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# Applications of optics and photonics

## Microscopic Techniques

- Conventional Wide-Field Fluorescence
- TIRF
- FLIM
- FRET, FRAP
- Confocal
- Two-Photon
- Second Harmonic
- Super-resolution (SNOM, STED, PALM, STORM)

## Non-Microscopic Techniques

- Citofluorimetry
- ELISA
- DNA-Chip
- Cycle-sequencing
- SOLID

## Other non Microscopic Techniques

- Southern
- Western
- Northern

## Non-Microscopic Label-free

- Surface plasmon  
Polaritons (SPP)
- Photonic  
crystals (PC)
- Raman , CARS
- Quantum dots

All of them make  
use of the  
emission of  
luminescent  
markers (labels)



# LABORATORY WORK 2

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## Absorption Spectroscopy

Thursday nov 12 2020

h8.30-h11.00



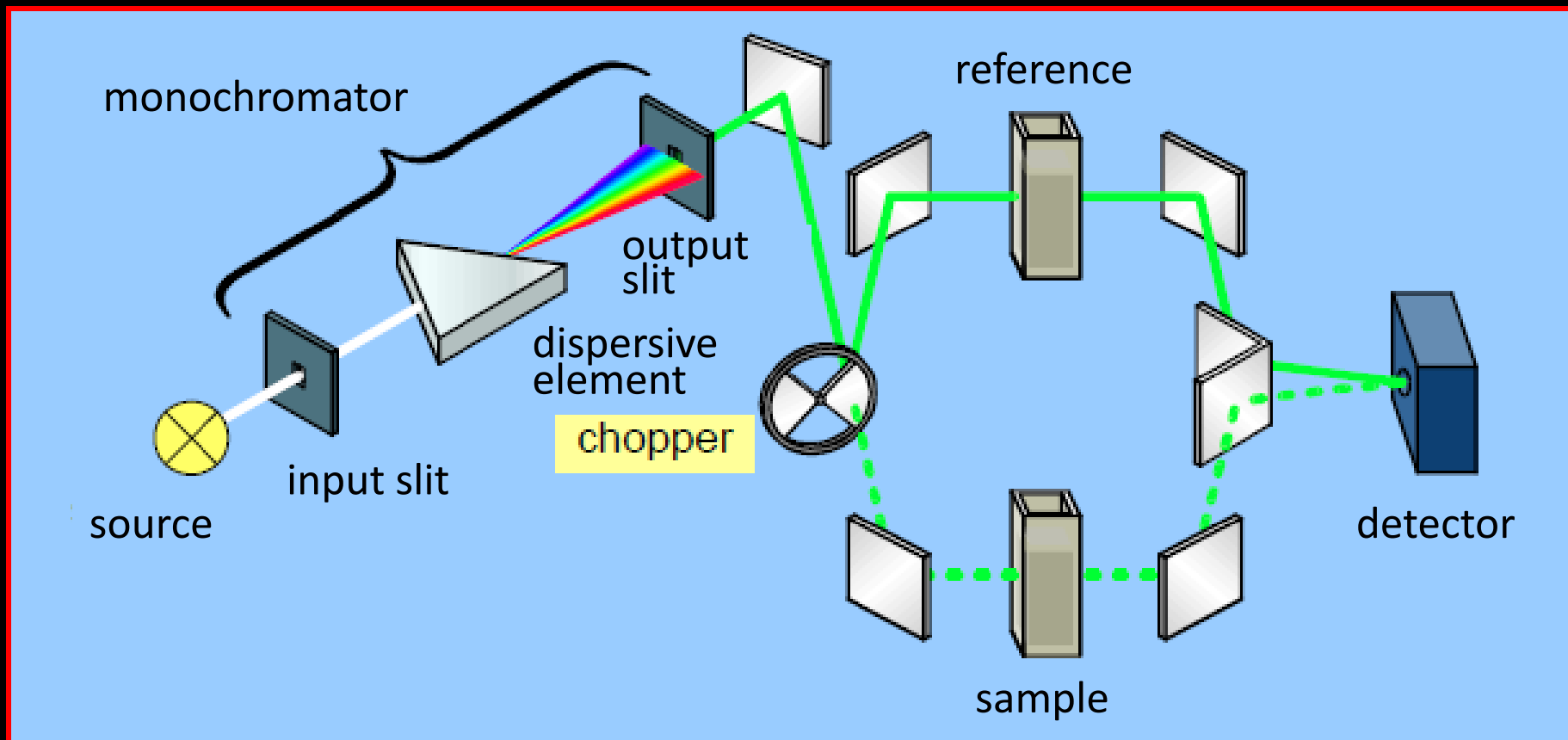
# Absorption Spectroscopy

## *Schedule of the laboratory work*

- Description of a UV/VIS spectro-photometer
  - Measurement of the absorption spectrum of Rhodamine 6G in ethanol at different concentrations
  - Measurement of the absorption spectrum of Rhodamine 6G in water at one concentration
  - Measurement of the absorption spectrum of solutions of Rhodamine 6G in water and milk at one concentration

# UV/VIS Spectro-photometer

## *Scheme of a double path spectro-photometer*

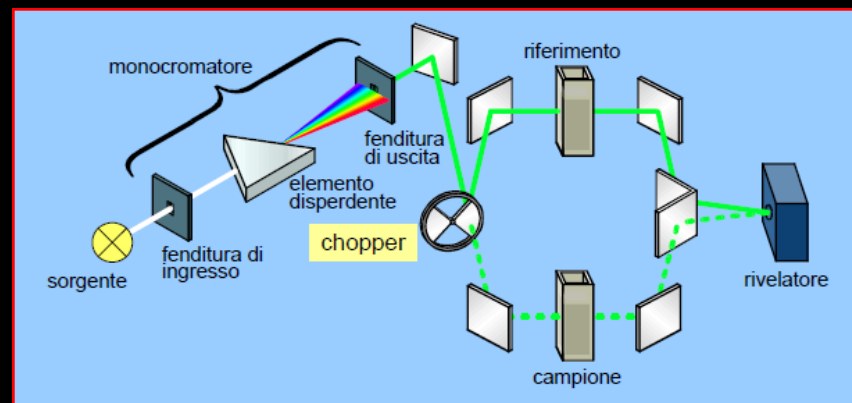


*The radiation emitted by a lamp (deuterium or tungsten) is passed through a mono-chromator and divided in two beams that go through the reference and the sample. The beam splitter is a rotating mirror (chopper), which sends the radiation alternatively in one of the two arms of the instrument. The power of the two beams is measured by means of the same detector.*

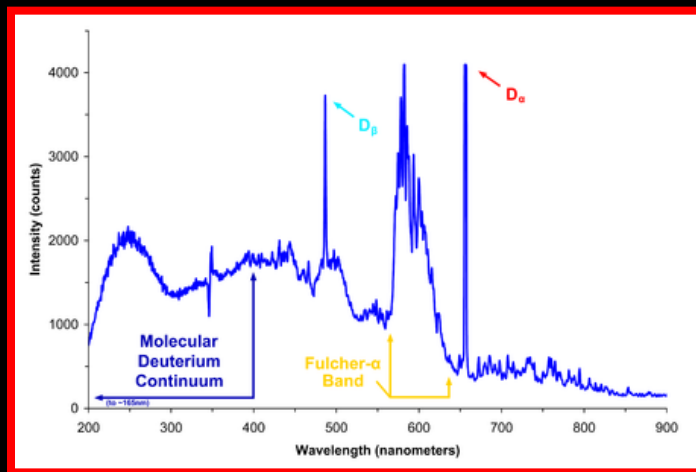
# UV/VIS Spectro-photometer

## Measure 1 - Calibration

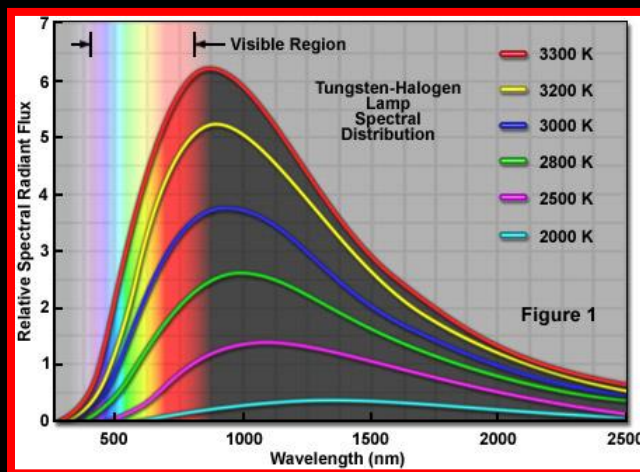
Measure of the power  $P_{O,RIF}(\lambda)$  and  $P_{O,CAM}(\lambda)$  transmitted through the two arms trasmesse without sample and reference for every wavelength  $\lambda$ .



$$F_{\text{INSTR}}(\lambda) = \frac{P_{0,\text{SAM}}(\lambda)}{P_{0,\text{REF}}(\lambda)}$$



Deuterium Lamp - UV

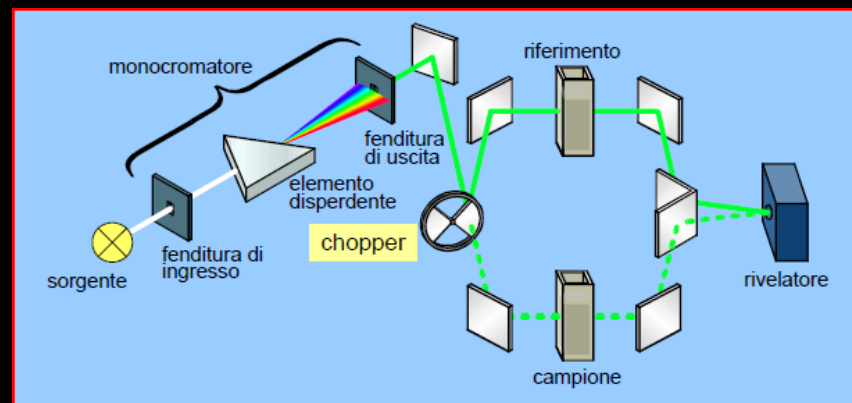


Halogen Lamp with Tungsten wire - VIS/NIR

# UV/VIS Spectro-photometer

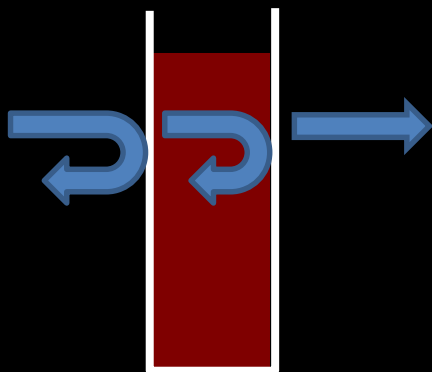
## Measure 2 - Transmittance

Measure of the power  $P_{REF}(\lambda)$  and  $P_{CAM}(\lambda)$  transmitted by the two arms with sample and reference for every  $\lambda$ .



$$P_{REF}(\lambda) = P_{0,REF}(\lambda)(1 - R_{CUV})e^{-\alpha_{SOLV}(\lambda)h}$$

Transmittance of the interfaces of the cuvette

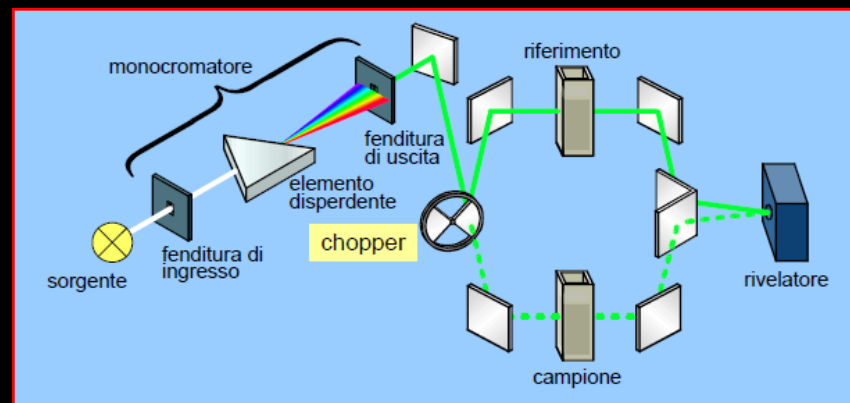


Transmittance of the solvent

# UV/VIS Spectro-photometer

## Measure 2 - Transmittance

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$$P_{REF}(\lambda) = P_{0,REF}(\lambda)(1 - R_{CUV})e^{-\alpha_{SOLV}(\lambda)h}$$

$$P_{SAM}(\lambda) = P_{0,SAM}(\lambda)(1 - R_{CUV})e^{-\alpha_{SOLV}(\lambda)h} \cdot e^{-\alpha_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda)h}$$

N.B.

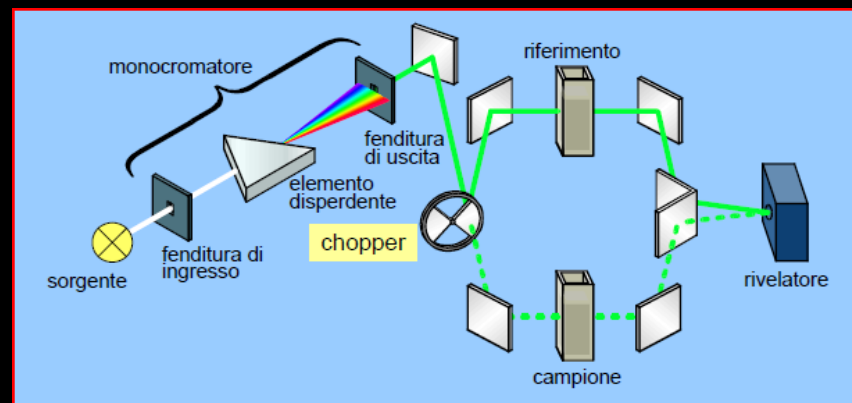
$$\frac{P_{SAM}(\lambda)}{P_{0,SAM}(\lambda)} \neq T_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda) = e^{-\alpha_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda)h}$$



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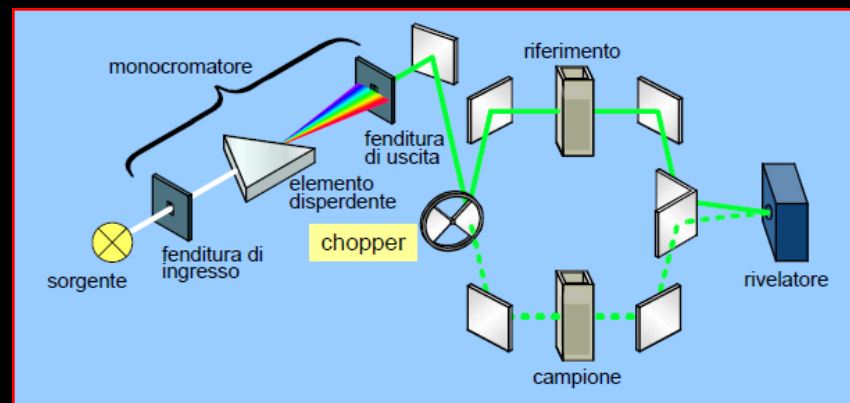
$$\frac{P_{SAM}(\lambda)}{P_{REF}(\lambda)} = \frac{P_{0,SAM}(\lambda)}{P_{0,REF}(\lambda)} e^{-\alpha_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda)h} = F_{INSTR}(\lambda) e^{-\alpha_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda)h}$$

$$T(\lambda) = e^{-\alpha_{FLUOROPHORE}(\lambda)h} = \frac{P_{SAM}(\lambda)}{P_{REF}(\lambda)} \cdot \frac{1}{F_{INSTR}(\lambda)}$$

Real  
Transmittance

# UV/VIS Spectro-photometer

## *Parameters of a Perkin Elmer UV/Vis/NIR LAMBDA 19 spectro-photometer*



**Spectral Range:** 190-3200 nm

**Resolution:** 0.05 to 5.0 nm with steps of 0.01 nm (UV/VIS)  
0.2 to 20 nm in NIR

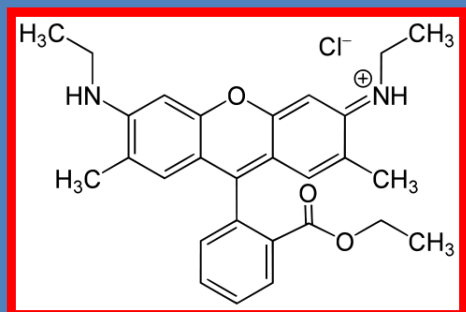
**Accuracy on  $\lambda$ :** +/- 0.15 nm ( UV/VIS )  
+/- 0.6 nm ( NIR )

**Repeatability  $\lambda$ :** better than 0.02 nm ( UV/VIS )  
better than 0.08 nm ( NIR )

# Spettrofotometro UV/VIS

## **EXPERIMENT**

### **Measure of the molar extinction coefficient of Rhodamine 6G**

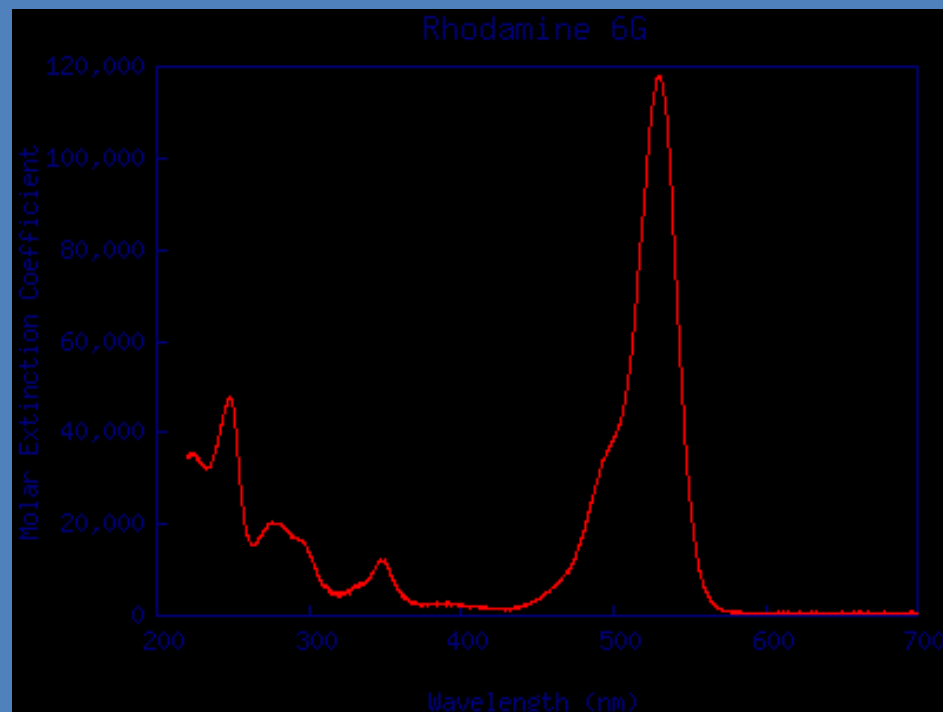


Molecular Weight: 479.02 g/mol

Molar extinction coefficient  $\epsilon$   
at  $\lambda=529.75$  nm : 116000 L mol<sup>-1</sup>cm<sup>-1</sup>

Concentration [C]  
in ethanol: 2·10<sup>-6</sup> mol/L  
0.96µg/mL

Absorption Coefficient  
at  $\lambda=529.75$  nm: 2.3 ·  $\epsilon$  · [C]=0.54cm<sup>-1</sup>



Measured in ethanol