



Research Team name: Electric field gradient in liquids and polymers  
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## Team's general info

Research Team Name: Electric field gradient in liquids and polymers

Number of team members: 6

Team leader: Yoav Tsori, Physicist

- 2 post doctoral fellows
- 1 Ph.D. students (Physics/Chemical Engineering)
- 1 M.S. student (Chemical Engineering)
- 2 undergraduate students



Relevance to MP1106

Research interests related to MP1106 :

- Demixing phase transitions in liquid in electric field gradients
- Nucleation of liquid droplet from the vapour phase
- Nucleation of a bubble from the liquid phase
- Separation of two liquids from each other & microfluidics
- Colloidal suspensions



## Lab description

Basic facilities, equipment, devices etc :

- Computer cluster (small)
- Leica SP5 confocal microscope
- Additional equipment in the “nano” center (TEM, AFM, DLS/SLS, etc.)



## Projects

### #1 project :

Title: Dynamics of phase separation in field gradients

Duration: 4 years

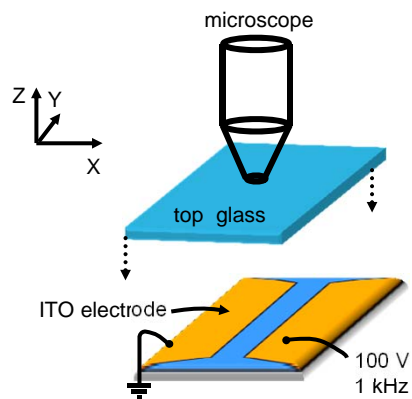
Funding organization: ERC

People involved and their function : 1 post-doc, 1 Ph.D. student

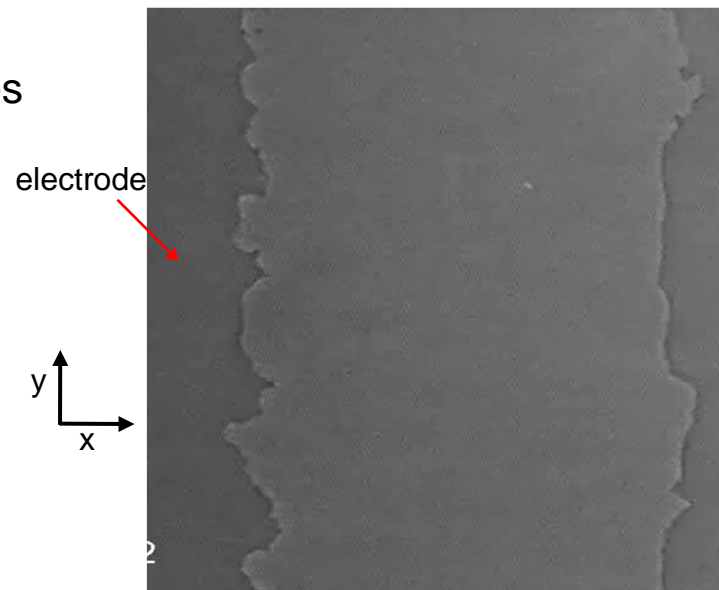
Facilities/equipment : theory, confocal microscope

Most interesting results: see movie

### "razor-blade" electrodes



Liquids: silicon oil & paraffin  
(PMPS & Squalane)



Nucleation of squalane  
droplets (light color)



## Projects

#2 project :

Title: Static interfacial instabilities in field gradients

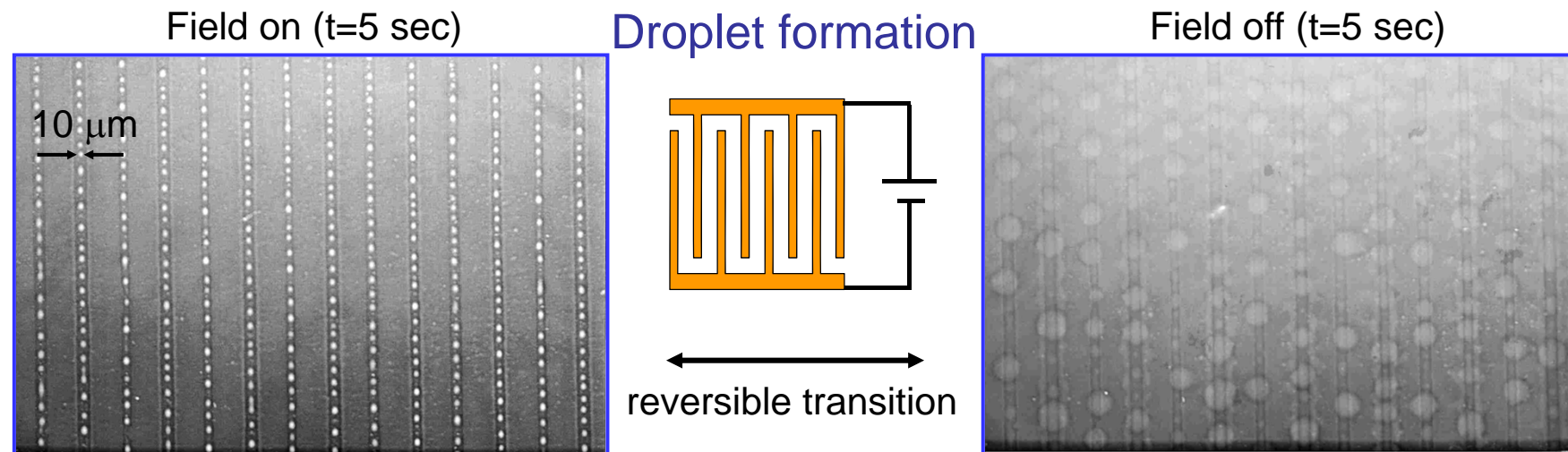
Duration: 3 years

Funding organization: ERC

People involved and their function : 1 post-doc

Facilities/equipment : theory, confocal microscope

Most interesting results: see image.





## Projects

### #3 project :

Title: Dynamical interfacial instabilities

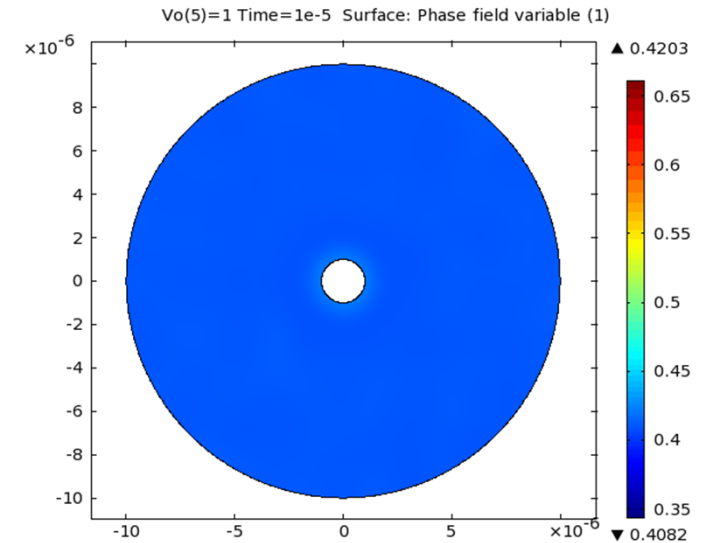
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Funding organization: ERC/ISF

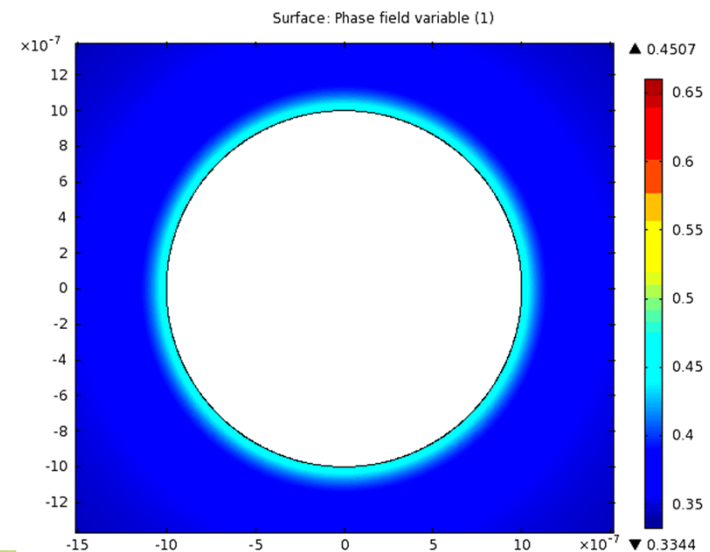
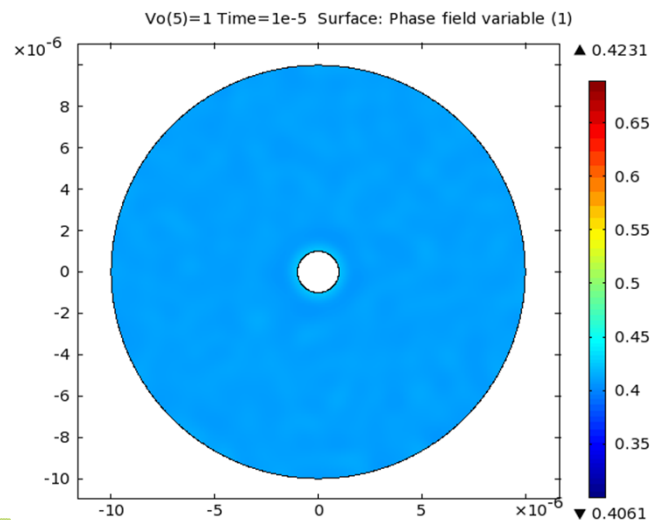
People involved and their function: 1 post-doc

Facilities/equipment: computer

Most interesting results: see movie



### Demixing of two nonpolar liquids around a charged cylinder





## Topics for Research Proposal

### #1 Topic

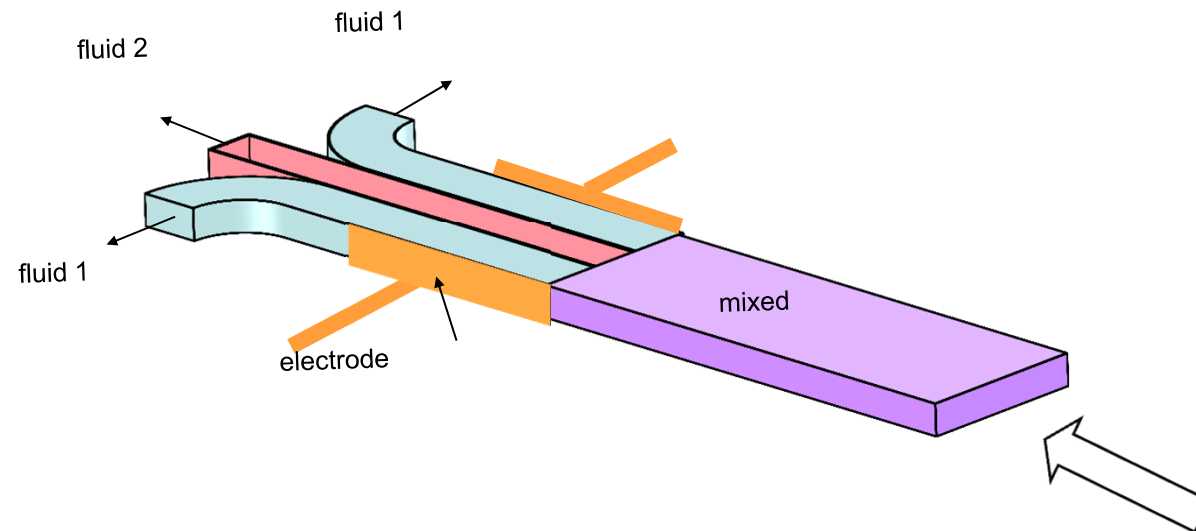
Title: Demixing in microfluidics

Promotion images & text:

Duration: 3 years

Expertise required: Physics, optics.

Facilities/equipment required: optical microscope







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