

# Microscopia Crioelettronica

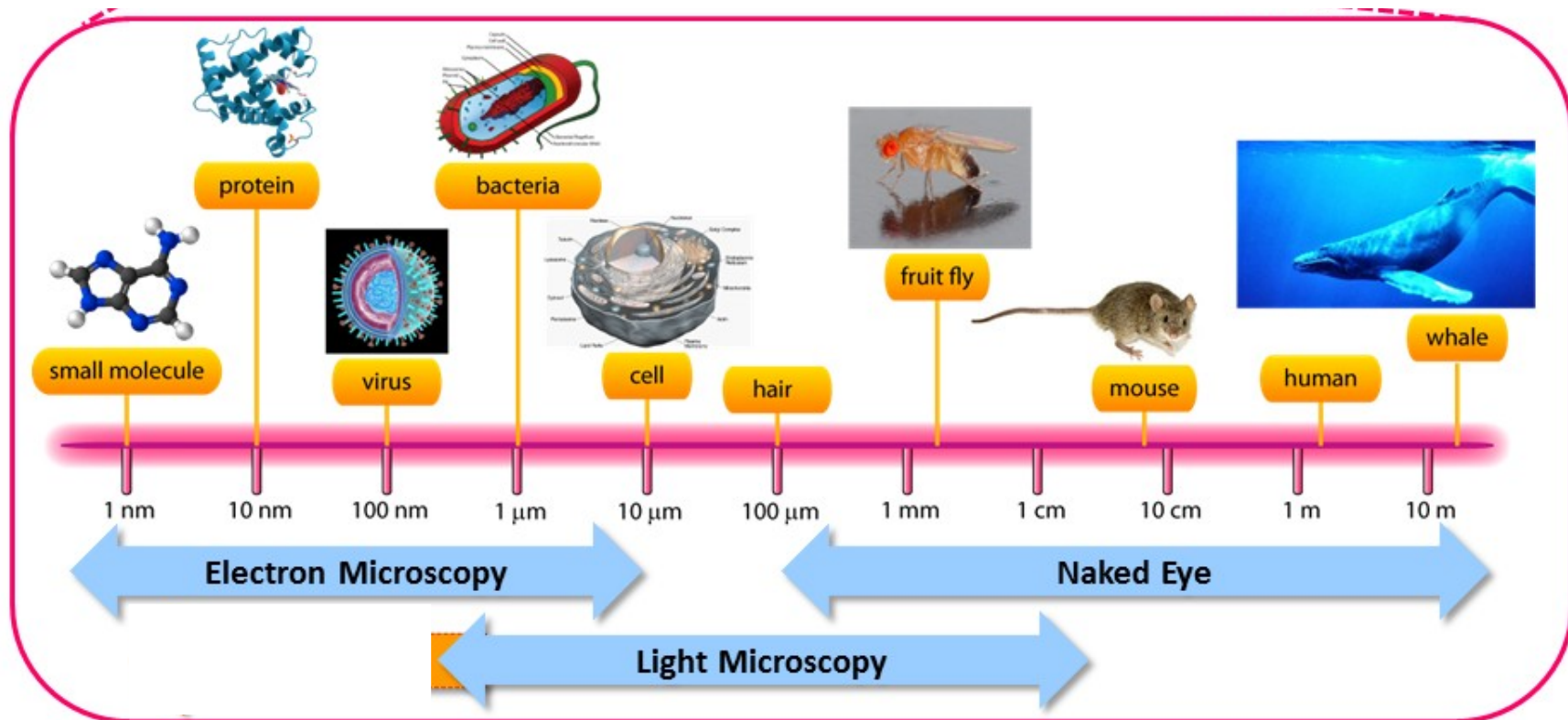
*La vita in un ghiacciolo*



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# Le misure contano



<https://www.bates.edu/gould-research-lab/research/>

Limite di diffrazione di Abbe

$$d = \frac{\lambda}{2n \sin \theta} = \frac{\lambda}{2NA}$$

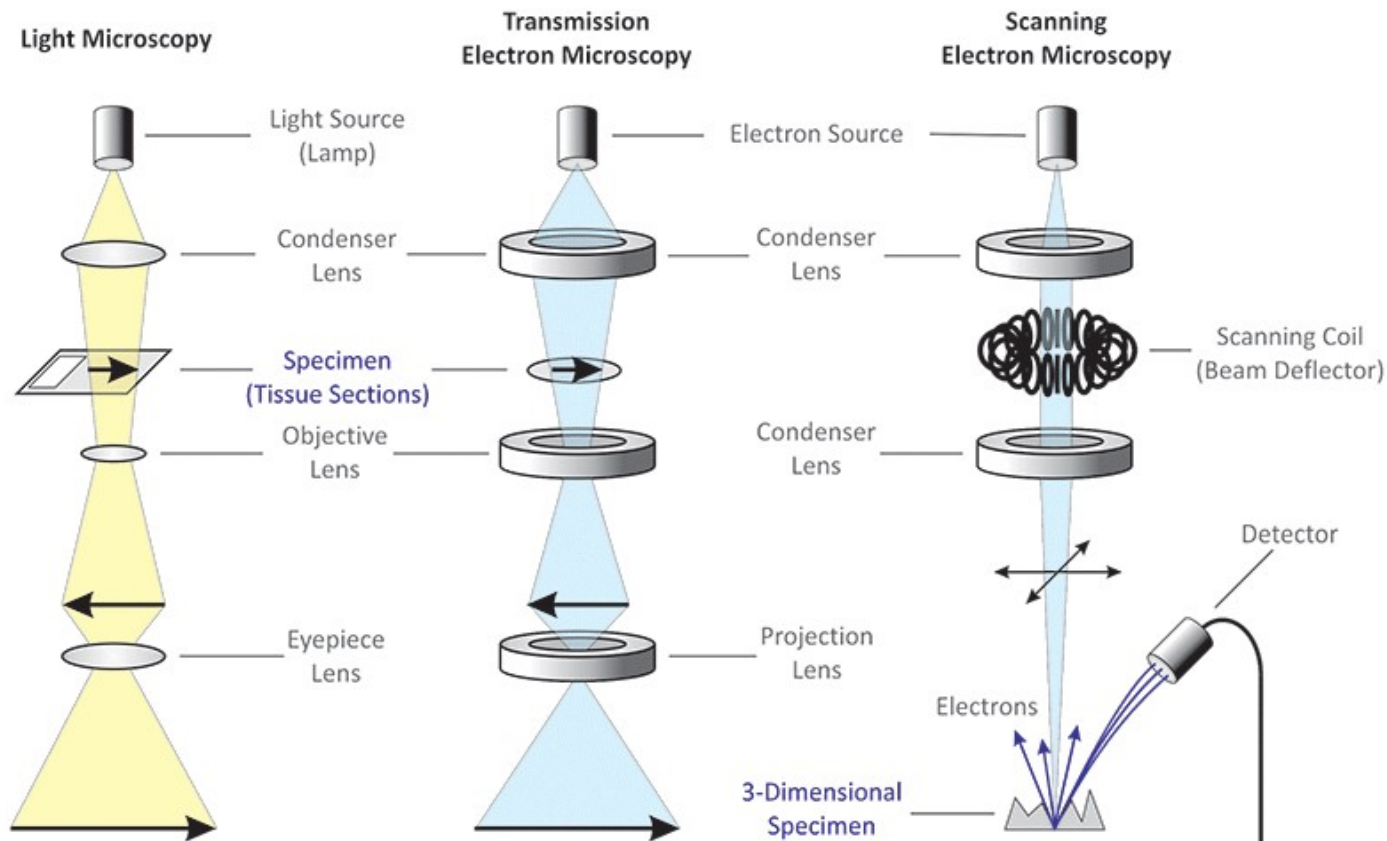
Limite di diffrazione del  
microscopio ottico:  
~ 250 nm

Limite di diffrazione del  
microscopio elettronico:  
~ 0.14 nm

$\lambda$ : Lunghezza d'onda  
 $n$ : indice di rifrazione  
 $\theta$ : angolo di convergenza  
NA: Apertura Numerica

<https://www.ou.edu/research/electron/bmz5364/resolutn.html>

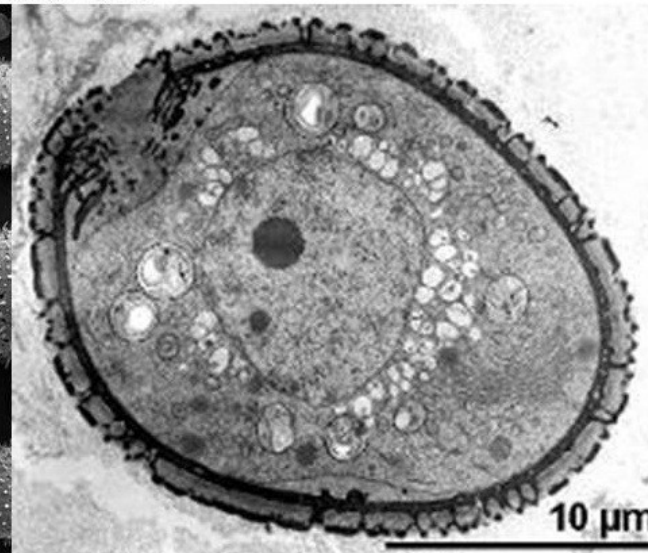
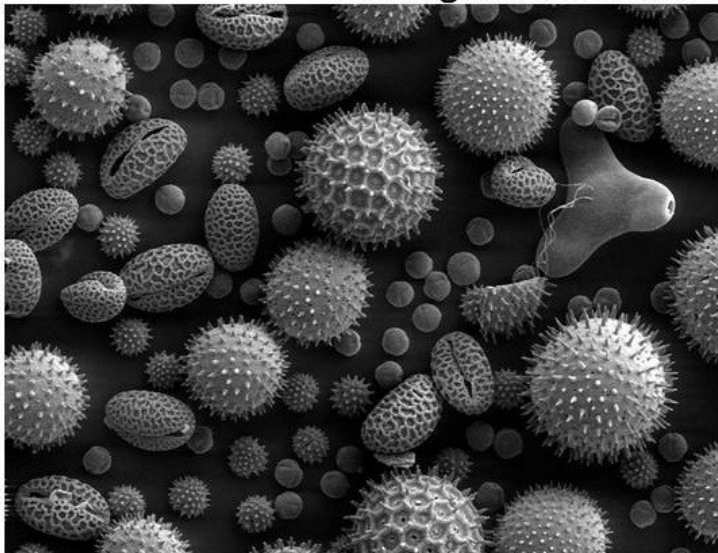
# Microscopia Elettronica



# Scansione vs Trasmissione



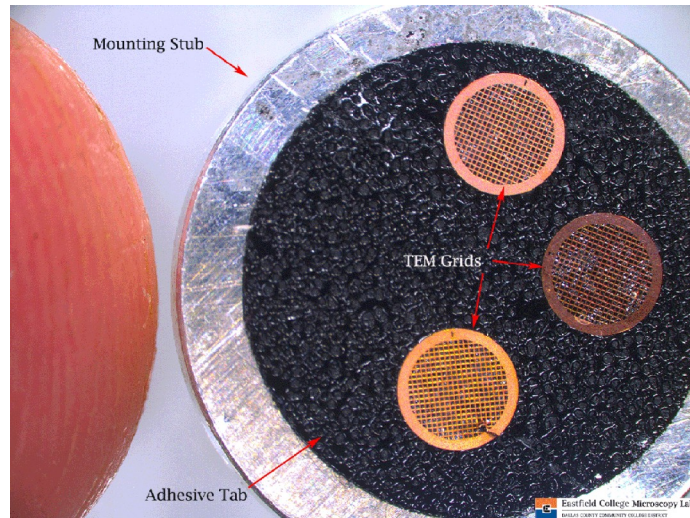
Pollen grain under SEM and TEM



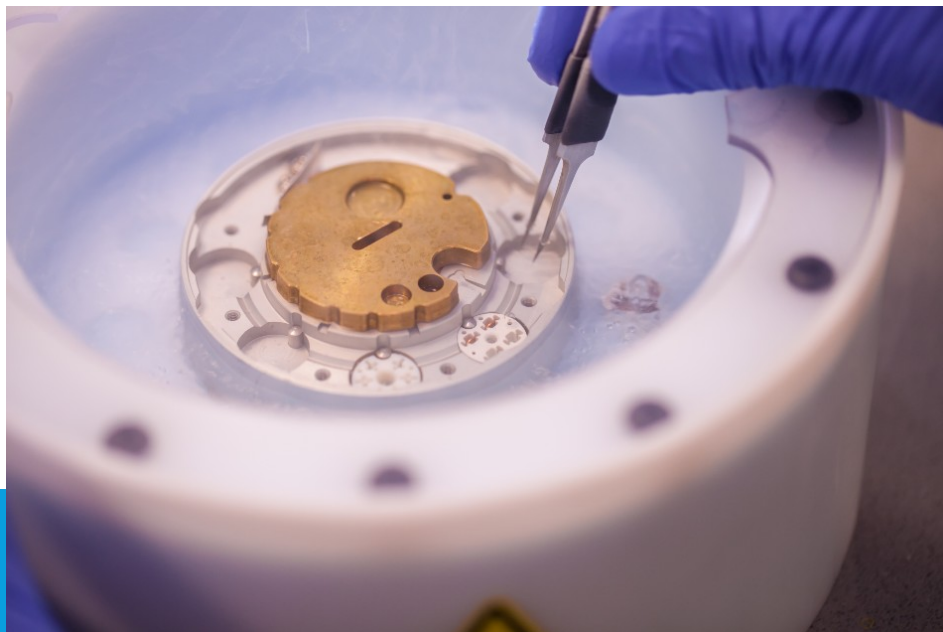
Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) vs Transmission Electron Microscope(TEM)



# Microscopia criogenica elettronica



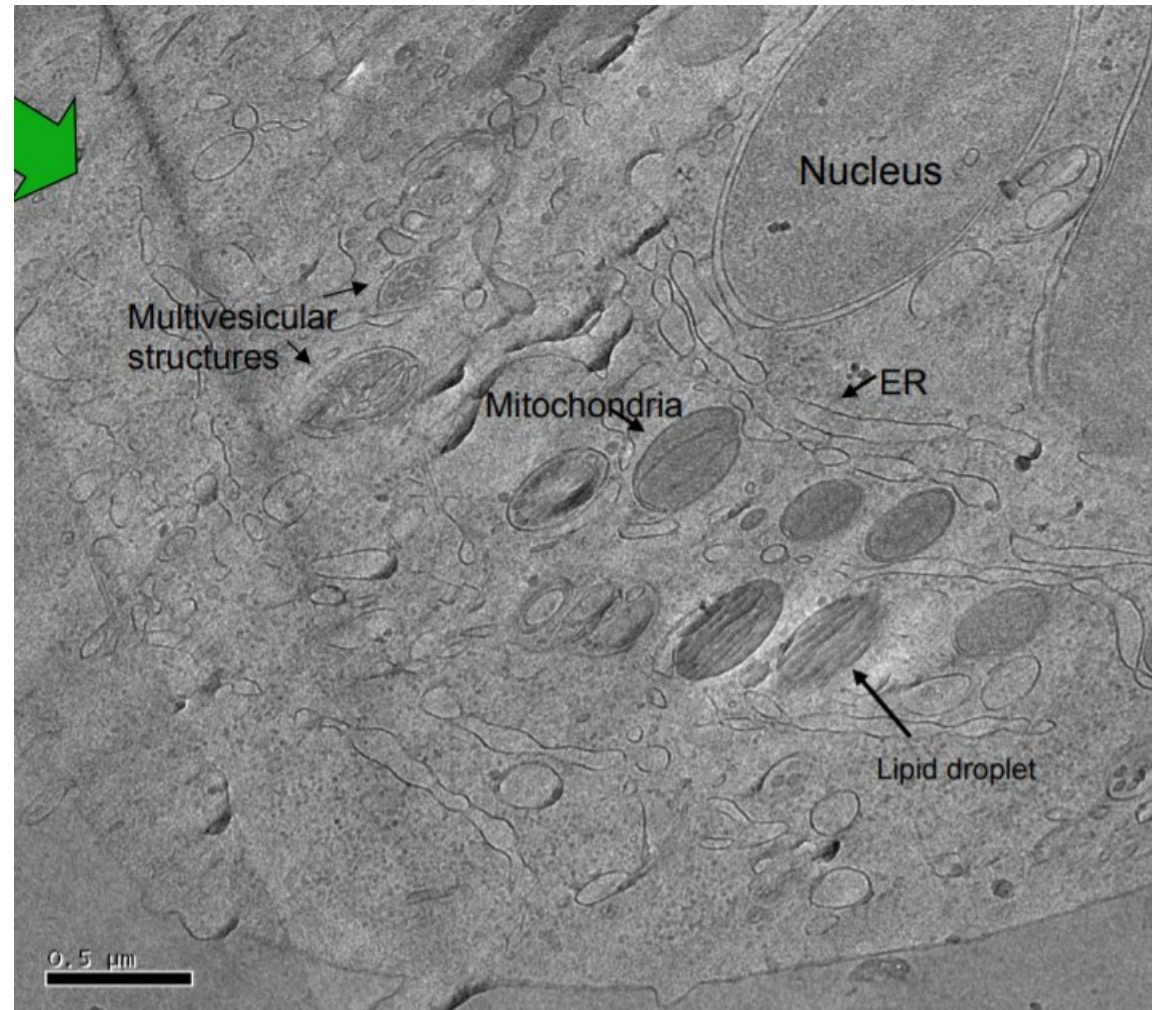
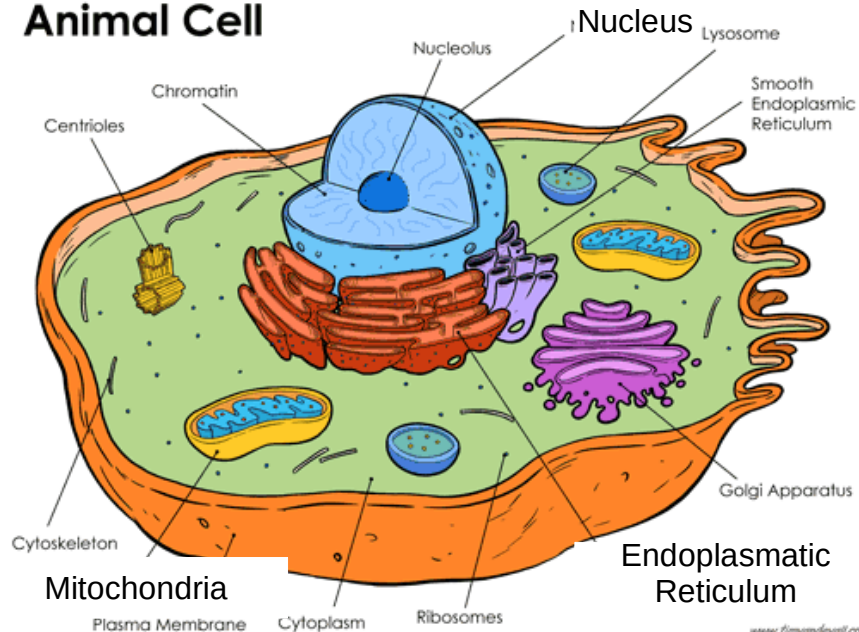
- È un TEM dotato di un serbatoio per l'azoto liquido
- L'azoto liquido raffredda il campione a temperature di da  $-190^{\circ}$  fino a  $-140^{\circ}$
- Il campione viene congelato attraverso shock criotermico
- Il campione viene trasferito su una griglia porta campioni e inserito nel microscopio



# Esempio di microscopia criogenica

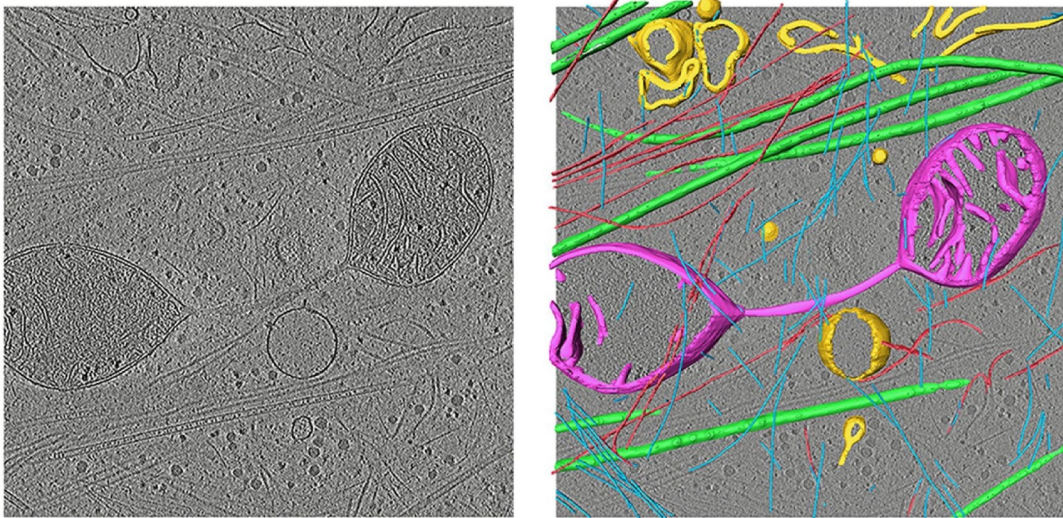
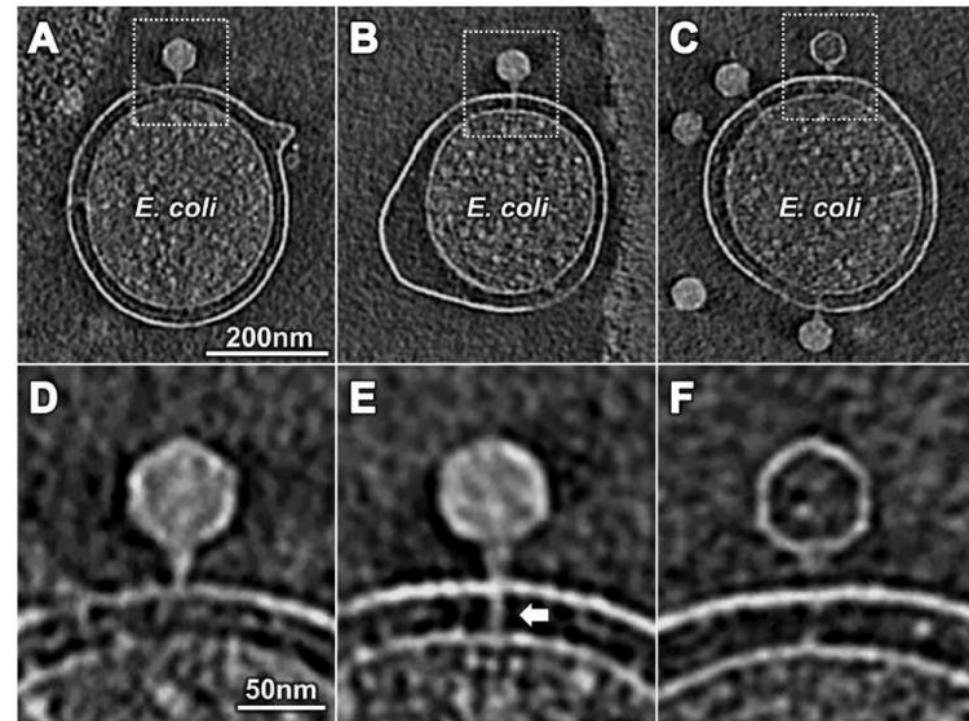
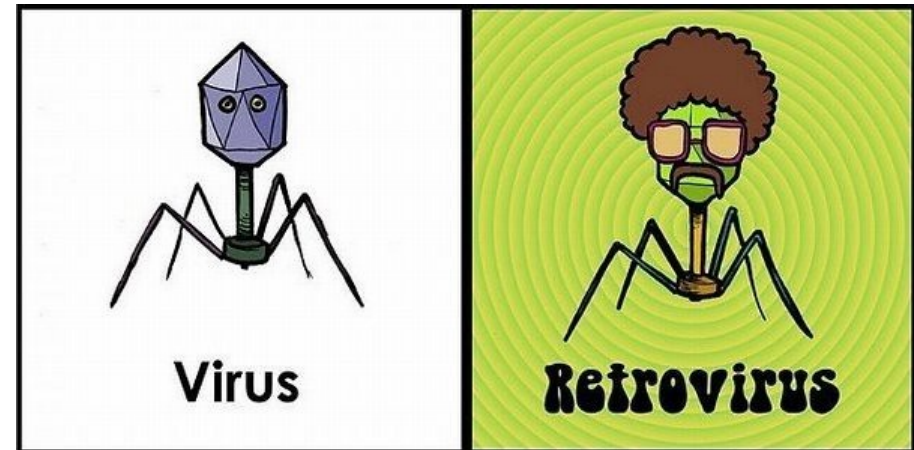
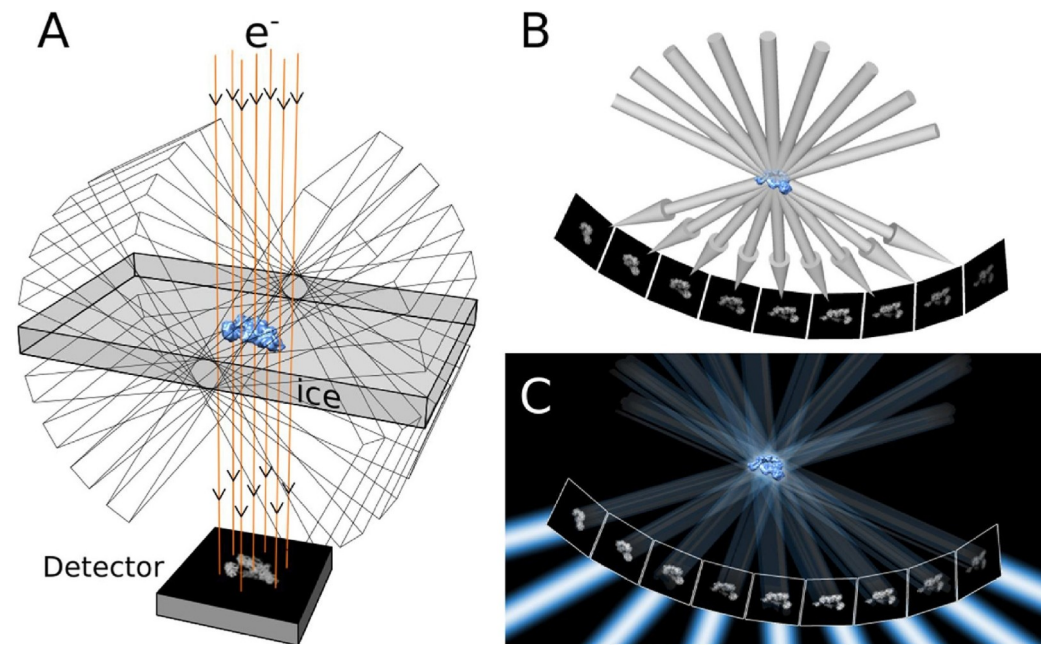
- Conserva i tessuti in uno stato idrato
- Non richiede coloranti contrastanti speciali
- Utile per analisi delle strutture molecolari

## Animal Cell





# Tomografia elettronica criogenica

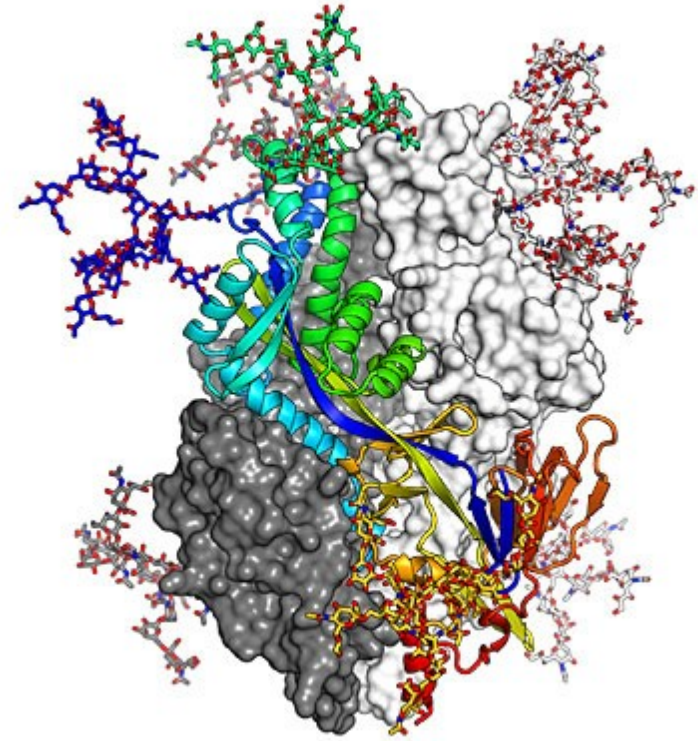
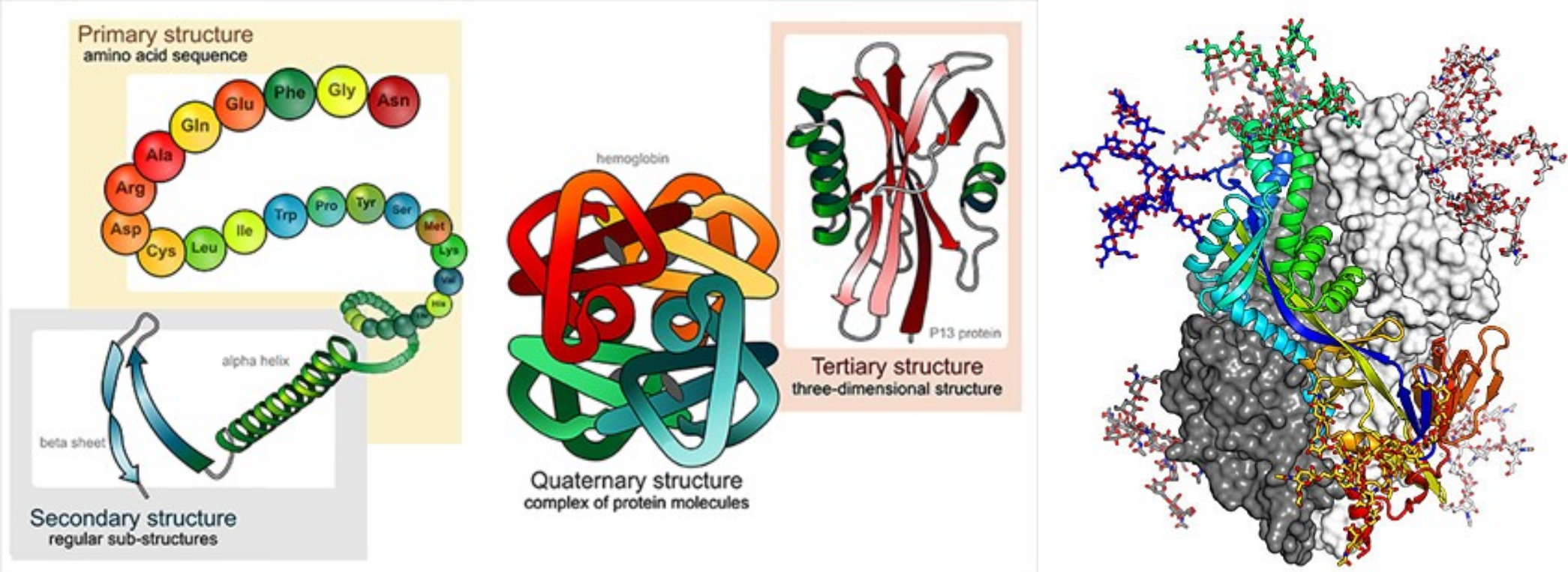


Actina (blu), membrane lipidiche (giallo), microtubuli (verde), mitocondri (viola) e filamenti intermediari (rosso).

Koning et al., Ann. Anat. (2018)  
Hu et al., Science (2013)

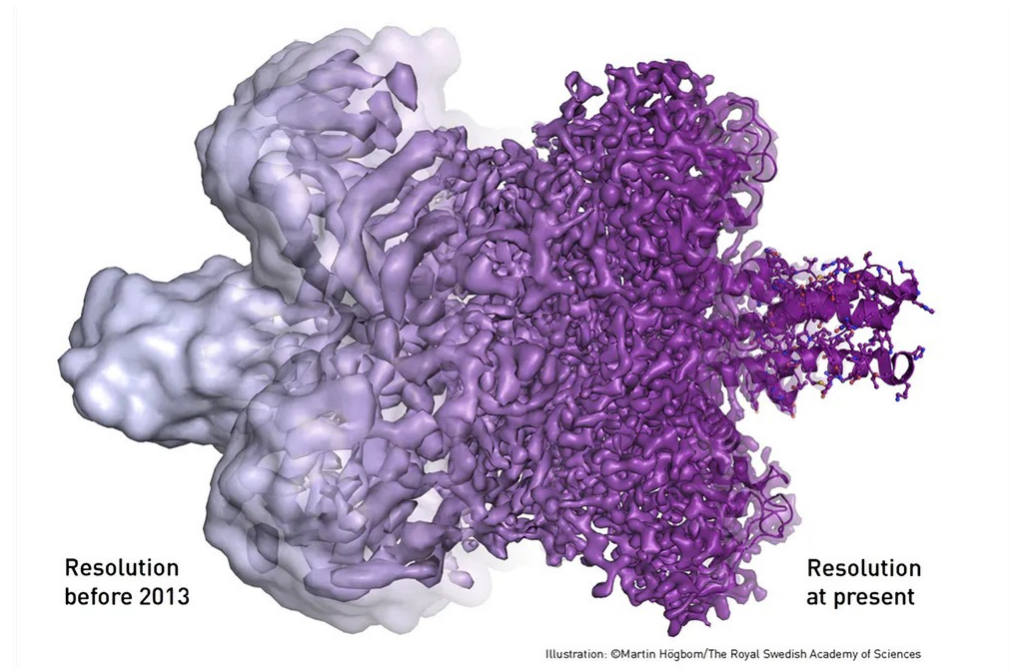
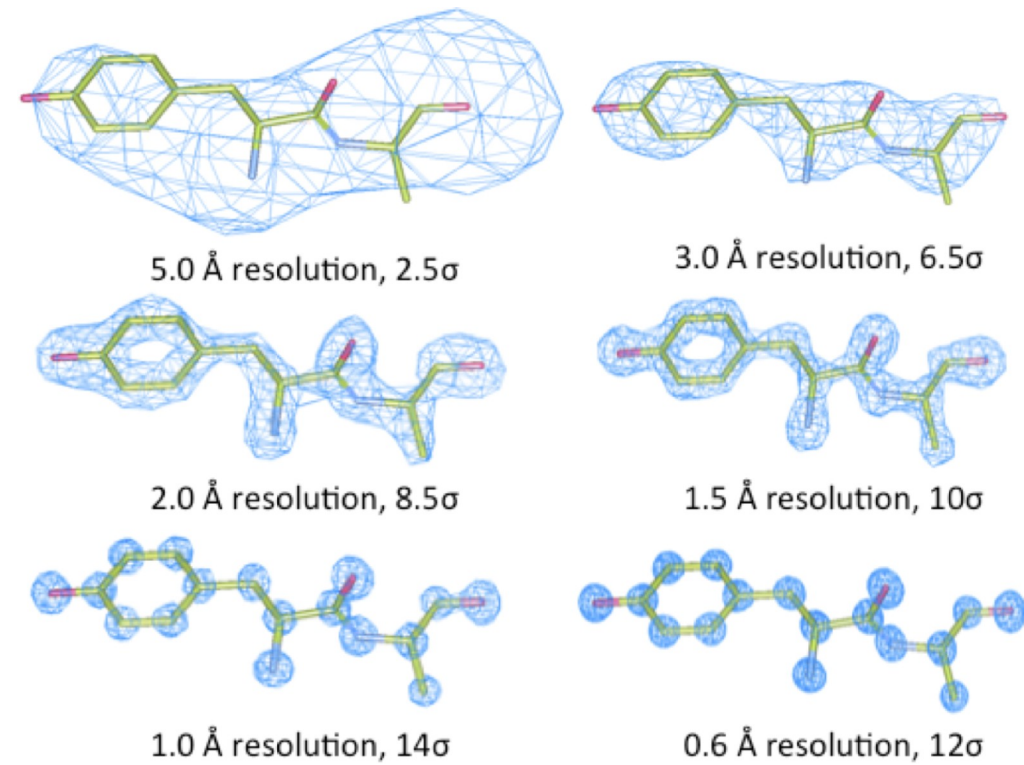


# Struttura proteine



- Determinare la struttura delle proteine è una delle grandi sfide della biologia
- Le proteine sono composte da una sequenza di amminoacidi
- Gli atomi si ordinano attraverso un processo chiamato ripiegamento nello spazio tridimensionale

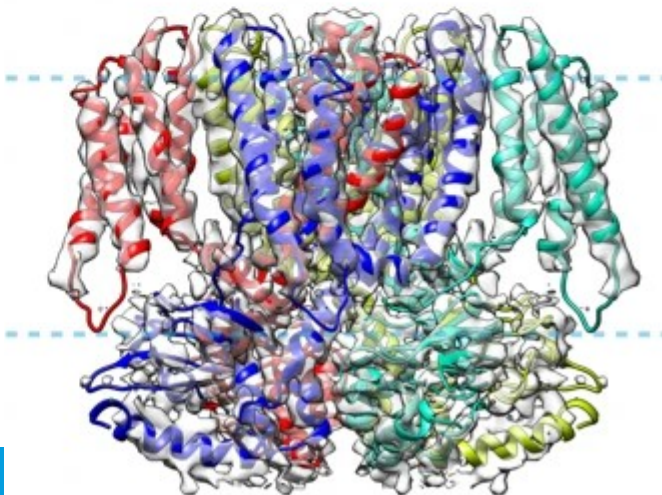
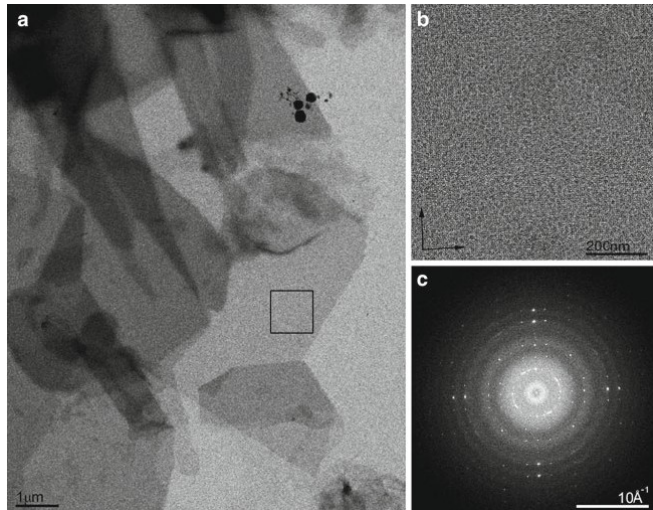
# Risoluzione





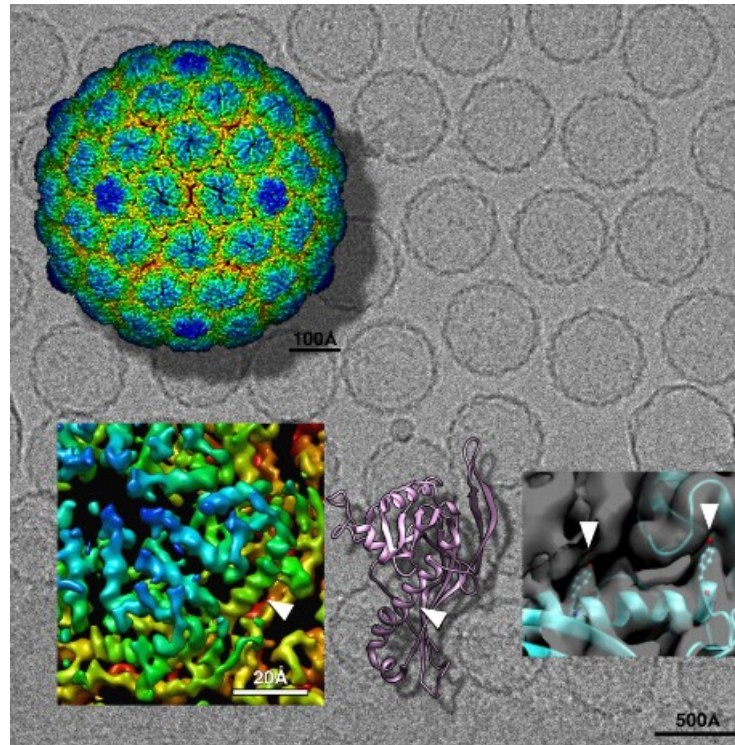
# Biologia strutturale con crioEM

## Cristallografia

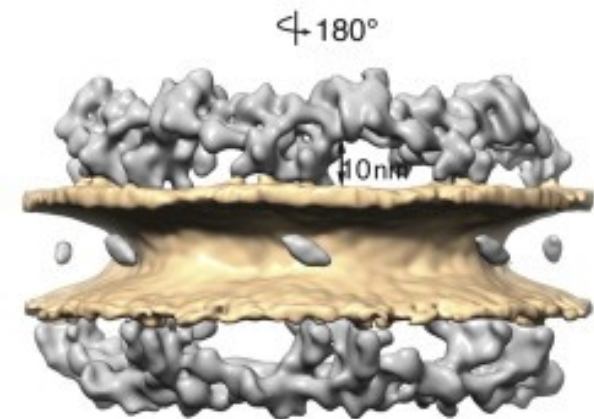
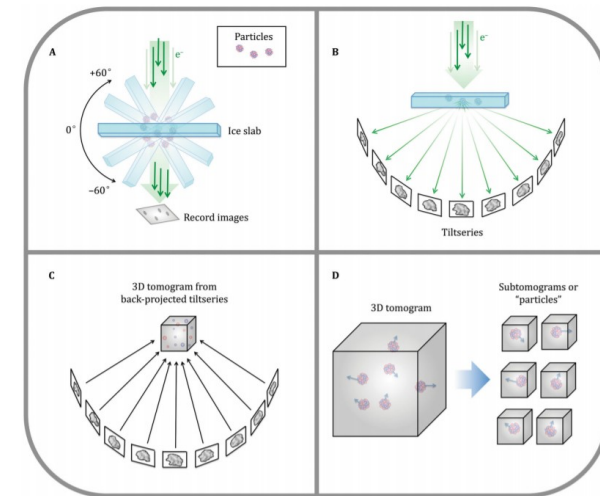


Struttura di un canale ionico batterico (MloK1)

## Analisi a particelle singole

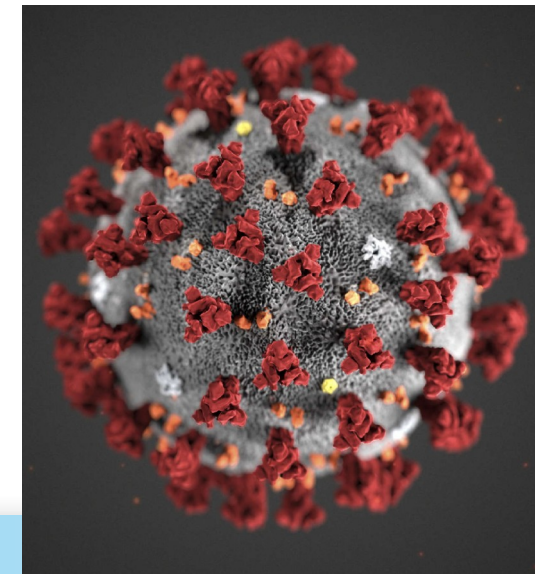
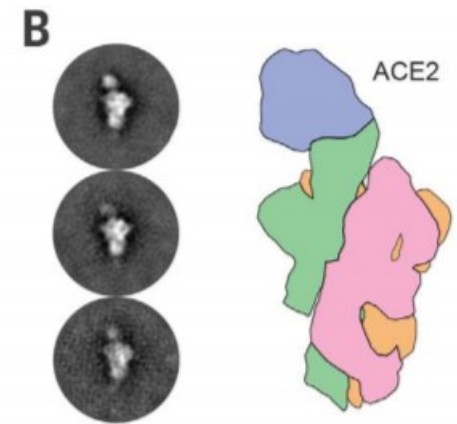
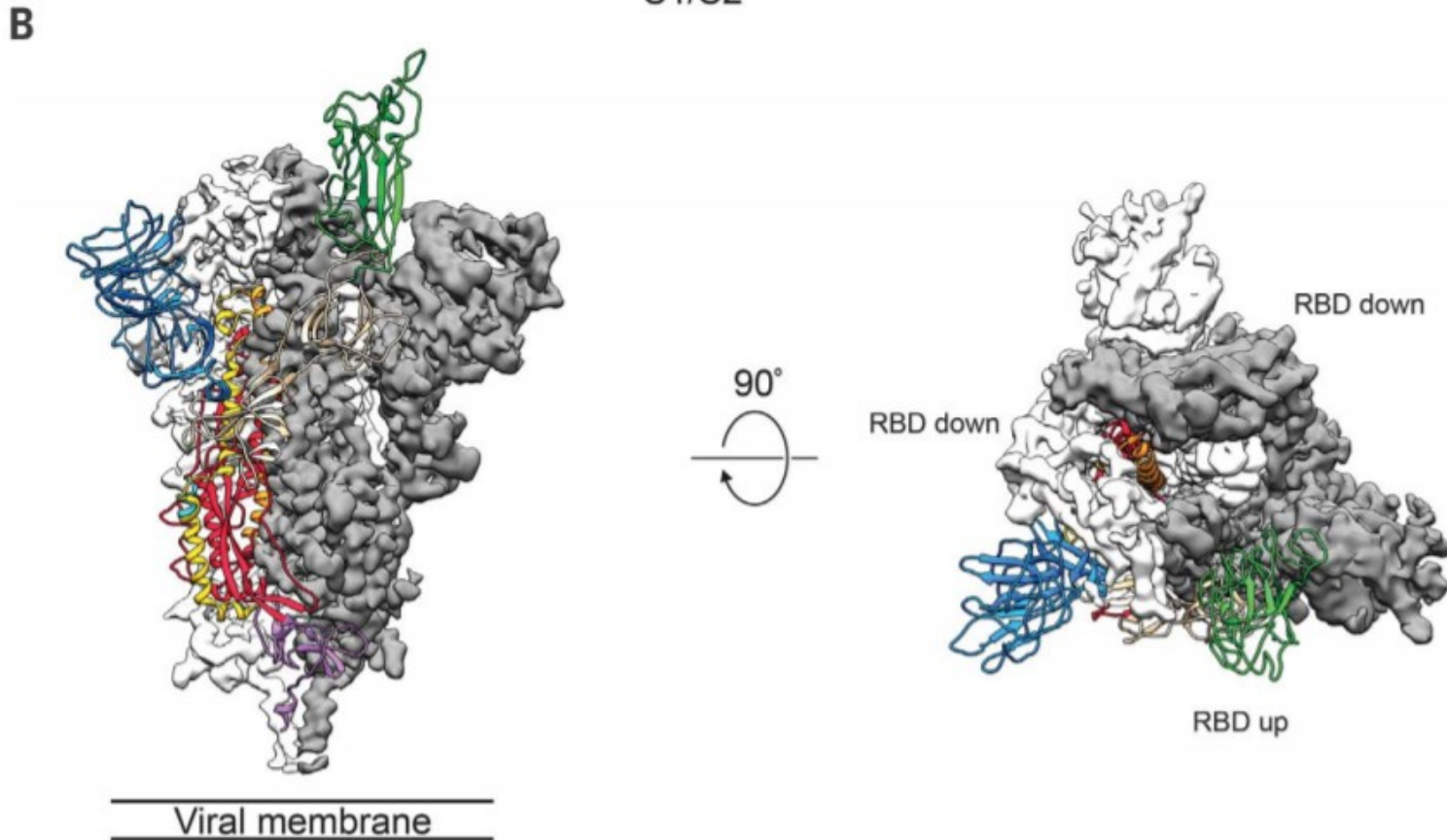
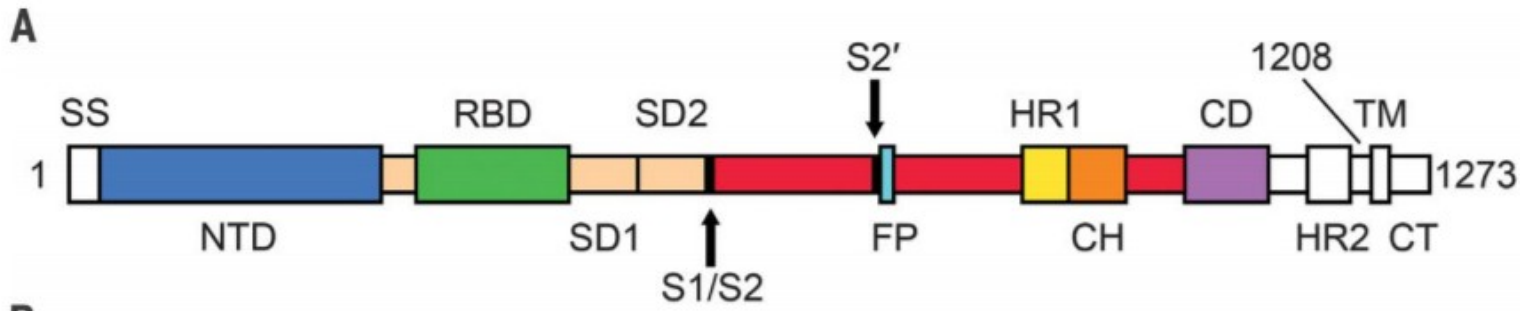


## media dei sub-tomogrammi





# Aculeo del SARS-nCoV-2



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