

量化/系統生物學的 why, when and what



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An illustration of two hands, one on the left and one on the right, both holding a red heart. The hands are light-skinned and have green sleeves. The hands are positioned as if they are about to share something.

SHARING
IS
CARING

— Lab for Cell Dynamics —

Uncover rhythm of lives for curing human diseases





這是棒球史上單一選手最偉大的一天！

史上唯一一位在一日雙重賽一場丟出完封勝，另一場敲出全壘打（兩隻）的球員！

『要做就做別人做不到的事。』

『我覺得自己沒什麼才能，真要說的話，那我只有為了自己喜愛的事物全力以赴的才能。因為我找不到比棒球更有趣的事物，一心只想著棒球。』

OHTANI'S HISTORIC DAY

1:10 PM

OHTANI STARTS GAME ONE
AS STARTING PITCHER

2:20 PM

OHTANI GIVES UP HIS
ONLY HIT AS A PITCHER

3:26 PM

OHTANI FINISHES A
COMPLETE GAME SHUTOUT

4:10 PM

SECOND GAME OF ANGELS
DOUBLEHEADER STARTS

4:45 PM

OHTANI HITS A HOME RUN

5:45 PM

OHTANI HITS HIS SECOND
HOME RUN





成為世界第一的棒球選手！
— 大谷翔平, 2012, 09, 12

立志

A life-long decision

A reminder
for all of you,
high school students!

計程車司機？
科學家？
咖啡達人？

2024年
4月
13號

成為世界第一的

X
X
X

Q1: Do you REALLY like a subject or are you REALLY good at something?

Ask yourself in the next ~10 mins

Where are we in biology?

Swarm of death



"The Triumph of Death," by Pieter Bruegel the Elder

The spread of COVID-19 across the globe



Why quantitative biology?

Where were we in astronomy?

High-quality
quantitative
dataset



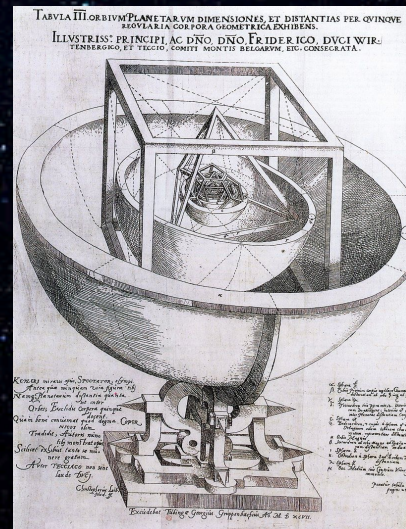
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1546-1601



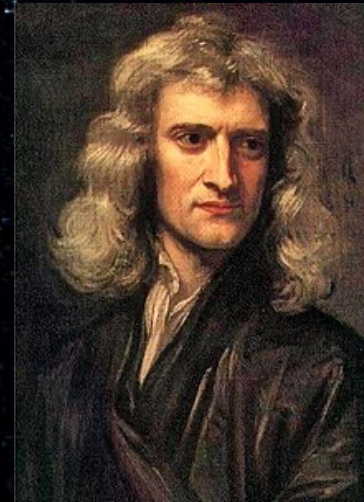
Simplifying
theory



Johannes Kepler
1571-1630



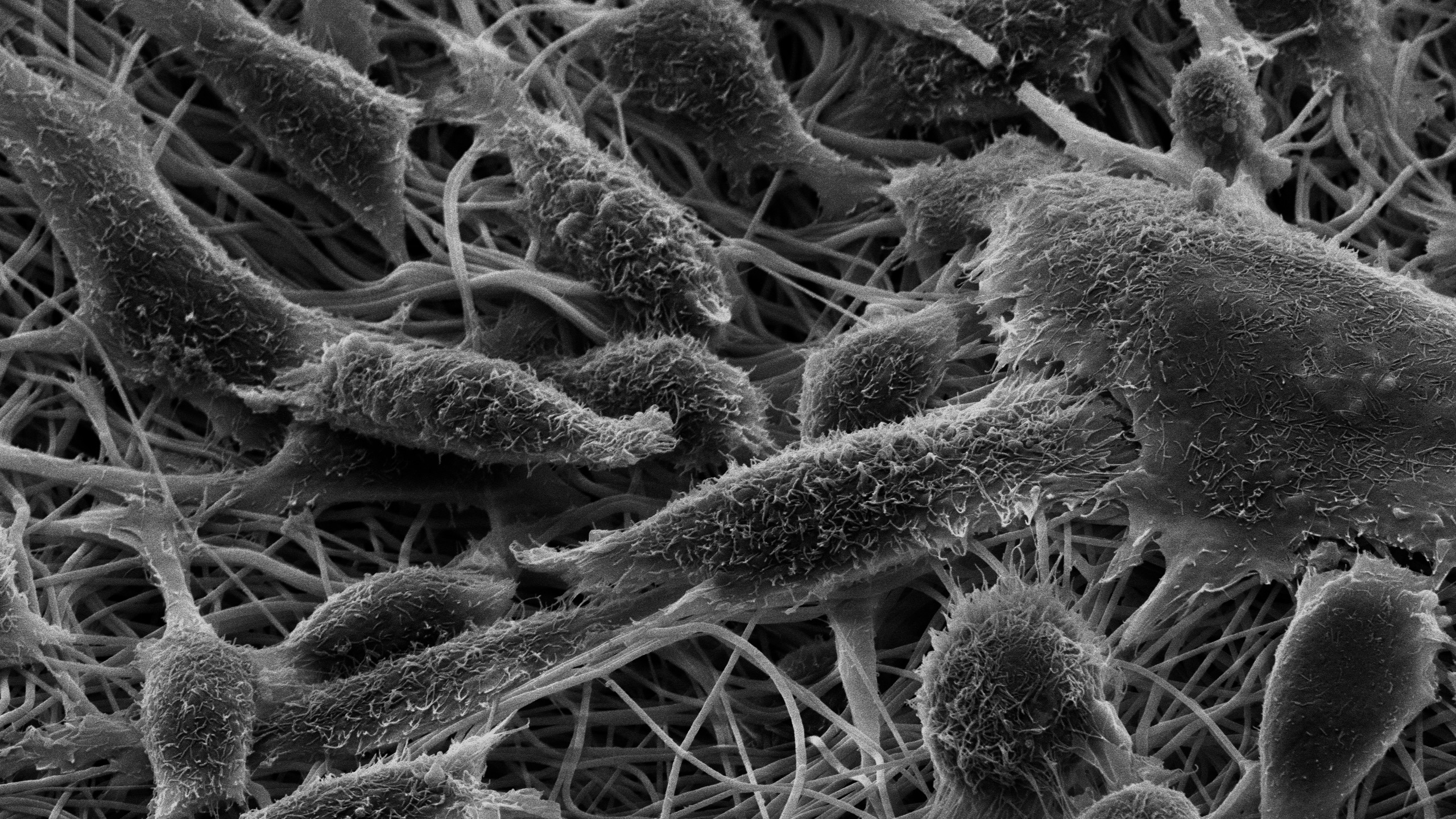
Deeper
simplifying
theory



Isaac Newton
1642-1727



$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$



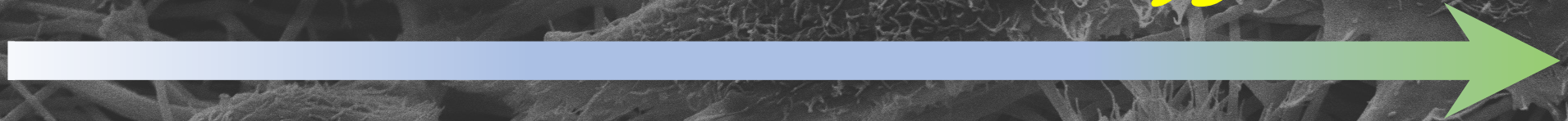


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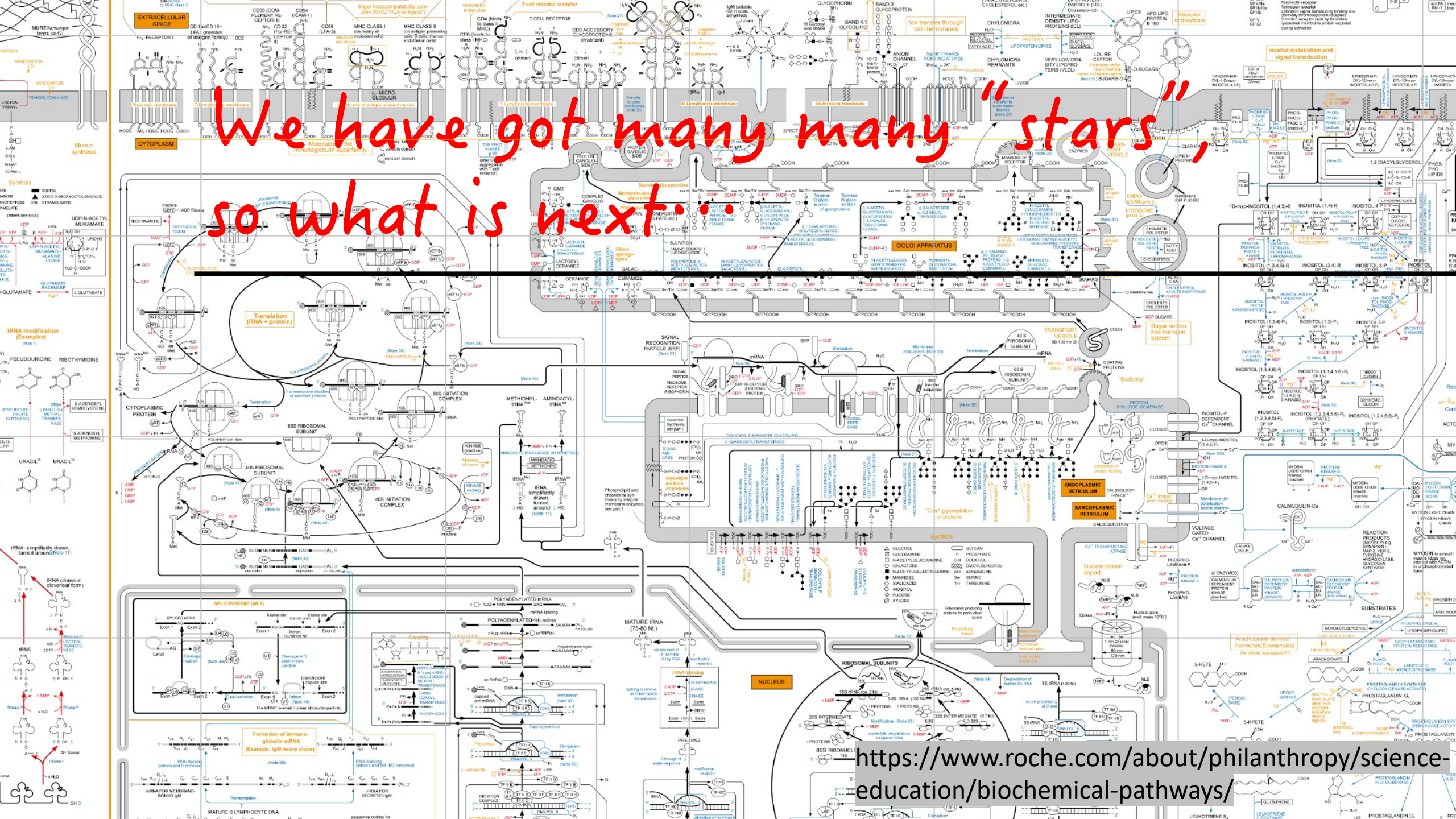
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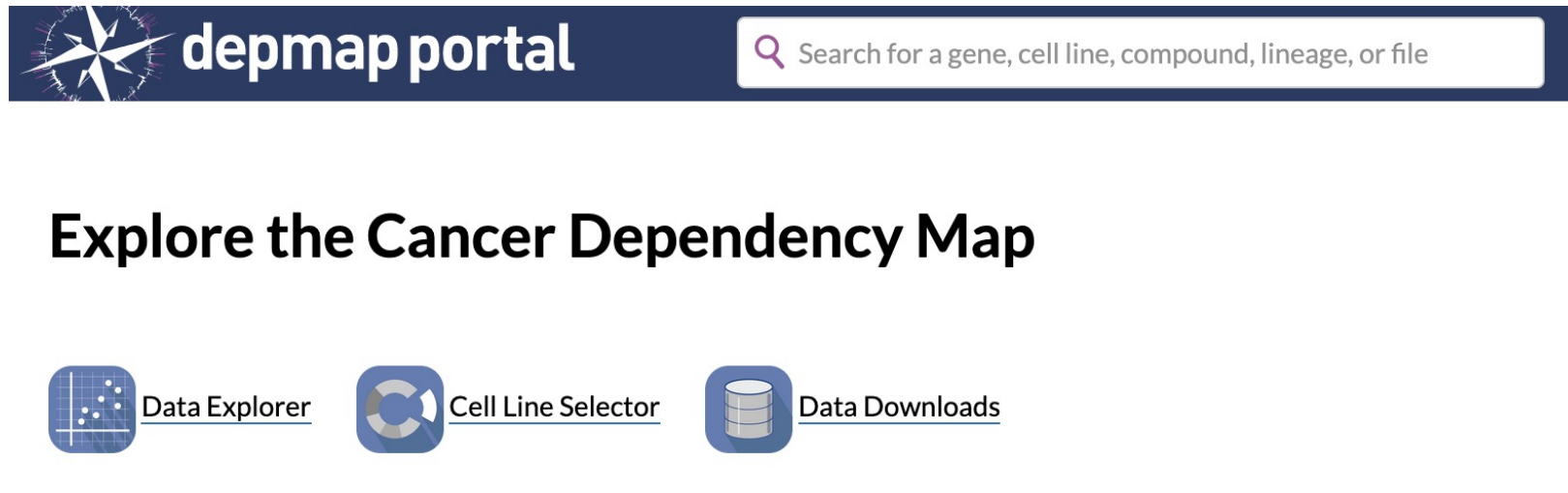
Where are we in biology?



We have got many many "stars",
so what is next...



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so what is next...

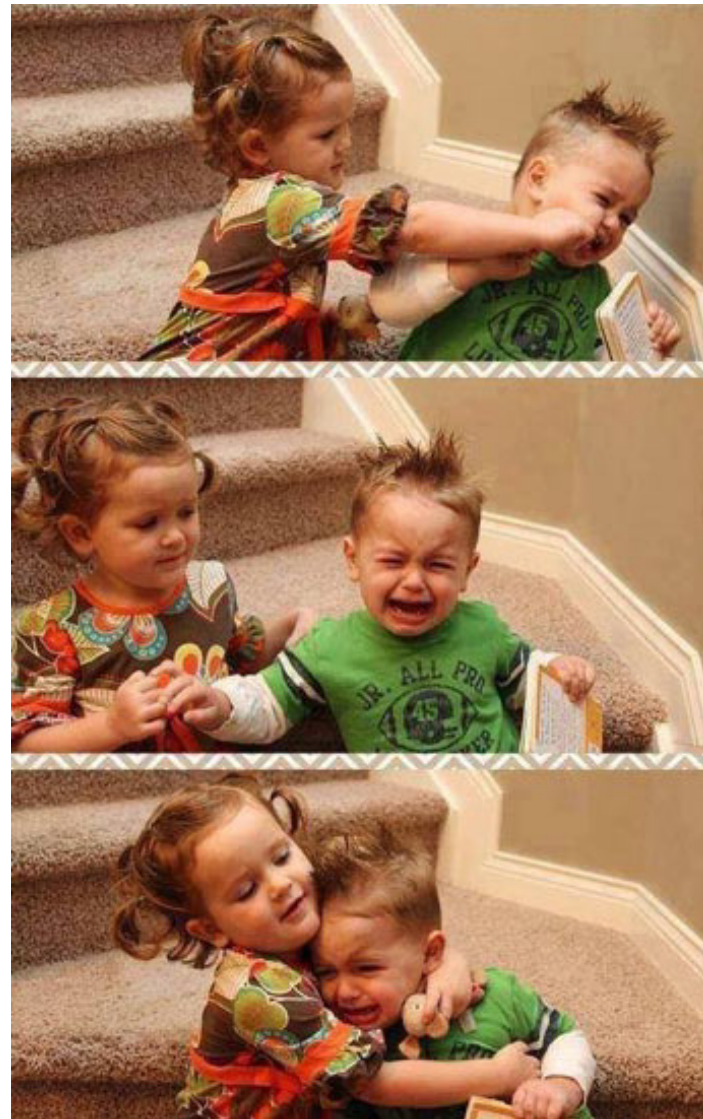


The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the DepMap Portal. On the left is the DepMap logo, a compass rose with a star in the center, followed by the text "depmap portal". To the right is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the placeholder text "Search for a gene, cell line, compound, lineage, or file". Below the navigation bar is a large heading "Explore the Cancer Dependency Map". Underneath this heading are three icons with labels: a scatter plot icon for "Data Explorer", a circular arrow icon for "Cell Line Selector", and a database cylinder icon for "Data Downloads".

Welcome to the DepMap Portal!

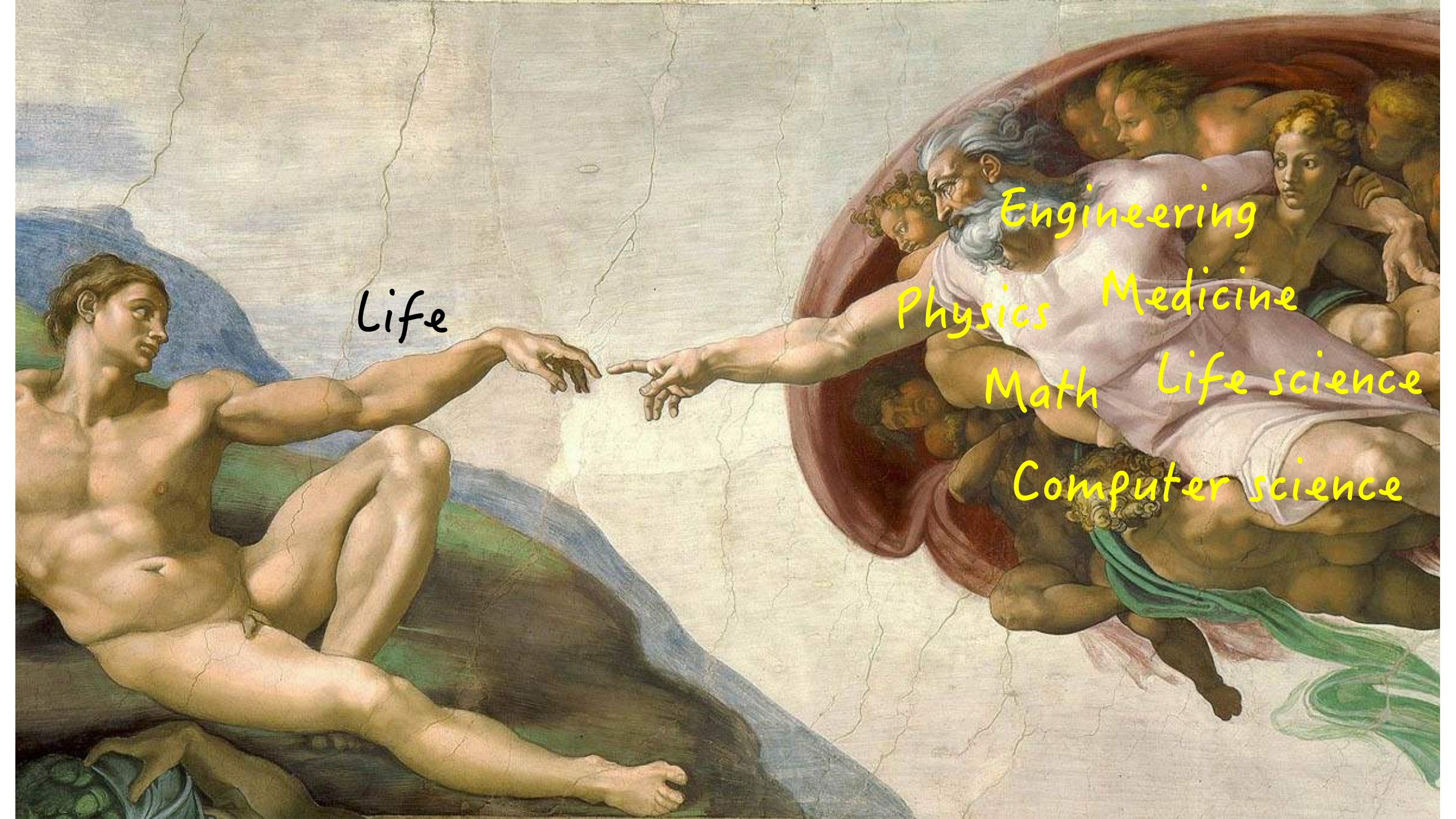
The goal of the Dependency Map (DepMap) portal is to empower the research community to make discoveries related to cancer vulnerabilities by providing open access to key cancer dependencies analytical and visualization tools.

Dynamics are important!



time





Life

Engineering

Physics

Medicine

Math

Life science

Computer science

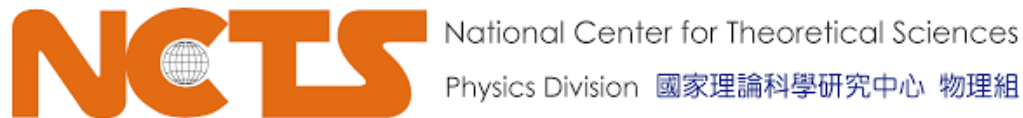
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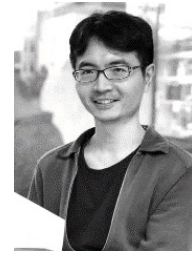
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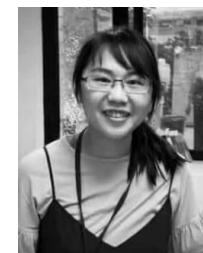
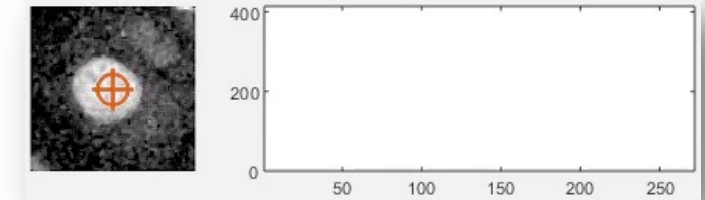
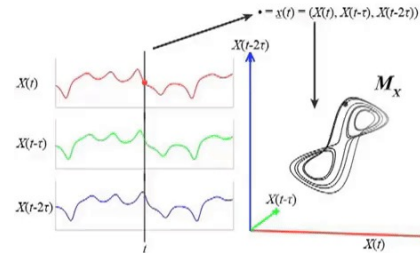
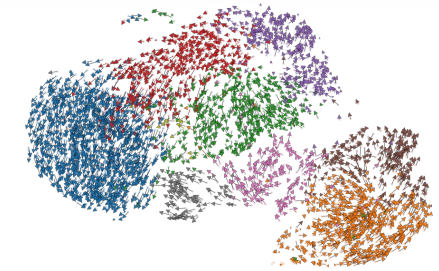
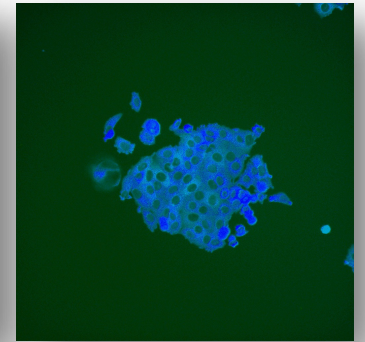
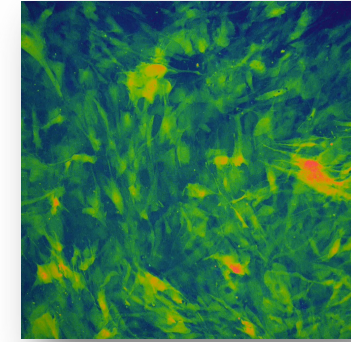
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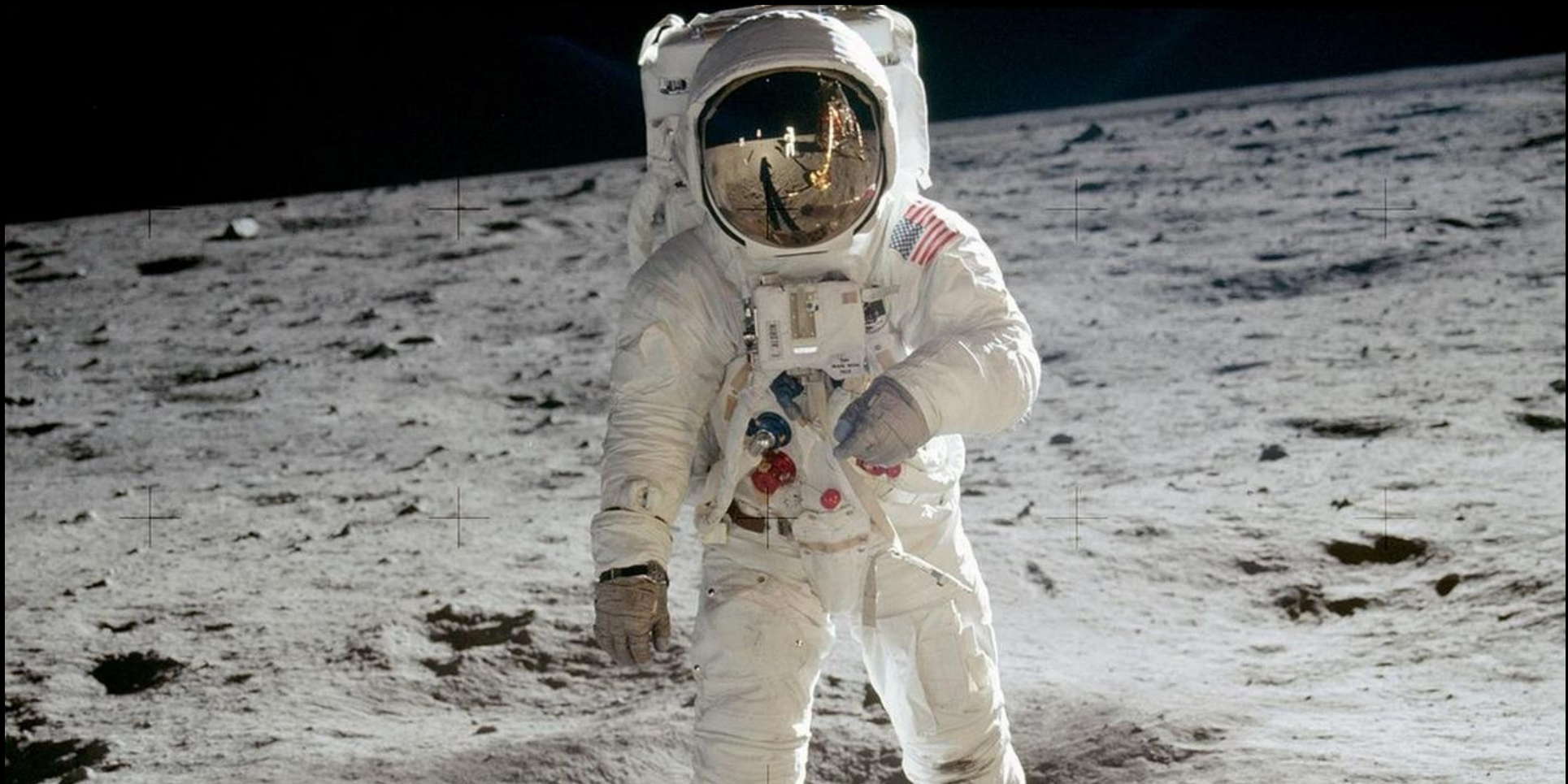


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From quantitative biology
To design principles in biology
To the human-based design and control of biology



Q1: Do you REALLY like a subject or are you REALLY good at something?

Any thought?

Q2: What kind of people you want to become?

Ask yourself in the next ~10 mins

When quantitative biology?

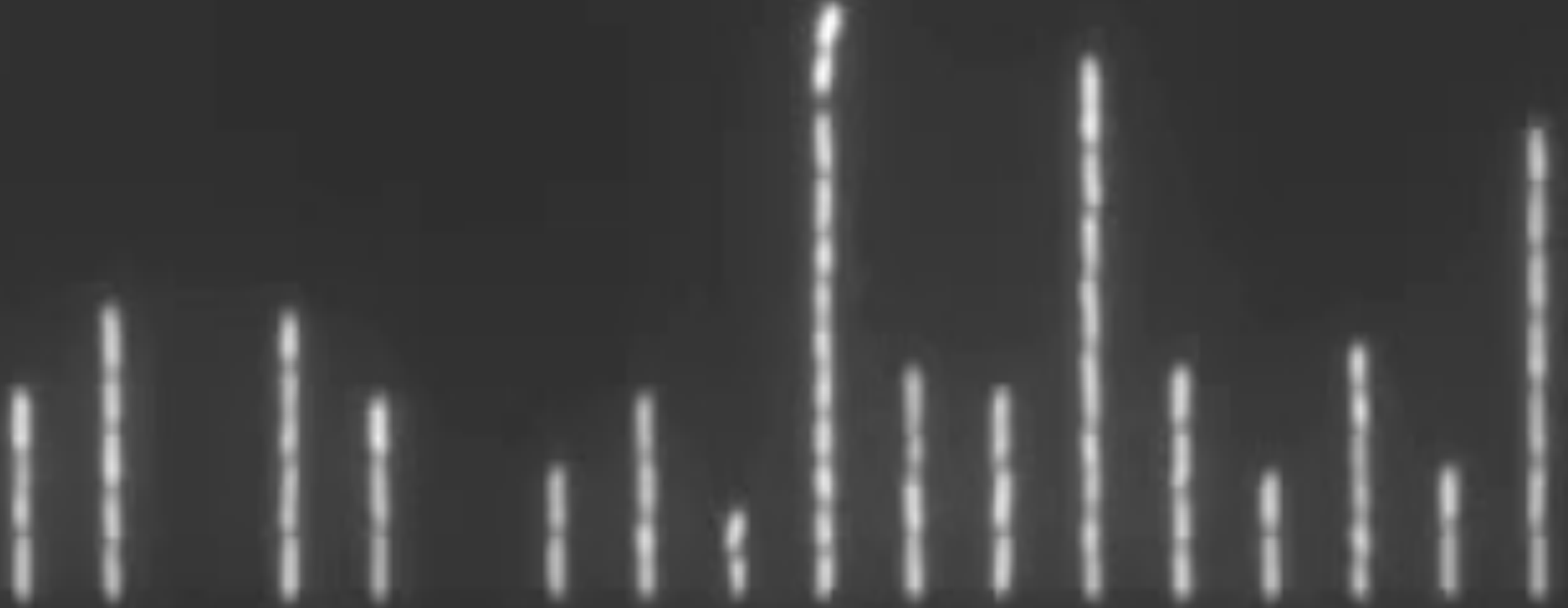
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- Chemistry
- Engineering
- Imaging
- Computation

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mother machine



Suckjoon Jun group 2010, Harvard

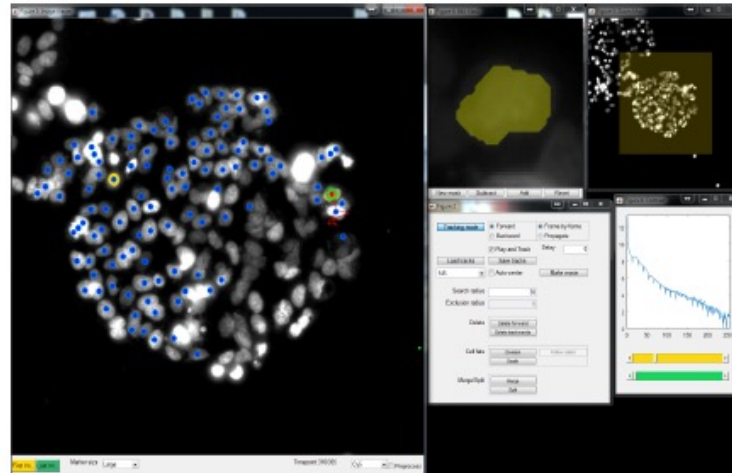
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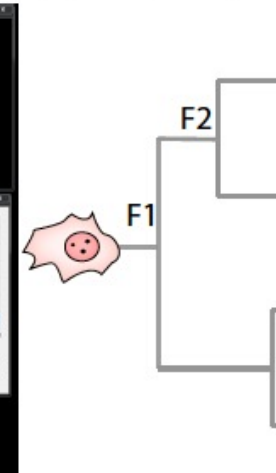
Quantify biological dynamics using the state-of-the-art experimental techniques



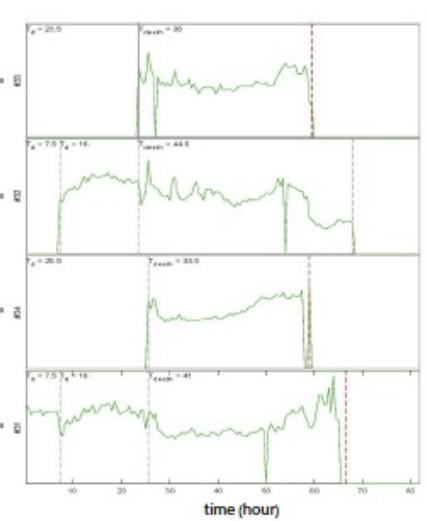
In-house long-term single-cell tracking system



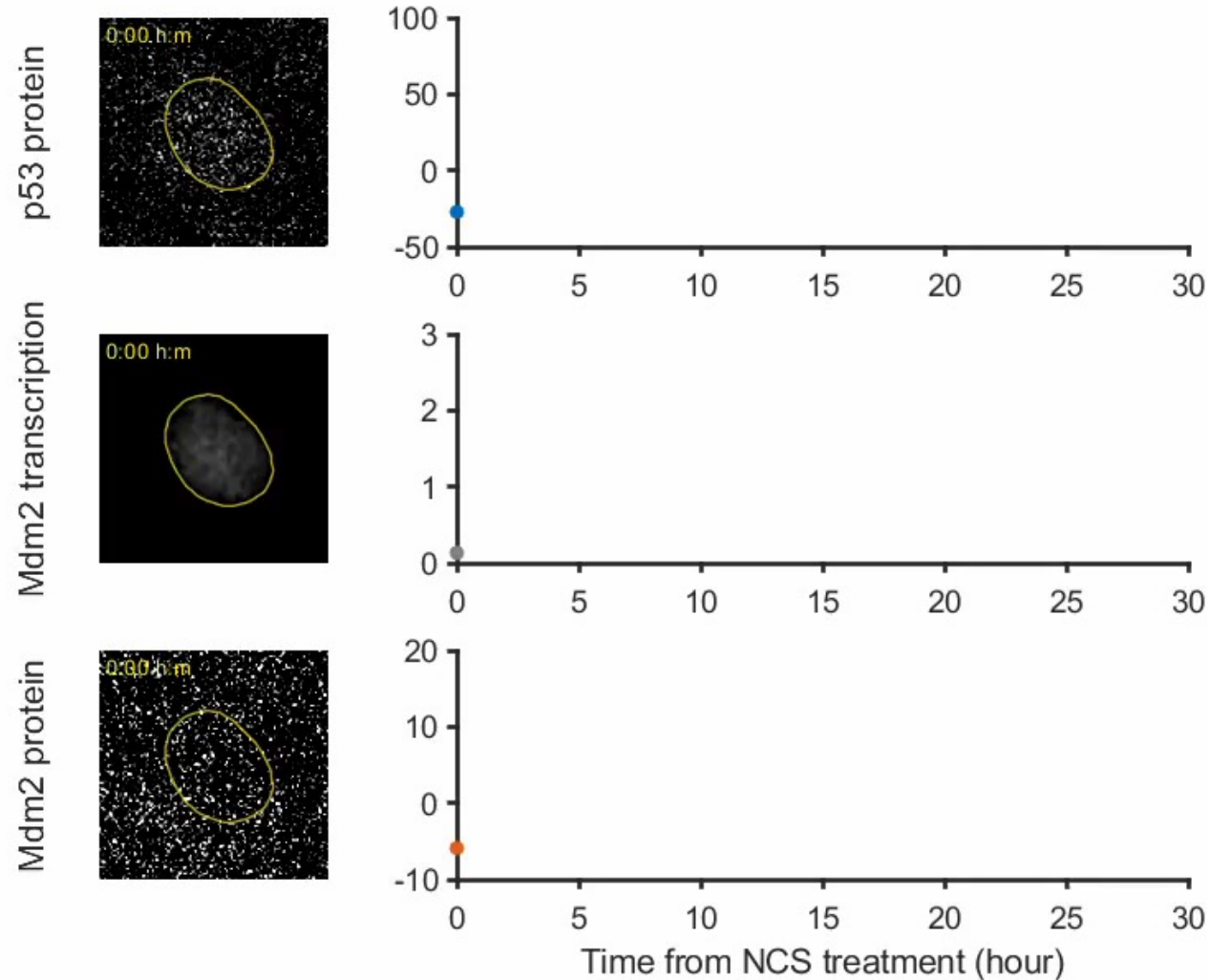
Cell Lineage



Signaling Dynamics



Tool development has made great impacts on quantitative biology in the past decades



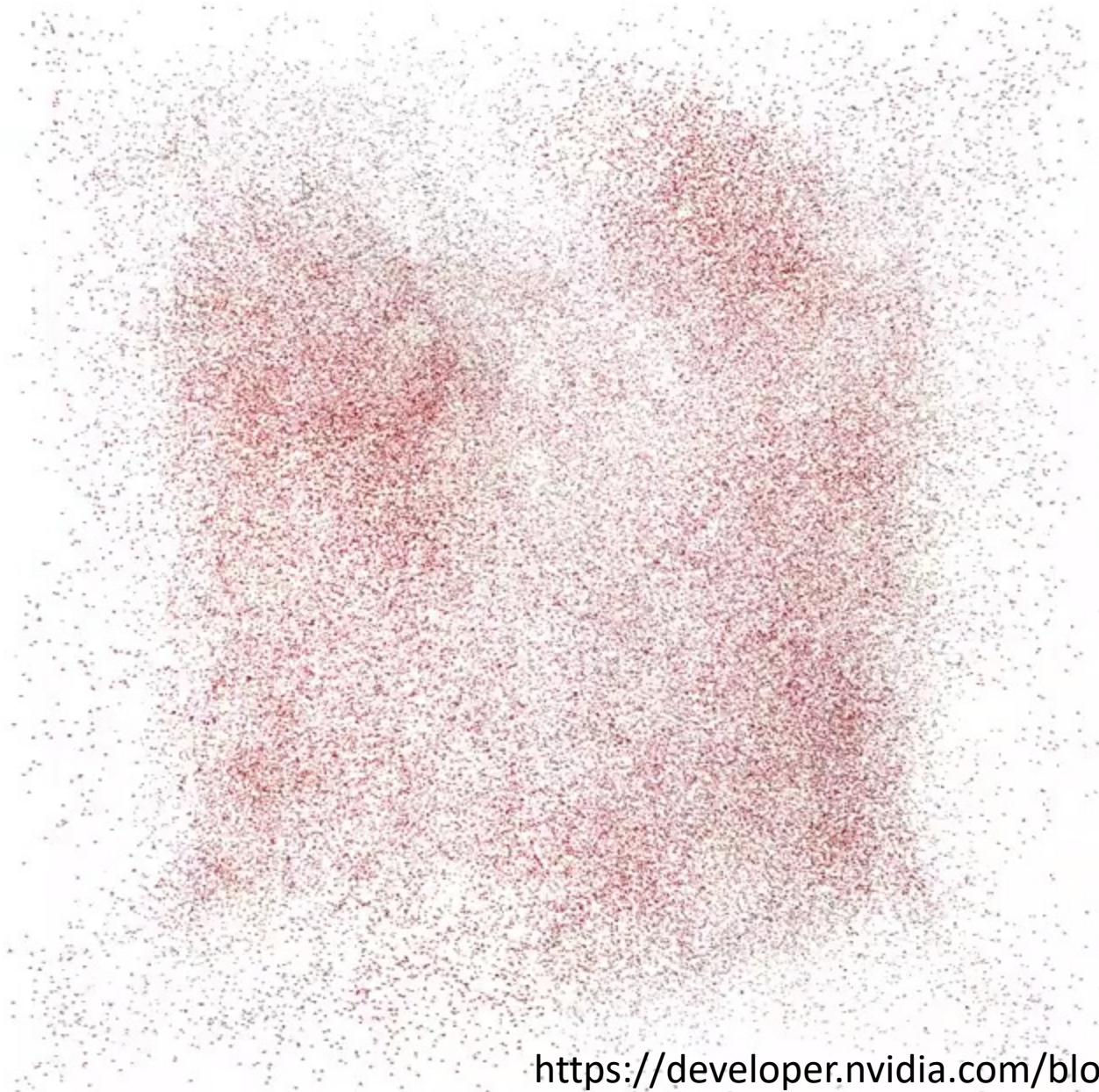
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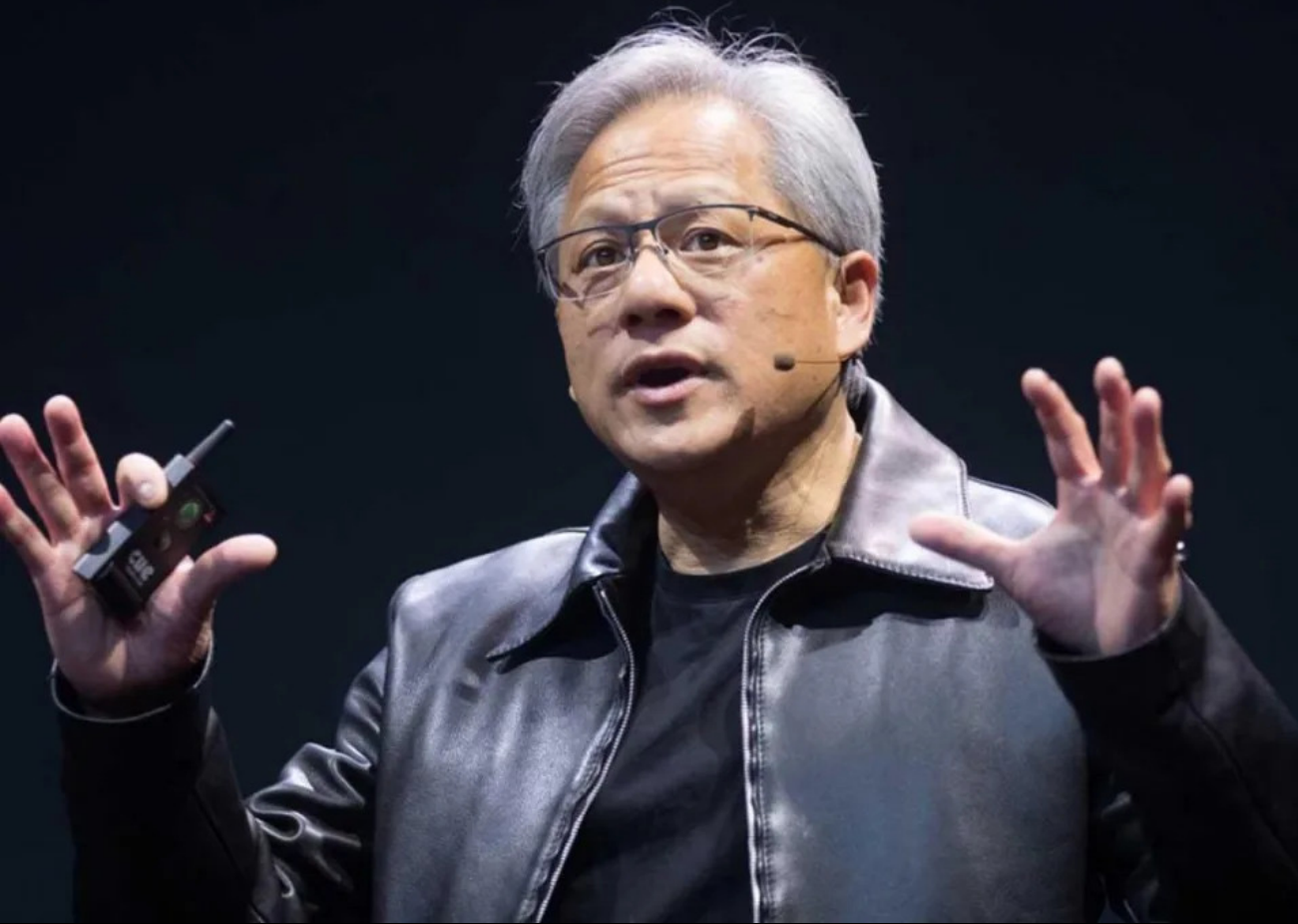
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<https://developer.nvidia.com/blog/fast-large-scale-agent-based-simulations-on-nvidia-gpus-with-flame-gpu/>

近期OPEN AI
在研發新技術，只要使用者
在簡述一行的字就能根據描述編
寫一分鐘的動態動畫，在網分
享上也出現許多玩家實測分



“我們的工作是創造計算技術，讓所有人都不需要編程，現在世界上每個人都是程式設計師，這就是奇蹟—人工智慧的奇蹟。我們首次縮小了程式設計的技術鴻溝，現在正是讓大家意識到技術鴻溝已經彌合的絕佳時機。”

阿聯酋人工智慧部長詢問黃仁勳，「若自己要選擇一門攻讀學位的專業，會給出什麼建議？」黃仁勳則談到生命科學，他認為，若重新選擇，會體認人類生物學才是科學裡最複雜的領域之一。它不僅是複雜的，如此難以理解，同時也具有難以置信的影響力。

黃仁勳表示，每年我們的電腦科學、軟體都勝過以往，晶片、基礎設施也都勝過前一年，然而在生命科學上的進展寥寥。如果給他一次重新選擇的機會，他將意識到，將生命科學工程化的學科，「生命工程」即將到來。

黃仁勳 --- 2024年世界政府峰會

Q2: What kind of people you want to become?

Any idea?

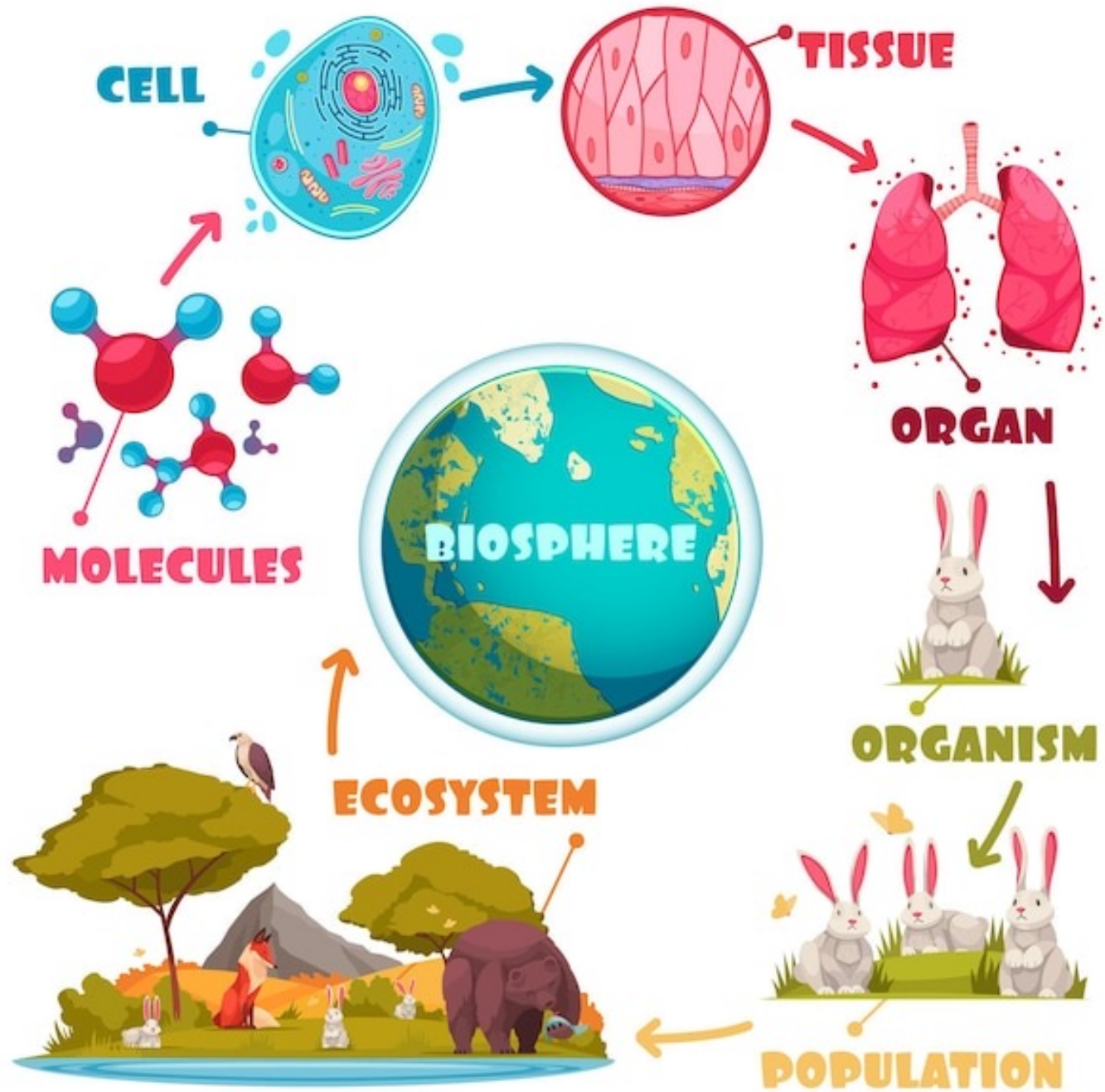
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Ask yourself in the next ~15 mins

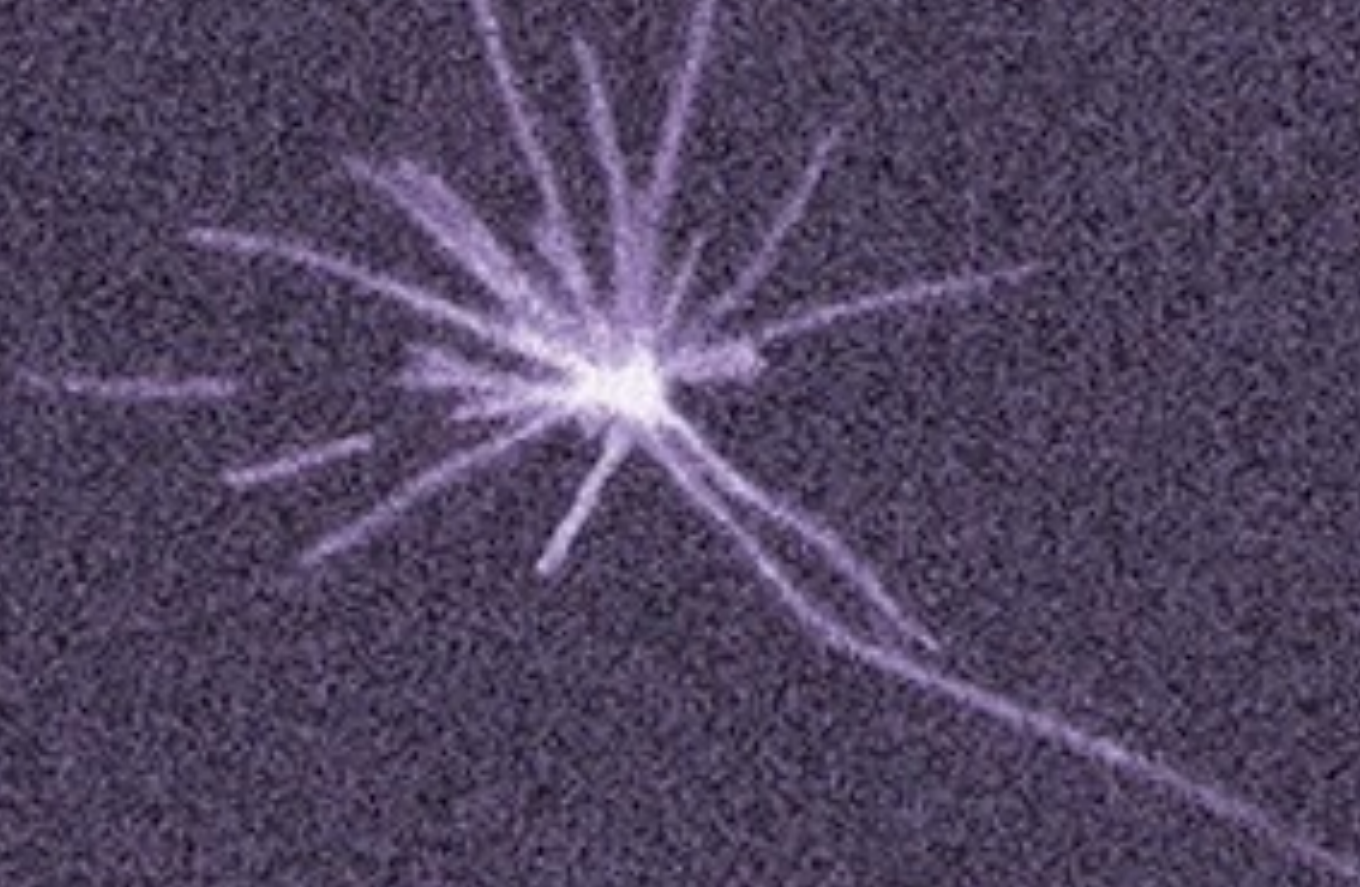
What quantitative biology?

Biological systems are dynamic



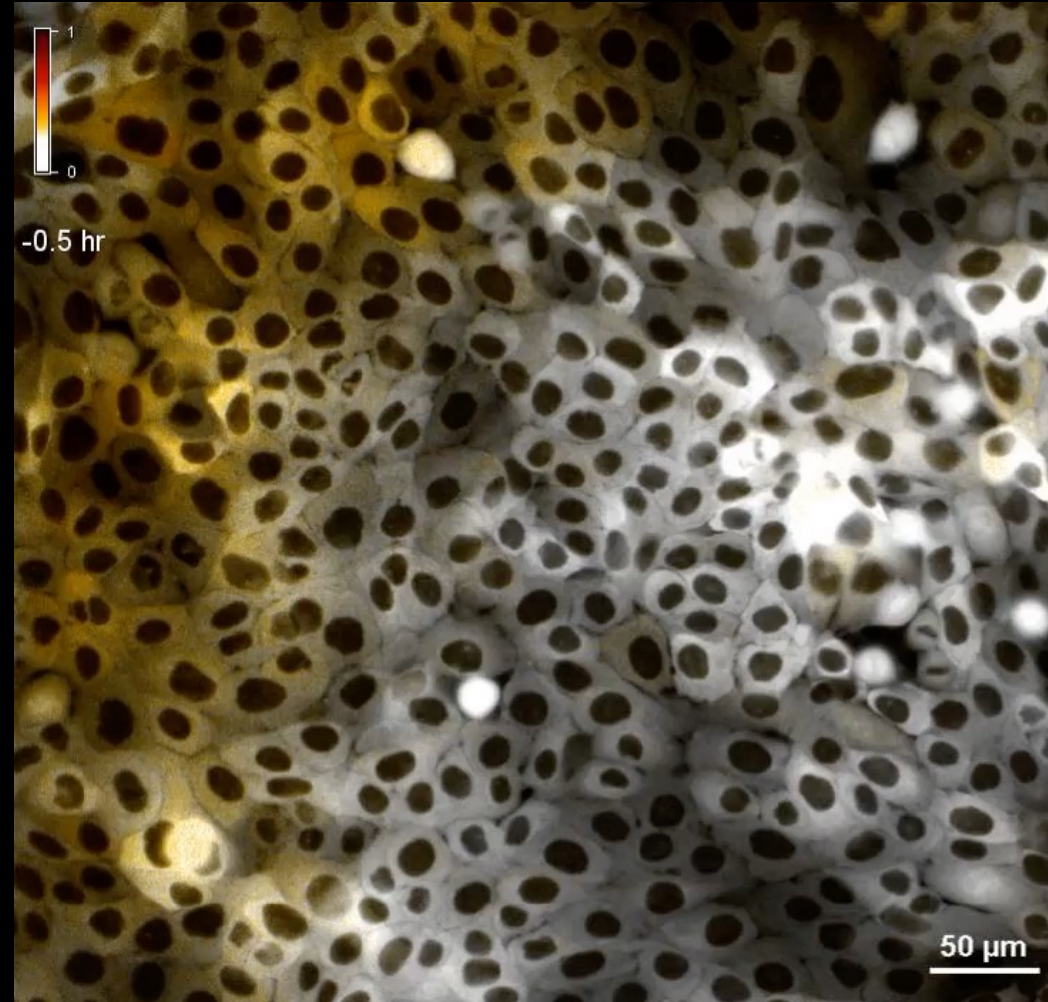


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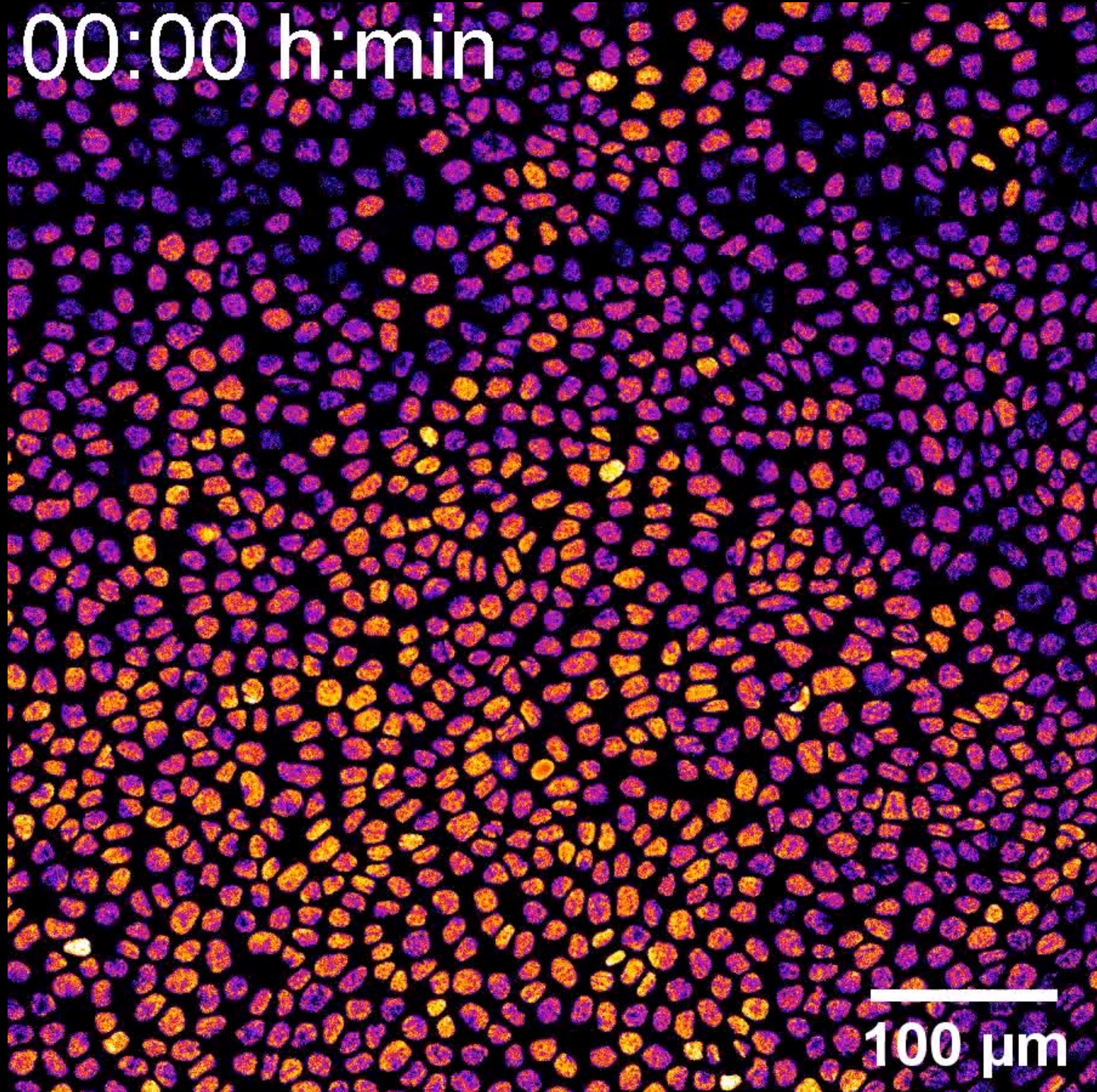
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AMPK oscillations after suppressing glycolysis



Hung et al. eLife 2017;6:e27293.

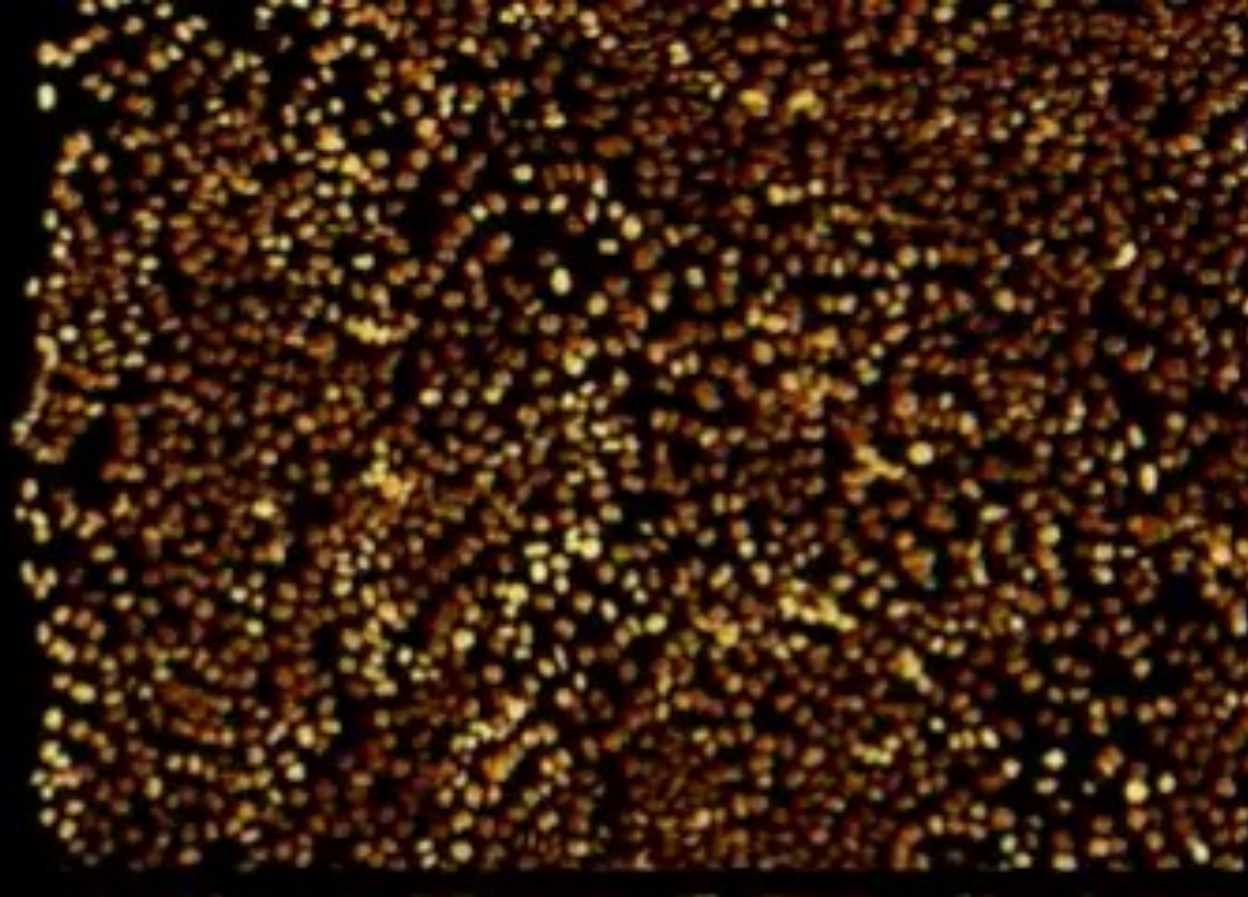
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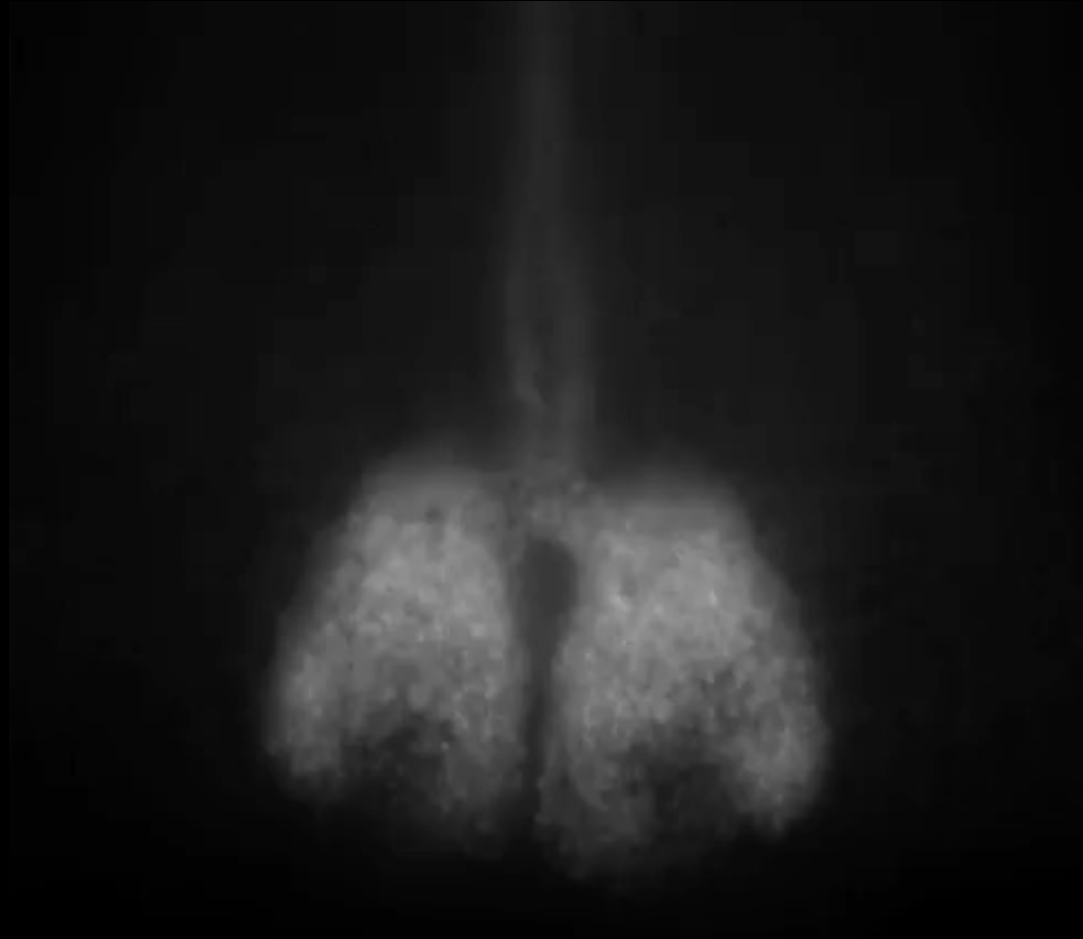
100 μm



Olivier Pertz group, University of
Bern, Switzerland, 2021



Circadian clock

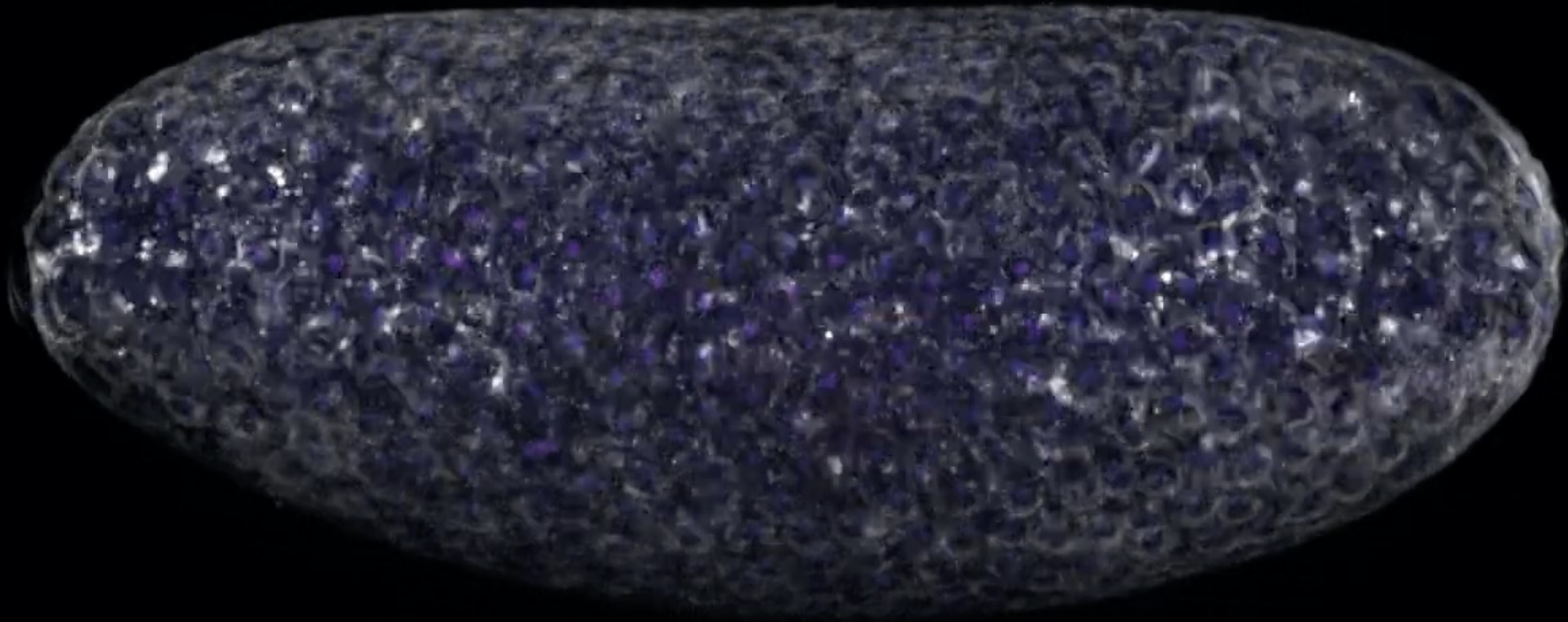


SupraChiasmatic Nucleus (SCN)

Steve Kay, UCSD

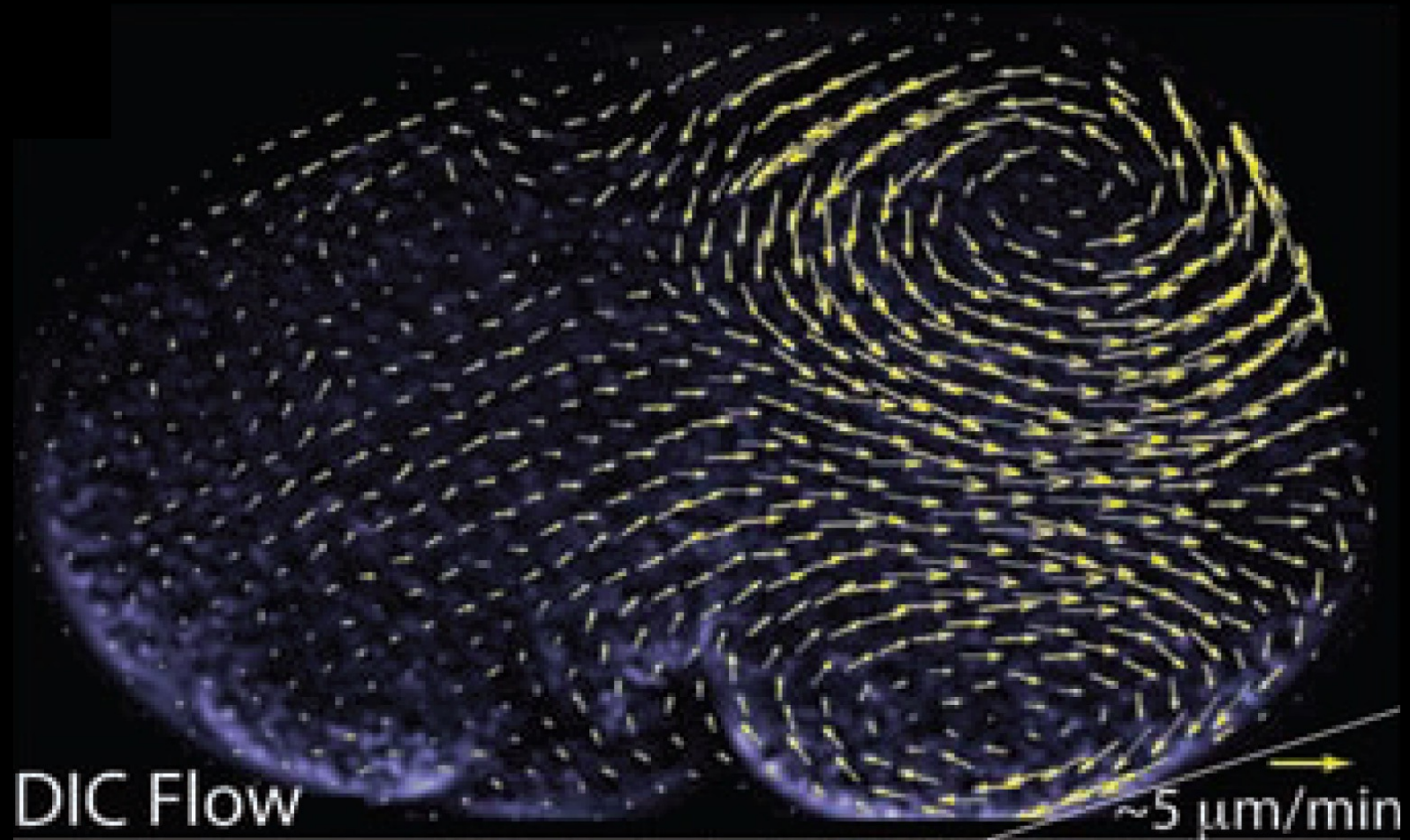
Biological waves in fly embryo

2.9 min

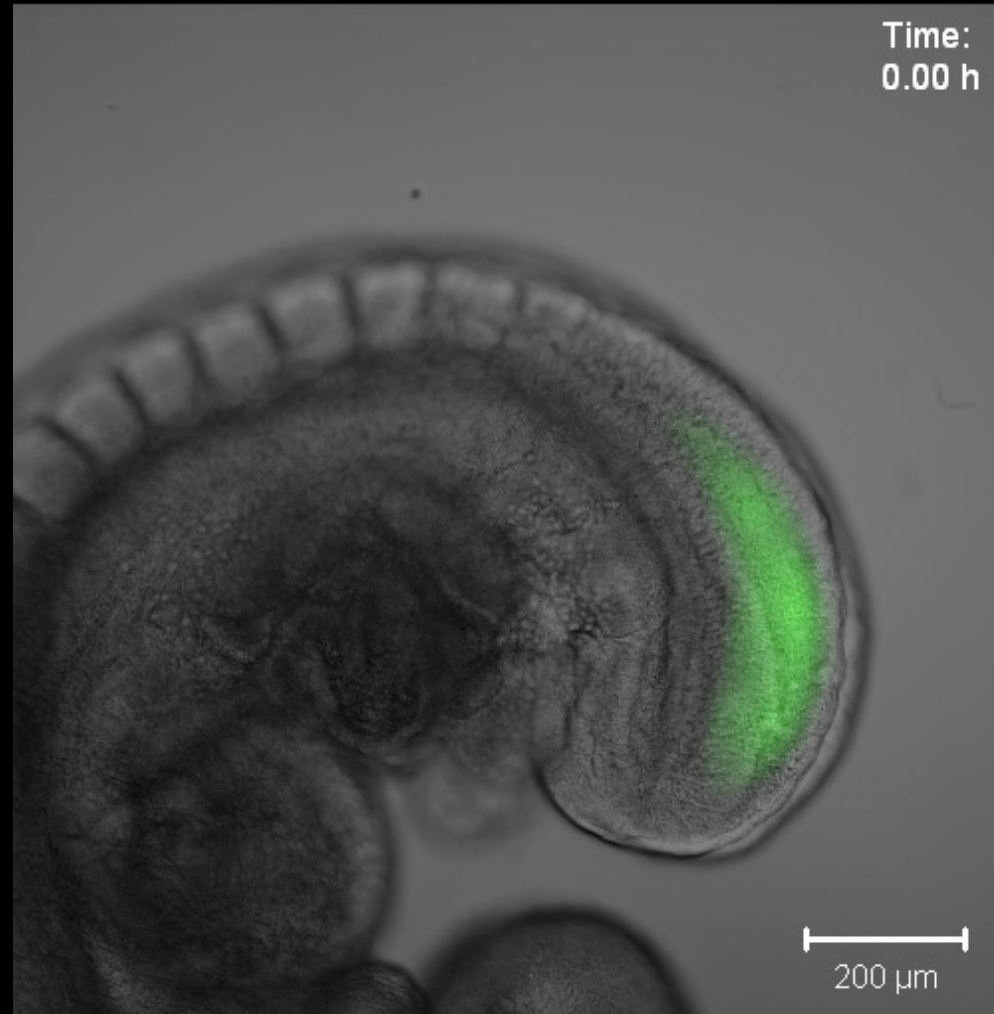


50 μm

P granules in *C. elegans*



Oscillations and segmentation



Nitrogen starvation in biofilm



Cell 185, 145–157, January 6, 2022

Q3: Do you have any question for my presentation so far?

Any question?

Q4: Do you have a dream?

Ask yourself in the next ~15 mins

What is quantitative biology looking for?



High-quality
quantitative
dataset

Simplifying
theory

Deeper
simplifying
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Where are we in biology?



General principles in biology

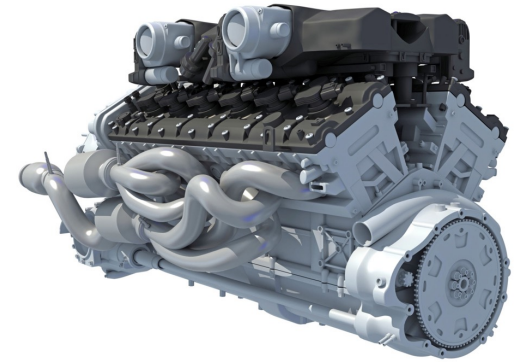




What are the principles in *car-ology*?

Design principles in *car-ology*

- What is a car?
- What makes a car?
- What are the functions of a car?



Emergent properties



Design principles

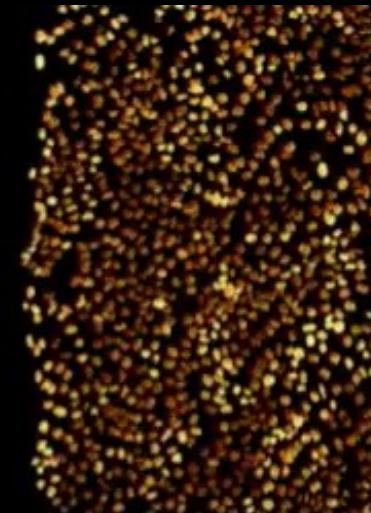
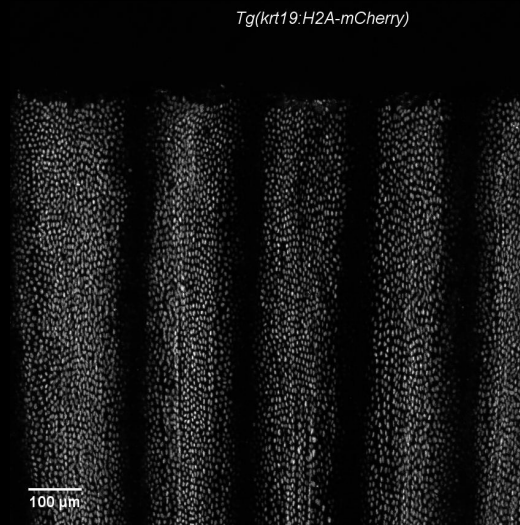
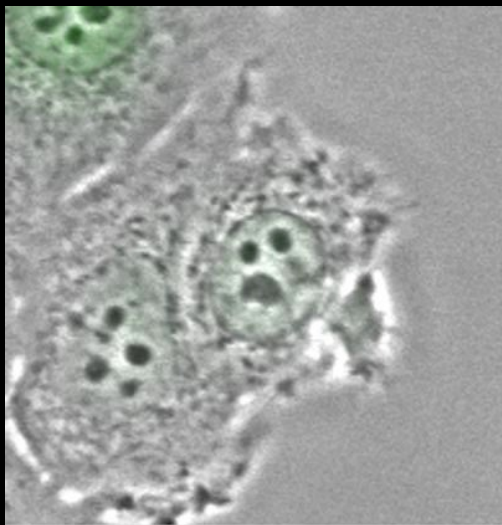
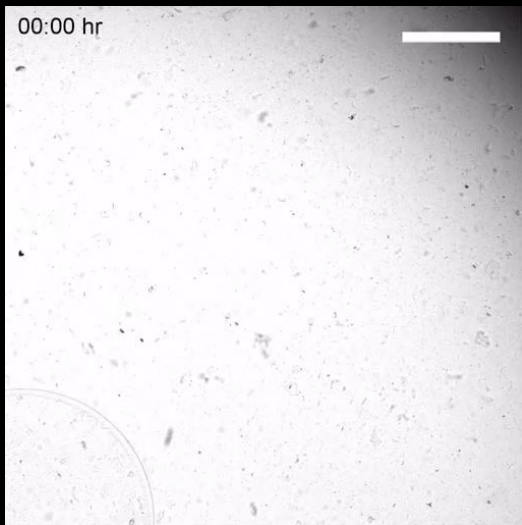
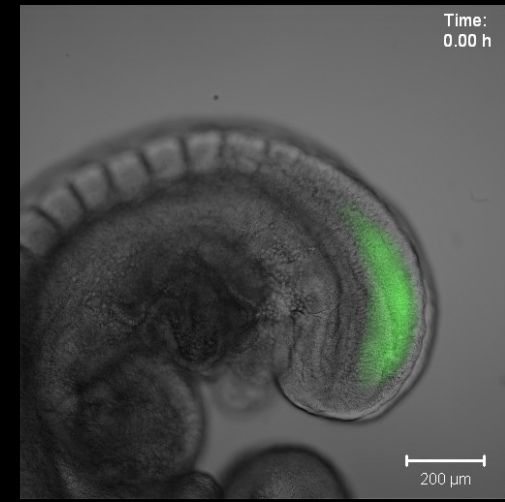
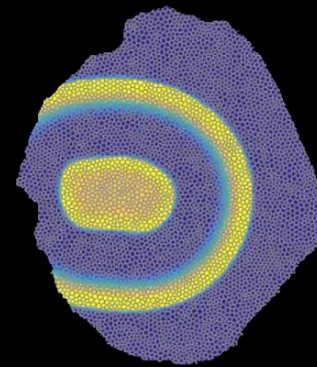
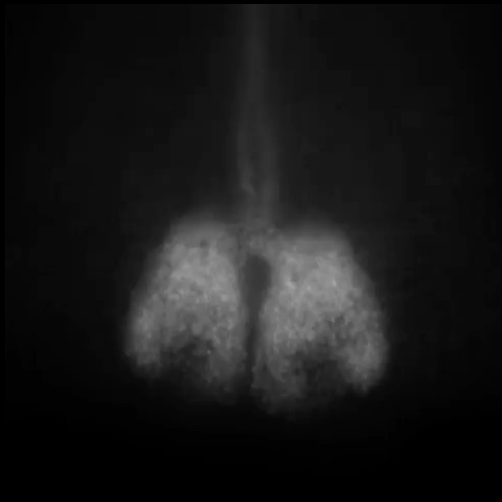
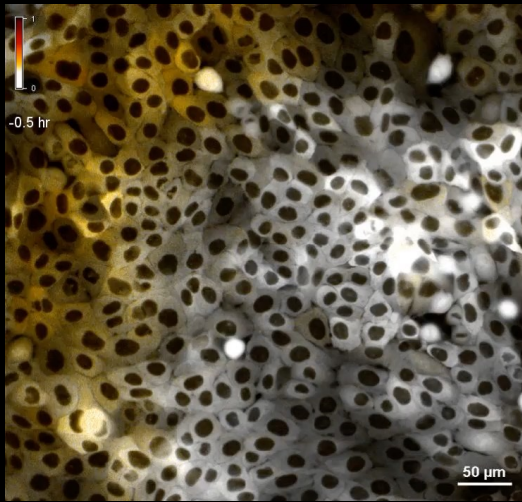


Individual components



What are the design principles in *biology*?

"General principles" underlying biological dynamics



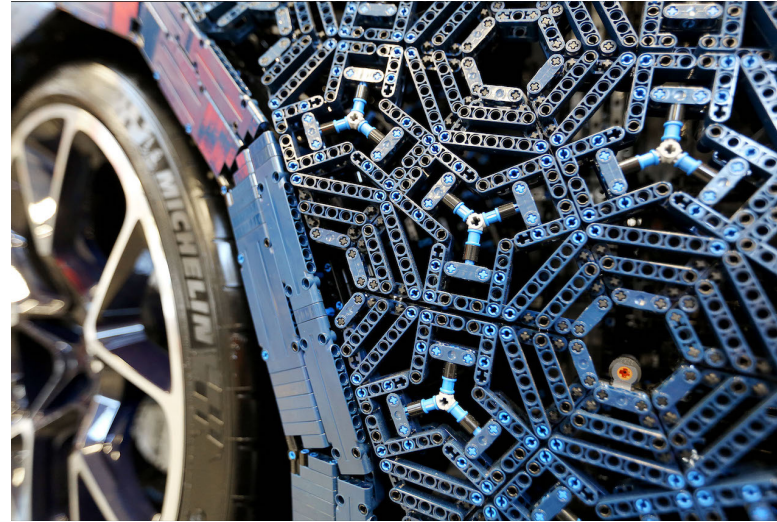
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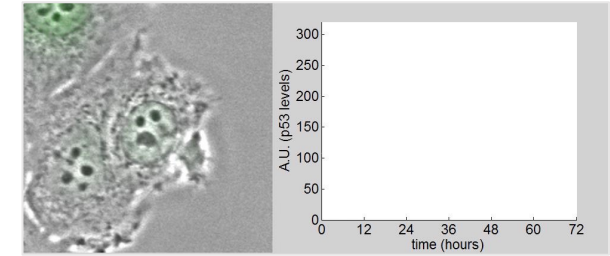
Design principles



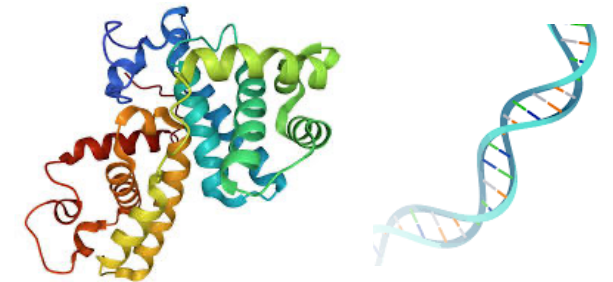
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Biological dynamics



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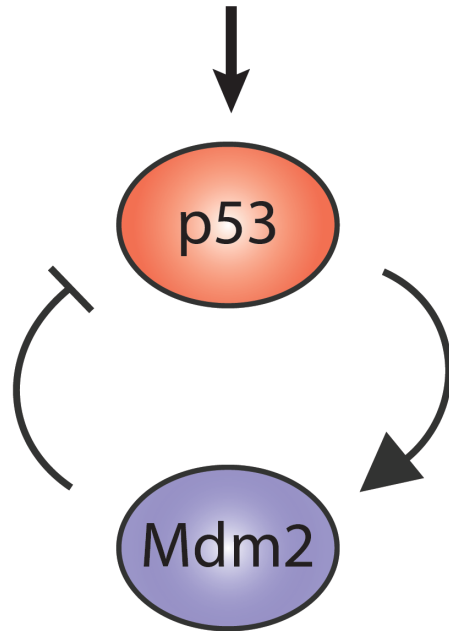


How do we find principles in *biological oscillators*?

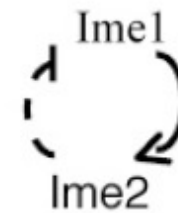
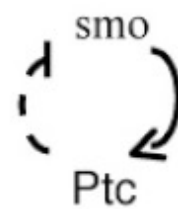
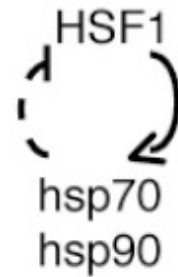
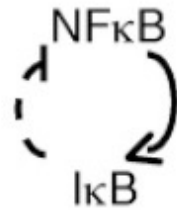
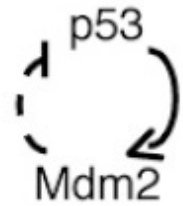
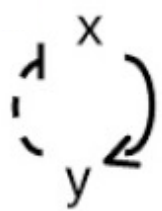
Dynamics → Principles

Molecular mechanism underlying the p53 oscillator

DNA damage

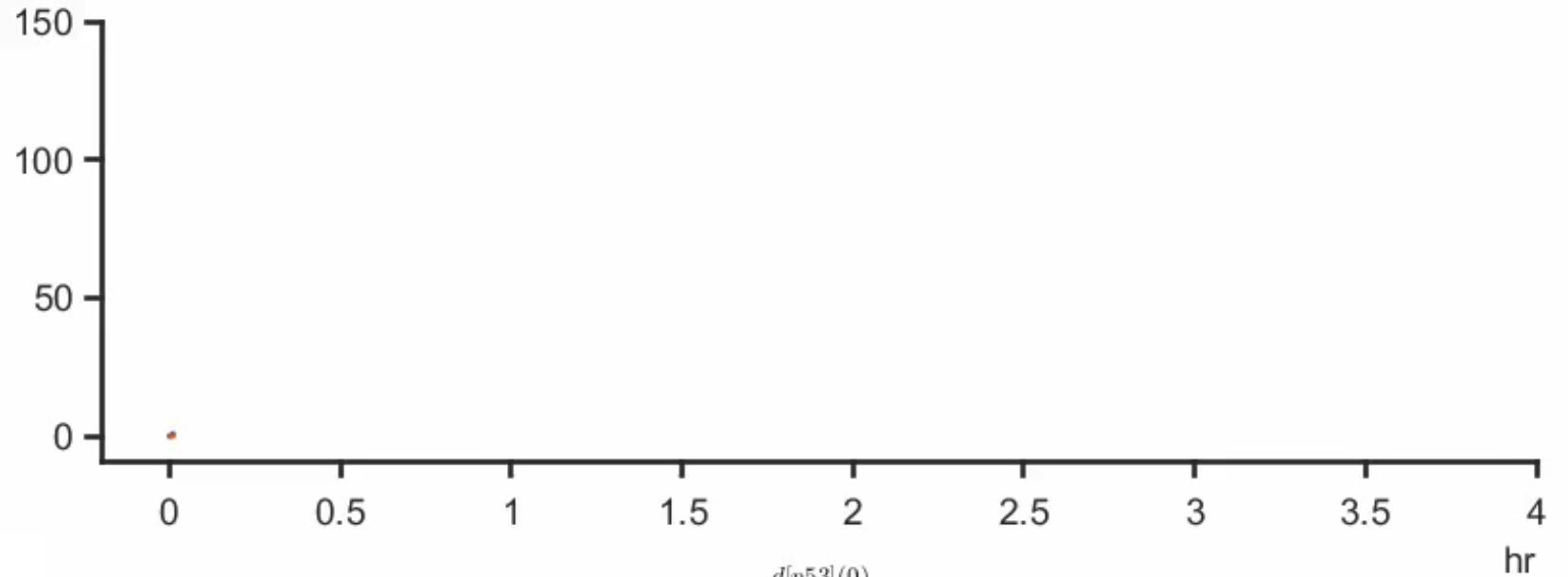
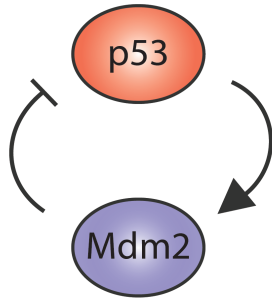


General molecular feature of biological oscillators



Nat Genet. 2004 Feb;36(2):147-50.

"Solve" the differential equations by computation



$$\frac{d[p53]}{dt} = \alpha - \beta[Mdm2] \frac{[p53]}{\gamma + [p53]}$$

$$\frac{d[Mdm2]}{dt} = \psi[p53(t - \tau)] - \delta[Mdm2]$$

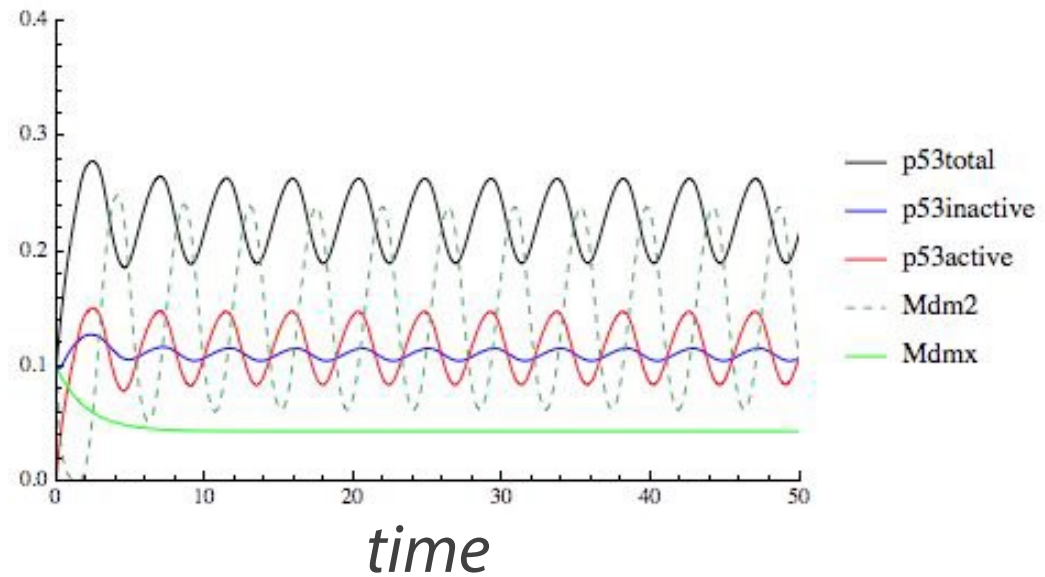
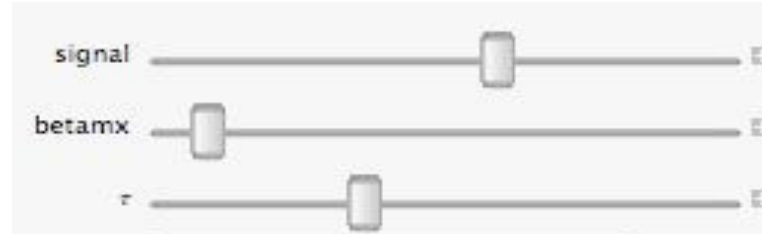
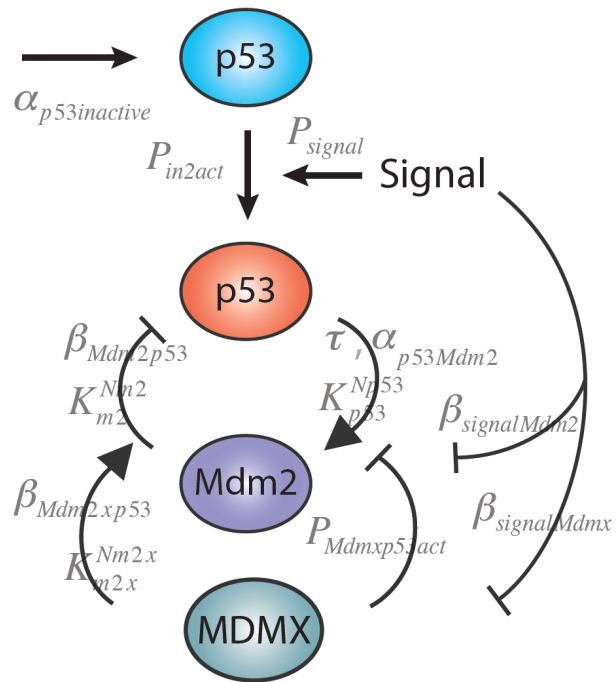
$$[p53](0) = 0$$

$$[Mdm2](0) = 0$$

$$[p53](0.01) = [p53](0) + \frac{d[p53](0)}{dt} \times dt = 0 + 80 \times 0.01 = 0.8$$

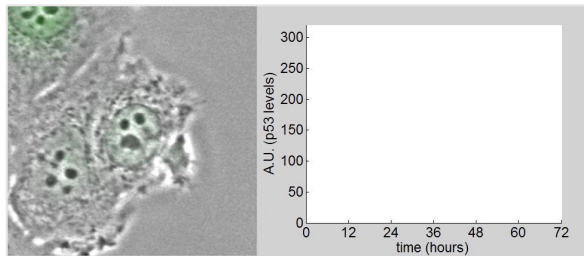
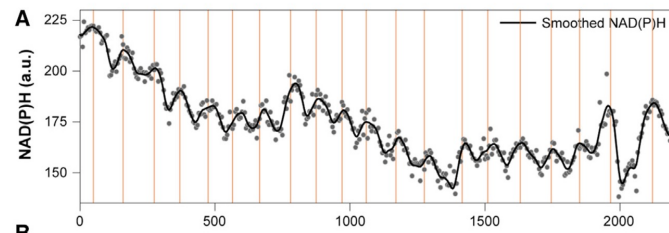
$$[Mdm2](0.01) = [Mdm2](0) + \frac{d[Mdm2](0)}{dt} \times dt = 0 + 0 \times 0.01 = 0$$

In silico exploration of regulators for p53 dynamics



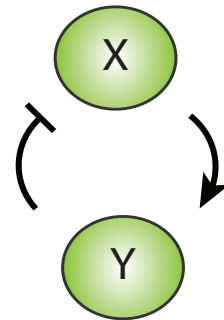
General principles governing biological oscillators

High-quality
quantitative
dataset



Simplifying
theory

Delayed negative feedback
e.g., multi-step regulations...



Deeper
simplifying
theory

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How do biological
oscillators emerge during
evolution?

Can we predict when
and where biological
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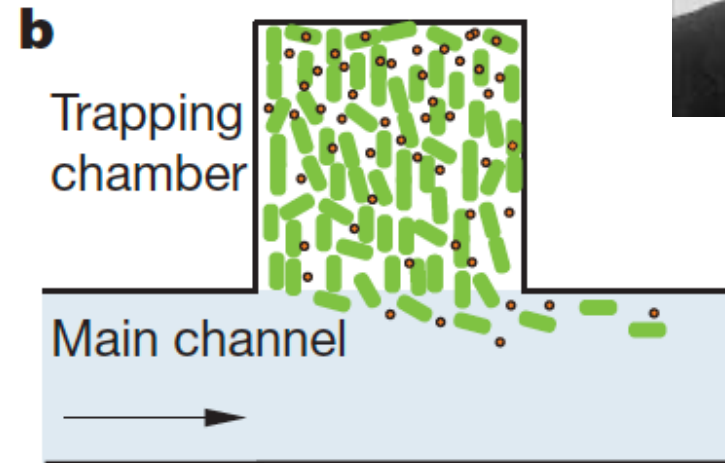
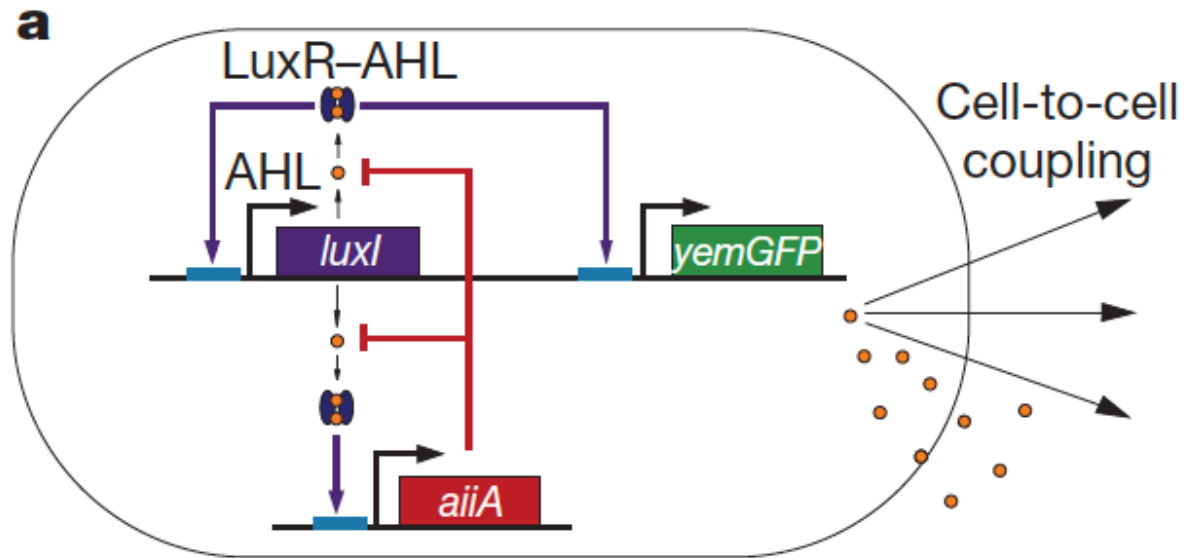
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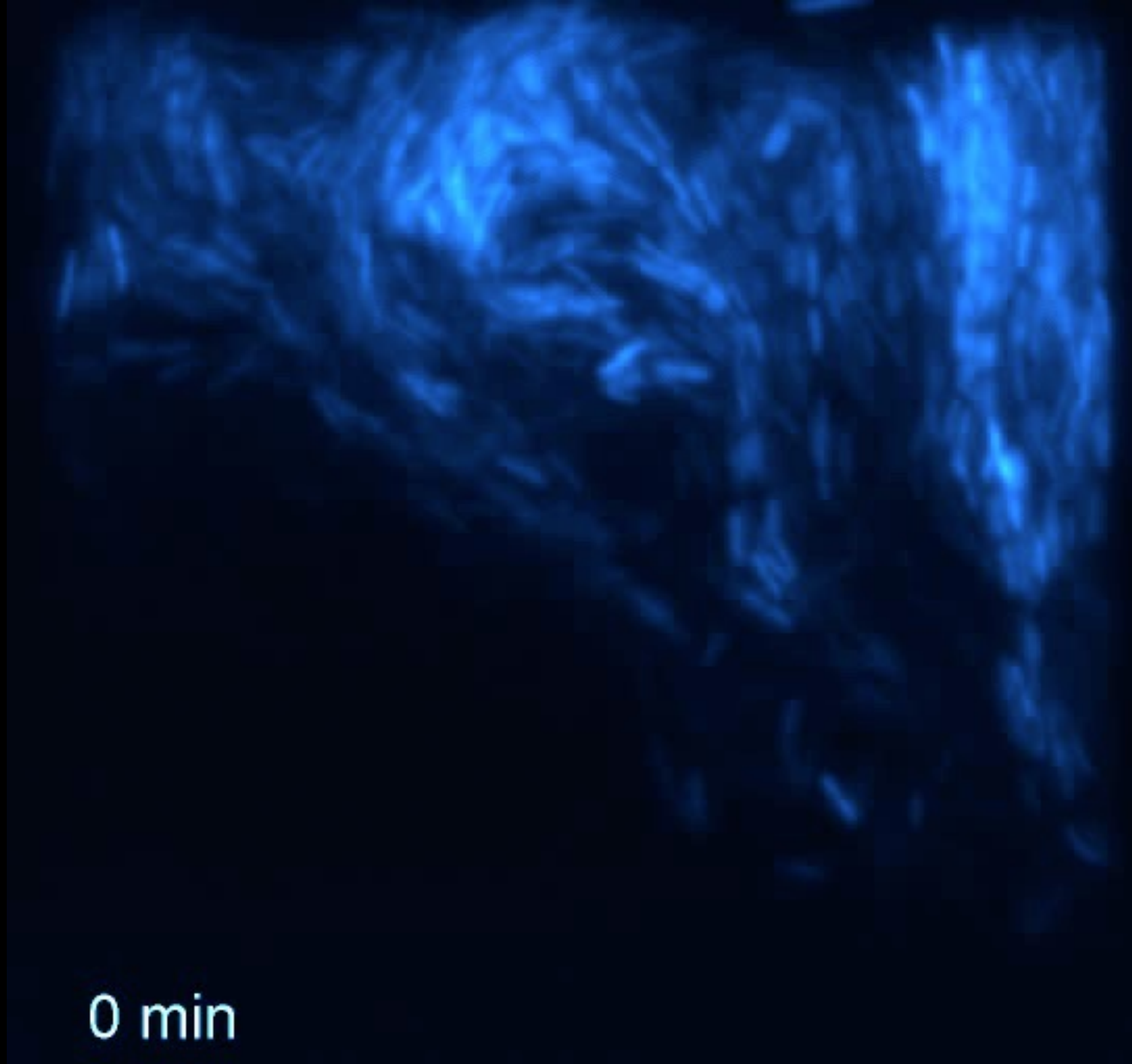
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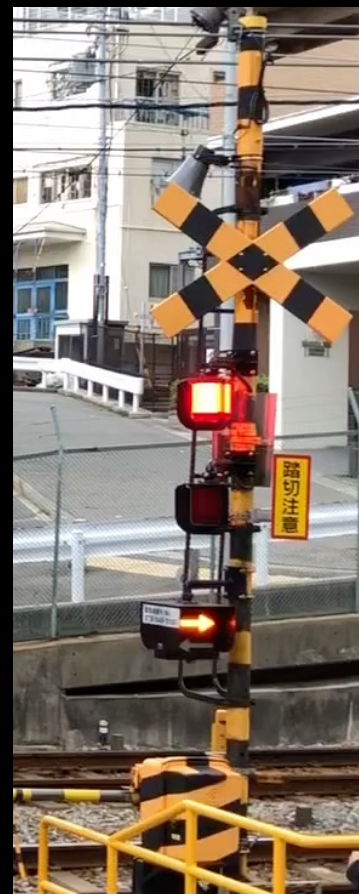
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2 min



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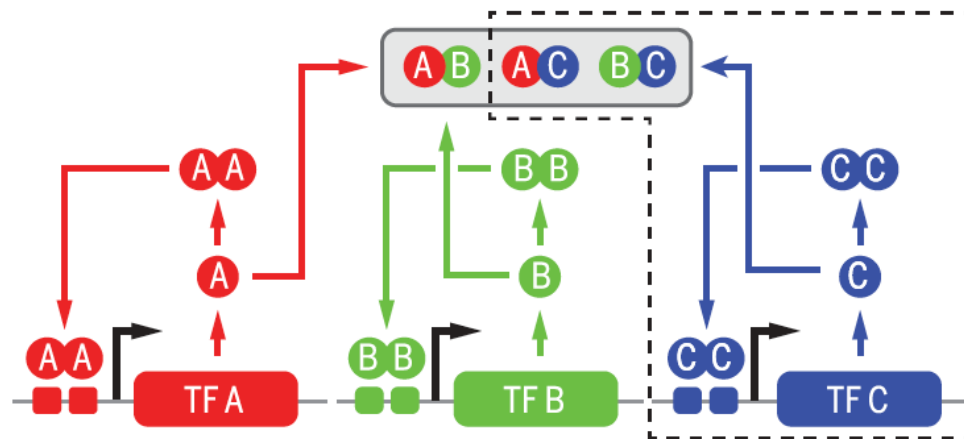
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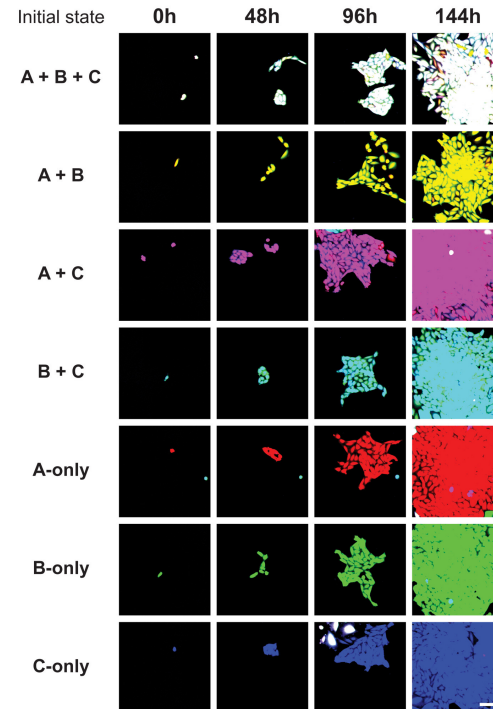
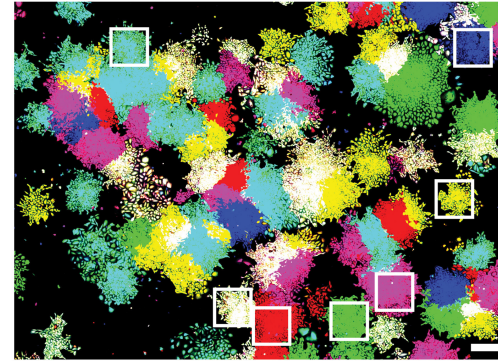
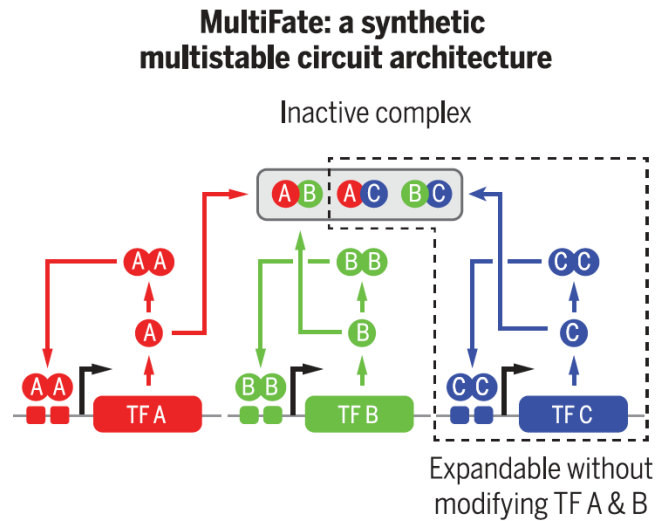
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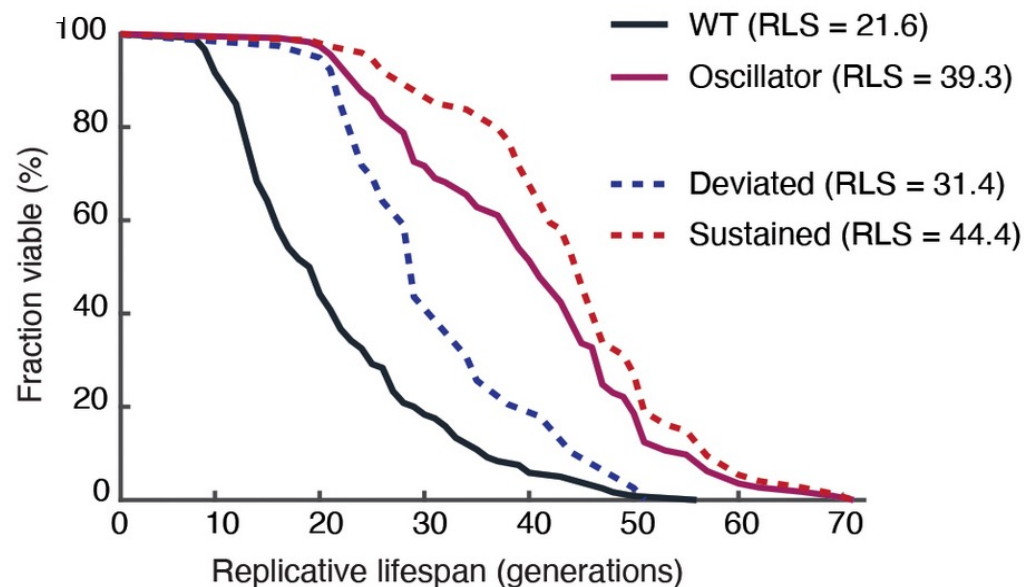
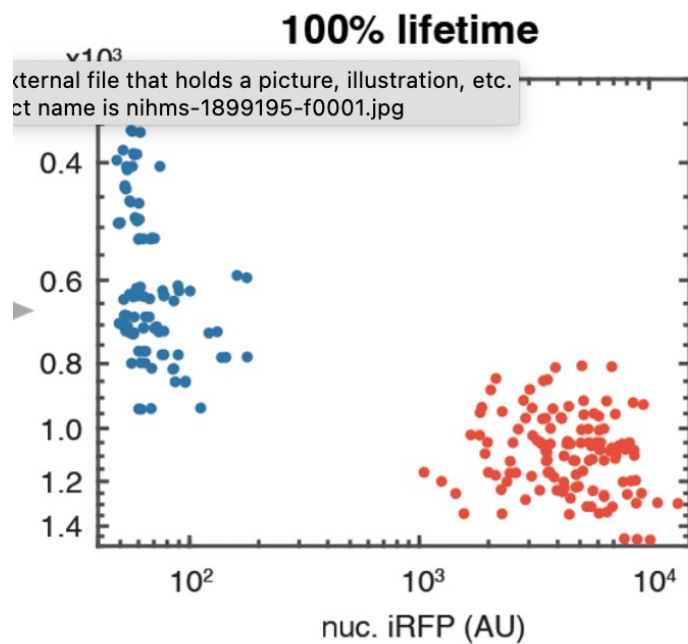
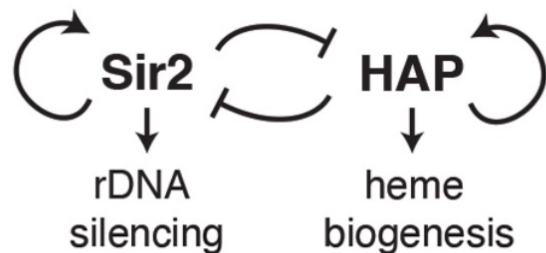
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