

Lecture-10

CSO202: Atoms, Photons & Molecules

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Module 2

Super Resolution Microscopy



2014 Chemistry Nobel Prize: Awarded jointly to Eric Betzig, Stefan W. Hell & William E. Moerner "*for the development of super-resolved fluorescence microscopy*"

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Lecture of the Physics Society, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



Eric Betzig

Born: 13 January 1960, Ann Arbor, MI,
USA

Affiliation at the time of the award:
Janelia Research Campus, Howard Hughes
Medical Institute, Ashburn, VA, USA

Prize motivation: "for the development of
super-resolved fluorescence microscopy"

Field: physical chemistry

Prize share: 1/3



Stefan W. Hell

Born: 23 December 1962, Arad, Romania

Affiliation at the time of the award:

Max Planck Institute for Biophysical
Chemistry, Göttingen, Germany, German
Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg,
Germany

Prize motivation: "for the development of
super-resolved fluorescence microscopy"

Field: physical chemistry

Prize share: 1/3





William E. Moerner

Born: 24 June 1953, Pleasanton, CA, USA

Affiliation at the time of the award:

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA

Prize motivation: "for the development of super-resolved fluorescence microscopy"

Field: physical chemistry

Prize share: 1/3



2014 Chemistry Nobel Lecture details

Single Molecules, Cells, and Super-Resolution Optics

Eric Betzig

Janelia Research Campus, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Ashburn, VA, USA
8 December 2014 at the Aula Magna, Stockholm University

Nanoscopy with Focused Light

Stefan W. Hell

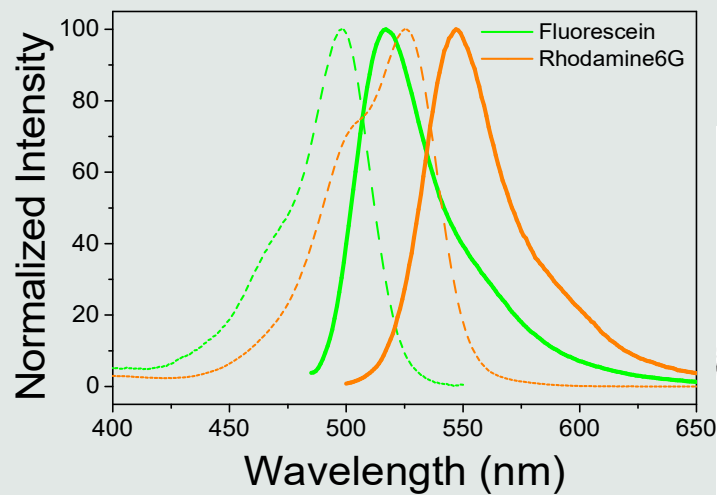
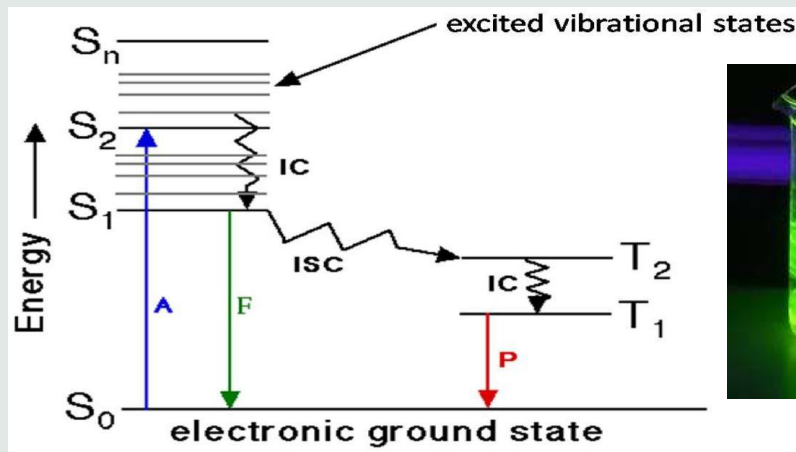
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Single-Molecule Spectroscopy, Imaging, and Photocontrol: Foundations for Super-Resolution Microscopy

William E. Moerner

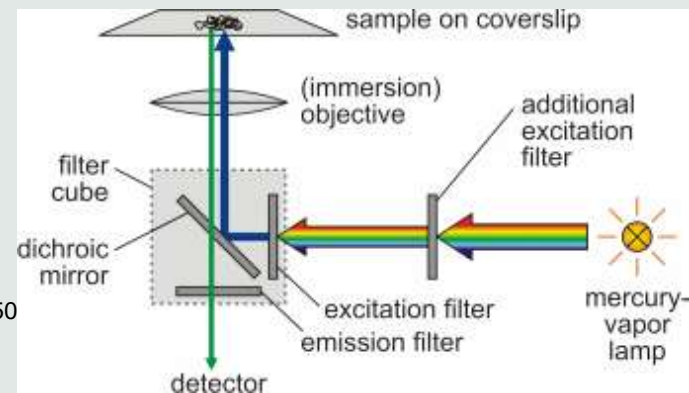
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What is Fluorescence ?



Stokes Shift of Fluorescence

Aleksander Jabłoński
1898 – 1980



Fluorescence Microscopy

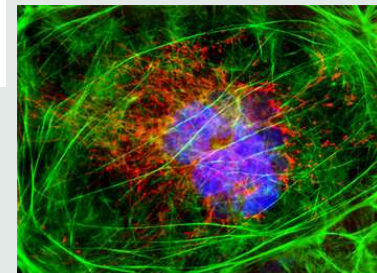
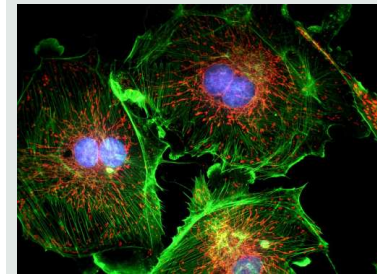
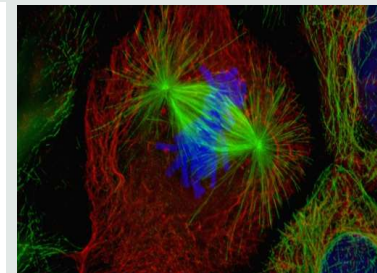
❖ What is Microscope?

It is an instrument for magnifying things too small to see with the naked eye

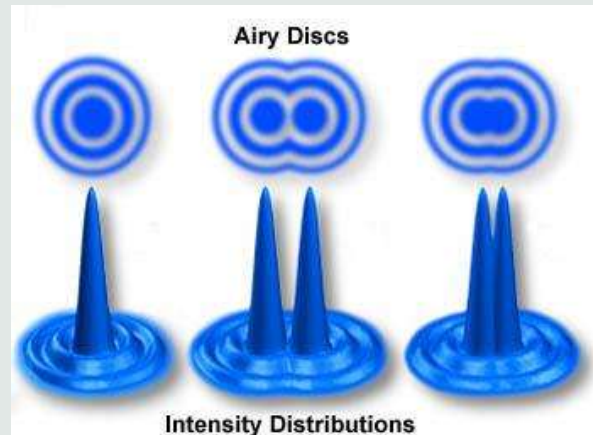
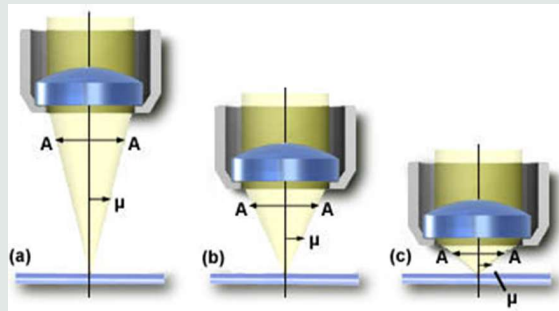
❖ Many types:

- ❑ Bright-field Microscope
- ❑ Dark-field Microscope
- ❑ Phase-contrast Microscope
- ❑ Fluorescence Microscope

- ✓ Higher sensitivity
- ✓ Using visible or near IR spectral range
- ✓ Dyes which are specific for subcellular components, proteins or ions
- ✓ Observation of cell division
- ✓ 3D



Resolution of Microscope



According to Geometrical optics: focal spot is a Point

Reality: it has Finite dimensions

Tightly focused beams form airy disc pattern

