

# Data science in cell imaging

## Lecture 4: deep learning in microscopy



"The Great Wave off Kanagawa", by Hokusai, ~1830 (Source: Wikipedia)

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# Our perspective on data science in cell imaging is out – read it!

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PERSPECTIVE

SUBJECT COLLECTION: IMAGING

## Data science in cell imaging

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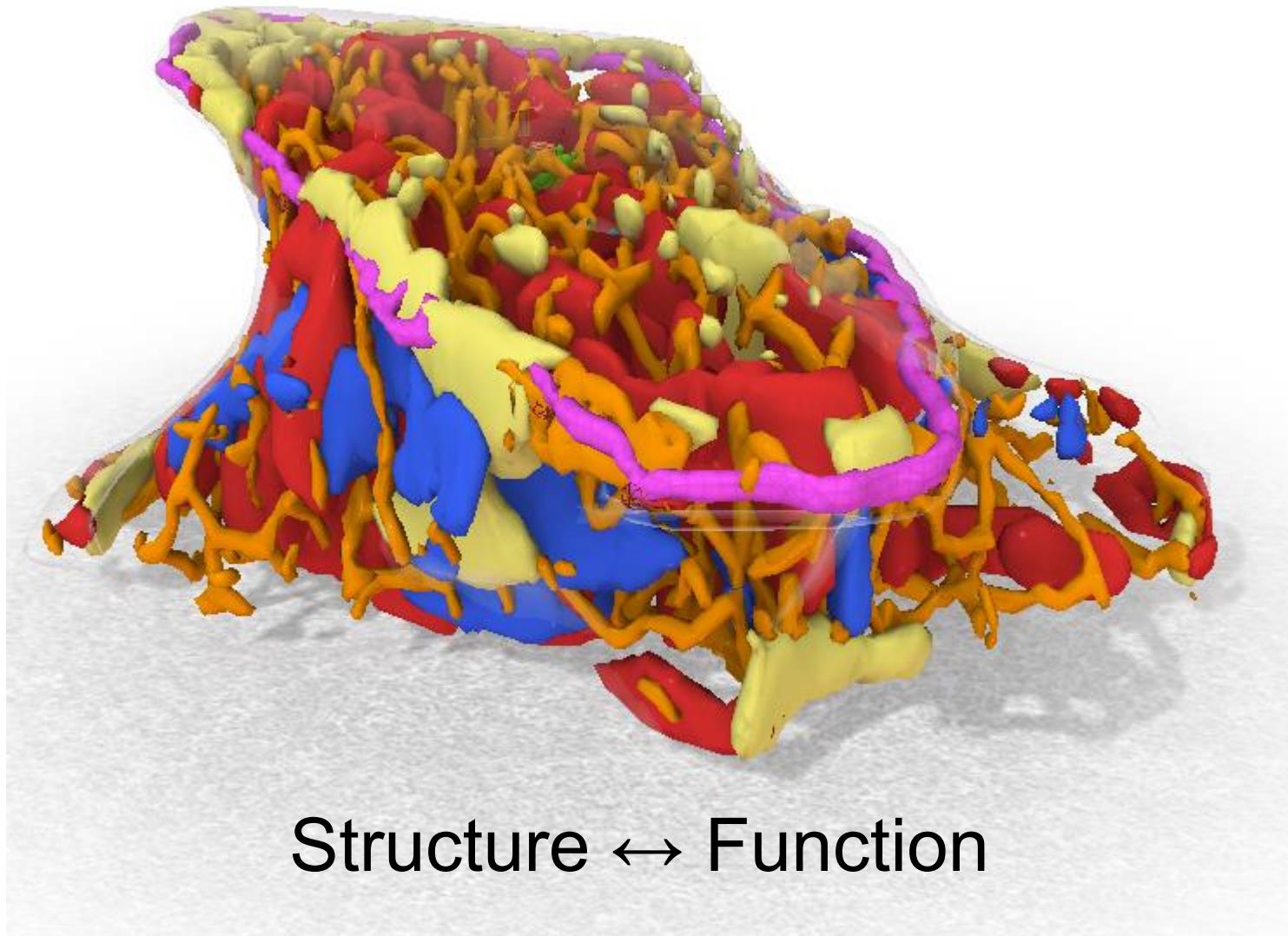
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Access via Moodle (or email me)

Driscoll & Zaritsky (2021)

# Look at a cell and know what it is doing

What it did



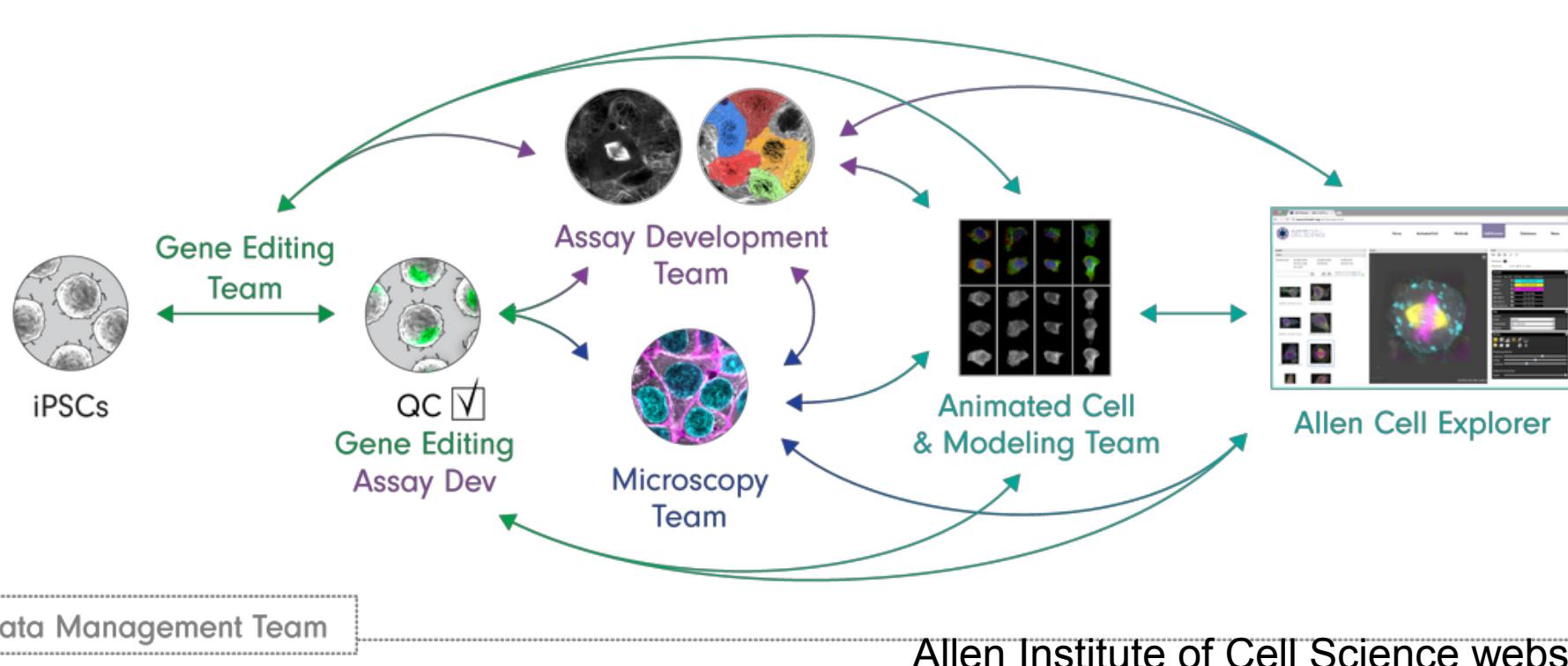
What it will do

Structure ↔ Function

# Allen institute of cell science

## Our Mission

The mission of the Allen Institute for Cell Science is to create dynamic and multi-scale visual models of cell organization, dynamics and activities that capture experimental observation, theory and prediction to understand and predict cellular behavior in its normal, regenerative, and pathological contexts.



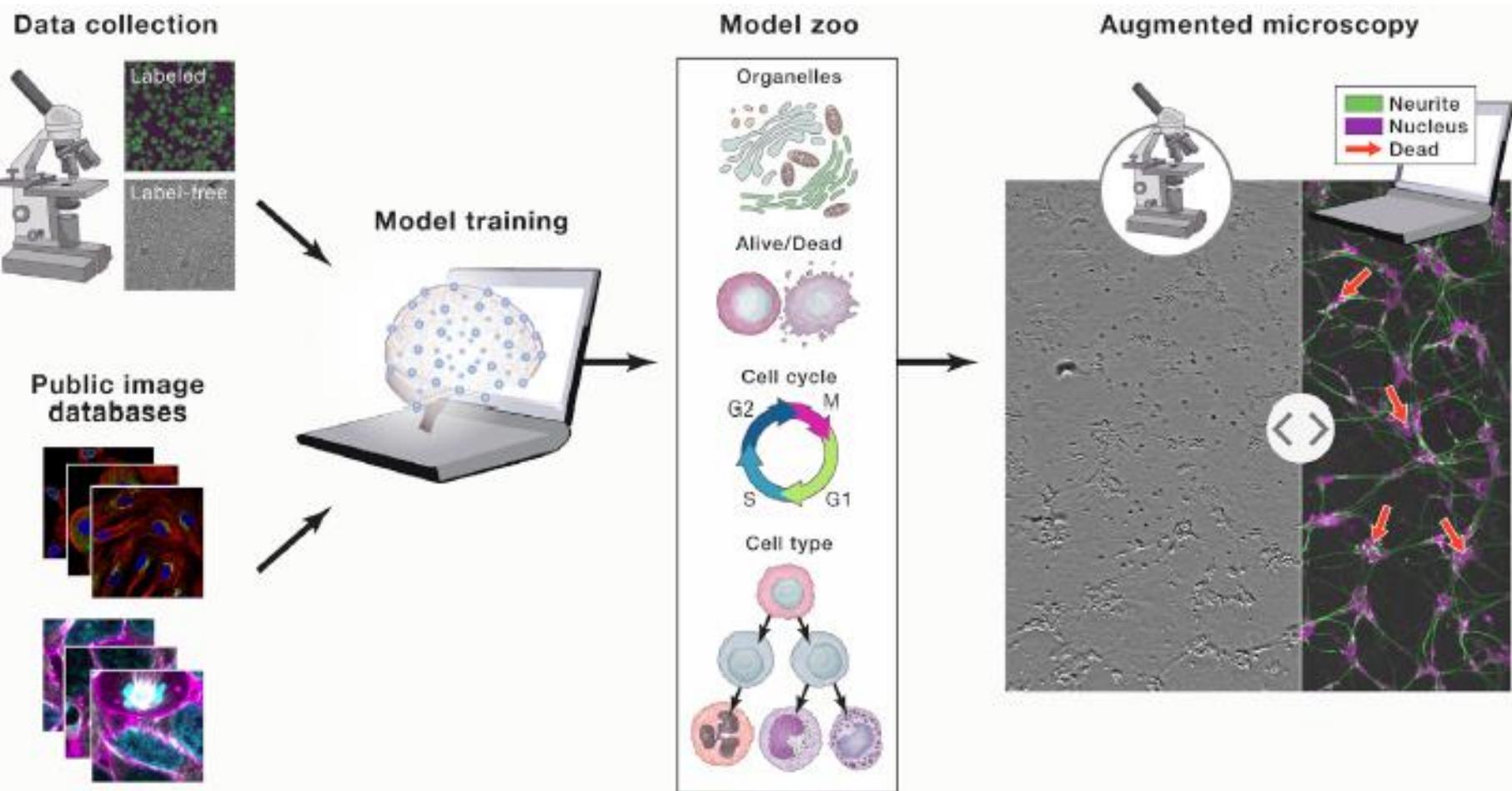
# Allen institute of cell science

- Overview <https://www.allencell.org/what-we-do.html>
- Visualization <https://www.allencell.org/visual-guide-to-human-cells.html>
- 3D cell viewer <https://www.allencell.org/3d-cell-viewer.html>
- Cell feature explorer <https://bit.ly/355Lq1j>
- Publicly available cell lines, tools, data, code!
- Research projects <https://www.allencell.org/cell-research-projects.html>

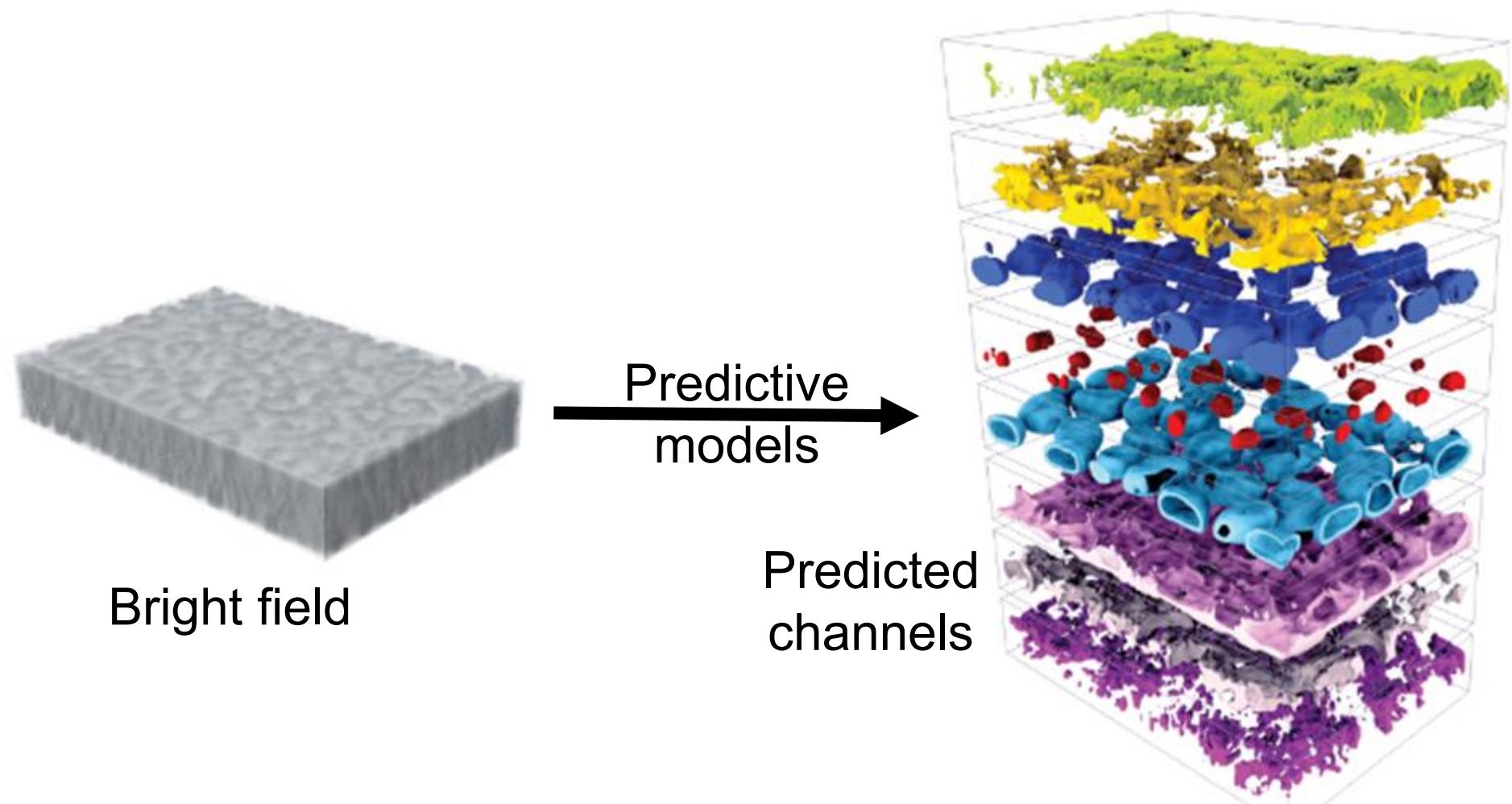
# The holy grail!

Can we train a generative model for  
accurate fluorescent imaging from  
label-free (transmitted light) imaging?

# A future of augmented microscopy



# Label-free images contain information on the molecular organization of the cell!

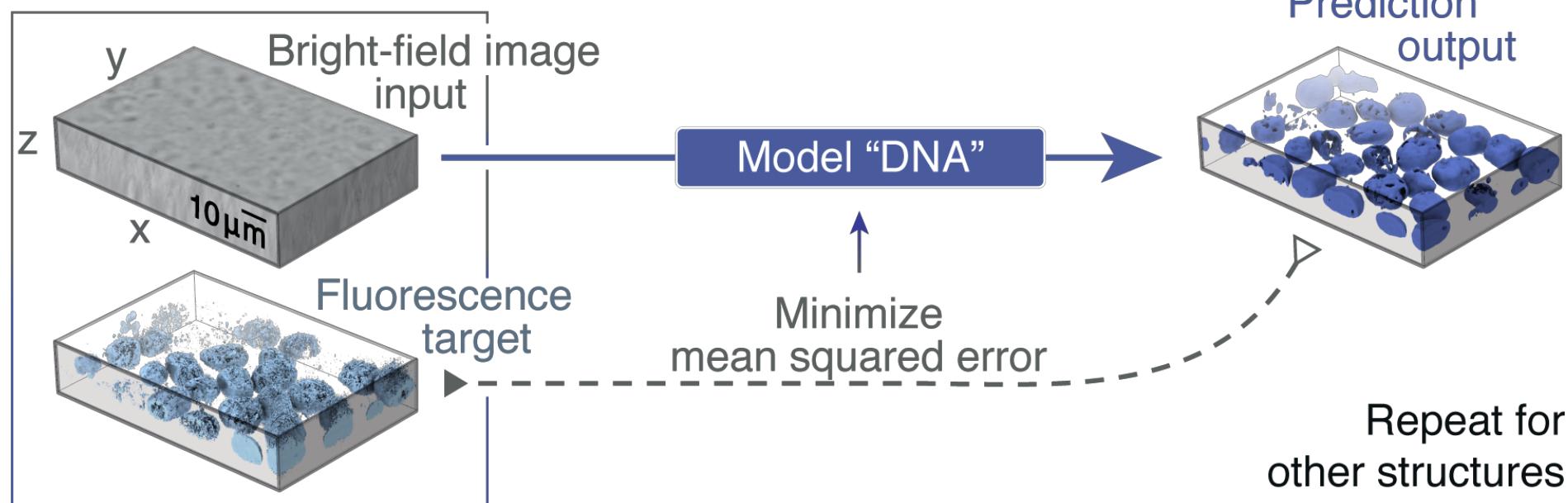


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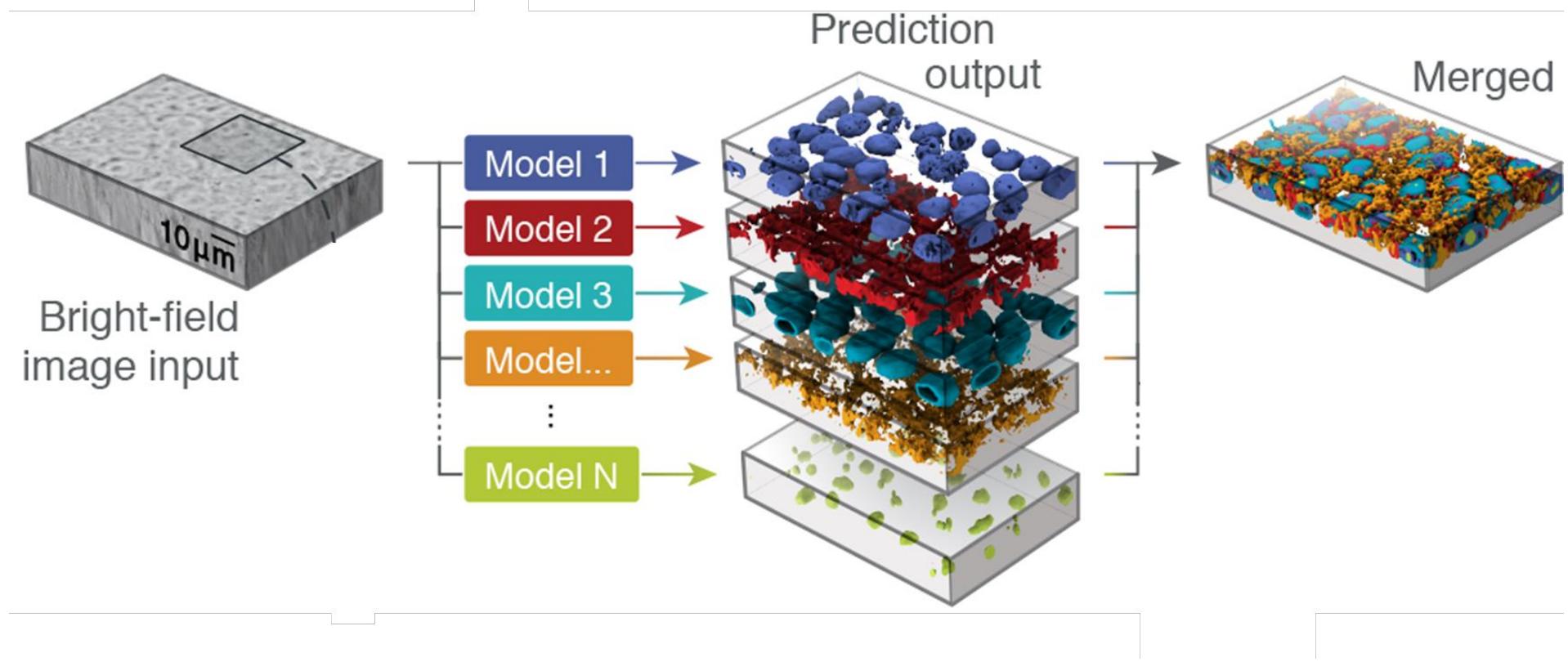
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# Unstructured-to-structured information with supervised models

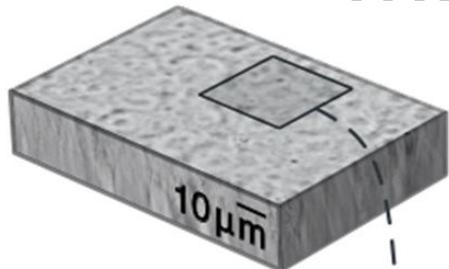
Single model schematic overview



# Combining multiple models



# Mitosis time-lapse output



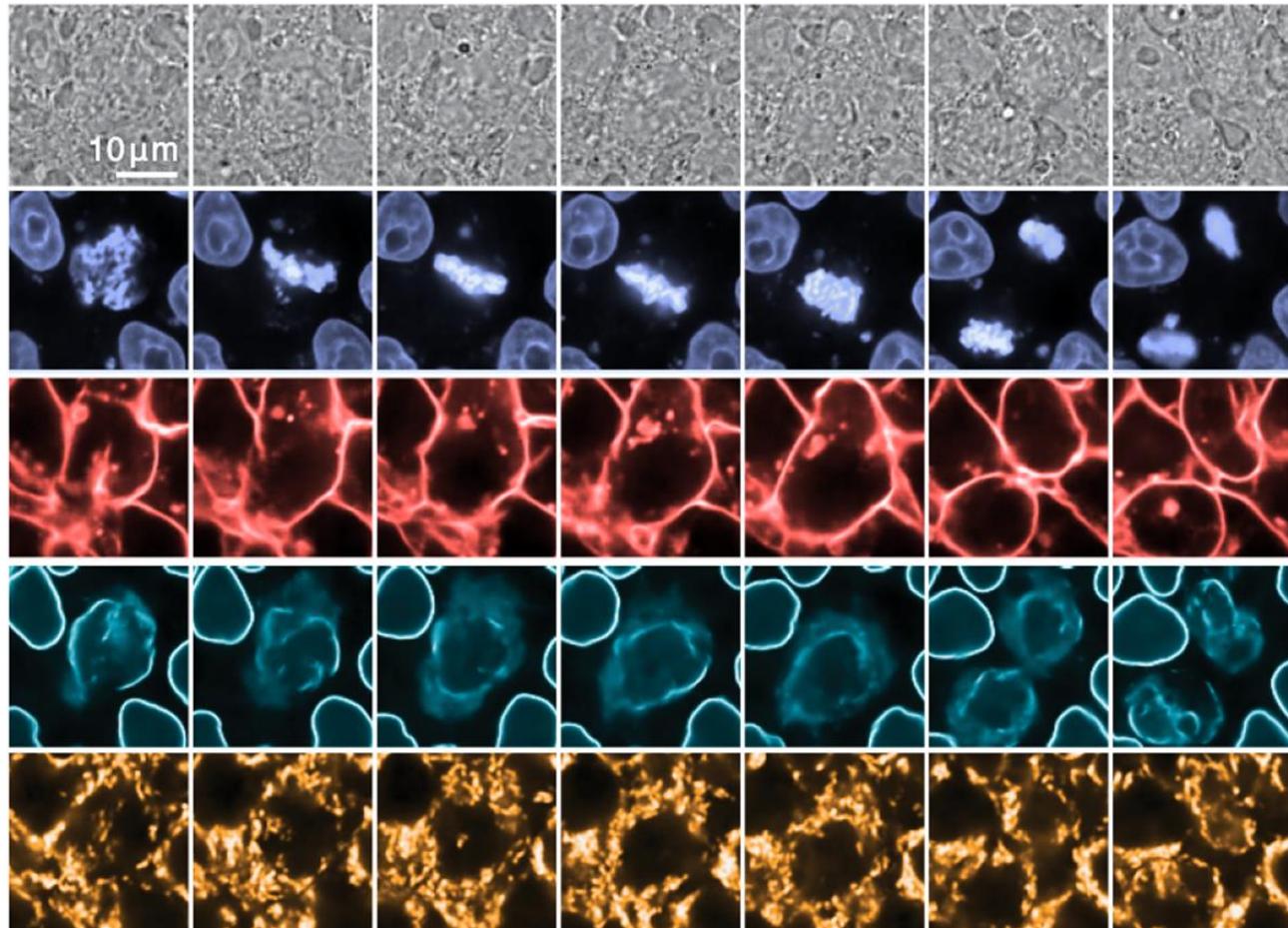
Bright-field

Model 1

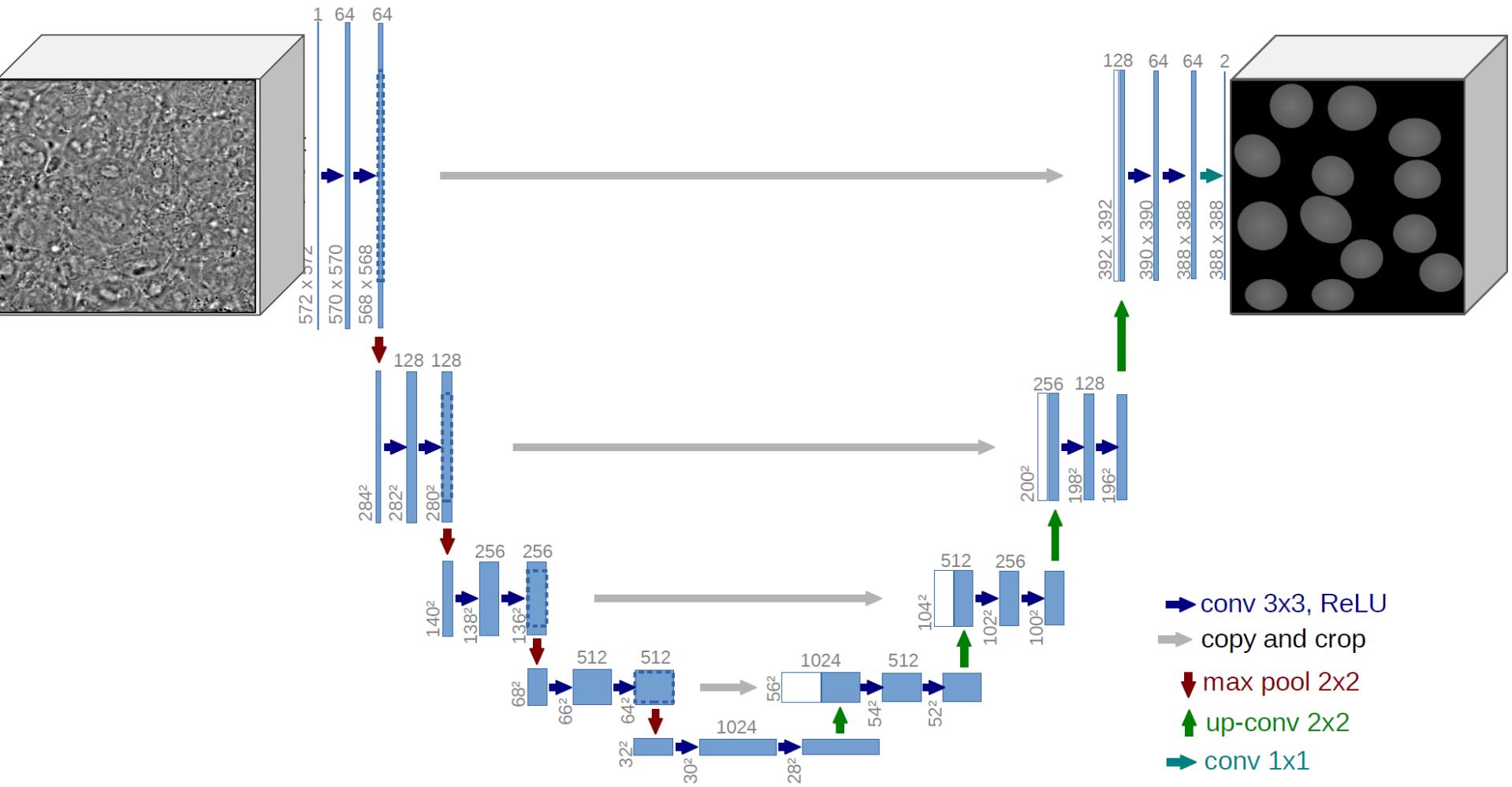
Model 2

Model 3

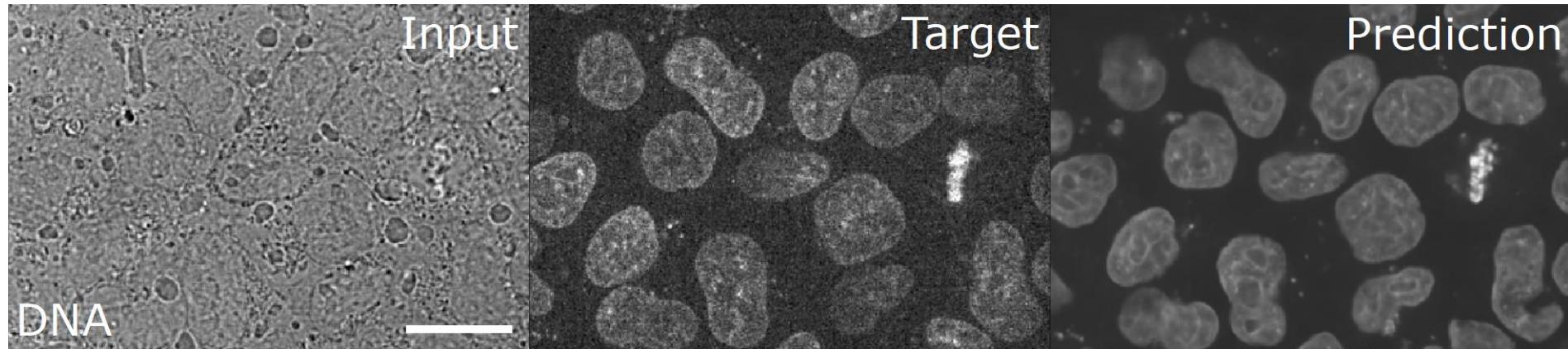
Model...



# U-Net architecture



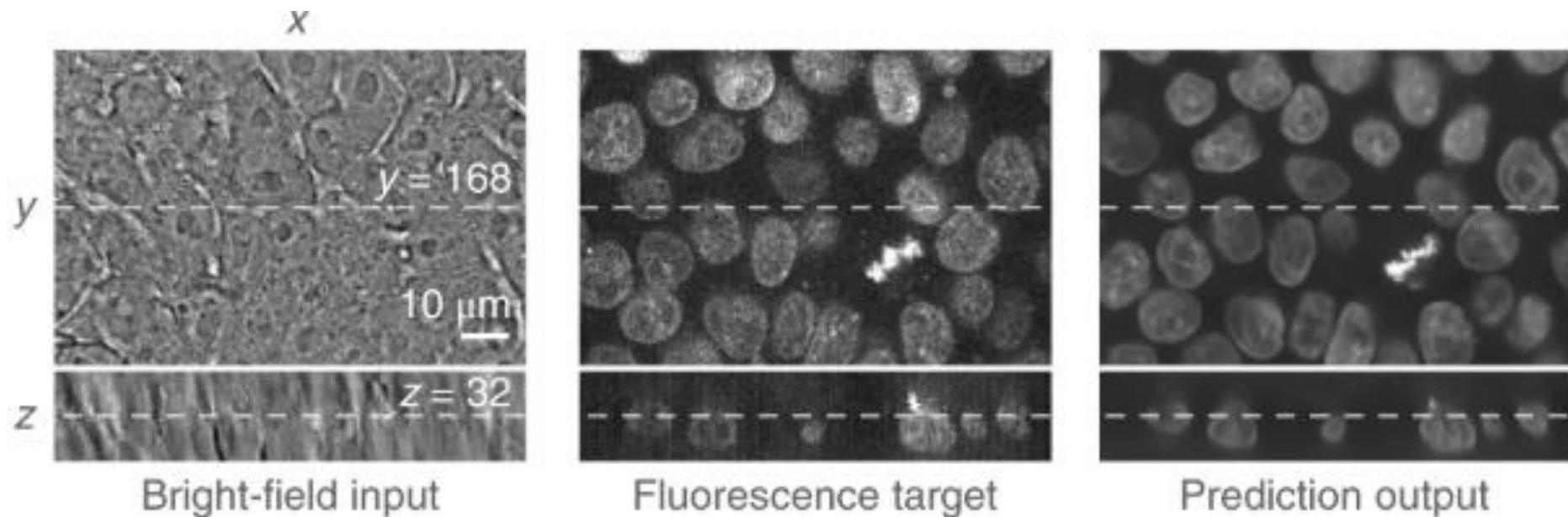
# Predicting DNA localization from transmitted light



Good pixel-wise correlation between (3D) "true" and predictions. Less noise in predictions.

(assessing and improving similarity/distance measures could be a course project)

# Predictions are 3D



# What about other structures?

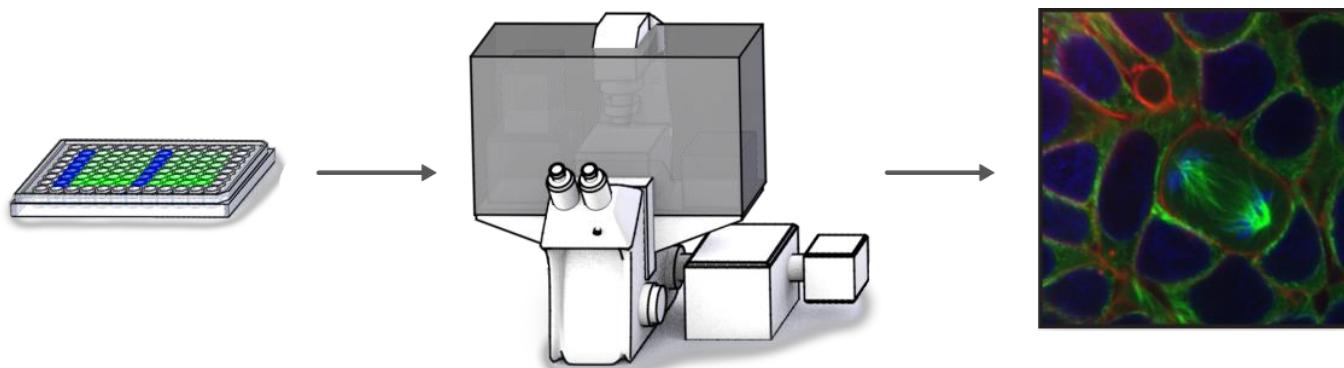
Cell Catalog - Allen Cell E x

www.allencell.org/cell-catalog.html

Filter by Cell Lines Filter by Structure Filter by Fluorophore Home Research

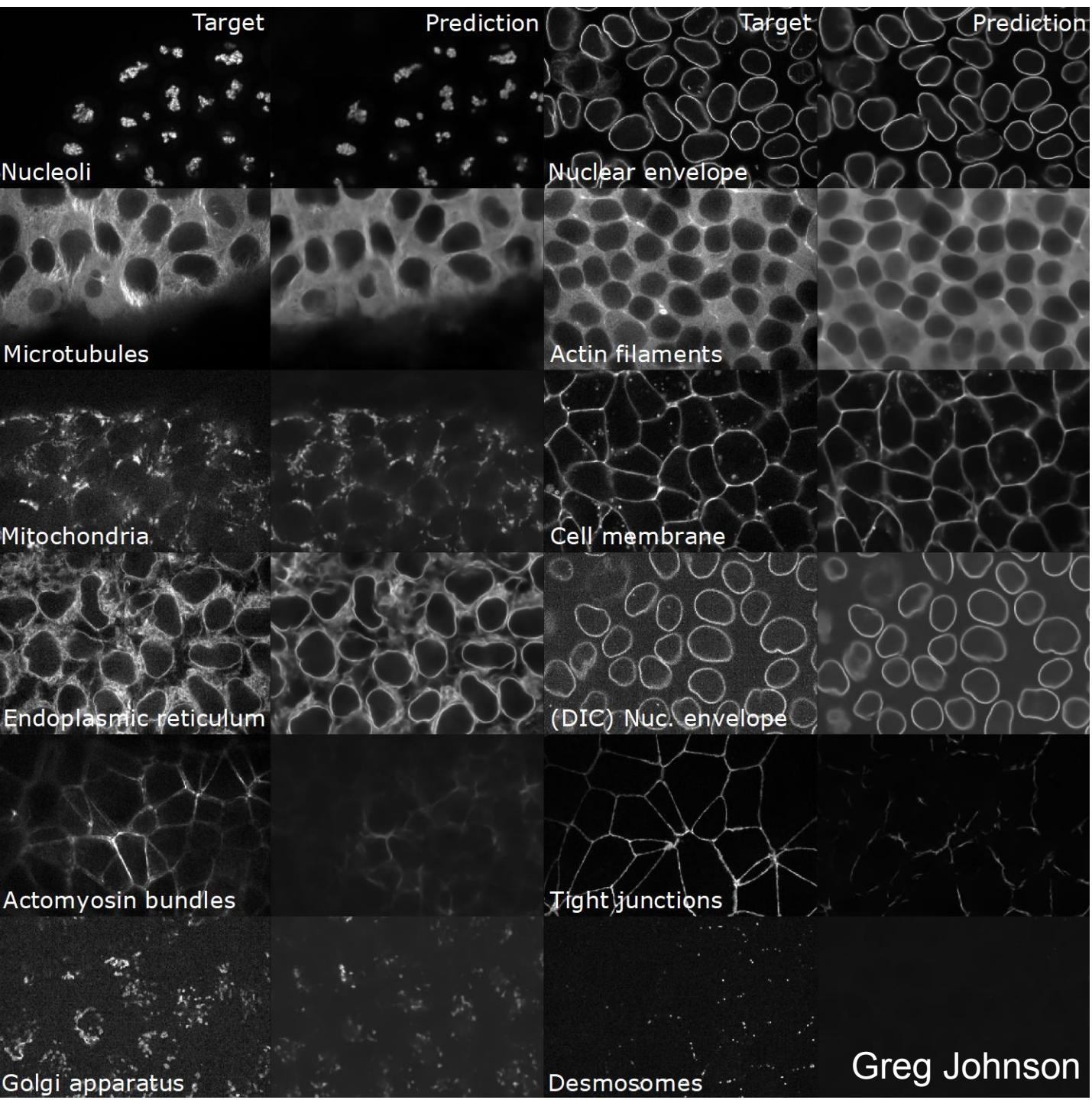
### Cell lines available in the Allen Cell Collection

Cell Line ID Protein	Gene Name (gene symbol)	Tagged alleles
5 Paxillin	Paxillin (PAXN)	mono
10 Sec61 beta	Sec61 translocon beta subunit (SEC61B)	mono
11 TOM20	Translocase of outer mitochondrial membrane 20 (TOMM20)	mono
12 Alpha tubulin	Tubulin-alpha 1b (TUBA1B)	mono
13 Nuclear lamin B1	Lamin B1 (LMNB1)	mono
14 Fibrillarin	Fibrillarin (FBL)	mono
16 Beta actin	Actin beta (ACTB)	mono



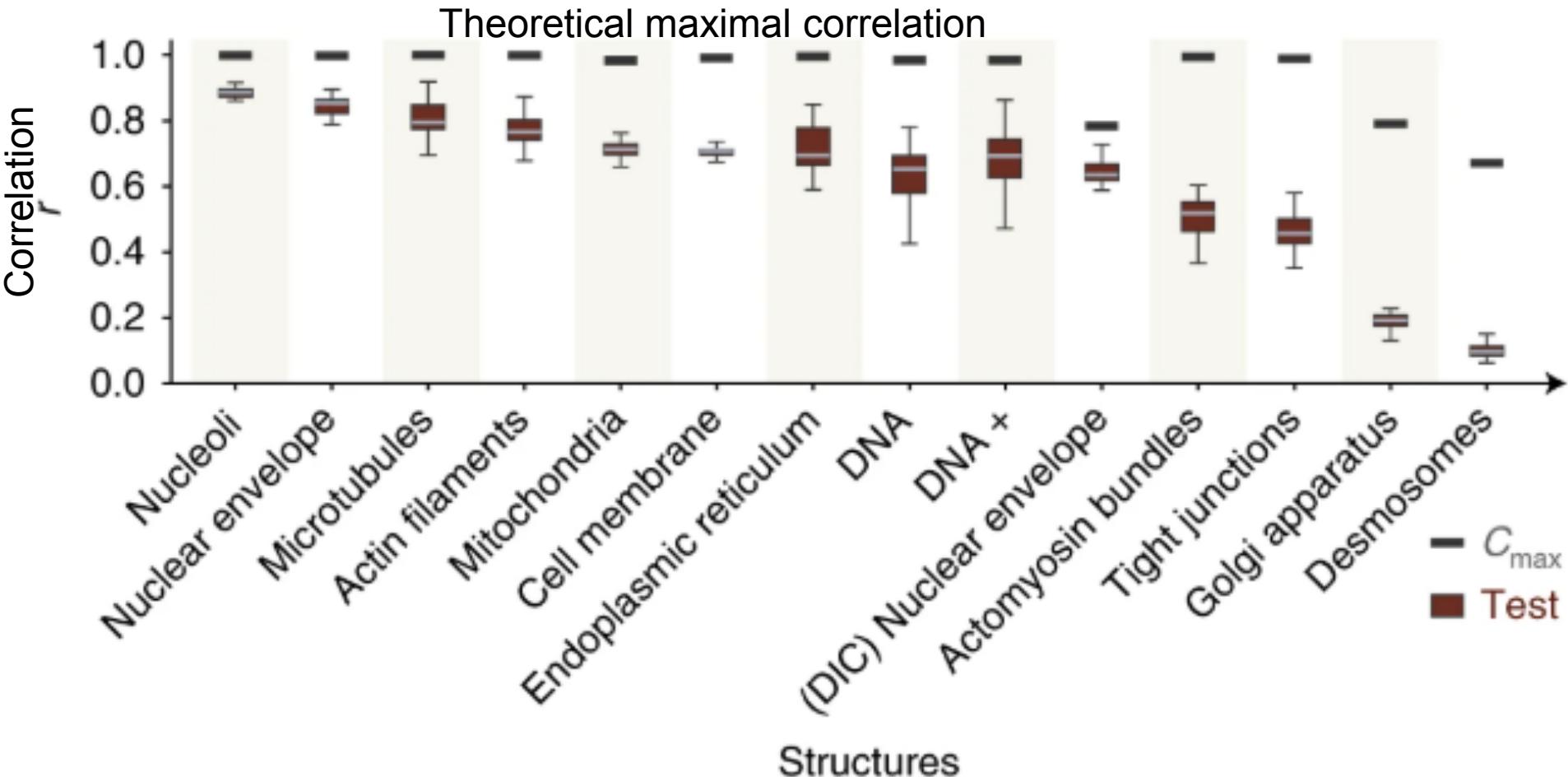
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# Results

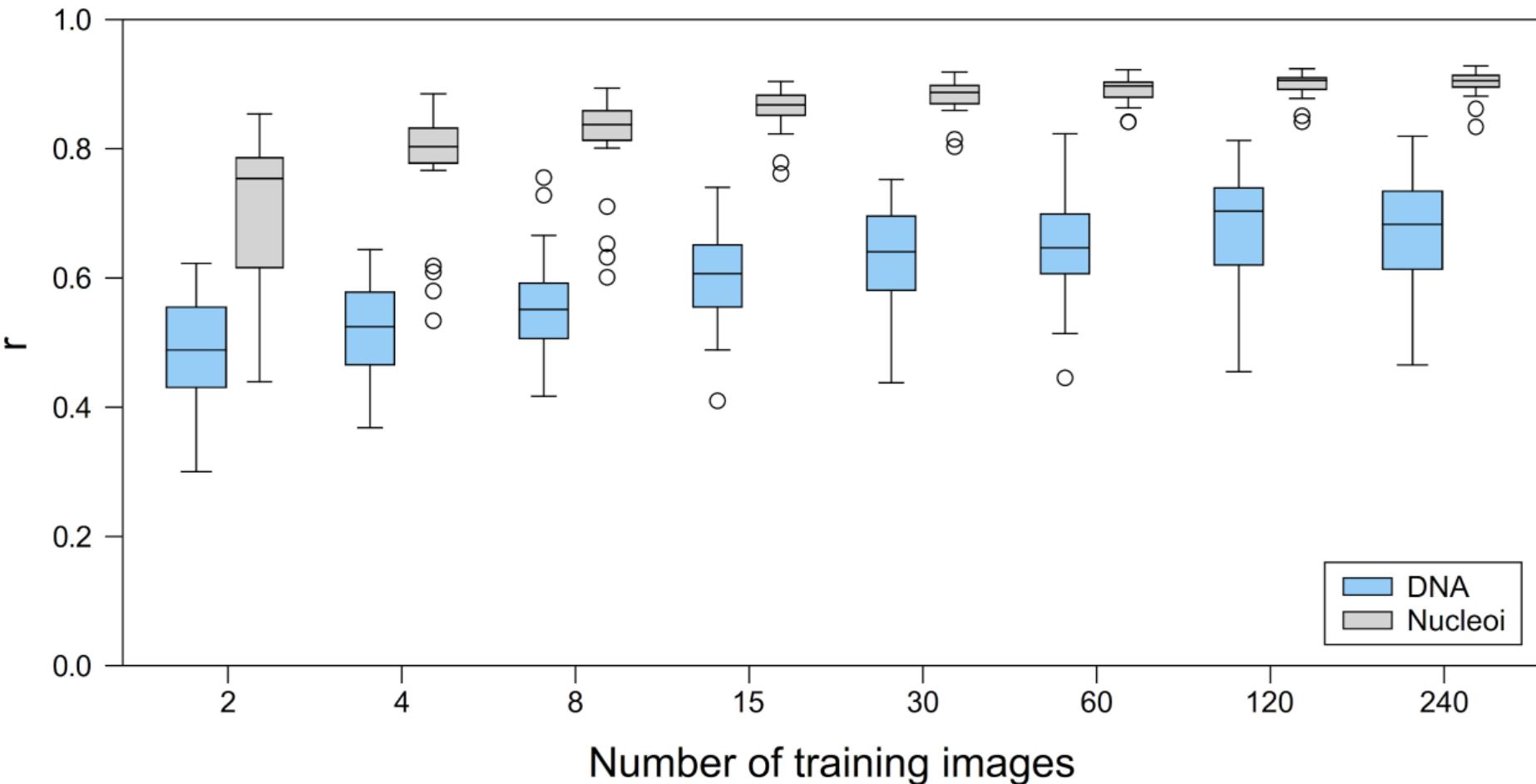


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# Predictions performance



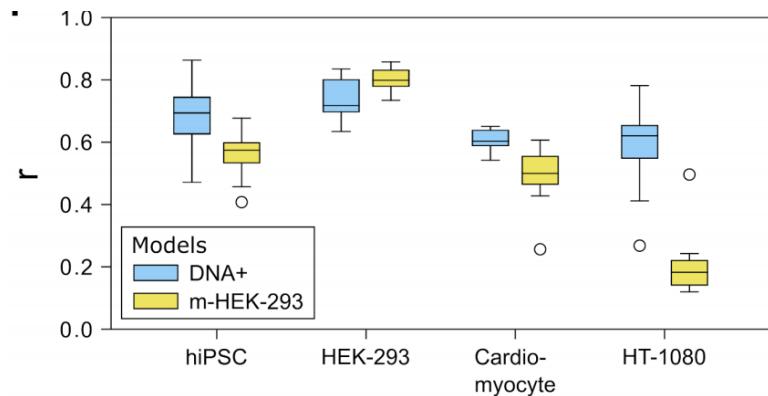
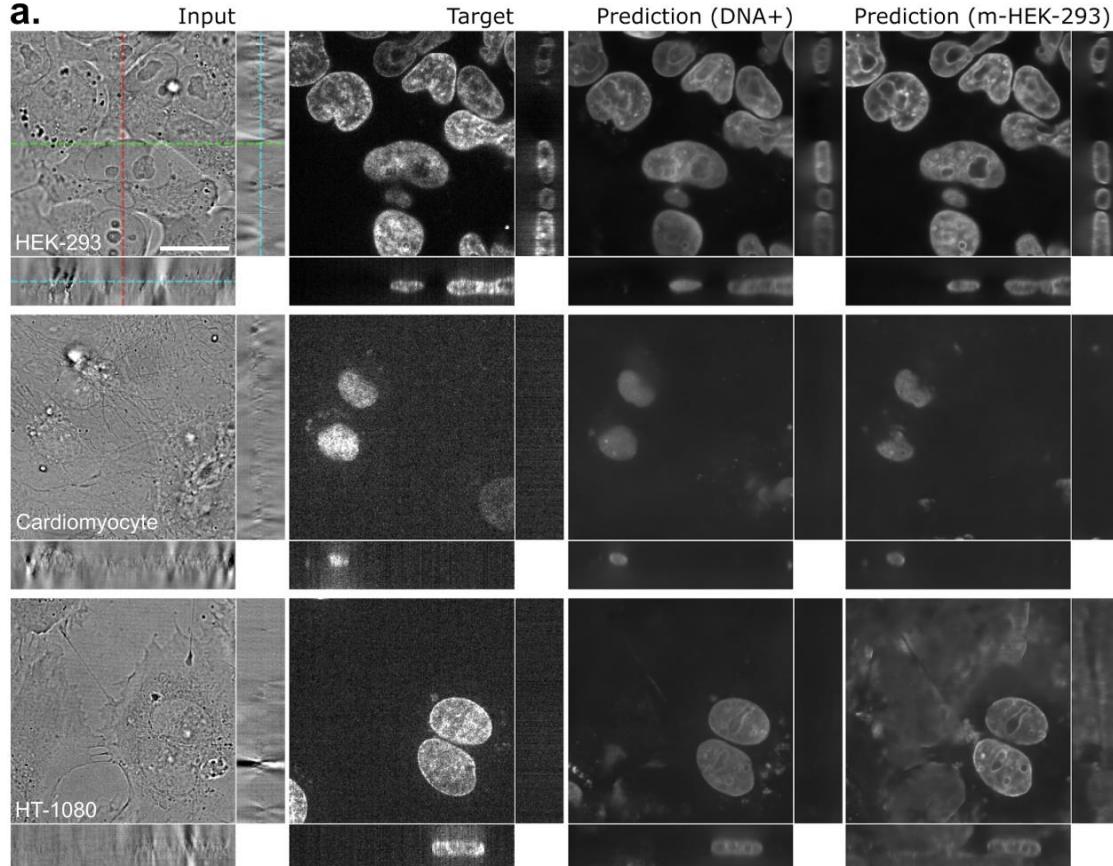
# Models can be trained with fairly small datasets



# Generalization to other cell types

Always perform best for data similar to the training

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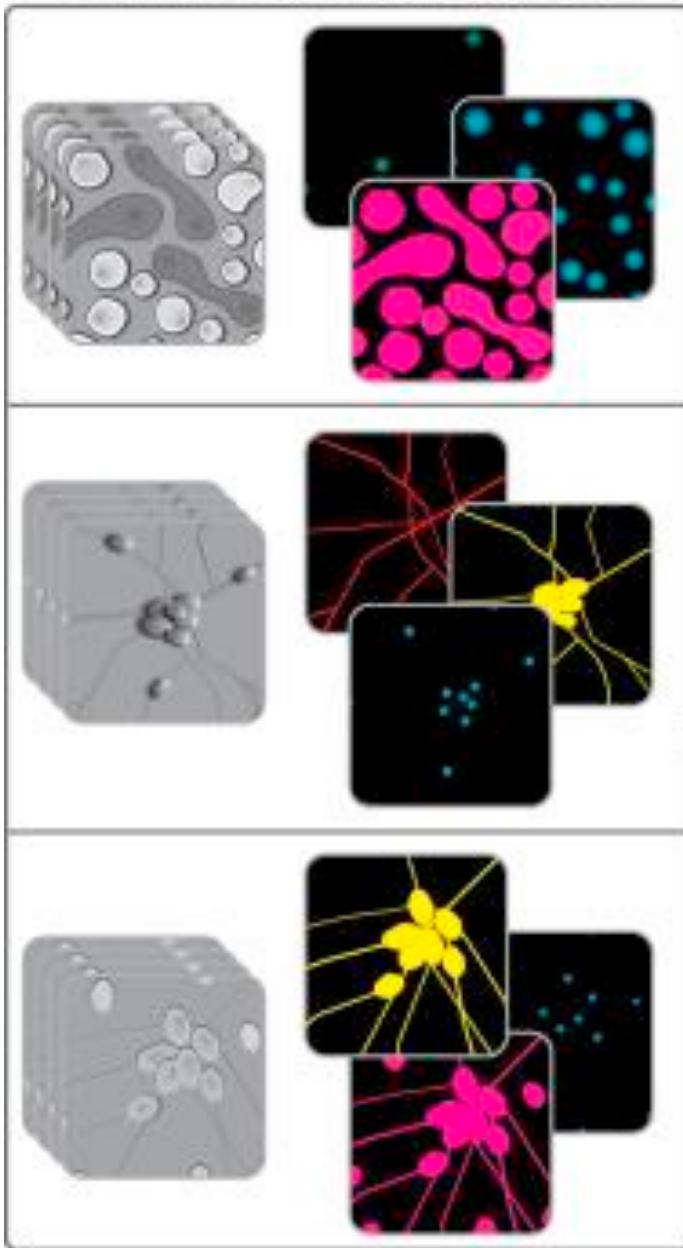
# Summary

- Great for hypothesis generation!
- Be very careful regarding “hallucinated” pixel intensities
- Generalization? effects of perturbations / different cell systems / imaging

# In silico labeling: predicting fluorescent labels in unlabeled images

- Fluorescence microscopy images can be predicted from transmitted-light z stacks
  - Cell nuclei, live/dead, cell type, organelle type
- 7 fluorescent labels were validated across three labs, modalities, and cell types
- Multi-task learning
- Transfer learning: new labels can be predicted using minimal additional training data

Pairs of transmitted light z-stacks  
and fluorescence image sets



Untrained  
neural network



Predicted  
fluorescence  
images



Trained  
neural network

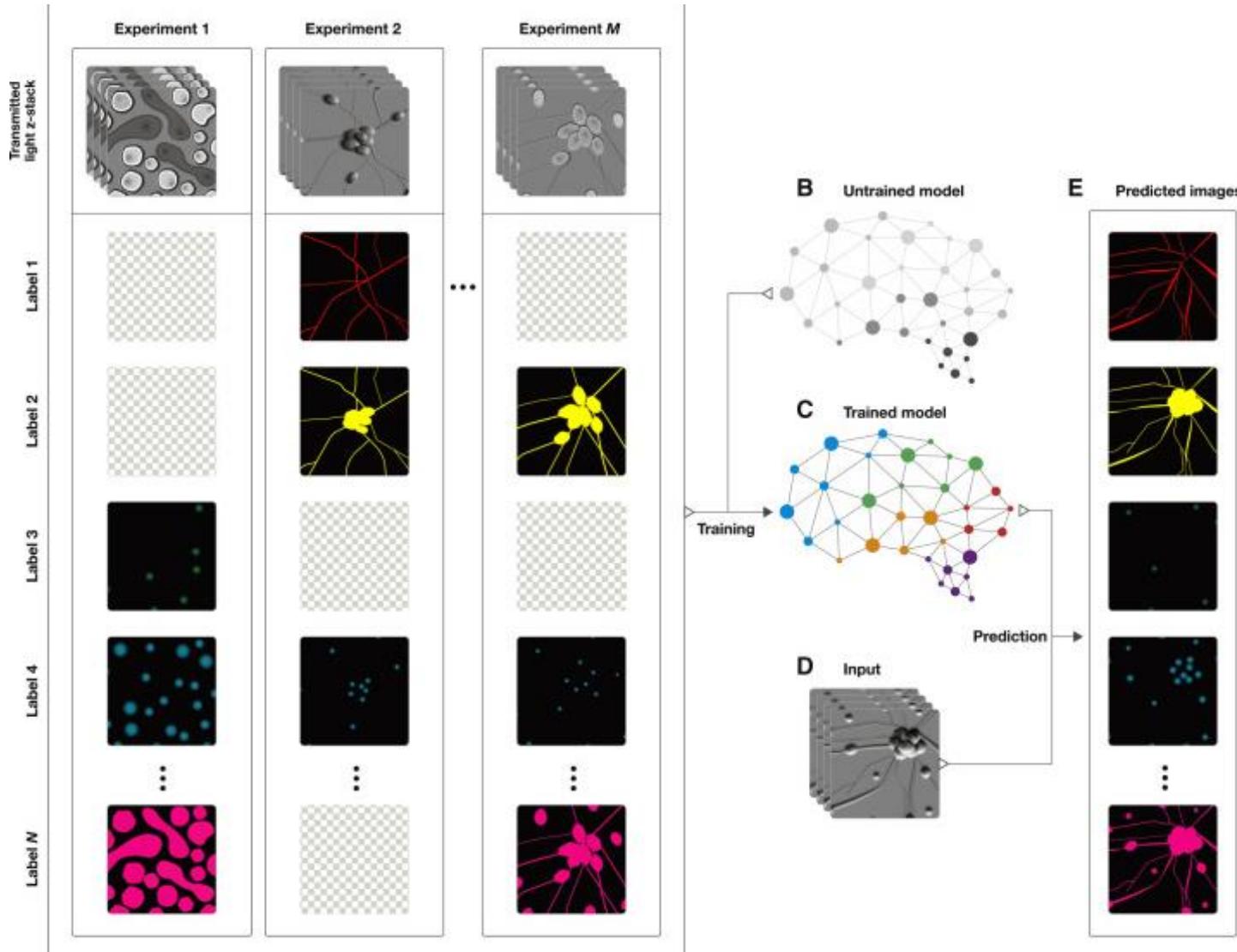


New transmitted  
light z-stack



# Multi-task learning

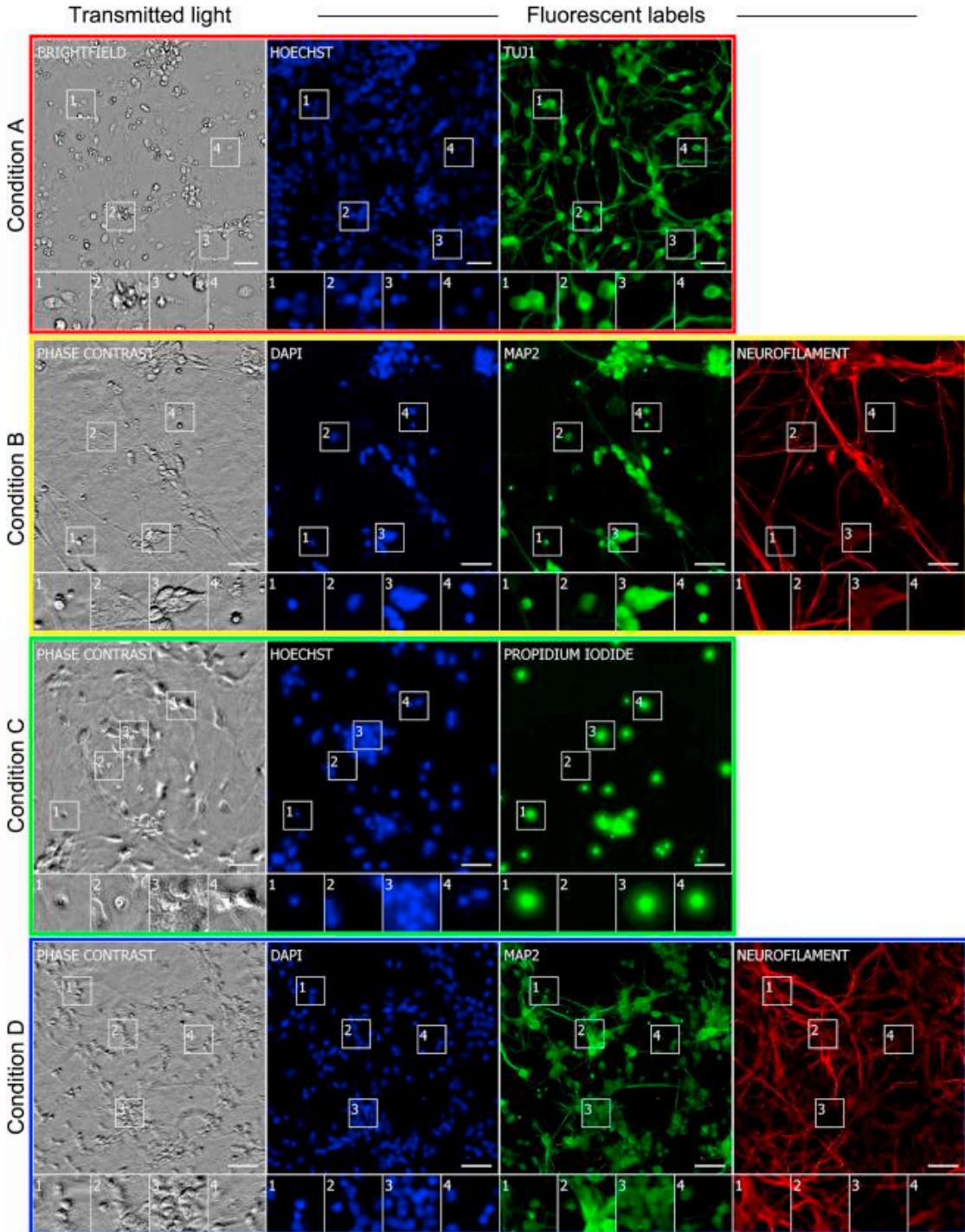
Learned abstractions can be reused across multiple tasks



Different cell types, labels, labs!

Christiansen et al. (2018)

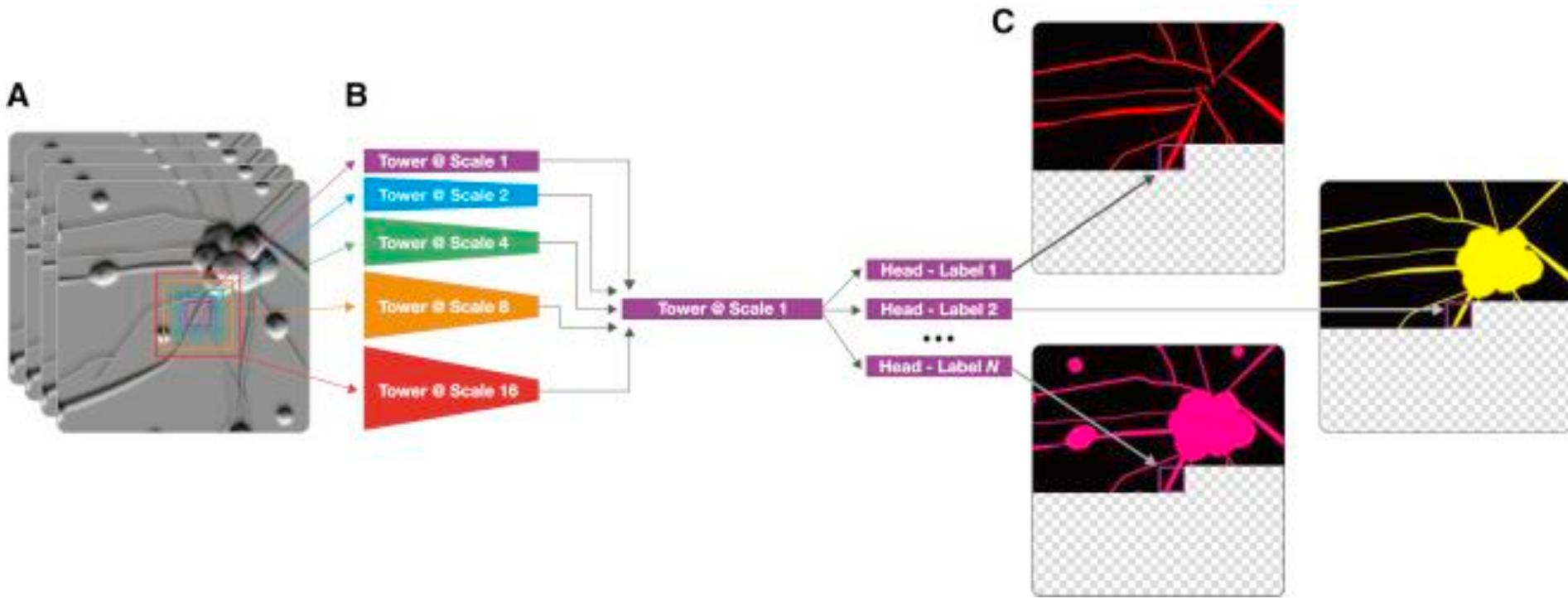
# Training data



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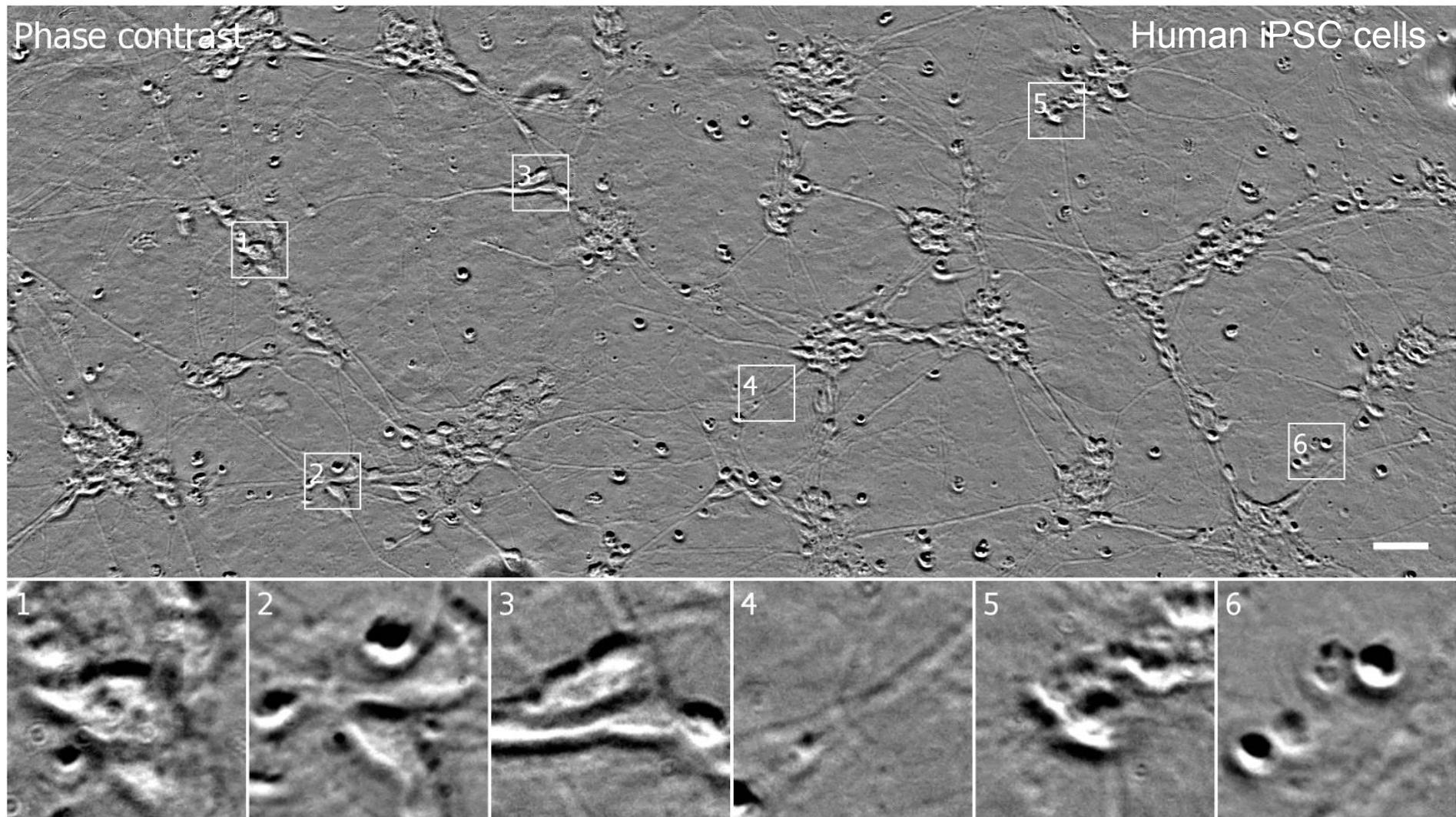
# Multi-scale learning

## learning the spatial interpolation



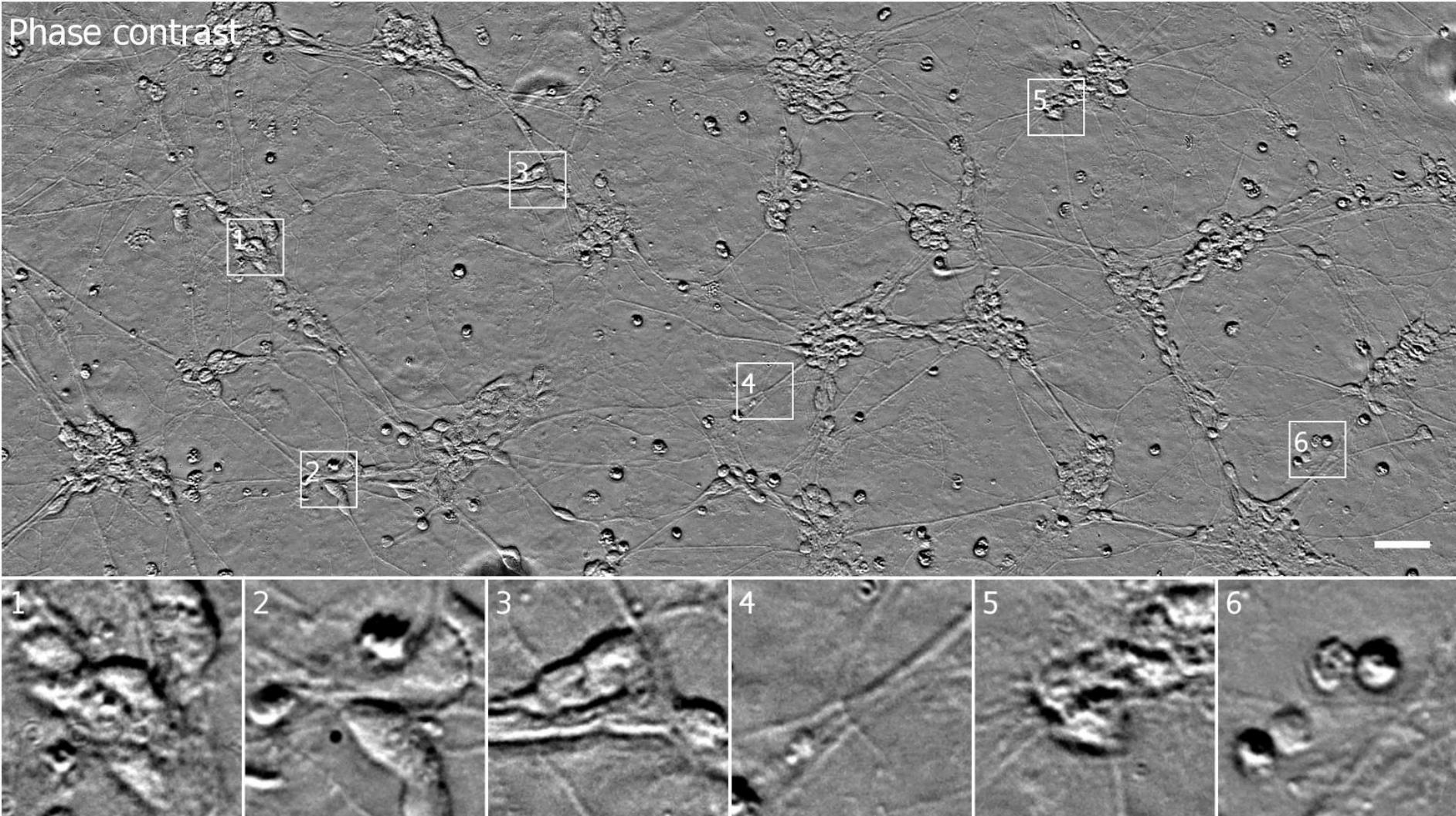
Inception modules (Szegedy et al., 2015) optimized with Google Hypertune (Golovin et al., 2017) to design the network architecture  
Blogposts with simple explanations of inception networks [here](#) and [here](#)

# Input: phase contrast imaging

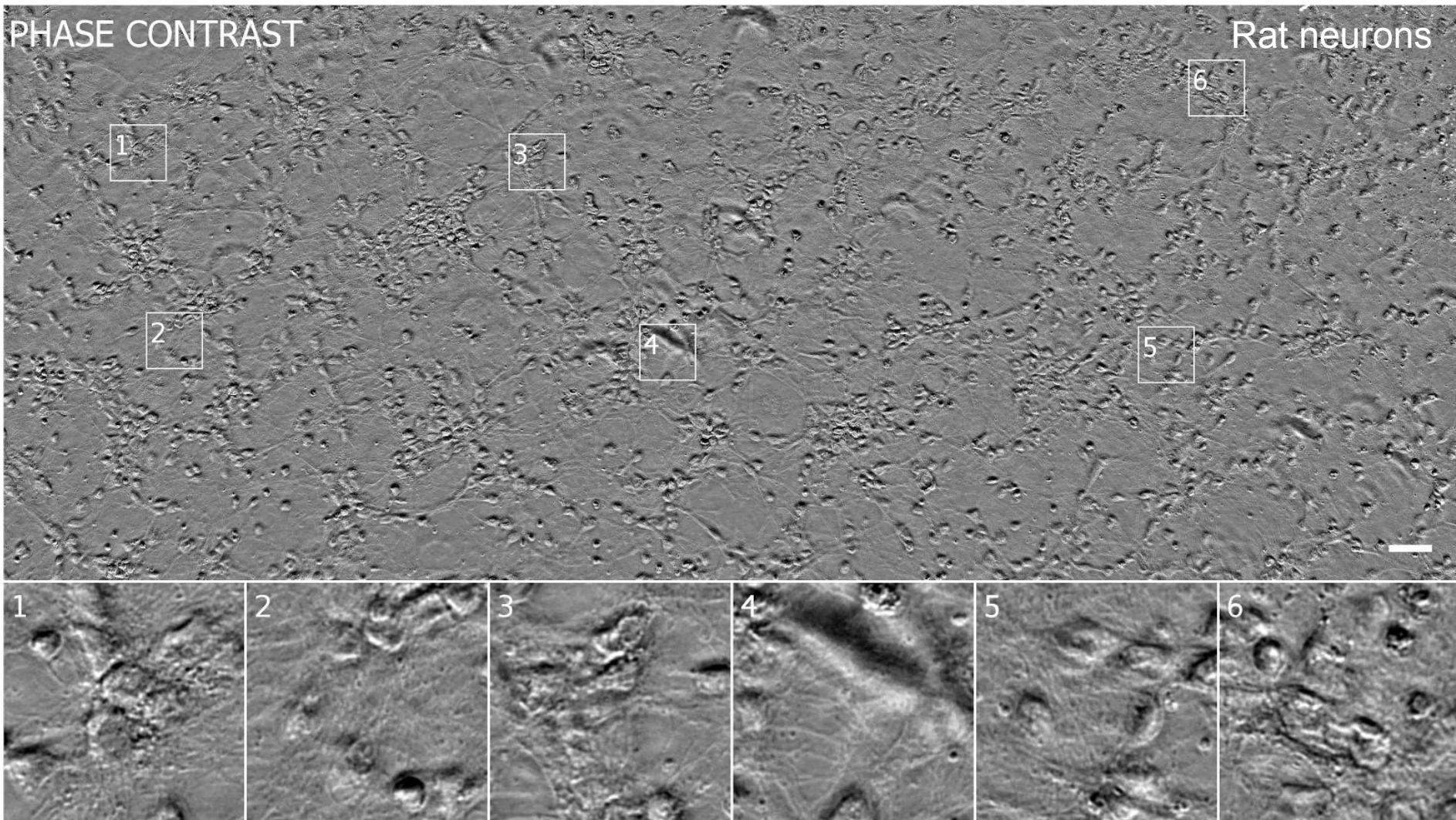


# Predictions

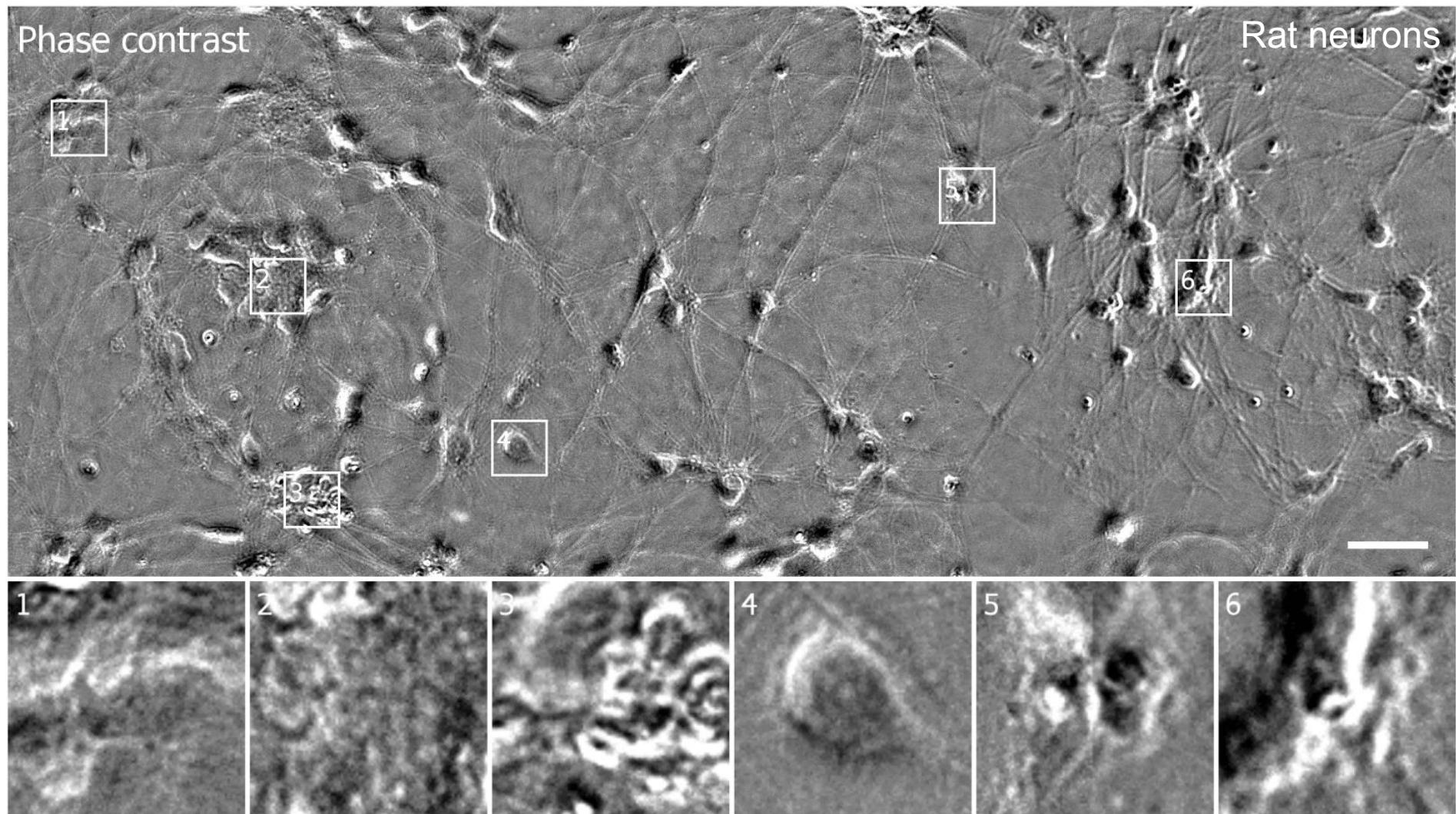
Phase contrast



# Predictions

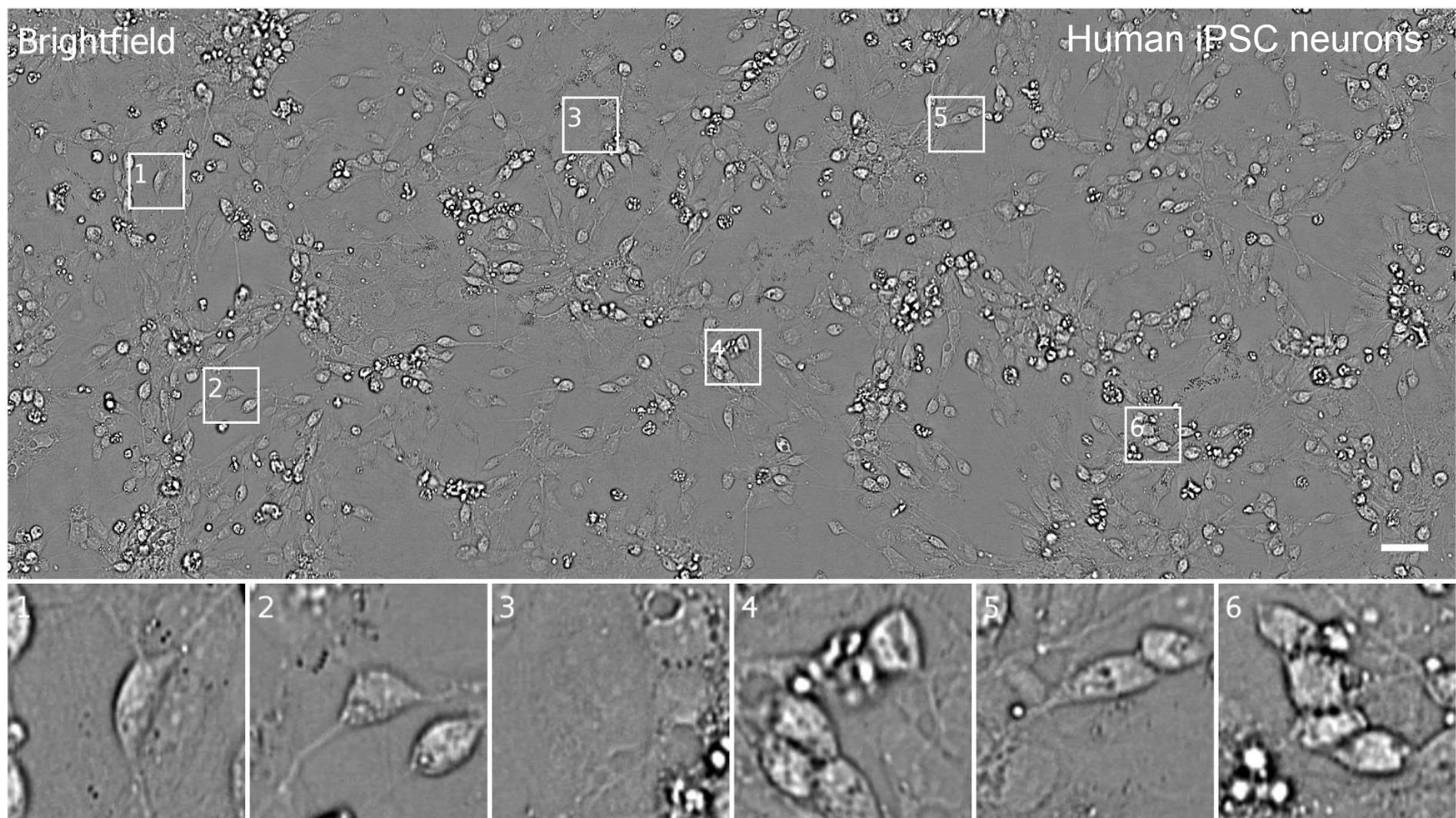


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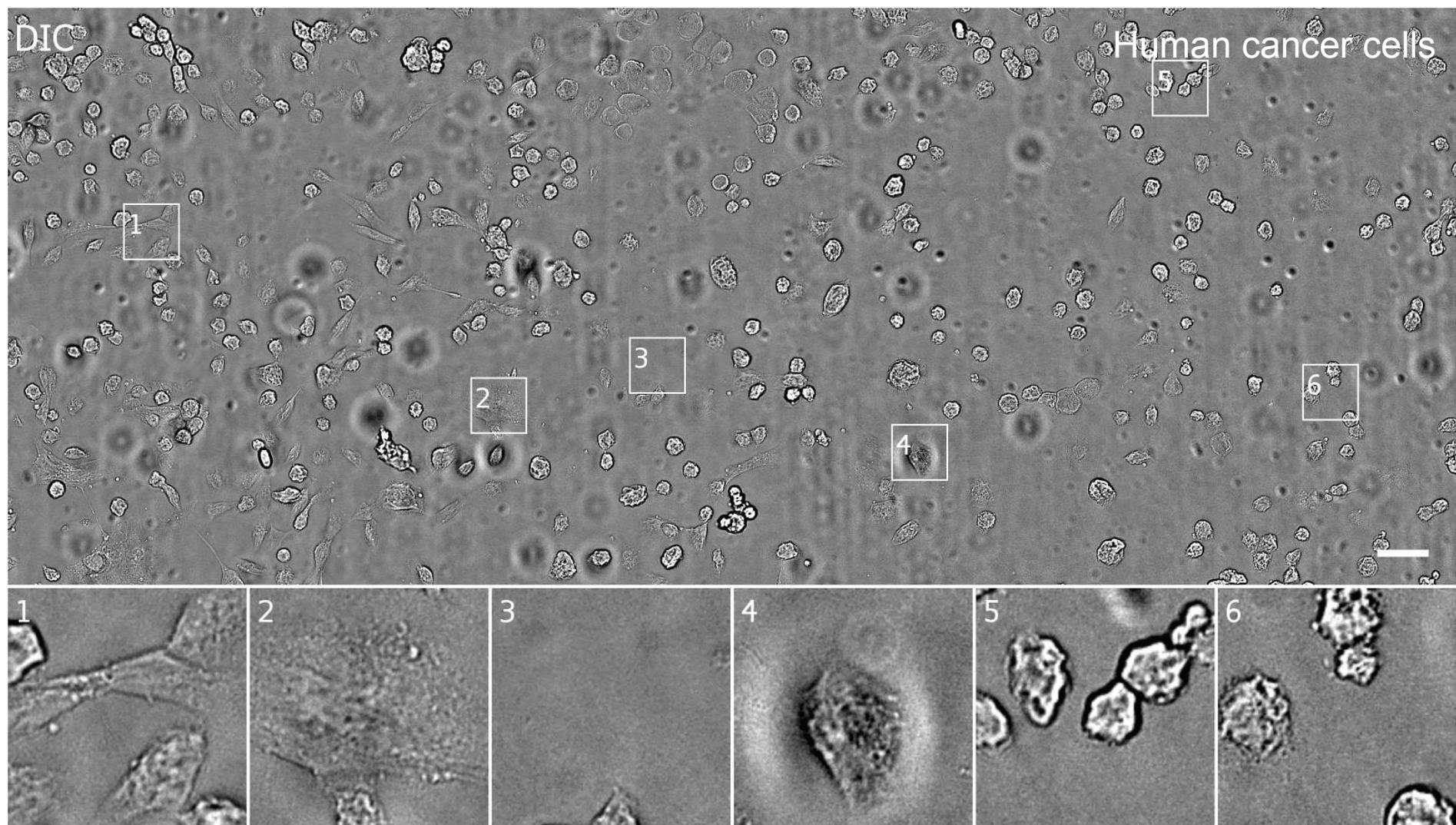
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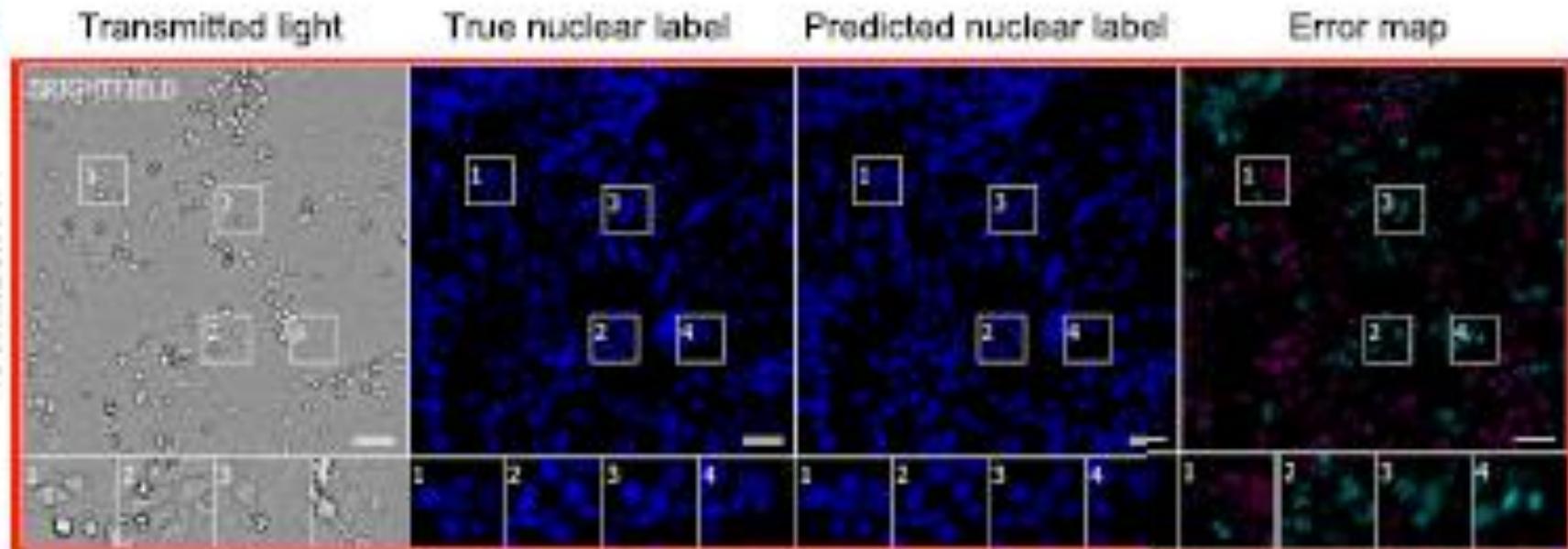
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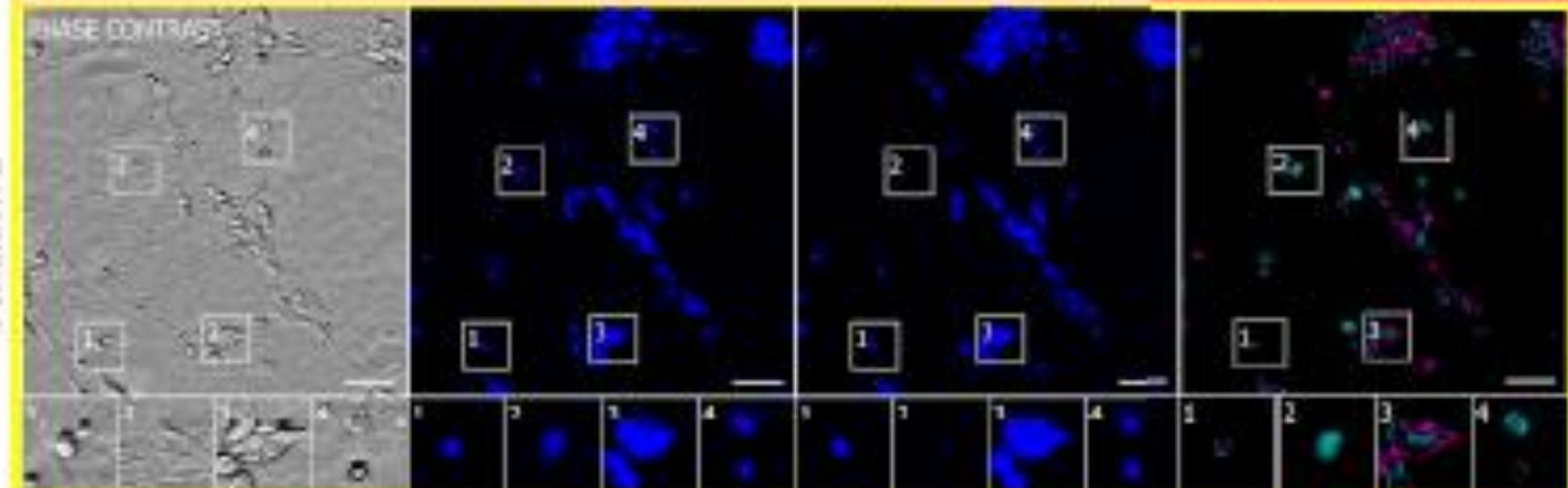


# Predicting nuclei (DAPI/Hoechst)

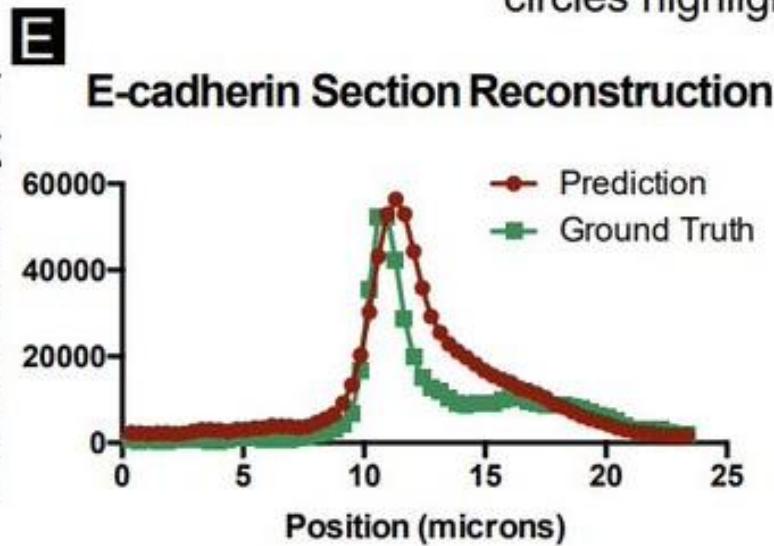
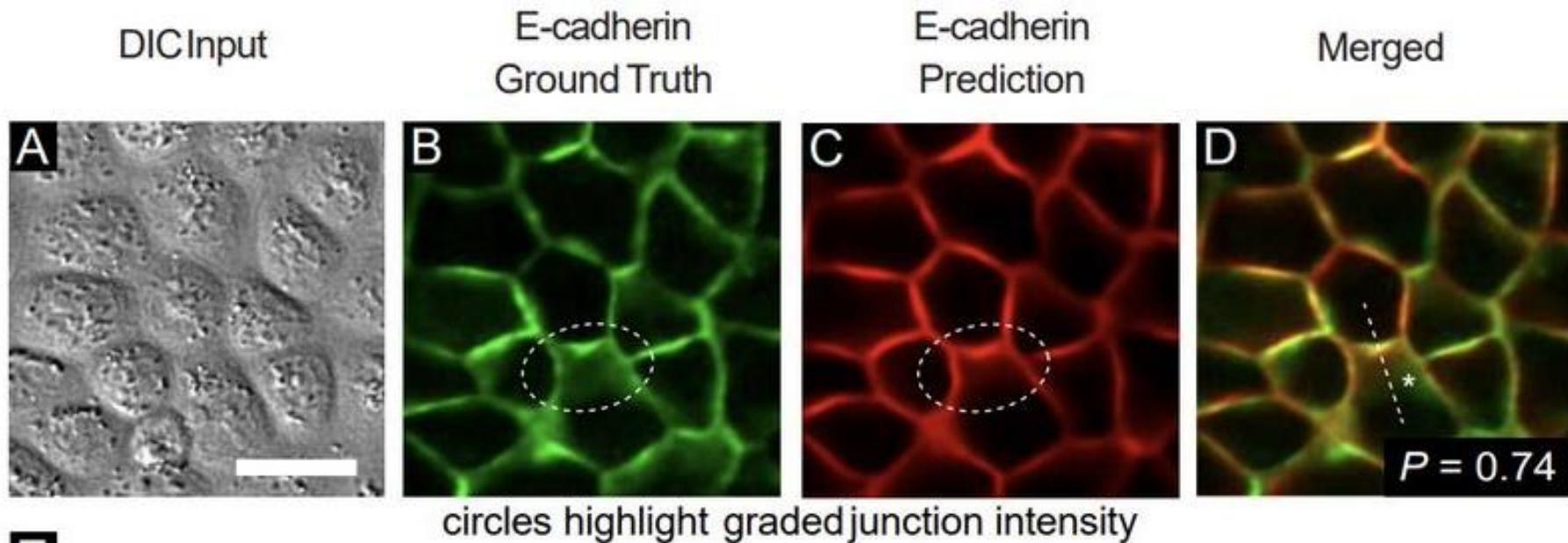
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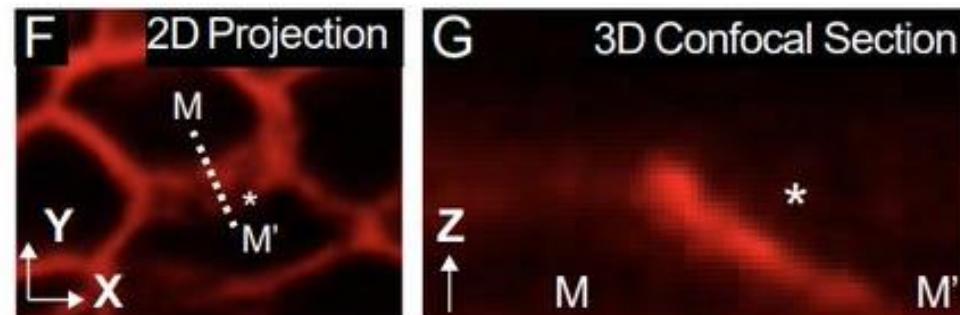
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# Validations of downstream analysis



Representative junction for confocal analysis



Junctional intensity gradients indicate 3D structure

# Examples of cross modality image mapping with deep learning

- PhaseStain: phase-to-histology (Rivenson, Liu, Wei, et al., 2019)
- Label free to physical cell properties (Guo, Yeh, Folkesson, at al., 2020)
- Dual labeling (Kölln et al. 2020)
- Fiducial markers to protein localization (Kobayashi et al. 2021)

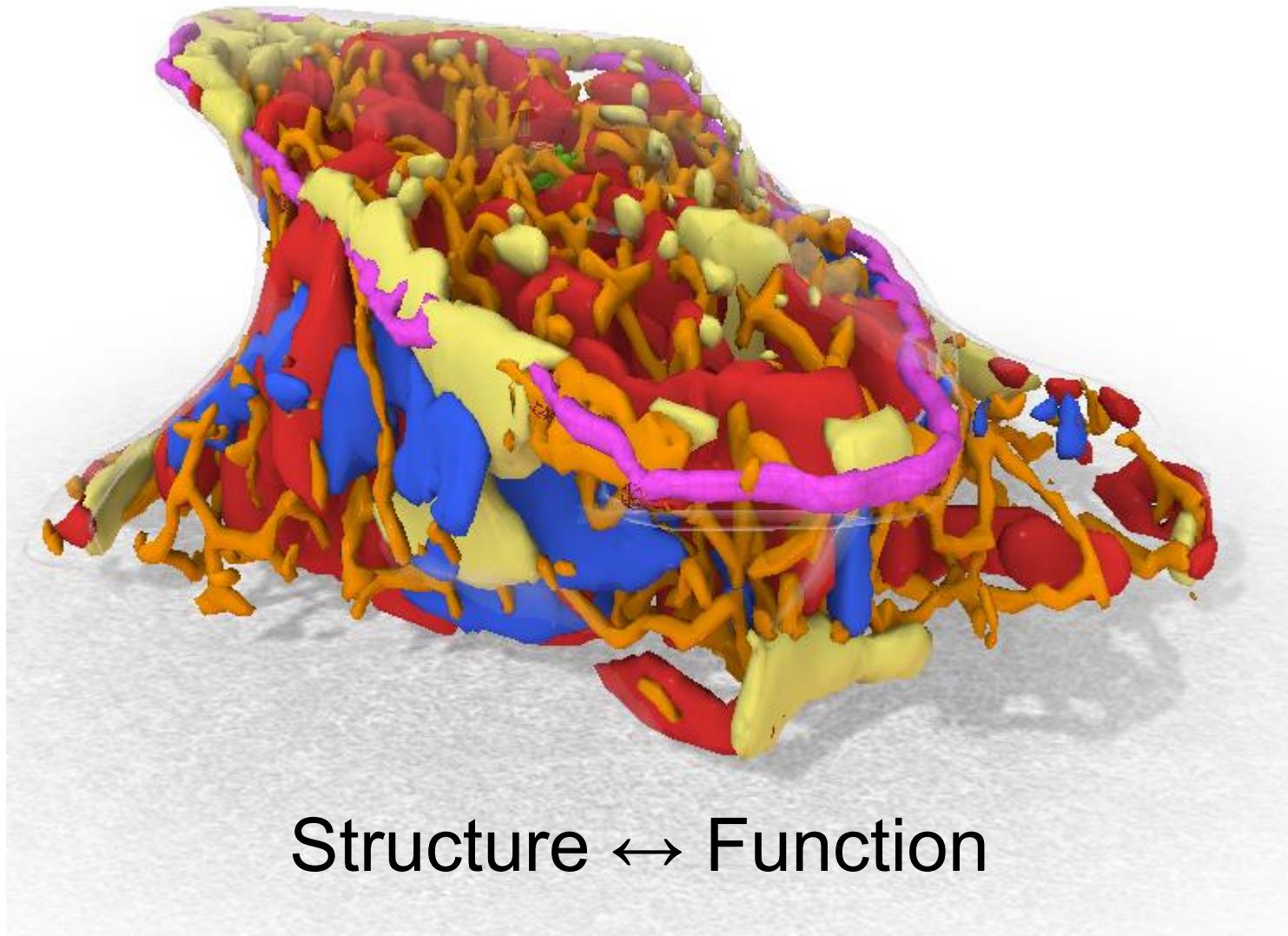
Could be picked as a student presentation

# Other (non DL based) generative models for cell organization

- Robert Murphy's lab, CMU,  
<http://www.andrew.cmu.edu/user/murphy/>
- Could be picked as a student/s presentation

# Look at a cell and know what it is doing

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# Pick a paper/s and schedule yourself for class presentation

- 20% of your grade
- In pairs
- From the list I distributed (or ask for my approval)
  - New-ish papers that I think are important/interesting (or ones that I did not have a chance to read)
- 10 minutes presentation + 5 discussion, strict timing!
- Iterative preparation: Yishaia (the TA) → me
  - Grade will be determined based on the full process.
- Public (ppt) slides on the course webpage with your name on it (unless you disagree)

# Prepare yourself...

- 20% of your grade
- These papers are LONG (compared to CS papers) and include cryptic biological terms
- Focus on the important stuff in the course's context: idea, methodology, results, impact, limitations
- Reading tip: you can ignore many biological/experimental details
  - Example: specific molecule names. Very important, but less in the context of our course

# Suggested presentation structure

- Background and context in relation to what we learn in class
- Main contribution and results
- Highlight specific results / ideas you find interesting
- Critic / weakness / limitations
- Personal opinion