

**Interfacial microrheology  
of phospholipid monolayers  
at the air/water Interface**

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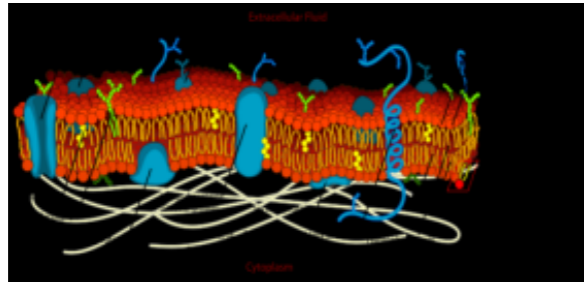
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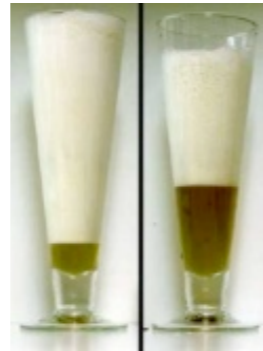


# Motivation

Science  Engineering



Cell membrane



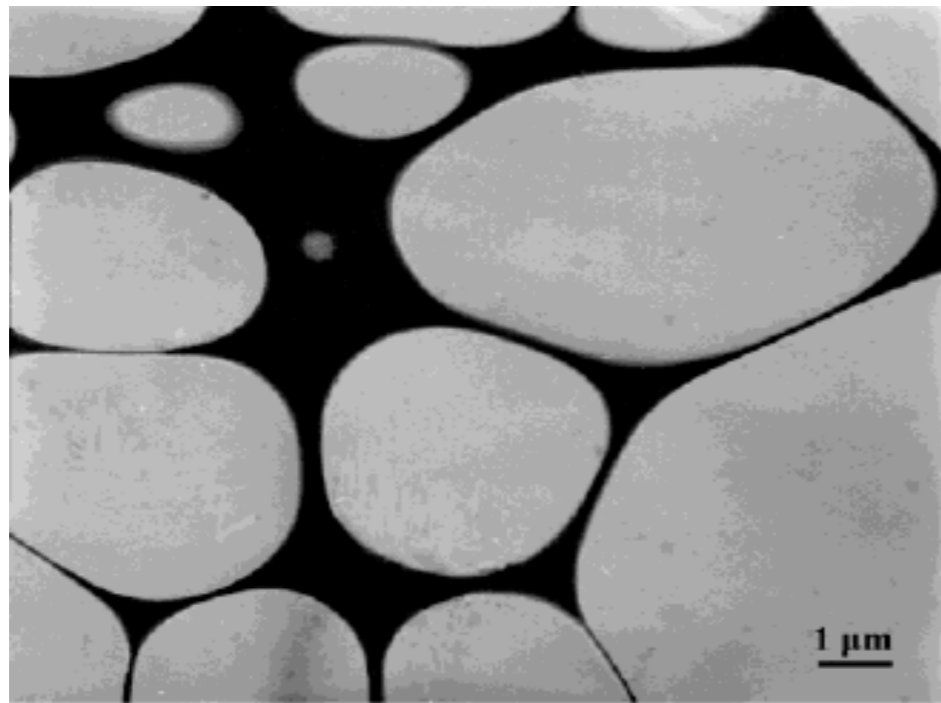
Foams



Shampoo, detergents, etc.



Coating Process



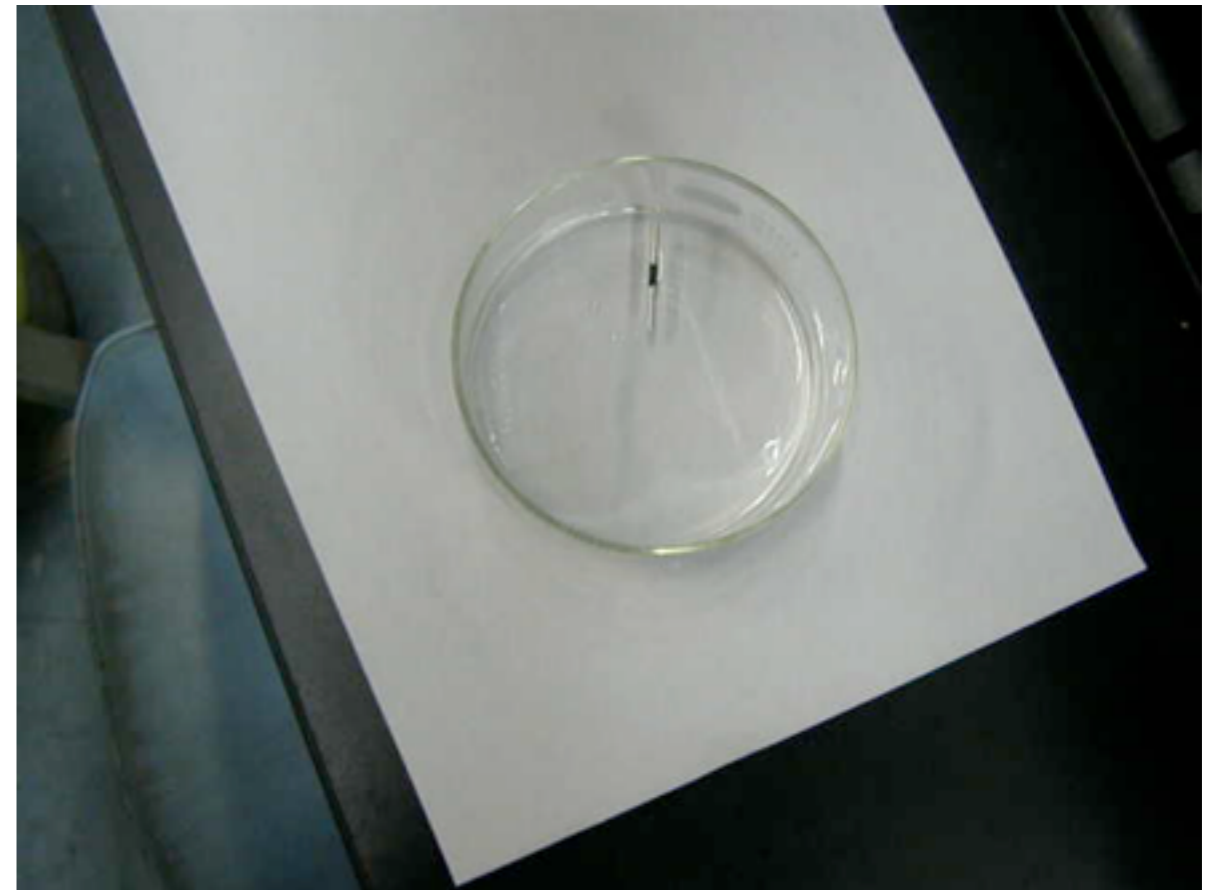
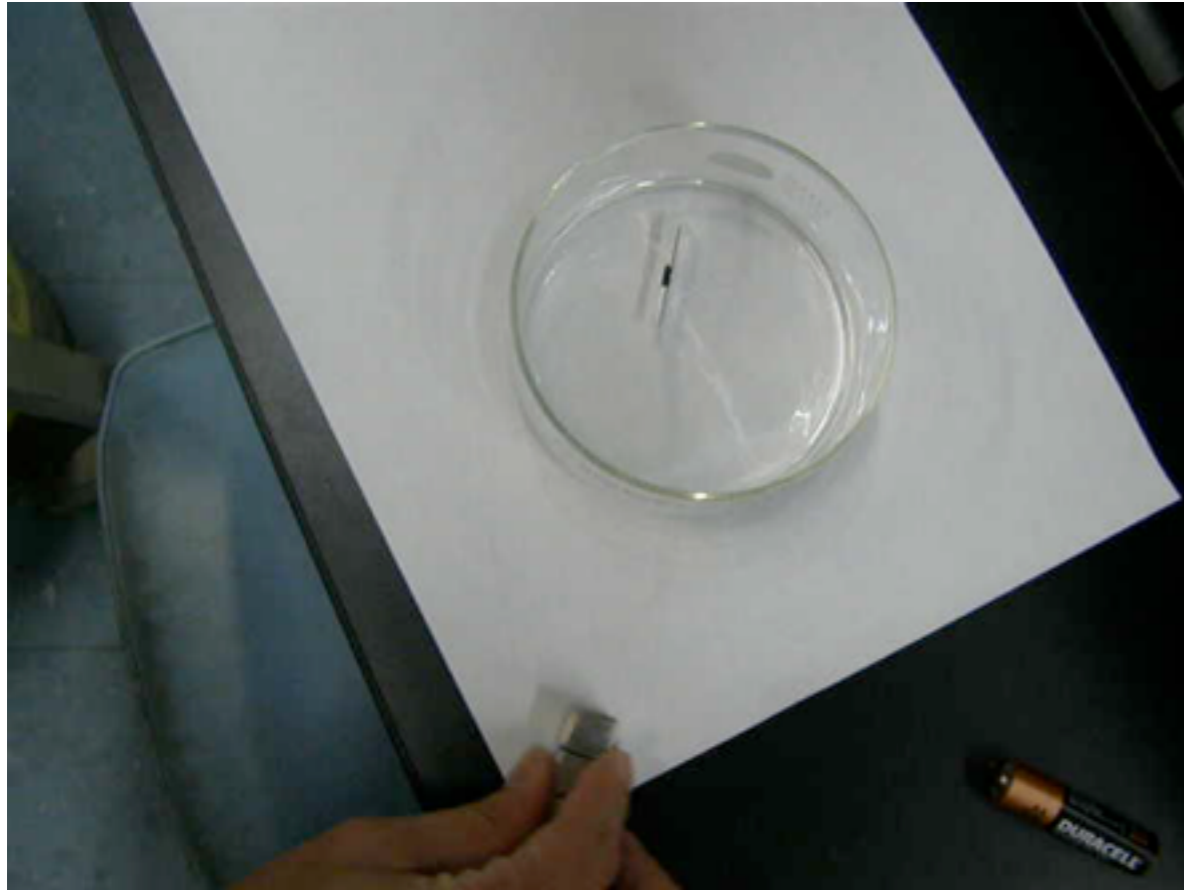
High Internal Phase Emulsion(PS-P2VP)  
Kramer group (2003)



Lung surfactants  
Zasadzinski group (2003)

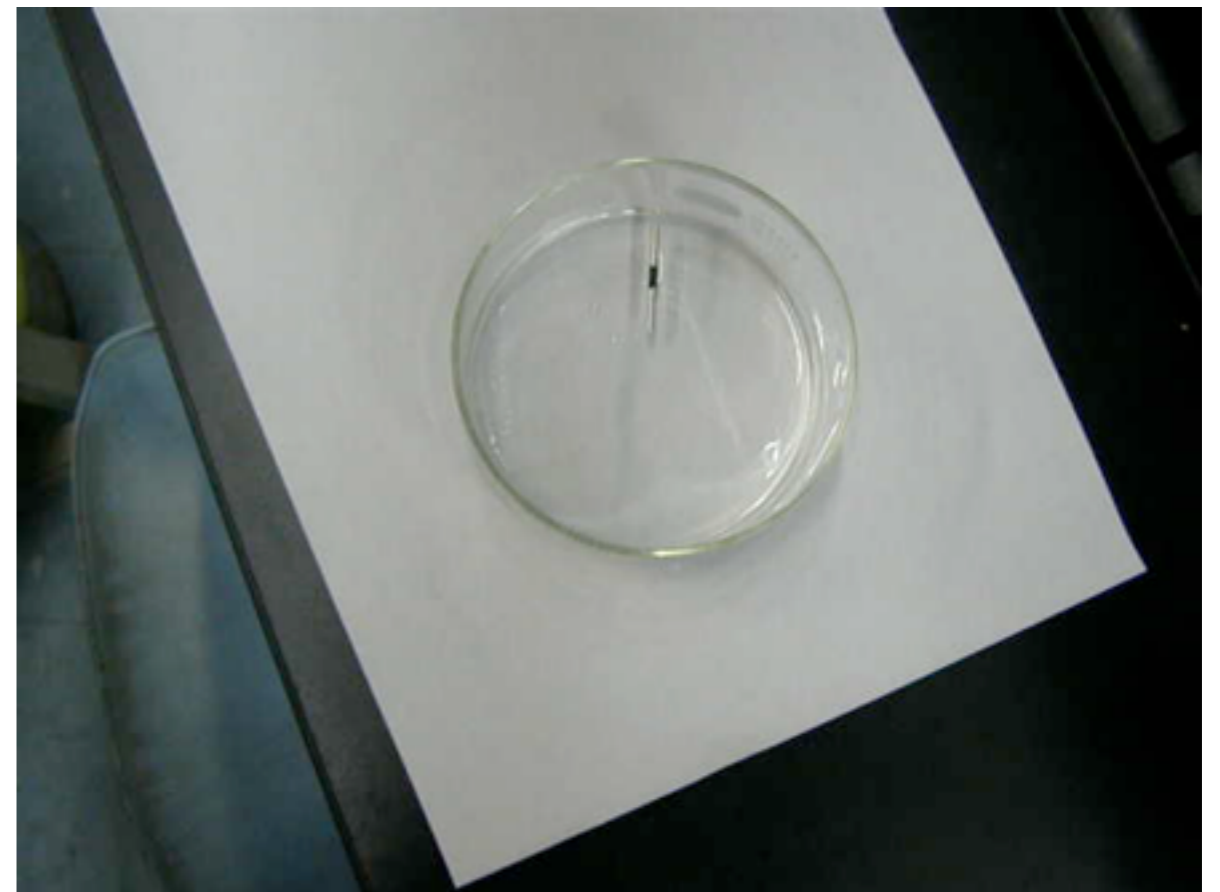
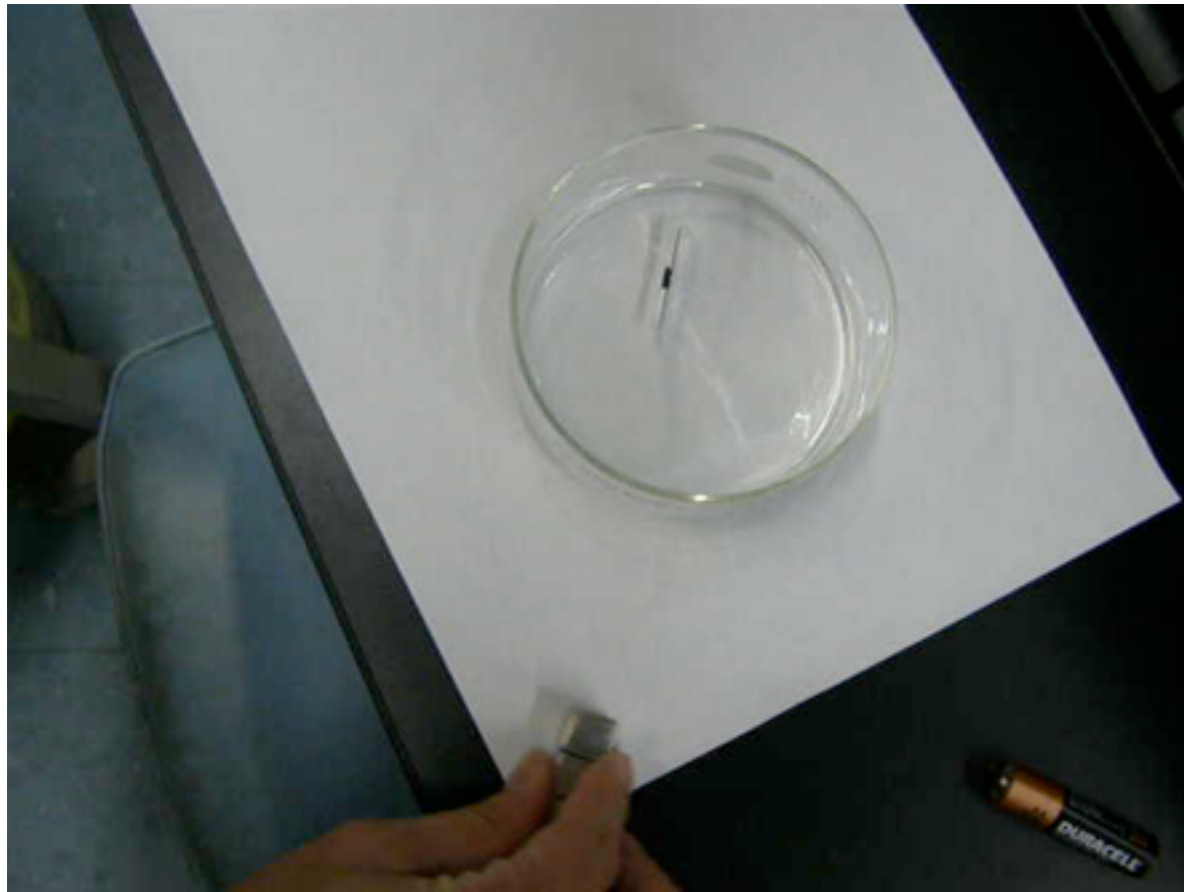
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A magnetic needle at the air/water Interface



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A few drops of water-insoluble surfactants



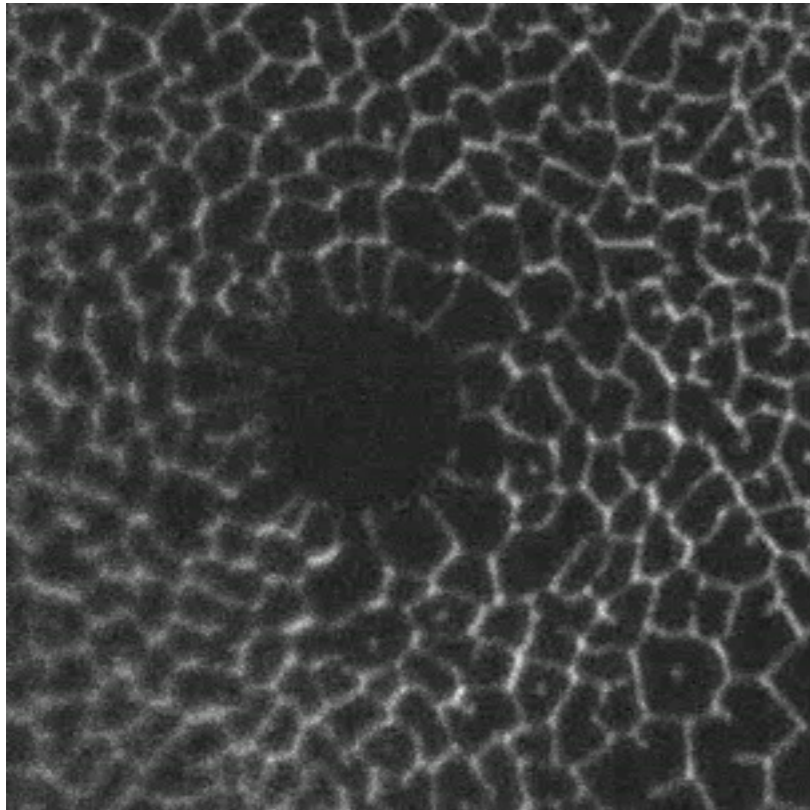
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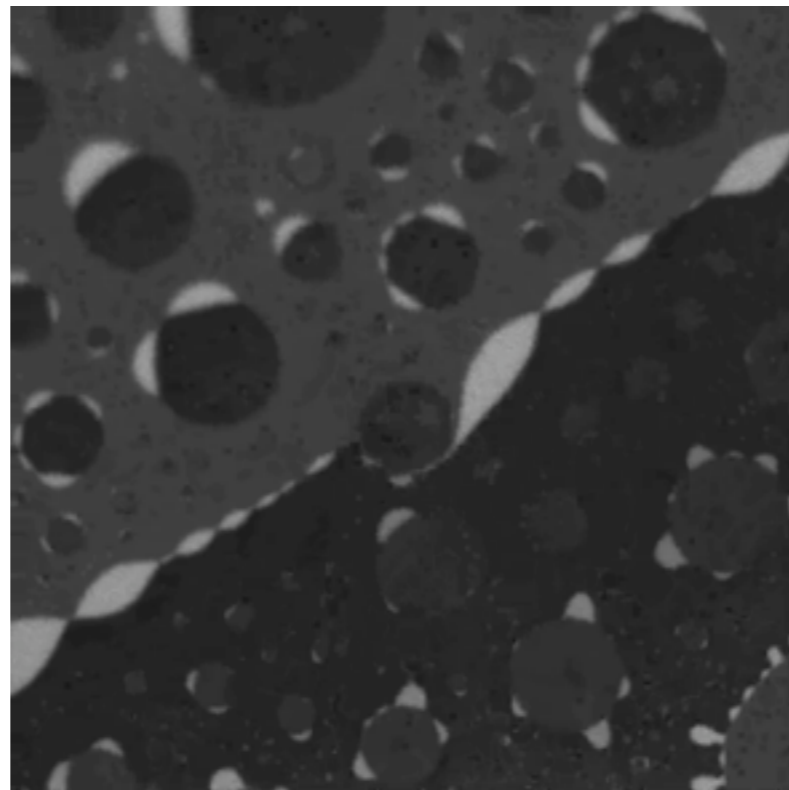
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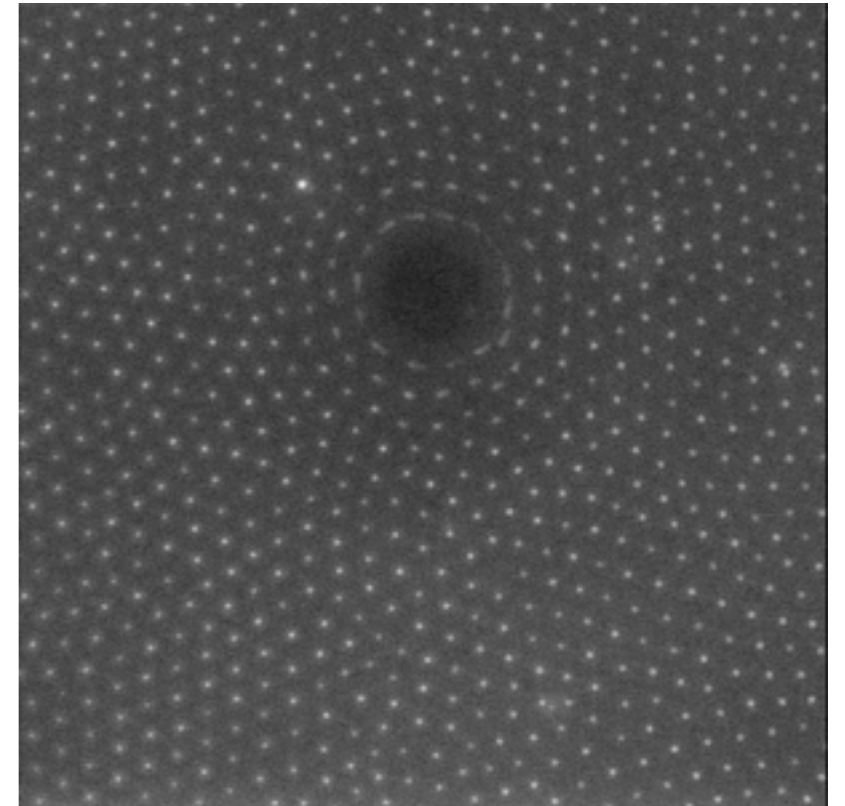
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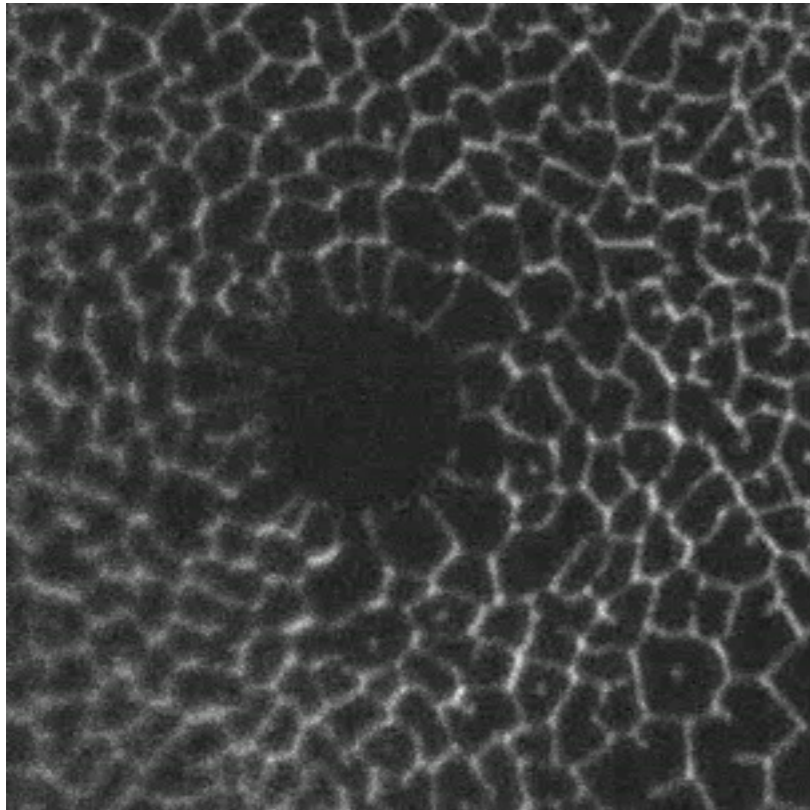
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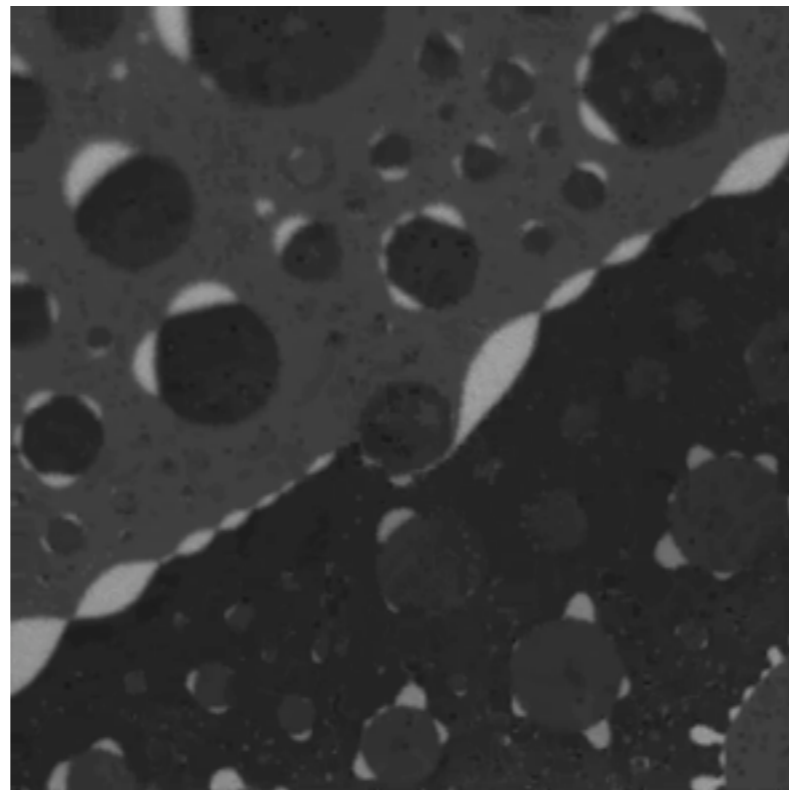
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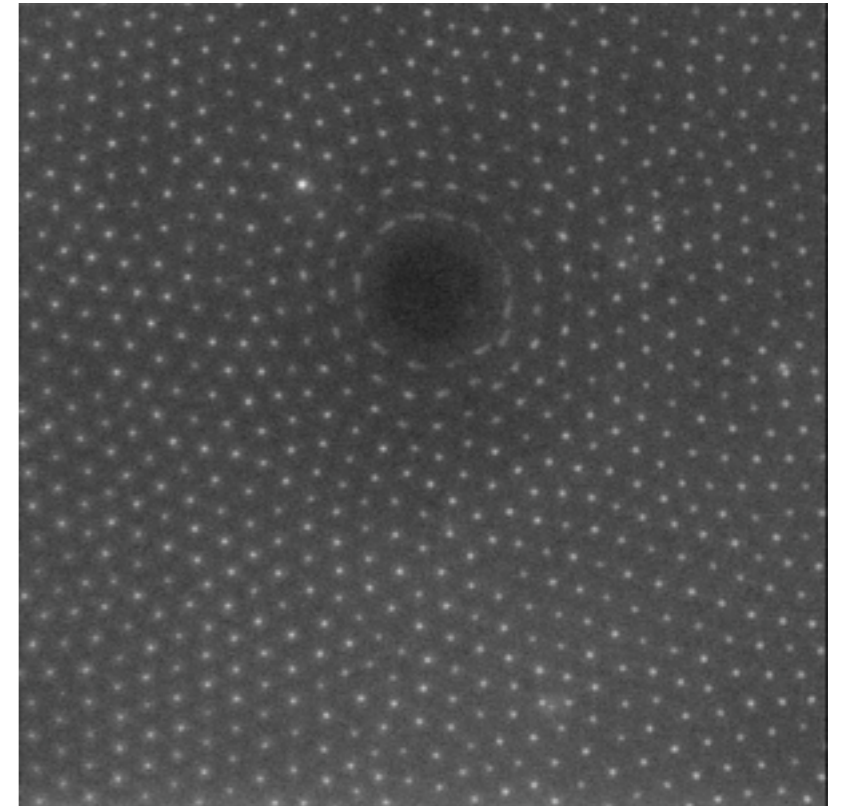
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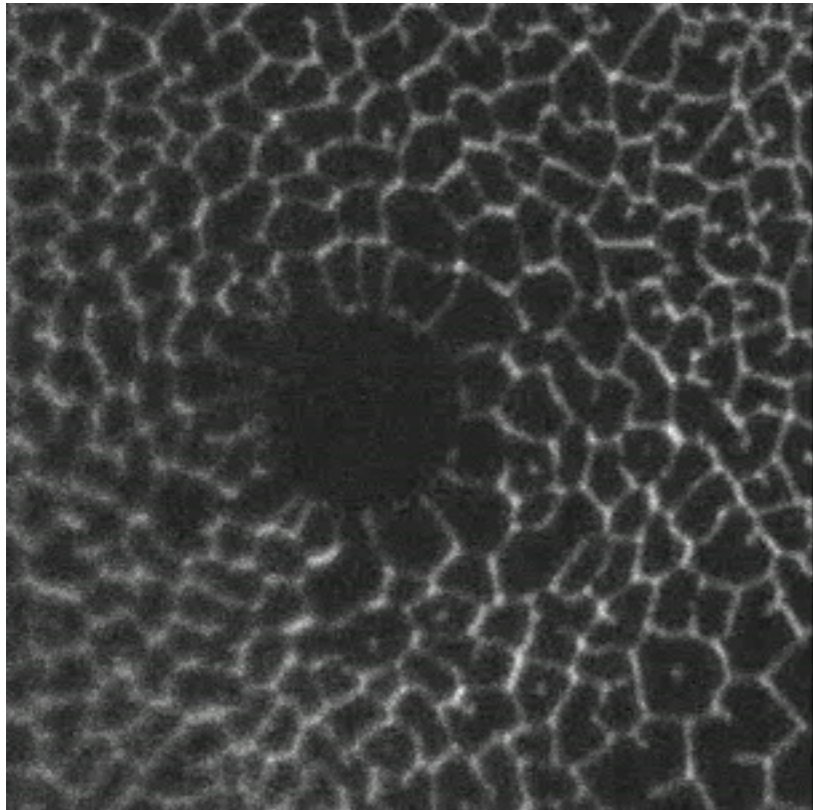


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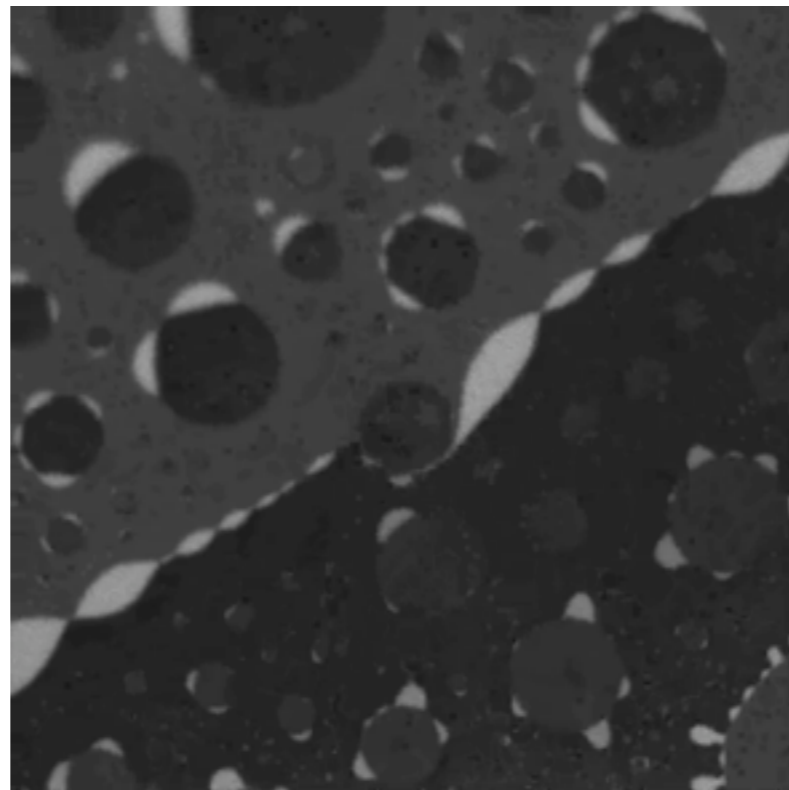


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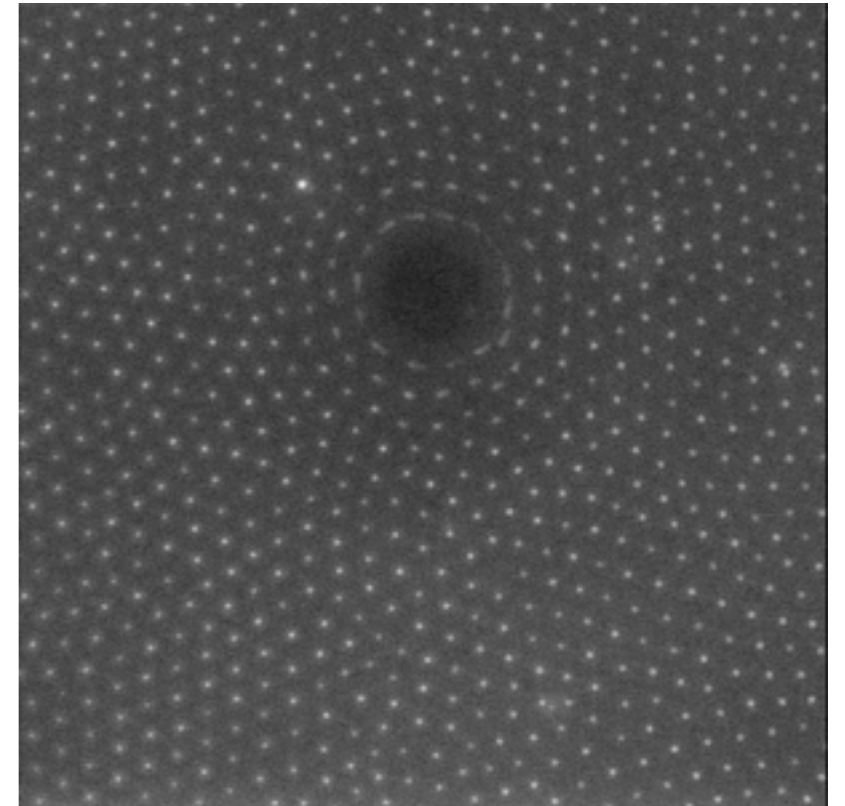
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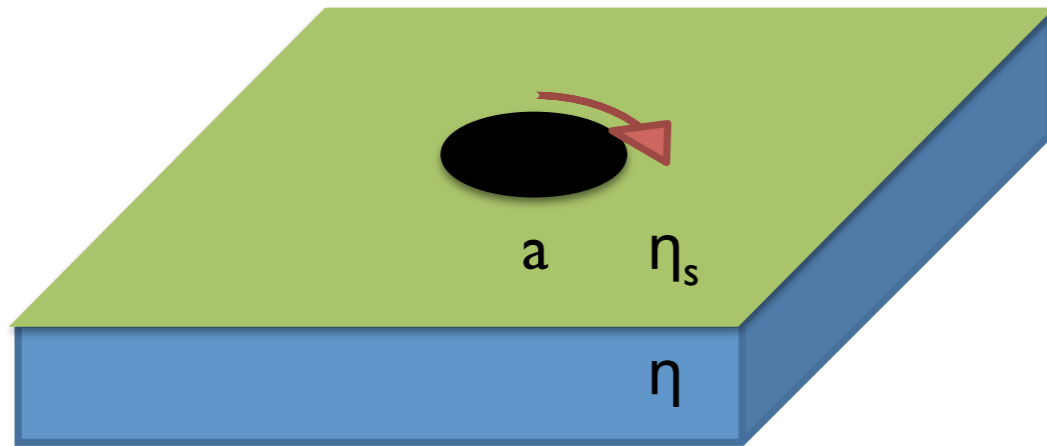
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# Viscometry of 2D interfaces



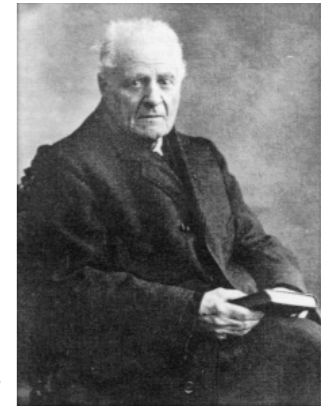
$\eta_s$  : surface viscosity

$\eta$  : subphase viscosity

$a$  : disk radius

$P$  : Contact perimeter to 2D surface

$A$  : Contact Area to bulk phase



$$Bo = \frac{\text{surface drag}}{\text{bulk drag}} = \frac{\eta_s \nabla u P}{\eta \nabla u A} \approx \frac{\eta_s}{\eta a}$$

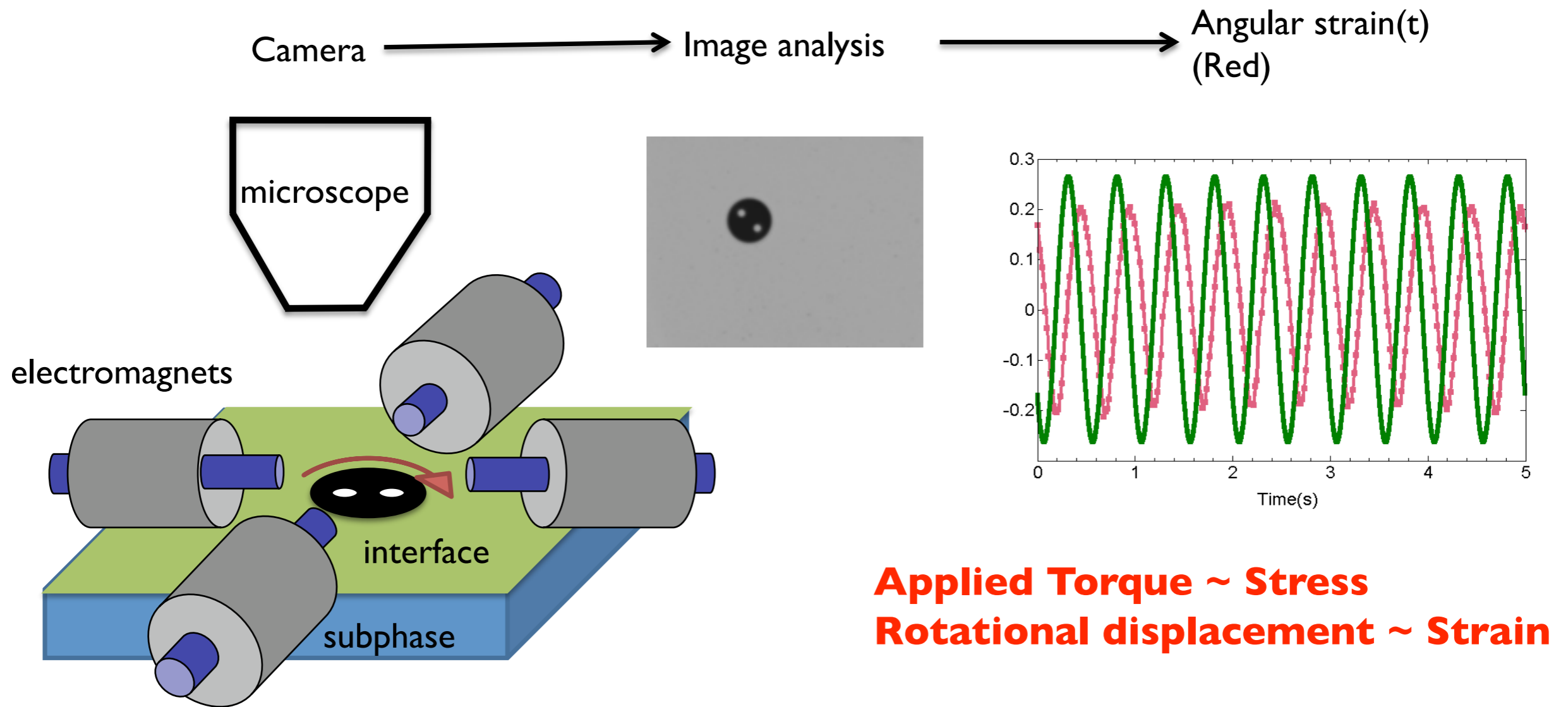
“Boussinesq  
Number”

## High perimeter/area ratio: higher sensitivity

High aspect ratio (e.g. needles - Brooks, Fuller, Vermant, Fischer, Zasadzinski, ...)

Small probes (microrheology - Weeks, Sickert & Rondelez, Fischer, Dai, ...)

# General Experimental Procedure

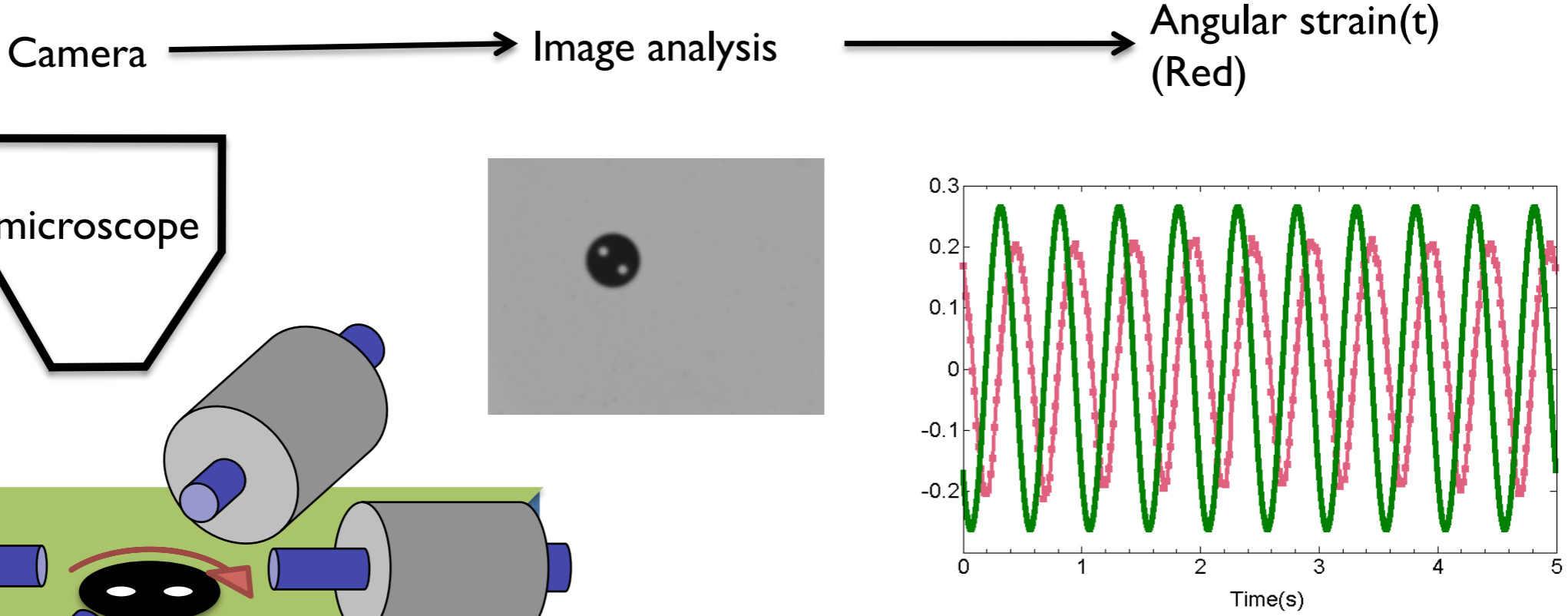
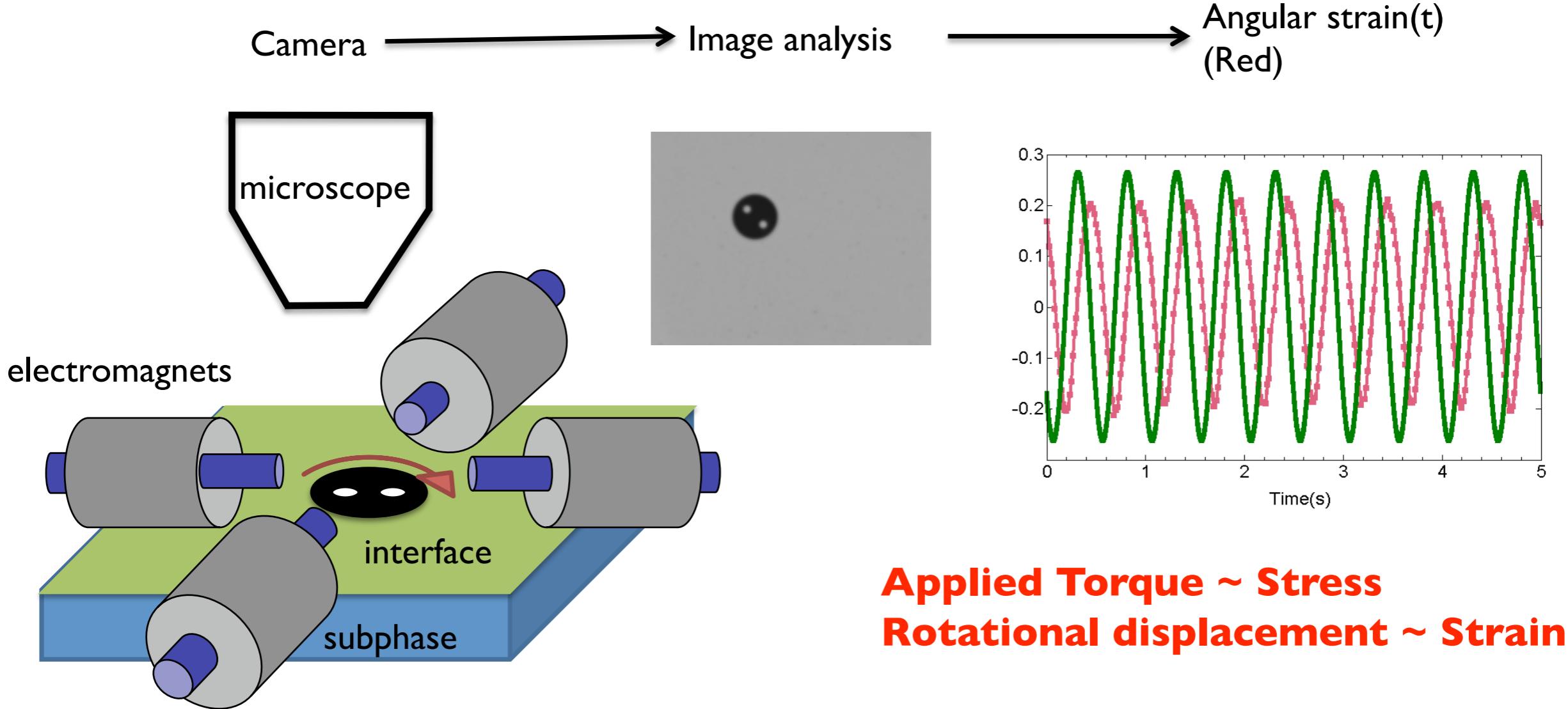


Imposed oscillatory magnetic field

Can compute viscoelasticity( $G'$ ,  $G''$ )



# General Experimental Procedure



**Applied Torque ~ Stress**  
**Rotational displacement ~ Strain**

DATA acquisition board → Magnetic torque(t) (Green)

Imposed constant stress

Can measure Creep compliance-- $J(t)$

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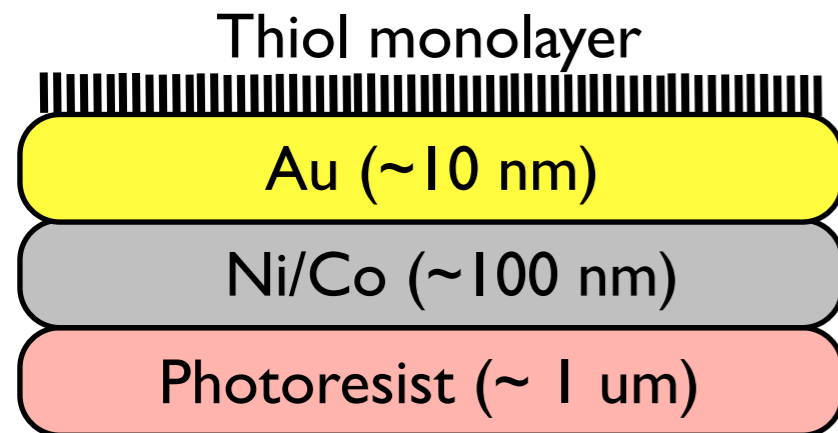
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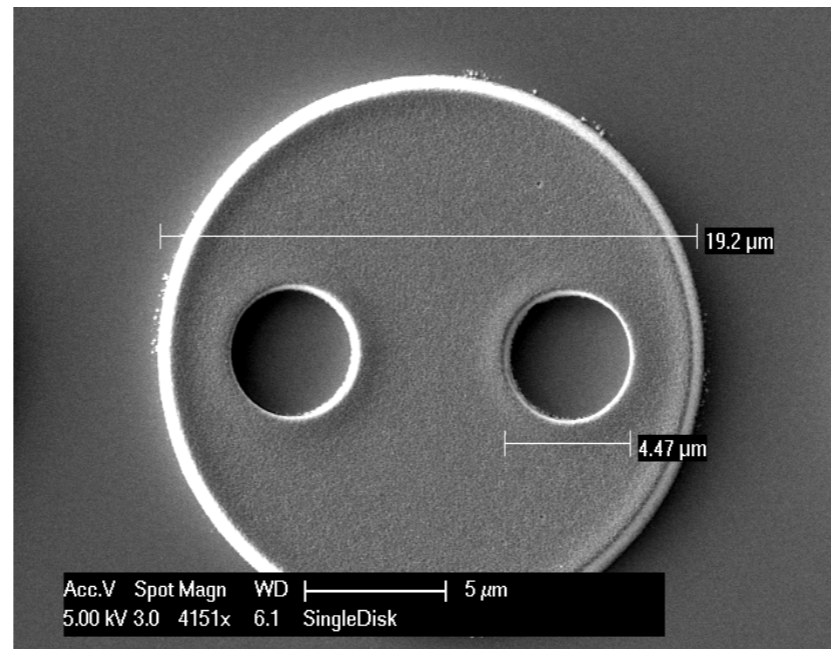
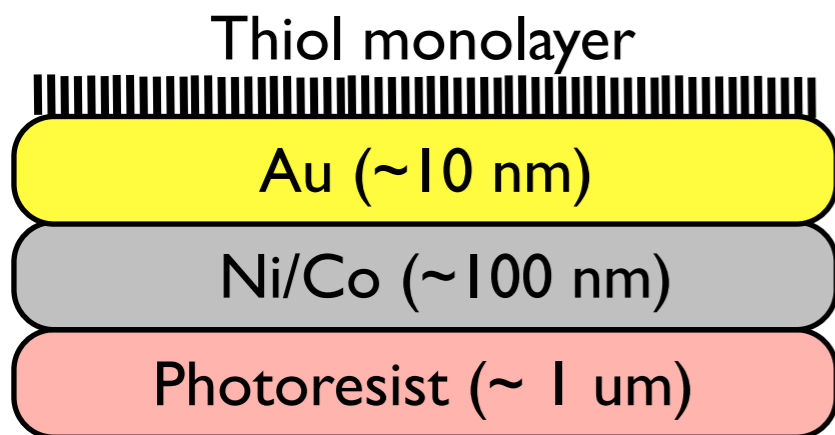


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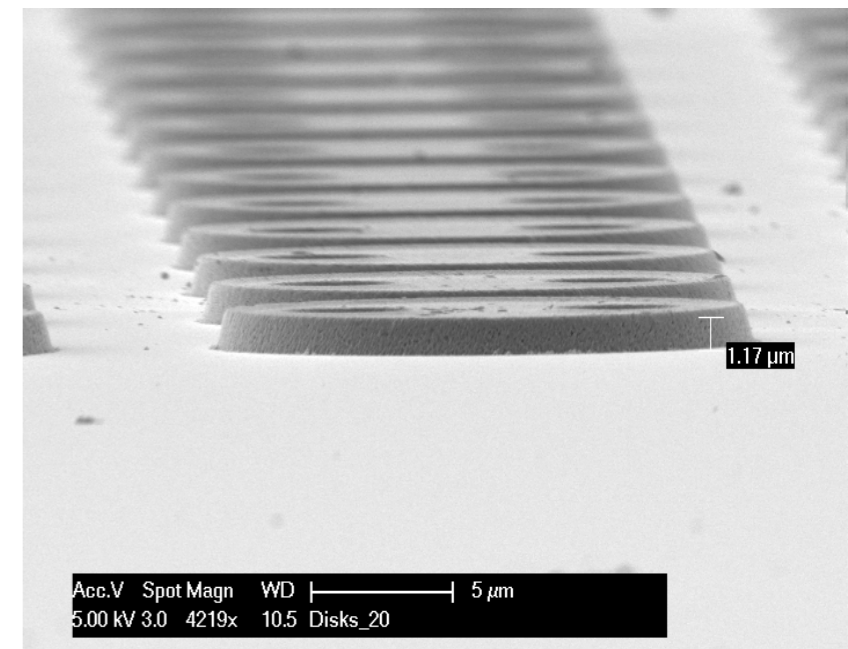
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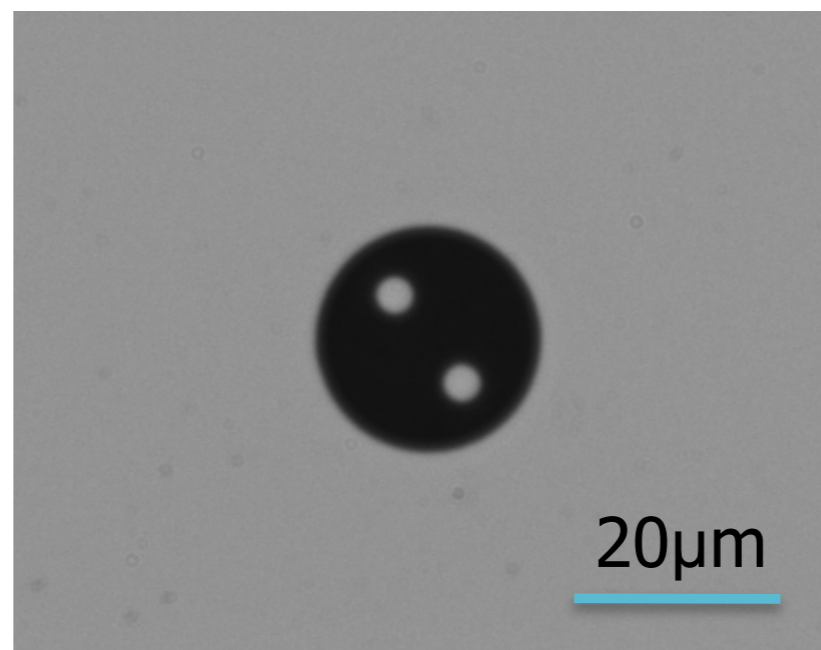
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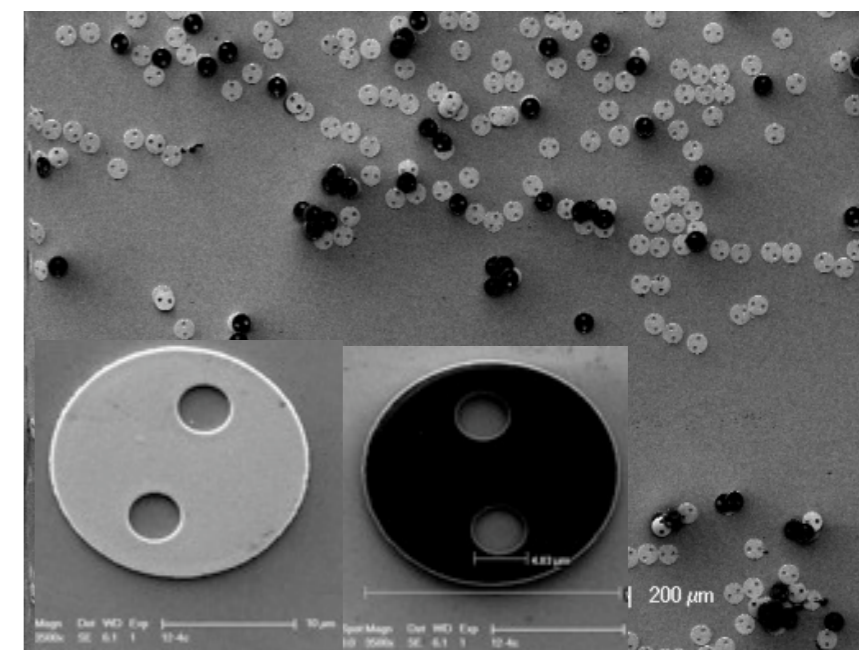
20  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter



1  $\mu\text{m}$  tall



bright field image



Amphiphilic - Janus

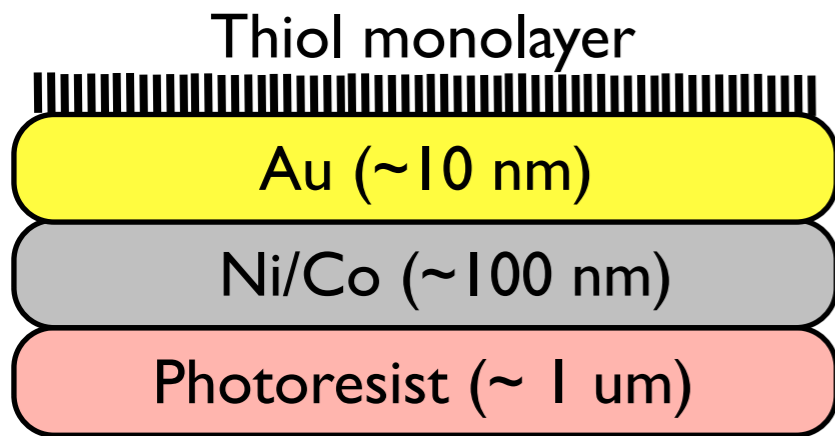


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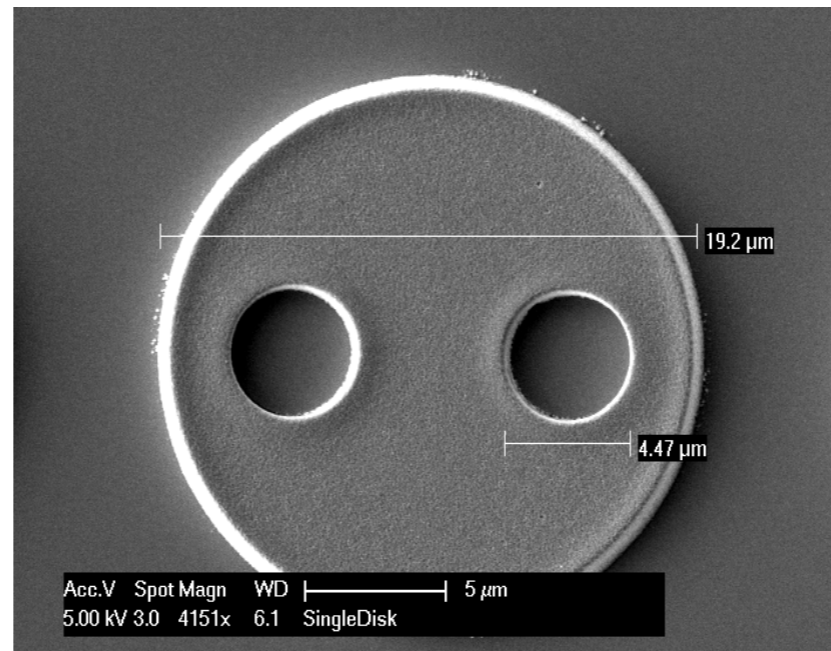
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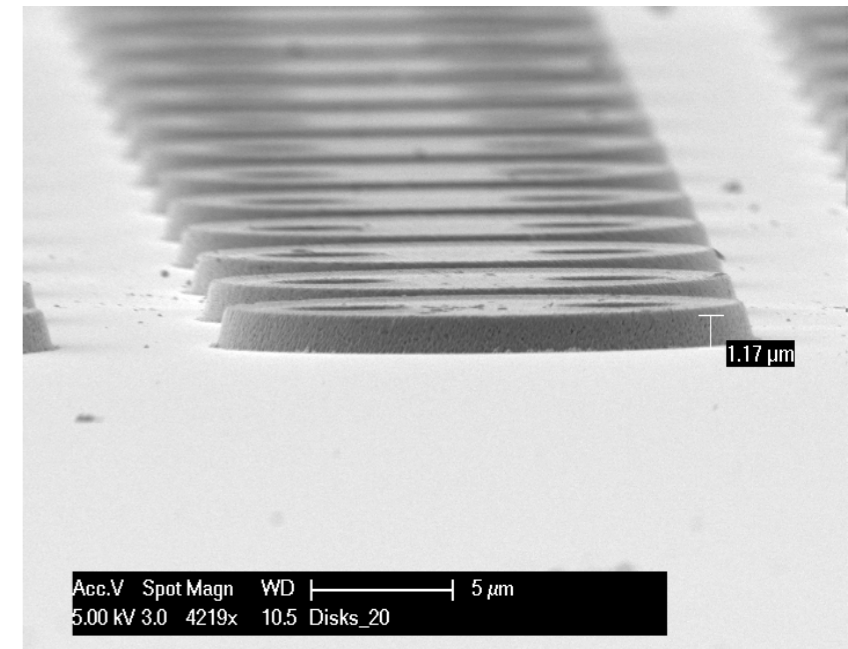
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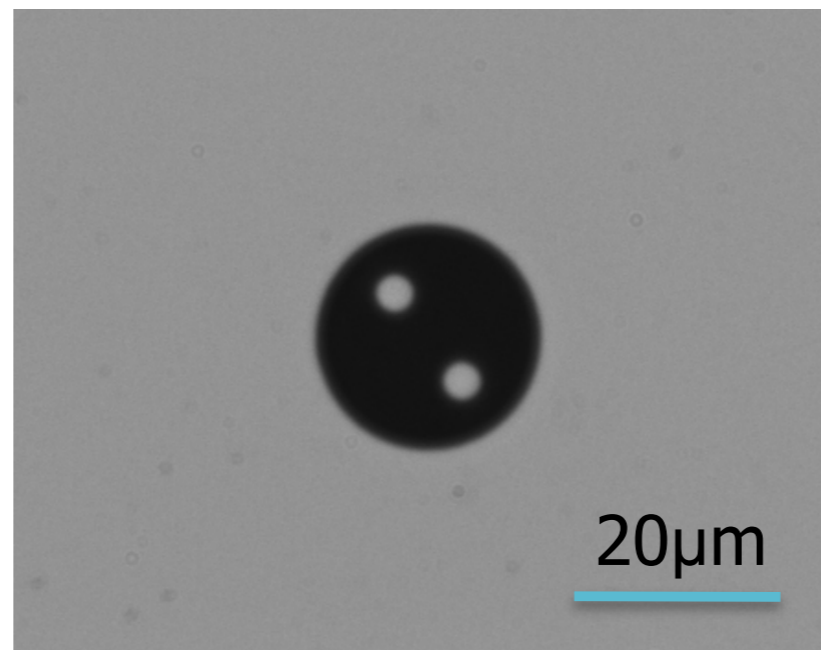
**Control over**  
Size, Shape,  
Magnetic and Surface  
properties



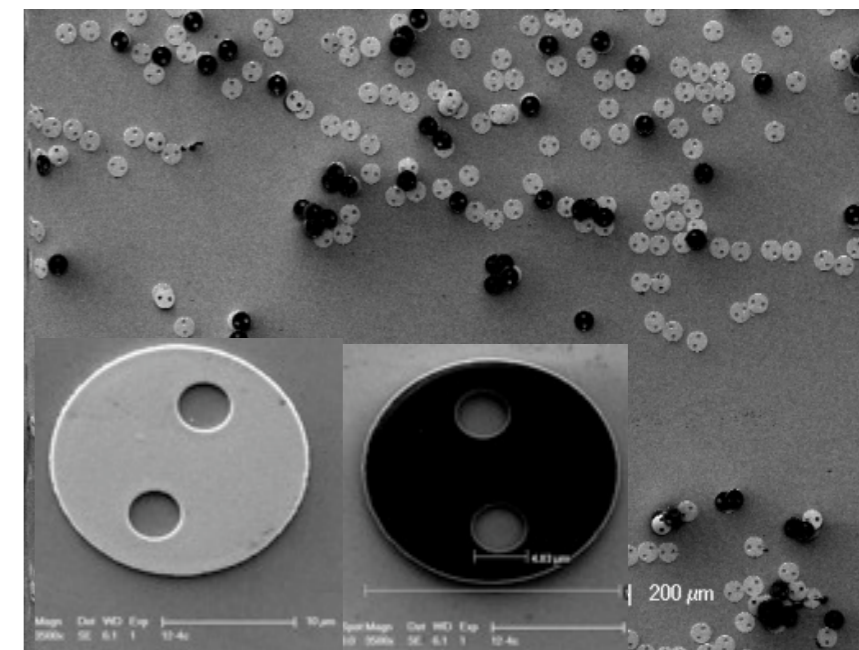
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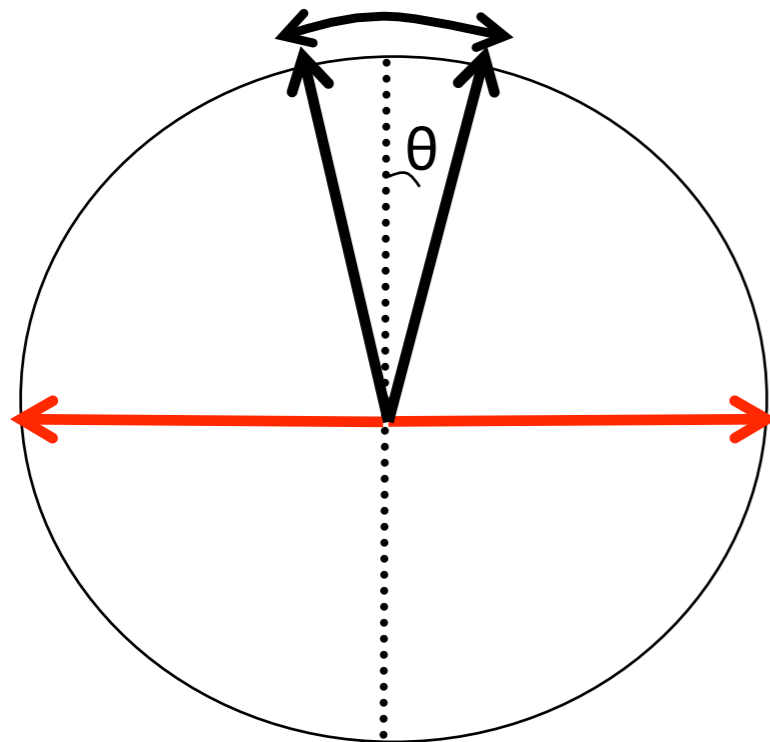
# How the disk responds

$$I\ddot{\theta} + \zeta\dot{\theta} + k\theta = m \times B$$

$\omega < 10^6$       Rotational drag      Rotational elastic constant      Torque

$$= mB \sin(\phi - \theta)$$

$$\approx mB$$

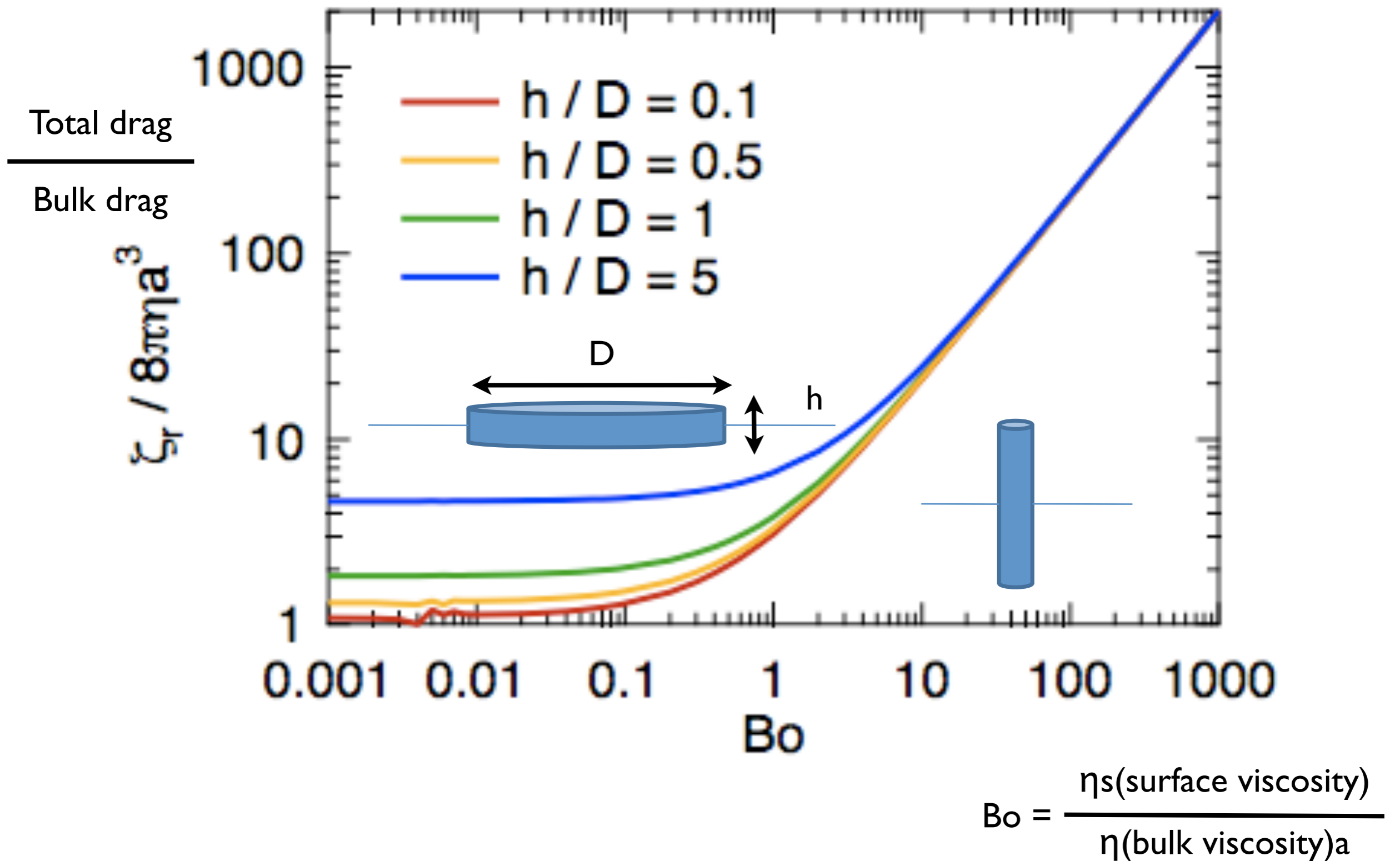


- Oscillatory Magnetic Field
- Angular displacement

- $m$  : magnetic moment
- $B$  : magnetic field
- $\phi$  : angle for magnetic field
- $\theta$  : angle for magnetic moment
- $\zeta$  : drag coefficient
- $k$  : spring constant

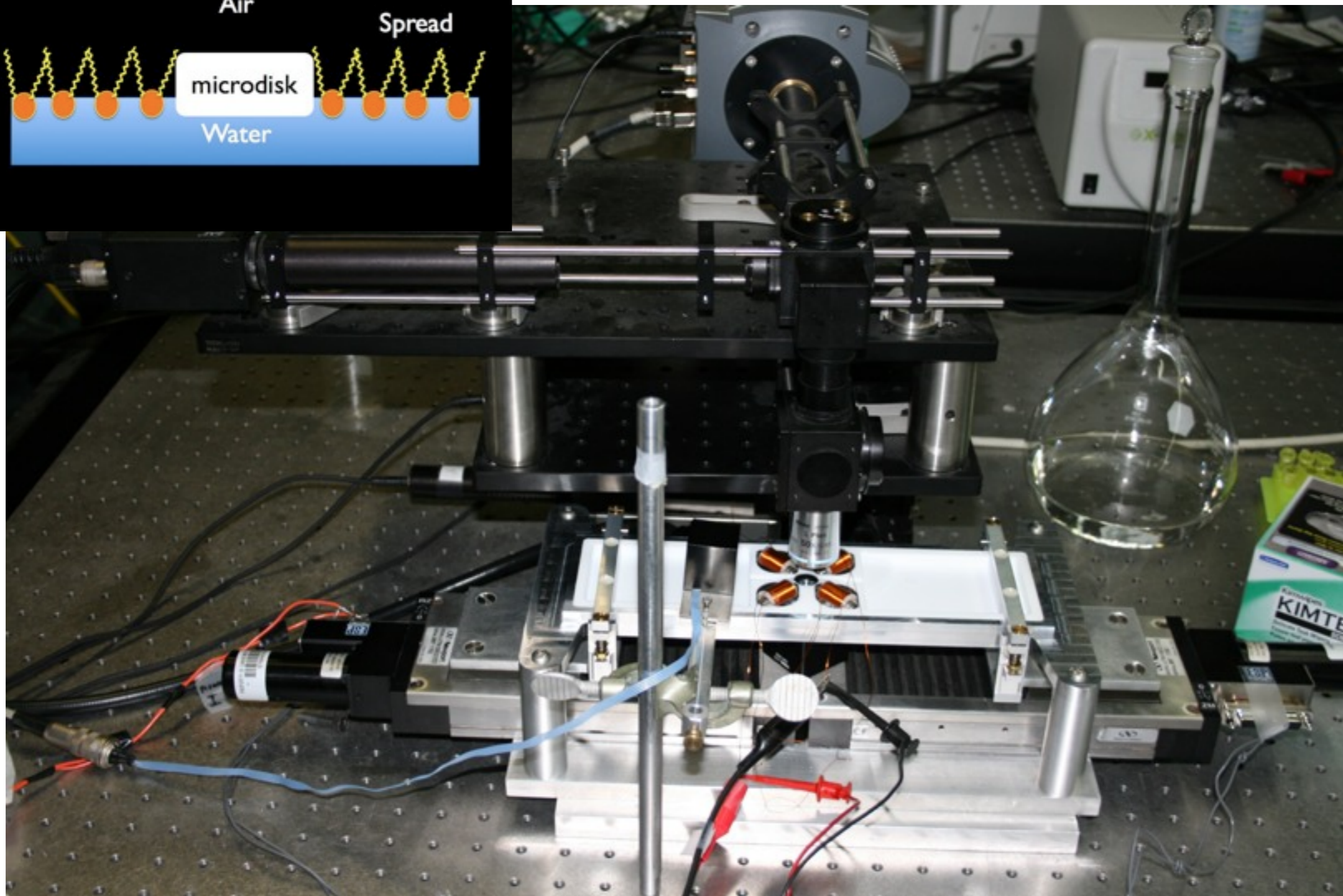
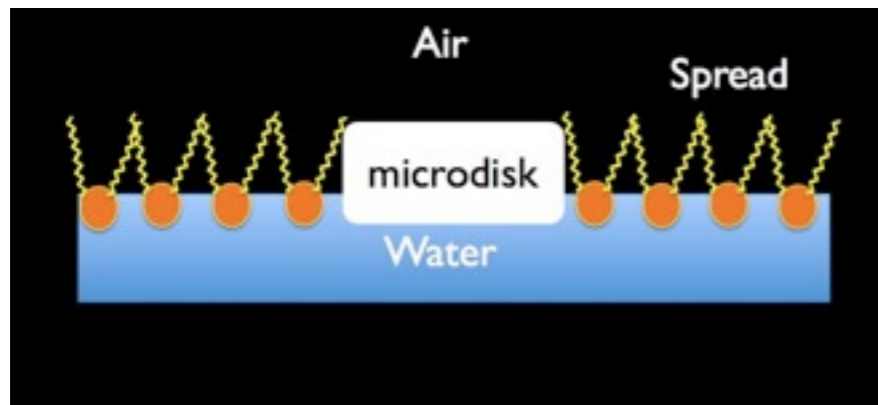
**From field vs. orientation:  
 recover  $\zeta$  (~viscosity) and  $k$  (~elasticity)**

# Surface drag of the probe



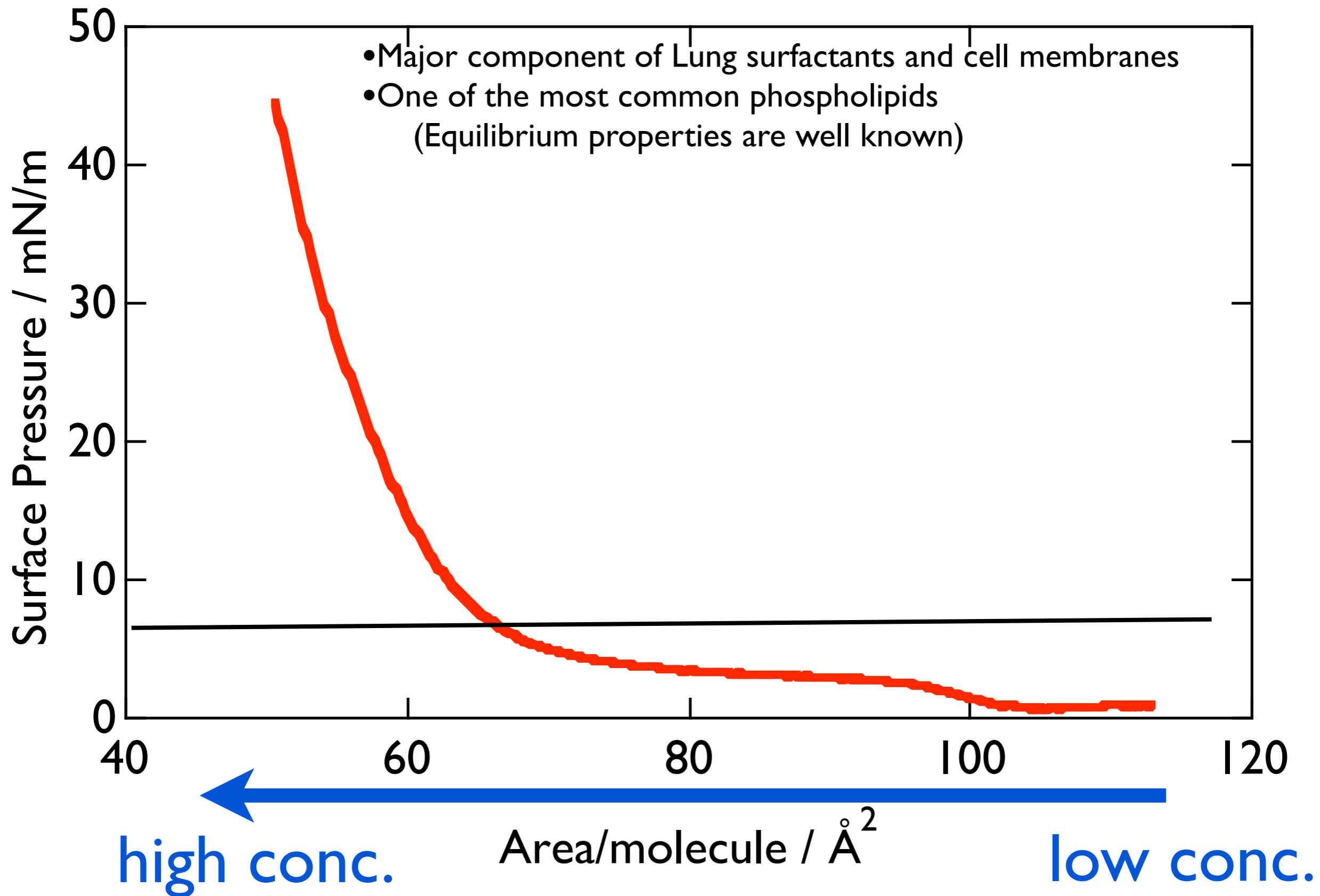
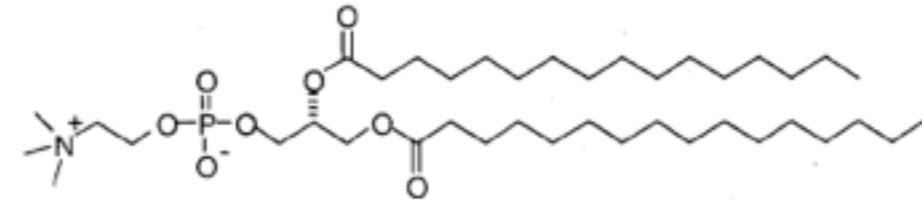


# Apparatus

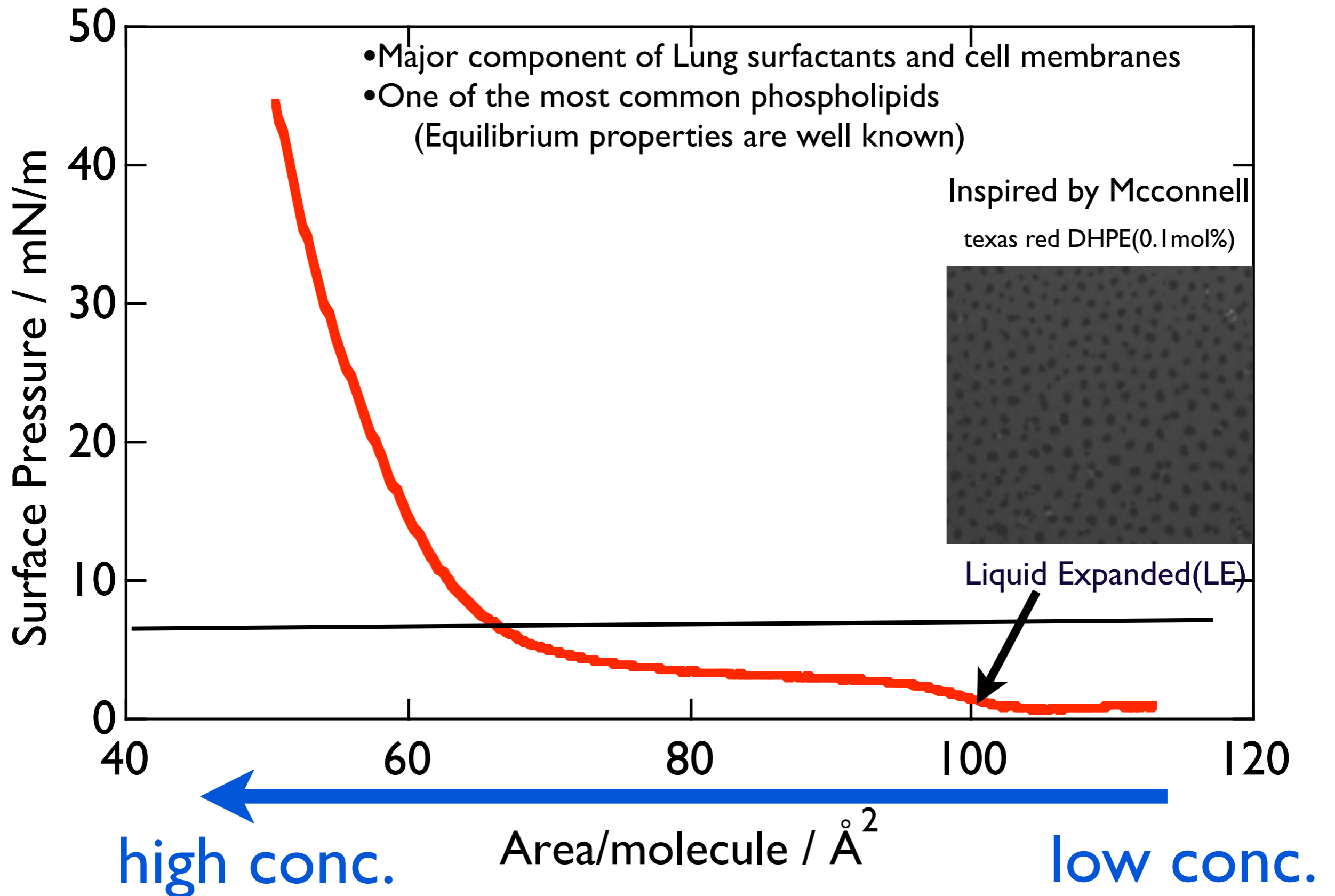
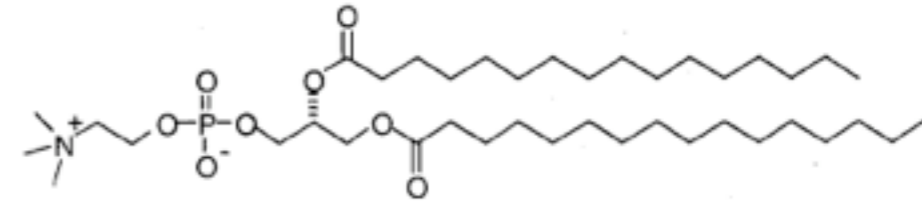


Allows interfacial visualization *during* measurement

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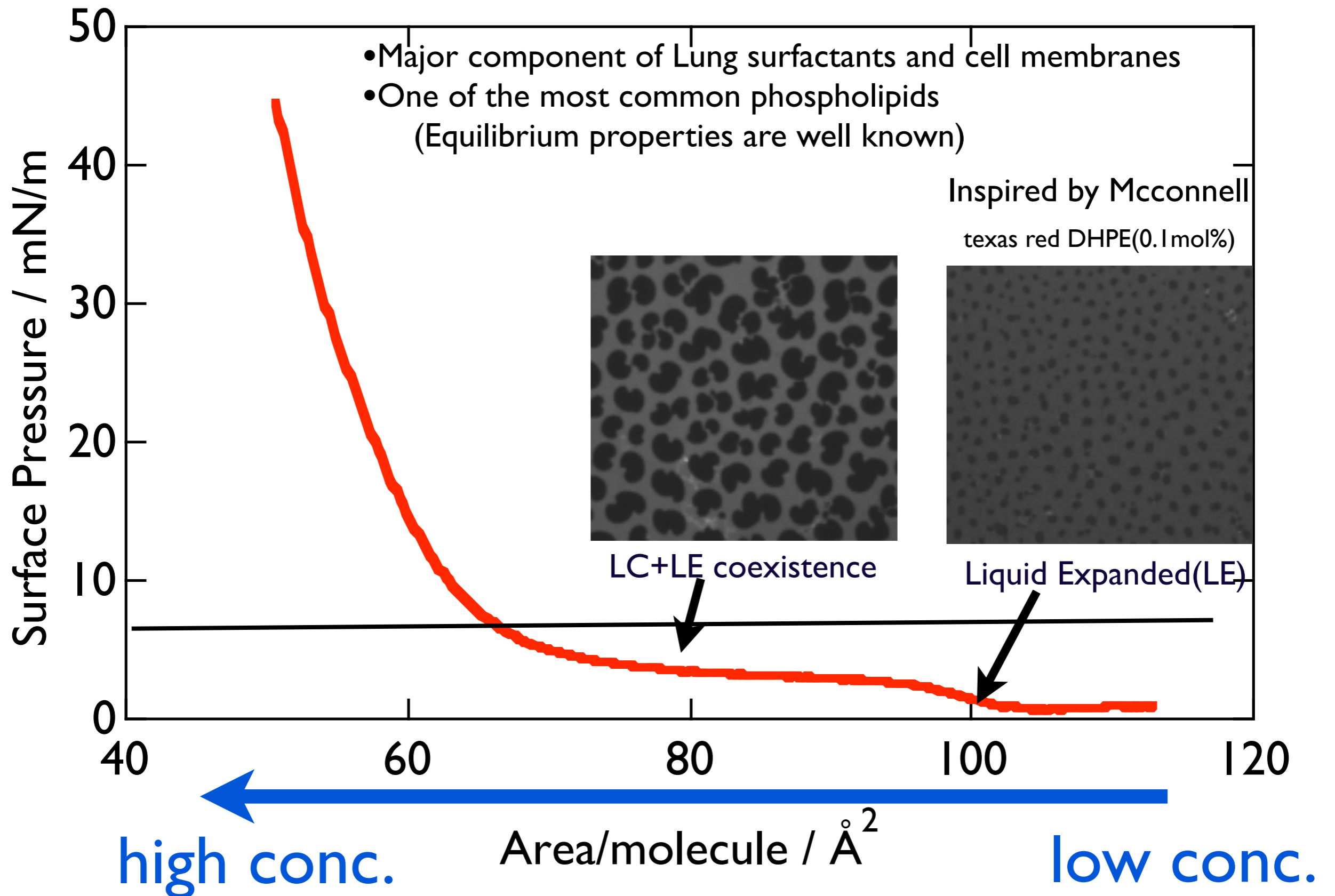
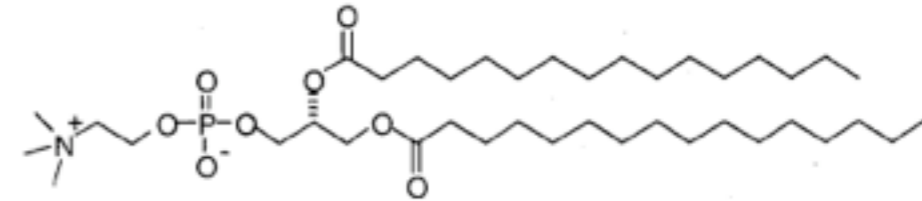


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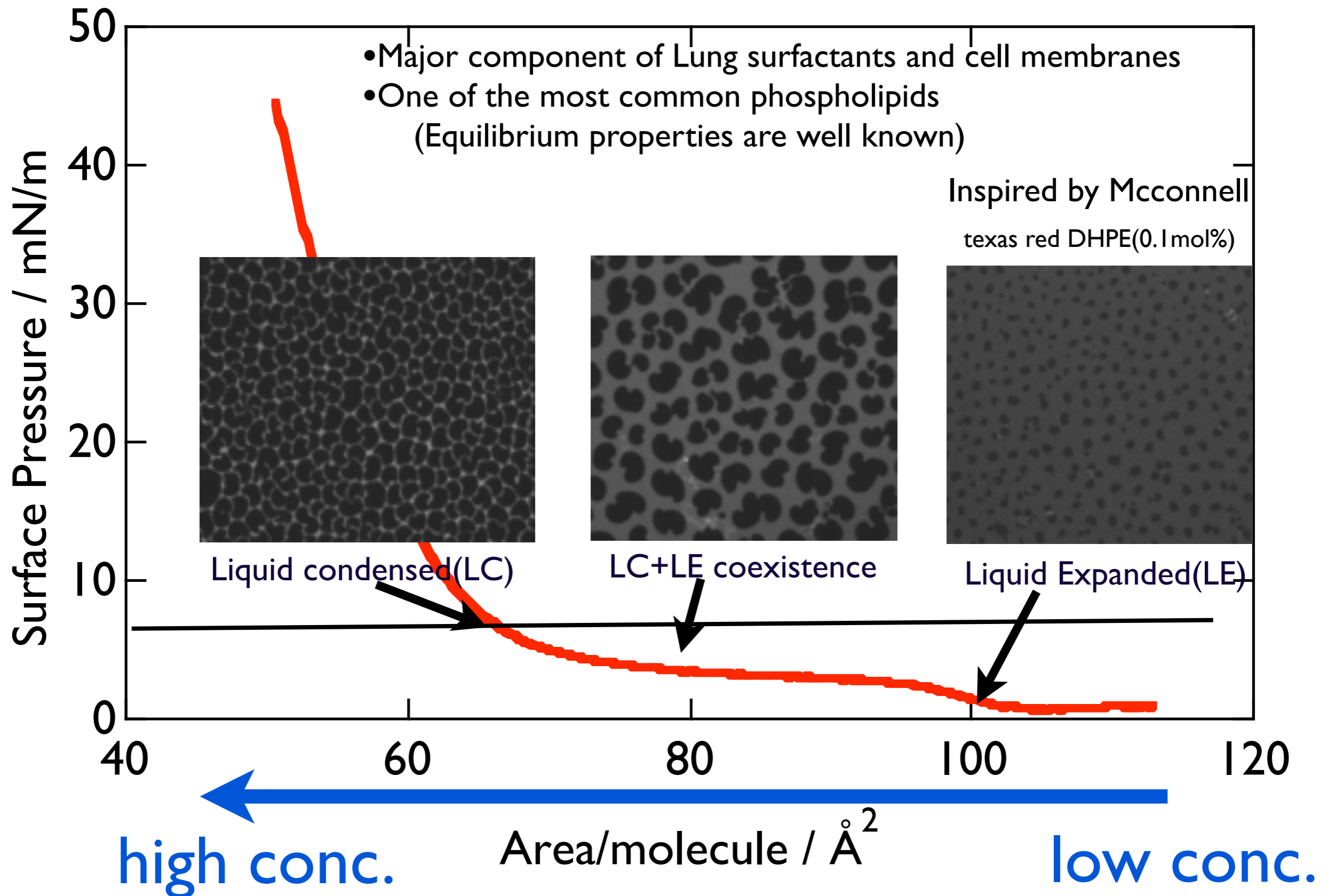
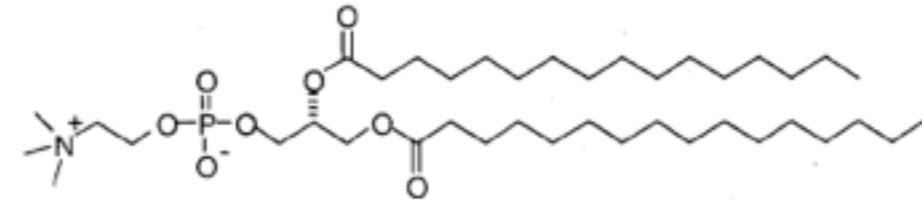




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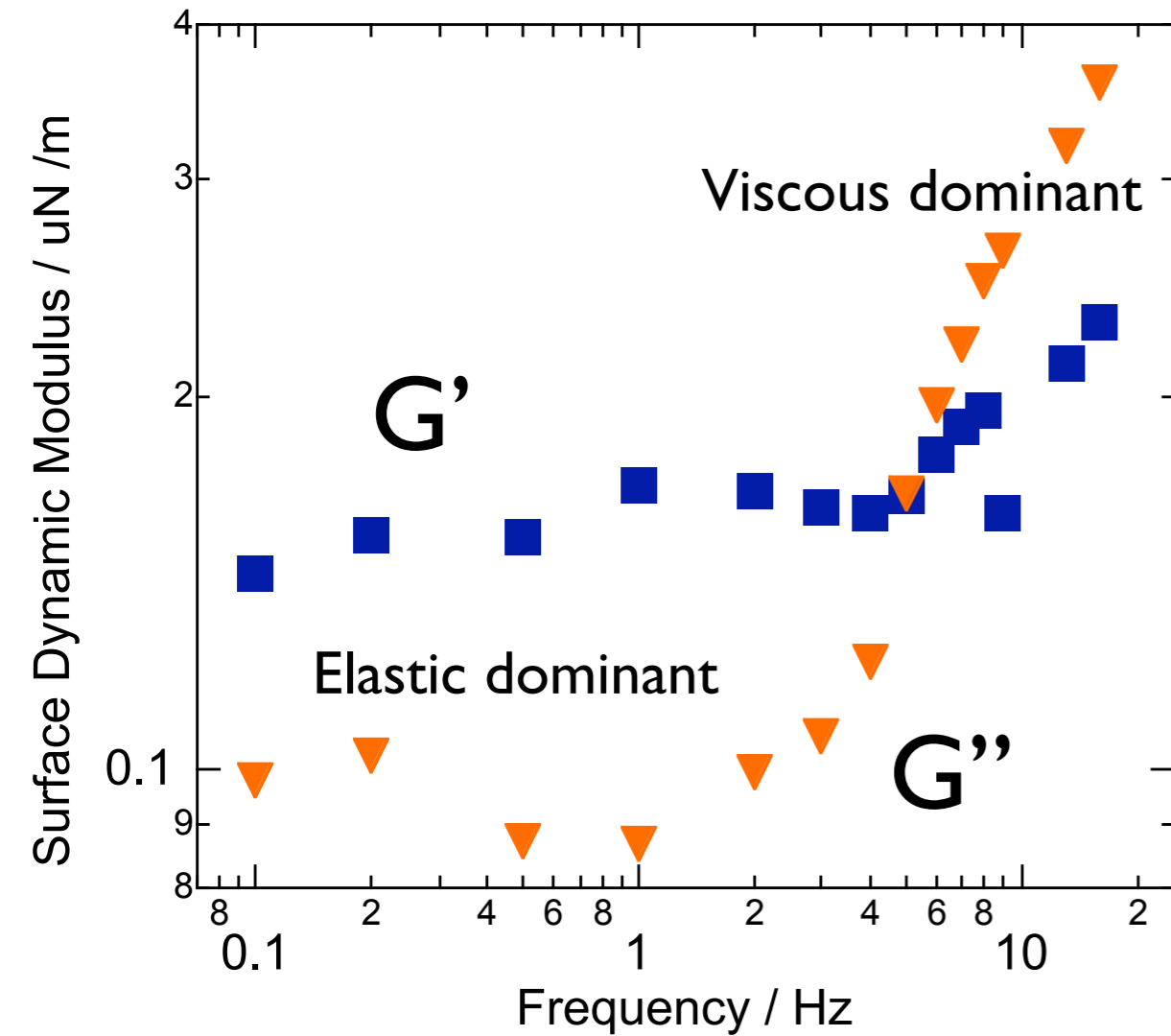


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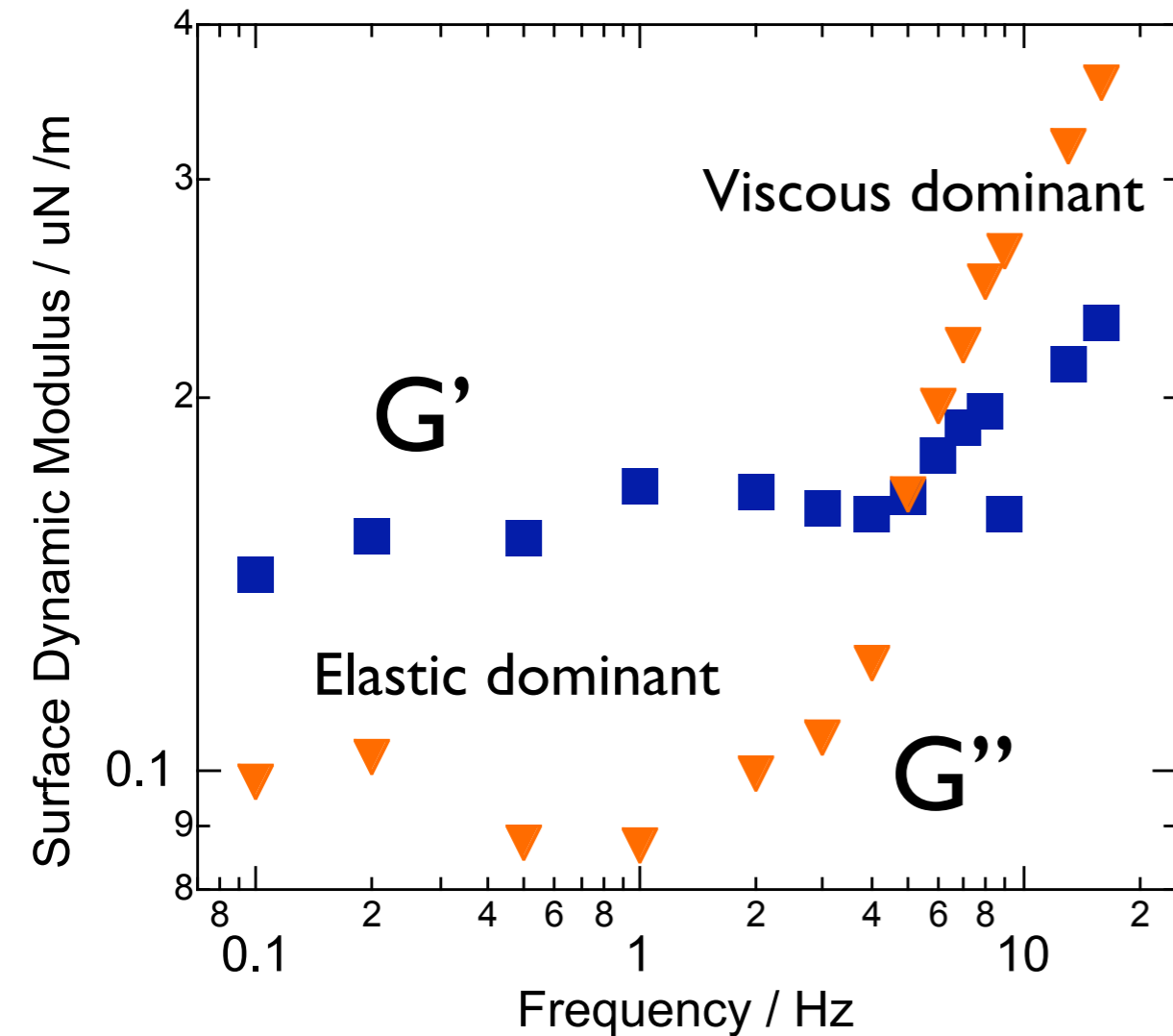


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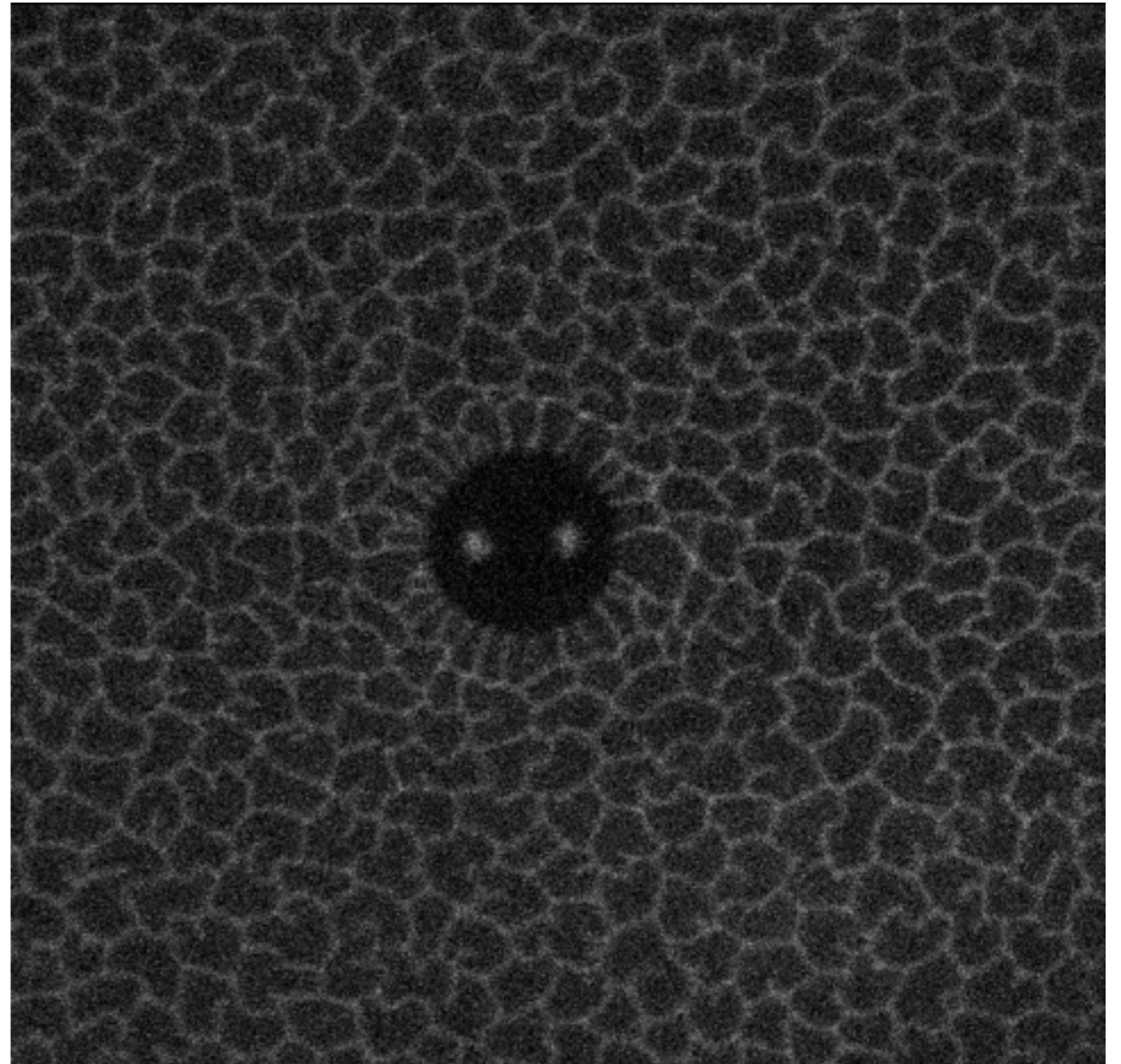
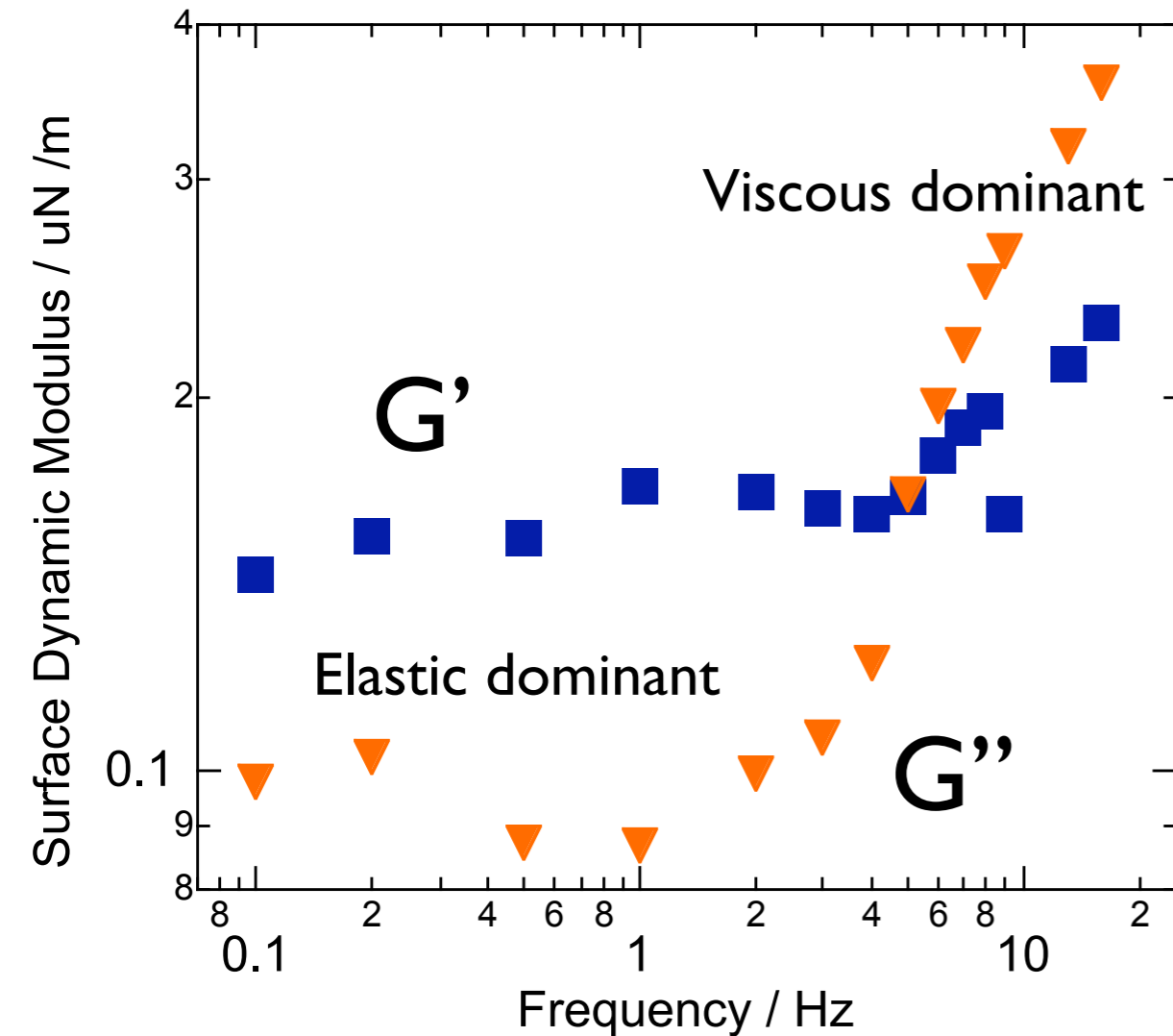


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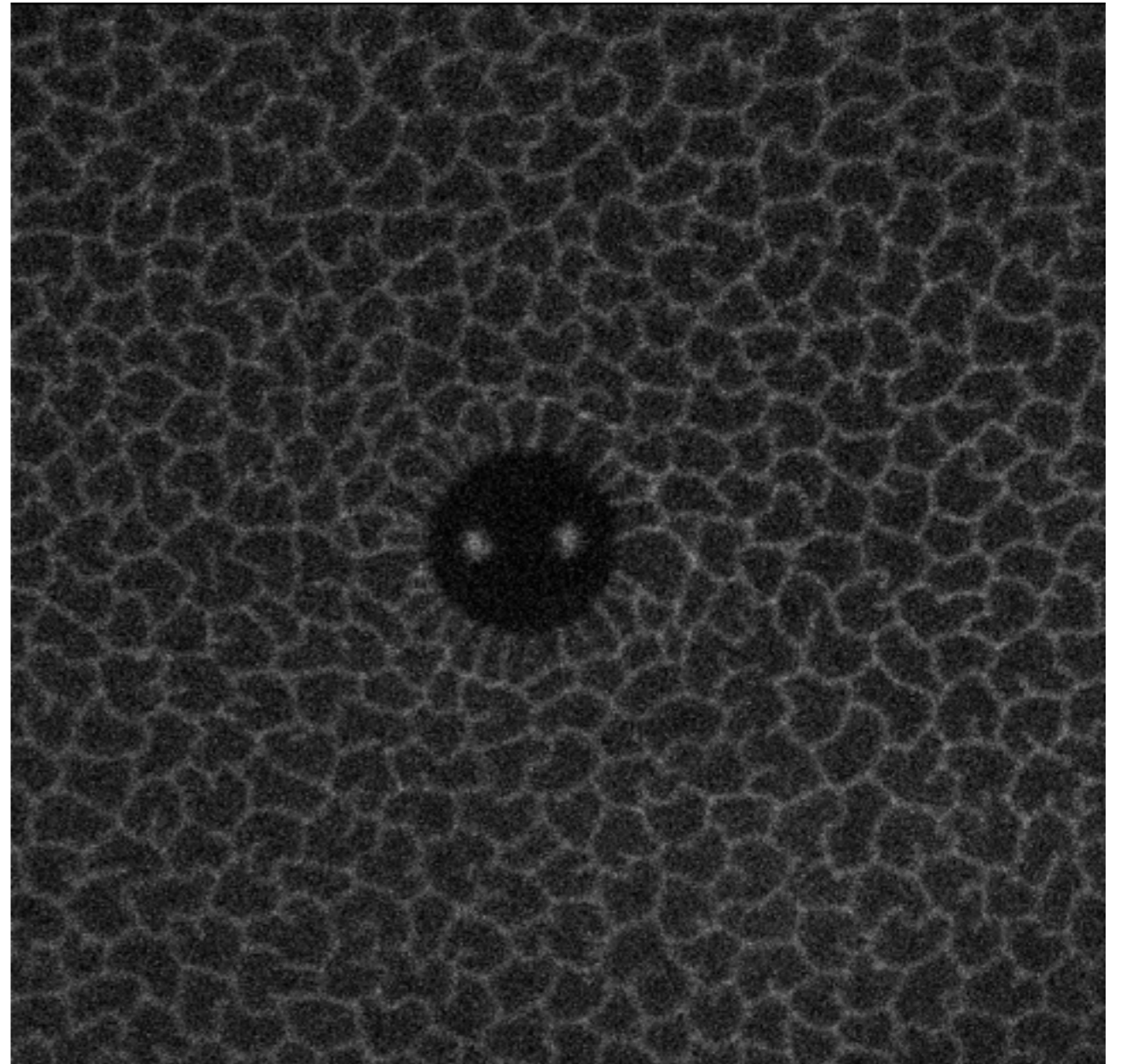
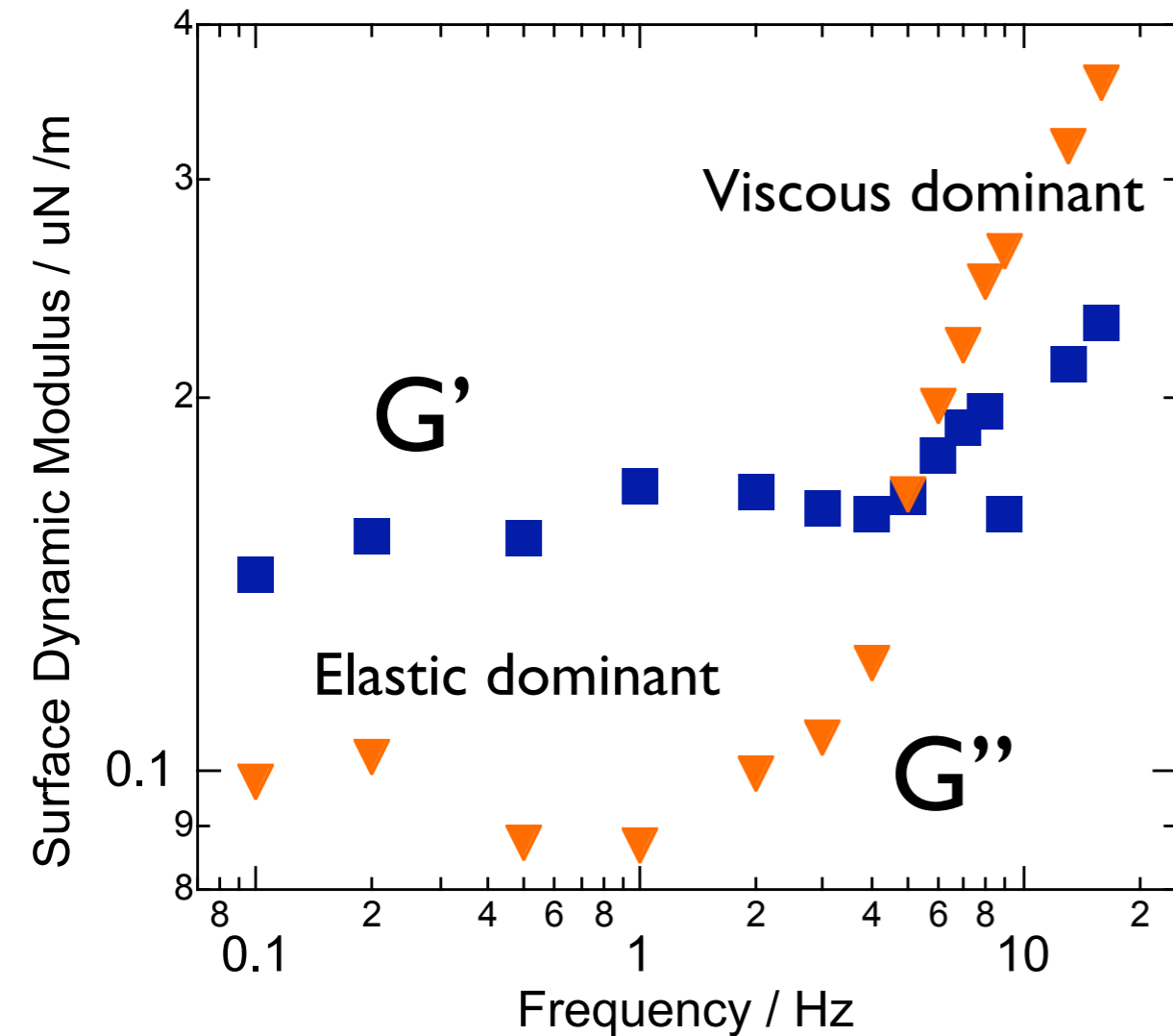


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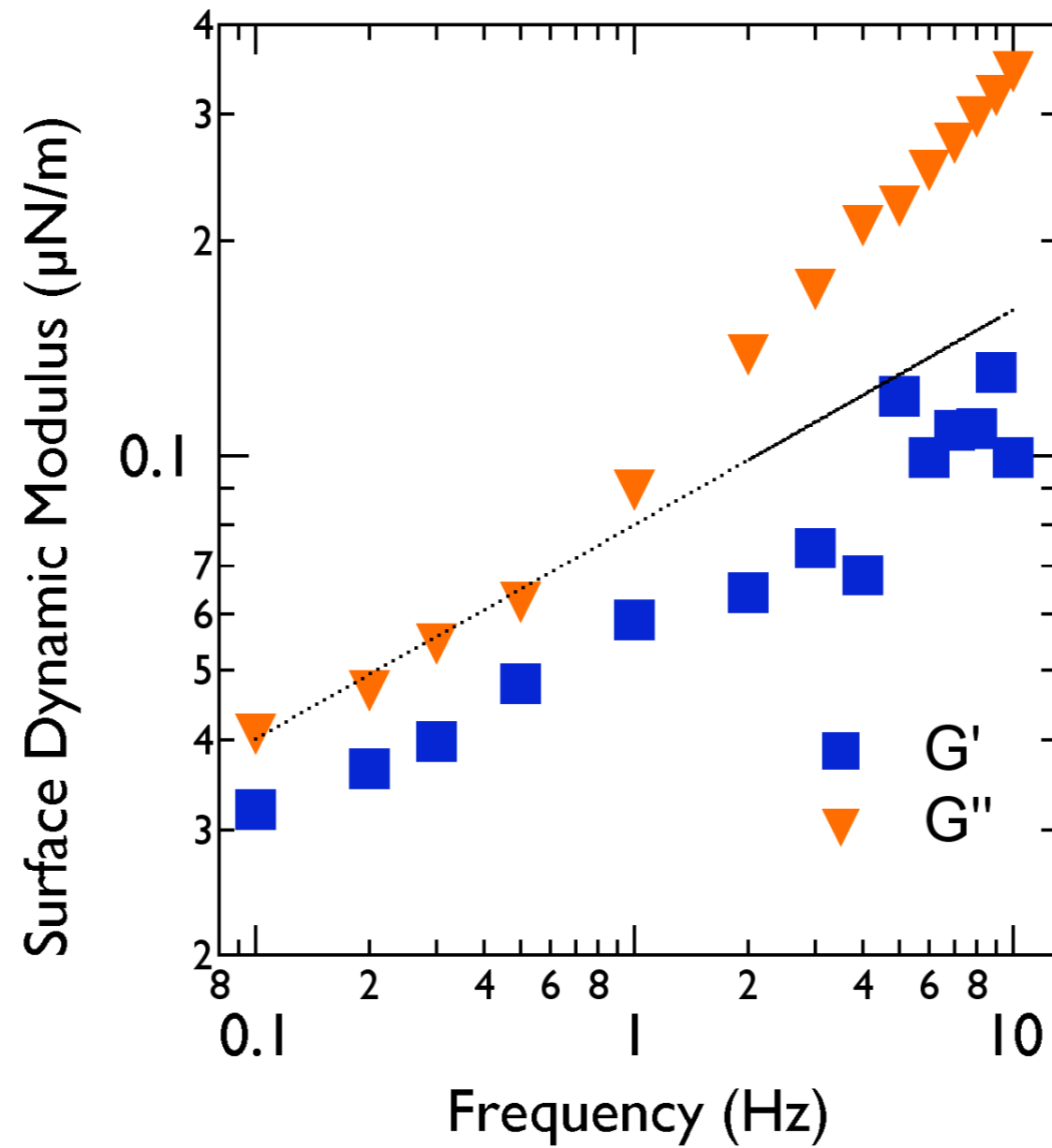
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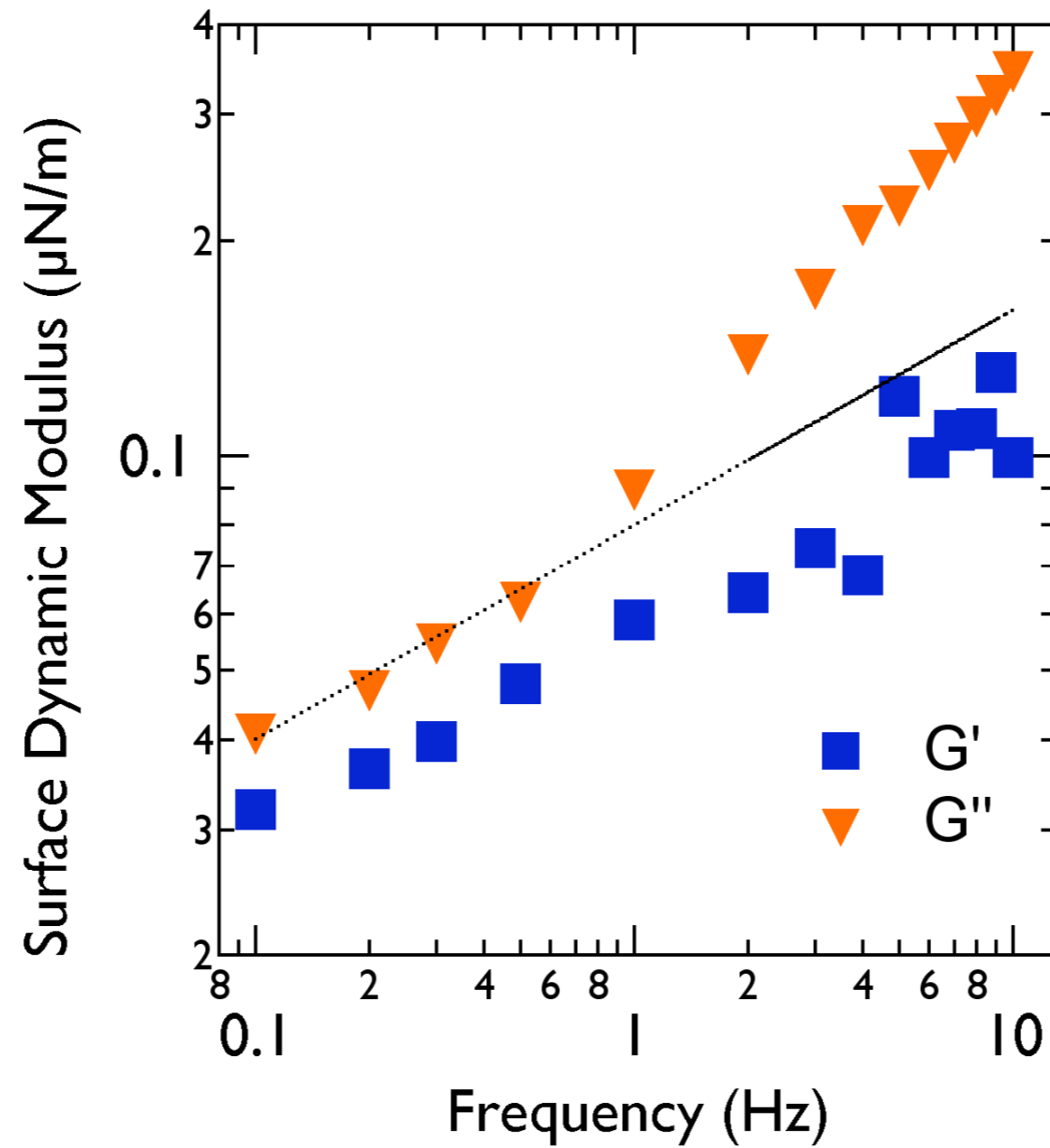
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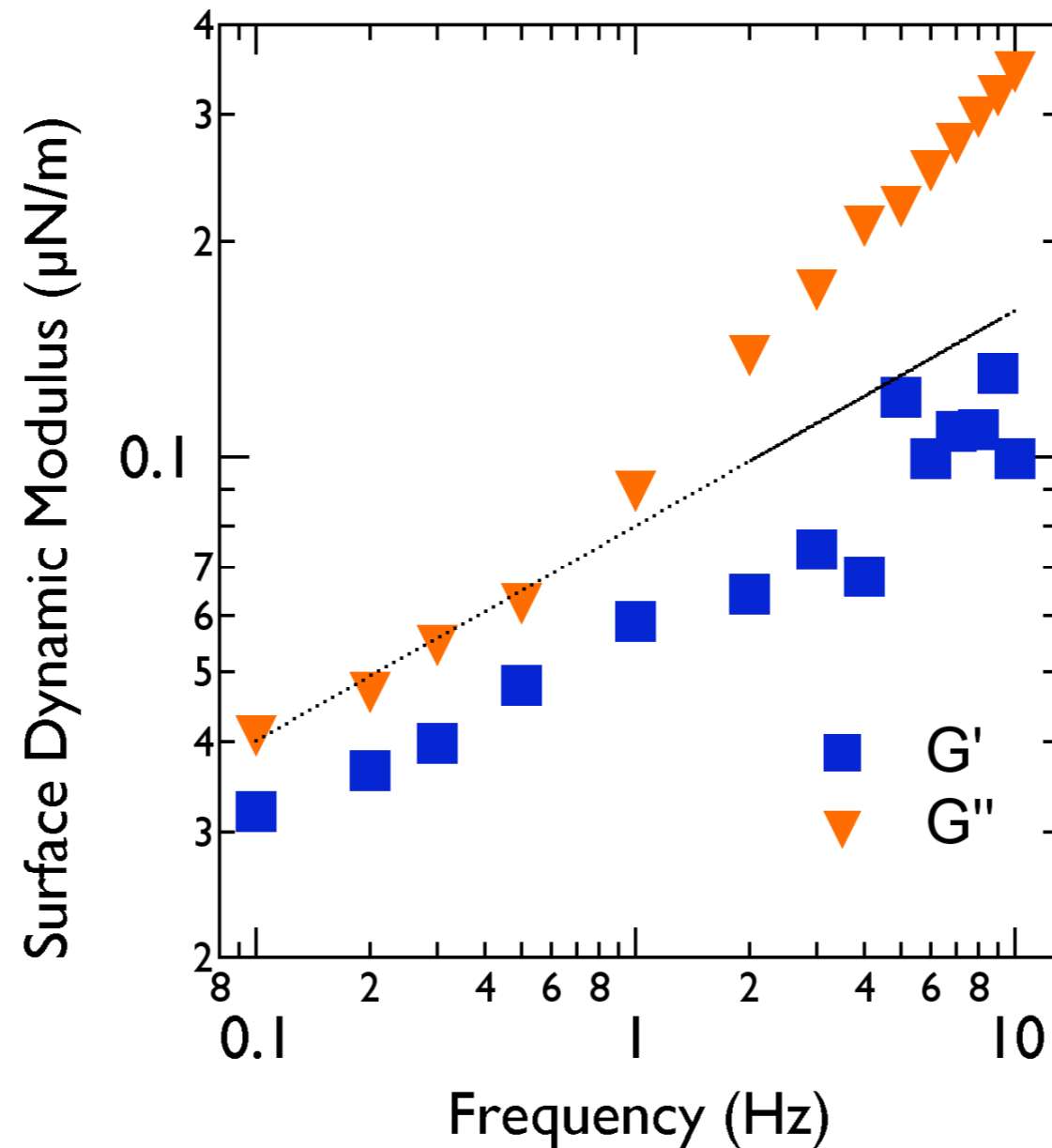
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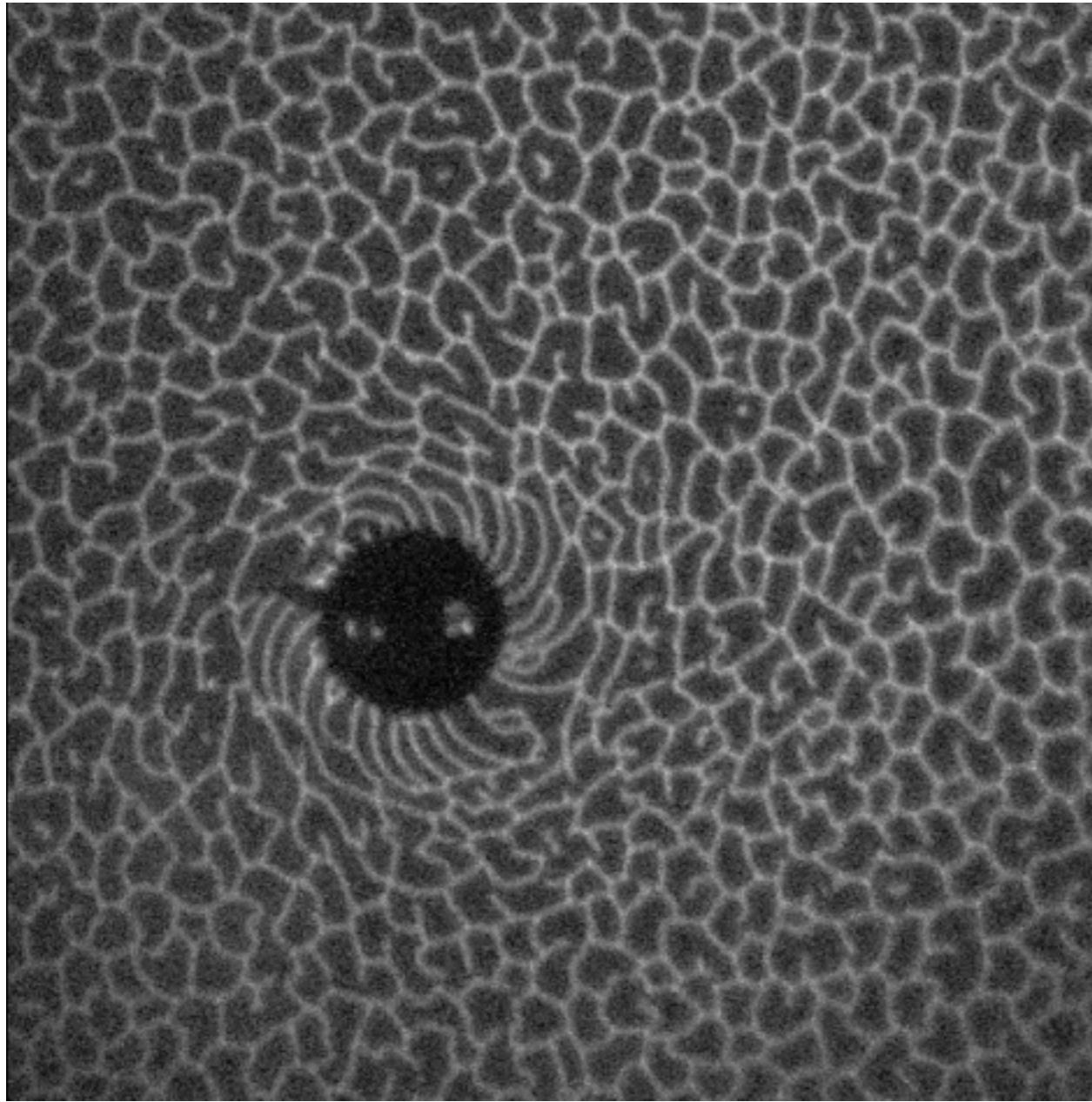
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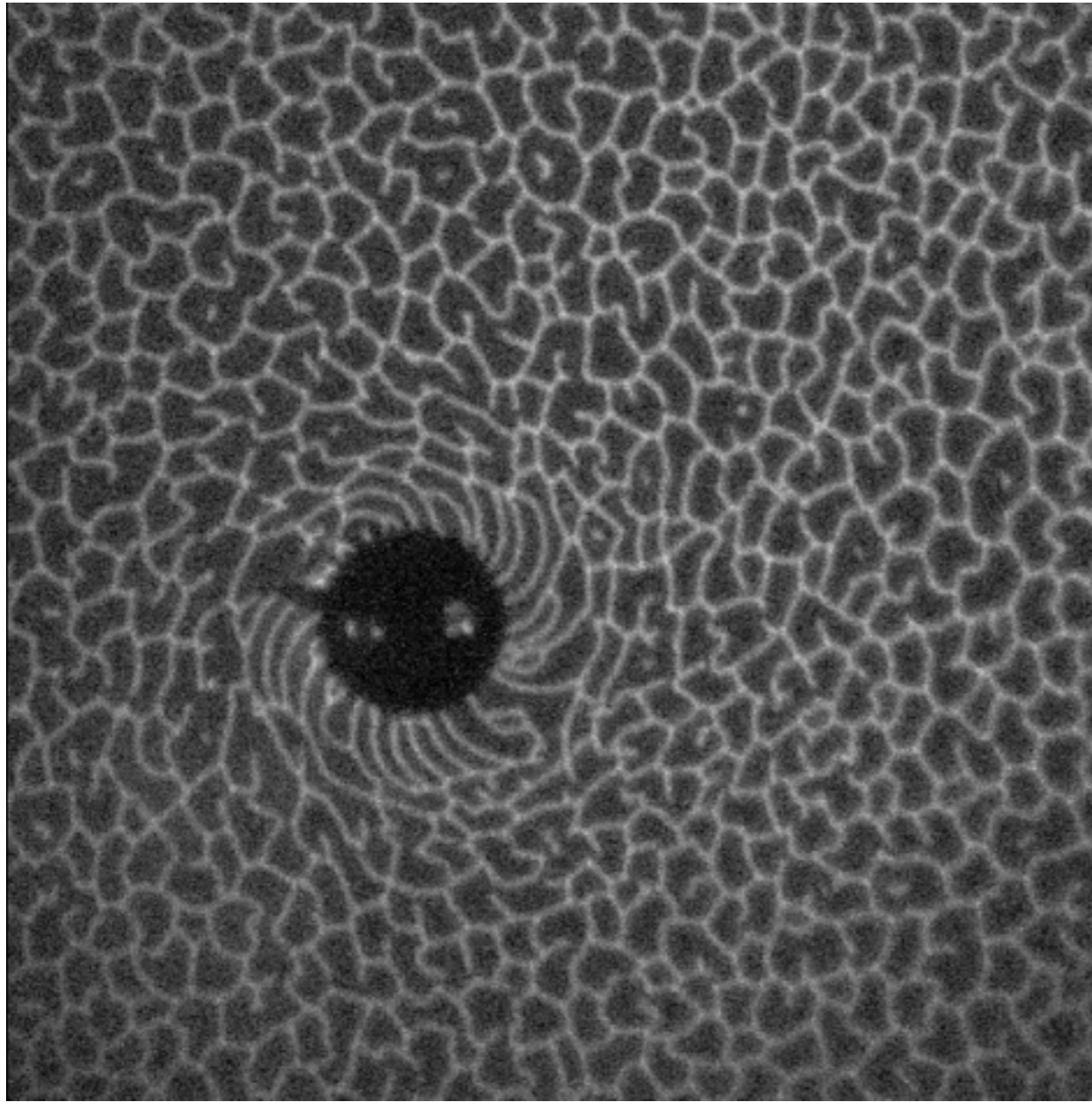
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History dependent rheology

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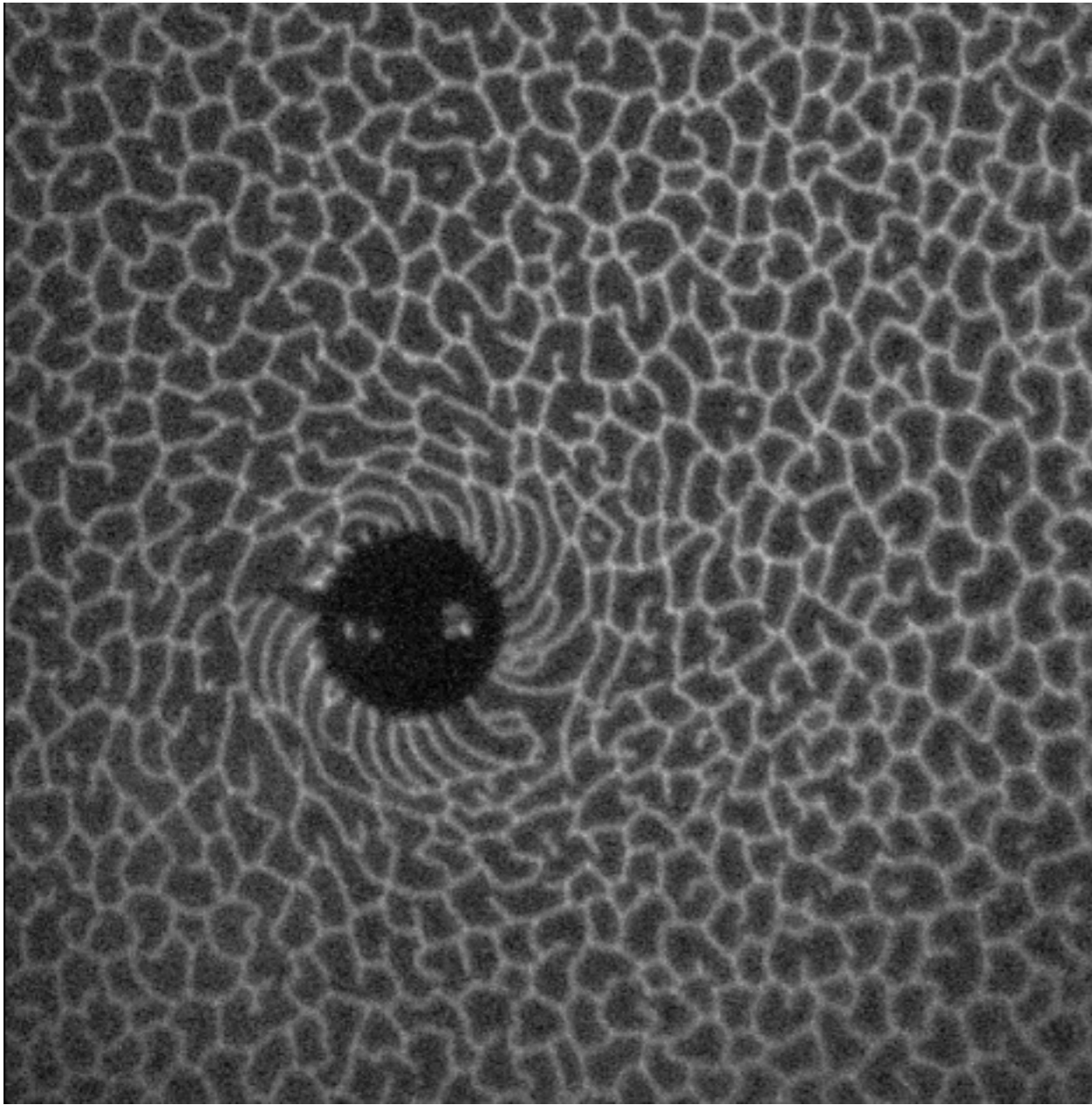
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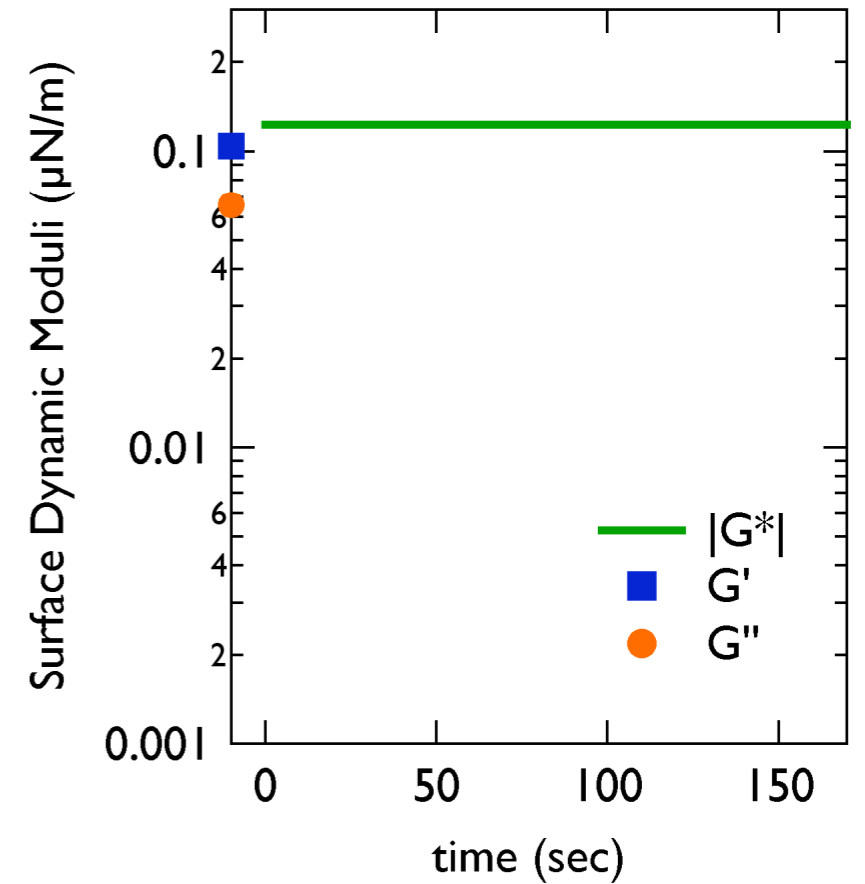
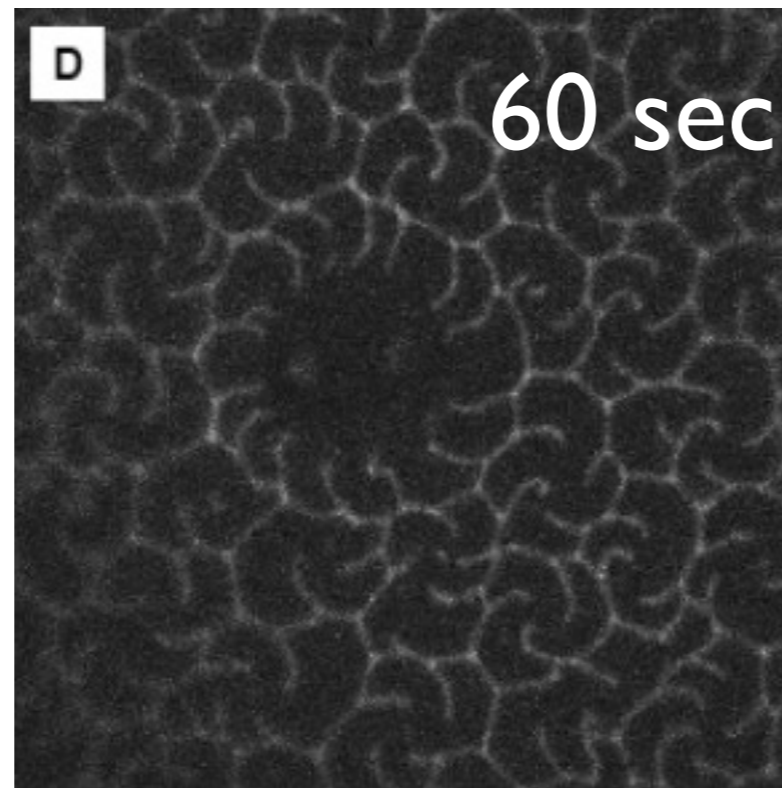
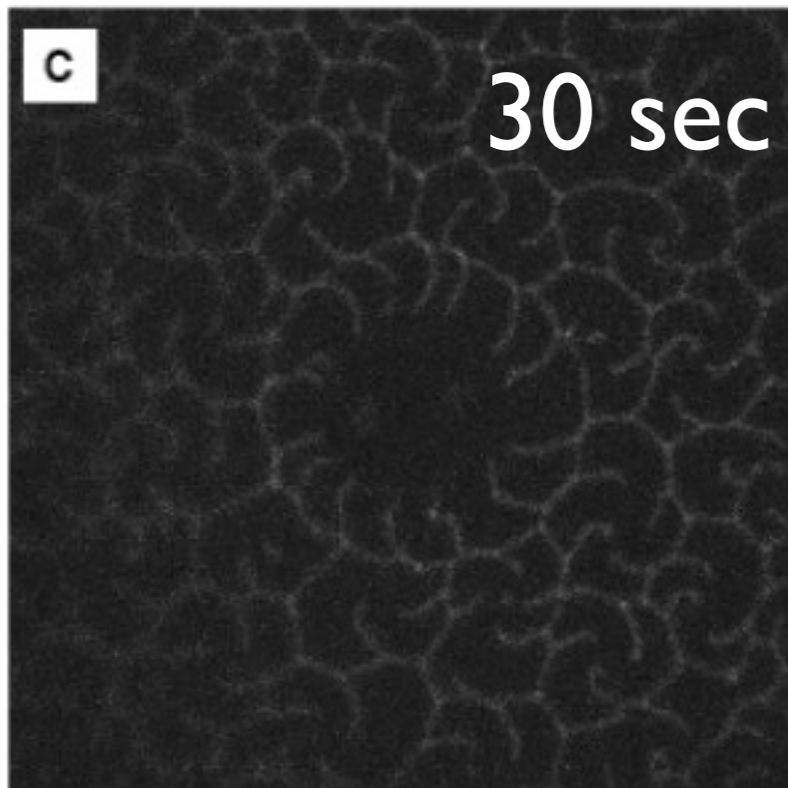
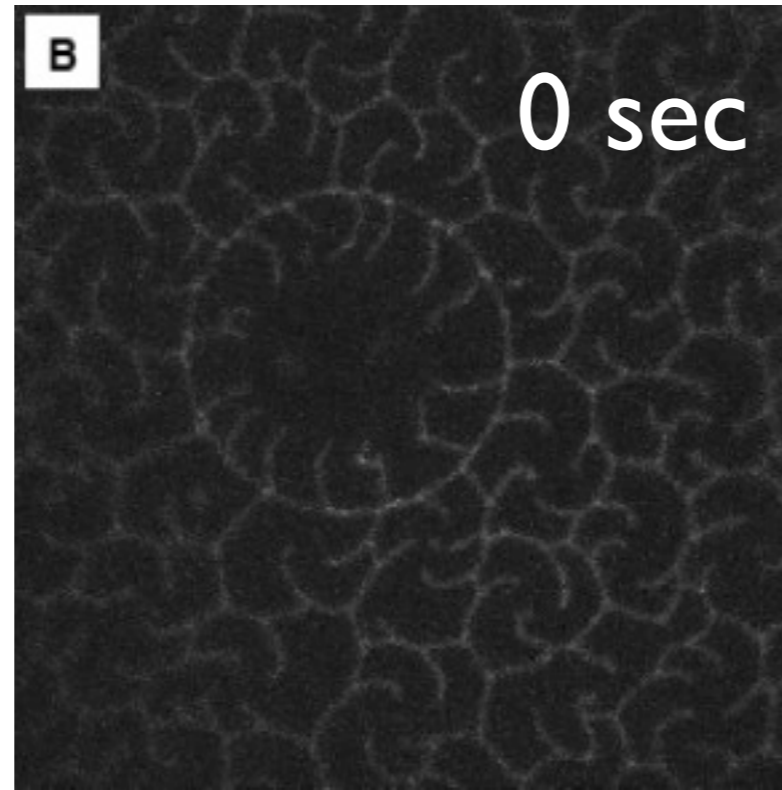
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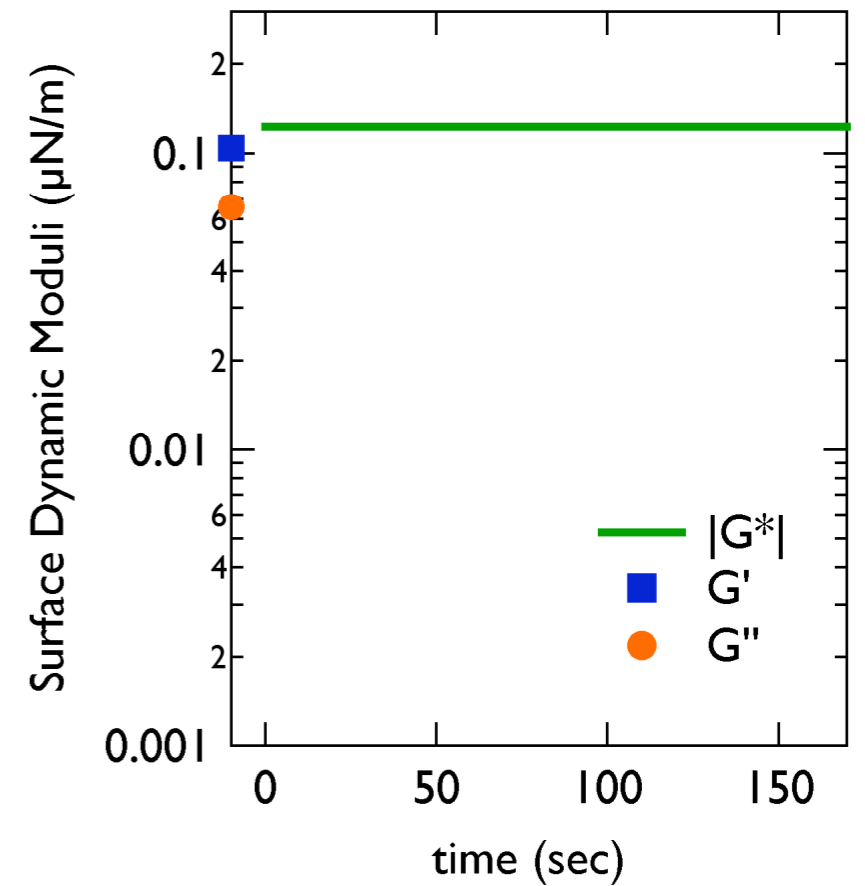
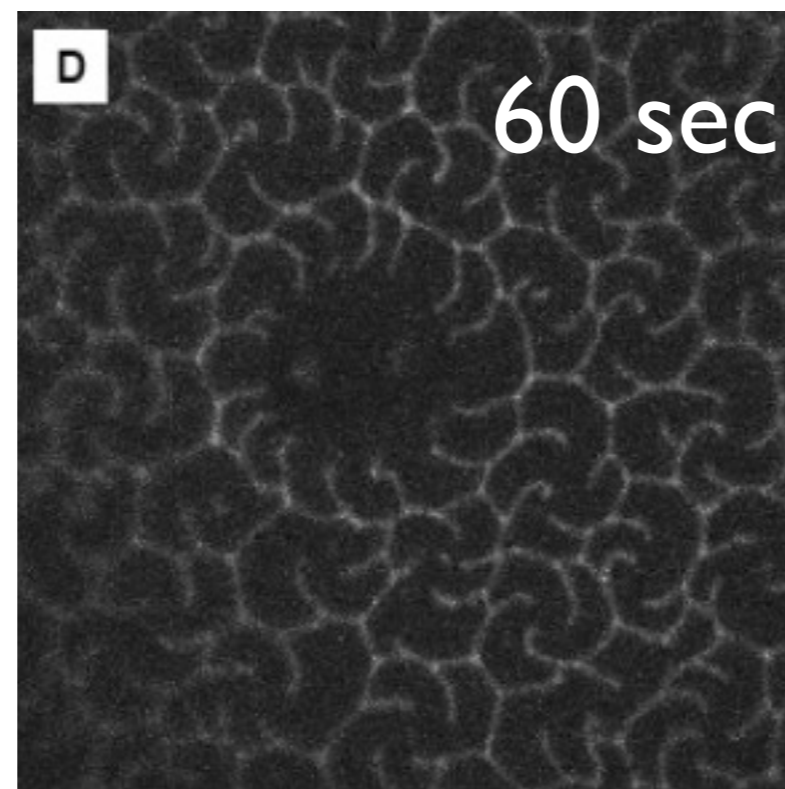
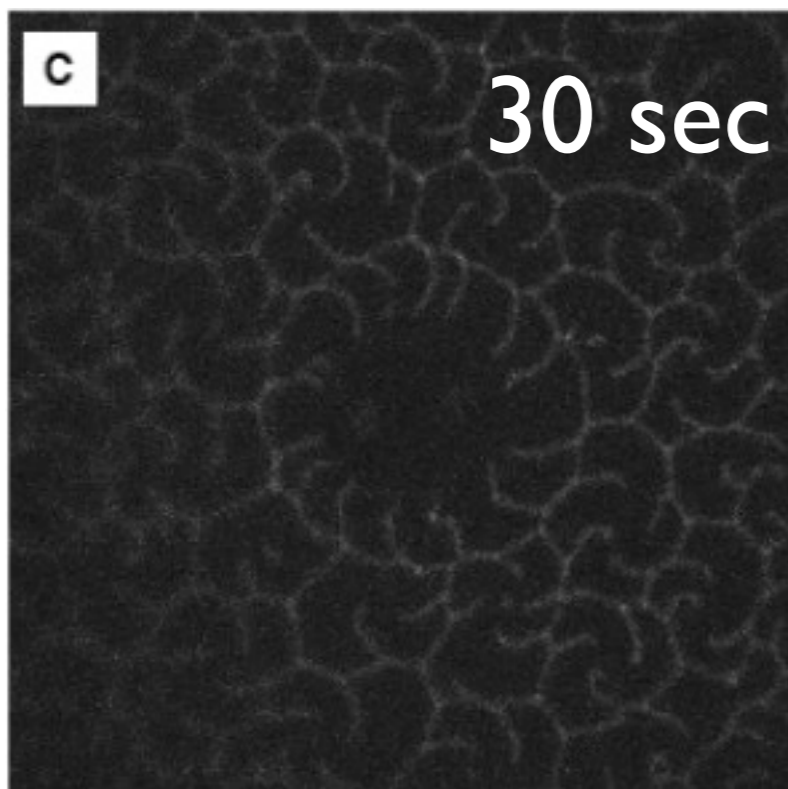
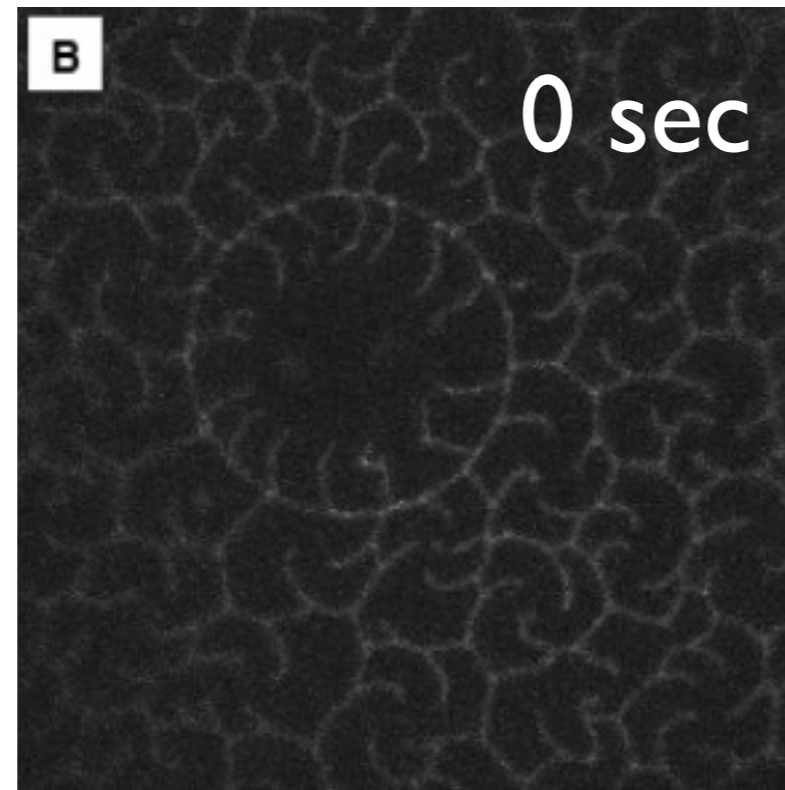
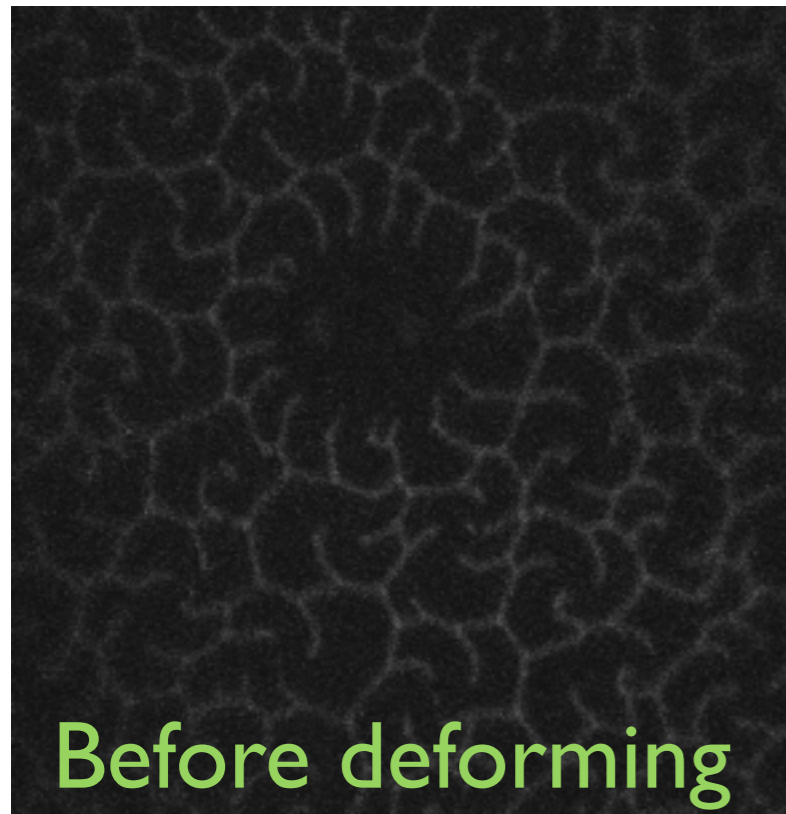


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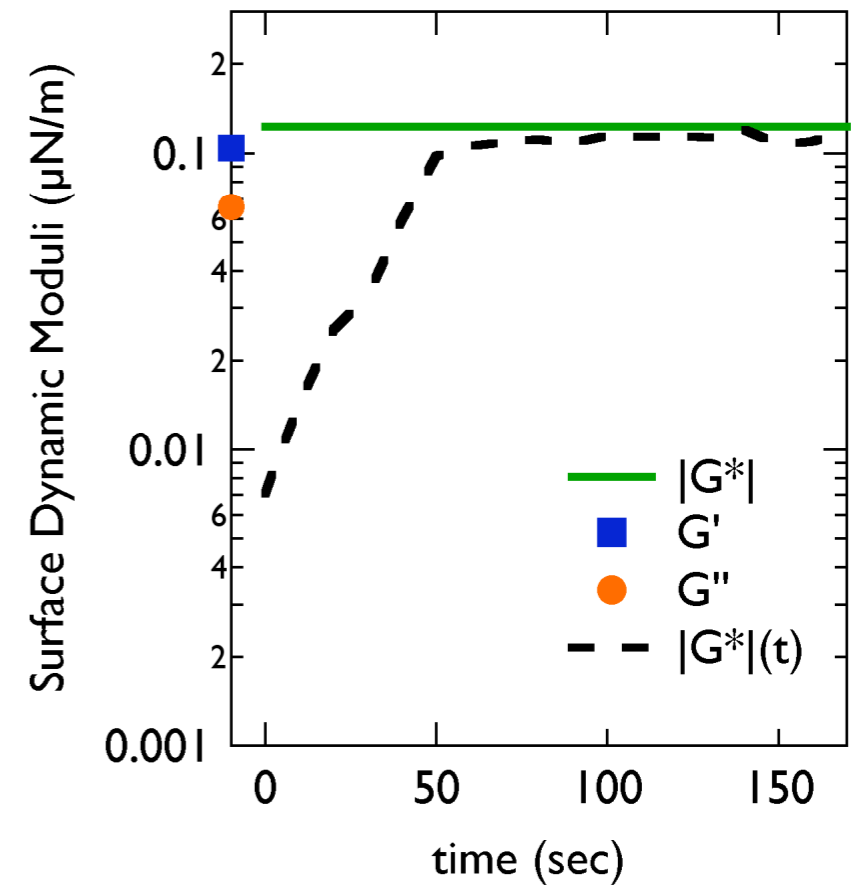
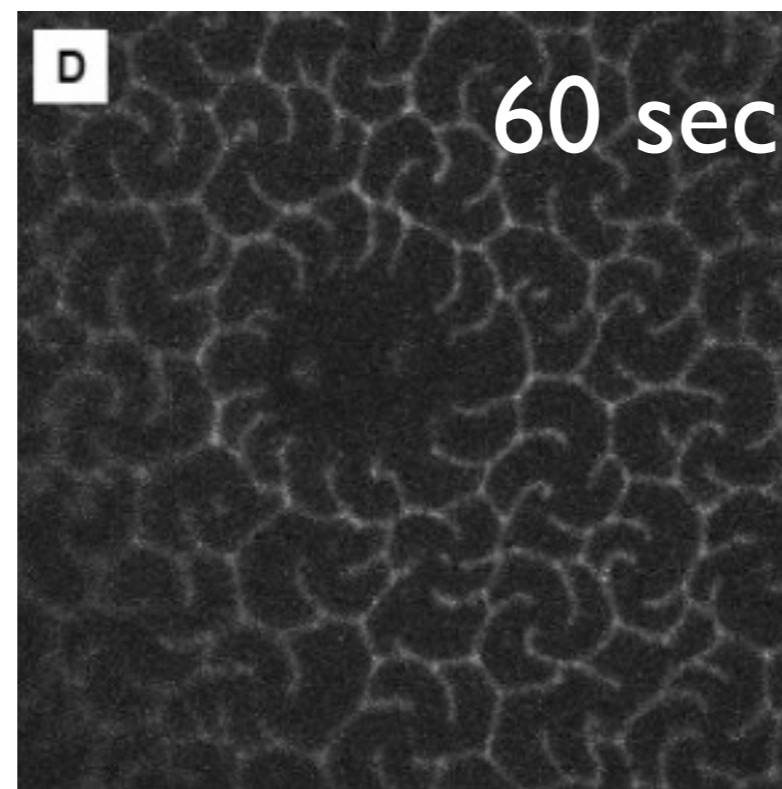
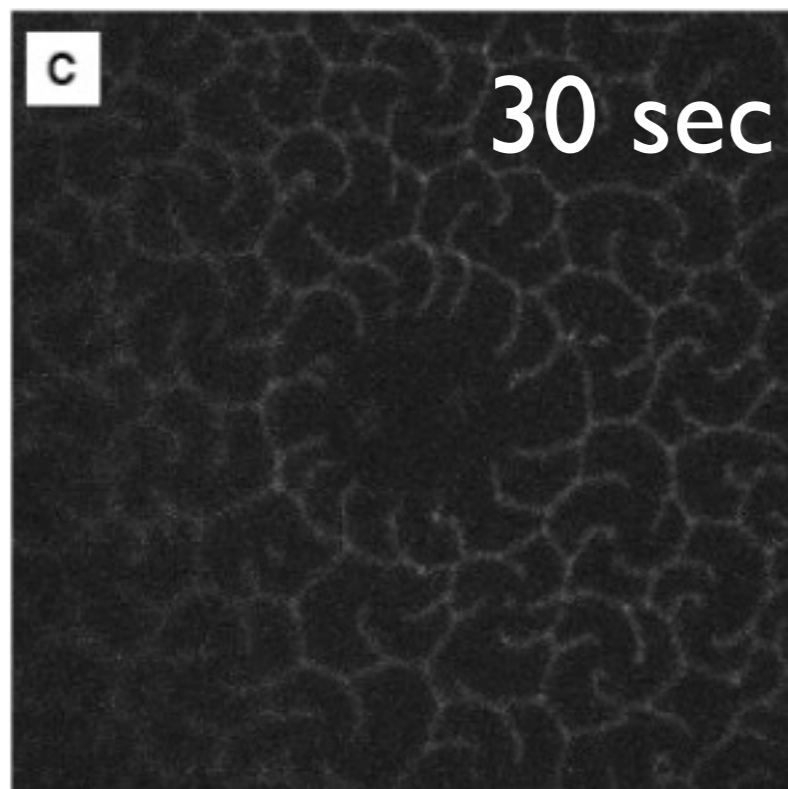
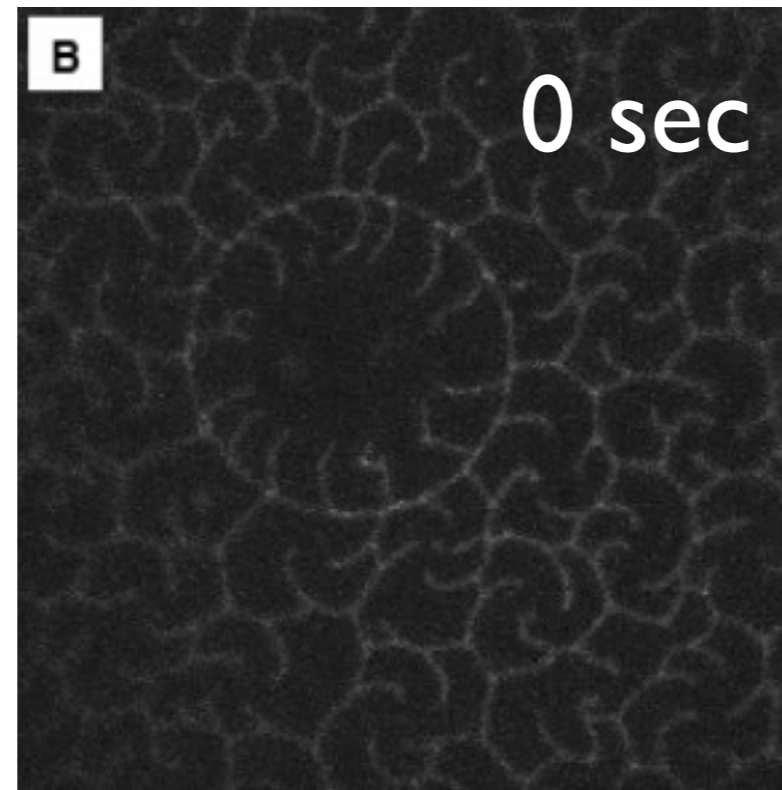
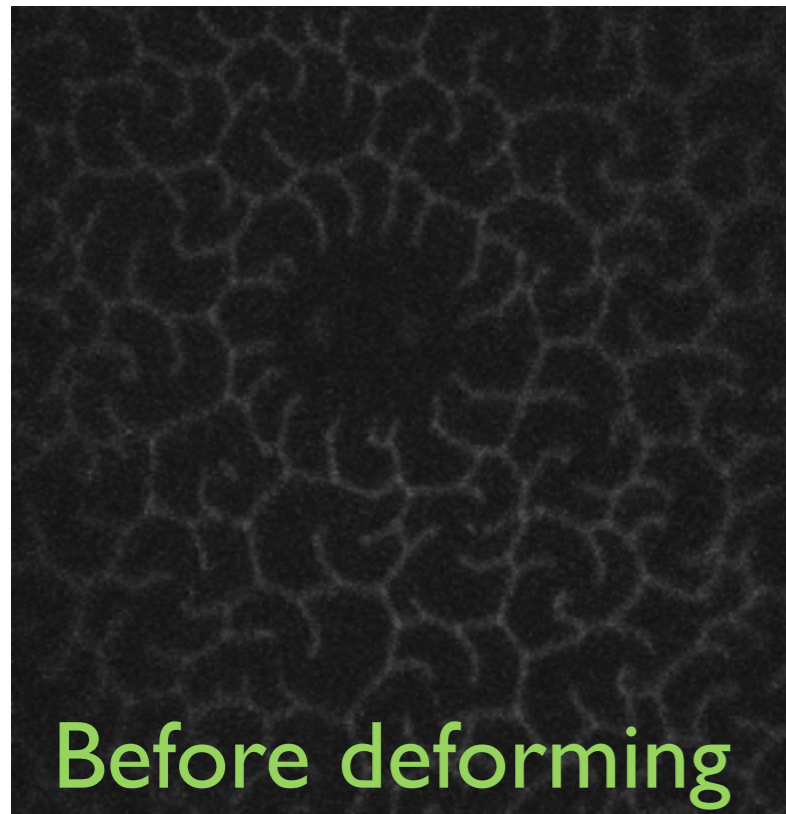


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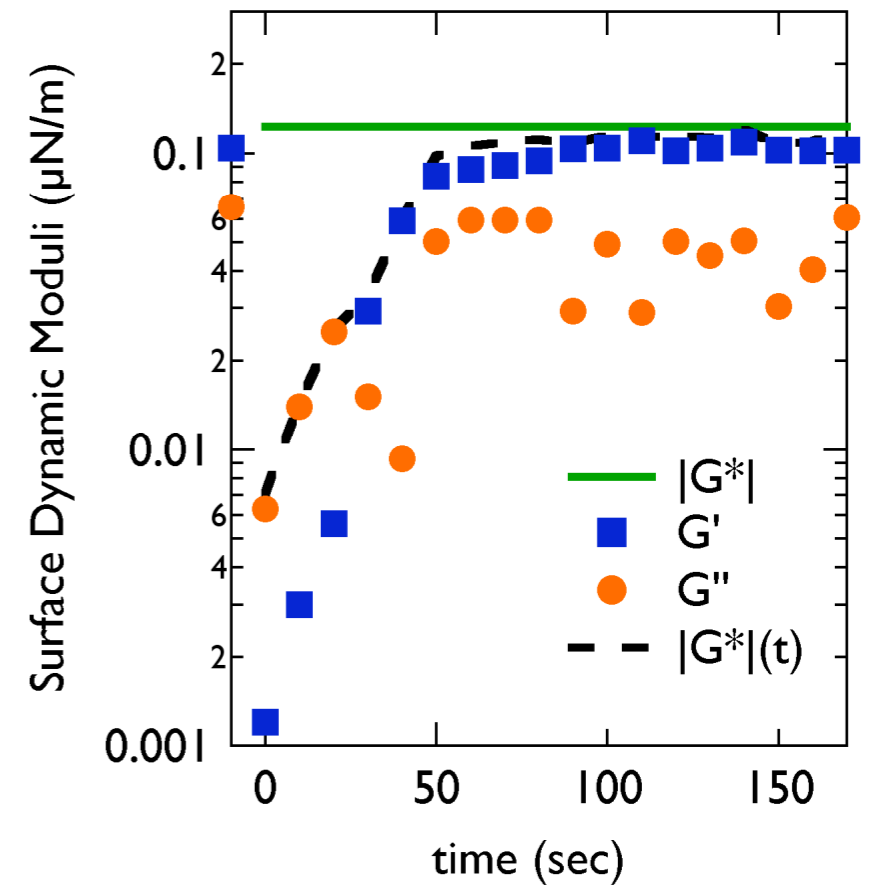
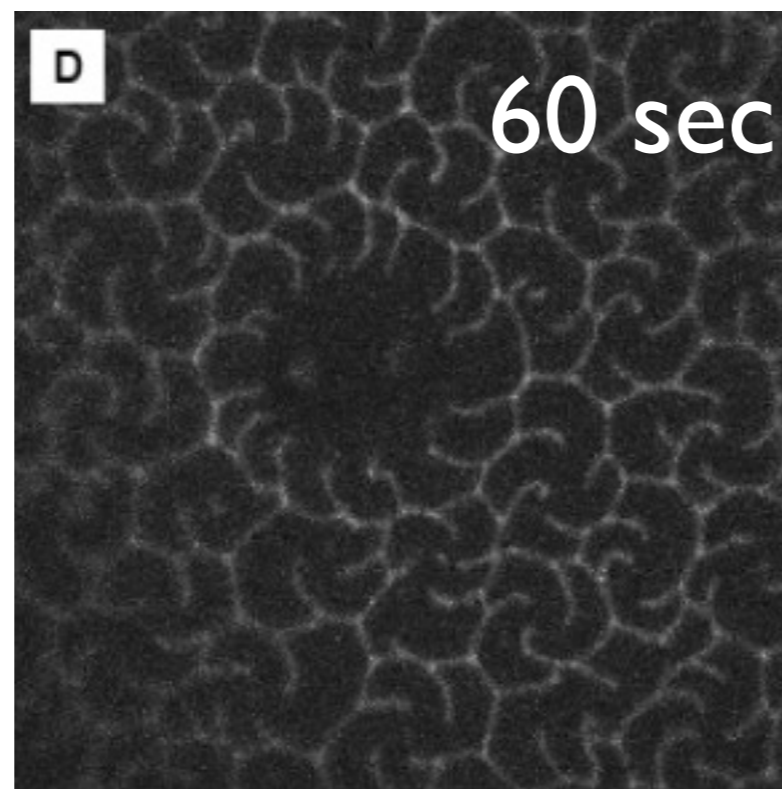
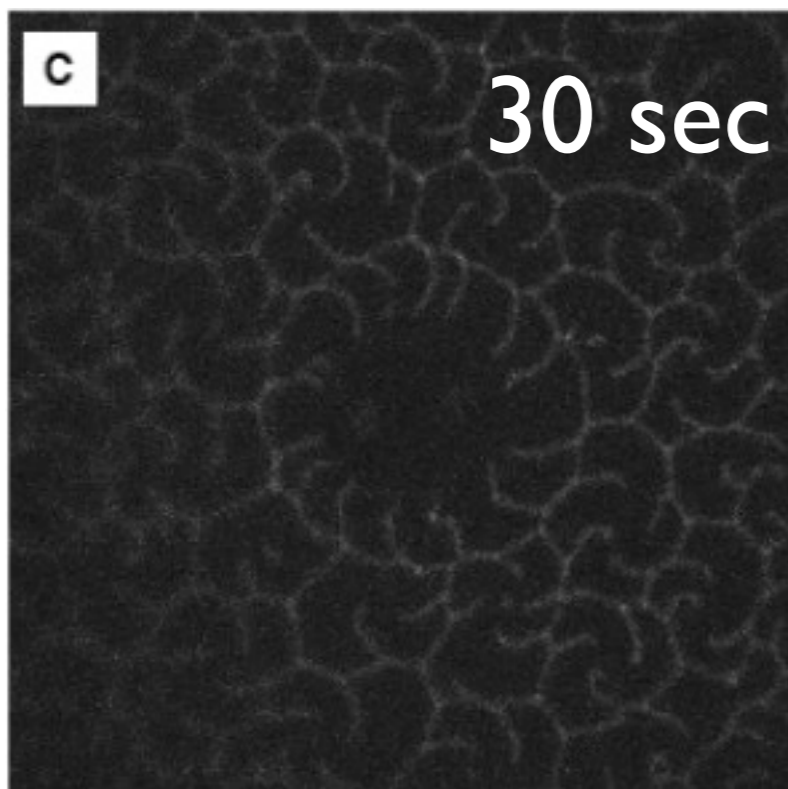
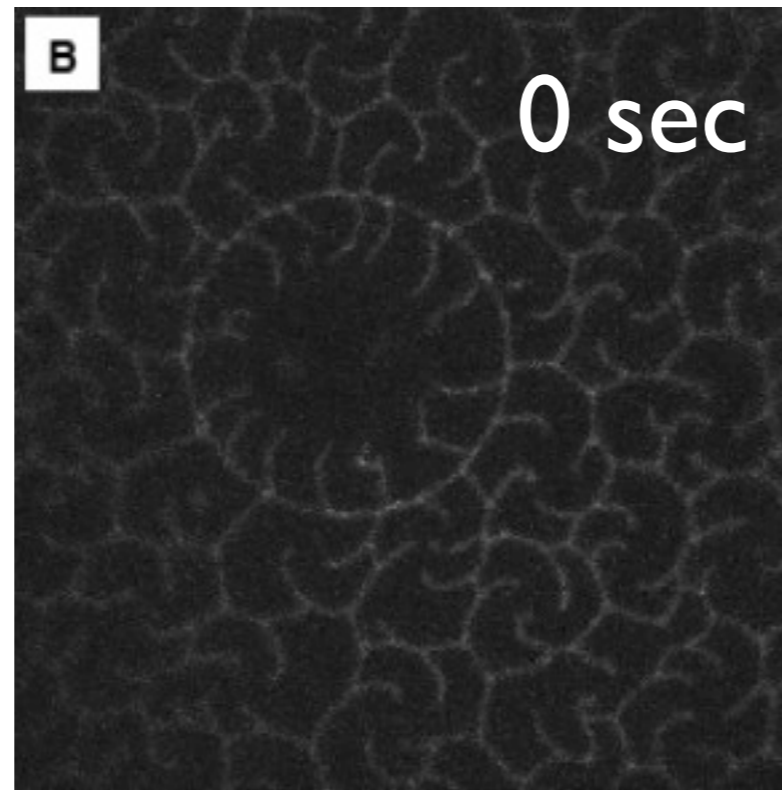
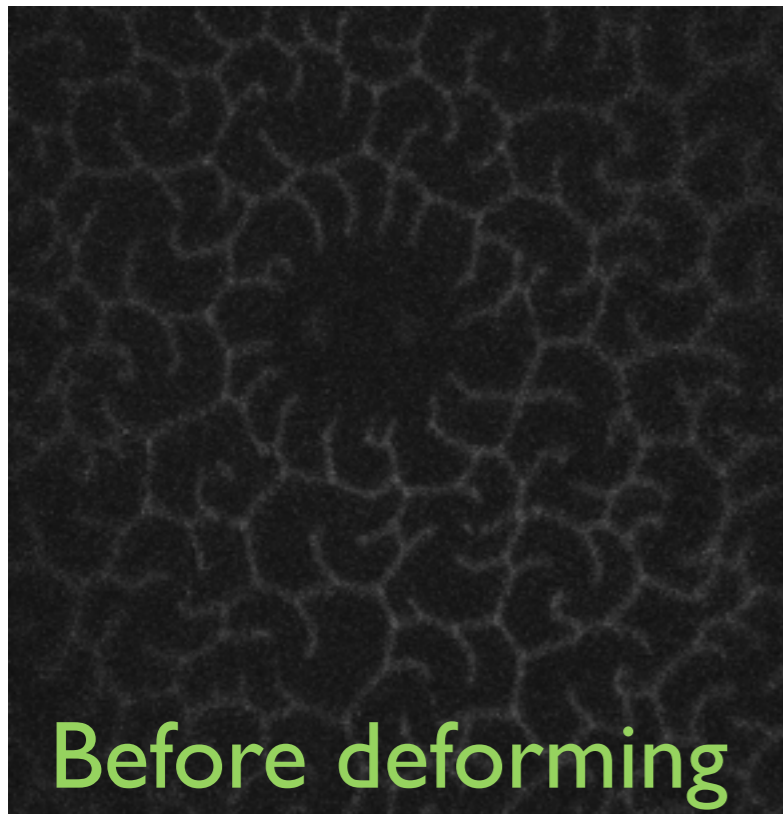


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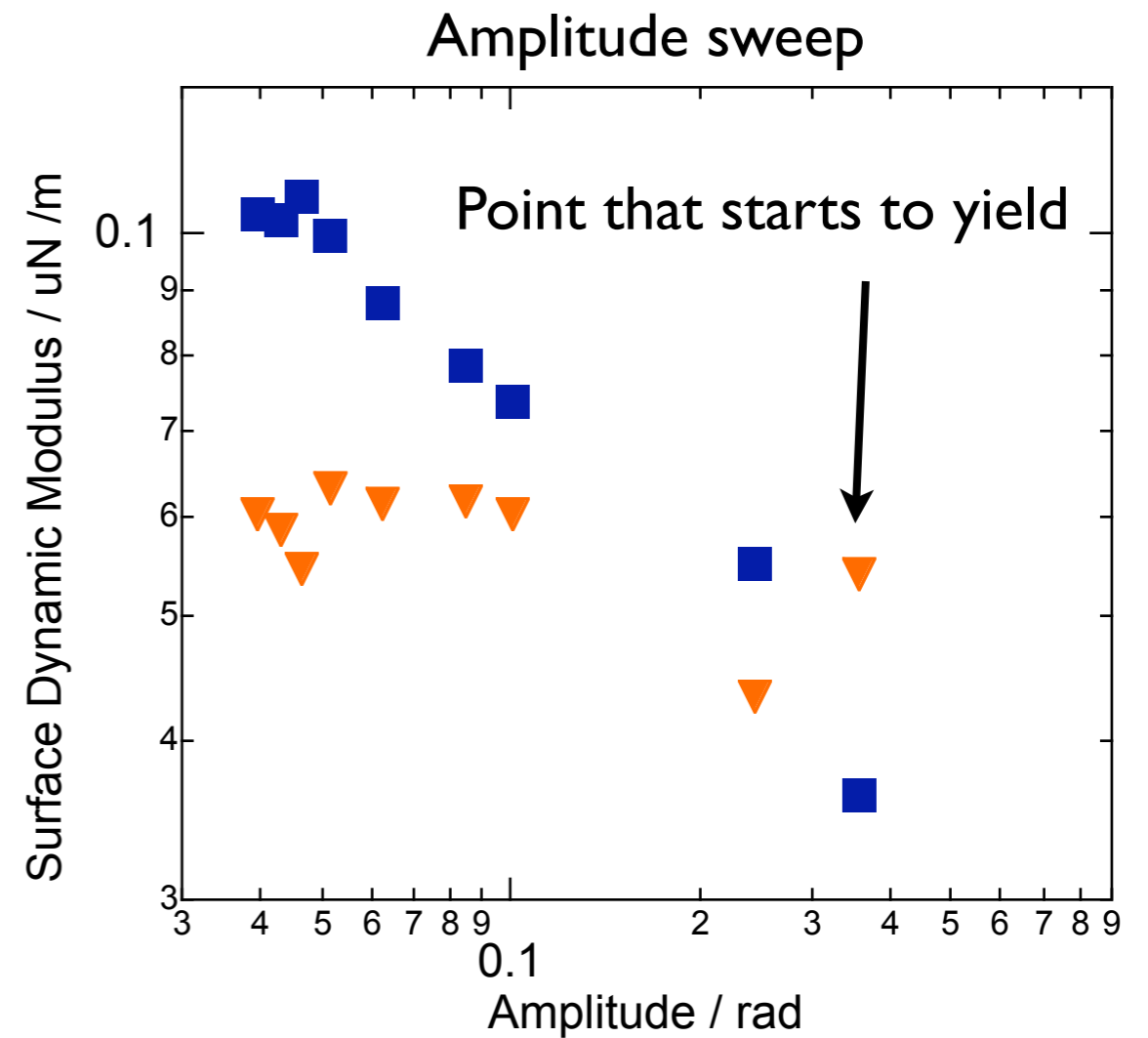
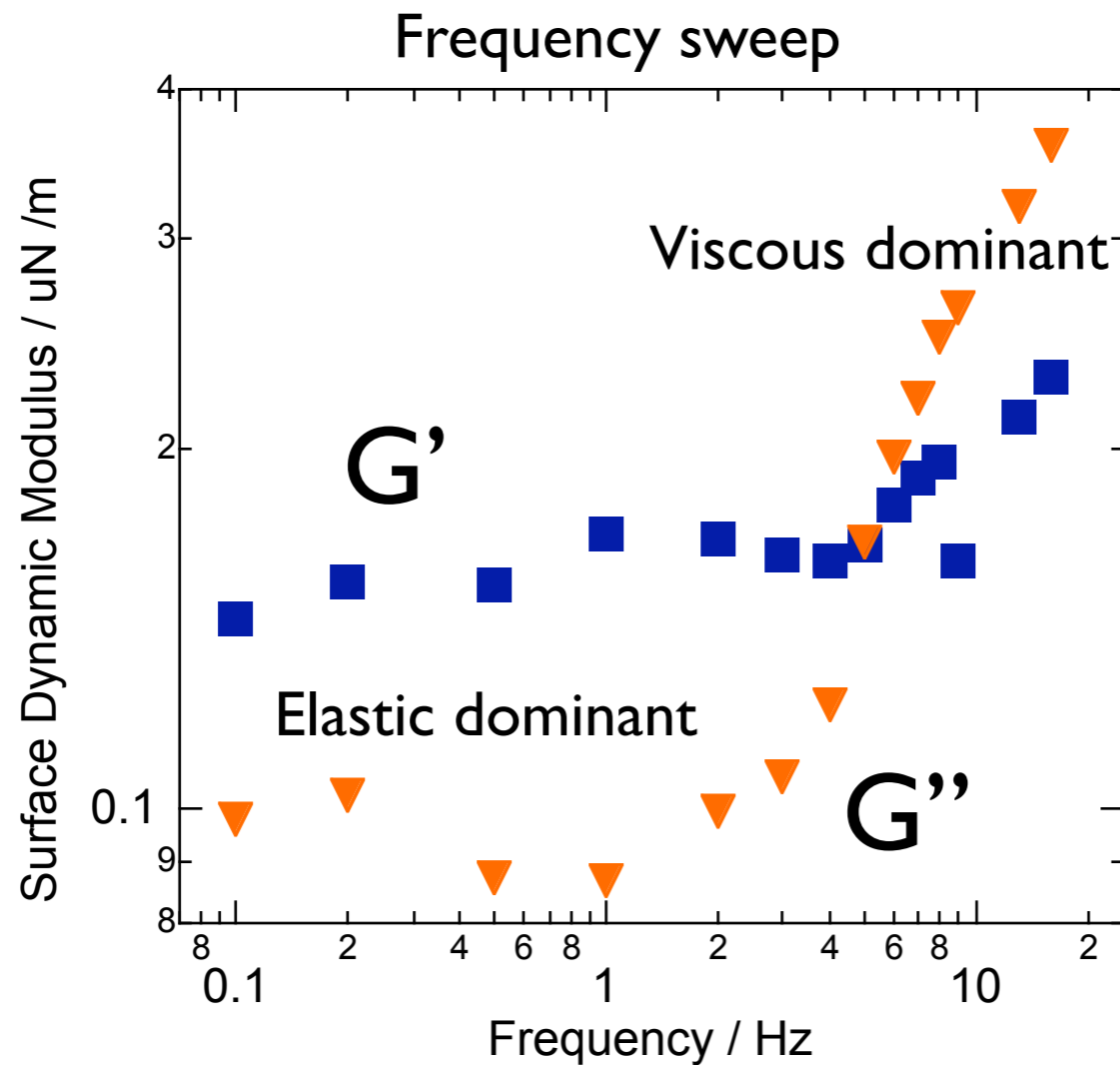
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Viscous - Elastic transition



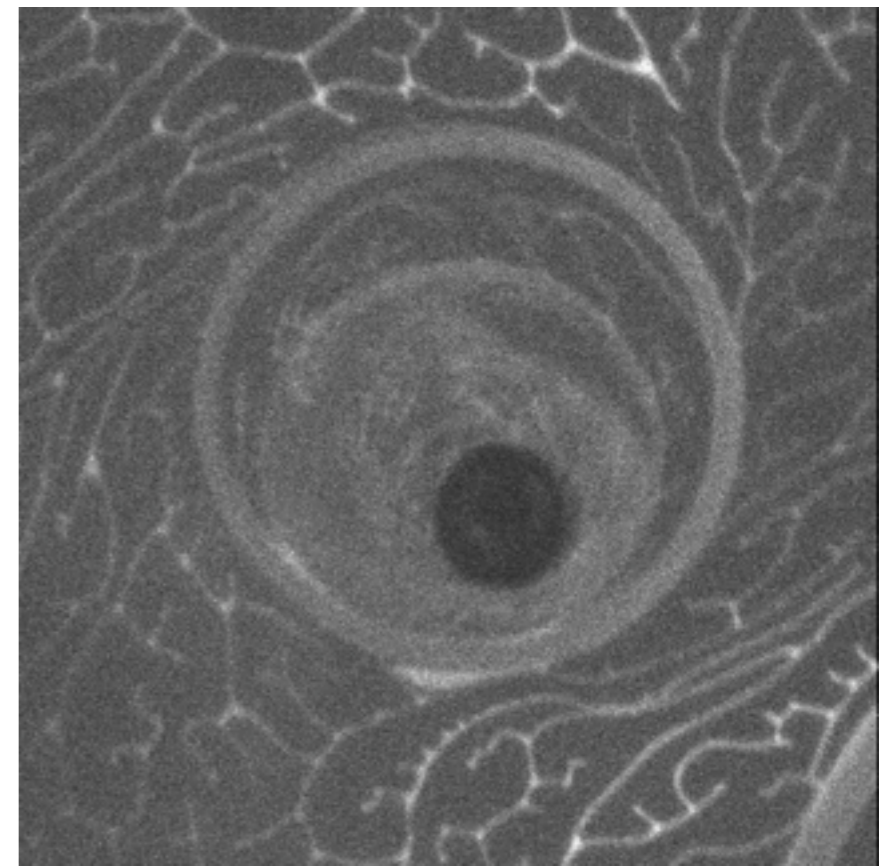
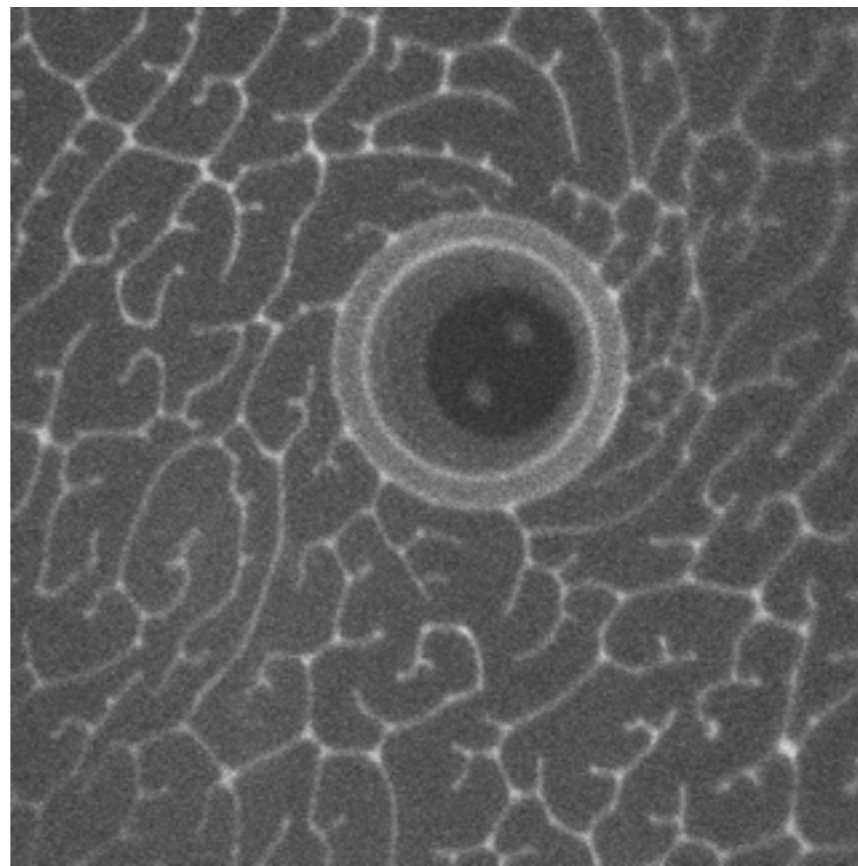
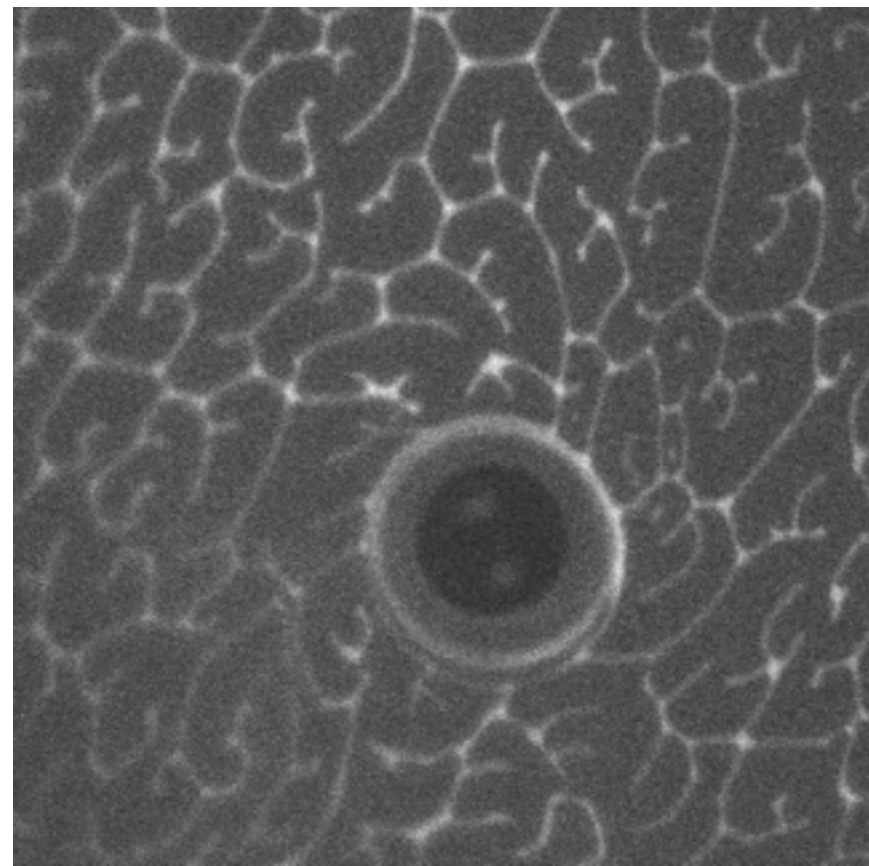
# A few clues of yield stress

2 nm molecular Mayonnaise??



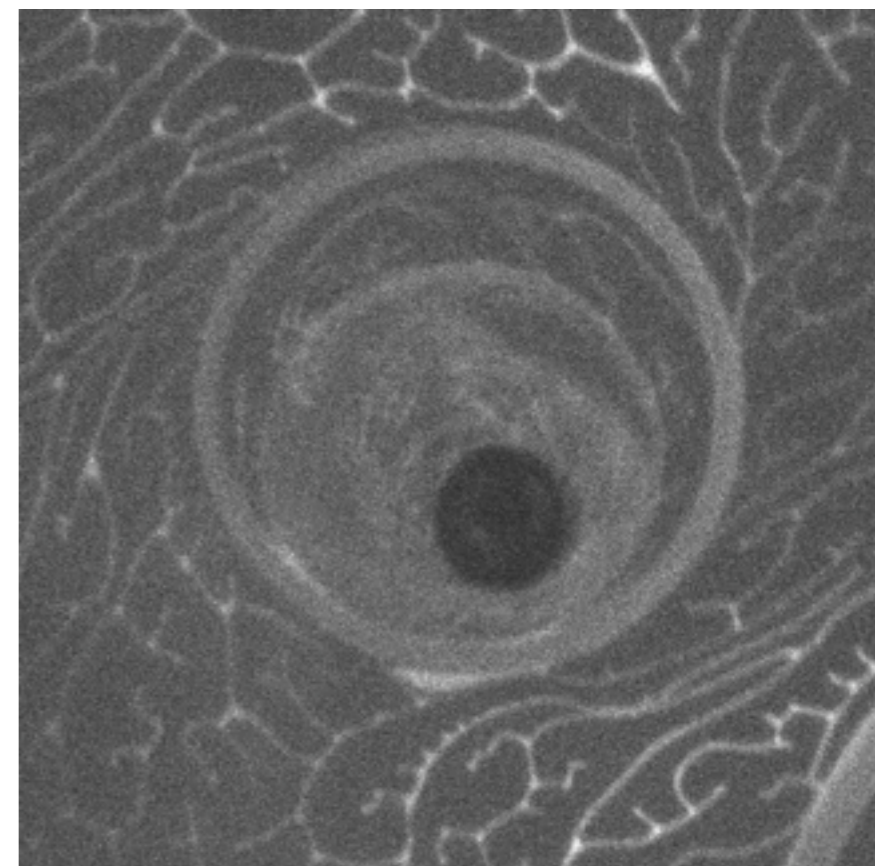
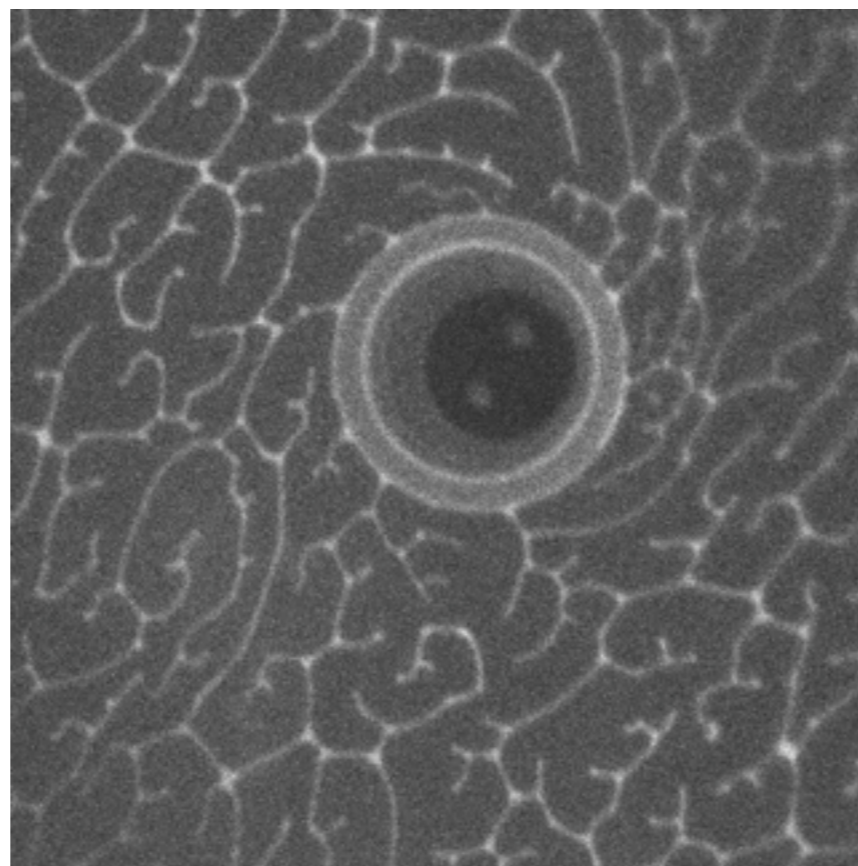
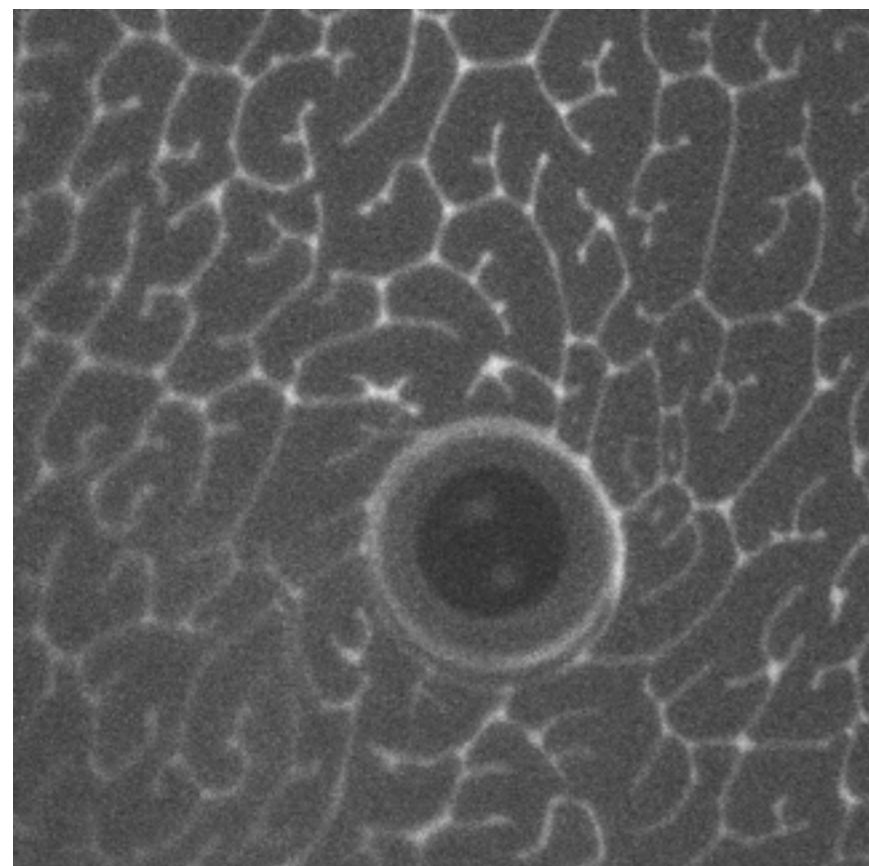
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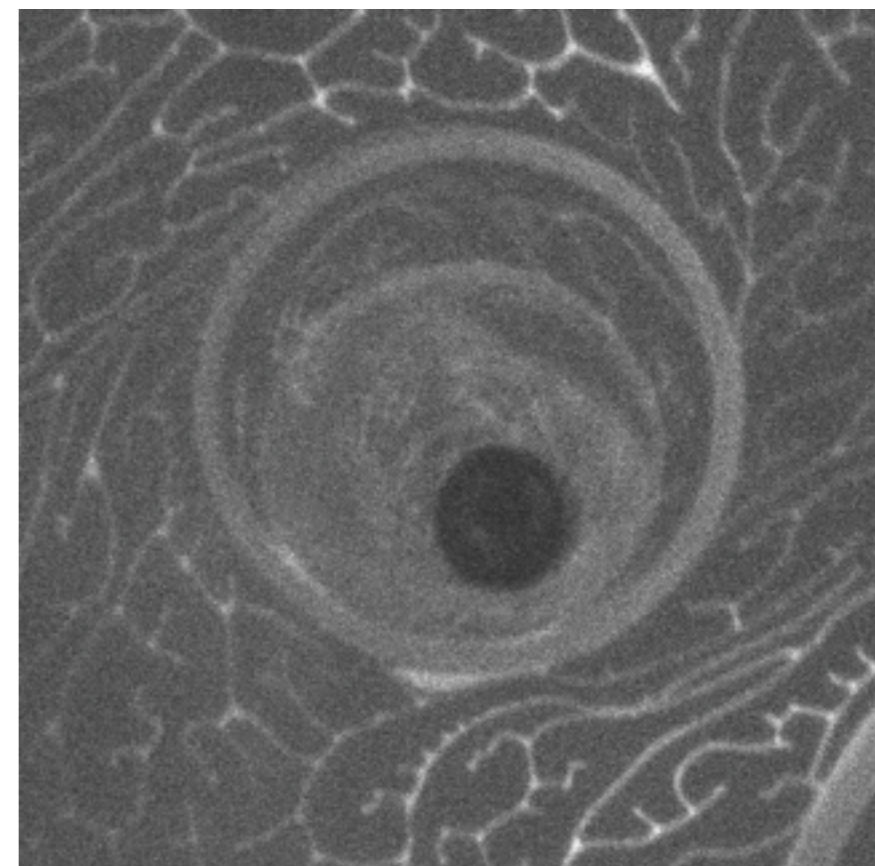
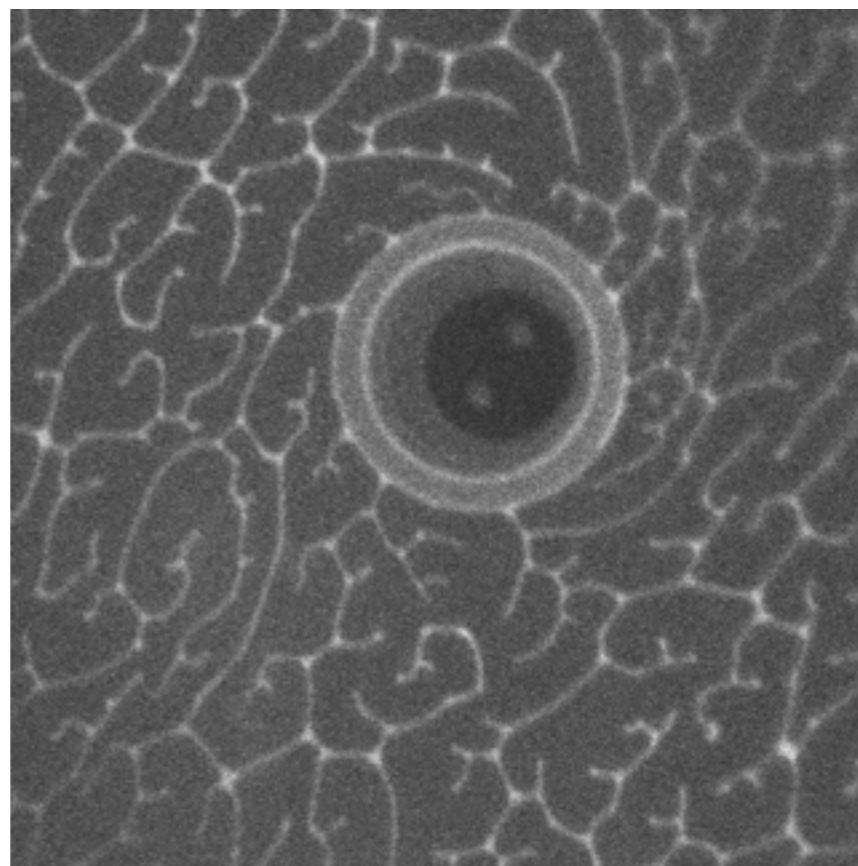
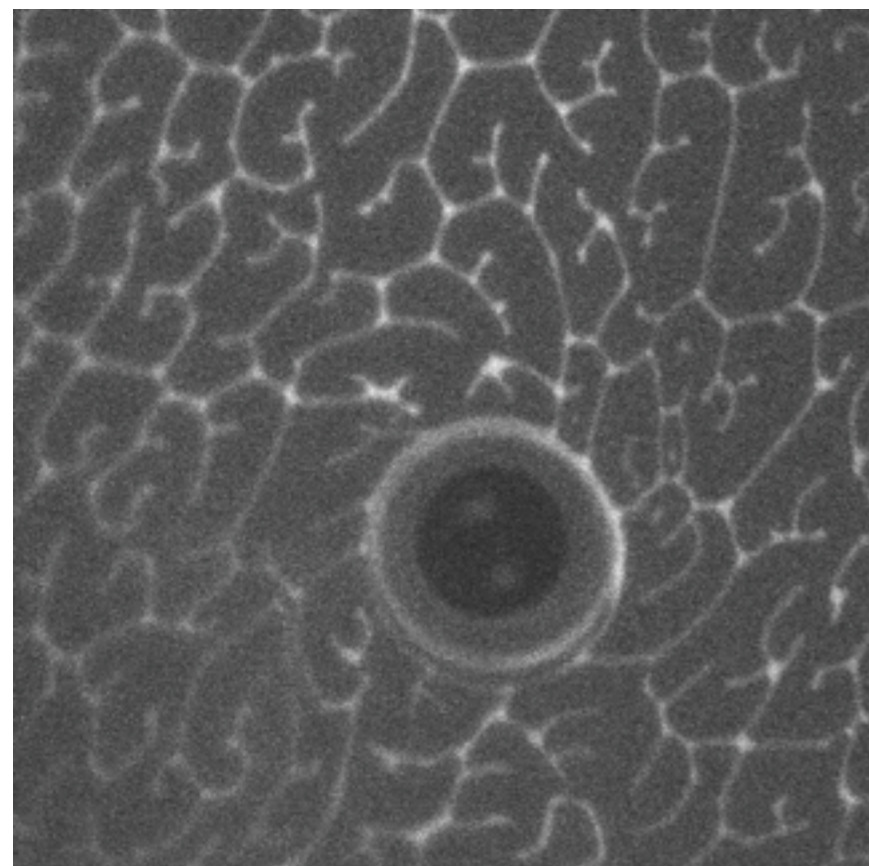
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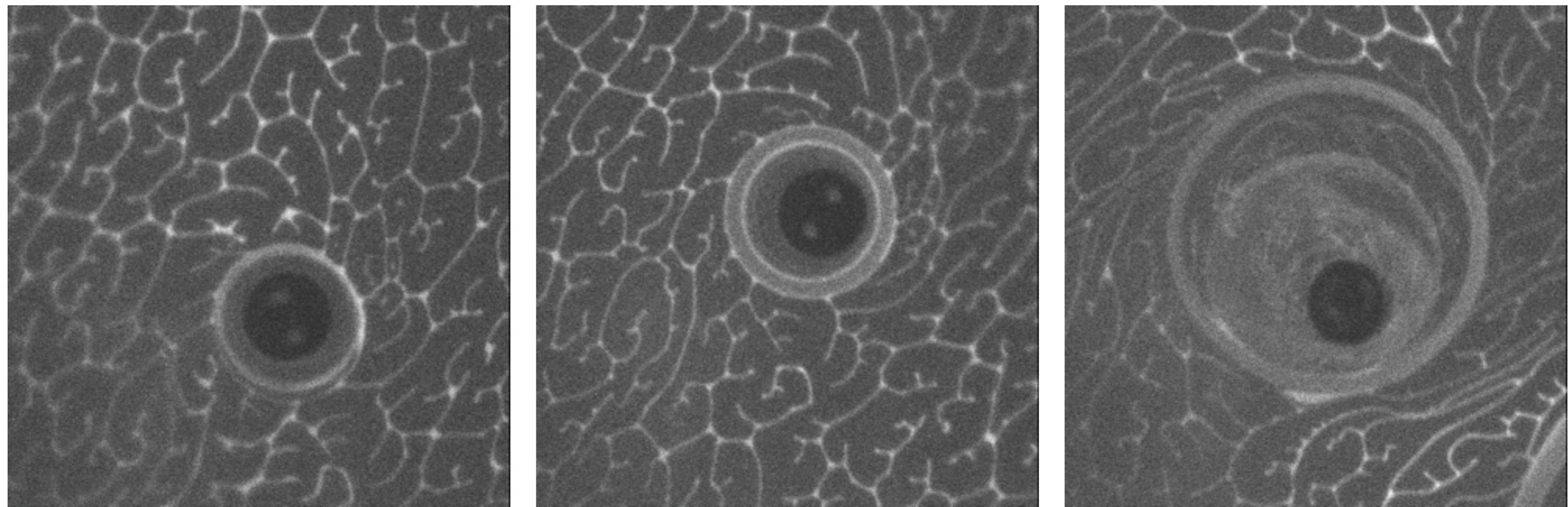
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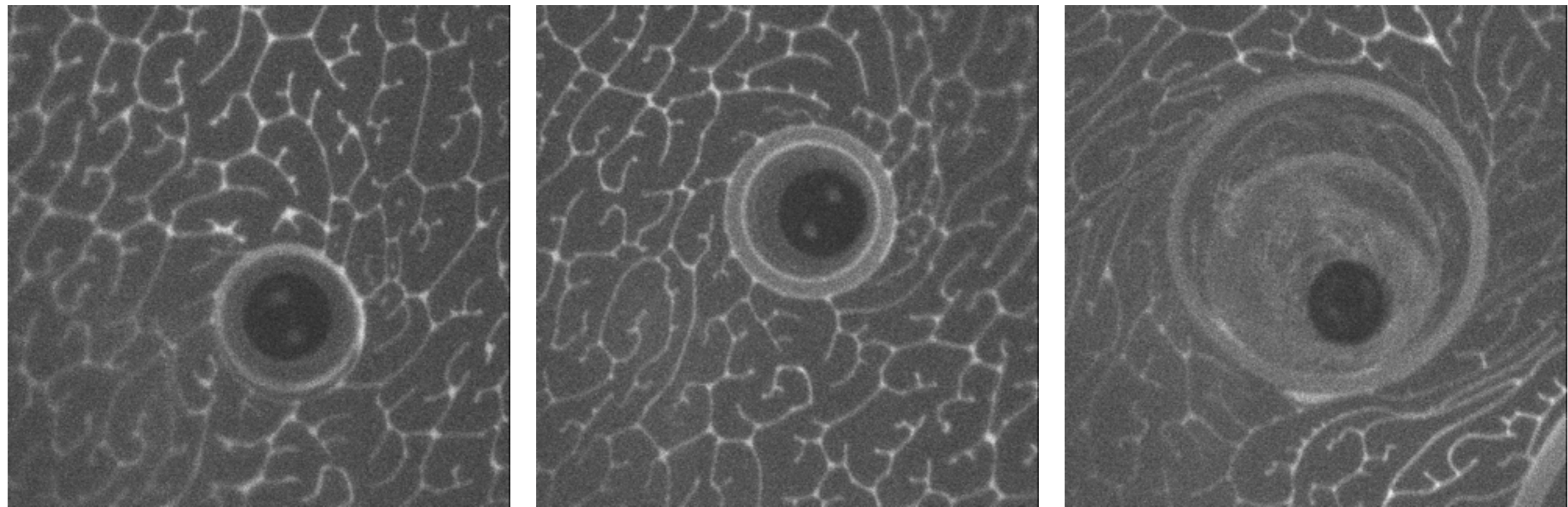
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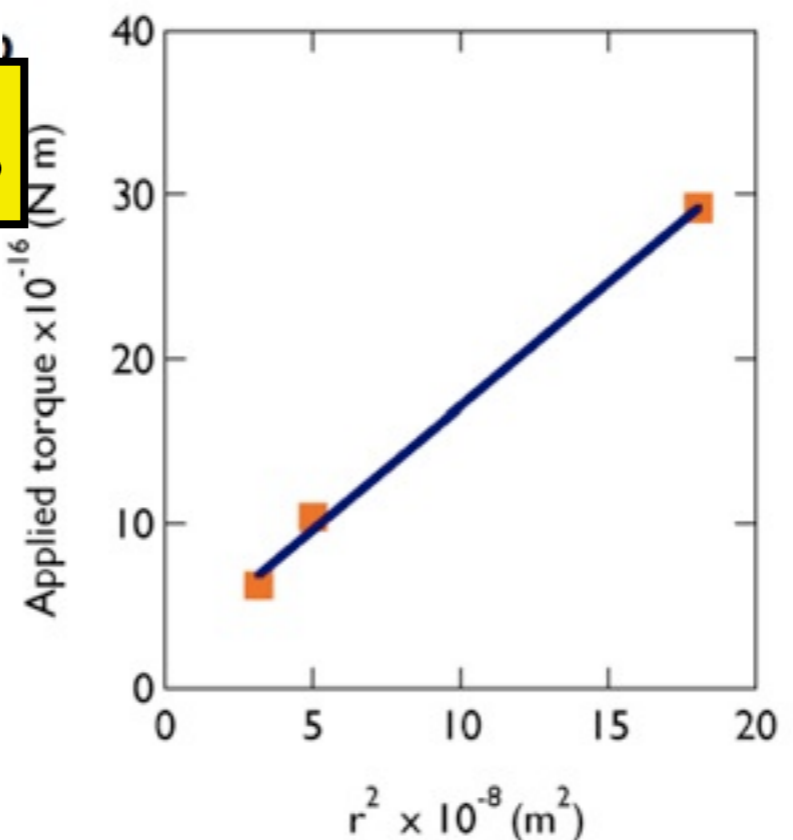
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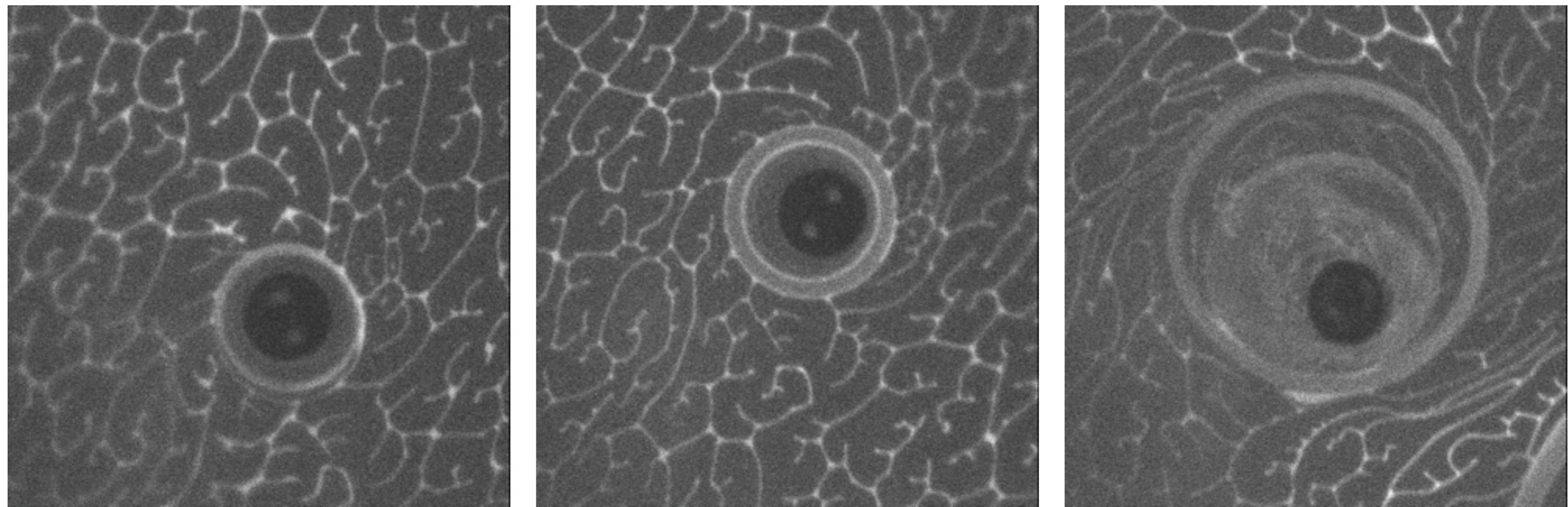
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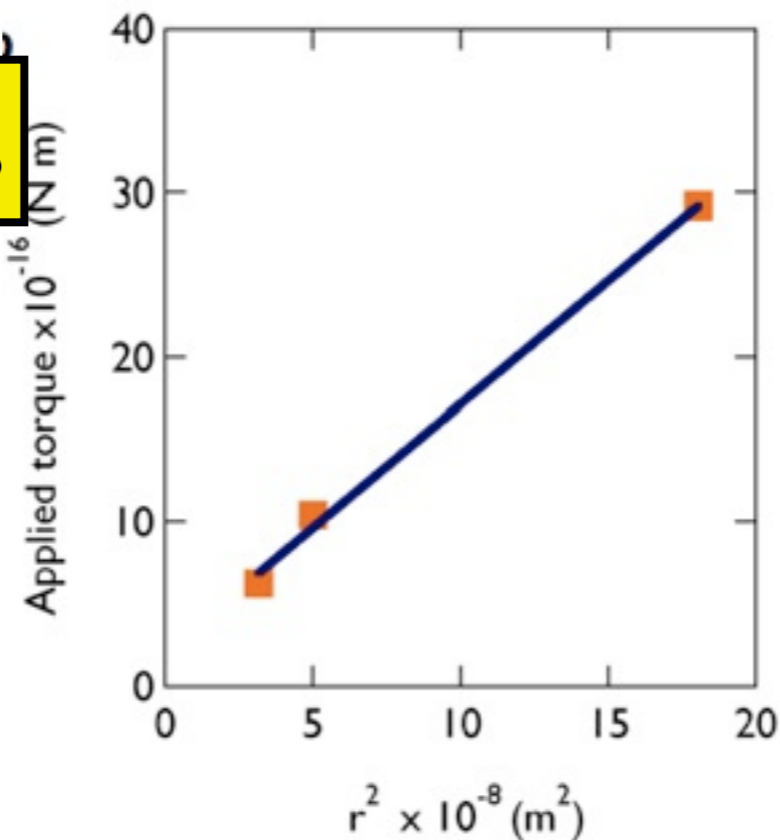


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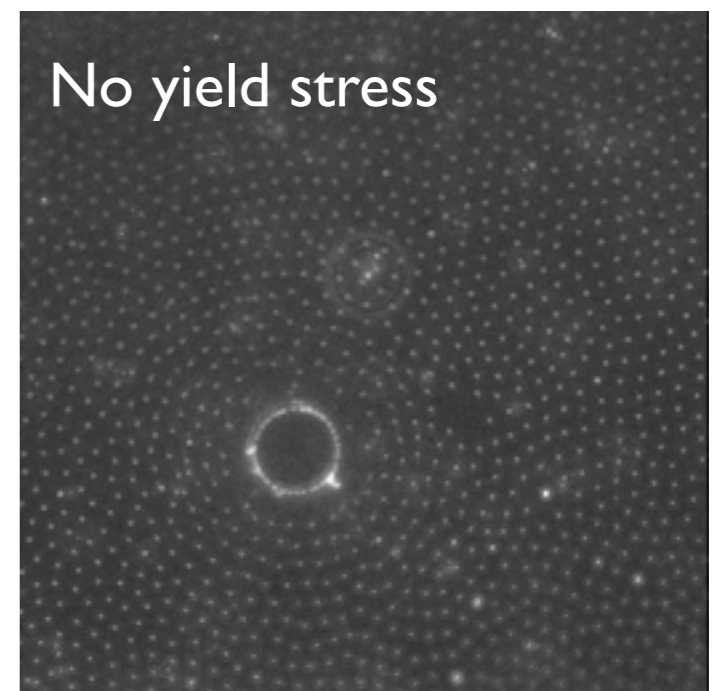
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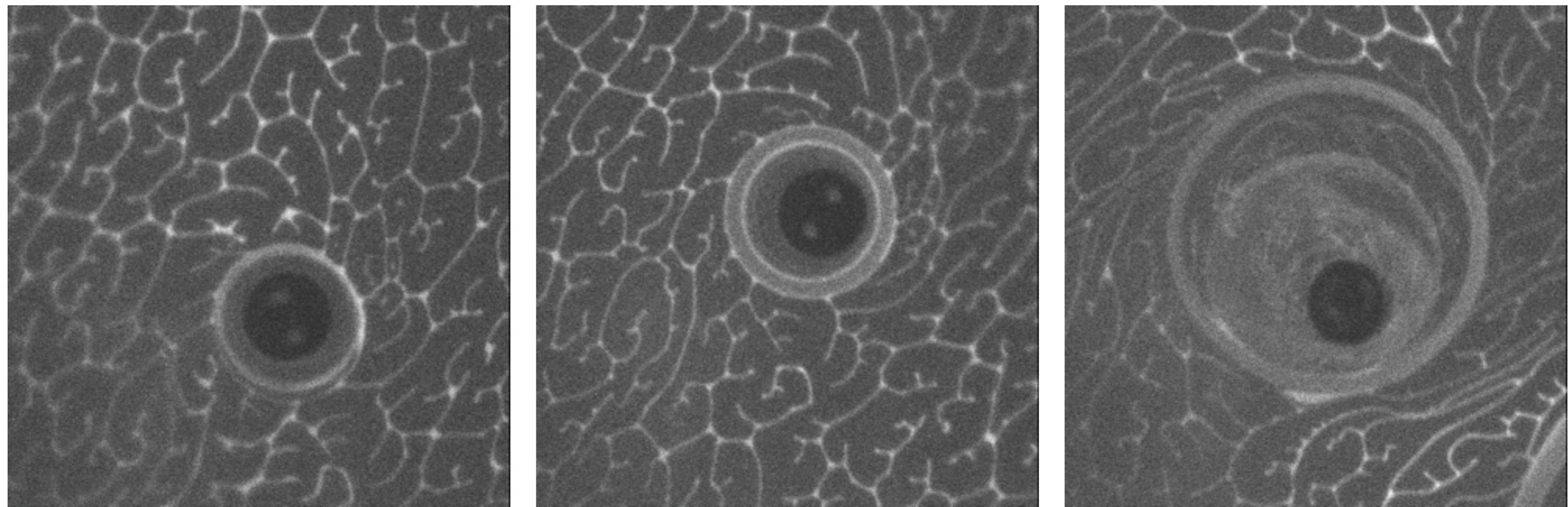


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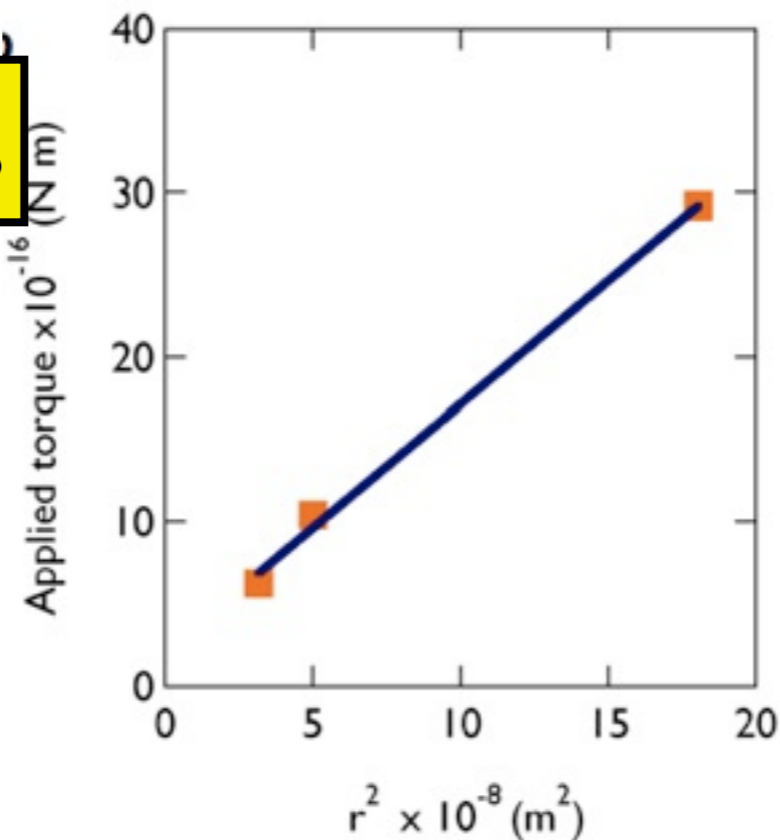


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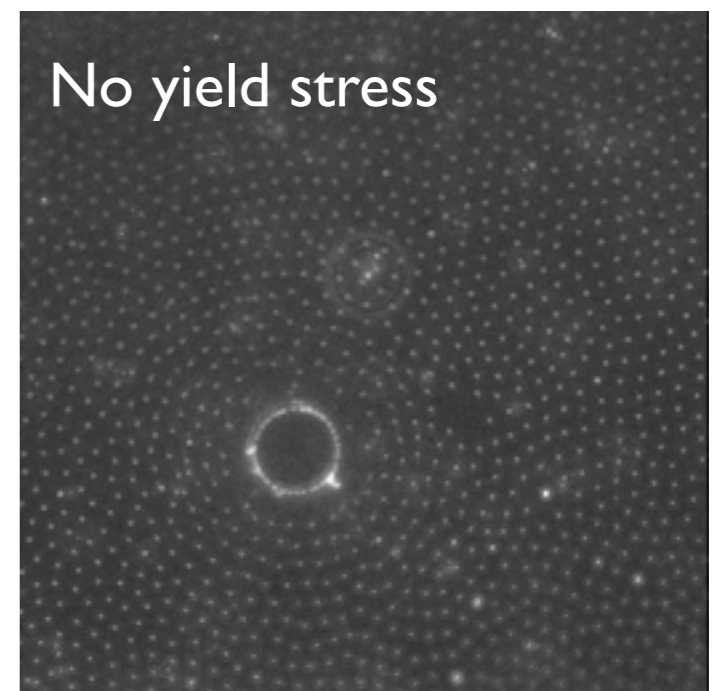
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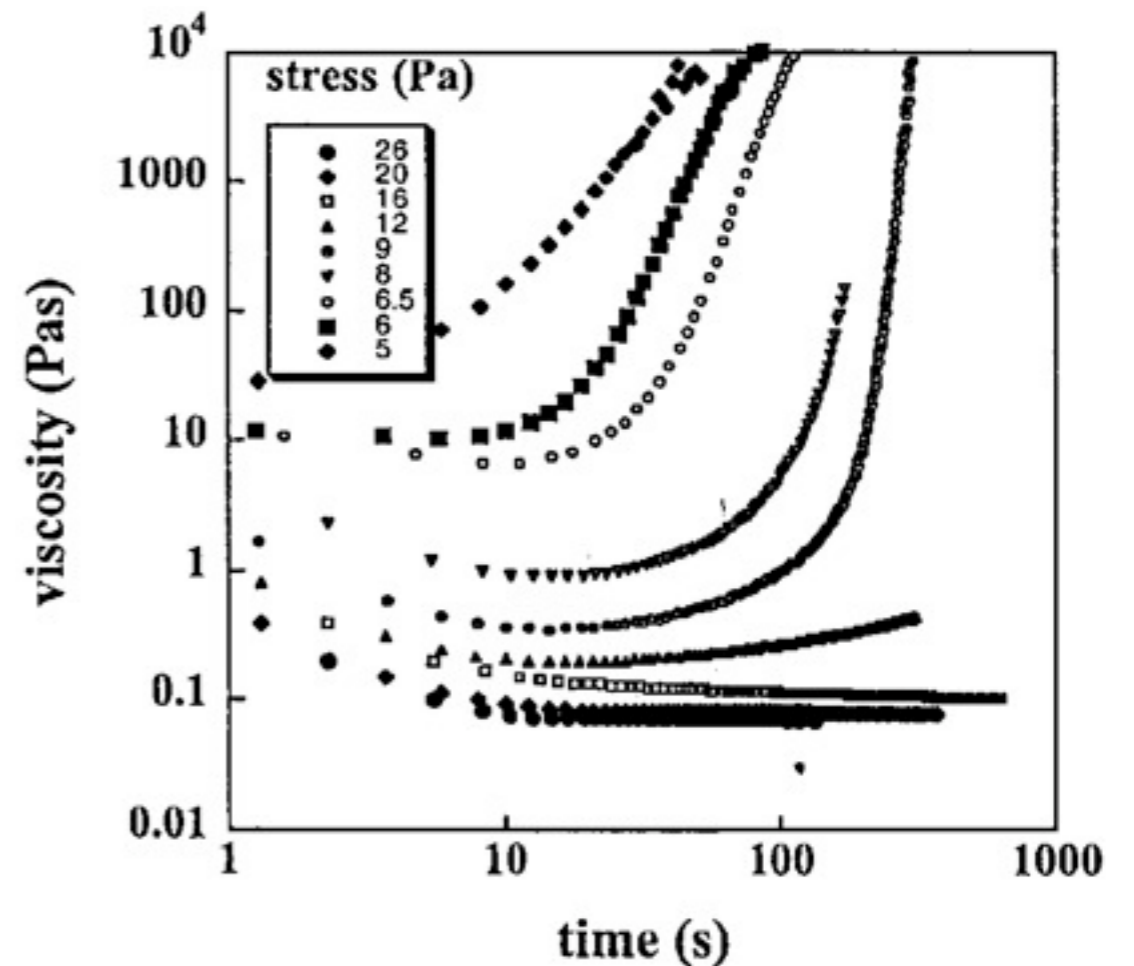
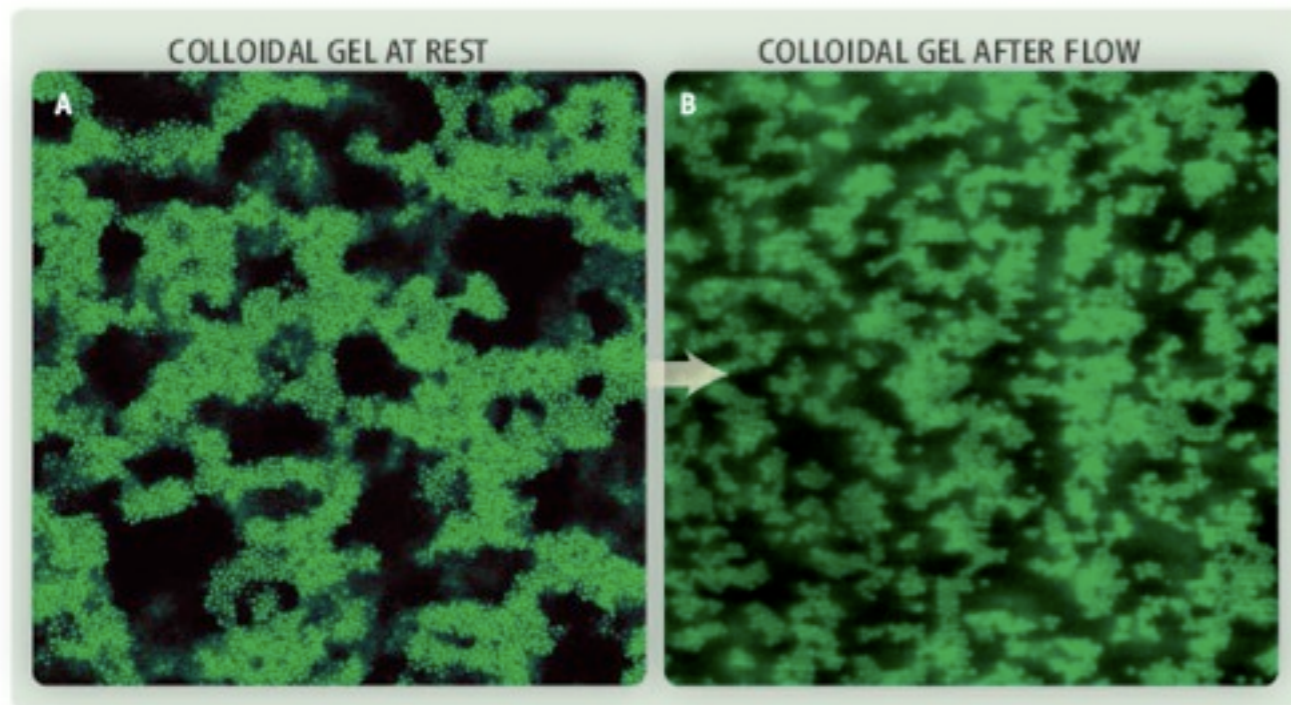


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# Yield stress

Thixotropic behavior  
(time dependent viscosity)



Theories and experiments by Daniel Bonn

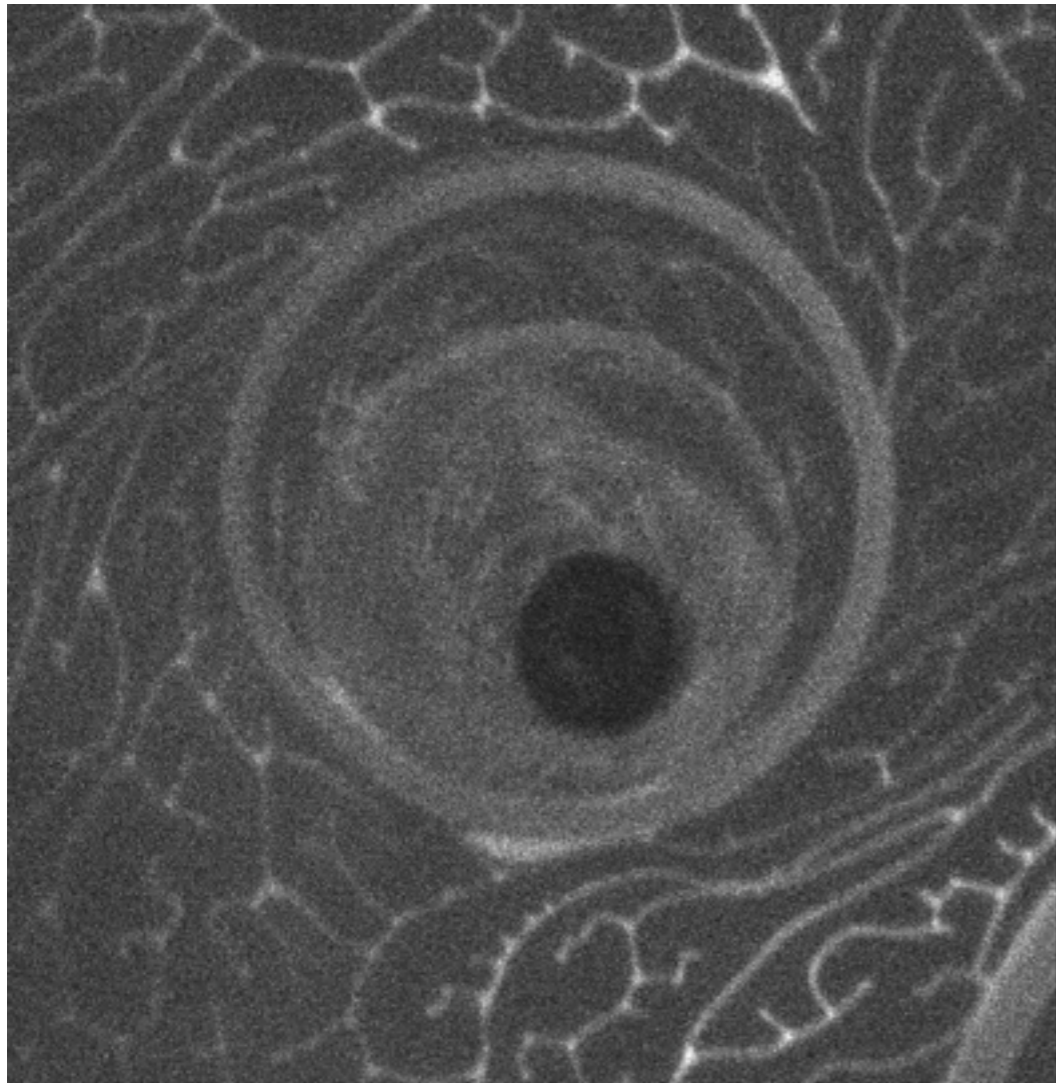
Aging (system) vs Rejuvenation (applied stress)

Can we do analogous experiments after yielding the interface?

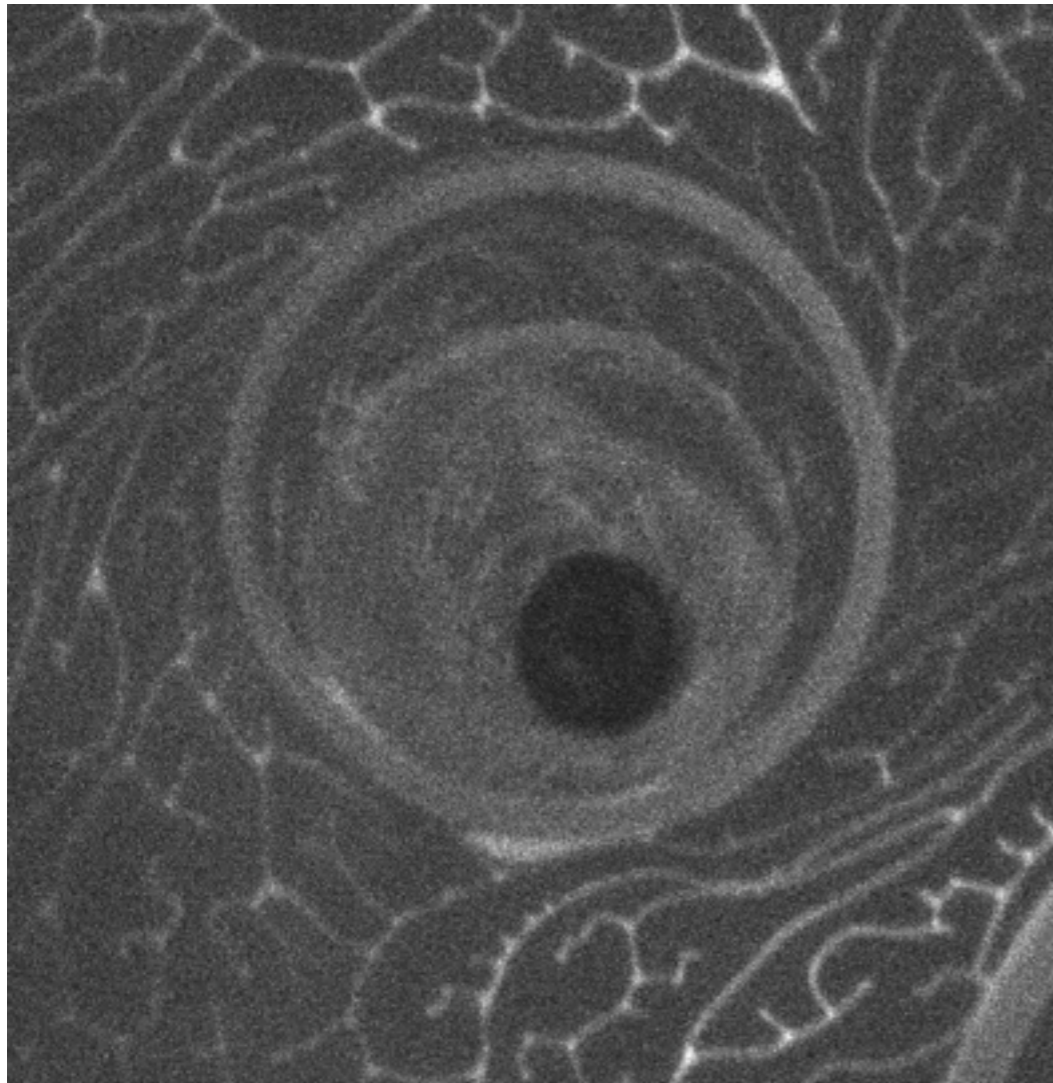


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We turn off the field

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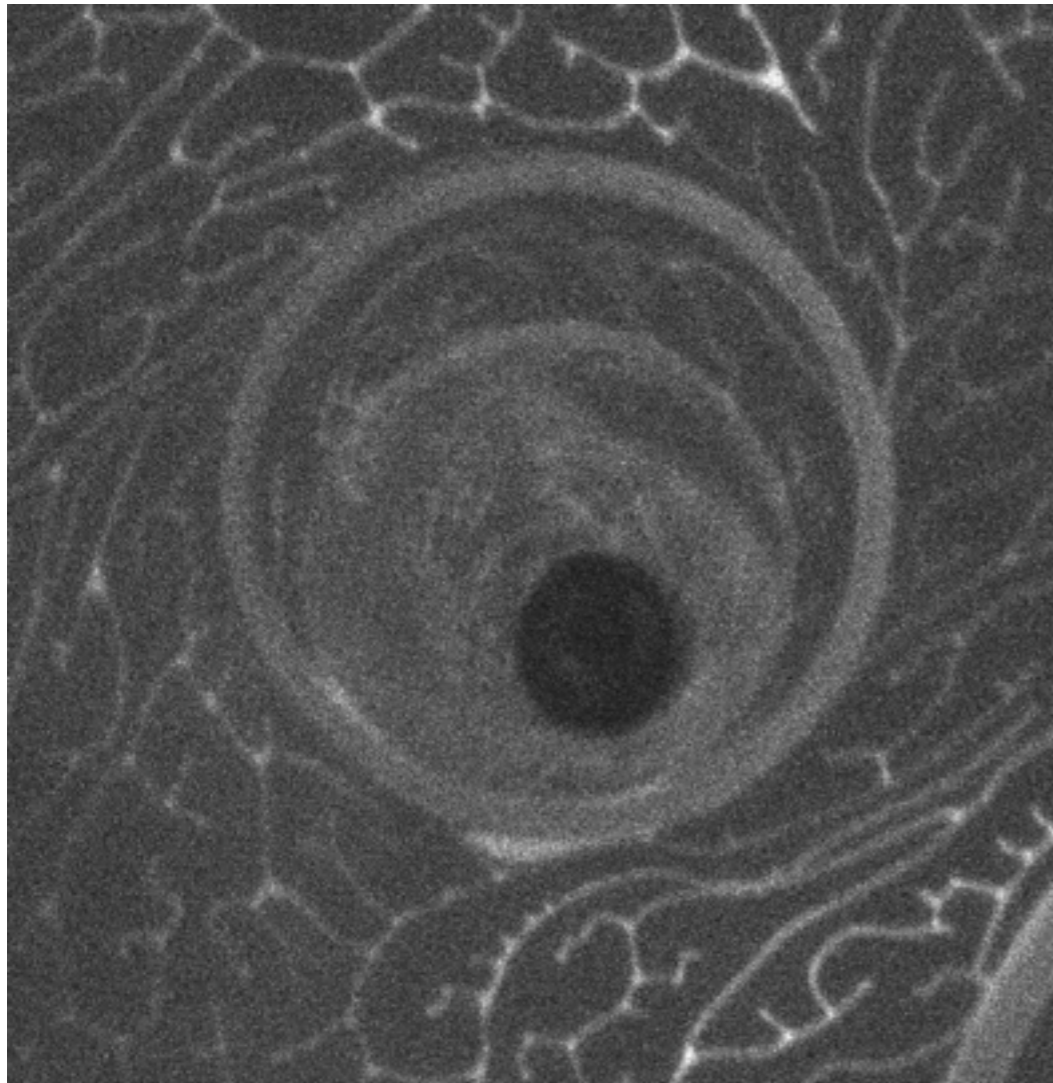


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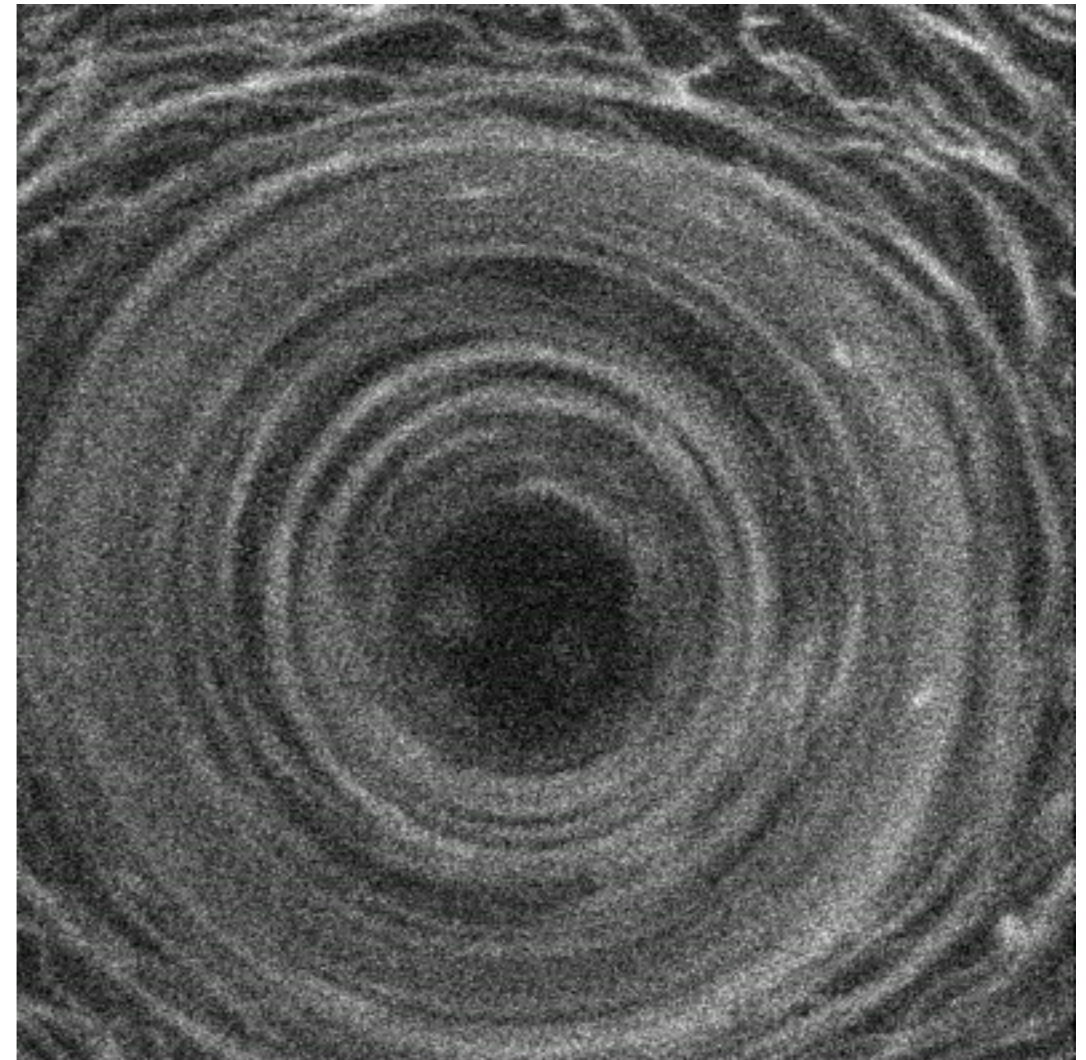




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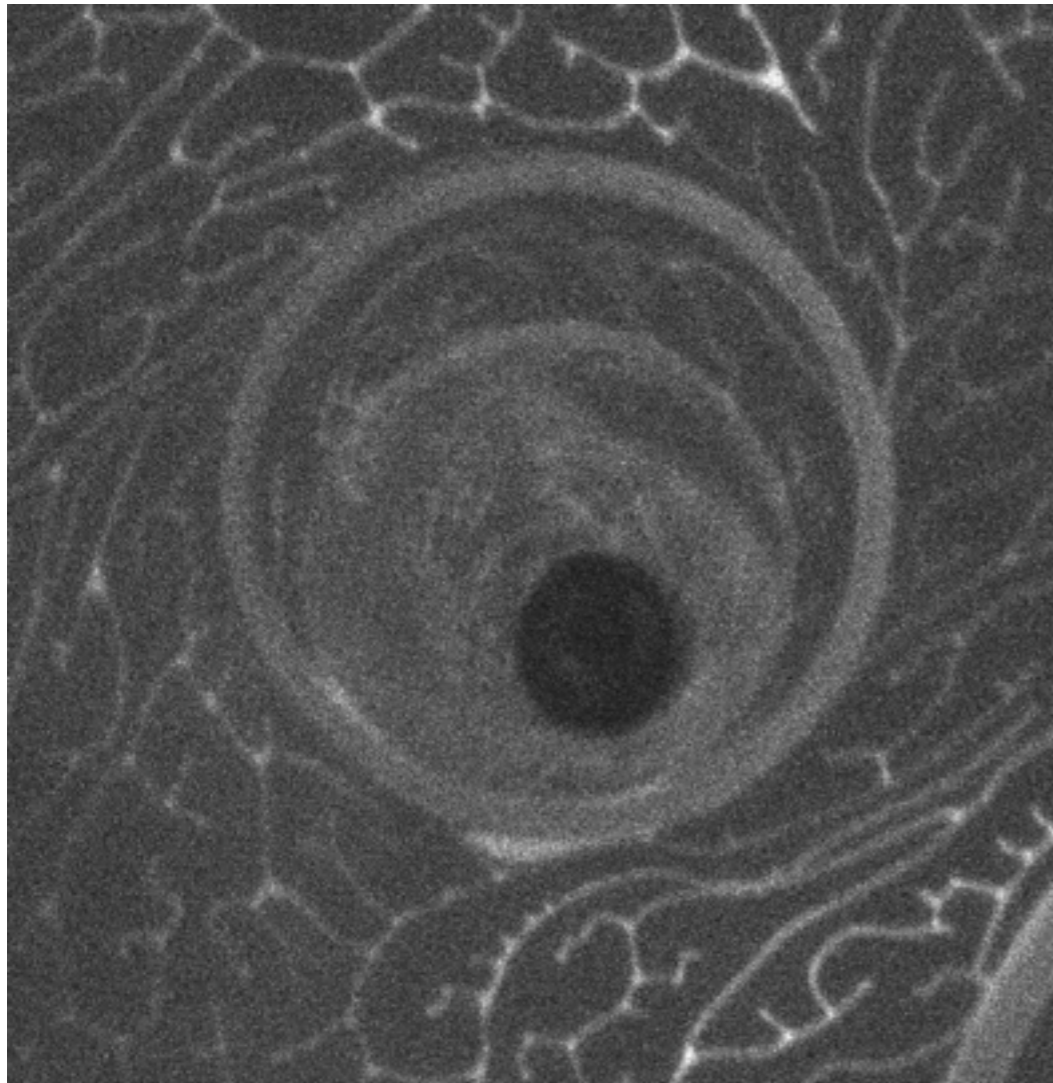
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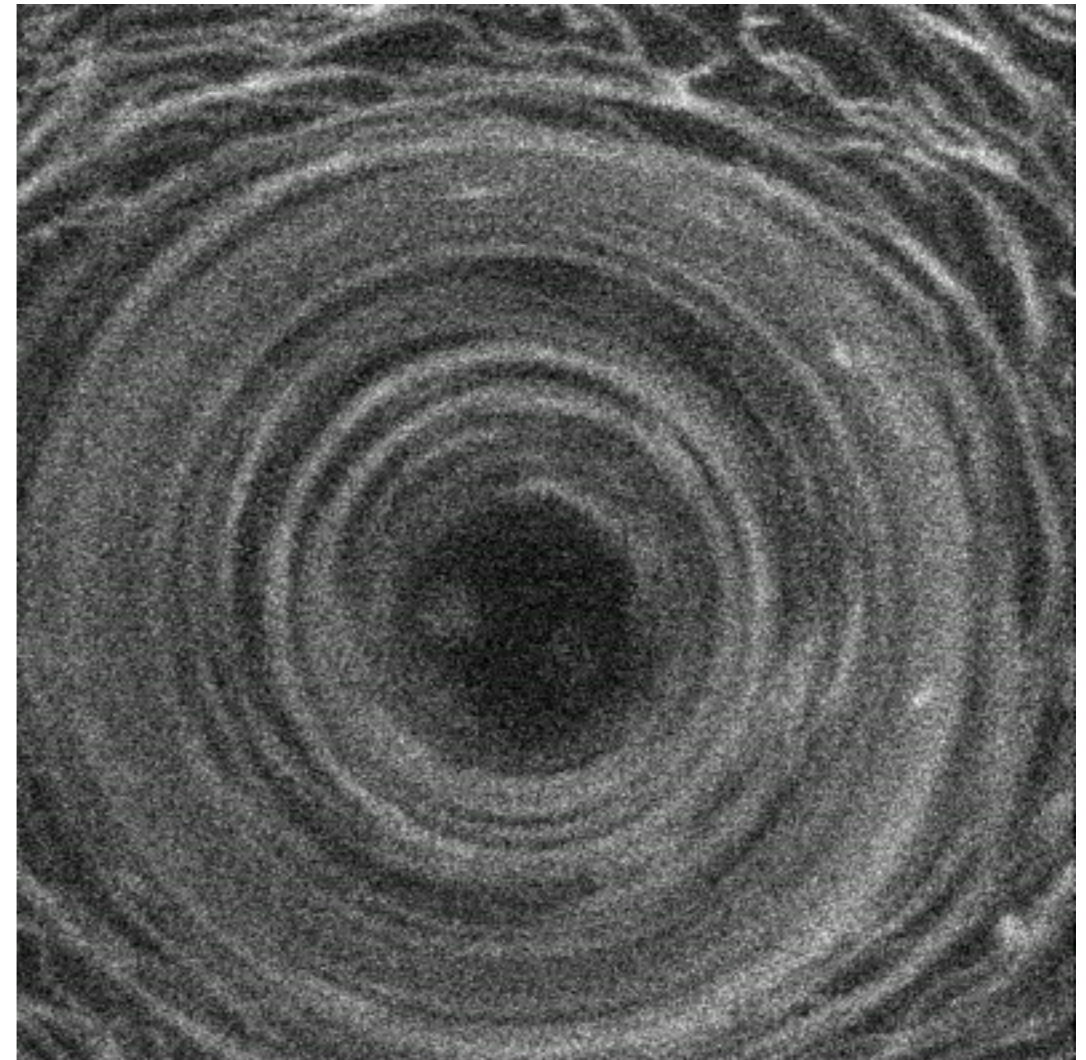
**25x real time**  
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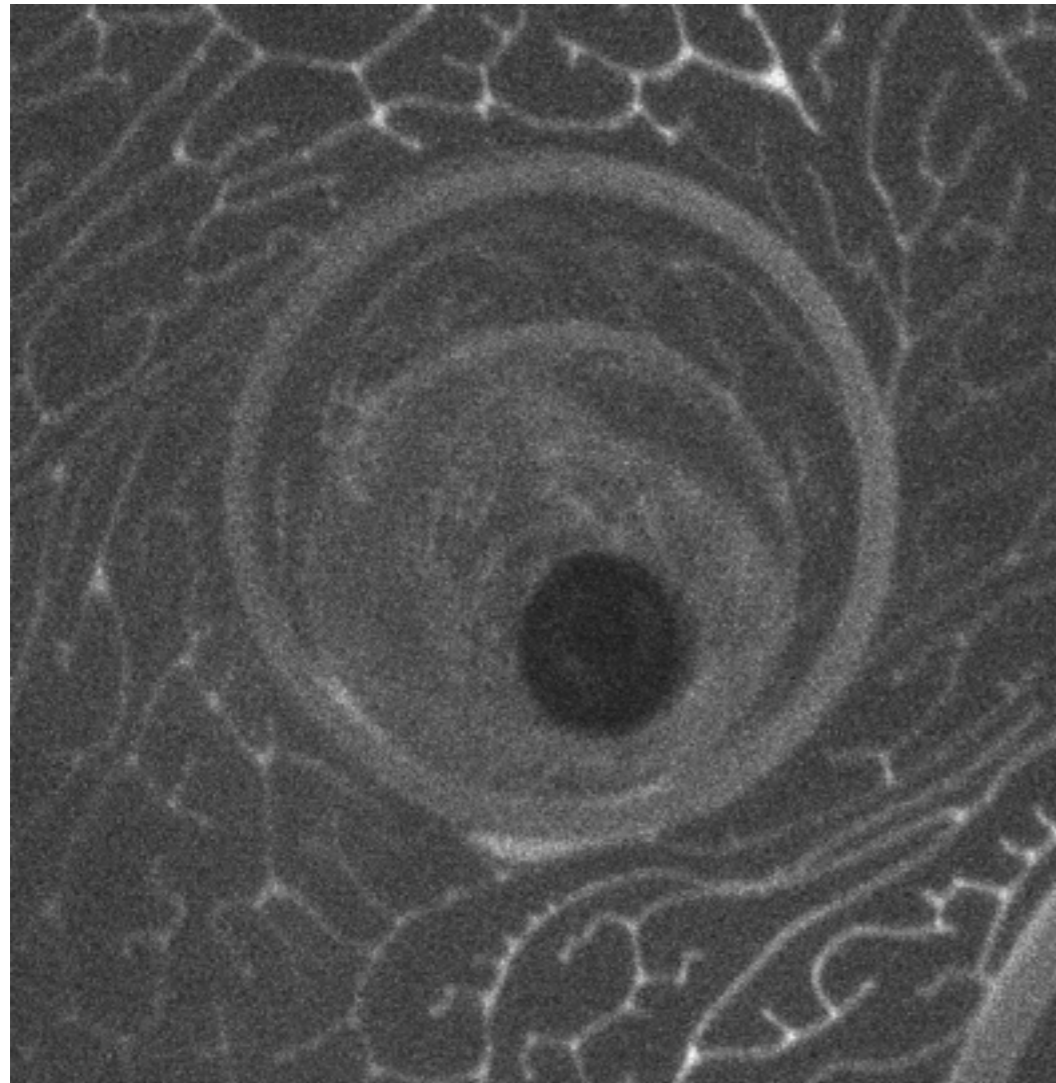
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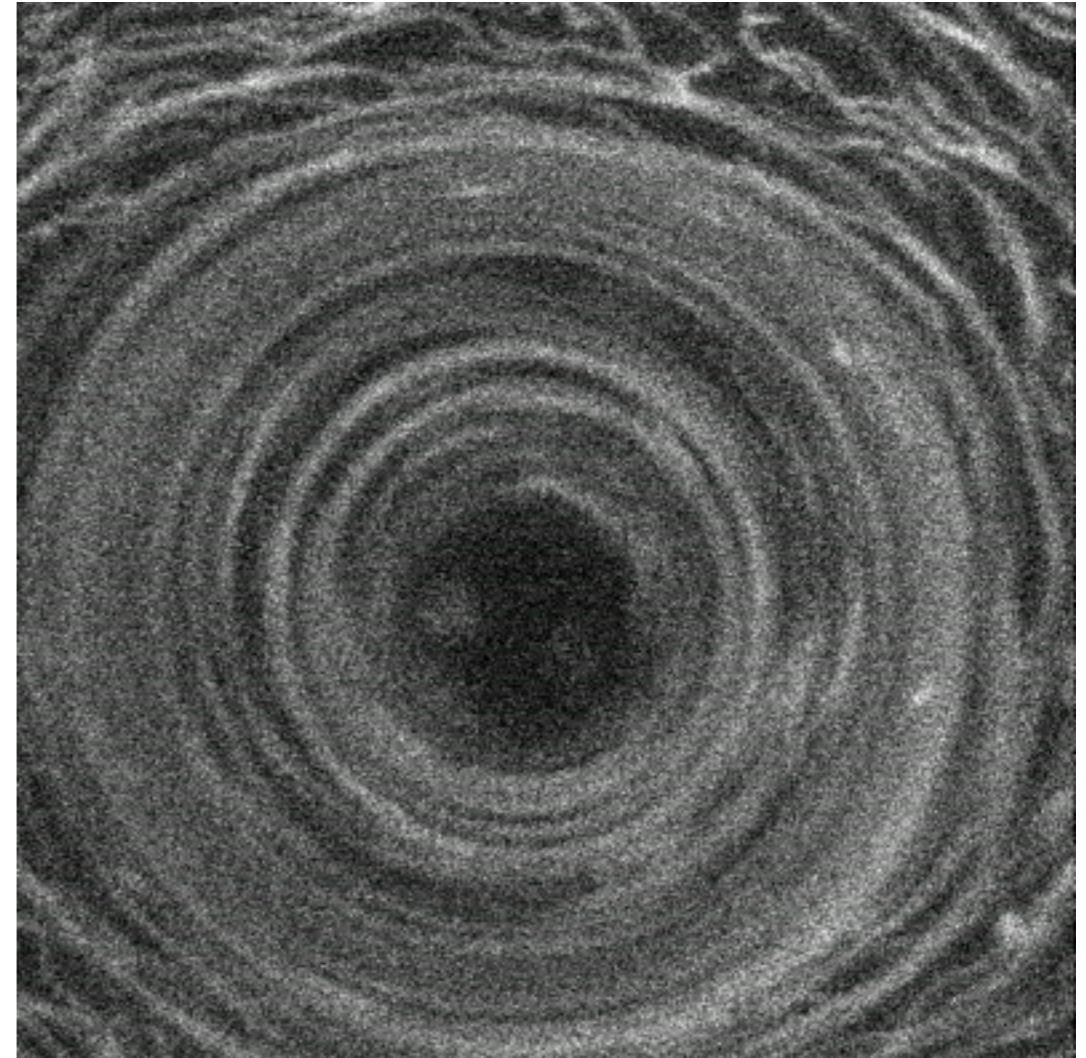
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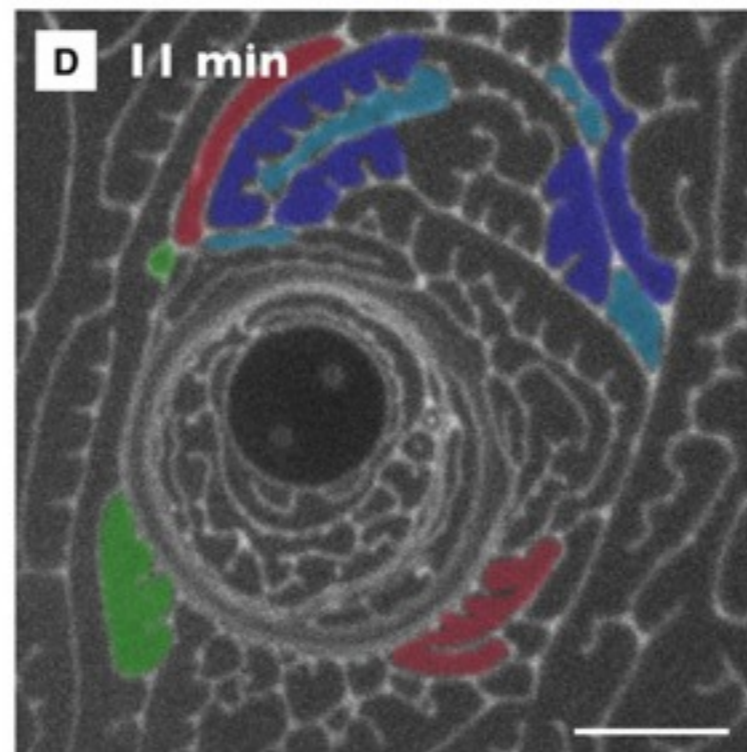
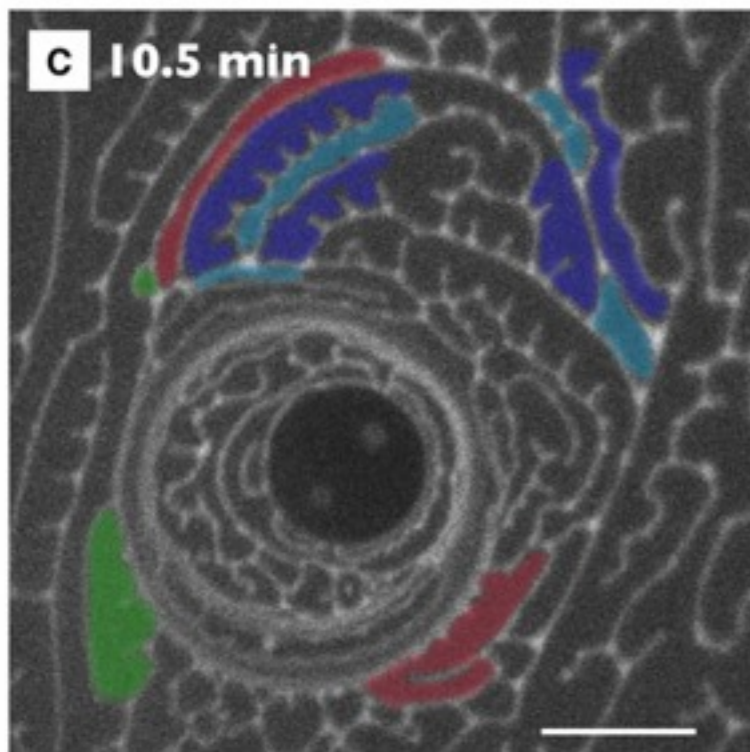
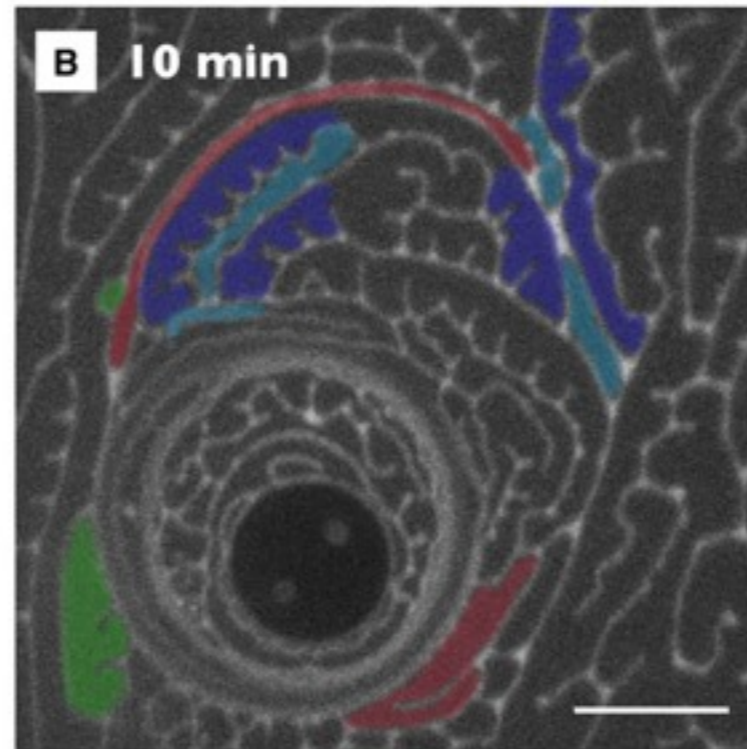
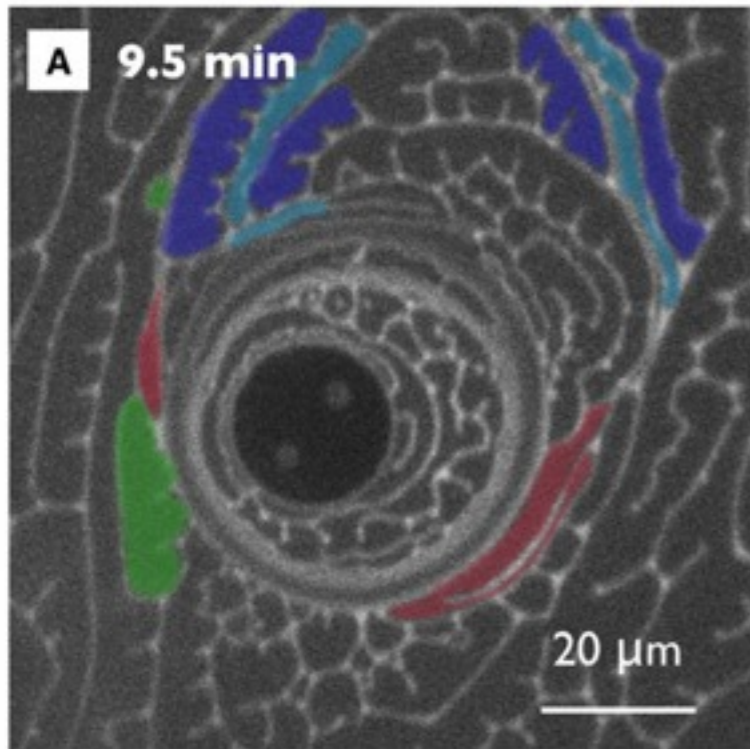


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***Strong memory***  
***Slow recovery***



# Watching individual domains

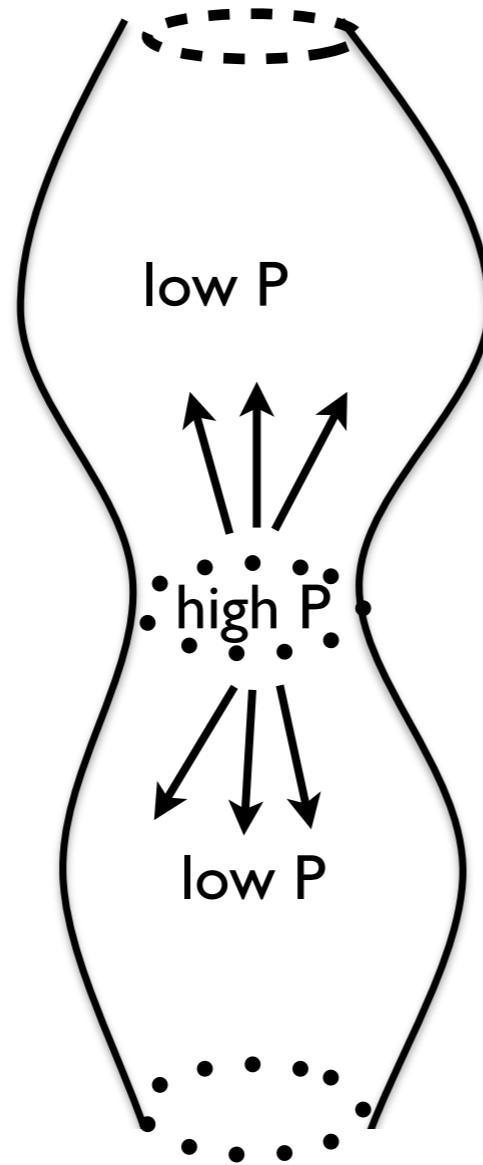


Blue - T I transition  
Red - recoiling  
Green - change  
its neighbor

**Domains don't melt - they stretch!**

# Rayleigh - Plateau instability

3D

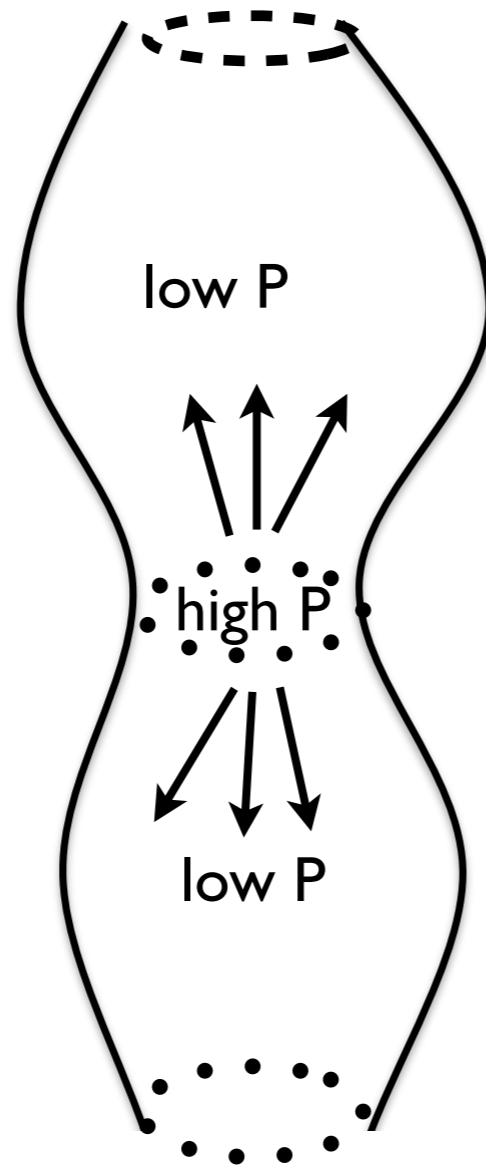




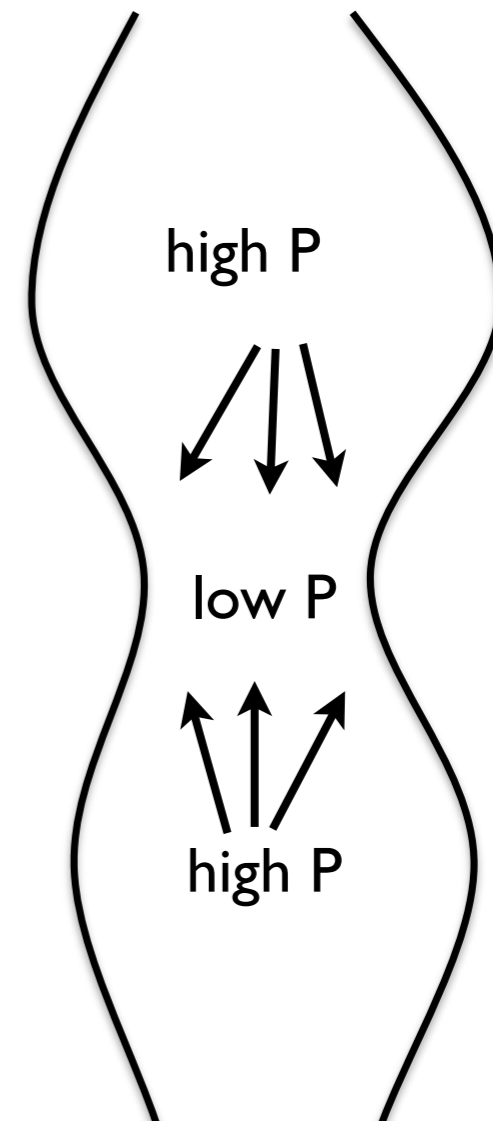
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2D

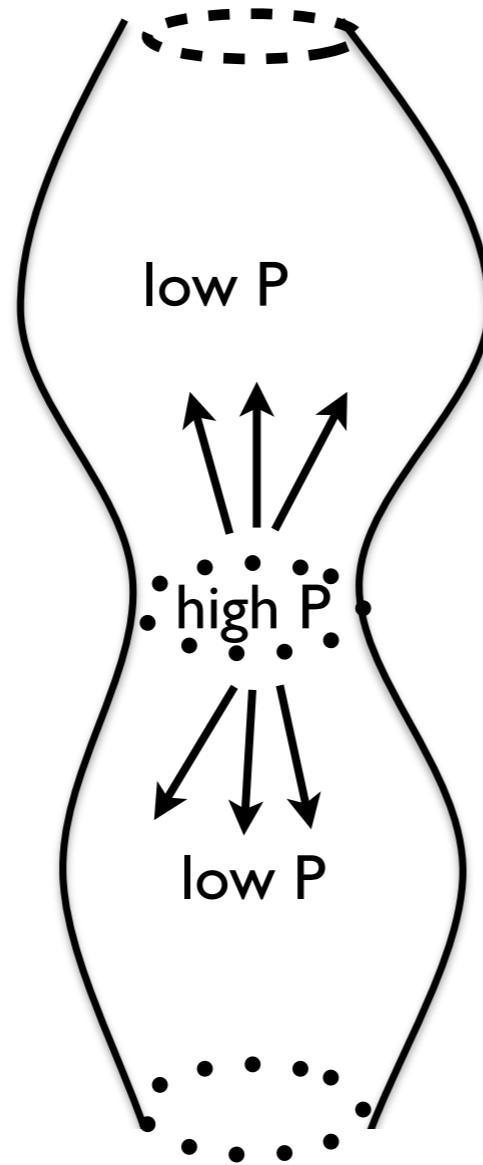


Always stable without fluctuation or defects

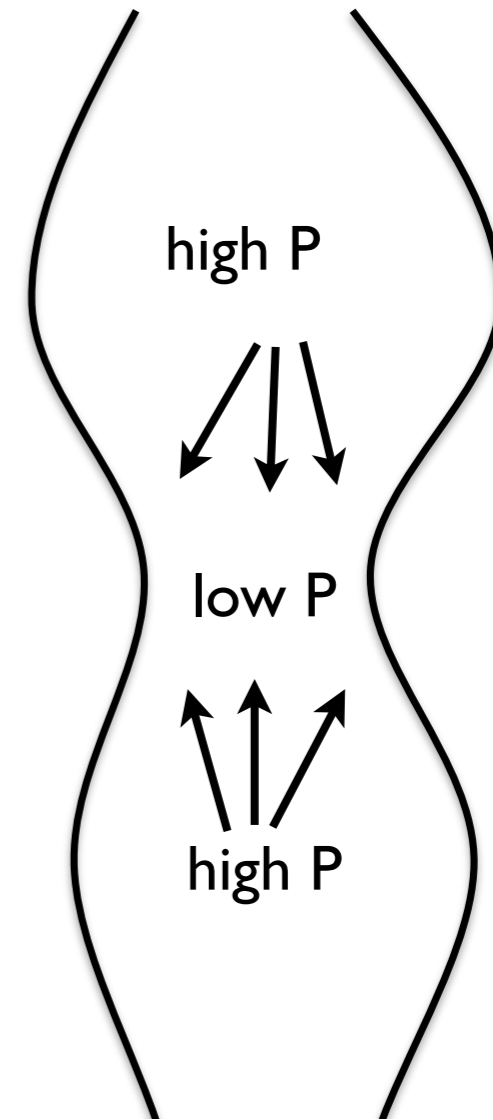
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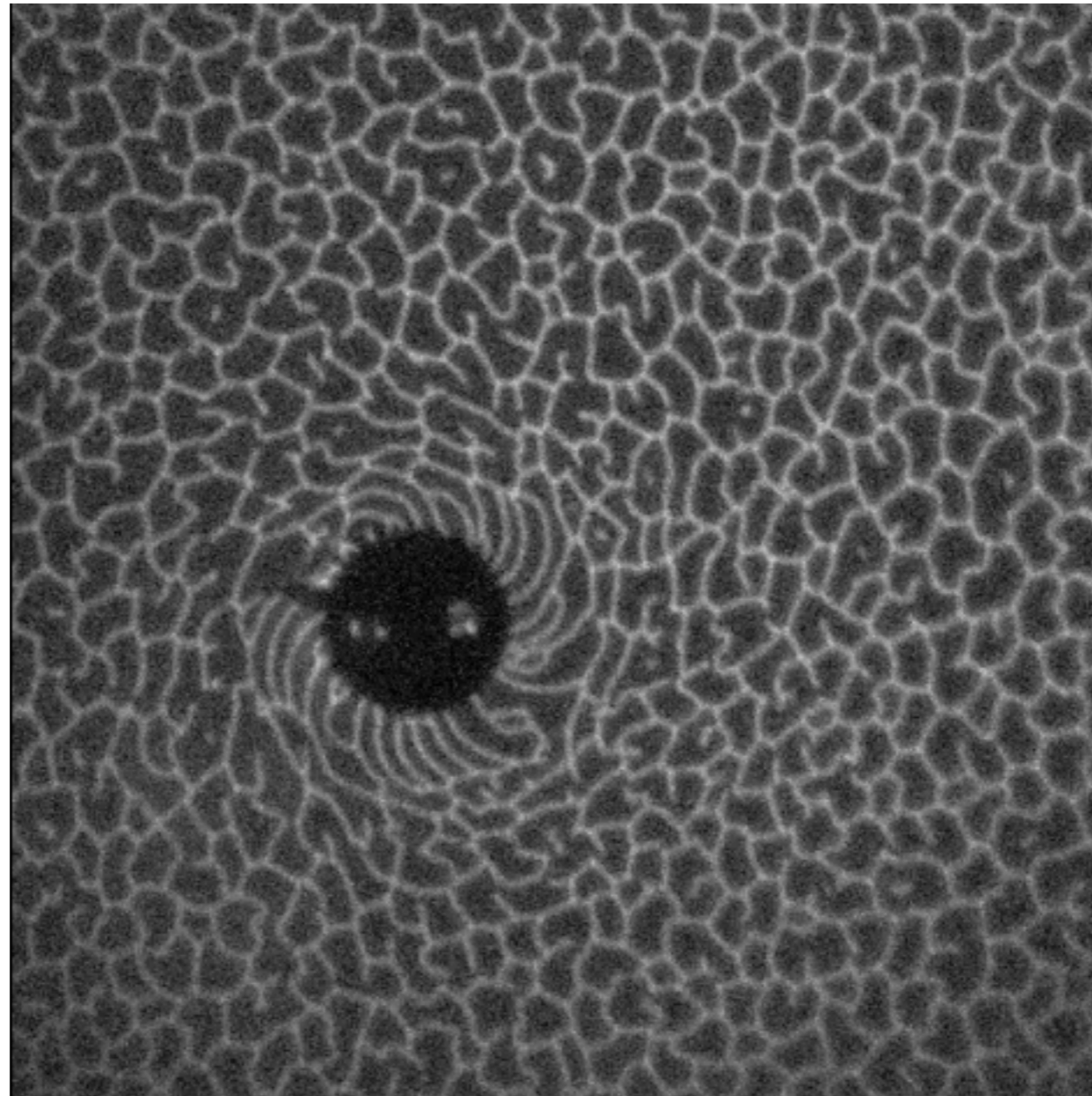
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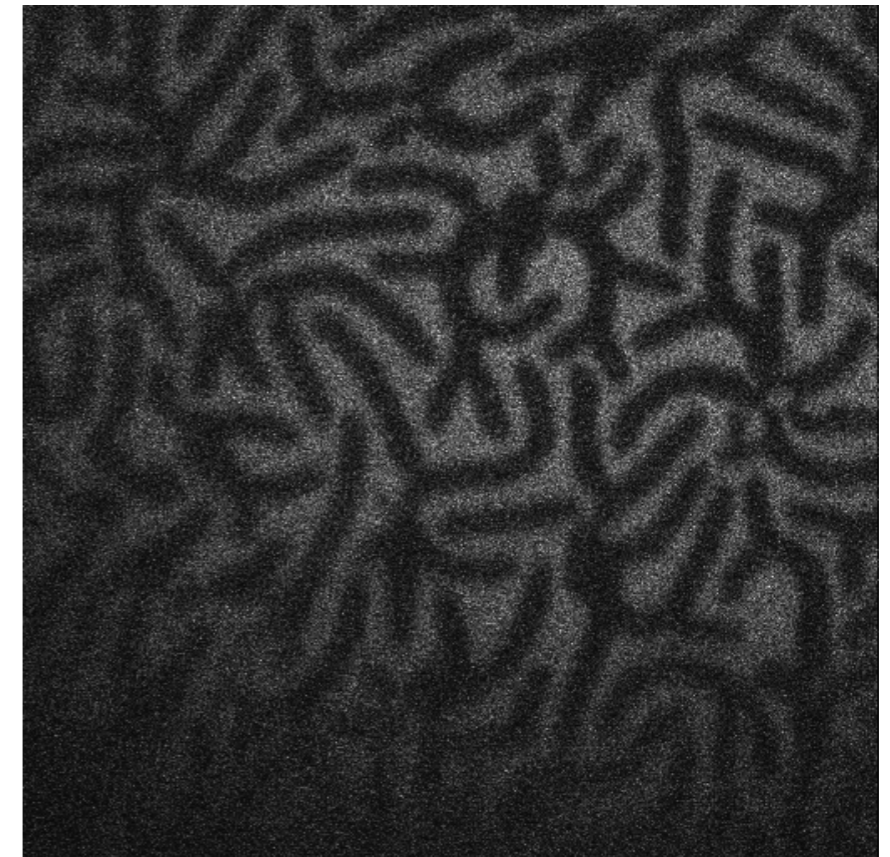
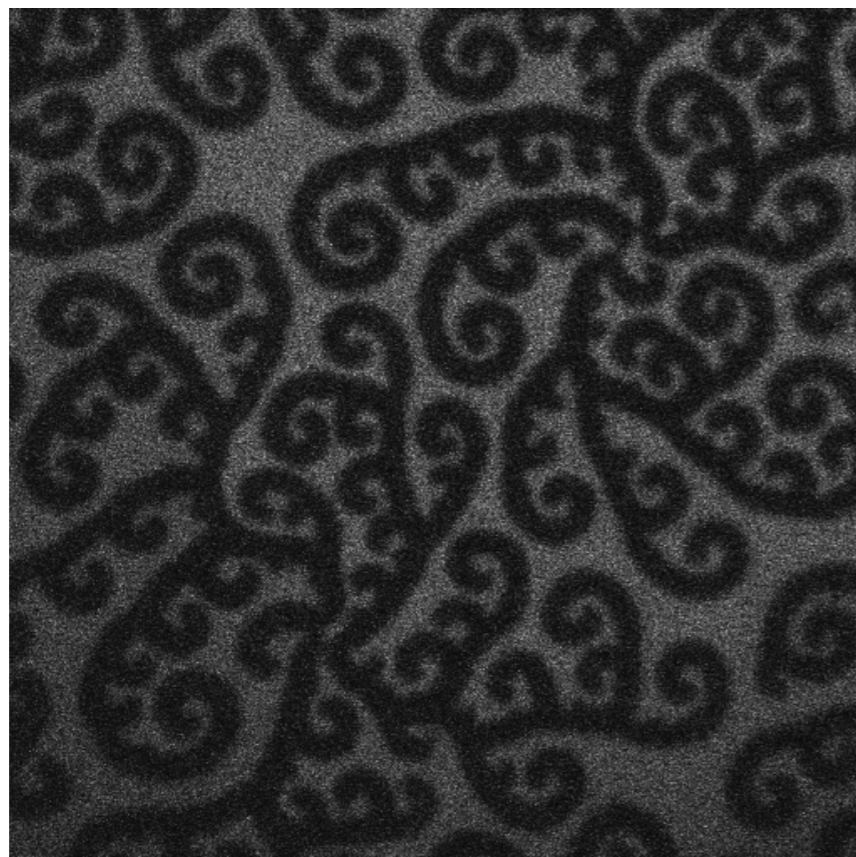
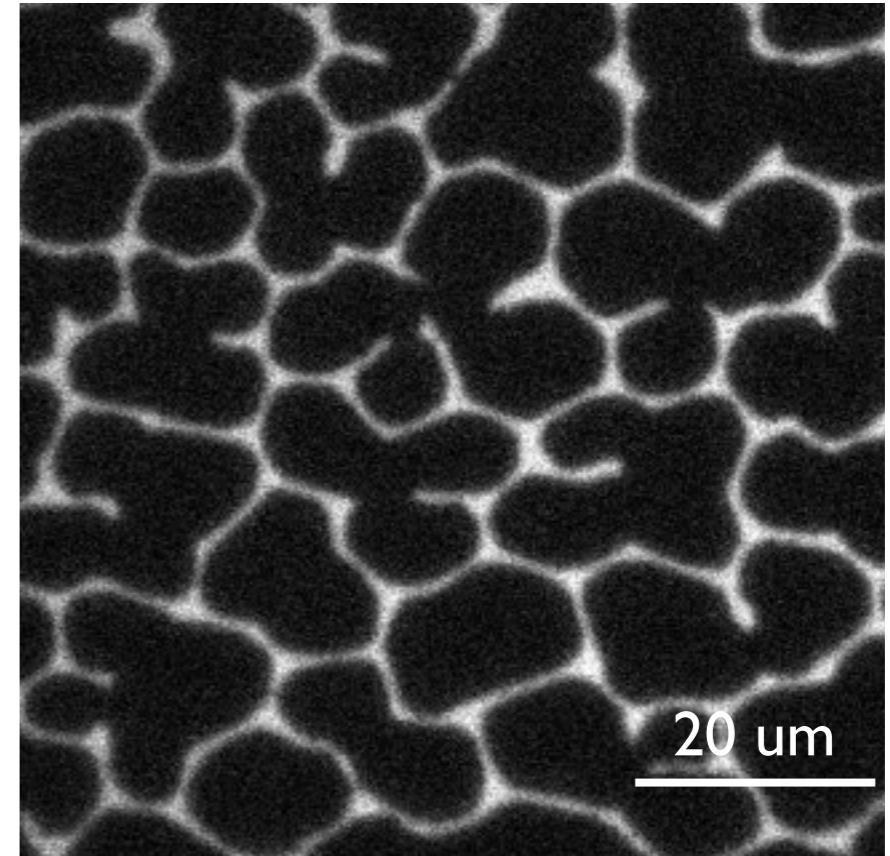
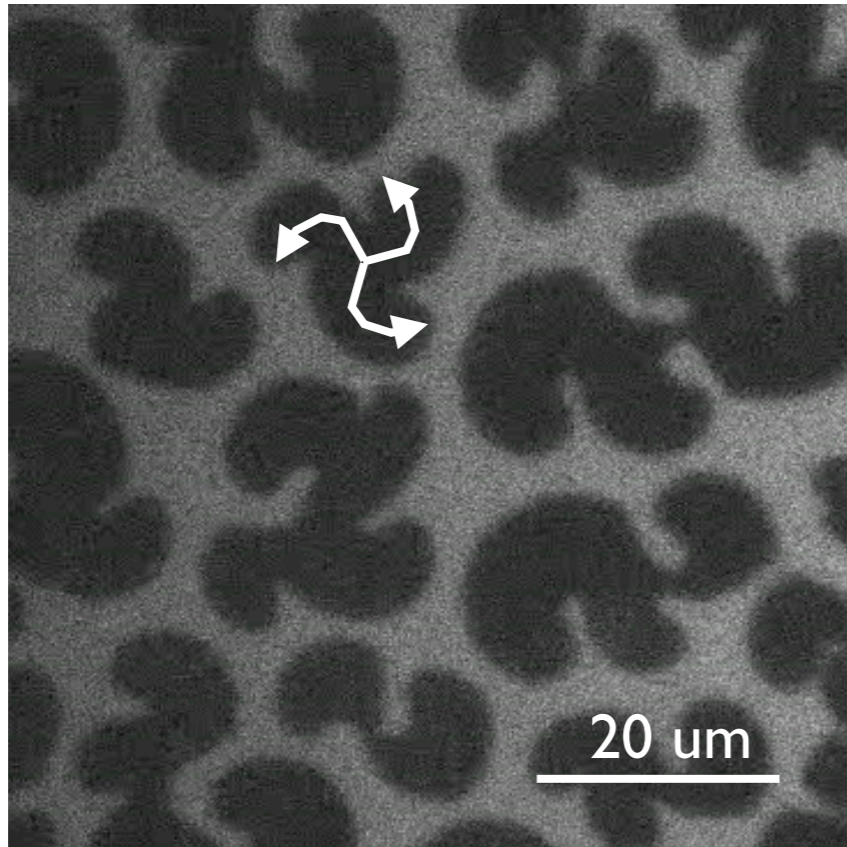
No Rayleigh-Plateau instability for 2D

# Asymmetric stress response





# Chirality of DPPC





# Conclusion

- Direct visualization of individual DPPC domains under stress
- Shear banding, yield stress, history dependence and aging
- 2D Soft glassy materials - 2D high internal phase emulsions

