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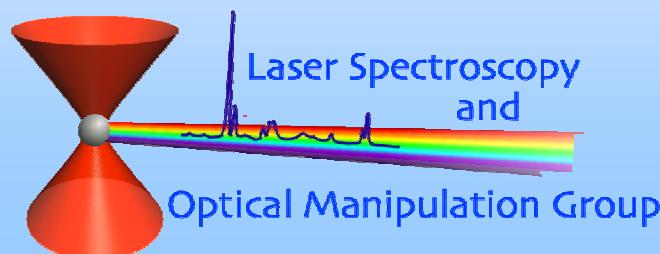
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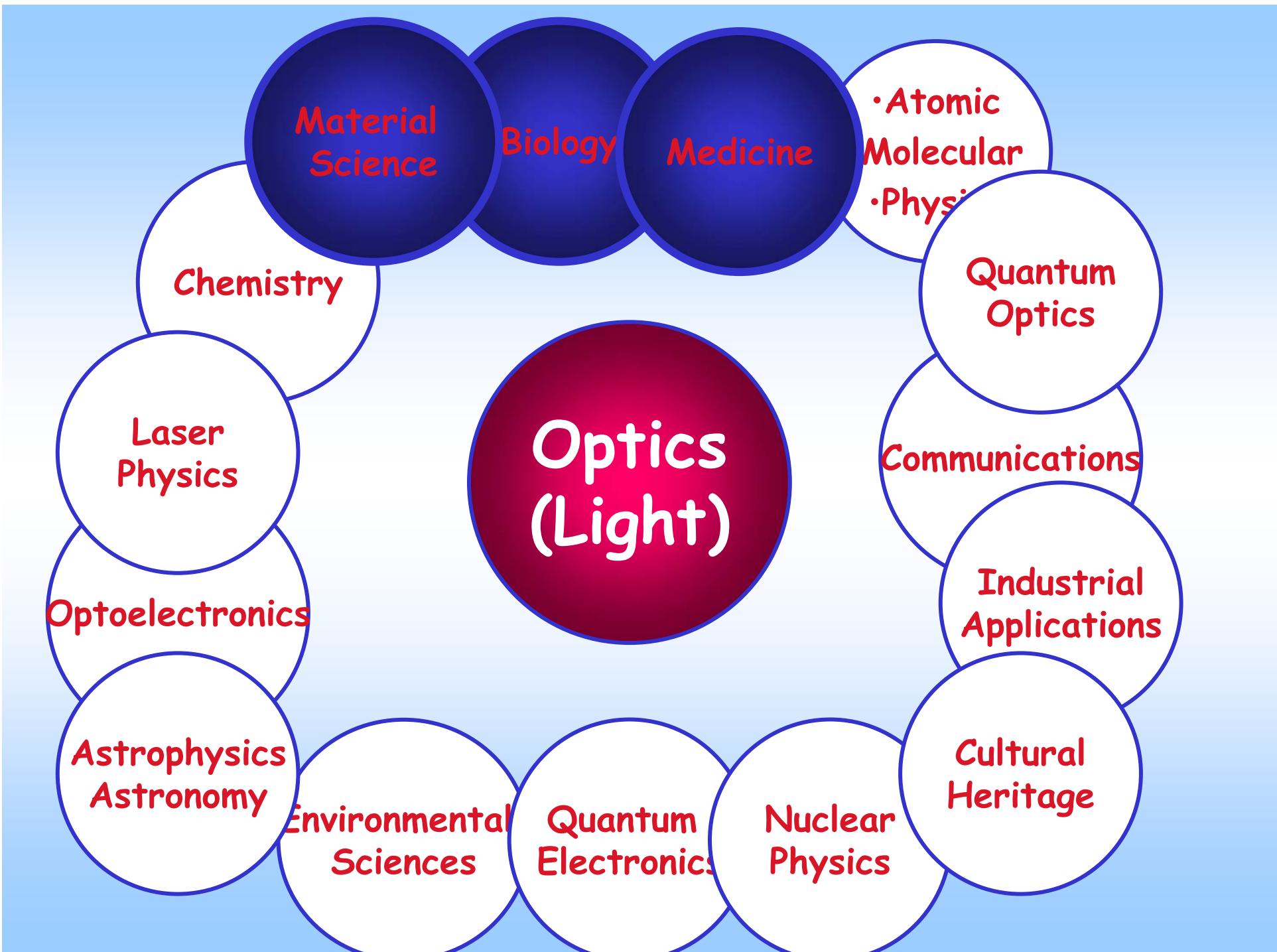


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Analisi chimica e strutturale di materiali su scala
micro e nano-metrica
mediante pinzette ottiche





1. Micro-reologia di mezzi complessi (VISCOLEASTICITA')

scala mesoscopica: intermedia tra la scala macroscopica
e quella molecolare

2. Analisi Raman di singole particelle

scala molecolare

Rheology

Science of the deformations: it studies the relationship between strain ε and stress τ .

A real fluid is usually viscoelastic

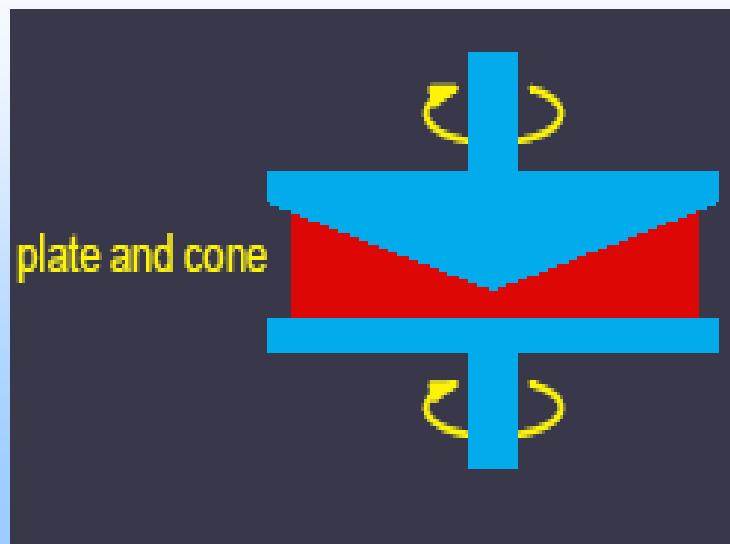
$$\tau(t) = \varepsilon_0 \cdot G'(\omega) \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t) + \varepsilon_0 \cdot G''(\omega) \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t)$$



Elastic modulus



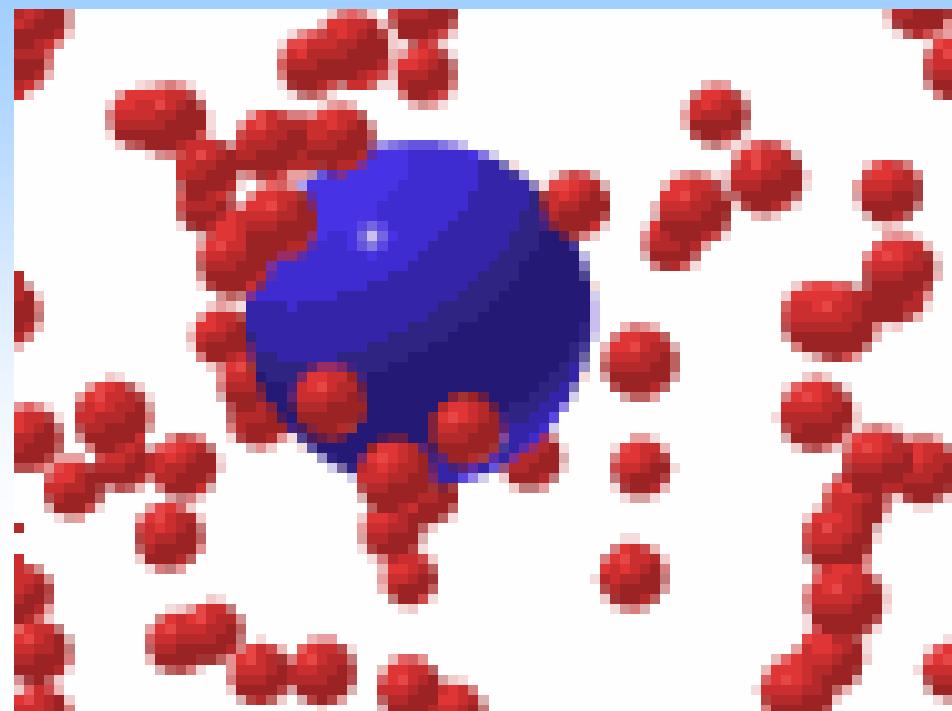
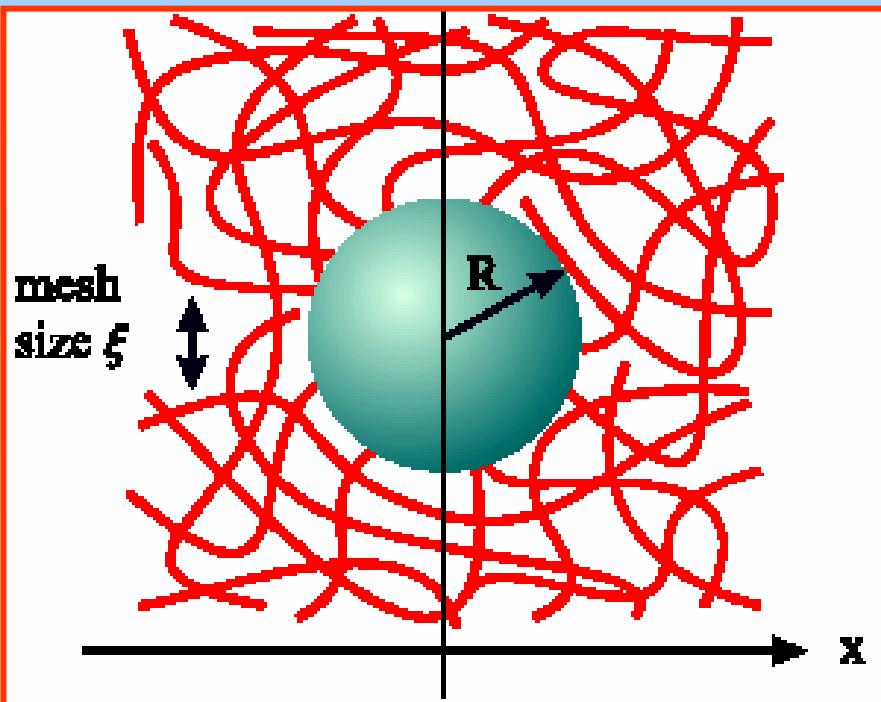
Viscous modulus



Macro-rheology

- ✓ Bulk measurements
- ✓ Low frequency range (0-10 Hz)
- ✓ Large amount of material (few cc)

Micro-reologia



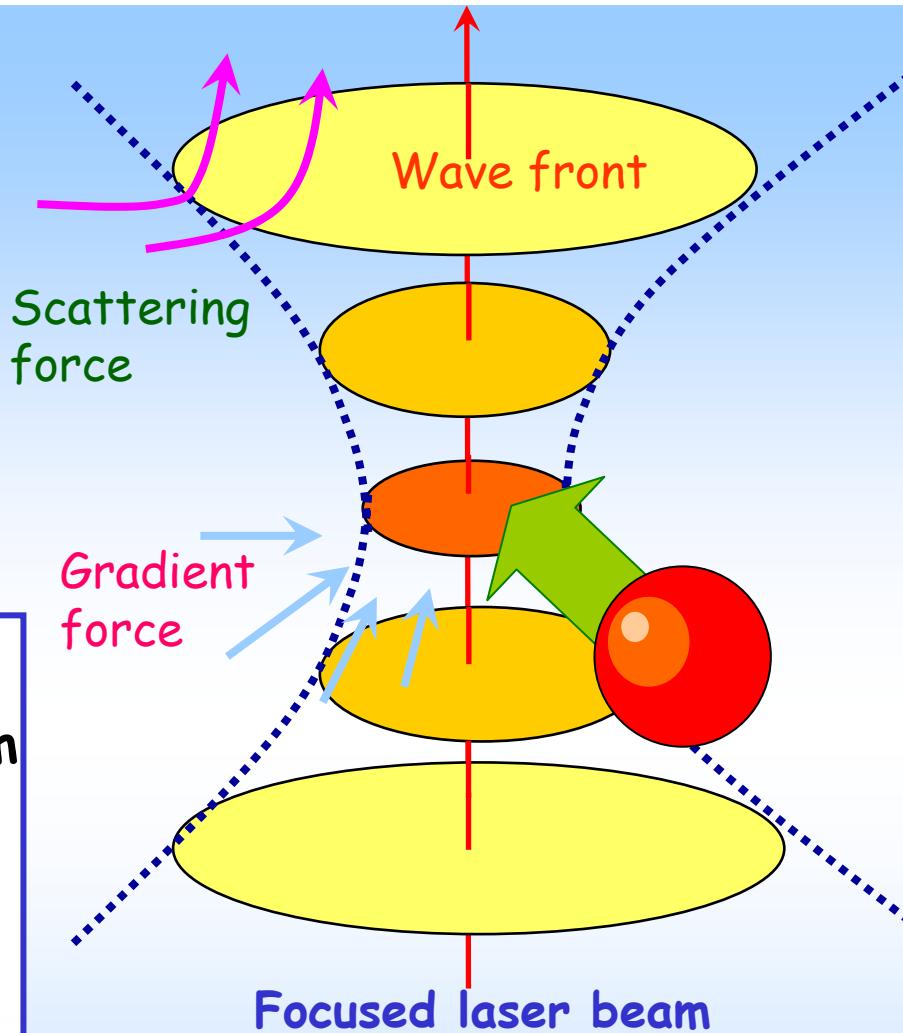
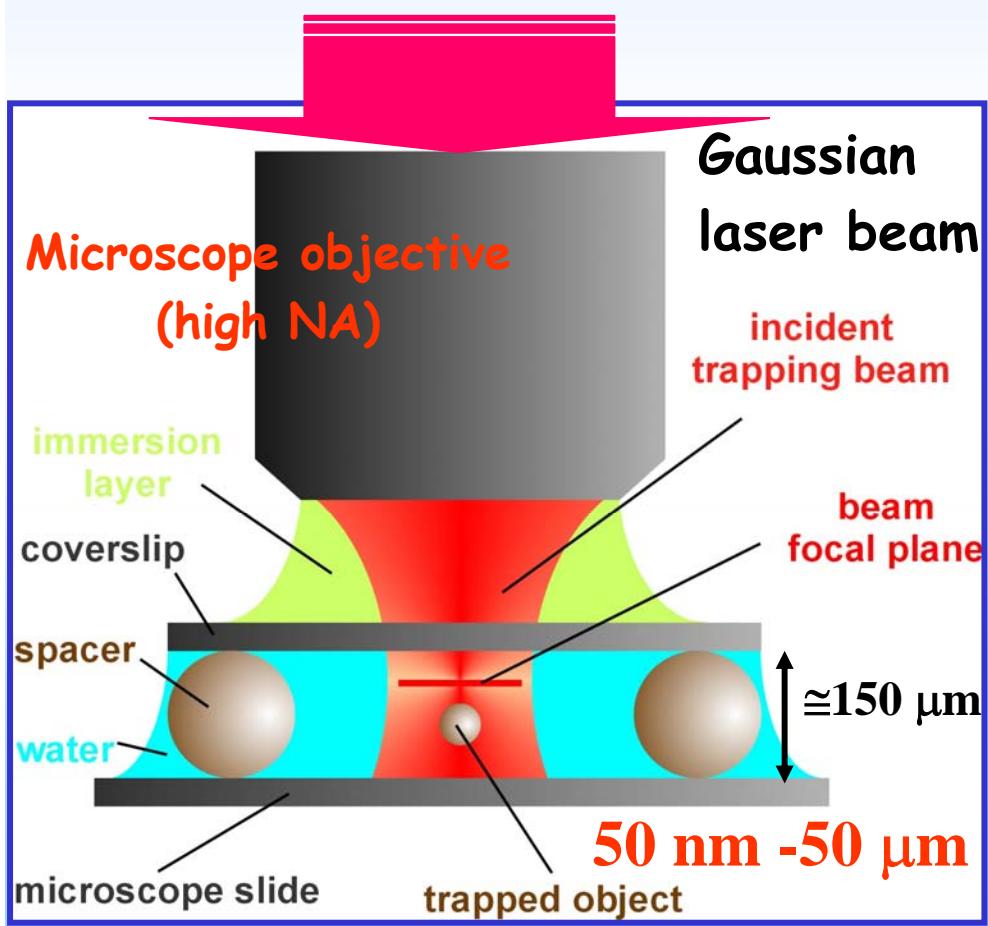
Advantages:

- ✓ Microscopic scale samples
- ✓ Micrometric lengths
- ✓ Study inhomogeneities in complex fluids
- ✓ Study small samples (biological materials)
- ✓ High frequencies (0-1 MHz)
- ✓ Probe scale dependent materials properties
- ✓ Phase transitions (sol-gel)
- ✓ Anisotropic fluids

Effetti meccanici della luce



✓ Johannes Kepler (1571)



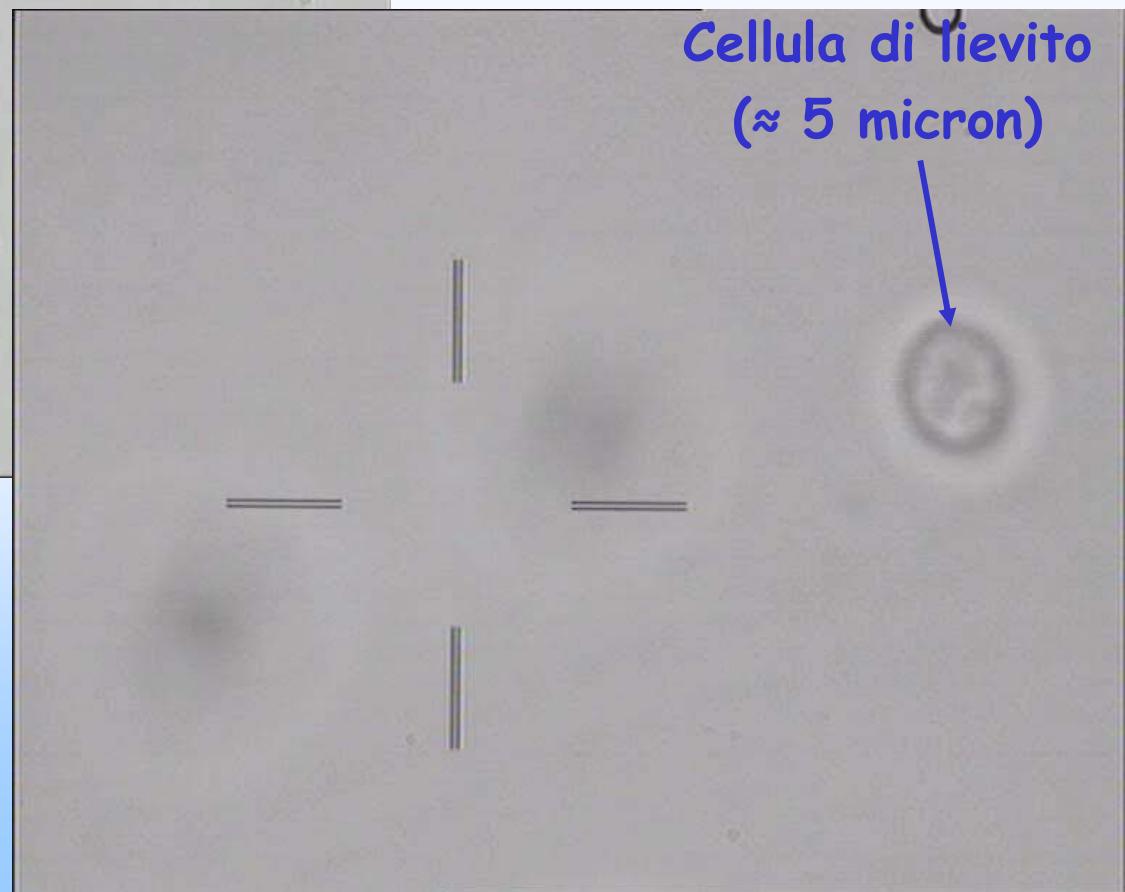
$$F_i = -k_i r_i \quad i = x, y, z$$

force: 10 fm - 200 pN

Sferetta di polistirene
(\approx 1 micron)



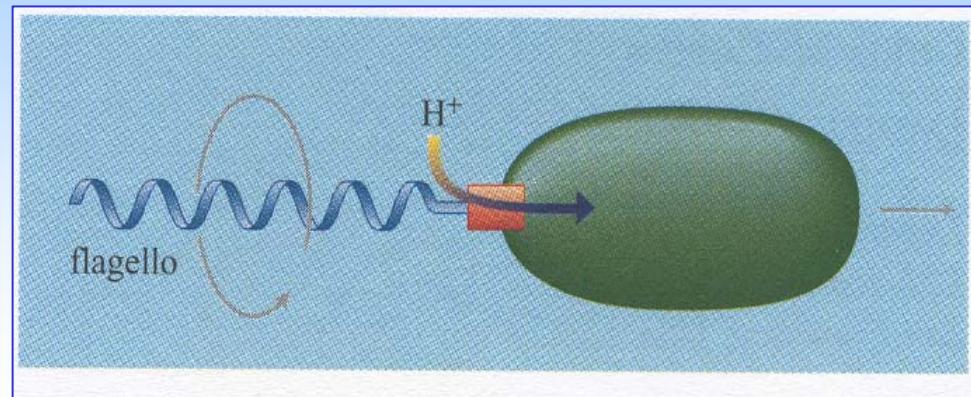
Cellula di lievito
(\approx 5 micron)



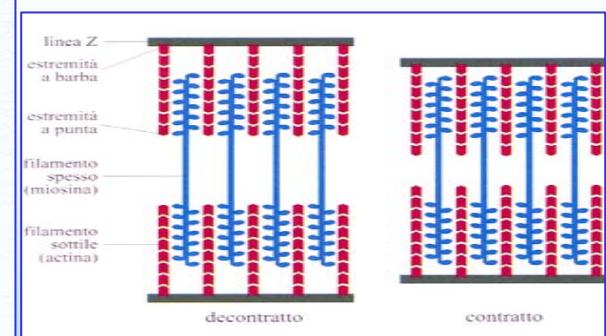
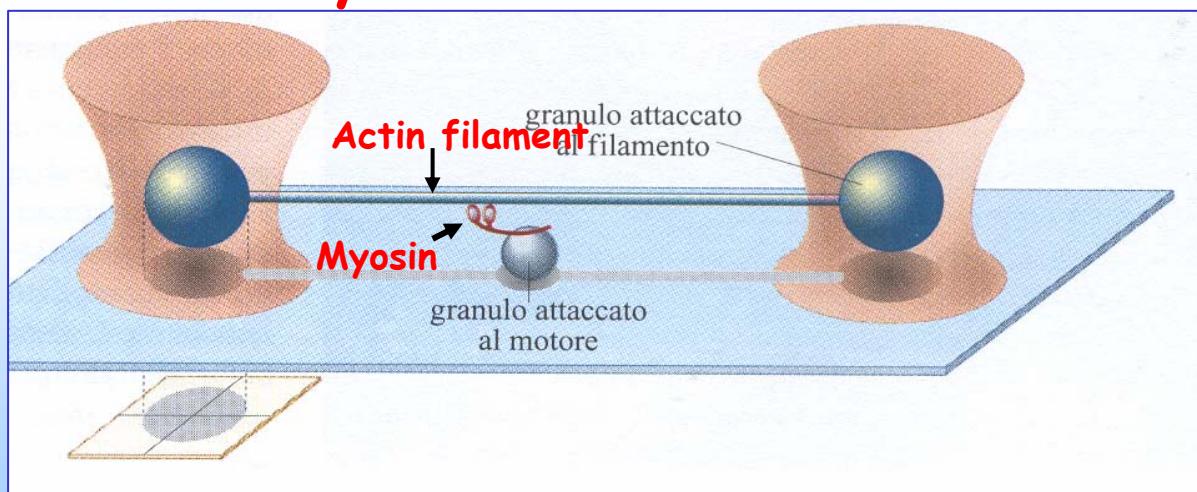


Molecular motors

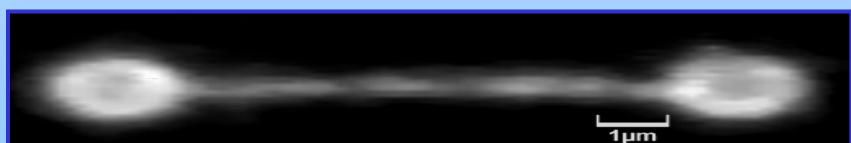
flagella



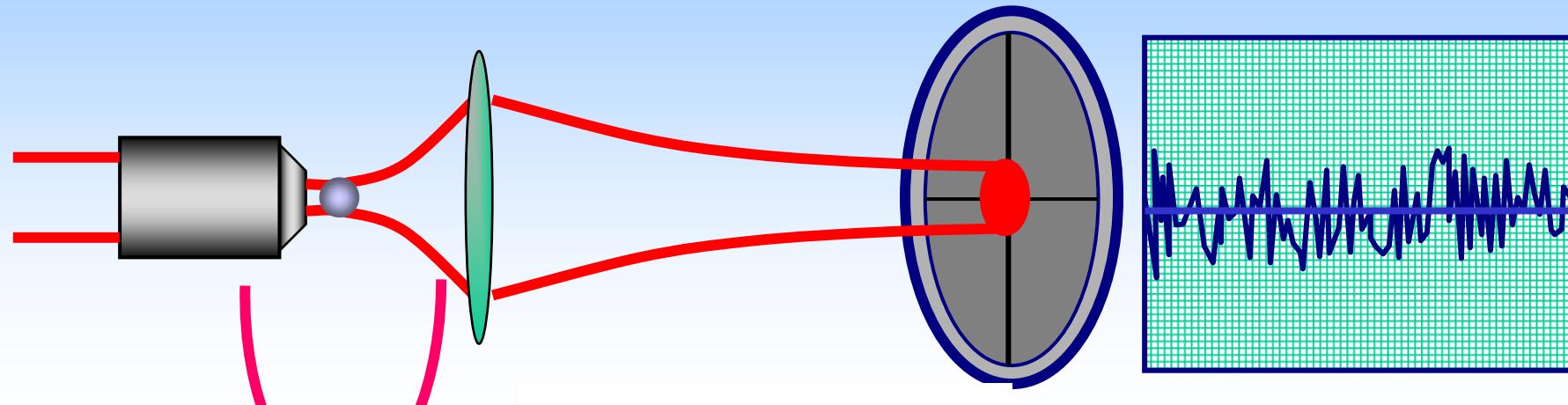
Actin - Myosin motor



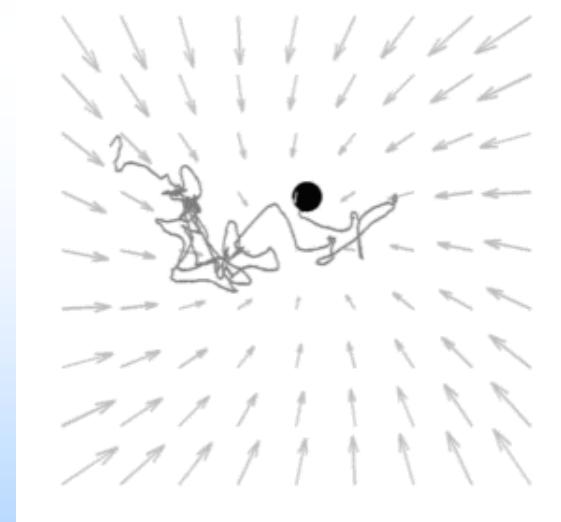
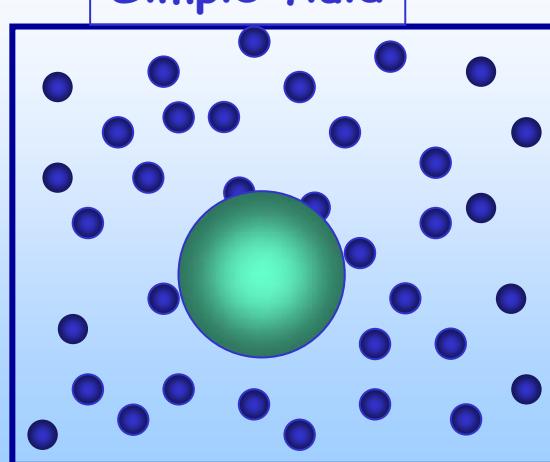
Muscle unit: sarcomer



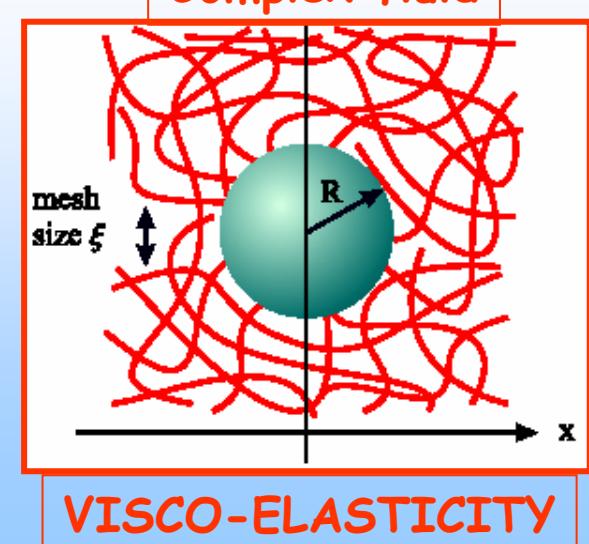
Thermal analysis (Brownian motion)



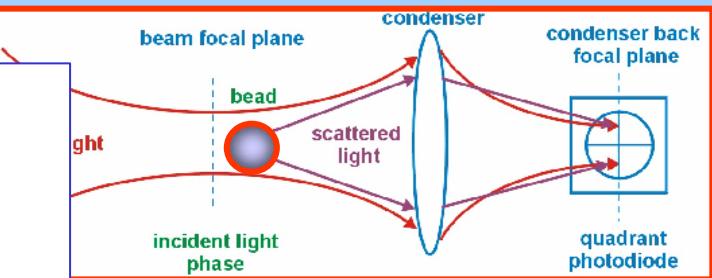
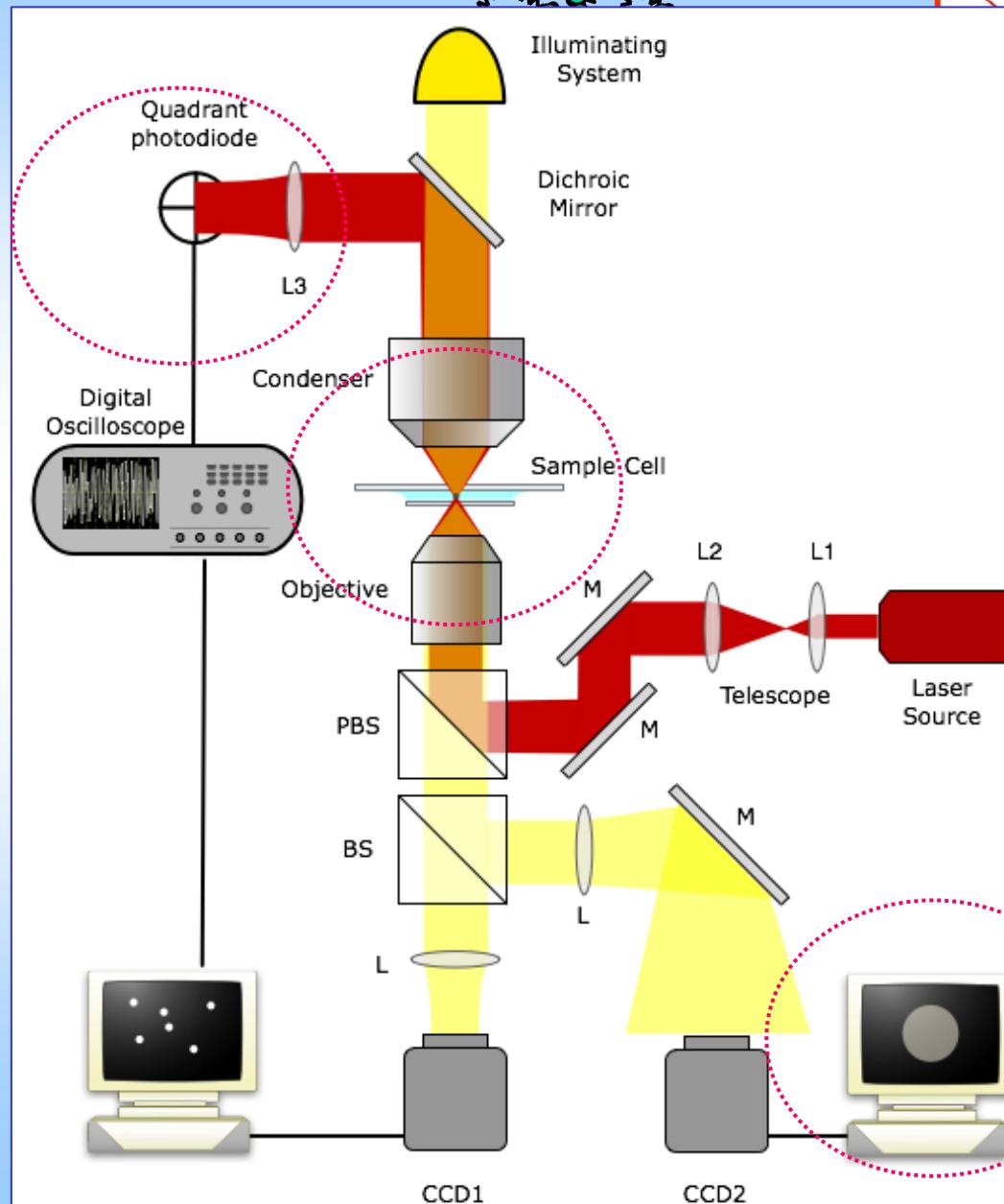
Simple fluid



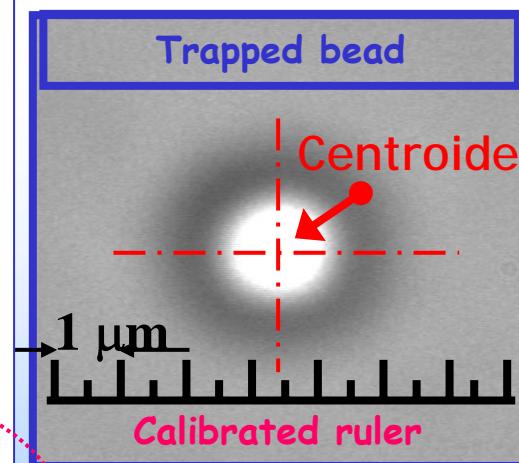
Complex fluid



Laser (Tweezers) Tracking + Video Tracking setup

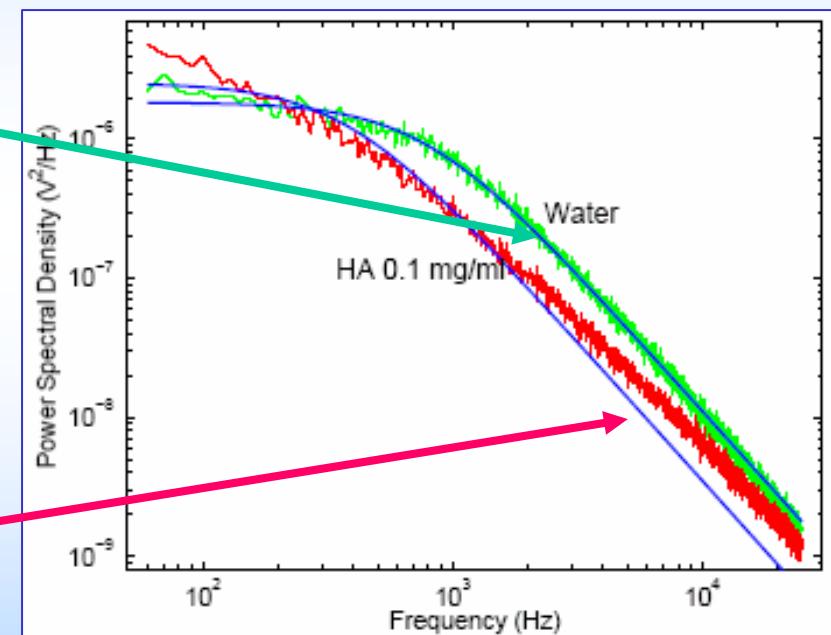
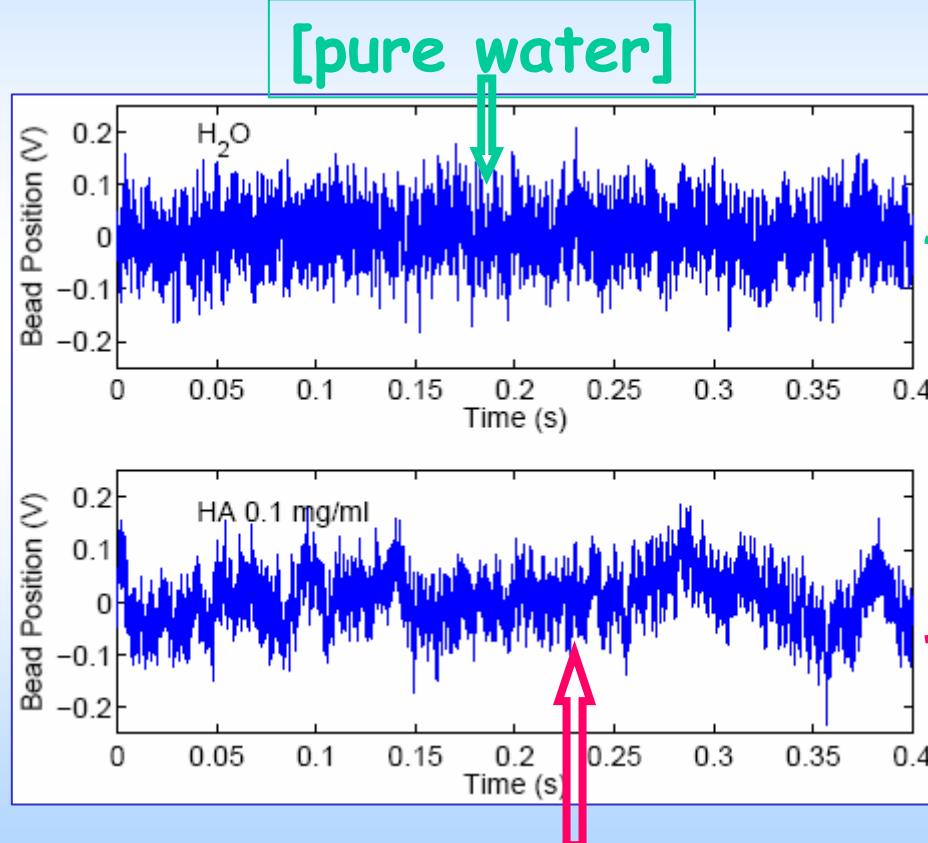


Quadrant Photodiode (QP):
Temporal resolution : 100 kHz
Spatial resolution : 2-3 nm
Field-of-view: 200-300 nm

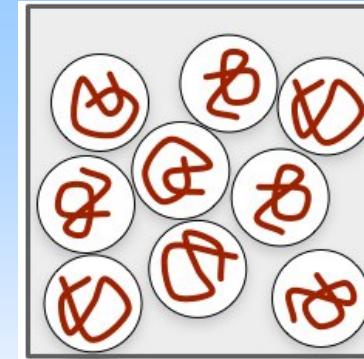


Video Tracking (standard CCD):
Temporal resolution : 30 Hz
Spatial resolution : 6-7 nm
Field-of-view: 50_100 μm

Water-hyaluronic acid solutions

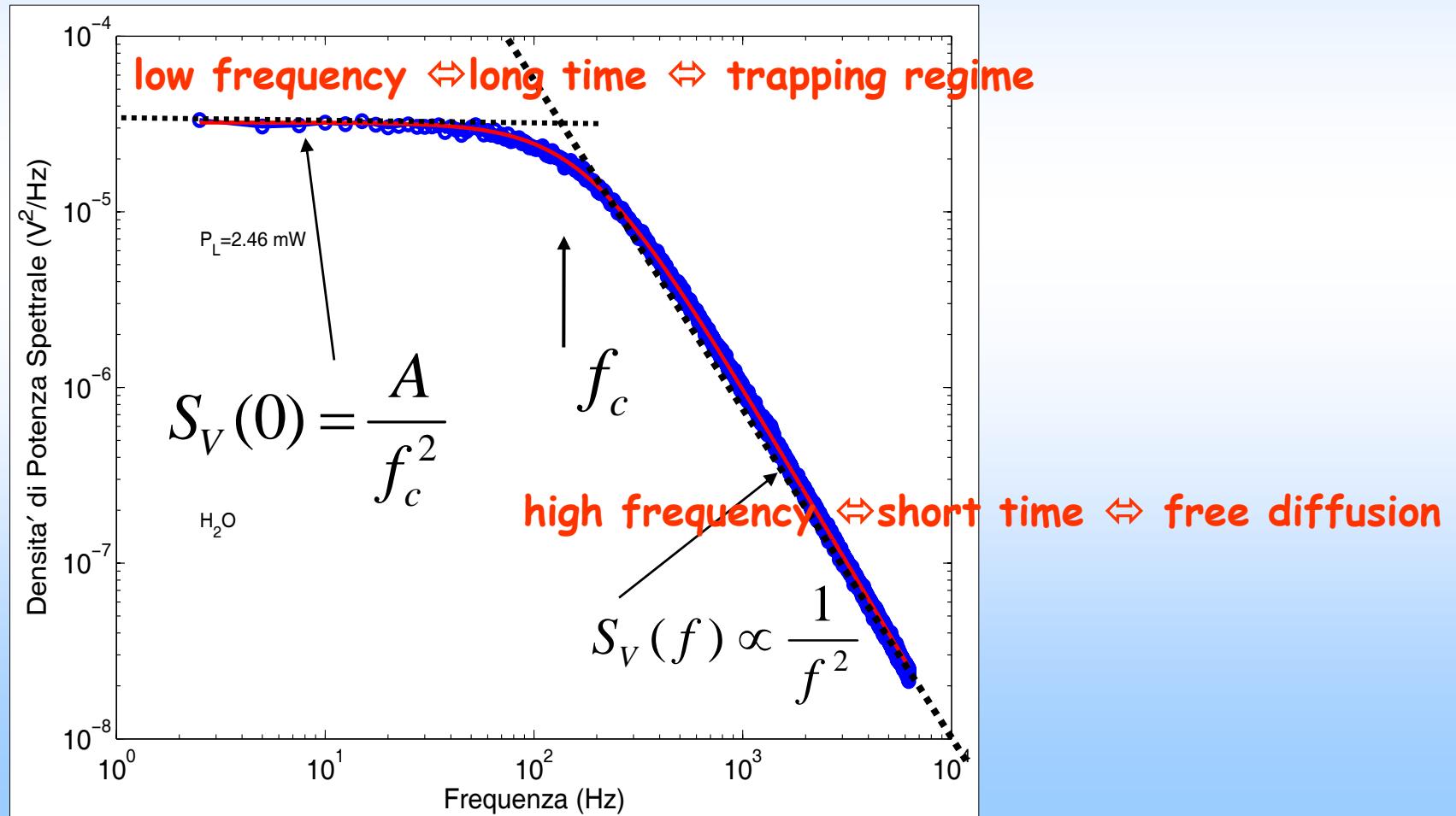


[H_2O -HA 0.1 mg/ml]

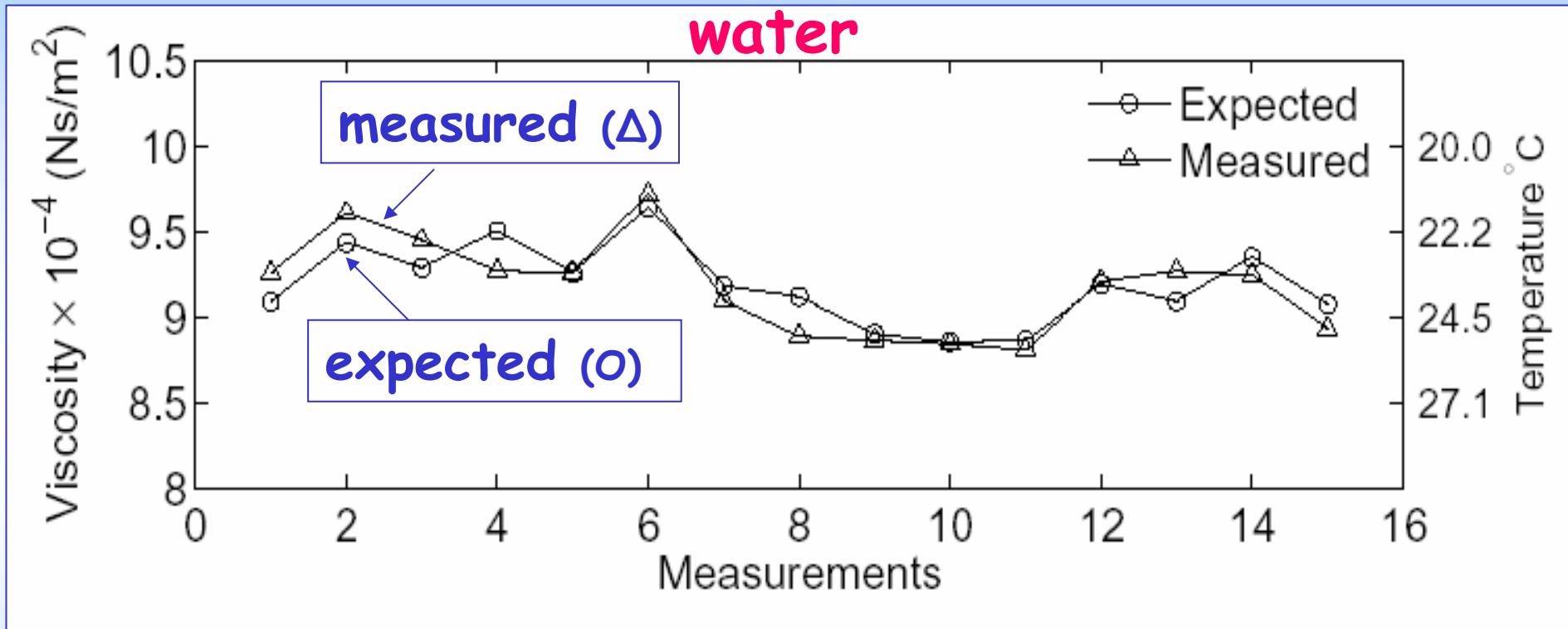


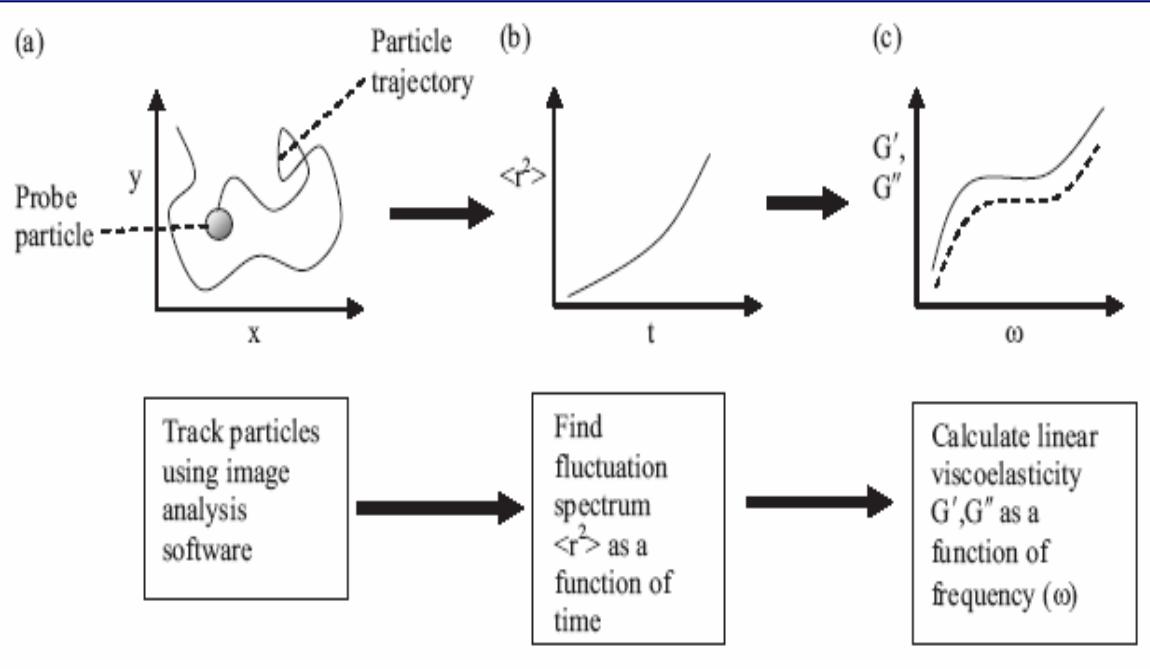
Power spectrum method

$$S_V(f) = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\eta a\beta^2} \frac{1}{f_c^2 + f^2}$$



after calibration..... local viscosity





$$\text{stress} = G(\omega) \times \text{strain}$$

$$G(\omega) = G'(\omega) + iG''(\omega)$$

Response of a trapped bead:

$$x(\omega) = \alpha(\omega)f(\omega)$$

- Fluctuation-dissipation theorem:

$$\alpha''(\omega) = \frac{\omega}{2k_B T} \langle x^2(\omega) \rangle$$

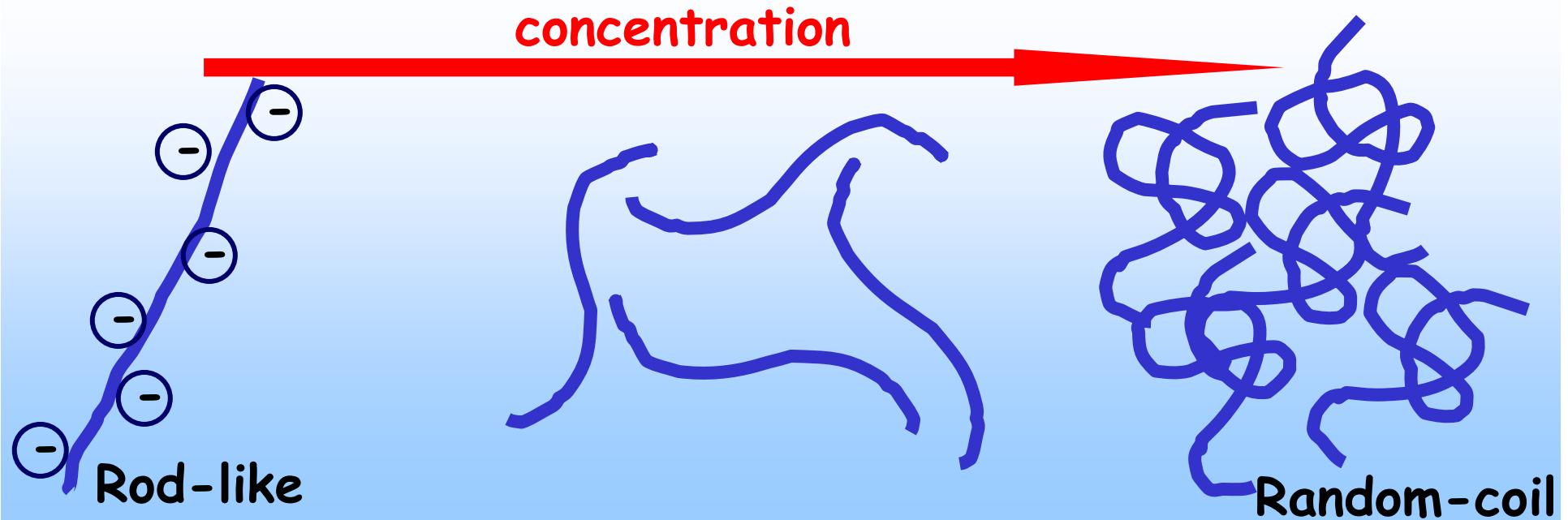
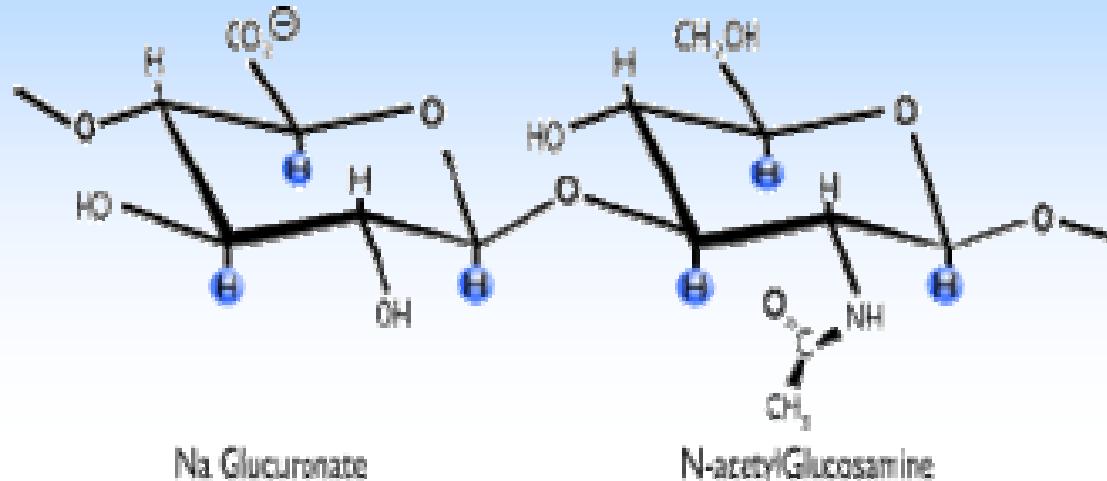
- Kramers-Kronig:

$$\alpha'(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} P \int_0^\infty d\zeta \frac{\zeta \alpha''(\zeta)}{\zeta^2 - \omega^2}$$

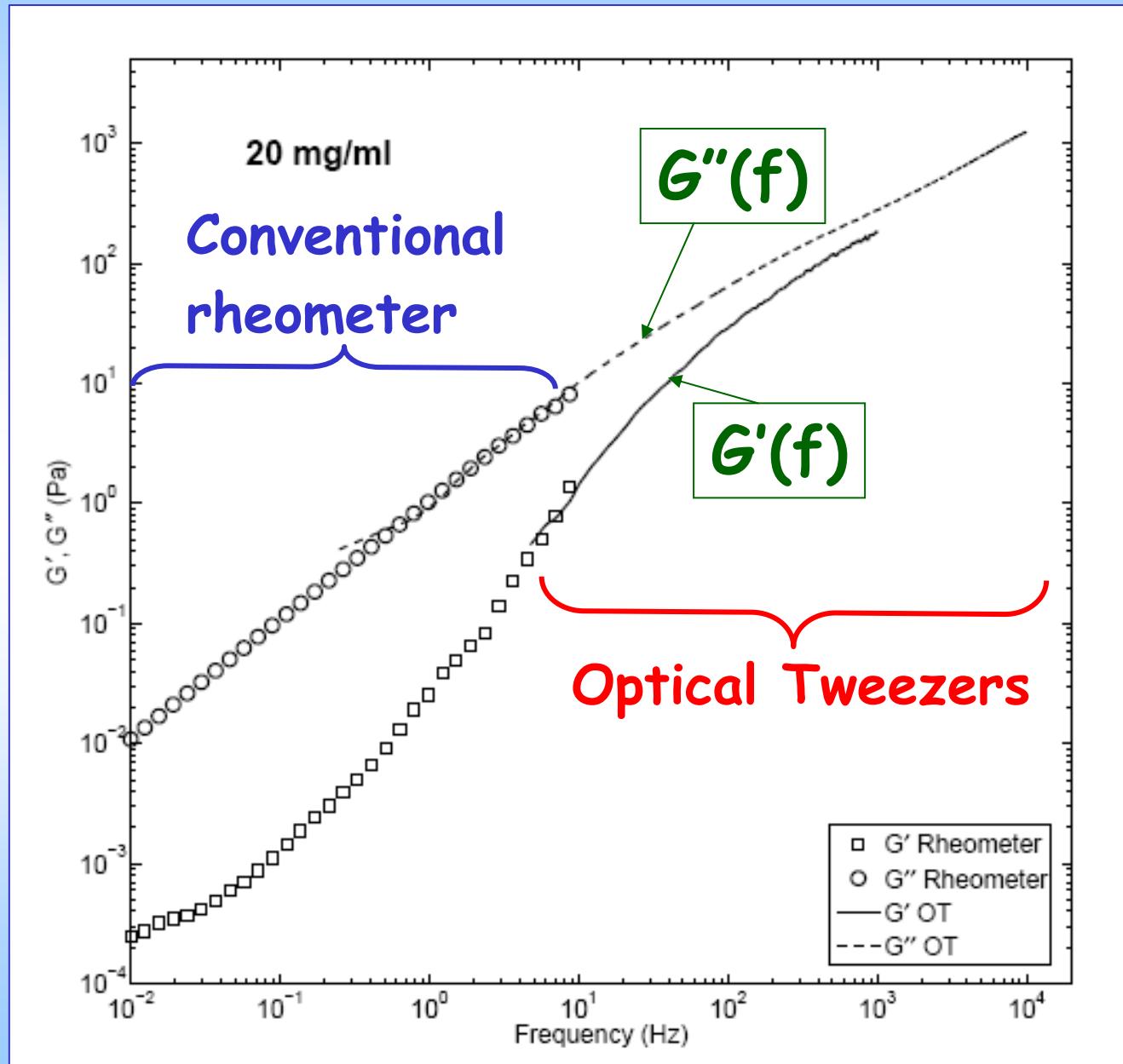
- Generalized Stokes-Einstein:

$$\alpha(\omega) = \frac{1}{6\pi G(\omega)a}$$

Polyelectrolyte in salt-free solutions: Hyaluronic Acid (HA) (160 kDalton)

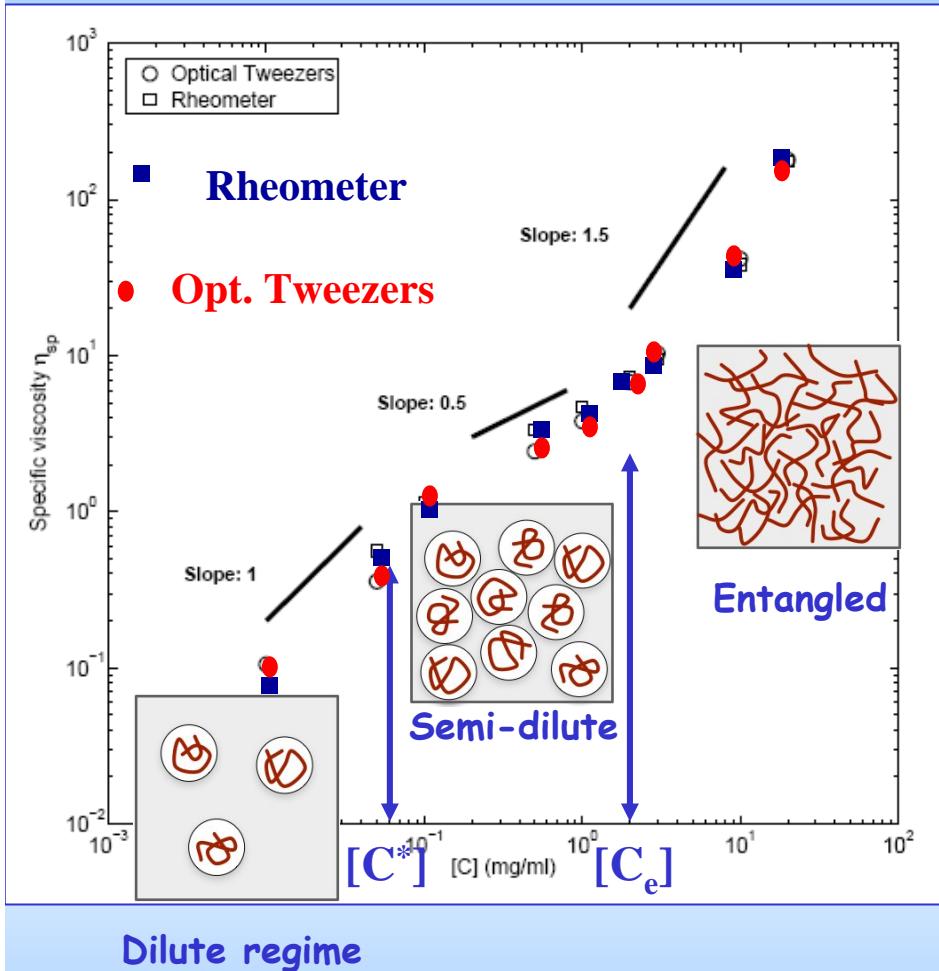


Comparison between bulk and local measurements

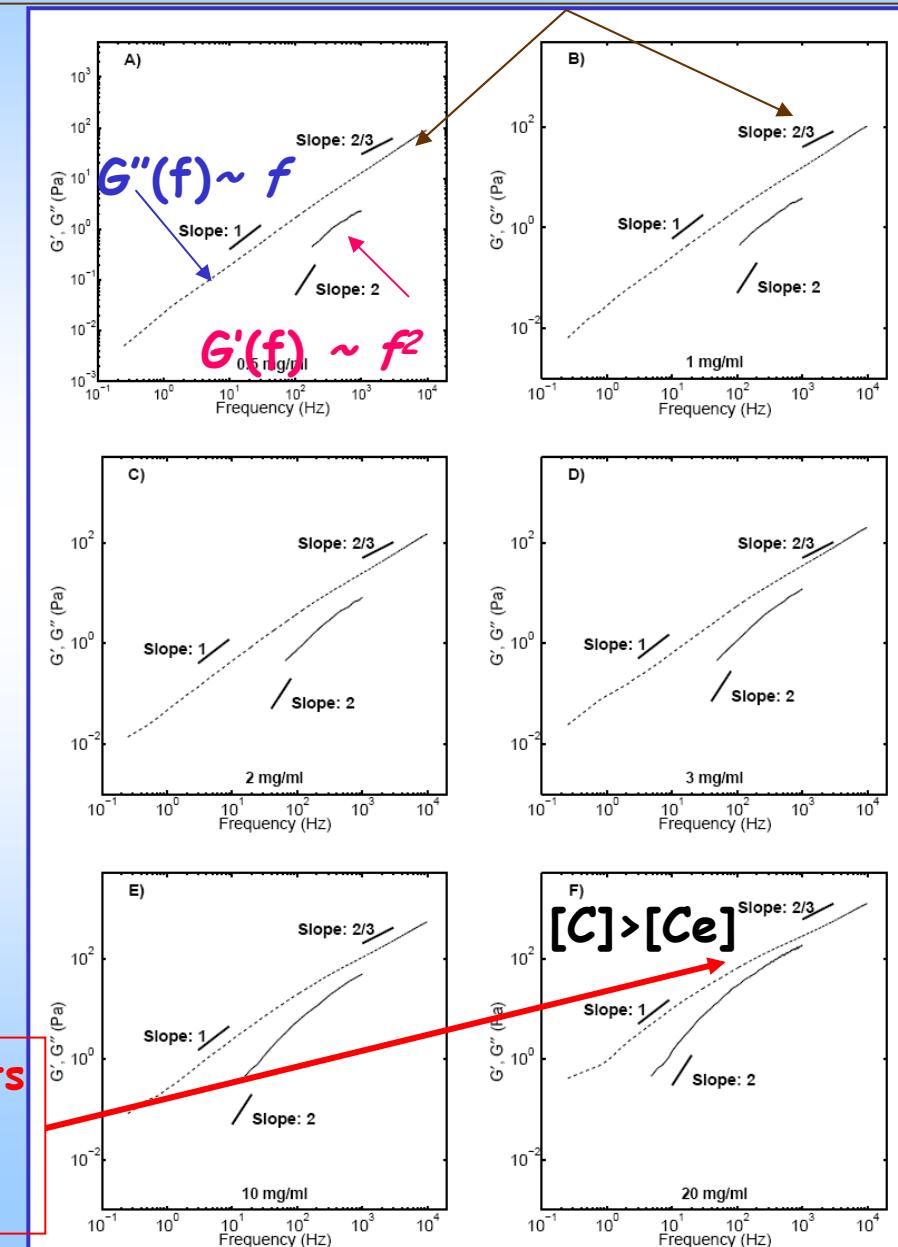


Good agreement with power laws of polyelectrolytes models

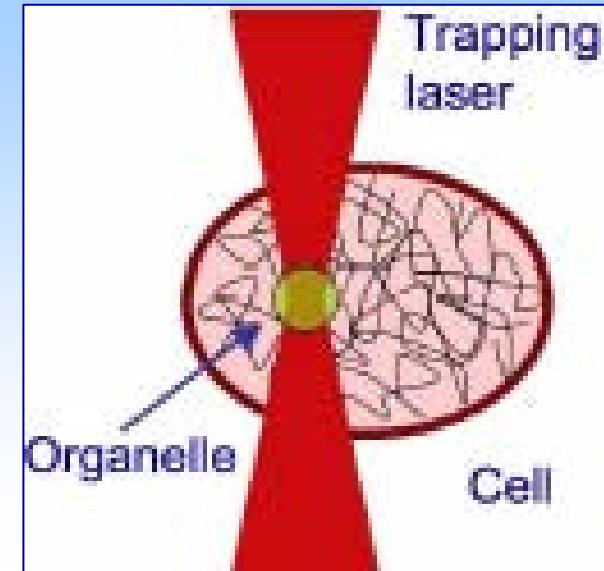
$G'(f), G''(f) \sim f^{2/3}$ (high frequencies)



No crossing! No permanent entanglements is formed due to the low entanglements number ($n = 2.5$)



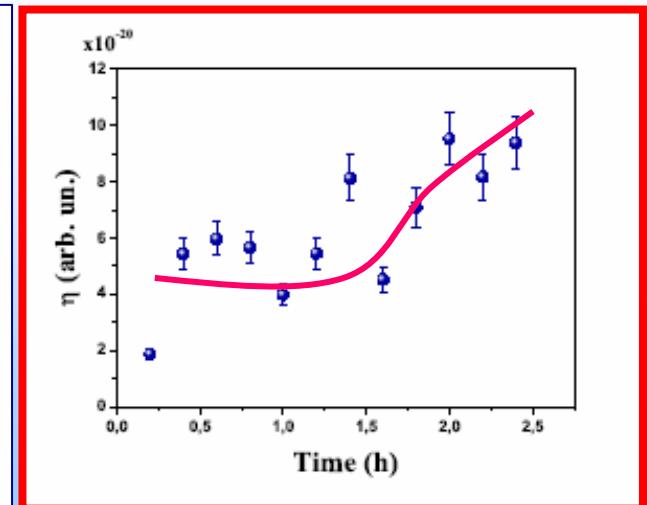
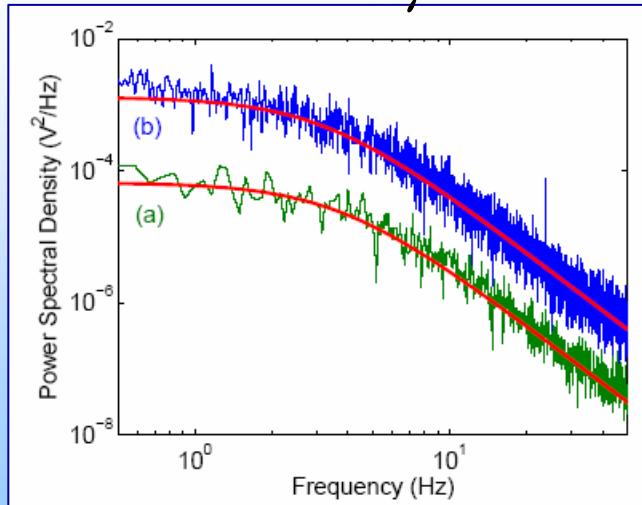
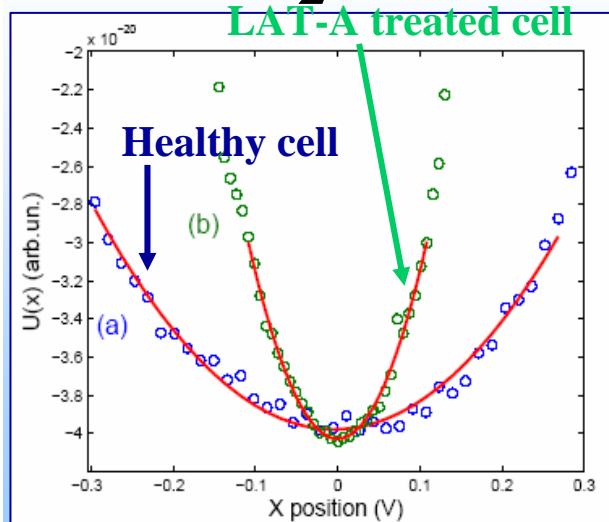
Viscosity measurements in yeast cells (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*)



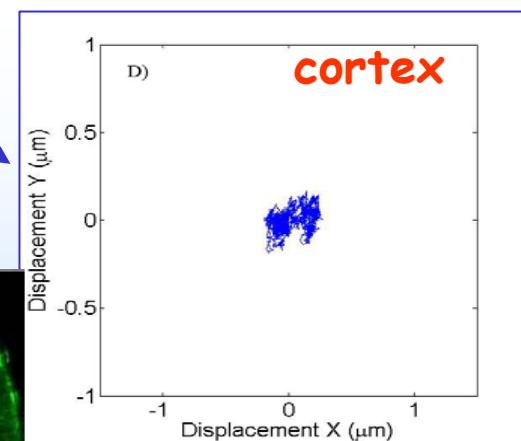
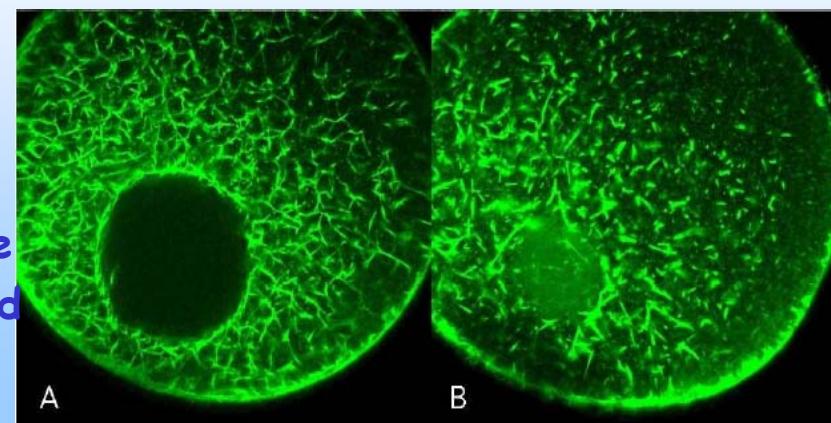
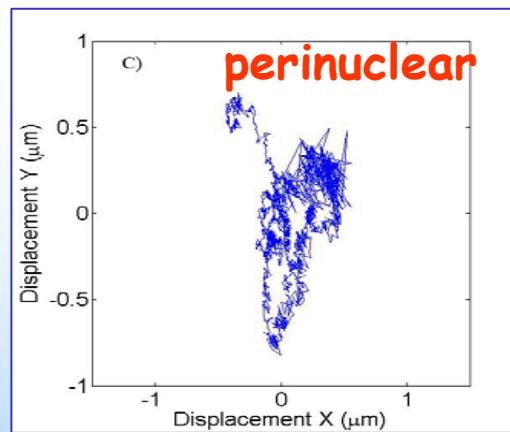
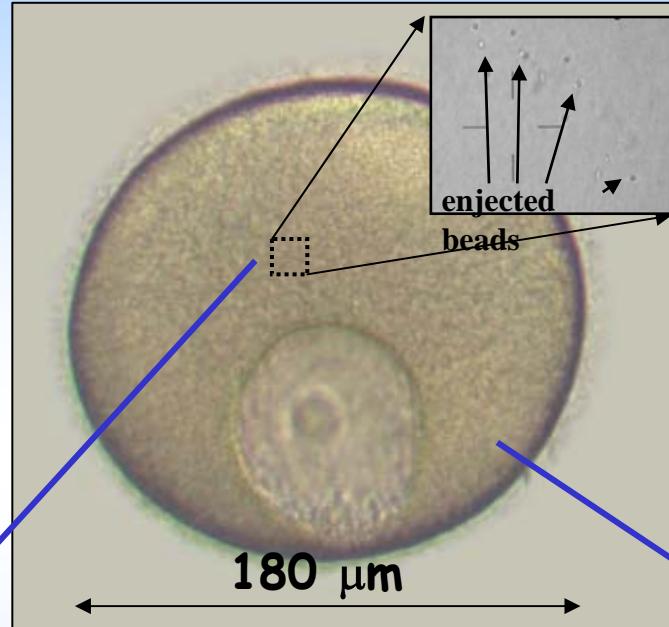
$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2} k \beta^2 x^2$$

$$f_c = \frac{k}{2\pi\gamma}$$

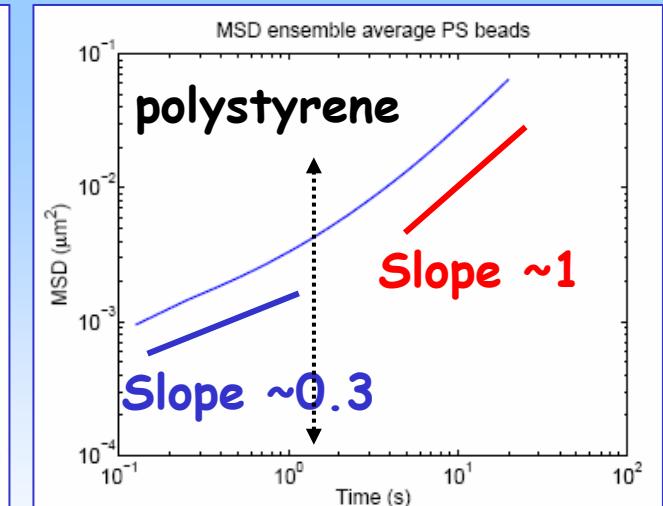
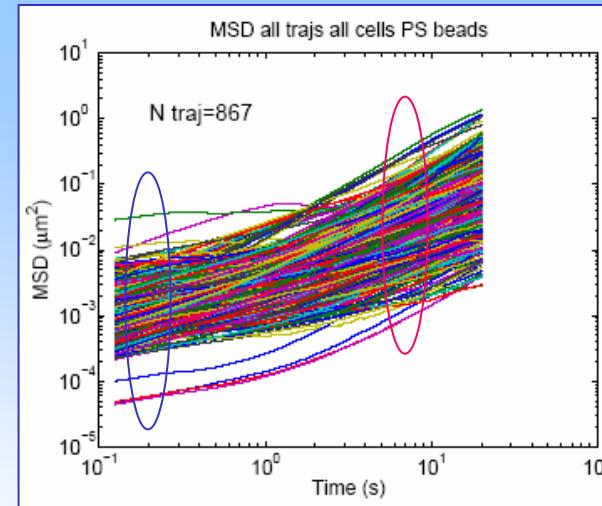
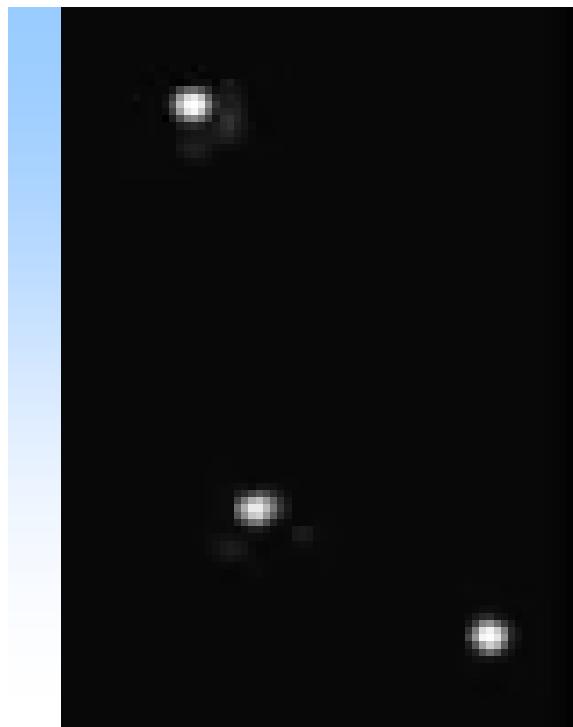
$$R = \frac{k\beta^2}{f_c} \propto \eta$$



Micro-injection of polystyrene beads in *Astropecten auranticacus* oocytes



confocal microscopic image
of F-actin network stained
with Alexa Fluor488
Phalloidin



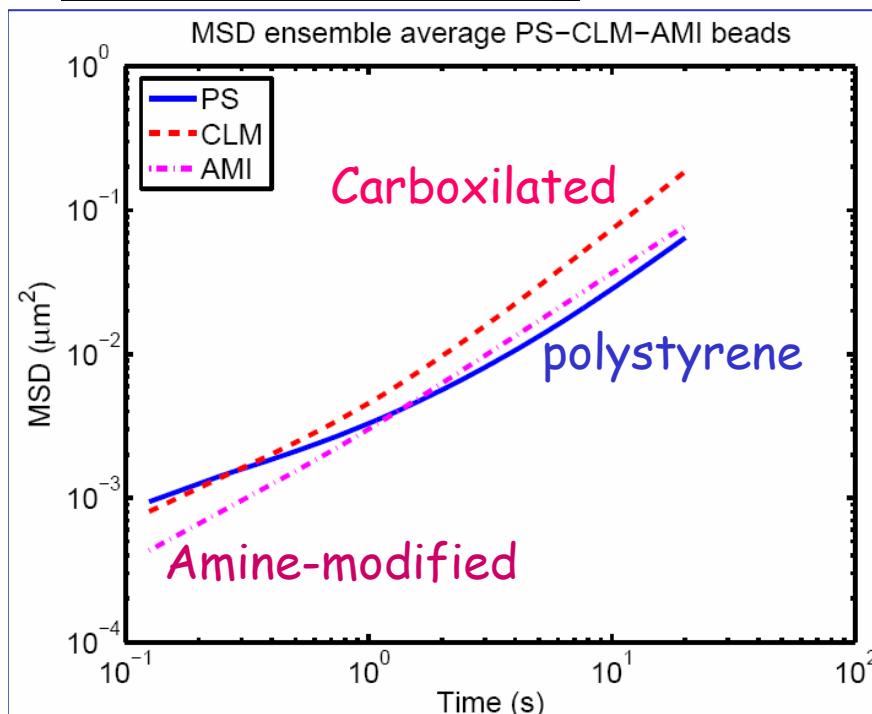
$$\langle r^2(\tau) \rangle = 4D\tau^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = \alpha(\tau)$$

$\alpha = 1$ Stokes - Einstein diffusion in pure viscous fluid

$\alpha < 1$ Sub - diffusive motion (viscoelastic fluid)

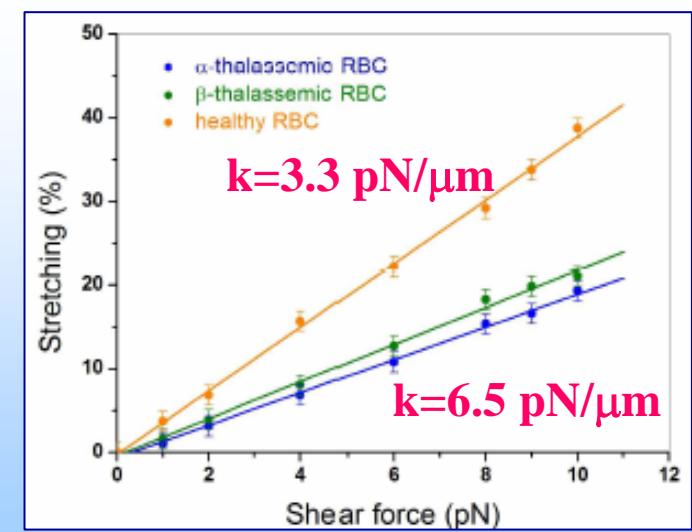
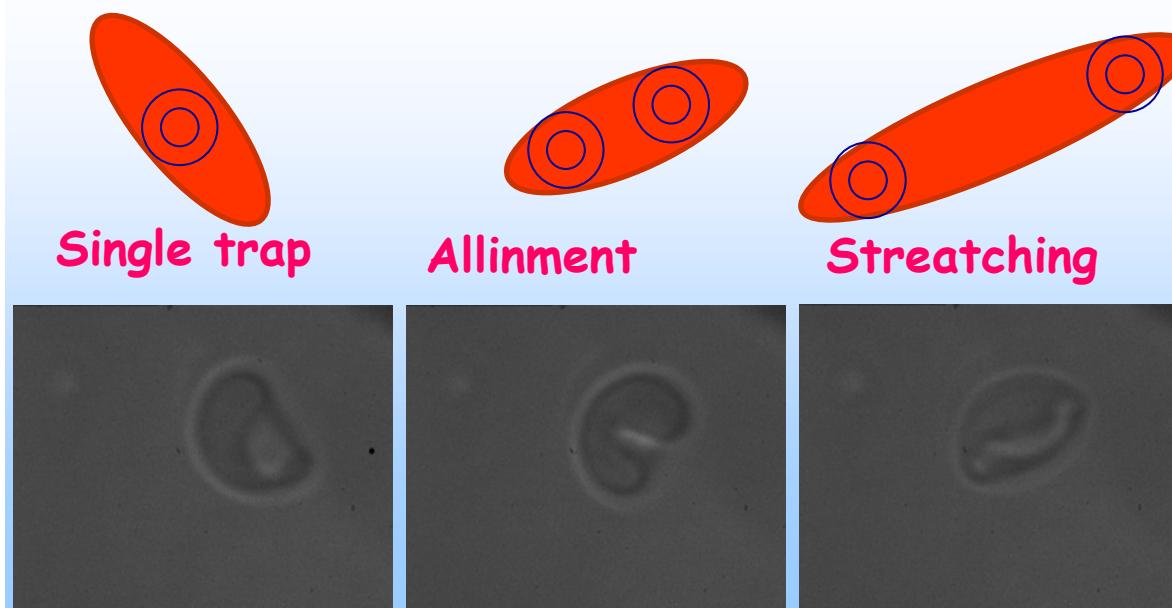
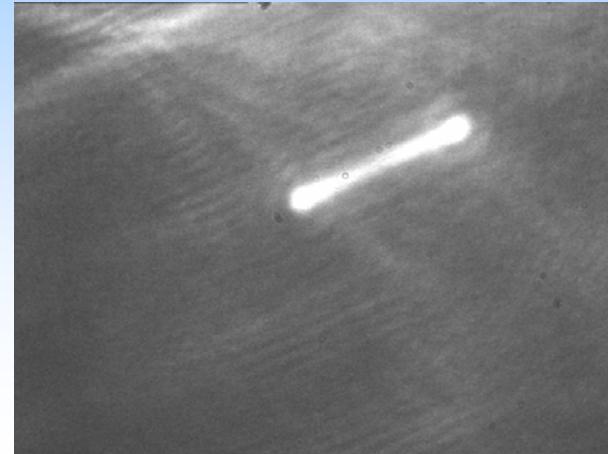
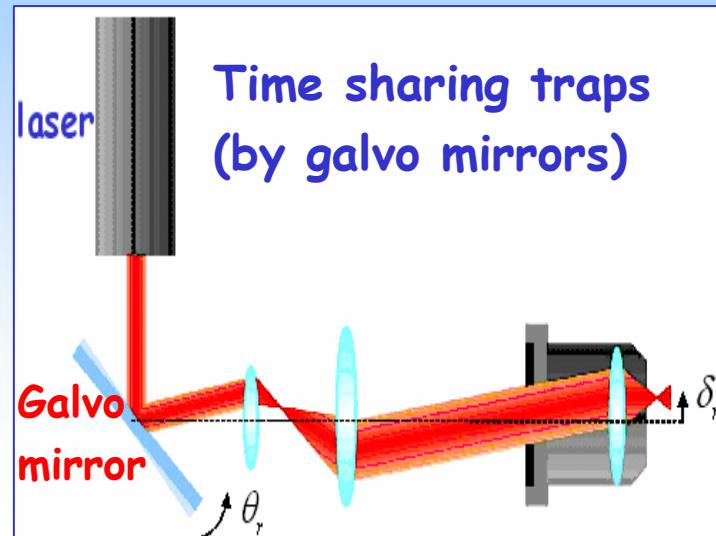
$\alpha > 1$ Super - diffusive motion (molecular motor)



	Polsty.	Carbox.	Amine-m.
D	$3.8 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$	$7.6 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$	$4.6 \cdot 10^{-3} \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$
η	0.85 Poise	0.77 Poise	0.93 Poise

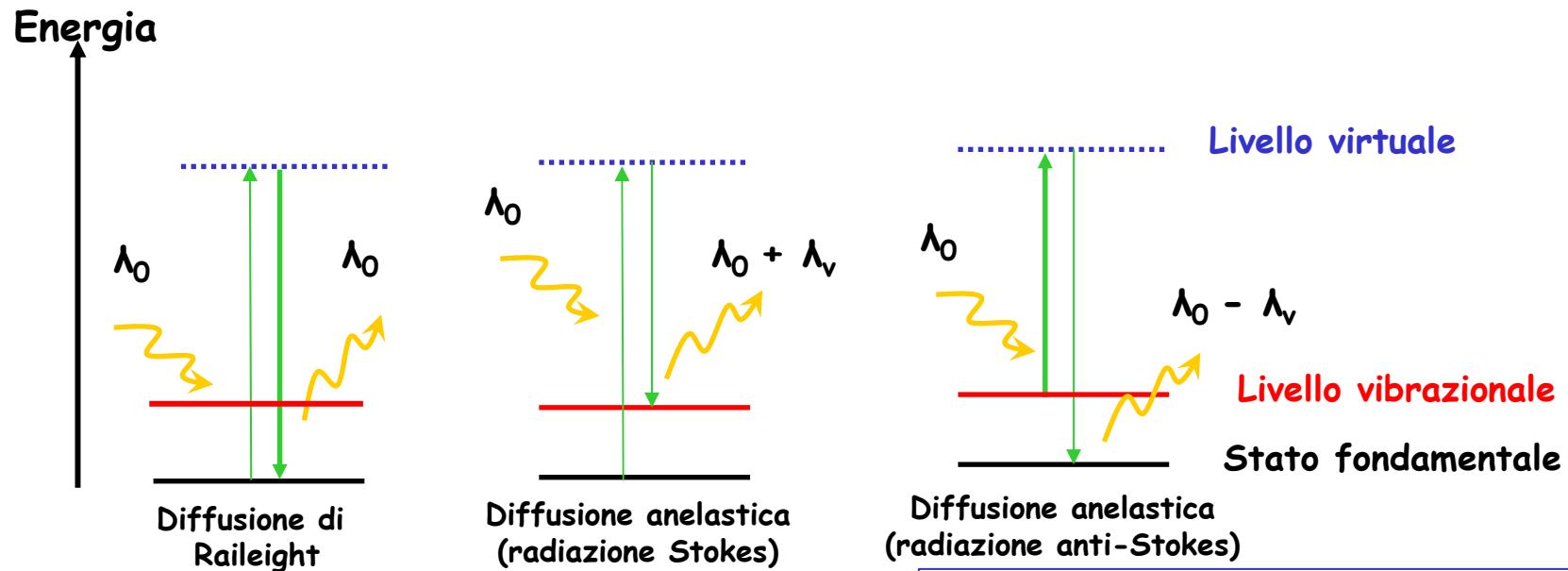
$\eta(\text{water}) = 0.001 \text{ Poise}$

✓ Pure optical Stretcher



Rusciano et al, Biophys J submitted

Scattering Raman

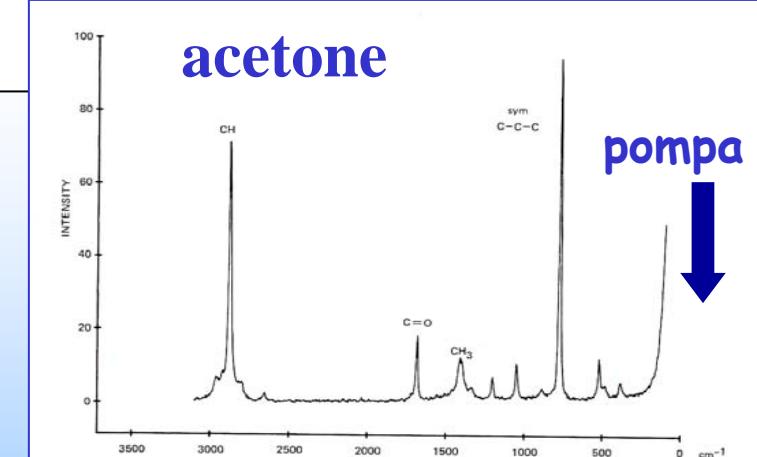


Vantaggi:

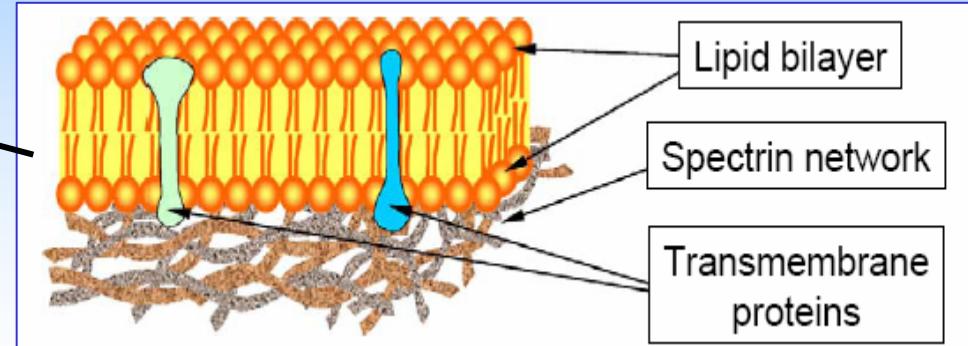
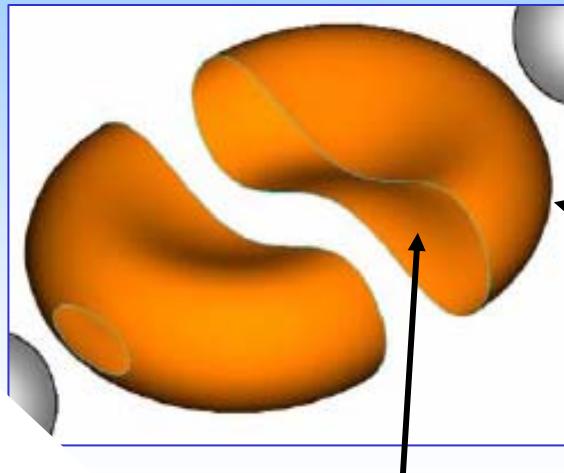
- ✓ Analizza i livelli vibrazionali delle molecole
- ✓ Lo spettro Raman fornisce un'impronta digitale strutturale di una molecola.
- ✓ Può essere applicato in maniera non invasiva in molti campi (ambientale, biologico, medico, farmacologico)

Svantaggi:

- ✓ Sezioni d'urto molto piccole ($\sim 10^{-30}/10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2/\text{molecole}$)
- ✓ Segnali Raman sono poco intensi.



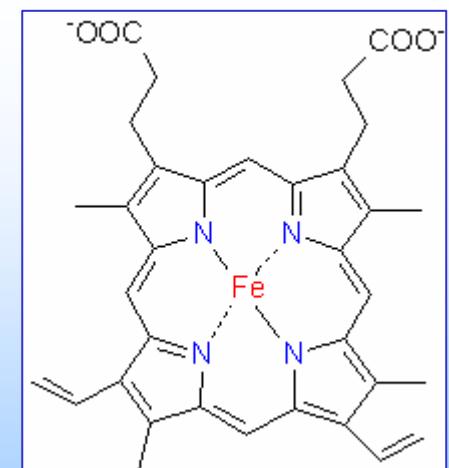
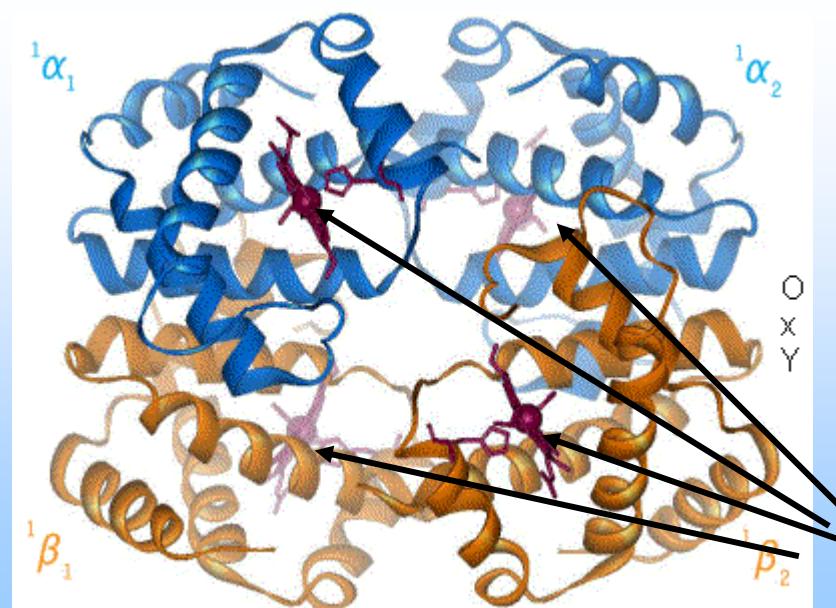
Red Blood Cells (erythrocyte)



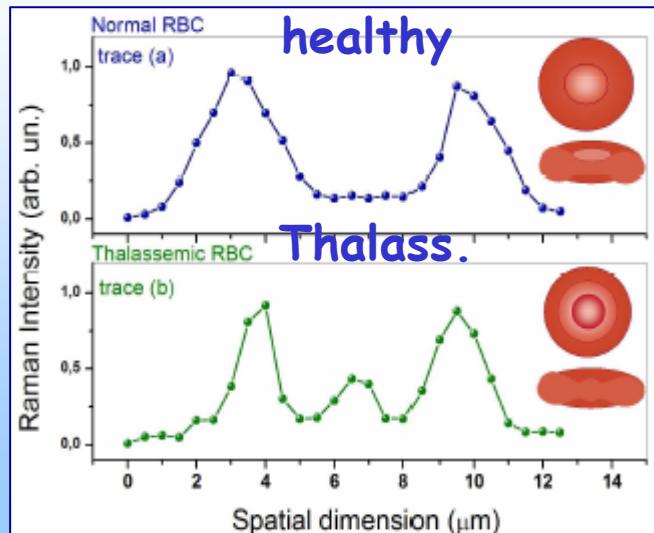
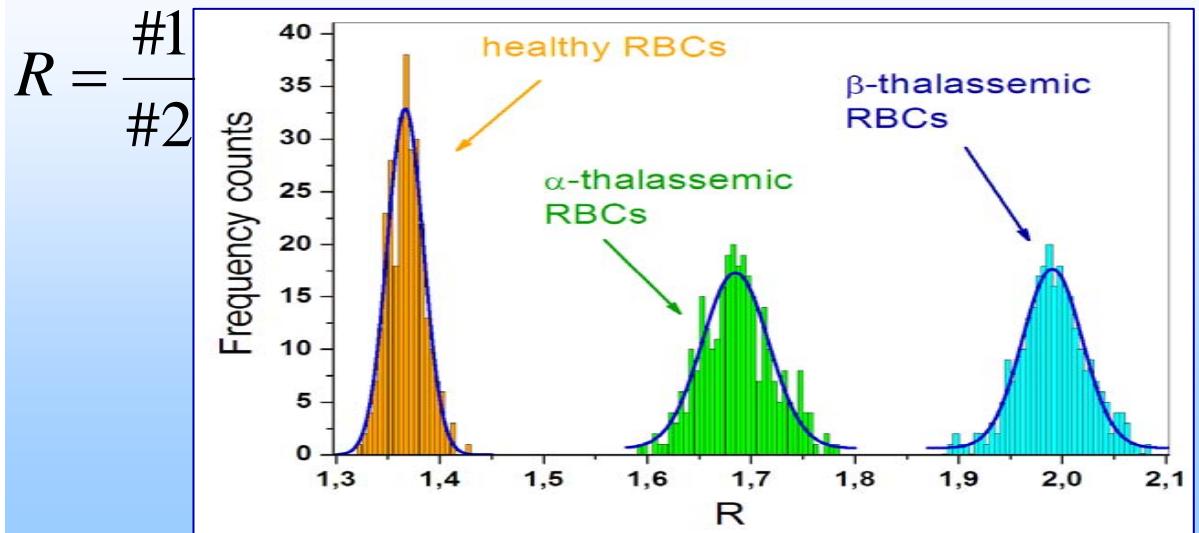
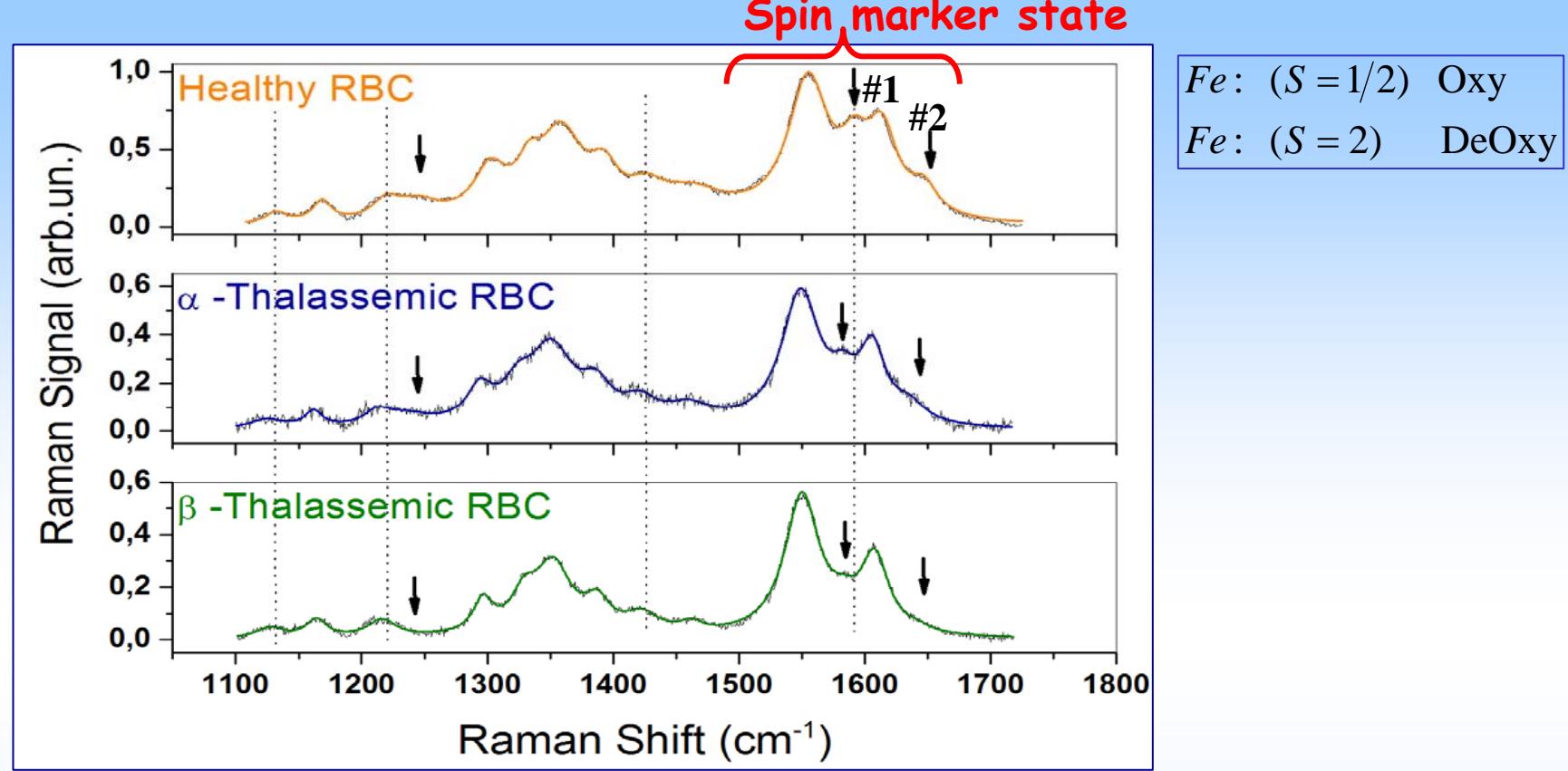
**Viscous hemoglobin solution
(97% of the RBC dry content)**

Haemoglobin is a globular metalprotein (tetramer)
Formed by 4 subunits:

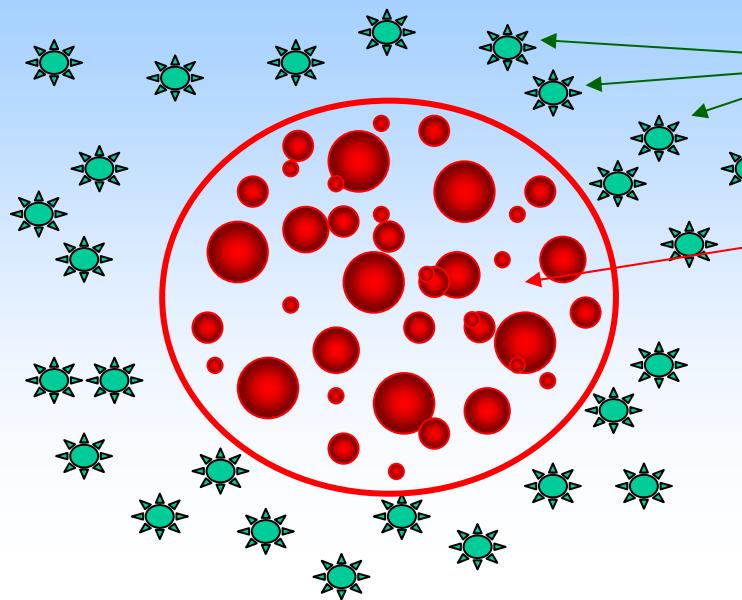
- 2 α -type
- 2 β -type



Haeme-group

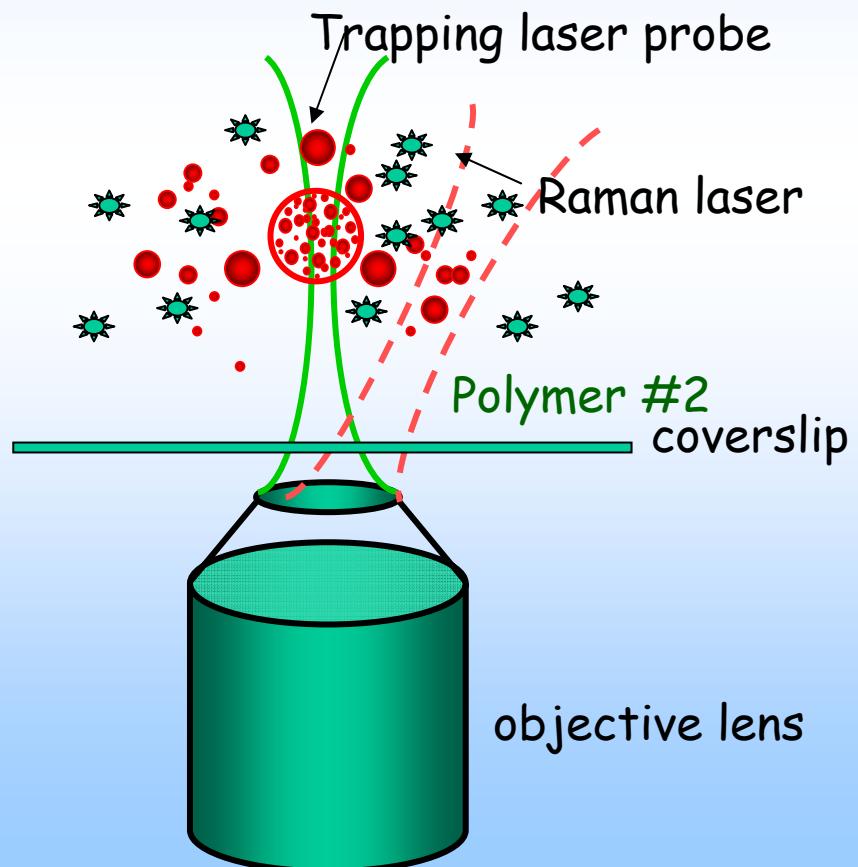


Mutual Diffusion in (immiscible) polymer mixtures



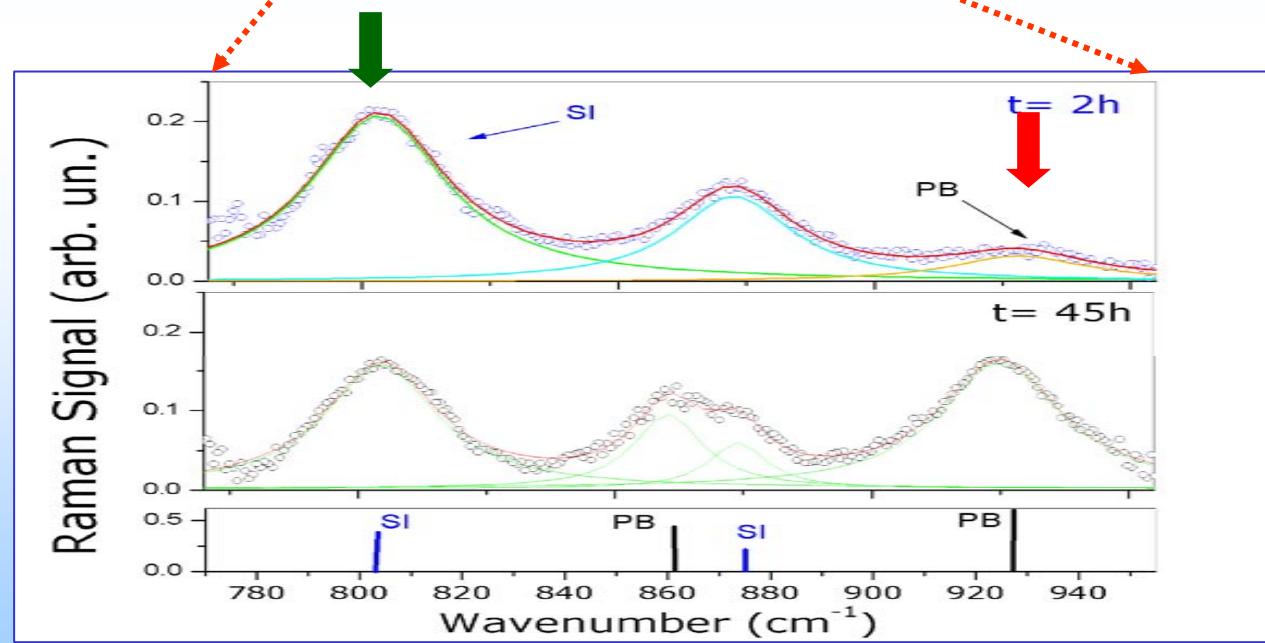
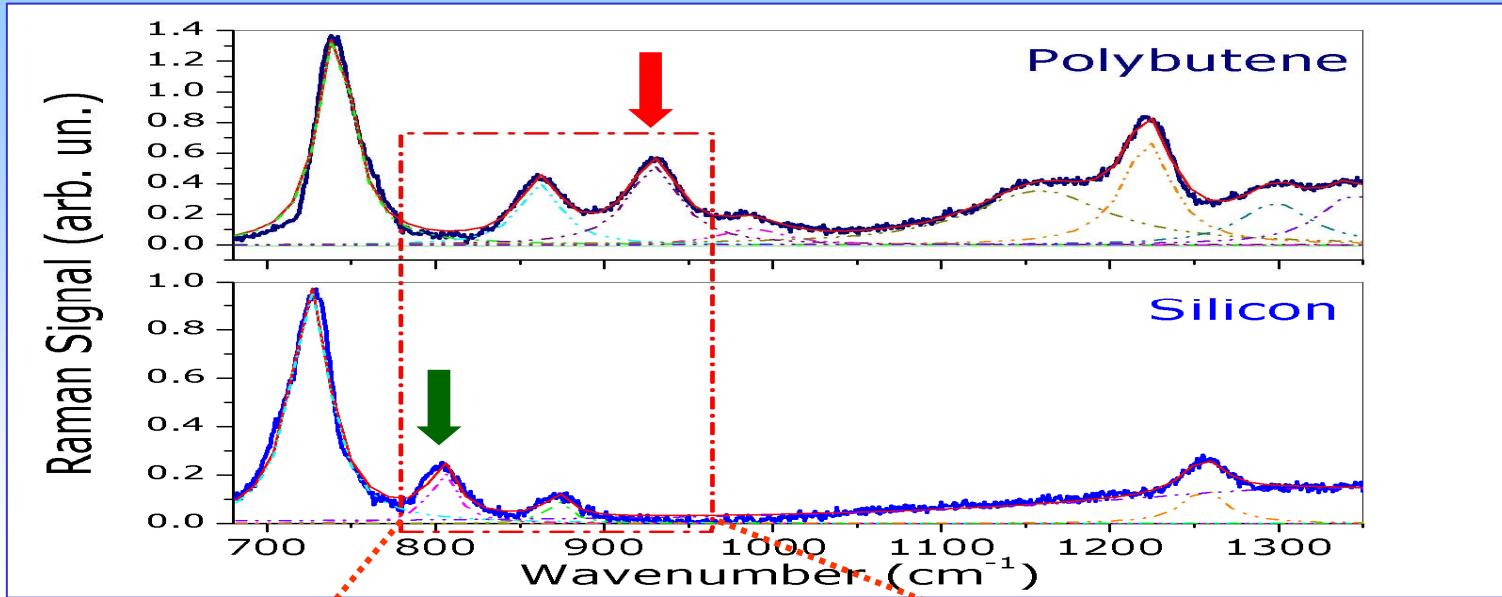
POLYMER #2
(SILICON, PDMS)

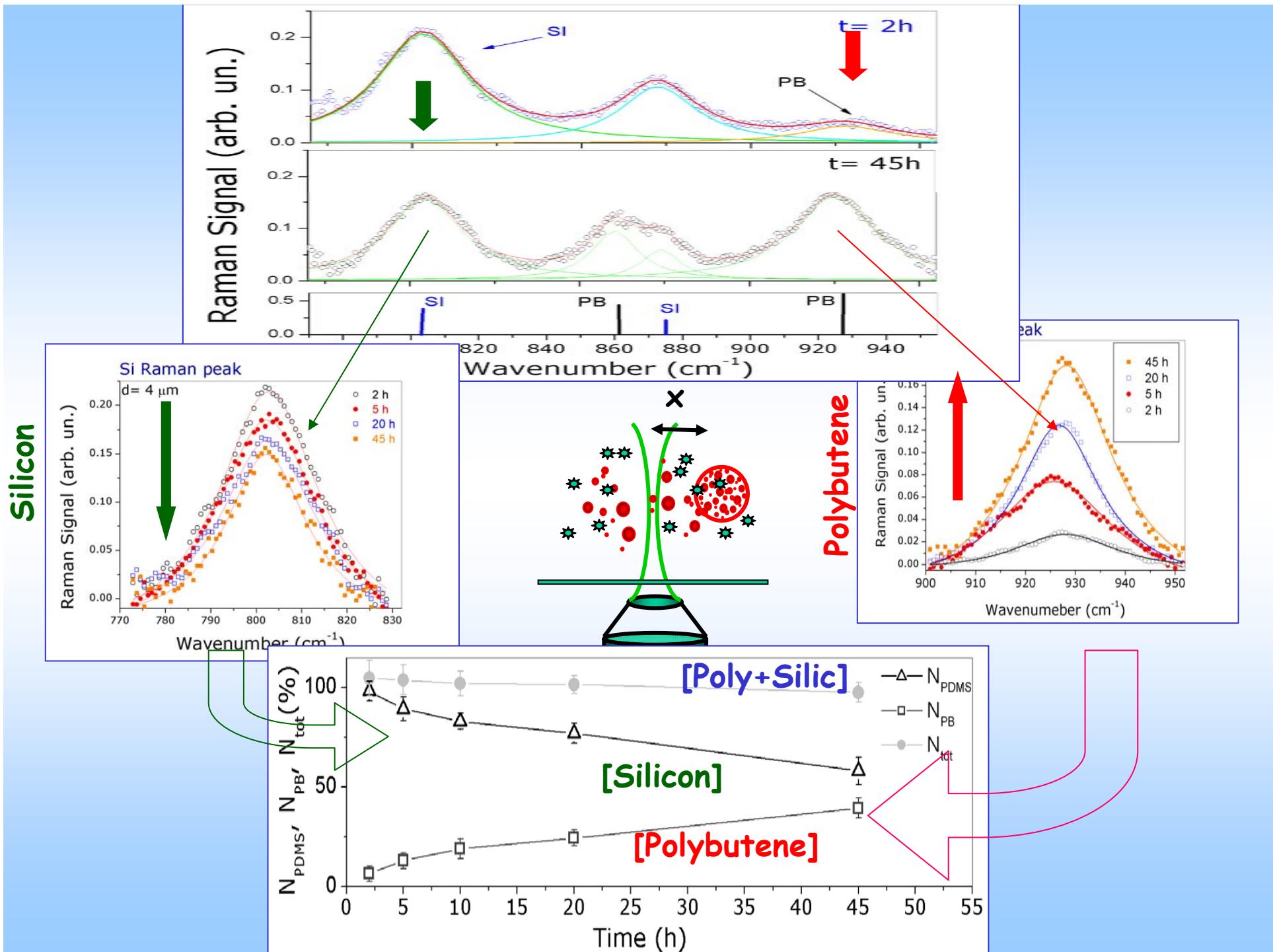
Droplet of polidispersed POLYMER #1
(POLYBUTENE, PIB)

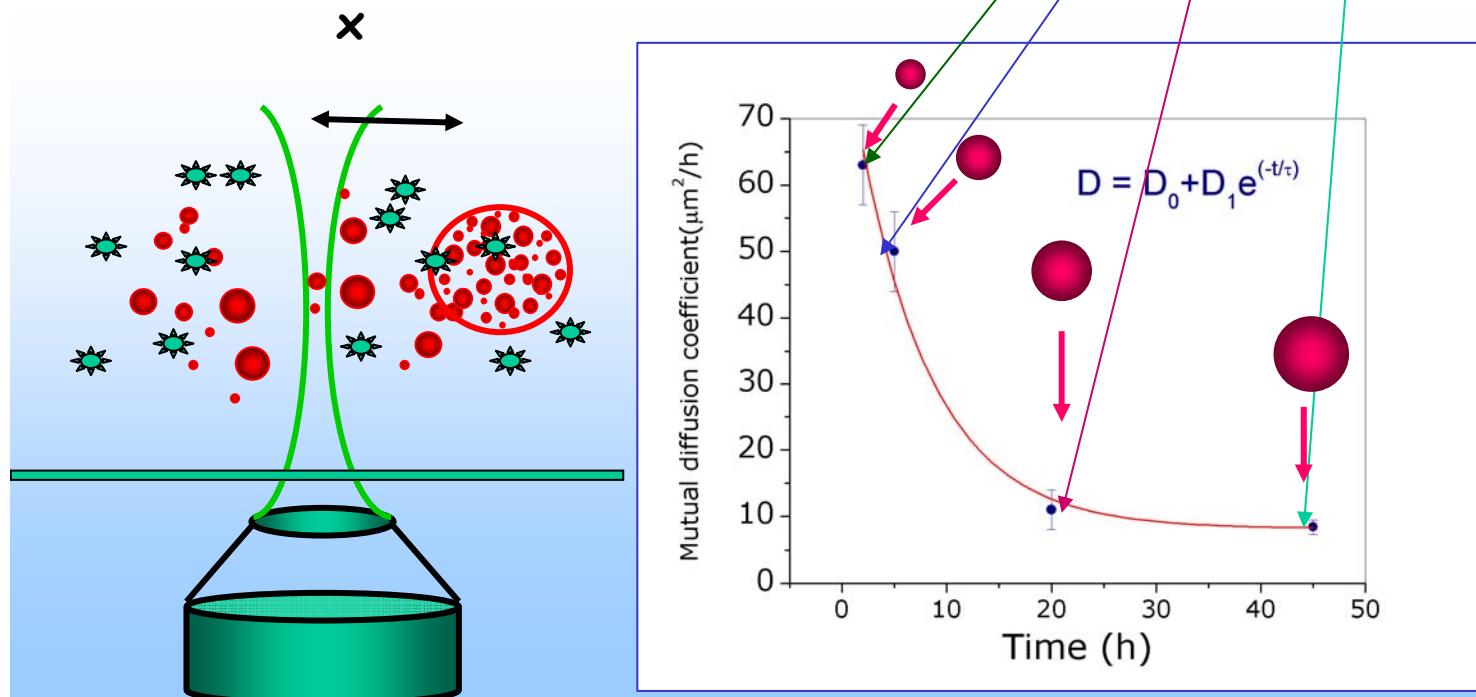
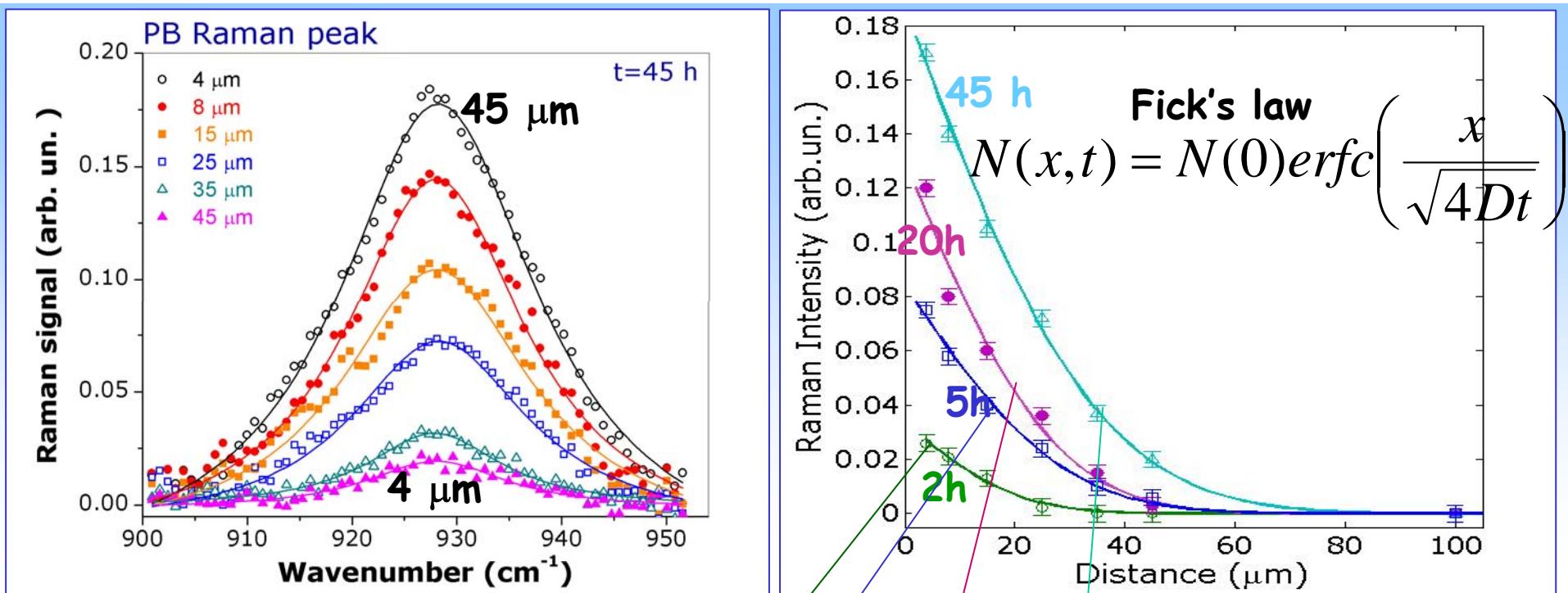


$$J = -D \nabla \Phi$$

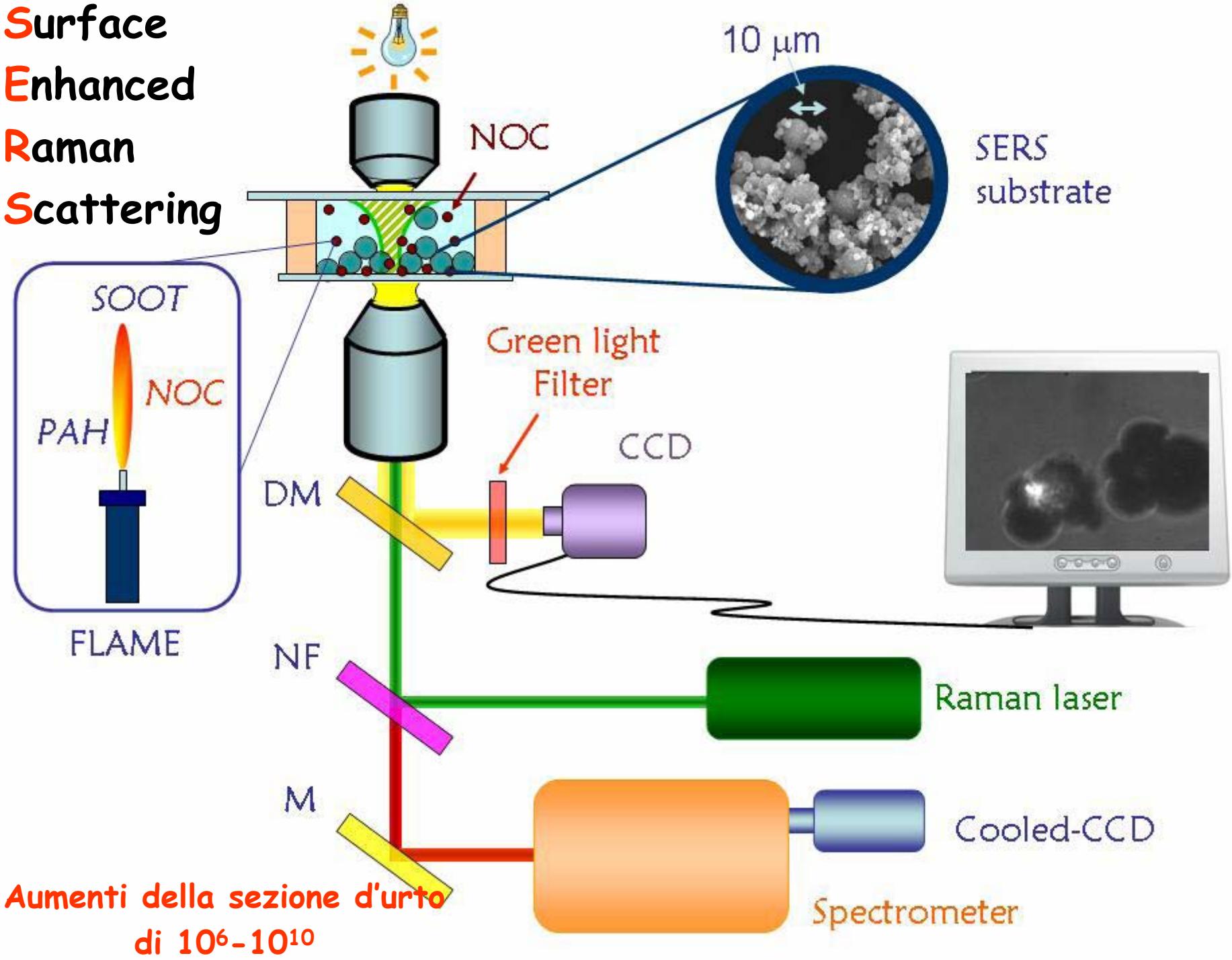
$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} = D \nabla^2 \Phi$$



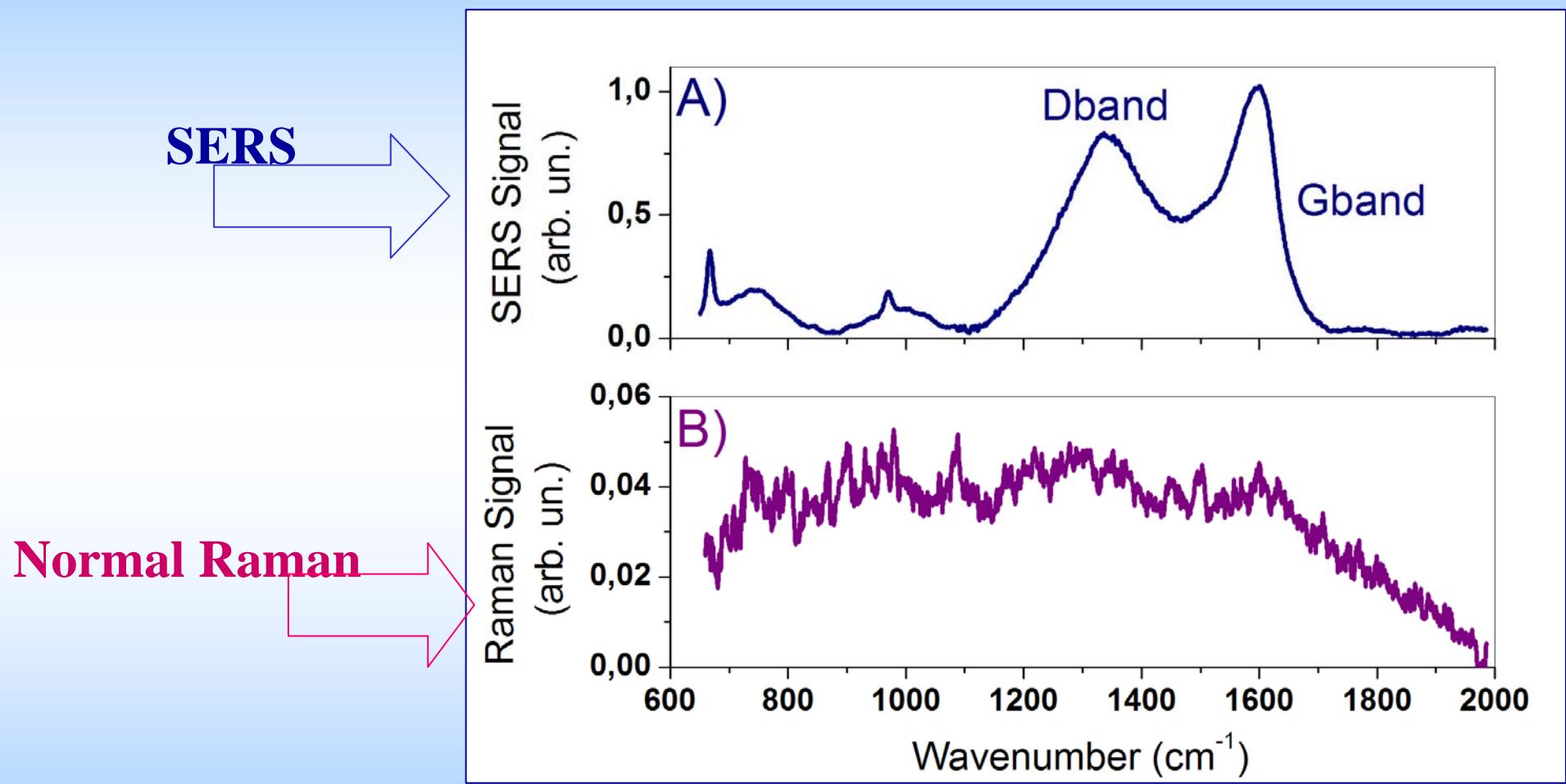




Surface Enhanced Raman Scattering



SERS on carbonious nanoparticles produced in combustion processes



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