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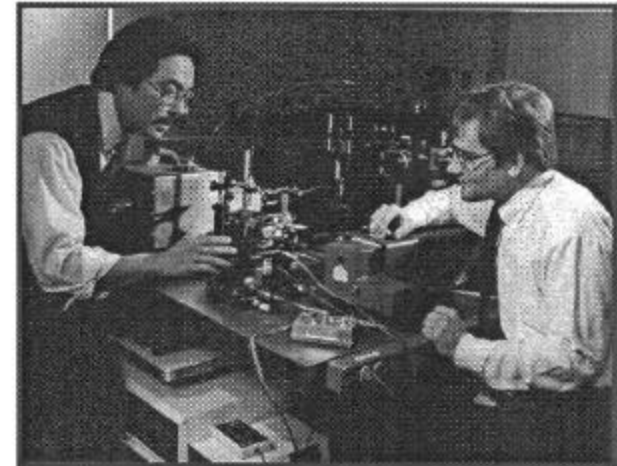
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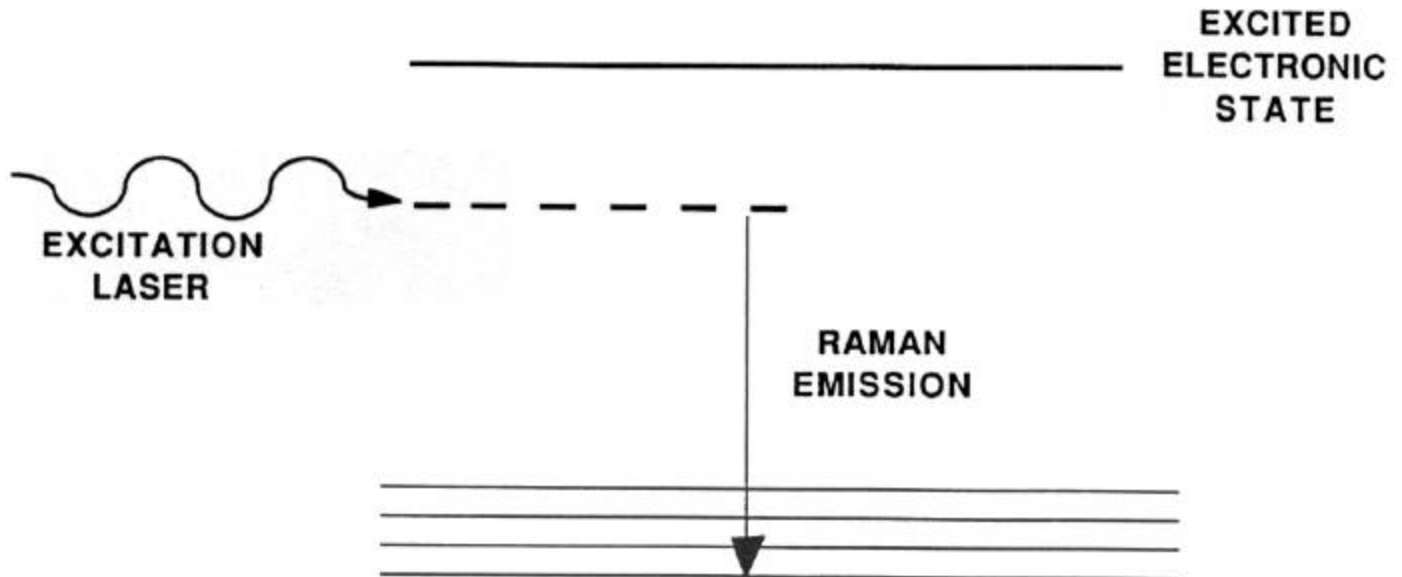
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**SURFACE-ENHANCED RAMAN
OPTICAL DATA STORAGE
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RAMAN EMISSION



- Raman Intensity is proportional to the Electric Field-Induced Dipole Moment, P , where

$$P = \alpha * E$$

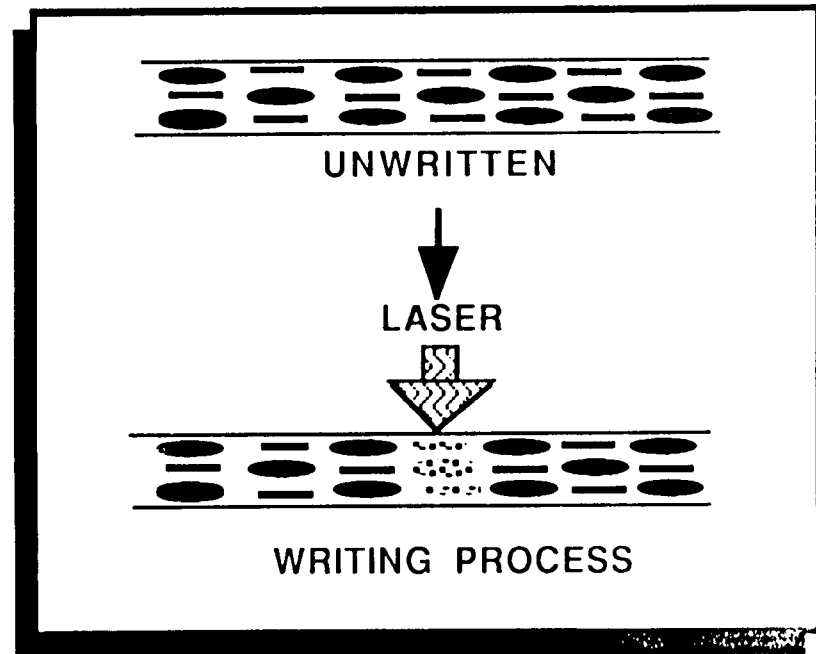
α = Molecular Polarizability

E = Electric Field Incident Upon The Molecule

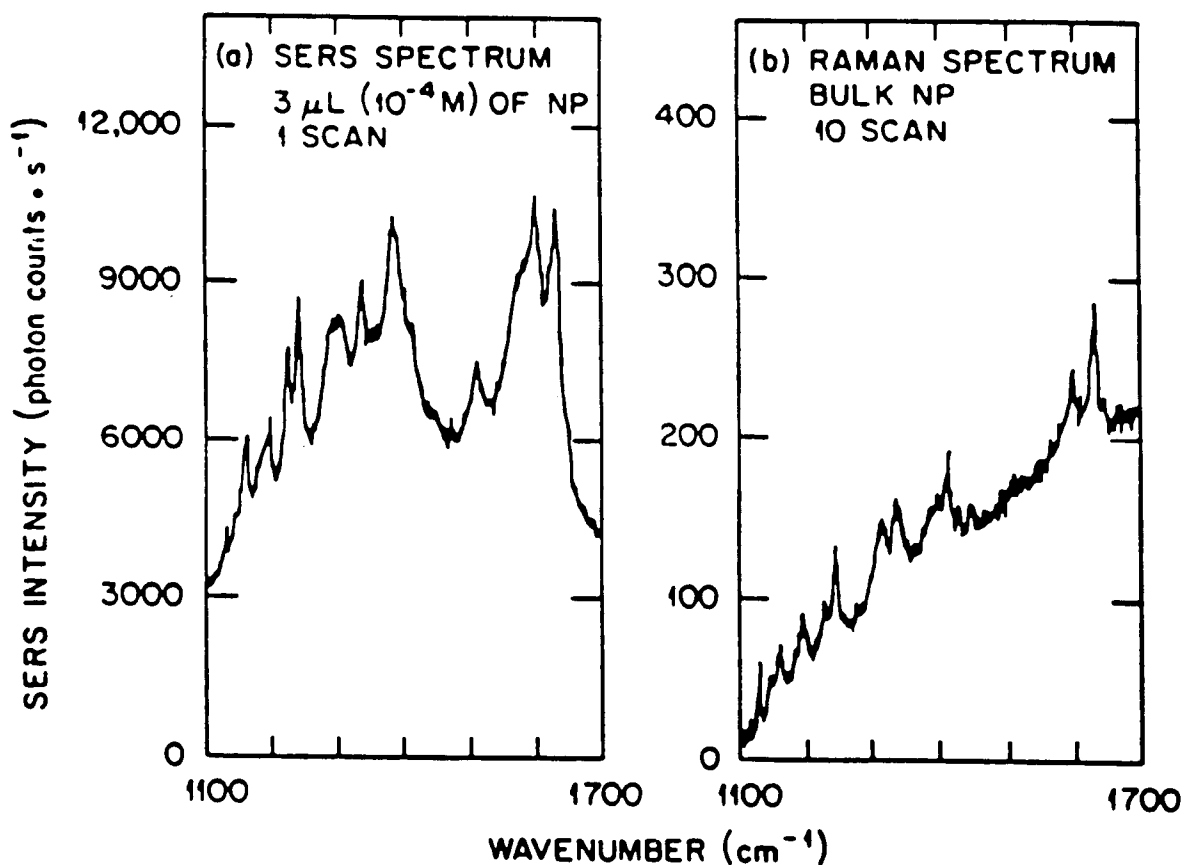
NEW CONCEPT FOR OPTICAL DATA STORAGE

- SURFACE-ENHANCED-RAMAN OPTICAL DATA STORAGE (SERODS) SYSTEM

- MOLECULAR ALTERATION OF MEDIUM BY LASER OR OTHER RADIATION



- DETECTION OF MOLECULE/MEDIUM INTERACTION = DATA BIT
- THEORETICAL LIMIT; SINGLE MOLECULE COULD REPRESENT ONE BIT



SURFACE-ENHANCED RAMAN EFFECT

RECENT STUDIES HAVE DISCOVERED THAT THE RAMAN CROSS-SECTION CAN BE ENHANCED BY FACTORS UP TO 10^8 WHEN A COMPOUND IS ADSORBED ON OR NEAR ROUGH METAL SURFACES

ELECTROMAGNETIC MODELS FOR SERS

SURFACE PLASMONS

"LIGHTNING ROD" EFFECT

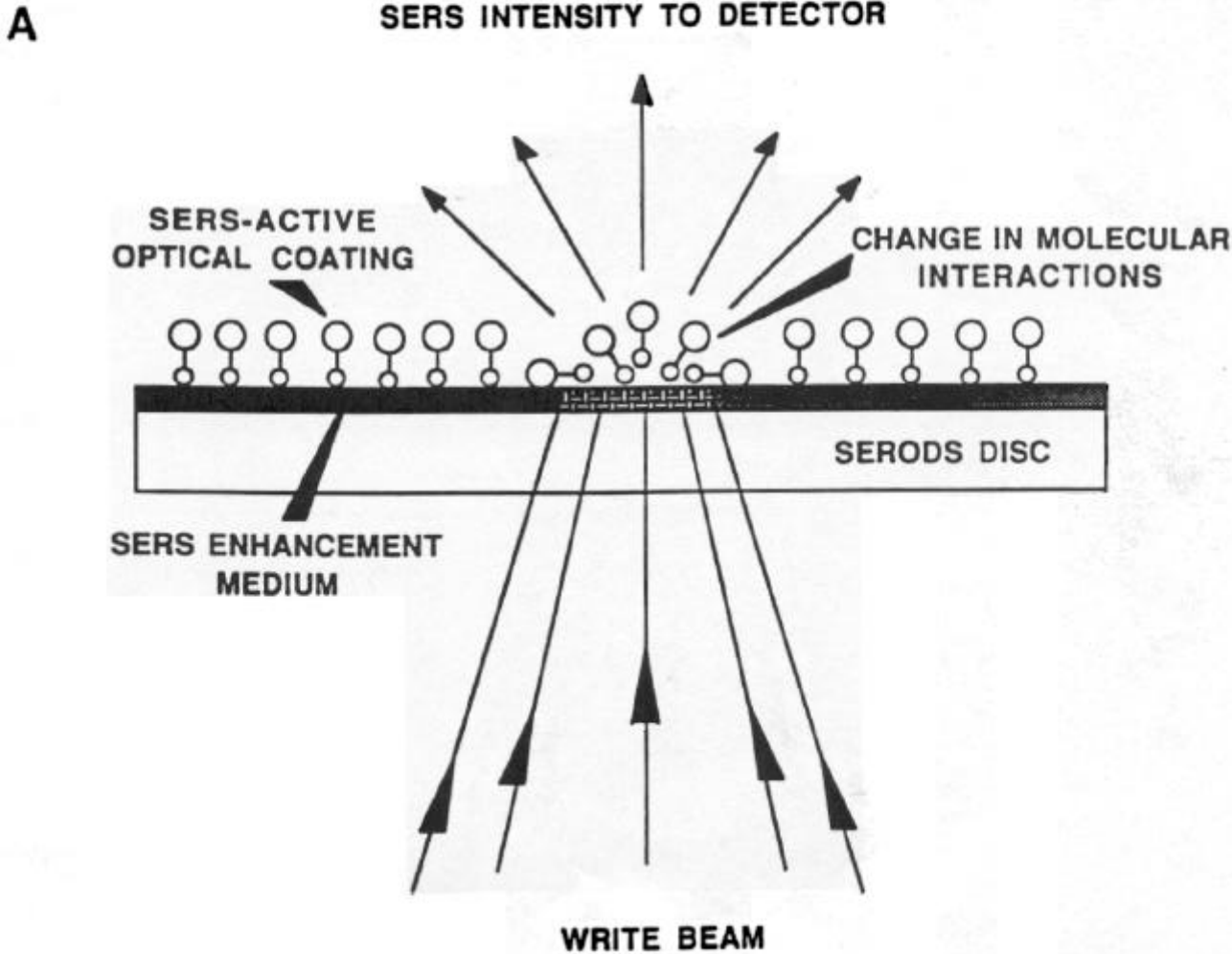
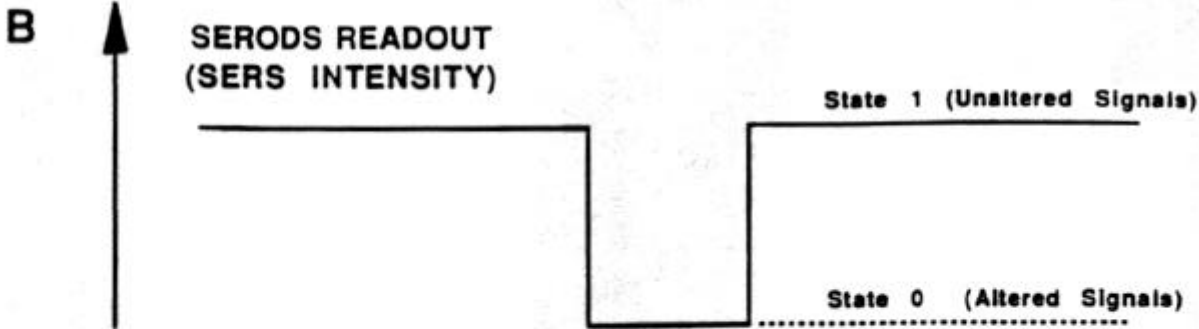
**POLARIZATION OF THE SURFACE BY DIPOLE-INDUCED
FIELDS IN ADSORBED MOLECULES ("IMAGE EFFECT")**

CHEMICAL EFFECTS IN SERS

**OVERLAP OF METAL AND ADSORBATE WAVEFUNCTIONS
(CHARGE-TRANSFER PROCESSES)**

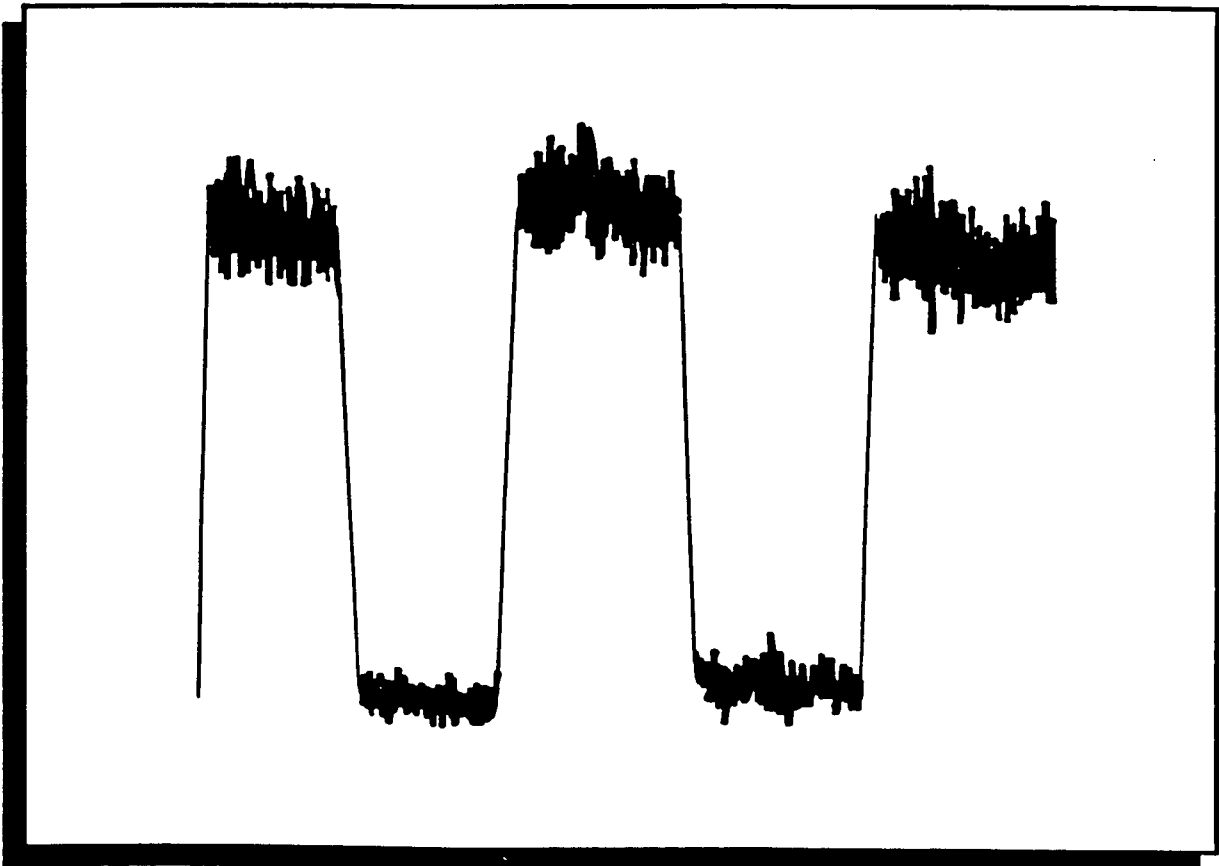
ADSORPTION EFFECTS

SERODS PROCESS



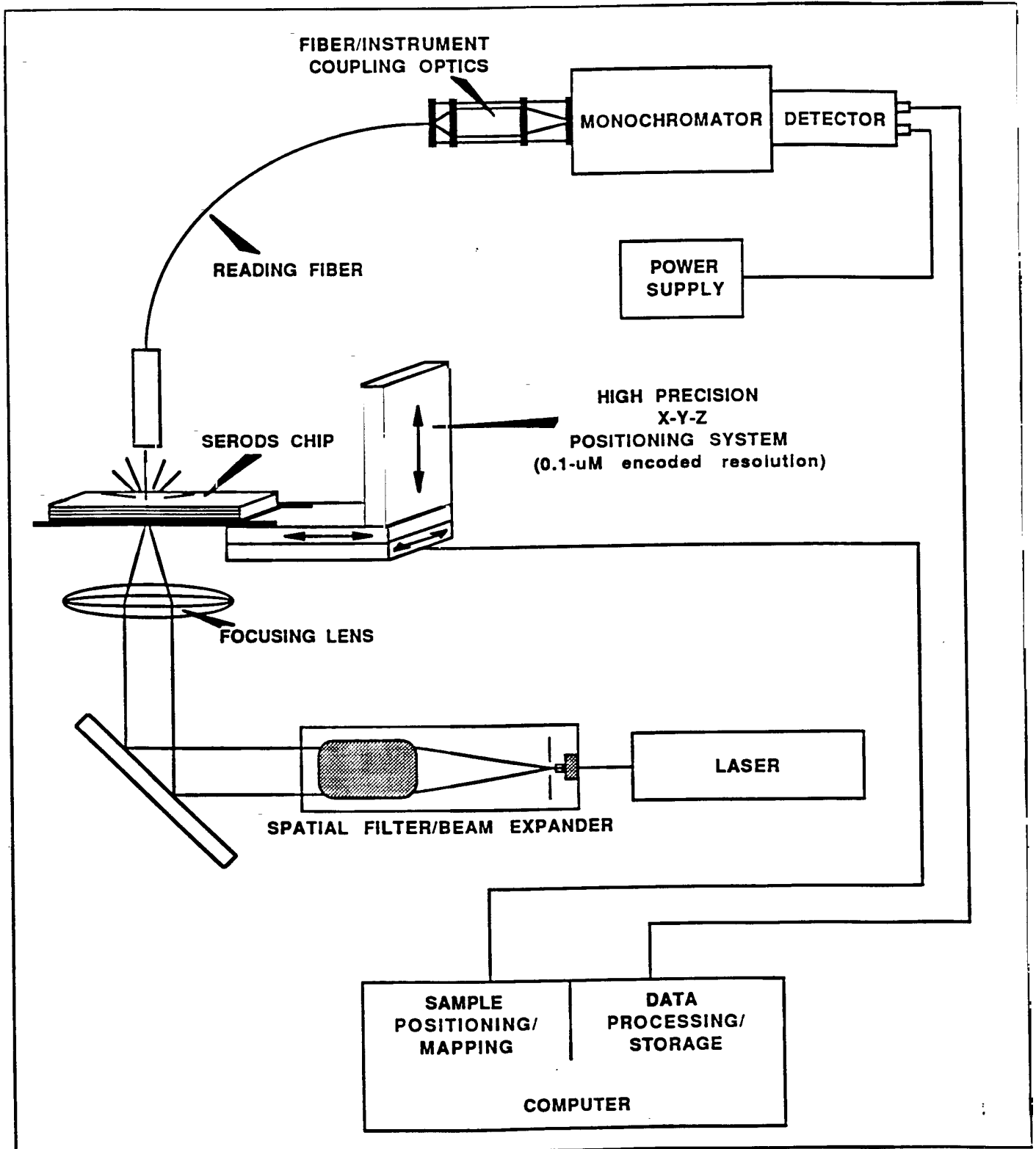
TECHNICAL APPROACH OF SERODS

The approach is based on the surface-enhanced Raman optical data storage (SERODS) technique, whereby the Raman signal of molecules adsorbed on special metallic substrates are enhanced up to several million times. A write laser is used to modify the molecular interactions of the molecule/substrate and to change the Raman signal for encoding information.

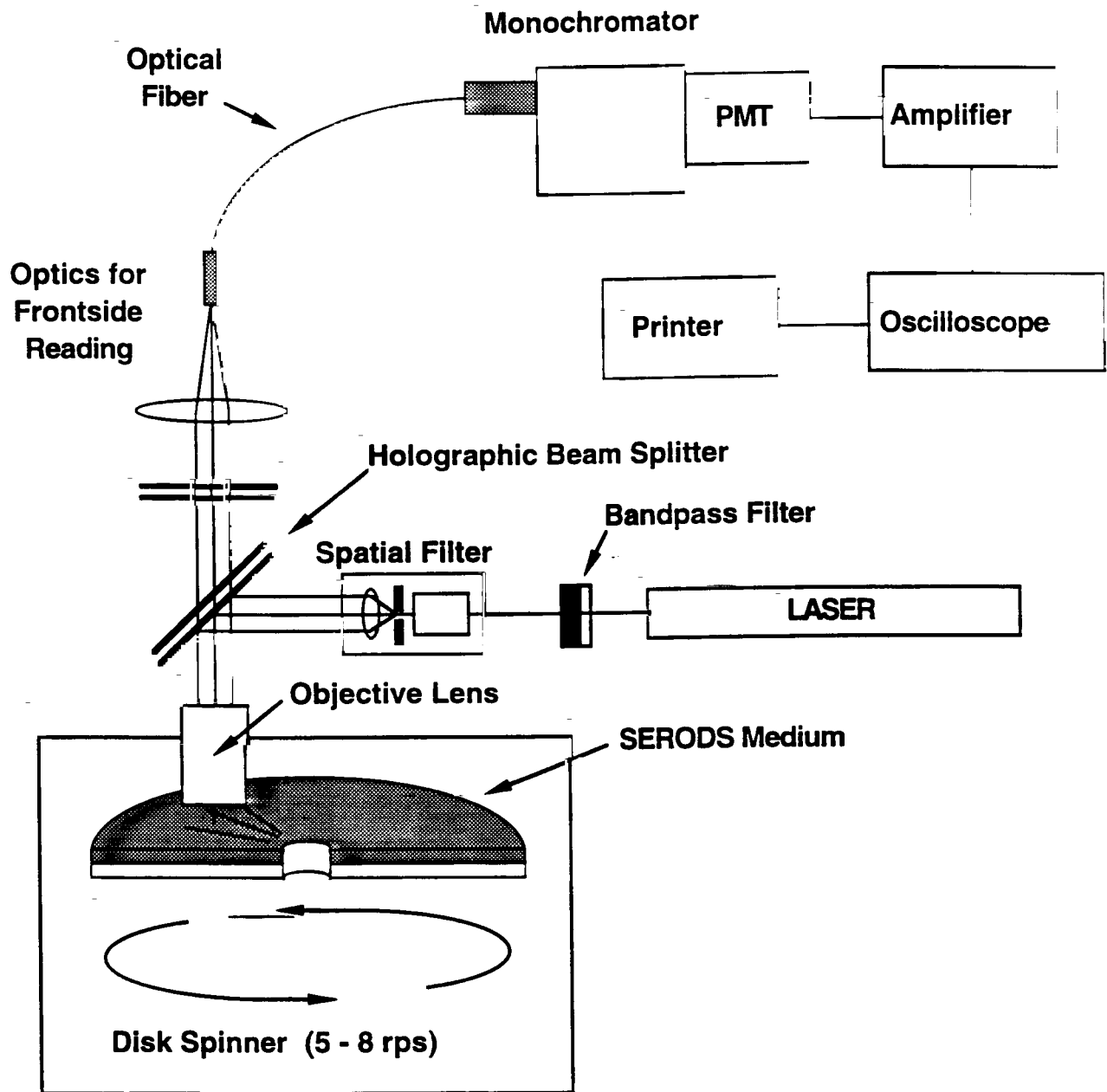


EXAMPLE OF SERODS READ-OUT PROCESS
(KRYPTON LASER - 647.1 NM)

SERODS SETUP



SERODS Reading System



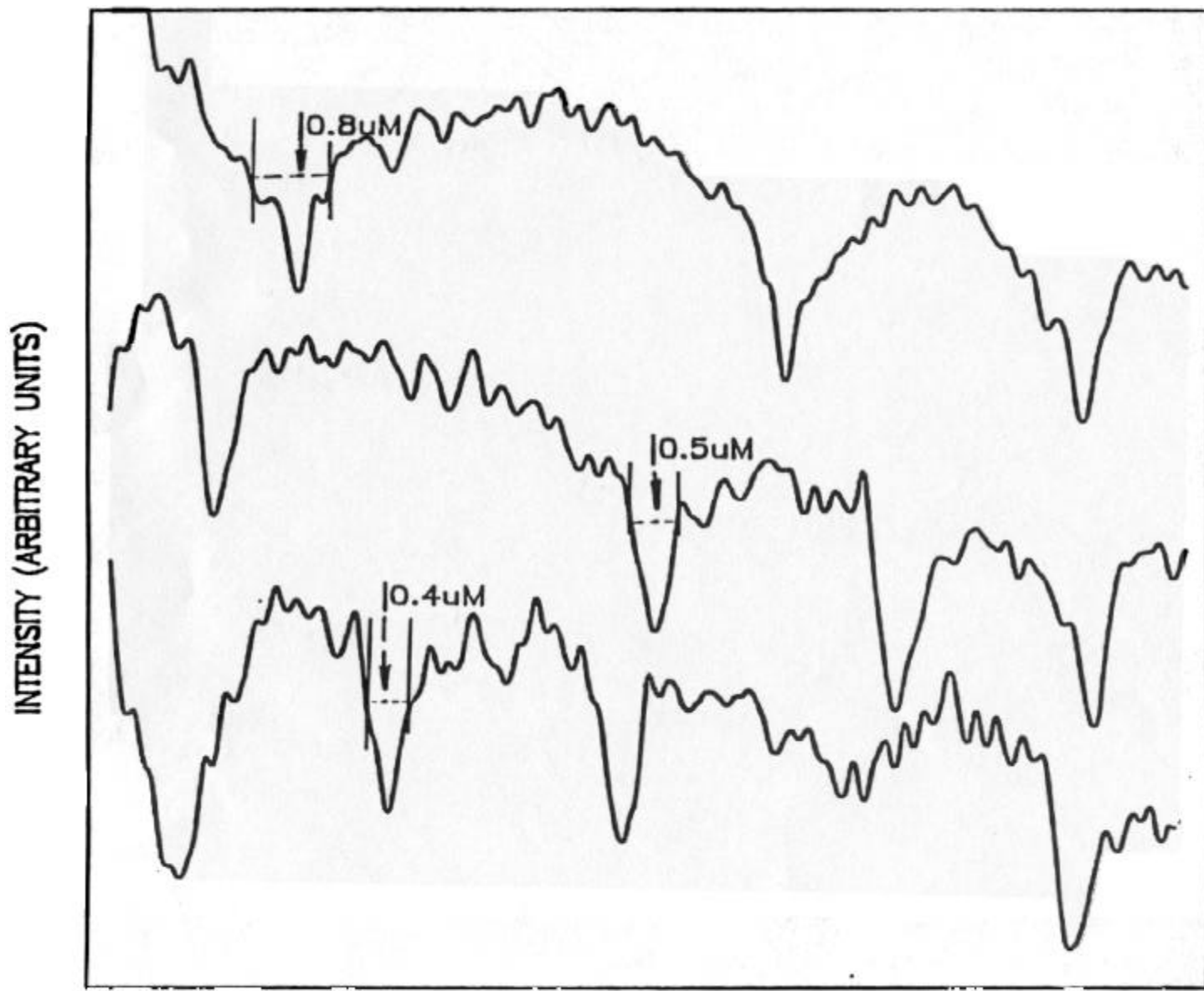
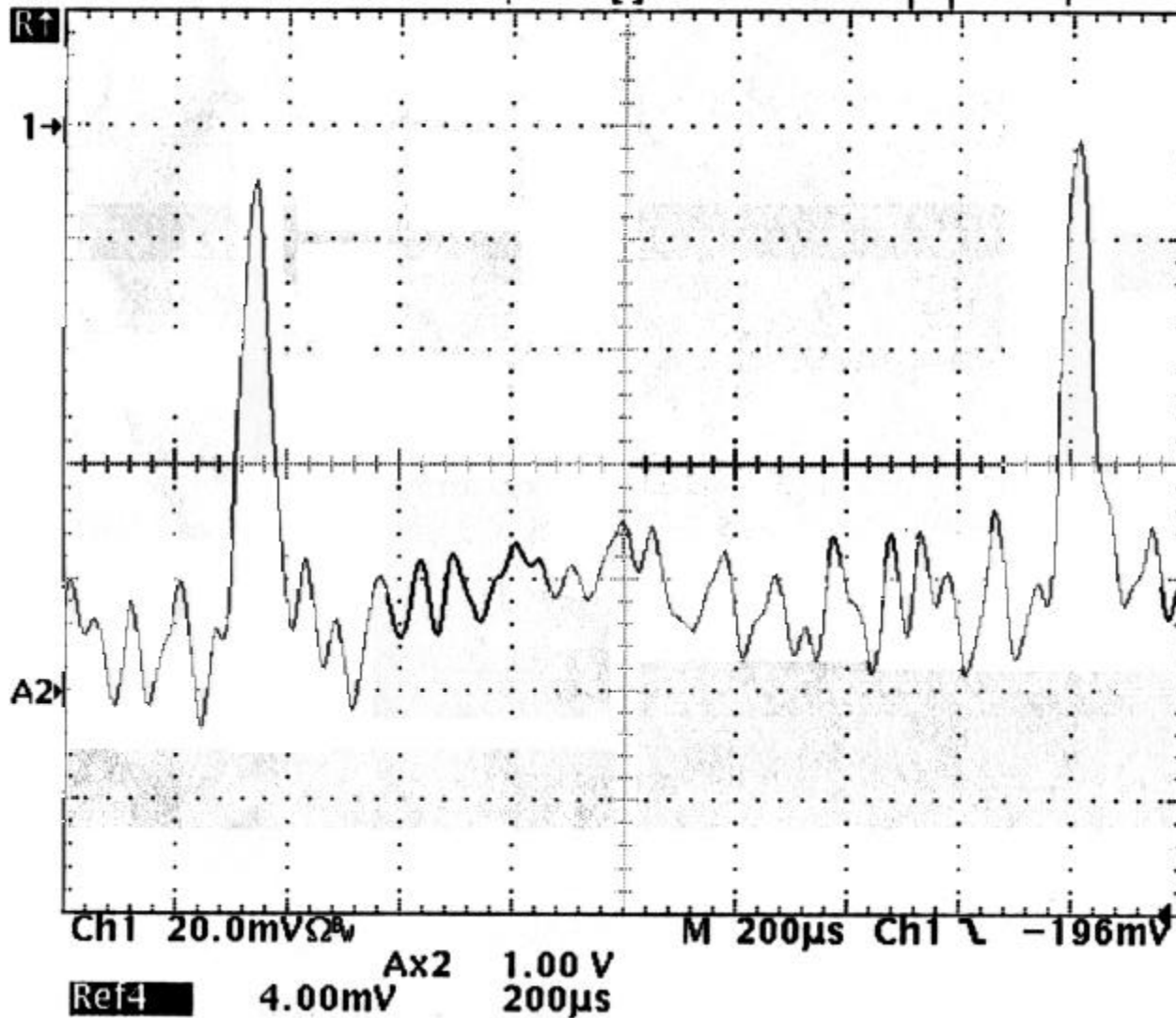


PLATE TRANSLATION

Tek Stop: 250kS/s

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SERODS

Recording Laser Parameters:

Recording λ : 647.1nm
Recording Power: 190 mW
Translation Speed: 1 mm/s

Read Laser Parameters:

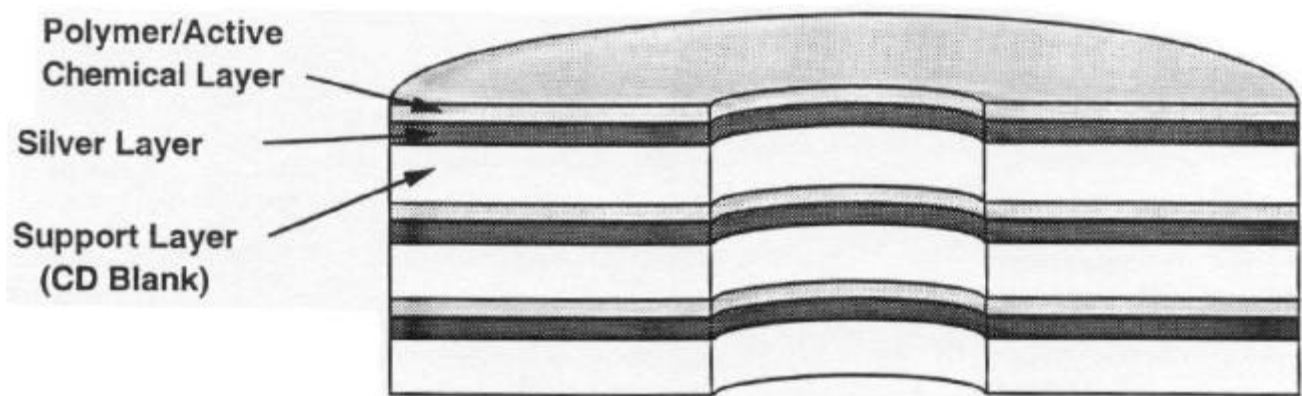
Read λ : 632.8 nm
Read Power: 5 mW

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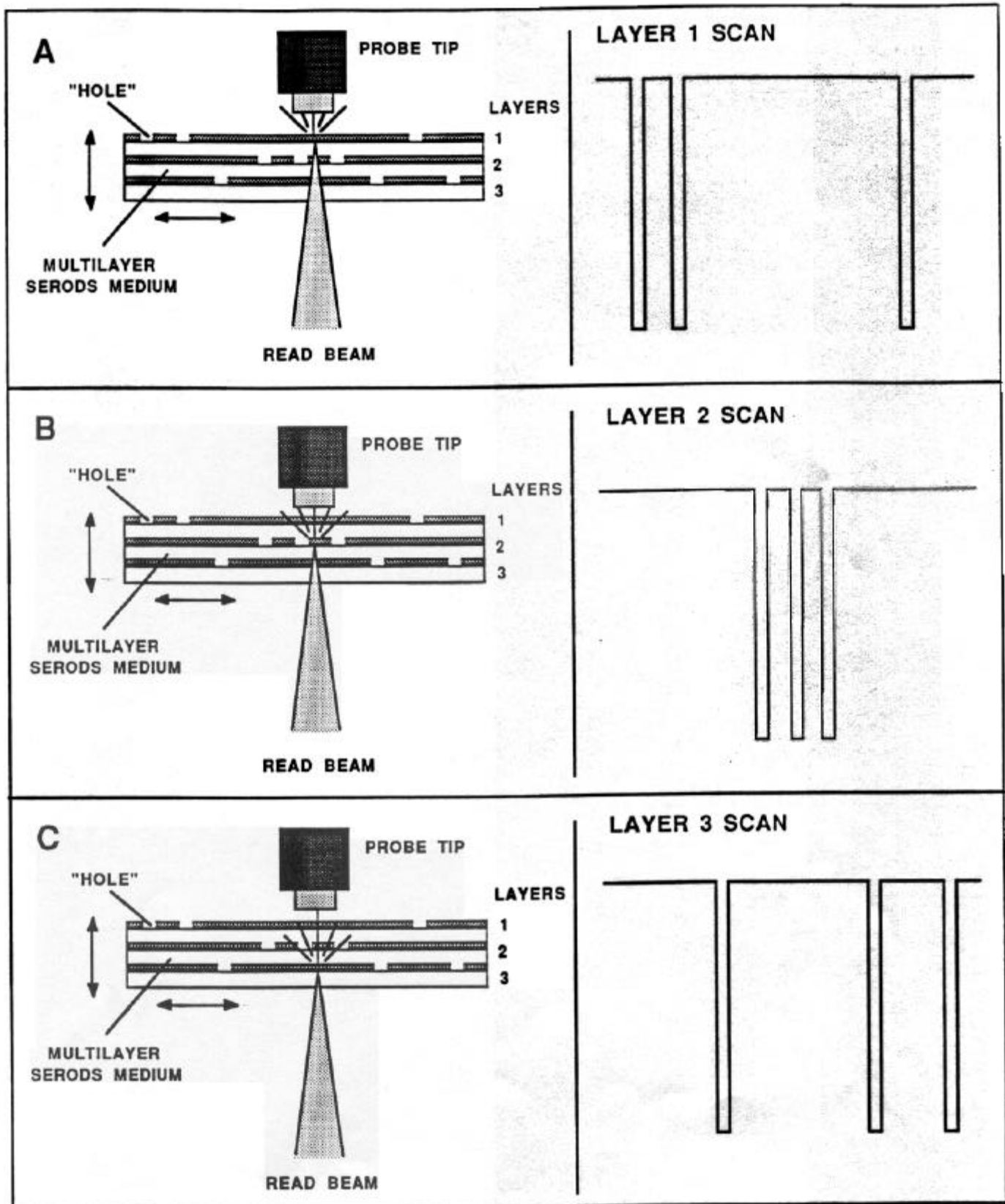
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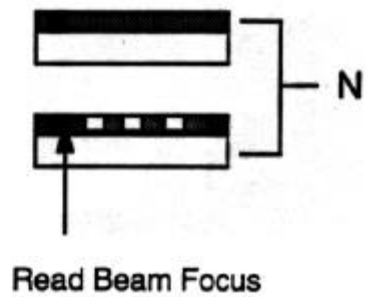
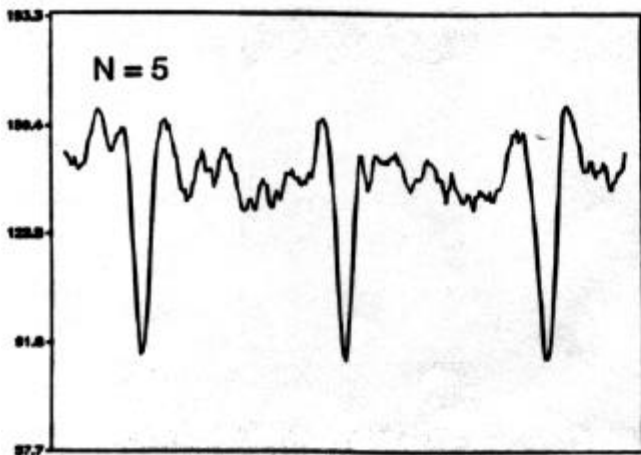
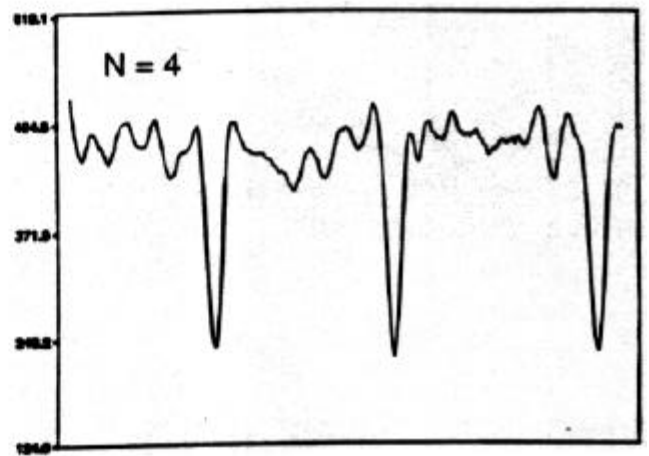
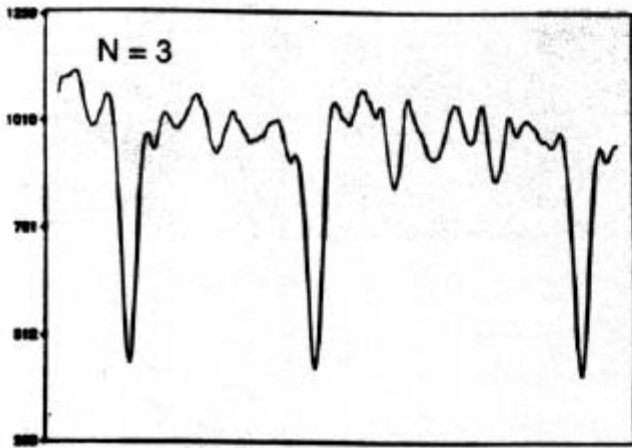
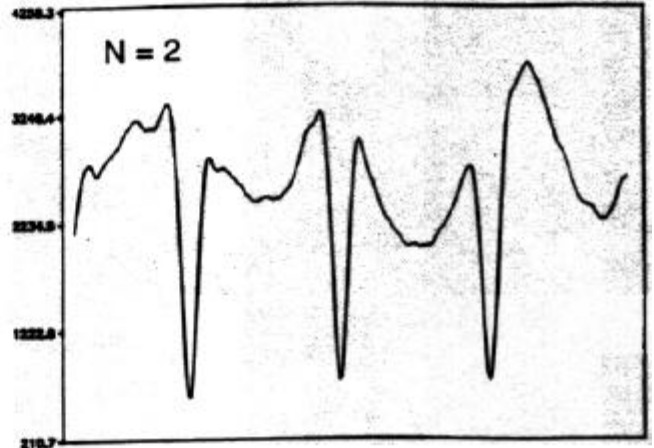
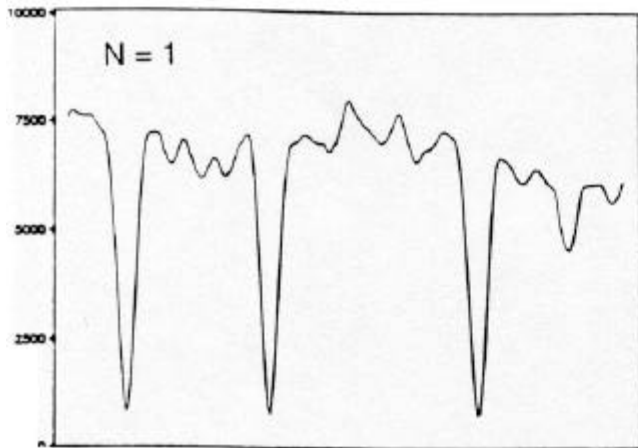
Alumina-based substrate
Cresyl Fast Violet (250 ppm)

Cross Section of a SERODS Disk



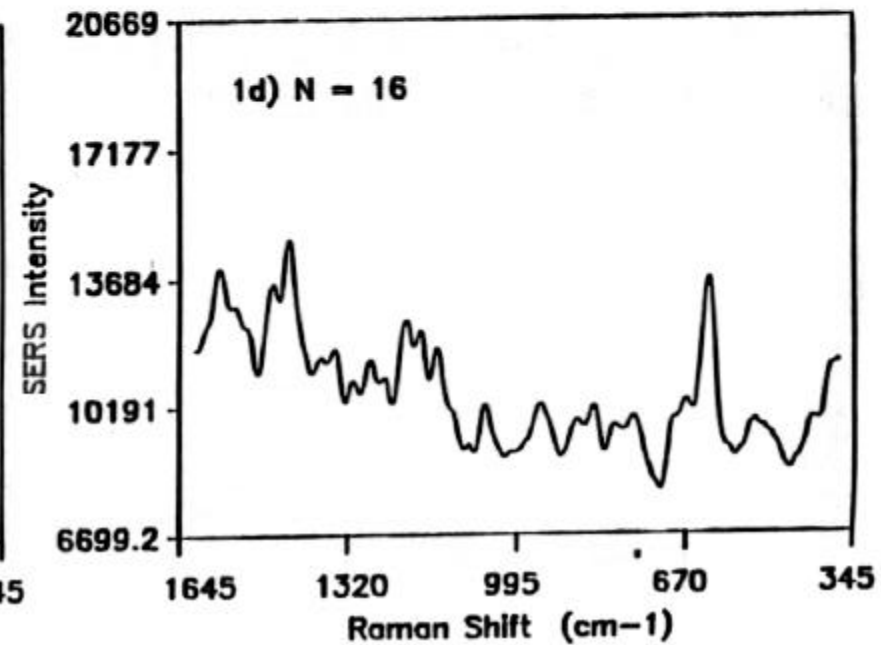
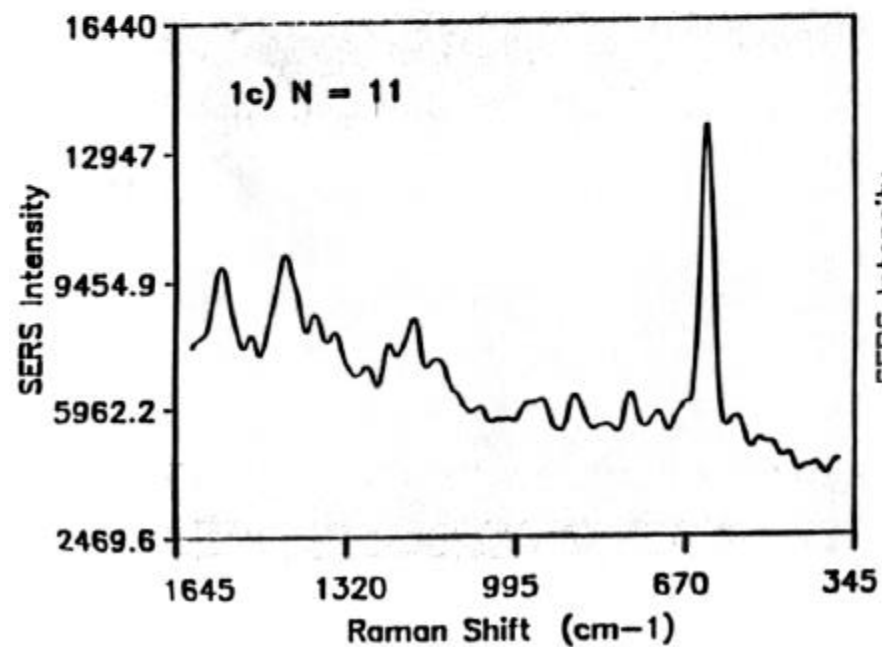
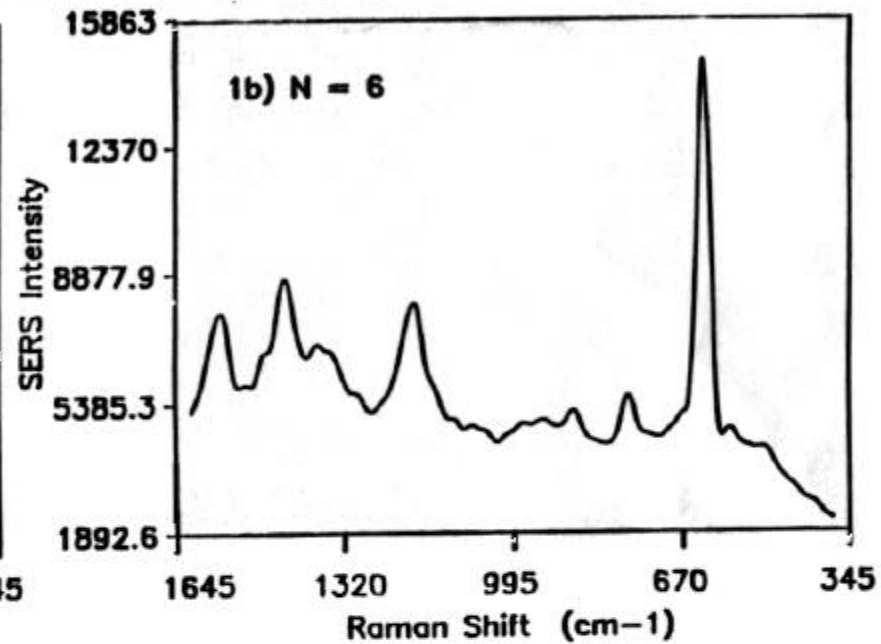
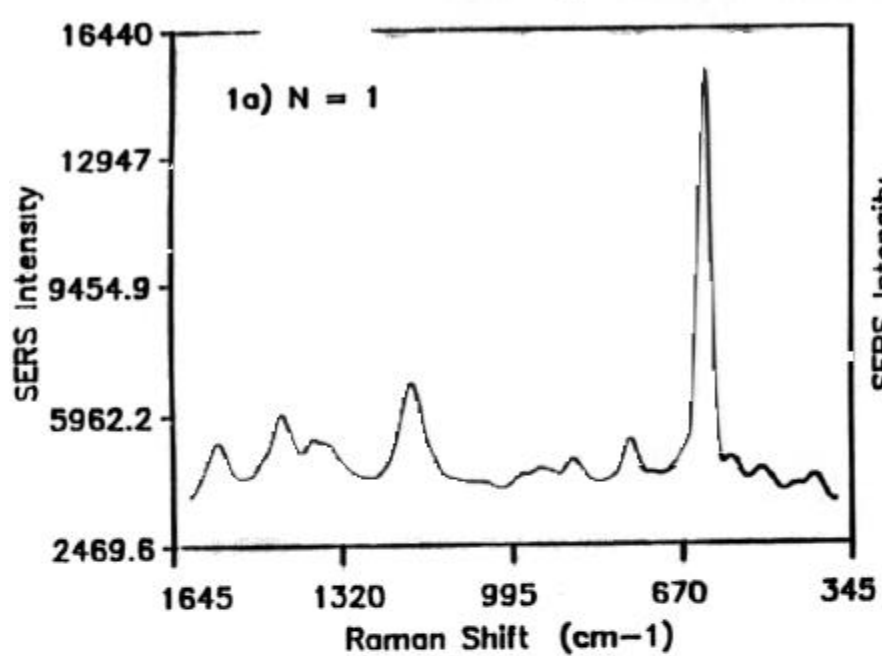
THREE-DIMENSIONAL SERODS CONCEPT





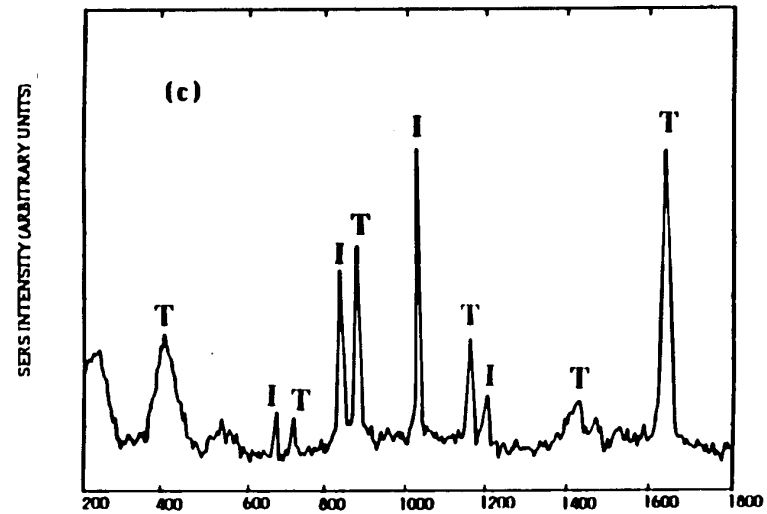
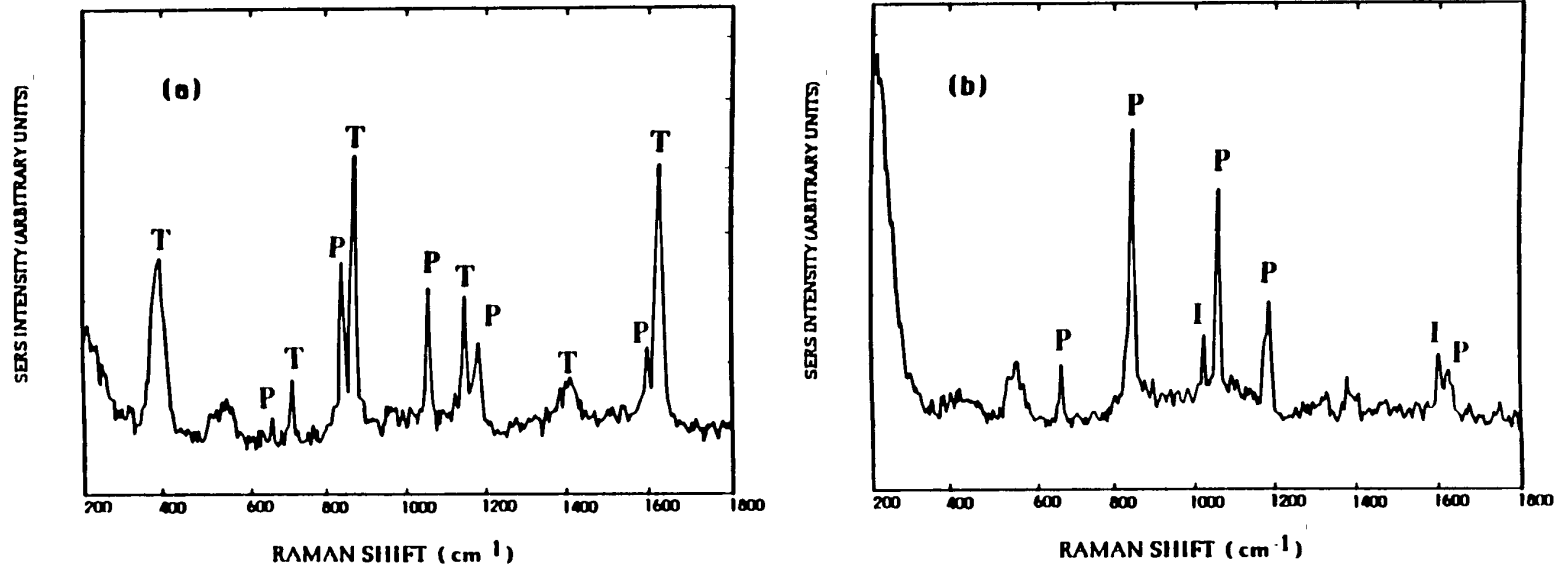
SERODS Pattern Read Through Multiple Layers

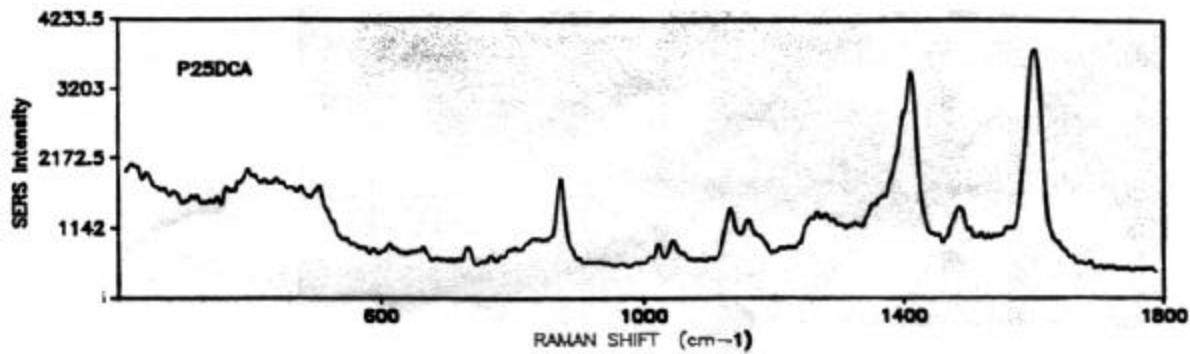
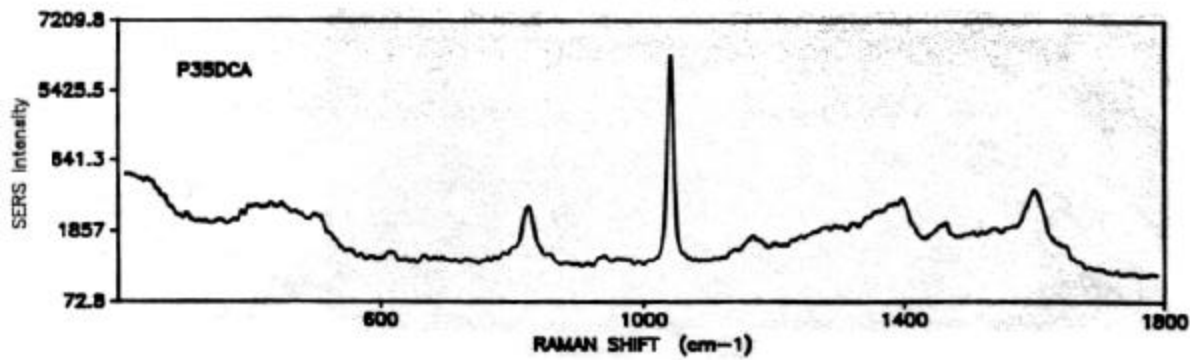
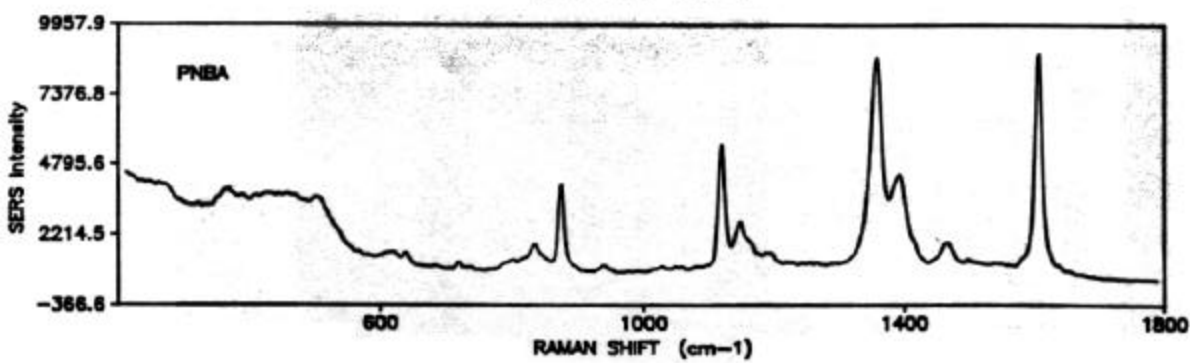
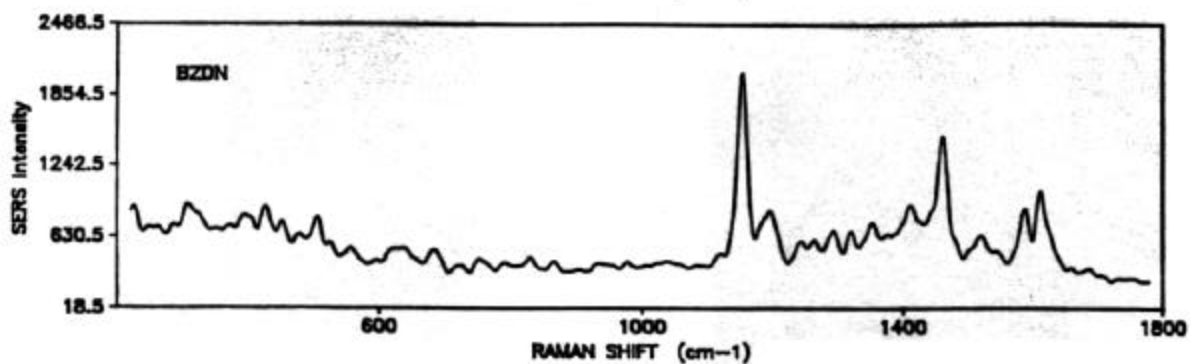
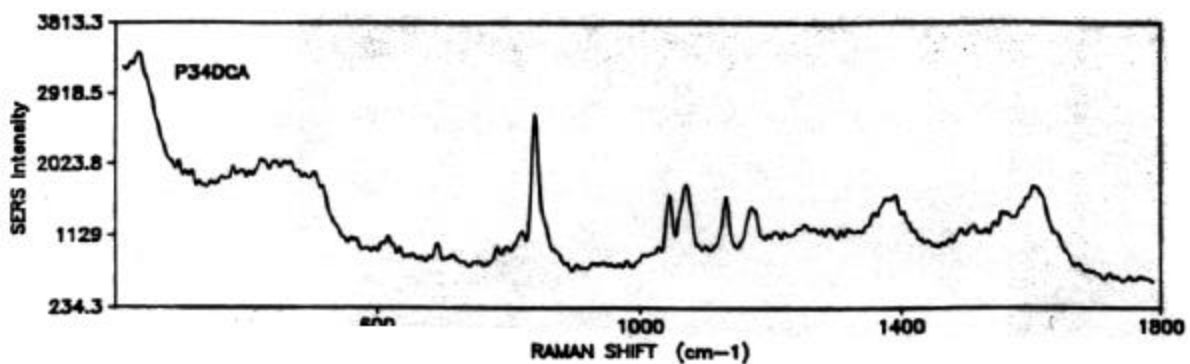
SERS Signal of BCB Detected through Multiple BCB-Spotted Silver Layers



Multiplex Data Transfer

SERODS Technology Allows Multi-layer Disks Using Different Chemical Coatings





CONCLUSION

ADVANTAGES AND POTENTIAL OF SERODS

- * INCREASED STORAGE DENSITY**
- * SERODS HOLES AT DIFFRACTION LIMIT**
- * THREE-DIMENSIONAL STORAGE**
- * NON-BINARY READING CAPABILITY**
- * MULTIPLEX DATA STORAGE**
- * PARALLEL PAGE TRANSFER**
- * REWRITABLE CONCEPT**