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# Multiphoton Imaging of the Retina

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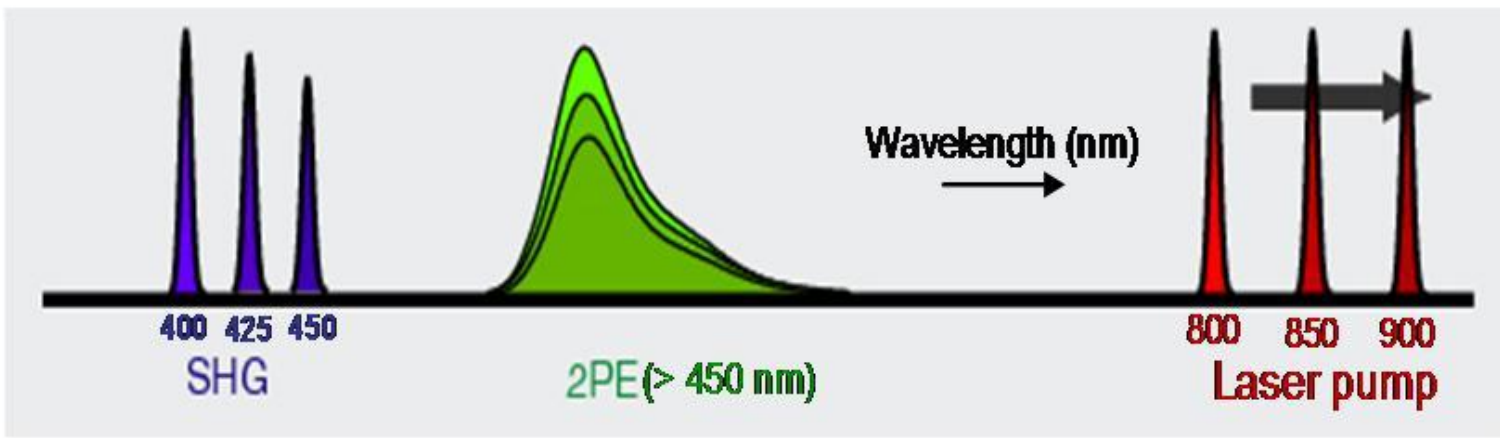
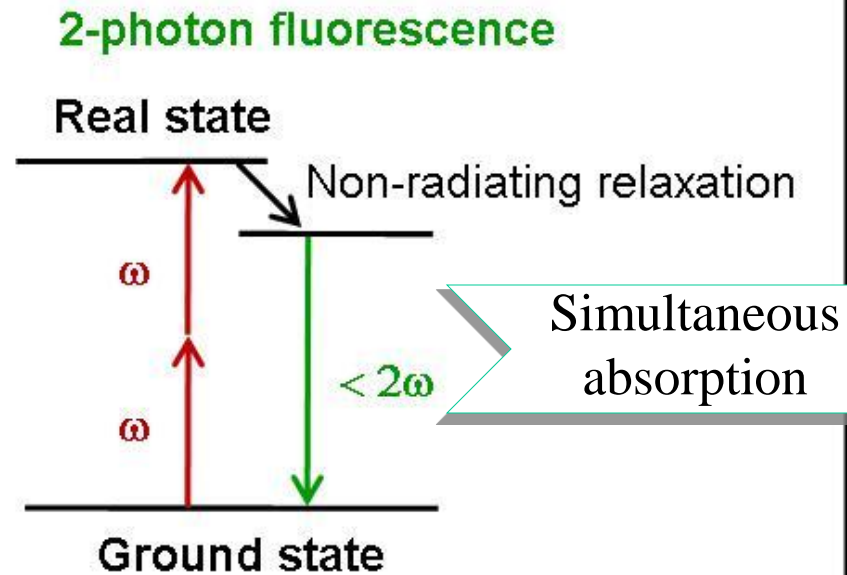
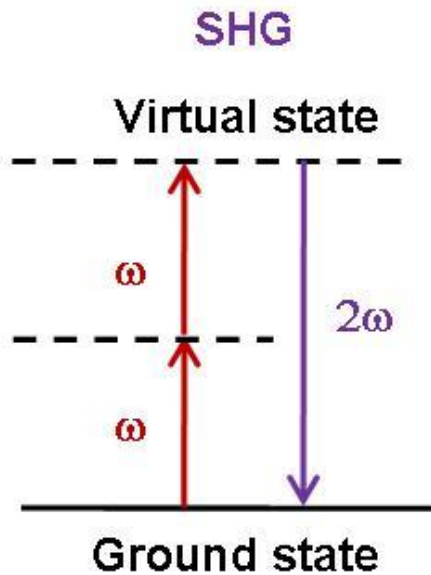
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- Principle of Two-Photon Imaging
- Second Harmonic Generation Imaging (SHGi)
- Two Photon Excited Fluorescence (TPEF)
- In Vivo 500mW Two-Photon Ophthalmoscope
- Adaptive Optics Two-Photon Ophthalmoscope



# Principle of two photon imaging





# What is SHG?

**SHG = Second Harmonic Generation**

**Second order nonlinear optical process**

**Two photons are effectively "combined" to form a new photon with twice the energy and therefore twice the frequency**

**Prerequisites: laser light, non-centrosymmetric media**

## Why SHG?

**Non invasive**

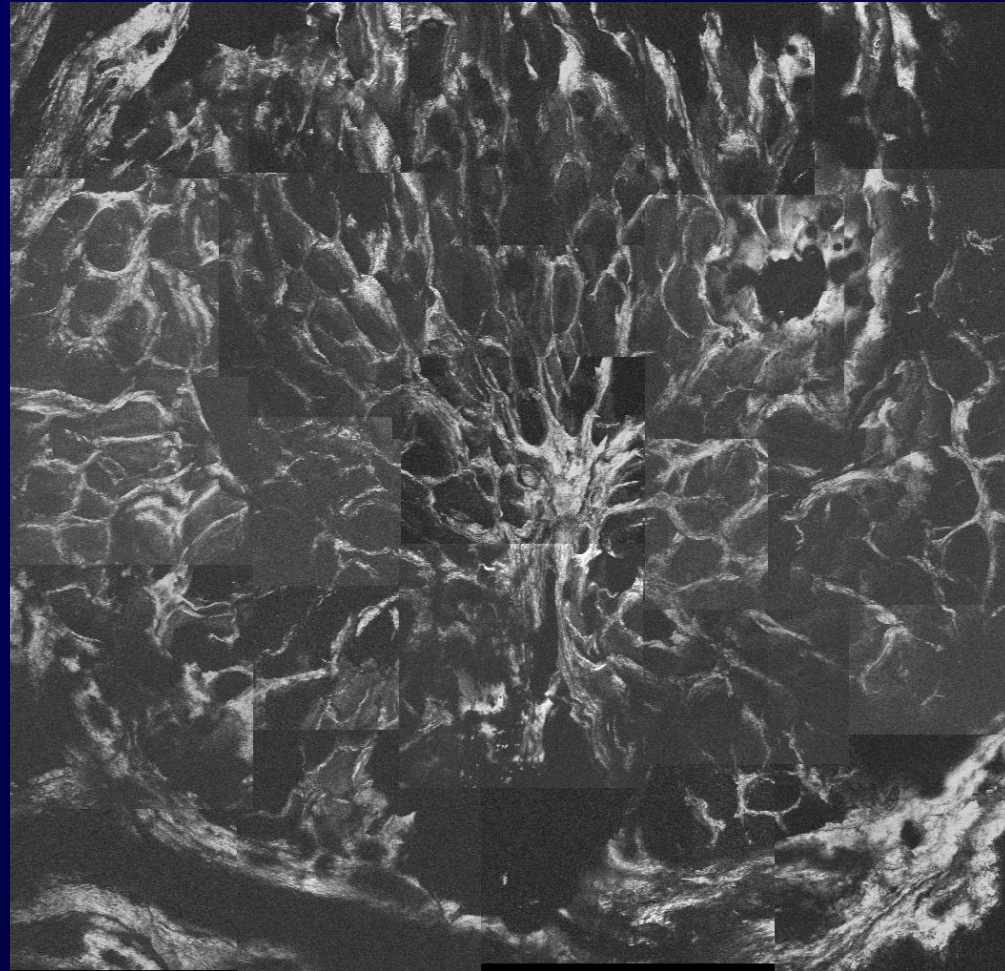
**Less photo damage**

**Collagen gives a very strong SHG signal**



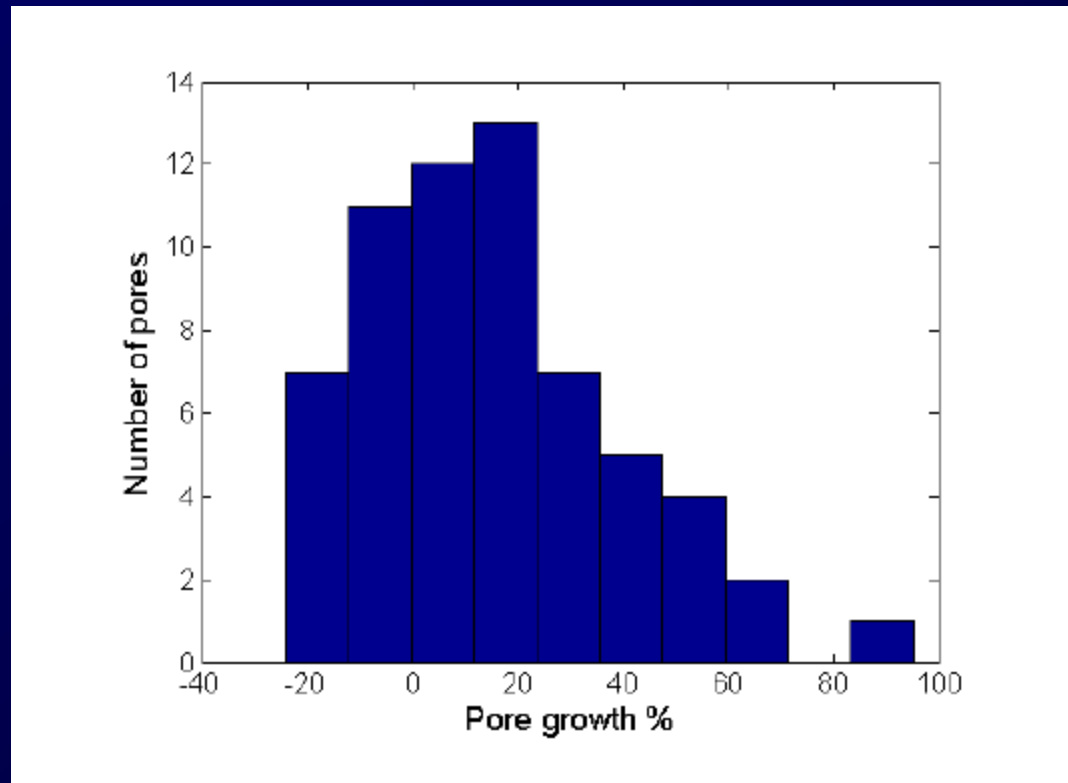


# SHG Imaging of the Lamina Cribrosa





# Pore size analysis of LC SHG images

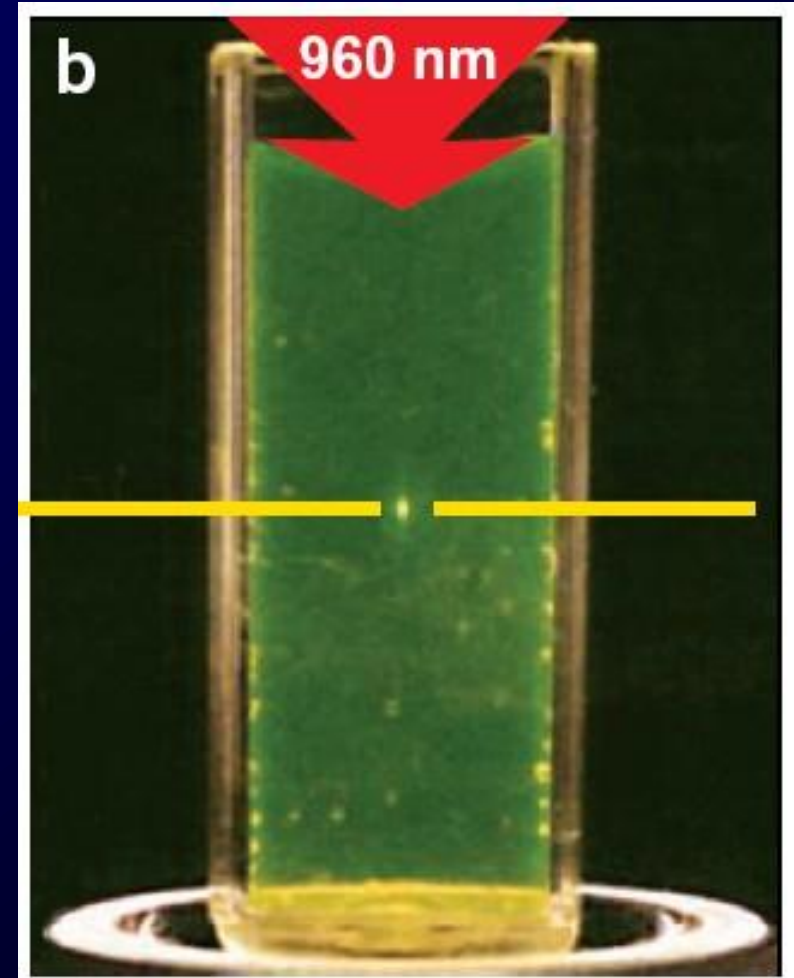
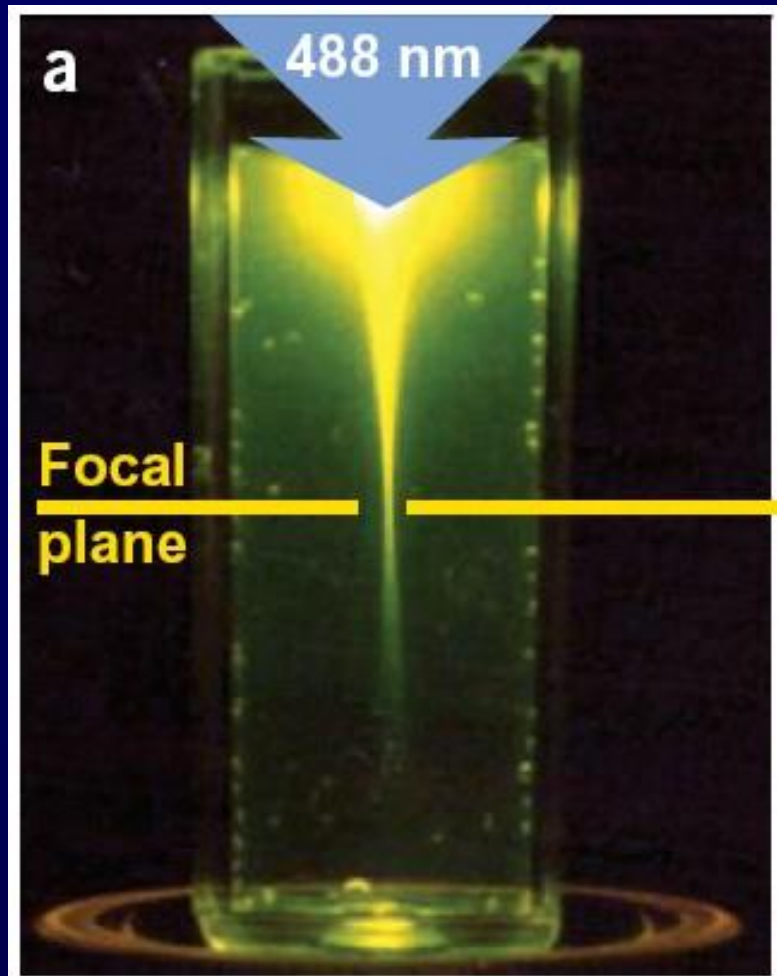


The histogram of the pore growth.





# 1 photon v.s. 2 photon excitation





# Advantages of Two-Photon excitation

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## § Localized excitation:

- Intrinsic three-dimensional resolution: eliminate out-of-focus and scattered fluorescence
- No confocal pinhole: also scattered fluorescence photons provide useful signal
- No out-of-focus photobleaching and photodamage related to fluorescence excitation

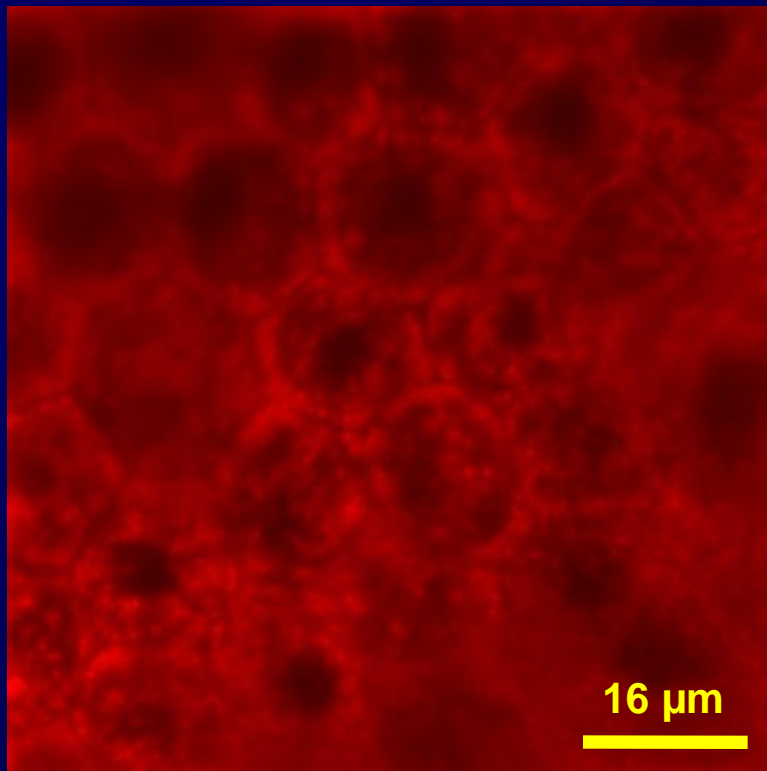
## § Longer wavelength:

- NIR excitation light generally less phototoxic than blue light
- Larger penetration depth due to less absorption, less scattering
- Expanded wavelength accessibility (UV excitation)

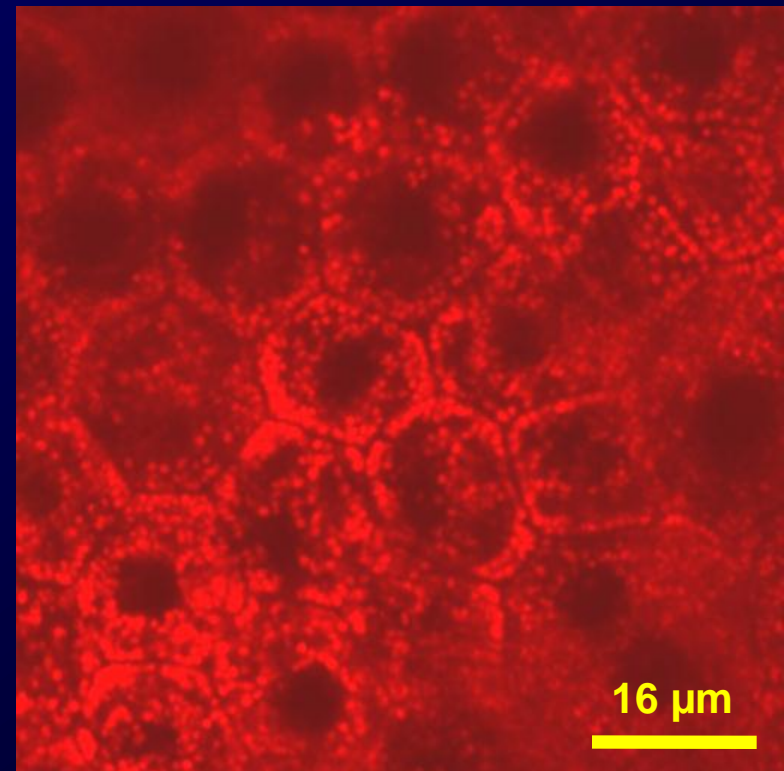




# Autofluorescence from Retinal Pigment Epithelial (RPE) Cell



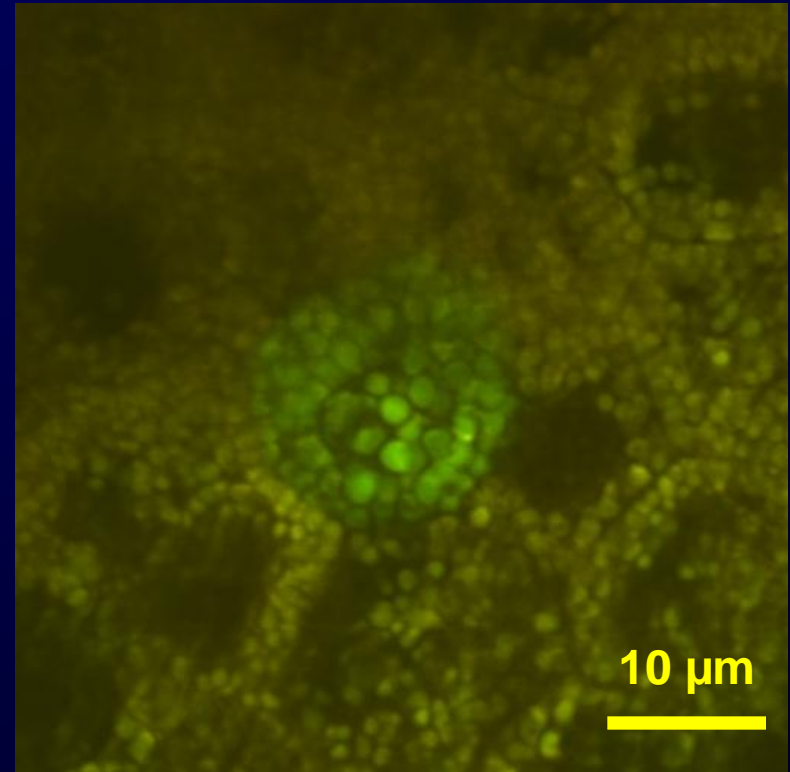
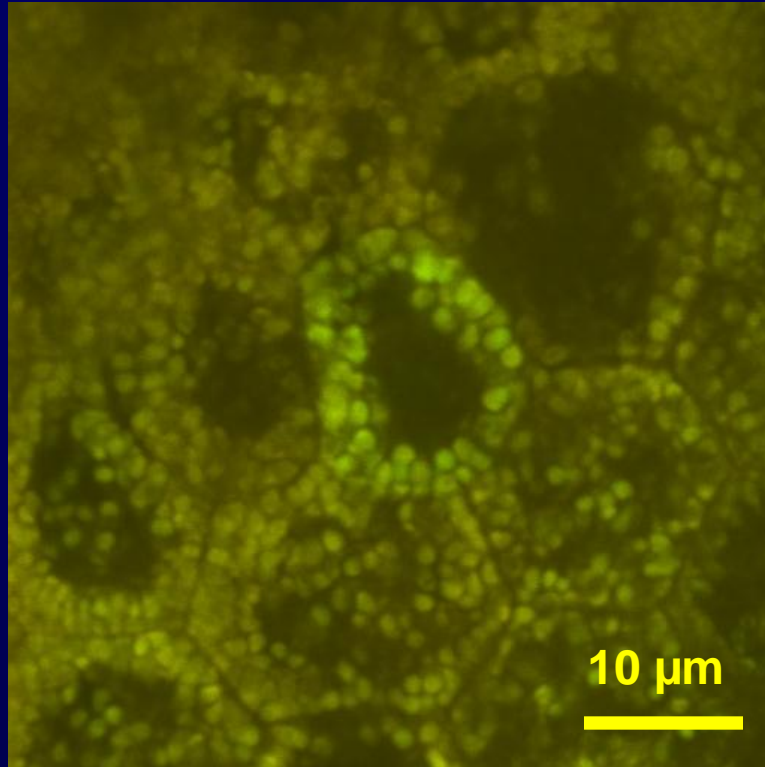
Confocal imaging  
*Argon laser 488 nm*



Two photon imaging  
*Ti:Sapphire laser 800 nm*



# Abnormal spectrum of AF

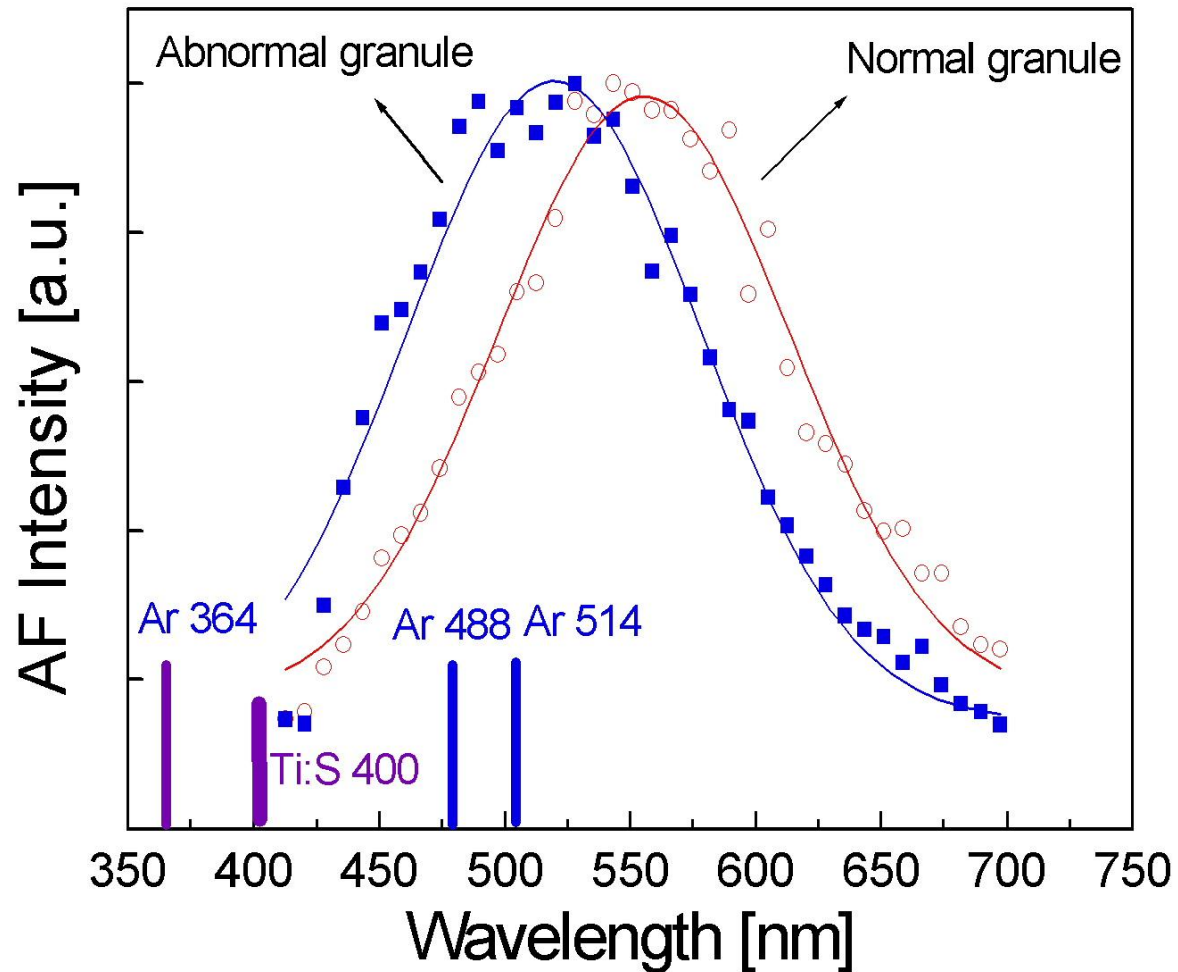


AF color coded: blue (500 – 550 nm)

red (575-640 nm)

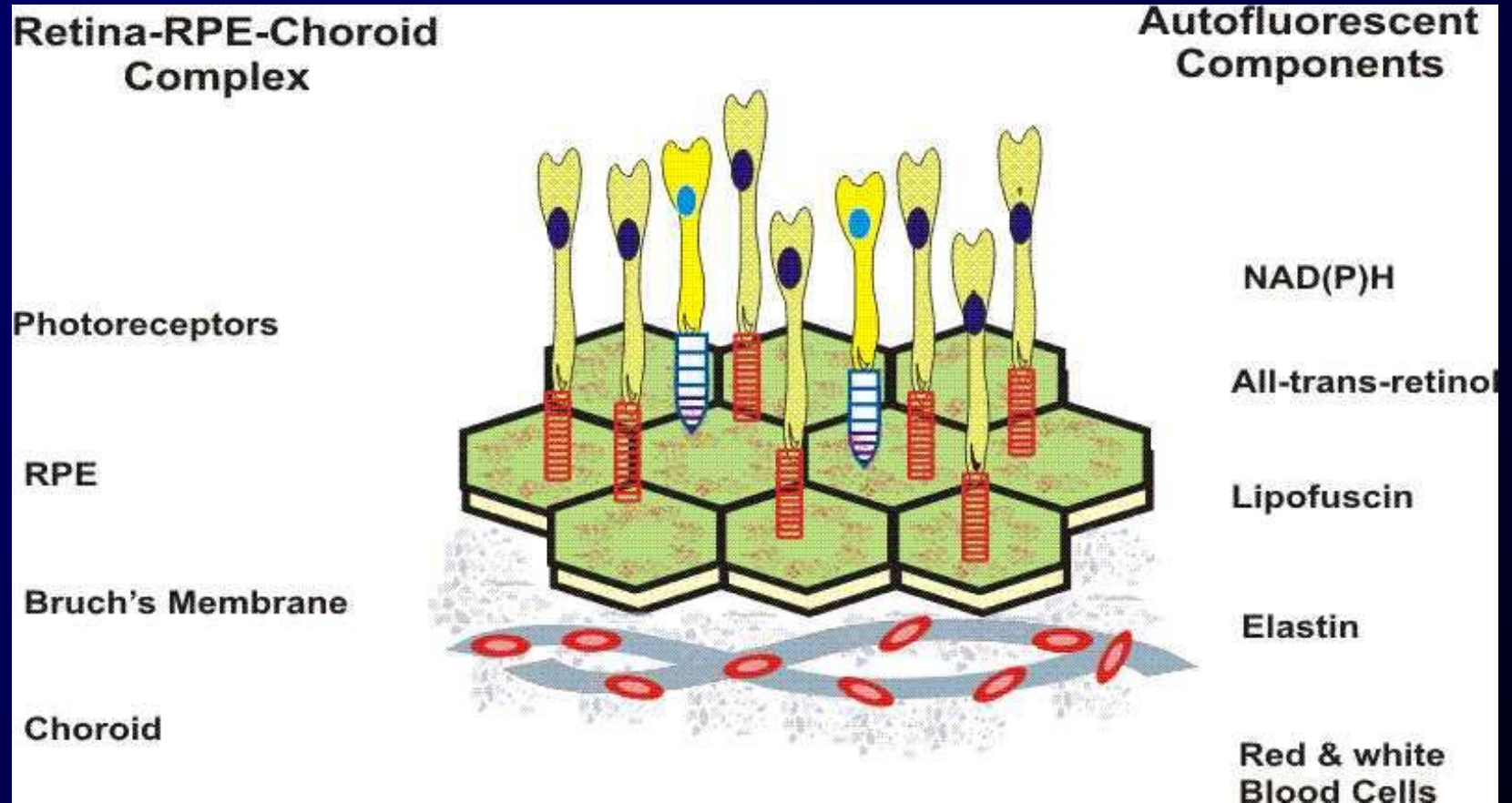
80 yrs patient, 16 hrs post mortem. RPE cells in the macula of retina.

# Spectrum from abnormal granules





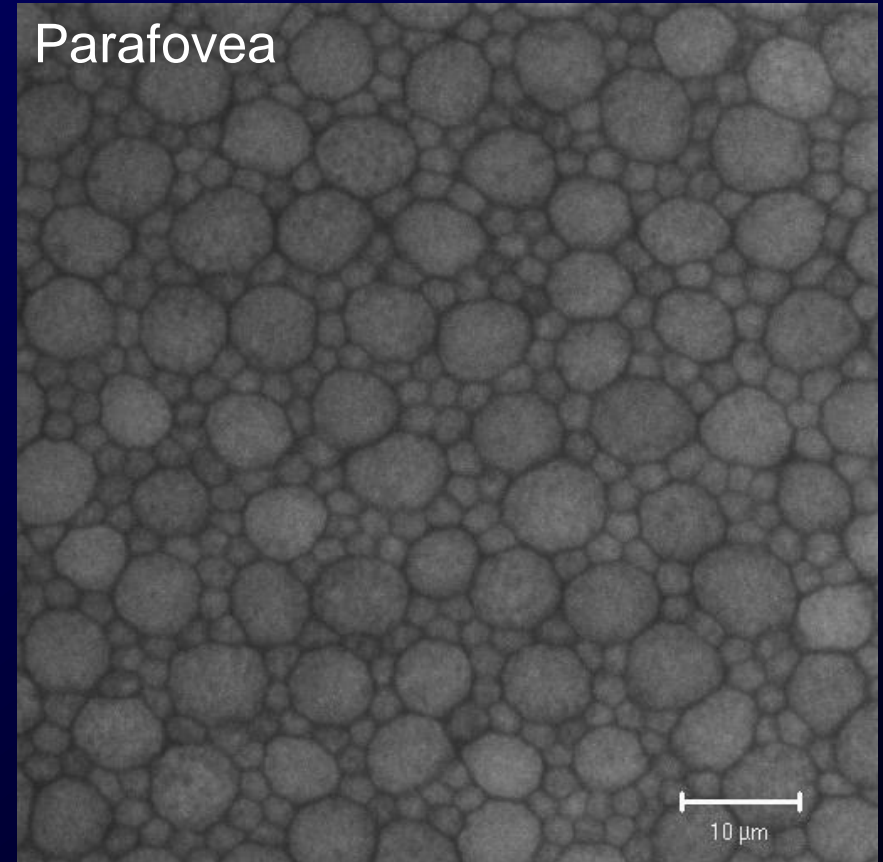
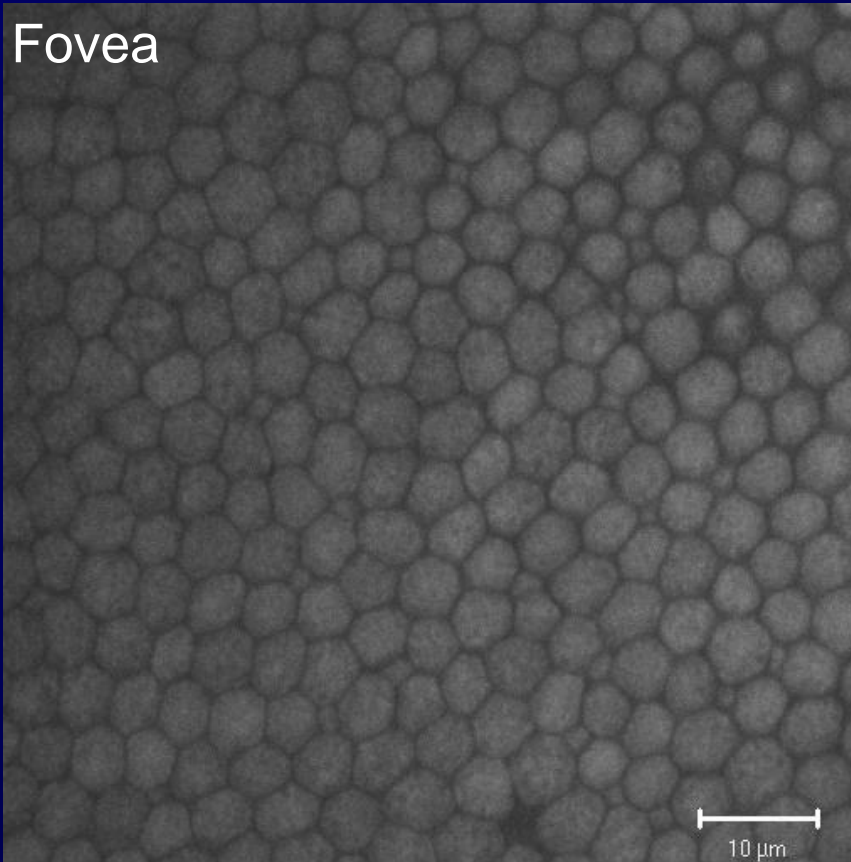
# Autofluorescent Fluorophores in the retina-choroid complex







# Foveal Cone/Rod Mosaic



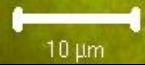
19 yr-old donor eye



# Bruch's Membrane

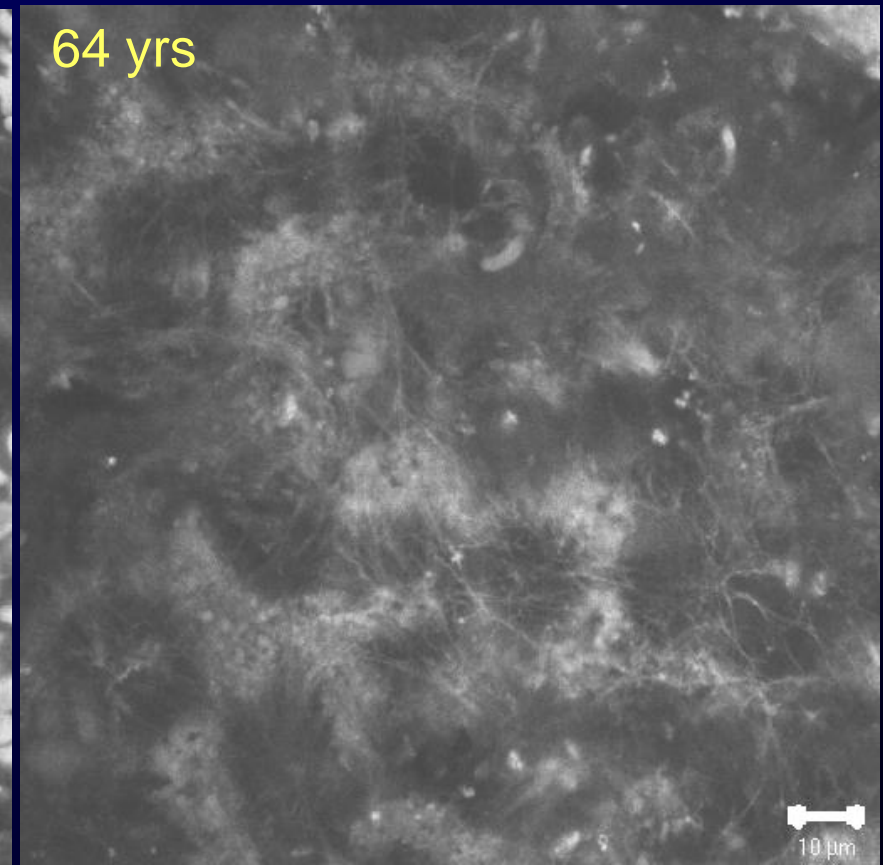
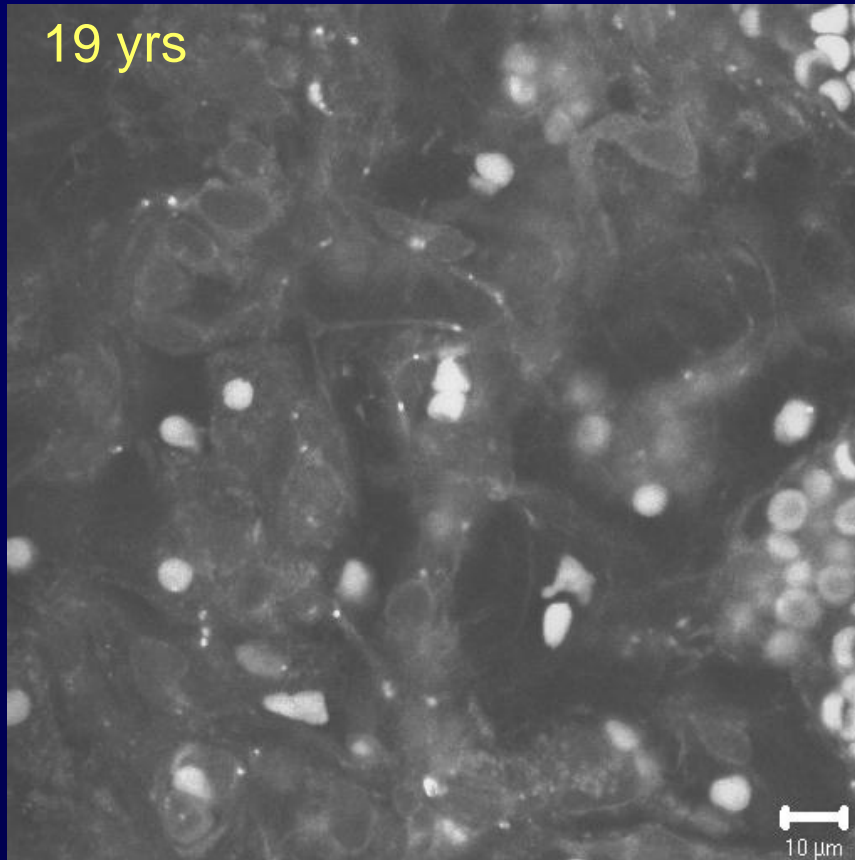
19 yrs

64 yrs





# Sub-choriocapillaries Layer







# Future Developments

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- In Vivo Two-Photon Imaging
- Bacterial Differentiation
- Laser Safety
- Customized Adaptive Optics



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**New In Vivo 2-Photon Ophthalmoscope  
with 500mW Fiber-Laser and  
AOM-controlled Intensity-Window**



# Two Photon Microscope with 500mW Laser

## The Instrument

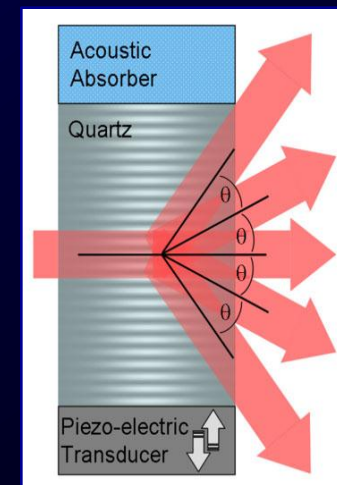


## 500mW Laser



## AOM

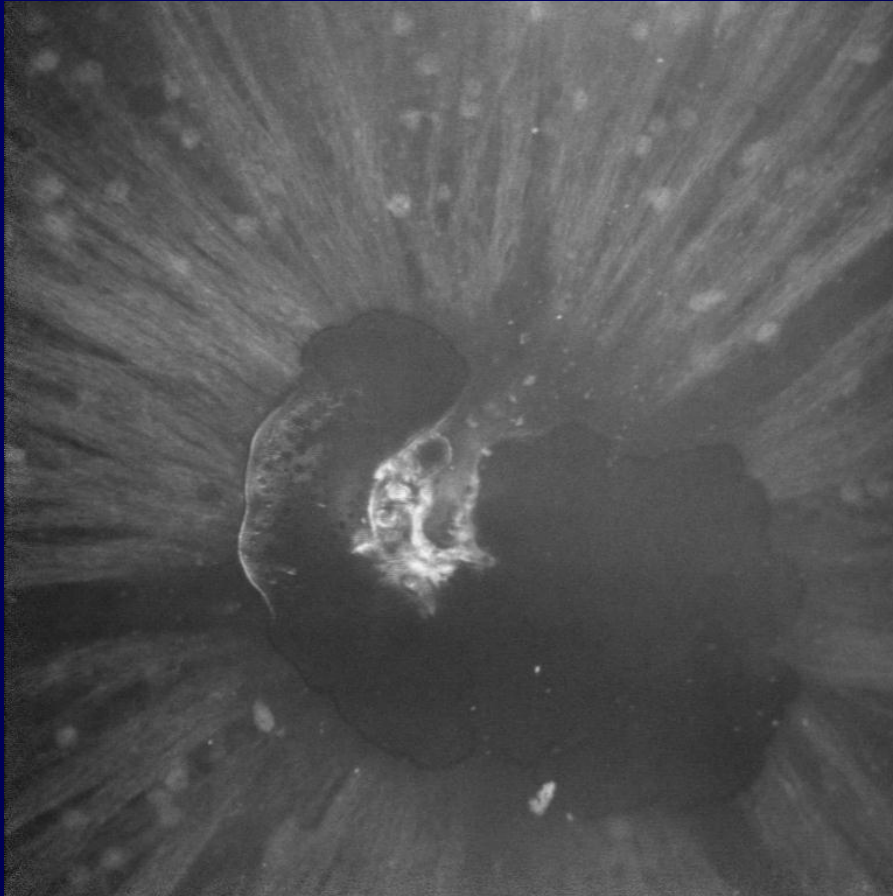
*(Acousto Optic Modulator)*



The AOM allows the instrument to modulate the intensity of 10 million spots per second inside a designated image area



# Mice Optic Nerve Head



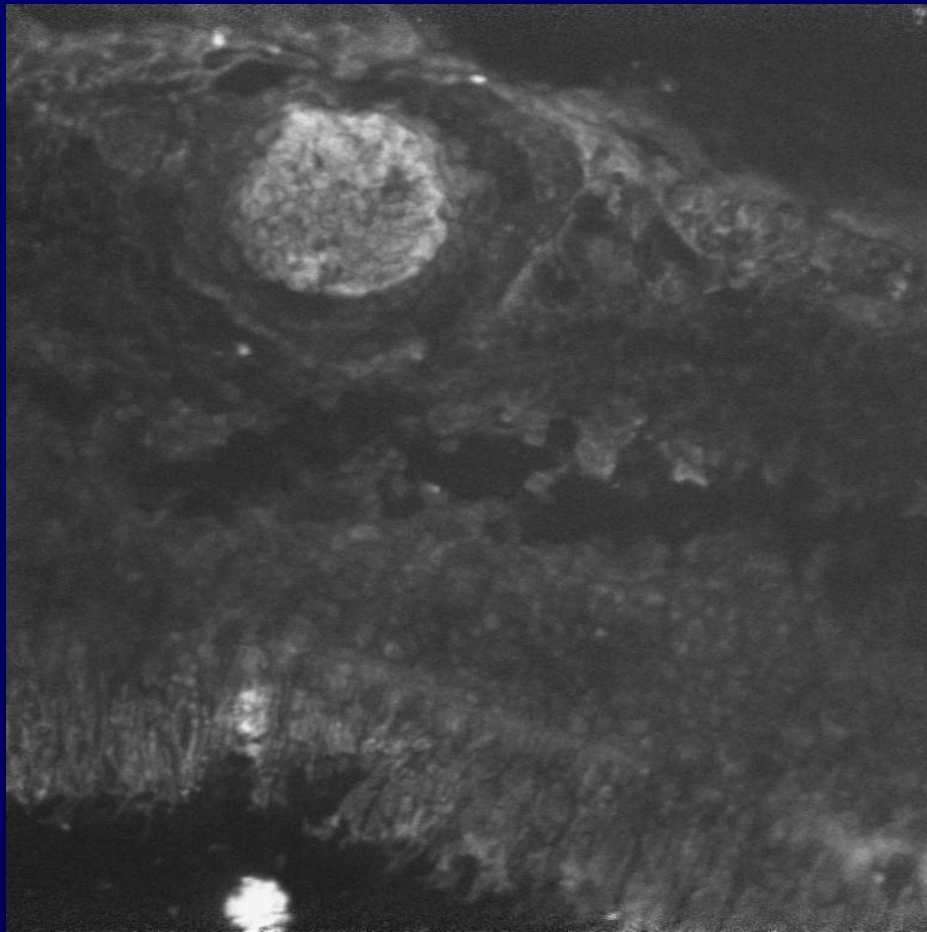
Two-Photon Image of Mice ONH.  
190um \* 190um



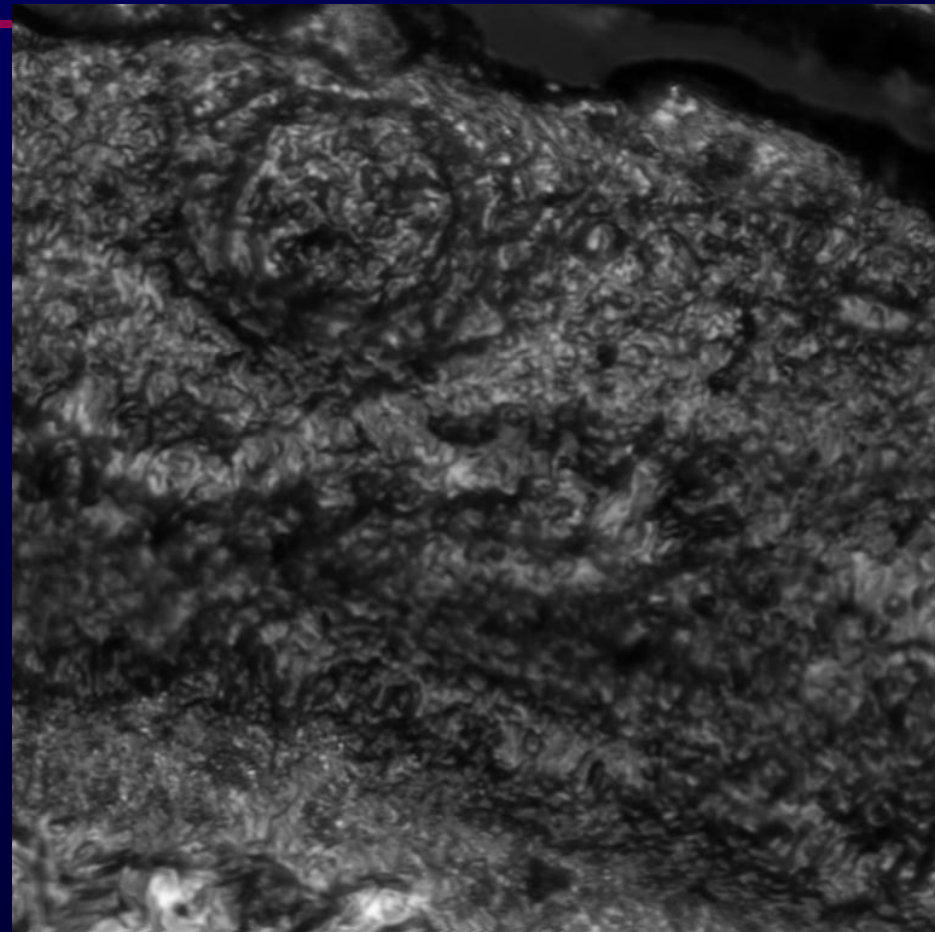
Confocal Image of Mice ONH.  
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# Abnormal Cell on Retina



Two-Photon Image of abnormal cells on the retina 190um\*190um

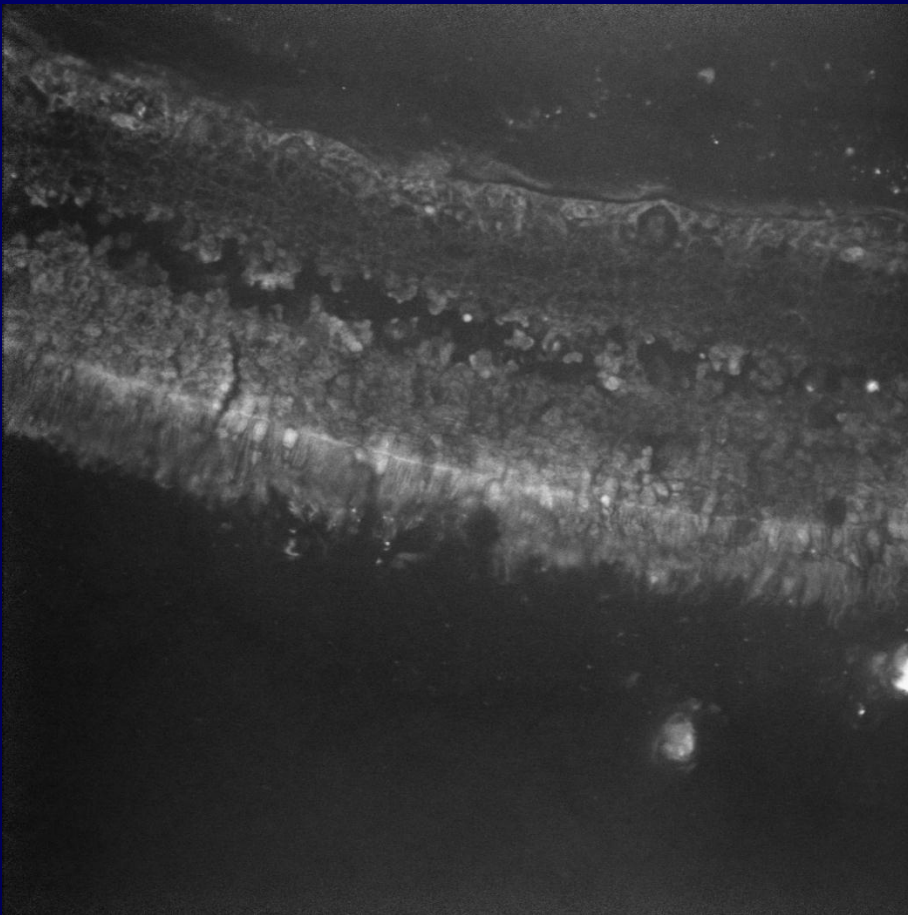


Confocal Image of abnormal cells on the retina 190um\*190um

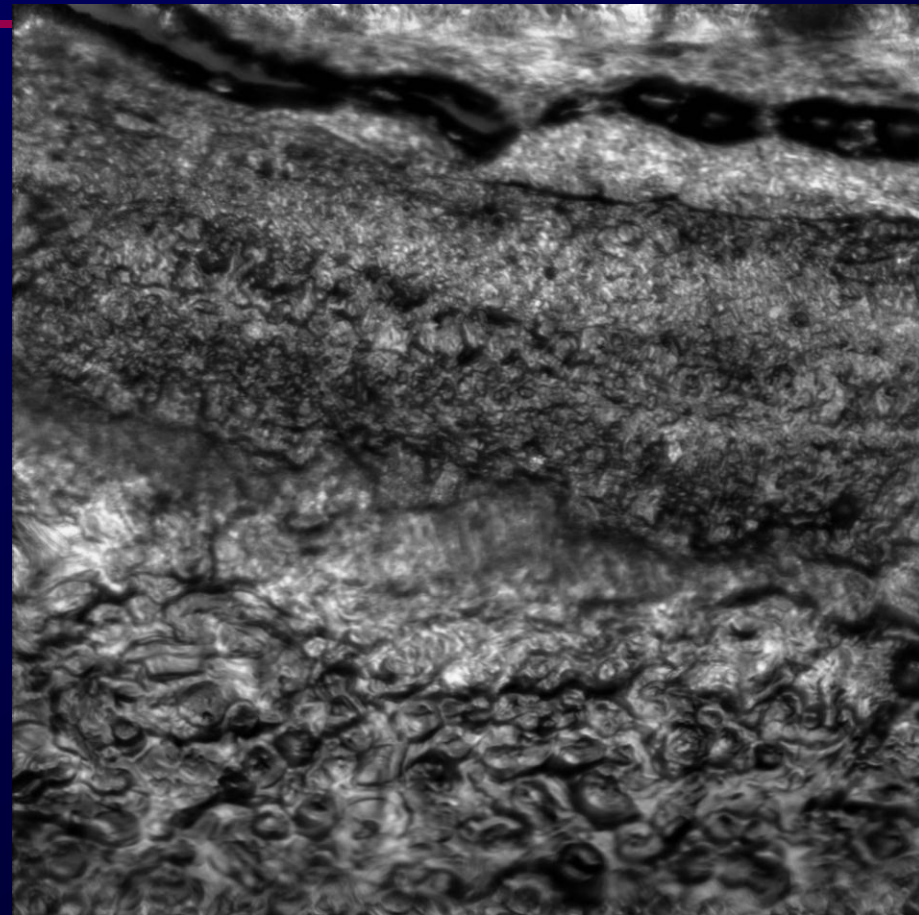




# Cross Section of Retina



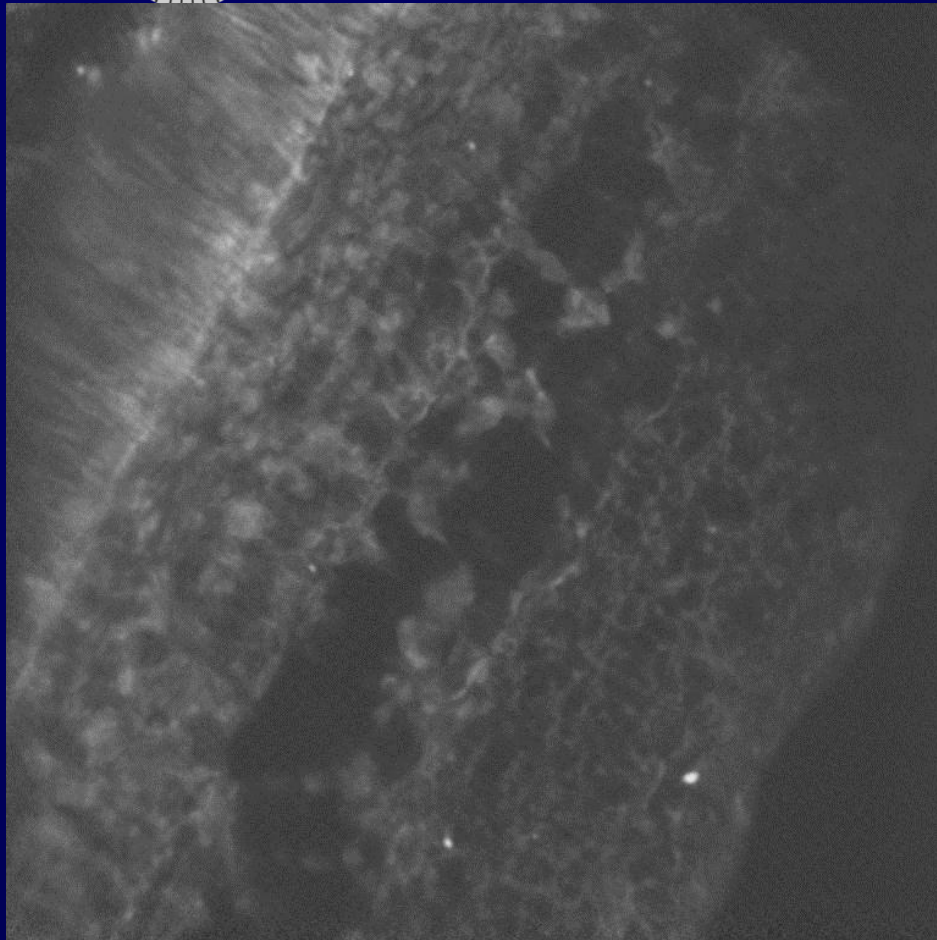
Two-Photon Image of Cross section of Retina 380um\*380um



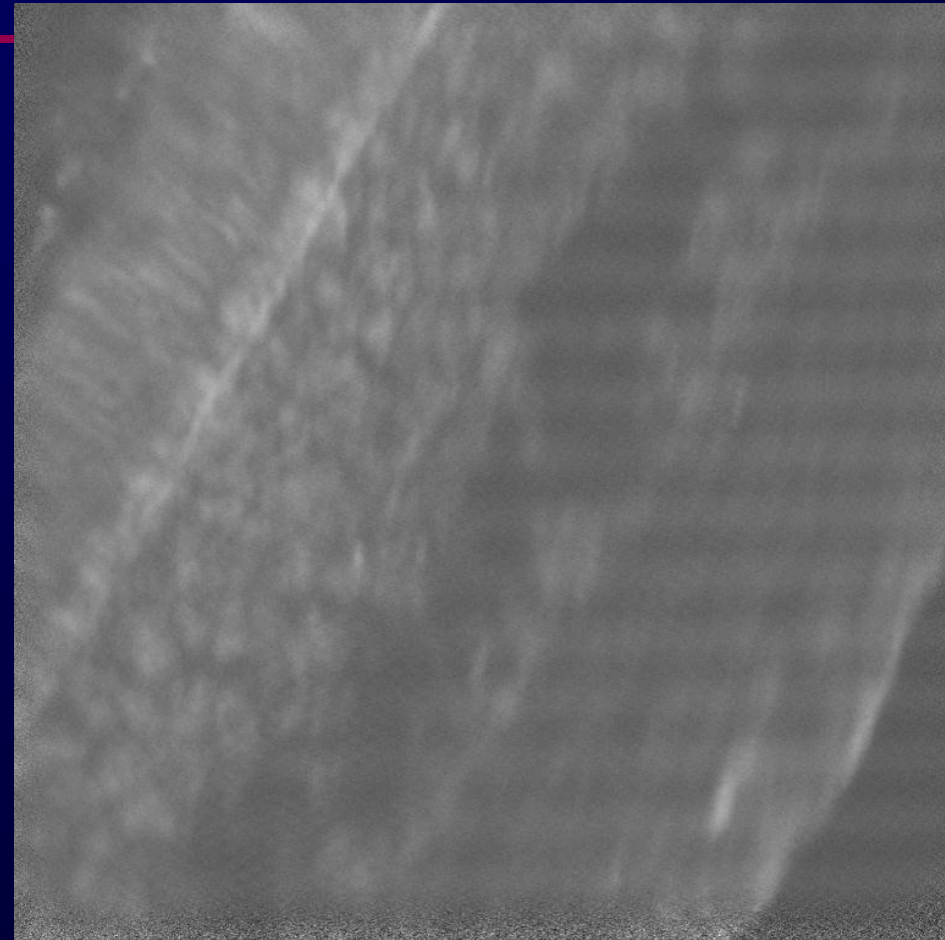
Confocal Image of Cross section of Retina 380um\*380um



# Cross Section of Retina by using different laser powers



Two photon image of cross section of retina by using 100mW laser source (48mW before objective lens)

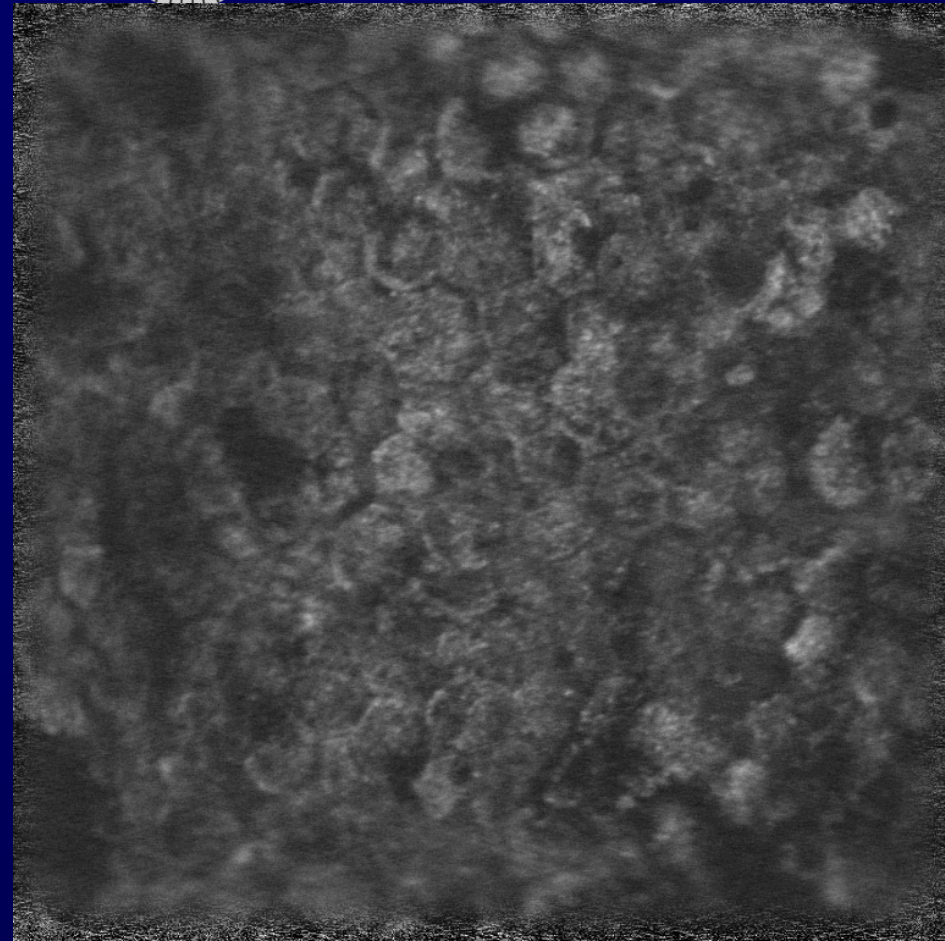


Two photon image of cross section of retina by using 40mW laser source (23mW before objective lens)

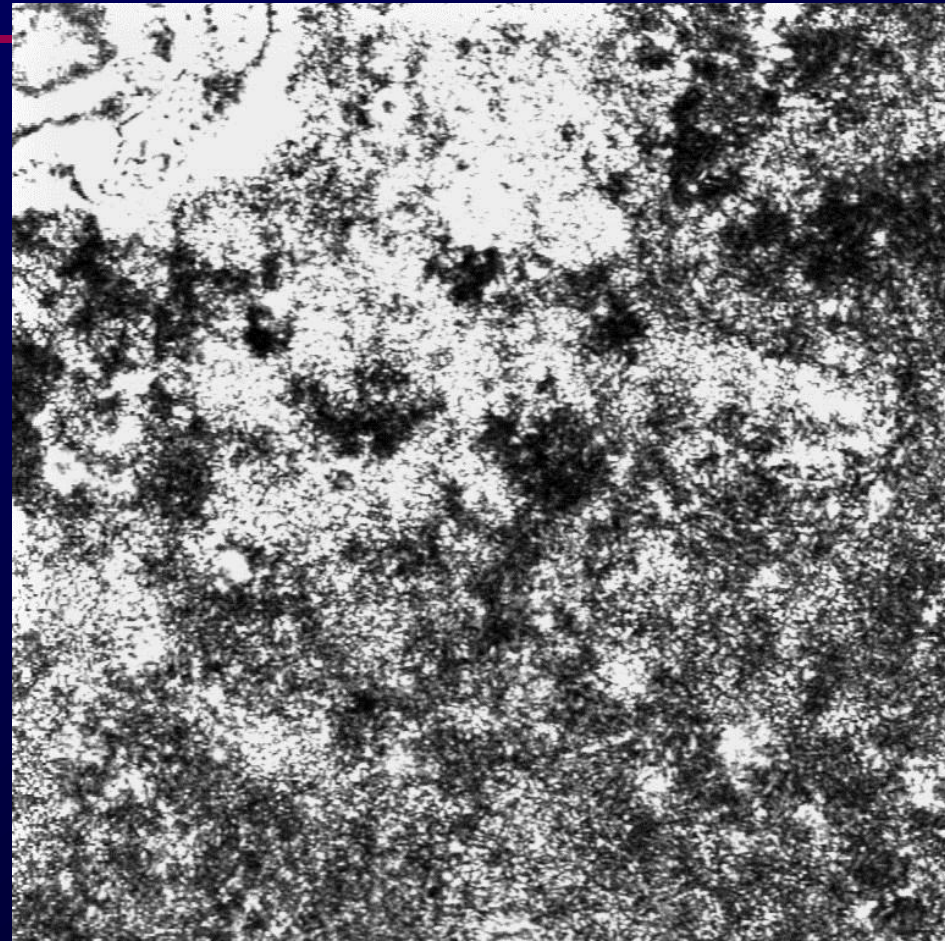




# RPE Cells



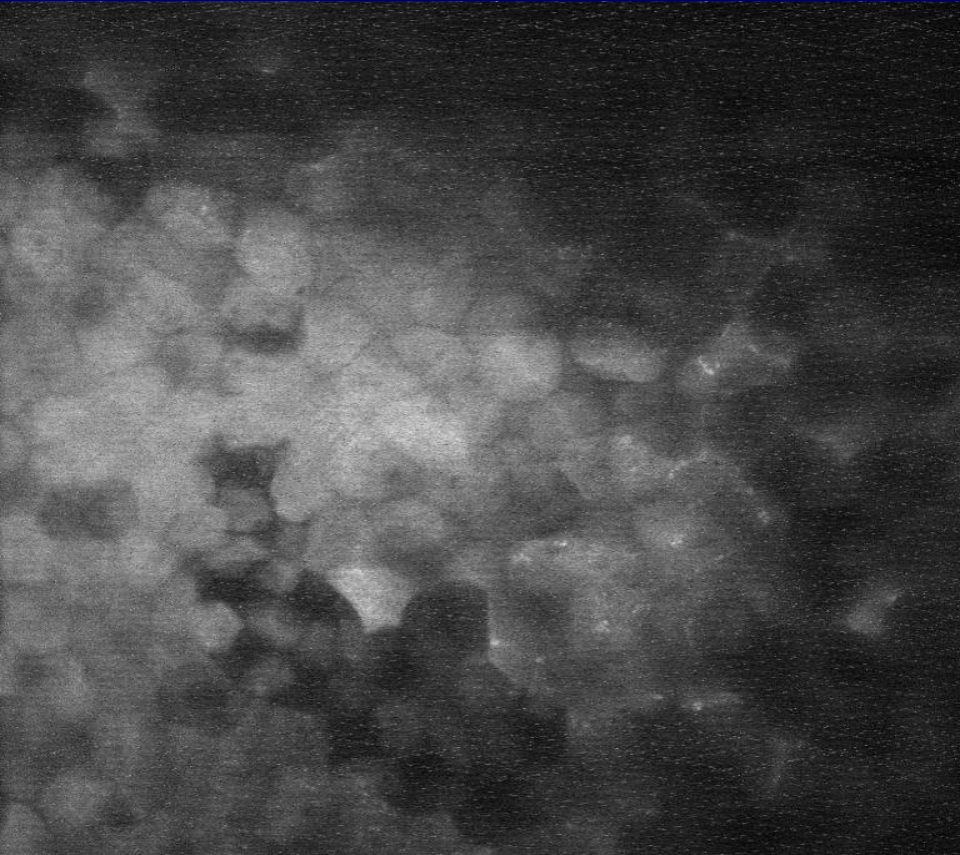
Two photon image of RPE cells



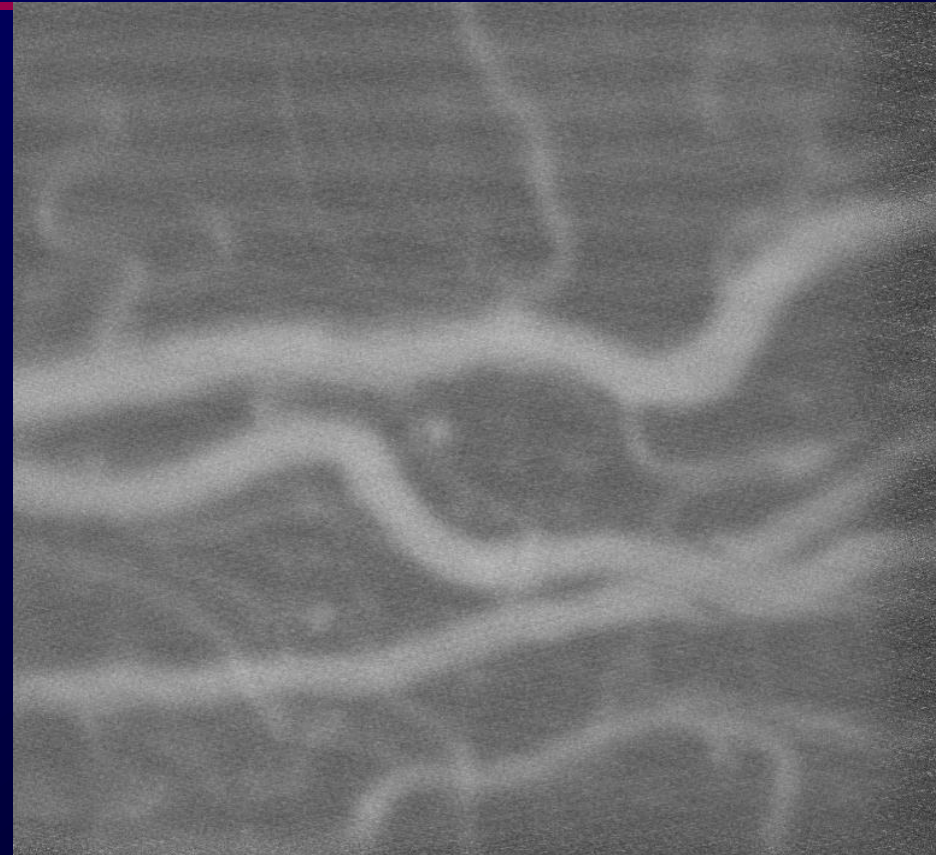
Confocal image of RPE cells



# Two Photon images of living eyes



Two photon image of living rabbit cornea



Two photon angiography of living rabbit retina



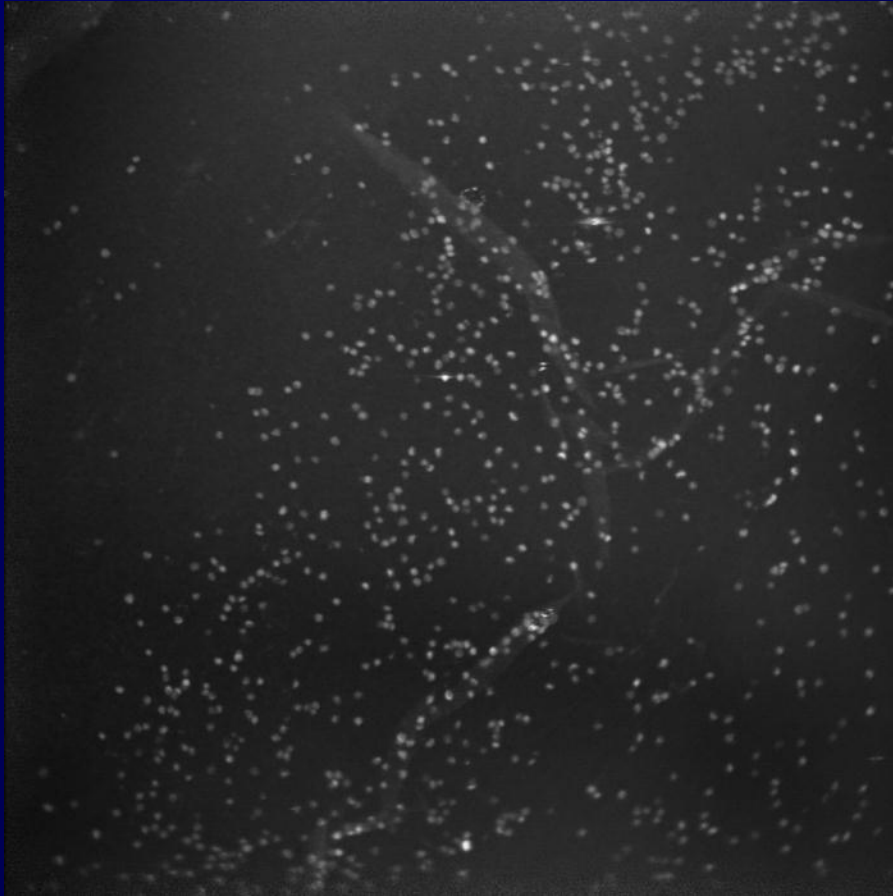


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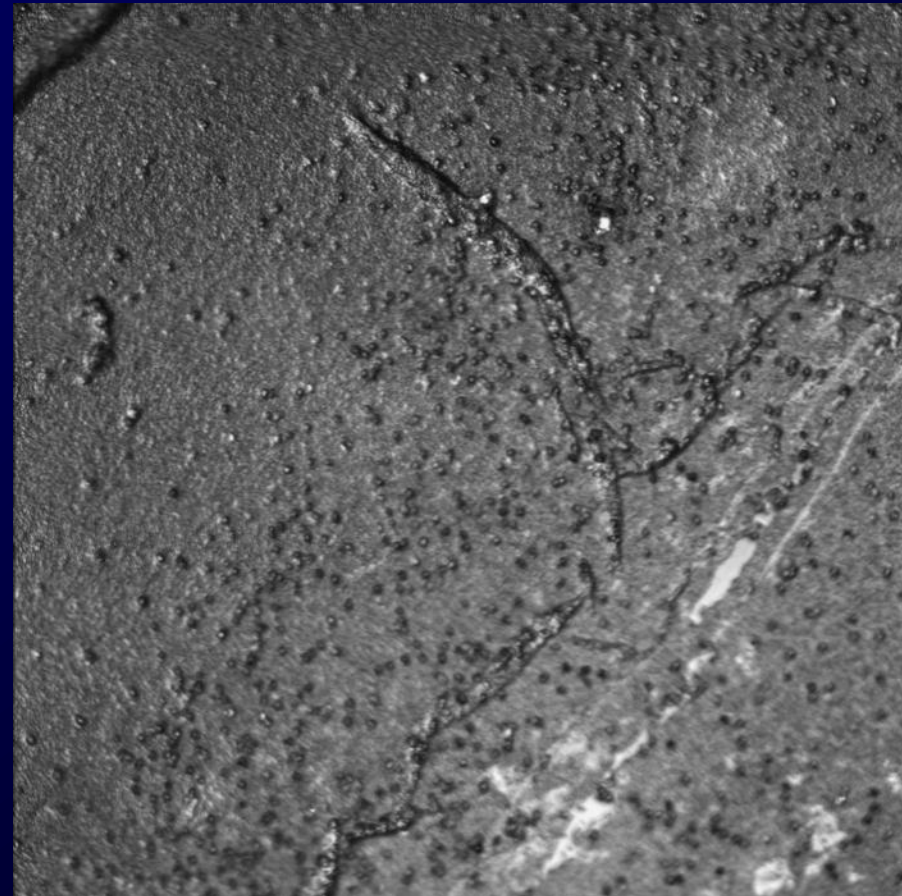
# Two Photon Imaging of Bacteria



# Streptococcus



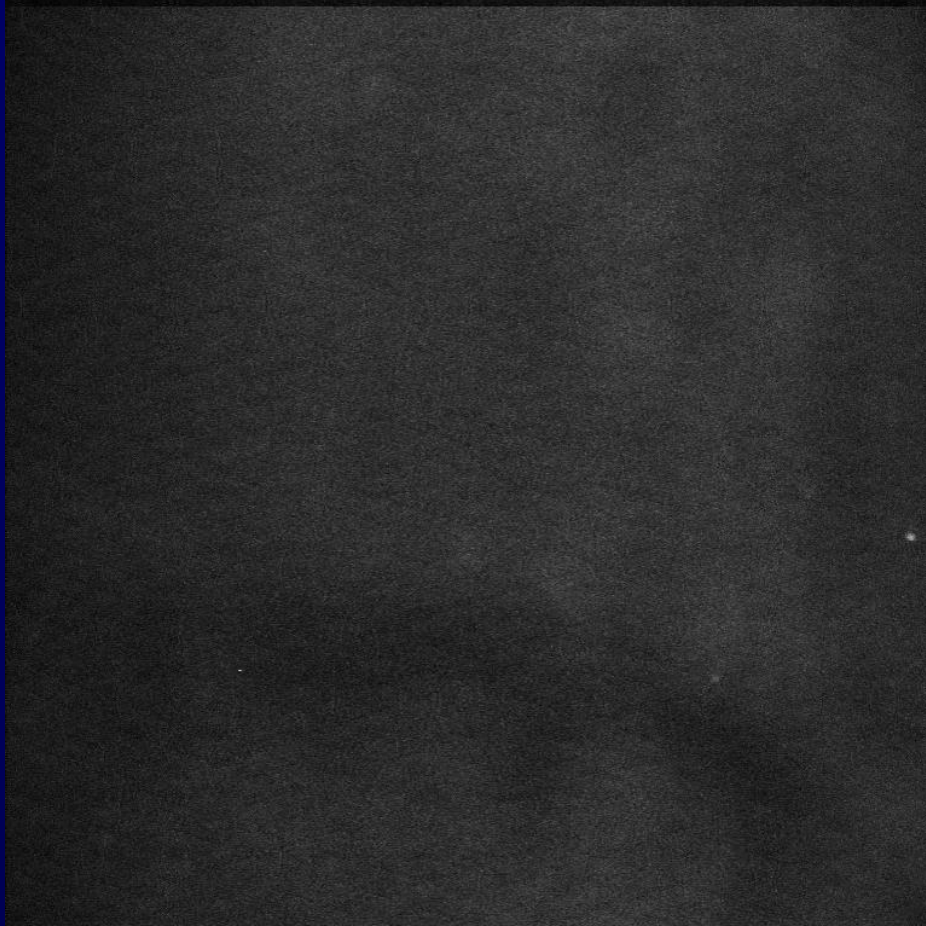
Two-Photon Image of *S. pneumoniae*.  
380um \* 380um



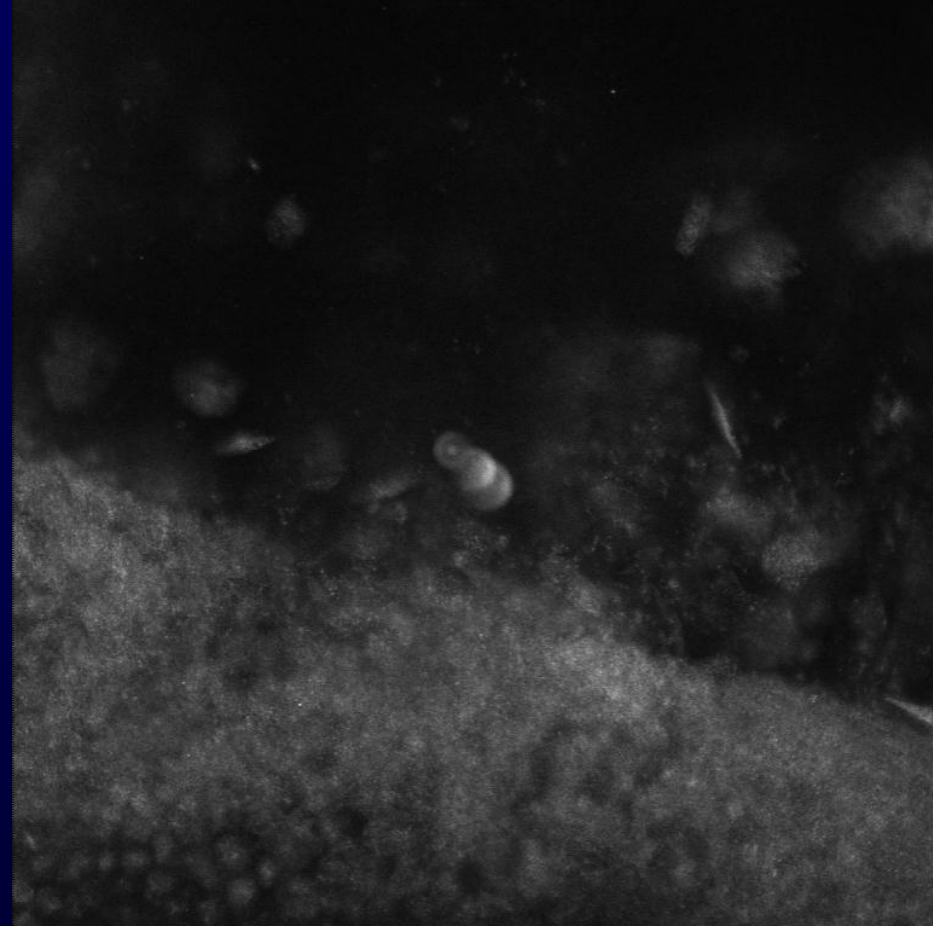
Confocal Image of *S. pneumoniae*.  
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# Streptococcus Infected Cornea Button



Two-Photon Scan through of *S. pneumoniae*. Infected Cornea Button

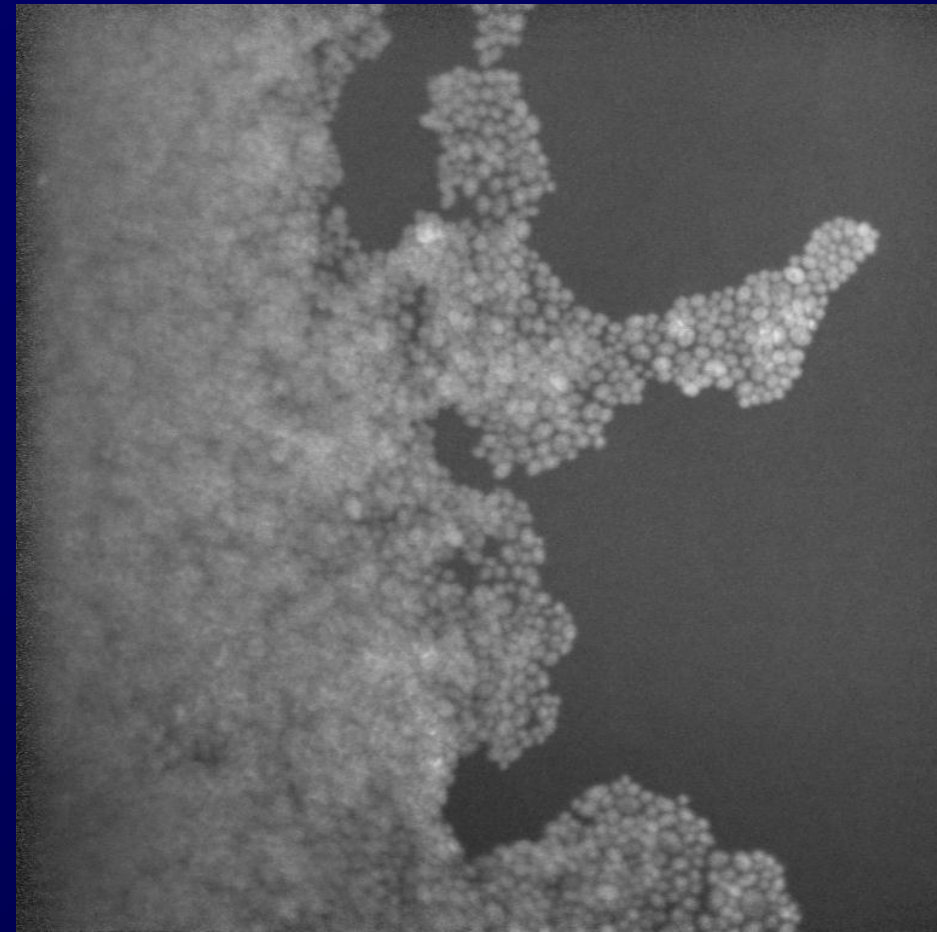


Confocal Scan through of *S. pneumoniae*. Infected Cornea Button

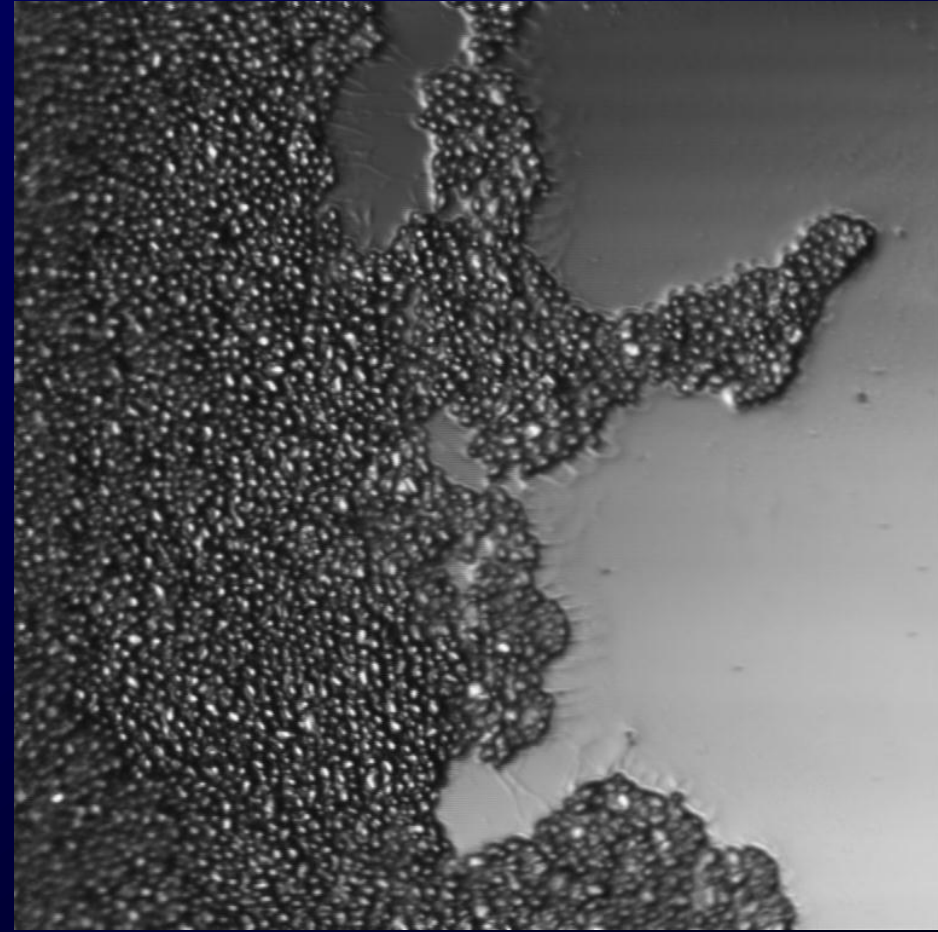




# Candida Albicans



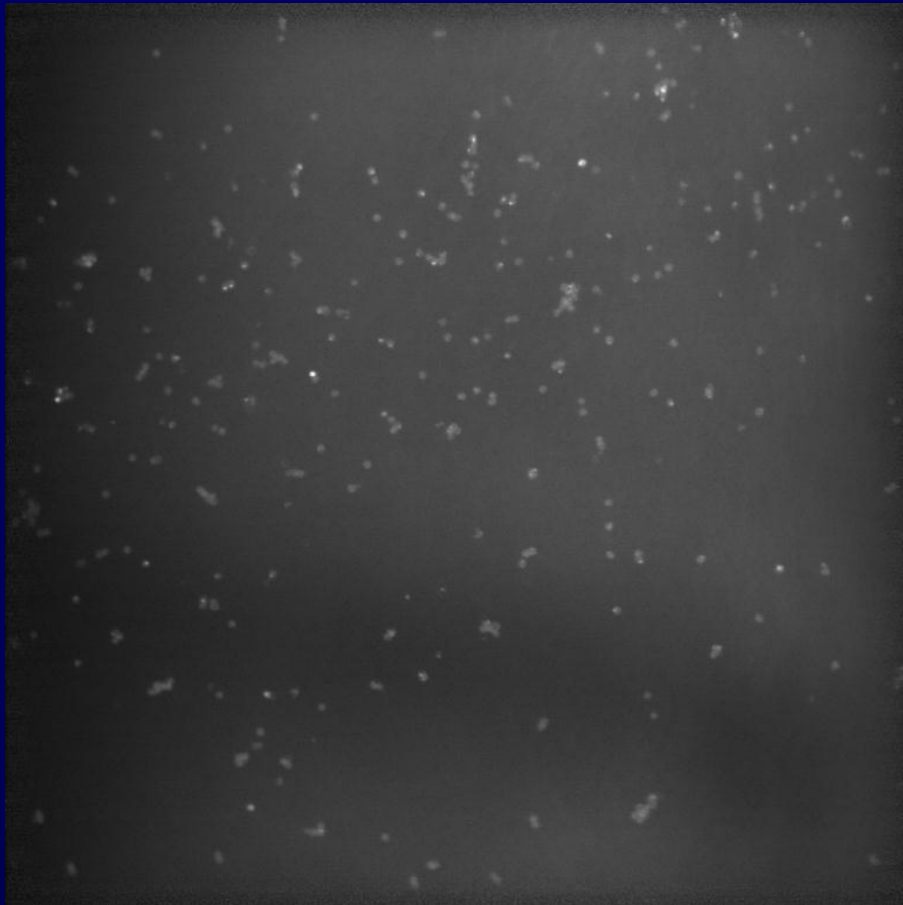
Two-Photon Image of *Candida albicans*  
190um \* 190um



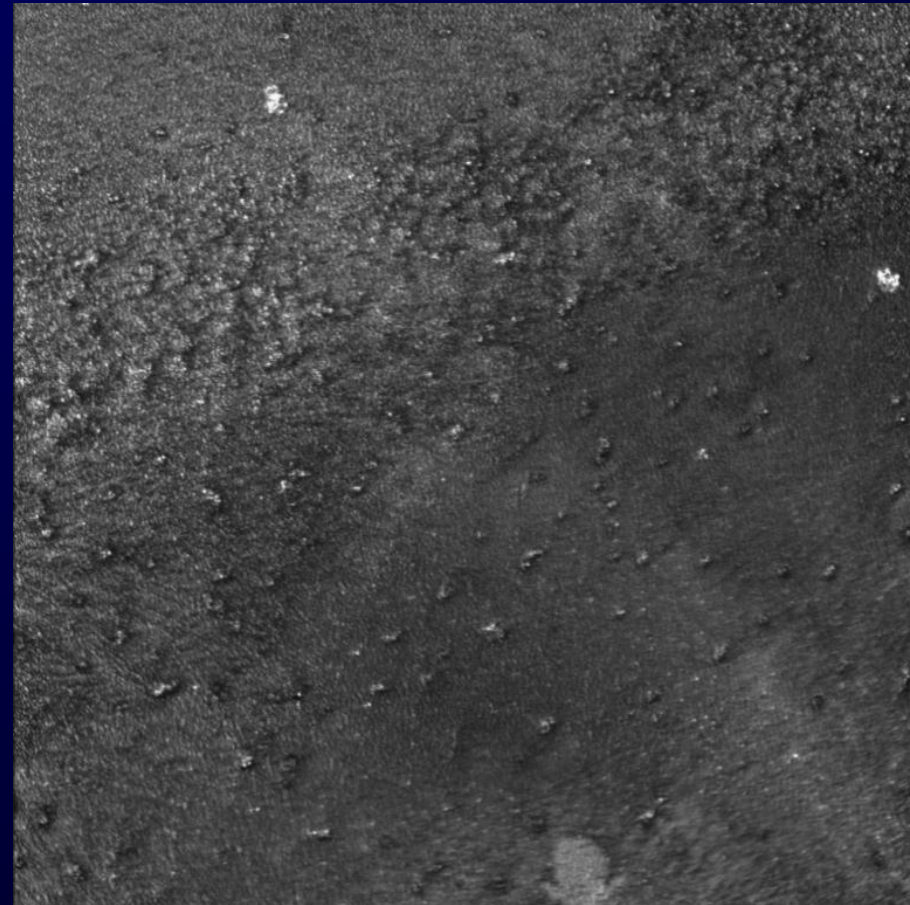
Confocal Image of *Candida albicans*  
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# Aspergillus



Two-Photon Image of *Aspergillus*  
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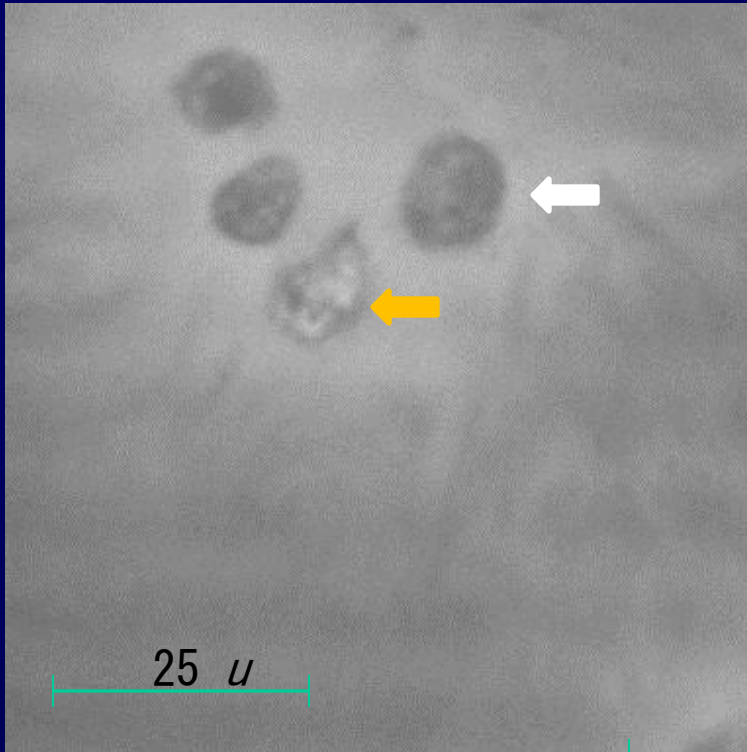


Confocal Image of *Aspergillus*.  
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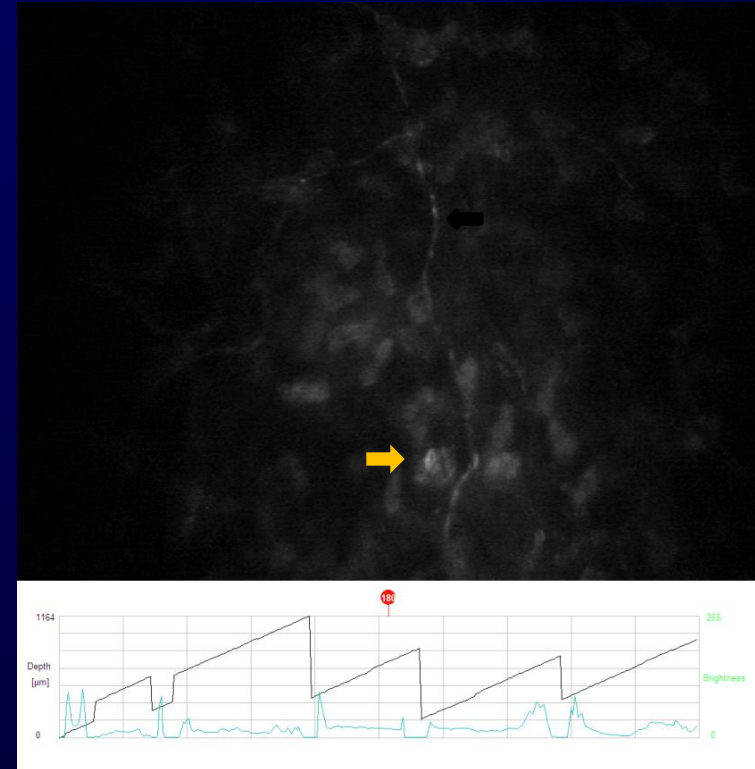


# Acanthamoeba Castellanii



Two-Photon Ophthalmoscope (50mW)

Note 3 cysts (black arrow) and one trophozoite (orange). Note increased image resolution compared to the Confoscan.



Nidek Confoscan Image

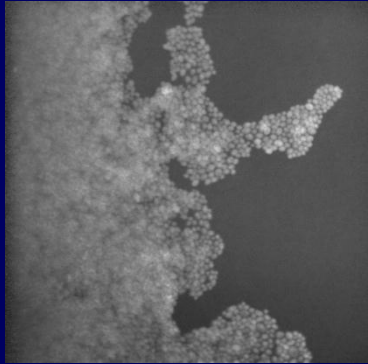
Cornea infected with *Acanthamoeba*. Note radial keratoneuritis (white arrow) and trophozoite (orange).

*Amoeba provided by Dr. Visvesvara, Division of Parasitic Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*

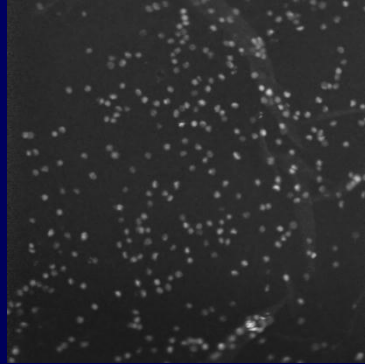
*Image provided with permission from San Diego Eye Bank.*



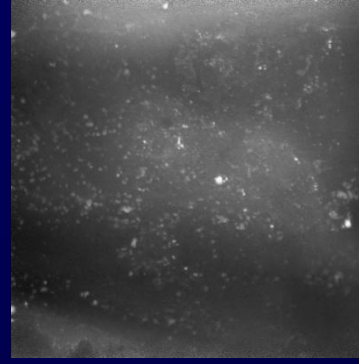
# Identification of Microorganisms by using different laser powers



Candida albicans , 190um\*190um  
40mW,780nm,250fs  
30mW



Streptococcus,  
190um\*190um  
50mW,780nm,250fs  
50mW



Pseudomonas Aeruginosa, 190um\*190um  
100mW,780nm,250fs  
100mW

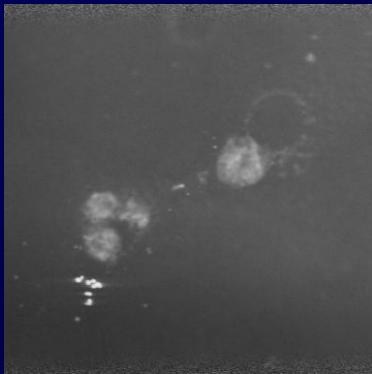
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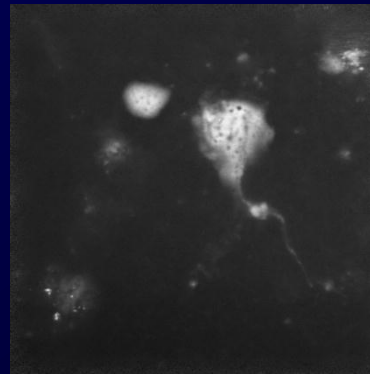
40mW

80mW

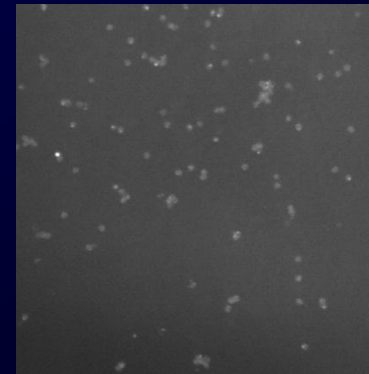
120mW



Acanthamoeba , 190um\*190um  
40mW,780nm,250fs



Microsporidium ,190um\*190um  
80mW,780nm,250fs



Aspergillus fungus,190um\*190um  
120mW,780nm,250fs

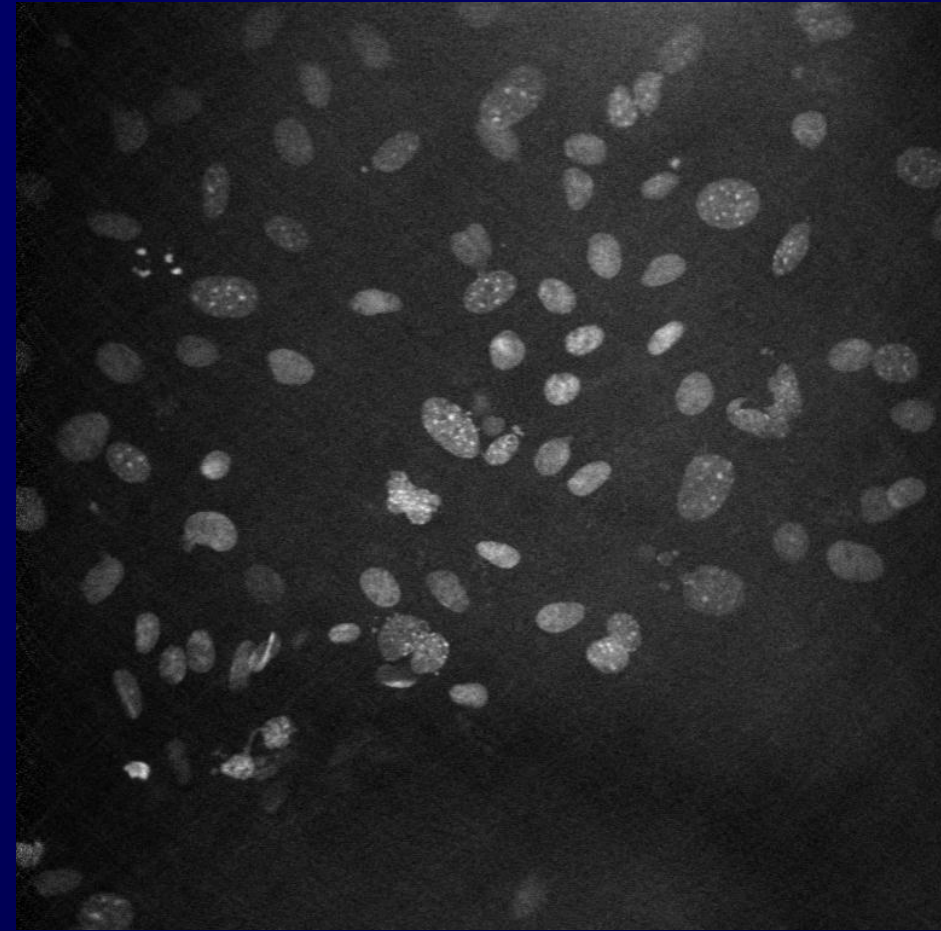


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# Two Photon Imaging of Limbal Stem-Cells



# Mice Limbal Stem Cells



Two-Photon Image of *Mice Limbal Stem Cells*  
380um \* 380um



Confocal Image of *Mice Limbal Stem Cells*  
380um \* 380um



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# Laser Safety



# Maximum Permissible (MP) Corneal Irradiance

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- Recommended MP corneal irradiance =  $25 \cdot t^{-0.75}$  (W/cm<sup>2</sup>) for  $t < 10$ s
- Recommended MP corneal irradiance = 4.0 (W/cm<sup>2</sup>) for  $t > 10$ s.
- The irradiated area is described by  $1536\mu\text{m} \cdot 1536\mu\text{m} = 0.0236\text{cm}^2$  (HR-mode), therefore recommended MP is **94.4mW** for long exposure ( $t > 10$ s) and for shorter exposure the power limit for 6 frames (1.2s) for HR-mode is **515mW**.

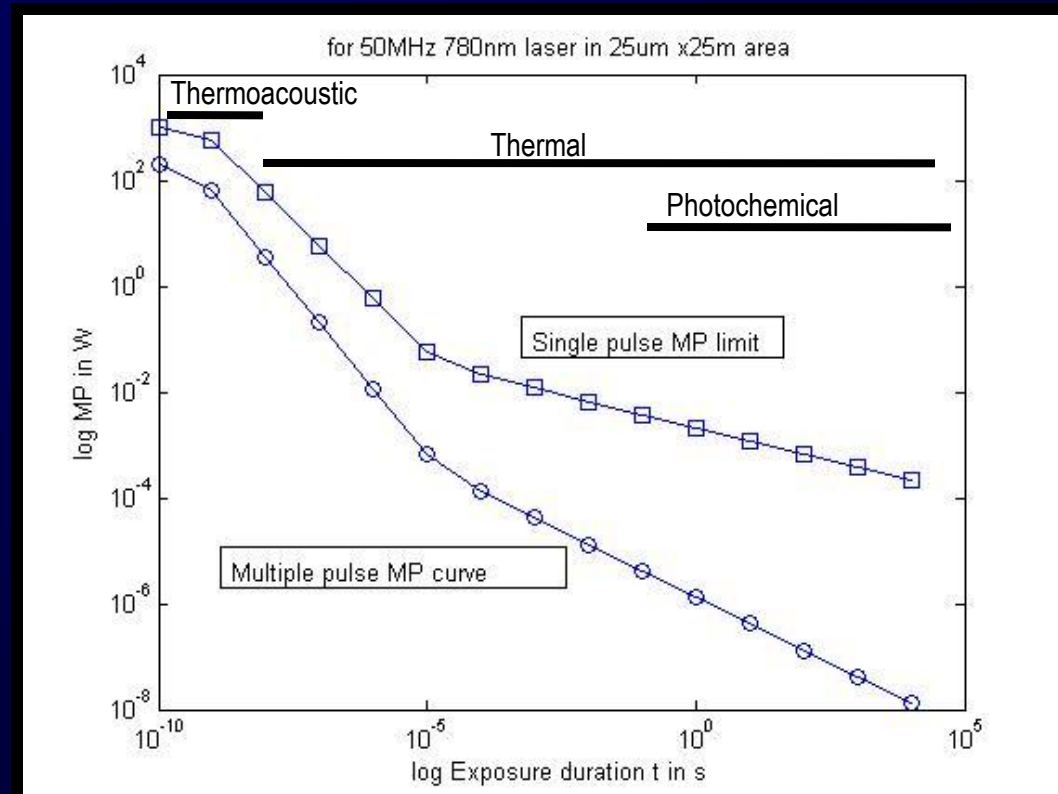
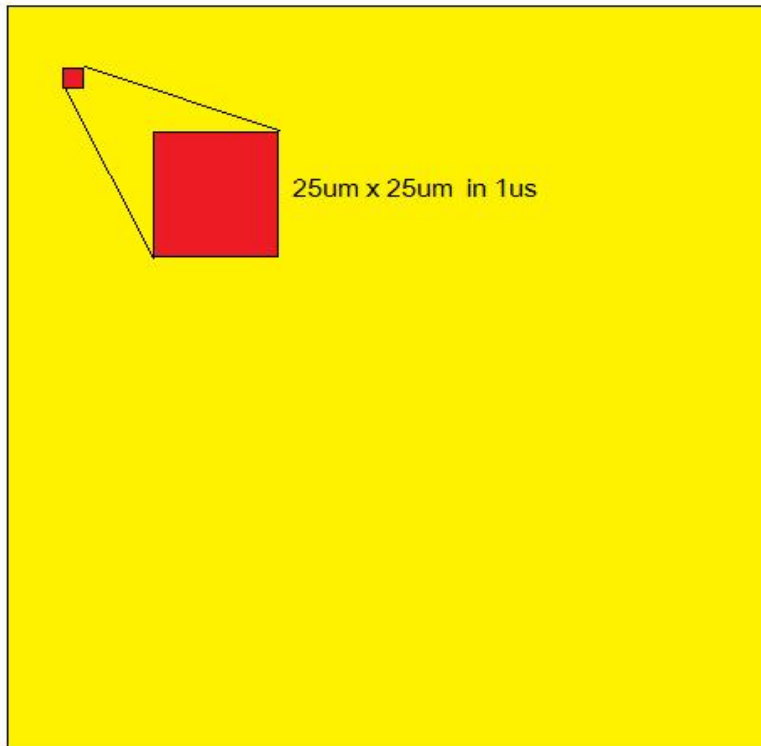




AOM

# AOM-controlled Intensity Window / ANSI-Standard (Retinal Imaging)

3mm x 3mm at frame rate of 96ms/ frame



$$MP\Phi[150fs] = \delta * 5.78 * 10^{-9} * CT * Cj * CE * t^{-1} = 625.5mW \text{ for one pulse}$$

$$MPPav.25um[6.67us] = 1.93 * 10^{-7} * CT * CE * t^{-1} = 52.2mW \text{ (average power in } (25um)^2 \text{ area)}$$





# Customized Adaptive Optics:

## Adaptive Optics Two-Photon Ophthalmoscope

Compact Adaptive Optics System for Multiphoton Fundus Imaging

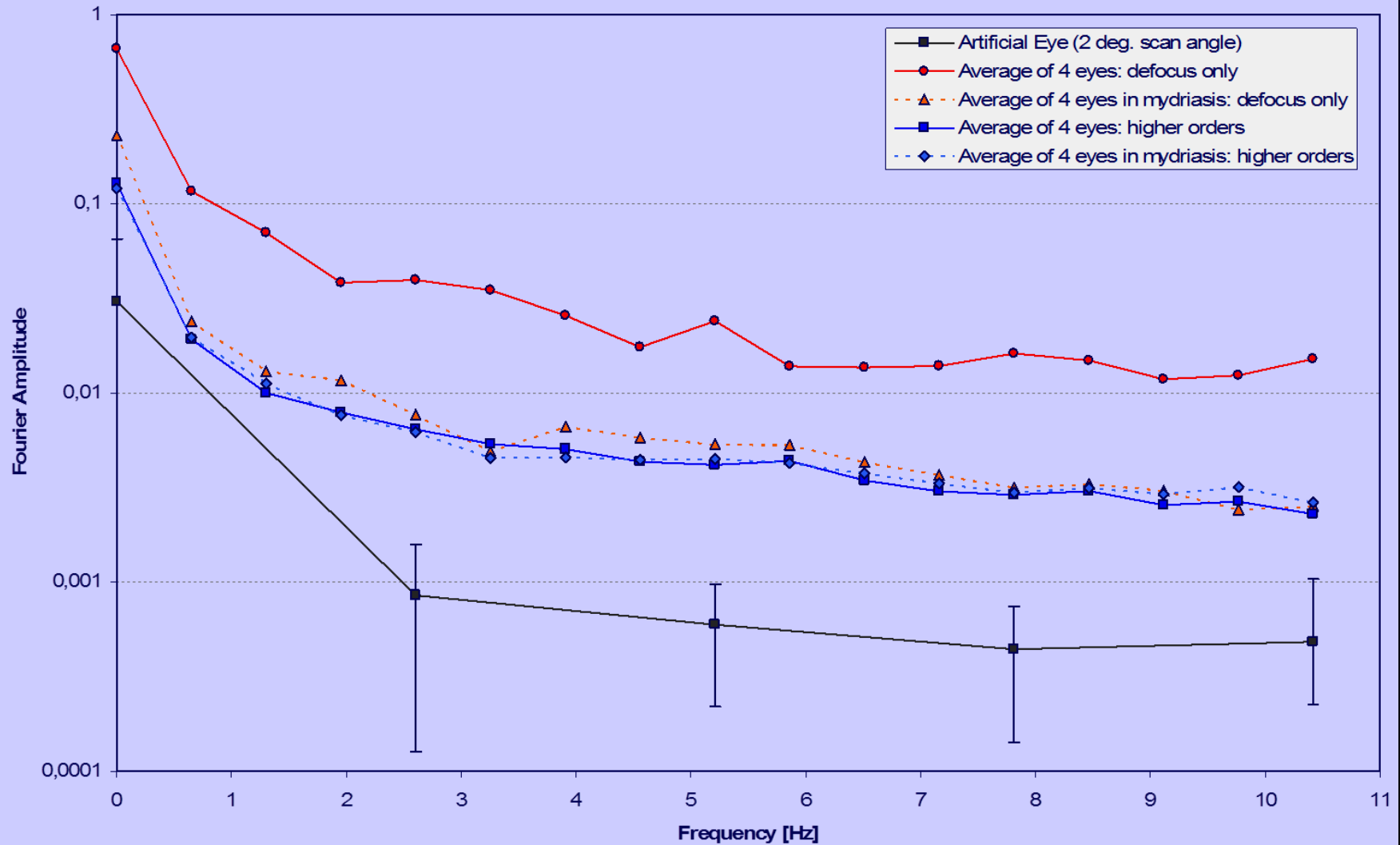
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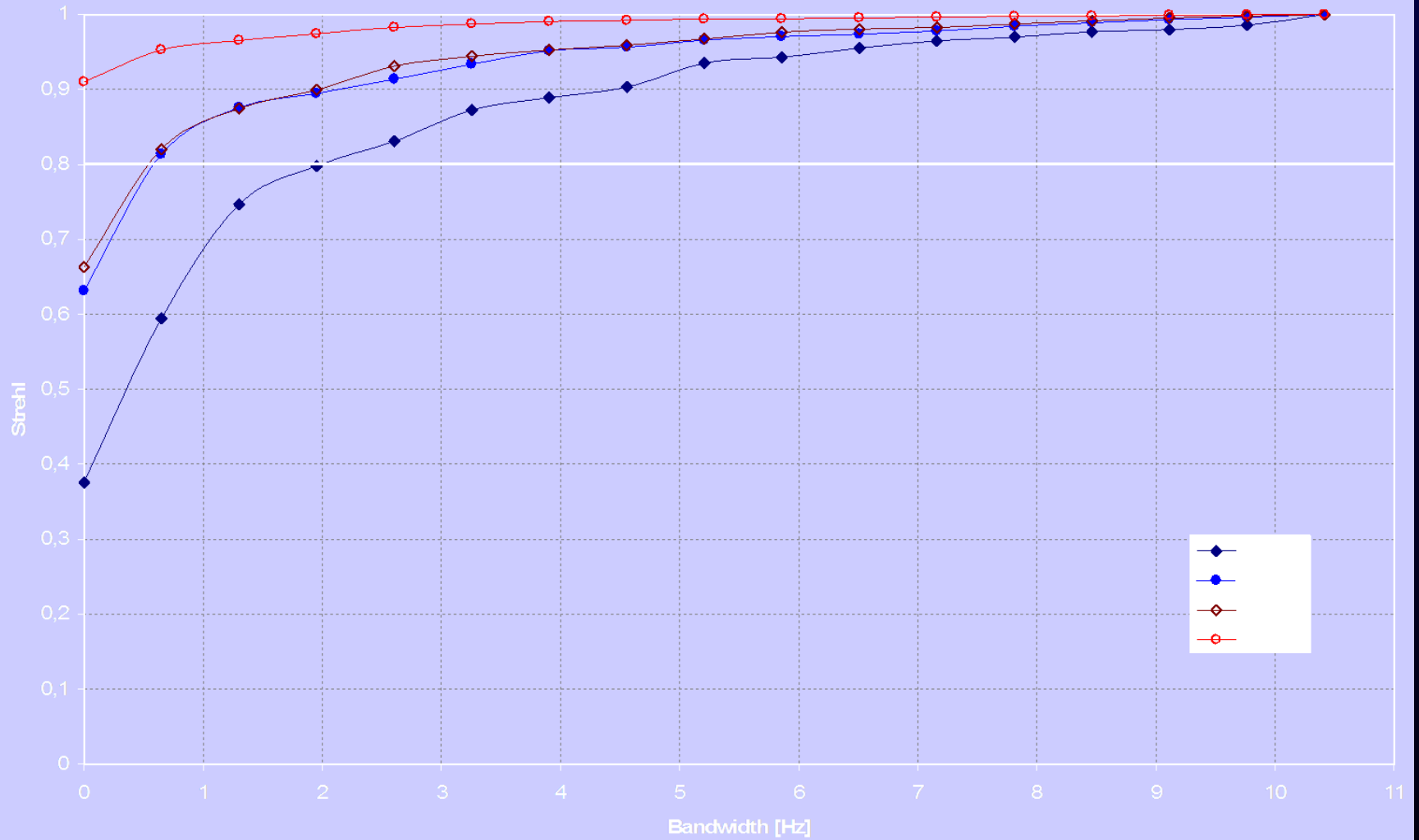


# Aberrations in dependence of frequency





# Strehl in dependence of bandwidth





# Strehl after static compensation

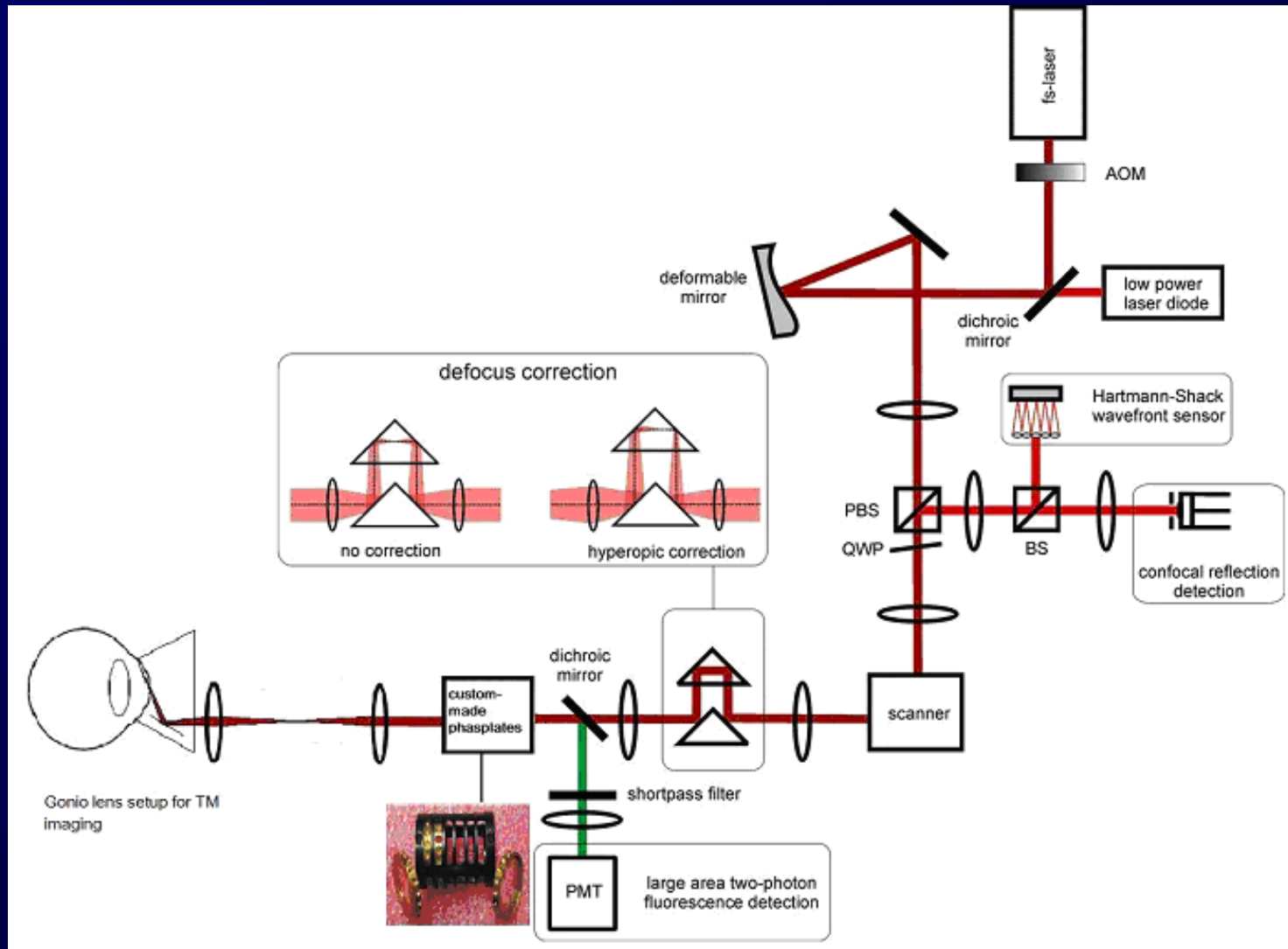
Proband	Eye	Strehl uncorrected (5.5 mm pupil)	Strehl after ideal spherocylindrical correction	Strehl after static correction of all aberrations
FM	OS	< 0.05	0.21	0.38
	OD	< 0.05	0.10	0.63
JC	OS	< 0.05	0.27	0.66
	OD	< 0.05	0.32	0.91

Bille J, Büchler-Costa J, Müller F, Aberration-free Refractive Surgery  
Springer, 2001





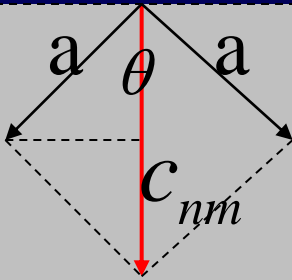
# Optics of customized aberration-free Imaging





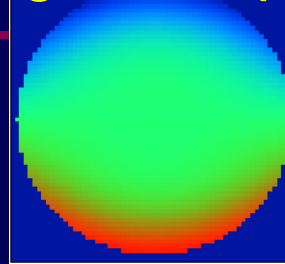
# Precompensation of 3rd Order Aberrations using Phaseplates

$$c_{nm} = \sqrt{(c_n^{-m})^2 + (c_n^m)^2}$$
$$\alpha_{nm} = \frac{a \tan\left(\frac{c_n^{-m}}{c_n^m}\right)}{|m|}$$

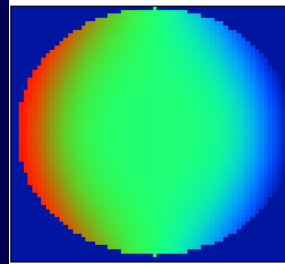


$$\theta = 2 \arccos\left(\frac{c_{nm}}{2a}\right)$$

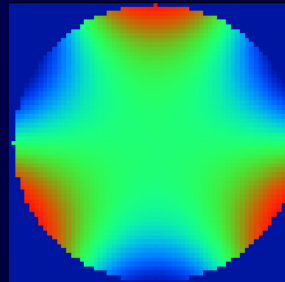
$$\beta_{all} = \alpha_{nm} + \frac{180}{m}$$



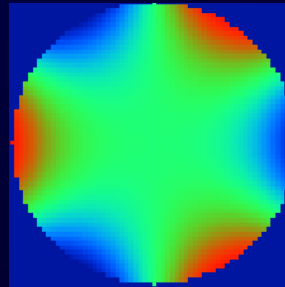
Z7 1 micron



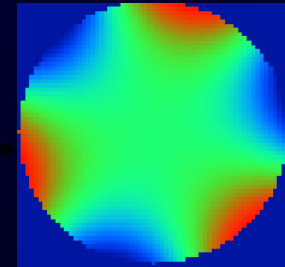
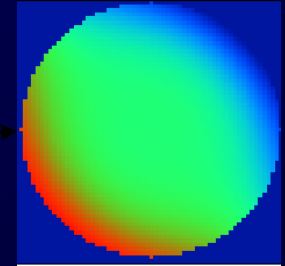
Z8 1 micron



Z9 1 micron

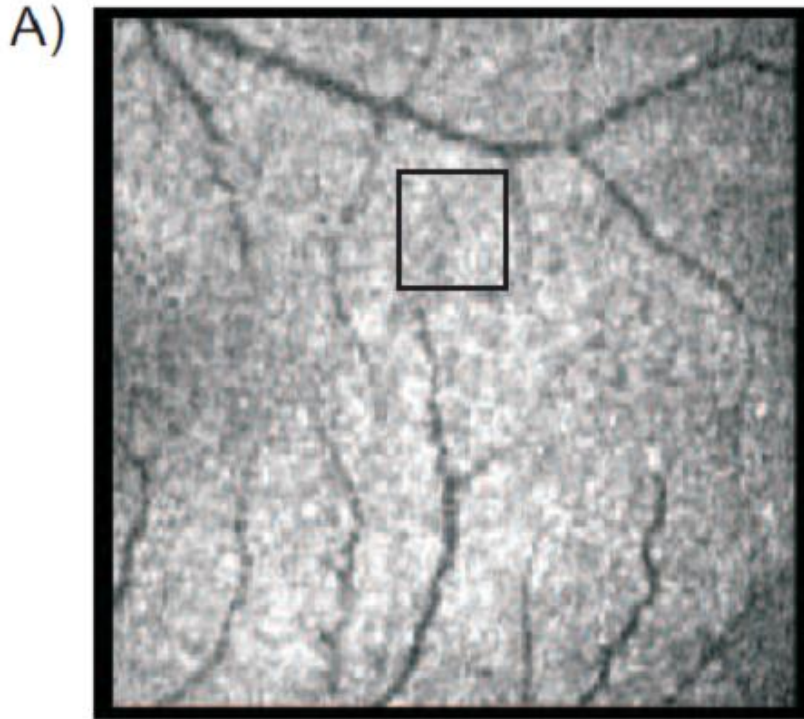


Z10 1 micron

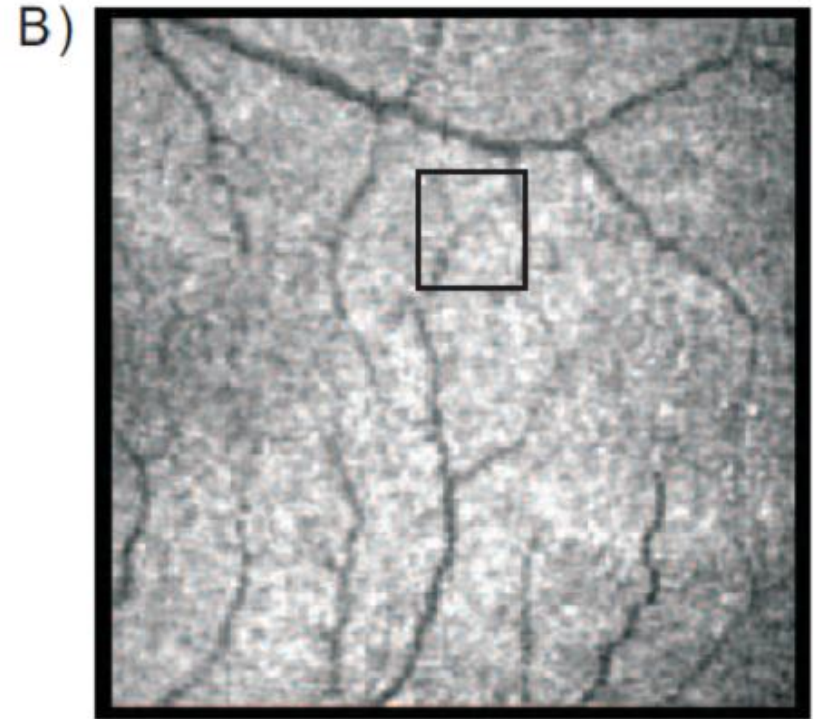




# Coma Correction



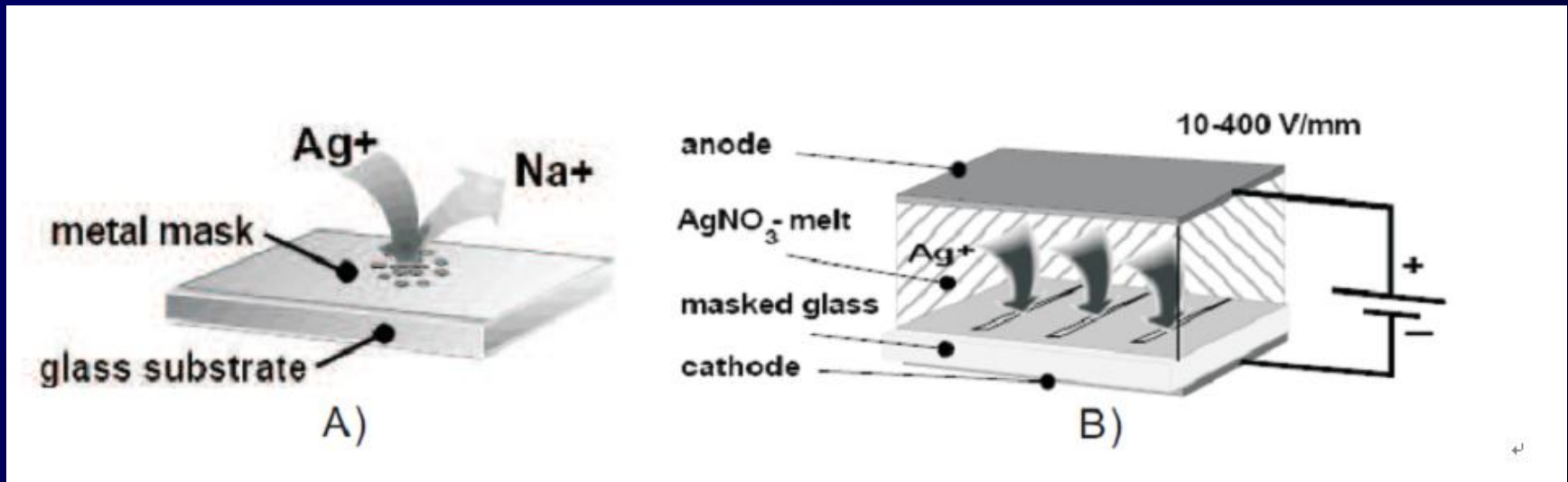
A) Before coma correction



B) After coma correction



# Mask Structured Ion Exchange Technique

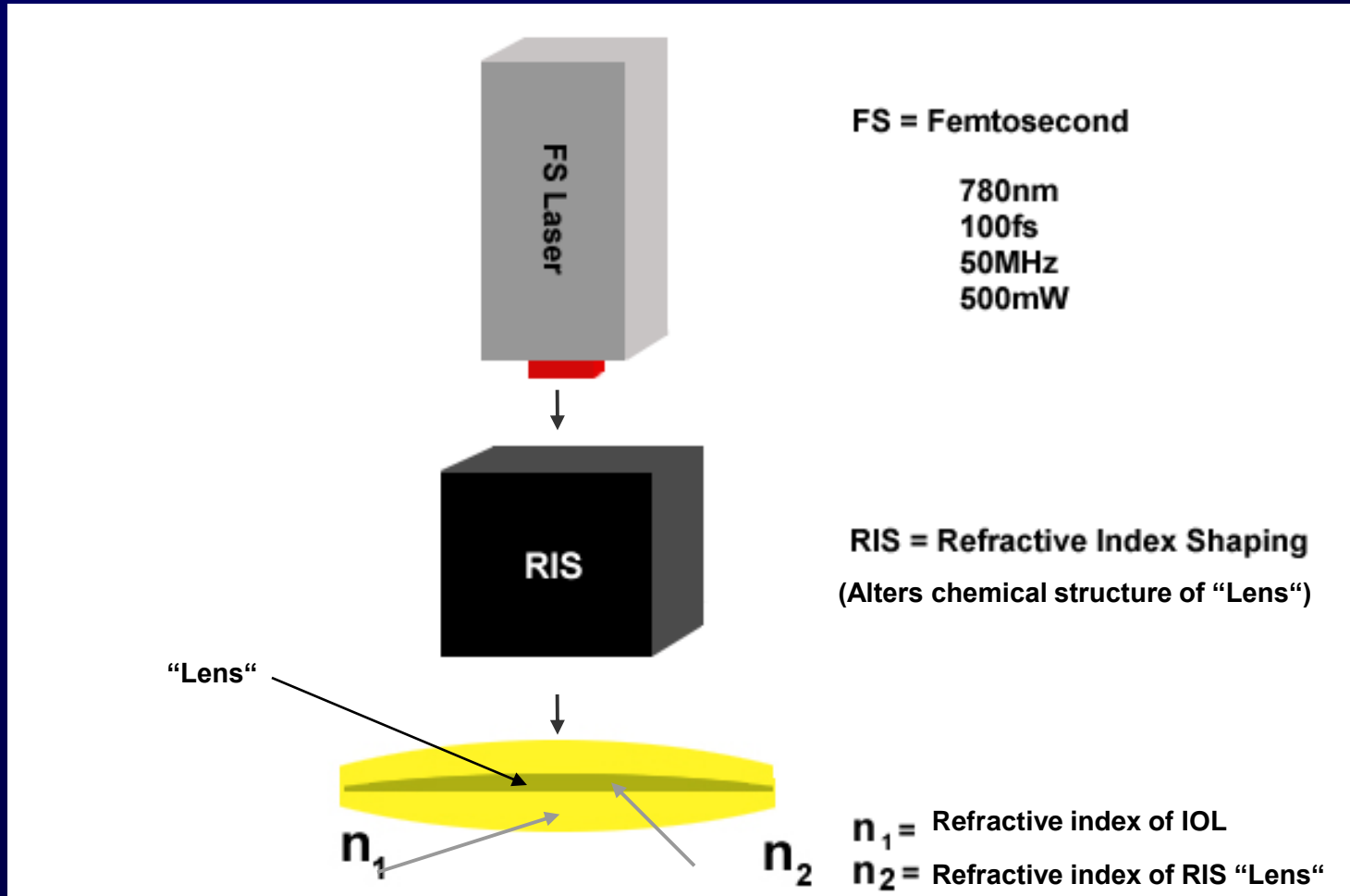


- A) Thermal diffusion: exchange of  $Na^+$  by  $Ag^+$  ions.
- B) Field assisted process:  $Ag^+$  ion current.



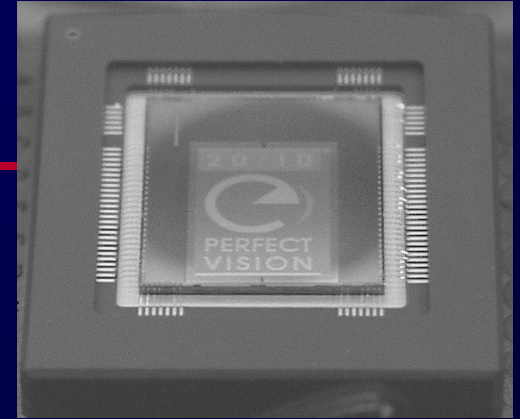


# Mask-free Writing of Customized Phaseplates

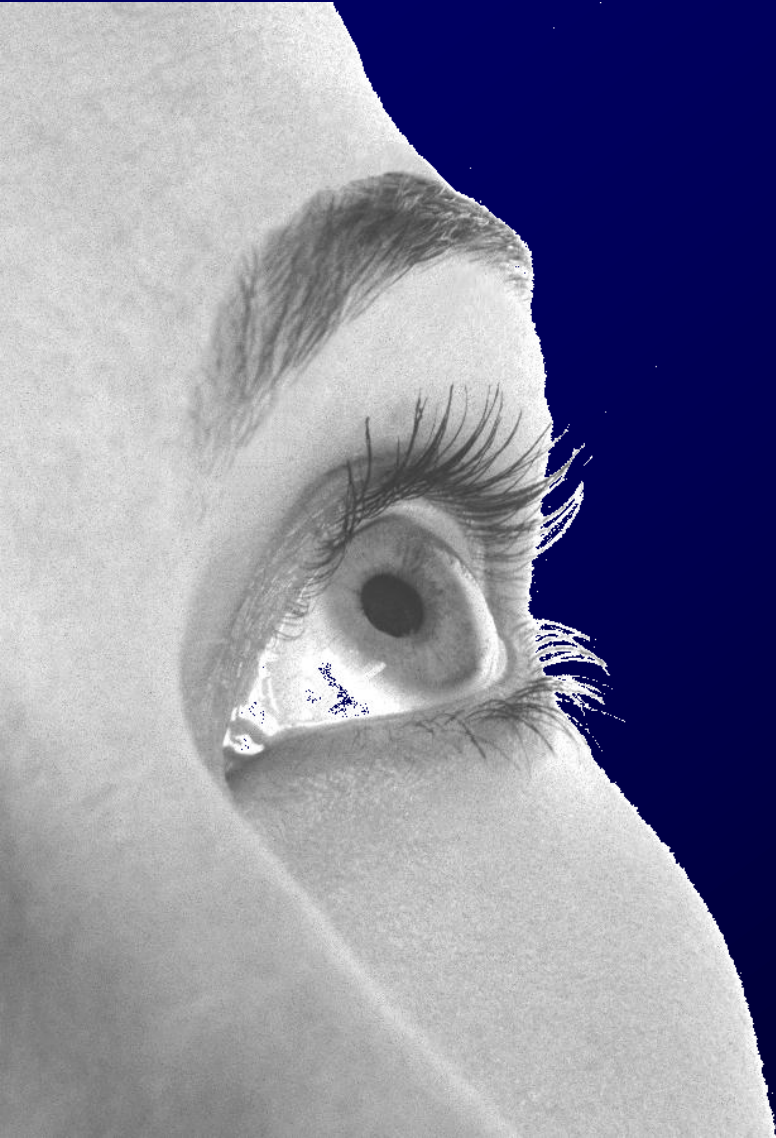




# Conclusion



- Second harmonic imaging provides new noninvasive structural information of the components of the human eye
- Two photon excited autofluorescence allows for structural and functional information of the retina
- Adaptive-optical beam shaping and AOM-controlled intensity-window contrast enhancement can provide cellular detail in in-vivo retina imaging



*Thank you  
for your  
attention !*