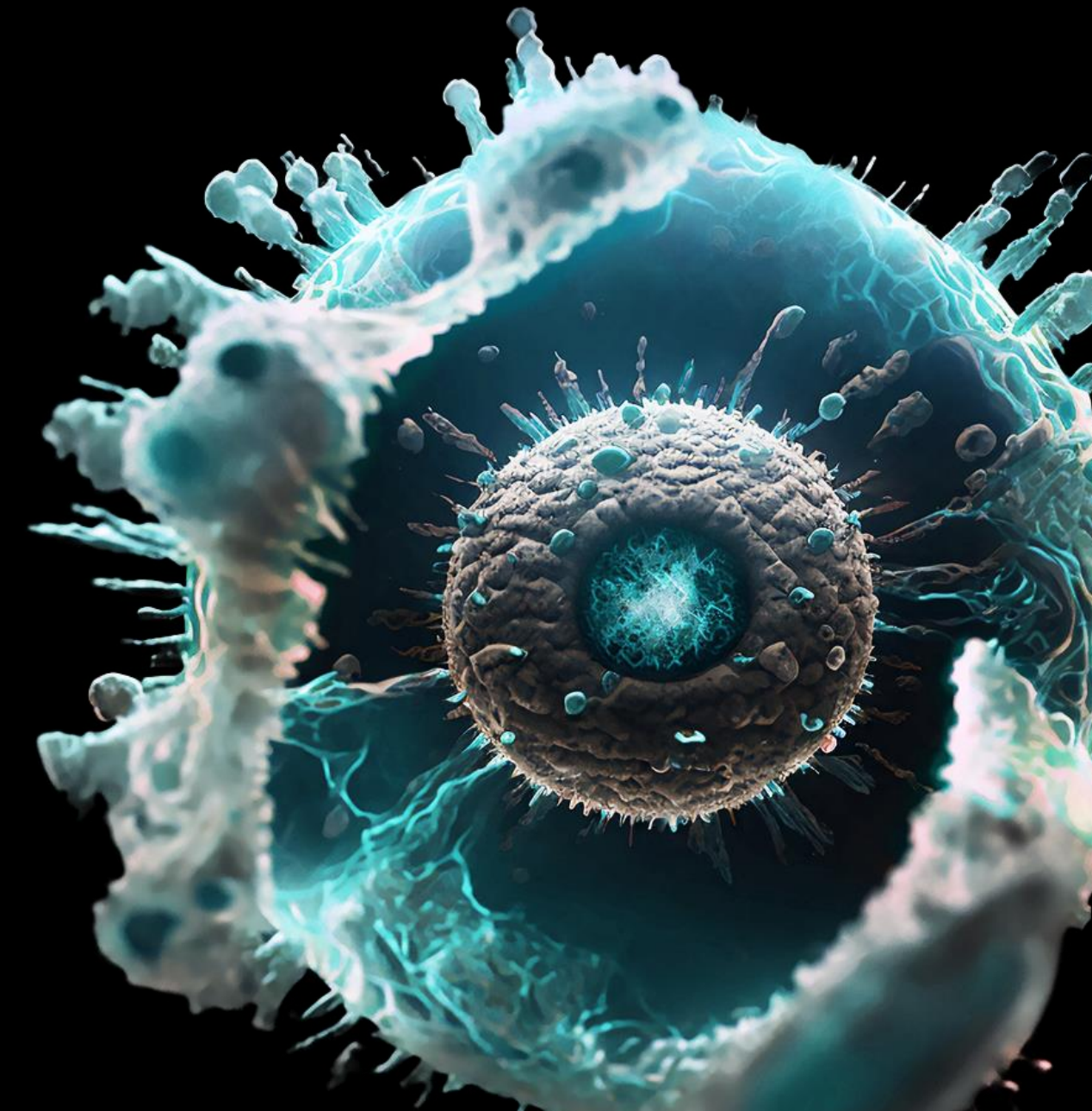
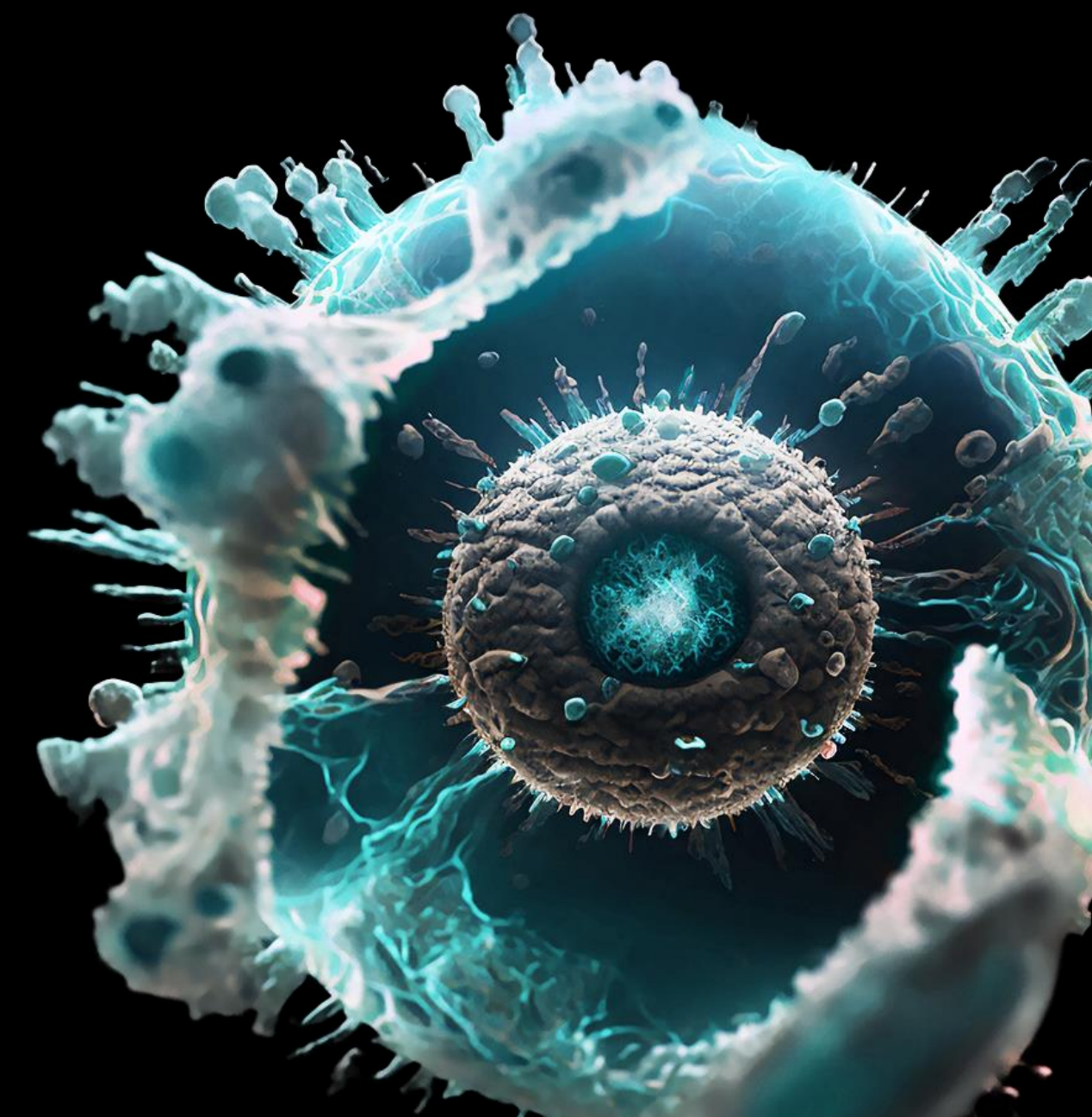




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Erinnerst du dich an Star Trek?
Traktorstrahl

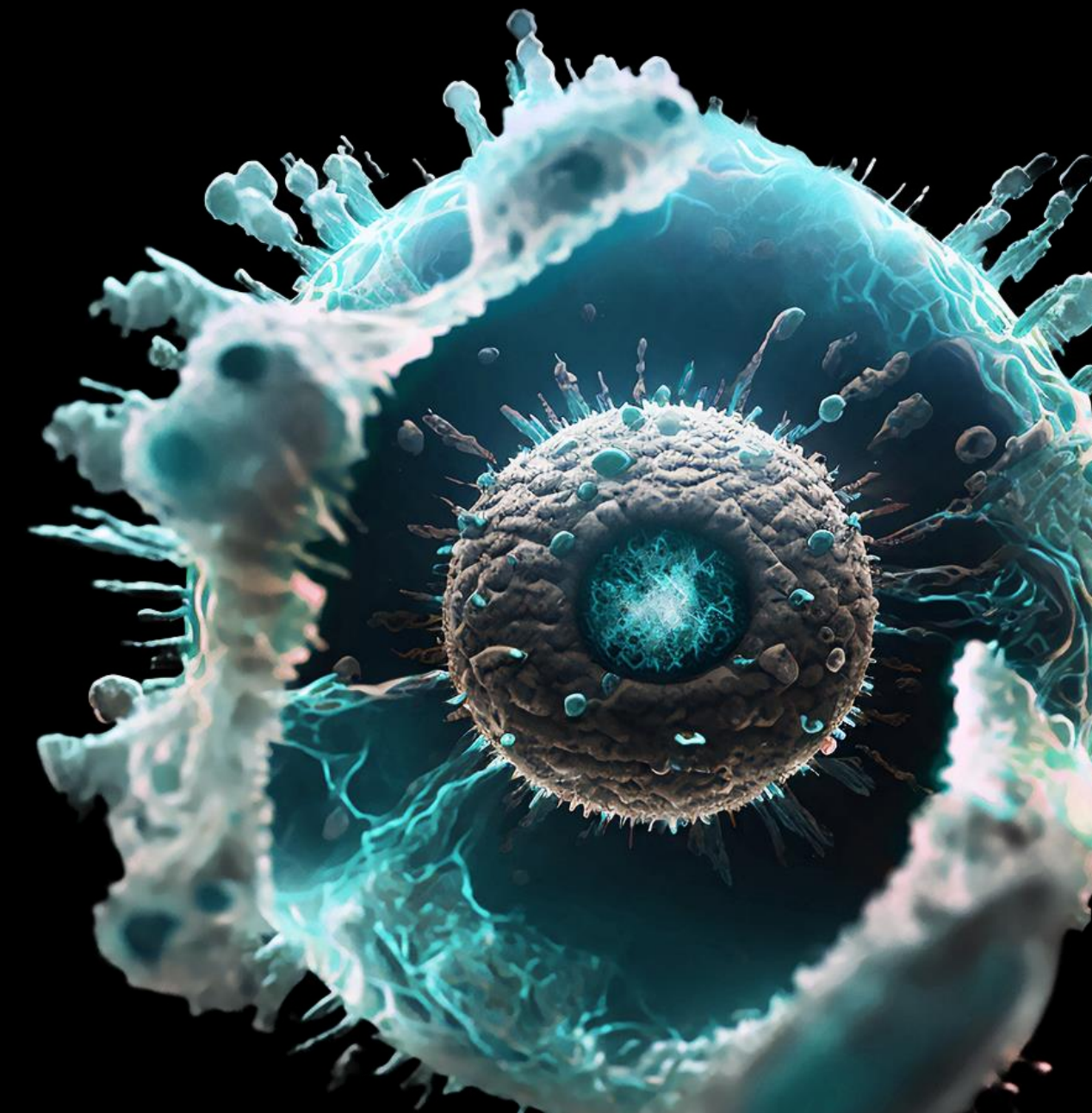


...mit Traktorstrahlen kann man
(nano)Partikeln messen...



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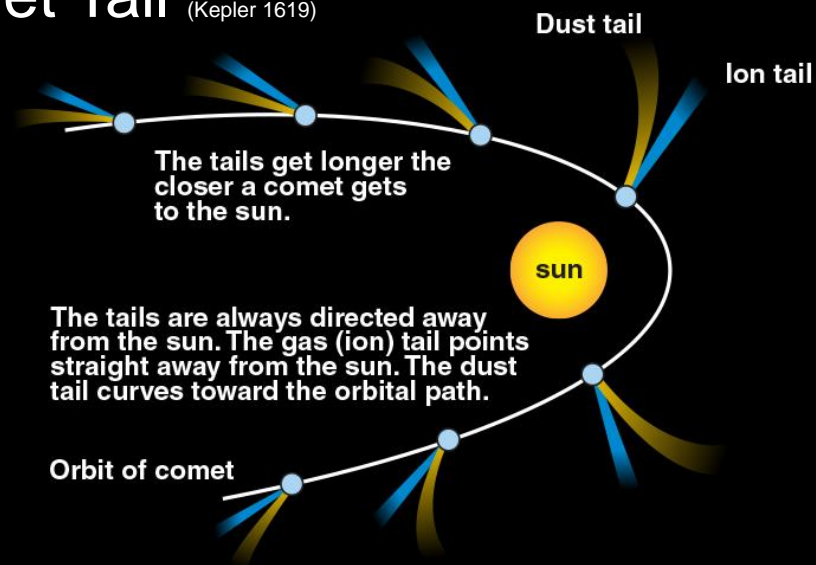
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Die Entdeckung der optische Kräfte

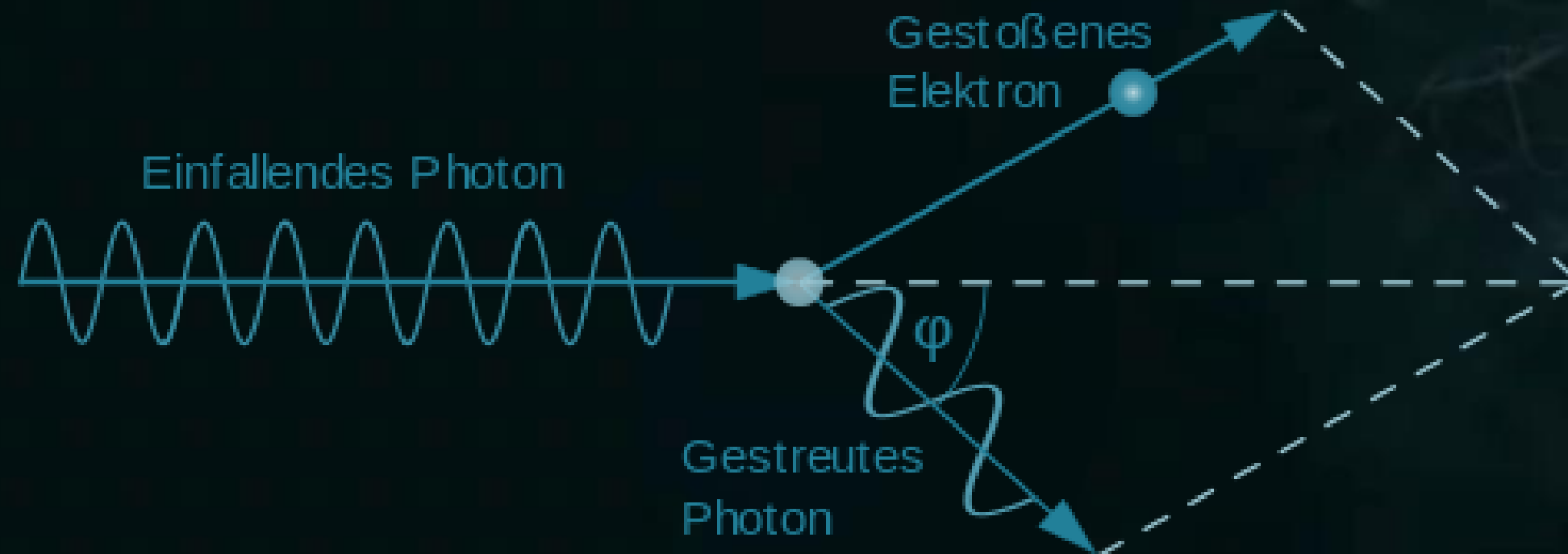
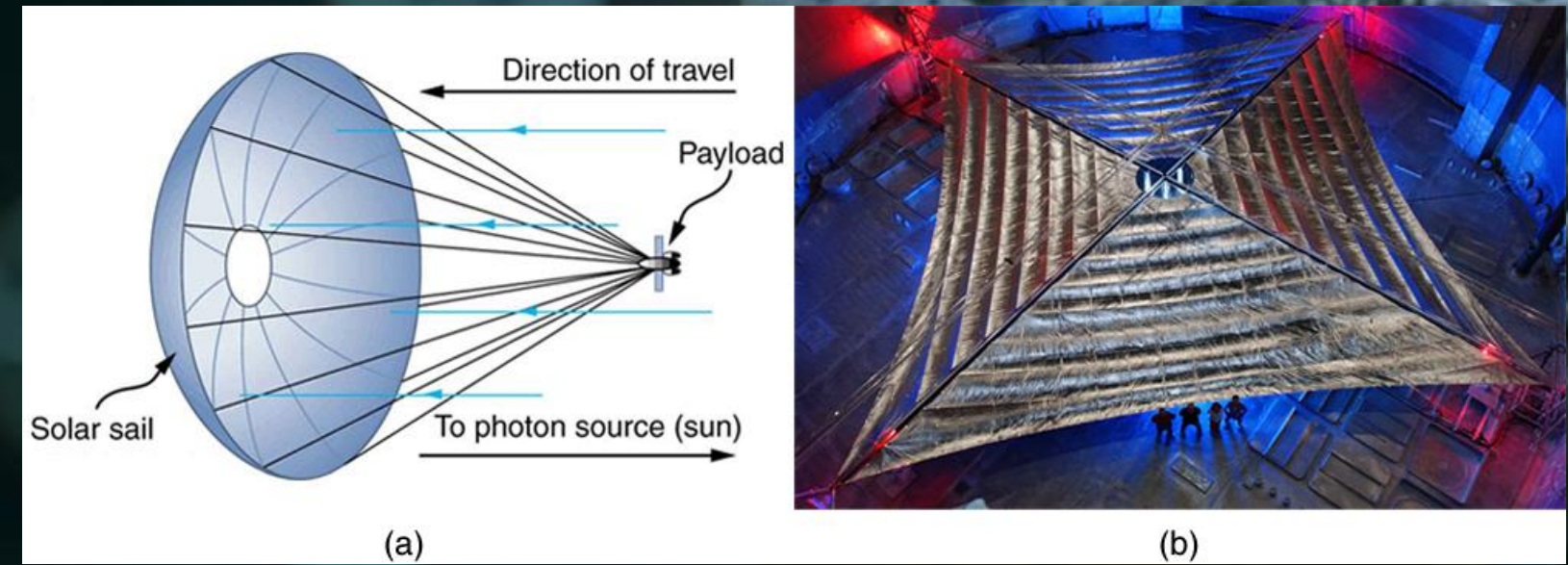
Comet Tail

(Kepler 1619)

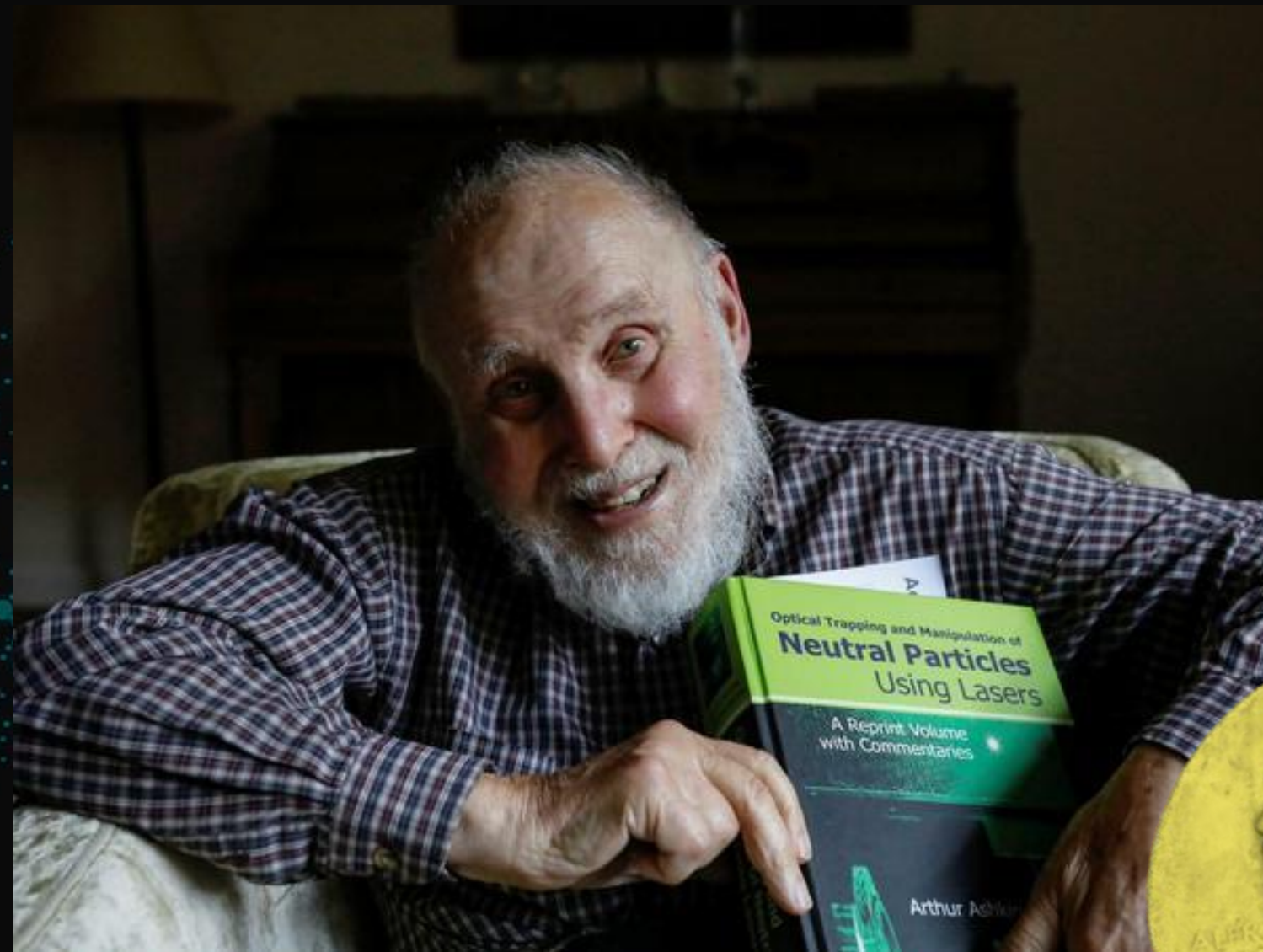


Solar sail

(Cosmos1) 2005



Laserphysics – Optische Kräfte ...



Arthur Ashkin (born September 2, 1922)



NOBEL PRICE 2018 PHYSICS
Ashkin et al.

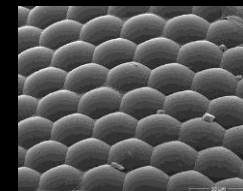
Optische Pinzetten: Größenbereich



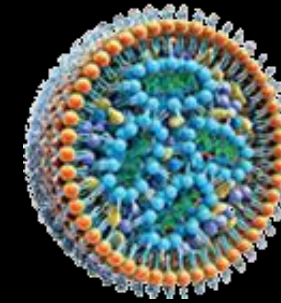
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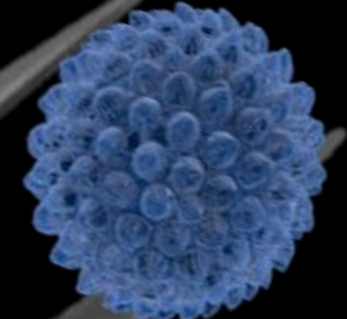
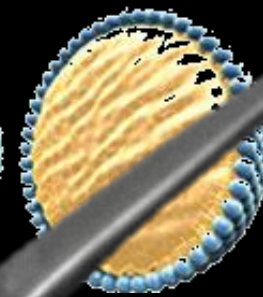
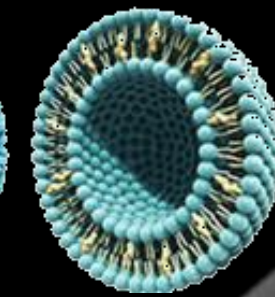
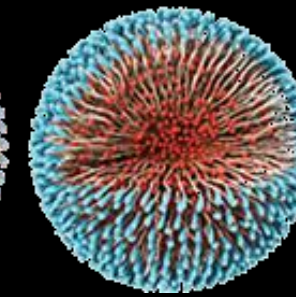
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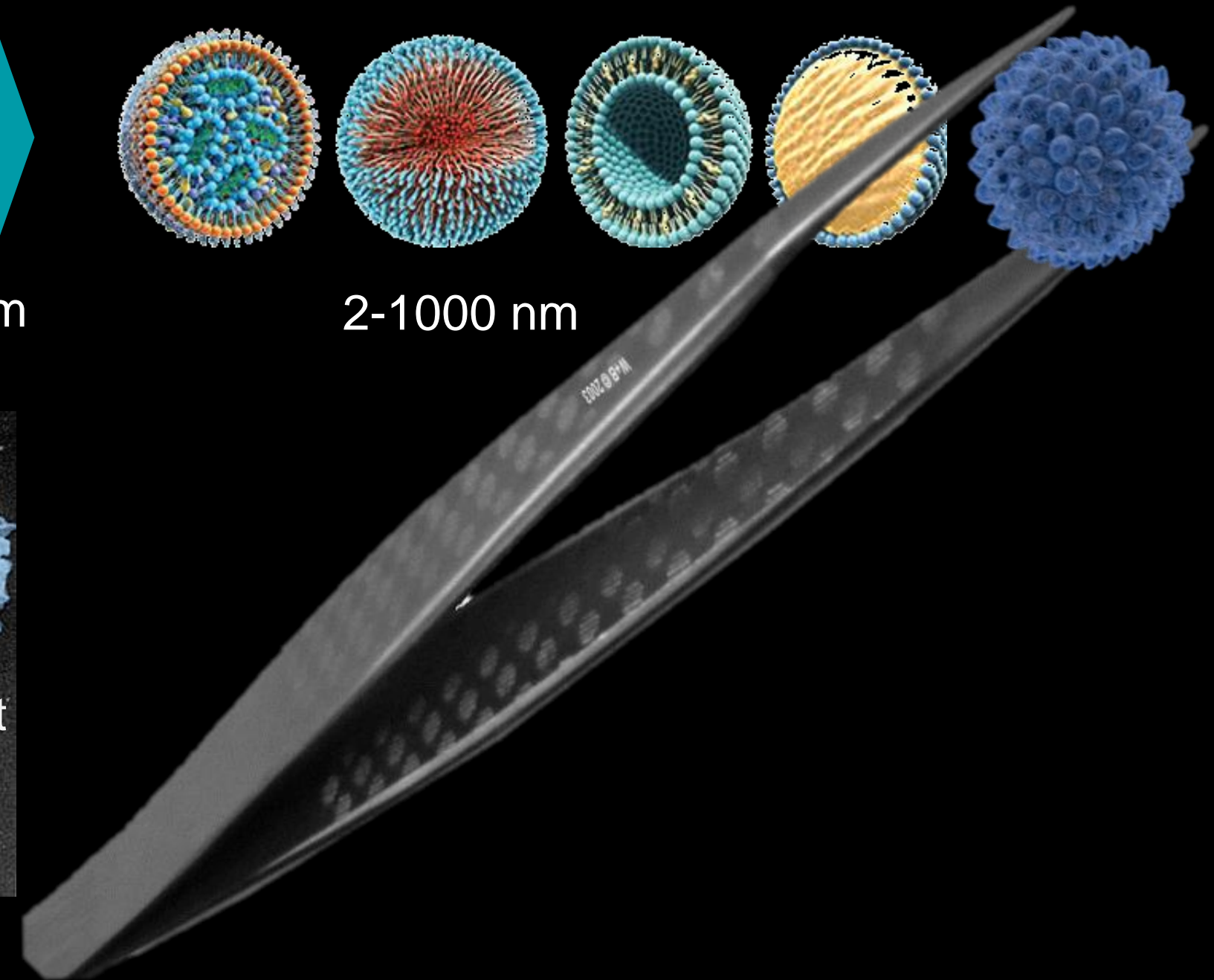
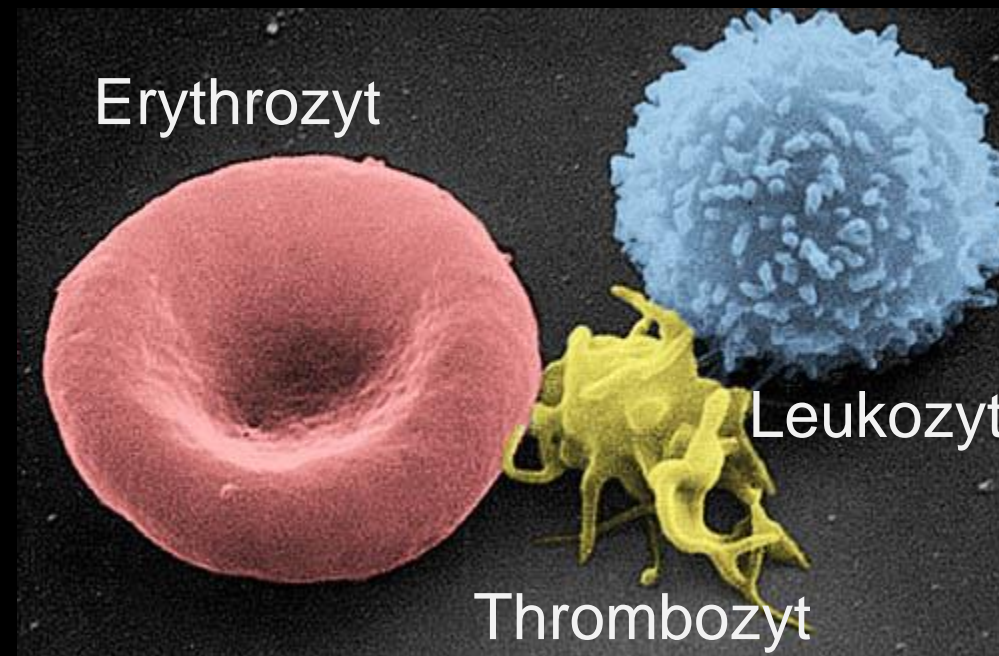
1-5 μm

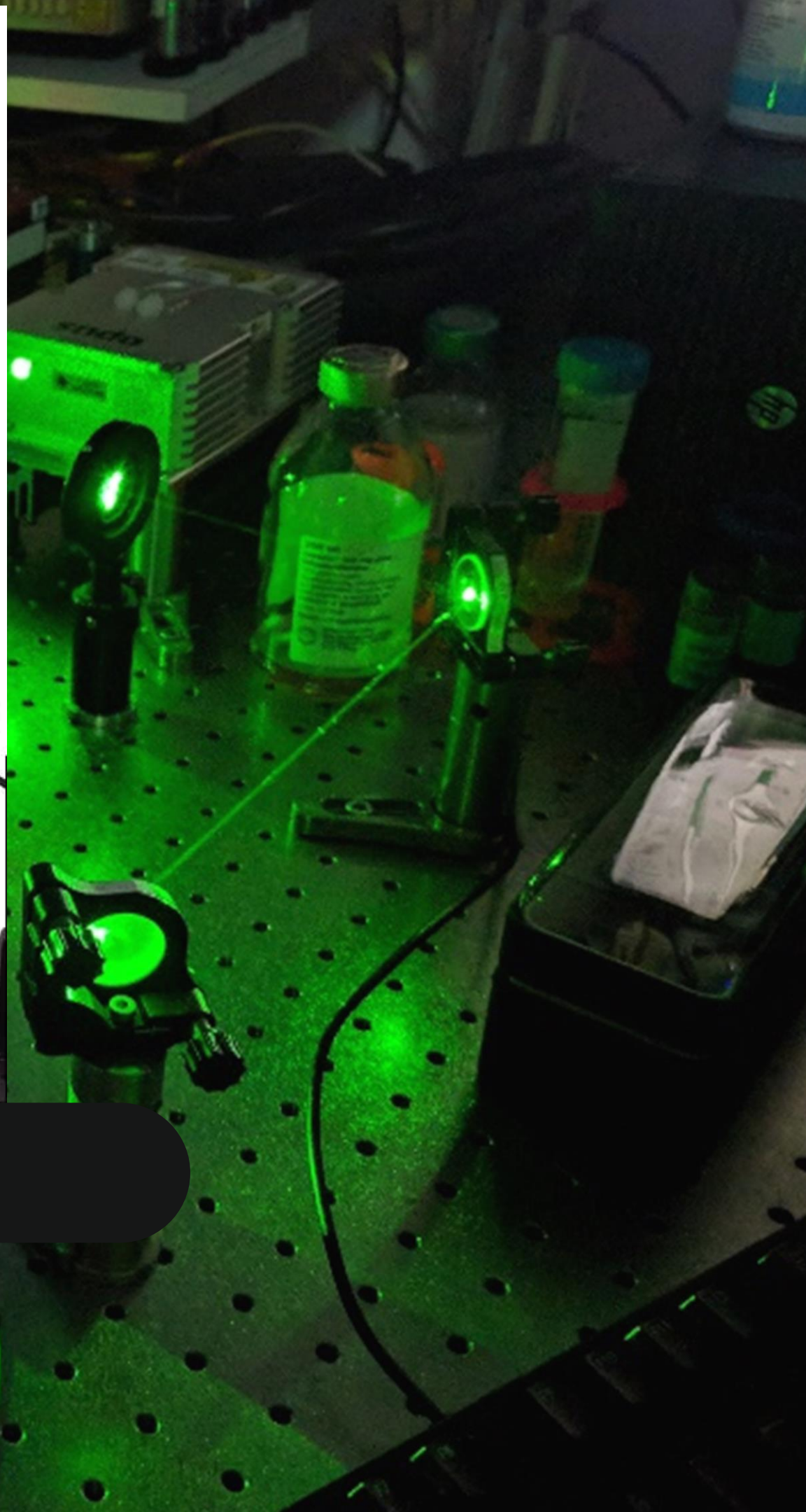
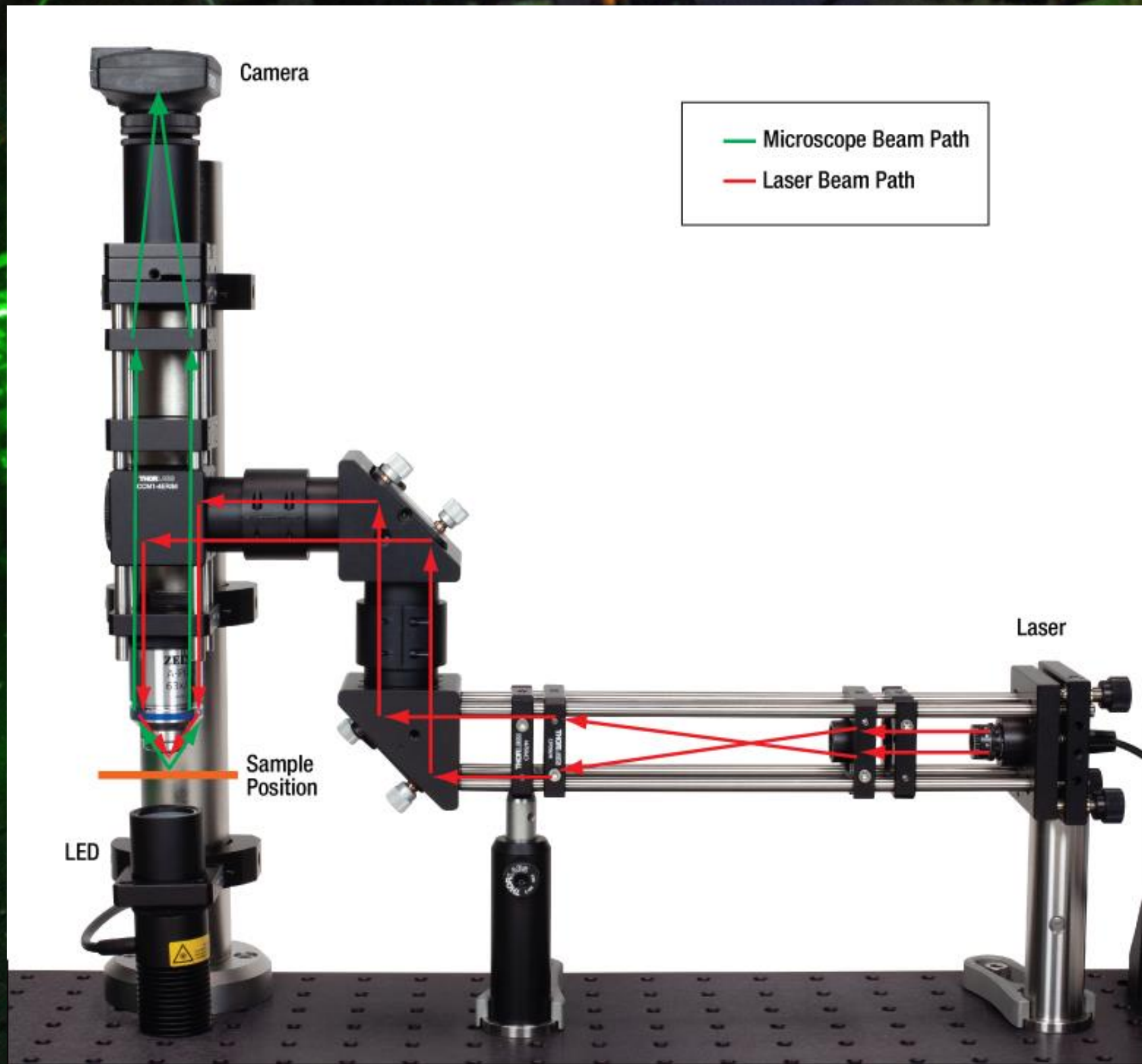


2-1000 nm



"Diese Technologie hat völlig neue Möglichkeiten geschaffen, die Maschinerie des Lebens zu beobachten...", so die Begründung der Königlich-Schwedischen Akademie der Wissenschaften.





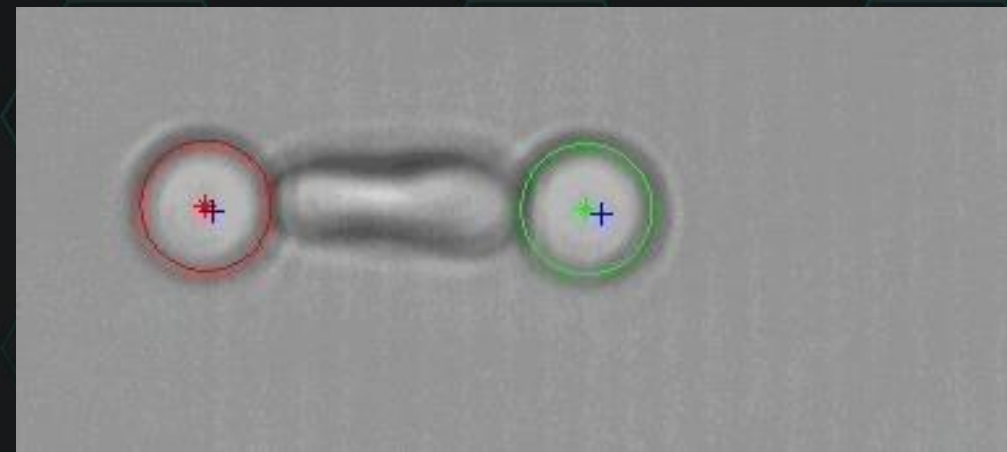
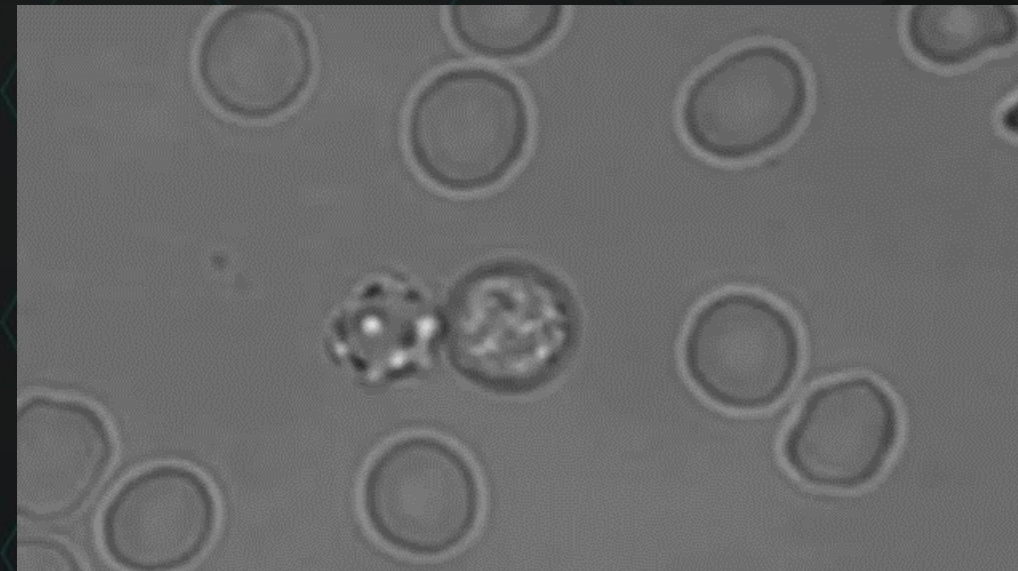
Optical Tweezer Setup

Anwendung: Optischer Kräfte

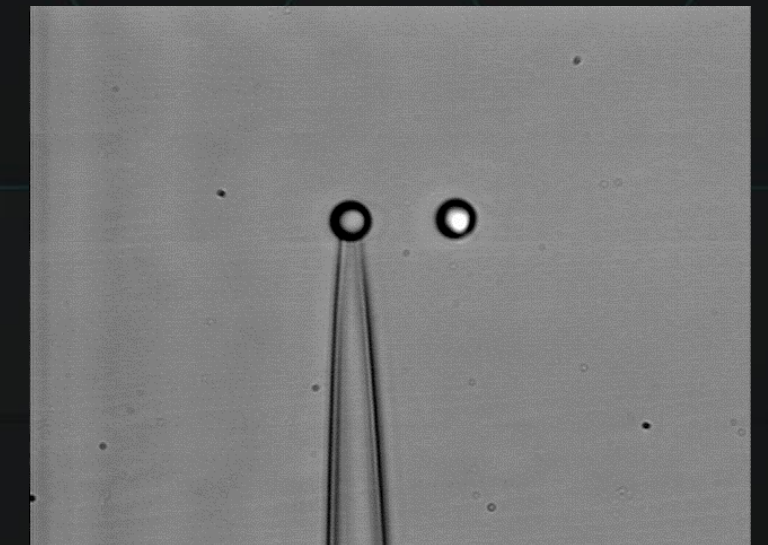
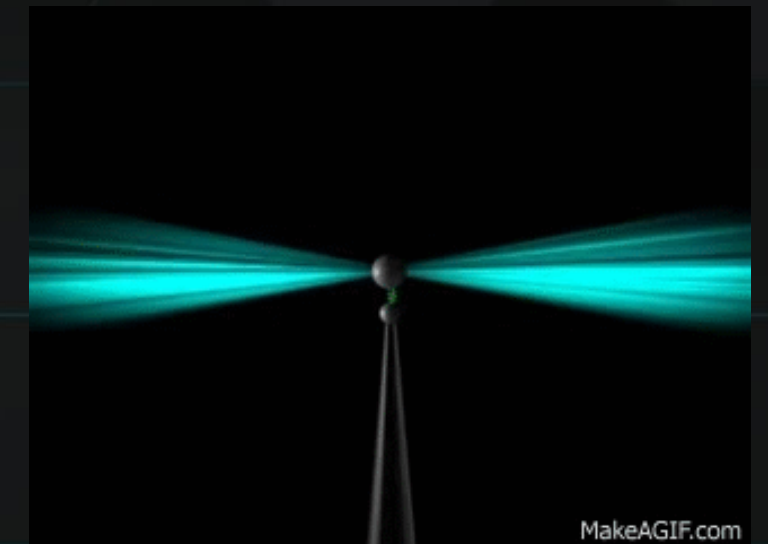
Micro – Tetris (1 μ m Kugeln)



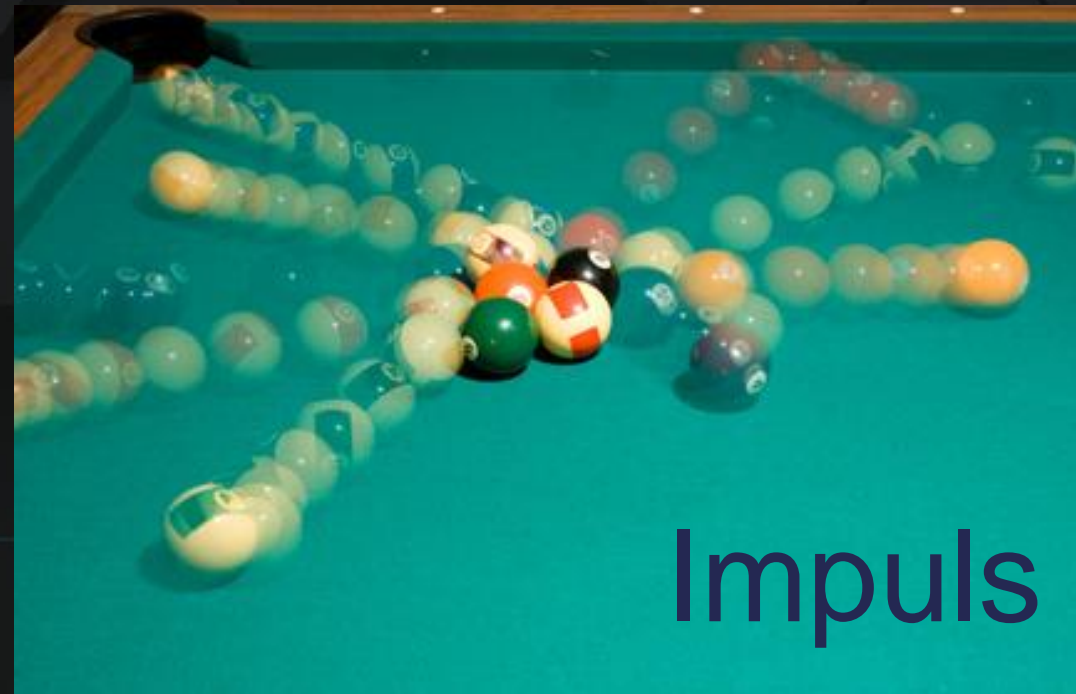
Blut-Zellen Manipulation



DNA/protein pulling



Wie funktionieren optische Kräfte



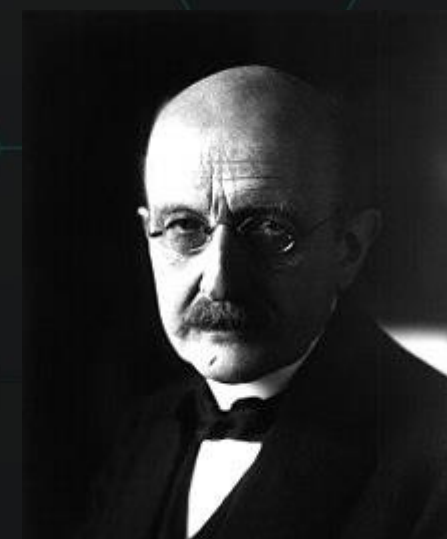
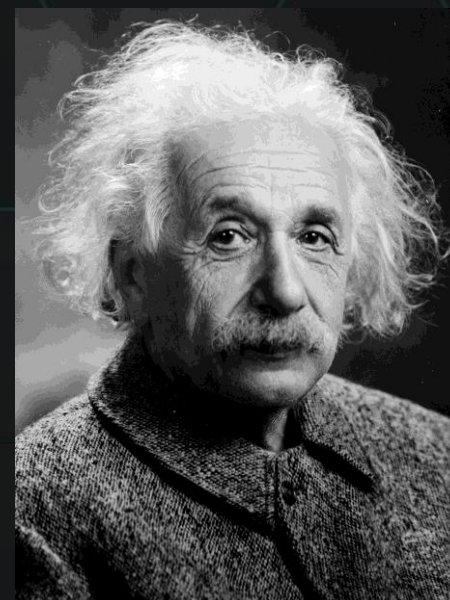
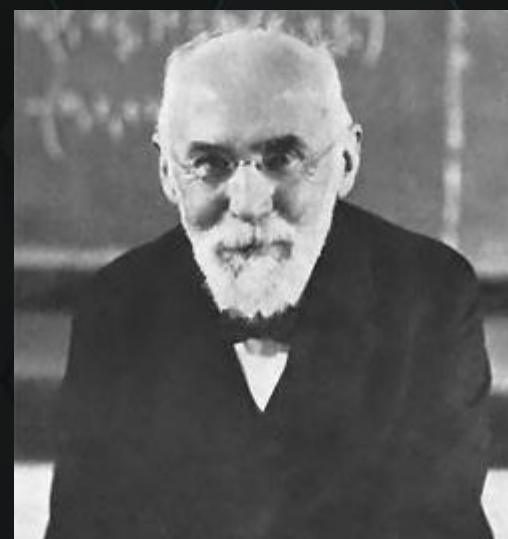
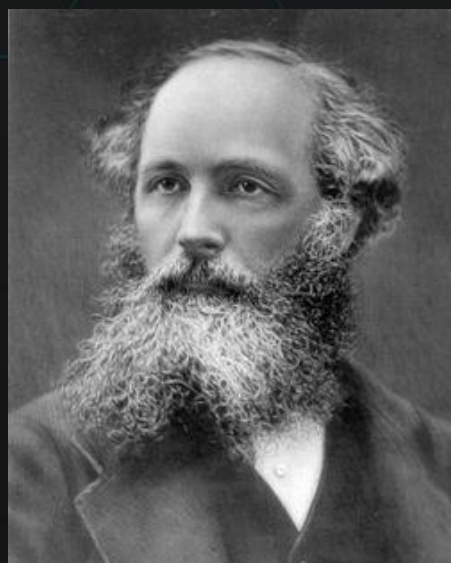
$$p = mv$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} &= \rho \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0 \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} &= \mathbf{J} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

$$F_l = QvB$$

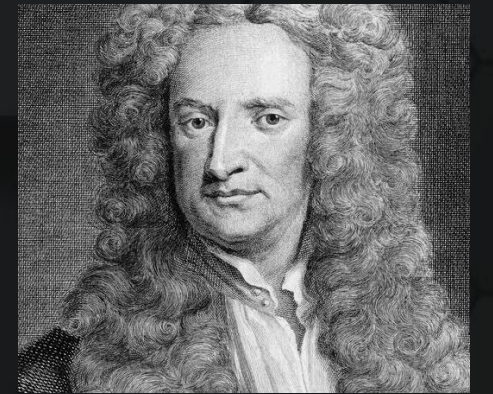
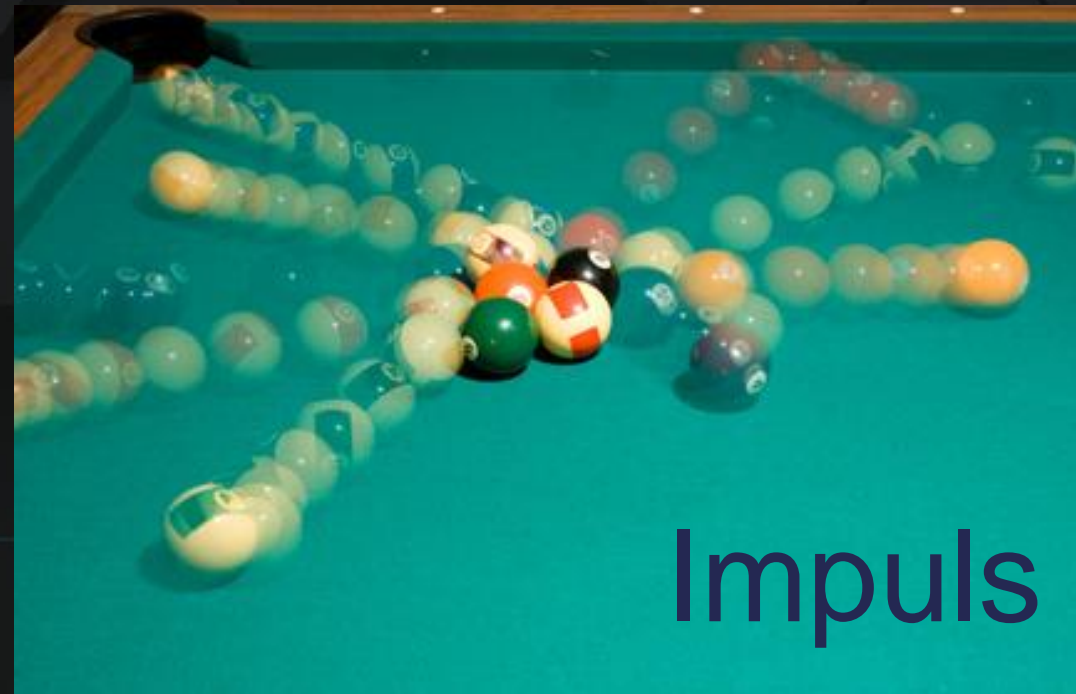
$$E = mc^2$$

$$E = hf$$

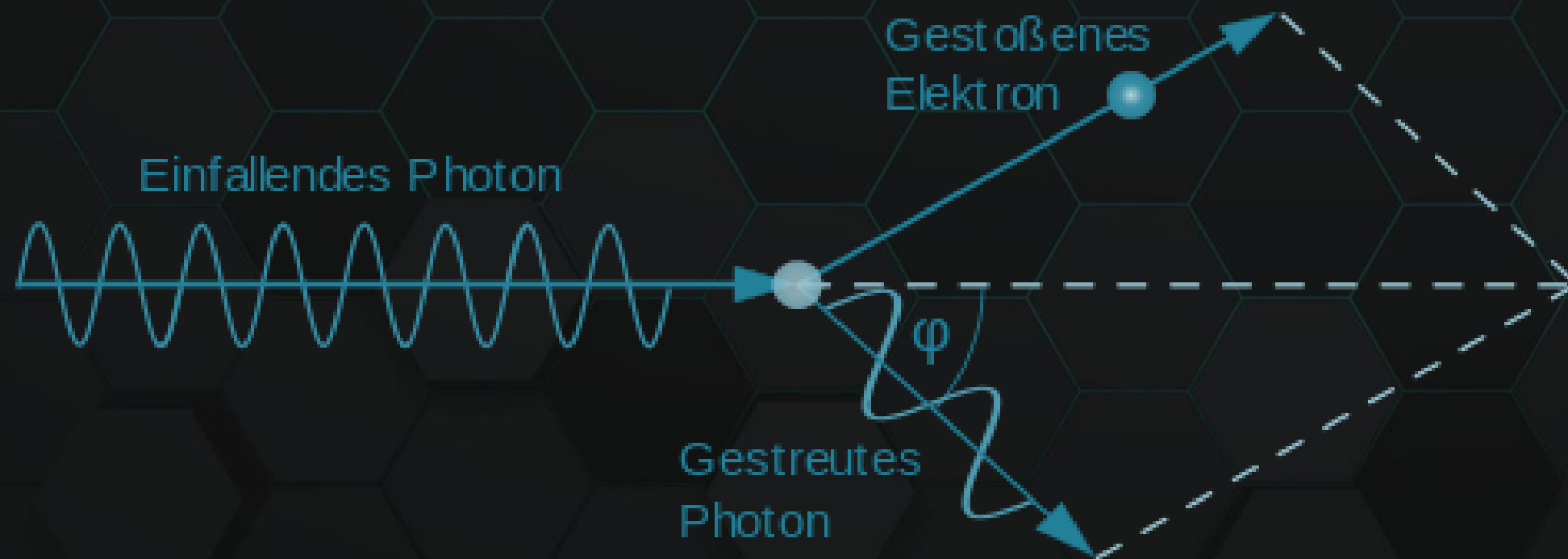


$$p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

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$$p = mv$$



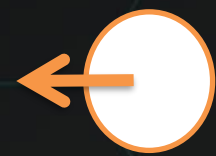
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Licht in verschiedenen Ausprägungen

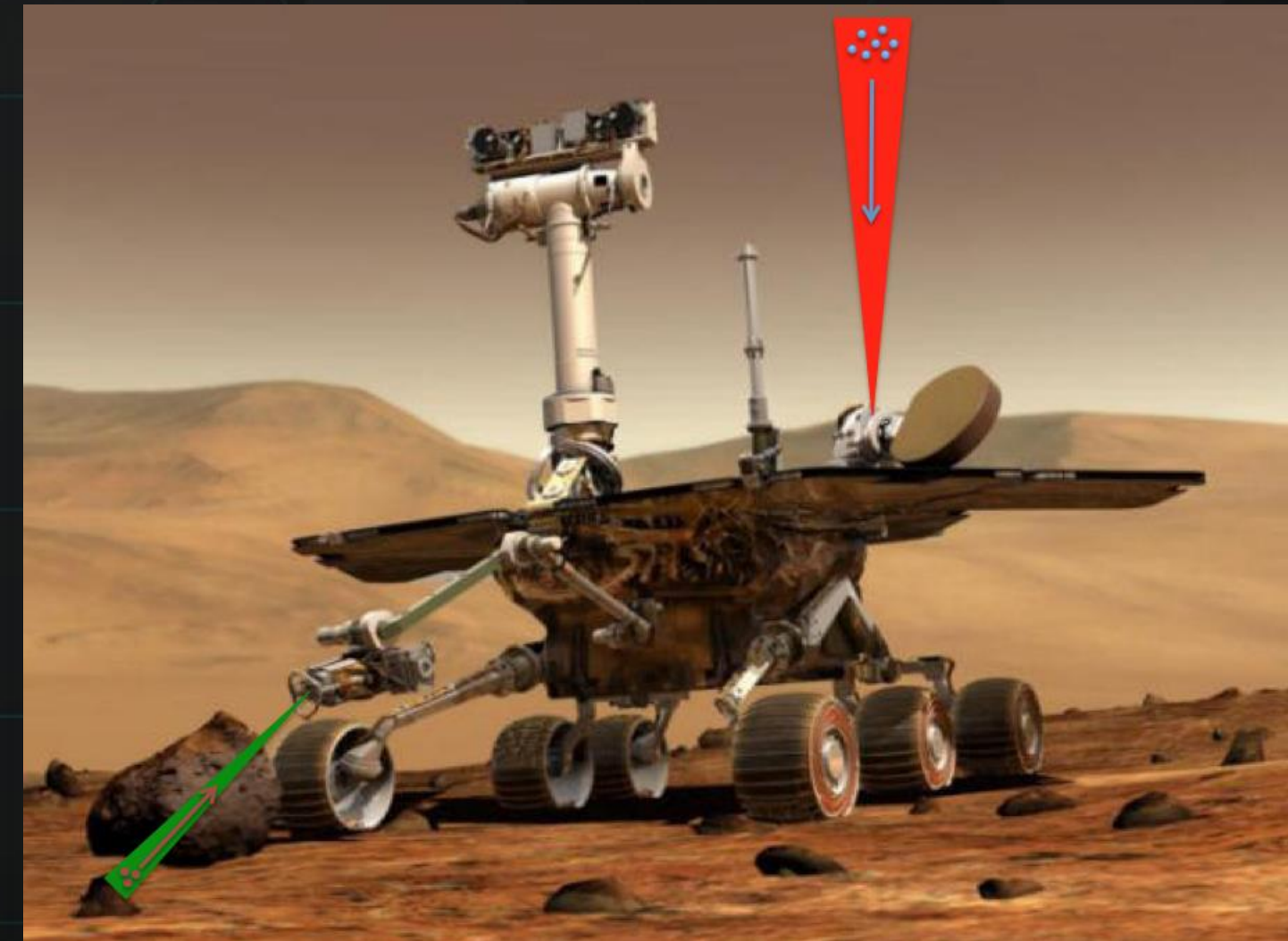
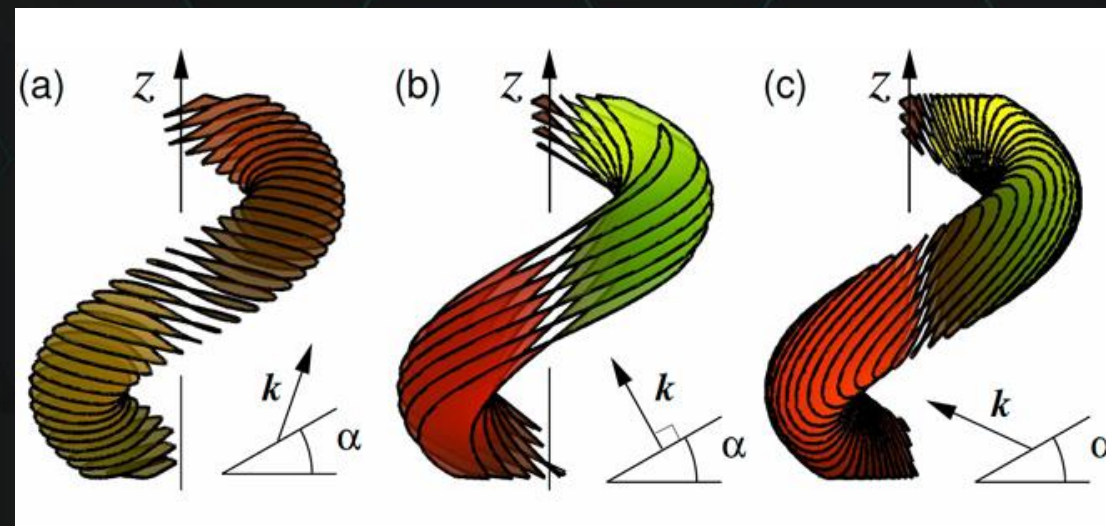
Light Beam



Particle

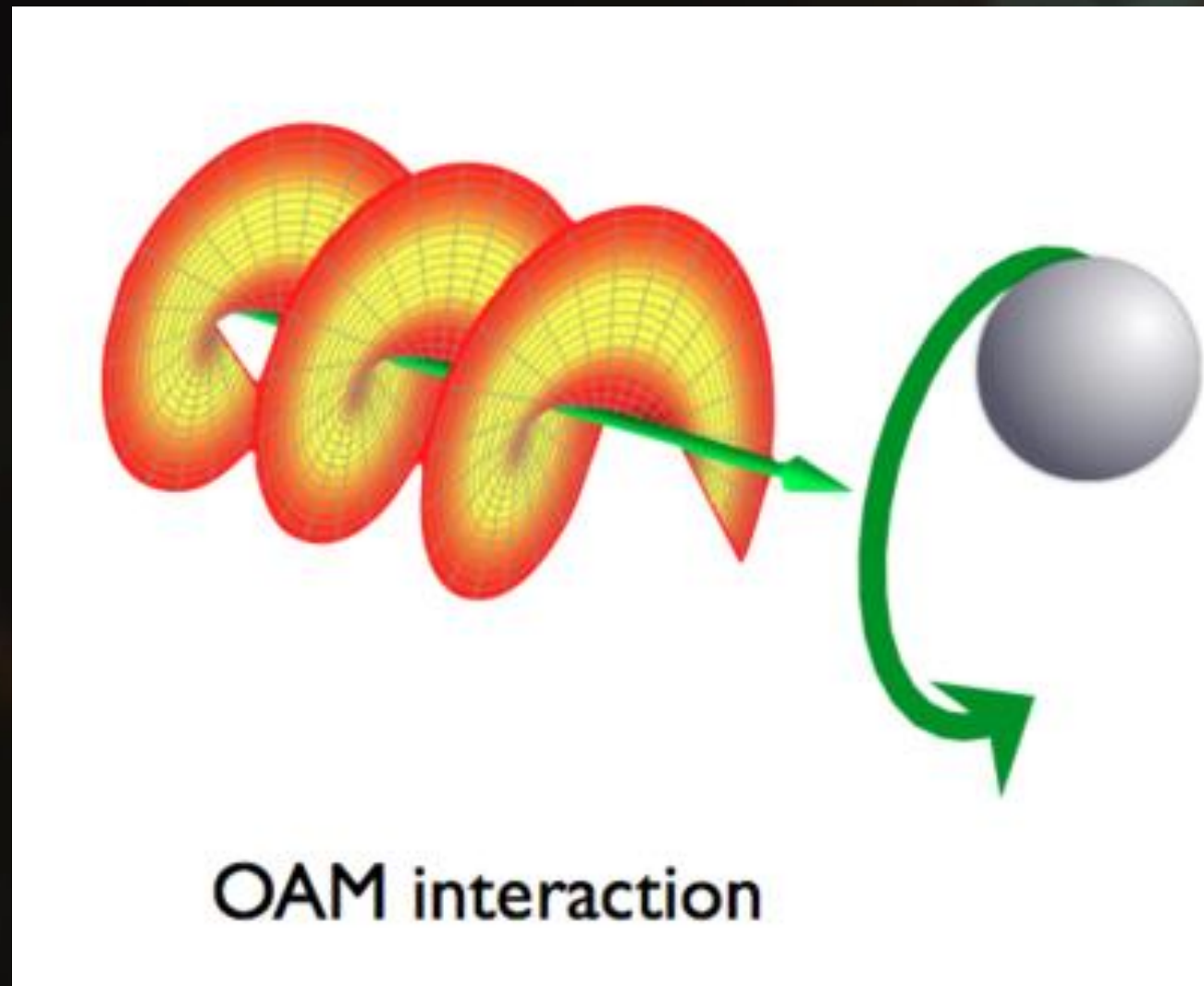


Approach with solenoid beam



Nasa examines 'tractor beams' for sample gathering:
<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-15535115>

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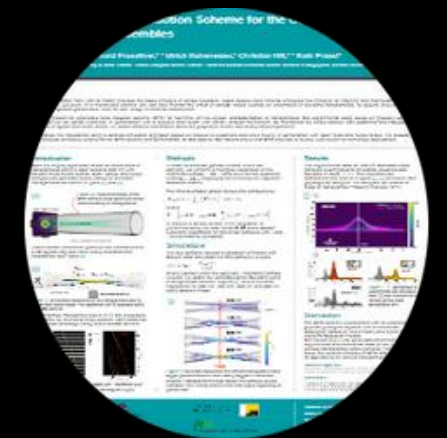
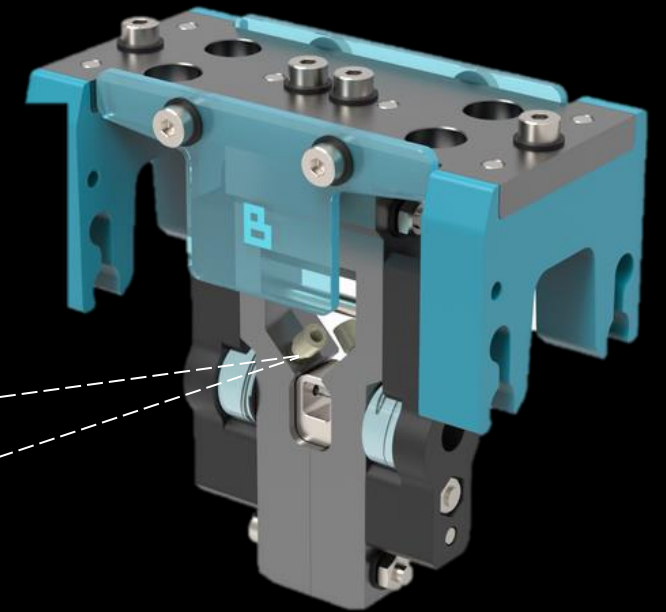
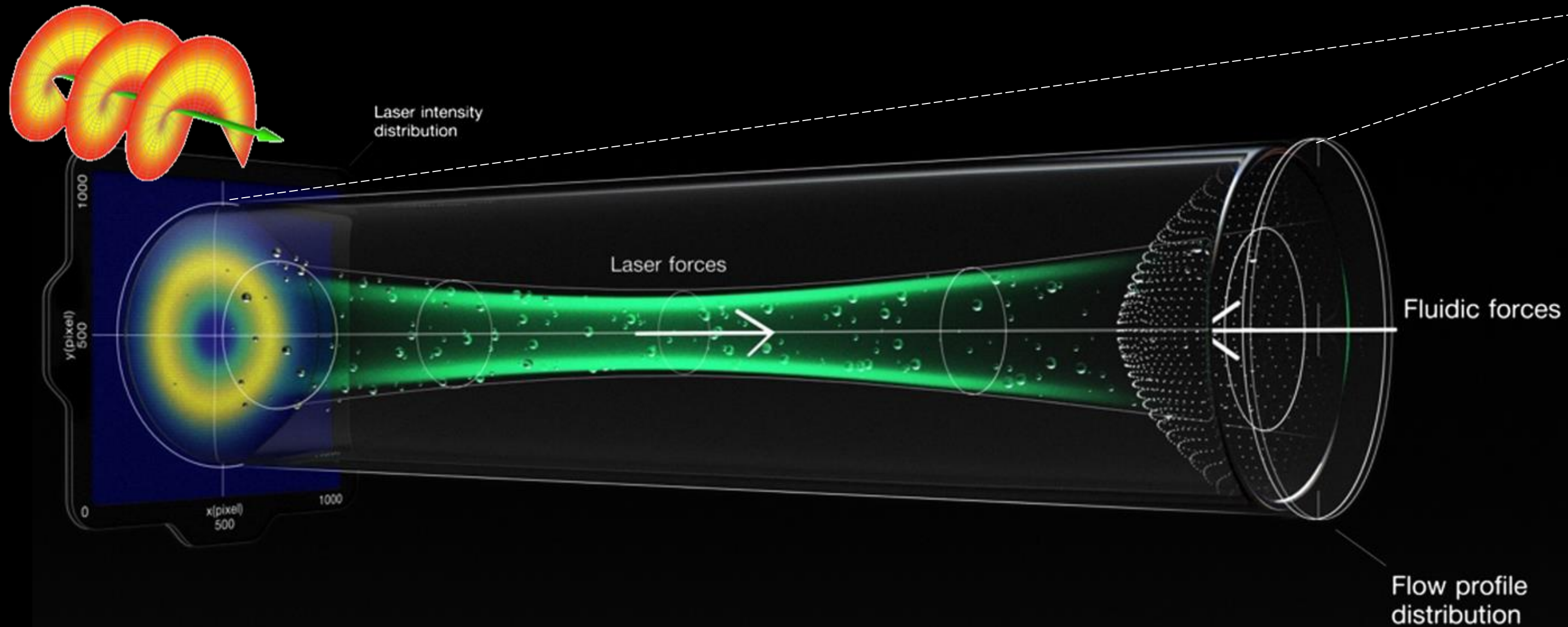


Micro-optomechanical pumps assembled and driven by holographic optical Vortex arrays (Ladavac, Grier, 2004)
Beam: 532nm, charge = +/- 21, 6 Vortices (ca. 300mW), Particle: 800nm silica spheres

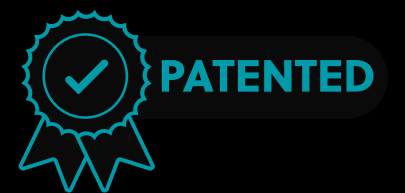
Challenging the state of the art

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actively induced forces of biophotonics and μ -fluidics to break the barrier of Brownian Motion



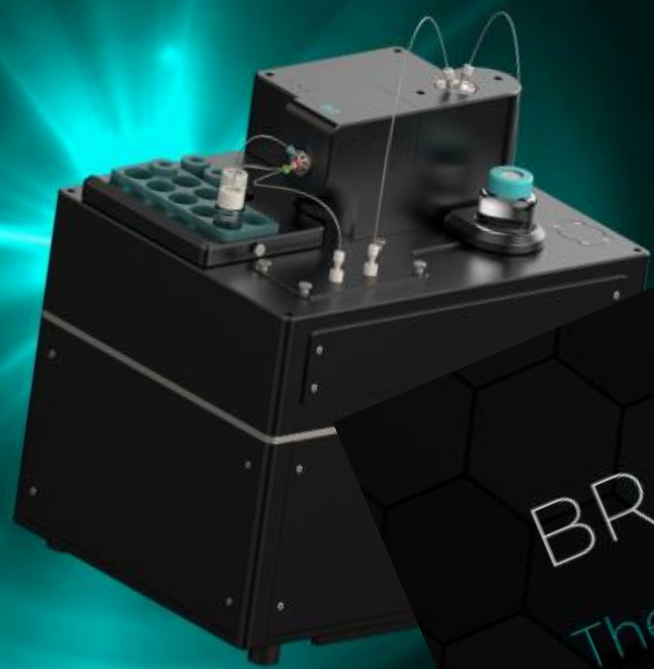
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PhysRevA Simic et al.



BRAVE B-Curious

Features in a nutshell

- ✓ Determines ultra-low concentrations (even a few particles per milliliter)
- ✓ Detects single large particles including large-particle tails, anomalies and LPC
- ✓ Seamless measurement: you get automated, time-resolved and continuous PSD curves over seconds, minutes and even hours; proven throughput up to 2500 particles/minute
- ✓ Monitor kinetic processes like aggregation, dissociation, crystallization, formation, dissolution, etc. and record the parameters as they happen in one continuous measurement
- ✓ Exact measurement of particle size, particle size distribution as well as particle concentration; Detection range: 50 nm* to 5 µm (*sample-dependent)
- ✓ Reliable and representative measurement results with raw data available for later analysis even for complex, polydisperse systems
- ✓ The possibility to use the same method in the lab as is used for online production monitoring, e.g. of nanoemulsions (PAT sensor)
- ✓ An automated self-cleaning cycle takes approx. 30 seconds



Applications*

- Investigation of virus-like particles in cell cultures (downstream & upstream processes)
- Medical

Prof. Tobias Madl from the Gottfried Schatz Research Center for Cell Signaling, Metabolism and Aging, Molecular Biology and Chemistry at the Medical University of Graz

BRAVE B-Continuous

The new way of monitoring your production.

Application areas:



CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION

OF2i ✓

Statistically valid data are determined for the interpretation

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Checking the particle sizes and concentration

OF2i ✓

Measurement for the final, online product release and documentation in real time

READY-TO-GO PRODUCT

Application of OF2i:

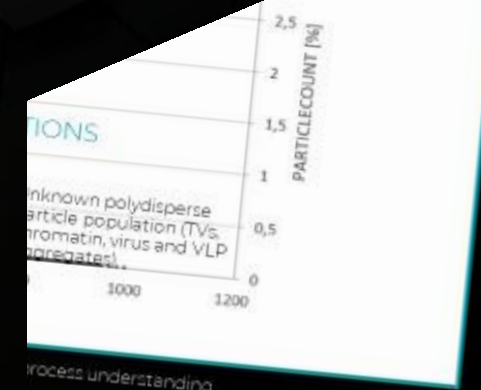
Christoph Koeth and his colleagues tested a number of sensor systems but ultimately a chance meeting with Chris and Gerhard led to the collaboration and development of BRAVE B-Continuous.

- ✓ The BRAVE B-Continuous online unit (including a continuous and automated online sample preparation unit) was installed in a four stage homogenization pilot plant.
- ✓ After the first step, the particle size is reduced from 3 µm to approx. 0.3 µm. The process analyzer continuously monitors the PSD distribution and automatically evaluates data such as D-values to assess the efficiency of the first homogenization step.
- ✓ It provides data to develop a better understanding of the process. The values are sent to the LIMS every 20 seconds.

for the mentioned applications we have proven successes, however the range of application of the device grows with our clientele

- ✓ Prof. Madl carries out measurements at concentrations of particles per milliliter
- ✓ Visualizing the formation and change over time in one seamless process possible for the first time ever.
- ✓ Results with single-particle sensor in the size range 10 nm to 2000 nm
- ✓ Measurements on low-volume concentrations relevant for drug production
- ✓ The measuring results clearly show the processes and allowed comparison of particles in the presence of drug
- ✓ optimization
- ✓ Current measurements do not capture all relevant anomalies.

NEXT STEP: Real-time Release Testing (RTRT) with OF2i



OF2iB time resolved online characterization as number based size distributions versus nanoparticle size [a.u.] during processing steps in looped emulsion production. Timestep10: fault detected within homogenization

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revolutionizes nanoparticle
characterization for production
and R&D

by providing a sensor which generates statistically relevant and representative (nano)particle sizing data continuously, seamlessly, and in real-time with single-particle accuracy.



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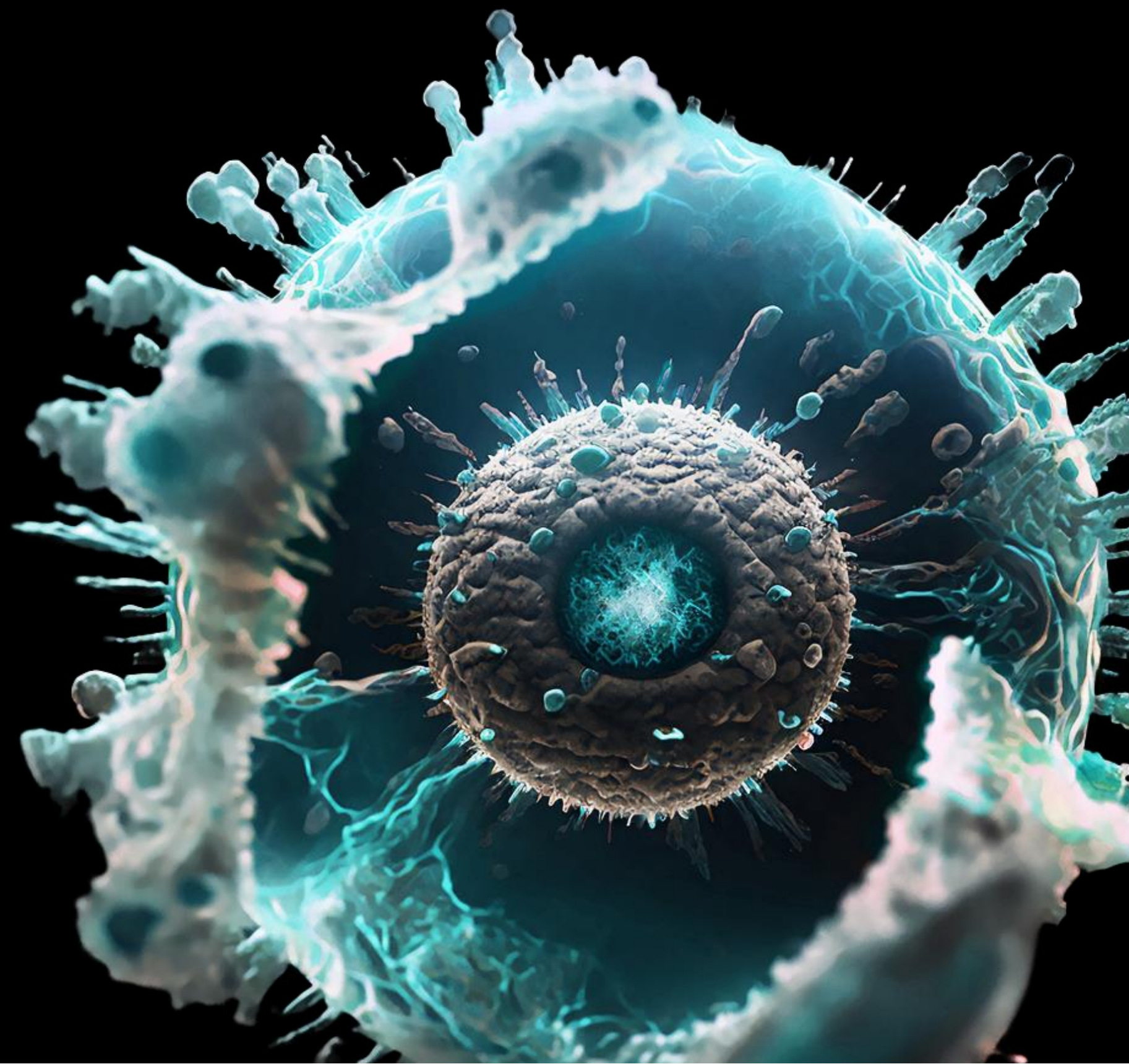
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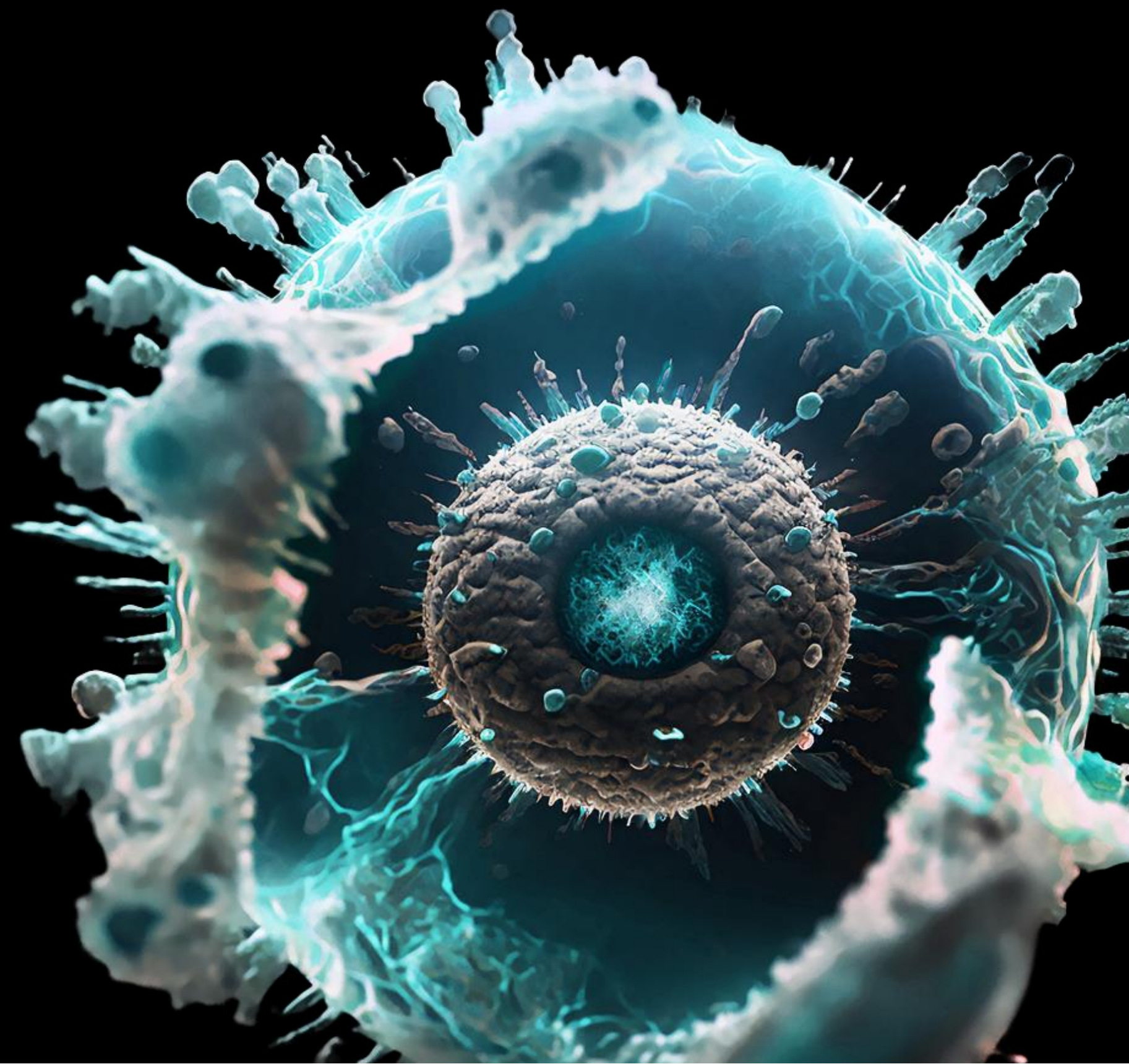
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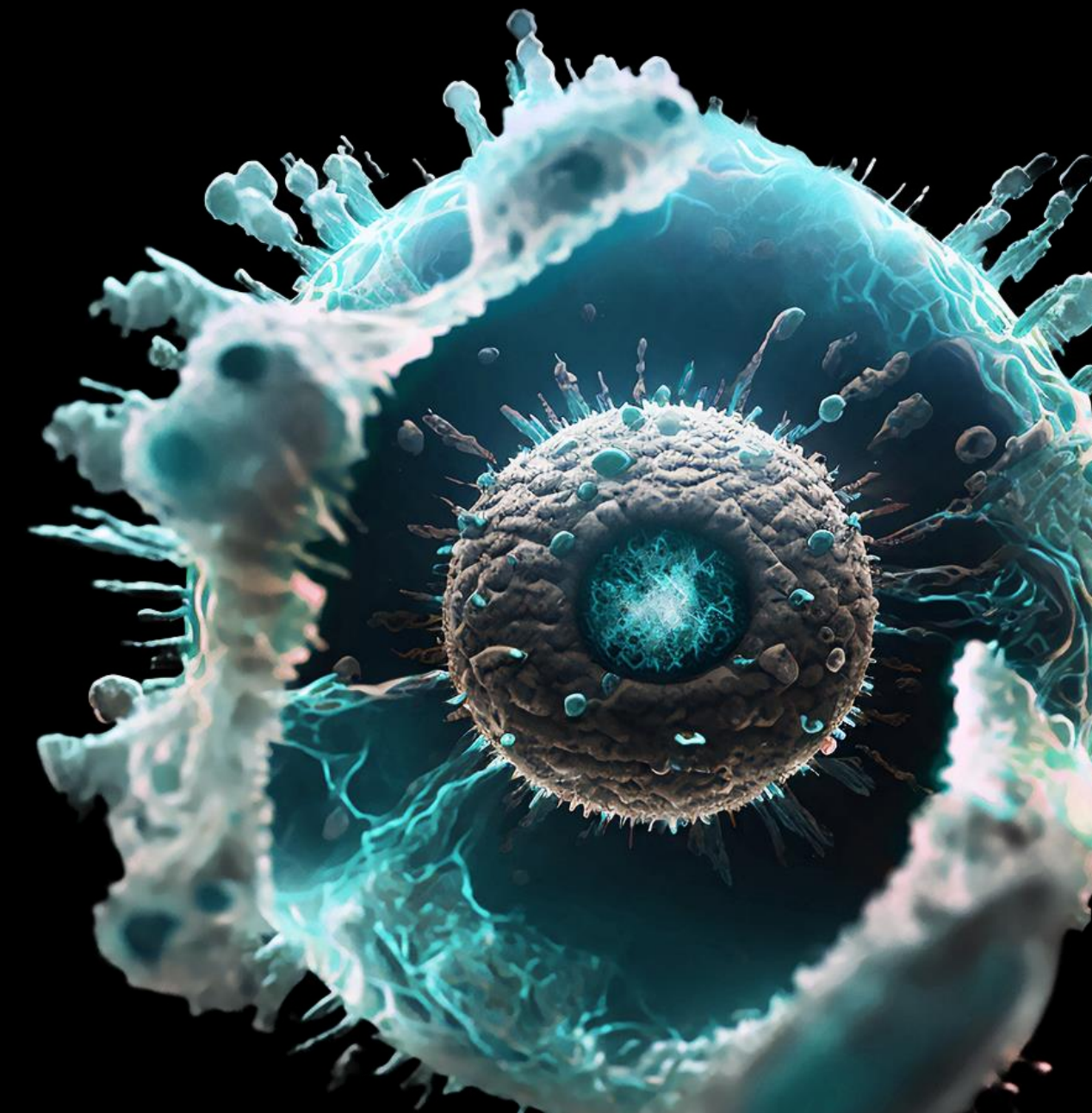


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USE CASE: DISCOVER LIKE NEVER BEFORE.

Research on drug targeting of the early processes of bimolecular condensate formation



Prof. Tobias Madl from the Gottfried Schatz Research Center for Cell Signaling, Metabolism and Aging, Molecular Biology and Biochemistry at the Medical University of Graz



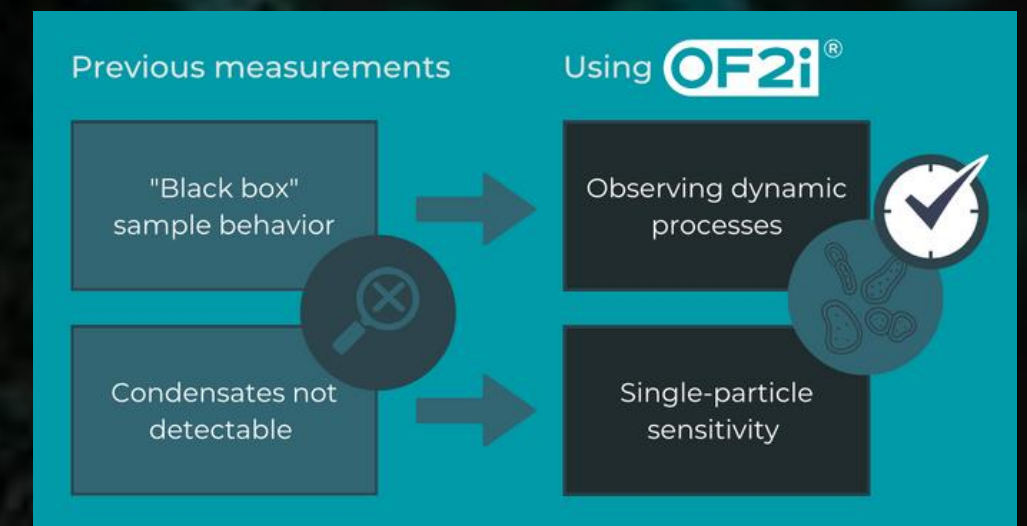
Understanding dynamic liquid-liquid phase separation (LLPS) processes by observing the formation and size distribution of the proteins as they change over time.

State-of-the-art challenges:

- ❌ No possibility for live/ time-resolved measurements to monitor changes of molecular condensates and PSD.
- ❌ Only small sample amounts are available (patient samples), while high protein and RNA concentrations are required to obtain results.
- ❌ Particle size is very small, while size distribution range is wide.
- ❌ Microscopy does not resolve the formation processes in the early stages when condensates start to form and proteins start to interact with RNA.

Results:

"The OF2i method closes a huge gap and enables in-depth and seamless observation of the proteins as they change over time, in this case time-resolved information over seconds to hours."

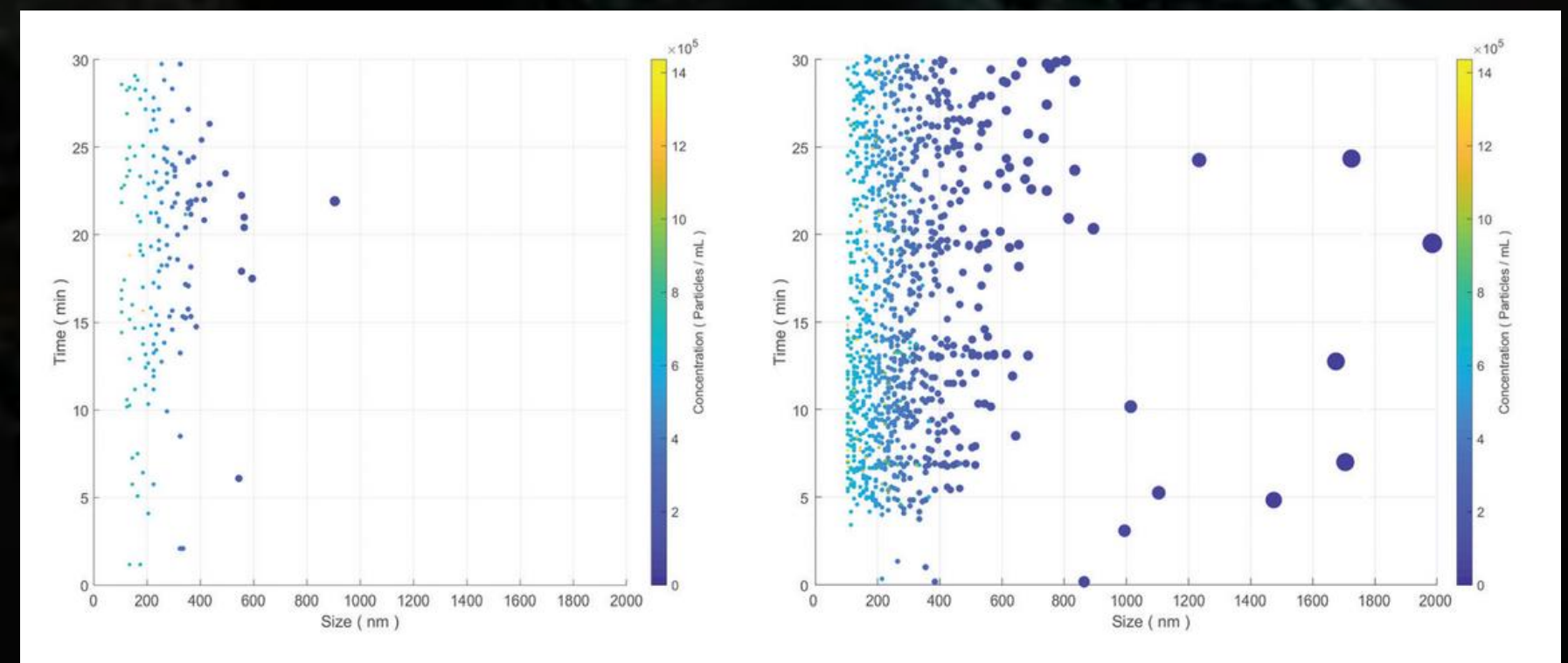


Application of OF2i®:

Prof. Madl carried out time-resolved measurements on different concentrations of proteins and RNA. Using OF2i brought benefits:

- ✔ Visualizing the formation and size distribution of proteins as they change over time in one seamless and complete measurement was possible for the first time ever.
- ✔ Results with single-particle sensitivity, even for condensate particles in the size range 10 nm to 2000 nm.
- ✔ Measurements on low-volume samples of 80 μ L to 100 μ L and at concentrations relevant for drug discovery

The measuring results clearly showed the kinetics of LLPS processes and allowed comparison of the formation of particles in the presence of different RNA concentrations.



© BRAVE Analytics & Marko Šimić: Time-resolved PSD: Particle formation processes during liquid-liquid phase separation (LLPS) with low (left) and high (right) RNA concentrations over 30 minutes.

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