PRINCIPALS OF MALDI TOF

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(1856 - 1940)

Cambridge University Cambridge, Great Britain

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1906

"in recognition of the great merits of his theoretical and experimental investigations on the conduction of electricity by gases"

The Nobel Foundation

Joseph John THOMSON

first mass spectrometer

Mass spectrum of neon with masses 20 and 22 u measured by J. J. Thomson (1913) using his parabola mass spectrograph





(1877 - 1945)

Cambridge University Cambridge, Great Britain

The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1922 "for his discovery, by means of his mass spectrograph,

of isotopes, in a large number of nonradioactive elements,

and for his enunciation of the wholenumber rule"

The Nobel Foundation

Francis William ASTON



Figure 1.11 F.W. Aston with second mass spectrograph (1922).



(1913 - 1993)

University of Bonn Bonn, Germany

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1989 "for the development of the ion trap technique"

The Nobel Foundation

Wolfgang Paul

A quite different type of mass spectrometer – the first 180 magnetic sector field mass spectrometer

(see Figure 1.7), with directional focusing of ions for isotope analysis, was constructed

by **Dempster**,

independently of other instrumental developments in mass spectrometry, in 1918.



A – ion source; B – electromagnet; C – Faraday cup; D – electrometer Basic investigations in mass spectrometry, continue to influence instrumental developments.

The first application in ion cyclotron resonance mass spectrometry (ICR-MS) was described by Sommer, Thomas and Hipple in 1949.

The instrumental development of a **quadrupole ion trap**,

which can trap and analyze ions separated by their m/z ratio using a 3D quadrupole radio-frequency electric field, was initiated by **Paul** and coworkers in the fifties.



In 1974, Comarisov and Marshall developed Fourier transform ion cyclotron resonance mass

spectrometry (FTICR-MS).

This technique allows mass spectrometric measurements at ultrahigh mass resolution $R = 100\ 000-1000\ 000$, which is higher than that of any other type of mass spectrometer and has the highest mass accuracy at attomole detection limits.



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However, NEEDS for Mass Spectrometry of HIGH MASS BIOMOLECULES

were growing and SOFT MS approaches were searched for

Two recently developed mass spectrometric techniques have had a major impact on the analysis of large biomolecules:

matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization mass spectrometry (MALDI-MS)

and

electrospray ionization mass spectrometry (ESI-MS).

SOFT IONISATION

Fenn and Tanaka (together with

2002

Wüthrich) received the Nobel Prize

for chemistry in 2002 in recognition of their contribution to the characterization of biomolecular macromolecules and to mass spectrometry and nuclear resonance spectroscopy (NMR).





ELECTROSPRAY Nobel Prize for chemistry in 2002







K. Tanaka

MALDI Nobel Prize for chemistry in 2002



Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption Ionisation

Time Of Flight

Mass Spectrometry



1.Laser Desorption Ionisation LDI



Sample + MATRIX

MALDI



IONISATION

The matrix absorbs the laser energy and from analyte M the ions are formed

- for example [M+H]+ in the case of an added proton,
- [M+Na] + in the case of an added sodium ion, or [M-H] in the case of a removed proton.





Awarded Order of Culture at the Imperial Palace on November 3rd, 2002

Profs KARAS and HILLENKAMP, Germany : co-discovered MALDI

Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption Ionisation

Time Of Flight Mass Spectrometry

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Matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization mass spectrometry (MALDI-MS)

+TOF

PEPTIDES, PROTEINS PROTEOMICS BIOMOLECULES TISSUE IMAGINING

LASER DESORPTION IONISATION
 DELAYED EXTRACTION
 TOF DETECTION
 REFLECTRON

1. LASER desorption ionisation



1. IONISATION

DELAYED EXTRACTION TIME OF FLIGHT DETECTOR

REFLECTRON

High productivity: 384 samples/target







Dihydroxybenzoic Acid (154,1)







α-Cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic Acid (189,17)

Sinapinic acid (224,21)



Principals of LDI and MALDI

<u>1.</u> Ultra short laser pulse, typically <u>t</u> ~ 3 ns (LDI, MALDI), max. μs.

Molecules are vaporized BEFORE decomposition.

2. Energy is absorbed mostly by matrix (M), not by analyte.

ɛ (matrix) >> ɛ (analyte), c(matrix) >> c(analyte)

Matrix \rightarrow MH⁺, M⁺, M^{*}, fragments, ions of fragments.

Analyte, dispersed in matrix, is vaporized together with matrix.

<u>The problem</u>: Peaks are inherently broad in MALDI-TOF spectra (poor mass resolution).

<u>The cause:</u> lons of the same mass coming from the target have different speeds. This is due to uneven energy distribution when the ions are formed by the laser pulse.

Sample + matrix on target Ions of same mass, different velocities

DELAYED EXTRACTION



Can we compensate for the initial energy spread of ions of the same mass to produce narrower peaks?

Delayed Extraction

Reflector TOF Mass Analyzer

2. DELAYED EXTRACTION

Delayed Extraction (DE) improves performance


3. DELAYED EXTRACTION

A "delayd extraction".

This is basically a time delay

between ion generation and allowing the ions to go into the flight tube.

This, in a way, cools the ions and **Narrows their initial kinetic energy distribution**, so they start with more uniform kinetic energies improving resolution.

DELAYED EXTRACTION



TIME OF FLIGHT TOF

The mass-to-charge ratio of an ion is proportional to the square of its drift

time ($T_{ime} O_f F_{light}$)



t	=	Drift time
l	—	Drift time

- L = Drift length
- m = Mass
- K = Kinetic energy of ion
- z = Number of charges on ion

5. REFLECTRON

MALDI TOF MS

Moderní hmotnostně spektrometrická metoda



Schéma přístroje MALDI TOF

What is a reflector TOF analyzer?

A single stage gridded ion mirror that subjects the ions to a uniform repulsive electric field to reflect them.



The reflector or ion mirror compensates for the initial energy spread of ions of the same mass coming from the ion source, and improves resolution.

A reflector focuses ions to give better mass resolution



Reflector



Resolution & mass accuracy on mellitin







INORGANIC MATERIALS?

PEPTIDES, PROTEINS PROTEOMICS BIOMOLECULES TISSUE IMAGING

+TOF

Matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization mass spectrometry (MALDI-MS)





INORGANIC COMPOUNDS MATERIALS NANO-MATERIALS SURFACES Laser ablation synthesis

Examples:







Fullerene

Nanotubes



Nanodiamonds

Nanoparticles



Nanorods

Nanomaterials

Silver or silver nanoparticles: a hazardous threat to the environment and human health?



N. R. Panyala, E. M. Pena/Mendez, et al. Silver or silver nanoparticles: a hazardous1 threat to the environment and human health? *J. Appl. Biomed.* **2008**, 6 117.

NANO GOLD

Structure of selected Nano-gold clusters

• Au_1 - Au_8 planar, higher 3D



cation neutral anion Structure of clusters e.g. like AU₇ is different for cation, neutral and anion • Structures of some higher gold clusters:

• Structures of some higher gold clusters:



Au₁-Au₆ clusters

Titanium carbide, TiC







Titanium Carbide – DLC composite MAGNETRONE SPUTTERING



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SURFACE ANALYSIS

and

CLEANING via PLASMA TREATMENT

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FIGURE X



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LASER ABLATION synthesis

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Is first of all used for analysis peptides-proteins In Proteomics

PROTEOMICS



use of MALDI TOF MS

peptides-proteins in Proteomics But also

i) inorganic compounds and nano-materials

(ii) adsorbed organic and/or inorganic compounds on various surfaces

(iii) Elucidate chemical structure of coordination polymers MOF's

(iv) Laser Ablation Synthesis

MALDI-> SALDI -> SELDI -> NALDI

Surface AssistedLDISurface EnhancedLDINAno ParticlesLDI
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Gold nanoparticles (GNPs) used as a drug carriers



Cell

EXPLOADING Gold nanoparticles



Nano photothermolysis of cancer cells

R. R. Letfullin, et al. Laser induced explosion of gold nanoparticles: potential role 76 for nanophotothermolysis of cancer. *Nanomedicine* **2006**, 1, 473.

Titanium carbide, TiC



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Titanium carbide, TiC

RESULTS:

Ti-C films were found to be composites of

- (i) pure and hydrogenated TiC
- (ii) **titanium oxycarbides,** and $[Ti_{8(9)}C_nO_p:H]$.
- (iii) titanium oxides of various degrees of hydrogenation
 (all embedded in an amorphous and/or diamond-like carbon matrix).

(iv)Hydrogenated titanium oxycarbide is was the main component of the surface layer, whereas while deeper layers are were composed mostly primarily of TiC and titanium oxides (also embedded in the carbon matrix).
 [Ti8C25O10H8], [Ti8C25O10H9], and [Ti8C25O10H10]

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CARBIDES, NITRIDES,

Boron nitrides

 P_3N_5

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Boron nitrides

 P_3N_5

Applications

Ceramic applications

- -sintering additives
- -pigments
- -ionic conductors
- -microporous materials
- -for the doping of semiconductors

Aims

-to study laser ablation ionization of solid P_3N_5 and analyse $P_mN_n^{+/-}$ clusters formed in order to understand the formation of phosphorus-nitrogen clusters -and/or also to check the possibility of <u>generating nitrogen rich compounds</u> <u>As POSSIBLE_HIGH ENERGY CONTENT MATERIALS</u>

LDI TOF MS



Matrices

- 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB)
- fullerene (C_{60})
- a-cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid (CHC)
- 1,8-dihydroxy-9[10H]-anthracenone (DIT)
- 3-hydroxypicolinic acid (HPA)
- trans-2-[3-(4-terc-butylphenyl)-2-methyl-2-propenylidene]malononitrile (TMN)
- 2-amino-5-nitropyridine (ANP)
- Sulfur
- Selenium



TMN





S. D. Pangavhane, L. Hebedová, M. Alberti and J. Havel, Laser ablation synthesis of new phosphorus nitride clusters from α-P3N5. Laser desorption ionization and MALDI time of flight mass spectrometry, Rapid Commun. Mass Spectrom., Rapid Commun. Mass Spectrom. 2011, 25, 1(wileyonlinelibrary.com) DOI: 10.1002/rcm.4937.

Summary

Phosphorus nitride

- Many new N_n and binary P_mN_n cluster ions were identified in positive and negative ion modes
- ➢ It was found that HPA is the most suitable matrix to generate nitrogen rich $P_m N_n$ clusters in positive ion mode
- high nitrogen clusters (up to N₁₅⁻) generated by laser from a solid material are described for the first time







CHALCOGENIDE GLASSES

Chalcogenide elements in Mendeleev Table



p-block

Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

Chalcogenide glasses





Se



transmit focus light









Pulsed laser deposition



Phase change random access memory chip



Scientific instruments



Chalcogenide glass photonic chip



Push internet speeds



Infrared technology in communication

Main advantages for this technology are:

- -stable and scalable communication method.
 -high-speed communication with low cost.
 -does not interfere nor is it disturbed by other radiofrequency devices.
- -Information is secured
- -license free and can be used worldwide.

Live-Cell based bio-optic sensors

-Live human lung cells are coated onto an IR transparent chalcogenide glasses fibres

-Biochemical change in the living cells

-Detection minute quantities of bio-hazardous and toxic molecules



Minimally invasive surgery Fibre optic camera for endoscopy







An arthroscope uses optical fibers to form an image of the damged cartilage, which it sends to a television monitor that helps the surgeon perform surgery. (Illustration by Argosy Inc.)

Gastroscopy



Colonoscopy



Growth of Brain tumour

3D image of brain helps to understand growth of tumour




What is the structure for?



Glass sample deposited on target

Isotopic envelope

Theoretical model



Composition of the glasses studied

As-Se

 $AsSe_2$, As_2Se_3 , As_4Se_4 , As_4Se_3 , and As_7Se_3

As-S-Se

 $As_{33}S_{33.5}Se_{33.5}$, $As_{33}S_{50}Se_{17}$, and $As_{33}S_{17}Se_{50}$

Ga₅Ge₂₀Sb₁₀S₆₅

Er doping: 0.05, 0.1, 0.5 w.%

As_pSe_r: Glasses of the composition studied

$$AsSe_2 \\ Selenium rich \\ As_2Se_3$$
 Selenium rich
$$As_4Se_4 \longrightarrow 1:1$$

$$As_4Se_3 \\ Arsenic rich \\ As_7Se_3$$



Effect of laser energy: As₇Se₃ Glass







Intensity [a. u.]





As₃₃S₁₇Se₅₀ Glass

(A)



As₃₃S_{33.5}Se_{33.5} glass



 $As_{33}S_{50}Se_{17}$ glass



 $As_{33}S_{17}Se_{50}$ Glass



Clusters common to all samples



Spectra of bulk and nano layer of glasses



Er Doped glass: Ga-Ge-Sb-S

Erbium doped $Ga_5Ge_{25}Sb_{10}S_{60}$ glass

- 1. Suitable thermo-mechanical properties for optical fibre drawing
- 2. Gallium allows better solubilisation of erbium ions
- Erbium posses mid-IR emission around 4.5 μm IR emissions beyond 3 μm are scarcely reported using other rare earth elements (Terbium, Dysprosium, Holmium, Thulium, etc).

Ga₅Ge₂₀Sb₁₀S₆₅ glass

Er doping: 0.05, 0.1, 0.5 w.%



- Laser action

Fiber amplifier and near/mid infrared laser devices

- IR emission at std telecommunication wavelength ${\sim}1540~{\rm nm}$







$Ga_5Ge_{20}Sb_{10}S_{65}$ glass Er 0.1 w.%









Raman Spectra



 $[GeS_{4/2}] \ tetrahedra$

~330-340 cm⁻¹

 $[GaS_{4/2}]$ tetrahedra

~320 cm⁻¹

[SbS_{3/2}] pyramids ~290-300 cm⁻¹

STRUCTURE of CLUSTERS

Structures: series of clusters Arsenic:chalcogen = 3:3 and 3:4



Structures: series of clusters Arsenic:chalcogen = 3:3 and 3:4



Mass spectra of a mixture (1:1) of As₂S₃ and S₈ as precursors



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Comparison of theoretical and experimental mass spectra of AsS₇⁺



Some structures of AsS_n (n=1-7) clusters were demonstrated by QUANTUM CHEMISTRY MODELLING



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Do Mass Spectra Reflect Condensed-Phase Chemistry of Glasses?

YES,

Mass spectrometry is giving (some) information about the structure of the glasses



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m/z









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What is the structure of chalcogenide glasses





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CRYSTALS

SEMi. CRYSTALS

Are chalcogenide glasses SEMI-CRYSTALS or even less organized

CHAOTIC CRYSTALS (Havel's term)



LASER ABLATION SYNTHESIS

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Gold carbides Gold arsenides

Gold phosphides

Gold tellurides Gold selenides

Precursor: mixture of elements or compounds = TOF MS analysis

Gold phosphides Applications

Gold Phosphide is a semiconductor used in

(i) high power, high frequency applications

(ii) laser diodes

(iii) biomedical technology

(iv) fabrication of high purity gold phosphide sputtering targets - useful in semiconductor, chemical vapour deposition (CVD) and physical vapour deposition (PVD) display and optical applications

Gold phosphide sputtering target

Au₆P₃ unit cell



Two phenyl rings bound to each phosphorus are not shown.

P. Sevillano, O. Fuhr, E. Matern, D. Fenske. Synthesis, Crystal structure and Spectroscopic Characterization of $[Au_{12}(PPh)_2(P_2Ph_2)_2(dppm)_4Cl_2]Cl_2$. *Z. Anorg. Allg. Chem.* **2006**, 632, 735-738.

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Au₄P₆ heterocycle

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Gold phosphides



These compounds contain a framework of condensed Au_2P_6 and Au_4P_6 rings forming parallel channels, which are filled by lead, thallium, or mercury atoms.

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LASER ABLATION SYNTHESIS of gold phosphides from NANOGOLD and RED PHOSPHORUS

precursors

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Table. Overview of clusters detected in plasma plume via laser desorption ionisation of redphosphorus +nanogold mixture $Au_m P_n$ clusters observed (excess of gold)

Positive ion mode

	<i>n</i> =0	$Au^{+} Au_{2}^{+} Au_{3}^{+} Au_{4}^{+} Au_{5}^{+} Au_{6}^{+} Au_{7}^{+} Au_{8}^{+} Au_{9}^{+} Au_{10}^{+} Au_{11}^{+} Au_{11}^{+}$
		Au_{12}^+
	<i>m</i> =0	$P_2^+ P_3^+ P_4^+ P_5^+ P_6^+ P_7^+ P_{14}^+ P_{15}^+ P_{16}^+ P_{17}^+$
	m=1	$AuP_{2}^{+}AuP_{2}^{+}AuP_{6}^{+}AuP_{6}^{+}AuP_{8}^{+}AuP_{50}^{+}$
	<i>m</i> =2	$Au_2P^{+}Au_2P_2^{+}Au_2P_3^{+}Au_2P_4^{+}Au_2P_6^{+}Au_2P_7^{+}Au_2P_7^{+}Au_2P_1^{+}$
	2	Au_2P_{15} , Au_2P_{16}
	m=3	$Au_3P' Au_3P_2 Au_3P_3 Au_3P_4 Au_3P_5 Au_3P_6 Au_3P_6 Au_3P_8 Au_3P_9 Au_3P_{14}$
	m=4	Au_4P' Au_4P_2' Au_4P_3' Au_4P_4' Au_4P_5' Au_4P_6' Au_4P_7' Au_4P_8'
	-	Au ₄ P_9 Au ₄ P_{14} Au ₄ P_{15} Au ₄ P_{16}
	m=5	Ausp $AusP_2$ Aus P_2 Aus P_3 Aus P_4 Aus P_5 Aus P_6 Aus P_{14} Aus P_{16}
	m=0	$Au_6P' Au_6P_2' Au_6P_3' Au_6P_4' Au_6P_5' Au_6P_6'$
	m=7	Au_7P Au_7P_2 Au_7P_2 Au_7P_3 Au_7P_4 Au_7P_5 Au_7P_6 Au_7P_7
	$m=\delta$	Au ₈ P' Au ₈
	<i>m</i> =9	Au ₉ P Au ₉ P_2 Au ₉ P_2 Au ₉ P_4 Au ₉ P_5 Au ₉ P_6 Au ₉ P_7 Au ₉ P_8 Au ₉ P_9
	m-10	AugP ₁₀ AugP ₁ D^+ AugD ₁
	m=10	Autor Autors Autors Autors Autors Autors Autors Autors Autors $Autors$
		Autor 15 Autor 15 Au
	m = 11 m = 12	Au ₁ Γ
	<i>m</i> =12	Au[2]
 	Positiva ion mode	Au _n r, clusters observed (excess of phosphorus)
	n=0	A^{+} Au + Au +
	m=0	Au Au ₂ Au ₃ Au ₄ $D_{+}^{+} D_{+}^{+} D_{+}^{+}$
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	1 22	P_{23}^{+} P_{34}^{+} P_{23}^{+} P_{34}^{+} $P_{$
	\mathbf{P}_{42}^+	· 23 · 24 · 25 · 20 · 21 · 28 · 29 · 31 · 32 · 33 · 33 · 31 · 39 · 41
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