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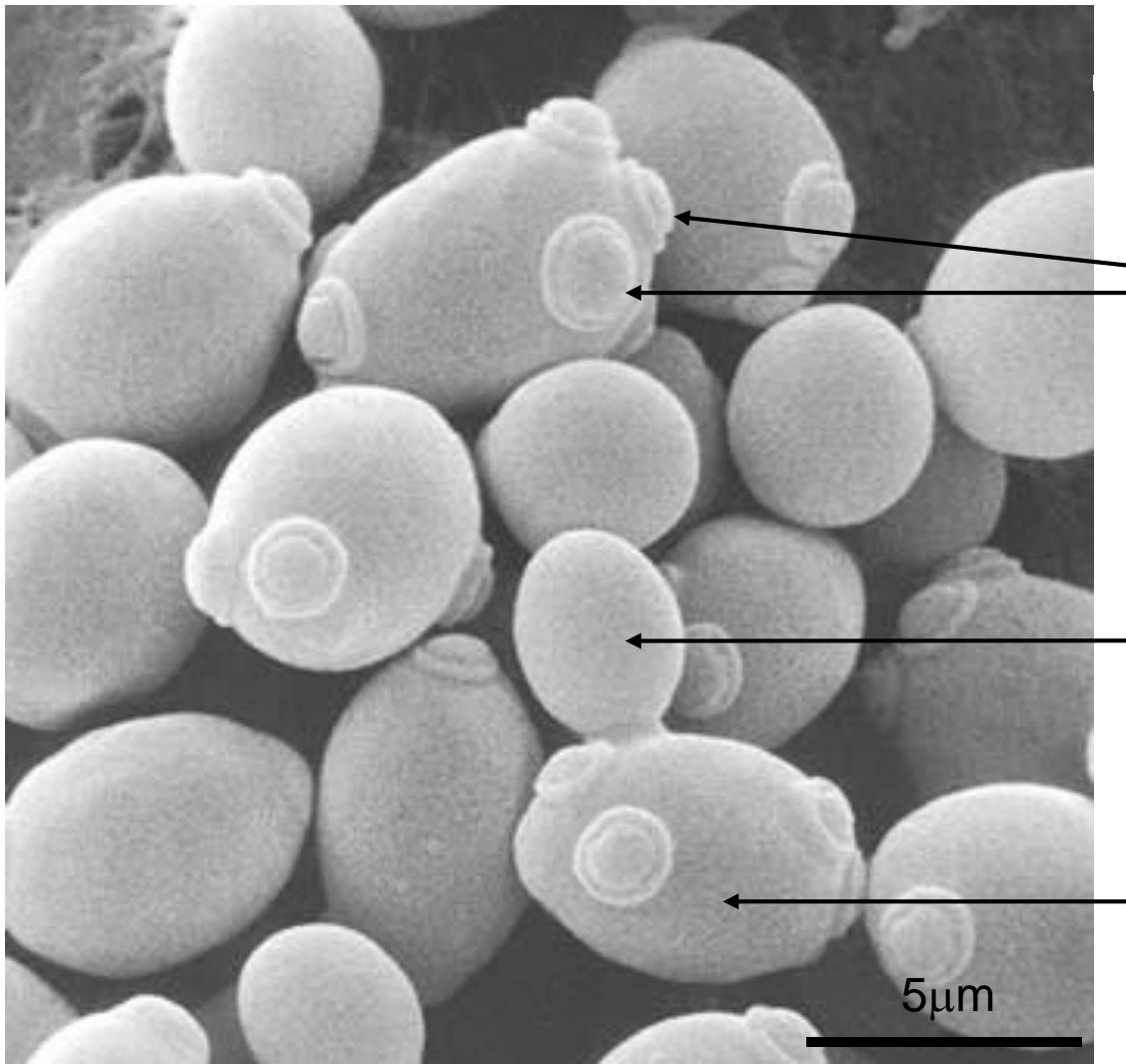
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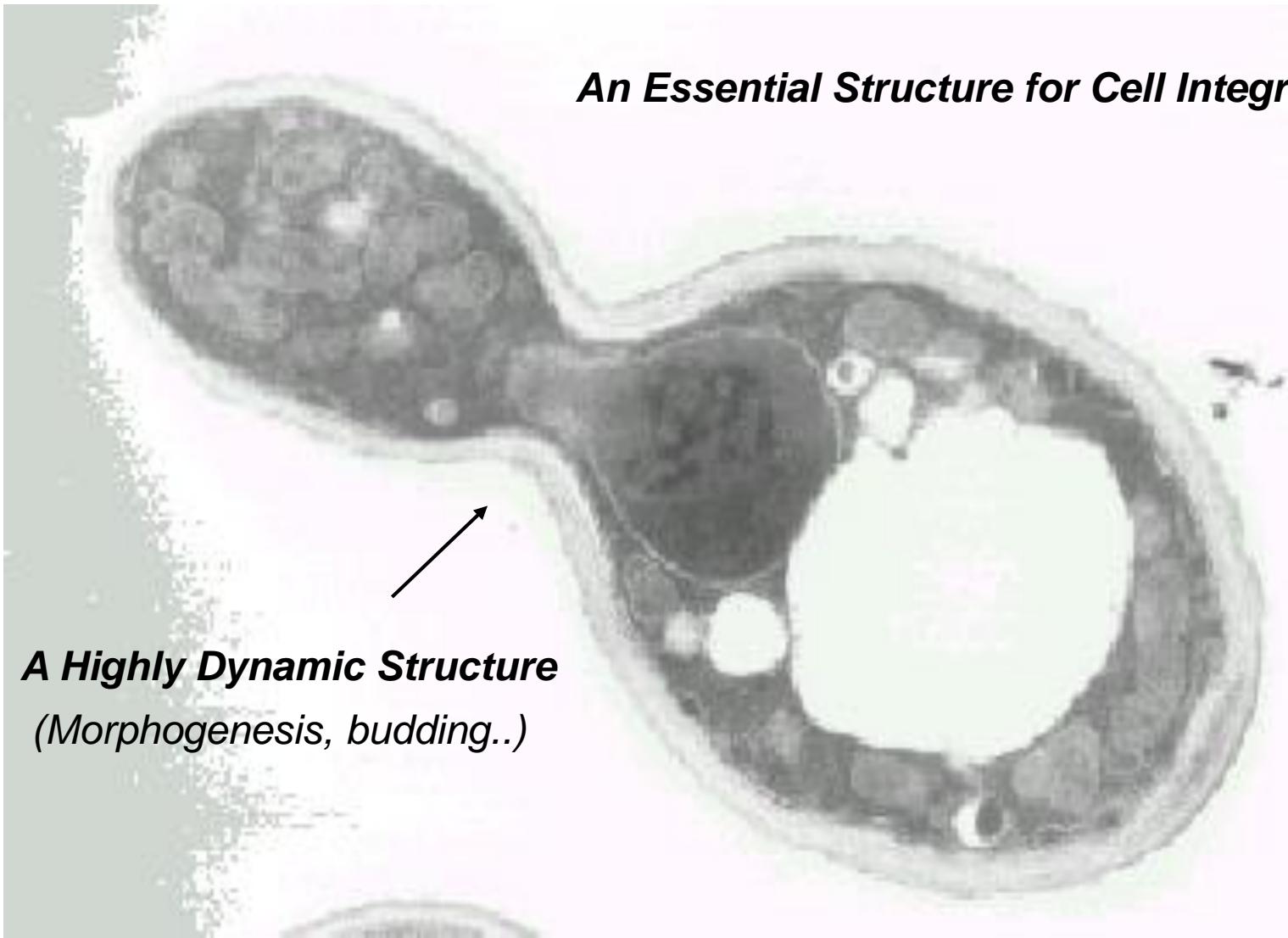
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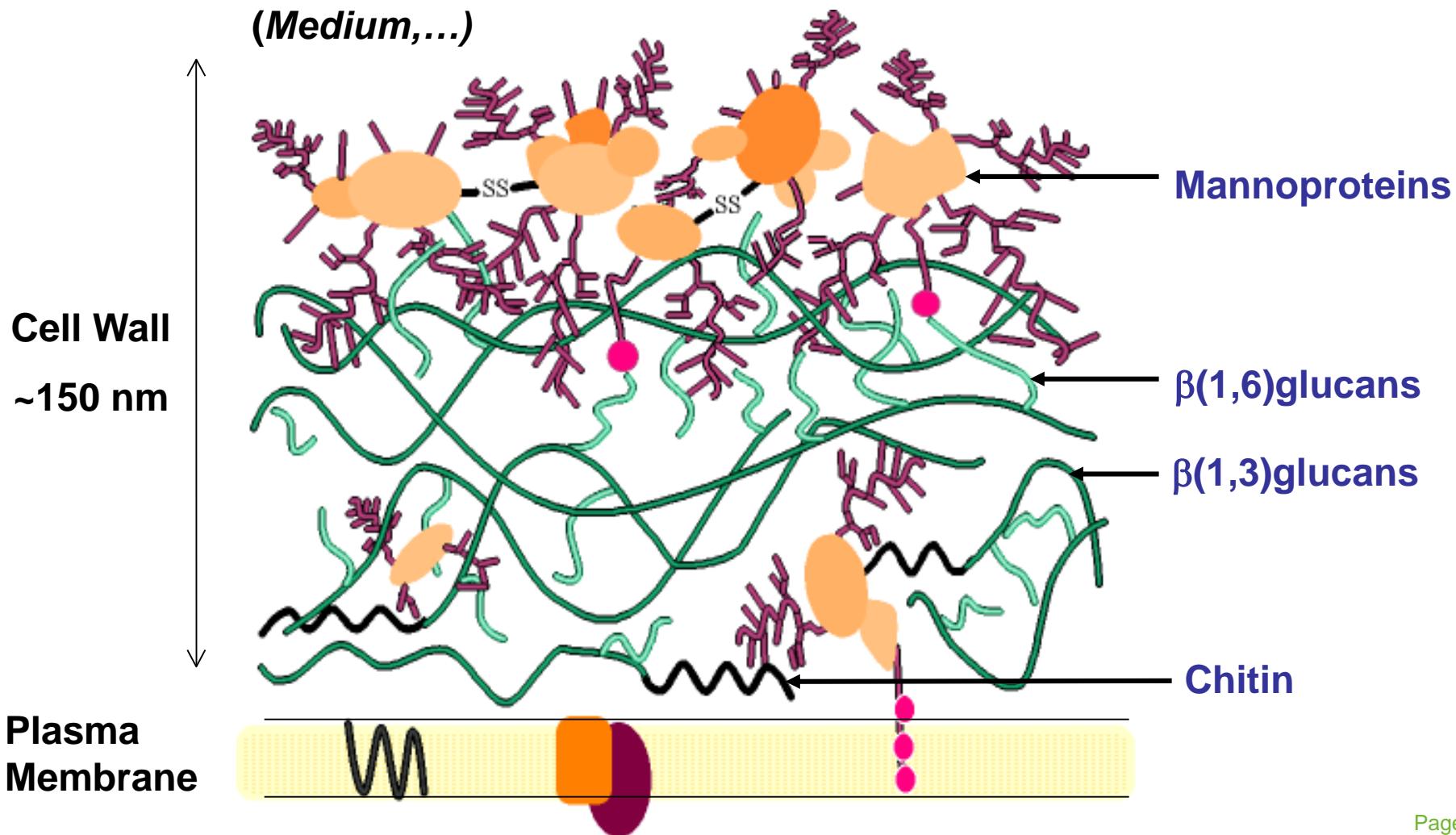
## *The Yeast Cell Wall*

*An Essential Structure for Cell Integrity*



***A Highly Dynamic Structure***  
*(Morphogenesis, budding..)*

## The Yeast Cell Wall Architecture

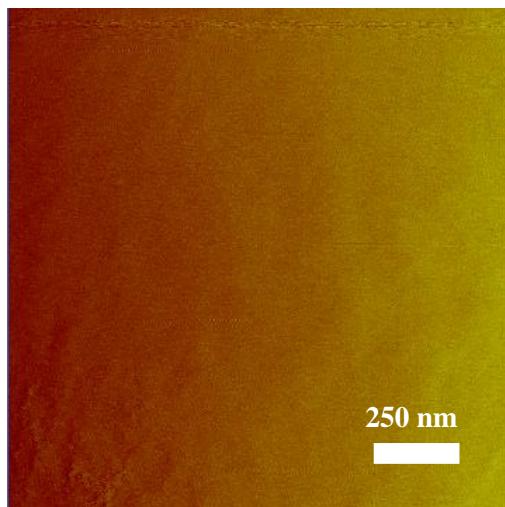


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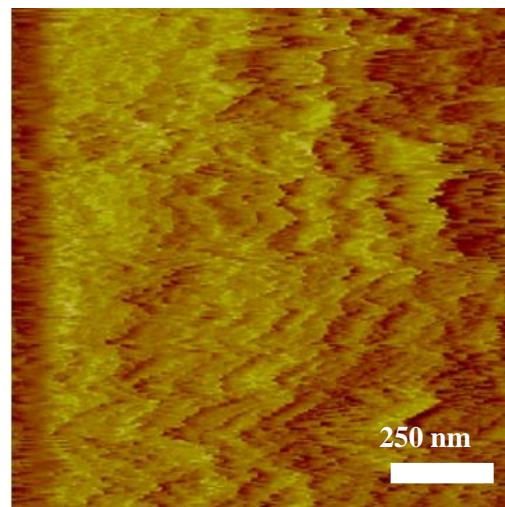


## *AFM : imaging and nano-mechanics of the cell wall*

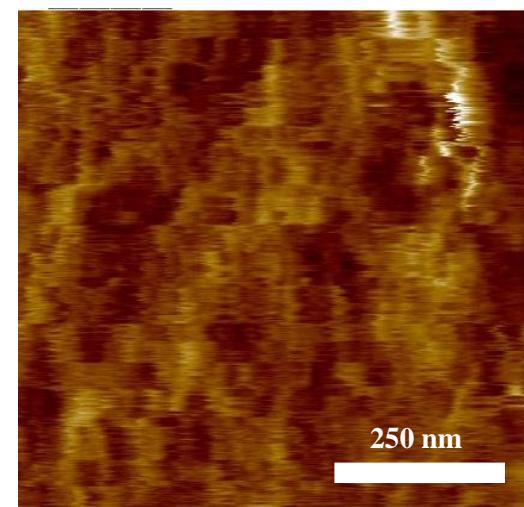
Control strain



*mnn9* (affected in mannan synthesis)



*fks1* (affected in  $\beta$ -glucan synthesis )



Young's modulus  $1.62 \pm 0.22$   
(MPa)

$1.86 \pm 0.58$

$2.02 \pm 0.43$

*Elasticity* →

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Roughness  $1.21 \pm 0.30$

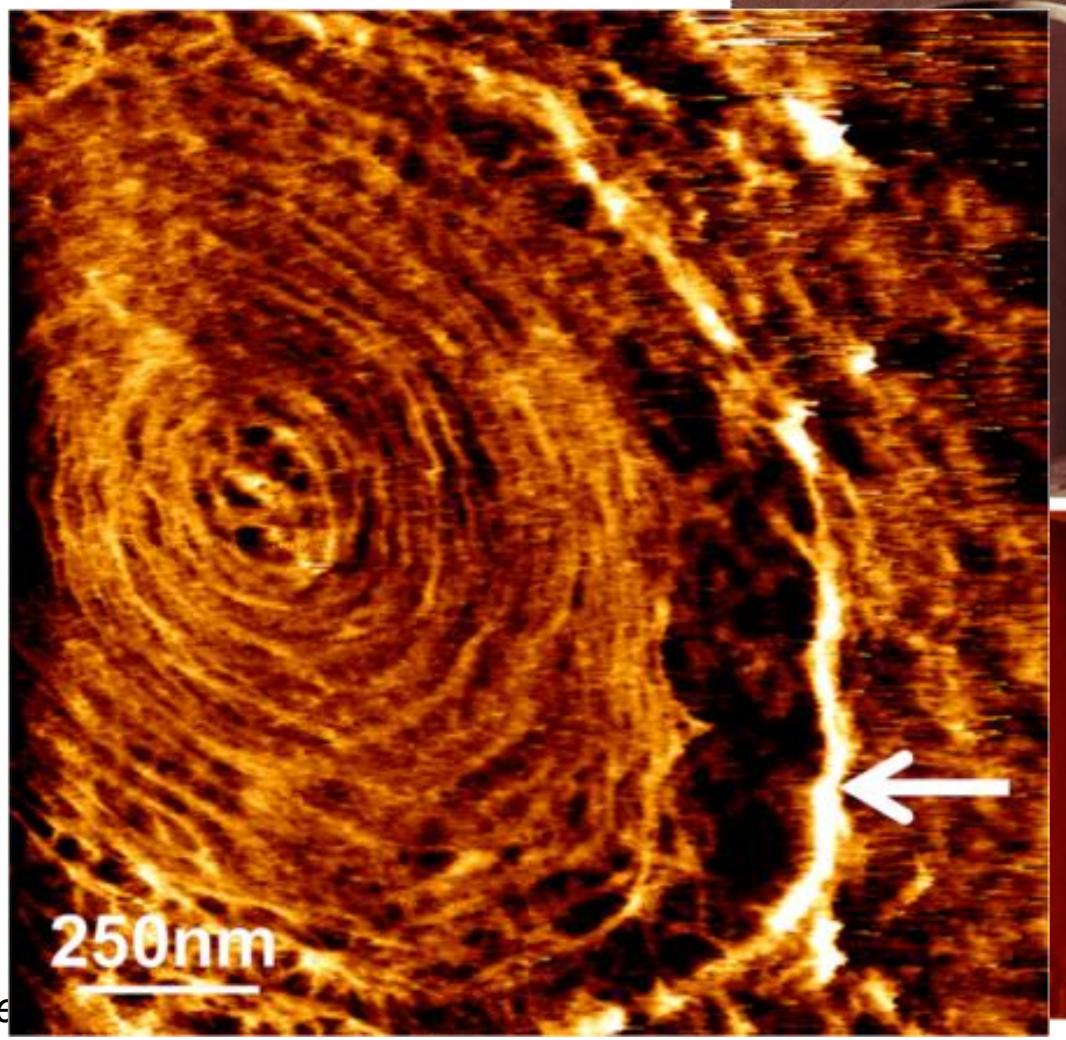
$2.95 \pm 0.65$

$5.76 \pm 1.8$

*Rugosity* ↗

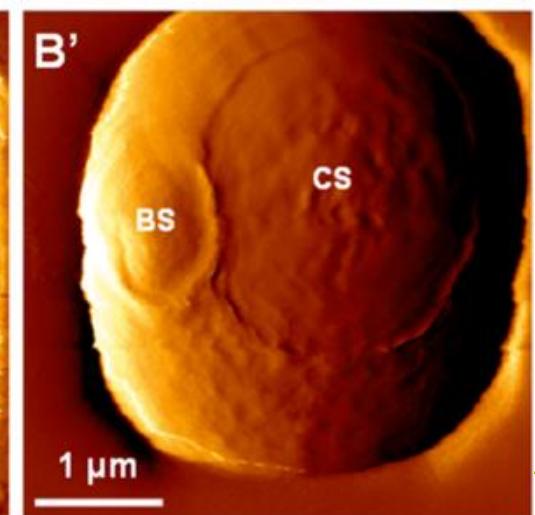
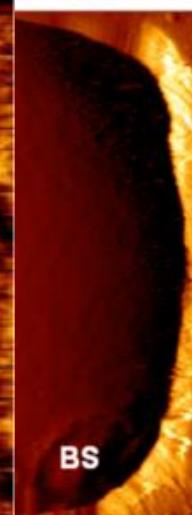
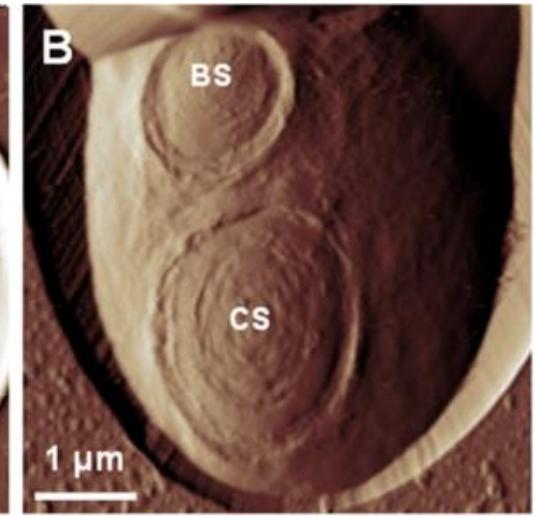
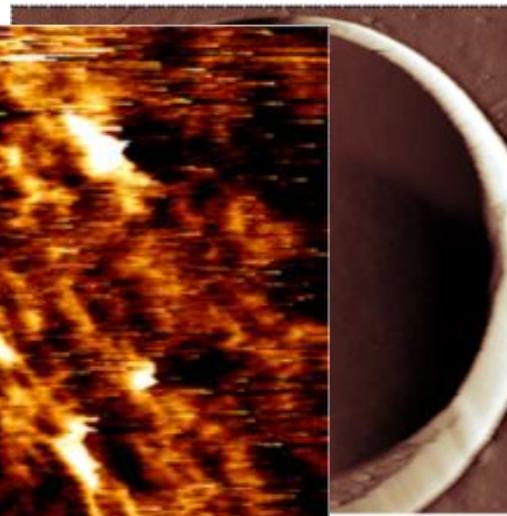
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Ultrastructure of the  
Circular Structure CS :

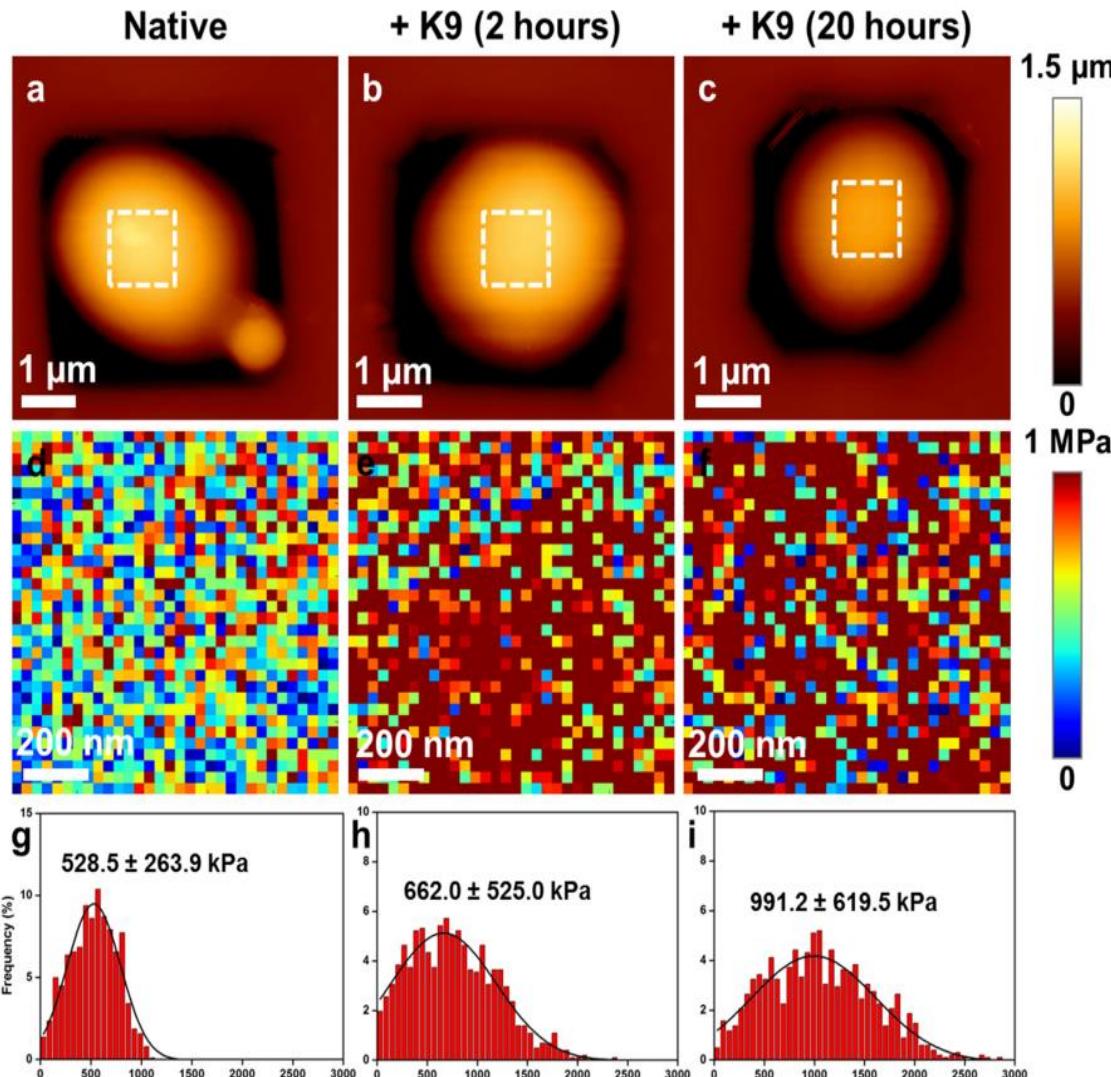


A, A' : unstressed (30°C)

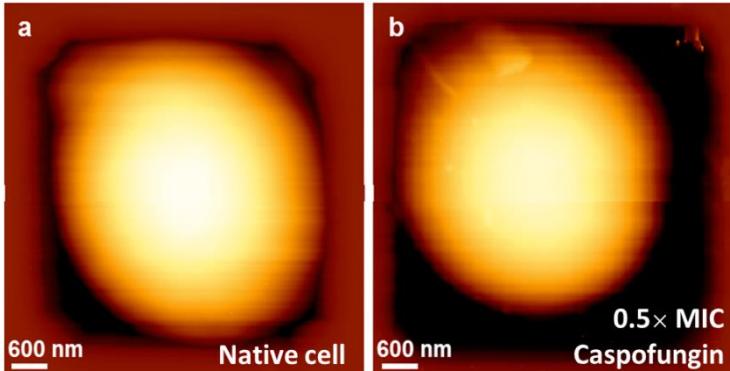
B, B': 1 h at 42°C



# Killer toxin K9

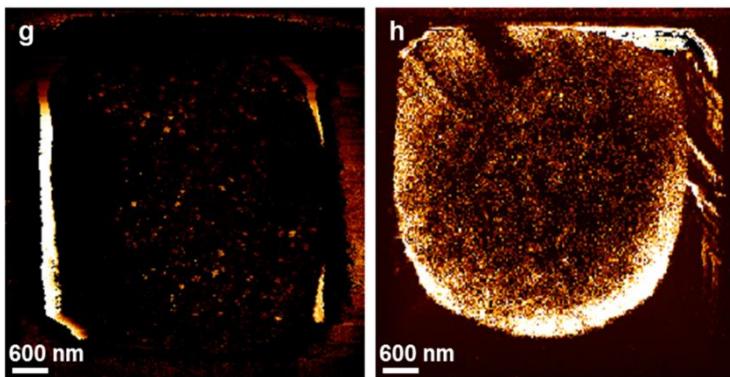


## *Effect of Caspofungin on C. albicans*



2  $\mu$ m

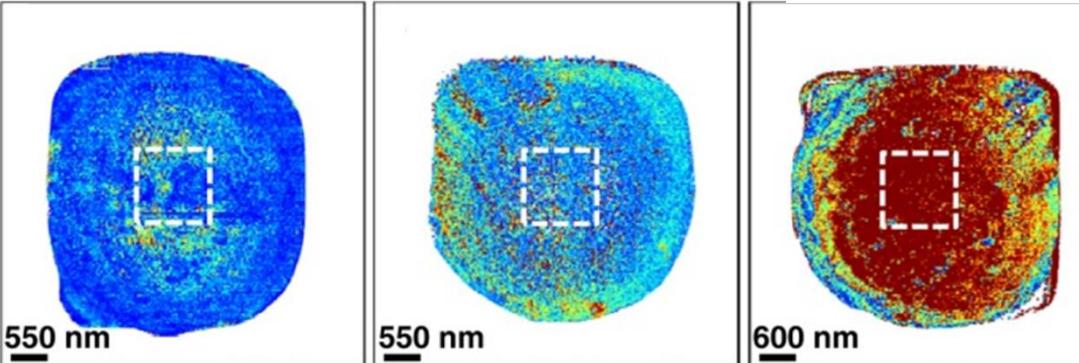
Cell's relief  
(= 3D Image)



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Adhesion Maps

**A low dose of Caspofungin  
(0.5xMIC) results in expression of  
adhesins on the cell surface !!!**

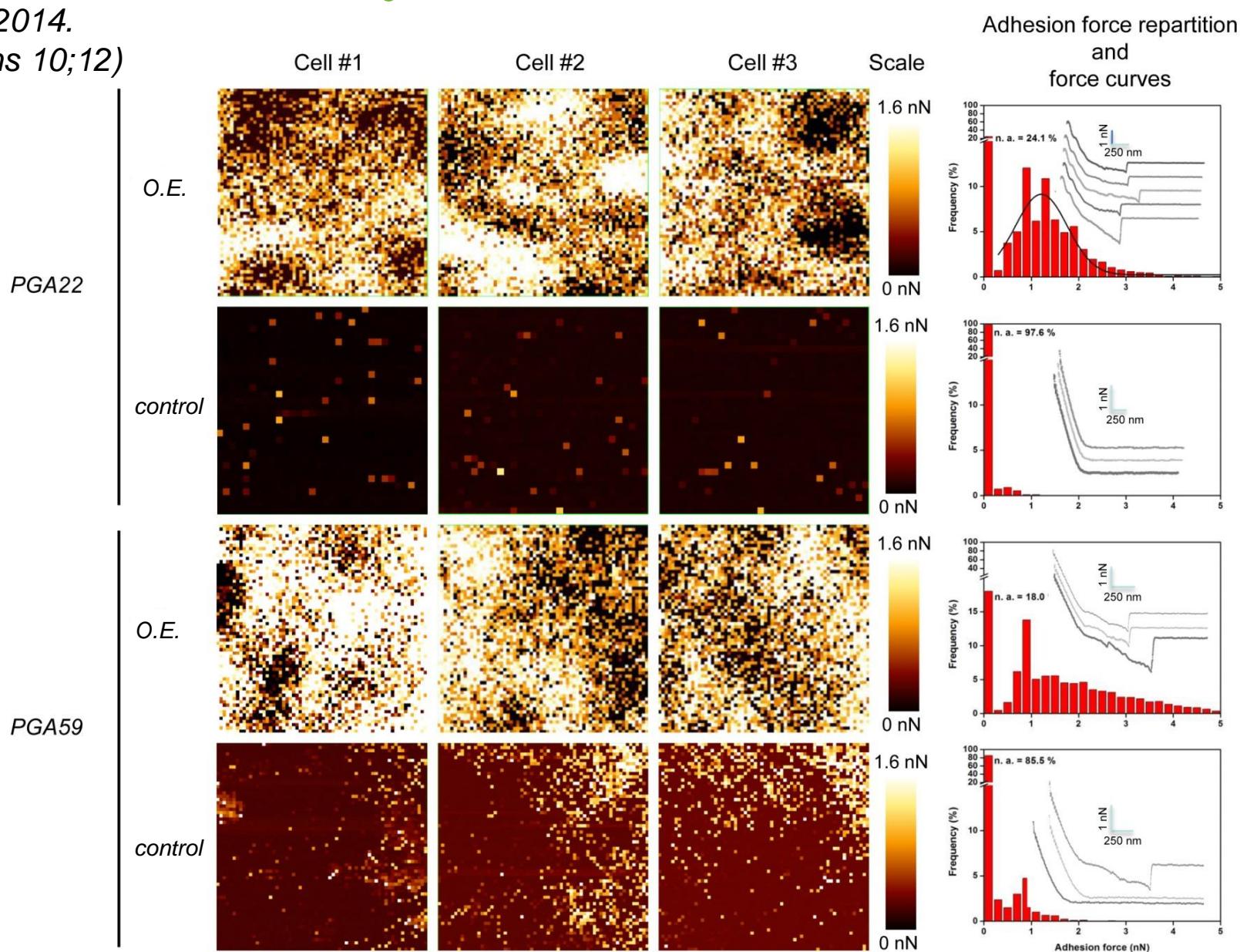


z range = 0.5 MPa

Elasticity maps  
(z range = 0.5 MPa)

# *Single Molecule Force Spectroscopy (SMFS) by AFM to measure cellular Adhesion*

(Cabral et al., 2014.  
*PloS Pathogens* 10;12)



***AFM allowed us to unravel the morphologic effect on yeast cells of Heat Shock, Osmotic Shock, exposure to toxins and drugs.***

**New projects include effect of mycotoxins on yeast cells, and molecular determinants of cell adhesion,**

- at the molecular scale with AFM and Optical Tweezers,**
- at the population scale with the Sheer Flow Chamber.**



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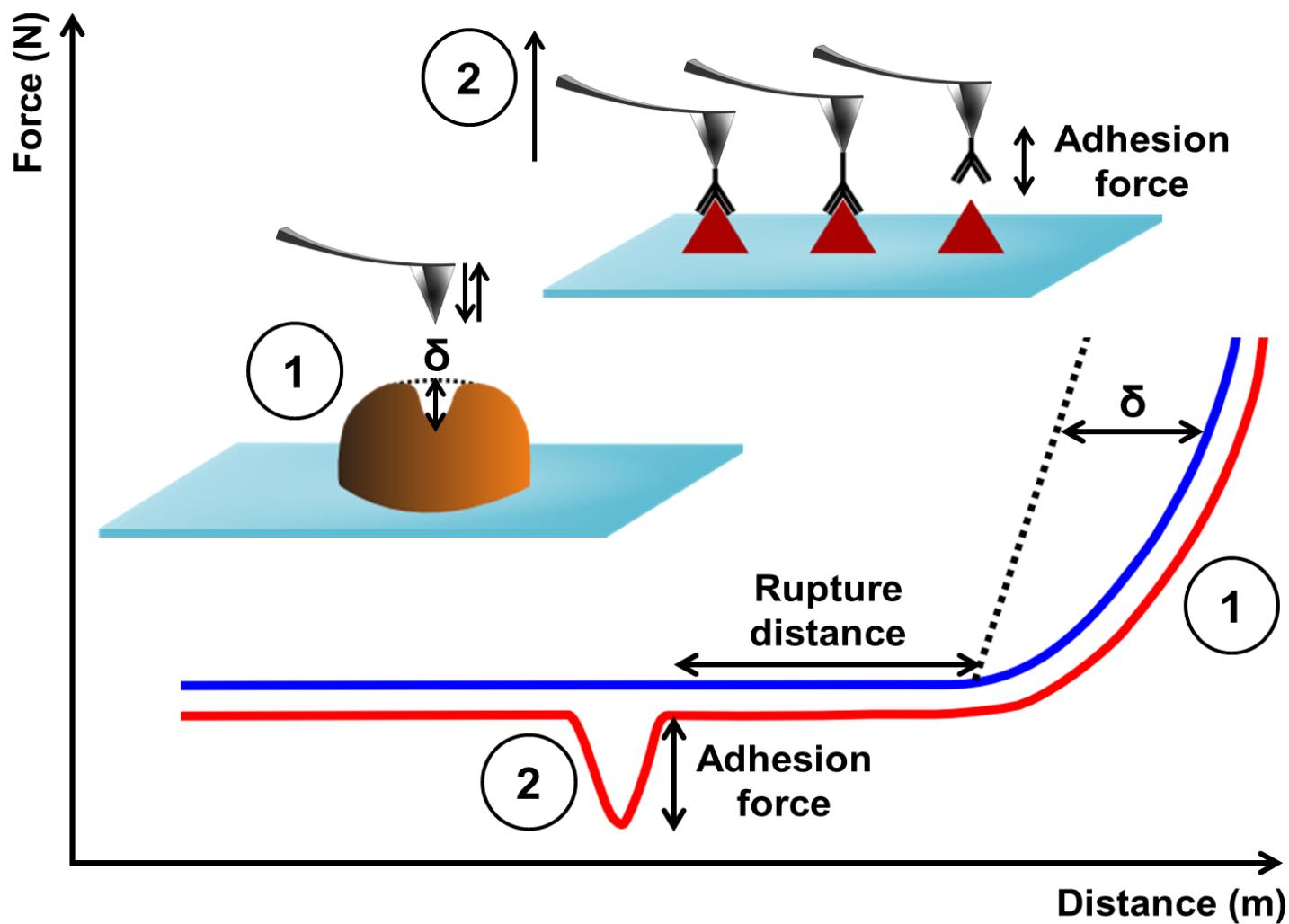
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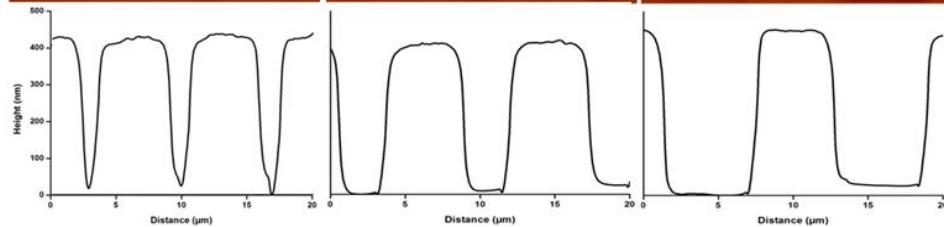
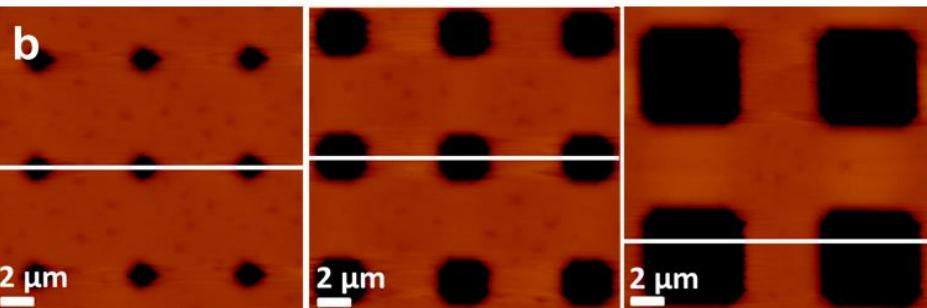
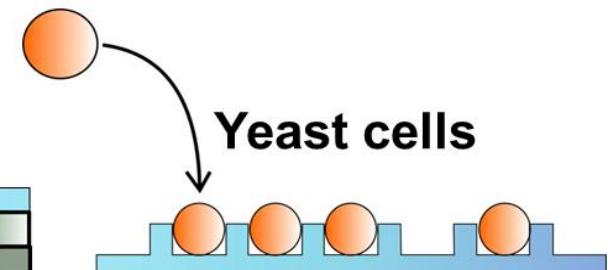
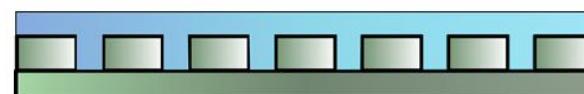
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And...  
**THE FORCE !!!!!**

*Thank you for your attention !*



**a**
**Silicium wafer**

**PDMS**

**c**
