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# **Advanced Imaging with the XFEL and Potential of Attosecond Coherent Diffractive Imaging**

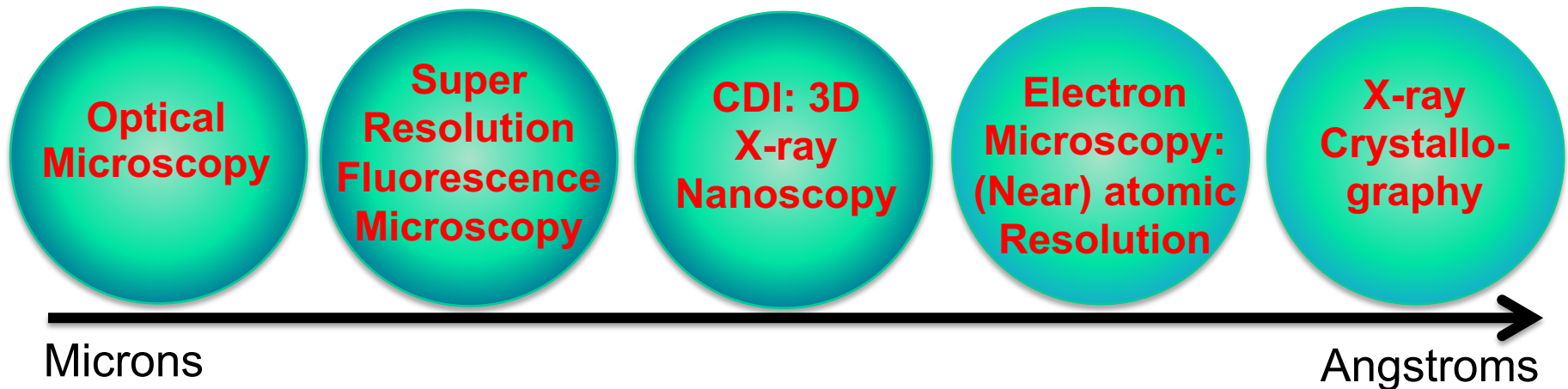
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# Revolutions in Imaging and Structure Determination

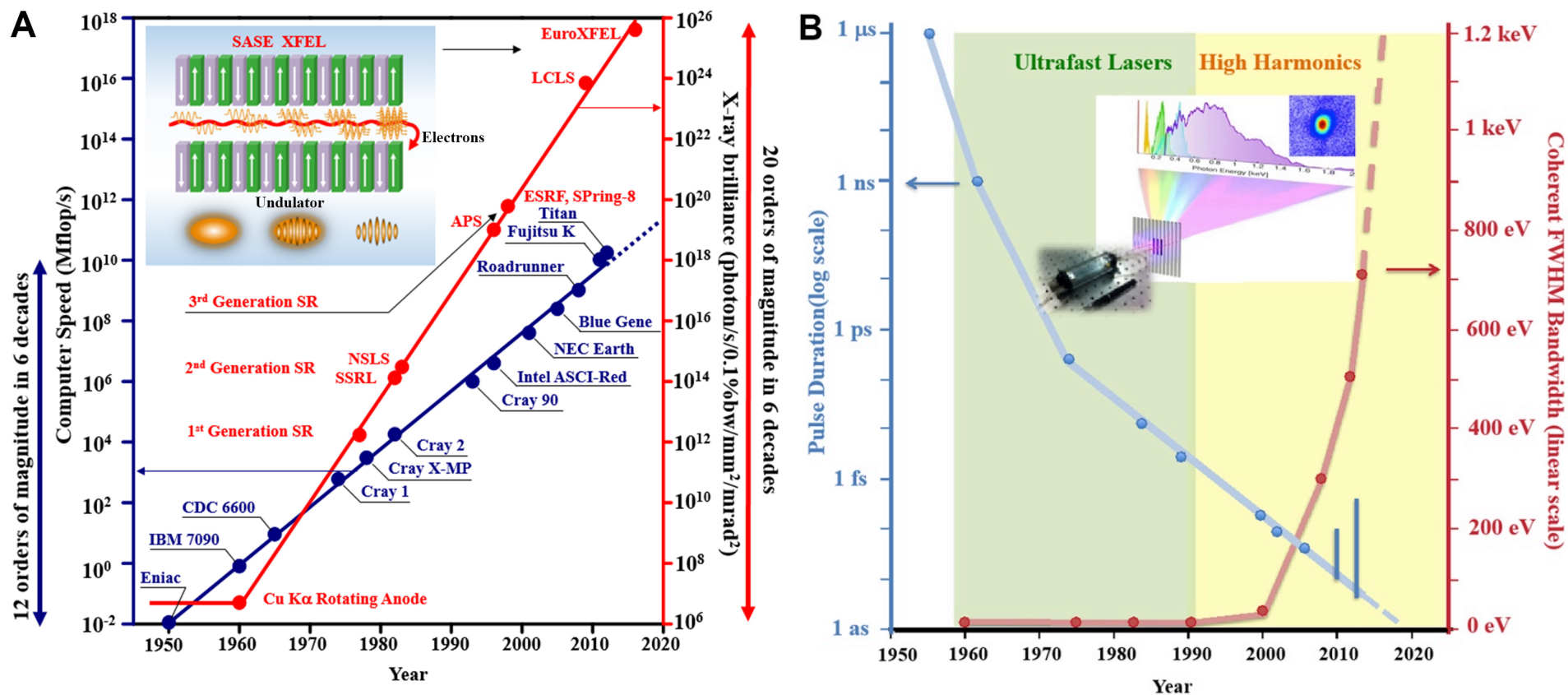
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**Time scales: minutes to femtoseconds**

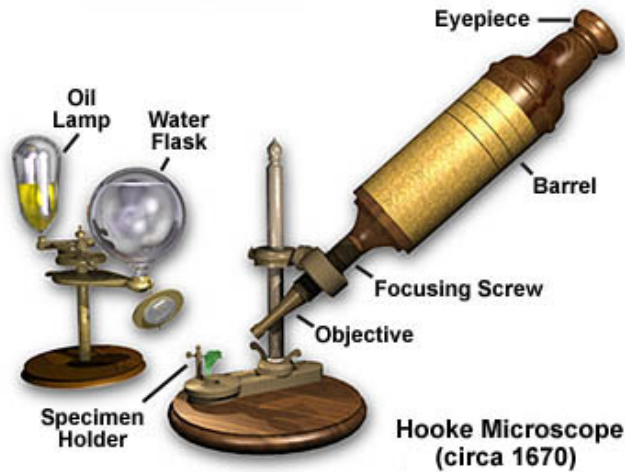
- **Brilliant X-ray sources (such as X-ray free electron lasers and advanced synchrotrons) and aberration-corrected electron microscopy**
- **Powerful imaging methods such as super-resolution fluorescence microscopy, cryo-electron microscopy, optical tweezers and coherent diffractive imaging (CDI)**
- **High dynamic range detectors with single photon or electron counting**
- **Advanced algorithms, big data handling, fast computers and machine learning**

# Breakthrough in Coherent X-ray Sources



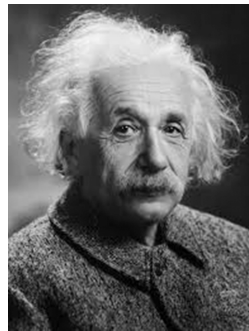
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# Coherent Diffractive Imaging: From Lens-Based Microscopy to Lensless Microscopy



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(b)



Fourier magnitudes of (a)  
+ Fourier phases of (b)

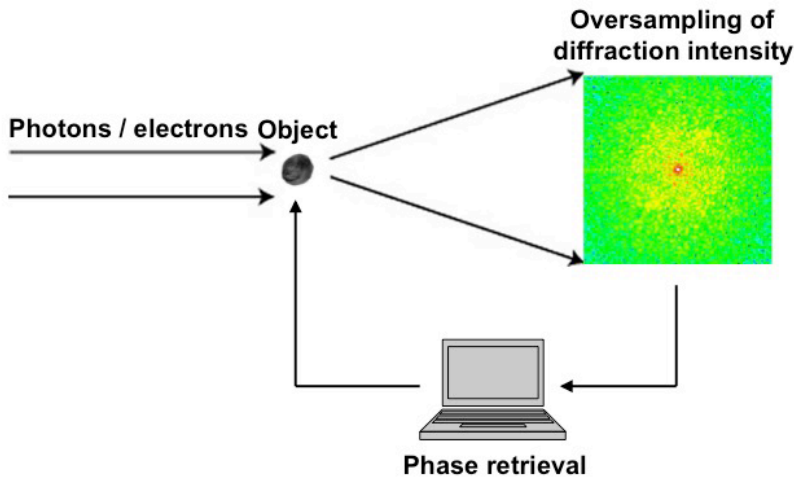


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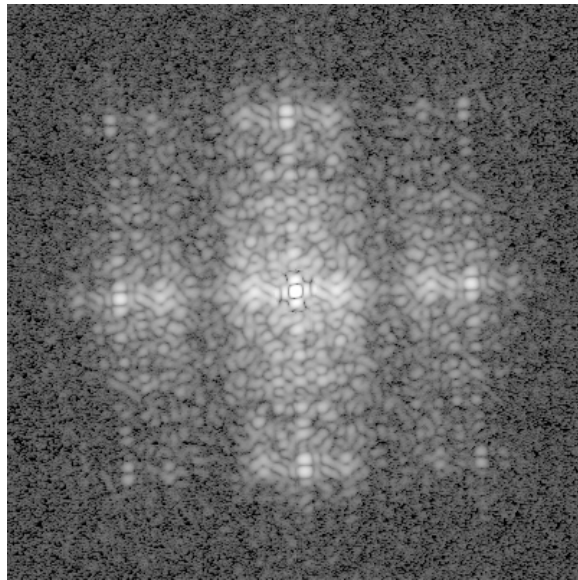


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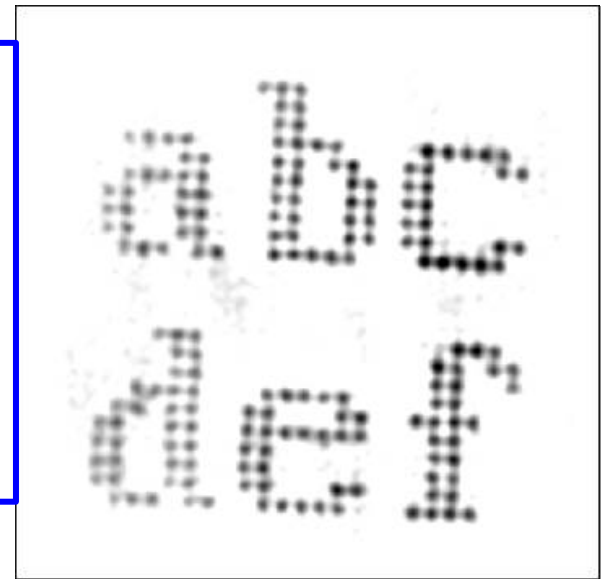


A new type of microscopy based on  
the Young's double slit experiment

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**First experimental demonstration of CDI: replacing the physical lenses with coherent illumination and computational algorithms (lensless imaging or computational microscopy)**

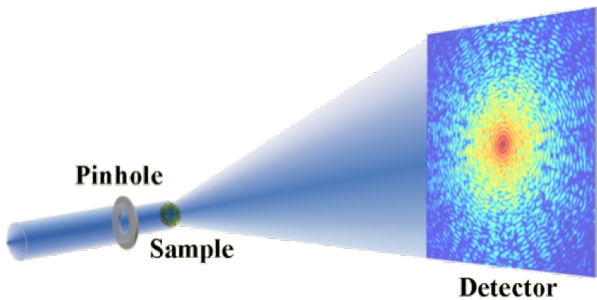


Coherent X-ray diffraction pattern

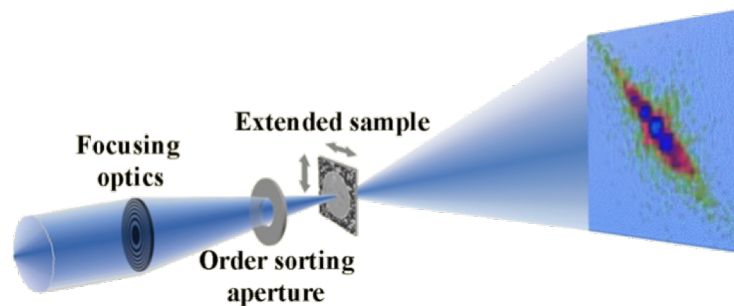
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# Coherent Diffractive Imaging Methods

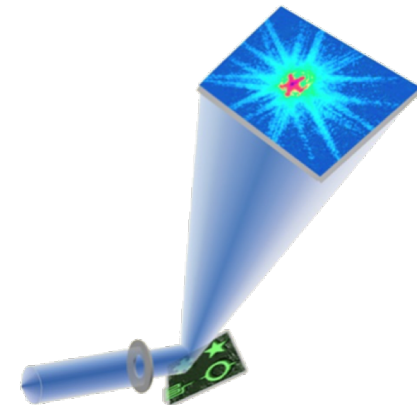
CDI methods have been applied to the physical and biological sciences using synchrotron radiation, XFELs, HHG, electrons and optical lasers.



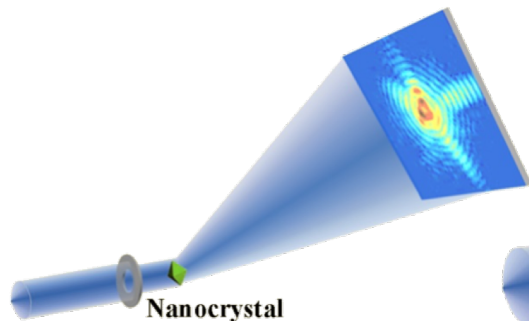
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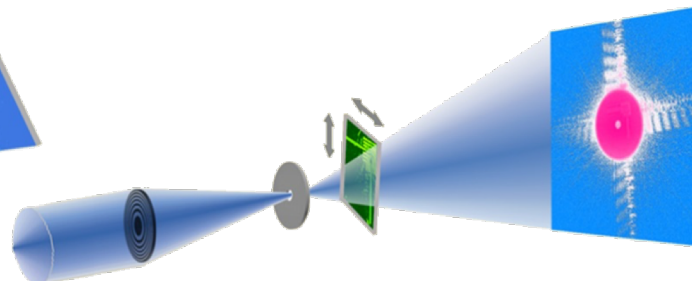
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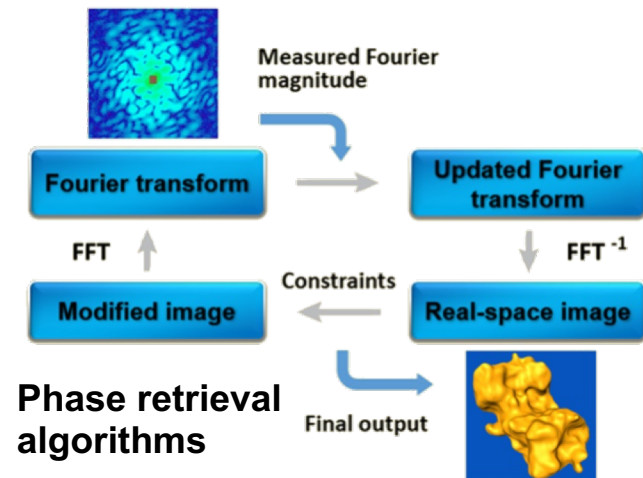
Reflection CDI



Bragg CDI



Fresnel CDI

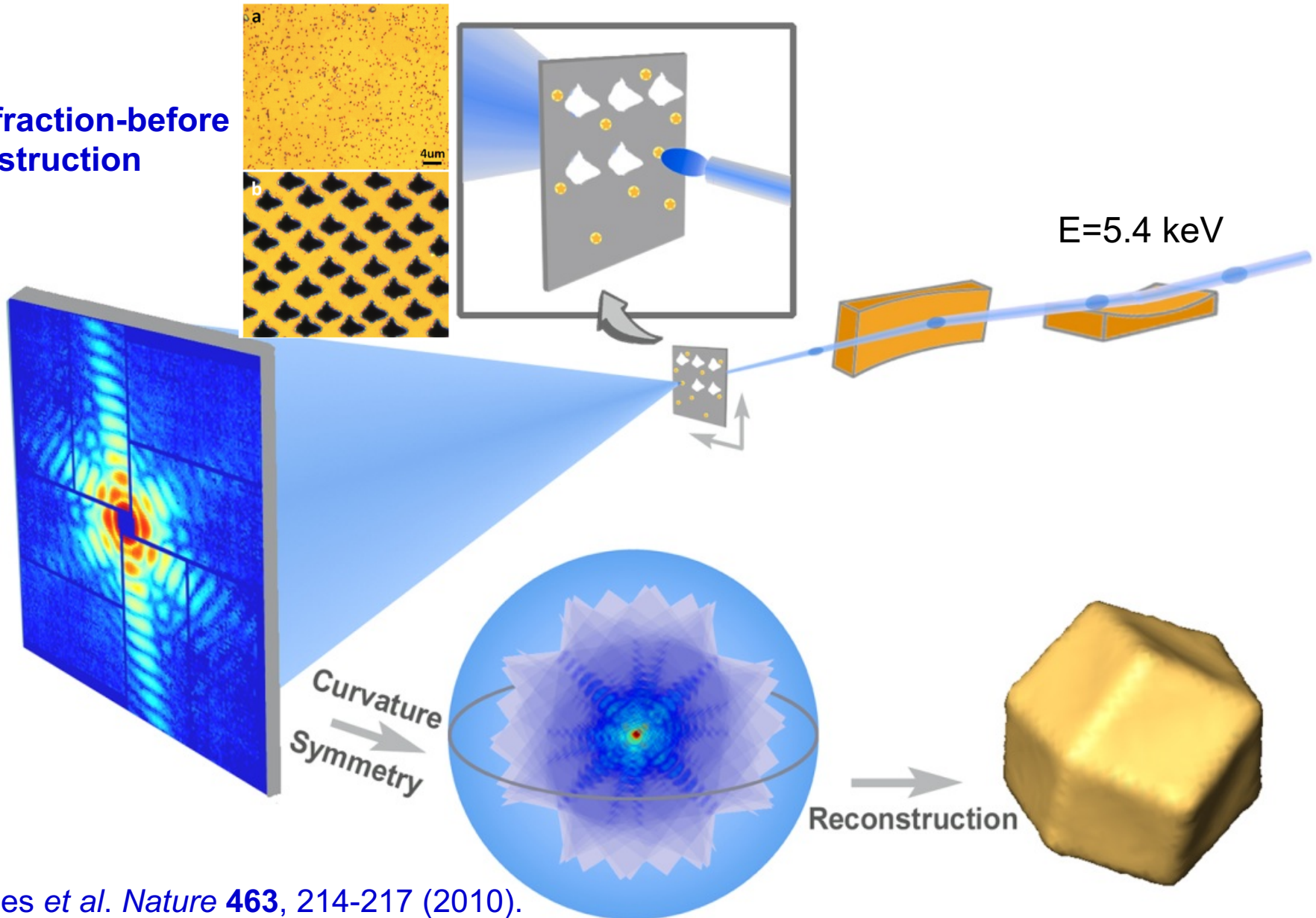


Phase retrieval algorithms

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# Single-Shot 3D Imaging Experiment with the XFEL

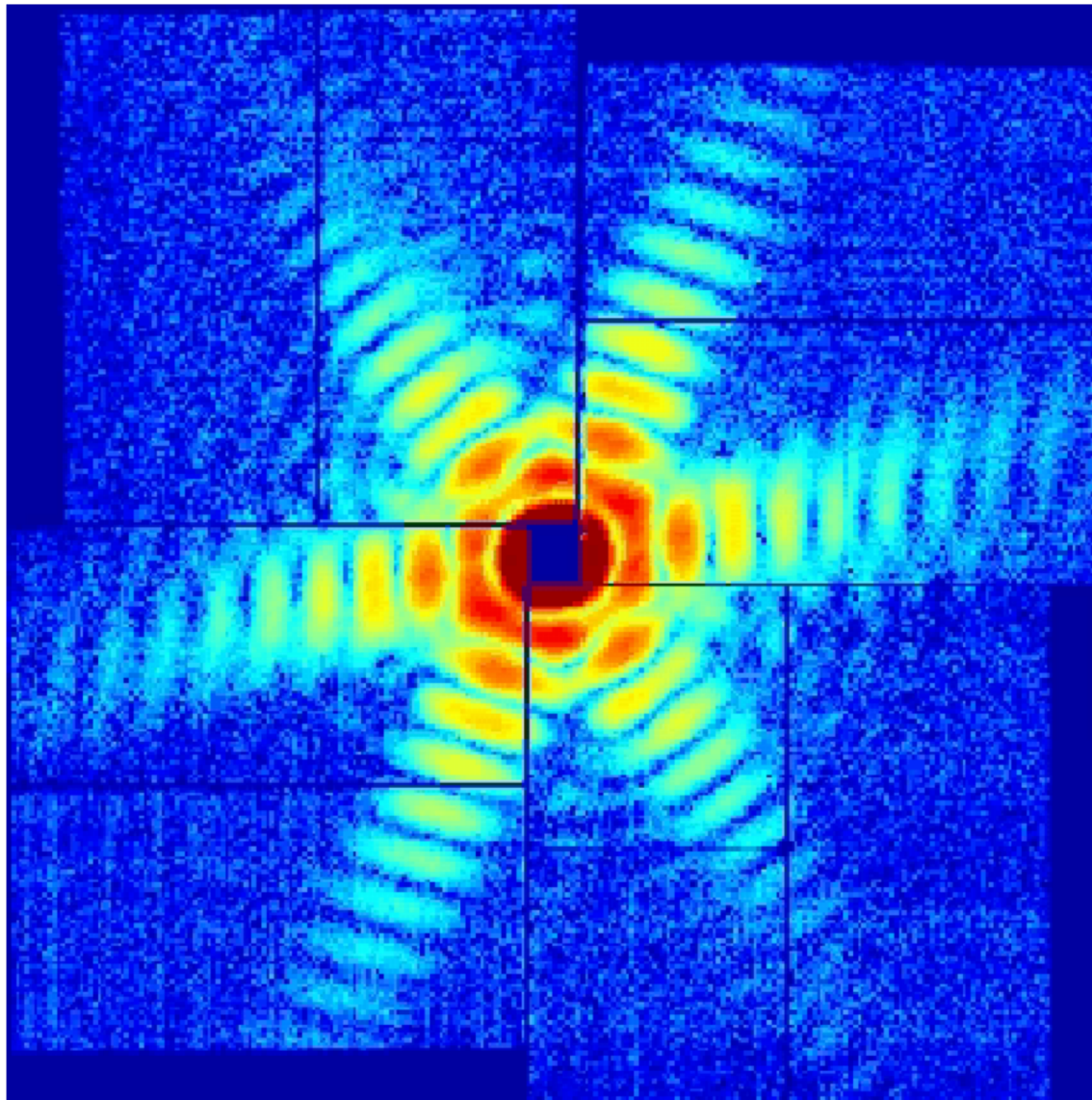
Diffraction-before-destruction



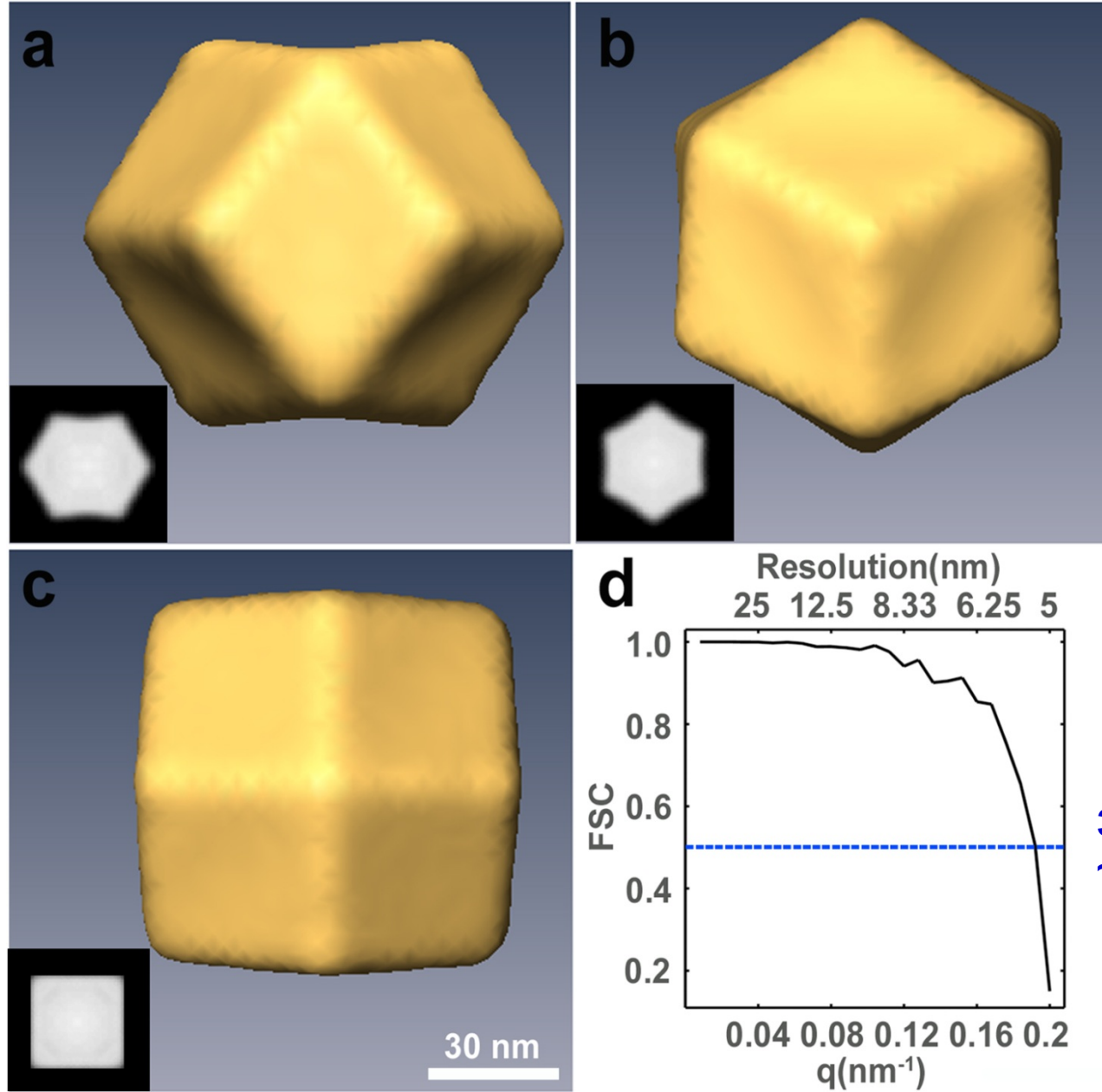


## High Quality Single-Shot Diffraction Patterns

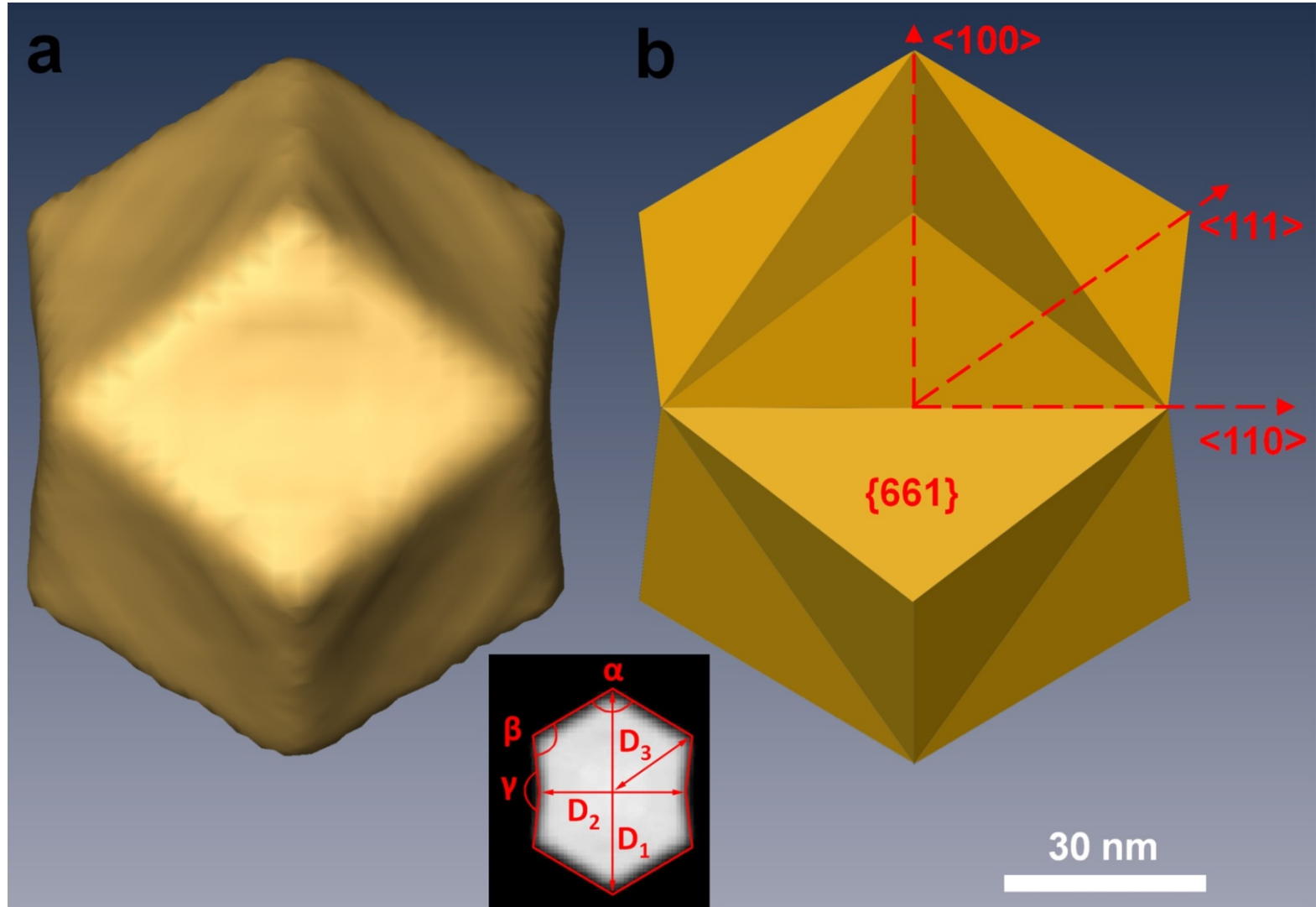
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# 3D Reconstruction of a Single-Shot Diffraction Pattern



# A 3D Model of the Trisoctahedral Au Nanocrystal Obtained from the Single-Shot 3D Reconstruction

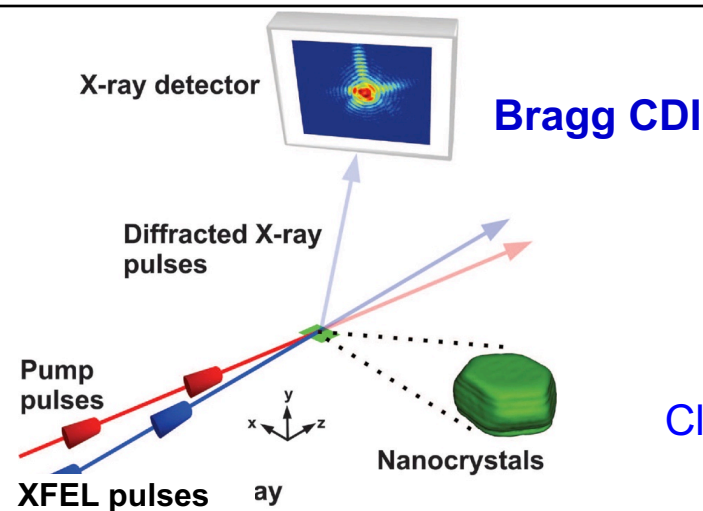


$\alpha = 119.3^\circ$   $\beta = 113.4^\circ$   $\gamma = 166.1^\circ$   $D_1 = 102.6$  nm  $D_2 = 72.3$  nm  $D_3 = 48.5$  nm

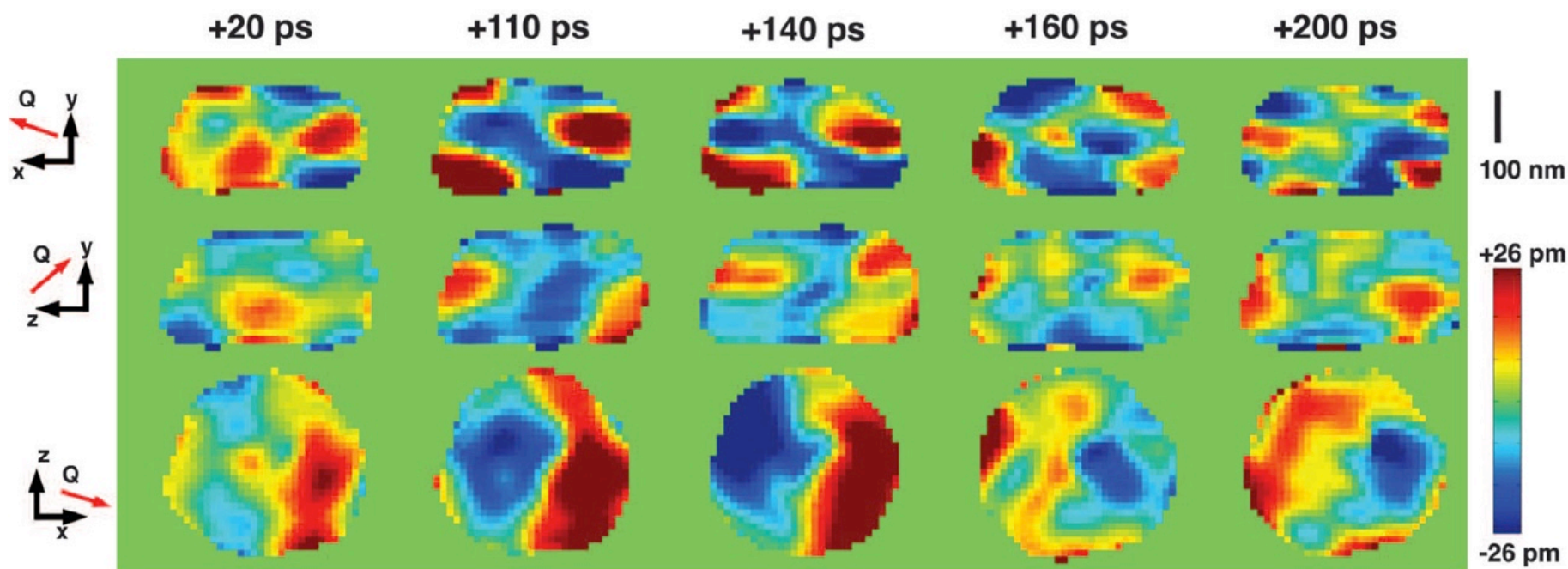
Xu *et al.*, *Nature Commun.* **5**, 4061 (2014); Pryor *et al.*, *Sci. Rep.* **8**, 8284 (2018).



# 3D Imaging of Lattice Dynamics in Individual Gold Nanocrystals

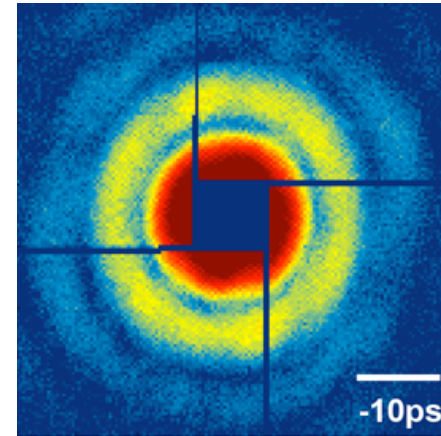
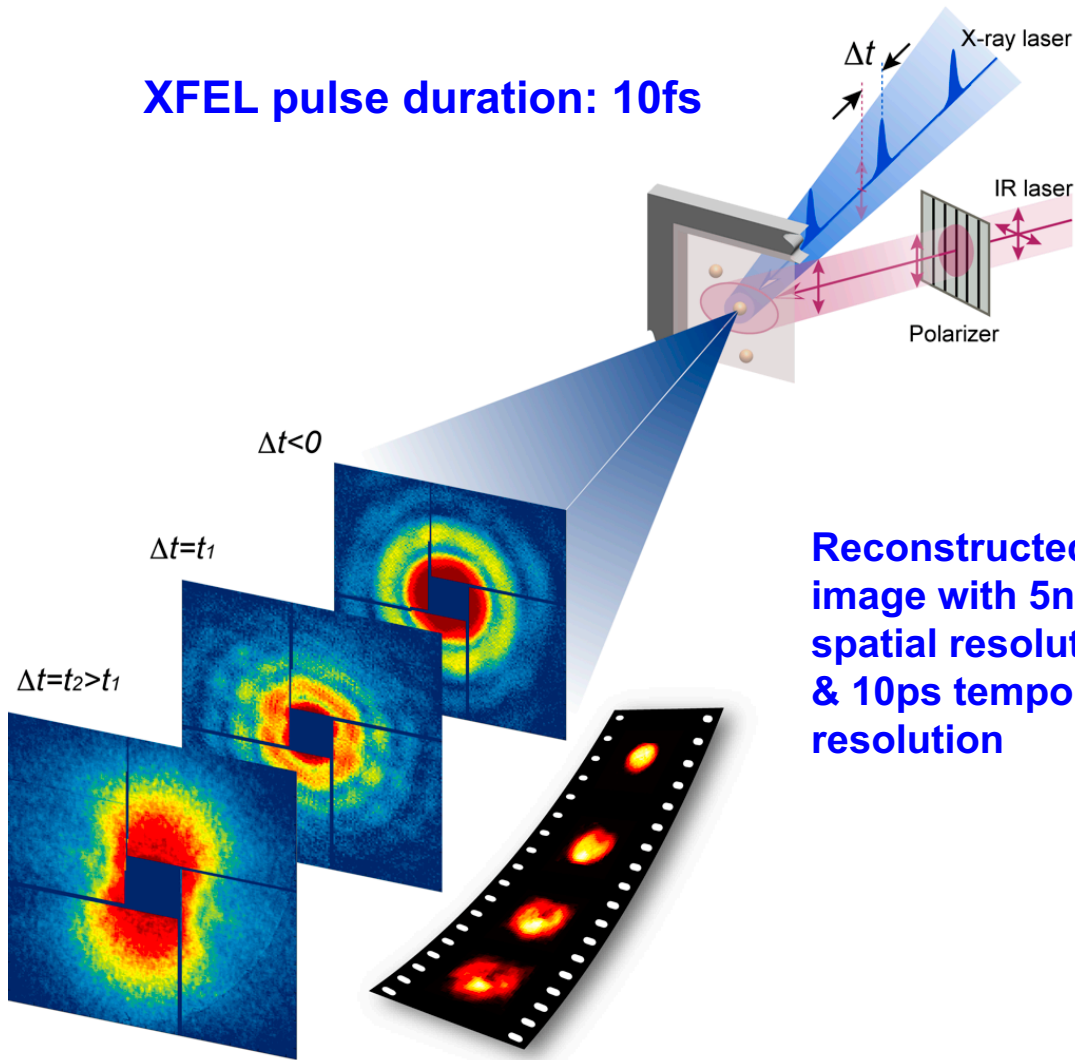


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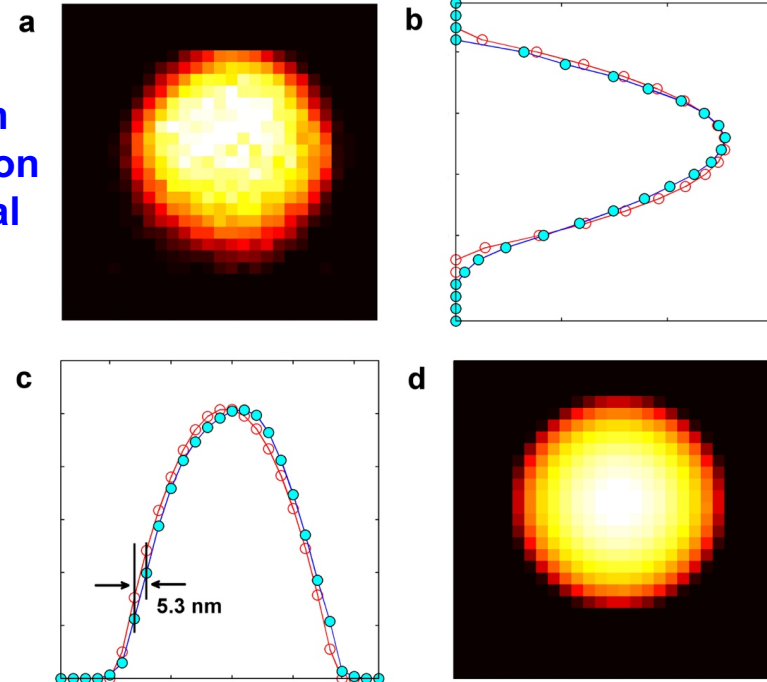


# Time-Resolved CDI with 5-nm-Spatial Resolution and 10-ps-Temporal Resolution

**XFEL pulse duration: 10fs**

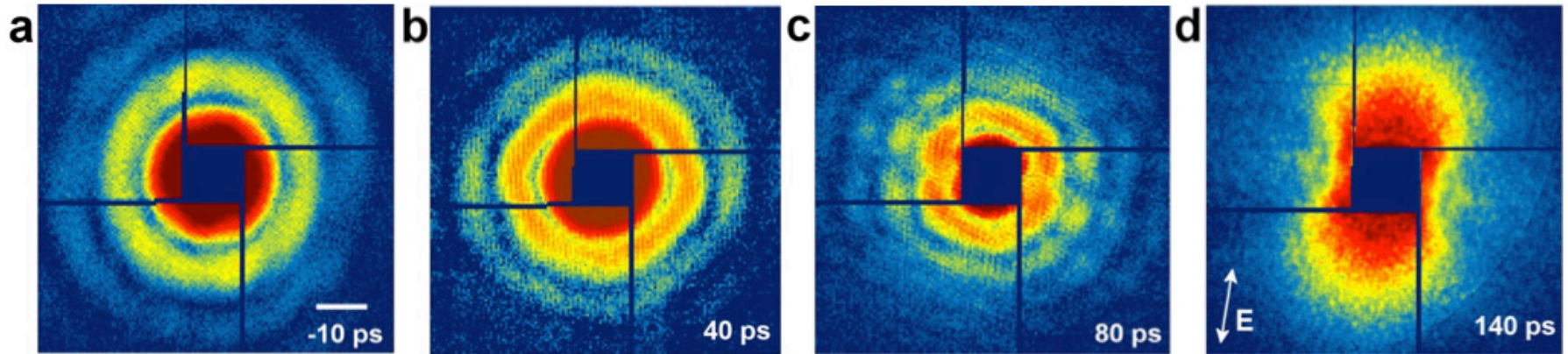


**Reconstructed image with 5nm spatial resolution & 10ps temporal resolution**

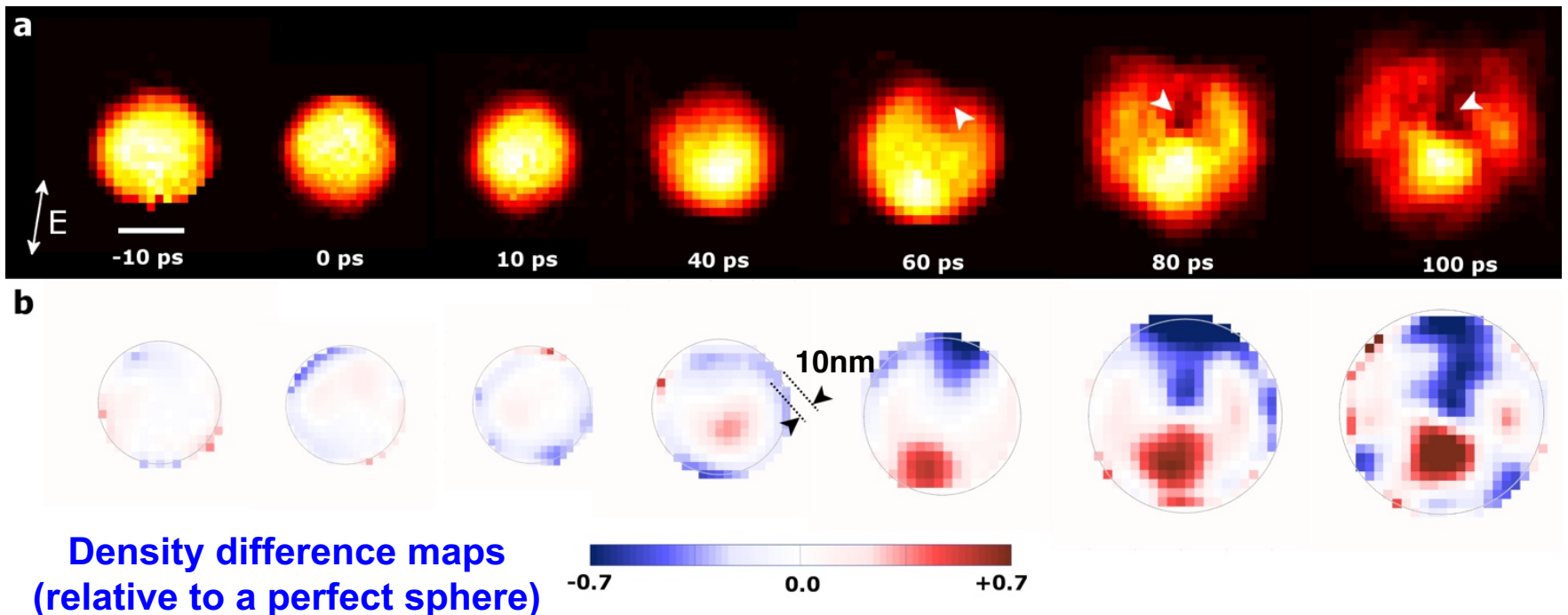


# Direct Observation of Irreversible Melting

## Single-shot diffraction patterns with polarization-dependent anisotropic distortion

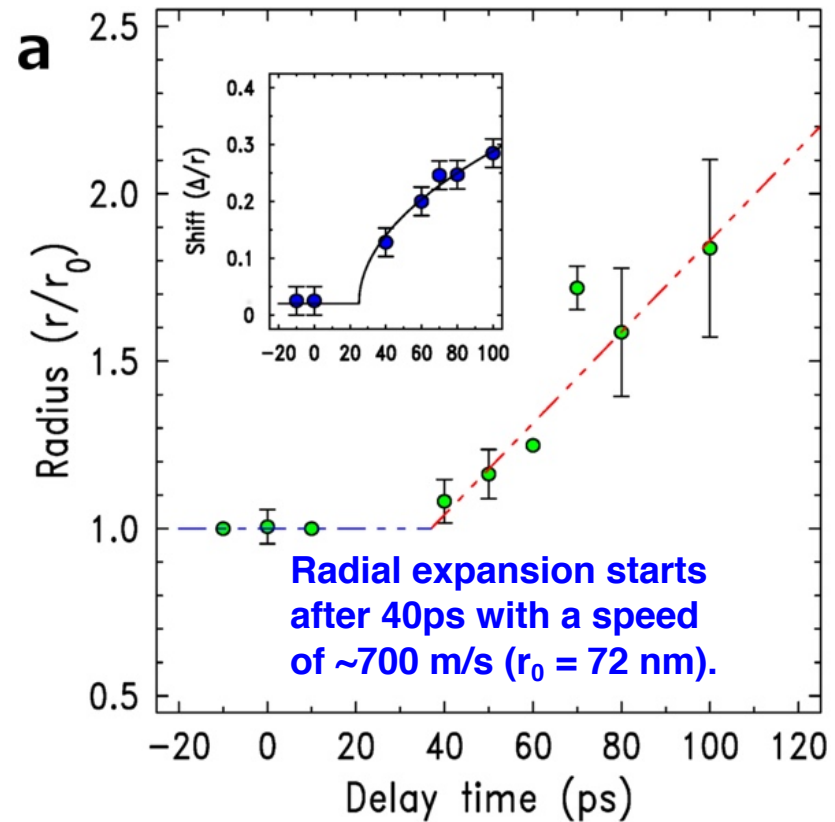
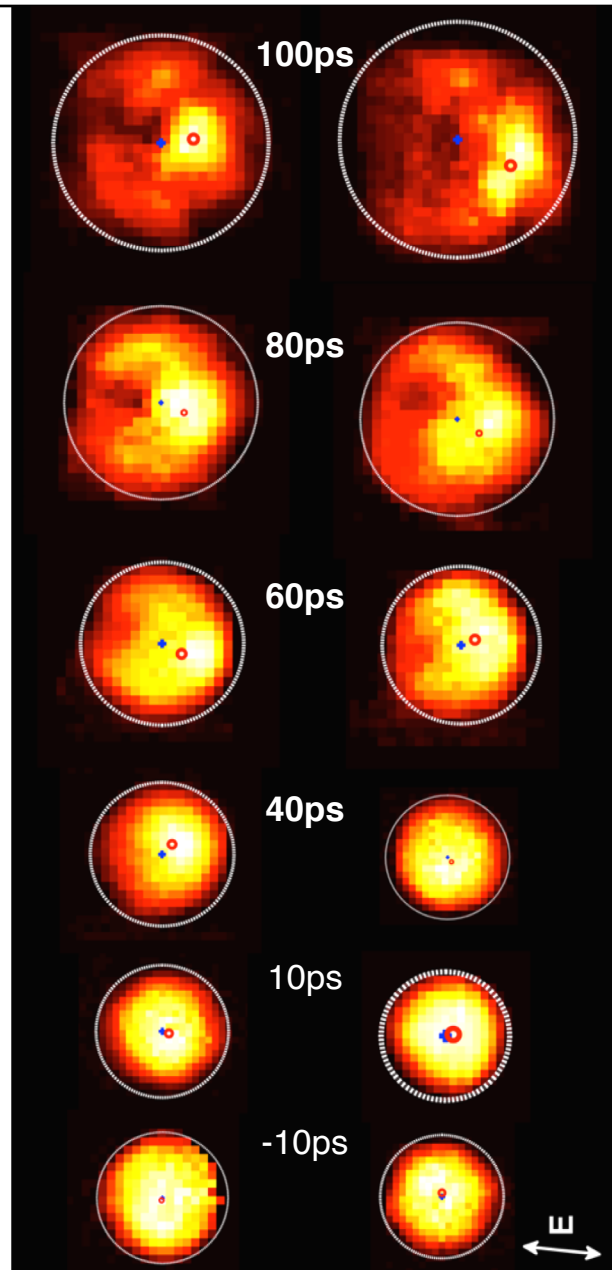


## Reconstructed images





# Polarization-Induced Anisotropic Melting

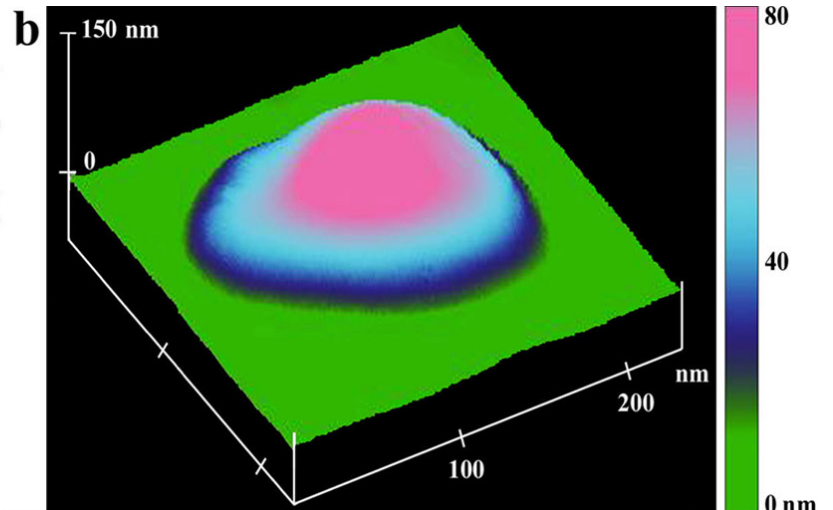
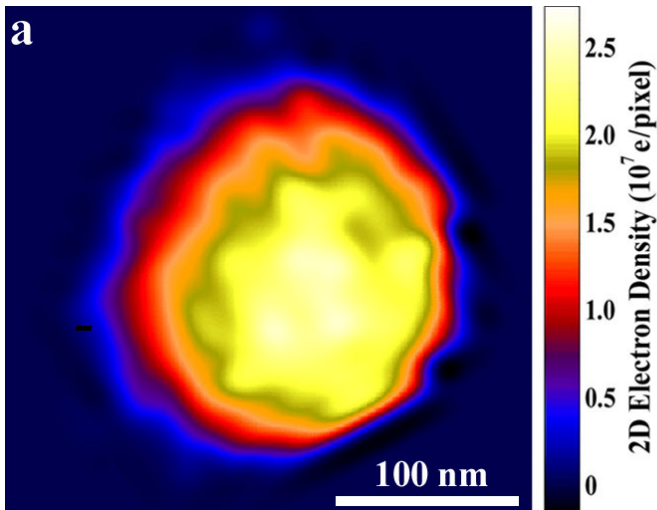
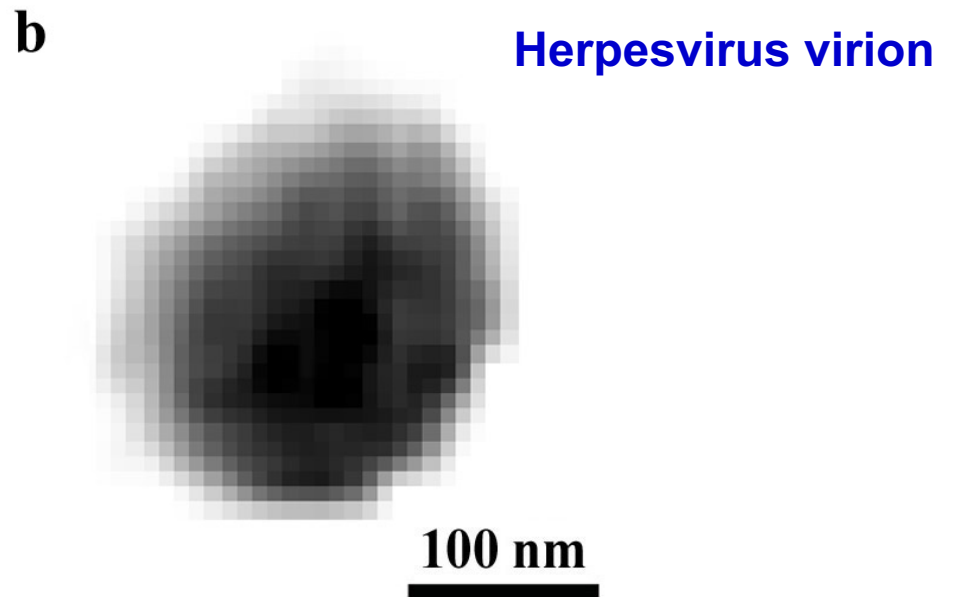
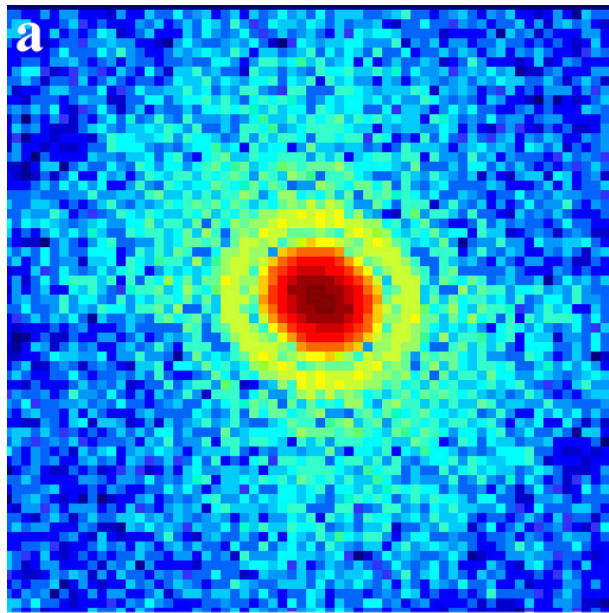


This represents the first experimental observation of irreversible melting.

Future plans: Improve the spatial resolution to the nanometer scale and the temporal resolution to femtoseconds.

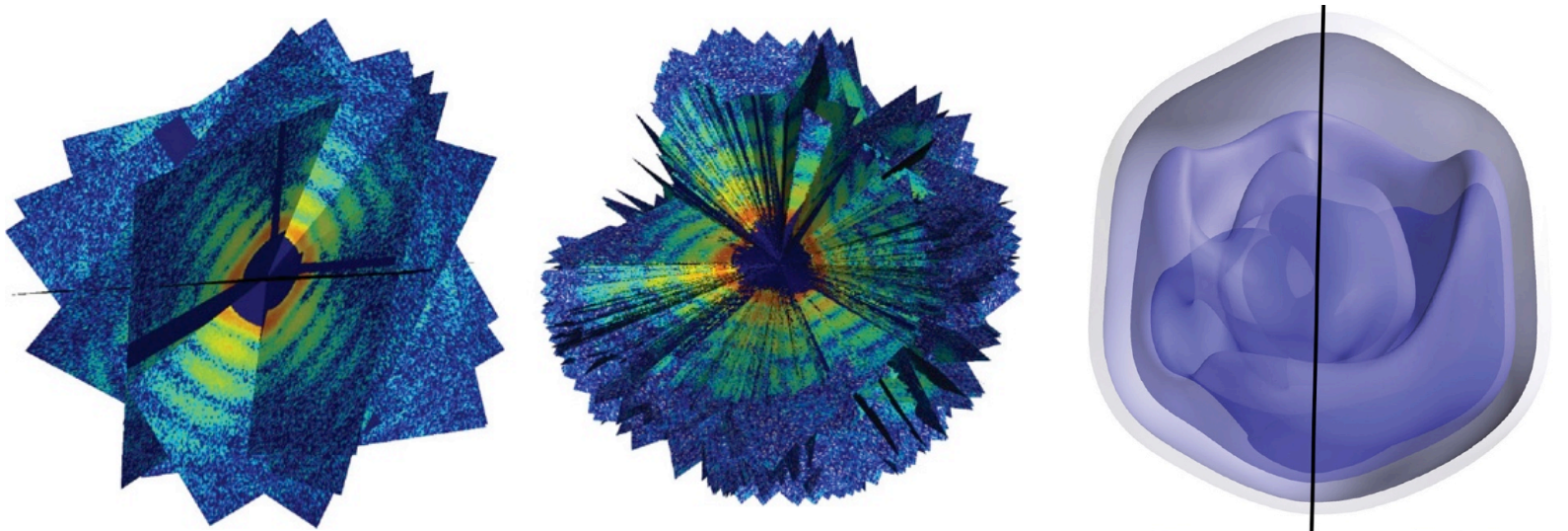
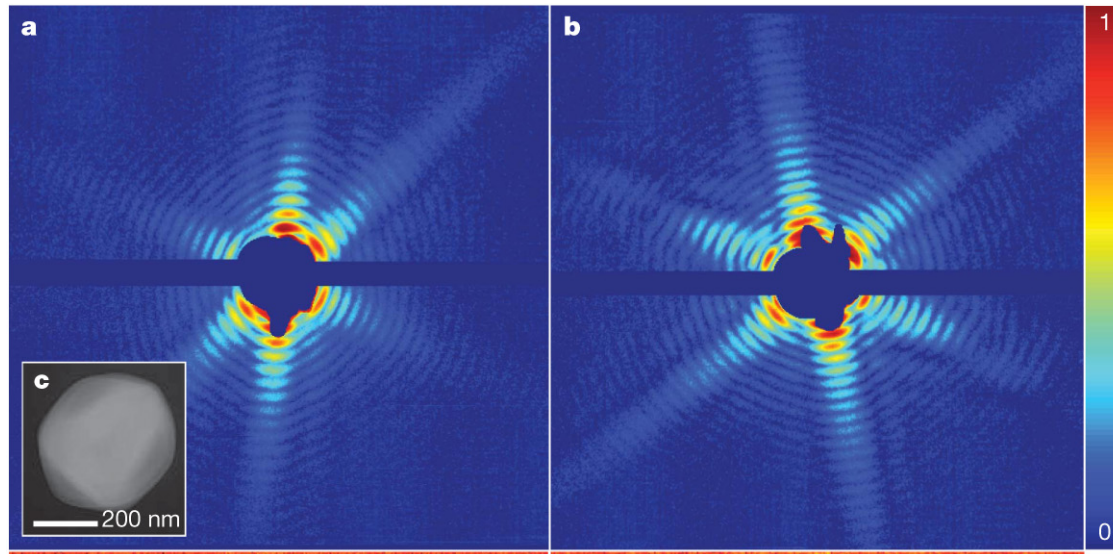
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# First Diffractive Imaging of a Single, Unstained Virion



Song *et al.*, *PRL* **101**, 158101 (2008).

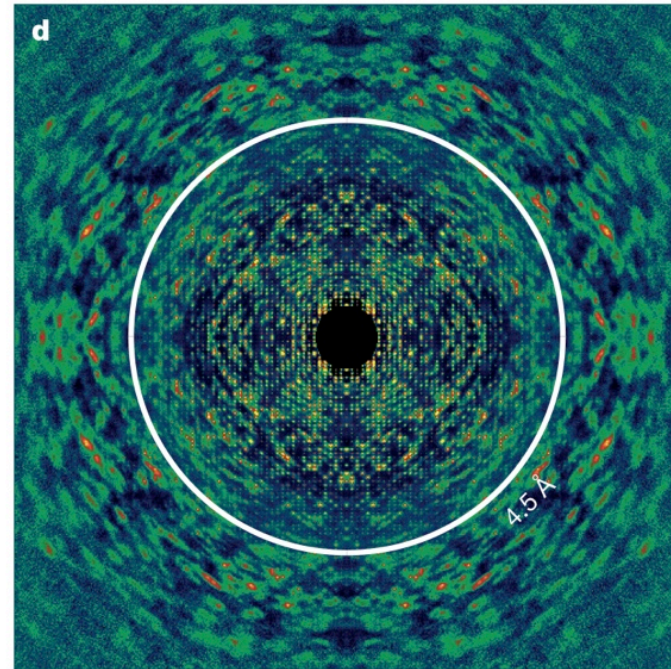
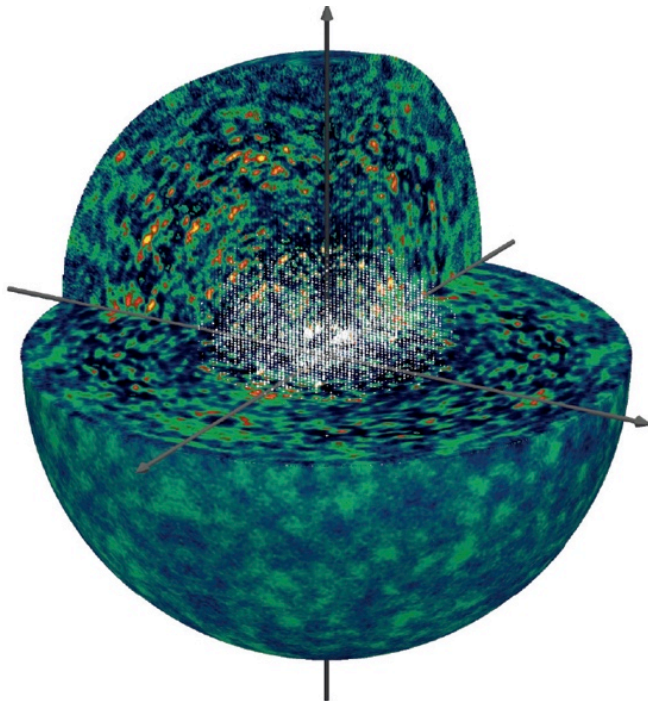
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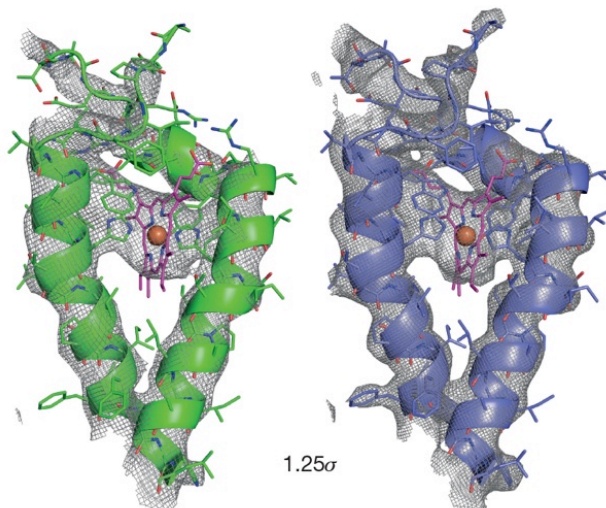
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# Macromolecular Diffractive Imaging with the XFEL



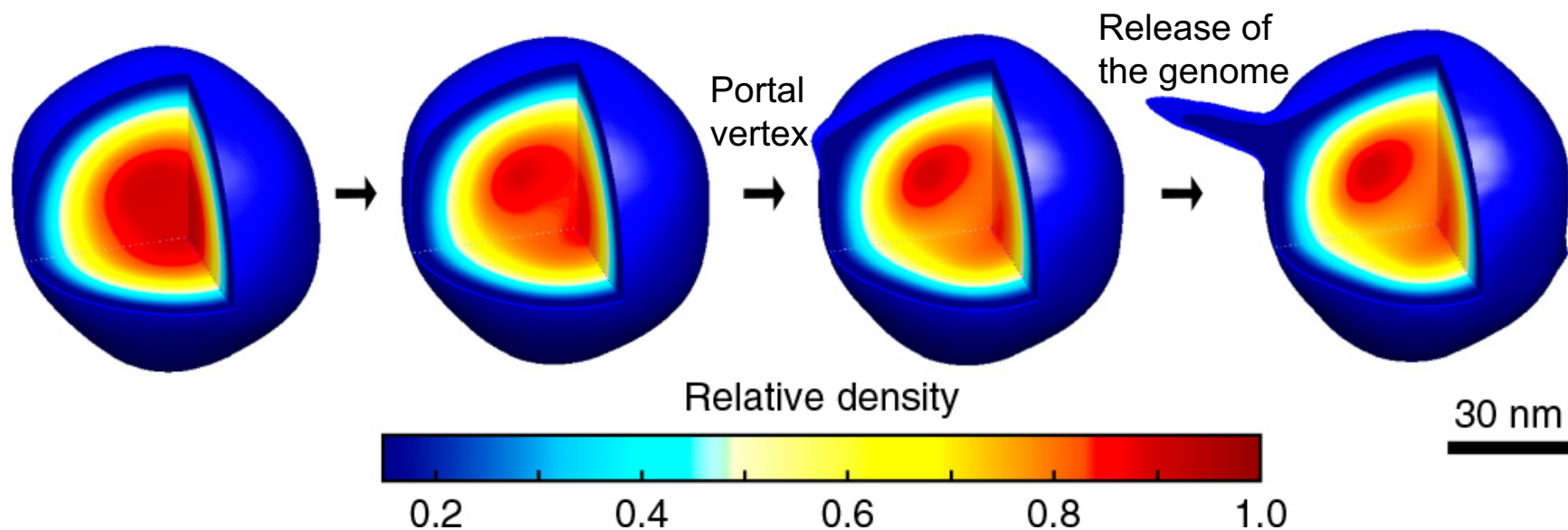
Continuous molecular diffraction pattern from imperfect crystals of photosystem II



Electron density maps of the haem group of PsbE/F using the Bragg diffraction (in green) and the Bragg and continuous diffraction (in blue).

Ayyer *et al.* *Nature* **530**, 202-206 (2016).

# Capturing Conformational Changes in PR772 Viruses



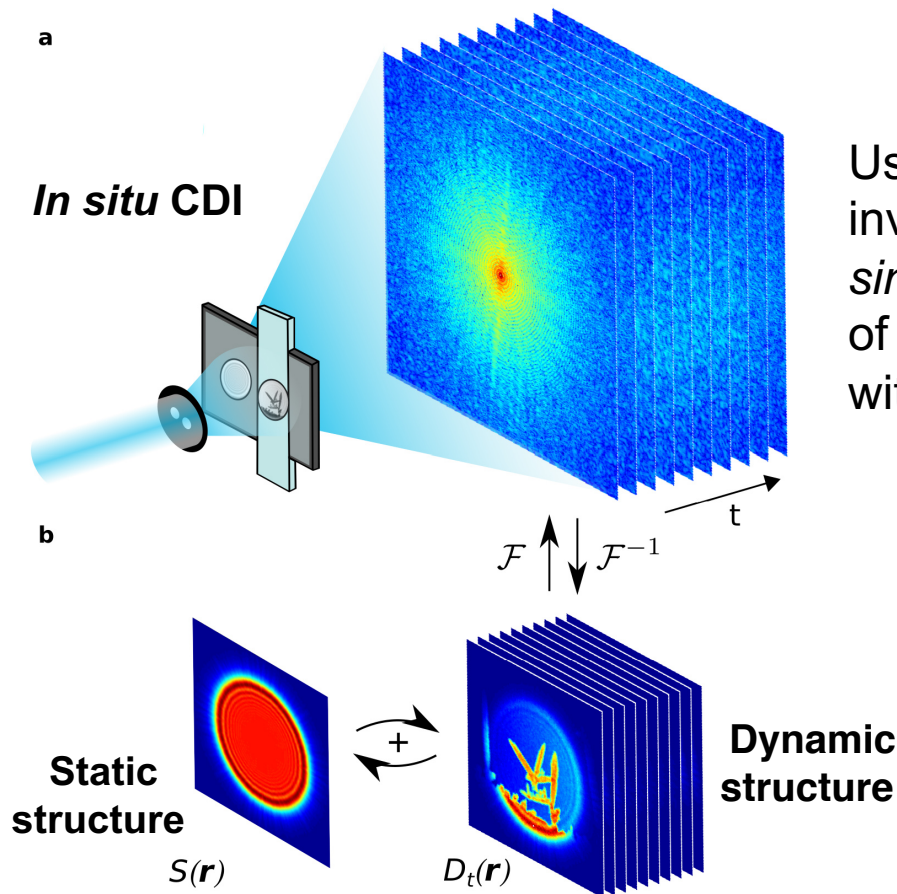
- 37,550 single-particle diffraction patterns
- 3D resolution: ~ 9 nm

Hosseinizadeh *et al.*, *Nat. Methods*  
14, 877–881 (2017)

- XFELs with higher photon flux per pulse
- Larger dynamic range detectors with single photon counting
- Dedicated sample preparation
- Advanced algorithms
- Complementary to cryo-EM

# *In Situ* CDI for Imaging Dynamic Systems

- Ptychography uses partially overlapping regions in the space domain as a constraint.
- *In situ* CDI uses partially overlapping regions in the time domain as a constraint.



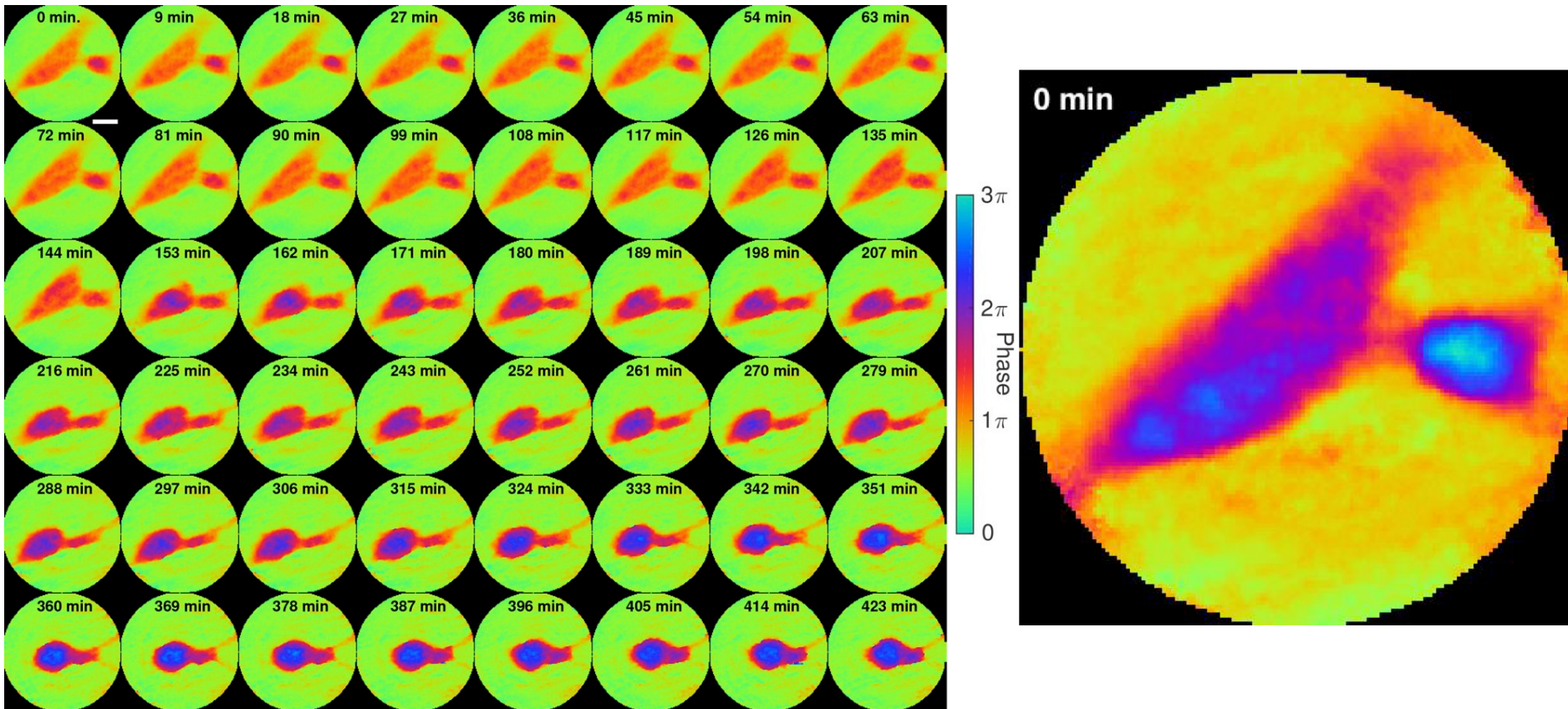
Using a static region as a powerful time-invariant constraint, *in situ* CDI can *simultaneously* reconstruct a time series of complex exit waves of dynamic systems with rapid convergence.

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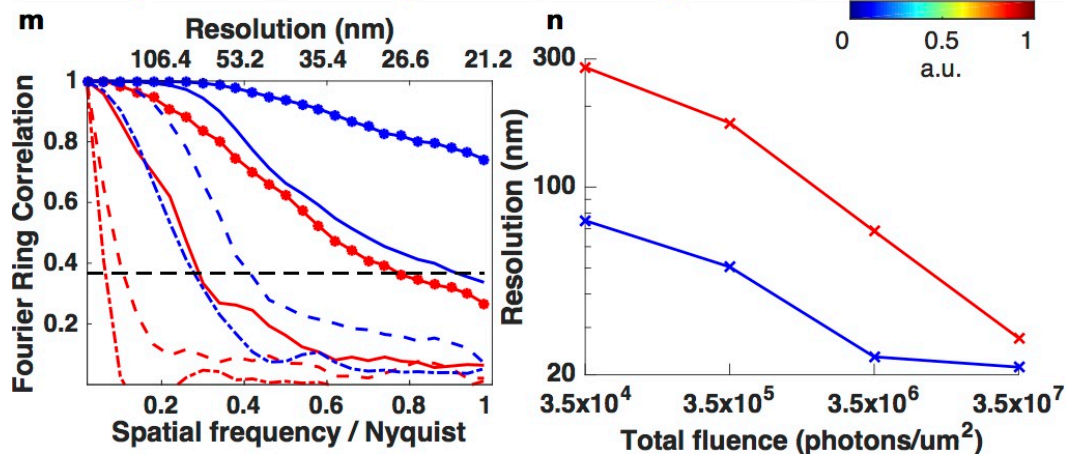
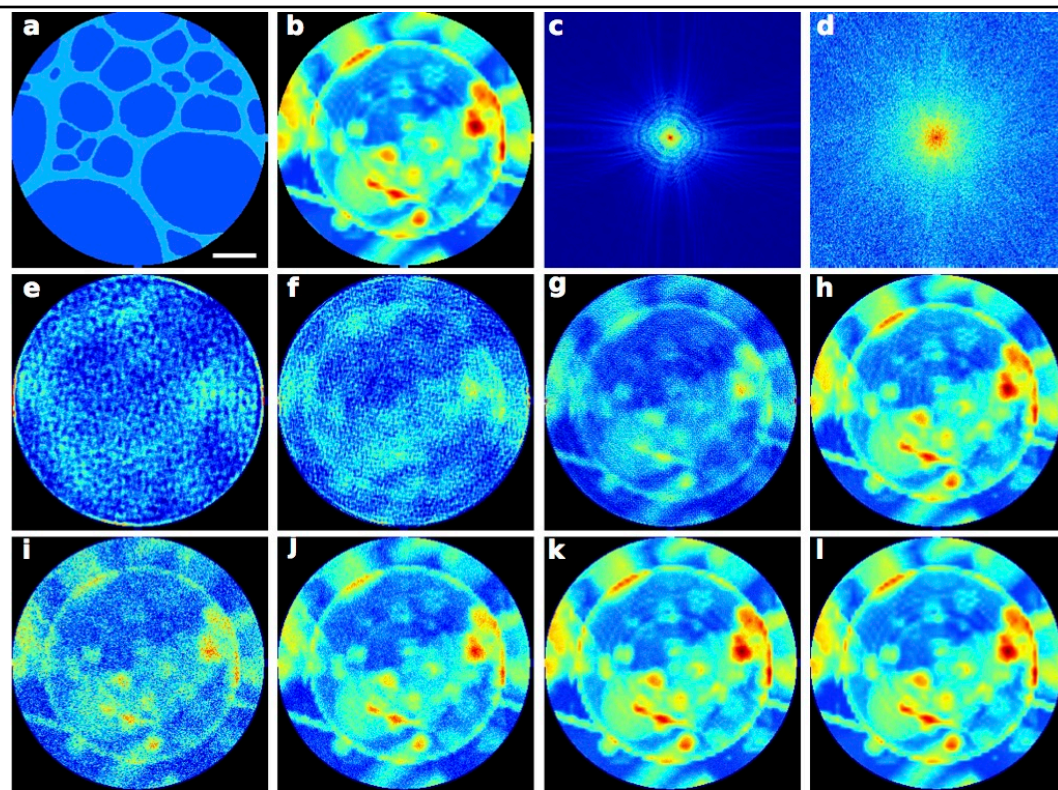
# Proof-of-Principle Experiment on *In Situ* CDI of Live Cells

## Phase images of the fusion of live cancer (glioblastoma) cells in culture medium



The experiment was conducted with an optical laser.

# Numerical Simulations on Significant Dose Reduction Using *in situ* CDI

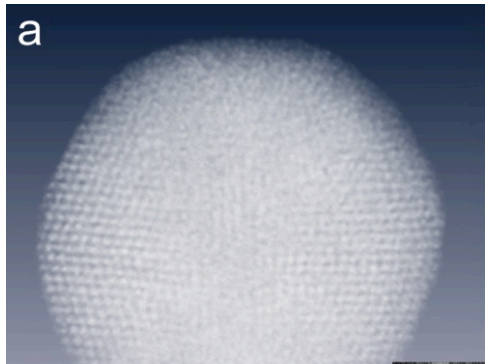


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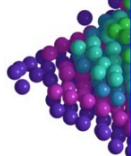
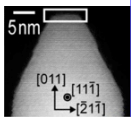
# My Perspectives on Advanced Imaging with X-rays and Electrons

First experimental demonstration of AET (without assuming crystallinity)



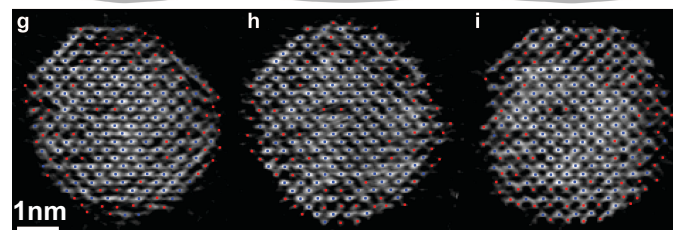
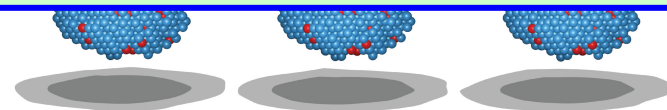
## Comparison between X-ray and electron imaging:

- Electron imaging can achieve higher spatial resolution.
- Advanced X-ray imaging can reach high temporal resolution.
- X-rays have higher brilliance than electrons; seeded XFELs will be more impactful.
- Detectors, algorithms and big data are important for both imaging modalities.



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## Summary

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- Since the first experimental demonstration in 1999, CDI methods have been applied to image a wide range of samples in the physical and biological sciences.
- The combination of CDI and XFELs and HHG sources opens the door to probe the dynamics of materials with the nm spatial resolution and ps temporal resolution.
- We propose attoCDI for potential imaging of matter at the space-time limit, allowing the reconstruction of spectra, structures and illumination probes at different wavelengths.
- The ultimate goal of CDI is to image non-crystalline samples (such as single macromolecules) at near atomic resolution and on the femtosecond/attosecond time scales.
- With more brilliant X-ray sources such as XFELs, advanced synchrotron radiation, HHG and coherent electron sources, CDI in the next decade will be surely more exciting than the past one.

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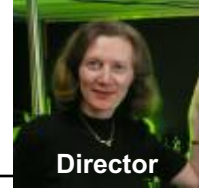
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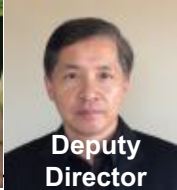
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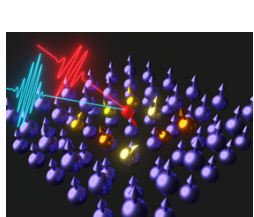
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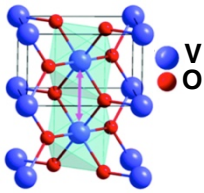
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**STROBE:** Advance and integrate dynamic imaging techniques using electron, X-ray and nano-probe microscopy to collectively tackle major scientific and technological challenges

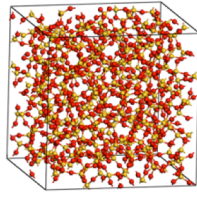
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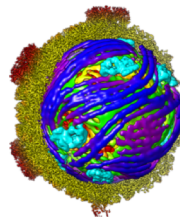
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Quantum materials



Disordered materials

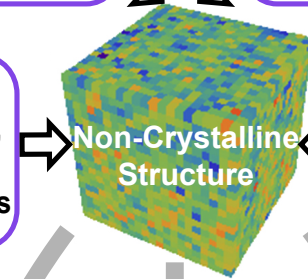


Biological materials

Capturing and monitoring individual atoms in 3D

Routine 3D atomic resolution structure of biological complexes

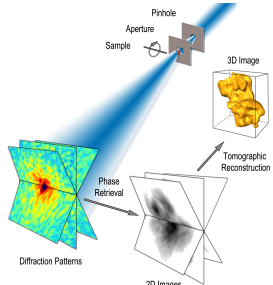
Functional 3D imaging of energy, magnetic and spintronic materials



Non-Crystalline Structure

Imaging various forms of energy flow and fields across interfaces

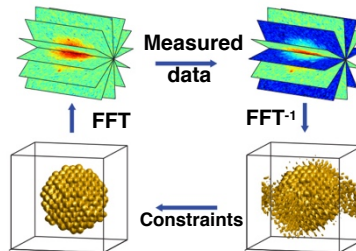
**Advance and integrate dynamic imaging techniques**



Techniques



Detectors, Big Data



Advanced Algorithms

