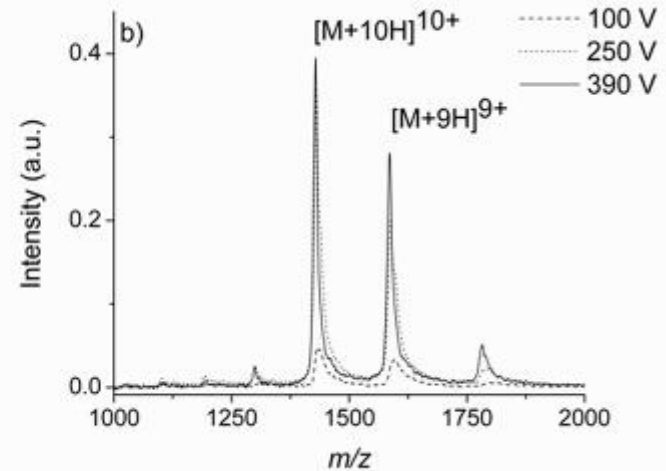
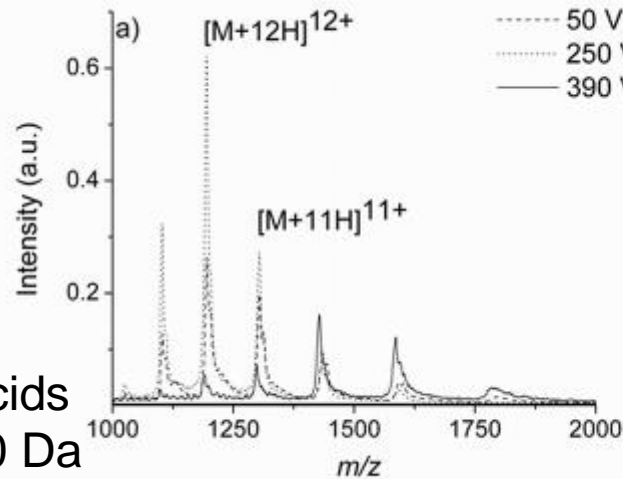
Femtosecond Non-Resonant Laser Vaporization of Protein Films Provides Universal Analysis



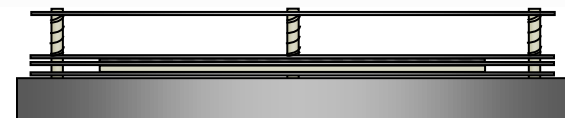
Electrospray Ionization and Femtosecond Laser
Mass Spectrum of Lysozyme



Lysozyme 129 Amino Acids
molecular weight 14,300 Da
20 basic AA, 20 acidic AA



No Matrix, Nonresonant Desorption



Detector