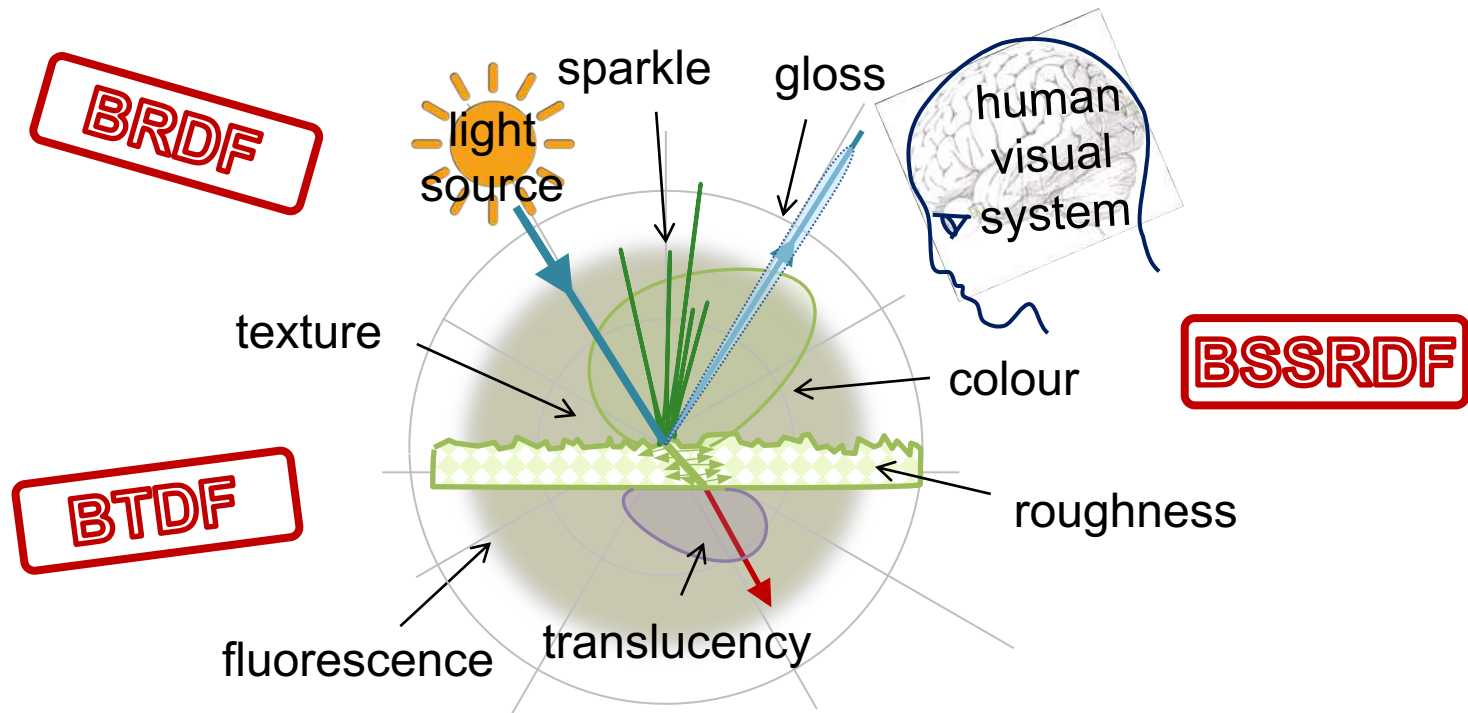


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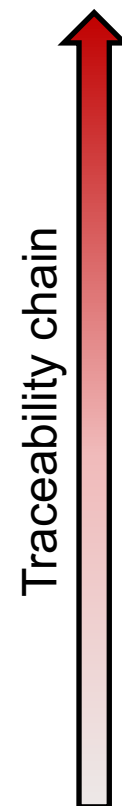
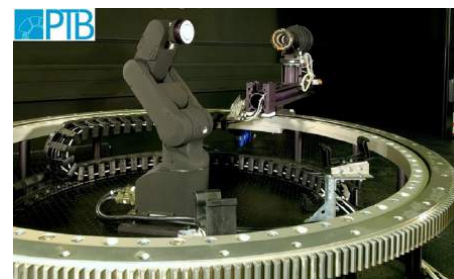
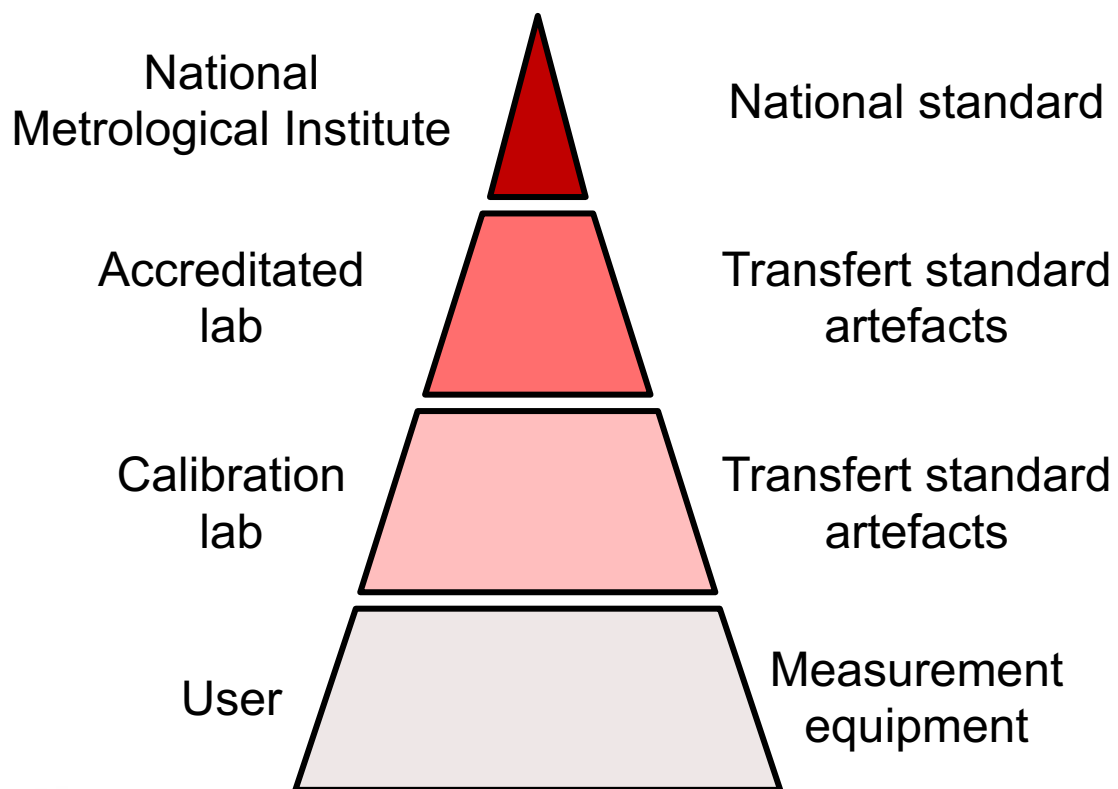
Review of latest developments at  
Europeans National Metrological Institutes (NMIs)



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## National Metrological Institutes :

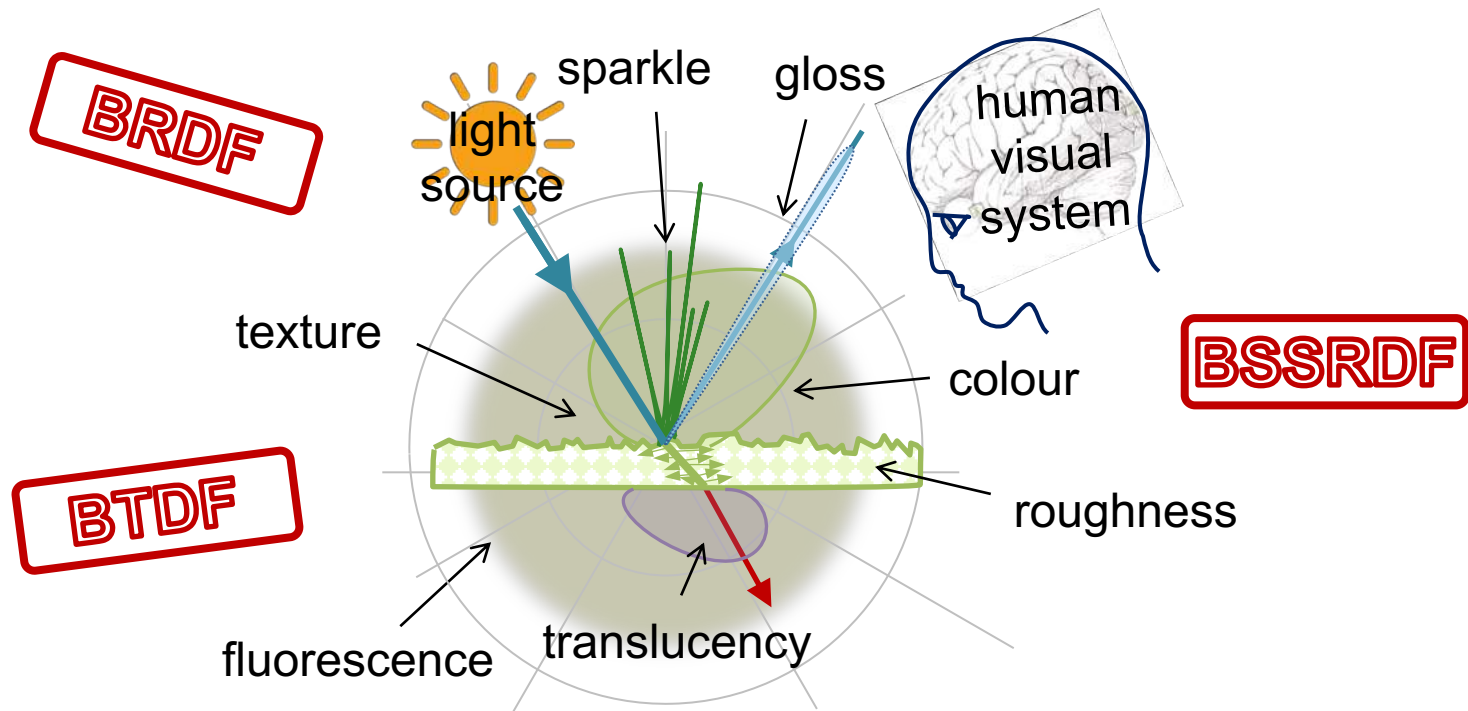
- Realize and maintain at the highest level of accuracy of the primary quantities for a given country (meter, second, reflectance)
- Establish procedures and measurement protocols to ensure the transfer and the dissemination of these quantities through the traceability chain,
- Develop new quantities when requested by industrial needs





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# Traceability & references for **the measurement of appearance**

## Definition of the measurand

Appearance is the visual sensation through which an object is perceived to have attributes such as size, shape, colour, texture, gloss, transparency, opacity, etc.

[CIE 175:2006](#)

Colour



Texture



Gloss



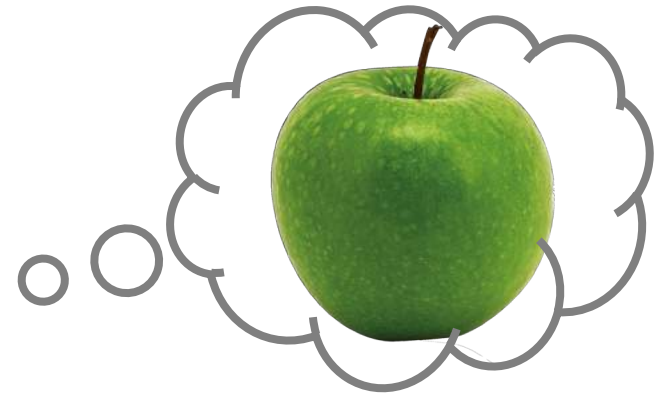
Translucency



# Traceability & references for **the measurement of appearance**



Physical Stimulus



Appearance

Appearance is a visual quantity

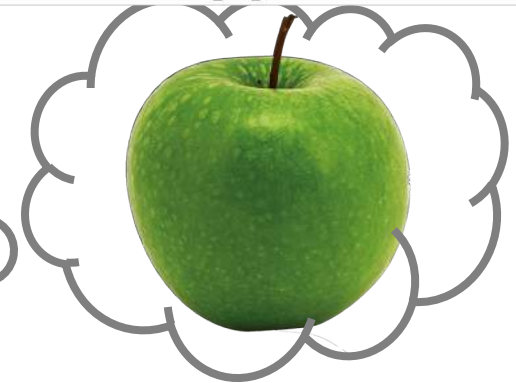
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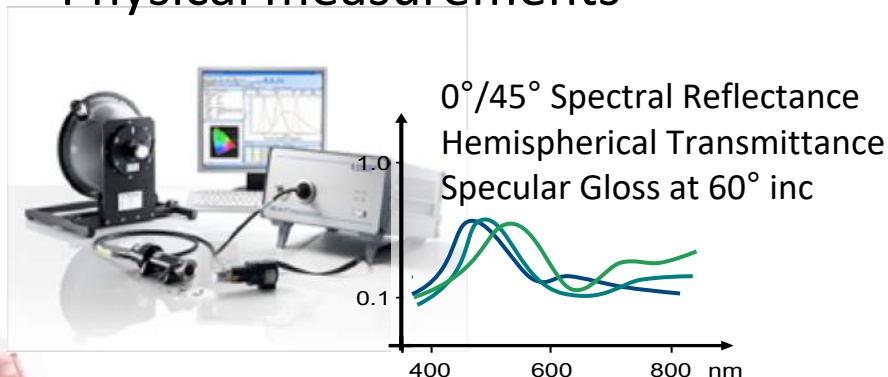
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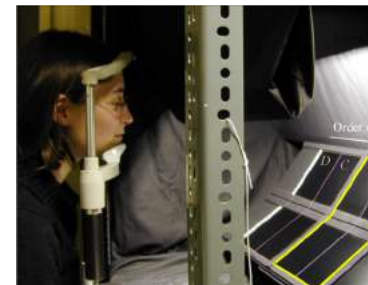
Appearance



## Physical measurements



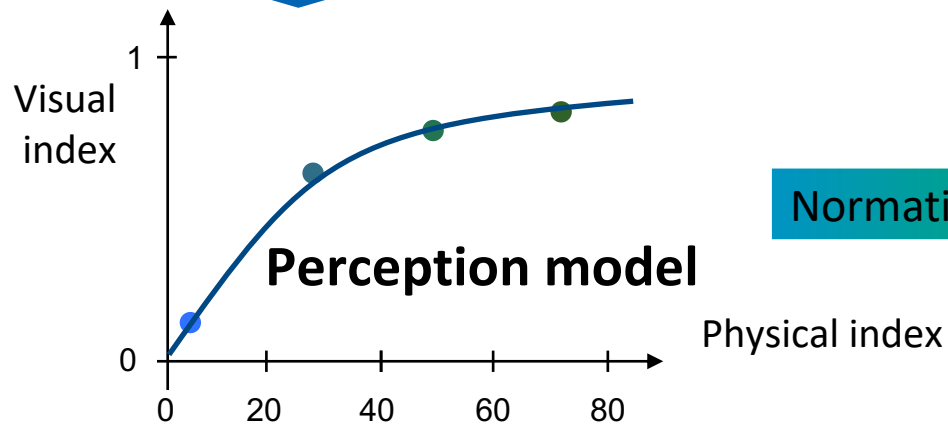
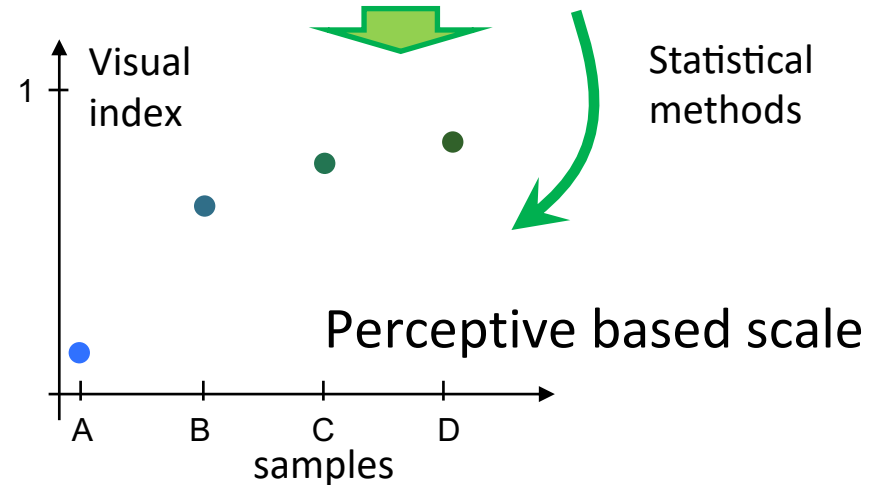
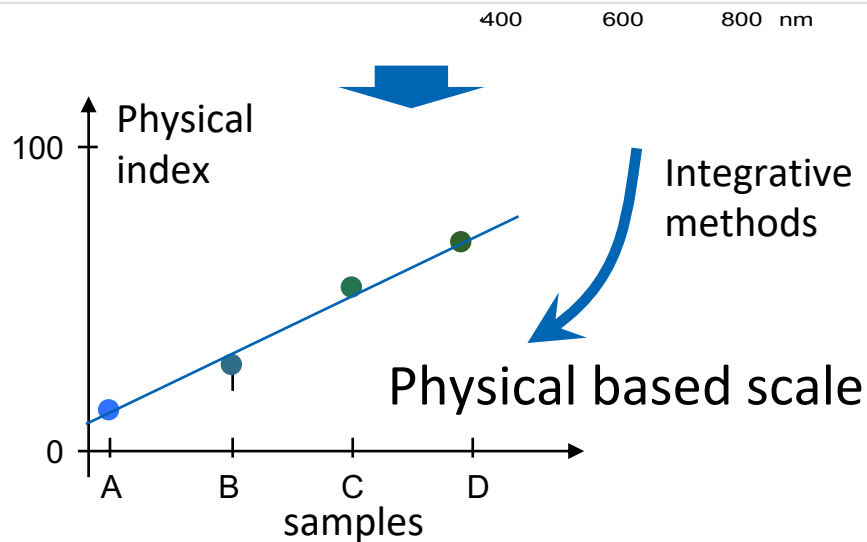
## Psychophysical measurements



Hue ranking  
Gloss perceptive scale  
Lightness difference



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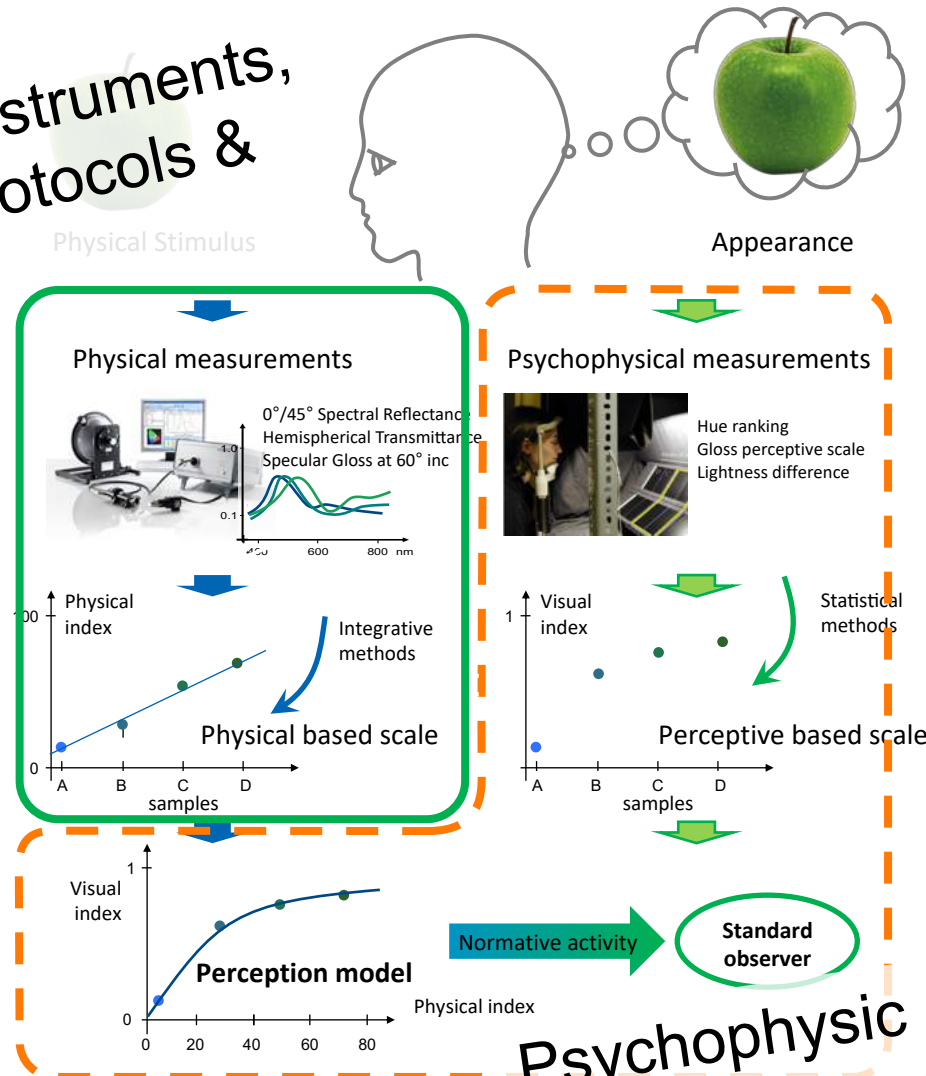


Normative activity

Standard  
observer

# Traceability & references for the measurement of appearance

Development of instruments,  
measurements protocols &  
transfer artefacts

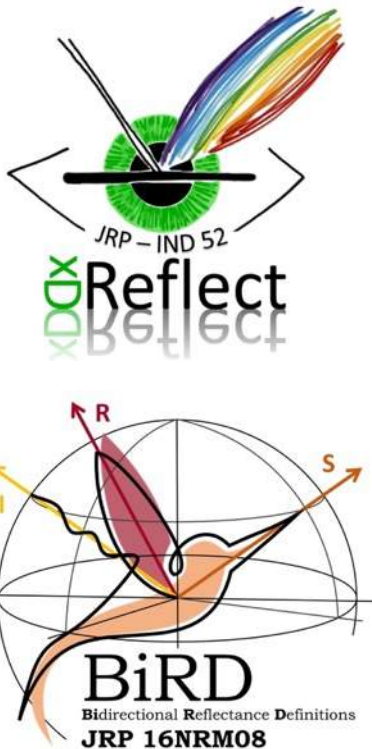


Psychophysic & measurement  
scales (with uncertainty)

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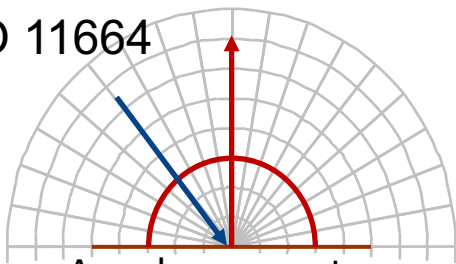
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# Context in 1965



Standard  
measurement geometries

ISO 11664

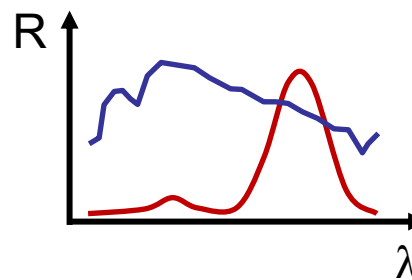


Angular geometry  
(0/45° or 0/diff)

Portable  
spectrophotometer



Spectral reflectance



Calibration tiles





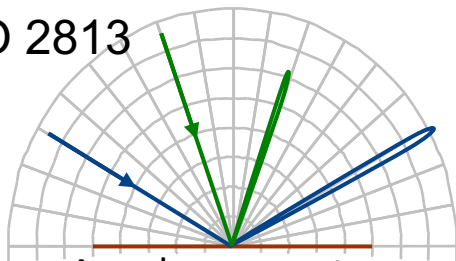
# Context in 1965



Standard

measurement geometries

ISO 2813



Angular geometry  
(60°, 20° & 85°)

Glossmeter



Gloss value

$$G_{60^\circ} = 98 \text{ gu}$$

Calibration tiles



# Context in 2015



## Goniochromatism

# Context in 2015



## Sparkle and graininess





# Context in 2015



## Gloss and anisotropy





# Context in 2015



## Translucidity in reflection and transmission



# Context in 2015

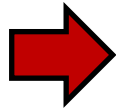


## Physically based virtual prototyping

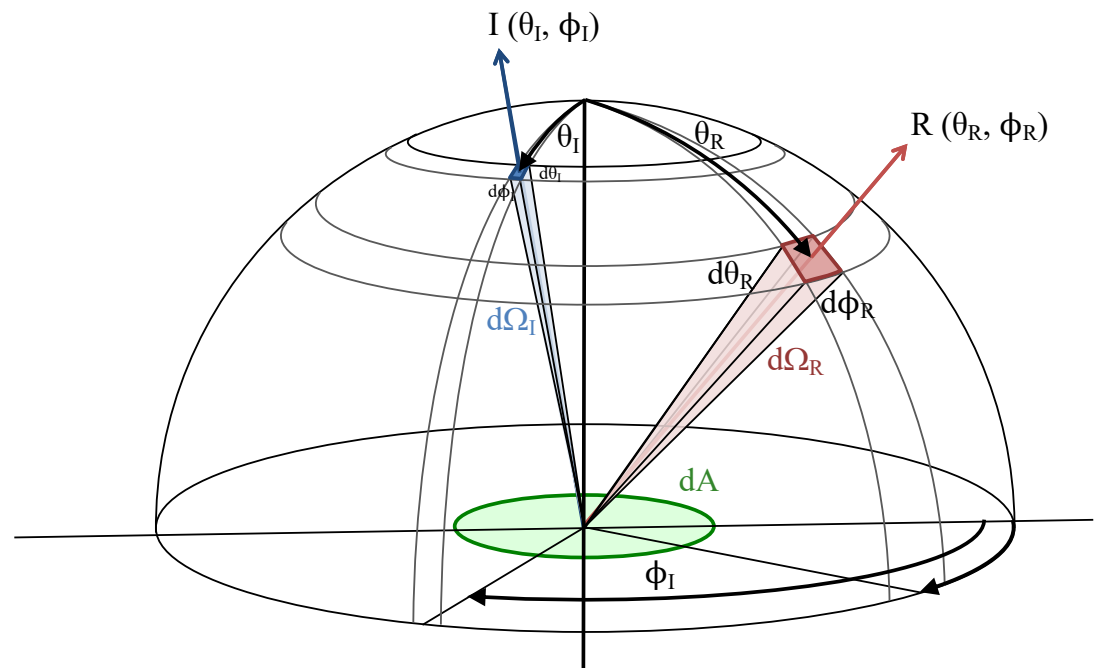


# Quantity

0°/45°  
0°/Diff



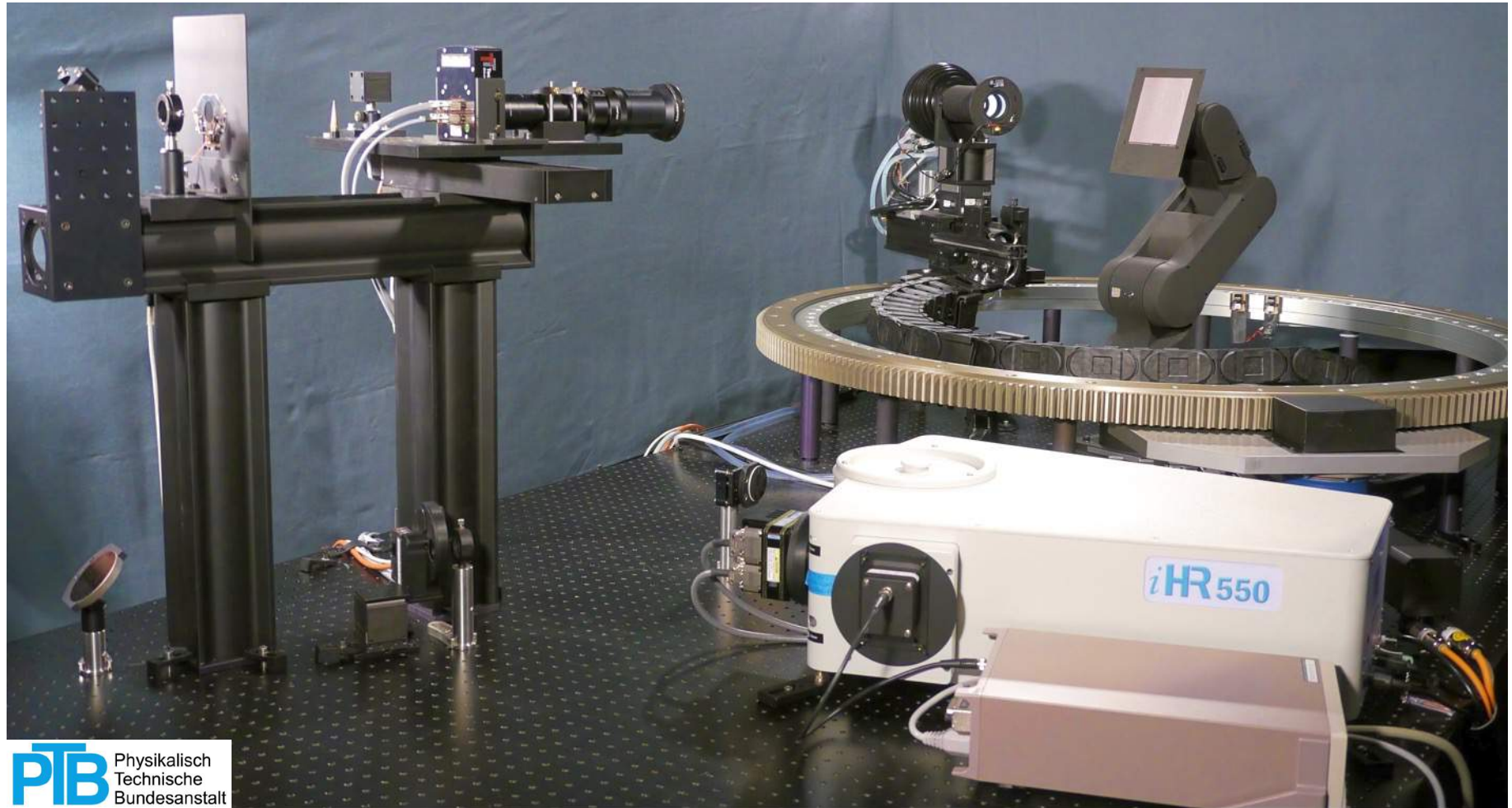
BRDF  
Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution



$$f(\theta_I, \phi_I, \theta_R, \phi_R, \Omega_R, \lambda, \sigma) = \frac{dL(\theta_I, \phi_I, \theta_R, \phi_R, \Omega_R, \lambda, \sigma)}{dE(\theta_I, \phi_I, \lambda, \sigma)}$$



# Goniospectrophotometer





(as we are talking about it... 😊)

~~Goniometer~~

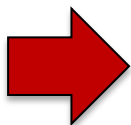
~~Gonioreflectometer~~

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**Goniospectrophotometer**

~~Gonioradiometer~~

~~Goniospectroradiometer~~

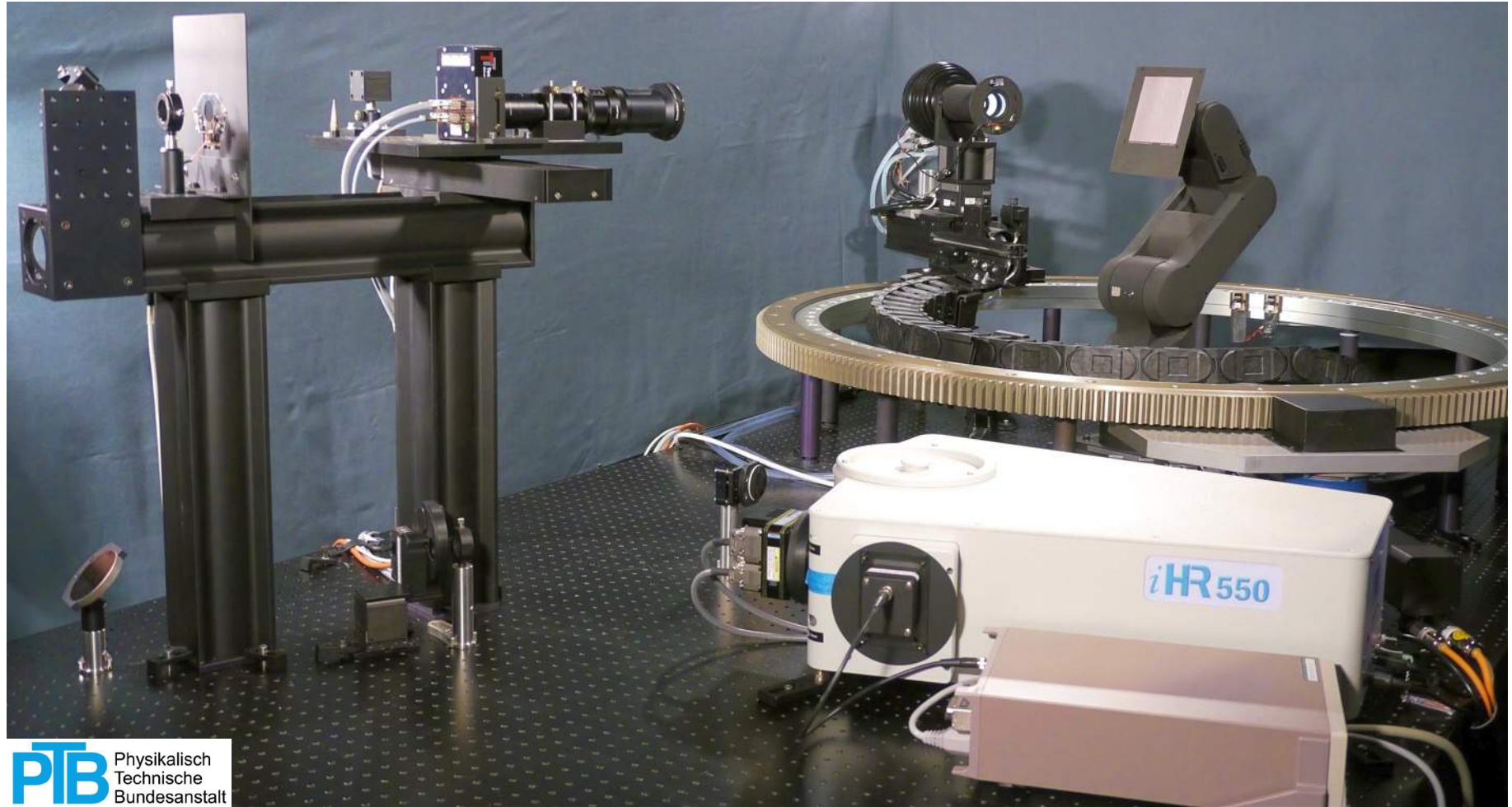


Decision taken by **CIE TC2-85** (Sept 2016 – Prague)

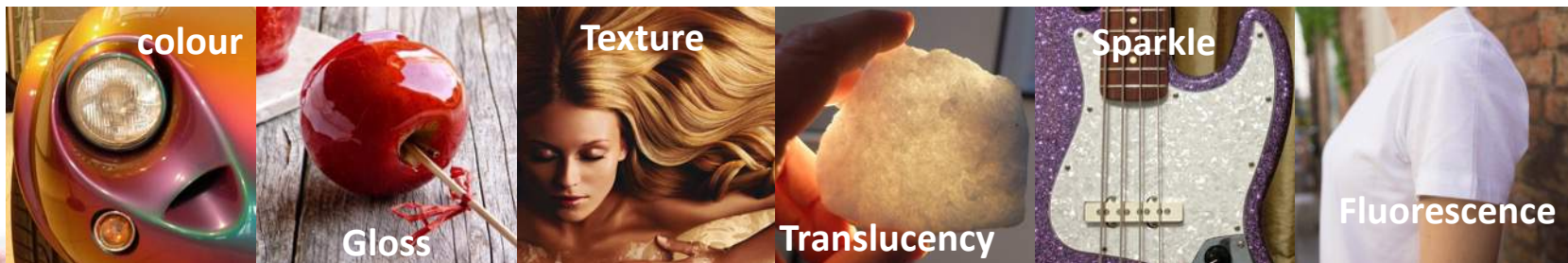
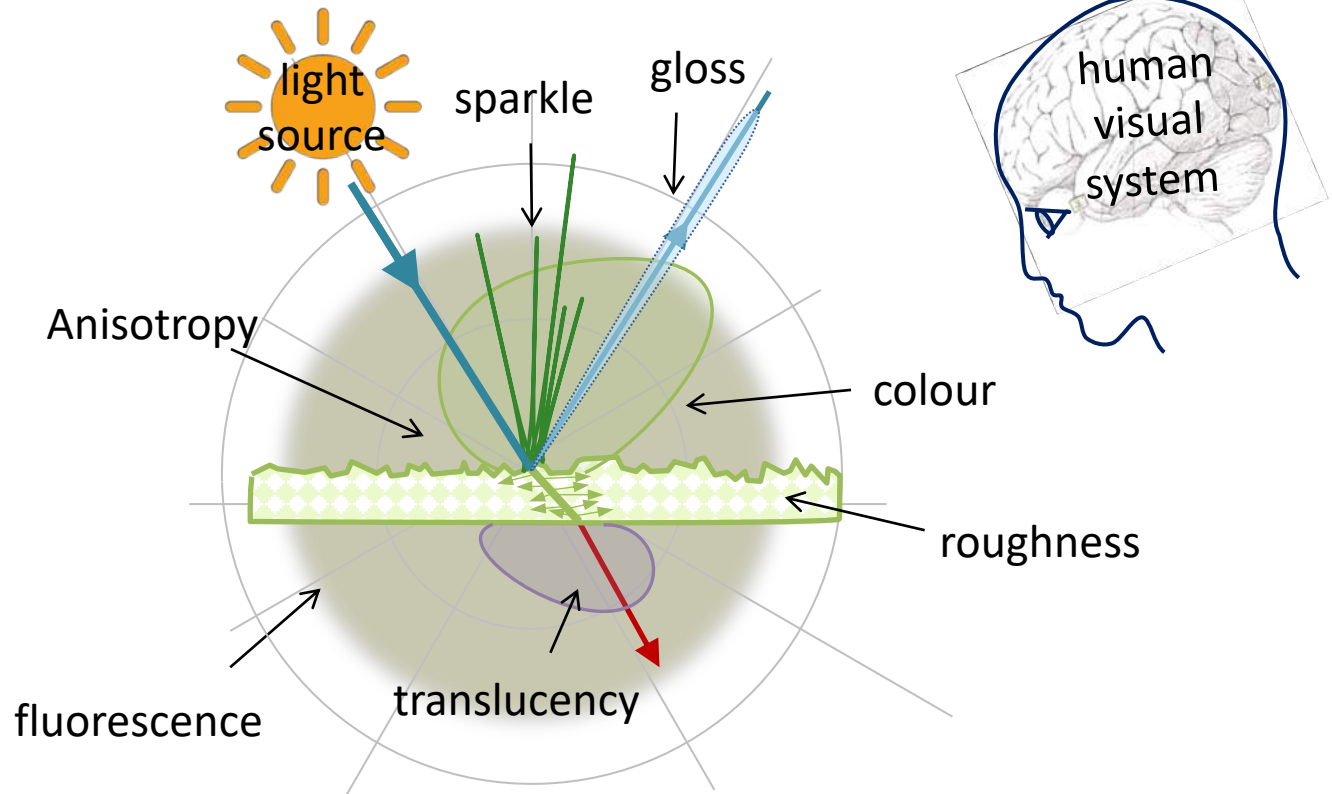
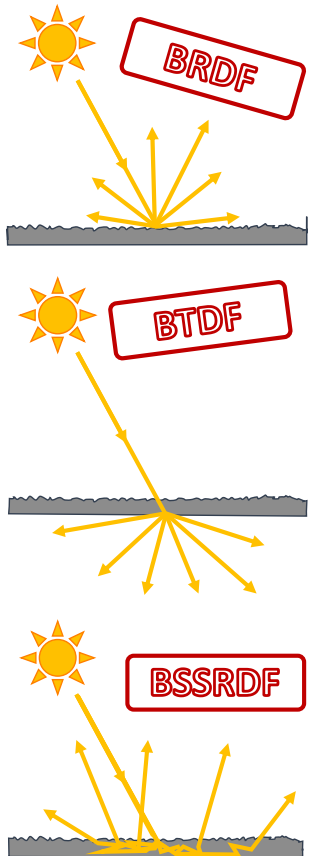
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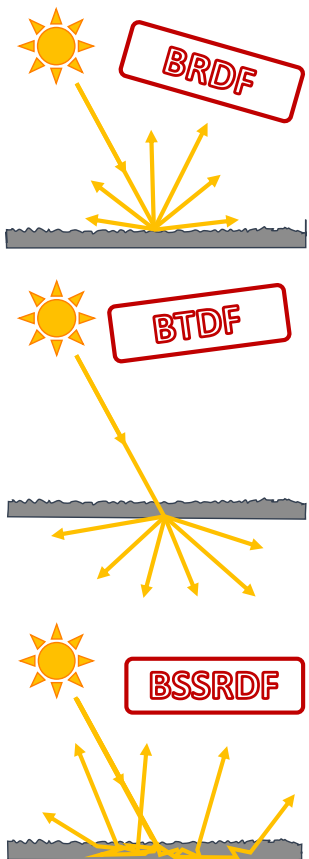
# Goniospectrophotometer



# BRDF – BTDF - BSSRDF







# BRDF – BTDF - BSSRDF

All these measurements can't be performed at the highest level with a single equipment



Coordinated effort at the European metrological level



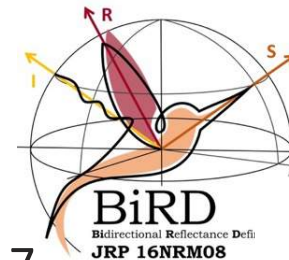
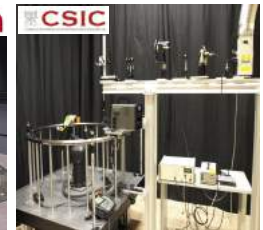
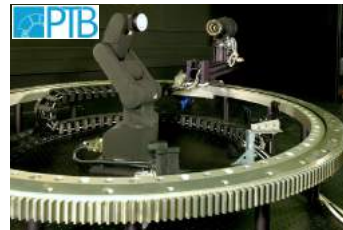
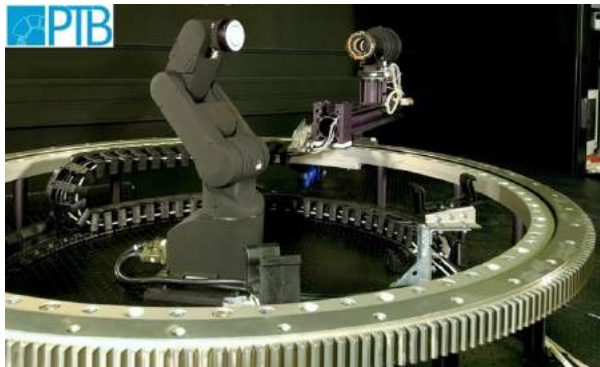


# Ongoing coordinated action at EU level

PTB



CMI (CZ), CNAM (FR), CSIC (ES), INRIM (IT), Aalto (FI), MSL (NZ), PTB x2 (GE), METAS (CH), CMI (CZ)



BxDiff

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2013

2016

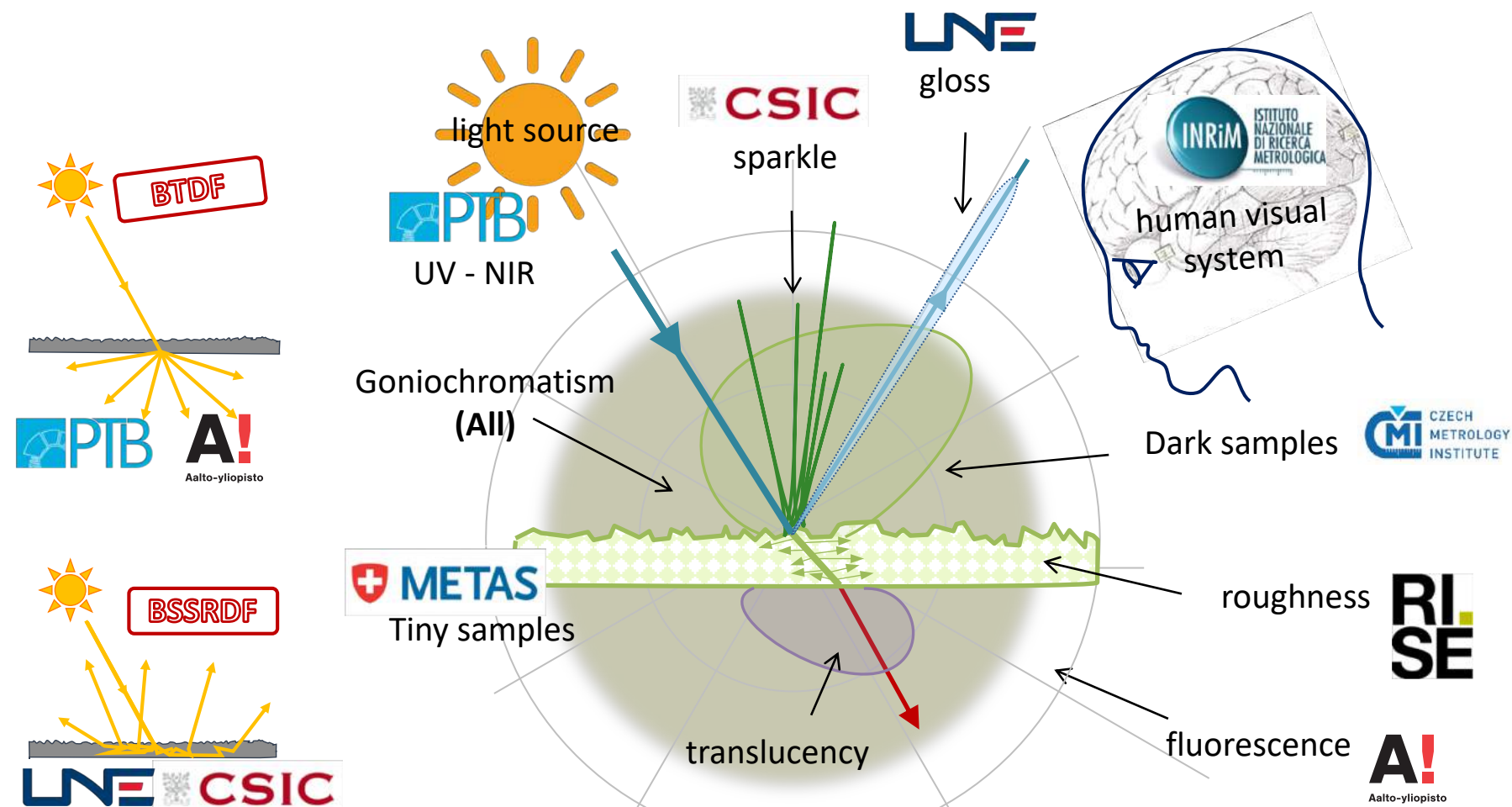
2017

2020

2019

2022

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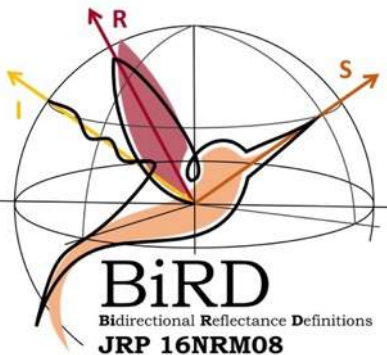


Young and complémentaire primary facilities

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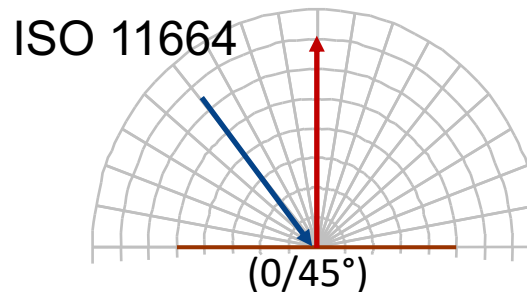


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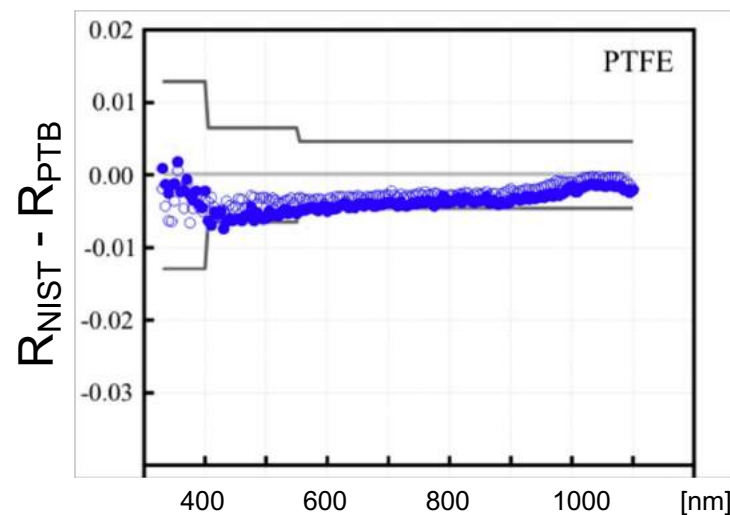
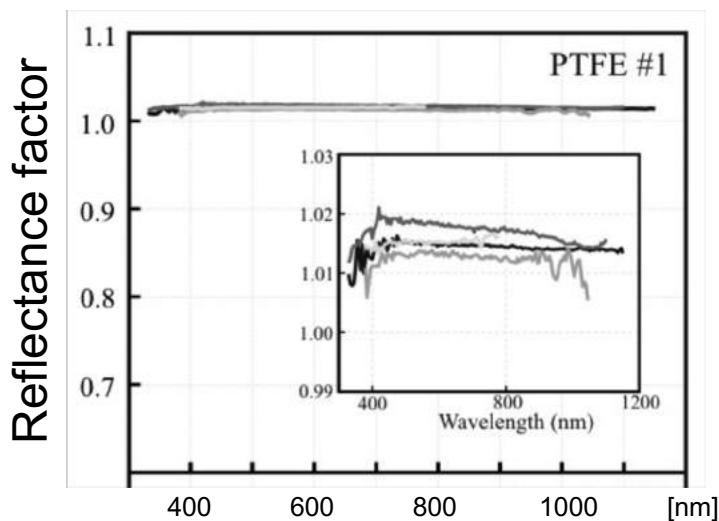


# Control of primary Reflectance scales

## Comparison between NIST and PTB



Agreement :  
**0.5%**



C. C. Cooksey, M. E. Nadal, D. W. Allen, K. O. Hauer, and A. Höpe, "Bidirectional reflectance scale comparison between NIST and PTB," Appl. Opt. **54**, 4006–4015 (2015).

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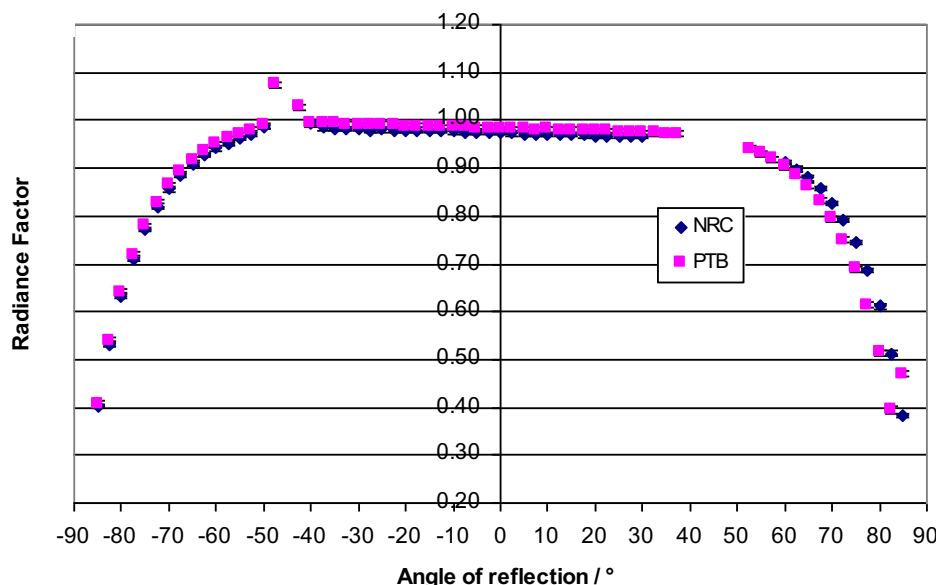
## Comparison between PTB and NRC



Opal glass  
 $\lambda = 550 \text{ nm}$

Agreement :

**0.9% for  $\theta_R < 60^\circ$**



R. Baribeau, W. Neil, K-O Hauer and A Höpe, "Comparison of the bidirectional diffuse reflection scales of PTB and NRC in the V( $\lambda$ )-range", *NewRad proceedings* (2011)

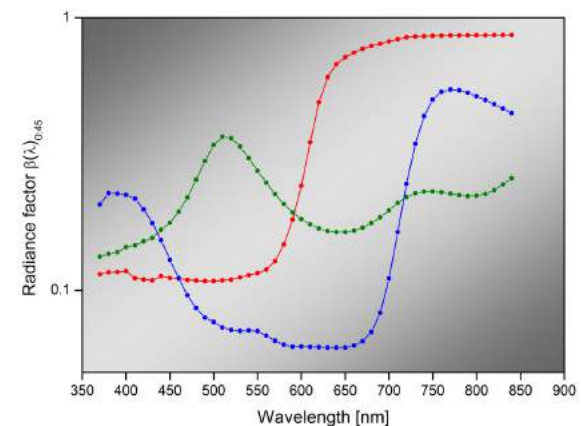
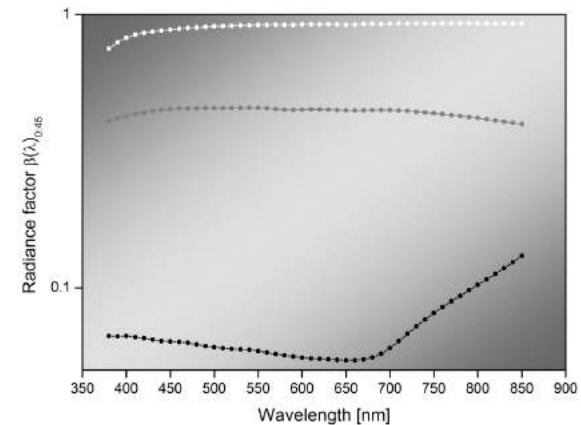
# Control of primary BRDF scales

## Comparison of reflectance factor between 7 NMIs

6 isotropic samples : 88 % white, 40 % grey and 5 % dark grey, red, green and blue



Configuration : 0° / 45°,  
 spectral range : 380 nm → 850 nm



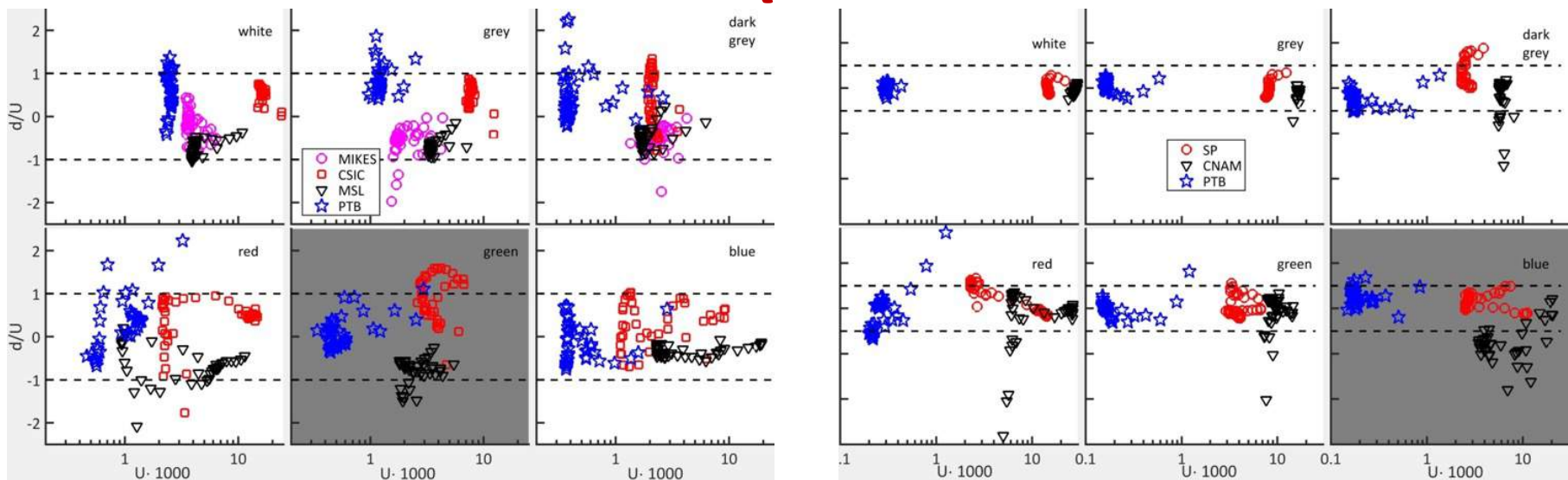


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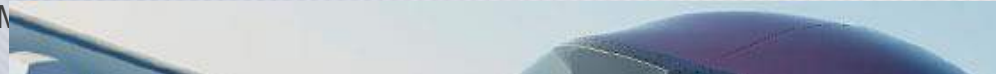
6 isotropic samples : 88 % white, 40 % grey and 5 % dark grey, red, green and blue

Agreement : **2% (worst for  $\lambda < 420$  nm)**



C. Strothkämper, A Ferrero, A Koo, P. Jansson, G. Ged, G Obein, S Källberg, J. Audenaert, F Leloup, F Martinez Verdu, E Perales, A Schirmacher, J Campos, A "Multilateral Spectral Radiance Factor Scale Comparison", Applied Optics, **56**(7), p1996-2006, 2016

# Goniochromatism



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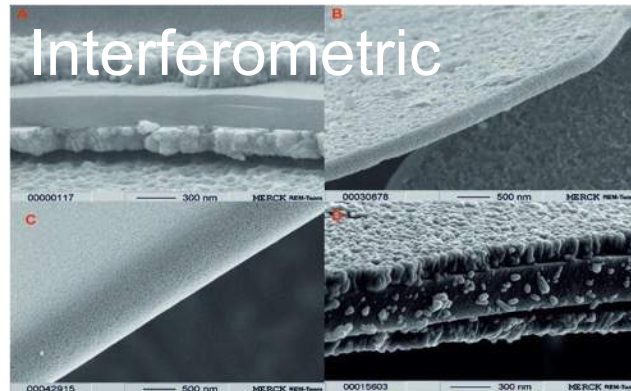
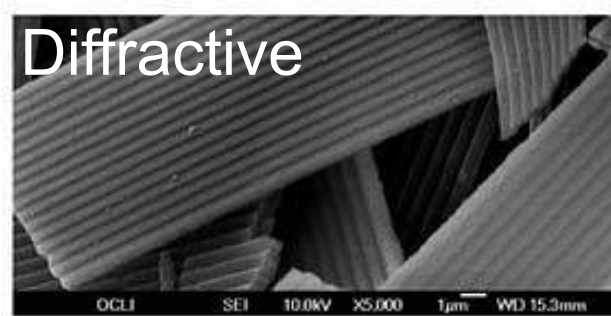
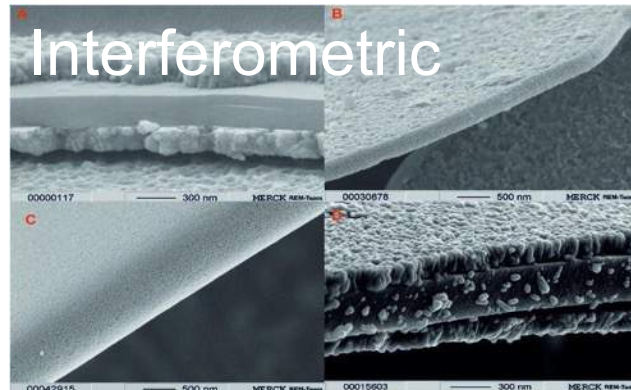


Figure 6 / SEM micrograph of diffractive pigment

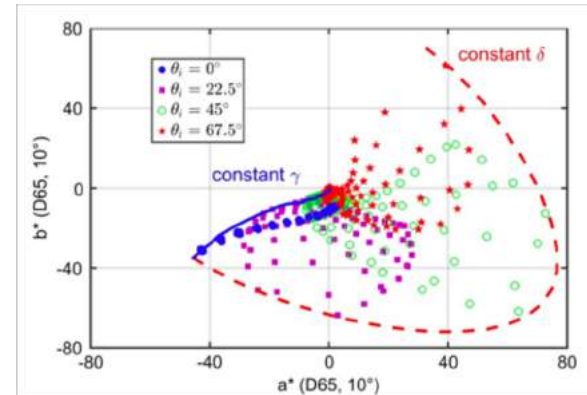




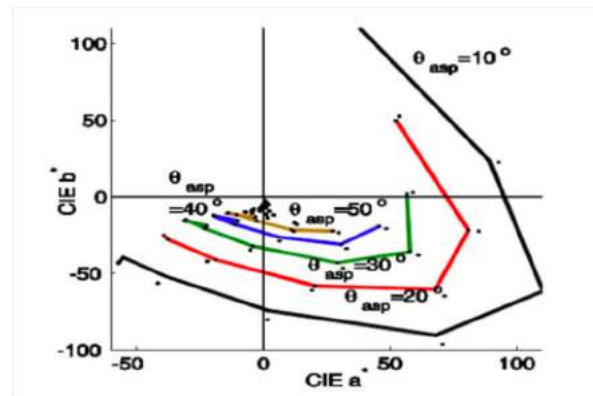
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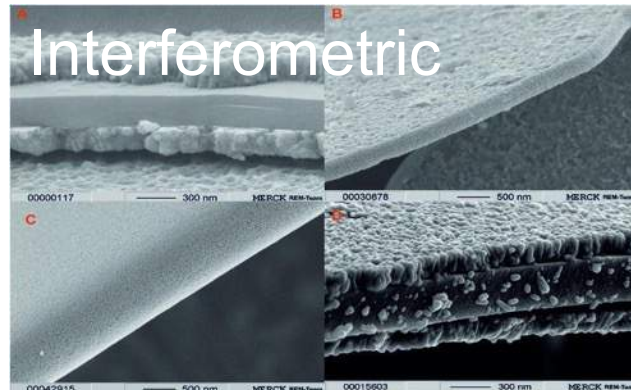
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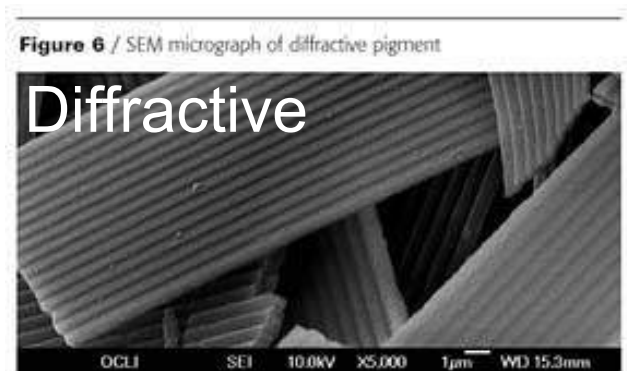
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Colour travel can be well predicted with only 10 angular geometries.  
 Geometries of ASTM E 2539 are okay (even if not optimals)

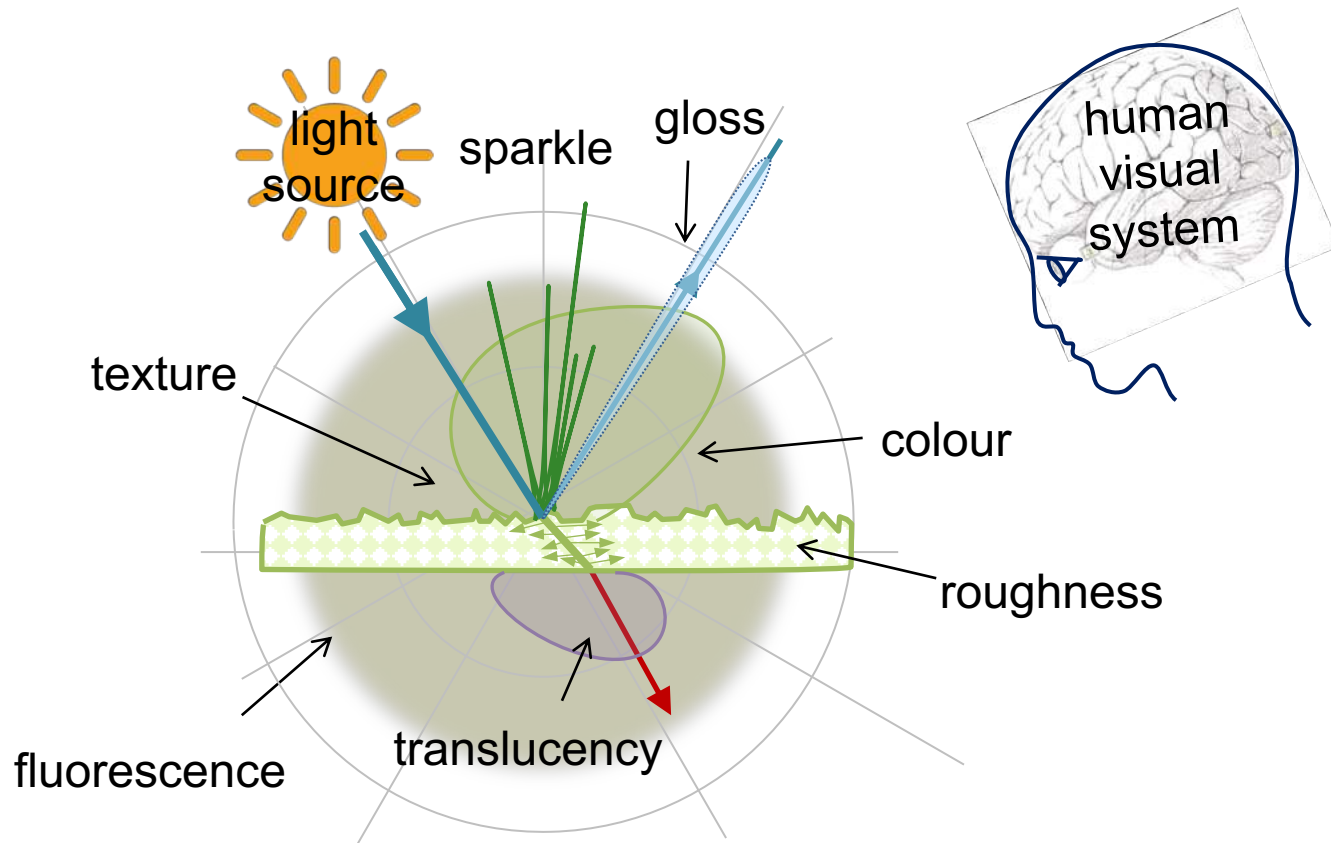
Colour travel can be predicted with a limited number of measurements but it depends upon the number of diffraction orders. ASTM E2539 not sufficient

# Gloss





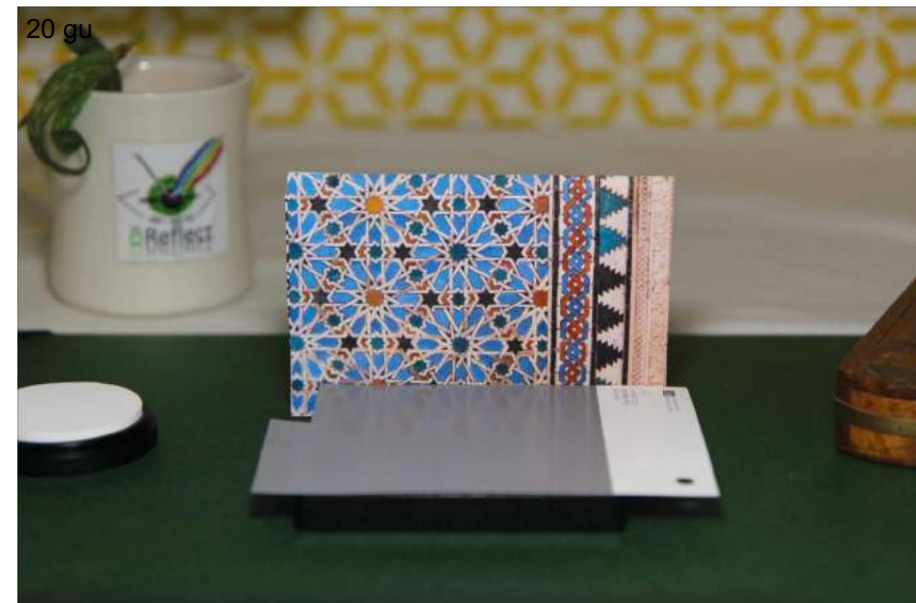
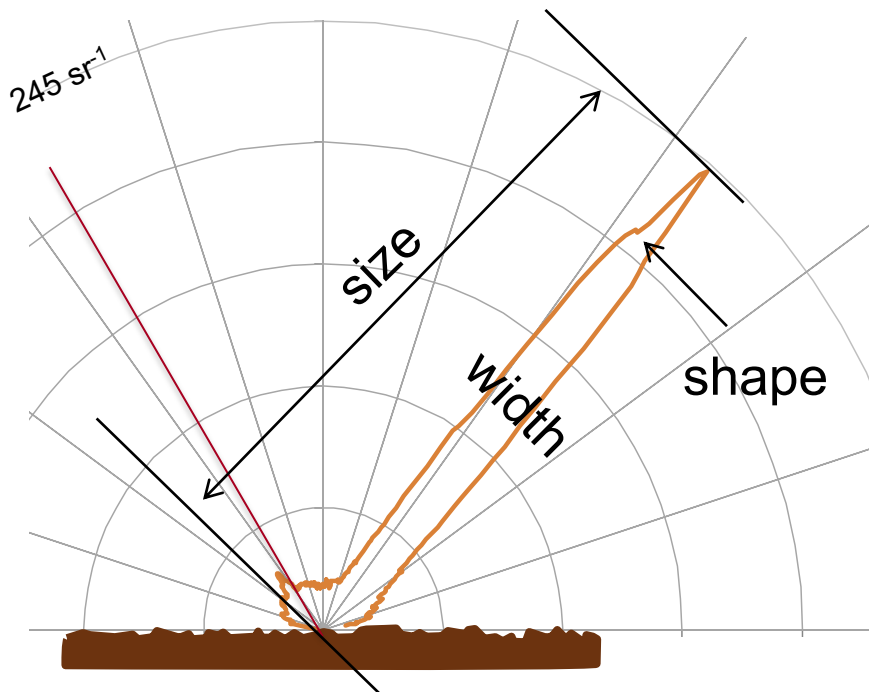
# Gloss



Information on gloss is located in a particular area of the BRDF called the **specular peak**

# Visual evaluation of gloss

When an observer evaluates the gloss, he tries to access the size, the width and the shape of the specular peak



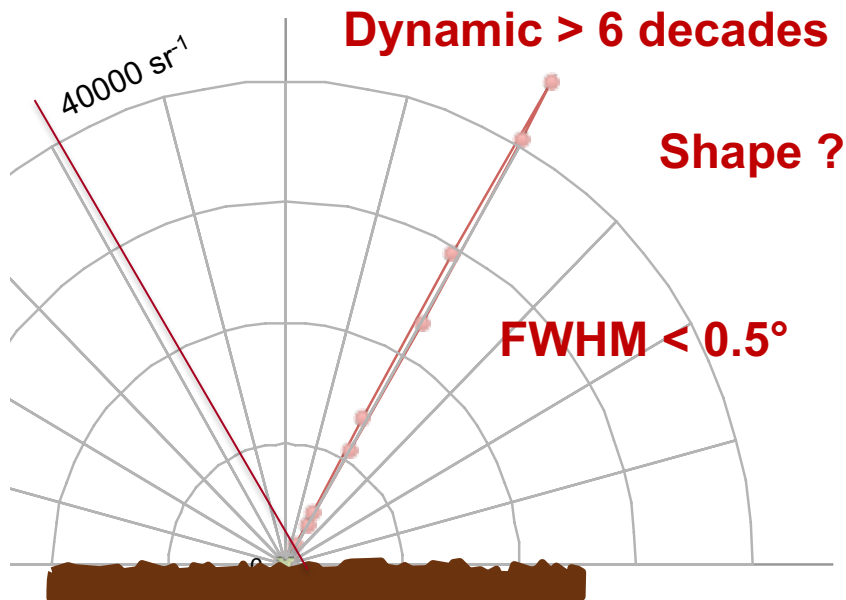
Grey samples from NCS<sup>®</sup> gloss scale, plane of incidence,  $\theta_i = 40^\circ$

# Measurement of gloss

To access surface gloss, one needs to measure the height, width and shape of the specular.

**but**

high gloss surface shows narrow specular peak with huge dynamic



Black samples from 3C<sup>®</sup> gloss scale, plane of incidence,  $\theta_i = 30^\circ$



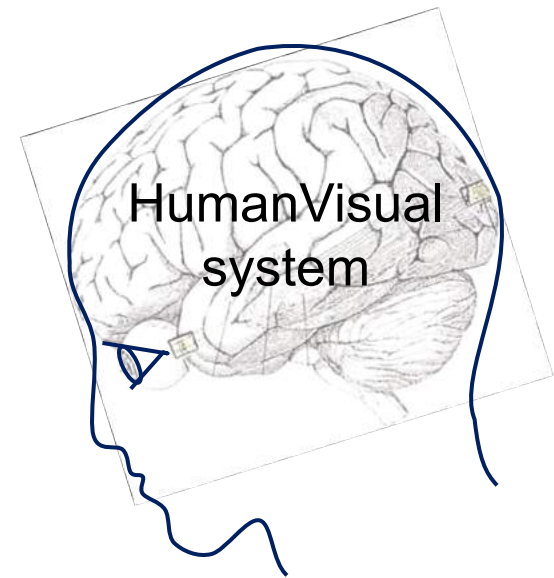
# Development of a dedicated instrument (ConDOR)

A facility that measures the BRDF with an angular resolution better than the human visual system, in order to study the specular peak of glossy surfaces

A resolution of  $0,03^\circ$



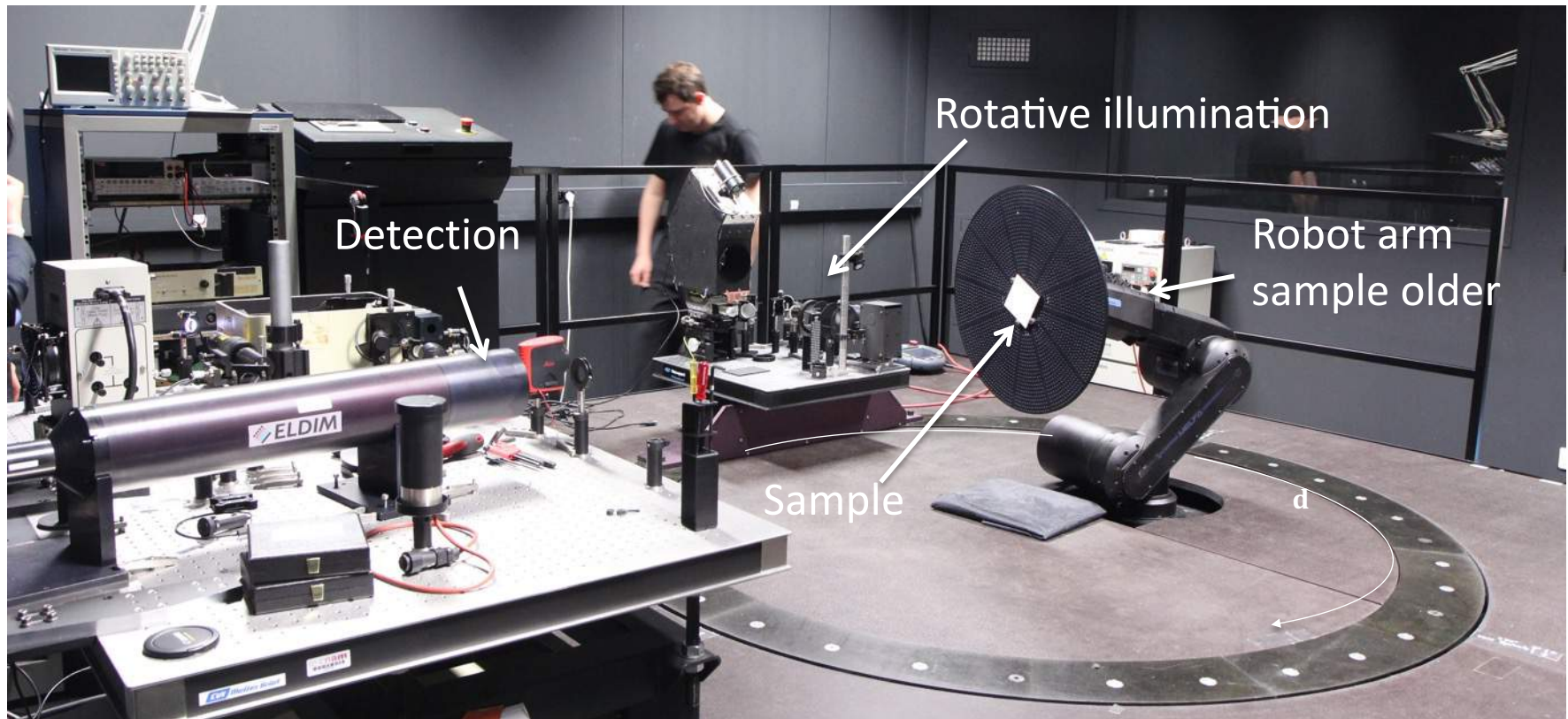
- It means light must be collected through an aperture of  $\varnothing = 0.5\text{mm}$  at a distance of 1 m from the sample
- It's about **40 000** points of measurement an angular sector of  $\pm 1,5^\circ$  large



**Visual system has  
a resolution of  $0,03^\circ$**



# ConDOR



Spectral resolution  
Angular resolution  
Illumination area

- $\Delta\lambda = V(\lambda)$
- $\Delta\Omega < 0.2 \text{ msr}$
- $\varnothing = 10 \text{ mm}$

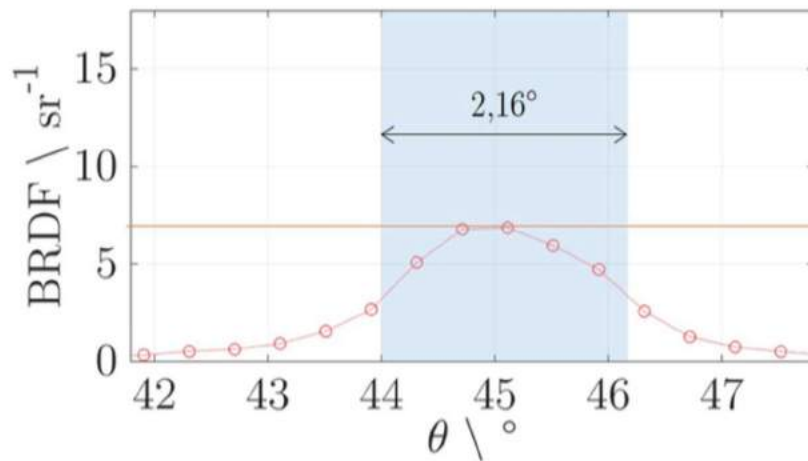
# Exemple of results



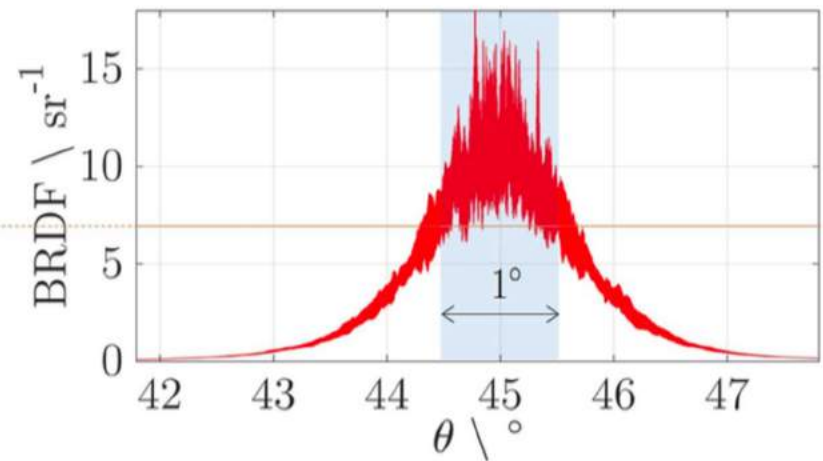
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Black samples from 3C<sup>®</sup> gloss scale (75 gu)

Cut plane of incidence  
 $\theta_i = 45^\circ$ ,  $42 < \theta_R < 48^\circ$



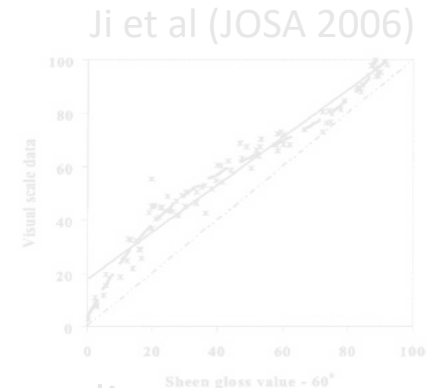
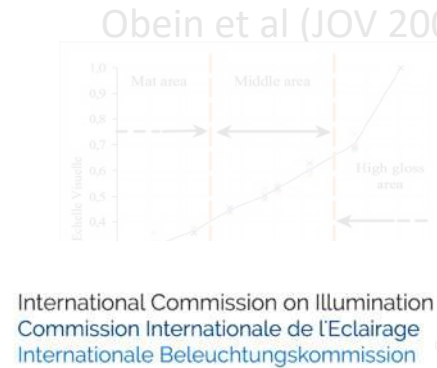
EZ-Contrast<sup>®</sup> , res = 0,4<sup>°</sup>



ConDOR, res = 0,015<sup>°</sup>



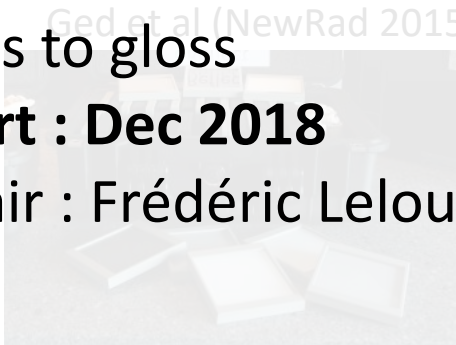
# Toward a new route for the measurement of gloss ?



JTC 17 (D1/D2/D8): Gloss measurement and gloss perception:  
A framework for the definition and standardization of visual  
cues to gloss

**Start : Dec 2018**

Chair : Frédéric Leloup, KU Leuven (BE)



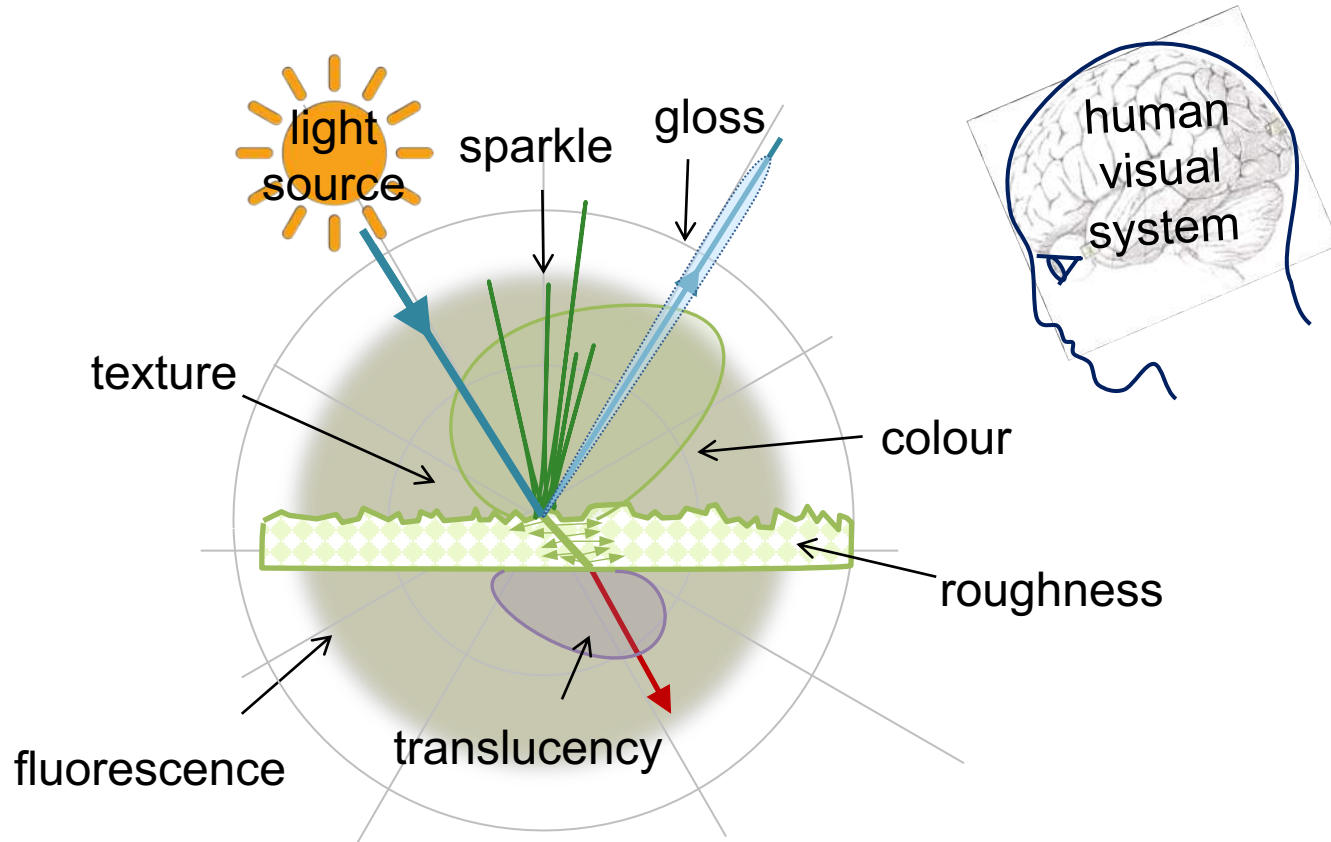
New generation of gloss scales

New psychophysical studies ?

# Sparkle



# Sparkle

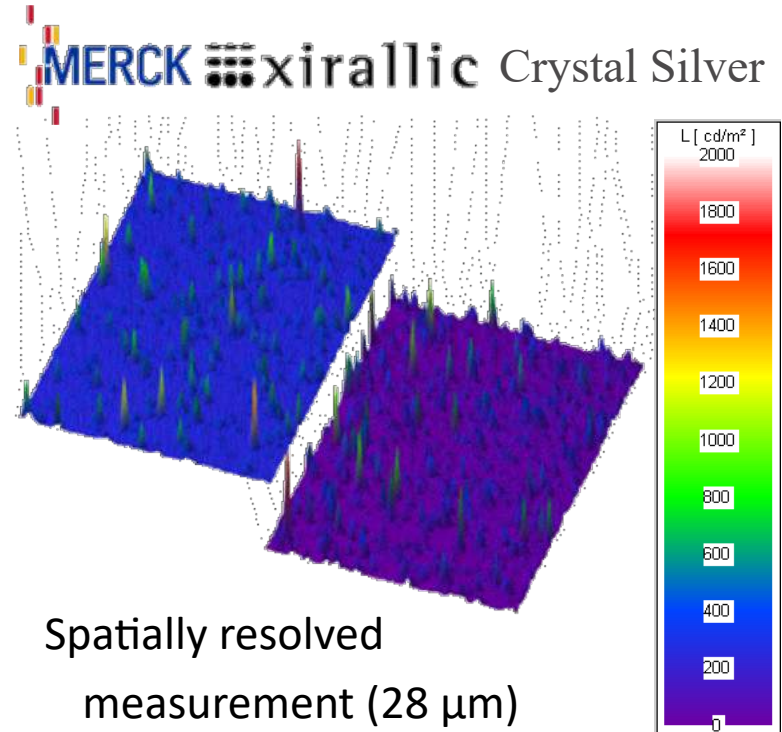




# Principle



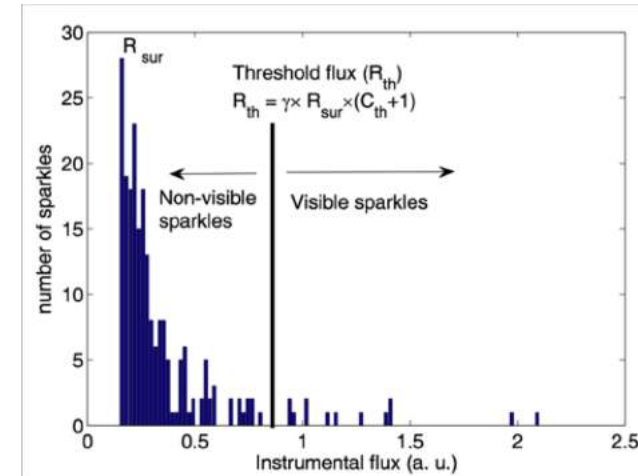
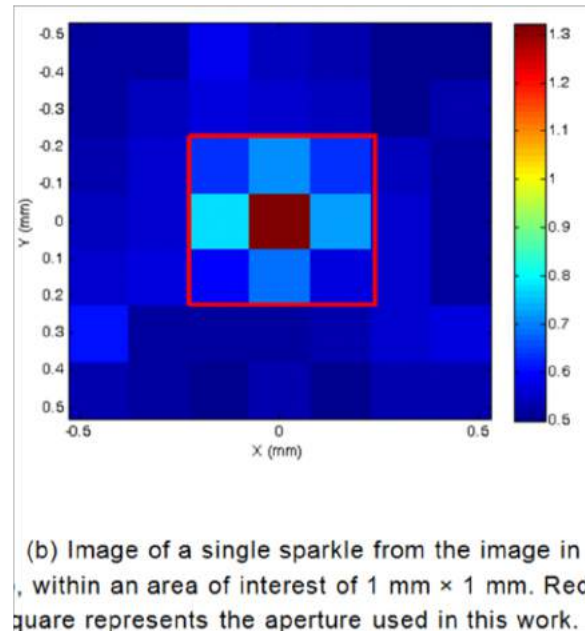
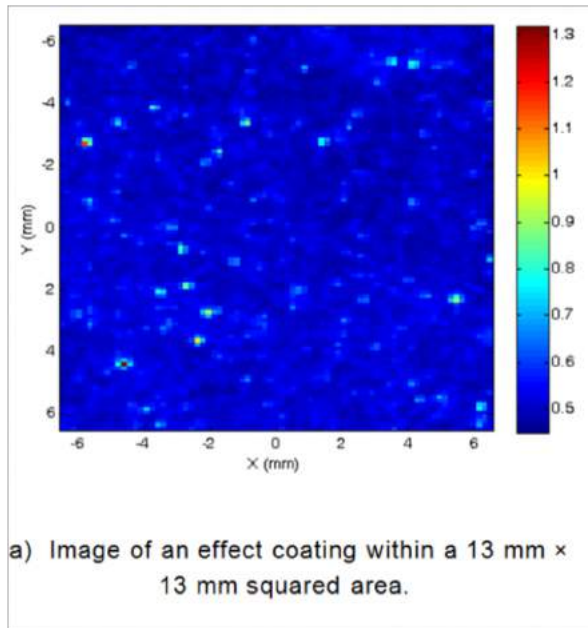
Imaging systems



Spatially resolved  
measurement (28  $\mu$ m)

Angular resolution : narrow  
Dynamic : 4 decades

# Method



A. Ferrero, S. Bayón, “The measurement of Sparkle”, Metrologia, **52**, 317-323, 2015

# Development of dedicated facilities

Regular goniospectrophotometer equipped with imaging based detection

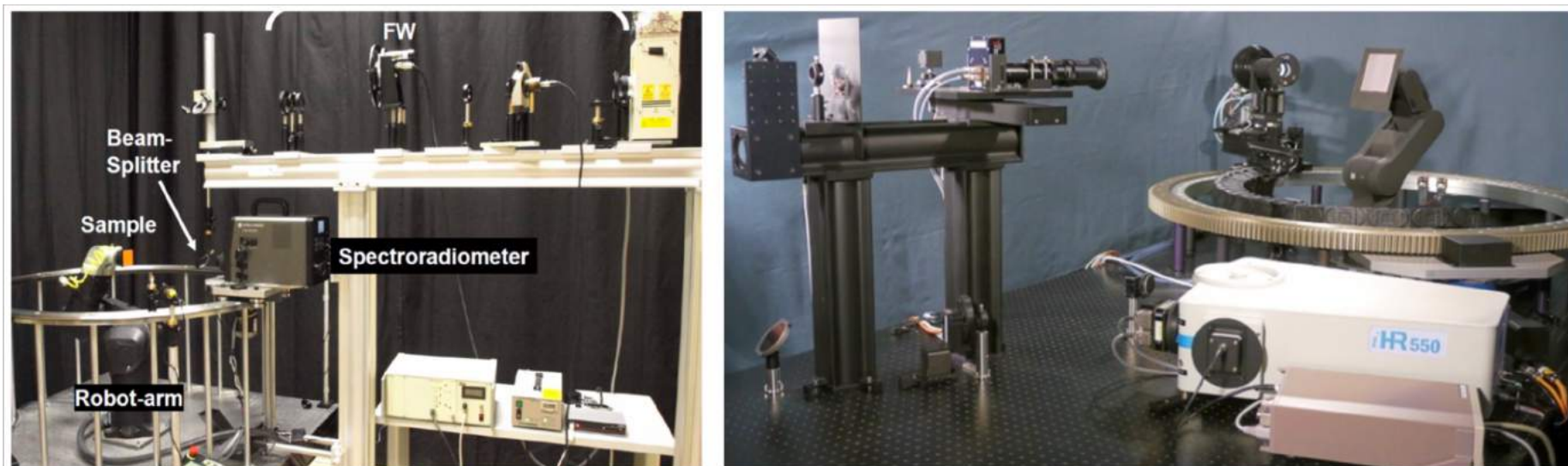


Figure 19 : Photo of the two goniospectrophotometers that has been equipped for sparkle measurement. Left, GEFE at CSIC. Right, ARGon3 at PTB.



# Fluorescence



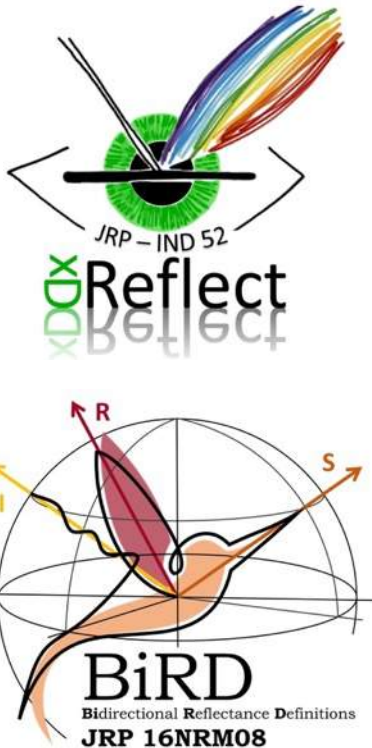
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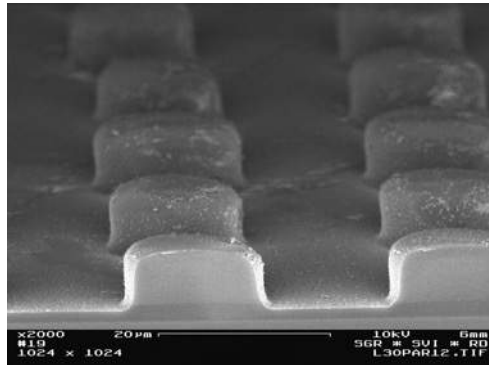


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# Future Project



## BxDiff

New quantities for the measurement of appearance



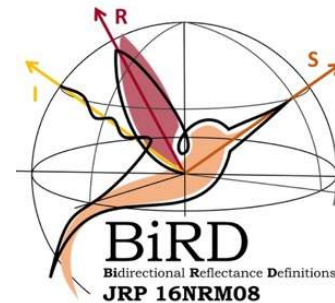


# Context

Sept 2013 → Aug 2016



May 2017 → April 2020



May 2019 → April 2022

**BxDiff**  
Call SIB

# Consortium

## 9 national metrological institutes



## 3 academics

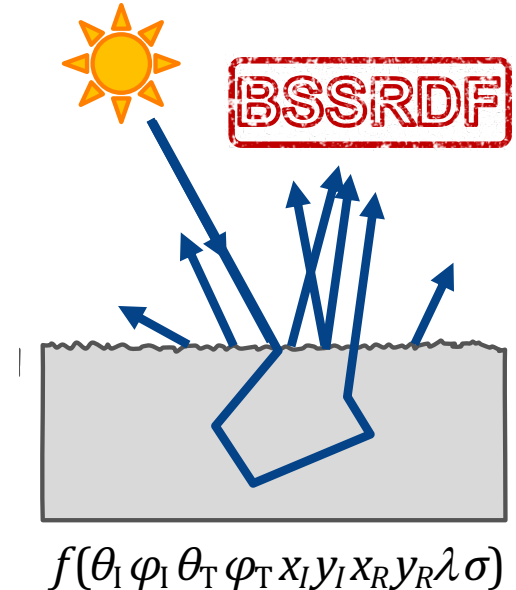
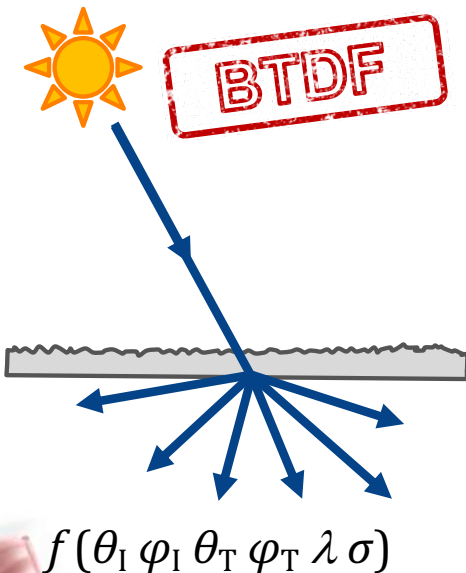


## 5 industrials



# Proposal

1. Developing primary reference facilities and standard artefacts for the measurement and the dissemination of the Bidirectional Transmittance Distribution Functions (BTDF) as a traceable quantity,
2. Developing primary reference facilities and standard artefacts for the measurement and the dissemination of the Bidirectional Scattering Surface Reflectance Distribution Function (BSSRDF) as a traceable quantity





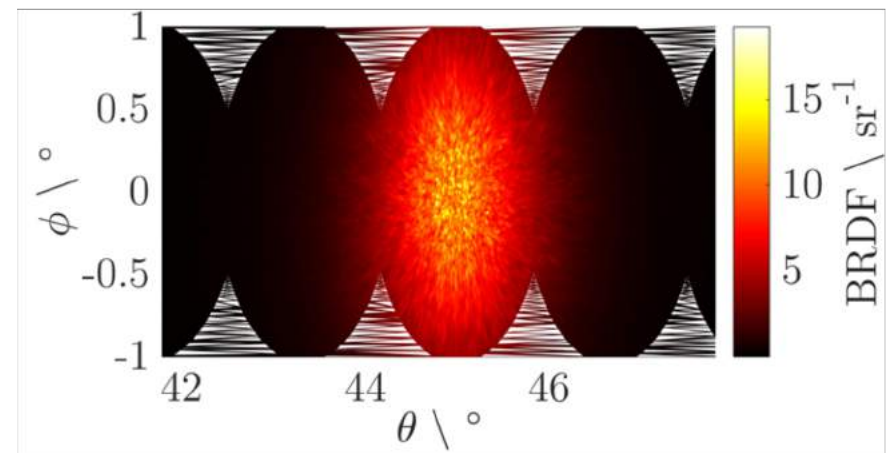
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- Addressing advanced metrological issues related to Bidirectional Reflectance Distribution Function (BRDF) measurement, including polarization and speckle induced effects in order to reduce by a factor 2 the measurement uncertainty at the highest level

**Polarisation**



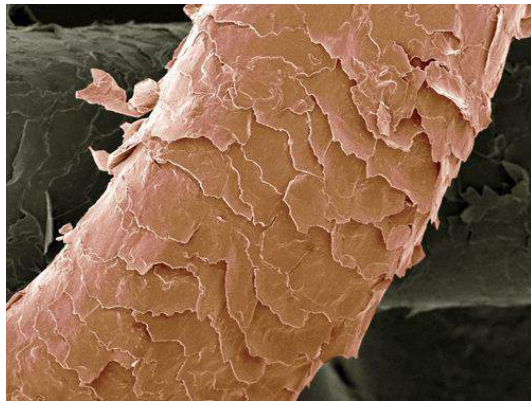
**Speckle**



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# Proposal

4. Establishing a full metrological traceability of the BRDF from tiny objects (micrometric scale) to regular objects (centimetric scale),



5. Engaging with industry, academics and end-users know-how transfer, measurement techniques and reference materials issued from the project, in order to strengthen the level of traceability in the field of spectrophotometry, thus allowing a better control of the appearance of manufactured objects.



# Stakeholders



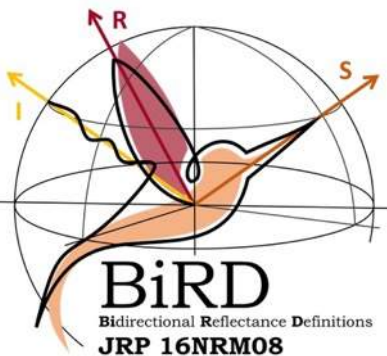
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# Conclusion (1/3)

Industrials need to control the appearance of their products  
 The visual effect generated are more and more complex



Measurement solutions must include a bi-directional approach (BRDF, BTDF)  
 New transfer artefacts must be thought to ensure traceability



## Conclusion (2/3)

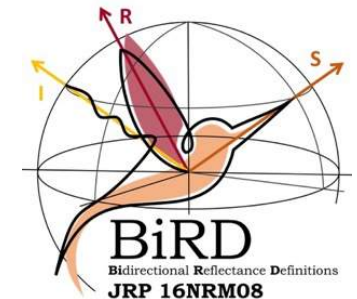
Since 2012 and thanks to Euramet and EU funds, the European metrology is addressing this demand and is structuring its labs to be complementary, applied and efficient



Important progresses have been made in connection with goniochromatism, gloss, sparkle, graininess, fluorescence (BRDF) characterisation (xDReflect)



Main outputs are now at the normative level (BiRD)





## Conclusion (3/3)

Future project will address transparency (BTDF), translucency (BSSRDF) and multiscale traceability

It will provide primary standards and transfer artefacts of these quantities, to ensure a better characterization and exploitation of the related visual effects.

**JRP 18SIB03**



**“New quantitates for the measurement of appearance”  
(BxDiff)**

June 2019 to May 2022



Next meeting concerning BiRD/BxDiff will be at CNAM (Paris)  
21/22 May 2019

You are welcome to attend



Thank you

