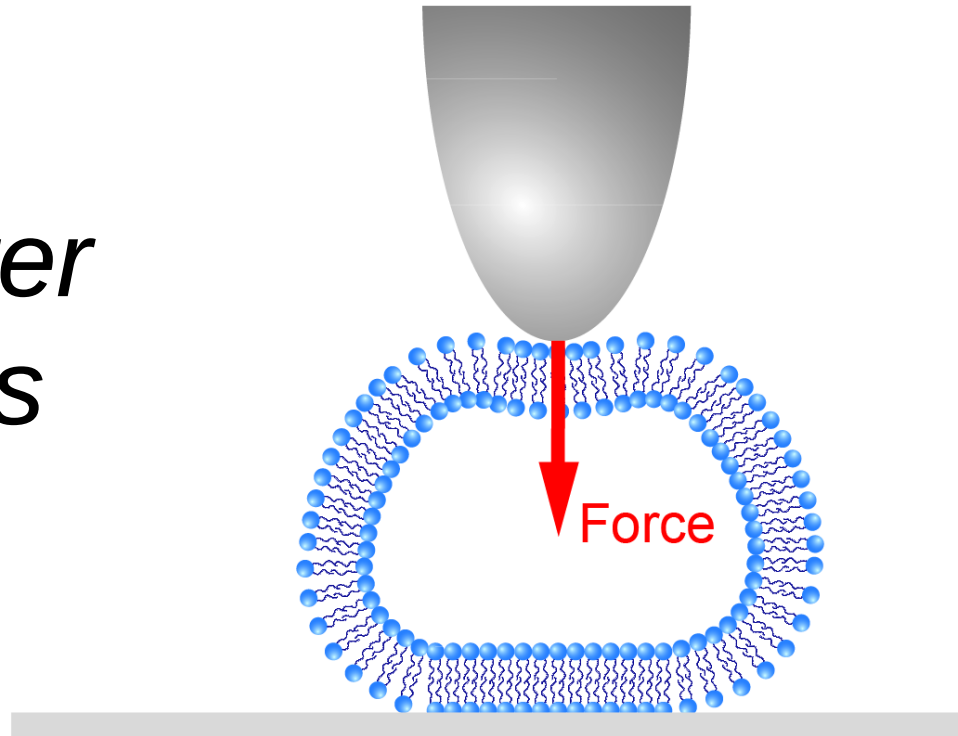
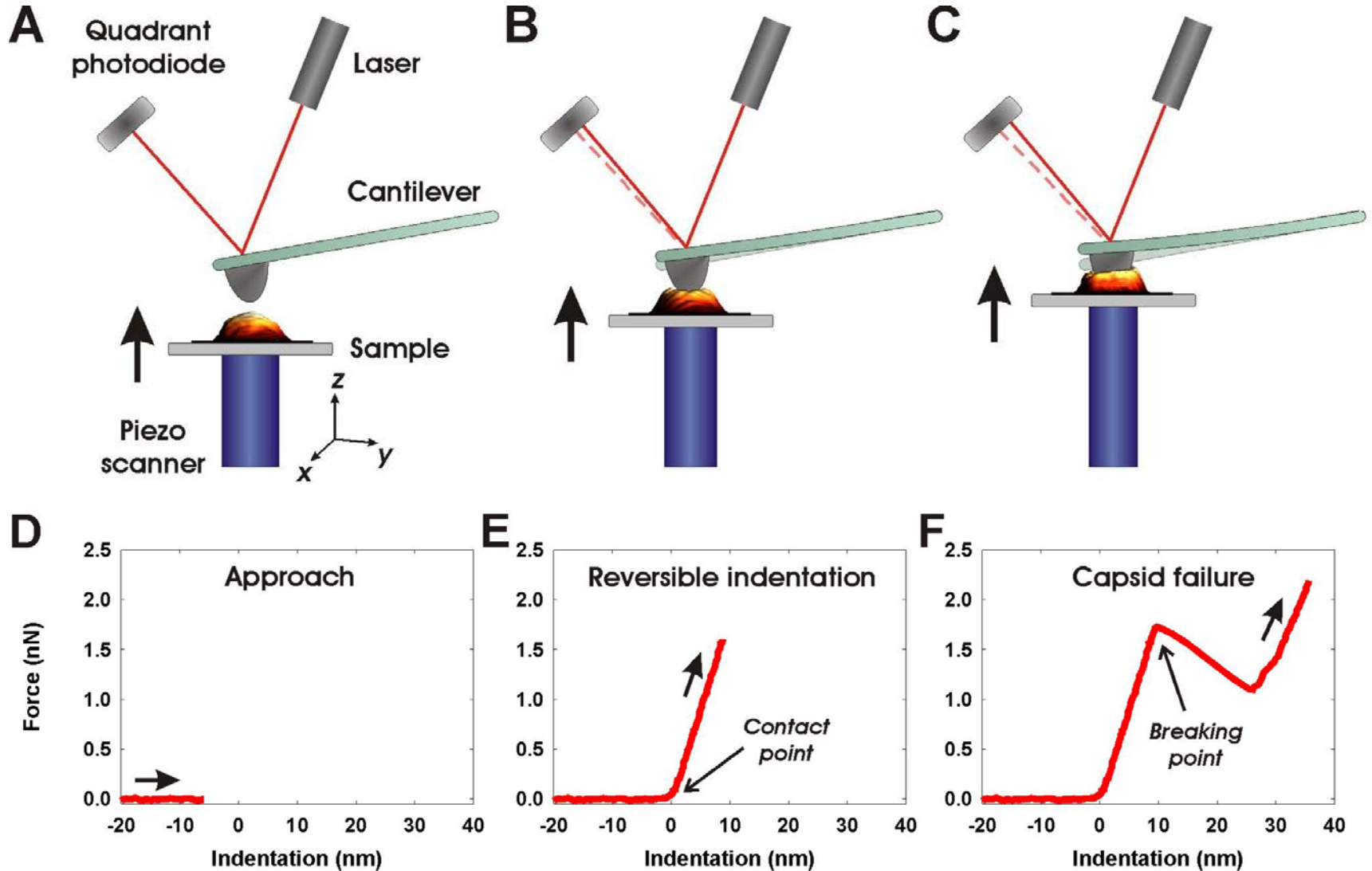


Probing of (Extra-Cellular) Vesicles by Atomic Force Microscopy

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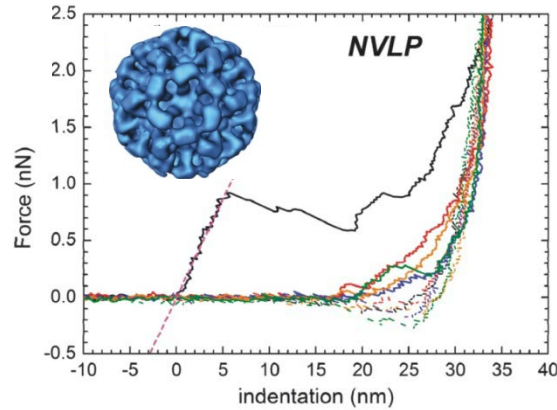
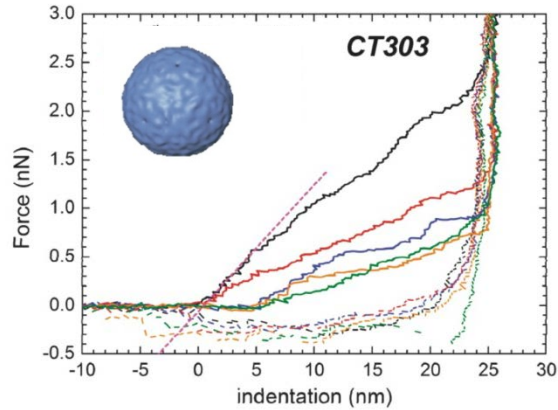


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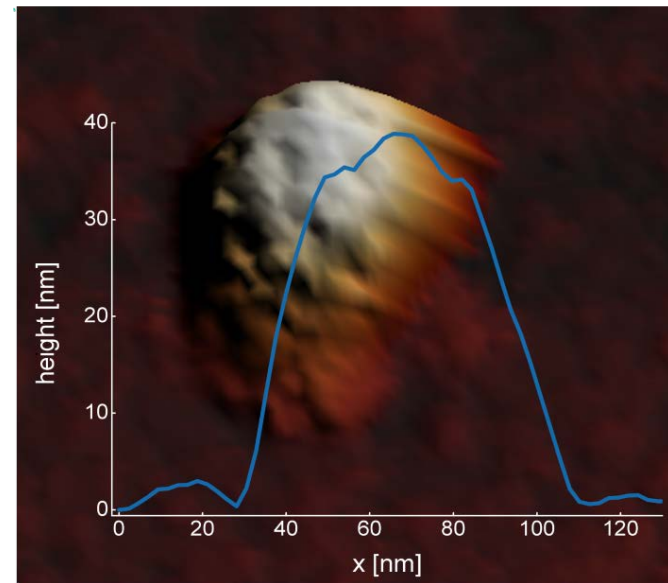
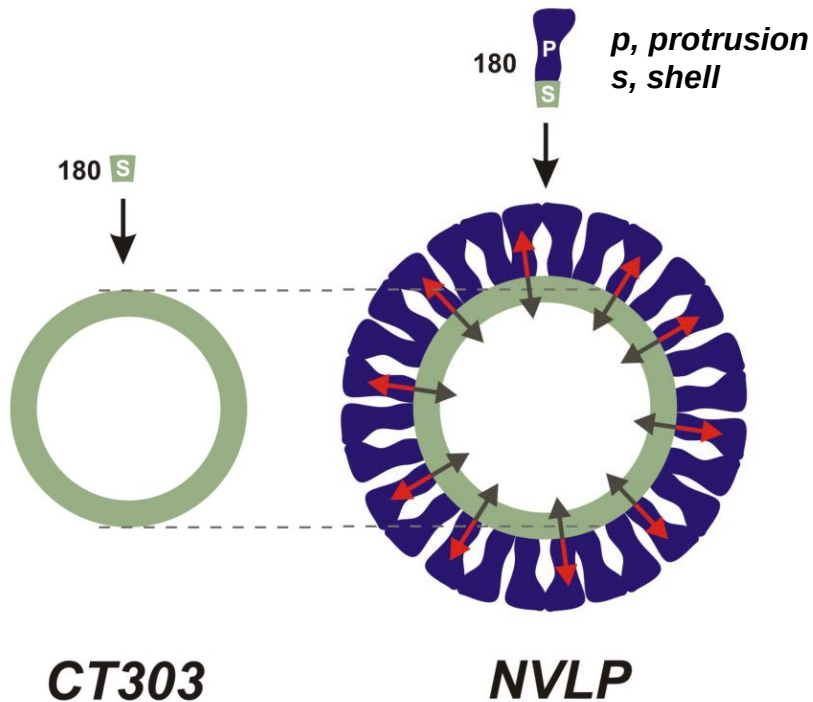




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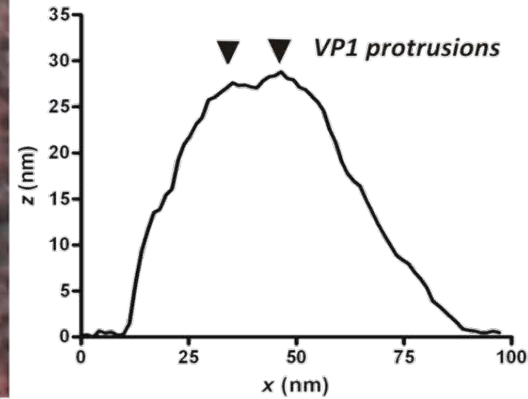
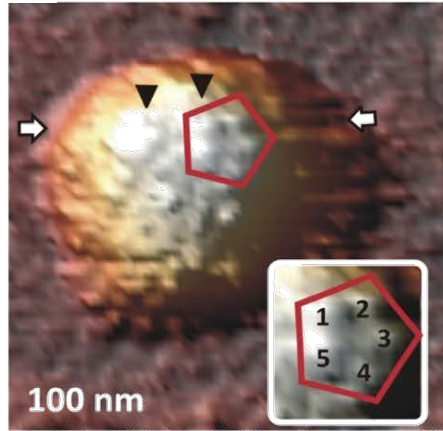
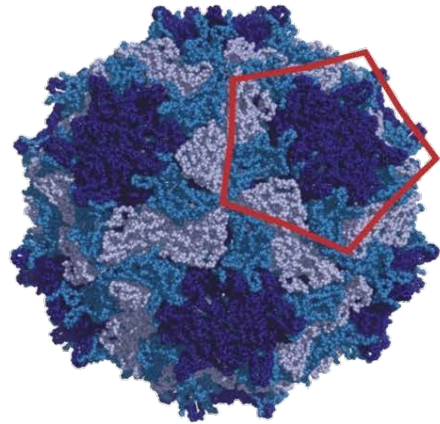


The NVLP's are under an isotropic prestress that strenghtens their structure

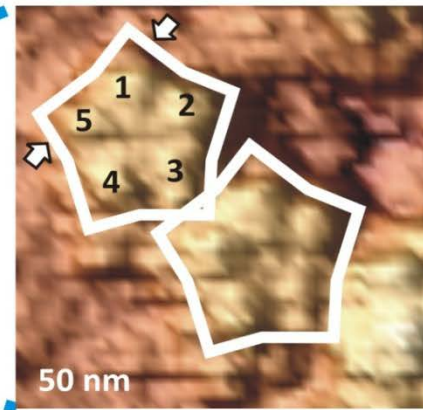
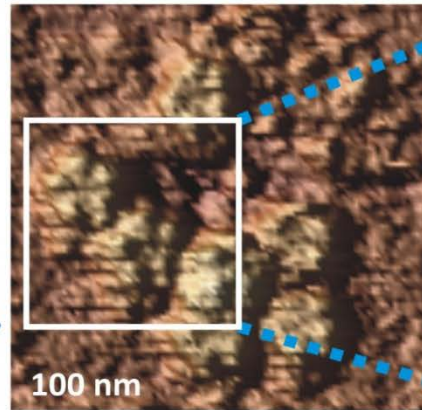
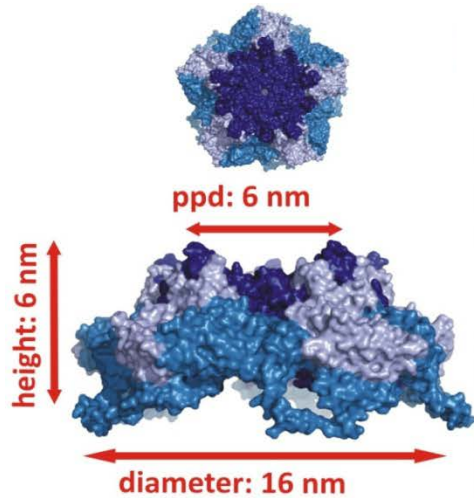


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Triatoma Virus



**pH dependent
stiffness switch**



**Snijder et al.
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Importance of mechanics of small vesicles

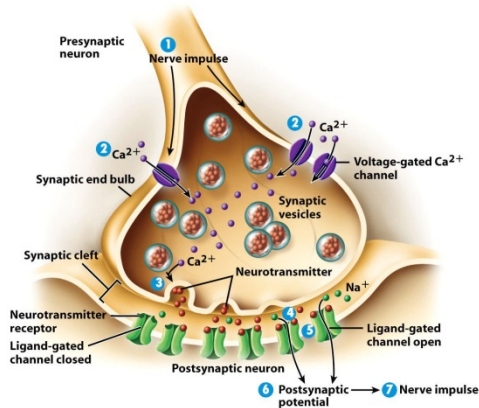
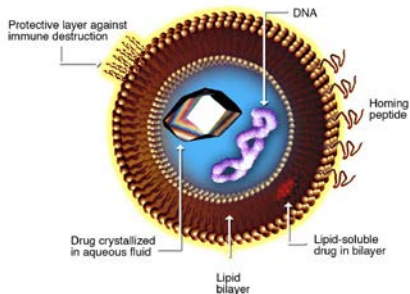
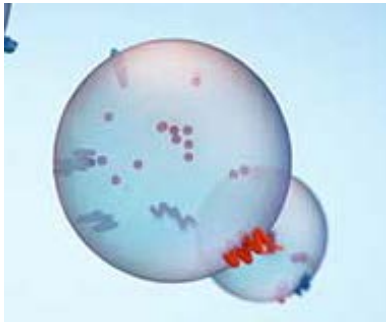


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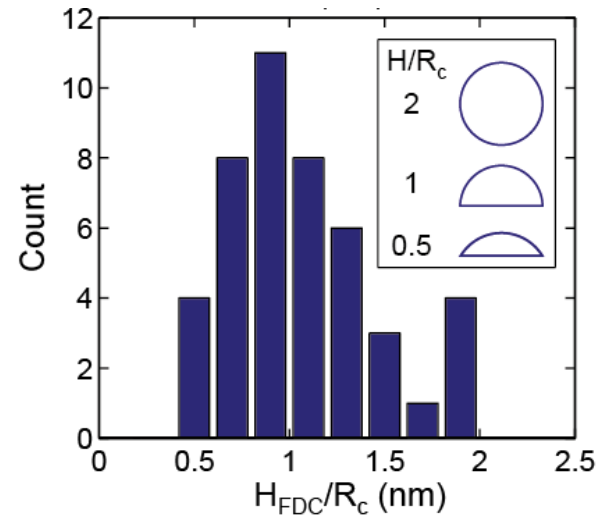
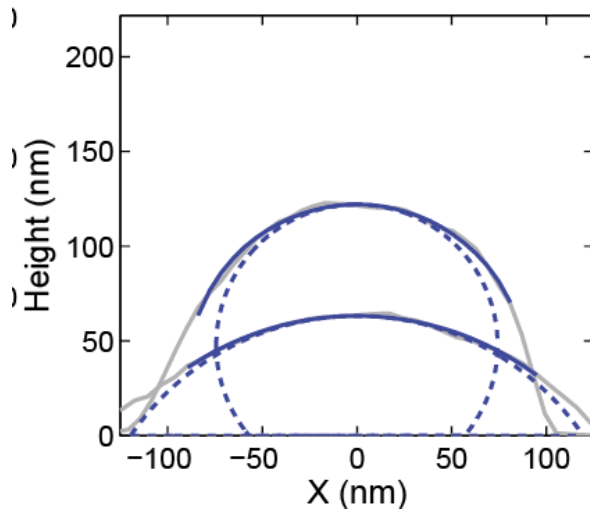
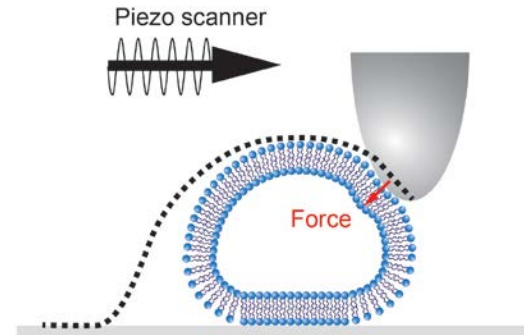
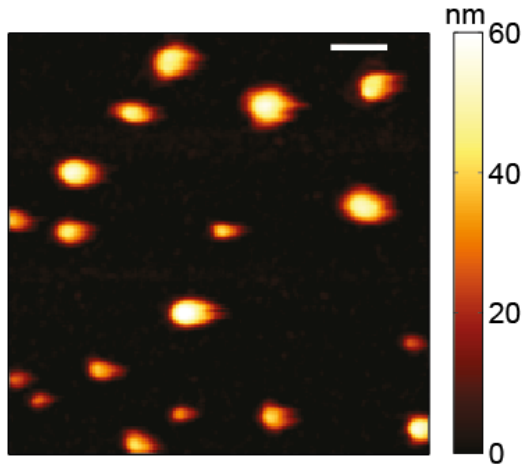
Synaptic vesicles

Extracellular vesicles



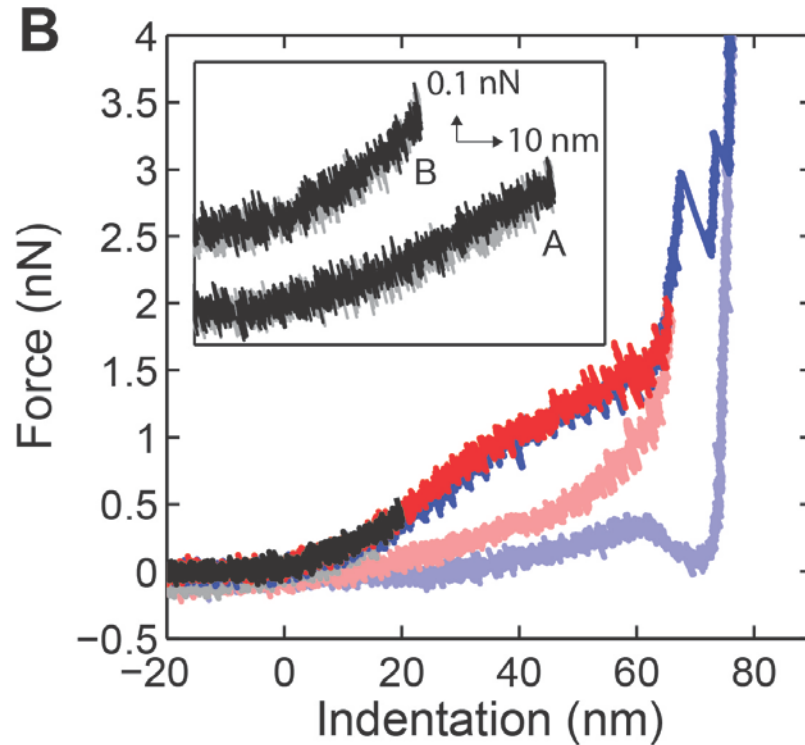
Liposomal drug delivery

Material properties of vesicles



assuming surface area conservation we can determine R_0 (before adhesion)

Material properties of vesicles

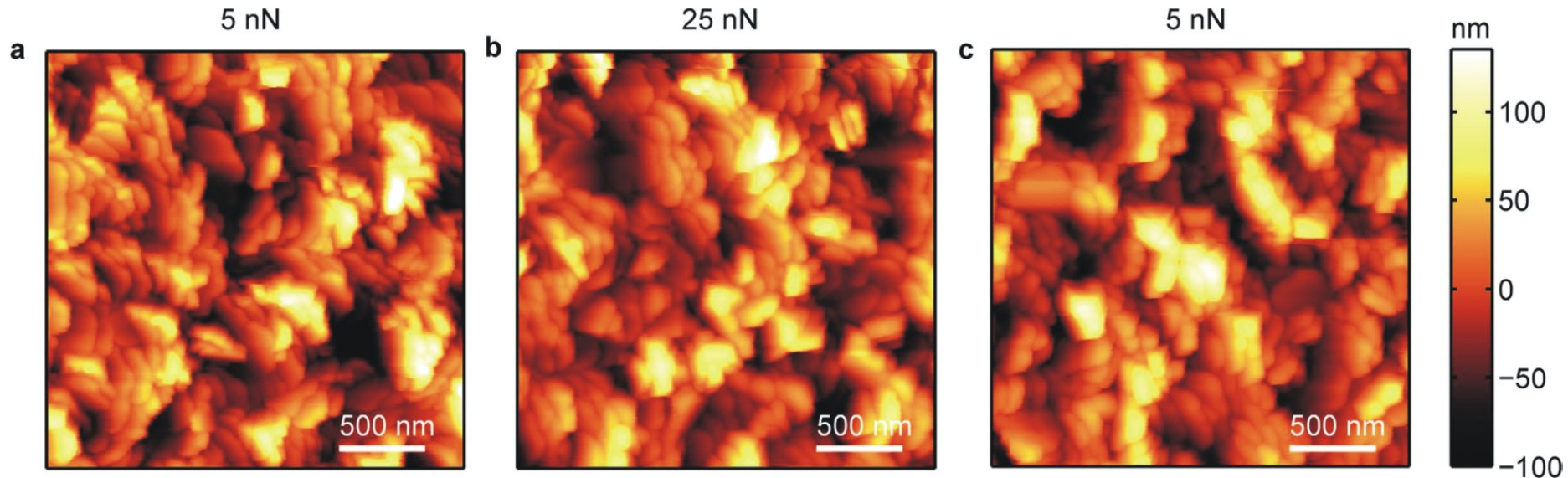


Where does the difference in slope come from?

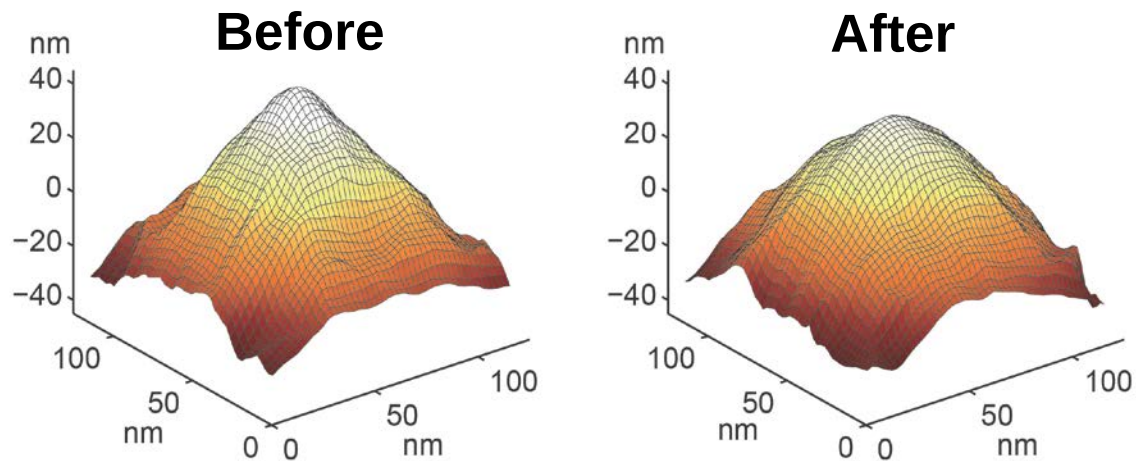


Tip radius?

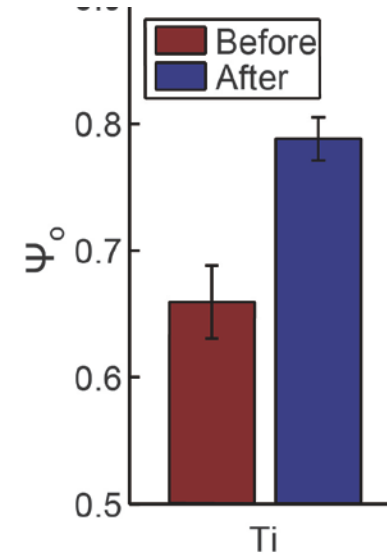
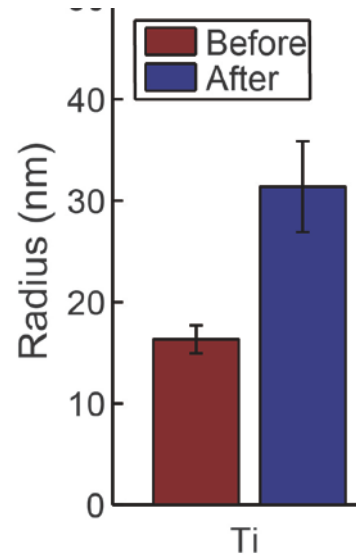
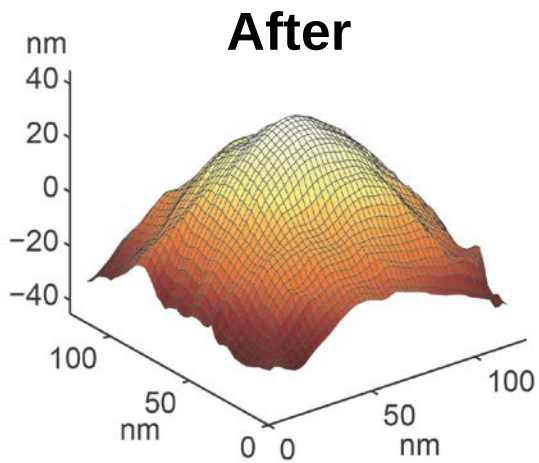
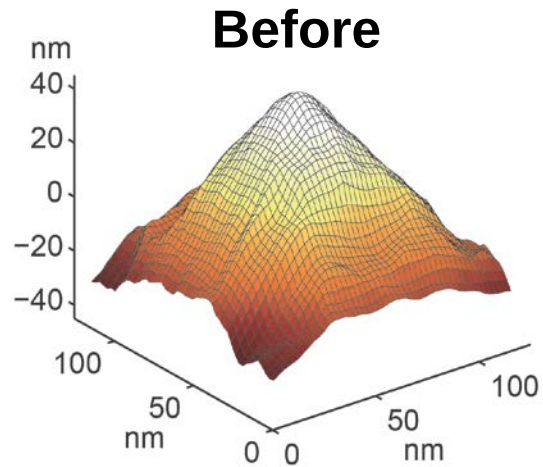
Shaping tips



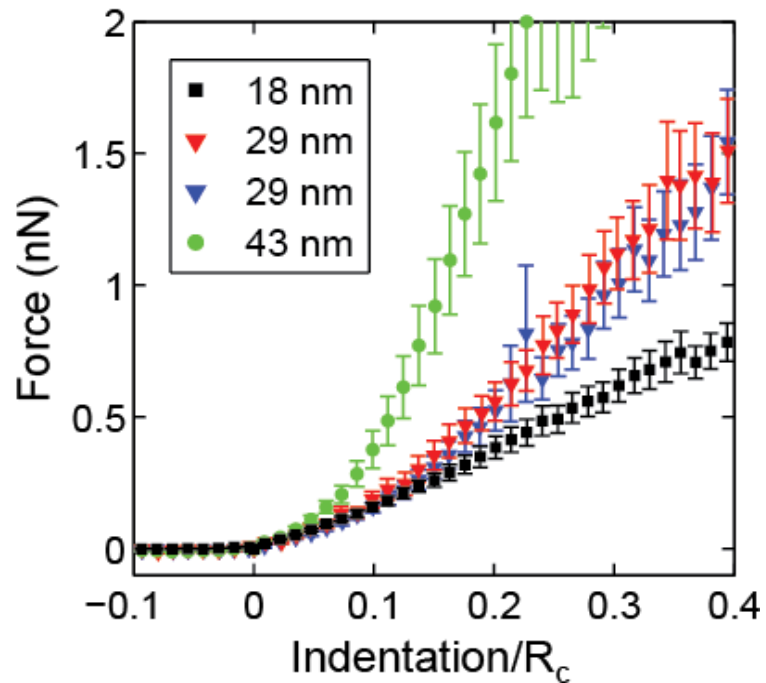
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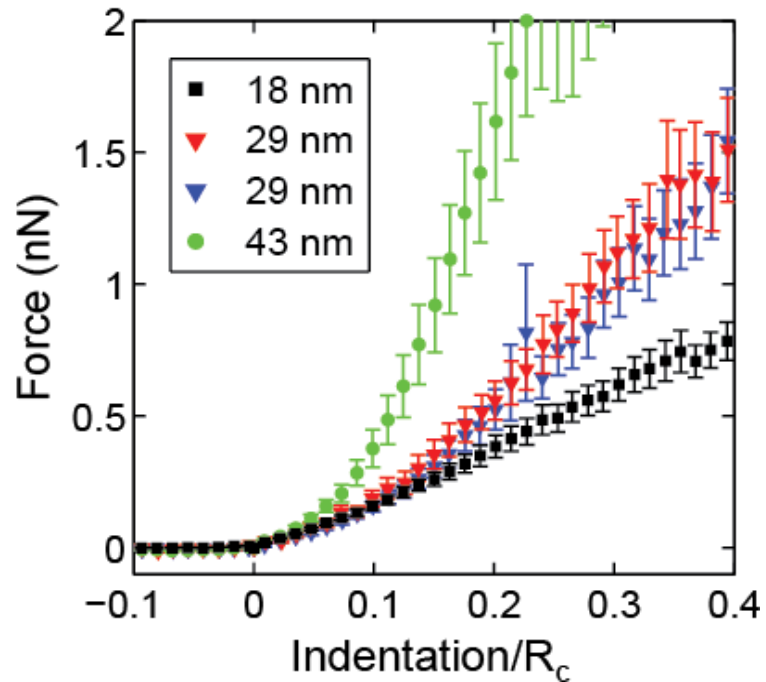
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Tip shape indeed matters!

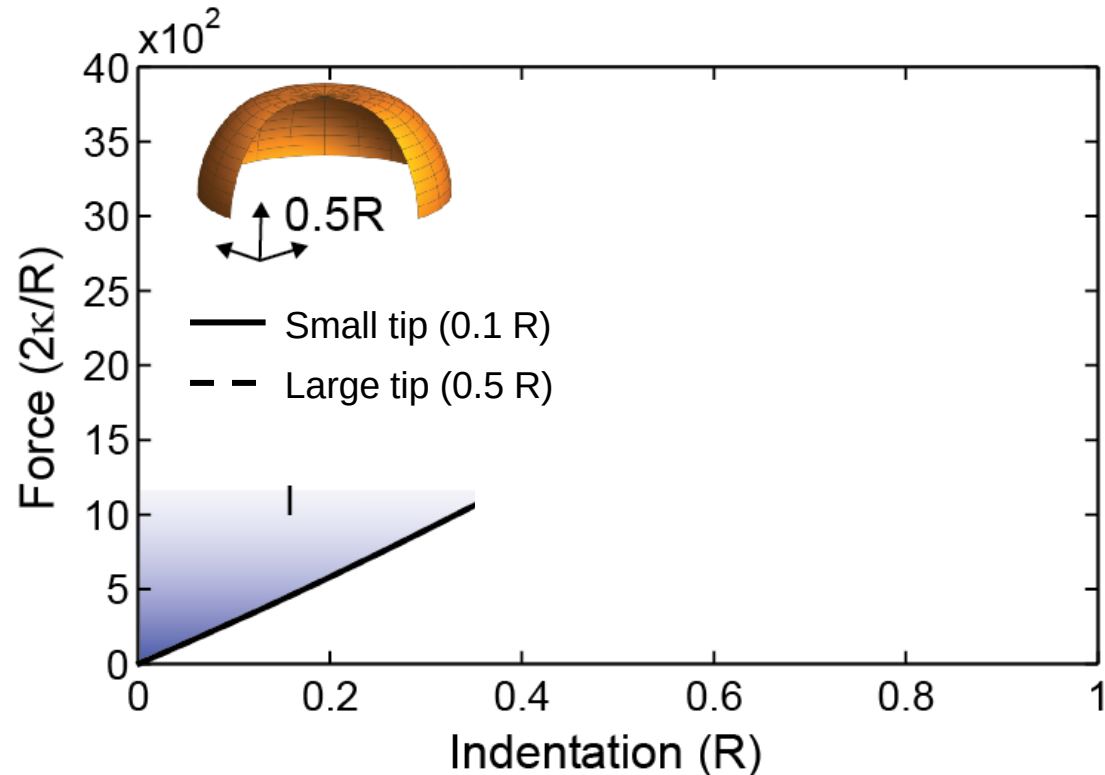
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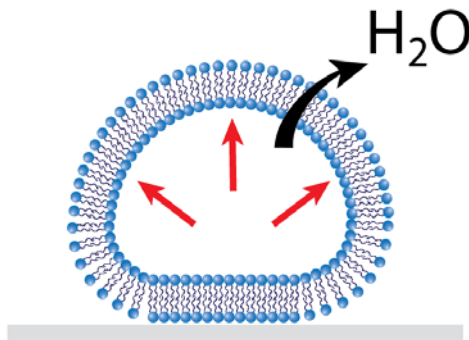
*Canham-Helfrich theory (pure bending,
no shear)*



Material properties of vesicles

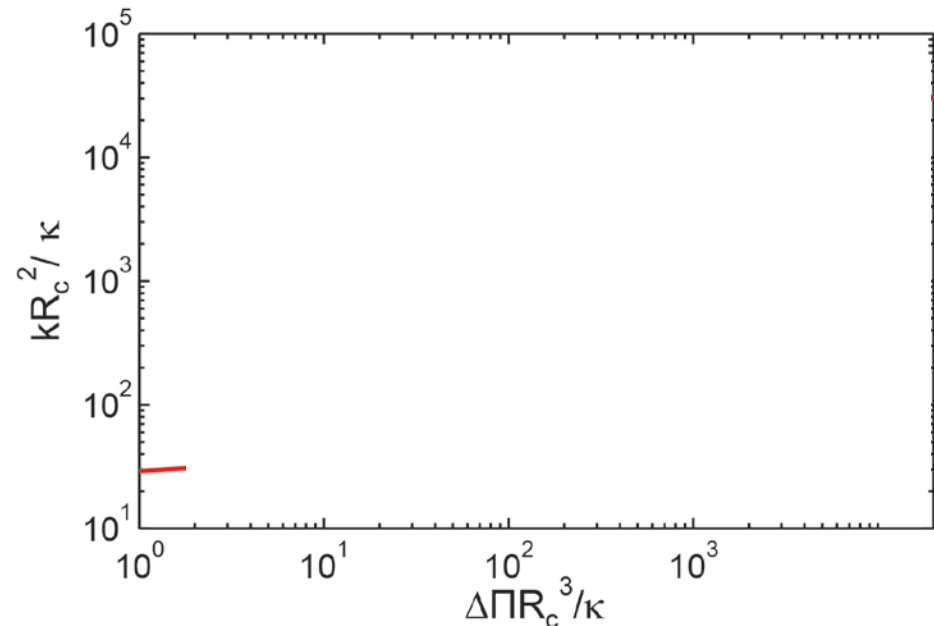
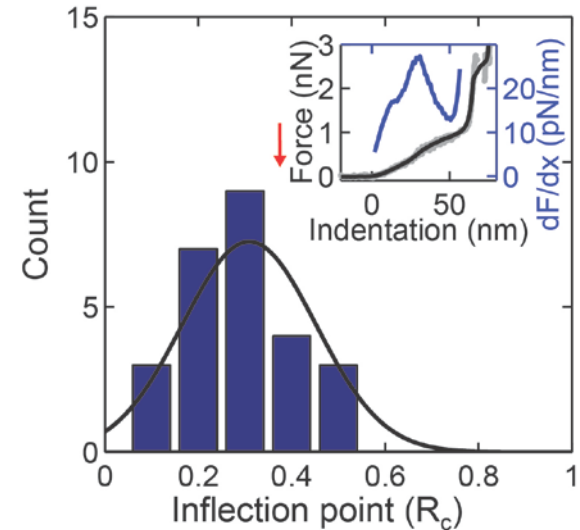
Inflection corresponds well to theoretical prediction

Stiffness is off!

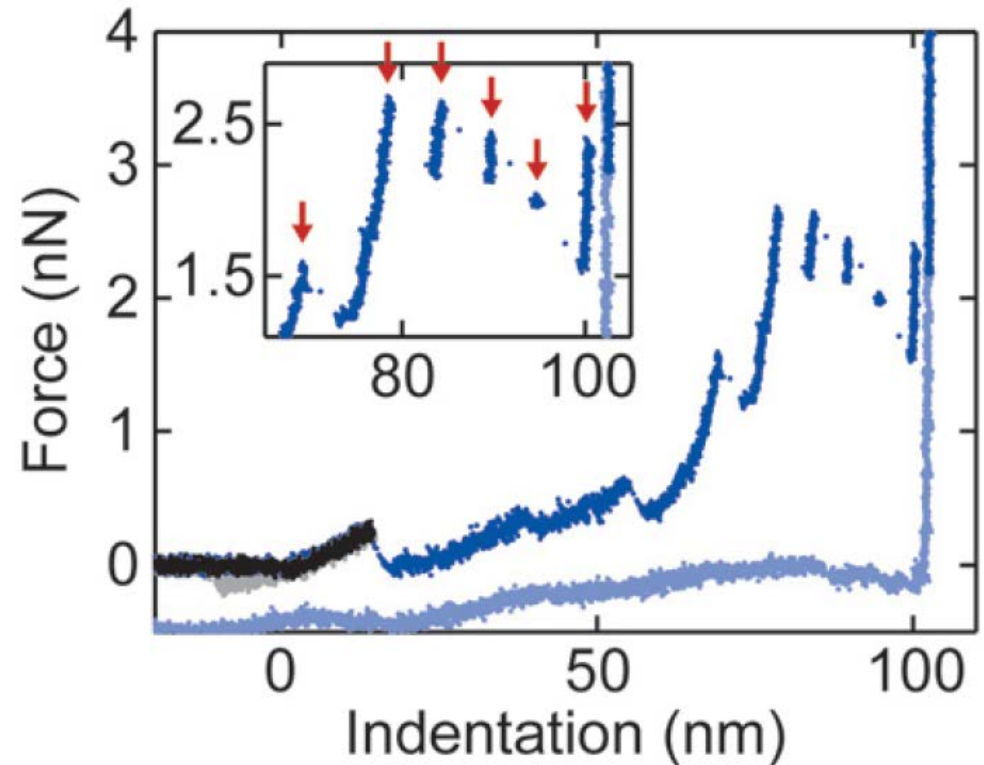
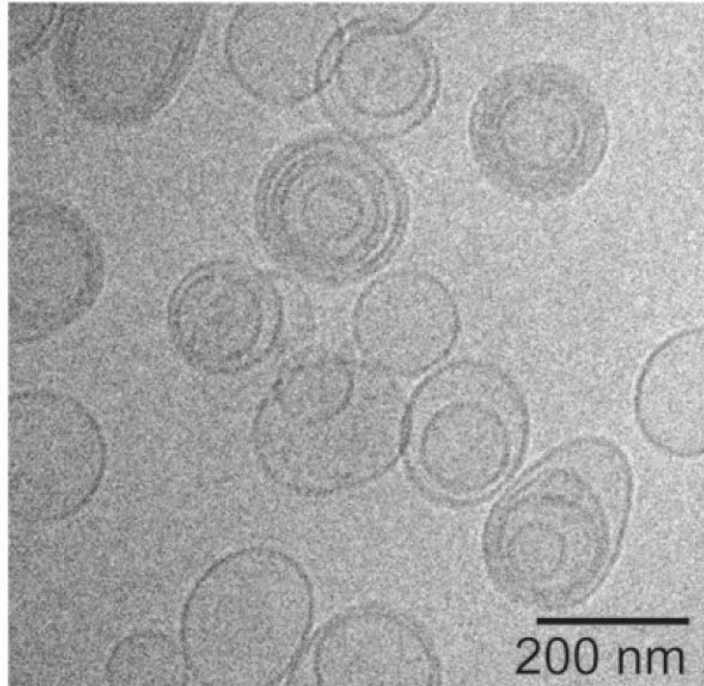


$$\kappa = 14 \pm 1 k_b T$$

Correcting for deformation during adhesion and for tip shape and using adapted Canham-Helfrich theory we now determine bending modulus of vesicles.



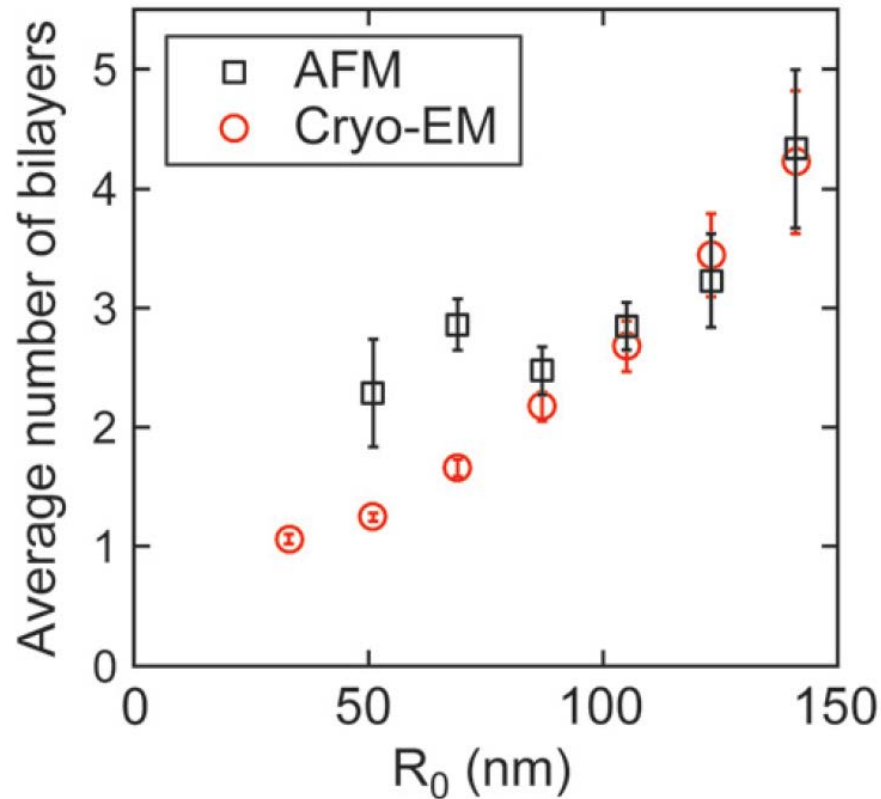
Multilamellar vesicles



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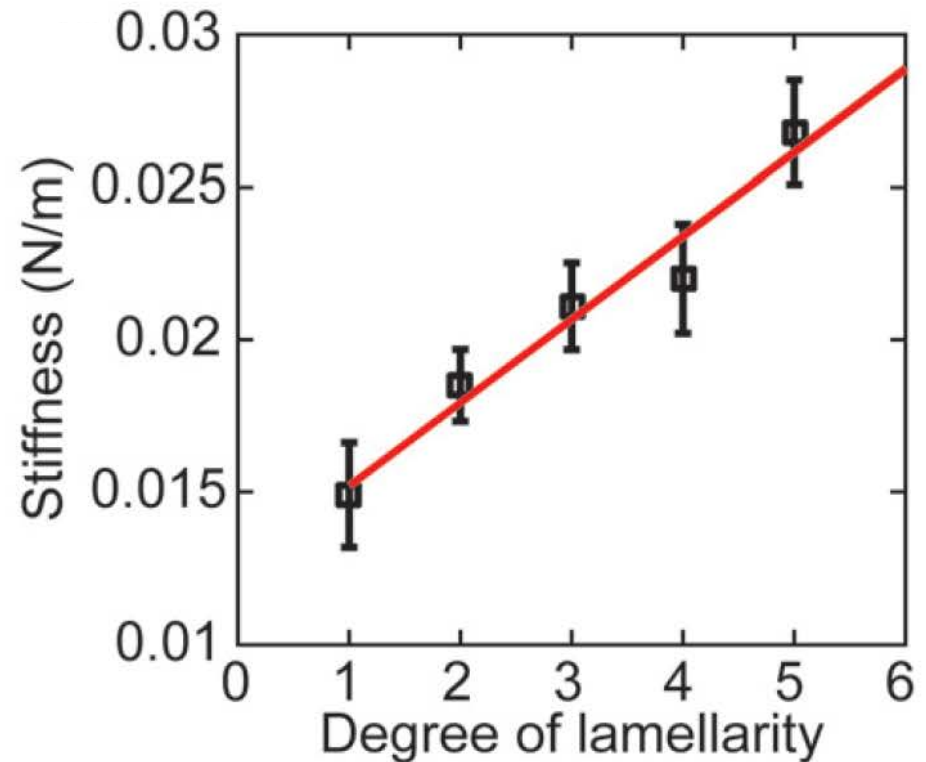
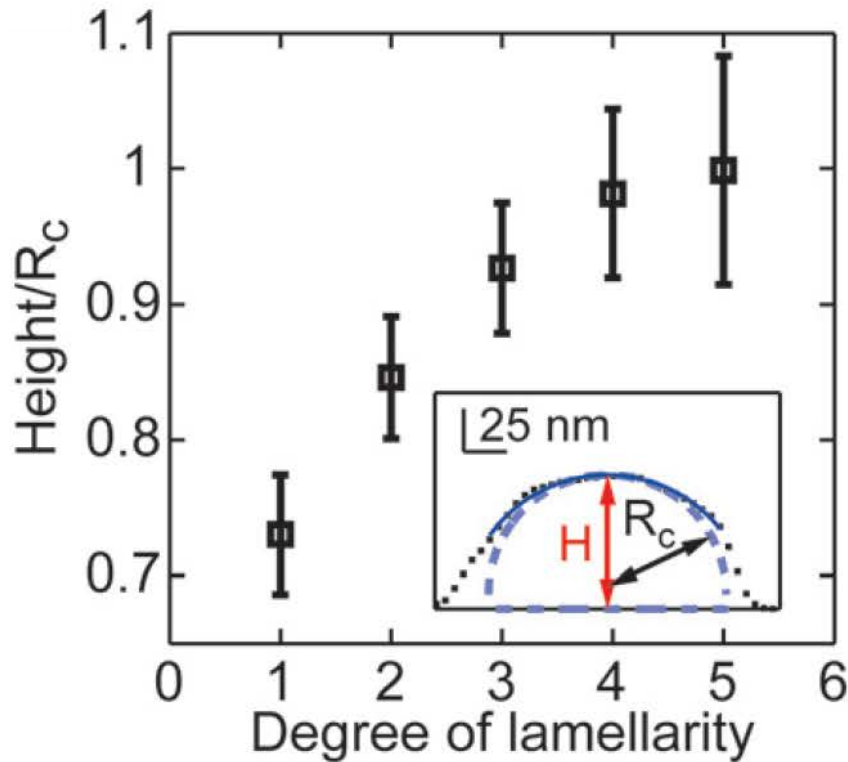
*Number of bilayers can be determined by counting
(layers in cryo-EM data and breaks in the AFM data)*

Multilamellar vesicles



Especially for large radii good fit between AFM and cryo-EM

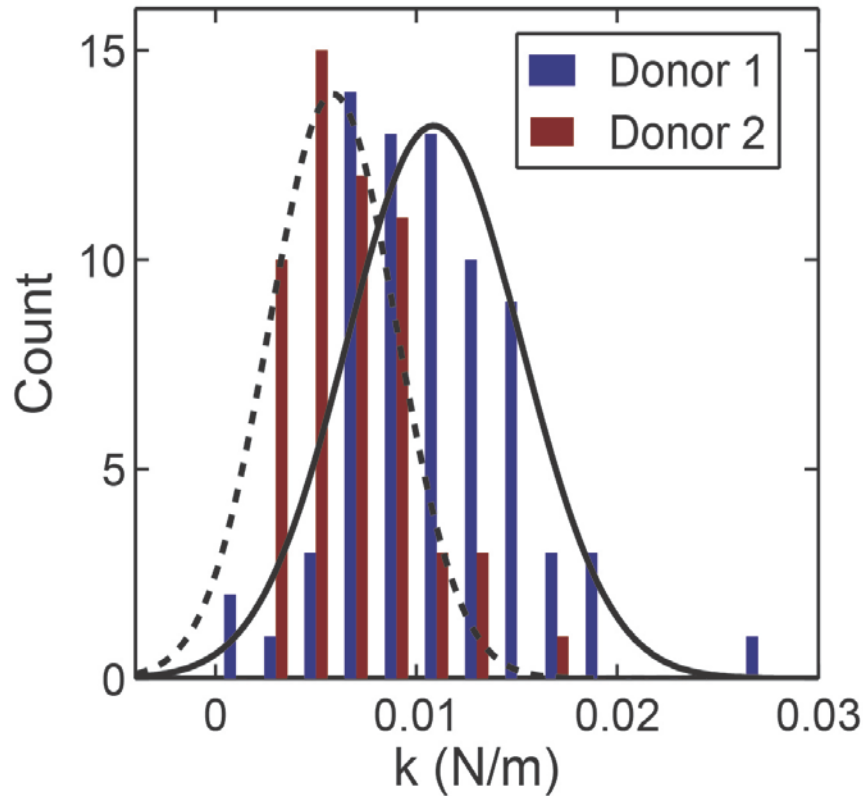
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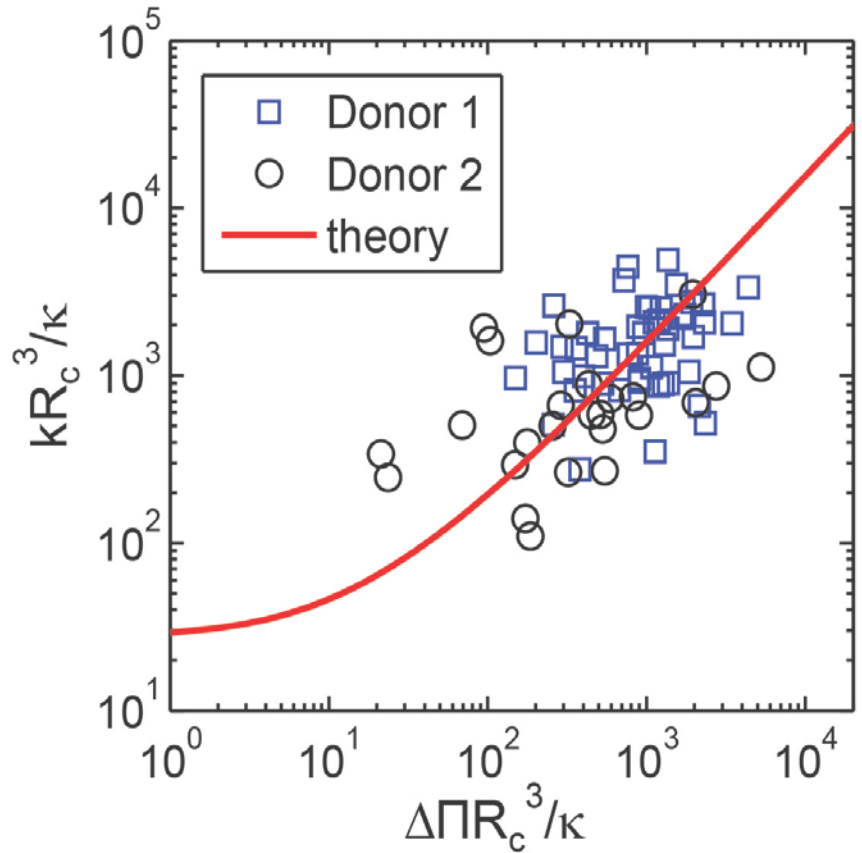
Sphericity increases with lamellarity.

Stiffness scales with lamellarity.

Extracellular vesicles of RBC



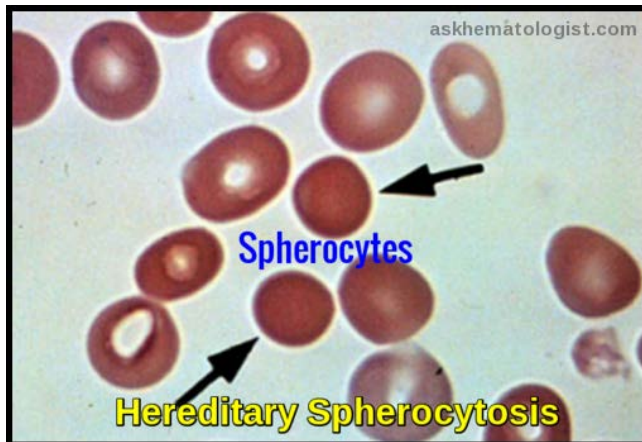
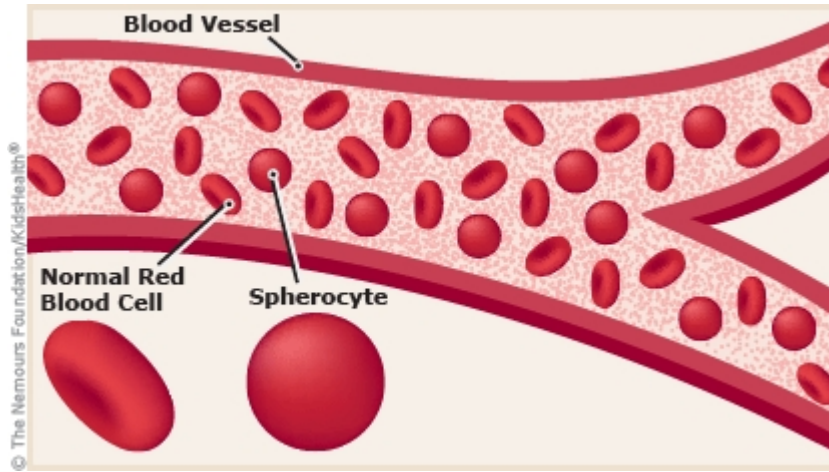
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Donor samples have different stiffness, yet similar bending modulus $15 \pm 2 k_b T$

Mechanics are very comparable to liposomes!

Extracellular vesicles of RBC & Spherocytosis



Weakened link between membrane
and cytoskeleton



Increased vesiculation



Rounding and stiffening of RBCs

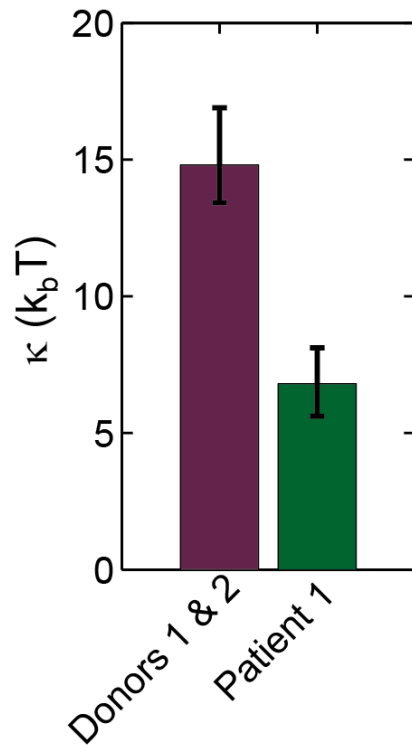


Removal of RBCs in the spleen



Symptoms like anemia, jaundice and
gallstones

Extracellular vesicles of RBC & Spherocytosis



Bending modulus: $7 \pm 2 k_bT$

Extracellular vesicles of RBC & Spherocytosis

Weakened link between
membrane and cytoskeleton



Membrane loses structure
(increased mobility of membrane
proteins)



Local accumulation of
proteins/lipids that lower bending
modulus

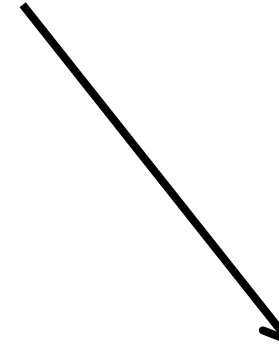


Excretion of softer vesicles

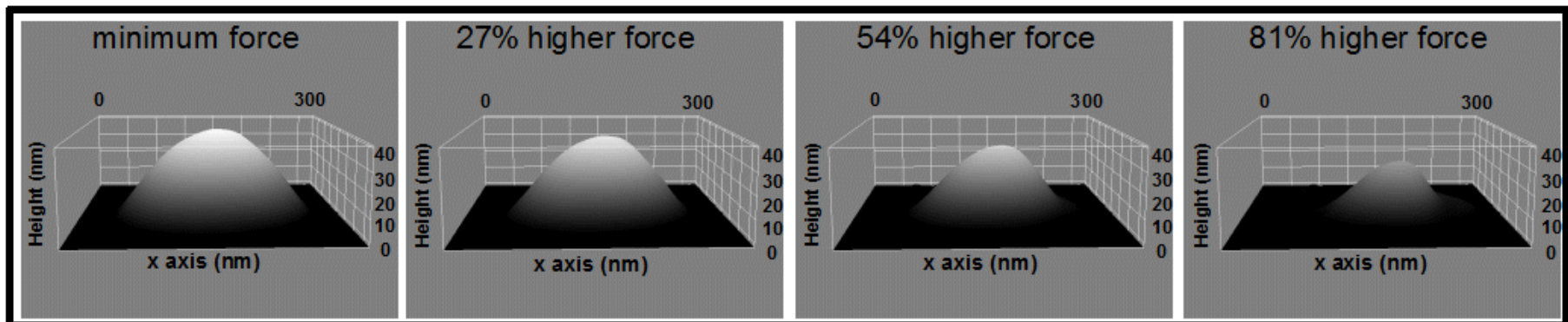
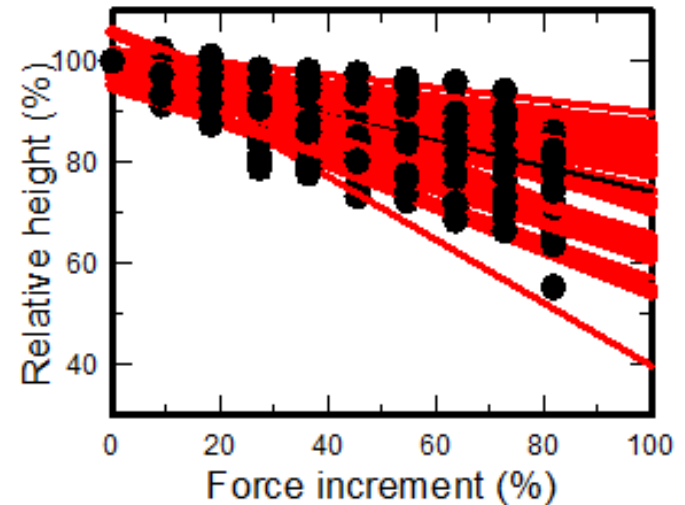
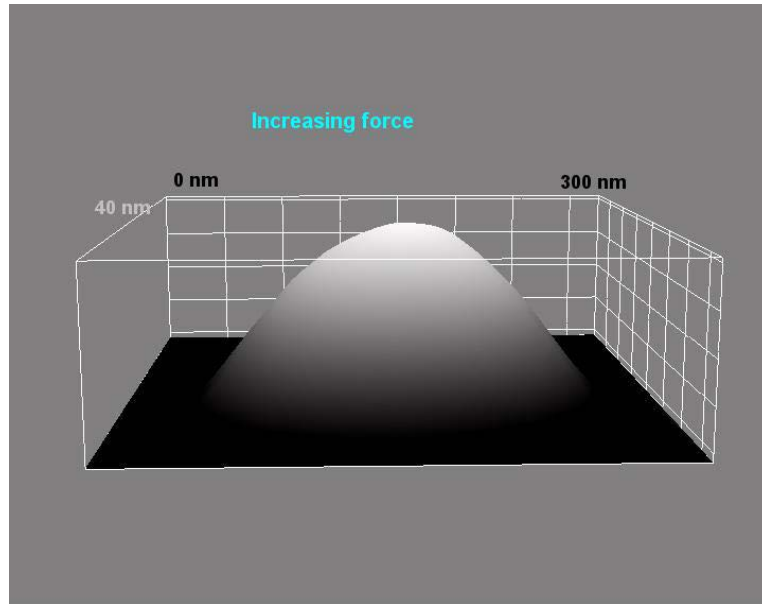


Stiffening of red blood cells

Increased vesiculation



Dynamic response of vesicles during imaging



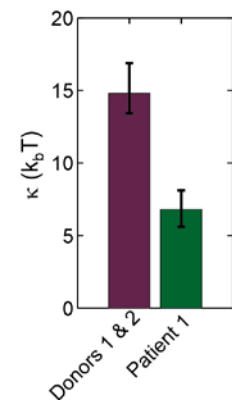
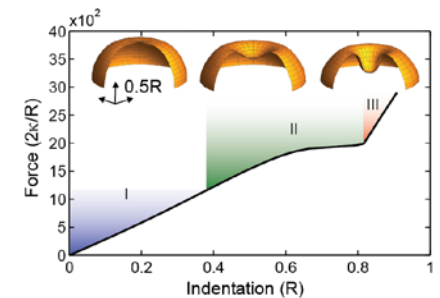
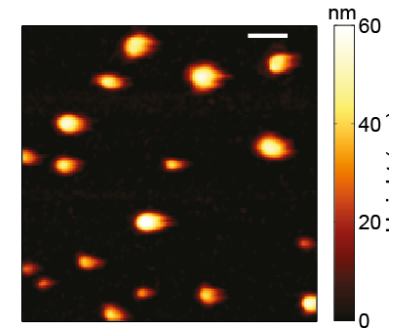
Conclusions

Correspondence between experiment and theory illustrates deep **understanding of mechanics of small vesicles**.

Quantitative model for vesicle indentations based on established theory allows **estimation of bending modulus**.

Approach widely useful for **artificial** and **natural** vesicles

Spherocytosis patient derived vesicles have lower κ , which potentially contributes to the **stiffening and clearance of red blood cells**



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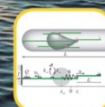


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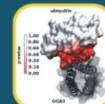
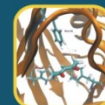
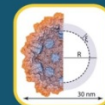
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