



Effortless Emulsion Evaluation for Everyone



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Outline



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- What is an emulsion?
- Measuring size->laser diffraction
- Measuring size->dynamic light scattering
- Measuring charge->zeta potential

What is an emulsion



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- “Mixture” of two immiscible liquids such as oil in water.



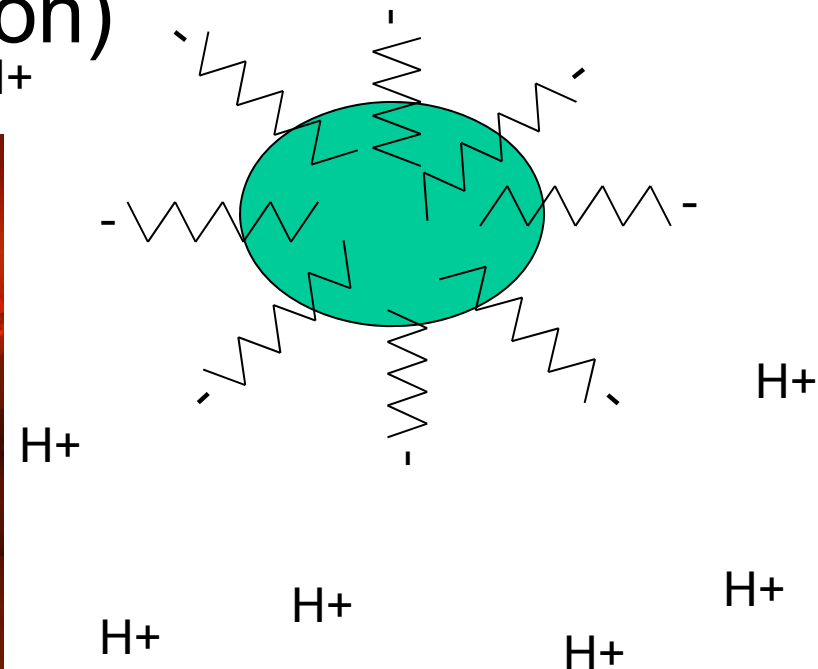
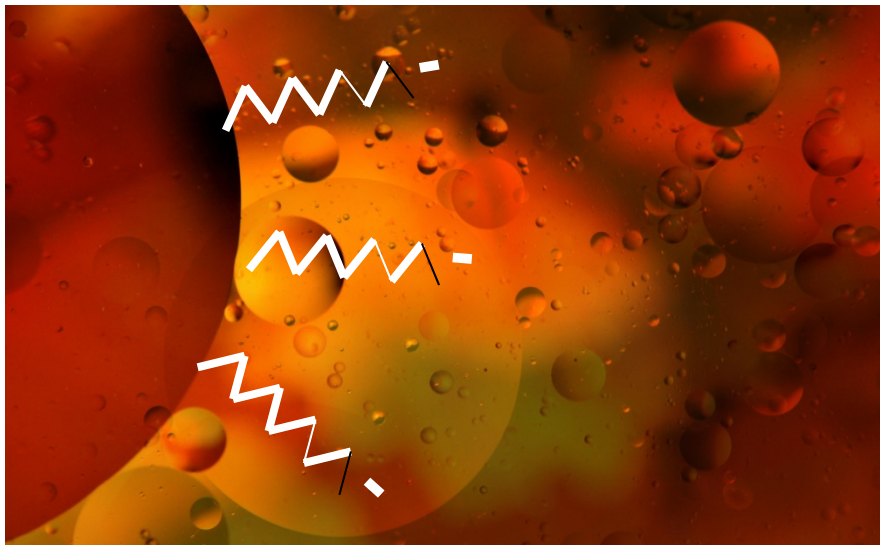
Also need an emulsifier!

Emulsifier?

- Droplets are not stable due to large surface area.
- Use an emulsifier to reduce surface energy (surface tension)

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Examples of Emulsions

■ Food

- Salad dressings
- Mayonnaise (oil in water, high particle conc.)
- Butter (water in oil)
- Flavoring



■ Pharma/Personal Care

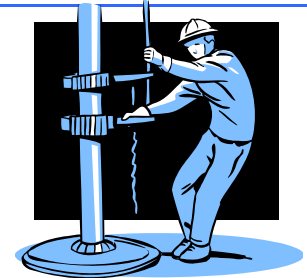
- Lotions/Creams
- Drug delivery



Industrial Emulsions

■ Drilling Fluid

- MI SWACO Schlumberger has a reversible oil-water emulsion!



https://www.slb.com/~media/Files/resources/oilfield_review/ors04/aut04/06_reversible_drilling.pdf

■ Cutting Fluid

- Water for heat removal/environmental friendliness
- Oil for lubrication



■ Waste

- Waste that includes oil droplets that are emulsified cannot be treated by simple flotation. The emulsion should be broken.





Emulsion polymers

- You often hear of emulsion polymers. When prepared, they are suspensions of polymer particles in a liquid.
- One step in their preparation is the preparation of an oil (monomer) in water emulsion.



What do we care about?

■ Droplet Size

- Affects mouth feel and flavor for food
- Affects kinetics of chemistry (e.g., flavor or drug release)
- Affects suspension viscosity
- Affects suspension appearance
- Affects suspension stability

■ Surface Charge

- Affects suspension stability

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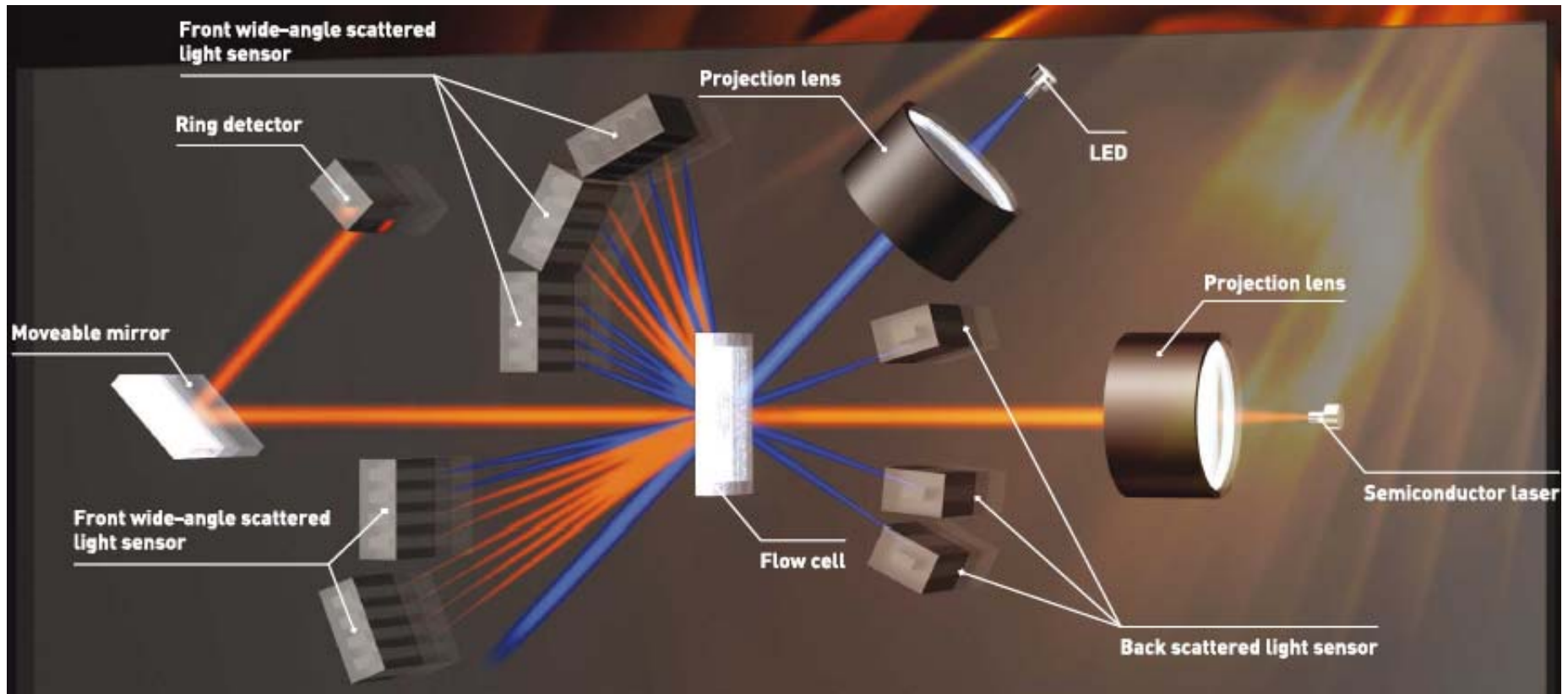
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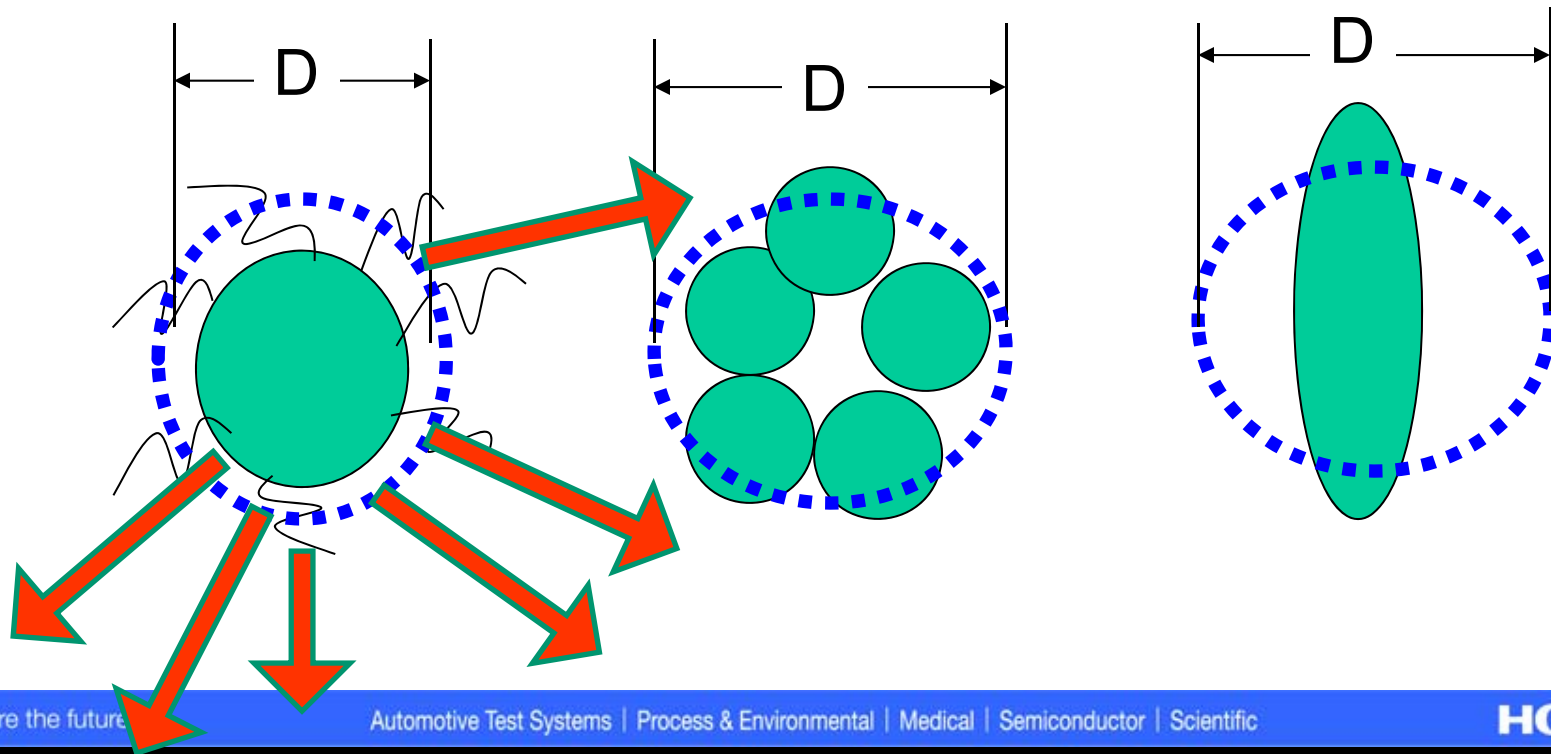
- Measuring charge->zeta potential

The Measurement: LA-950 Optics

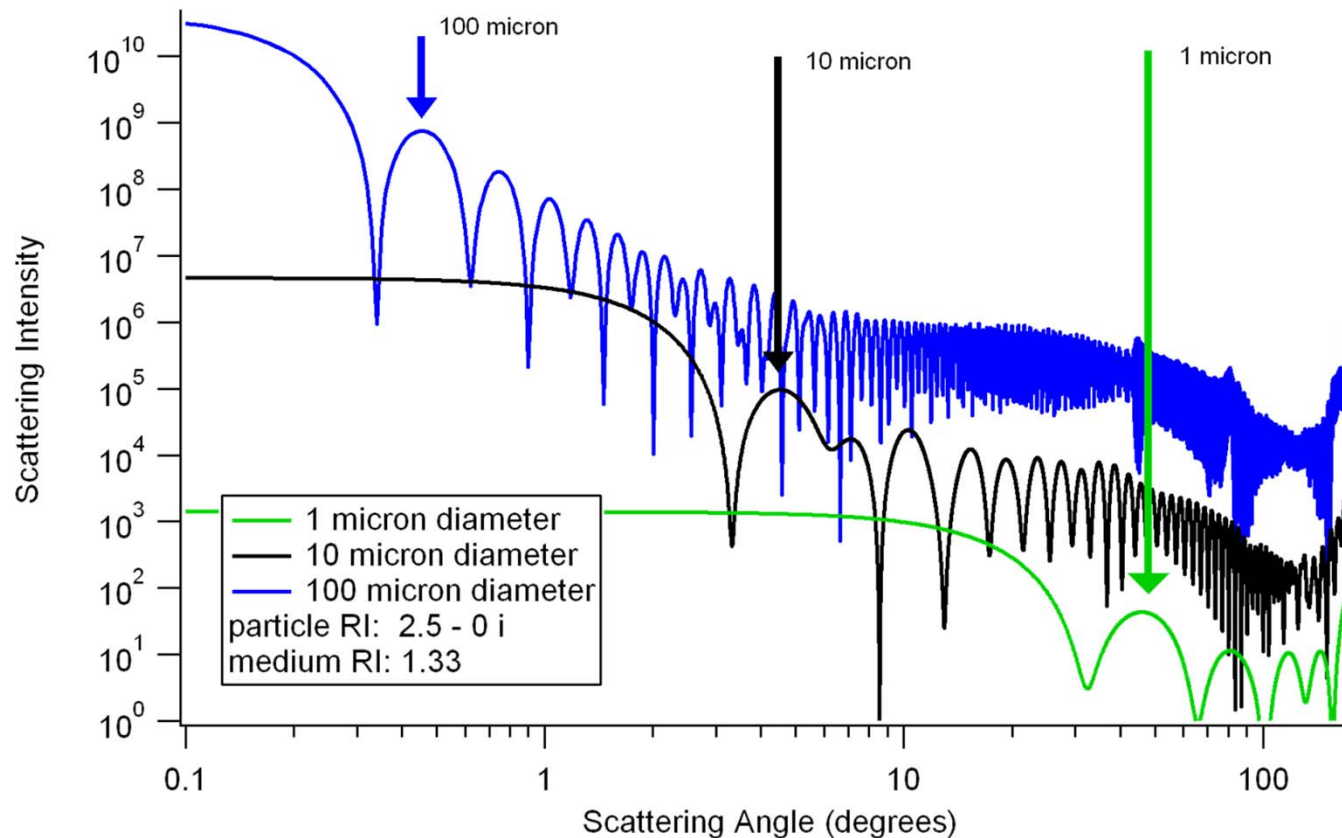


What is Measured?

- Laser diffraction gives the diameter of a sphere that scatters the same way as your sample.



Mie: Effect of Size



As diameter increases, intensity (per particle) increases and location of first peak shifts to smaller angle.

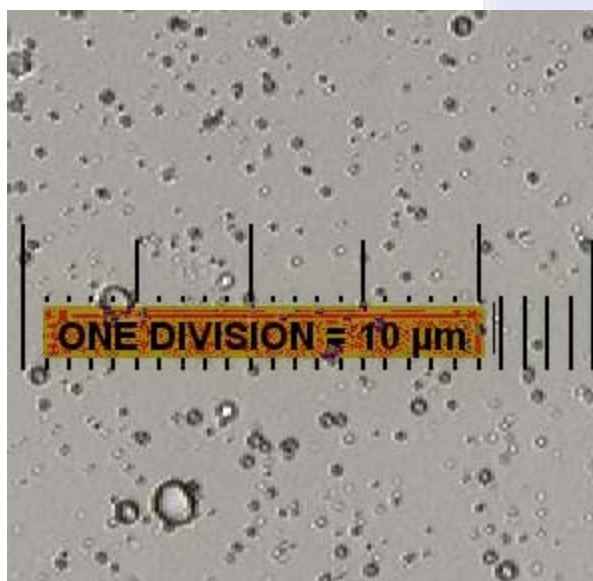
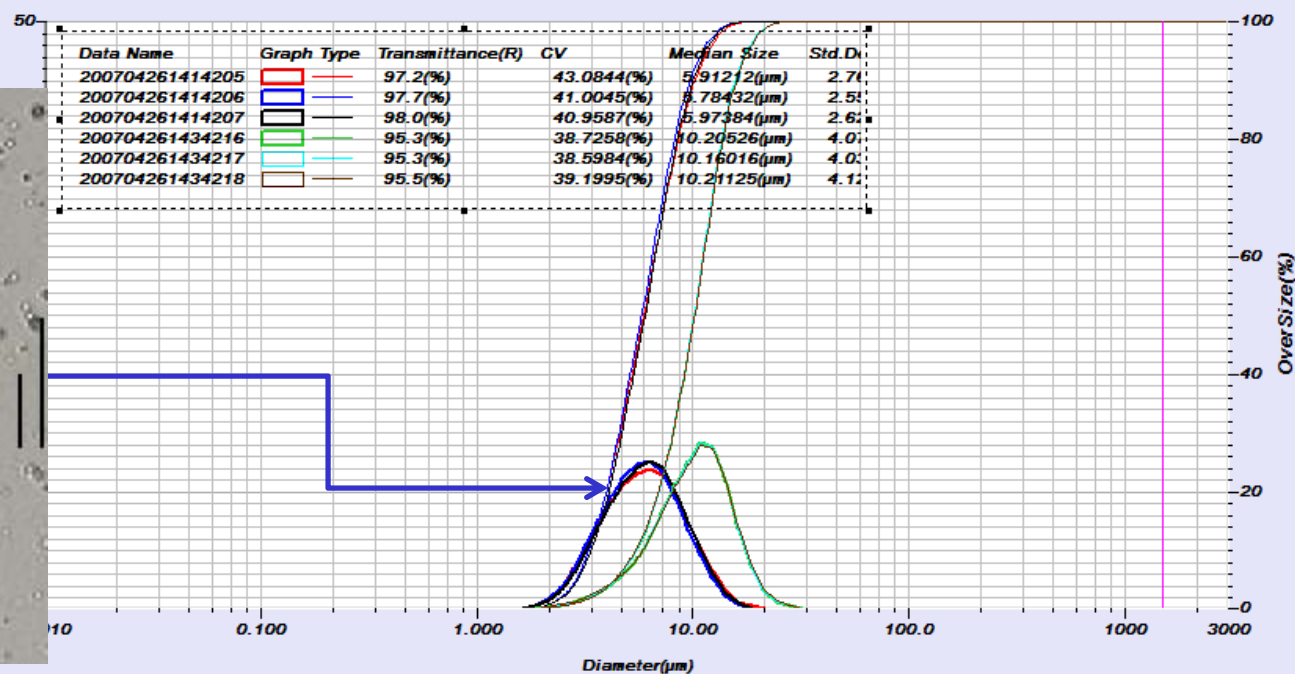
Water in oil emulsion



Oil industry

Distribution Graph | Data Table | Result Data

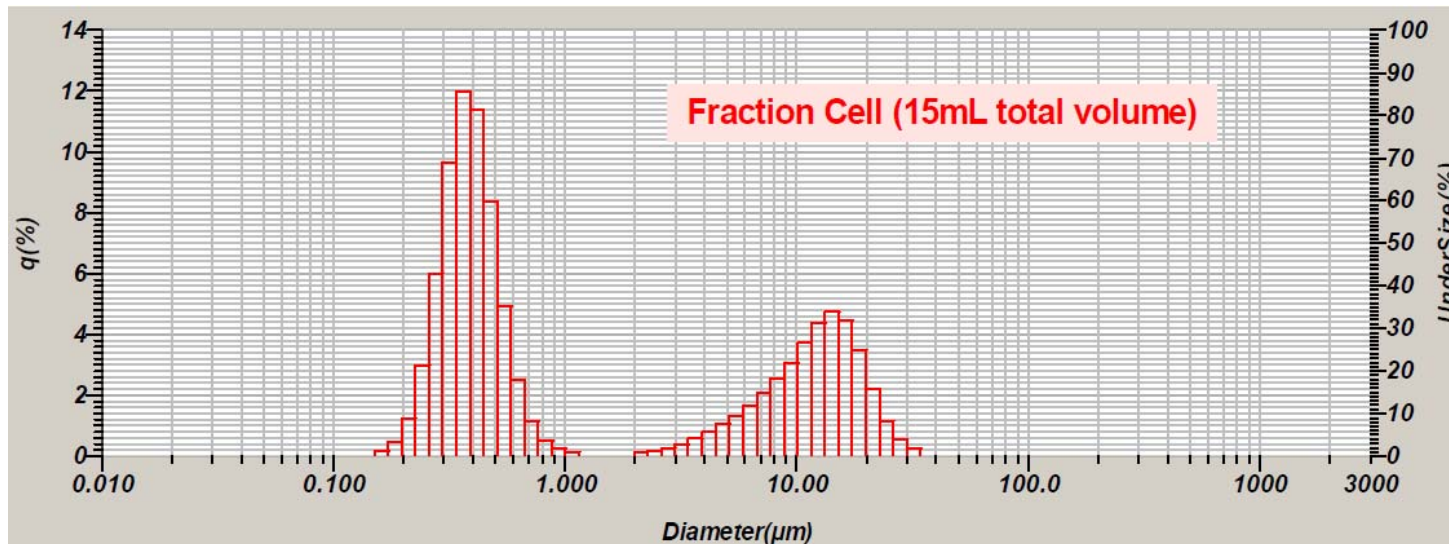
S.P.Area : 11385(cm ² /cm ³)	Transmittance(R) : 97.7(%)
Mean Size : 6.22020(μm)	Transmittance(B) : 91.9(%)
Variance : 6.5054(μm ²)	Sample Data Acquisition Times (LD) : 5000
Median Size : 5.78432(μm)	Sample Data Acquisition Times (LED) : 5000
Mode Size : 6.2572(μm)	Refractive Index (R) : OIL-WATER(OIL-WATER(1.330 - 0.000i),ISOPAR-V(1.480))
Chi Square : 16.673883	Refractive Index (B) : OIL-WATER(OIL-WATER(1.330 - 0.000i),ISOPAR-V(1.480))
R Parameter : 1.2143E-1	Iteration Number : 15
	Measurement Time : Thursday, April 26, 2007 5:14:25 PM
	Circulation Speed : 5
	Ultra Sonic : OFF



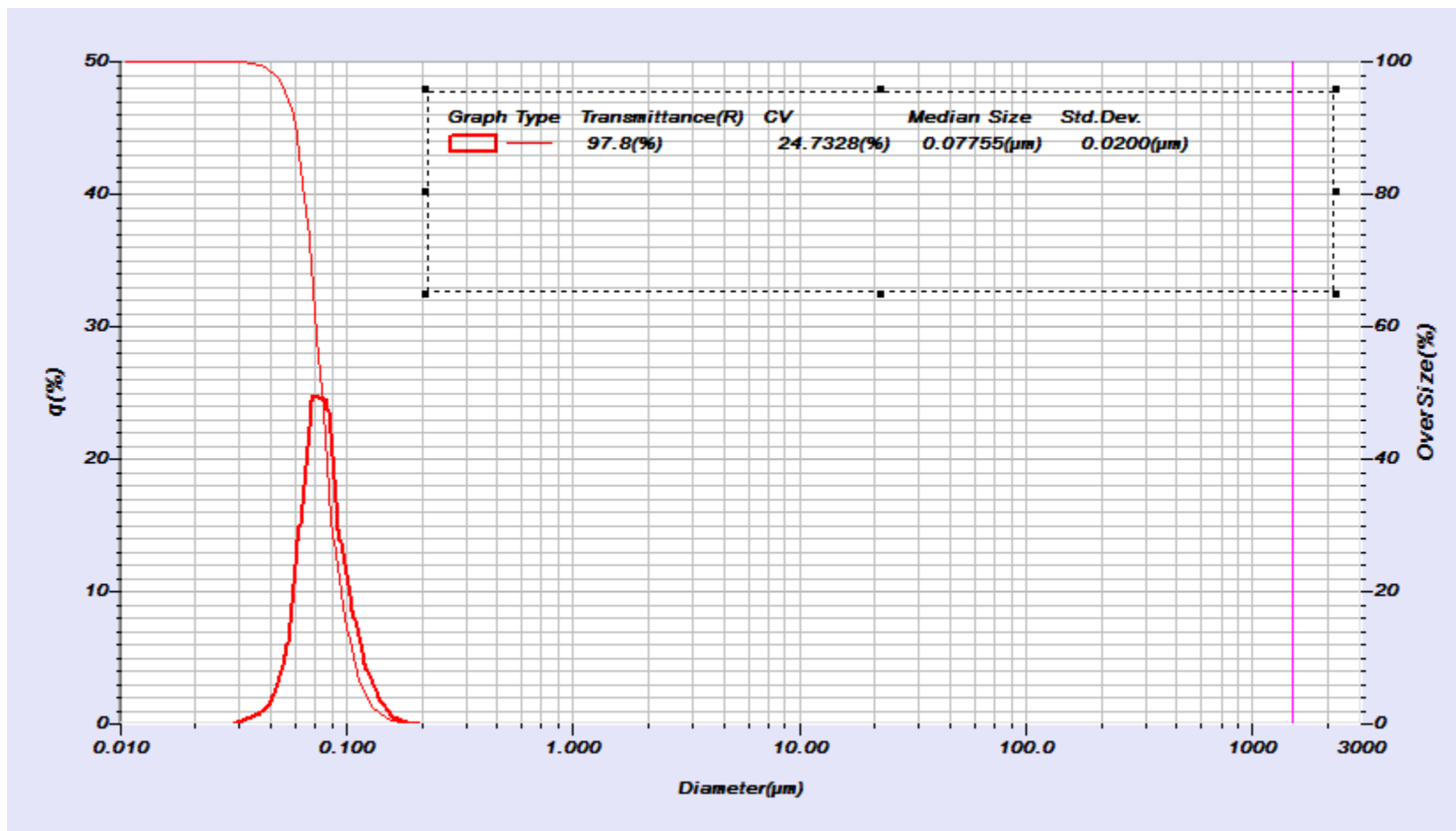
Pharma Emulsion



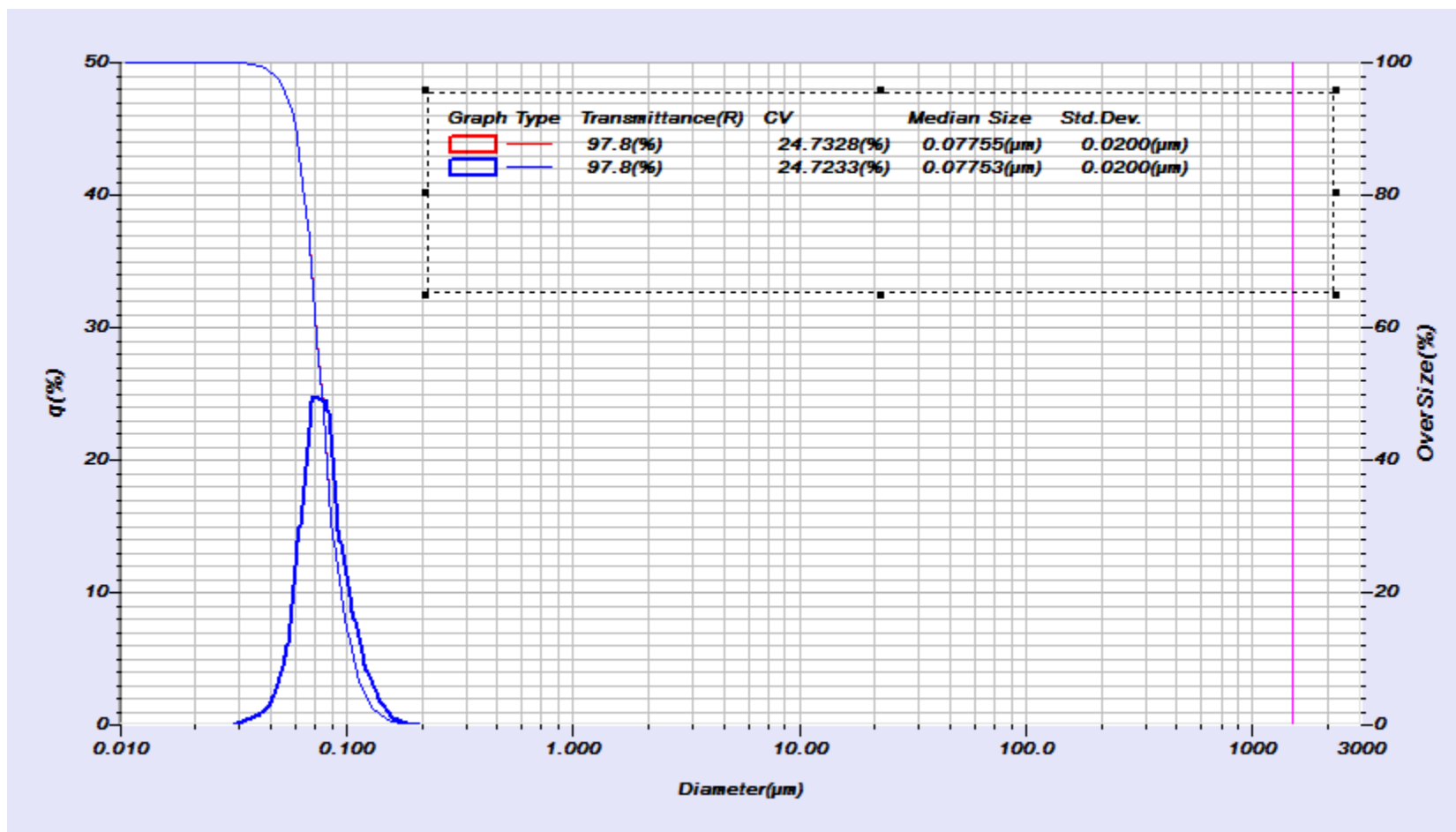
- Bimodal distribution, another water in oil emulsion.
- Used fraction cell for small sample volume.



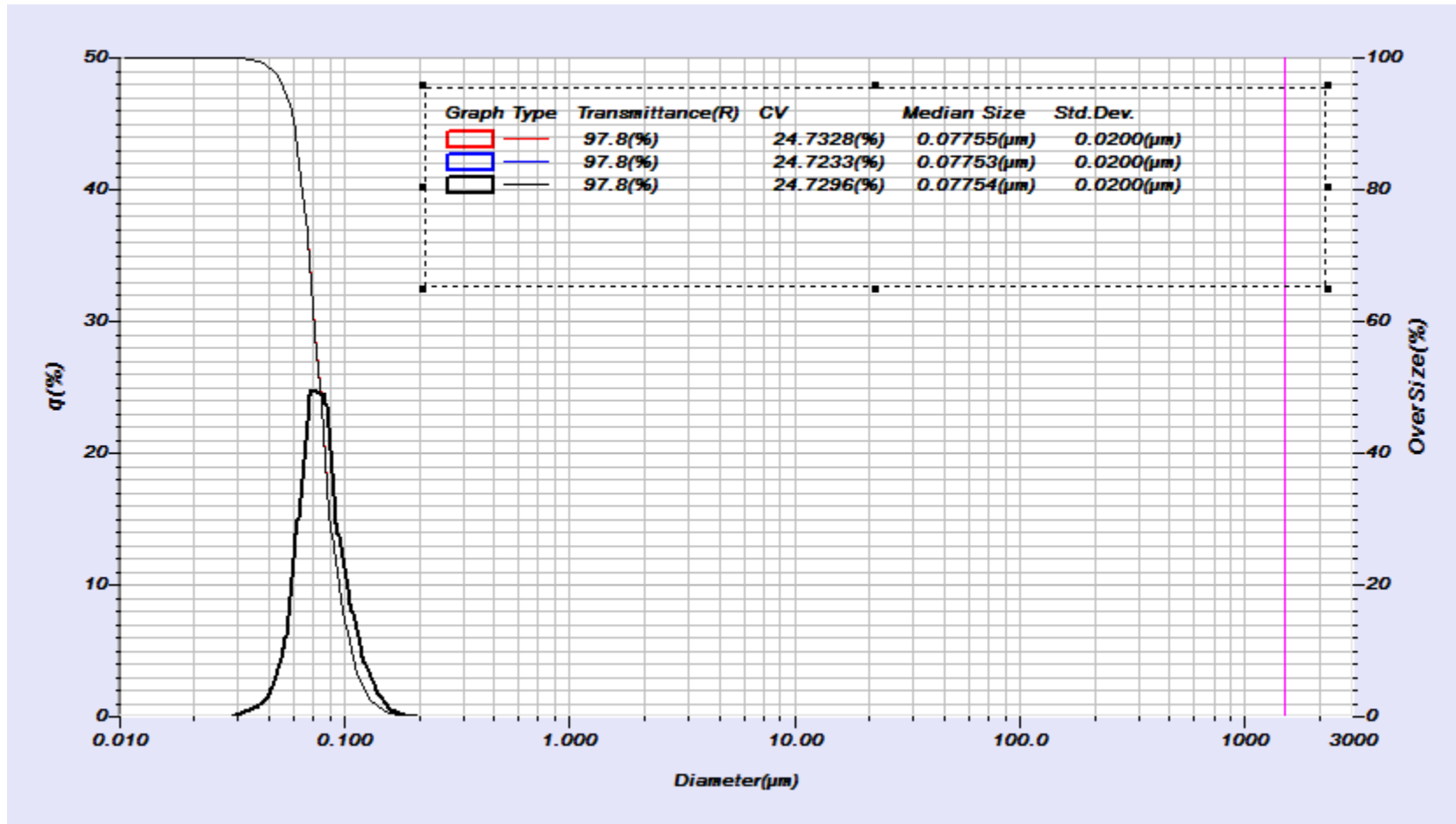
Lotion (oil in water)



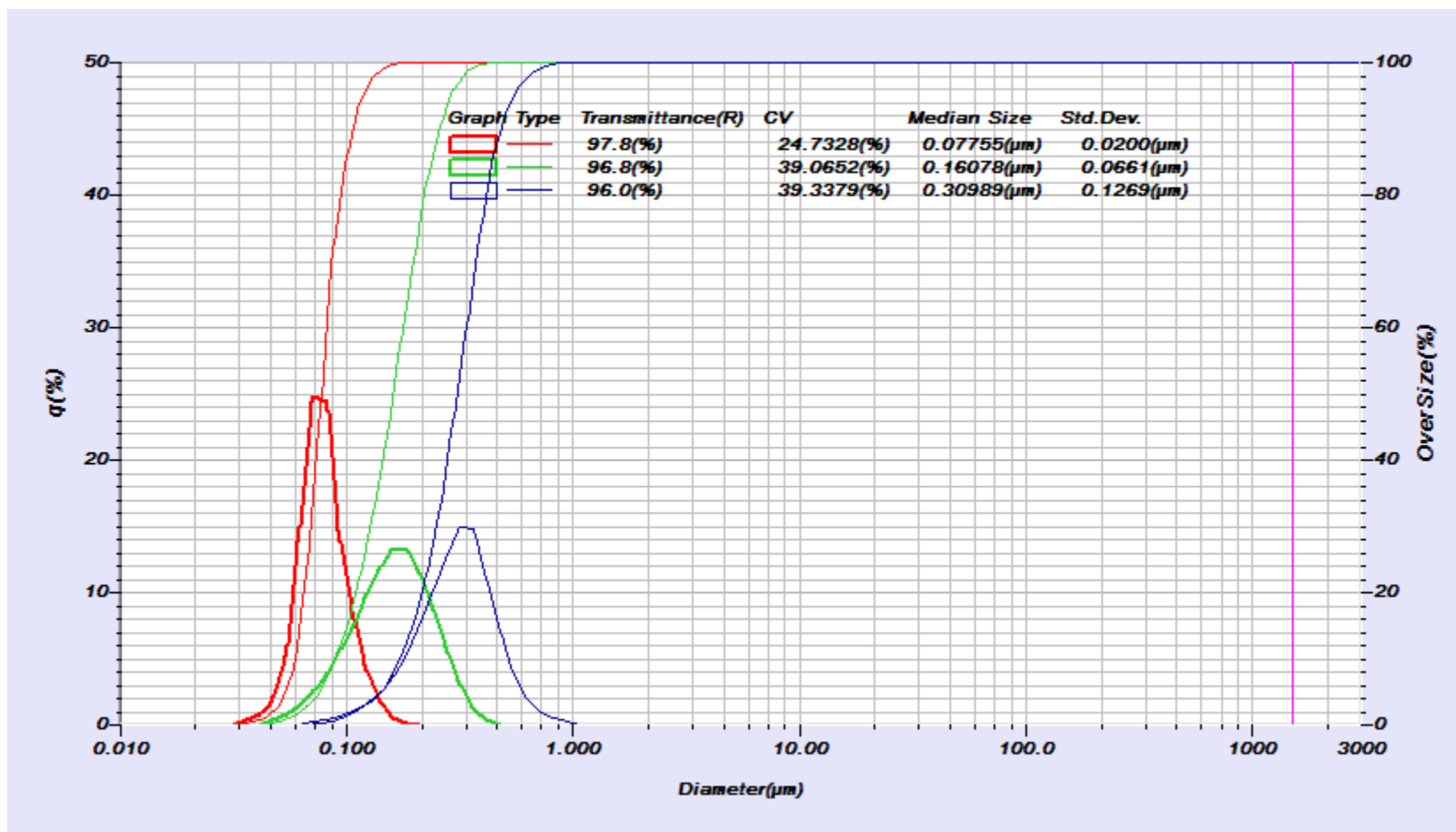
Lotion (oil in water)-overlay



Lotion (oil in water)-3rd repeat



A variety of formulas



Pop Quiz



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Laser Diffraction can be used to measure:

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Any emulsion, but check chemical compatibility.

Instruments with chemically resistant parts are easy, but somewhat more expensive to build. Check this point when using (or purchasing) an instrument.

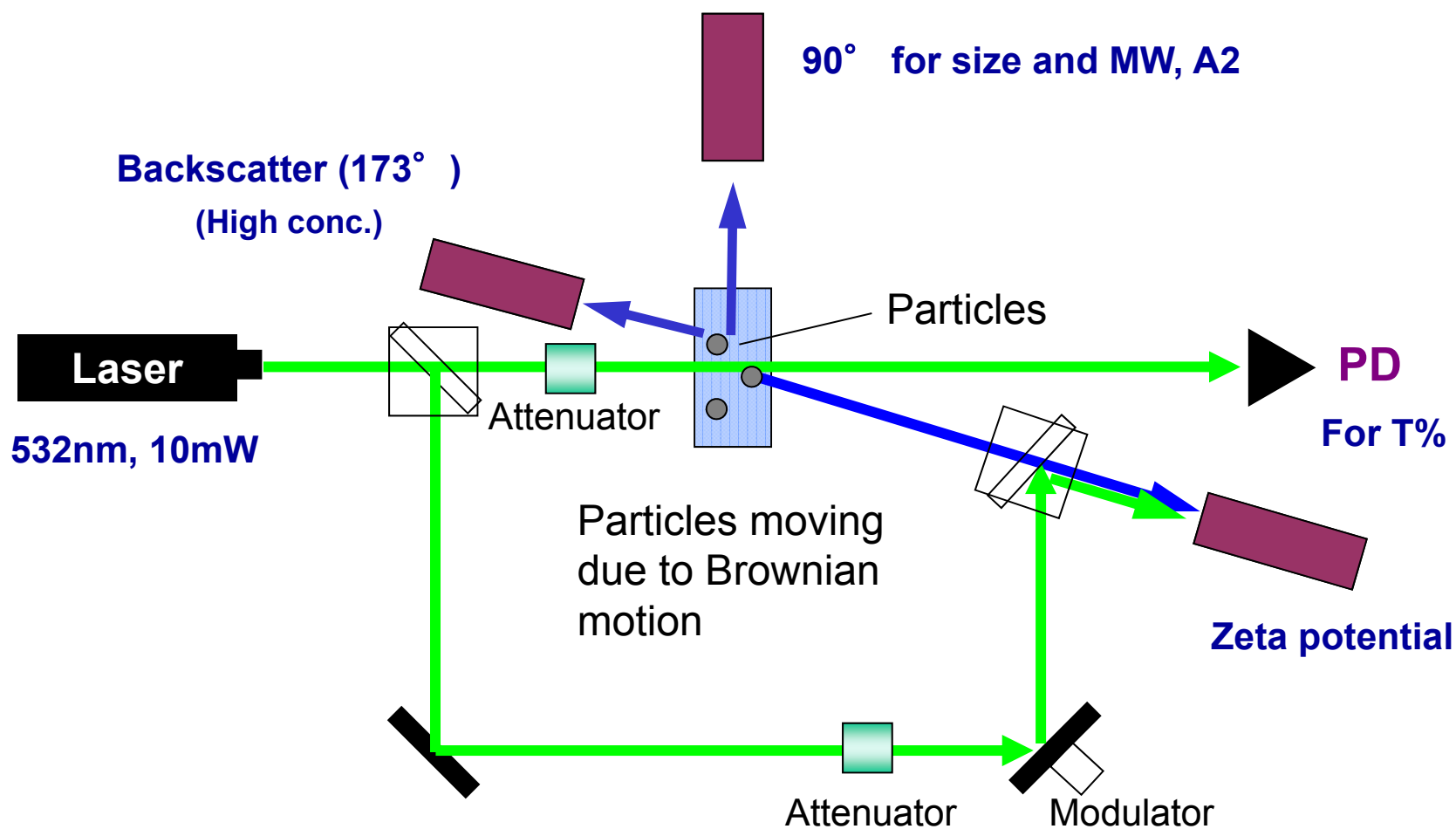
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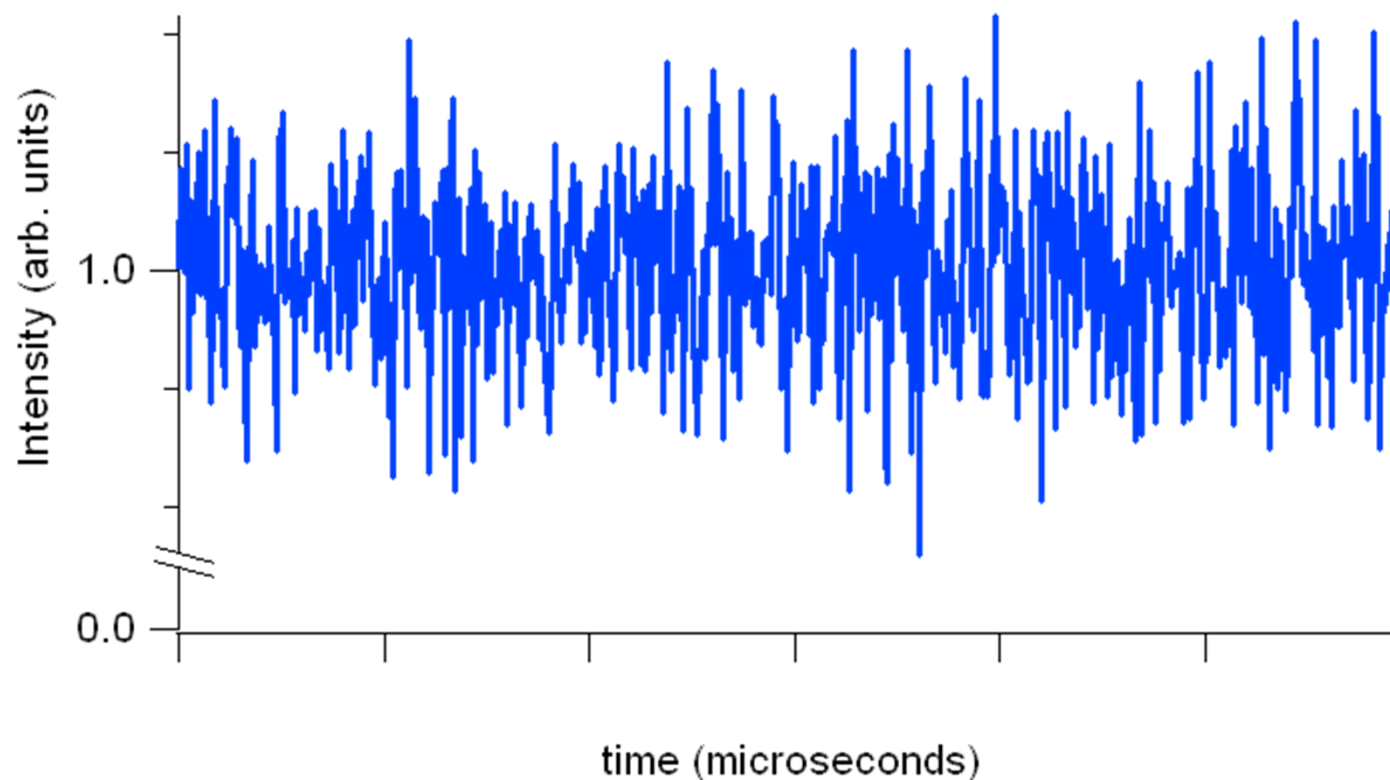
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DLS Optics



DLS signal

- Random motion of particles leads to random fluctuations in signal (due to changing constructive/destructive interference of scattered light).



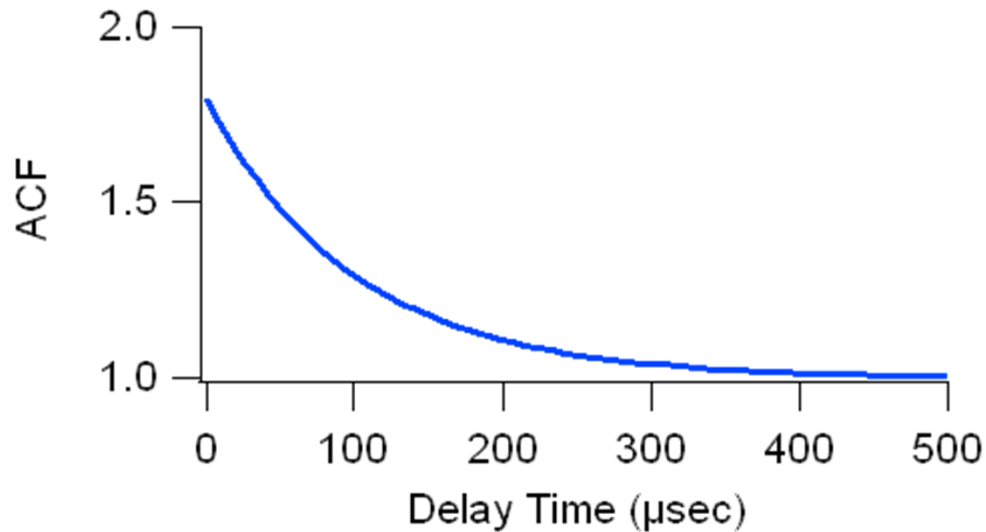
Correlation Function



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- Random fluctuations are interpreted in terms of the autocorrelation function (ACF).

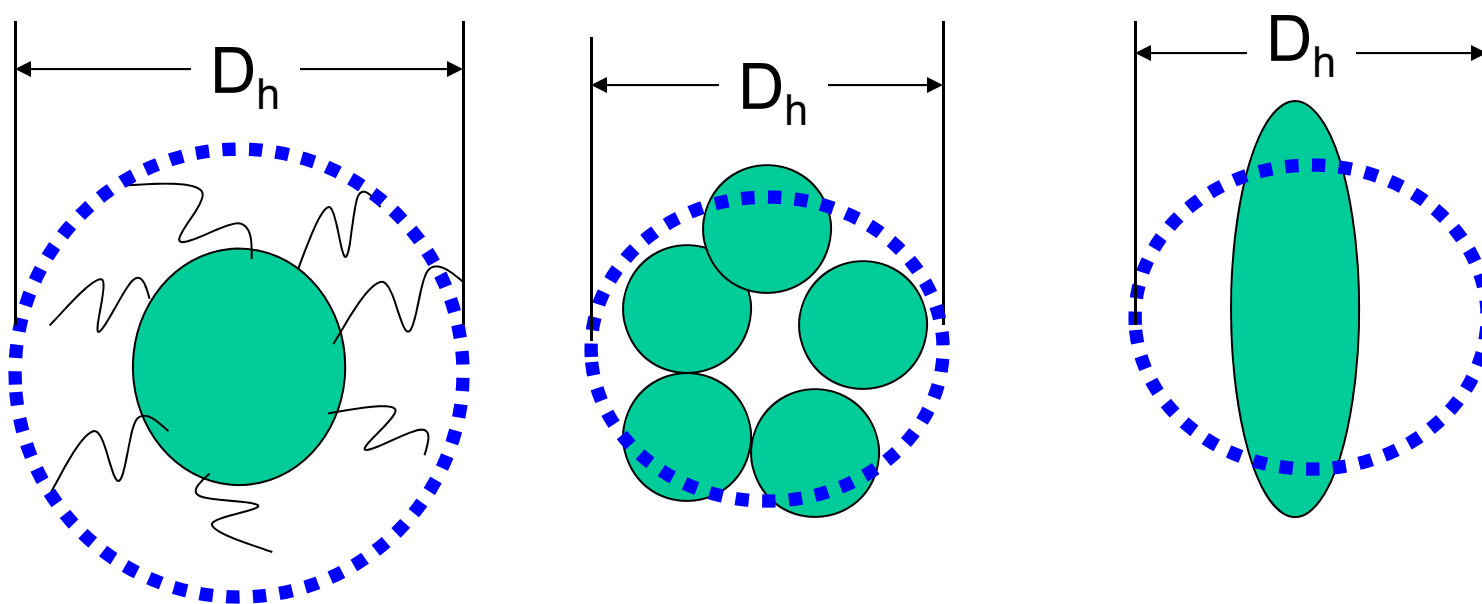
$$C(\tau) = \frac{\int_0^T I(t)I(t+\tau)dt}{\langle I(t)I(t) \rangle}$$



$$C(\tau) = 1 + \beta \exp(-2\Gamma \tau)$$

What is Measured?

- DLS gives the diameter of a sphere that moves (diffuses) the same way as your sample.



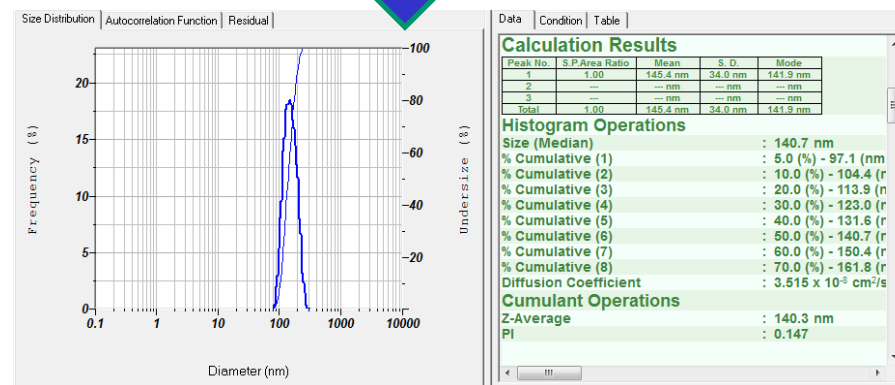
Making the Measurement



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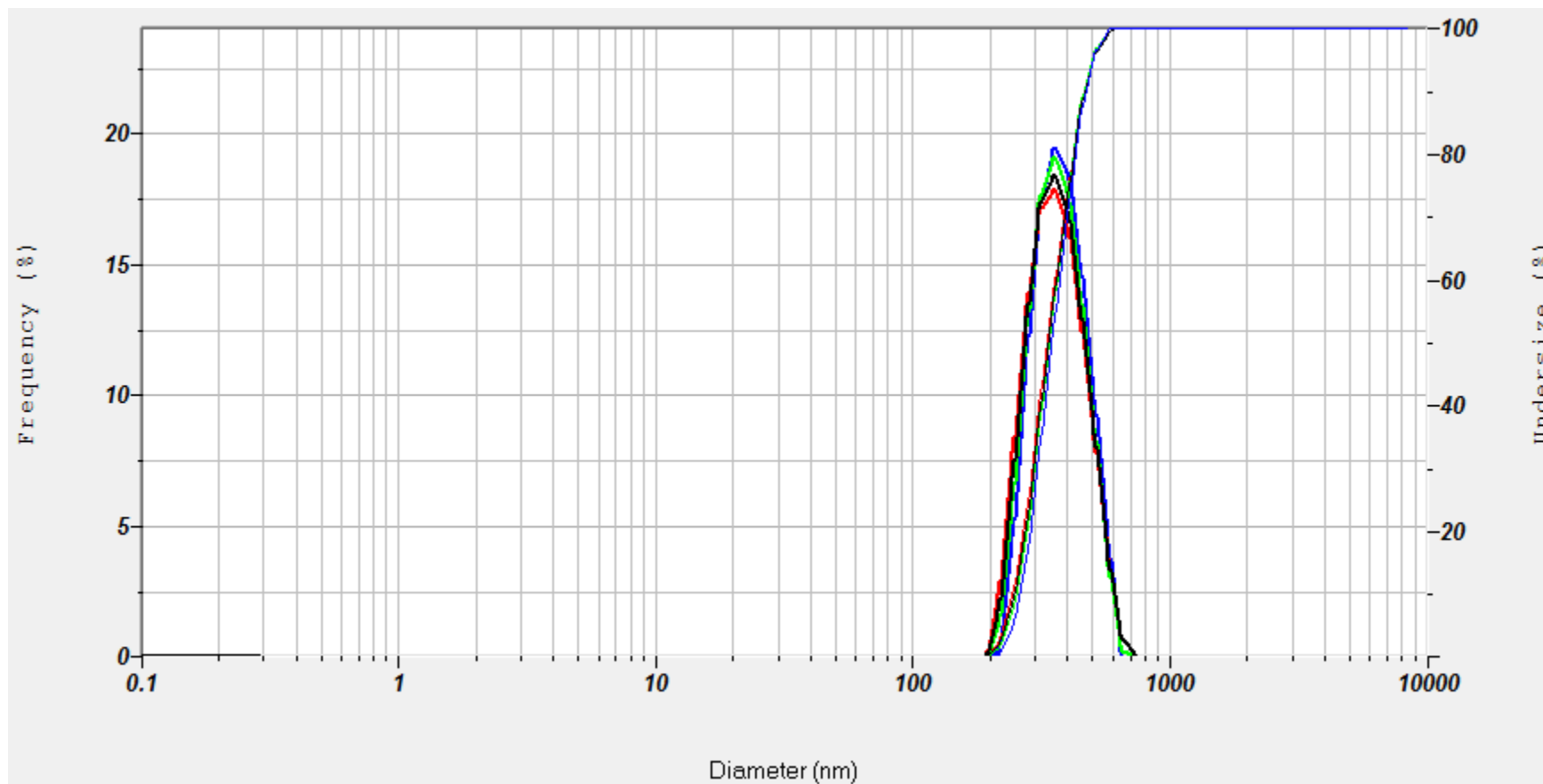
1. Fill sample cell.
2. Insert cell into instrument.
3. Click start.
4. Wait ~2 minutes.
5. Review results.



Repeats of flavor emulsion



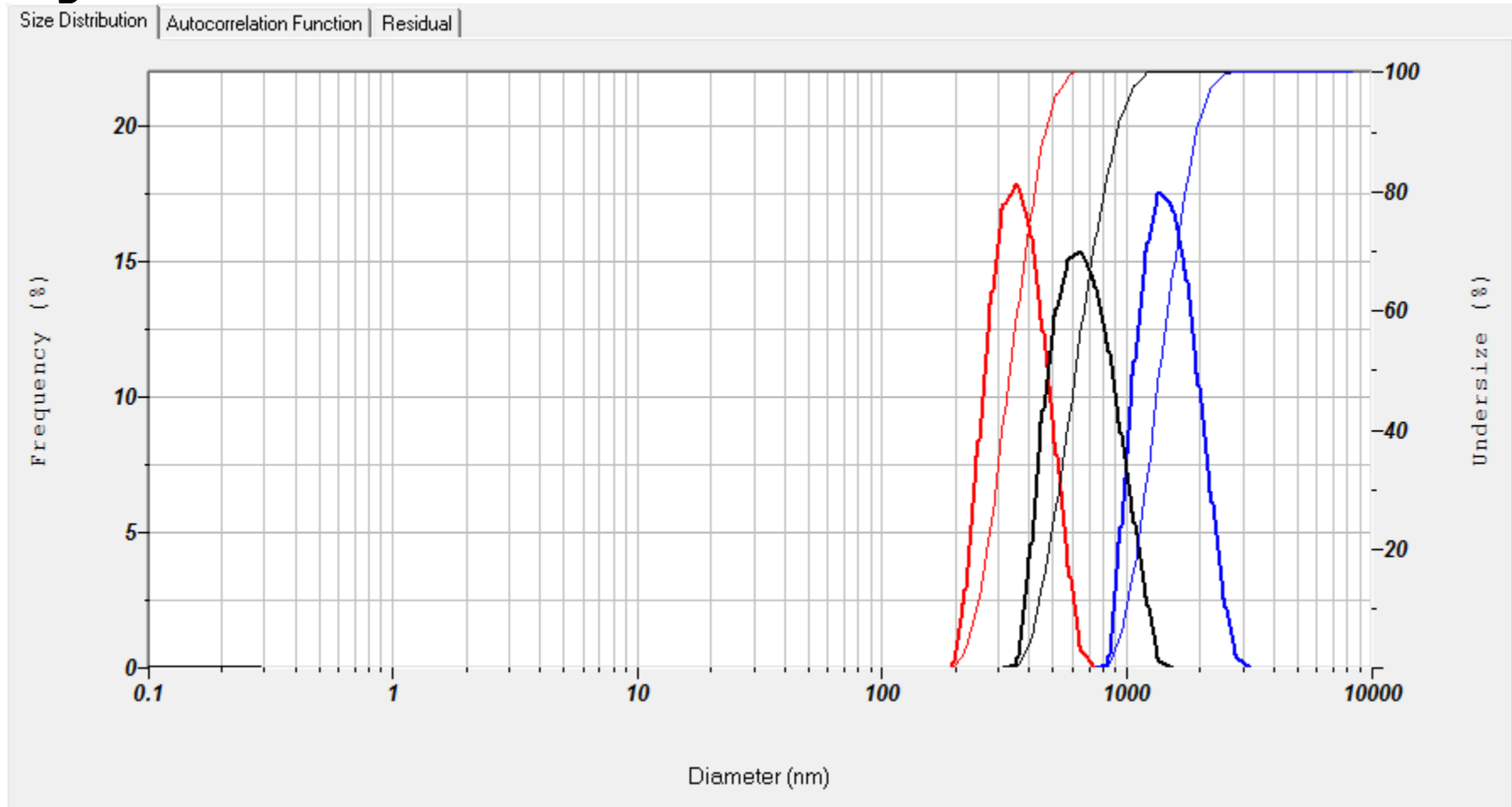
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Compare 3 flavor emulsions by DLS

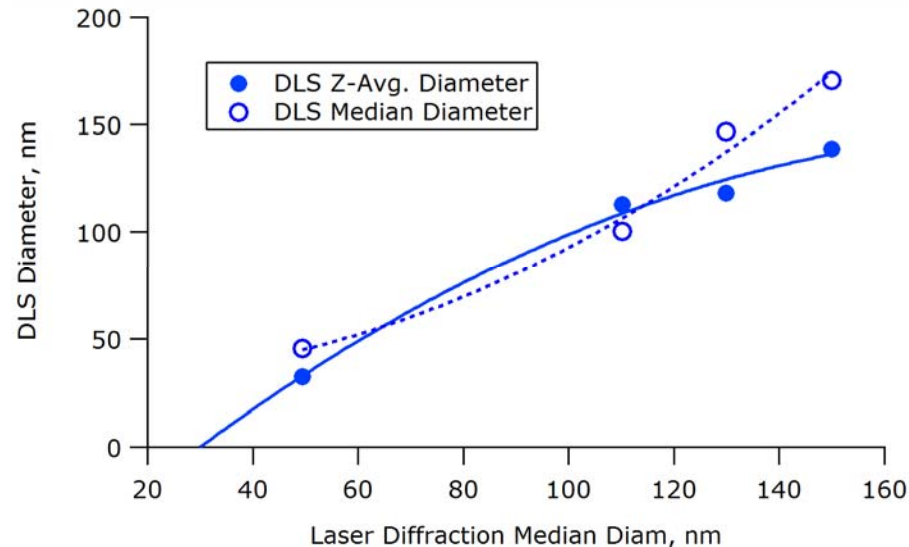


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DLS vs Diffraction

■ Flavor Emulsions, comparing two techniques



- Measuring slightly different things so results differ.
- Which to use?
 - What other sizes do you want to measure?
 - Stick with Z-average for DLS results
 - Choose one technique and stick with it.

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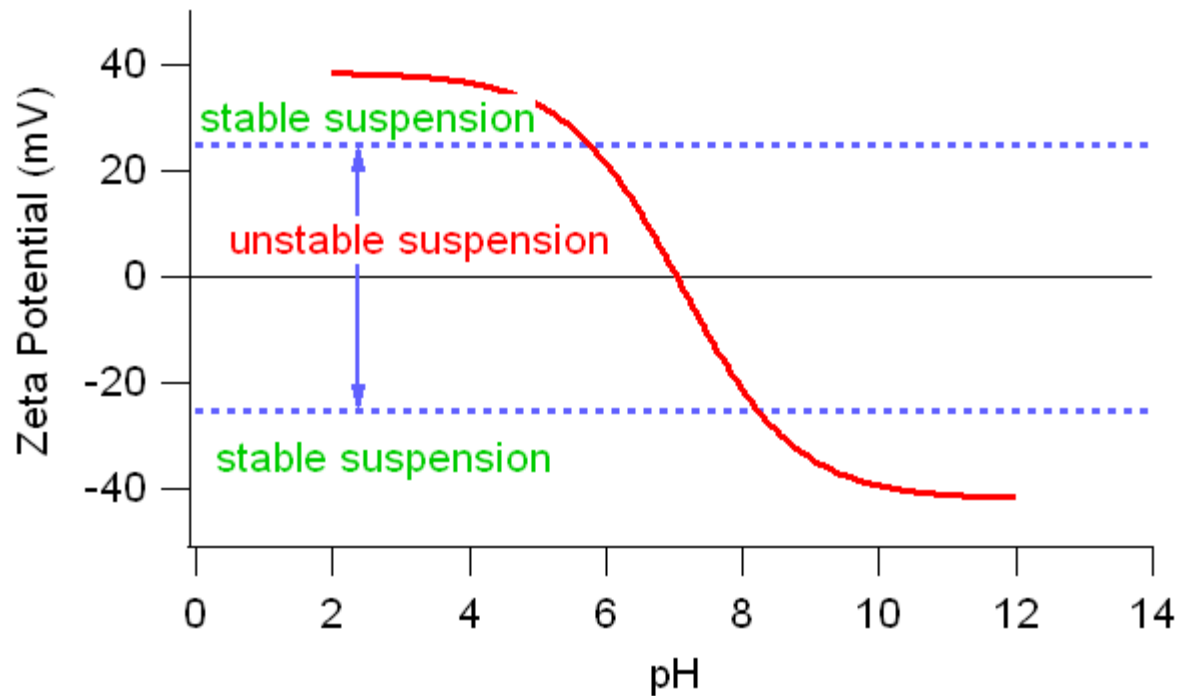


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Why Zeta Potential?

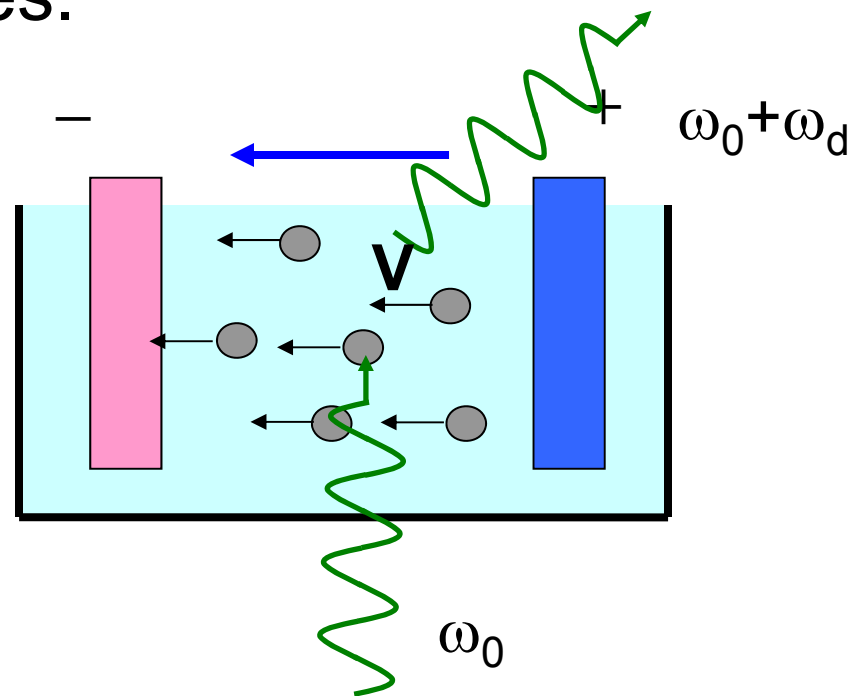
- Good way of evaluating electrostatic stabilization of suspensions
- Can use to predict interactions



How to determine zeta potential



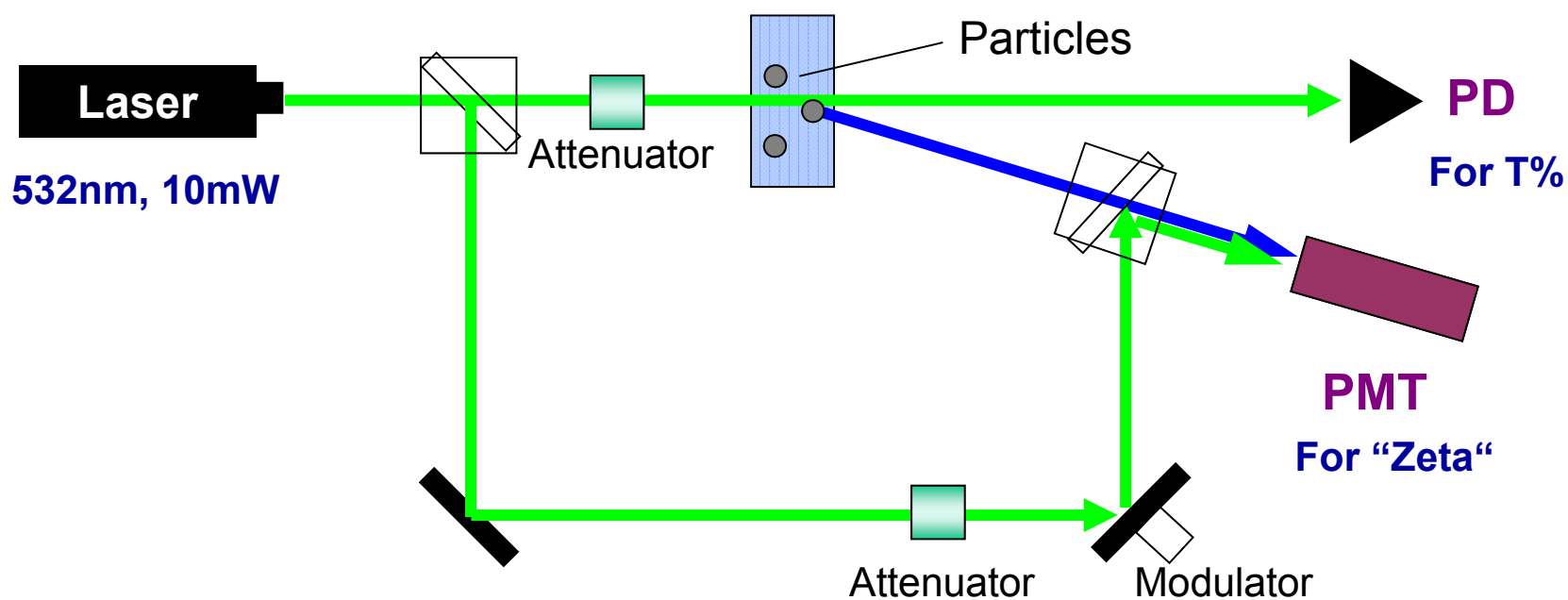
- Apply an electric field and probe response of particles to applied field.
- You need to see Doppler shift in scattered light due to particle motion with respect to fixed electrodes.



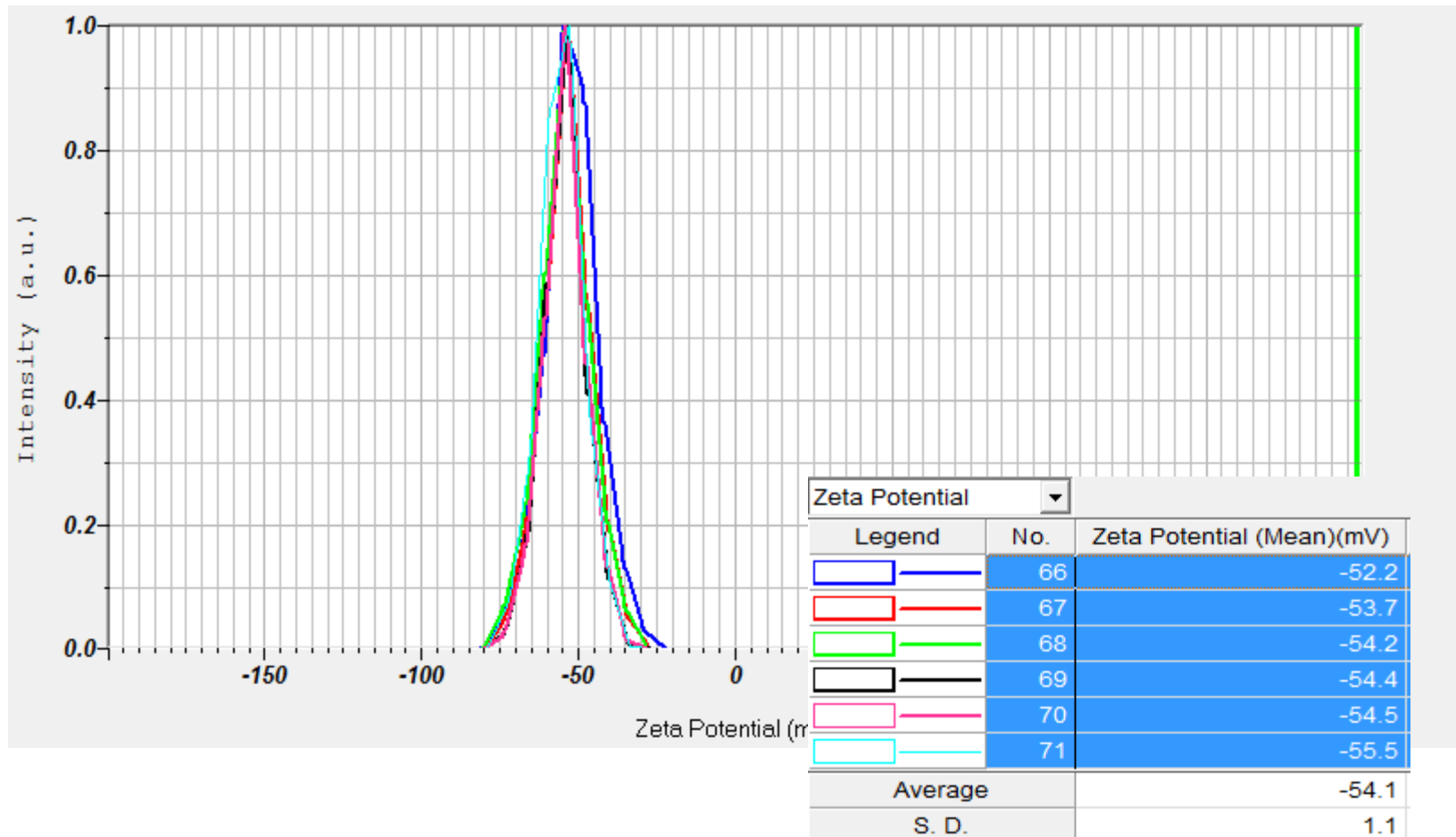
Optical System



Use optical mixing to extract motion of particles relative to electrodes.



Zeta Potential of Flavor



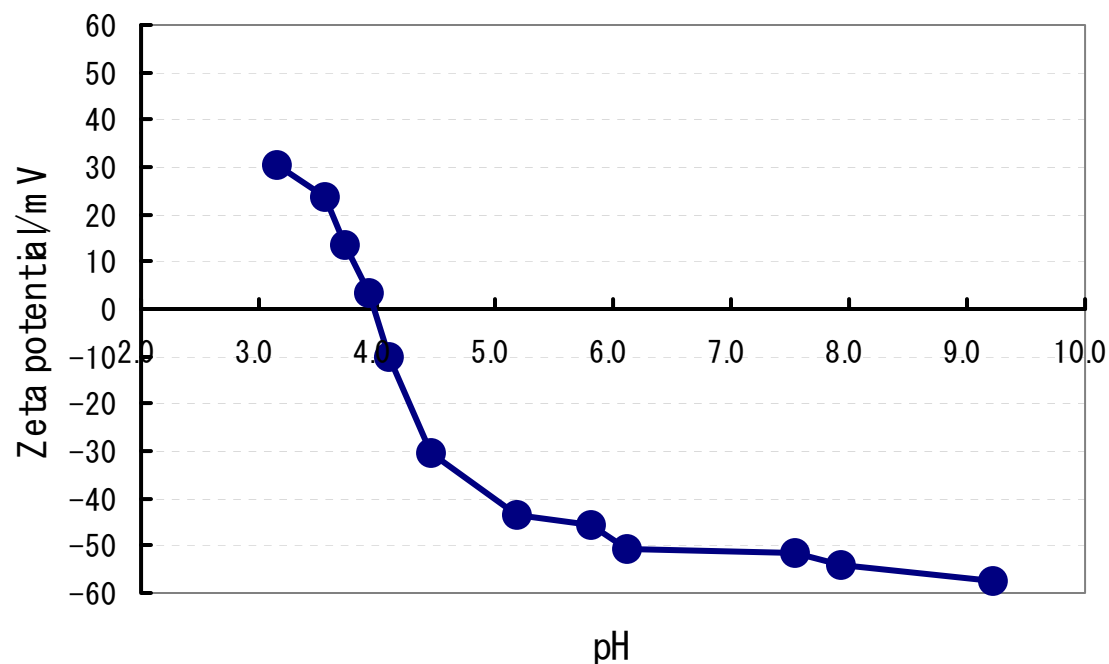
Good repeatability!

Effect of Liquid



● Iso Electric Point of Coffee Mate

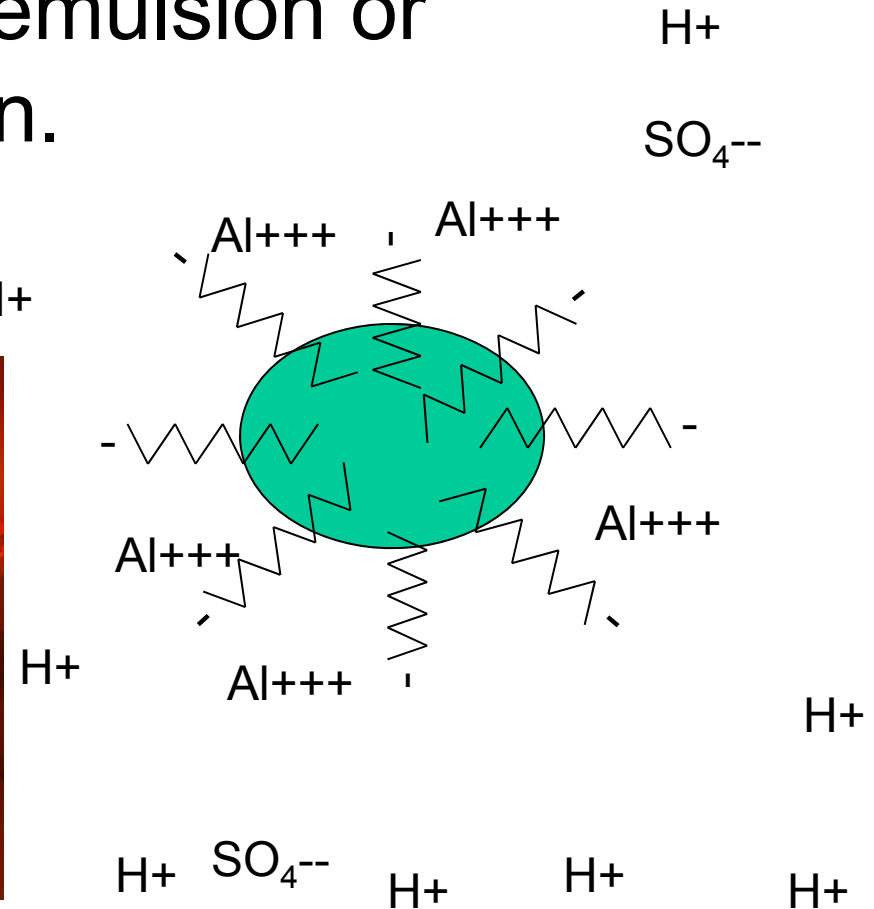
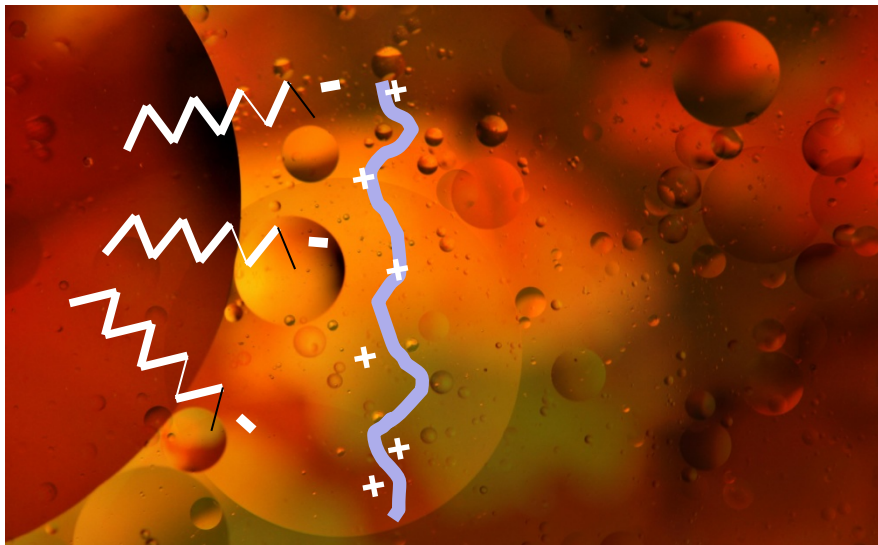
	Results
Iso-electric point	pH 4.0



Coagulant



- Use polyions to reduce effect of emulsifier and break emulsion or accelerate flocculation.



PreTest



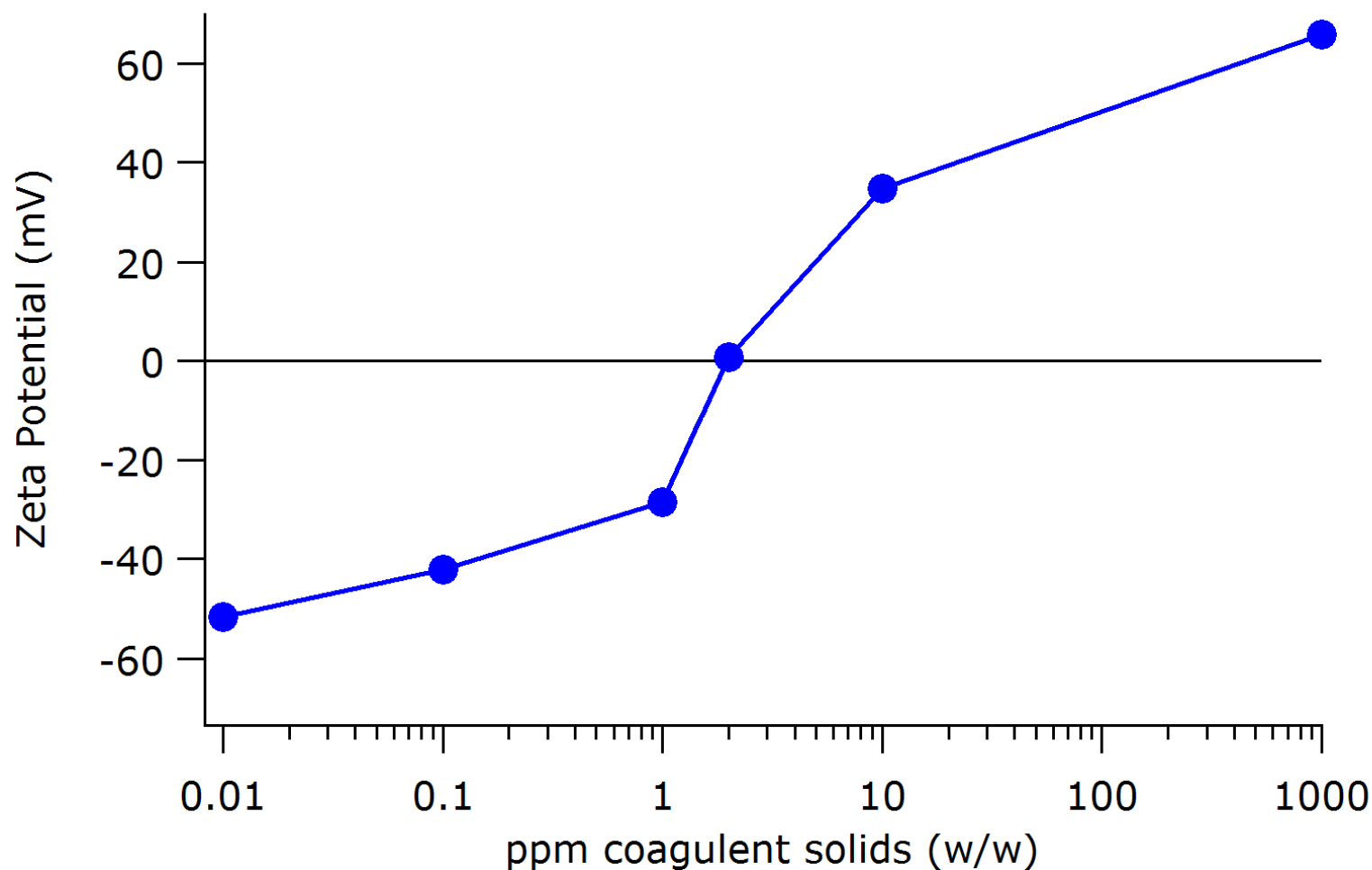
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- When adding coagulant to flocculate waste: ...

Wastewater



- Add proprietary coagulant to break emulsion



Dilution



- Sometimes samples need to be diluted. To check if the concentration is correct, do a concentration study.

Dilution DI:sample	Comments	Z-average size, nm (mean of 6 Repeats)
750:1	5 minute runs	670
1000:1	5 minute runs	657
1333:1	5 minute runs	668

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