# Laser Surgery: a powerful tool in BIOLOGY

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Rauzi et al. 2007

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 1030nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	1030nm	200fs	50MHz	370mW	3ms	1,2NA water	65%	4nJ	150000
Photo-uncaging	1030nm	200fs	50MHz	40mW	continuous	1,2NA water	65%	0,8nJ	-

#### Light-matter interaction



# Light source: LASER

Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation

Spatial coherence Temporal coherence



## Laser-matter interaction depend on **4** main laser parameters

#### 1. Power





#### Photodisruption

#### Plasma and Cavitation Dynamics during Pulsed Laser Microsurgery in vivo

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E-cad GFP a b 0 s 6 s 12 s

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective	<b>Objective</b> transmission	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation a	355nm	4ns	?	?	?	1,3NA oil	?	1,22µJ?	1?
Ablation b	532nm	4ns	?	?	?	1,3NA oil	?	8.26µJ?	1?



E-cad GFP

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective	Objective transmission at 365nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	365nm	3-5ns	Catalog 15 Hz	?	Deduced 0,6s	1,4NA oil	?	60µJ?	10

DevCell 2009

Additional collateral effects: local blackening of the vitelline membrane

## UV vs IR





#### Laser Pulse repetition Rates and tissue interaction



#### The objective NA and the ablation threshold energy to perform laser ablation



# LASER ABLATION & BIOLOGY

Single actin bundle dissection



#### Retraction or Disassembly?

Kumar et al. 2006

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 790nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	790nm	100fs	90MHz	1,5W	170µs	1,4NA oil	?	16nJ	15300

Probing single bundle properties with punctual ablation





Probing single bundle properties with punctual ablation



 $\tau = ratio between viscous and elastic coefficients (Young's modulus)$  $D_a = length of the fiber immediatly destroyed upon irradiation$ 

#### Probing single bundle properties with punctual ablation



#### Probing single bundle force contribution to cell shape





#### in collaboration with M. Théry

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Ablation	1030nm	200fs	50MHz	370mW	5ms	1,2NA water	65%	4nJ	250000

F-actin

fibronectin

#### GERMBAND ELONGATION



by Thomas Lecuit

#### Cell intercalation is responsible for tissue elongation



## Bertet et al. (2004)

#### Polarized junction remodeling drives intercalation





Bertet et al. (2004)

Myo-II, a key effector of intercalation, is planar polarized





Bertet et al. (2004)

F-actin ablation and depletion of E-cadherin



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#### Maximum speed of relaxation as a proxy for tension



## Tension of 'vertical' junctions



## Tension comparison between 'vertical' and 'transverse' junctions



# a **CORTICAL** model



Local subcellular tensions at the CORTEX drive intercalation
Such forces are Myoll dependent

Rauzi et al. 2008

#### Probing membrane integrity after ablation

E-CAD::GFP

intact membrane



ablation





leakage



ablation

uncaging



#### ablation

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Measuring the ablation spot size



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#### Testing plasma formation during junction ablation



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## Laser severing: a tool to probe cell oscillation coupling





Solon et al. 2009

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process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 355nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	355nm	470ps	1KHz	?	?	1,2NA water	?	100-200nJ?	5

#### testing Cortical Tension Anisotropies producing Cortical Flows with laser dissection





#### Mayer et al. 2010

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 337nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	337nm	?	500Hz	?	5sec for 6μm	?	?	?	50

Laser surgery: a tool to rule out force contributions in epithelial spreading in Zebrafish gastrulation







#### Behrndt et al. 2012

process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 355nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	355nm	350ps	1KHz	0,75mW?	1,2s for 20µm	1,2NA water	?	Deduced 750nJ?	25

## Dissection of the acto-myosin meshwork during *Drosophila* embryo gastrulation





process	wavelength	pulse duration	Pulse repetition rate	Average power at the back aperture	Exposure time	Objective NA and immersion	Objective transmission at 1030nm	Pulse energy after the objective	Number of pulses
Ablation	1030nm	200fs	50MHz	180mW	9sec for 100µm	1,2NA water	65%	2nJ	500M

#### IR laser CARBONIZATION in the Drosophila embryo





Biological effect



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Ablation	1030nm	200fs	50MHz	180mW	25sec for 280μm	1,2NA water	65%	2nJ	500M

## IR laser CARBONIZATION in the Drosophila embryo





## Laser dissection:

A tool highly **spatial and temporal specific** that can be applied at **different scales** 



actin fiber

*in toto Drosophila* embryo

#### Interesting books





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