

Morpho-mechanical study of 3D cellular assemblies with confocal Brillouin light scattering

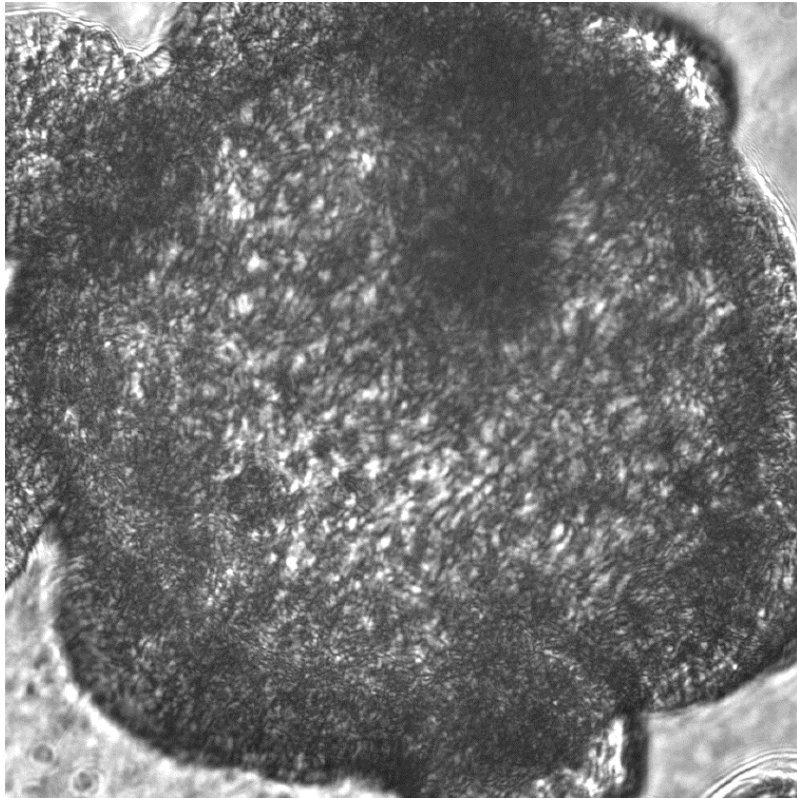
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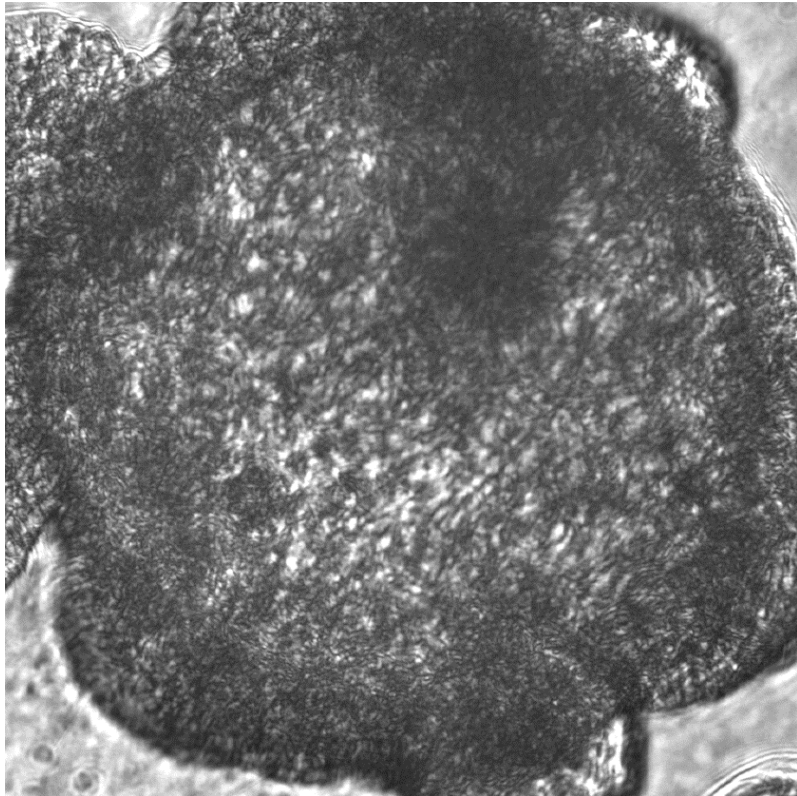
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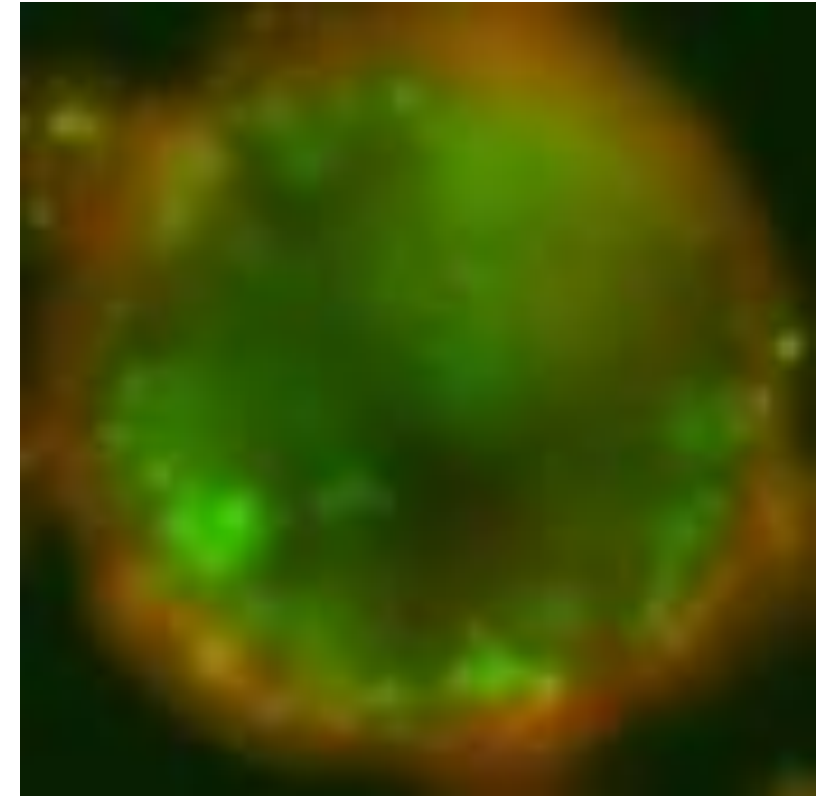
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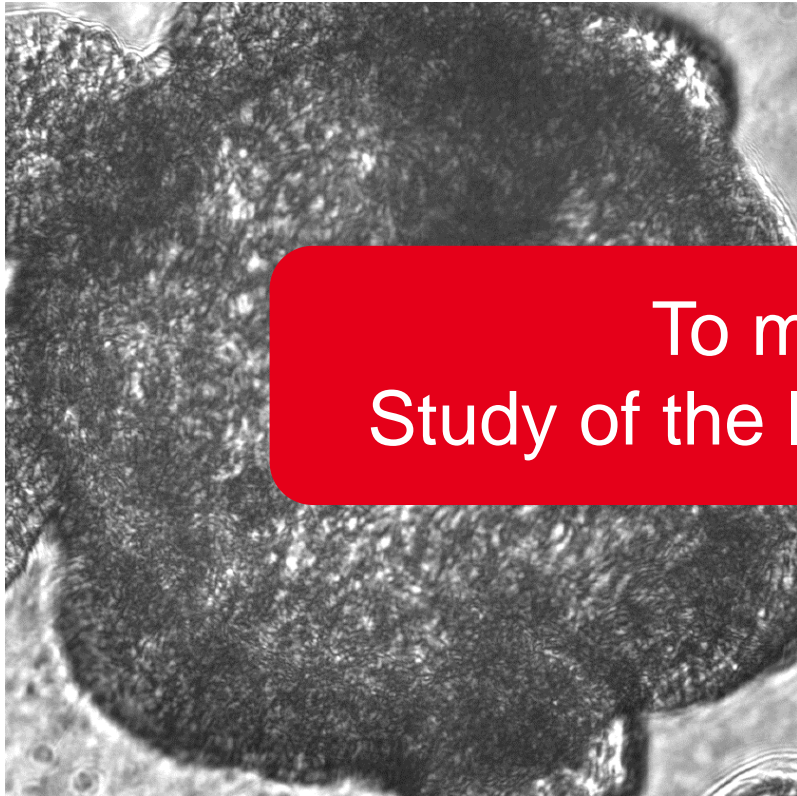
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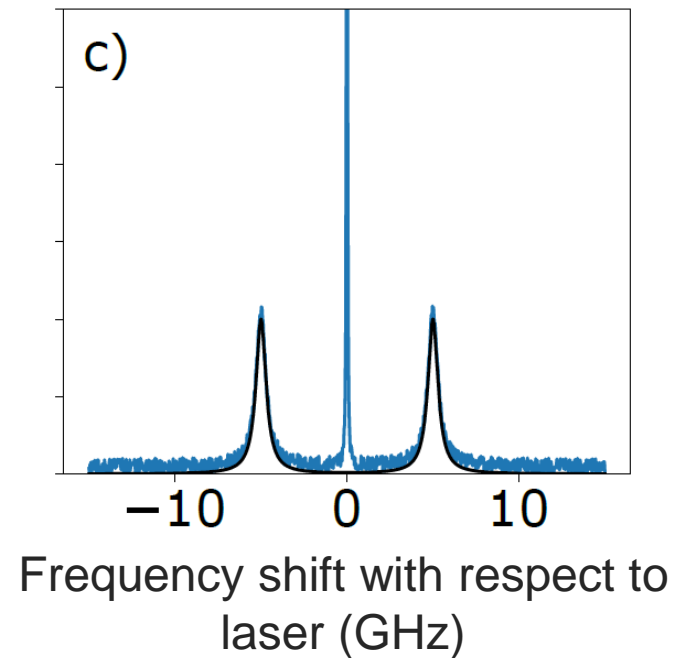
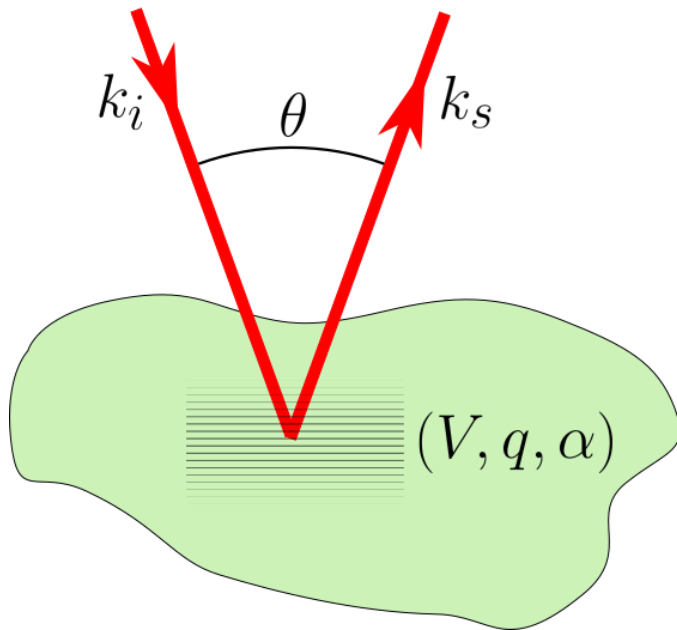
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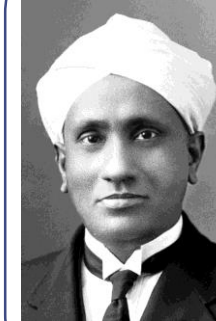
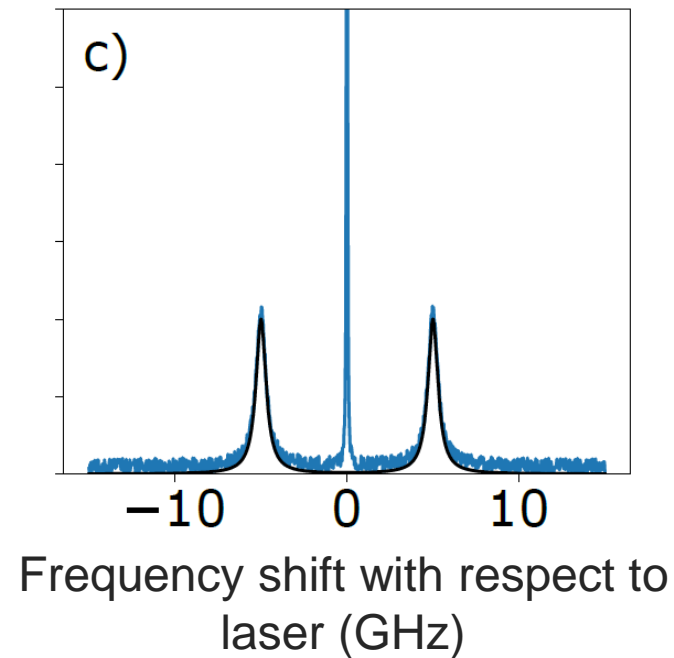
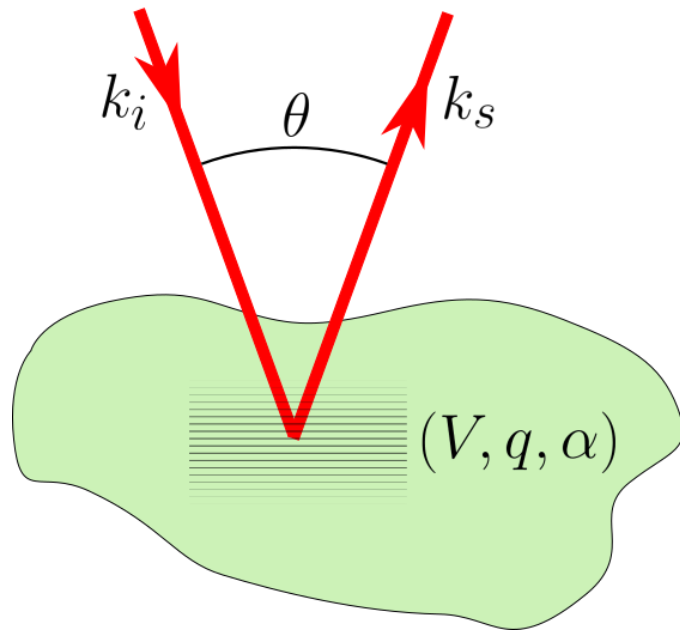
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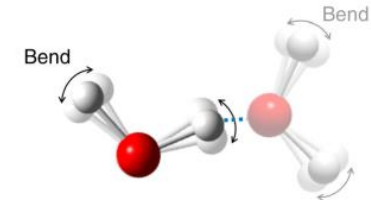
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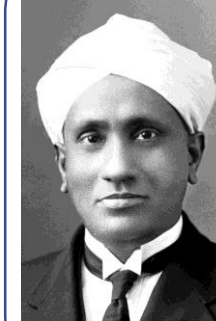
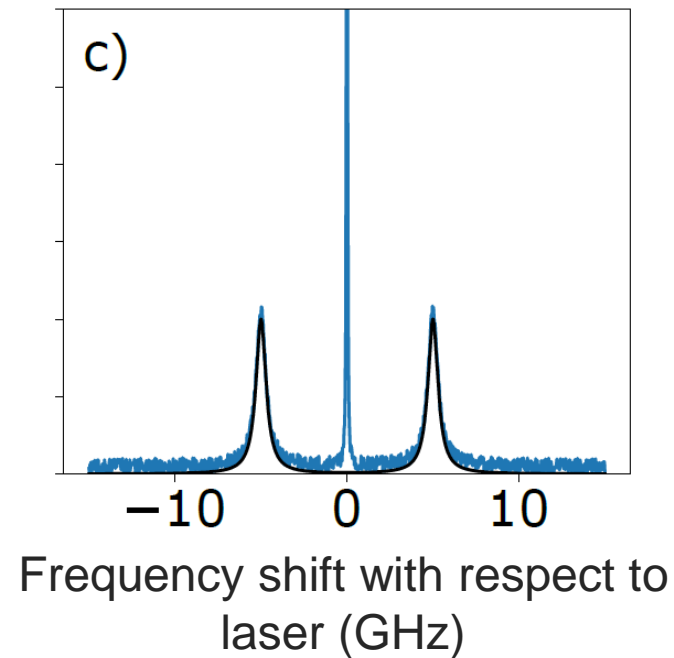
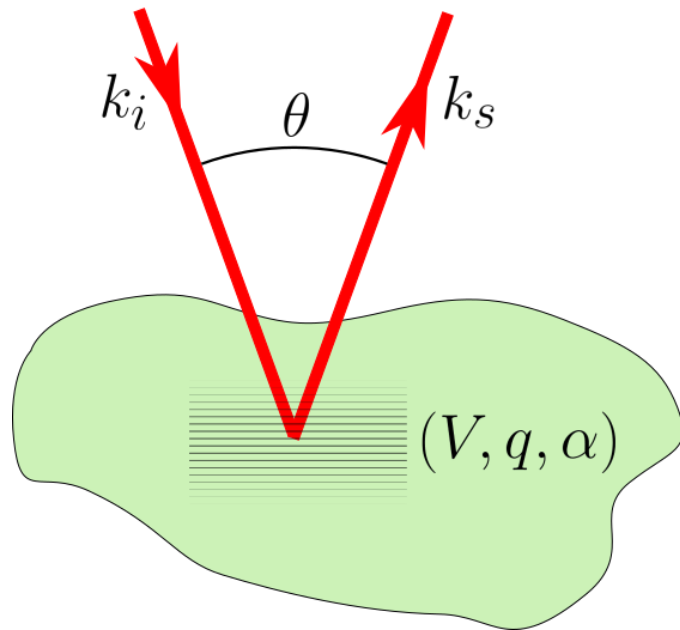
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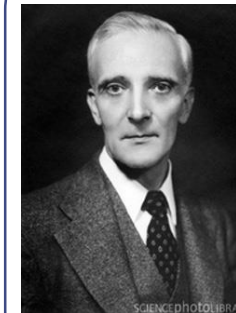
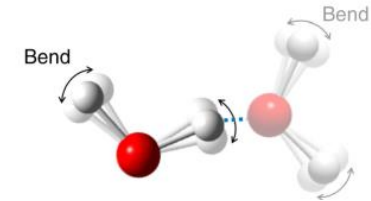
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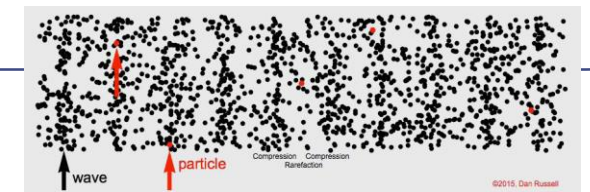
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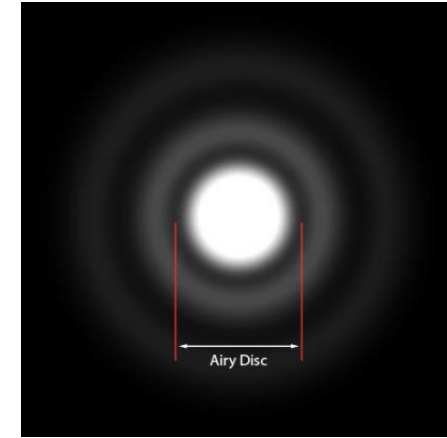
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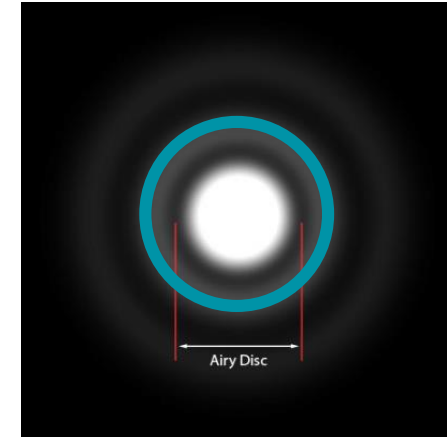


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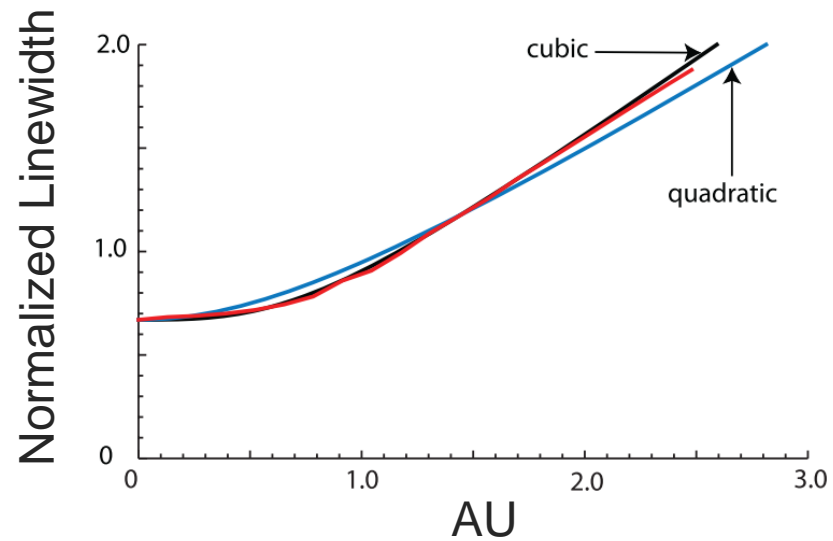
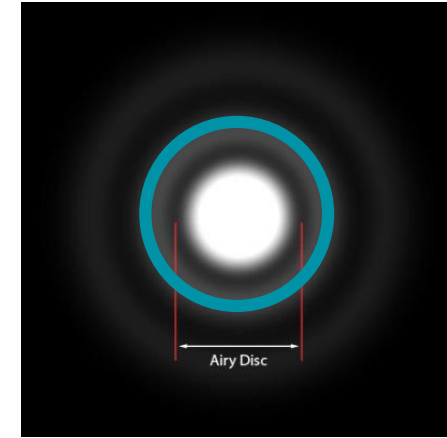


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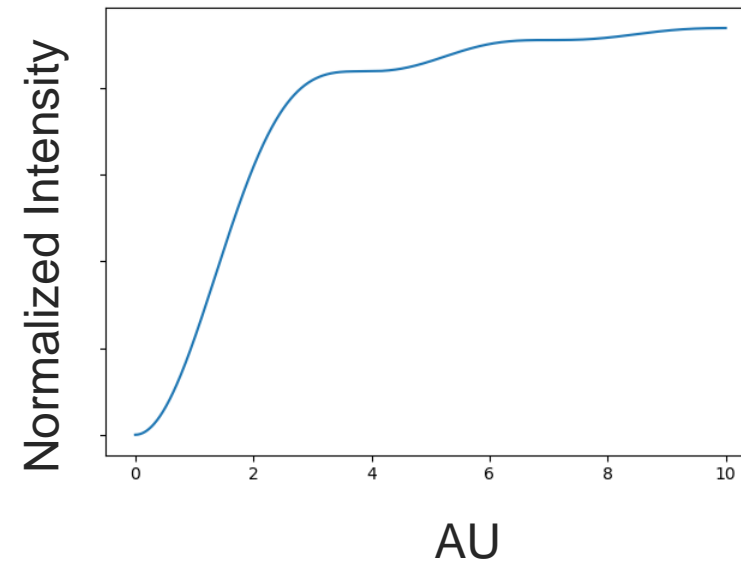
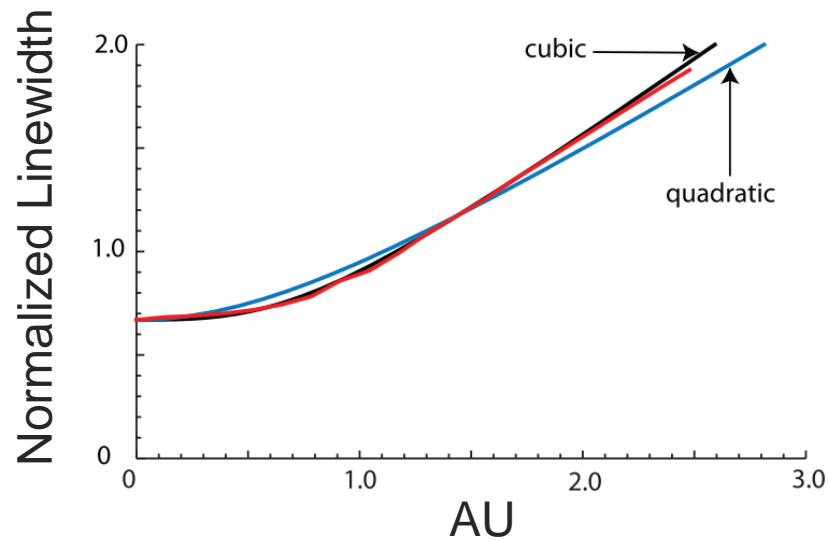
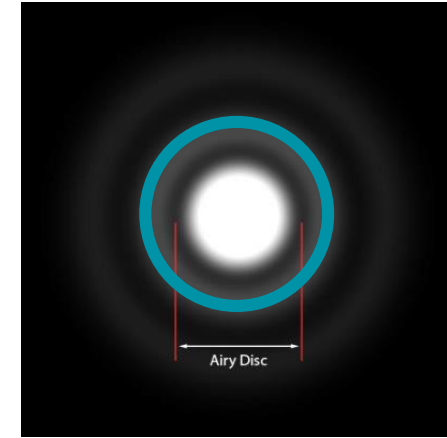


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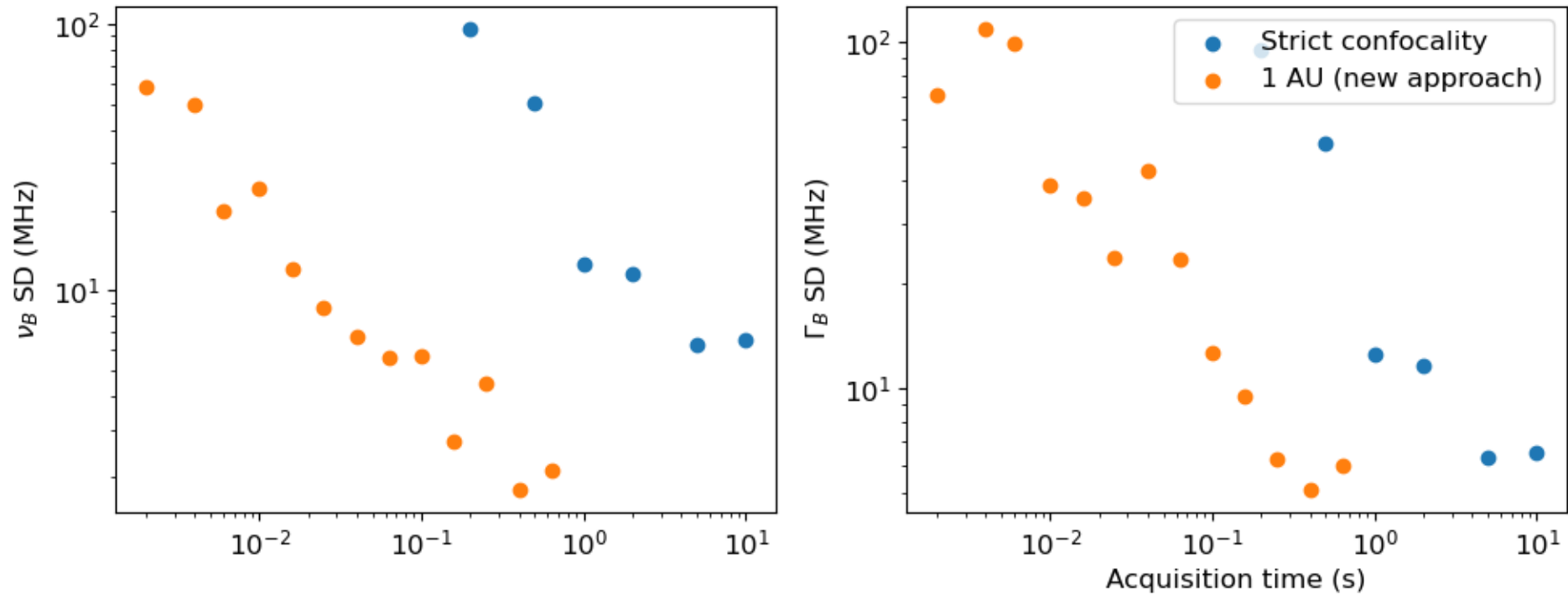


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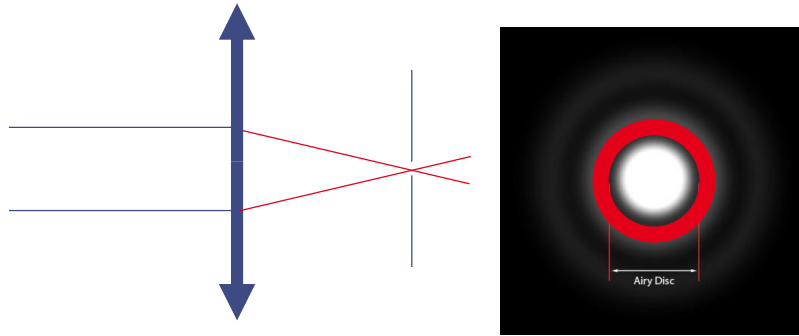
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Comparison of approaches

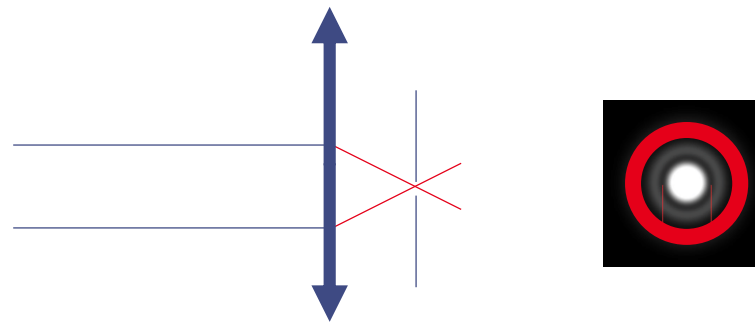
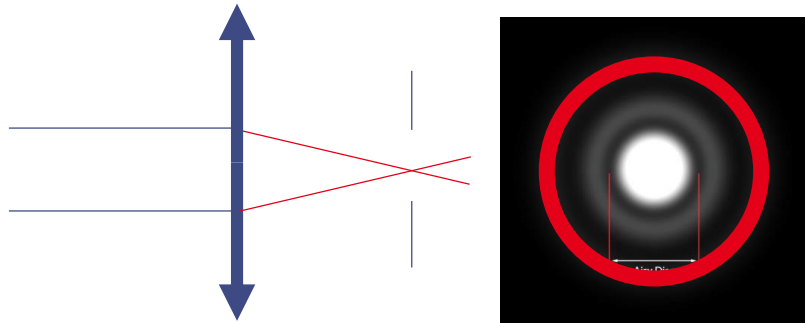
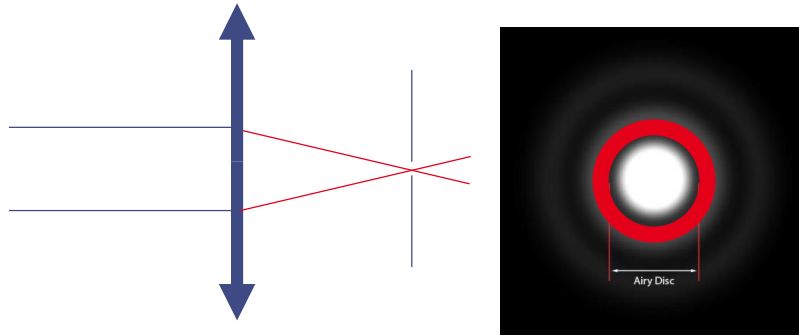


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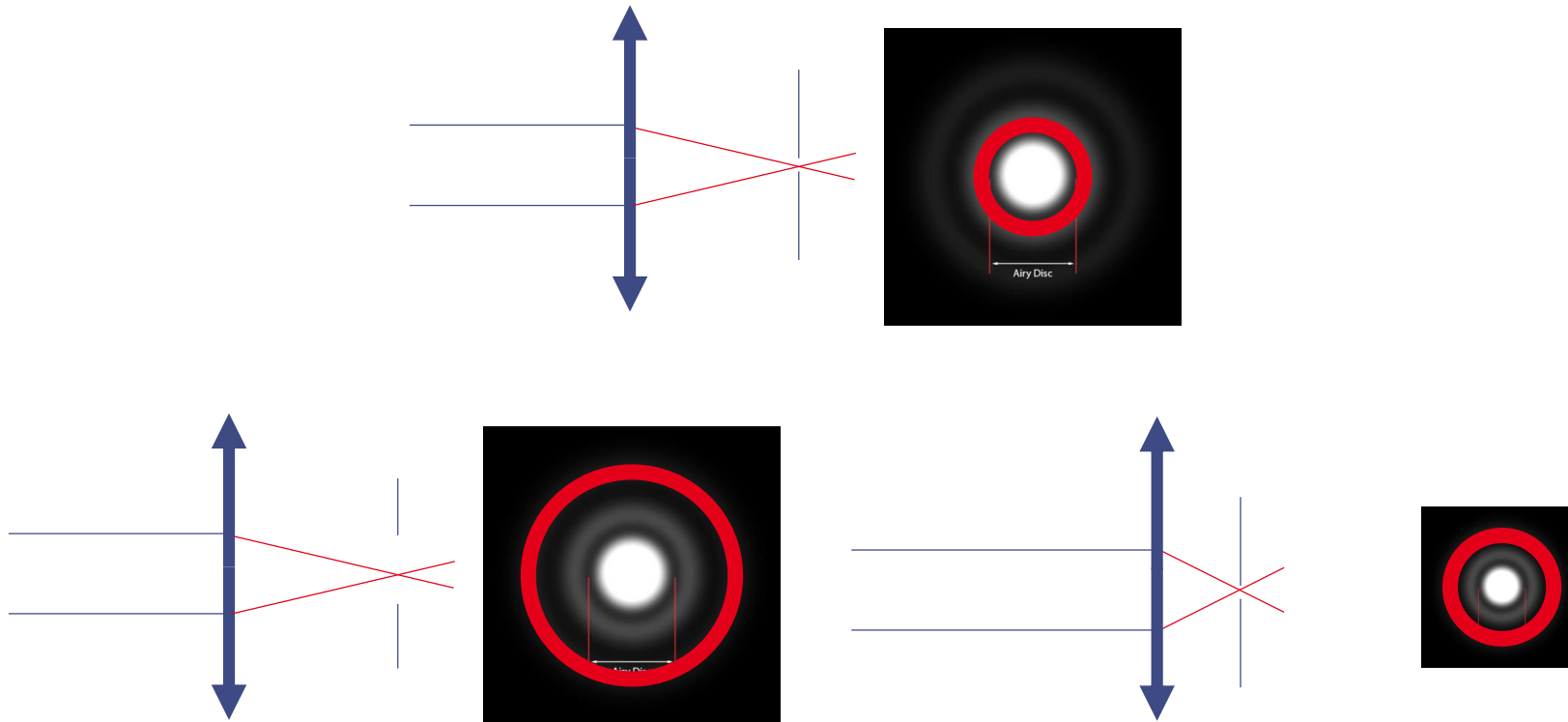
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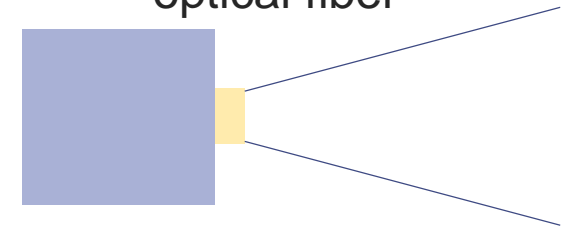
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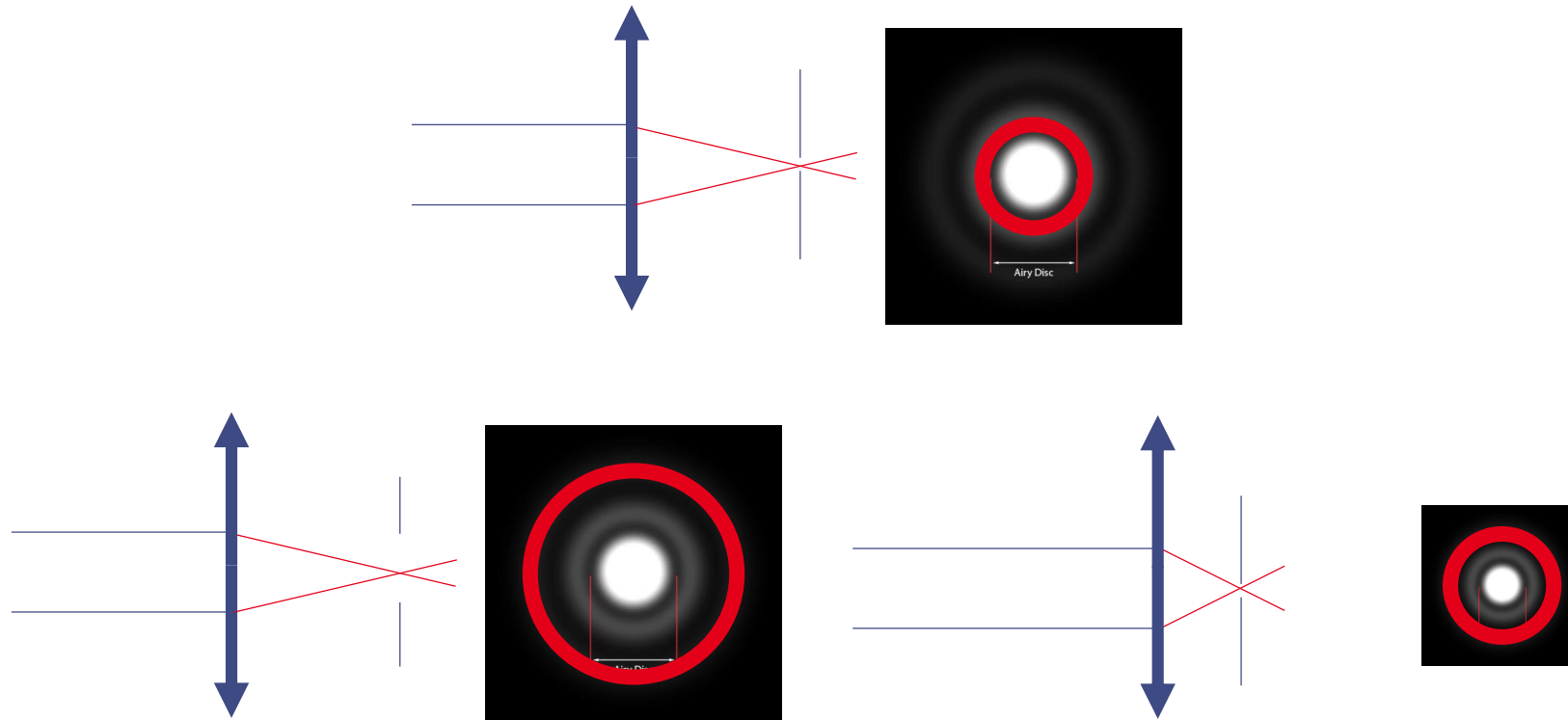
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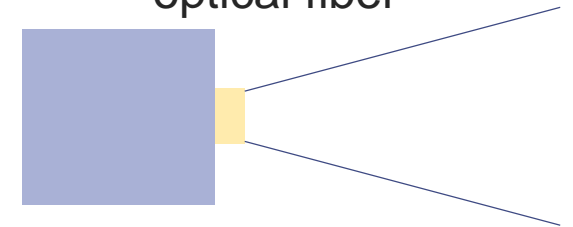
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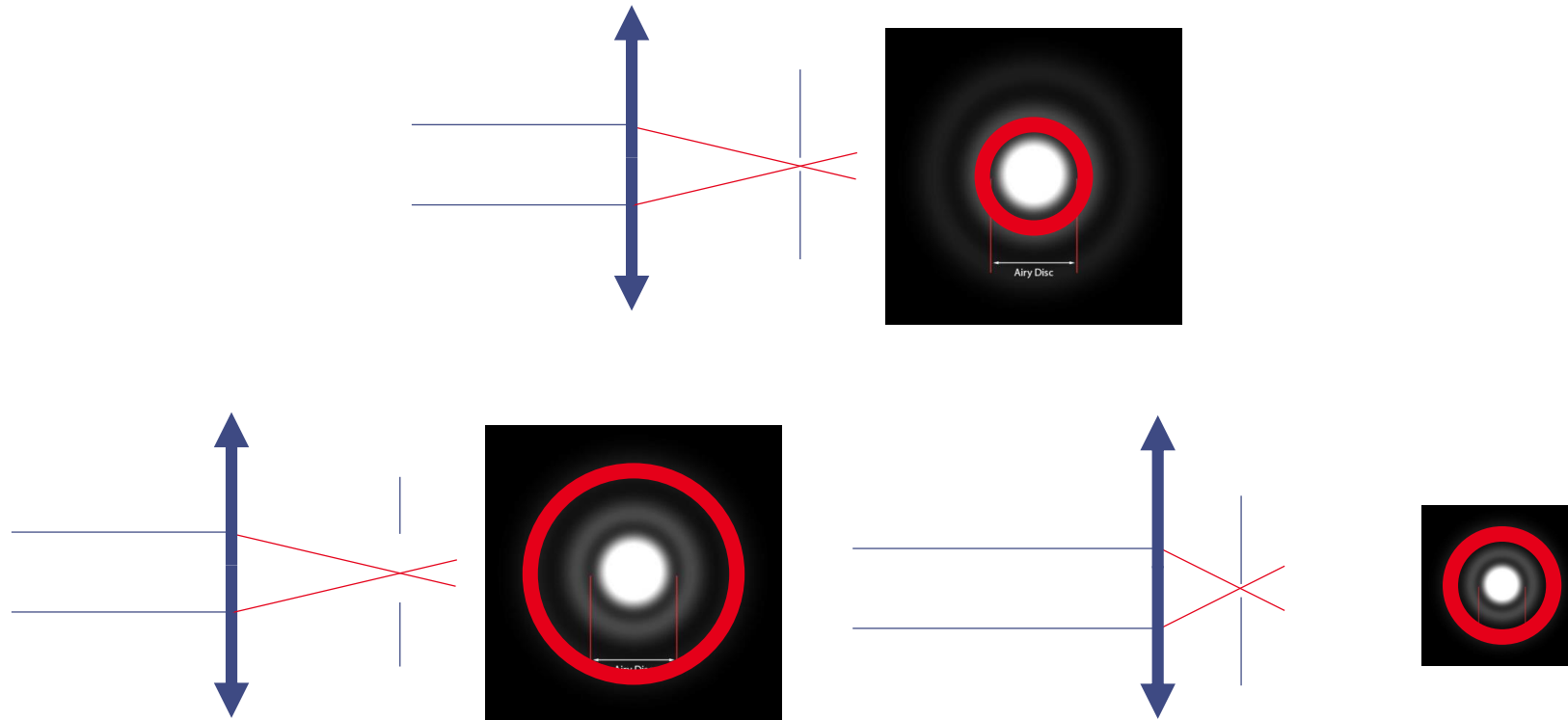


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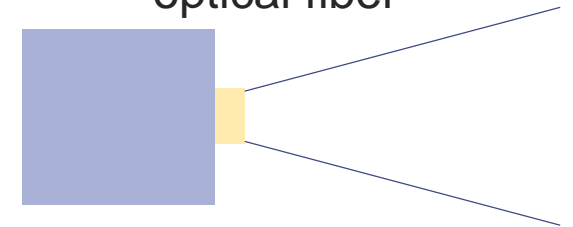


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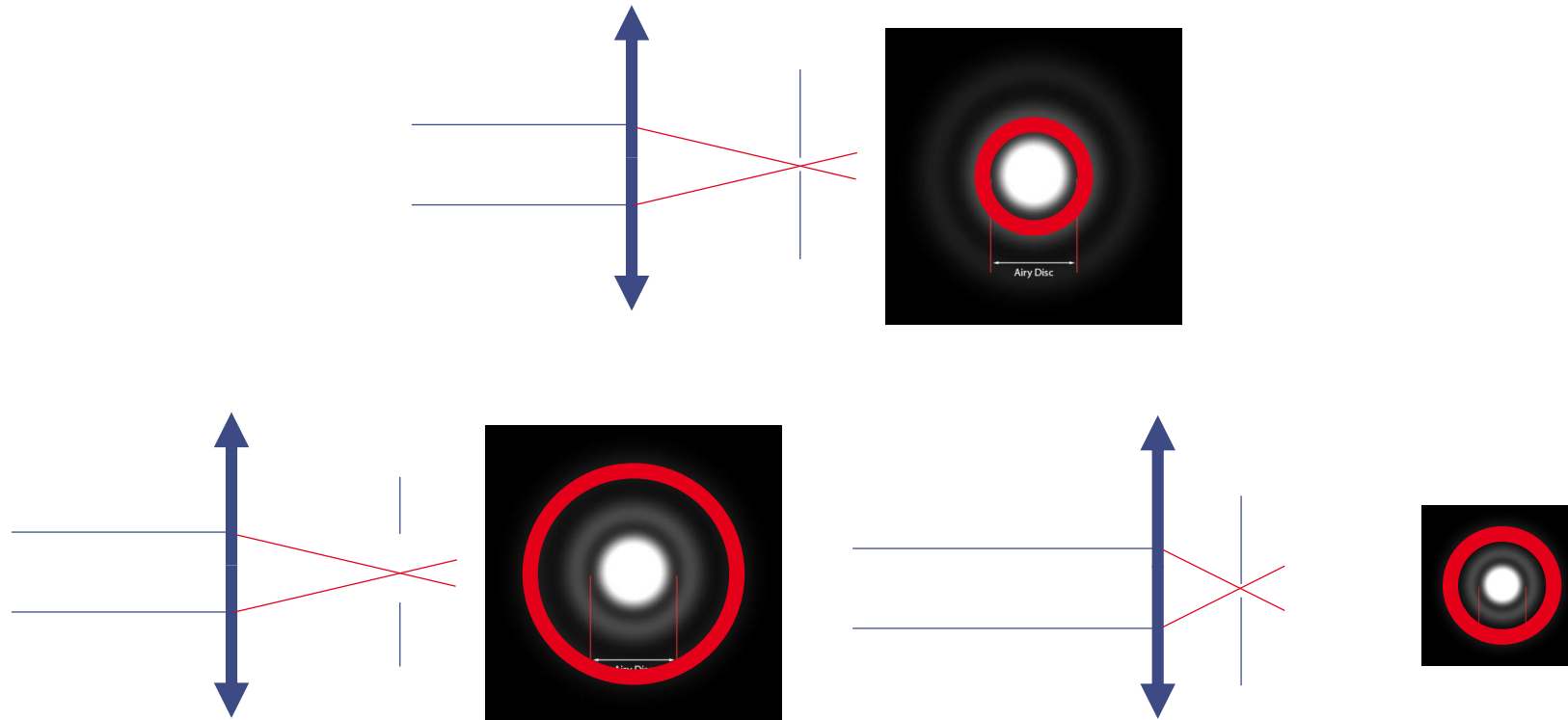
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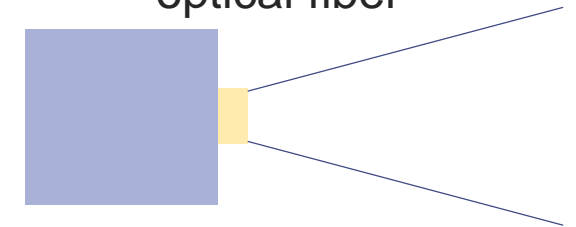
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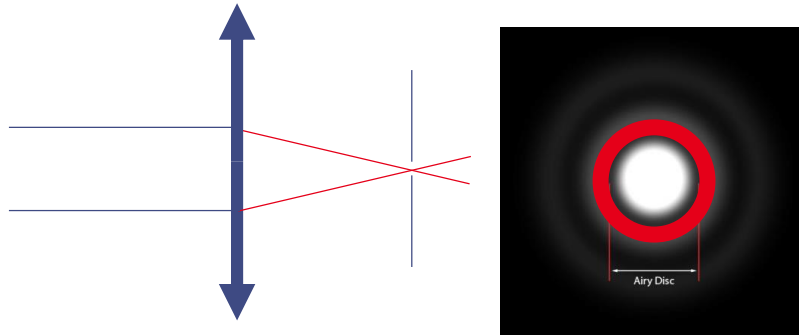


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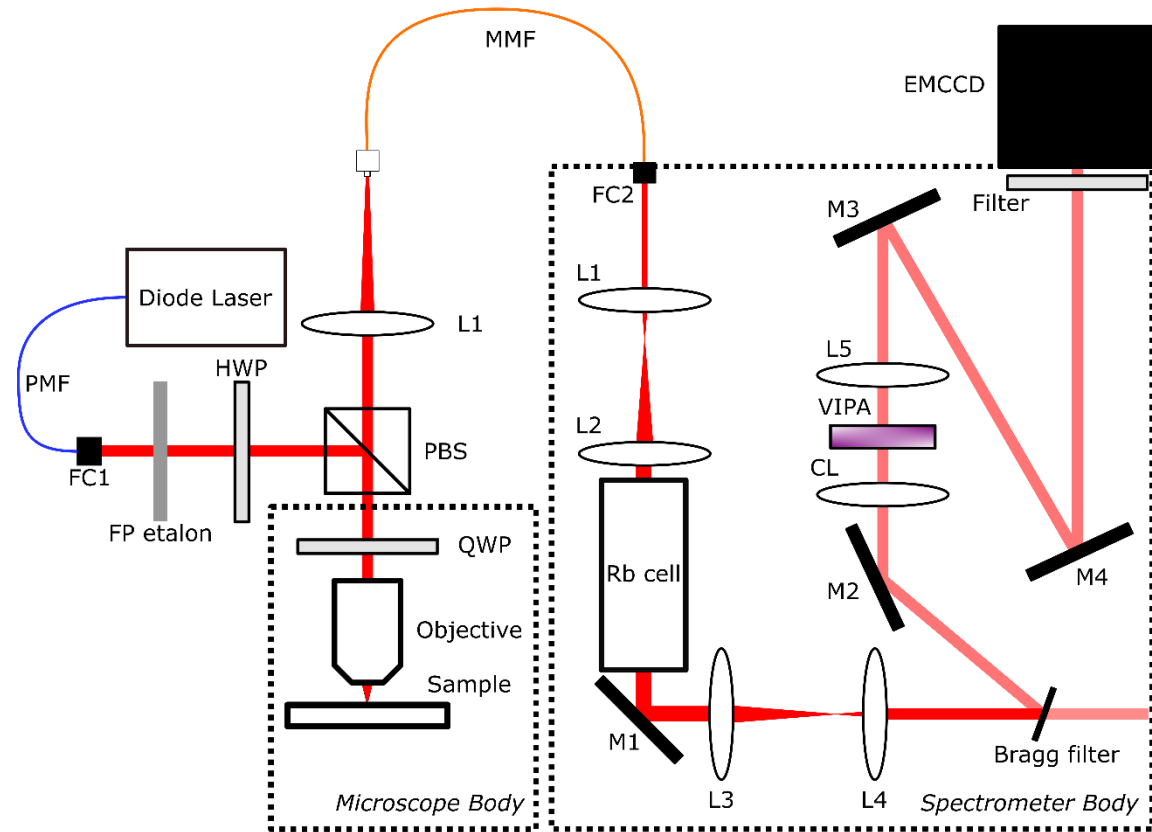
Can we use a multimode fiber in a Brillouin spectrometer?

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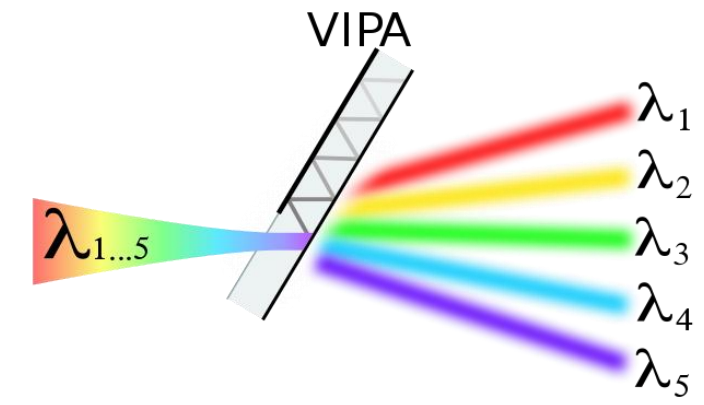
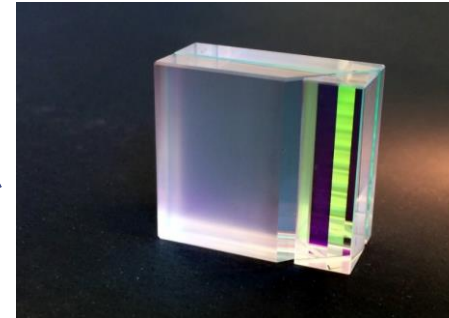
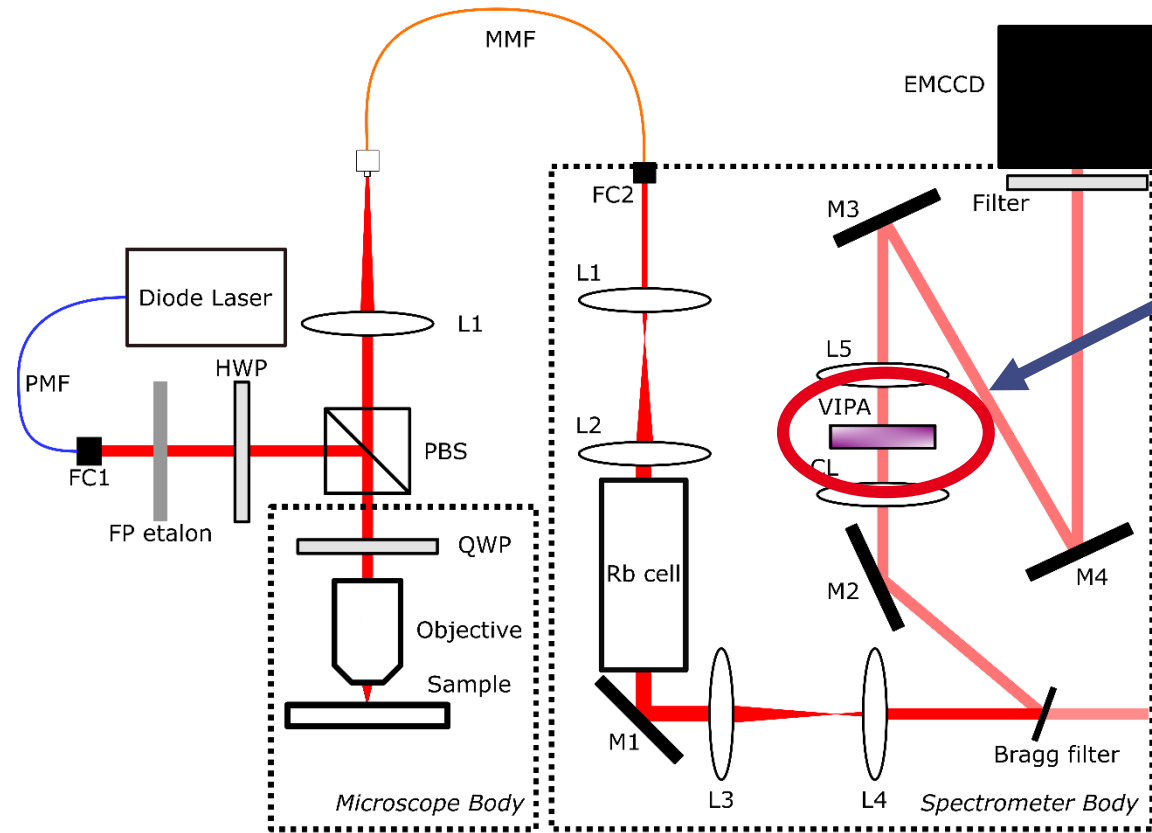
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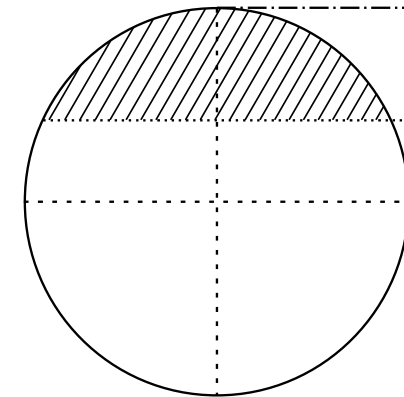
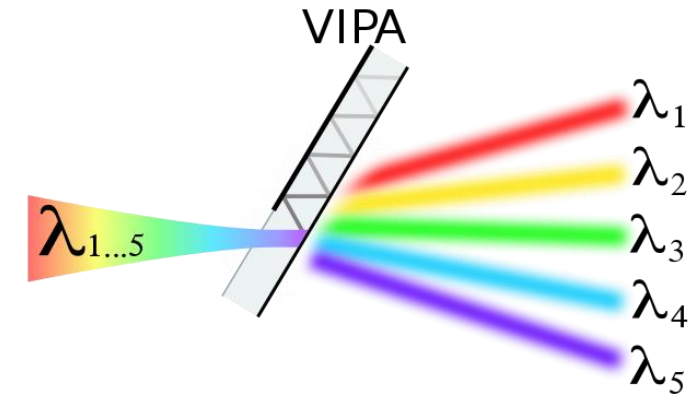
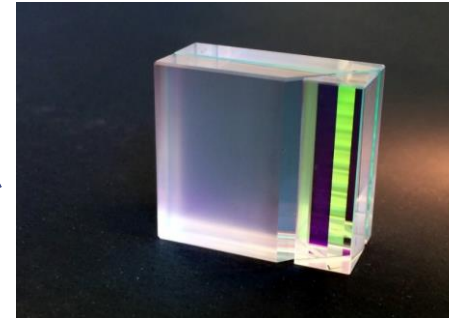
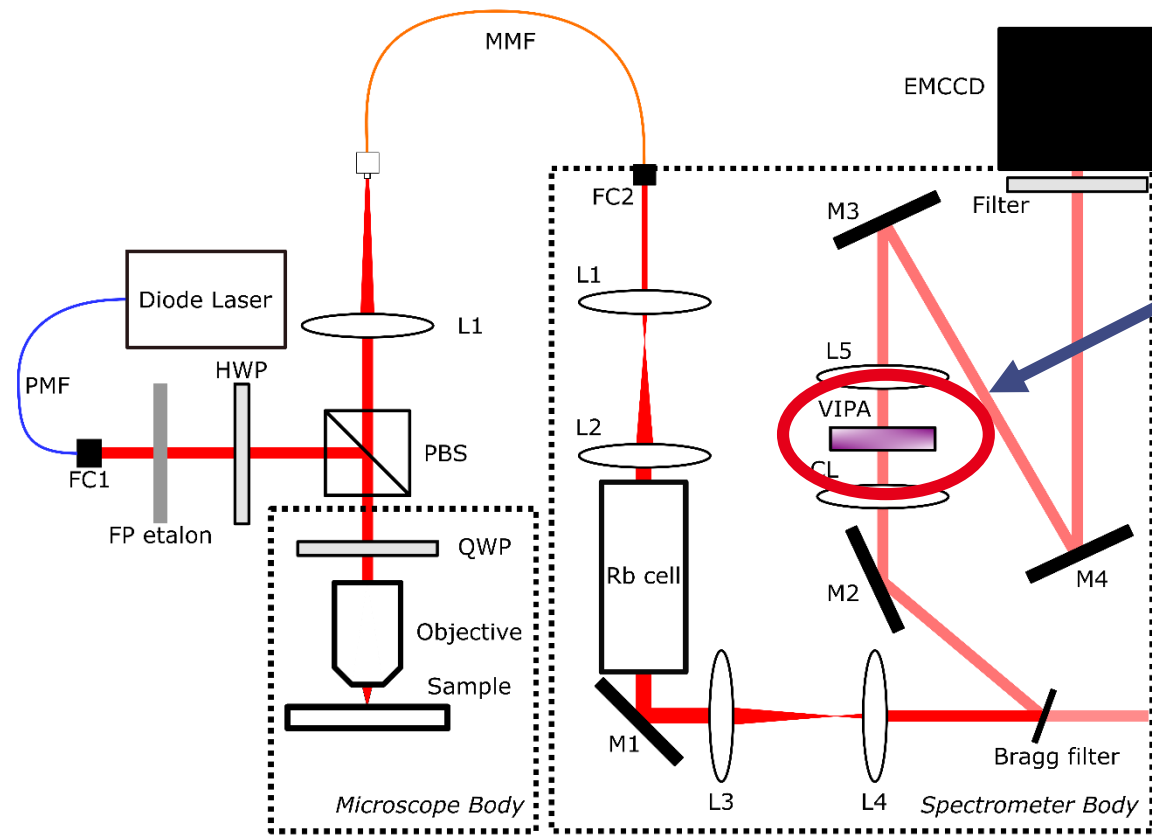
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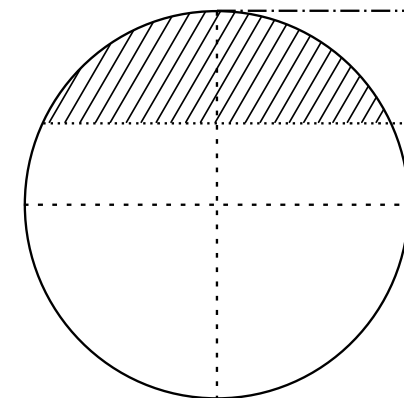
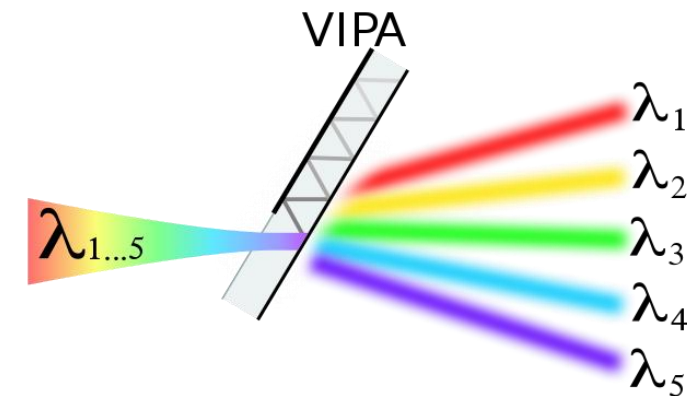
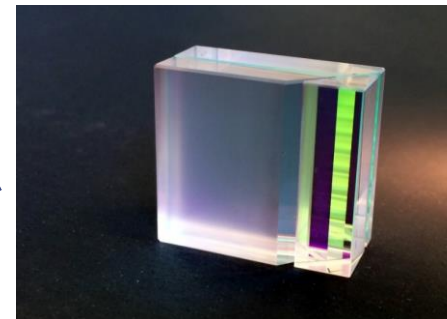
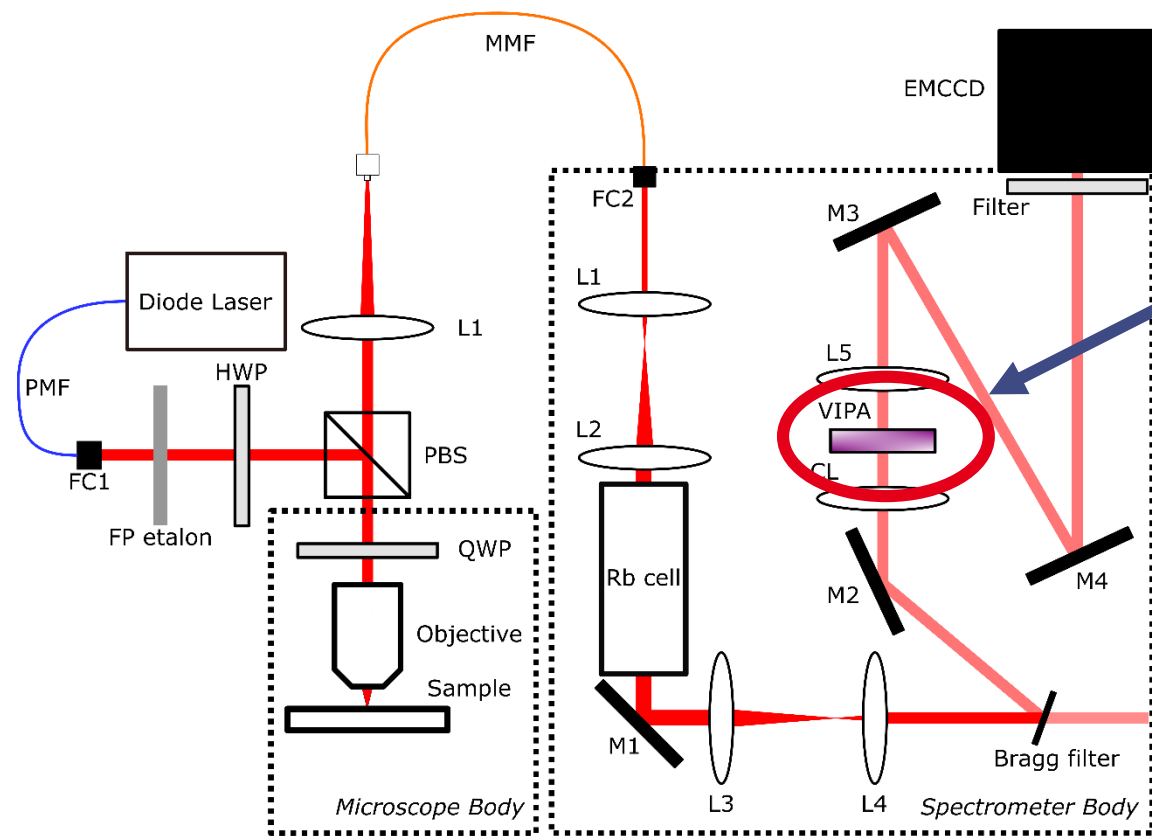


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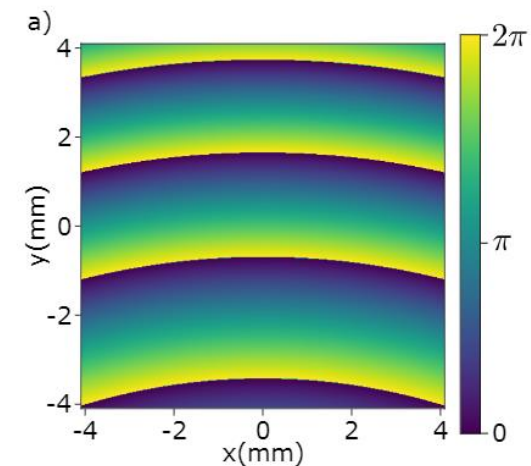


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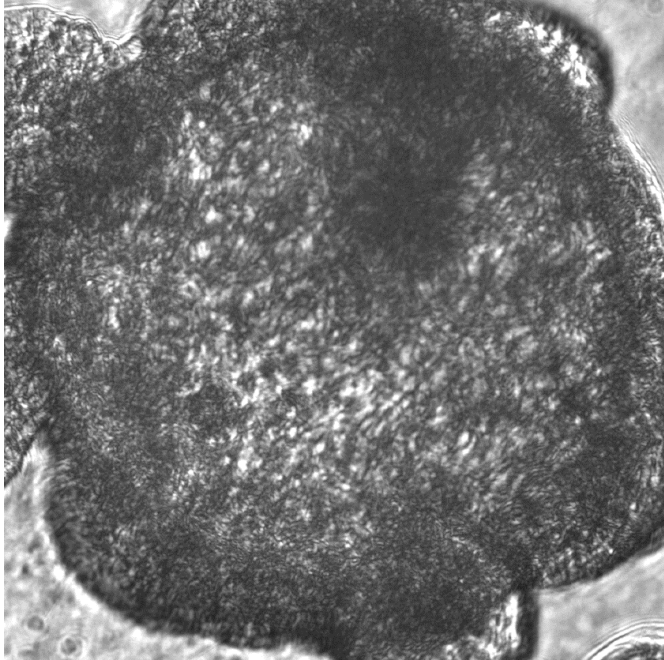


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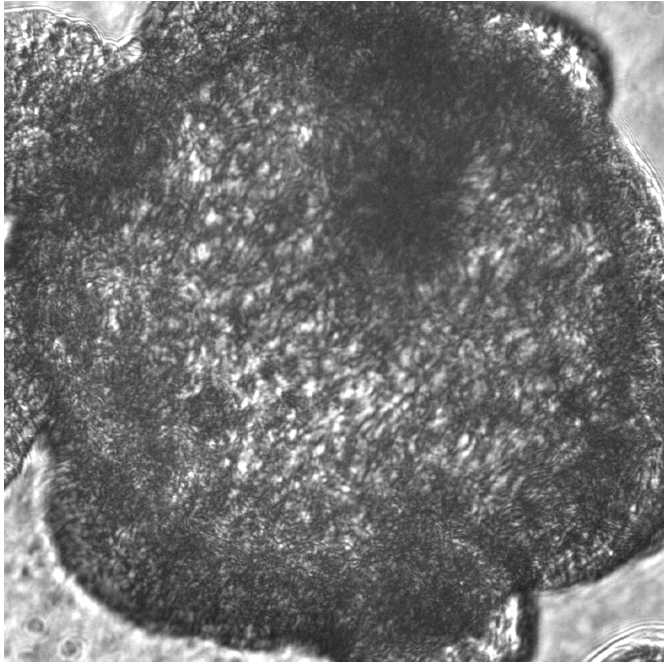
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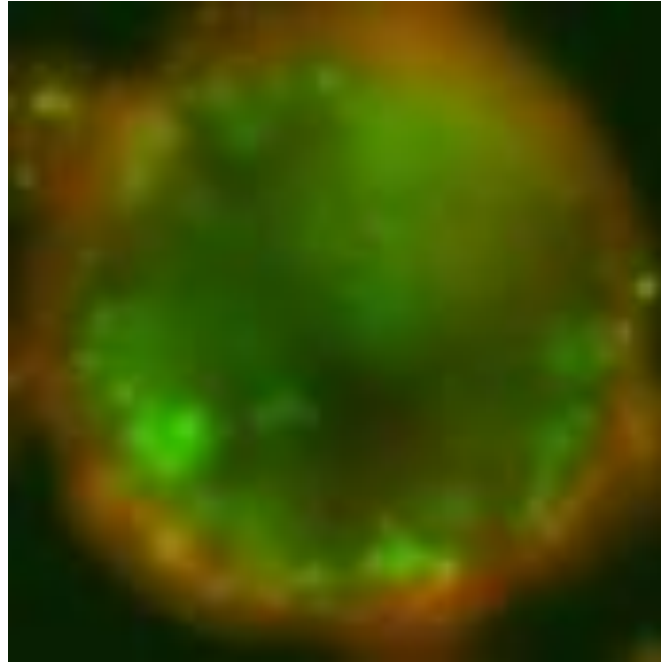
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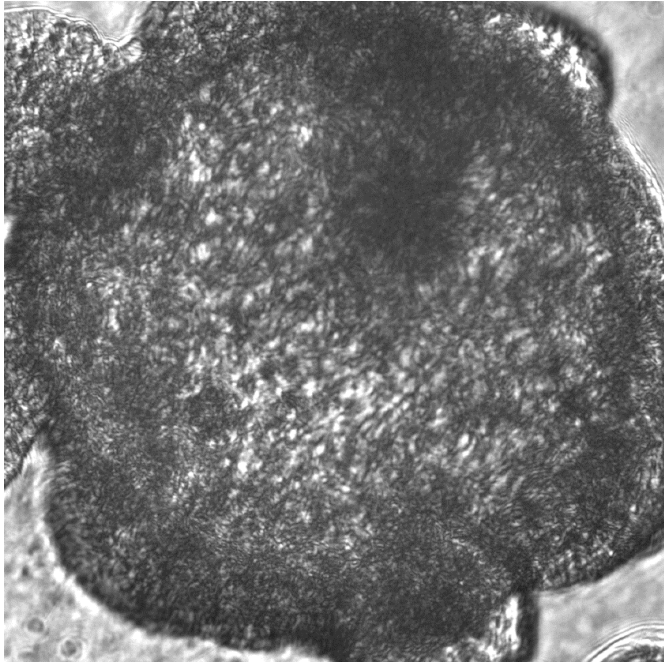
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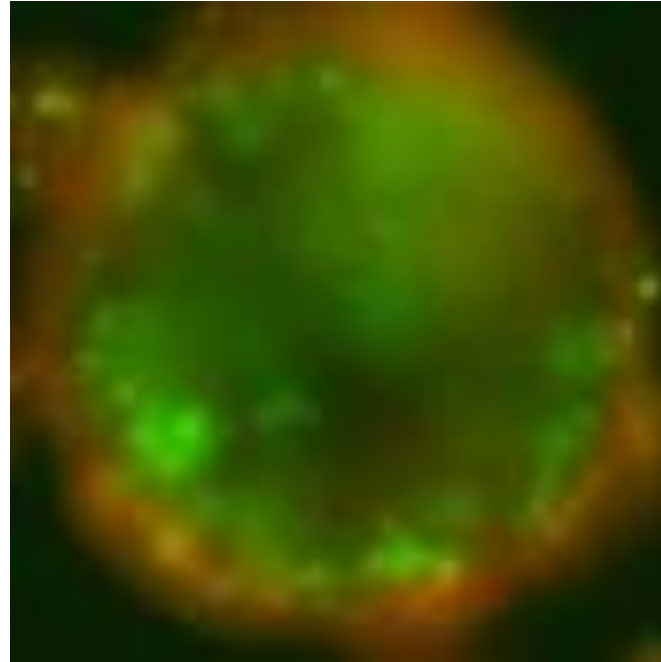
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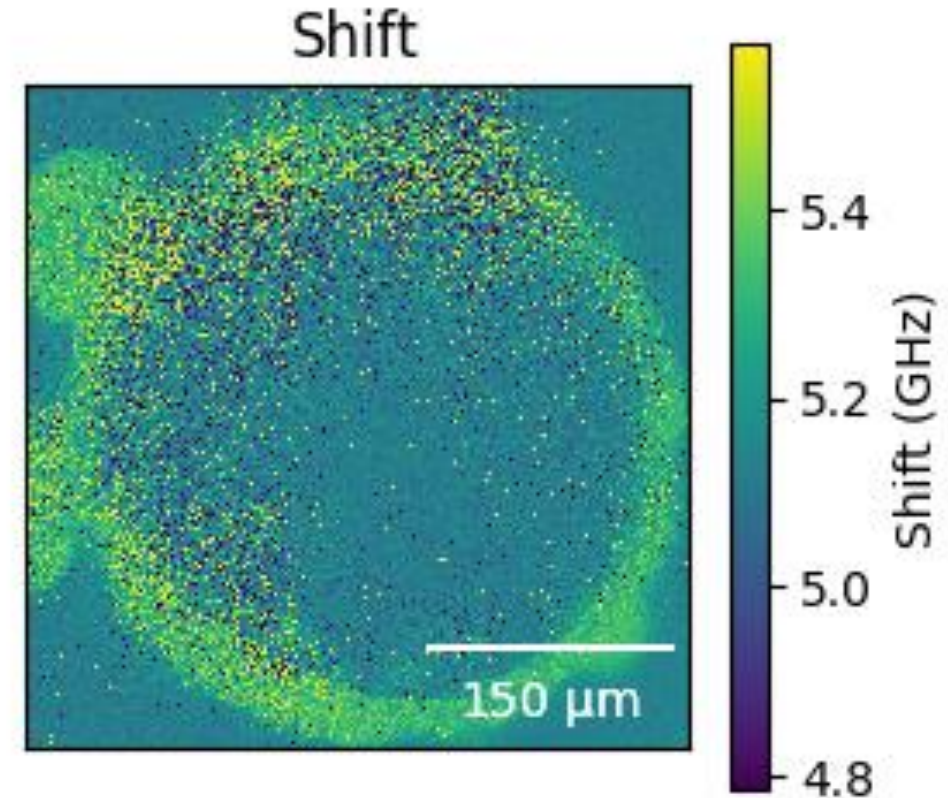
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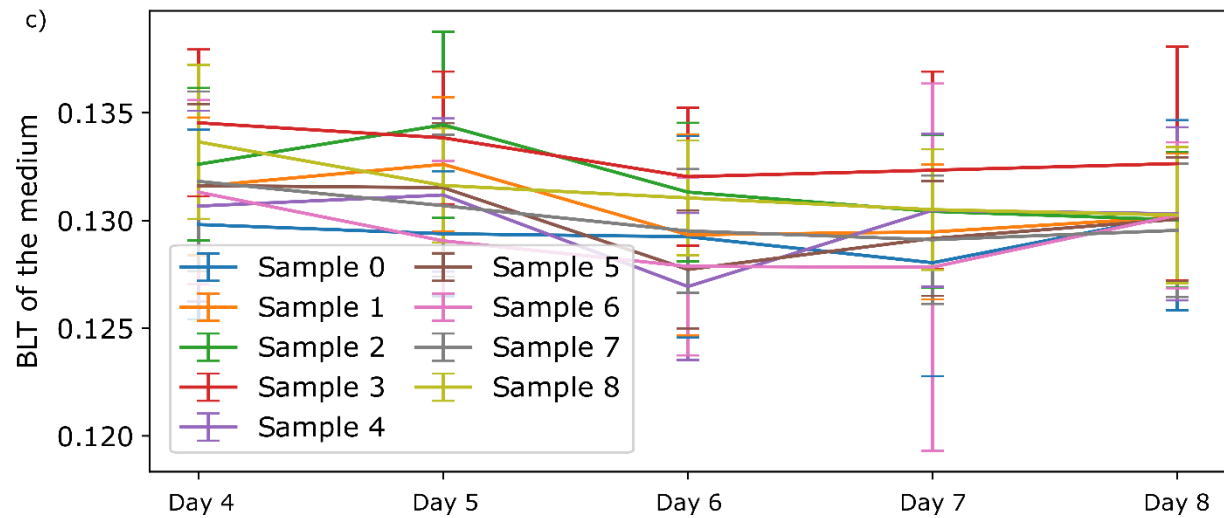
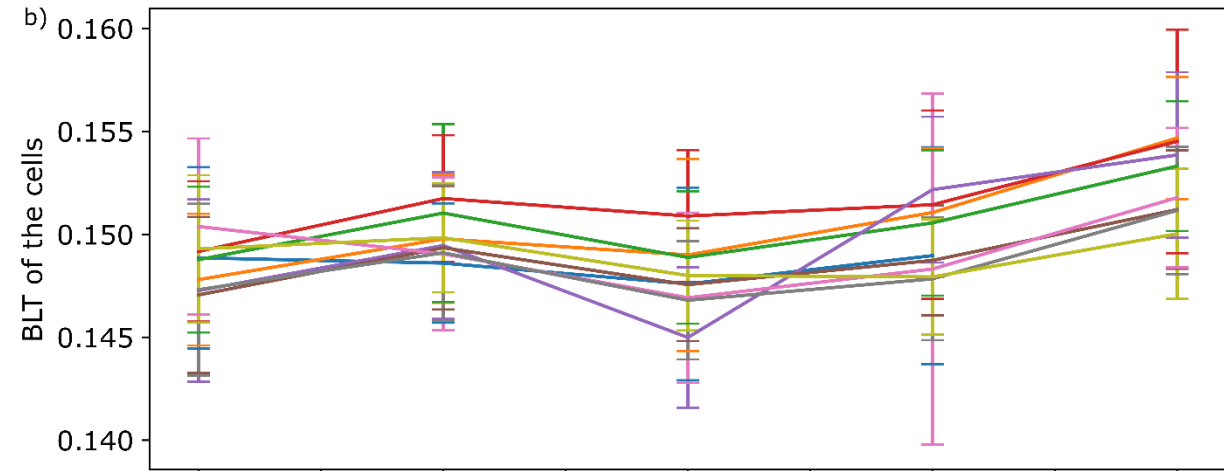
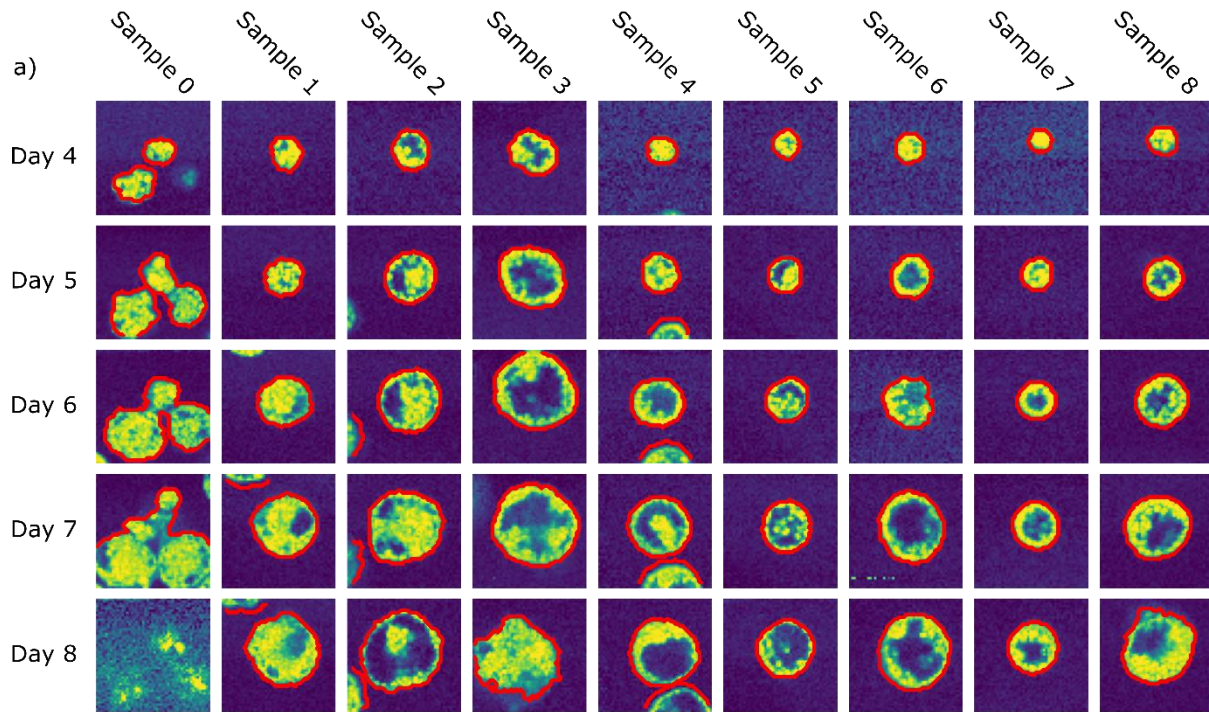
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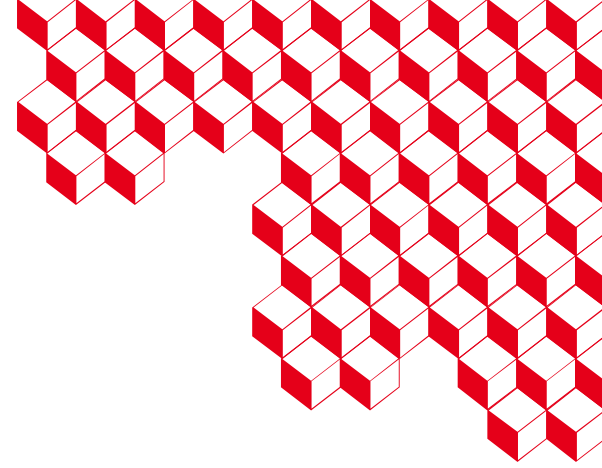
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