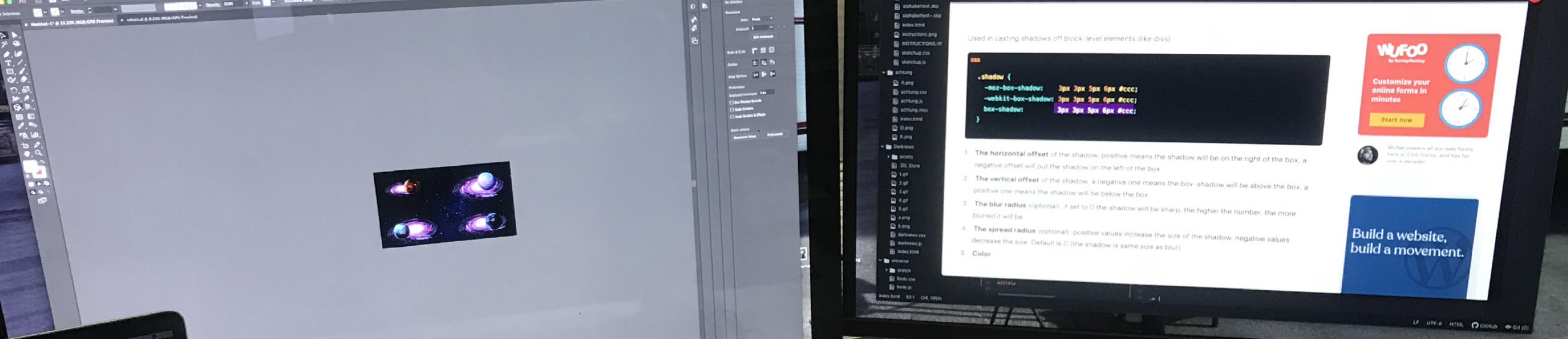
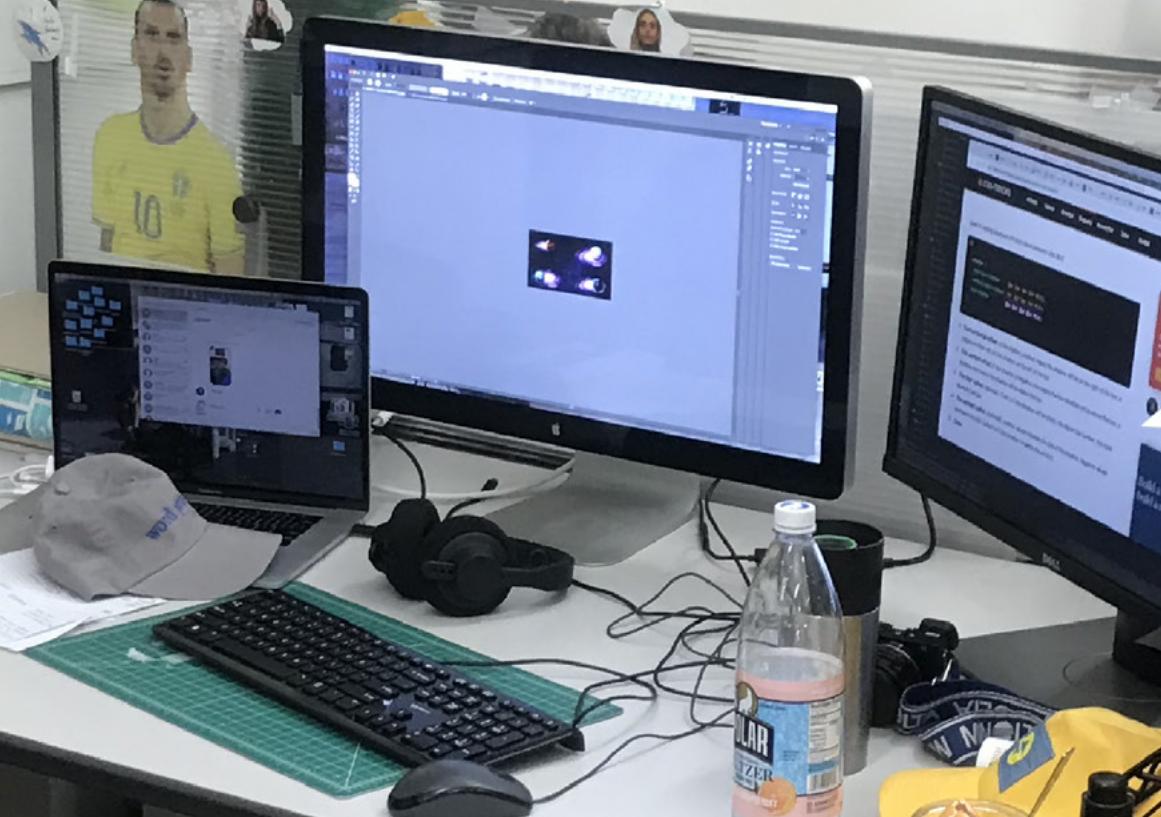
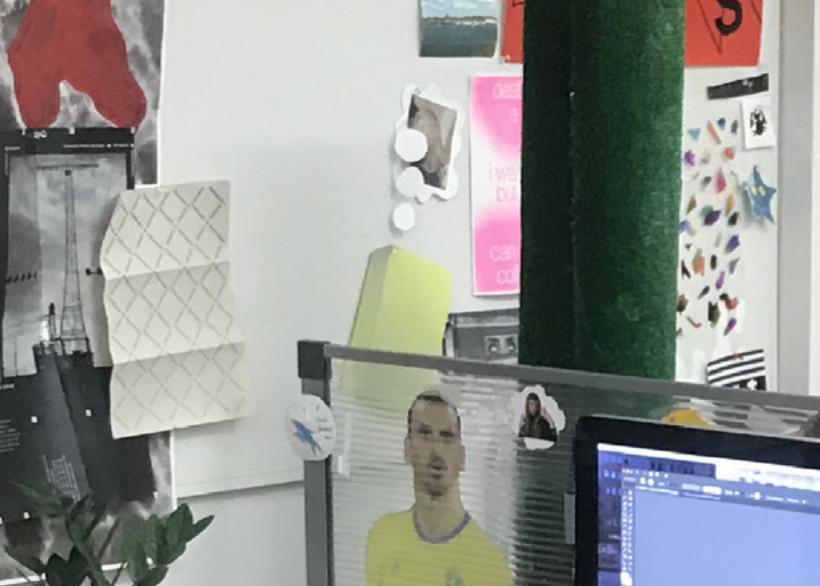
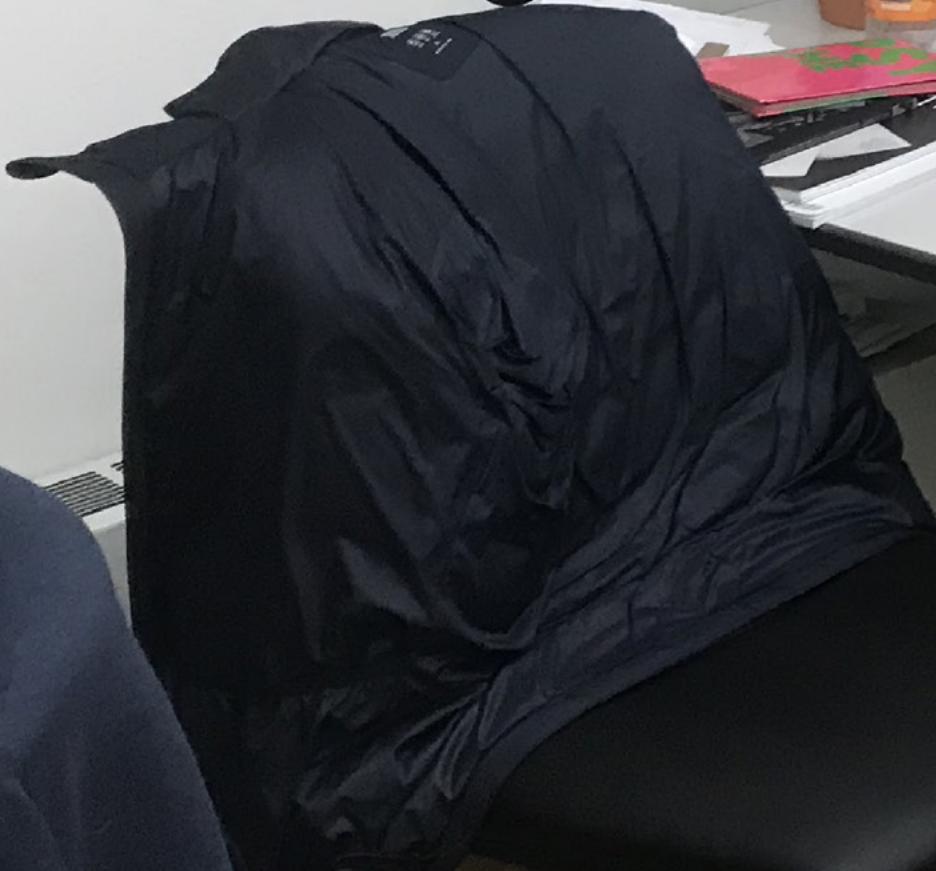


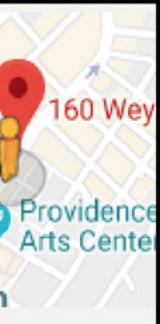
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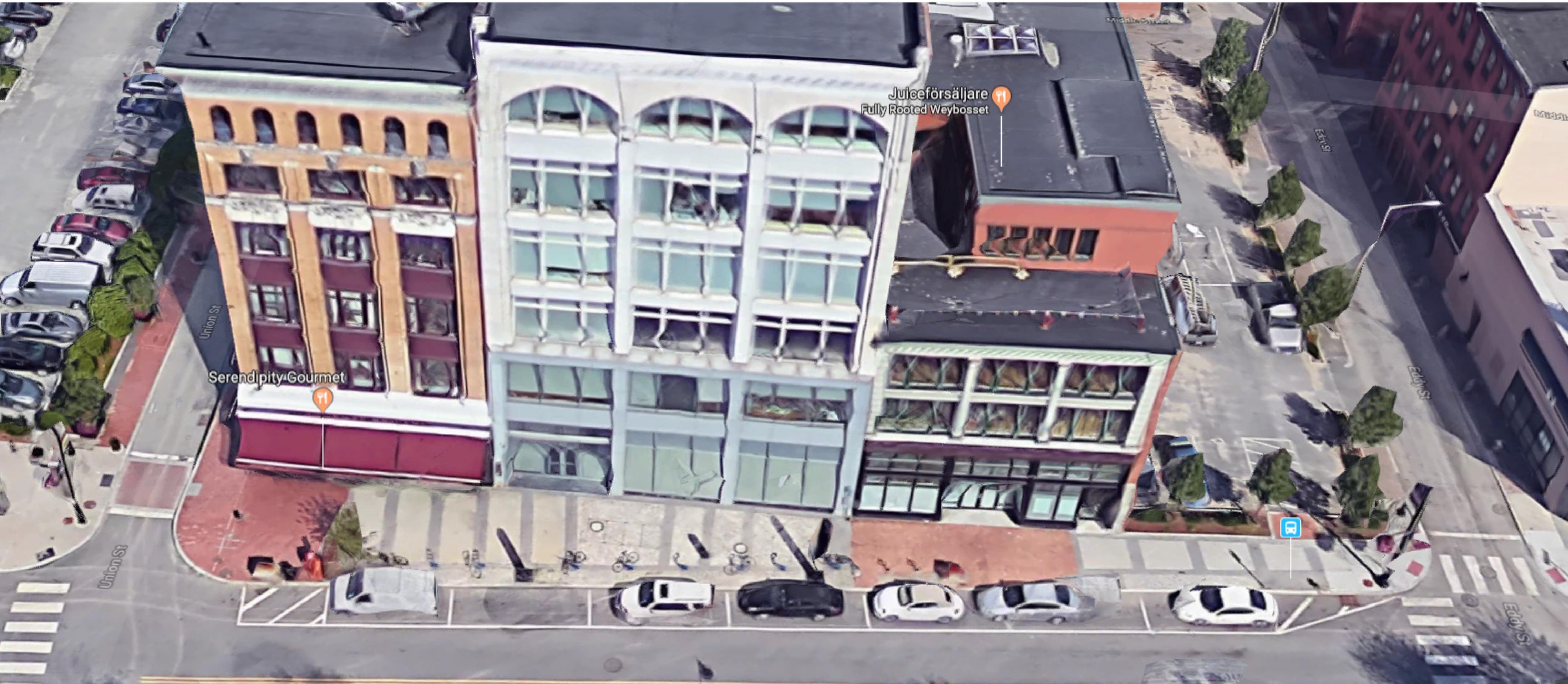
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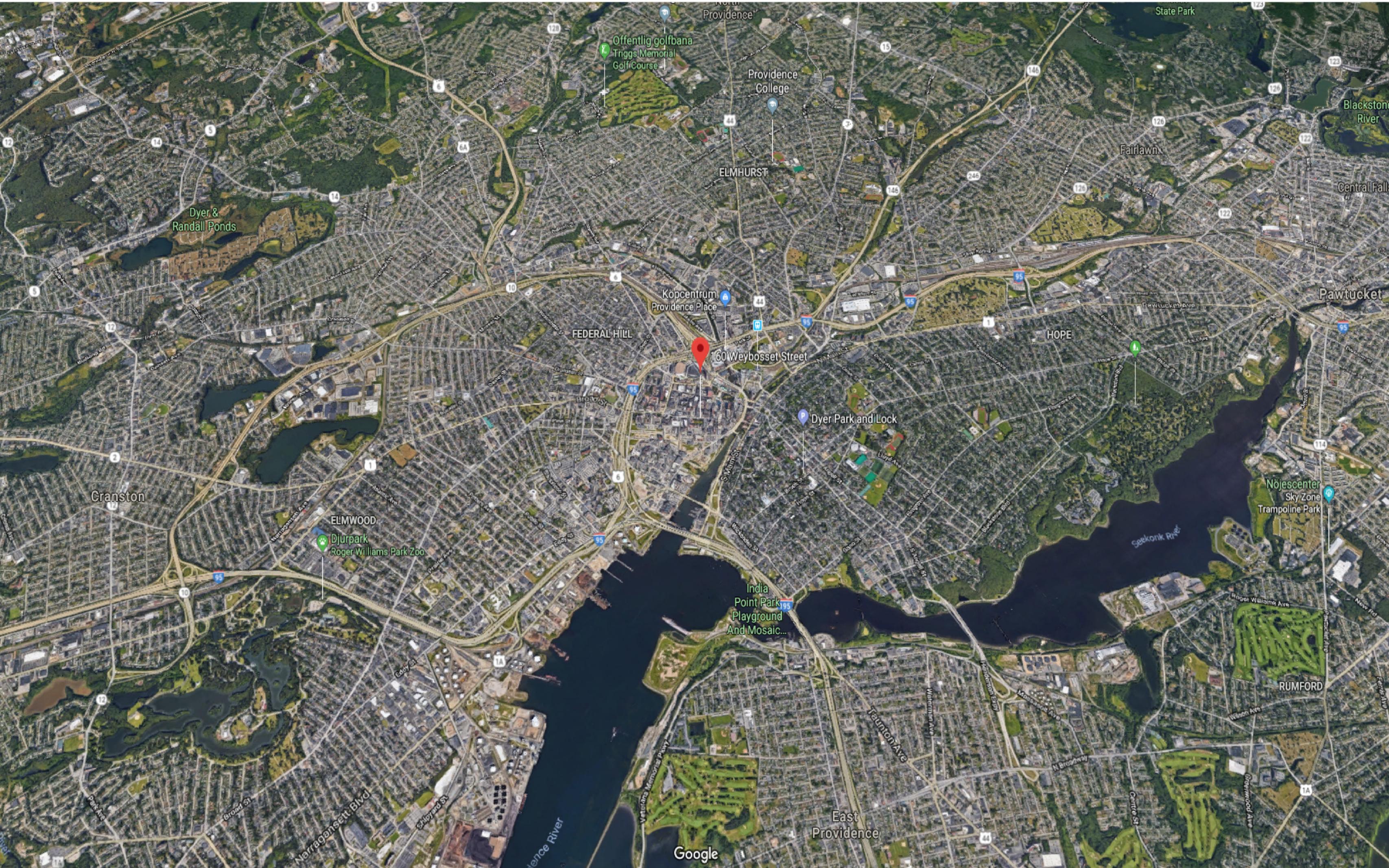


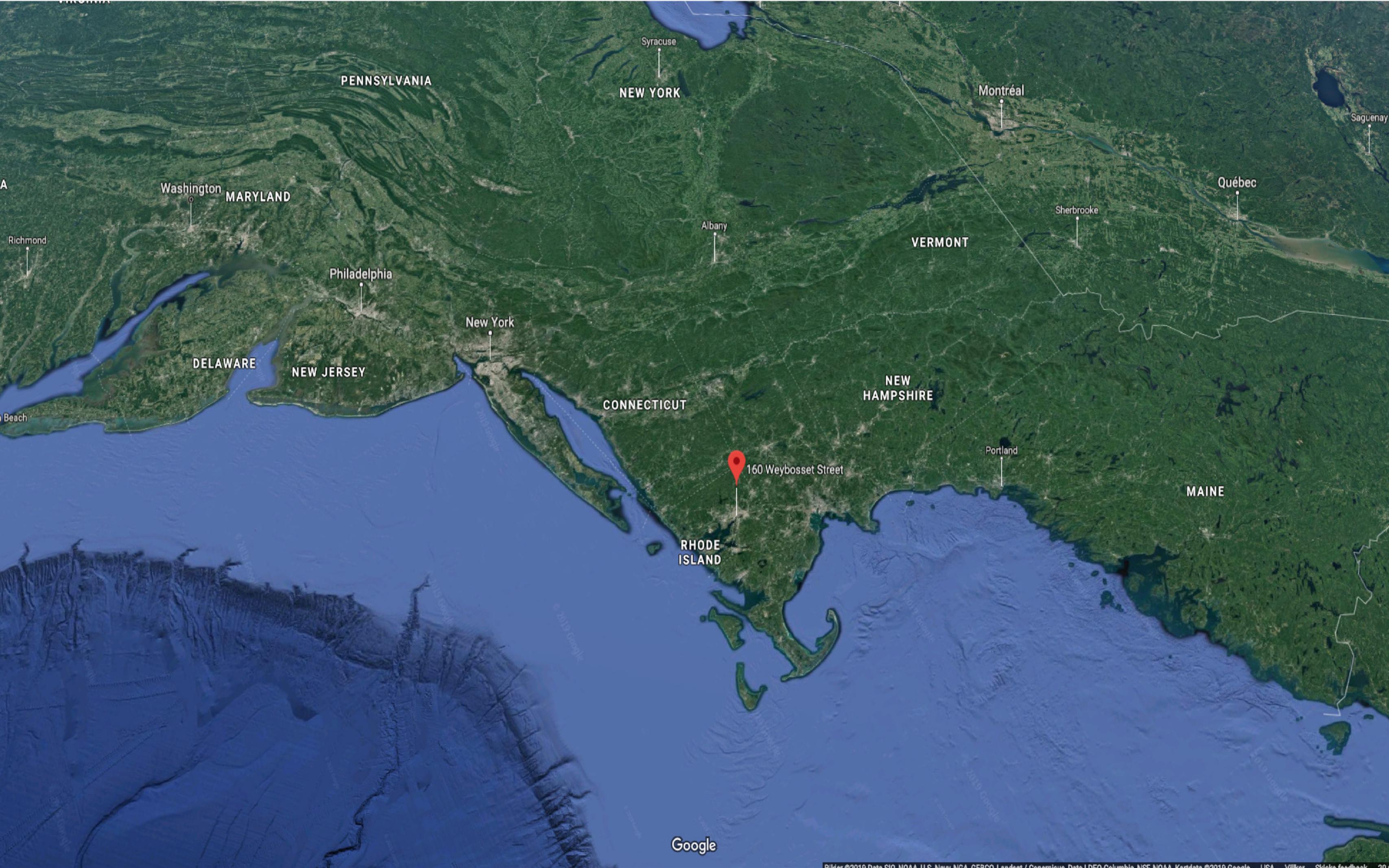
















A generalized human cell

The **cell nucleus**, a spherical structure, contains the genetic material, deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA), in the form of chromosomes. The nucleus controls the overall activity of the cell.

The **nuclear envelope** is a two-layered membrane surrounding the nucleus. The envelope acts as a sieve, controlling the continuous flow of chemicals to and from the nucleus.

The **nucleolus**, housed within the nucleus, has, under a microscope, a granular appearance. This is due to its concentration of ribonucleic acid (RNA).

Cytoplasm is the watery medium of the cell in which all the structures are suspended. Most of the work of the cell is carried on in the cytoplasm.

The **cell membrane** is a soft, pliable skin which acts as a control gate for the entry and exit of substances involved in cell function.

The **endoplasmic reticulum** is a network of flattened sacs and tubes which provides a communication channel for materials passing between the nucleus and the cell's environment.

The **lysosomes** are simple sacs which contain powerful chemicals involved in dis-

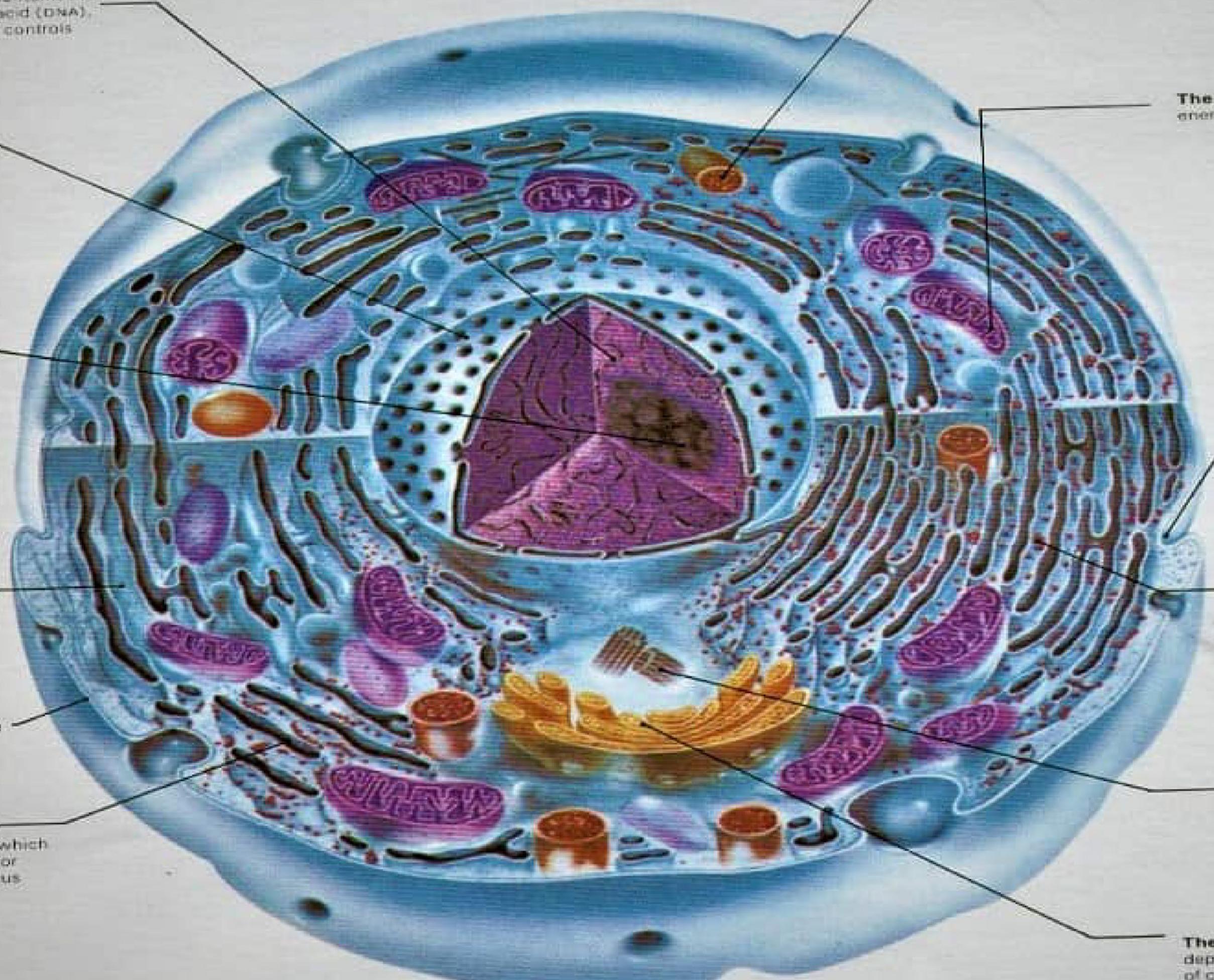
The **mitochondria** are energy production units.

Pits on the surface capture fluid which carries it toward

The **ribosomes** are where protein contain ribonucleic acid similar to that found in the nucleus.

The **centrioles** are involved in cell division; they move at opposite poles of the cell to divide the delicate threads of cytoplasm.

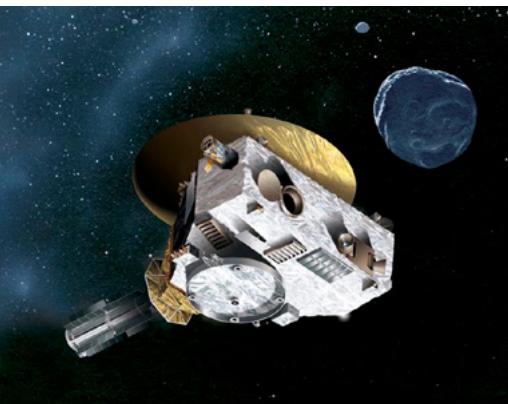
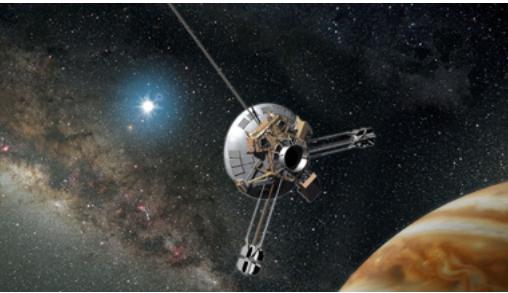
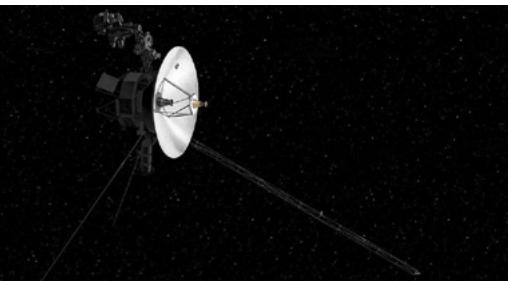
The **Golgi complex** is a depot for the storage and distribution of cell products.



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If we zoom into our bodies, we find that we are built-up by cells. If we zoom out really far, our galaxy doesn't look too different from our own cell structures. What if, when we get sick in cellular diseases, in fact, our cells are destroying their worlds? And when they are ruining their environments maybe they are giving us cancer? Or what if we, when we are messing with our environment are giving another huge "parent creature" cancer?

Humans have sent out five spacecraft out of our solar system. **By curating facts** and putting them out of their original context by using hyperlinks I'm trying to make an infographic universe, presenting them as if they were sent out to find a cure for cellular diseases.



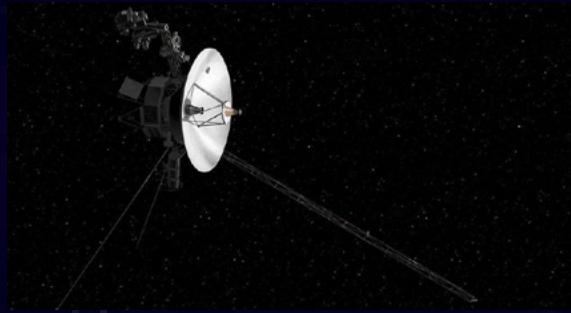
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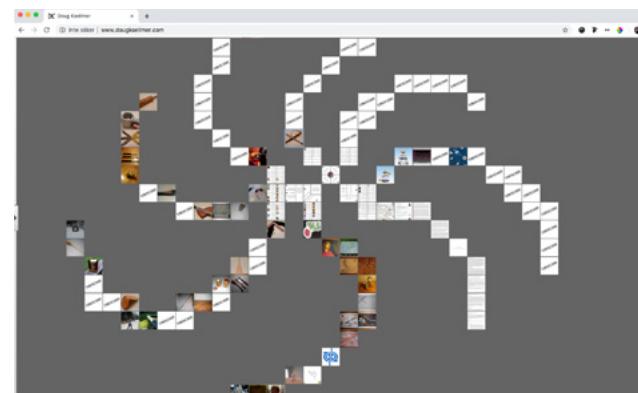
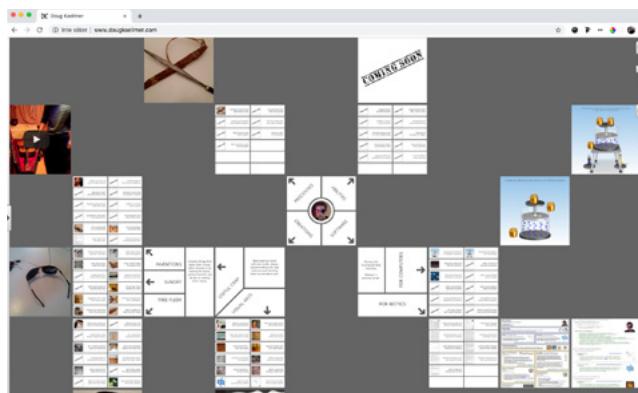
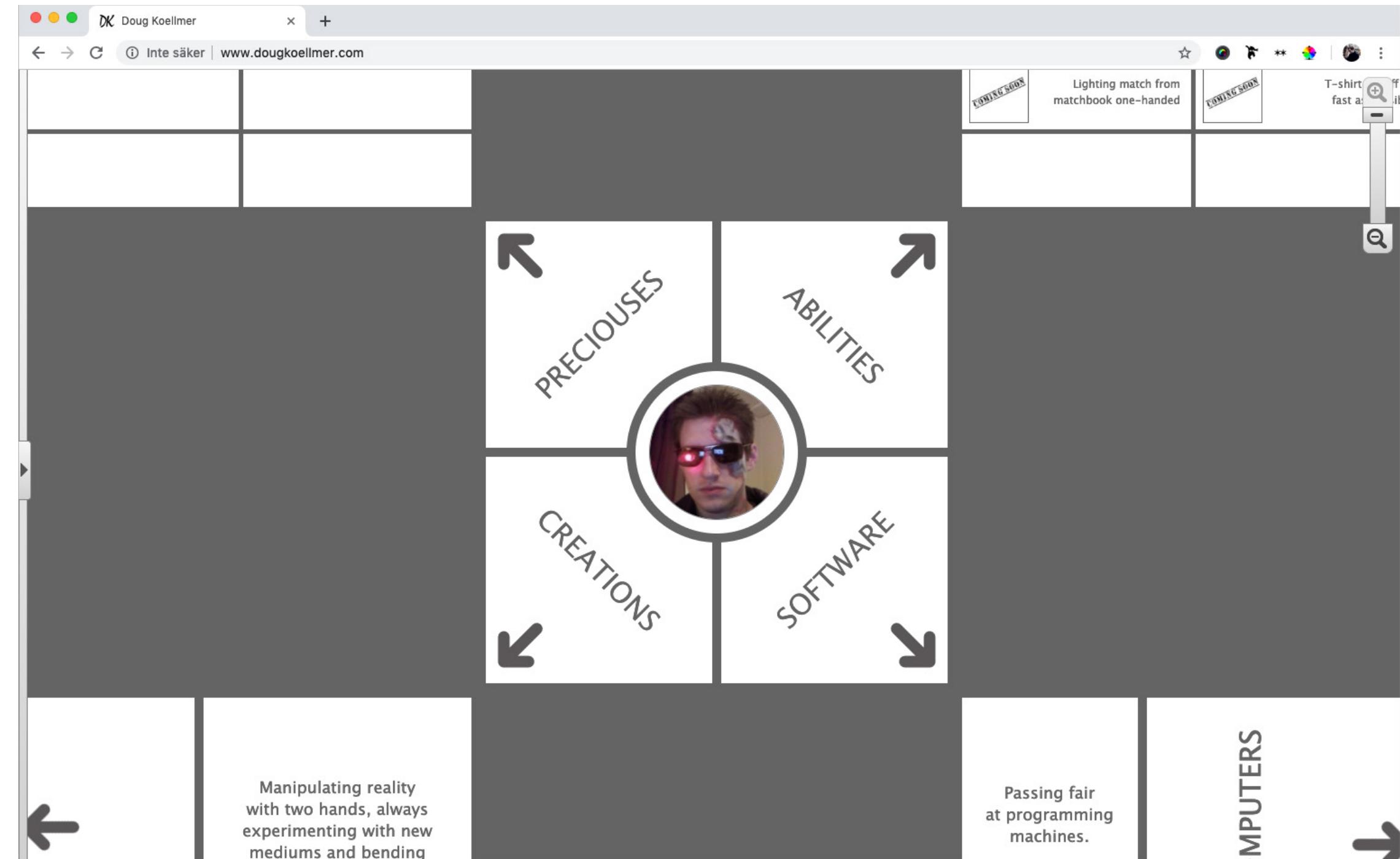
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reference site:

<http://www.dougkoellmer.com/>

Doug Koellmer has a portfolio/personal website with all kinds of stuff branching out from its original four categories. One thing leads to another, and all of a sudden I know more about Doug than many other software engineers.

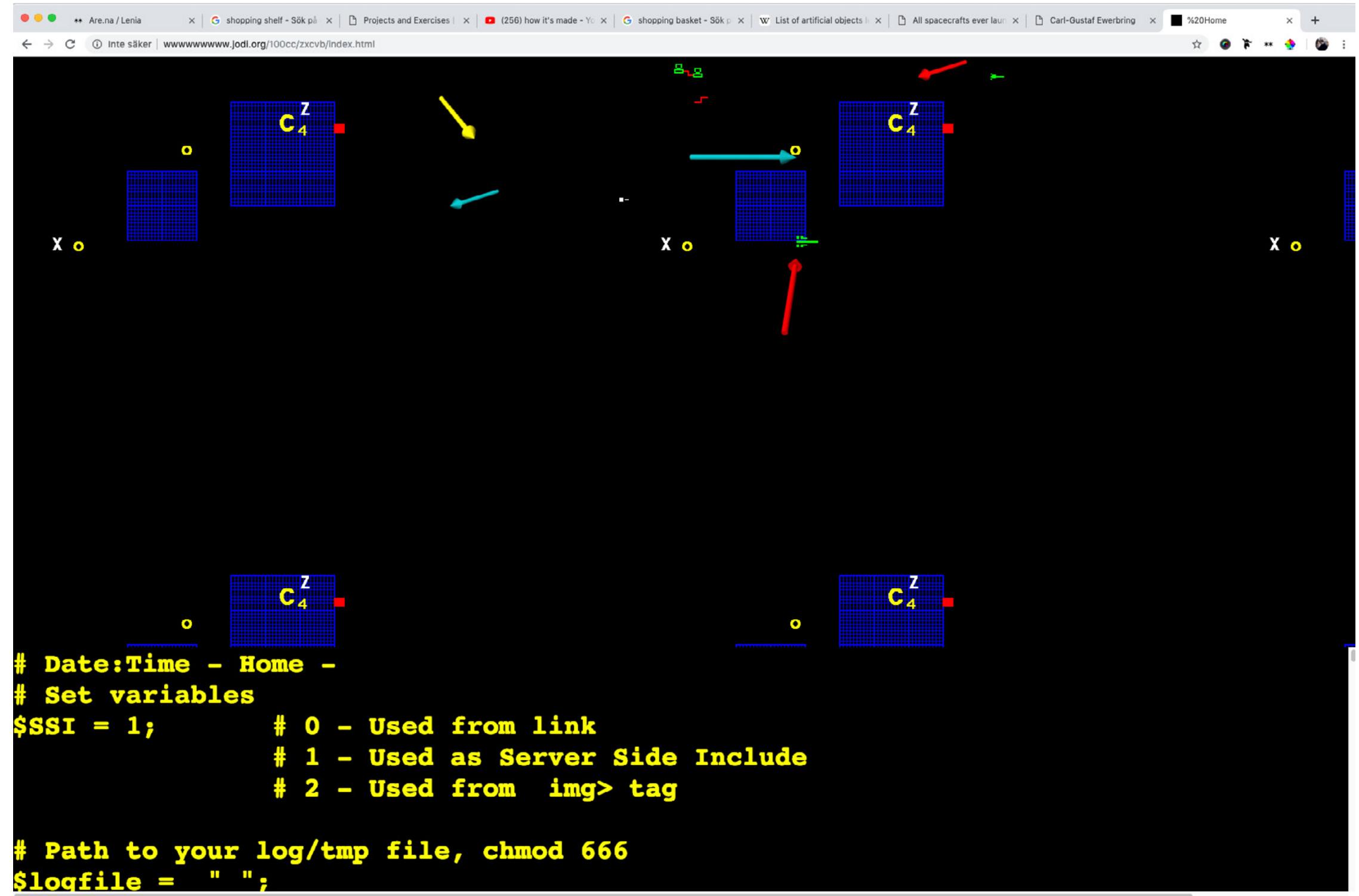


reference site:

<http://www.jodi.org>

"JODI.org is full of strange corners and dead ends, collections of strange pages that seem to go nowhere until exactly the right link is clicked or the right passageway found. It's created to be confusing, to make viewers think twice about what they expect from the internet."

I like JODI because it is easy to give up on it, but if you spend some time on it it is engaging and creates a will to continue. Sometimes it gives a slight reward, which is enough to spend more time with it.



reference site: <http://ascii.designforthe.net/>

ASCII Town is interesting because it is built by a number of members. It doesn't say at first, but when you spend some time with it there are hidden links that explain the project, and when you follow them it makes sense. Just like in JODIs website I think that this builds engagement and relation, and that is something I would like to try to achieve in my project too.

The participatory factor of this website is interesting, and sort of explains the vernacular look of it. In my project I'm looking into how users can go in and change the content of the website to make their voice heard.

