



Instrument Control and Image Acquisition Tools for Live-Cell Imaging

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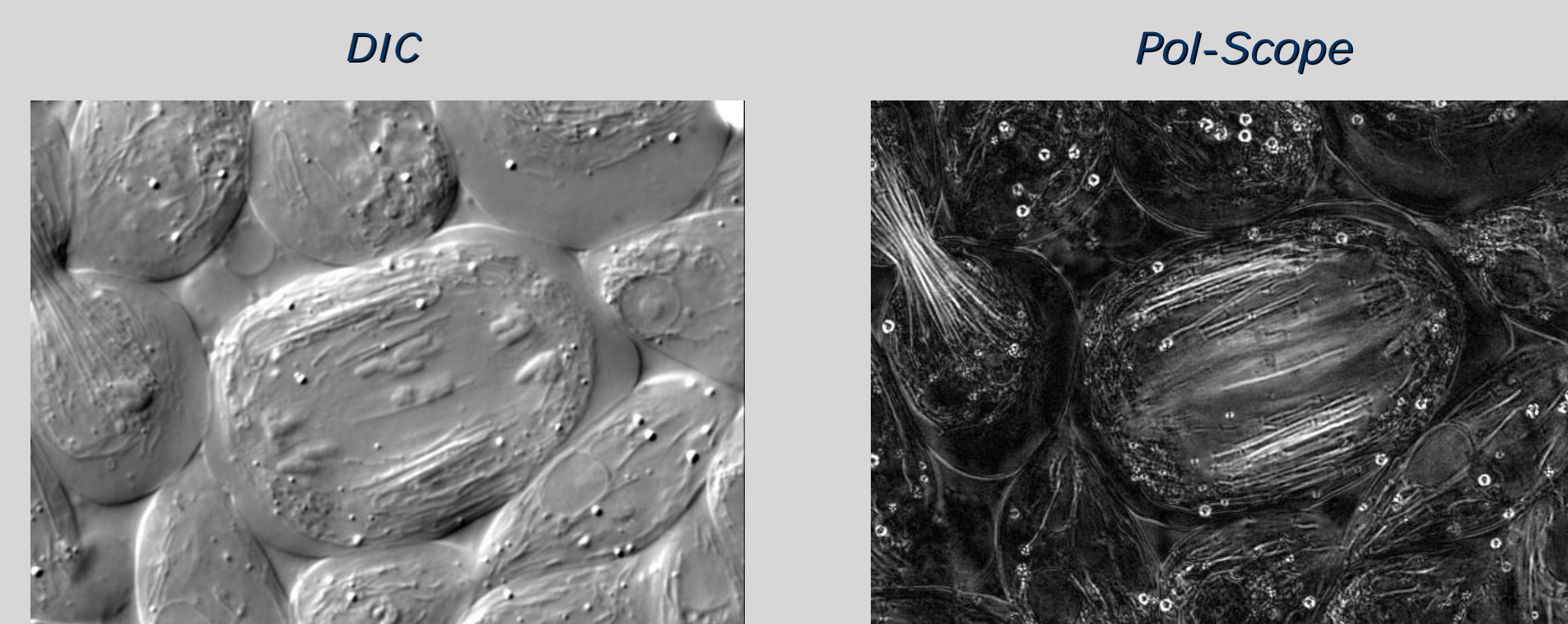
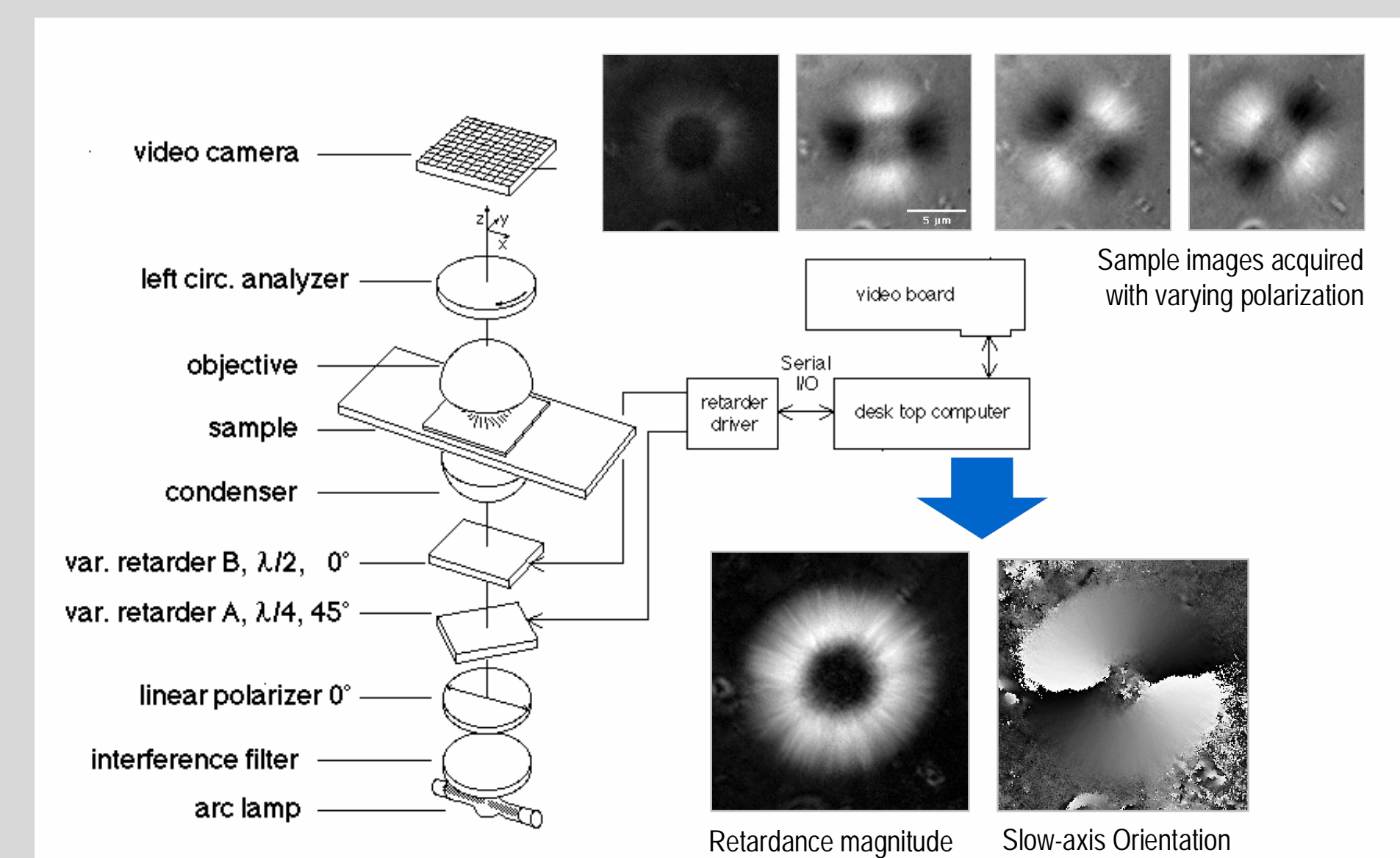
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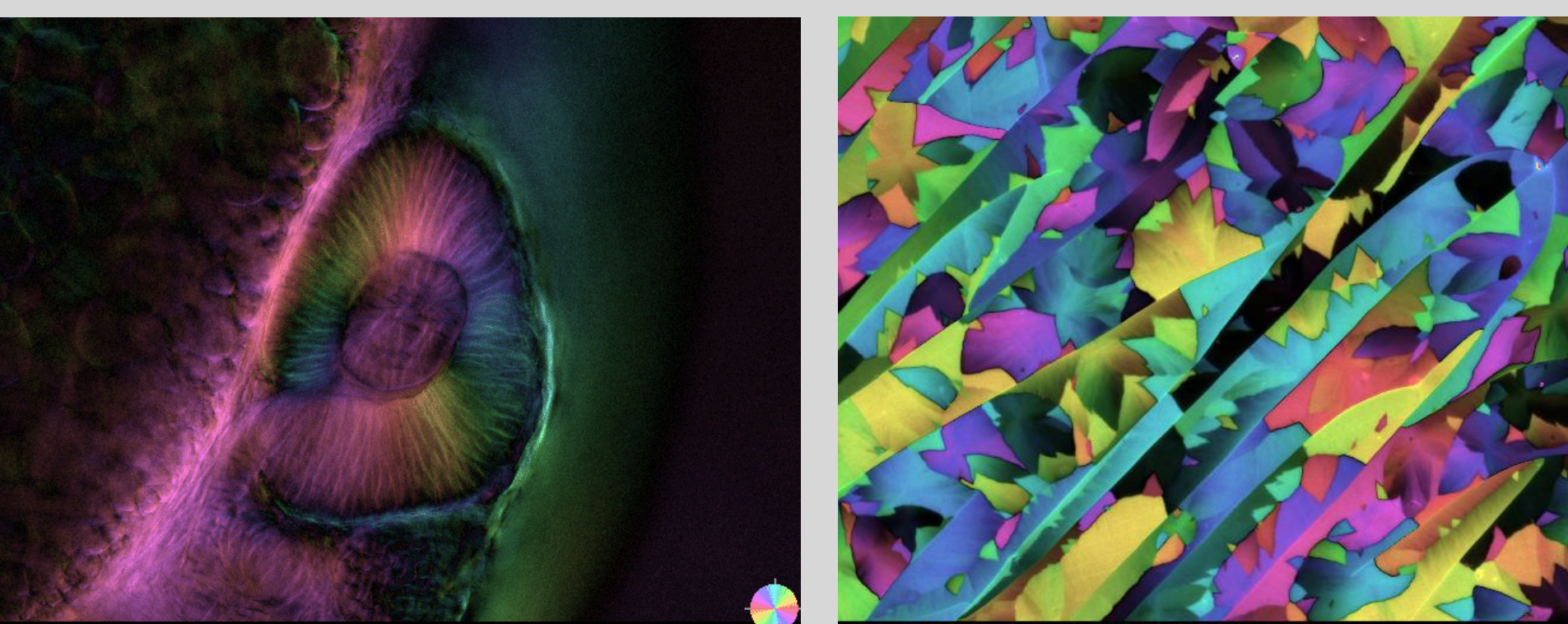
Intro

JIF (Java Instrumentation Framework) is an open source, extensible architecture for instrument control and image acquisition under development at the Cellular Dynamics Program, Marine Biological Laboratory. The software is currently used for live-cell imaging with polarization and fluorescence microscopes.

LC-PolScope: Birefringence Imaging of Live Cells



Crane Fly Spermatocyte in Meiosis



Fish embryo eye

Calcite crystals

ImageJ Integration

Can be launched as the primary application or as an ImageJ plugin
Image transfer to/from ImageJ

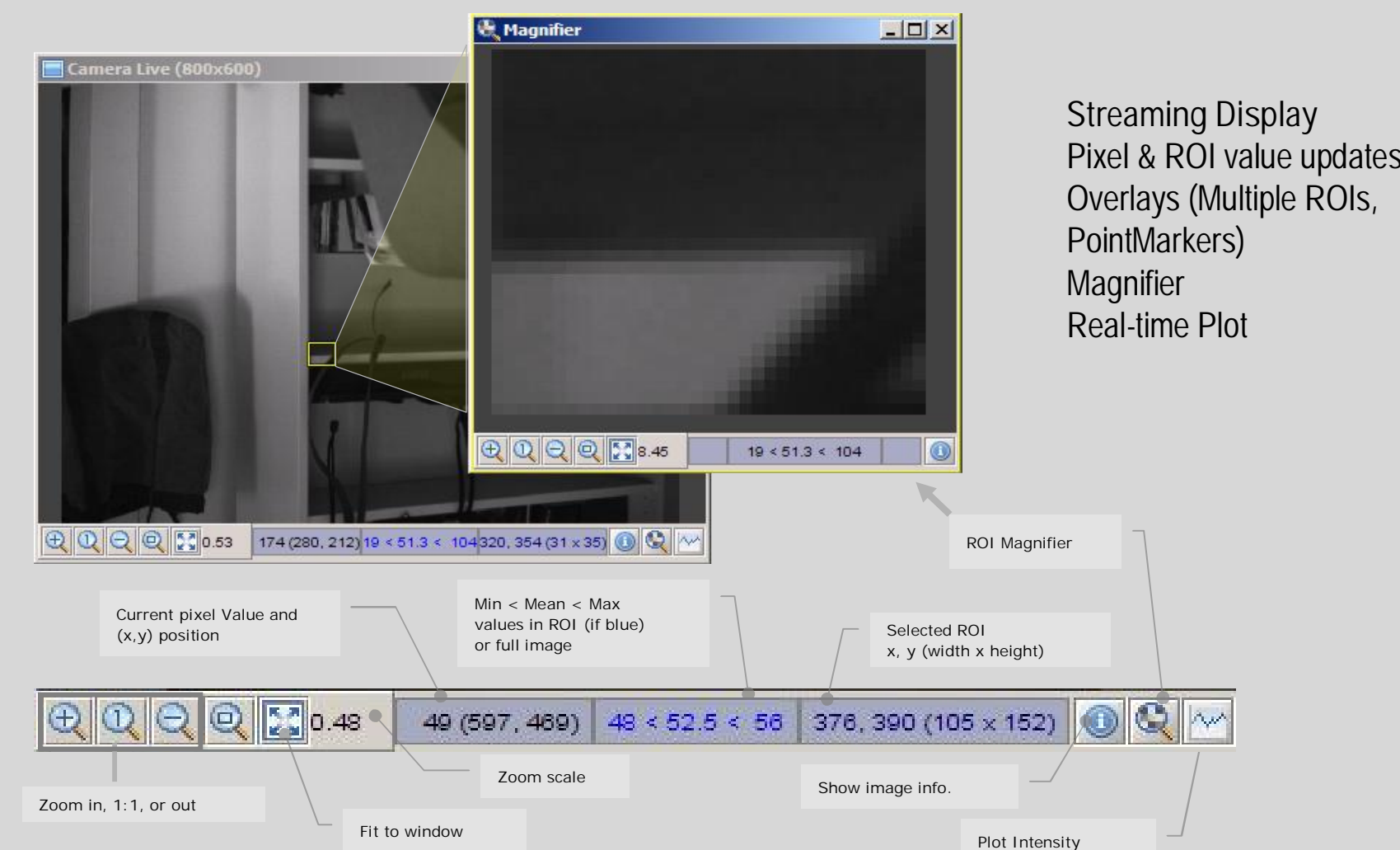
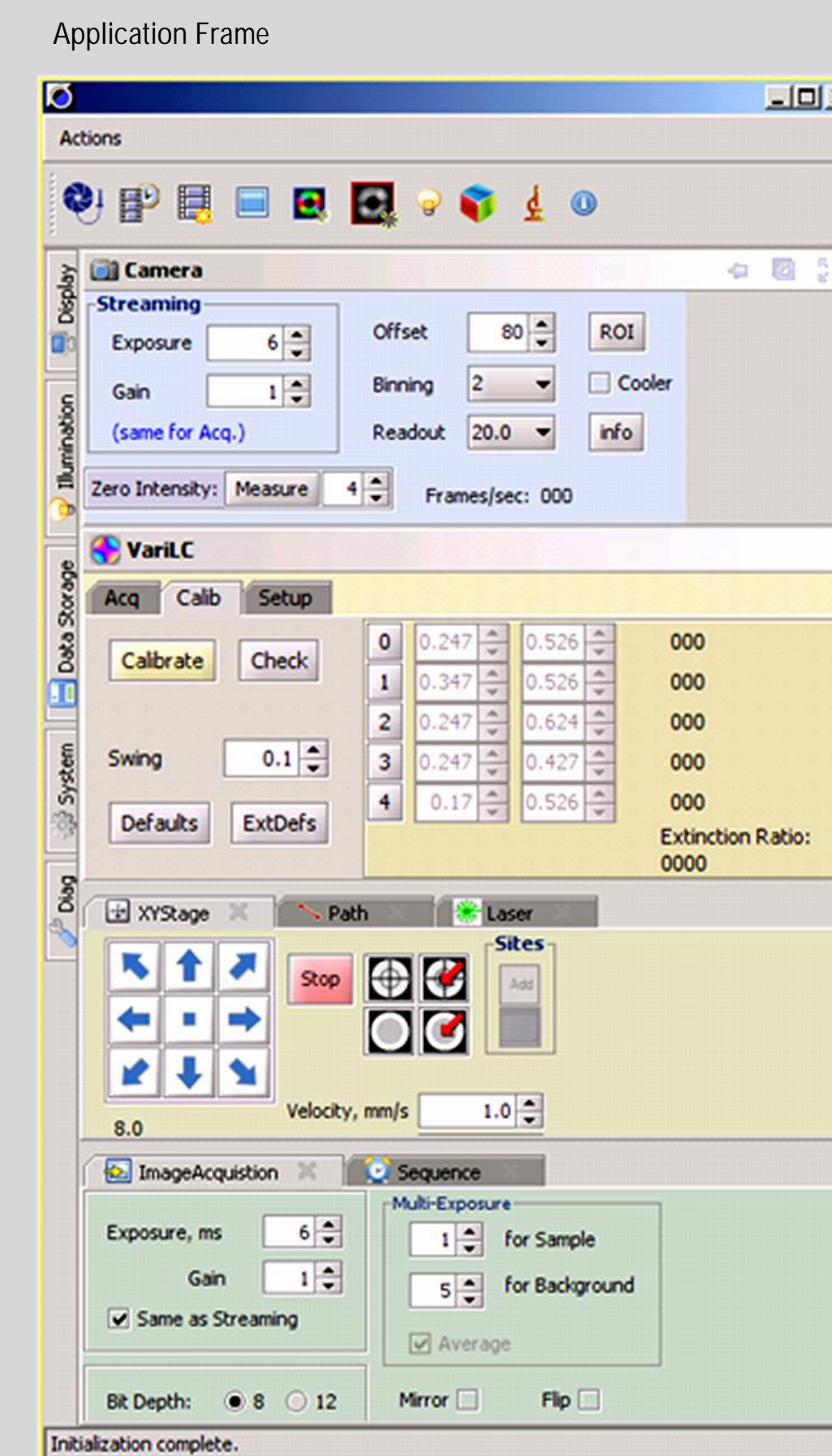
BufferedImage <=> ImagePlus/ImageProcessor

Invoking plugin with args (with GenericDialog bypass)

Drafting for proposal for:
Refactoring ImageJ to Interfaces & Abstract Classes
November, 2008

User Interface

Built on an application framework that includes docking, dialogs, binding values to UI components, configuration, error handling, and diagnostics.



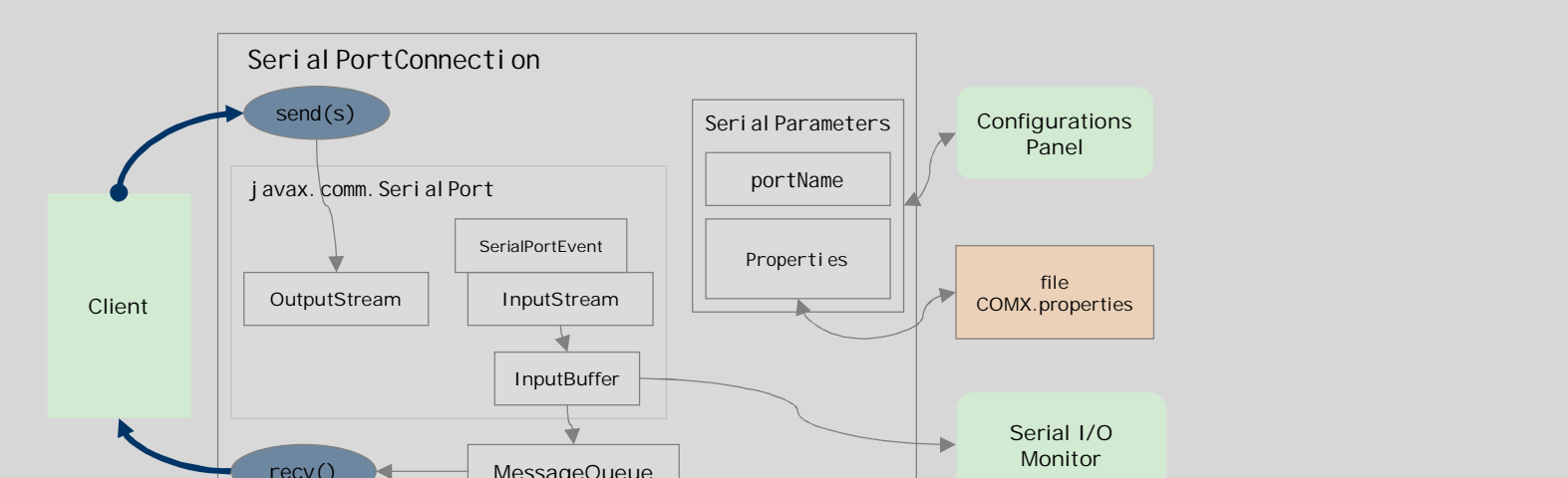
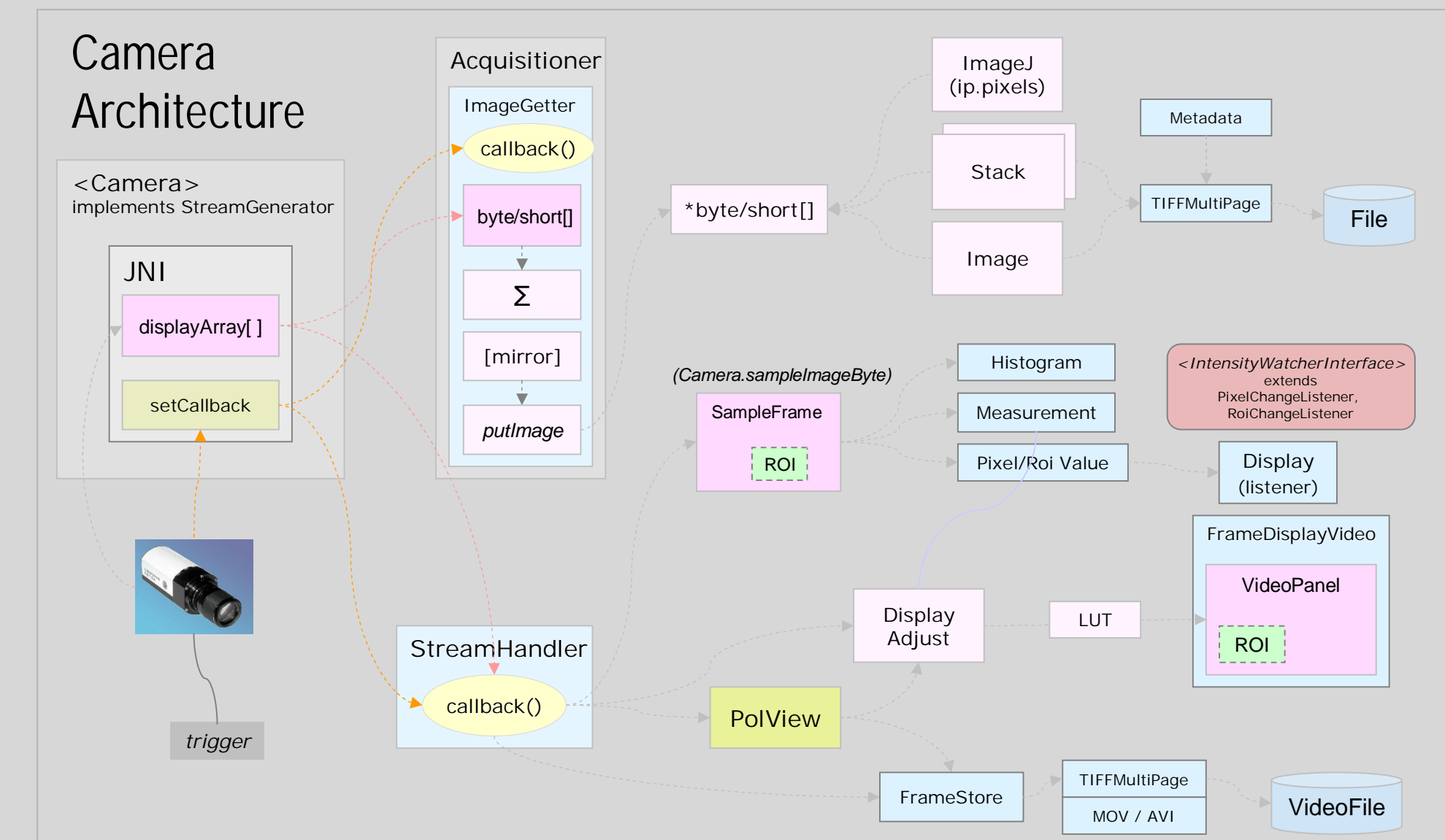
Streaming Display
Pixel & ROI value updates
Overlays (Multiple ROIs,
PointMarkers)
Magnifier
Real-time Plot

Design Features

- GUI
 - Tabbed docking layout for panels
 - Actions on toolbars
- User Profiles
- Modes
- Module configuration
 - Preferences / Defaults
 - Devices / Ports
- Programmable
 - From Java thru API
 - Scripting Engines
 - Wrappers and Helpers for ImageJ

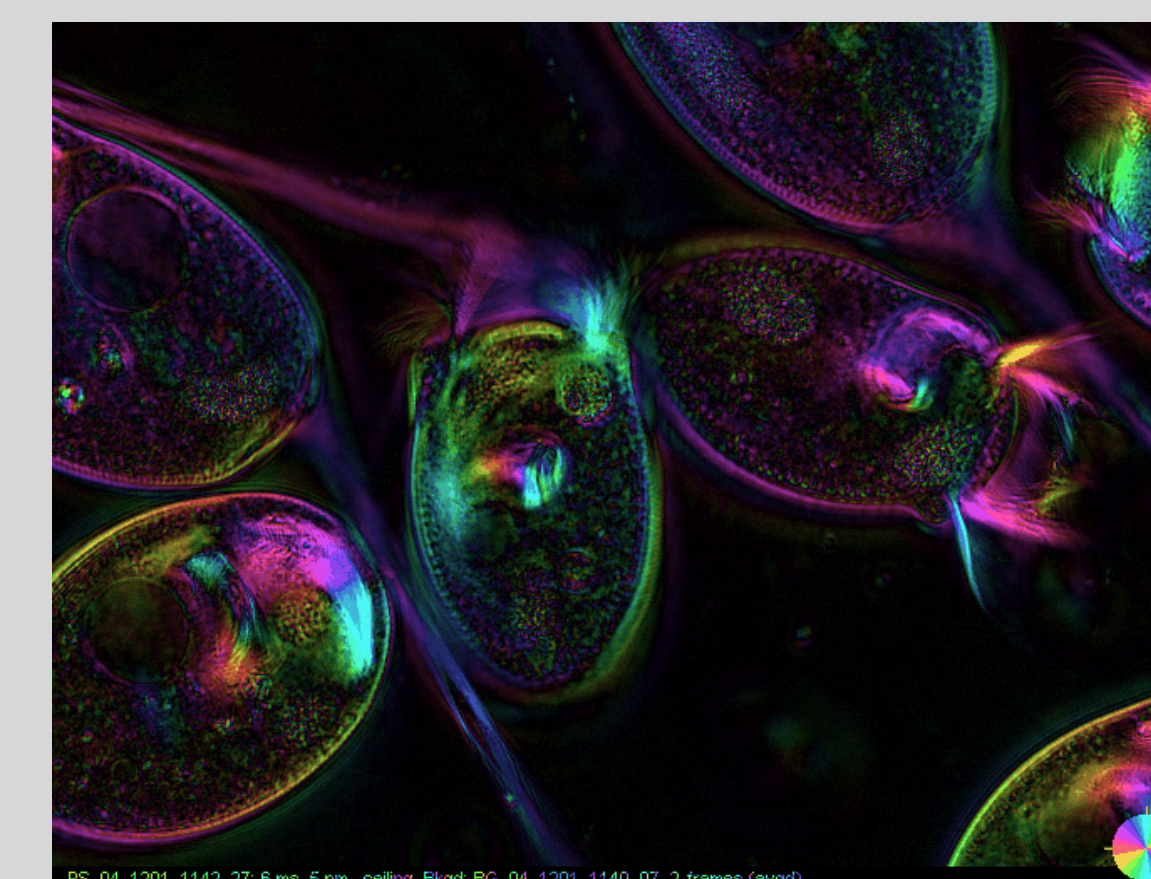
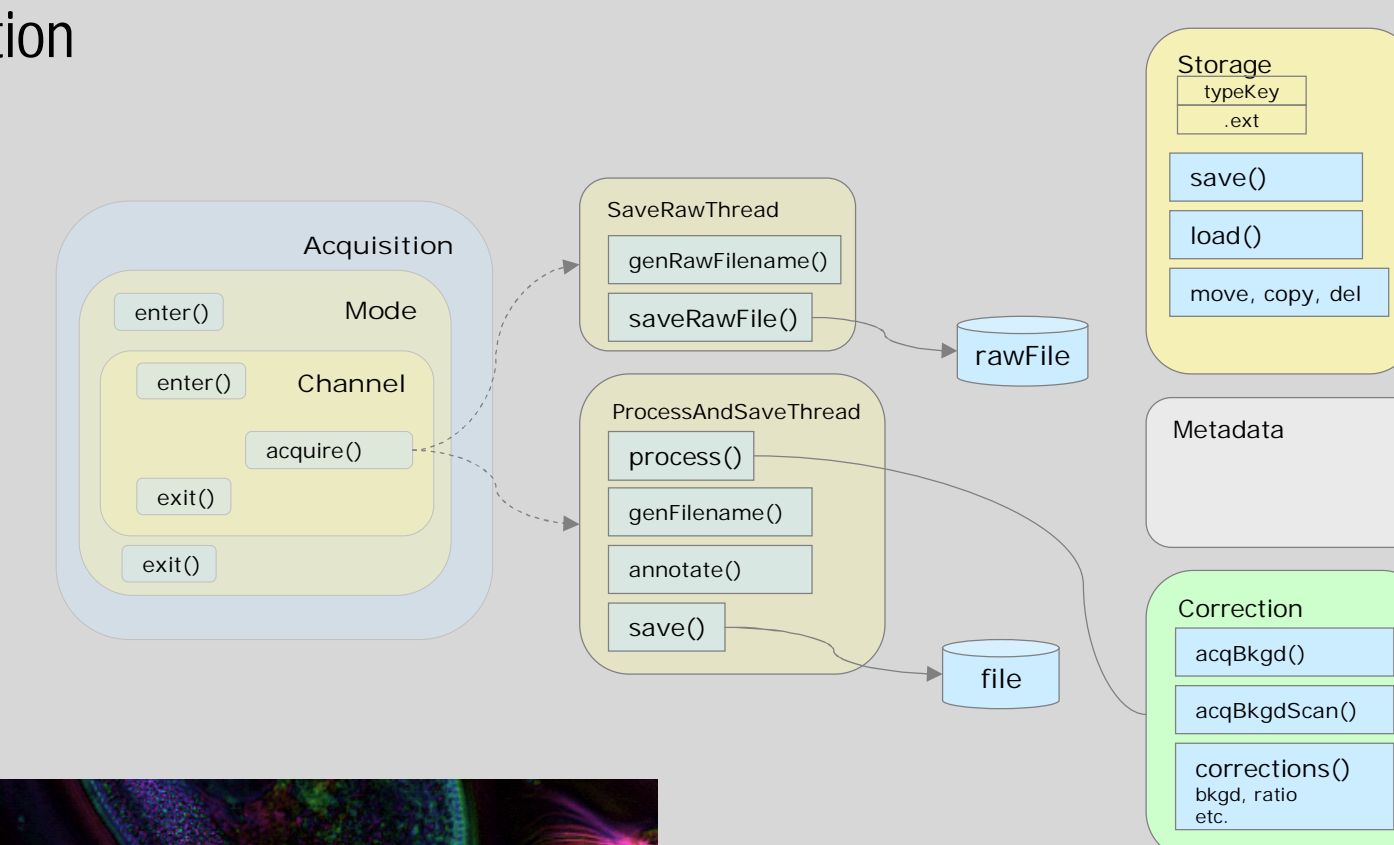
Hardware Interfacing

Instrument Control Components
Illumination and shutter controls
Control of active optical components (variable LC retarders)
XY and Z stage motion control,
Image acquisition and streaming (USB and QImaging Firewire cameras)



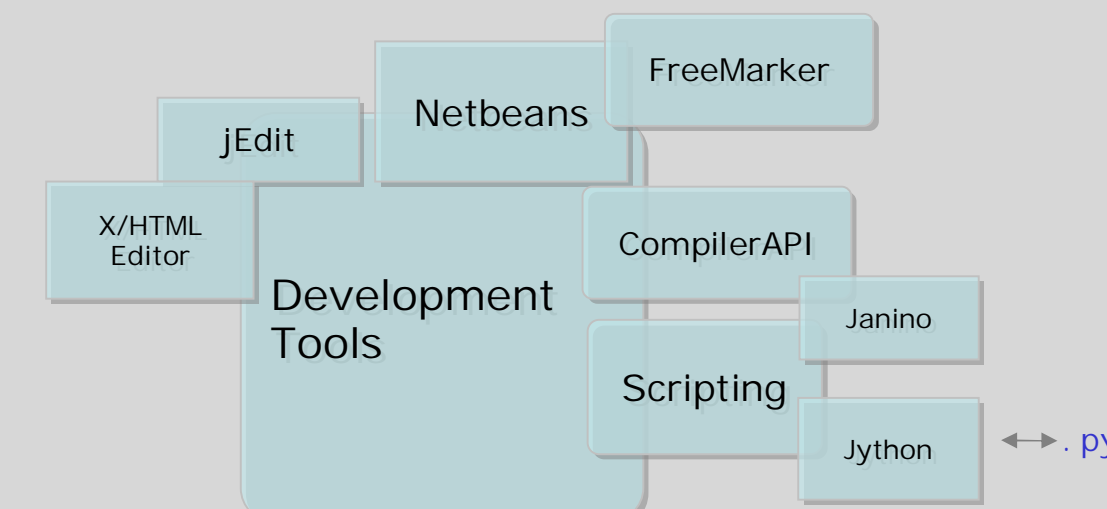
Acquisition

Multi-model Acquisition
Image processing
Metadata capture
Data management

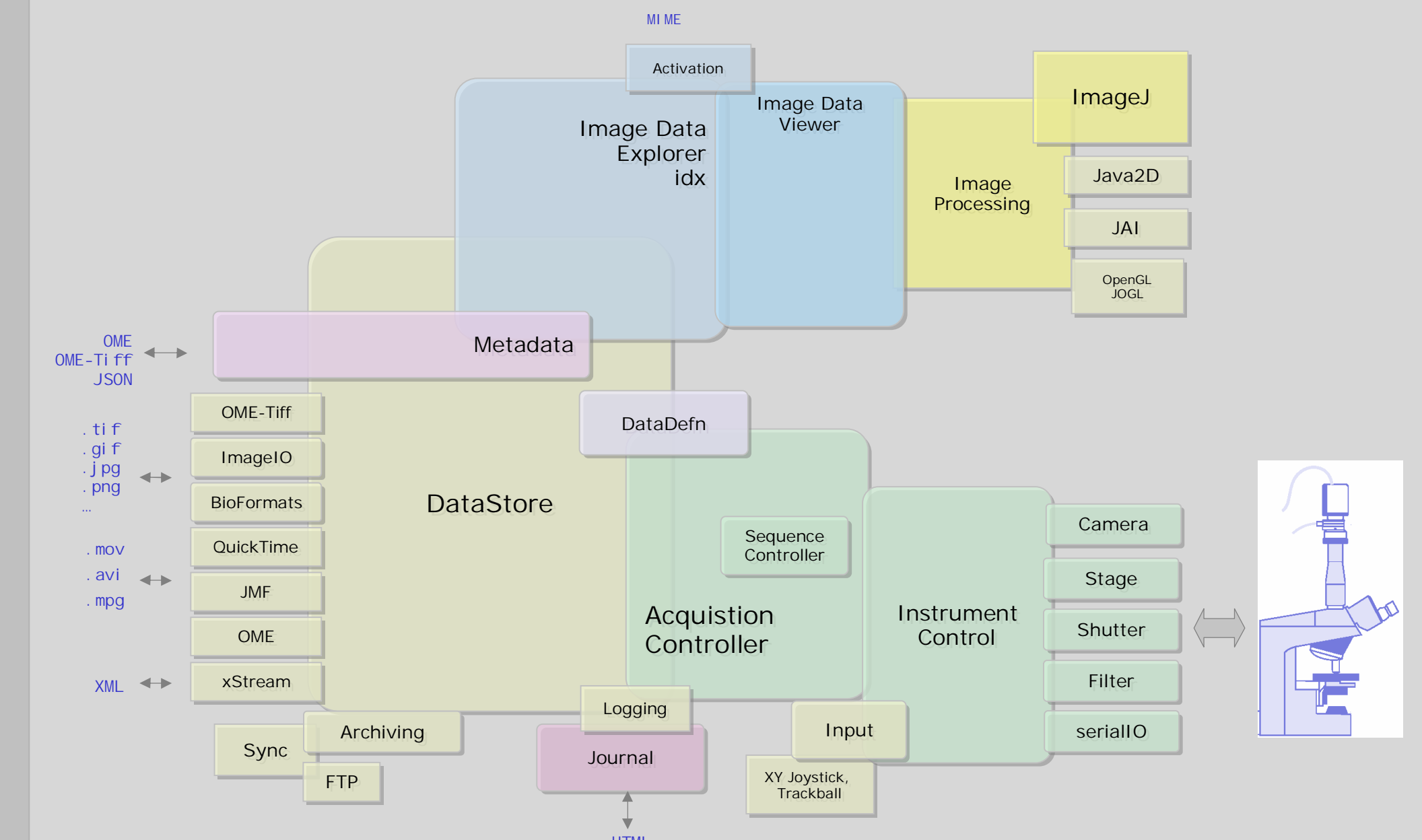


Live Vorticella with Orientation Color Mapping

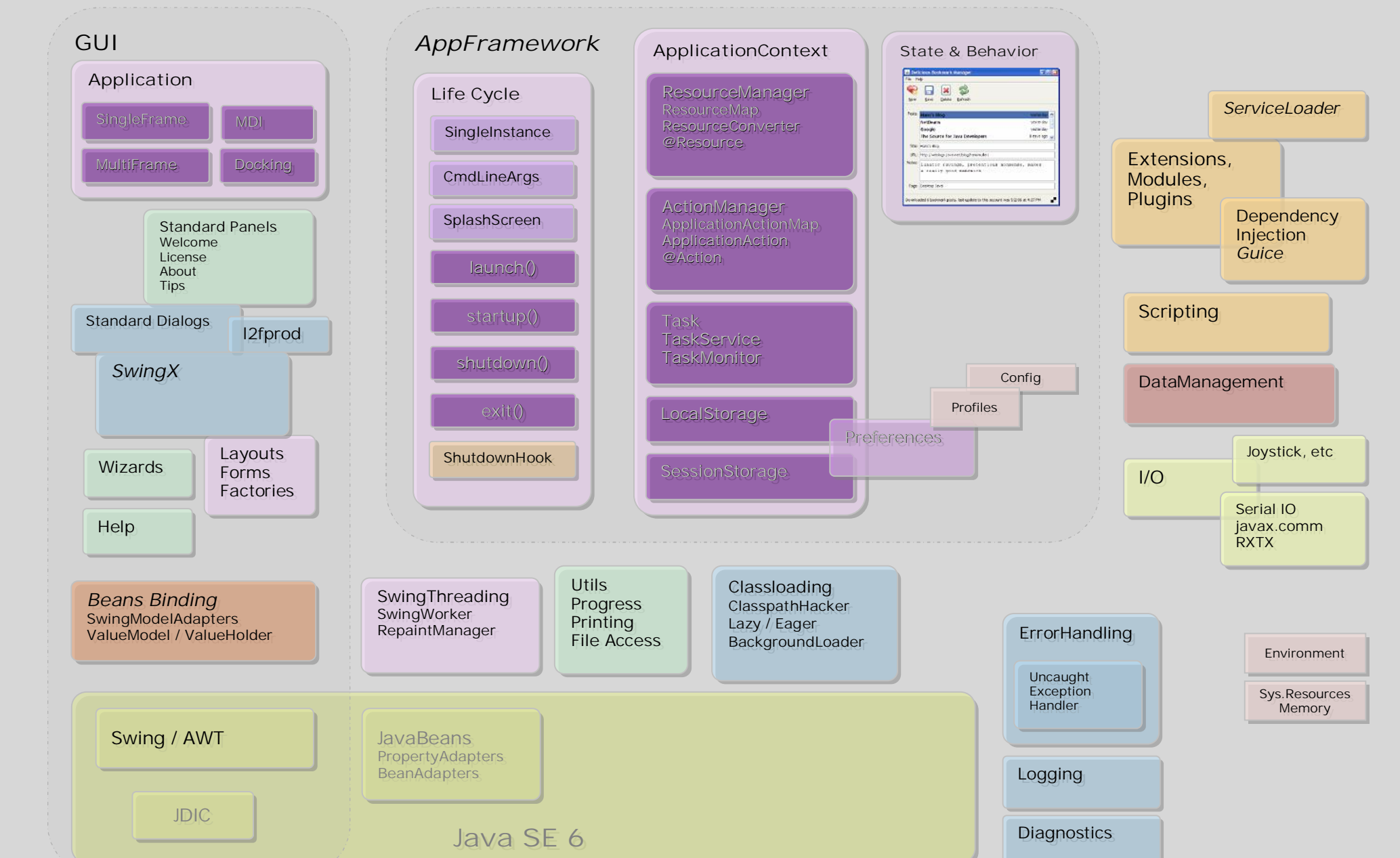
Development Tools



Architectural Vision

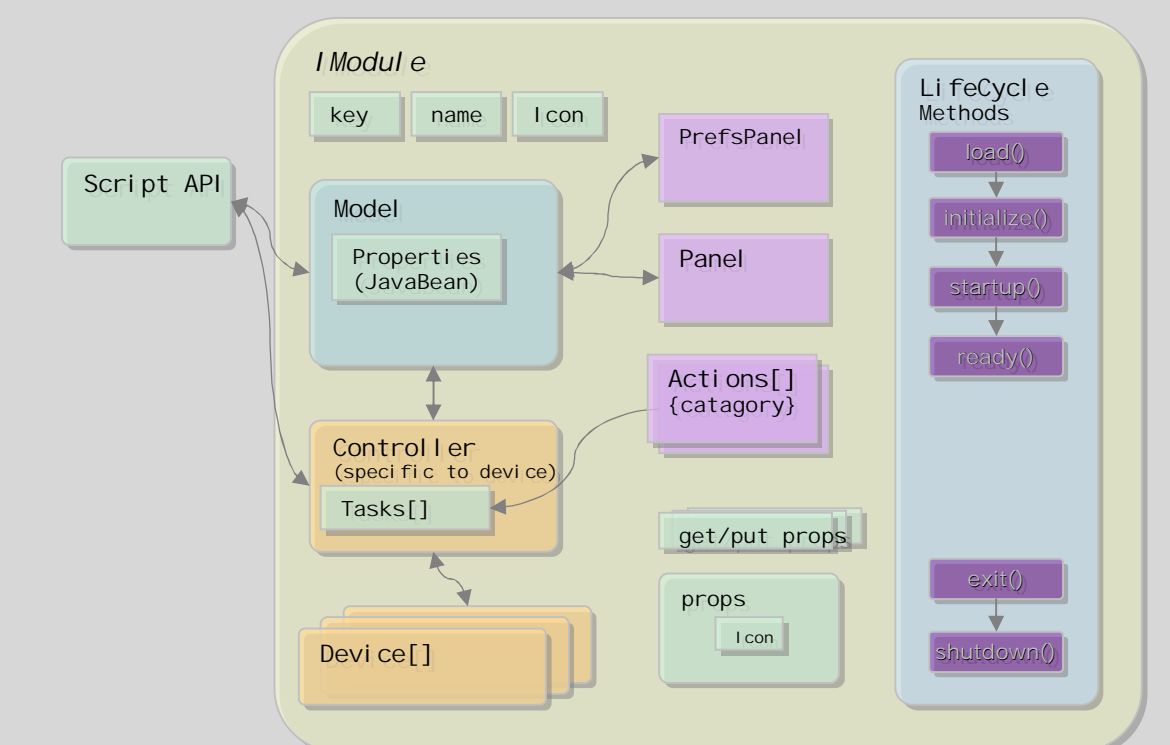


Application Framework (Evolving)



Extension Modules

Well-defined interface for modules/extensions/plugins
Self-configuring
Manages interdependencies
Control/Display panels
Actions / Tasks



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