

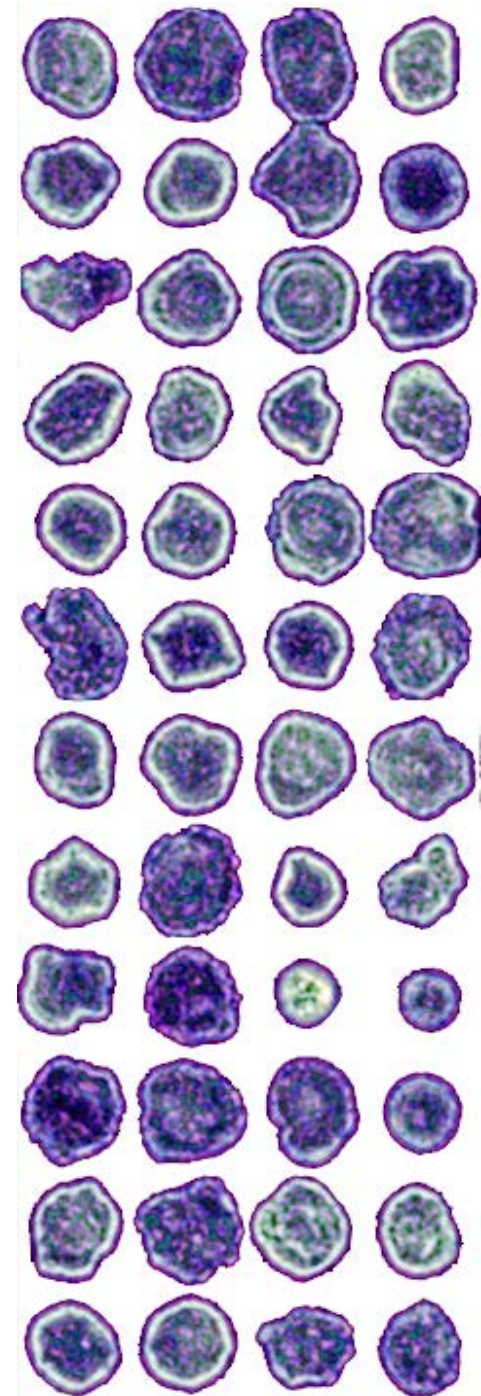
# TIRFm

(Total Internal Reflectance Fluorescence  
Microscopy)

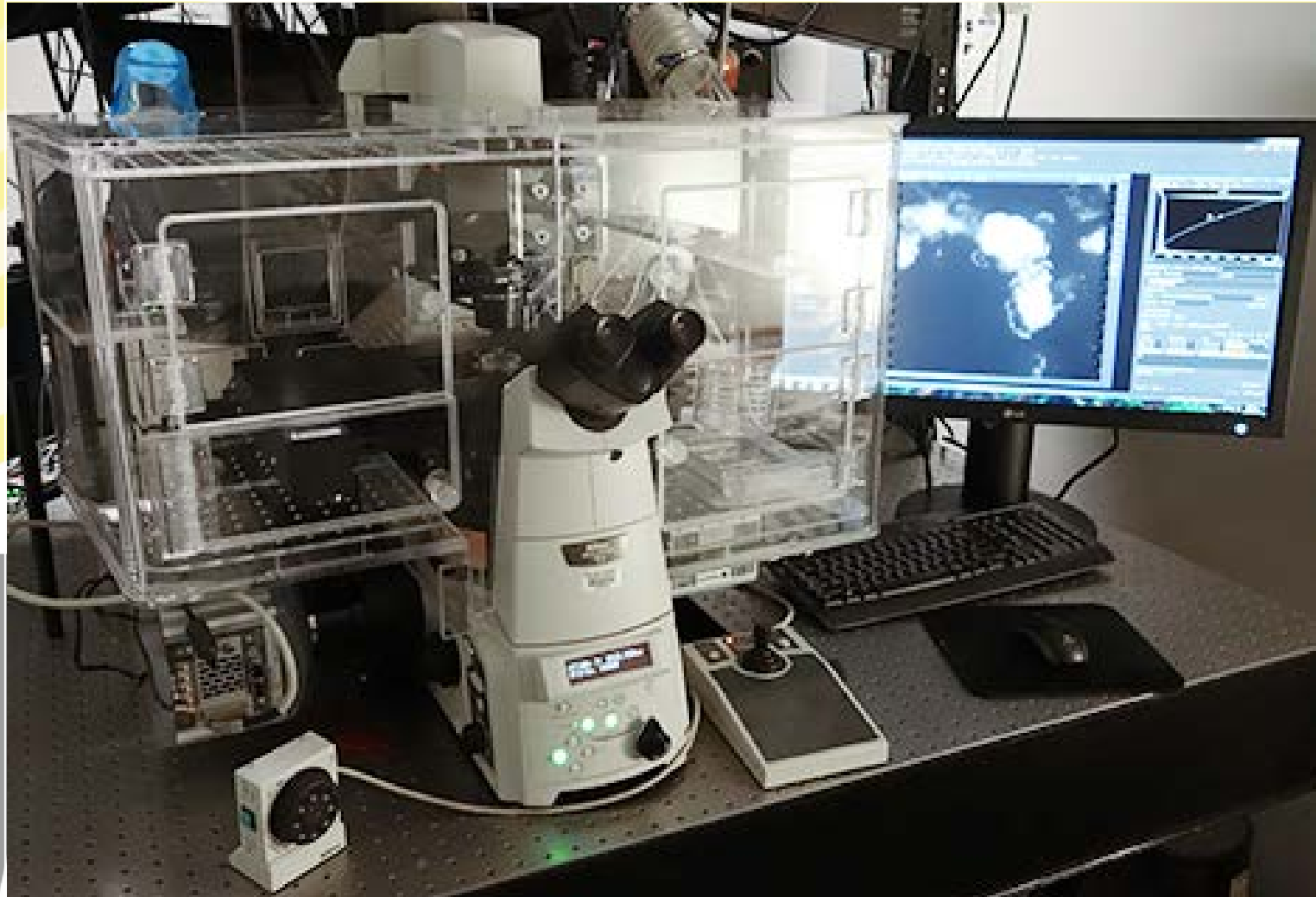
New at the OCS Microscopy  
Core

Lunch Talk March 2015

Michael Cammer



# Nikon Eclipse Ti microscope



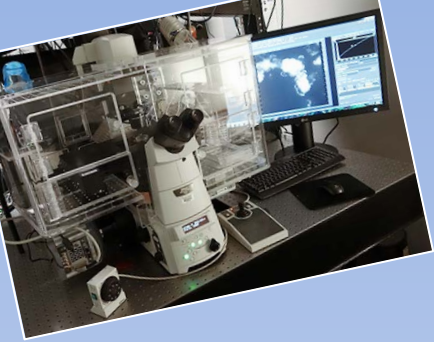
A fluorescence microscopy image showing several cells. The cells are primarily green, with some red puncta visible within them. The background is dark. The text 'History' is overlaid on a semi-transparent dark box in the upper center.

# History

2010: Purchased with lasers for TIRF by Dr. Michael Dustin

2014: Transferred to Microscopy Core and upgraded by OCS for epifluorescence (LED light sources, new computer, additional lenses & sCMOS camera)

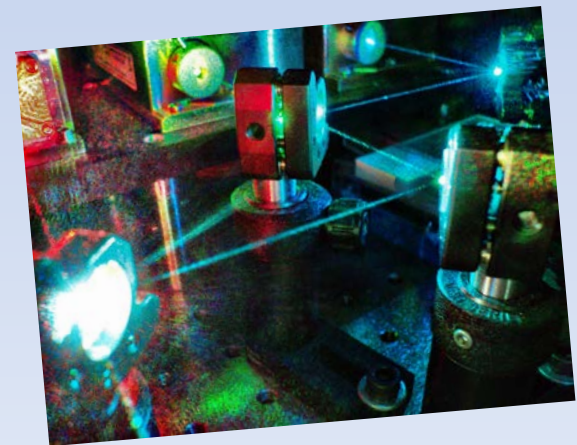


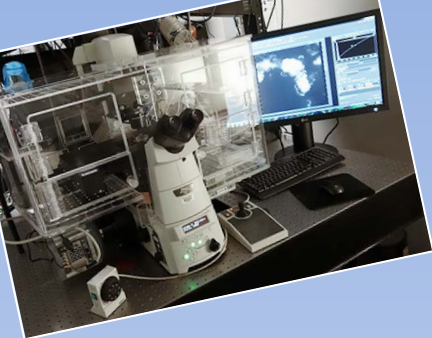


# Technical Details



- Nikon Eclipse Ti inverted microscope
- Environment chamber with heat unit
- Motorized stage for tiling and multiple fields imaging
- Autofocus stability
- NIS-Elements software

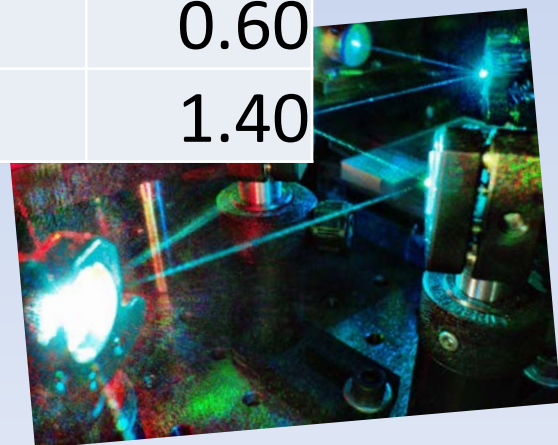


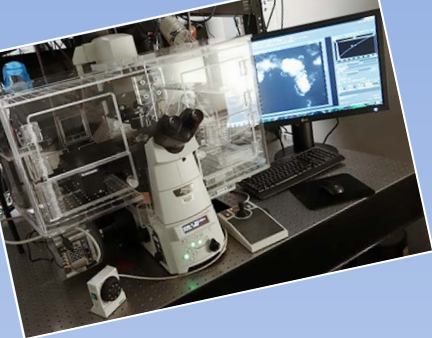


# Technical Details



<u>Lens Type</u>	<u>N.A.</u>
Plan Fluor <b>40x</b> DIC M N2	0.75
Apo TIRF <b>100x</b> Oil DIC N2	1.49
Plan Fluor <b>10x</b> Ph1 DLL	0.30
Plan Apo <b>20x</b> DIC M N2	0.75
S Plan Fluor ELWD <b>40x</b> Ph2 ADM	0.60
Plan Apo $\lambda$ <b>60x</b> Oil Ph3 DM	1.40





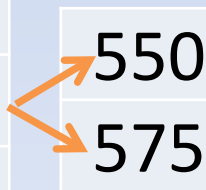
# Technical Details

Standard Epifluorescence with  
Andor Zyla sCMOS Camera



Excitation  
wavelengths

<u>nm</u>
395
440
508
550
555
640



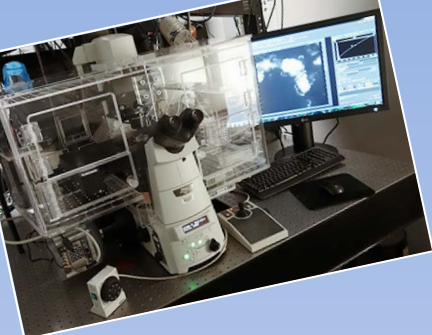
Dichroics

CFP/YFP/Dsred  
Dapi/FITC/  
TxRed/Cy5



Emission  
wavelengths

<u>nm</u>
435/26
475/20
515/30
540/21
595/40
632/60
700/75



# Technical Details

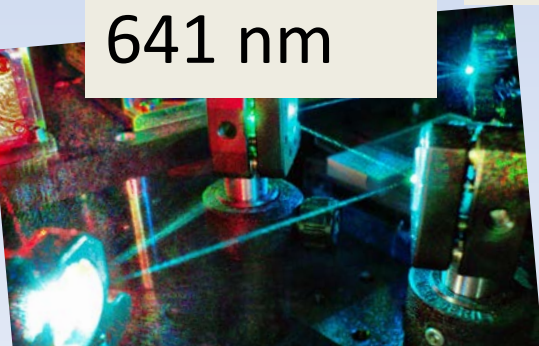
TIRF with Andor DU897 Camera



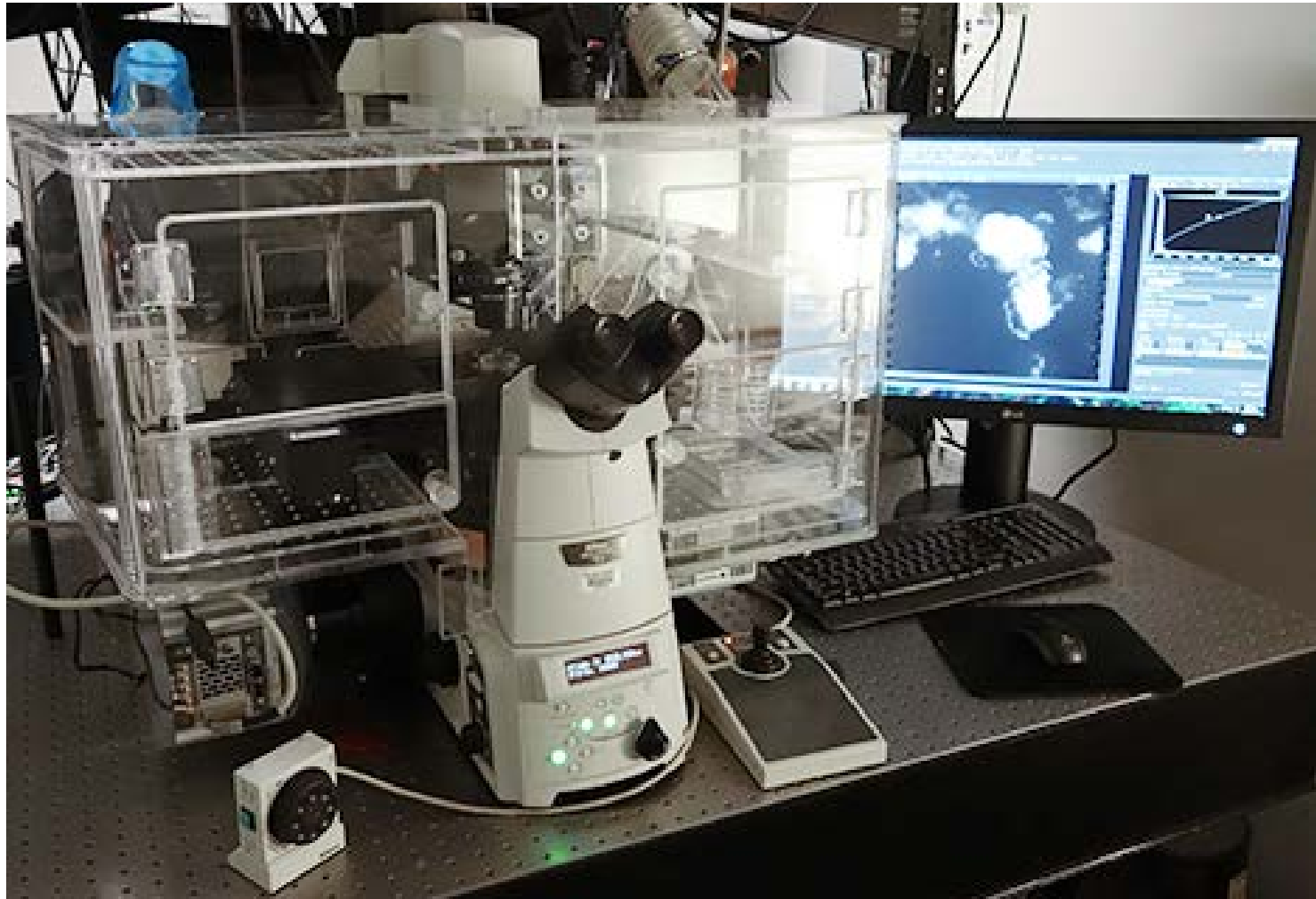
Excitation  
Lasers  
405 nm  
488 nm  
561 nm  
641 nm

Chroma 97327 C-TIRF  
zet405/488/561/635x  
quad-band clean-  
up/excitation filter  
zt405/488/561/640rpc

Filters in external  
emission wheel:  
ET450/40M  
ET525/50M  
ET600/50M  
ET700/75M

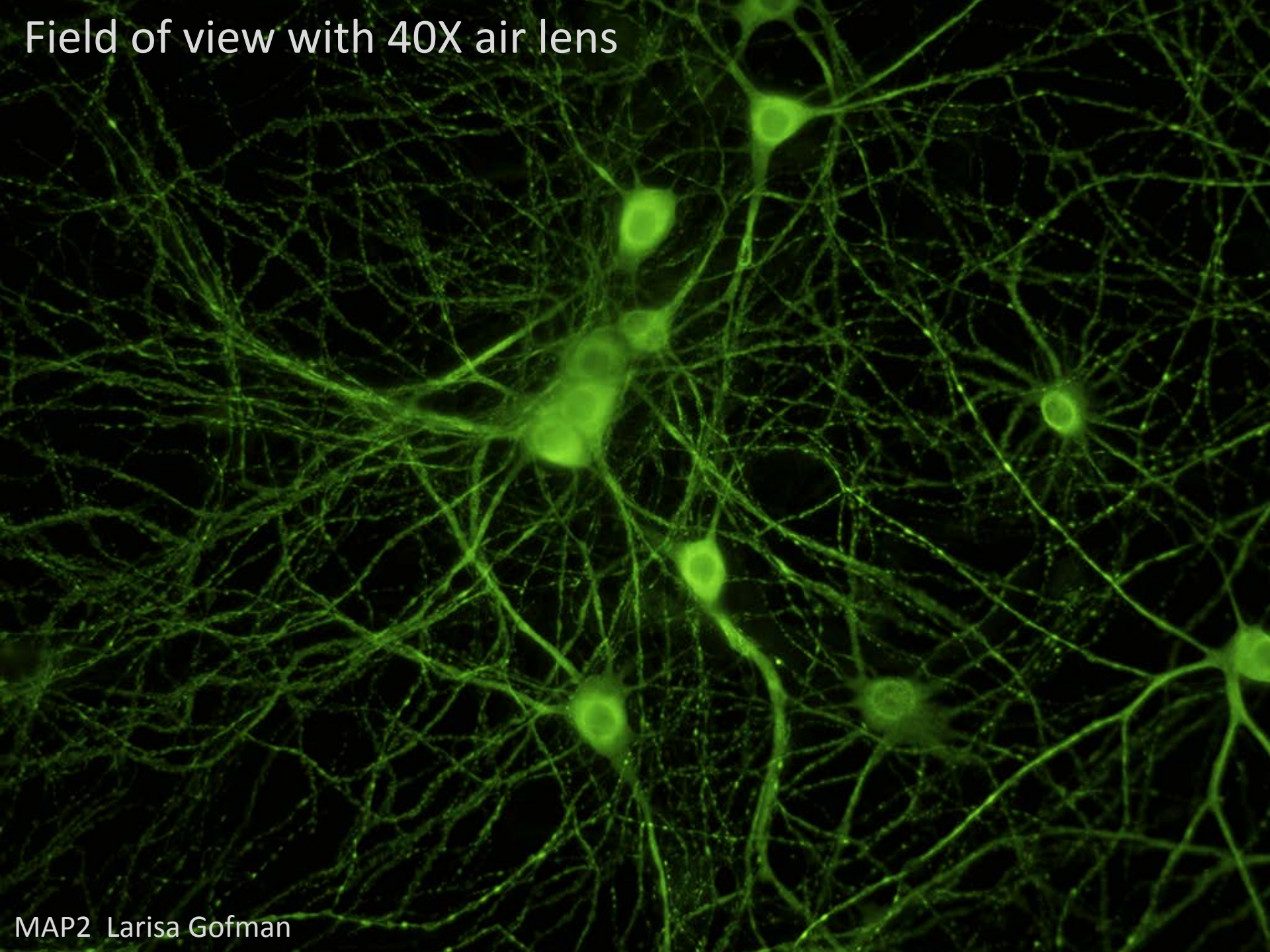


Before we discuss TIRF, highlights of the Nikon microscope in standard modes.



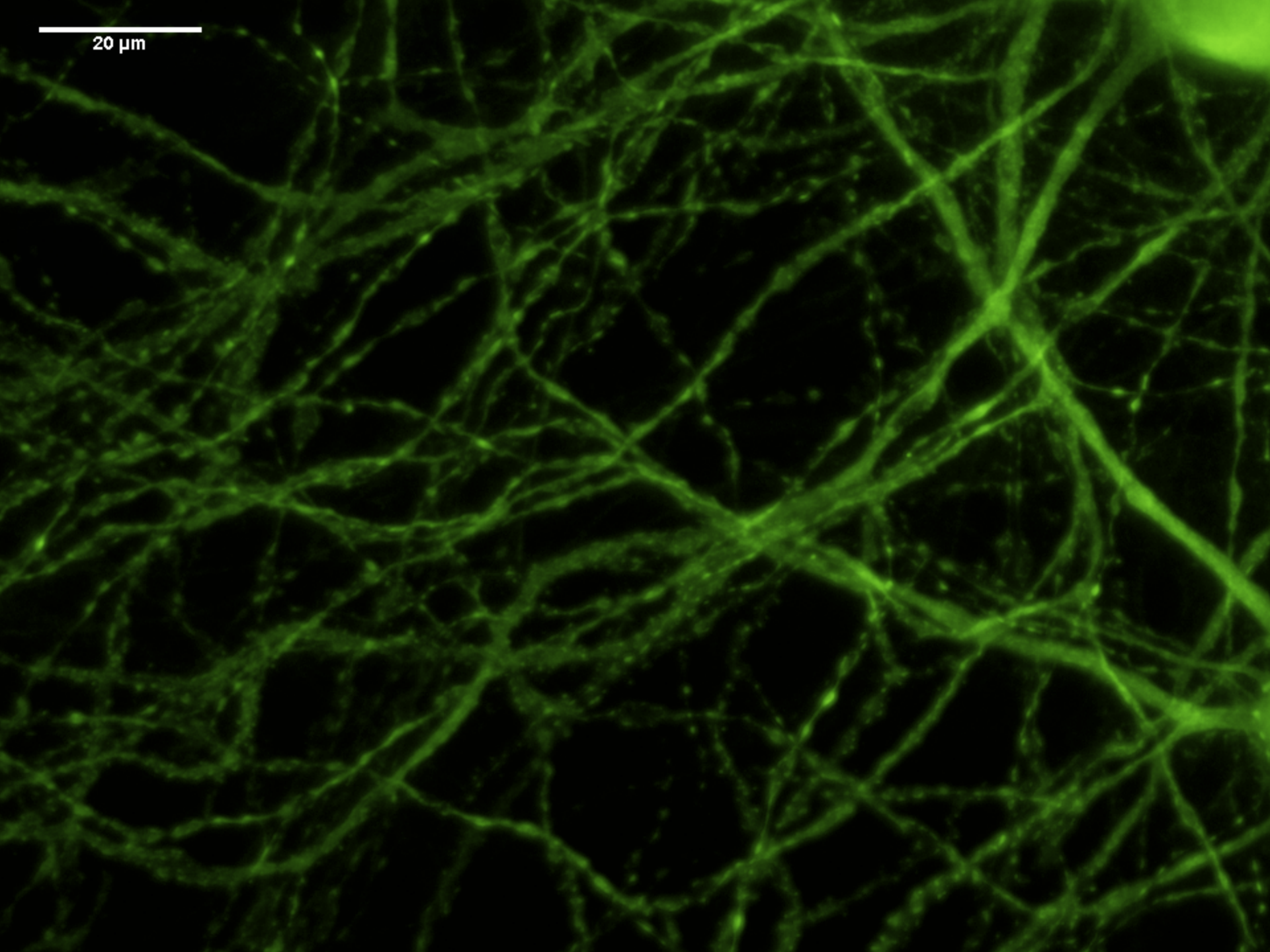


Field of view with 40X air lens





20  $\mu\text{m}$





# Large Tissue Scanning

NIS-Elements AR [Current user: Nikon] - [brain\_slice\_Gmouseoptimalpathimagereg.tif]

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DU-897 Zyla 1.00x

SRIC DAPI-ZYLA HS GFP-ZYLA GFP-ZYLA HS RFP-ZYLA RFP-ZYLA HS CY5-ZYLA CY5-ZYLA HS BF-ZYLA BF-IXON 10X 20X 40X 40X-ELWD 60X 100X Customize

488 TIRF 488 TIRF HSN 405 TIRF HSN 405 TIRF 561 TIRF 561 TIRF HSN 640 TIRF HSN 640 TIRF DAPI-IXON HS GFP-IXON HS RFP-IXON HS CY5-IXON HS

**Spectra Pad**

Wavelength [nm]	Intensity [%]
1: 395 nm	100.0
2: 440 nm	100.0
3: 470 nm	99.0
4: 508 nm	100.0
5: 555 nm	87.0
6: 640 nm	100.0

**XYZ Overview**

ND Acquisition Overview Focus Surface Document Overview

AOI: 55.00 mm x 37.50 mm, Scan Area: 0.41 mm x 0.35 mm

**brain\_slice\_Gmouseoptimalpathimagereg.tif**

1:1 13%

**DU-897 Settl...** Annotations and Measurements

Format Binning 2x2

Auto Exposure 37 ms

1 frame for Fast Timelapse

Readout Mode Rolling shutter

Readout Rate 560 MHz

Dynamic Range 12-bit & Gain 1

Sensor Mode Normal

Limit Maximum FPS to 25 < 21.3 FPS

Spurious Noise Filter

Temperature -0.4 °C

Commands

**ND Acquisition** **Ti Pad** AOTF Laser Setup

**Nosepiece**

10x 20x 40x 40x 60x 100x

**Light Path**

E100 On Memory Recall

L100 R100 B100

Focus Offset: 14718

Dichroic Mirror: In

**Z Drive**

Move by step[μm]: Z[μm]:

0.1 1 10 20.0 2036.7

Accuracy[μm]: 0.000

**Lamps**

DIA 3.0 10.5 [V]

TIRF 0.0 6525.4

Coarse Fine Extra Fine

**Shutters**

DIA

**Filters**

Turret1

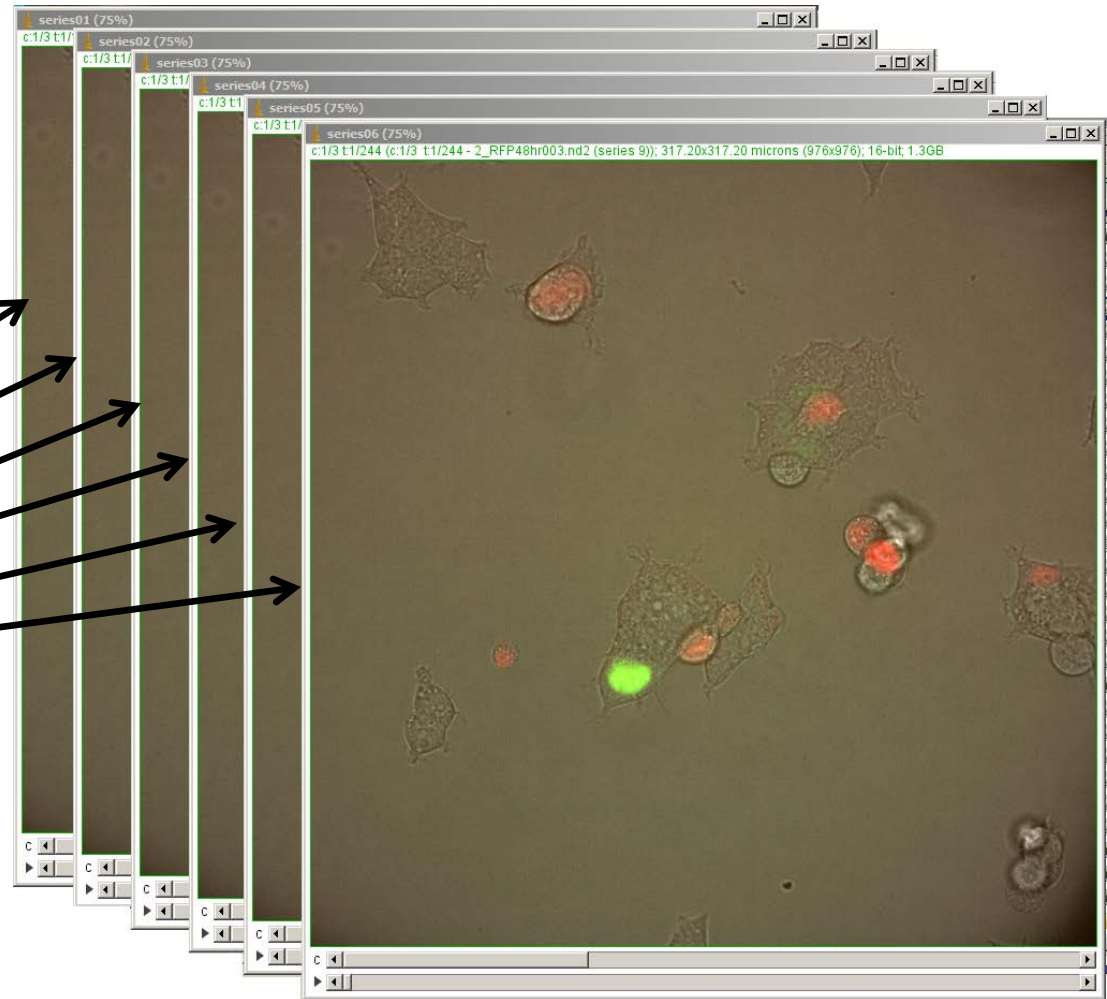
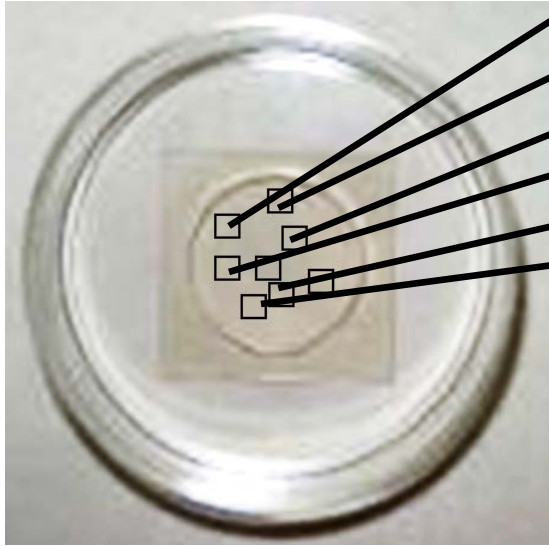
RFP-ZYLA HS 0.32 μm/px Mono 12bit: 6738 x 5682 pixels [N/A]

Plan Fluor 40x DIC M N2 (0.16 μm/px @ 2560 x 2160)

XY=[-0.412, -0.240]mm

# Multiple Field Timelapse

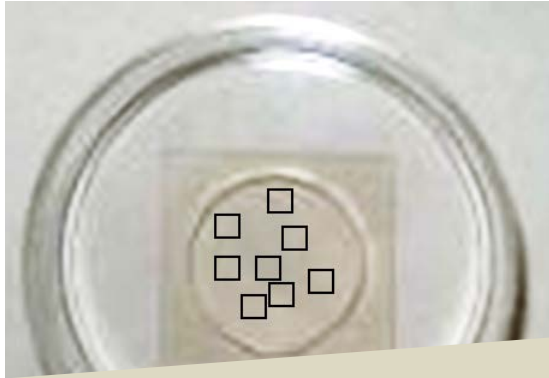
- Multiple Colors
- Multiple fields
- Timelapse





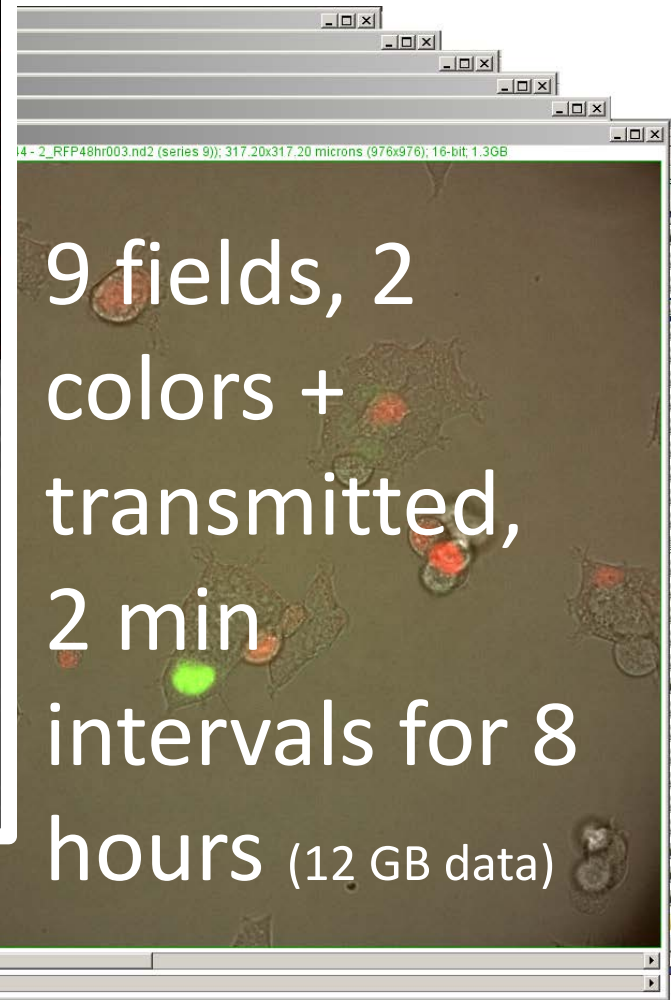
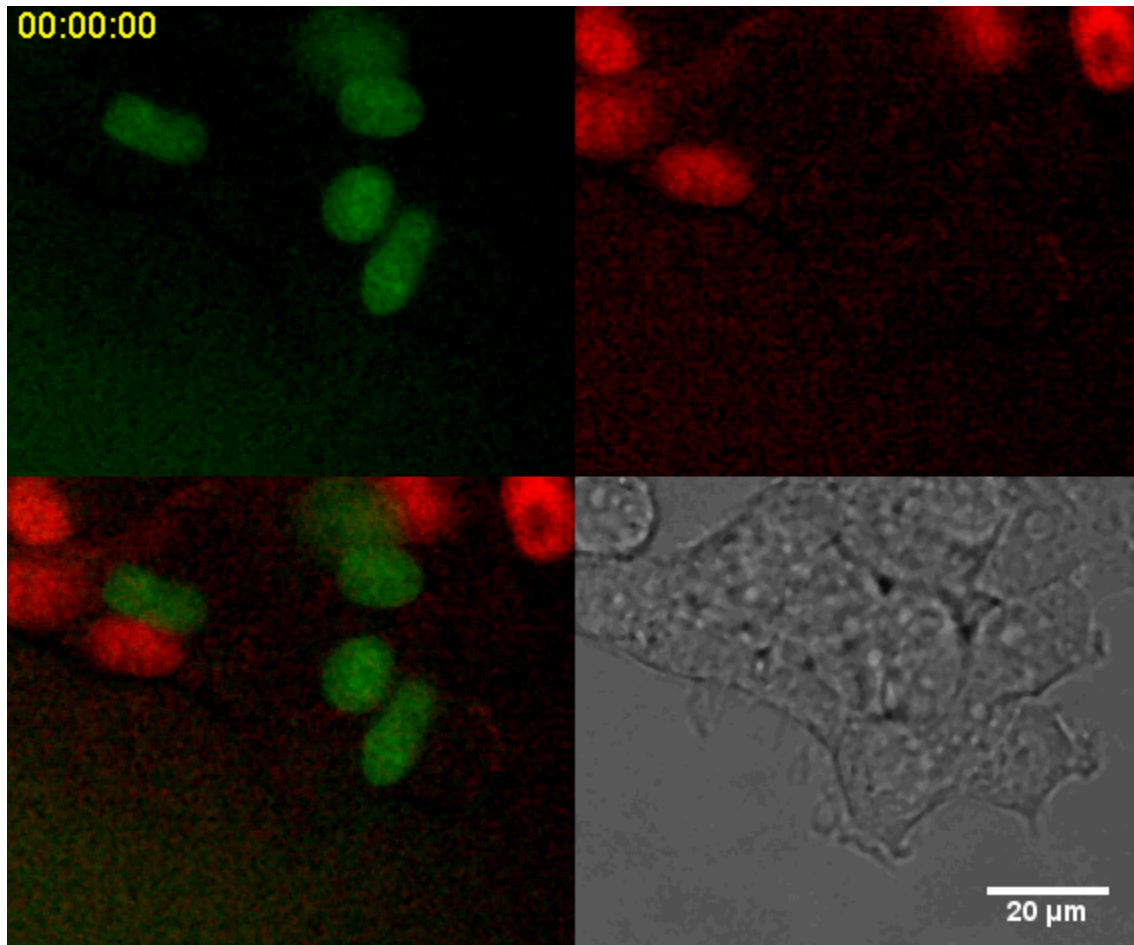
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- Multiple fields
- Timelapse



Find a lot of events for statistics or find rare events

# Multiple Field Timelapse



Find rare events

# Live Cell Imaging Techniques Workshop

**Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m.**

**Seminar @Skirball 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Conference Room**

**2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.**

**Hands-On Demonstrations (Microscopy Core)**



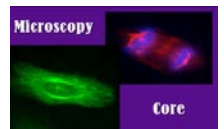
The CellASIC™ ONIX Microfluidic Platform. The control system is connected to the microfluidic plate via a low-profile manifold, which enables setup on any inverted microscope.



The CellASIC™ ONIX Microfluidic Plates deliver unprecedented control for live cell imaging.

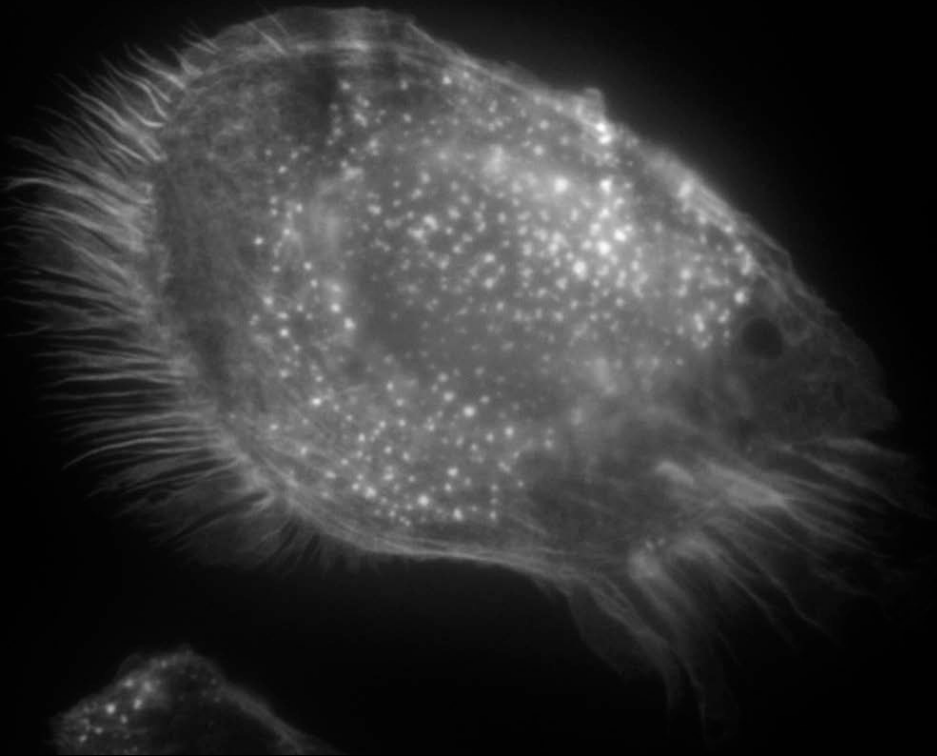
- ❖ The microfluidic platform is designed to enable perfusion based microenvironment control for long term, high quality live cell microscopy.
- ❖ Continuous perfusion of culture medium to the cells recreates the physiologic mass transport condition for optimized cell health, giving a suitable growth environment for long-term experiments from 4-72 hours on the microscope stage.
- ❖ The system enables single or multi-cell tracking while automated perfusion controls washout, drug changes, and dynamic solution profiles.
- ❖ Temperature and CO<sub>2</sub> control is maintained by an on-chip microincubator.

**CELLASIC**  
*Bringing Microfluidics to Life*

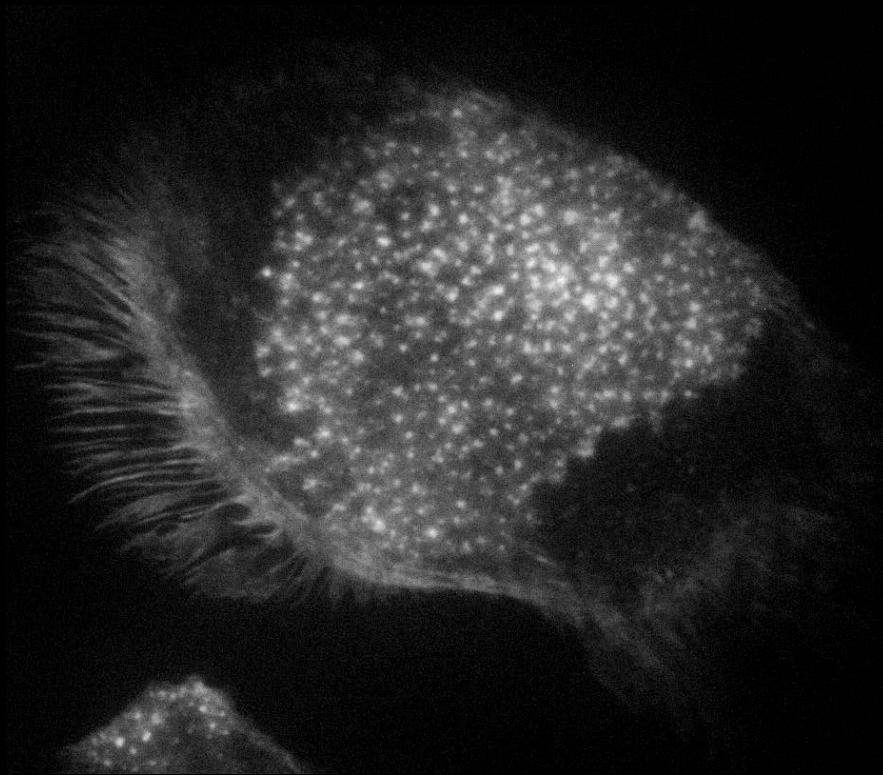


# TIRF (Total Internal Reflectance Fluorescence)

Standard Epifluorescence



TIRF



Higher contrast of  
molecules at substrate



# 50 to 200 nm Z Axis “Resolution”

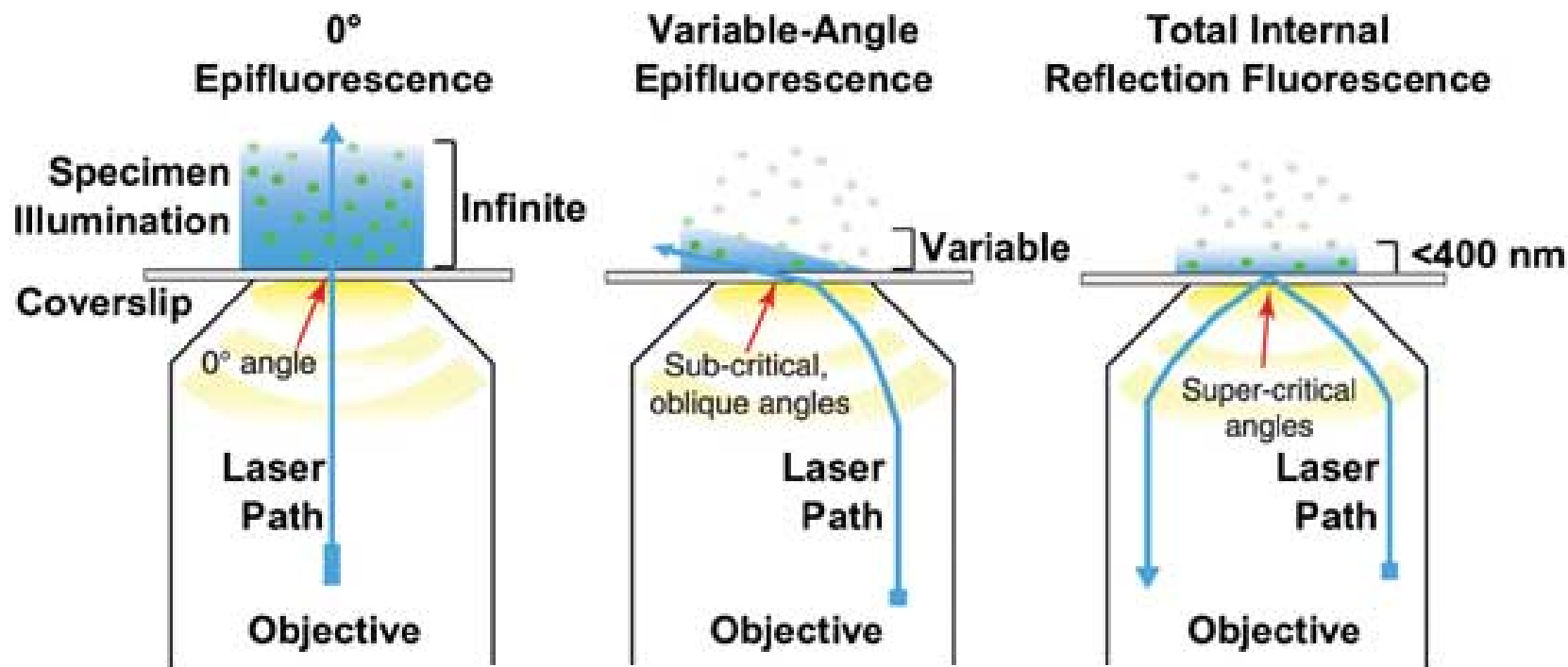
- Technically, the spatial resolution in the Z axis isn't improved.
- The energy activating the fluorescent molecules is limited to a depth of 200 nm maximum.
- Effectively, the result is imaging molecules only within 50 to 200 nm of the substrate, or *effective resolution* of 50 – 200 nm in the Z axis.

How do we do this?

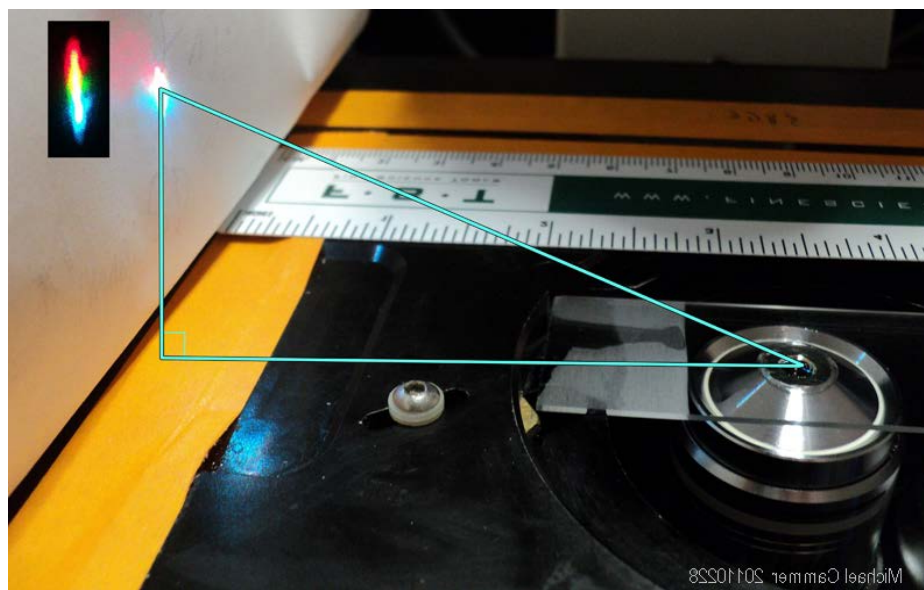
**Total Internal  
Reflectance  
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is based on an  
evanescent field that is  
produced at the critical  
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refractive indexes.



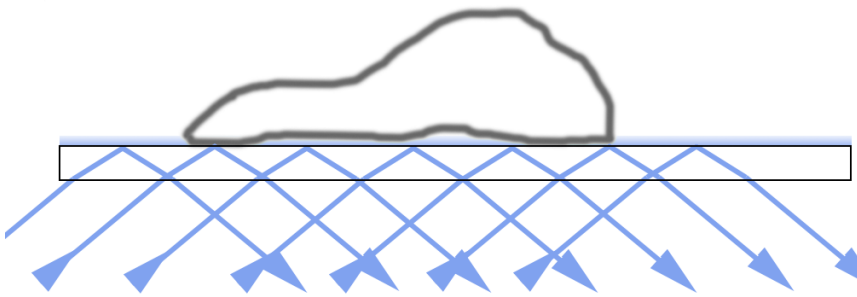
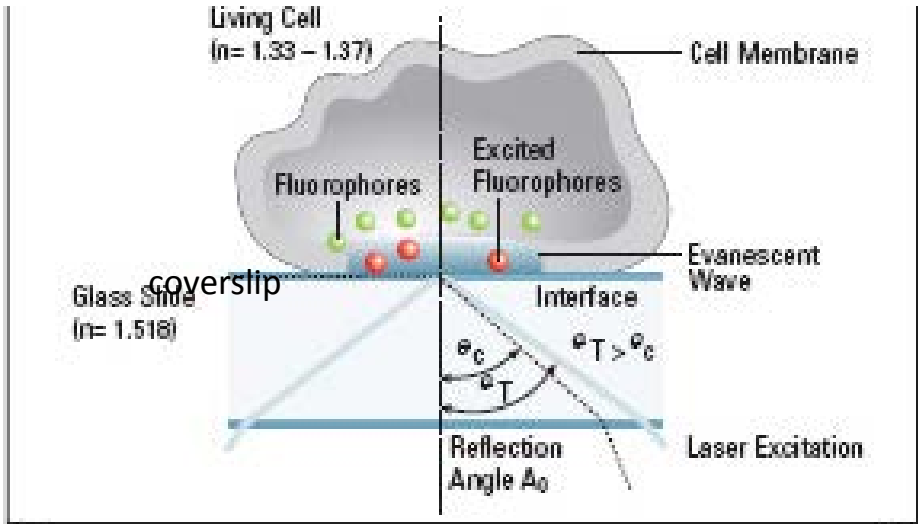
Three Worlds" 1955 by M.C. Escher



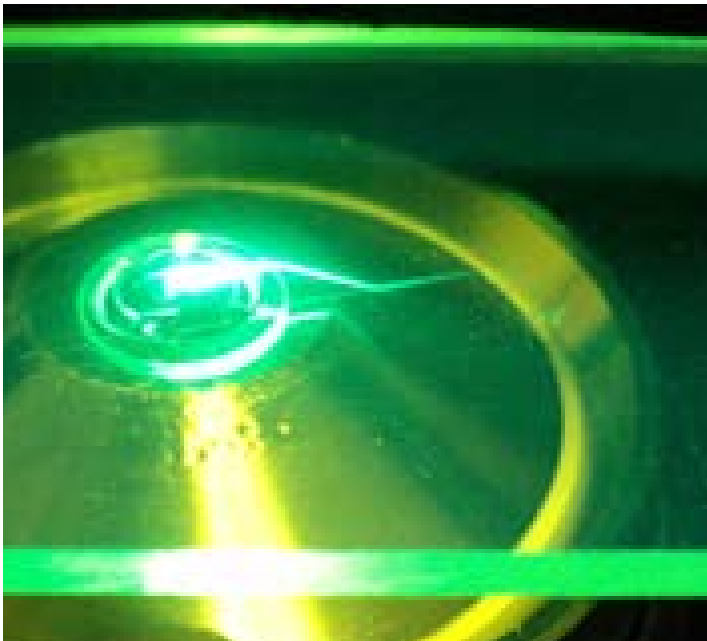
## Approaching Critical Angle



# How It Works



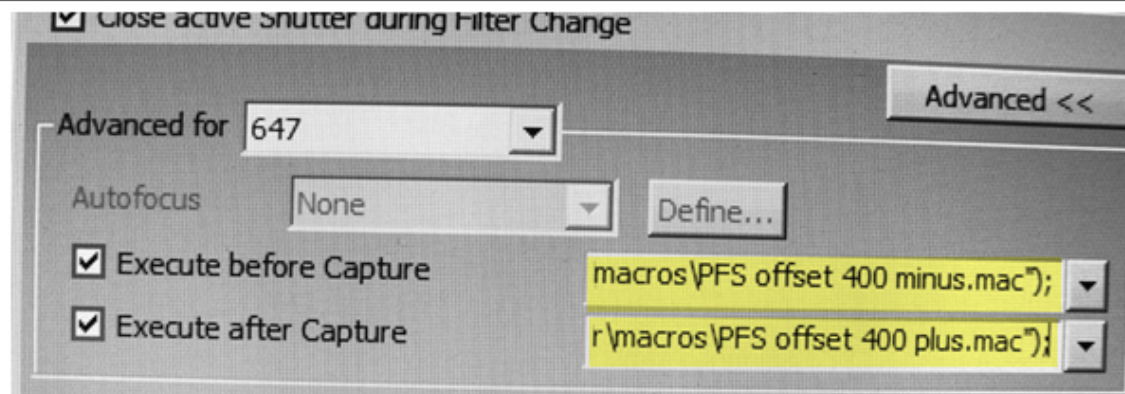
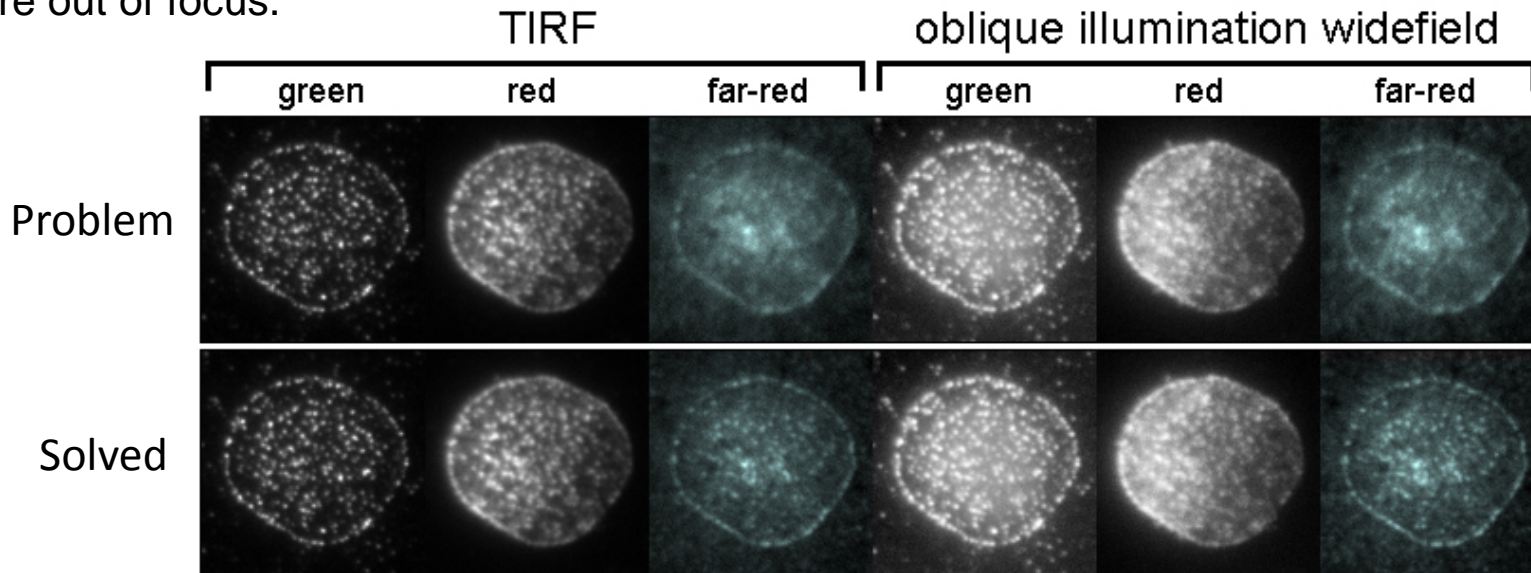
## Internal Reflection





# Chromatic Aberration

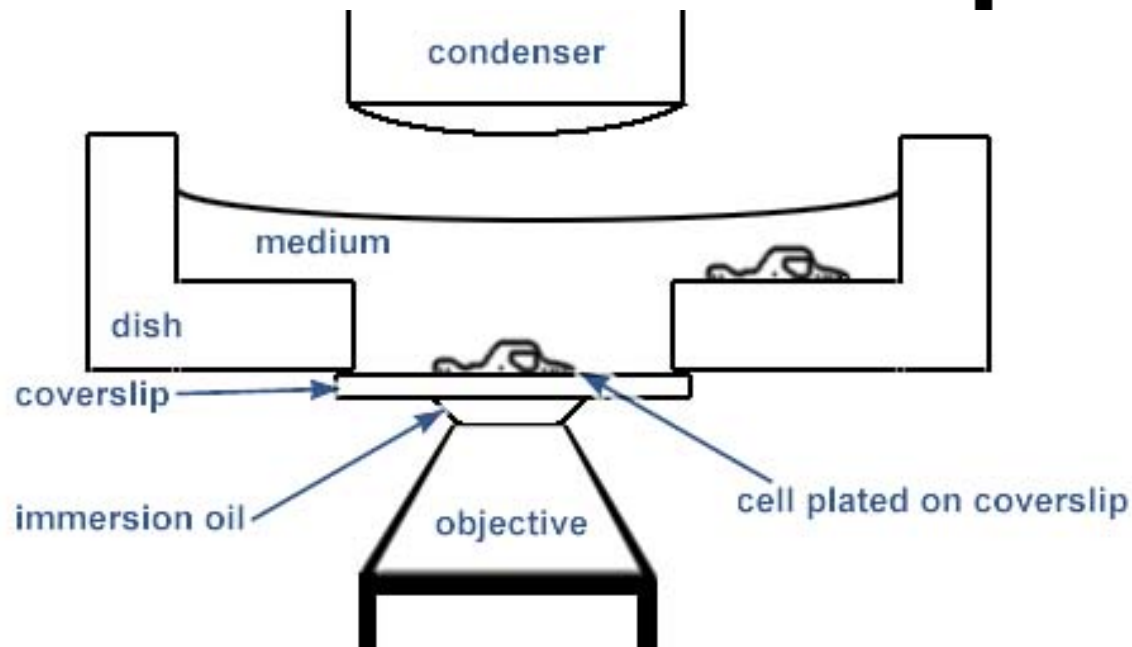
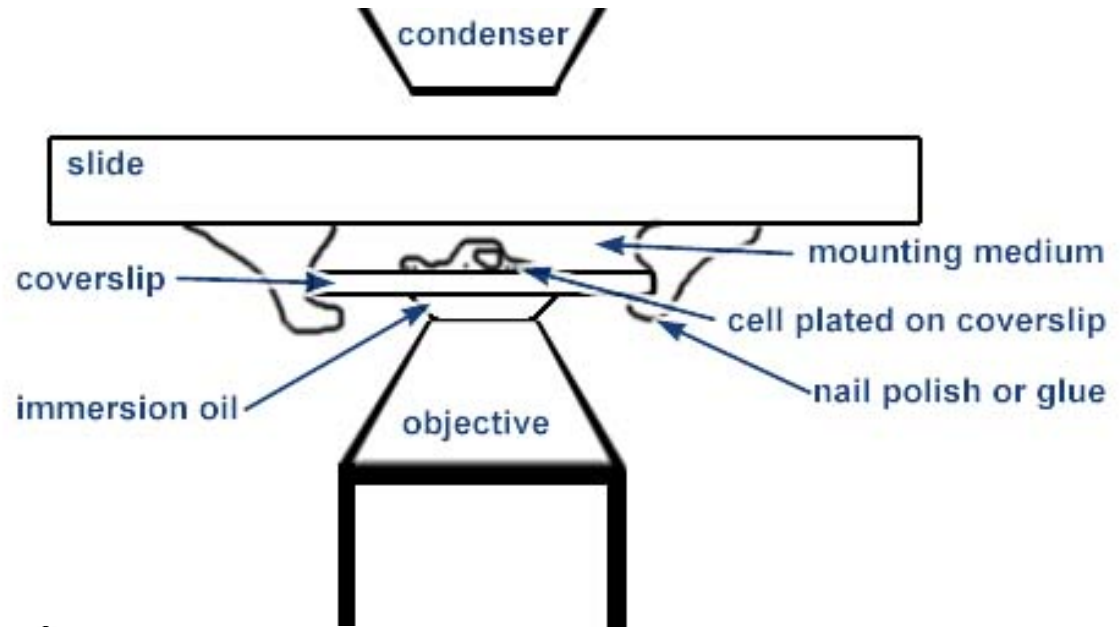
Different colors of light focus on different focal planes. This is a problem in microscopy where you want to take pictures of violet through near infra-red fluorescent emitters. When you focus on the green fluorescence, with all microscopes to some extent the violet and far-red images are out of focus.



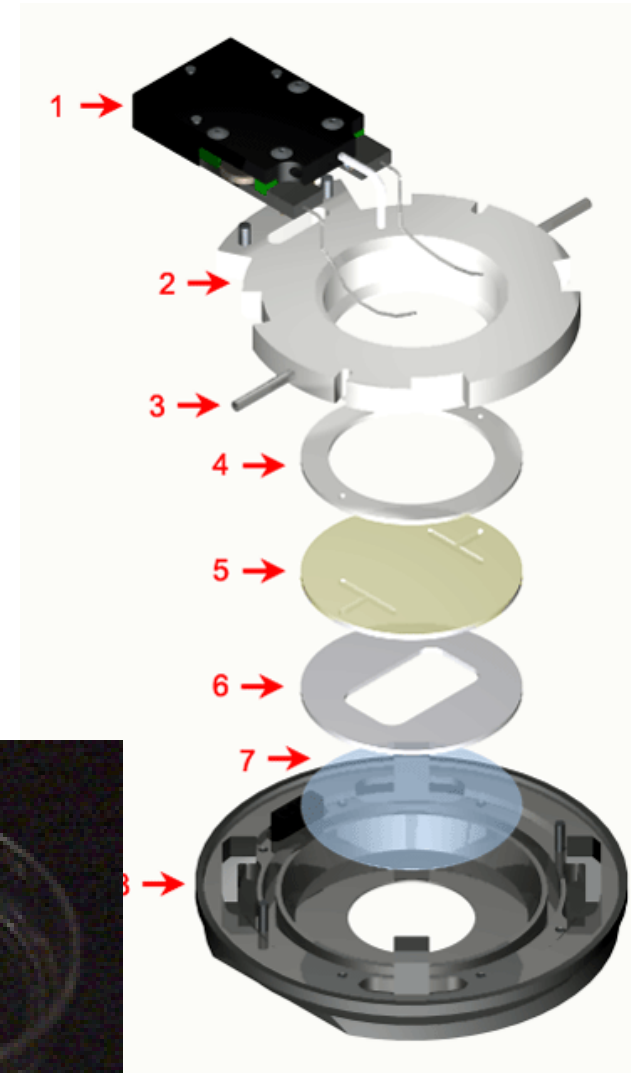
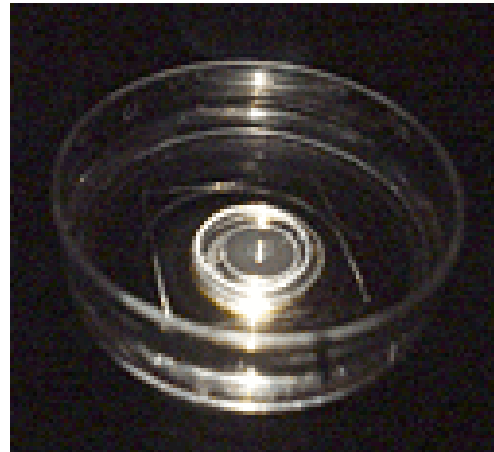
# Practicalities

## # 1.5 coverslip

Not #0, not #1...

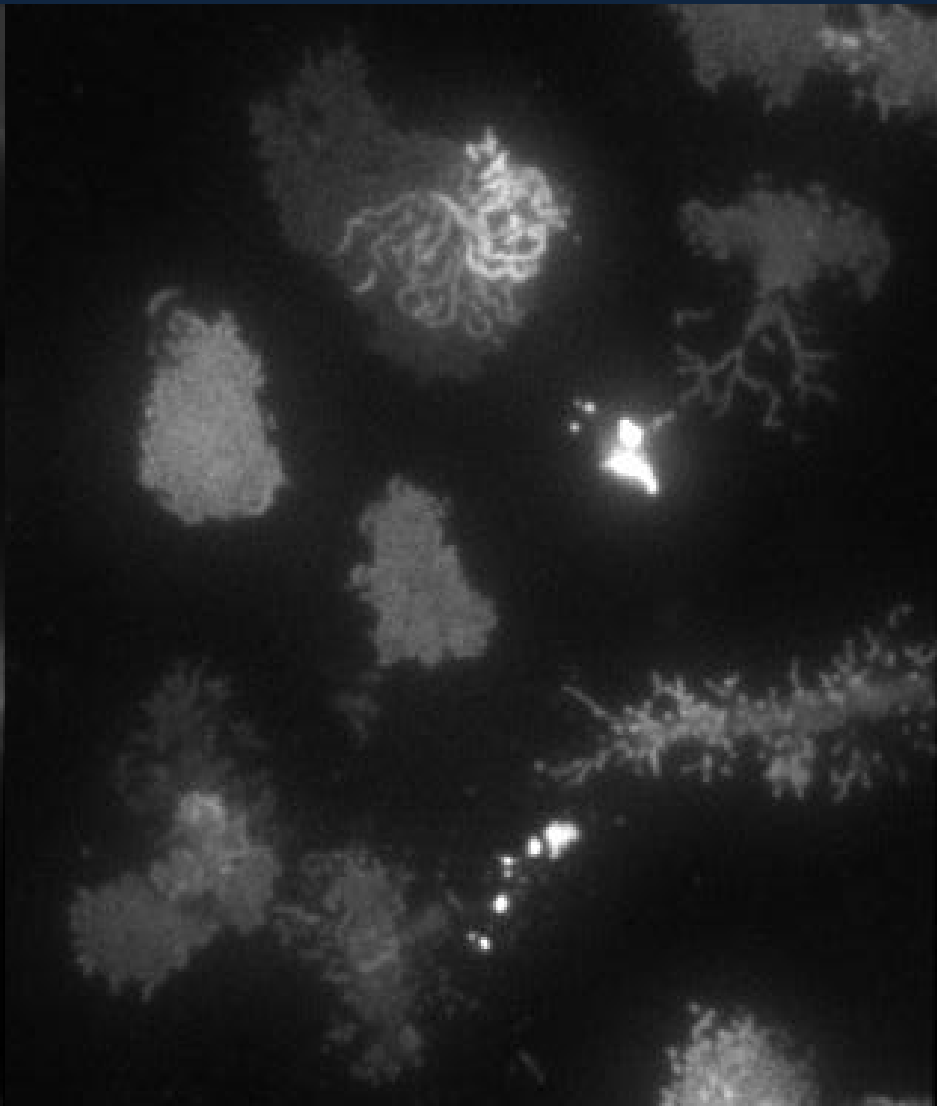
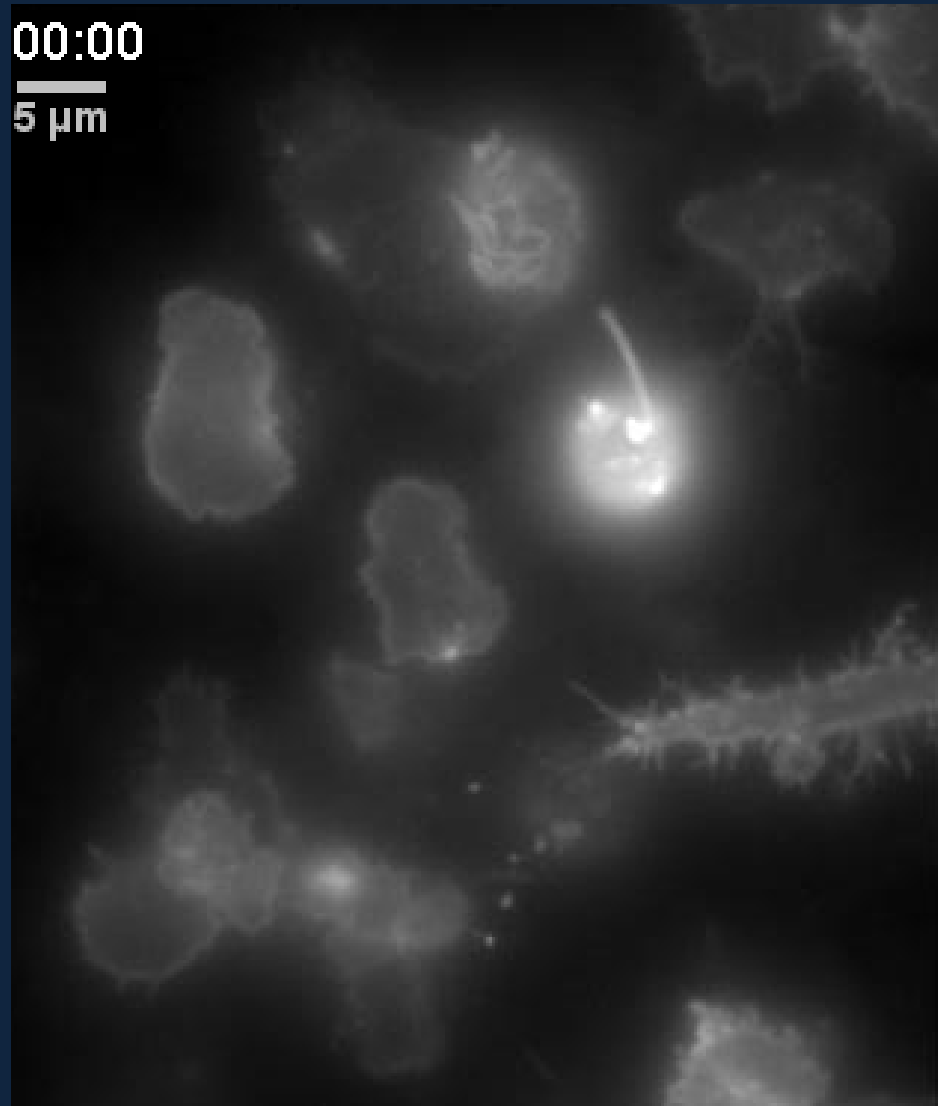


# Example #1.5 Coverslip Bottom Chambers



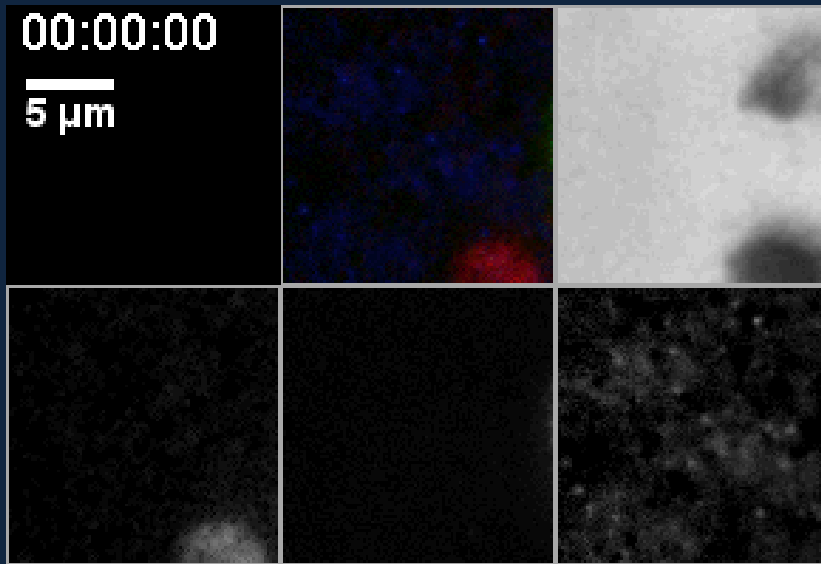
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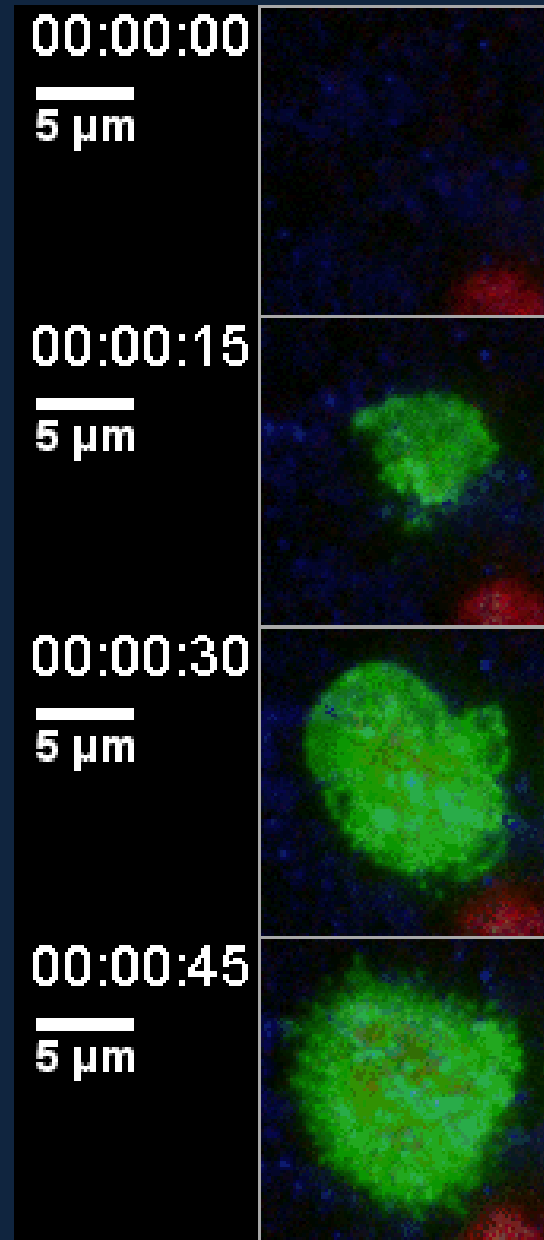


# Sequential Colors



To go faster, need to use fewer imaging modes and fewer colors.

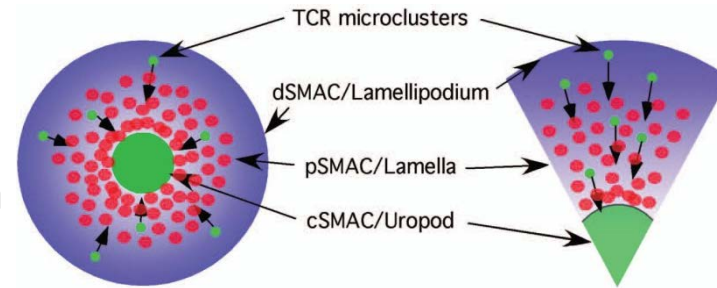
Easy to sequence different conditions; run fast single color then slower multiple channels.



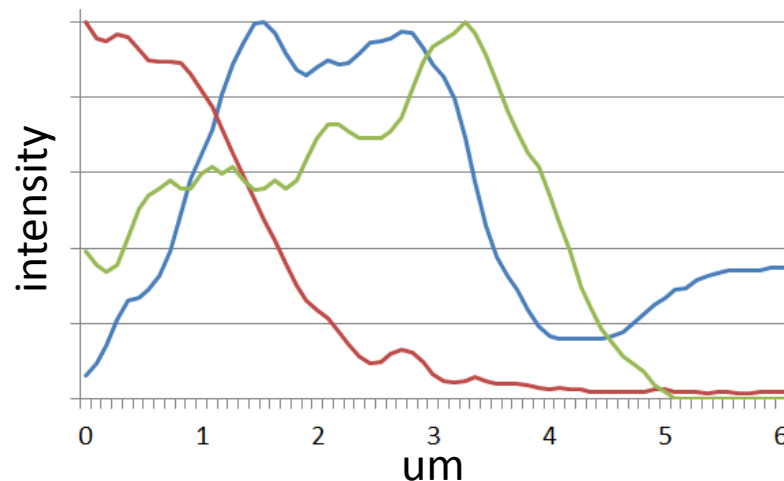
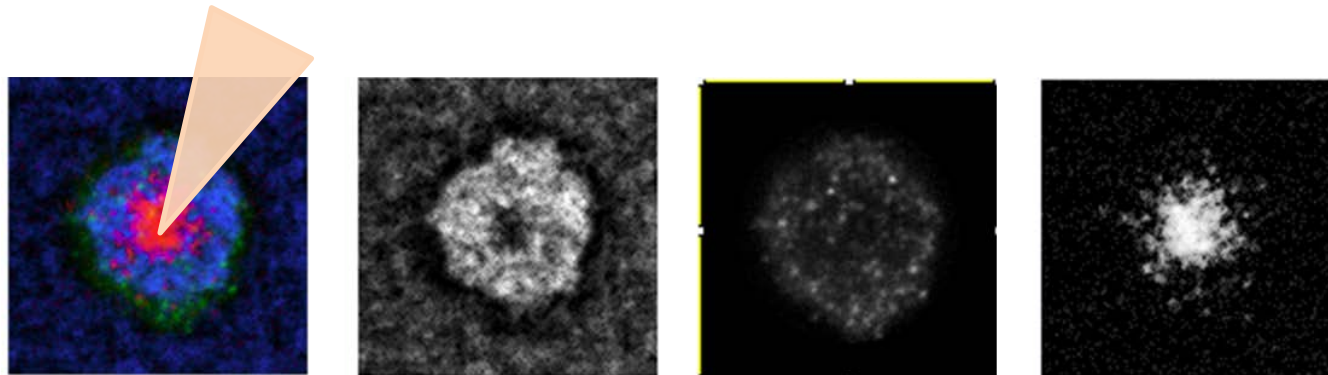
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15.00

# Example Quantification: Radial Intensity Plots Show Locations of Molecules Per Cell Compartments

En face view of the synapse with cSMAC, pSMAC and dSMAC and en face view of a kinapse.



From Dustin, 2011

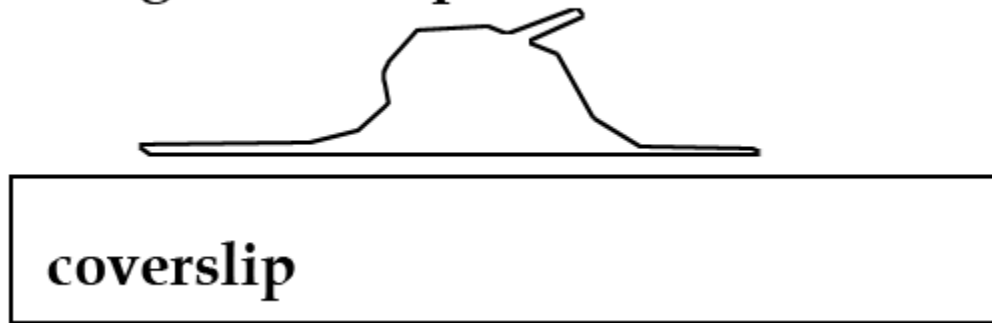


Radial intensity plot from cell center (left) to periphery (right)

# Primary Cilia

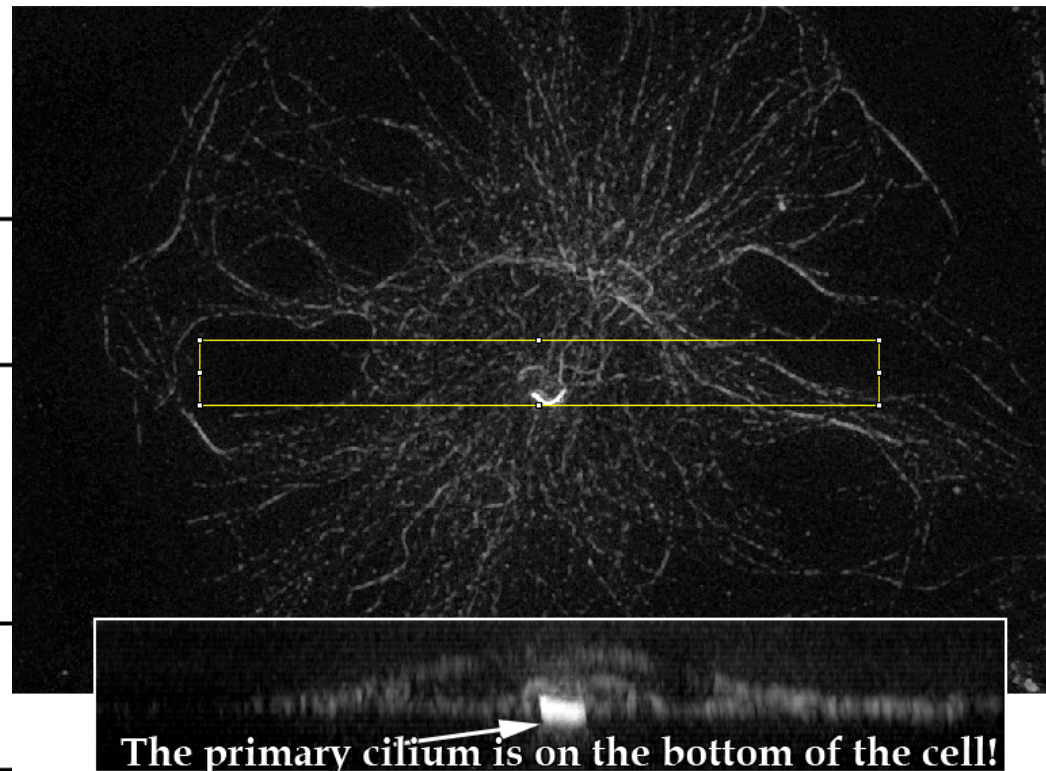
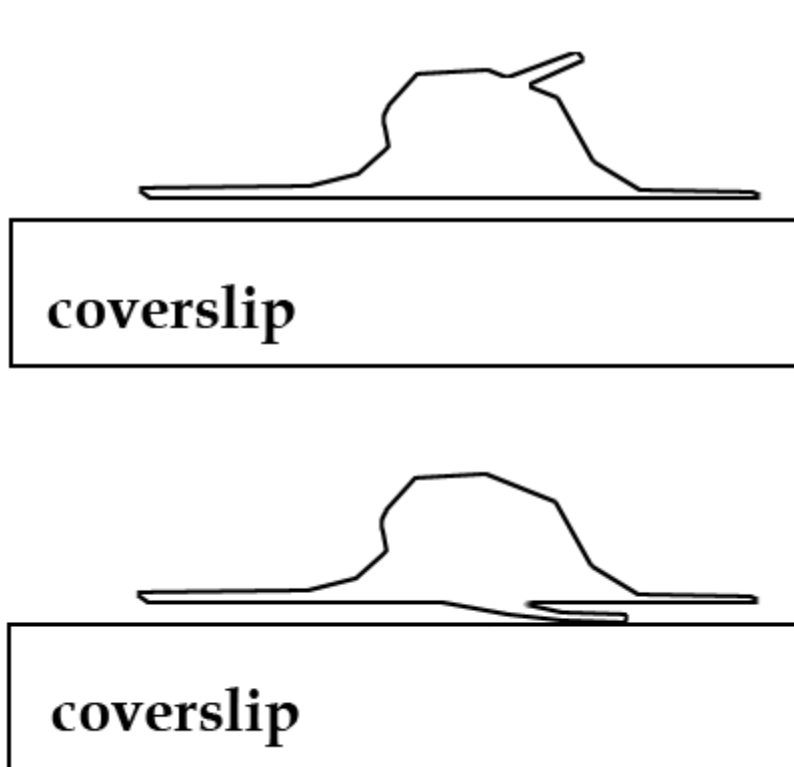
Primary cilium in fibroblasts (marker acetylated  $\alpha$  tubulin)

sticking out on top:



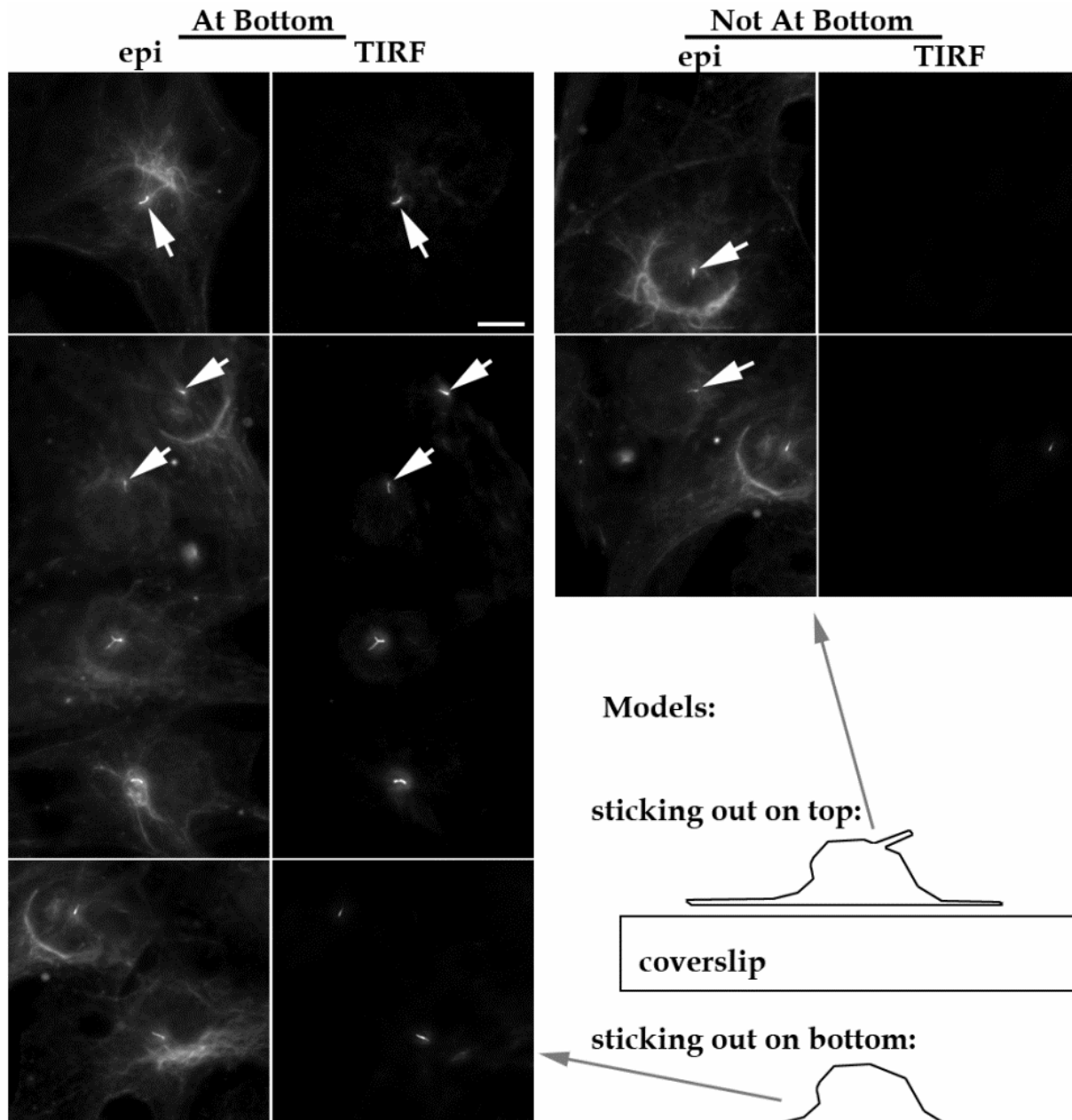
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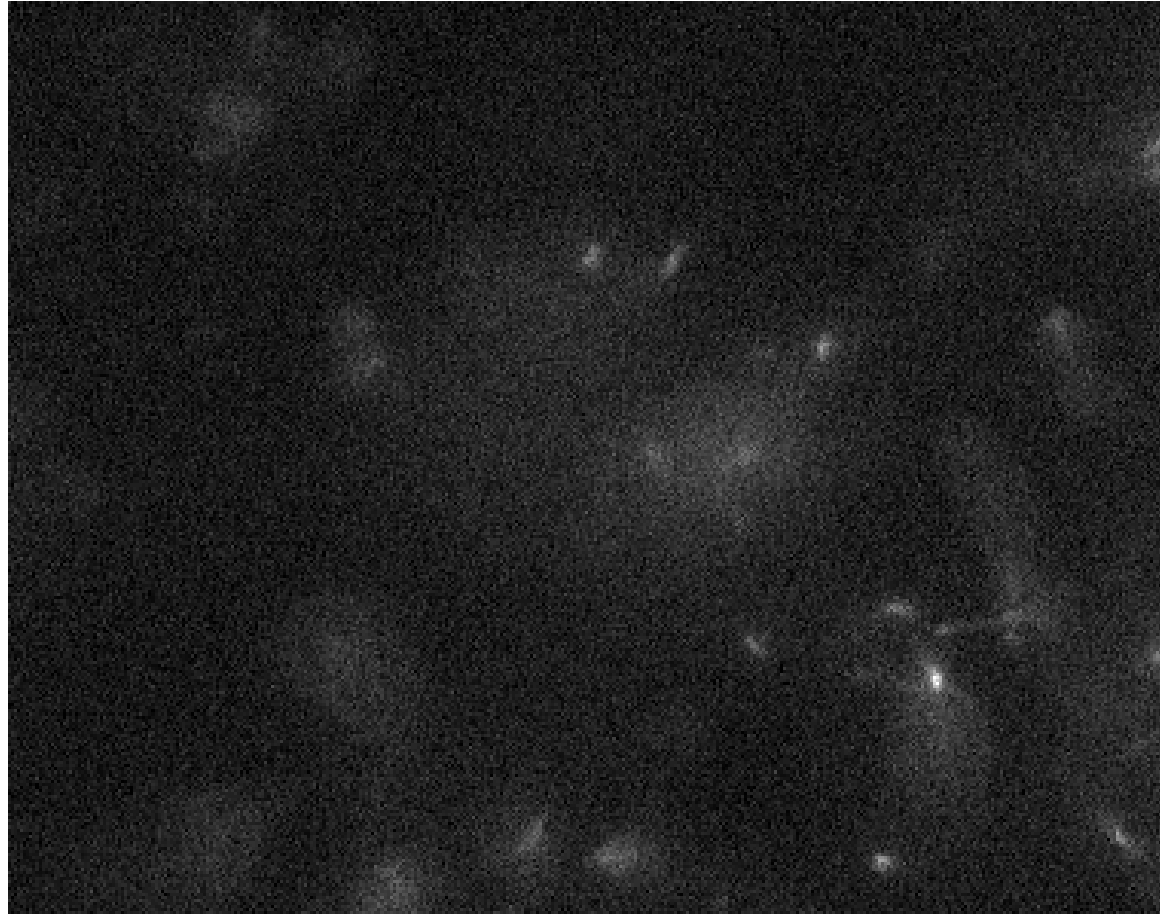




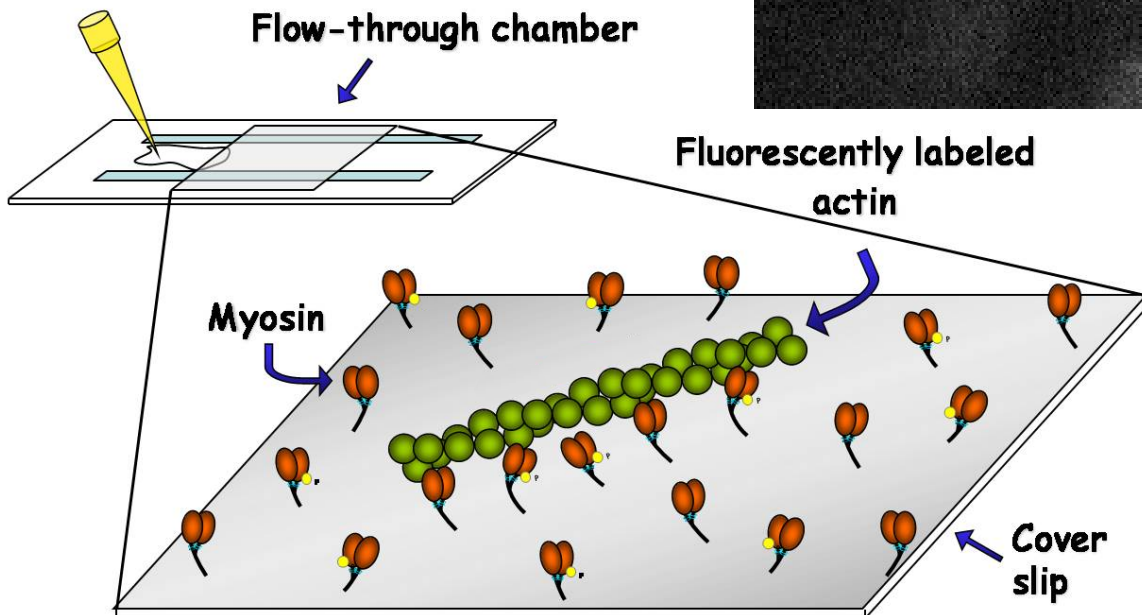
Allows for high contrast imaging of MT or associated proteins (motors, receptors, etc.) in intact primary cilia



# From standard epifluorescence to TIRF in an f-actin *in vitro* assay

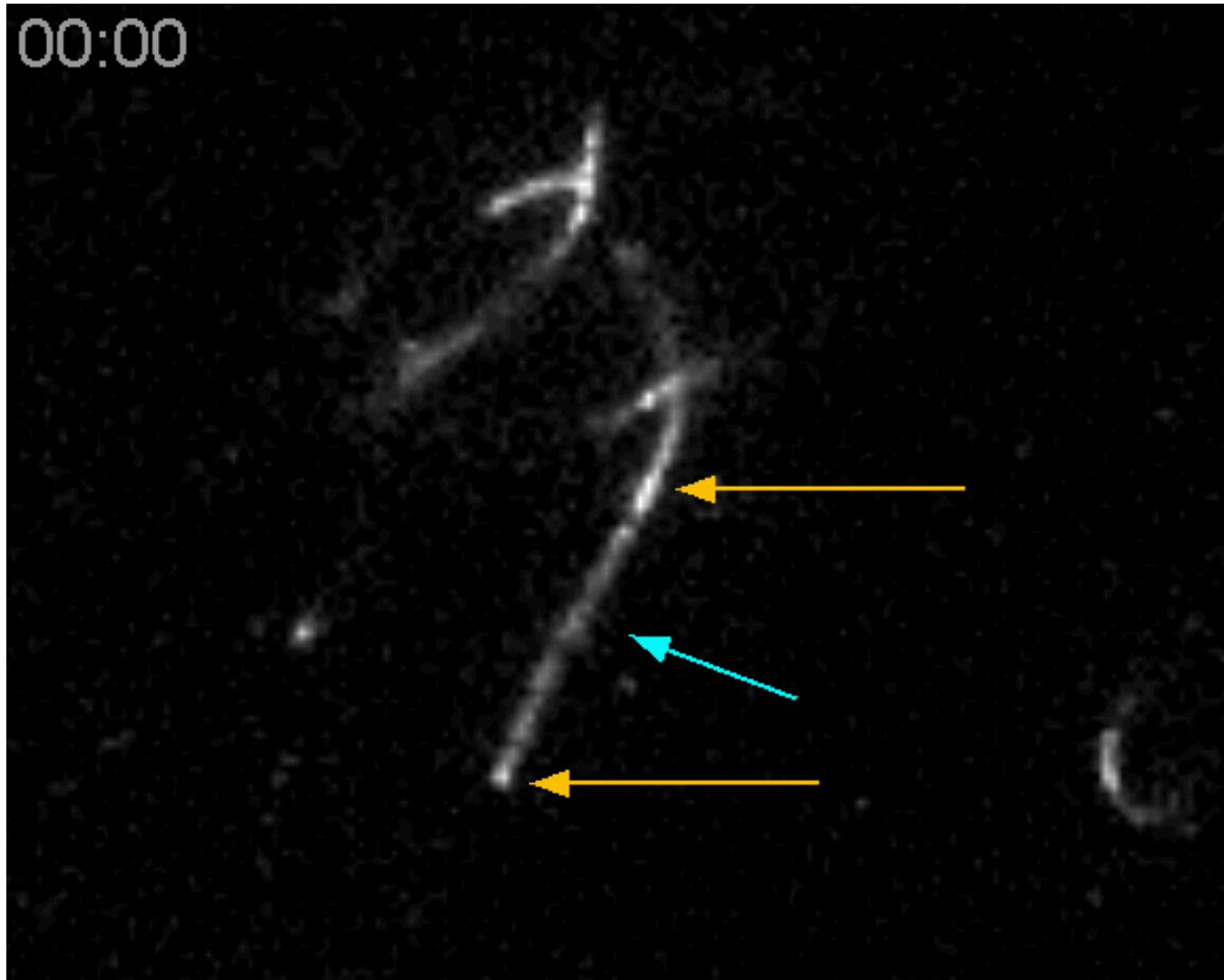


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unpublished



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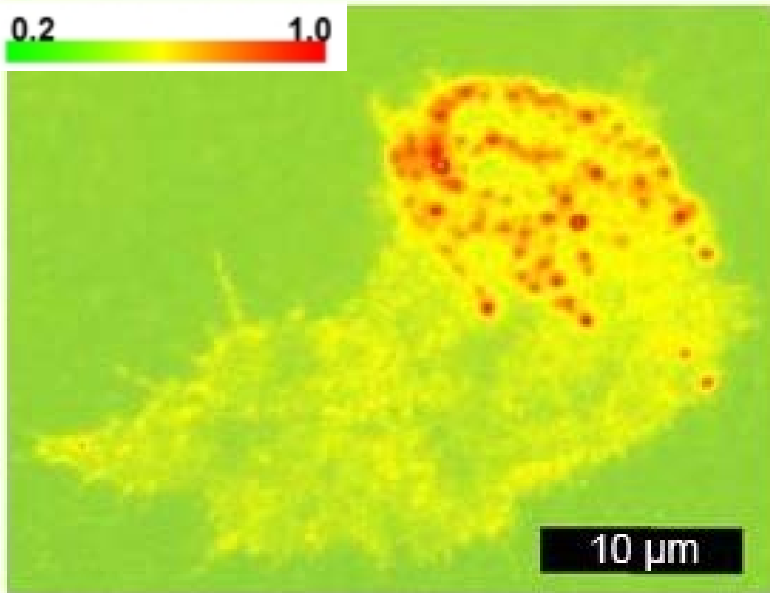
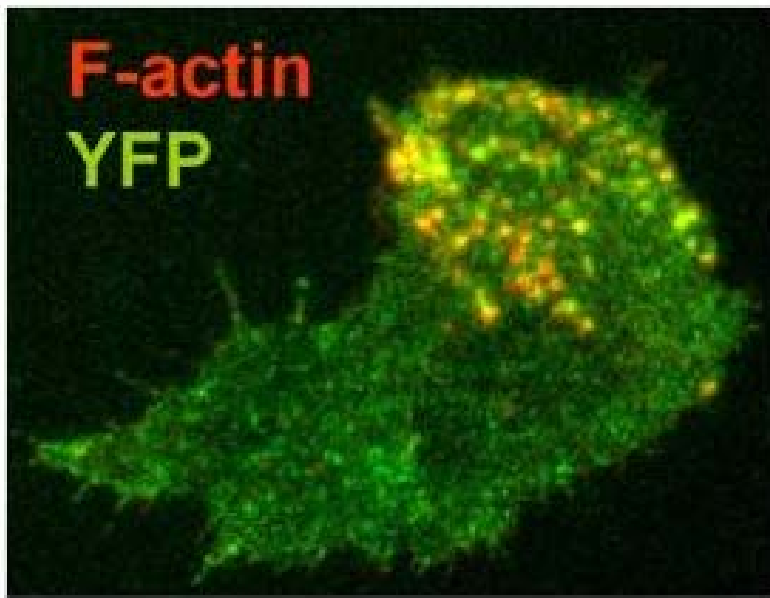
Anchor points closer to substrate are brighter



# TIRF FRET

Active WASp is localized in podosomes and its activity is required for podosome maintenance. WASp is active in podosomes.

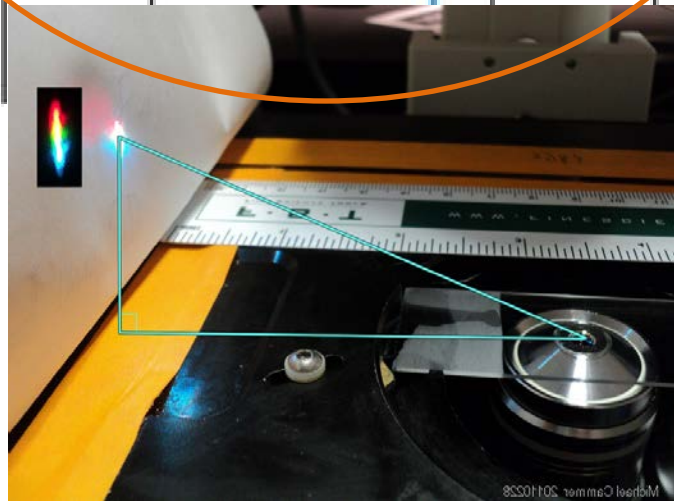
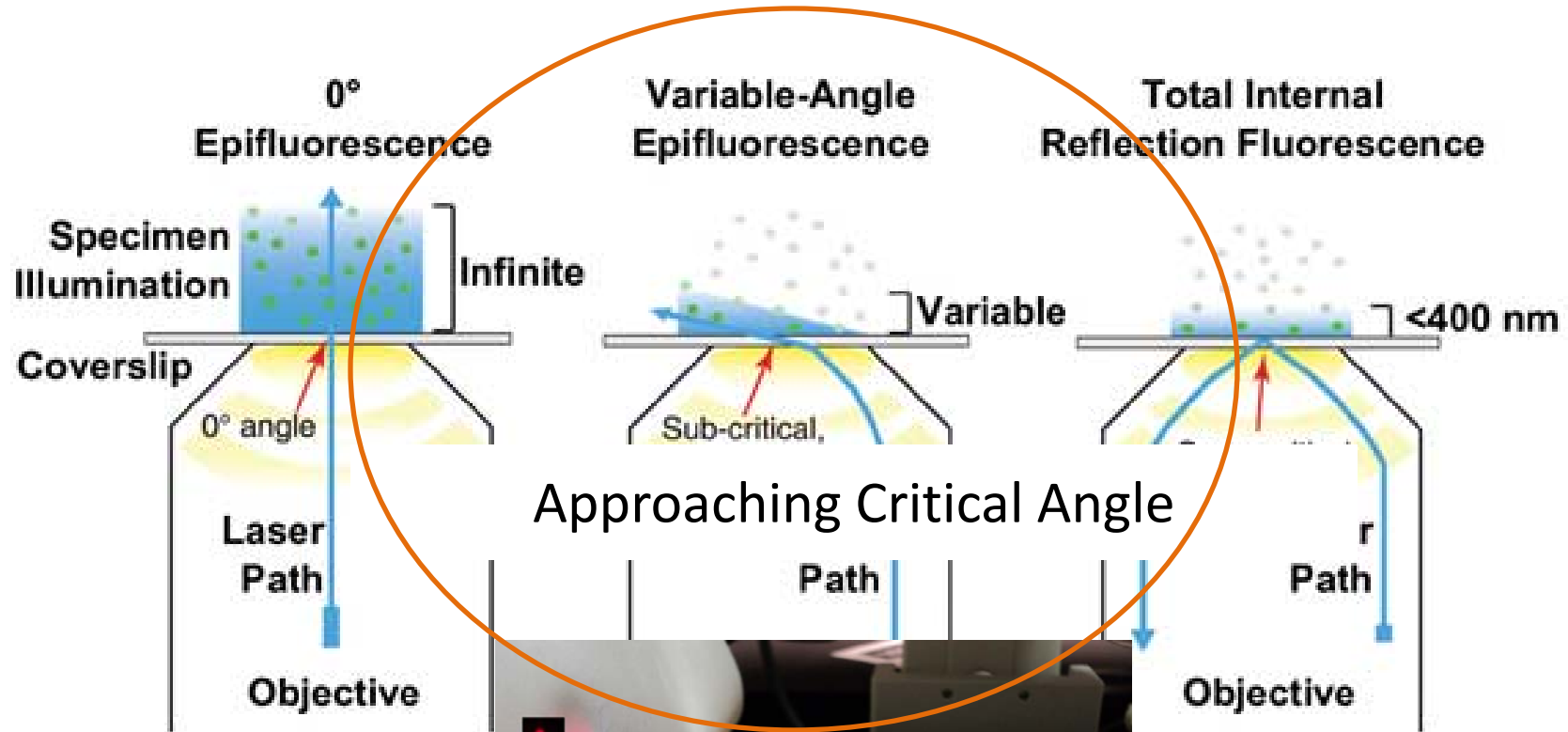
RAW/LR5 cells transfected with a WASp biosensor, fixed and stained with Alexa Fluor 568-phalloidin and imaged by TIRF microscopy.

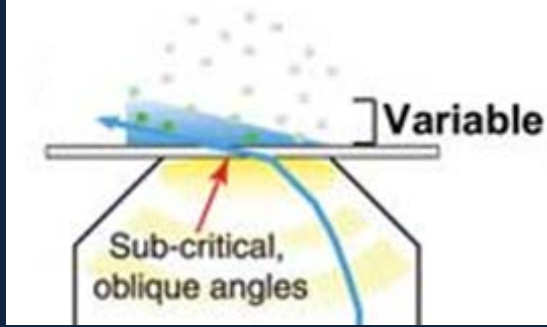


Dovas A, Gevrey JC, Grossi A, Park H, Abou-Kheir W, Cox D. Regulation of podosome dynamics by WASp phosphorylation: implication in matrix degradation and chemotaxis in macrophages. *J Cell Sci.* 2009 Nov 1;122(Pt 21):3873-82. doi: 10.1242/jcs.051755.

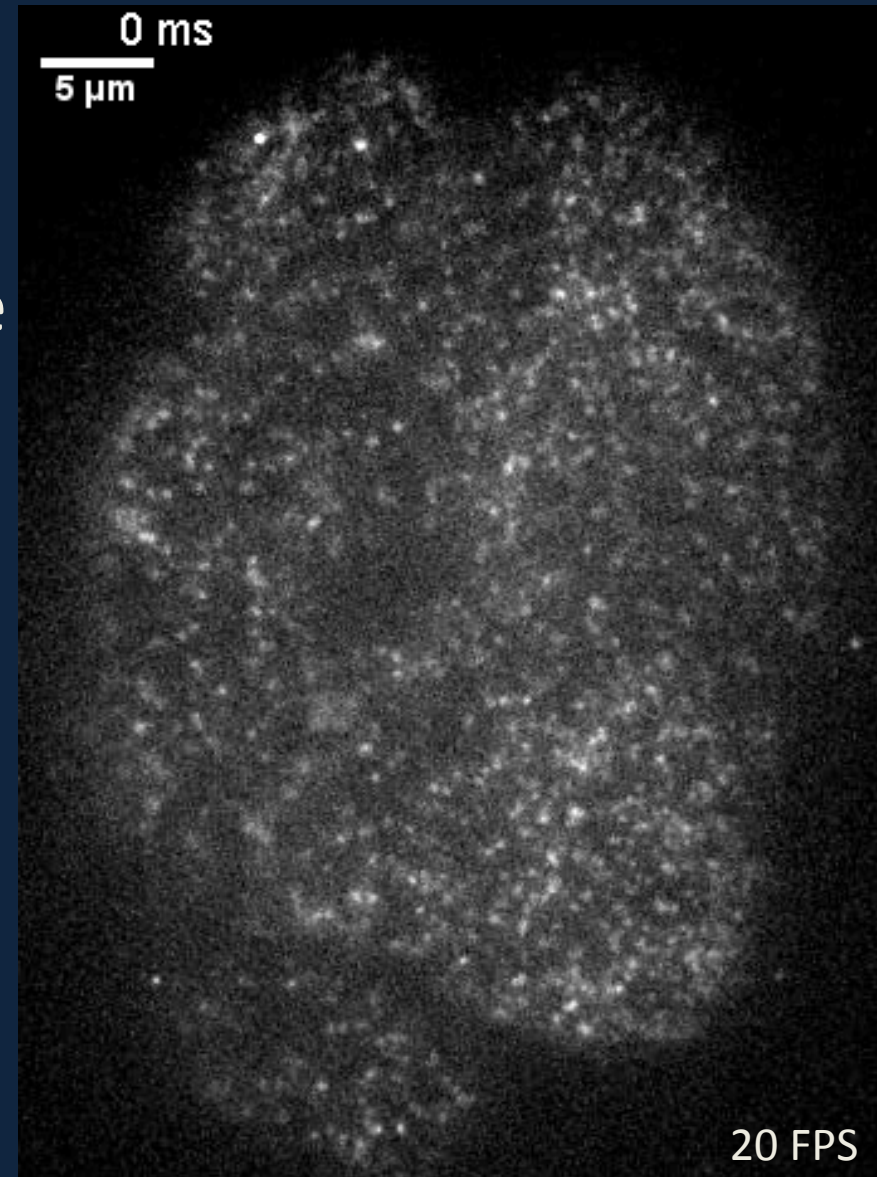


# Hi Lo may be useful for thick samples

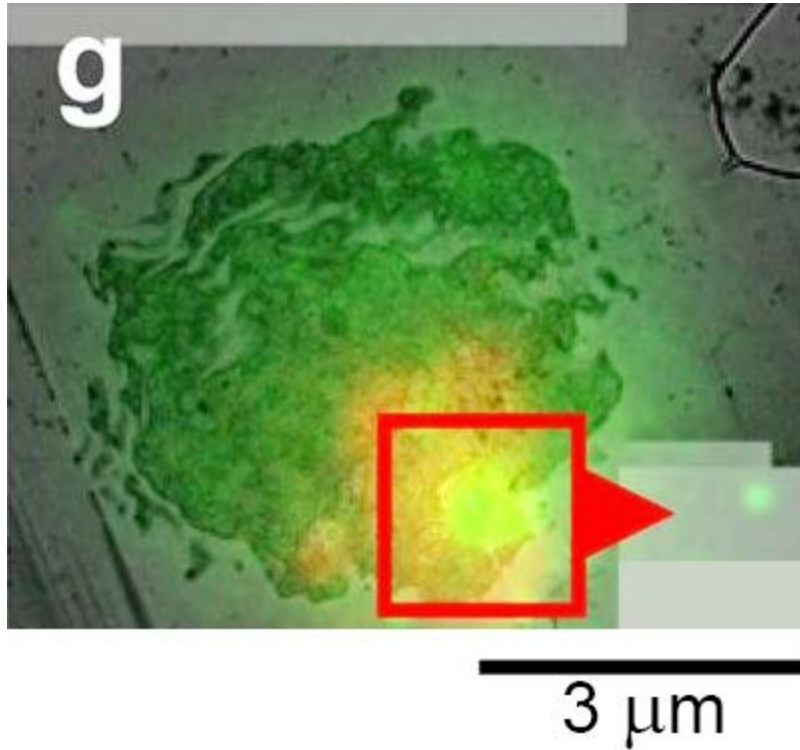




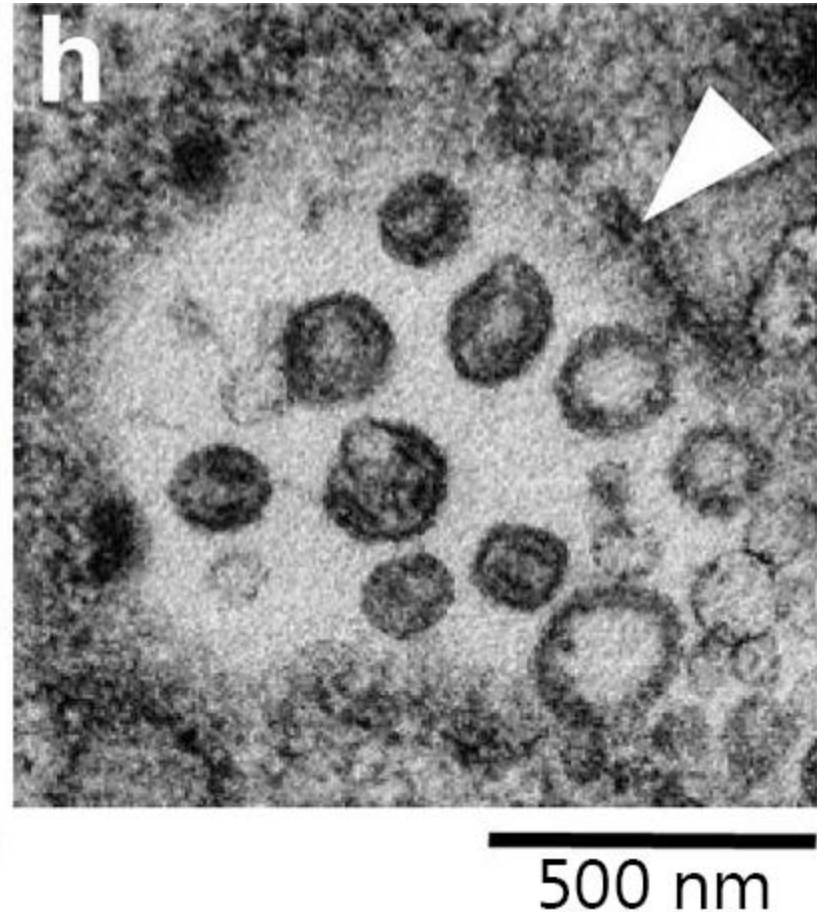
Early *C. elegans* embryo imaged with near-TIRF illumination to overcome the problem of the 200nm-thick eggshell that makes it difficult to use the true TIRF optics. The molecule here is Par-6-GFP a polarity protein. This method allows measuring the exchange rate and mobility of the single molecules at the membrane.



# Correlative TIRF and TEM



**g.** T cell with centrally accumulated GAG-GFP resuming motility and releasing GAG-GFP-containing microvesicles. **h.** Higher magnification image of boxed region in **g.** showing internal juxta-membrane density in GAG-containing microvesicles. Arrowhead, plasma membrane.



Modified from Choudhuri K, Llodrá J, Roth EW, Tsai J, Gordo S, Wucherpennig KW, Kam LC, Stokes DL, Dustin ML. Polarized release of T-cell-receptor-enriched microvesicles at the immunological synapse. *Nature*. 2014 Mar 6;507(7490):118-23. doi: 10.1038/nature12951.



**Official Website:**

**<http://www.med.nyu.edu/ocs/microscopy>**

**MC's Personal notes site:**

**<http://microscopynotes.com/>**

**This talk without movies at:**

**<http://microscopynotes.com/tirftalk.pdf>**

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