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## High-Resolution Macro ATR-FTIR Chemical Imaging Capability at Australian Synchrotron Infrared Microspectroscopy (IRM) Beamline

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This presentation aims to provide a summary on technical aspects and applications of our synchrotron macro ATR-FTIR microspectroscopy, unique to the Infrared Microspectroscopy (IRM) beamline at ANSTO–Australian Synchrotron.<sup>1</sup> The device was developed by modifying the cantilever arm of a standard macro-ATR unit to accept Ge-ATR elements. Coupling synchrotron-IR beam to the Ge-ATR element ( $n=4$ ), reduces the beam focus size by a factor of 4 (improving lateral resolution), and the mapping step size by 4 times relative to the stage step motion. As a result, the macro ATR-FTIR measurement at our IRM beamline can be performed at minimum projected aperture (sampling spot size) of 1-2  $\mu\text{m}$  using a 20x objective, and minimum mapping step size of 250 nm, allowing high-resolution chemical imaging analysis with the resolution limit beyond those allowed for standard synchrotron-FTIR transmission and reflectance setups.

The technique has facilitated many experiments in a diverse range of research disciplinary. Here, there will be presentations based on macro ATR-FTIR technique in archaeology, electrochemistry (battery), biomedical and forensic sciences. Apart from these, we will provide additional applications in the fields of food and pharmaceutical science,<sup>2-4</sup> single-fibre analysis,<sup>5-6</sup> and dentistry.<sup>7</sup>

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