

# MICRON Advanced Microscopy Course

Welcome and key things to remember

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2010-2021



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microscopy technology  
grant 2014-2019



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## Fire escapes

Lectures:

<https://micronoxford.com/micron-microscopy-course-1>

There is no  
Free lunch !!!



# Giant leap

**Basic  
Microscopy**

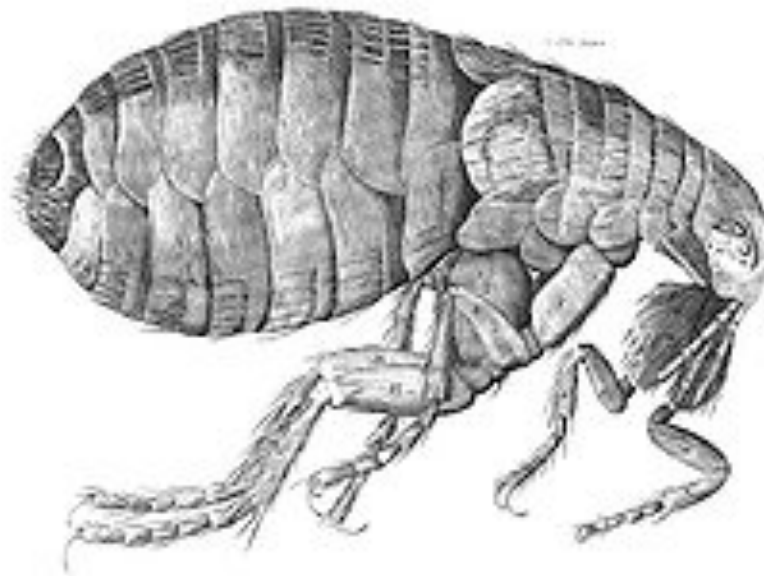
**Advanced  
Microscopy**



**History of the Micron advanced  
Microscopy course**



# The importance of microscopes



**1<sup>st</sup> century AD**, glass was invented by the Romans - who then discovered crude lenses.

**13<sup>th</sup> century** spectacle makers were producing lenses to be worn as glasses.

**1609 Galileo Galilei** perfected the first device known as a microscope.

**Zaccharias Janssen and Hans Lipperhey** first compound microscope

**Later in the 16th century, Anton van Leeuwenhoek** began polishing and grinding lenses



# Milestones in the history of microscopy

[http://www.nature.com/milestones/milelight/pdf/milelight\\_timeline.pdf](http://www.nature.com/milestones/milelight/pdf/milelight_timeline.pdf)

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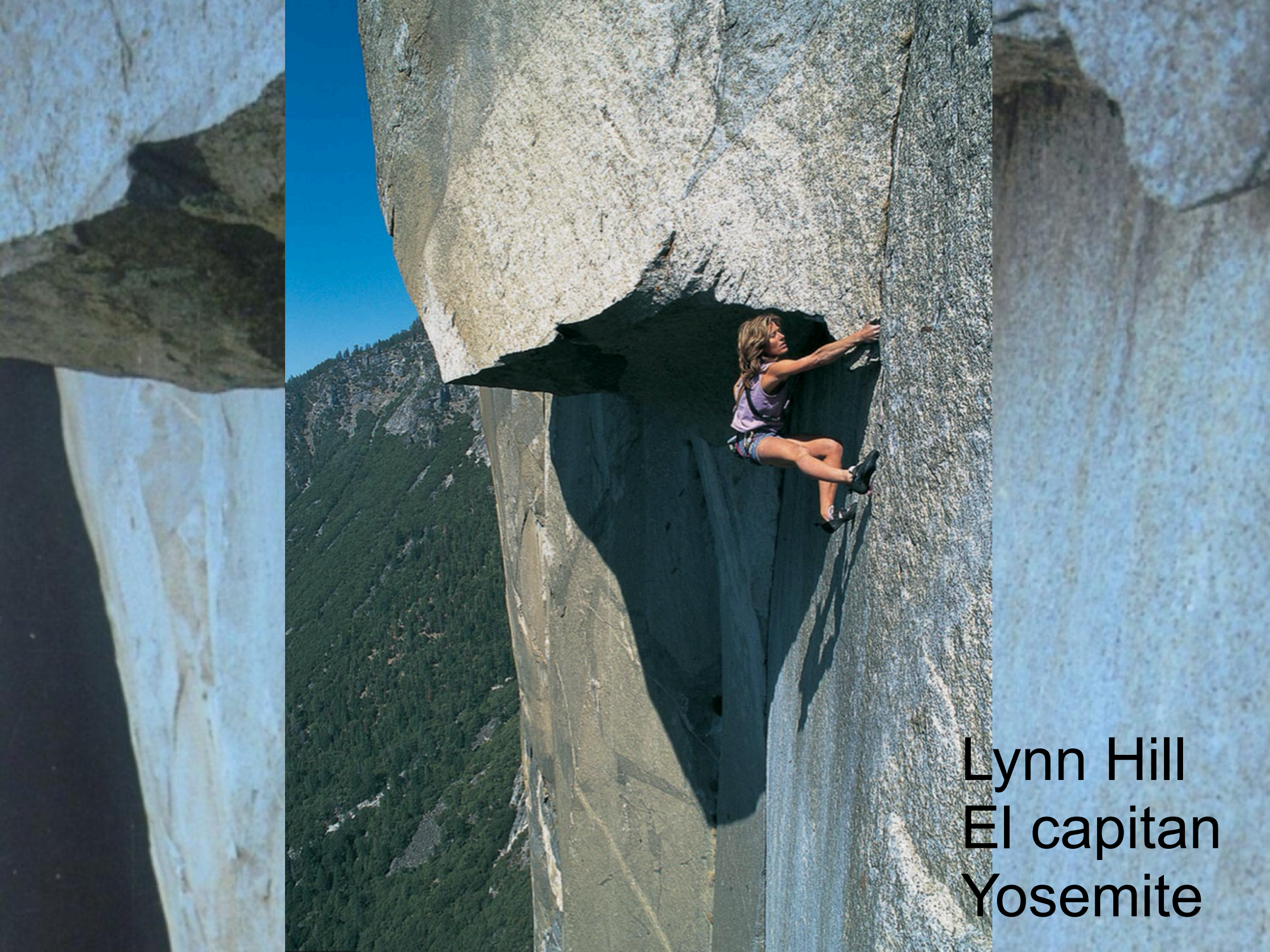
## MILESTONES TIMELINE

1595	Invention of the microscope (Milestone 1)	<a href="#">Zaccharias Janssen</a> <a href="#">Galileo</a>
1858	First histological stain (Milestone 2)	
1871	Synthesis of fluorescein (Milestone 2)	
1873	Diffraction limit theory (Milestone 3)	<a href="#">Ernst Abbe</a>
1911	First fluorescence microscopy (Milestone 4)	<b>1880</b> <a href="#">Agust Kohler</a>
1929	First epifluorescence microscope (Milestone 4)	<b>1931 EM</b> <a href="#">Ernst Ruska</a>
1935	Phase contrast microscopy (Milestone 5)	<b>1932</b>
1939	Polarization microscopy (Milestone 6)	<a href="#">Fritts Zernike</a>
1942	Immunofluorescence (Milestone 7)	
1955	Differential interference contrast (Milestone 8)	<a href="#">Normaski</a>
1961	Concept of confocal microscopy (Milestone 9)	<a href="#">Marvin Minsky</a>
1967	The dichroic mirror (Milestone 4)	
1972	Fluorescence correlation spectroscopy (Milestone 10)	
1976	FRAP (Milestone 10)	
	FRET (Milestone 11)	
1980	Calcium probes (Milestone 12)	

1981	Video-enhancement differential interference contrast (Milestone 8)	
	TIRF microscopy (Milestone 13)	
1983	Deconvolution microscopy (Milestone 14)	<a href="#">Agard and Sedat</a>
1987	Realization of confocal microscopy (Milestone 9)	<b>AFM</b> <a href="#">Calvin Quate</a>
1990	Two-photon microscopy (Milestone 15)	
1993	Light sheet microscopy (Milestone 16)	<a href="#">Ernst Stelzer</a>
	Single molecule microscopy (Milestone 17)	
1994	GFP (Milestone 18)	<a href="#">Martie Chalfie</a> <a href="#">Roger Chen</a>
1997	Fluorescent protein-based biosensors (Milestone 19)	
1999	Red fluorescent proteins (Milestone 20)	<a href="#">Roger Chen</a>
2000	Breaking the diffraction limit: STED (Milestone 21)	<a href="#">Stefan Hell</a>
2002	Photoactivatable fluorescent proteins (Milestone 20)	<a href="#">Jennifer Lippincott-Schwartz</a>
2006	Breaking the diffraction limit: PALM/STORM (Milestone 21)	

**2000** 3D-SIM  
[Mats Gustafsson](#)  
[John Sedat](#)





Lynn Hill  
El Capitan  
Yosemite



# PSF: Don't miss the point

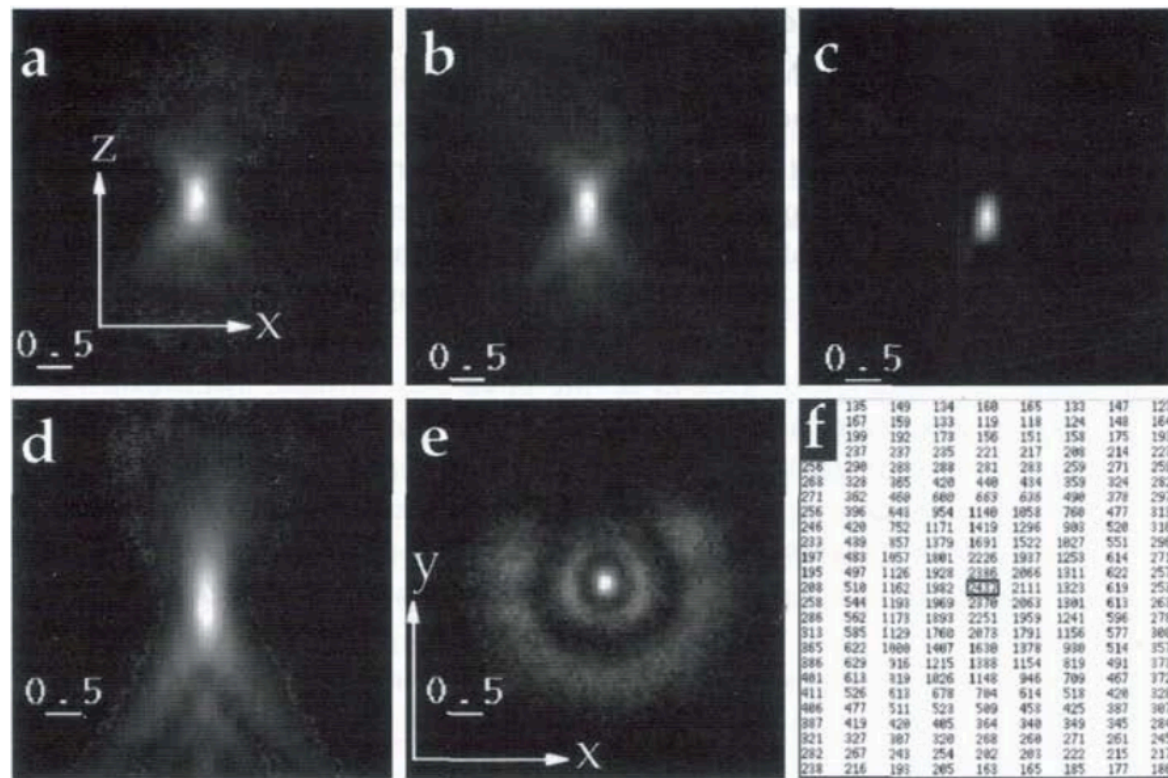
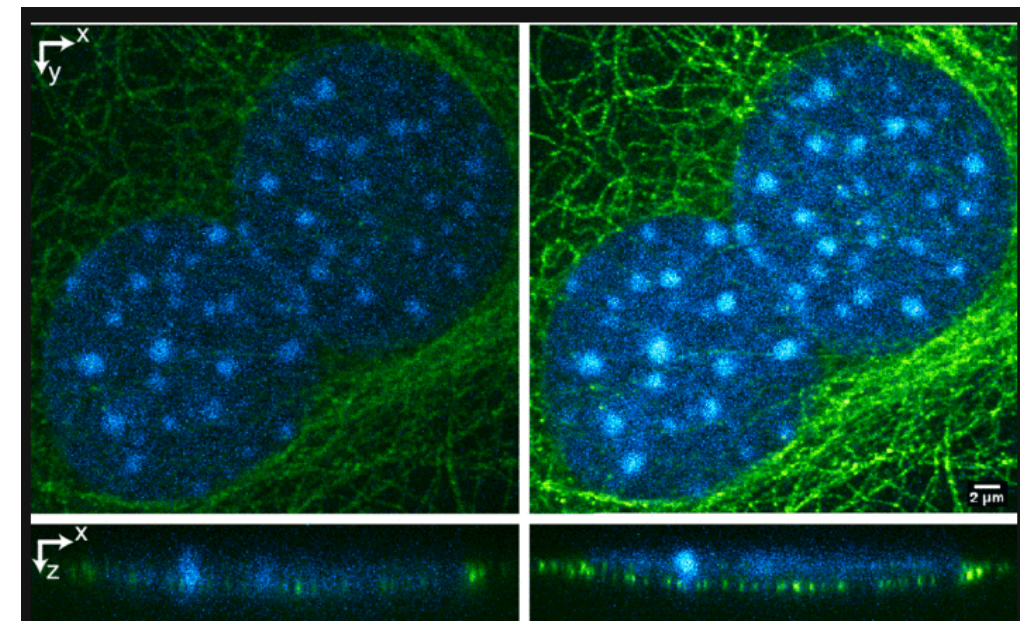


Figure 3. Examples of PSF of 0.1 μm fluorescent beads mounted in glycerol and imaged

## Visualizing fluorescence in *Drosophila*—optimal detection in thick specimens

ILAN DAVIS 2000

Reference: Chapter 6 in *Protein Localization by Fluorescence Microscopy - a practical approach*. Editor: V.J. Allan, OUP, 2000. pp. 133-162  
ISBN (Pbk) 0-19-963740-7 ISBN (Hbk) 0-19-963741-5



## Automated spherical aberration correction in scanning confocal microscopy

Review of Scientific Instruments 85, 123706 (2014); <https://doi.org/10.1063/1.4904370>

H. W. Yoo<sup>1,2, a)</sup>, M. E. van Royen<sup>3</sup>, W. A. van Cappellen<sup>3</sup>, A. B. Houtsmuller<sup>3</sup>, M. Verhaegen<sup>1</sup>, and G. Schitter<sup>2</sup>

No spherical aberration

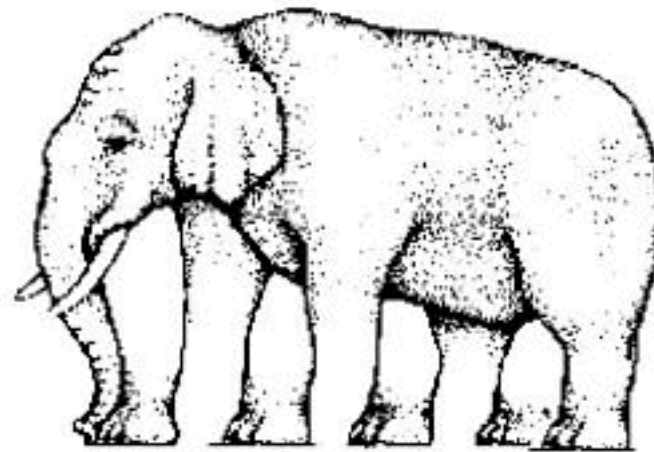


Spherical aberration





# **Seeing is not believing: Quantitate before you believe**



Negative controls are essential to  
Discount autofluorescence / cross reaction of antibodies

# Photon budget: every photon counts



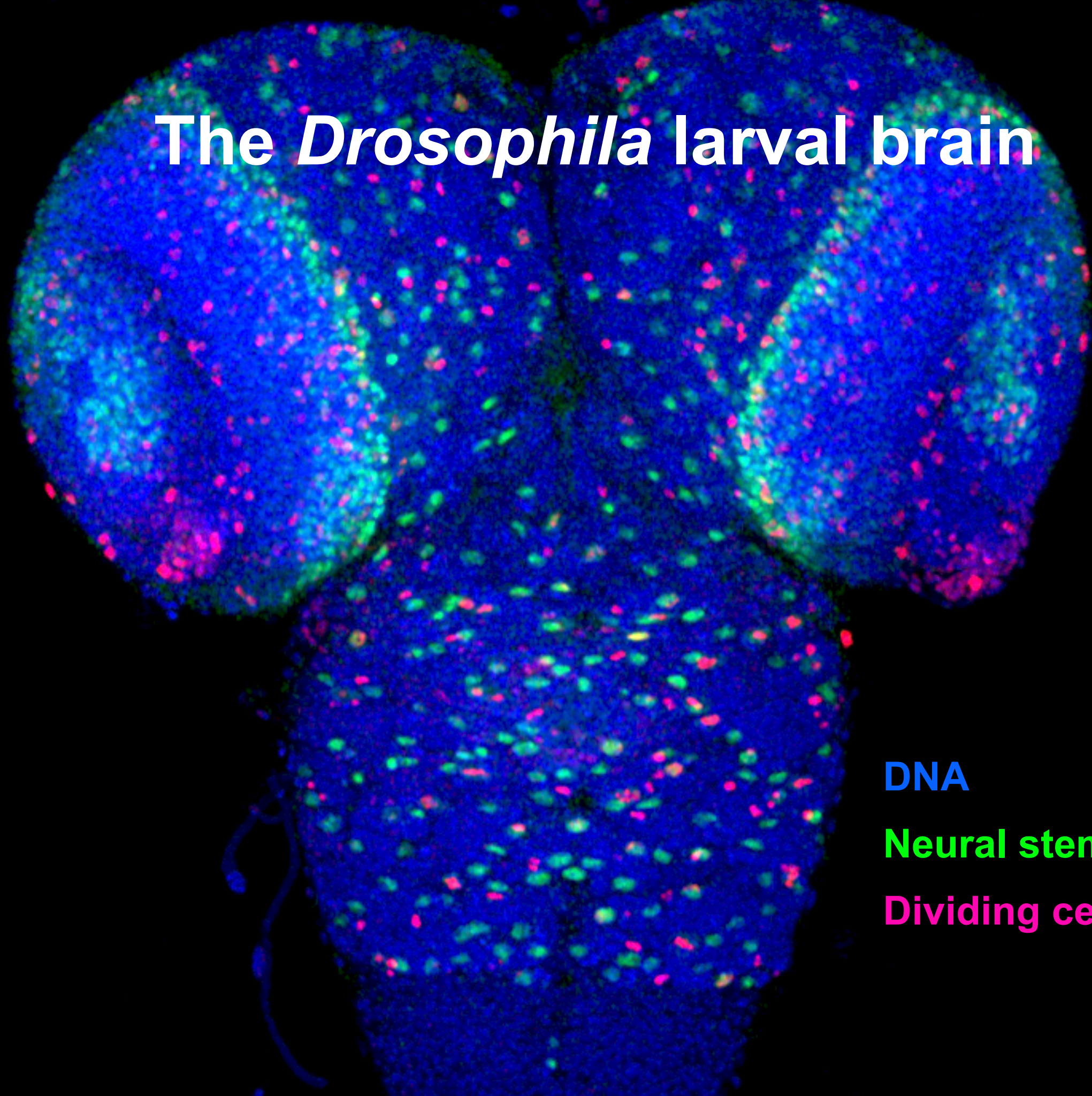
Signal : noise ratio

$$n / \sqrt{n}$$

Pretty pictures  
Are not the  
only choice



# The *Drosophila* larval brain



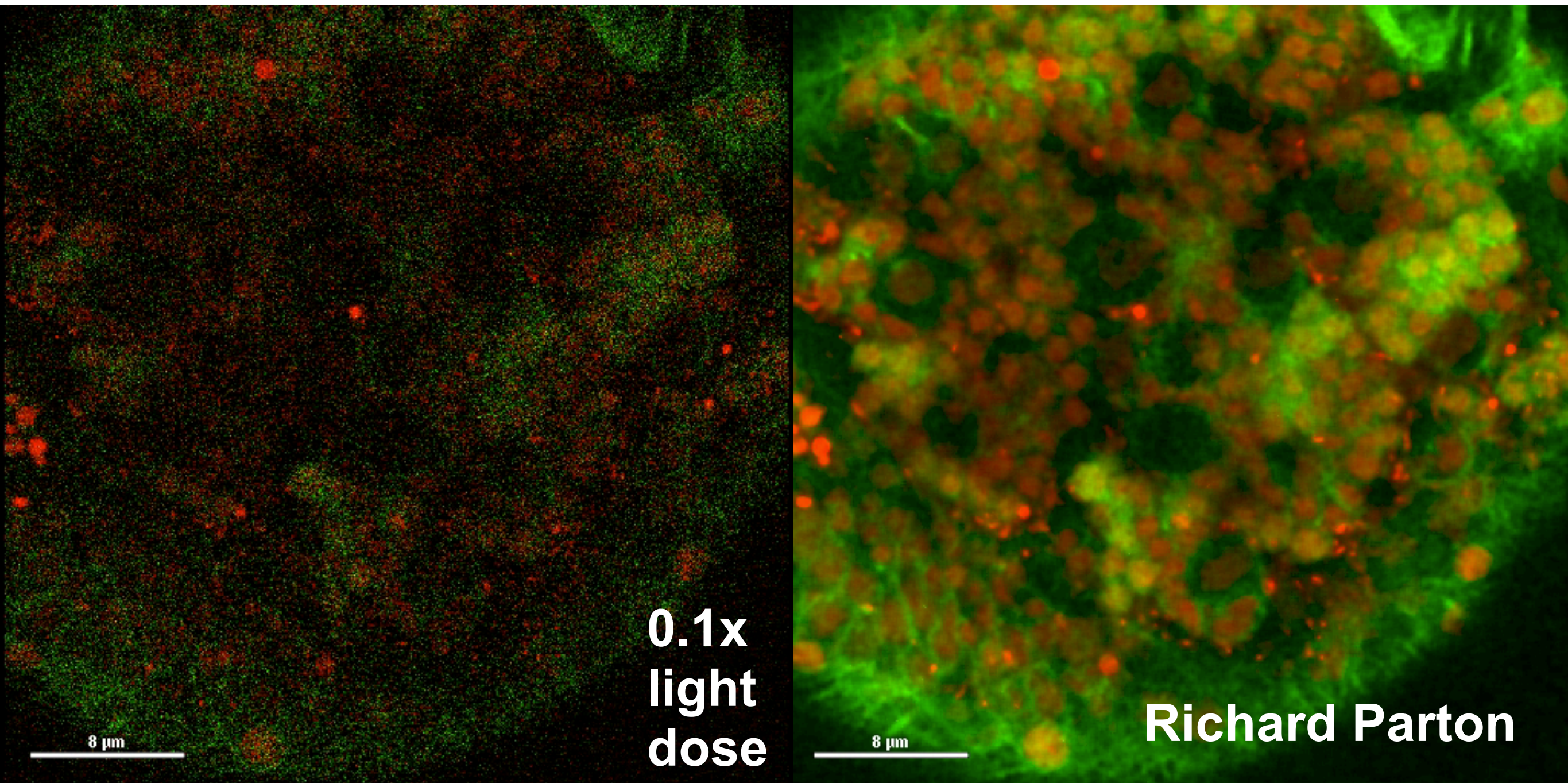
DNA

Neural stem cells

Dividing cells



# Patch-based denoising



**Charles Kervrann, Jérôme Boulanger**

**John Sedat : Carlton et al. (2010) PNAS 107: 16016**



**Explanted  
cultured  
larval  
brain**

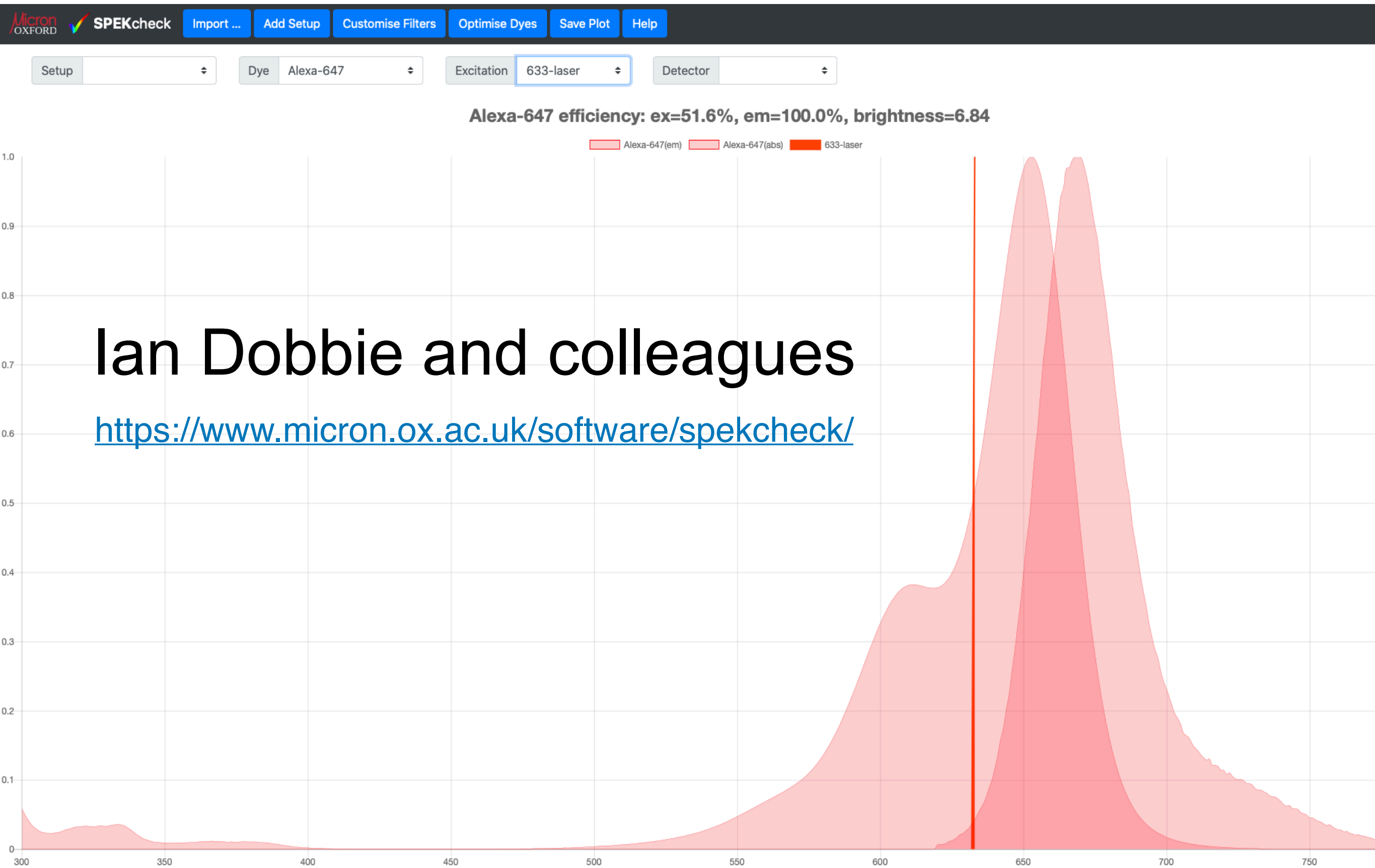
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volumes / hr  
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(1 Z section  
displayed)

50GB  
Movie

**His-RFP (chromatin)**  
**Jup-GFP (microtubules)**

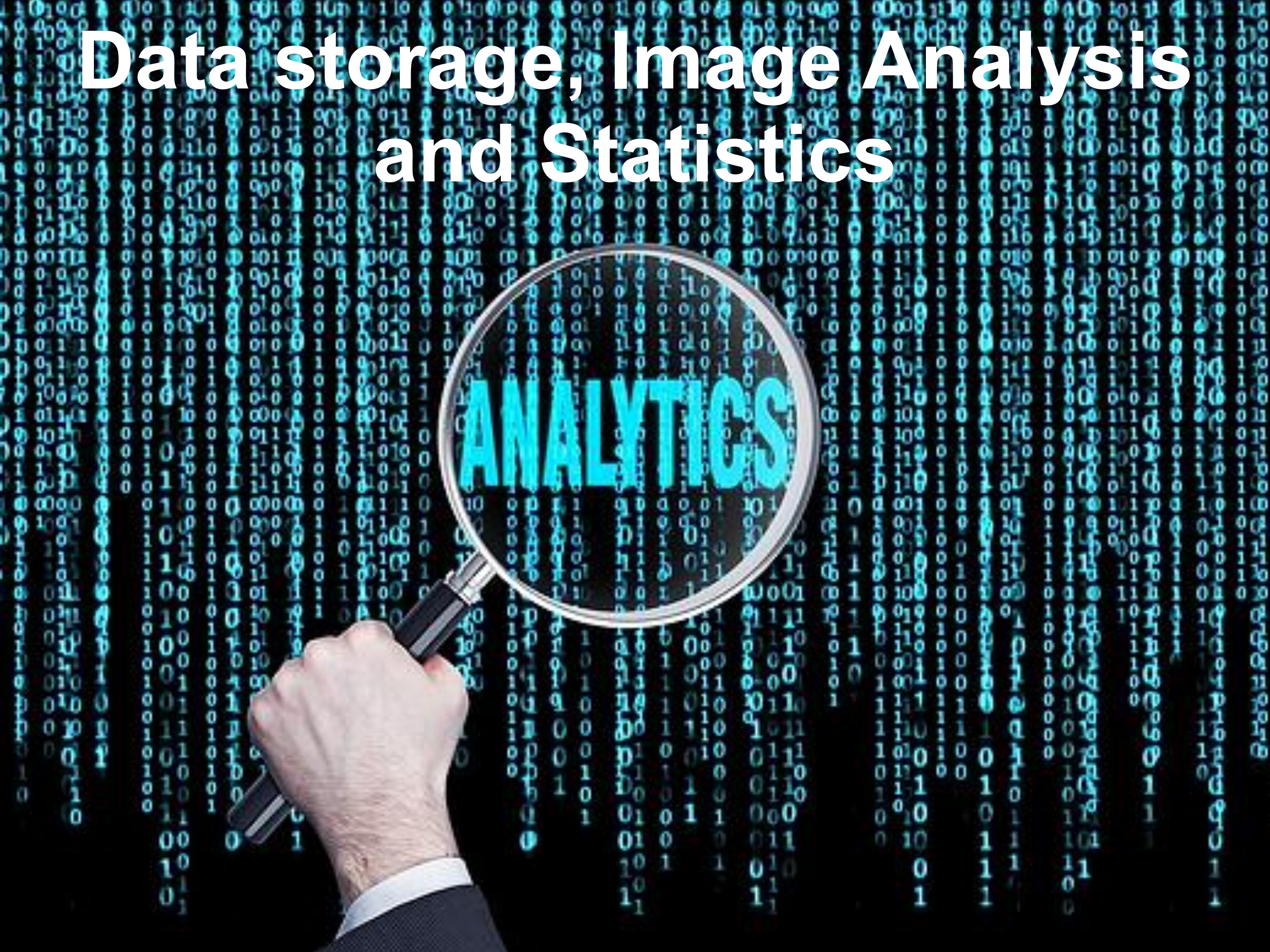
Hailstone et al.  
(Davis)  
eLife 2020

# Light sources and filters: catch the wave





# Data storage, Image Analysis and Statistics





**If you get stuck - ask for help**

**Thanks for listening  
Enjoy the course**

**Nirmal Purja**





