

POLYCAPILLARY APPLICATIONS FOR TOMOGRAPHIC STUDIES

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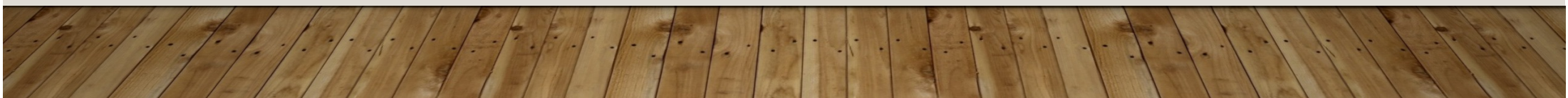
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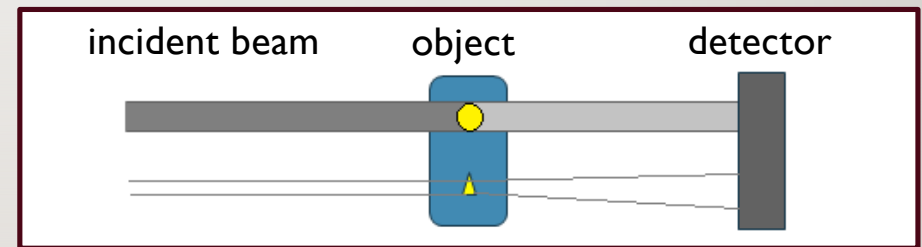
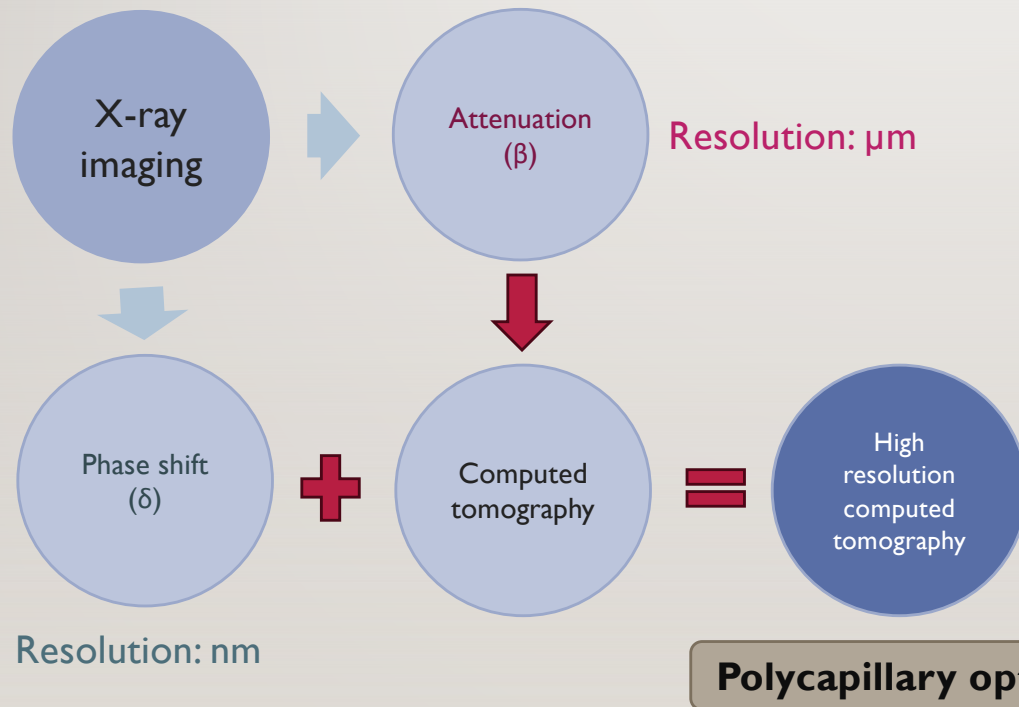
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$$n = 1 - \delta + i\beta$$

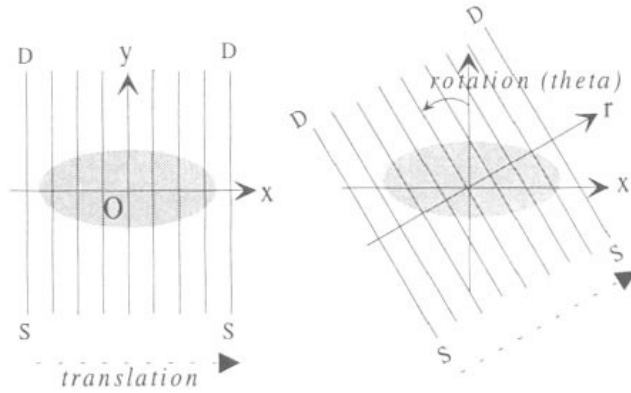
$$\beta = \frac{n_a r_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} f_2^0(\omega)$$

$$\delta = \frac{n_a r_e \lambda^2}{2\pi} f_1^0(\omega)$$

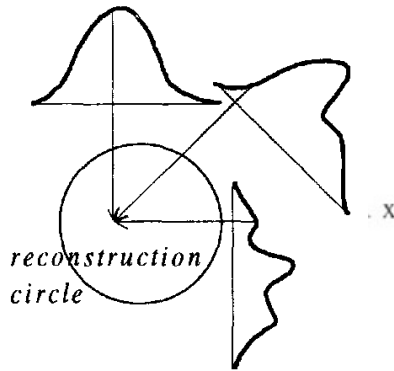
β	δ
$10^{-9} - 10^{-10}$	$10^{-6} - 10^{-7}$

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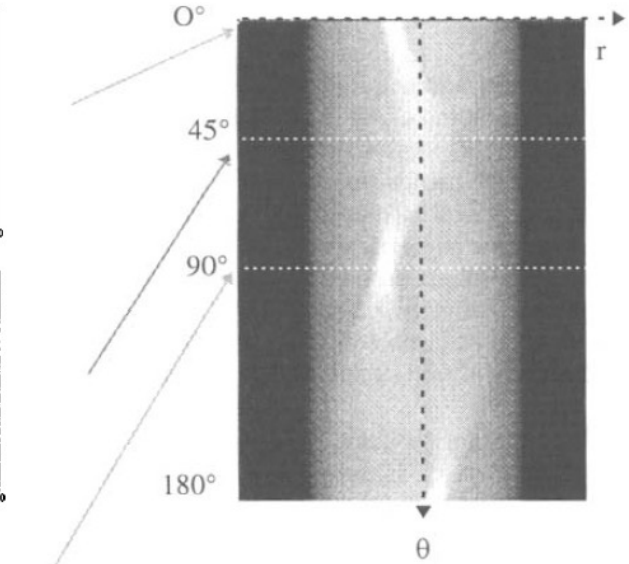
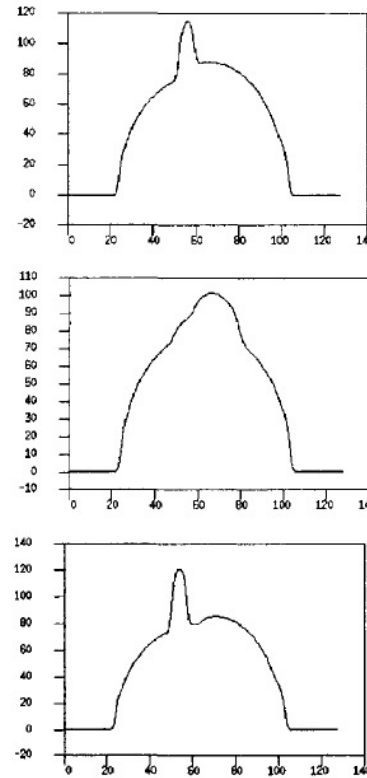
INTRODUCTION



Acquisition of multiple projection images (θ angle)



Reconstructed image of the object



Sinogram: set of projections over 180°

5 INTRODUCTION

- Channeling
 - Charged particles: crystals
 - X-rays: Polycapillary Optics



Dabagov S, Gladkikh YP, Radiat. Phys. Chem. 154, 3-16 (2019).

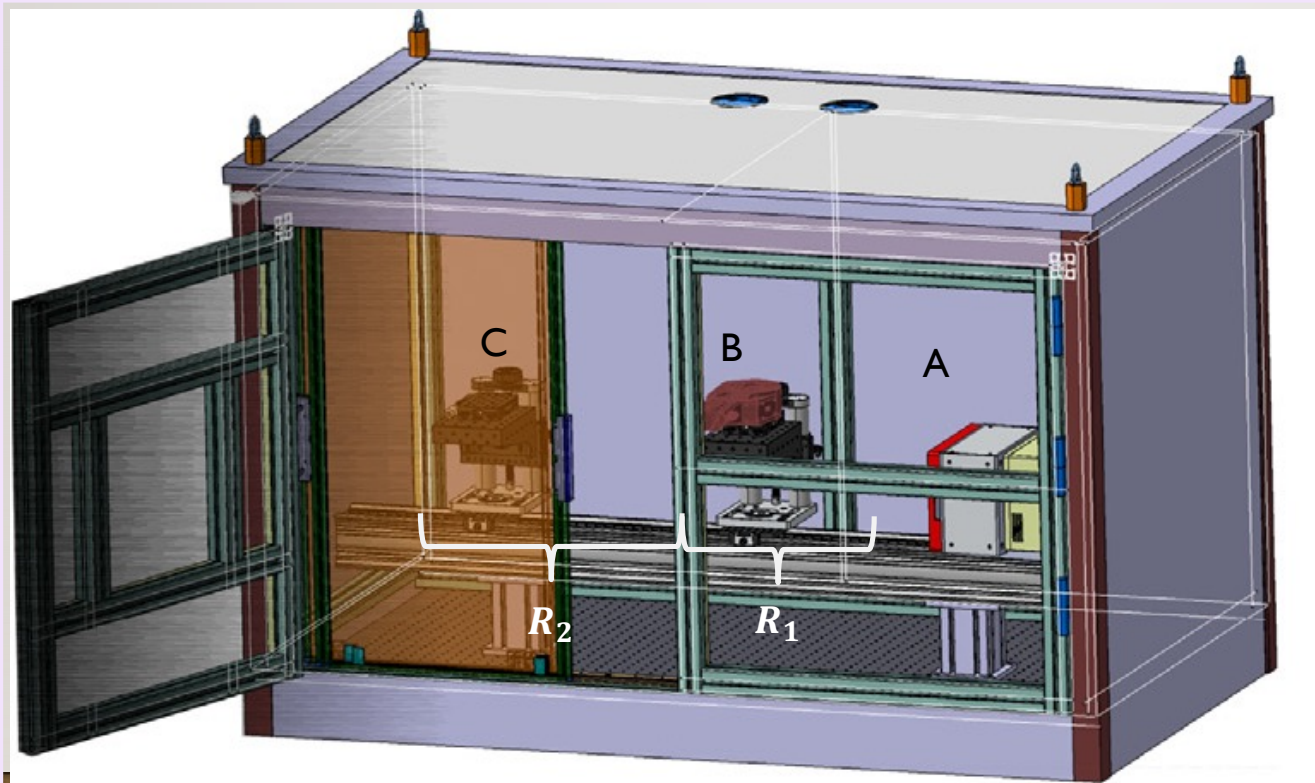
Objective

- To show the potential of polycapillary advanced optics (polyCO) for phase contrast imaging and tomography.

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EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

Computed Tomography Station (CTS), Xlab-Frascati



A: Microfocus source (5 μm spot size – 4 W)

B: Rotation stage (0.2° step)

C: CCD detector (10.4 μm pixel size)

Two geometries:

- **Attenuation:** $R_2 = 115 \text{ mm}$
 $M = 2$ Resolution 2-3 μm
- **Phase shift:** $R_2 = 760 \text{ mm}$
 $M = 8$ Resolution $< 1 \mu\text{m}$

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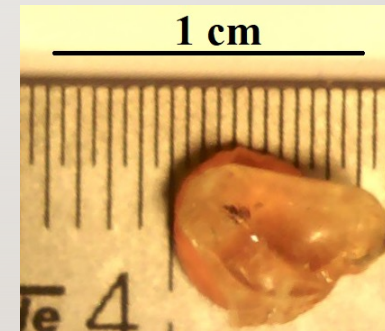
CT ACQUISITIONS

Hexagonal screw (3 mm diameter)



Attenuation

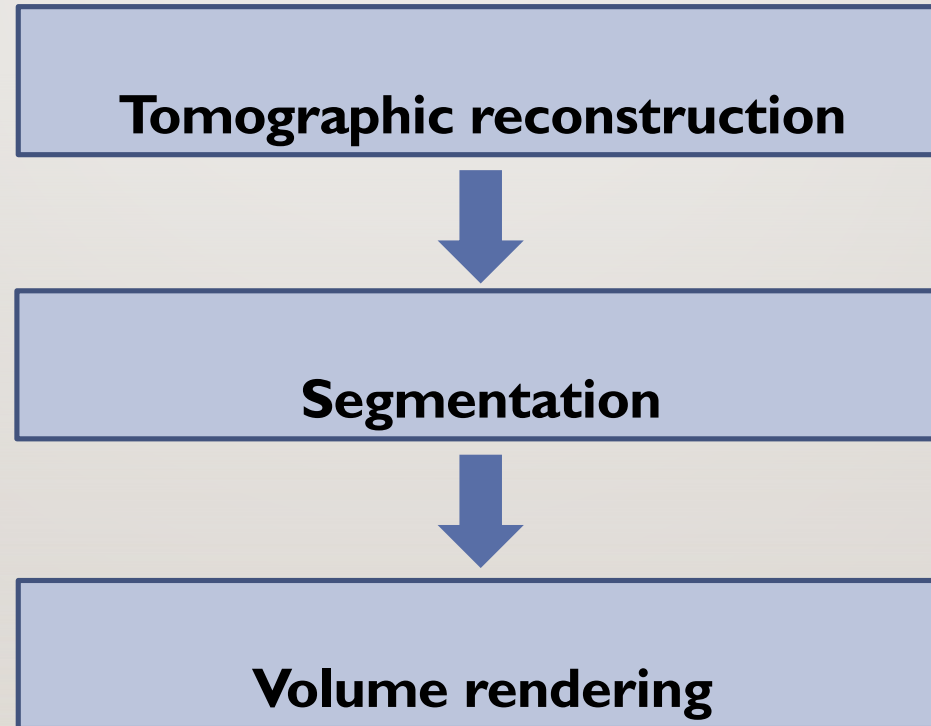
Insect (0.5 mm length)



Phase contrast

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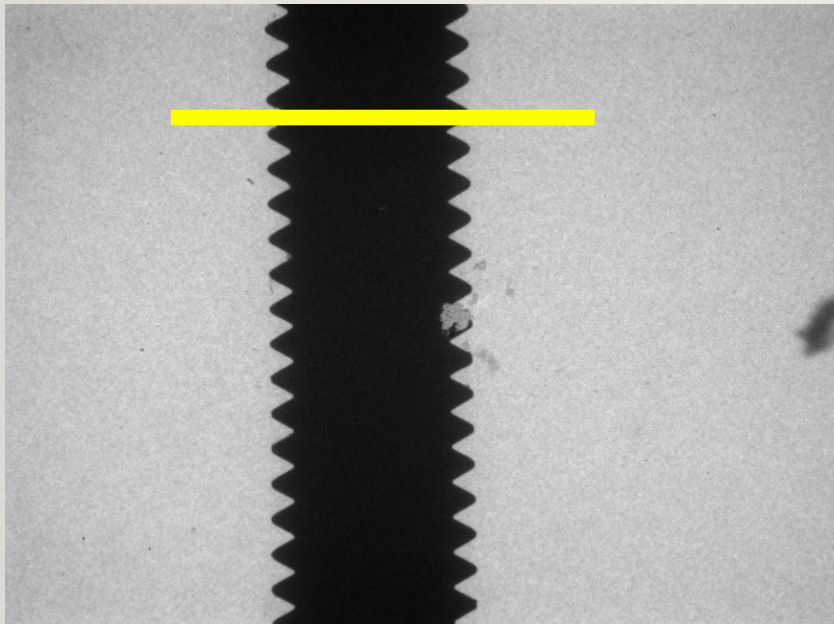
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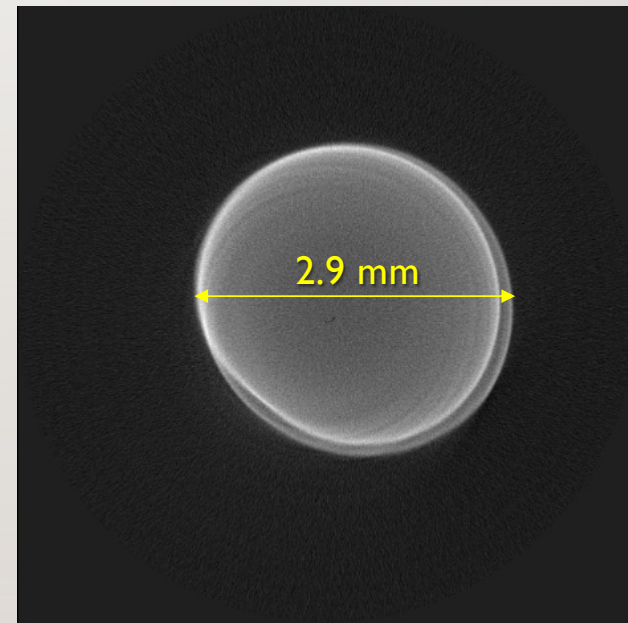
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ATTENUATION-BASED CT

Projection images



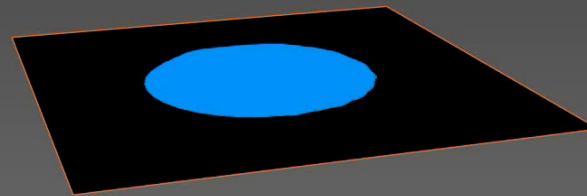
Tomographic slice



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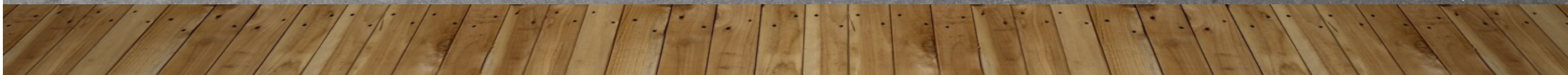
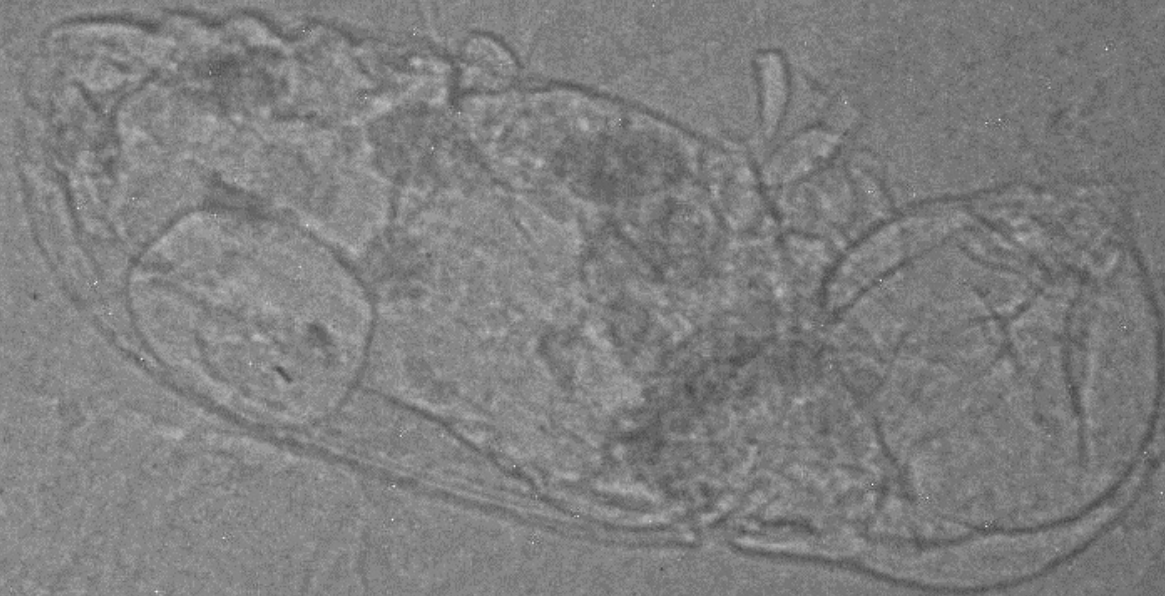
Segmentation
and volume
rendering
allowed to
identify screw
helical thread





PHASE CONTRAST CT

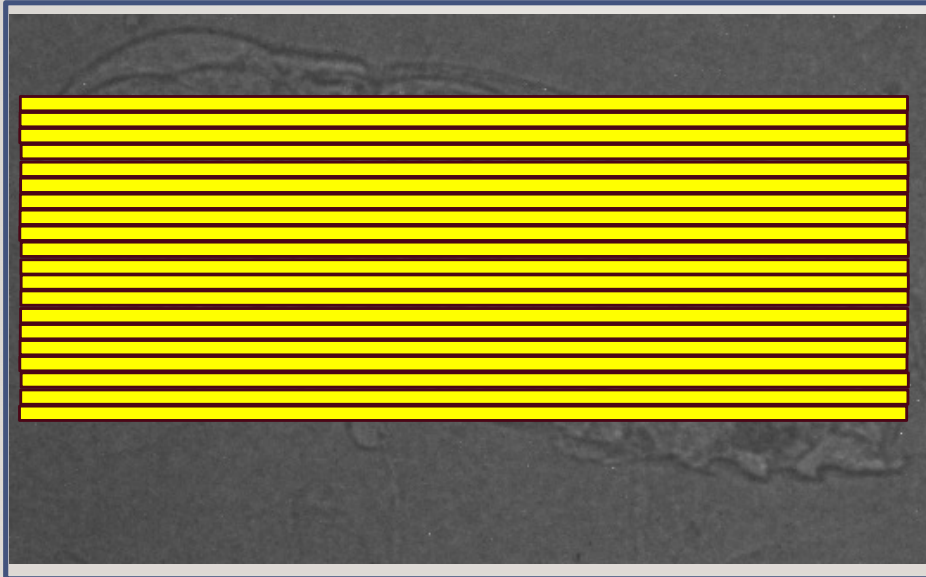
Projections images over 360° of an insect embedded in amber



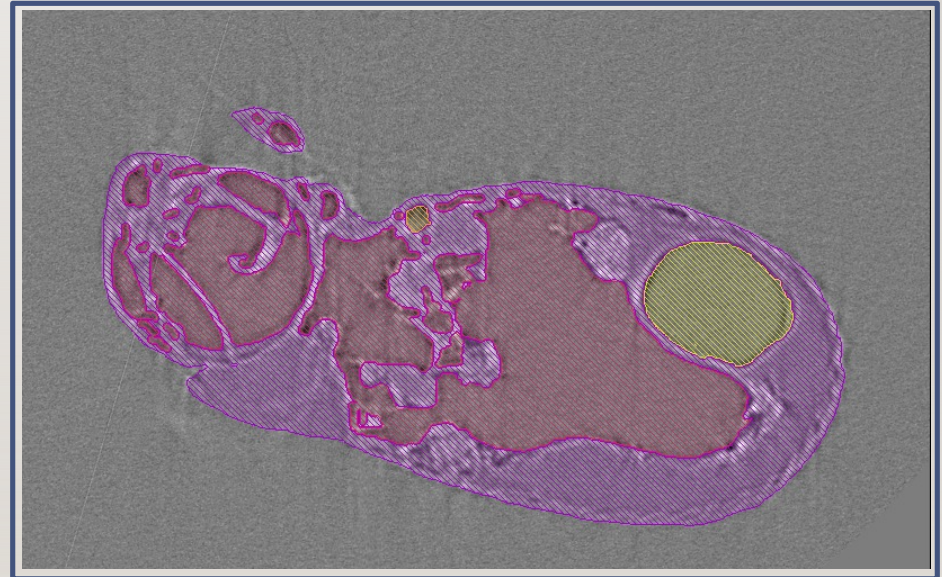
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PHASE CONTRAST CT

Tomographic reconstruction

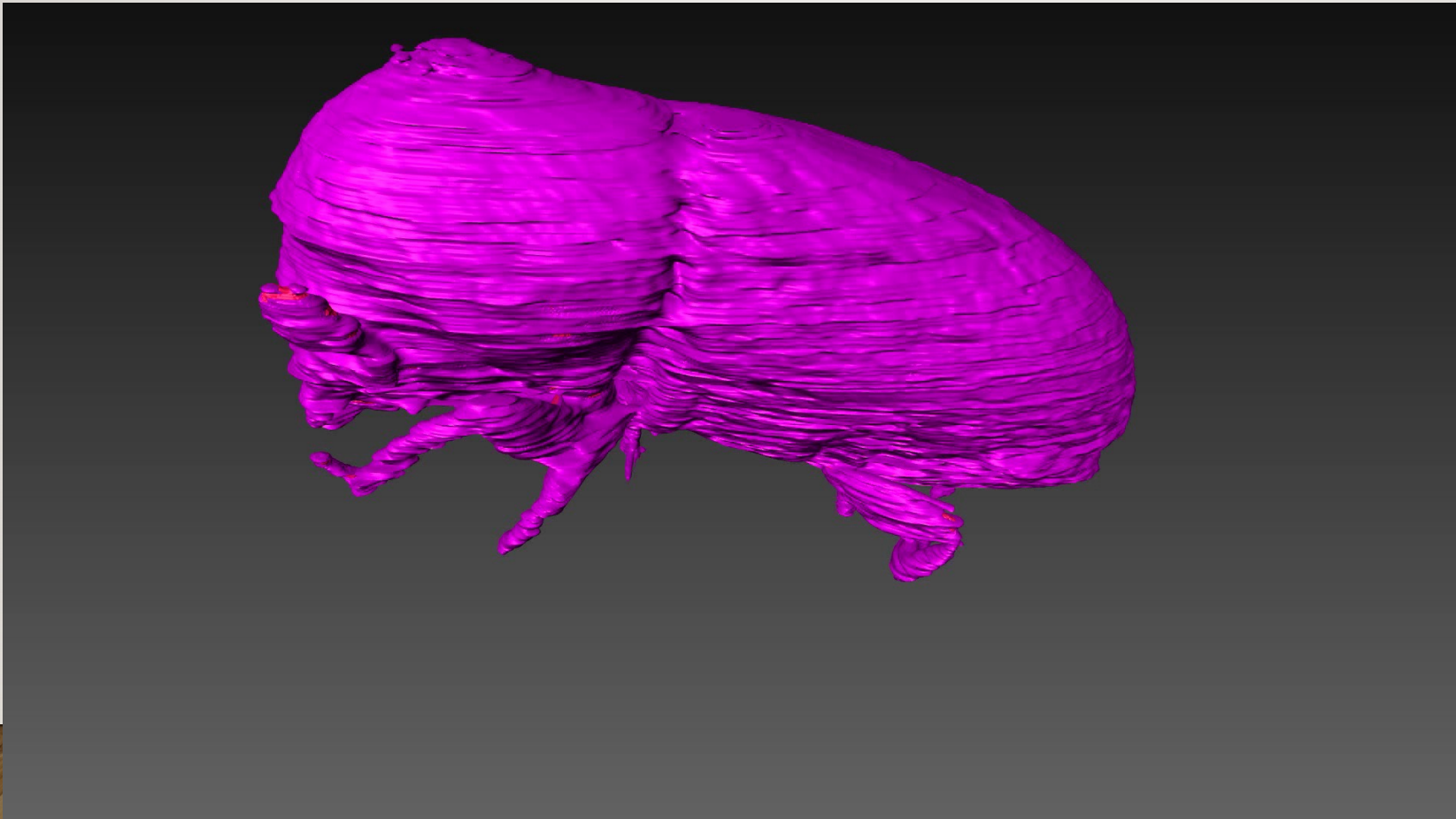


Segmentation



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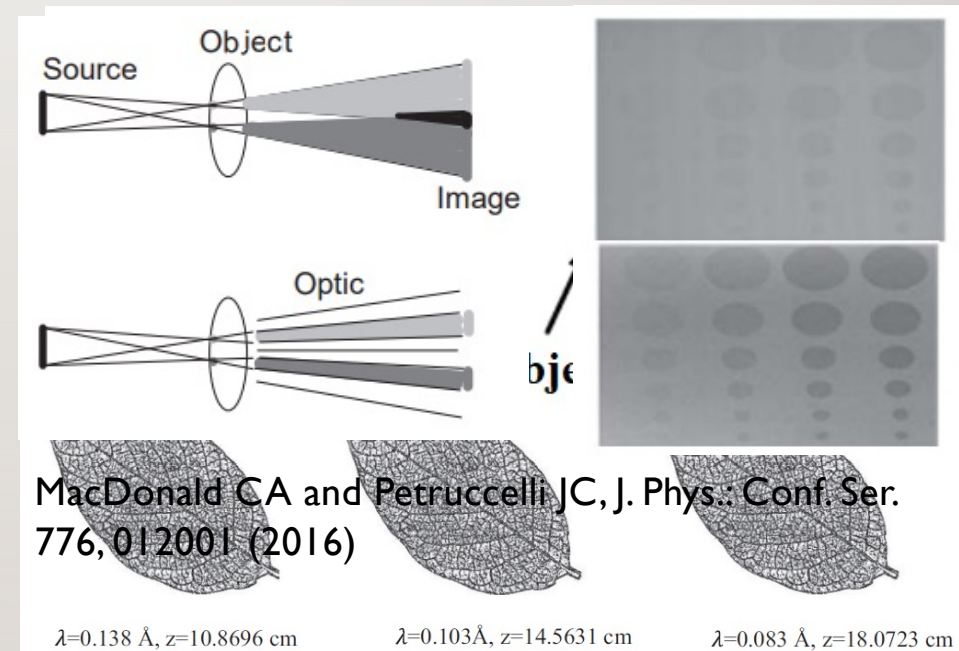
PHASE CONTRAST CT



Volume rendering enabled to identify **six paws, pair of antennae** and **mouthparts** of a 0.5 mm long insect.

14 POLYCAPILLARY APPLICATIONS

- Production of parallel beams
 - Extension of measurements normally performed at synchrotrons
- Removal of scattered radiation
 - Increase in signal-to-noise ratio
- Use as two-dimensional gratings in phase contrast imaging
 - Improvement in source efficiency



Sun et al., Opt. Com. 356, 202-207 (2015).

CONCLUSIONS

This experimental setup allowed to obtain high resolution tomographic images using a desktop X-ray system.

Attenuation-based CT

- Helical thread structure was observed in screw volume rendering.

Phase contrast CT

- Volume rendering enabled to identify six paws, pair of antennae and mouthparts of a 0.5 mm long insect;
- Volume data of this kind allow biologists to study detailed morphological features in three dimensions.

Polycapillary applications

- Potential of **polycapillary optics** for phase contrast imaging and tomography.

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THANK YOU!

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