### HYDRODYNAMIC FOCUSING INSIDE RECTANGULAR CHANNELS

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#### Schematic view of hydrodynamic focusing.

Index C refers to central inlet, A and B respectively to side streams. Focused stream width is marked  $\delta_s$ .





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#### Cytometry, flow adressing in Lab-On-a-Chip systems





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#### **Micromixing**



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#### Reactors



Kenis P.J., Science, 1999

#### **Microfabrication**

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**Two-phase systems generation** 





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Kam at al. Langmuir 2003

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#### **3D CLSM projection of hydrodynamic focussing**

Increasing accuracy

**Compilcated three-dimensional phenomenon** 

AIM: full description of 3D aspect

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# **Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy**

- Carl Zeiss Axiovert 100 M +LSM 510 Meta
- Plan-Neofluar 20x/0.51, 10x/0.3
- C-Apochromat 10x/0,45
- Laser HeNe 543 nm Argon 488 nm from LASOS lasertechnik
- Alexa Fluor 546, FTIC
- Carl Zeiss LSM software
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# **PIV Particle Image Velocimetry**



- Olympus BX51
- Plan-Neofluar 20x/0.51, 10x/0.3
- Laser Nd-YAG 543 nm (MiniLite PIV from Continuum)
- Kodak MEGAPLUS ES1.0/10bit CCD
- 1 µm 540/560 polystyrene beads from Molecular Probes Inc.

 $C(s) = \iint_{A} l_1(x) \cdot l_2(x-s) dx \quad \begin{array}{c} Cross-\\ correlation \end{array}$ Peak detection
Subpixel interpolation
Vector output

The correlation of the two interrogation areas,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$ , results in the particle displacement  $\Delta X$ , represented by a signal peak in the correlation  $C(\Delta X)$ .



#### **DANTEC** materials

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#### ANSYS CFX10 software

- Unstructured tetragonal mesh 265k-460k nodes (1499k–2624k elements)
- Boundary conditions: inlet mass flowrates outlet pressure Newtonian fluid, noncompressible fow with no-slip condition
- Coupled algebraic multigrid method
- Bounded second oder upwind scheme
- Pentium 4 (3,2 -3,6 GHz), 2 GB RAM, Linux/Windows XP

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Laboratory setup (Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy)

- milled, thermally bonded PMMA microchannels
- Silicon/elastomer/glass microchannels
- Cross-sections 260x200 μm 800x1040 μm

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Non symmetrical aspect of hydrodynamic focussing Comparison against CFD\* (top) Side stream ratio (QA/QB):

a) 1; b) 1,73; c) 2; d) 3; e) 7,57

\*Solli L., Mielnik M.M., Saetran L.R., Proc. of 2nd International Conf. 16 On Transport Phenomena in Micro and Nanodevices, Barga, Italy



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## **Responsible mechanisms**:

- Forehead collision of two laminar profiles
- Diffusion, surface tension (wetting angle)
  - Secondary flow pattern
  - Boundary layer separation
  - Moffatt vortices





CLSM cross-section of outlet channel Mean flow velocity v= 0.023 cm/s (a), v=0.9cm/s (b).

## **Summary:**

- Two kinds of focused stream deformations
- Basic relations between parameters
- Mechanisms explained

Aplication: flow visualisation (SeSPIV)\*



#### Influence of flow pattern on Selective Seeding PIV (SeSPIV)

1,0 0,9 0,8 0,7 0,6 .\_\_\_\_\_0,5 ™ 0,4 0,3 0,2 0,1 0,0 0,0 0.5 1,0 1,5 2,0 2.5 v [cm/s]

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Flowfield visusalisation problem in SeS PIV

SeS PIV limit of applicability

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