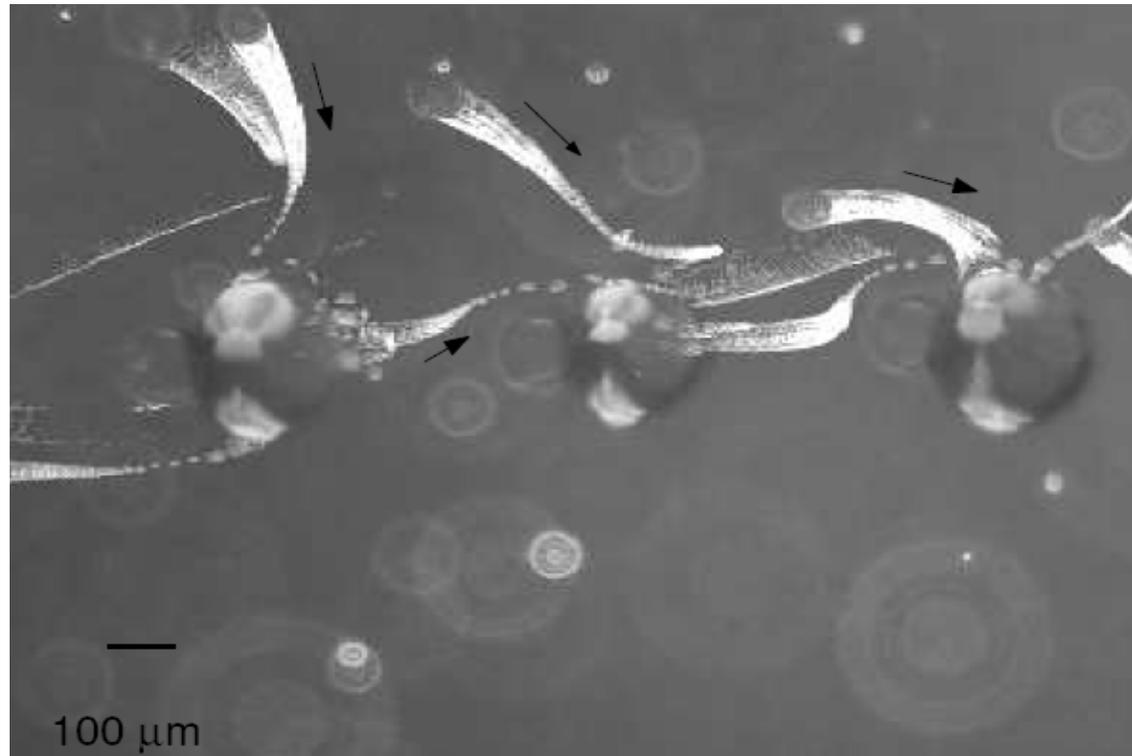


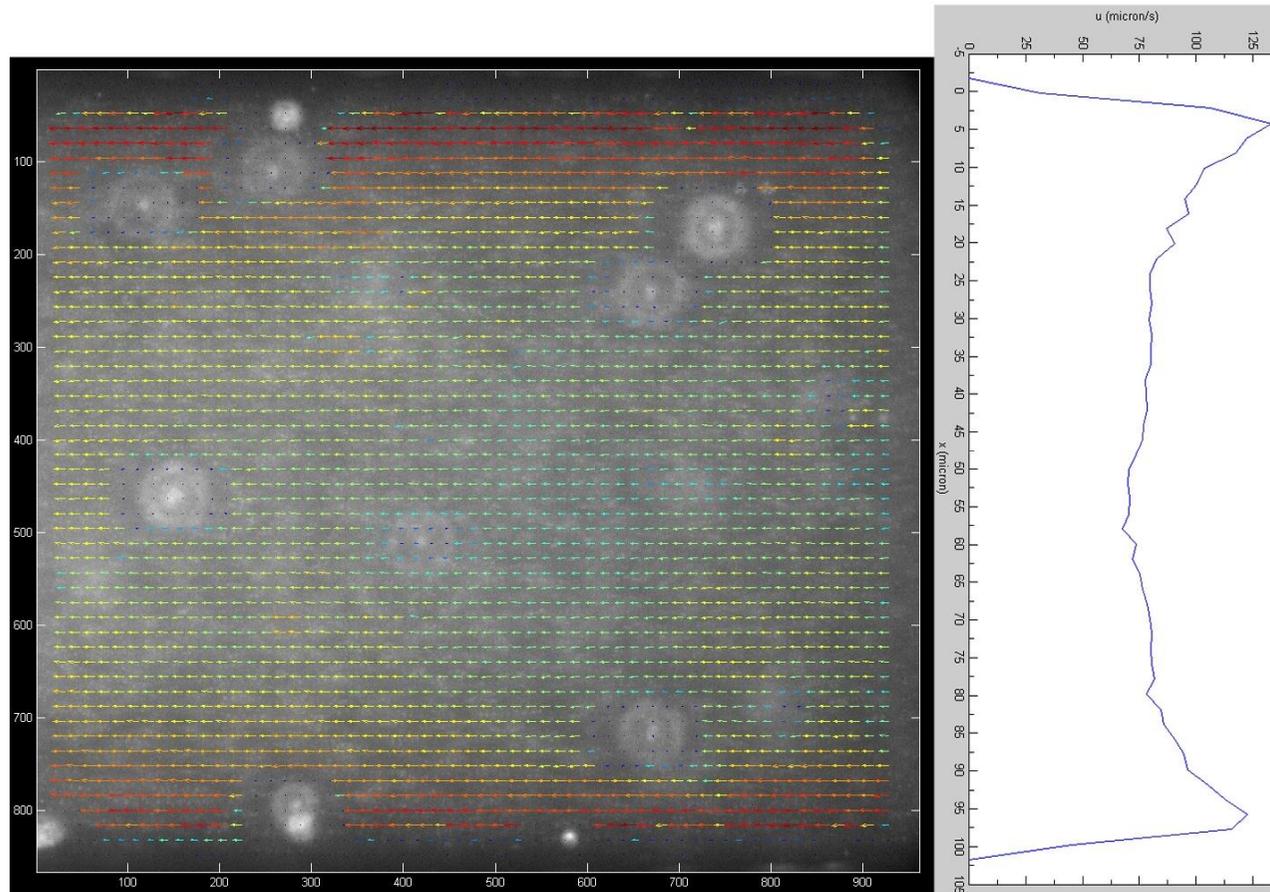
# MESA-fluidics

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# Field-effect control of electro-osmotic flow

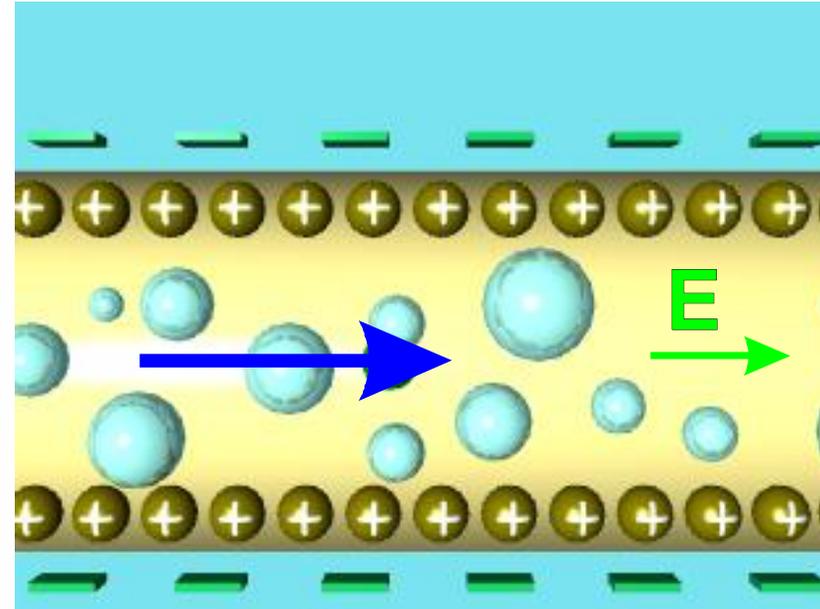
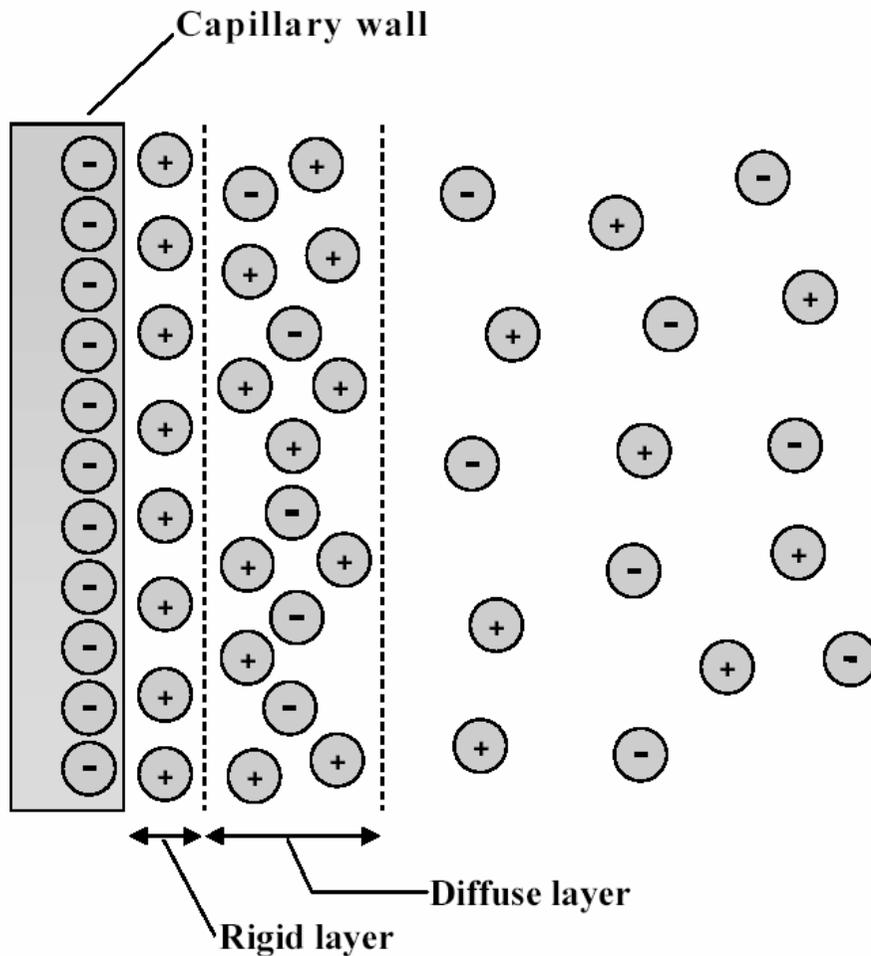


**E.J. van der Wouden e.a. Colloids and Surf. A 267, 2005, 110**

**D.C. Hermes e.a. Microsystem Technol. 12, 2006, 436**

**E.J. van der Wouden e.a., Lab Chip 6, 2006, 1300**

# Electro osmotic flow (EOF)



$$v_{EOF} = \frac{-ez}{h} E$$

$\eta$  = viscosity

$\epsilon$  = dielectric permittivity

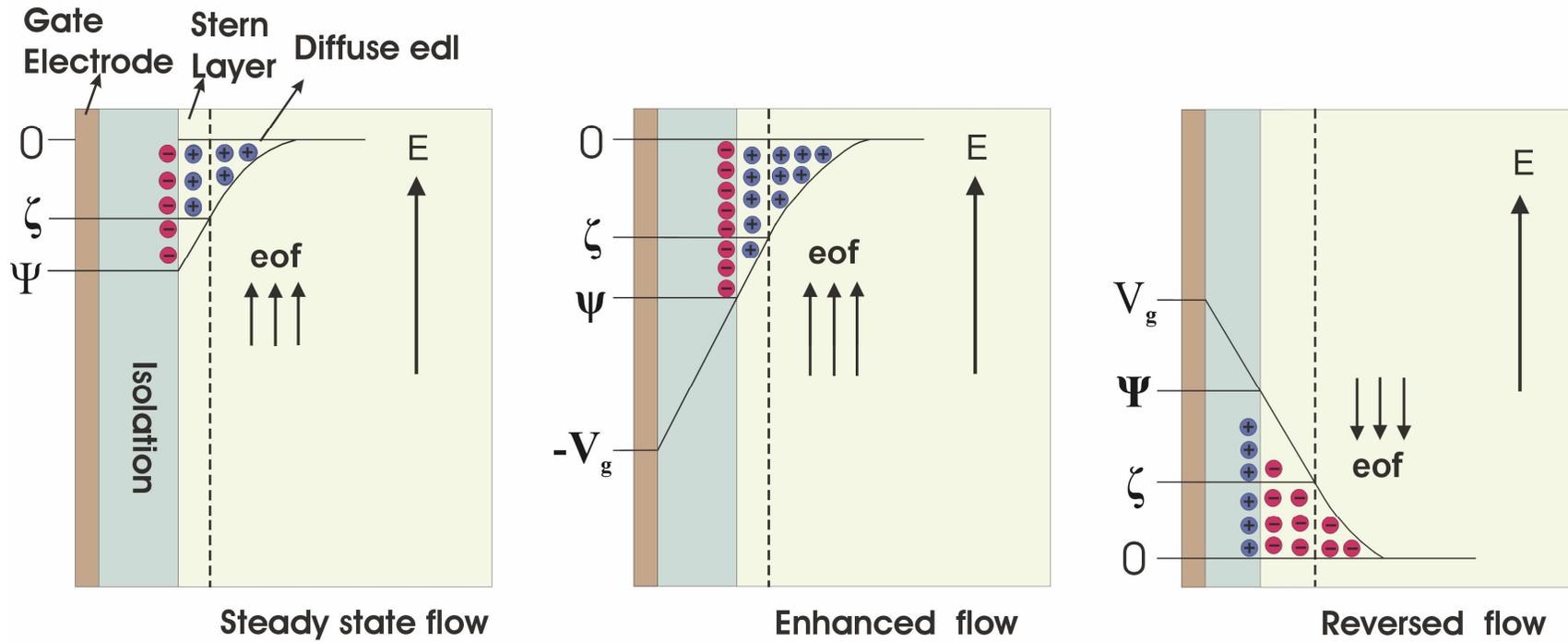
$\zeta$  = "Zeta-potential" ~ wall charge

$E$  = electric field strength

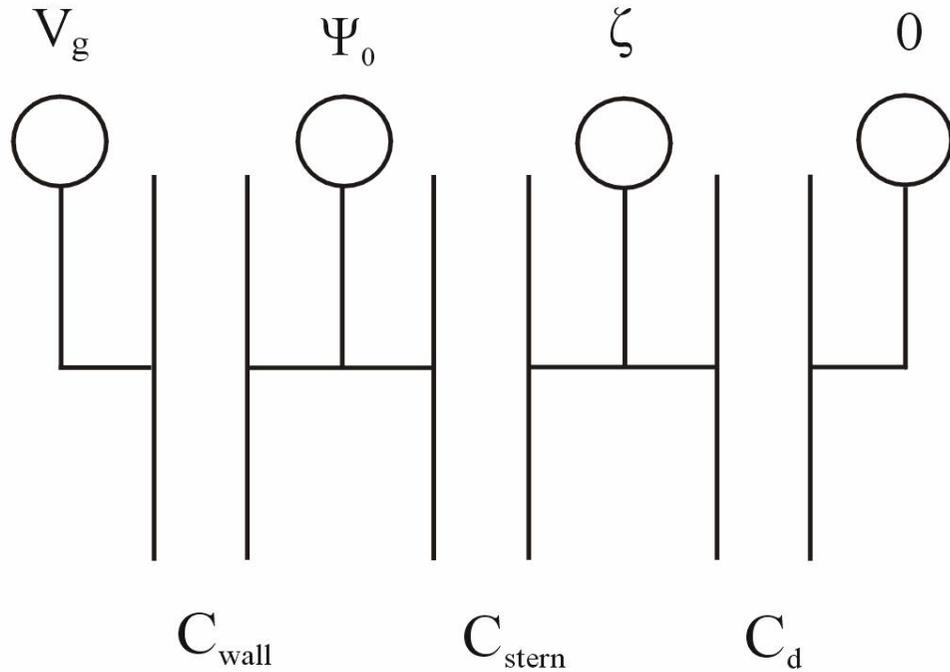
$v$  = linear velocity

*Stern's model of the double-layer charge distribution at a negatively charged capillary wall leading to the generation of a zeta potential and EOF*

# EOF control by radial voltage



# Electrical model



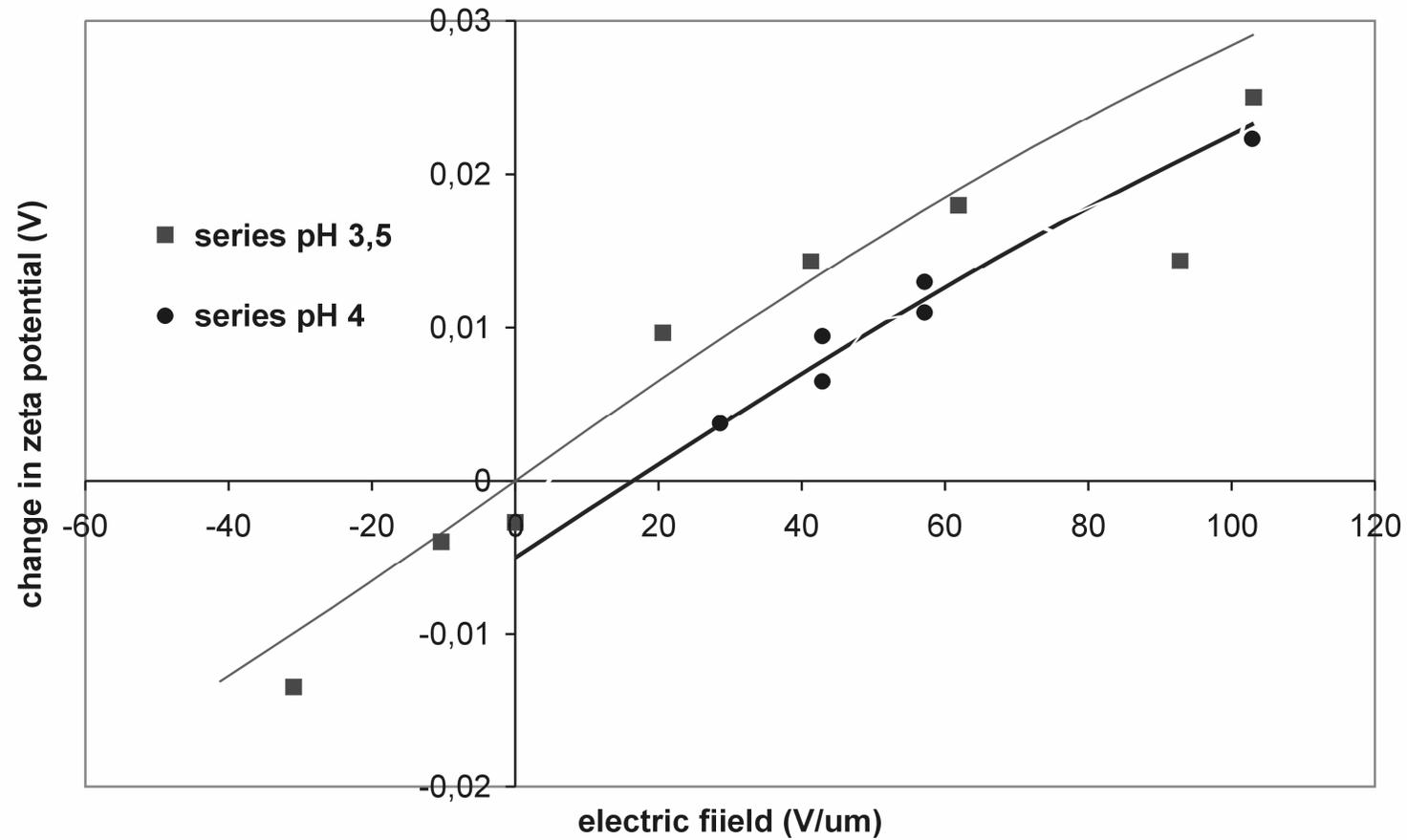
$$C_{wall} = \frac{eA}{d}$$

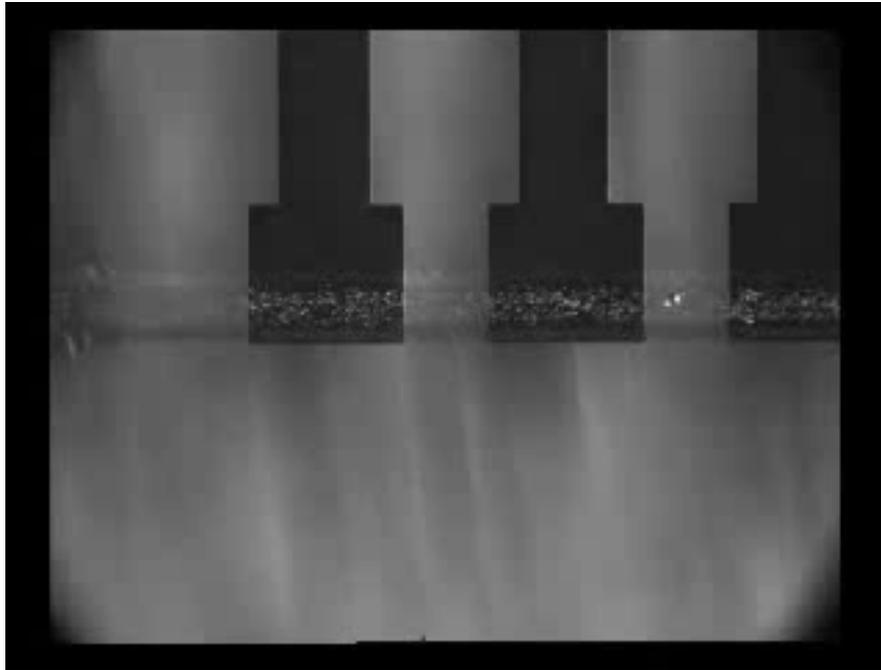
$$C_d = \frac{eA}{l_d}$$

$$\Delta Z = \frac{C_{wall}}{C_{dl}} V_g$$

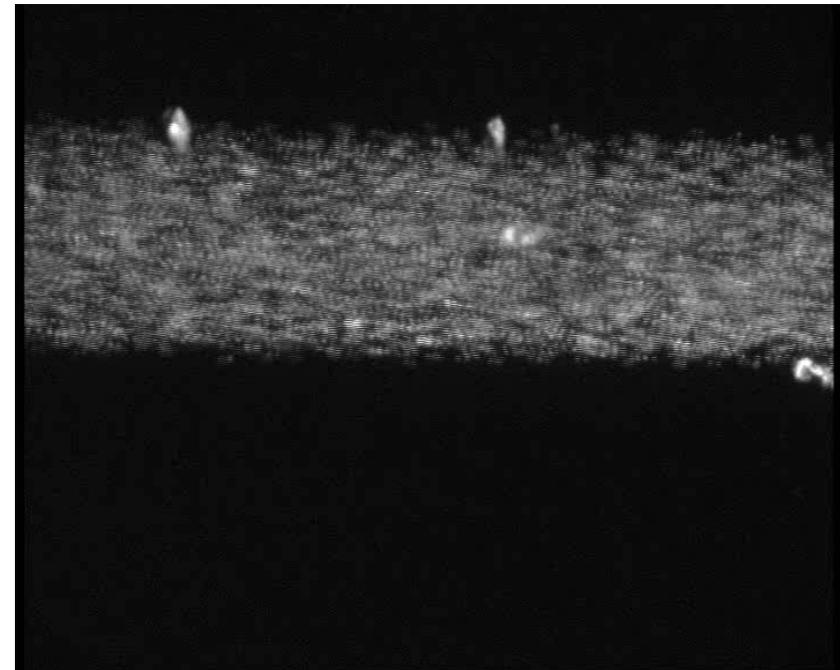
$$l_d = \left( \frac{e \cdot R \cdot T}{F^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sum c_i z_i} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

## Influence gate potential on local zeta potential

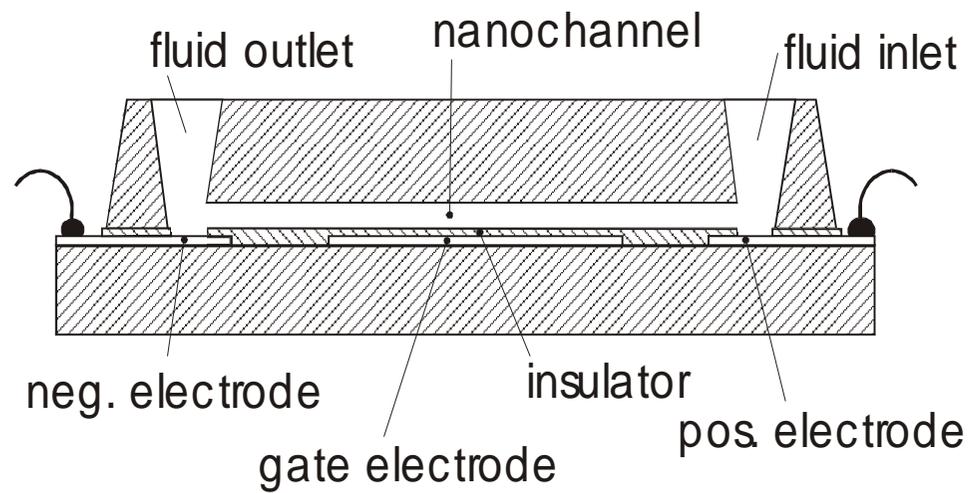




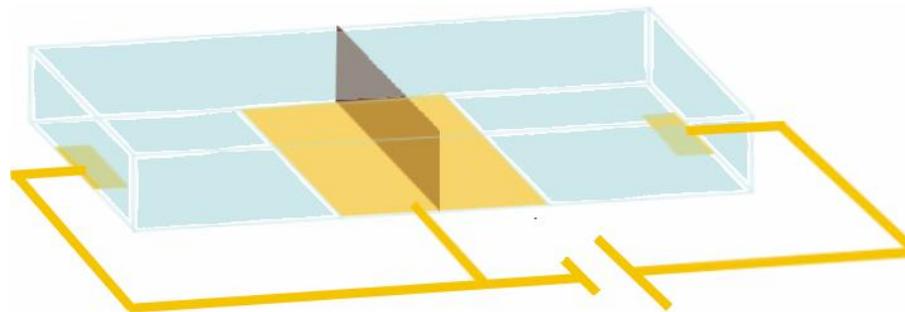
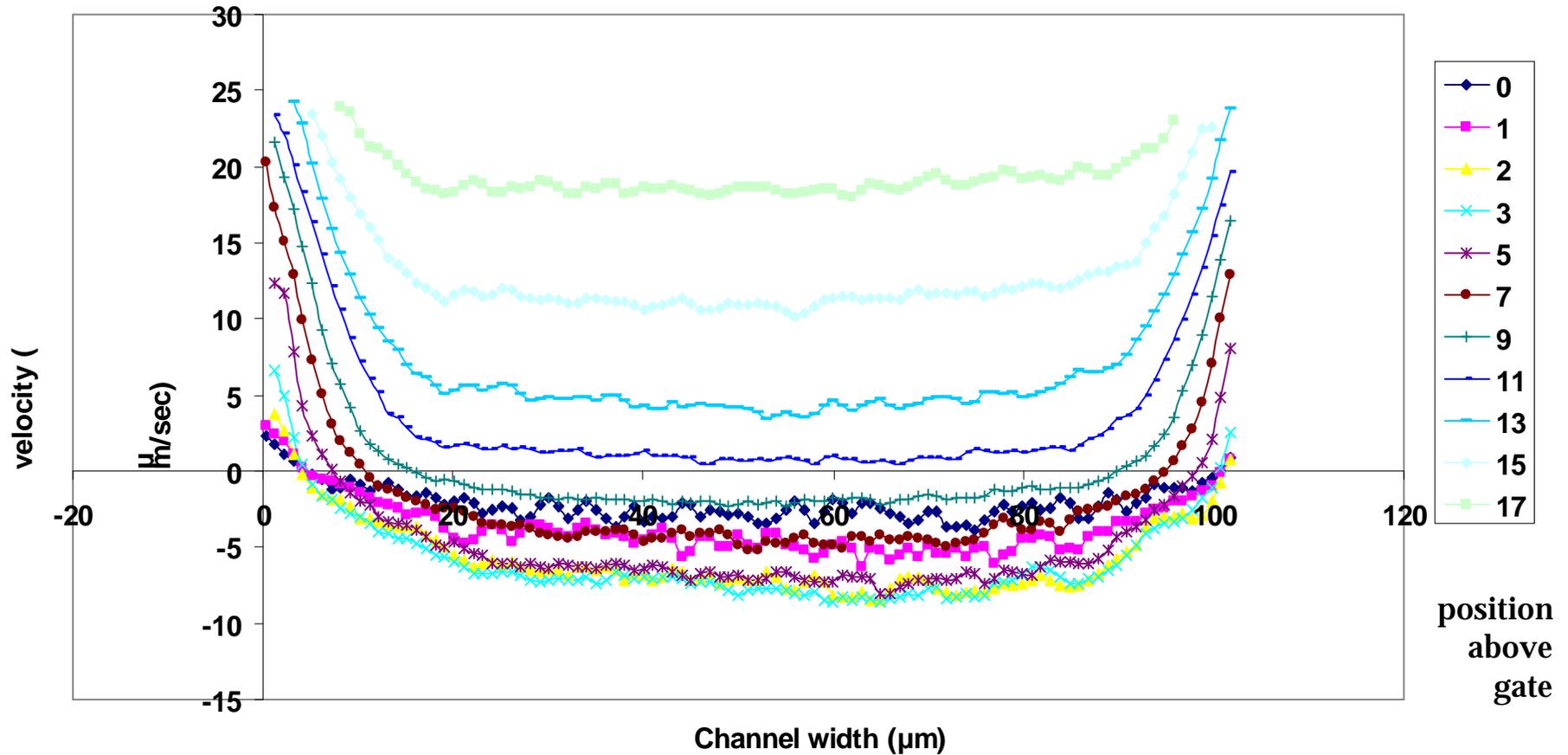
Gate DC voltage on-off



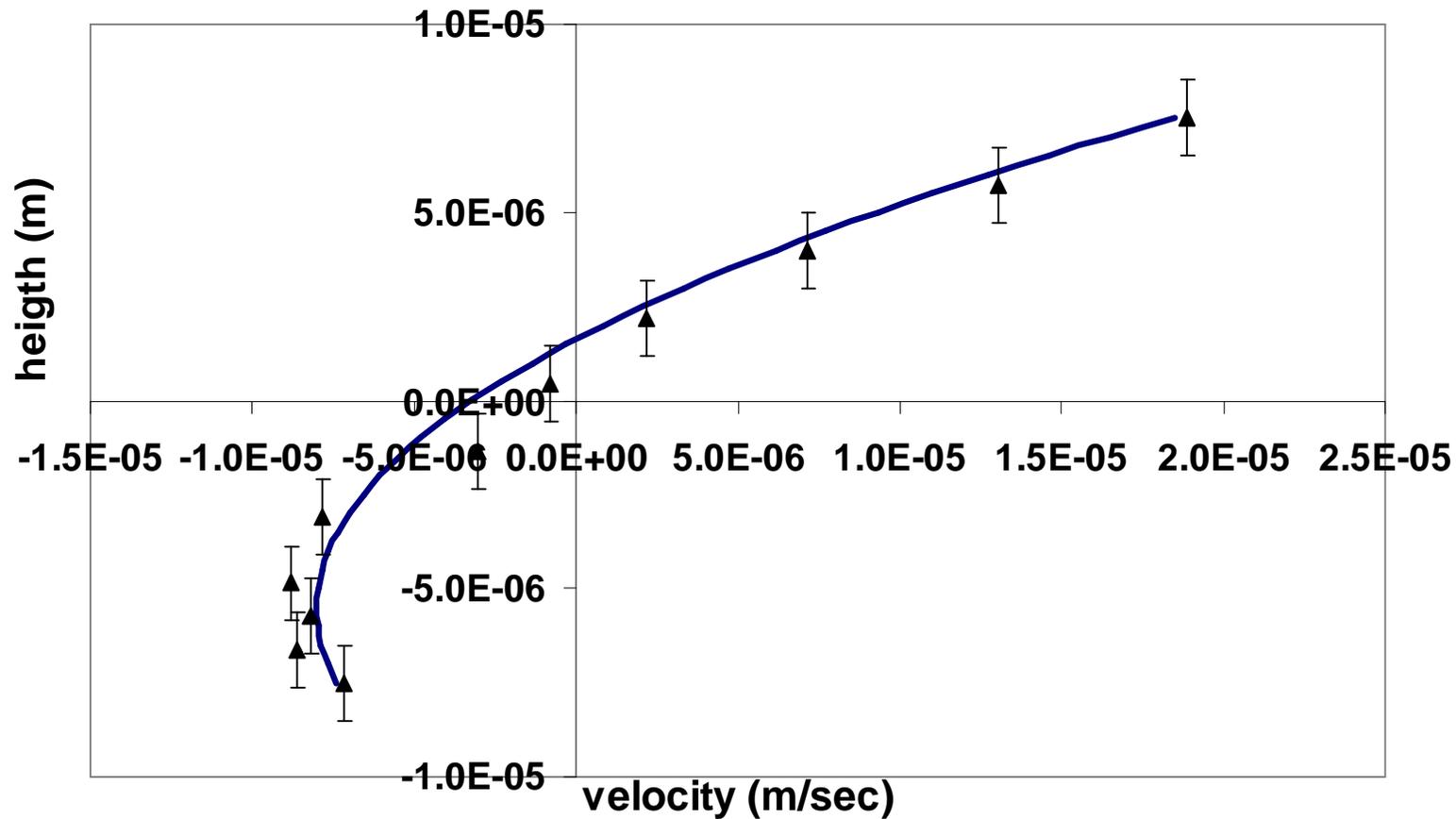
Gate AC voltage



# Particle image velocimetry

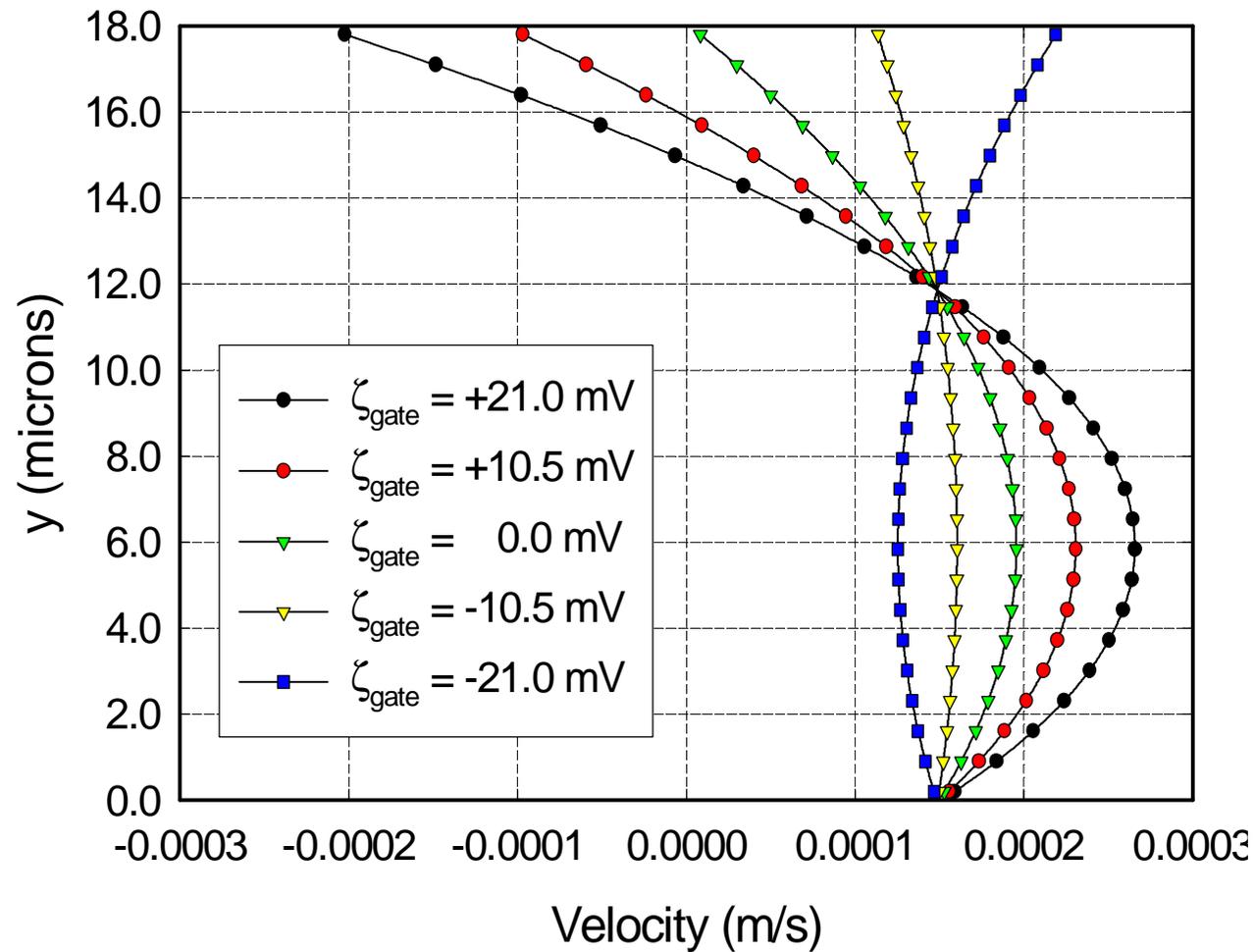


# PIV summary



Velocity as a function of the channel height at the channel center width for a gate potential of 300 V, which corresponds with  $\zeta = -0.4$  mV

## FEM simulated velocity profiles under gate electrode for different zeta potentials



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# Microfluidic NMR



# NMR: how does it work?

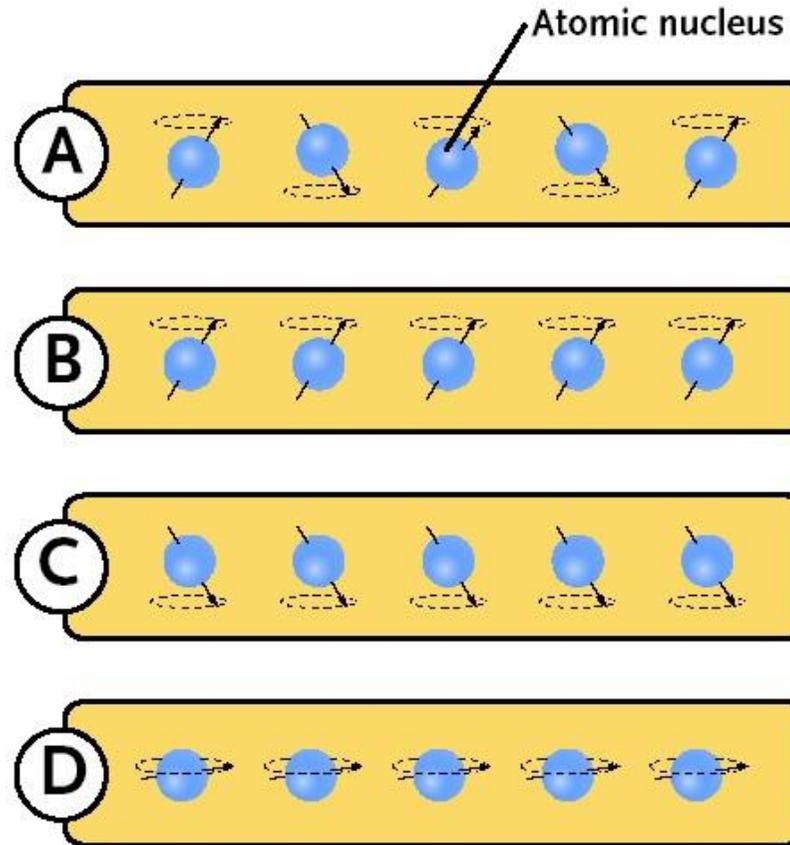
NMR = Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Without magnetic field  
spins are randomly oriented (A)

In a magnetic field spins align  
parallel (B) or anti-parallel (C)

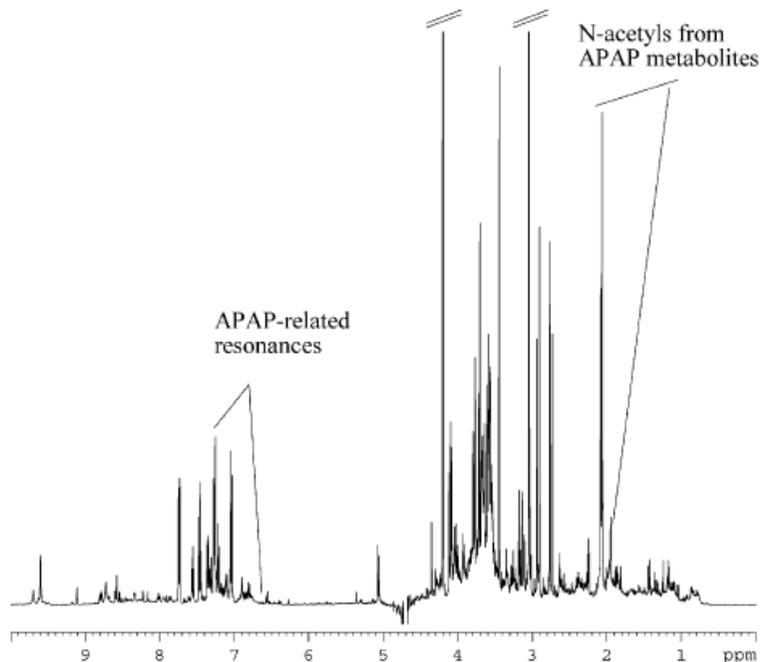
A matching r.f. signal will switch  
the spins from state B to C

When r.f. is turned off, the spins  
relax to low-energy state B in a  
precession process



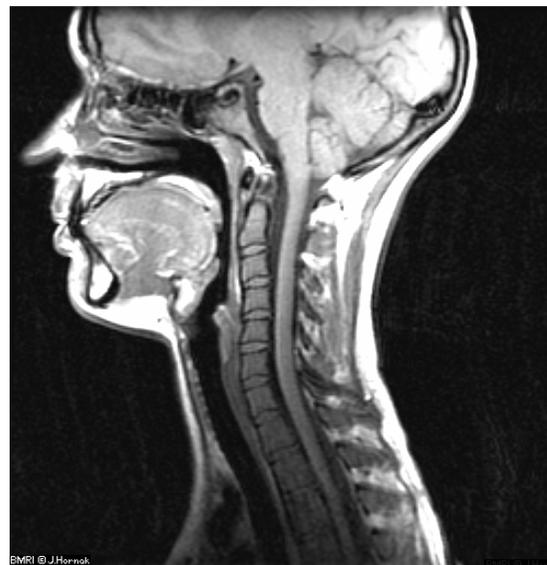
# NMR: what is it used for?

## Chemical structure information



500-MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of untreated urine obtained 4 h after a 500-mg APAP dose  
M. Spraul e.a. Anal. Chem. 75, 2003, 1546

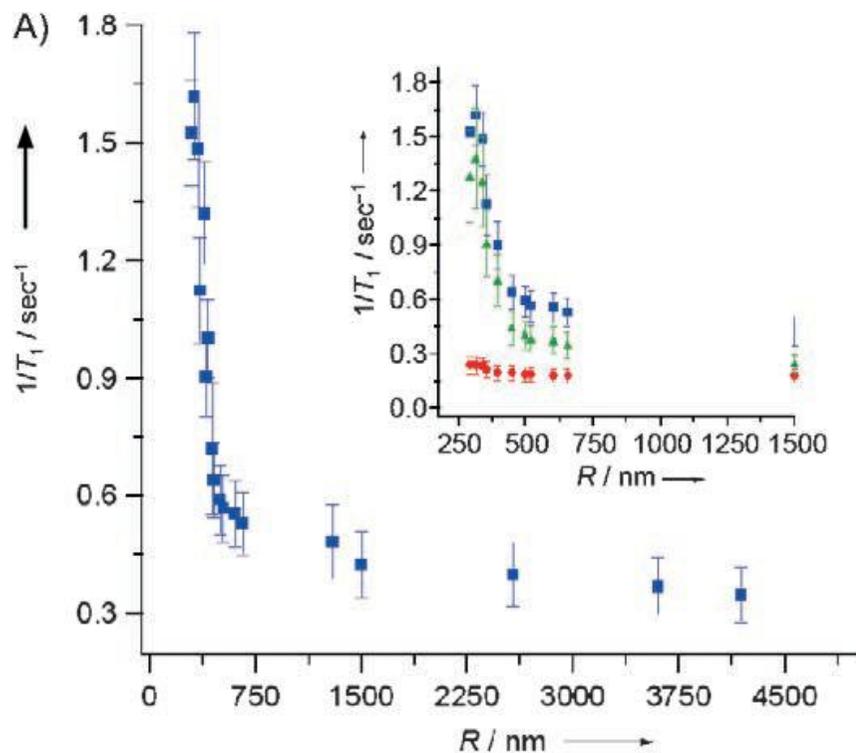
## Imaging



J.P.Hornak, <http://www.cis.rit.edu/htbooks/mri/>

# NMR for micro & nano fluidics

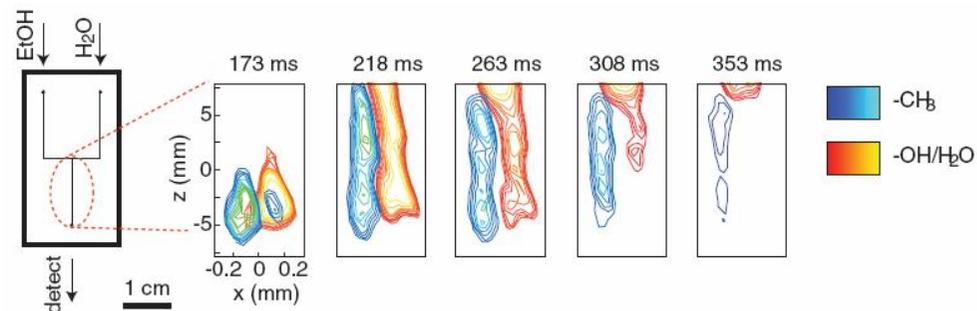
## Water confinement in nanopores



**Figure 1.** A) The size dependence of  $^1\text{H}$   $1/T_1$  values (■) of water confined in micro- and nanopores at 300 MHz and 22 °C. The inset shows the size dependence of intermolecular translational (▲) and intramolecular rotational motions (●) obtained from experimental  $^1\text{H}$   $1/T_1$  (■) values of water in the channel range of 295 to 1500 nm.

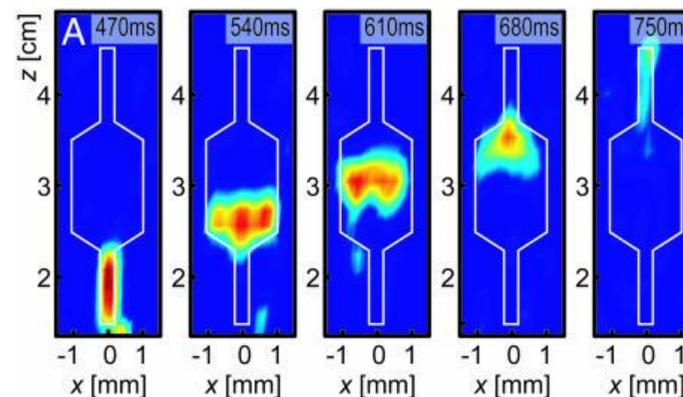
T. Tsukahara e.a. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 46, 2007, 1180

## Flow imaging



High-resolution time-resolved images of mixing inside microfluidic chip. Contour plots of ethyl alcohol and water inside the outlet channel of the microfluidic chip. Resolution along x is 75  $\mu\text{m}$  and 2.5 mm along z.

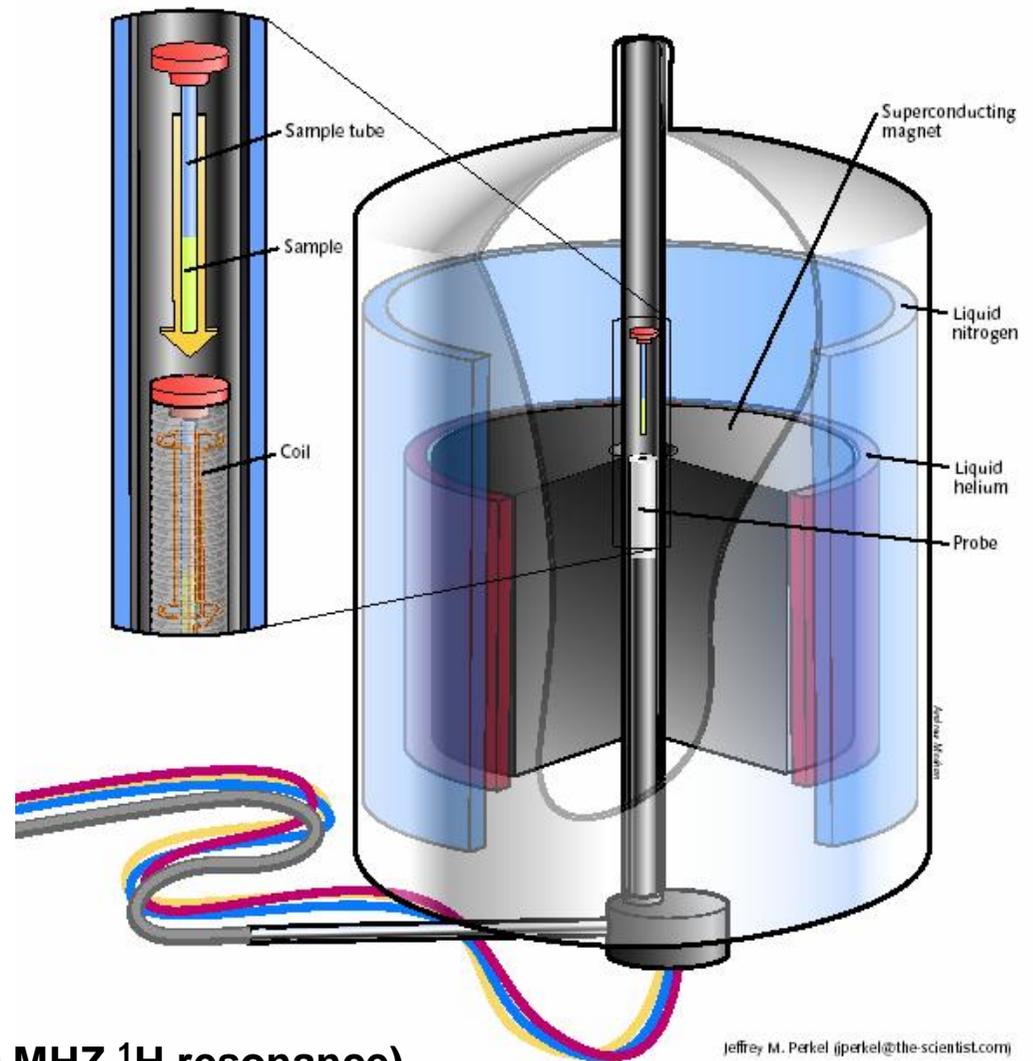
E. Harel e.a. Phys. Rev. Lett. 98, 2007, 01760



Microfluidic gas-flow profiling using remote-detection NMR

C. Hilty e.a. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 102, 2005, 14960

# NMR: How is it done?

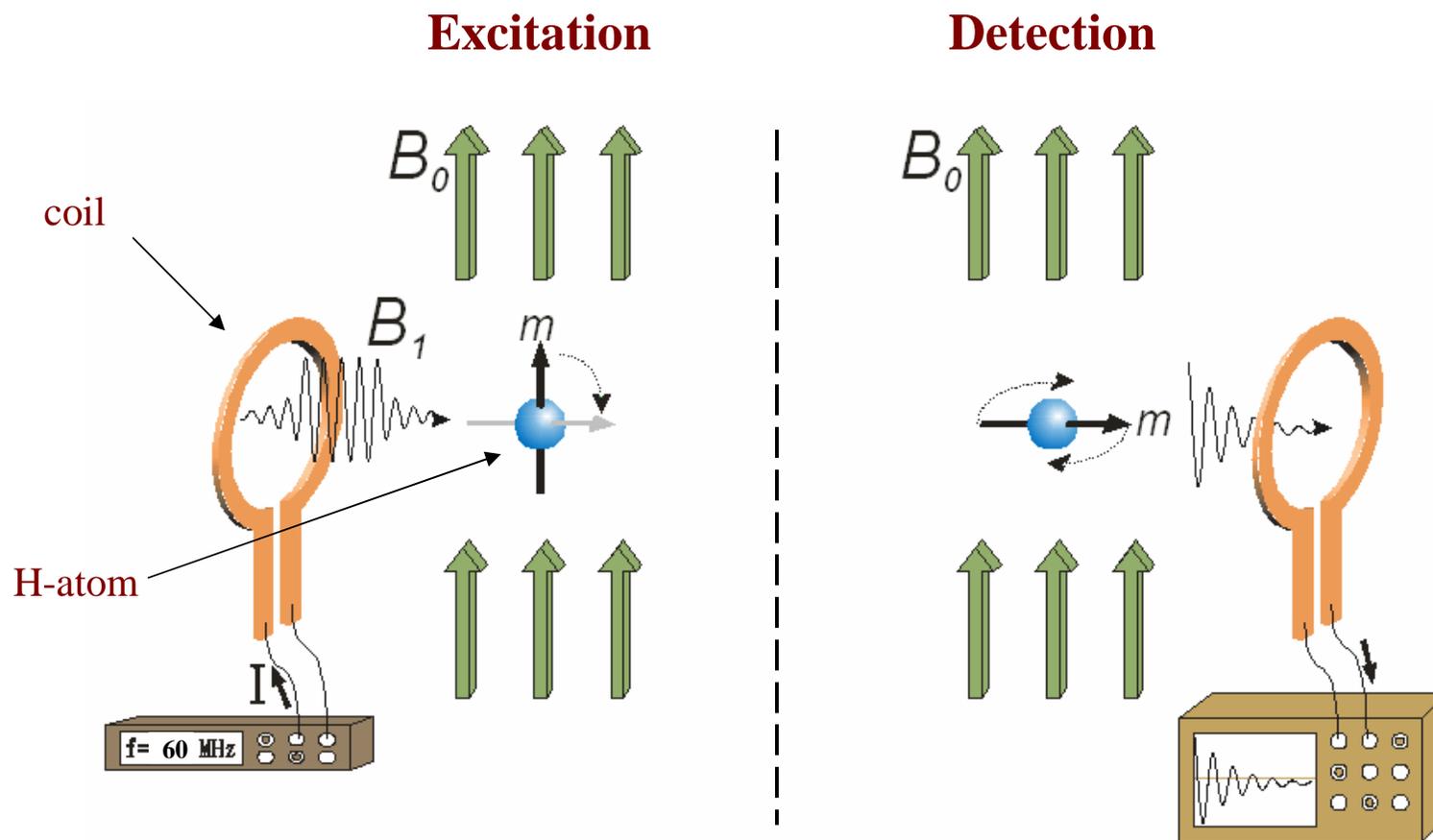


State of the art NMR: 21.1 Tesla (or 900 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  resonance)

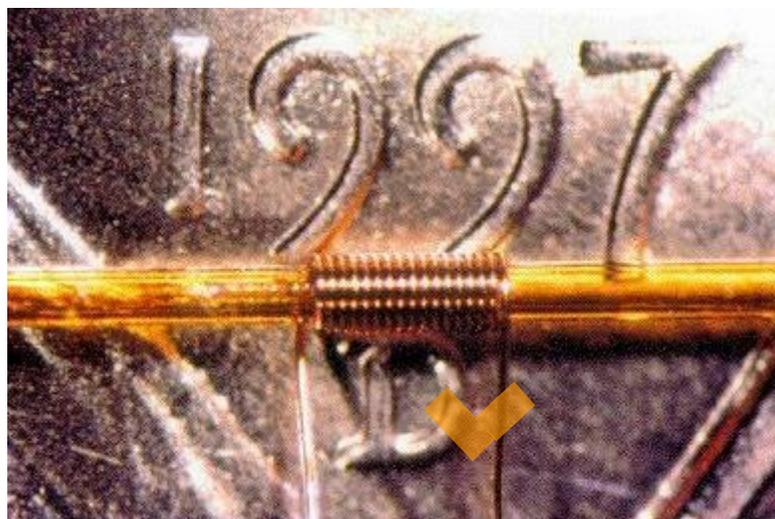
Jeffrey M. Perkel (jperkel@the-scientist.com)

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(www.varianinc.com) of Palo Alto, Calif.

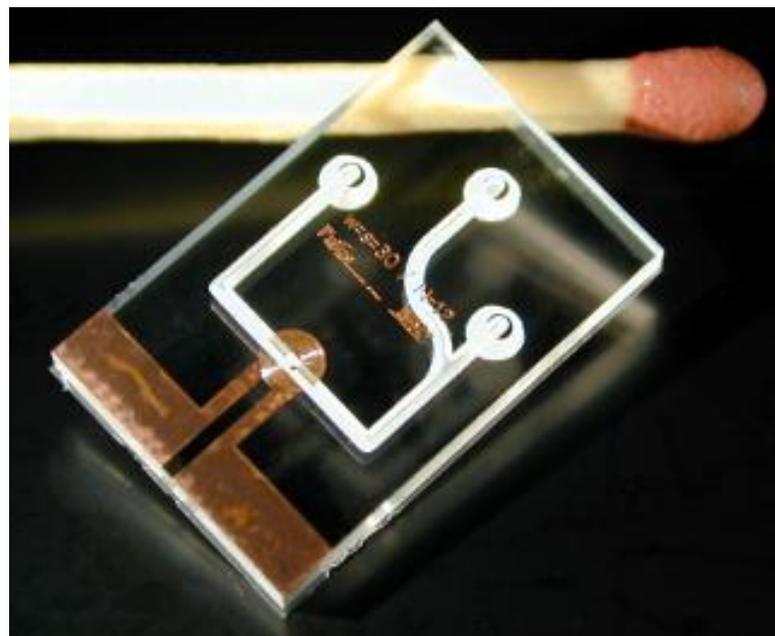
# Pulsed NMR measurement



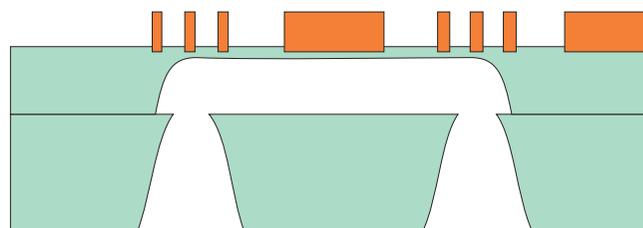
# Micro NMR



Solenoidal NMR microcoil wound around capillary  
<http://www.protasis.com/>



Microcoil on microfluidic glass chip  
H. Wensink e.a. Lab Chip 5, 3005, 280

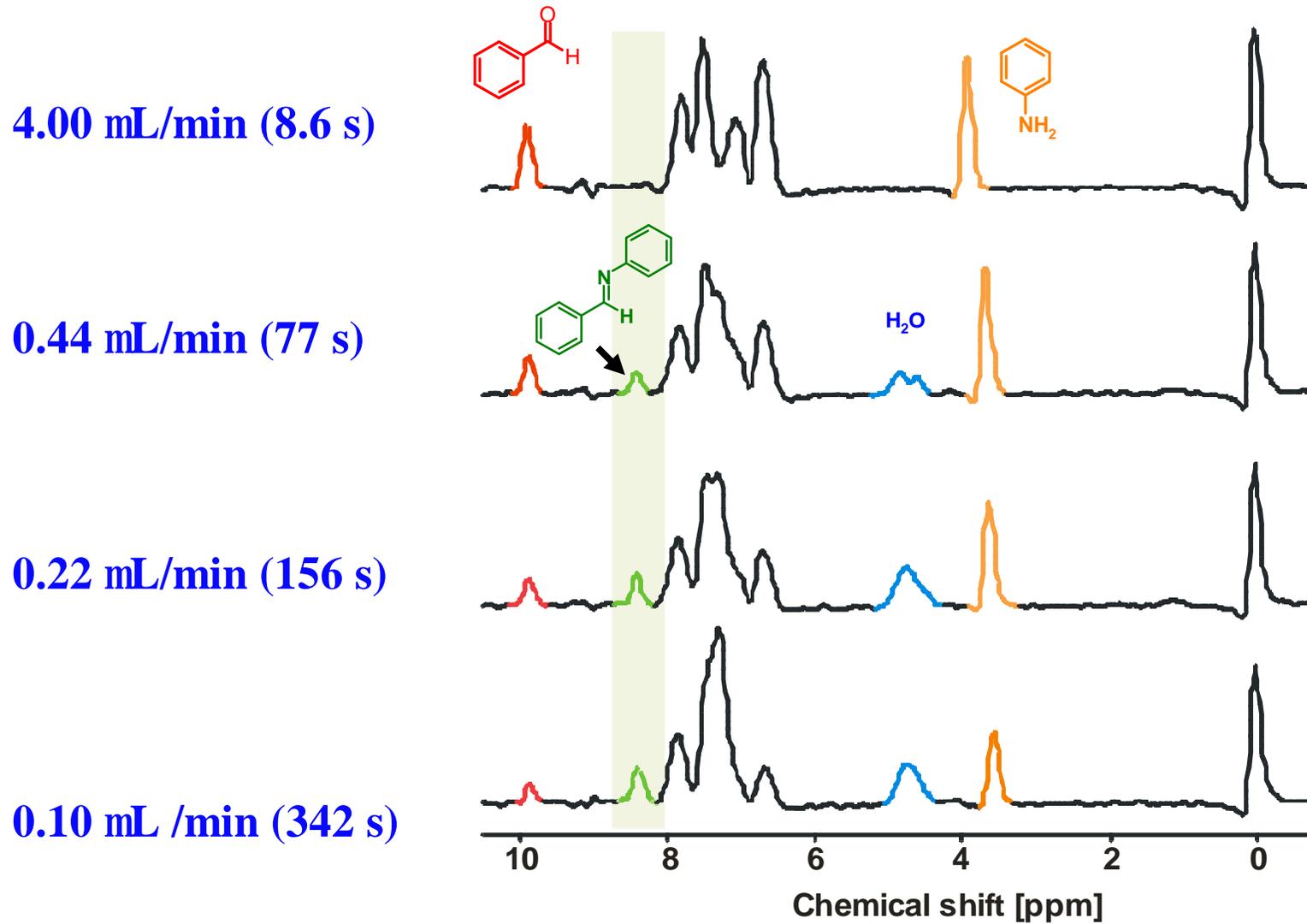


**Reaction chamber volume: 570 nl**

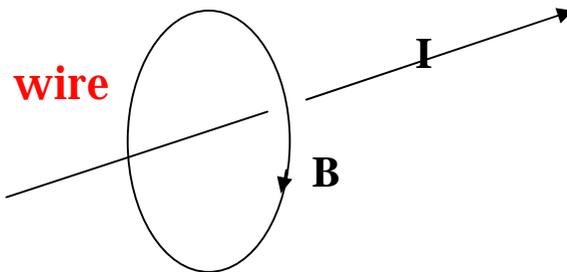
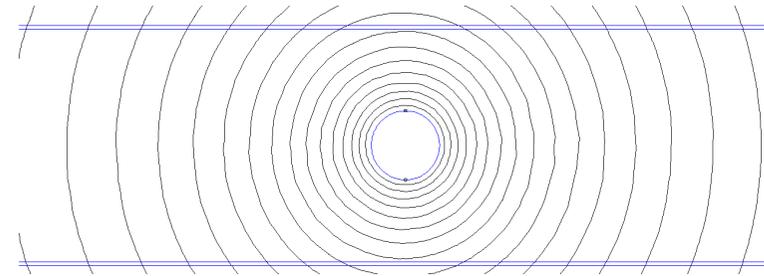
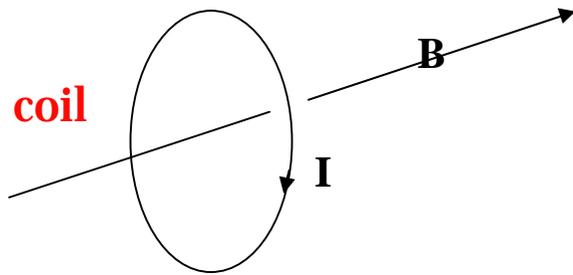
**Detection volume: 56 nl**

**Minimum time from mixer to coil: 0.9 sec**

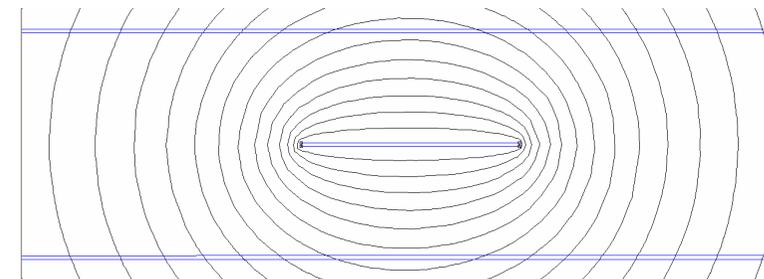
# Reaction monitoring



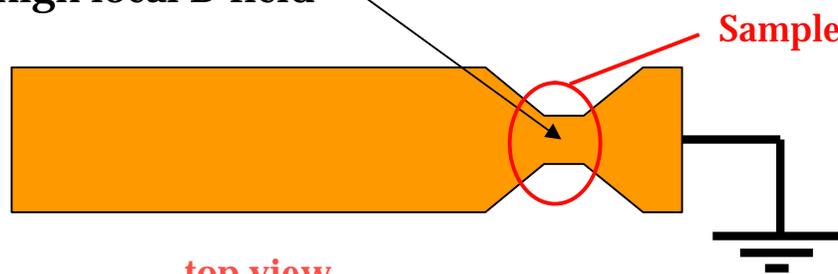
# New concept: "wire" instead of coil



flatten the wire

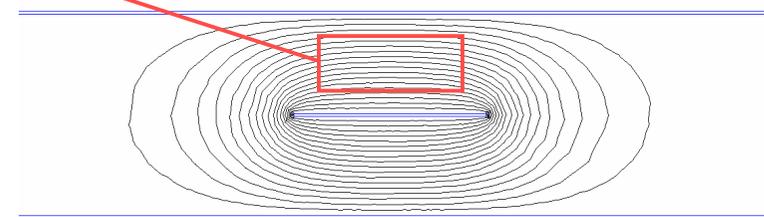


High current density:  
high local B-field



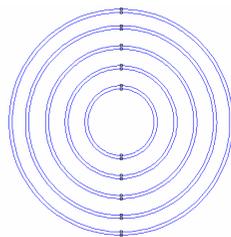
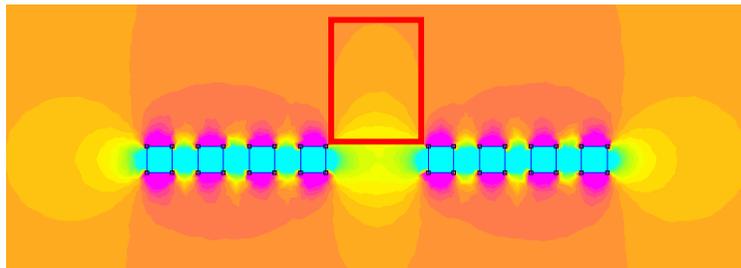
top view

confine field by mirrors

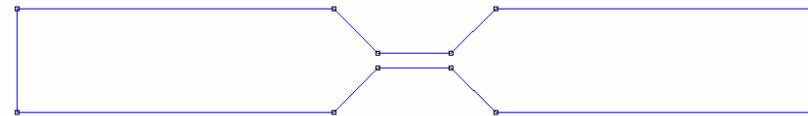
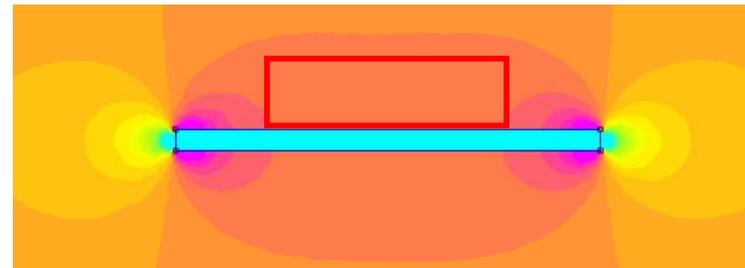


cross-sectional view

# Spectral resolution: coil vs. r.f. stripline



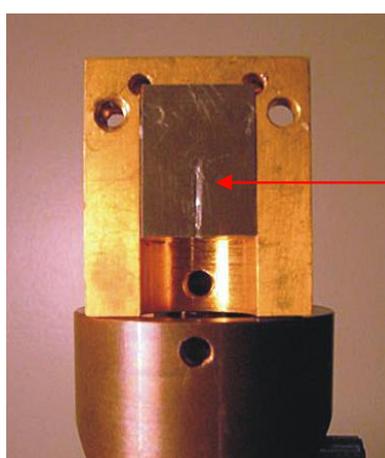
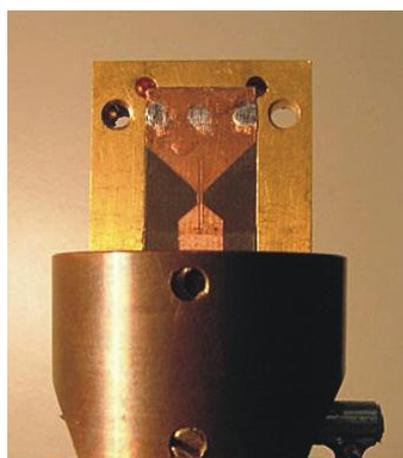
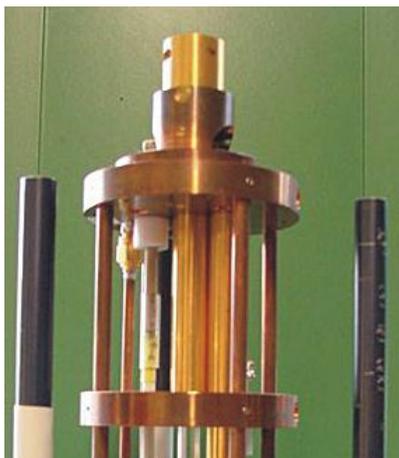
microcoil



r.f. stripline

**$B_0$ -field distortion is lower  $\rightarrow$  higher resolution**

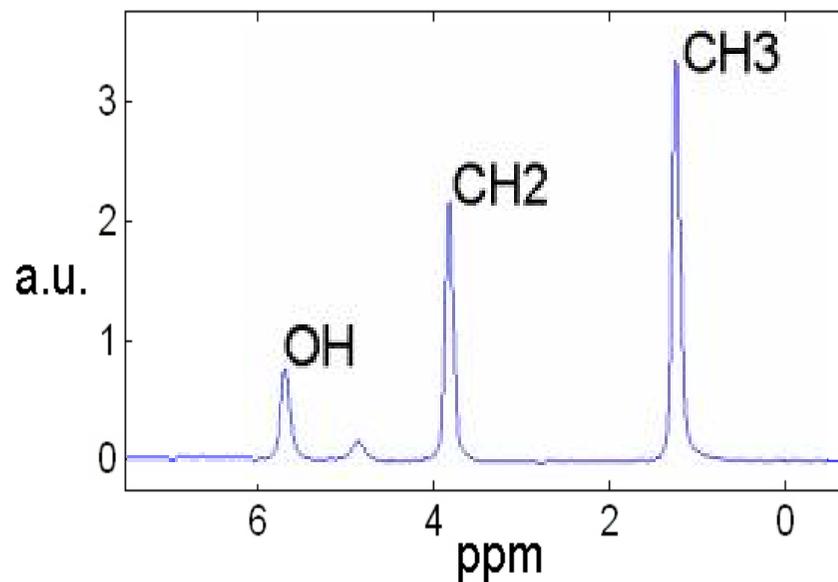
# Prototype on PCB for liquid NMR



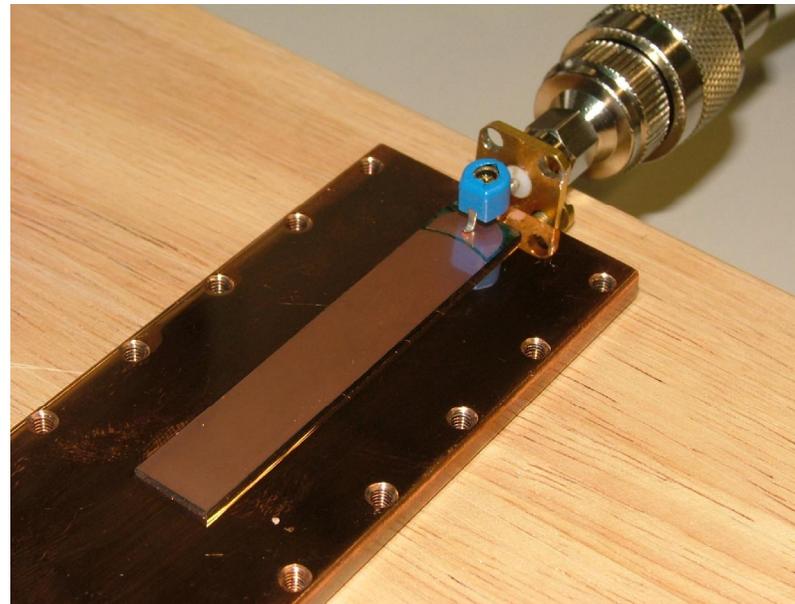
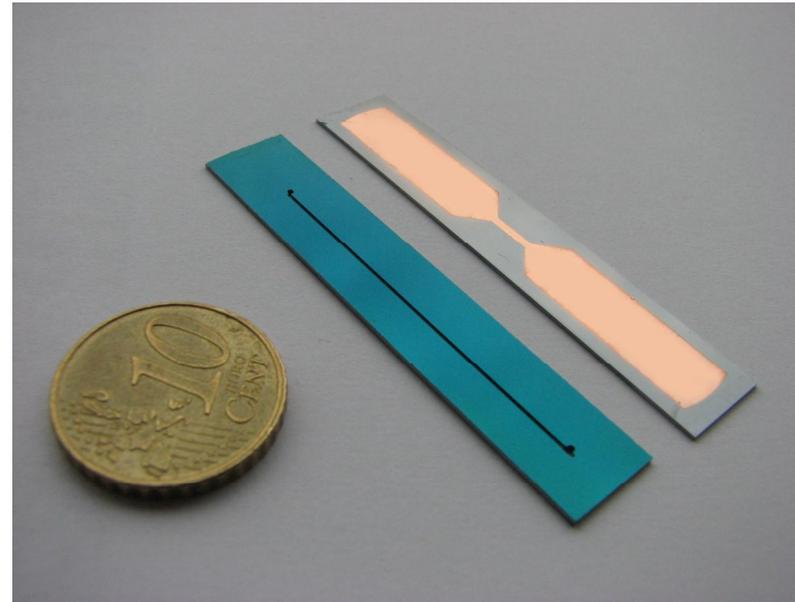
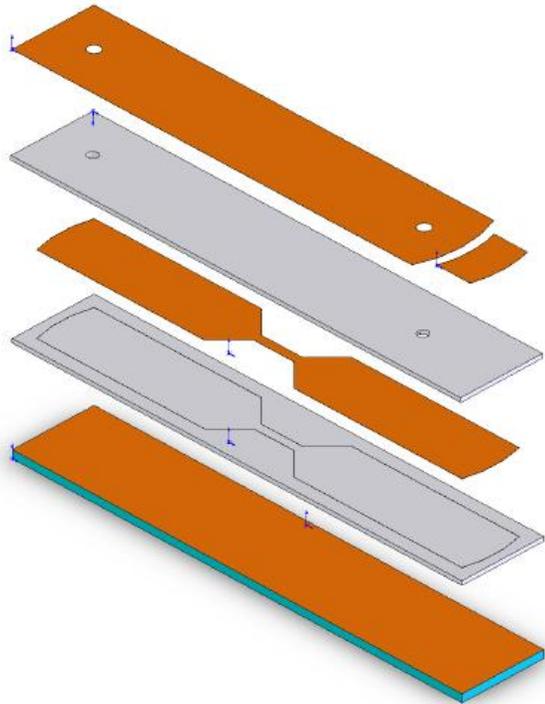
capillary on metal line

Sample: ethanol (VLSI-grade)  
Volume: 10 nl  
SNR: ~ 785  
Power: 5 W  
FWHM: 0.07 ppm(40 Hz)  
LOD:  $2 \cdot 10^{13}$  spins/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$   
Single scan !

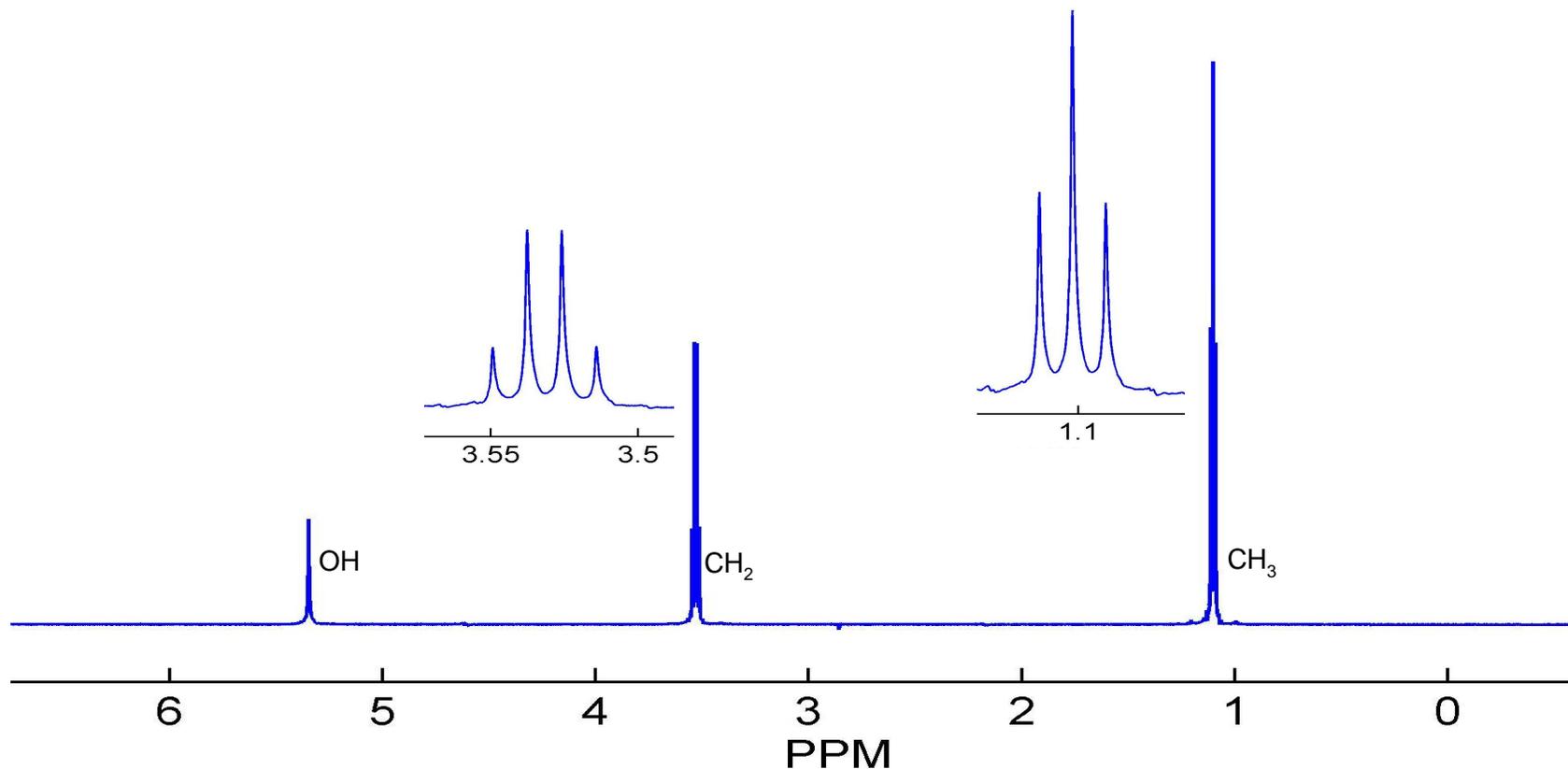
J. van Bentum e.a. J. Magn. Reson. (minor rev.)



# Si stripline chip with microfluidic channel

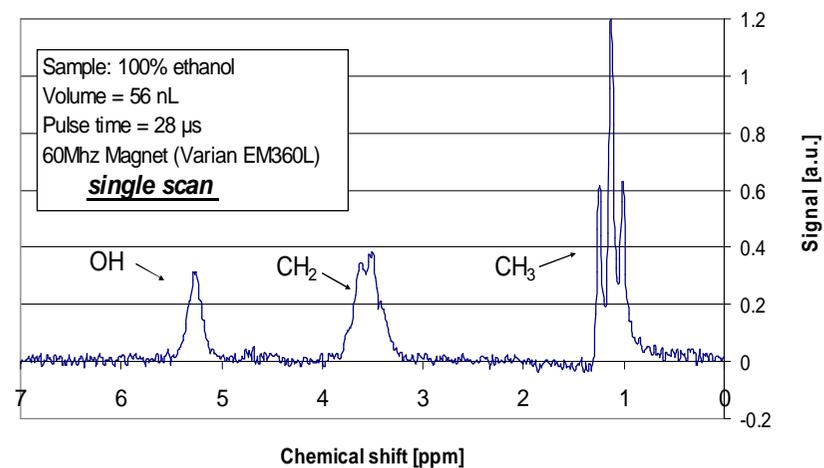


# NMR stripline spectrum of ethanol



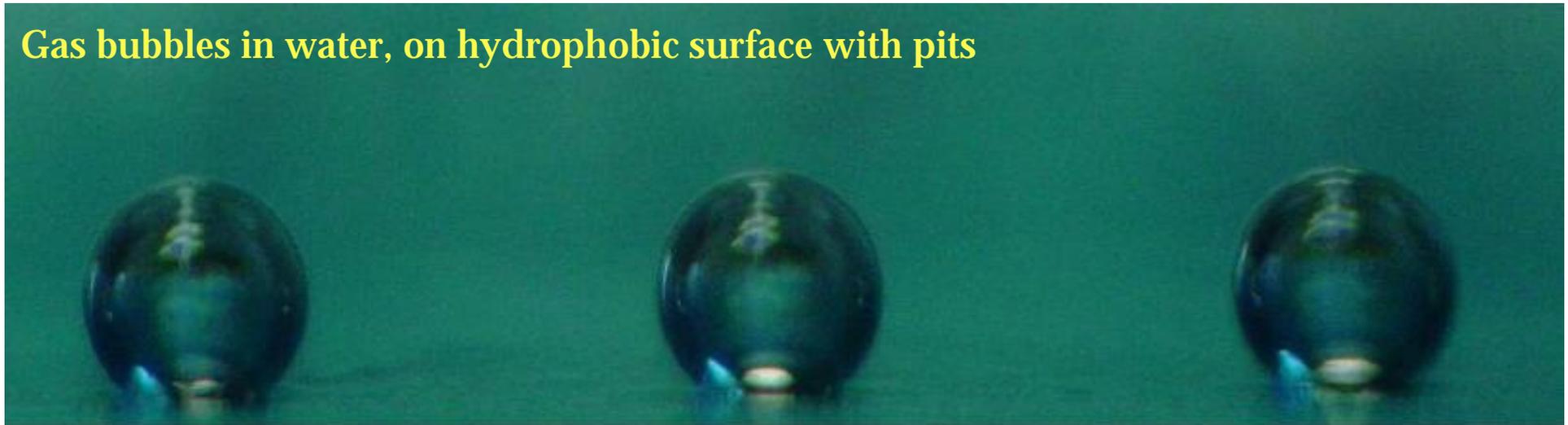
Top: 600 MHz, single scan; J. Bart 2007

Bottom: 60 MHz, single scan; H. Wensink 2004



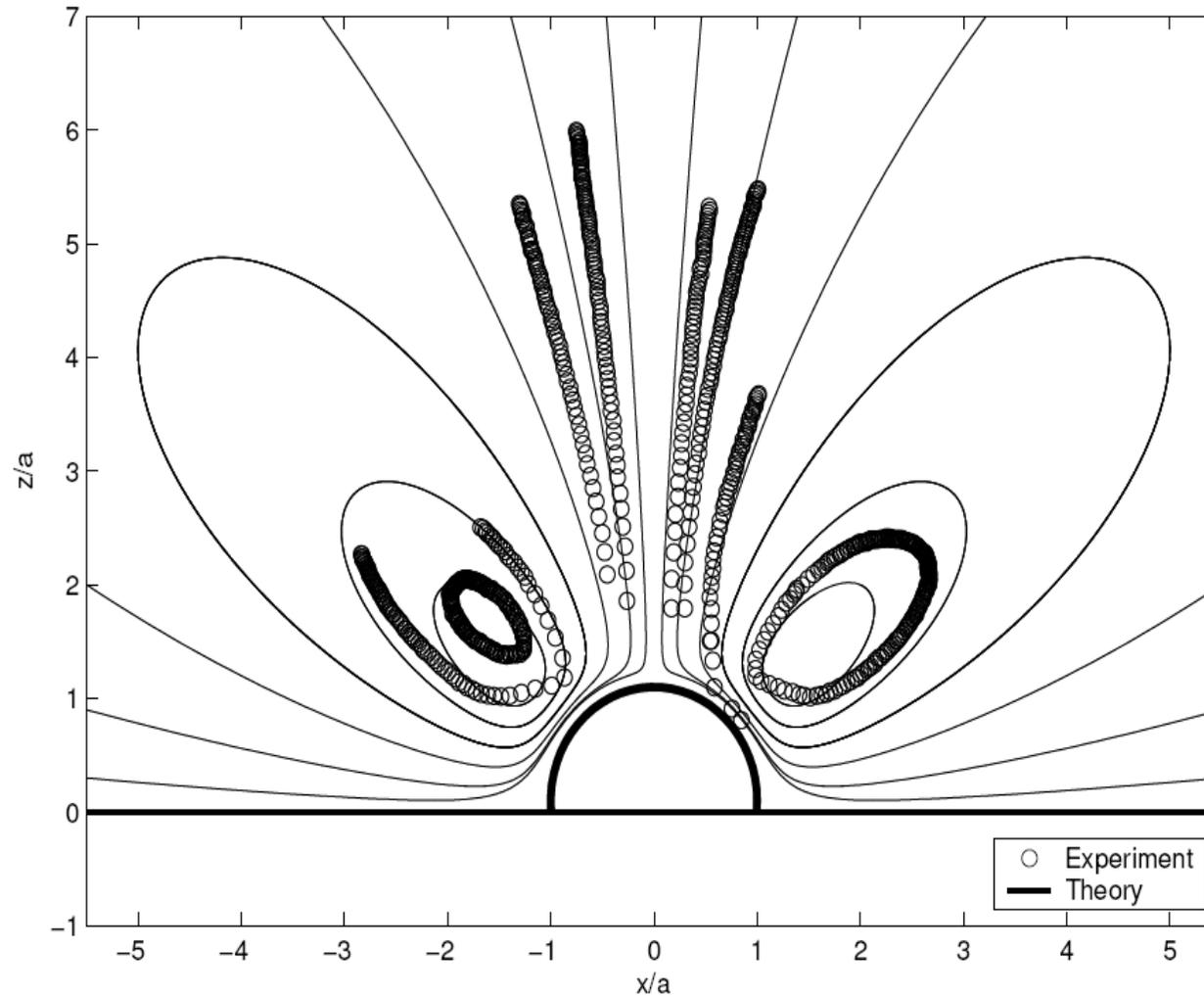
# Microfluidics under sound control

Gas bubbles in water, on hydrophobic surface with pits

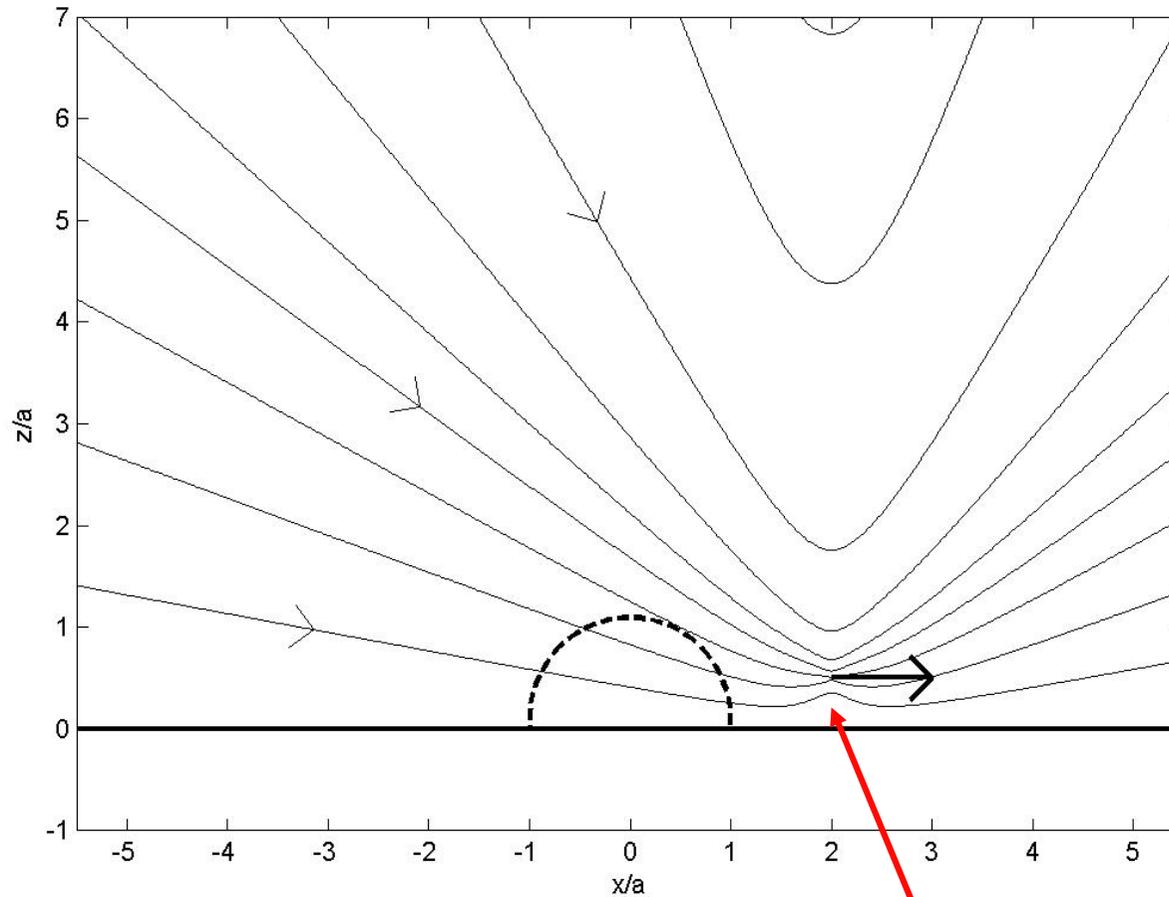


P. Marmottant & S. Hilgenfeldt, *Nature* 423, 2003, 153 and *PNAS* 101, 2004, 9523  
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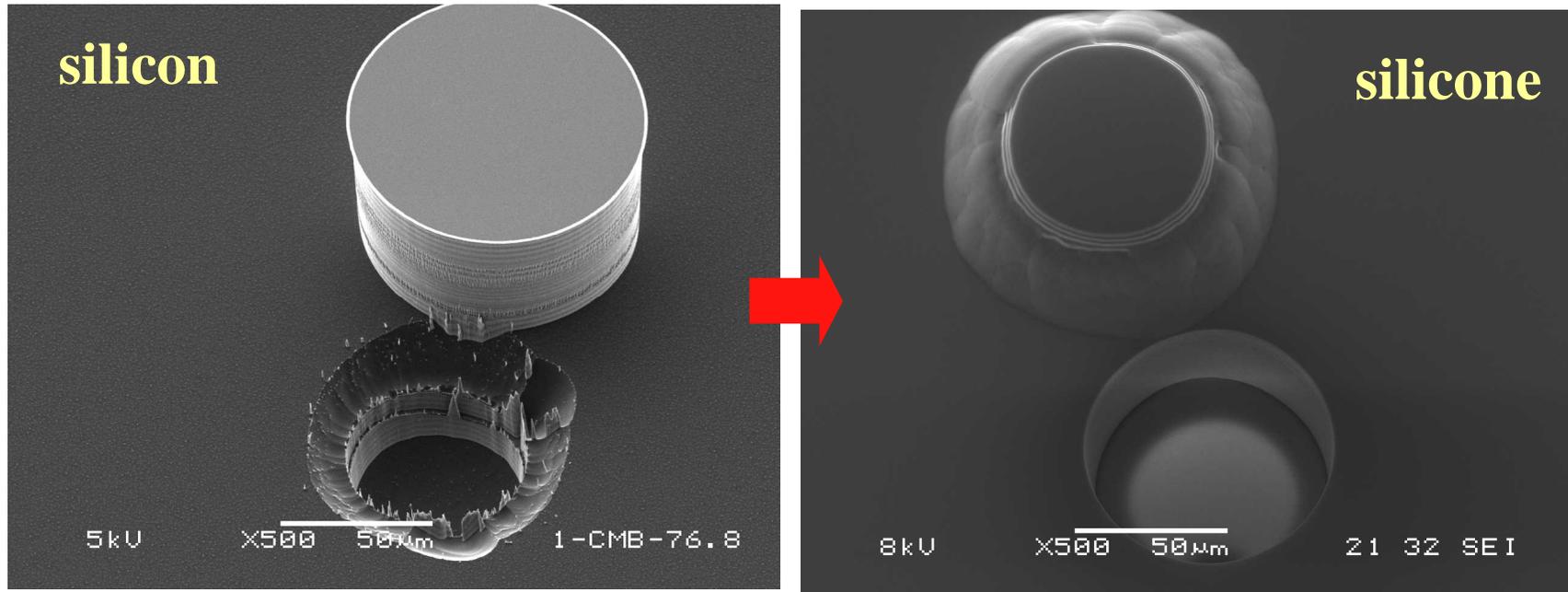
# Oscillating gas bubble in liquid



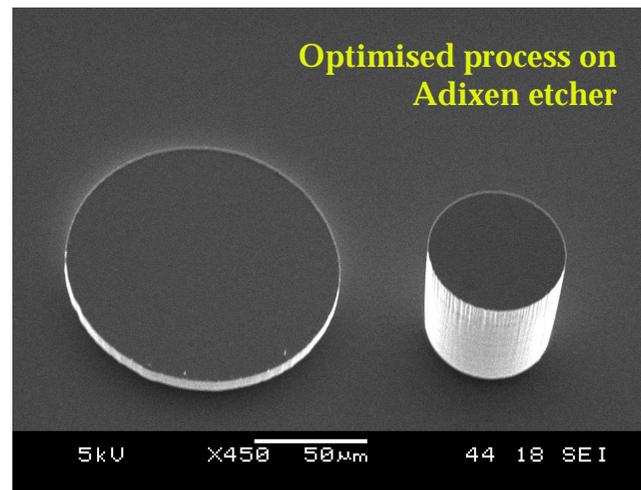
# Asymmetric flow pattern



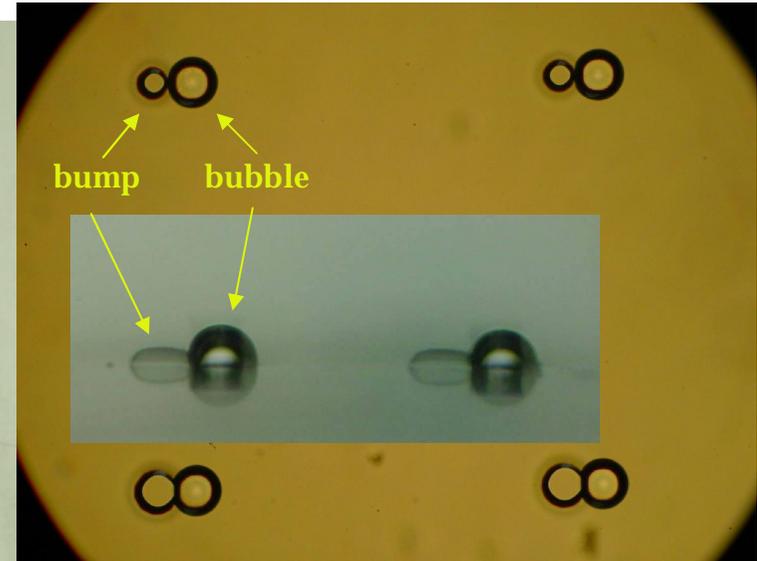
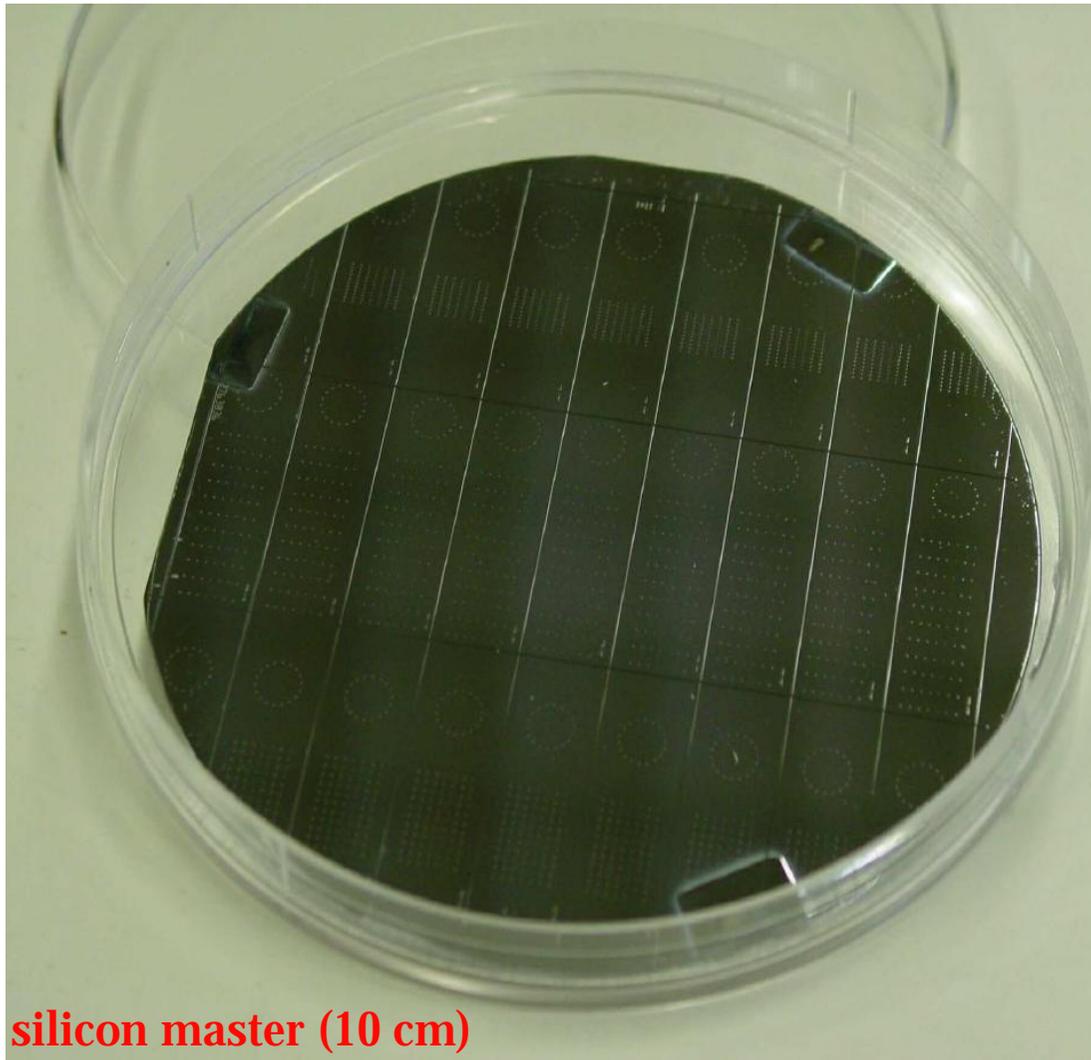
# From silicon to silicone



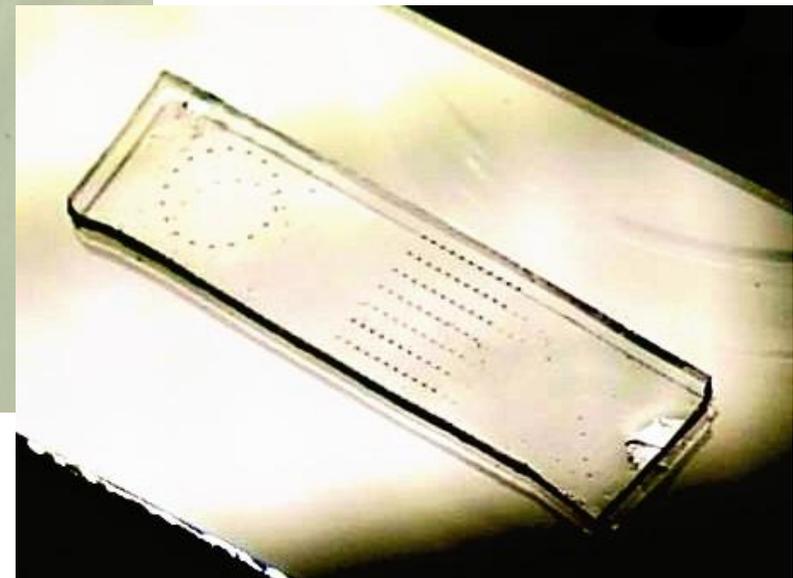
P.S. silicone = PDMS



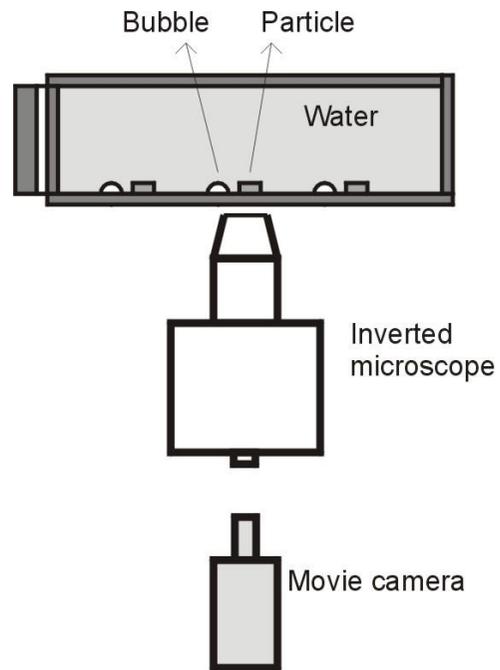
# Microfabricated pit-bump combi's



PDMS replica



# Bubble-powered transport



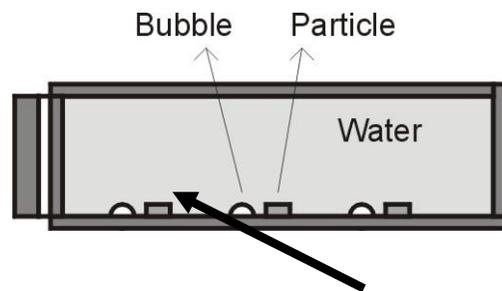
Transported material:  
 $r = 1\mu\text{m}$  tracer particles

Bottom view



$f \approx 40\text{ kHz}$

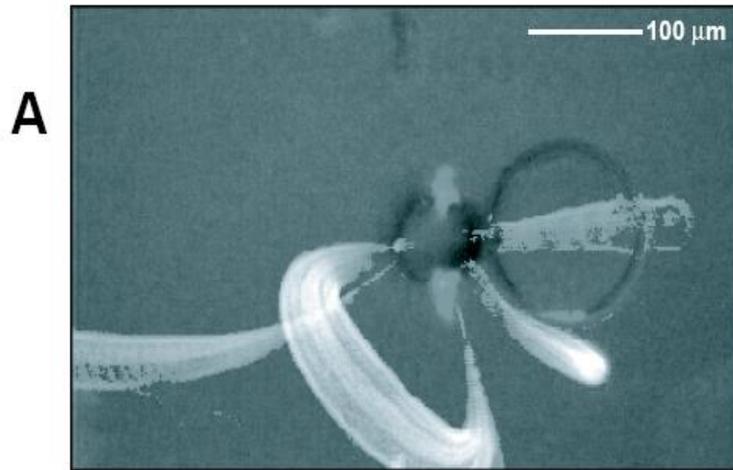
# Bubble-powered transport



Side view



# Particle and cell treatment



**Fluorescent bead transport**

