

# Nanostructured substrates for surface enhanced spectroscopy

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# Pilot project introduction



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Goal:

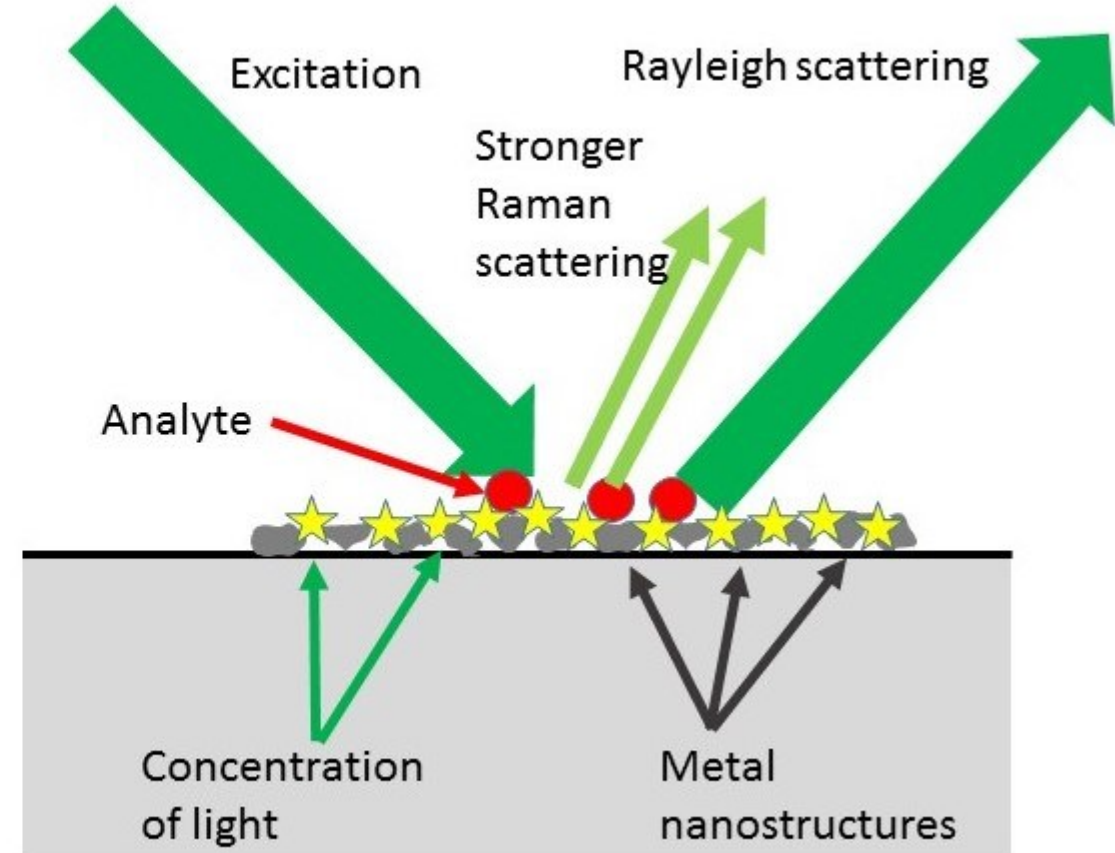
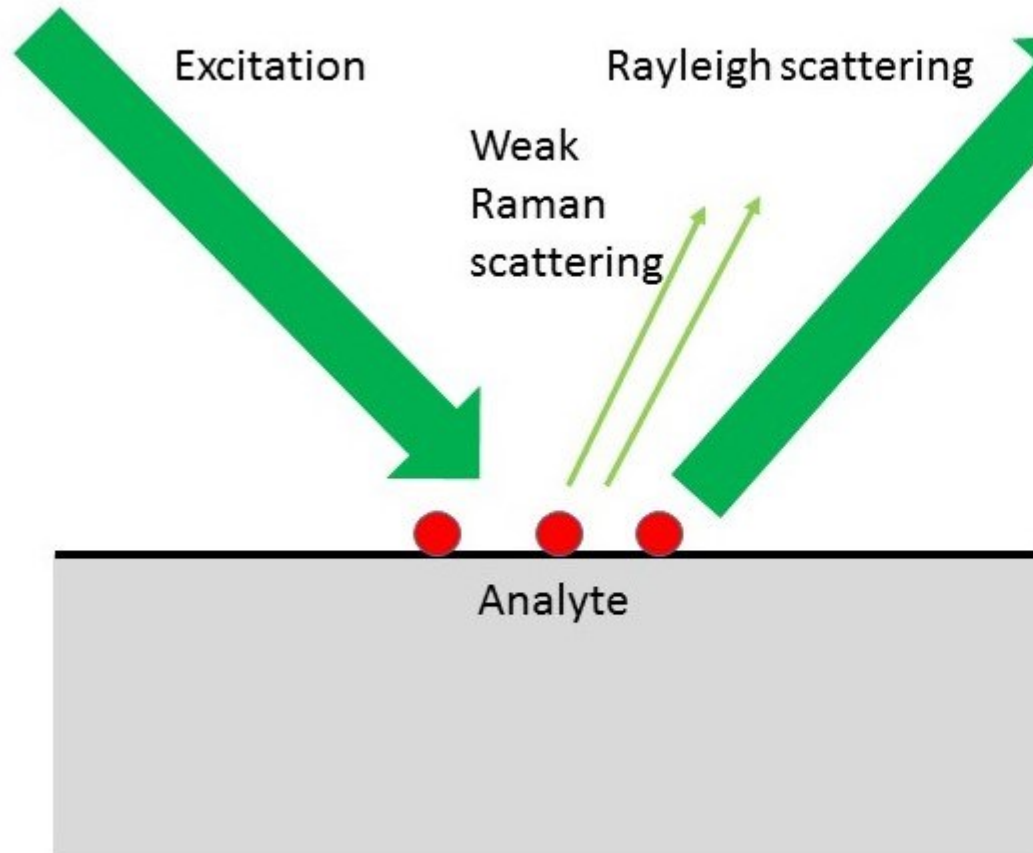
*Most microspectroscopy (fluorescence and non-fluorescence) techniques suffer from poor signal-to-noise, which limit their acquisition speeds and efficiency. Optimization thereof can allow for the study of dynamic biological processes otherwise not possible. By fabricating and employing suitable nanostructures this can be enhanced.*

***Dynamic microspectroscopy in many projects we get is highly desirable but currently not possible due to finite acquisition time***

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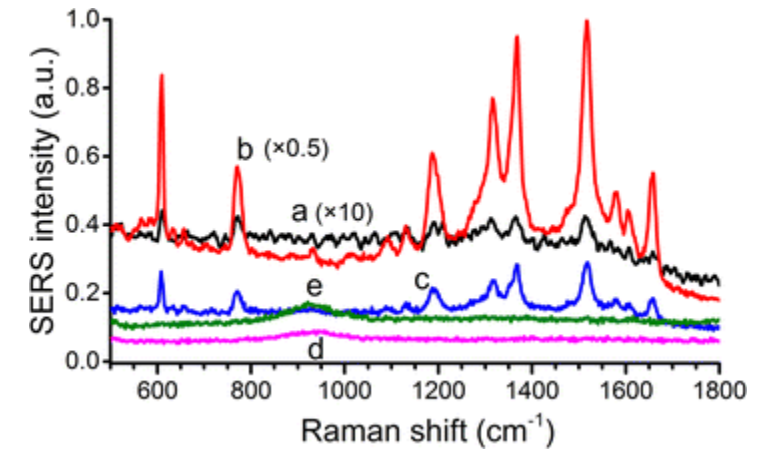
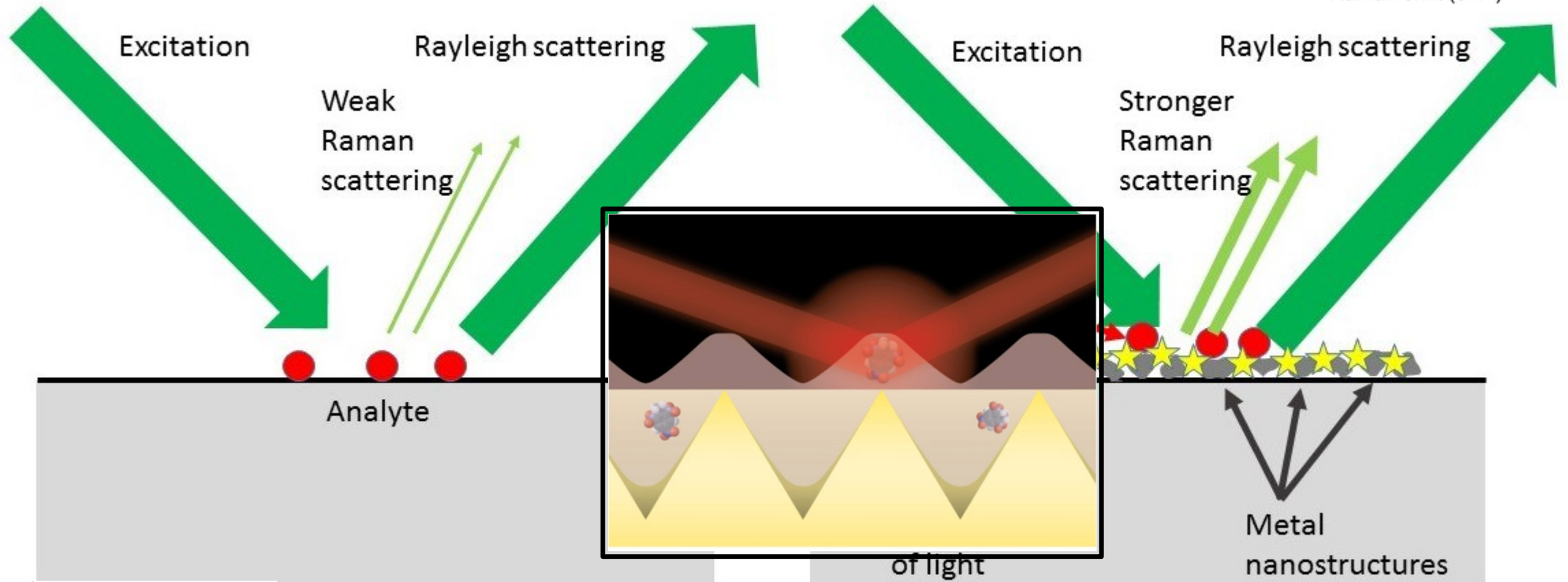


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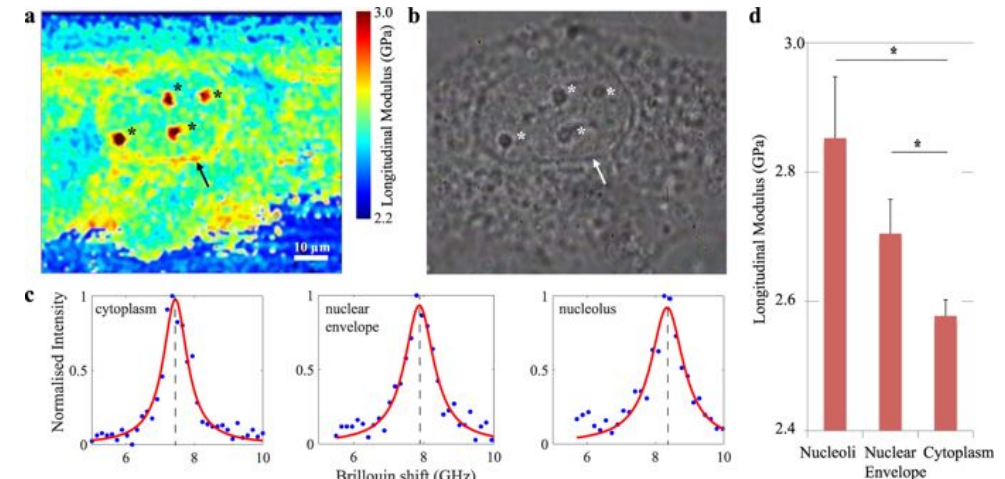
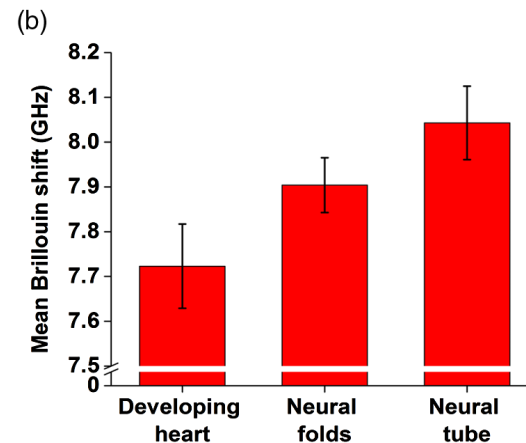
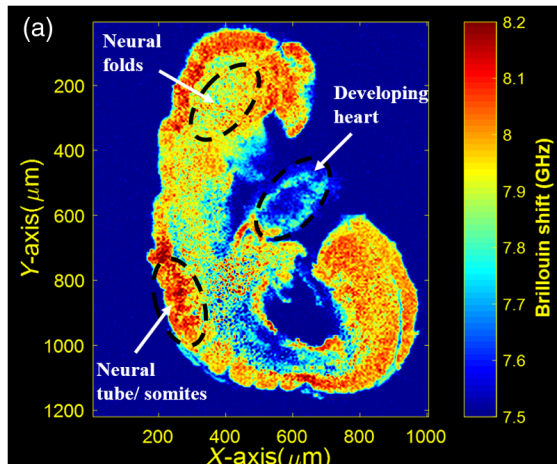
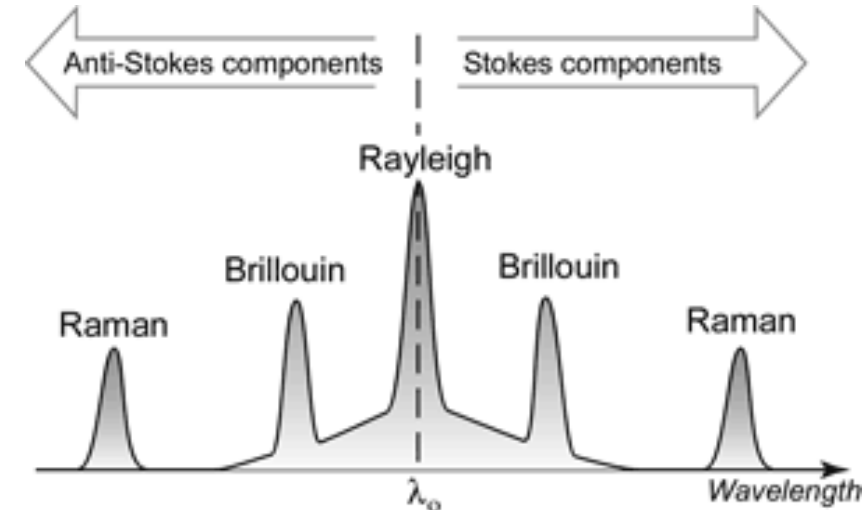
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## Brillouin Microscopy (VBCF)

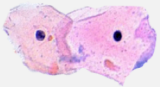

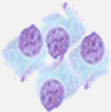
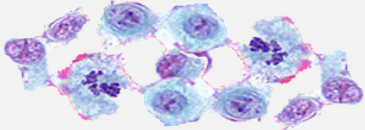

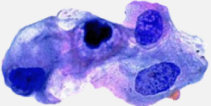
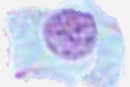
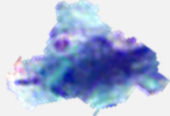
All optical measurement of mechanical properties via VERY small ( $\sim 1/1000$  nm) spectral shift – challenging

Long acquisition times / high laser powers



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## Mechanical properties are important!

Normal	Cancer	
		Large, variably shaped nuclei
		Many dividing cells; Disorganized arrangement
		Variation in size and shape
		Loss of normal features

<http://sphweb.bumc.bu.edu>

- **Potential end-users:**

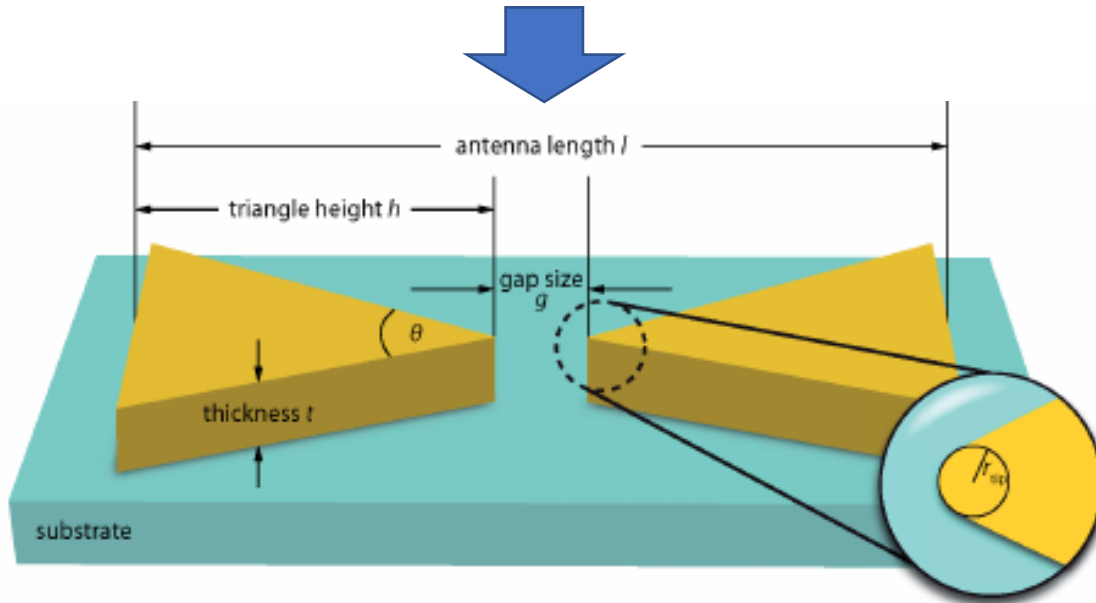
*Mostly academic users – possible candidates:*

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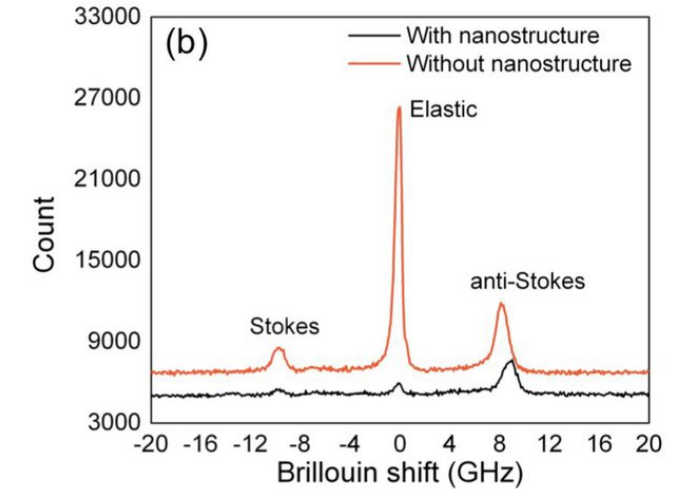
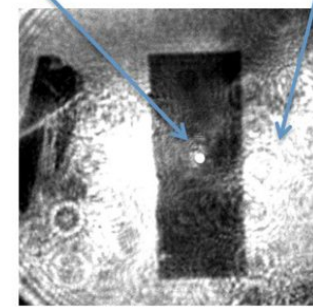
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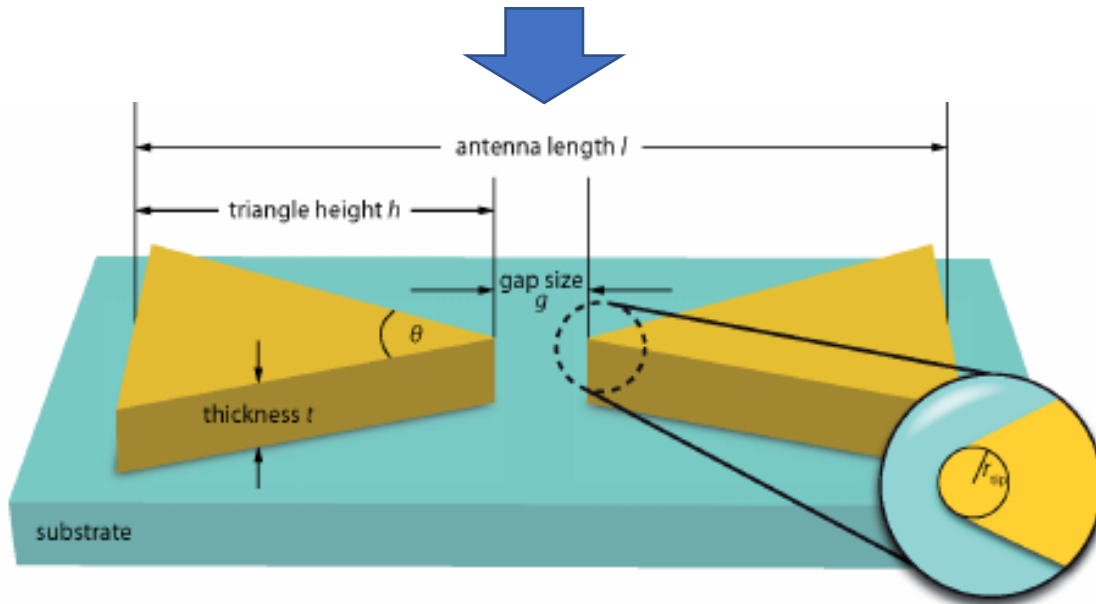
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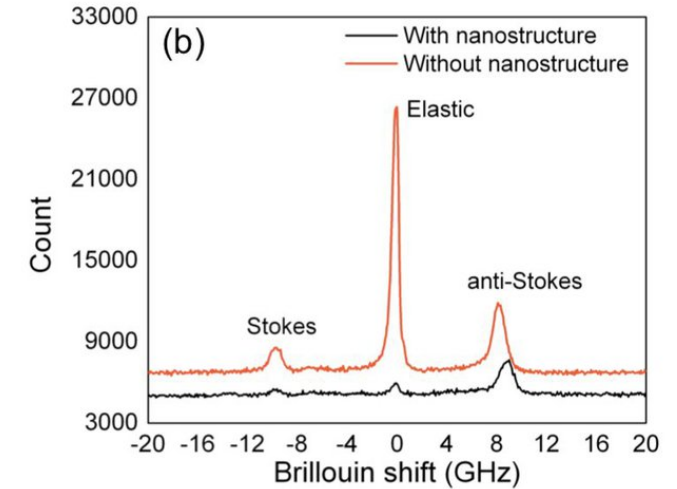
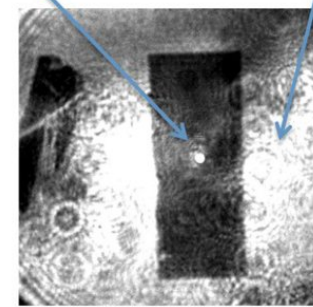
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Work on engineering *phonon density of states*

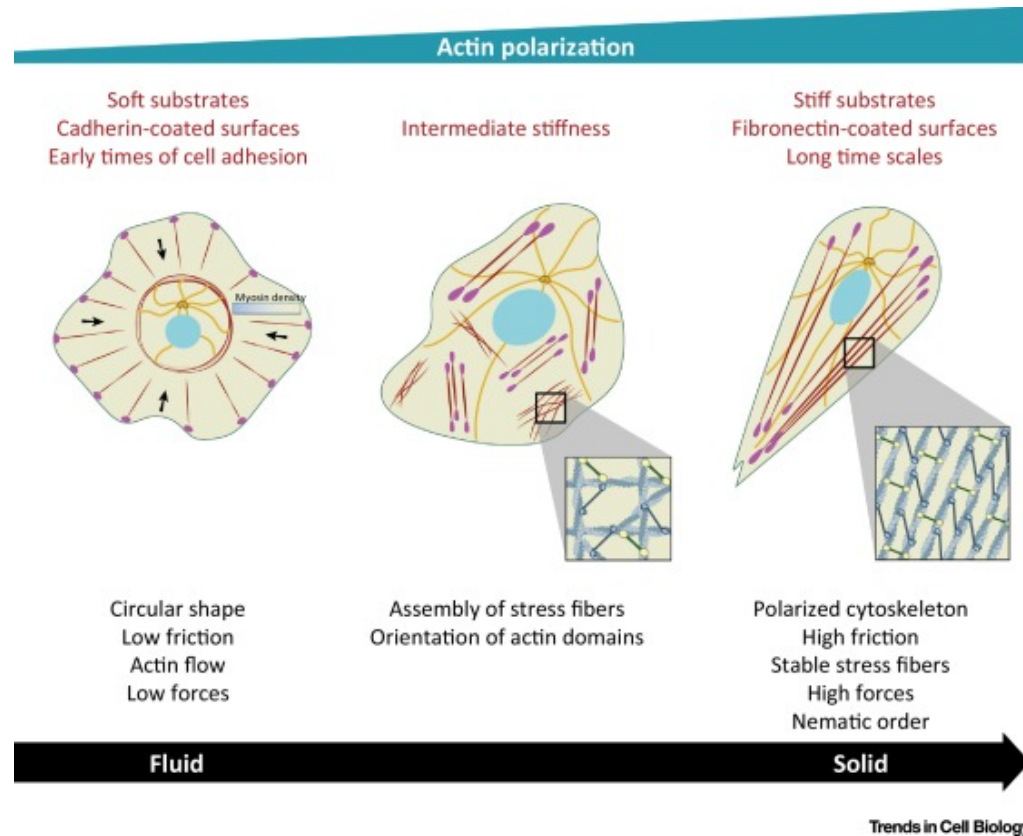
TRICKY

(planned collaboration with Bert Hecht, Wuerzburg)



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## Mechanical properties are rarely isotropic



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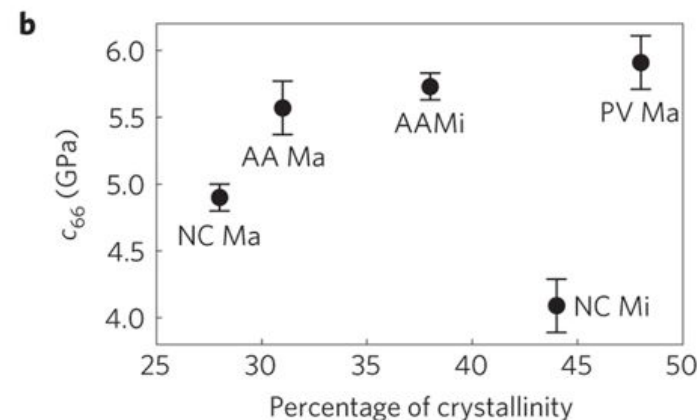
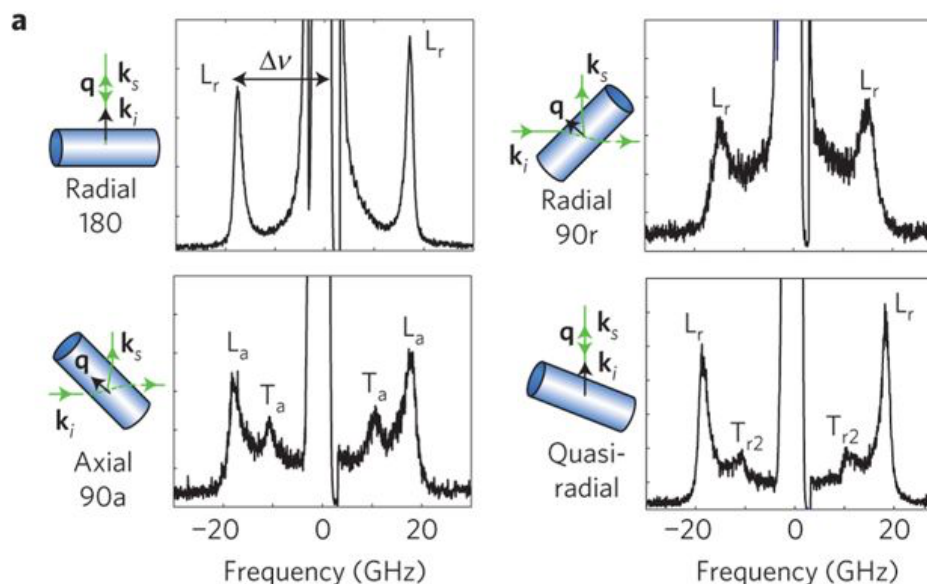
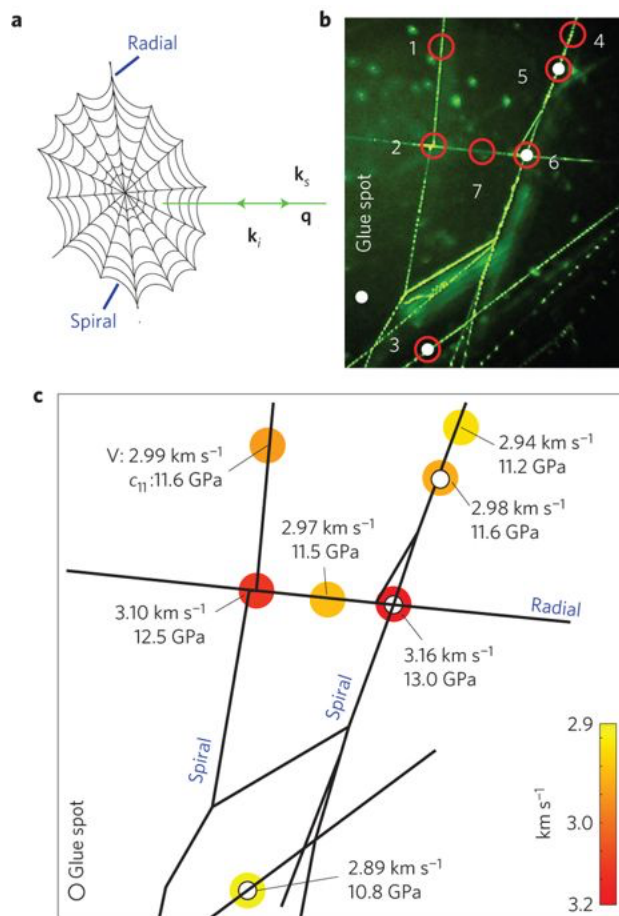
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**“Would be great to know anisotropy!!”**

# “Stiffness tensor”

Can be obtained from Brillouin Scattering measurements\*

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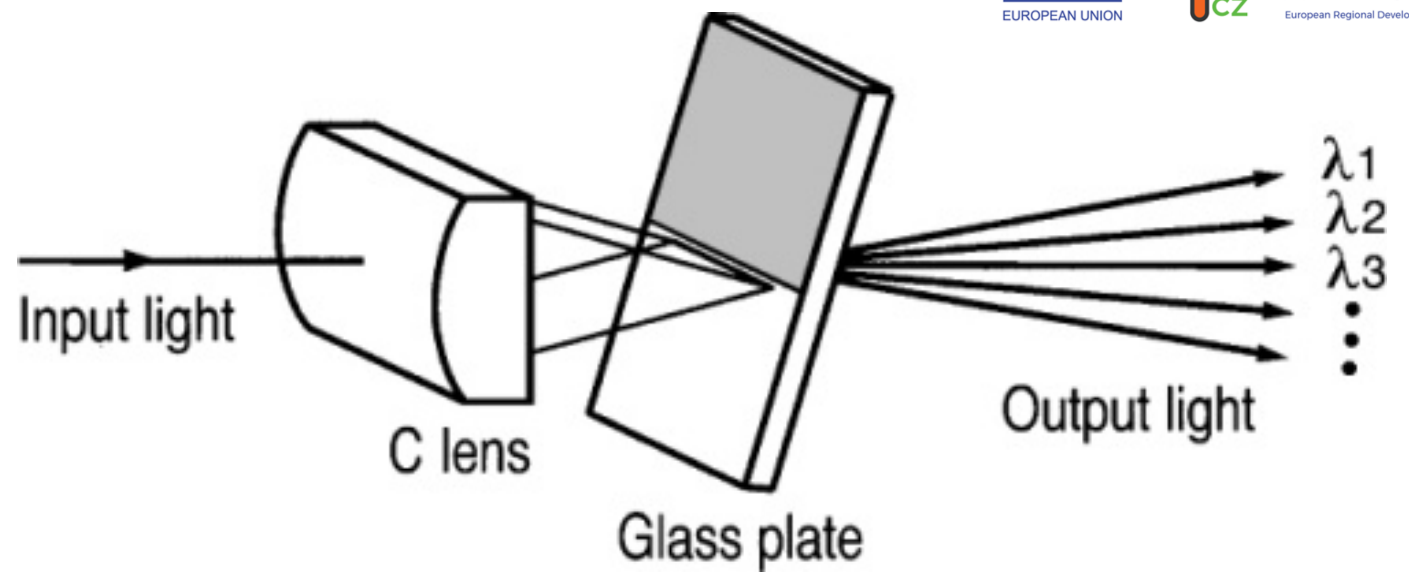
**Tricky sequential measurements from different angles and polarizations**

Most groups who are measuring anisotropic structures and fibers would be very interested in getting this!

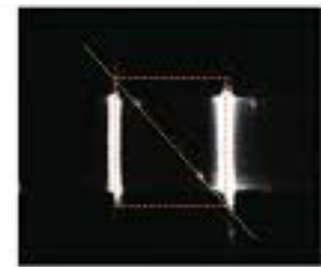
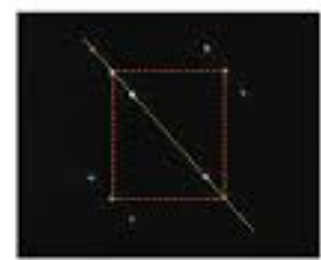
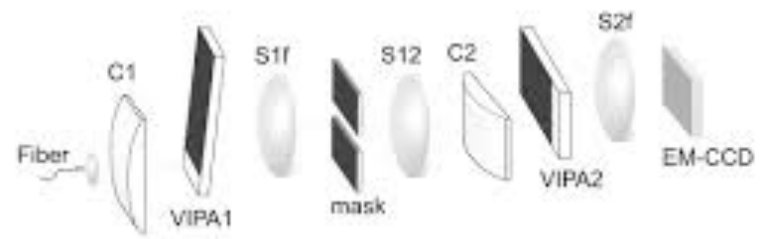
\*No other technique is capable of this!

# “VIPA”

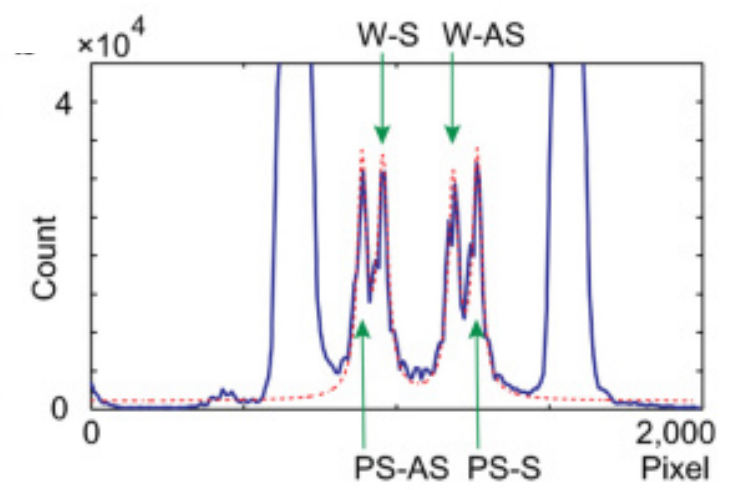
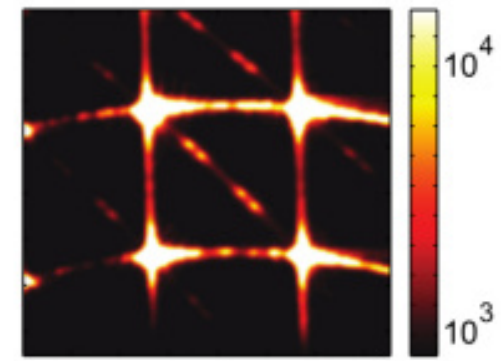
Can only obtain spectra from a single measuring configuration (angle and polarization)



## Cross-dispersion

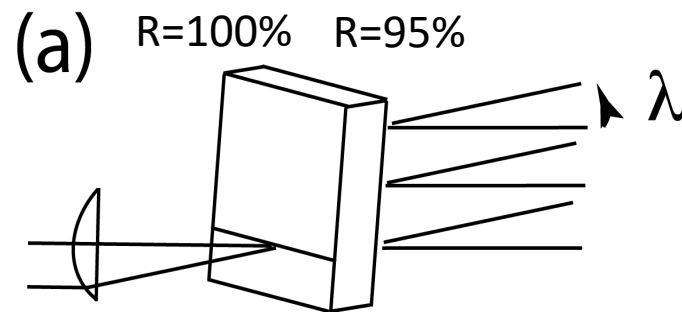


## Shear modulus (non-cross-terms)



But life is 3D...

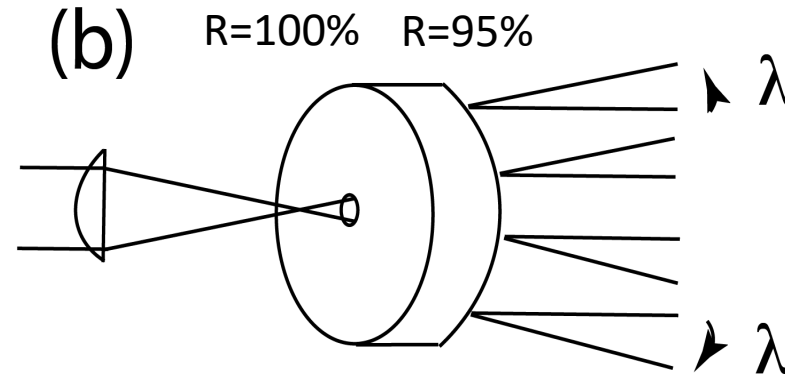
Can we use the extra degree of freedom?



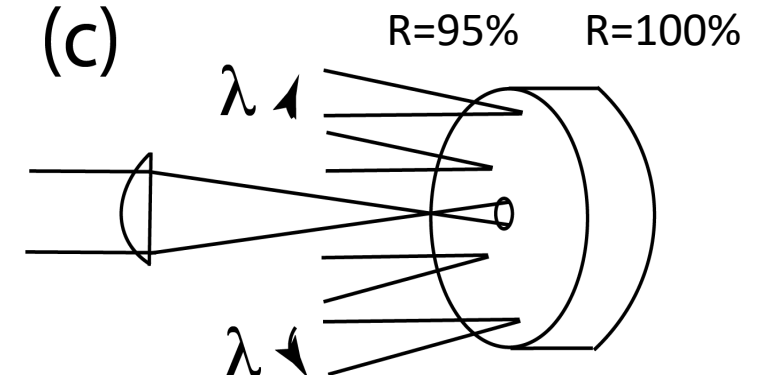
VIPA

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Can purchase



radial VIPA



reflective radial VIPA

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Fabricate at CEITEC

## Super flat (etalon) substrates



### **Thin film deposition:**

Device: Ion beam sputter with a Kaufman source

Materials: Ti ( $t=2$  nm) / Au ( $t=70$  nm)

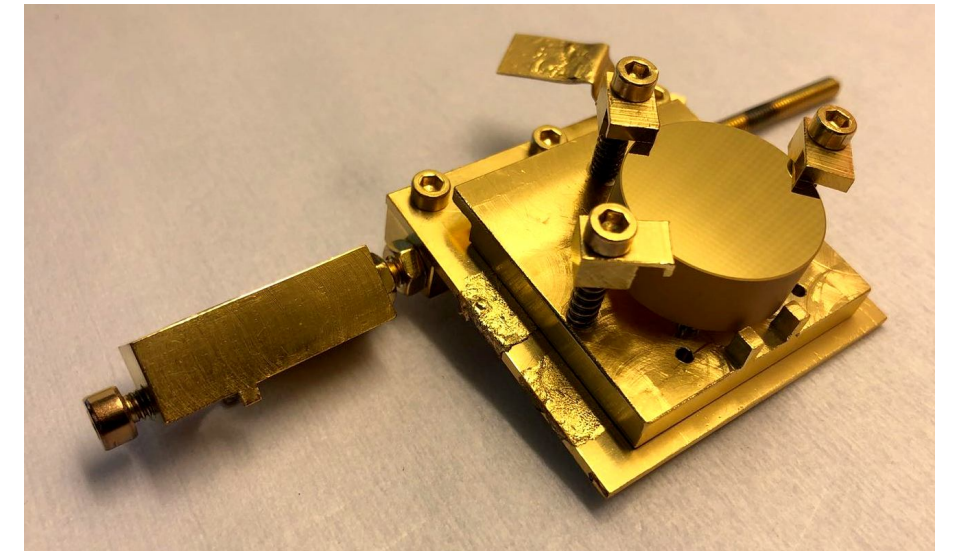
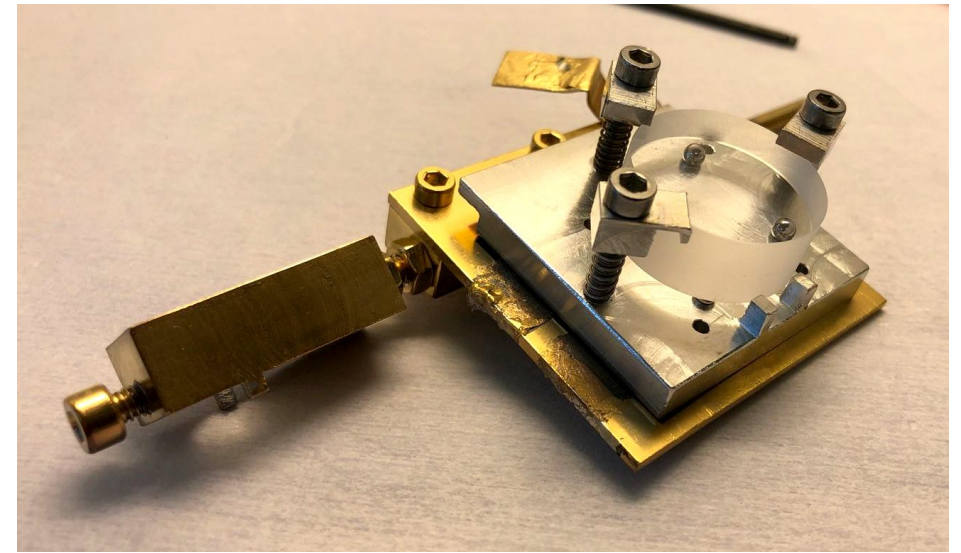
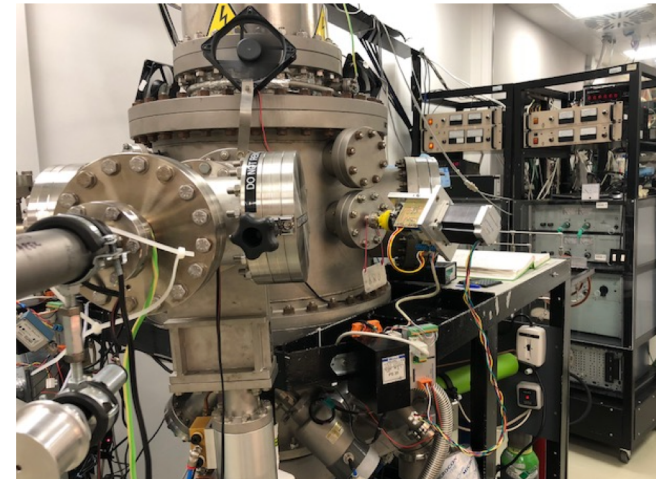
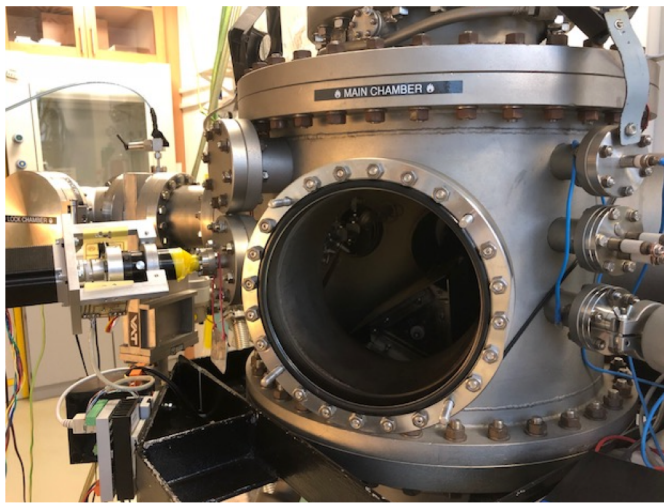
Chamber pressure:  $1.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$  mbar

### **Patterning (ion milling):**

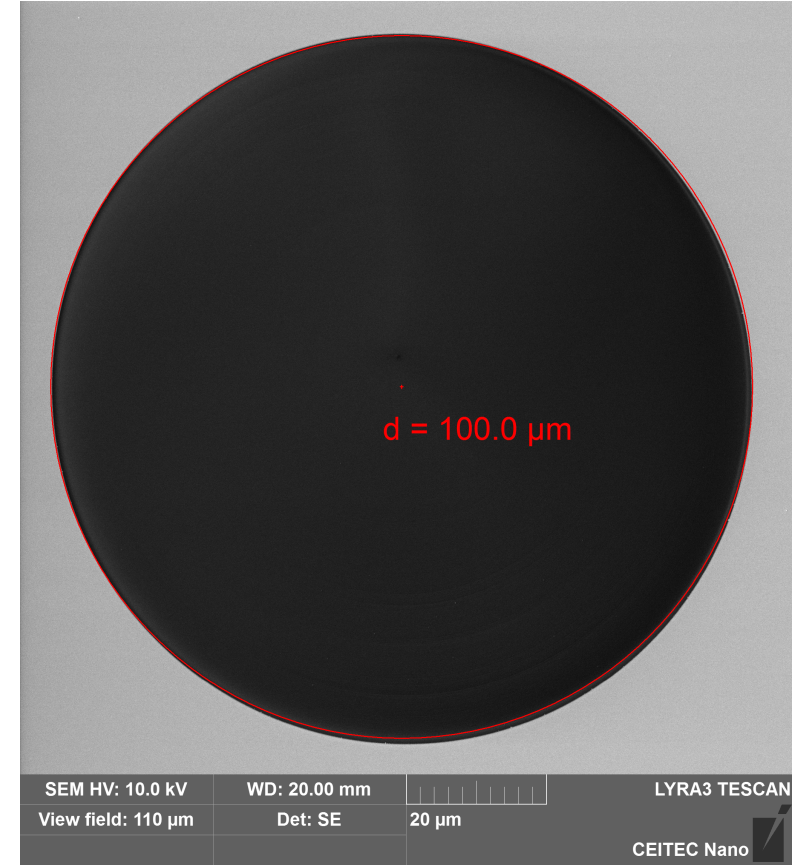
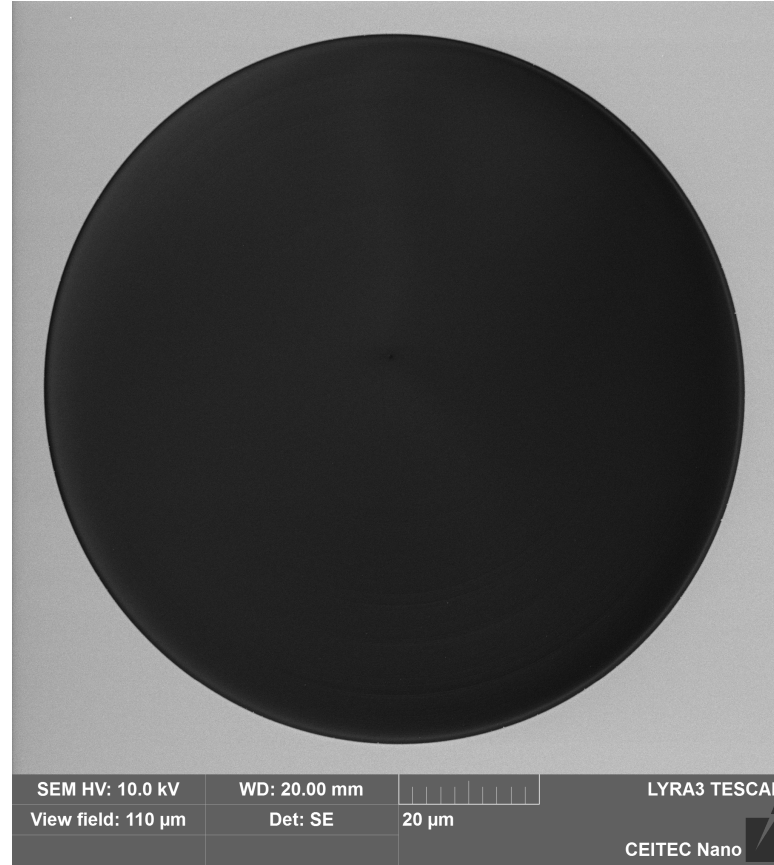
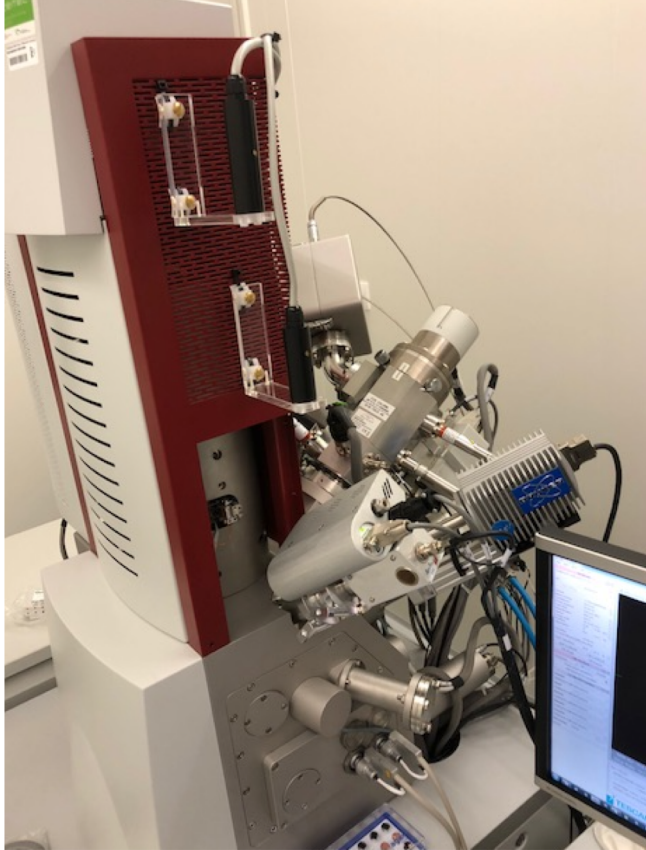
Device: Focused ion beam scanning electron microscope  
(TESCAN dual-beam FIB/SEM LYRA3 system)

Structure: a microhole pattern with  $100 \mu\text{m}$  in diameter etched through the 70 nm thick gold film at the center of the etalon substrate.

(Conditions: 30 kV accelerating voltage, 660 pA probe current)



The coating of etalon substrates was realized by Ion Beam Sputtering (IBS) technique in an in-house developed sputter equipped with a Kaufman-type argon ion source.



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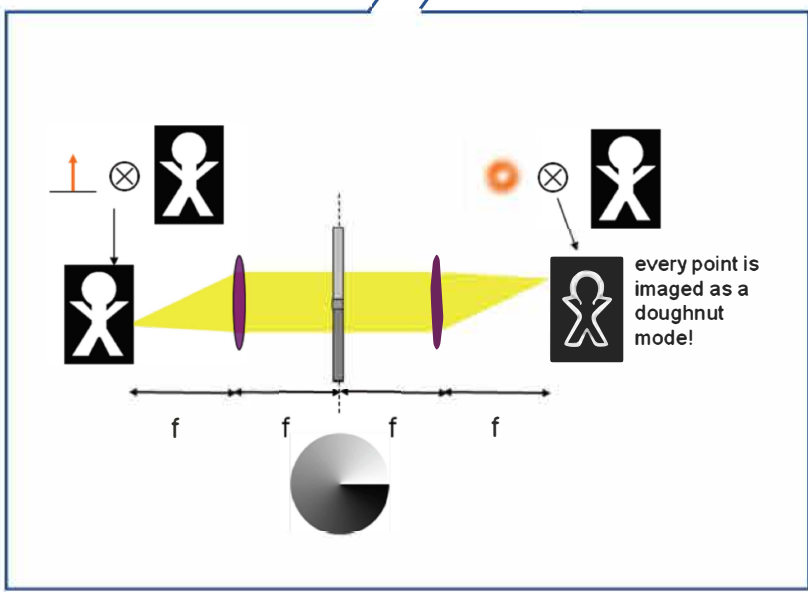
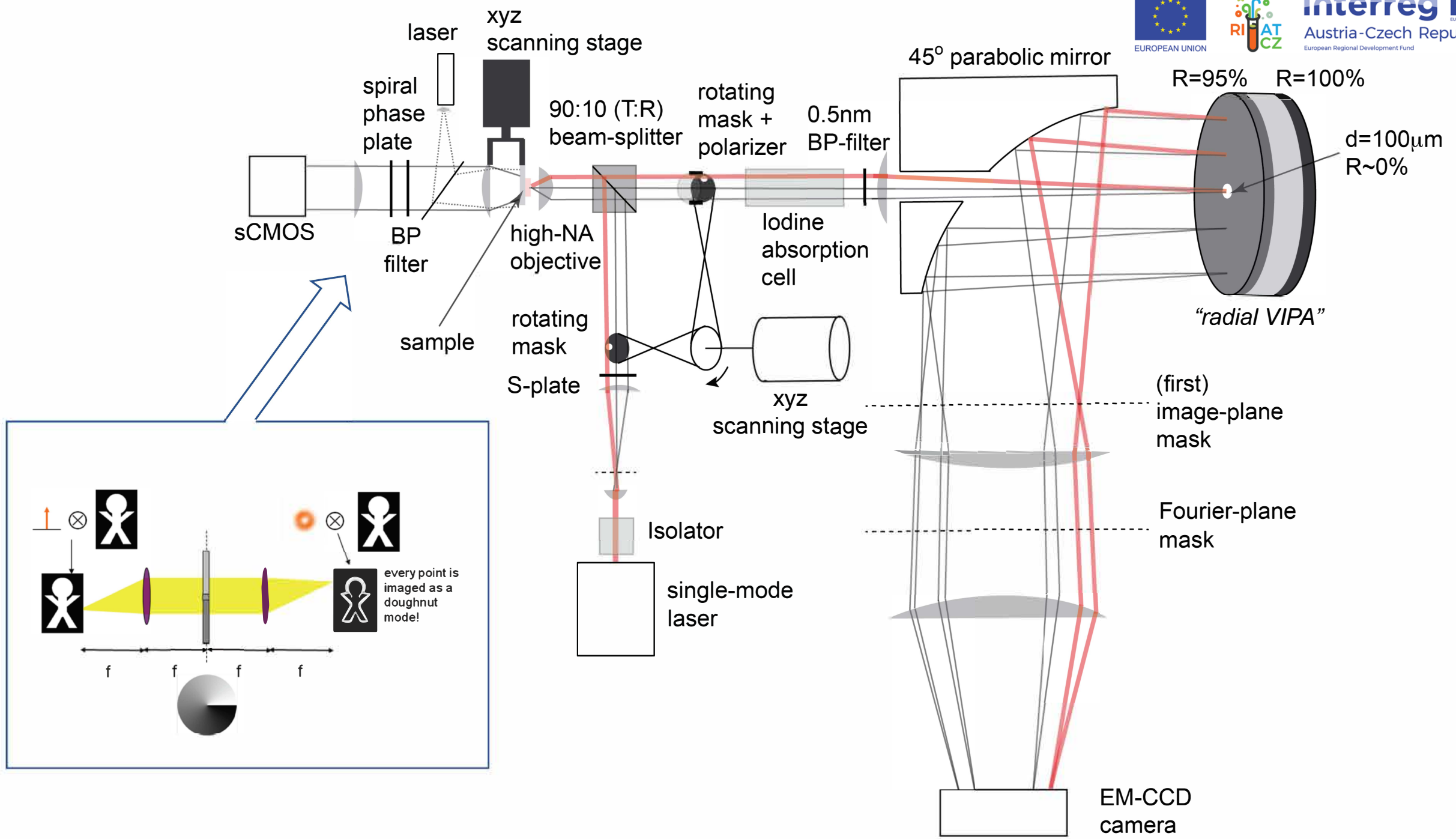
\*CEITEC Nano

# RADIAL VIPA



$d = 100.0 \mu\text{m}$

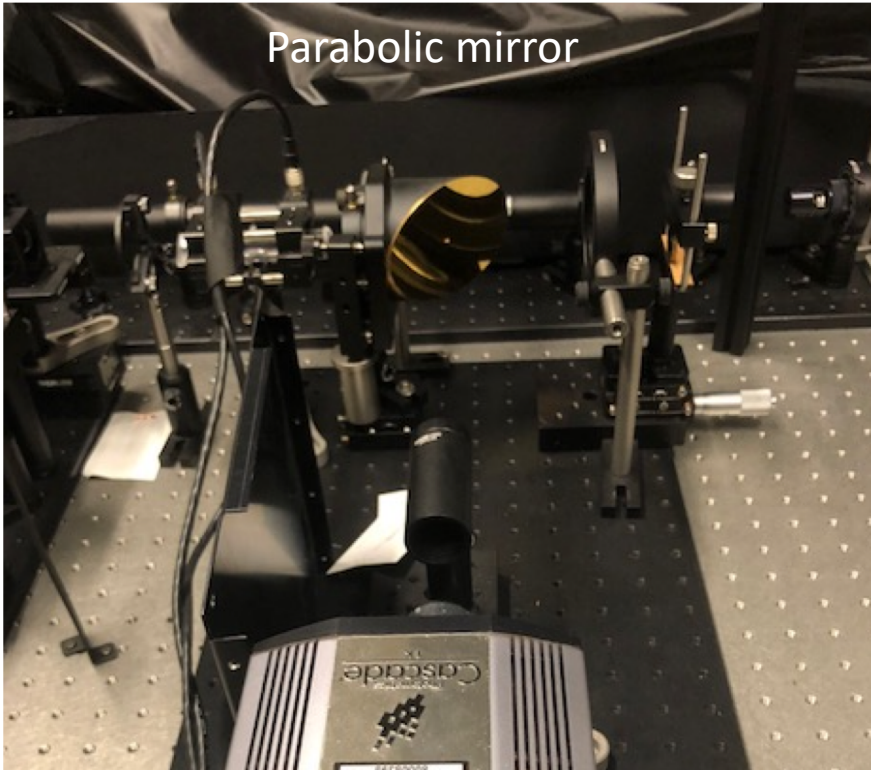




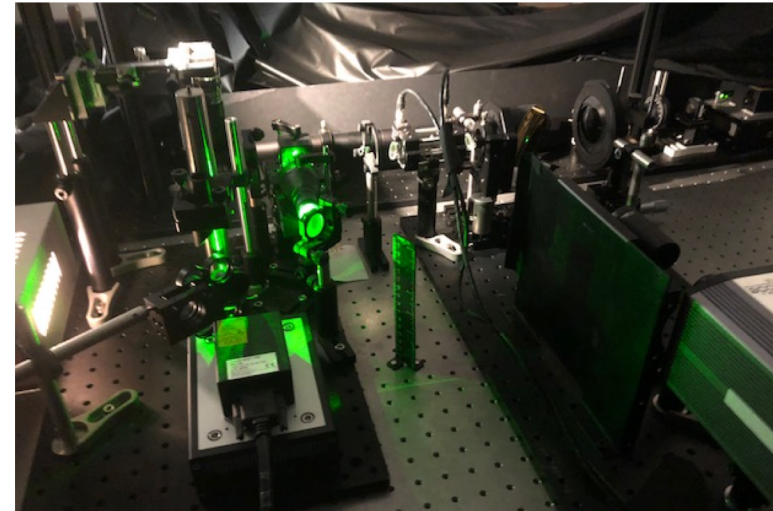
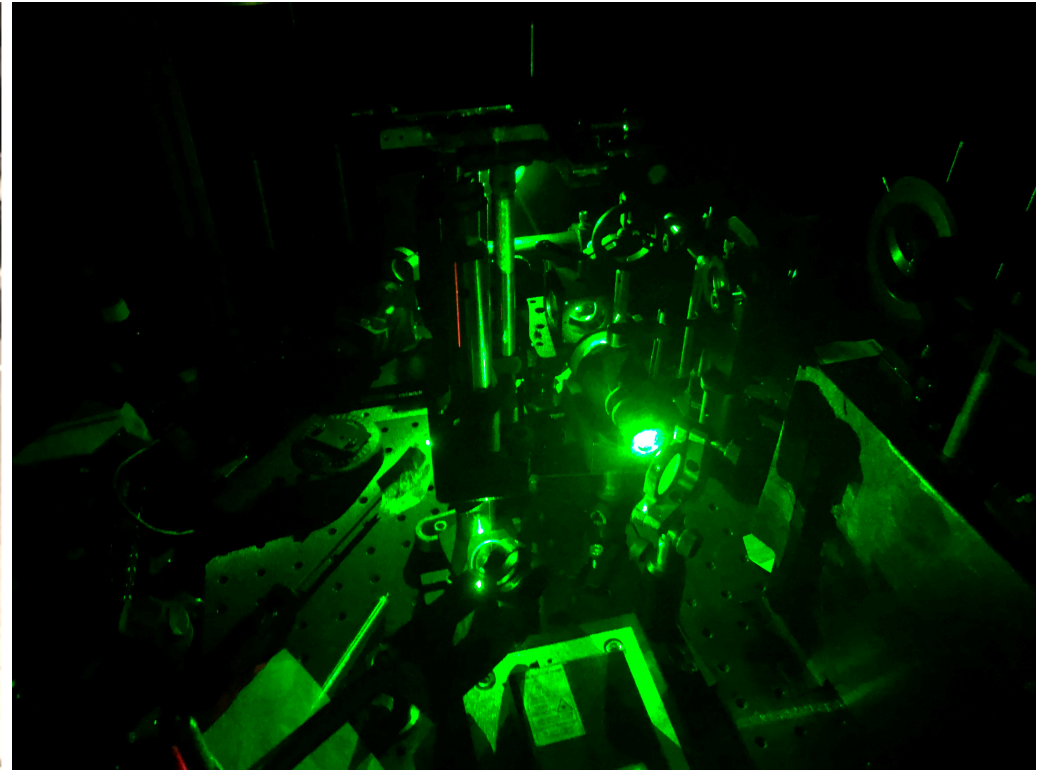
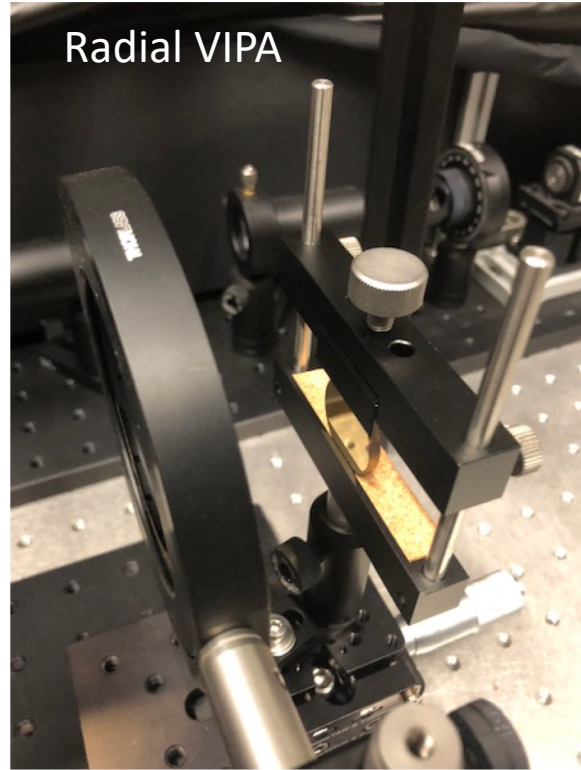
# Radial Dispersion Imaging Microspectroscopy



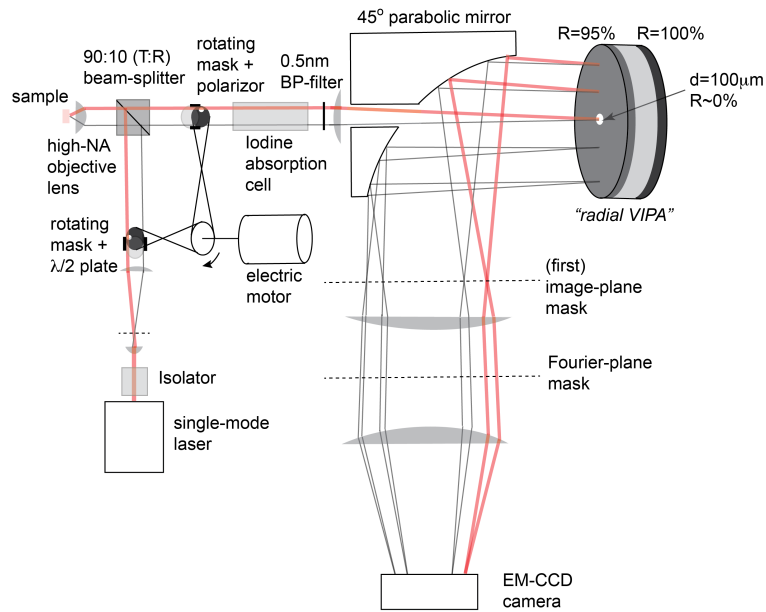
Parabolic mirror



Radial VIPA



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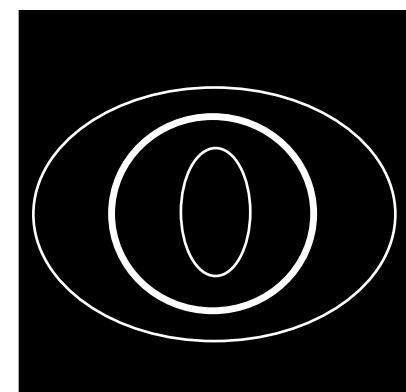
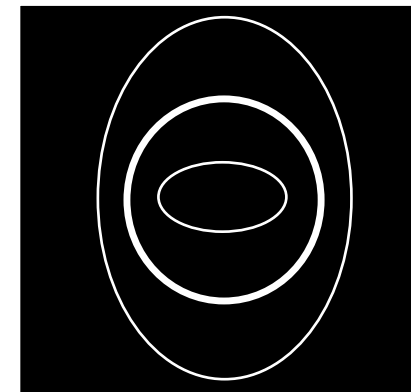
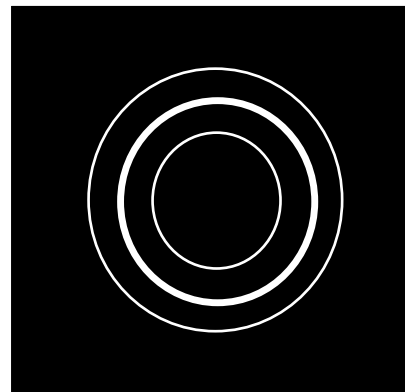
*muscle fiber*



“Stiffer” in vertical direction

“Stiffer” in horizontal direction

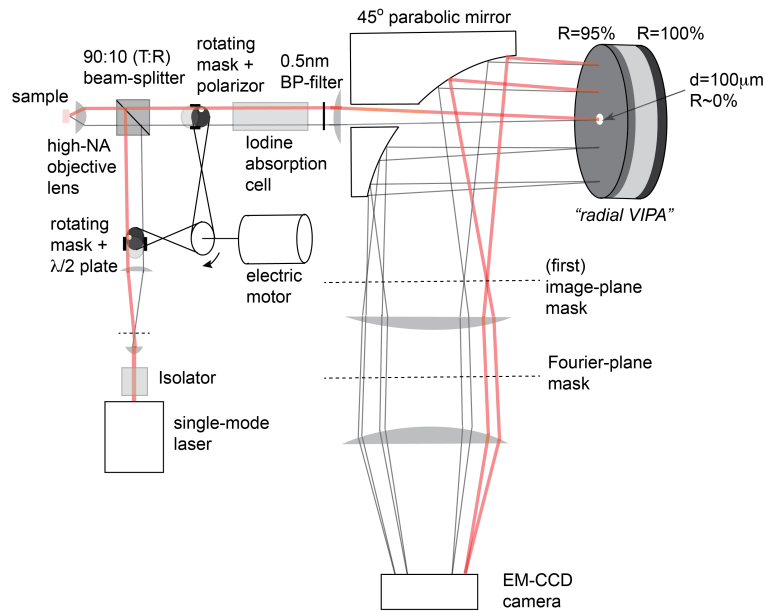
Isotropic “stiffness”



Each angular segment of the circular Projected dispersion probes the sample from a different angle...  
...can get all components of tensor at once!!

$$\sigma_i = C_{ij} \epsilon_j$$

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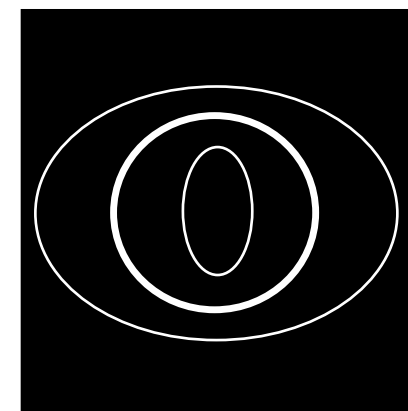
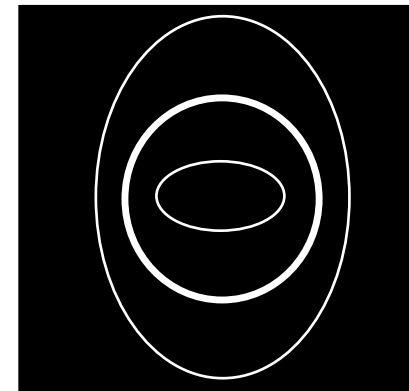
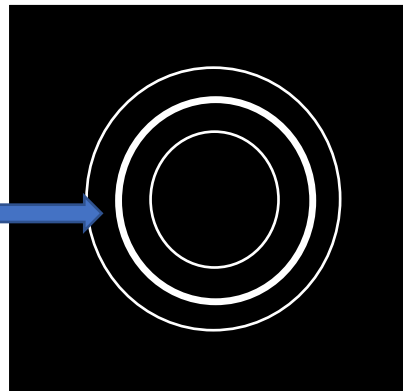
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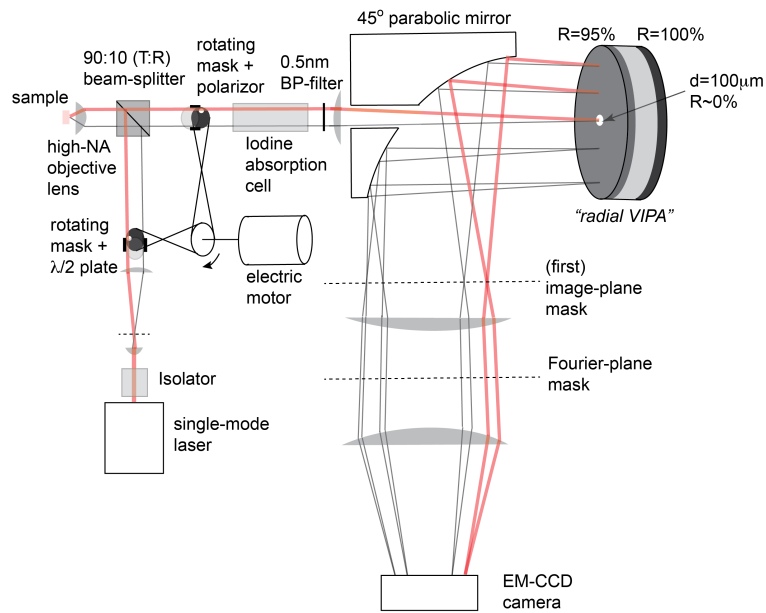
Rayleigh peaks overwhelming  
(since no cross dispersion)



Limits how well you can measure  
weak/small scattering spectra



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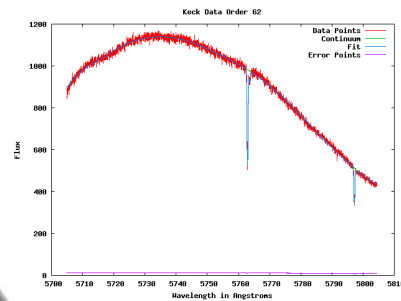
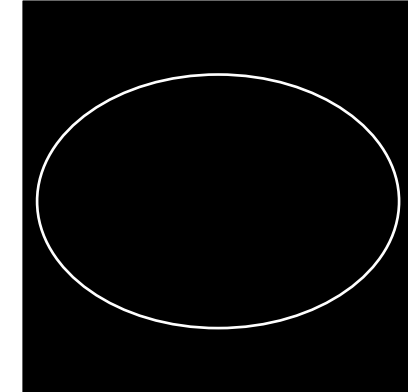
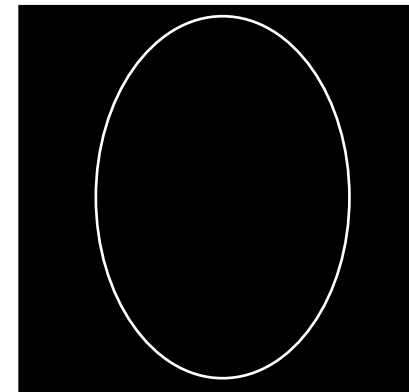
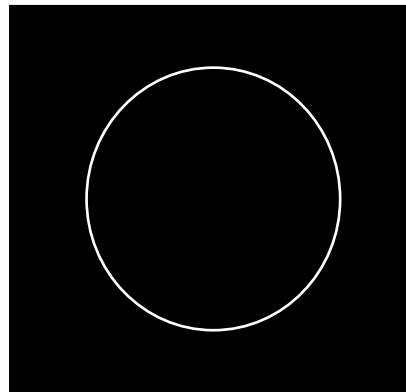
*muscle fiber*



“Stiffer” in vertical direction

“Stiffer” in horizontal direction

Isotropic “stiffness”



Currently fixing issues  
With absorption cell stability

Iodine absorption cell

# Conclusions

- **First experiments with users currently being planned**
- **Expected to offer full open access later this year**
- Fabrication of modified (“gradient”) coating for better contrast imaging and different spectral ranges
- Student expected to start later this year to optimize analysis code



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**Thank you for your attention**