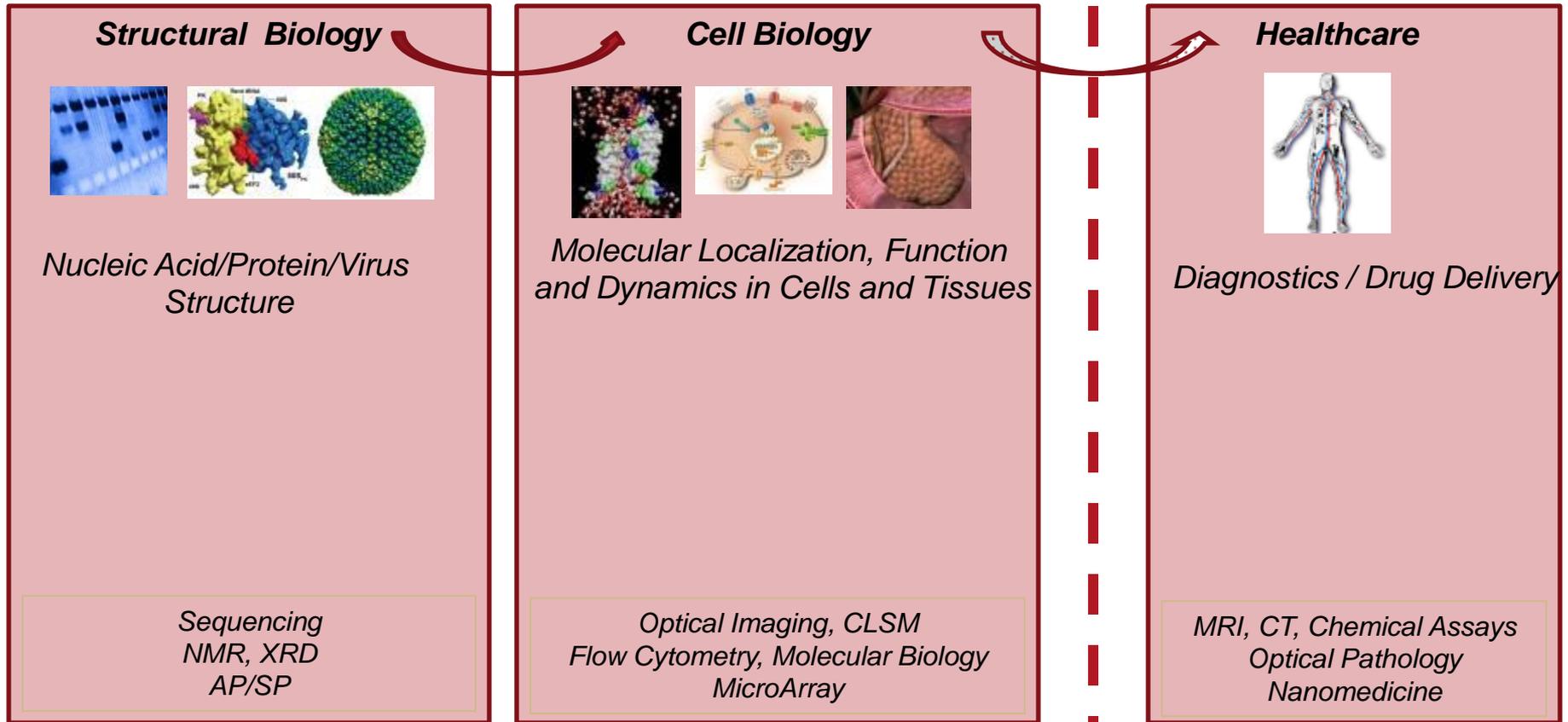


Correlative Microscopy: Bridging the Gap Between Light Microscopy and Electron Microscopy

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Life Sciences Landscape



Discovery → Integration → Validate and Standardize

Research Lab

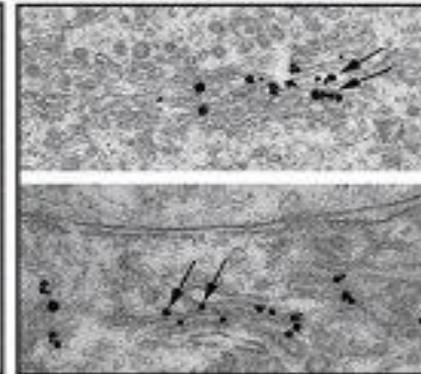
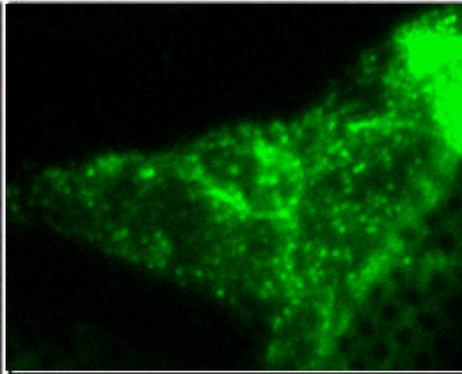
Clinical/Translational
Medicine

Imaging landscape

Organs

Cells in Tissue

Molecules in Cells



In vivo imaging

Light microscopy

Electron microscopy



Resolution -



Resolution +

System Biology

Cellomics



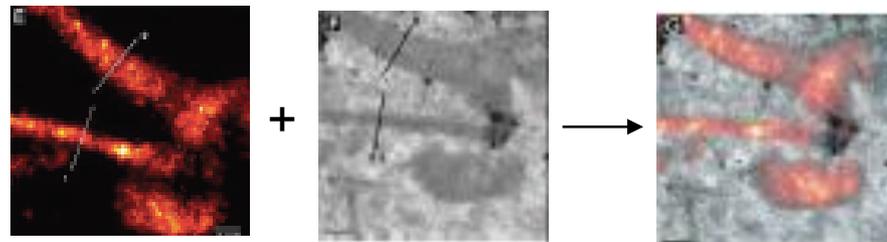
Genomics/Proteomics

Correlative Microscopy - Motivation

LM and EM are complementary techniques:

- LM for identifying locations of interest and dynamic events using fluorescent tags
- TEM for zooming in to nm resolution to provide cellular context

As recently reported in Nature Methods, Jennifer Lippincott-Schwartz states: “Unorthodox super-resolution microscopy discoveries will also need support from electron microscopy. The latter is especially important as it provides the needed nanometer-scale resolution of cell ultra structure to correlate with super resolution images.”



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Transmission Electron Microscopy

Scanning Probe Microscopy

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NMR

Correlative SEM - Fluorescent microscopy

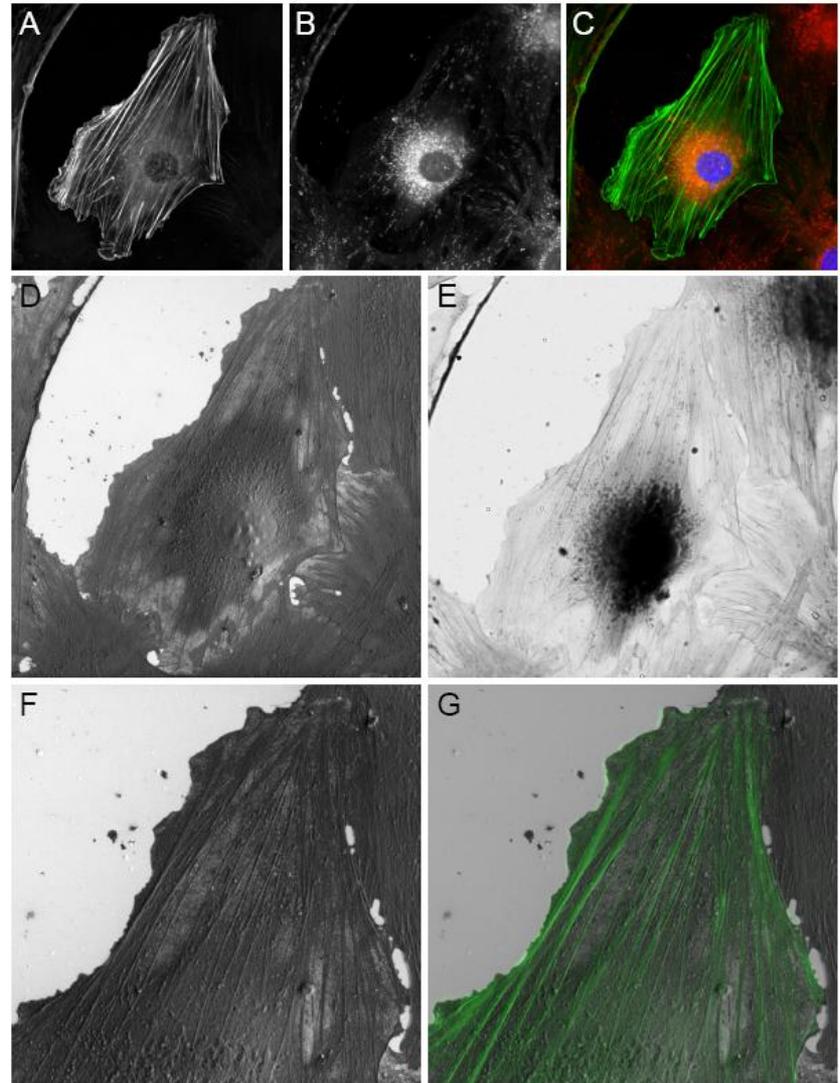
Mouse embryonic fibroblasts expressing YFP- β -actin, grown on Indium-Tin Oxide slides

Correlate

- Fluorescent Light Microscopy
- Secondary Electron
- Backscatter Electron

H. Pluk, J. Fransen University
Nijmegen, Netherlands

Pluk et al. *J Microsc.* 2009; 233(3): 353-63



Array Tomography

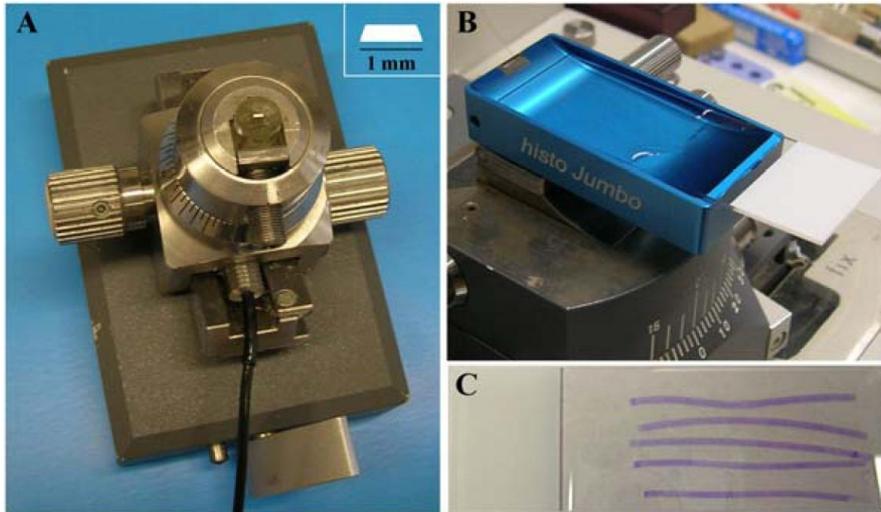
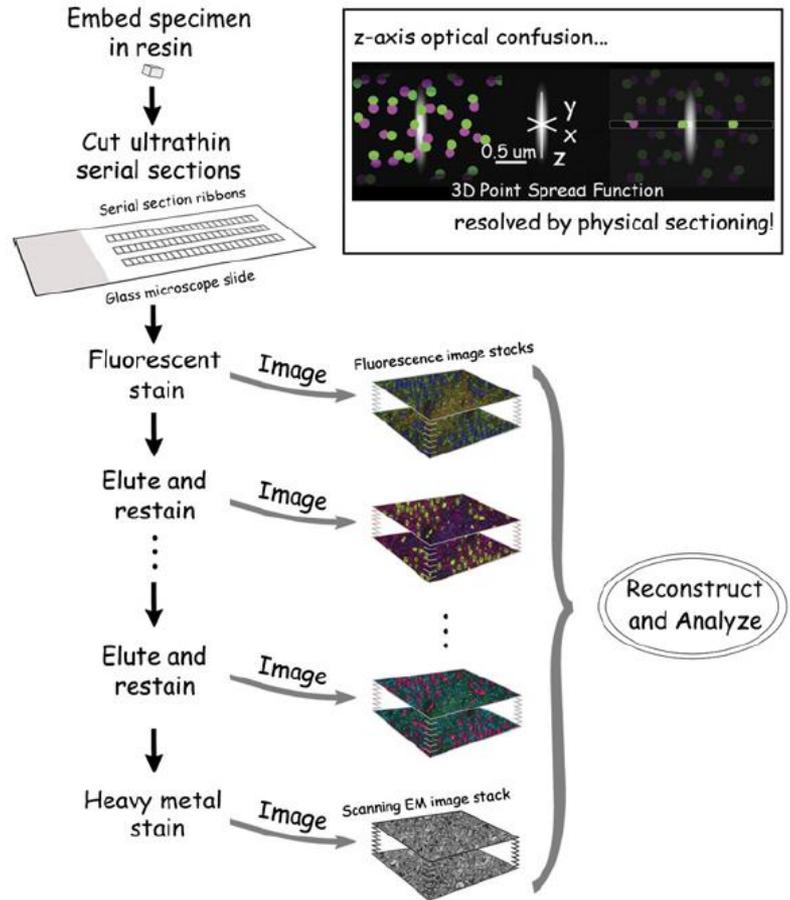
Array Tomography: A New Tool for Imaging the Molecular Architecture and Ultrastructure of Neural Circuits

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Figure 1. Schematic Representation of the Array Tomography Method

Array Tomography

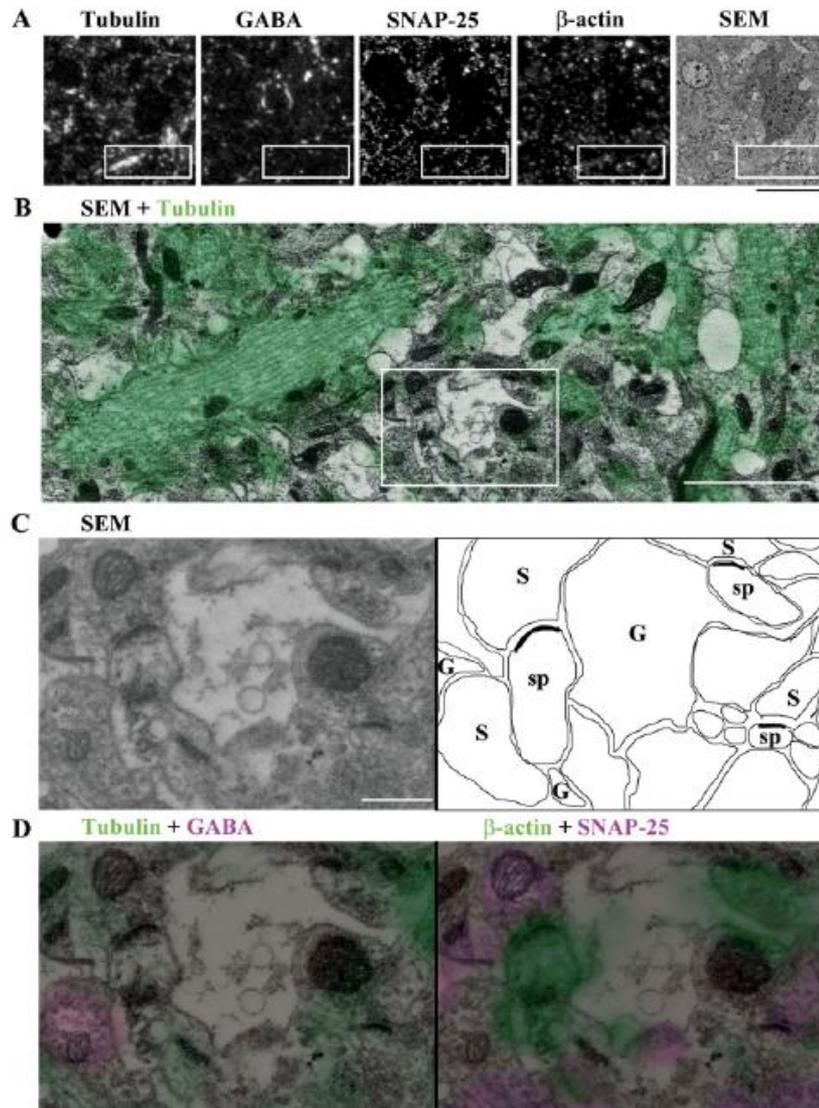


Figure 7. Demonstration of Naturally Excellent Registration of Light and Electron Microscopic Imaging of an Individual Specimen by Array Tomography

(A) The same region of a 70 nm section from the mouse cerebral cortex is shown as immunostained for tubulin, GABA, SNAP-25, and β -actin and imaged in the SEM. Scale bar, 10 μ m.

(B) The boxed region in (A) is imaged at a higher magnification in the SEM, and the corresponding immunofluorescent labeling for tubulin (green) is overlaid. Scale bar, 2 μ m.

(C) A higher-magnification SEM image of the boxed region in (B) and a schematic map of the same region: G—glia, S—presynaptic bouton, sp—spine. Scale bar, 0.5 μ m.

(D) Immunofluorescence for tubulin and GABA, and β -actin and SNAP-25 superimposed on the SEM image in (C). Scale bar, 0.5 μ m.

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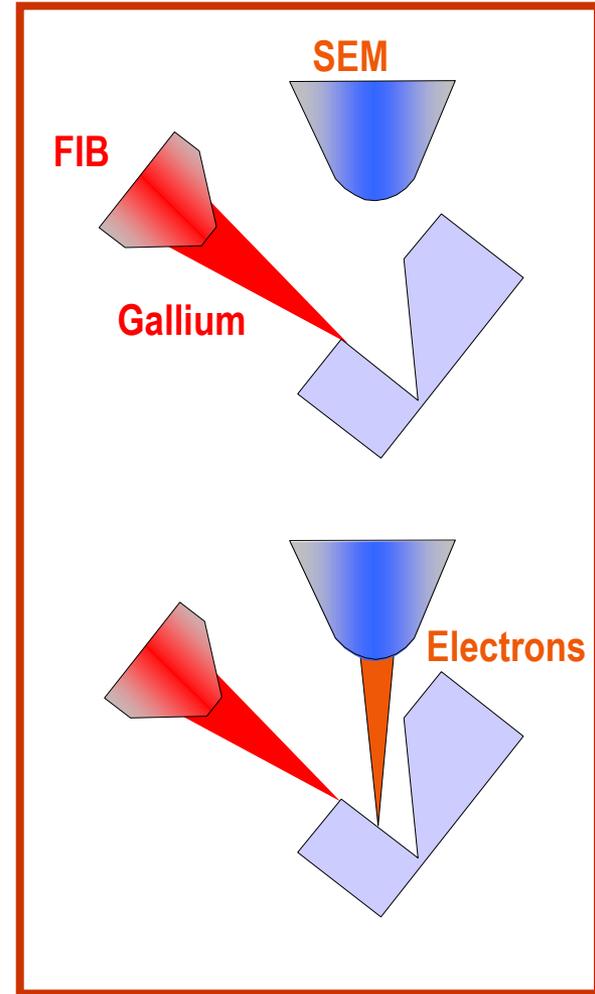
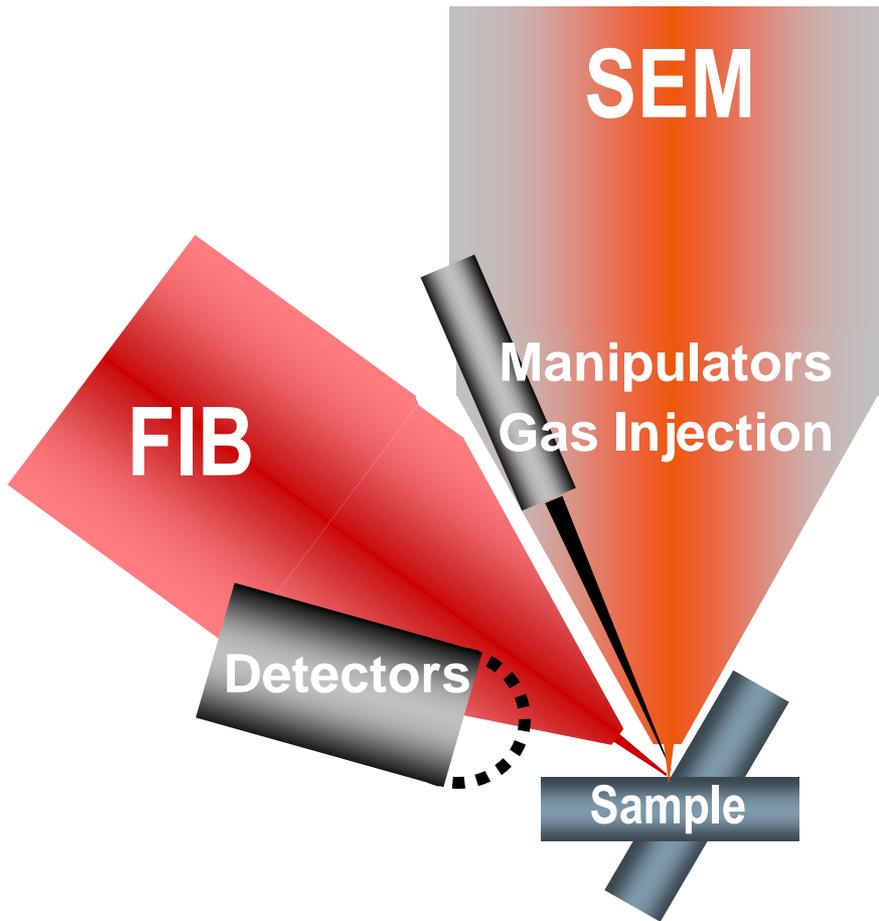
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Scanning Probe Microscopy

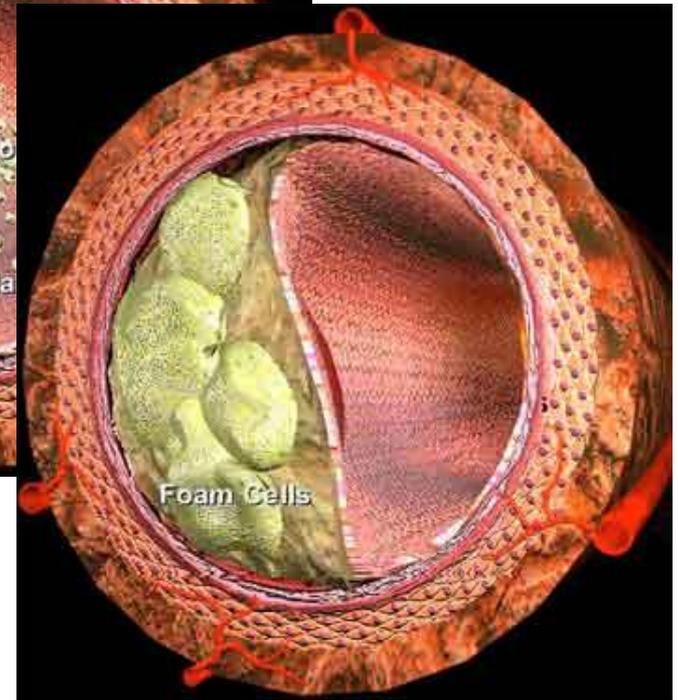
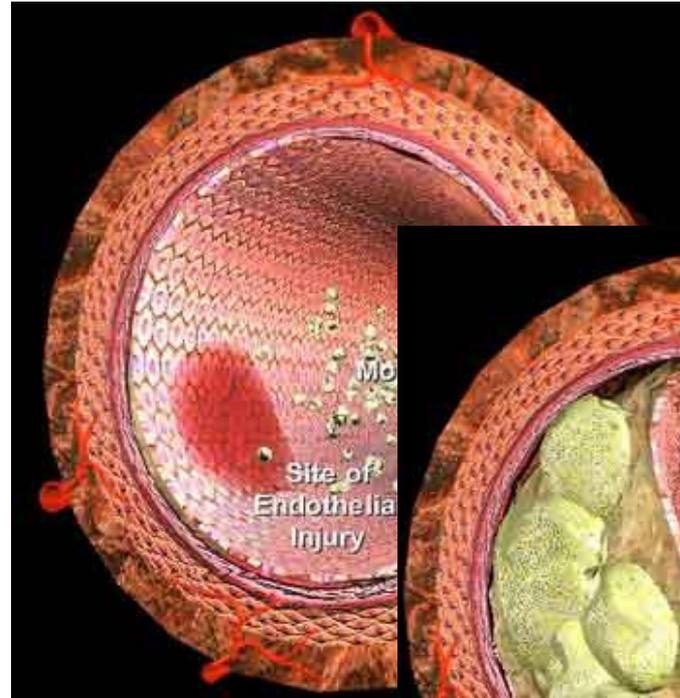
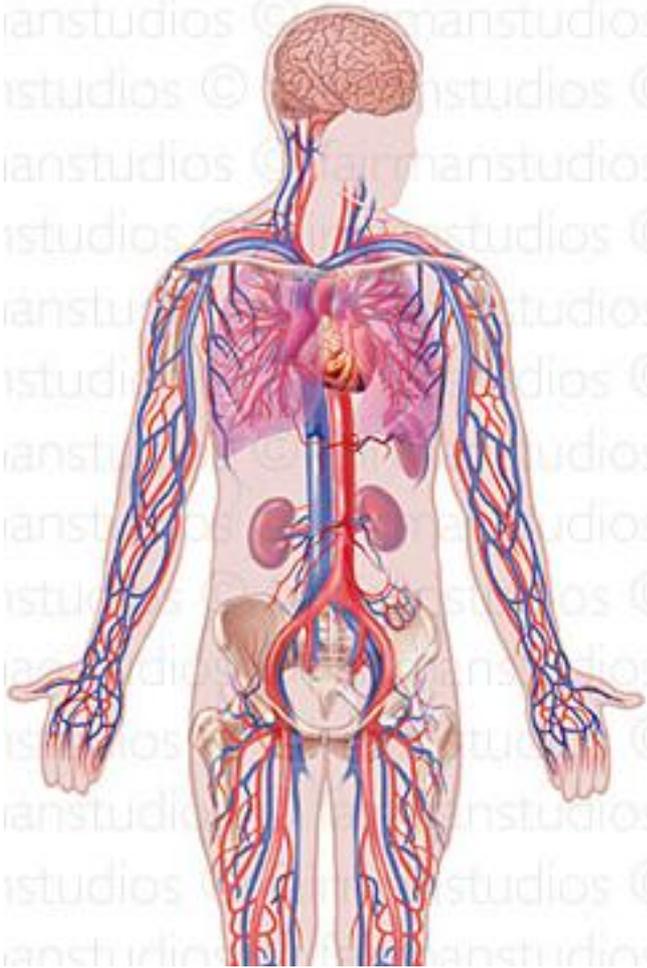
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What is a DualBeam?



Atherosclerosis : Needle in the haystack problem



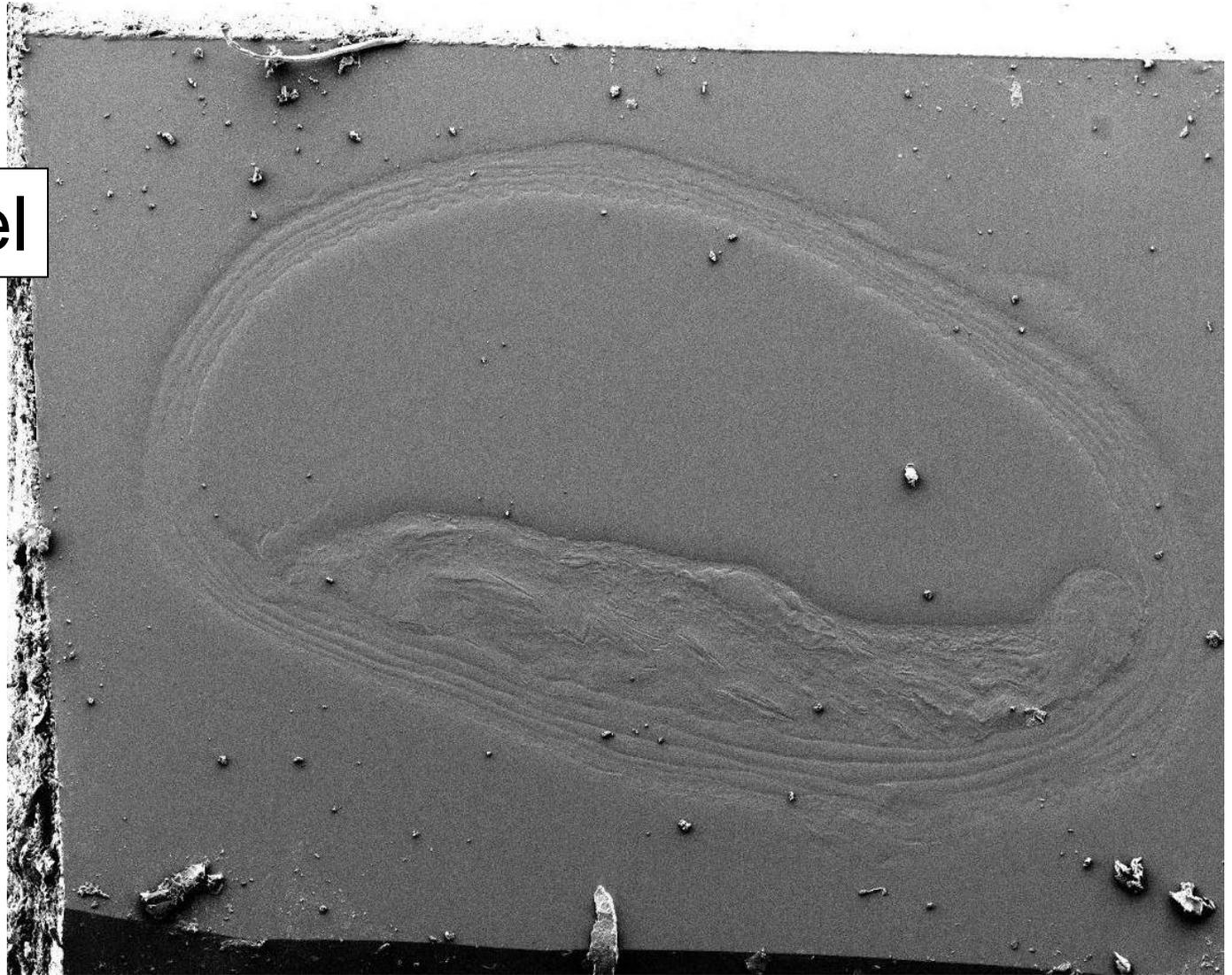
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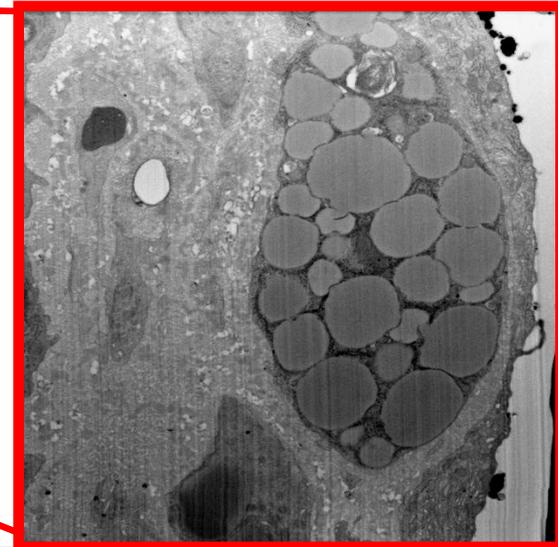
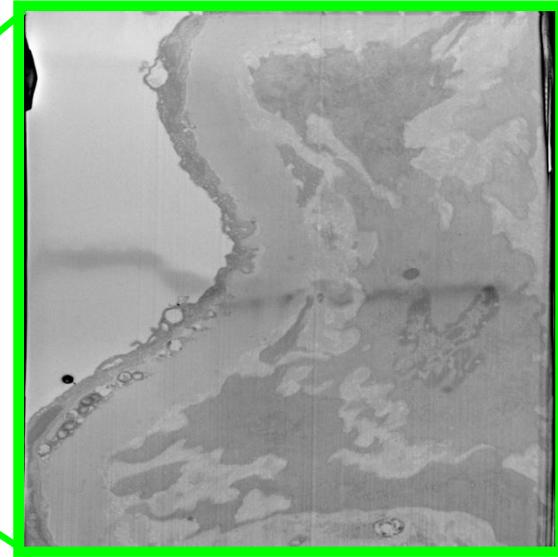
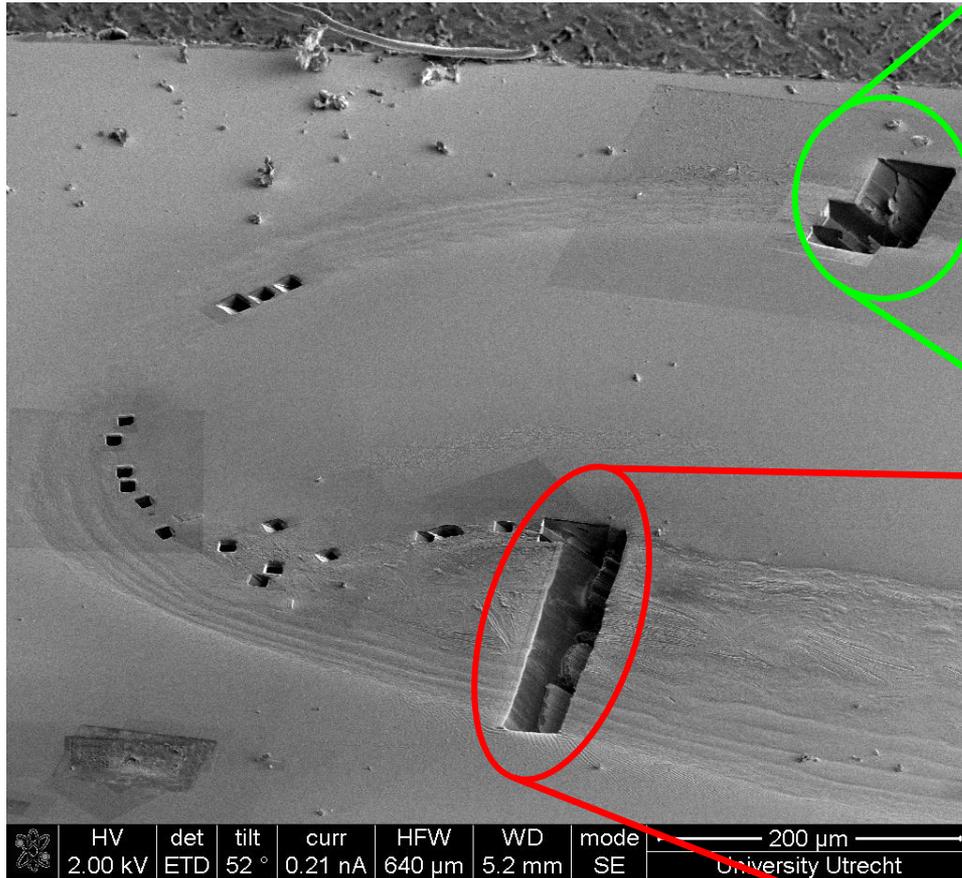
The vessel



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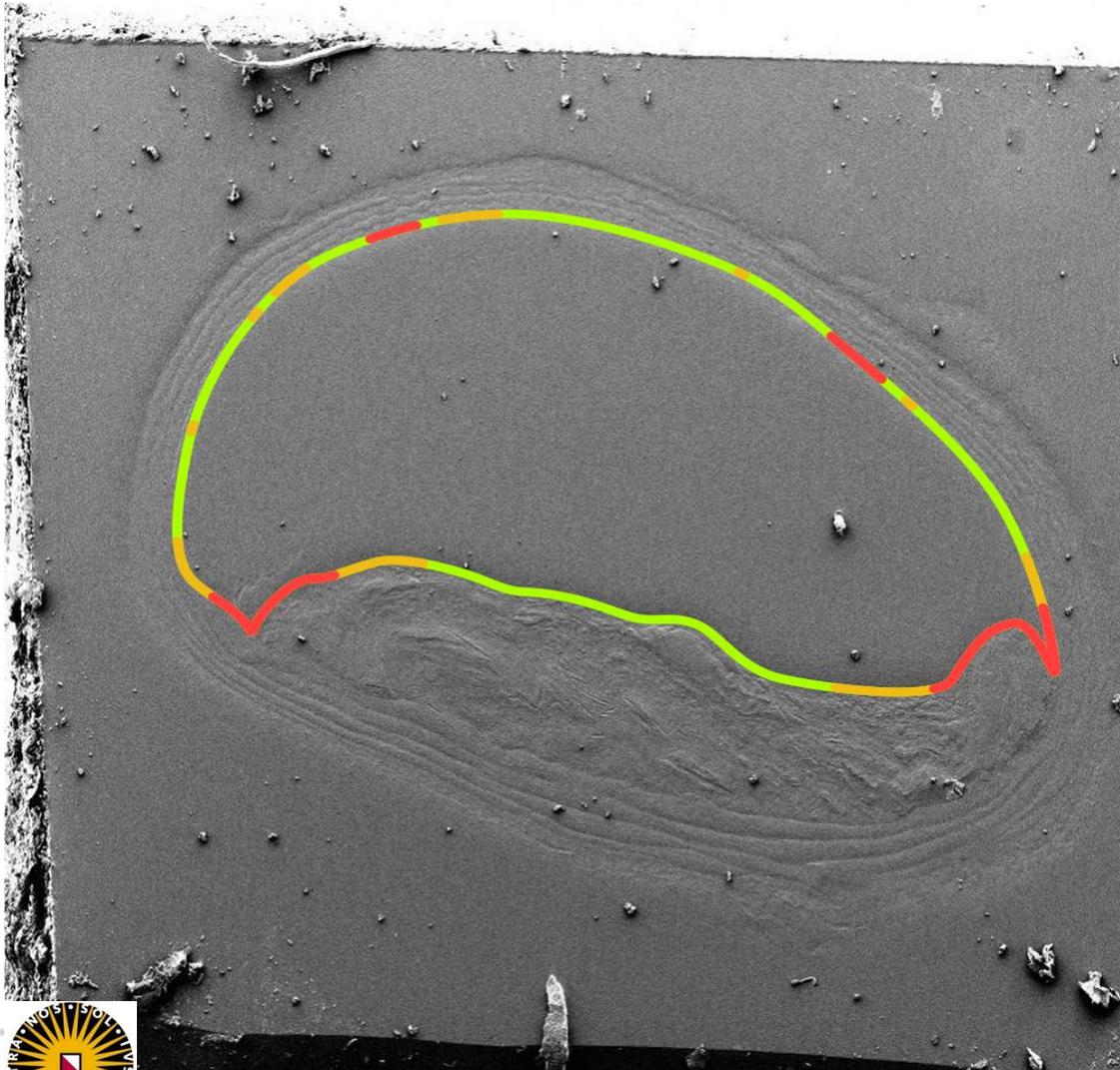
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Spatial Density of ICAM specific label at inner blood vessel



high number of
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development
low number
indicates healthy
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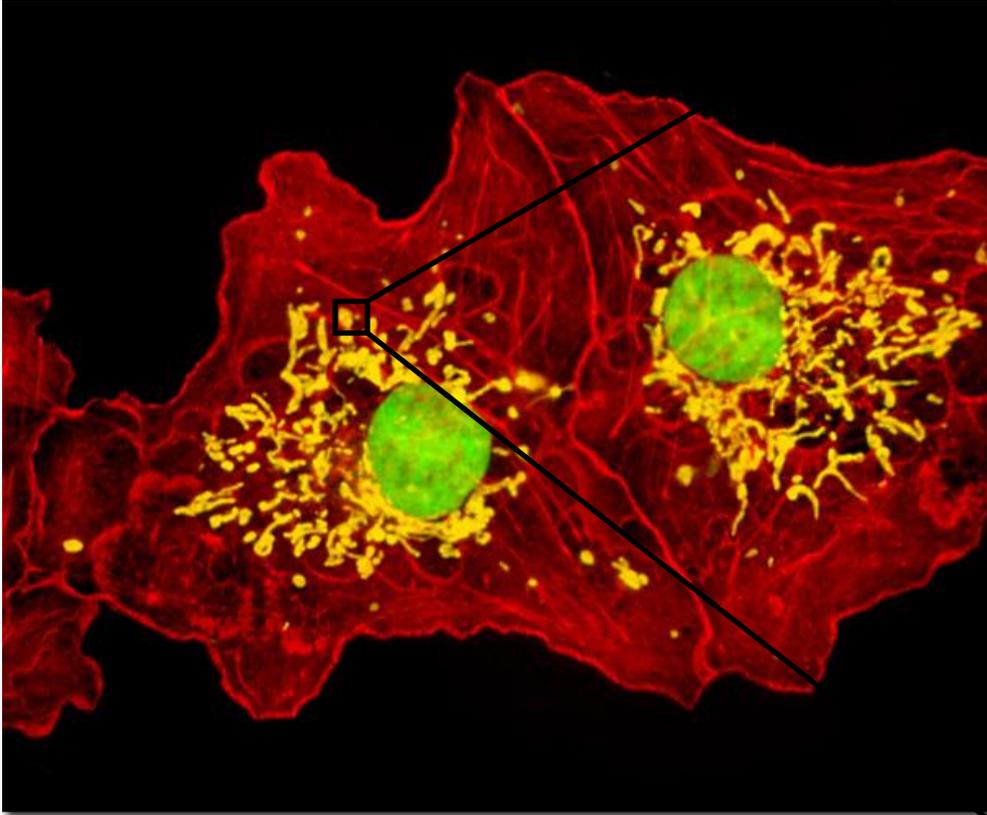
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Correlative Microscopy - Leveraging the Strengths of Both LM and EM



Olympus Inverted Light Microscope

FEI Tecnai Spirit TEM

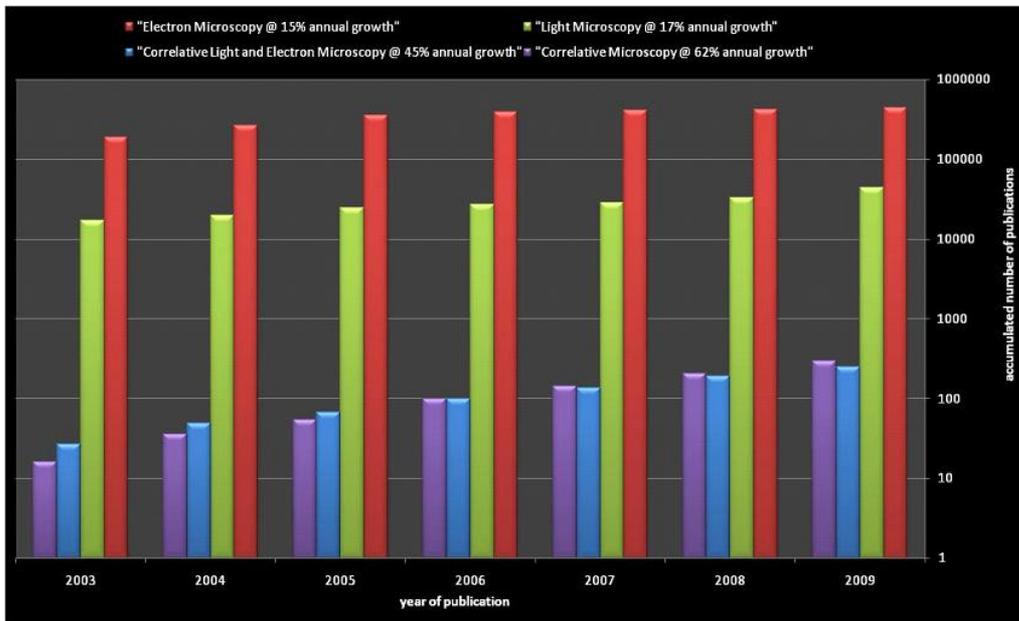
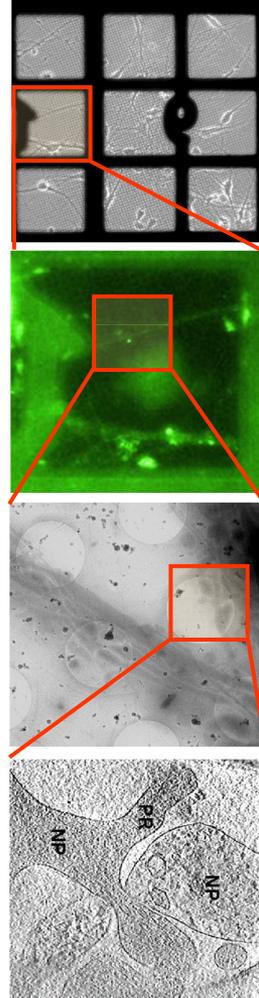
Correlative Microscopy

Light Microscopy (widely used in biology)

- Large field of view / overview
- Live cell imaging
- Limited or no sample preparation
- Combination with fluorescent labels (GFP..)
- Resolution ~ 200 nm

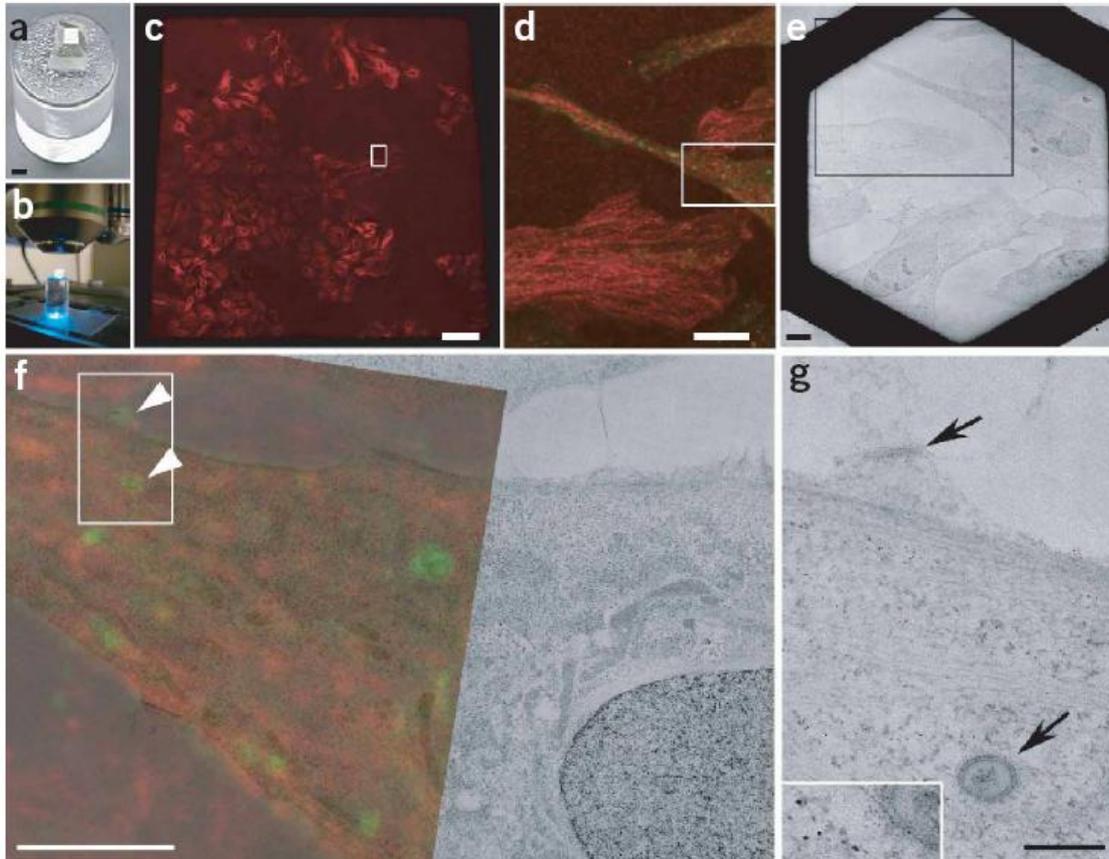
Electron Microscopy

- Excellent spatial resolution with small field of view
- Provides the cellular context
- Extensive specimen preparation, especially for labeling techniques



Growth rates for correlative papers are highest. EM=15%, LM=17%, CLEM=45%, CM=62%. A clear trend towards correlative microscopy.

Correlative Microscopy (manual)



Confocal block-face imaging

Ultrathin sectioning

TEM

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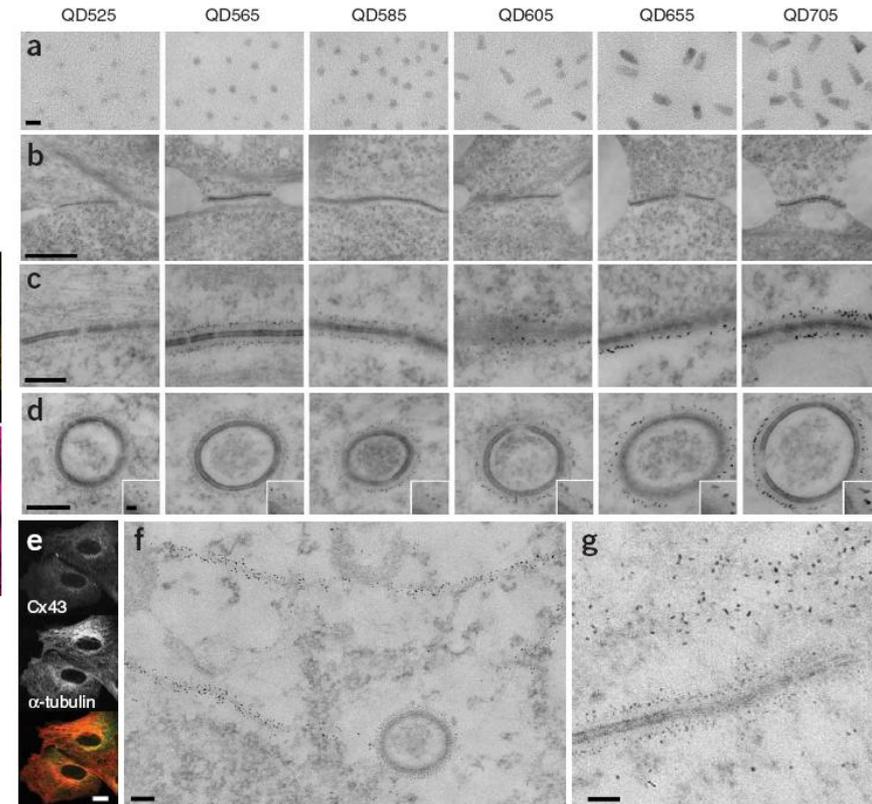
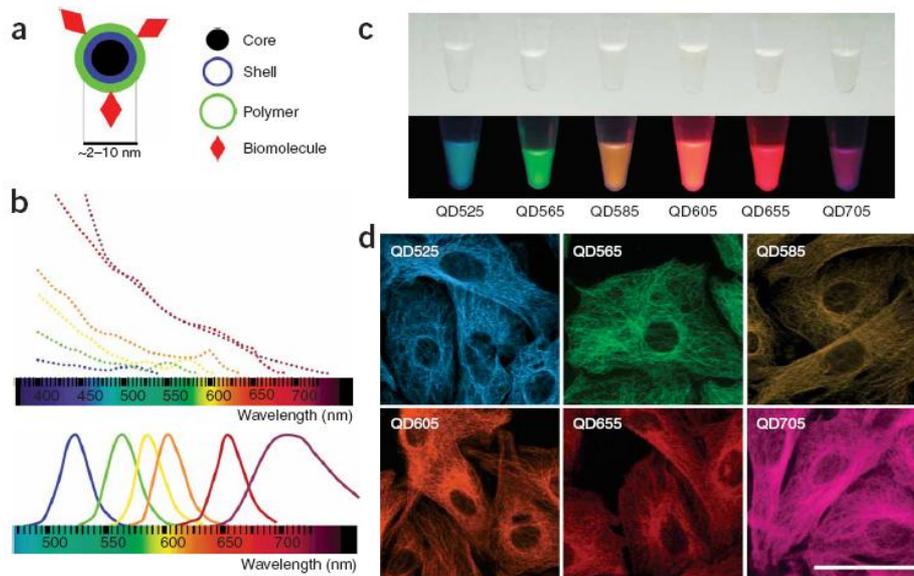
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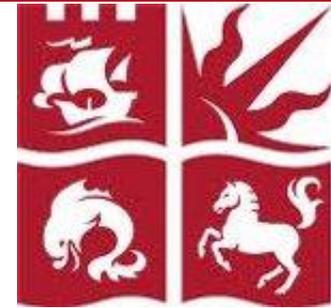
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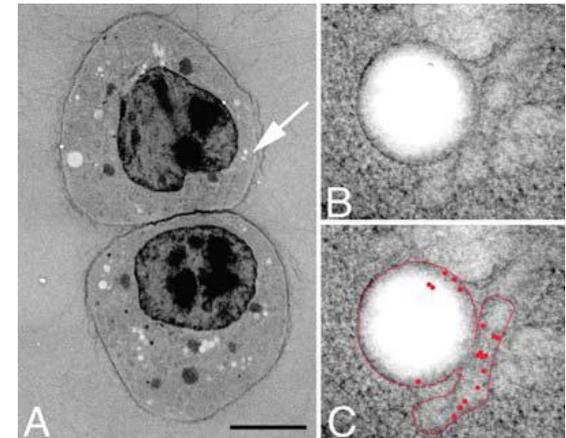
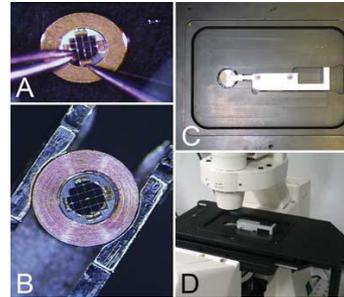
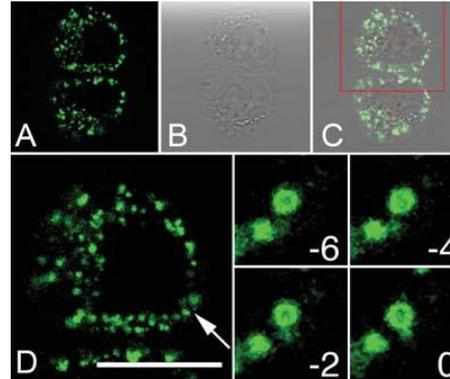
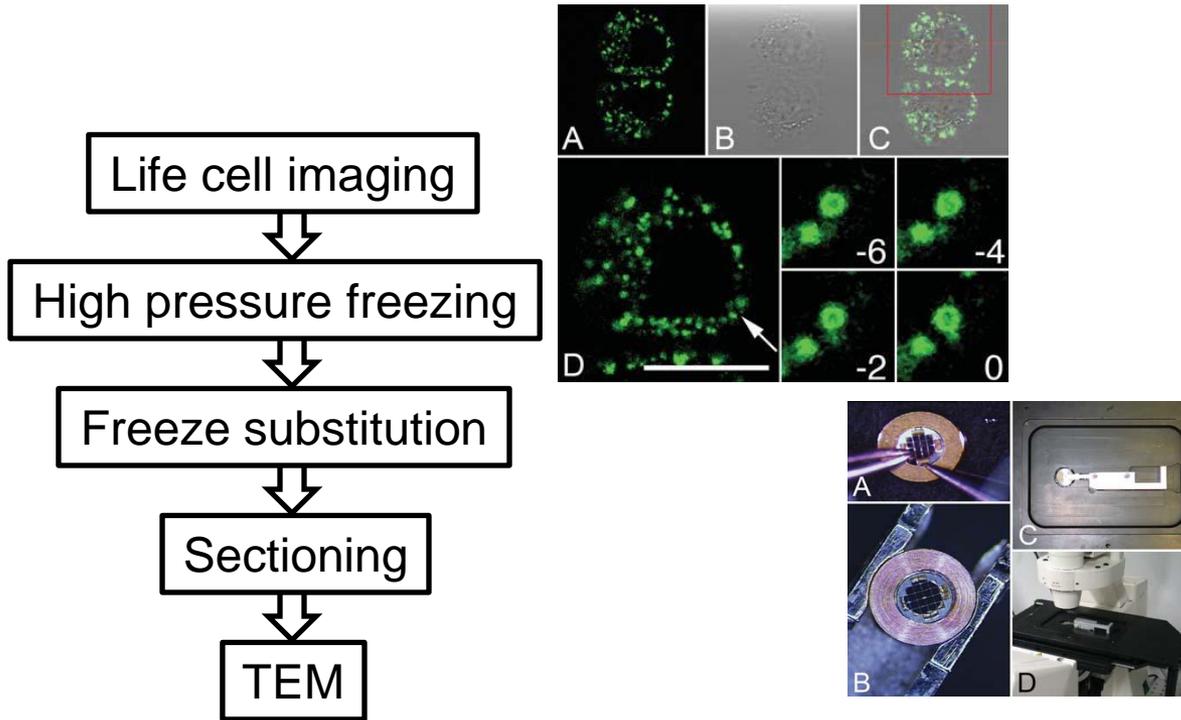
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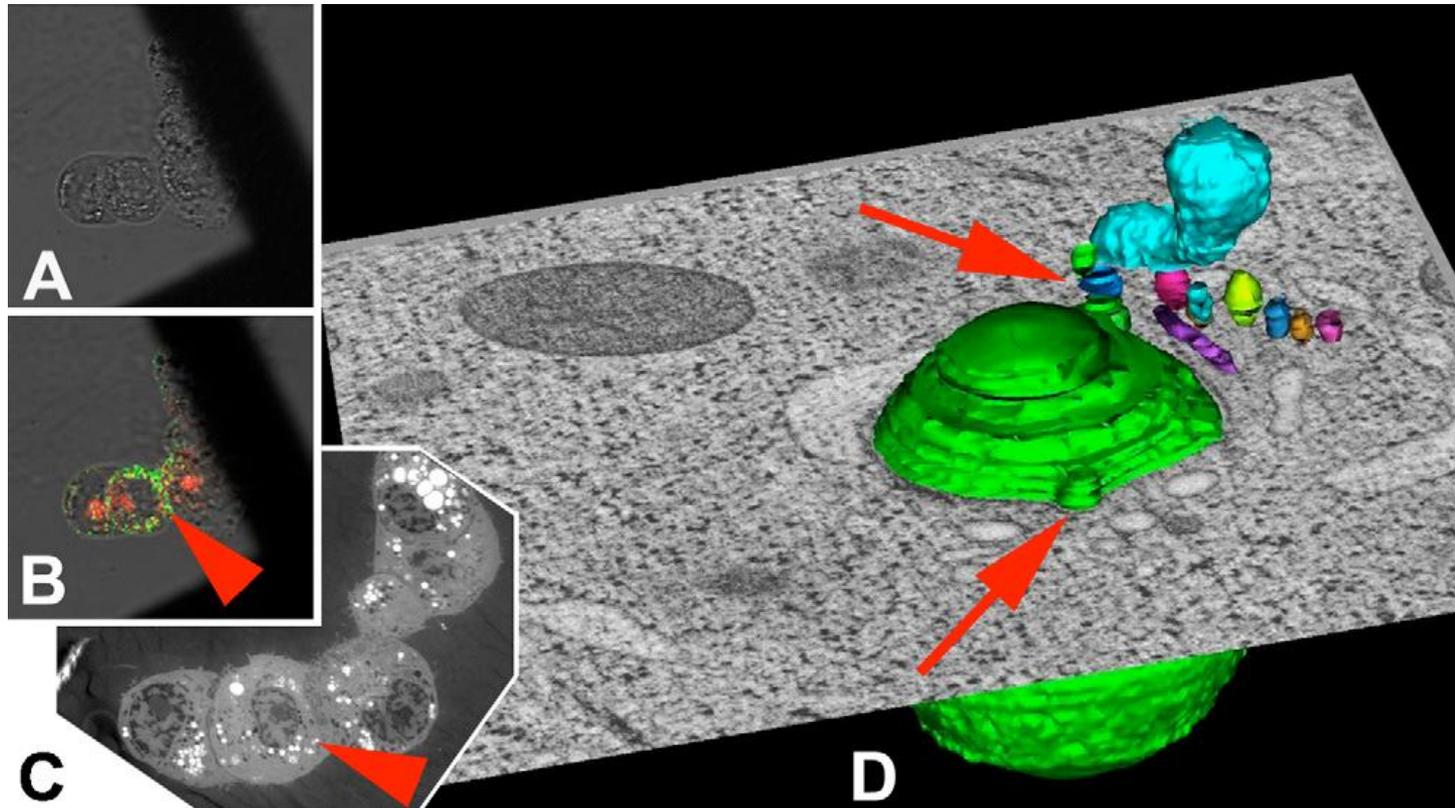
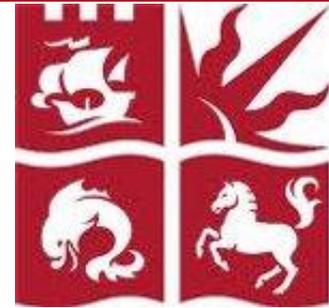


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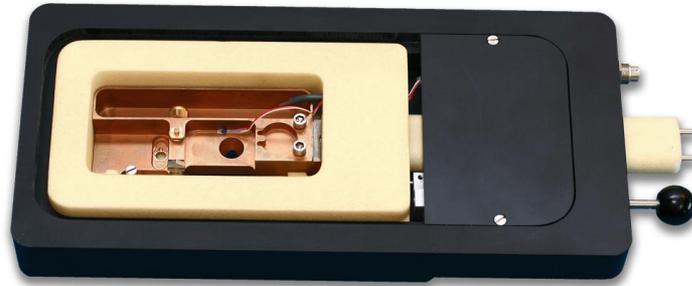
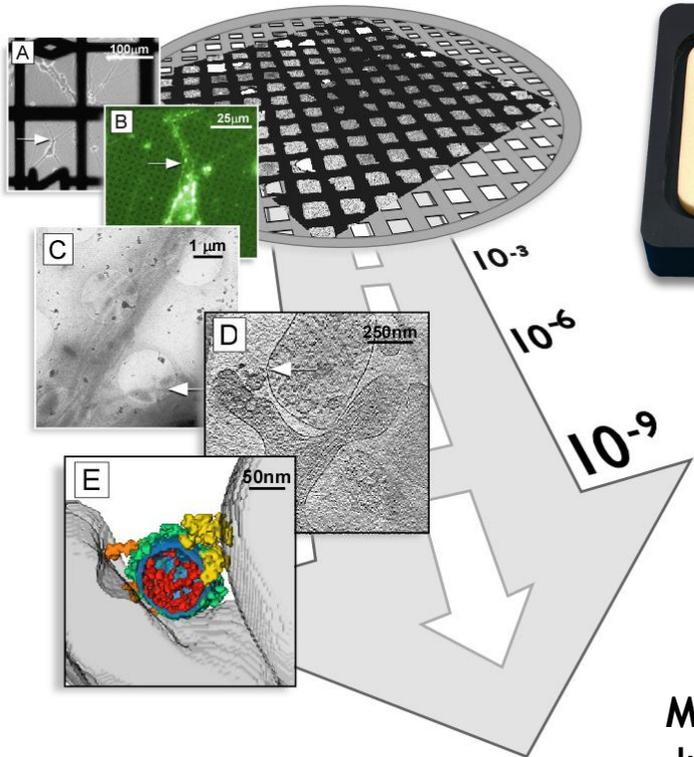
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Cryo-correlative workflow



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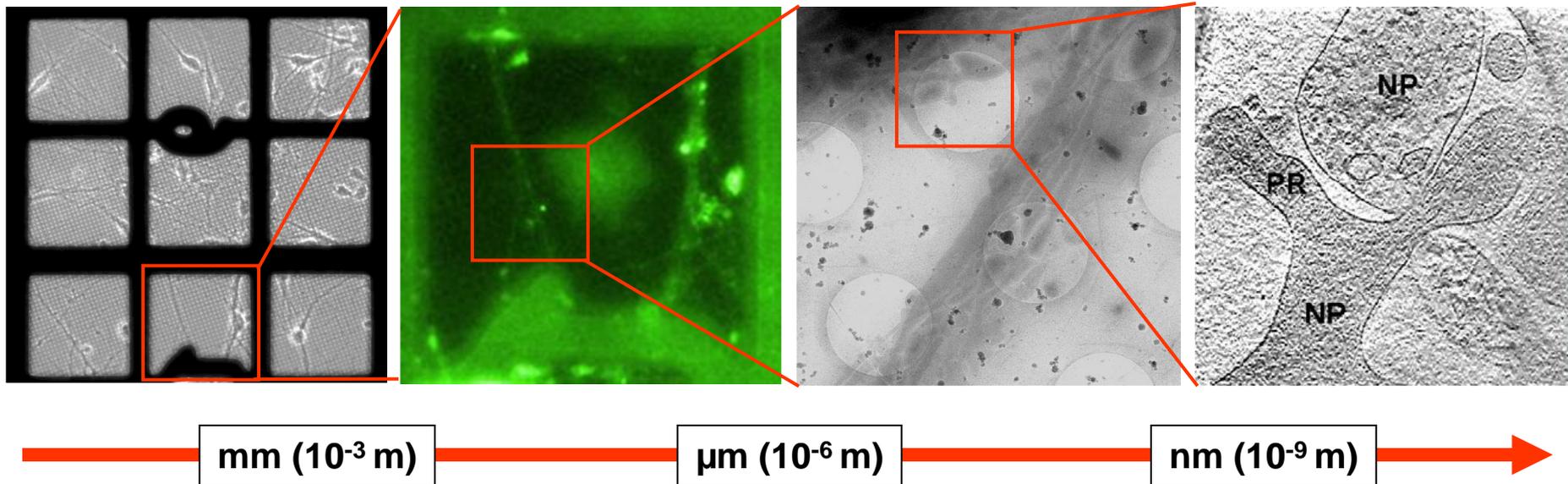
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Cryo-correlative Microscopy

Correlative microscopy - characteristics

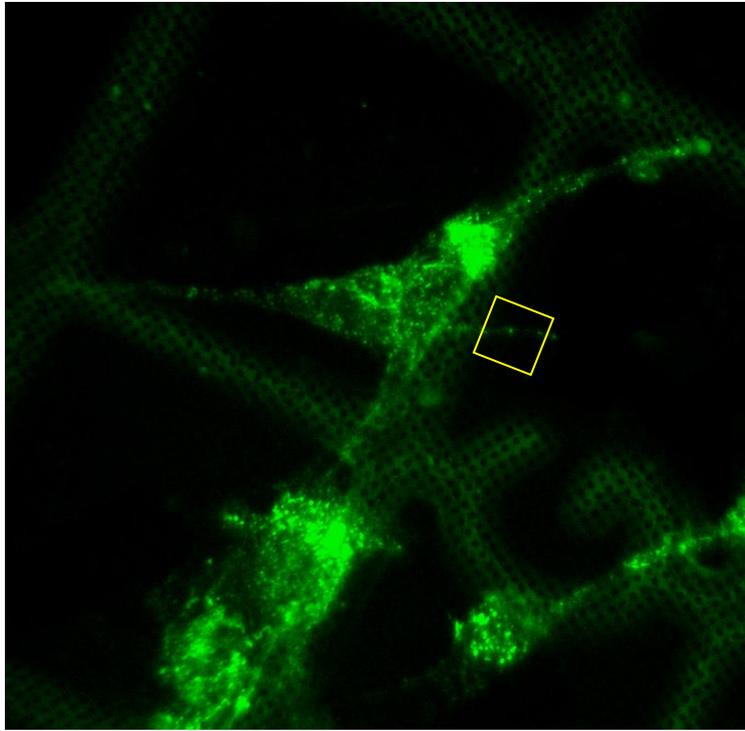
- Examining one and the same sample by both light and electron microscopy
- LM provides a survey over large cellular landscapes
- FM allows positive identification of features of interest
- EM and ET permits zooming in on such features at much higher resolution



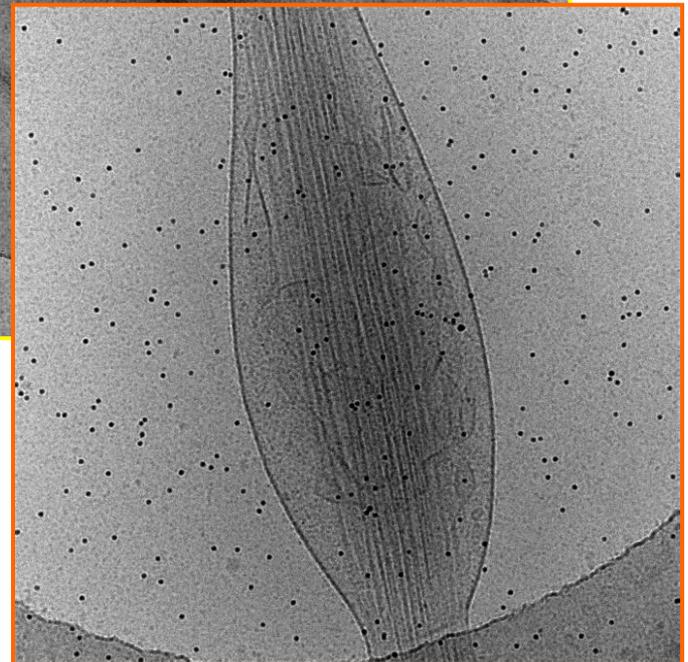
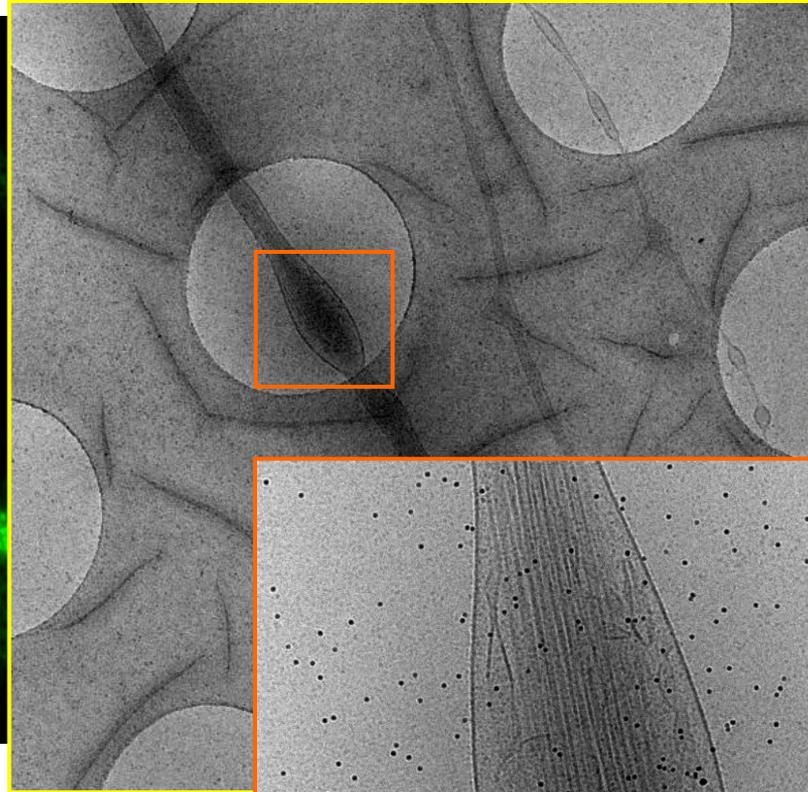
Example given: Cultured neurons grown on EM gold finder grids



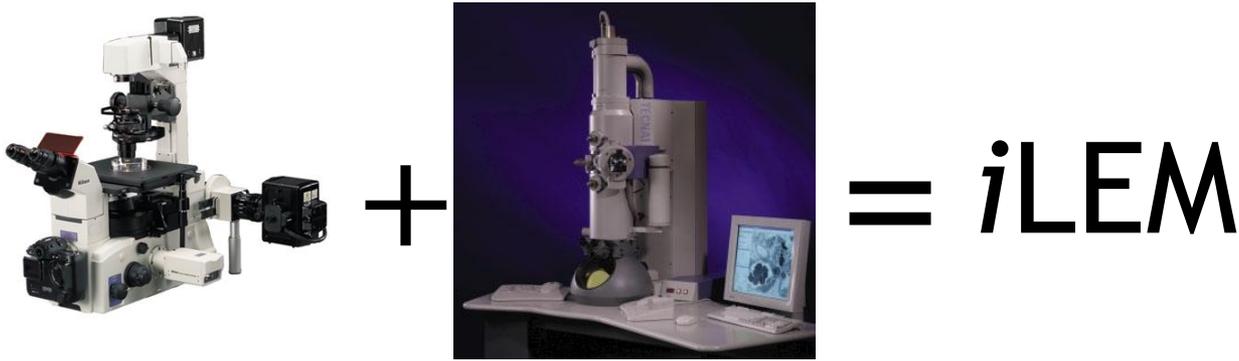
Correlating FM and cryo-ET: Cryo-FM features



HFF (Human Foreskin Fibroblasts)
live immunolabelling with Ab
conjugated to Alexa488



Integrated Correlative Microscopy



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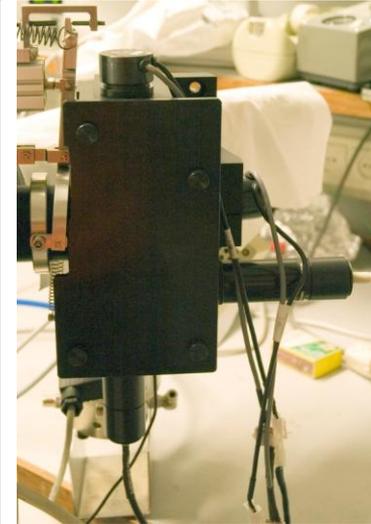
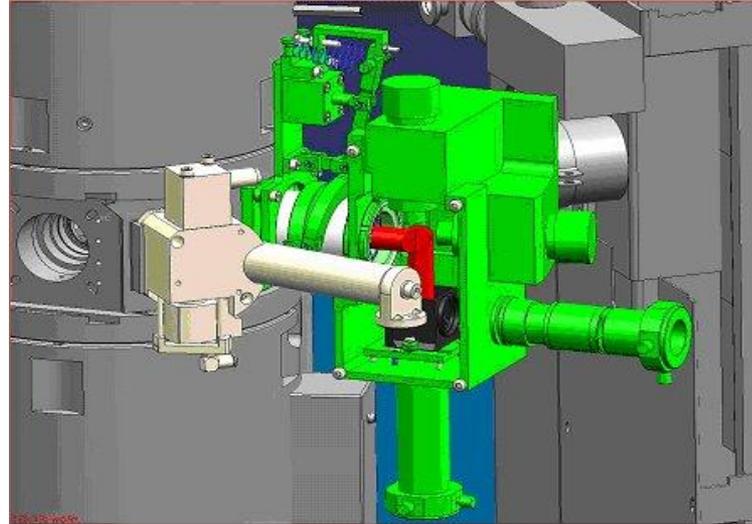
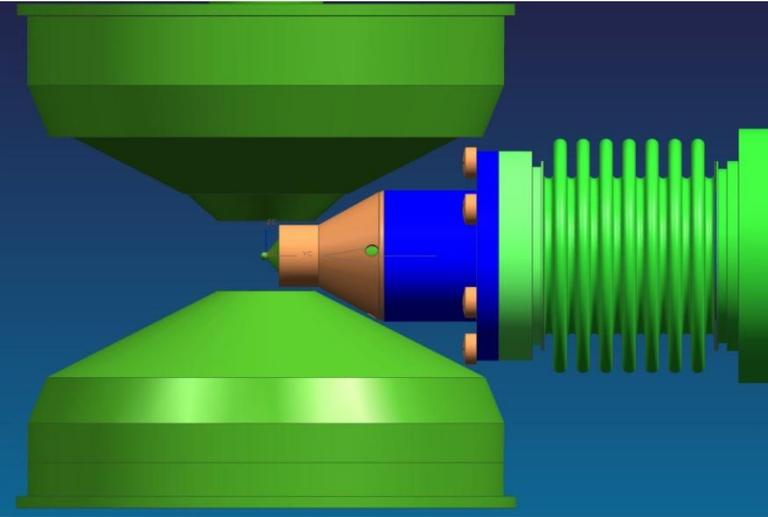


FEI contributed to the design and construction of a prototype



Correlative Microscopy

Integrated Correlative Light Electron Microscopy (ILEM)

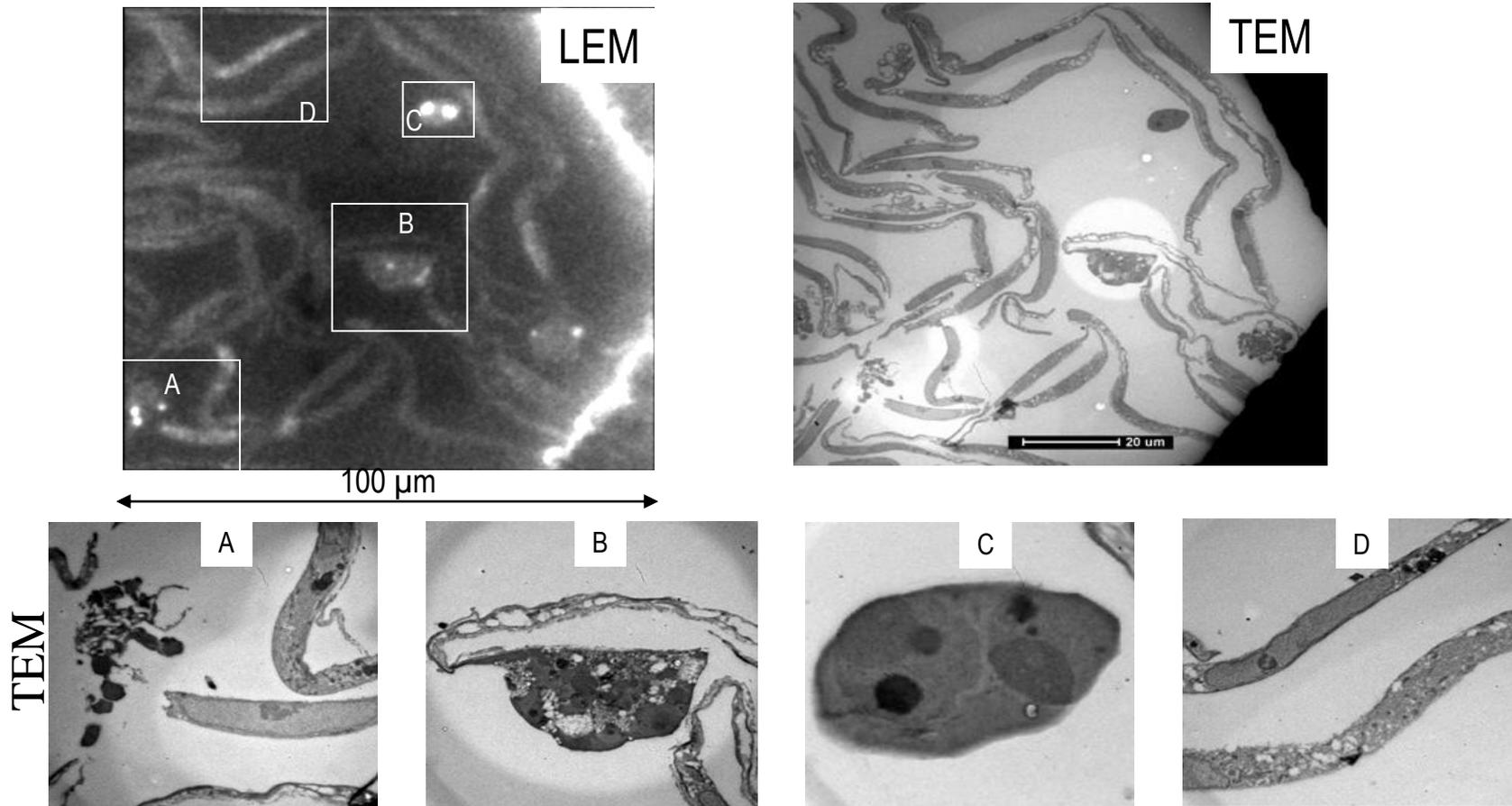


- Optimal Navigation Tool for correlative microscopy
 - Faster correlation between LM and EM
 - Less potential contamination (cryo)
 - Less photo-bleaching of fluorescent labels (vacuum)
 - No compromise on EM performance, slight decline in LM resolution
- Prototype ILEM up and running on Tecnai 12 at Utrecht University
 - Paper published in J. Structural Biology (**Volume 164, 2008, 183-189**)
- Second prototype was recently installed at Leiden University
- First application results have been obtained (next slides)
- Funded by STW



Correlative Microscopy - ILEM

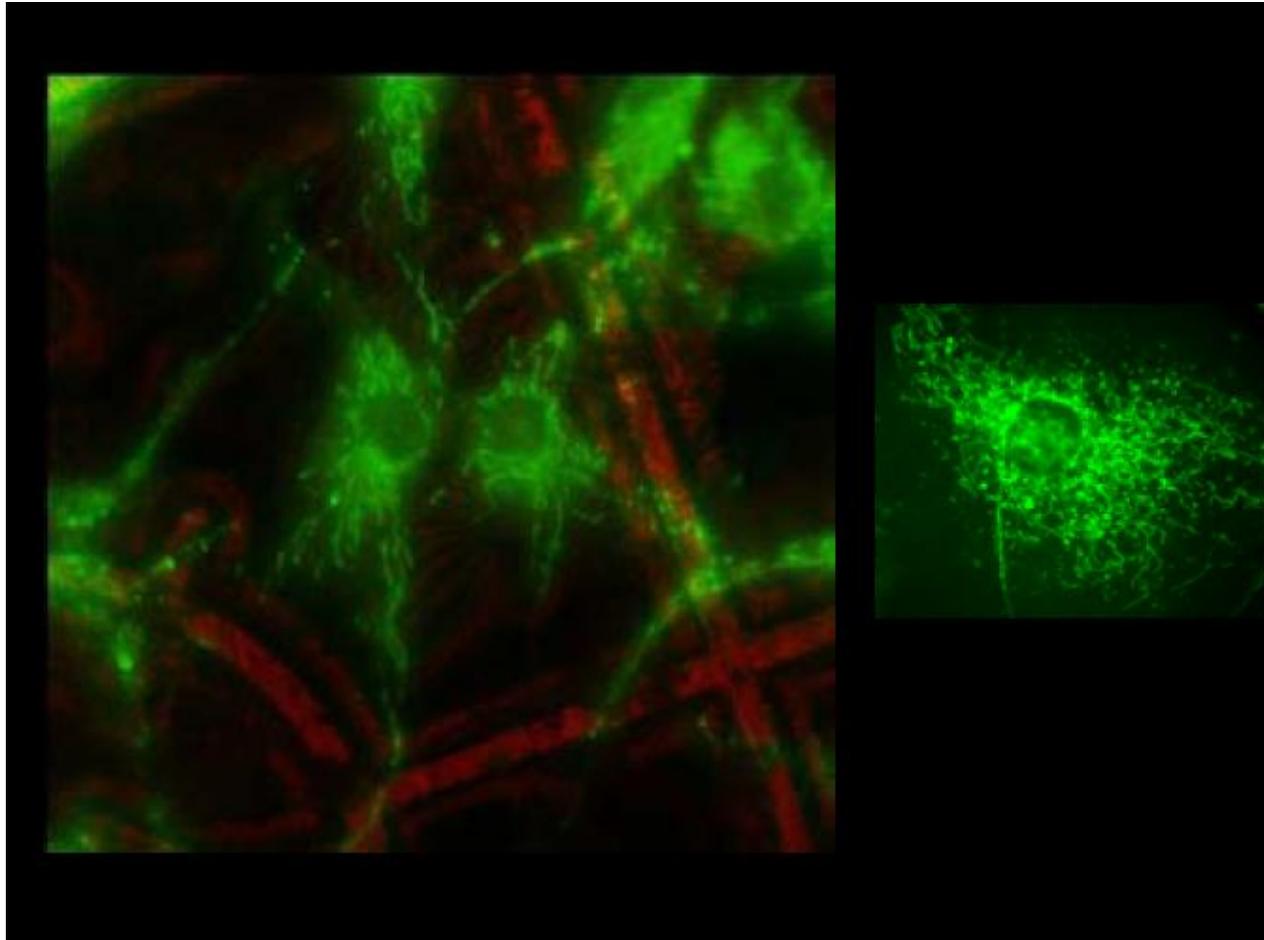
UVC stressed HUVEC cells, staining: γ -H2AX with Alexa488 & gold



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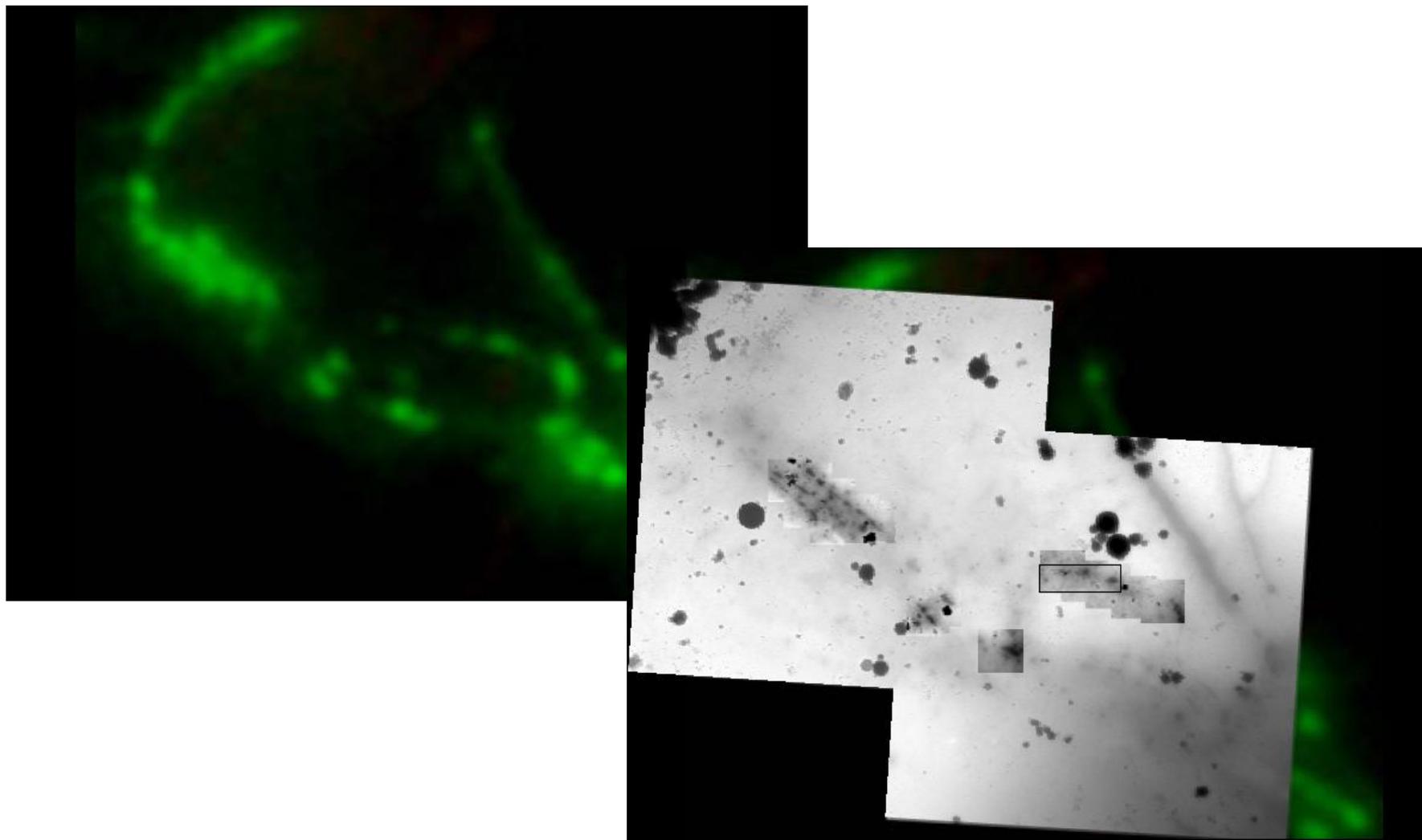


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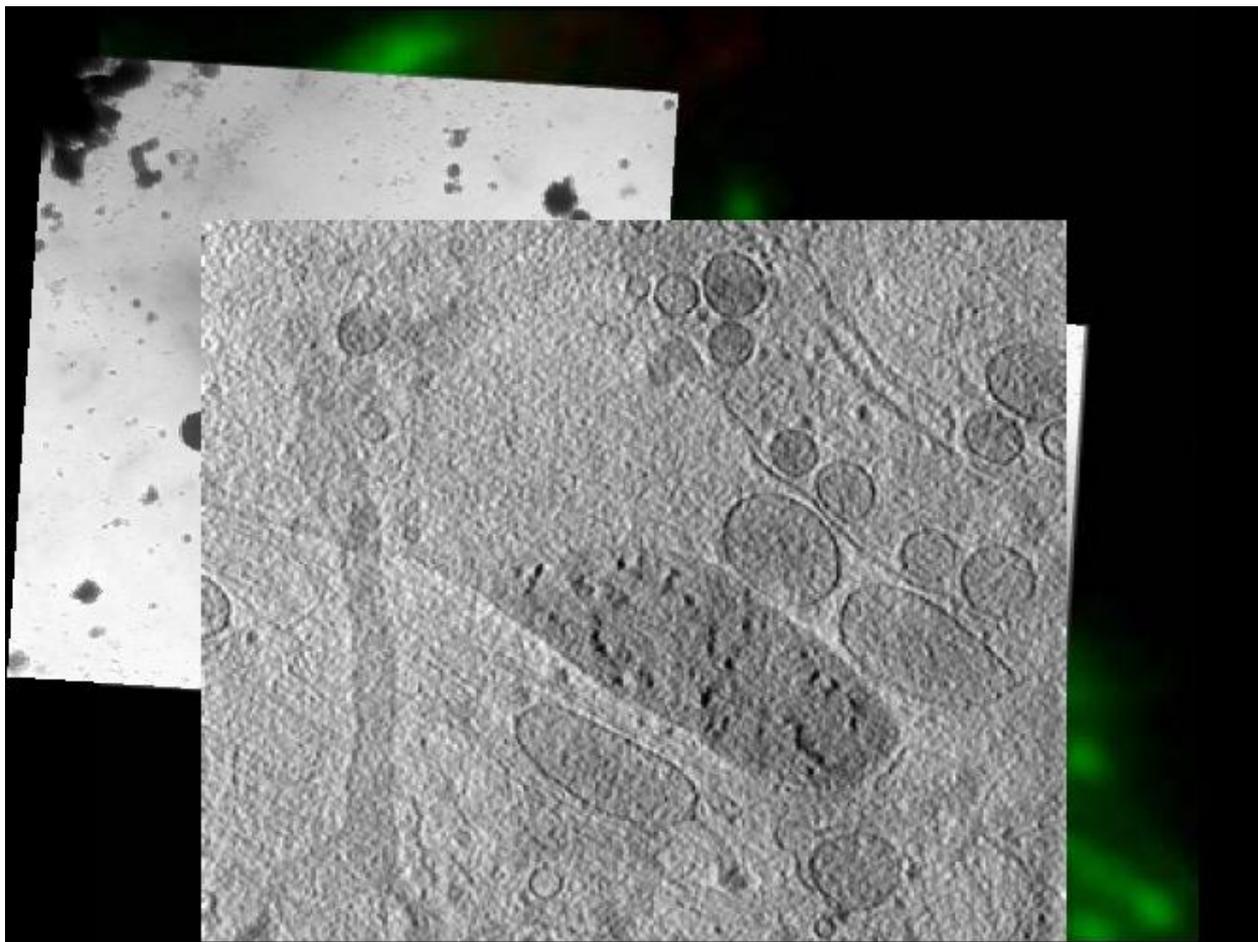


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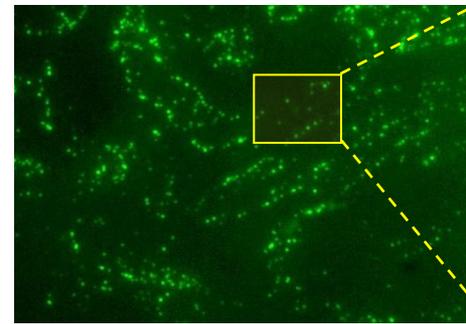


Biology Challenges

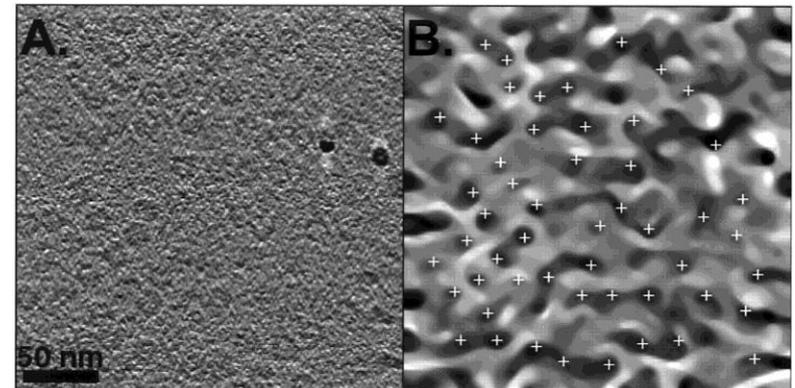
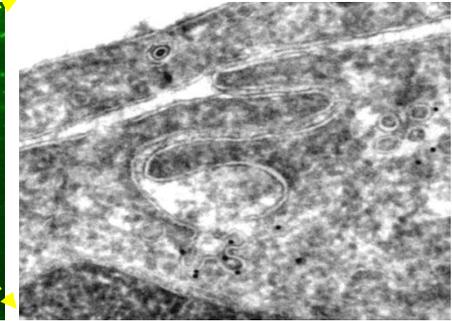
- Link MRI/CT Medical Data to ultra-structural data
- Link Light Microscopy data to EM Data
- Link Cellular Architecture context to localization of specific Macromolecules
- Link X-ray Structures to EM Data
- With minimal Artifacts (Close to living state)
- In a significant volume

The key is correlation!

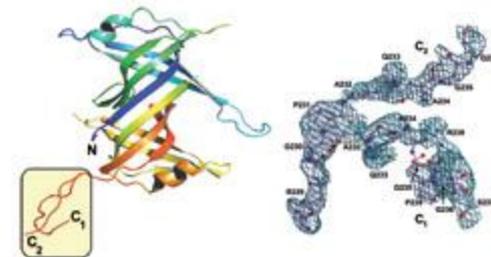
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