

# PicoRaman

The world's first integrated  
time-gated Raman spectrometer  
with real fluorescence rejection

a product based on  
**Timegated<sup>®</sup> Raman technology**

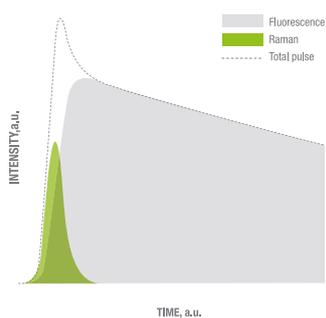
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# New Innovation for Raman Analysis

Fluorescence emission is seen as the main challenge in Raman spectroscopy. The patented, new Timegated® technology is developed to solve this issue.

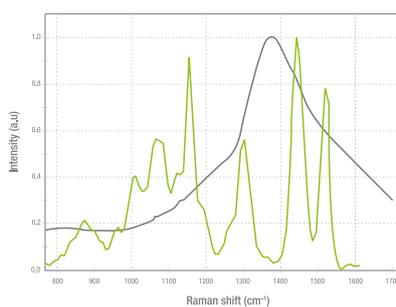


## Technical solution



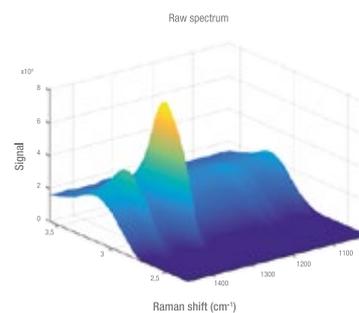
Raman Scattering and Fluorescence Emission as a function of time

Raman scattering and fluorescence emission phenomena differ in time scale. Raman scattering occurs fast – within sub picoseconds time scale – whereas fluorescence emission has much longer decay times. PicoRaman uses time gating to both differentiate the fluorescence and Raman signals, and additionally gives temporal information on both.



Comparison of conventional and Timegated® Raman spectra of milk

New PicoRaman spectrometer is equipped with 100 picosecond pulsed excitation and time-resolved single-photon counting detector array, enabling effective, real fluorescence rejection from Raman signal and making both quantitative and qualitative Raman spectroscopy analysis more accurate. Spectral analysis becomes more specific and reliable as fluorescence is no longer a disturbance.



3D image of time gated data

In addition to effective fluorescence rejection, Timegated® Raman measurement approach provides a totally new data dimension - time. In addition to spectral wavelength axis, we can now see also how photons occur in time dimension. This brings totally new features and benefits to Raman spectroscopic analyses. In addition to the data of Raman scattering, PicoRaman provides time-resolved information on fluorescence emission decay.

# What is new in **PicoRaman**?

The new **PicoRaman spectrometer based on Timegated® Raman technology** broadens the application areas and measurement environments even further. PicoRaman spectrometer allows for new applications of Raman spectroscopy in the fields of science and industry where fluorescence emission has previously been problematic for successful Raman analyses.

Measurements of materials and reactions with high thermal emission (i.e. in high temperature processes) or with ambient light are possible with PicoRaman technology. PicoRaman opens up new possibilities for R&D in catalysis, metallurgy, and combustion research, and is in use in proven commercial applications in the chemical and mining industries.

## | Advantages

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Wider **application areas** than ever because of effective fluorescence rejection

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Wider **operation areas** than ever because thermal emission and ambient light do not interfere the measurement

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**More data** than ever with combined Raman and time resolved fluorescence data

# Fast and Easy Material Characterization with Molecular Fingerprinting

Raman spectroscopy is a very powerful technique for material characterization in wide application areas due to its beneficial features including intrinsically high molecular specificity, the requirement for minimal or no sample pre-treatment, the ability to measure complex (biological) solutions, immunity to high water

content, the flexibility of sampling configurations, and suitability for automation. Furthermore, Raman technology has useful properties of being non-destructive, non-contact, label-free, fast and robust way of measurement, making the use of technique very convenient and easy.

## Outstanding features

- ▶ **Highly specific chemical information**
- ▶ **Concentration quantification**
- ▶ **Real-time**
- ▶ **On-site**
- ▶ **Easily transportable**
- ▶ **No sample preparation**
- ▶ **Non-destructive analysis**
- ▶ **Reliable**
- ▶ **User-friendly**
- ▶ **OEM-modules can be installed as part of the machines and processes**



## Excels in geosciences and catalysis research

### **CEO Pertti Lamberg Keliber Oy**

*"We have analyzed and monitored the alpha- to beta-spodumene conversion rate with various technologies with limited success. Timegated Raman spectra provides valuable information about the conversion rate. It is a fast and easy method and thus gives an advantage in process optimization. We got good results with the timegated Raman spectrometer and we are preparing to incorporate it as a part of our conversion process monitoring."*



## Instrument Specifications

### Spectrometer

Spectral resolution	5 cm <sup>-1</sup>
Spectral range	-550 - 2050, 0 - 2500 cm <sup>-1</sup> *

### Detector

Detector Type	CMOS SPAD array, single photon counting
Pixel amount	8 x 768 pixels
Time resolution	100 ps

### 532 nm Picosecond Pulsed Laser

Spectral line width	< 0.1 nm
Pulse width	< 150 ps
Pulse energy	SW control to 1 μJ
Repetition rate	100-250 kHz
Laser power	SW controlled up to 100-200 mW at laser port

### Physical

Spectrometer dimensions	625 mm(W) x 350 mm(D) x 180 mm(H)
Weight	19 kg
Operating Conditions	Normal laboratory environment

### Sample cube with lab Raman probe

Convenient and safe measurement of solid, liquid and powder samples
Top and side inlets for the probe
Motorized sample rotation with speed control
Accurate focus adjustment using thumbscrews

\* The spectrograph does not contain laser blocking filters.

**PicoRaman is fiber coupled spectrometer with FC connectors. Several Raman probe or microscope sampling interfaces available.**



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