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**Impact of the embedded  $\text{TiO}_2$   
nanoparticles on the second  
harmonic generation in the KDP  
single crystals**

# KDP crystals

- low cost
- possibility of wide aperture crystals growing
- high laser damage threshold
- growth from aqueous solutions



- The relatively small values of  $d_{36}$

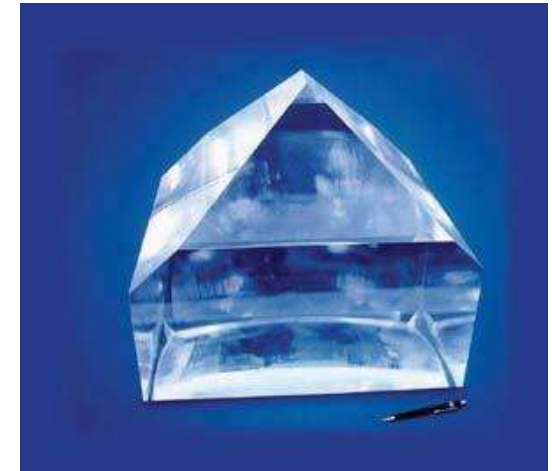
ways to improve the properties



The inclusion of organic/inorganic impurities on the growth phase (KCl,  $\text{Li}^{3+}$ , xylene orange)

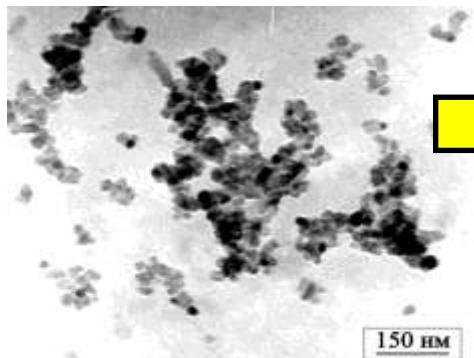
The incorporation of nanoparticles ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , CdTe)

**KDP crystal doped dye XO**





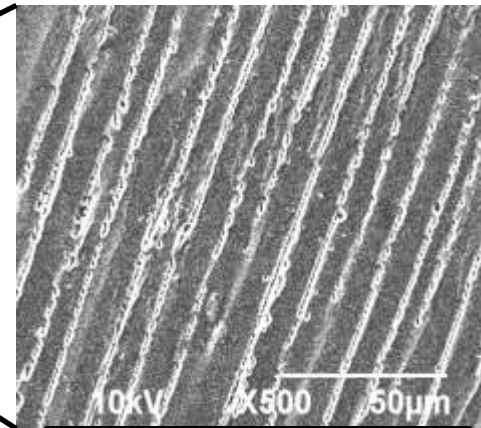
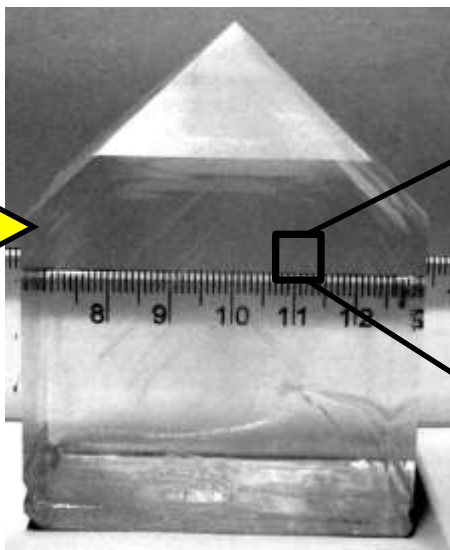
**TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles (anatase)**



*the average NPs size of 15 nm*

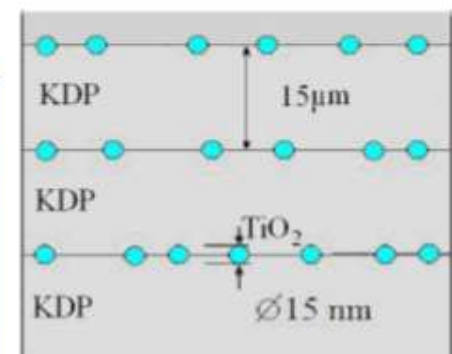
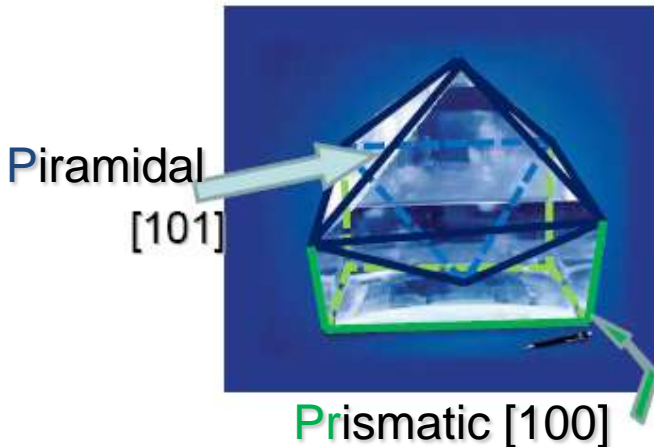
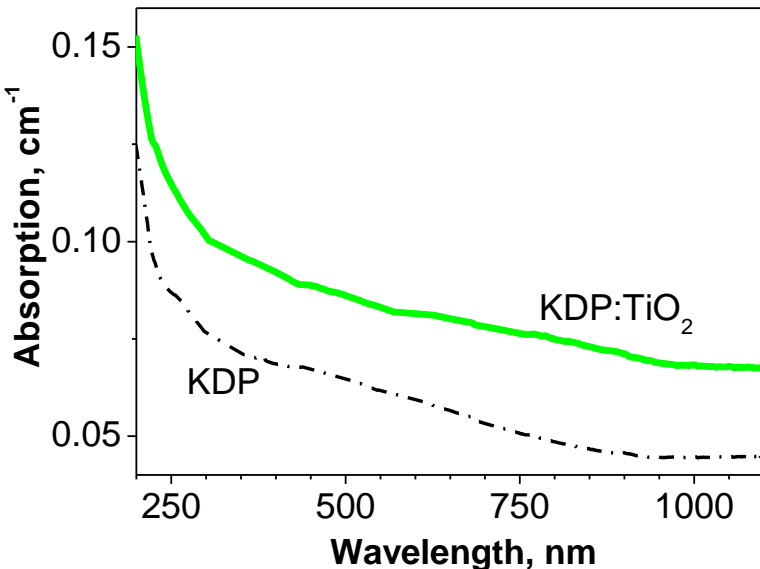
# Growth and characterization of KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> single crystals doped with TiO<sub>2</sub> nanocrystals

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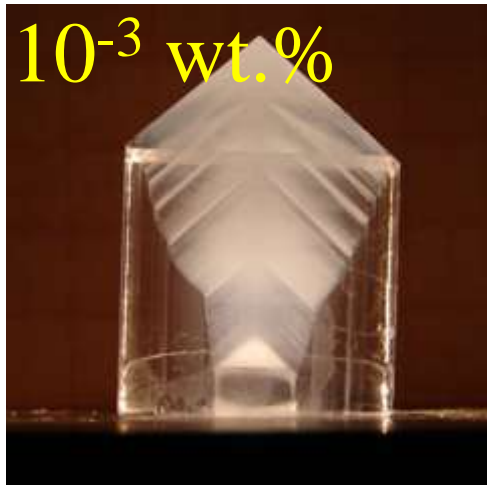
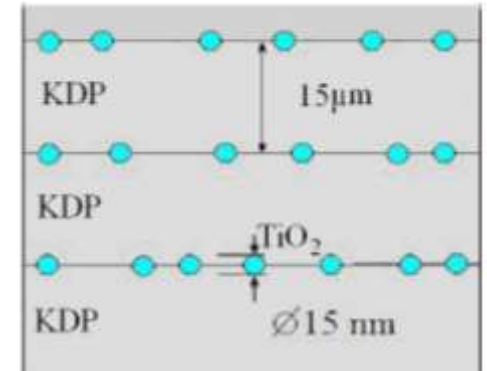
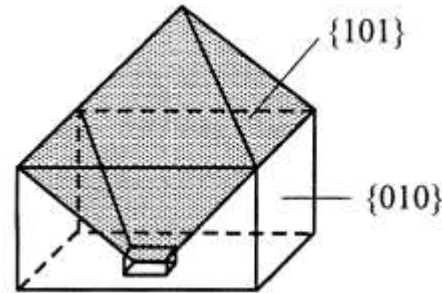
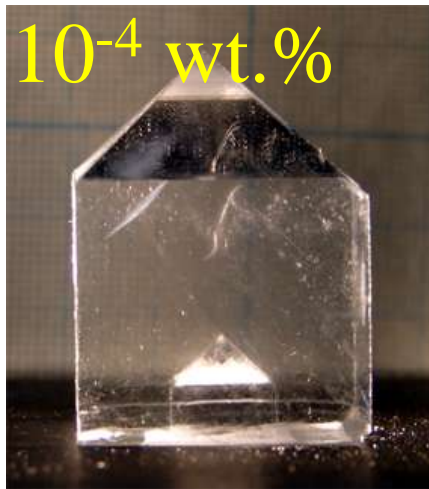
**NPs form layers**

**KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub> 10<sup>-4</sup> wt. %**



**period ~15 mkm**

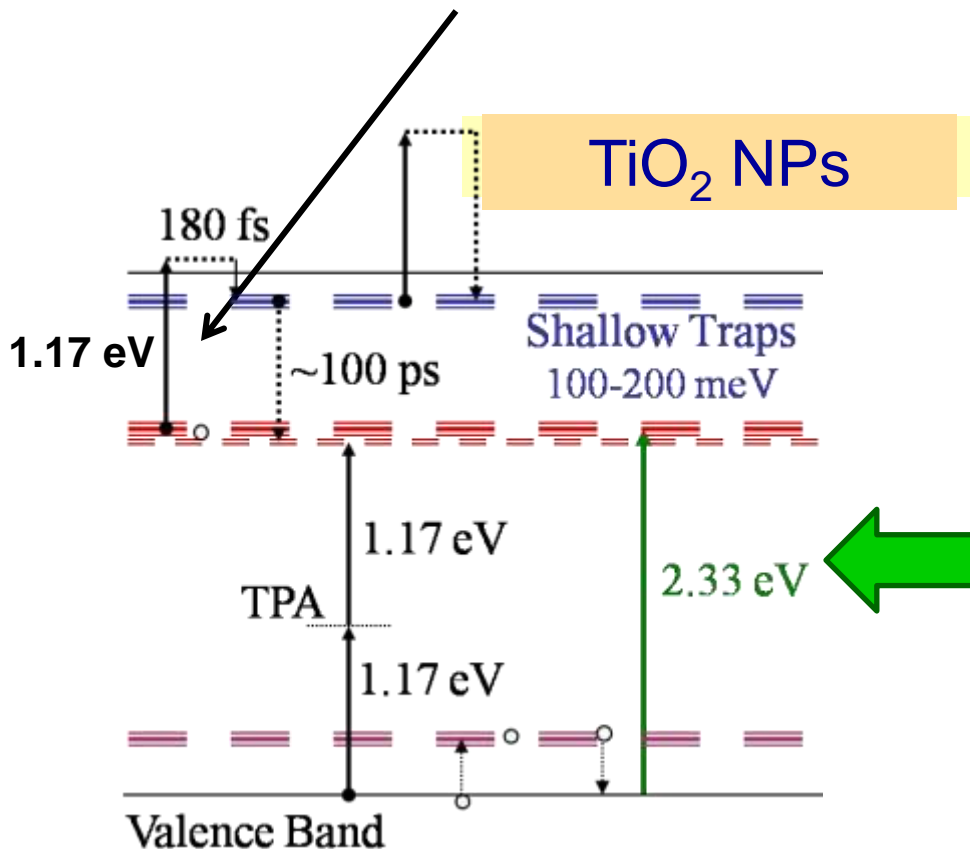
# KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> crystals with incorporated anatase nanocrystals - KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub>



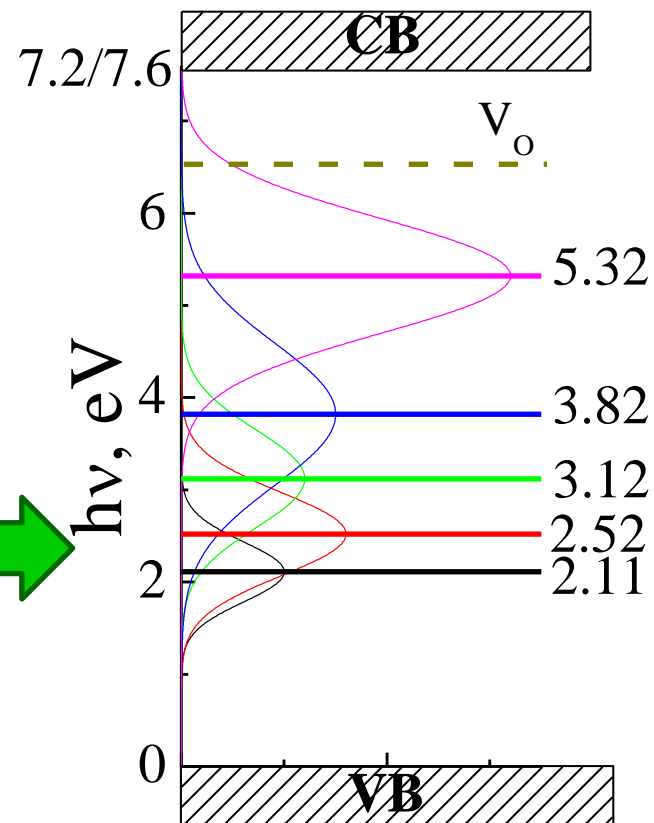
TiO <sub>2</sub> conc., wt. %	Sample notation	d, <i>mm</i>	Transmittance, % to inc.	
			@ 532 <i>nm</i>	@ 633 <i>nm</i>
0	P	0.81	91.3 ± 1.0	91.9 ± 0.9
	Pr	0.83	92.4 ± 0.6	93.0 ± 0.7
10 <sup>-5</sup>	P-5	0.75	89.8 ± 0.9	90.2 ± 1.1
	Pr-5	0.78	90.3 ± 0.9	91.0 ± 1.0
10 <sup>-4</sup>	P-4	0.76	89.8 ± 1.2	90.8 ± 1.0
	Pr-4	0.75	91.4 ± 1.1	92.0 ± 1.0
10 <sup>-3</sup>	Pr-3	0.81	89.1 ± 0.5	89.7 ± 0.5

# Giant nonlinear response of anatase layers

$$\chi^{(3)}_{\text{nano}} \sim 10^6 \chi^{(3)}_{\text{bulk}} @ 1064 \text{ nm}$$



**KDP**



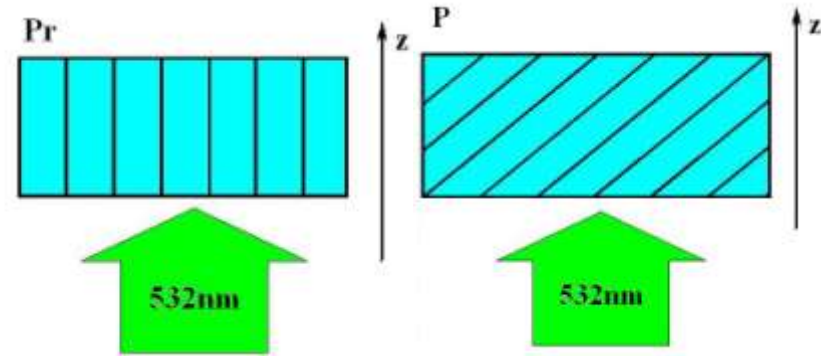
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*Appl. Phys. B 80, 97 (2005)*

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*Phys. Sol. State, 44, 880 (2002)*

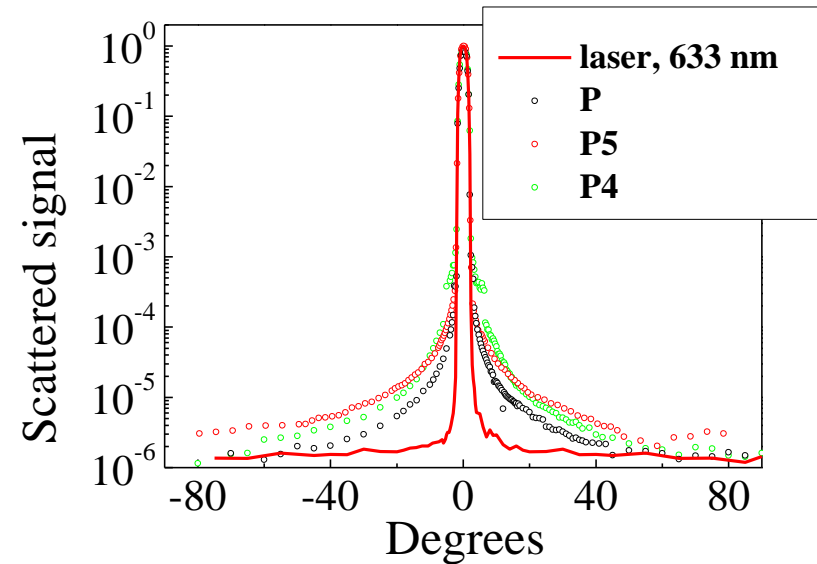
# Scattering indicatrix of **KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub>** crystals



$$p_{\text{scat}} = \frac{2\pi}{P_0} \int_{\theta_{\text{min}}}^{\pi/2} \frac{\Delta P(\theta)}{\Delta\Omega} \sin\theta d\theta$$



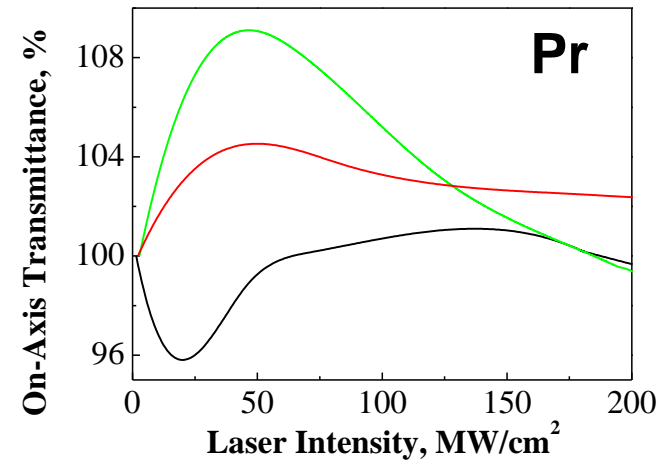
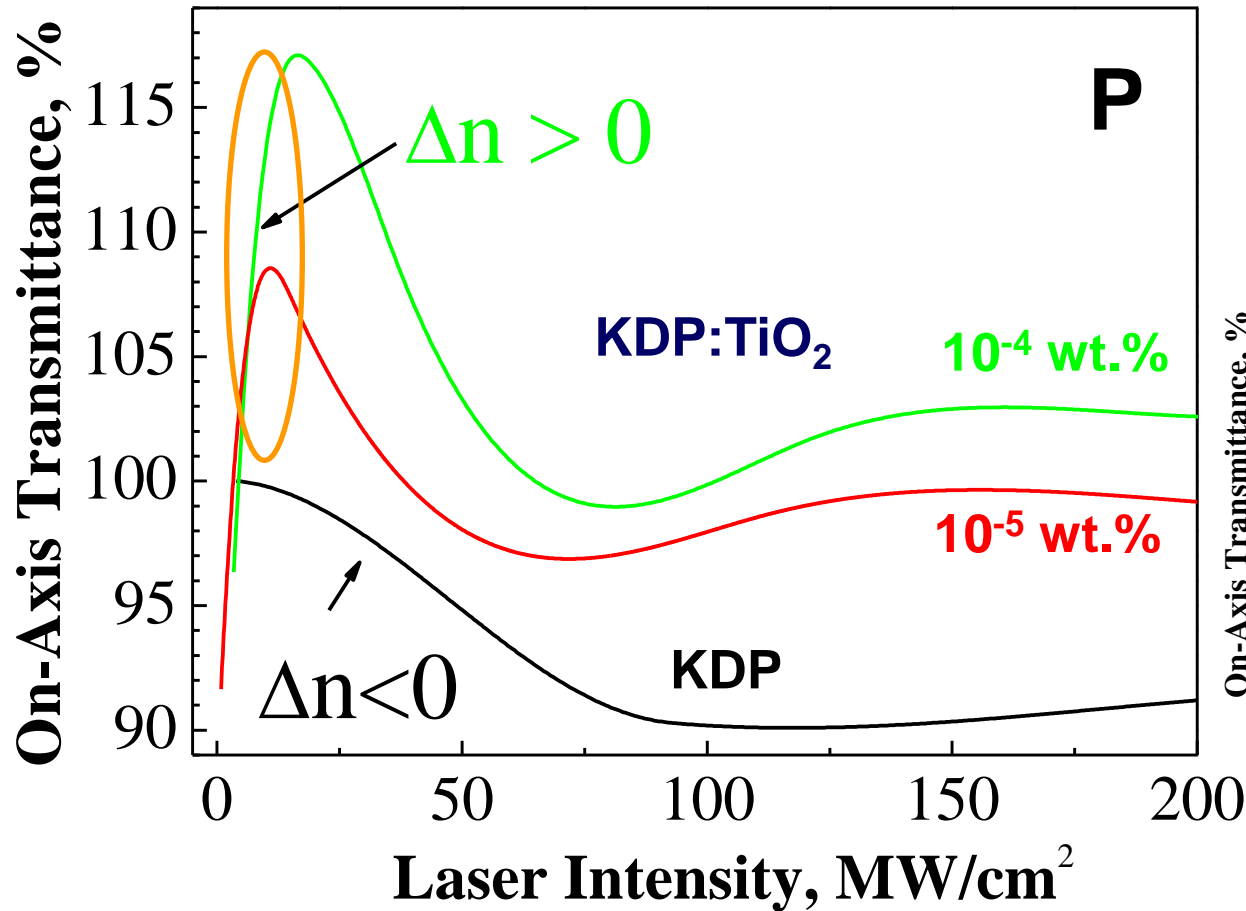
Sample	Scattering losses $p_{\text{scat}}$ , %	
	$\lambda=532$ nm	$\lambda=633$ nm
KDP (P)	1.0	1.0
P5Ti	1.7	1.7
P4Ti	2.5	1.8
KDP (Pr)	1.1	1.1
Pr5Ti	1.7	2.6
Pr4Ti	1.3	2.6
Pr3Ti	2.8	2.6



Waveguide effect in **KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub>:KDP** layers

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# KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub> : photoinduced changes of on-axis transmittance @ 1064 nm (42 ps FWHM)



# Concentration dependence of the real and imaginary parts of the cubic NLO susceptibility of the **KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub>** crystals @1064 nm

	TiO <sub>2</sub> conc., wt. %	Growth sector	NPs conc., 10 <sup>10</sup> cm <sup>-3</sup>	I < I <sub>s</sub>	
				Re(χ <sup>(3)</sup> ), 10 <sup>-8</sup> esu	Im(χ <sup>(3)</sup> ), 10 <sup>-12</sup> esu
KDP	-	P	-	-0,07	0,9
		Pr	-	-0,09	0,7
KDP:TiO <sub>2</sub>	10 <sup>-5</sup>	P	3,2	2,2	1,6
		Pr	1,6	0,4	1,6
	10 <sup>-4</sup>	P	33	2,5	3,0
		Pr	16	0,7	0,8



Re(χ<sup>(3)</sup>) < 0  
self-defocusing

Re(χ<sup>(3)</sup>) > 0  
self-focusing

for fixed TiO<sub>2</sub> conc.  $\text{Re}(\chi^{(3)})_P \sim (4 \div 5) \cdot \text{Re}(\chi^{(3)})_{Pr}$



# Second harmonic generation in the KDP crystals

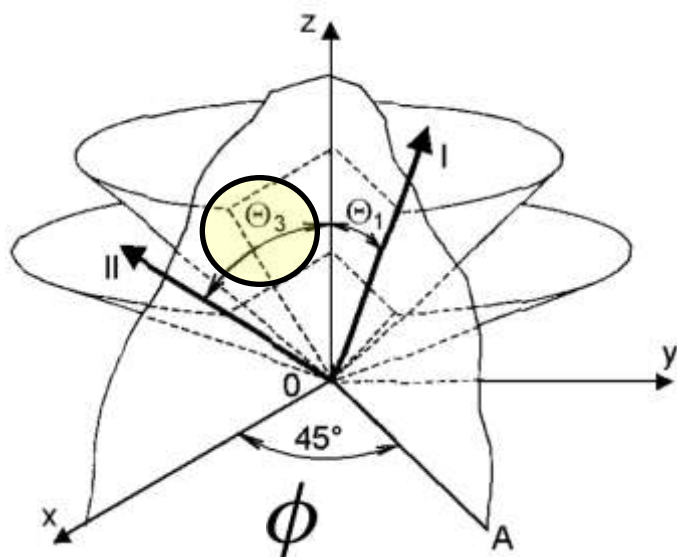


Type 1 **oo-e**

Type 2 **oe-e**

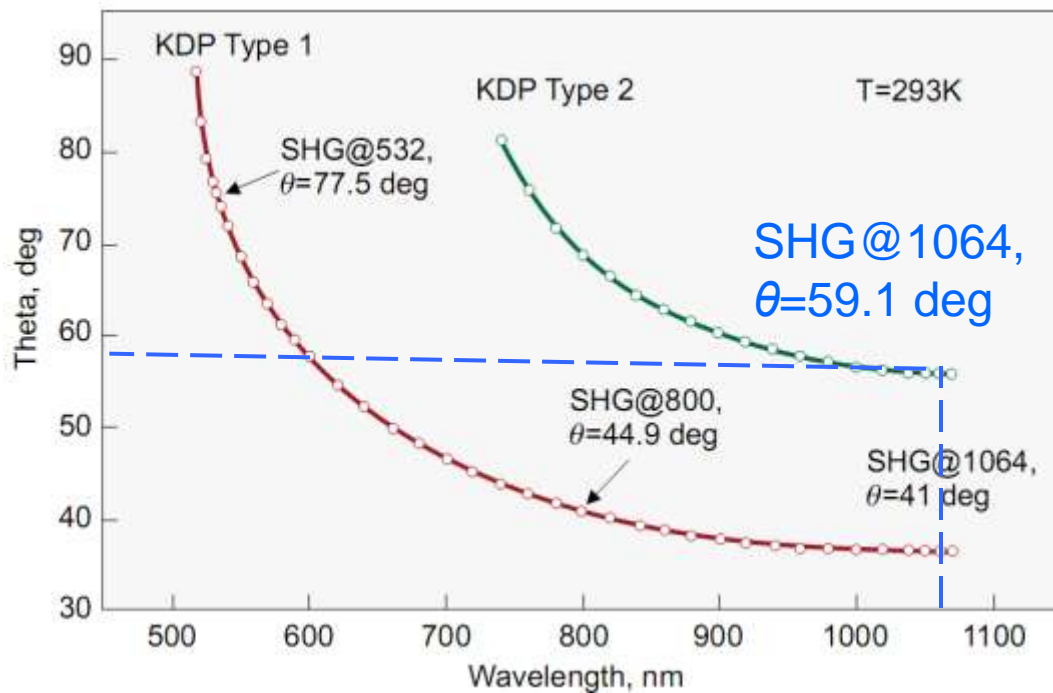
$$d_{ooe} = -d_{36} \sin \theta \sin 2\phi$$

$$d_{eoe} = d_{oeo} = d_{36} \sin 2\theta \cos 2\phi$$

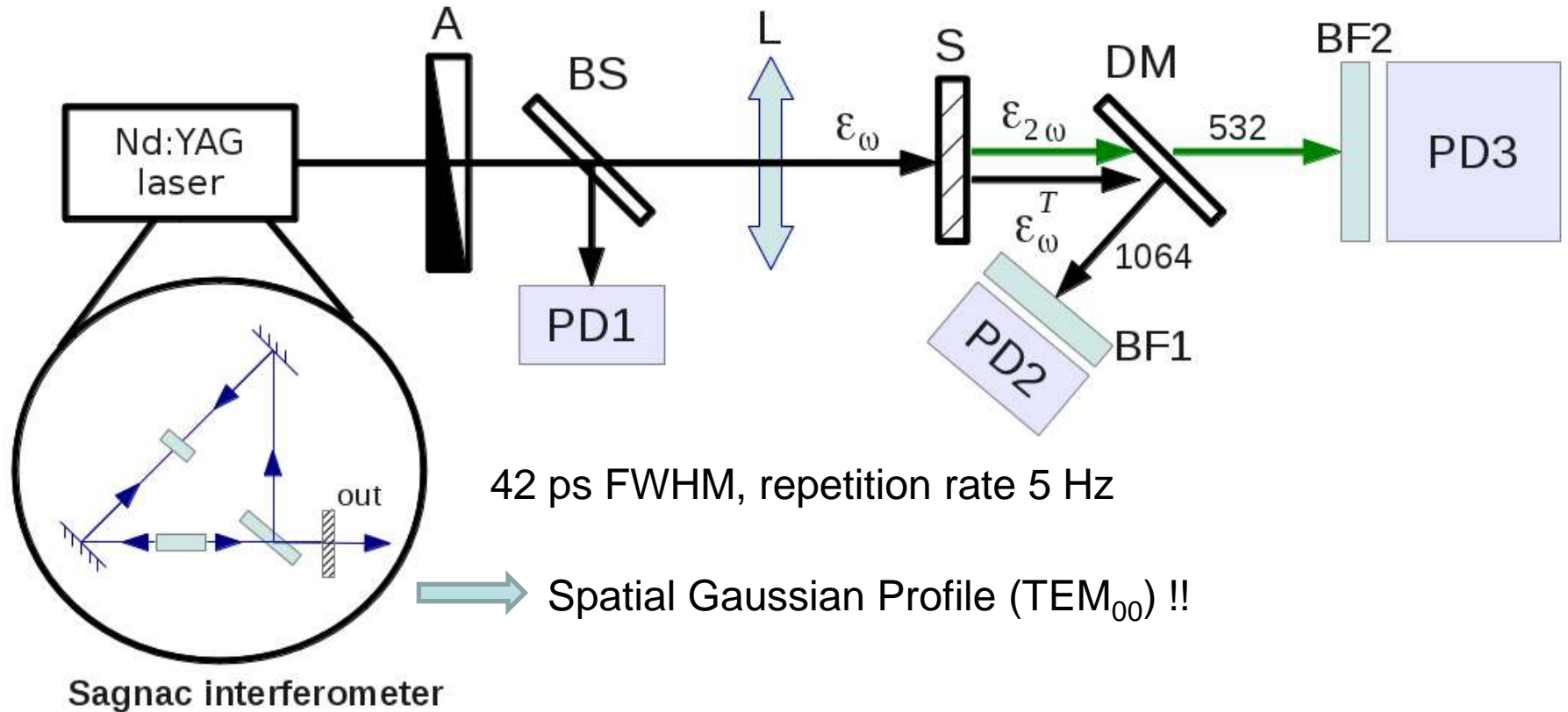


Phase-matching angles for SHG at 1064 nm

	<b>oo-e</b>	<b>oe-e</b>
Cut angle $\theta$ , deg	41.2	59.1
Acceptances (FWHM):		
$\Delta\theta$ (internal), mrad $\times$ cm	1.1	2.2
$\Delta T$ thermal, K $\times$ cm	11	13.2
$\Delta\lambda$ spectral, nm $\times$ cm	7.25	5.57
Walk off, mrad	27	24



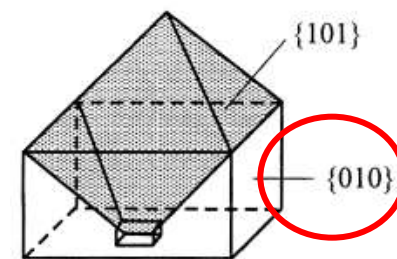
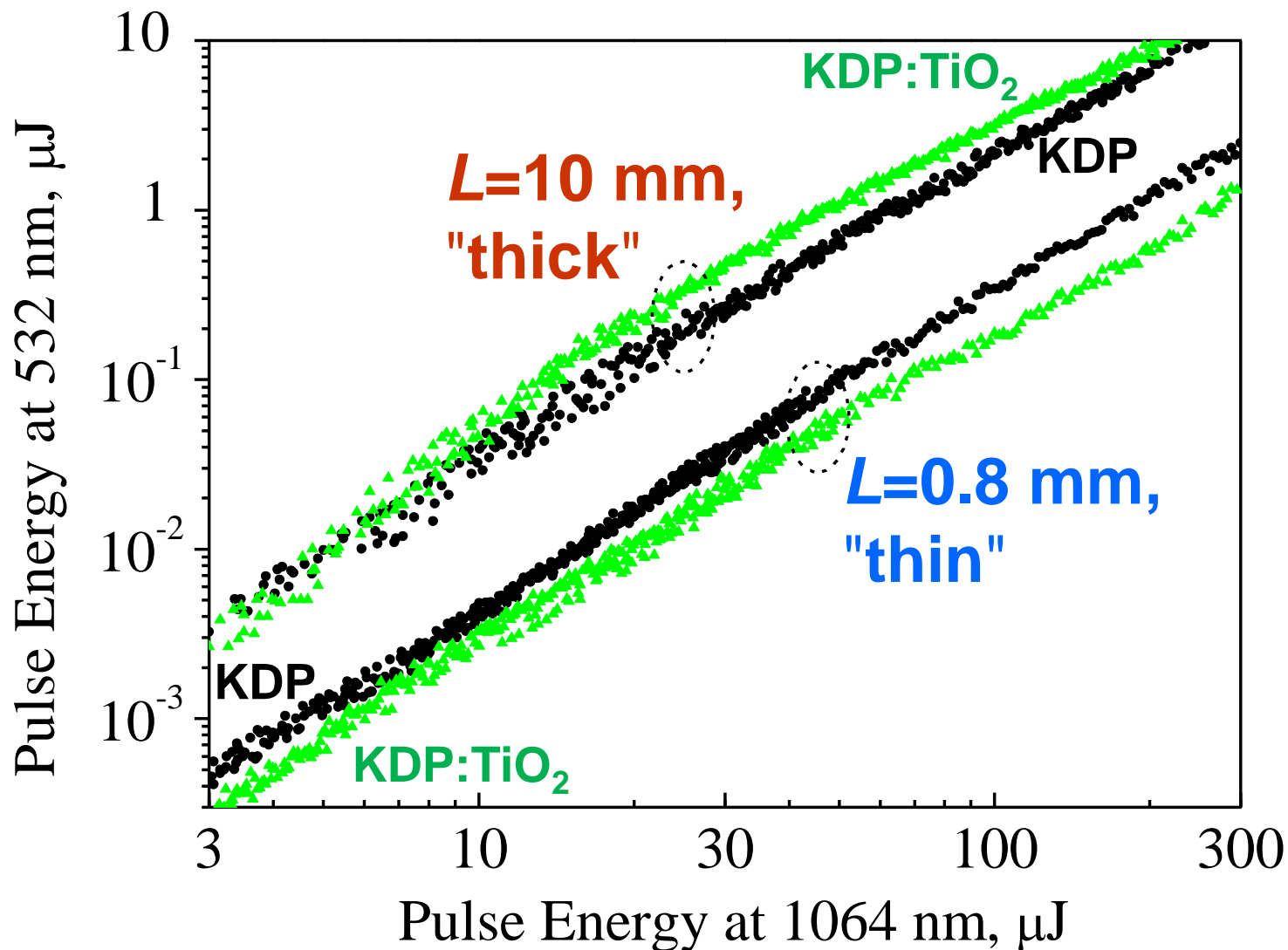
# Investigation of second harmonic generation (SHG)



$$\eta \equiv \frac{\mathcal{E}_{2\omega}}{\mathcal{E}_\omega} = \frac{8\sqrt{2\pi}L^2 |d_{eff}|^2 \exp[-L(\alpha_\omega + \alpha_{2\omega}/2)]}{c\tau\epsilon_0 [\lambda_{2\omega} a (1 + n_\omega^o)(1 + n_\omega^e)(1 + n_{2\omega}^e)]^2} \mathcal{E}_\omega$$

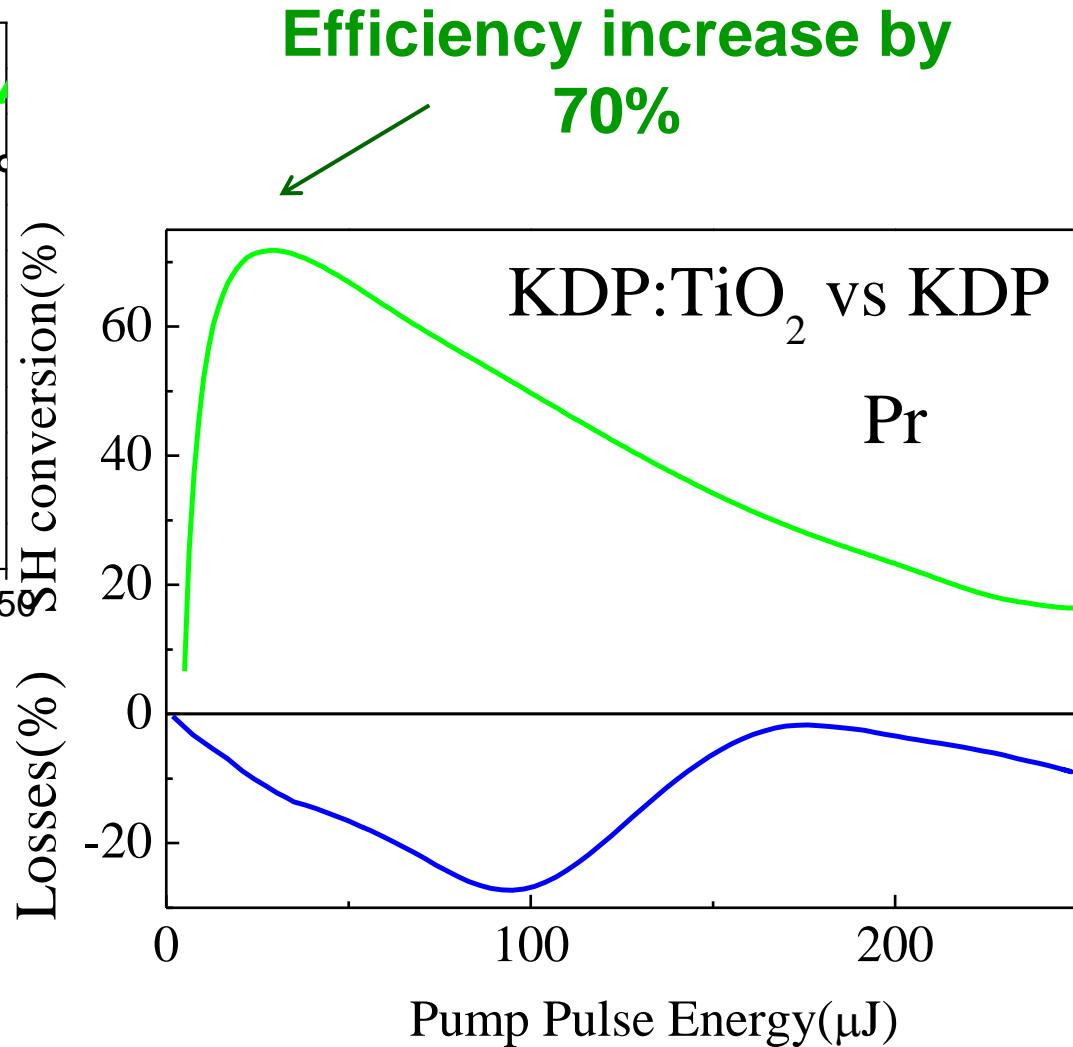
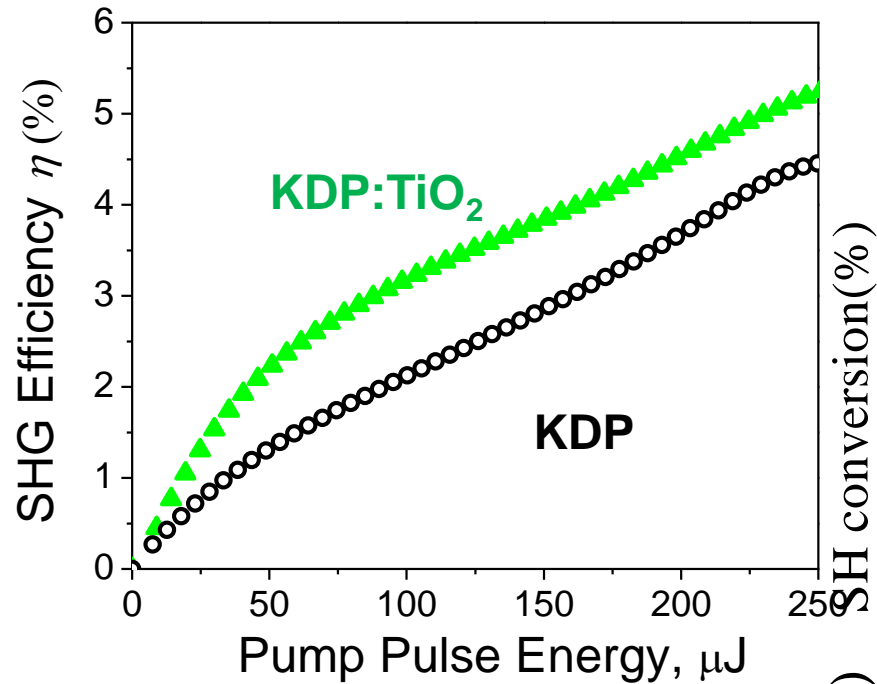
given pump field approximation

# SHG in KDP, KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub> crystals with single ps pulse @1064 nm



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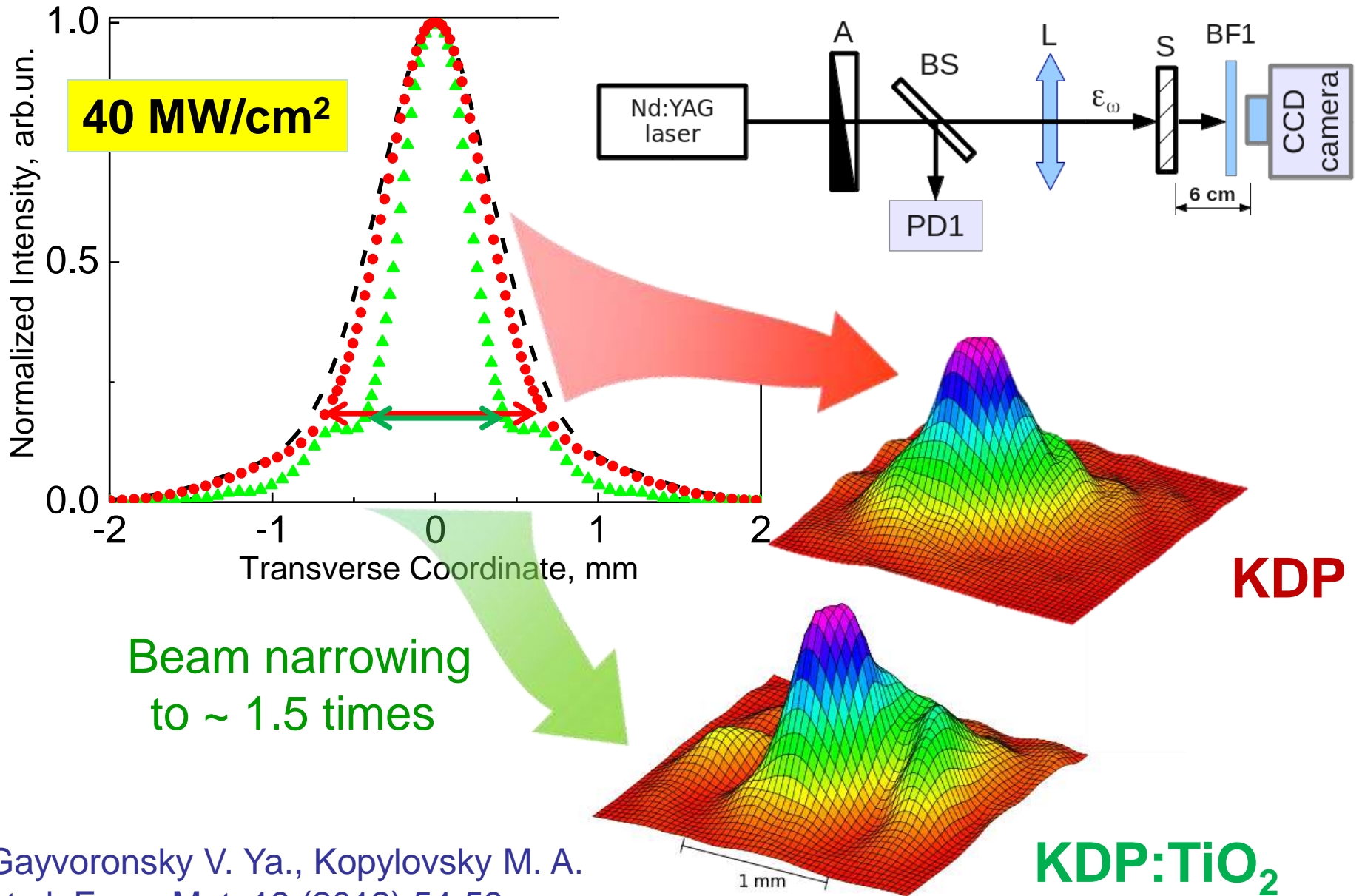
# SHG efficiency in the "thick" samples



	TiO <sub>2</sub> , wt. %	$d_{36 \text{ eff}}$ , pm/V
<b>KDP</b>	-	0.40
<b>KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub></b>	10 <sup>-4</sup>	0.35

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# Internal self-focusing



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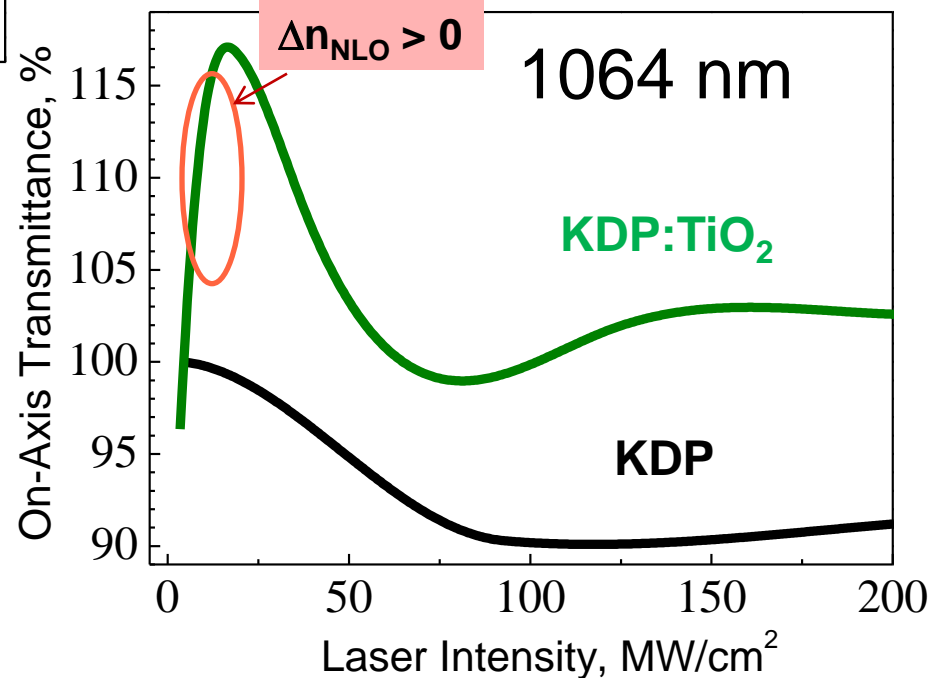
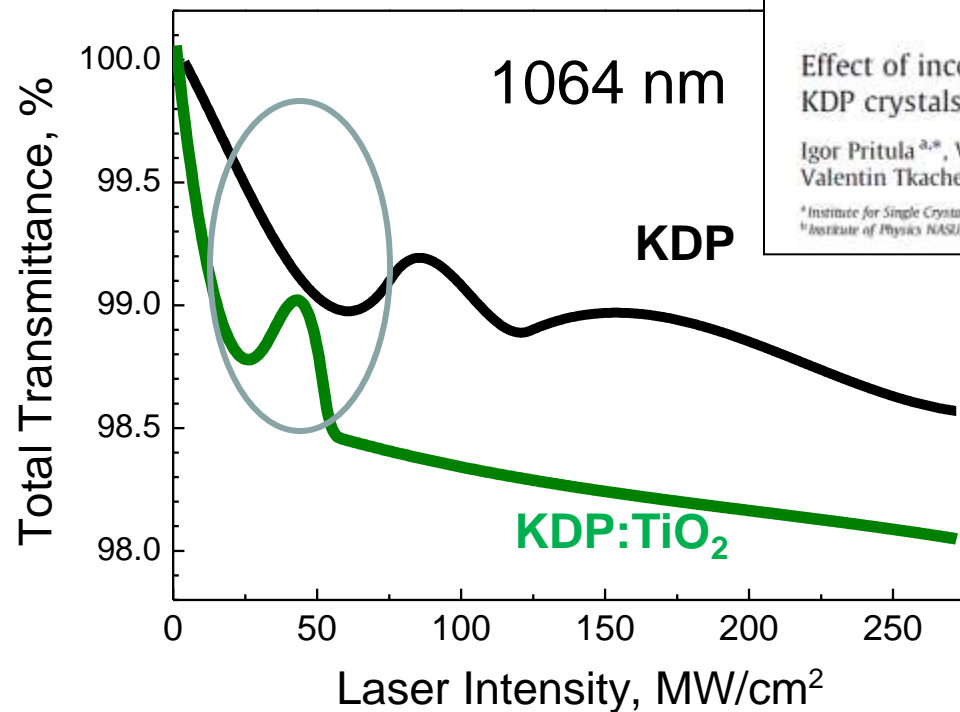


### Effect of incorporation of titanium dioxide nanocrystals on bulk properties of KDP crystals

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Sample	Re( $\chi^{(3)}$ ), 10 <sup>-8</sup> esu	Im( $\chi^{(3)}$ ), 10 <sup>-12</sup> esu
KDP	-0.07	0.9
KDP:TiO <sub>2</sub>	<b>2.2</b>	1.6

# Conclusions

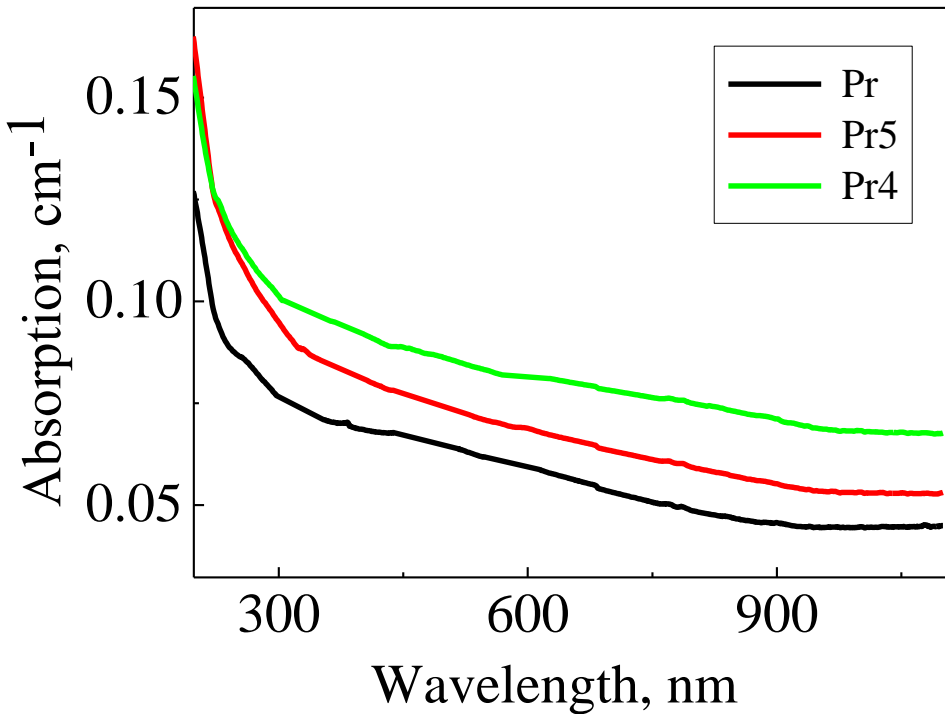
- Second harmonic generation efficiency versus the  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles concentration incorporated in the KDP single crystals was studied within picosecond range pump pulses at 1064 nm.
- For the first time we have obtained the frequency conversion efficiency enhancement up to **70%** in the  $\text{KDP}:\text{TiO}_2$  in comparison with the KDP crystals due to the internal self-focusing effect that was observed as the pump beam spatial profile narrowing at moderate peak intensities.

Thank you for your attention



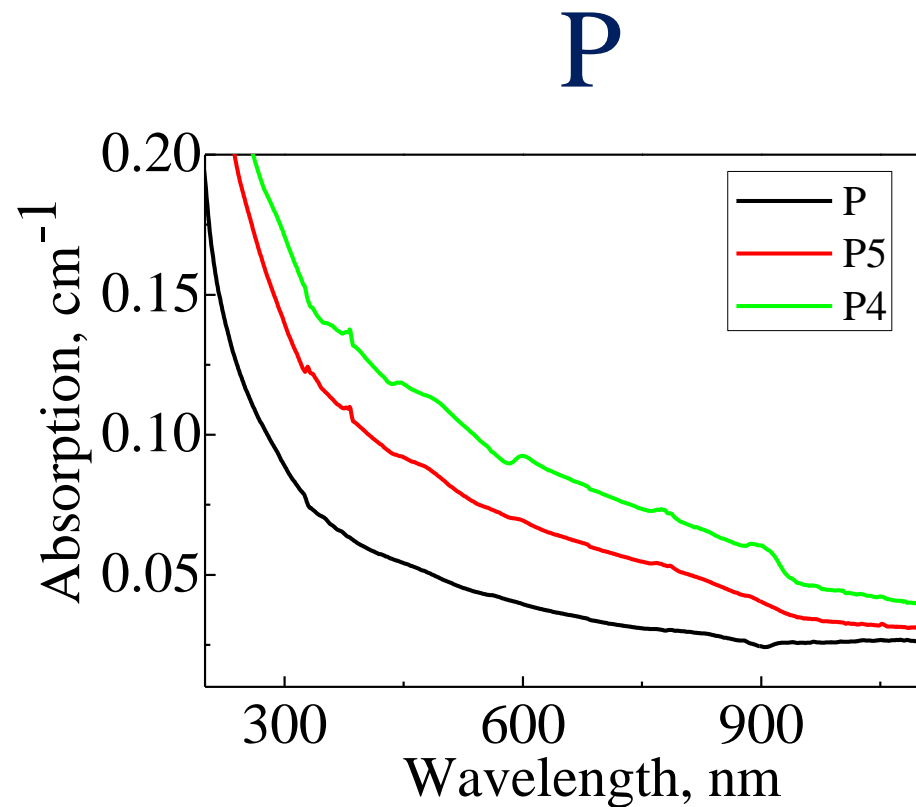


# Transmittance spectra of **KDP, KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub>**

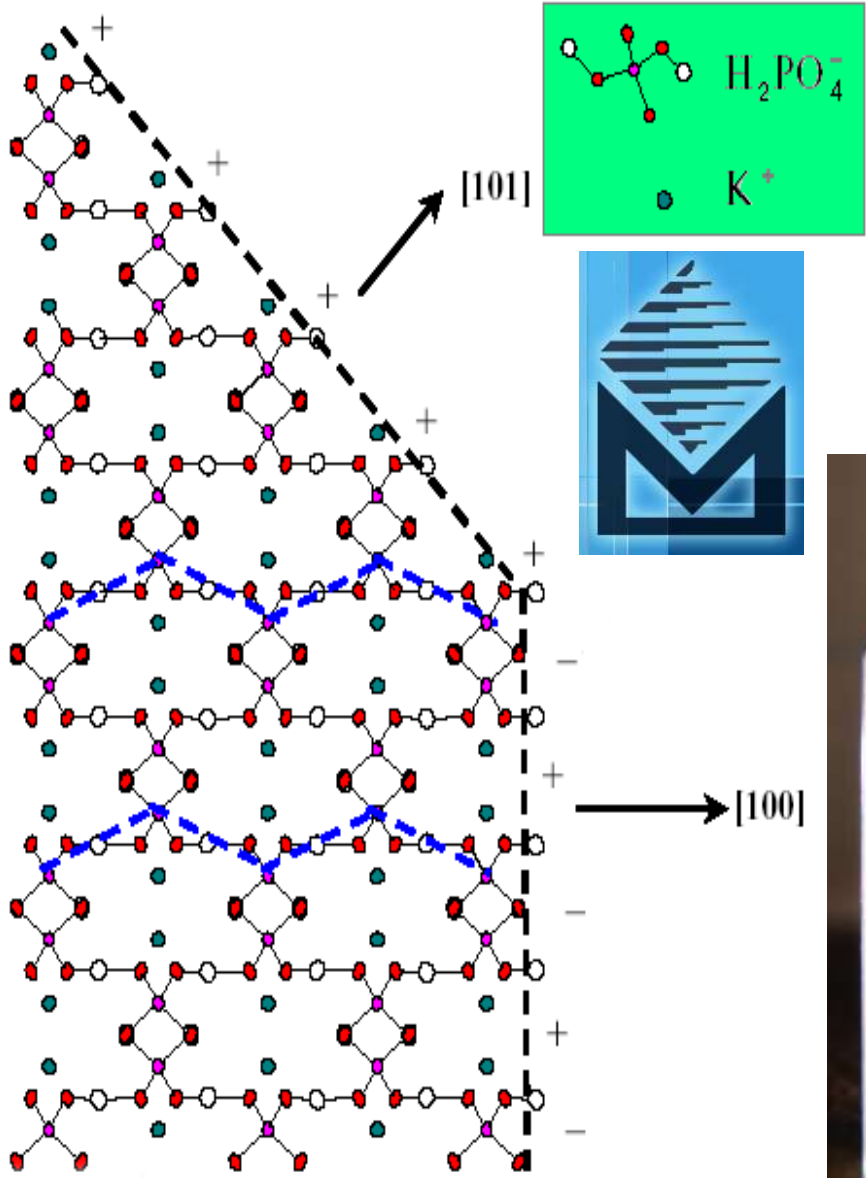


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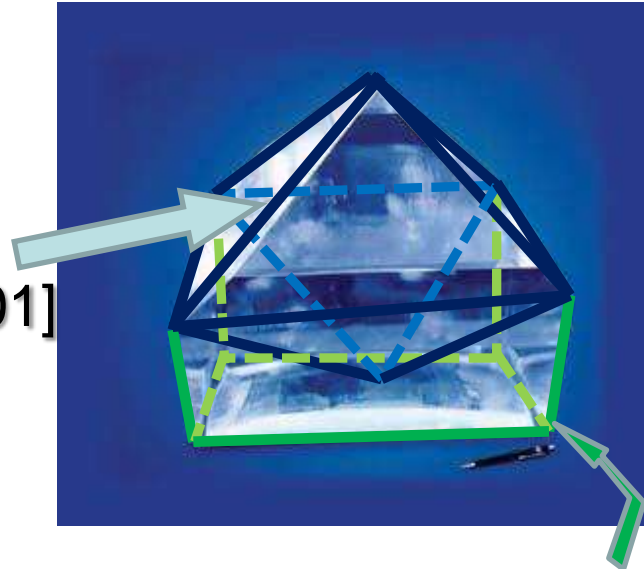
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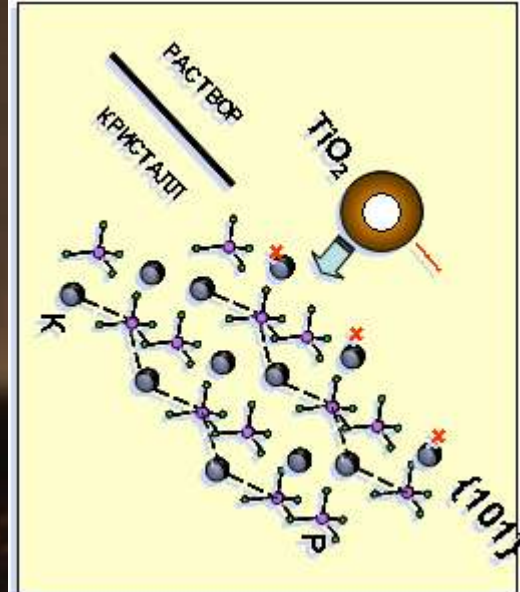
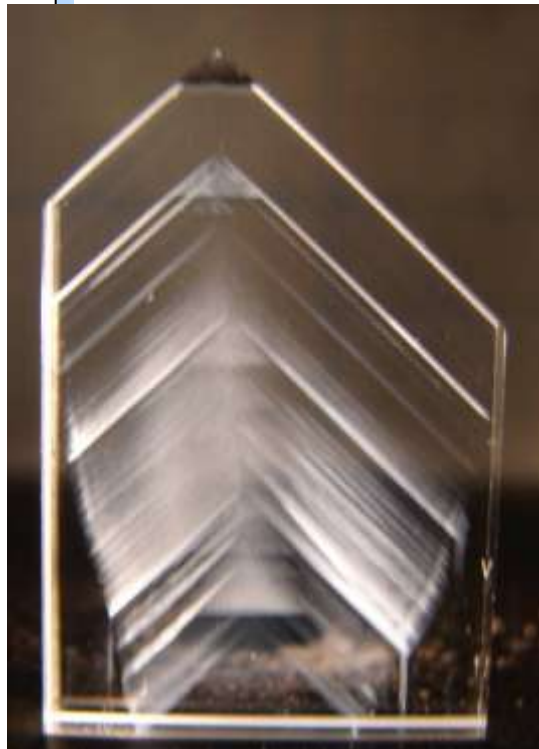
# Incorporation of TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles



Piramidal [101]



Prismatic [100]



# KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub> crystals

- KDP:TiO<sub>2</sub> – growing from an aqueous solution

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- Optical characterization

Gayvoronsky V., Starkov V. et al. *Ukr. J. Phys.* 55 (2010) 875.

- Cubic NLO susceptibility

Pritula I., Gayvoronsky V. et al. *Opt. Mat* 33 (2011) 623.

- Second harmonic generation

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