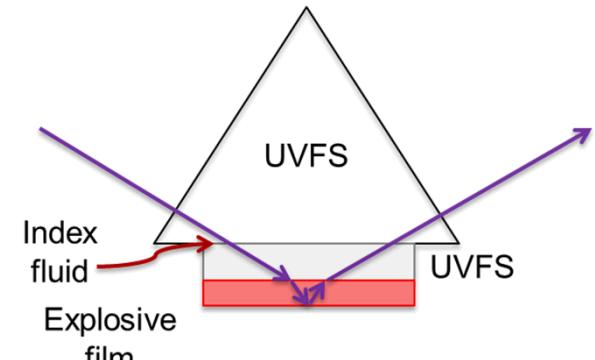
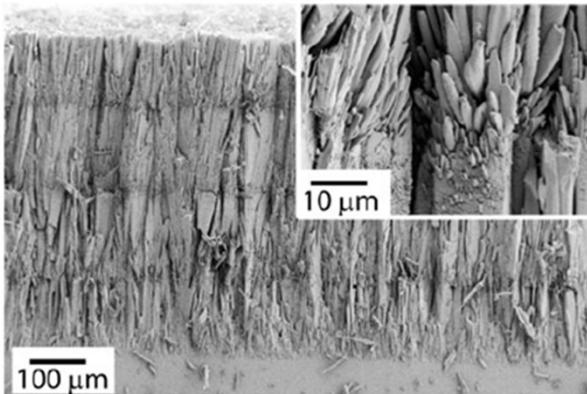
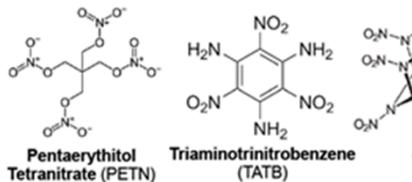
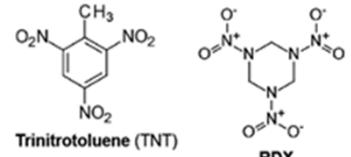


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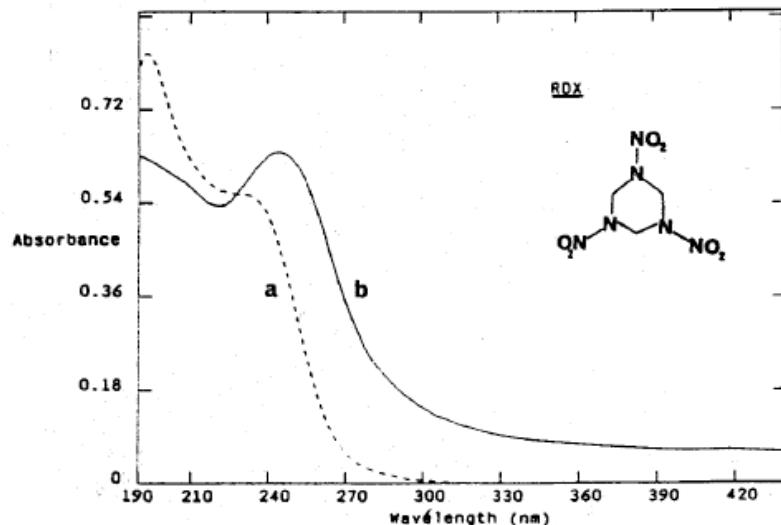
Measuring HOMO/LUMO gap of explosive film at air interface using ATR spectroscopy

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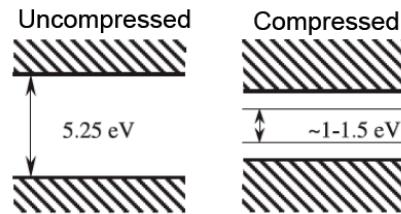


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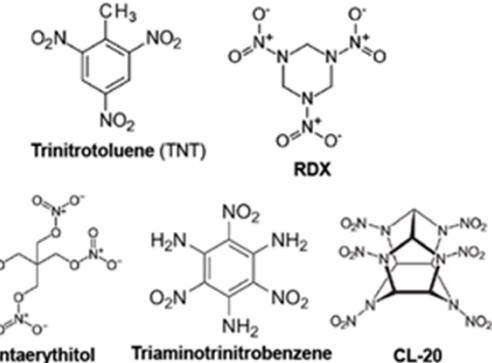
Motivation



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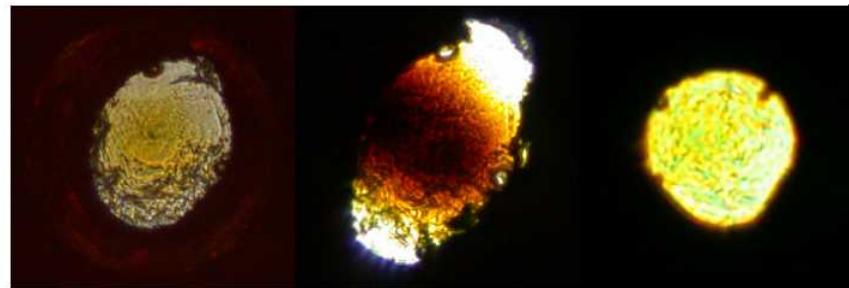
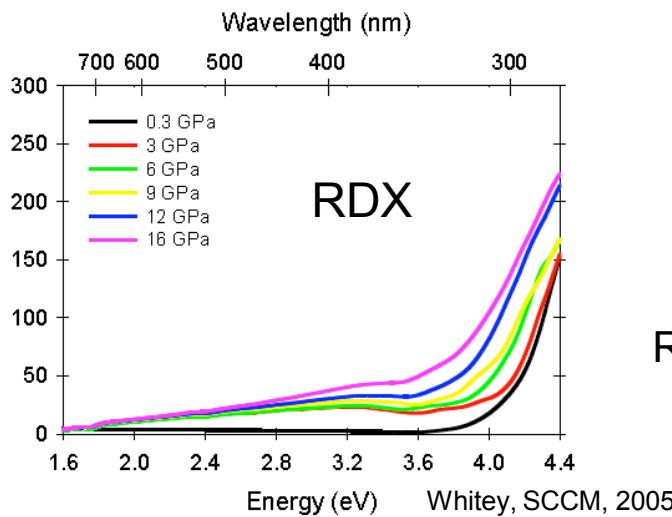


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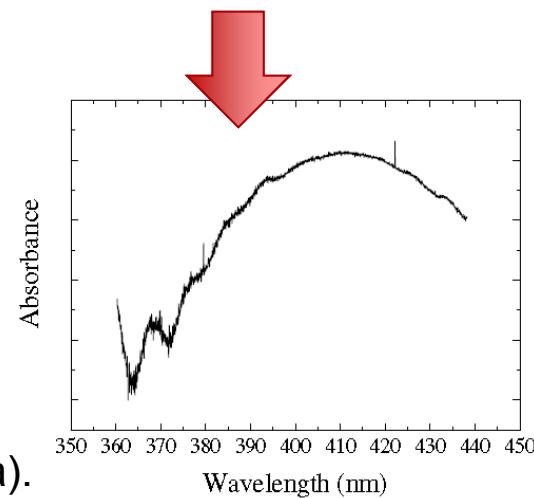


- Secondary explosives are **stable molecules** that react rapidly under shock compression.
- Voids and grain boundaries significantly increase the sensitivity and rate of initiation and solid explosives have additional bands extending into visible.
- Band gap and electronic properties can be influenced by the presence of crystalline defects.
- Surface is simplest type of defect to probe – how does electronic structure differ from bulk?

What has been measured:

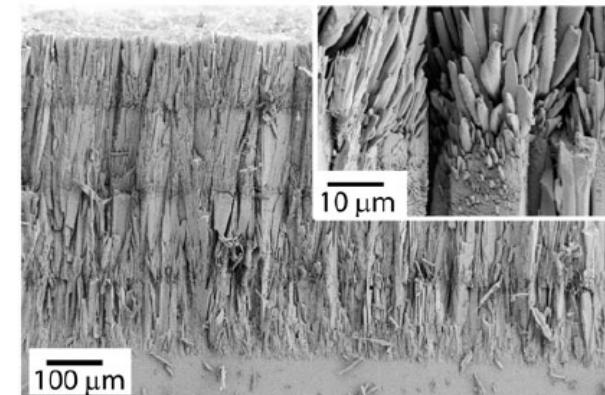
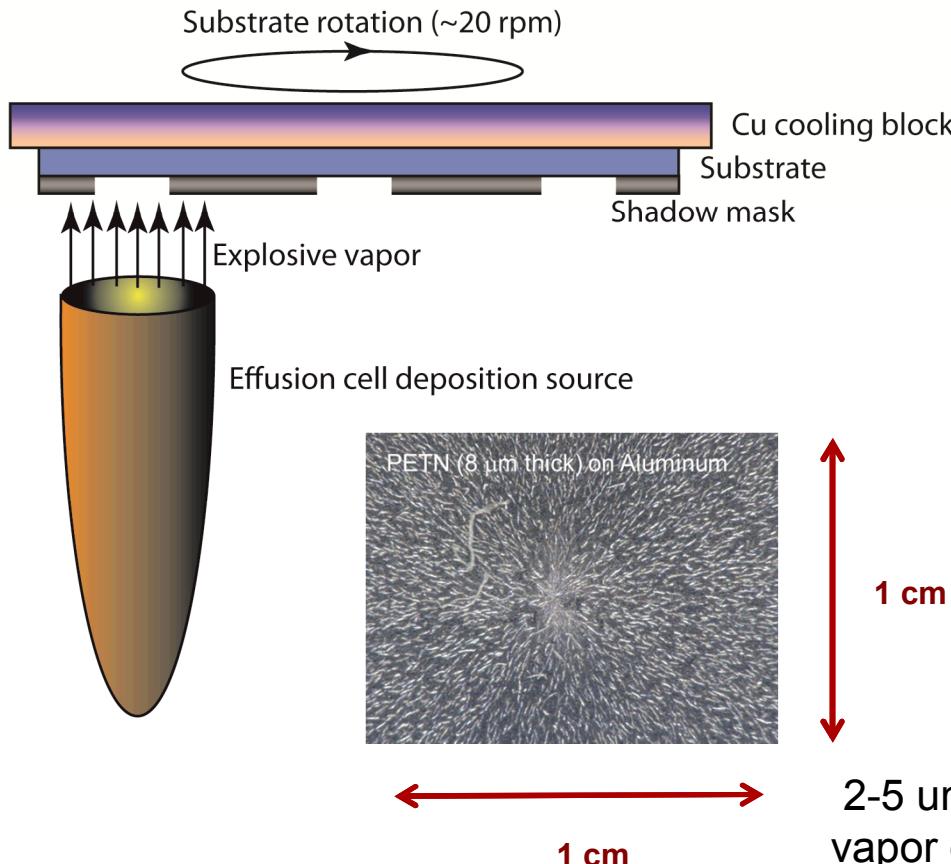


Goto et al., Material Science Forum
Volumes (2004)



- DAC UV/Vis data on RDX. Significant change in absorption spectrum of RDX around ~50 GPa in single crystals
- Transient absorption measurements (390- 780 nm) of single crystal PETN and RDX show building absorption during compression assigned to reaction or defect formation (< 30 GPa). (McGrane et al. IDS, 2010)
- No direct measurement of electronic absorption at explosive surfaces has been done at ambient or elevated pressure.

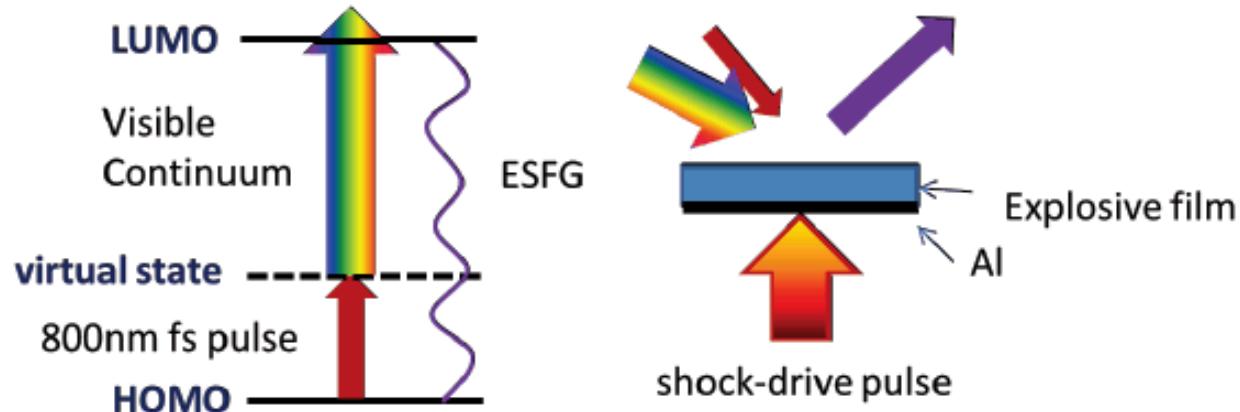
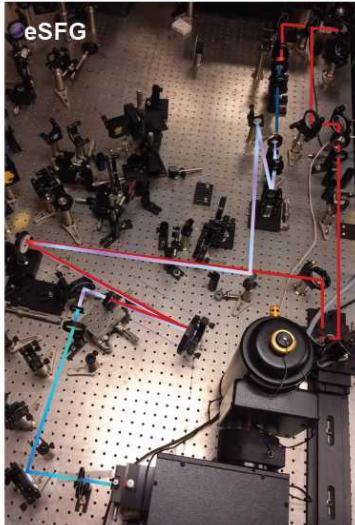
UV/Vis of explosive film/air interface: Model for void.



Knepper et al. *J.Mater.Res.* **26** (2011)

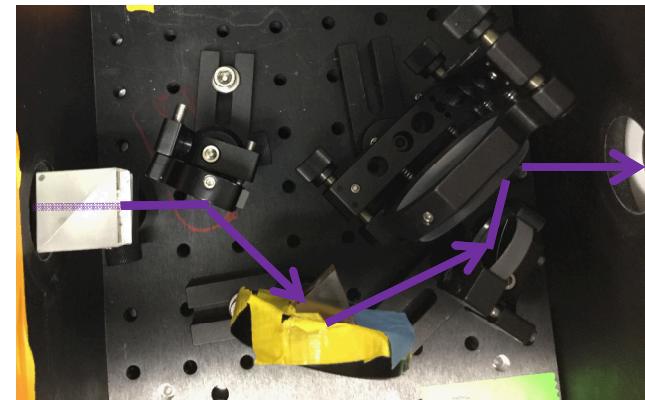
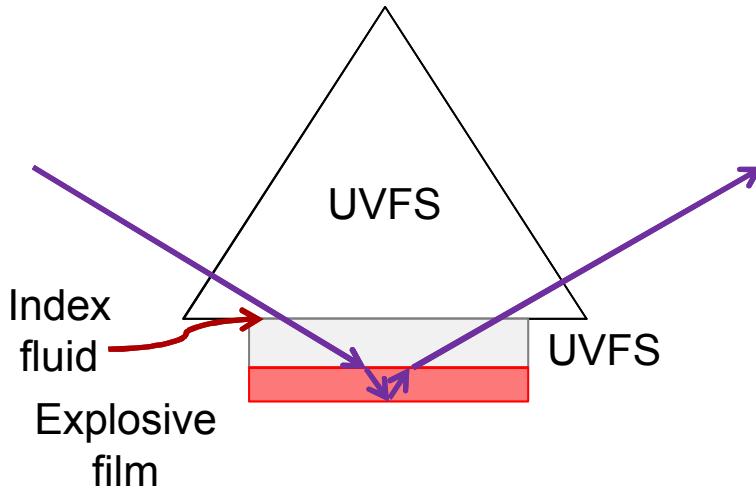
2-5 μm of PETN, HNS, CL20, HNAB or RDX vapor deposited over Aluminum or UV fused silica.

Surface selectivity: Electronic Sum Frequency Generation.



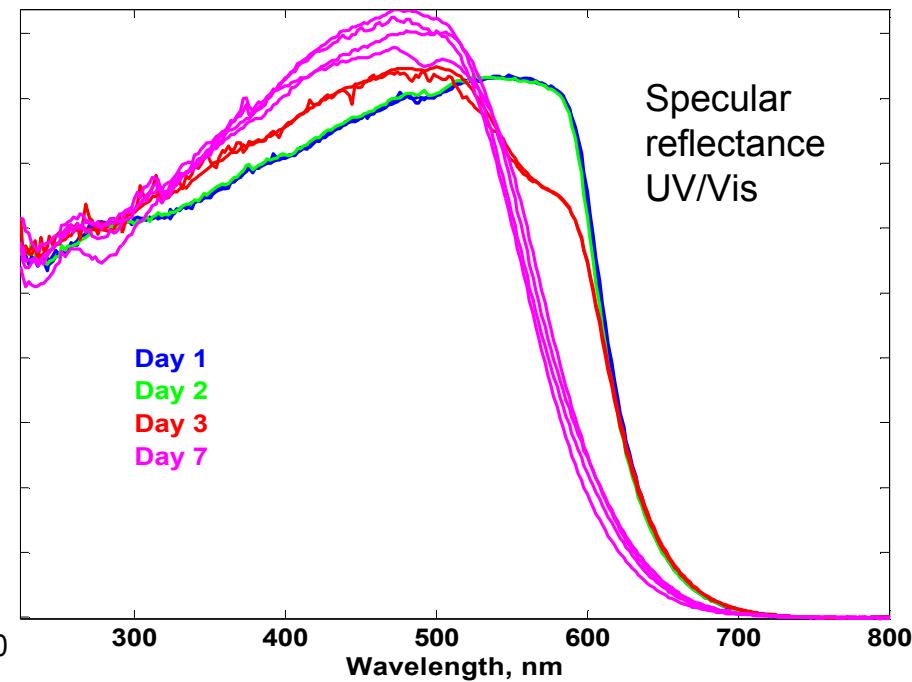
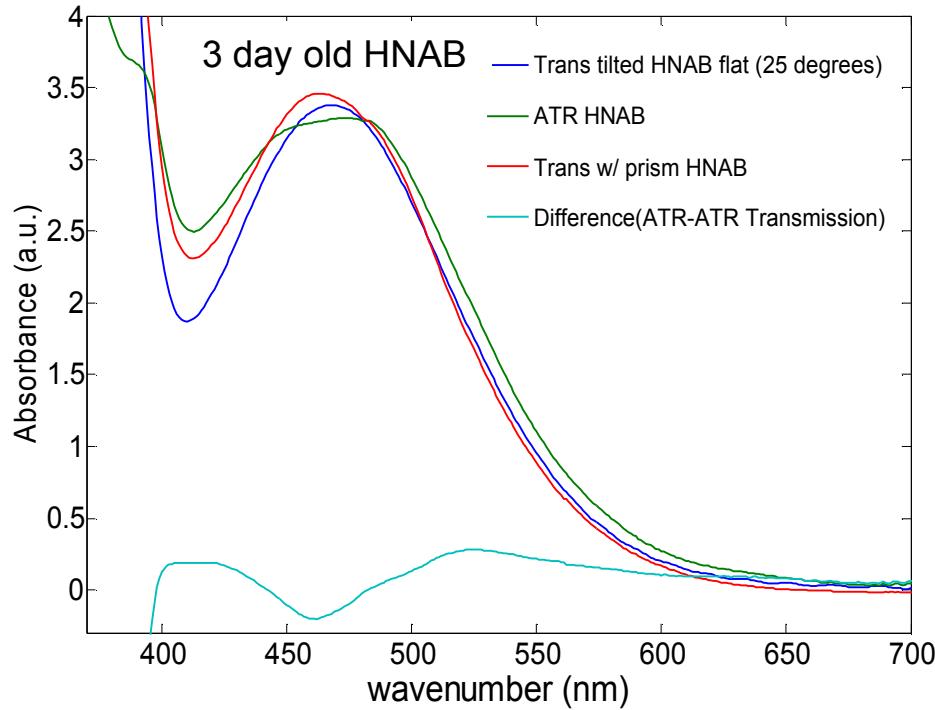
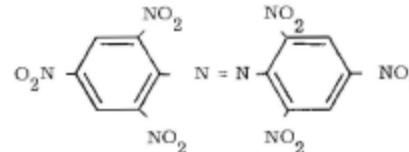
- Previously demonstrated for dye/water samples, semiconductors, and in heterodyne configurations (Yamaguchi, JCP 129, 2008).
- Sum Frequency Generation is not allowed in bulk centrosymmetric materials, enhanced at resonant transitions.
- UV continuum generation did not produce the 1 uJ needed for ESFG. Is there a simpler way?

UV/Vis Attenuated Total internal Reflection.



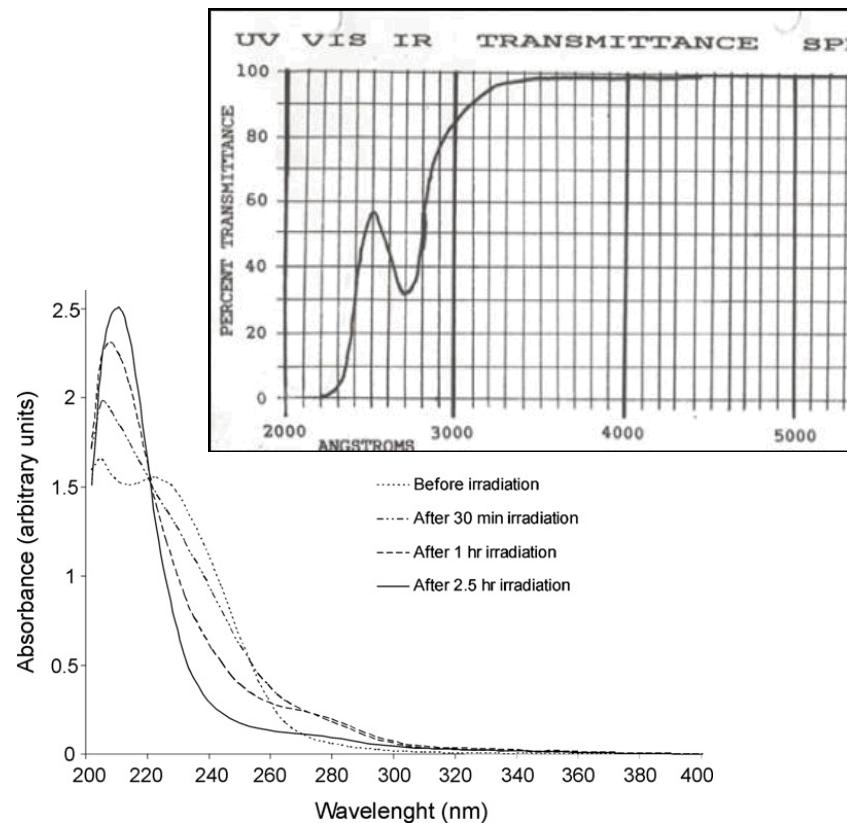
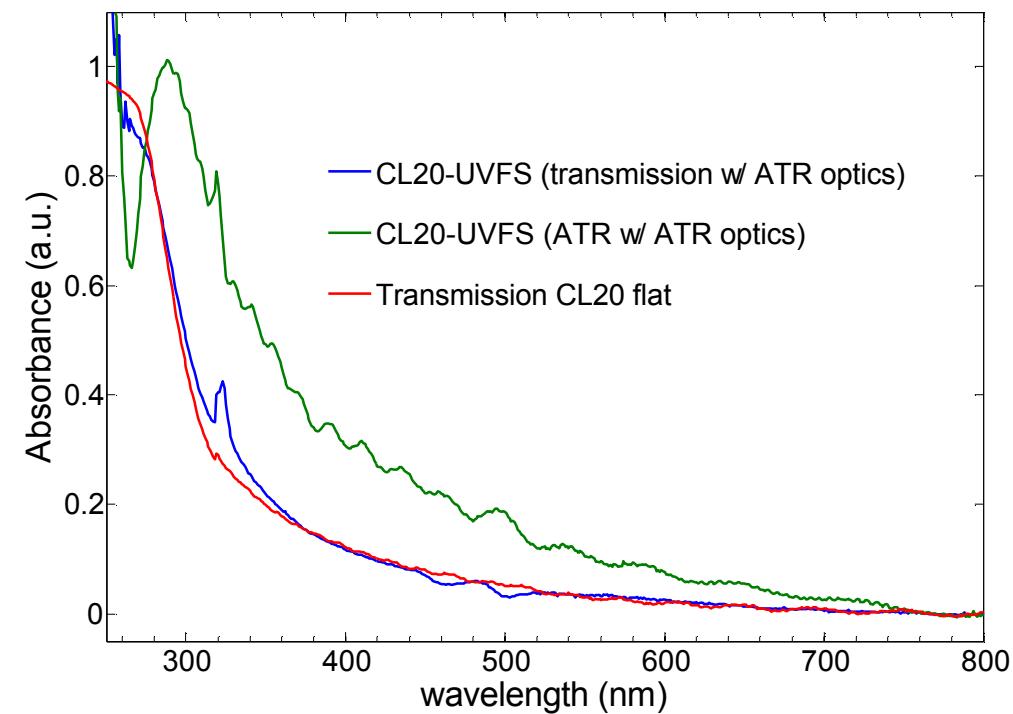
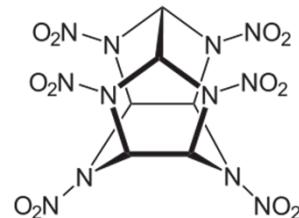
- PerkinElmer Lambda 750 equipped with tungsten-halogen and deuterium sources, with PMT detection.
- Spectra referenced to ATR spectra of identical UVFS plate w/o film. UV absorption from two passes through film will contribute to spectrum.
- Spectra taken of thin film in transmission mode through prism/index fluid and w/o for comparison.

UV/Vis ATR HNAB



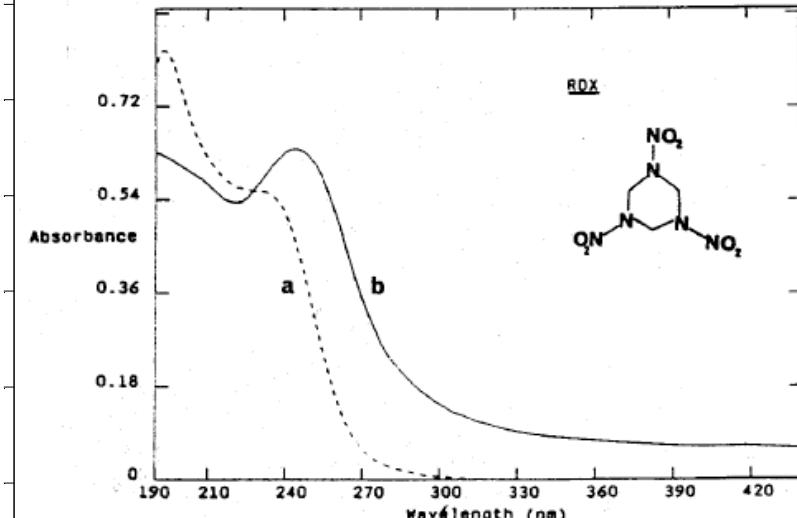
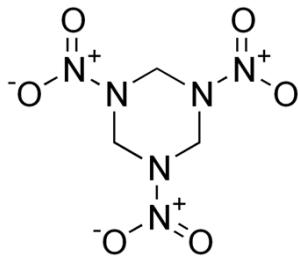
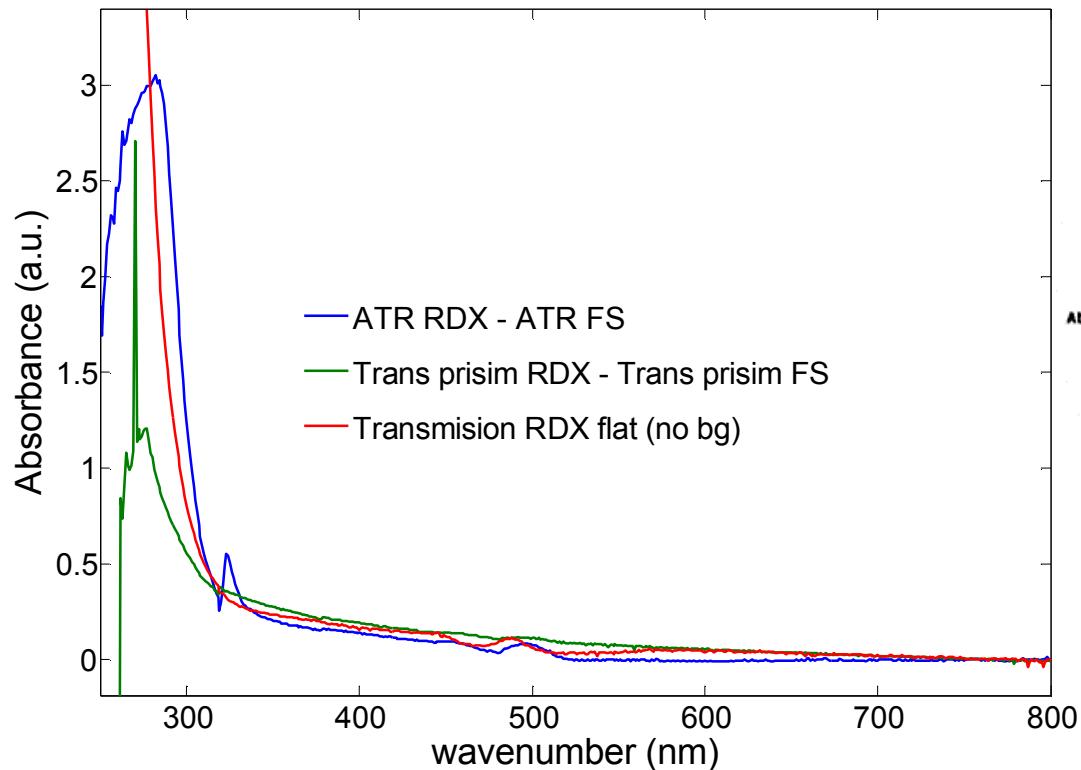
- HNAB vapor deposited film undergoes phase transition from amorphous to HNAB II.
- Broadening and red shift in HNAB spectra that does not match amorphous HNAB spectrum.
- E-wave penetration < 90 nm (worst case FS @ critical angle) @ 550nm

UV/Vis ATR CL20



- While index matching fluid is present in CL20 surface, broadening increased in surface spectra from 300-750 nm. (retaking data next week)
- E-wave penetration < 50 nm (worst case FS @ critical angle) @ 300nm

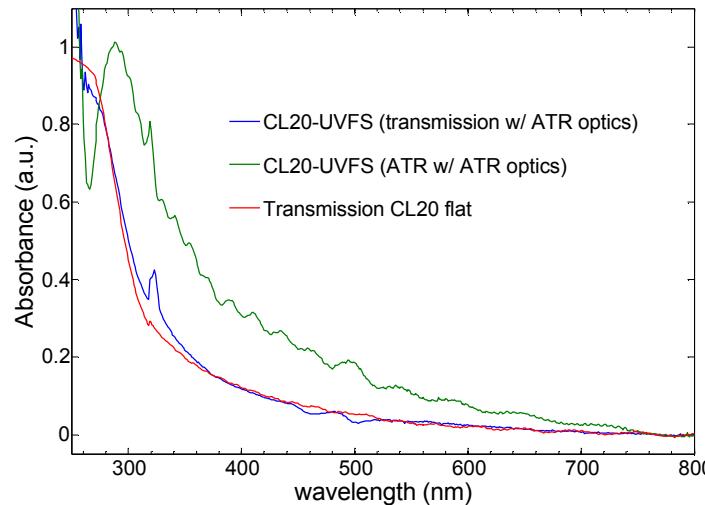
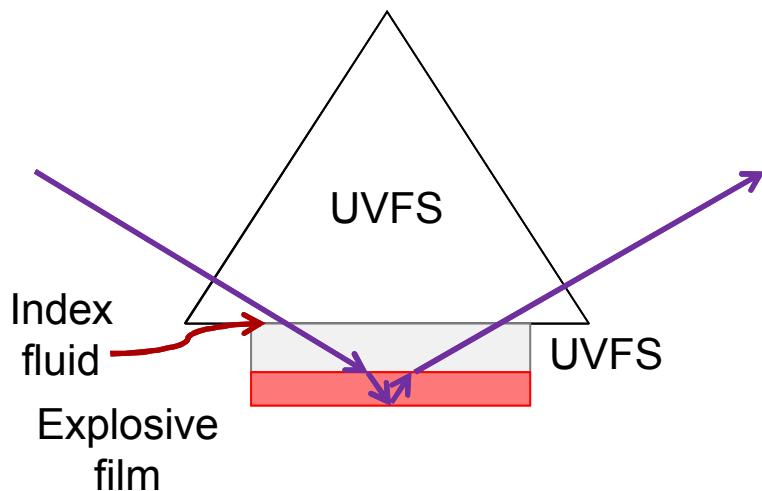
UV/Vis ATR RDX



Smit, Journal of Energetic Mat. (1991)

Peak of spectra $\sim 280\text{nm}$ is red shifted from UV/Vis transmission data in published spectra in salt.

Conclusions:



- We have characterized UV/Vis spectra of explosive within 50-100 nm of the explosive/air interface.
- UV/Vis absorption at the surface has a qualitatively different shape and is red shifted with respect to bulk UV/Vis absorption.
- Difference between bulk and surface dominated UV/Vis spectra motivate time-resolved surface spectroscopy under dynamic compression (ESFG with probe from TOPAS or ATR TA measurement under laser shock).

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