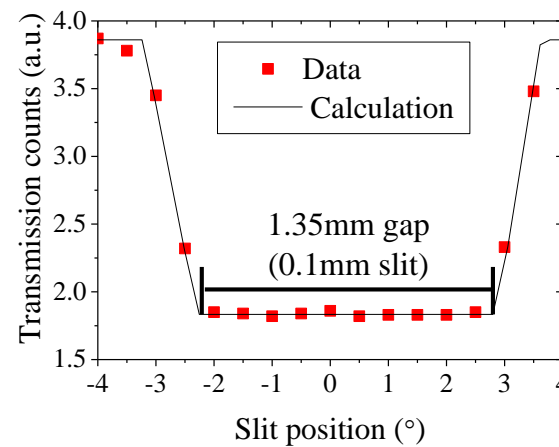
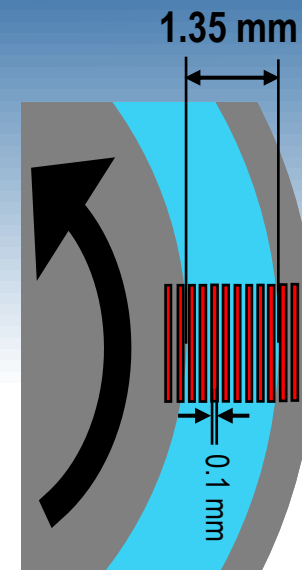
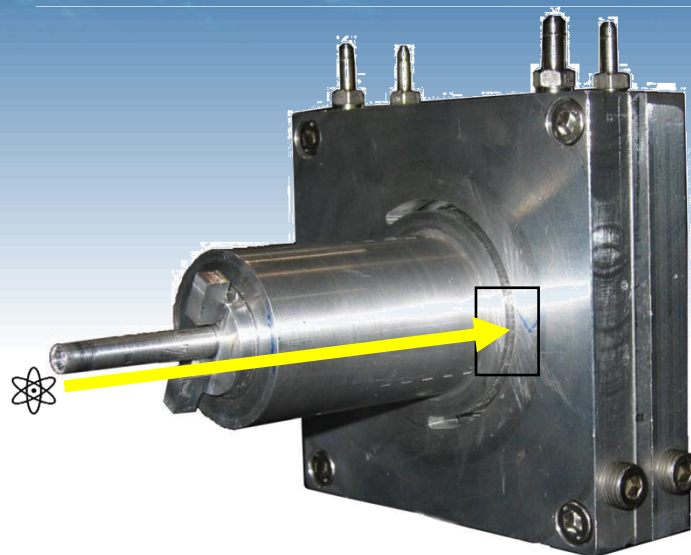
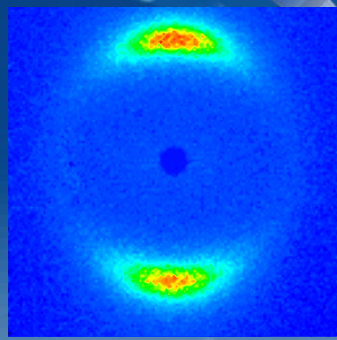


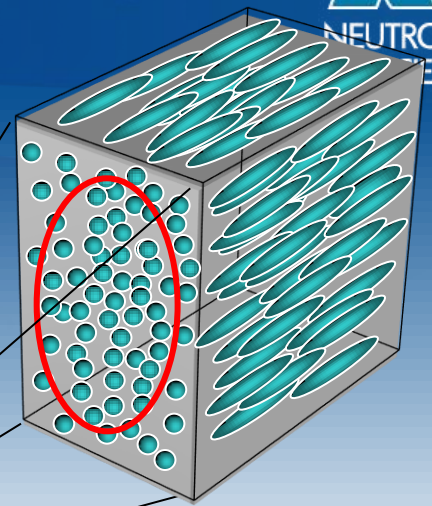
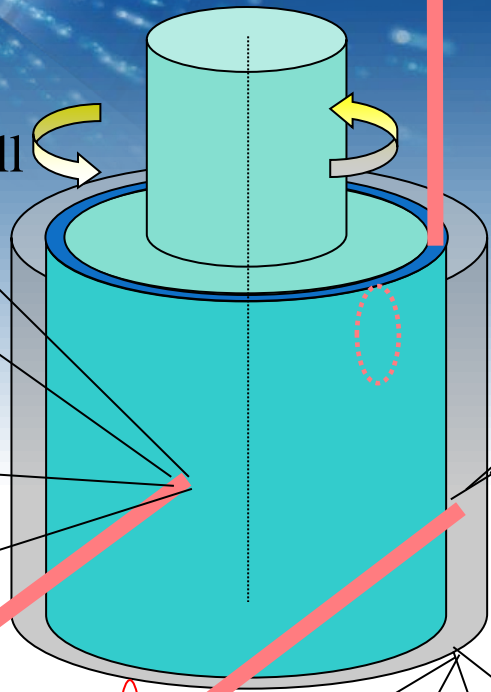
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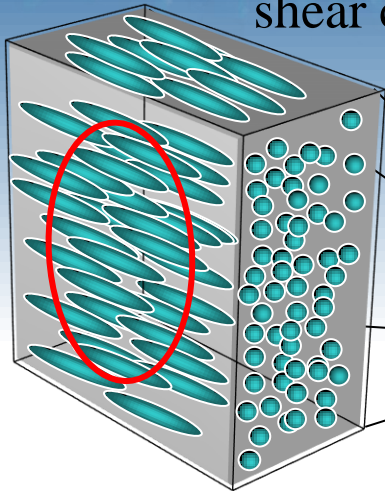
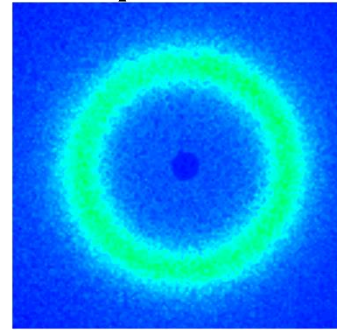
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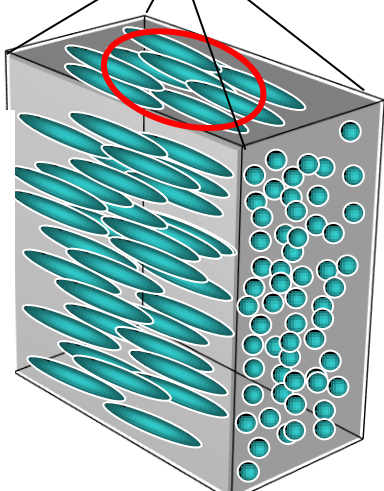
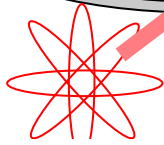
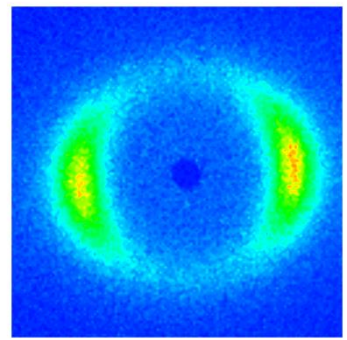
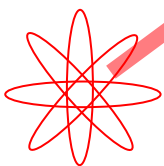
Couette
shear cell



2-3 plane



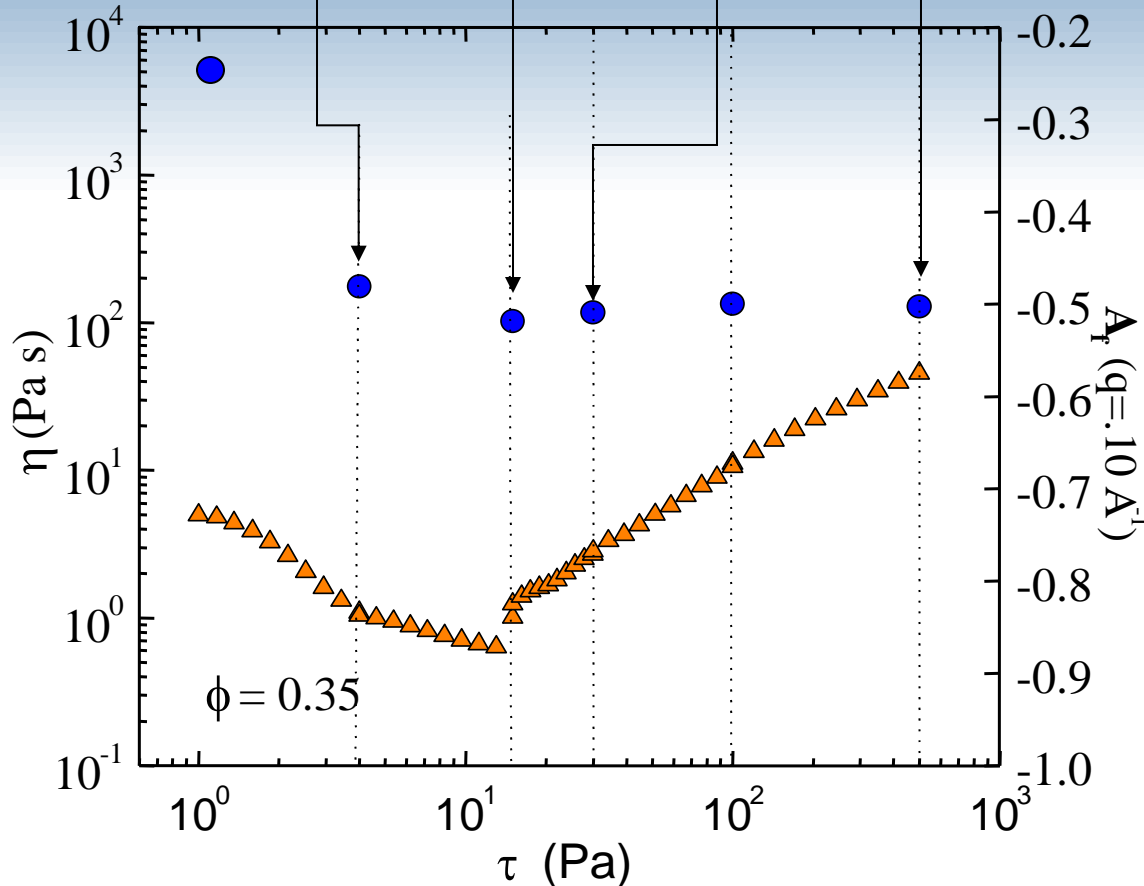
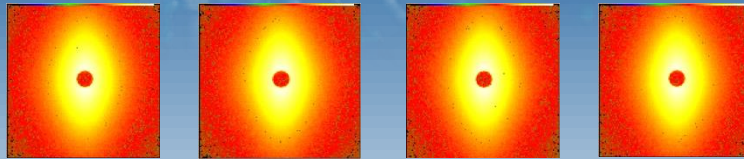
1-3 plane



1-2 plane

Rheo-SANS development: PCC(7:1)/PEG Suspensions

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- Needles of Calcium carbonate in PEG align under shear leading to shear thinning/thickening behavior
- Rheology shows a discontinuity suggesting misalignment of rods at high stress
- **Rheo-SANS proves** that is not the case, and is probably due instead to cluster formation.

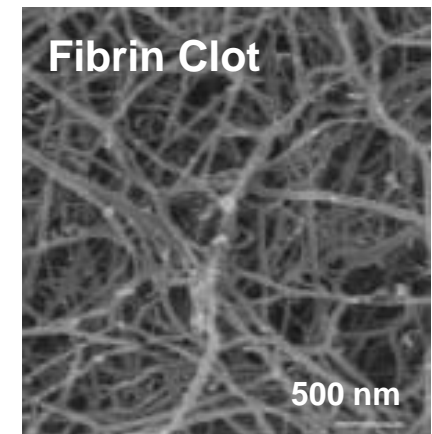
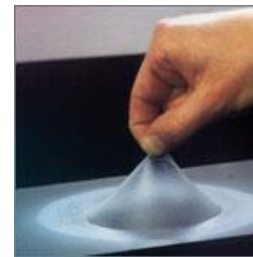
Blood Clots

- Fibrin is the major protein component of blood clots
- First line of defense in haemostasis
- Structural disorders in fibrin are related to thrombosis, hemophilia and stroke
- Engineering Material
(e.g. surgical seals, scaffolds)
- Unique mechanical properties
(elasticity, strain hardening)
- Wide range of relevant length scales
(1 nm – 20mm)



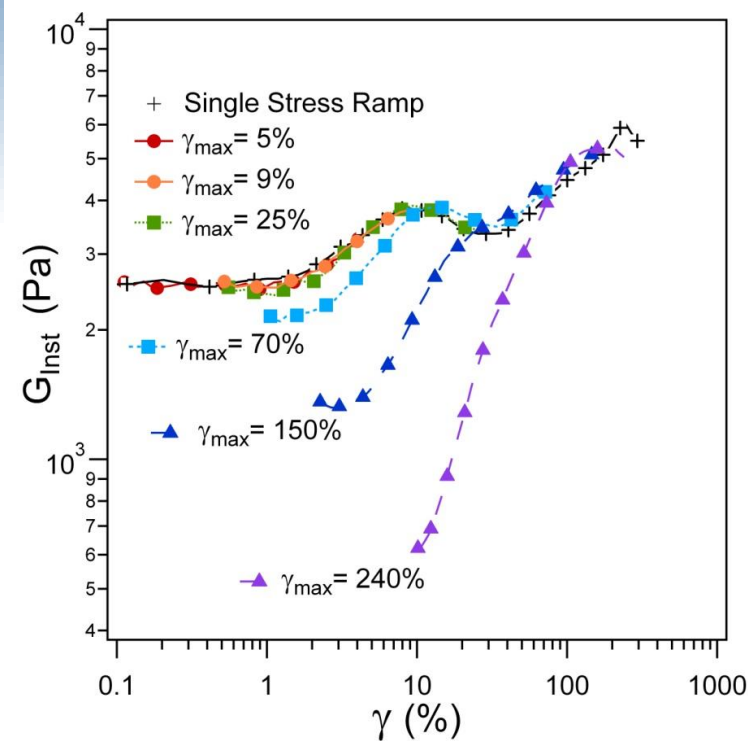
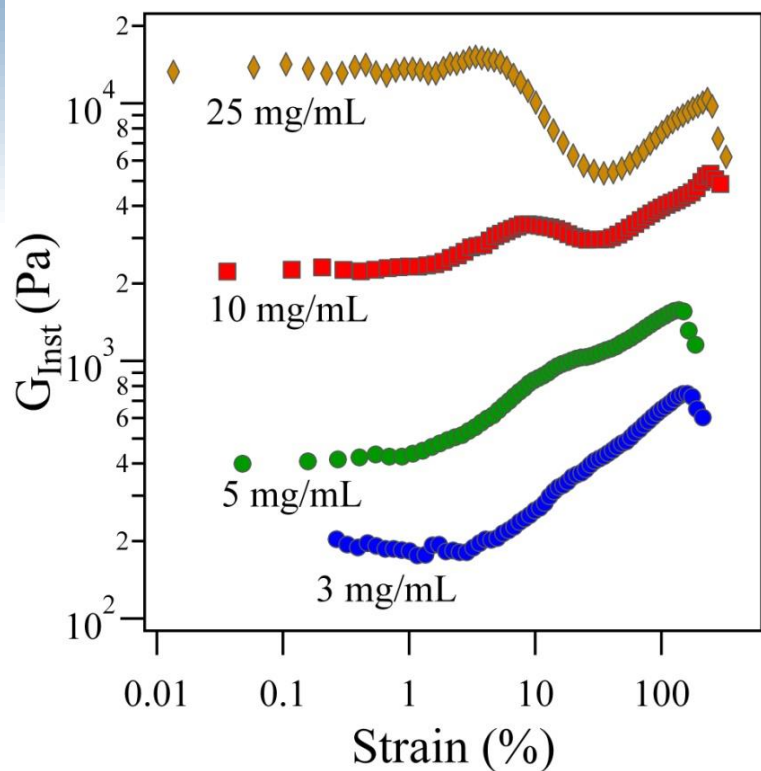
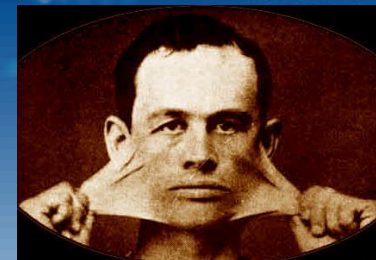
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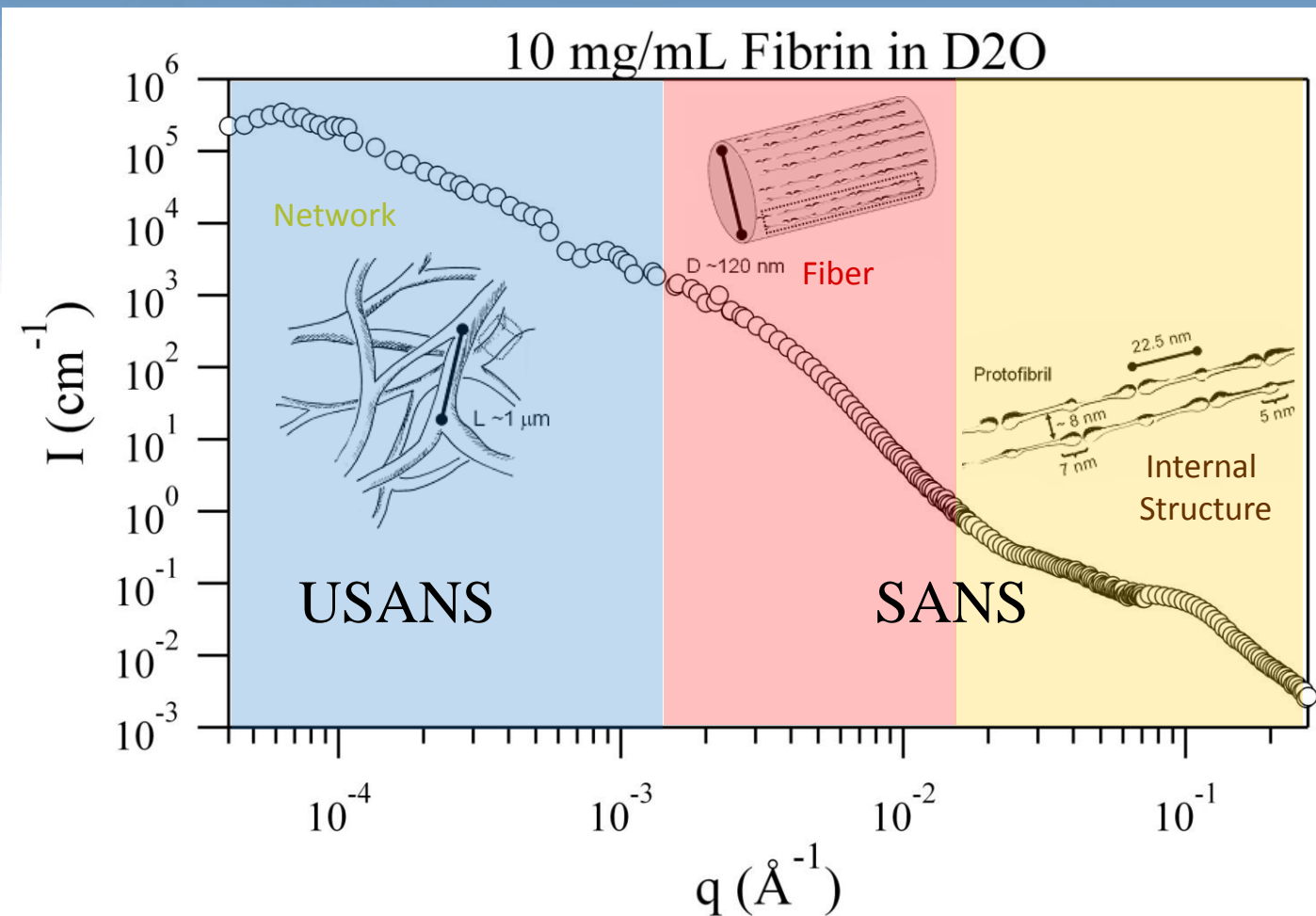
Non-Linear Rheology



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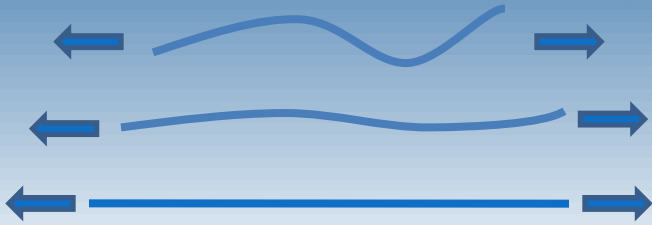
Fibrin gel structural features



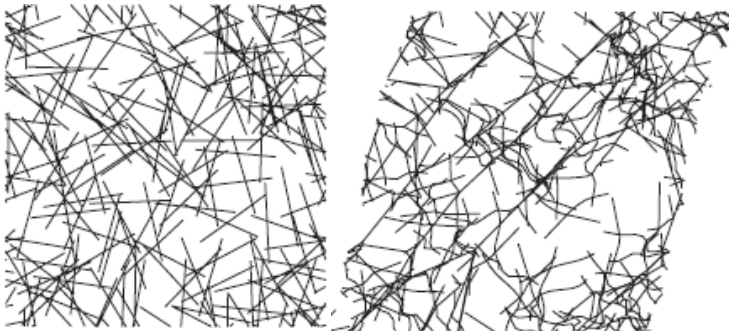
Origin of Strain Hardening

Theoretical Models

Conformational Entropy Reduction¹

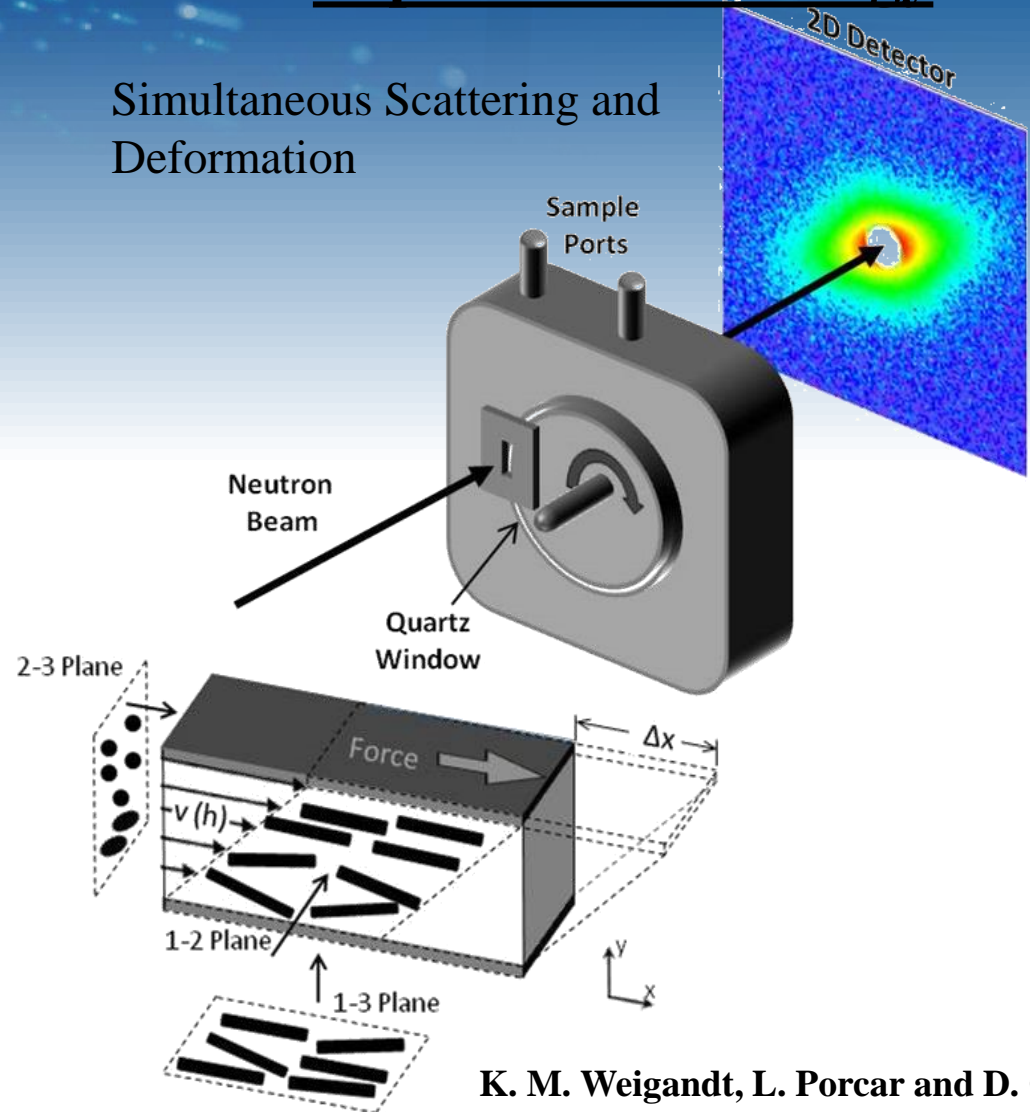


Bending and Stretching²



Experimental Strategy

Simultaneous Scattering and Deformation

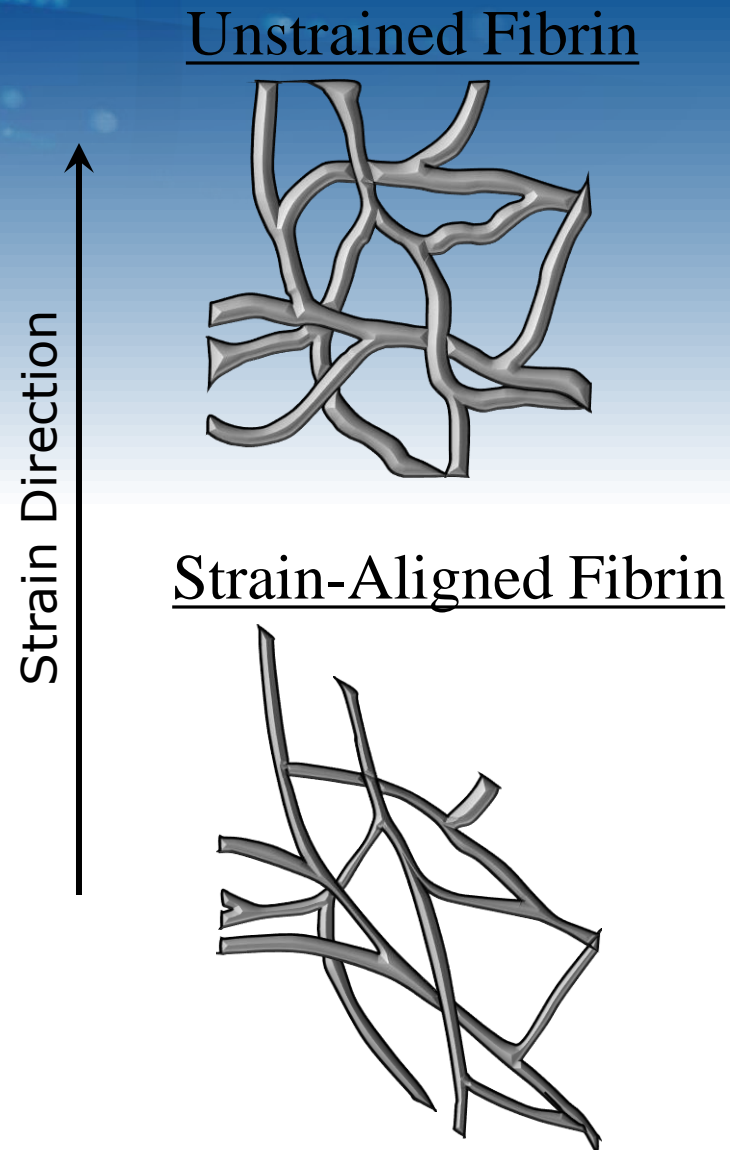
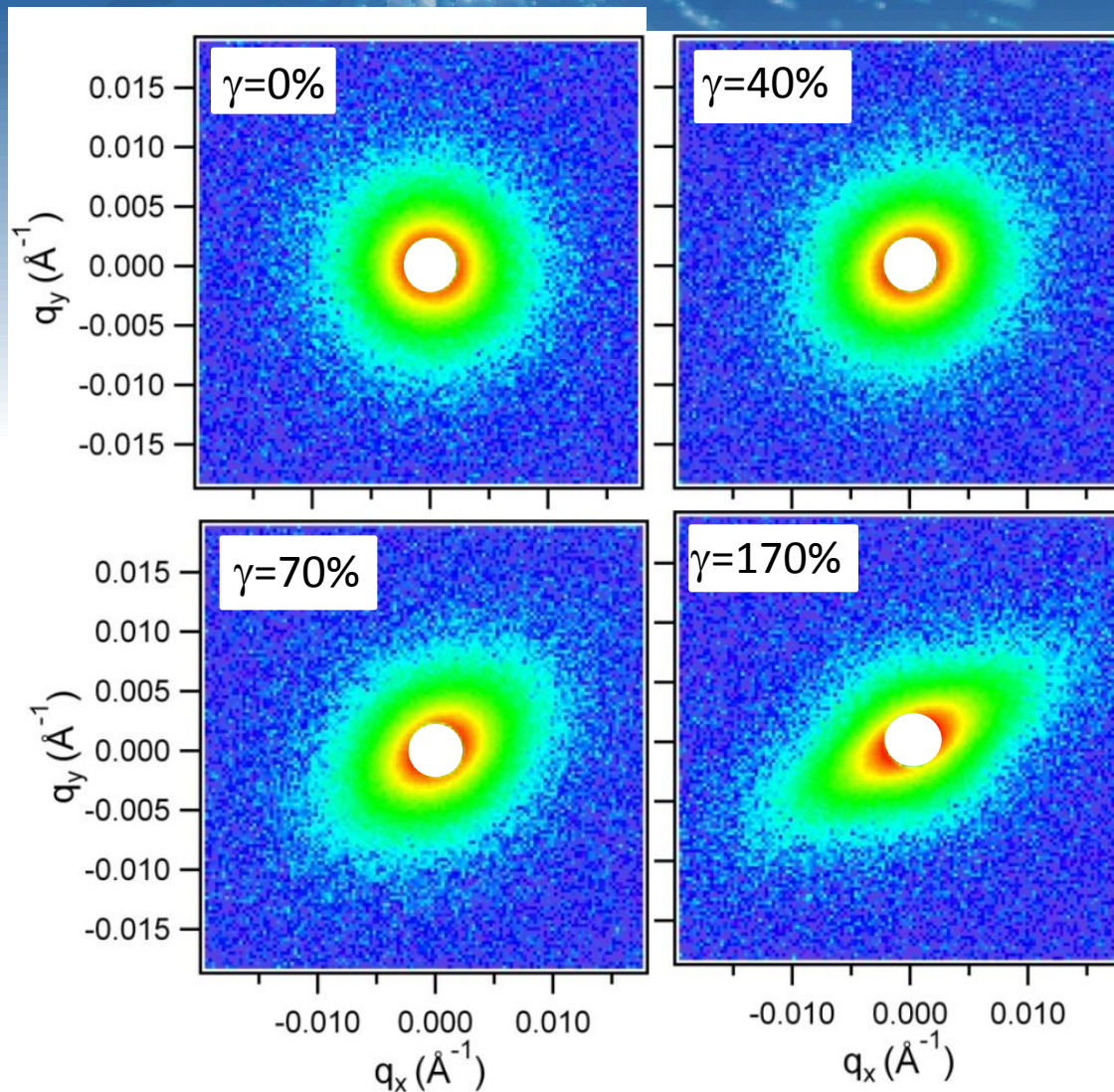


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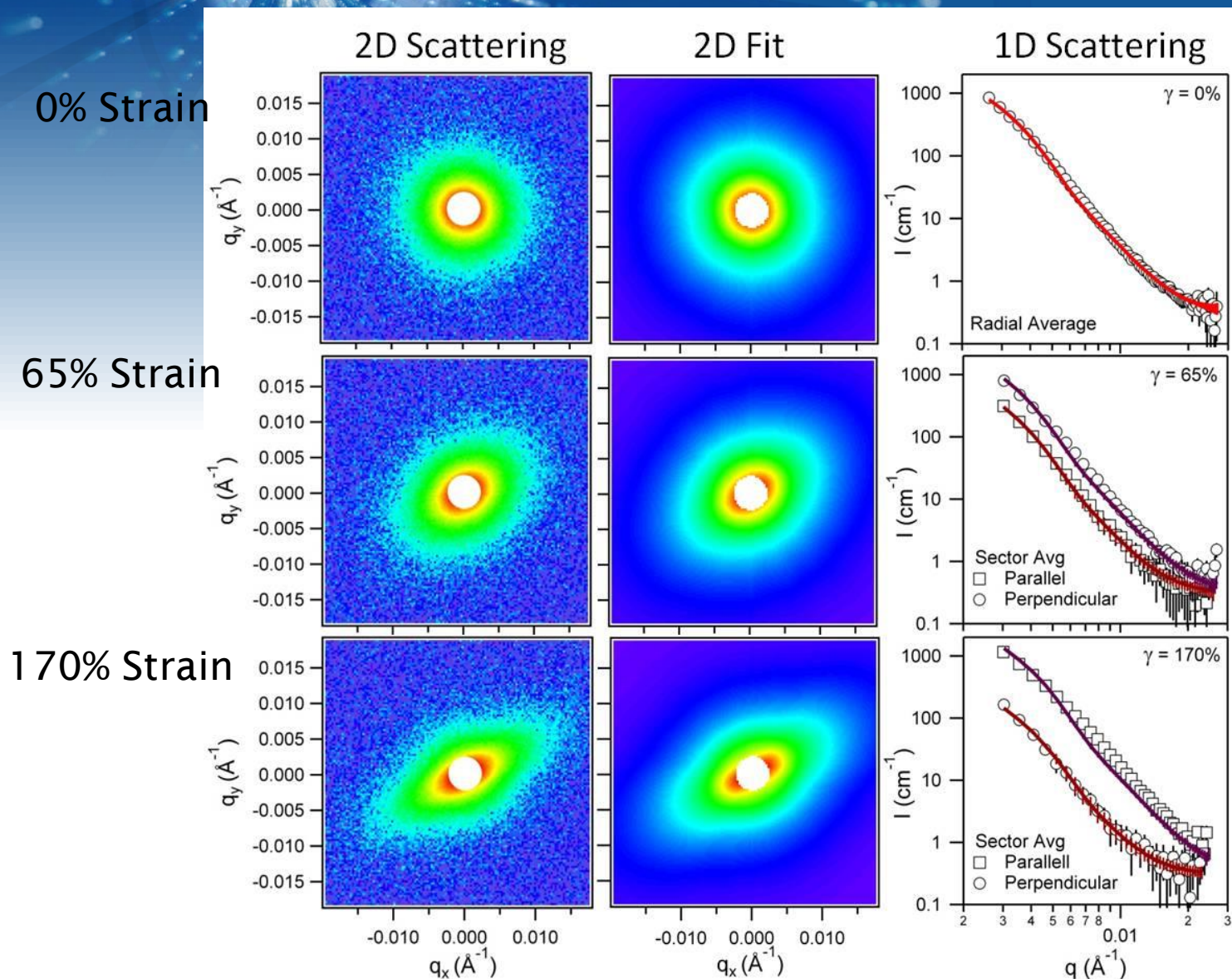
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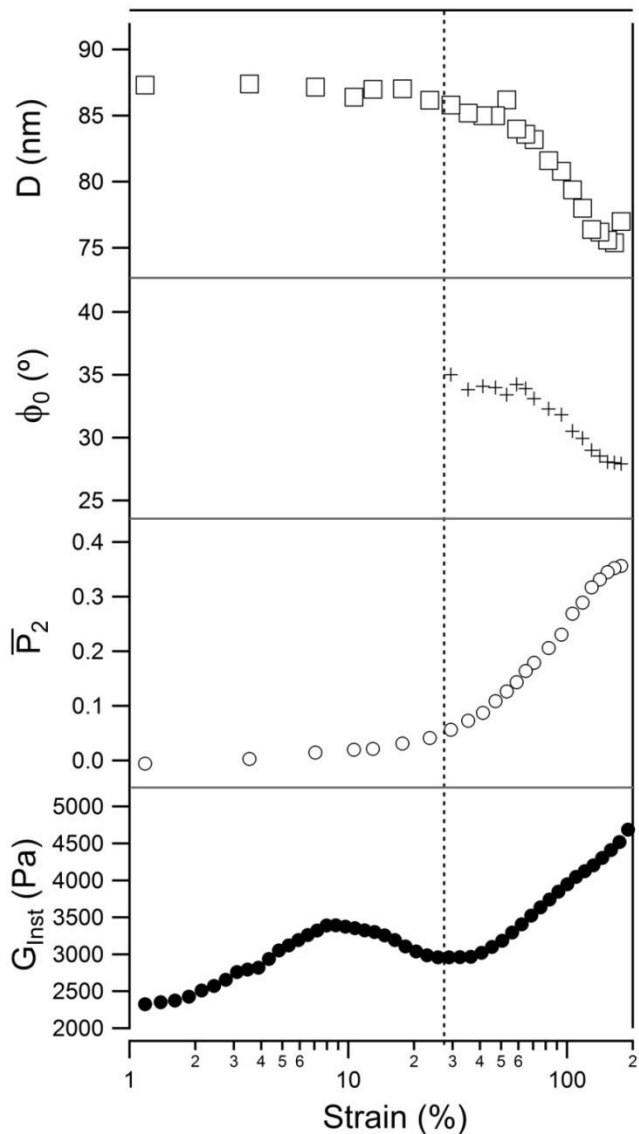
1-2 Plane Shear SANS Results



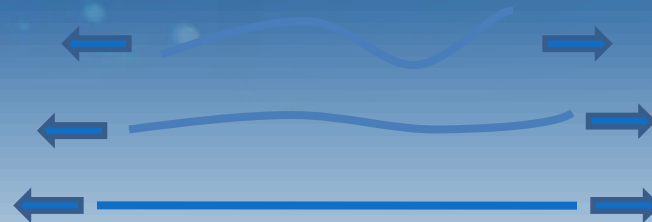
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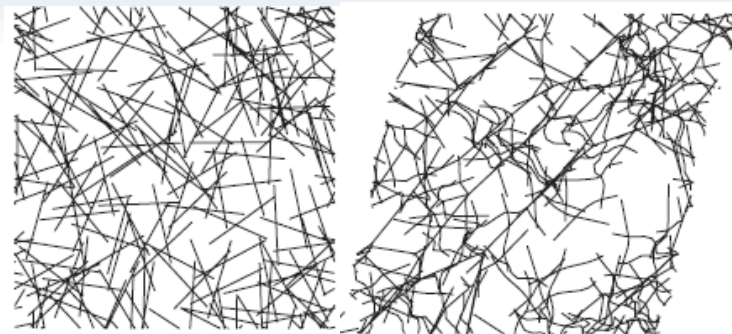
Origin of Strain Hardening in Fibrin



Theory 1: Conformational Entropy Reduction¹



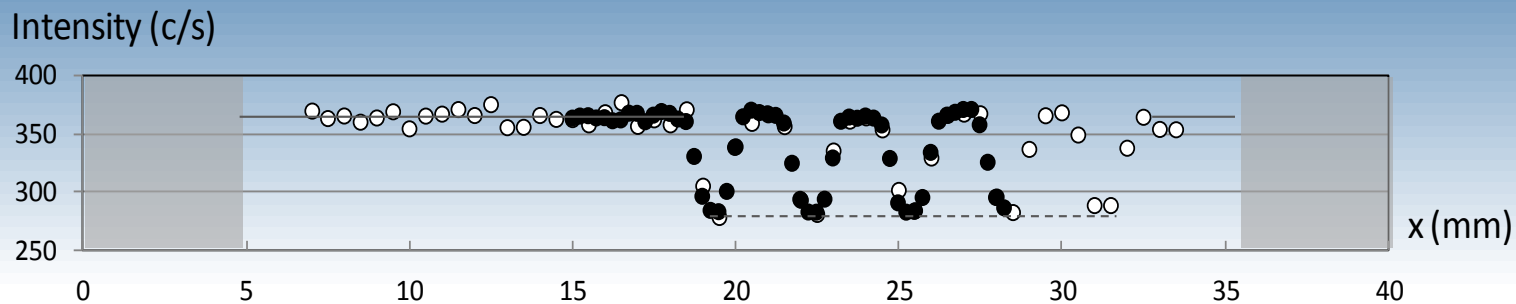
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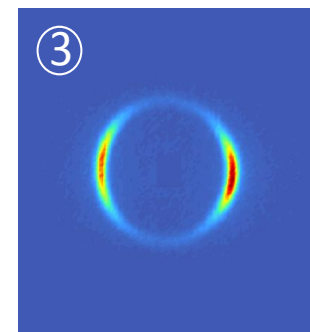
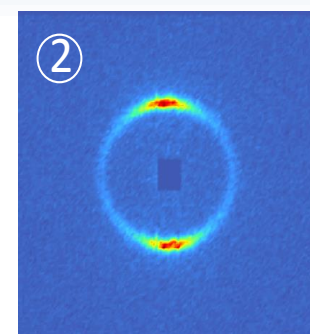
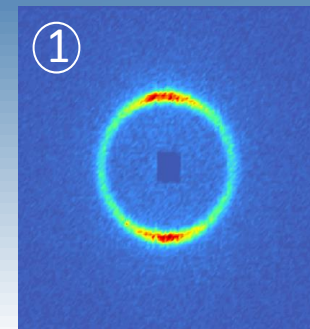
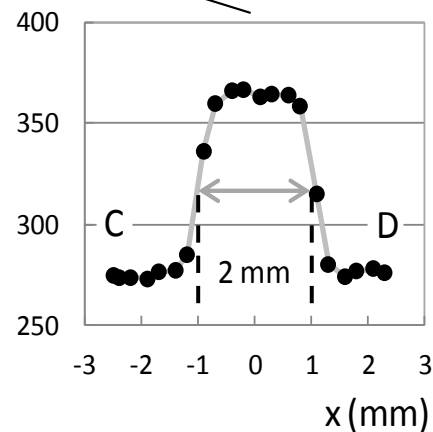
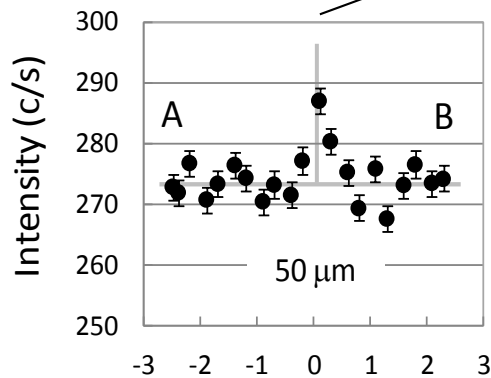
Recently Reported: Protein Unfolding



New directions: toward microfluidic...

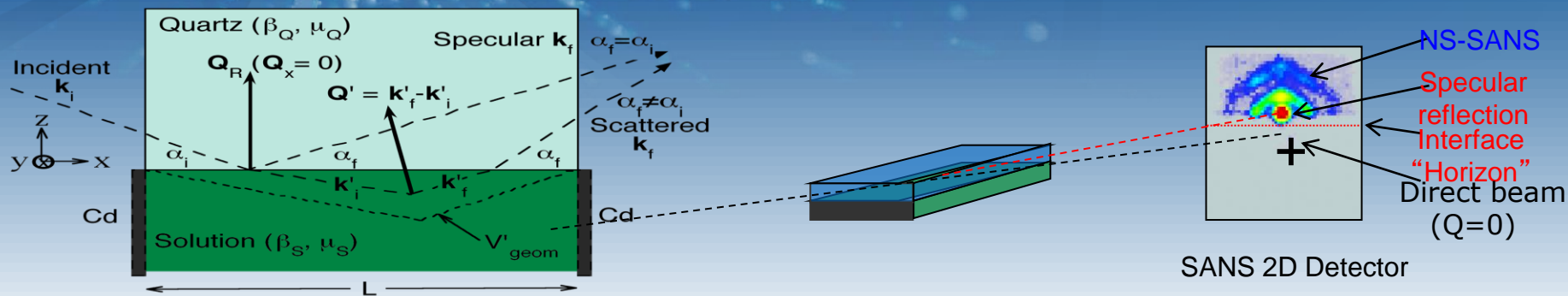


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500 μm
neutron beam

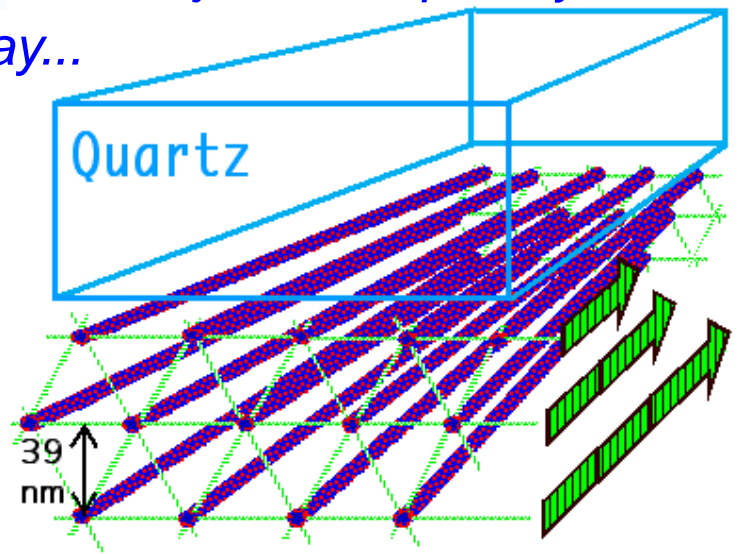
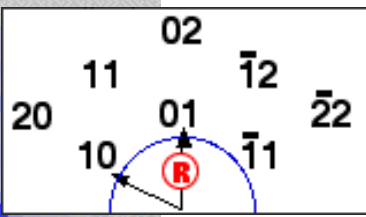
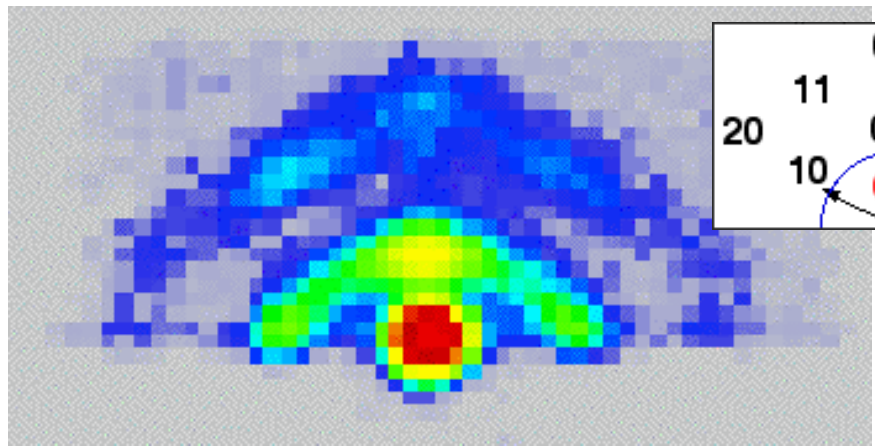


CTAC/pentanol/water

Reflectivity, SANS & Crystallography



In Poiseuille shear past a surface the micelles don't just line up, they form a strongly oriented crystalline hexagonal array...



Grazing incidence "Near Surface" SANS data (<~100micron) from surface

W.A. Hamilton, P.D. Butler, S.M. Baker, G.S. Smith, J.B. Hayter, L.J. Magid and R. Pynn, *Physical Review Letters* 72, 2219 (1994)

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Conclusions:

- SANS can provide unique structural information / deuteration
- Ideal for multicomponent systems
- Studies of transient states
- From surface to bulk (GISANS and SANS)
- Microfluidic and many more sample environments...

Quality neutrons priceless !!!