

# Dynamic deformation of a soft particle in dual-trap optical tweezers

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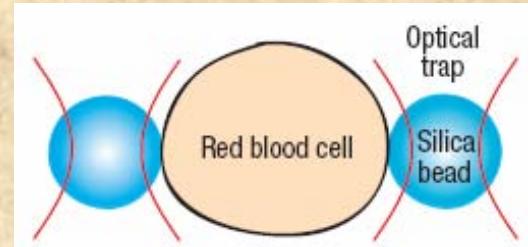
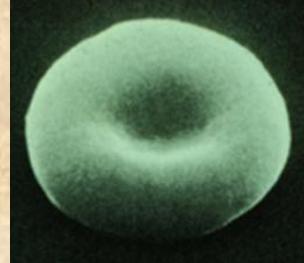
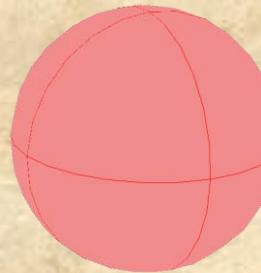
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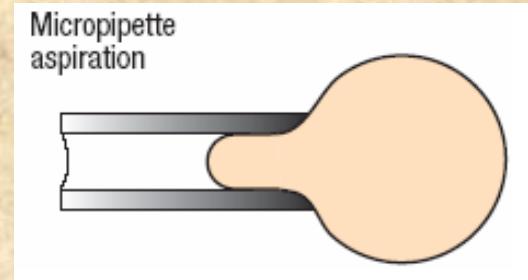
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# Cell elasticity measurement

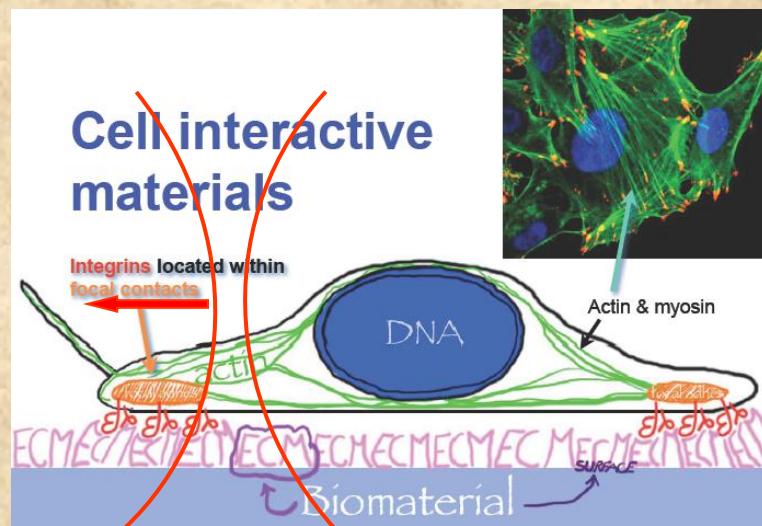
- Suspended cells:  
(Micro-Rheology)
  - Spherical RBC  
(swollen)
  - Biconcave RBC



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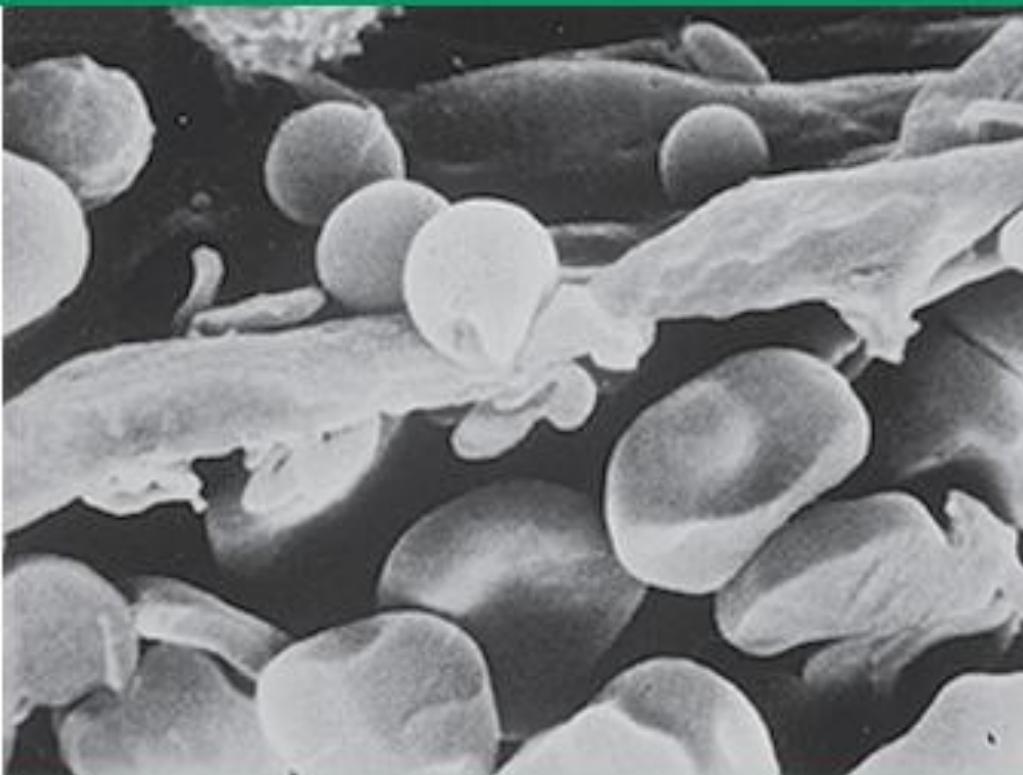


- Adhered cells  
(Tensegrity)

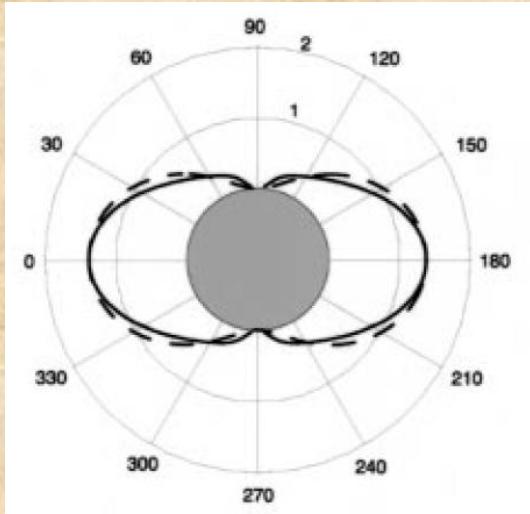


# Free RBC squeezed through hole

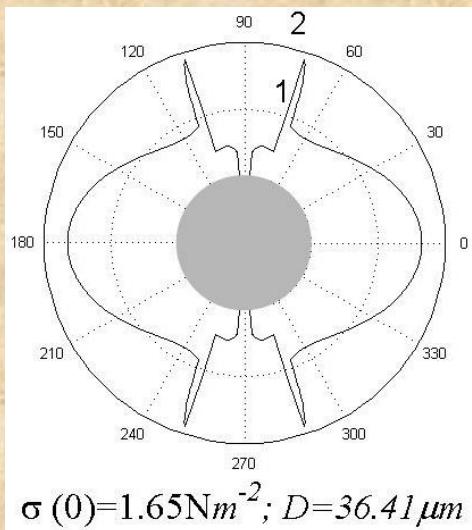
**Red blood cells in the spleen**



Scanning electron microphotograph of normal murine red blood cell passing from a splenic cord (below) through the sinusoidal barrier and into the splenic sinusoid (above). Note the deformation necessary to squeeze through the slit in the sinusoidal wall and how a surface area depleted spherocyte would be incapable of transversing the barrier. *Courtesy of Mohandas Narla, ScD.*

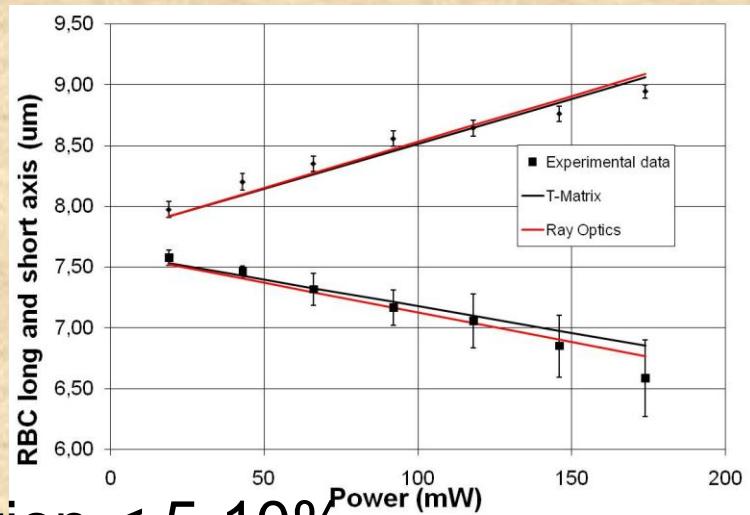
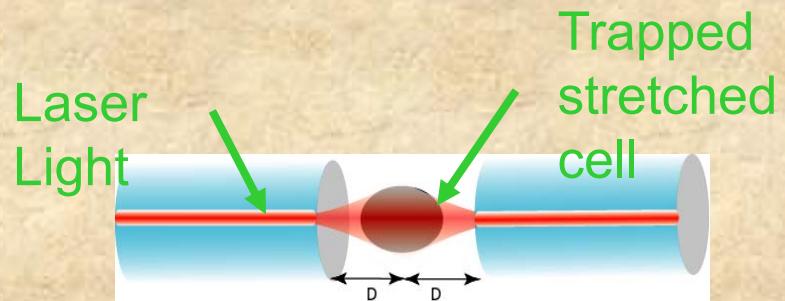


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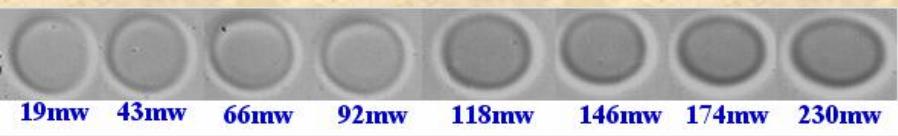


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# Optical fiber dual counter-propagating beam stretcher

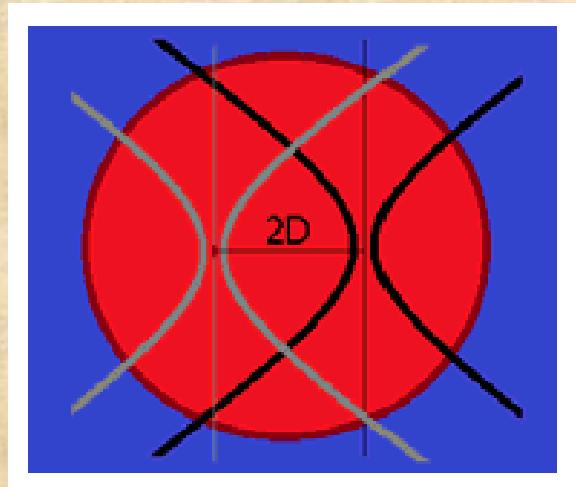


Deformation < 5-10%

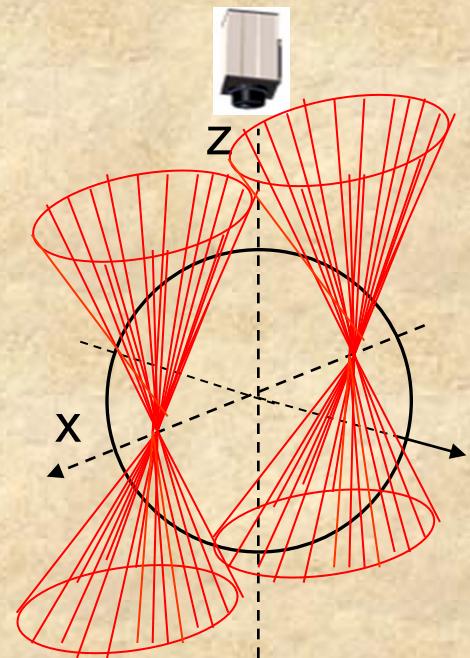


# Outline

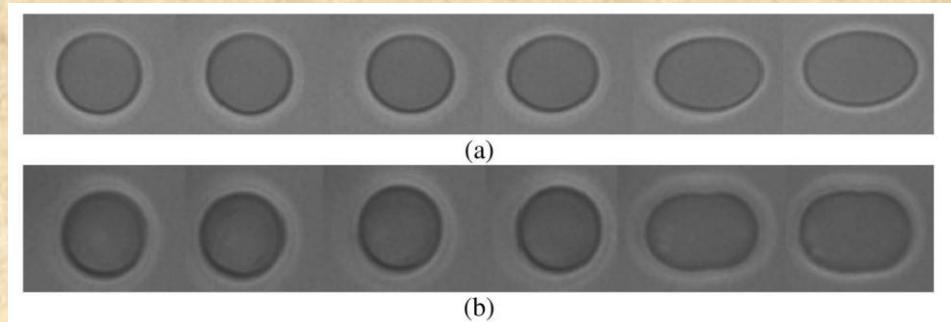
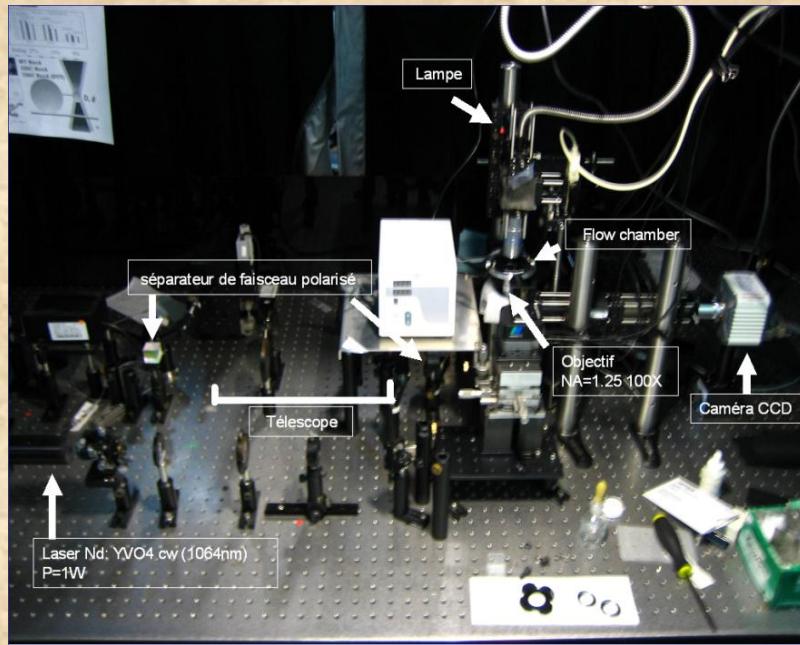
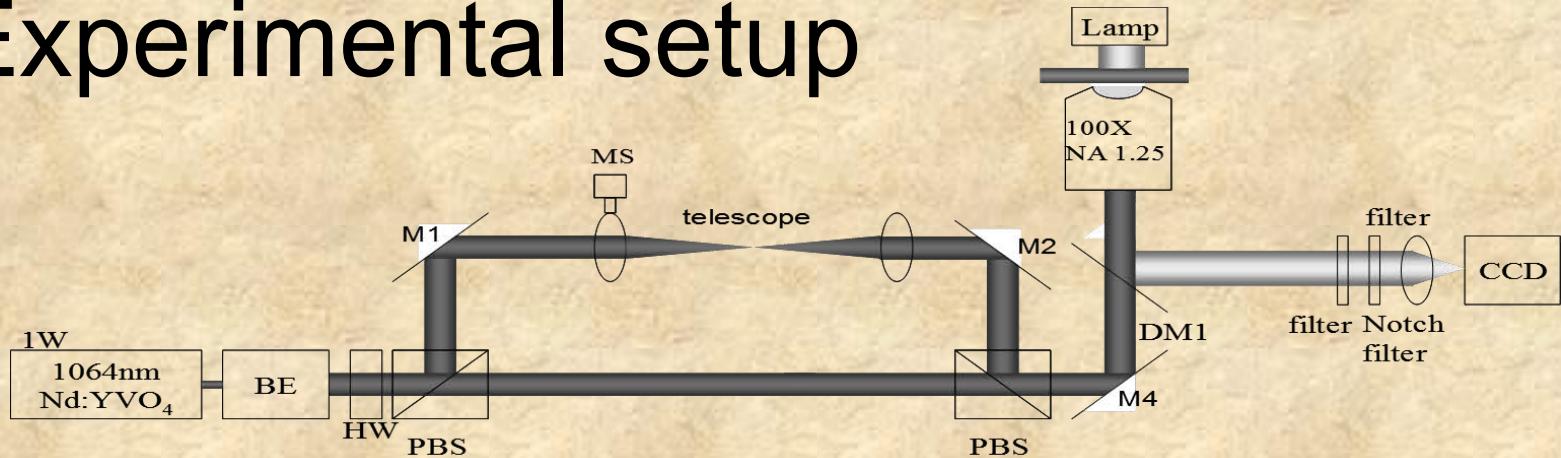
- Dual-trap tweezers experiments
- 3D stress distributions
  - Geometric Optics, Matlab
  - Generalized Mie Scattering theory
  - Comsol RF module, FDTD,
- 3D static deformation, Deformation 5-10%
  - analytical solution,
  - Comsol structural mechanics
- 3D Dynamic deformation
  - Comsol Multiphysics
- Fitting



Deformation 20 %



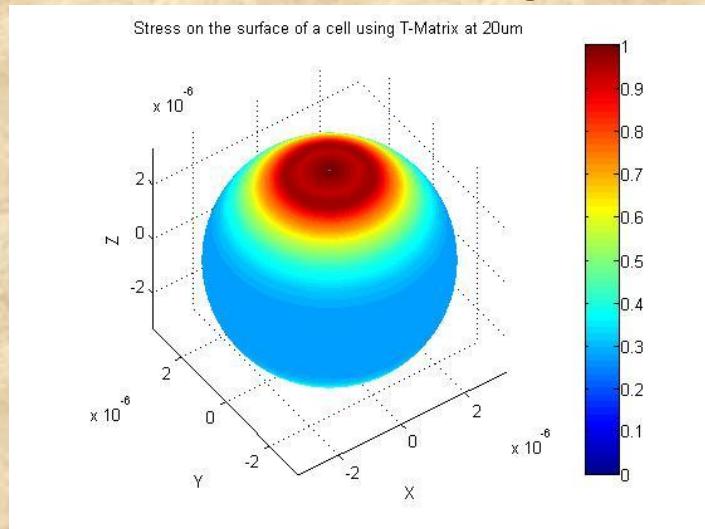
# Experimental setup



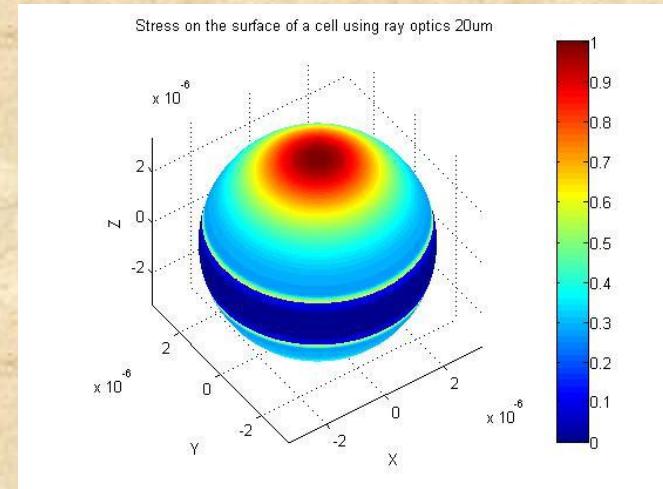
- Two laser beams with a controlled separation between their optical axes
- (a) Normal RBC; (b) RBC immersed in solution de 1mM de N-ethylmaleimide (NEM) solution for 30 minutes

# 3D stress distribution

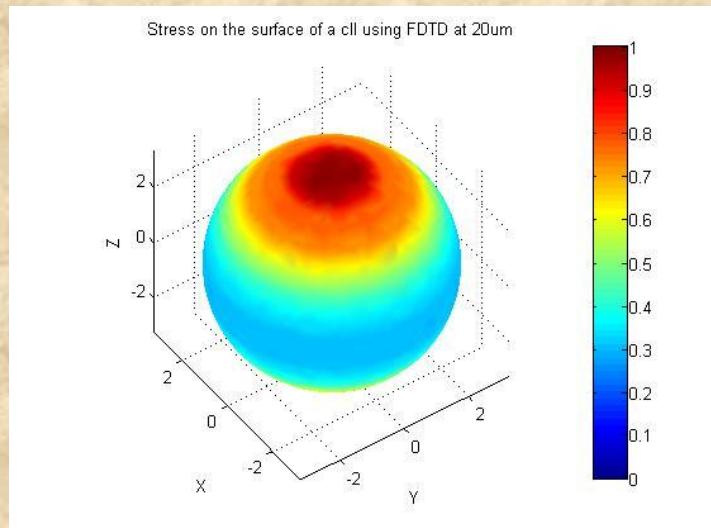
## Single beam centered



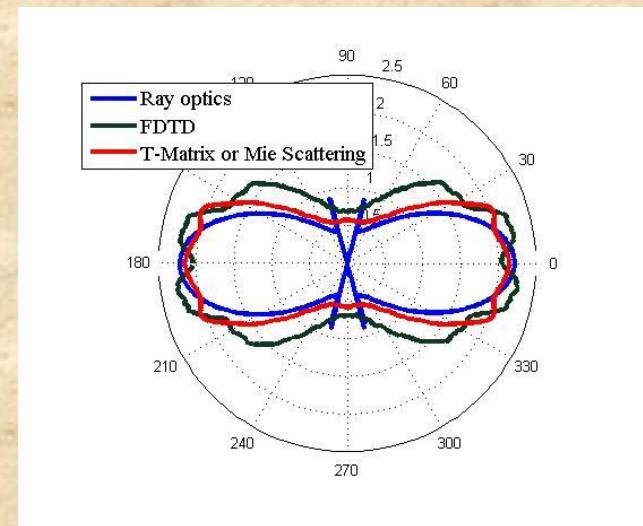
T-Matrix, Point Matching Method



Ray Tracing



FDTD



NA=0.16  
Dual Beams  
D=20um

# 3D stress, Dual-beam tweezers

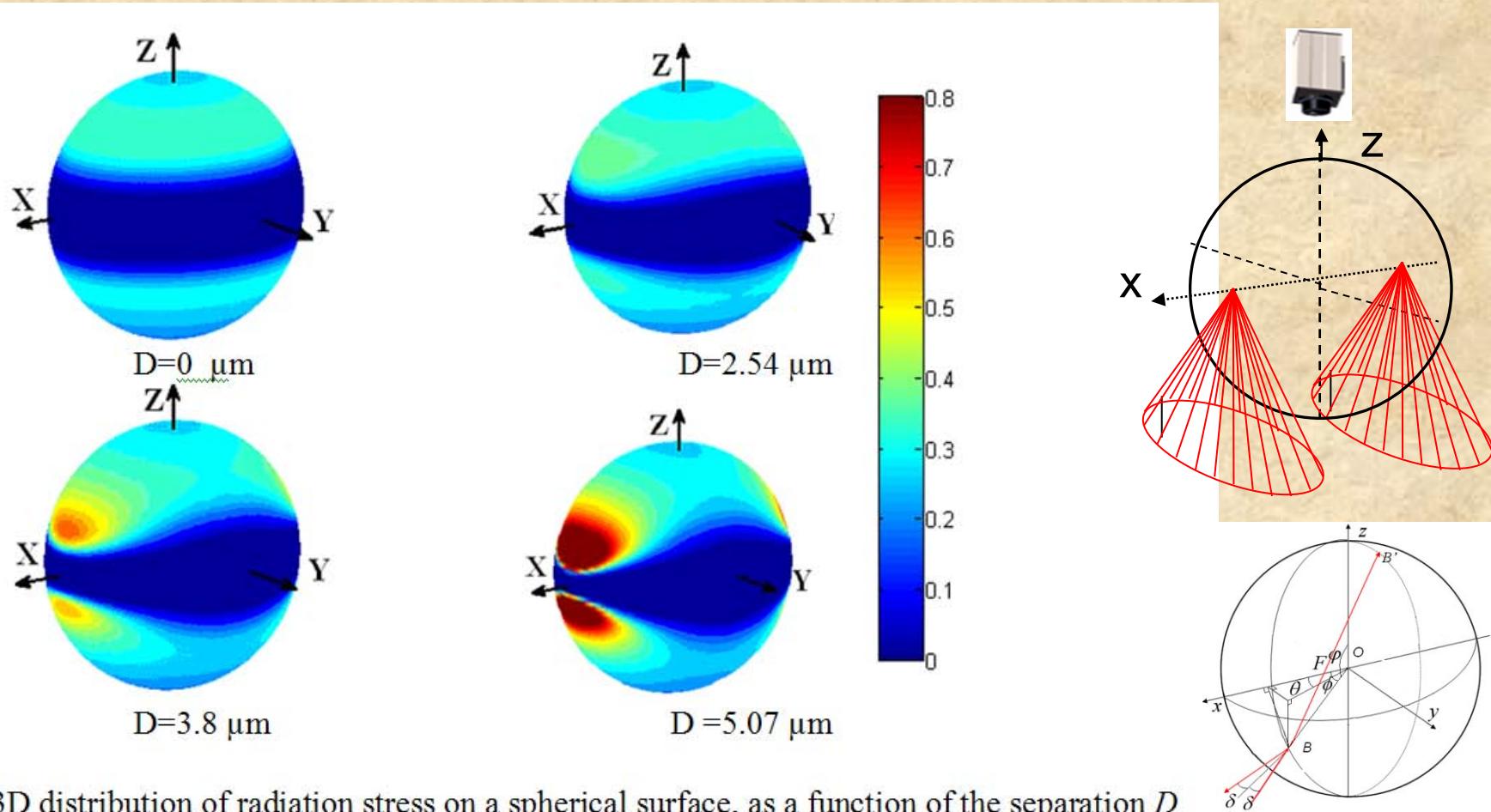


Fig. 4. 3D distribution of radiation stress on a spherical surface, as a function of the separation  $D$  between two trapping beams in the dual-beam optical tweezers. The maximum stress is 0.8 N/m<sup>2</sup>

Geometrical approach

# Multi-Physics Solutions

- 3D field distribution
  - Geometric optics ray tracing
  - FDTD
  - Generalized Mie-scattering
  - T-Matrix
  - Comsol RF module
  - Approximate
  - Modeling high NA Gaussian beam
  - More accurate
  - Modeling high NA beam

# Static deformation of membrane

- Compute the membrane internal stress for a **spherical RBC**

$$\frac{\partial N_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \sin(\varphi) \frac{\partial N}{\partial \varphi} + 2N \cos(\varphi) + R \sin(\varphi) \sigma_\theta = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial \theta} + \sin(\varphi) \frac{\partial N_\varphi}{\partial \varphi} + (N_\varphi - N_\theta) \cos(\varphi) + R \sin(\varphi) \sigma_\varphi = 0$$

$$N_\theta + N_\varphi + R \sigma_R = 0$$

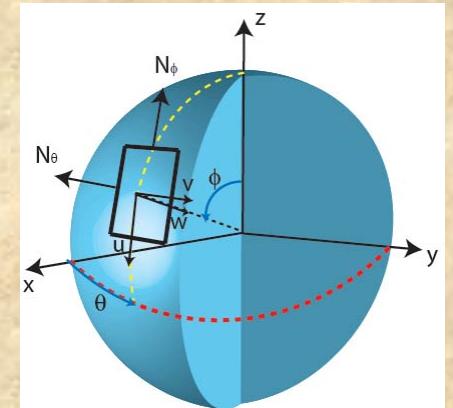
- Compute the strain from the stress by Hook's law

$$N_\varphi = \frac{Eh}{1-\nu^2} (\varepsilon_\varphi + \nu \varepsilon_\theta) \quad N_\theta = \frac{Eh}{1-\nu^2} (\varepsilon_\theta + \nu \varepsilon_\varphi) \quad N = \frac{Ehw}{2(1+\nu)}$$

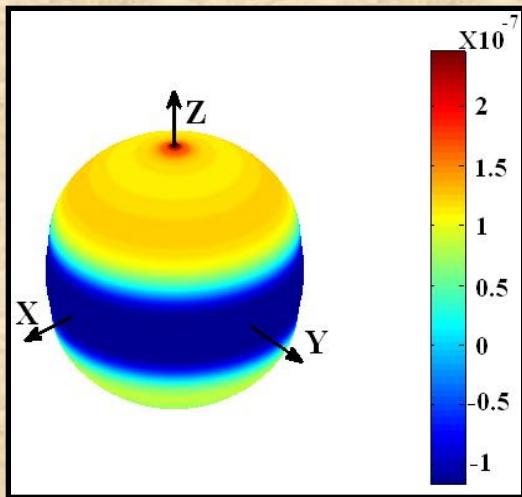
- Compute the displacements of the membrane from the strains

$$\varepsilon_\theta = \frac{1}{R \sin(\varphi)} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{R} (v \cot(\varphi) - w) \quad \varepsilon_\varphi = \frac{1}{R} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial \varphi} - w \right)$$

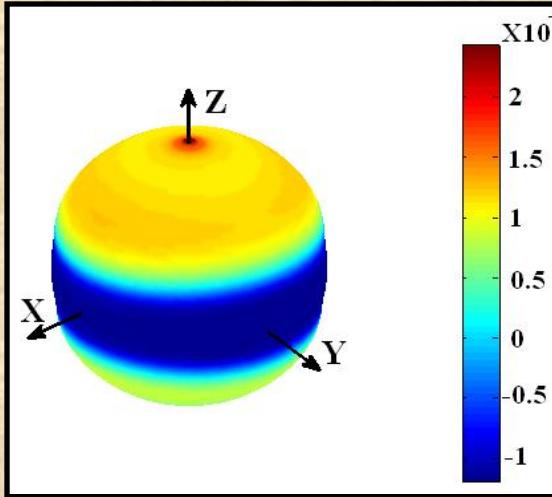
$$w = \frac{1}{R \sin(\varphi)} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \varphi} - \frac{u \cot(\varphi)}{R}$$



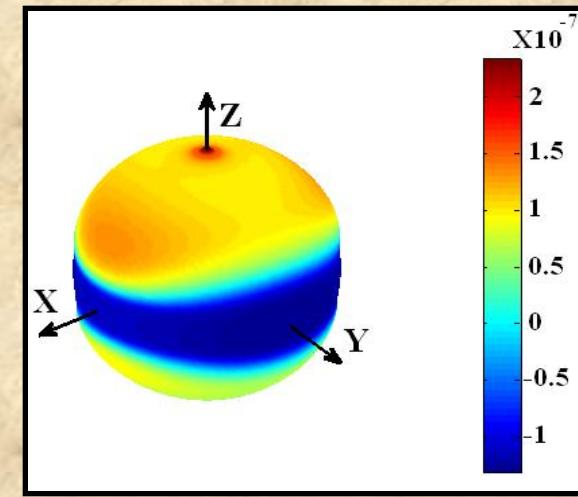
# Static deformation analytical solution



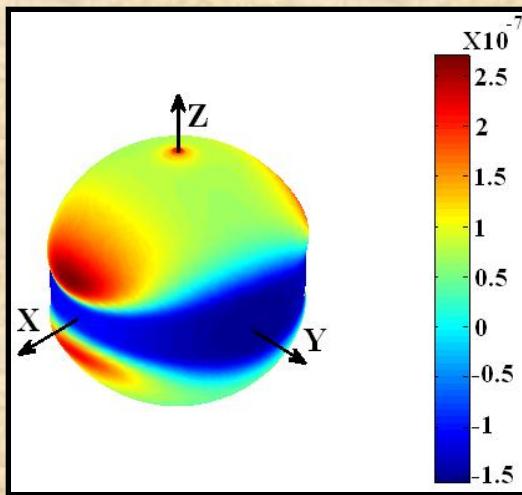
D=0,00μm



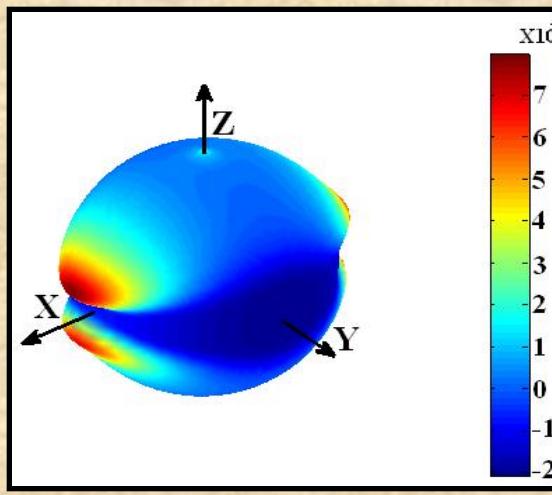
D=0,63μm



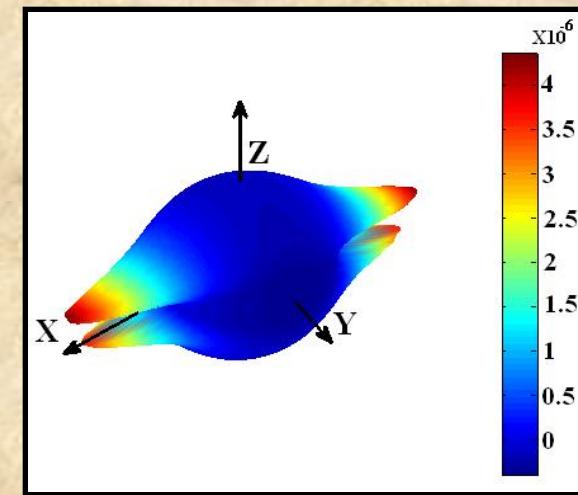
D=1,27μm



D=1,90μm



D=2,54μm

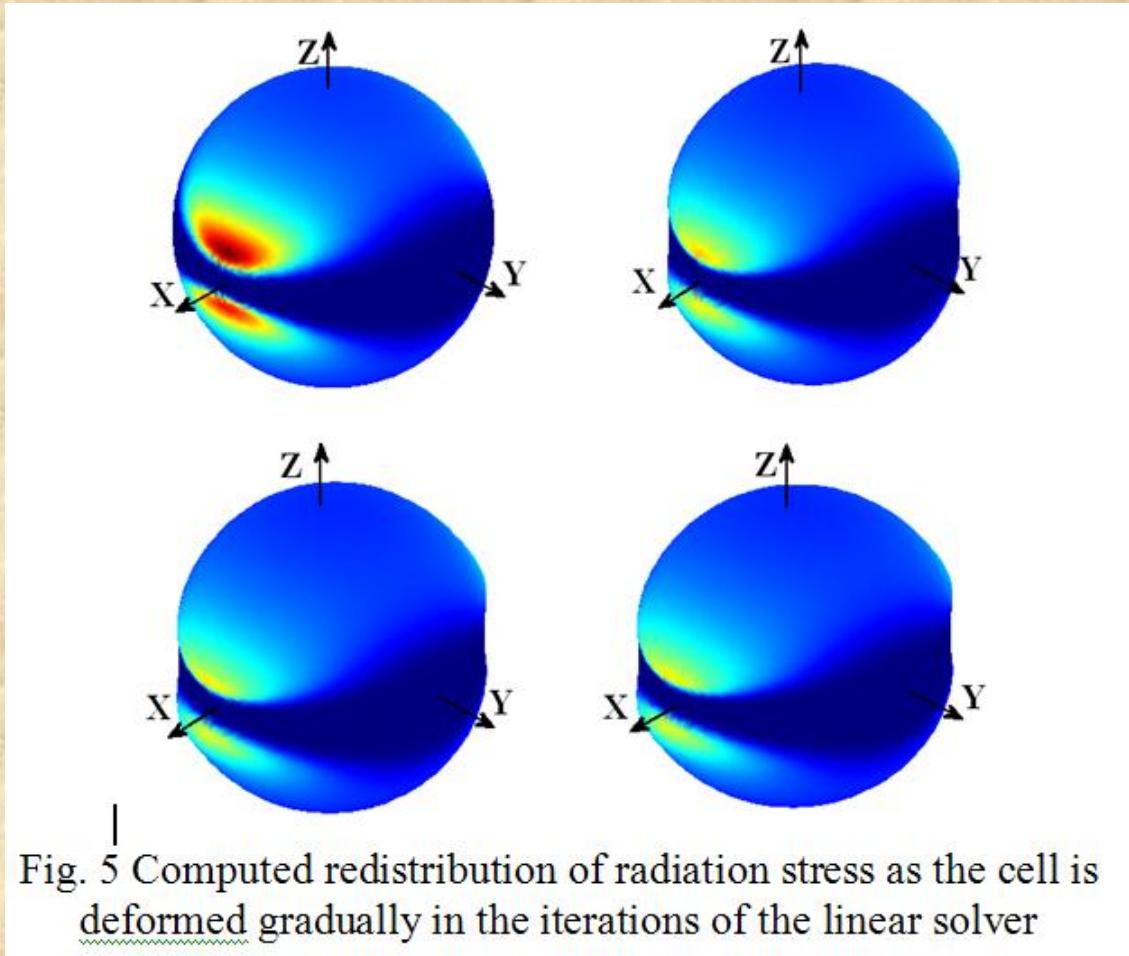


D=3,17μm

# Multi-Physics Solutions

- Static deformation of cell
  - Analytical solution
    - Only for Spherical cells
    - Validation of numerical calculation
    - Deformed non-spherical cells
  - Comsol Structural Mechanics module

# Stress redistribution as RBC is gradually deformed



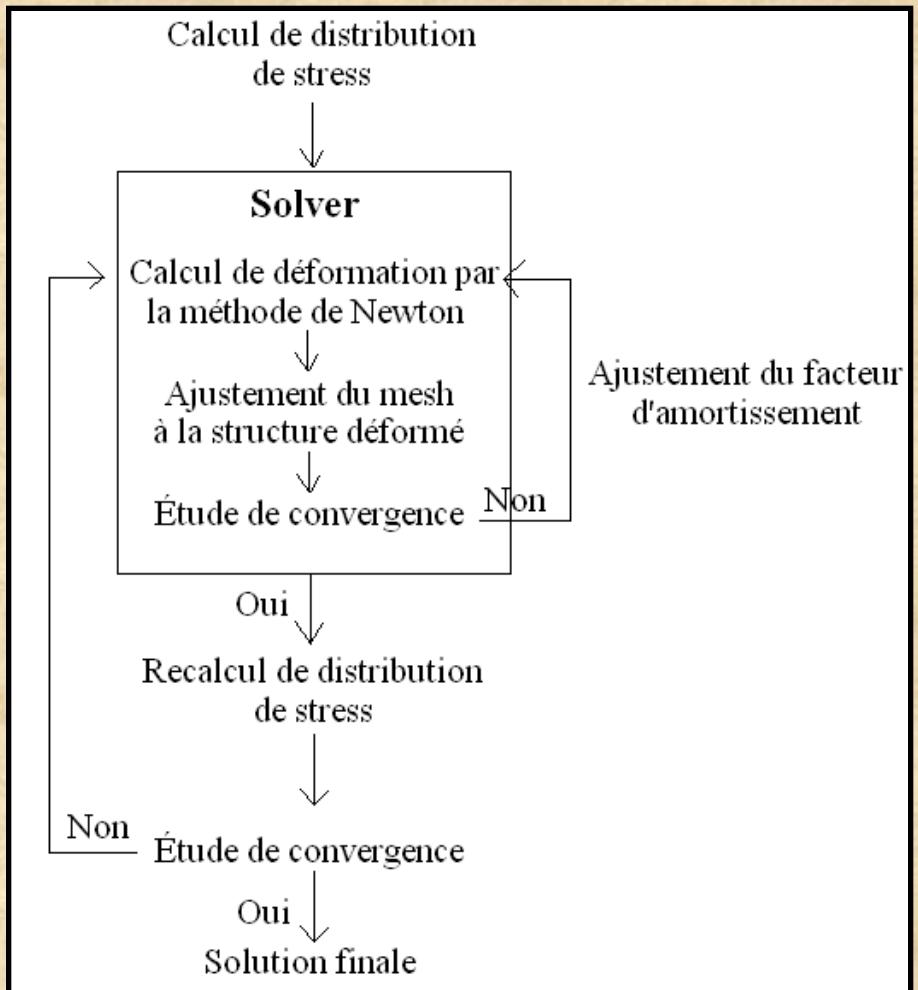
# Computing stress and deformation for any shape of the cell membrane

- FE Comsol Multiphysics™
  - RF module;
  - Structural Mechanics module
- Embedded Matlab codes of geometrical optics
- Deformable mesh
- Linear Solver of a huge system of linear equations by iterations
- Minimize the errors

$$f(U_0) E = -f(U_1)$$

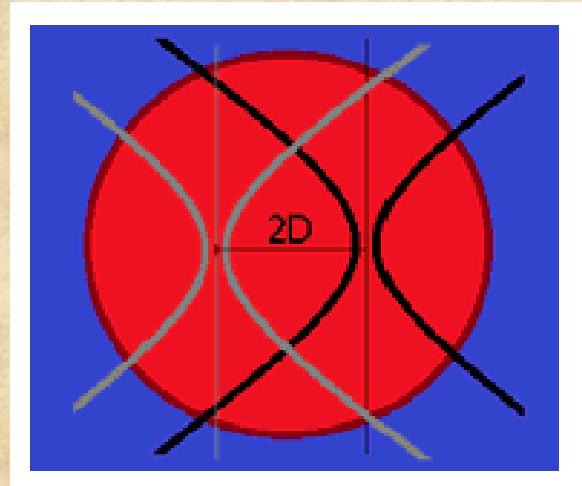
$$C = \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (|E_i|/W_i)^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

N = number of degree of freedom  
W = mean deformations

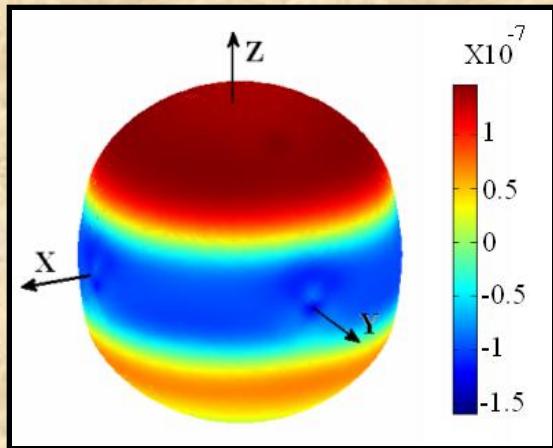


# Comsol Multiphysics™

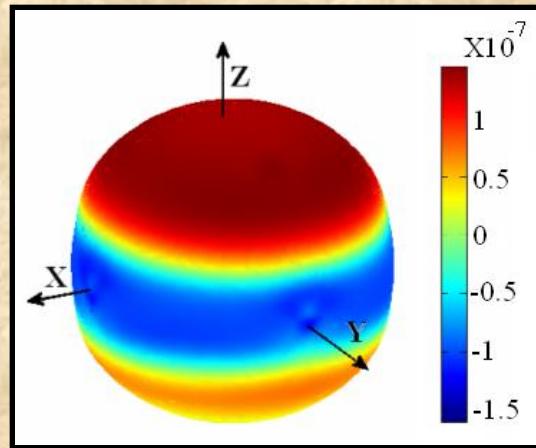
- 3D Dynamic deformation:
- Iterating
  - Stress redistribution on defomred cell
  - Deformation of the deformed cell
- Computing
  - RF module;
  - Structural Mechanics module
  - Embedded Matlab code of ray tracing



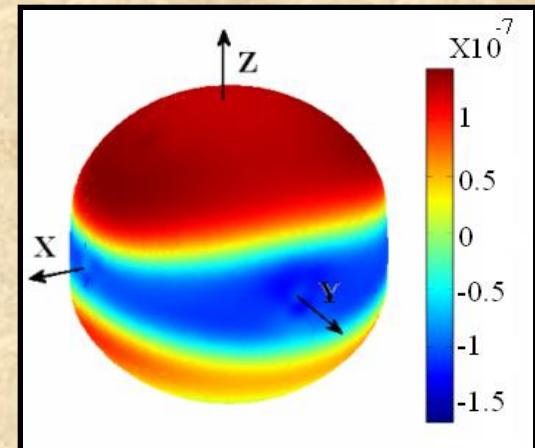
# 3D deformation of spherical RBC as the stress re-distribution on the deformed cell is considered



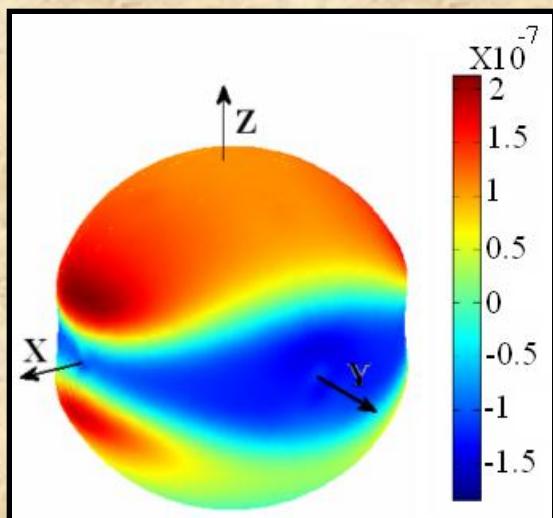
$D=0.00 \mu\text{m}$



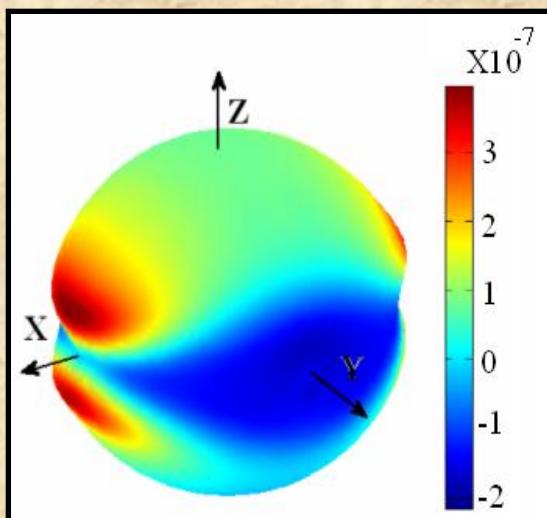
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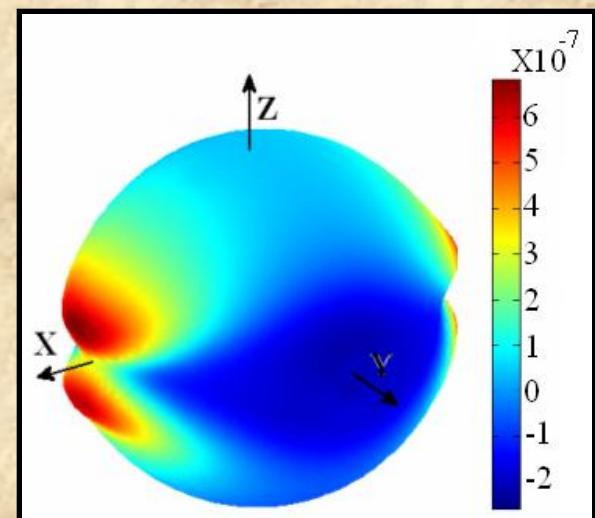
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$D=1.90 \mu\text{m}$

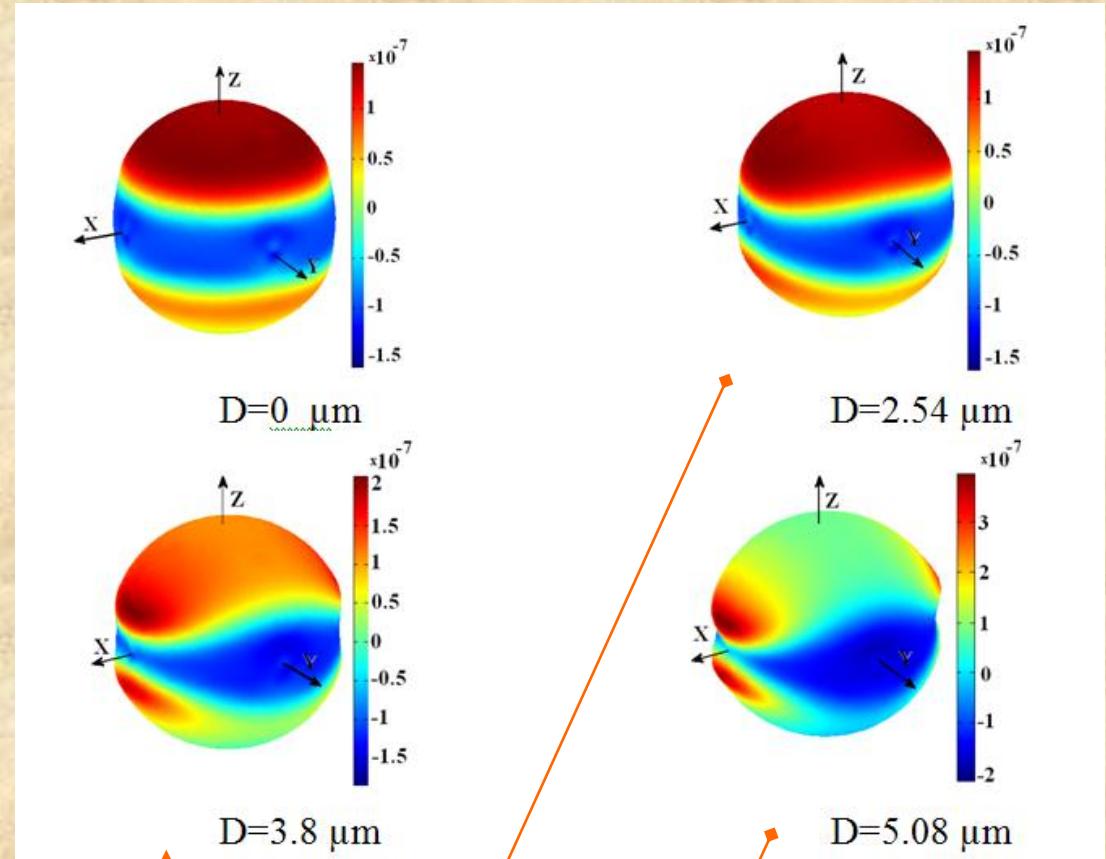
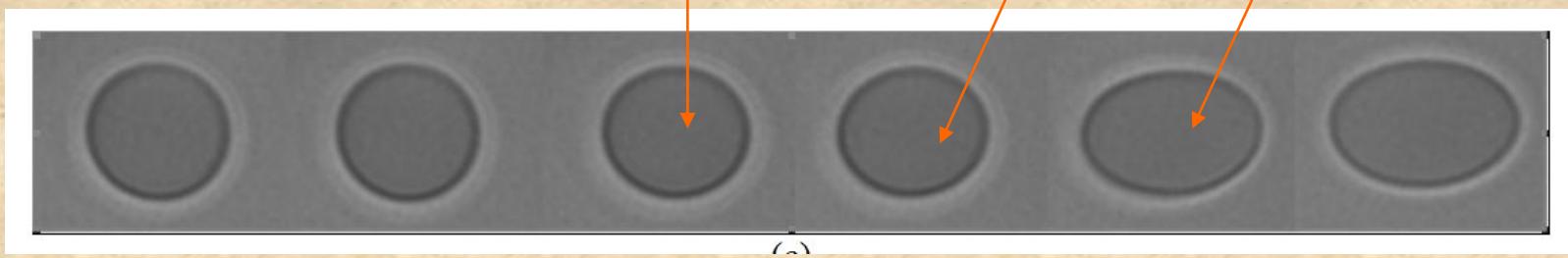


$D=2.54 \mu\text{m}$

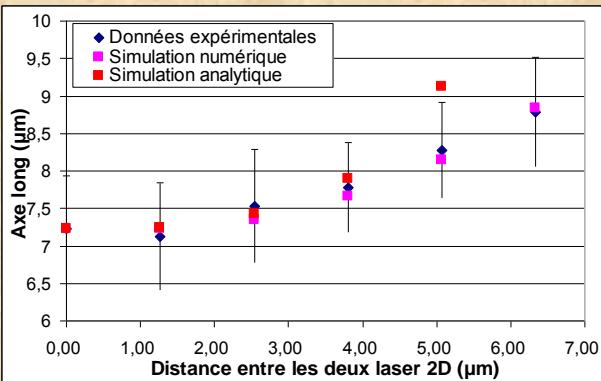
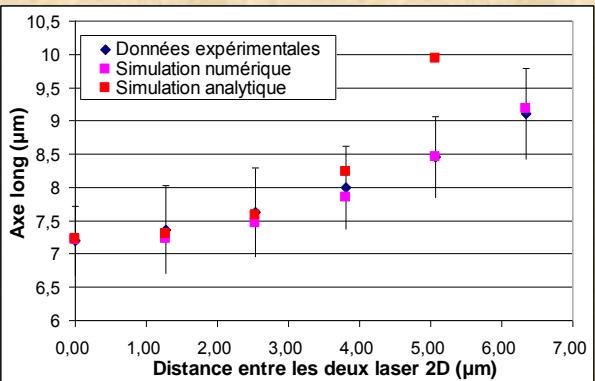
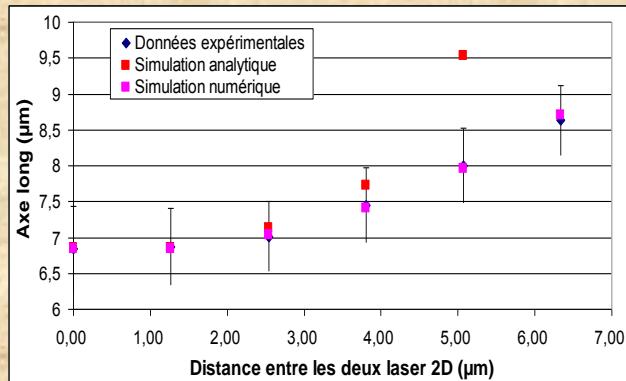


$D=3.17 \mu\text{m}$

# Equilibrium deformation



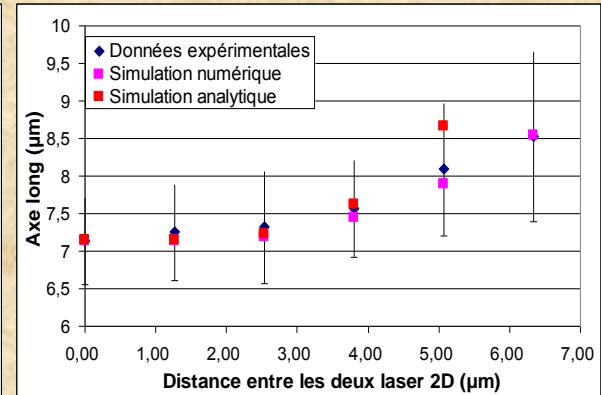
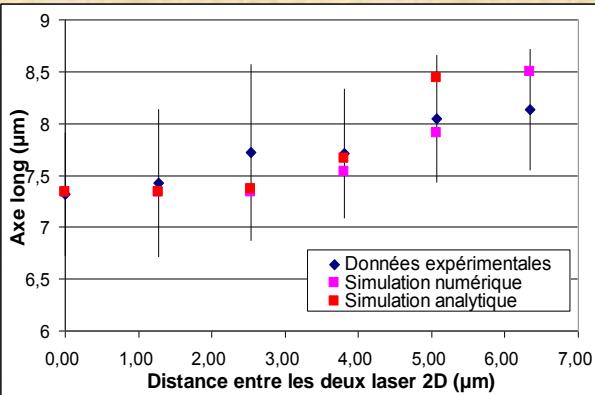
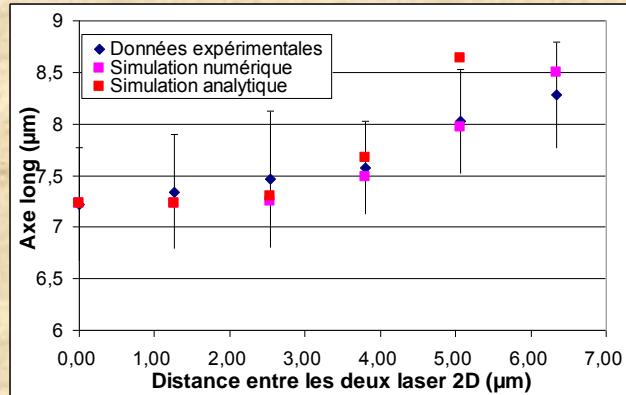
# Theory fits to experimental data



$T = 24^\circ\text{C}$  (sans NEM)

$T = 37^\circ\text{C}$  (sans NEM)

$T = 42^\circ\text{C}$  (sans NEM)



$T = 24^\circ\text{C}$  (avec NEM)

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$T = 42^\circ\text{C}$  (avec NEM)

# Conclusion

- 1) Computed 3D radiation stress distribution by GO, FDTD and T-matrix on a sphere in dual-trip tweezers
- 2) Compute static 3D deformation of the spherical membrane with asymmetrical external load
- 3) Computed the stress redistribution and membrane re-deformation with finite element method
- 4) Theory is fit to experimental results for membrane's deformation > 20 %
- 5) Differentiate normal and NEM treated RBCs, by their elasticity

$$Gh = (5,07 \pm 1,11) \mu N / m$$

(Normal RBC)

$$Gh = (8,59 \pm 1,14) \mu N / m$$

(NEM treated )

# Future Work

- Biconcave shape of RBC
  - Comsol CAD module
- High NA Gaussian beam as background field
- Trapped particle floats
- Nanoparticle Scattering
  - RF module solver of EM field
- Other deformable particles
- Other type of tweezers
- Cell mechanics

