Special Issue

Raman Spectroscopy of Microstructures

Message from the Guest Editor

Raman spectroscopy (RS) is a well-known technique, which is broadly used in wide domains of physical chemistry, material physics, biology, engineering, and even planetary exploration. RS has become one of the leading tools to characterize the chemical composition and molecular structure of a material. A large amount of information about the nature of defects, the crystalline or amorphous character of a material, and the disorder can be provided by this technique. In this issue, original papers and review articles are particularly expected to show the interest of RS in topics such as: - The control of the preparation of materials such as thin films, nanoand microstructured materials, and the improvement of their quality; - The probe of incorporation point defects and the study of the defect structure; - The link with phase changes (coexisting phases, phase transitions); -The enhancement of properties (mechanical, electronic, optical, etc.) via a better knowledge of the structure. This issue could provide an overview of the various applications of this important tool in different domains of physics and chemistry.

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