

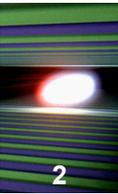


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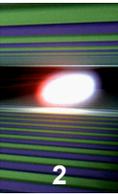
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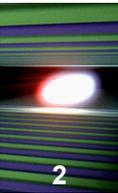
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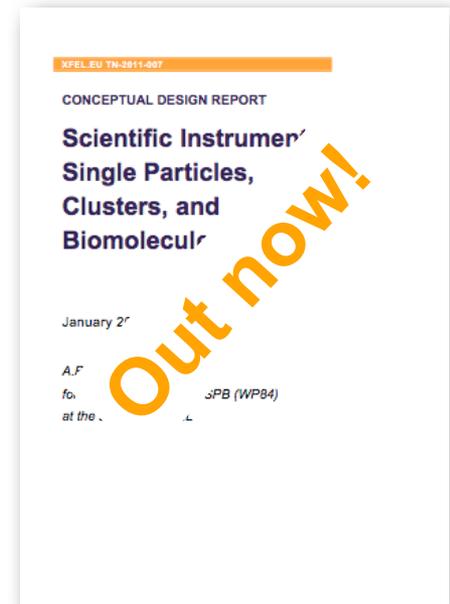
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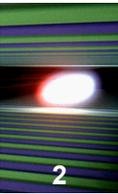
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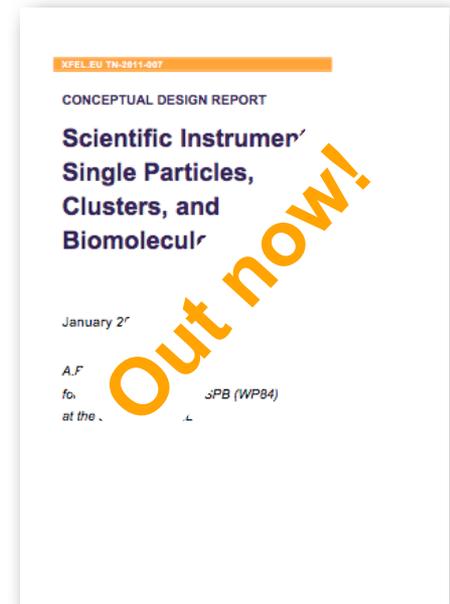


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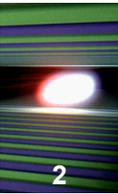




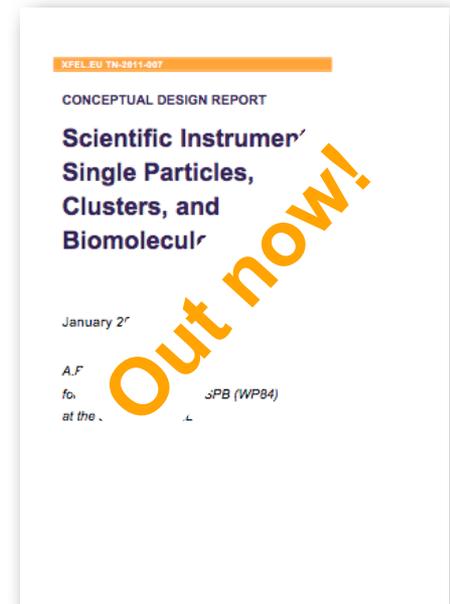
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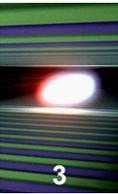


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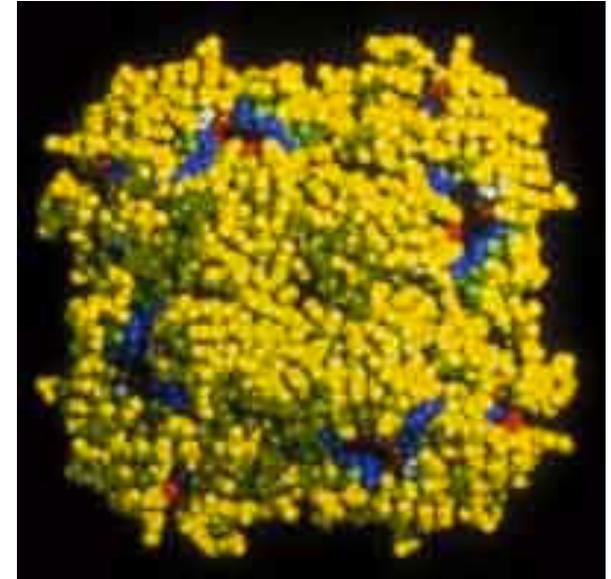


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A New(ish) Imaging Technique: The Why of Coherent Imaging with Ultrashort Pulses



- Structure of a molecule -> function
- Structure allows, eg, Rational Drug Design, Understanding of human biochemistry.
- Photons (X-rays) allow depth information from intact systems.
- Coherent Diffraction Imaging (CDI) seeks to image molecules and structures unable to be imaged by other means. These are structures < microns.

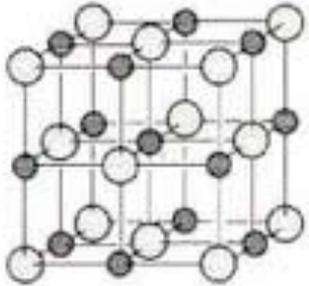
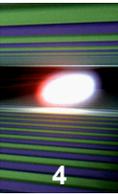


**Influenza virus
structure - A
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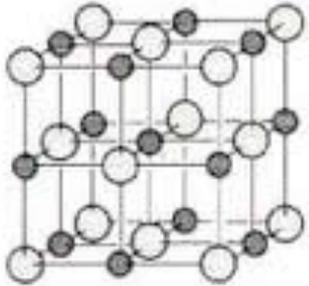
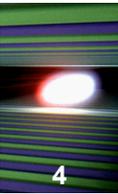
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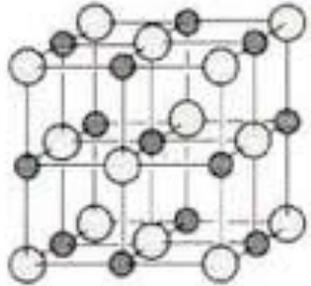
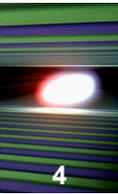


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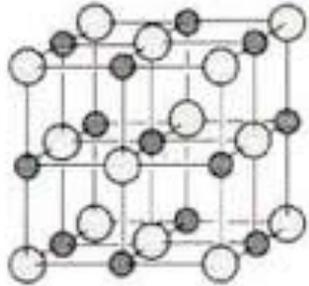
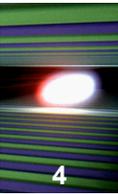


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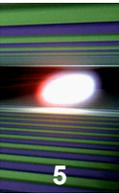
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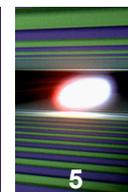
First guess solution: Just leave the x-rays on for longer!

The problem of radiation damage

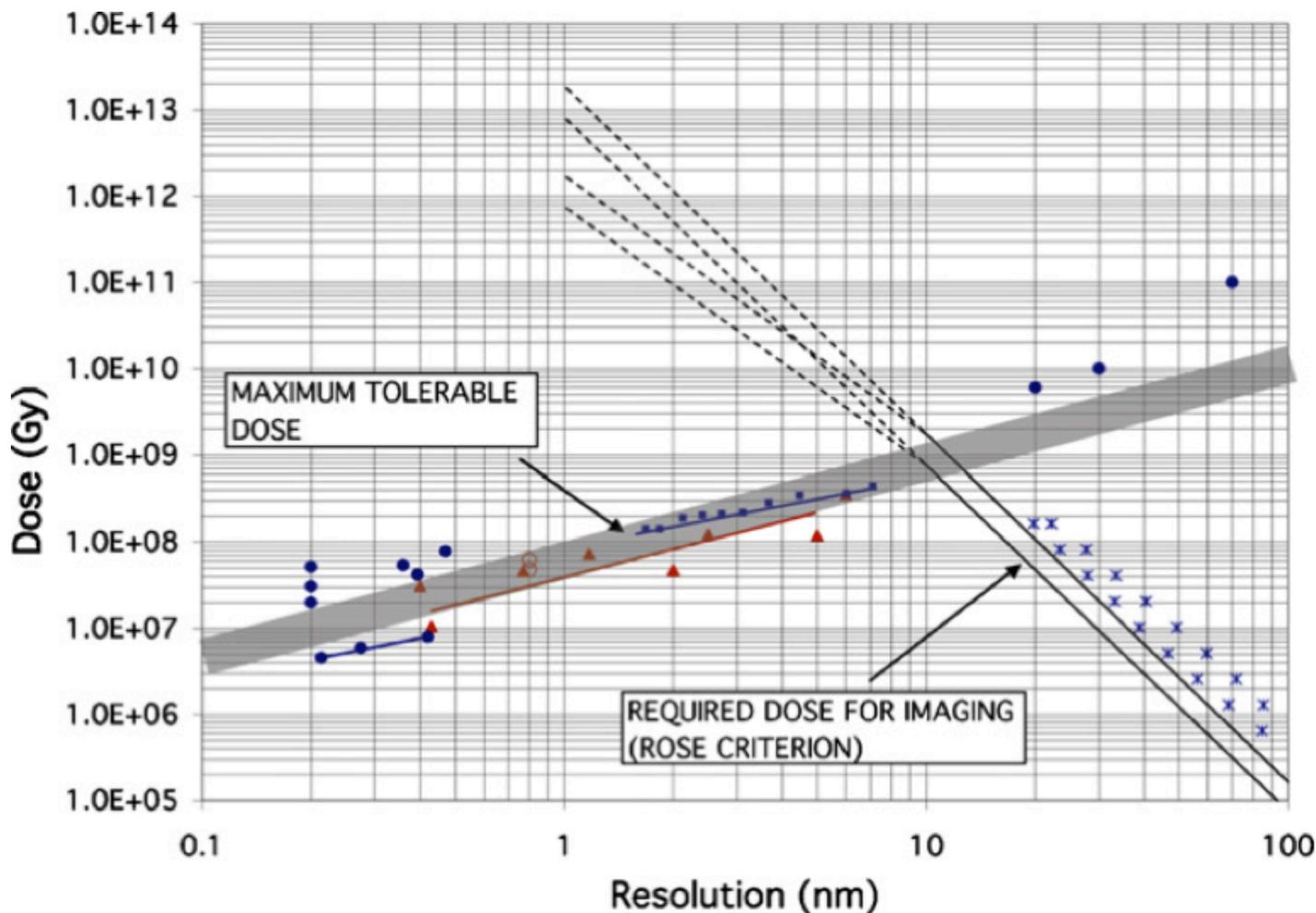


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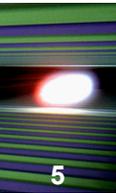


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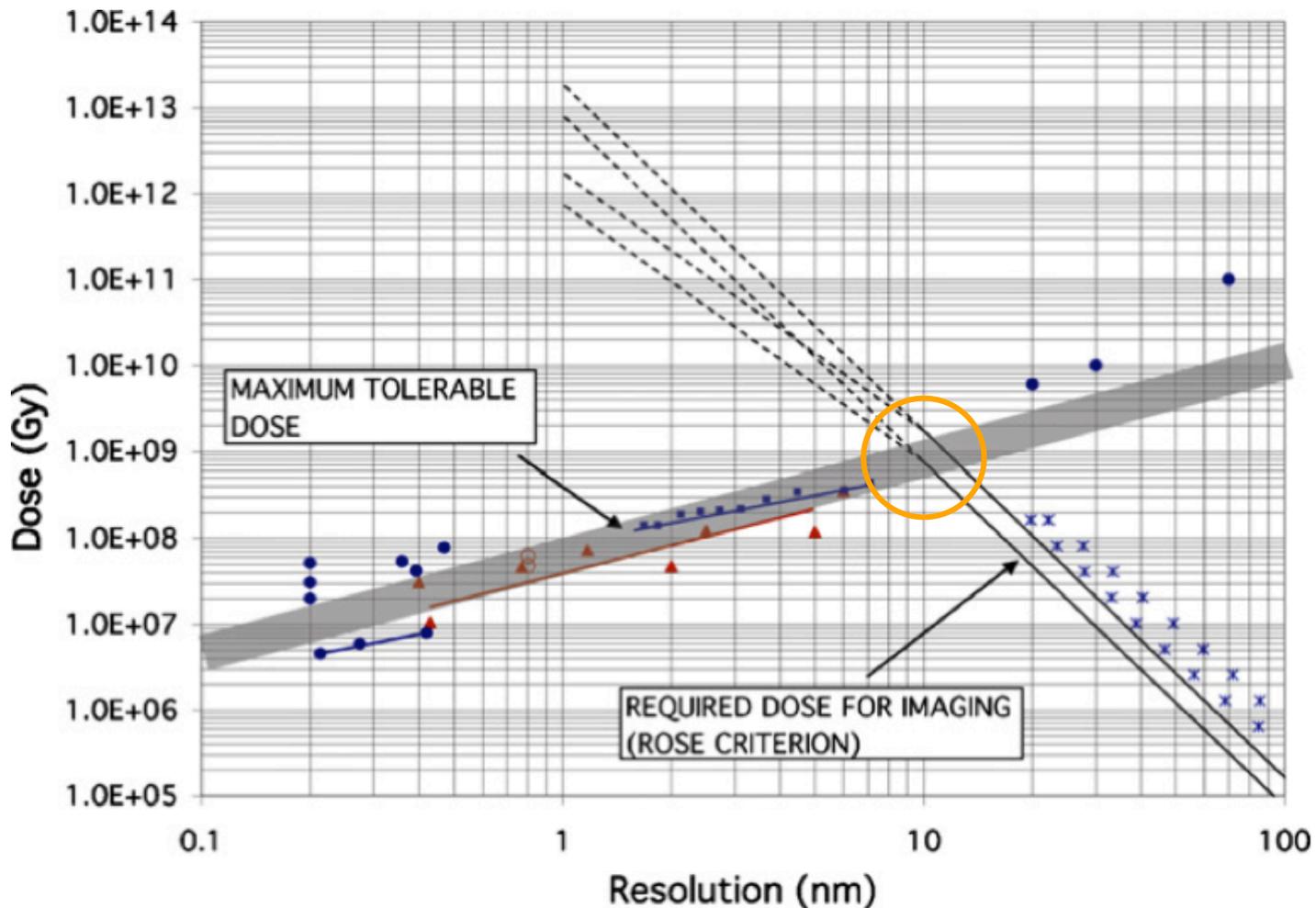


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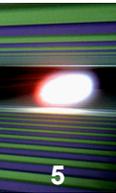


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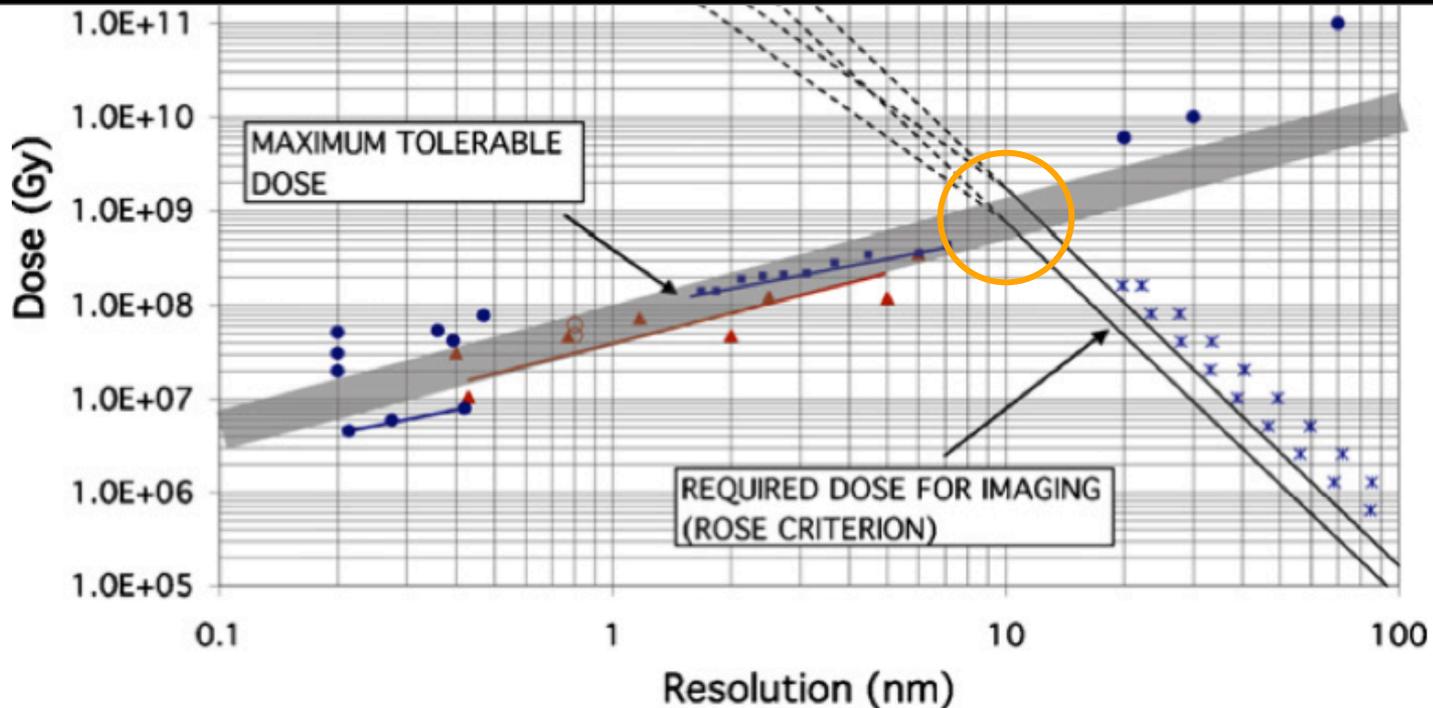
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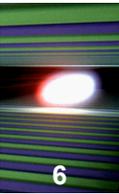
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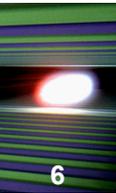
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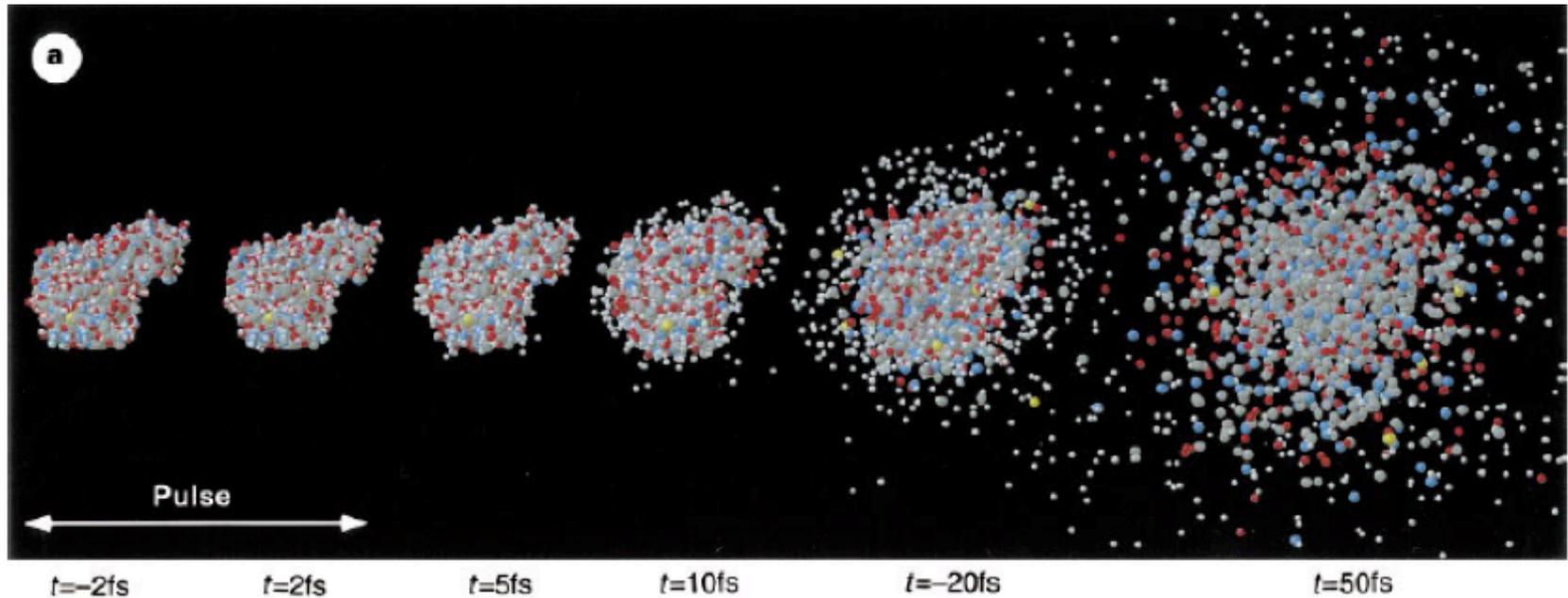


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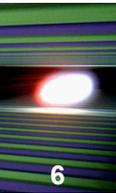
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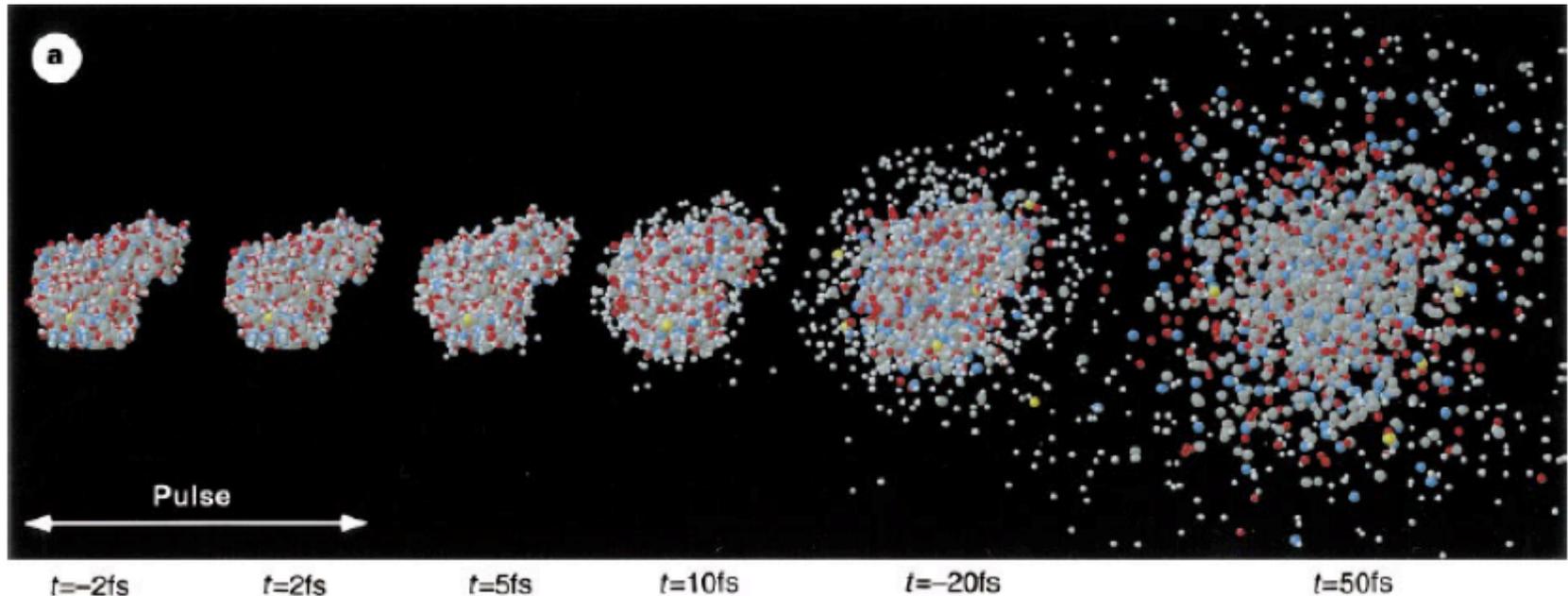
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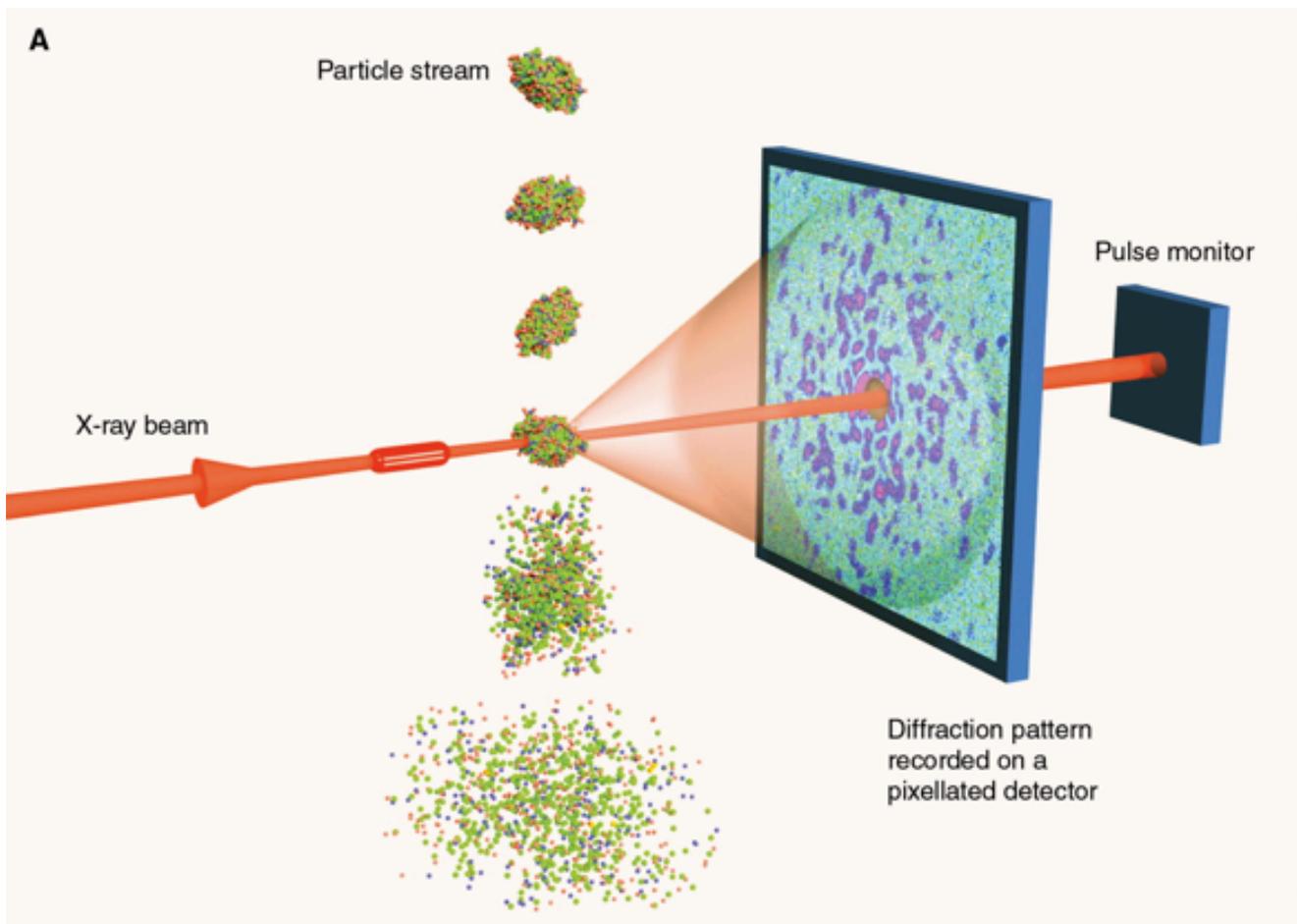
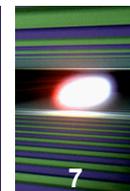


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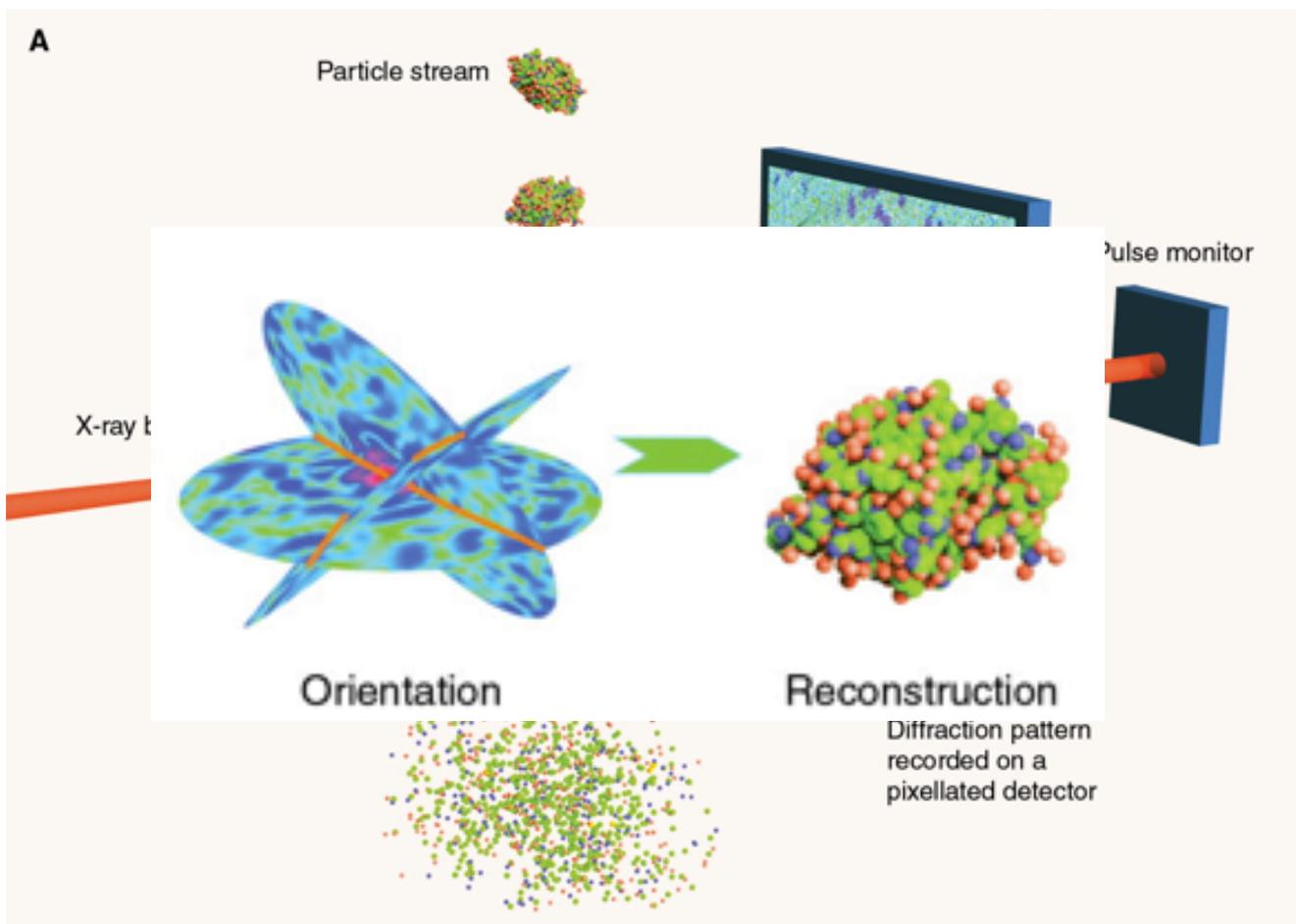
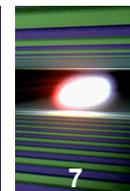
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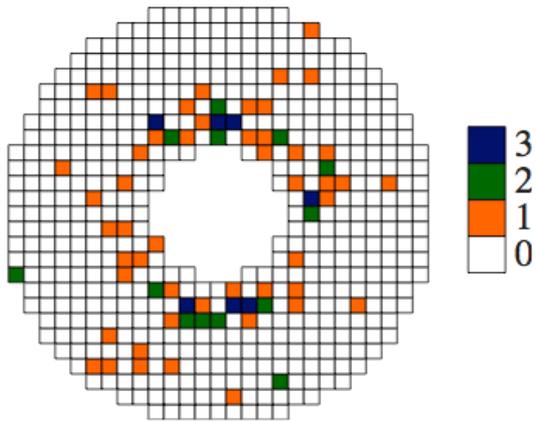
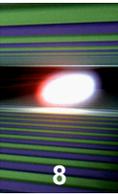
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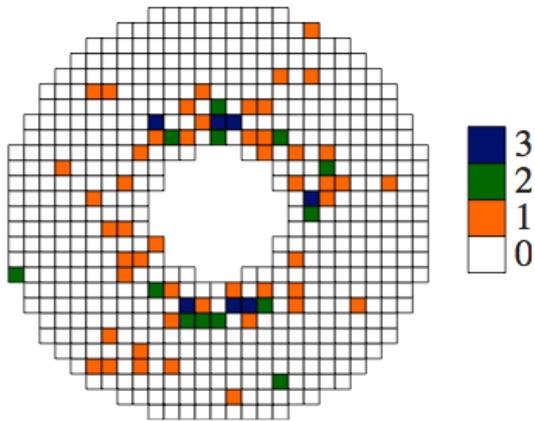
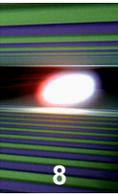
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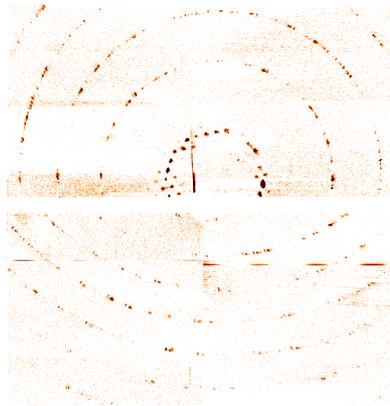
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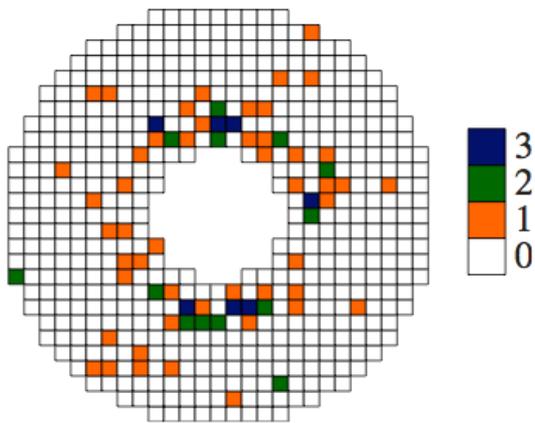
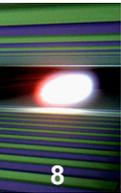


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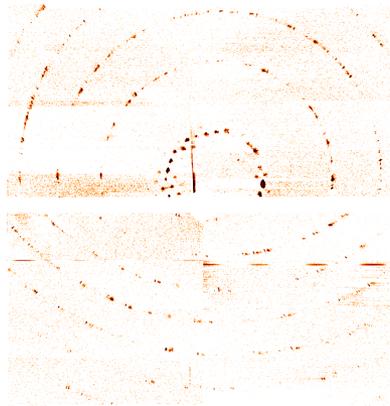
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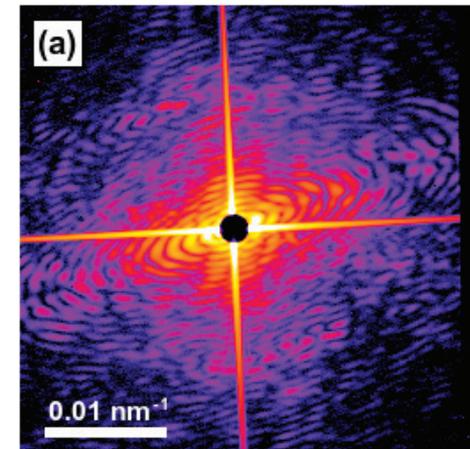
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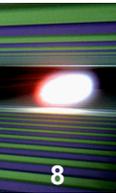
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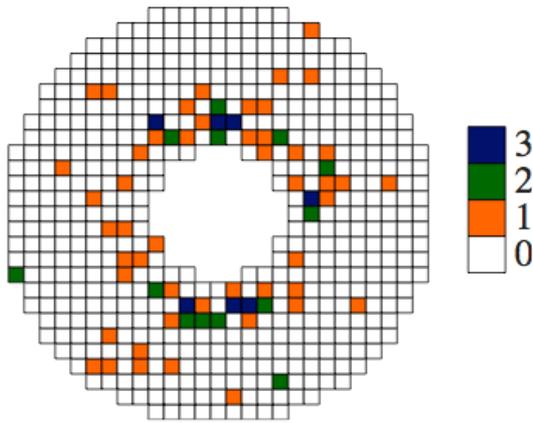
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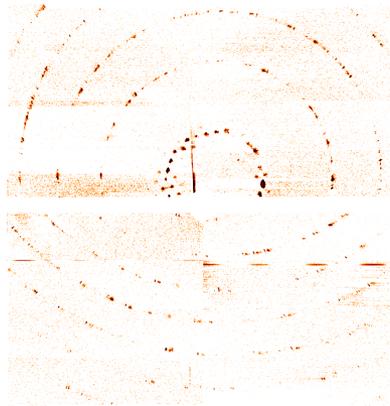
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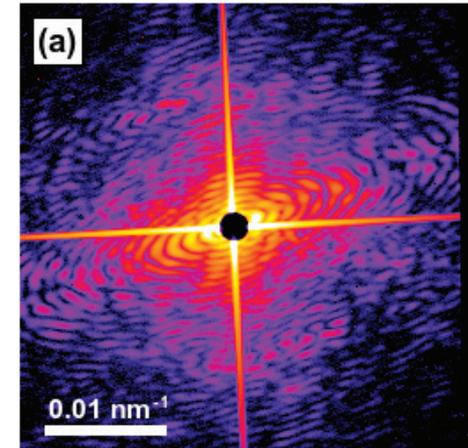
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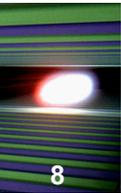
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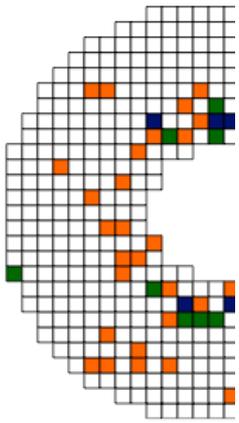


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And of course many more...



FCDI



In-line Holography



FTH



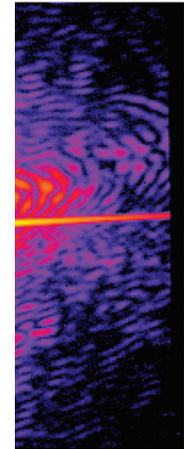
Small angle scattering



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Pump-probe version of all these



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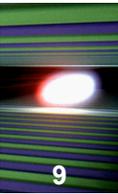
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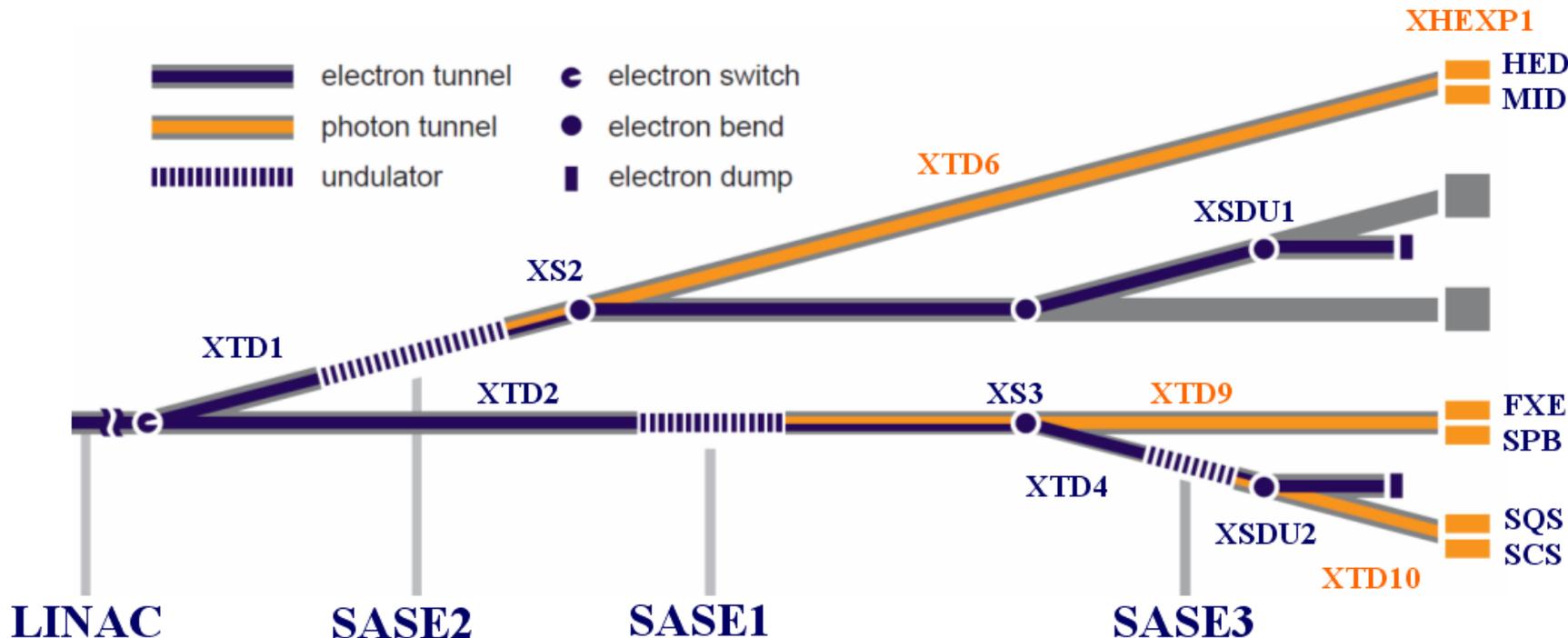
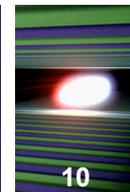
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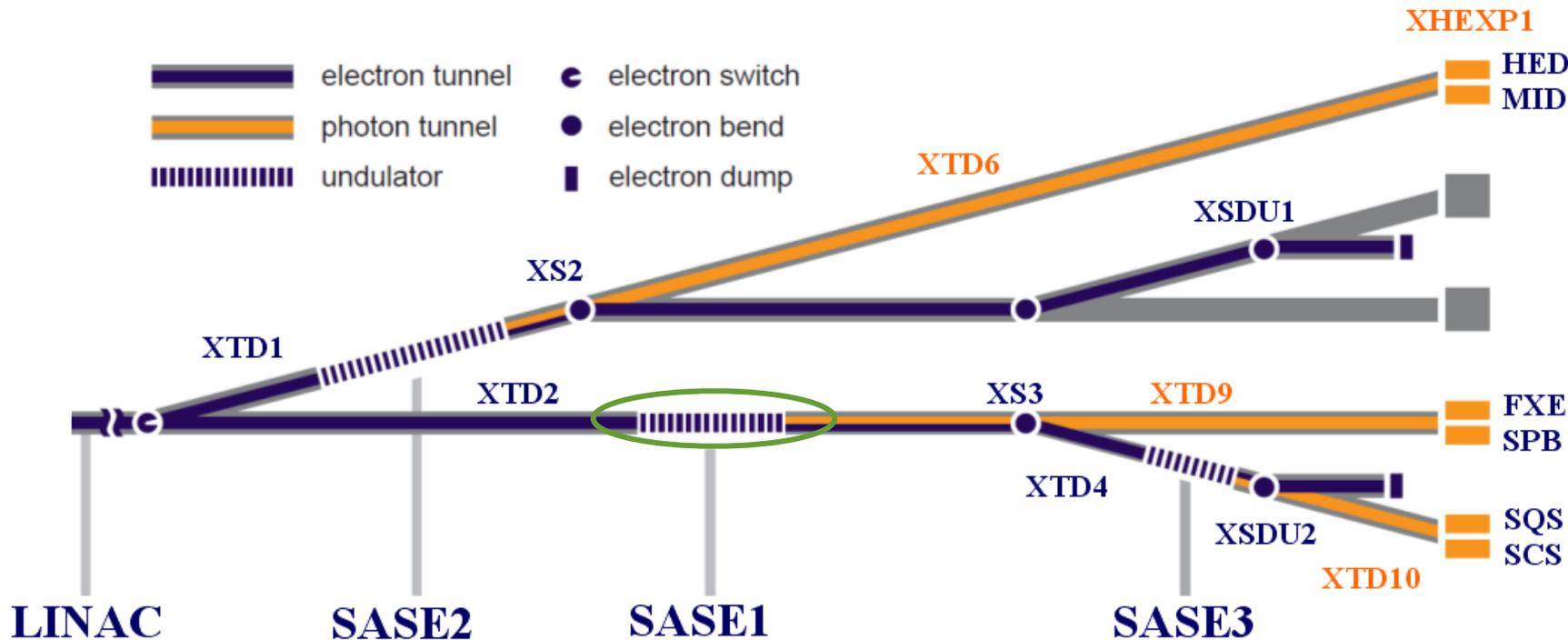
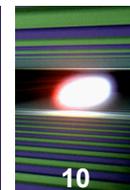


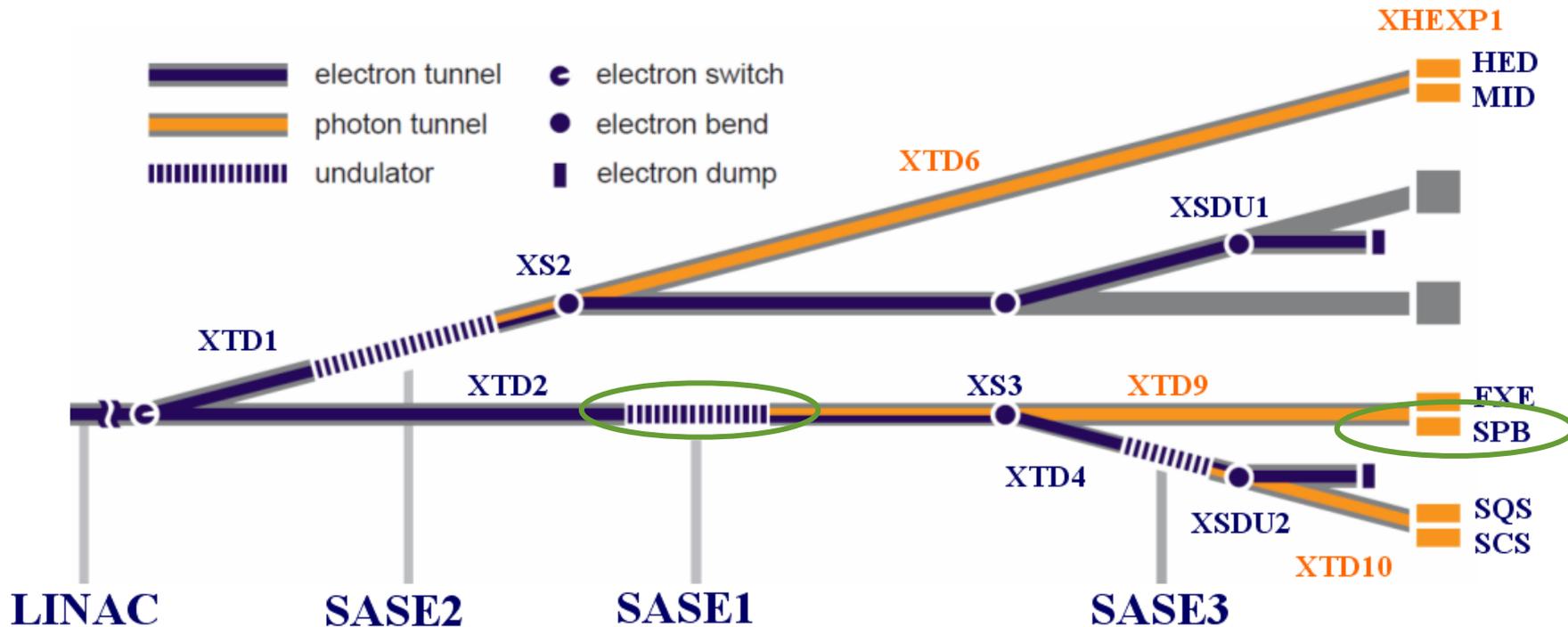
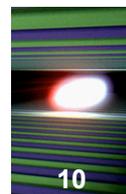
- Maximum flux to sample (A, B, C)
- Wavefront preserving (or characterisable) (A, B*, C)
- Spot size(s) comparable to sample size(s) (A, B, C)

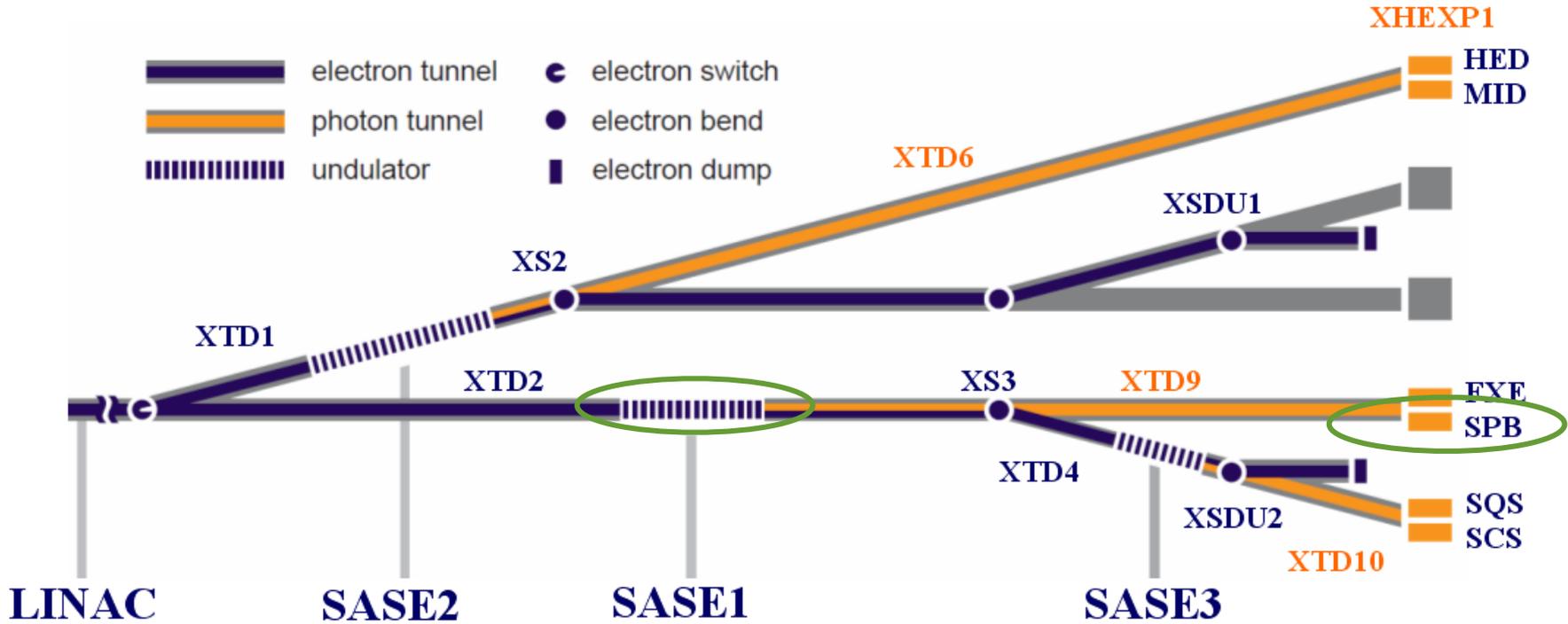
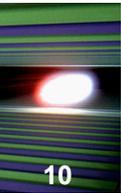
- Single photon counting detector (A)
- High dynamic range detector (B, C)
- Large number of pixels in detector (B, A*, C*)

- Single shot beam diagnostics (A, B, C)





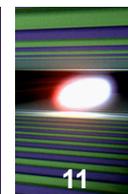




SASE1 undulator and beam transport deliver photons ≥ 3 keV

XFEL.EU delivers 2700 pulses / train (27 000 pulses / s)

Photon beam parameters at SASE 1 (at saturation)



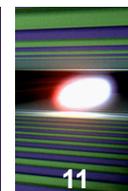
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Peak power	GW	46	37	24	35	24	12	29	15	9
Average power	W	2	23	69	2	15	34	1	9	27
Source size (FWHM)	μm	31	39	46	29	37	49	29	35	54
S. divergence (FWHM)	μrad	2.8	2.3	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.0
Spectral bandwidth	1E-3	2.3	1.9	1.4	1.9	1.4	1.0	1.6	1.3	0.8
Coherence time	fs	0.16	0.20	0.27	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.12	0.15	0.23
Coherence degree		0.96	0.96	0.91	0.95	0.91	0.71	0.96	0.84	0.57
Photons/pulse	1E11	0.6	7.0	20.7	0.3	2.8	6.4	0.2	1.4	4.0
Pulse energy	μJ	76	864	2570	58	549	1260	49	347	991
Peak brilliance	1E33*	2.38	2.41	1.96	3.54	3.17	1.6	4.26	2.46	1.6
Average brilliance	1E23*	1.1	15.1	56.8	1.6	19.9	46.4	1.9	15.5	46.2

* In units of photons/(mm² mrad² 0.1% bandwidth s)

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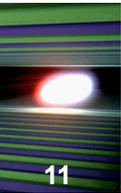
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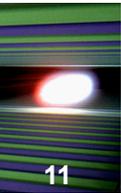
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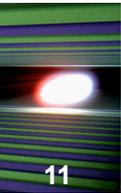
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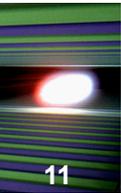
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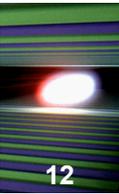
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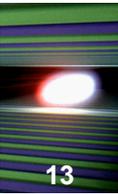
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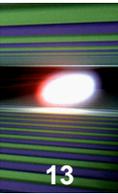
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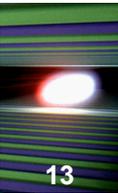


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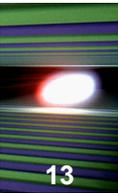
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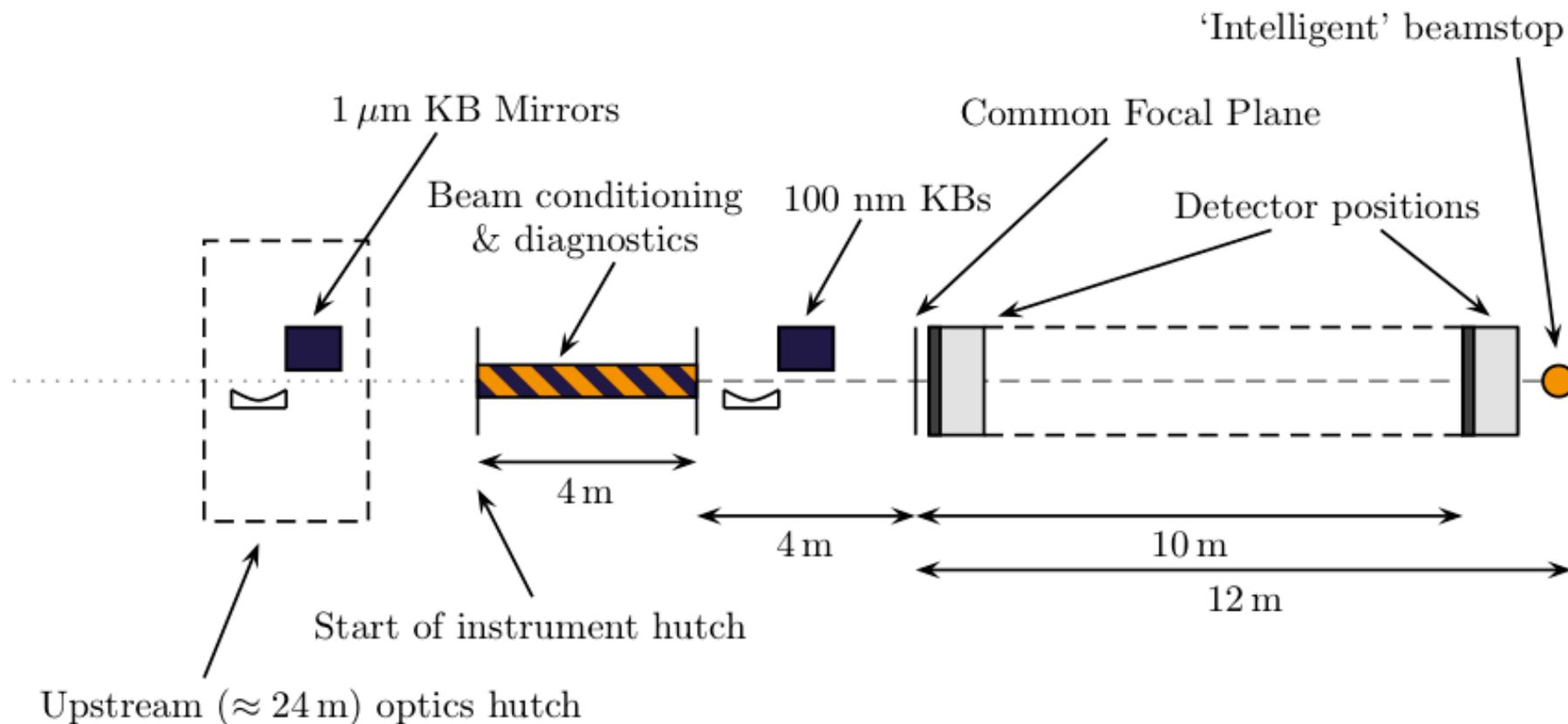
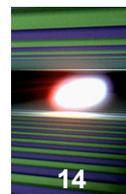


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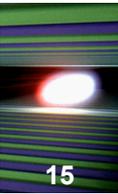
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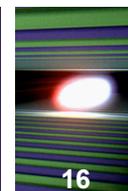


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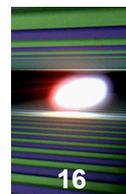
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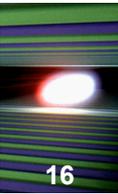
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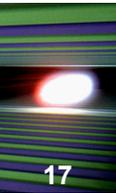


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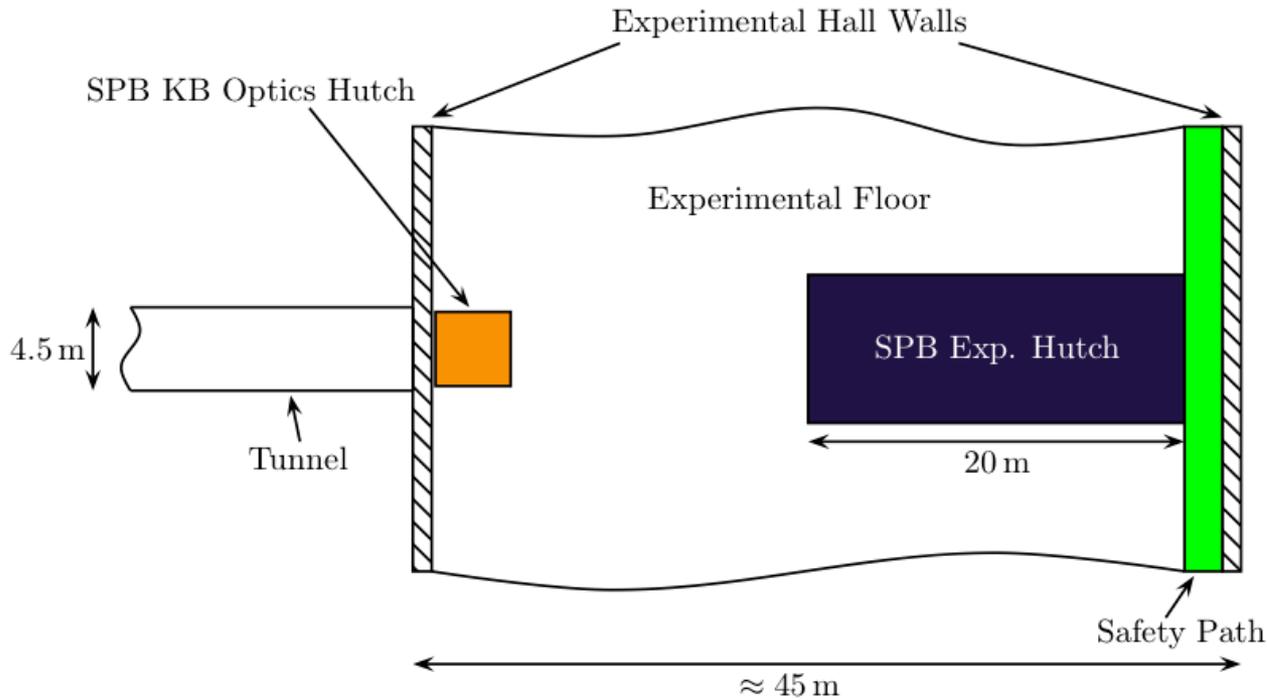
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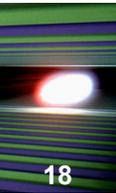


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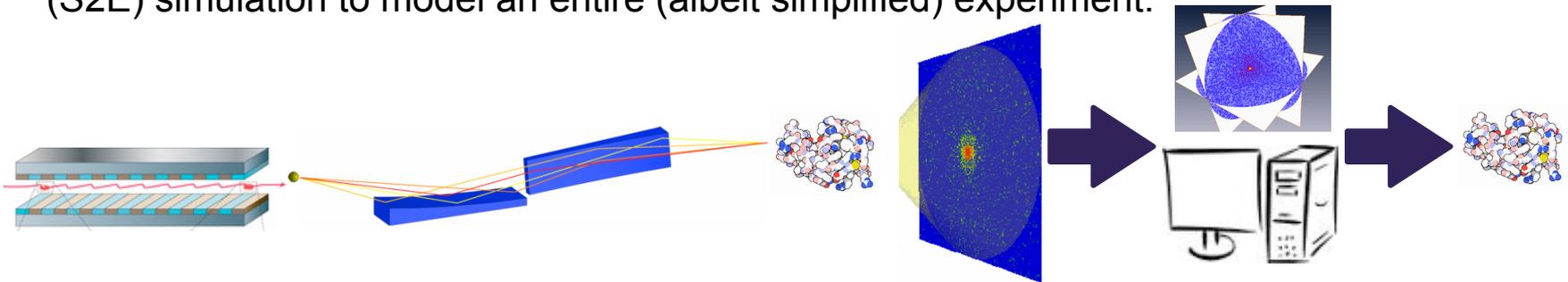


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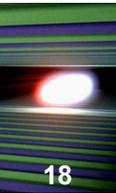


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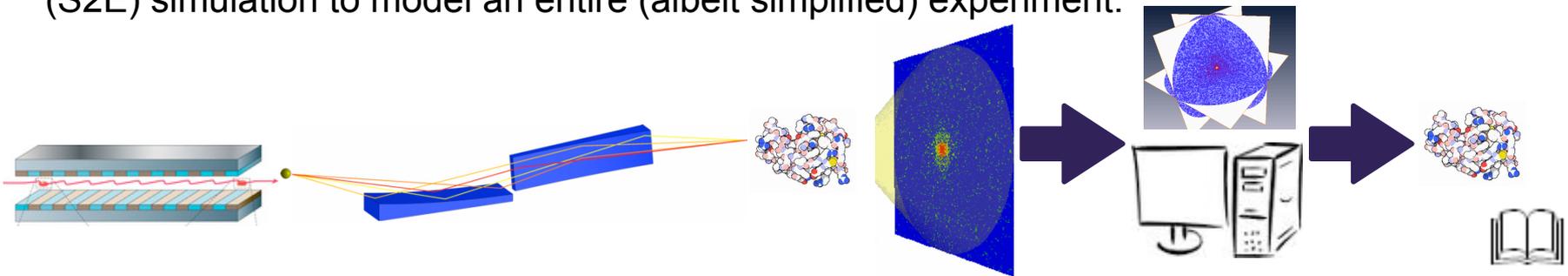
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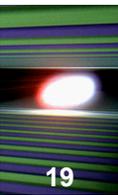


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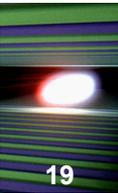
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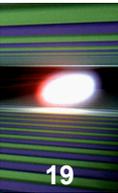
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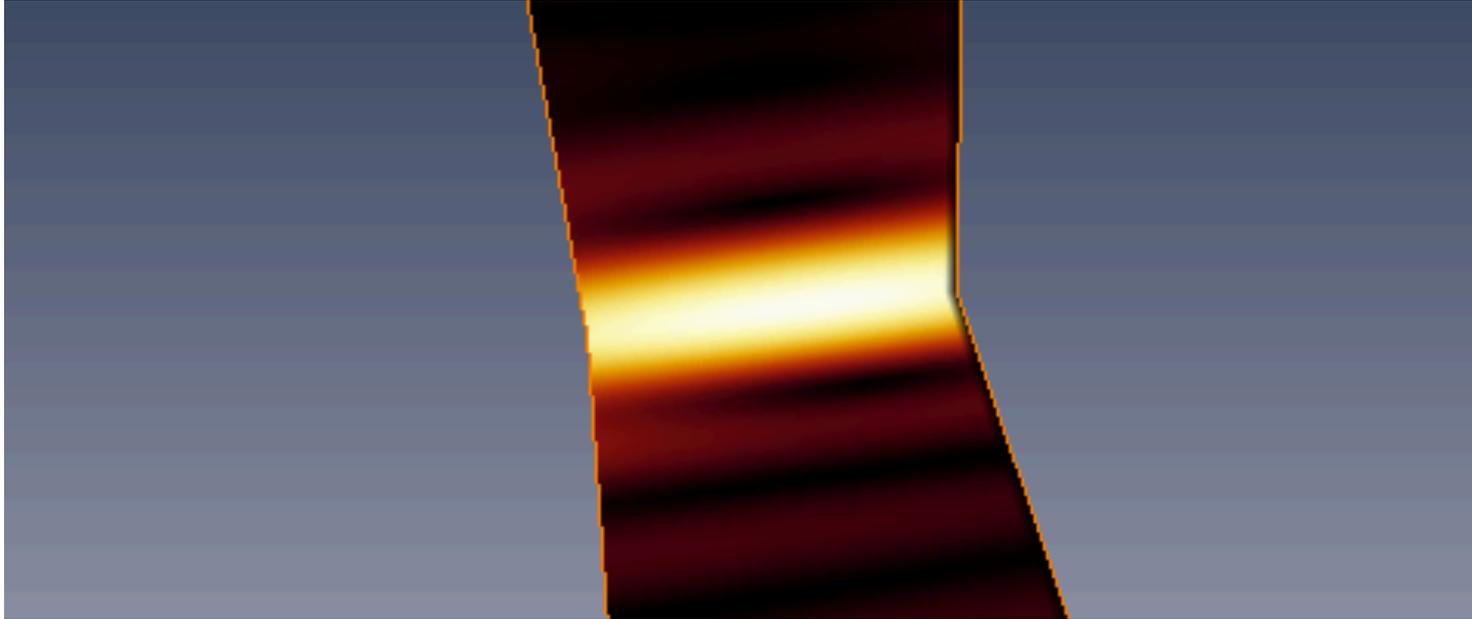
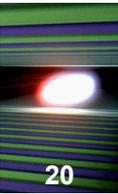
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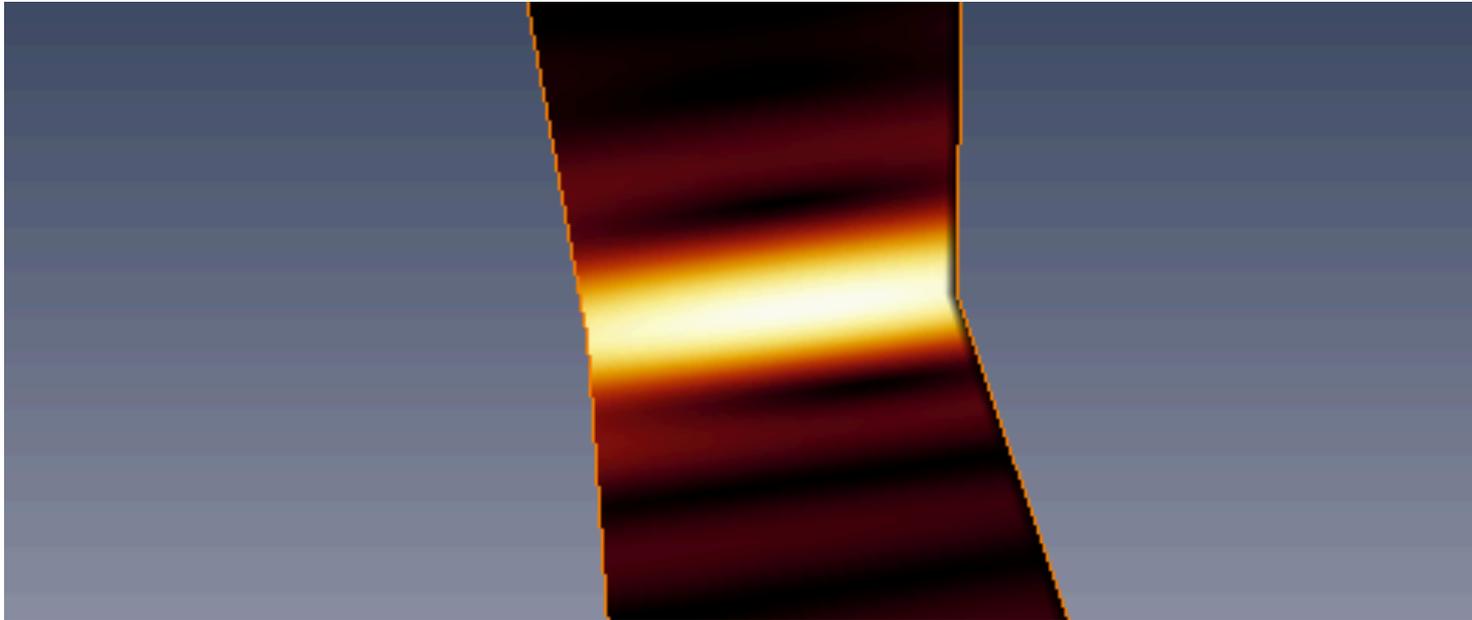
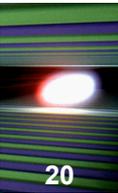
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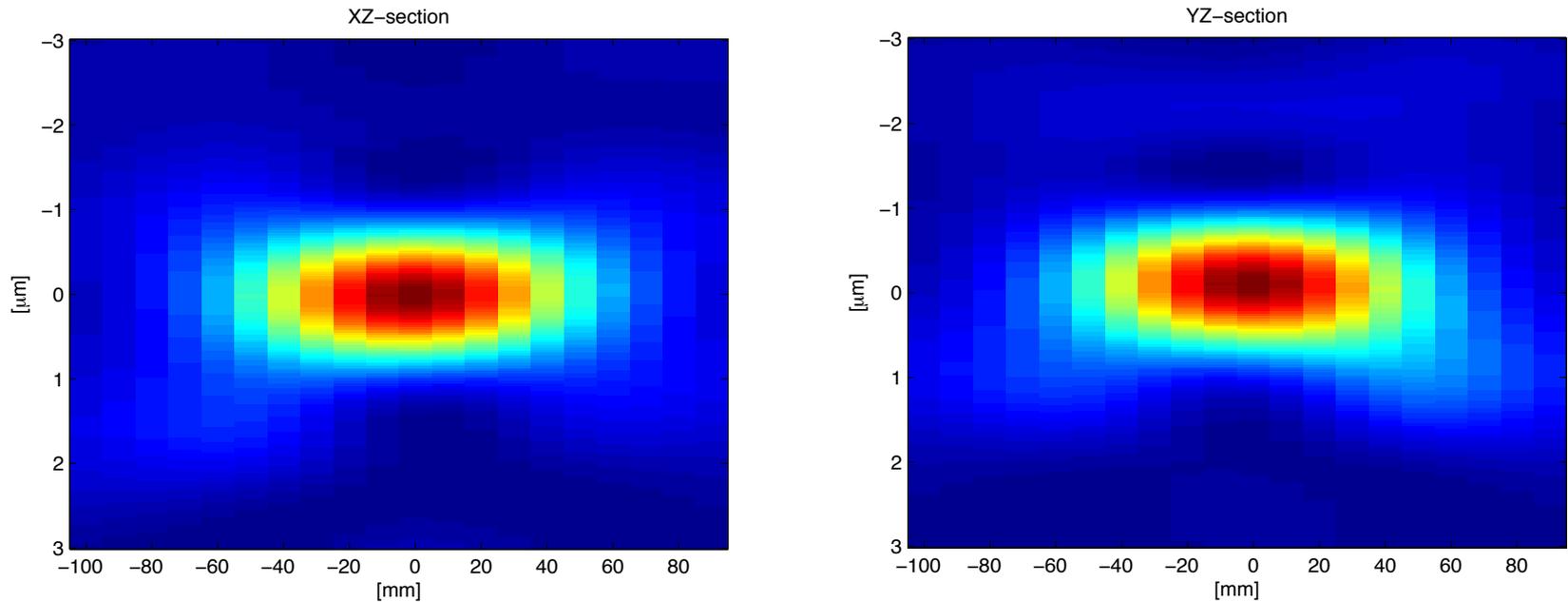
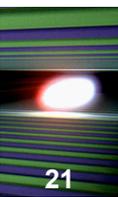
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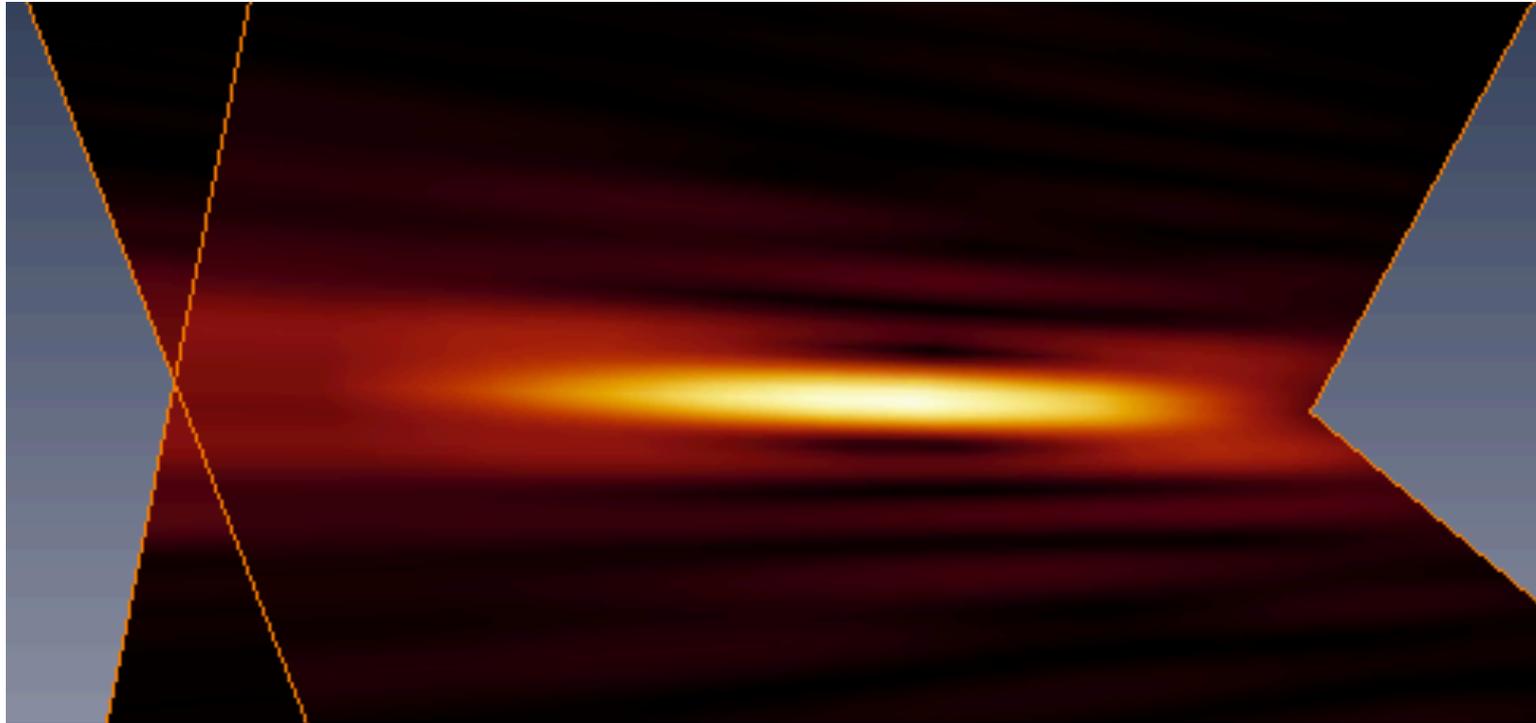
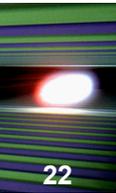
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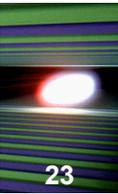
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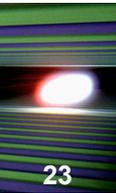
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Short Conclusion

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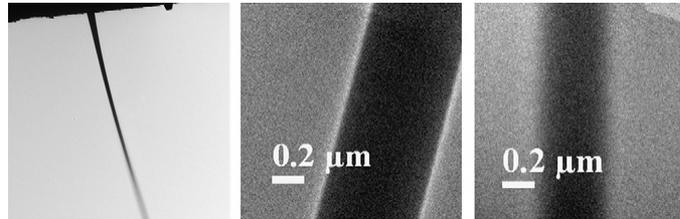
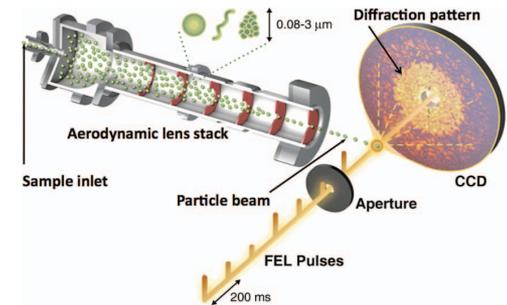


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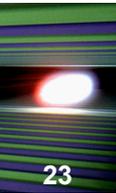
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The three key ways of getting the sample to the interaction region



- Liquid Jet
- Aerodynamic Jet
- Fixed target

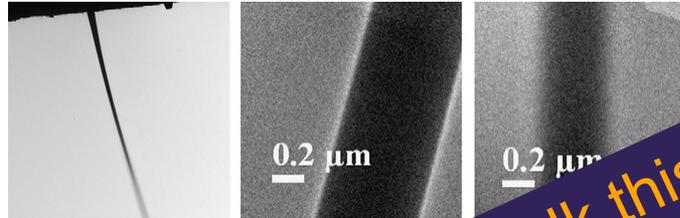
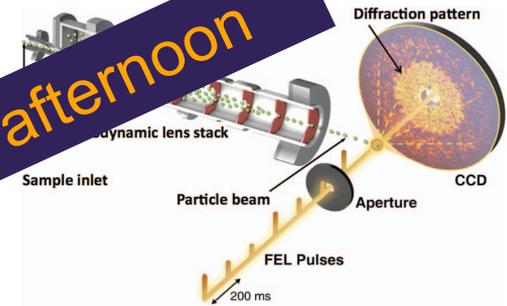


Fig. 3. TEM micrographs of a liquid jet. Left—low-magnification image of a water jet showing transition from unbroken jet to broken jet. Middle—high-magnification image of IPA jet, 600 nm diameter. Right—high-magnification image of IPA jet, 350 nm diameter.

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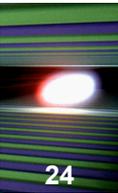
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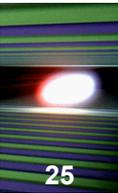


Requirements on detection: What we want



- The key properties that a 2D area detector for coherent imaging applications at the European XFEL should ideally satisfy:
 - Compatibility with the 4.5 MHz repetition rate within individual pulse trains of FEL radiation
 - Ability to read out, or store for read out between trains, an entire train length (2700 pulses) of images, a third of this number when the accelerator is multiplexing to three beamlines or as many as is technically feasible.
 - High quantum efficiency across the operating range (for SPB 3–16 keV)
 - Single photon sensitivity ($> 5 \sigma$) across the operating range of the detector (that is, less than one false positive per megapixel)

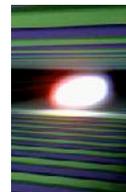
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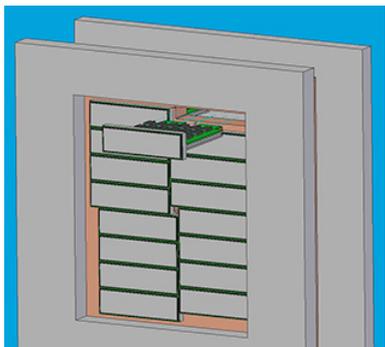
- High dynamic range (preferably as much as six (6) orders of magnitude [ref-SPB-Workshop-Report], but as high as is practicable). This can be mitigated by the use of a second detector in a single experiment.
- Pixel size that allows appropriate sampling of the diffraction data for the proposed sample sizes and propagation distances
- A number of pixels that is commensurate with the number of resolution elements required (ie at least 1k x 1k).

$$N_{res} = \frac{N_{detector}}{2\sigma}$$

- A well-calibrated (but not necessarily linear) response, which is accurate to better than Poissonian noise.
- An adjustable sized hole that can be matched to the size of the direct beam for different beam sizes.
- In-vacuum operation that allows the direct beam to pass through the detector's central hole and propagate further downstream throughout this propagation in-vacuum.



AGIPD Adaptive Gain Integrating Pixel Detector (AGIPD)



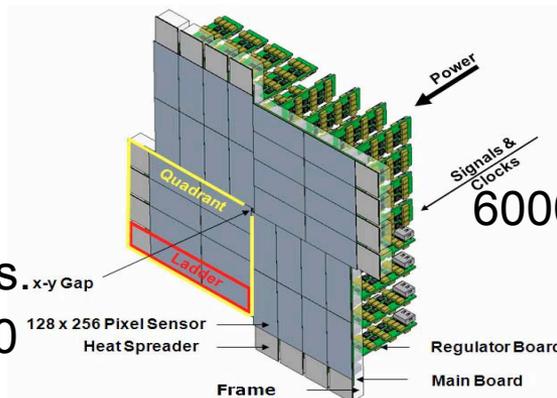
Energy range
3 - 13 keV

Dynamic range
 10^4 @12 keV

Single Photon Sens.
Storage Cells \approx 300

Pixel size 200 μm

DEPFET Sensor with Signal Compression (DSSC)



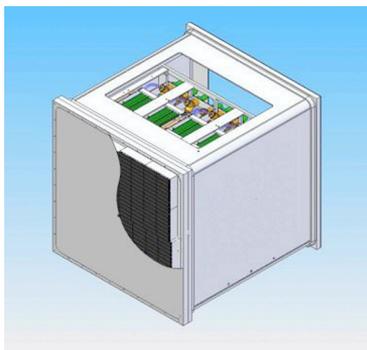
Energy range
0.5 - 6 keV (25 keV)

Dynamic range
6000 ph/pix/pulse@1 keV

Single Photon Sens.
Storage Cells \approx 640

Pixel size \sim 200 μm

Large Pixel Detector (LPD)



Energy range
5 (1) - 20 keV (25 keV)

Dynamic range
 10^5 @12 keV

Single Photon Sens.
Storage Cells \approx 512

Pixel size \sim 500 μm

Other Detectors

- 0D/1D detectors for high repetition rate applications (e.g. veto, dispersive spectrometers)
- Small areas, low rep. rate, low energy 2D imaging detectors
- Particle detectors (eTOF, iTOF)



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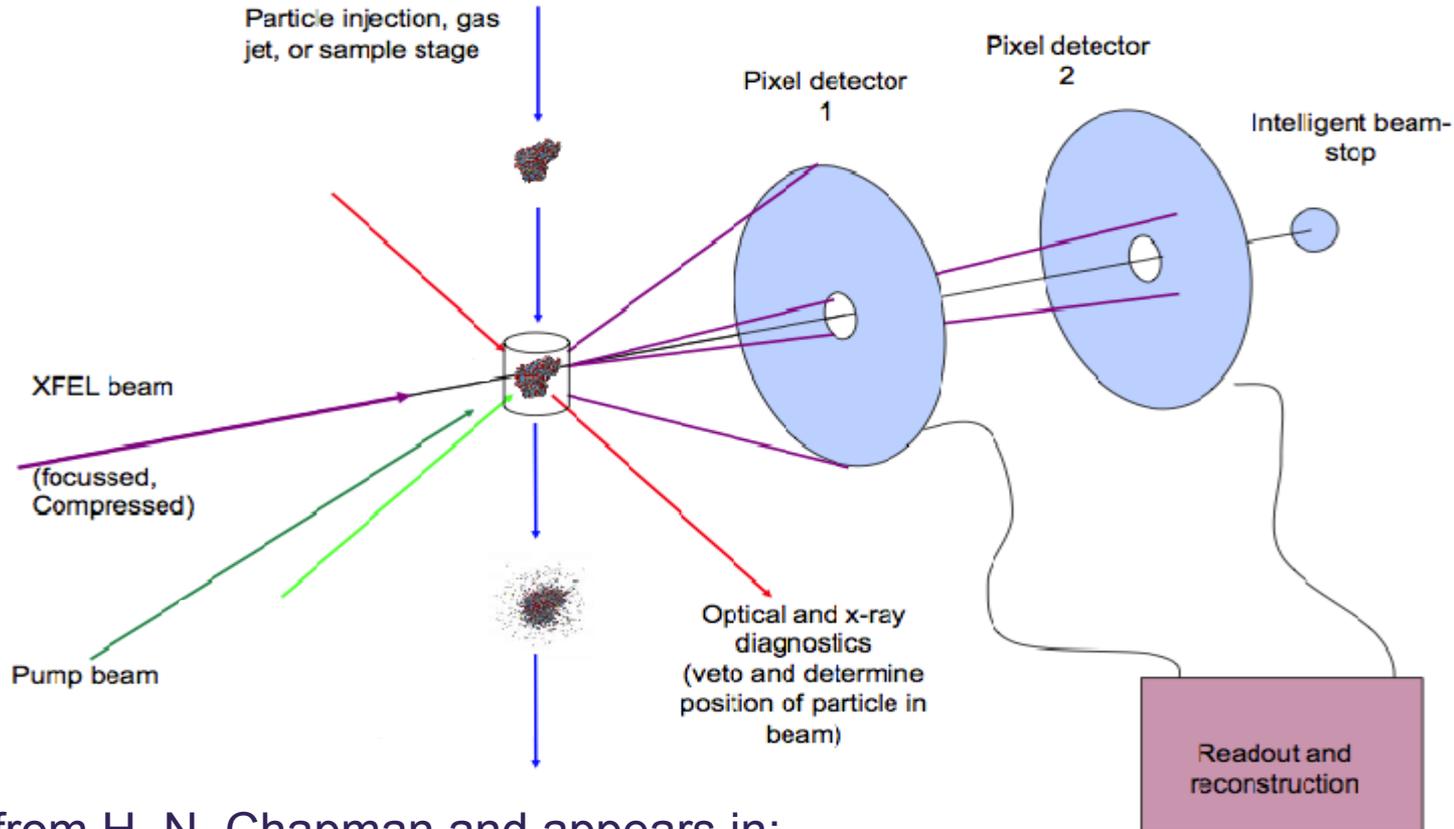
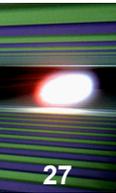


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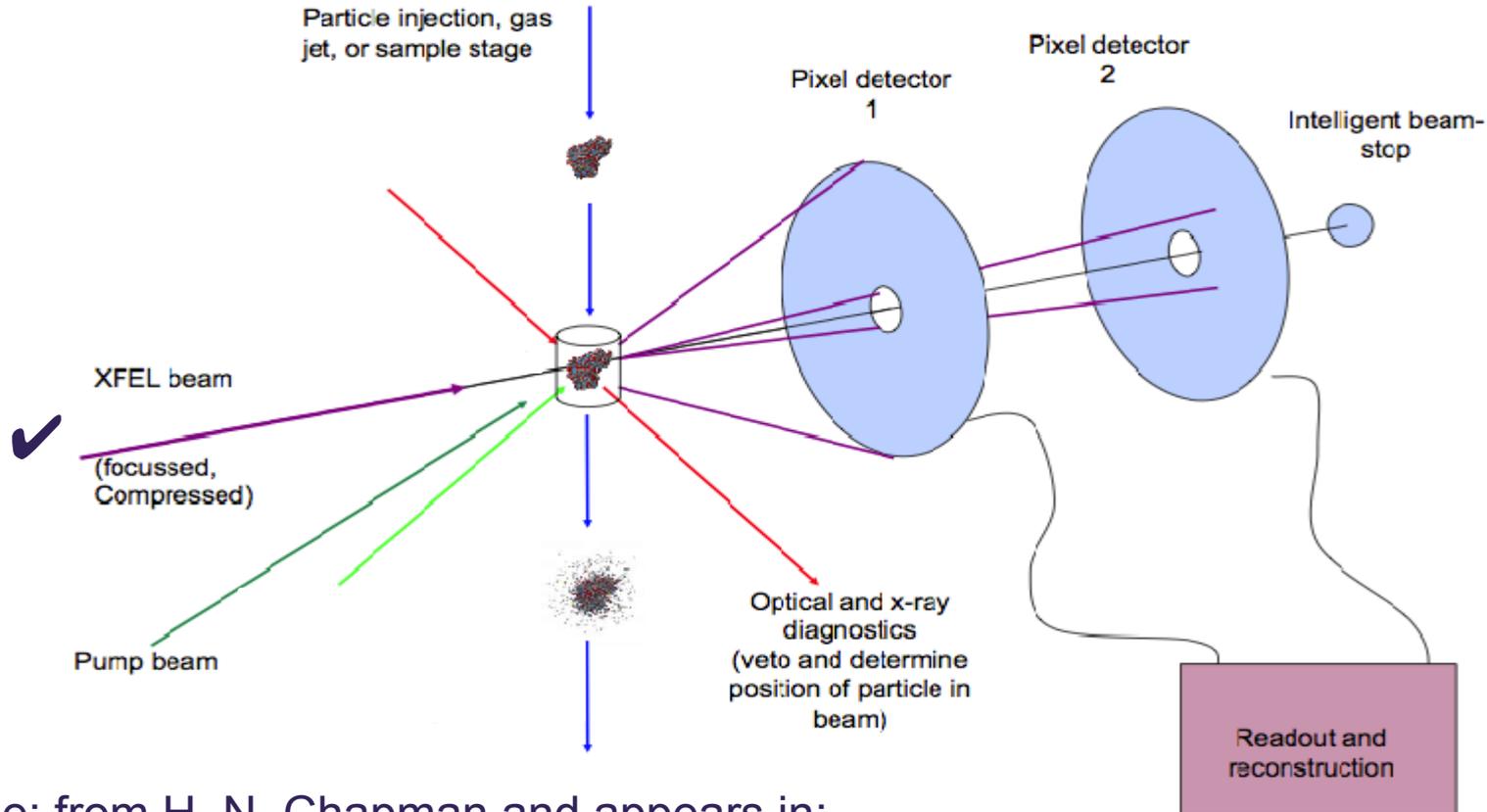
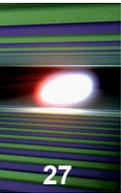


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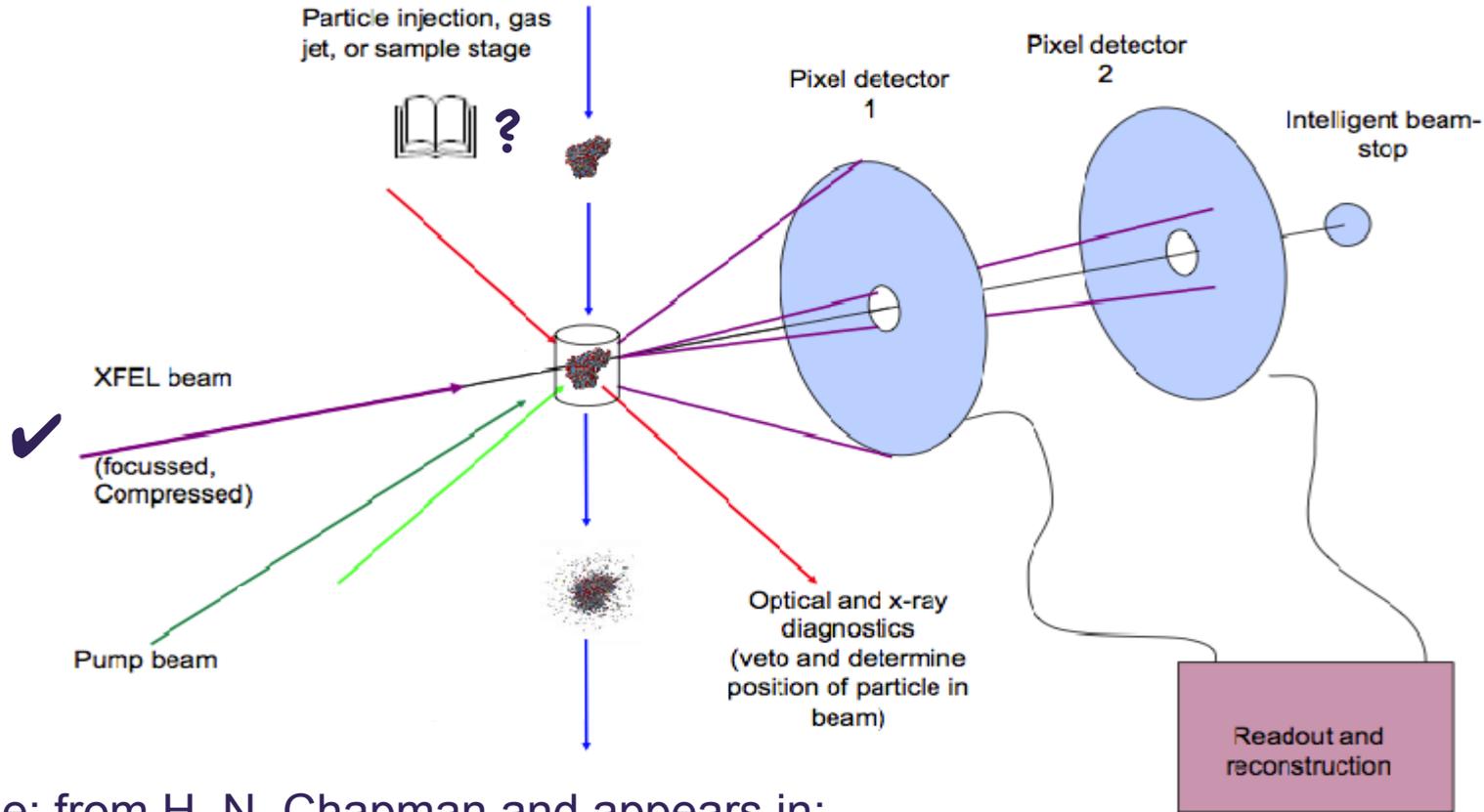
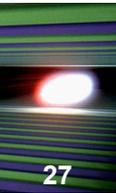


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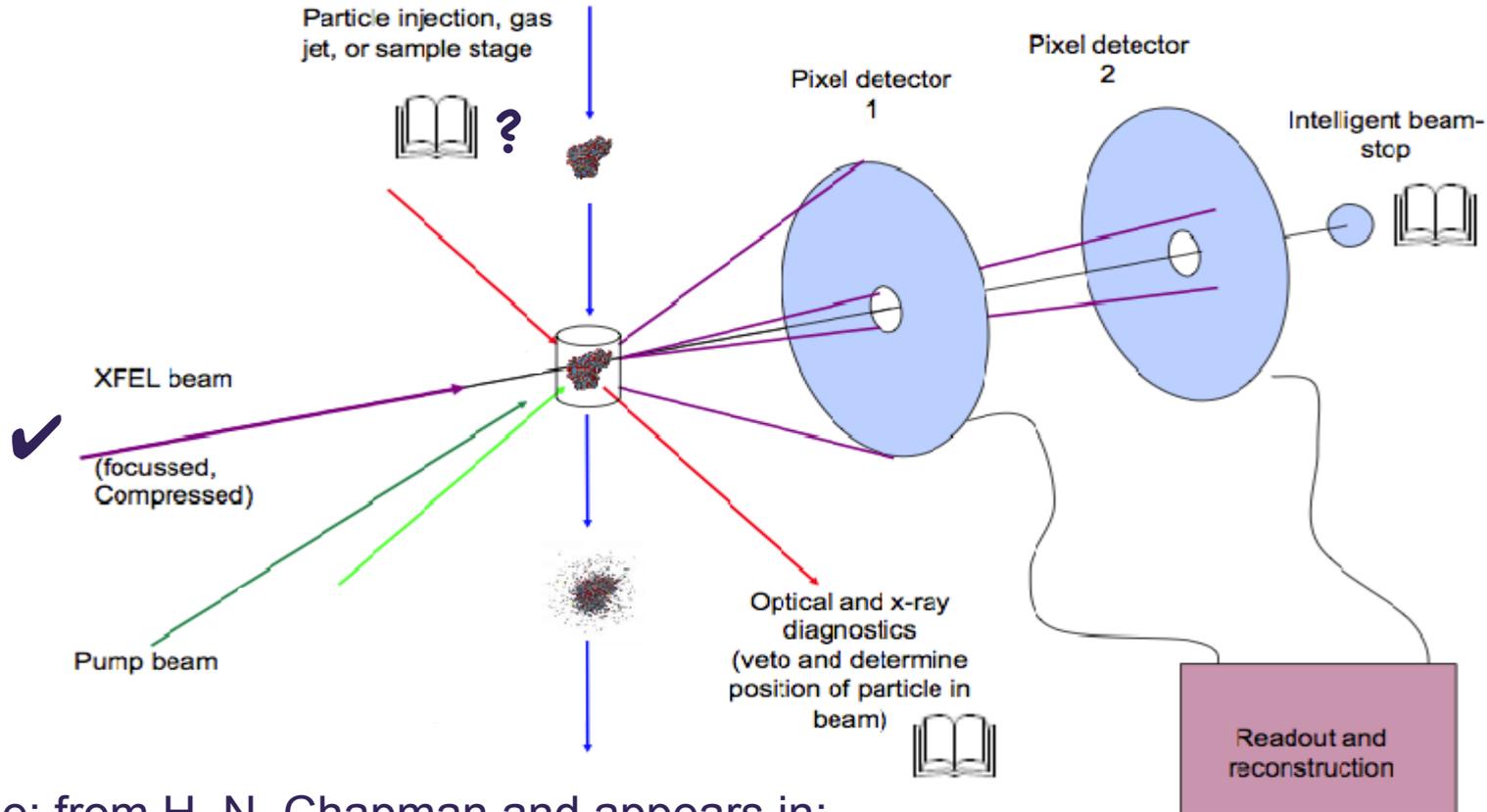
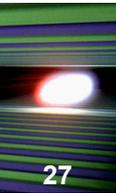


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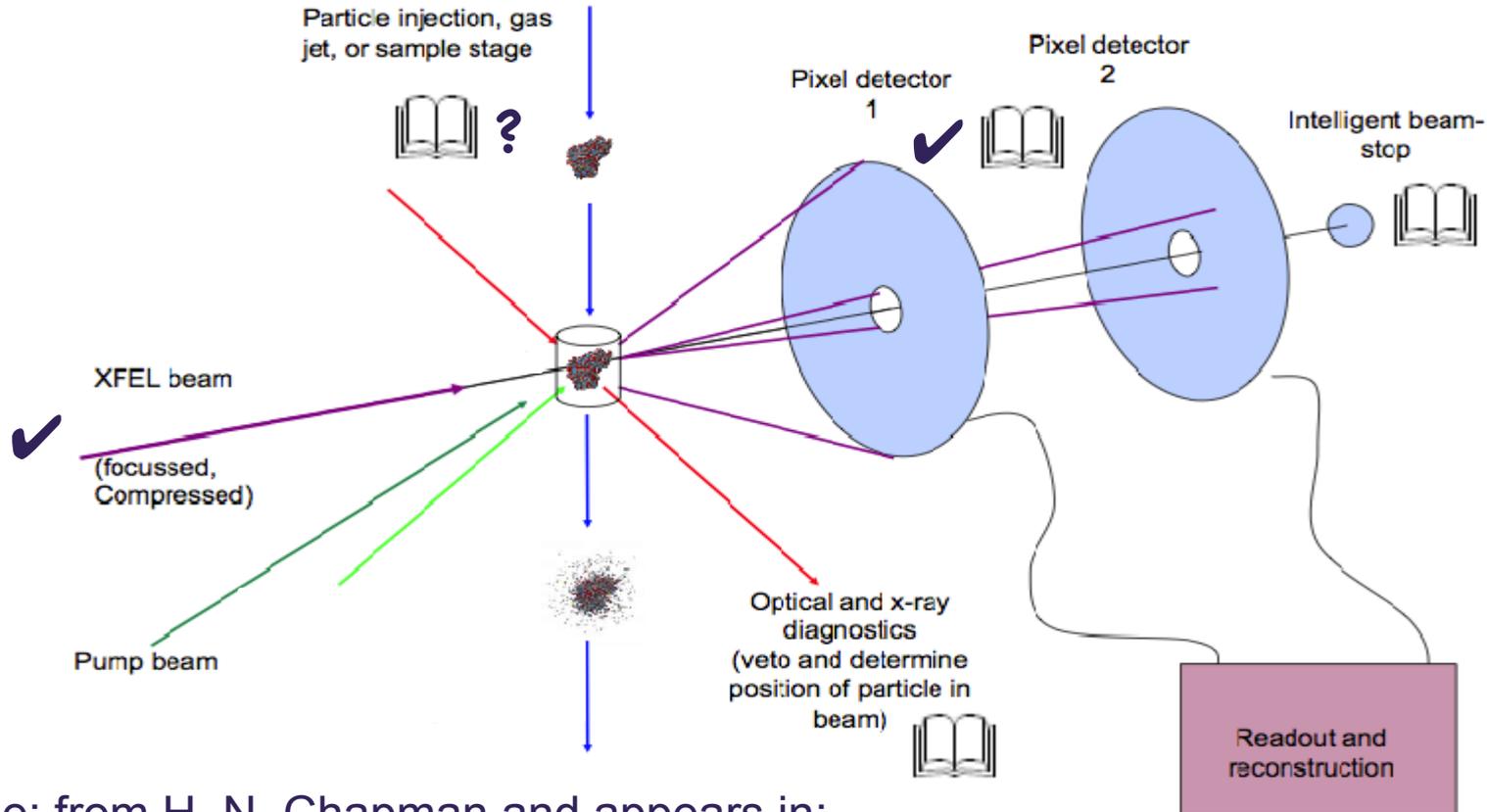
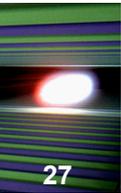


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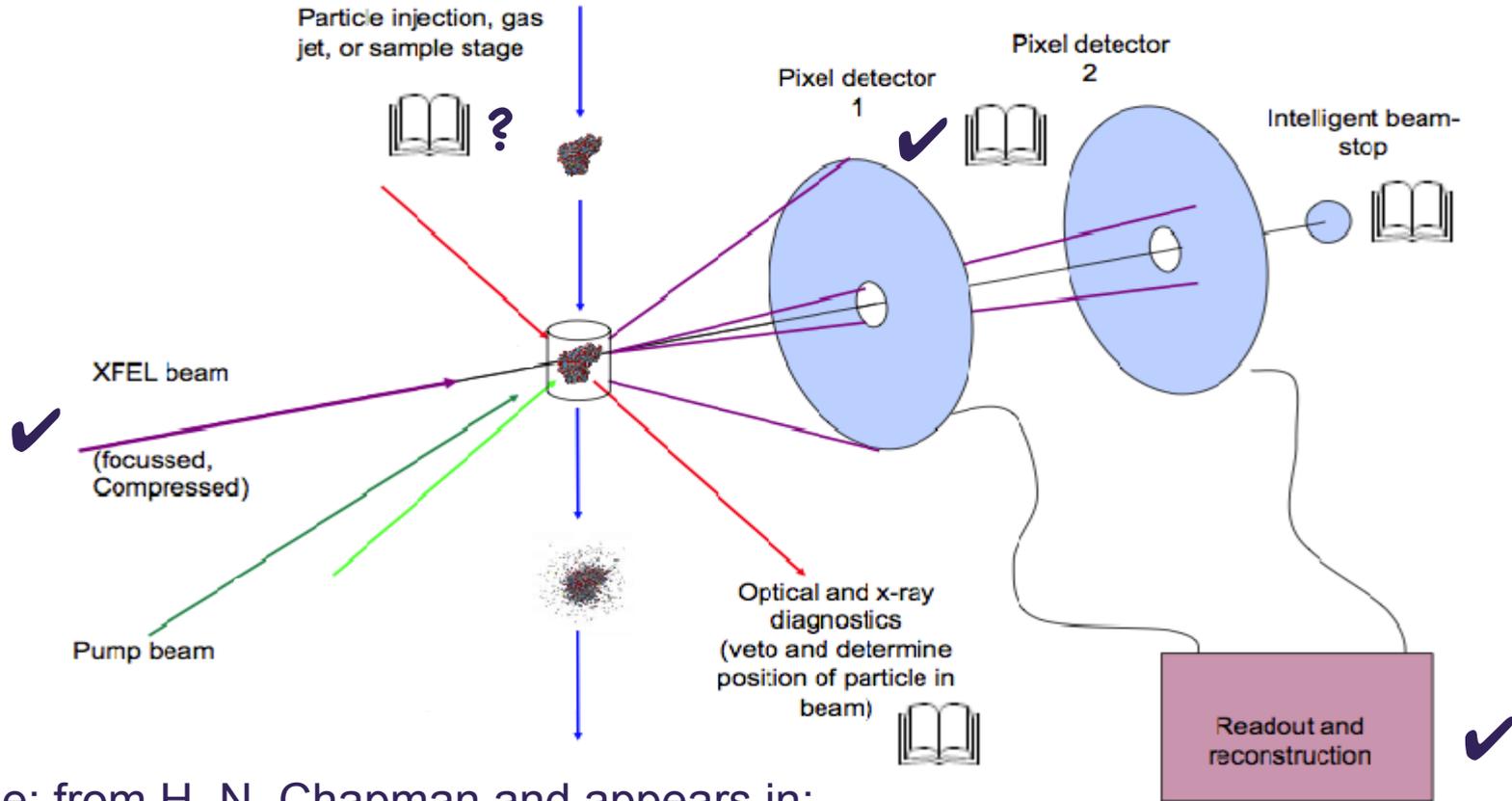
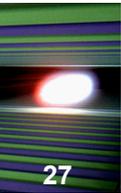
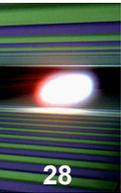


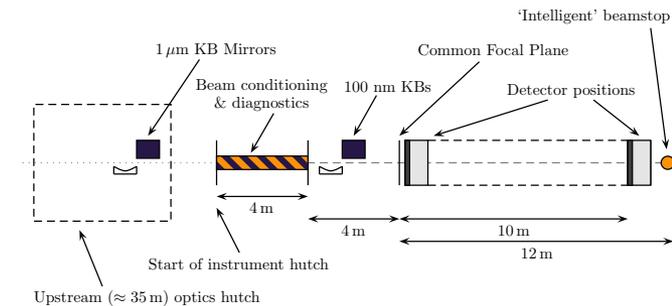
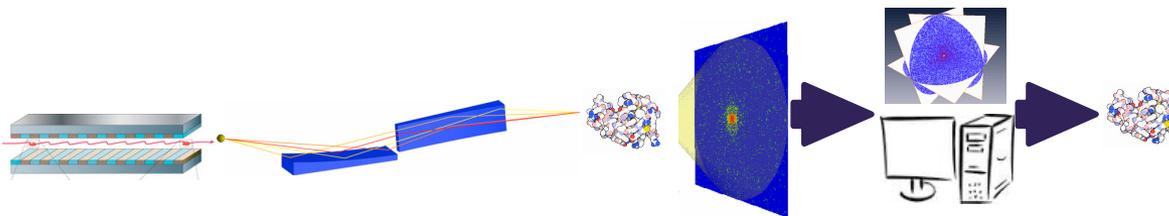
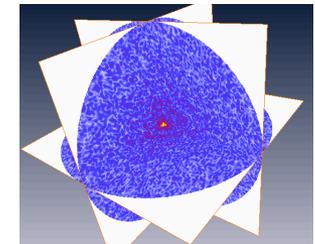
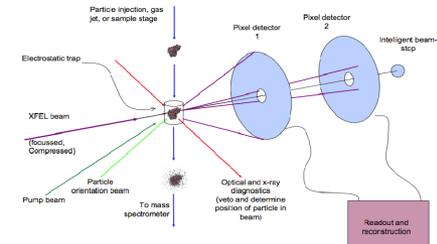
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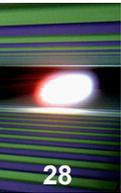
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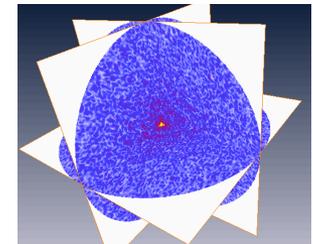
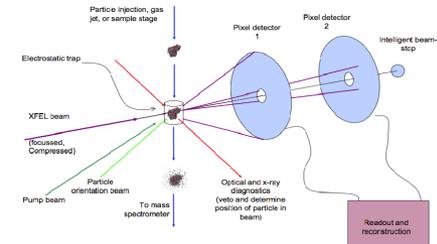
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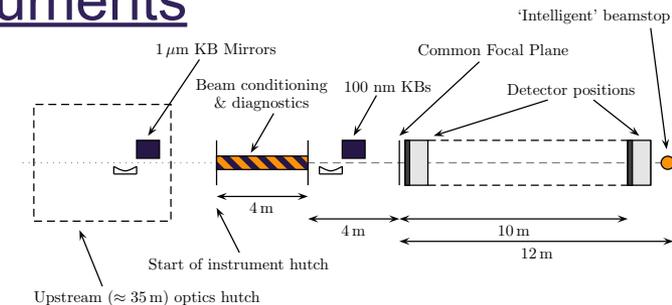
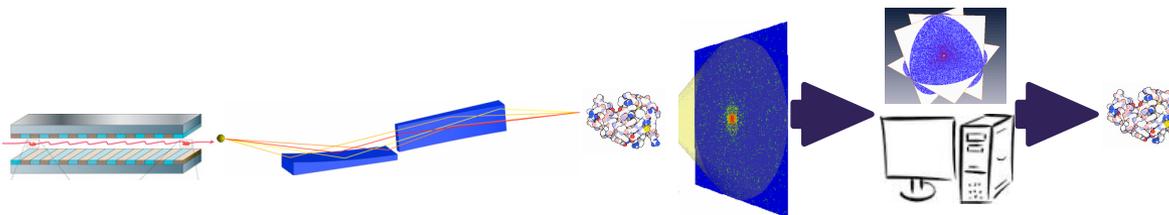
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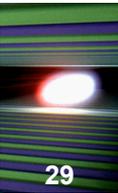


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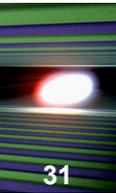
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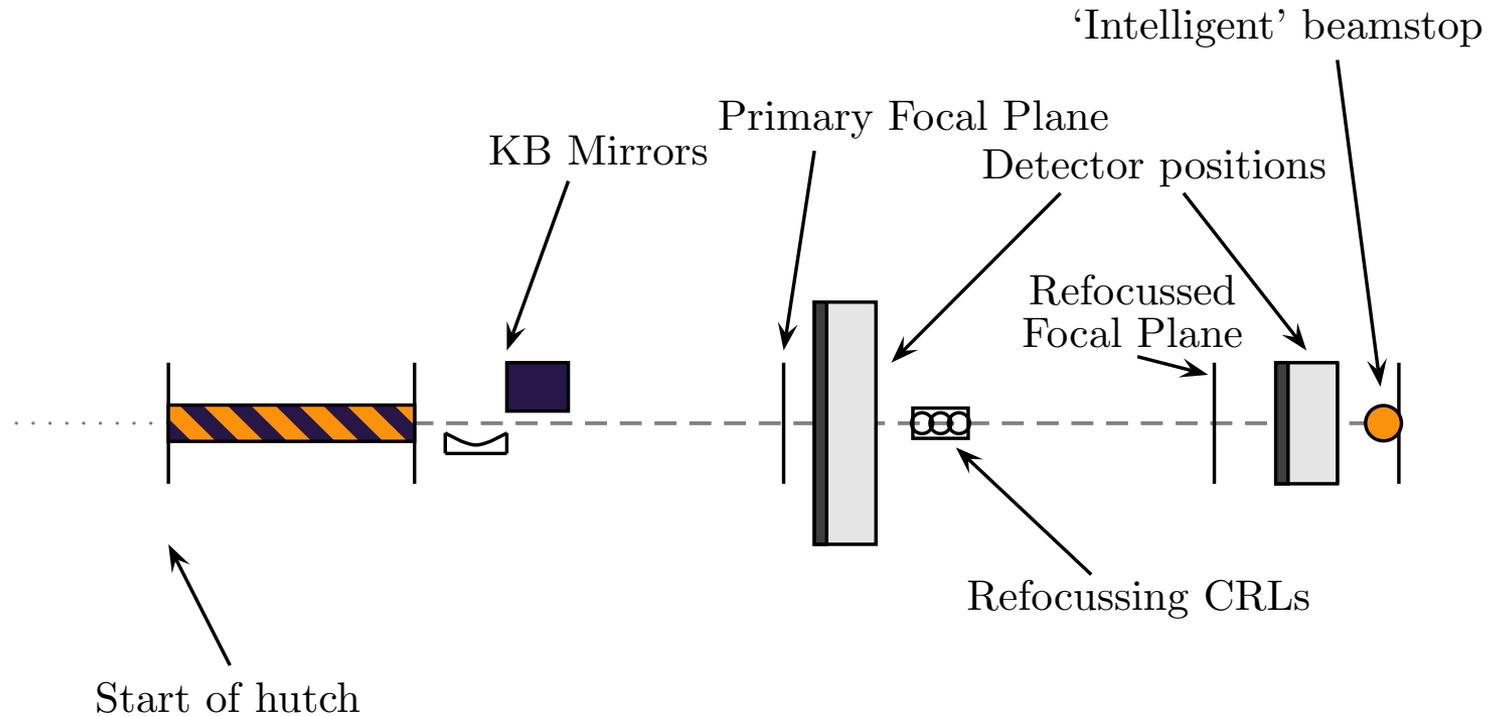
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“Beyond Baseline” Optics Options



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Potentially accommodates SFX UC EoI with minimal changes

Not yet modeled with propagation code

Requires circa 2–4 m longer hutch than baseline