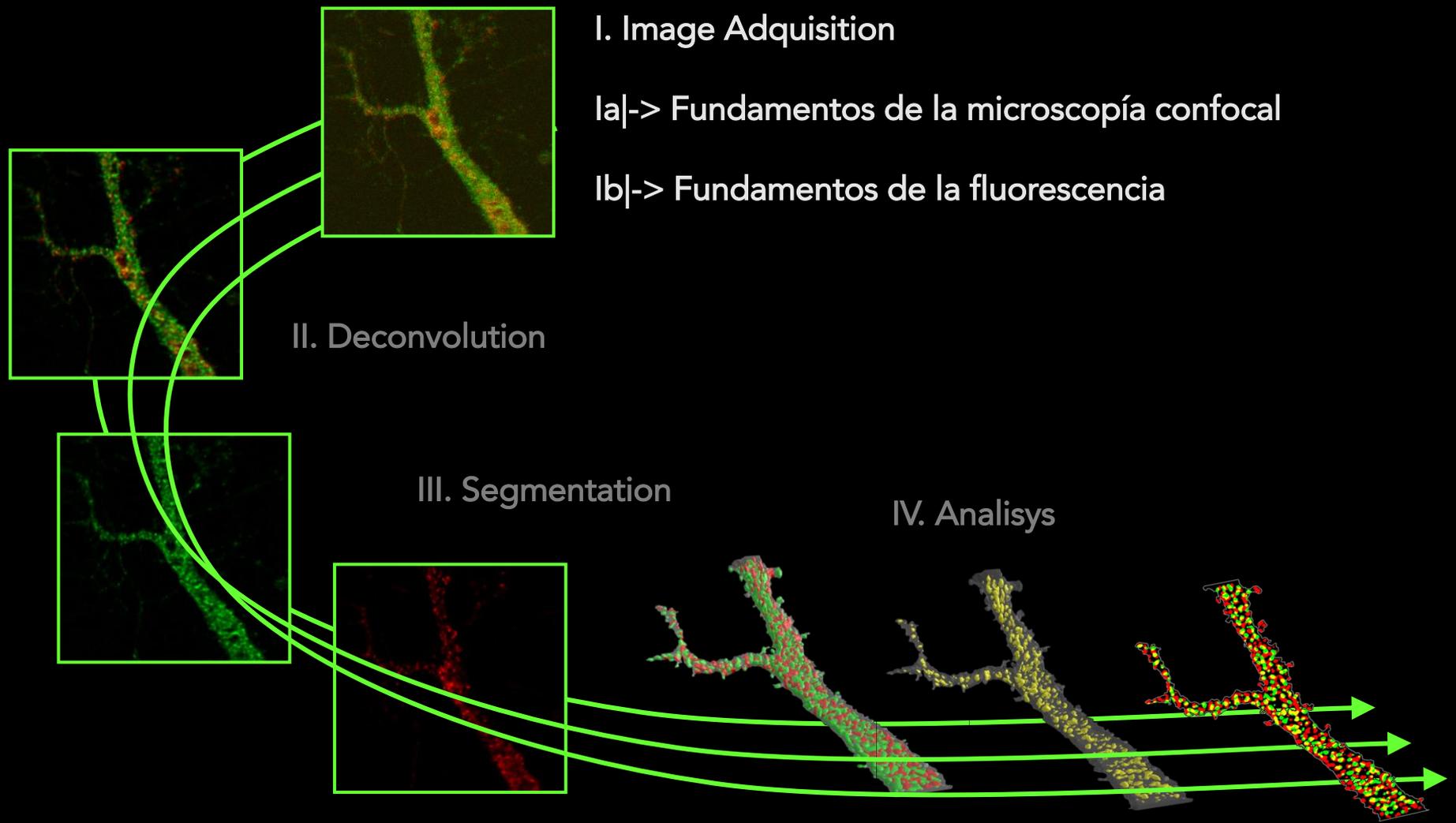




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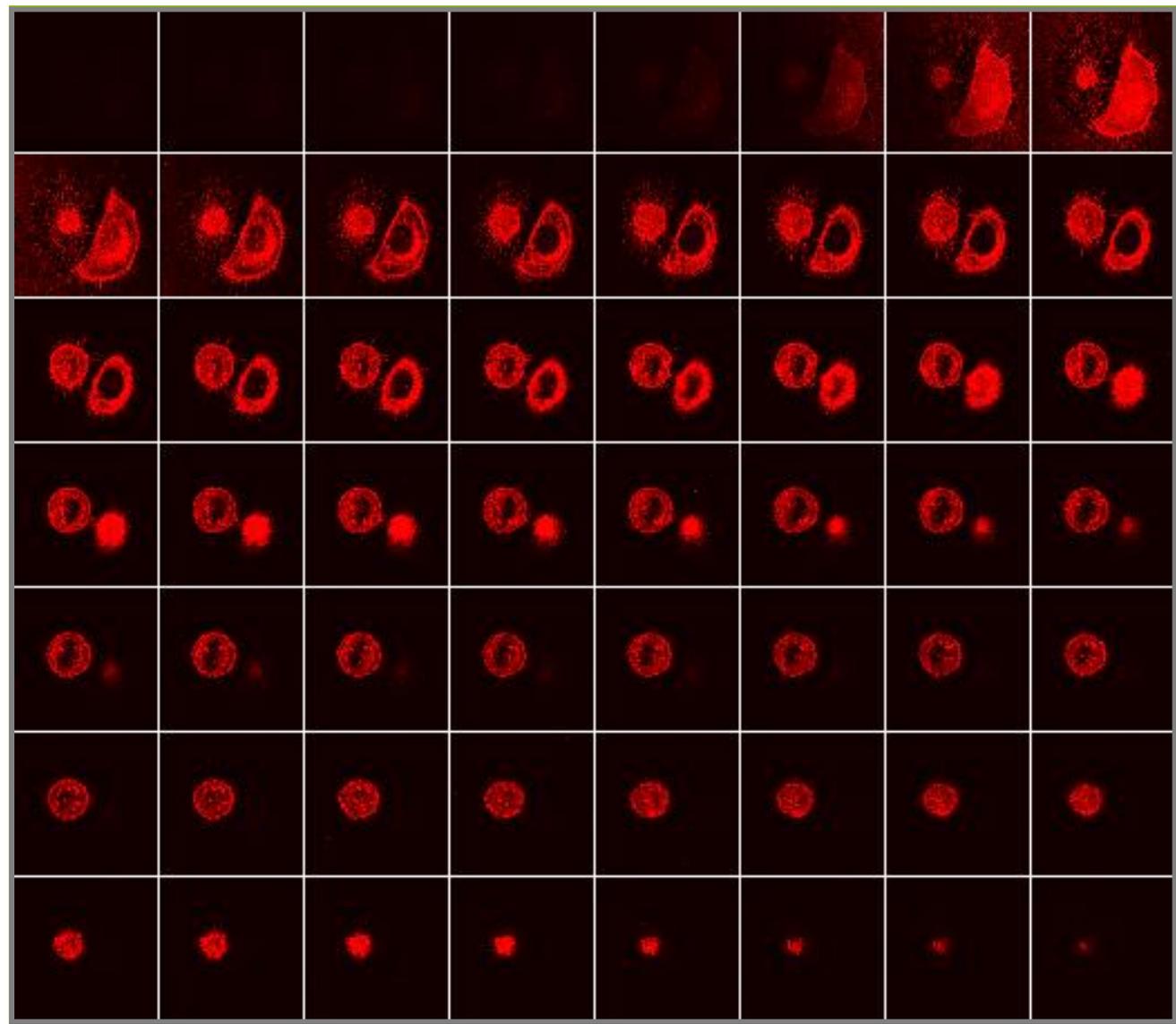
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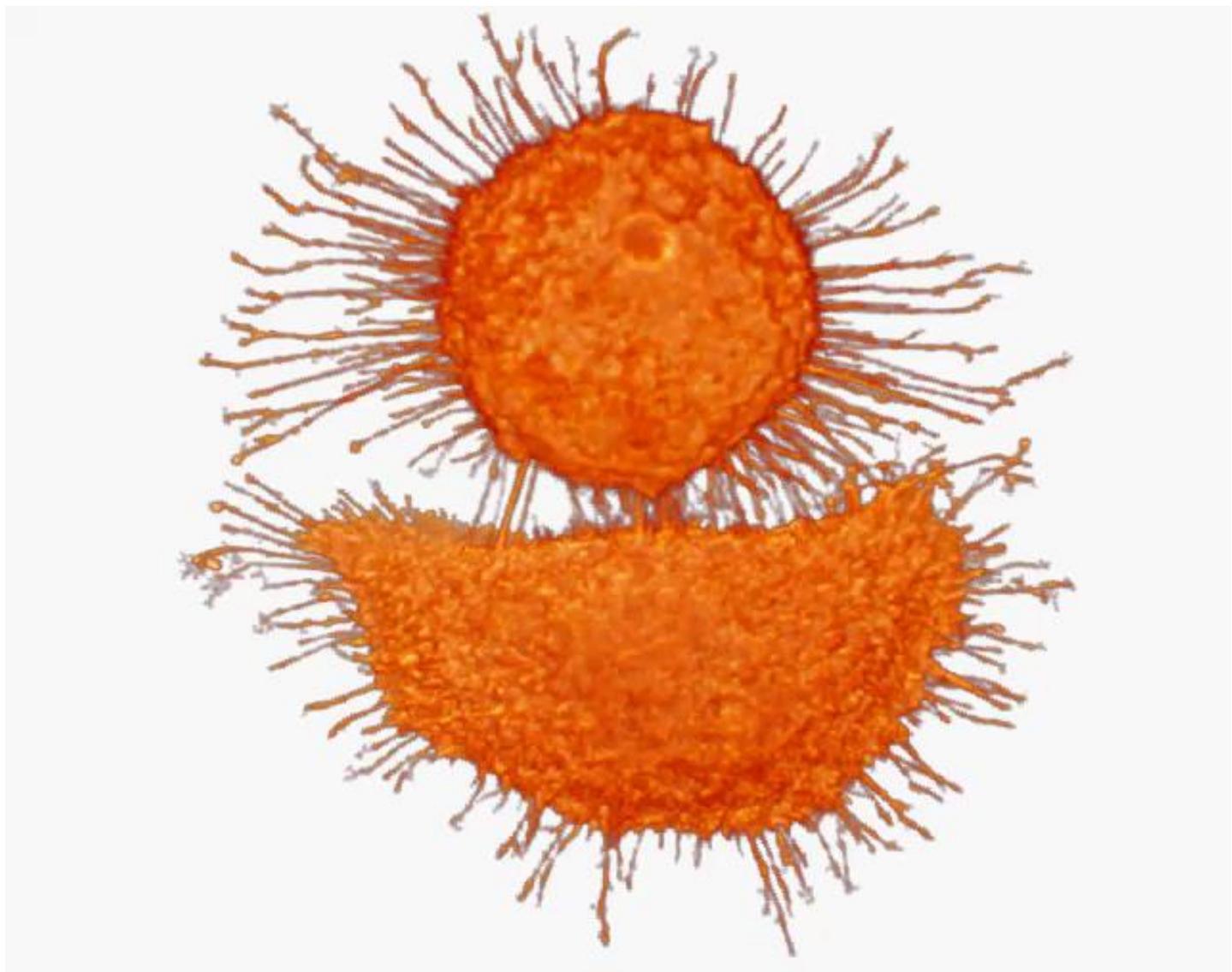
**Hans Janssen (1595), ....  
Galileo Galilei (1610)**



# |-> Microscopy



# |-> Microscopy



## Luminescencia:



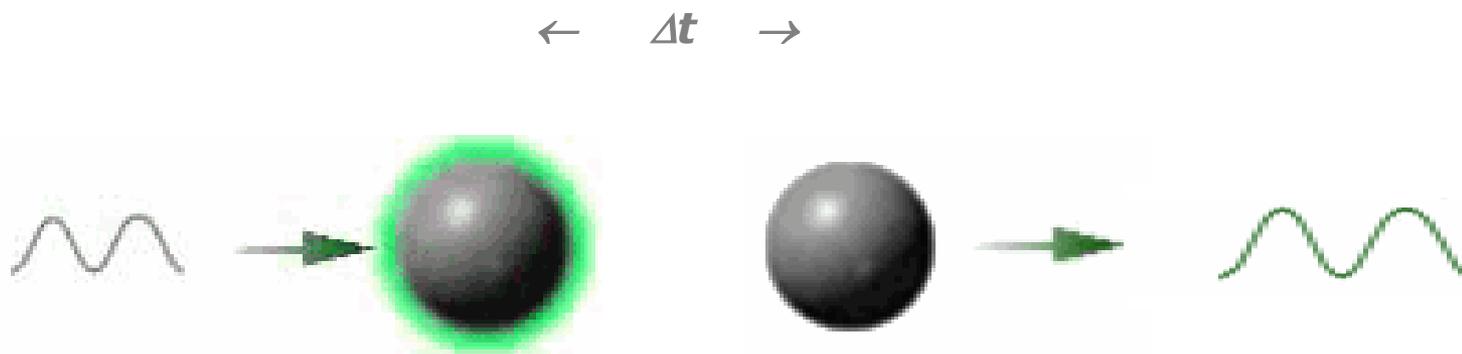
- *Fluorescencia*  $\Delta t \sim 10^{-8}s$
- *Fosforescencia*  $\Delta t \sim 10^{-3}-10^0s$

## Interacciones ...

- intra- e inter moleculares ...

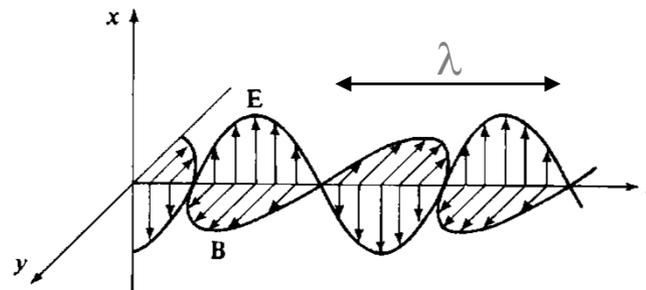
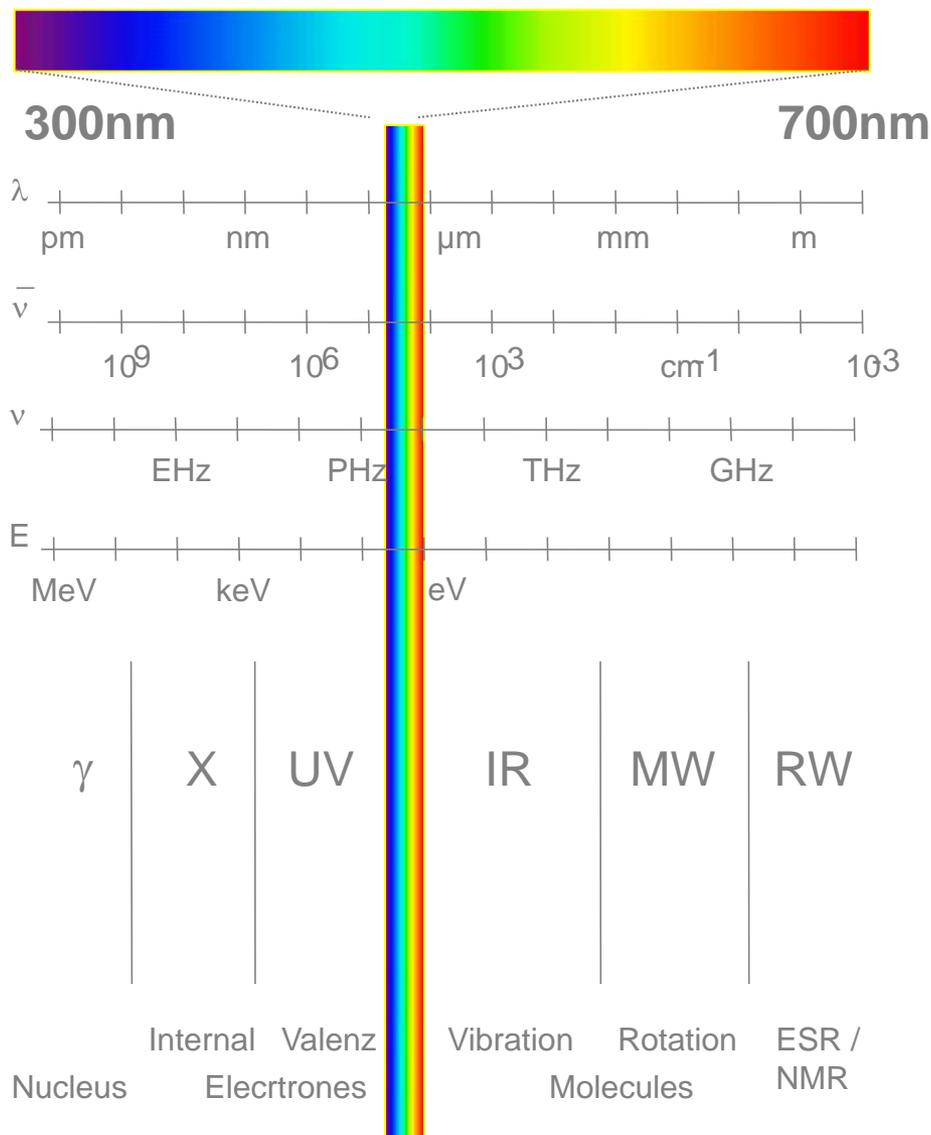
## producen cambios ...

- espectrales
- tiempos de vida
- polarización
- intensidad ...



*Absorción / Excitación*

*Emisión*



## Energía de un fotón: (~1-5eV)

$$E = h \nu = hc\lambda^{-1} \quad | \quad c = \nu \lambda$$

$\nu$ , frecuencia [ $\text{s}^{-1}$ ]

$h$ , constante de Planck [ $6.626 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ Js}^{-1}$ ]

$\lambda$ , longitud de onda [m]

$c$ , velocidad de luz [ $\sim 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ]

## Energía molecular:

$$E = E_{\text{rot}} + E_{\text{vib}} + E_{\text{el}}$$

1 :  $10^3$  :  $50 \cdot 10^3$

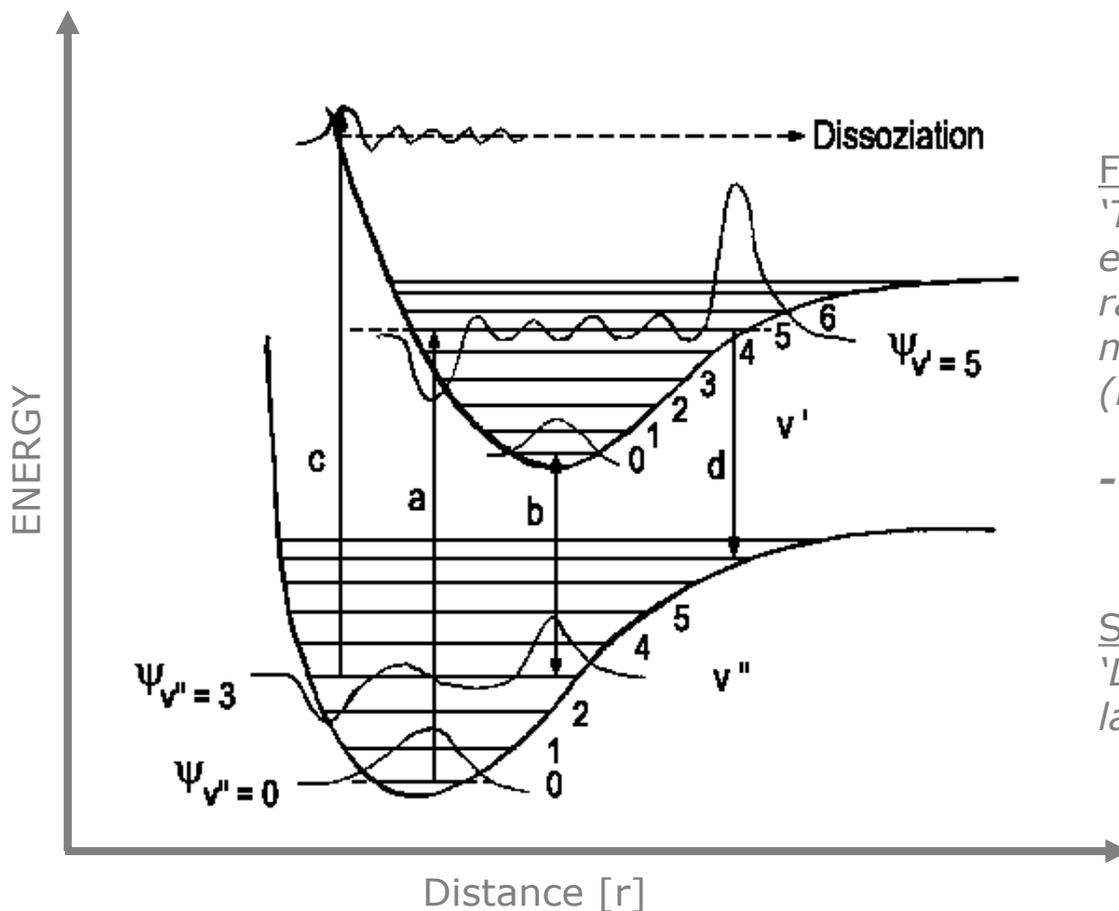
## Energía térmica:

$$E = k T \quad (\sim 2.5 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ eV}, T \sim 20^\circ\text{C})$$

$k$  = Constante de Boltzmann ( $0.86 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ eV/K}$ )



# | -> Franck Condon

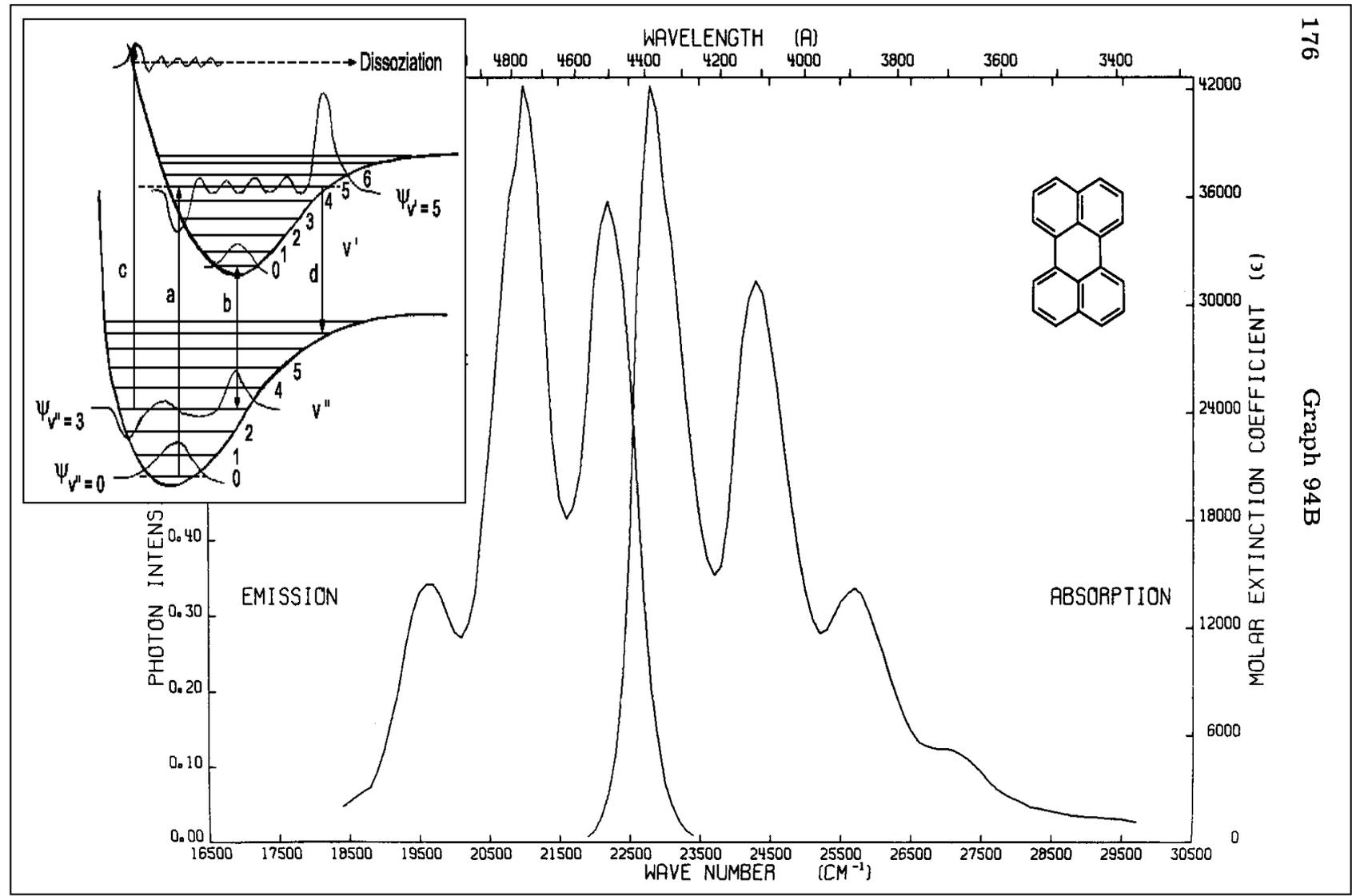


Frank Condon :  
 'Transiciones entre niveles  
 electr3nicos ocurren mucho mas  
 r1pido que movimientos de n1cleos  
 moleculares.'  
 ( $masa_{electron} / masa_{atom} : 1 : 2000$ )

-> **Mirror Image Rule**

Stokes (Shift) :  
 'La energ1a de emisi3n es menor a  
 la energ1a de excitaci3n.'

# |-> Mirror Image Rule



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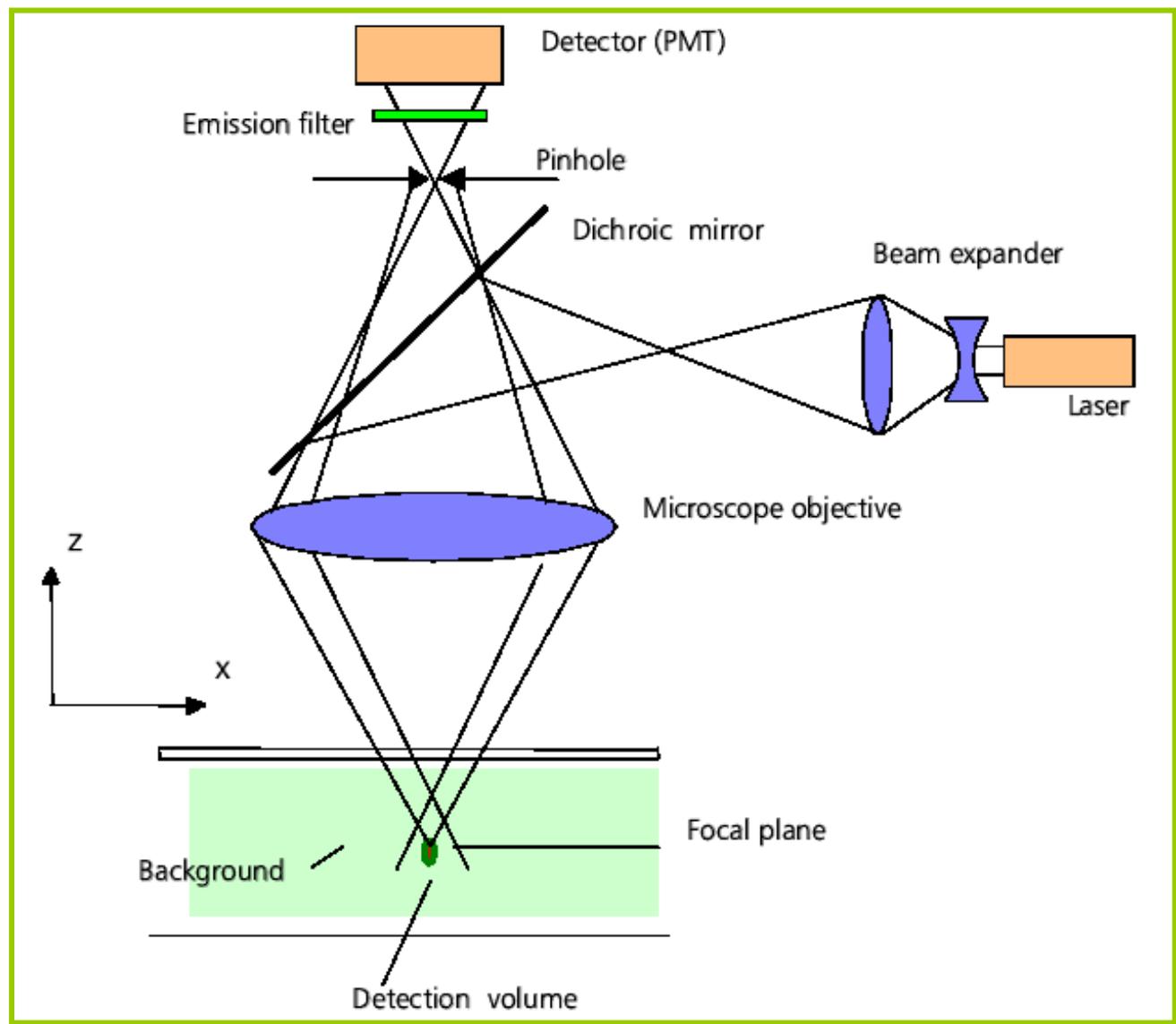
|-> Quenching, Bleaching ...

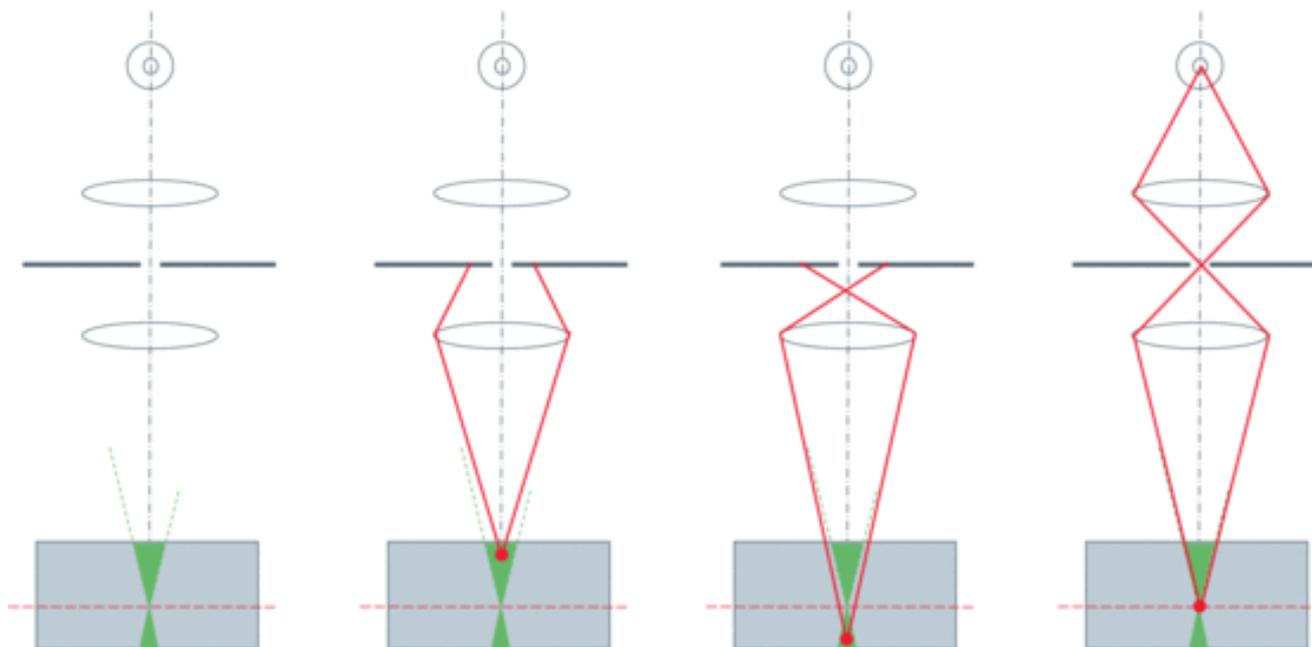
|-> Polarisation ...

|-> Steady-State and Time-Resolved Fluorescence...

|-> Förster Resonance Energy Transfer ...

# | -> Diffraction limited Microscopy





Rebanada óptica en  $\mu\text{m}$ , modificable según Airy units del pinhole

## From Geometric Optics to Diffraction Theory:

**Diffraction:** The deviation of an electromagnetic wavefront from the path predicted by geometric optics when the wavefront interacts with a physical object such as an opening or an edge.

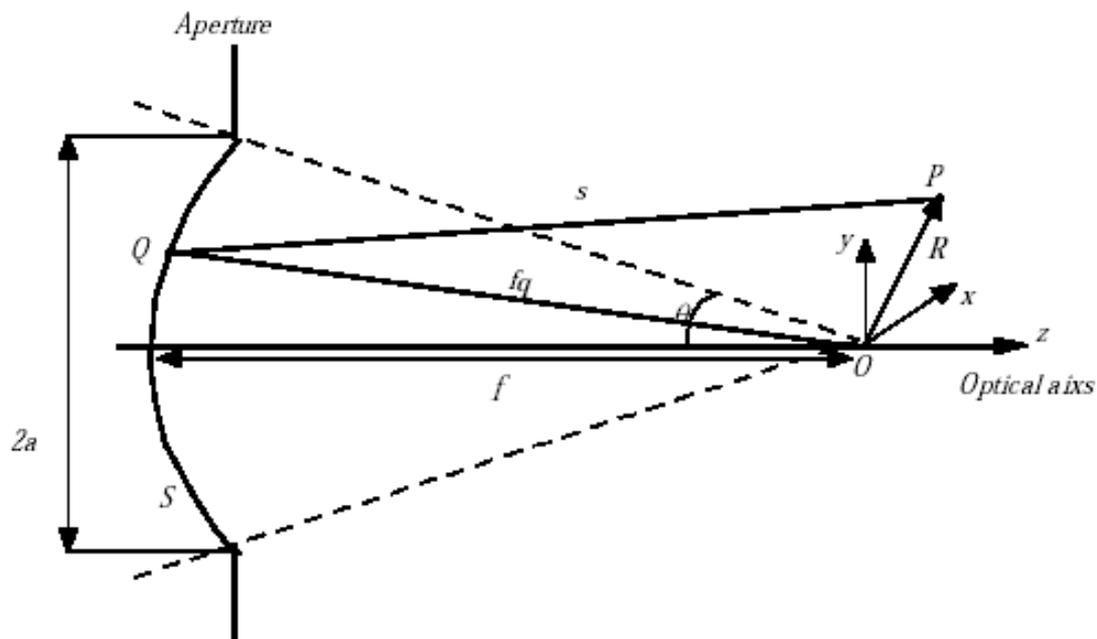
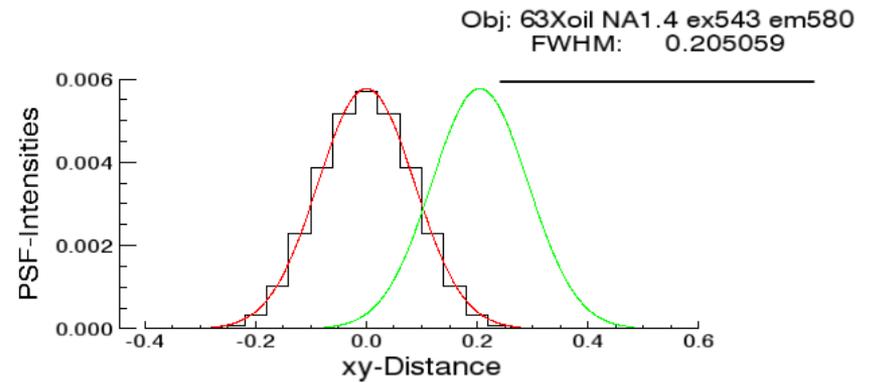
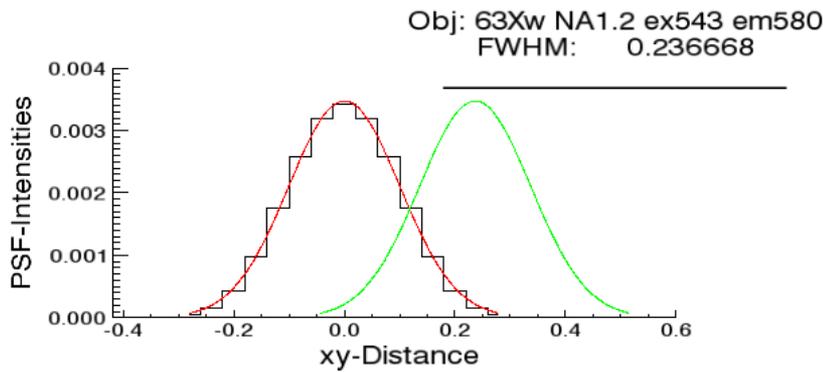
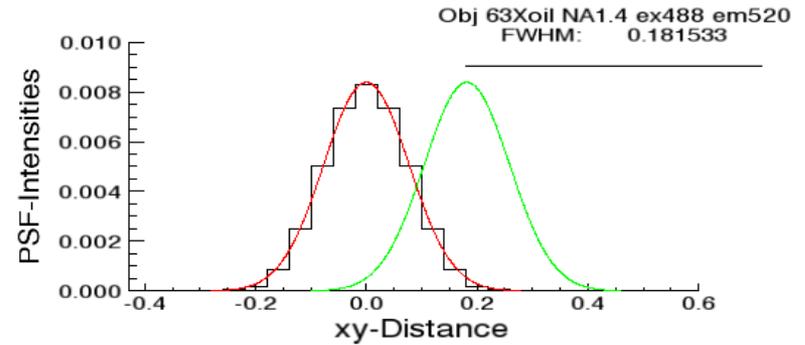
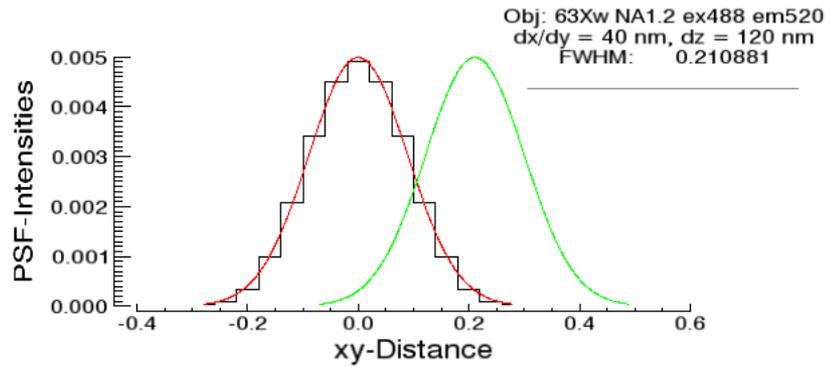


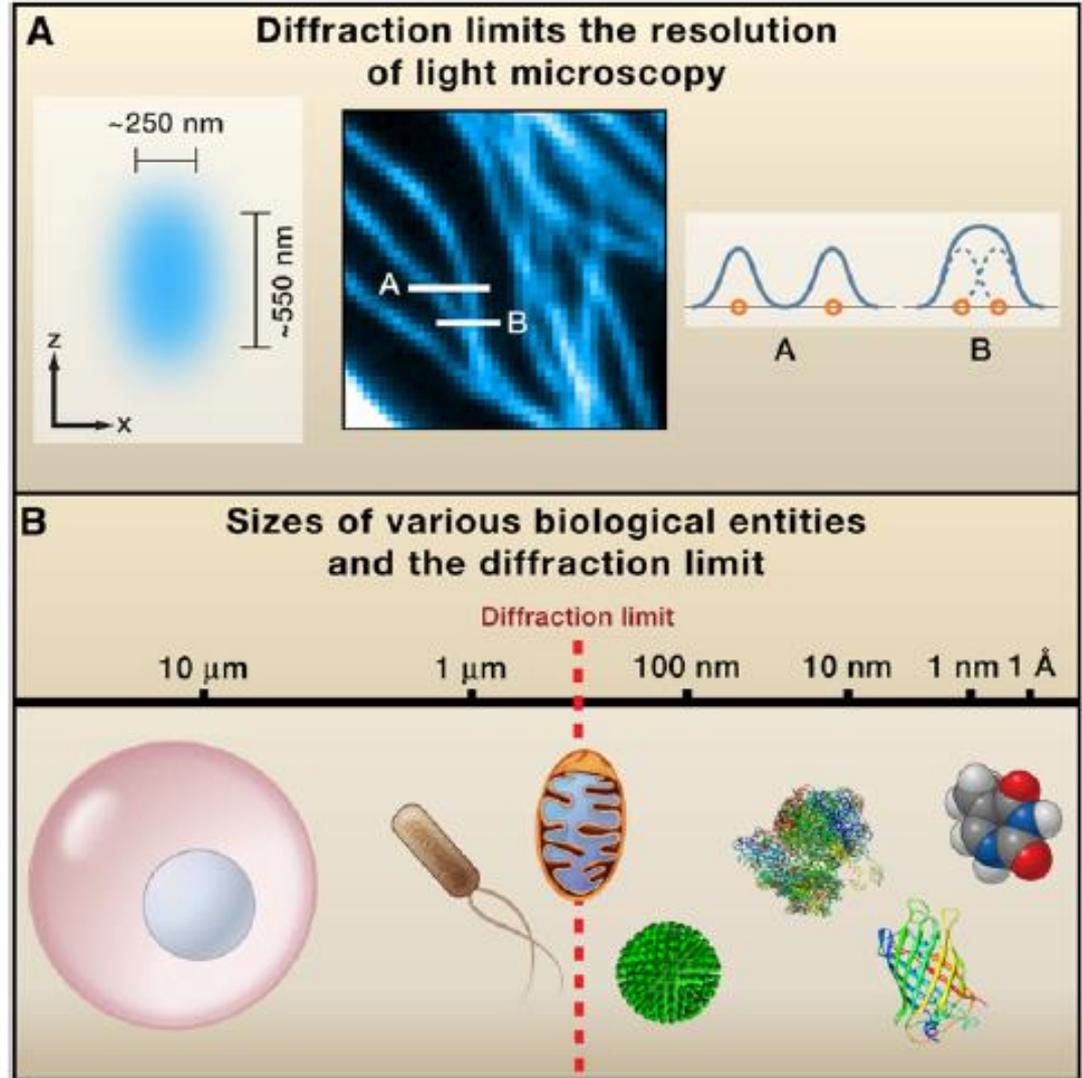
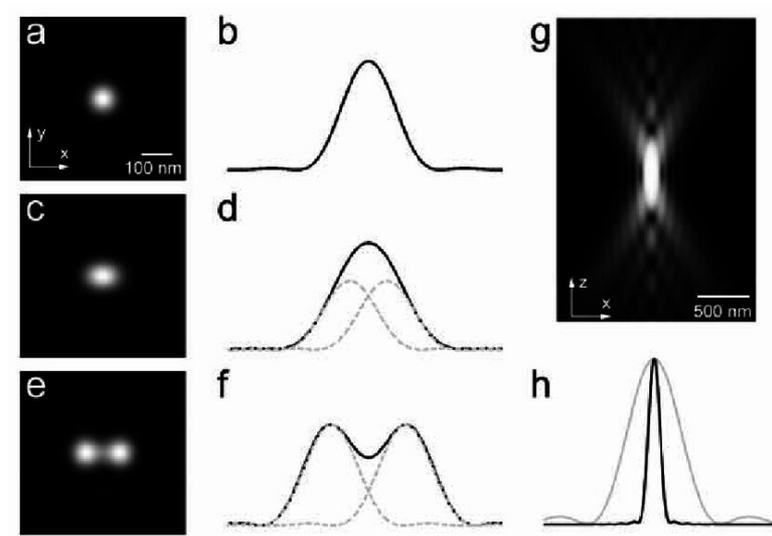
Figure 2.1 Diffraction of a converging spherical wave at a circular aperture



# | -> Diffraction limited Microscopy



# | -> Diffraction limited Microscopy



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# | -> Beyond diffraction

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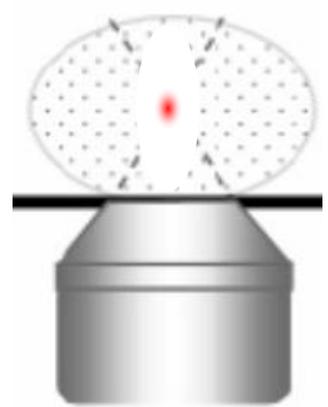
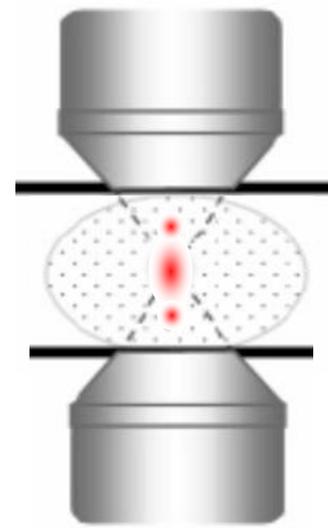
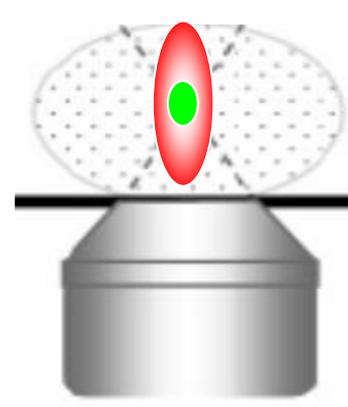
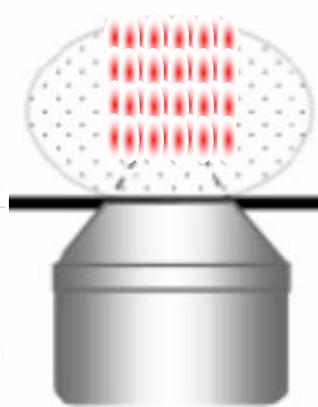
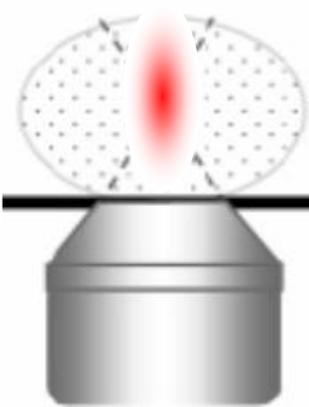
FWHM(xy)  $\sim \lambda/2$

$\sim \lambda/4$

$\sim \lambda/\infty$

$\sim \lambda/4$

$\sim \lambda/100$



2-photon

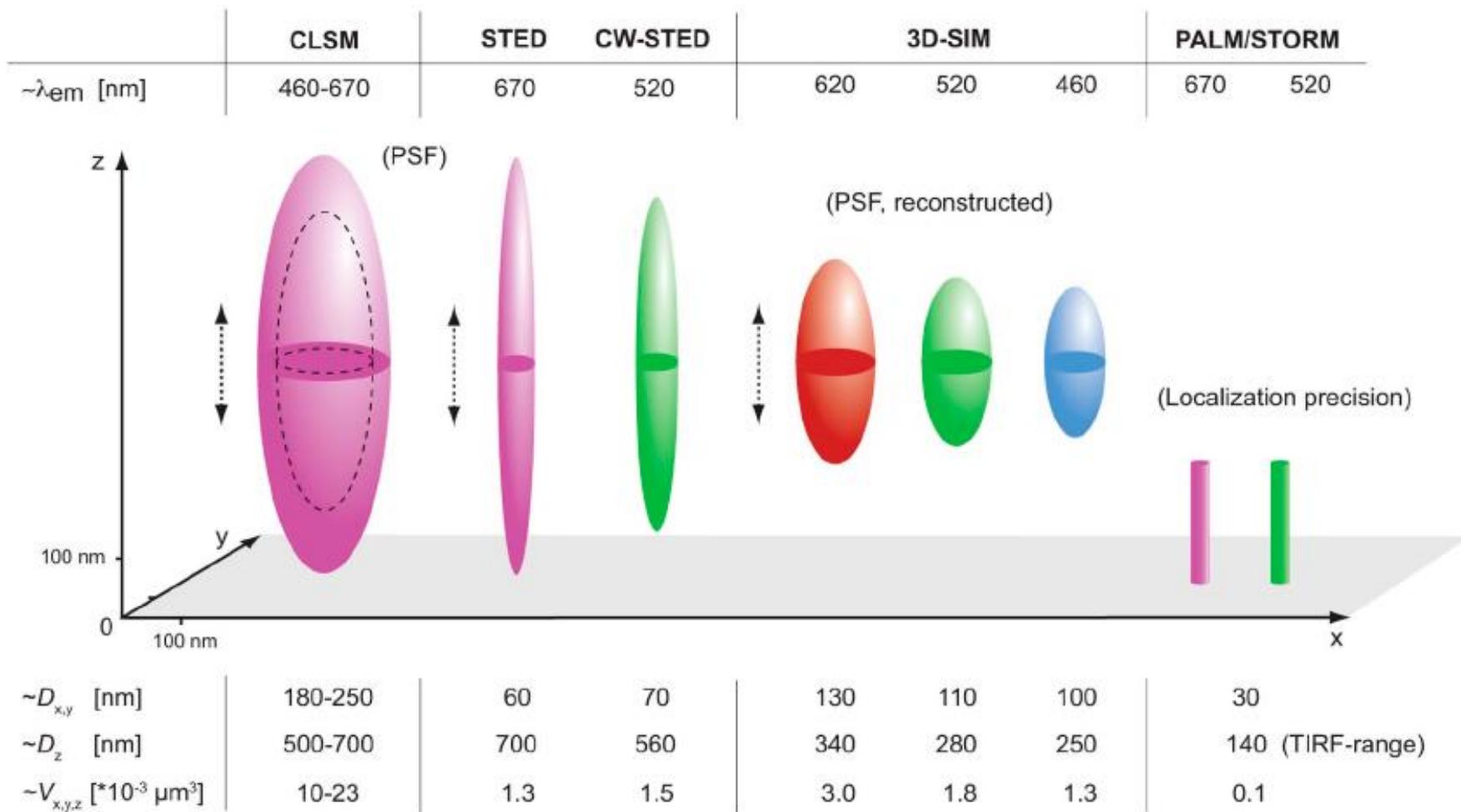
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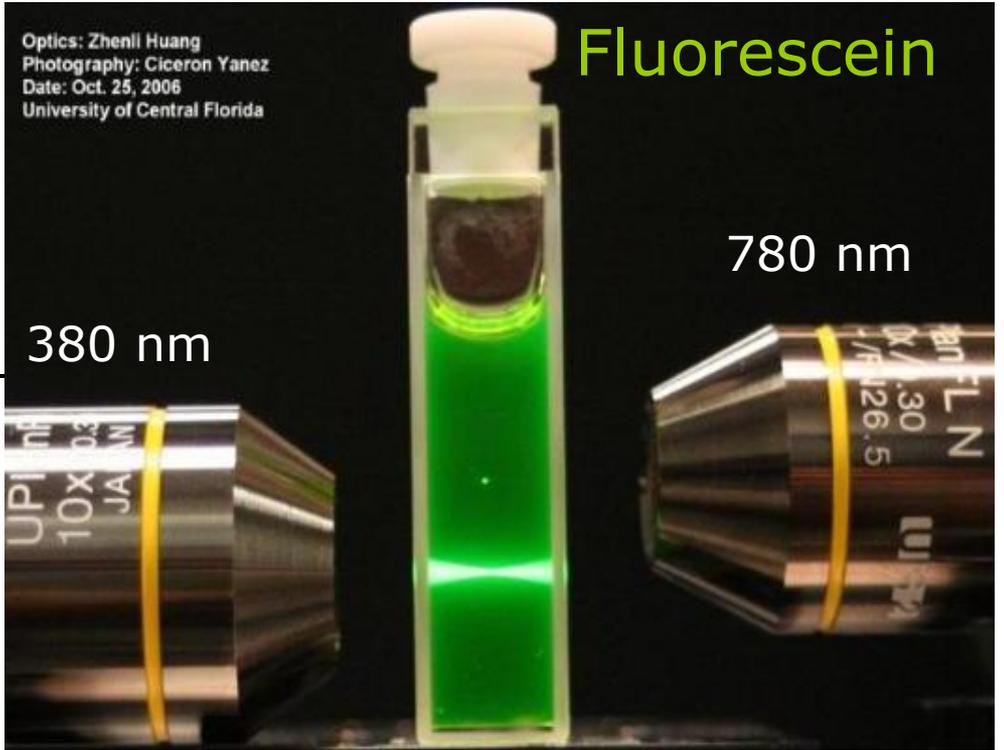
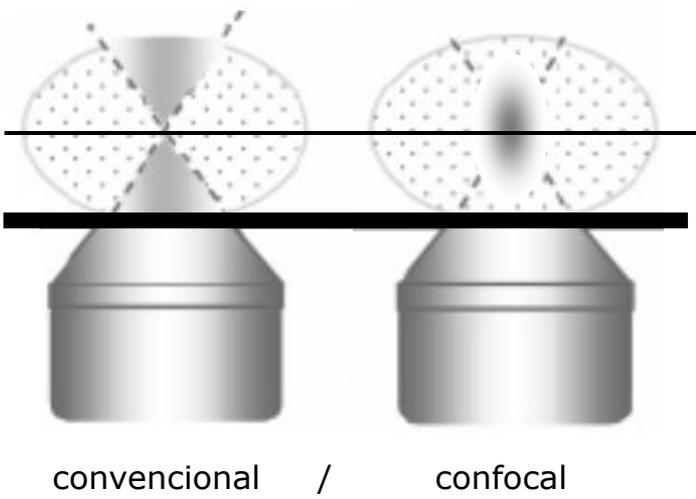
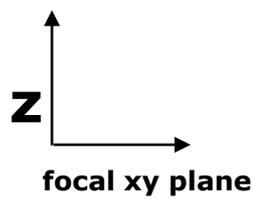
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# | -> PSF overview



| Best localization: confocal microscopy



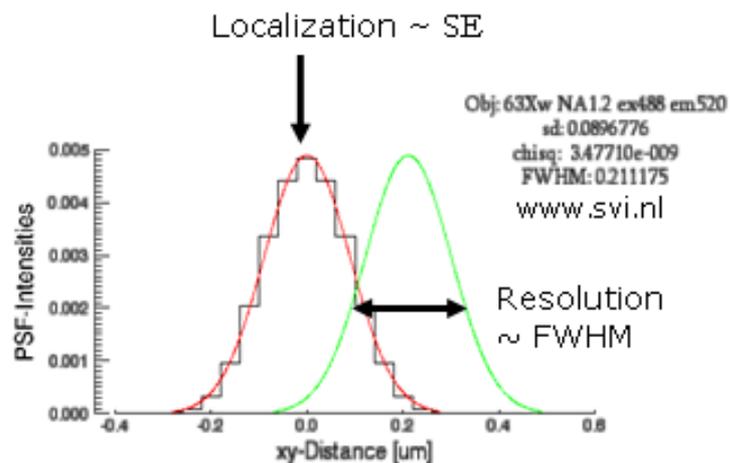
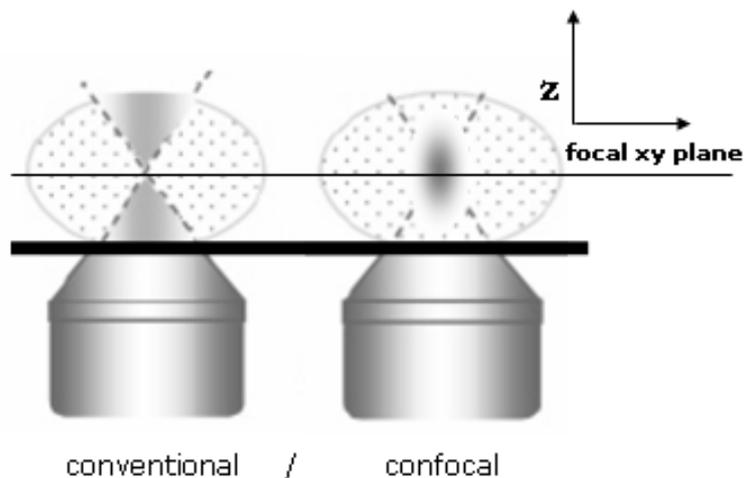
## | Diffraction limited microscopy

E. Abbe († 1905)



$\lambda / 2 \cdot NA \sim \lambda / 2$  Resolution (Full Width at Half Maximum, FWHM)

FWHM /  $N^{1/2}$  Localization, N number of photons





## Scientific Background on the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2014

# SUPER-RESOLVED FLUORESCENCE MICROSCOPY



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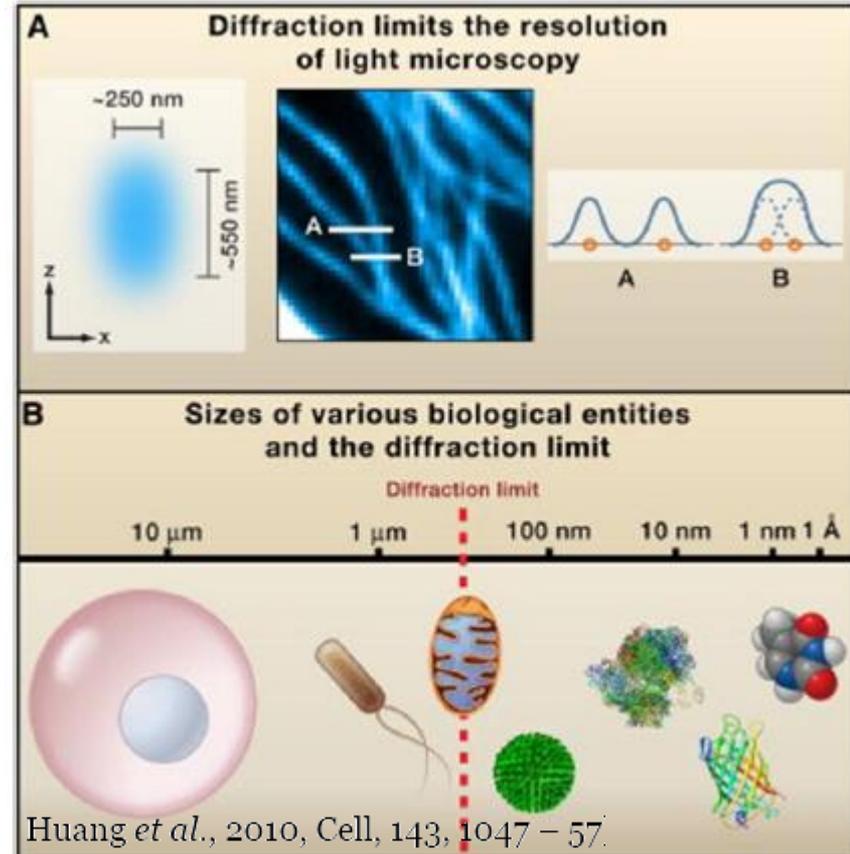
## Super-resolved fluorescence microscopy

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award Erik Betzig, Stefan W. Hell and W. E. Moerner the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2014 for the development of super-resolution fluorescence microscopy.

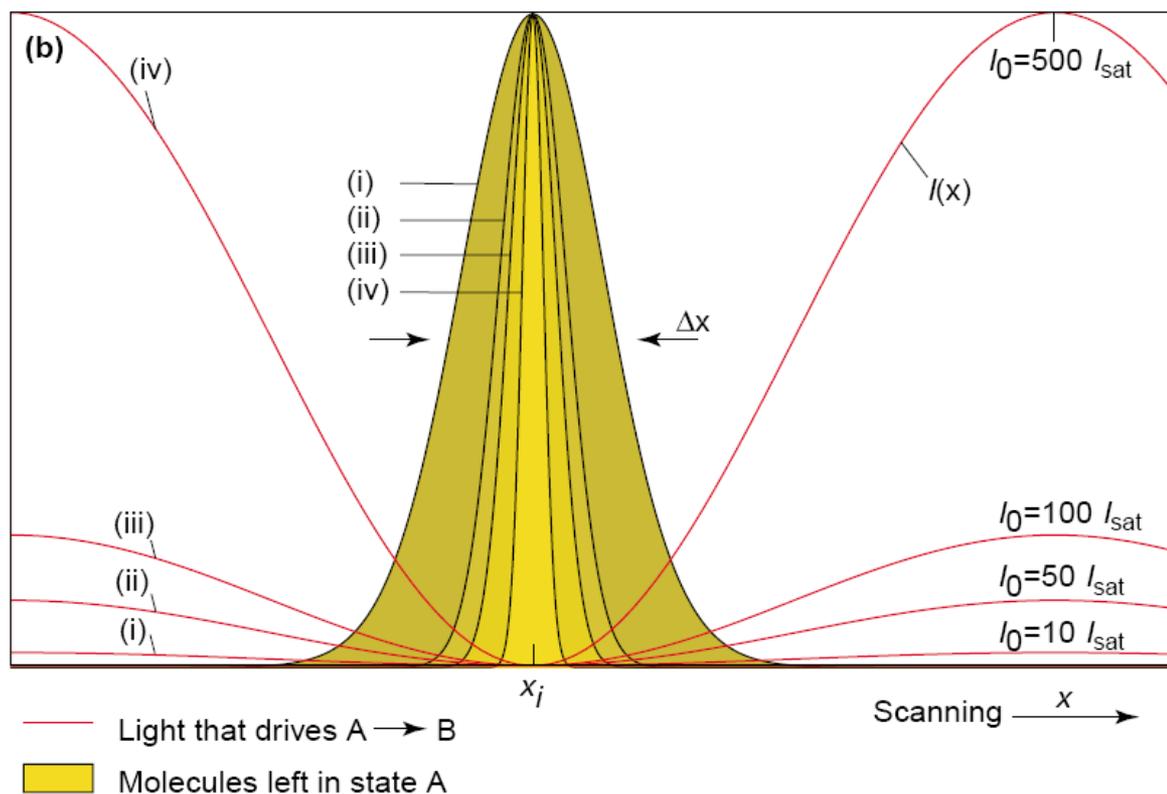
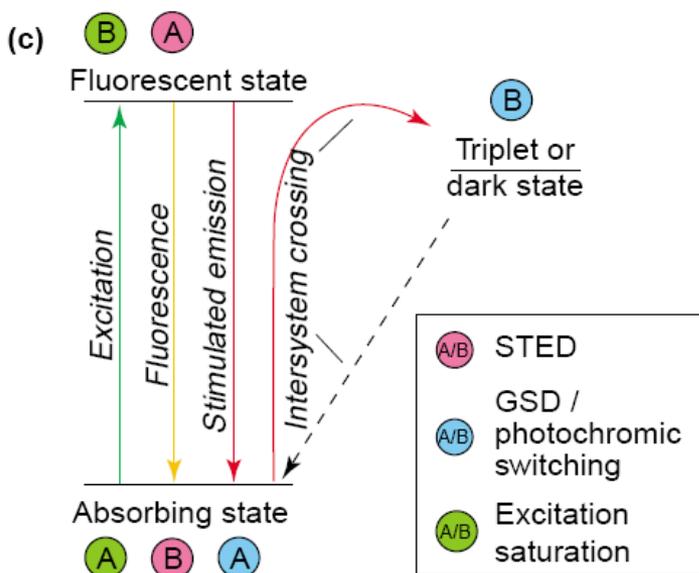
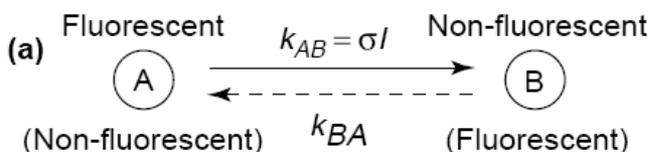
# | -> Abbe's diffraction limit

Towards the end of the nineteenth century Ernst Abbe (Abbe, 1873) and Lord Rayleigh (Rayleigh, 1896) formulated what is commonly known as the “diffraction limit” for microscopy. Roughly speaking, this limit states that it is impossible to resolve two elements of a structure which are closer to each other than about half the wave length ( $\lambda$ ) in the lateral (x,y) plane and even further apart in the longitudinal plane (z). In other words, the minimal distances ( $\delta x_{\min}$ ,  $\delta y_{\min}$ ) that, according to Abbe's criterion, can be resolved in the lateral plane are approximated by

$$(\delta x_{\min}, \delta y_{\min}) \approx \lambda / 2$$



In the beginning of the 1990s, Stefan Hell moved as a post-doc from Germany to the University of Turku in Finland to find space and a possibility to develop his, at the time, controversial idea that it was not only possible but also feasible to transcend Abbe's diffraction limit in far-field light microscopy. In two theoretical papers he demonstrated the principles and outlined, in quantitative terms, the experimental conditions for the ground-breaking novel concept of Stimulated Emission Depletion (STED) microscopy (Hell and Wichmann, 1994) and similar (Hell and Kroug, 1995) techniques.



Using STED, the normally diffraction-limited focal spot can be made infinitely small. It is clear that there may be other types of problems, such as photo-damage to biological tissues, with highly intense STED beams. It is important, however, that these obstacles are not caused by a hard physical limit and may therefore be successively removed, e.g. by the introduction of other ground state depletion mechanisms than stimulated emission, which do not require such high intensity (Hell and Kroug, 1995). The outcome of Hell's first experimental demonstration of the STED principle (Klar *et al.*, 2000) is illustrated in Fig. 5, showing how the notorious poor axial resolution is improved from about 500 to 100 nm.

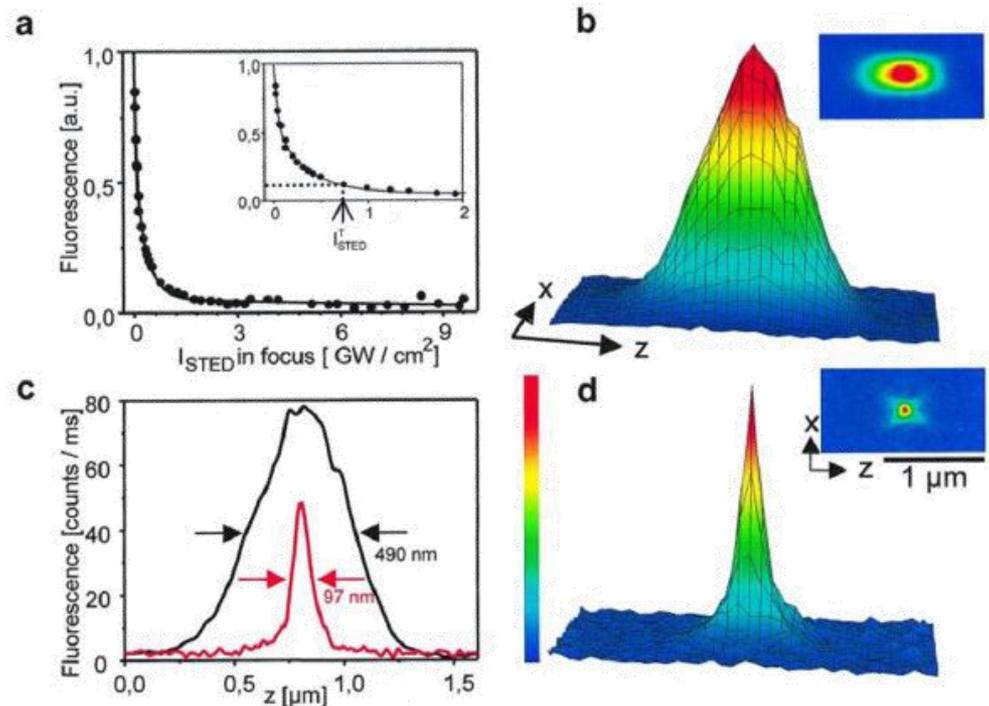
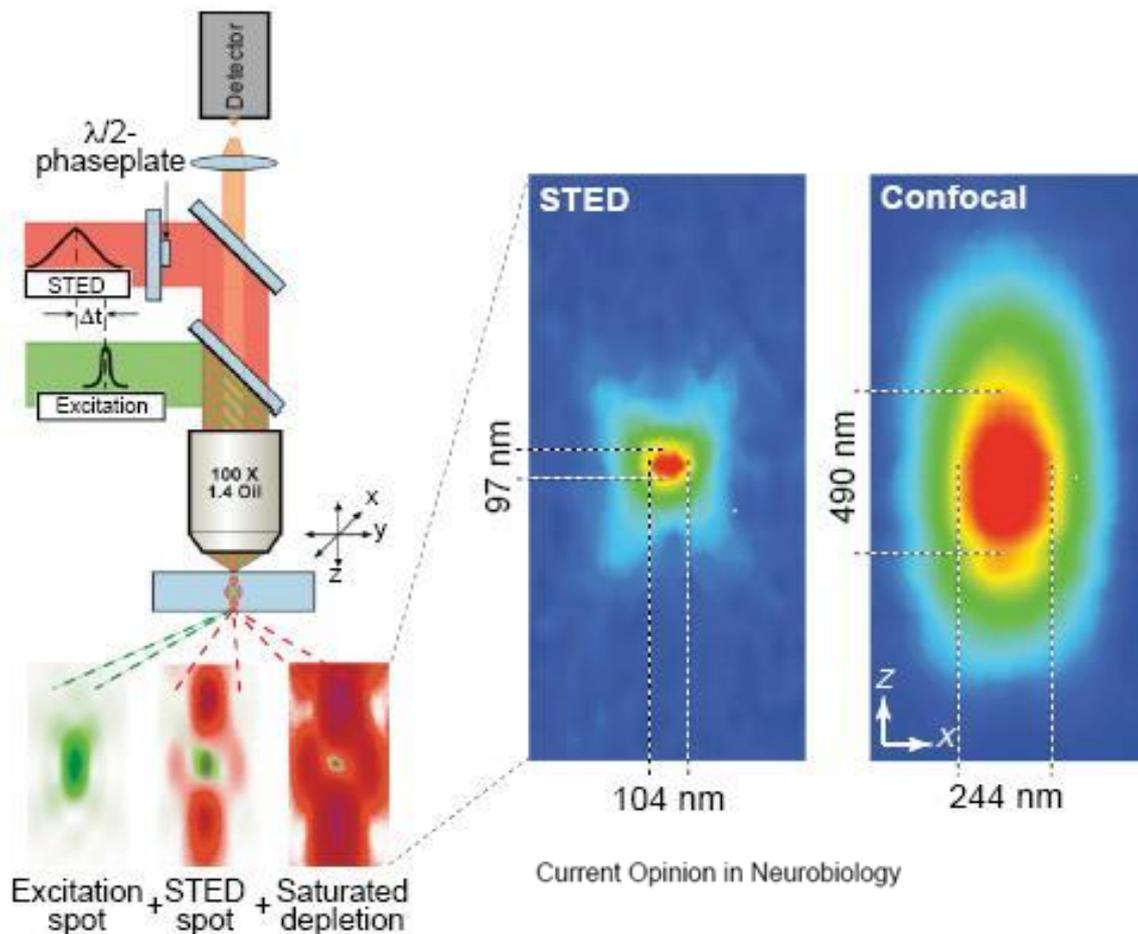


Figure 5: (Klar *et al.*, 2000, *PNAS*, 97, 8206-8210). (a) Nonlinear decrease in fluorescence intensity with increasing STED intensity,  $I_{STED}$ . Illustration of fluorescence intensity spot in x- and z-directions in the absence (b) and presence (d) of STED. Measured fluorescence distribution in the z-direction in the absence (black) and presence (red) of STED.

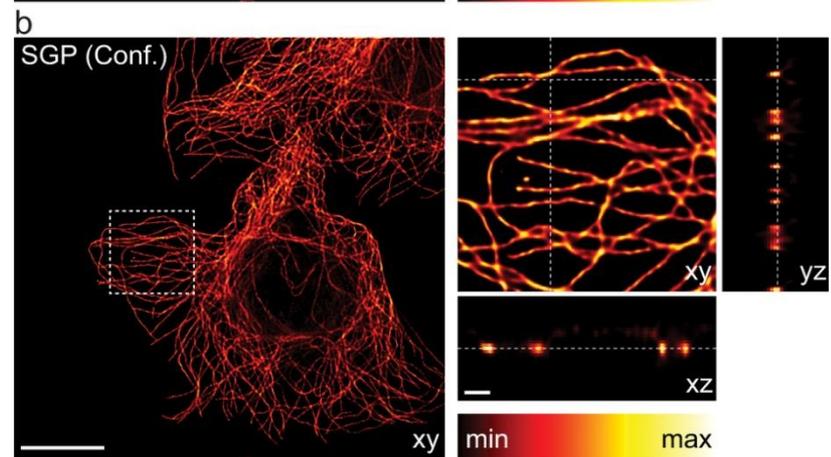
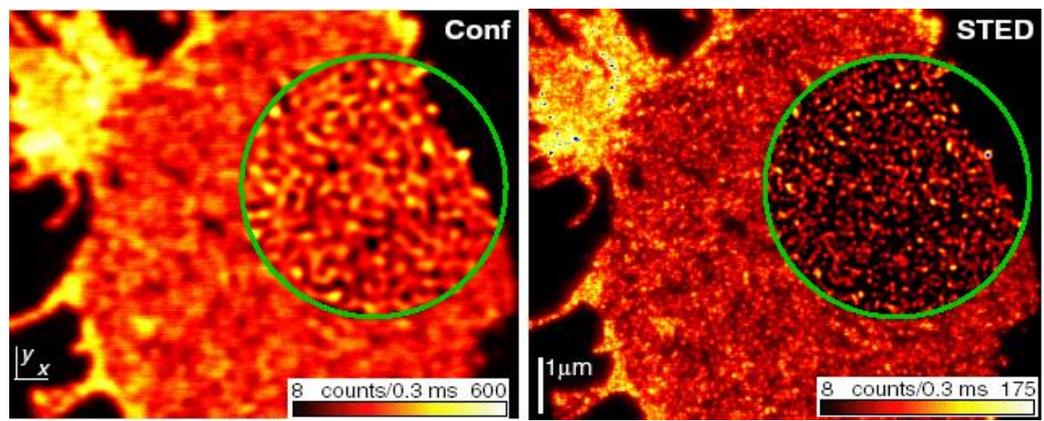
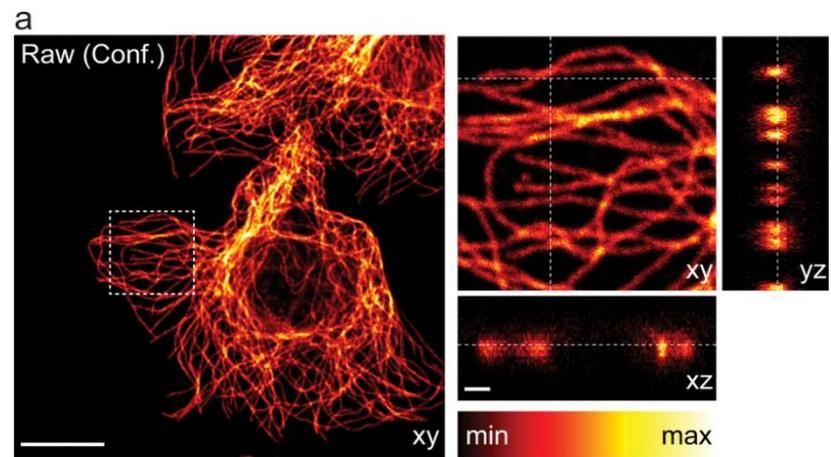
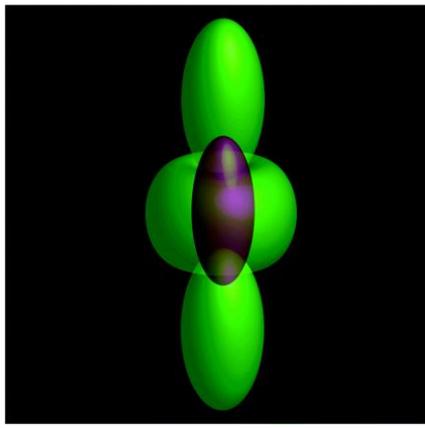
By this arrangement, in conjunction with optimal pulse sequences for the excitation and STED beams, light emission is turned off everywhere except in a small part of the diffraction-limited focal region. The latter region shrinks indefinitely with increasing intensity of the maximal value,  $I_0$ , of the STED beam. The width,  $\Delta_{\min}$ , of the effectively fluorescing region is in the lateral plane approximated by (Hell *et al.*, 2004)

$$\Delta_{\min} \approx \frac{\lambda}{2n \sin \alpha (\sqrt{1 + I_0 / I_{sat}})}$$

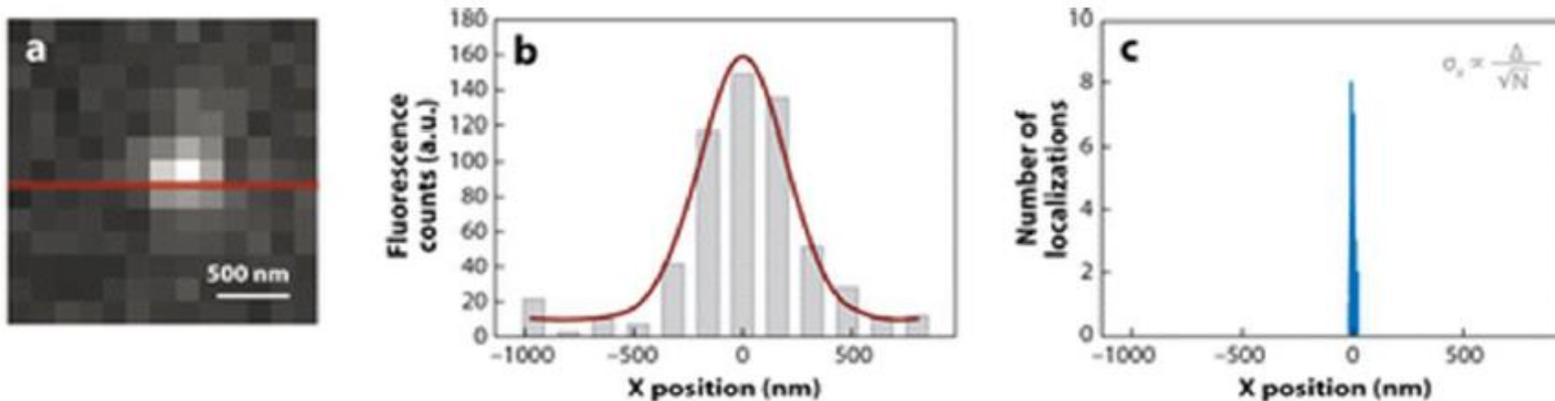


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Thompson MA, et al. 2012. Annu. Rev. Biophys. 41:321–42

Figure 6: (a) Pixelated fluorescence intensity from single fluorophore in x- and y-directions of the detector. (b) Fluorescence intensity in x-direction (blue bars) fitted to a Normal distribution (red line, Eq. 4). (c). Probability density of the center ( $x=0$ ) of the Normal distribution in (b). The knowledge that there is a single emitter allows the position of the point source to be estimated much more precisely (c) than the width of the PSF (b).

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Neglecting background and pixelation, the probability density,  $p(x,y)$ , of photon detection in the lateral plane is approximately Gaussian (Thompson *et al.*, 2012):

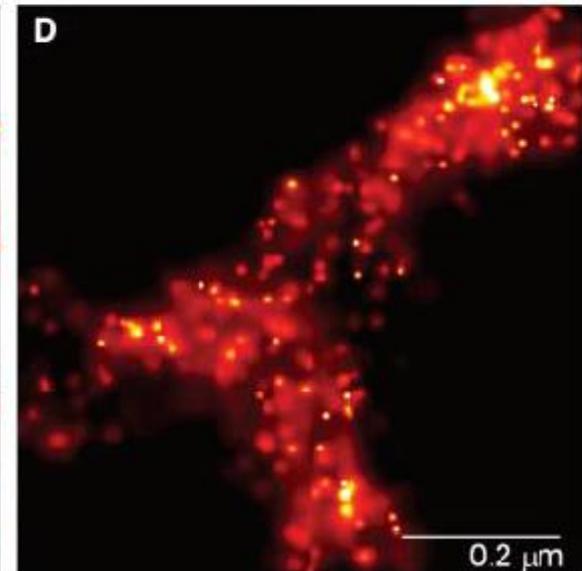
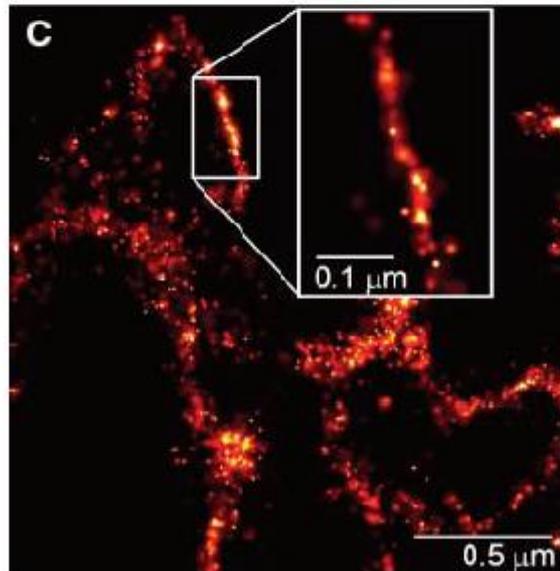
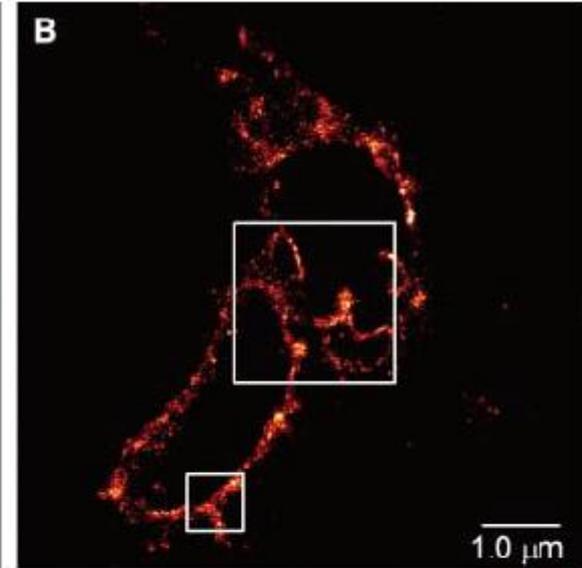
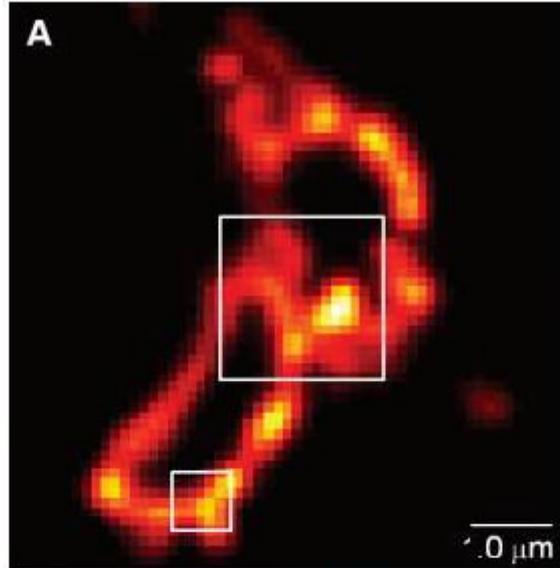
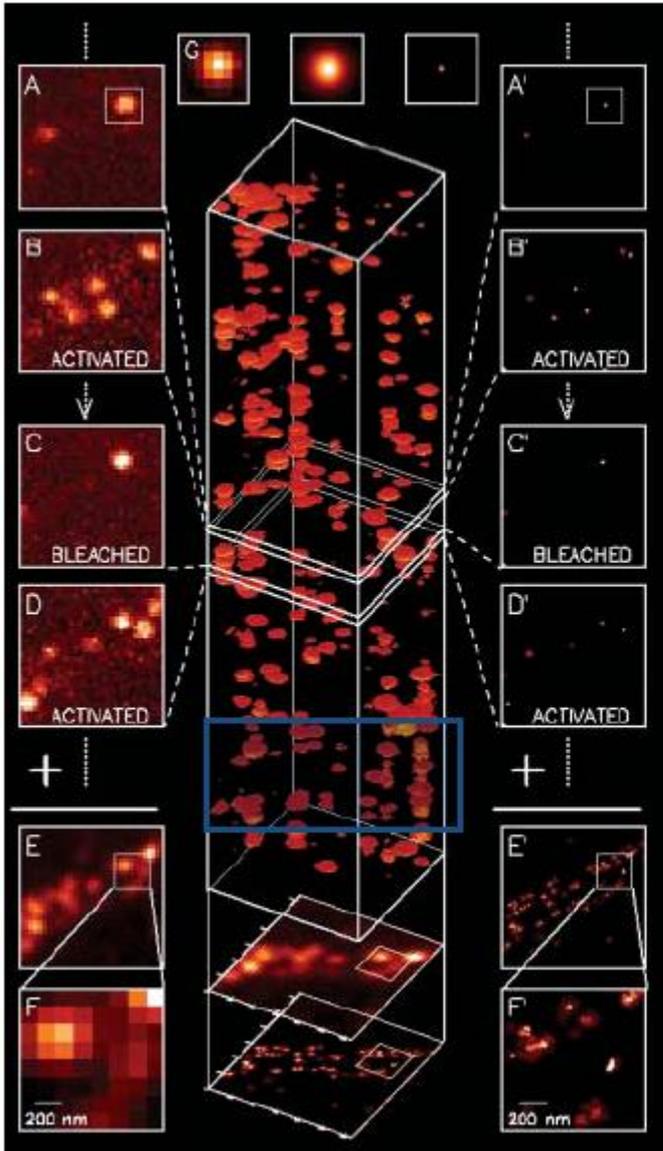
$$p(x, y) \approx Ce^{-\frac{(x-\mu_x)^2}{2\Delta^2} - \frac{(y-\mu_y)^2}{2\Delta^2}}$$

C is a normalisation constant,  $\mu_x$  and  $\mu_y$  define the lateral center of the PSF and  $\Delta$  is equal to Abbe's diffraction limit in Eq. 1 above. From the knowledge that the photon distribution on the detector stems from a point source, the center of the point spread function can be estimated with a standard error,  $\Delta_{\min}$ , in both the x and y coordinates, given by (Bobroff, 1996; Webb, 2002):

$$\Delta_{\min} = \frac{\Delta}{\sqrt{N}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \frac{\lambda}{2n \sin \alpha}$$

N is the total number of photons registered by the detector, and it is seen that the spatial resolution of the microscope, taken as its ability to localize a point source,  $\Delta_{\min}$ , is improved from Abbe's original limit by the factor  $1/\sqrt{N}$ .

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