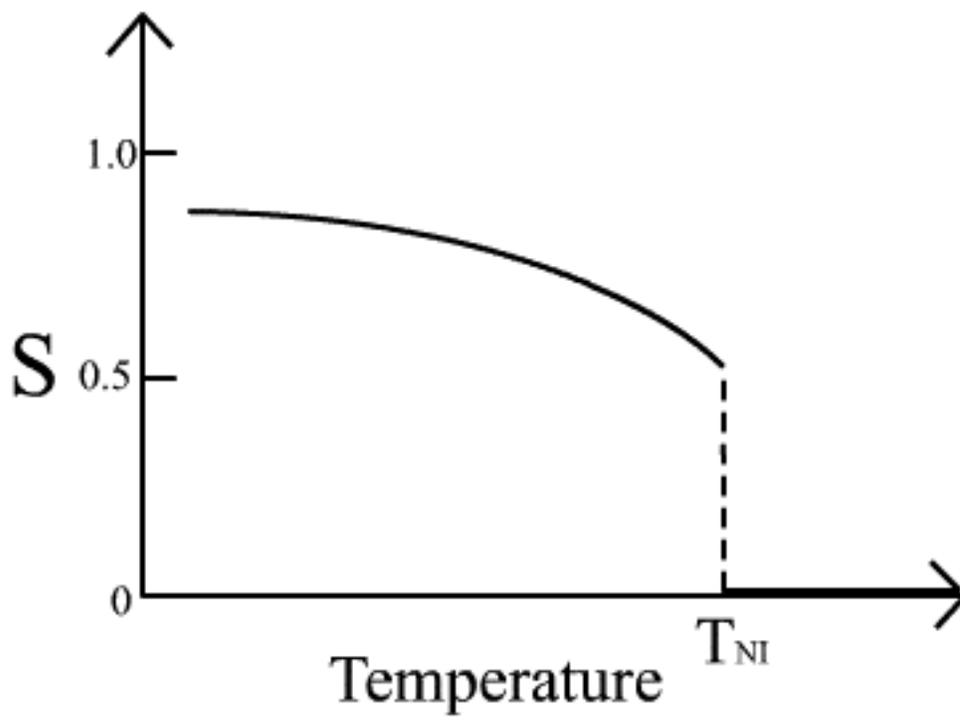
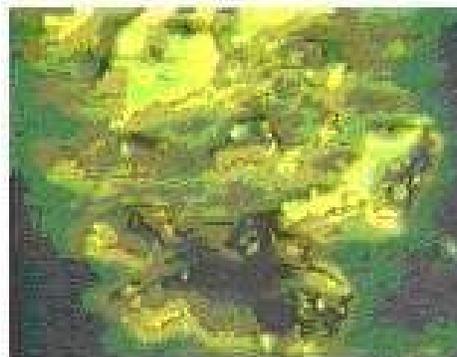
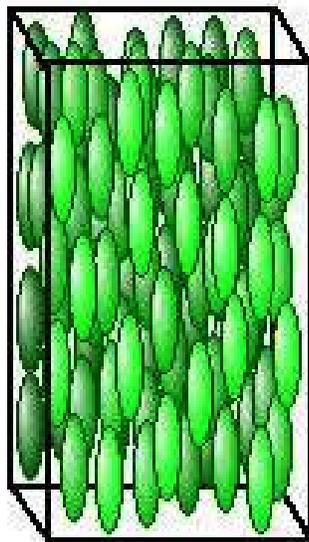


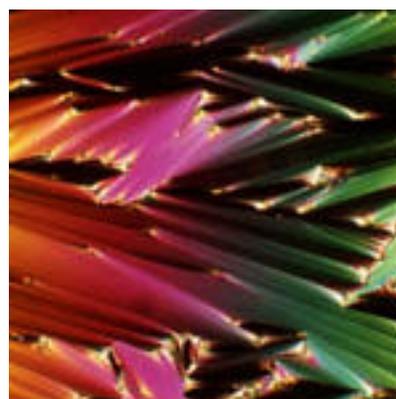
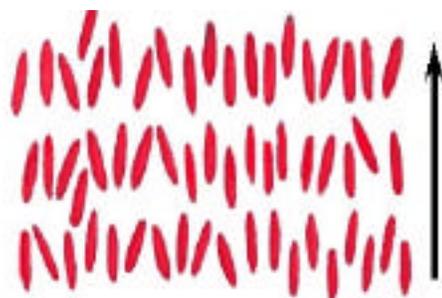
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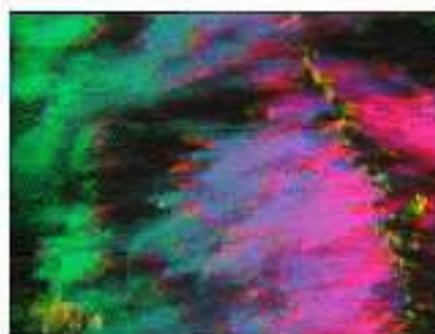


A schematic representation of the nematic phase (left) and a photo of a nematic liquid crystal (above).

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