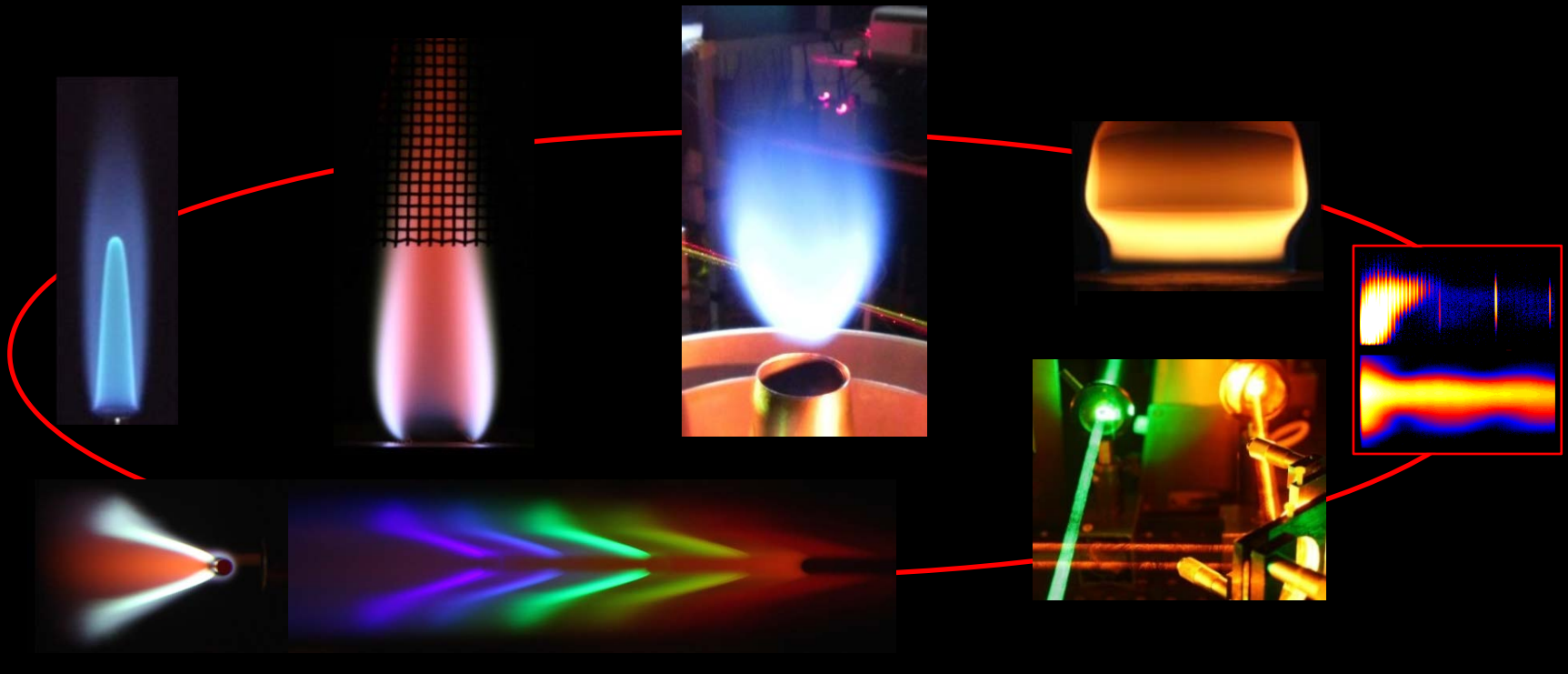


# Development of two-beam fs/ps CARS for high-fidelity thermometry in flames

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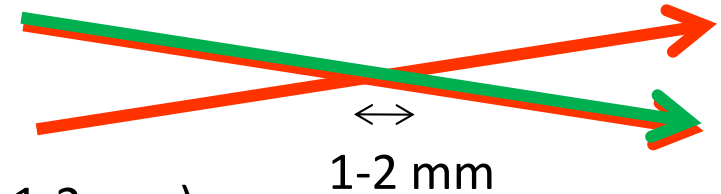
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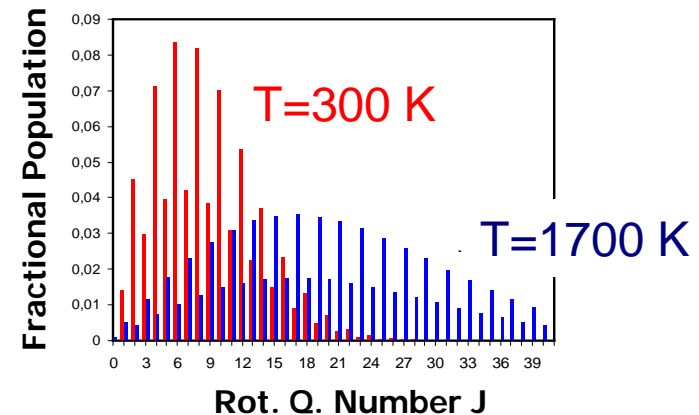
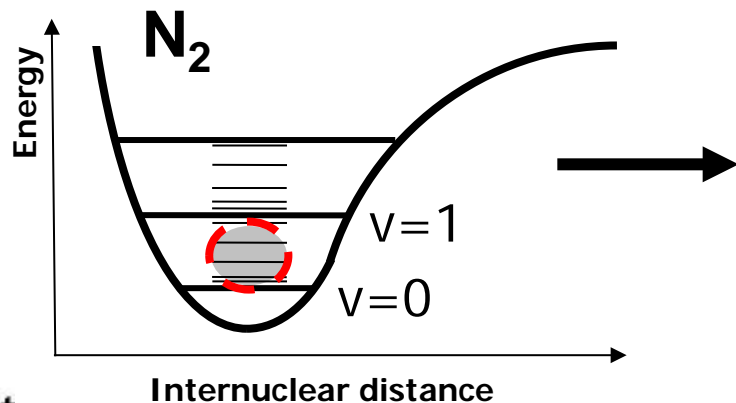
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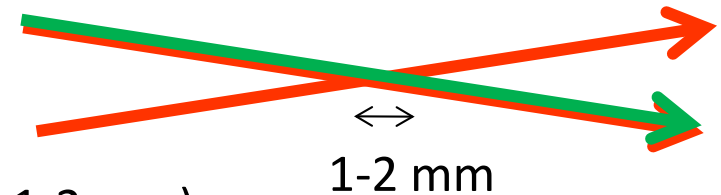
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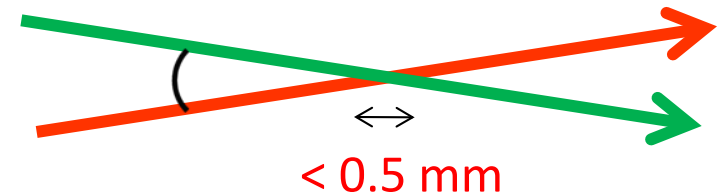


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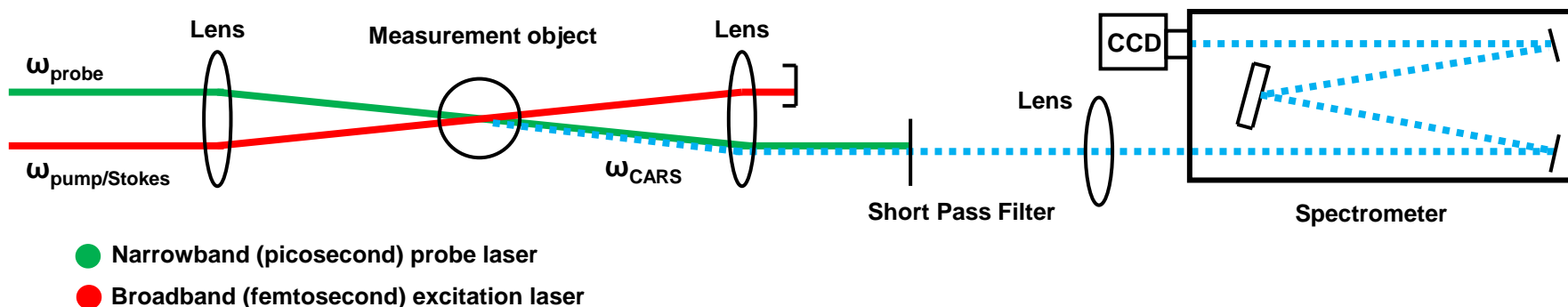
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- Picosecond temporal resolution (Near collision independent - ~~Raman linewidths~~)
- Improved spatial resolution ( $40 \mu\text{m} \times 40 \mu\text{m} \times 0.5$  mm)
- 1D and 2D imaging capabilities

Inaccuracy  $< 2-3\%$   
Single shot precision  $\sim 1\%$

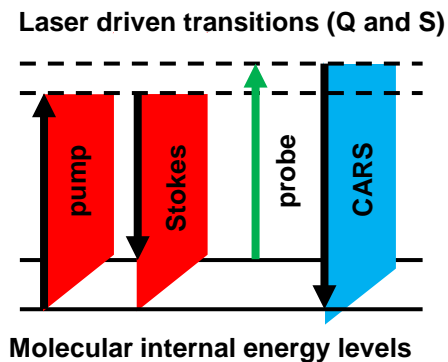


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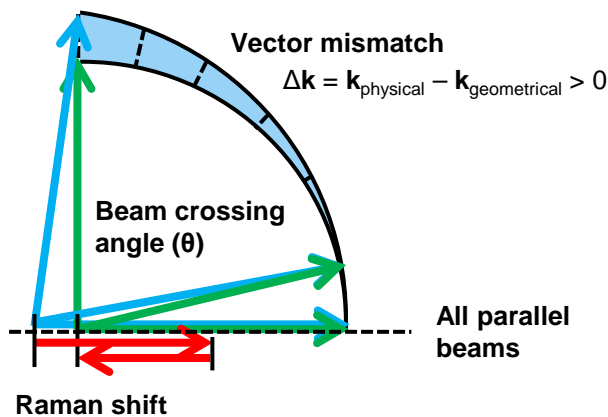


Simplified generic phase-matching-scheme for CARS signal generation

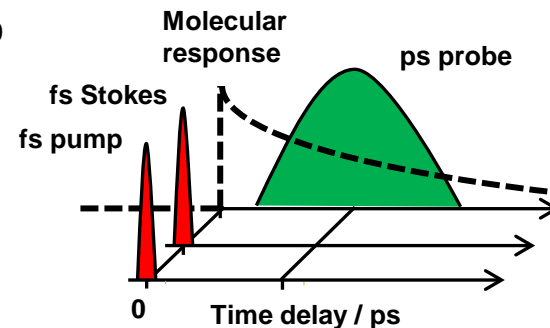
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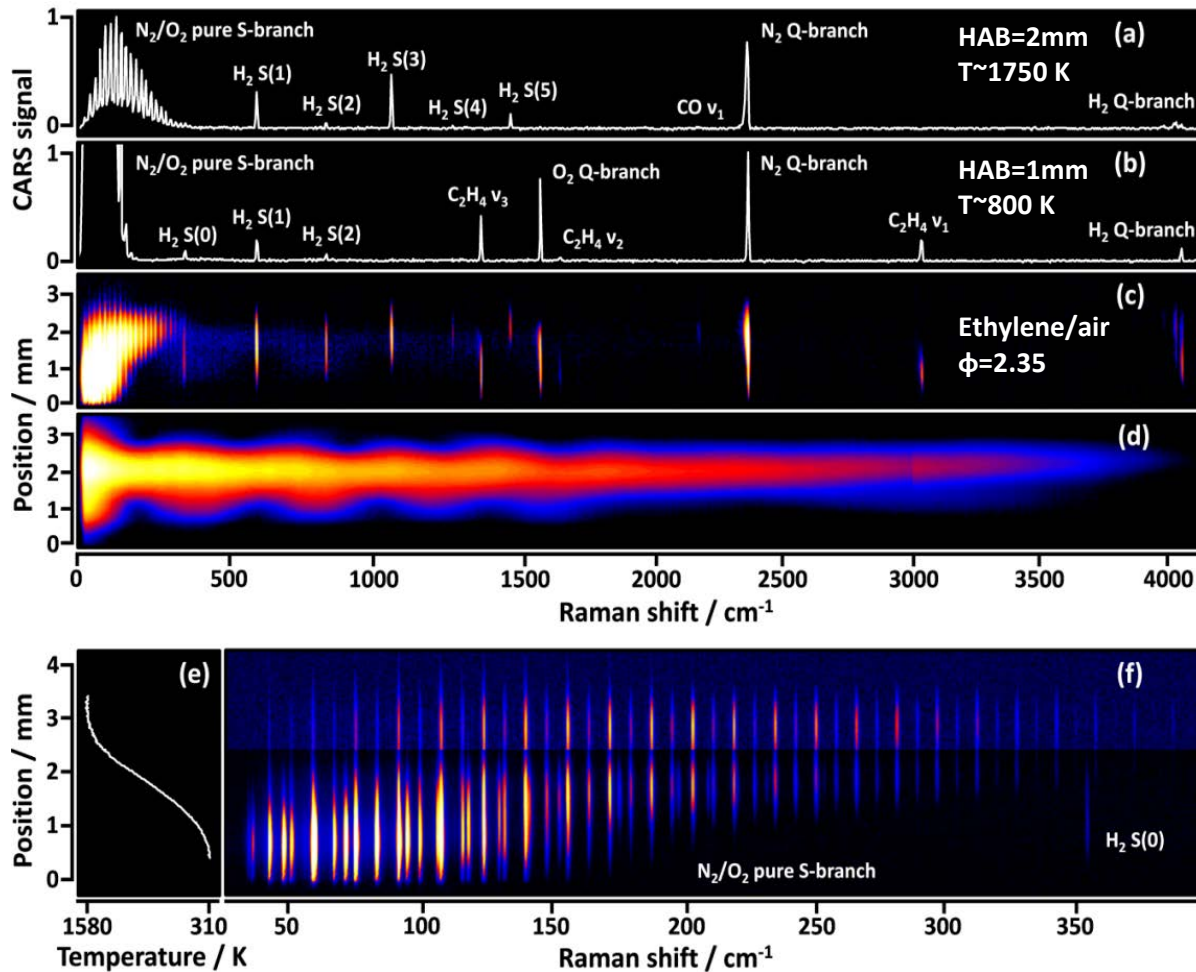
Phase-matching (momentum conservation)



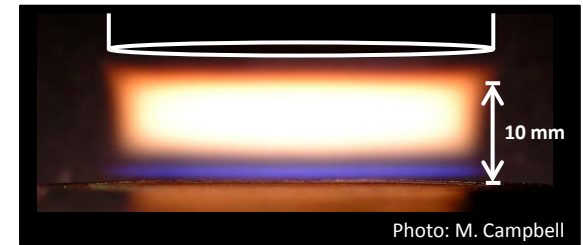
Spectroscopy in the time-domain



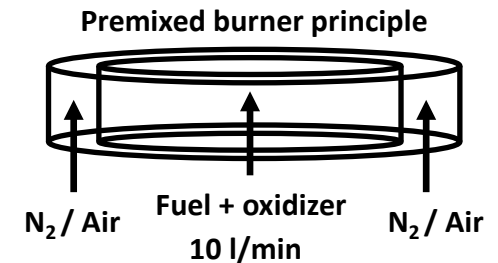
# Direct coherent Raman temperature imaging and wideband chemical detection



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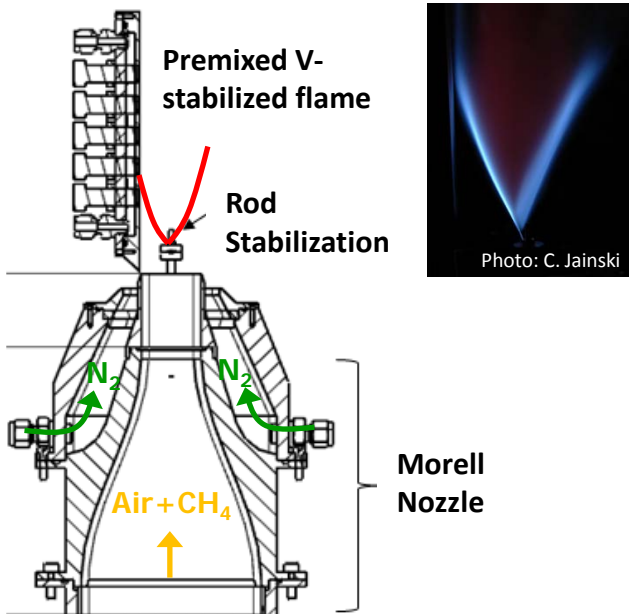


Burner design (Michelsen group, Sandia)



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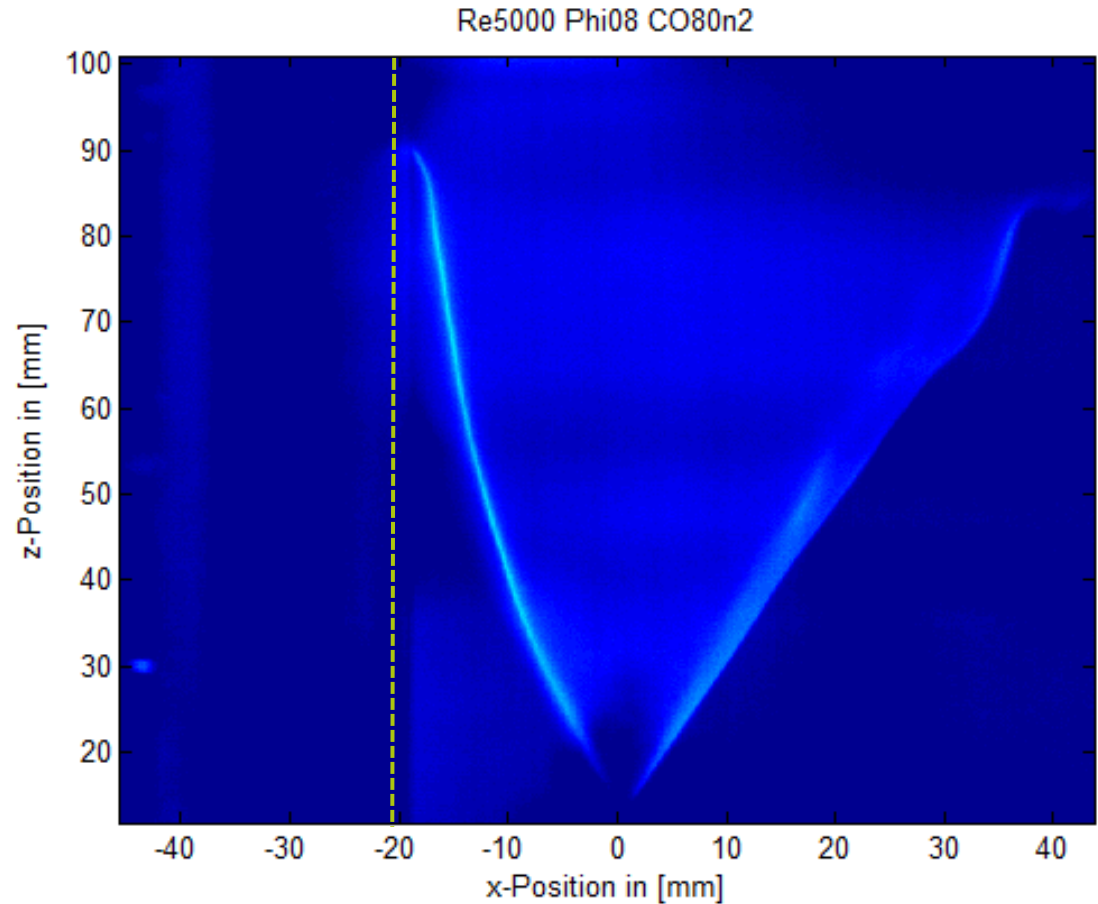
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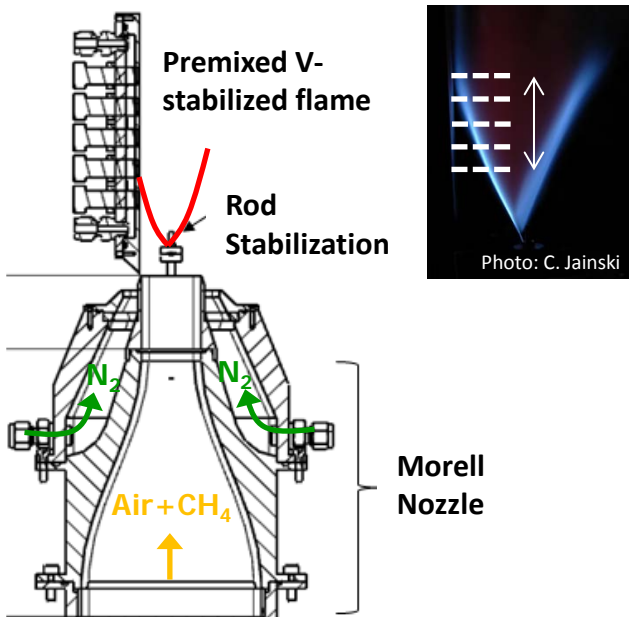
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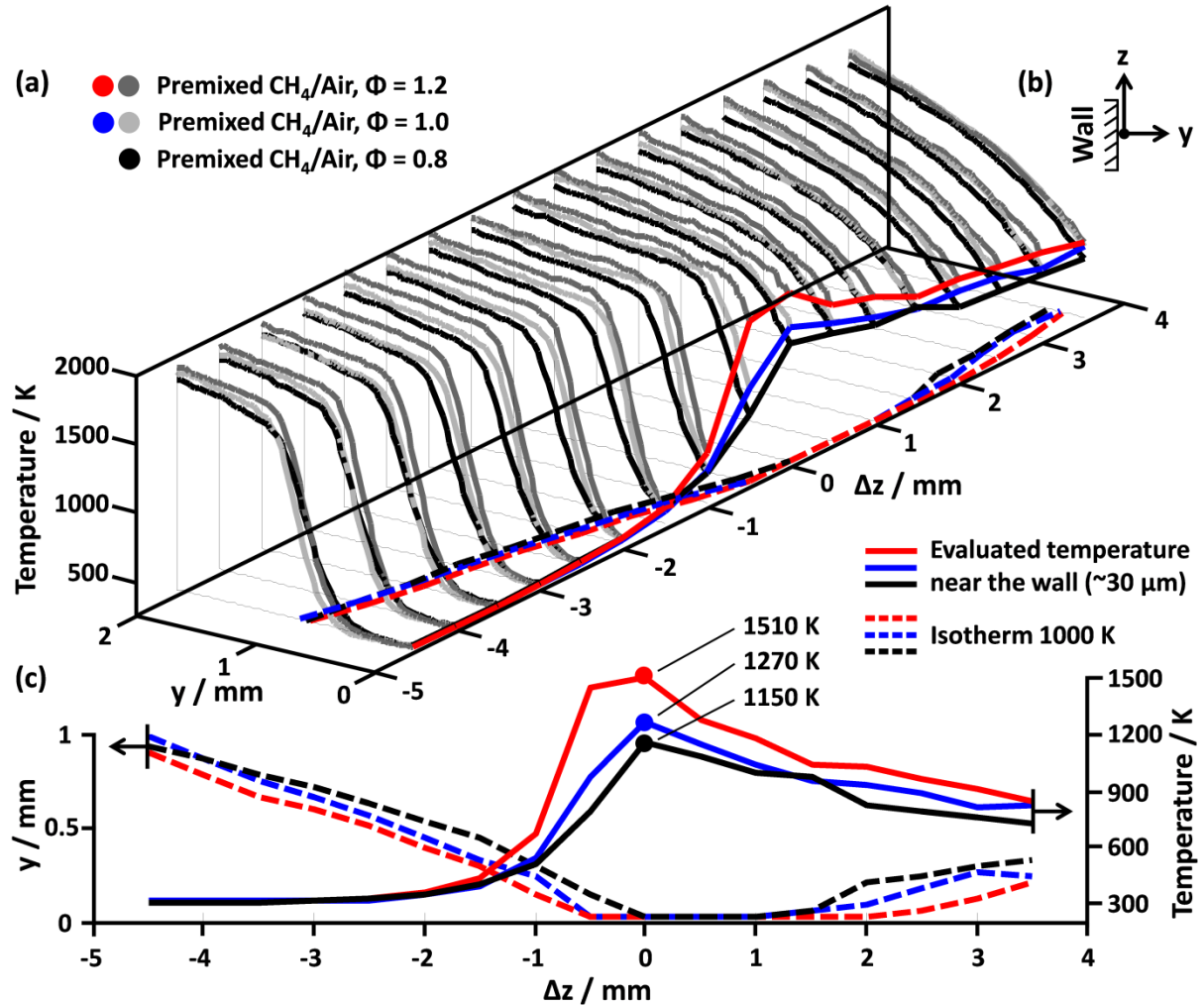
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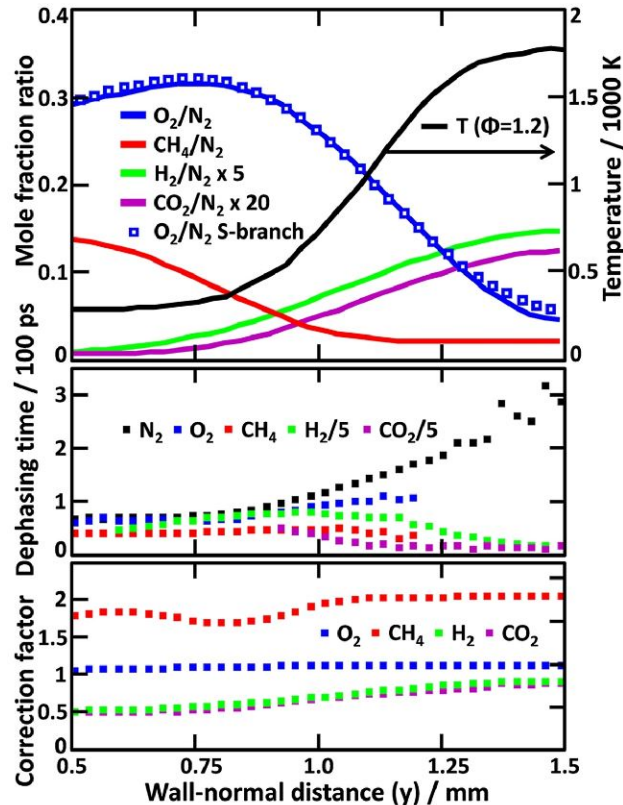
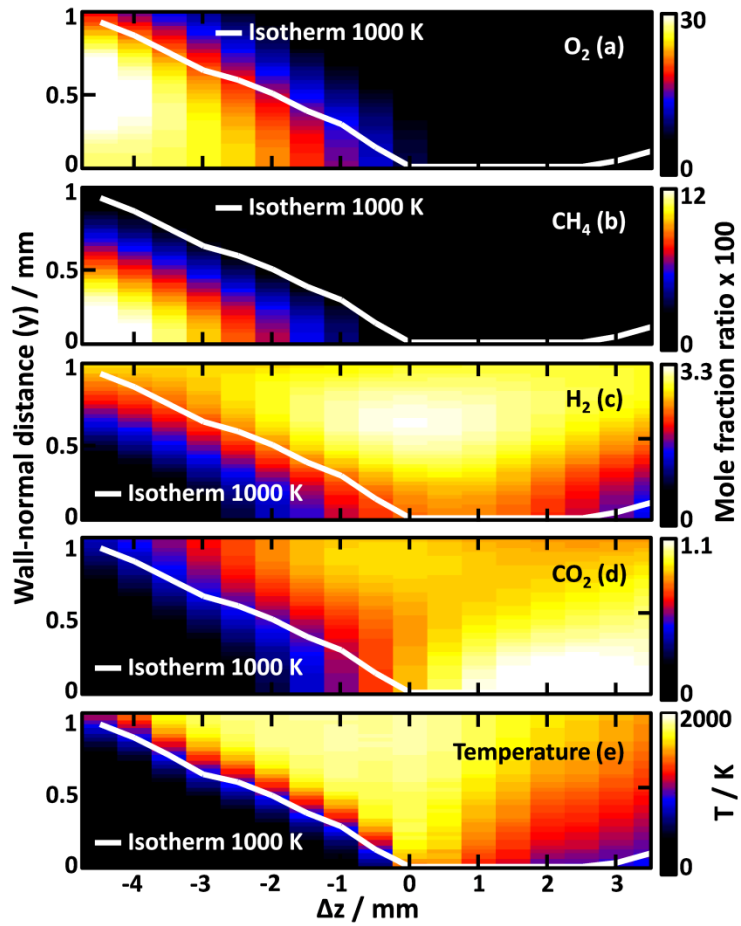
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# Near-wall ultrabroadband CARS imaging: Measurement of thermochemical states



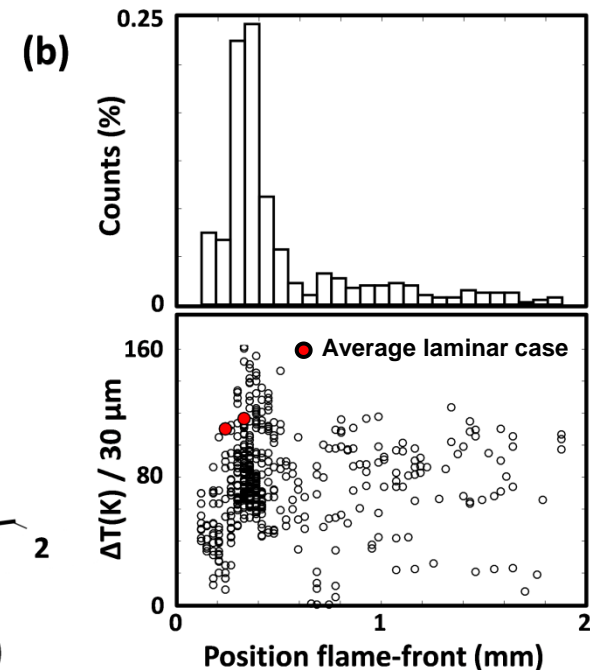
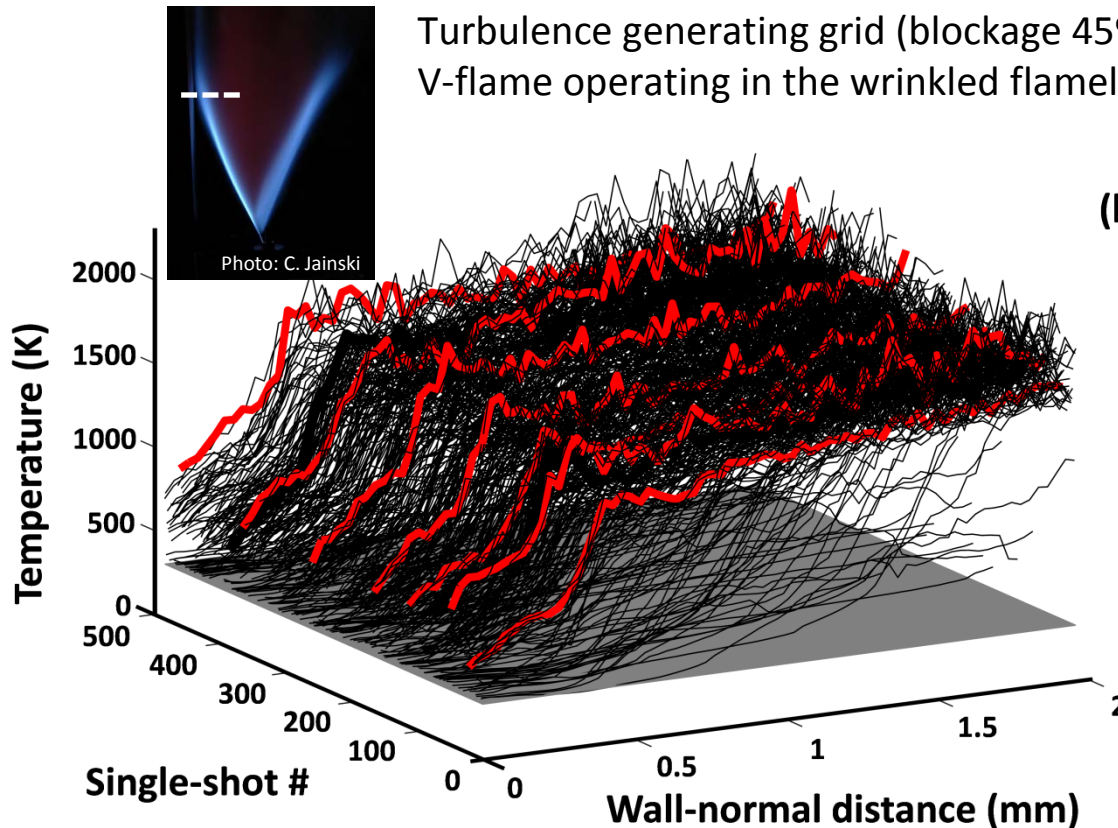
Simultaneous detection of  $N_2$ ,  $O_2$ ,  $H_2$ , (CO),  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  is achieved.

The excellent imaging resolution allows for thermochemical states of the thermal boundary layer to be probed to within  $\sim 40 \mu m$  of the interface.

*In-situ* measurement of pressure broadening coefficients

# FWI at enhanced turbulence intensities (Work-in-progress)

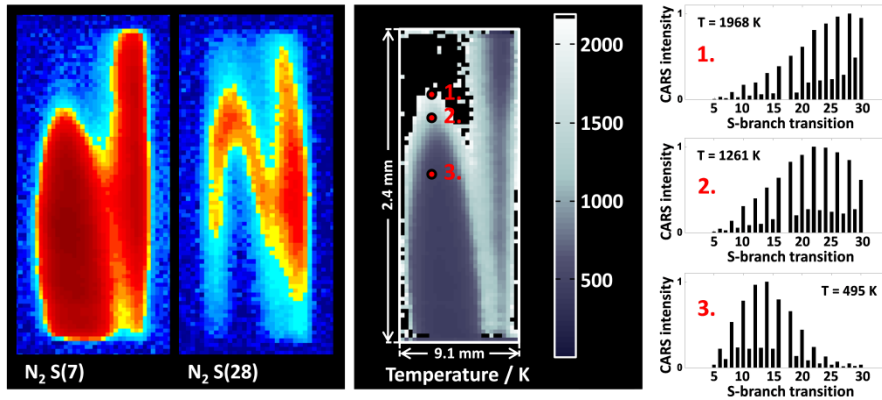
Turbulence generating grid (blockage 45%, turbulence level  $u' / \bar{u} = 6-7\%$ ),  
V-flame operating in the wrinkled flamelet regime



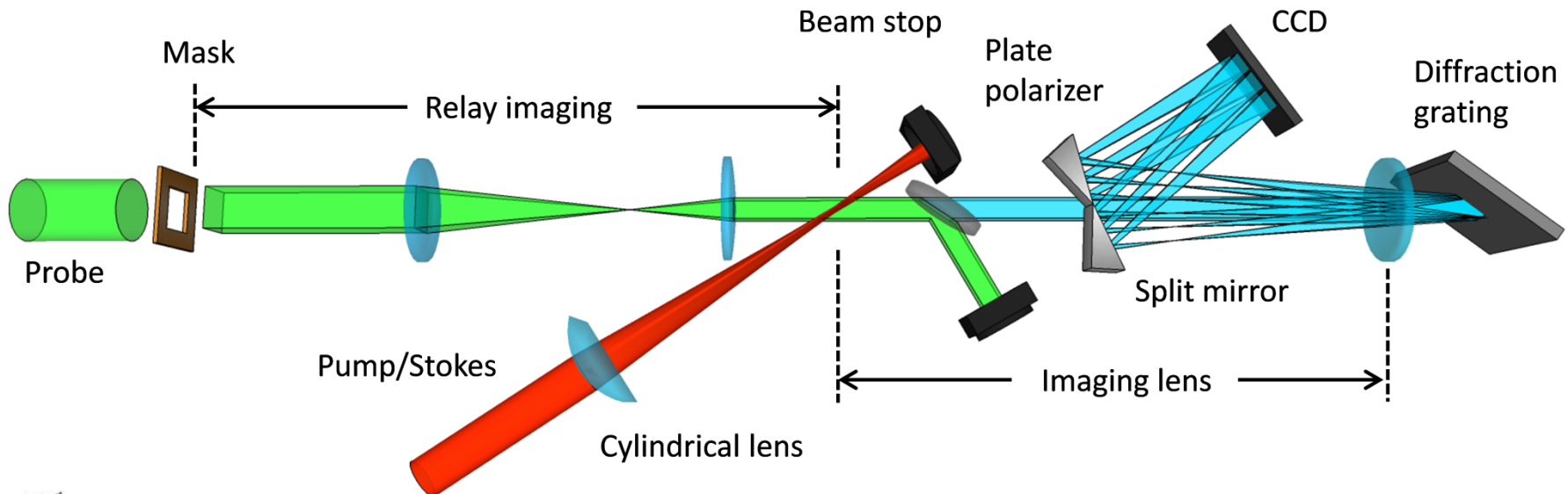
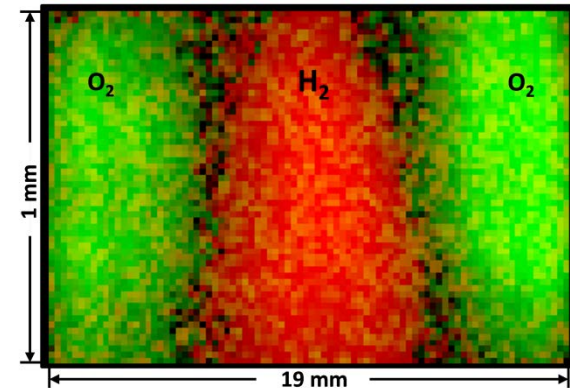
- Single-shot spatially dependent statistics of the 1D flame-front gradient / thickness / position become possible (improving heat transfer models)

# Single-shot hyperspectral CARS in the gas-phase

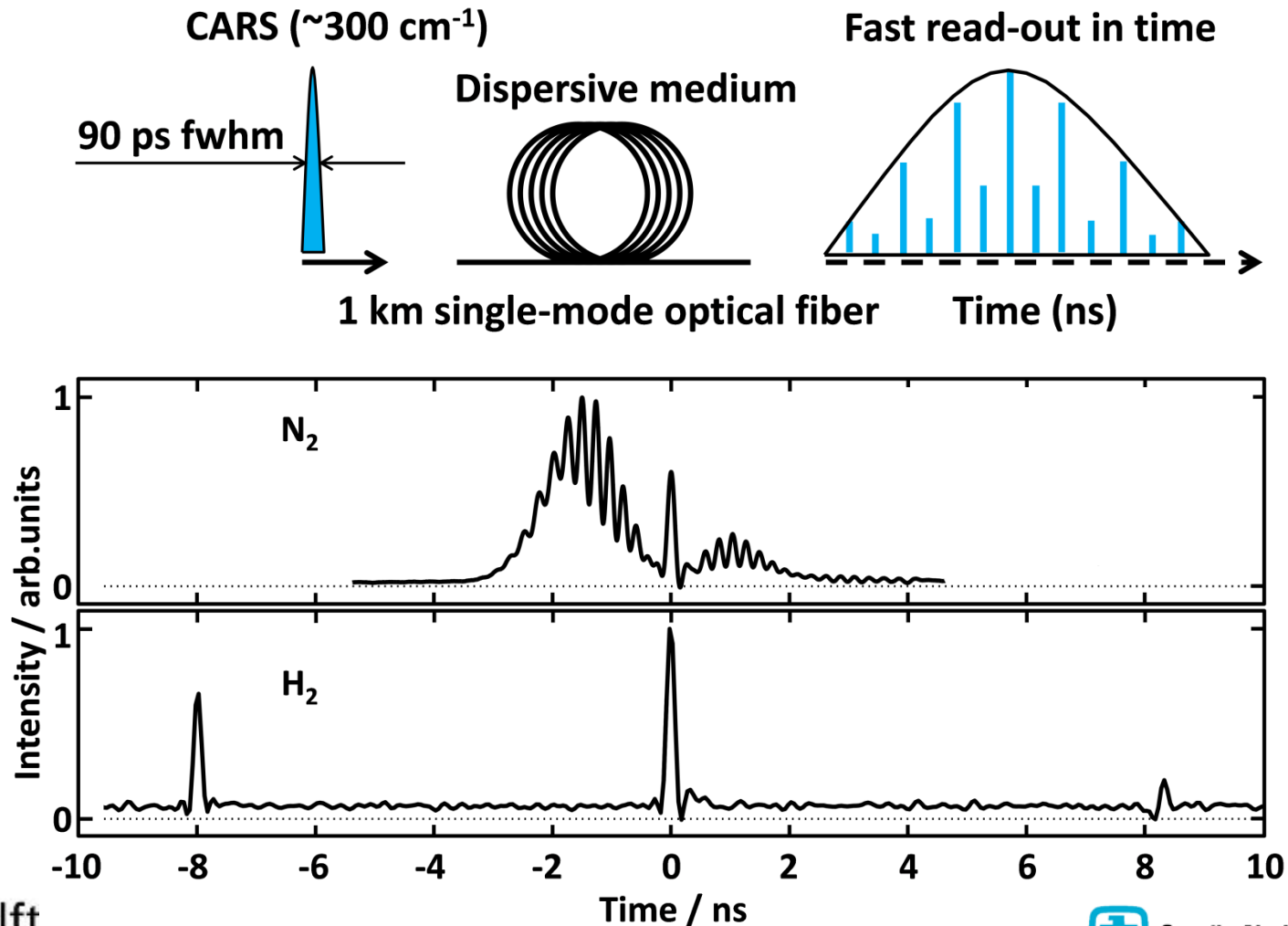
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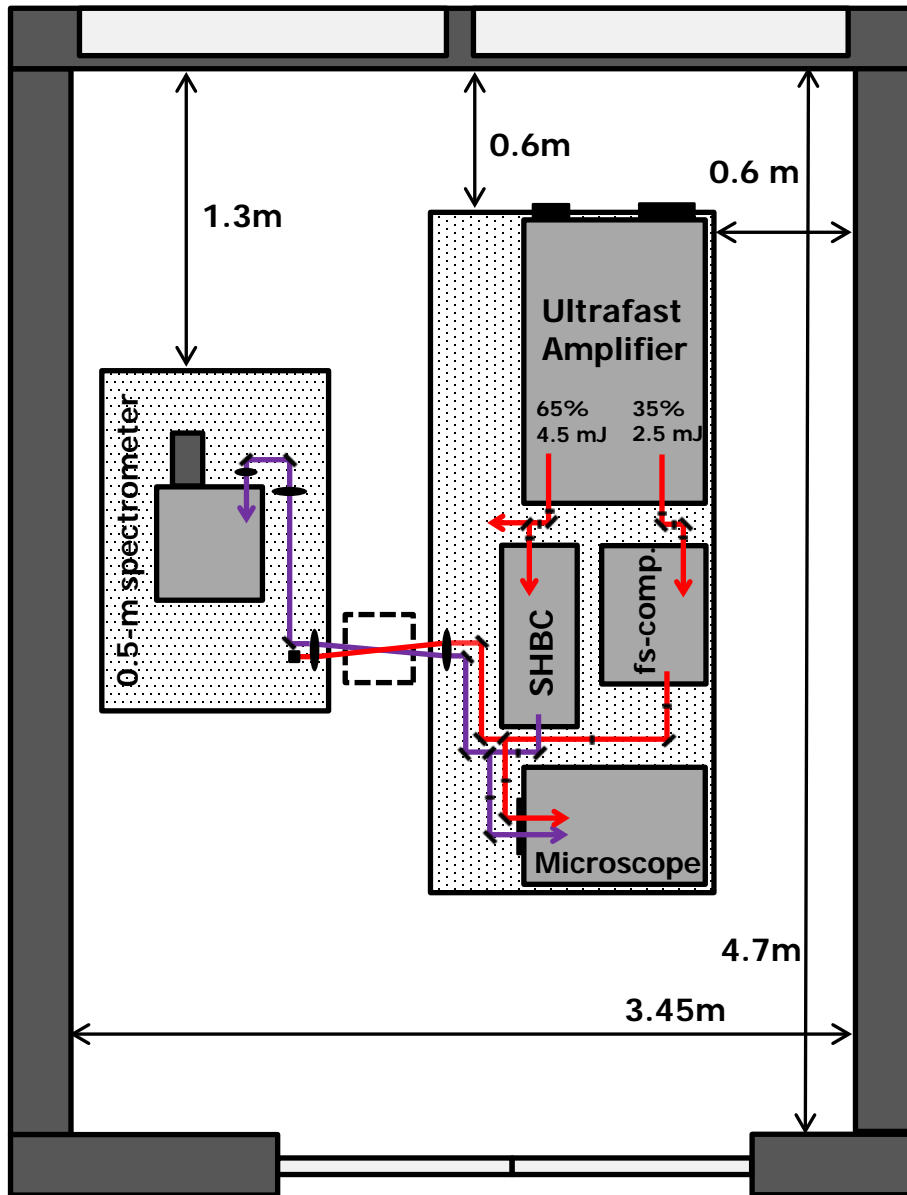


Wideband chemical imaging



# Dispersive Fourier Transform for MHz detection of CARS/CSRS signals

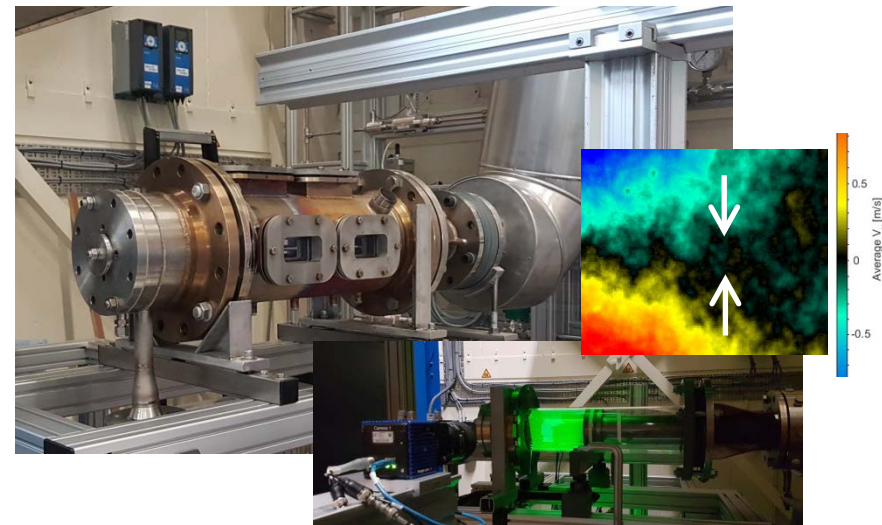




## Synchronized ps/fs laser system for time-resolved non-linear optical spectroscopy/microscopy

- Femtosecond laser (ultrafast amplifier)  
7 mJ/pulse @ ~780-810 nm (~35 fs)
- Picosecond laser (SHBC)  
2.0 mJ/pulse @ 400 nm (~10 ps)

Distributed auto-ignition combustion modes with reduced NO<sub>x</sub> emission



Courtesy of: Arvind Gangoli Rao

# Conclusions

- Two-beam femtosecond/picosecond CARS
  - Relevant for 0D, 1D, and 2D temperature measurements in flames when high-fidelity information is needed (inaccuracy <2-3%, precision ~1%)
  - Single-shot quantitative measurements for major species in combustion are within reach (species specific dephasing times, spectroscopy models)
- This ultrafast 1D-CARS technique has been successfully employed at:
  1. Flame-wall interaction burner (head-on and side-wall quenching)
  2. Sooty flames provided on a McKenna burner
- Can this advanced laser diagnostics technique be employed for measurements in engines?
  - Technical challenges for the stability of operation (facility temperature and humidity control, propagating TL-beams through optical ports)