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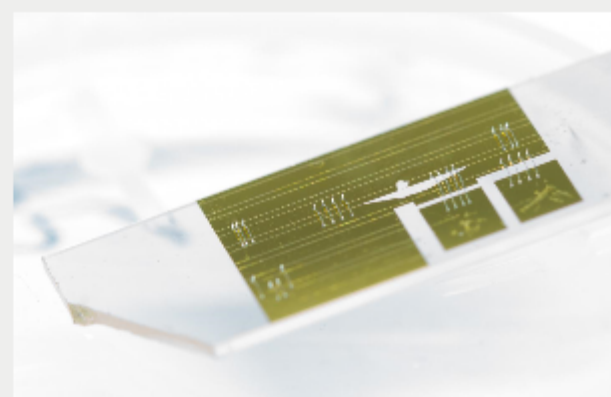
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Compact IR Spectrometer Fits on a Chip

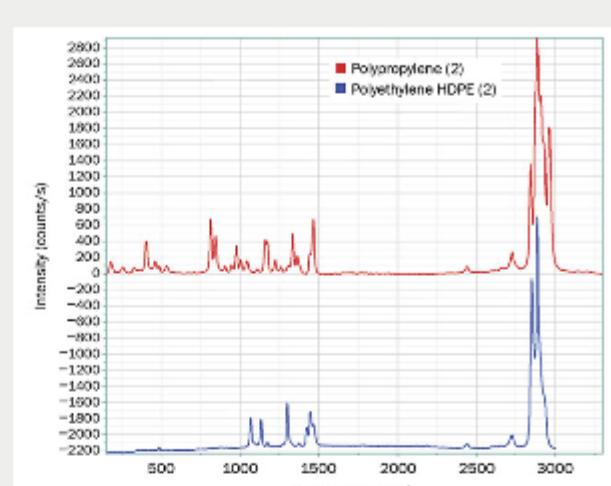
In an advance for smartphone spectroscopy, researchers at ETH Zurich have developed a chip about 2 square centimeters in size that can be used with a smartphone to analyze infrared (IR) light in the same way a conventional spectrometer would.



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Characterizing Microplastics with Raman Spectroscopy

As the need to manage plastic waste increases, researchers are using Raman spectroscopy to characterize the toxicity of polymers and identify their sources. Several technologies exist for characterizing microplastics, including pyrolysis gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), and Raman spectroscopy.



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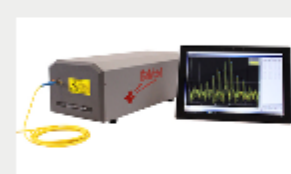
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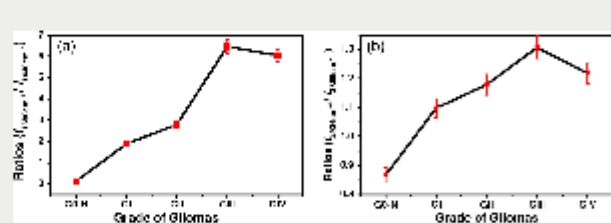
Iwan W. Schie, leader of the Multimodal Instrumentation work group in the Leibniz Institute of Photonic Technology's (IPHT's) Department of Spectroscopy and Imaging in Germany, shares his take on recent advancements in spectroscopy, exciting areas of research, and what the future holds for the field.



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Visible Resonance Raman Spectroscopy Could Advance Tumor Identification

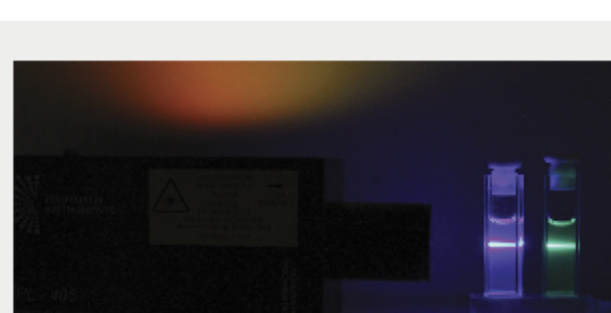
A team of researchers from the U.S. and China, led by Robert Alfano from City University of New York, has used visible resonance Raman (VRR) spectroscopy to identify and grade gliomas, a common tumor of the central nervous system. The researchers used in situ spectral biomarkers to identify the tissue from the interface between brain cancer and normal tissue and to evaluate glioma grades.



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Photoluminescence Spectroscopy Optimizes Perovskite Quantum Dots

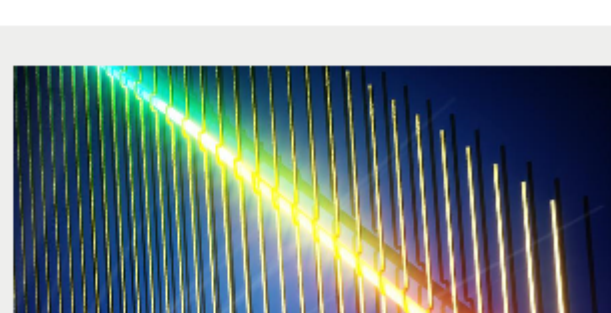
During research and development of perovskite QDs, the emission properties of synthesized QDs must be characterized and this information must then be used to refine subsequent designs and syntheses. The most powerful way to characterize the emission properties of these materials is by using photoluminescence spectroscopy.



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Single-Nanowire Spectrometer Operates Independently

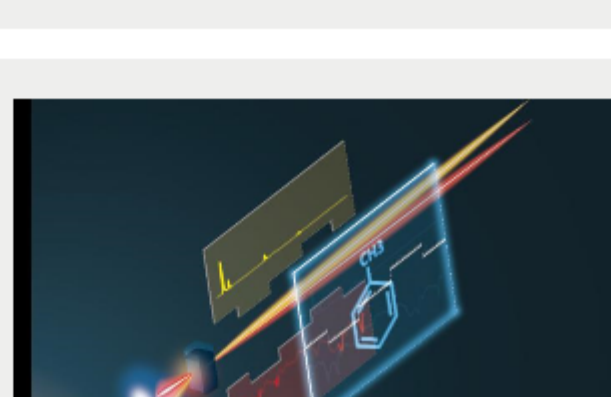
Scientists at the University of Cambridge have developed a microspectrometer based on a single, compositionally engineered nanowire that is independent of complex optical components or cavities. According to the researchers, it is the smallest spectrometer ever designed.



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Spectroscopy Technique Widens the Spectra for Measuring Molecular Structure

Researchers at the University of Tokyo have combined two current spectroscopy techniques — infrared absorption and Raman scattering spectroscopy — to create complementary vibrational spectroscopy. The new technique employs IR absorption and Raman scattering spectroscopy simultaneously.



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