

## Dr. Birthe's presentation

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∴ results <sup>from</sup> Artificial samples ~~so~~ should be looked at with suspicion. Dr Birthe used fresh potatoes (10 samples) to test theories. The diffusion thickness ~~is~~ ~~the~~ measured by  $\frac{I_0}{I_{45}} = \frac{1}{5}$ , where  $s =$  scatter coefficient determined by K.M. equation + measuring  $T, R_0$ . Thus, it is necessary to use a sample at least as thick as  $\frac{1}{5}$ , to ensure that the radiation becomes diffused within the sample.

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An equation has been derived to test KM theory by moving detector across sample surface and determining the distribution.

Another has been derived as a function of sample thickness.

Note that if light enters the center of a spherical sample, it would, of necessity, follow an inverse square law, but if the sphere is cut, there are ~~some~~ escape losses at the cut surface.

The equation relating the distribution across the face of the sample is a more reliable way of determining  $S + K$  than the thickness.  $S$  should be kept constant, in order to determine  $K$ .

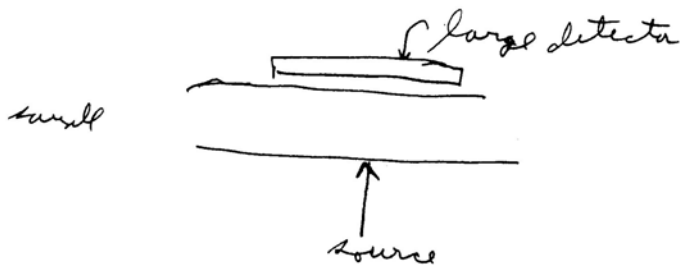
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"~~Body reflectance~~" is "Body reflectance" is recommended terminology for that light that enters the sample + is diffusely reflected.

Books: "Longhurst

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Horris plans to measure  $S+K$  as follows:



+ measure light transmitted at different sample thicknesses

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## TRANSCRIPT OF NOTES – for searchability

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