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## Speckle statistics of biological tissues in optical coherence tomography: supplement

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Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.23	0.964			38823	
	ĥ	3.54					
Rayleigh			0	-3806	<1e-6	46432	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.92	0.449	-396	<1e-6	39614	best model.
Gamma	â	2.30	0.762	-337	<1e-6	39499	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.82					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	đ	1.51	0.909			19255	
	ĥ	3.54					
Rayleigh			0	-22768	<1e-6	64787	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.92	0.428	-3143	<1e-6	25540	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.30	0.720	-3511	<1e-6	26278	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.82					

Table S1. Parameters and statistics for the 5% gelatin phantom without milk.



**Fig. S2.** 5% gelatin phantom with milk scanned with 500 A-lines. **(a)** Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. **(b)** ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. **(c)** MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(d)** Same as part (c) except on a loglog scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. **(e)** MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. **(f)** Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.96	0.958			222575	
	ĥ	5.83					
Rayleigh			0.033	-4287	<1e-6	231145	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	3.95	0.924	-138	<1e-6	222850	best model.
Gamma	â	2.67	0.841	-476	<1e-6	223528	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.11					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	3.83	0.869			20250	
	ĥ	5.83					
Rayleigh			0.002	-12798	<1e-6	45842	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	3.95	0.738	-2164	<1e-6	24577	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.67	0.095	-1052	<1e-6	22355	
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Table S2. Parameters and statistics for the 5% gelatin phantom with milk.



**Fig. S3.** Mouse brain with cranial window scanned with 500 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered Bmode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a loglog scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	2.01	0.949			91077	
	ĥ	6.06					
Rayleigh			0.075	-1622	<1e-6	94317	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	4.18	0.929	-67	<1e-6	91210	best model.
Gamma	â	2.68	0.816	-268	<1e-6	91614	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.12					
Intensity	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS	LRT R	LRT	AIC	Interpretation
Distribution			<i>p</i> -value		<i>p</i> -value		1
Distribution Lomax	â	4.06	<i>p</i> -value 0.851		<i>p</i> -value	16400	<b>.</b>
Distribution Lomax	d b	4.06 6.06	<i>p</i> -value 0.851		<i>p</i> -value	16400	
Distribution Lomax Rayleigh	d b	4.06 6.06	<i>p</i> -value 0.851 0.036	-6280	<i>p</i> -value	16400 28956	KS, LRT, and AIC
Distribution Lomax Rayleigh K	d b â	4.06 6.06 4.18	<i>p</i> -value 0.851 0.036 0.828	-6280 -995	<i>p</i> -value <1e-6 <1e-6	16400 28956 18389	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.
Distribution Lomax Rayleigh K Gamma	d b â â	4.06 6.06 4.18 2.68	<i>p</i> -value 0.851 0.036 0.828 0.662	-6280 -995 -253	<i>p</i> -value <1e-6 <1e-6 <1e-6	16400 28956 18389 16906	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.

Table S3. Parameters and statistics for the mouse brain with cranial window.



**Fig. S4**. Excised mouse liver in phosphate-buffered saline scanned with 1000 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.99	0.957			65863	
	ĥ	5.95					
Rayleigh			0.043	-1181	<1e-6	68220	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Burr is the
Κ	â	3.99	0.935	-19	0.091	65898	best model.
Gamma	â	2.66	0.879	-134	<1e-6	66131	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.10					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	3.96	0.841			19147	
	ĥ	5.95					
Rayleigh			0.004	-10424	<1e-6	39990	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	3.99	0.771	-1703	<1e-6	22551	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.66	0.223	-4703	<1e-6	24554	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.10					

Table S4. Parameters and statistics for the mouse liver.



**Fig. S5.** Excised pig brain (cortex) scanned with 100 A-lines. **(a)** Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. **(b)** ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. **(c)** MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(d)** Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. **(e)** MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. **(f)** Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	đ	1.98	0.892			9696	
	ĥ	5.91					
Rayleigh			0.013	-125	<1e-6	9941	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	3.57	0.943	30	<1e-6	9635	best model.
Gamma	â	2.58	0.913	10	0.15	9676	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.01					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	3.94	0.886			8824	
	ĥ	5.91					
Rayleigh			0.005	-812	<1e-6	10444	KS, LRT, and AIC
К							
	â	3.57	0.925	55	0.024	8575	best model.
Gamma	â â	3.57 2.58	0.925 0.921	55 12	0.024 <1e-6	8575 8834	best model.

Table S5. Parameters and	d statistics	for the	pig	brain.
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**Fig. S6.** Pig cornea scanned with 1000 A-lines. **(a)** Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. **(b)** ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. **(c)** MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(d)** Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. **(e)** MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(f)** Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	đ	1.03	0.958			134916	
	ĥ	3.02					
Rayleigh			0	-15291	<1e-6	165495	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.55	0.391	-963	<1e-6	136840	best model.
Gamma	â	2.10	0.626	-862	<1e-6	136641	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.62					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	đ	1.06	0.944			20650	
	ĥ	3.02					
Rayleigh			0	-41343	<1e-6	103331	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.55	0.432	-5272	<1e-6	31193	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.10	0.697	-5984	<1e-6	32619	
	β	2.62					

## Table S6. Parameters and statistics for the pig cornea.



**Fig. S7.** Excised chicken muscle scanned with 100 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.61	0.952			30196	
	ĥ	4.59					
Rayleigh			0.001	-1215	<1e-6	32621	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	2.83	0.884	-73	0.00023	30340	best model.
Gamma	â	2.53	0.899	-59	0.00077	30314	
	$\hat{eta}$	3.00					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	2.58	0.907			22988	
	ĥ	4.59					
Rayleigh			0	-28483	<1e-6	79951	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	2.83	0.845	-4438	<1e-6	31863	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.53	0.876	-3718	<1e-6	30425	

 Table S7. Parameters and statistics for the chicken muscle.



**Fig. S8.** Human hand (palm) scanned with 1000 A-lines. **(a)** Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. **(b)** ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. **(c)** MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(d)** Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. **(e)** MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. **(f)** Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	đ	1.06	0.894			157194	
	ĥ	3.12					
Rayleigh			0	-20295	<1e-6	197781	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.59	0.129	-1673	<1e-6	160539	best model.
Gamma	â	2.14	0.438	-1496	<1e-6	160186	
	β	2.69					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	1.13	0.913			33113	
	ĥ	3.12					
Rayleigh			0	-355891	<1e-6	744890	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.59	0.215	-27534	<1e-6	88178	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.14	0.529	-30650	<1e-6	94412	
	β	2.69					

Table S8. Parameters and statistics for the human hand's palm.



**Fig. S9.** Human hand (back) scanned with 1000 A-lines. **(a)** Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. **(b)** ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. **(c)** MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. **(d)** Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. **(e)** MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with logarithmic binning. **(f)** Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.03	0.947			58852	
	ĥ	2.99					
Rayleigh			0	-6090	<1e-6	71028	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.53	0.495	-225	<1e-6	59300	best model.
Gamma	â	2.08	0.730	-197	<1e-6	59246	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.58					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	1.00					
		1.06	0.863			15550	
	ĥ	1.06 2.99	0.863			15550	
Rayleigh	ĥ	2.99	0.863 0	-13406	<1e-6	15550 42358	KS, LRT, and AIC
Rayleigh K	b â	1.06 2.99 1.53	0.863 0 0.446	-13406 -1774	<1e-6 <1e-6	15550 42358 19098	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.
Rayleigh K Gamma	ĥ â â	1.08 2.99 1.53 2.08	0.863 0 0.446 0.516	-13406 -1774 -2087	<1e-6 <1e-6 <1e-6	15550 42358 19098 19726	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.

 Table S9. Parameters and statistics for the human hand's back.

Sample	Data	Metric	Burr / Lomax	Rayl. / Exp.	К	Gamma	Best Model
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.964</mark>	0	0.449	0.762	
	А	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Burr
5% Gel. Phantom		AIC	<mark>38823</mark>	46432	39614	39499	
(- Milk)		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.909</mark>	0	0.428	0.720	
	Ι	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>19255</mark>	64787	25540	26278	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.958</mark>	0.033	0.924	0.841	
	Α	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Burr
5% Gel. Phantom		AIC	<mark>222575</mark>	231145	222850	223528	
(+ Milk)		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.869</mark>	0.002	0.738	0.095	
	Ι	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>20250</mark>	45842	24577	22355	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.949</mark>	0.075	0.929	0.816	
	А	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Burr
Mouse		AIC	<mark>91077</mark>	94317	91210	91614	
Brain		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.851</mark>	0.036	0.828	0.662	
	Ι	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>16400</mark>	28956	18389	16906	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.957</mark>	0.043	0.935	0.879	
	A	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Burr
N	21	LRT <i>p</i> -value		<1e-6	0.091	<1e-6	
Mouse Liver		AIC	<mark>65863</mark>	68220	65898	66131	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.841</mark>	0.004	0.771	0.223	
	Ι	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>19147</mark>	39990	22551	24554	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	0.892	0.013	<mark>0.943</mark>	0.913	
	A	LRT sign $(R)$		-	+	+	Κ
	21	LRT <i>p</i> -value		<1e-6	<1e-6	0.15	
Pig Brain		AIC	9696	9941	<mark>9635</mark>	9676	
1 16 Dram		KS <i>p</i> -value	0.886	0.005	<mark>0.925</mark>	0.921	
	I	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	+	+	К
	1	LRT <i>p</i> -value		<1e-6	0.024	<1e-6	
		AIC	8824	10444	<mark>8575</mark>	8834	

**Table S10.** Summary table of all statistical tests and measures for all tissue samples in order to determine the best distribution. Largest KS *p*-values and smallest AIC value are high-lighted in yellow. Rows for LRT *p*-values are not shown if all three values were <1e-3. *A* - Amplitude, *I* - Intensity.

		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.958</mark>	0	0.391	0.626	
	Α	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Burr
Pig		AIC	<mark>134916</mark>	165495	136840	136641	
Cornea		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.944</mark>	0	0.432	0.697	
Ι	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Lomax	
		AIC	<mark>20650</mark>	103331	31193	32619	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.952</mark>	0.001	0.884	0.899	
	Α	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Burr
Chicken		AIC	<mark>30196</mark>	32621	30340	30314	
Muscle		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.907</mark>	0	0.845	0.876	
	Ι	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	AIC 22988 79951 31863		31863	30425	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.894</mark>	0	0.129	0.438	
	Α	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Burr
Human		AIC	<mark>157194</mark>	197781	160539	160186	
(Palm)		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.913</mark>	0	0.215	0.529	
	Ι	LRT sign( $R$ )		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>33113</mark>	744890	88178	94412	
		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.947</mark>	0	0.495	0.730	
	Α	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Burr
Human		AIC	<mark>58852</mark>	71028	59300	59246	
Hand (Back)		KS <i>p</i> -value	<mark>0.863</mark>	0	0.446	0.516	
	Ι	LRT sign $(R)$		-	-	-	Lomax
		AIC	<mark>15550</mark>	42358	19098	19726	



The following three datasets examine the reproducibility of the method in different pig corneas.

**Fig. S10.** Extra pig cornea #1 with 500 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.00	0.926			86121	
	ĥ	2.96					
Rayleigh			0	-11014	<1e-6	108145	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Burr is the
Κ	â	1.48	0.314	-780	<1e-6	87679	best model.
Gamma	â	2.07	0.612	-716	<1e-6	87554	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.60					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	1.00	0.901			18922	
	ĥ	2.96					
Rayleigh			0	-29449	<1e-6	77816	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.48	0.350	-3771	<1e-6	26463	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.07	0.590	-4455	<1e-6	27832	

Table S11. Parameters and statistics for the extra pig cornea #1.



**Fig. S11.** Extra pig cornea #2 with 500 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.01	0.923			78120	
	ĥ	2.97					
Rayleigh			0	-9310	<1e-6	96736	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.50	0.338	-577	<1e-6	79271	best model.
Gamma	â	2.07	0.613	-525	<1e-6	79171	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.60					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	1.02	0.912			19575	
	ĥ	2.97					
Rayleigh			0	-33967	<1e-6	87508	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.50	0.379	-4386	<1e-6	28346	the best model.
Gamma	â	2.07	0.577	-5034	<1e-6	29643	

Table S12. Parameters and statistics for the extra pig cornea #2.



**Fig. S12.** Extra pig cornea #3 with 500 A-lines. (a) Single unfiltered B-mode image with ROI shaded green. (b) ROI's normalized spatial integration profiles which do not exceed a  $\Delta$  of 50%. (c) MLE fits to normalized amplitude with the Burr, Rayleigh, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (d) Same as part (c) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail. (e) MLE fits to normalized intensity with the Lomax, Exponential, K, and Gamma distributions on a linear scale with linear binning. (f) Same as part (e) except on a log-log scale with logarithmic binning to visualize tail.

Amplitude Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p-</i> value	LRT R	LRT <i>p-</i> value	AIC	Interpretation
Burr	â	1.04	0.937			54387	
	ĥ	3.04					
Rayleigh			0	-6015	<1e-6	66412	KS, LRT, and AIC
Κ	â	1.57	0.413	-395	<1e-6	55174	best model.
Gamma	â	2.12	0.685	-352	<1e-6	55090	
	$\hat{eta}$	2.64					
Intensity Distribution	θ	$\hat{ heta}$	KS <i>p</i> -value	LRT R	LRT <i>p</i> -value	AIC	Interpretation
Lomax	â	1.09	0.931			16698	
	ĥ	3.04					
Rayleigh			0	-17129	<1e-6	50951	KS, LRT, and AIC
Rayleigh K	â	1.57	0 0.453	-17129 -2300	<1e-6 <1e-6	50951 21298	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.
Rayleigh K Gamma	â â	1.57 2.12	0 0.453 0.598	-17129 -2300 -2717	<1e-6 <1e-6 <1e-6	50951 21298 22133	KS, LRT, and AIC indicate Lomax is the best model.

Table S13. Parameters and statistics for the extra pig cornea #3.

Sample	ĥ	95% Confidence Interval
Pig Cornea #1	2.96	[2.92, 3.01]
Pig Cornea #2	2.97	[2.92, 3.02]
Pig Cornea #3	3.04	[2.98, 3.10]

**Table S14.** Summary table of extra pig corneas to demonstrate reproducibility of estimating the exponent parameter  $\hat{b}$ .