

SMALL ANGLE SCATTERING FOR THE CHARACTERIZATION OF NANOSTRUCTURED (BIO-) MATERIALS

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Layout of Presentation

- What is S(W)AXS?
- How do we do S(W)AXS?

Applications:

- Solution Scattering
- Model membranes
- Grazing Incidence Studies
- Hierarchical Materials

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SAXS and WAXS

X-rays



Andre Guinier

Otto Kratky

The pioneers of Small Angle Scattering

DETECTOR

Beam
Stop

SAXS

WAXS

SAXS and WAXS

Small - Angle : Supramolecular Envelope

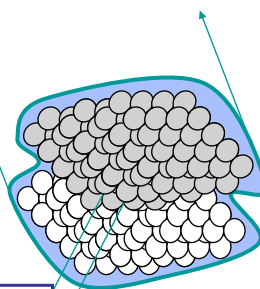
Bragg's law:

$$\sin \theta/2 = \lambda / 2d$$

small θ large d

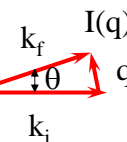
For CuK_α 0.154 nm (8 keV)

20 deg	0.5 nm
0.9 deg	10 nm
0.09 deg	100 nm

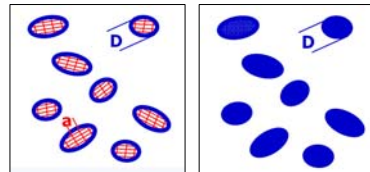
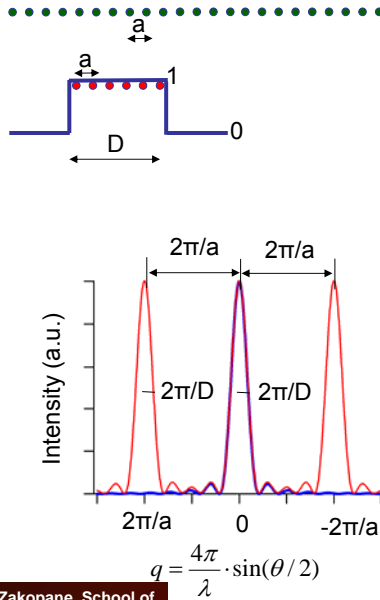


X-ray

Molecular Lattice



SAXS and WAXS



SAXS:
peak width (+ shape) → particle size

WAXS:
positions → lattice (type, spacings, strain)
width + shape → particle size
+ lattice strain fluctuations

Courtesy of B. Aichmayer

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How do we do the experiments?

Laboratory

Synchrotron



Time resolution 200 s – 30 min
Spatial resolution 60 μm- 200 μm
Sample environment limited
Availability 40 weeks/year

11 μs - 100 s
0.1 μm – 1 μm
almost no limit
2 – 4 weeks/year


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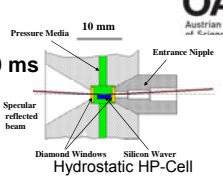
Sample Environment

Temperature
-195 °C – 300 °C
20 °C / 2 ms



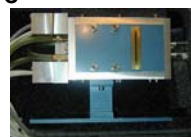
Peltier Moduls /
Oxford Cryostream

Pressure
0 - 3 Kbar
3000 bar/ 10 ms




Pressure Media 10 mm
Entrance Nipple
Specular reflected beam
Diamond Windows Silicon Wafer
Hydrostatic HP-Cell

Heat capacity
10 °C – 150 °C
°C/min




DSC Microcalix

More information is found



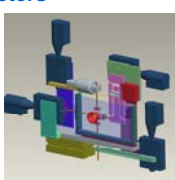
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Chemical Potential
50 ms / 70 μs



Biologic SFM-4

μ Parameters extension



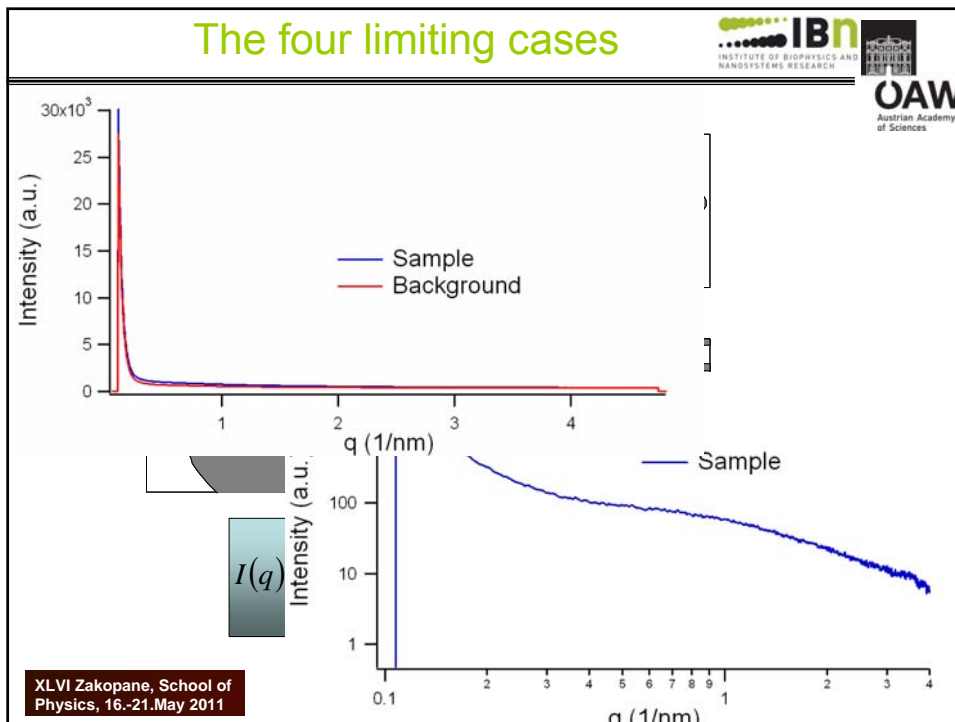
Biaxial Device

User: IR-Spectroscopy, UV-vis, Elipsometer

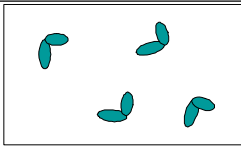
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Dilute Monodisperse Systems



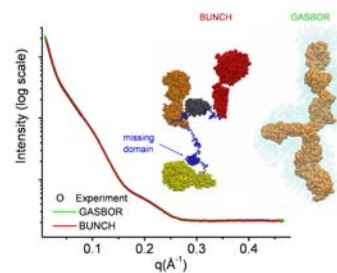
Examples:

- Protein solutions
- Polymer solutions
- Nanoparticles

Parameters

- Radius of Gyration
- Particle weight
- Particle Volume

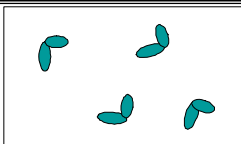
Particle Shape



GASBOR, DAMMIN(F), Svergun D.I. et al.

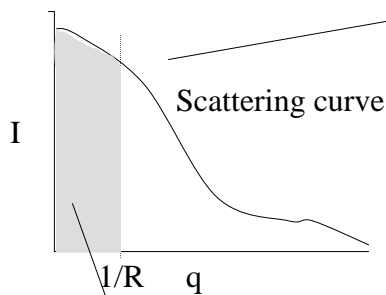
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Guinier's Law



Radius of Gyration

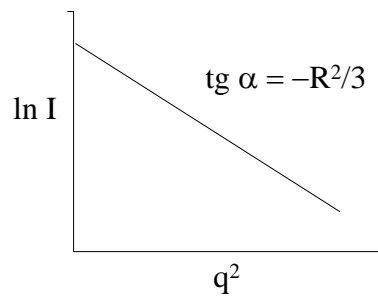
$$I(q) = I(0) \cdot e^{-R^2 q^2 / 3}$$



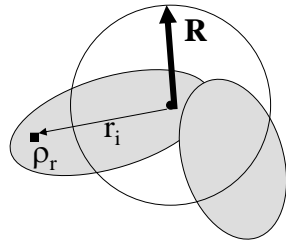
Guinier Range:

Limited to $q < 1/R$!

Guinier Plot



Guinier's Law



Radius of Gyration

$$R^2 = \frac{\int r^2 (\Delta\rho_r) d^3r}{\int \Delta\rho_r d^3r}$$

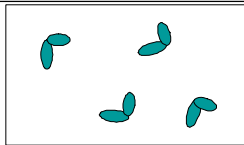
Ellipsoid with semiaxes a,b,c:

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{5}}$$

Sphere with radius r:

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} \cdot r = 0.77 \cdot r$$

Real Space Function

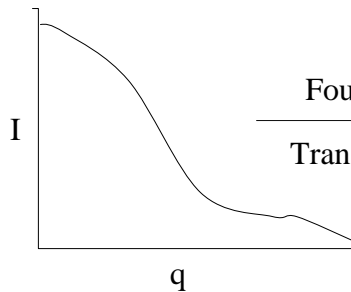


$$I(q) = |A(q)|^2 = V \cdot \int p(r) \cdot e^{-iqr} d^3r$$

Scattering Space Function

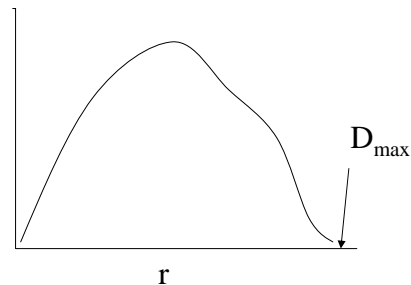
Real Space Function

$$p(r) = \frac{1}{V} \int \rho(r_0) \rho(r_0 + r) d^3r_0$$



Scattering curve

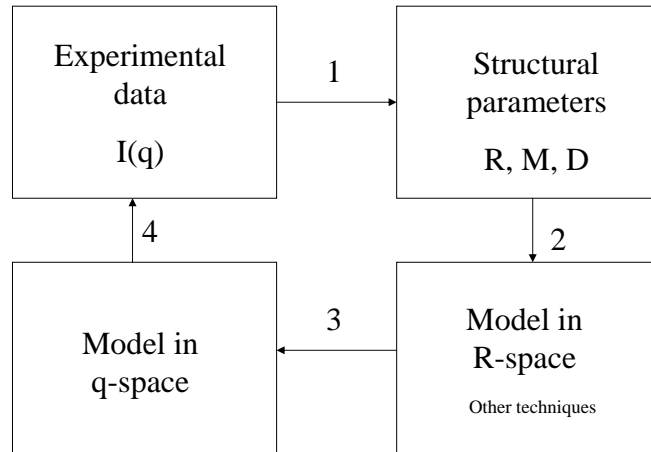
Fourier
Transform



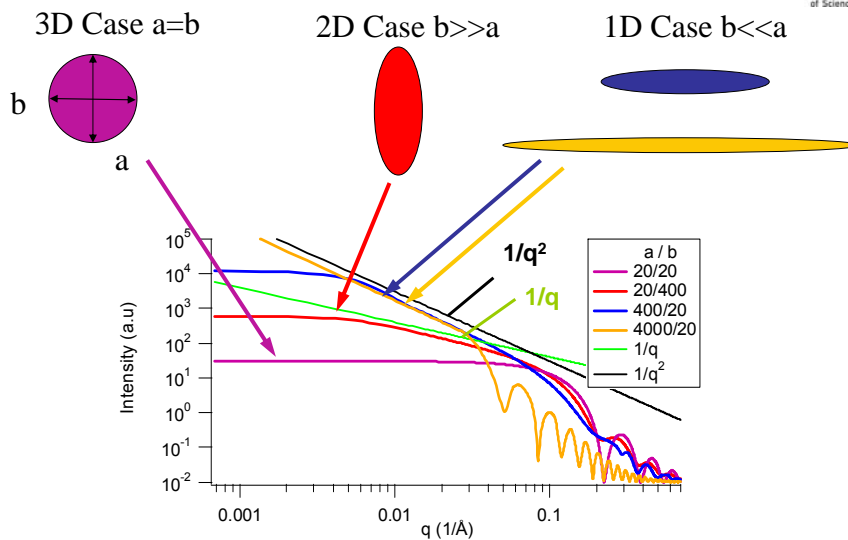
Electron Pair Distance

How Do You Obtain Information?

General strategy for solving structural problems with SAXS



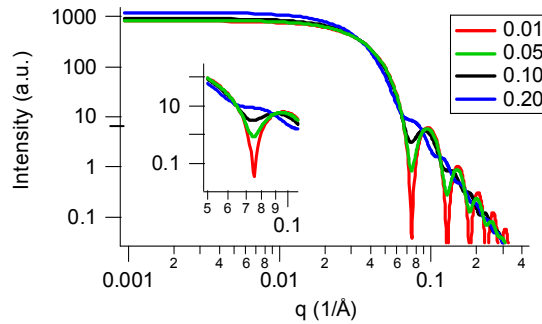
Globular and Non-Globular Particals



Size Distributions

$$I(q) = \int D_n(R) \cdot R^n \cdot i_0(qR) \cdot dq$$

$i_0(x)$ Formfactor
 $n=6$: D_6 number distribution
 $n=3$: D_3 volume distribution
 $n=0$: D_0 intensity distribution



Scattered Intensity

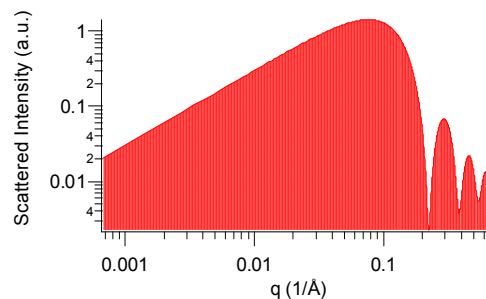
Scatter Probability

$$\Sigma \cdot D_s \propto \int I(q) \cdot q \cdot dq \propto p \cdot \Delta\rho^2 \cdot l_c$$

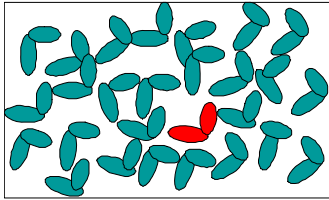
Makroscopic Cross Section
 D_s Sample Thickness

p Volume Fraction
 $\Delta\rho$ Electron Density Contrast
 l_c Correlation Length
 R Radius

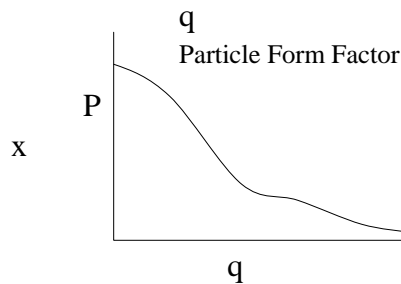
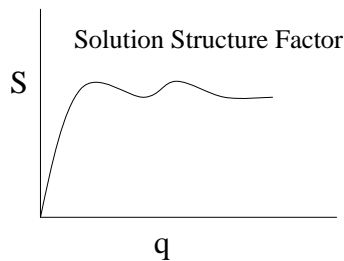
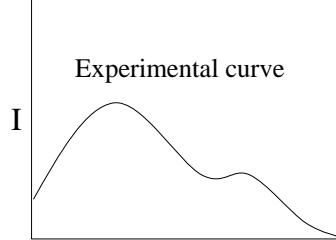
Sphere: 20 \AA , $l_c = 3/2 R$



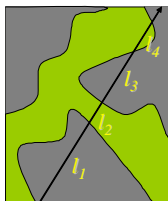
Interacting system



Dense particles



Random 2-phase System



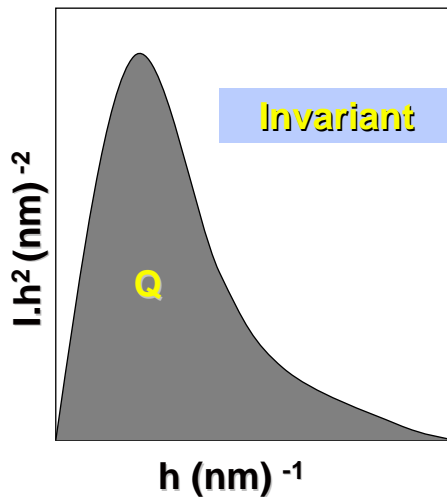
Random porous/2-phase System

The "Invariant" Q:
$$Q = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty I(q)q^2 dq = V \langle \Delta\rho^2 \rangle$$

The integral scattering, the *Invariant*, is equal to the total irradiated volume times the mean-square electron density fluctuation – independent of domain shape.

(Debye, Bueche)

Invariant



**Q has the
dimension of
a reciprocal
volume**

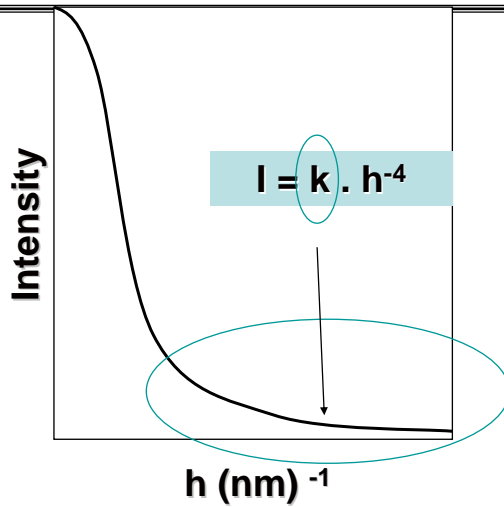
Invariant

In the case of a two-phase system (e.g. crystalline/
amorphous polymer), the invariant is related to the
volume fractions ϕ , and the electron densities ρ_c and ρ_a

$$Q = V(\rho_c - \rho_a)^2 \cdot \phi_a \phi_c$$

**total irradiated
volume**

Porods Law



Towards larger angles, the intensity decays with the fourth power of the angle (Porod's law)

Porods Law

The decay constant k from a two-phase system is given by

$$k = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} h^4 \cdot I(h) = 2\pi \cdot S \cdot (\rho_c - \rho_a)^2$$

K depends on the total inner surface and the mean-square electron density fluctuations

How Do You Use It?

Combining *Invariant Q* and *Tail-End Constant k*,
obtained from one single measurement

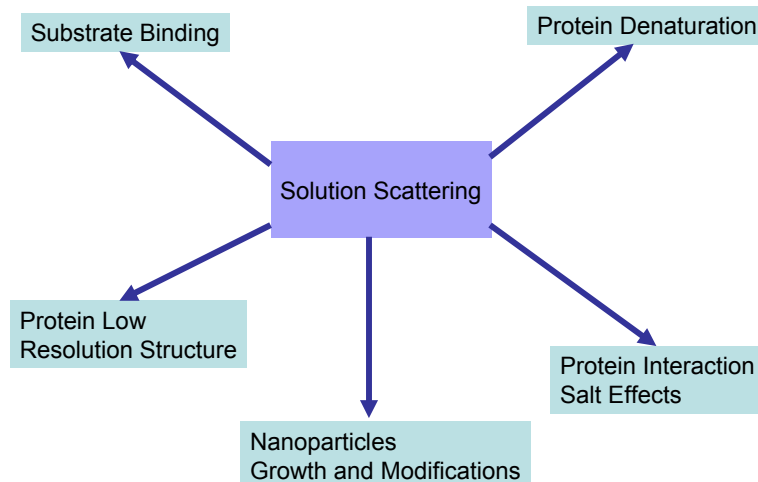
$$\frac{k}{Q} = \frac{2\pi \cdot S_i}{\phi(1-\phi)}$$

if ϕ is around 0.5, the value of S_i is not very sensitive
to variations in ϕ .

Combining Scattered Intensity and *Invariant Q*

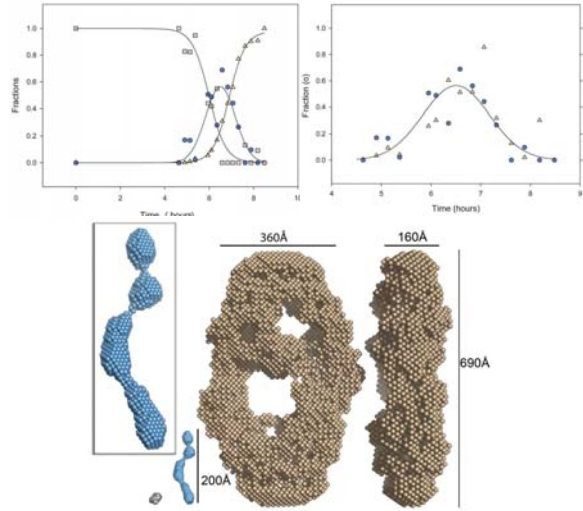
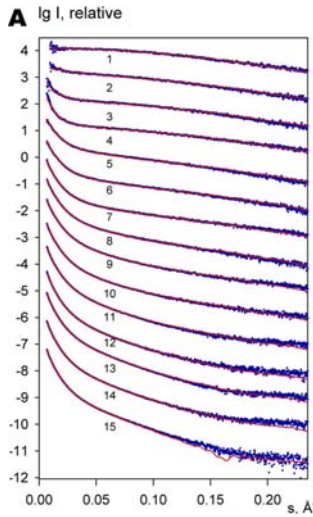
$$\frac{\Sigma \cdot D_s}{Q} = \frac{\int dq \cdot q \cdot I(q)}{\int dq \cdot q^2 \cdot I(q)} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot l_c$$

Solution Scattering



Insulin Amyloid Fibrils

5 mg/ml in 20% acetic acid with 0.5 M NaCl

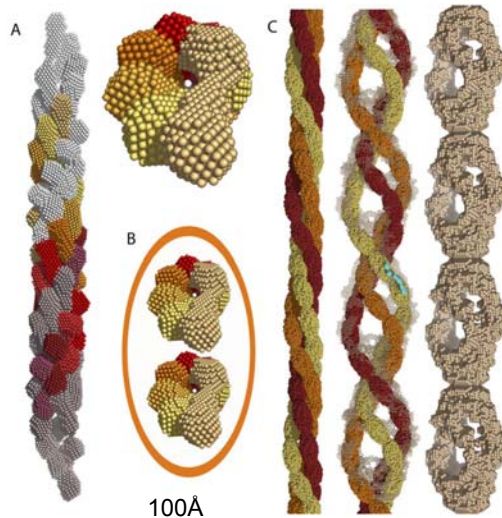


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Insulin Amyloid Fibrils



A 8 helical oligomers
=> **protofilament**

B 2 protofilaments
=> **protofibril**

C 3 protofibrils
=> **Insuline amyloid fibril**

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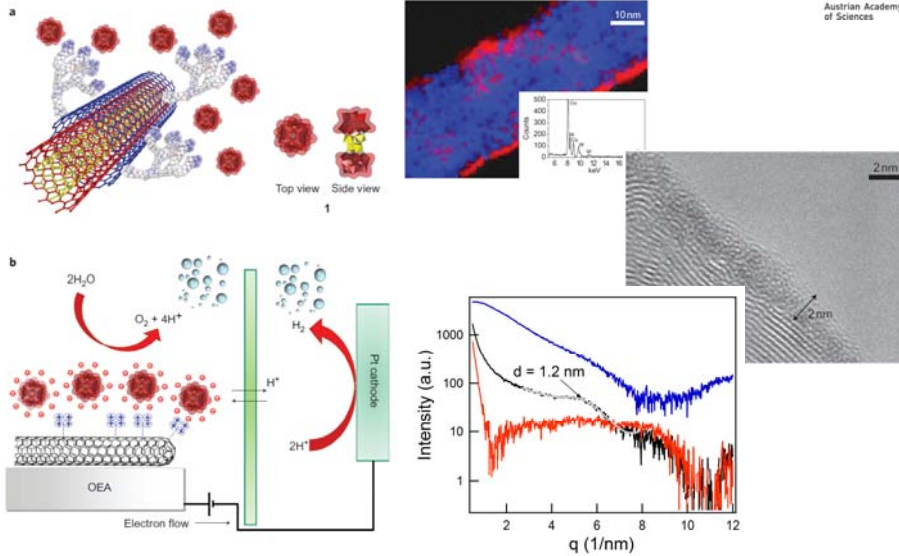
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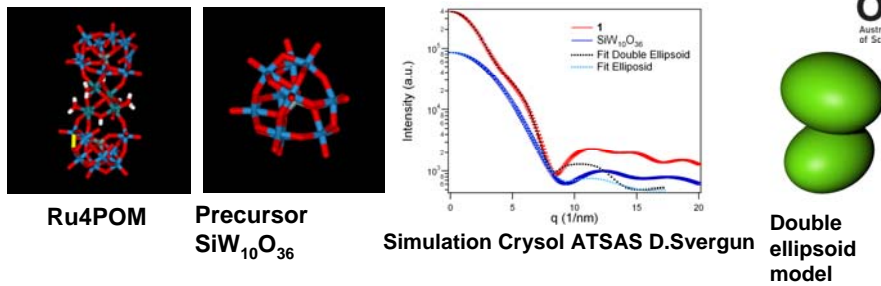


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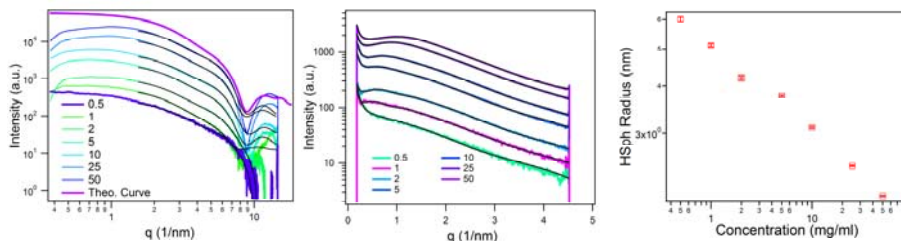


Ru4POM

Precursor
SiW₁₀O₃₆

Simulation Crysol ATSAS D.Svergun

Double
ellipsoid
model

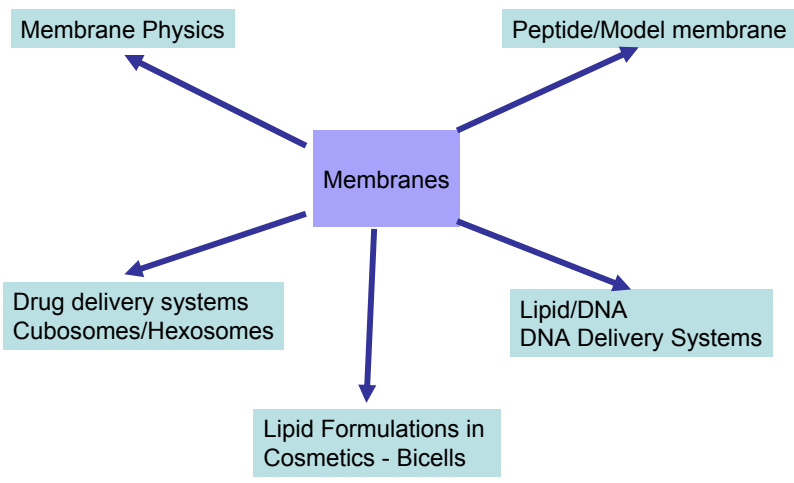


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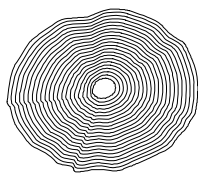
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Membranes

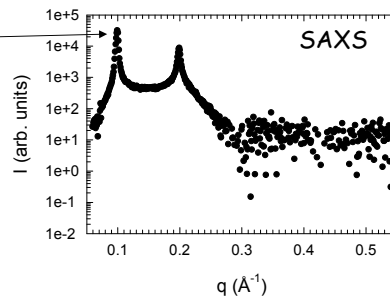


Scattering from Multilamellar Vesicles

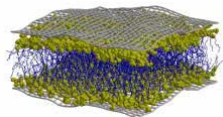


multilamellar vesicle = 1d crystal
(consists of a stack of bilayers)

peaks from intraparticle correlations



The problem: peaks + diffuse scattering



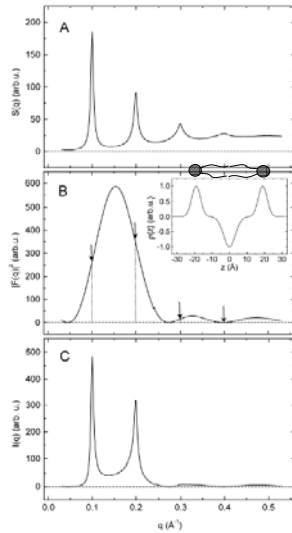
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What we would like to know:

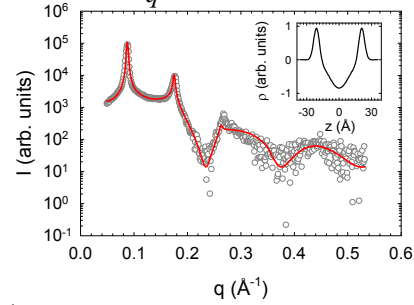
- structure:
- membrane thickness
 - water layer thickness
 - lateral area per lipid

- mechanical properties:
- flexibility (bending rigidity)

The Global Model



$$I(q) = \frac{S(q)|F(q)|^2}{q^2}$$



structure:

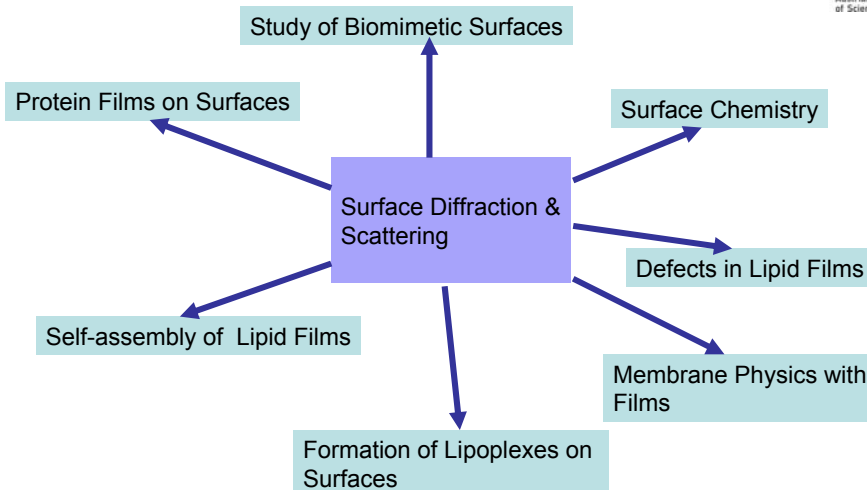
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Surface Diffraction & Scattering

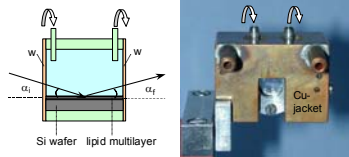


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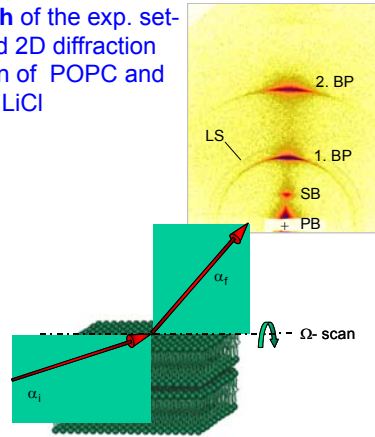
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Surface Chemistry

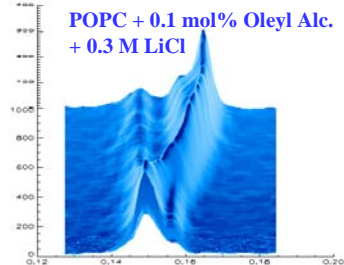
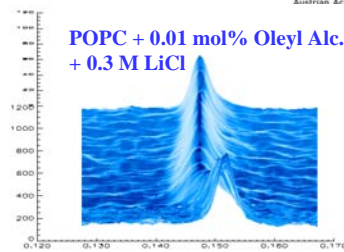
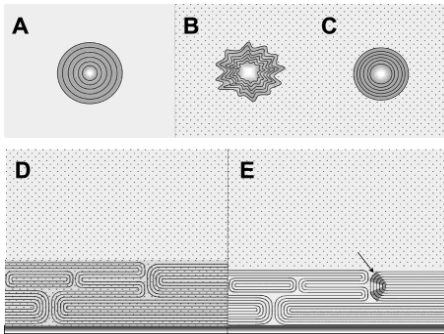
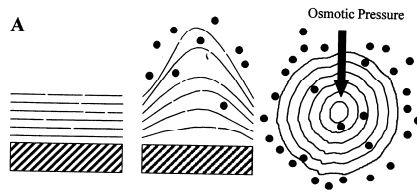


Sketch and photograph of the sample cell in transmission geometry for GISAXS.

Sketch of the exp. set-up and 2D diffraction pattern of POPC and 0.5 M LiCl



Surface Chemistry

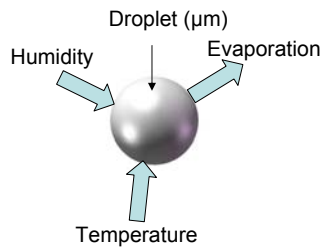


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In situ aerosol synthesis

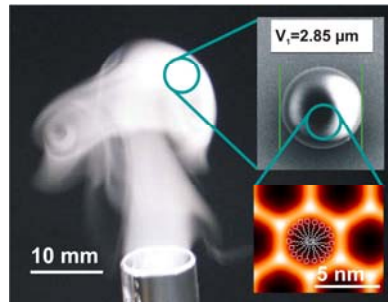
Scientific case

Aerosol-Microreactor



Mesostructured Si produced by Evaporation Induced Self Assembly (EISA)*

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CTAB:TEOS:H₂O:HCl
molar ratio - 0.14:1:41:0.13

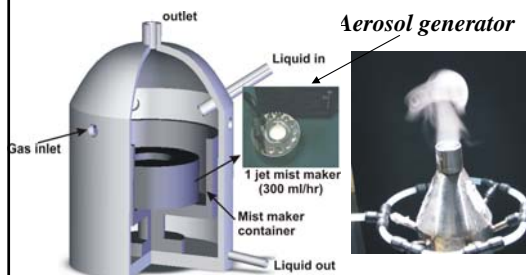
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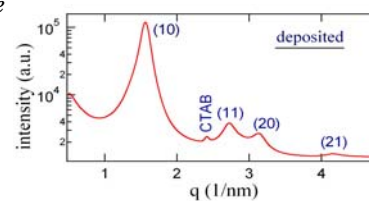
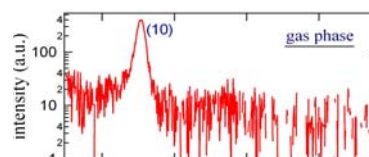
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Gas phase study of Silica Self Assembly

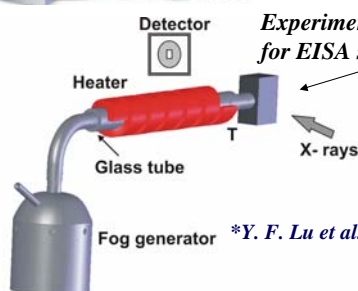
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Experimental scheme for EISA studies



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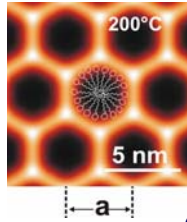
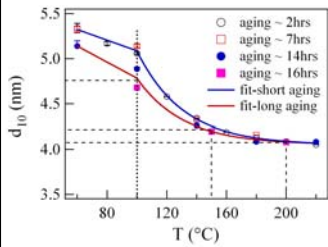
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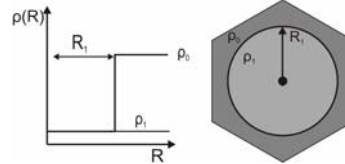
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Electron density map & model fitting

electron density maps of (- + -) phase from (10), (11), (20) & (21) integrated intensities



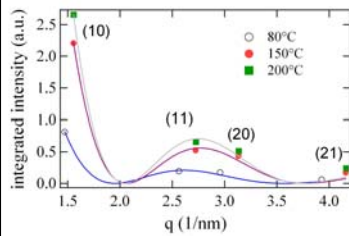
The two density regime model



ρ_0 - silica matrix
 ρ_1 - inner core

$$I(q) = k \left[\frac{2J_1(qR_1)}{(qR_1)} \right]^2$$

model fit using the two density regime model



R_1 - radius of the core, a - cell parameter
& Silica matrix thickness = $(a - 2R_1)$

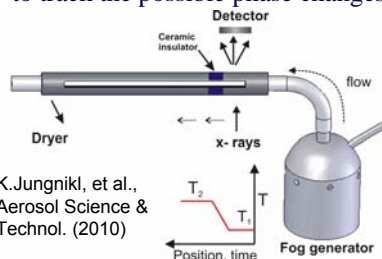
T (°C)	R_1 (nm)	a (nm)	Silica matrix(nm)
80	1.964±0.041	4.933±0.001	1.005 ±0.043
150	1.857±0.035	4.666±0.001	0.9516±0.037
200	1.868±0.037	4.664±0.001	0.9282±0.039

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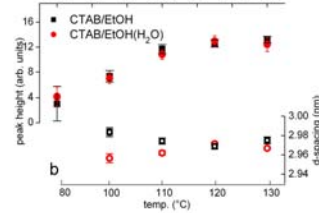
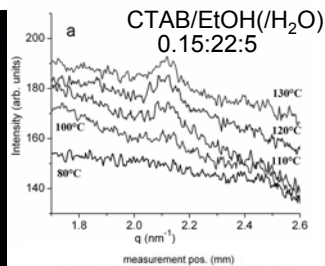
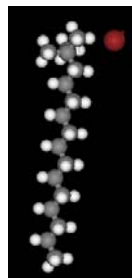
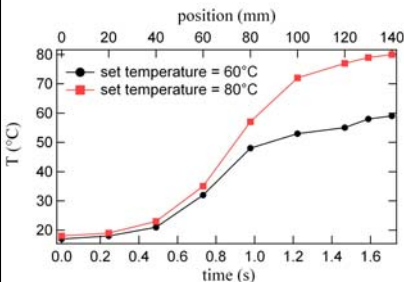
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In situ analysis of Si mesophase formation

- Temperature profile inside the dryer is adjusted to track the possible phase changes of silica
- Test of Set-up Crystallization of CTAB



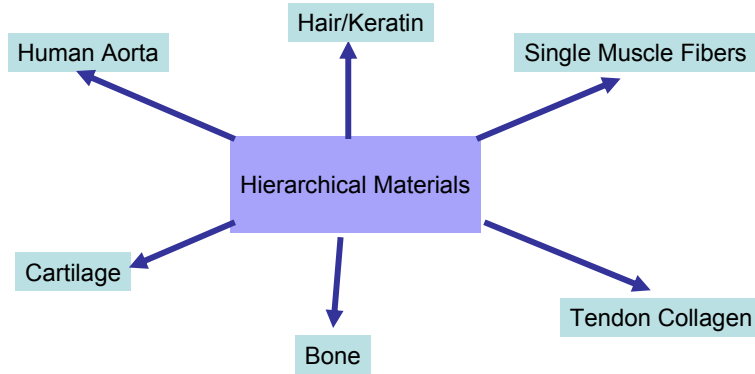
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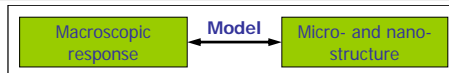
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Hierarchical Materials

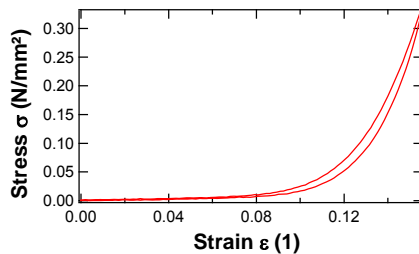


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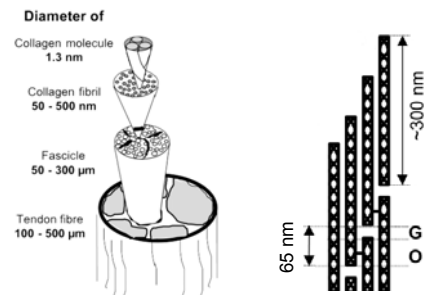


- geometric deformation
- stress
- strain

- fiber – matrix composite
- fiber alignment
- fiber strain

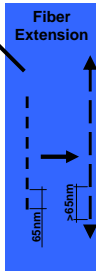
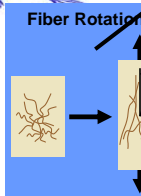
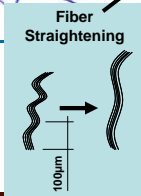
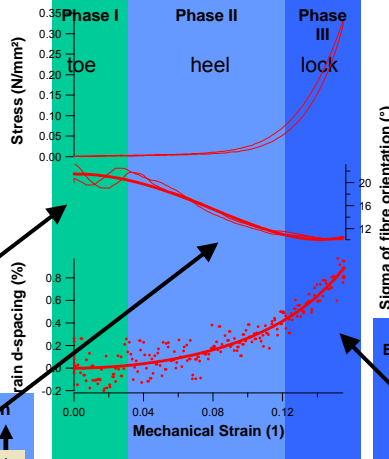
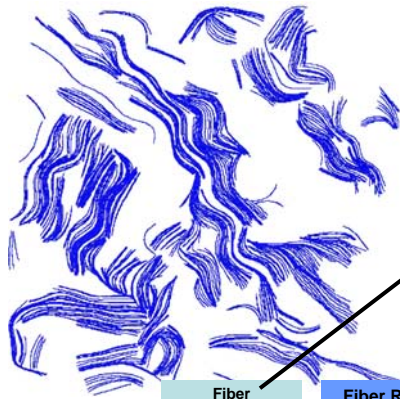


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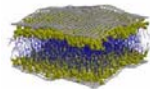
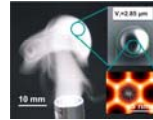
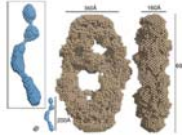
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Conclusion & Outlook

Conclusion

- SAXS:
 - What is S(W)AXS?
 - How do we do S(W)AXS?
 Applications:
 -Solution Scattering
 -Model membranes
 -Grazing Incidence Studies
 -Hierarchical Materials

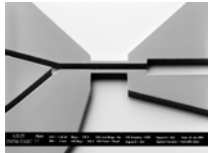


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Cross section of a human artery

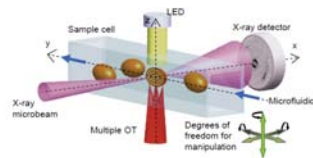
Outlook

μFluidics



Channels 20 x 50 μm

Optical Tweezer



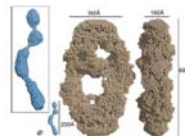
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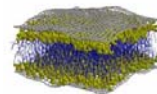
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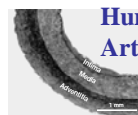
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