# HyD Detectors (in place of PMT2 and PMT4)

<u>When to use HyD Detectors</u>? If your sample is very dim, you may want to use HyD detector to collect your signal.

**Do not use high laser with HyD detector:** use as low laser as possible (1%-max 20%)

# PMT 2 and PMT 4 are now replaced by HyD detectors which provides:

- Large Dynamic range
- Improved cell viability
- High speed Imaging
- Single photon counting
- Low dark noise
- Exquisite contrast

# **ADJUSTING THE PARAMETERS FOR HyD's**

#### Gain adjustment: can go from 0-500

Increase "Smart gain" until just a few single blue dots appear (saturated pixels=value 255). **Offset adjustment:** 

Sets automatically in HyD

### Leica HyD has 3 modes of collection:

- 1) Standard mode (most commonly used)
- 2) BrightR (rarely used, non-linear gain applied to structure, non-quantitative)
- 3) Photon Counting Mode (good for quantitative imaging; works best with dim sample)

### For more information you can also check this website on HyD.

http://www.leicamicrosystems.com/fileadmin/downloads/Leica%20HyD/Brochures/Leica%20HyD-Brochure\_EN.pdf

If you need help in making your instrumental parameter settings on Confocal, contact <a href="mailto:pcic@cornell.edu">pcic@cornell.edu</a>