

Supporting materials for "Cryogenic electron tomography to determine thermodynamic quantities for nanoparticle dispersions"

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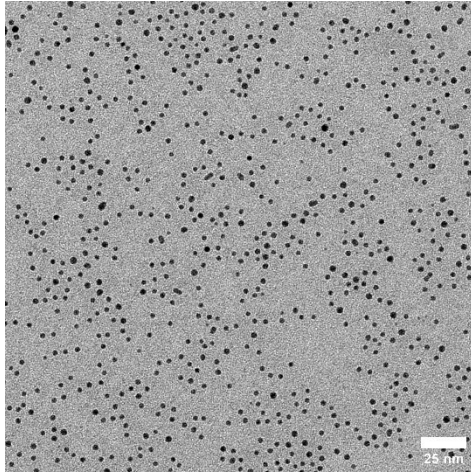


Figure SI1. Conventional TEM image of NP1.

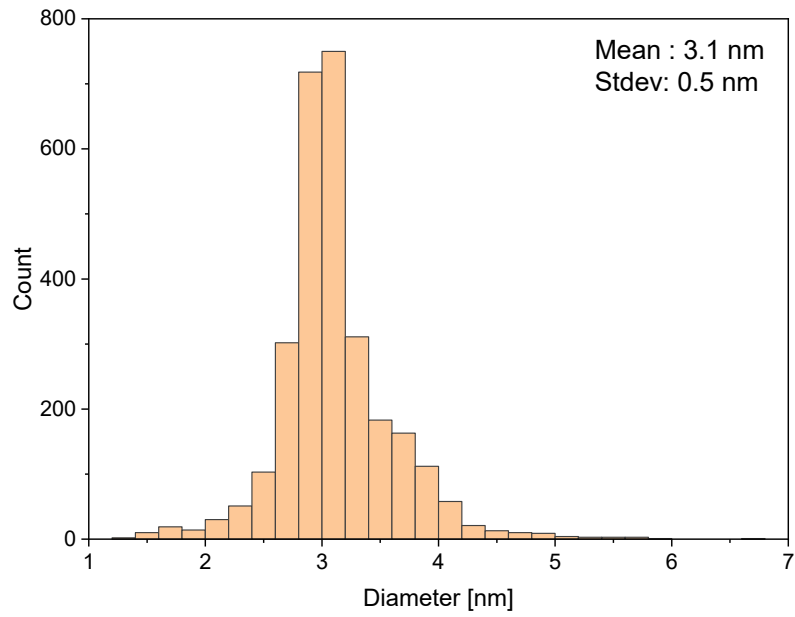


Figure SI2. Histogram of particle size (diameter) of NP1.

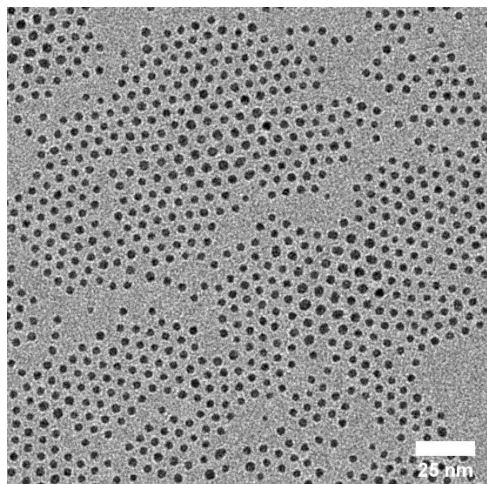


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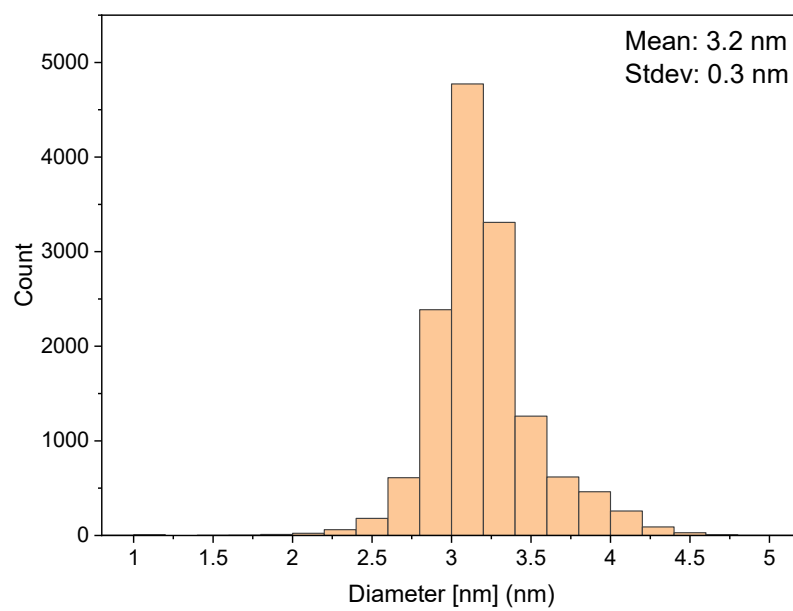


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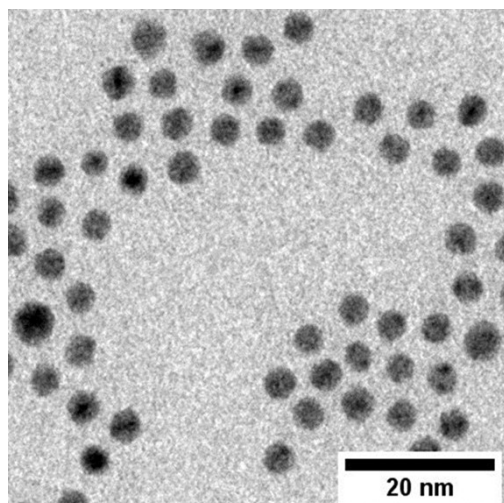


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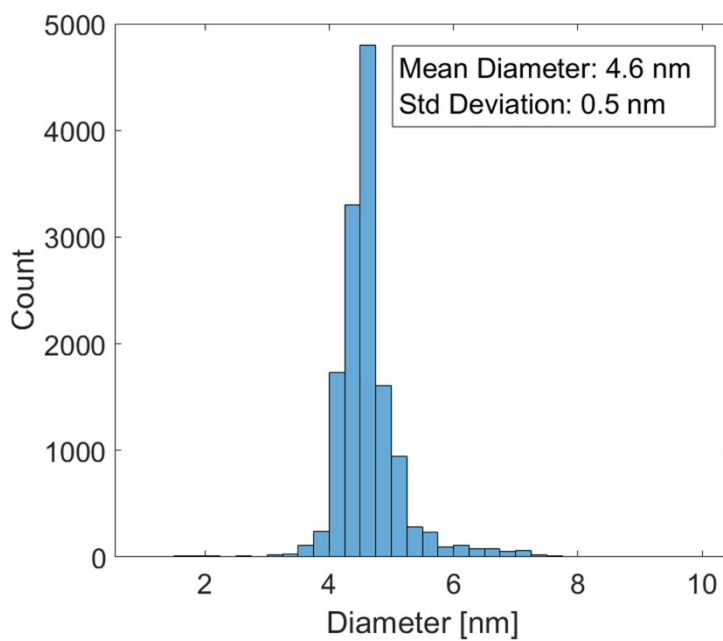


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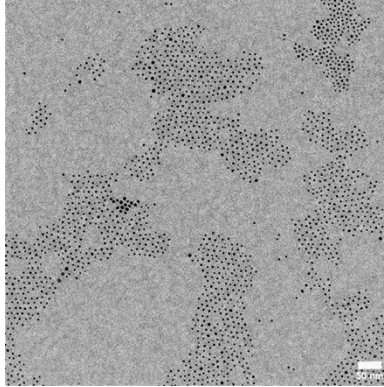


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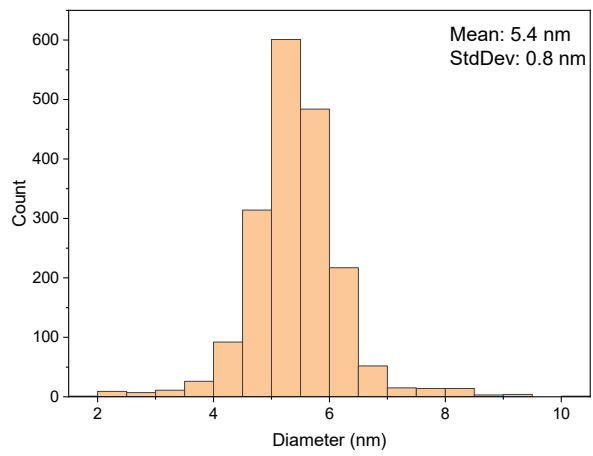


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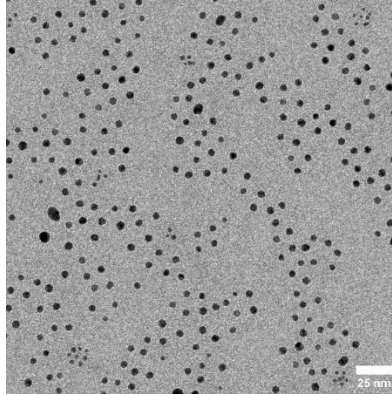


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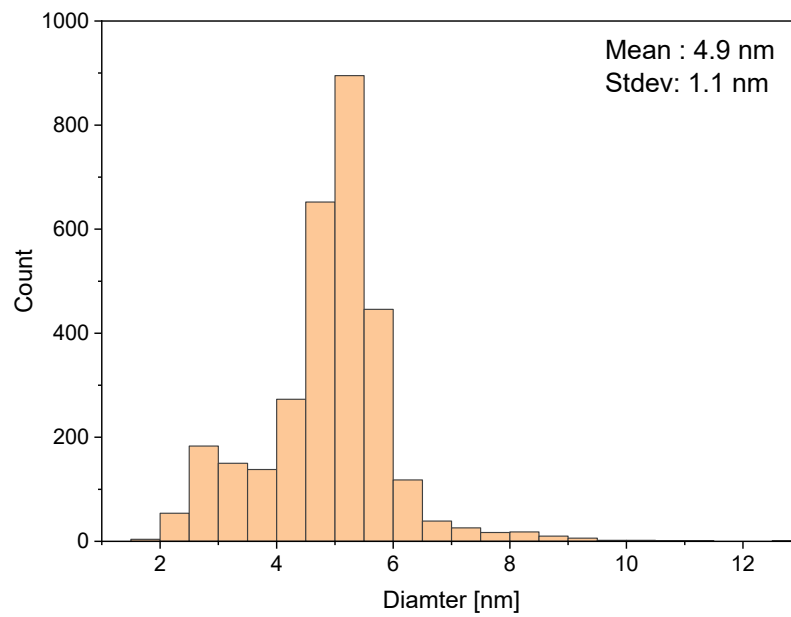


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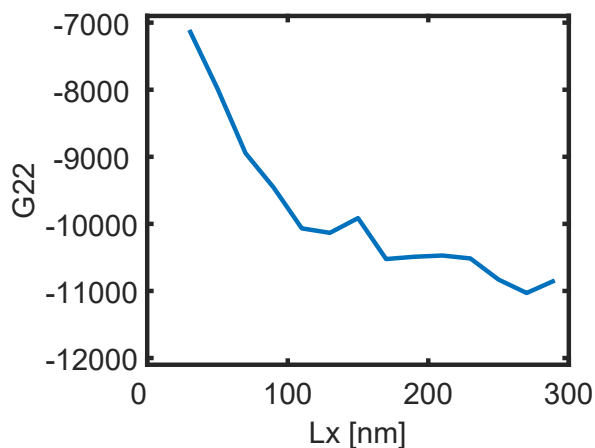


Figure S11. Checking the calculation of G_{22} vs the box volume used to extract the number of particles. The box chosen to have the $L_z = 80$ nm, L_x and L_y were varied by the same value from 50 to 280 nm.

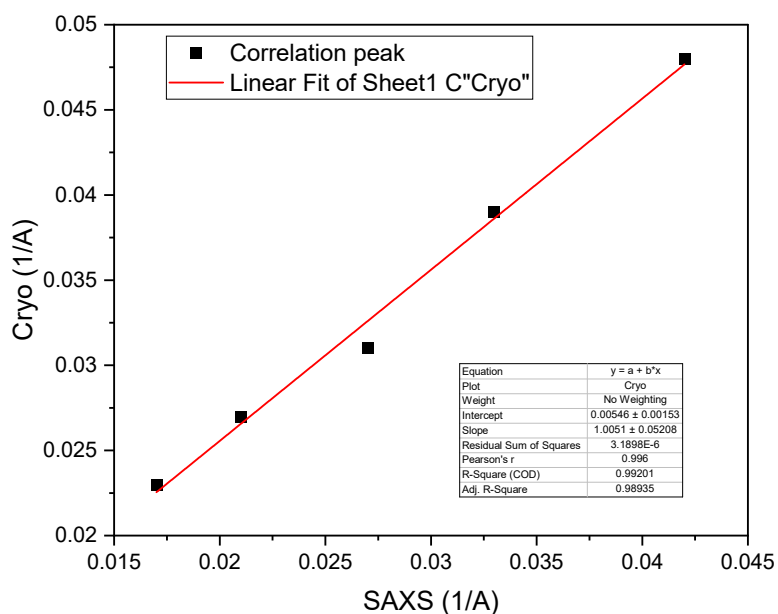


Figure S12. Plot of the correlation peaks (maxima obtained from $S(q)$ vs q) from SAXS measurements against those calculated from cryoET data for NP1 dispersed in water by a concentration range from 5 mg/ml to 80 mg/ml. The data, represented as black squares, is fitted to a linear function. The slope found is close to 1. The small value of intercept at the y-axis is used as a constant to shift the $S(q)$ calculated from CryoET for the whole range of concentration.

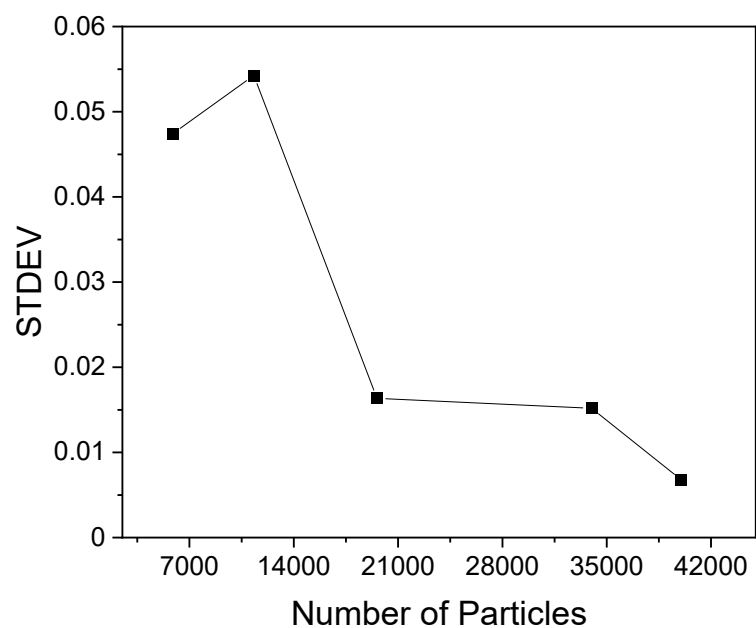


Figure S113. Noise analysis on the $g(r)$ for NP1 dispersed in water.

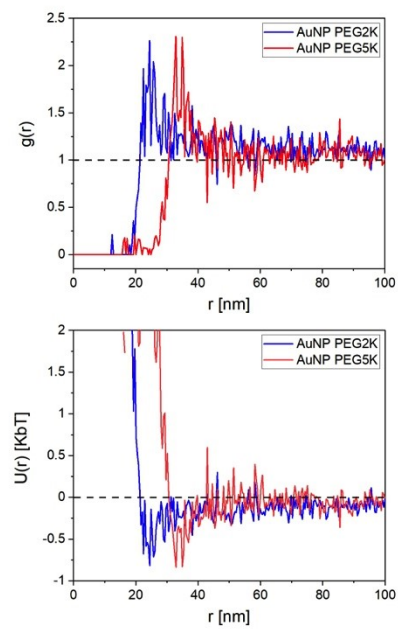


Figure S114. $g(r)$ and $U(r)$ for NP4 and NP5 calculated for one tomogram for each particle.

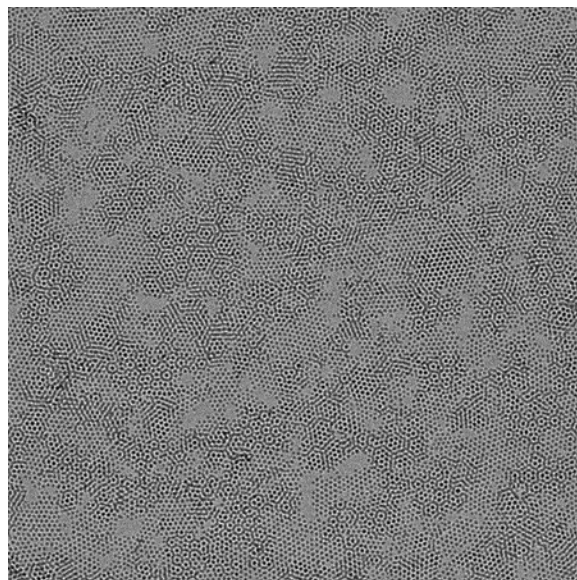


Figure SI15. 2D cryo-TEM image of NP2 at high salt concentration NaCl 150 mM showing extended aggregation.

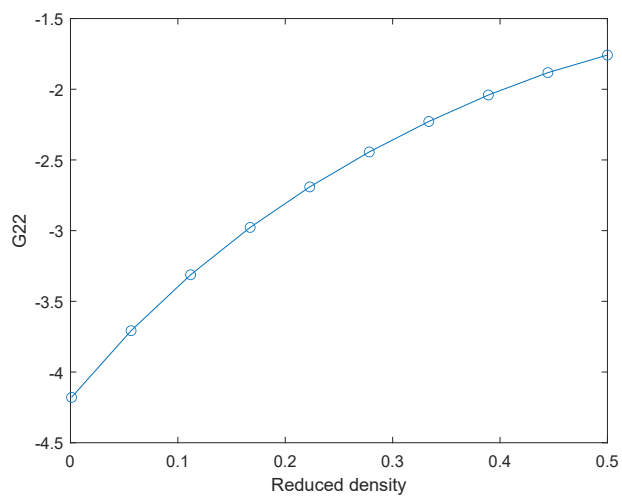


Figure SI16. Plot of theoretical G_{22} calculated as a function of density for hard spheres.

AUC analysis of NP3 particles for aggregation states						
S [Svd]	92	138	186	235	285	336
Normalized S	1	1.5	2.0	2.5	3	3.6
Agglomerate	Monomer	Dimer	Trimer	Tetramer	NA	NA

Figure SI17. Attribution of the aggregation states to the peaks observed in AUC -SV C(s).

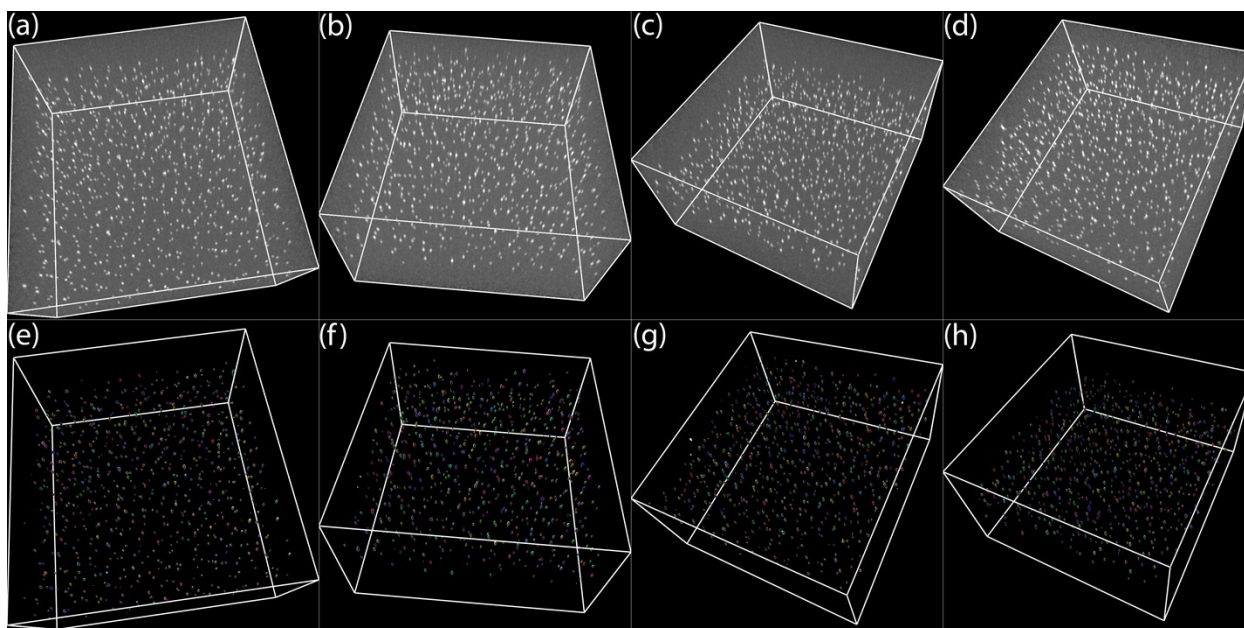


Figure S118. (top row) examples of tomograms of sample NP2 at 5 mg/ml and (bottom row) the identification of particles from their tomograms.

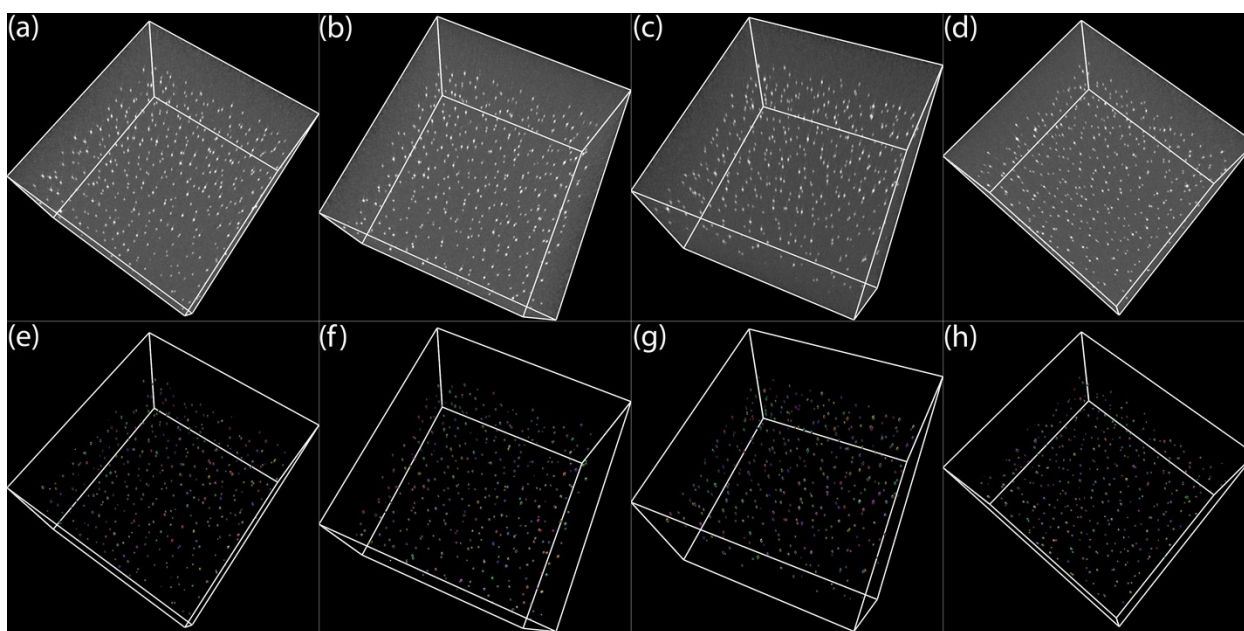


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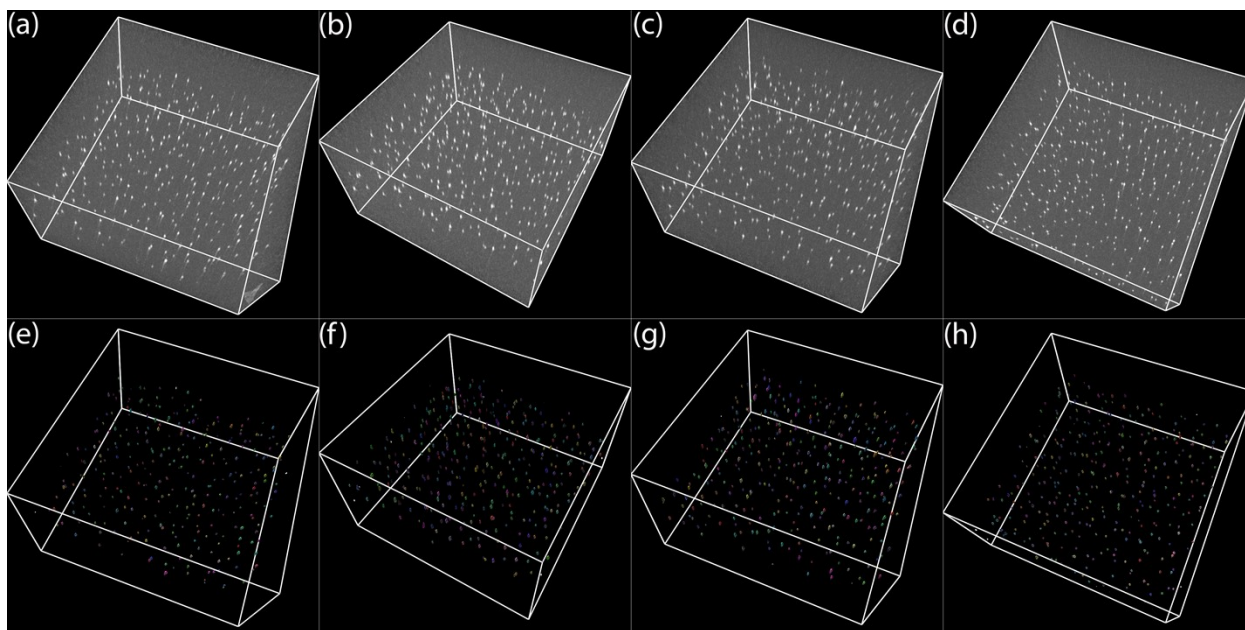


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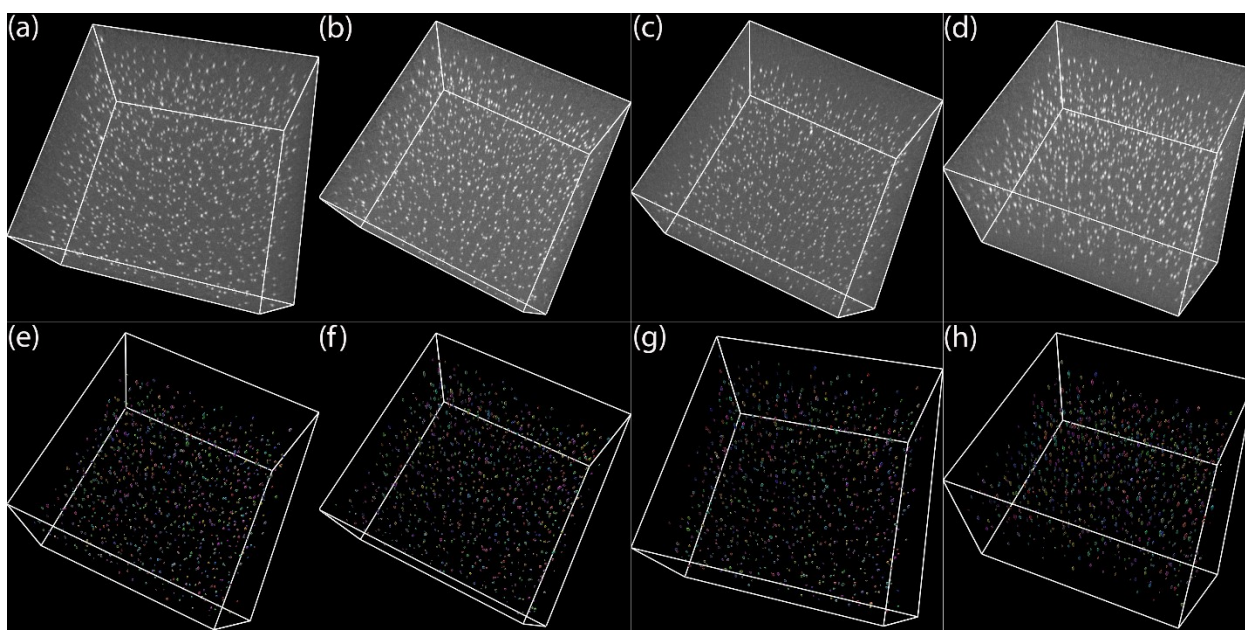


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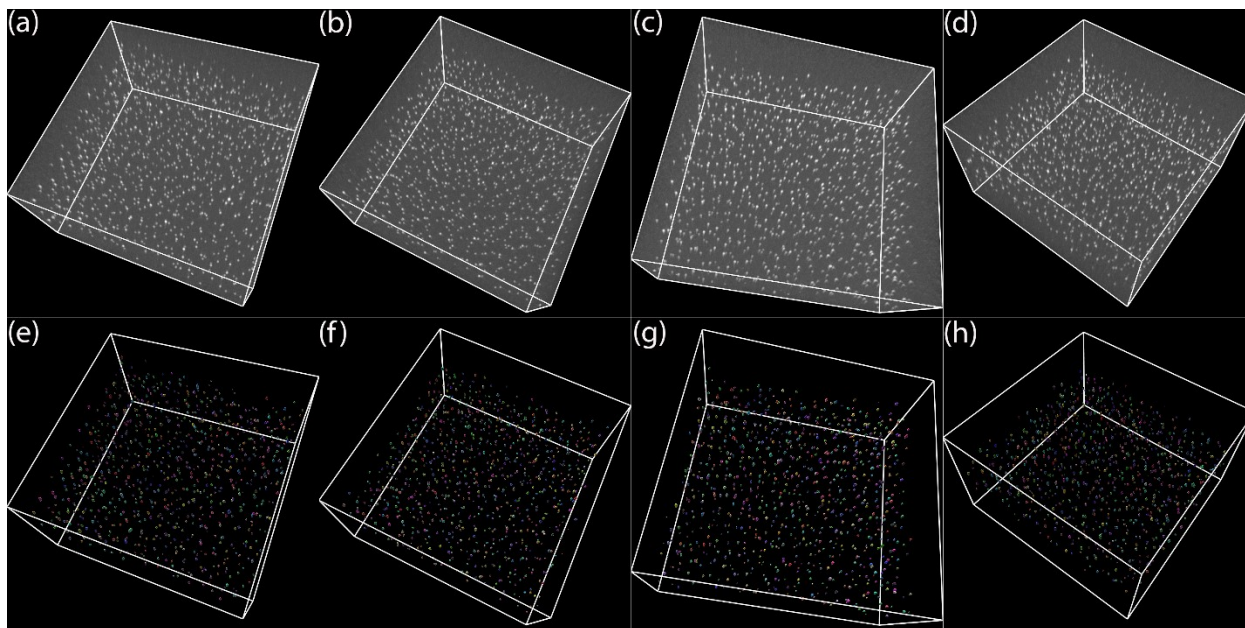


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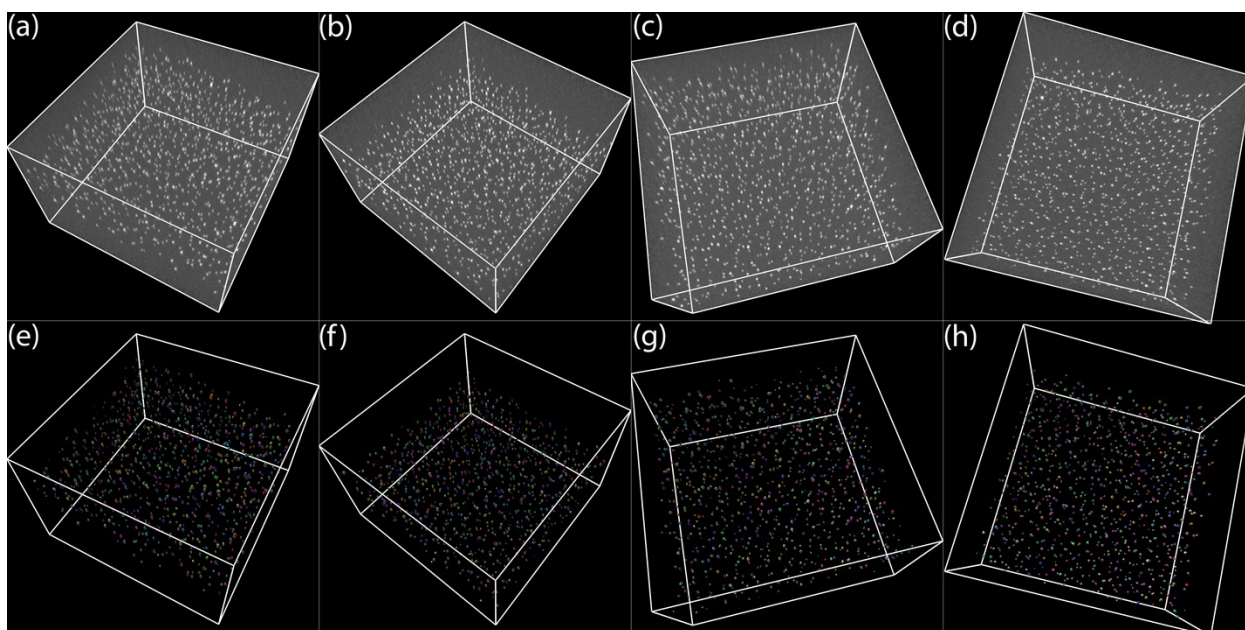


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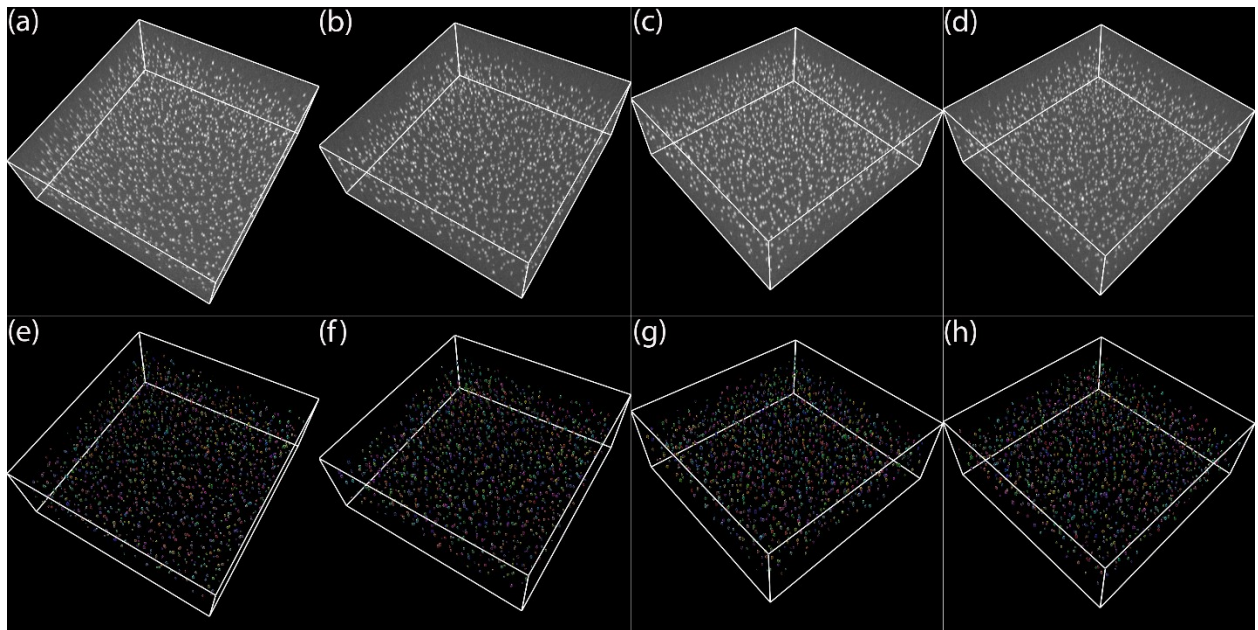


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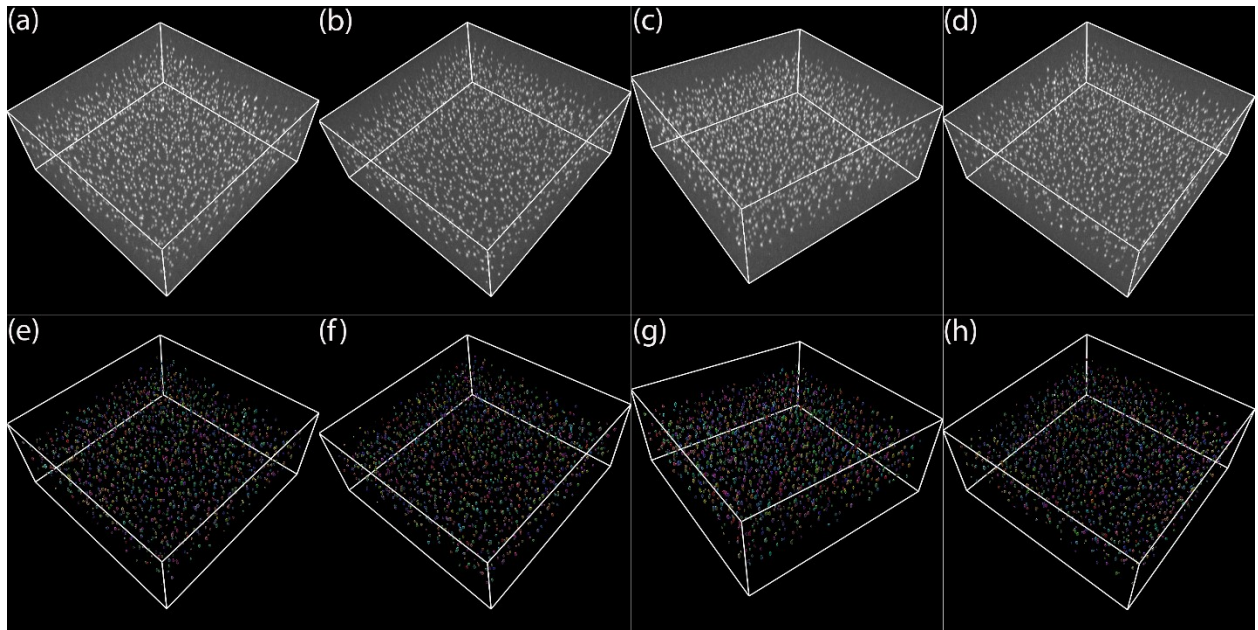


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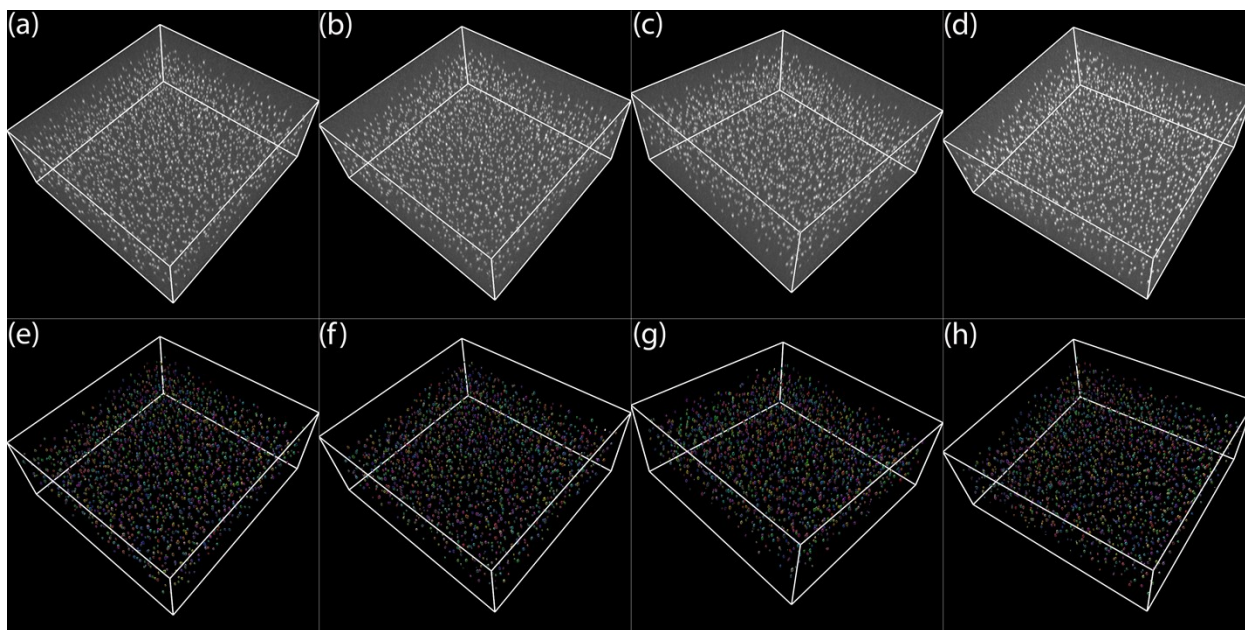


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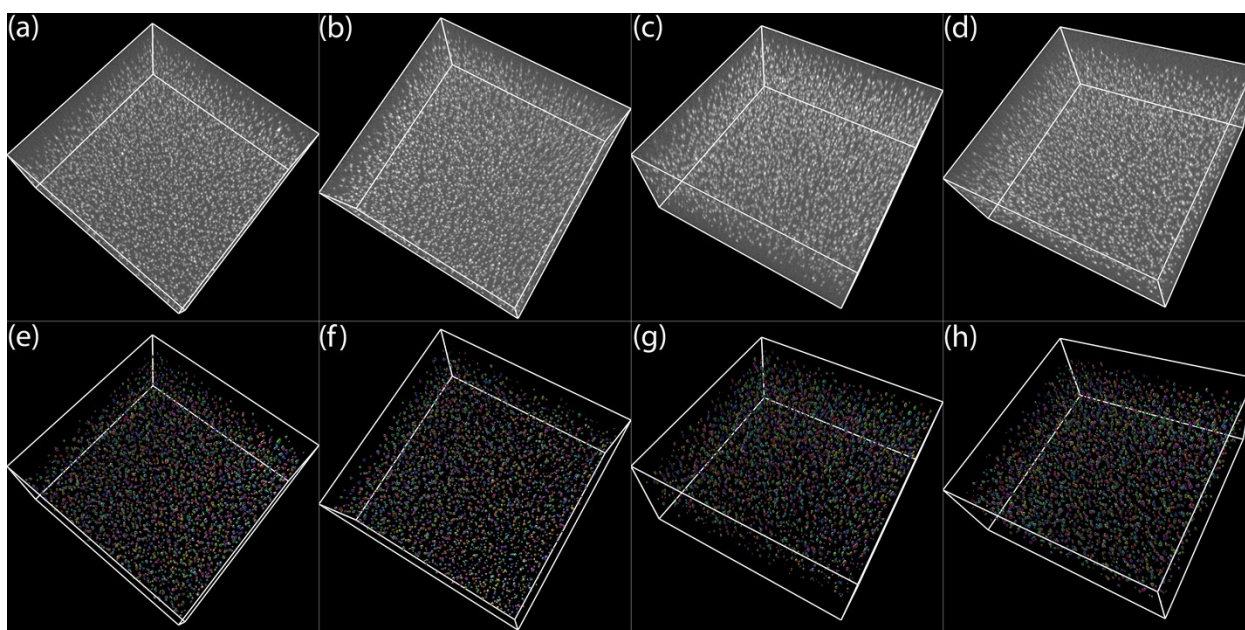


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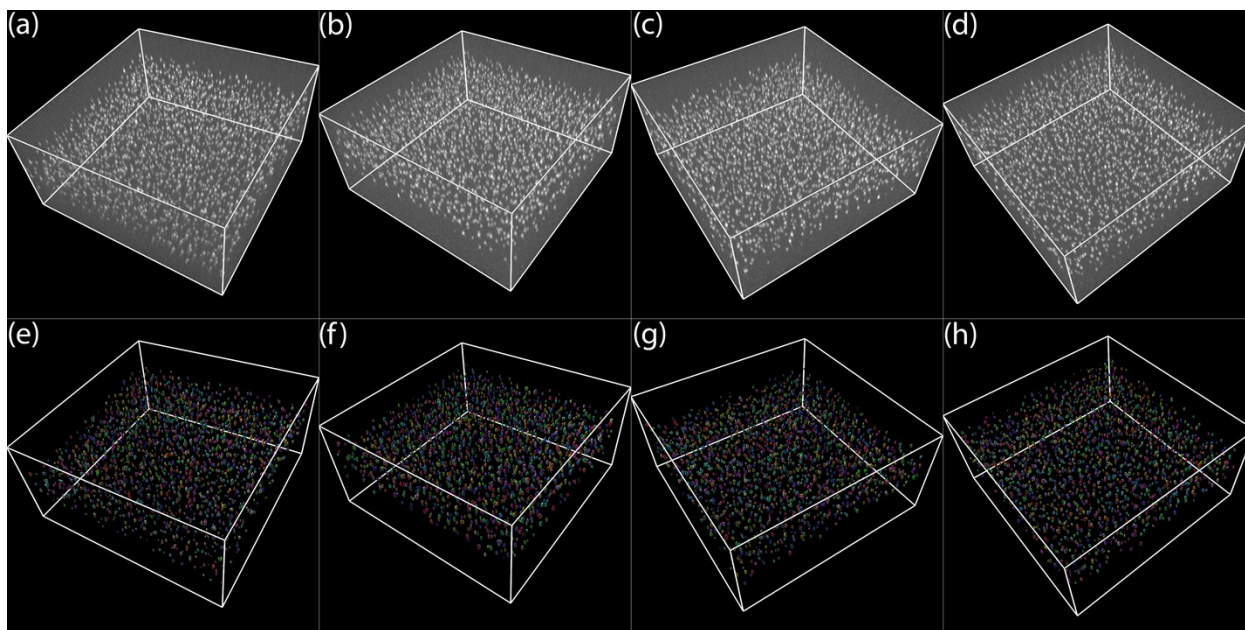


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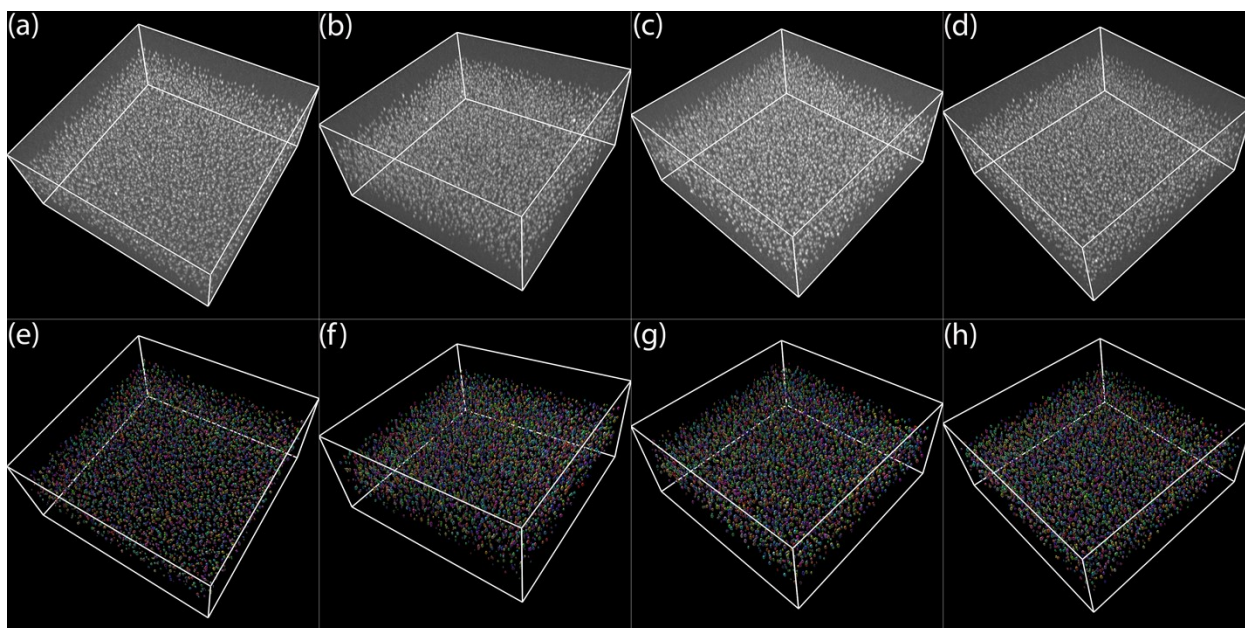


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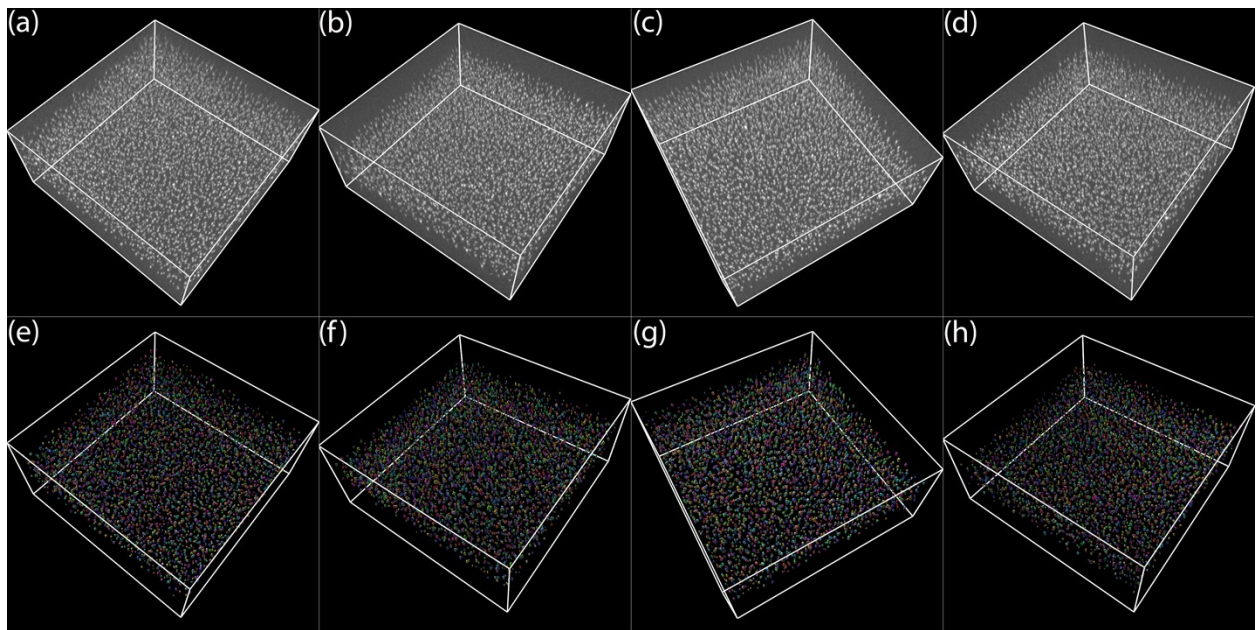


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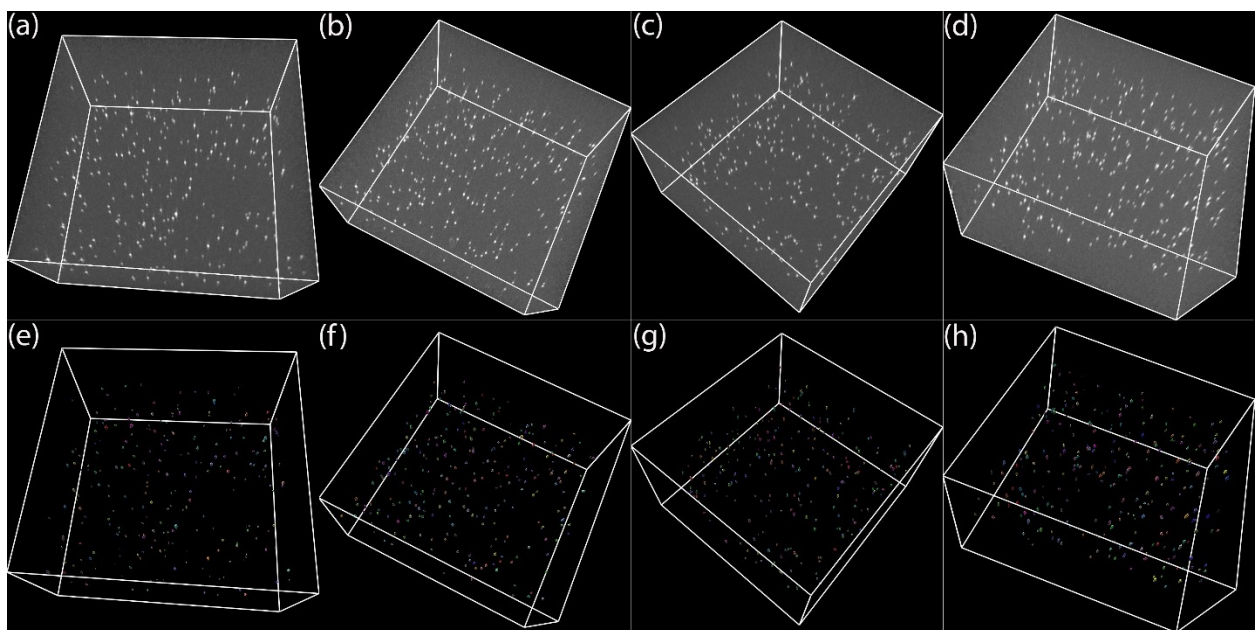


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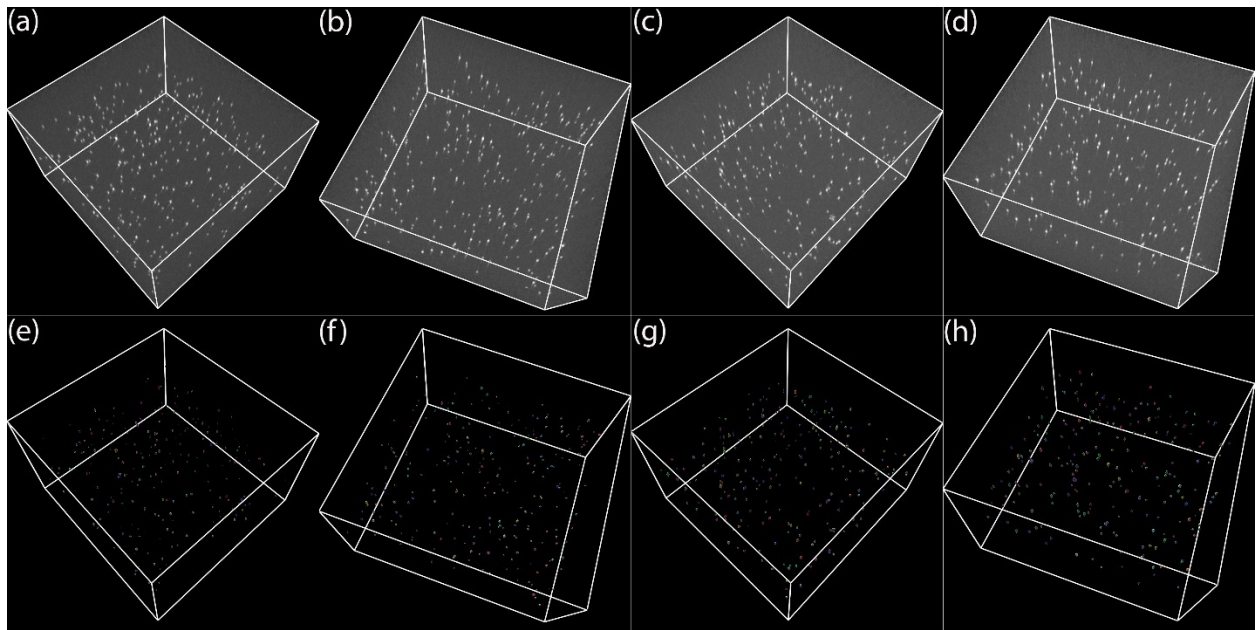


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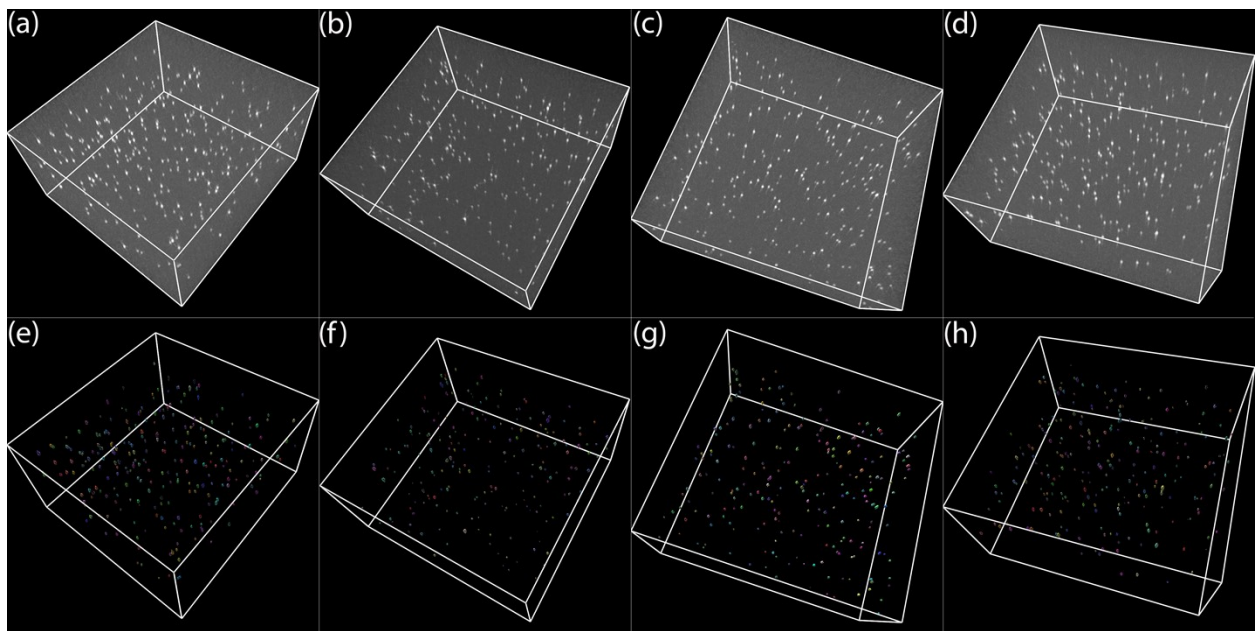


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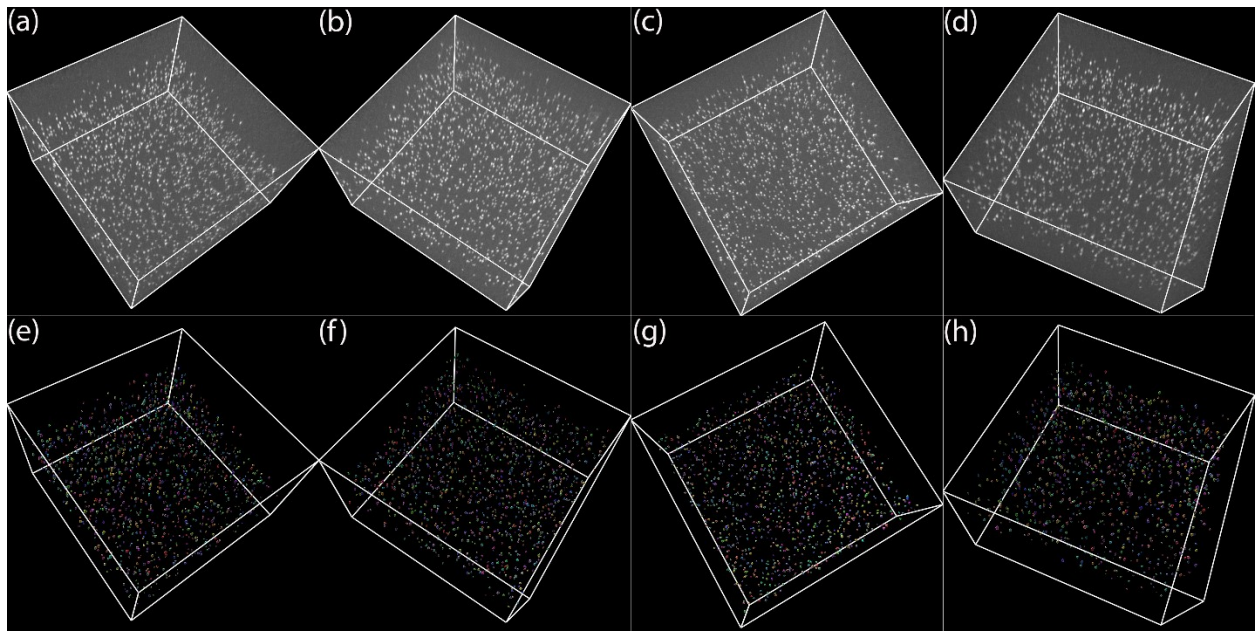


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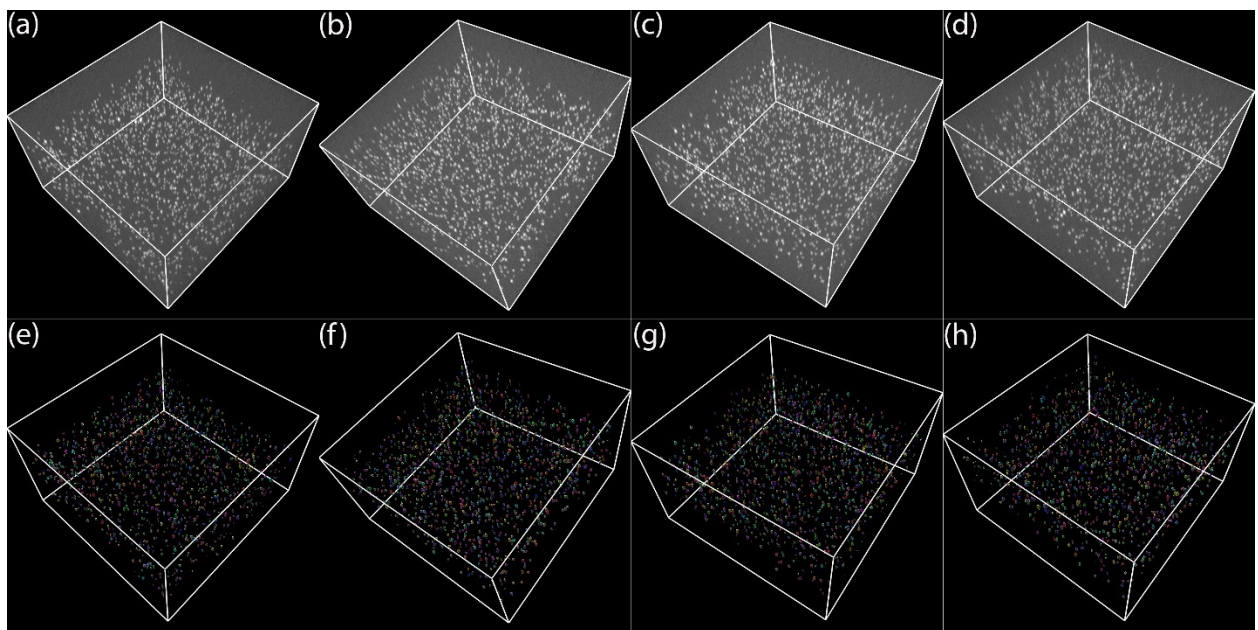


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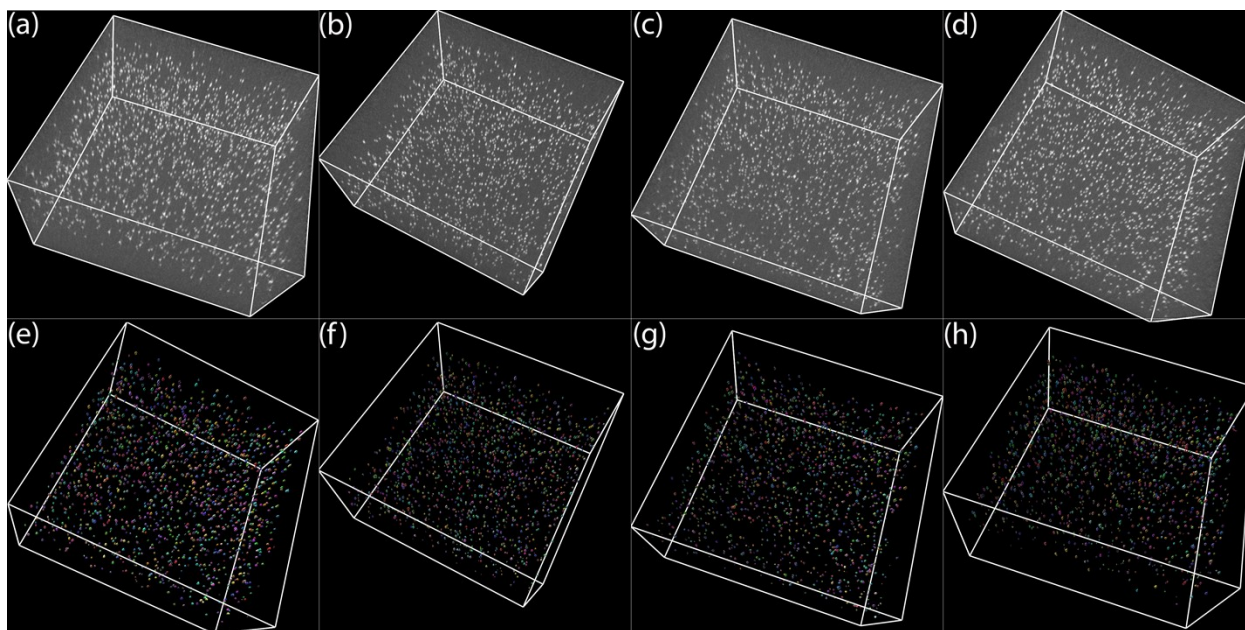


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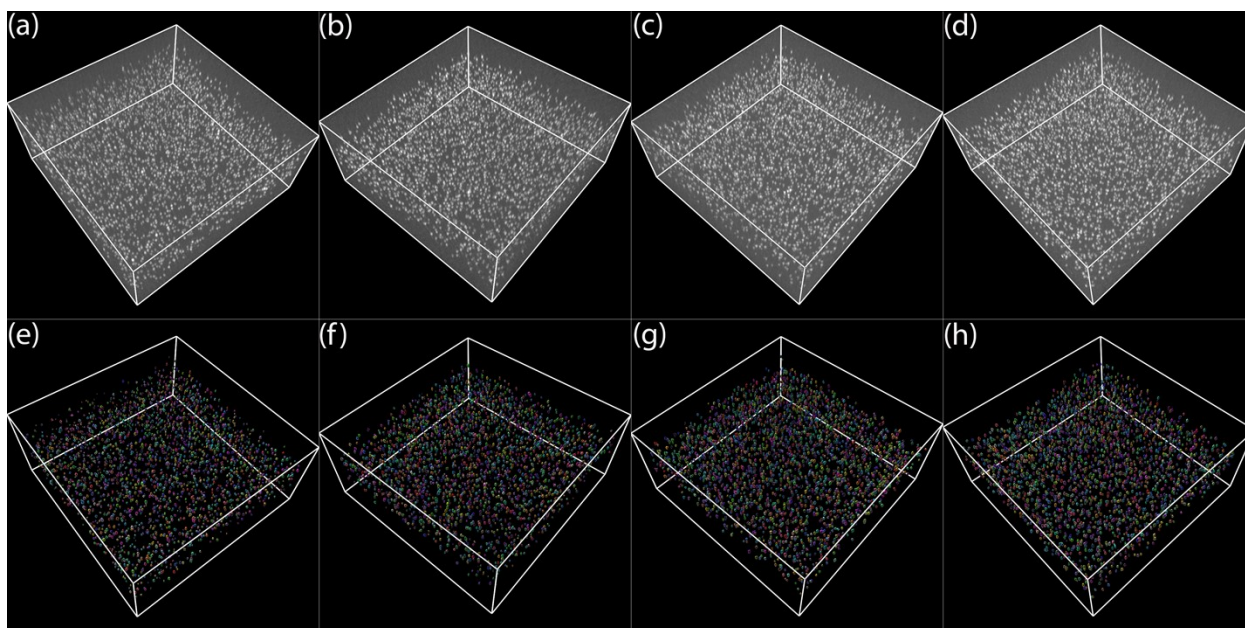


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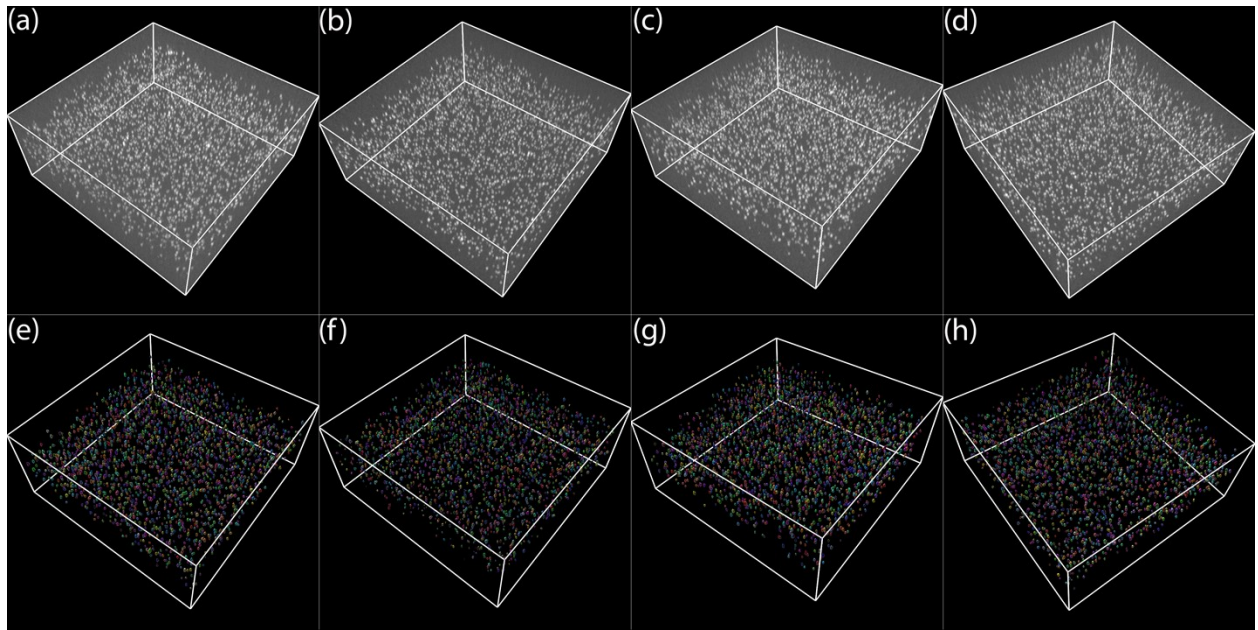


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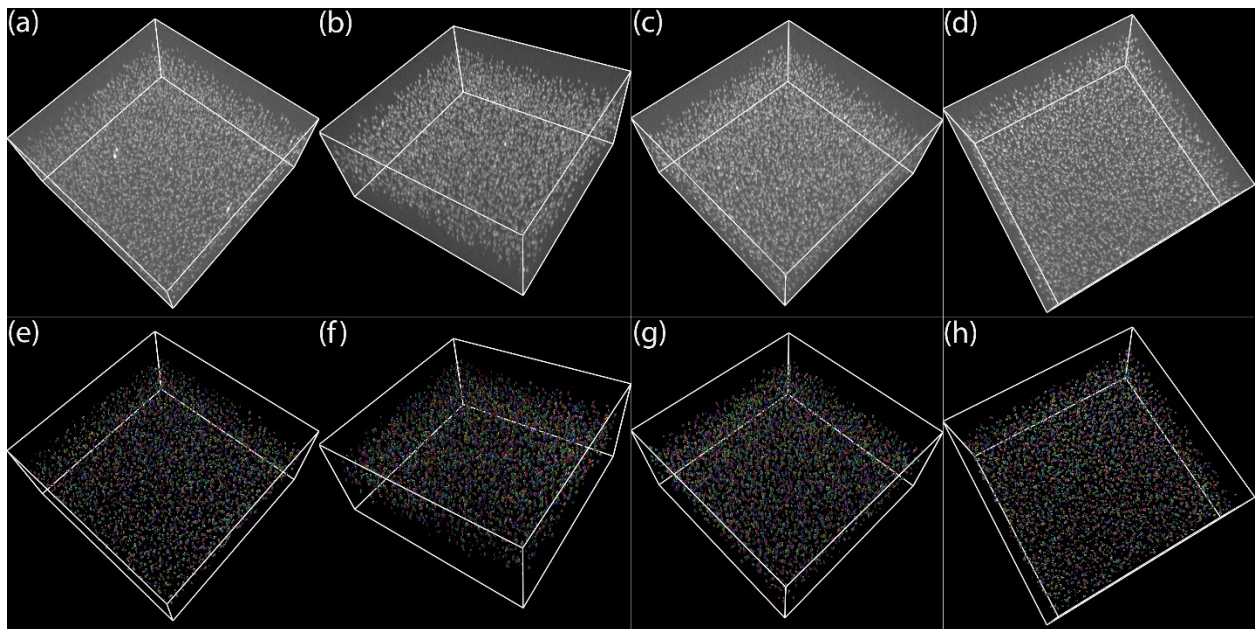


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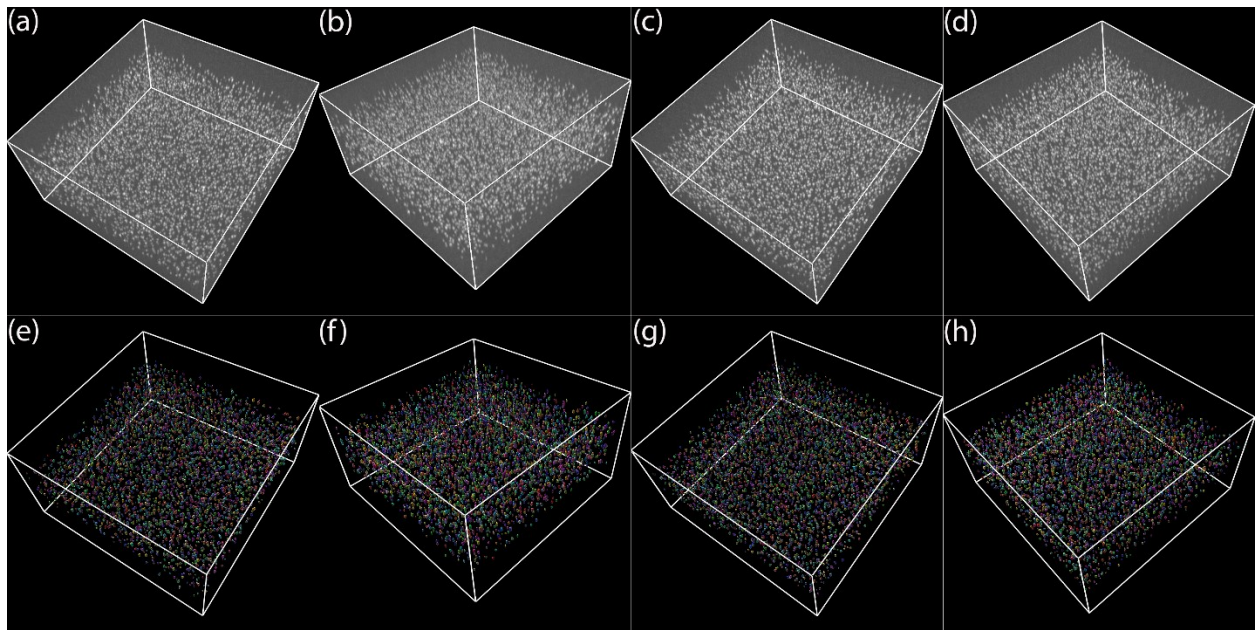


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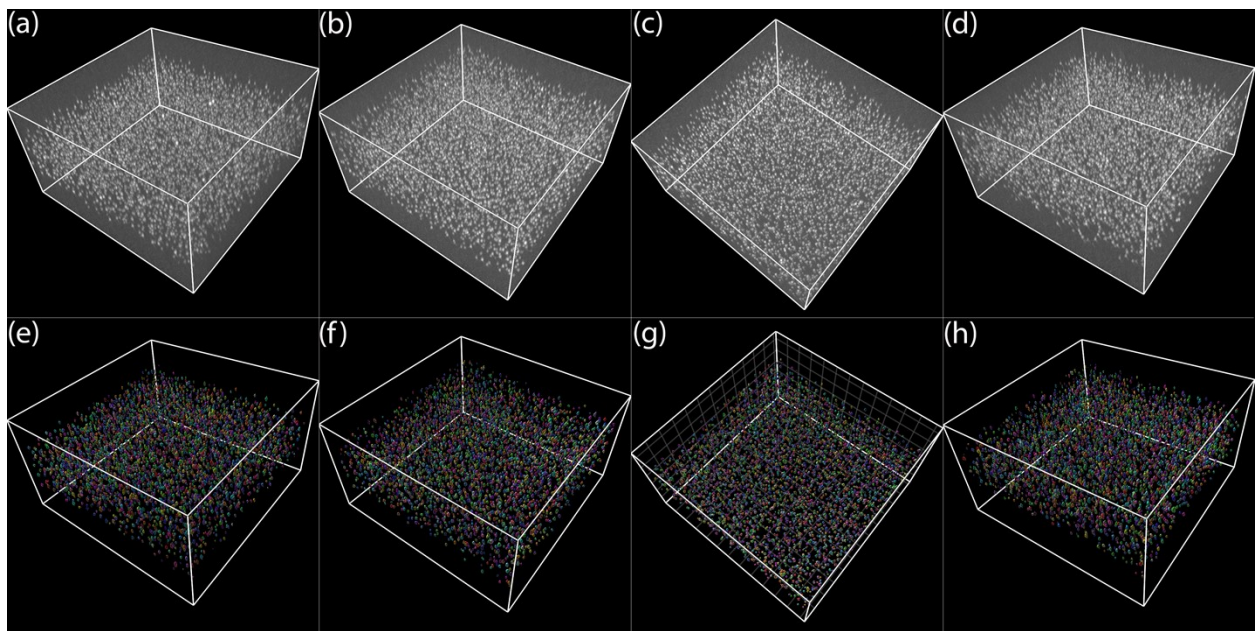


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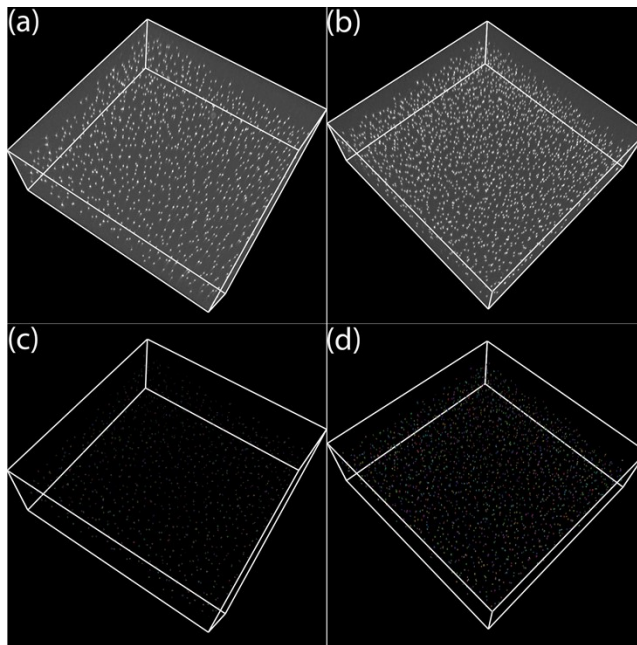


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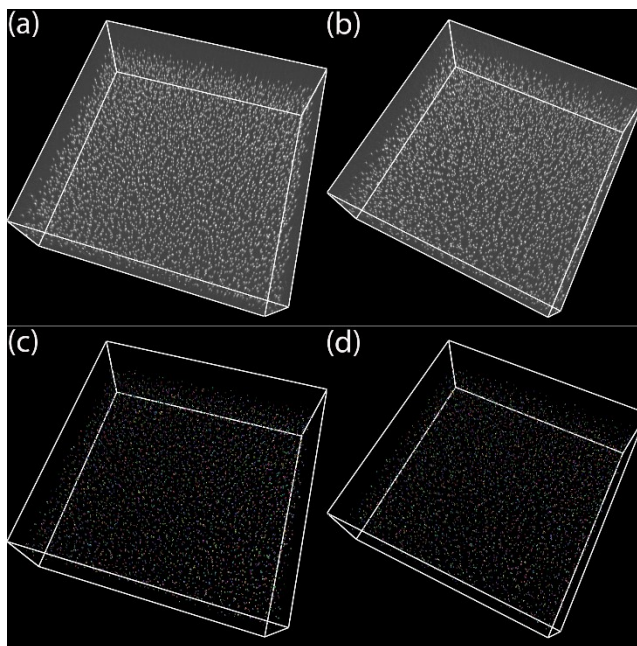


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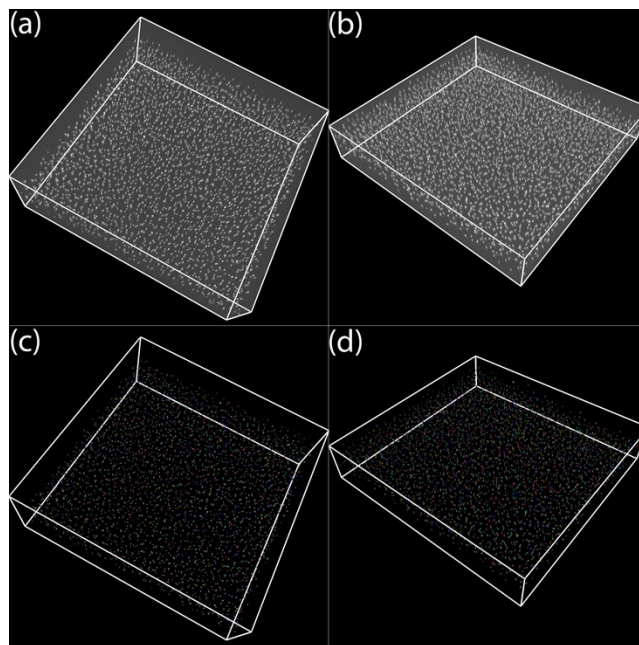


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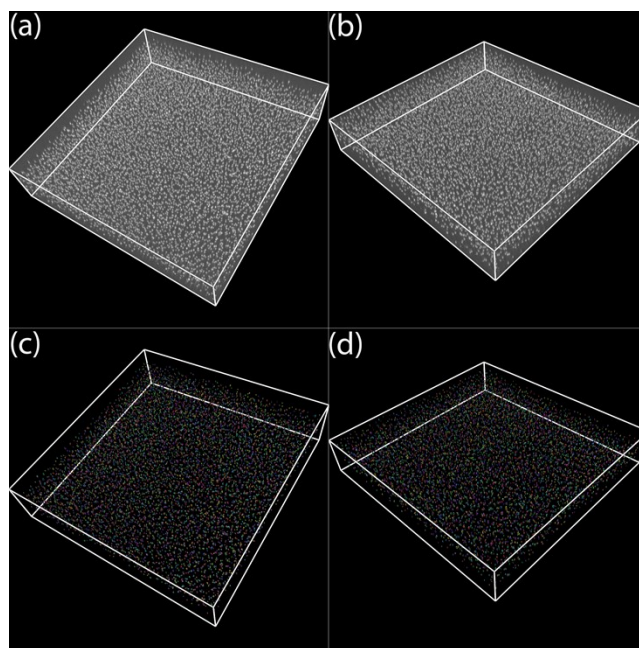


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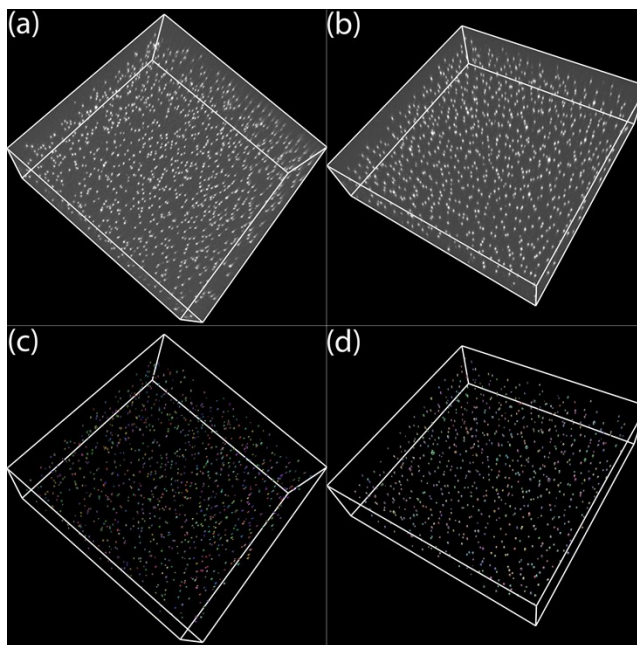


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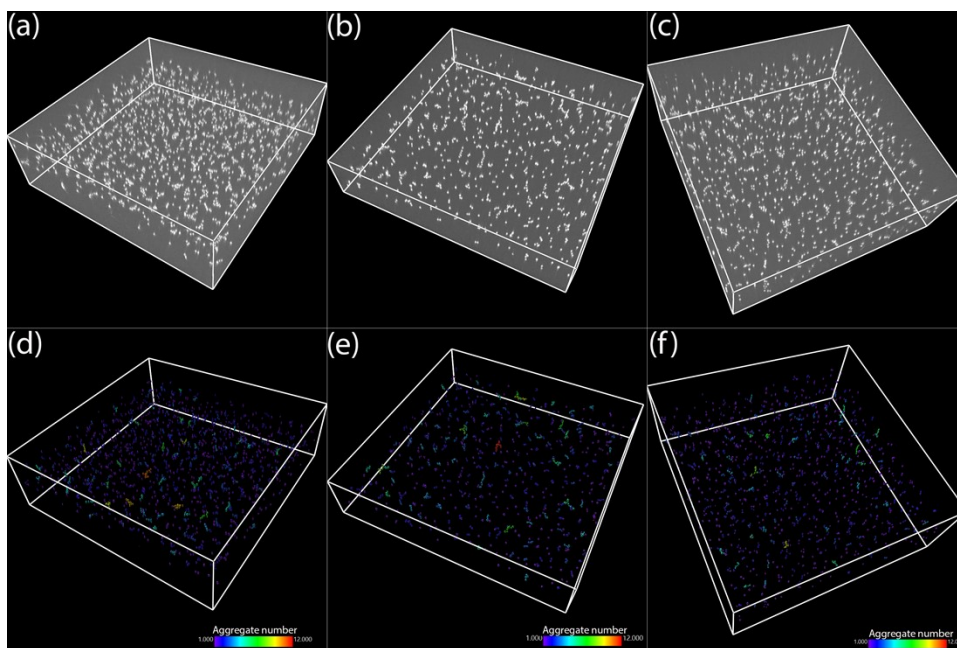


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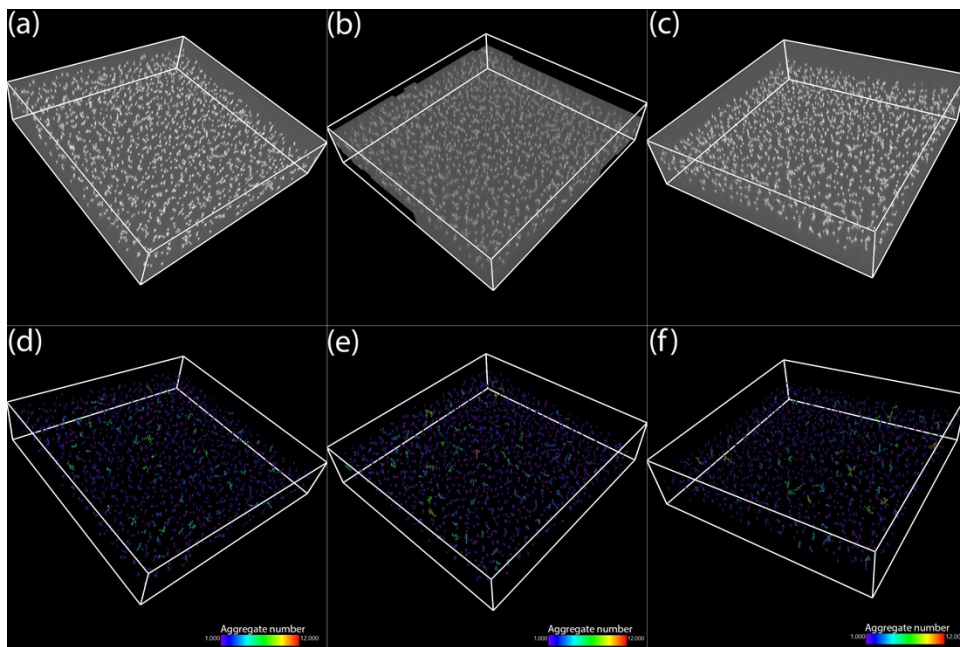


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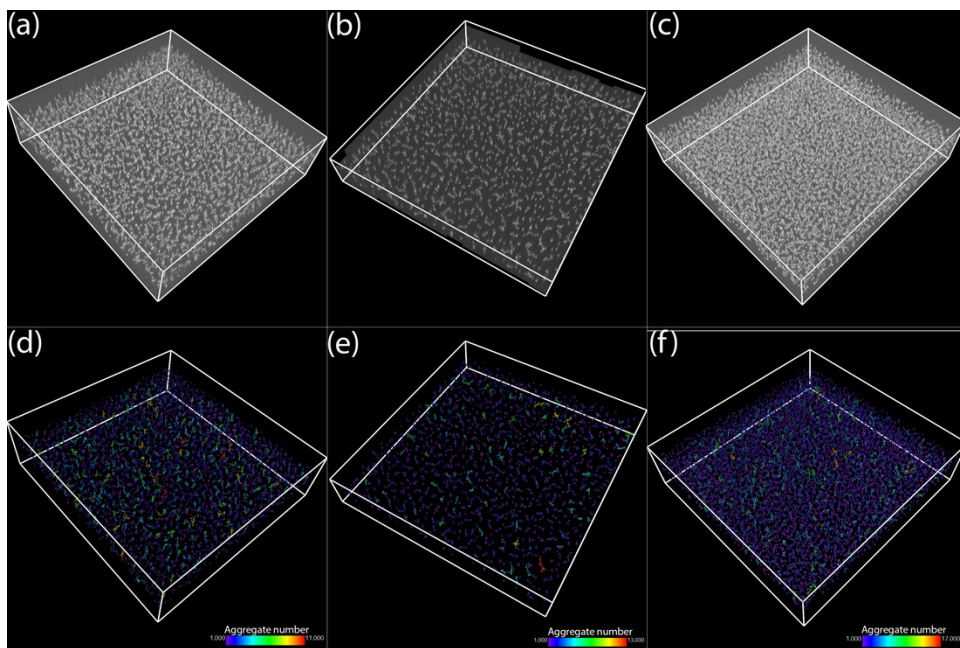


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