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# Supplementary Materials for

### **High-throughput label-free molecular fingerprinting flow cytometry**

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Movie S1 (.mp4 format). High-speed imaging and FT-CARS flow cytometry of fast-flowing polymer beads of multiple species.

Movie S2 (.mp4 format). High-speed imaging and FT-CARS flow cytometry of fast-flowing *E. gracilis* cells.

## **Supplementary Materials**



**Fig. S1. Figure of merit that compares our work and previous work by others.** Our work achieves both high specificity (i.e., spectral range) and high throughput and is significant for practical biological applications.



**Fig. S2. Complete schematic of the FT-CARS flow cytometer.** CW: continuous wave; ChM: Chirped mirror pair; HWP: Half-wave plate; DM: dichroic mirror; PBS: Polarizing beam splitter; QWP: Quarter-wave plate; RS: Resonant scanner; CoM: Concave mirror; PD1: InGaAs photodiode; HSC: High-speed camera; LPF1: Long-pass filter with a cutoff wavelength of 750 nm; MC: microfluidic chip, LPF2: Long-pass filter with a cutoff wavelength of 650 nm; SPF: Short-pass filter with a cutoff wavelength of 750 nm; P: Polarizer; APD: Avalanche photodiode; SM: Spatial mask; PD2: Si photodiode.





the optical delay (blue), slowly varying component obtained by fitting the time-domain CARS interferogram to a polynomial function (purple), and the residual of the fitting (light blue). (**j**) Single-scan FT-CARS spectrum obtained as the Fourier transform of the residual in the time-domain CARS interferogram with a Hanning window function.



**Fig. S4. Structure of the acoustofluidic-focusing microfluidic chip.**



**Fig. S5. Steps for fabricating the acoustofluidic-focusing microfluidic chip.** (**a**) The borosilicate glass was sandblasted using an etching mask of a SCM250 (Nikko-Materials Co., Ltd., Japan) which is a negative photoresist. In this process, we obtained ports for the inlet and outlet of the microchannel. (**b**) We removed the patterned SCM250 layer. (**c**) The other borosilicate glass and silicon were bonded by using the anodic bonding technique. Then, a SU-8 (Nihon Kayaku Co., Ltd., Japan) layer was patterned on the surface of the silicon layer. (**d**) The silicon layer was etched by using the deep reactive etching technique, which allowed us to fabricate the vertical sidewalls for the microchannel. (**e**) The borosilicate glass with the ports and patterned silicon layer were bonded by using the anodic bonding technique. (**f**) A piezoelectric actuator was bonded by using a cyanoacrylate adhesive.



**Fig. S6. Stability of the FT-CARS flow cytometer.** (**a**) Bead-to-bead fluctuations of the Raman spectra of flowing PS beads (bottom) and the averaged spectrum (top)  $(N = 4.873)$ . (**b**) Fluctuations of the peak position at 1,003 cm<sup>-1</sup> (bottom) and its distribution with a standard deviation of 3.2 cm<sup>-1</sup> (top). (c) Fluctuations of the peak intensity at 1,003 cm<sup>-1</sup> (blue, bottom) and its distribution with a standard deviation of  $\pm$ 53% (blue, top). The background noise level was estimated by plotting its Raman intensity at  $900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (green).



**Fig. S7. Stability of the FT-CARS spectrometer.** (**a**) Spectrum-to-spectrum fluctuations of the Raman spectra of cyclohexane placed on a glass slide (bottom) and the averaged spectrum (top) (N = 2,404). (**b**) Fluctuations of the peak position at 801 cm<sup>-1</sup> (bottom) and its distribution with a standard deviation of 0.6 cm<sup>-1</sup> (top). (c) Fluctuations of the peak intensity at 801 cm<sup>-1</sup> (bottom) and its distribution with a standard deviation of  $\pm 3\%$ (top).



**Fig. S8. Image of an** *E. gracilis* **cell under a conventional optical microscope.**



**Fig. S9. Images of** *H. lacustris* **cells under the nitrogen deficiency stress obtained by a conventional optical microscope.**



**Fig. S10. Raman spectra obtained by FT-CARS and conventional spontaneous Raman spectroscopy.** (**a**) PS beads. (**b**) PMMA beads. (**c**) *H. lacustris* cells on Day 0. (**d**) *H. lacustris* cells on Day 5. The spontaneous Raman spectra were obtained with a commercial Raman microscope (inVia, Renishaw) at an excitation wavelength of 785 nm. The exposure time for the spontaneous Raman spectra was 60 s. FT-CARS spectra of the PS and PMMA beads were obtained in a single scan (41.7  $\mu$ s). The FT-CARS spectra of *H. lacustris* cells on Day 0 and Day 5 are given by averaging the spectra of 3,000 *H. lacustris* cells.



**Movie S1. High-speed imaging and FT-CARS flow cytometry of fast-flowing polymer beads of multiple species.** The top left panel shows the high-speed camera images of the flowing beads. The bottom panel shows the Raman spectra of the flowing beads. The right panel shows the Raman intensities at  $1,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $810 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .



**Movie S2. High-speed imaging and FT-CARS flow cytometry of fast-flowing** *E. gracilis* **cells.** The top left panel shows the high-speed camera images of the flowing cells. The bottom panel shows the Raman spectra of the flowing cells. The right panel shows the forward-scattered light signal and Raman intensity at  $750 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .