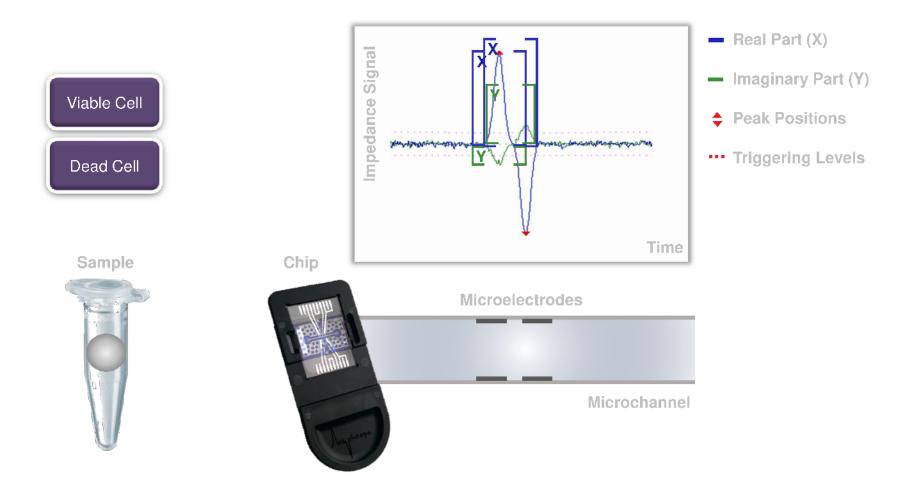


#### How we measure cells...





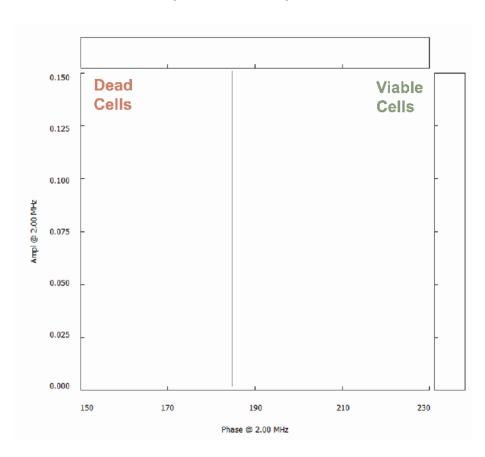
#### How we measure cells...



Impedance Signals

Cell Detected • Start Chip

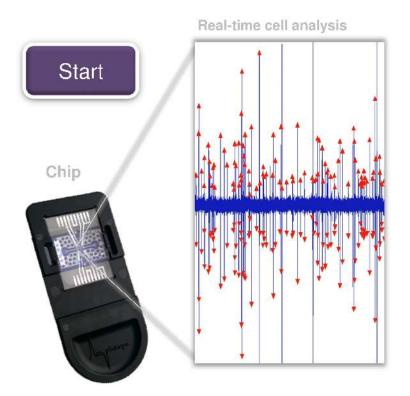
Phase - Amplitude Scatterplot



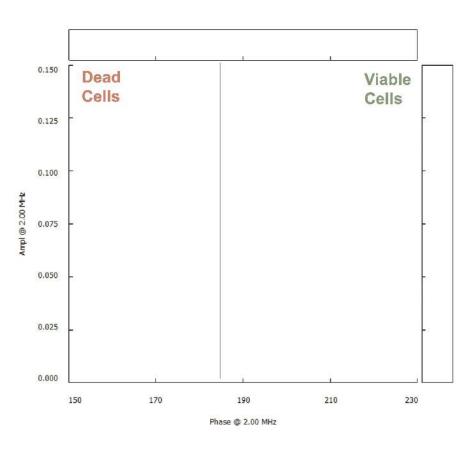
#### ...lots of cells



Impedance Signals

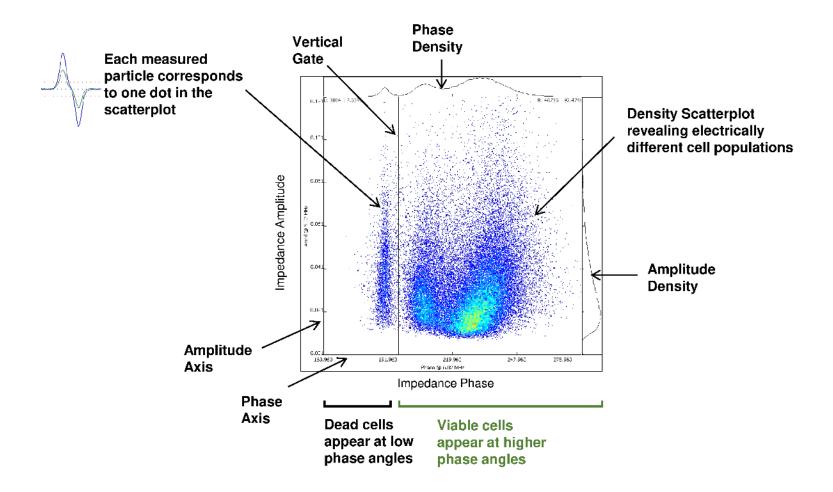


Phase - Amplitude Scatterplot



## AmphaSoft Scatterplots







# Data Analysis Features



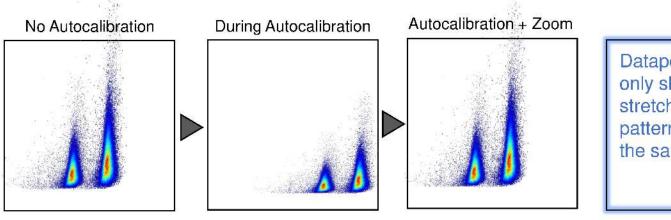
# What is new in AmphaSoft 2.1.6?

# AmphaSoft 2.1.5 to AmphaSoft 2.1.6



#### **Autocalibration**

- ▶ Offset correction: Chip / Instrument / Temperature
- Fully automated
- Data analysis unchanged



Datapoints are only shifted and stretched. The patterns remain the same!

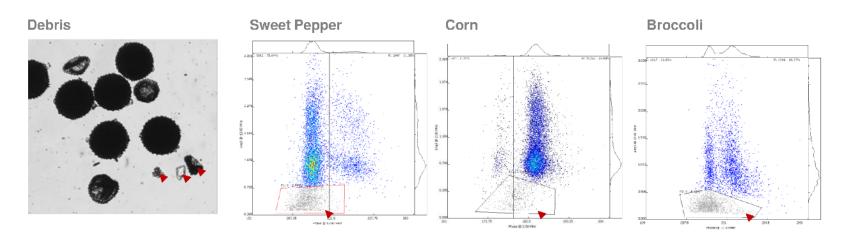


# Data Patterns

#### **Debris**



#### **Patterns**



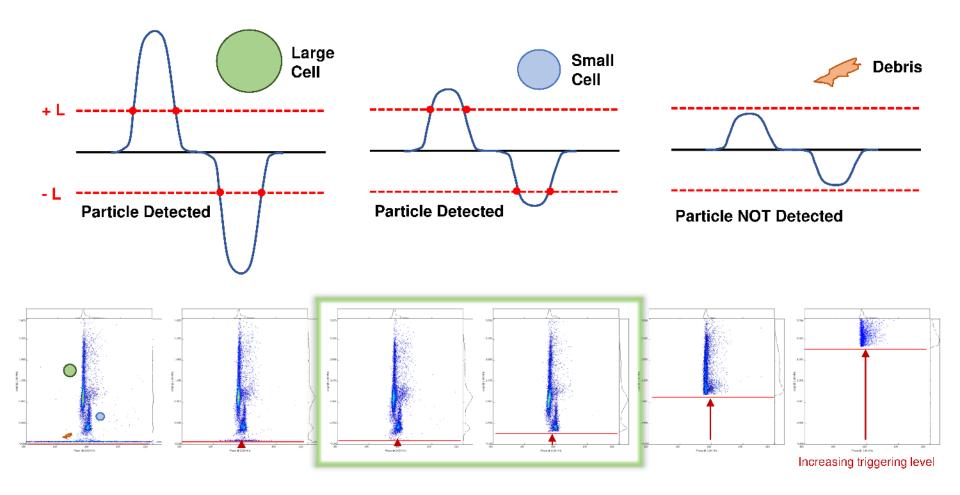
#### How to deal with debris

- 1) Sample preparation: Nondestructive methods, i.e. without using the pellet mixer
- 2) Data analysis: Hide cells feature
- 3) Instrument configuration: Adjusting the triggering level

## Excluding debris by adjusting the level



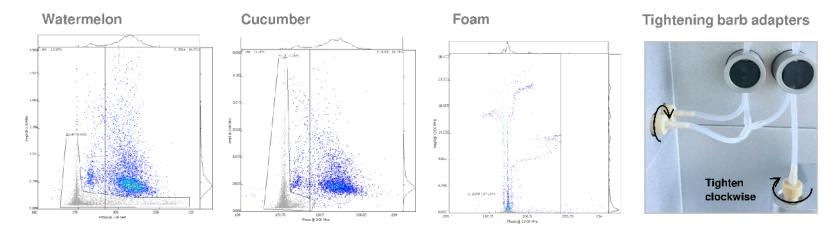
The triggering level is a threshold to exclude particles with a small volume



#### Air bubbles



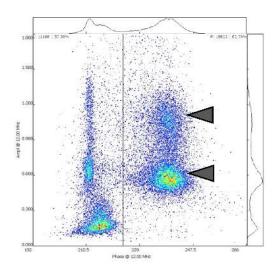
#### Observation



- Pattern comes from air bubbles. Air bubbles are electrically not conductive, and therefore they give us an impedance signal as well.
- Resolution
  - ► Hide air bubble population using the *Hide Cells* feature
  - Adjust sample preparation (do not shake sample excessively before measuring)
  - Make sure fluidic system is not leaky

## Inertial Focusing – Data Interpretation





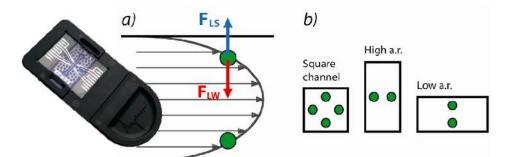
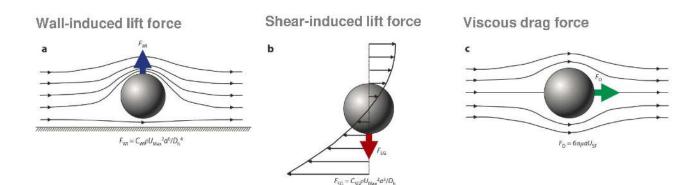


Figure 1: Particle inertial focusing in flow through straight channels. (a) The shear induced lift force  $(F_{LS})$  and a wall induced lift force  $(F_{LW})$  acting on a particle flowing in a microchannel. (b) Illustration of the cross-sectional equilibrium positions of particles flowing through different channel geometries.

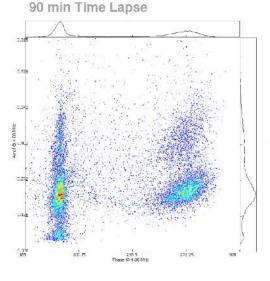


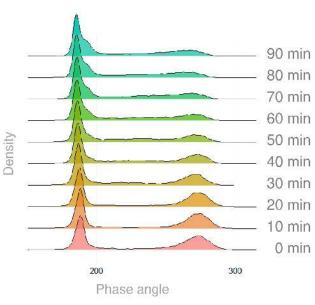
## **Bursting Cells**



- Cell bursting after suspension in buffer, presumably due an osmotic effect
- In the plot, viable cells are moving towards the dead population. An intermediate cell population is visible.
- Prevention: Measuring right after sample preparation
- Quick Guide: Stability of pollen cells (website)

**Bursting Pollen** 





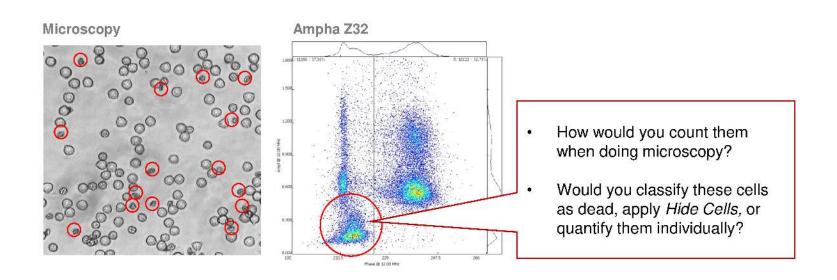


# Going Beyond Viability

#### Small deformed cells



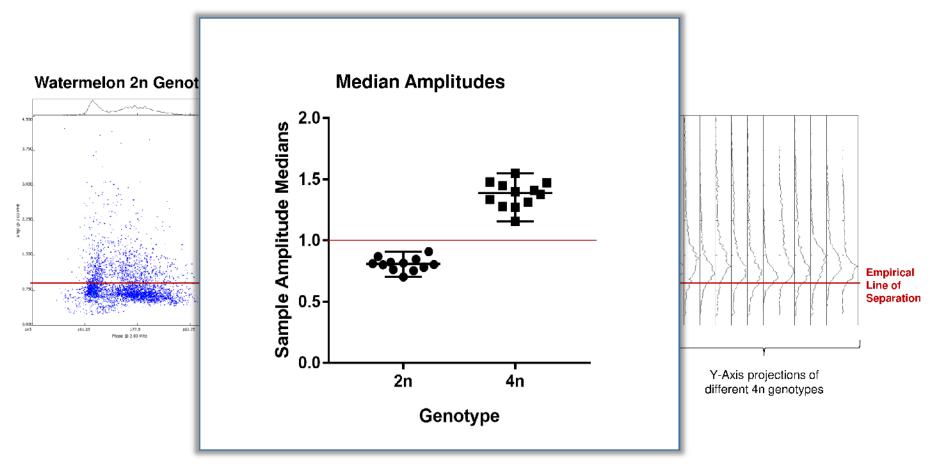
- For some species (e.g. tomato), a significant population of smaller deformed cells can be visible under the microscope and using the Ampha Z32
- Significance? Data Analysis?



## Ploidy using Advanced Gate Statistics



- Higher pollen ploidy is often associated with larger pollen grains
- Can we determine pollen ploidy by IFC?







# Q&A

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