

SUMMER WORKSHOP ON BIOAFM MICROSCOPY 2023, BRNO CZECH REPUBLIC

Integration of AFM with other techniques

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Outline

1 AFM and optical microscopy

2 AFM and Raman

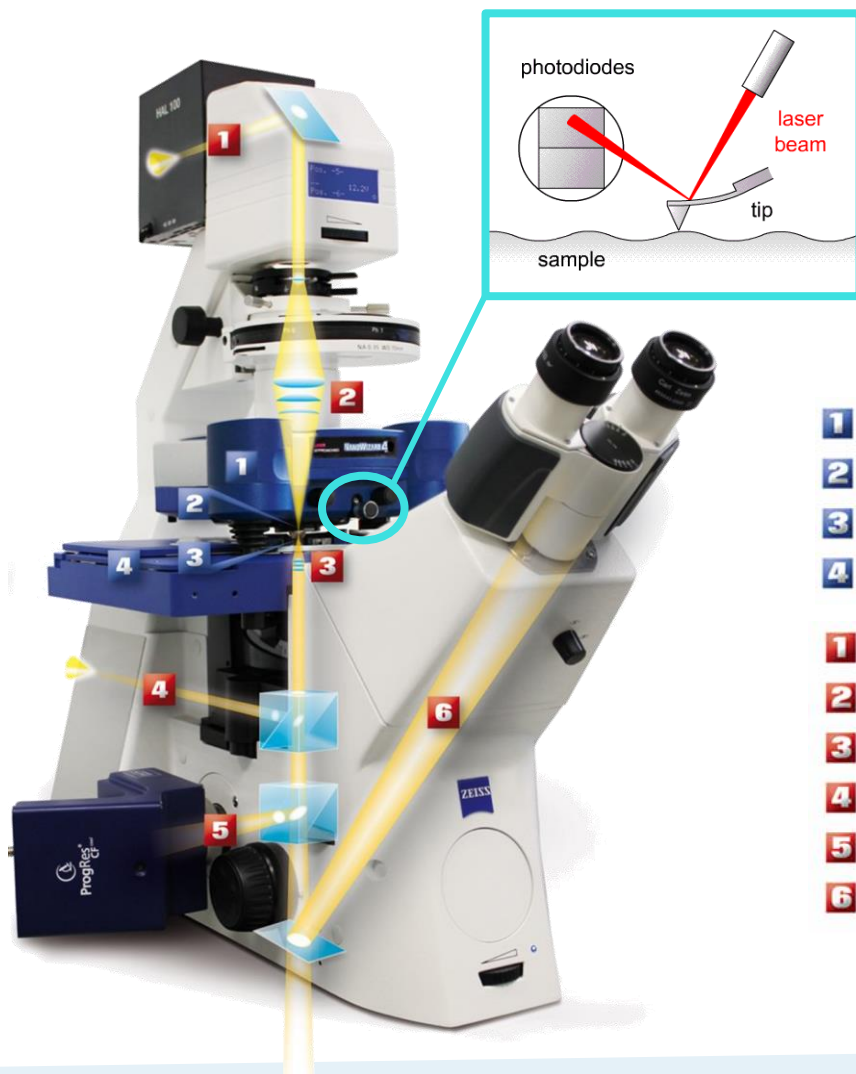
3 AFM and nanoIR

4 AFM and FluidFM

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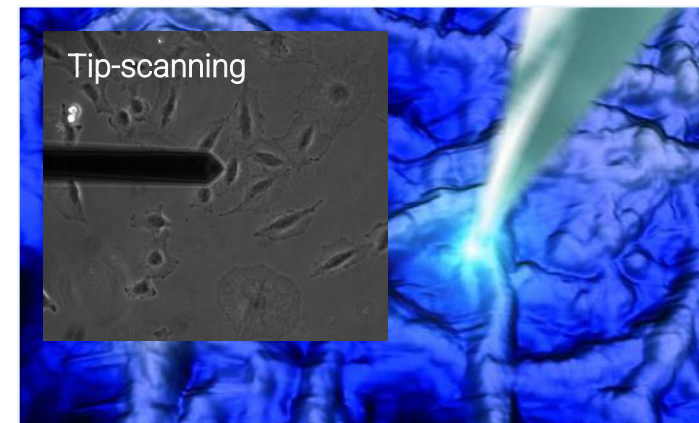
AFM and optical microscopy

BioAFM and optical microscopy integration



- 1** NanoWizard® head
- 2** Cantilever holder
- 3** Petri dish
- 4** Motorized stage

- 1** Transmission light beam path
- 2** Condenser lens
- 3** Objective
- 4** Fluorescence excitation path (backport)
- 5** Side port with fluorescence camera
- 6** Eye piece beam path

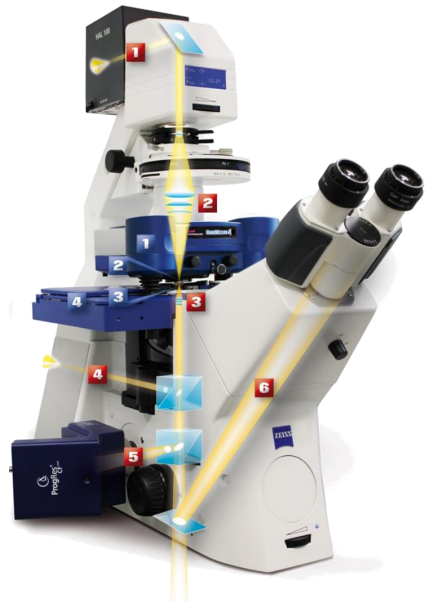


While in motion, the tip scanner of the NanoWizard® AFM scans the surface of your steady probe.



While scanning the surface, a sample scanning AFM moves the sample holder.

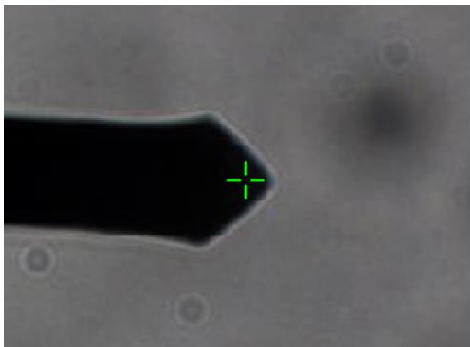
Optical integration perfected



- Tip-scanner AFM design means sample does not move while AFM is scanning
- Standard condenser strongly recommended, particularly for living cells
- Perfect integration with inverted optical microscopes
- Compatible with optical super-resolution techniques (STED, STORM/PALM, SIM)
- Fully simultaneous operation with fluorescence, even for TIRF, FRET, FLIM, FRAP, FCS, Raman, SNOM...

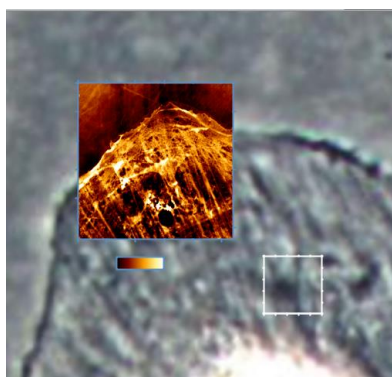


DirectOverlay™ 2 - optical image calibration

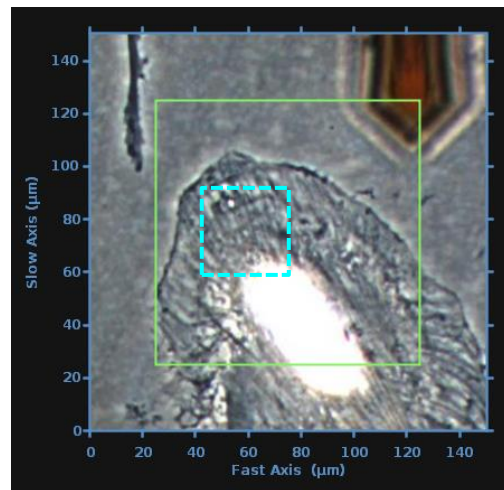


Automatic detection of the tip position in the optical image

→ Correlation of optical and AFM space

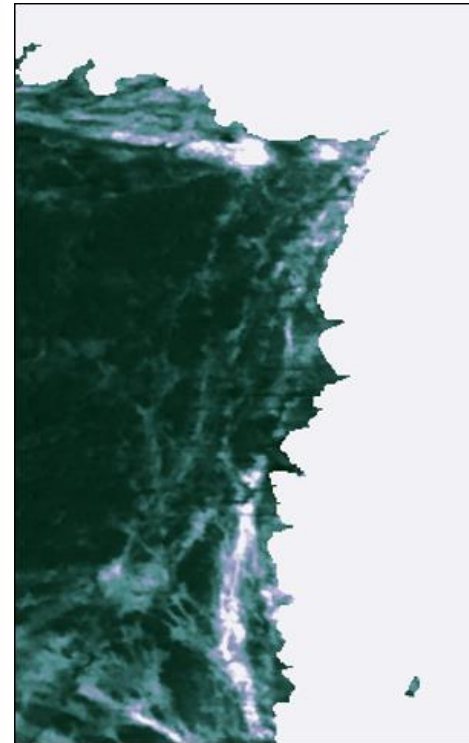
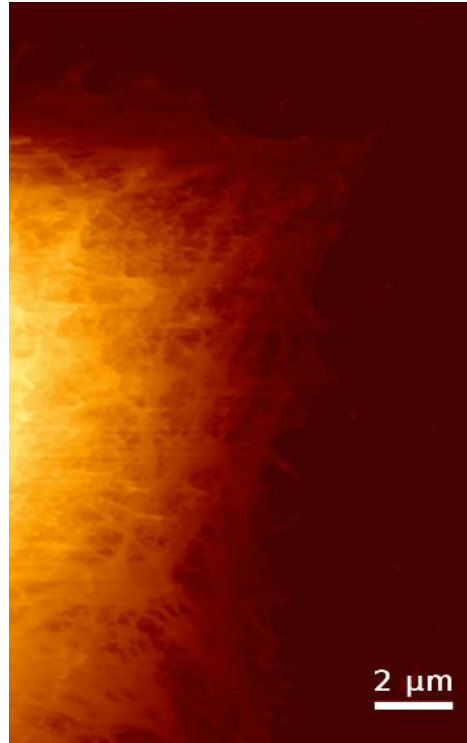
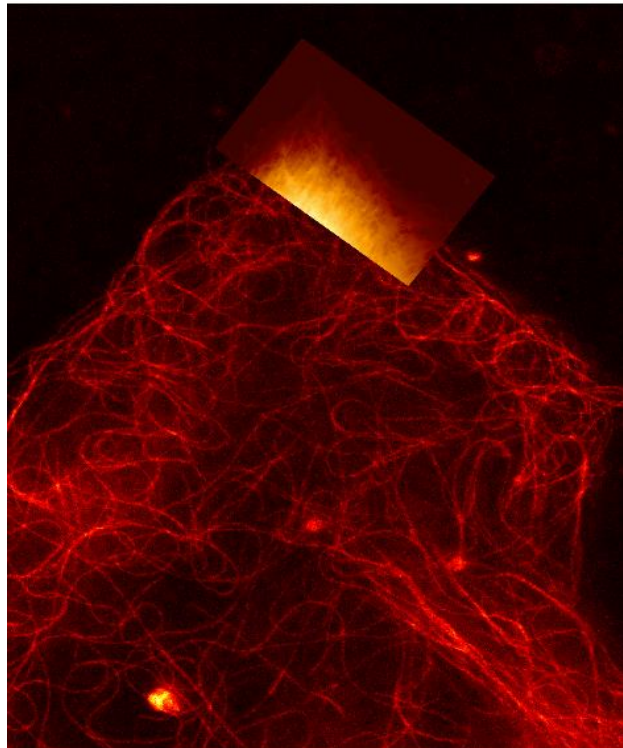


All AFM images can be selected in the optical image



- Import optical image into the AFM software
- Select region of interest and start scanning

AFM & STED on living human lung cancer cells (A549)



- Living A549 cells imaged at 37°C in medium.
- Left: STED image of microtubules labelled with silicon rhodamine overlaid with AFM topography
- Mid: AFM QI topography image at 240 pN imaging force (height range 3.5 μm)
- Right: Corresponding Young's modulus image (z range 100 kPa)

Collaboration with Abberior Instruments – STEDYCON on Zeiss Axio Observer

Sample courtesy of A. Hermann group, HU Berlin, DE

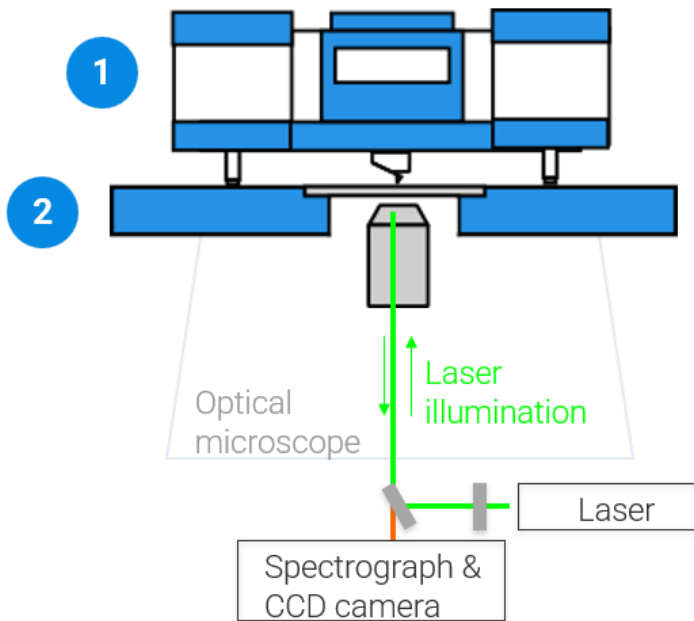
02 AFM and Raman



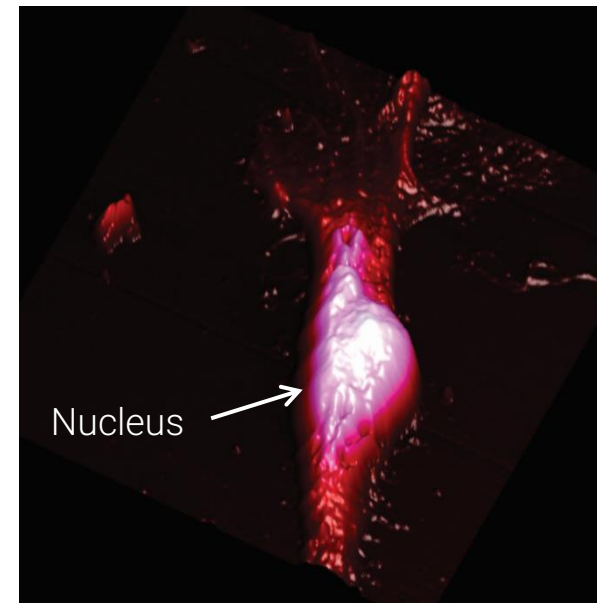
AFM and Raman

What is Raman spectroscopy?

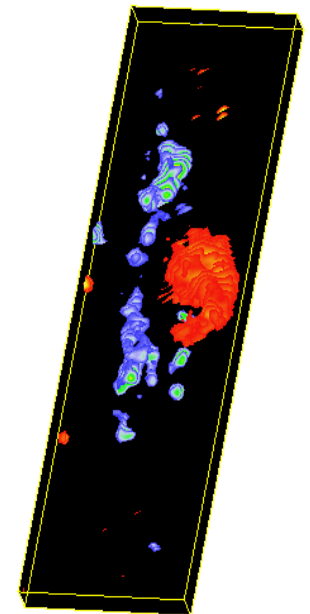
- Inelastic scattering of photons -> shift in wavelength -> vibrational modes of molecules
- Non-destructive



AFM-Topography



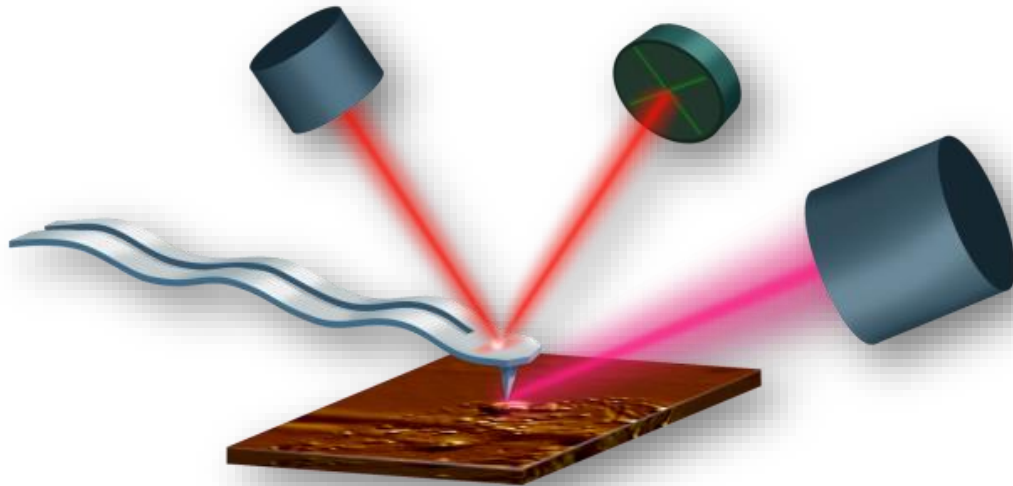
Raman-Map



03 AFM and nanoIR



Nanoscale IR spectroscopy in the life sciences



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INSTRUMENTS
The nanoscale analysis company

is a part of Bruker

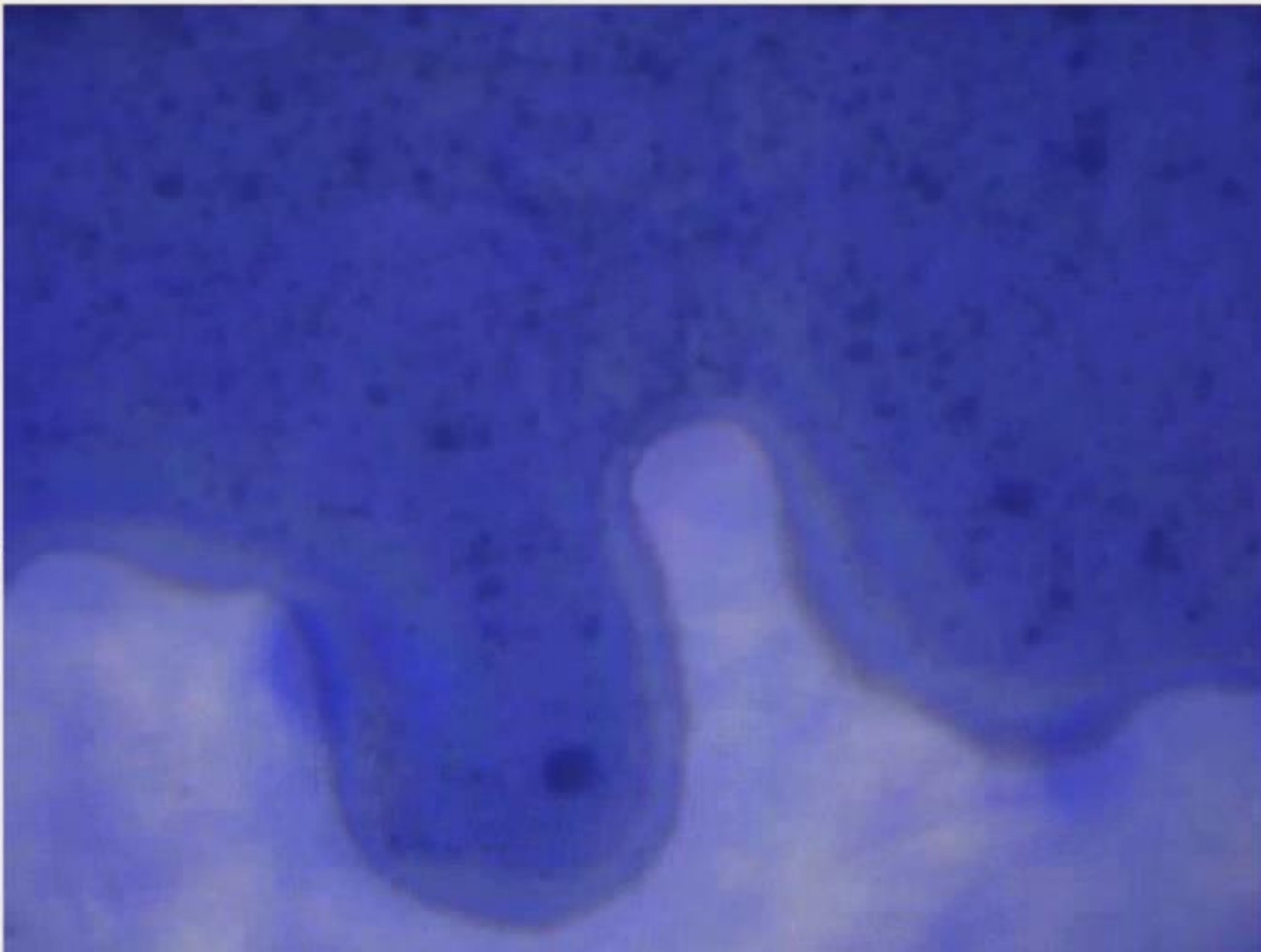


nanoIR3™
nanoIR platform with Tapping AFM-IR



Dimension IconIR

**Optical
microscope
view**



Accumulation of TriAcylGlycerols in *Streptomyces* Species

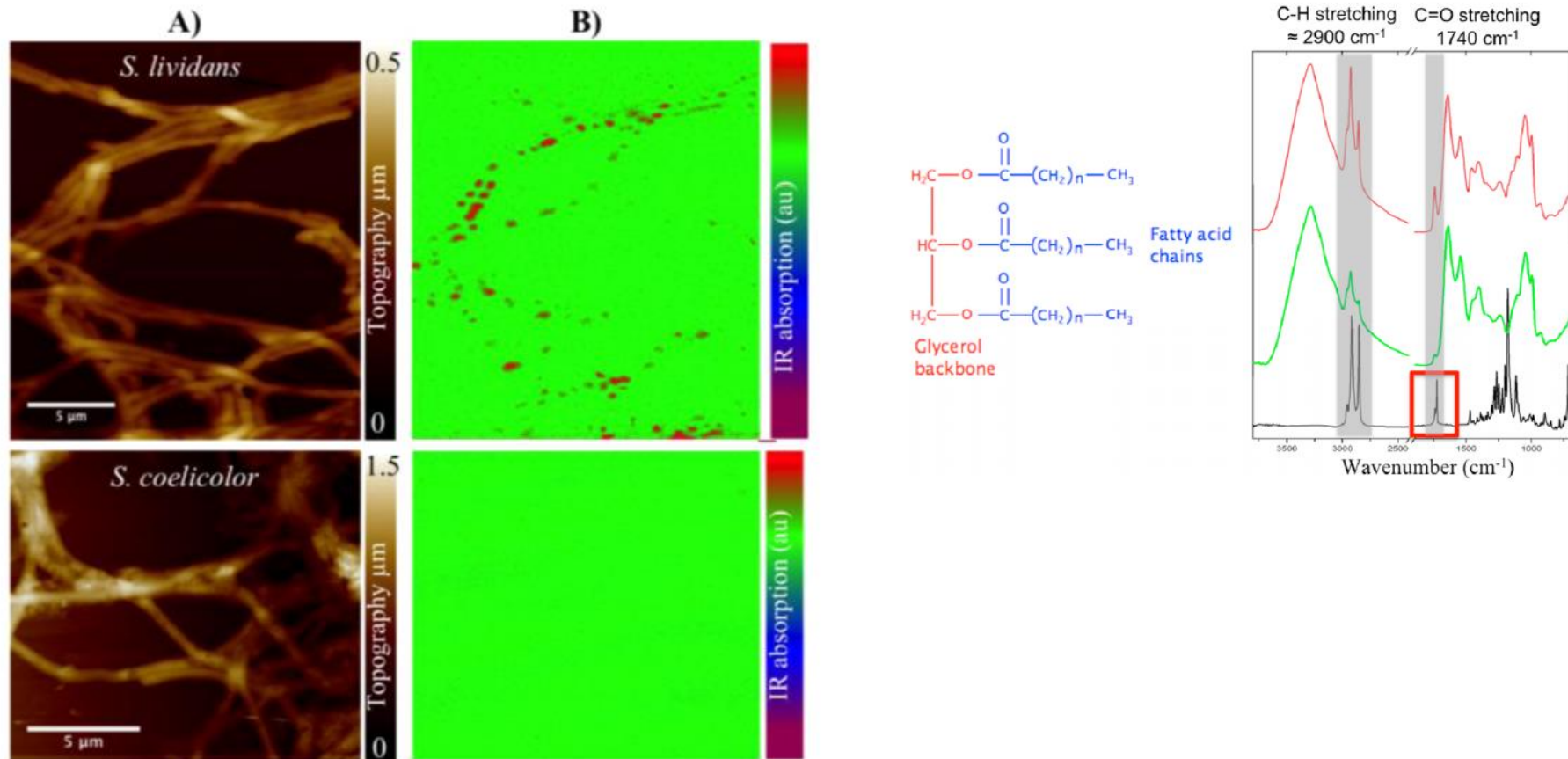


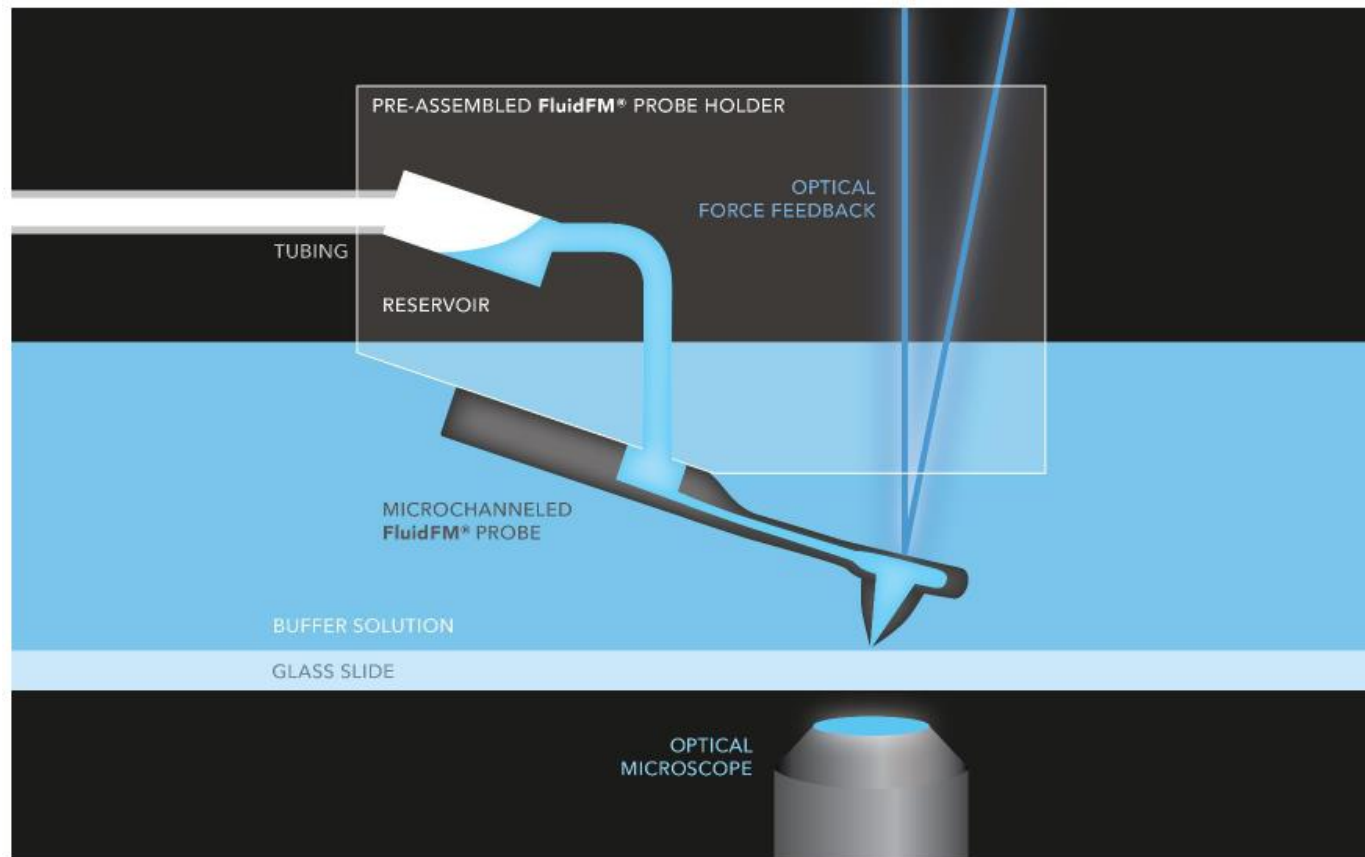
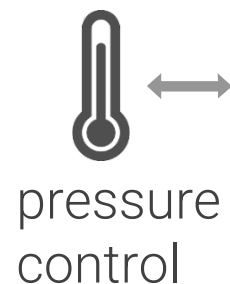
Figure 3. (A) AFM topography and (B) chemical mapping at 1740 cm⁻¹ for the two strains.

Deniset-Besseau, et al, Chem. Lett., 5 (4) 654–658 (2014)

04 AFM and FluidFM



FluidFM technology



FluidFM

- 300 nm - 8 μ m aperture
- ~5 pL volume
- Femtoliters per second flow

FluidFM Probes

Probe = consumable

- Pre-mounted
- Easy to use
- Reliable

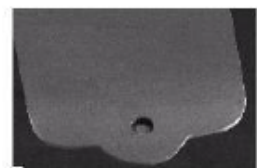
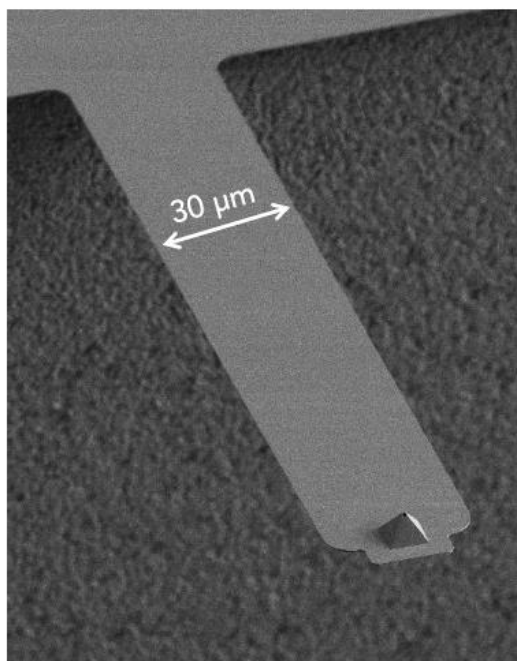


FluidFM probe blister

- Clean and robust
- Convenient
- QR-code



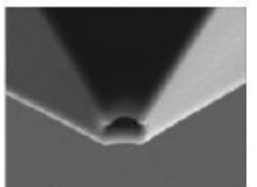
FluidFM probes



FluidFM micropipette

0.3 – 4N/m, aperture sizes: 2, 4, 8 µm

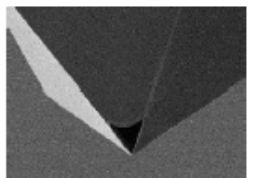
Single cell manipulation, colloids, local dispensing & single cell isolation and adhesion



FluidFM nanopipette

0.6 – 2N/m, aperture sizes: 300 nm

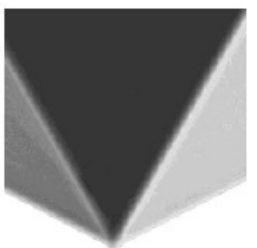
Nano-printing, manipulation of sub µm particles, bacteria adhesion



FluidFM nanosyringe

2 N/m, aperture sizes: 800 nm

Injection into & extraction from Single cells



FluidFM prototyping probe

Aperture can be customized with Focused Ion Beam (FIB)

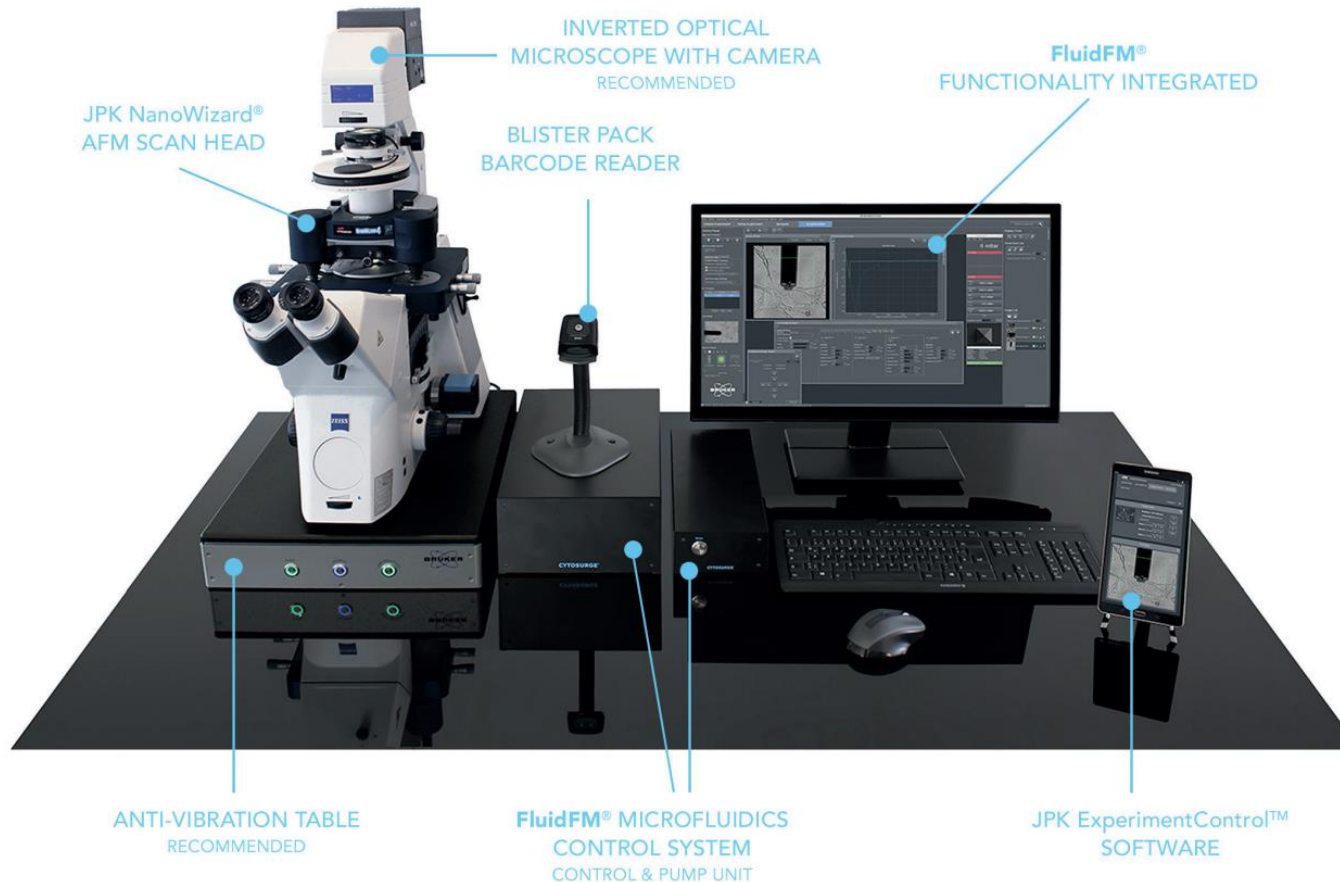
0.6 – 2 N/m, 30+ nm

Application depending on the customization

Technical implementation on NanoWizard AFM



Cantilever holder with Cyto clip mounted on AFM head

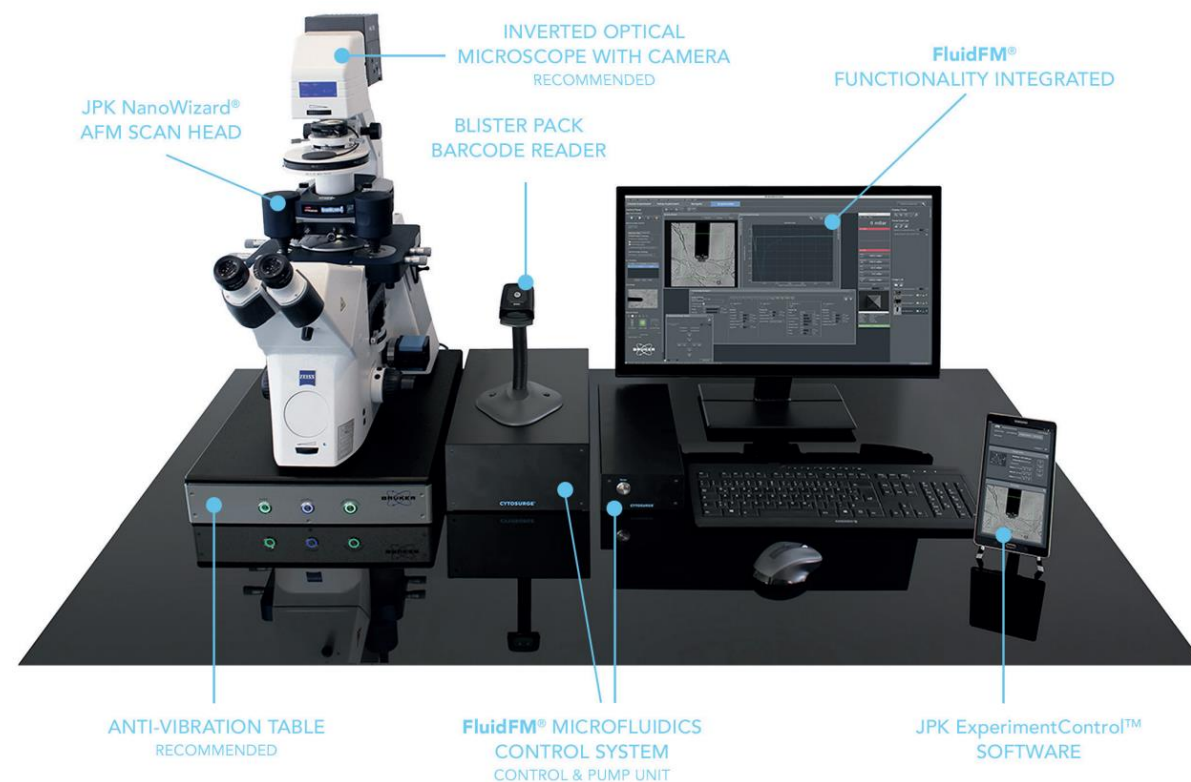
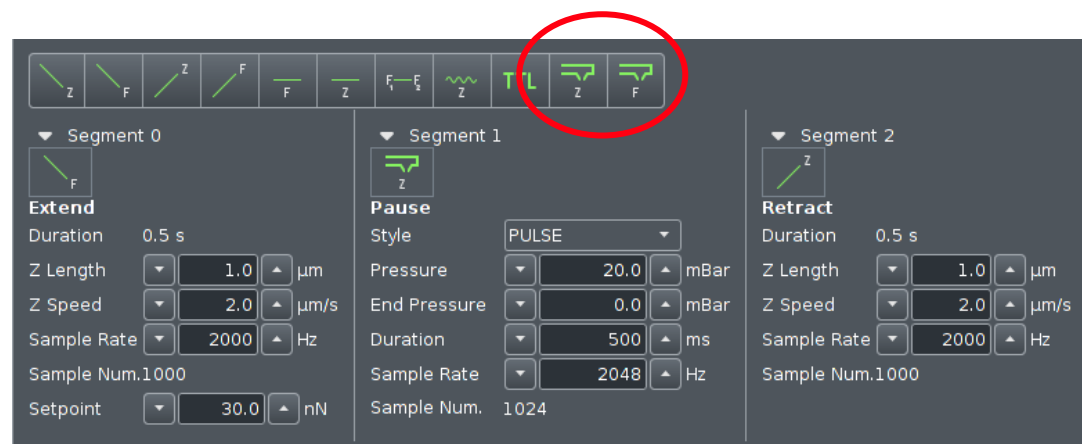


Technical implementation on NanoWizard

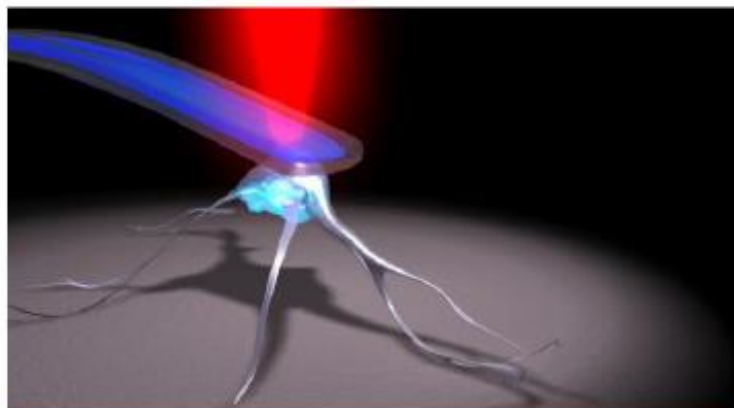


Software integration:

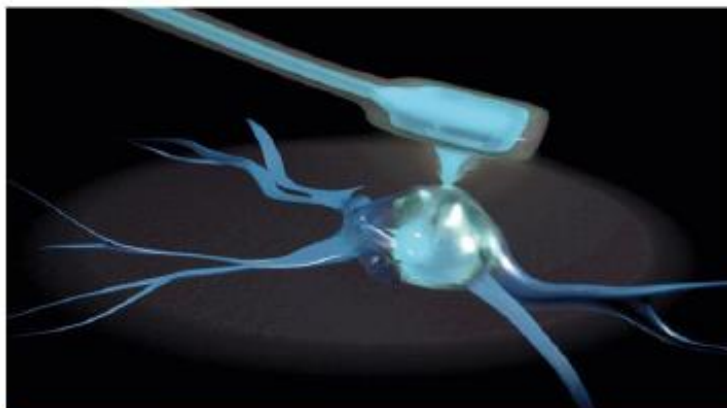
- Manual application of negative/positive pressure
- Pulses or continuous pressure
- Integration of pressure application in force ramps/automated force experiments.



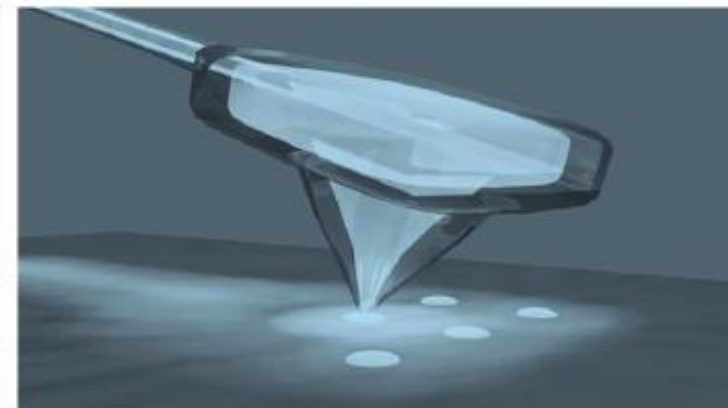
Major FluidFM applications



FluidFM micropipette
PICK & PLACE MICRO OBJECTS

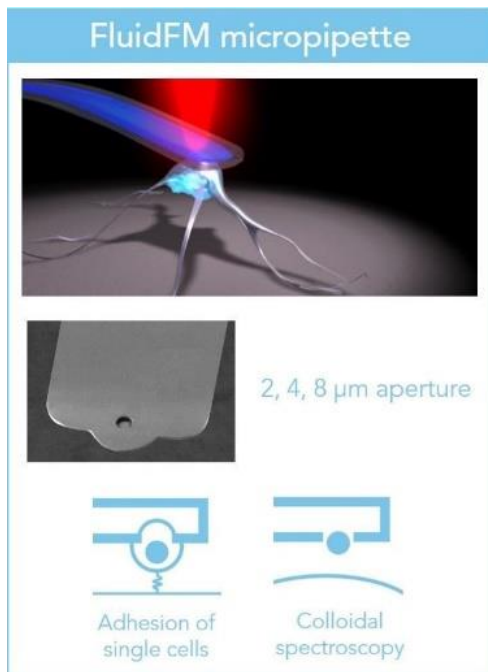


FluidFM nanosyringe
NANO-INJECT & NANO-EXTRACT

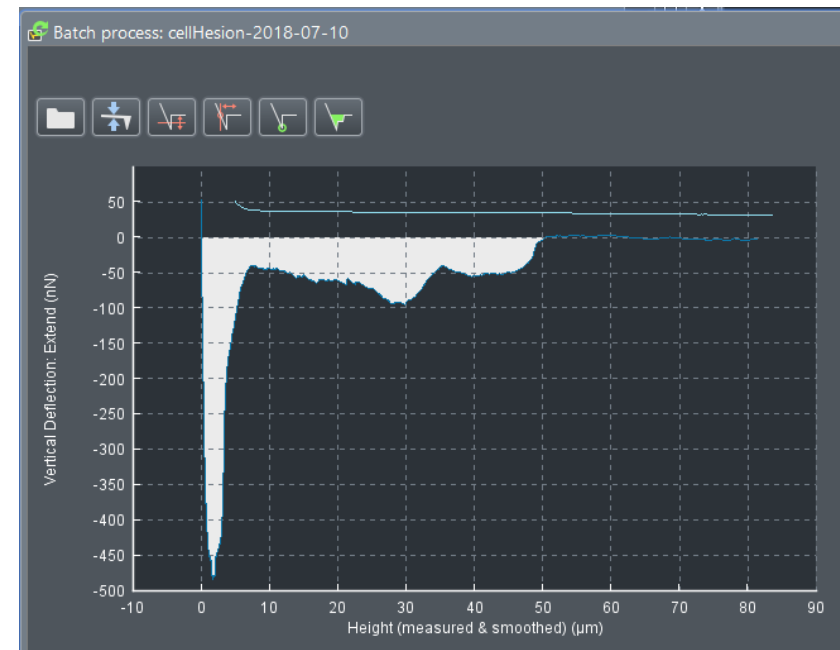


FluidFM nanopipette
BIOPRINT & METAL 3D PRINT

Cell adhesion/separation of adherently growing cells



Phase contrast of living cells. A $4\mu\text{m}$ micropipette is used to separate the cell from the substrate.



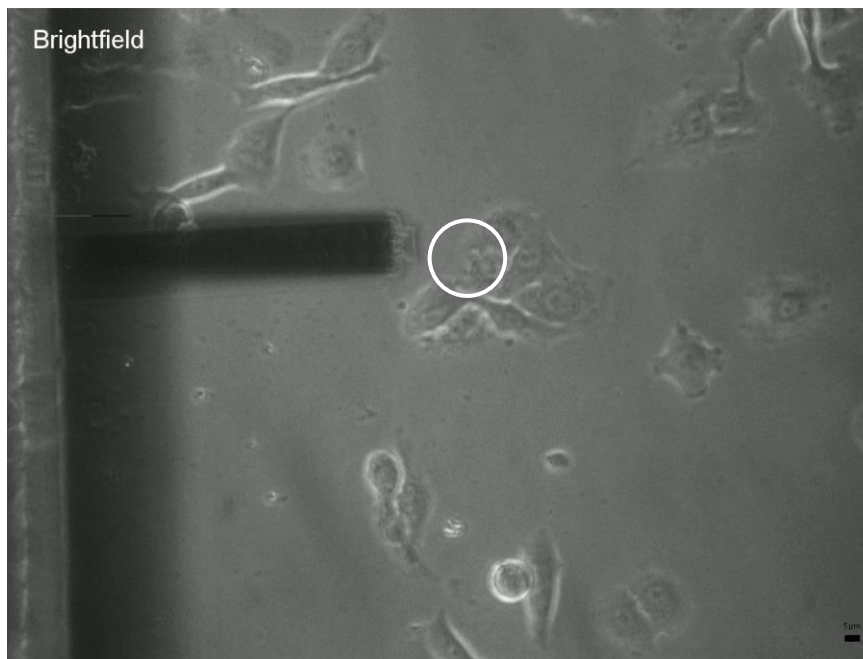
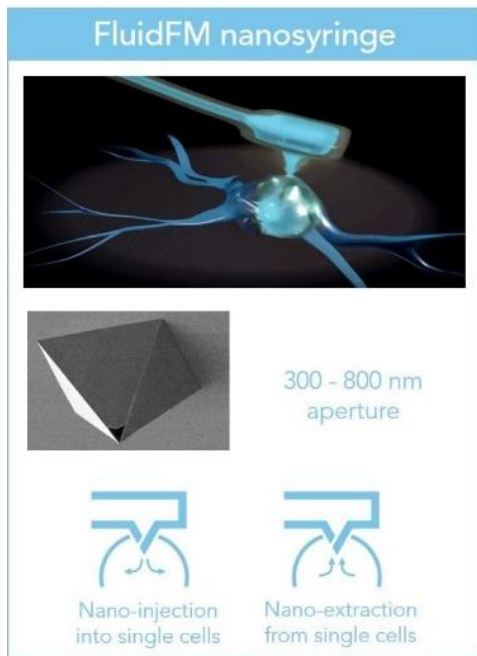
Resulting force distance curve.

30 to 200
CELLS PER DAY

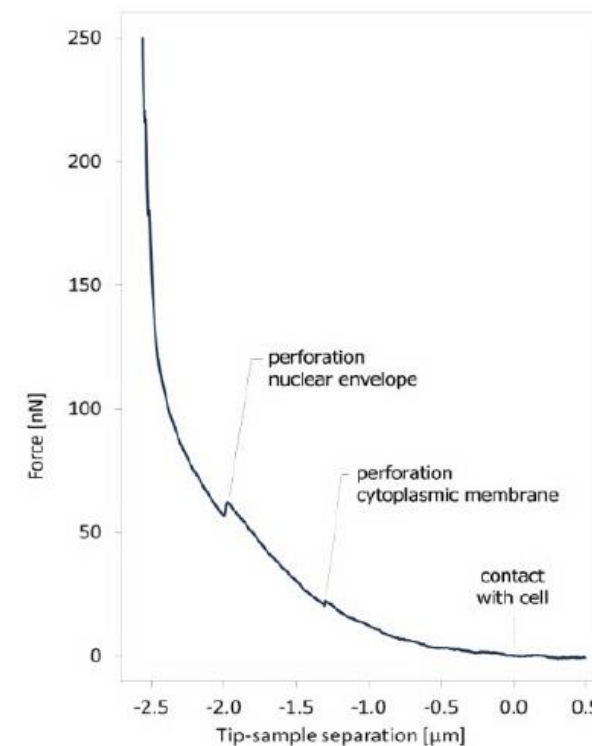
nN to μN
PICK UP ANY CELL

pN
RESOLUTION

Cell injection and extraction



Phase contrast and epifluorescence imaging of living CHO cells. A nanosyringe is used to inject Propidium iodide into the indicated cell

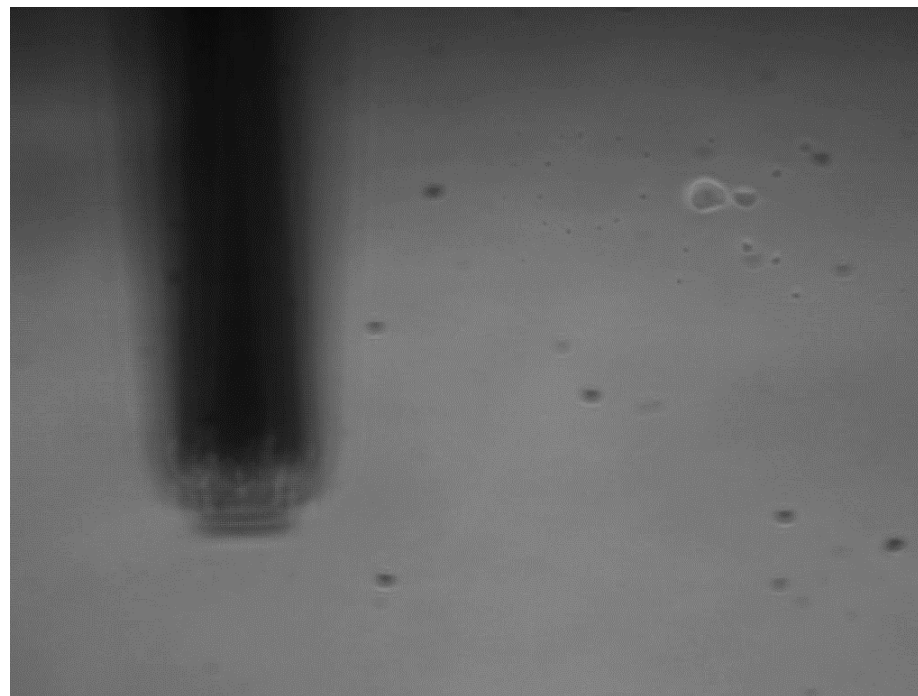
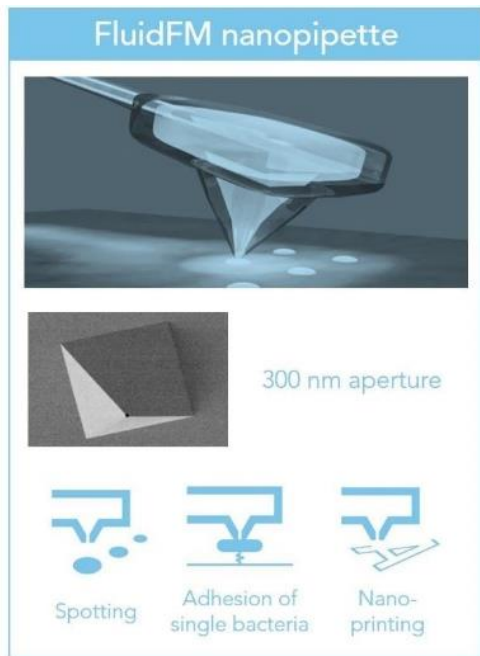


10+
CELLS/HOUR with AFM

90%+
SUCCESS RATE

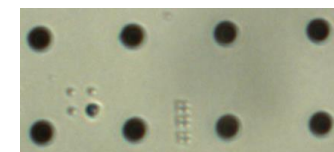
95%+
VIABILITY

Nano spotting

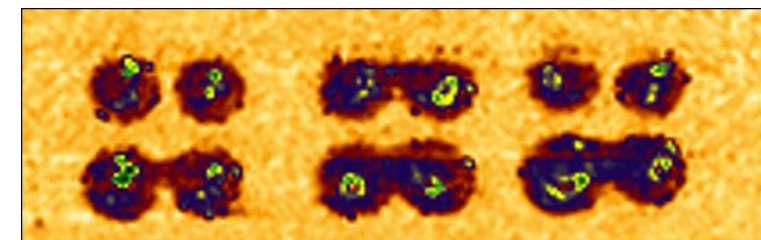
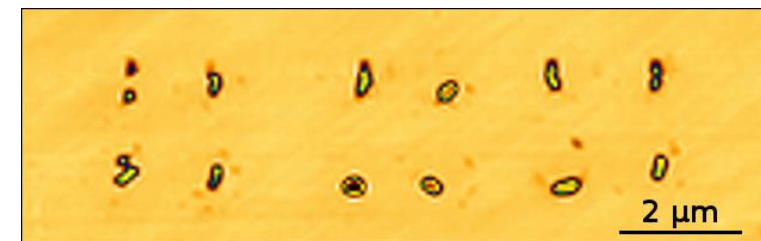


Phase contrast while spotting a glycerol/water mixture on glass.

High reproducibility using the NanoWizard®

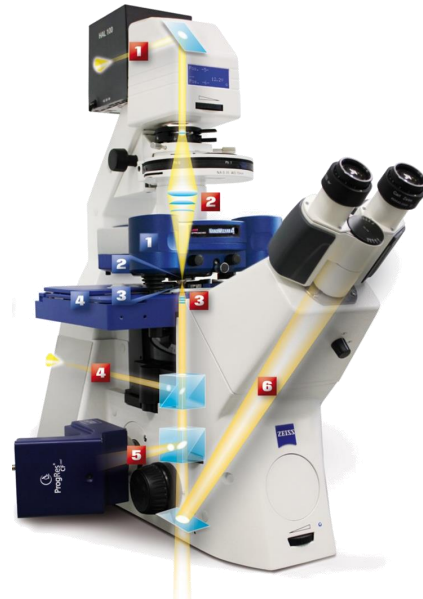


Optical image of the deposited spots: 2x2 maps with $3 \times 3 \mu\text{m}^2$, gap $1.5 \mu\text{m}$.



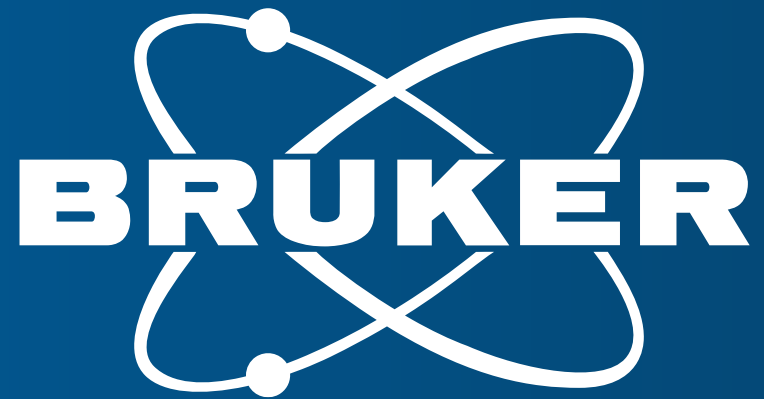
Slope channel useful to calculate the spotting area and volume.

BioAFM is a versatile add-on to any type of microscopy





Thank you!



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