



SpectraView[™] Series

AFM-Raman-TERS One System - All Configurations, All Modes of Operation

AFM & Raman

Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM) provides a variety of nanometric characterizations such as topography, conductivity, and thermal measurements. While very effective at measuring certain properties, AFM can not identify the chemical composition of a given material.

Raman spectroscopy, however, has emerged as a critical technique in the field of chemical characterization, accurately identifying and classifying materials in a number of diverse fields and industries such as: material science, chemistry, biophysics, semiconductors, and many more.



*WS*₂*MoS*₂ *heterostructure characterized with colocalized AFM (left) KPFM (center) and Raman (right)*



Colocalized AFM (L) and Raman (R) images of polymer blend



The integration of AFM and Raman addresses a known challenge in far-field Raman microscopy: maintaining uniform focus on samples with variant morphology. With on-line AFM, the sample is brought to the same focal point at every pixel with nanoscale precision, generating a true Raman image with no out-of-focus artifacts.

Combining AFM with Raman

Harnessing the power of these two techniques enables a synergistic and holistic analysis of a given material. As early as 2001, Nanonics Imaging exhibited the foresight to combine the advantages of AFM and Raman by providing an integrated platform. The joint AFM-Raman system allows for the strength and versatility of all modes of AFM (including mechanical, thermal, SECM, and electrical) combined with the chemical characterization of Raman.

Nearly two decades later, Nanonics Imaging continues to be at the vanguard of integrated optical AFM-Raman systems, providing solutions in the most challenging areas of research and in the most innovative fields in applied sciences:

- Graphene and 2D materials
- Carbon Nanotubes
- Semiconductor metrology
- Biological samples

AFM – Raman Proven Nanonics Results Across the Spectrum

Multiprobe CAFM Raman





AFM-Raman collage of lignin distribution on wood cell walls

AFM Raman



AFM-Raman imaging of semiconductor

Nanalithography Raman



Multiprobe conductive AFM characterization with on-line monitoring of current and the 2D Raman scattering band of Graphene

The characterization power of SPM combined with Raman offers a broad nanoscale characterization combined with strong material confirmation, across a wide spectrum of applications.

CAFM Raman



Conductive AFM imaging with on-line monitoring of the Raman scattering G band of conducting SW CNTs

SThM Raman



Scanning thermal conductivity image (SThM) of GaN nanowire with on-line Raman *in vacuum environment* (ACS Nano, Vol. 5, No. 1, 2011)



Fountain pen nanolithography demonstrating controlled deposition of single wall CNTs with Raman determination of the CNT alignment (Nano Lett. 2016, 16, 1517-1522)

SECM Raman



SECM with on-line Raman monitoring of Cu etching

See more publications at: http://www.nanonics.co.il/publications-by-our-users

TERS – Achieving the Raman Potential

Tip Enhanced Raman Spectroscopy (TERS) has yielded exciting results, overcoming a previously insurmountable obstacle in Raman spectroscopy. With TERS, the AFM-Raman integration can reach its full potential, enabling both stronger signal and nanometric sub-diffraction Raman resolution. Nanonics Imaging AFM-Raman systems are uniquely designed to achieve the most challenging TERS measurements with the highest resolution, with repeatable and user-friendly operation.

This sub-diffraction resolution is increasingly important in analyzing today's newest materials on the nanoscale.



Cover paper in The Analyst (vol. 138(11), 2013, 3150-3157) showing TERS measurements on protein ligand bindings

User-Friendly & Reliable TERS Operation

- TERS Hot-Spot "Lock-In": quick and easy finding of the TERS hot-spot
- Accurate TERS measurements on a variety of samples
- Highest quality TERS probes
- All TERS configuration possible with one system:
 - Reflection
 - Transmission
 - Side-Illumination
- Proven TERS operation on the widest spectrum of samples



All TERS configurations are available with the same AFM Raman system



3 point TERS measurement on a sample comprised of a thin layer of strained Si on bulk Si. Automated 3 point Raman measurements allow for mapping both the far-field and TERS effect at each point, as well as their difference. The difference map shows the pure TERS effect without any contribution of the far-field background

Real TERS on Real Samples



TERS of CuPc molecules on MoS2 substrate (Journal of Selected Topics in Quantam Electronics, vol. 23, no. 2, 2017)

TERS of Strained Si



TERS of strained SiGe pattern on bulk Si. The thin SiGe lines are not visible in the far-field but are clearly seen with TERS (bottom half), demonstrating features down to 40 nm. (Proc. of SPIE vol. 9424)

TERS of Si Nanowire



TERS of 50 nm Si Nanowire (arXiv preprint arXiv:1705.08622 (2017))

TERS of Graphene

TERS of Cells



TERS for selective detection of RGD-Integrin binding in cancer cells (Anal. Chem 2016, 88, 6547-6553)

Proven TERS results on a variety of samples, with nearly 2 decades of illustrious academic publications



D-band monitoring of the doping distribution in monolayer Graphene flake on SiO₂/ Si substrate by TERS (Carbon 111, 2017, 67-73)

TERS of Single Layer Graphene



Difference TERS for identifying single layer Graphene

TERS of GaN Nanowire





Study of impurities in single GaN nanowires by TERS {Appl. Phys. Lett. 107, 123108 (2015)}

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Key Features

The SpectraView is designed to generate exceptional results from both the AFM and the on-line Raman. Featuring VISTA (Vivid Imaging Soft Touch AFM), the system enables AFM imaging with the highest resolution. The SpectraView is the only AFM designed for natural Raman integration, not requiring any modification to the Raman optical path.

Best Optical Integration

- True optical compatibility:
 - Operate with high NA objectives
 - Integrate with water and oil immersion objectives
- All optical configurations available in one configuration:
 - True upright integration
 - Side
 - Inverted

AFM Designed for Advanced Raman Integration

- Tuning fork feedback without any optical interference with Raman laser
- Advanced SPM measurements with on-line Raman
- Ultra large Z range
- Manipulation and lithography with online Raman
- TERS operation in a wide variety of applications
- VISTA for AFM imaging of the most challenging samples in air and liquid

Most Versatile System

- Scanning options: tip and sample scanning in one scanning head
- Optical integration options: Sit on microscope, separate, upright, inverted, side, or dual
- Large sample stage (optional)
- Compatible in a range of environmental conditions:
 - Vacuum
 - Liquid
 - Low temperature
 - SECM



Nanonics AFM-Raman system enables integration of water immersion objective from above for high Raman collection efficiency in liquid with on-line AFM.

Inset: Unobstructed image from above of sample and probe in liquid environment, highlighting Nanonics natural top-down integrations. The Nanonics system employs glass cantilevered AFM and TERS probes, providing for complete optical integration.



Nanonics single probe system allowing for topside-bottom illumination in one setup for all Raman and TERS configurations

Configurations

Customize for YOUR research specifications and needs

Probe Quantity

Single Probe SpectraView



- Developed for ease-of-use and flexibility for easy integration with any Raman
- Compact and flat design

Multi-Probe SpectraView (Up to 4 SPM probes)



- Simultaneous probing of multiple measurements of your sample
- Probe station for conductive AFM measurements with on-line Raman
- On-line manipulation and characterization

Integration Options

Complete AFM-Raman-TERS Package

Nanonics offers a complete turn-key package – with complete AFM-Raman-TERS capability.

Upgrade Package

Already have a spectrometer?

Nanonics offers the broadest selection of hardware and software integration packages – compatible with all of the leading Raman providers



Direct Integration on the stage of any Raman system





Integration with an additional optical microscope (up-right, inverted , dual)



Upgrade your own monochromater & CCD



Low temperature SPM system integrated with Raman microscope



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