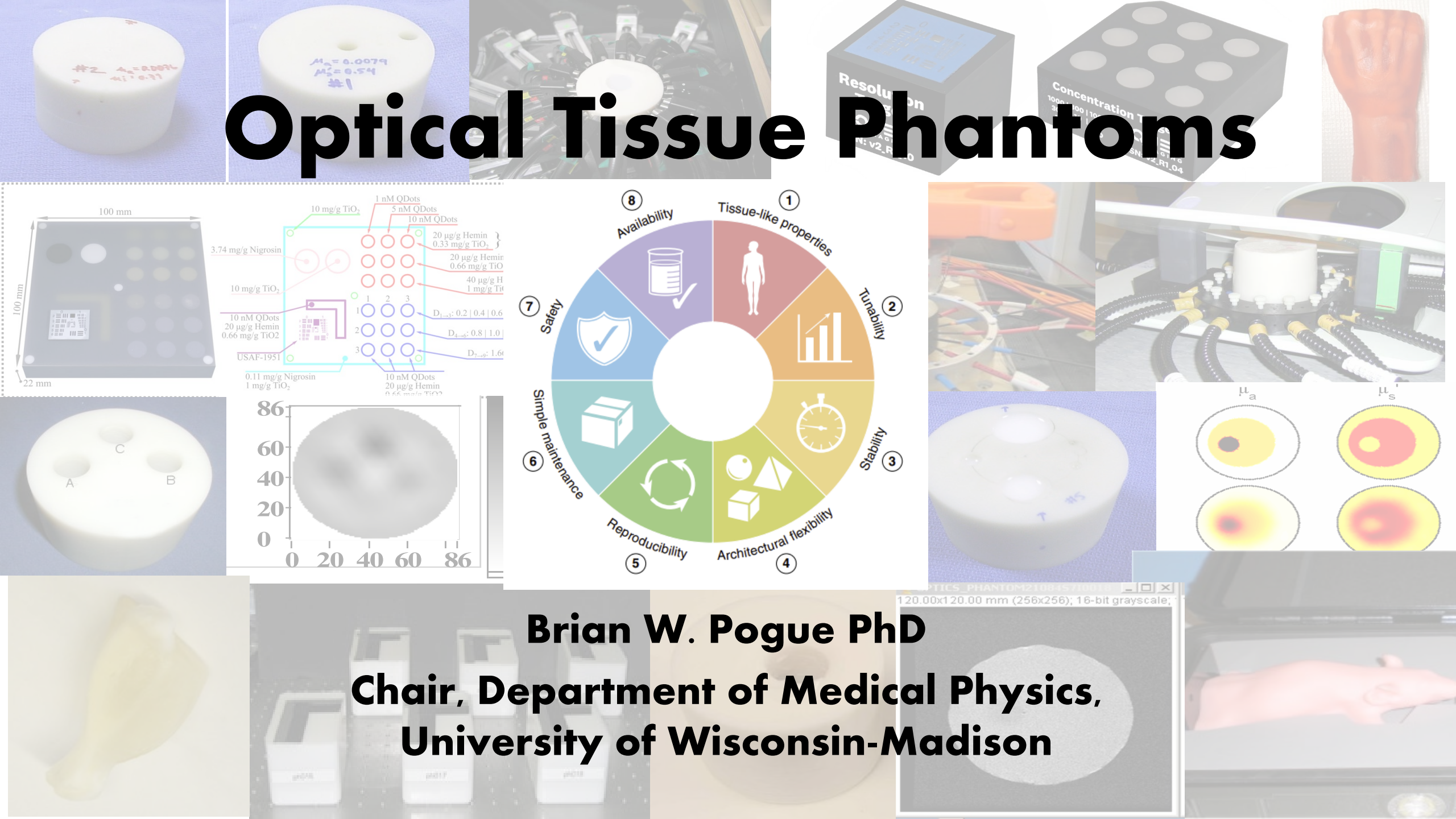


Optical Tissue Phantoms



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History of Optical Tissue Phantoms

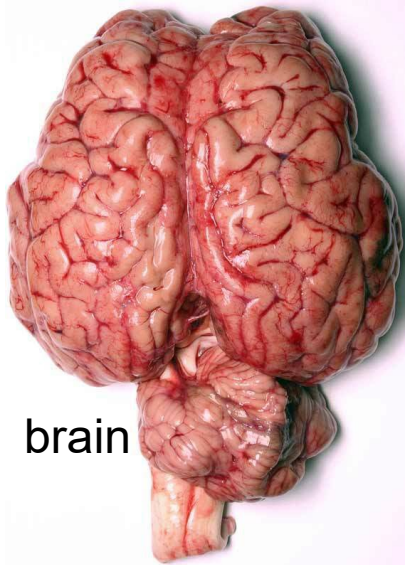
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**These are all
moderately
scattering
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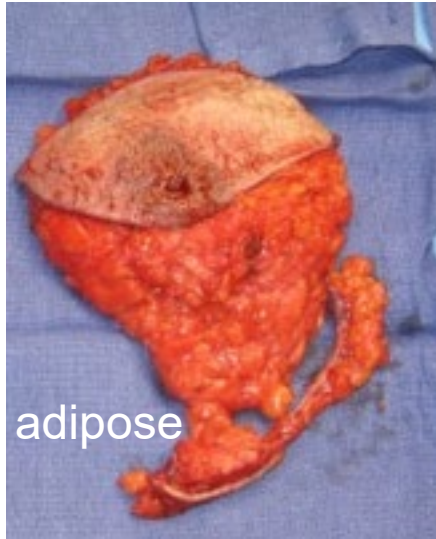


Large variations in tissue optical properties



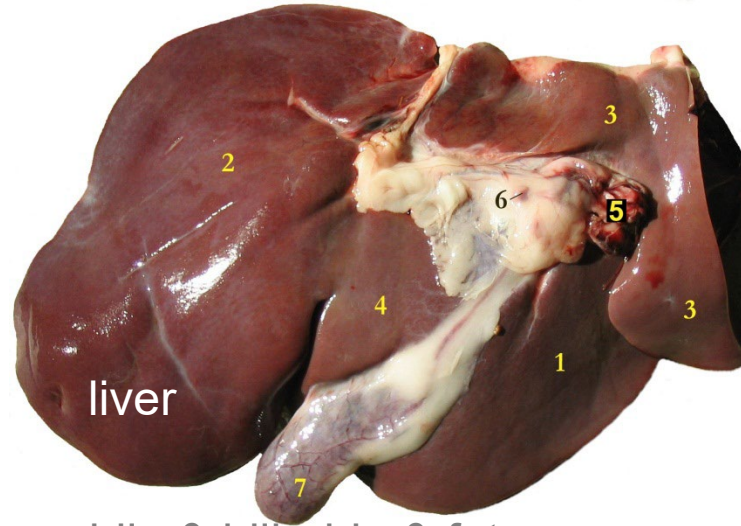
brain

blood & myelin



adipose

fat



liver

bile & bilirubin & fat



muscle

methemoglobin



skin

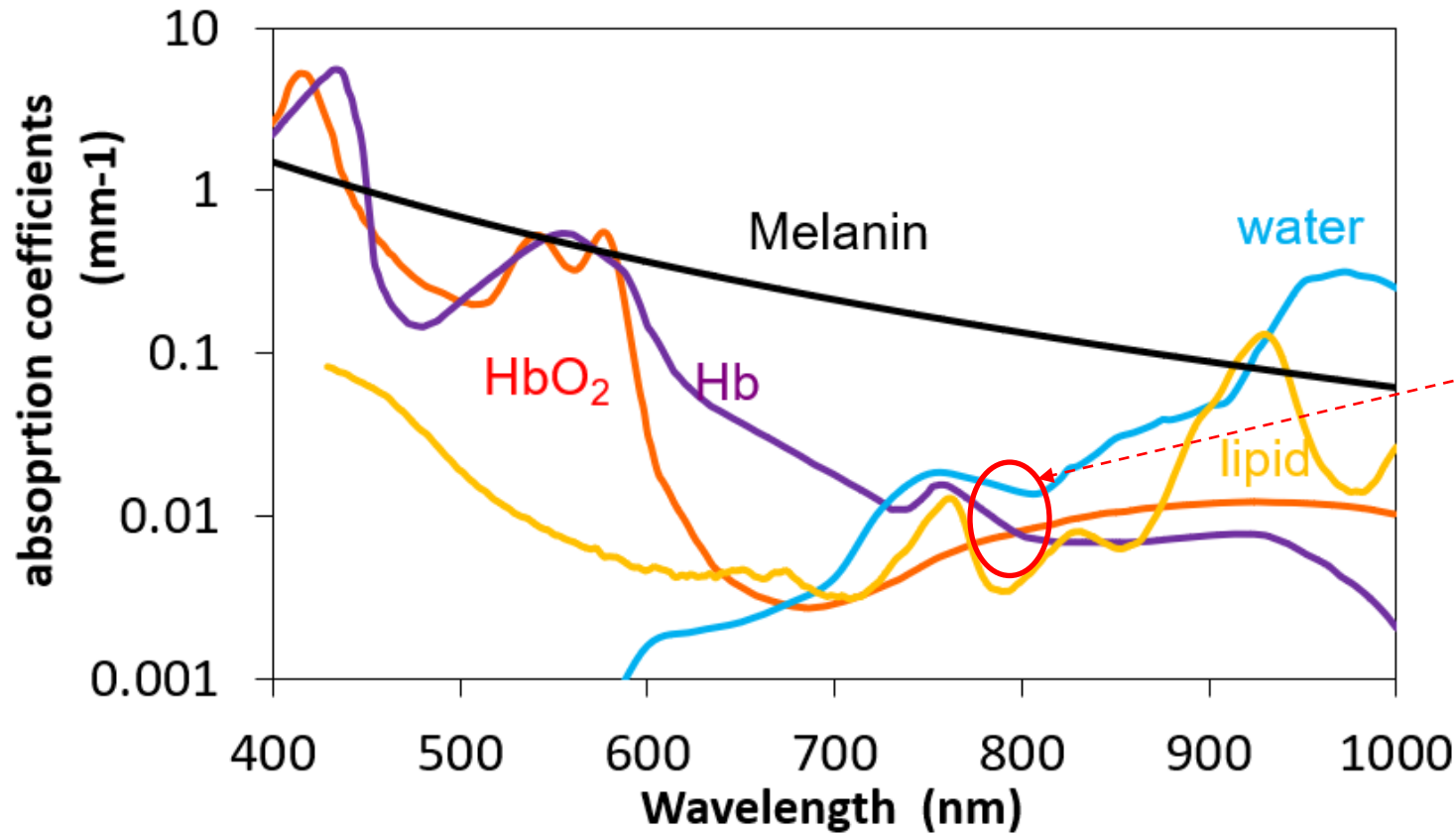
high scatter & melanin

bones



Collagen & minerals

Tissue Absorption Coefficient



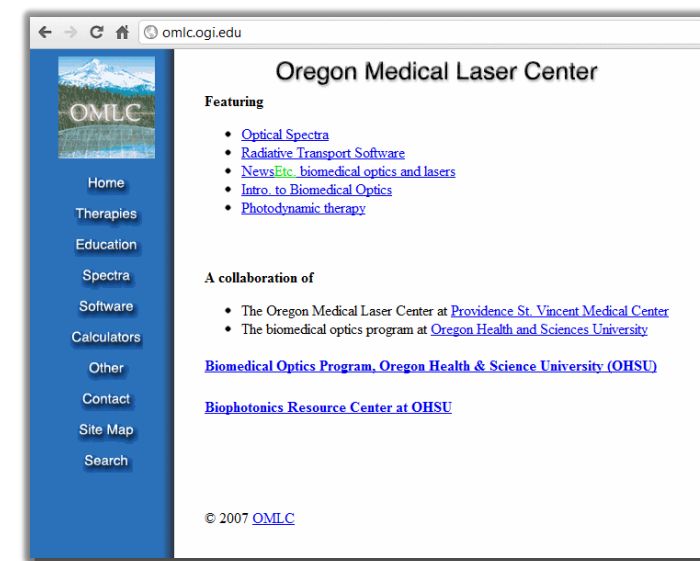
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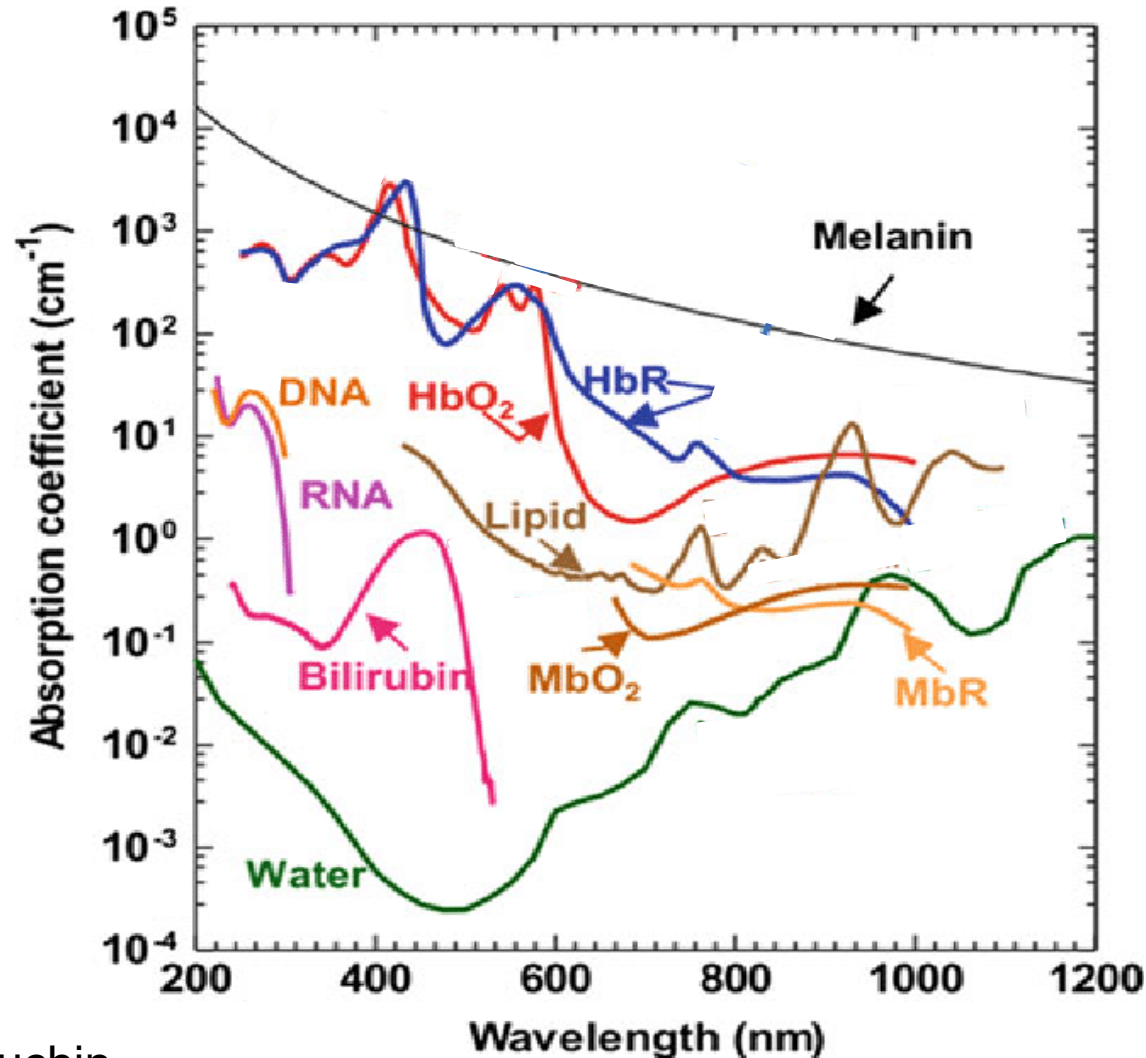
$$\mu_a = c * e$$

Units: μ_a =[mm⁻¹], c =[μ M], e =[mm⁻¹ μ M⁻¹]

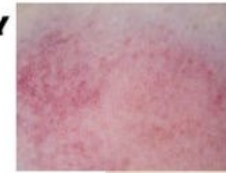
(beware these are typically base e,
not based 10 log units)



Tissue Absorption spectrum – a few contributors



INITIALLY



1-2 DAYS



5-10 DAYS



10-14 DAYS



Other smaller contributors:
Bilirubin
Methemoglobin
Proteins

Bruise – dynamic
Interaction of scattering
with hemoglobin &
bilirubin

SKIN TONES



A Review of the Optical Properties of Biological Tissues

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Abstract—A comprehensive compilation of published optical properties (absorption, scattering, total attenuation, effective attenuation, and/or anisotropy coefficients) of various biological tissues at a variety of wavelengths is presented. The theoretical foundations for most experimental approaches are outlined. Relations between Kubelka-Munk parameters and transport coefficients are listed. The optical properties of aorta, liver, and muscle at 633 nm are discussed in detail.

I. INTRODUCTION

THE propagation of laser light in tissue is a question of growing concern in many medical applications. Numerous models that predict fluence rates in tissue, or reflection and transmission of light by tissue have been developed. The accuracy of these models ultimately depends upon how well the optical properties of the tissue are known. Optical parameters are obtained by converting measurements of observable quantities (e.g., reflection) into parameters which characterize light propagation in tissue. The conversion process is based on a particular theory of light transport in tissue.

In past years, a host of investigators have reported values for the total attenuation coefficient, the effective attenuation coefficient, the effective penetration depth, the absorption and scattering coefficients, and the scattering anisotropy factor for a variety of tissues at a variety of light wavelengths. The majority of these results are based upon approximations to the radiative transport theory (e.g., diffusion theory). Yet sufficient variations in 1) model assumptions (e.g., isotropic-anisotropic scattering

A brief description of the radiative transport equation which is basic to all the light propagation models, and its associated parameters appears in Section II. Various solutions are presented to show how optical properties can be determined from using different measurements. Section III compares the Kubelka-Munk coefficients and the transport coefficients. Section IV provides specific descriptions of several methods used to determine optical properties. Section V discusses the measured optical properties for three selected tissue groups at 633 nm.

II. LIGHT PROPAGATION MODELS

Most of the recent advances in describing the transport of laser energy in tissue are based upon transport theory. This theory is preferred in tissue optics instead of approaches using Maxwell equations because of its inhomogeneity of biological tissue. According to transport theory, the radiance $L(r, s)$ ($\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$) of light position r traveling in a direction of the unit vector s decreased by absorption and scattering but it is increased by light that is scattered from s' directions into the direction s . The radiative transport equation which describes this light interaction is [1]

$$s \cdot \nabla L(r, s) = -(\mu_a + \mu_s)L(r, s) + \mu_s \int_{4\pi} p(s, s')L(r, s') d\omega'$$

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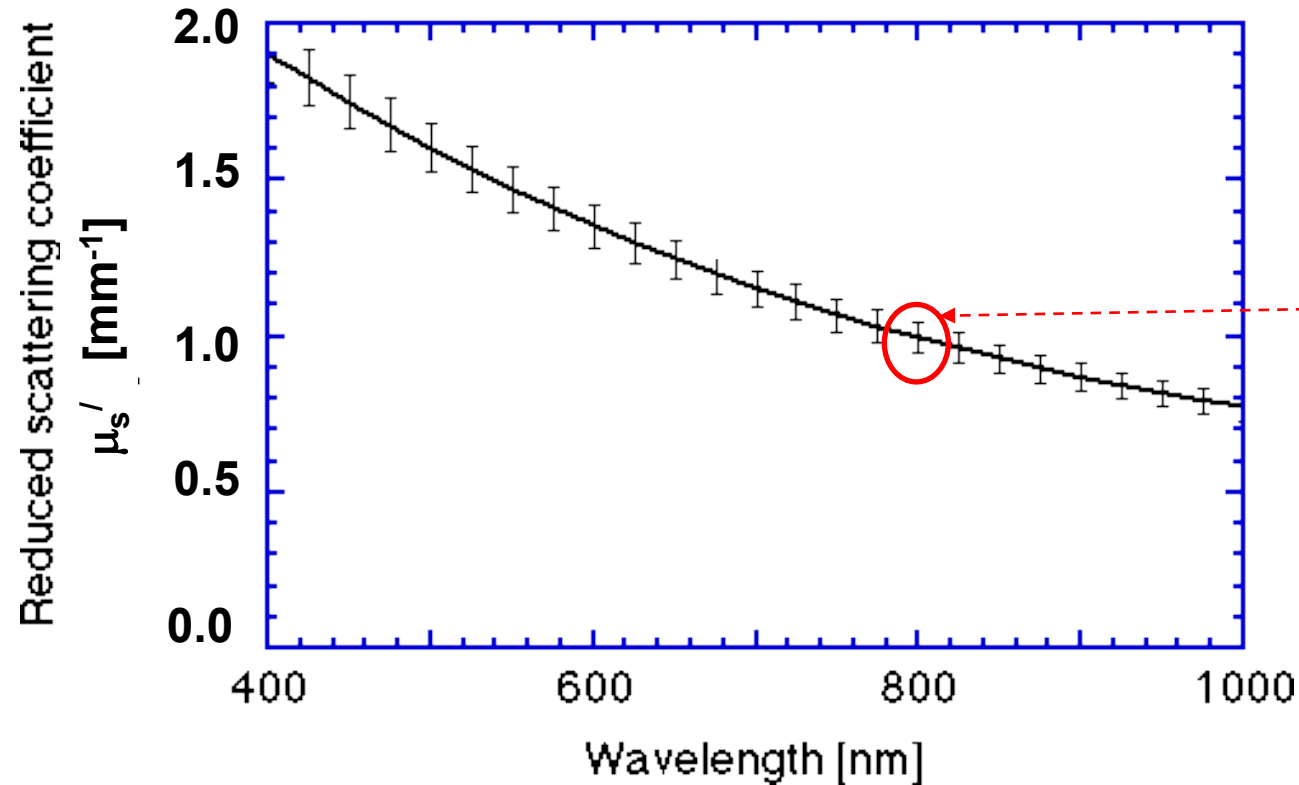


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Tissue Scattering spectrum

$$\mu_s'(\lambda) = A \lambda^{-b}$$

A – amplitude
b – scattering power
b = 0.9 - 1.4

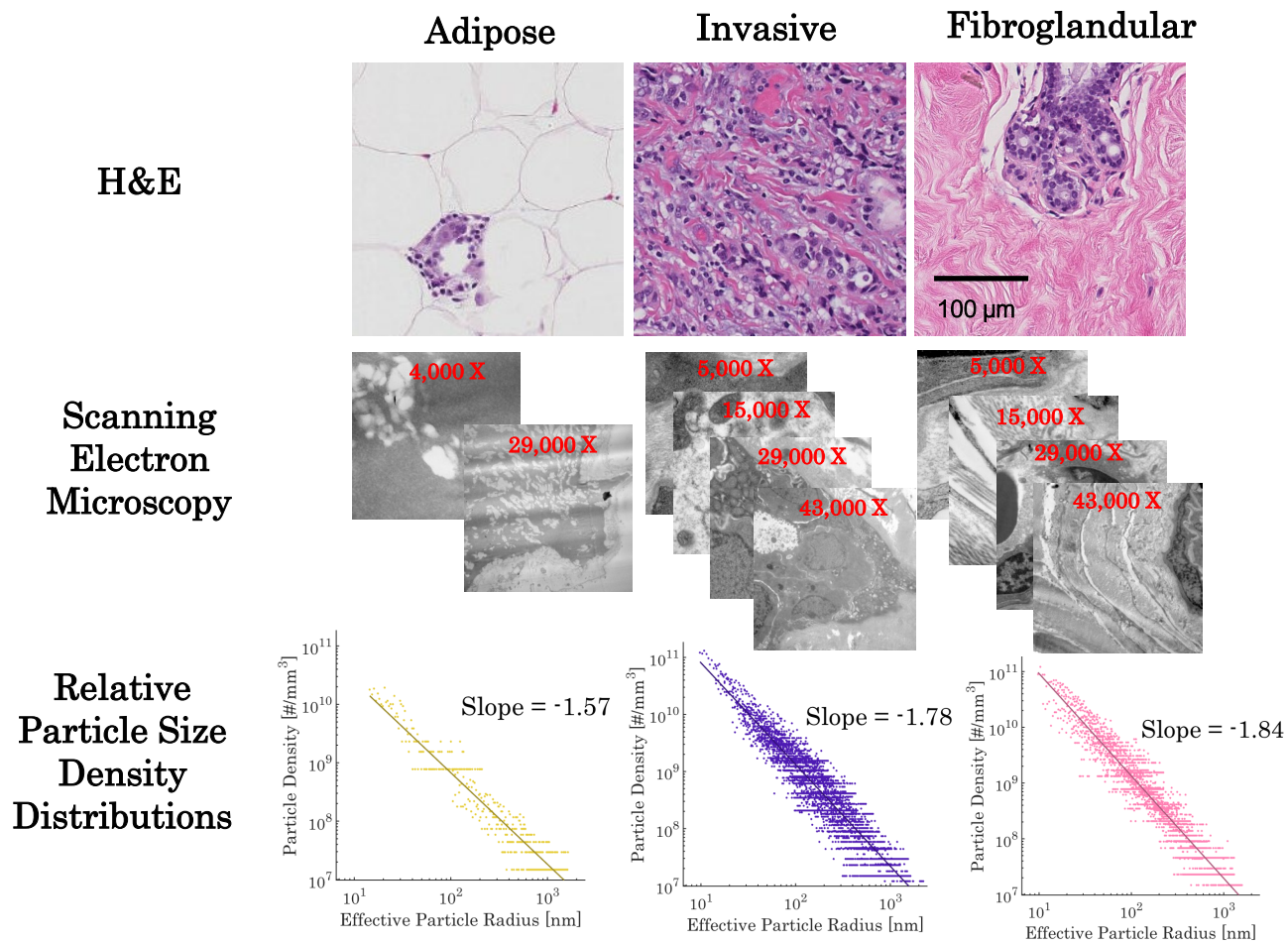


$\mu_s' \approx 1.0 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ at 800 nm

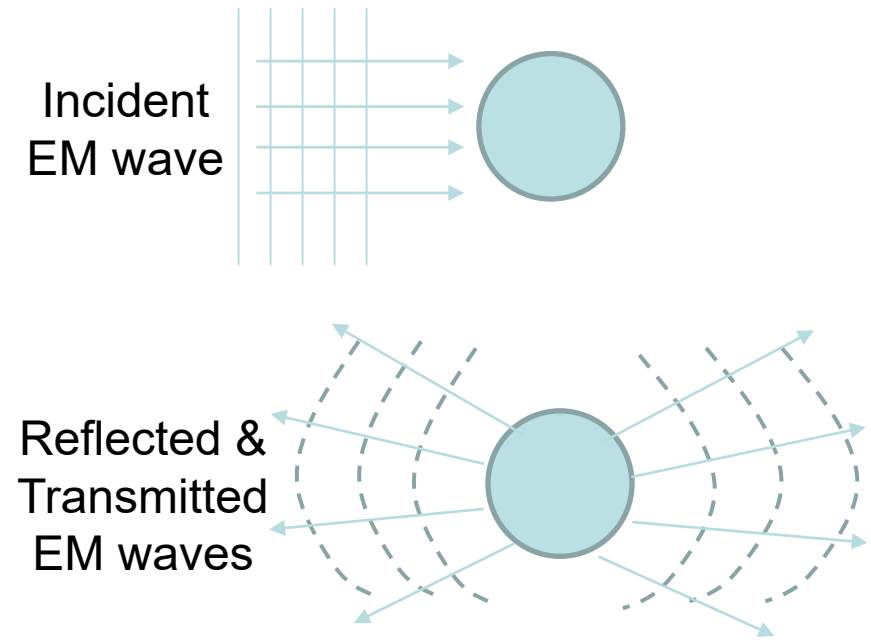
$$\mu_a = 0.01 \text{ mm}^{-1}, \mu_s' = 1.0 \text{ mm}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{\text{eff}} = 0.17 \text{ mm}^{-1}$$

Tissue is very close to Mie + Rayleigh scatter



Mie scattering theory:
 Plane EM waves scattering from dielectric spheres

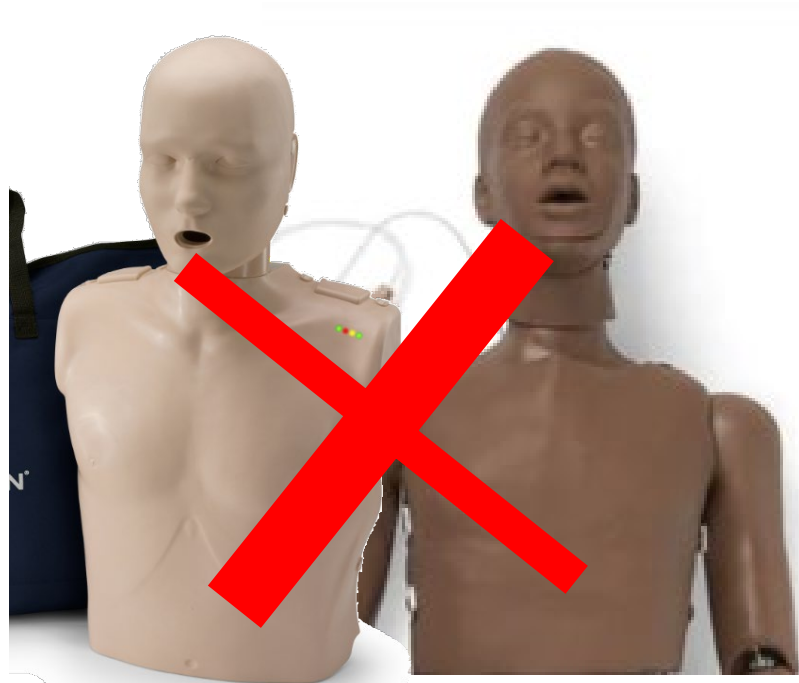


Mie theory predicts scatter spectrum

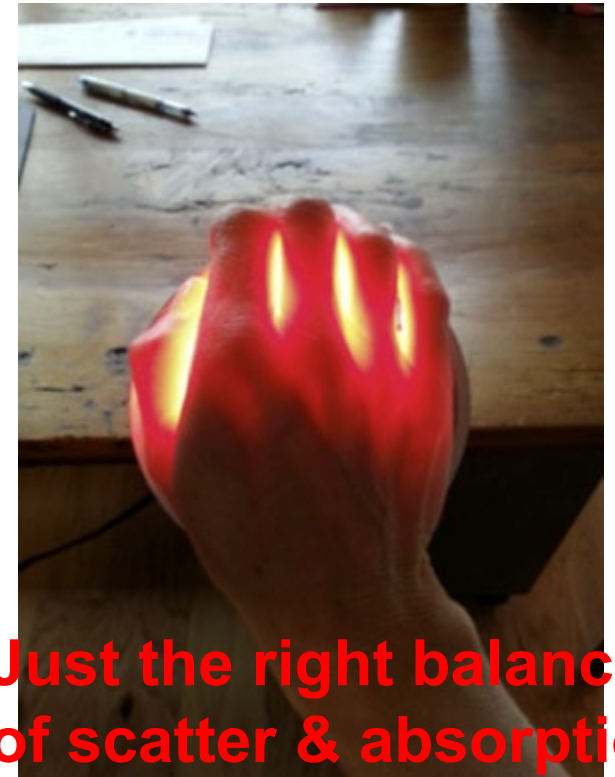
Combination of high scatter & absorption makes tissue translucent



CPR body phantom

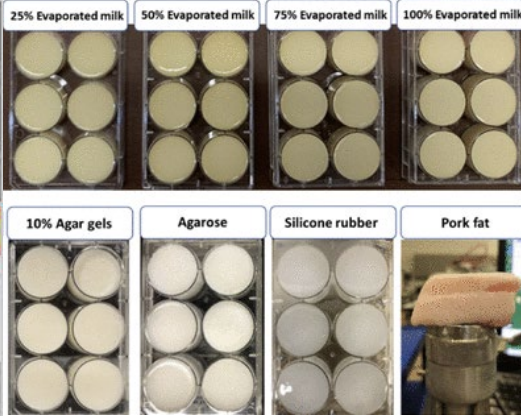
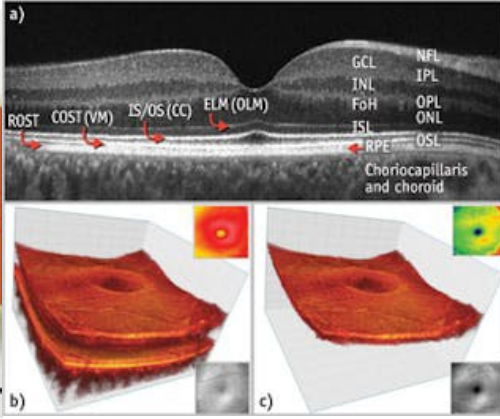
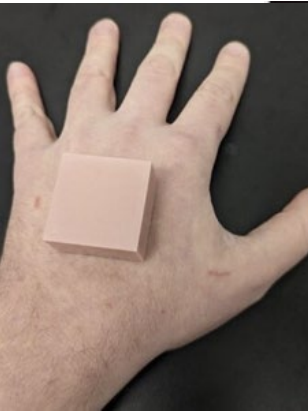
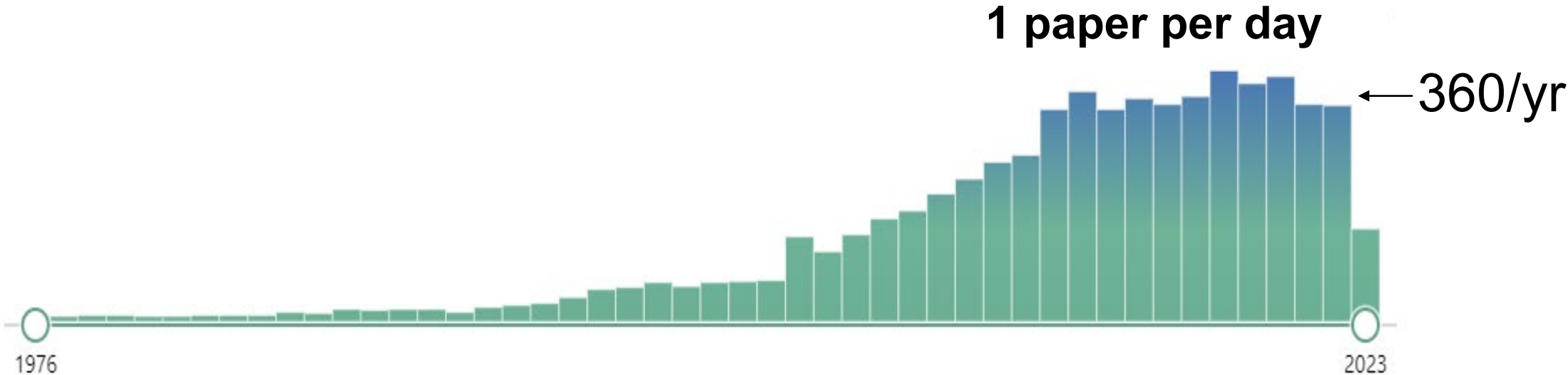


Not translucent



**Just the right balance
of scatter & absorption**

Optical tissue phantom publications



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Light scattering in Intralipid-10% in the wavelength range of 400–1100 nm

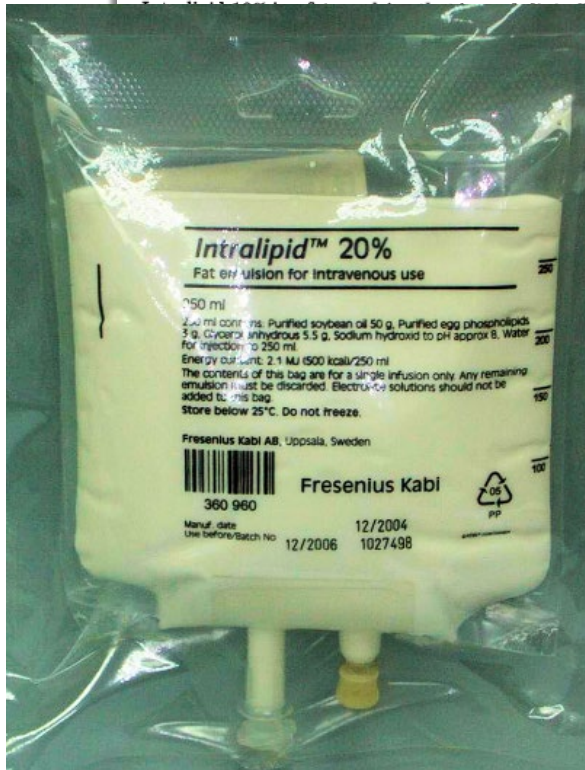
Hugo J. van Staveren, Christian J. M. Moes, Jan van Marle, Scott A. Prah, and Martin J. C. van Gemert

The absorption, scattering, and anisotropy coefficients of the fat emulsion Intralipid-10% were determined by transmission electron microscopy. Measurements were performed by using the particle size distribution yielded values for the scattering coefficients from 400 to 1100 nm. The agreement with experimental values is better than

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I. Introduction

Values for μ_s were obtained by collimated transmittance with a small aperture detector as a function of dilution of 10% suspensions. Values of an effective scattering coefficient ($\mu_{s,eff}$) were obtained by fluence rate of an isotropic light source in an infinite suspension of Intralipid-10% added-absorber method.¹ Values for $\mu_{s,eff}$ were then calculated based on (approximating the transport equation in the P1 approximation) or the more exact



Intralipid is a highly stable source of scattering media

1992

Lasers Surg Med. 1992;12(5):510-9.

Optical properties of Intralipid: a phantom medium for light propagation studies.

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Abstract

Intralipid is an intravenous nutrient oil-in-water emulsion. Intralipid is turbid and has no strong absorption in the visible. It is readily available and relatively inexpensive for use in dosimetry experiments. In order to avoid the use of expensive dyes, Intralipid at various concentrations and wavelengths is optically equivalent to Intralipid-10%. The interaction coefficients of Intralipid, measured at various wavelengths, are the measurements of the absorption and scattering. The attenuation coefficient from 500 to 890 nm is 1.5 cm⁻¹. The absorption coefficient varies from 0.001 to 0.01 cm⁻¹ between 400 and 890 nm, and the anisotropy factor is 0.9. With these data, we discuss the design of a light source for

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Optical properties of fat emulsions

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Abstract: We present measurements of the optical properties of different fat emulsions from three different manufacturers and Intralipid, with fat concentration of 10% and 20%. For each sample the absorption coefficient, the reduced scattering coefficient, and the anisotropy factor are measured for wavelengths between 400 and 890 nm. A method for the calculation of the optical properties of the emulsions is introduced. With the measured data, equations for the calculation of the absorption coefficient, the reduced scattering coefficient, and the anisotropy factor as a function of all measured samples are derived.

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OCIS codes: (290.3030) index measurements;

6 types



- Intralipid® (Fresenius Kabi AB, Uppsala Sweden)
- Nutralipid® (Pharmacia, Quebec),
- Liposyn® I, II, III (Abbot Labs, Montreal)

Baxter

Urgent Product Recall

March 11, 2008

RE: INTRALIPID IV Fat Emulsions

2008

Dear Director of Pharmacy:

Due to reports of leaking, Baxter Healthcare, the sole distributor of INTRALIPID IV Fat Emulsions is issuing a voluntary recall for its manufacturer, Fresenius Kabi, for the following INTRALIPID IV Fat Emulsion product codes, identified with the following lot numbers:

Hospira Issues Nationwide Voluntary Recall of Certain Lots of Liposyn™ and Propofol Products That May Contain Particulate Matter

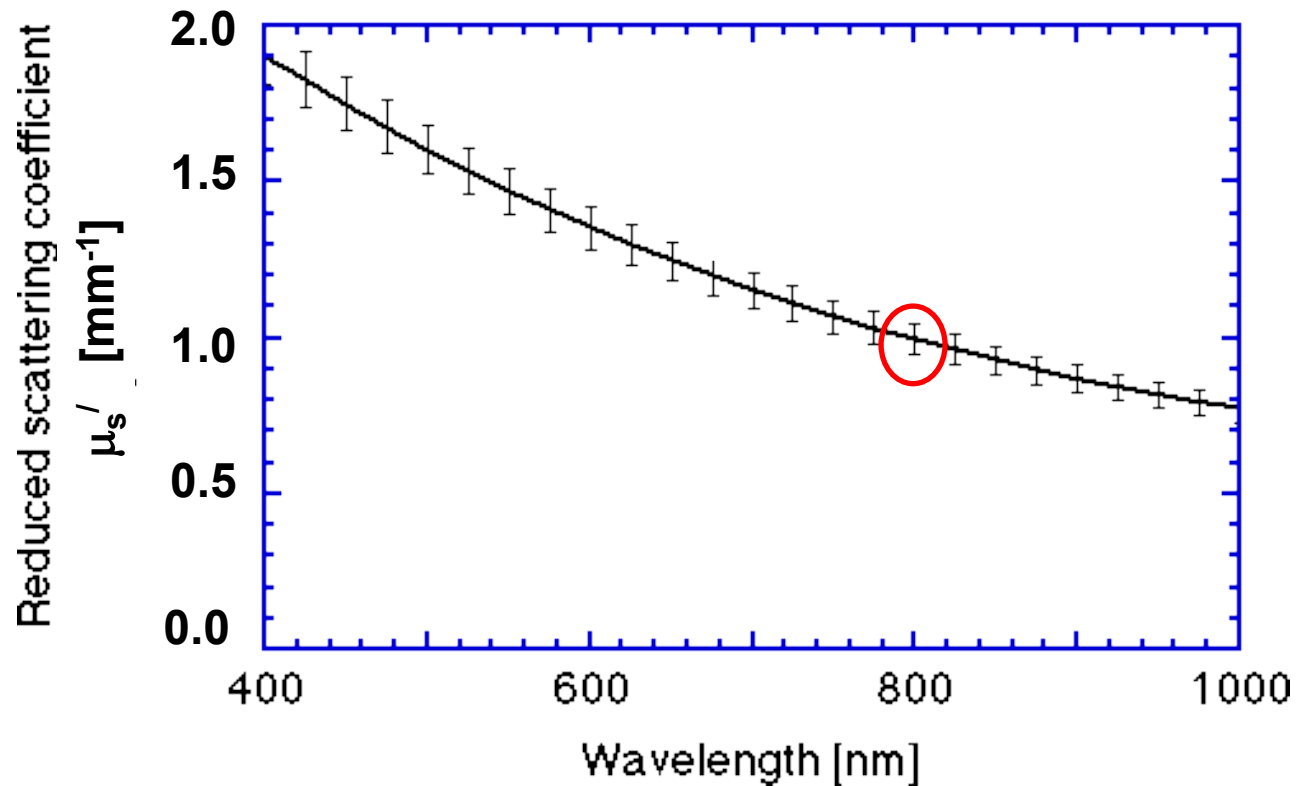
Nov. 6, 2009 - Lake Forest, Ill. - Hospira, Inc. (NYSE: HSP),, is voluntarily recalling 85 lots of Liposyn™ II 10%, Liposyn II 20%, Liposyn III 10%, Liposyn III 20%, Liposyn III 30% and 73 lots of Propofol Injectable Emulsion 1% ... because some of the containers may contain particulate matter. The source of the particulate matter has been identified as stainless steel equipment used in the manufacturing process.

Cost \$50/Liter c1990 → → → \$1000/Liter c2010

Scattering spectrum of 1% Intralipid

$$\mu_s'(\lambda) = A \lambda^{-b}$$

A – amplitude
b – scattering power
b = 1.4



$\mu_s' = 1.0 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ at 800 nm

c1993-1995

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NOTE

A design for a stable and reproducible phantom material for use in near infra-red imaging and spectroscopy

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Abstract. This note describes a stable, reproducible phantom material for use in near infra-red spectroscopy and imaging. The material consists of a clear epoxy resin with absorbing dyes and amorphous silica spheres as scattering particles. It is possible to calculate the scattering coefficient and angular scattering distribution of the material from Mie theory, using the known size and refractive index of the silica spheres together with the measured refractive index of the resin (~ 1.56). We show a good agreement between prediction and experimental measurements. The scattering properties of the material closely match those of tissue in the near-infrared wavelength region, having an anisotropy factor, g , of approximately 0.93.

The base material is a clear, unpolymerized liquid of a catalyst. The polyester has a low intrinsic absorption and non-scattering. Before the resin is set, measured quantities and absorbing dyes can be added. The scattering properties can be measured, and the mean cosine of the scattering angle can be measured, and the concentration of scattering particles a range of scattering coefficients can be produced. By varying the concentration of the resin can be easily controlled.

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An improved design for a stable and reproducible phantom material for use in near-infrared spectroscopy and imaging

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The absorption coefficient of the epoxy is low ($\sim 0.001 \text{ mm}^{-1}$), and addition of the dyes produces an absorption coefficient that covers the same range as that of tissue.

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Components

Epoxy resin: Araldite epoxy (MY753) & hardener (XD716), mixed in ratio 3:1.

Supplier: [Aeropia Chemical Supplies](#) (Crawley, UK).

Near-infrared dye: Pro jet 900NP.

Supplier: [Avecia](#) (Manchester, UK), formally known as Zeneca Ltd.

Scatterer: "Superwhite" polyester pigment.

Supplier: [Alec Tiranti Ltd.](#) (London, UK).



Review of tissue simulating phantoms for optical spectroscopy, imaging and dosimetry

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Abstract. Optical spectroscopy, imaging, and therapy tissue phantoms must have the scattering and absorption properties that are characteristic of human tissues, and over the past few decades, many useful models have been created. In this work, an overview of their composition and properties is outlined, by separating matrix, scattering, and absorbing materials, and discussing the benefits and weaknesses in each category. Matrix materials typically are water, gelatin, agar, polyester or epoxy and polyurethane resin, room-temperature vulcanizing (RTV) silicone, or polyvinyl alcohol gels. The water and hydrogel materials provide a soft medium that is biologically and biochemically compatible with addition of organic molecules, and are optimal for scientific laboratory studies. Polyester, polyurethane, and silicone phantoms are essentially permanent matrix compositions that are suitable for routine calibration and testing of established systems. The most common three choices for scatters have been: (1.) lipid based emulsions, (2.) titanium or aluminum oxide powders, and (3.) polymer microspheres. The choice of absorbers varies widely from hemoglobin and cells for biological simulation, to molecular dyes and ink as less biological but more stable absorbers. This review is an attempt to indicate which sets of phantoms are optimal for specific applications, and provide links to studies that characterize main phantom material properties and recipes. © 2006 Society of Photo-Optical Instrumentation Engineers. [DOI: 10.1117/1.2335429]

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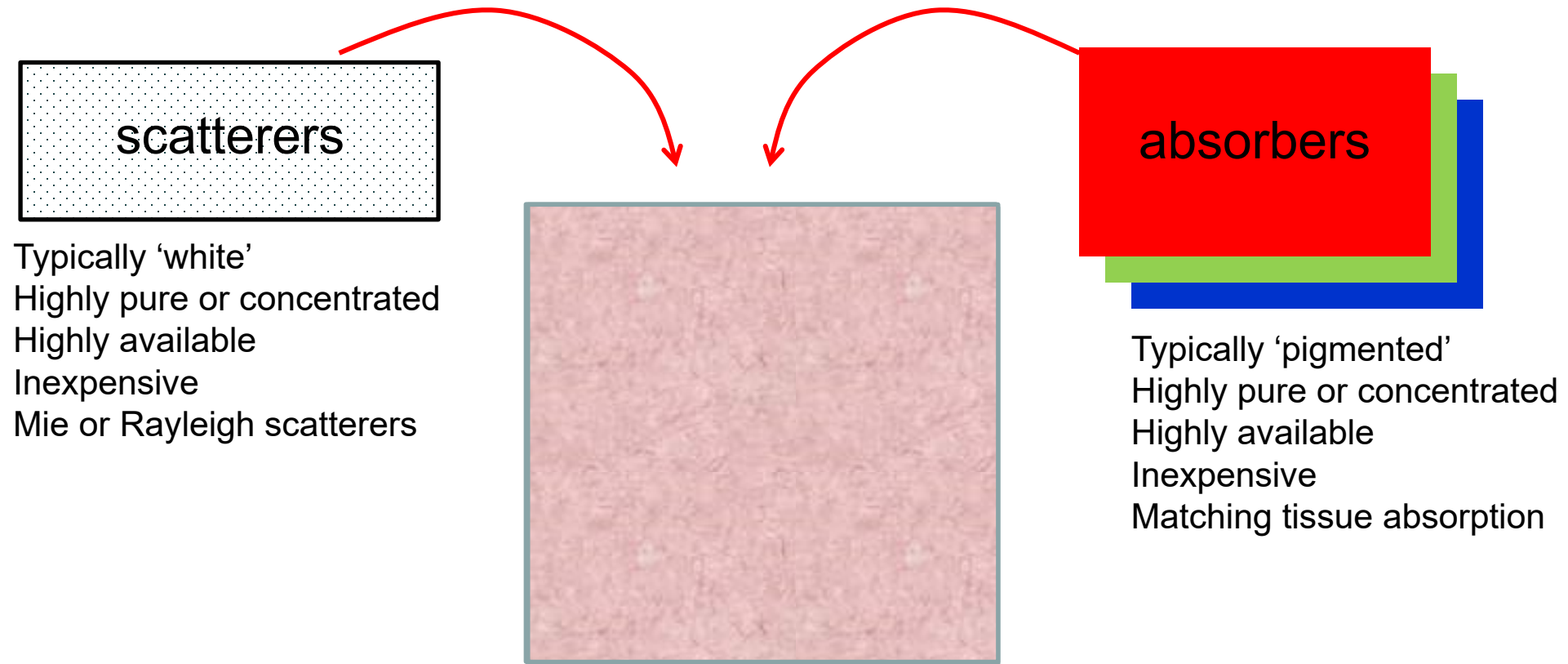
1 Introduction

1.1 Medical Tissue-Simulating Phantoms

for minimum performance criteria for new systems and for routine monitoring of existing systems. The benefit of this procedure is that system performance can then be made more

uniform between institutions and over time.

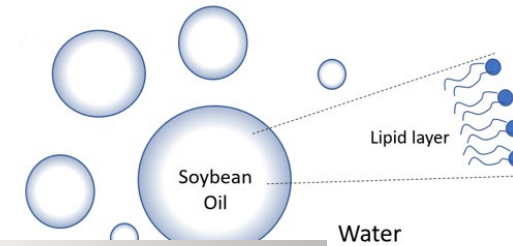
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Options for Scattering particles

Scattering Material	Permanent ?	Particle Size [nm]	Index of refraction	Particle distribution function	Recommended Use
Lipids					
Polymer microspheres					
TiO ₂ Al ₂ O ₃ Powders					
Quartz glass microspheres					

Intralipid particles



Titanium Dioxide Applications

This collage illustrates the diverse applications of Titanium Dioxide (TiO₂):

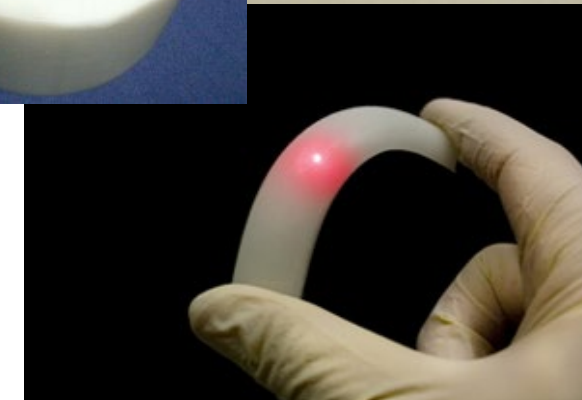
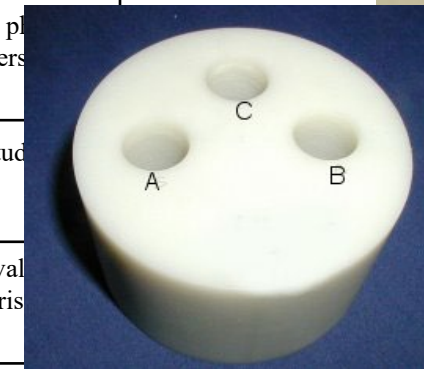
- Food Industries Confectionaries Sweets:** Shows a stack of donuts, various candies, and a pile of white powder.
- Cosmetic Industries Toothpaste Sunscreen:** Displays a tube of Colgate Cavity Protection toothpaste, a tube of Coppertone Sport sunscreen, and several cosmetic products like lipsticks and nail polishes.
- Bakery Industries:** Features a variety of breads and pastries.

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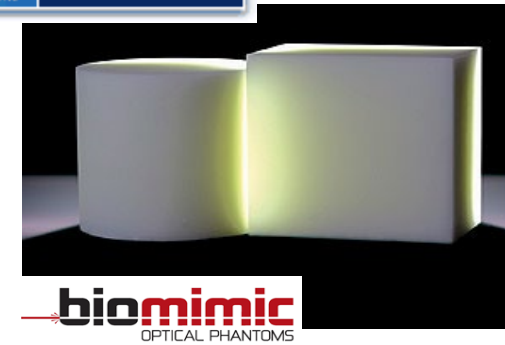
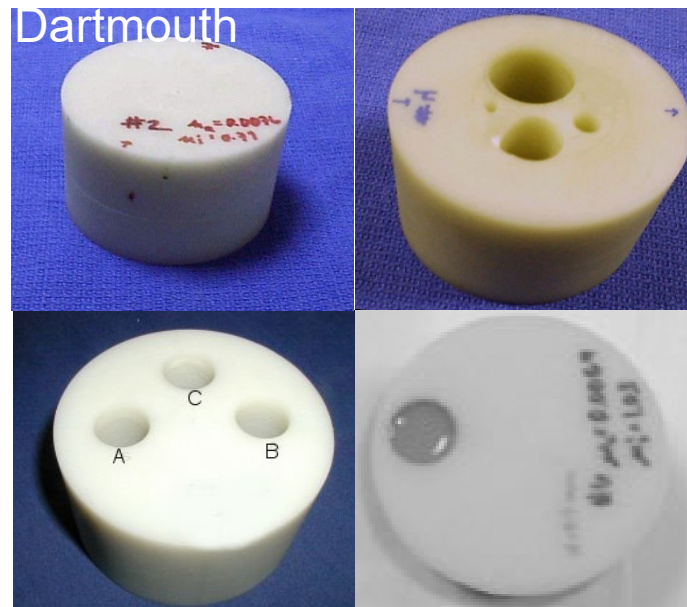


Phantom Matrix Materials

Phantom Matrix Material	Permanent ?	Solid/ Liquid/ Flexible	Biologically Compatible	Organic Chemical Compatible	Index of refraction	Recommended Use
Aqueous suspension	Y/N	L	Y	Y	1.34	Initial use & multiple phantom contrast studies
Gelatin/Agar matrix	N	F	Y	Y	1.35	Detailed heterogeneity phantom studies bio-absorbers fluorophores
Polyacrylamide gel	N	F	Y	Y	1.35	Thermal therapy studies
Polyester or Epoxy Resin	Y	S	N	N	1.54	Calibration & routine validation Intersystem comparisons
Polyurethane Resin	Y	S	N	N/Y	1.50	Calibration & routine validation Intersystem comparisons Inclusion of dyes
RTV Silicone	Y	F	N	N	1.4	Complex geometries with permanent flexible phantoms



Solid phantoms



Silicone Rubber base: better contact & mechanical tissue simulation

Lasers in Surgery and Medicine 21:227-234 (1997)

Three-Dimensional Optical Phantom and Its Application in Photodynamic Therapy

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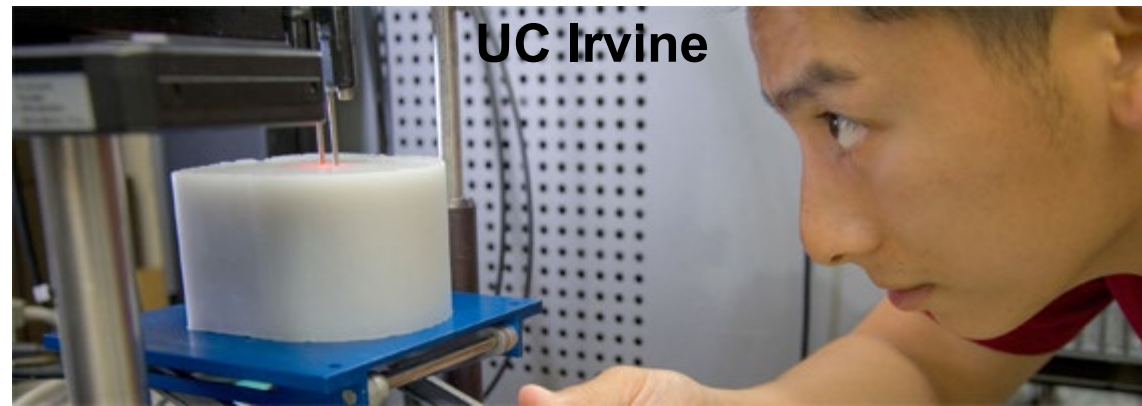
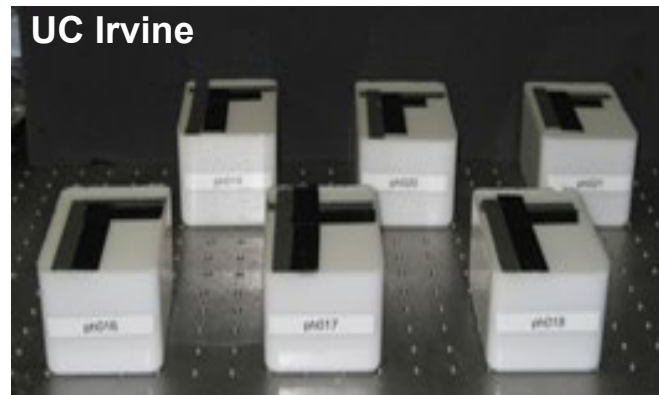
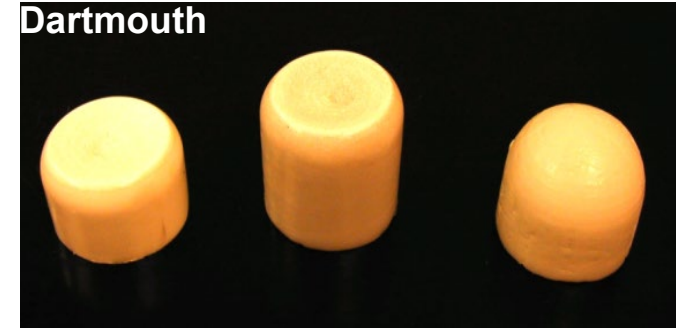
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Stable tissue-mimicking phantoms for longitudinal multimodality imaging studies that incorporate optical, CT, and MRI contrast

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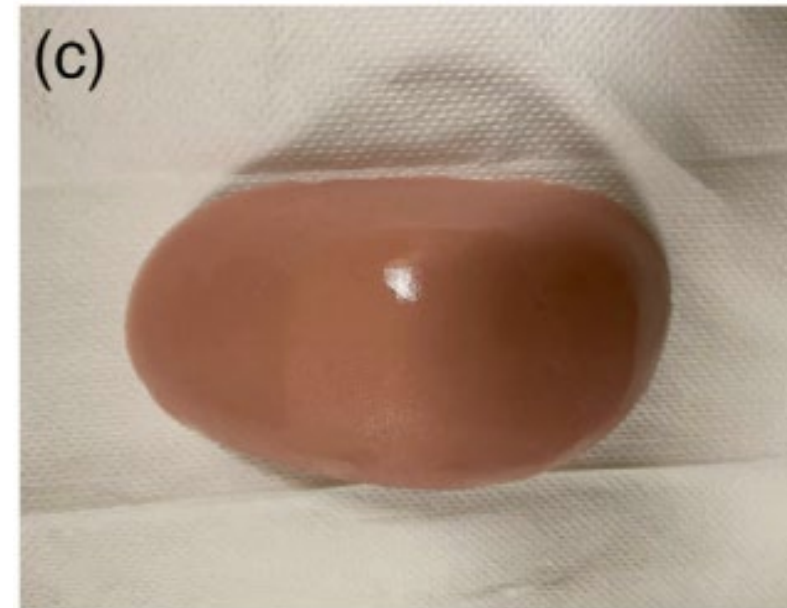
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1% white
0.5% pink

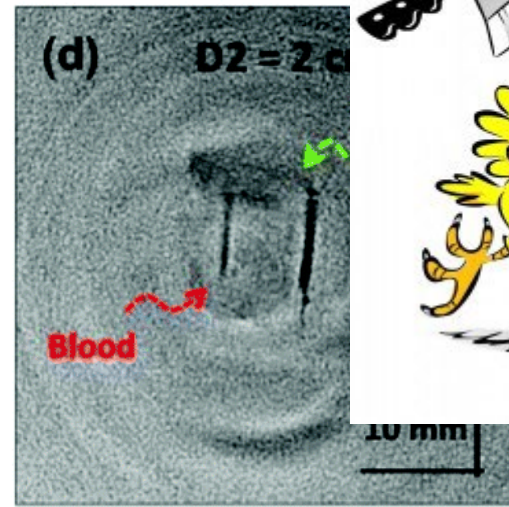
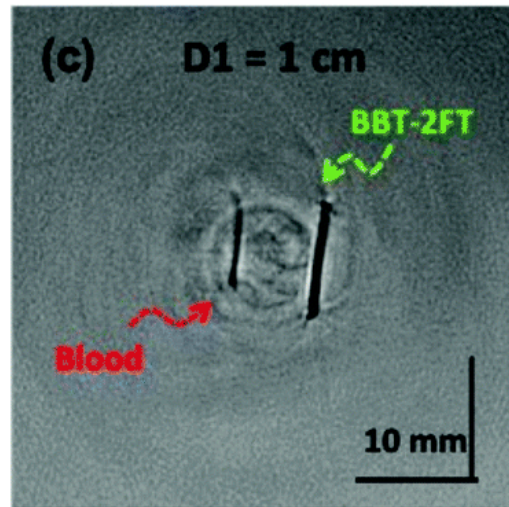
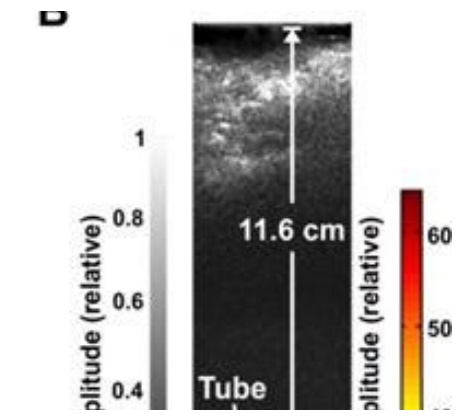
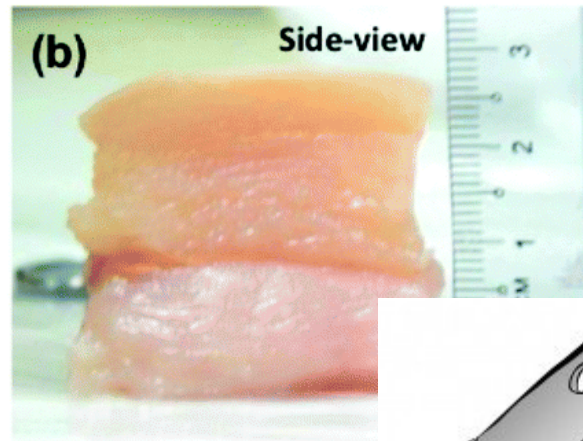
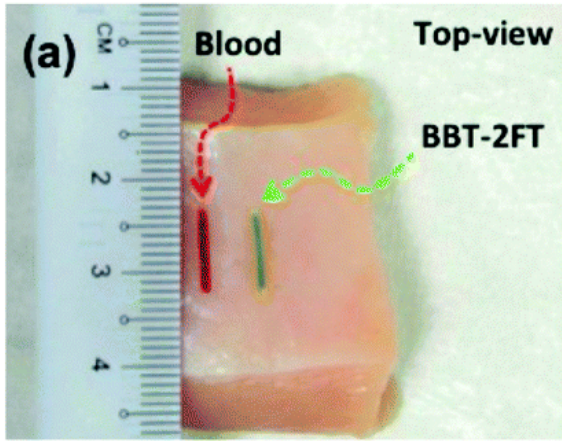
98.5% silicone



The tricky choice: Chicken breast → very low scatter!

$$\mu_a = 0.003 \text{ mm}^{-1}, \mu_s' = 0.3 \text{ mm}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{\text{eff}} = 0.03 \text{ mm}^{-1}$$



Just say NO



Anonymous....

Biologically compatible
optical phantoms?

Biological/Biochemical Phantom additives – typically aqueous

Additives	Function	Limitations	Stability
EDTA Penicillin	To avoid bacterial growth		Days - Weeks
Yeast or Sodium azide	Remove molecular oxygen		Hours
Formaldehyde	Increase melting temperature above room temp.		Years
Whole Blood	Provide realistic tissue spectra	Oxygen saturation is not easily changed	Days
Ink	Provide flat absorption spectra	- Not stable nor repeatable unless highly calibrated	Days – Years
Organic molecules (i.e. glucose)	Matrix holds most organic compounds	- stability of each molecule must be assessed	Days
Fluorophores	-Compatible with aqueous - Gelatin provides some de-aggregation	- May need to avoid aggregation effects with addition of additional agents	Days – Weeks
Heterogeneities	- Test Tomography and Imaging capabilities - Inclusions can be liquid or solid	- Clear enclosures need to be avoided due to light channeling - Index changes significantly at inclusions	Days – Weeks
Gadolinium or Copper Sulphate	Provide varying levels of Magnetic resonance contrast		Years
Actinometry agents	Provide measure of photochemical dose de	Unstable over long periods of time	Hours

Gelatin/Agar Base

Gelatin / agar



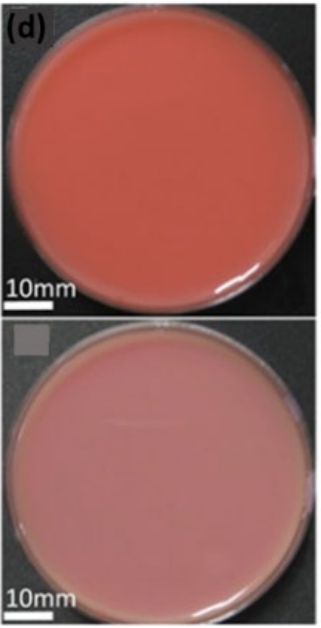
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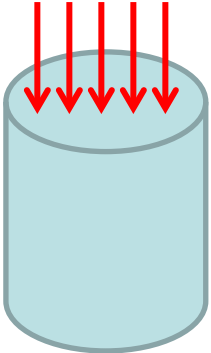
with blood



varying blood %



**Chemical actinometry
PDT Dosimetry**

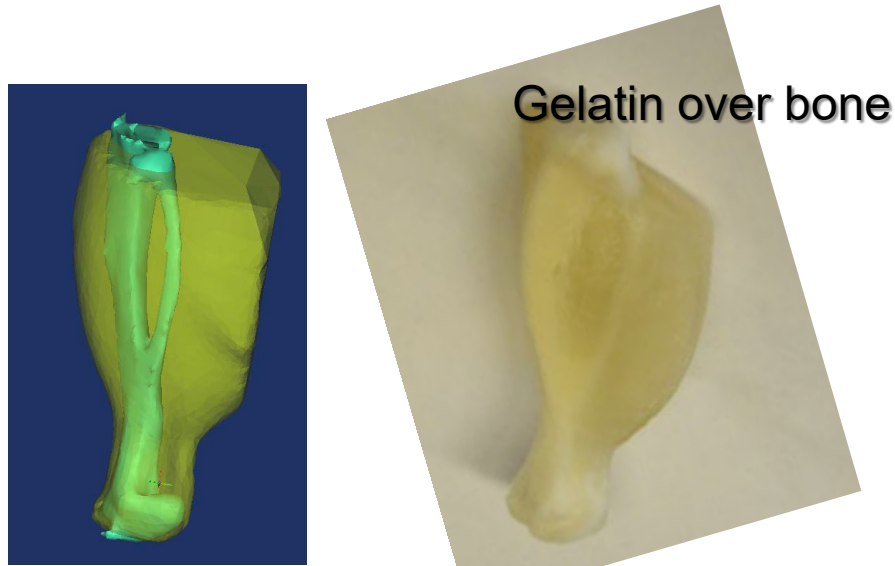


Gelatin
TiO2
ink
dichloroflorescien

Bone embedded



Leg/Arm Phantoms for shape & biochemistry for Raman Tomography of bone mineral



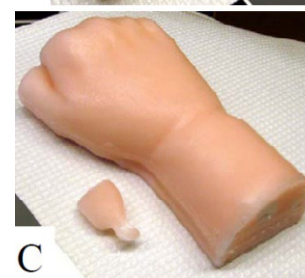
Rat tibia phantom



Anthropomorphic Mouse



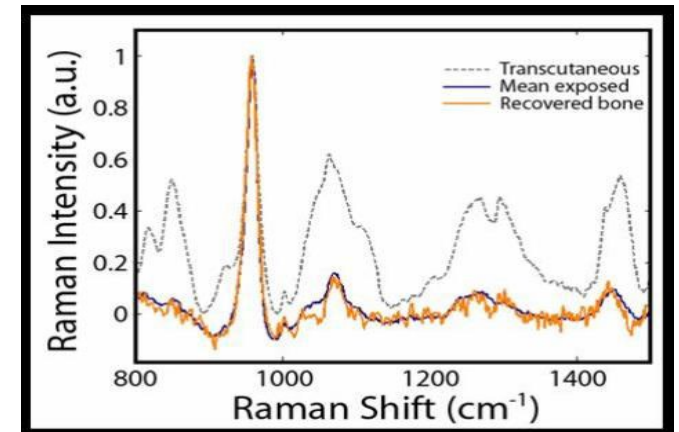
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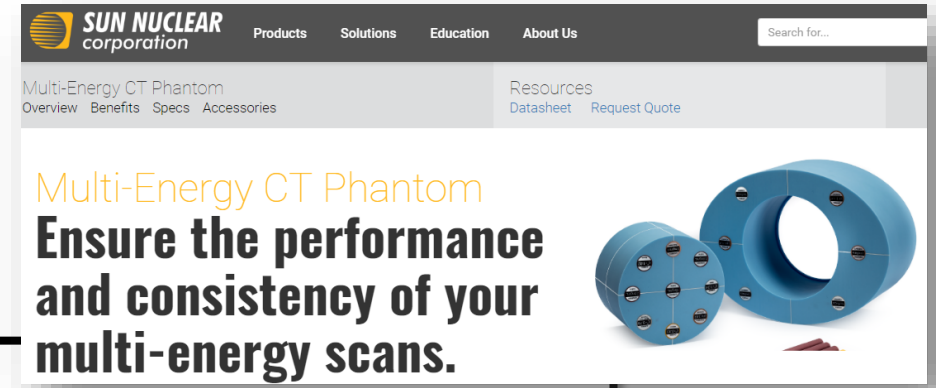
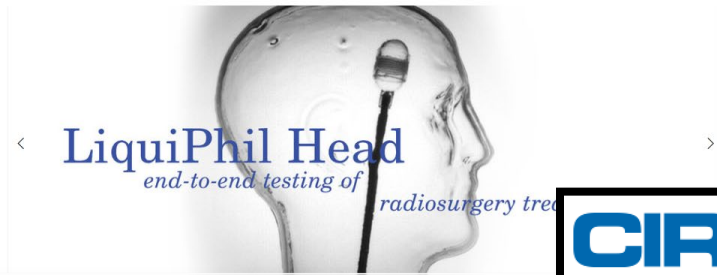
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Courtesy: Esmonde-White et al, Analyst, 2011



Phantoms are big business in medical imaging



Where can you get blood?

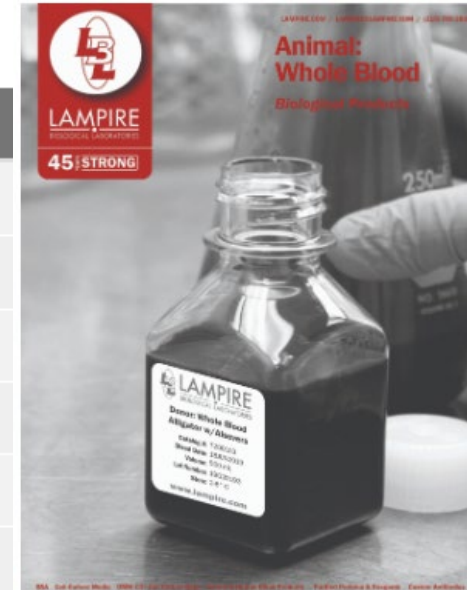


Many suppliers: just Google: research blood suppliers...

Part #	Species	Breed	Item Type	Anticoagulant	Gender	Volume	Price
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7200103	Alligator		WHOLE BLOOD	Alsevers		1,000 ml	\$1,177.00
7200501	Canine	BEAGLE	WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$434.00
7200501	Canine	BEAGLE	WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		100 ml	\$619.00
7200801	Bovine		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$33.00
7200801	Bovine		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		100 ml	\$50.00
7201401	Chicken		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$81.00
7202101	Donkey		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$33.00
7202203	Emu		WHOLE BLOOD	Alsevers		50 ml	\$600.00
7202511	Goat		WHOLE BLOOD	NA HEPARIN		500 ml	\$87.00
7203401	Horse		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$33.00
7206401	Rabbit		WHOLE BLOOD	ACD		50 ml	\$360.00

Species Available:

- Alligator
 - Bovine
 - Calf
 - Chicken
 - Donkey
 - Emu
 - Goat
 - Goose
 - Guinea Pig
 - Hamster
 - Horse
 - Llama
 - Mouse
 - Primate
 - Porcine
 - Rabbit
 - Rat
 - Rooster
 - Sheep
 - Trout
 - Turkey
- (Other Species Available, Please Inquire)



Efforts on Standardization



Criteria for the design of tissue-mimicking phantoms for the standardization of biophotonic instrumentation

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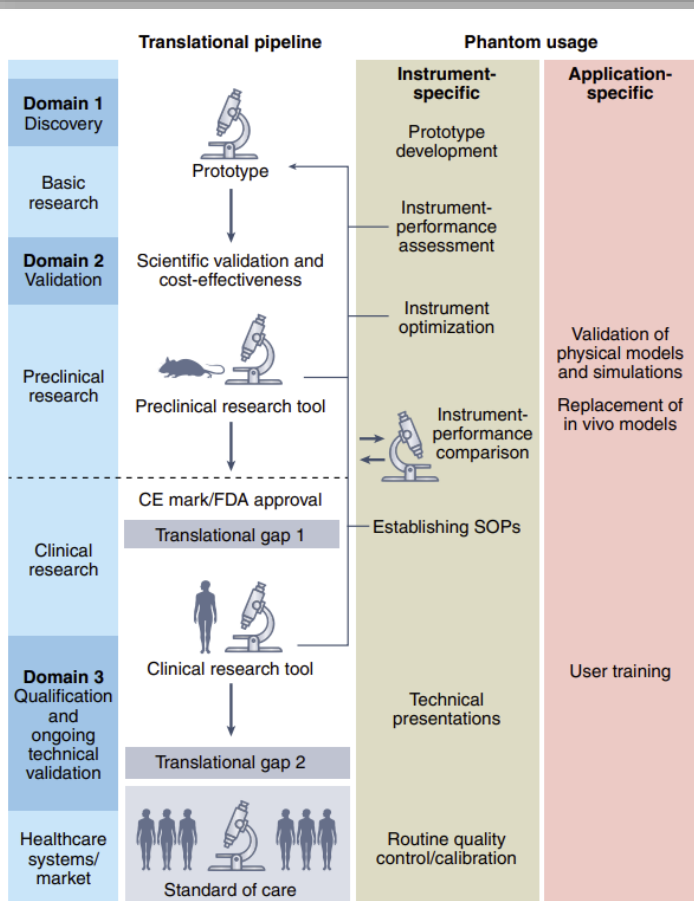
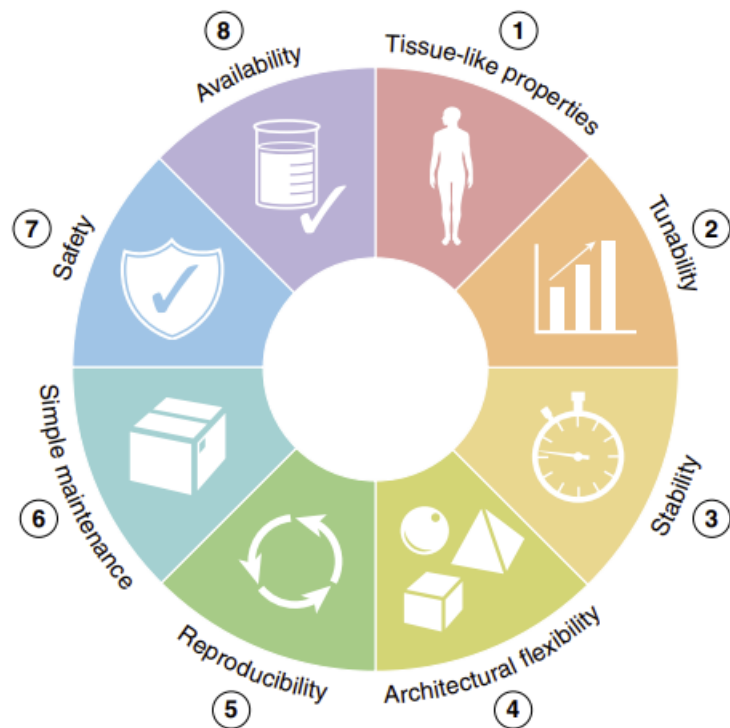


Table 3 | Comparison of the properties of materials used for biophotonic phantoms

Material	Tissue-mimicking properties			Handling properties			Fabrication properties			Biocompatibility	Refs.
	Optical	Acoustic	Tunability	Temporal stability	Mechanical stability	Storage and transport	Architectural flexibility	Complexity	Safety		
Aqueous suspension	++	-	+	--	--	--	-	++	++	Yes	43,284
Agar/gelatin	++	++	++	-	-	-	++	++	++	Yes	47,48,51,52,78,79,82,285
Polyacrylamide	++	++	++	-	+	-	++	+	-	Yes	96
PVA	++	++	++	+	+	-	++	-	++	Yes	88,90,105,286,287
Co-polymer in oil	++	+	+	++	++	++	++	+	++	No	166-168
PVCP	++	+	+	++	++	++	+	+	+	No	95,154,156
Silicone	++	-	+	++	++	++	++	+	++	No	131,132,272
Polyurethane	++	+	+	++	++	++	++	+	+	No	27,46,116
Polyester, epoxy resin	++	--	+	++	++	++	+	+	++	No	35,108,109,120
Ex vivo tissues	++	++	--	-	++	-	--	++	++	Yes	5

++, excellent performance; +, above-average performance; -, below-average performance; --, poor performance.

Standardization between EU systems

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Performance assessment of photon migration instruments: the MEDPHOT protocol

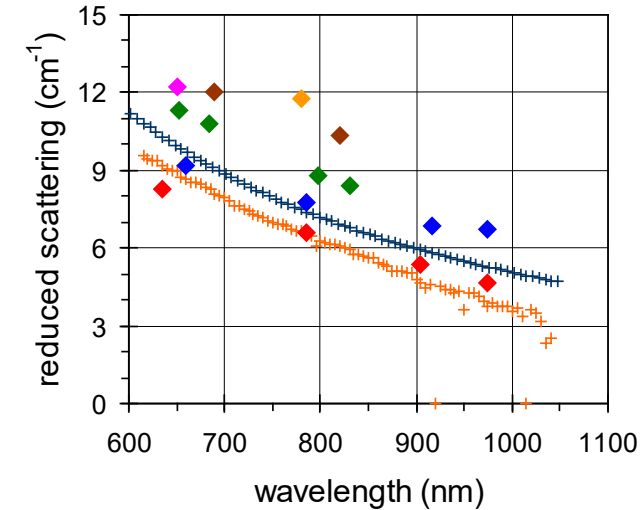
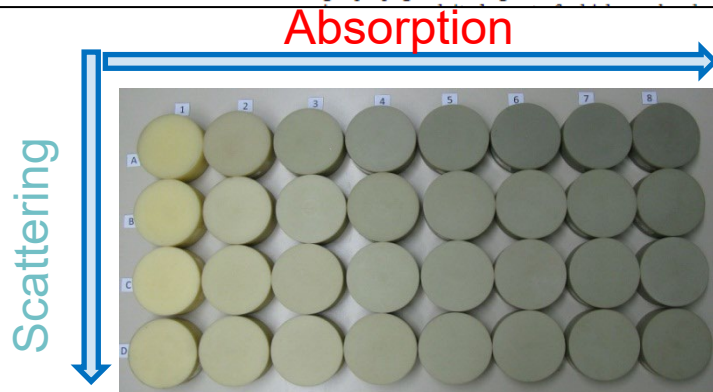
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We propose a comprehensive protocol for the performance assessment of photon migration instruments. The protocol has been developed within the European Thematic Network MEDPHOT (optical methods for medical diagnosis and monitoring of diseases) and is based on five criteria: accuracy, linearity, noise, stability, and reproducibility. This protocol was applied to a total of 8 instruments with a set of 32 phantoms, covering a wide range of optical properties. © 2005 Optical Society of America
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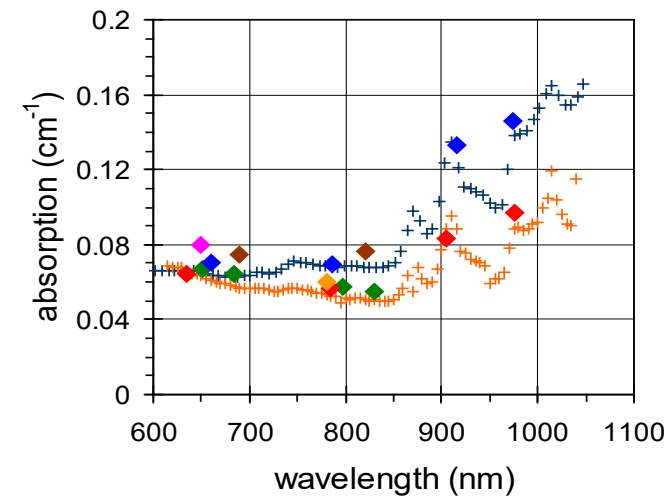
1. Introduction

In the past decade, the field of photon migration has grown rapidly, attracting the interest of researchers in a number of applications in the biomedical field, spanning from optical mammography to muscle and brain oximetry, from tissue spectroscopy to the study of bone and joint diseases, and from optical characterization of

photosensitizers to molecular imaging.¹⁻³ In addition to *in vivo* applications, in which interest has been strong, other fields have been pioneered, such as non-destructive characterization of agricultural products⁴ or quality assessment of pharmaceutical tablets.⁵ All these applications have fostered the development of a wide collection of instruments based on the detection of light propagated through turbid media. Different tech-



Note: accuracy $\pm 20\%$ is normal



Fluorescence guided surgery standardization

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Benchmarking of fluorescence cameras through the use of a composite phantom

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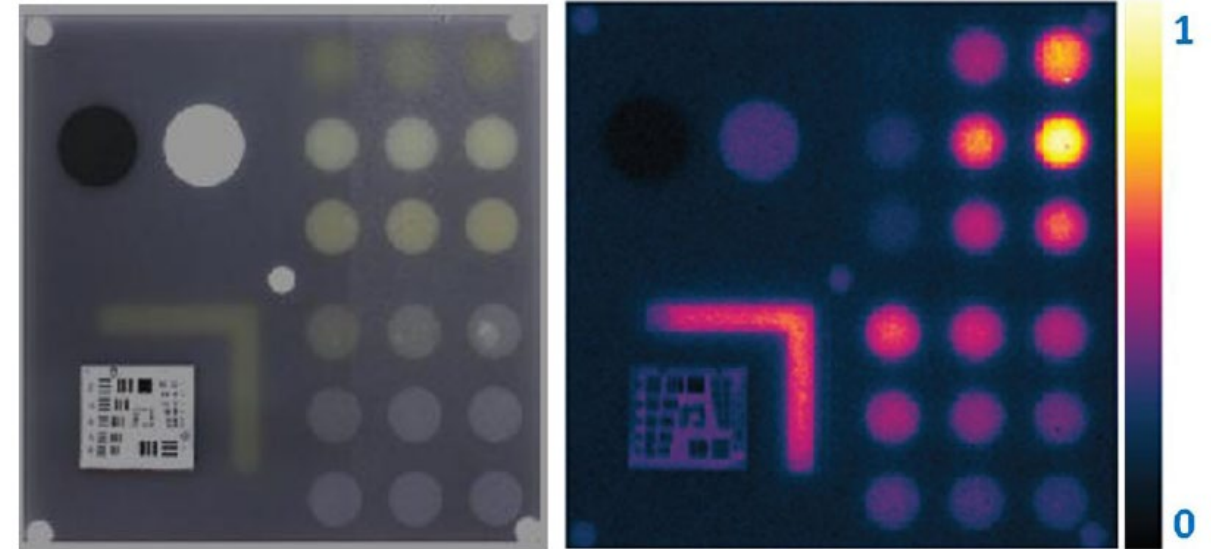
Comprehensive phantom for interventional fluorescence molecular imaging

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Abstract. Fluorescence imaging has been considered for over a half-century as a modality that could assist surgical guidance and visualization. The administration of fluorescent molecules with sensitivity to disease biomarkers and their imaging using a fluorescence camera can outline pathophysiological parameters of tissue invisible to the human eye during operation. The advent of fluorescent agents that target specific cellular responses and molecular pathways of disease has facilitated the intraoperative identification of cancer with improved sensitivity and specificity over nonspecific fluorescent dyes that only outline the vascular system and enhanced permeability effects. With these new abilities come unique requirements for developing phantoms to calibrate imaging systems and algorithms. We briefly review herein progress with fluorescence phantoms employed to validate fluorescence imaging systems and results. We identify current limitations and discuss

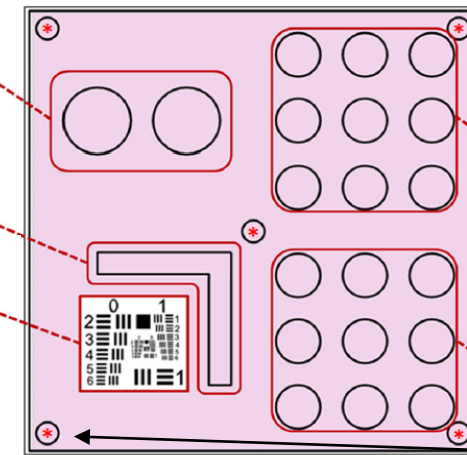


(a)

(b)

6. Background

3. Resolution



1. Concentration

4. Absorption & scattering

5. Depth

2. Flat Field

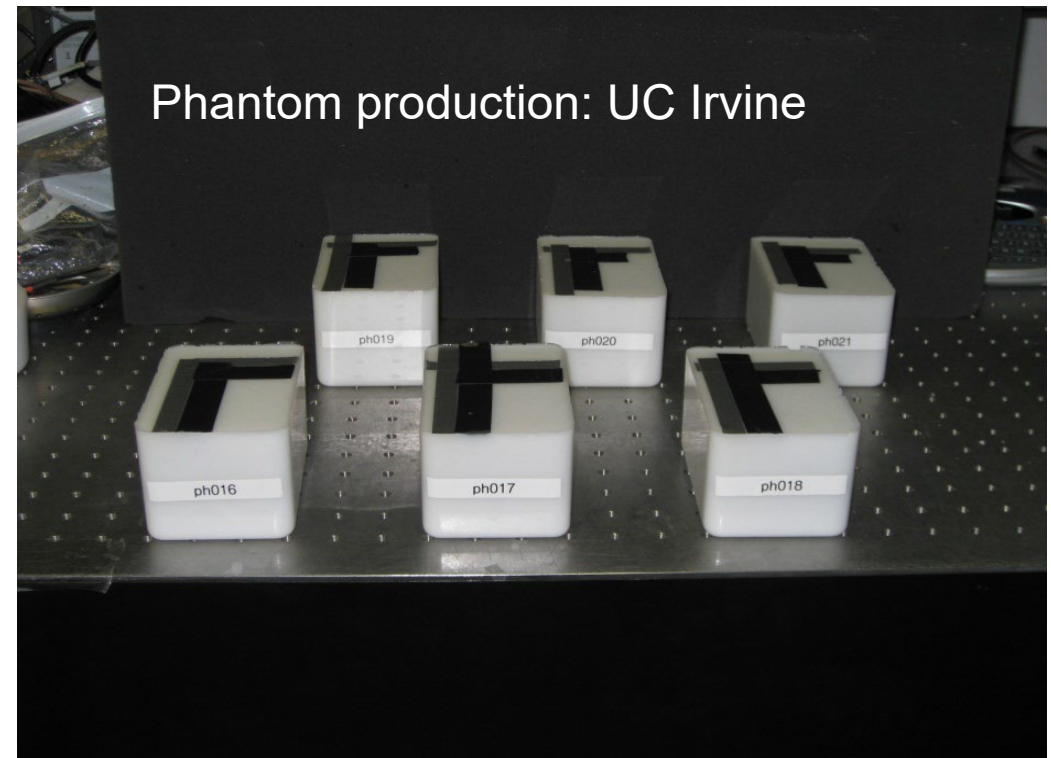
* : Control points of illumination homogeneity (n = 5)

(c)

NIR spectroscopy - Multicenter clinical trials



5 sites in
Multicenter trial



Standardization/commercialization effort

3D printed fluorescent phantoms

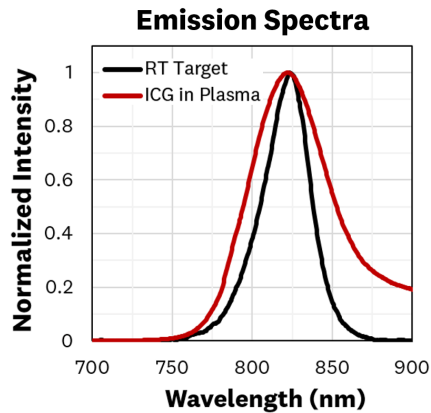


3D printed fluorescent test targets & phantoms



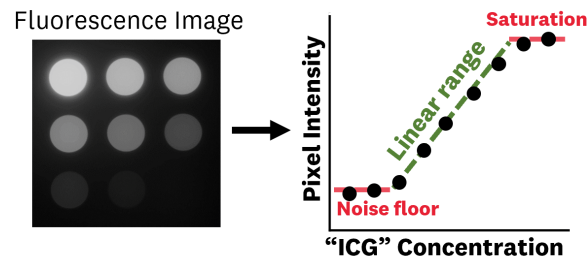
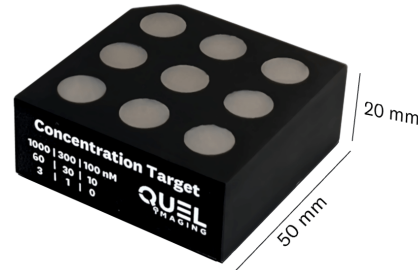
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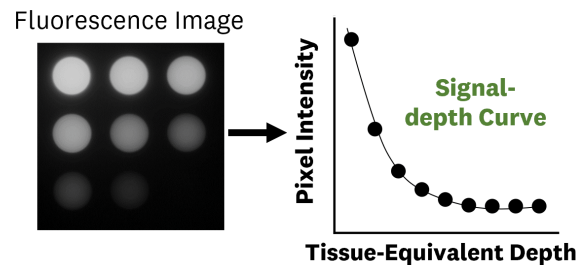
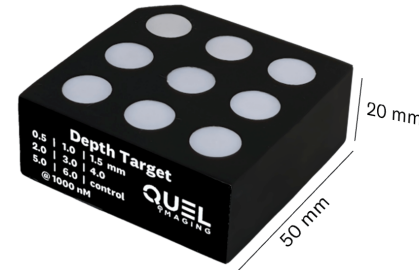
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1 - 1000 nM ICG-equivalent
+ control well (0 nM)



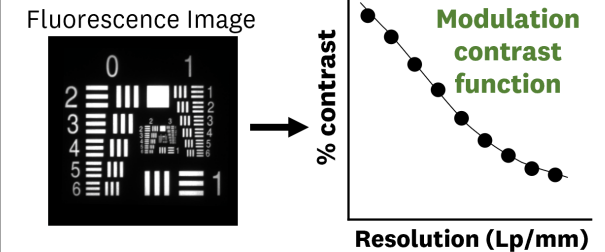
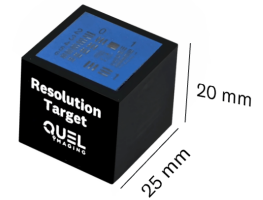
Depth Sensitivity

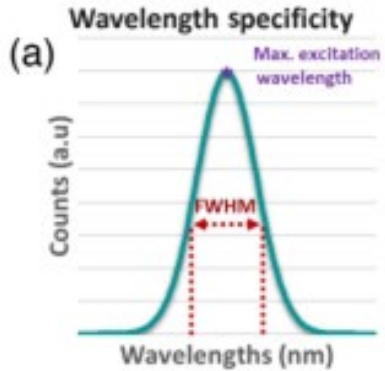
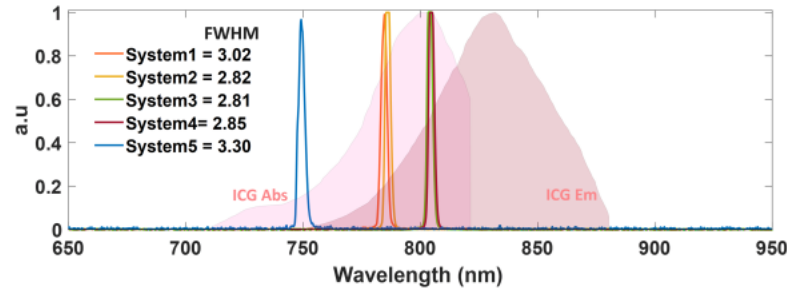
0.5 - 6.0 mm Tissue equivalent depths
@ 1000 nM ICG-equivalent



Fluorescence Resolution

USAF 1951 Resolution target
288 lp/mm (~2 μm) @ 1000 nM





(b)

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RESEARCH PAPER

Assessment of open-field fluorescence guided surgery systems: implementing a standardized method for characterization and comparison

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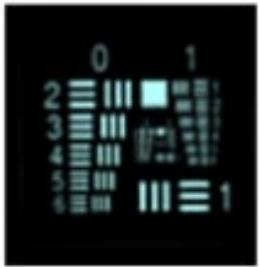
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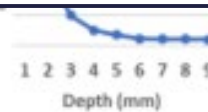
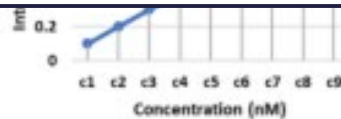
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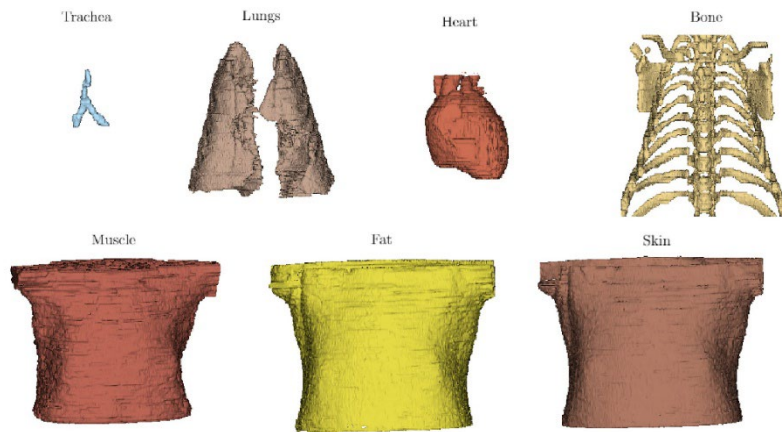
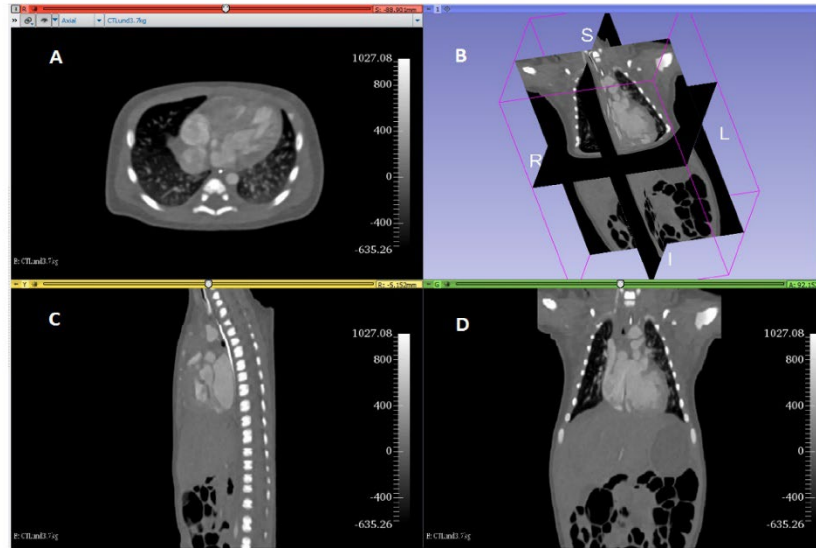
(e) Image sharpness



(f) Dep



Anthropomorphic Neonate phantoms



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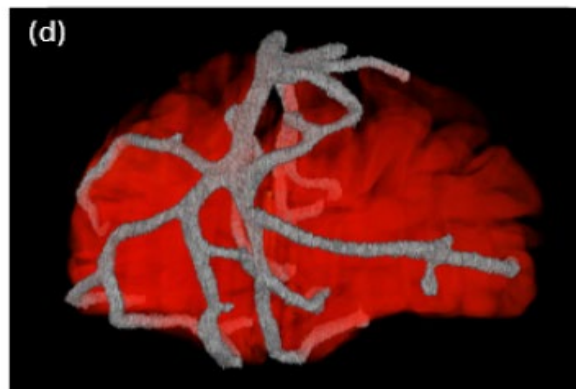
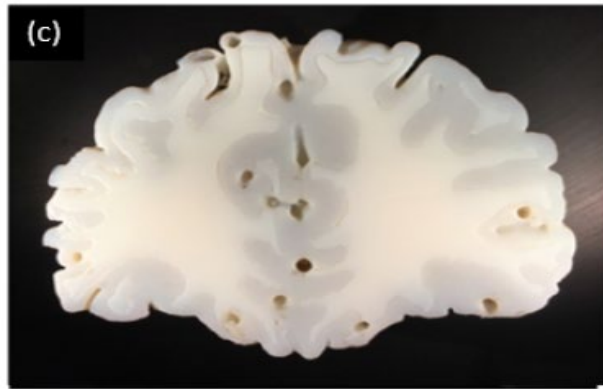
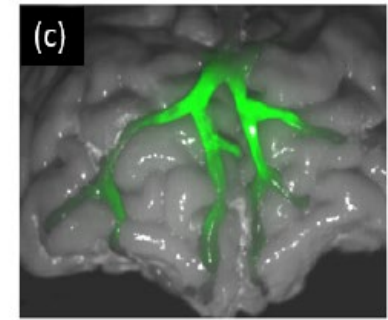
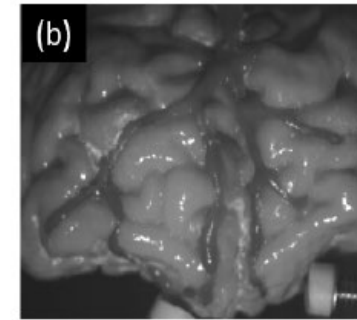
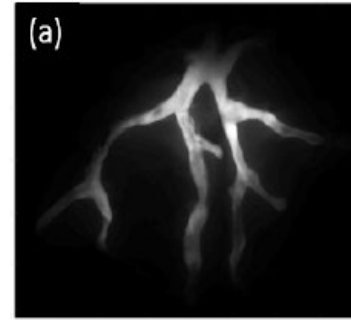
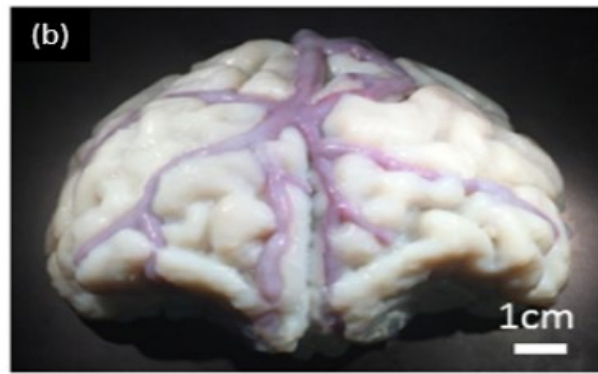
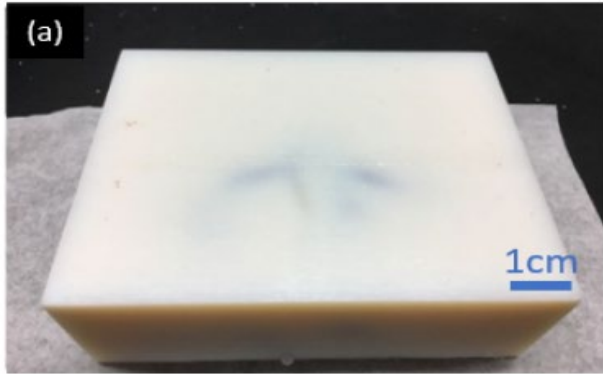


Solid phantom recipe for diffuse optics in biophotonics applications: a step towards anatomically correct 3D tissue phantoms

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3D Printed Phantoms & Targets



Liu, Y., et al. Biomed Opt Express, **9**(6): p. 2810-2824. (2018)
Wang, J.T., et al. Proc of SPIE, **9325**. (2015).


Summary

- '***chicken or cheese***' are not useful for publication...
- **Low cost \neq best - but it is both '*Art & Science*'**
- Currently **voluntary** & largely **scientifically driven**
- **Phantoms & systems** should be developed in parallel
- **Each modality develops best practice** (OCT, PA, DOT, Surgery, etc)

- **Resin/Silicone based** have been optimal for stability & repeatability
- **3D printed** gaining wide adoption

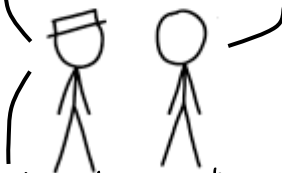
- **Intralipid or Gel/Agar based** for **biological/chemical** compatibility

MRI




This is an image of my brain!

That's so cool!



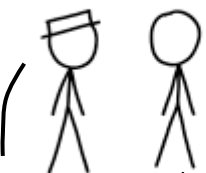
Yah, it only cost \$5 million...

X-ray



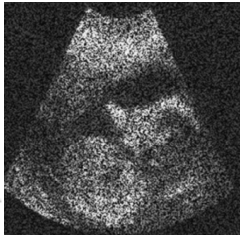
See, I did break my leg!

That's way cool!



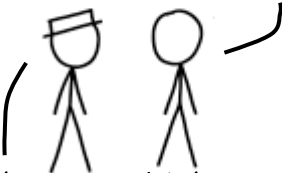
Yah now I can die of cancer...

Ultrasound



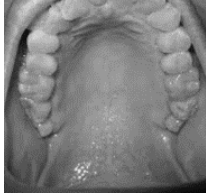
See, it's a little baby!

That's beautiful!



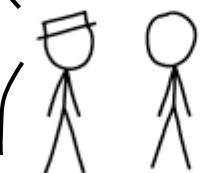
At least I think I see it...

Optical



I took a cell phone image of my mouth!

That's just gross!



I should've added Raman ?

XKCD-like