

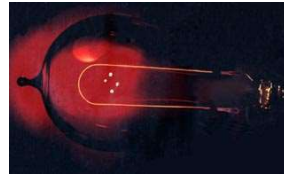
## Generation of light – Light sources



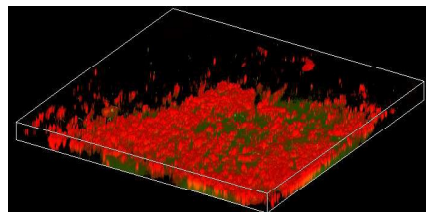
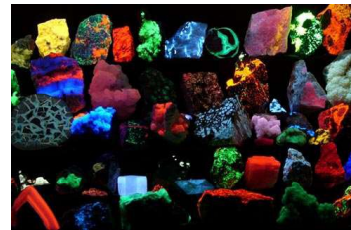
Luminescence

Laser

Black-body radiation



## Luminescence



## Repetition

- Types of energy states in atoms and molecules are independent (not coupled)
- Energy states are non-continuous, but discrete
- Transition between states involves packets (quanta) of energy

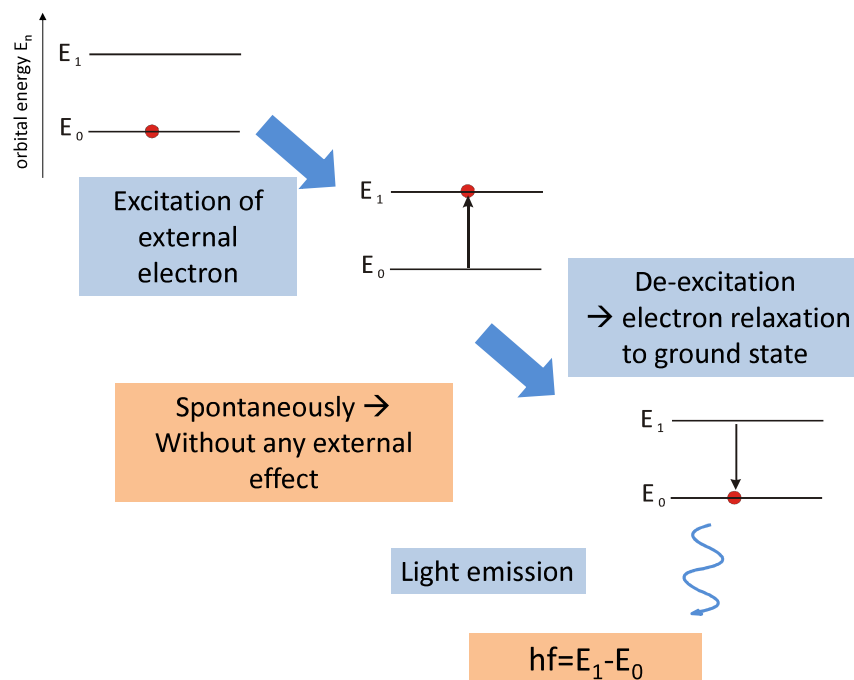
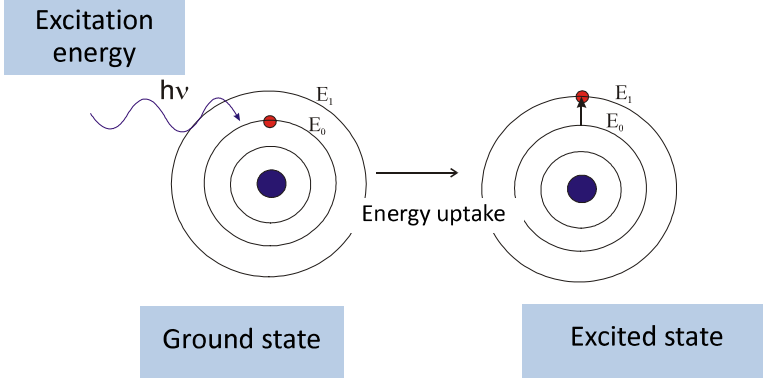
$$E_{total} = E_e + E_v + E_r$$

Scales of transition energies between different states are different:

$$E_e > E_v > E_r$$

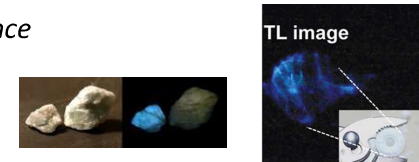
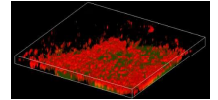
## Consider a single atom

- Energy states are discrete
- Electrons occupy the lowest possible energy state (ground state)
- Pauli exclusion principle: no two identical fermions (particles with half-integer spin) may occupy the same quantum state simultaneously



## Excitation modes

- absorption of radiation (UV/VIS) : *photoluminescence*
- chemical reaction: *chemo/bio-luminescence*
- Injection of charges: *electroluminescence*
- friction → mechanical deformation: *triboluminescence*
- thermally activated ion recombination: *thermoluminescence*
- Sound waves: *sonoluminescence*



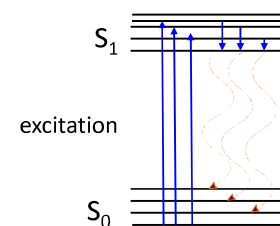
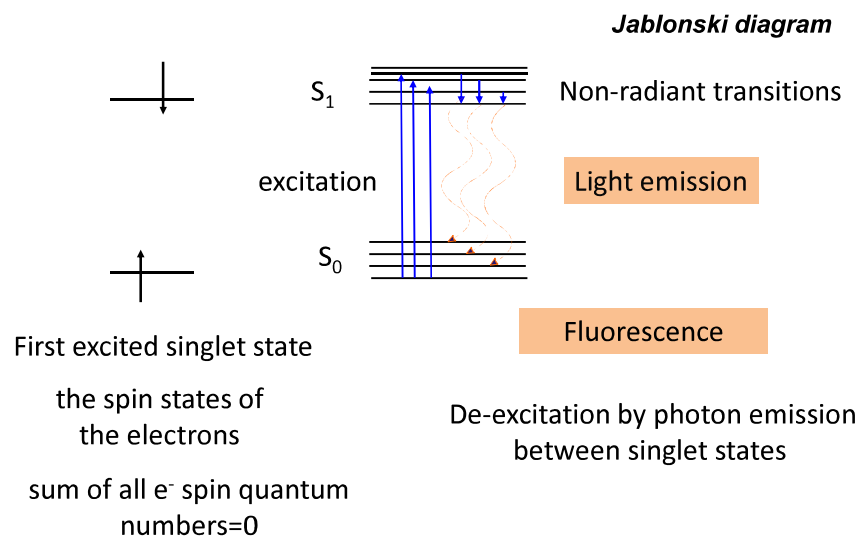
## Luminescence:

spontaneous light photon emission by electrons when they return from their excited state to their original (ground) state of lower energy

$$hf = E_1 - E_0$$

The emitted photon energy is characteristic for the electronic orbitals, thus for the atom/molecule.

The energy of the electronic orbitals in molecules is perturbed by the discrete states of molecular vibrations



**Kasha's rule:**

fluorescence originates always from the vibrational state of lowest energy within the lowest electronic excited state.

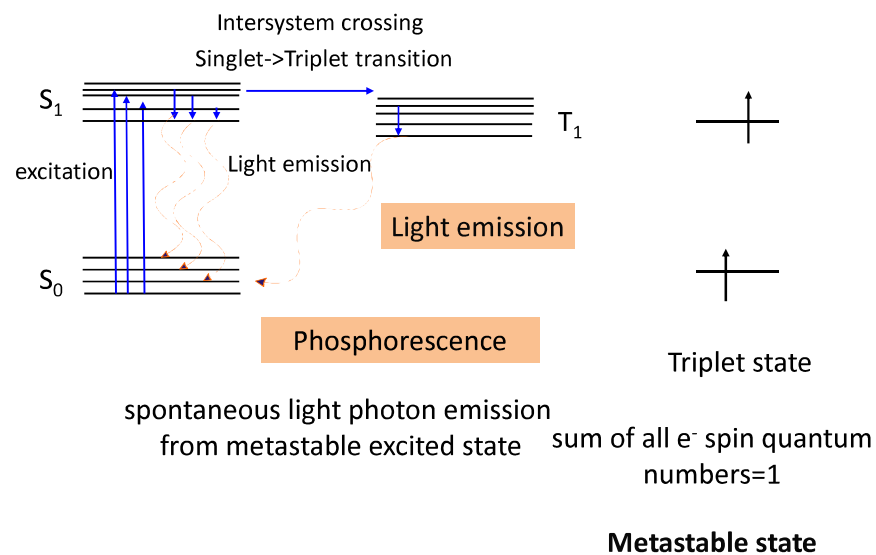


$$E_{\text{excitation}} \geq E_{\text{fluorescence}}$$

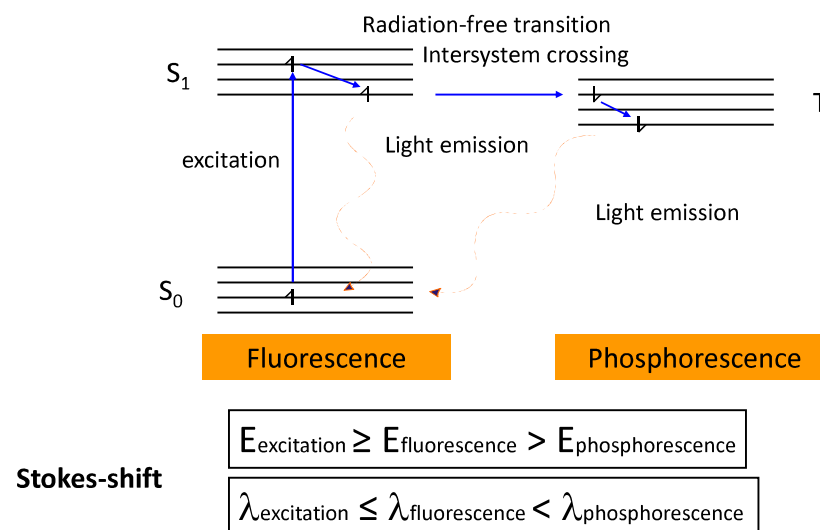
$$\lambda_{\text{excitation}} \leq \lambda_{\text{fluorescence}}$$

De-excitation by photon emission between singlet states

**Stokes-shift**

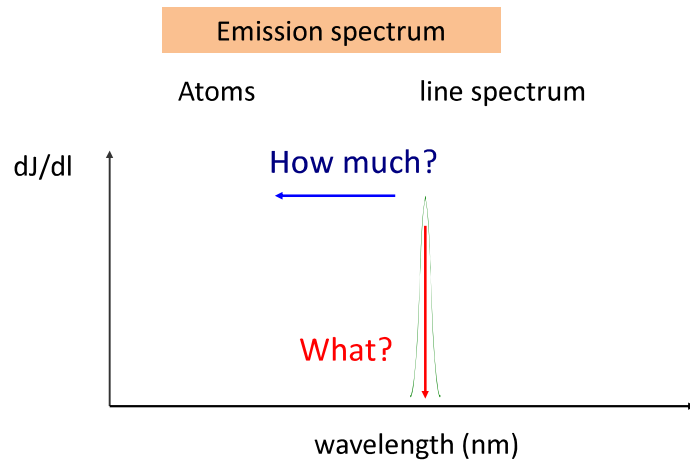


## Emitted photon energies

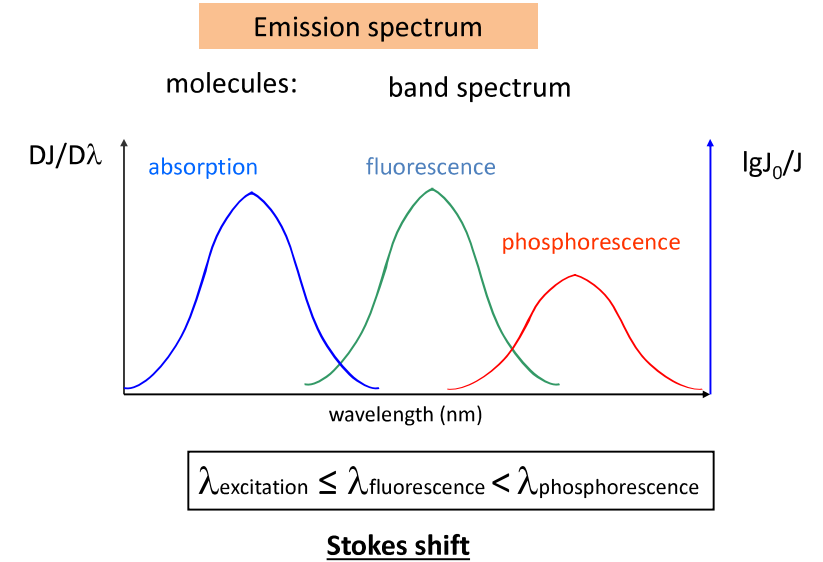


## Characteristics of emitted light

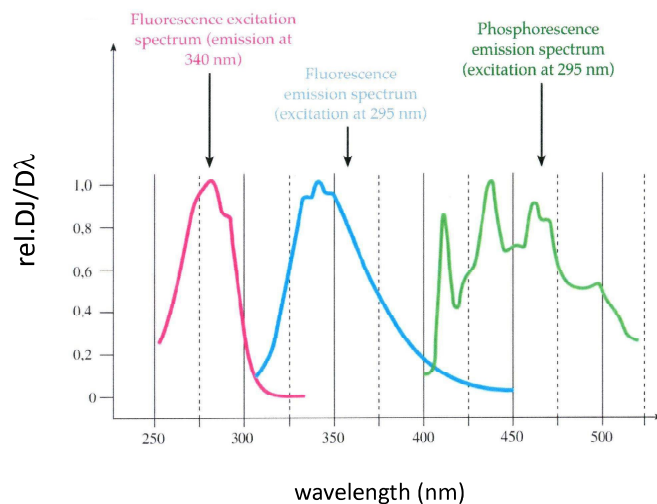
Wavelength distribution of emitted light



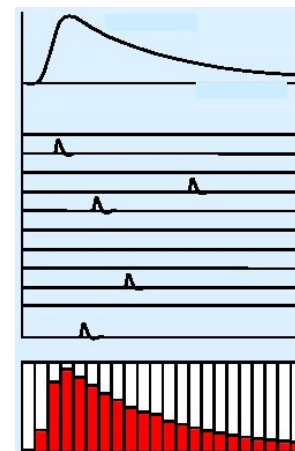
## Wavelength distribution of emitted light



E.g.: Corresponding spectra of triptophane



## Excited-state lifetime



Single photon counting

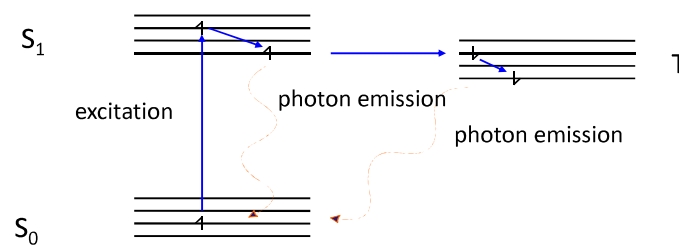
Measuring of time gap between excitation and photon emission.

Statistical analysis of large number of measurements.

## Typical excited-state lifetimes

### Lifetime

the time during which the number of excited electrons decreases to its  $e^{\text{th}}$ .



### Fluorescence

short

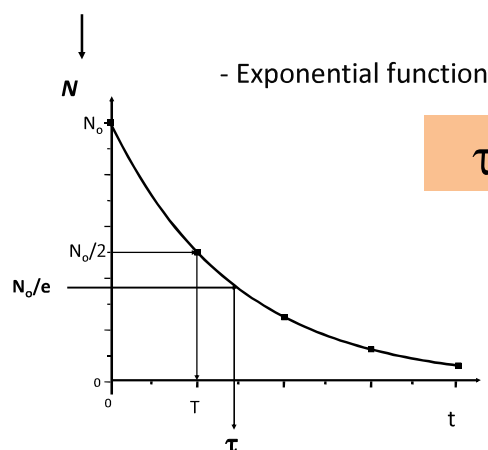
$10^{-9} - 10^{-7} \text{ s}$

### Phosphorescence

long

$10^{-3} - 10^2 \text{ s}$

Number of excited electrons  $\longrightarrow N = N_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$  time after excitation



- Exponential function

$\tau$ : life time

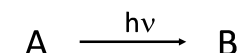
the time during which the number of excited electrons decreases to its  $e^{\text{th}}$ .

Is excitation always followed by photon emission?

- Excited state decay can be caused by mechanisms other than photon emission and are therefore often called "non-radiative rates",..
- These can include: chemical reaction, dynamic collisional quenching, near-field dipole-dipole interaction, internal conversion and intersystem crossing.

Is excitation always followed by photon emission?

### Quantum yield



Reciprocal of the number of absorbed photons for one photon emission

### Fluorescence quantum yield ( $Q_F$ )

$$Q_F = \frac{\text{number.of.photons.emitted}}{\text{numbe.of.photons.absorbed}}$$

$$Q_F \leq 1$$

### Types of luminescence:

- fluorescence
- phosphorescence

### They can be characterized by:

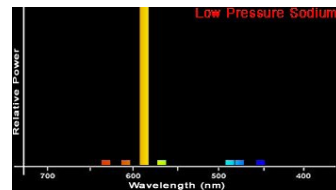
- emission spectrum:
  - Types
  - position of peaks
  - amplitude
- lifetime
- quantum yield

### Application fields of luminescence

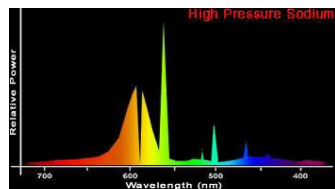
- Light sources (lightning, fertilization, sunbeds, photomedicine...)
- concentration determination (flame photometer)
- luminescence spectroscopy
- luminescence microscopy
- dosimetry (see later)
- archeology
- architecture
- safety control ... many more

### Luminescent light sources

#### Metal vapor lamps

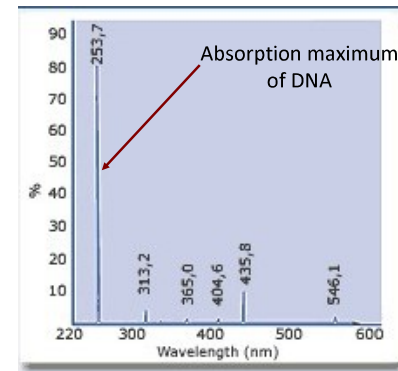


Low-pressure Na-vapor lamp



High-pressure Na-vapor lamp

#### Low-pressure Hg-vapor lamp



Emission spectrum

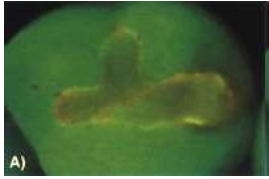


„germicid lamp”





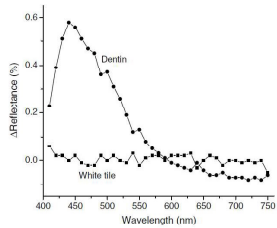
## Application in dental medicine



Red fluorescence indicates the activity of identifies cariogenic bacteria



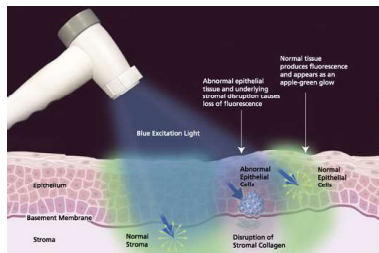
Auto-fluorescence of teeth. When teeth are illuminated with high intensity blue light they will start to emit light in the green part of the spectrum.



Lee, Journal of Biomedical Optics 20(4), 040901 (April 2015)

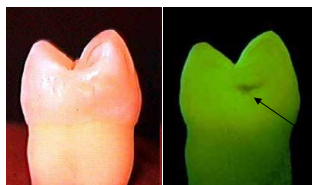
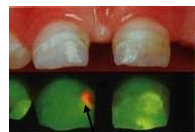


amalgam restoration



Healthy and malignant tissues different fluorescent properties

Teeth native and fluorescent images



Active caries

caries

Tooth native and fluorescent image

0 – 14	No special measures.
15 – 20	Usual prophylactic measures.
21 – 30	More intensive prophylaxis or restoration, indication is dependent on: • Caries activity • Caries risk • Recall interval, etc.
from 30	Restoration and more intensive prophylaxis.

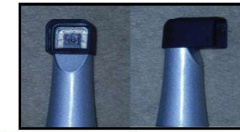
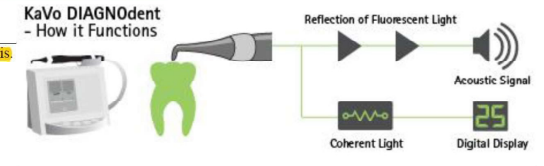
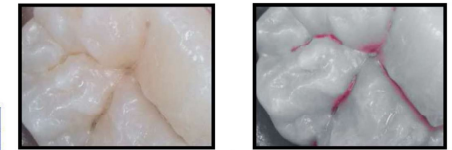


Figure (5) Spectra camera with spacer on (Kurtzman, 2010).

Table 2: Interpretation of Spectra data (Kurtzman, 2010).

Displayed Color	GREEN → BLUE → RED → ORANGE → YELLOW
Displayed Number	1 ← → 5
Depth of Involvement	Sound Enamel, Initial Enamel Caries, Deep Enamel Caries, Initial Dentin Caries, Deep Dentin Caries



SOPROCARE. (A) Carious lesion invisible in DAYLIGHT mode. (B) Carious lesion visible in CARIO mode

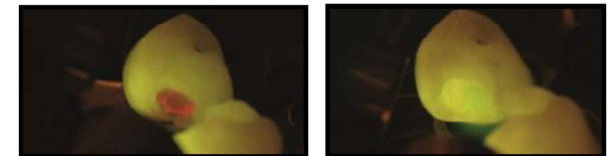
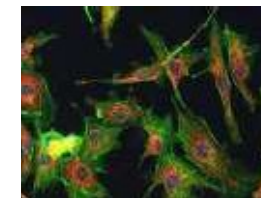


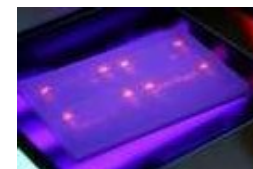
Figure (8) Photos showed cavity illumination with Facelight before and after caries excavation (21).

Mualla, Journal of Dental and Medical Sciences. 15:3, 2016, PP 65-75

## Luminescent microscopy



## Laboratory application in many ways



And more...



## Checklist for the semifinal

☐ Ground state-excited state

☐ Excitation methods

☐ Luminescence

☐ Jablonski diagram

☐ Fluorescence-Phosphorescence

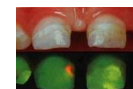
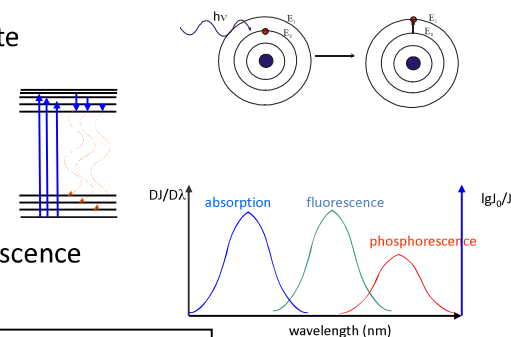
☐ Kasha's rule

☐ Stokes shift

☐ Lifetime  $N = N_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$

☐ Quantum yield  $Q_F = \frac{\text{number of photons emitted}}{\text{number of photons absorbed}}$

☐ Applications of luminescence effect in medical point of view



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