

4D CELL Biology Laboratory

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Who are we?



Gillian



When I was a kid I wanted to be...

A princess scientist cheerleader

Today I am...

A bioengineer (fancy scientist)



IN SCHOOL

Math
Biology
Engineering
Crafts

IN THE LAB

Grow organoids
Create sample chips
Understand
mitochondria

AFTER WORK

Dancing
Hiking/Skiing
Legos
Mystery movies



Anna

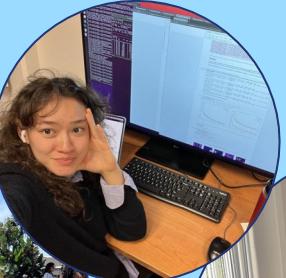


When I was a kid I wanted to be...

ballerina, chemist, and actress

Today I am...

Cognitive and Machine Learning
Research Scientist



IN THE LAB

Process Data from the Microscope
Make pictures look sharp and clean

IN SCHOOL

Geometry
Literature

AFTER WORK

Dancing
Reading
Hiking
Fashion and Art



Pham

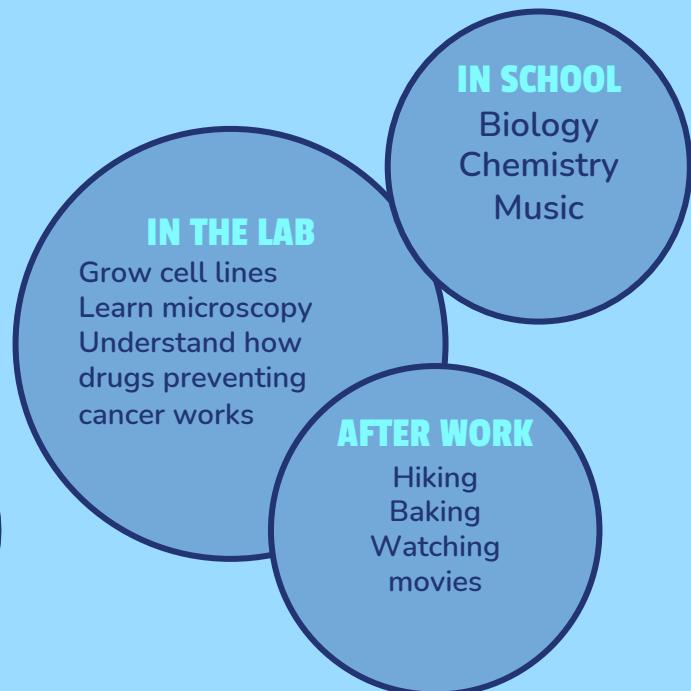


When I was a kid I wanted to be...

singer and teacher

Today I am...

Biologist studying cancer



Ashley



When I was a kid I wanted to be...

vet / teacher / singer / philosopher /
food critic (and more ;))

Today I am...

Biochemist in the making!



IN THE LAB

Learn about and use
CRISPR and
fluorescence!



IN SCHOOL

Science(Chemistry!
and Biochem!)
Computer Science
Psychology
Arts/Music/Design/
Languages

AFTER WORK

Reading! Eating!
Watching
shows!
Exploring!
Solving puzzles!
Snuggling my
dog!





Soha Khan

When I was a kid I wanted to be...

Many things, including a firefighter, doctor, president, etc...

Today I am...

A 4th year Biochemistry Major studying to maybe go into Medicine!



IN THE LAB

I am a research assistant helping design plasmid sequences and tagging cells.

IN SCHOOL

I love all subjects! Mainly STEM, History, Political Science

AFTER WORK

Archery
Poetry
Sightseeing
Netflix



McKenna



When I was a kid I wanted to be...

Artist/ Chef/ Doctor/ Scientist/ and so many more

Today I am...

Future Chemist, Researcher and Lab Manager!



IN SCHOOL

Art
Science
Math
English

IN THE LAB

Lab Management
Fluorescent Tagging (CRISPR)
Grow Organoids
Microscopy



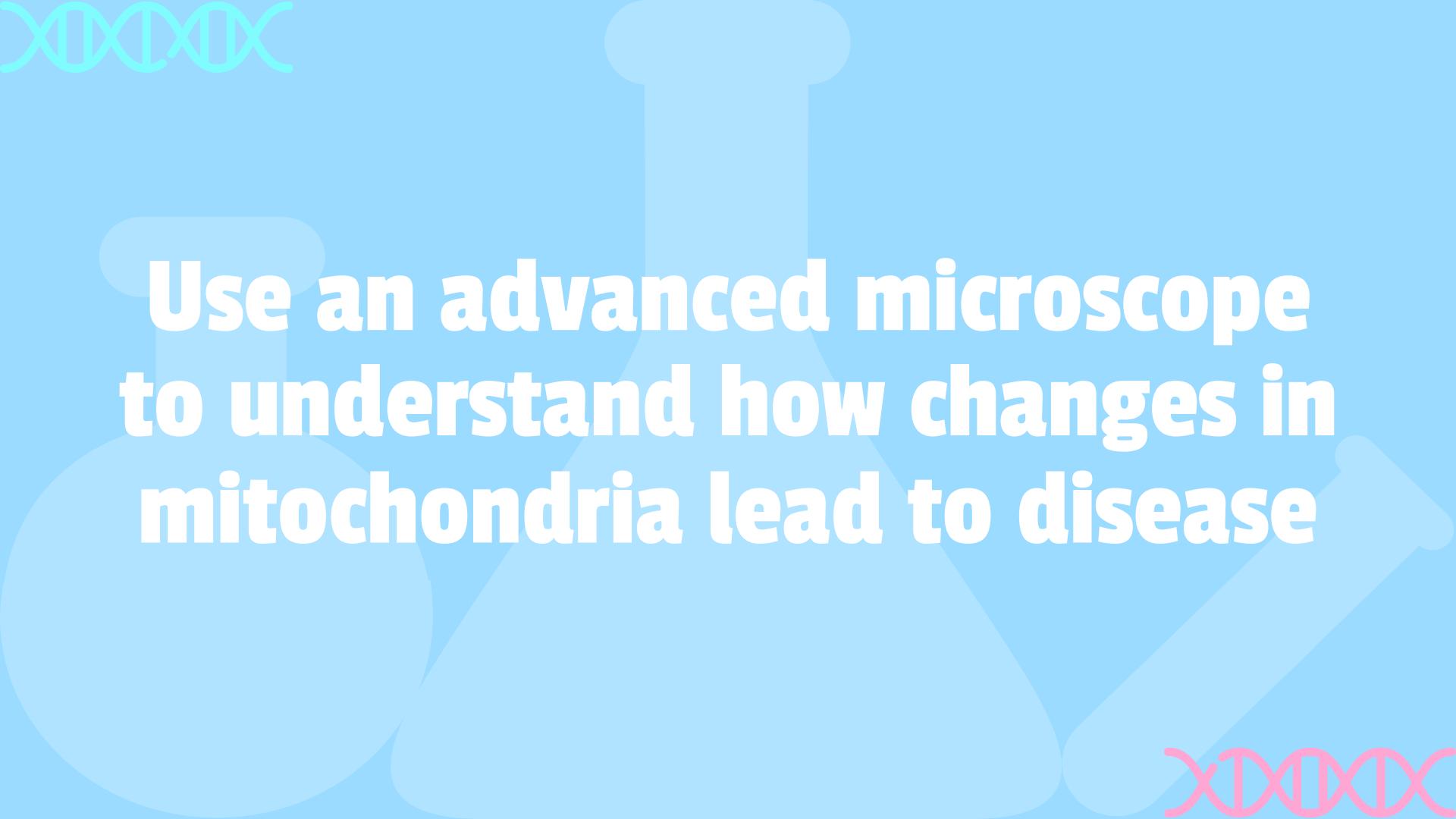
AFTER WORK

Sailing
Arts and Crafts
Horseback Riding
Reading



What do we do?

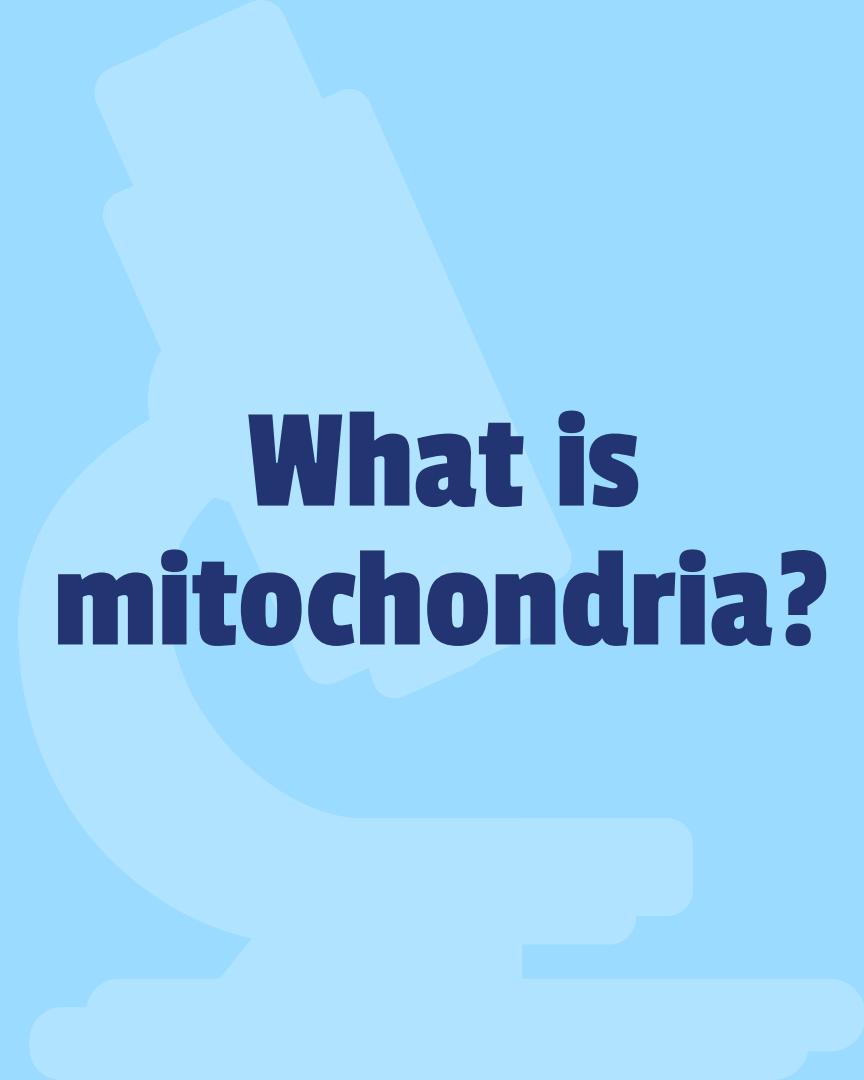




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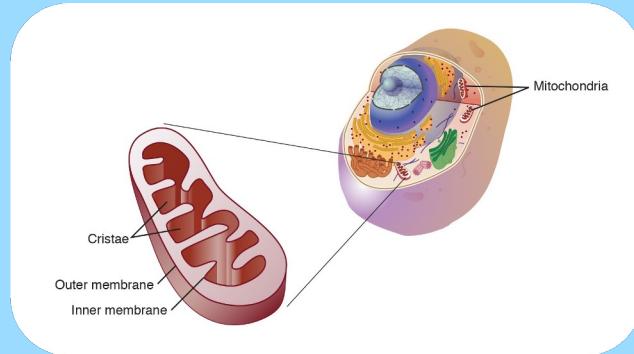
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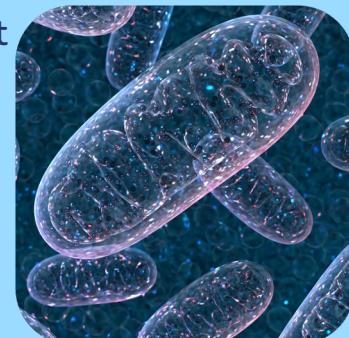
Mitochondria

- Creates energy for the cell to function
- Found all over the cell
- Always moving around

- Mitochondrion (beans) -> mitochondria networks (noodles)
- Combine and separate depending on what happens in the cell



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The Guardian

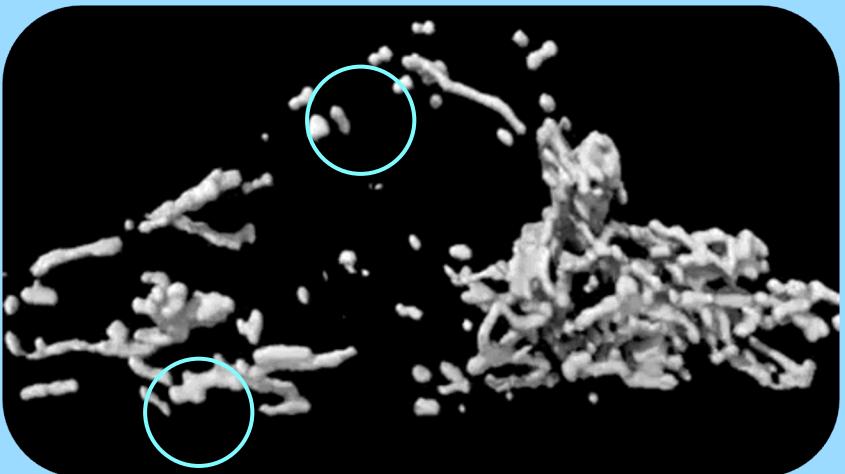


NPR





Mitochondria



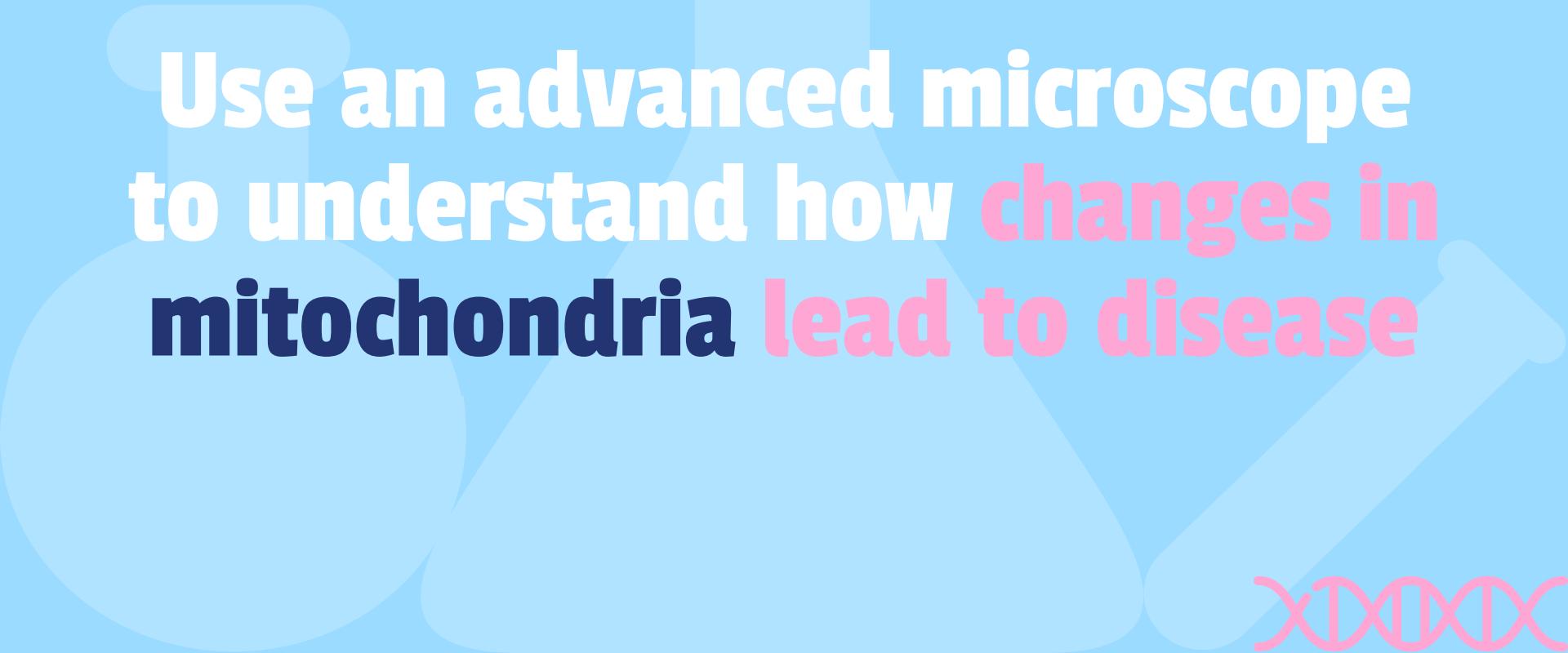
Mitochondria move around the cell to provide energy for different processes

Fusion: Two pieces come together

Fission: Two pieces separate

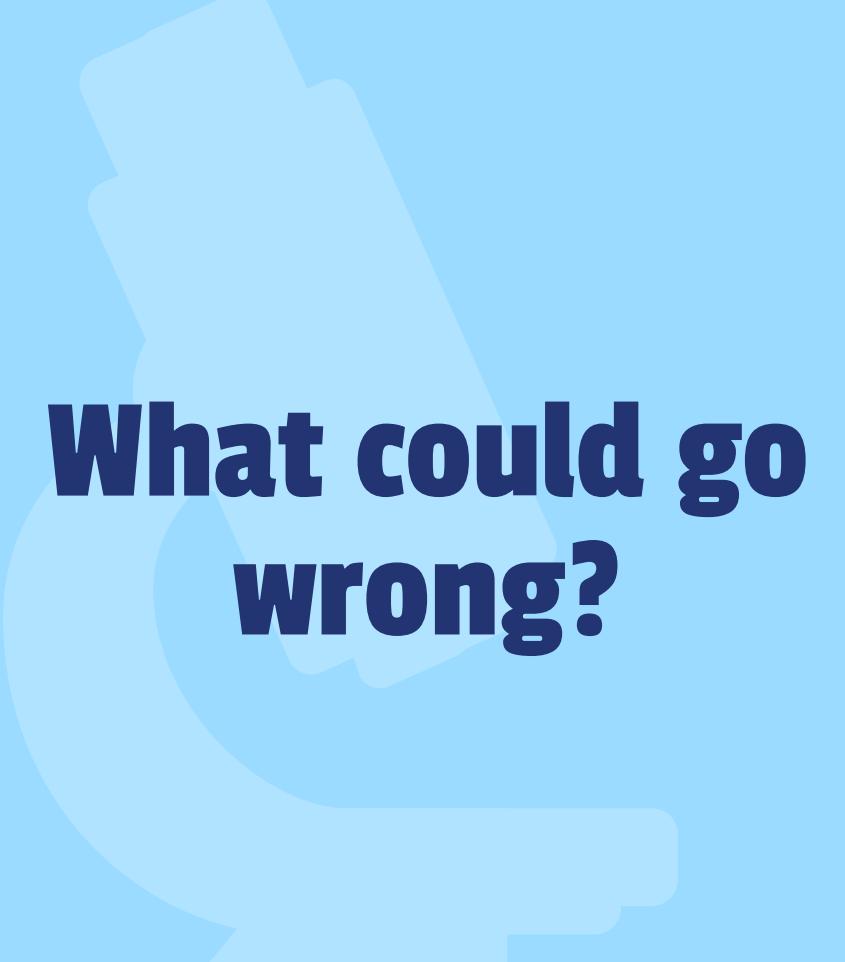
Do you see any fusion or fission?





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**What could go
wrong?**





If mitochondria don't work

Without energy, cells cannot do what they need to do

Changes in the mitochondria lead to many diseases

Brain

Trouble with remembering, moving around

Eye

Losing sight

Heart

Hard for the heart to pump blood around the body

Lung

Trouble with breathing, swallowing

Muscles

Weak muscles, hard to exercise

Bones

Weak bones might break easier

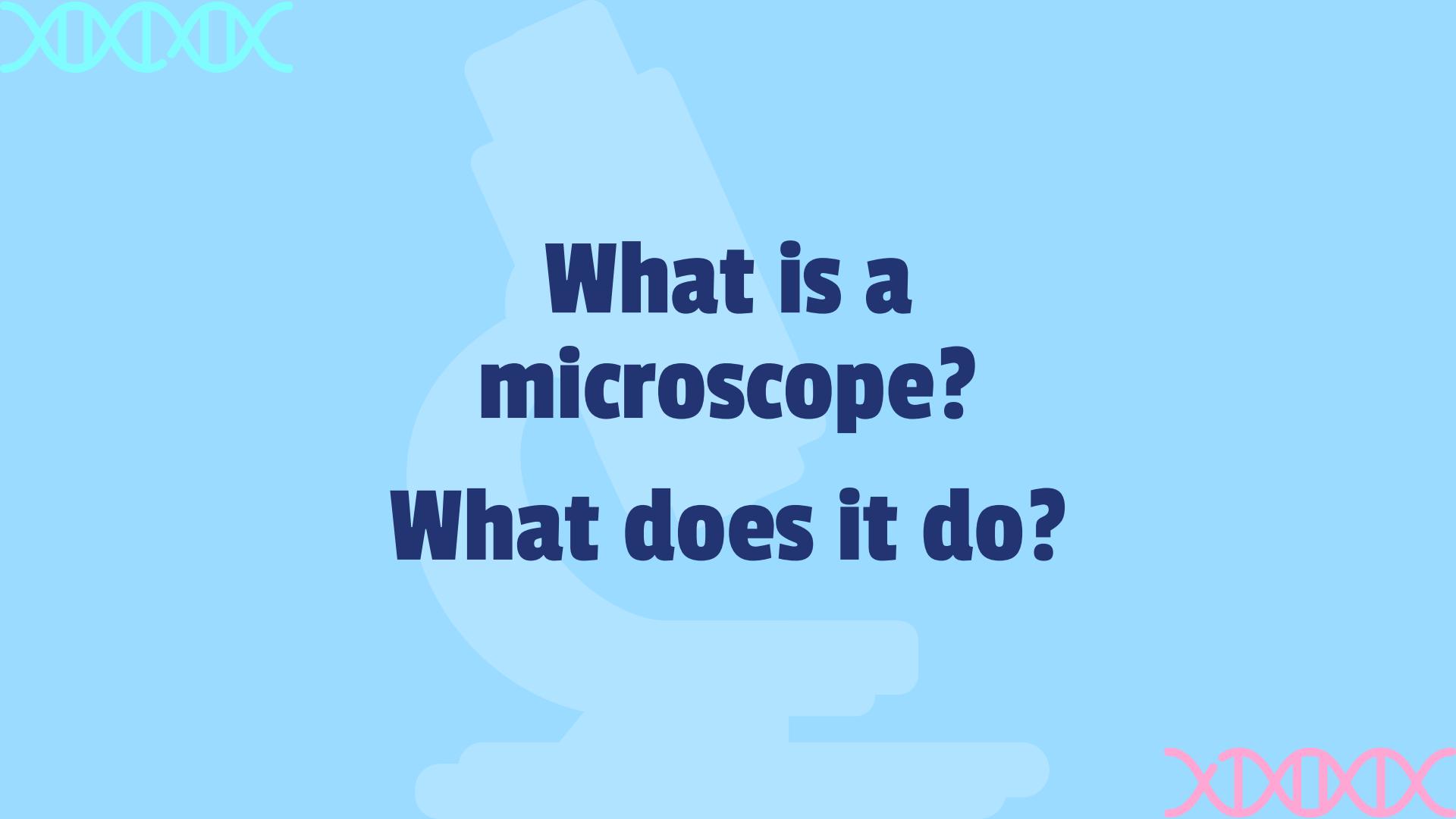
Intestine

Very painful, hard to eat and move around





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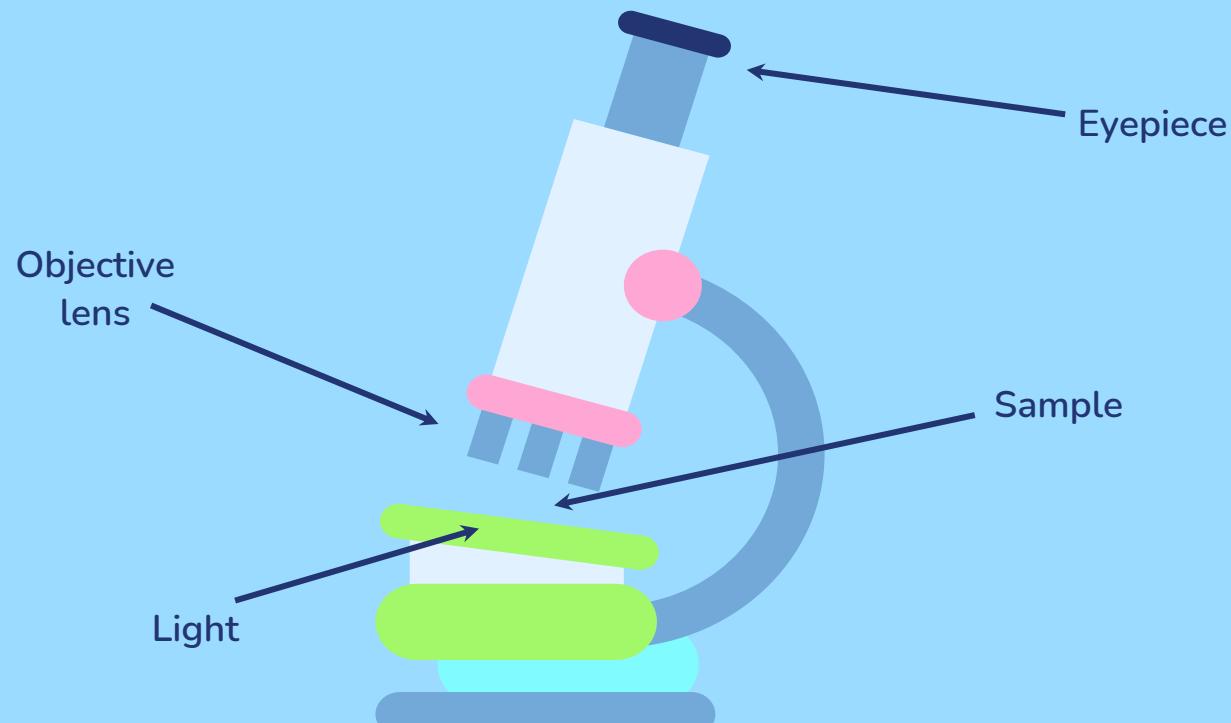


**What is a
microscope?**

What does it do?



What is a microscope?

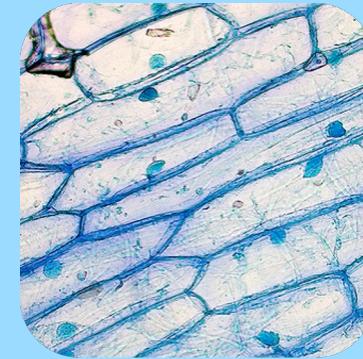




What does a microscope do?



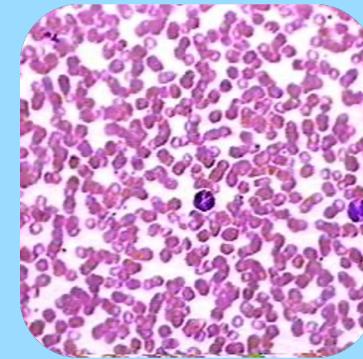
→ Leaf



→ Onion



→ Hair

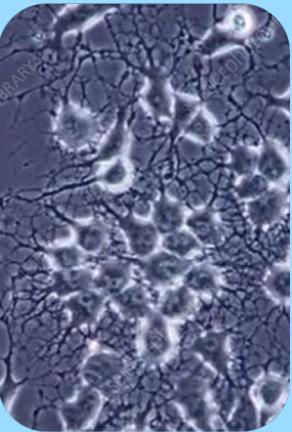
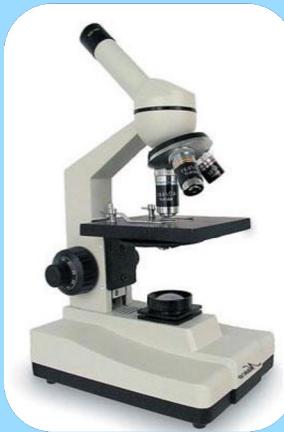


→ Blood

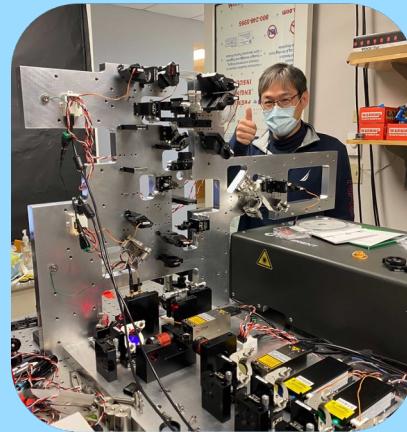




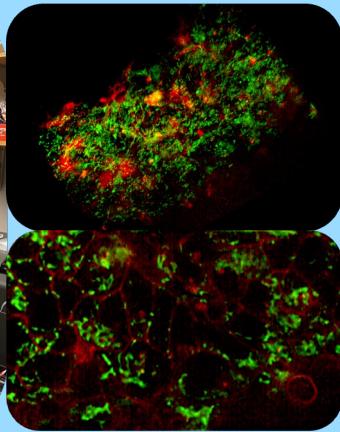
Advanced microscope



Basic Light Microscope



Our Advanced Microscope





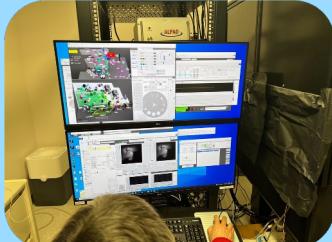
Adaptive optics lattice light-sheet microscope

Our microscope is much bigger... and can do much more!

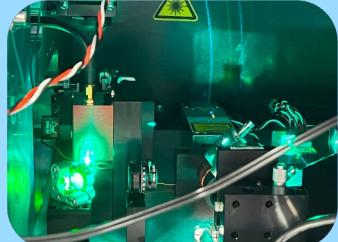
We can look at

- Stuff in 3D
- Live cells
- Tiny parts of the cell moving

Eyepiece



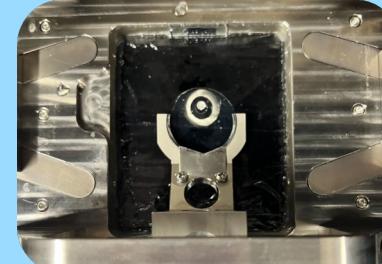
Light



Objective lens

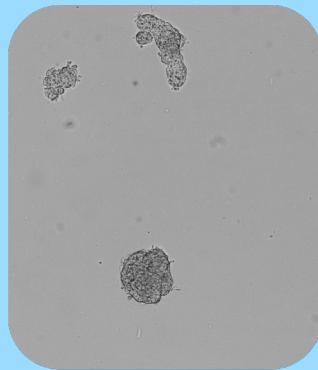


Sample

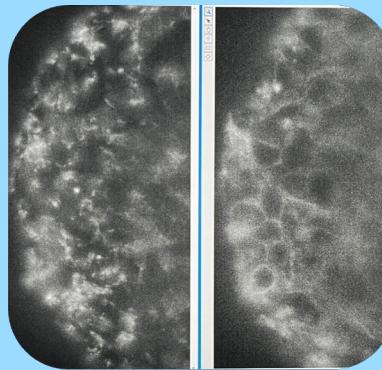




What does our microscope do?



Mitochondria Cell outline



Intestines



What's the
difference???

We don't know yet

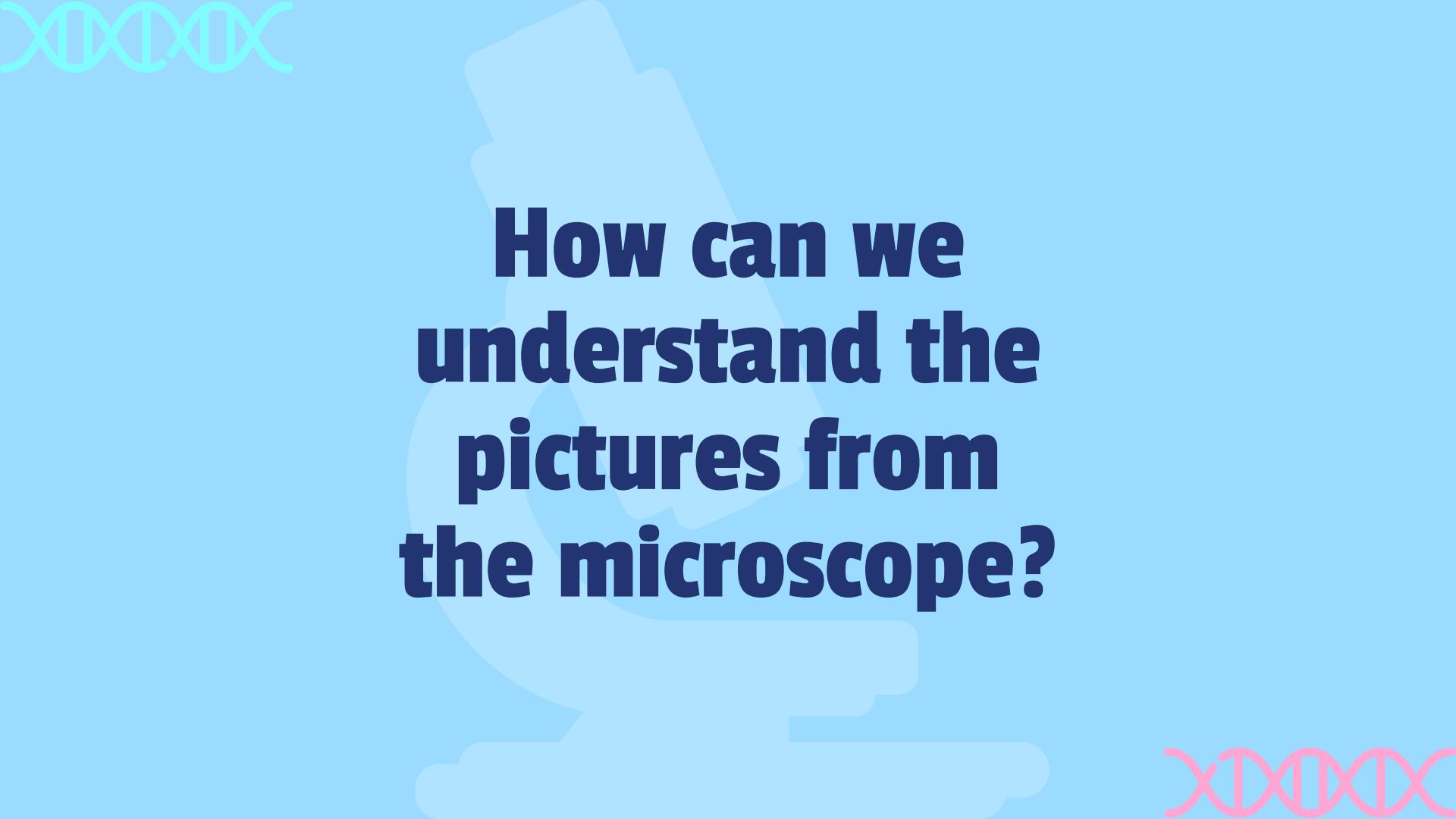


Brain





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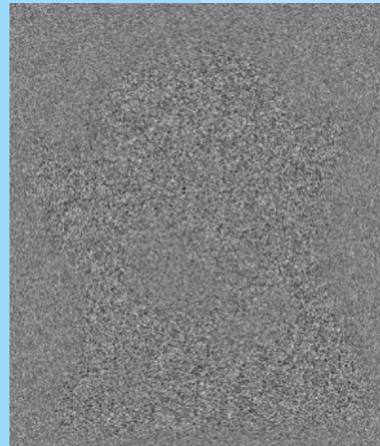
How can we understand the pictures from the microscope?



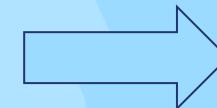
Noisy pictures



Noisy image



Noise



$(\text{Noisy image}) - (\text{Noise})$
= Clear Image



Clear image





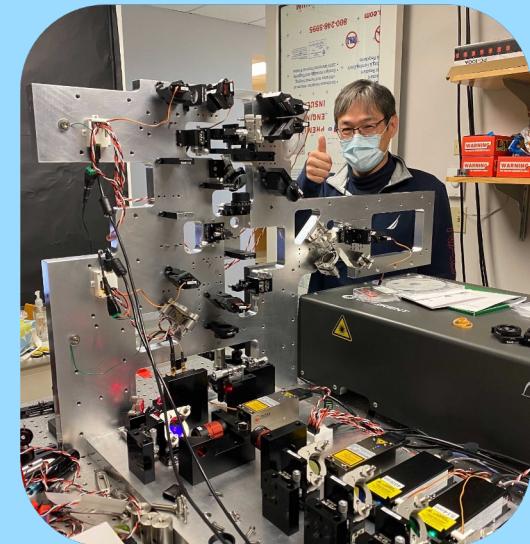
But why are images noisy?

- Photon Noise
- Read Noise



Photographing tiny mitochondria is difficult; even light particles can stand in the way

Camera electronics cause noise, too





How can we make the pictures better?



Noisy image
Human vision

0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1
0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1
0.3	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2
0.4	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.1
0.1	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0	0.1
0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1
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0.1	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2
0.1	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3

Noisy image
Computer vision



Computer performs calculations
Learns to extract a clear image from a noisy one

0	0	0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0	0	0
0	0	0.04	0.09	0.18	0.07	0.06	0	0
0	0.02	0.08	0.04	0.08	0.04	0.08	0.07	0
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0	0.04	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.04	0
0	0.04	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.02
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Clear image
Computer vision



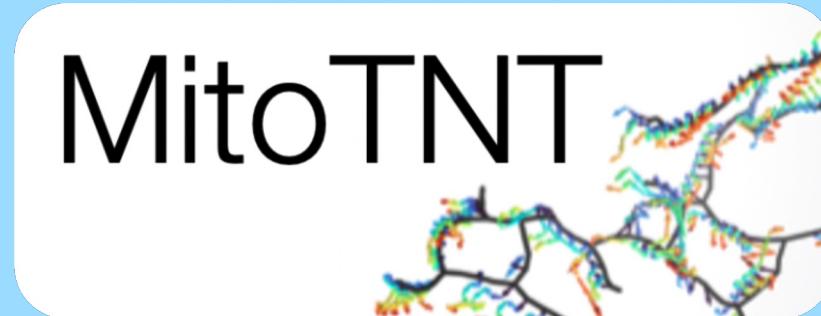
Clear image
Human vision





What's actually happening?

- Computers are very smart
- If we tell them what to look for, they tell us what they find
- We tell them:
 - Look for where the mitochondria goes
 - Look for fusion
 - Look for fission





What do we do?





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- 1. Grow sample**
 - 2. Image sample**
 - 3. Analyze data**



Let's see how!

