

**What to do?**  
...or how to do better

**Coherent Amplification**

$$I_{tot} = I_R + I_S + 2\sqrt{I_R I_S} \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{\lambda}(z_R - z_S)\right)$$

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Lightsource

$I_R$

$I_S$

Detector

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**What to do?**  
***F*ourier *D*omain *O*ptical *C*oherence *T*omography**

**Broadband Lightsource**

**Fourier transform**  
**From**  
 **$x,y,k$  to  $x,y,z$**

$K = 2\pi/\lambda$

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**spectrometer**

**$I_R$**

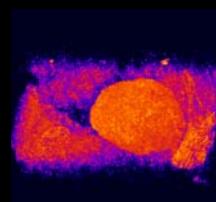
**$I_S$**

- Only x,y scan  
..and z for free  
encoded depth profile
- high sensitivity >100dB
- in-vivo 3D
- high resolution ~ 5 – 8  $\mu$ m
- high penetration depth

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Let's do... *Functional imaging...and FDOCT*

 Langerhans' Islets Wild mouse

- **Molecular contrast**  
fluorescence
- **2D imaging**  
3D needs z-stacking
- **low penetration depth**
- **high resolution** ~ < 1 $\mu$ m

- **label free imaging contrast**  
refraction index > intrinsic sample property
- **high sensitivity**  
> 100 dB
- **Parallel depth probing**  
high speed 3D, time lapse imaging
- **Availability of phase information**  
functional imaging
- **Isotropic resolution (ca. 5  $\mu$ m)**  
3D-microstructure of biological samples

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# Functional Imaging – Doppler flow

**FDOCT & microscopy**  
*a combination....??*

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+ coherent amplification  
*sample signal*  $S_{OCT} \propto \sqrt{I_{ref} I_{sample}}$   
*high contrast images*

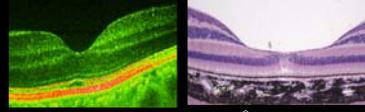
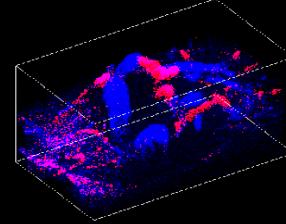
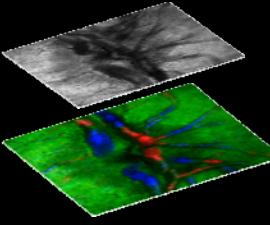
+ availability of phase information  
 -> phase contrast schemes  
 -> functional imaging (nm resolution)

+ optical sectioning > coherence gating along optical axis (broad band source)

+ imaging speed of FD OCT methods  
 -> high temporal resolution (30µs)  
 accessing physiological processes

+ direct access to depth resolved spectral sample properties  
*(molecular contrast OCT, diff spectroscopic OCT,...)*

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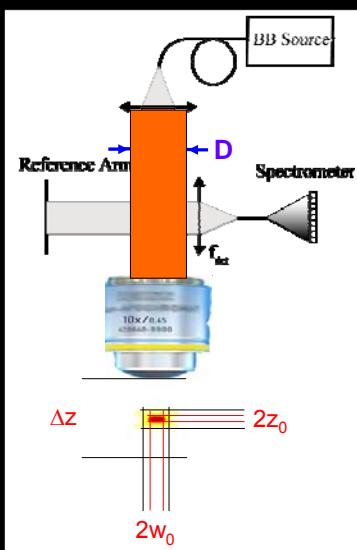
*...but what about resolution lateral and axial*

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**OCM**  
*an obvious contradiction...?*

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-Focus light on sample

-Effective Numerical Aperture:  $NA = \frac{D}{2f}$

-Waist:  $w_0 = \frac{\lambda}{\pi NA}$

-Rayleigh-Range:  $z_0 = \frac{\lambda}{\pi NA^2}$

-Depth of Field:  $DOF = 2z_0$

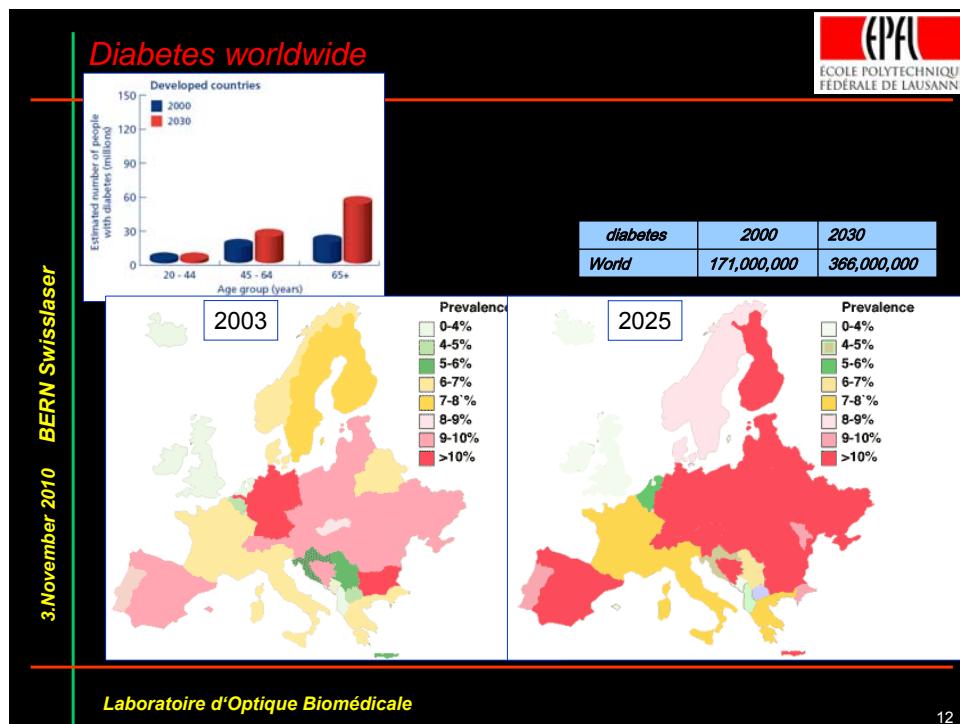
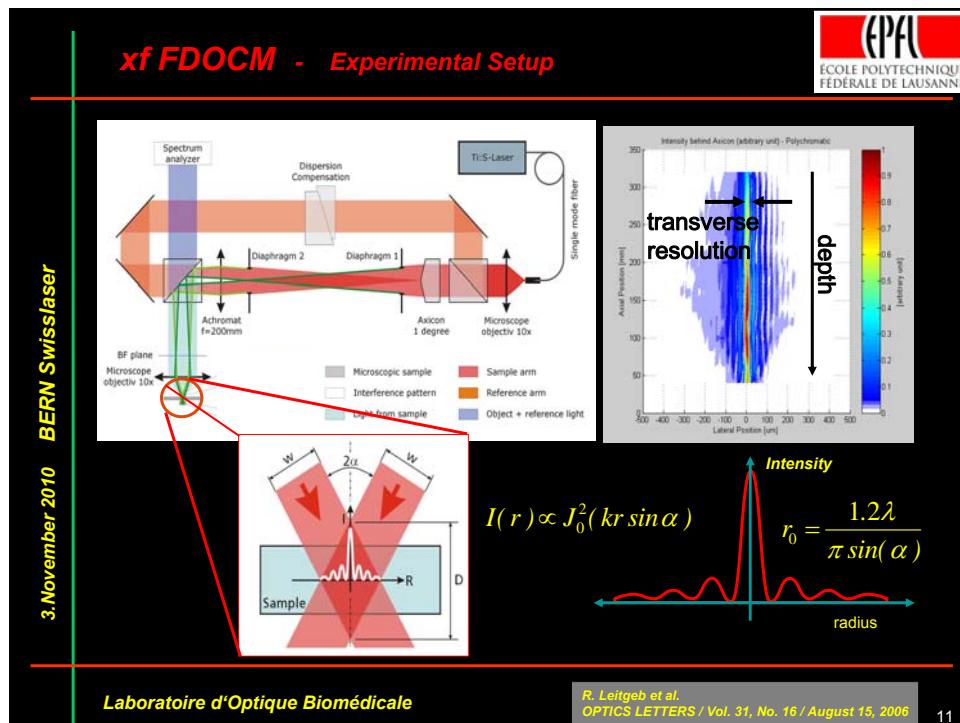
-Lateral resolution and Depth of Field (DOF) depend both on NA

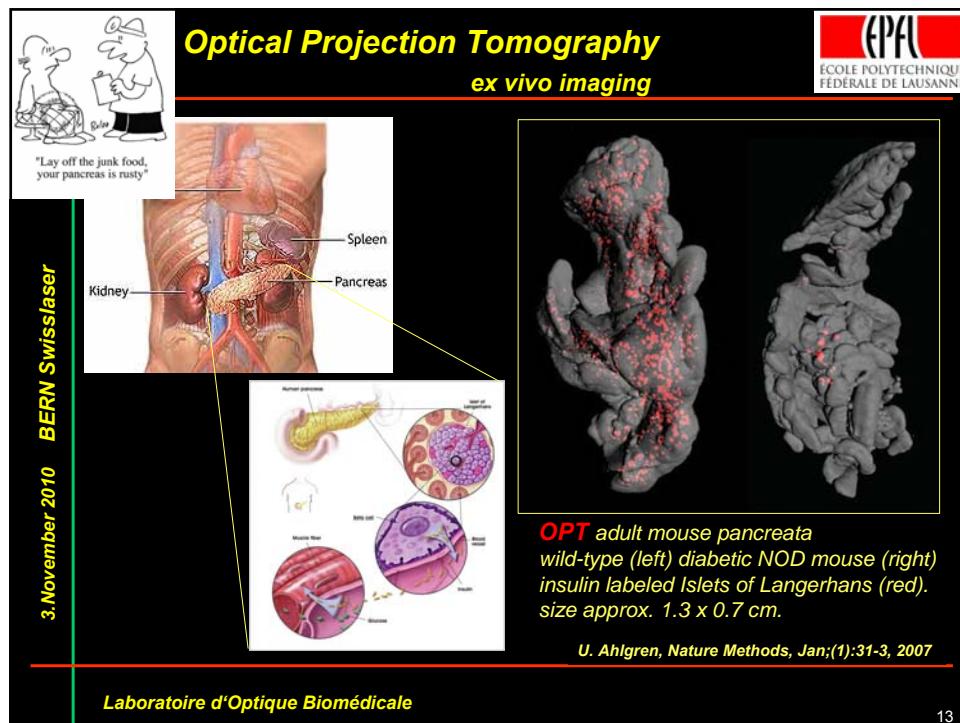
-Loss of resolution and signal outside DOF

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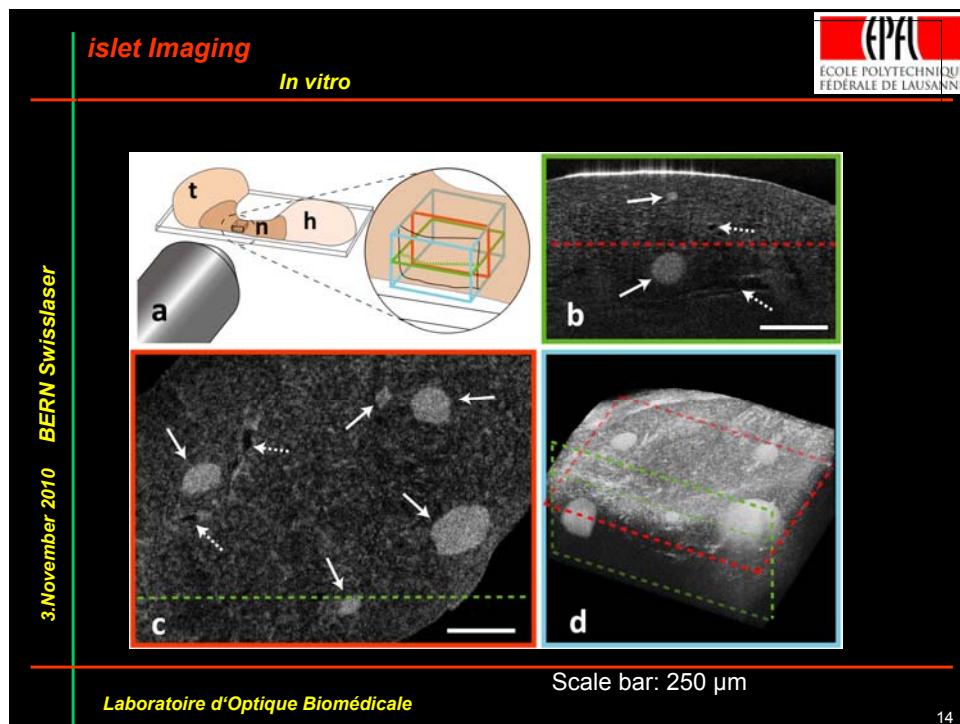
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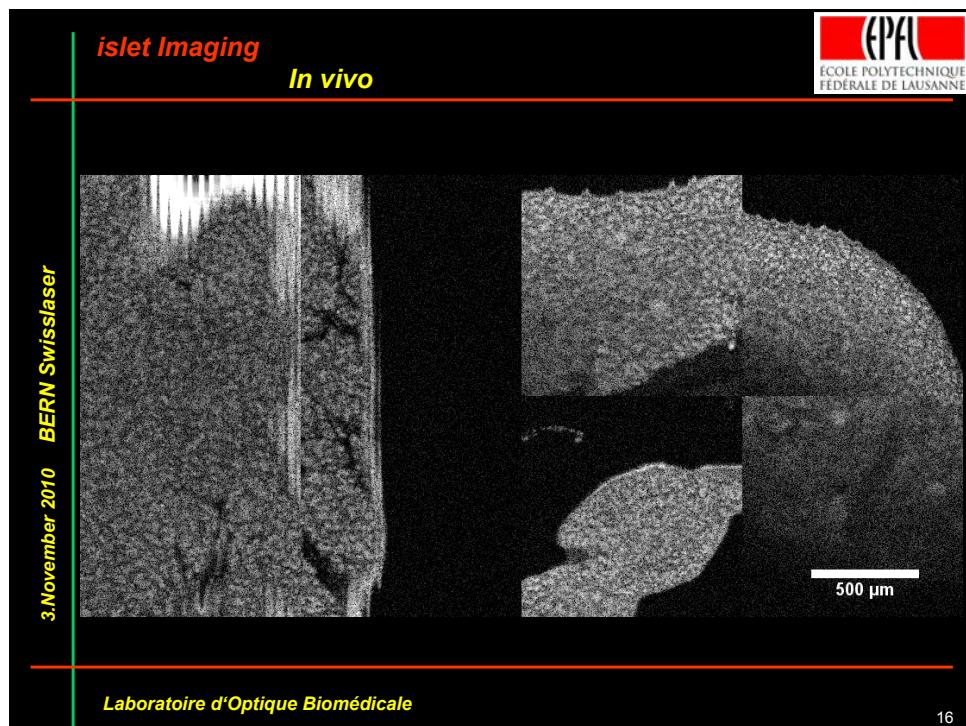


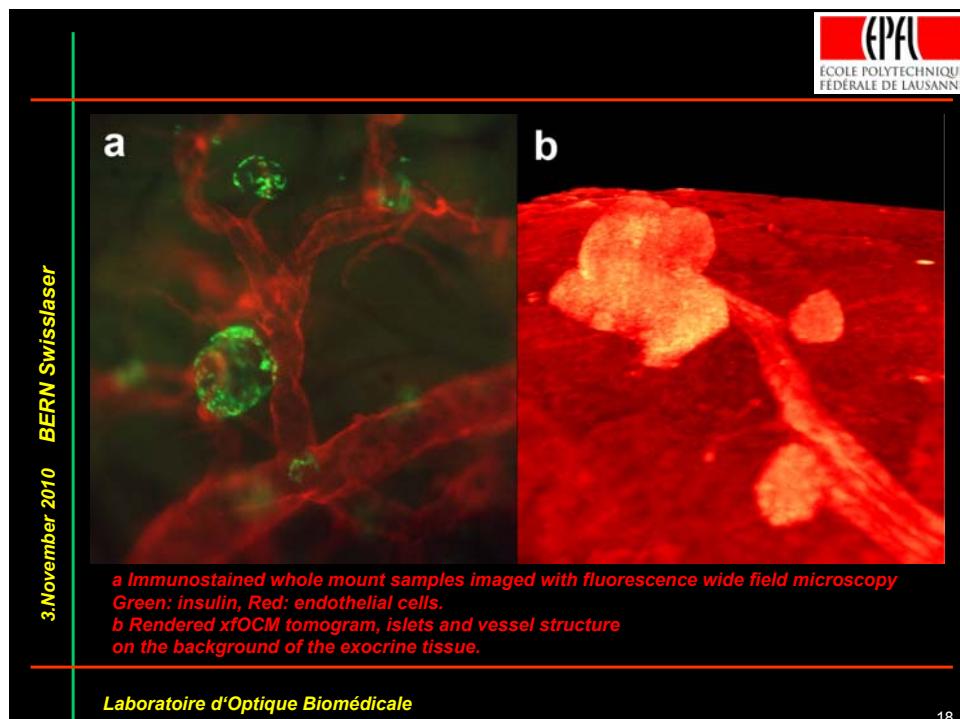
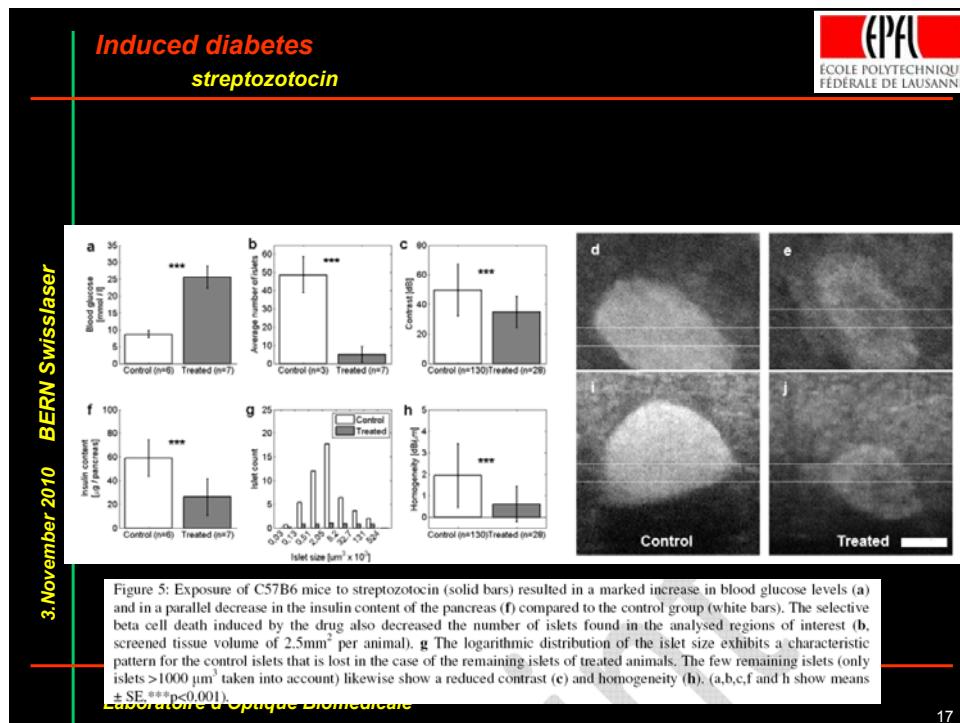


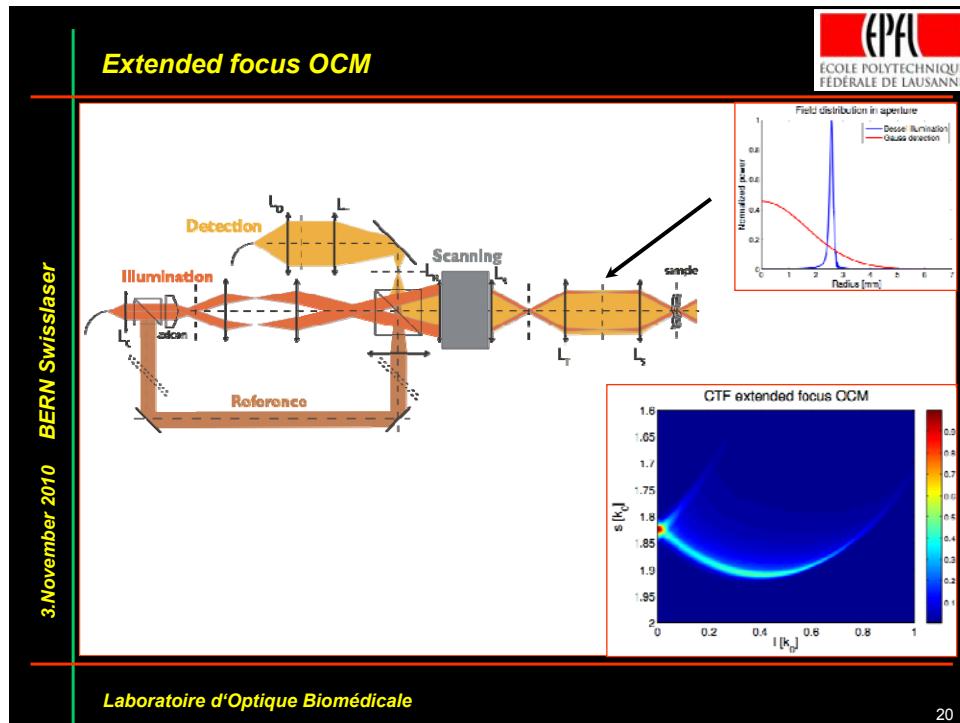
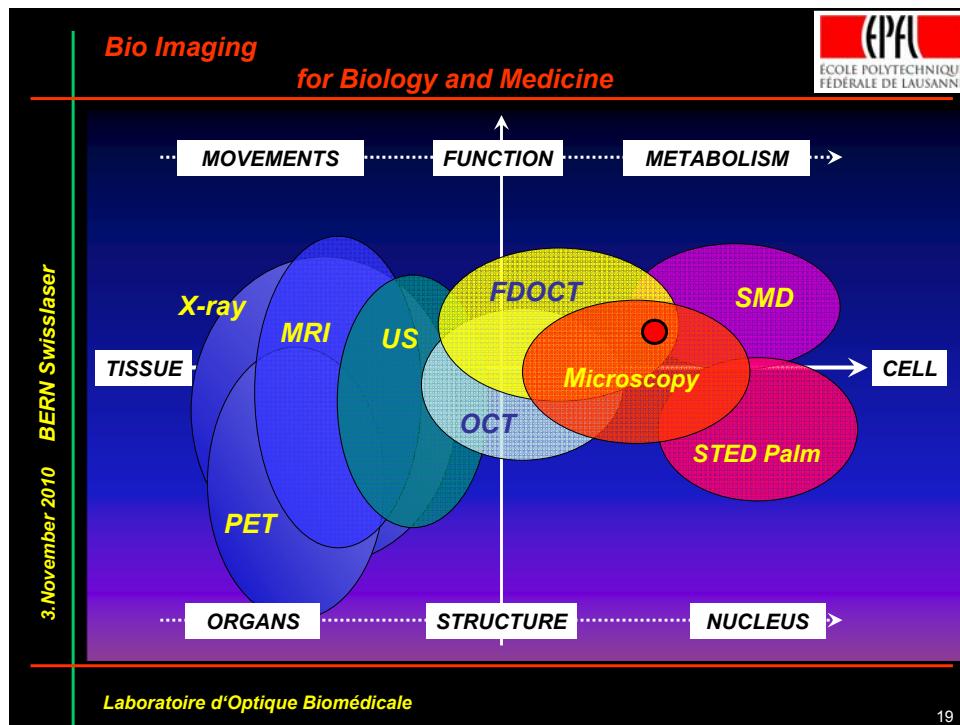
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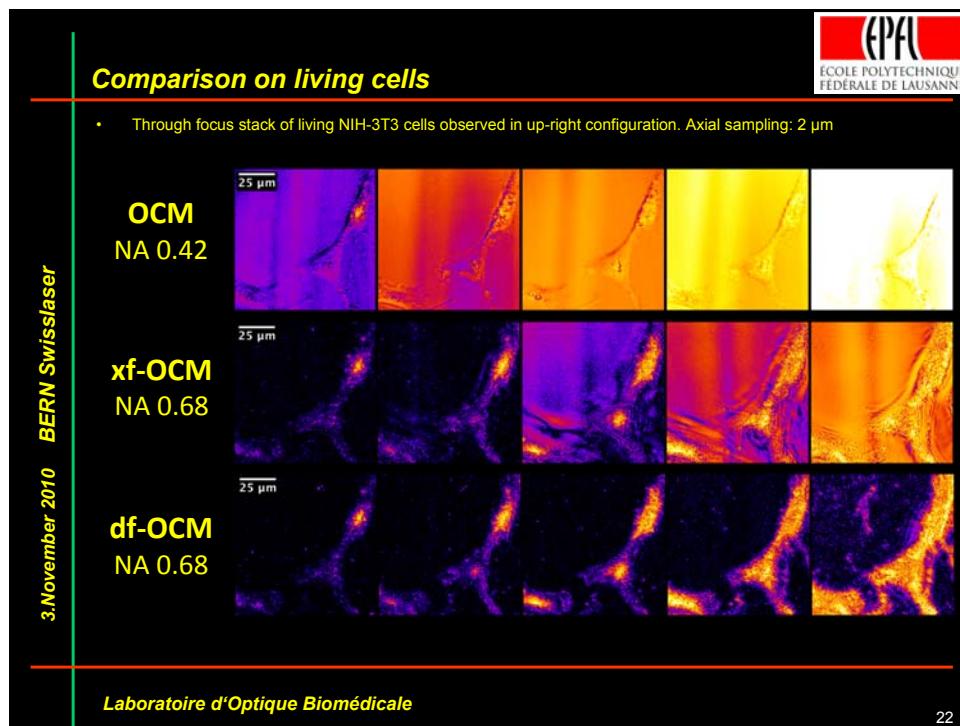
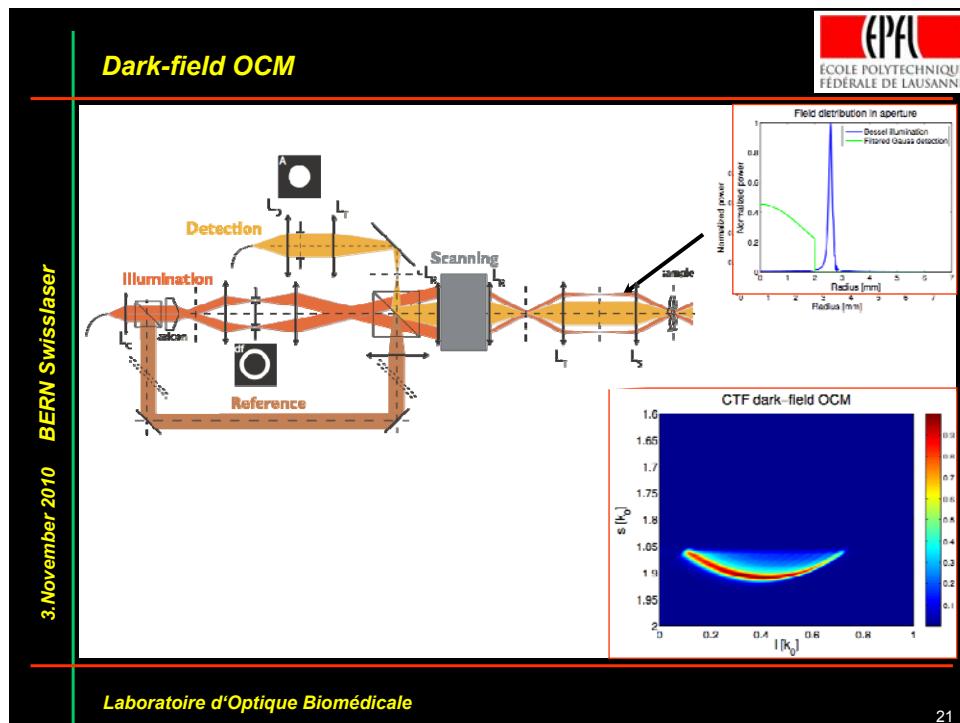


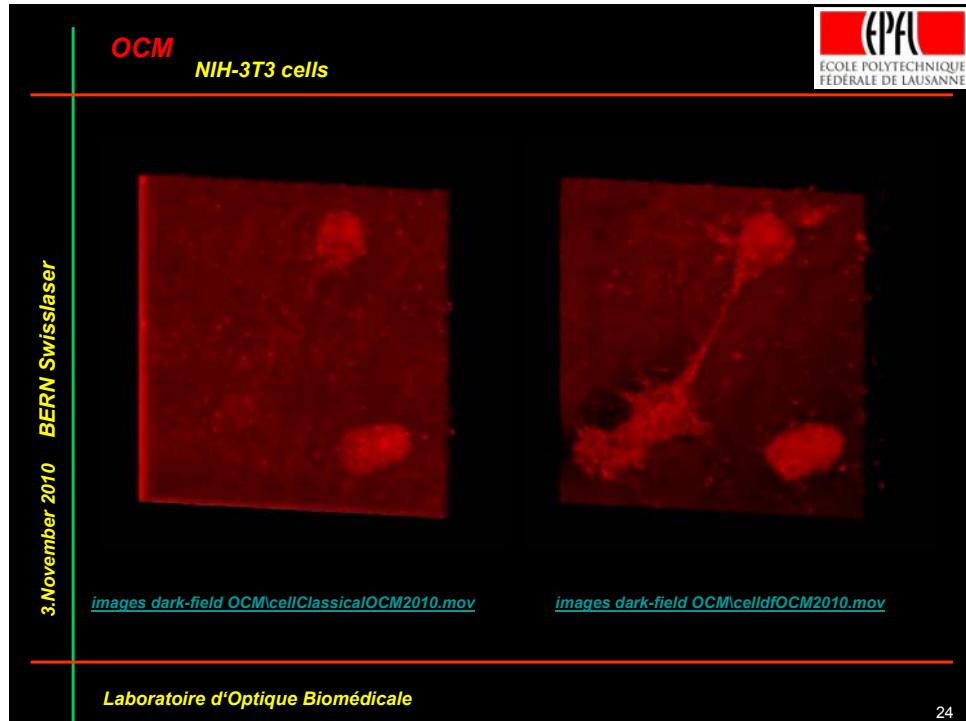
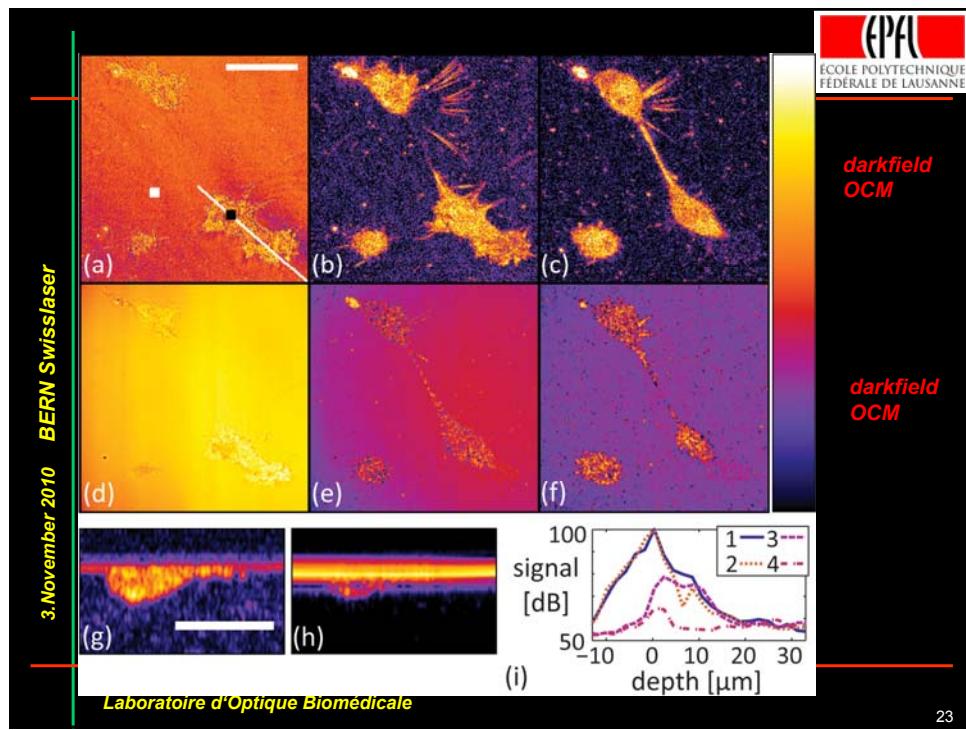
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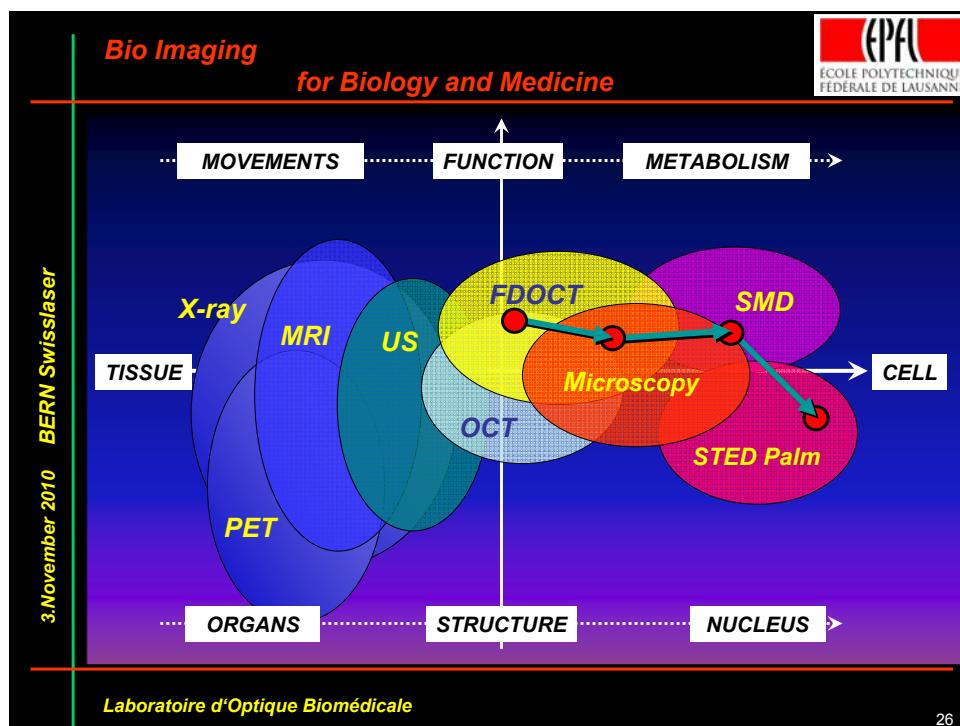
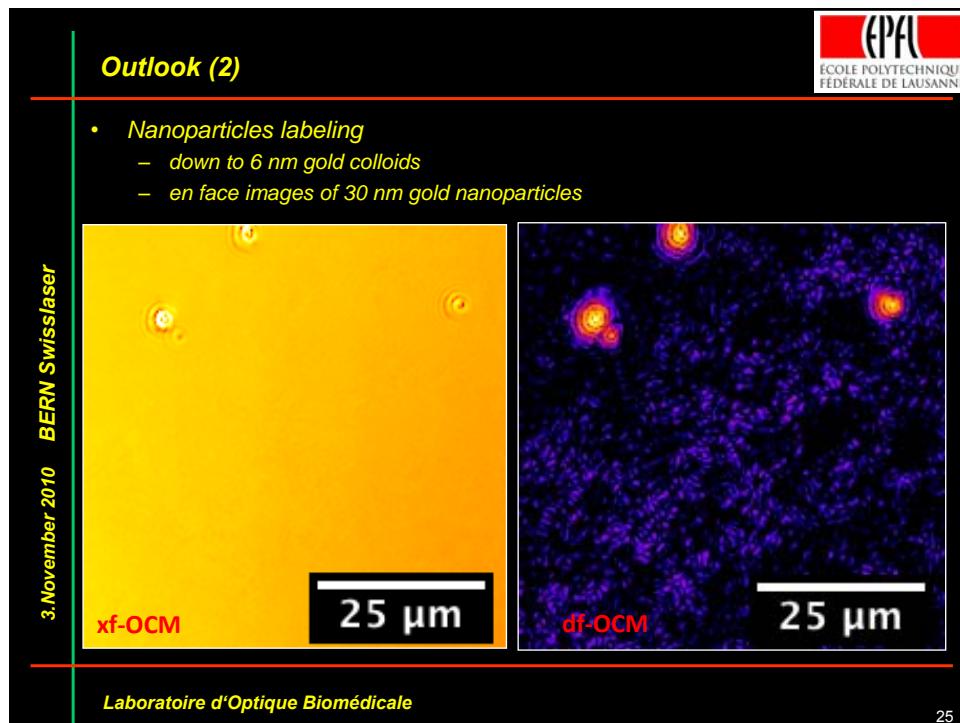


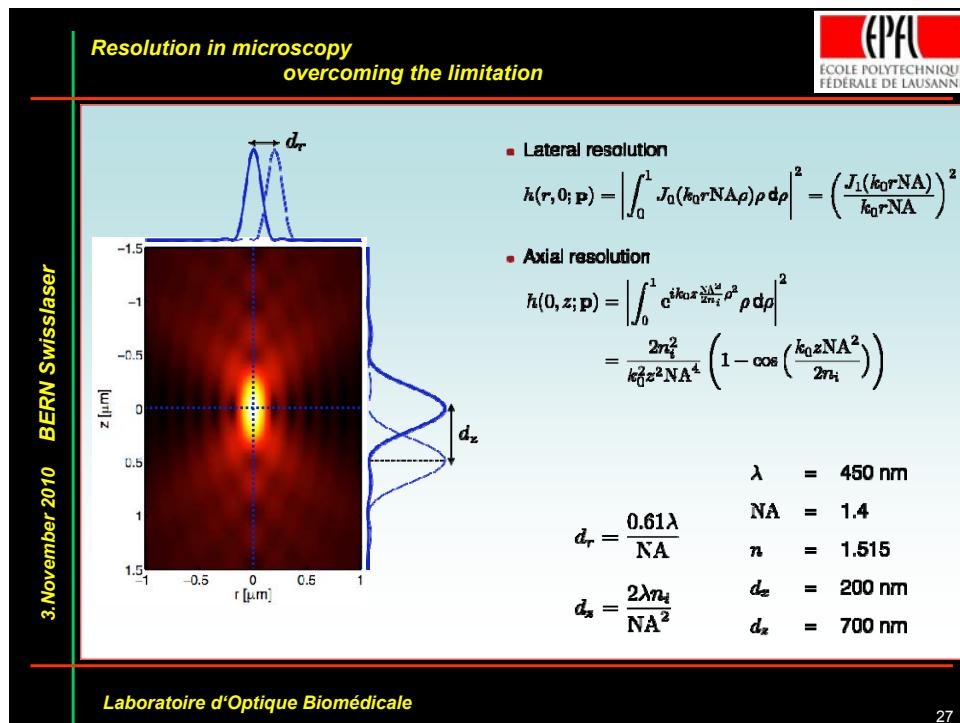




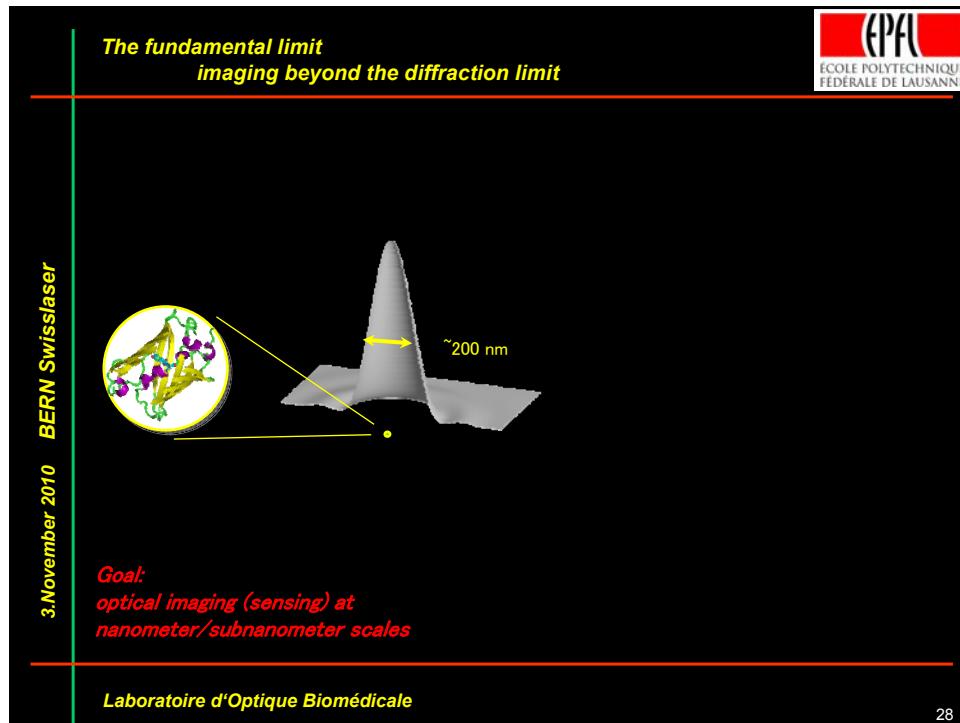




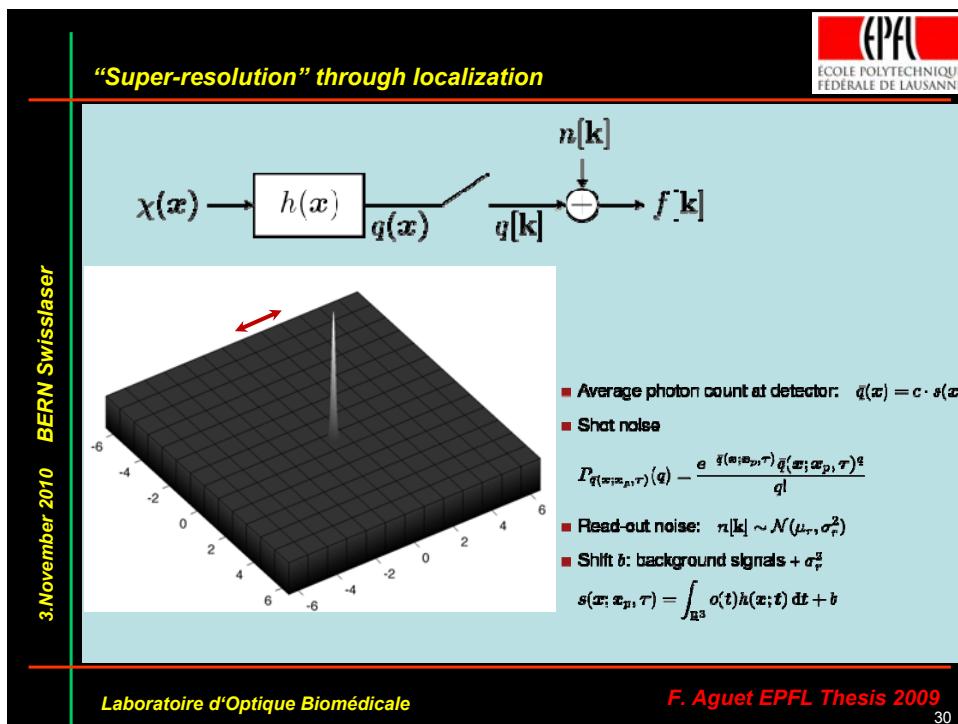
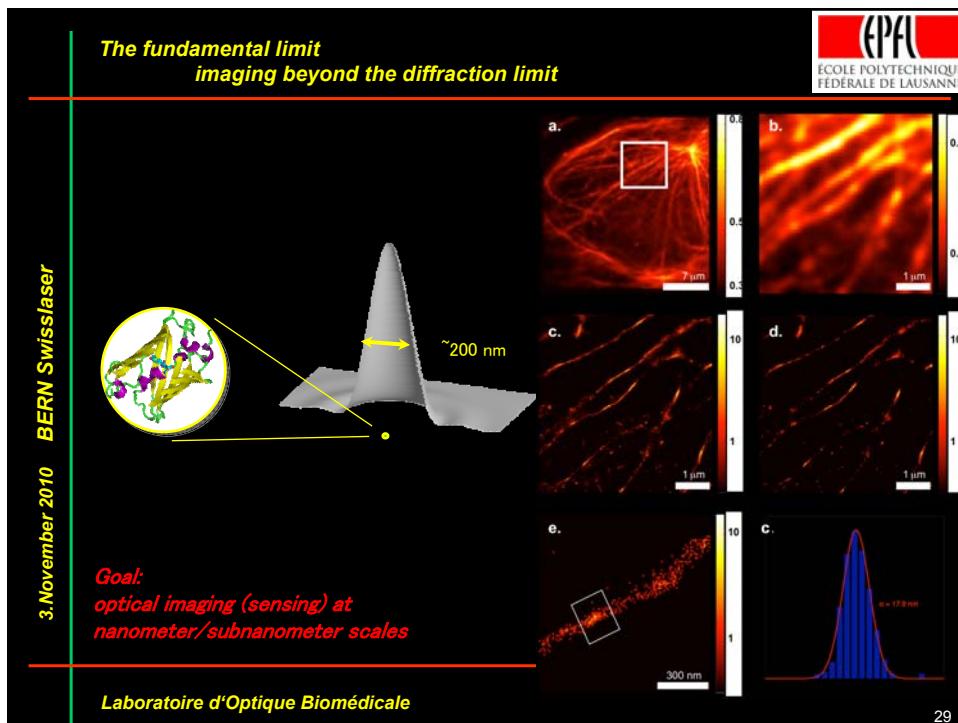


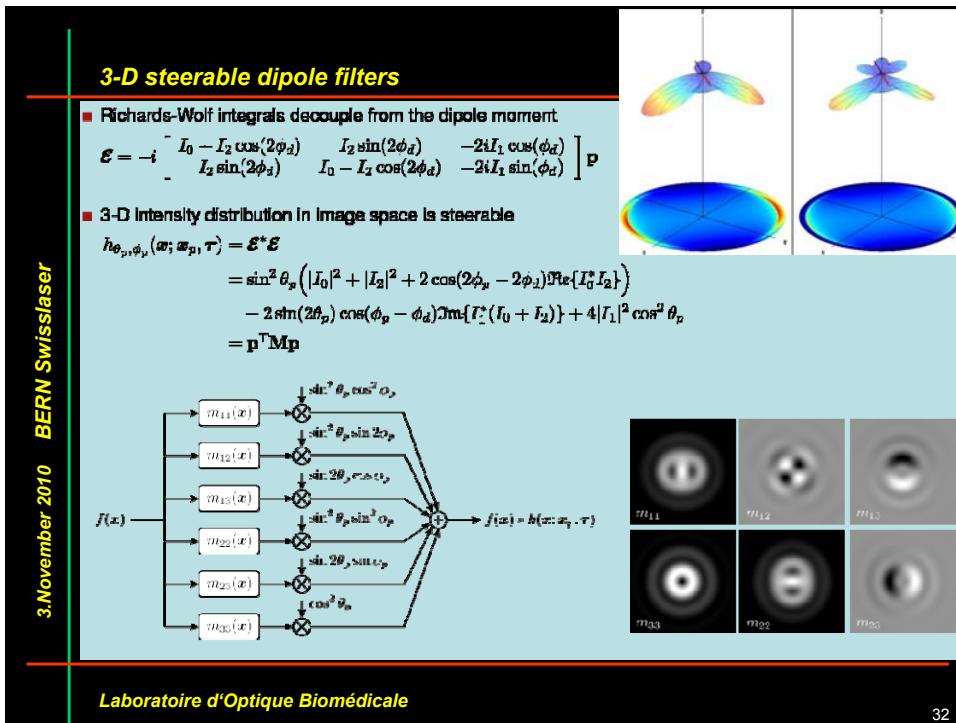
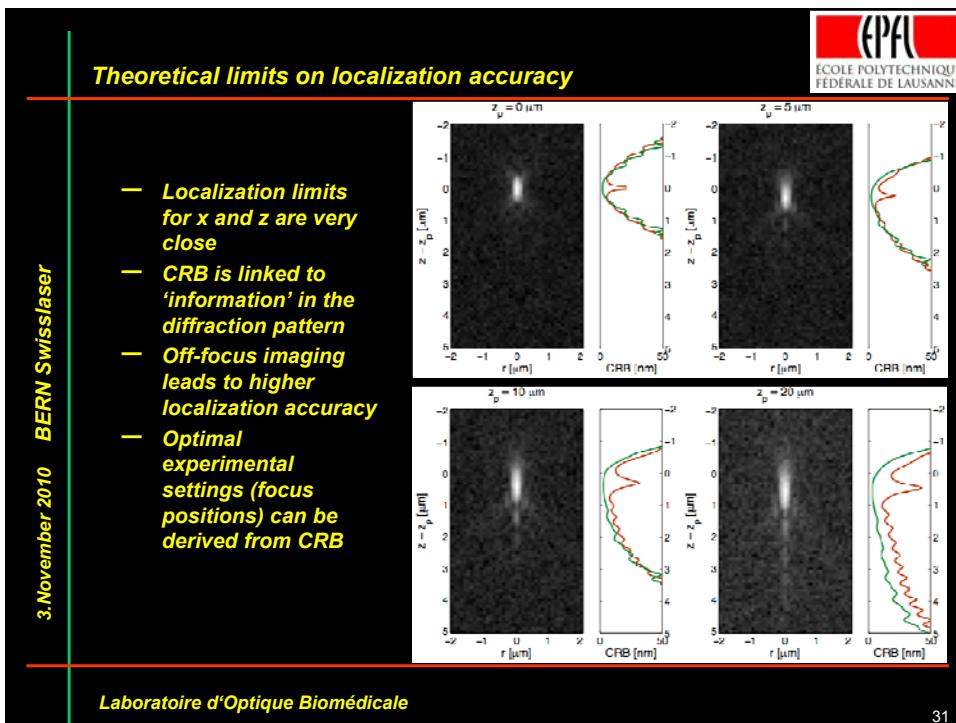


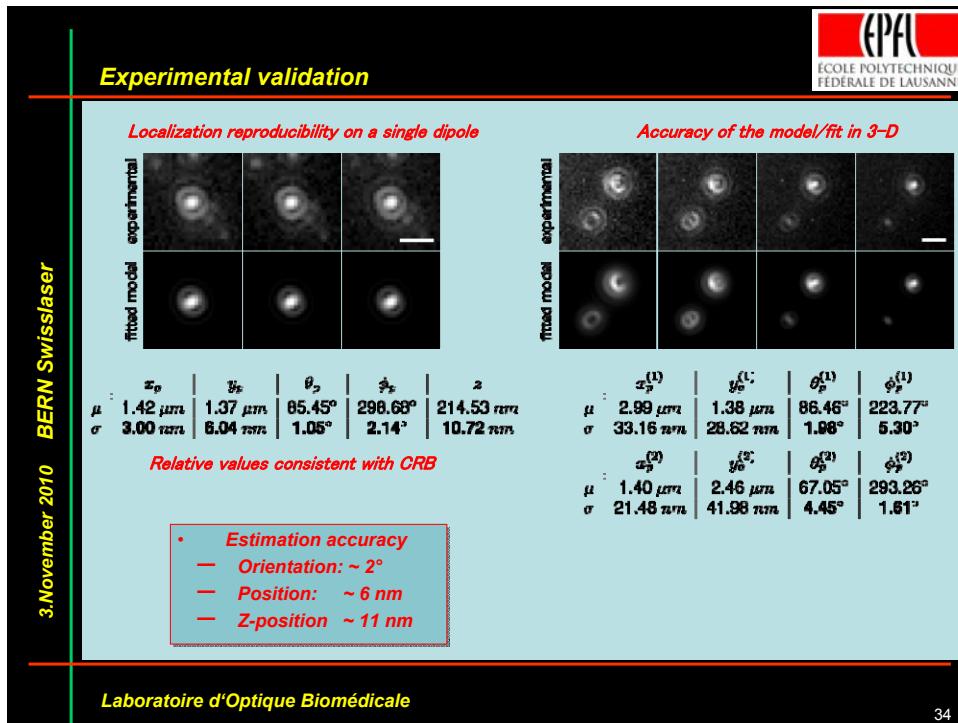
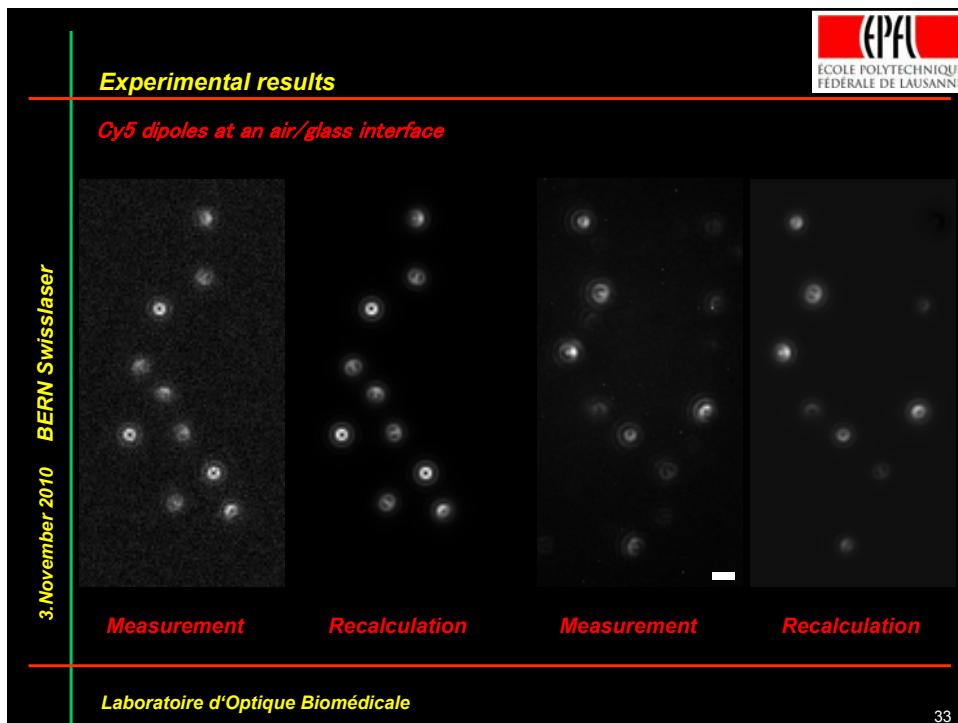
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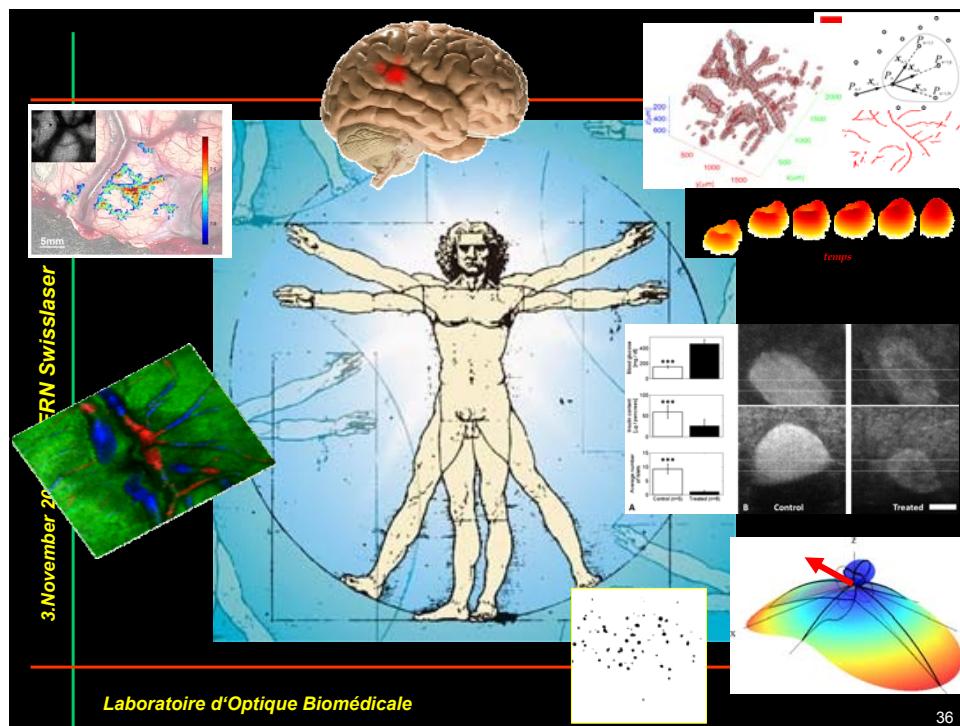
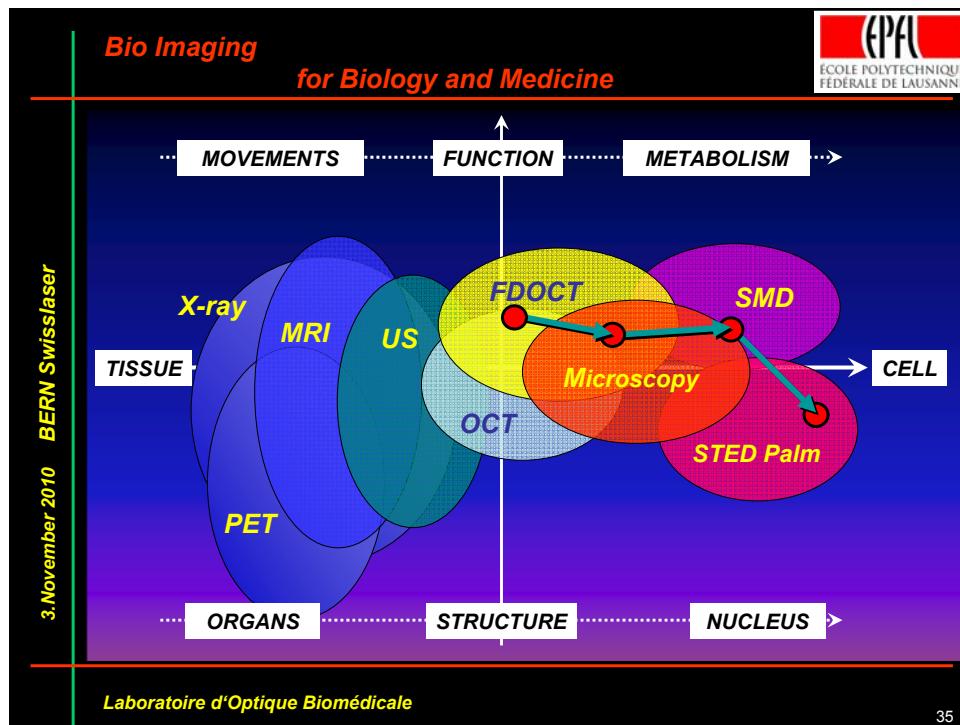


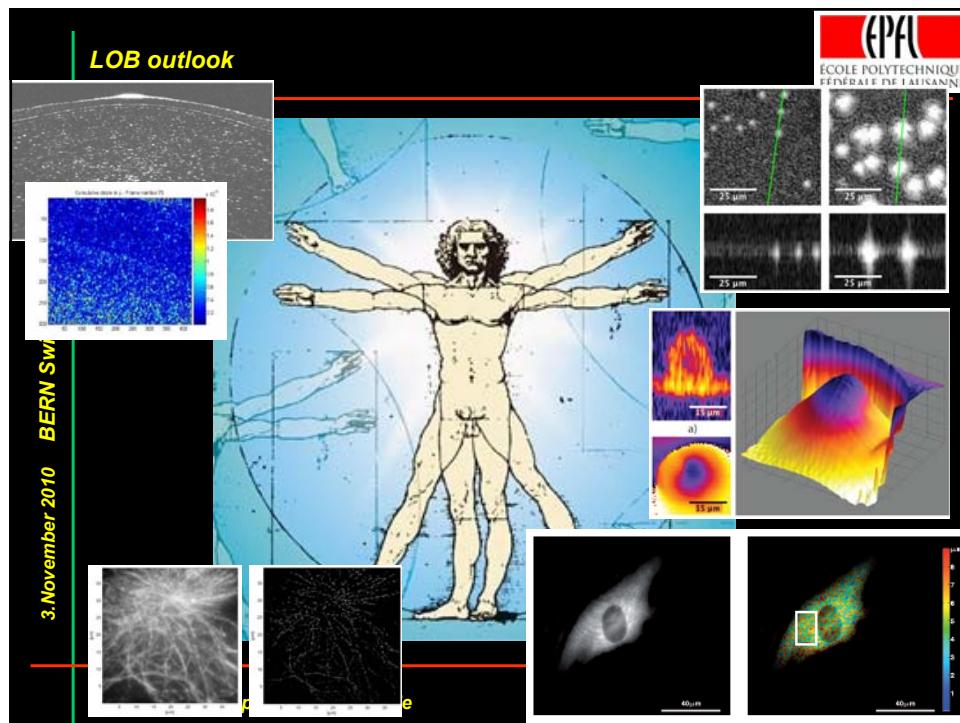
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