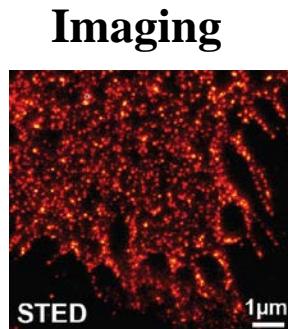
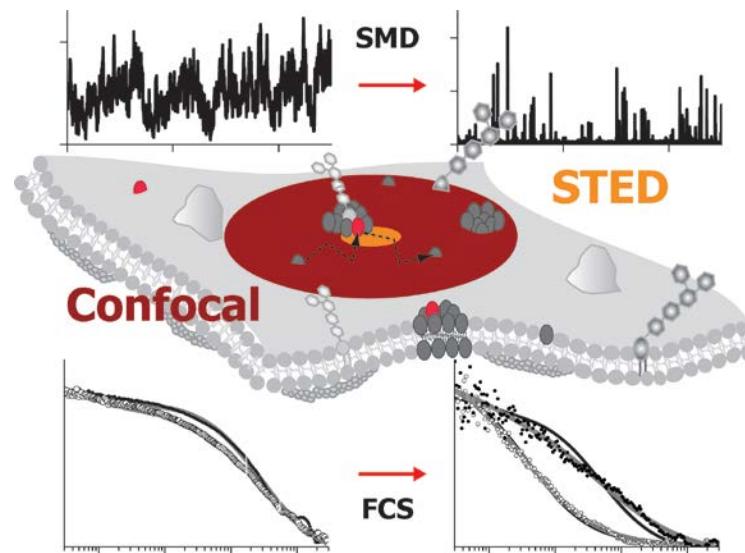
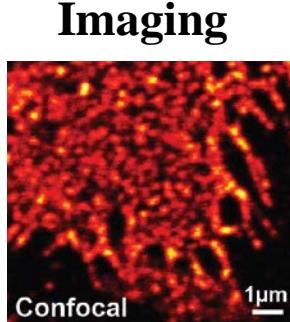


# FCS and STED-FCS



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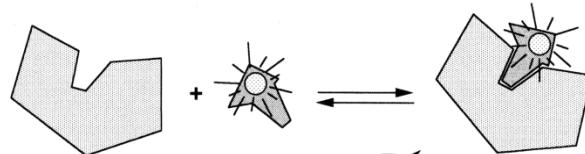
# Molecular Diffusion/Mobility

## Bioactivity

### Example 1

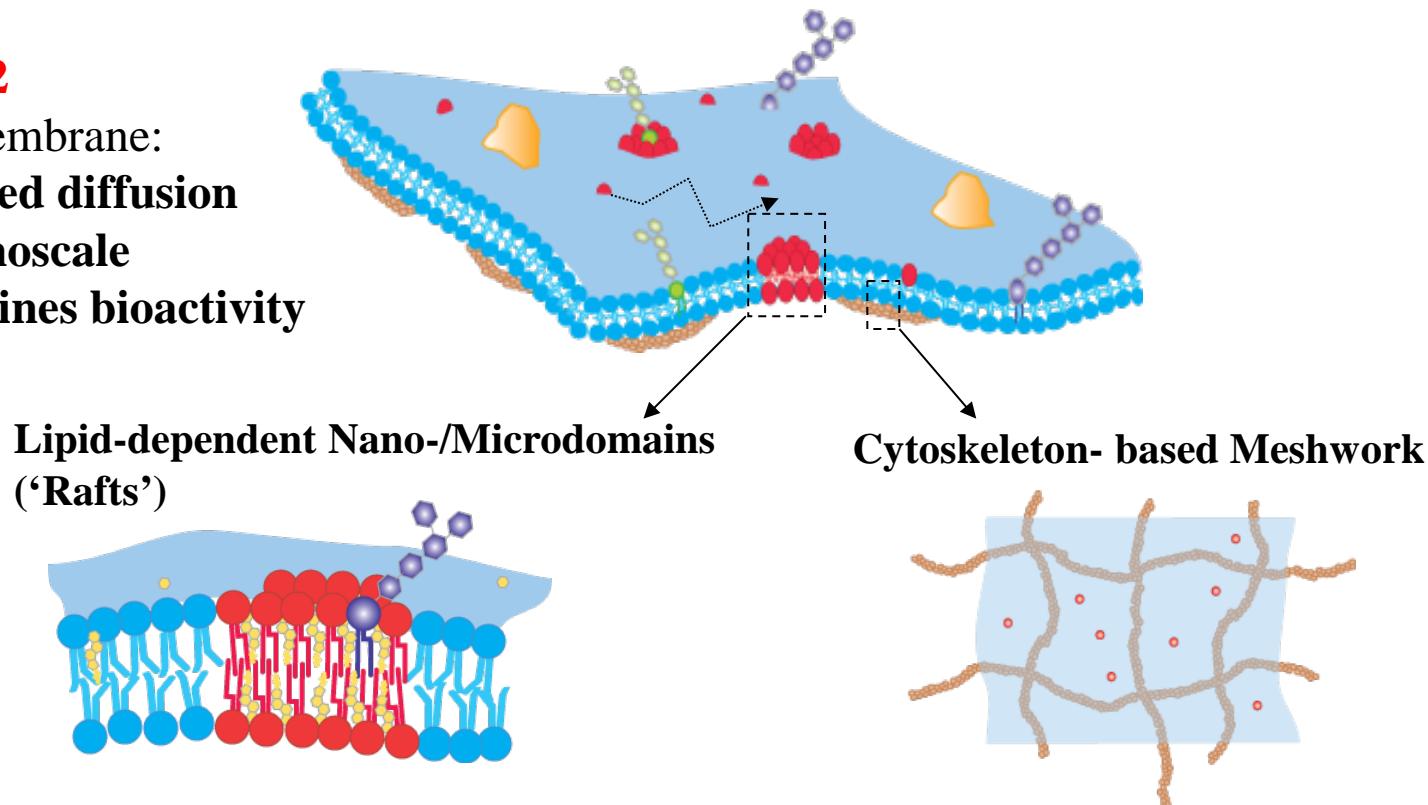
Binding of small peptide to large protein  $\Rightarrow$  increase of mass  $\Rightarrow$  increase of diffusion time  $\tau_D$

$\Rightarrow$  Determination of binding affinity via mobility



### Example 2

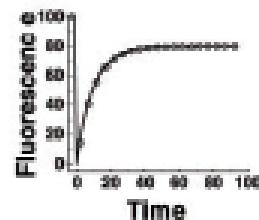
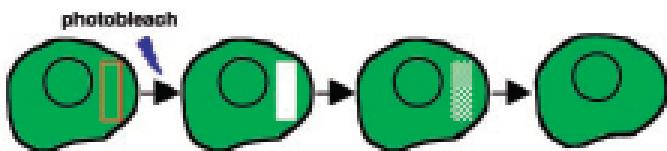
Plasma Membrane:  
**Constrained diffusion**  
on the nanoscale  
 $\Rightarrow$  determines bioactivity



# Molecular Diffusion/Mobility

## Bioactivity

### A Fluorescence Recovery After Photobleaching (FRAP)



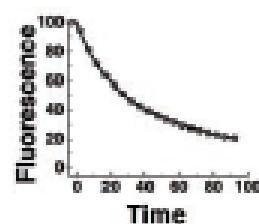
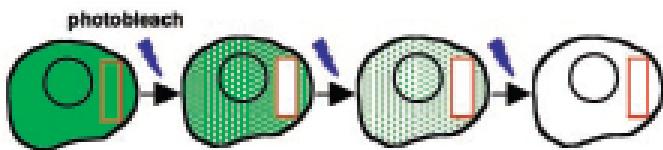
### Measuring Mobility in Cells

#### - FRAP

(Fluorescence Recovery After Photobleaching)

#### - Photoactivation

### B Fluorescence Loss in Photobleaching (FLIP)

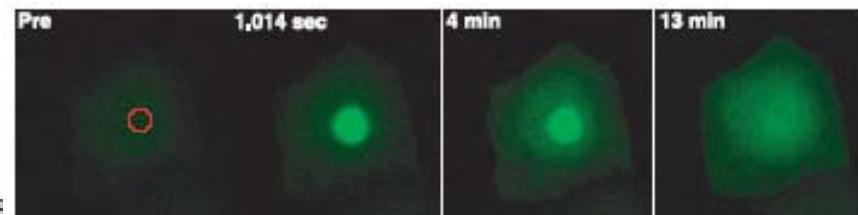
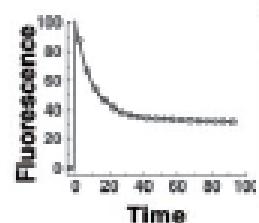
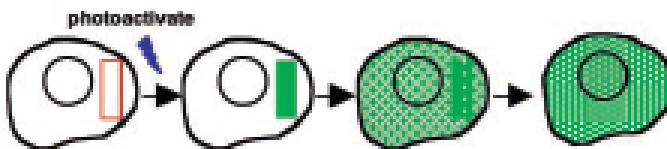


### Problem

- Trigger – disturb system?
- Correlated diffusion



### C Photoactivation



Photoactivatable fluorescent proteins  
(PA-GFP, Kaede, Dronpa, asFP595, ...)

Lippincott-Schwartz, Science 2003

# Molecular Diffusion/Mobility

## *Single-Molecule Detection*

**Aim** observe biochemical reaction in equilibrium

# Why Single-Molecule based experiments?

Monitor thermodynamical fluctuation around equilibrium due to kinetics/diffusion  
⇒ no trigger of experiment

## Analysis on single-molecule level

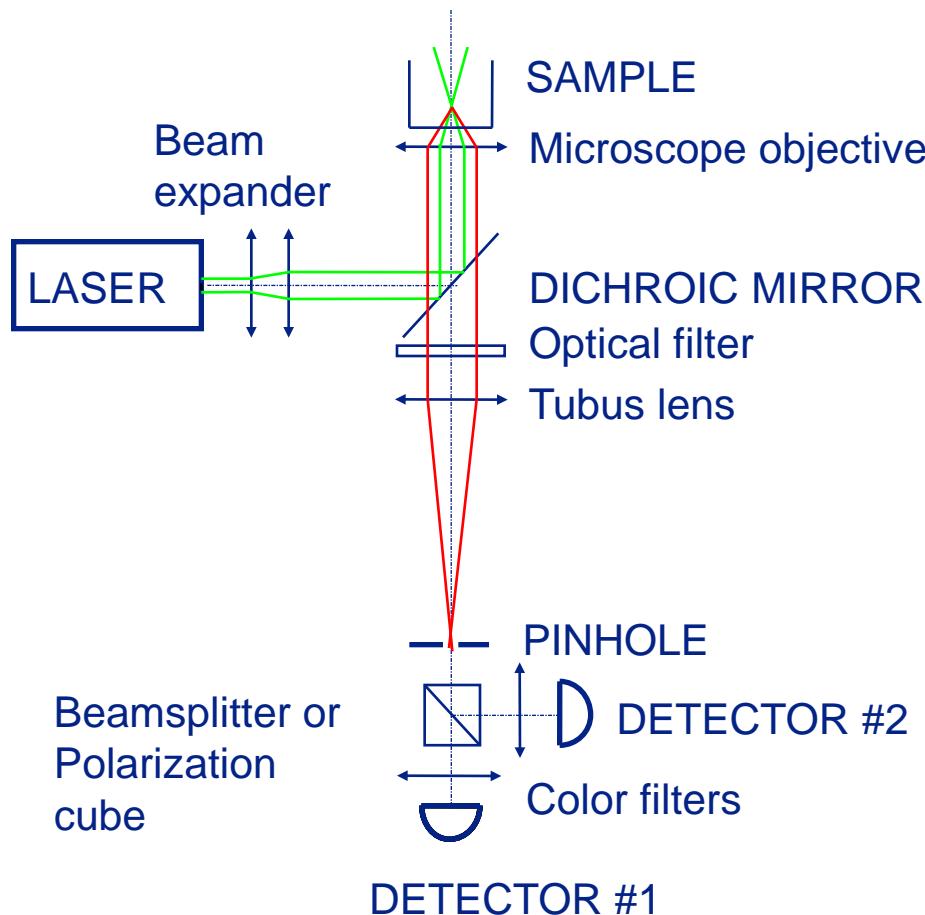
⇒ distinguish / quantify components with different molecular characteristics  
(e.g. weight, brightness)

⇒ detect (small) heterogeneities

# Far-Field Fluorescence Spectroscopy

## *Single-Molecule Detection*

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### Background Reduction

- ⇒ small detection volume (femto-liter)
- ⇒ confocal detection

**Not a problem to detect signal from single molecule**

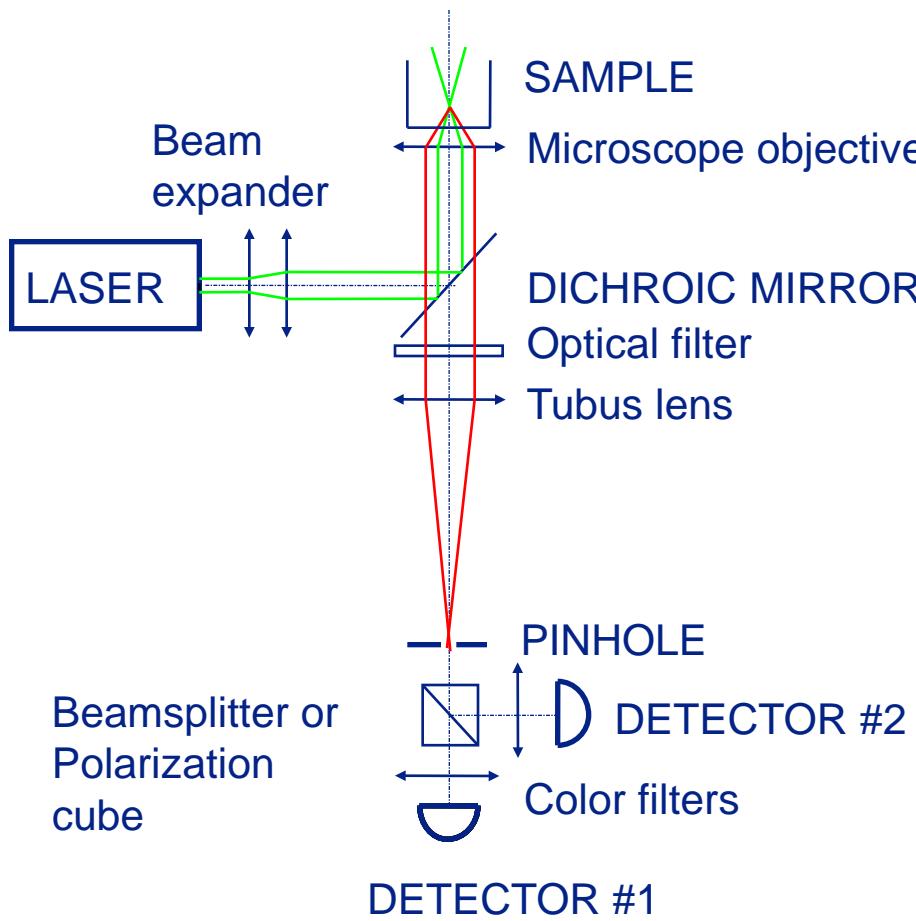
**But: problem to see it in front of background!**

### Enhanced fluorescence detection

- Multi-color (excitation + detection)
- Polarized excitation + detection
- Fluorescence lifetime (pulsed exc. + TCSPC)
- Raw data detection (photon-by-photon)
- Online analysis (correlation, distribution)

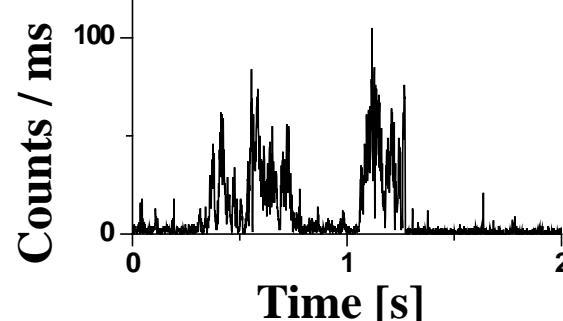
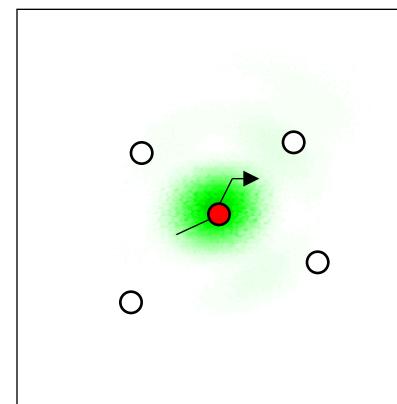
# Far-Field Fluorescence Spectroscopy

## *Single-Molecule Detection*



Fluorescence intensity over time

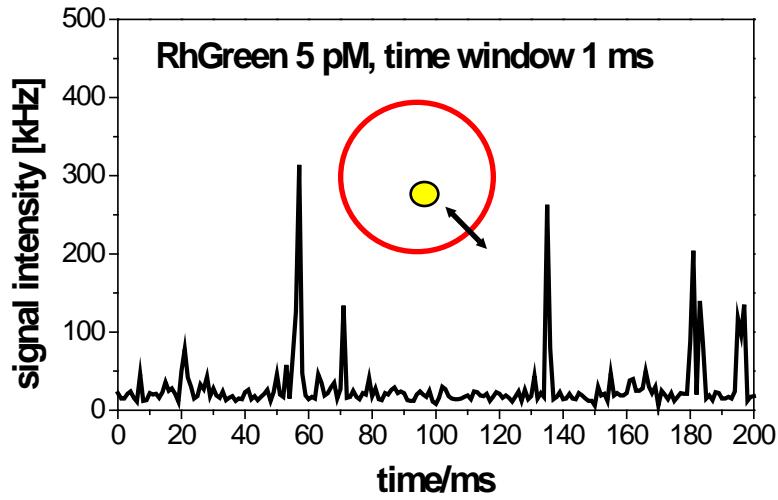
Low fluorescent concentration  
⇒ diffusion of single-molecules  
= fluorescence bursts



# Single-Molecule Detection

## *Signal Fluctuations*

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### Single molecule

- diffusion in/out detection volume
- fluorescence changes due to reaction kinetics

### ⇒ Fluctuations

Only detectable if mean number of observed molecules small (near one)

⇒ **small detection volume** ( $< \mu\text{m}$ )

⇒ **low concentration** (nM)

### Information

**Length** – diffusion time (or reaction kinetic)

**Height** – brightness

**Density** – concentration

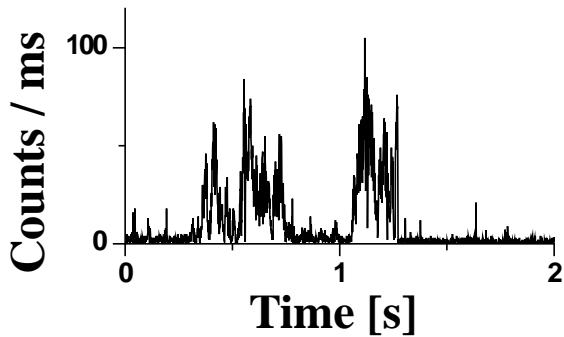
### Analysis

Statistics in **time** – correlation

Statistics in **amplitude** – distribution analysis

# Fluorescence Fluctuation Spectroscopy

## Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy (FCS)



### data analysis

$$G(\tau_c) = 1 + (1/N)[1 - T + T \exp(-\tau_c/t_T)] \times (1 - \tau_c/\tau_{diff})^{-1} \times (1 + (\omega/z)^2 \tau_c/\tau_{diff})^{-1/2}$$

⇒ mean transit time  $\tau_d$  ( $\sim$  mass) of each fluorescent species – diffusion coefficient

⇒ **concentration N** (mean number of particles)  $N = \text{conc} * V_{\text{Det}}$

⇒ **kinetic rate constants**



**Small = fast**

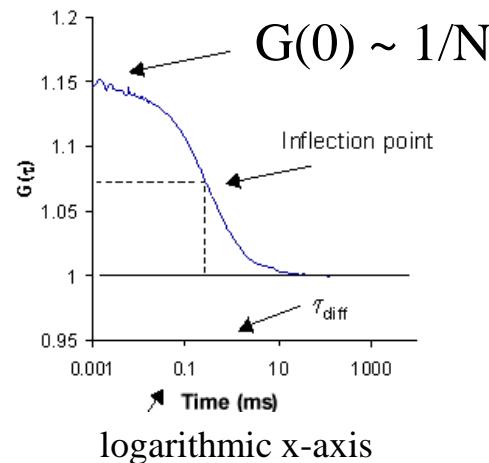


**Big = slow**

**data acquisition**  
calculation of correlation function

$$G(\tau_c) = \frac{\sum_t A(t) \cdot A(t + \tau_c)}{\text{normalize}}$$

### Statistics on Time Axis

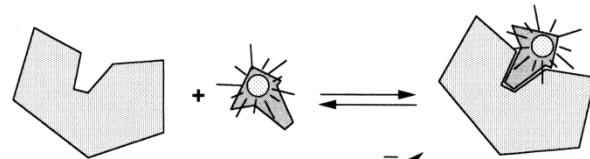


# FCS

## *Application: Mobility Measurement*

### FCS-Example

Binding of small peptide to large protein  $\Rightarrow$  increase of mass  $\Rightarrow$  increase of diffusion time  $\tau_D$



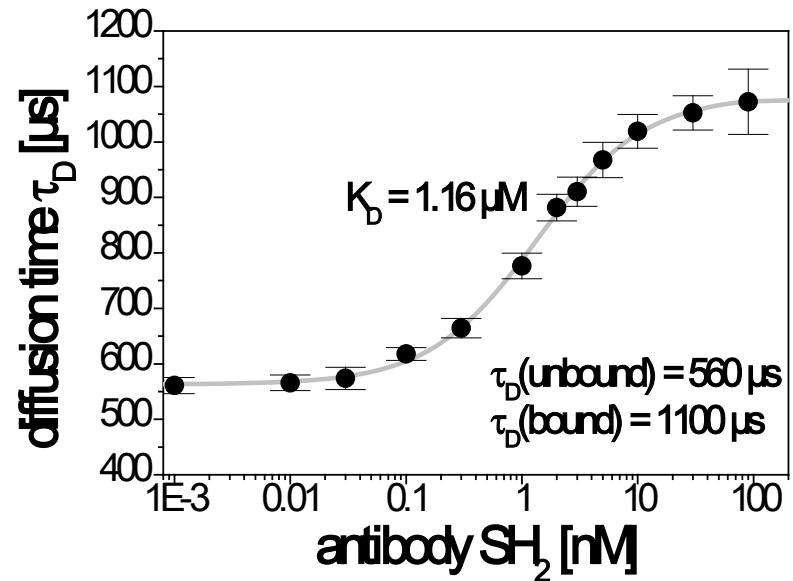
### Measurement

Tyrosine Kinase Growth Factor Receptor Bound Protein [Grb2 SH2]

+ labelled ligand

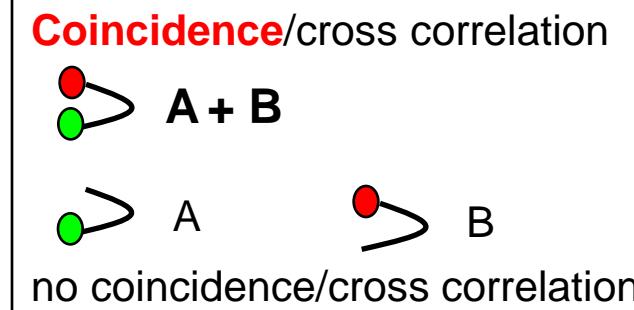
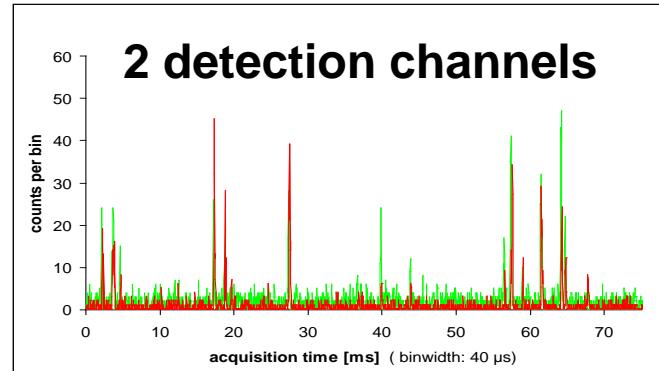
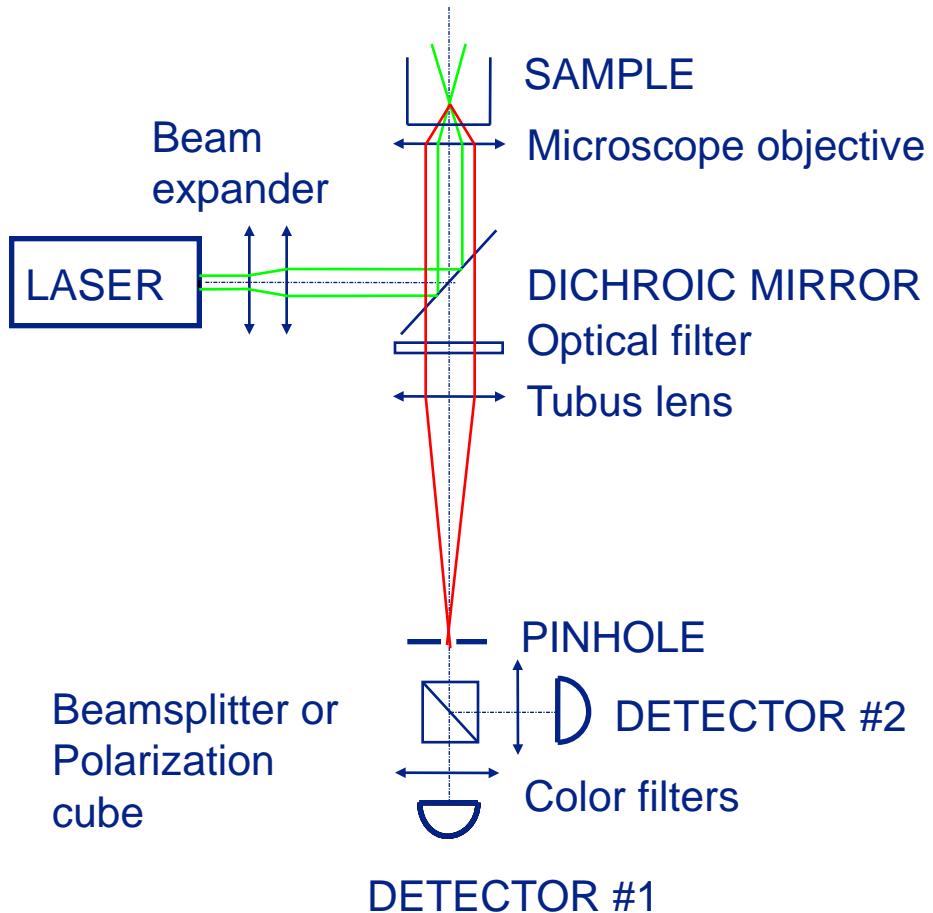
(phosphotyrosine Ac-Y\*VNVK(Cy5)-CO-NH<sub>2</sub>)

Titration of Grb2 SH2 (10 s measurement time)



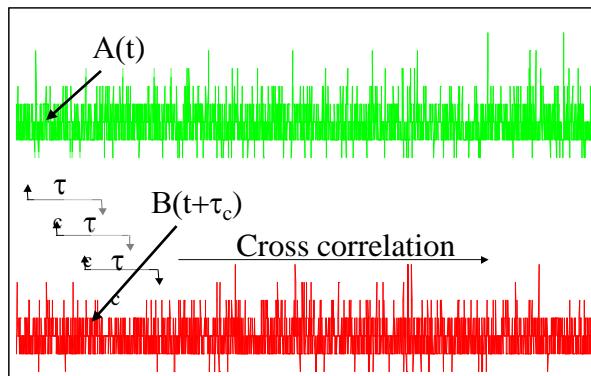
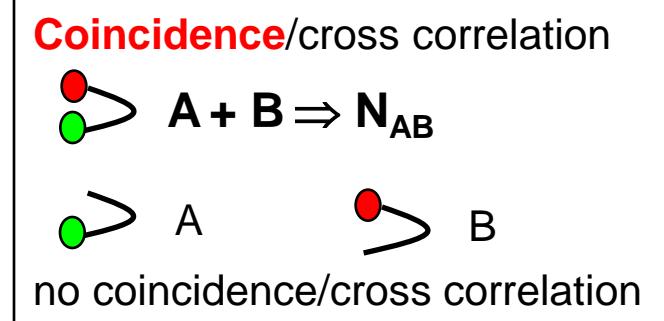
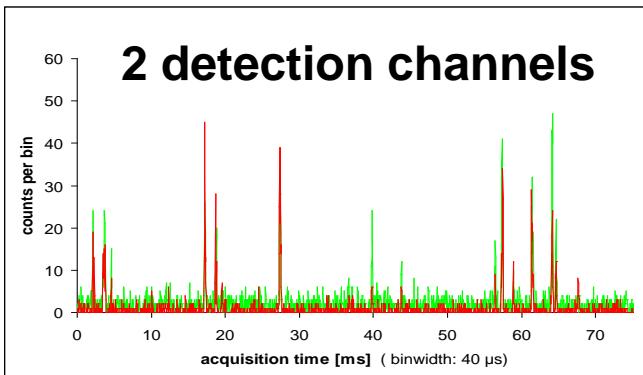
# Fluorescence Fluctuation Spectroscopy

## *Two-Color FFS -FCCS*



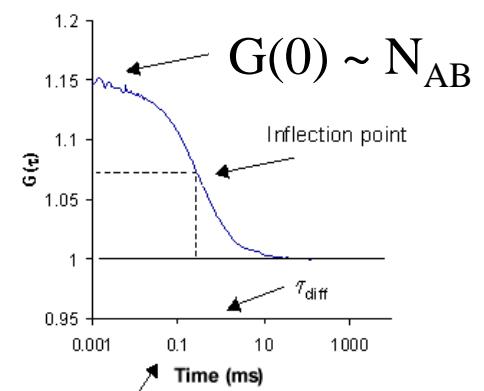
# Fluorescence Fluctuation Spectroscopy

## Two-Color FFS – 2D-FIDA and FCCS



$$G(\tau_c) = \frac{\sum_t A(t) \cdot B(t + \tau_c)}{\text{normalize}}$$

FCCS (cross correlation)

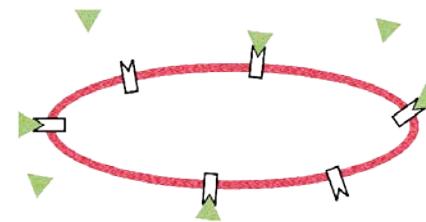


# Fluorescence Fluctuation Spectroscopy

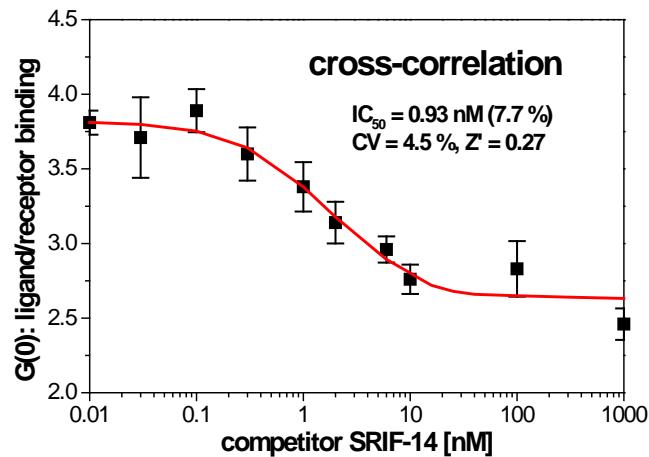
## *Two-Color FFS – 2D-FIDA and FCCS*

### SOMATOSTATIN Receptor (SST2)

- Human Type-2 High Affinity SOMATOSTATIN Receptor (SSTR2) + small fluorescently TAMRA-labelled peptide ligand (Somatostatin-14 , SMS)
- Small Membrane Vesicles from overexpressing CCL39 cells (stained with red dye DiD) carrying SSTR-2 Somatostatin-14 (SRIF-14) as competitor (unlabelled)
- controls:  $q(\text{unbound}) = 12 / 0 \text{ kHz} + 0 / 300 \text{ kHz}$   
 $q(\text{bound}) \approx 800 / 300 \text{ kHz}$
- analysis: 3-components (coincidence)  $\Rightarrow$  fraction bound/coincidence



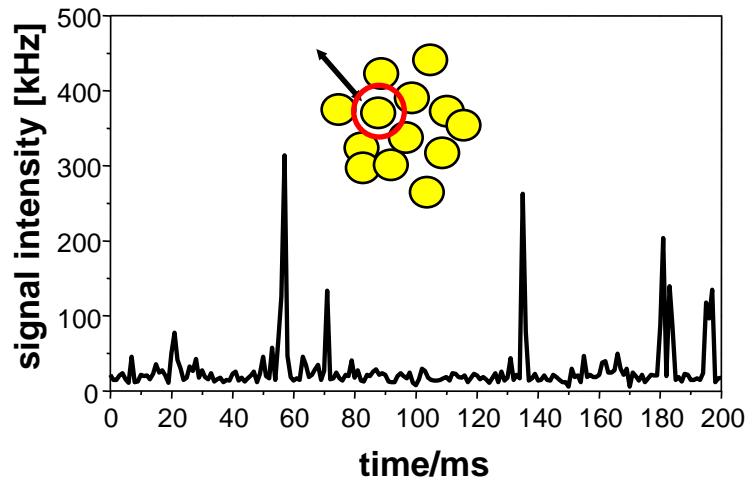
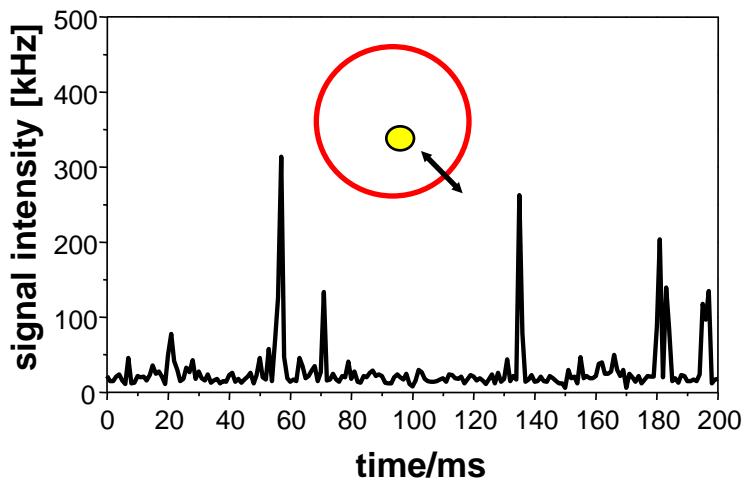
Competition with SRIF-14



# Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy

## *Use of STED Nanoscopy?*

FCS – need for low concentration (< 20 nM)



### Concentration Problem

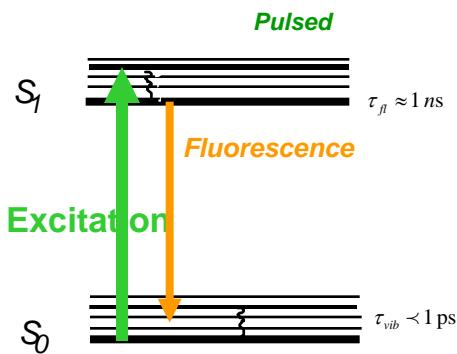
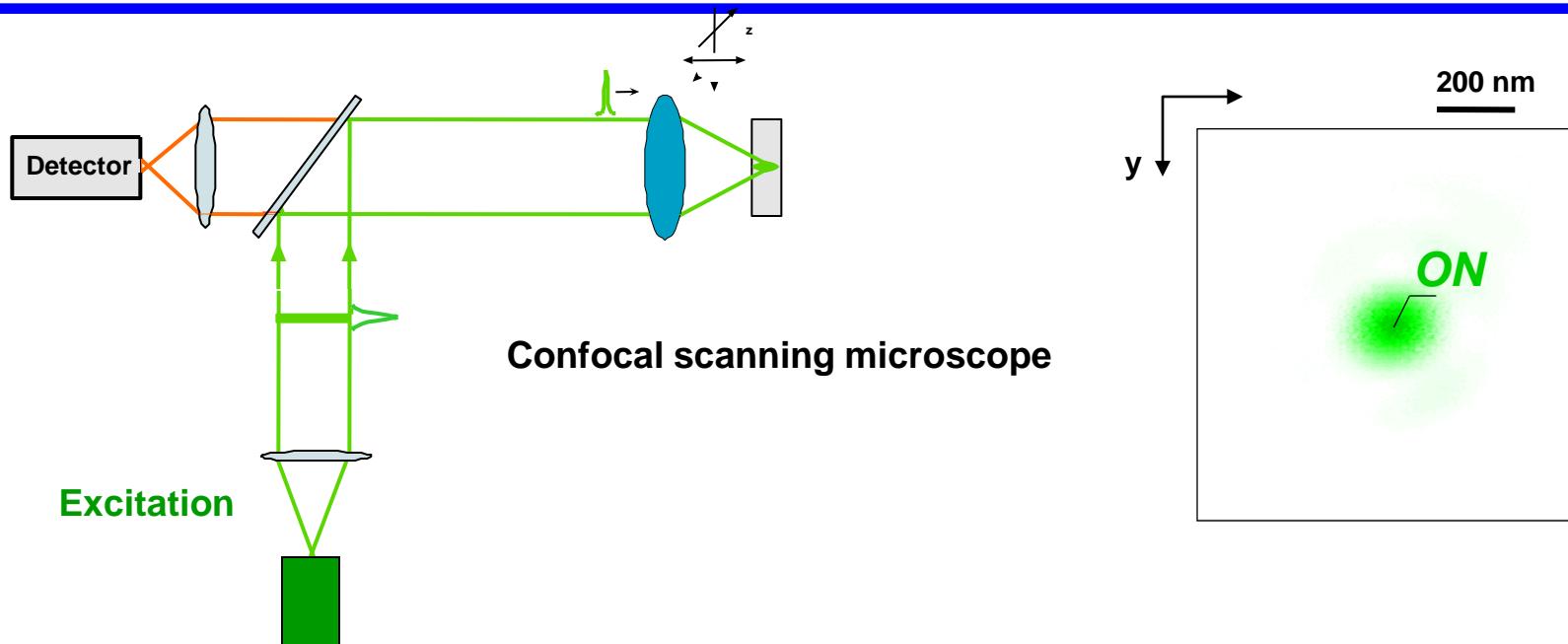
endogenous protein / molecule concentration higher

low affinity binding or enzymatic activity reactions - high concentration ( $\sim 1\mu\text{M}$ )

⇒ smaller/more confined detection volumes:  
measure at higher concentration!

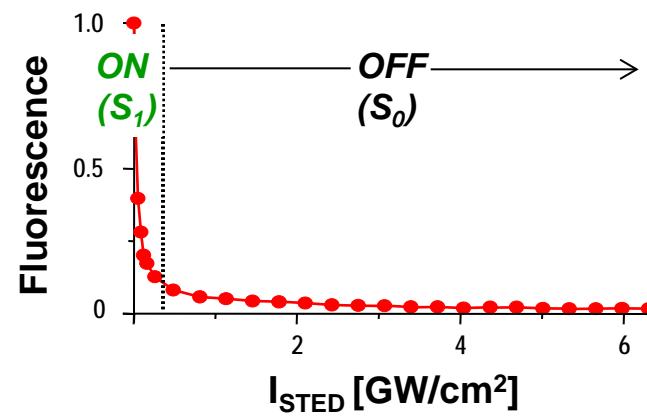
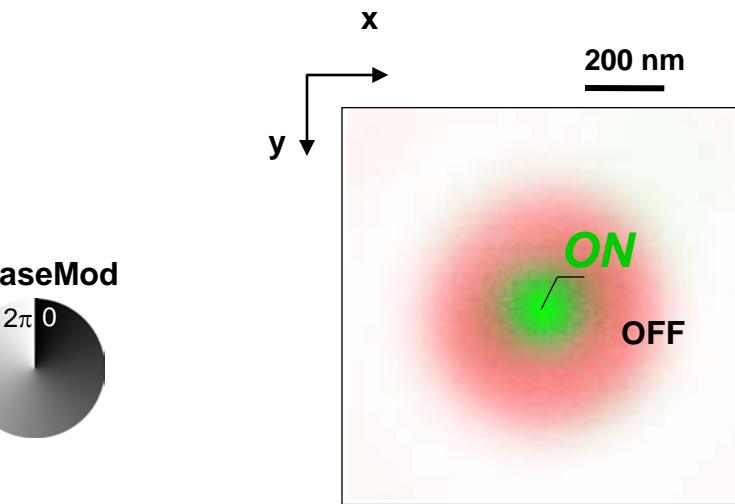
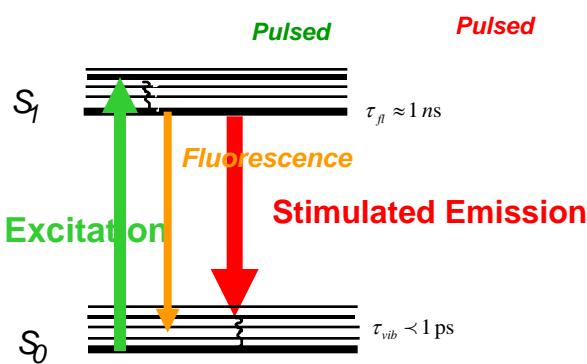
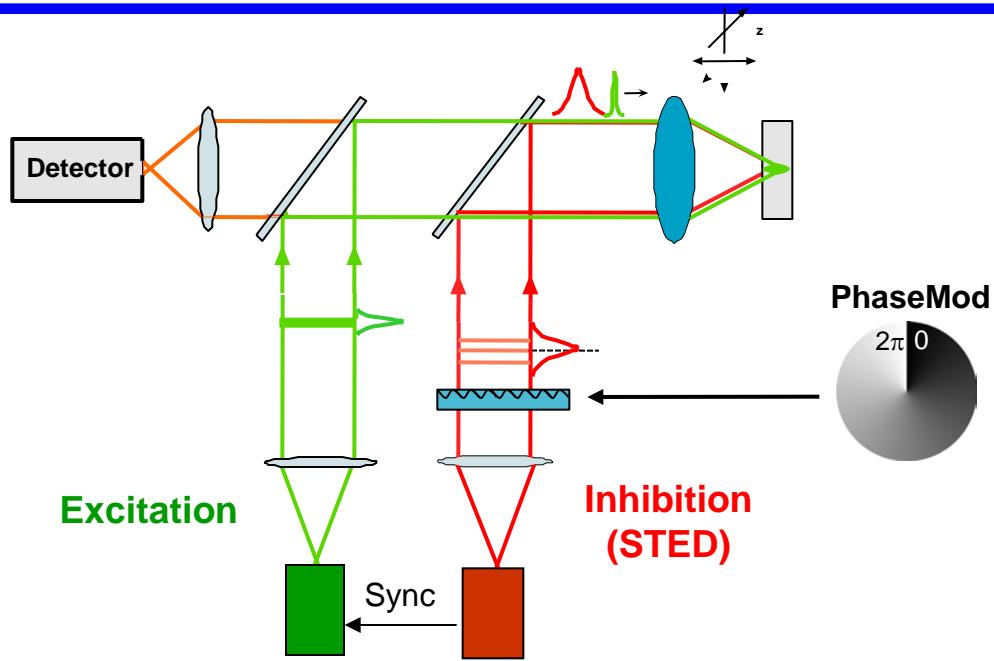
# Fluorescence Microscopy

## *STED Microscopy*



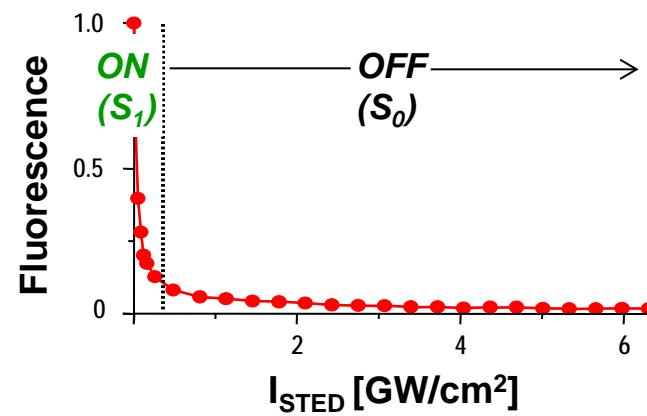
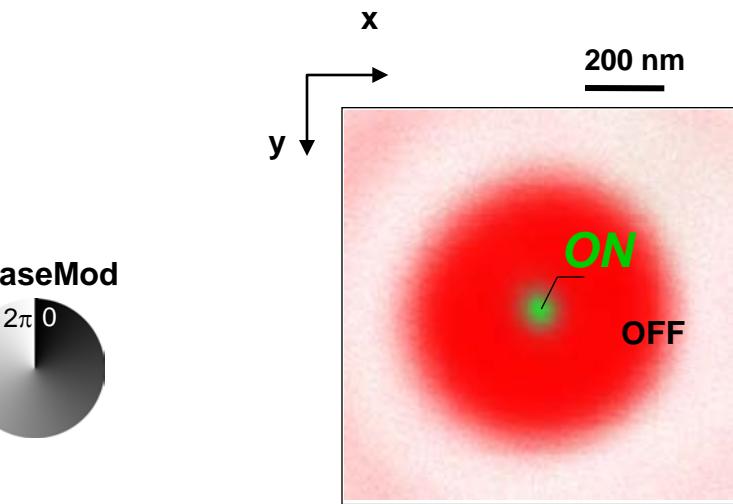
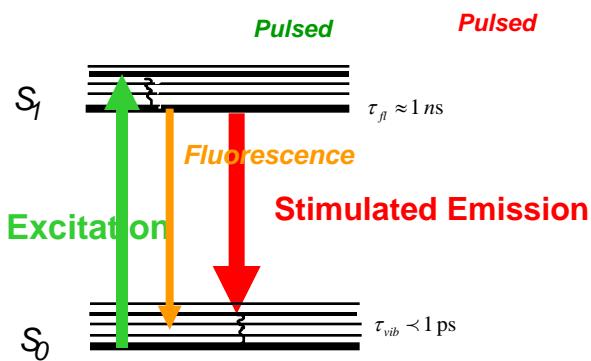
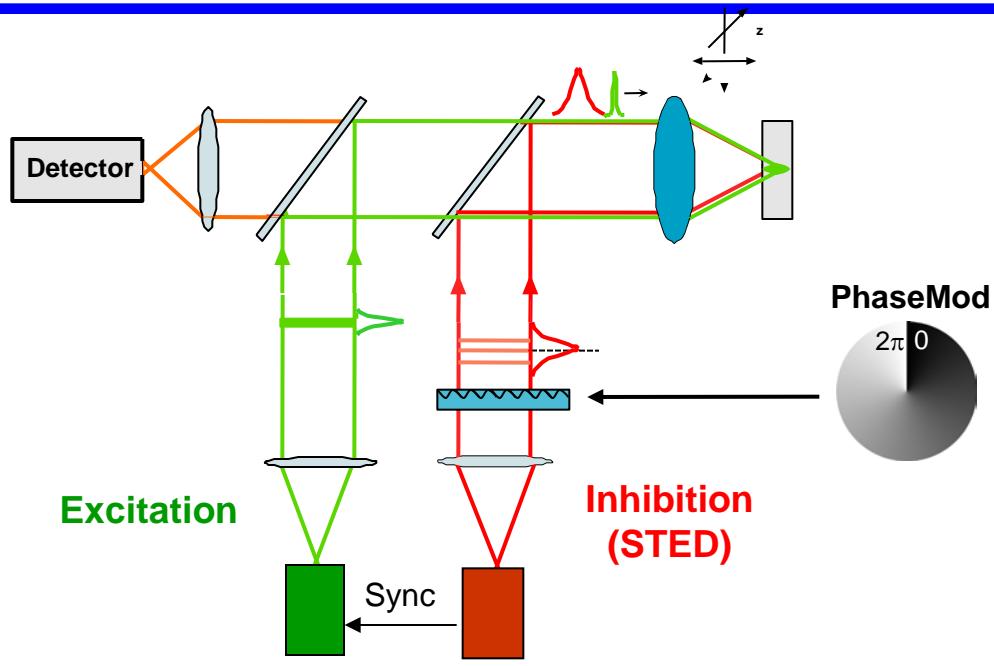
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## *STED Microscopy*



# Fluorescence Microscopy

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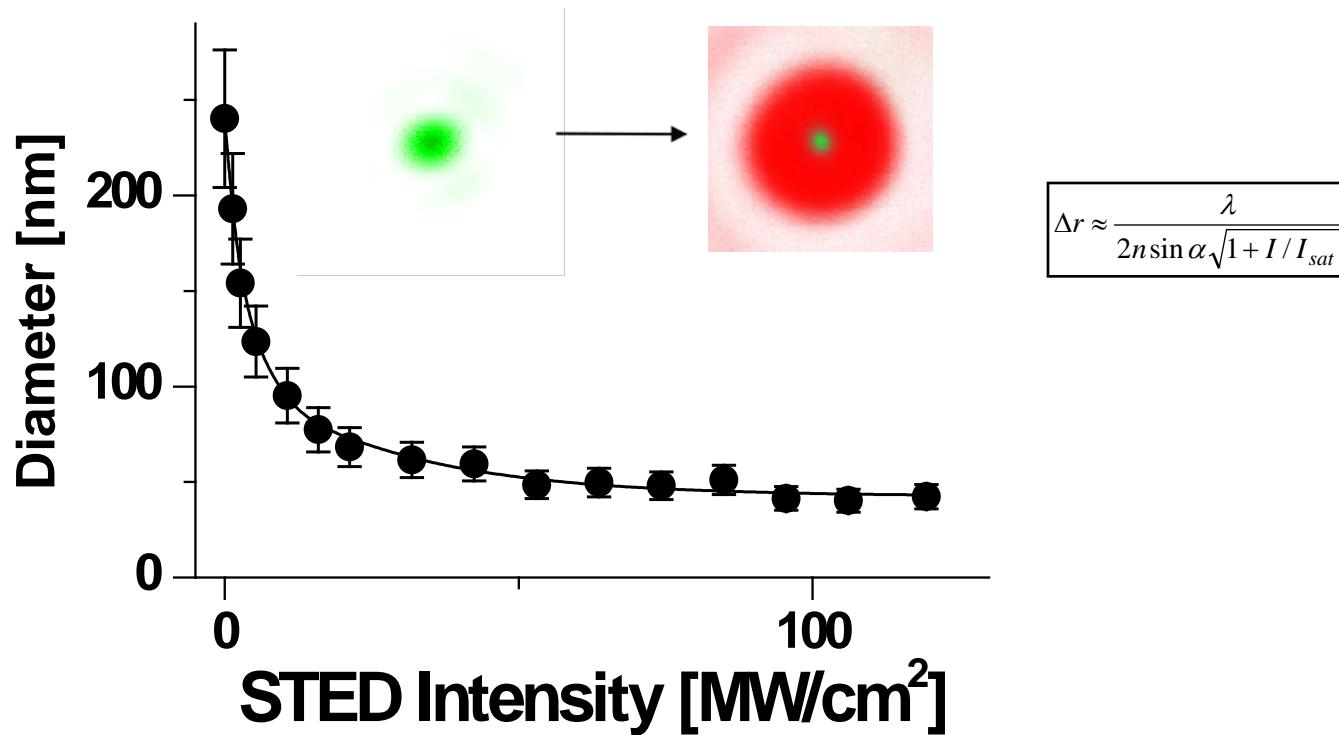


# STED Microscopy

## *Dynamical confinement of resolution*

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Nanoscale observation areas: CONTINUOUS TUNING of spatial resolution!

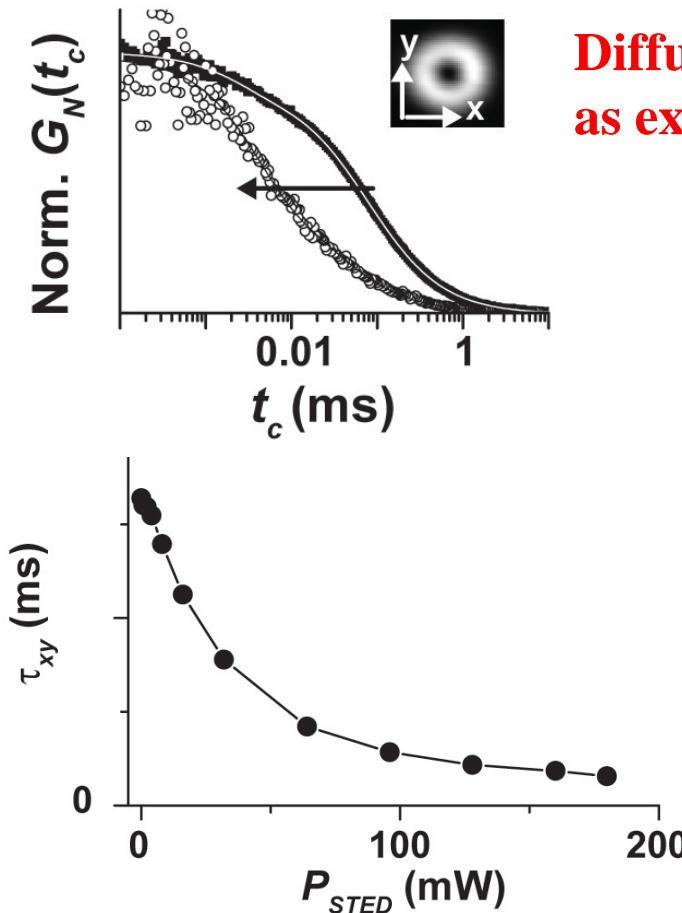


# Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy

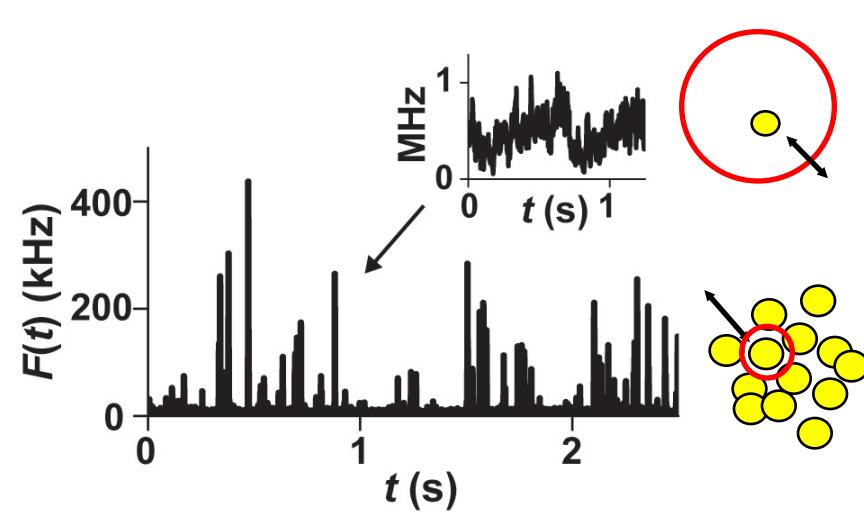
## *STED Nanoscopy: Concentration Issue*

**STED-FCS in open volumes:** Atto647N in aqueous solution

FCS data with increasing STED power, i.e., increasing focal confinement

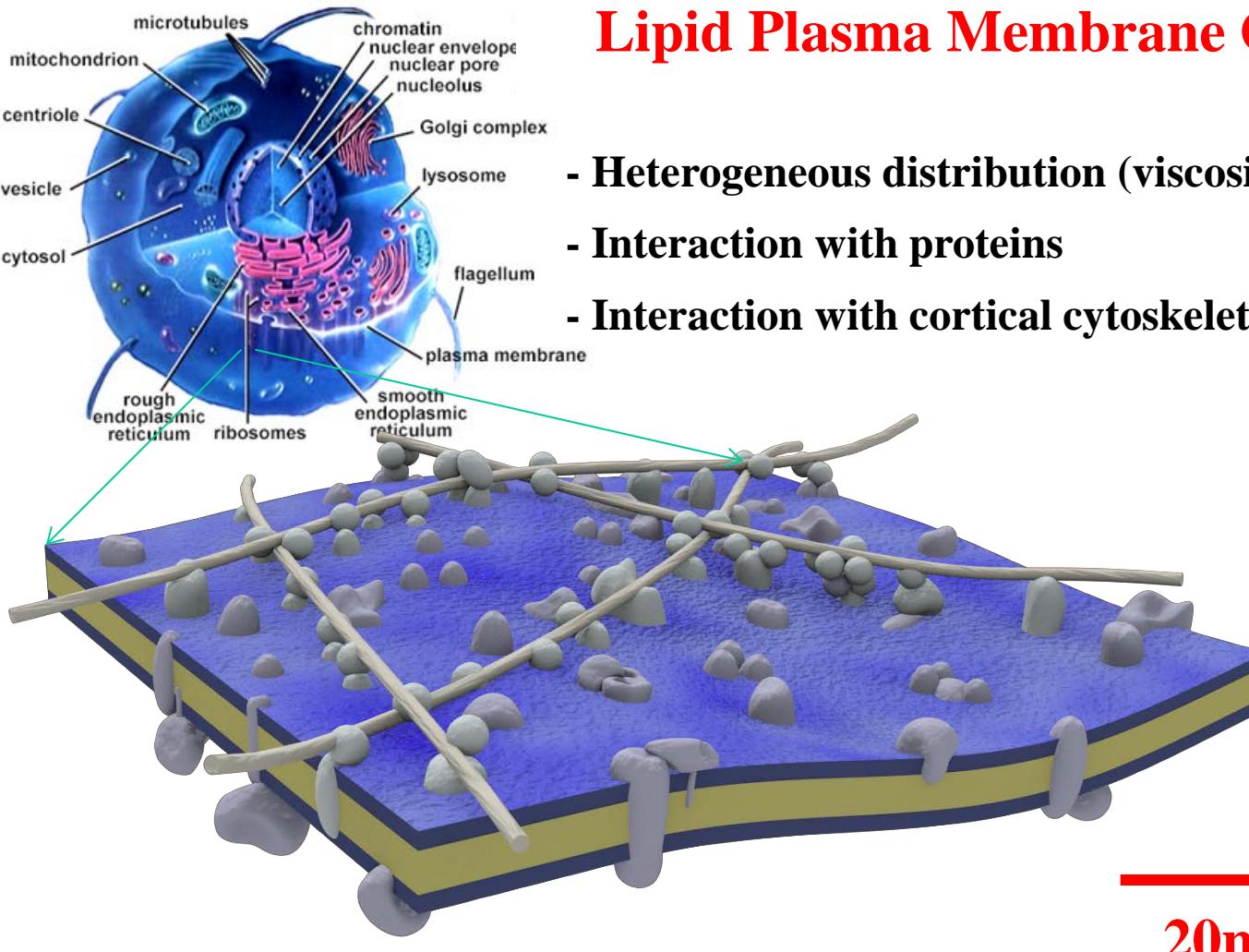


**Diffusion time decreases  
as expected** (10-fold)



# Lipid Plasma Membrane Organization

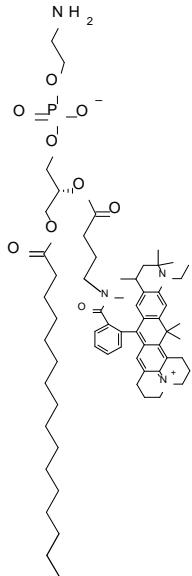
## Nanoscale



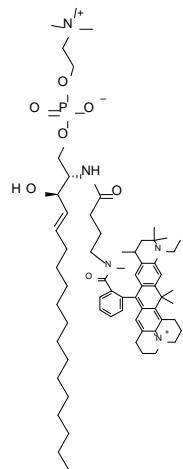
# Lipid Plasma Membrane Organization

## *Fluorescence Recordings: Lipids*

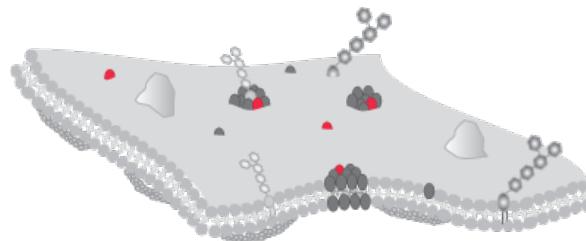
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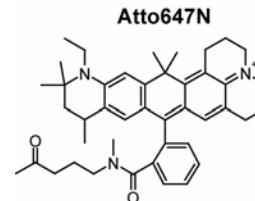
Sphingolipid:  
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Live PtK2 cells:  
physiological conditions  
incorporation in plasma membrane

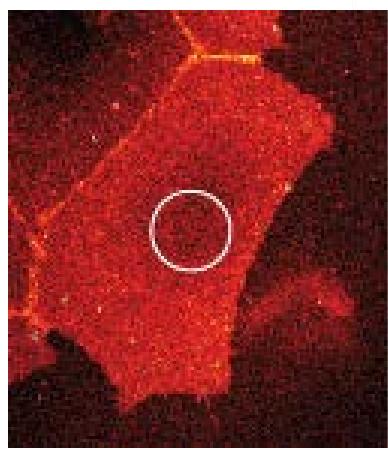
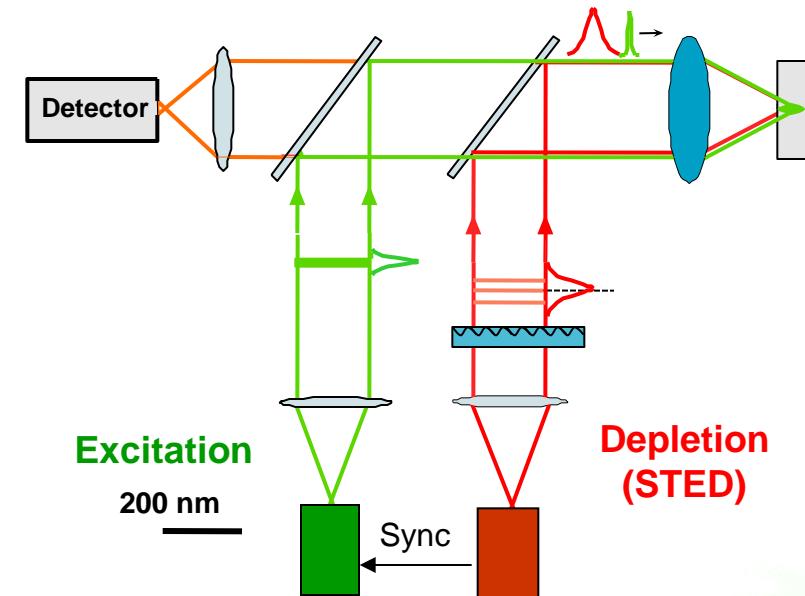
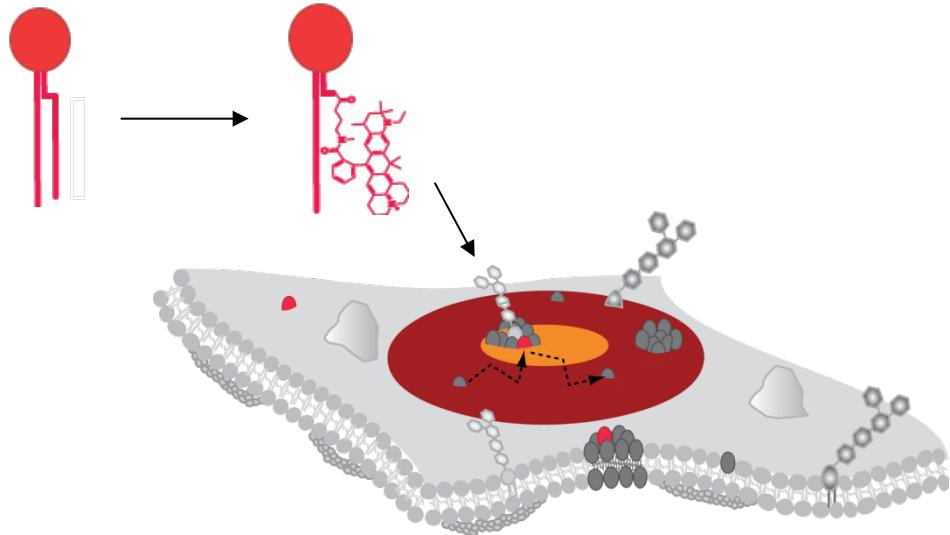


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complex

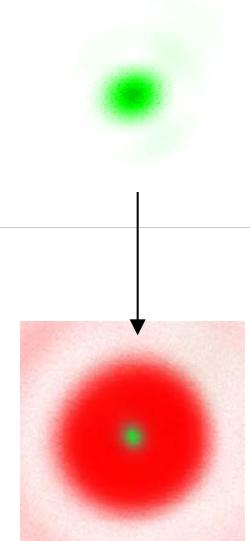


# Lipid Plasma Membrane Organization

## *STED Nanoscopy Measurement*

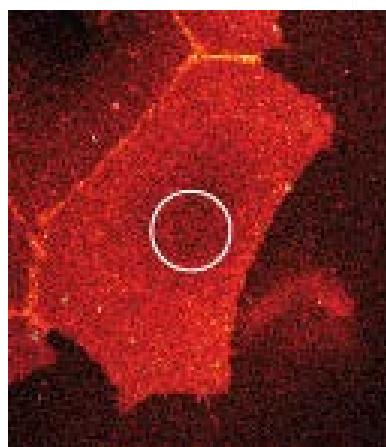
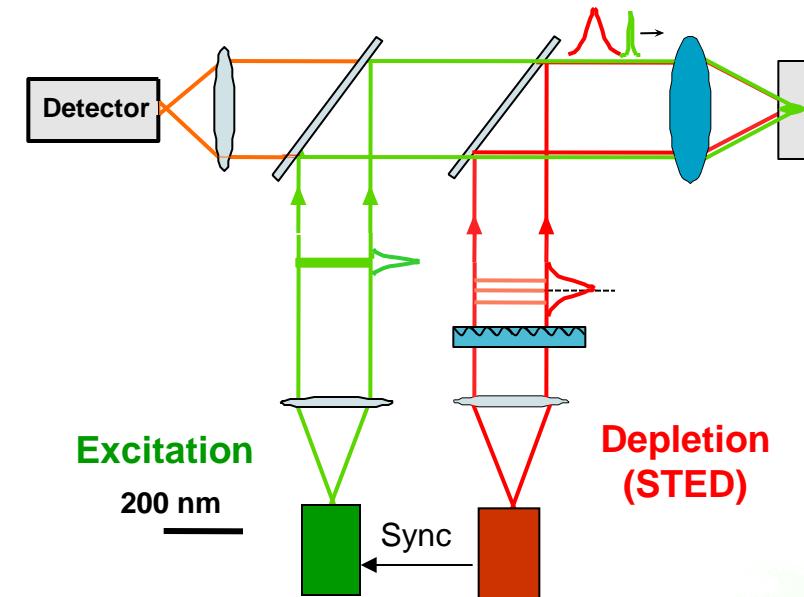
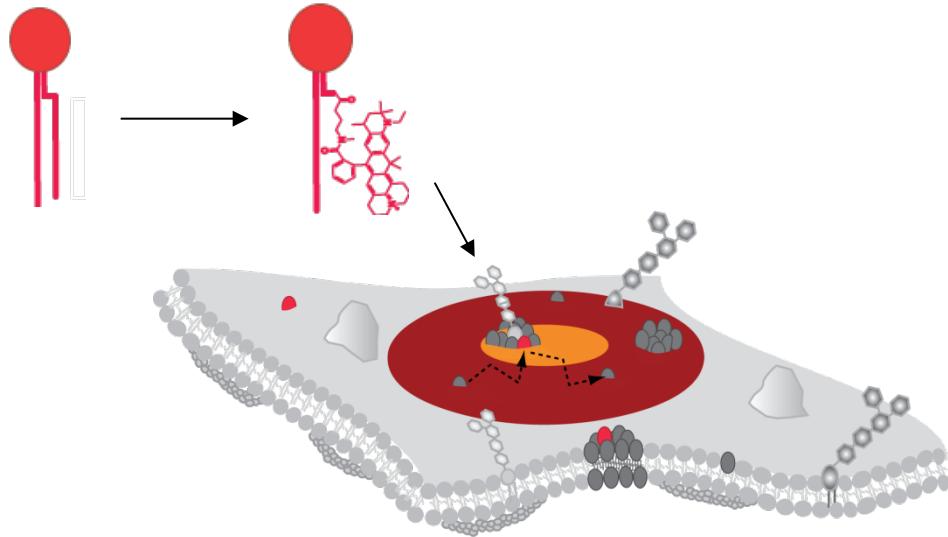


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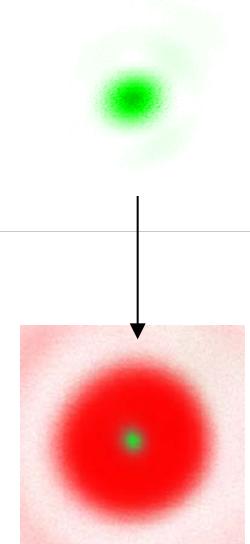
# Lipid Plasma Membrane Organization

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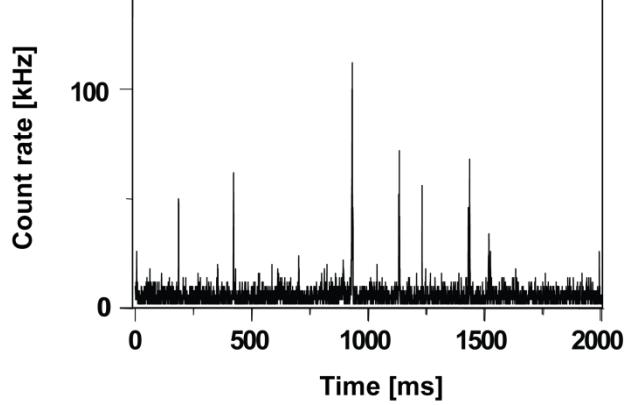
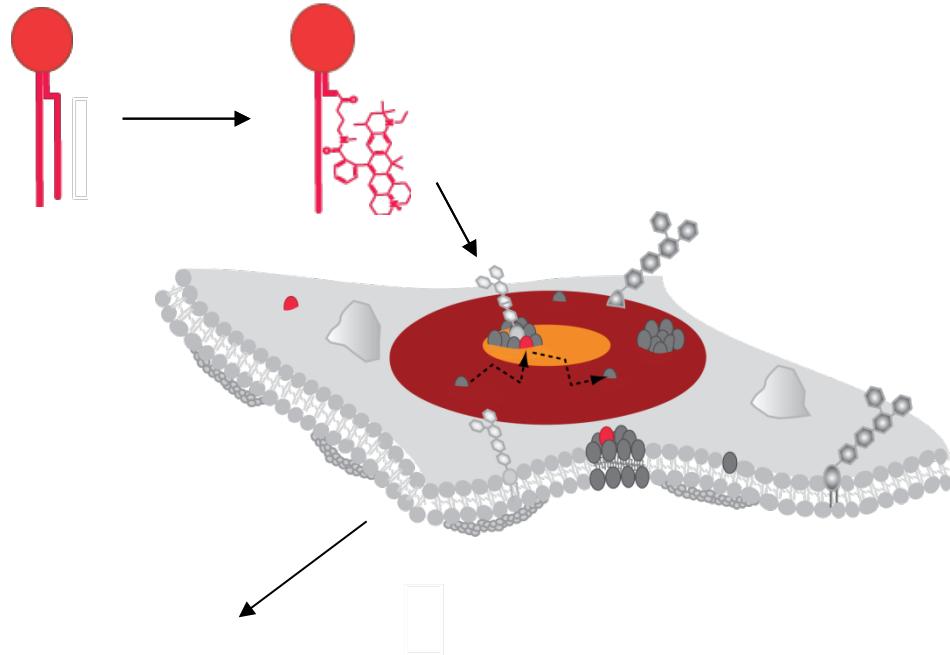
Homogeneous distribution

Fast diffusion → Limited temporal resolution!

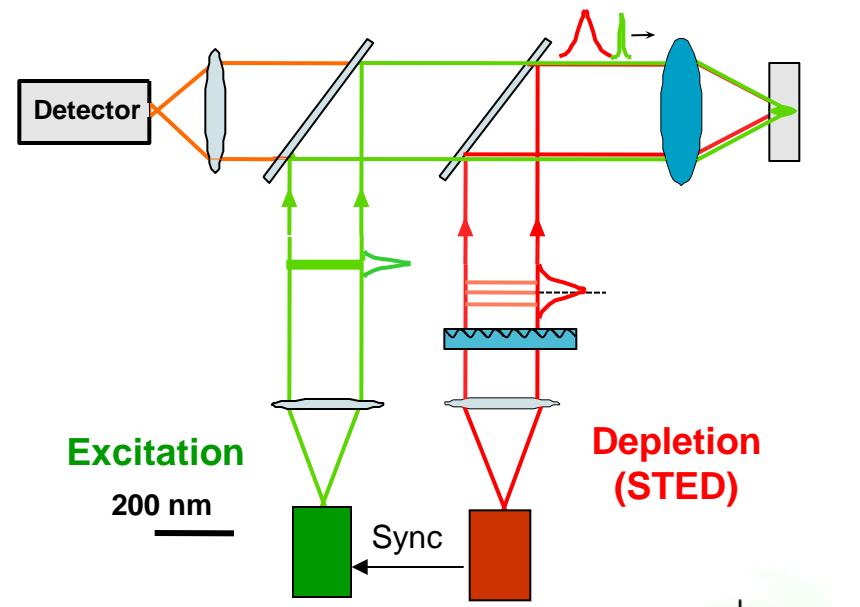


# Lipid Plasma Membrane Dynamics

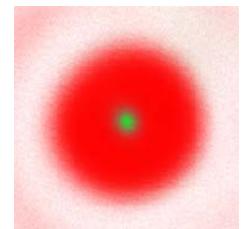
## *STED Nanoscopy Measurement*



Discover diffusion dynamics!!!

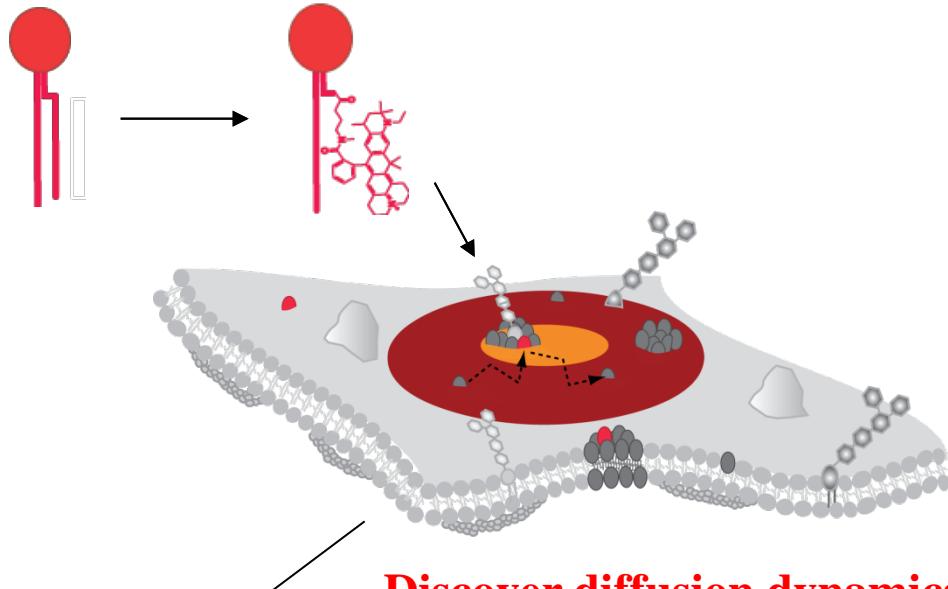


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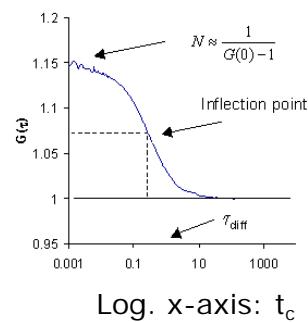
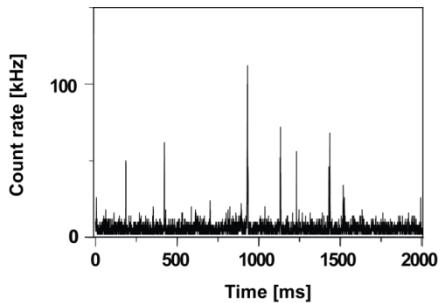


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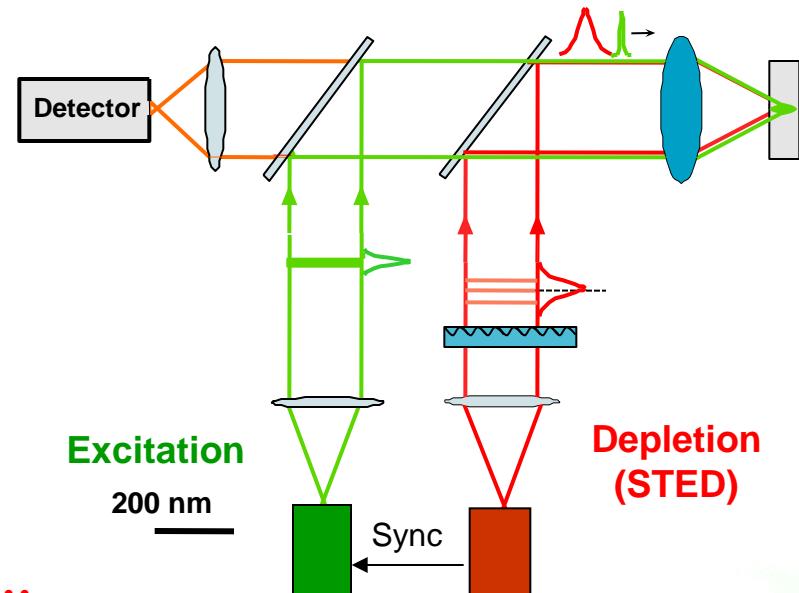
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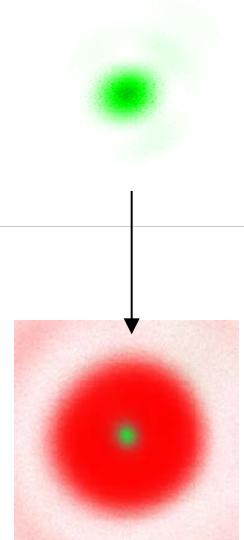
**Discover diffusion dynamics!!!**  
Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy (FCS)



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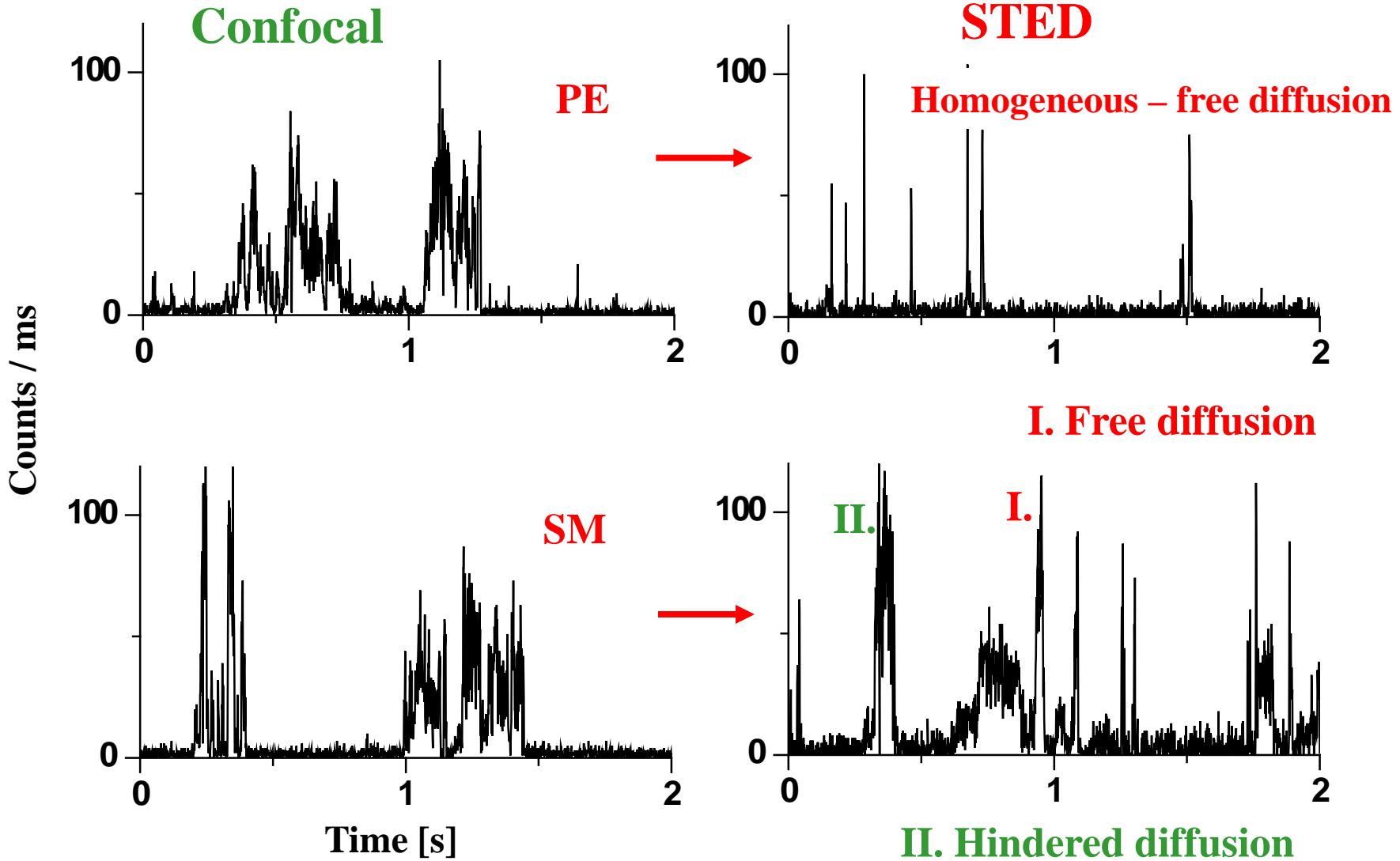


**molecular diffusion coefficient**  
=  
**molecular mobility**



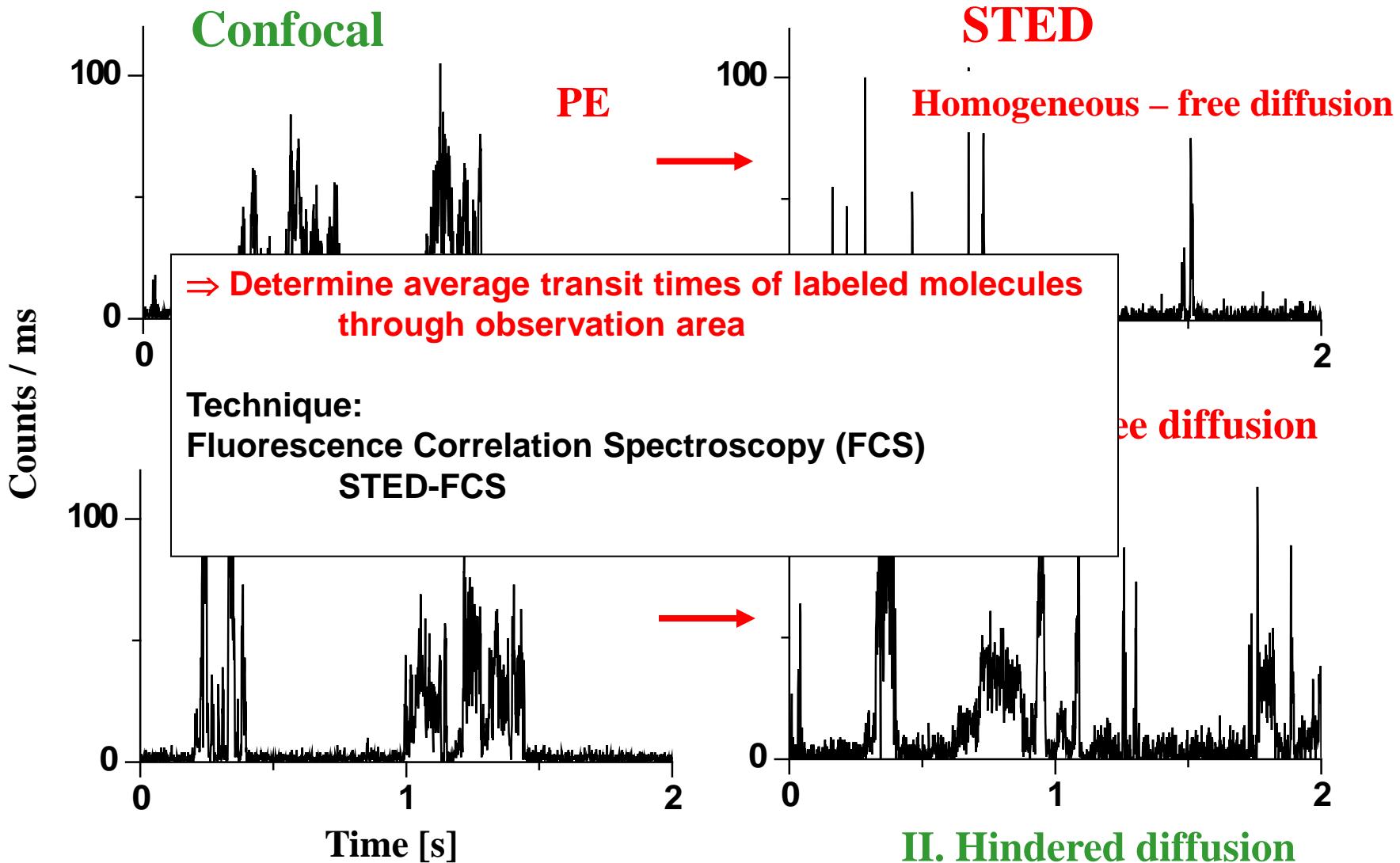
# STED Live Cell Spectroscopy

## *Single Lipid Dynamics*



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## *Single Lipid Dynamics*

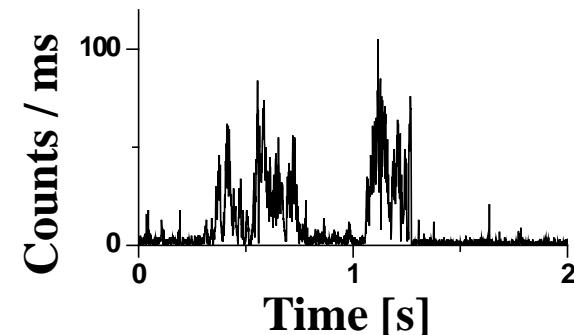
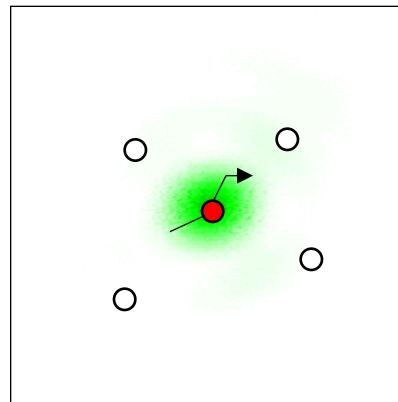


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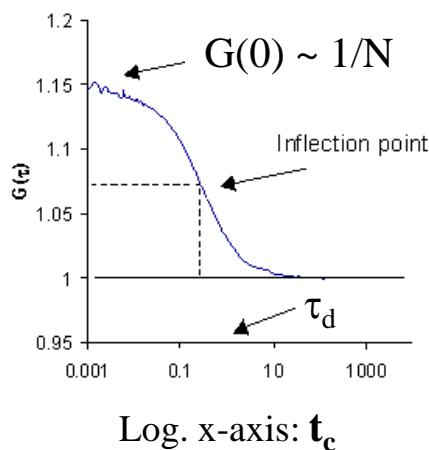
## FCS

Fluorescence intensity over time

Low fluorescent concentration  
⇒ diffusion of single-molecules  
= fluorescence bursts



Statistics in Time



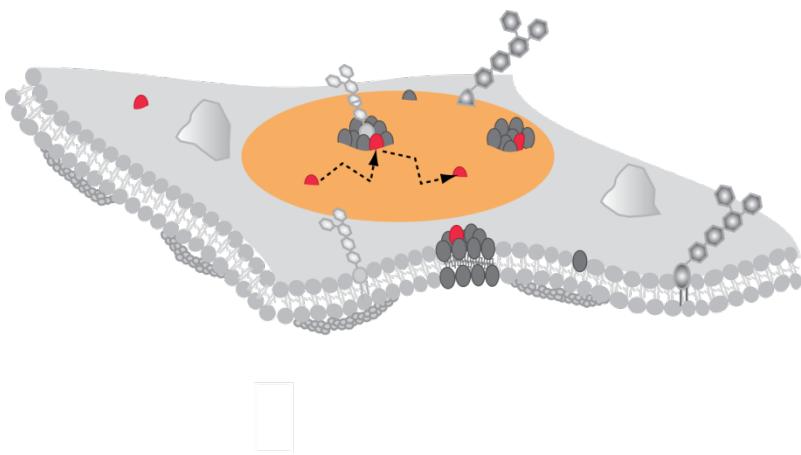
Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy (FCS)  
data acquisition - calculation of correlation function  
data analysis – length and density of fluctuations

Fitting: anomalous sub-diffusion:  $G(t_c) \sim 1/(1 + (t_c/\tau_d)^\alpha)$   
⇒ transit time  $\tau_d$  (~ mass, obs. area) = decay time  
 $\sim d^2 / D$   
⇒ anomaly  $1/\alpha$ :  
 $(1/\alpha) = 1$ : normal free diffusion  
 $(1/\alpha) > 1$ : anomalous diffusion (e.g. trapping)

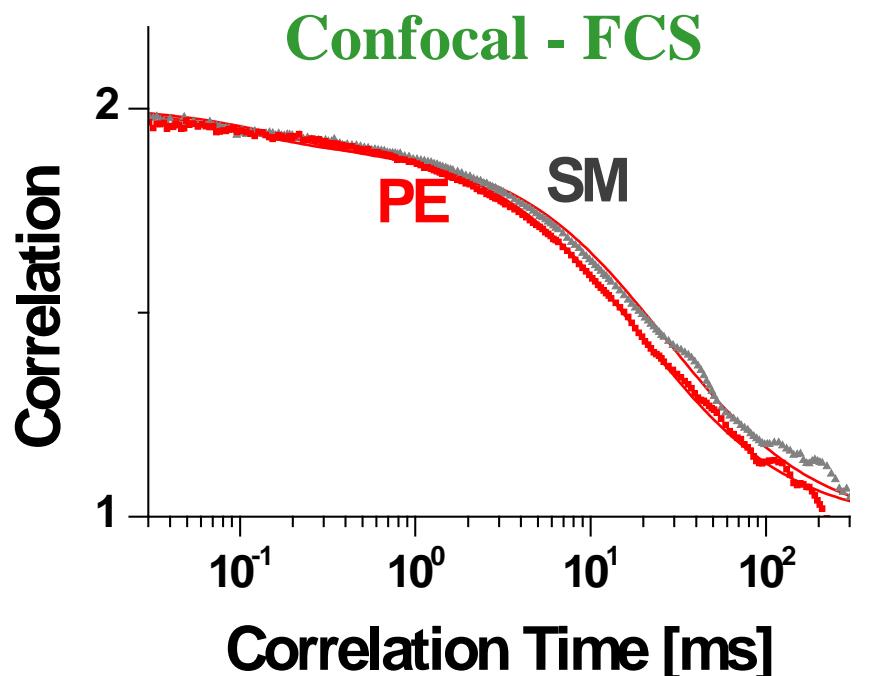
# Lipid Plasma Membrane Dynamics

## *Confocal Recordings*

Confocal: Limited spatial resolution !!!



Relative large confocal observation area:  
averages over details on nanoscale  
cannot distinguish normal diffusion  
from nanoscale hindered diffusion



SM diffusion slightly prolonged but still normal  
 $\tau_d \approx 20 \text{ ms (PE) / } 30 \text{ ms (SM)}$   
 $(1/\alpha) \approx 1 \text{ (PE / SM)}$

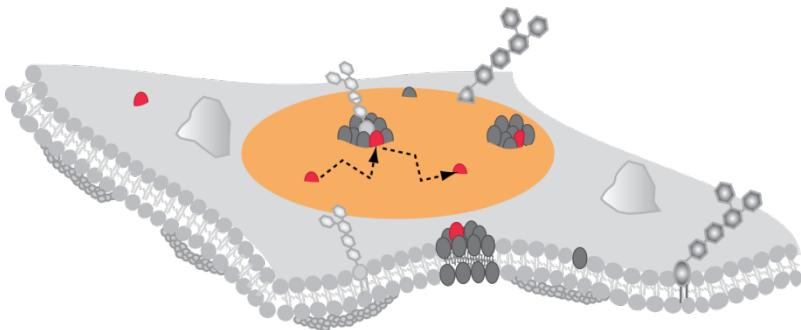
Slower normal diffusion  
but no anomalous diffusion???

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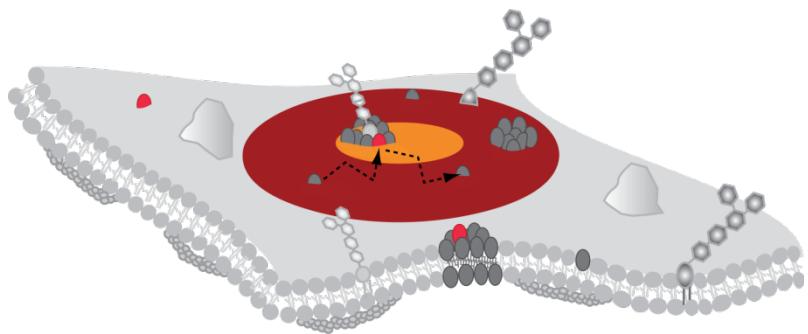
## *Move to STED*

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Confocal: Limited spatial resolution !!!

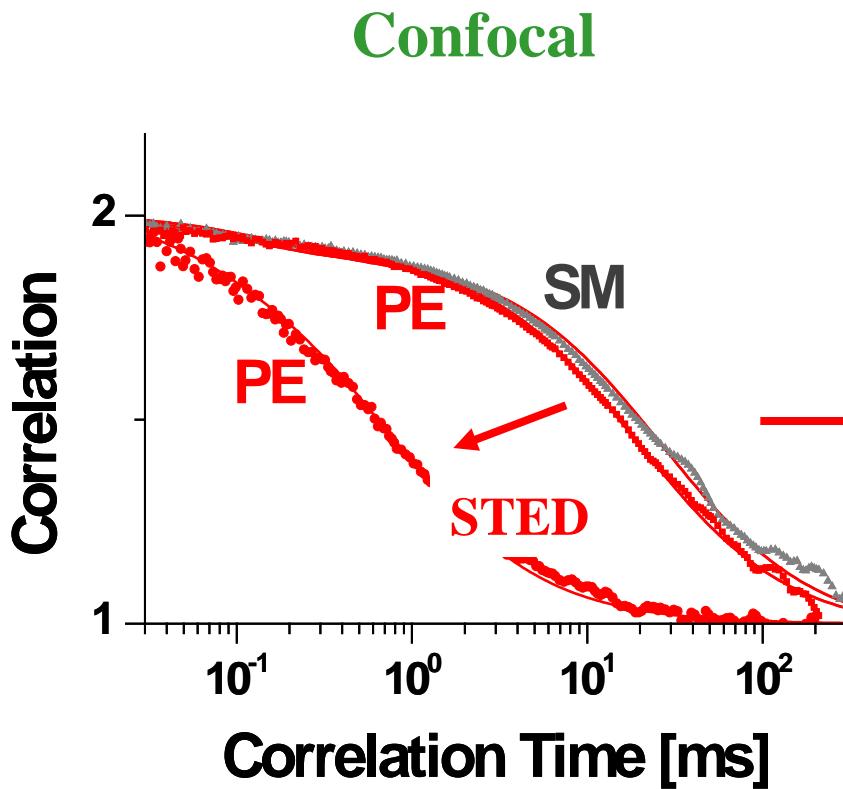


STED!!!!



# STED Live Cell Spectroscopy

## *Single Lipid Dynamics - FCS*



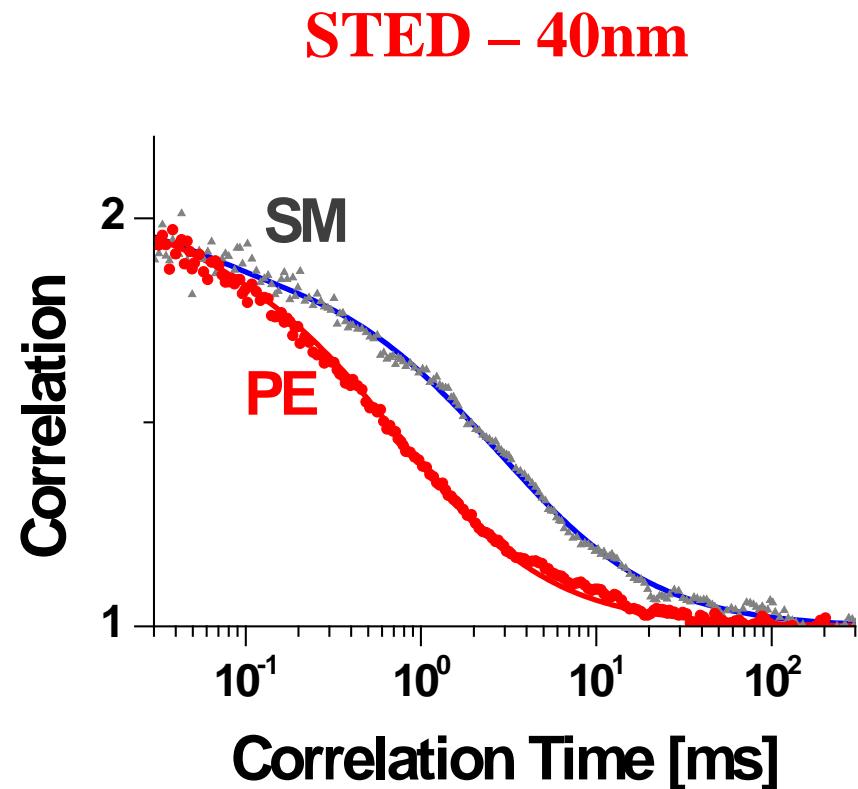
### STED (240 $\rightarrow$ 40nm):

PE diffusion scales with area reduction

$$\tau_d: 20 \rightarrow 0.6\text{ms} \text{ (35-fold)}$$

and still normal

$$(1/\alpha) \approx 1$$



### STED:

SM diffusion much longer than PE

$$\tau_d: 30 \rightarrow 3\text{ms} \text{ (10-fold)}$$

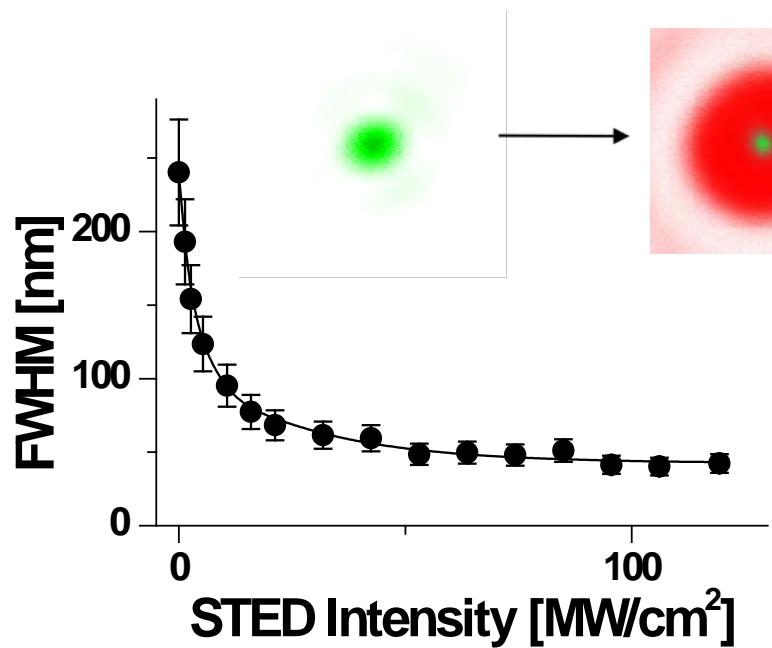
and anomalous

$$(1/\alpha) \approx 1.5$$

# Live Cell Nanoscopy

## STED-FCS

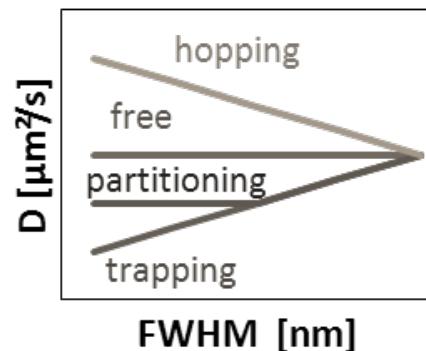
### STED-Microscopy: Tuning of observation area



**STED-FCS**  
Determine transit time  
for different sizes of observation areas  
(different STED intensities)

Calculate  
apparent diffusion coefficient:  
 $D \sim \text{area} / \text{transit time}$

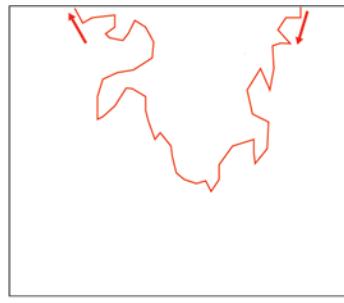
Dependencies:  $D(\text{diameter})$   
 $240\text{nm} \rightarrow 30/40\text{nm}$   
Varies for different diffusion modes



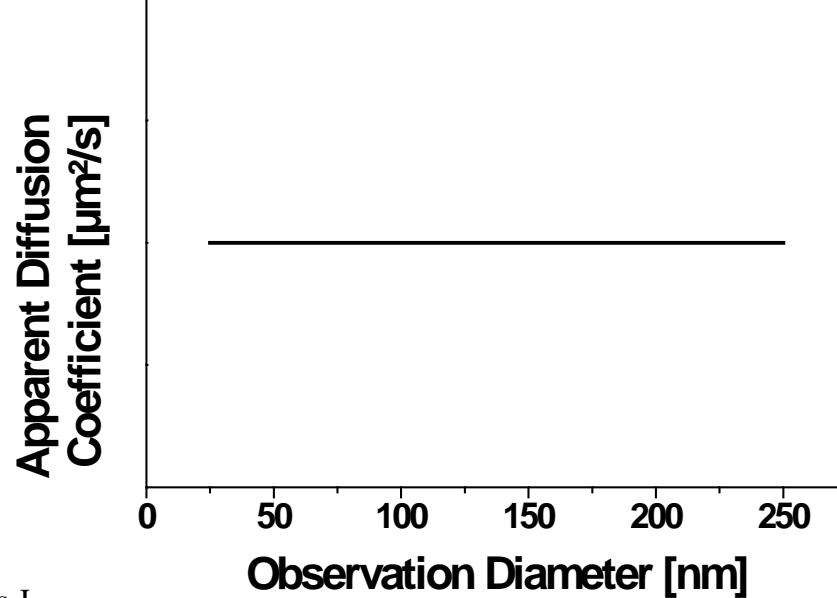
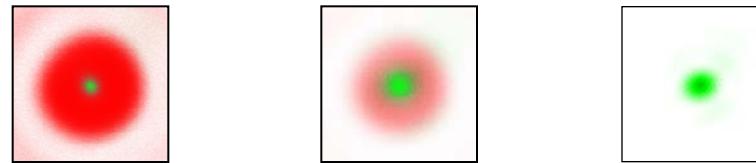
# Live Cell Nanoscopy

## *STED-FCS - Diffusion Models*

Free diffusion



← STED Intensity



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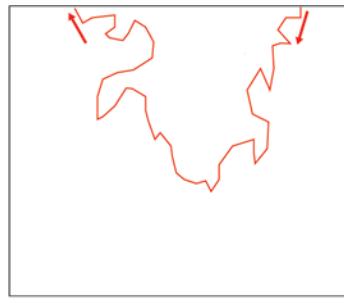
Apparent diffusion coefficient:

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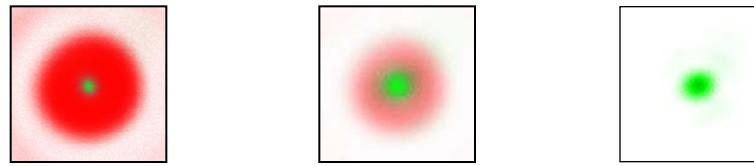
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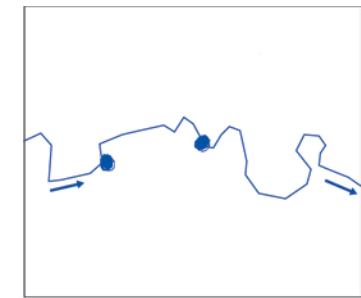
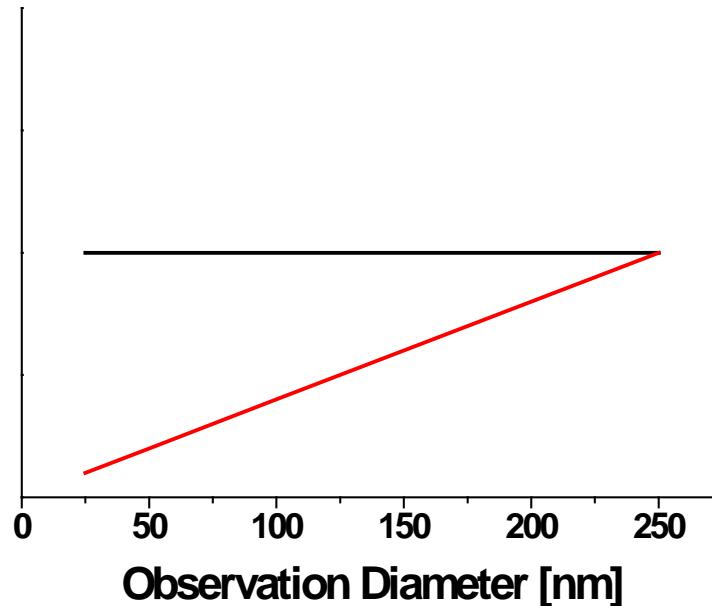
Free diffusion



← STED Intensity



Apparent Diffusion  
Coefficient [ $\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ ]



Trapping

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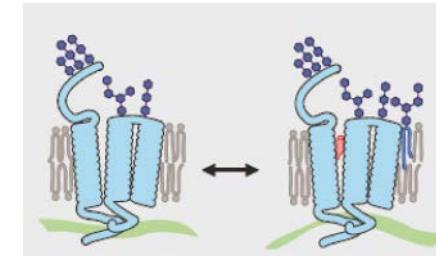
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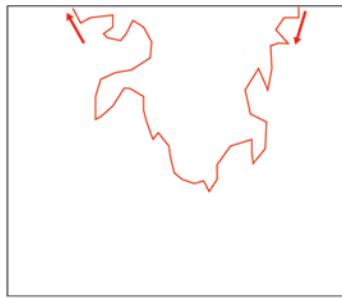
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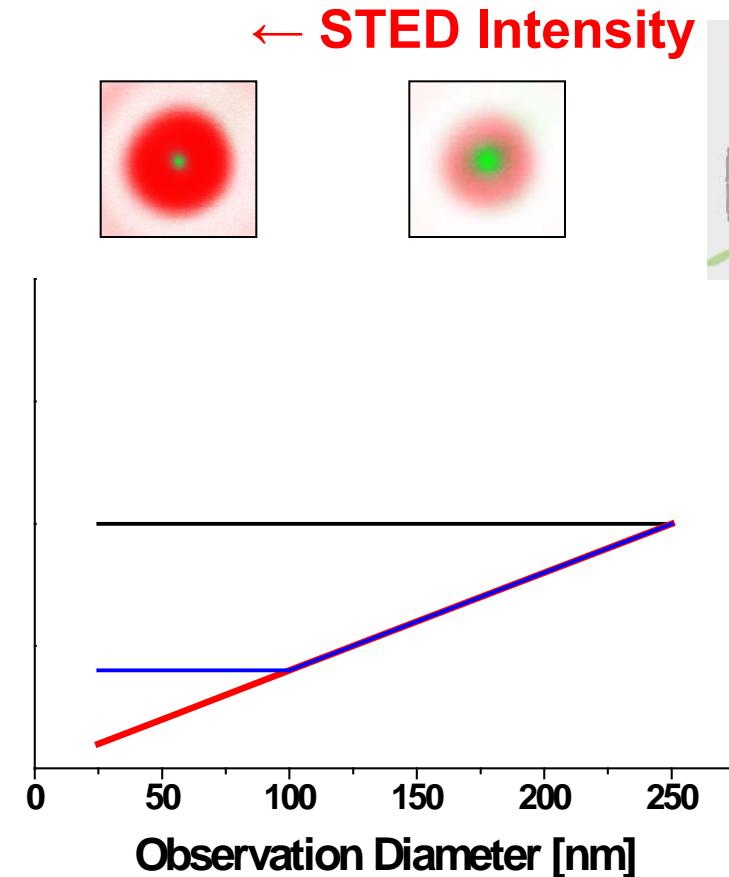
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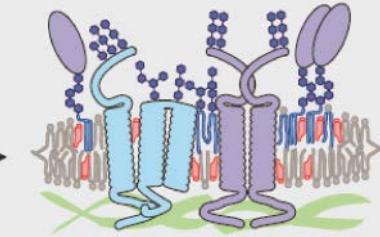
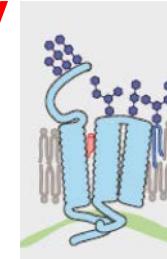
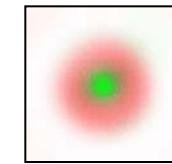
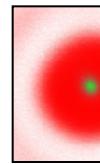
Free diffusion



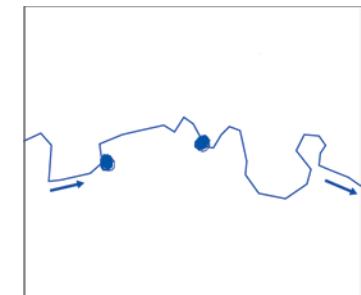
Apparent Diffusion Coefficient [ $\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ ]



← STED Intensity



Domain incorporation

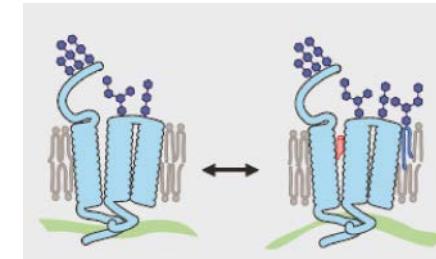


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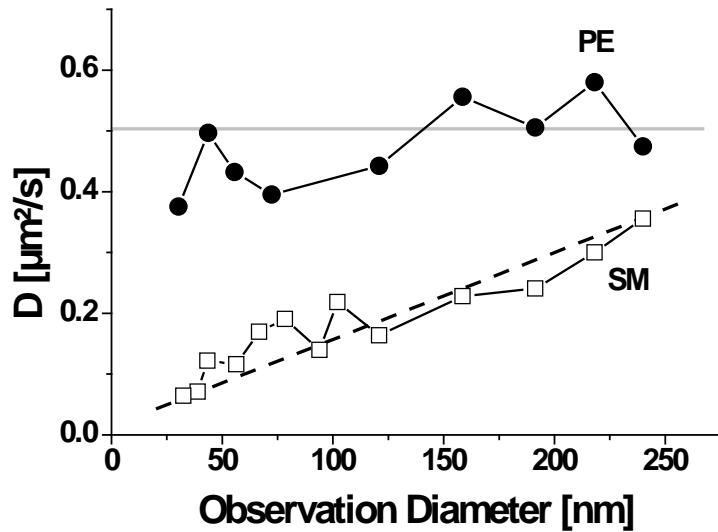
Apparent diffusion coefficient:

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# STED-FCS

## *Lipid Membrane Diffusion + Interactions: PE + SM*



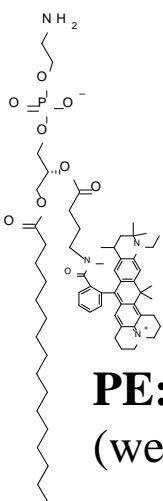
→ Complex on molecular scale  
(proteins, lipid-shells, ...)

~10 ms, no movement during trapping

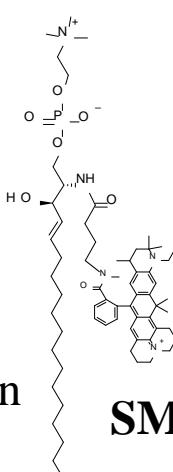
Cholesterol-assisted  
(COase/β-Cyclo-Dextrin/Zaragozic acid...)

Binding partner bound to cytoskeleton  
(Latrunculin/Jasplakinolide/Nocodazole...)

Dependence on lipid structure – proteins as well  
(not label)

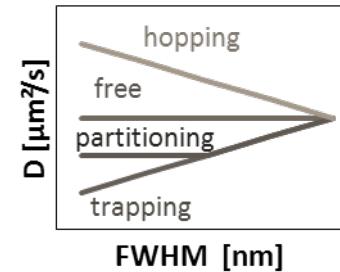
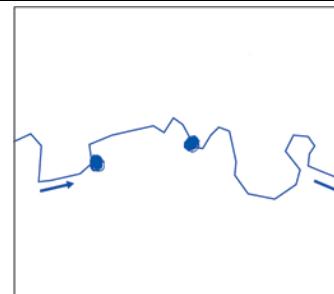


PE: free diffusion  
(weak trapping )



SM: trapping

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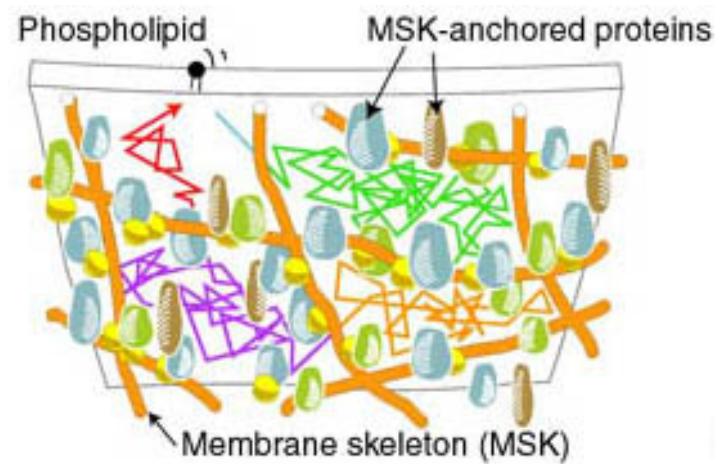
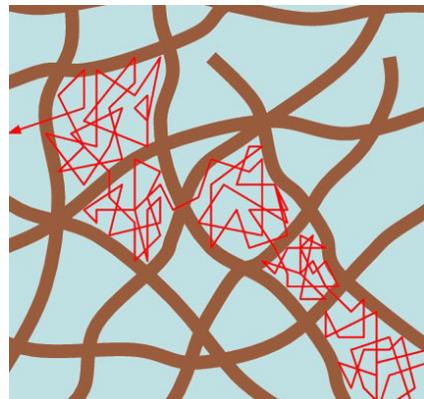
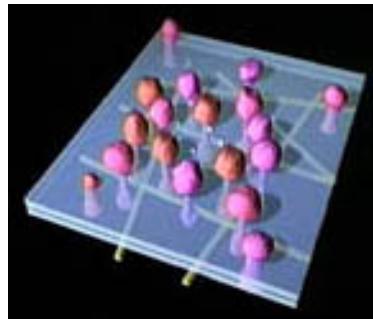


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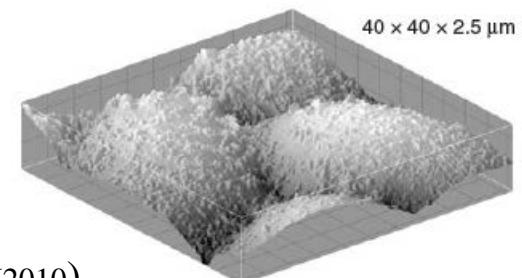
## *Interactions on the Nanoscale: Cytoskeleton*

### Cytoskeleton

- Membrane divided in compartments
- Proteins: fence/hindrance in diffusion path
- Hopping diffusion



Kusumi

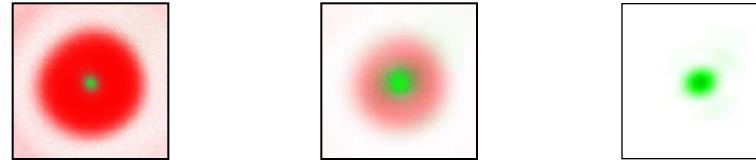


Curvature (Parmryd, NM2010)

# Live Cell Nanoscopy

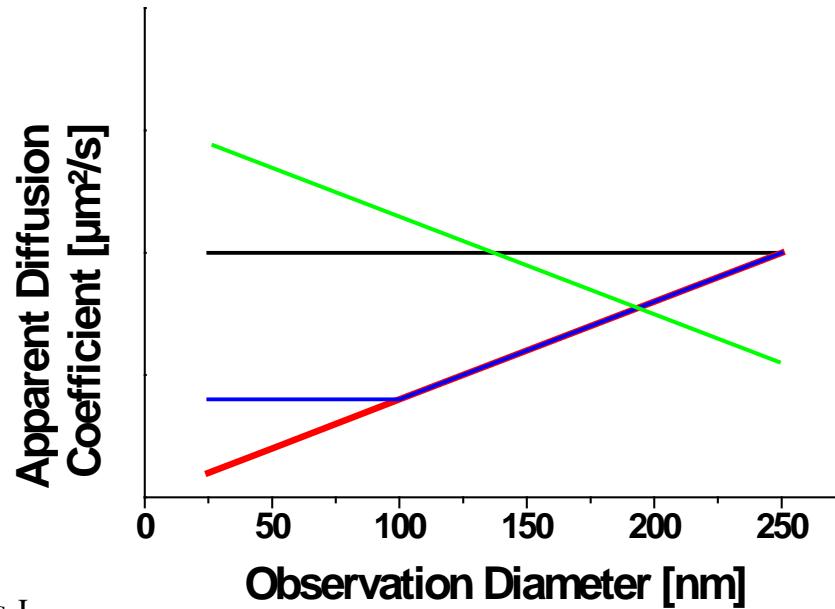
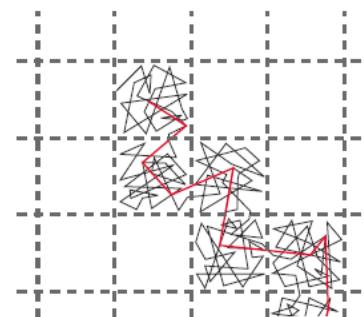
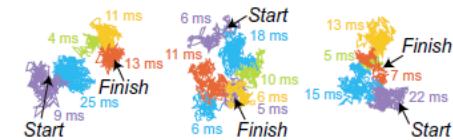
## STED-FCS - Diffusion Models

← STED Intensity



Hopping (Kusumi)  
meshwork, curvature,...

25- $\mu$ s resolution (62-ms observation; 2,500 points)



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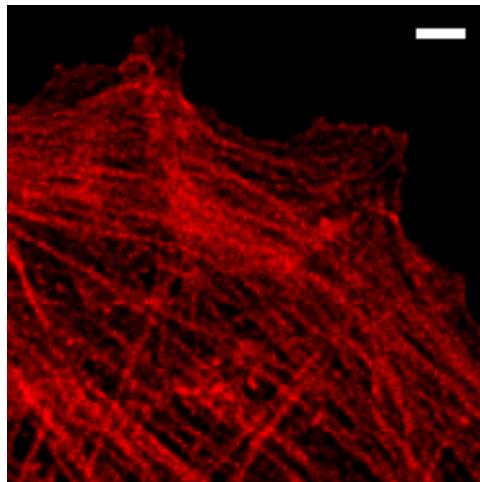
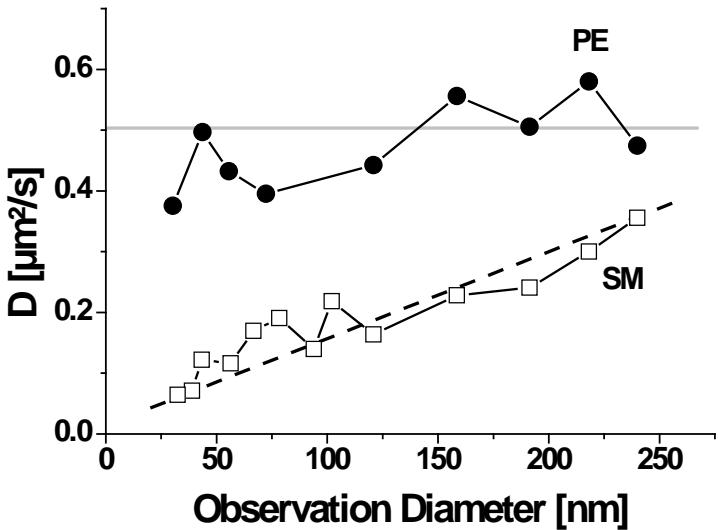
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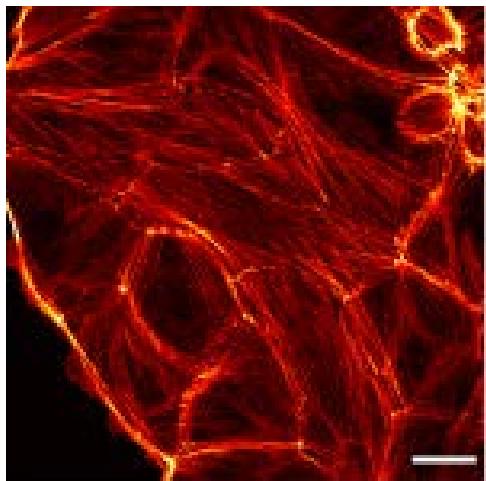
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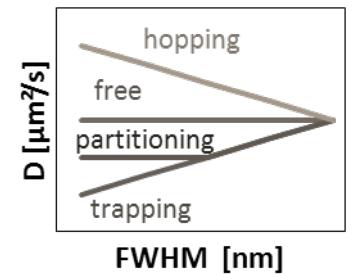
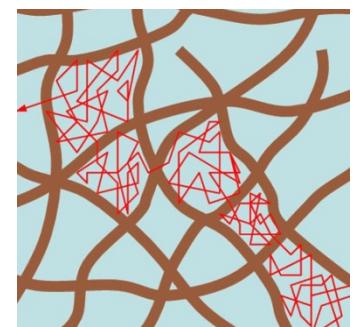
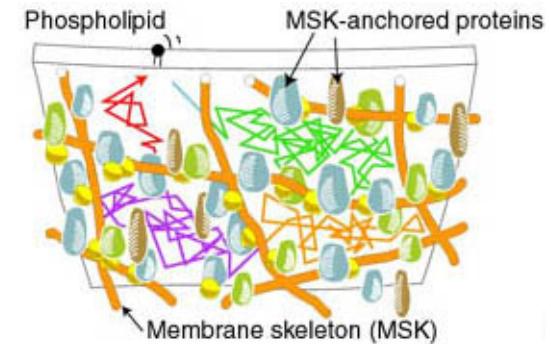
## *Hopping of Lipids?*



NRK cells

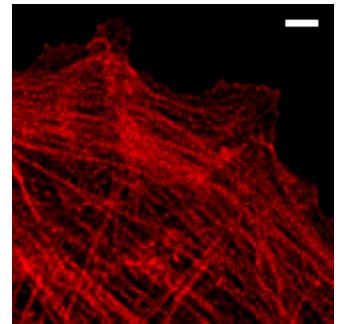
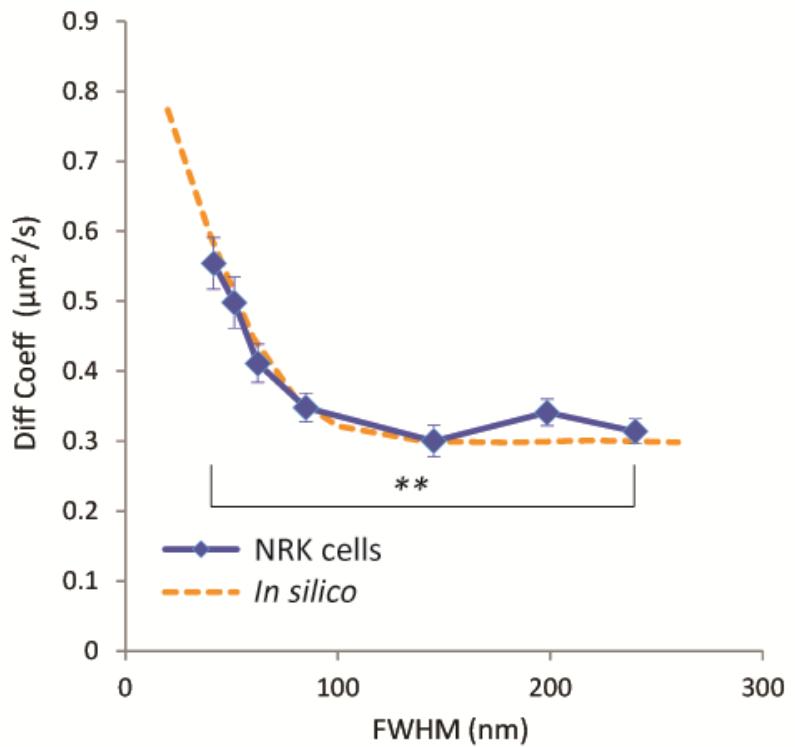


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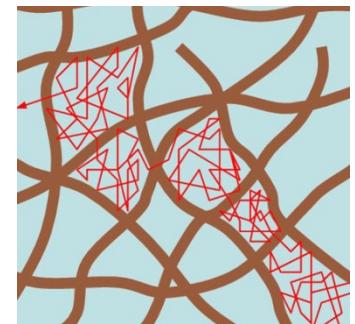


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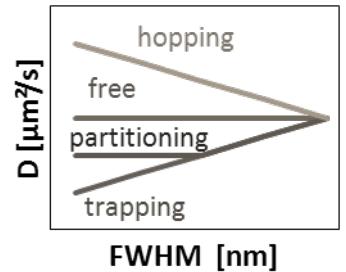


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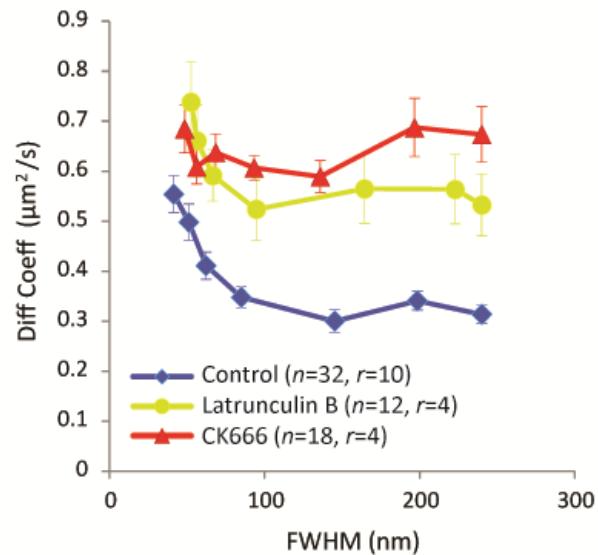
$D = 0.8 \mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$   
 $P_{\text{hop}} = 0.1$   
 $L = 80\text{nm}$

Machado Andrade 2012/2013



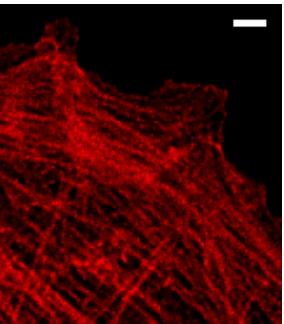
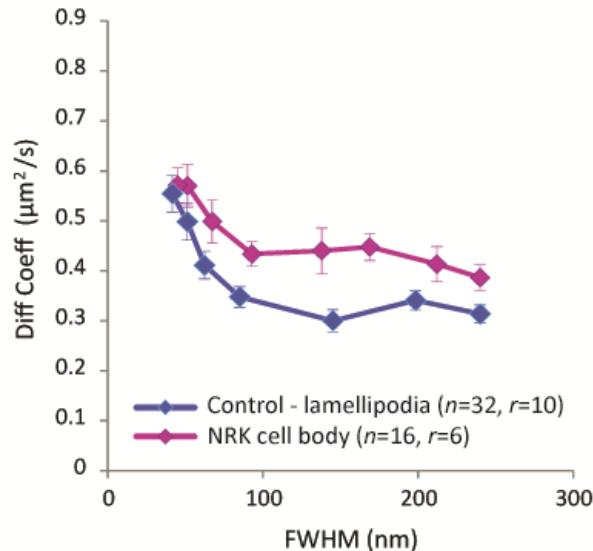
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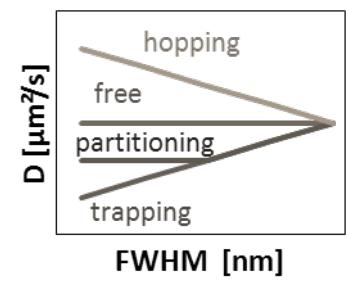
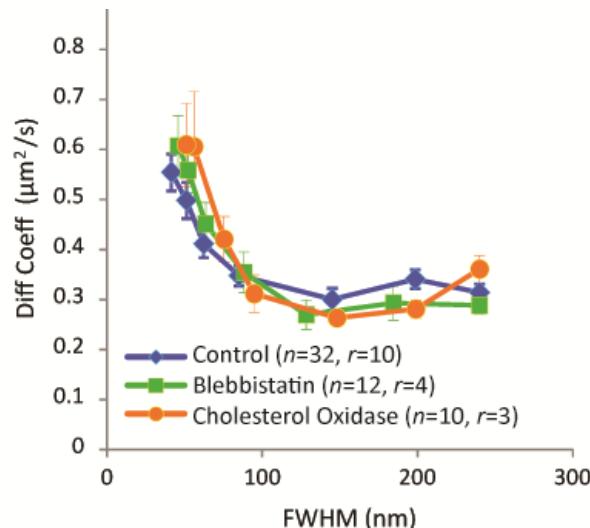


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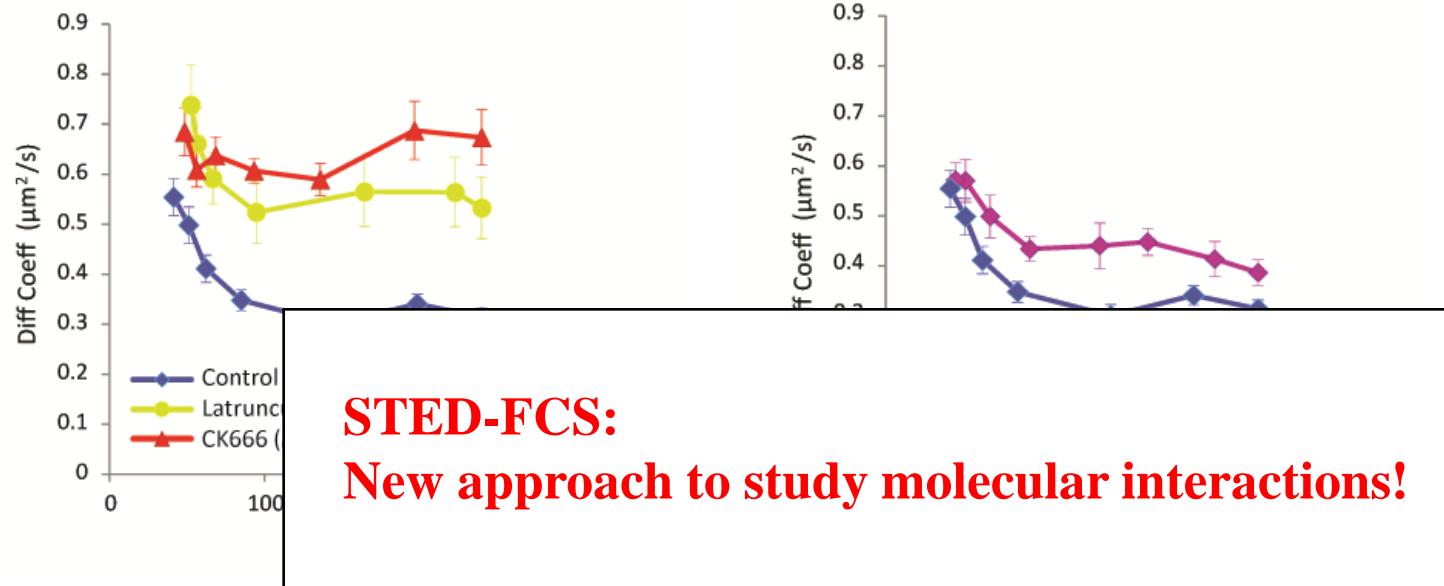


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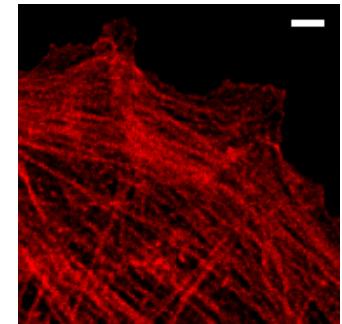
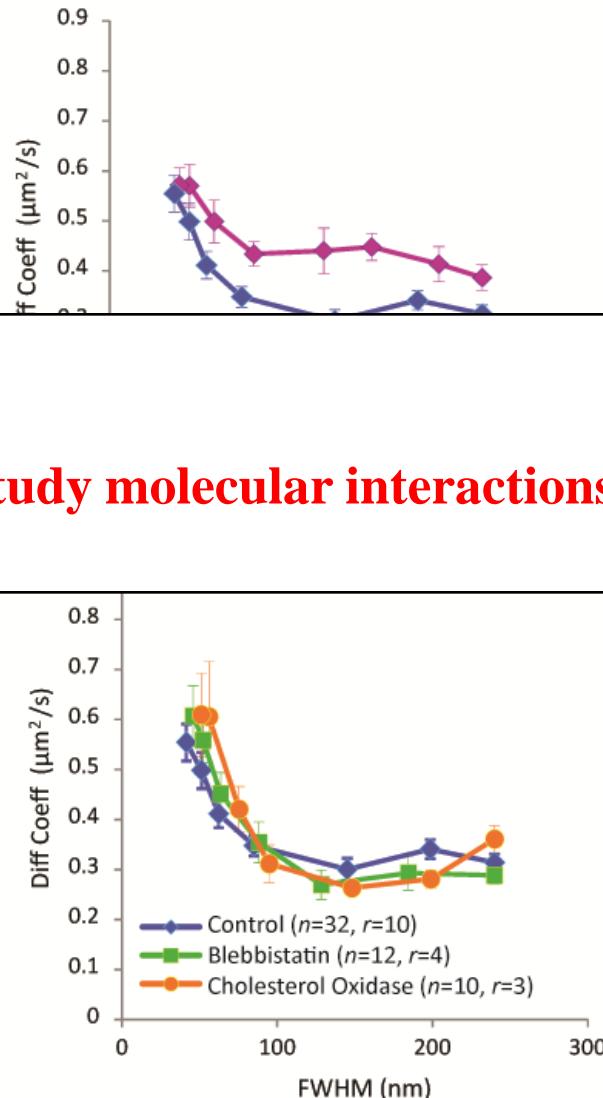
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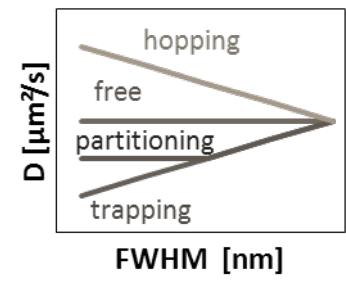
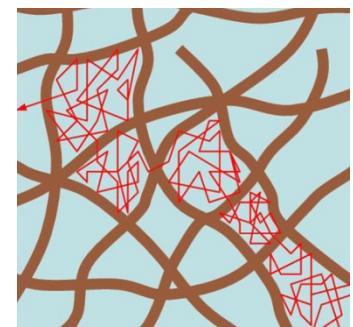


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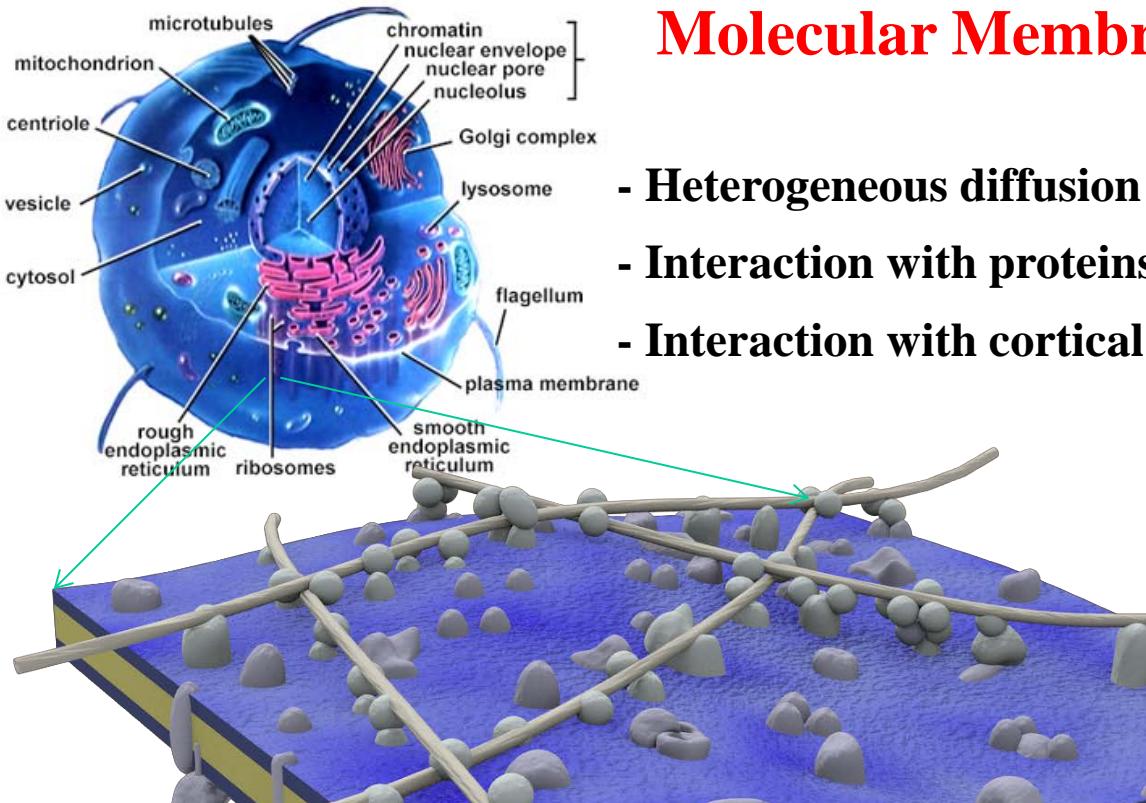


NRK cells



# Lipid Plasma Membrane Dynamics

## Nanoscale Diffusion



### Molecular Membrane Dynamics:

- Heterogeneous diffusion (viscosity, curvature...)
- Interaction with proteins / lipids
- Interaction with cortical cytoskeleton

Highly dynamic!

Very molecule-specific!!!!  
(lipids specific function)

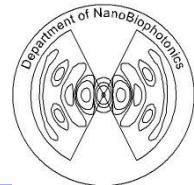
Link to functionality!?

#### Purpose

- increase probability of interactions of less abundant molecules
- trigger cellular signaling

20nm

Small spatial  
scales!!!!



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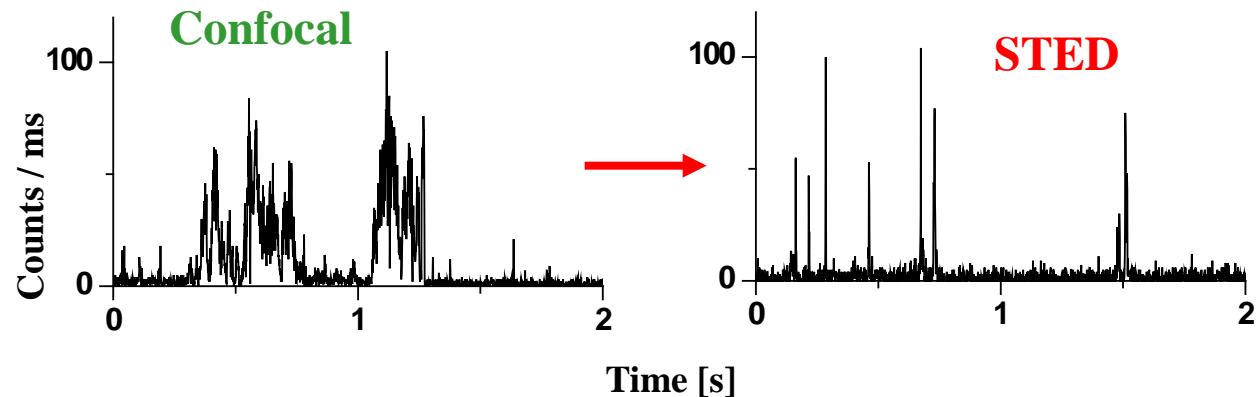
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