

生物图像处理与信息学

Biological Image Processing and Informatics

第四讲 Lecture 4

光学成像基础 (I)

Fundamentals of Light Microscopy (I)

Outline

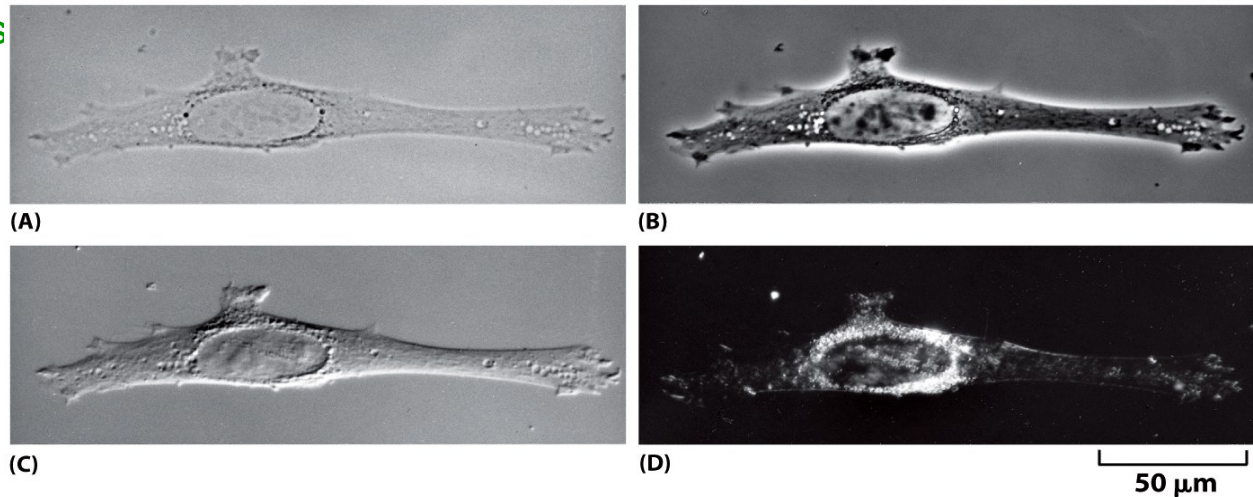
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Contrast Generation in Light Microscopy

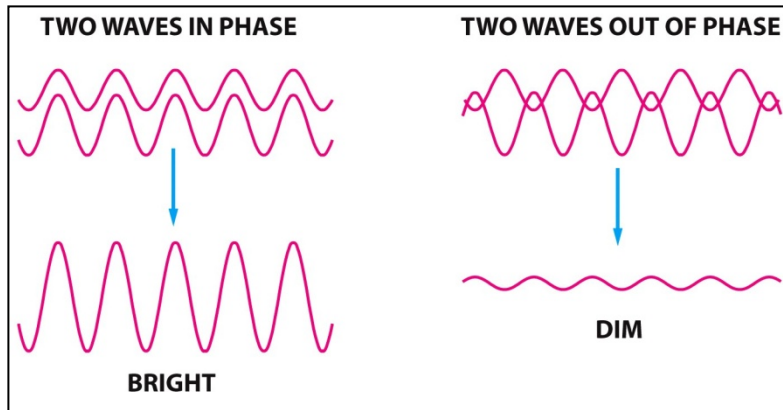
- Two fundamental roles of any microscope
 - To provide adequate contrast
 - To provide adequate resolution.
- Contrast generation
 - Transmitted light illumination vs reflected light illumination
 - Bright-field vs dark-field
 - Phase contrast
 - Fluorescent micros

(A) Bright-field
(B) Phase
(C) DIC
(D) Dark-field



Phase Contrast & DIC (I)

- Phase contrast is very useful in imaging transparent specimens, which do not change light magnitude.
- Contrast is generated due to the different refractive indices of the sample and the background.



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1953



Frits Zernike
Prize share: 1/1

The Nobel Prize in Physics 1953 was awarded to Frits Zernike *"for his demonstration of the phase contrast method, especially for his invention of the phase contrast microscope"*.

Phase Contrast & DIC (III)

Differential Interference Contrast Schematic

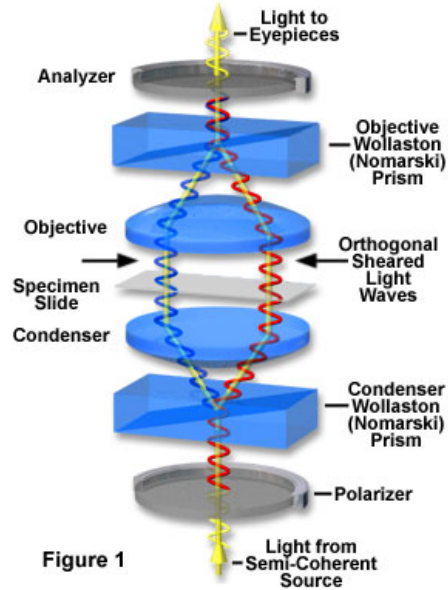
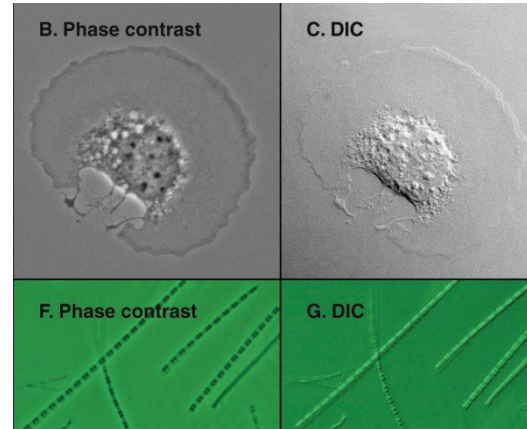


Figure 1



Georges (Jerzy) Nomarski
(1919-1997)

Specimen Optical Path Difference and DIC Amplitude Profile

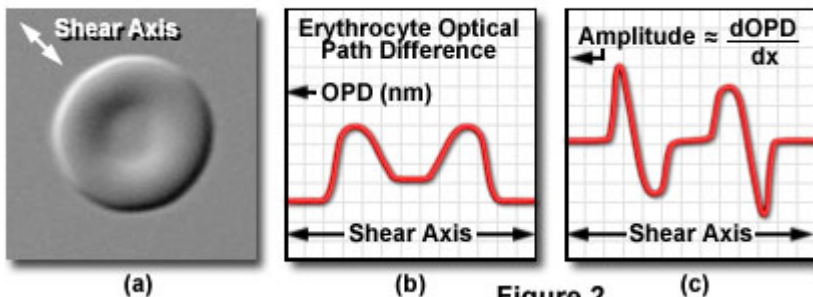


Figure 2

Phase

DIC

Halos in Phase Contrast and DIC Microscopy

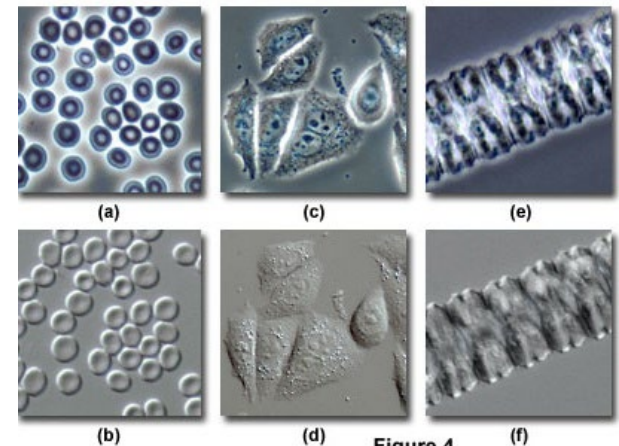


Figure 4

Why Color/Specificity is Important?

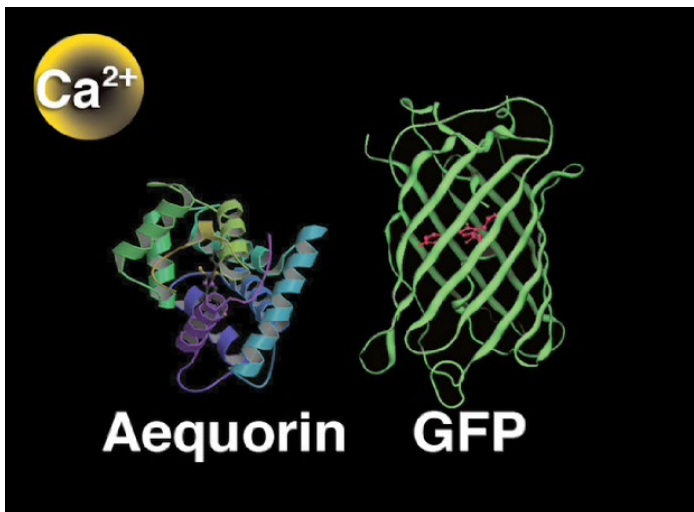


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Discovery of Green Fluorescence Protein



Jellyfish: *Aequorea victoria*



The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2008



Photo: U. Montan
Osamu Shimomura
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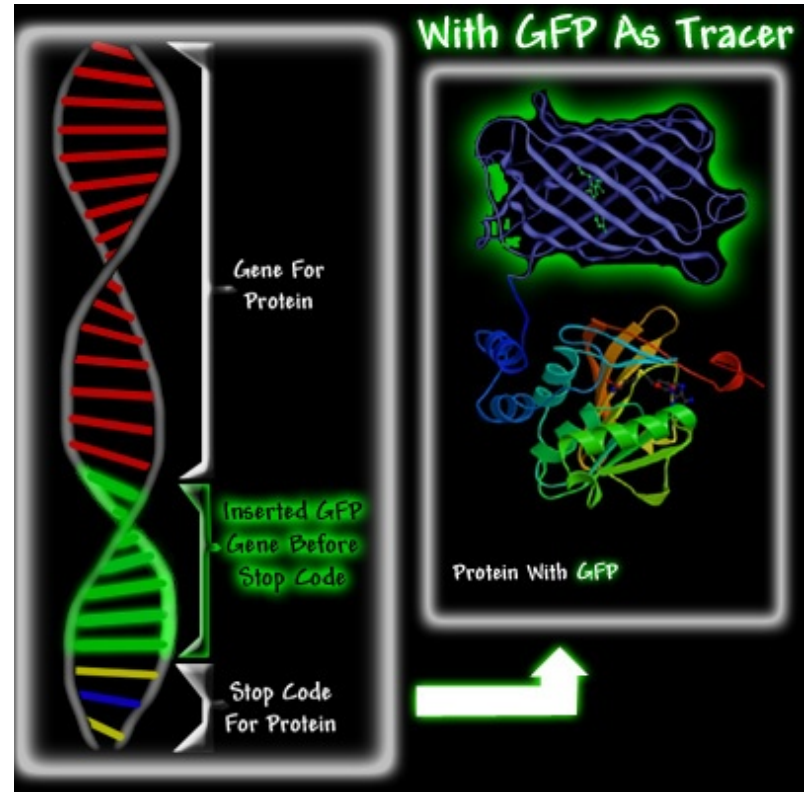
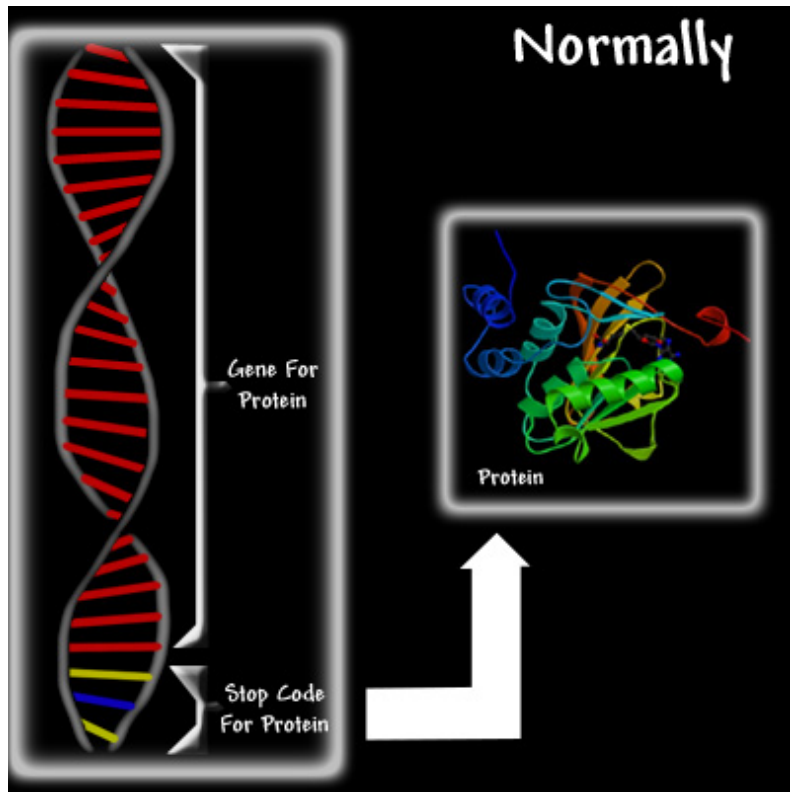


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The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2008 was awarded jointly to Osamu Shimomura, Martin Chalfie and Roger Y. Tsien "for the discovery and development of the green fluorescent protein, GFP".

<http://gfp.conncoll.edu/GFP-1.htm>

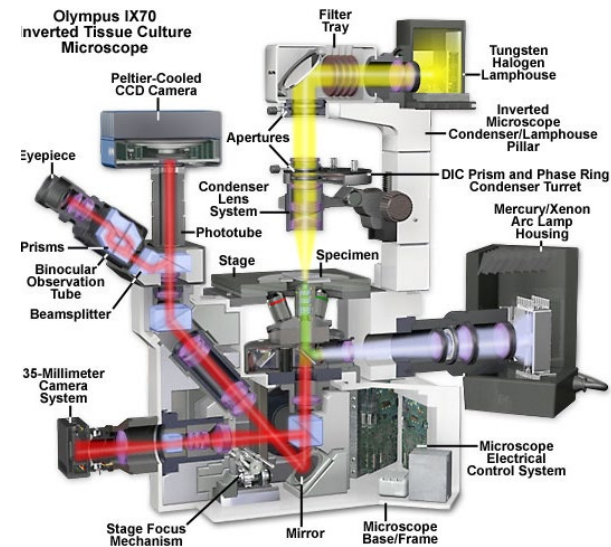
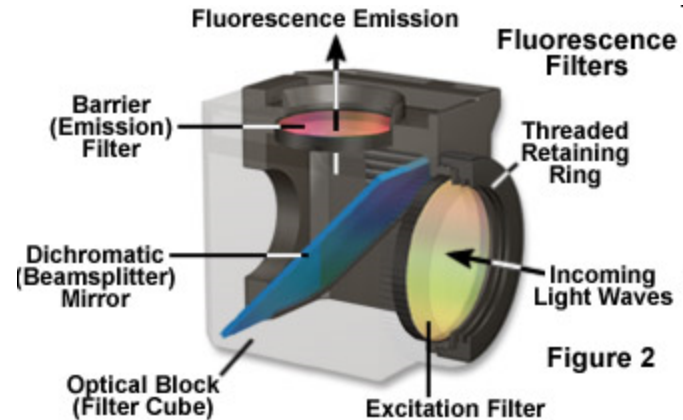
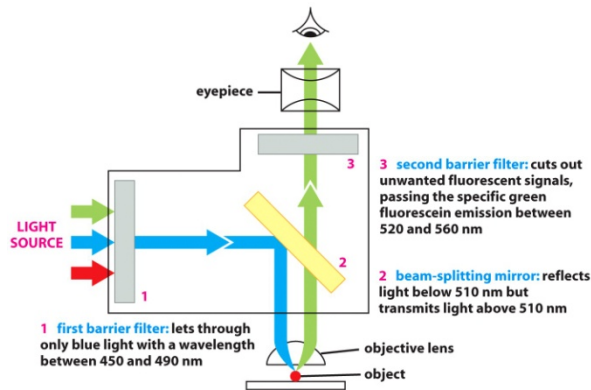
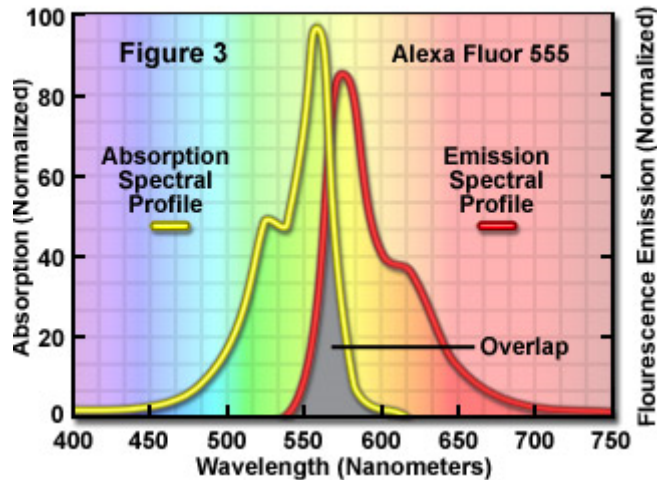
Labeling a Protein Using GFP



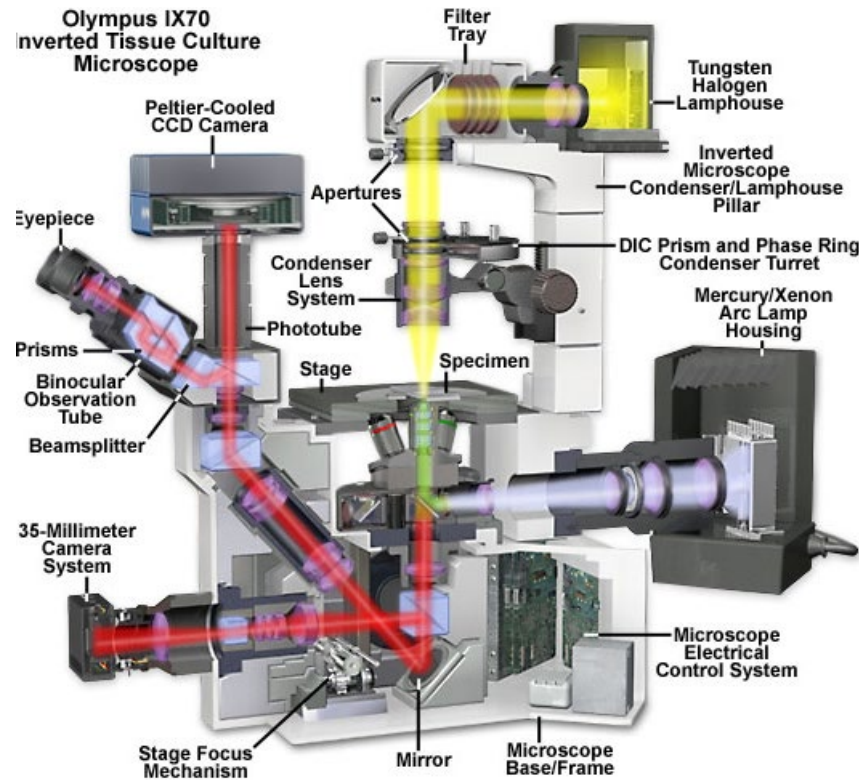
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Fluorescence Microscopy (I)

Fluorophore Absorption and Emission Profiles

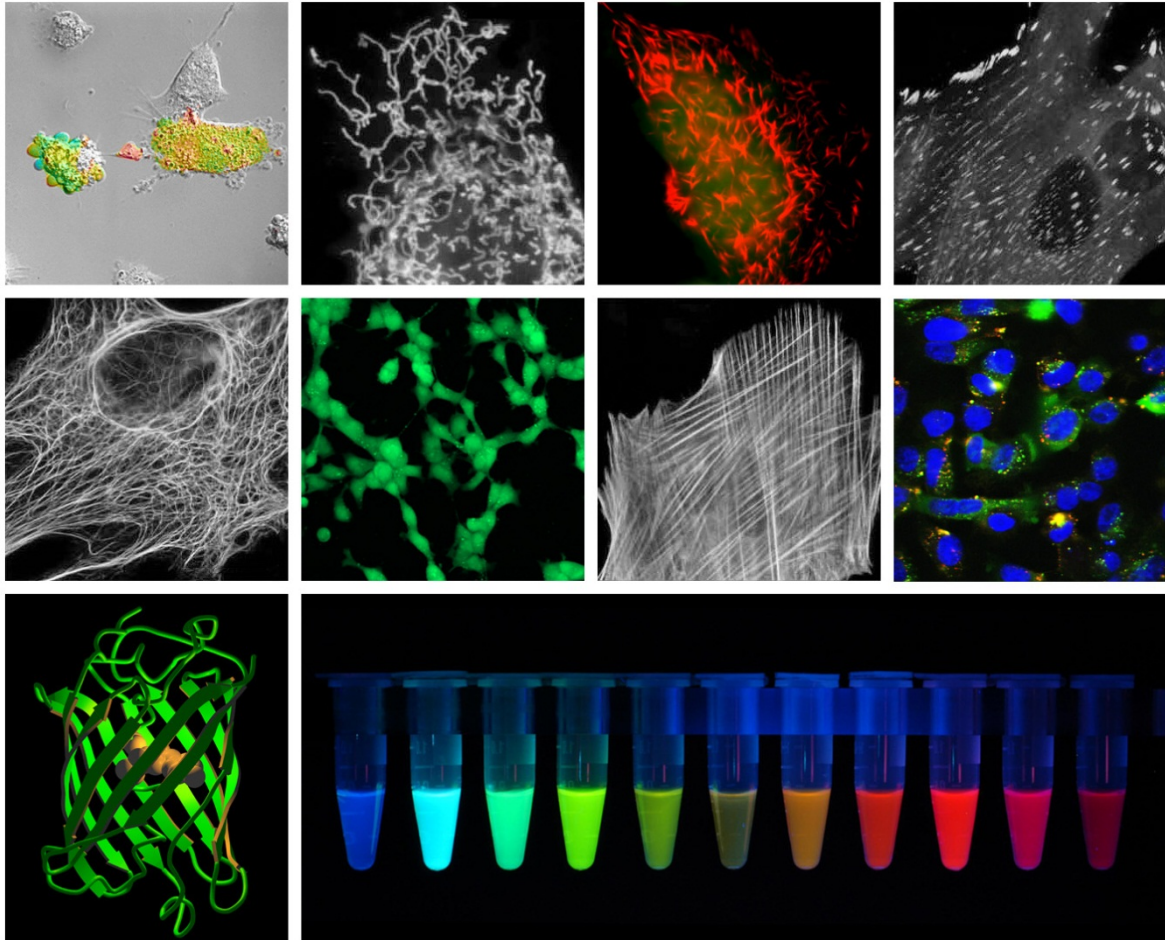


Reflected Light vs Transmitted Light



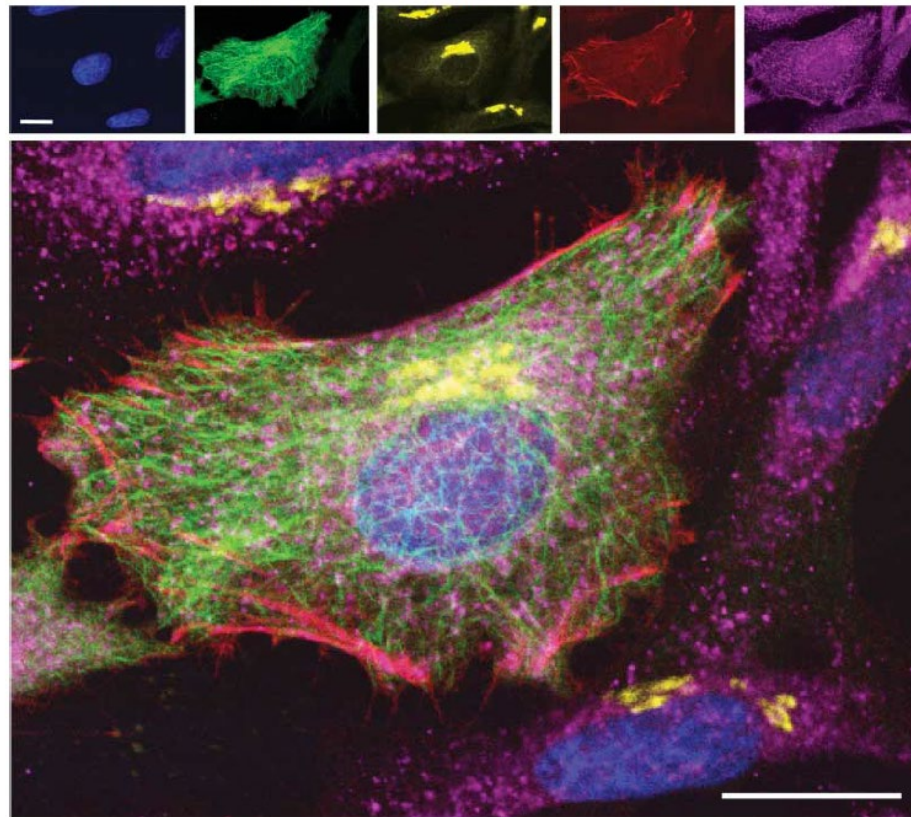
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Fluorescence Microscopy (III)



A Multicolor Image of a HeLa Cell

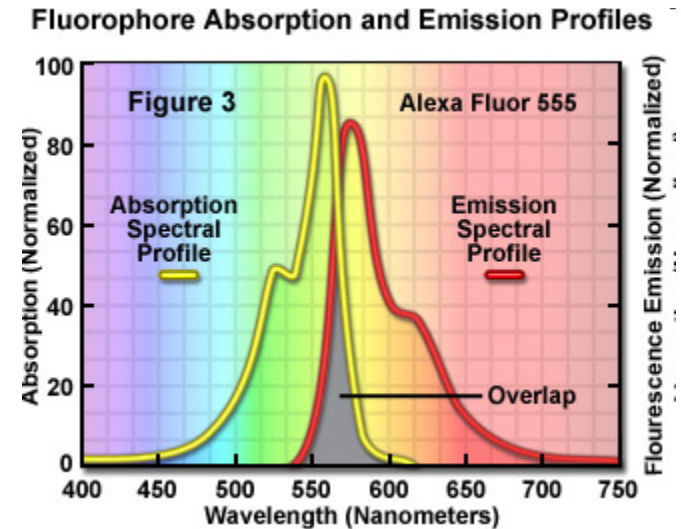
Excitation (nm): 800 (2 photon)	488	432	568	637
Emission (nm): 410-490	500-530	555-565	580-620	>660
Fluorophore: Hoechst	GFP	QD565	ReAsH	Cy5
Targeting: direct affinity	genetic	immuno	genetic	immuno
Target: DNA	α -tubulin	giantin	β -actin	Cytochrome c
Structure: nuclei	microtubules	golgi	stress fibers	mitochondria



Giepmans et al, *Science*, 312:217, 2006

Excitation & Emission Spectrum

- A fluorescent molecule can only absorb excitation light within a certain range of wavelengths (excitation spectrum).
- A fluorescent molecule can only emit light within a certain range of wavelengths (emission spectrum).
- Emission wavelengths are always longer due to internal energy loss.
- Emission spectrum is approximately a mirror image of excitation spectrum.



Fluorescence Microscopy Summary

- High specificity:
 - Chemical fluorophores
 - Fluorescent proteins
- High sensitivity: up to single molecules.



Useful References

- Lakowicz JR, *Principles of fluorescence spectroscopy*, Springer, 2006.
- Herman B, *Fluorescence microscopy*, 2nd ed., Taylor & Francis, 1998.

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Practical Constraints in Microscopy

- Photobleaching

- Fluorophores gradually lose their ability of light emission.
- This results in a sustained decrease in image intensity.

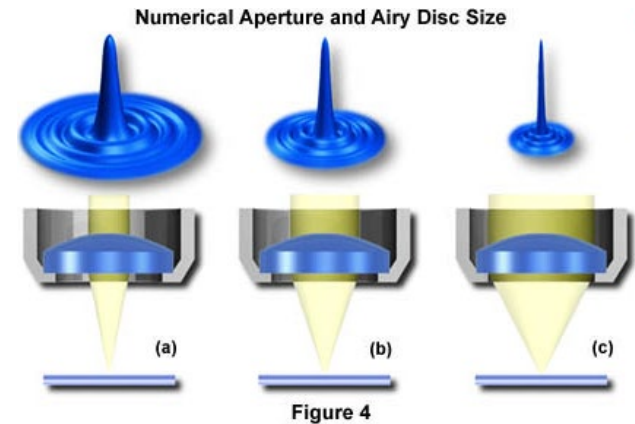
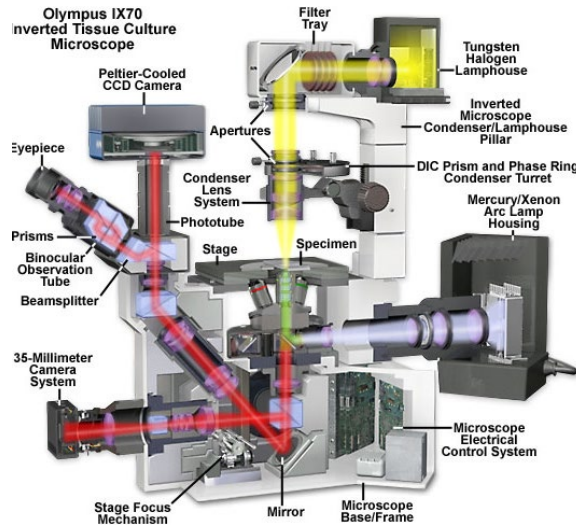
- Phototoxicity

- Constant illumination generates free radicals that cause cell death.
- This places a fundamental limit on how many frame of images can be collected.

<http://micro.magnet.fsu.edu/primer/java/fluorescence/photobleaching/index.html>

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Microscope as a Linear System



- A light microscope can be considered as a linear system.

<http://micro.magnet.fsu.edu/primer/java/imageformation/airydiskformation/index.html>

A Microscope as a Linear System

- A light microscope can be considered as a linear system.
- A linear system satisfies the following two conditions

- Homogeneity

- Additivity

- Homogeneity

$$\begin{array}{c} x(t) \rightarrow y(t) \\ \Downarrow \\ k \cdot x(t) \rightarrow k \cdot y(t) \end{array}$$



- Additivity

$$\begin{array}{c} x_1(t) \rightarrow y_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \rightarrow y_2(t) \\ \Downarrow \\ x_1(t) + x_2(t) \rightarrow y_1(t) + y_2(t) \end{array}$$



How to Characterize a Linear System

- A linear system can be characterized by
 - Impulse response
 - Frequency response
- Impulse response of a microscope: point spread function

$$I(x, y) = O(x, y) \otimes psf(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} O(u, v) \cdot psf(x - u, y - v) du dv$$

- Frequency response of a microscope: optical transfer function

$$F\{I(x, y)\} = F\{O(x, y)\} \cdot F\{psf(x, y)\} = F\{O(x, y)\} \cdot OTF(\cdot)$$

Airy Disk

- Airy (after George Biddell Airy) disk is the diffraction pattern of a point feature under a circular aperture.
- It has the following form

$$y = \left[\frac{2J_1(x)}{x} \right]^2$$

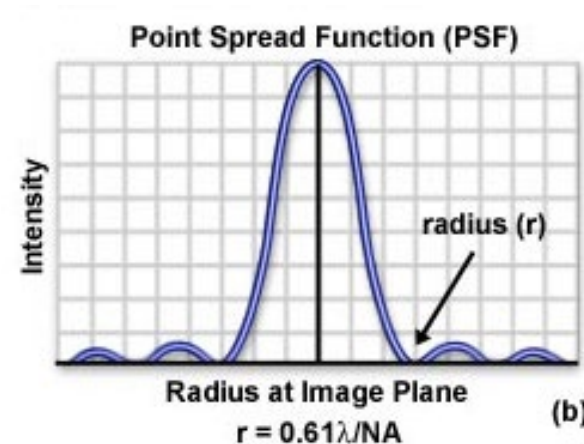


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$J_1(x)$ is a Bessel function of the first kind.

- Detailed derivation is given in
Born & Wolf, *Principles of Optics*, 7th ed., pp. 439-441.

Microscope Image Formation (I)

- Microscope image formation can be modeled as a convolution with the PSF.

$$I(x, y) = O(x, y) \otimes \text{psf}(x, y)$$

$$F\{I(x, y)\} = F\{O(x, y)\} \cdot F\{\text{psf}(x, y)\}$$

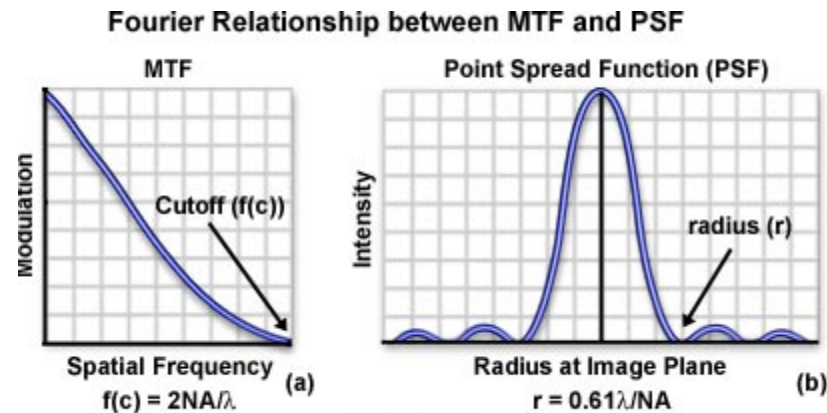
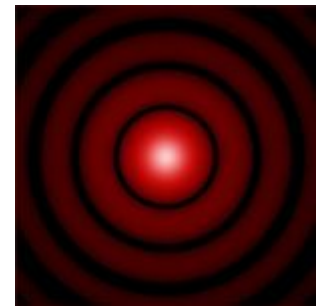


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<http://micro.magnet.fsu.edu/primer/java/mtf/airydisksize/index.html>

Microscope Image Formation (II)

- The impulse response of the microscope is called its point spread function (PSF).
- The transfer function of a microscope is called its optical transfer function (OTF).
- The PSF has the shape of an Airy Disk.

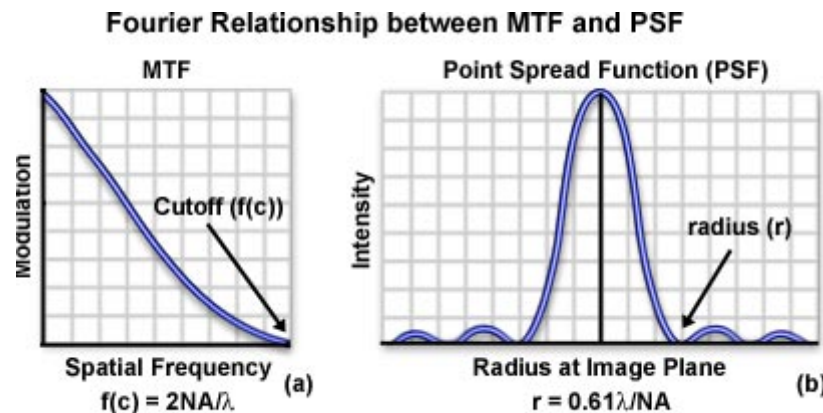
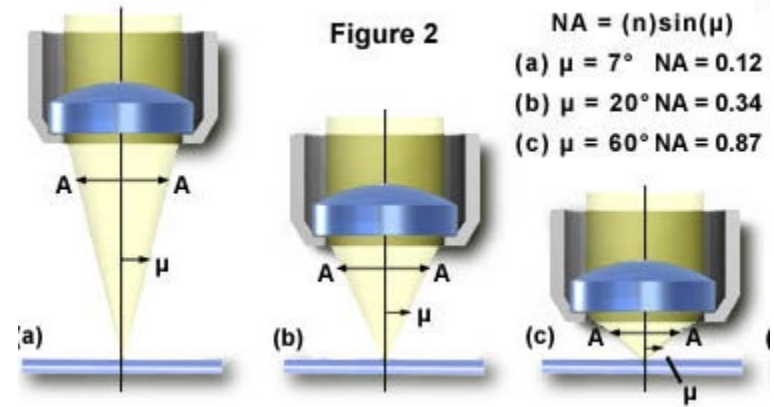


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Numerical Aperture

- Numerical aperture (NA) determines microscope resolution and light collection power.



$$NA = n \cdot \sin \mu$$

n : refractive index of the medium between the lens and the specimen

μ : half of the angular aperture

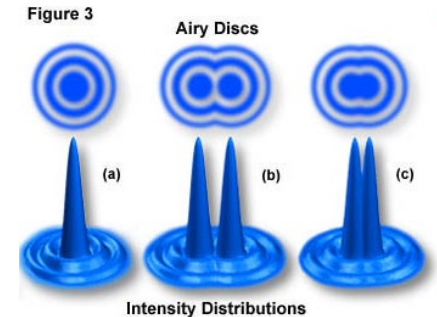
Different Definition of Light Microscopy Resolution Limit (Demo)

- Rayleigh limit

$$D = \frac{0.61\lambda}{NA}$$

- Sparrow limit

$$D = \frac{0.47\lambda}{NA}$$



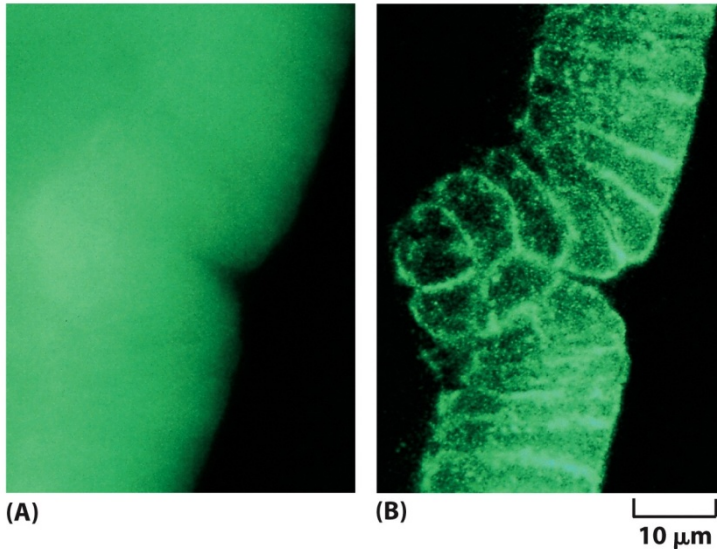
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Summary: High Resolution Microscopy

- Size of cellular features are typically on the scale of a micron or smaller.
- To resolve such features require
 - Shorter wavelength (electron microscopy)
 - High numerical aperture (resolution)
 - High magnification (spatial sampling)

$$D = \frac{0.61\lambda}{NA}$$

Widefield vs Confocal Microscopy



Confocal and Widefield Fluorescence Microscopy

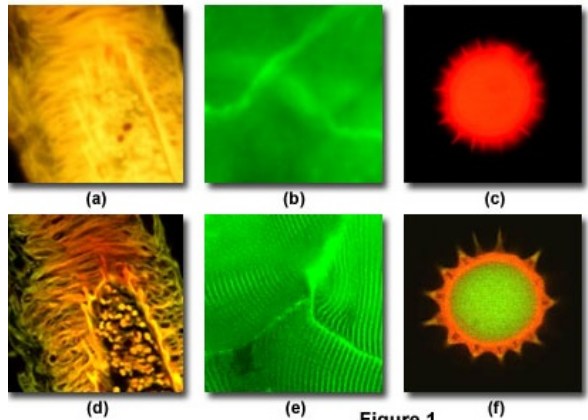


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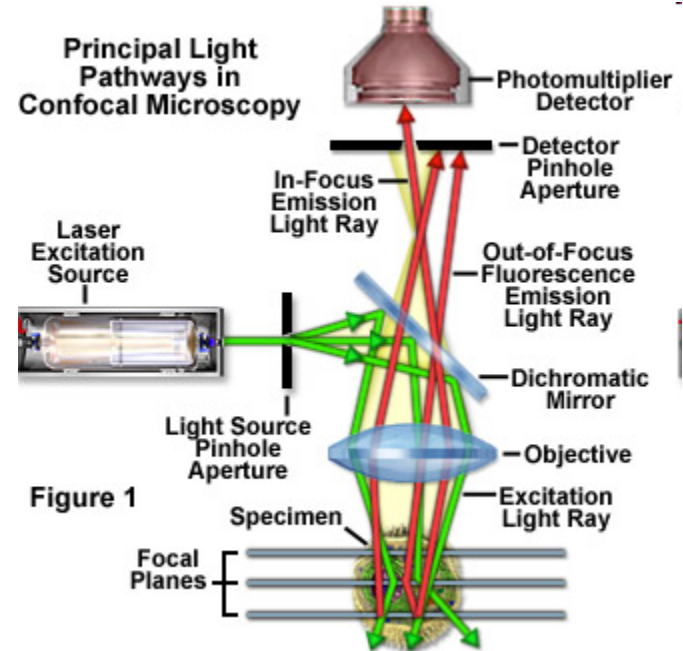


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Widefield versus Confocal Point Scanning of Specimens

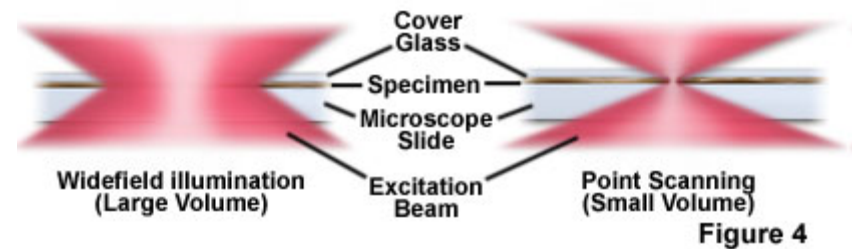
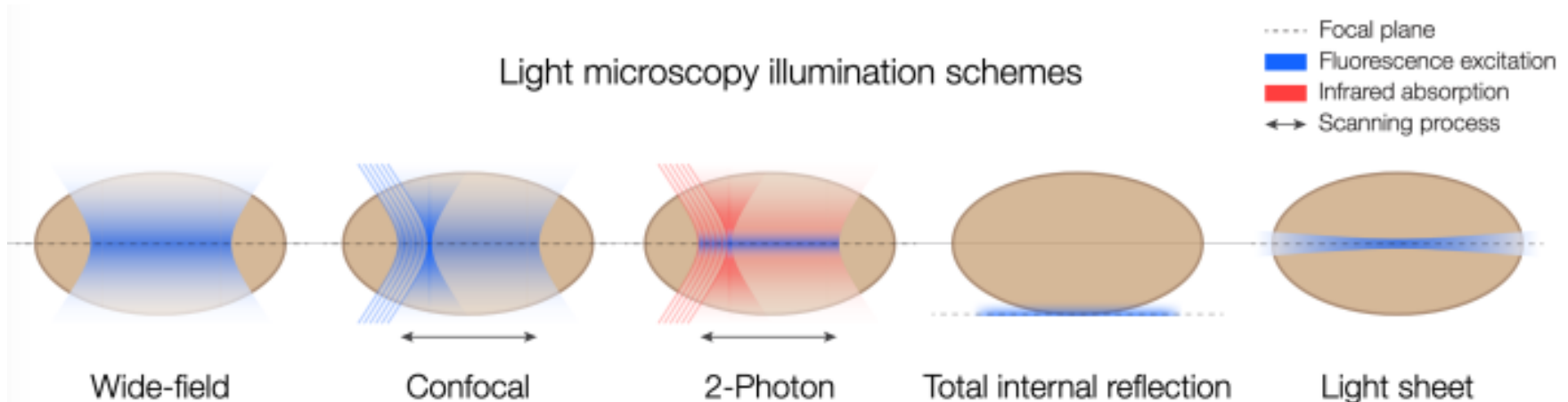


Figure 4

<http://www.olympusfluoview.com/theory/confocalintro.html>

Summary of Different Illumination Configurations

Light microscopy illumination schemes



<https://involv3d.org/principles/>

Questions?