

Interferometric Microscopy for Detection and Visualization of Biological Nanoparticles

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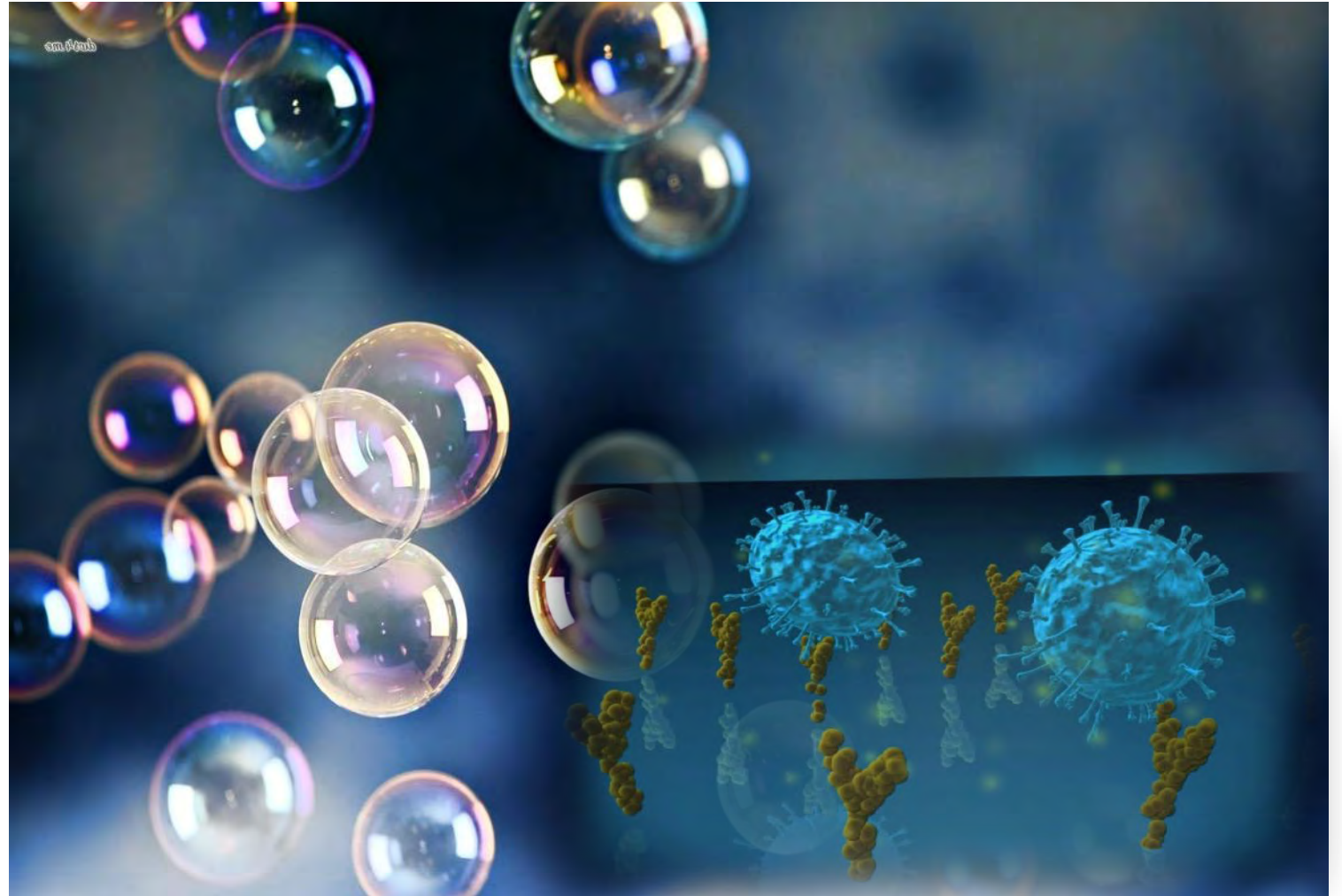
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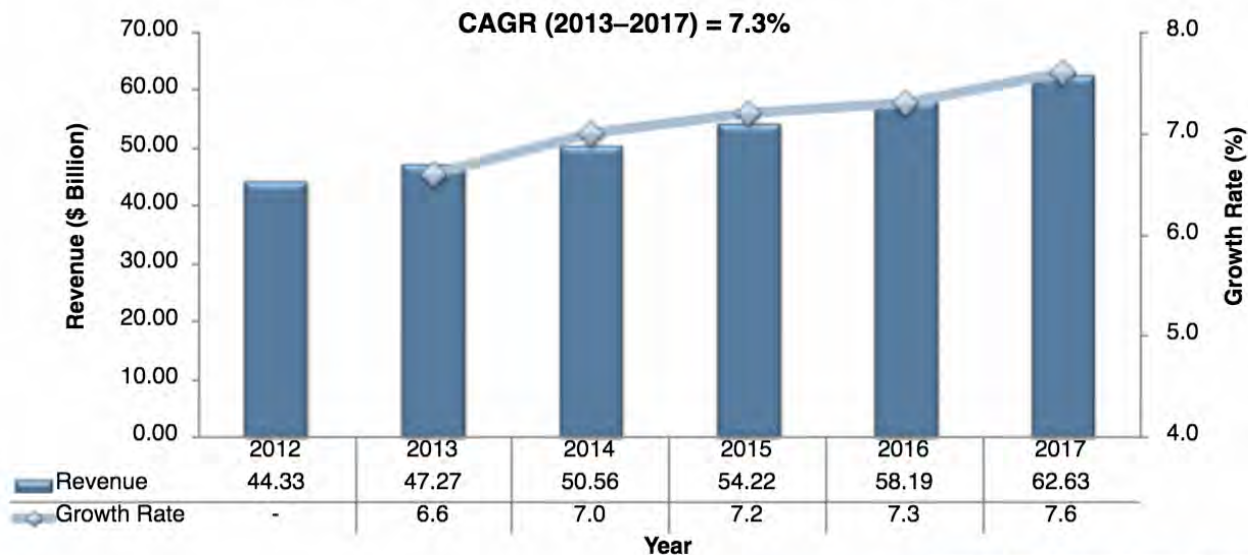
MOTIVATION

Enjoy curiosity driven research to make the world a better place for all.
Training / transforming students.

Total IVD Market—Revenue Forecast

Key Takeaway: Despite global economic and industry challenges, IVD markets are growing robustly and at double the rate of the global pharmaceutical industry.

Total IVD Market*: Revenue Forecast, Global, 2012–2017

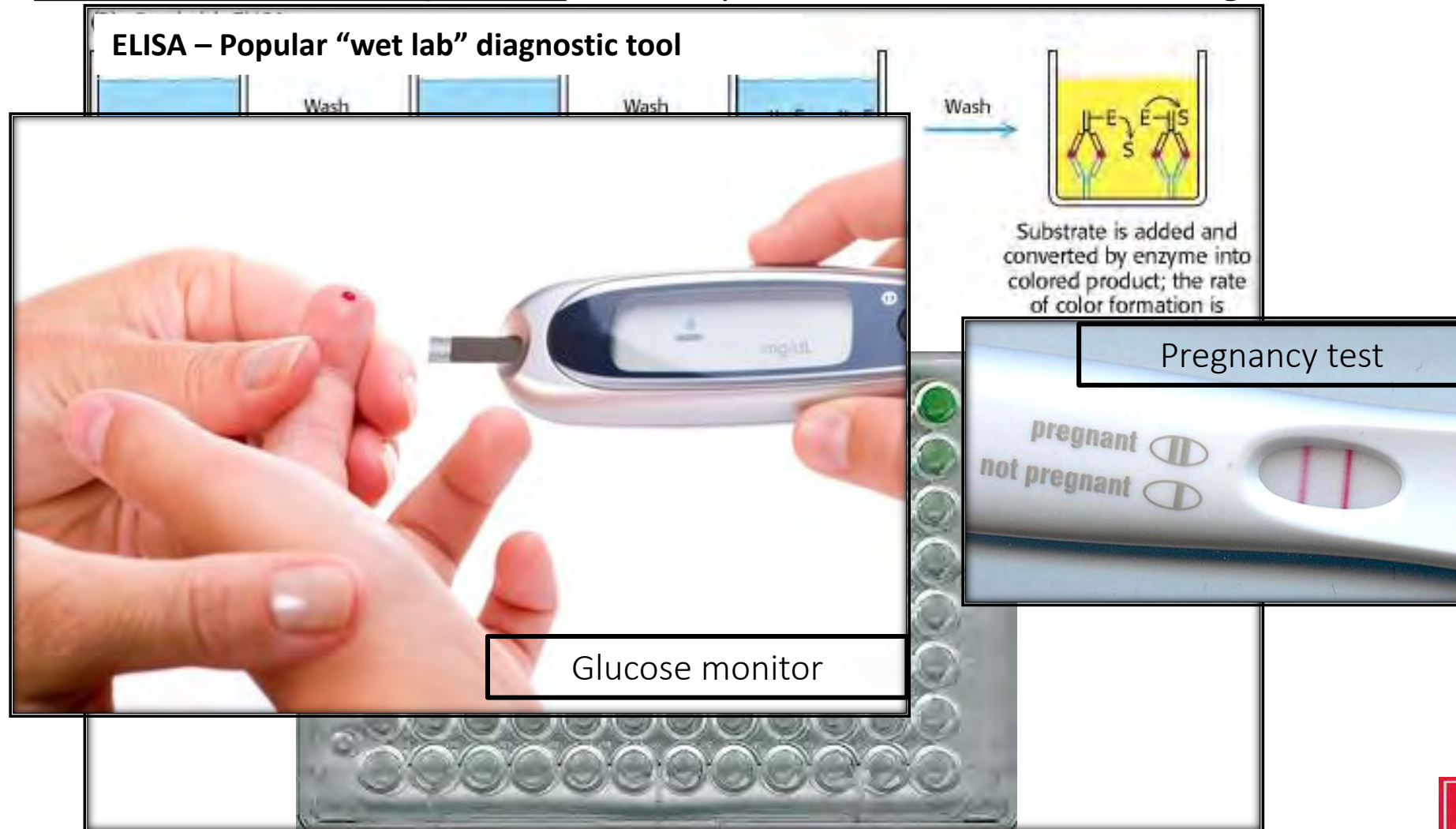


*Does not include tissue diagnostics segment.
Note: All figures are rounded. The base year is 2013. Source: Frost & Sullivan



Conventional *in vitro* Dx (IVD)

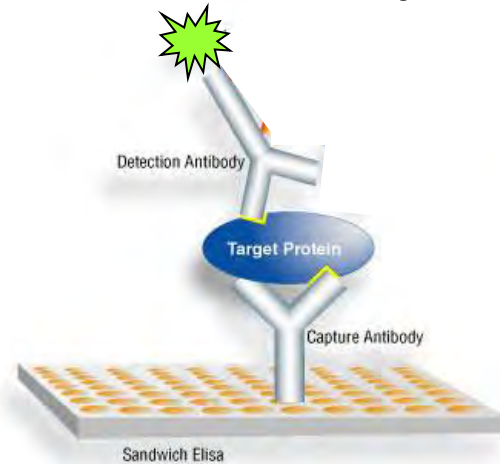
- Biomarkers indicate state of disease
- Point of care (POC) diagnostics would expedite clinical decision making



Diagnostics/detection

ELISA

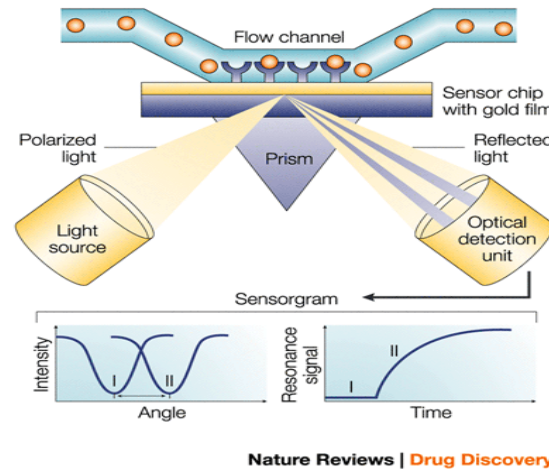
(Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay)



- Uses secondary labeling for detection
- Requires laboratory and skilled technicians
- Time-consuming process

SPR

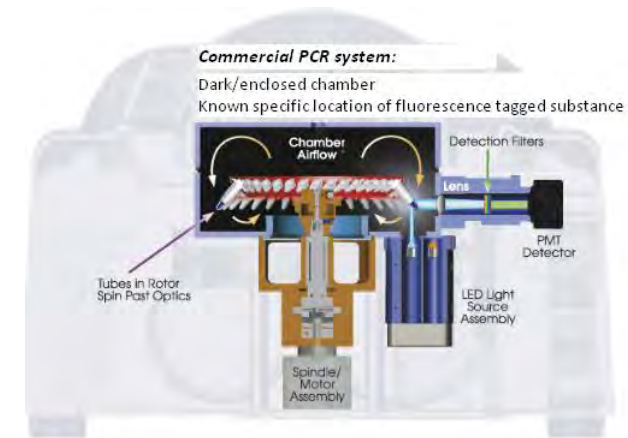
(Surface Plasmon Resonance)



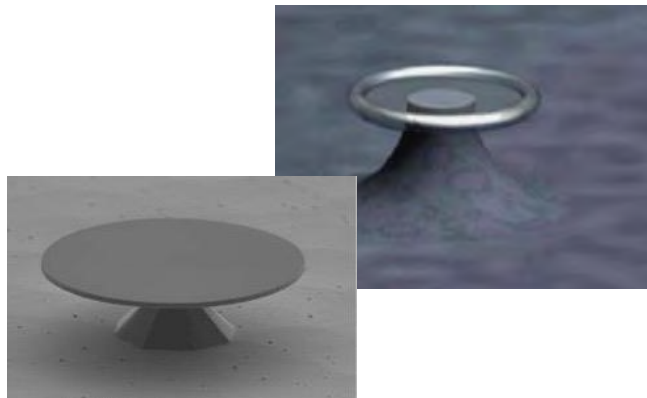
- Label-free optical detection
- Large, expensive equipment
- Requires laboratory environment

PCR

(polymerase chain reaction)

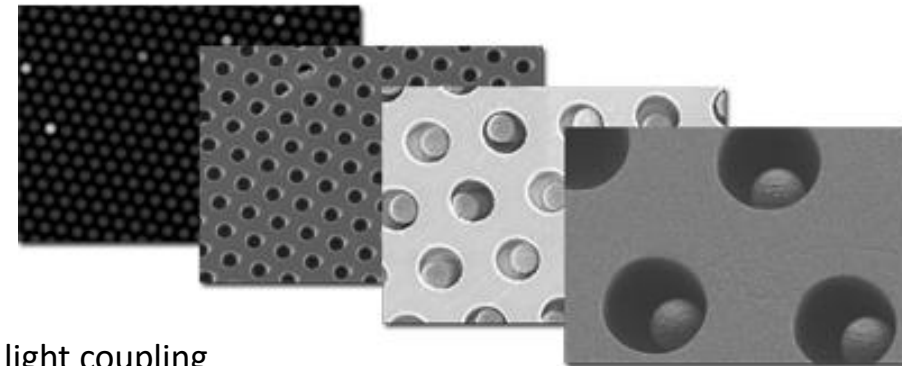


- Sample preparation,
- Dark/enclosed chamber,
- Known specific location of target



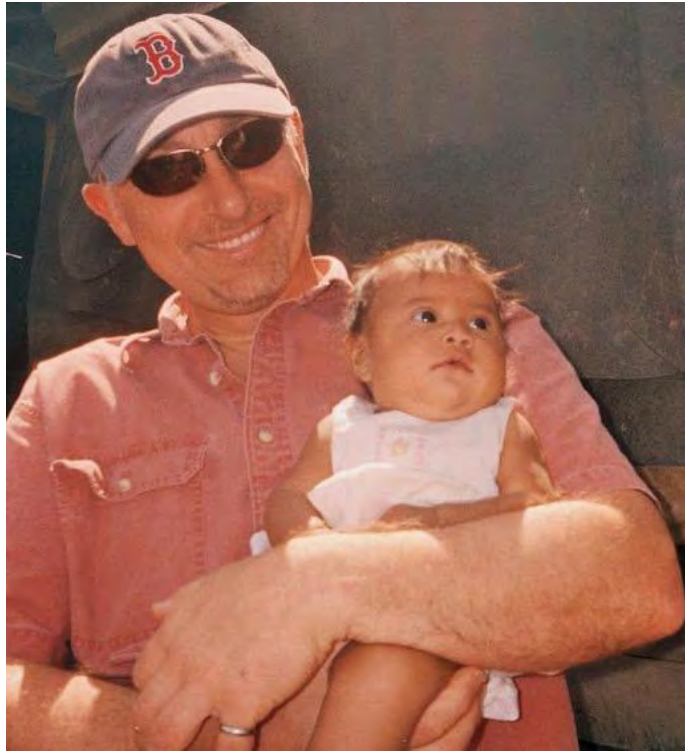
Single particle detection

- High-Q Resonators
- Digital PCR, Simoa
- Small interaction volume
- Fragile/complex devices, difficult light coupling



Altruistic - MOTIVATION

Global access to state-of-the-art diagnostics



March 2011, Nicaragua
Field trip with 14 BU-ENG undergraduate students.
Global health / limited resource settings



Optics in 17th-century Europe

Rene Descartes

Descartes reasoned that light must be like sound.

Is light a WAVE then ?

So he modeled light as pressure variations in a medium (aether or ether).



Descartes (1596-1659)

Kamāl al-Dīn al-Fārisī فارسی کامال دین

Farisi is known for giving the first mathematically satisfactory explanation of the [rainbow](#), and an explication of the nature of colors that reformed the theory of Ibn al-Haytham [Alhazen](#)

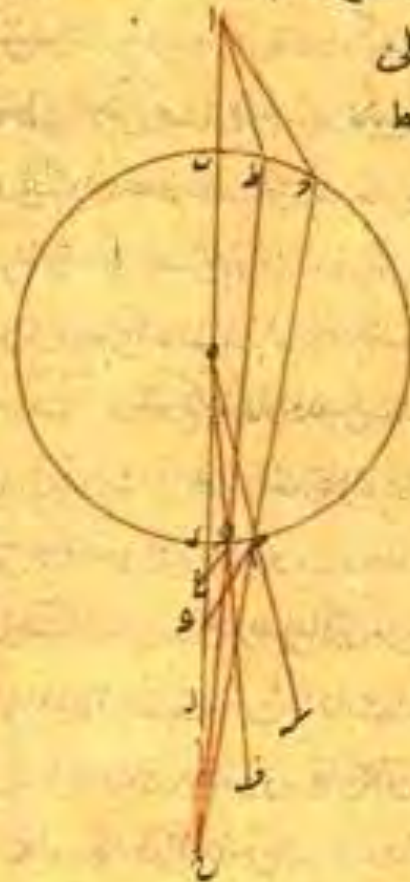


Kamal al-Din al-Farisi's Tanqih al-Manazir, a revision of Ibn Al-Haytham's book of optics (708 H.E./1309 A.D.)

Adilnor Collection.

Farisi also "proposed a model where the ray of light from the sun was refracted twice by a water droplet, one or more reflections occurring between the two refractions." He verified this through extensive experimentation using a transparent sphere filled with water

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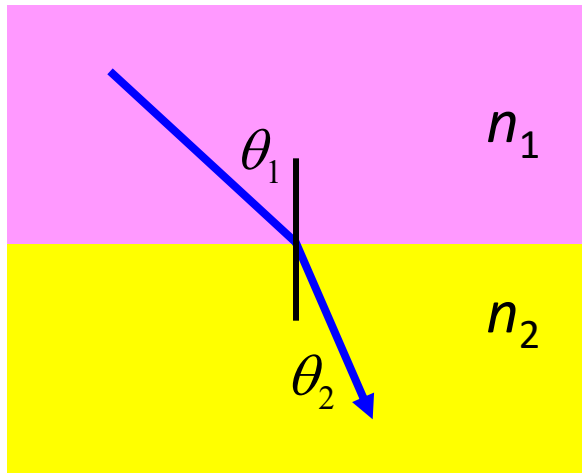


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ان يوصل بين ح ط وبين ك ح وكذلك خط طه اذا
انطفت الى خارج الكره فانما يلاقي قح على نقطة ابعد

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Optics in 17th-century Europe

Willibrord Snell discovered the Law of Refraction, now named after him.



n_i is the refractive index of each medium.

$$n_1 \sin(\theta_1) = n_2 \sin(\theta_2)$$

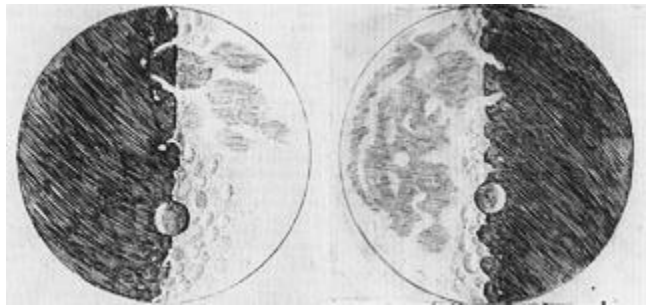
Willibrord Snell (1591-1626)



The person who did discover the Law of the Sines, was Willebrord Snell, about 1621; but the law was first published by Descartes, who had seen Snell's papers*. Descartes does not acknowledge this law to have been first detected by another; and after his manner, instead of establishing its reality by reference to experiment, he pretends to prove *a priori* that it must be true*, comparing, for this purpose, the particles of light, to balls striking a substance which *accelerates* them.

Optics in 17th-century Europe

Galileo (1564-1642) used Galilean telescope to look at our moon, Jupiter and its moons, and the sun.



Galileo's drawings of the moon



Von Leeuwenhoek Microscope (circa Late 1600s)



Hooke Microscope circa 1670

Figure 1

Optics in 17-18th-century Europe

"I procured me a triangular glass prism to try therewith the celebrated phenomena of colours." (Newton, 1665)



Isaac Newton
(1642-1727)

Light was one of Newton's many areas of research. After remaining ambivalent for many years, he eventually concluded that it was evidence for a particle theory of light.

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"Nec aranearum sane textus ideo melior quia ex se fila gignunt, nec noster vilior quia ex alienis libamus ut apes." JUST. LIPS. *Monit. Polit.* lib. i. cap. 1.

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VI. On the Phenomena of Newton's Rings when formed between two transparent Substances of different refractive Powers. By G. B. AIRY, M.A. F.R.A.S. F.G.S. Late Fellow of Trinity College, and Plumian Professor of Astronomy and Experimental Philosophy in the University of Cambridge*.

IN a paper communicated to the Royal Society, since, I stated that if a lens of a plane surface of a liquid, is placed upon it, less than the polar angle of incidence, or greater than the angle of incidence, the rings would be seen. In the first case, if the incidence was greater than the polar angle, Newton's rings would be seen. I have now to announce the results of the examination of the rings, as without the aid of a microscope will not be sufficient.

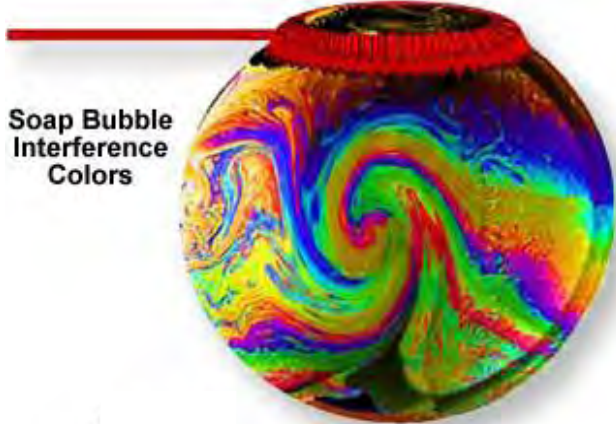
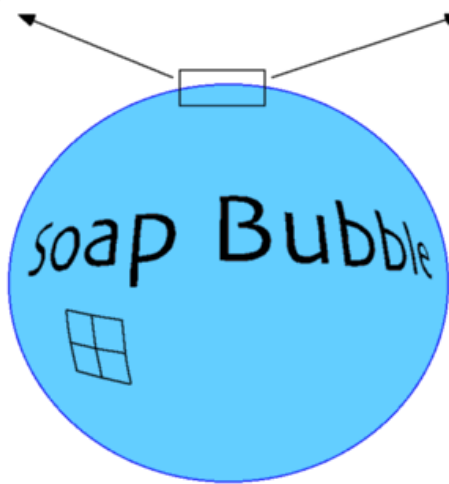
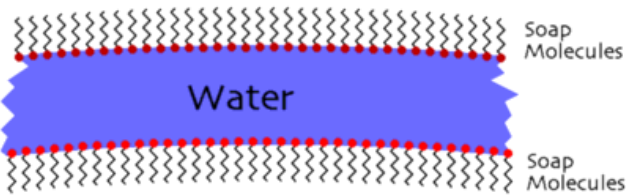
Before describing the results of the examination, I give a theoretical account of the rings; as without the aid of a microscope will not be sufficient. Conceive two nearly parallel plates of different media to be separated by a plate of air whose thickness is T ; and let the vibration in the plane of reflexion, of an incident stream of light within the first medium, be represented by $a \sin \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}(vt - x)$

where x is the equivalent in air to the actual distance of a particle from some fixed point, (the light being supposed polarized in a plane perpendicular to the plane of reflexion). Let i be the angle of incidence on the last surface of the first medium; i' the angle of refraction, which is the same as the angle of incidence on the first surface of the second medium; and i'' the angle of refraction in the second medium. A part of the light will be reflected at the last surface of the first medium; a part will reach the first surface of the second medium, where it will be subdivided; and one portion will be reflected to the surface of the first medium, where it will be again divided; and one of its parts will enter in the same direction as that which was reflected at first. In this the phase of the undulation will be *behind* that which was first

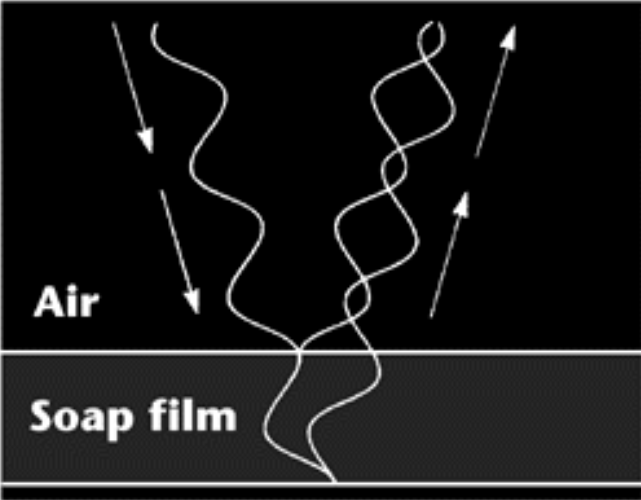
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Optical Interference: from basic to the ultimate



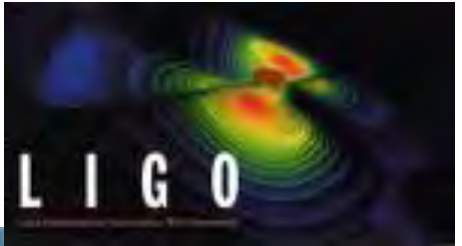
Soap Bubble
Interference
Colors



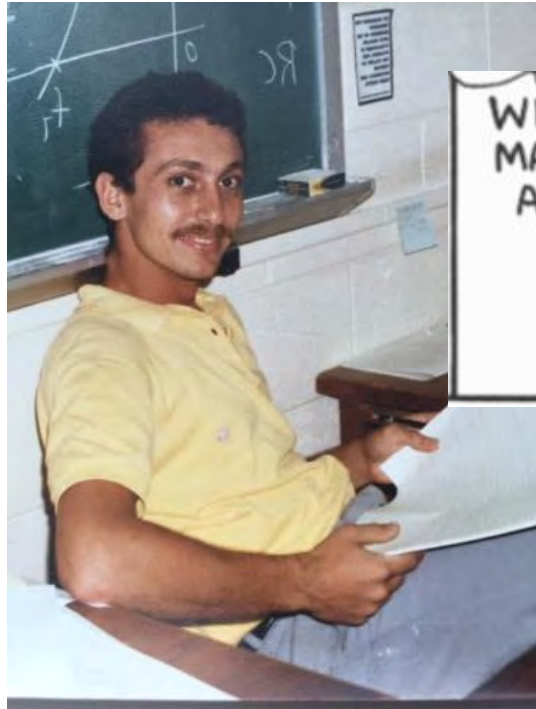
~ 10 nm
thickness
change can be
visually
observed

>10 orders of magnitude

0.1 atto-m
displacement



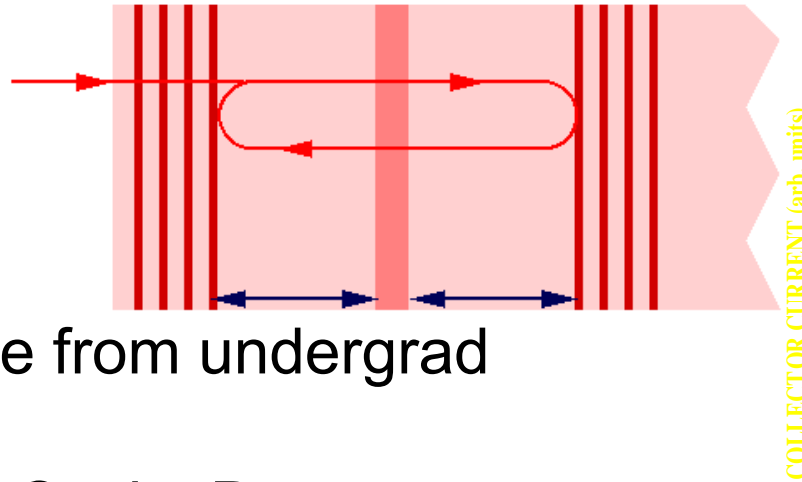
PhD years - semiconductor devices



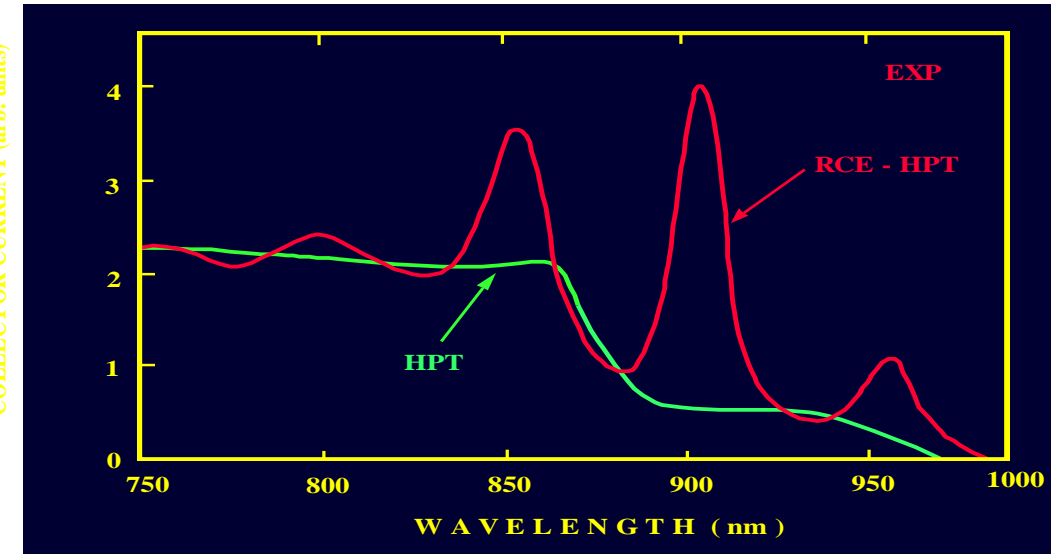
Let's
incorporate a
reflector at the
bottom



Prof. Kishino
Sophia Univ



In my comfort zone from undergrad
Waves – EM
PhD on Resonant Cavity Detectors
and on to BU in 1992





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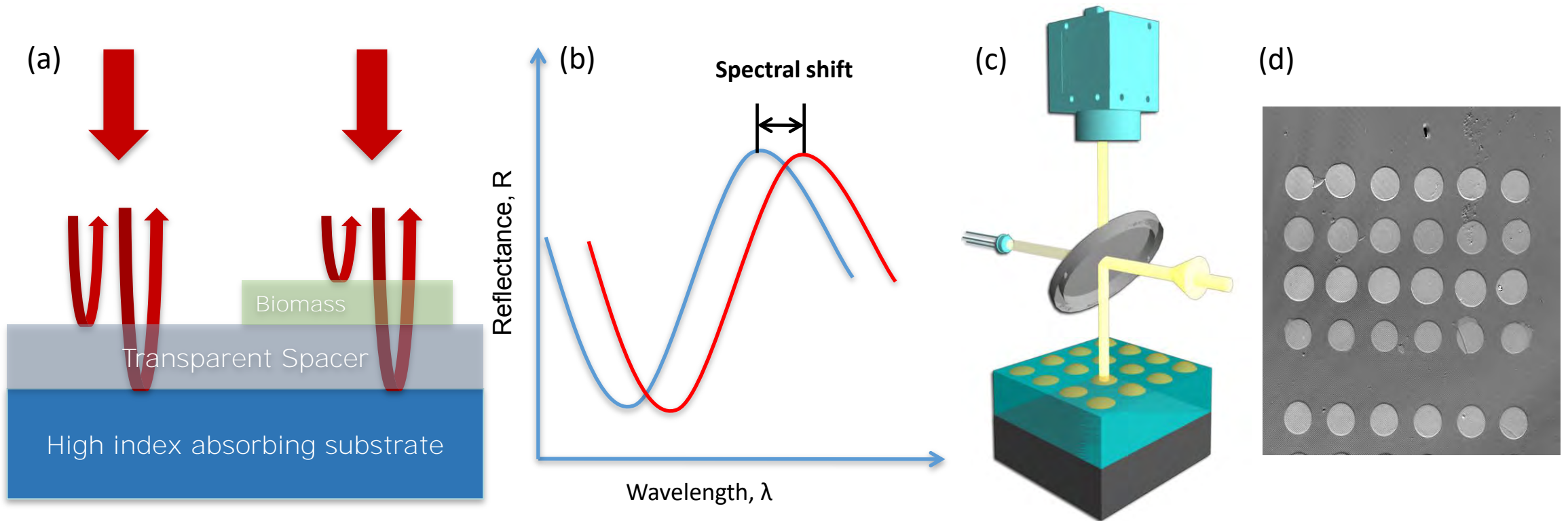


EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

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Interferometric Reflectance Imaging Sensor (IRIS)

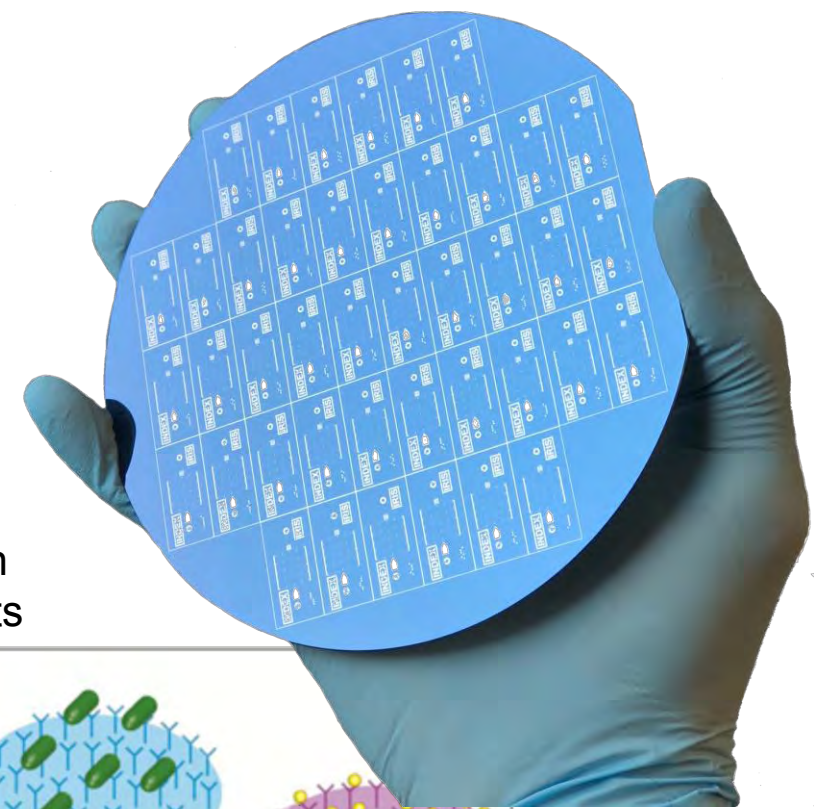


Sensor Chip Requirements

- Multilayer reflector with no stray light
- Flat and smooth surface
- Chemical functionalization / glass
- Manufacturable and scalable

Transparent Spacer

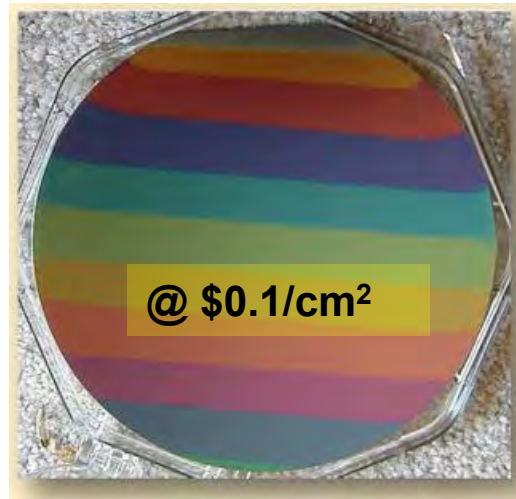
High index absorbing substrate



soap film

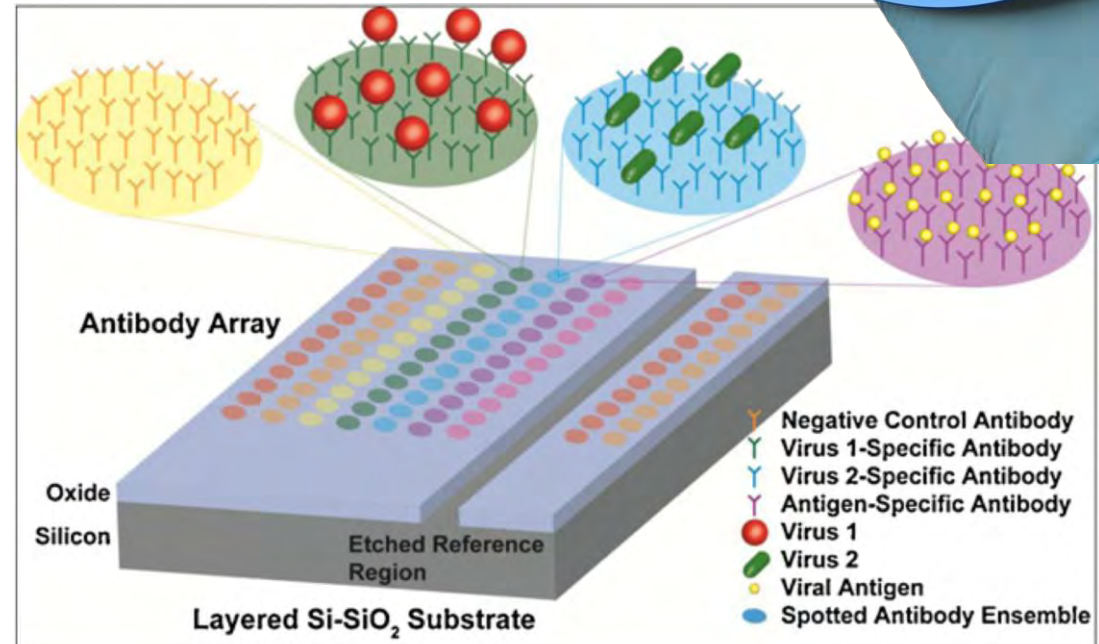


Oxide coated Si



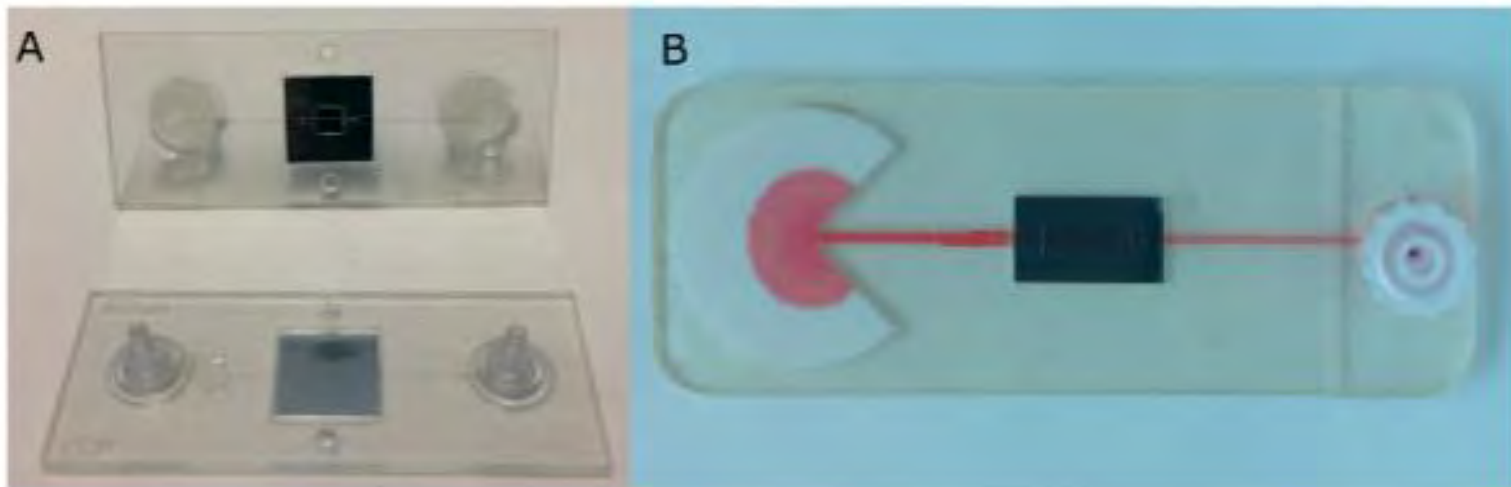
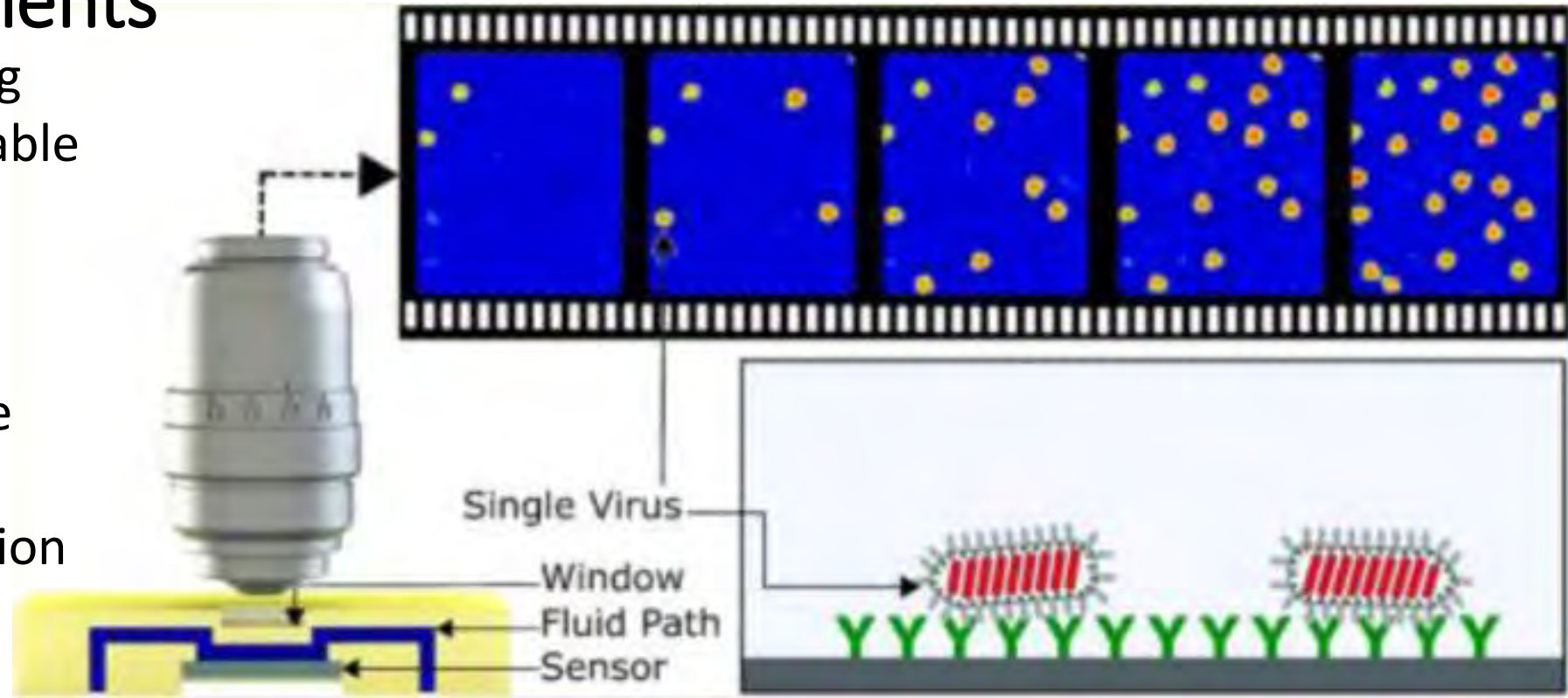
Ünlü et al, "STRUCTURED SUBSTRATES FOR OPTICAL SURFACE PROFILING," US Patent No: 9599611, 2017
pg/mm² sensitivity 1,000s of spots

Protein microarray chips with 100s to 1,000s of probe spots



Cartridge Requirements

- Optical quality for imaging
- Manufacturable and scalable
- Easy assembly with chip
- Cost
- Multi-layer polycarbonate laminates (7 layers)
 - Good prototype solution
 - Cost remains high for medium volume

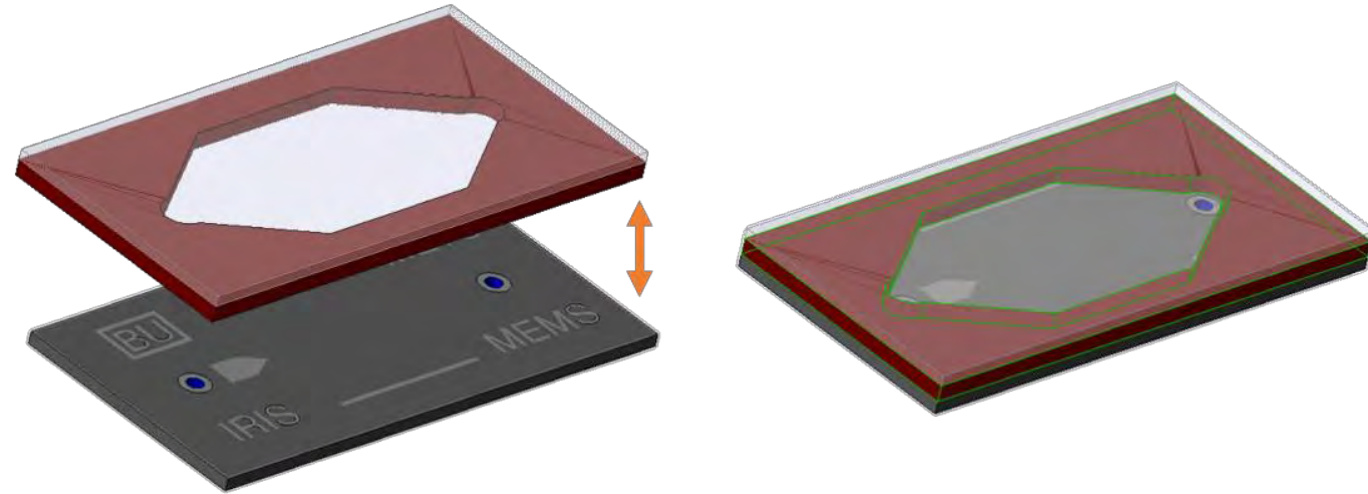
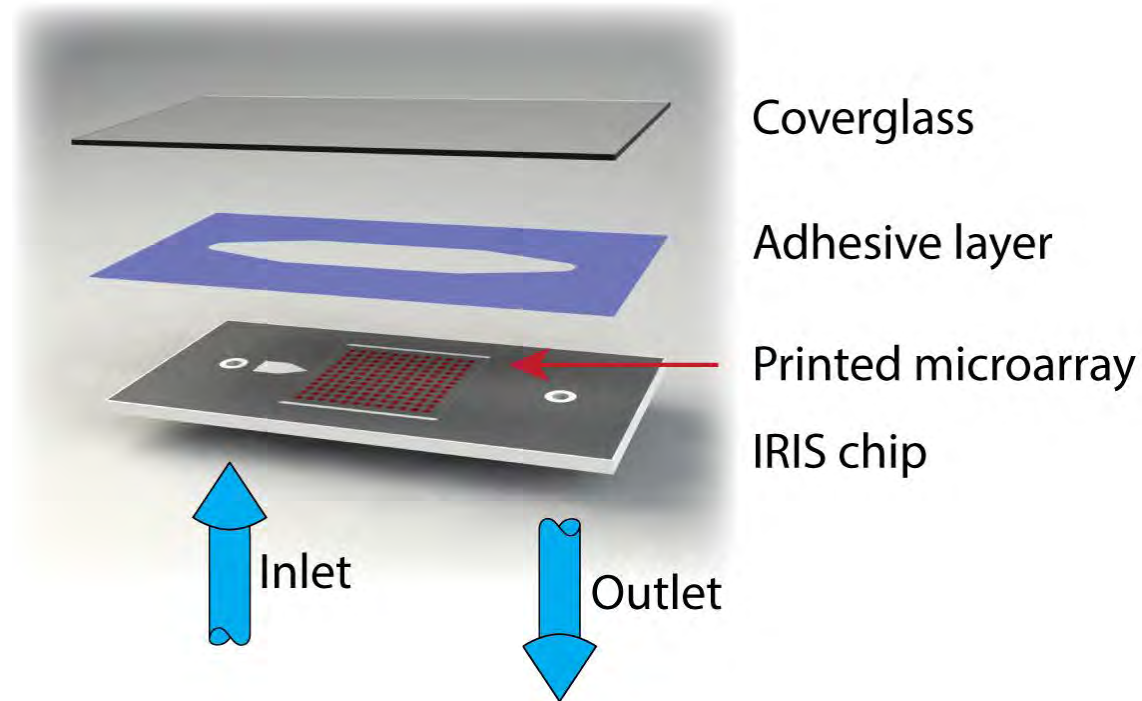


Scherr et al, *ACS Nano* 10 (2016)

Scherr et al, *Lab on a Chip* (2017)

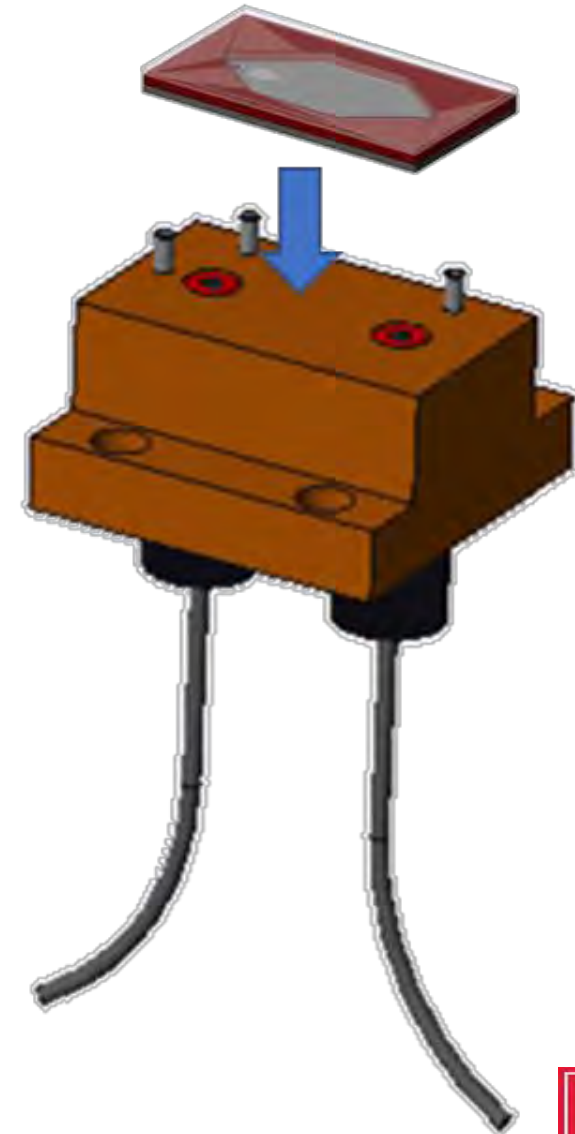
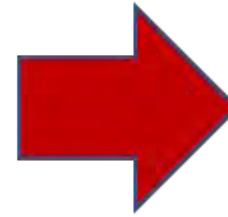
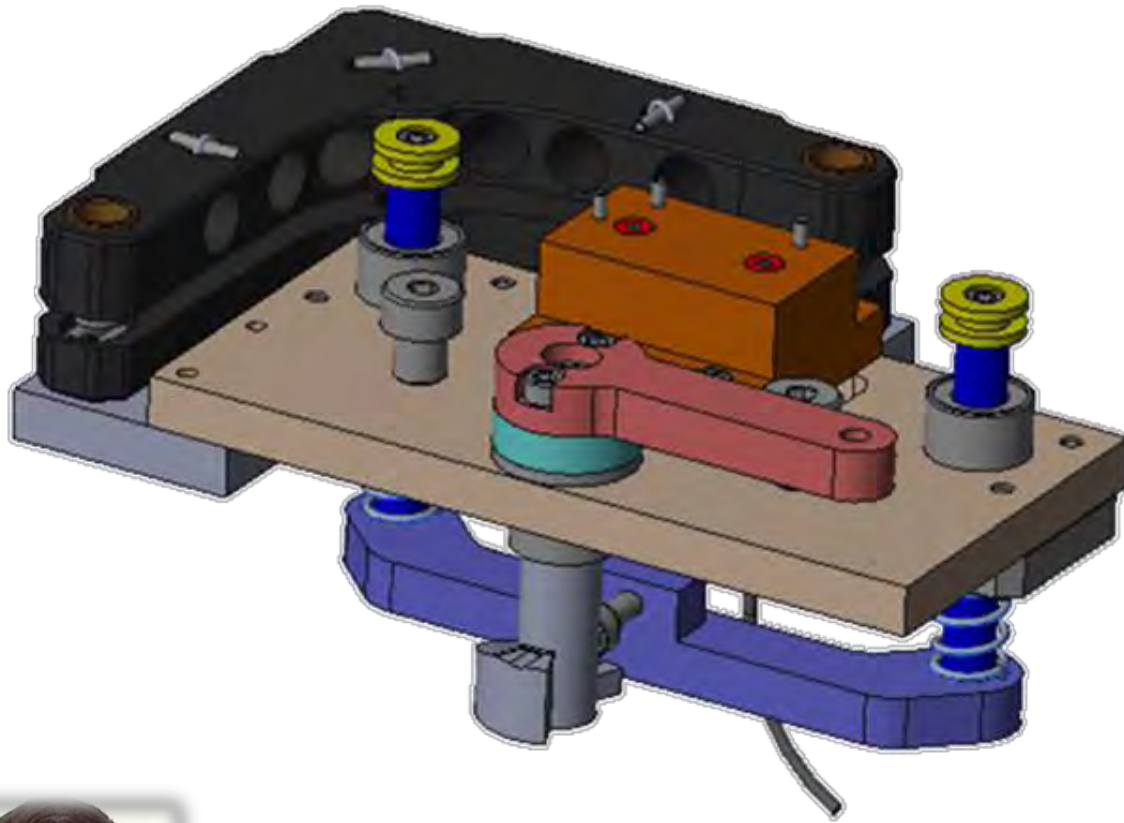
Si-based Microfluidics solution

- Fluidics through Si
- Manufacturable / scalable – established infrastructure
- Top window can be separately optimized
 - AR coating
 - Polarization preserving



Yalcin-Ozkumur, JSTQE (2018)

Mechanical Fixture

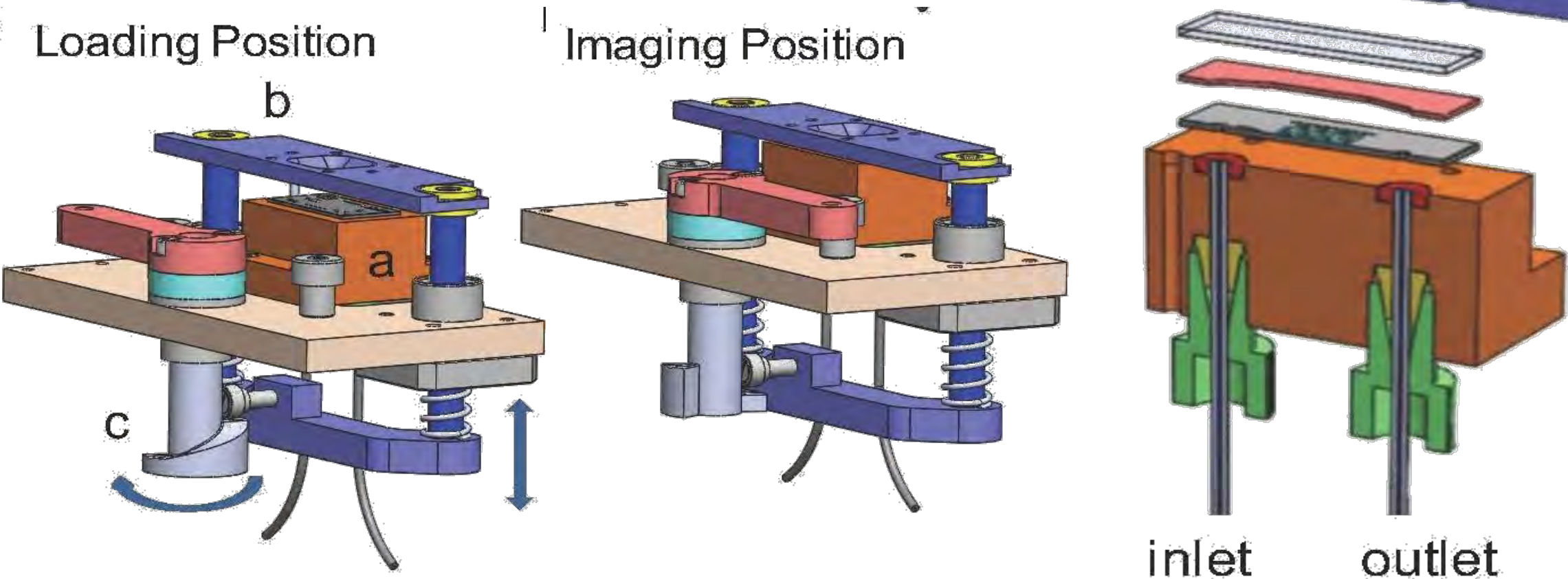


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Cam Operation

Interferometric Detection and Enumeration of Viral Particles using Si-based Microfluidics

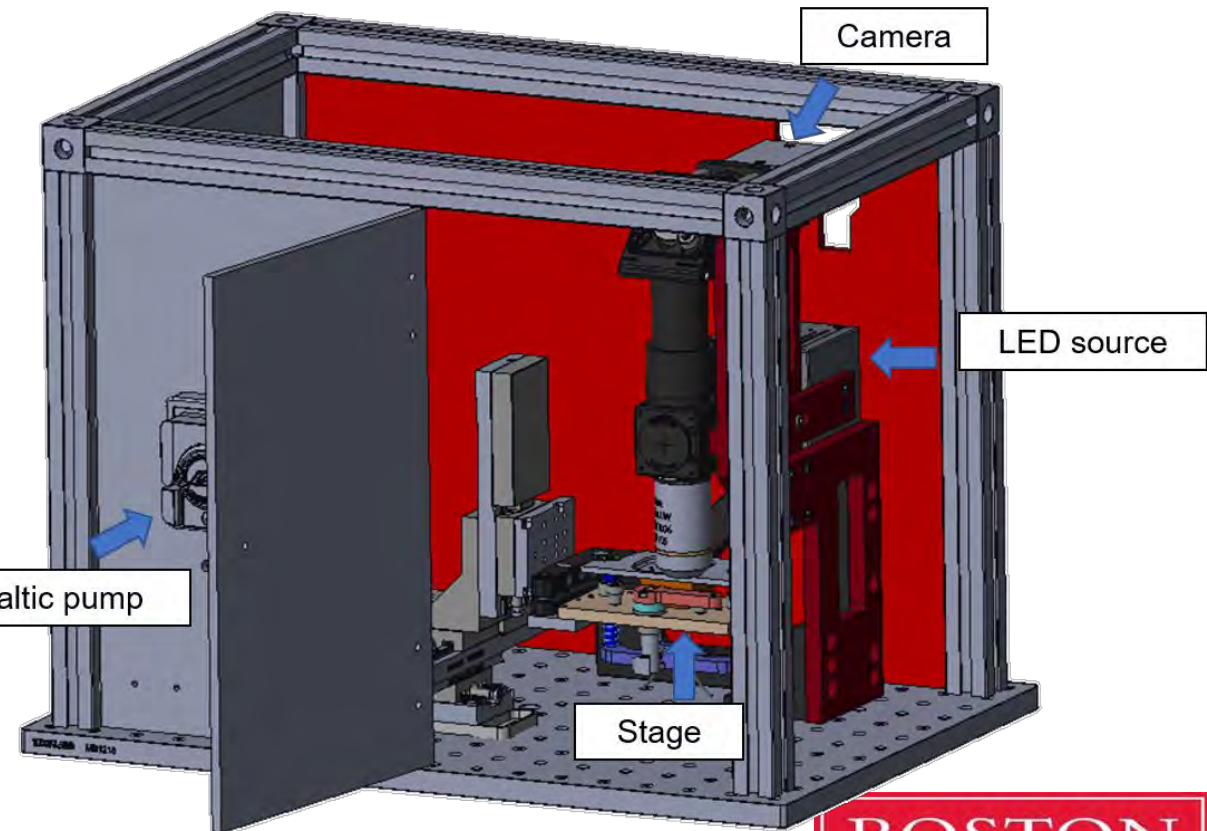
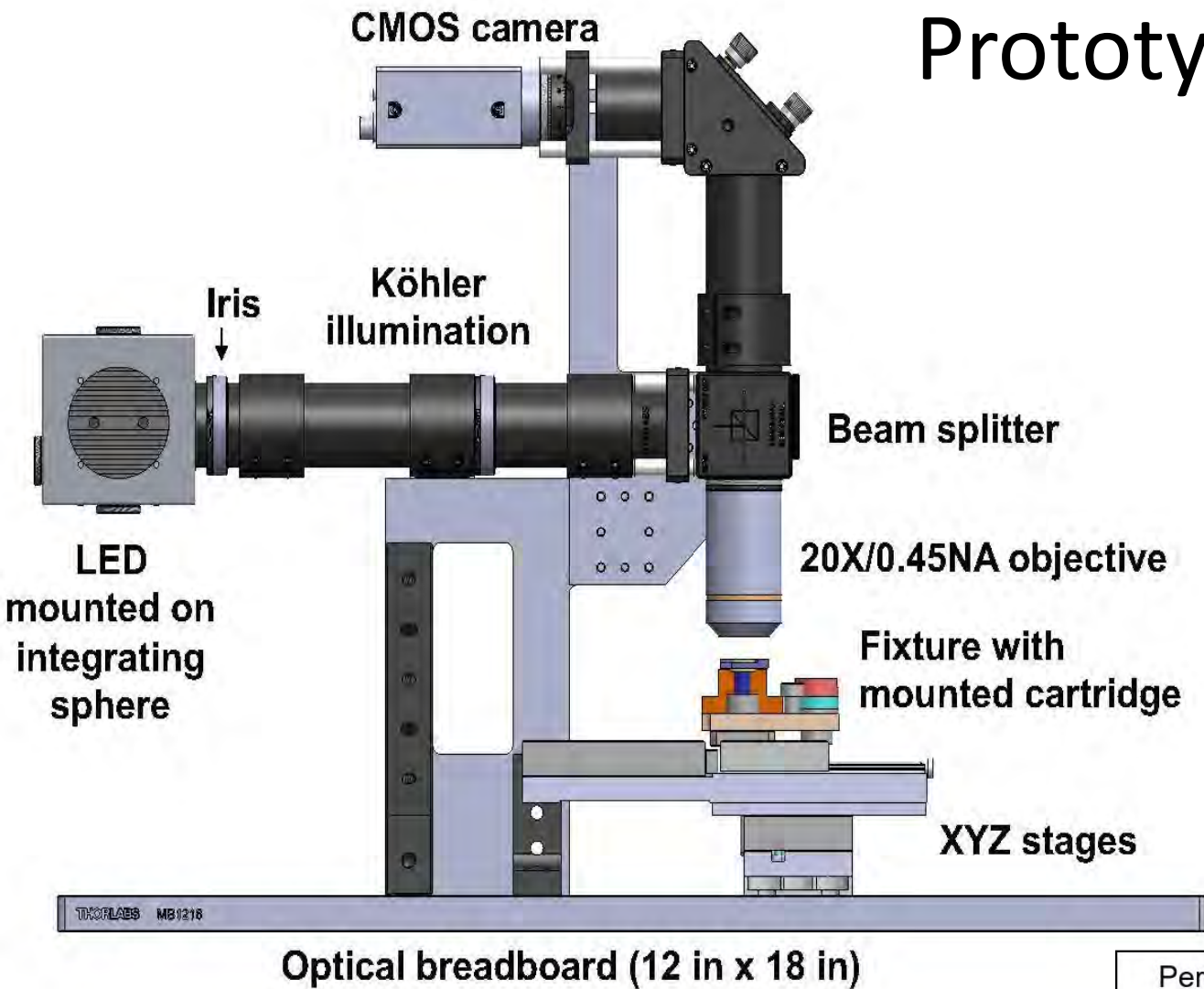
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Prototype Instrument



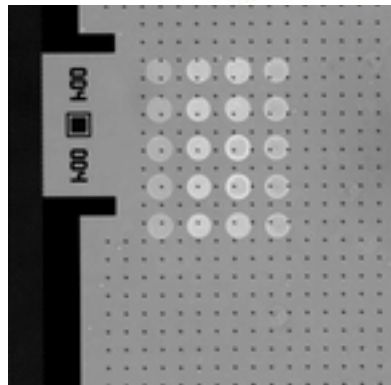
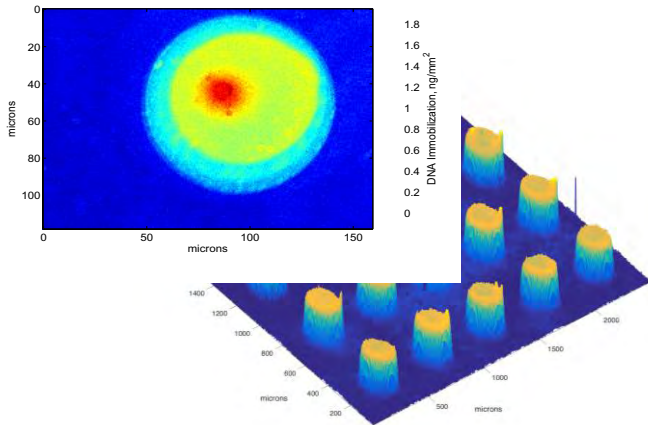
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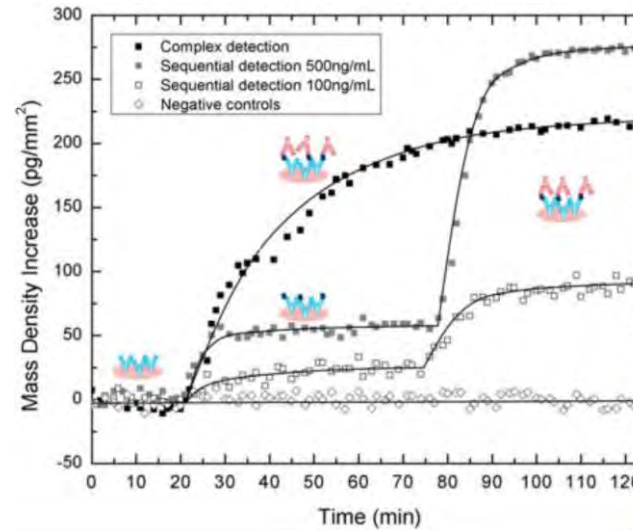
Off-the-shelf components
Parts cost (BOM) under \$10K

IRIS – a versatile biosensing technology platform for microarrays

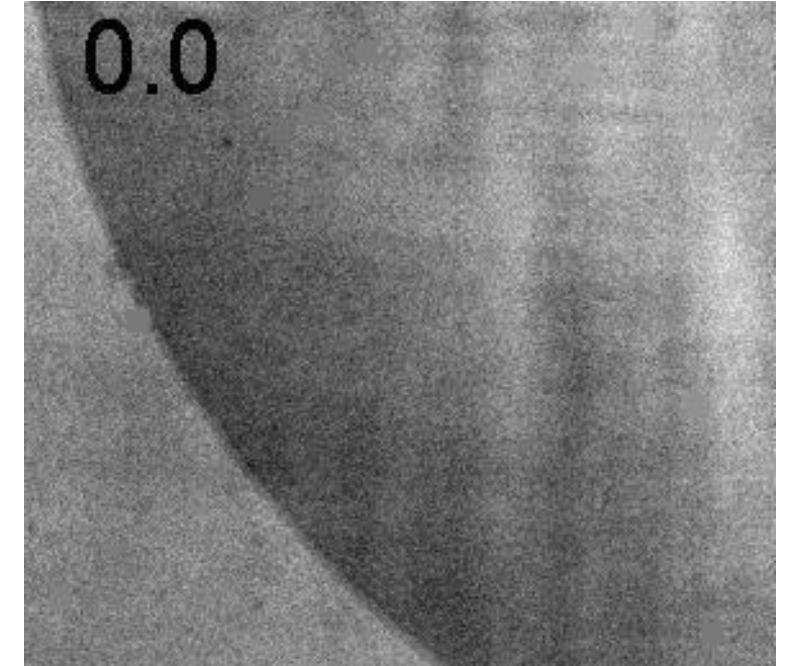
Quantitative / QC



Dynamic Measurements



Single virus/exosome

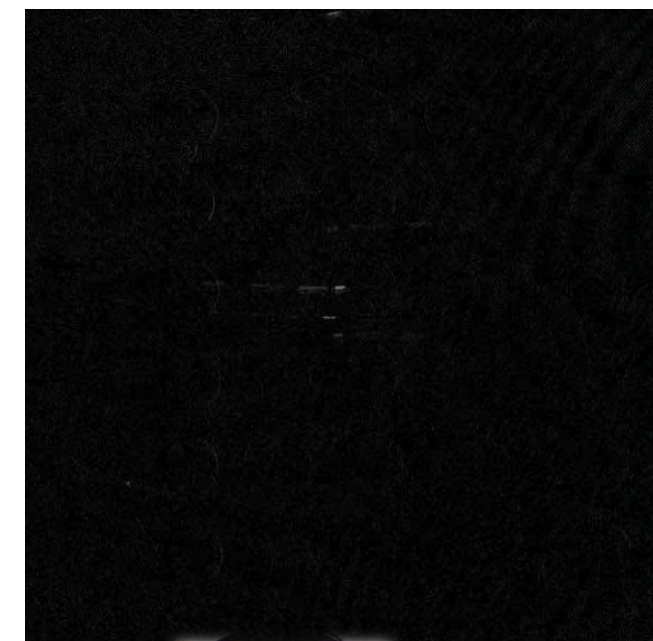
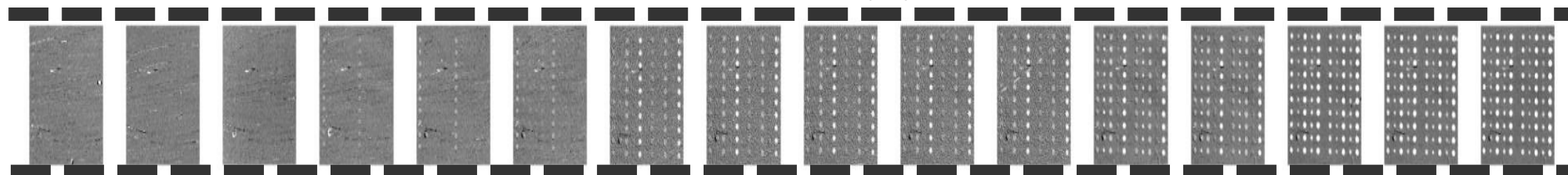
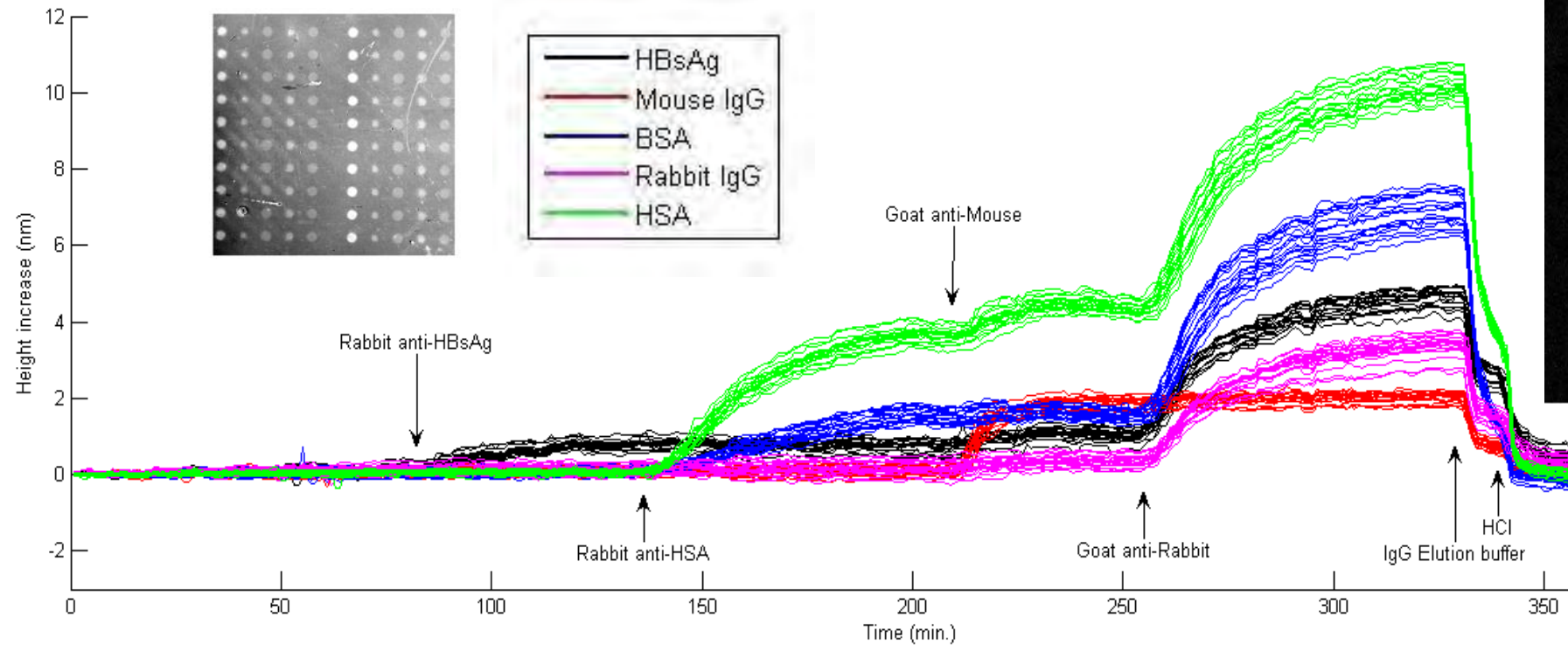


- decade long R&D
- various applications demonstrated.
 - From QC to single exosome/virus detection
 - pg/mm^2 sensitivity
 - Single biological nanoparticle detection and characterization
 - attoM sensitivity for protein and nucleic acid detection

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Dynamic - Quantitative Microarrays



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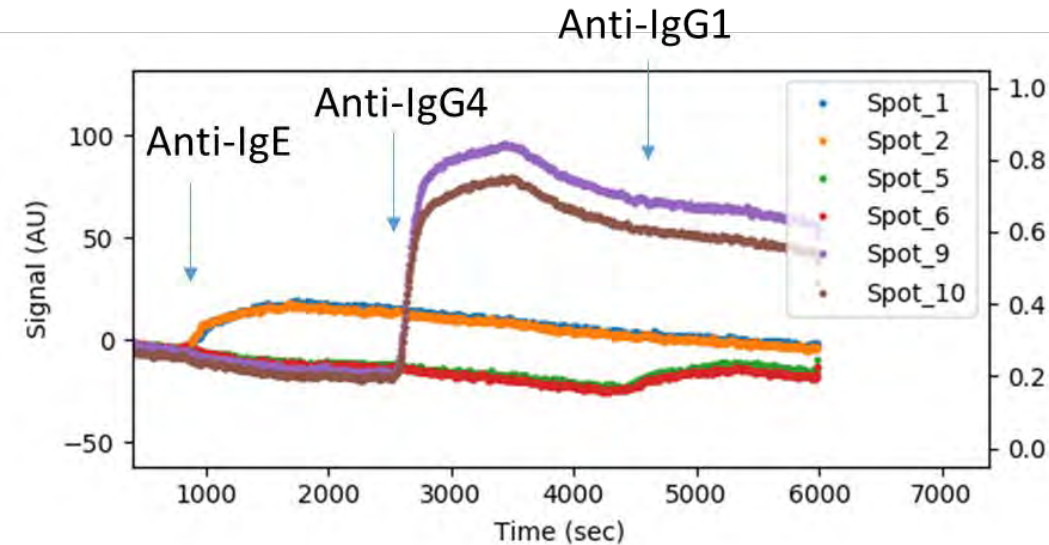
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Ozkumur et al, "Label-free and dynamic detection of biomolecular interactions for high-throughput microarray applications," *PNAS*, 2008



1. Molecular binding

Kinetic Measurements



- Multiplexed (100s to 1000s of probes)
- Quantitative
- Glass surface
- Inexpensive instrumentation and disposables
- ng/ml target sensitivity
- ~kDa molecular weight

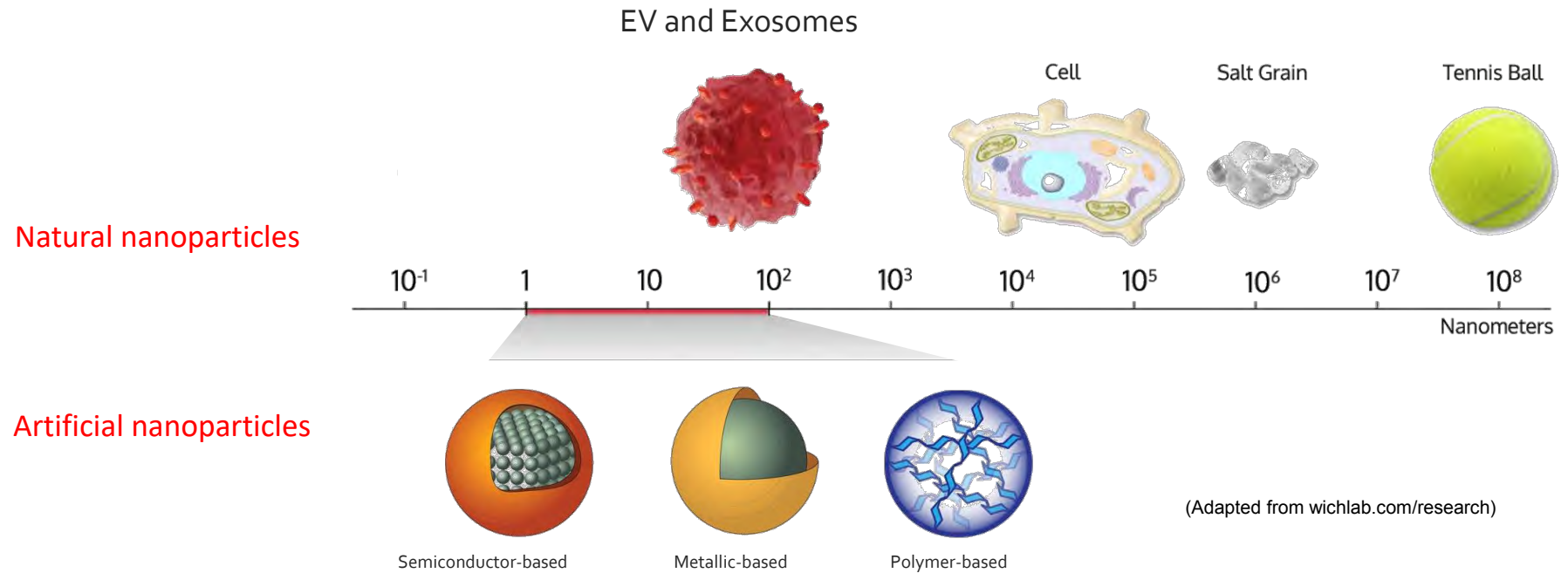


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Motivation - Nanoparticles



Artificial nanoparticles

- Optically & physically engineered
- Used as labels or vehicles in diagnostics, therapeutic applications
- Gold, polystyrene NPs, QDs

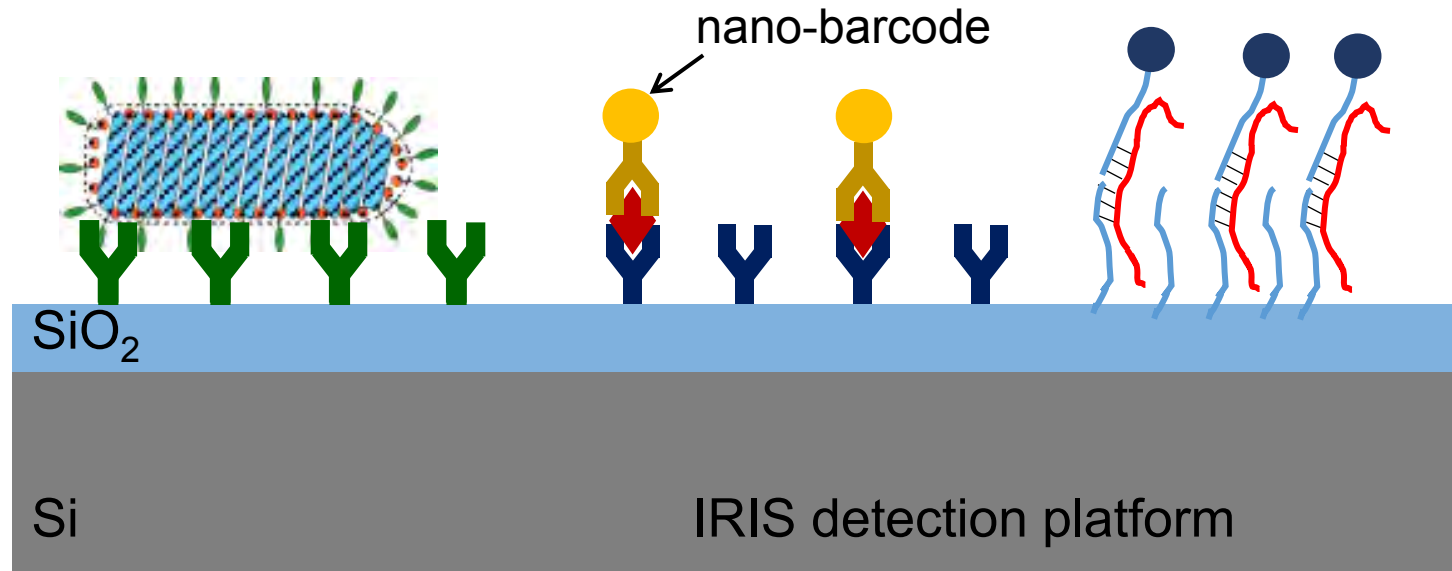
Natural nanoparticles

- Low-index, complex-shaped
- Hard to detect without labels
- *Virus* – infectious diseases and cancer
- *Exosome* – secreted from cancer cells

Single Particle - IRIS : Digital Detection

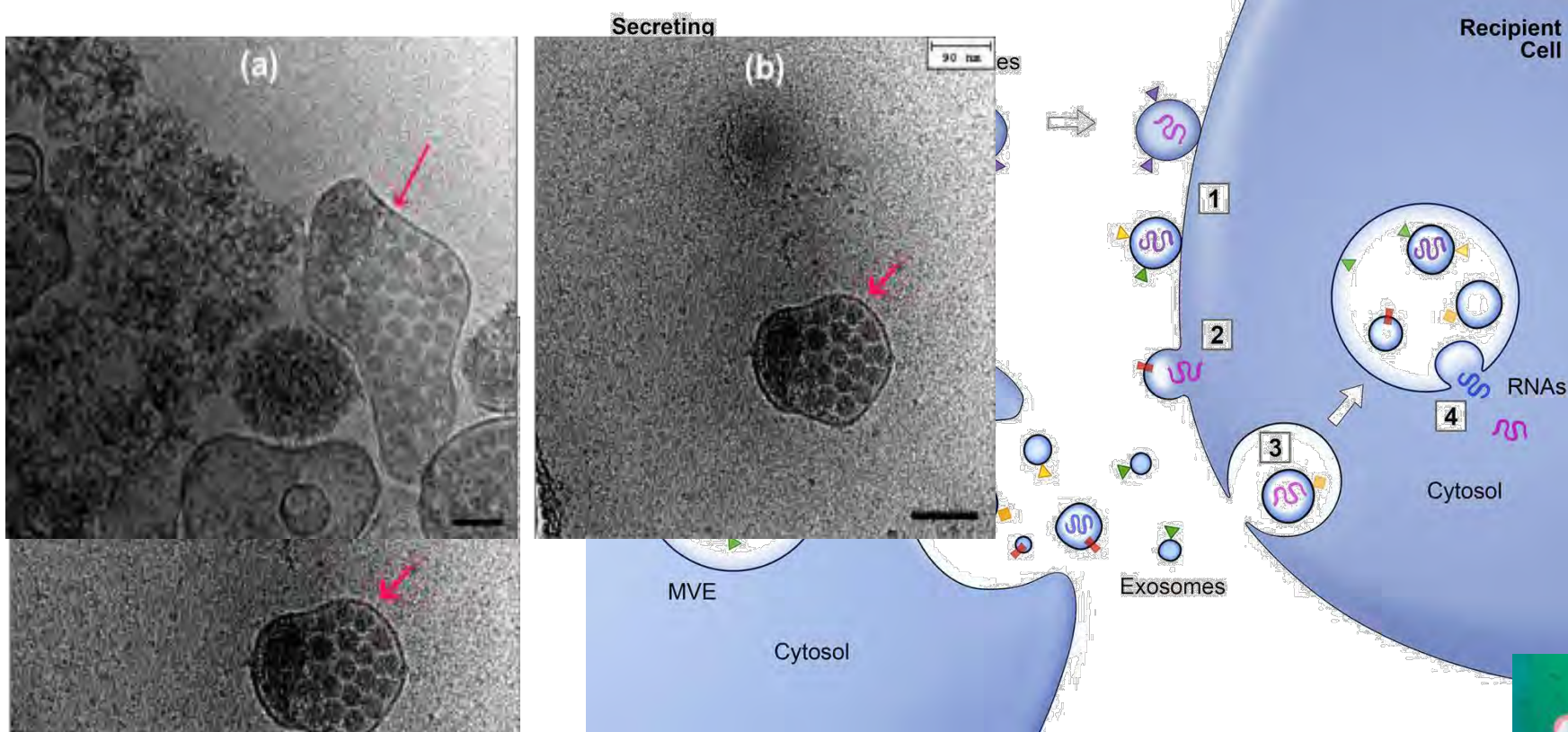
Single Virus Detection
(label -free)

Single Molecule Detection of Antigen
proteins and DNA/RNA



- Label Free direct sensing of individual viruses
- Digital Detection: Single molecule level detection of Nucleic Acids and Proteins
- ULTIMATE BIODETECTION PLATFORM?

Extra cellular vesicles, exosomes, and viruses



SEM image of Ebola virion



Example cryo-EM images of infectious extracellular vesicle (Bullitt Lab – BU MED)

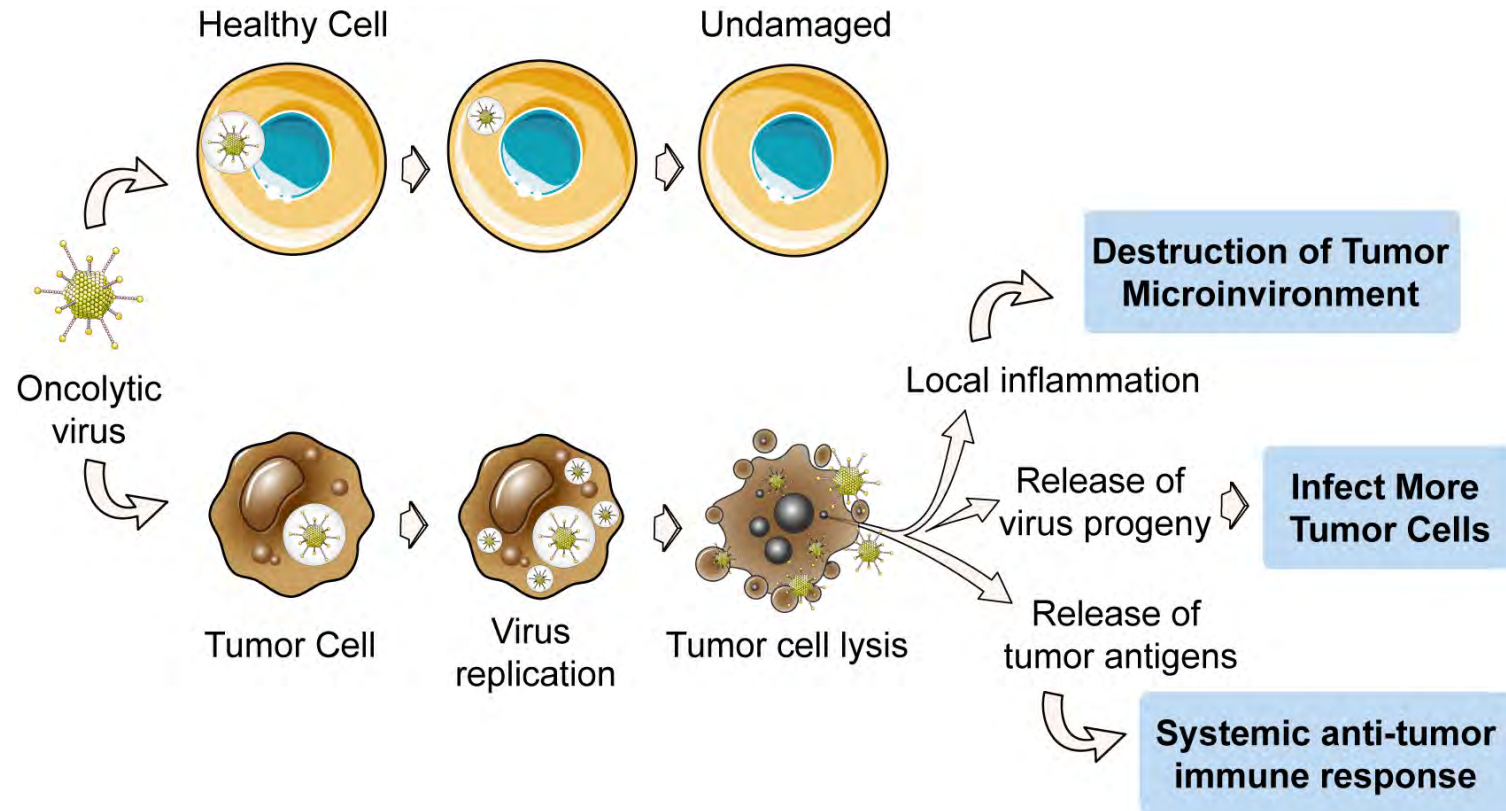
Viruses are the most abundant species on earth.
>10³¹ phages in the biosphere
~10⁷ viruses on average in a mL of seawater

Compare to ~10²³ stars in the known universe



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Example: Engineered viruses for cancer therapy



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Optical microscopy can see small - but ...

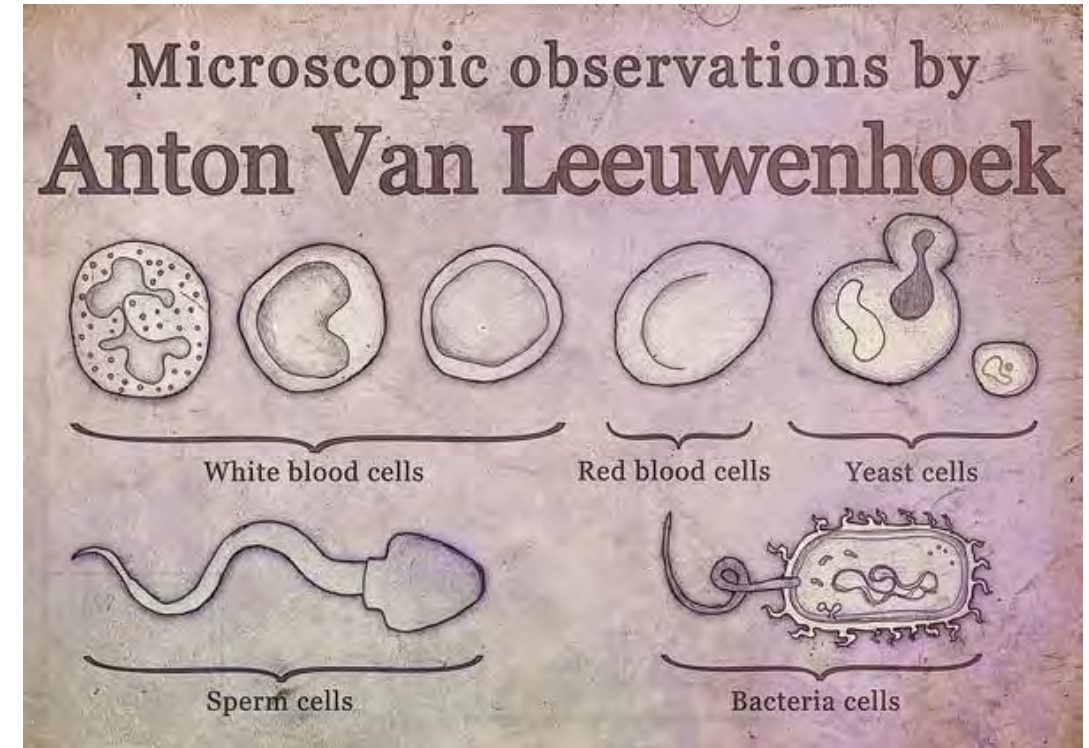
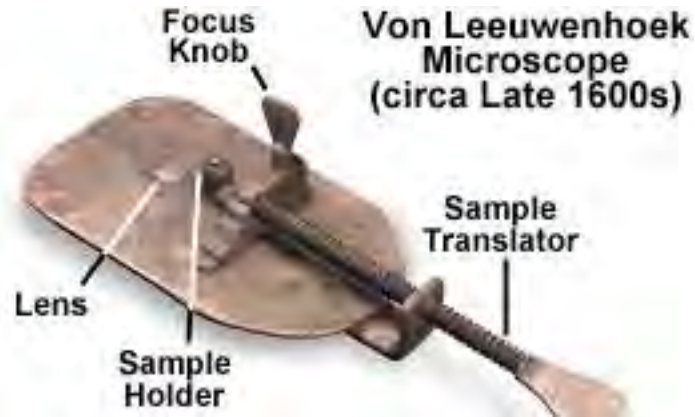


Figure 1

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Nanoparticle Detection and Sizing

Why difficult and how we make it easy

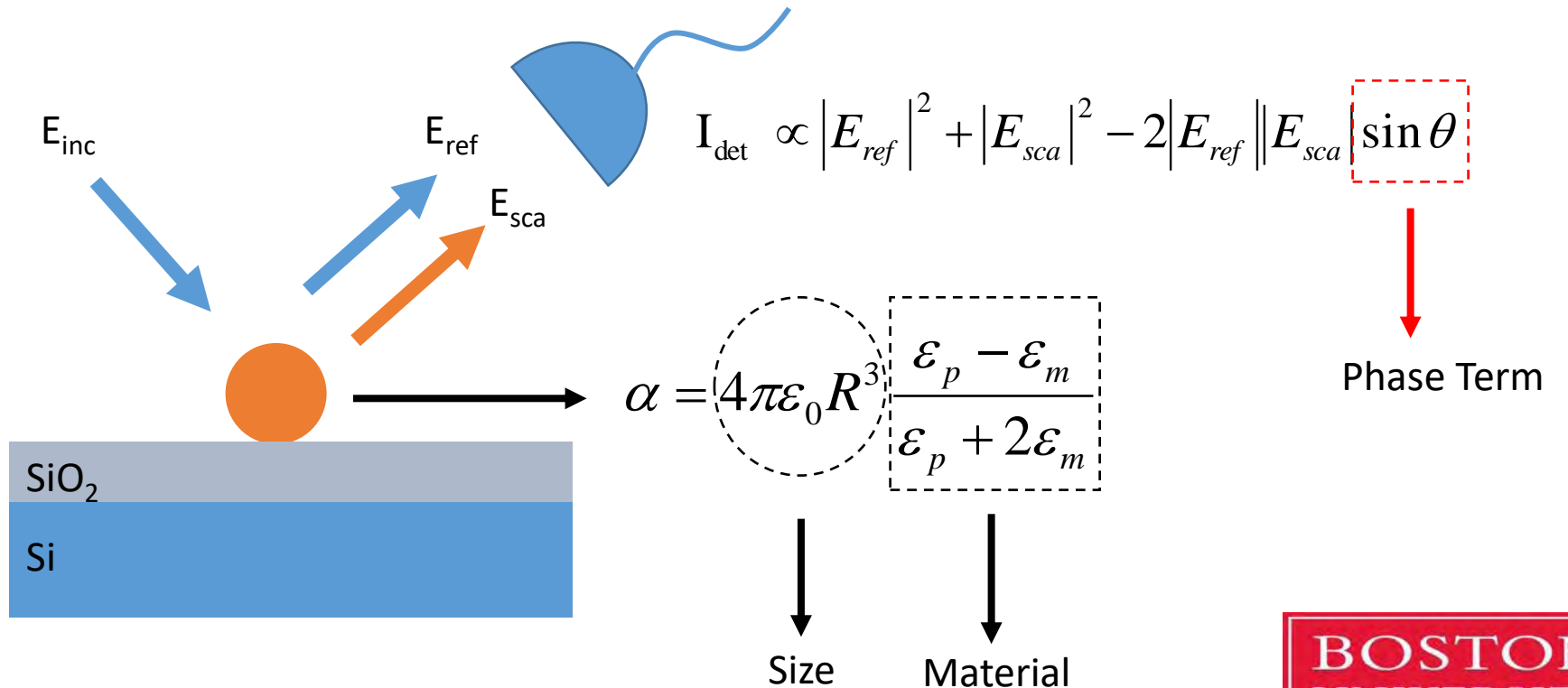
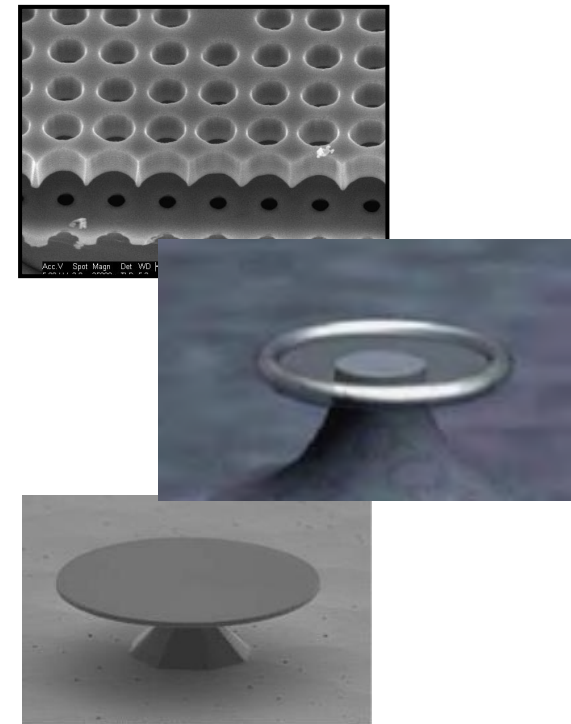
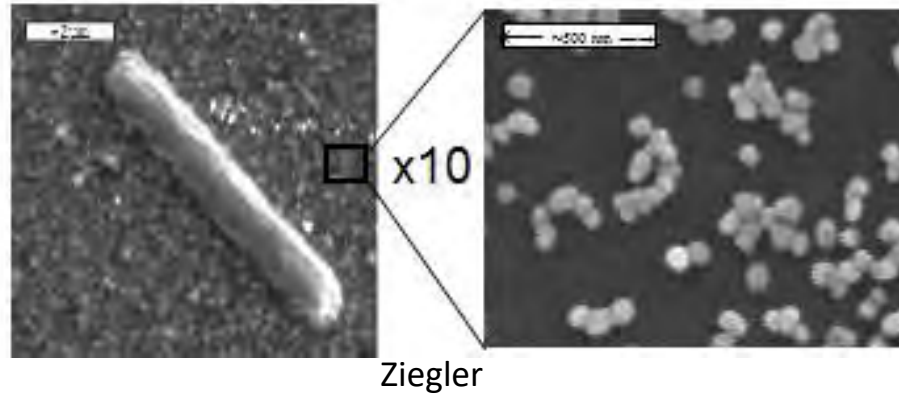
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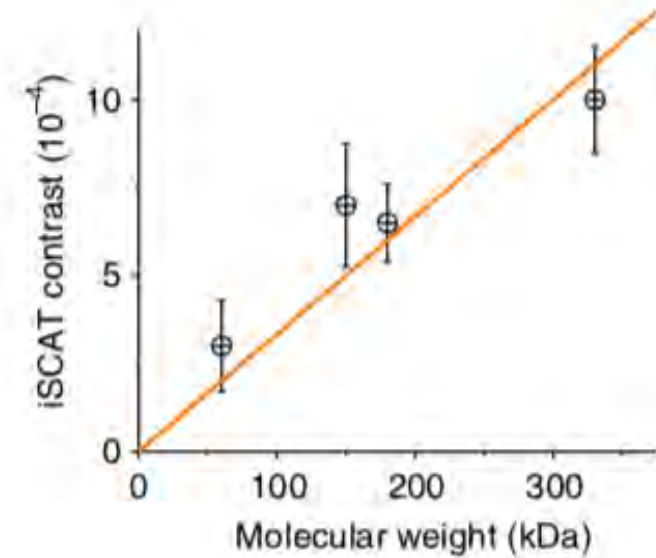
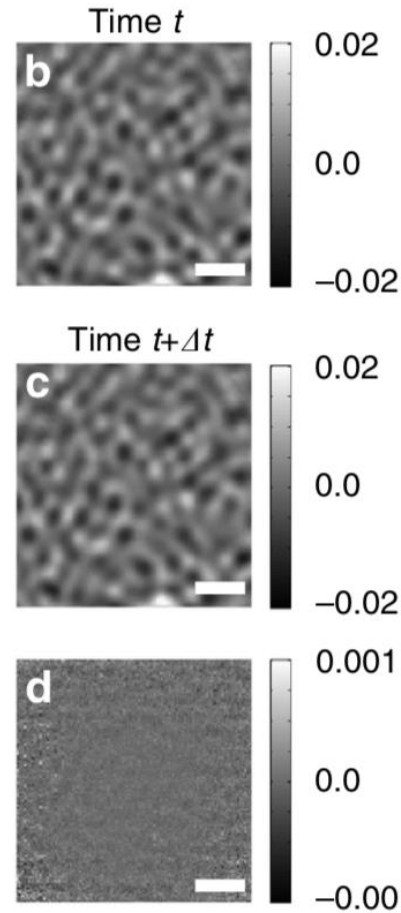
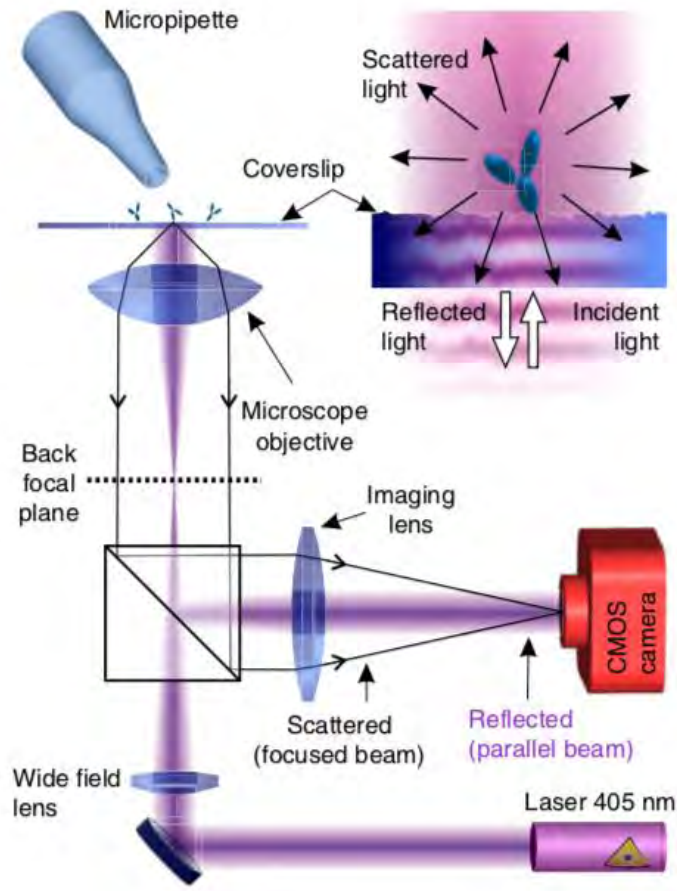
Toroids/Disks/Spheres

High Q / Small interaction volume

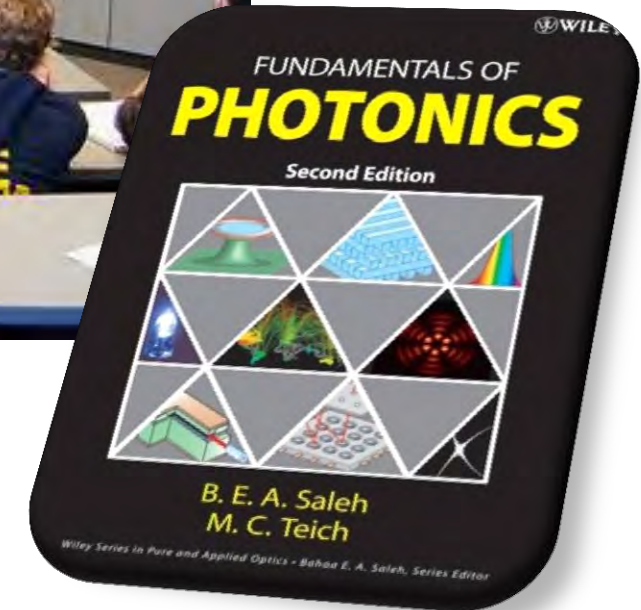
Evanescent optical field



Interferometric measurements of single molecules



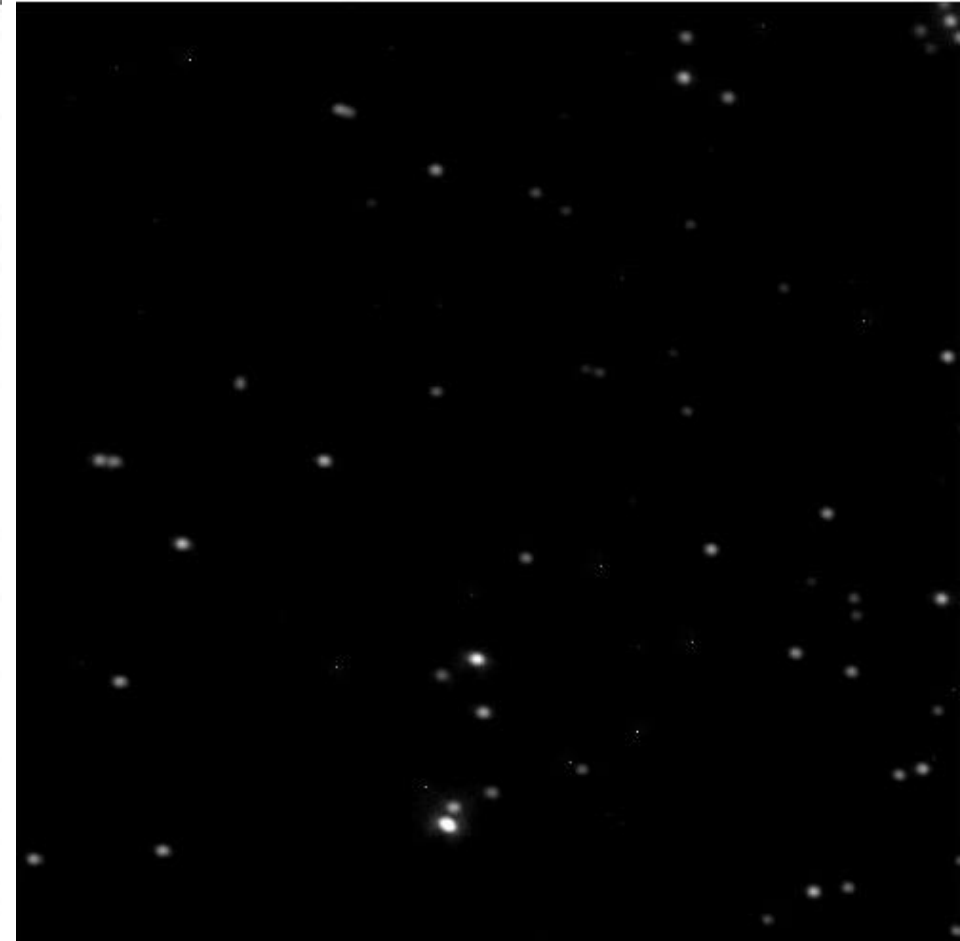
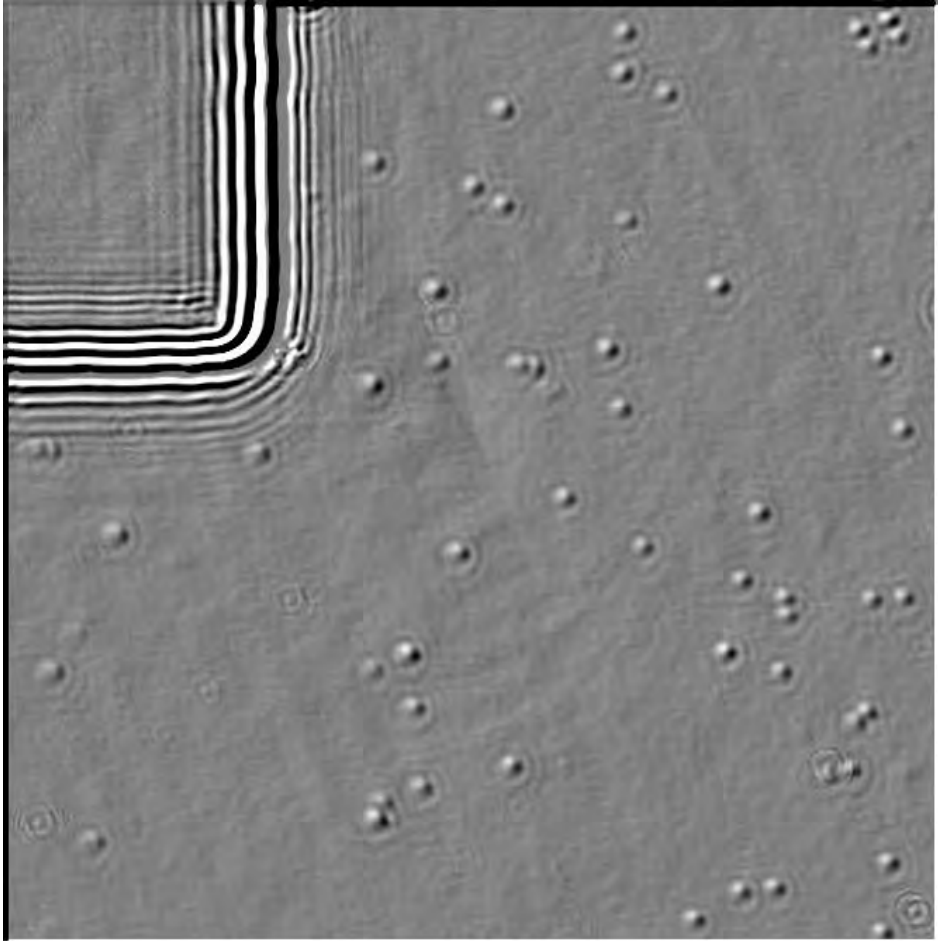
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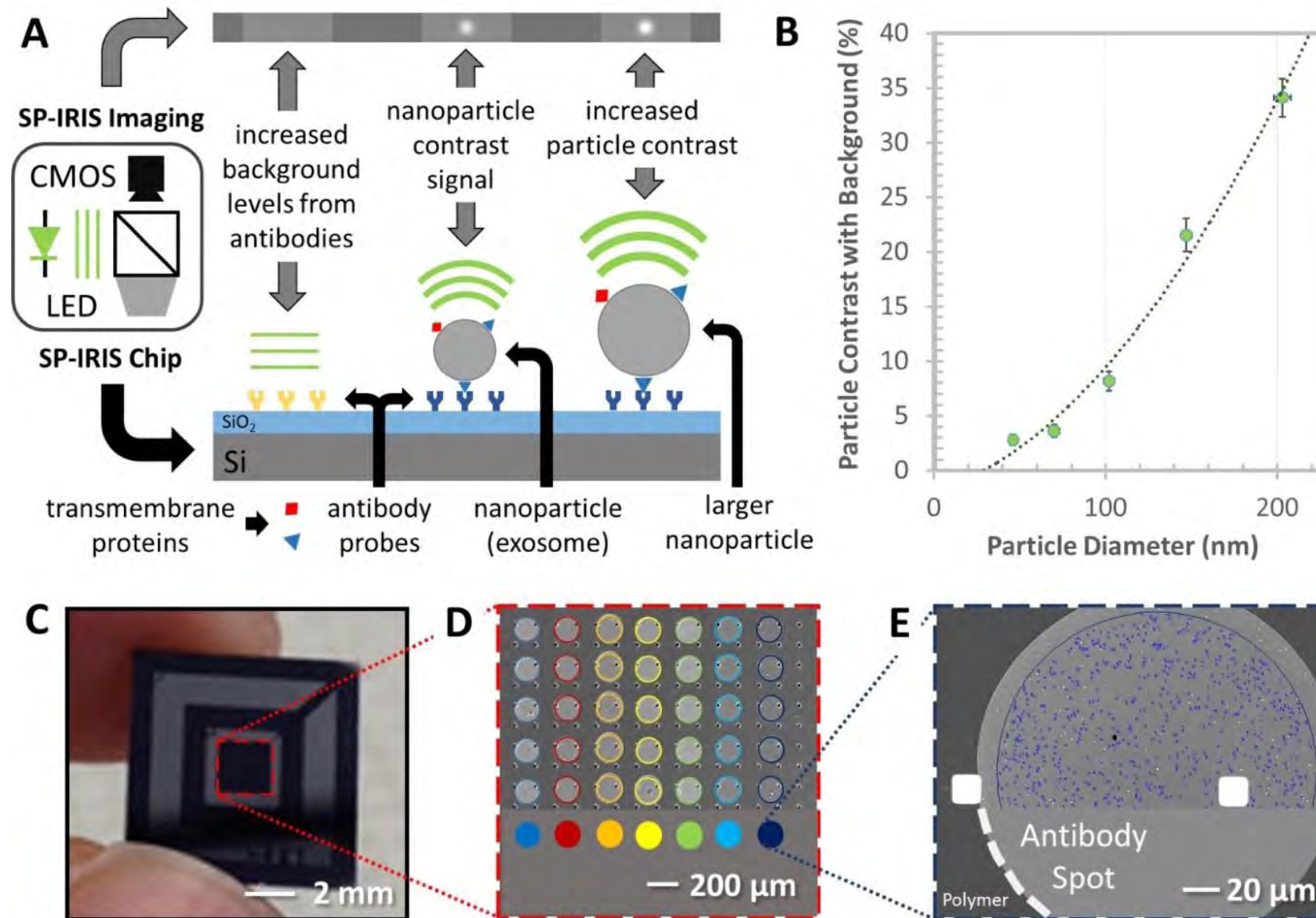
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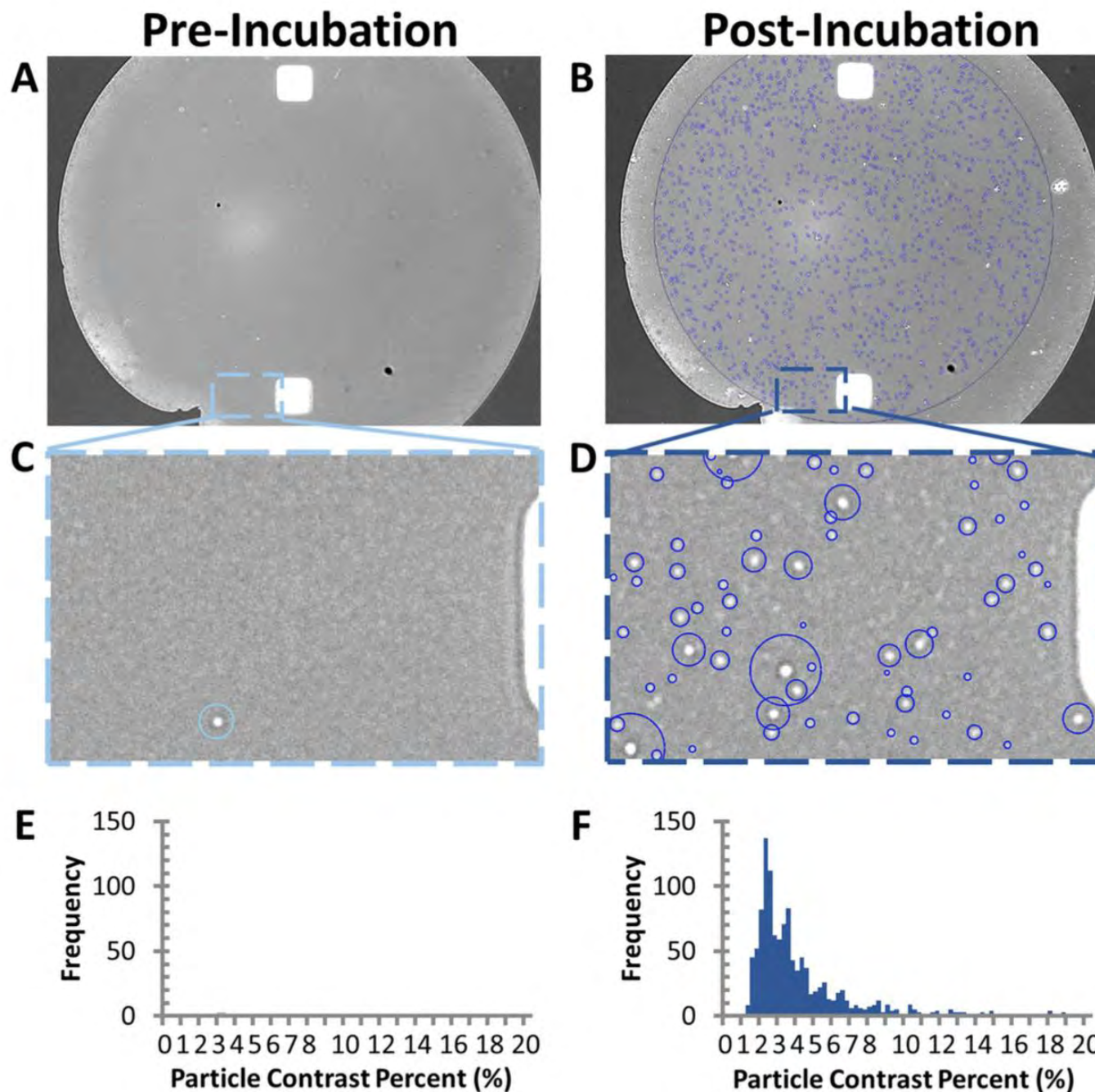
Simple Particle Detection

Fluorescent 100nm Carboxyl modified beads immobilized on Lysine surface.
Incubation time 15min



SP - IRIS – a simple, compact Nano particle sensor





Exosome detection

Anti-CD81 capture probe image acquired before and after incubation with purified HEK293 cells derived exosomes.

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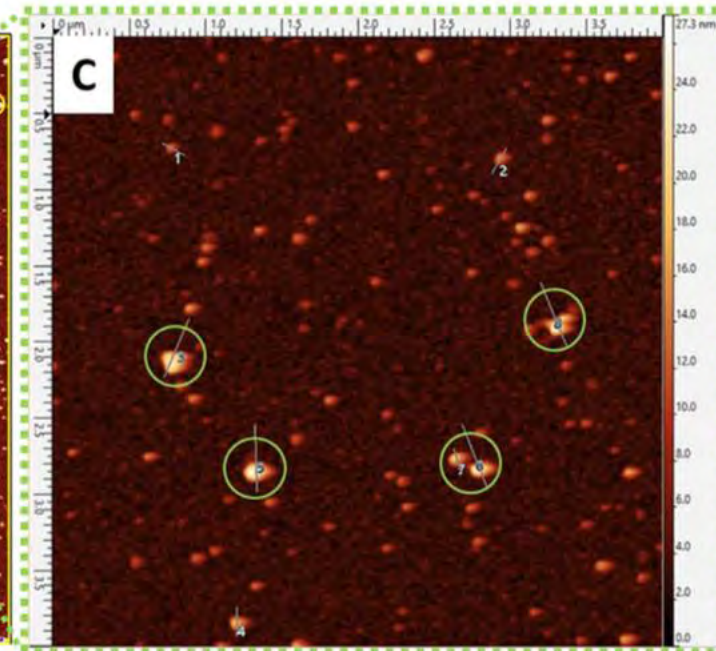
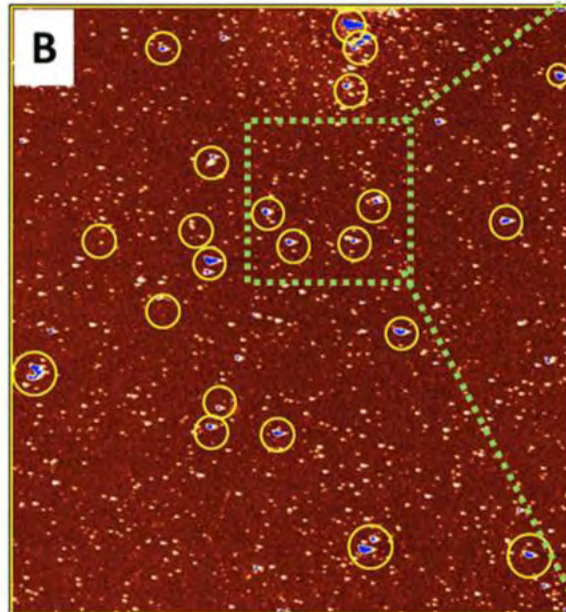
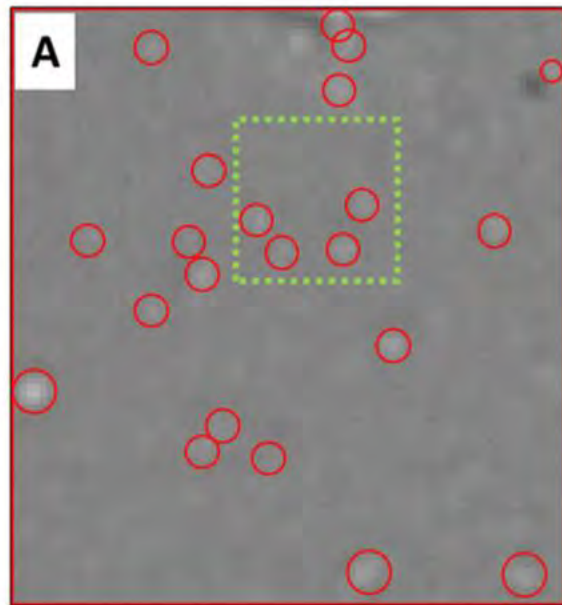
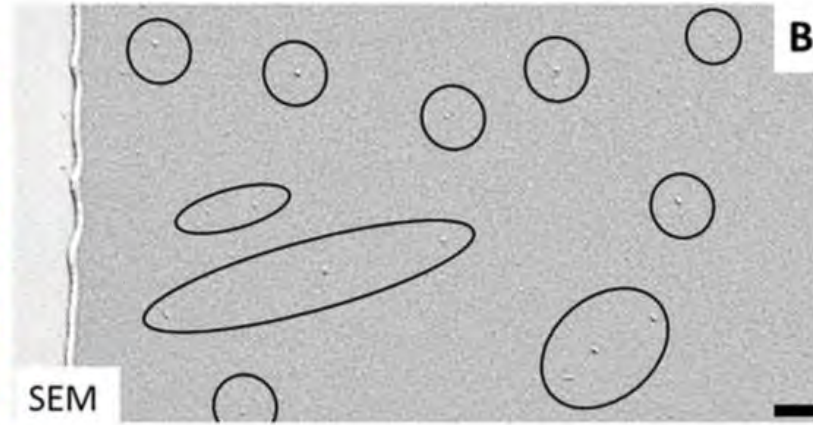
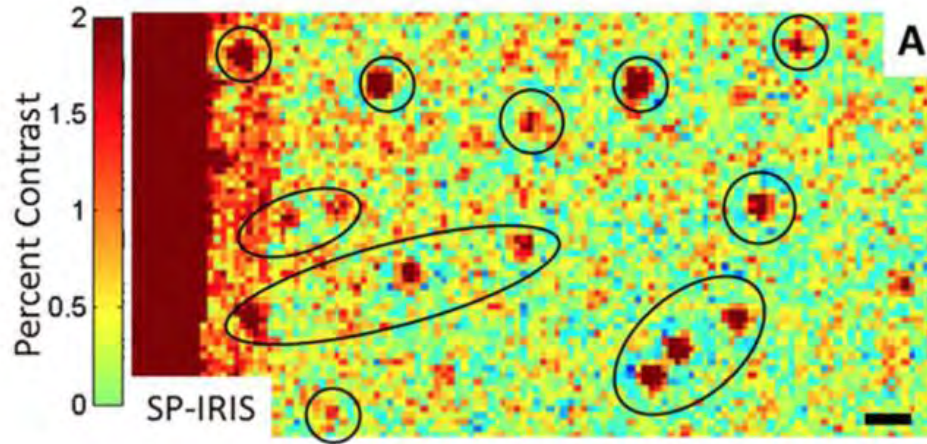
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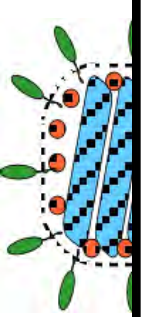
Digital Detection of Exosomes by Interferometric Imaging

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Received: 20 June 2016

Verification by SEM and AFM – down to $r=30\text{nm}$ dry





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OBESITY:
300,000
DEATHS PER YEAR

TOBACCO:
450,000
DEATHS PER YEAR

ALCOHOL:
88,000
DEATHS PER YEAR



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virons

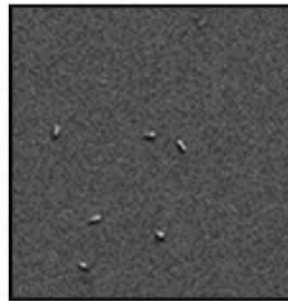
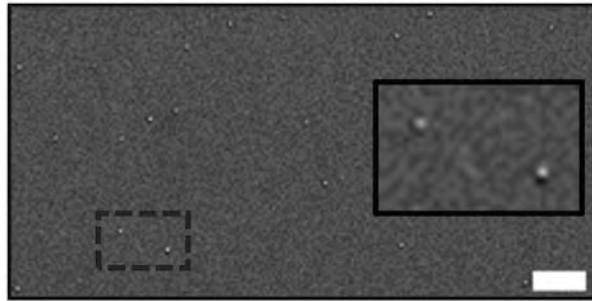
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Various viruses

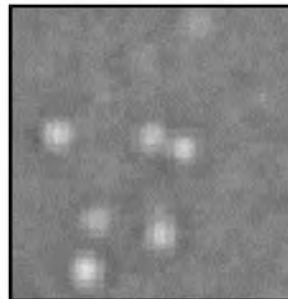
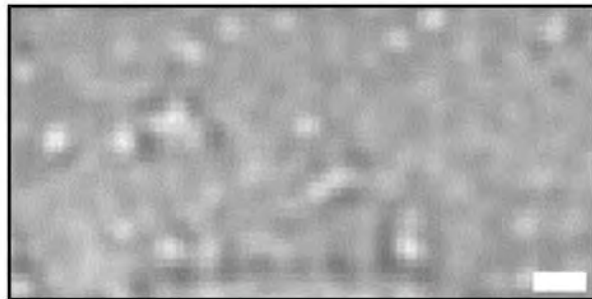
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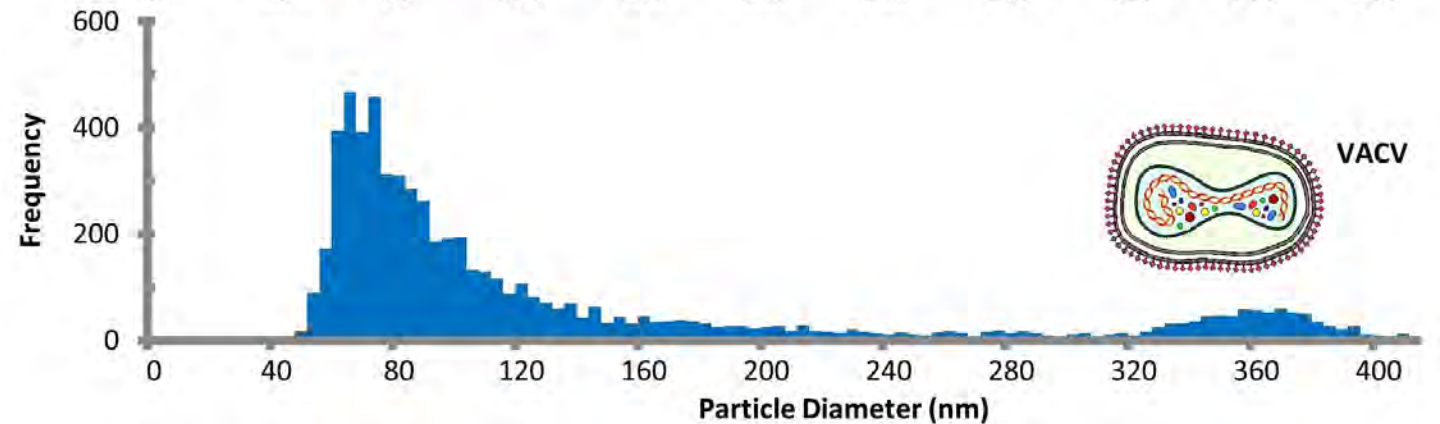
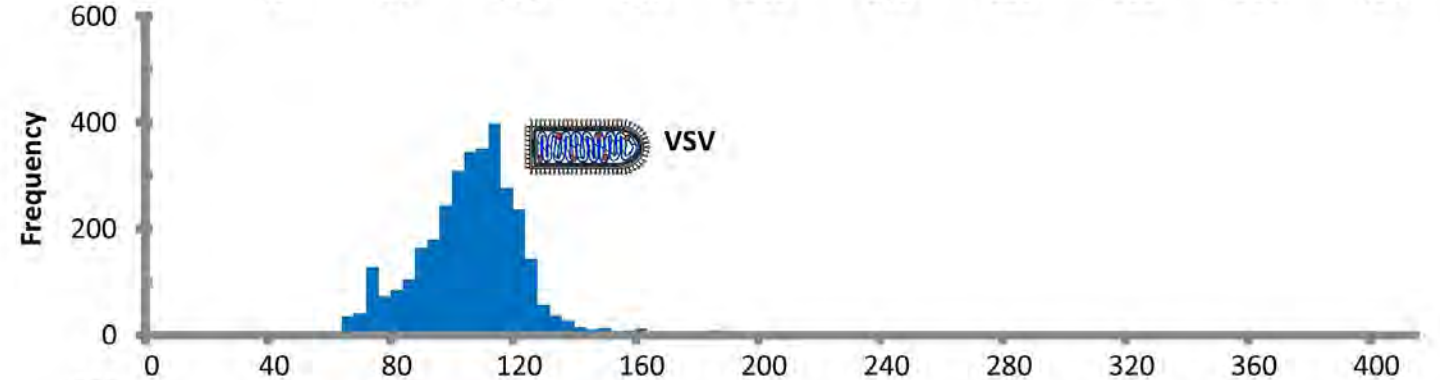
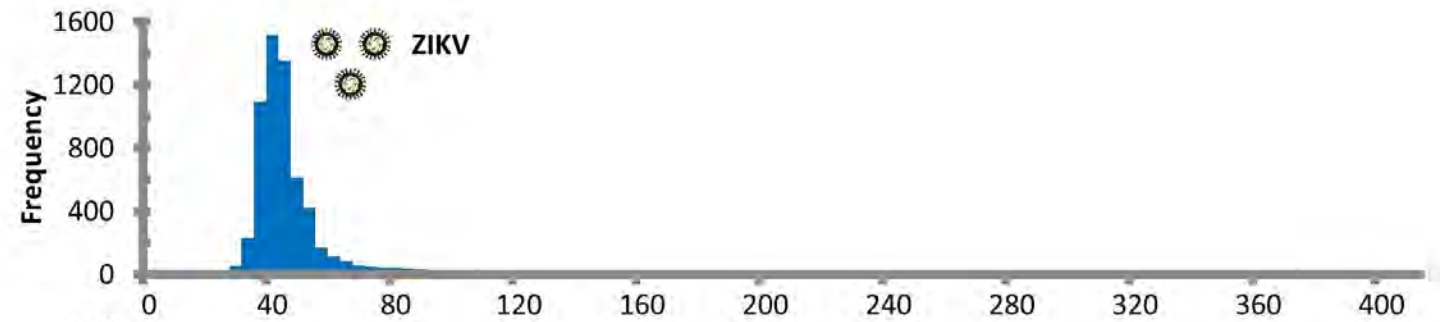
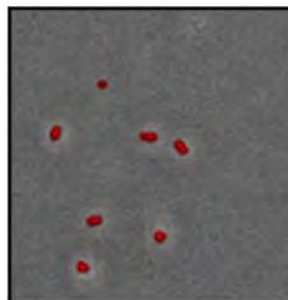
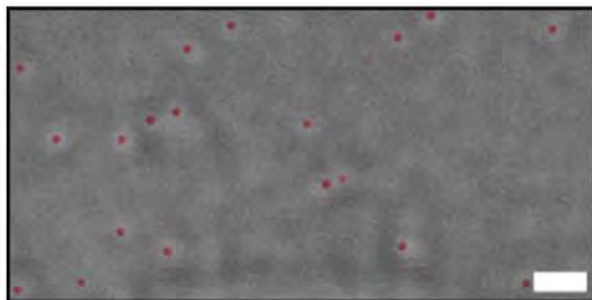
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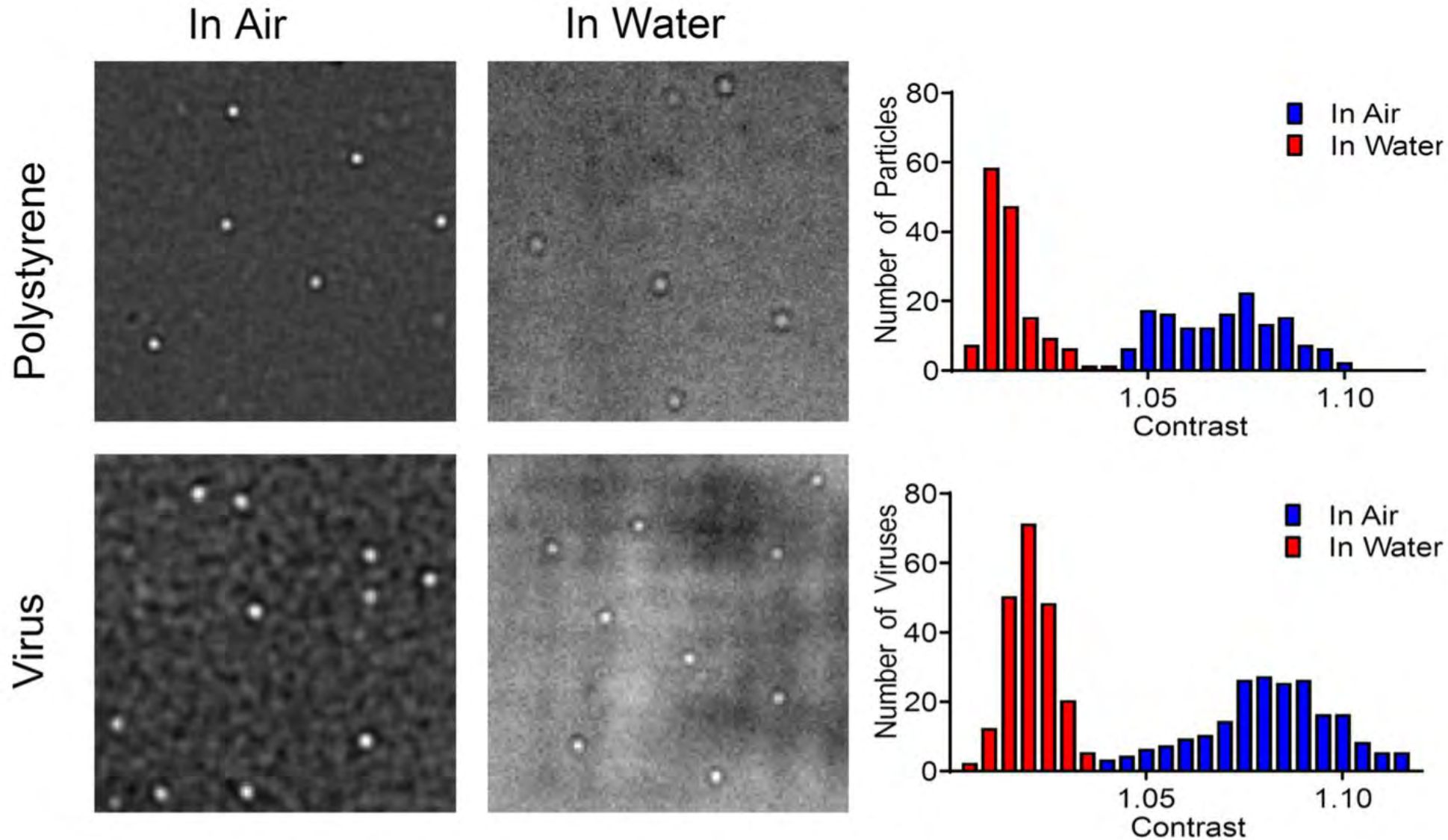
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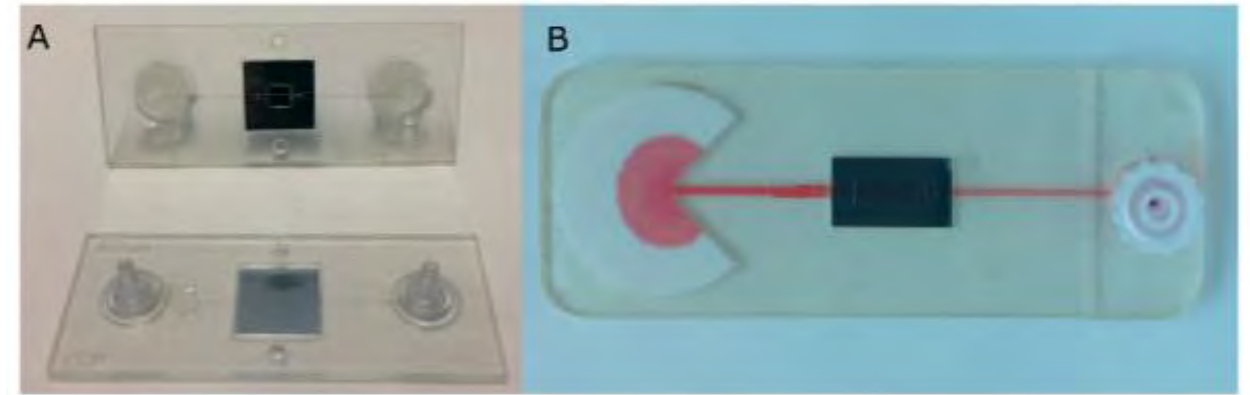
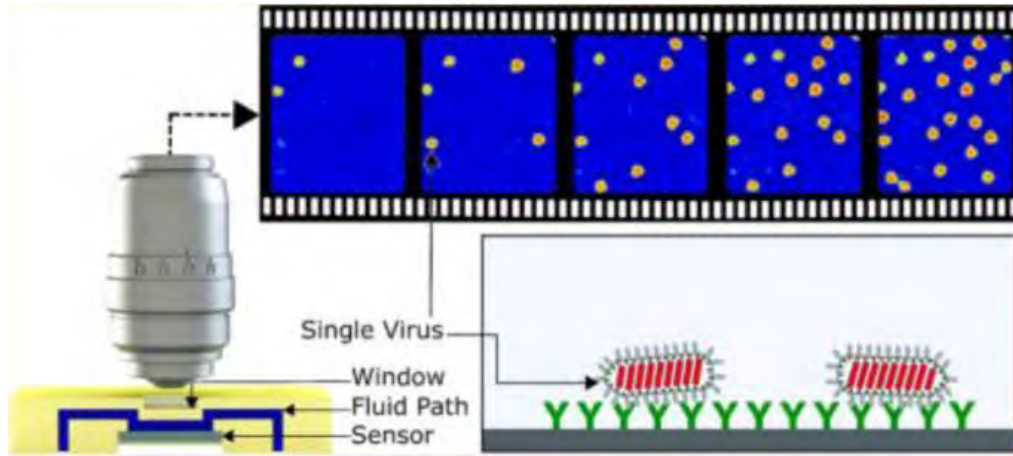
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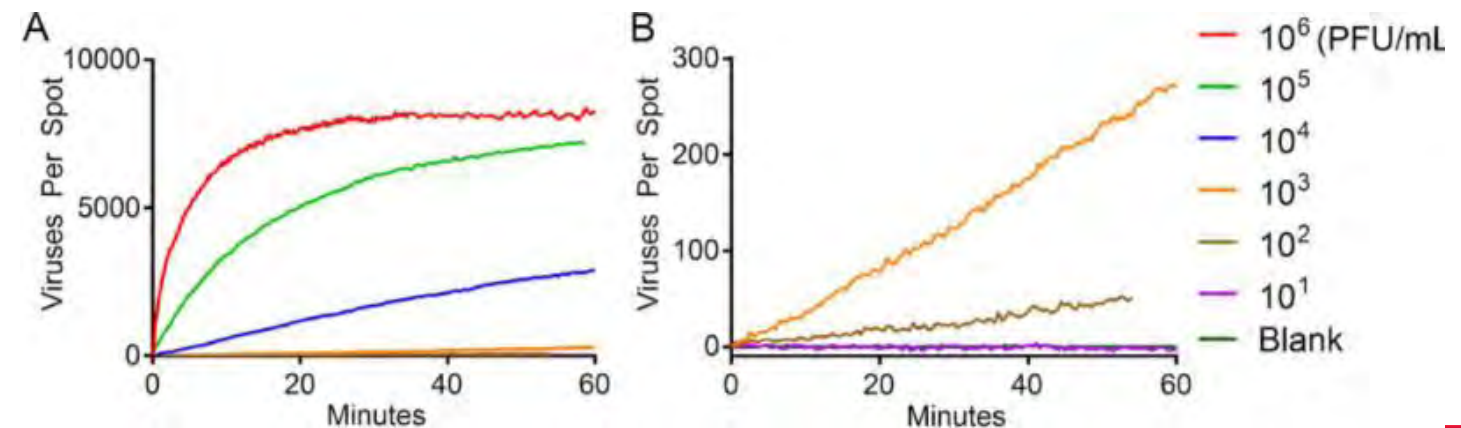
In-liquid detection to simplify the assay



Virus detection for diagnostic applications

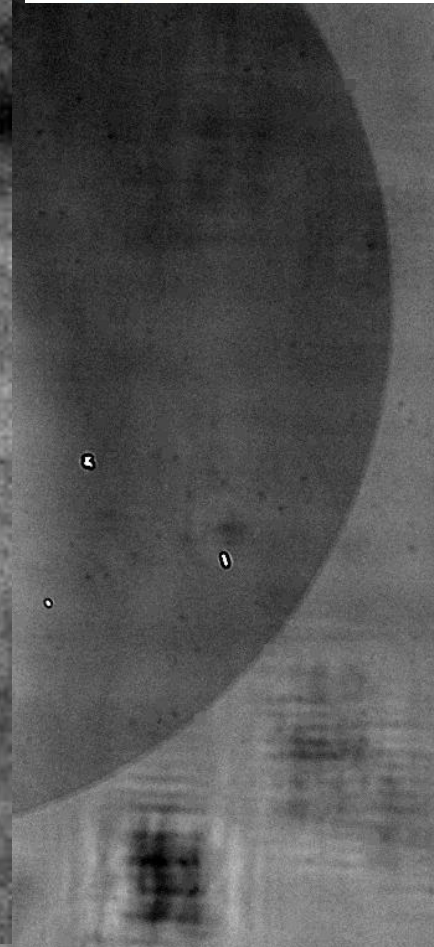
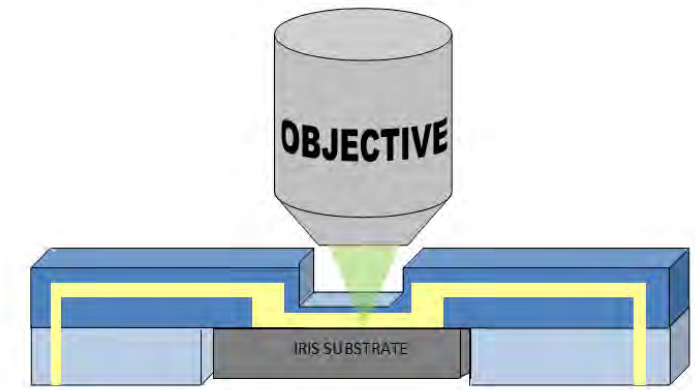
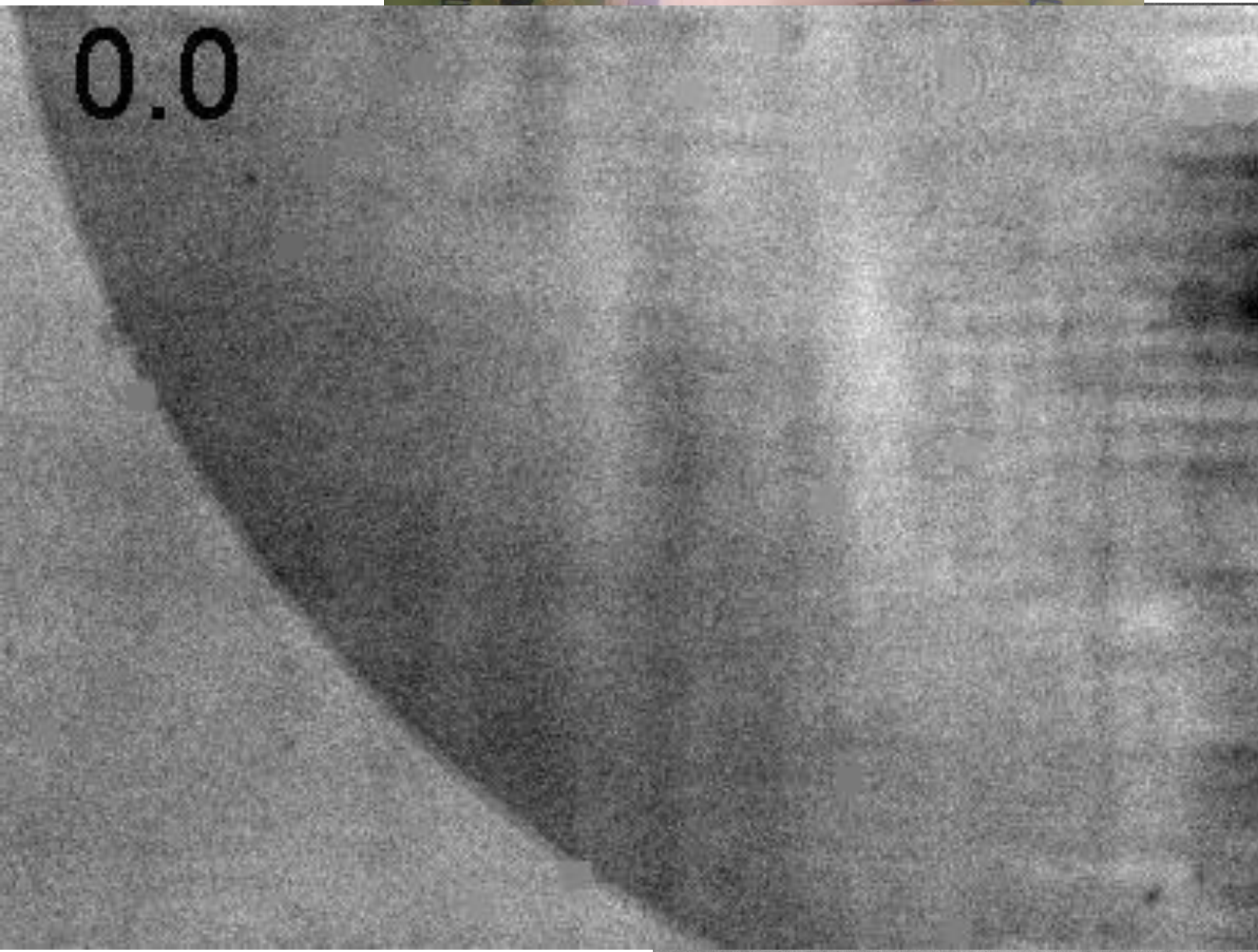


Highly-sensitive virus detection directly from blood serum



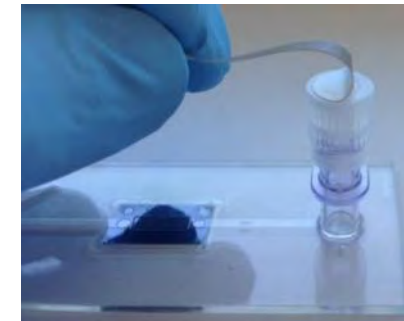
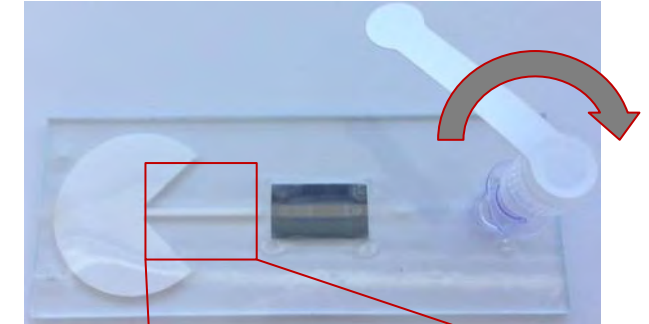
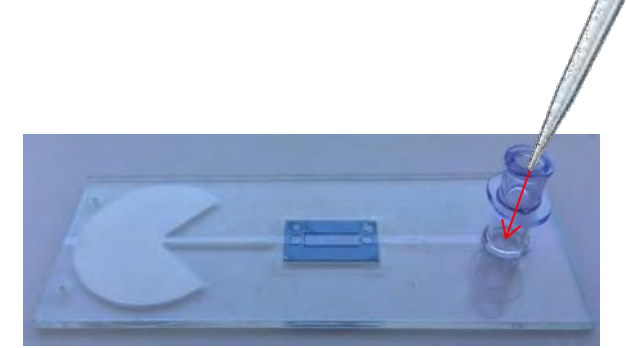
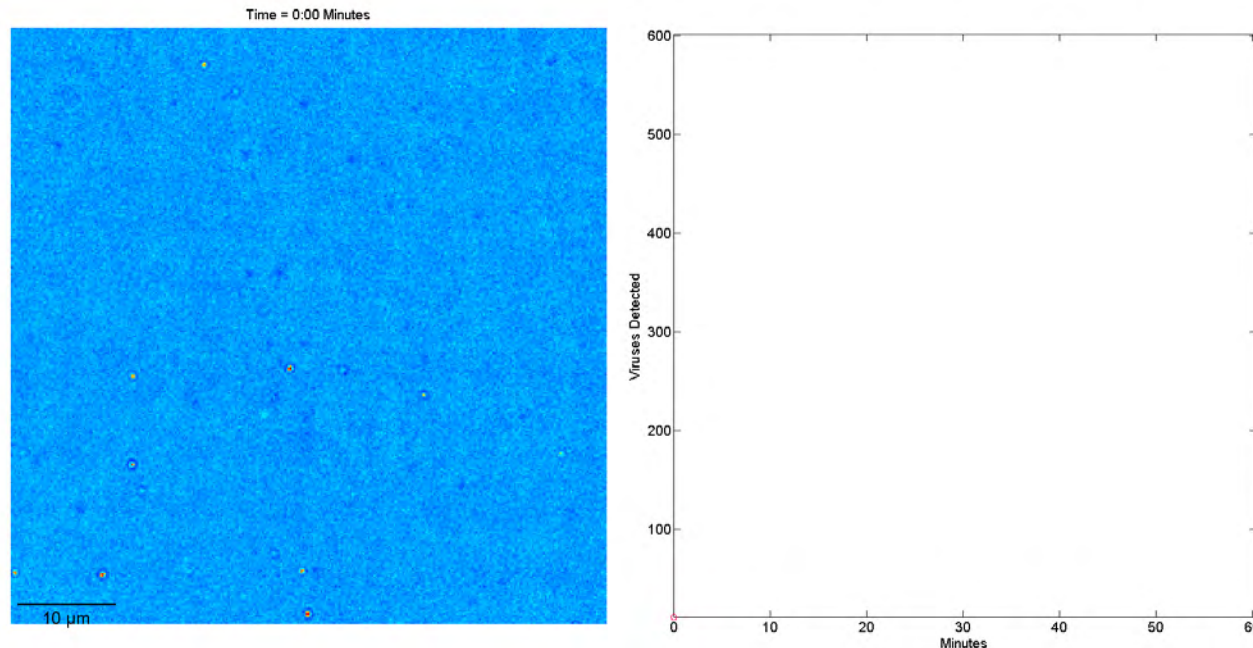
Scherr et al, *ACS nano* 10 (2016) and Scherr et al, *Lab on a Chip* 17 (2017)

Real-Time in-liquid Virus Detection



Passive Cartridge - Simple Workflow

1. Remove cartridge from package just prior to use
2. 100 μ L of sample is pipetted into the bottom of the reservoir (*care needs to be taken not to introduce bubbles)
3. Luer cap (sealed with adhesive strip) is screwed down finger tight
4. When liquid reaches the pad, the luer cap is vented (adhesive strip removed)
5. Cartridge is placed in the instrument to begin acquiring data





Lab on a Chip

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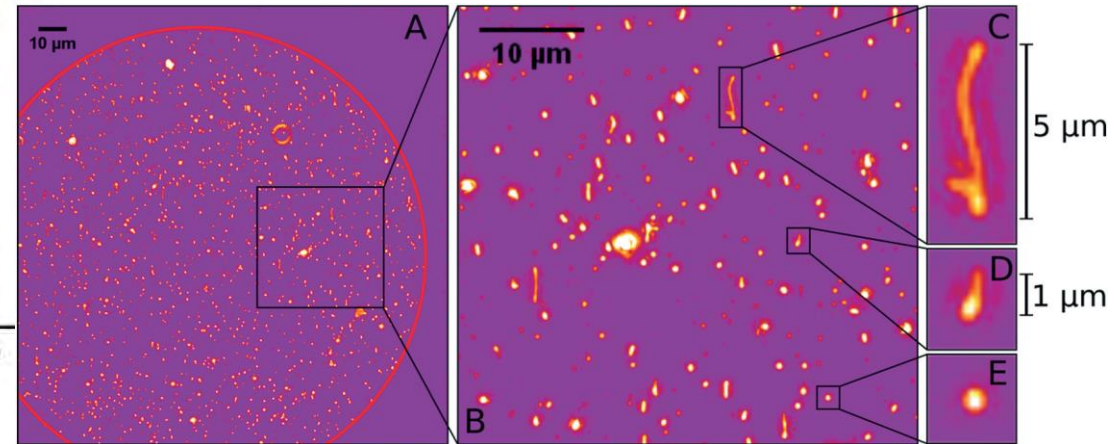
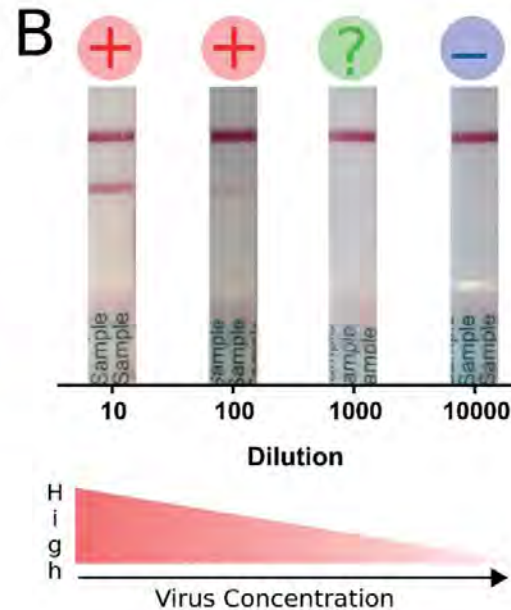
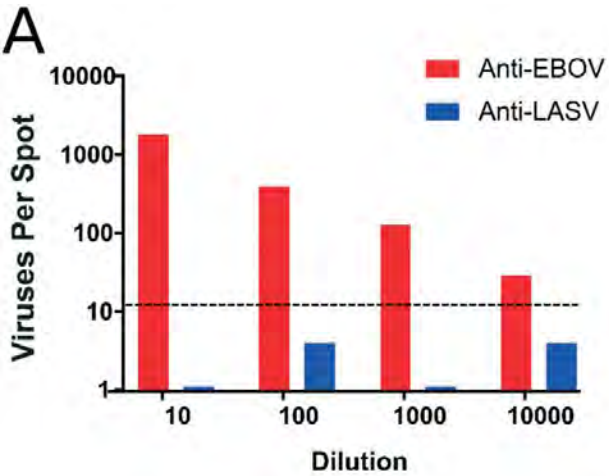
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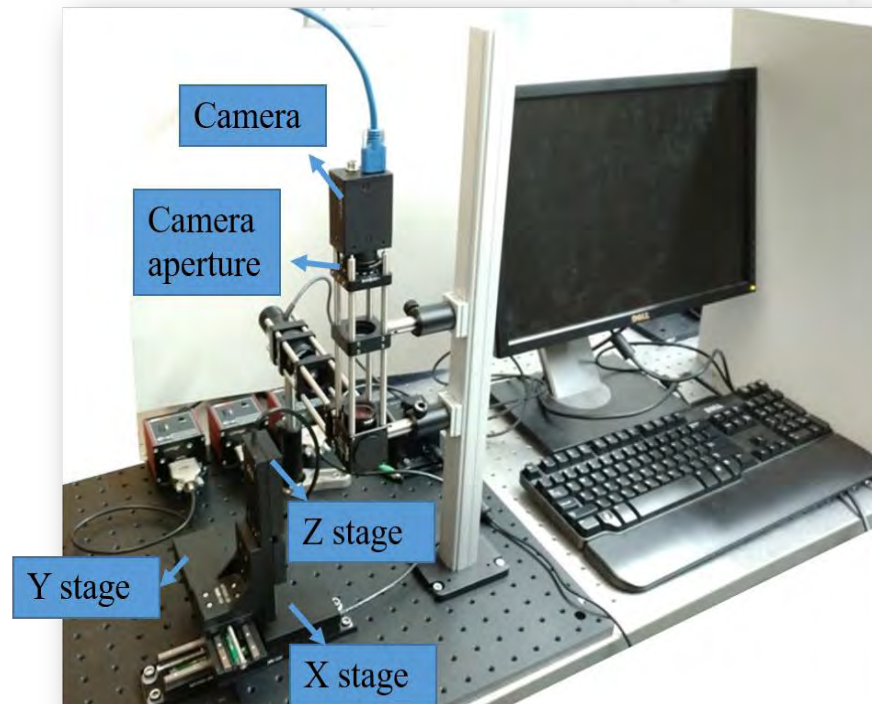
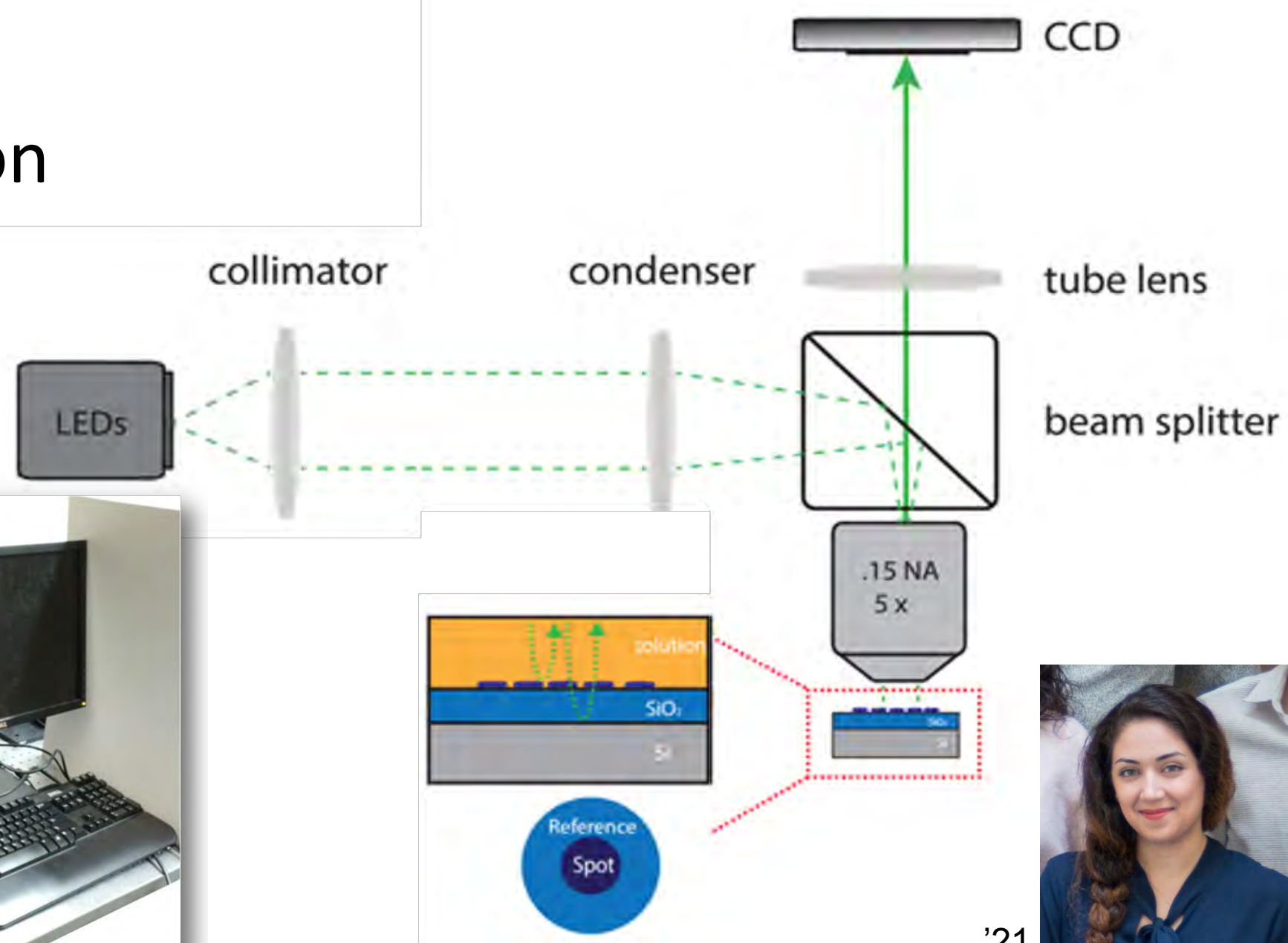
Disposable cartridge platform for rapid detection of viral hemorrhagic fever viruses†

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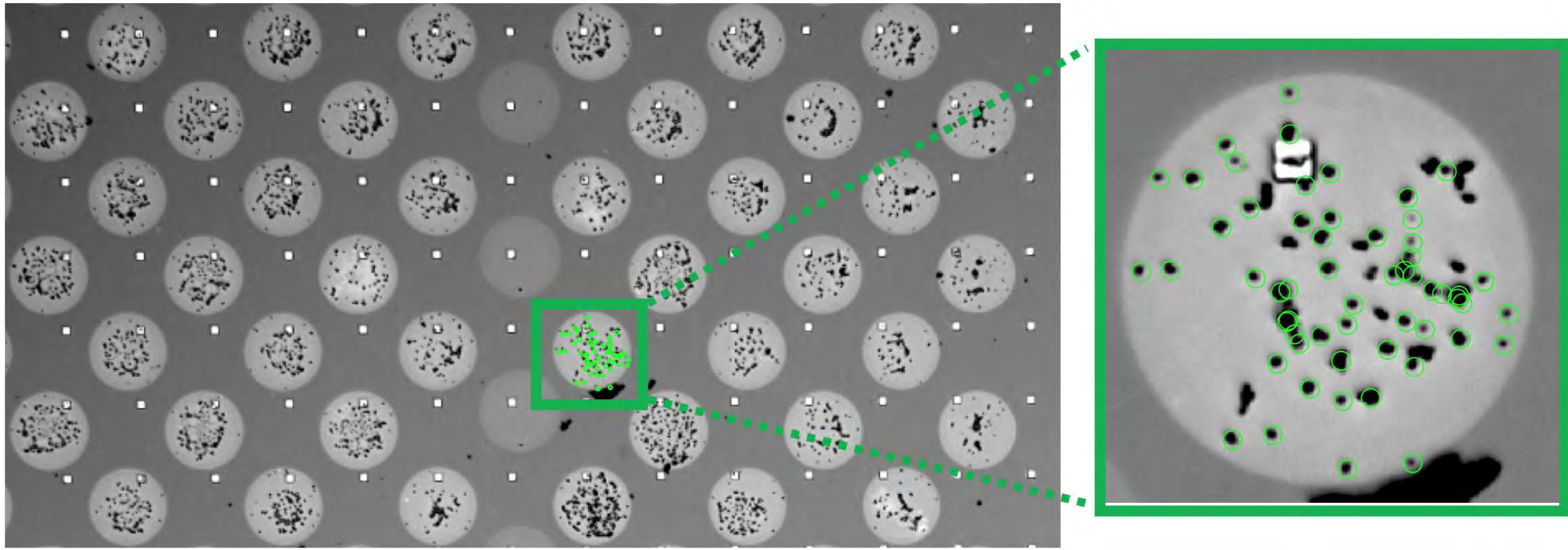
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1:1000	126	4	?
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E-coli Detection



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5X objective imaging and processing



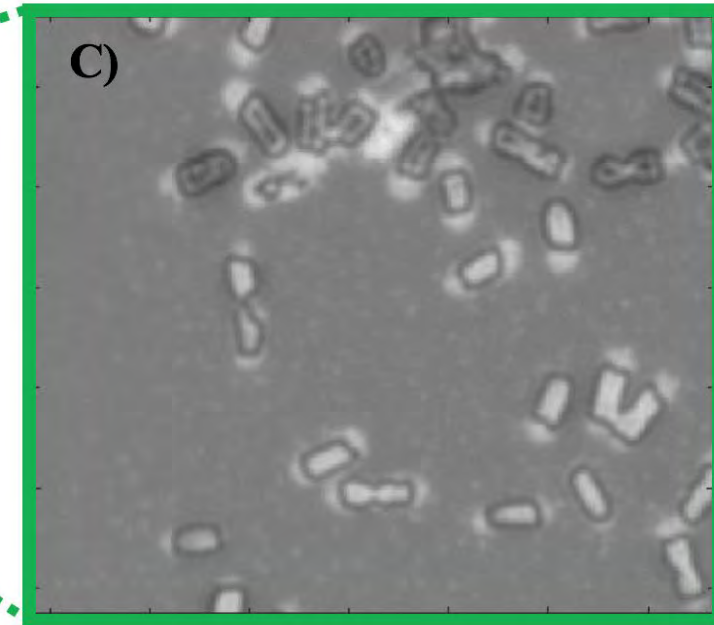
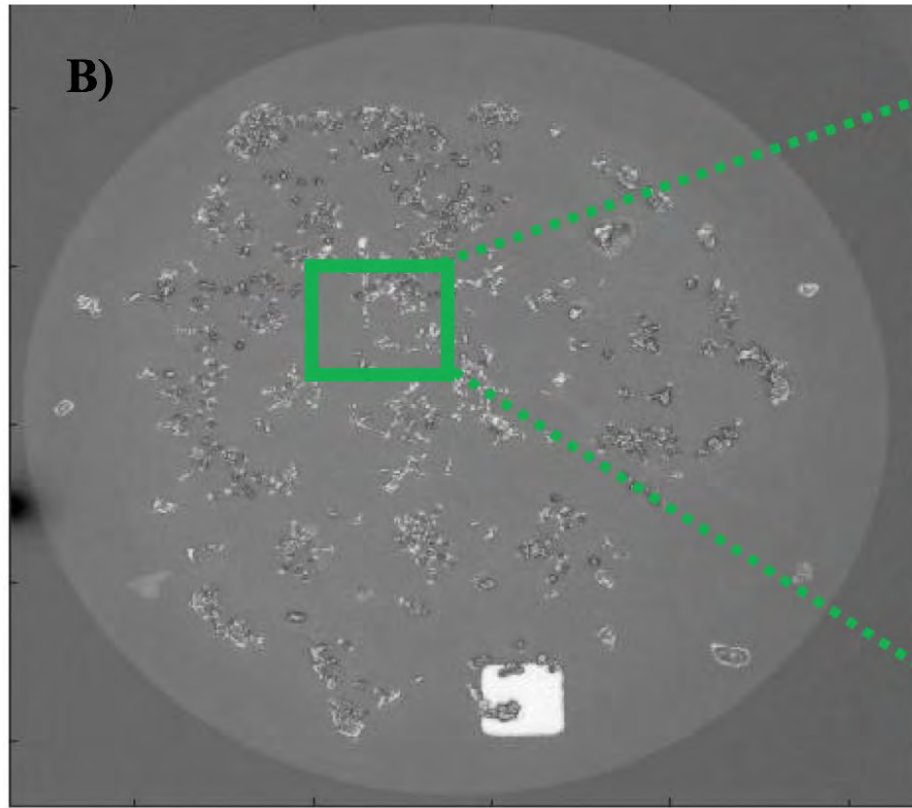
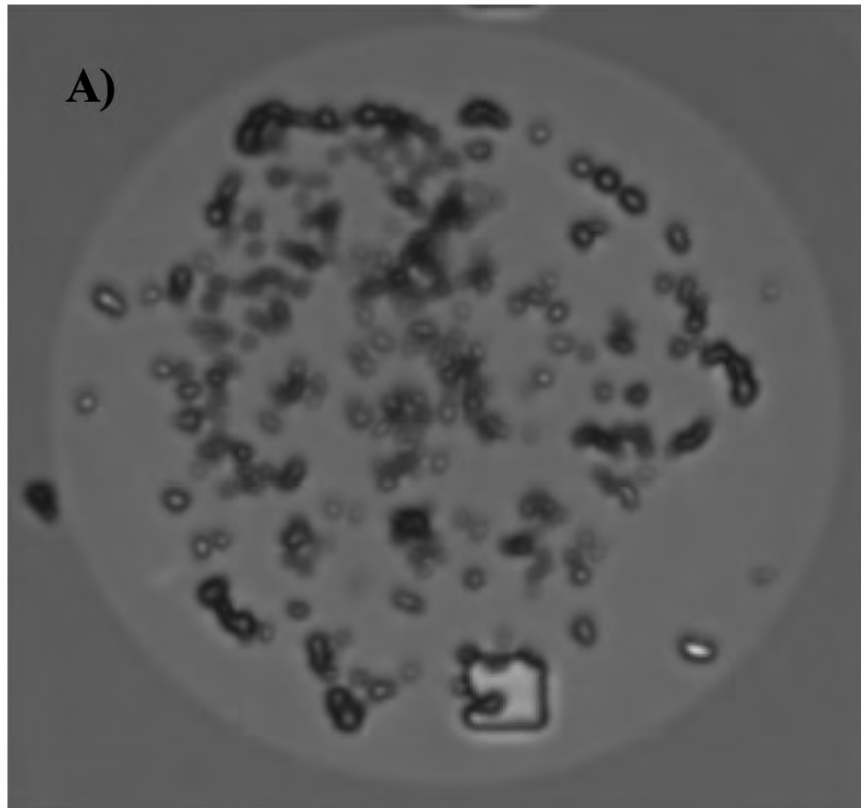
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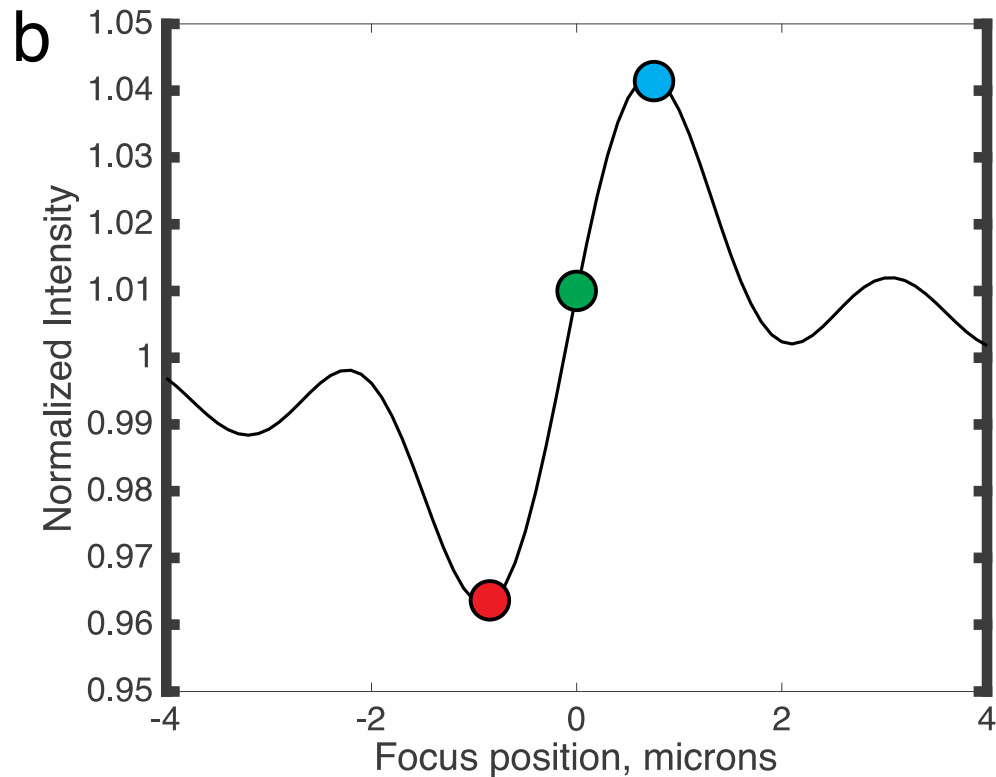
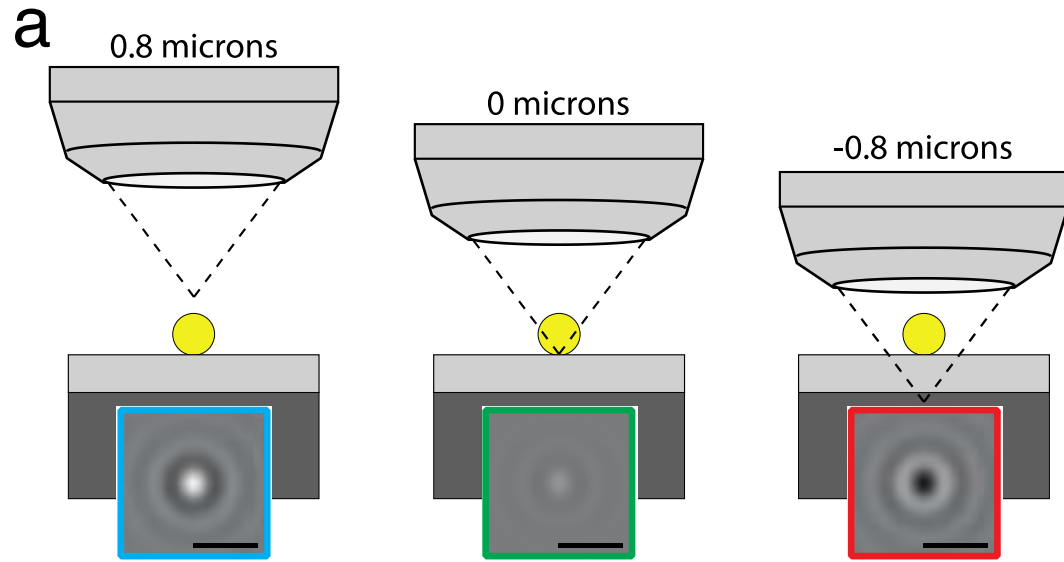
Detection and Verification

A)

B)

C)





Interferometric fringes – defocus profile

Changing the focus position changes the path length to the detector differently for reference reflection and scattered light



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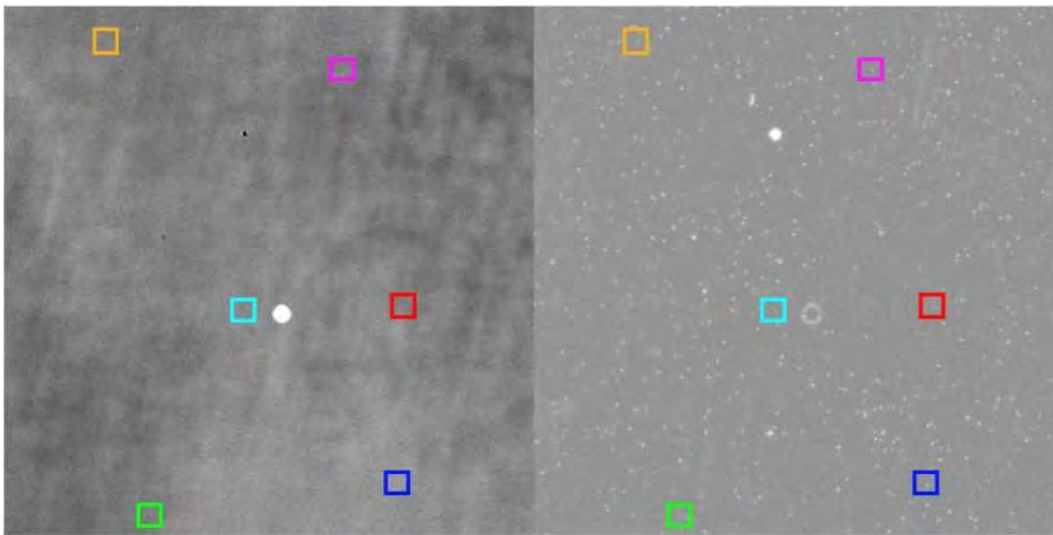
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Robust Visualization and Discrimination of Nanoparticles by Interferometric Imaging

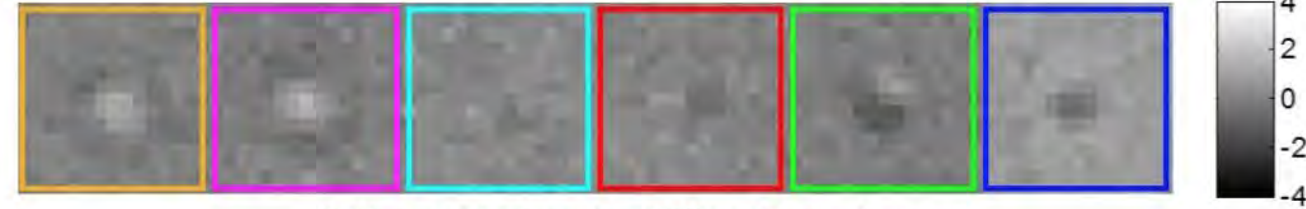
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A) Nominally Focused Single Plane Image

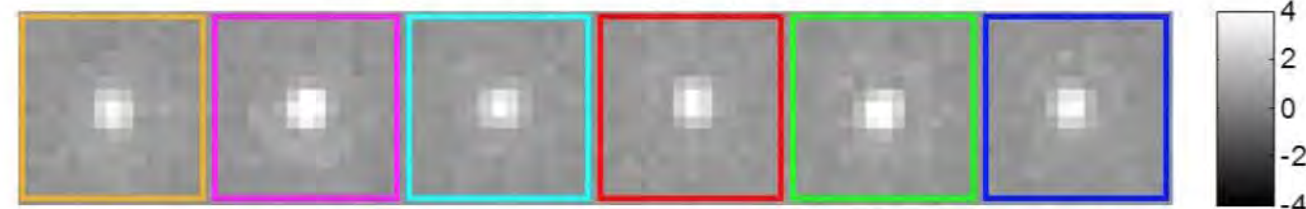
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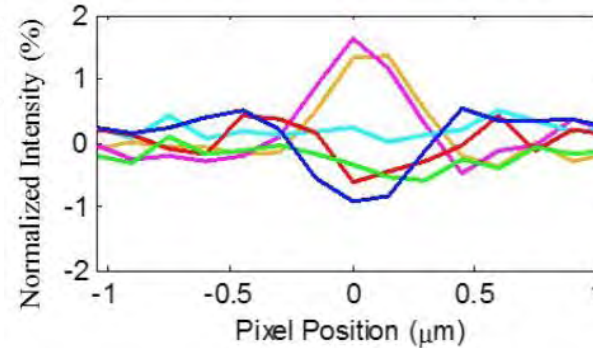
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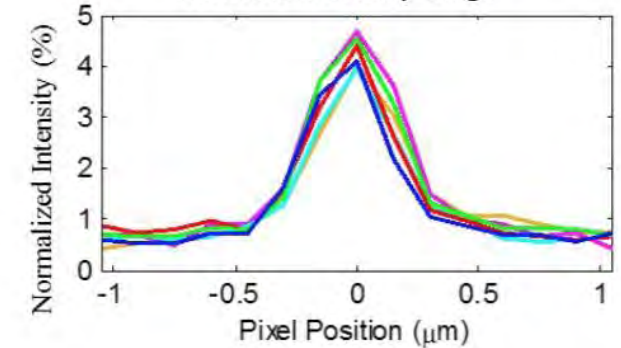
D) Nanoparticle Crops from Differential Intensity Image



E) Centerline Profiles from Nominal Focus Plane Image



F) Centerline Profiles from Differential Intensity Image



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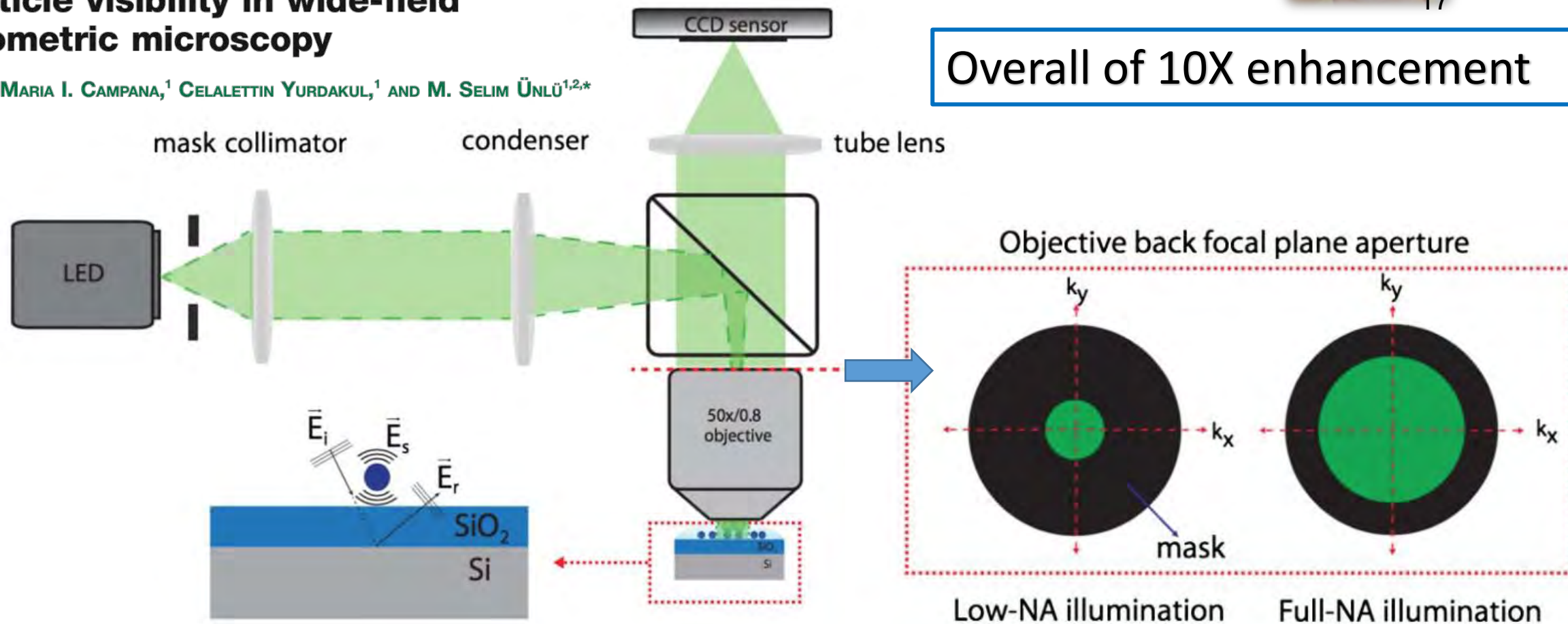
Pupil function engineering for enhanced nanoparticle visibility in wide-field interferometric microscopy

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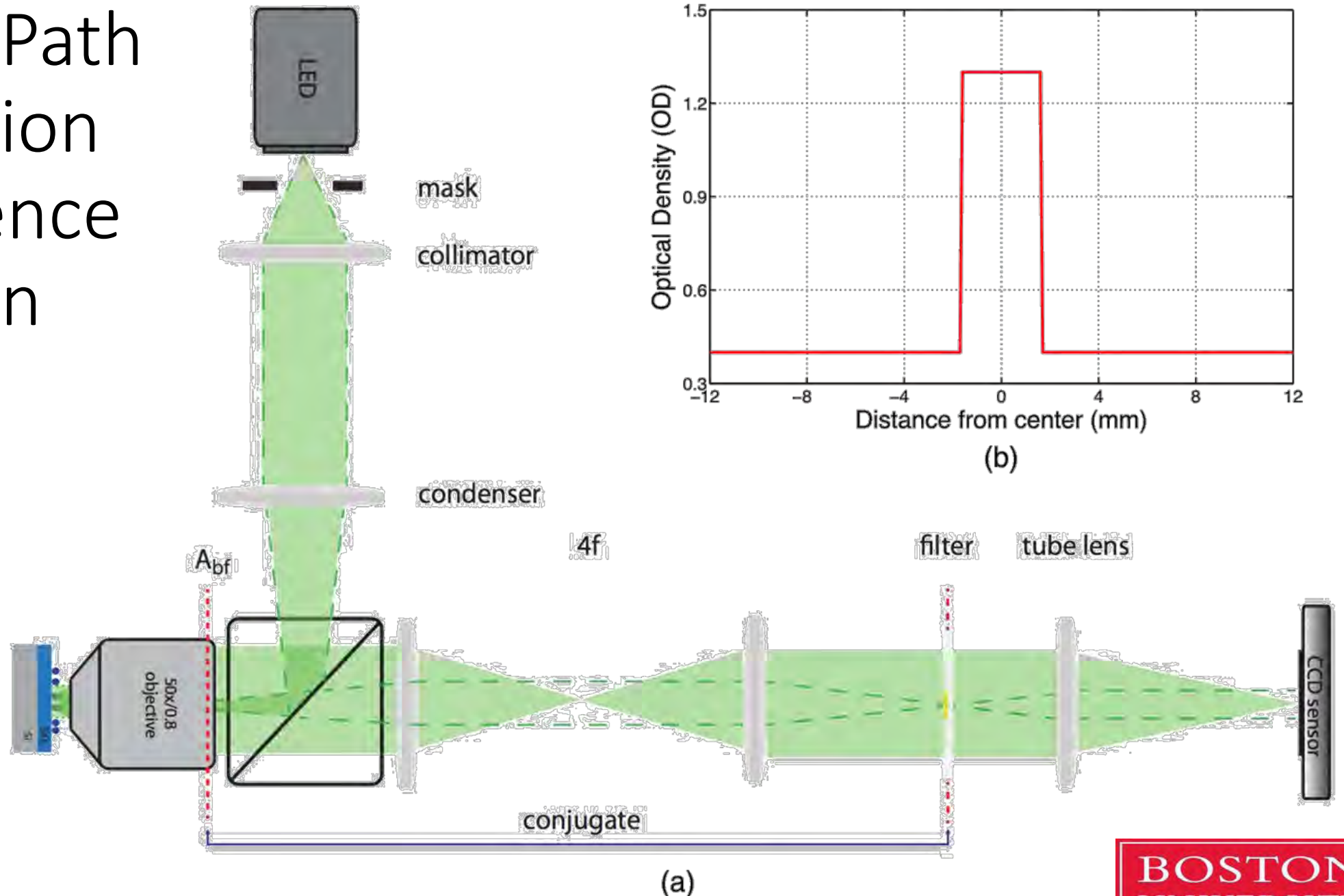


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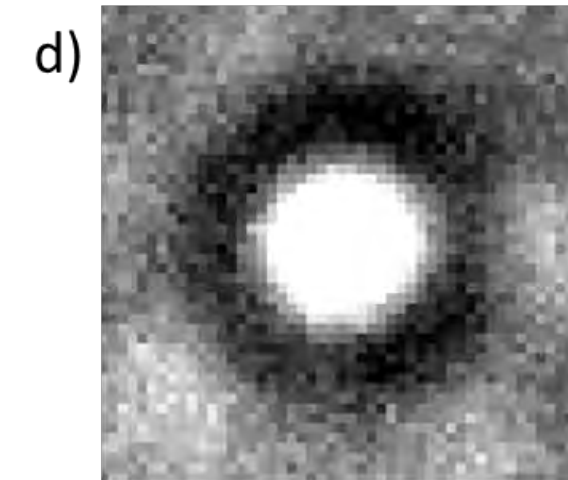
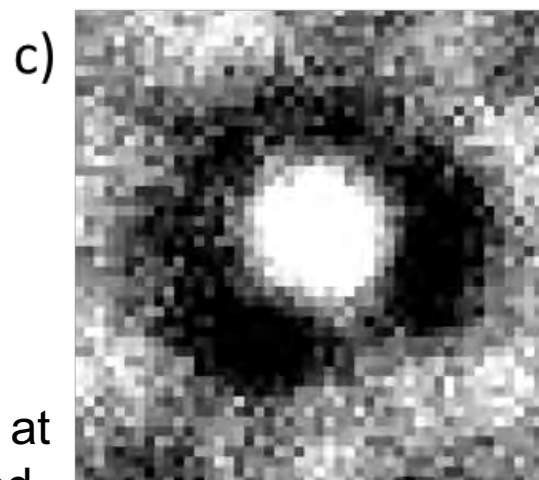
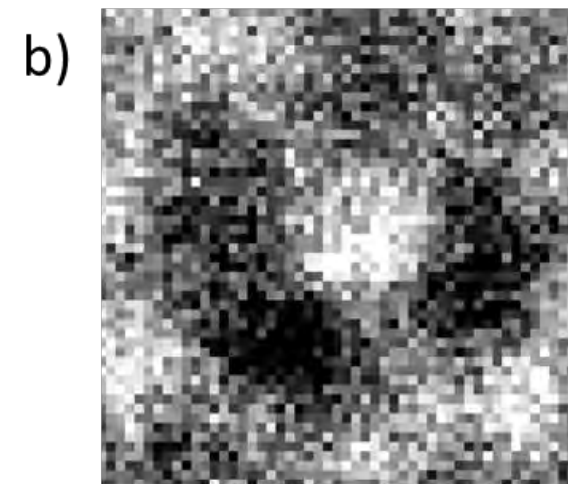
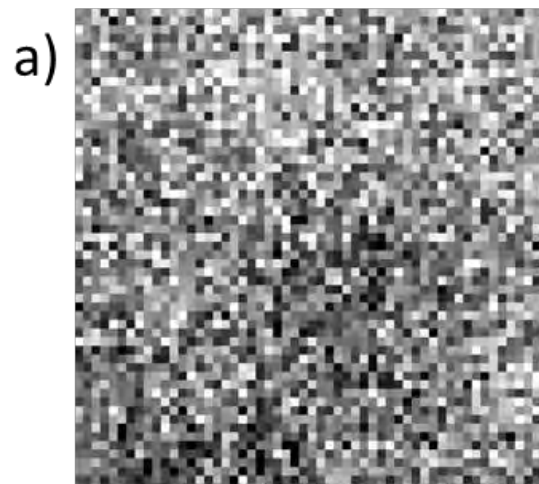
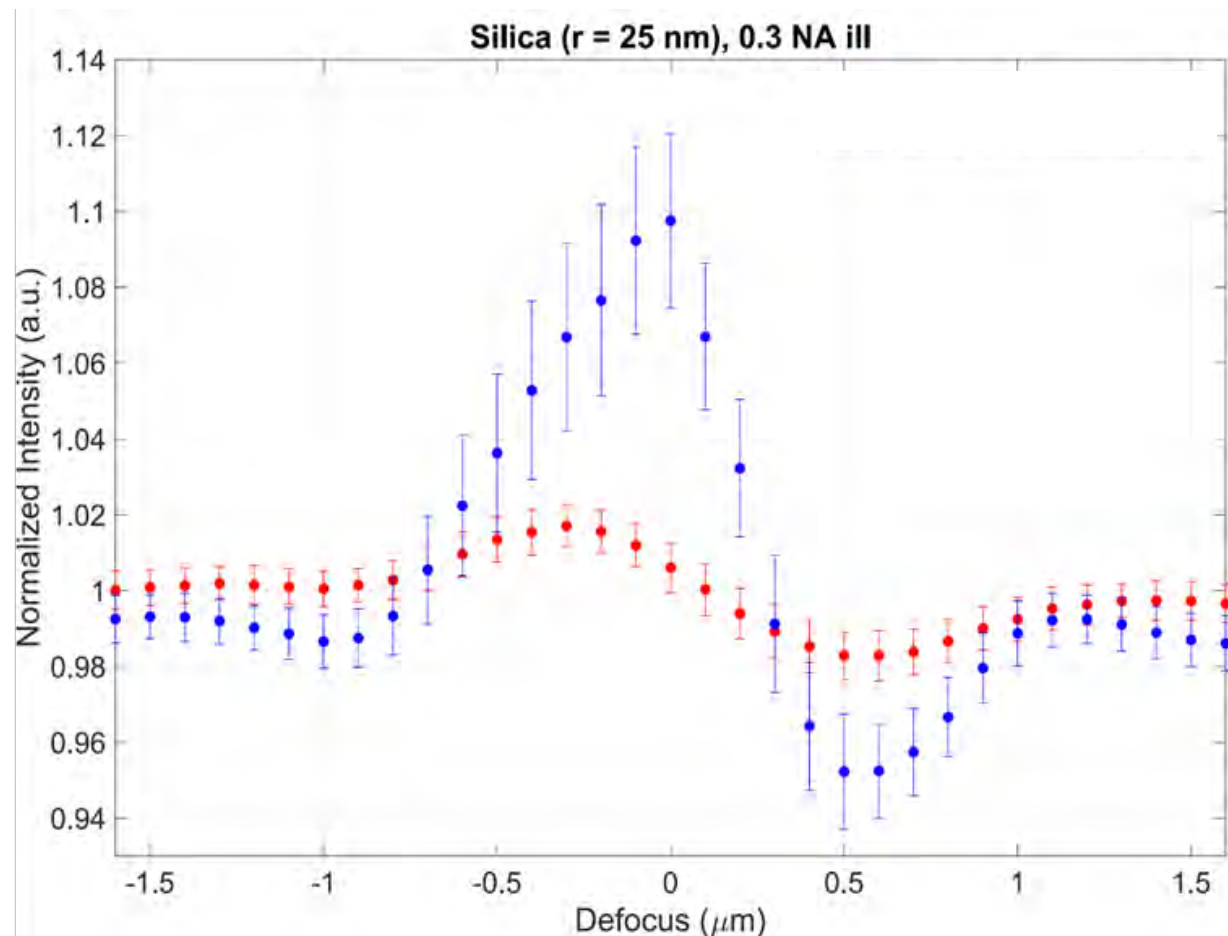
Overall of 10X enhancement



Collection Path – Apodization and Reference Attenuation



Silica particles defocus curve $\sim 5X$ enhancement (3% \rightarrow 15%)



a) full-NA illumination at $\lambda=530$ nm, b) apodized illumination at $\lambda=530$ nm, c) apodized illumination at $\lambda=460$ nm, d) apodized illumination with amplitude filter in the collection path at $\lambda=460$ nm.

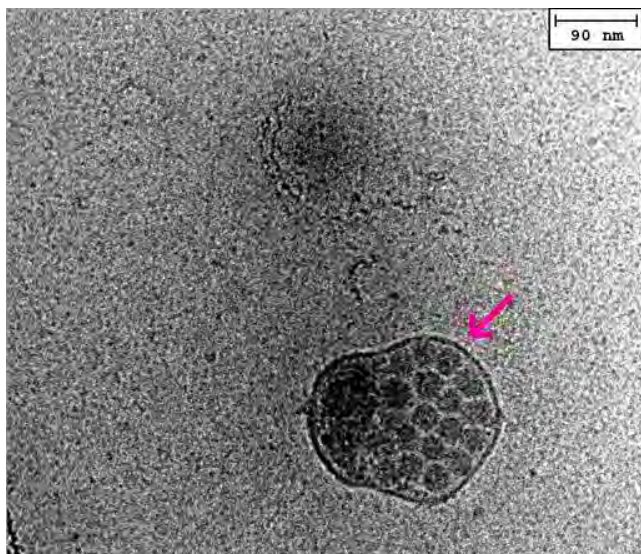
OUTLINE

- A bit of philosophy – some history of optics
 - Optical Interference
- Interferometric Reflectance Imaging Sensor (IRIS)
 - Principles
 - Requirements and technology
- Kinetic measurements of molecular binding
- **Single bio-nanoparticle detection**
 - Exosomes
 - Viruses
 - Bacteria
- **Super-resolution imaging**
- Single Molecule Detection

Technologies for bio-nanoparticle characterization

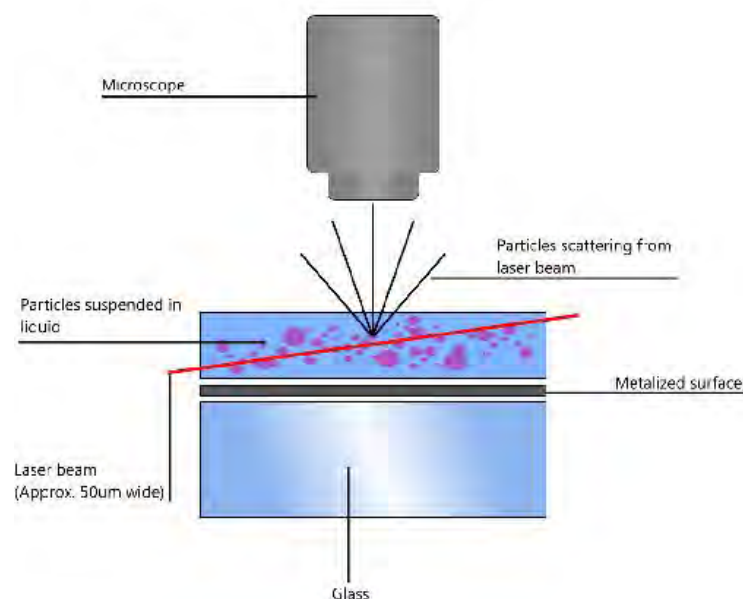
Cryo-TEM

- Fantastic resolution
- Low throughput and difficult

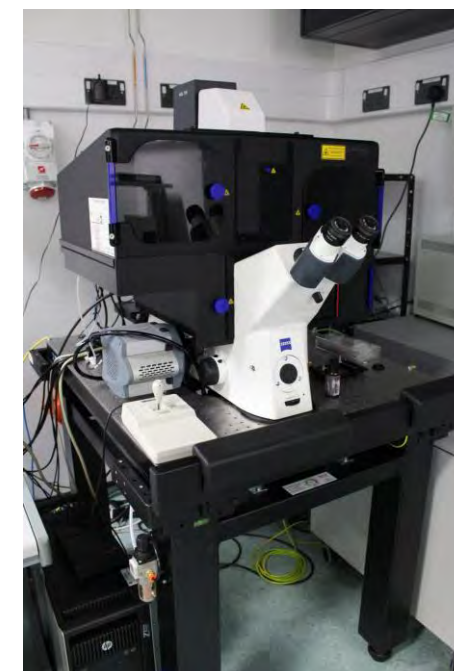


Nanoparticle Tracking Analysis

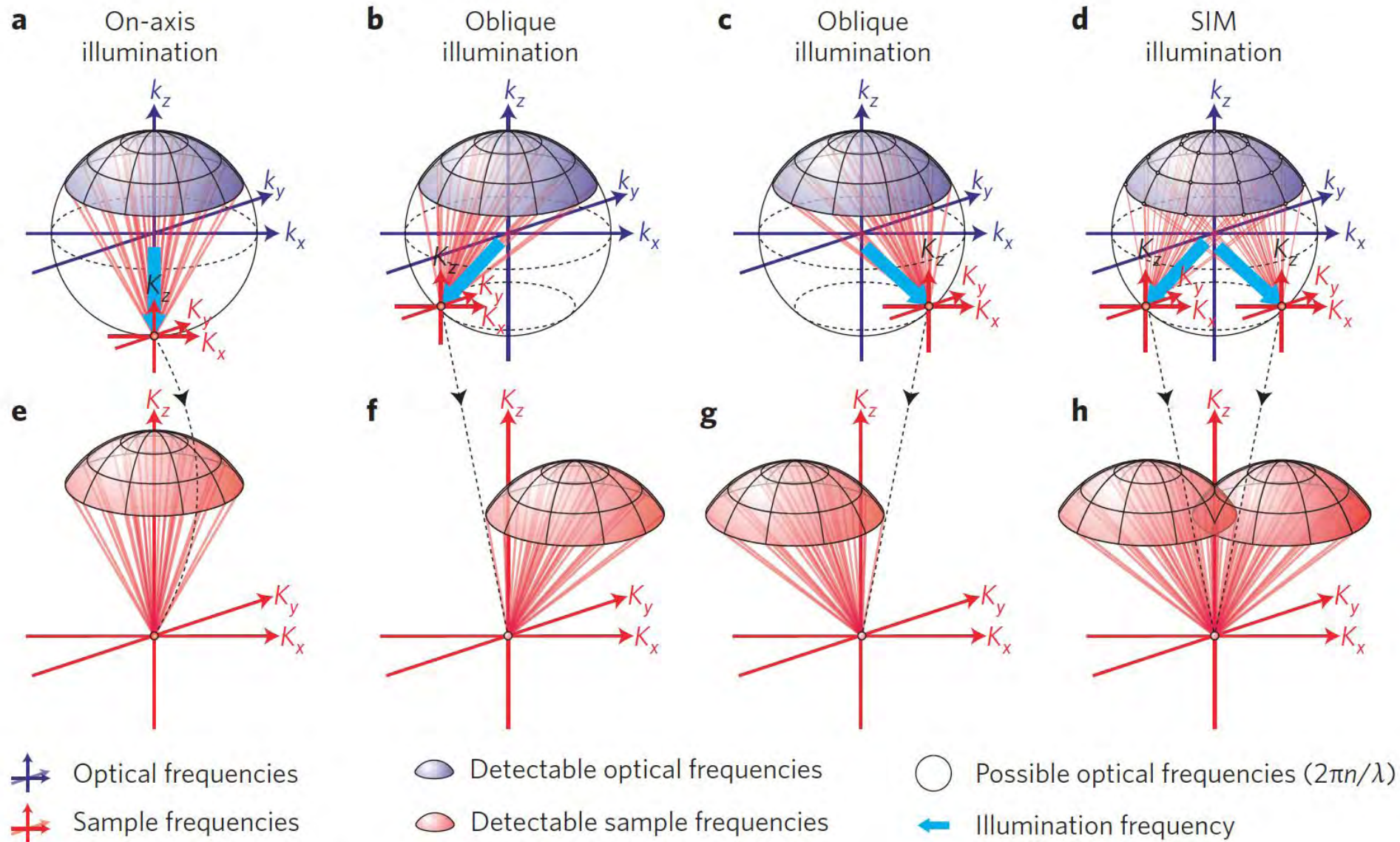
- Estimate size of particles based on Brownian motion
- Little/no molecular information



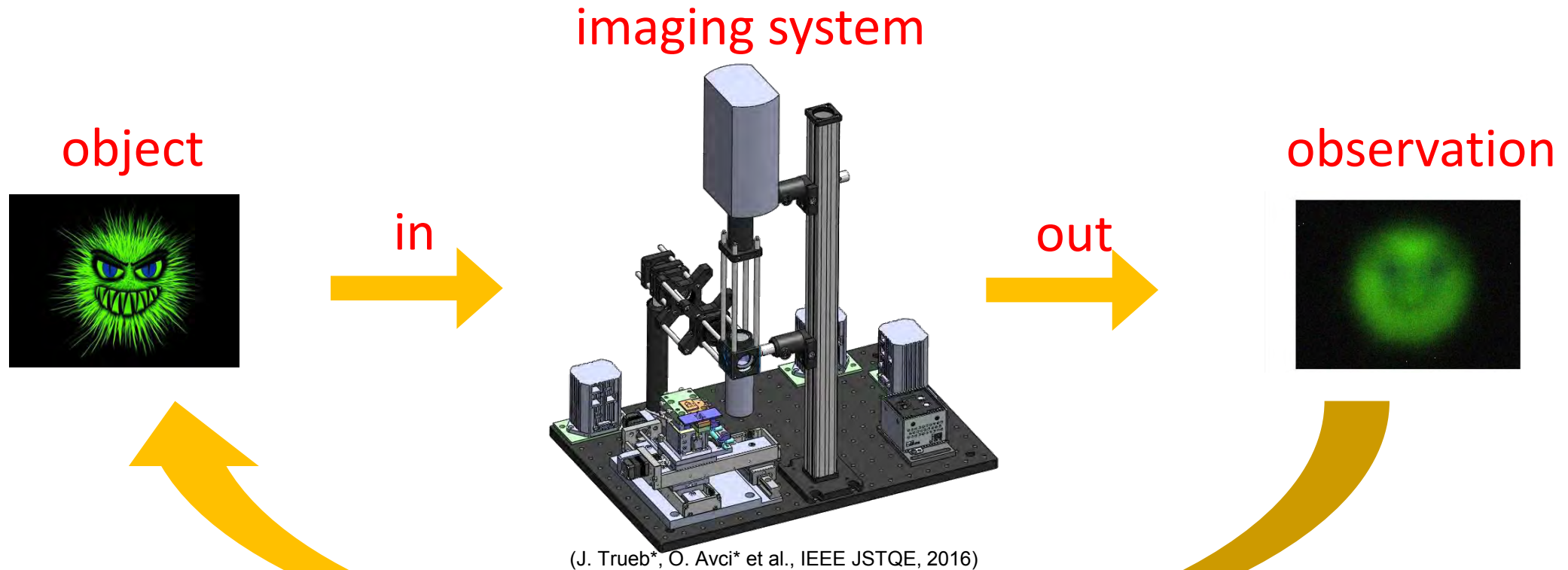
Fluorescence microscopy (STED/PALM)



Needed: High-throughput methods to measure the **size, shape** and **molecular profile** of biological nanoparticles



Reconstruction in Interference Microscopy



$$y = Ax + e$$

observation ← y A ← system response convolution matrix x ← object e ← noise

Super-resolution in wide-field interferometric microscopy

- Enhancing low-index nanoparticle resolution via reconstruction schemes

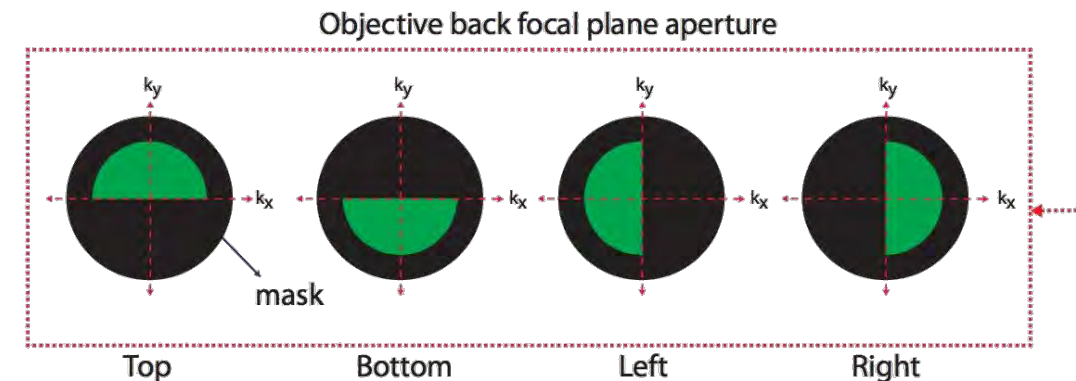
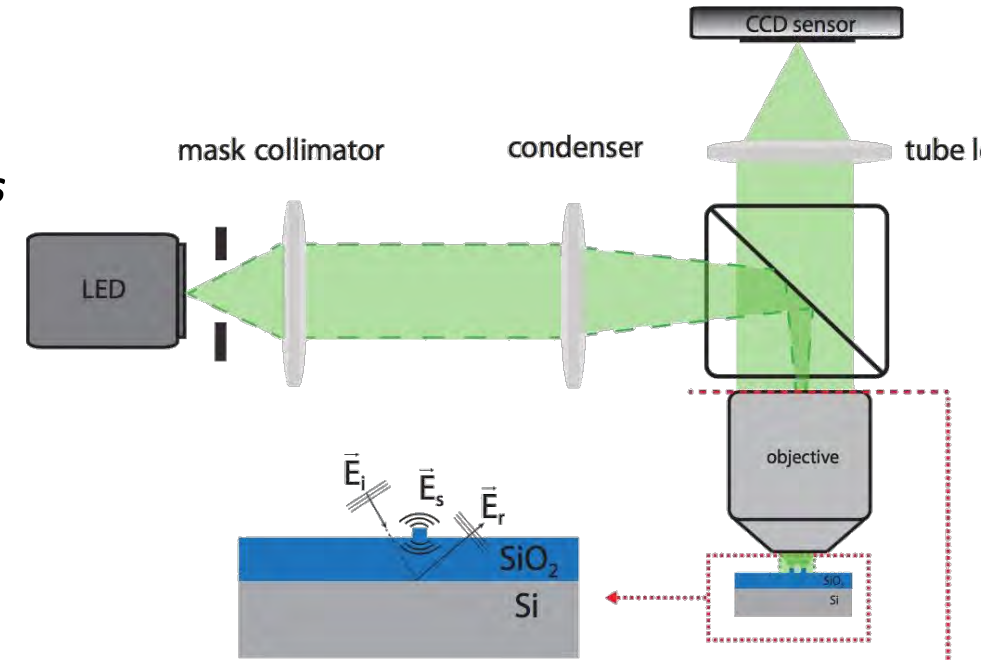
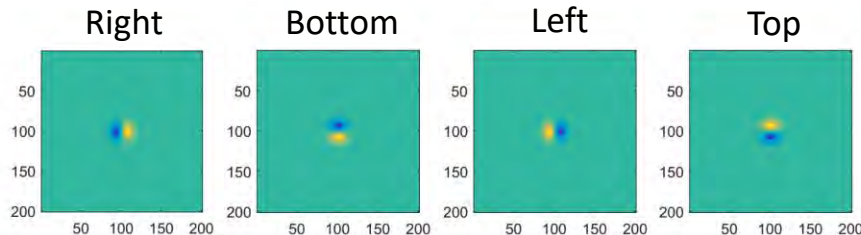
Asymmetric illumination based reconstruction for super resolution

(with Lei Tian)

$$\min_x \sum_{j=1}^N \|A_j x - y_j\|_2^2 + \alpha \|x\|_2^2$$

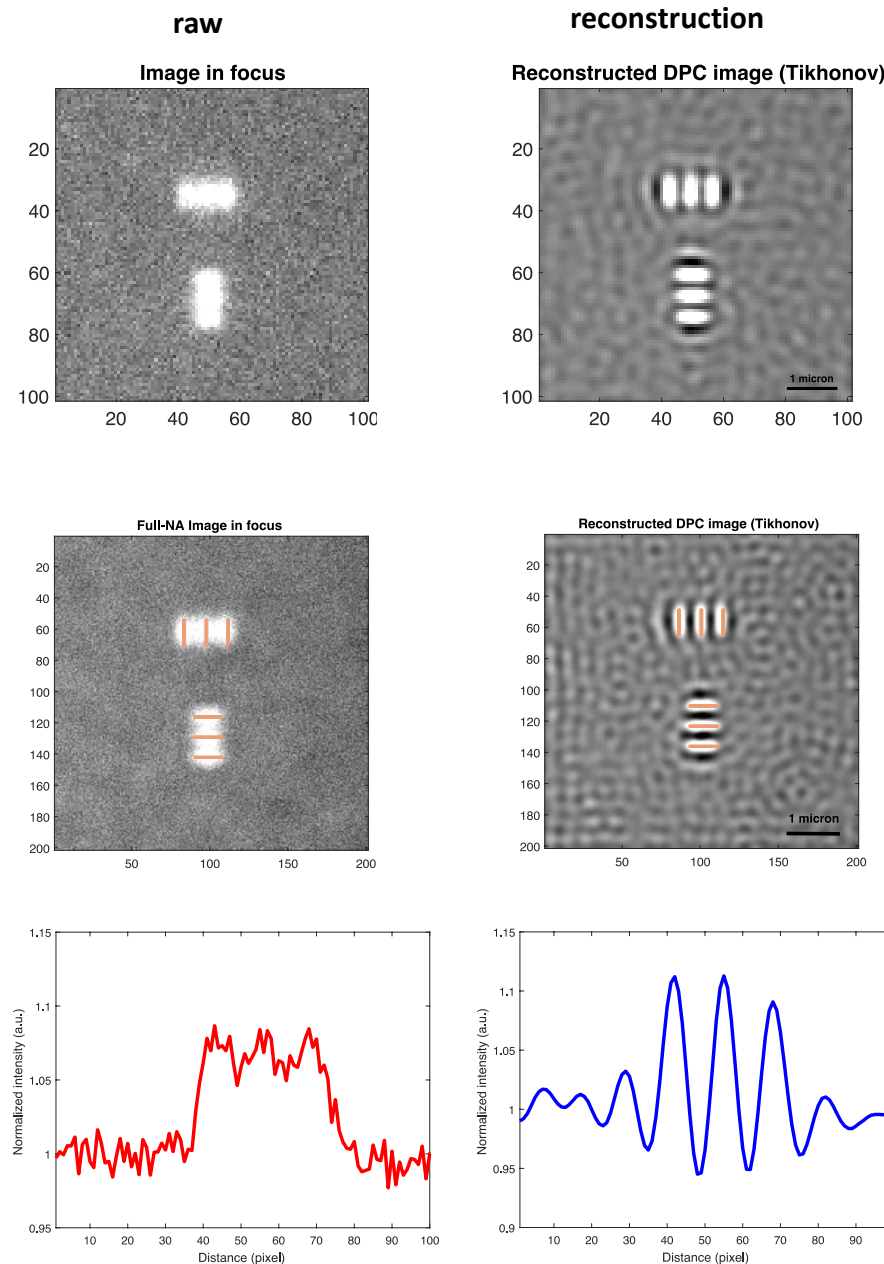
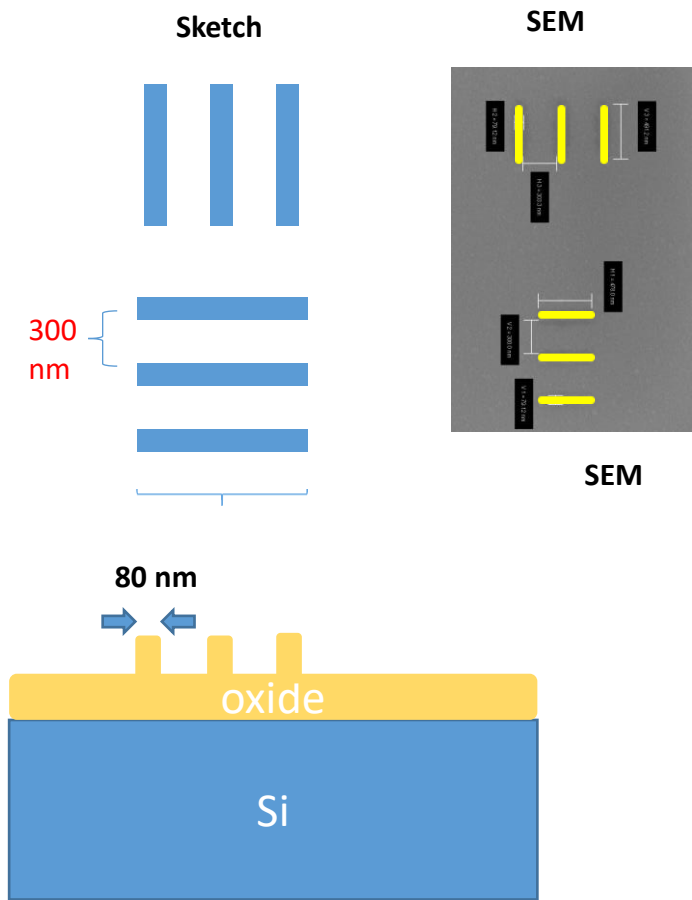
$$x = \mathcal{F}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N H_j^* y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^N |H_j|^2 + \alpha} \right\}$$

Fourier transforms of the transfer functions (H) for each asymmetric illumination configuration



Experimental Results

Sample – E-beam fabricated

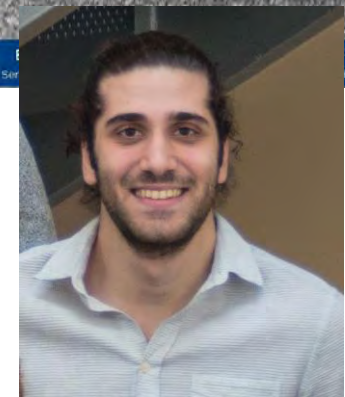
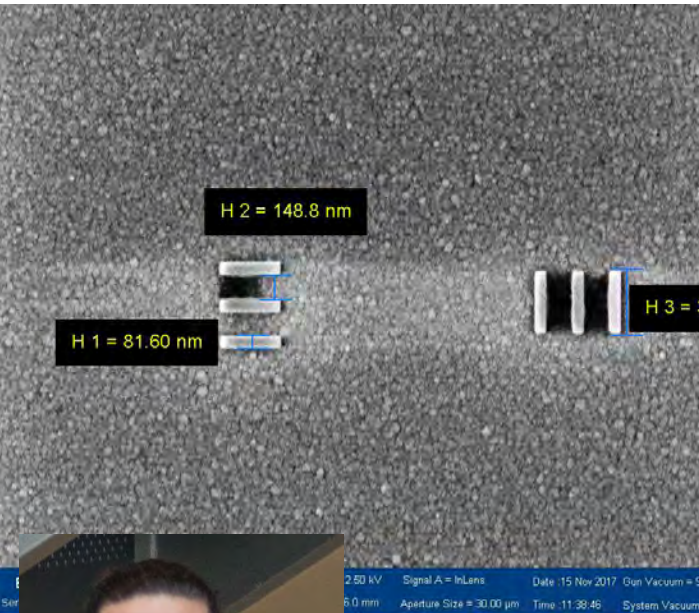


50x/0.8NA 525nm

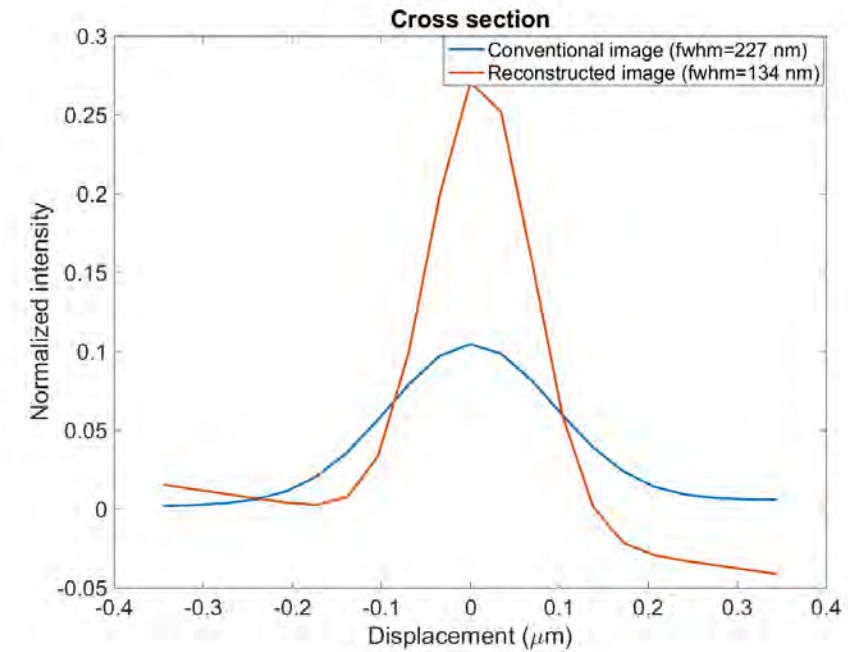
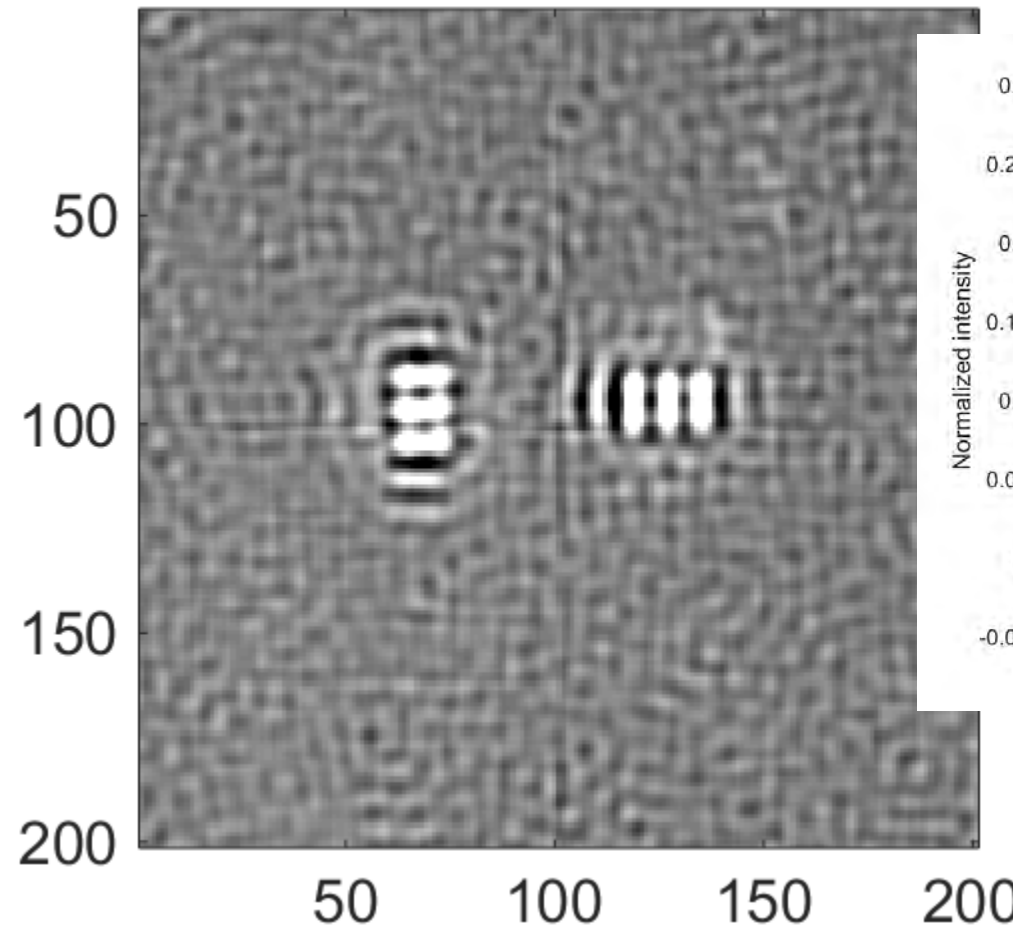
100x/0.9NA 525nm

150 nm separation, 0.9 NA, $\lambda=420\text{nm}$

Reconstructed DPC image (Tikhonov)



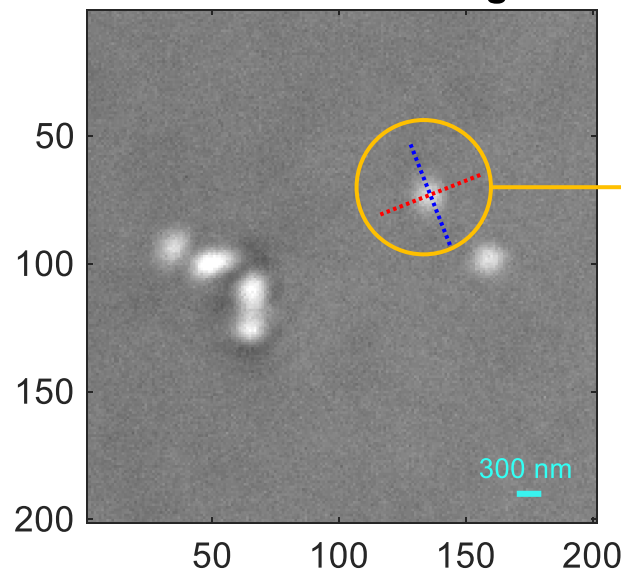
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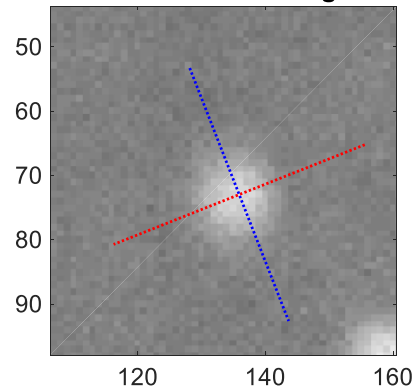
FWHM $\sim 130\text{nm} < (\lambda / 3)$

Elongated polystyrene rods

Conventional image

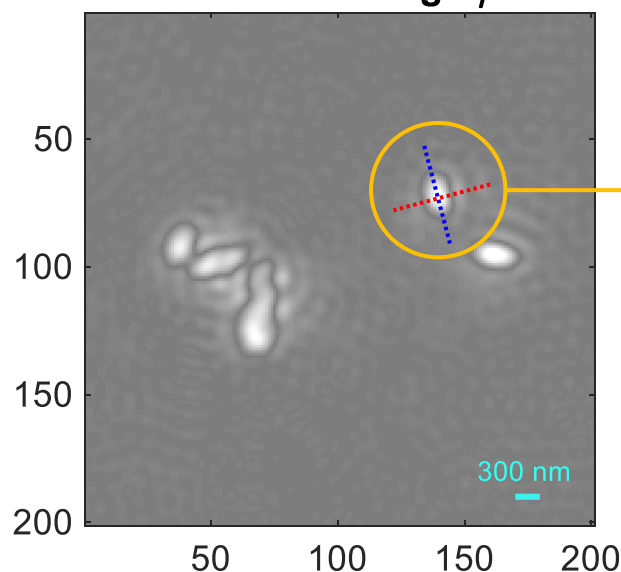


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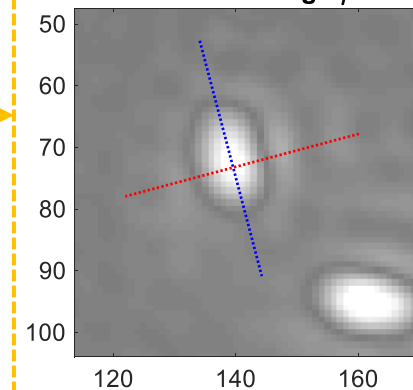


Full NA

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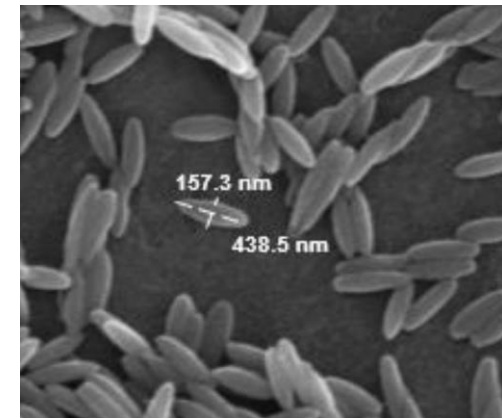
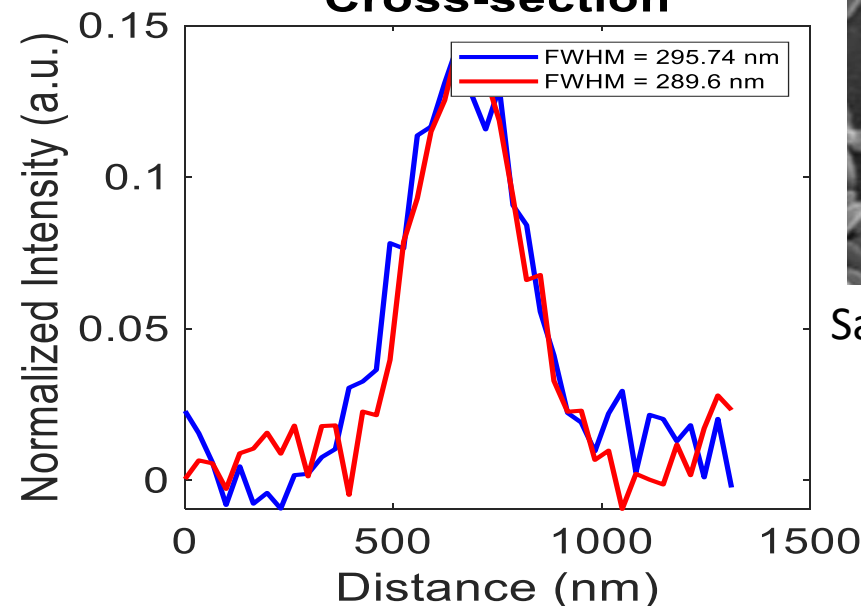


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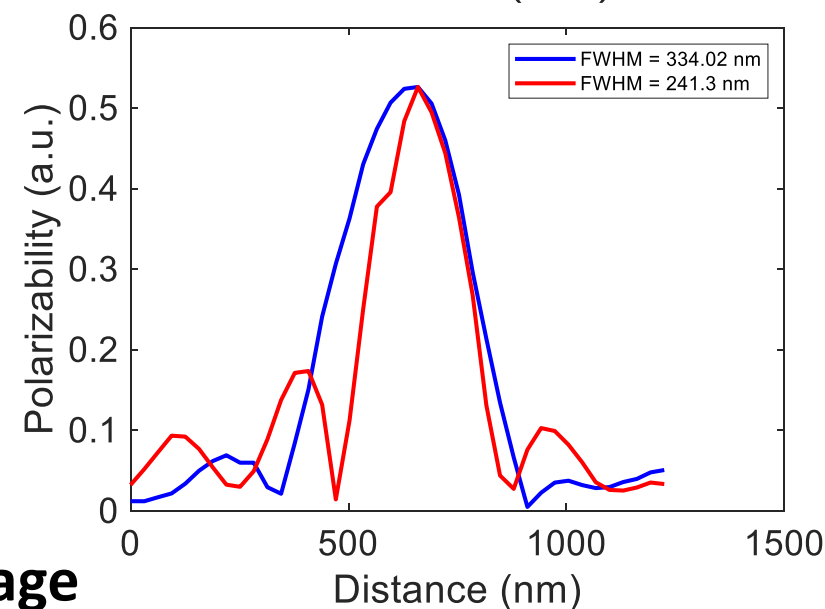


Reconstructed image

Cross-section



Samir Mitragotri (Harvard)



OUTLINE

- A bit of philosophy – some history of optics
 - Optical Interference
- Interferometric Reflectance Imaging Sensor (IRIS)
 - Principles
 - Requirements and technology
- Kinetic measurements of molecular binding
- Single bio-nanoparticle detection
 - Exosomes
 - Viruses
 - Bacteria
- Super-resolution imaging
- **Single Molecule Detection – Digital Microarrays**

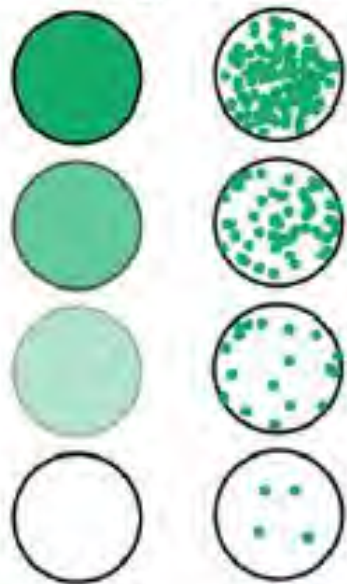
Digital Microarrays: Single-Molecule Readout with Interferometric Detection of Plasmonic Nanorod Labels

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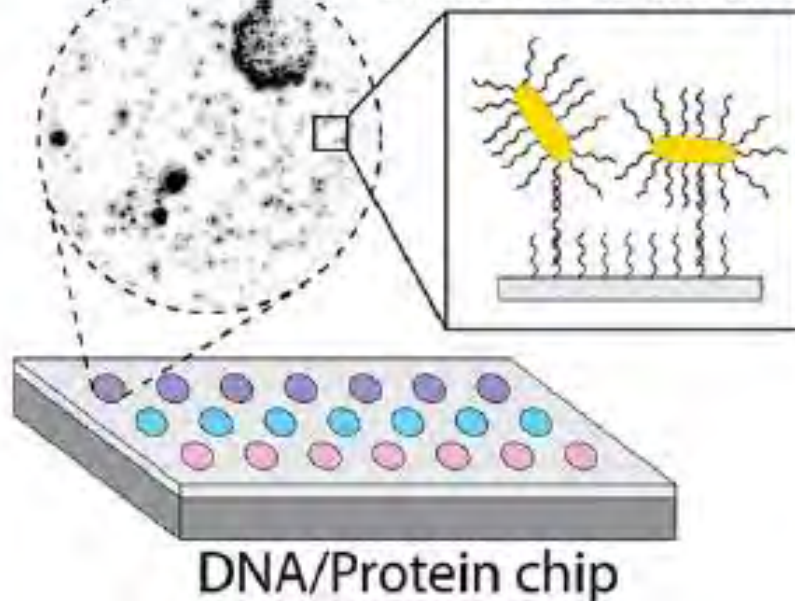
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Analog Digital

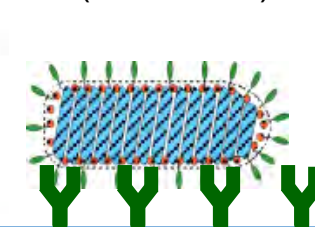


Gold nanorod labels



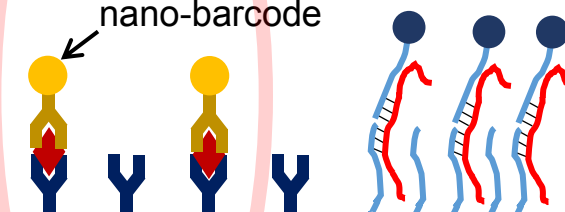
DNA/Protein chip

Single Virus Detection
(label-free)



Single Molecule Detection of
Antigen proteins and DNA/RNA

nano-barcode



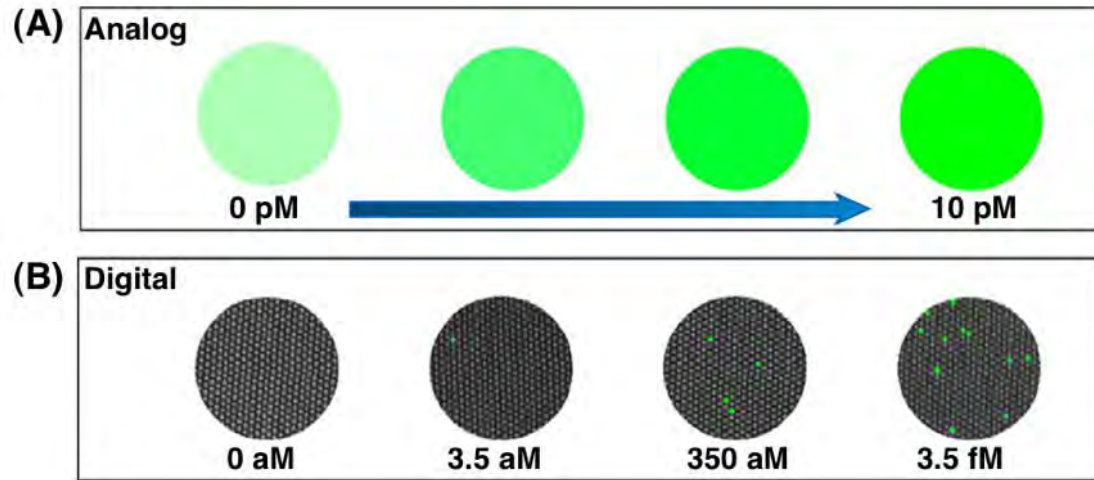
SiO₂

Si

IRIS detection platform

- Digital means counting
- 10,000-fold more sensitive than commercial microarrays, while maintaining all of the advantages:
 1. Highly multiplexed
 2. Low cost
 3. Fast
- Application: molecular diagnostics

Analog vs. Digital



From David Walt @ Tufts
Quanterix



Simoa HD-1 Analyzer

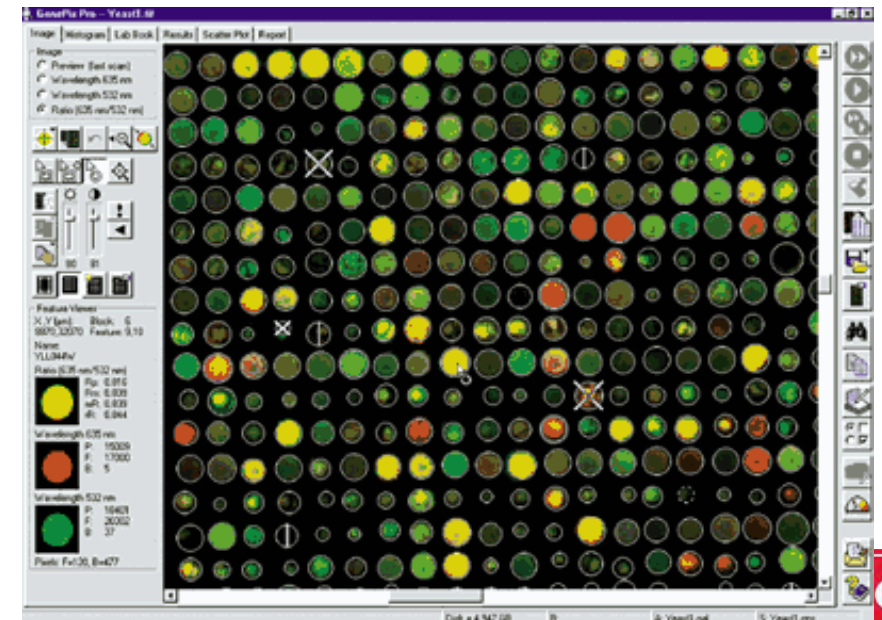
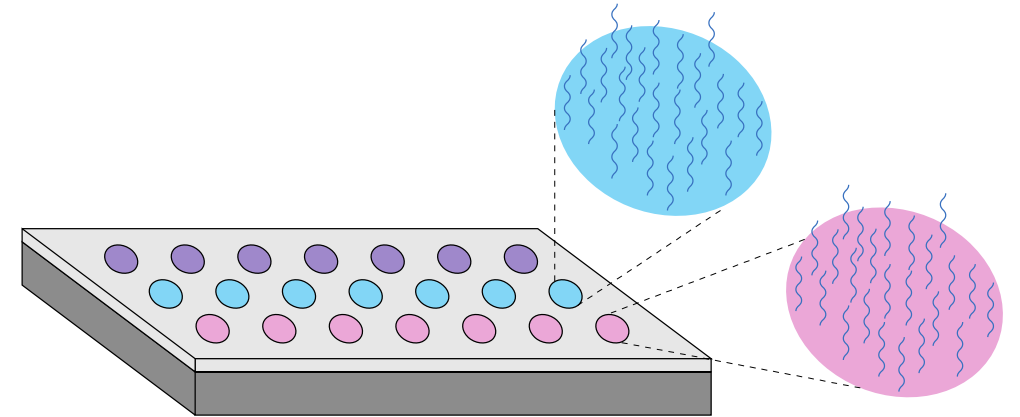


Wikipedia and twitter



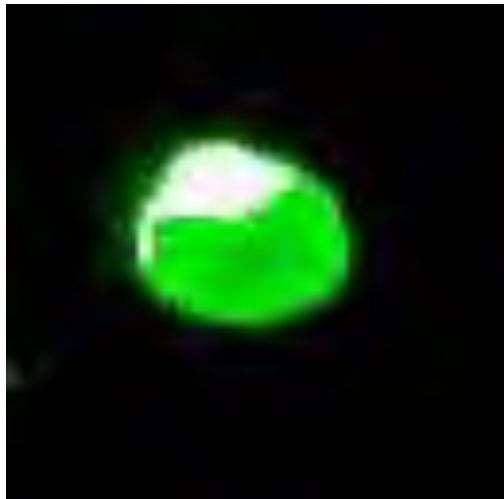
Fluorescence DNA microarrays

1. DNA chip: 100 – 40,000 of unique probes
2. Incubate with sample – RNA targets hybridize
3. Stain with a fluorescent reporter
4. Measure the fluorescence of each spot

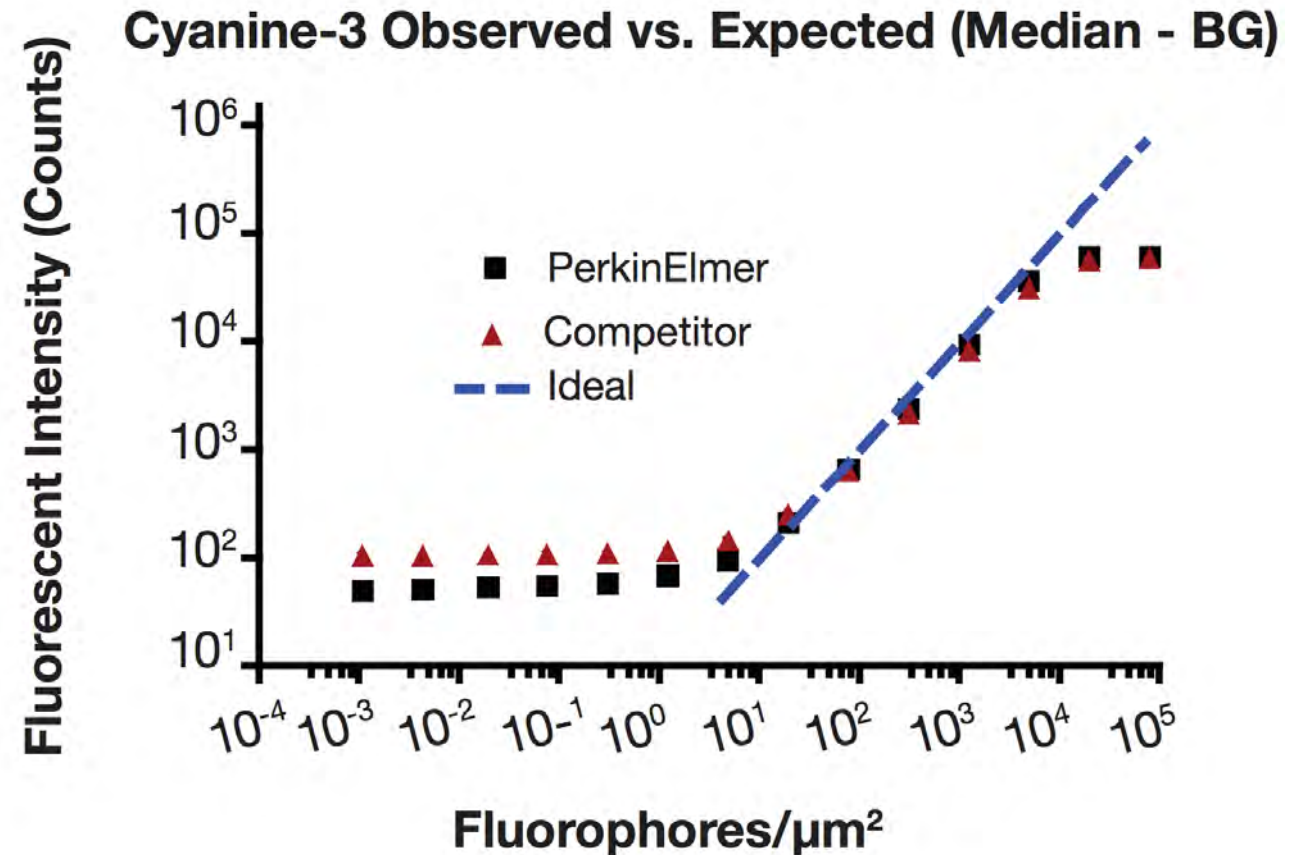


Performance limits of fluorescence

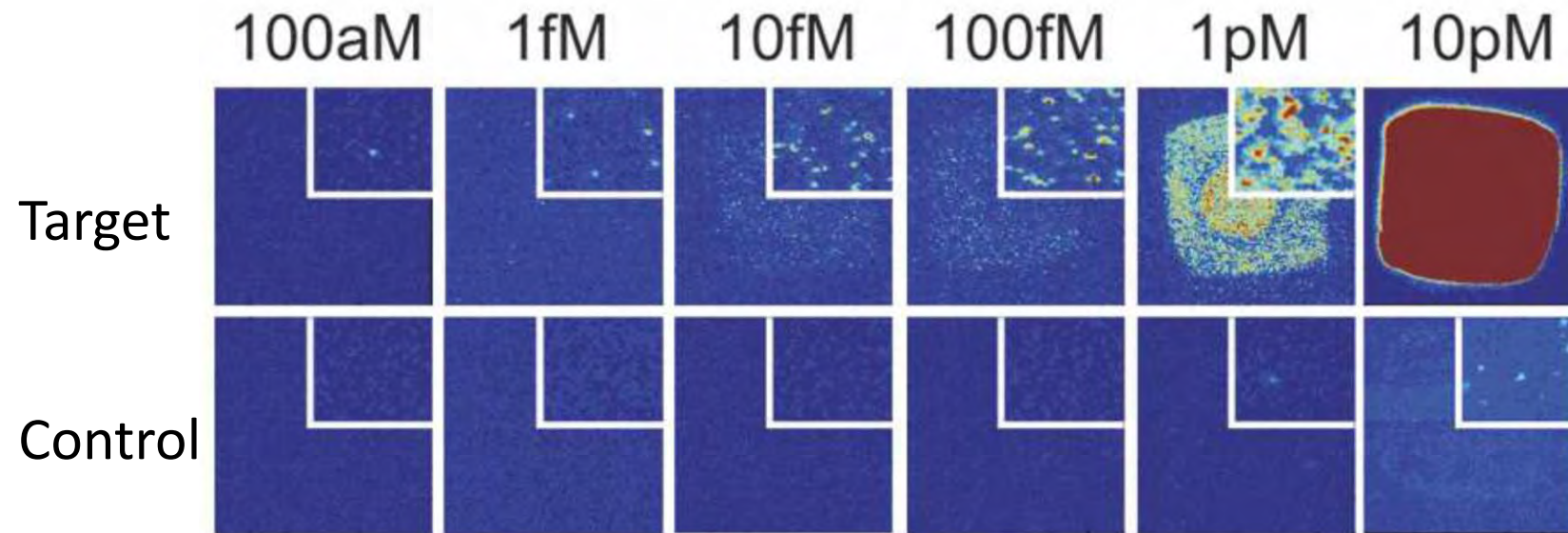
- Sensitivity limit: 10 fluorophores/ μm^2
 - Dynamic range: 100-1000
- ... but microarray spots are 10,000 μm^2



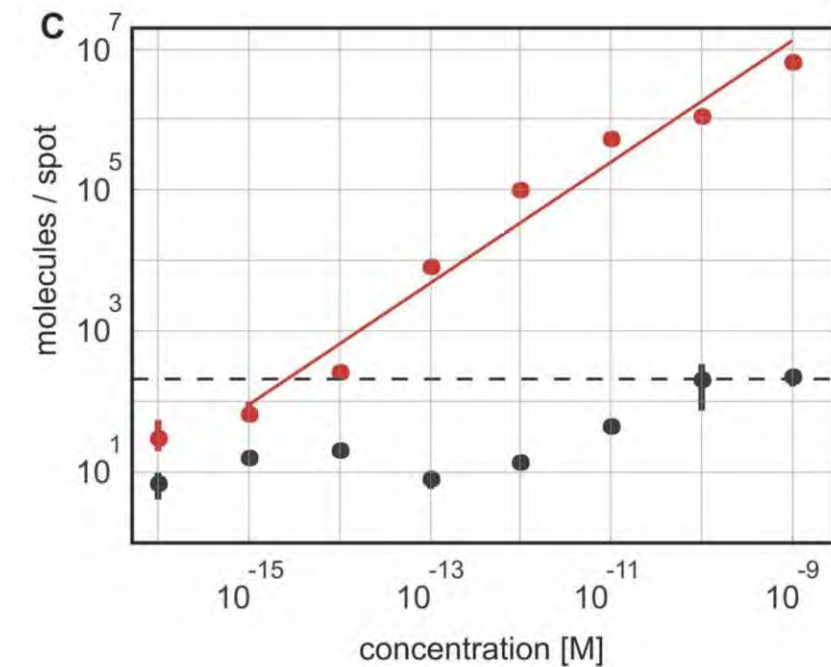
~100 μm diameter



Digital microarray concept



Hesse et al, *Genome Research* 2006



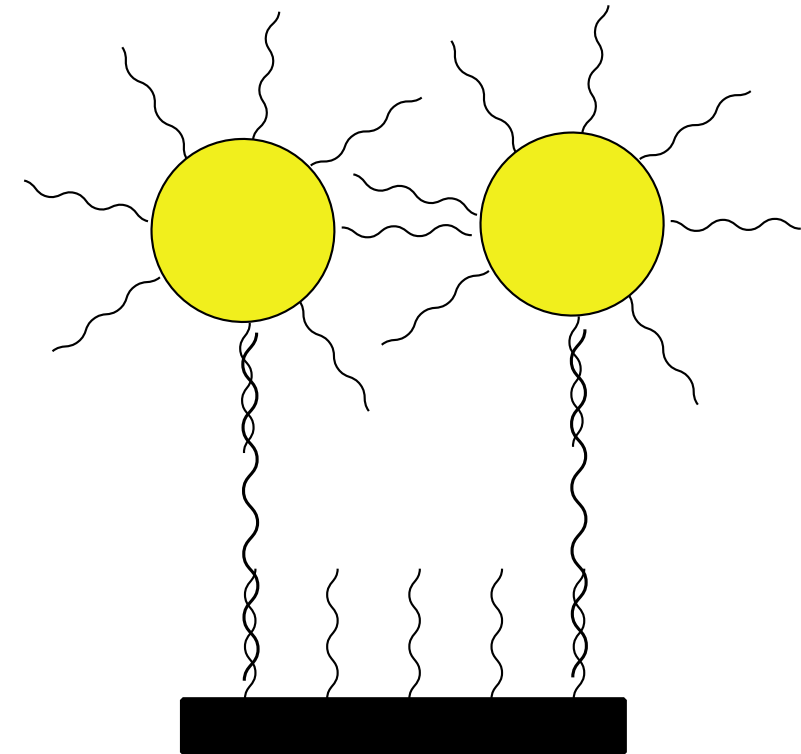
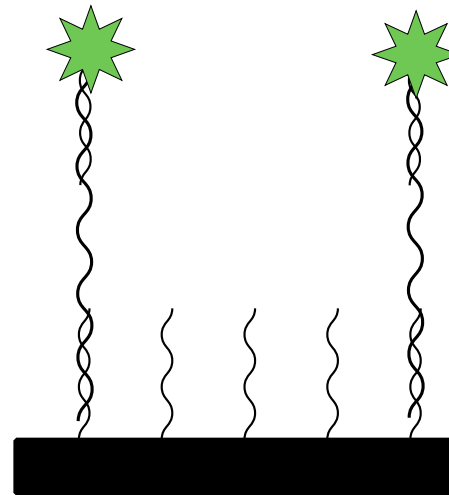
Light scattering

Light scattering is advantageous:

- No saturated emission rate and no photobleaching: only limit to speed is your input light power
- We can use a very simple instrument
- We can do dynamic measurements as well

Replace fluorescent reporters with
nanoparticle conjugates

Challenge – seeing/detection small
nanoparticles



Protein chips by single nanoparticle

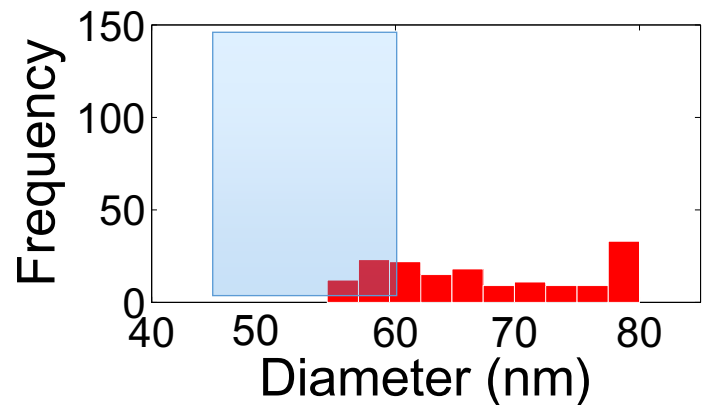
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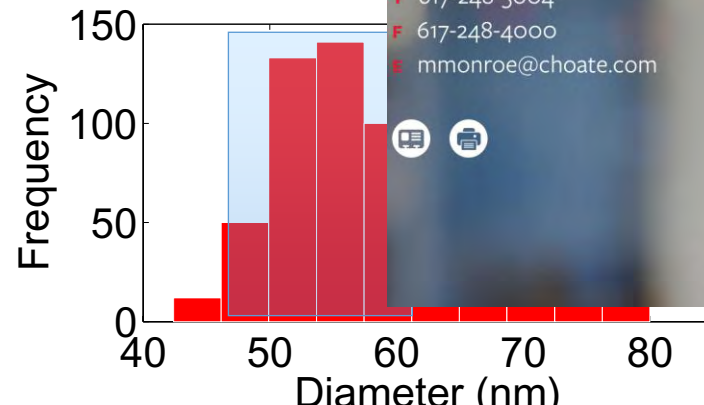
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Detection of 5pM β -lactoglobulin

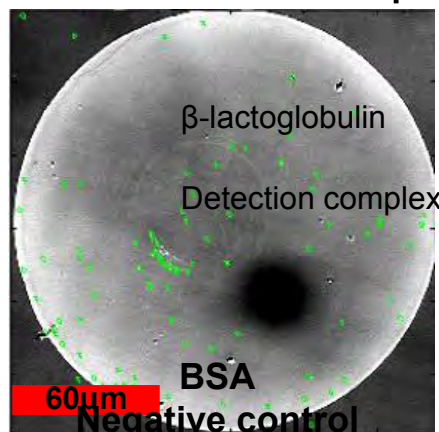


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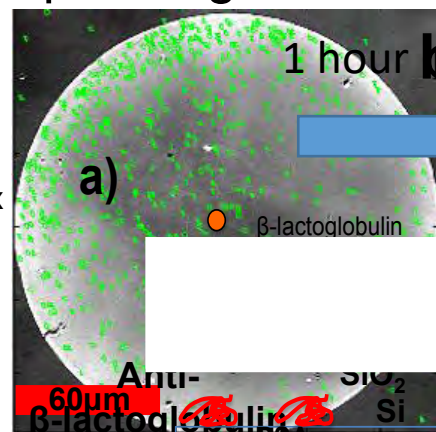
LOD_{serum} < 100aM

LOD_{blood} < 1fM

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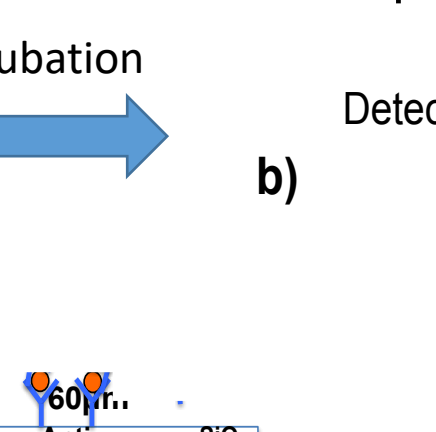


Before detection complex

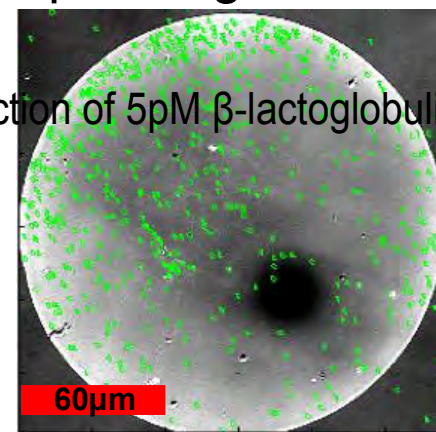


After detection complex

b)



After detection complex



After detection complex

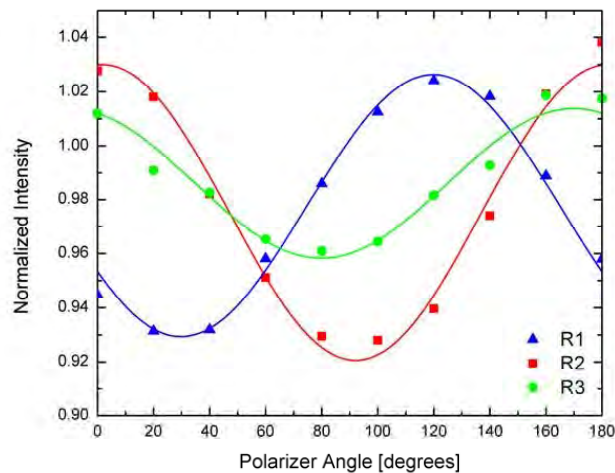
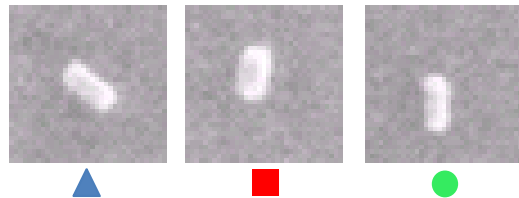
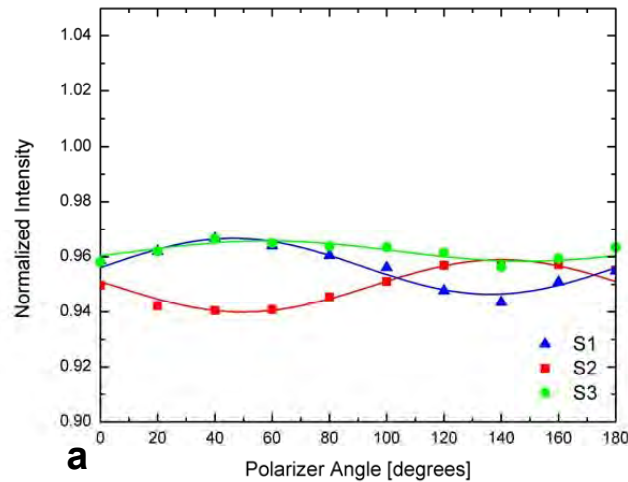
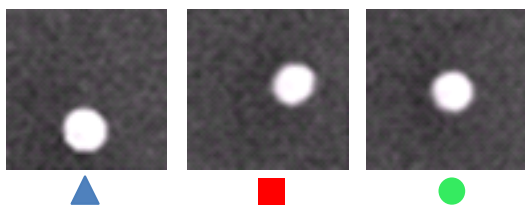
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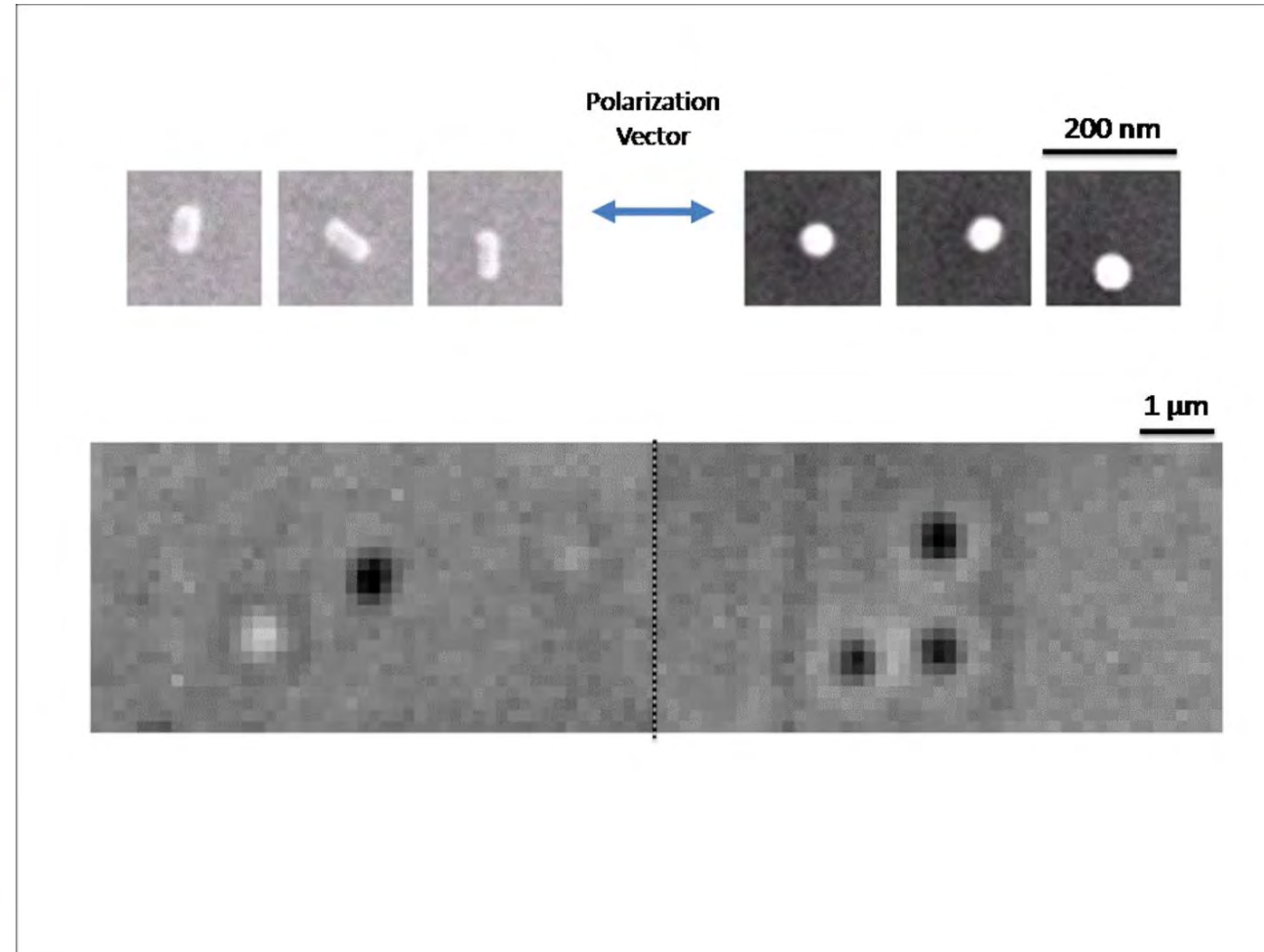
bulin

SiO₂
Si

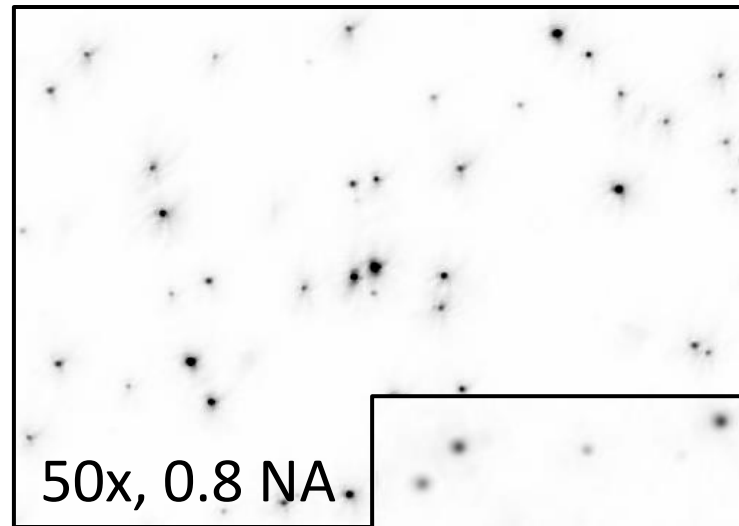
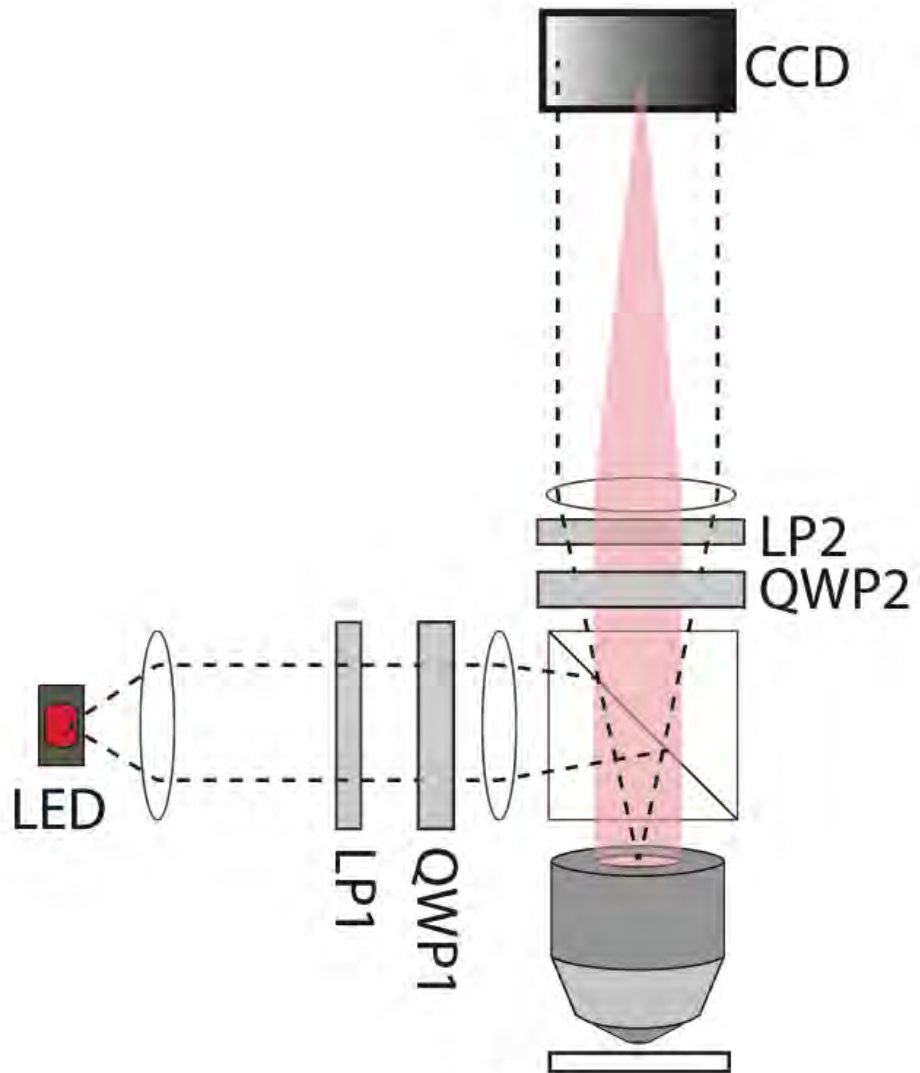
c) i) Size discrimination of complex biological samples



Goal: Larger field of view to scan a larger area
 'lower NA – lower contrast
 Answer: Nanorods as labels - polarization



Circular polarization

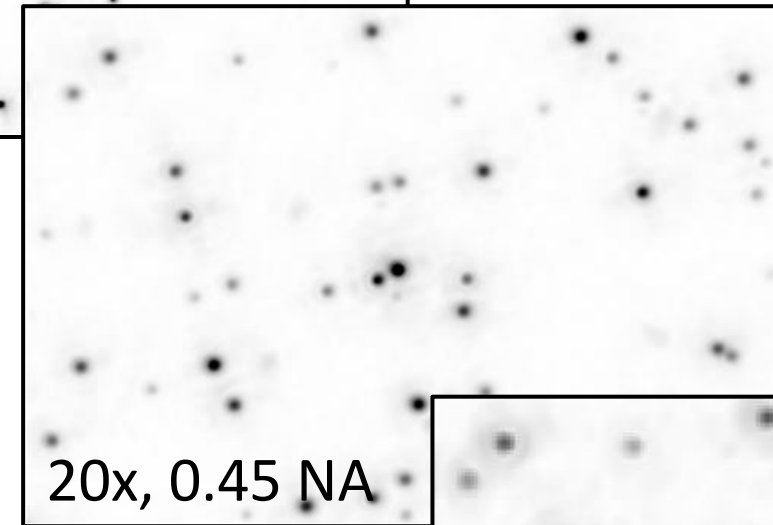


Polarization enhancement,
real-time DNA detection



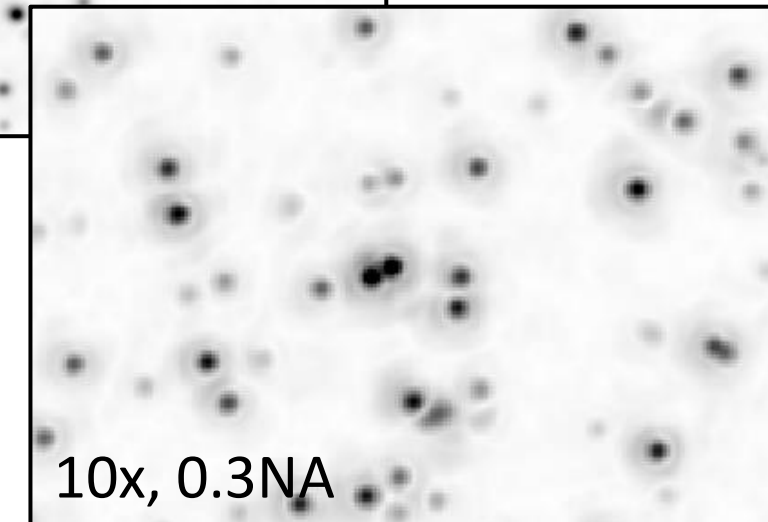
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mRNA detection
AST

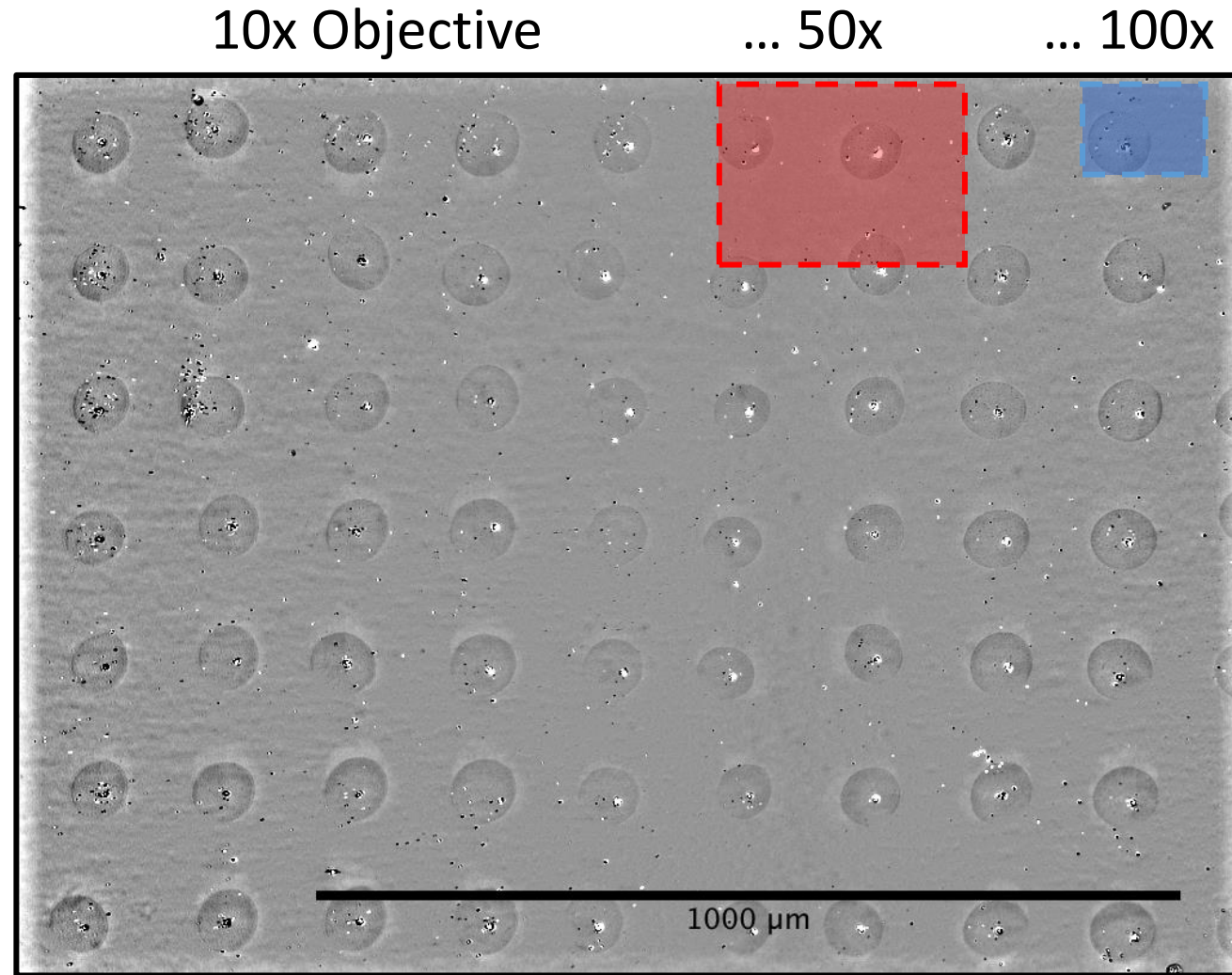


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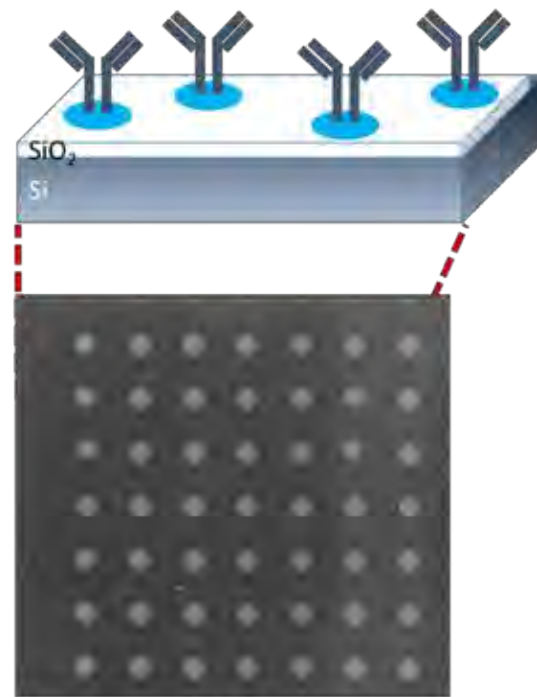
miRNA detection



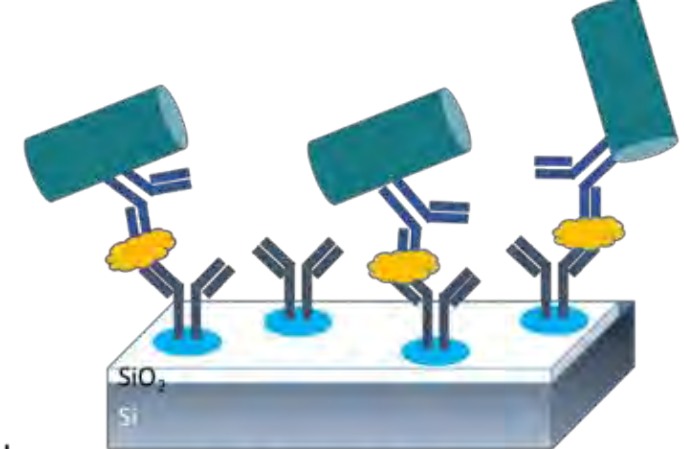
A digital microarray with IRIS



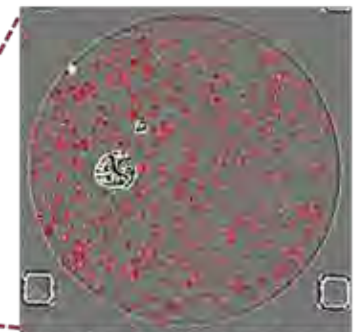
A Typical Assay



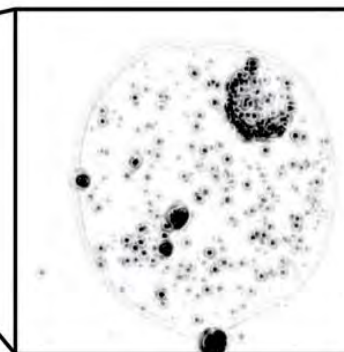
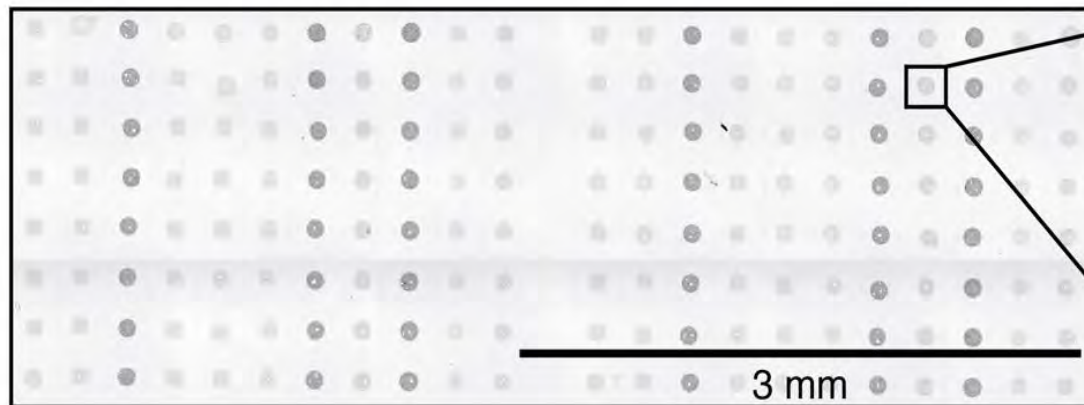
1. Antigen samples
2. Au-nanorod-tagged antibodies flow through the microfluidic array system



IRIS Single molecule detection and quantification of biomarker HBsAg proteins

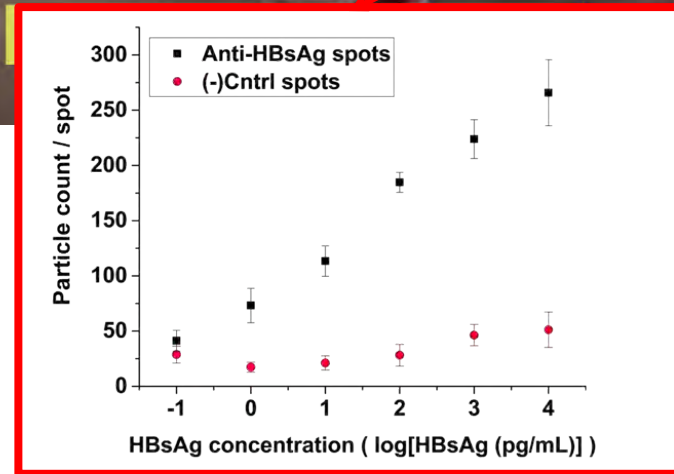


Digitally detected and counted Au-nanorods captured on the spot

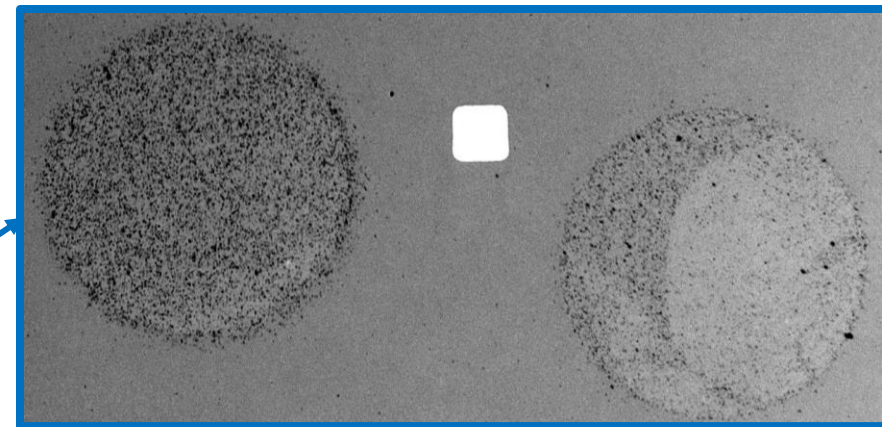


100 μm

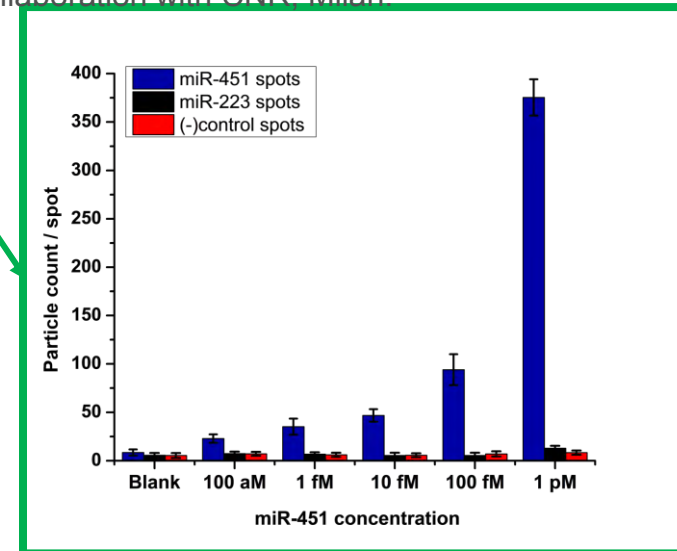
Application Areas



Detecting infectious disease biomarkers before the onset of an immune response. HBsAg detected at 1,000X better sensitivity than commercial assays. Funded by Aselsan.



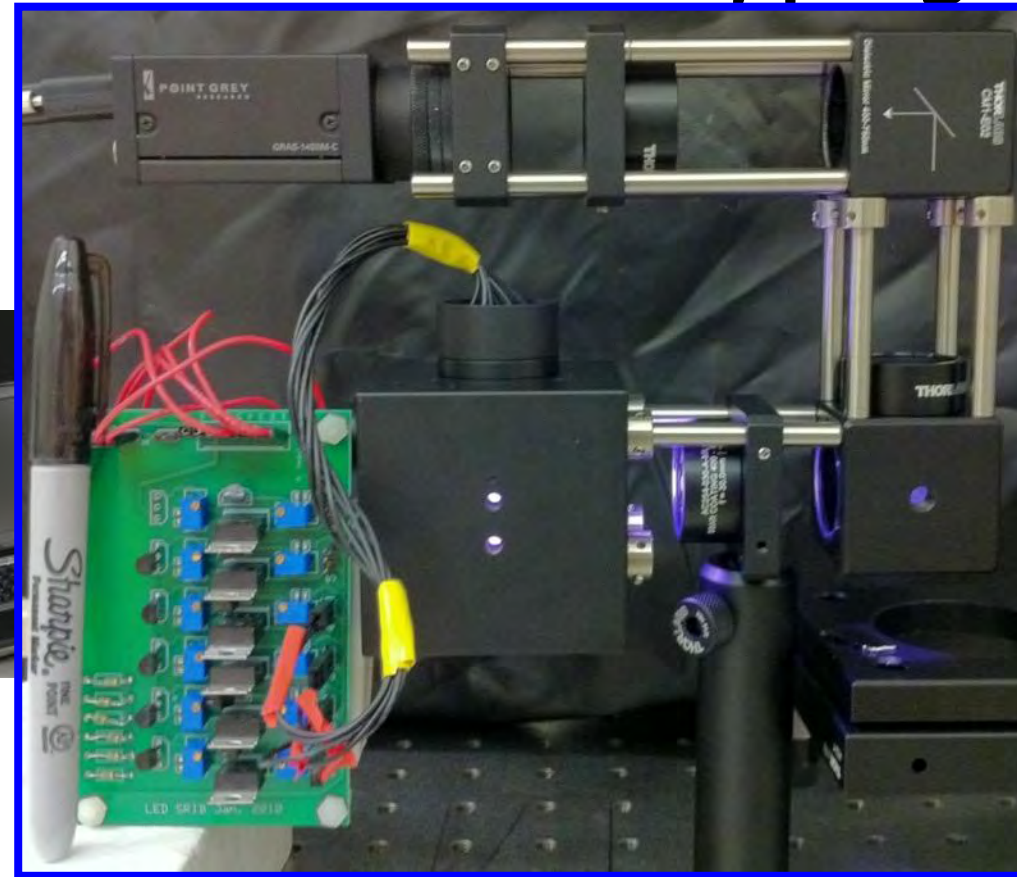
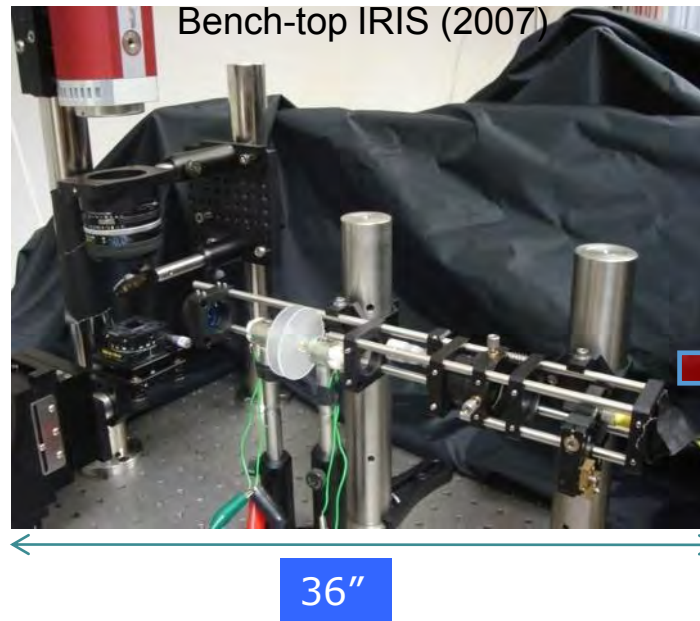
Detecting cancer biomarkers at ultra-low levels and rare mutations - potential to enable new options for diagnostics and treatment in cancer research. KRAS mutation detection (colorectal cancer). Work in collaboration with CNR Milan



Detecting minute changes in cardiac biomarkers – at-risk patients identified earlier in their disease progression to guide more personalized care. miR-451 is a cardiac biomarker. Work in collaboration with Umass Medical.



System Maturation and Prototyping



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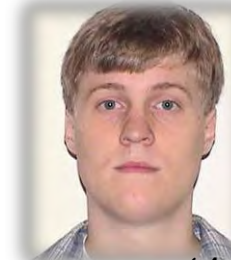


LED-based Interferometric Reflectance Imaging Sensor for quantitative dynamic monitoring of biomolecular interactions

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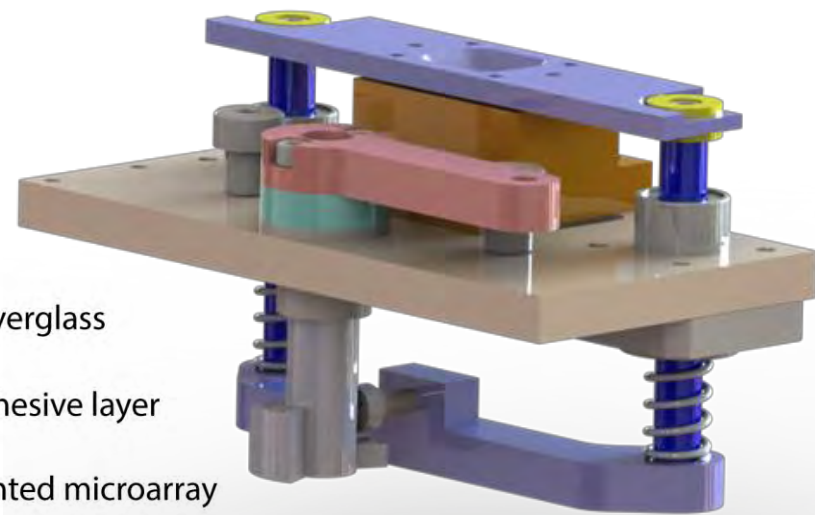
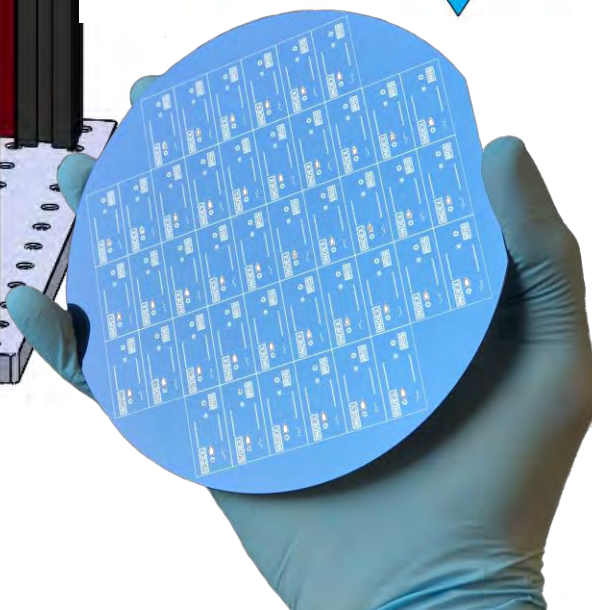
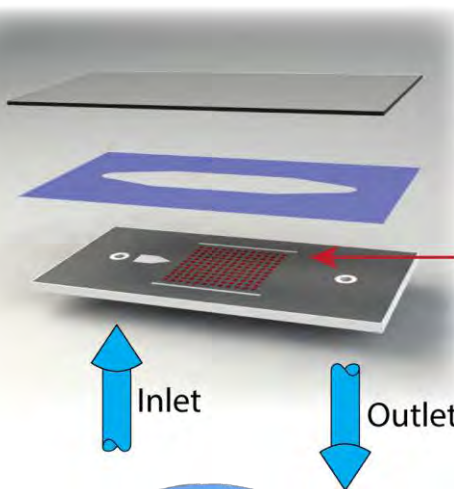
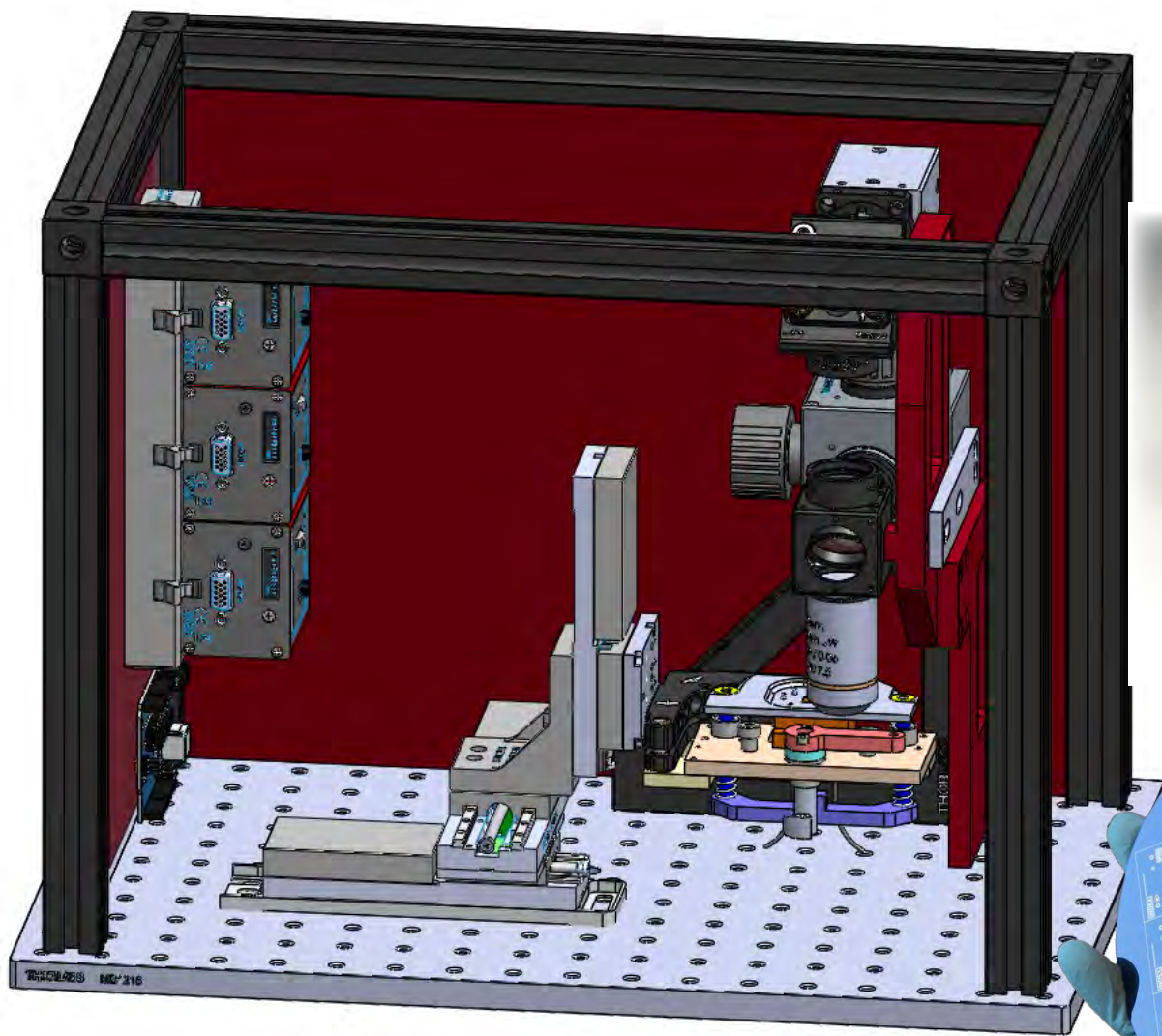


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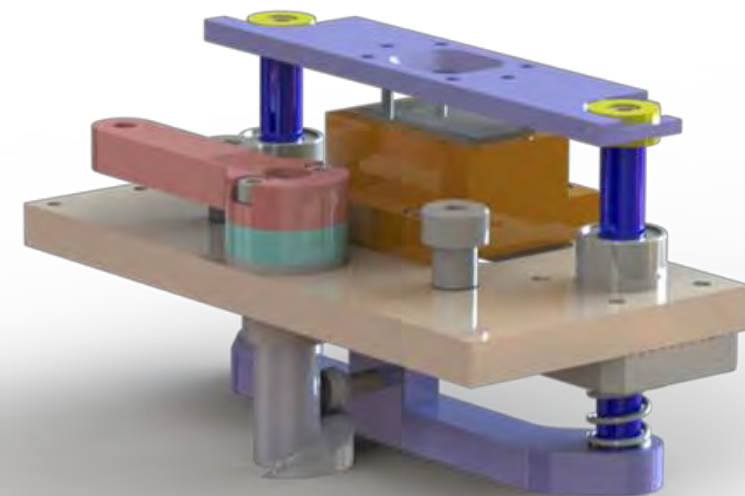


Coverglass

Adhesive layer

Printed microarray

IRIS chip



Commercialization



**Count, Size and
Phenotype the
Invisible**

Direct from sample, label-free characterization of
Extracellular Vesicles with no purification required.

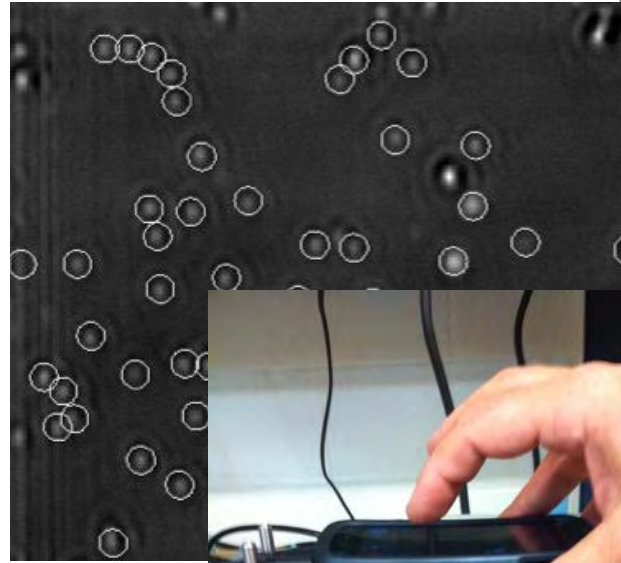
CONCLUSIONS & FUTURE

- Optical interference is a very powerful sensing technique.
- Multi-disciplinary innovation
- Single biological nanoparticle detection / counting / size and shape discrimination / visualization
- **Goals:**
 - Lateral resolution of $\sim 100\text{nm}$ without labeling
 - Sub-fM multiplexed detection of RNA, DNA and proteins



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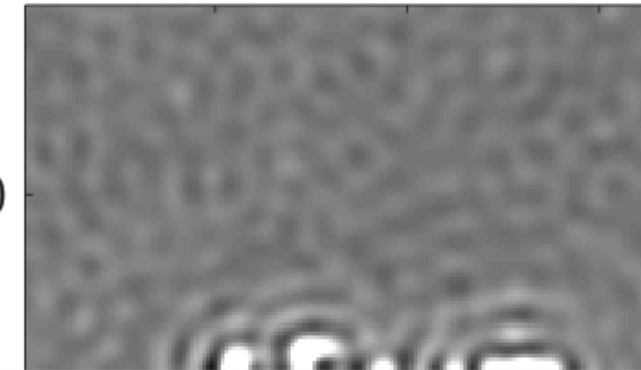
INTEGRATED NANOPARTICLE ISOLATION AND
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ANALYSIS OF EXOSOMES



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Reconstructed DPC image



(a)

