

Introduction to digital images and ImageJ

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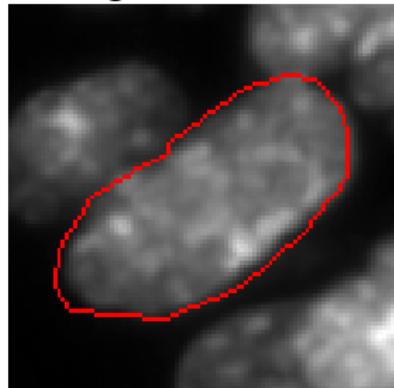
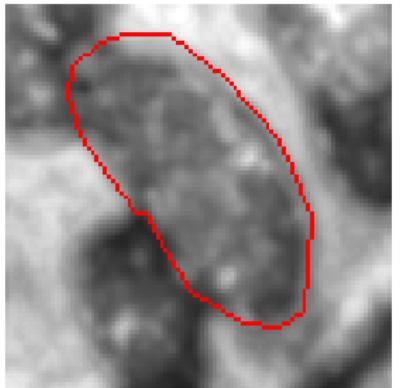
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Which nucleus is brighter?



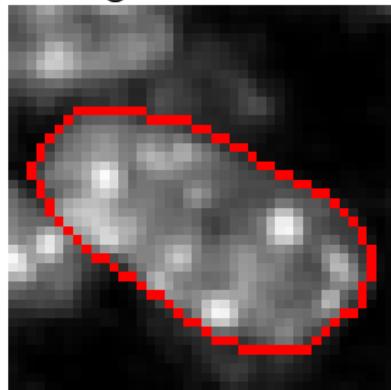
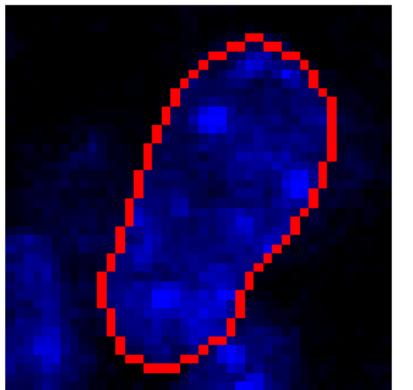
Can we trust the human eye?



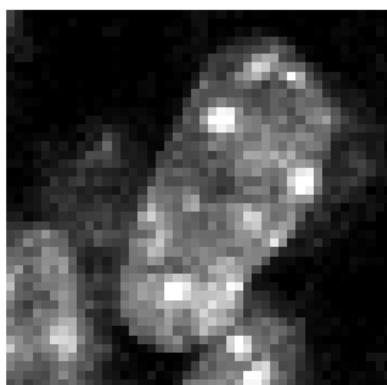
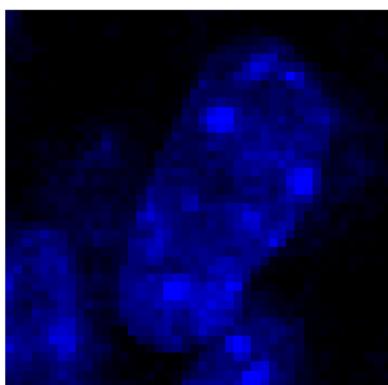
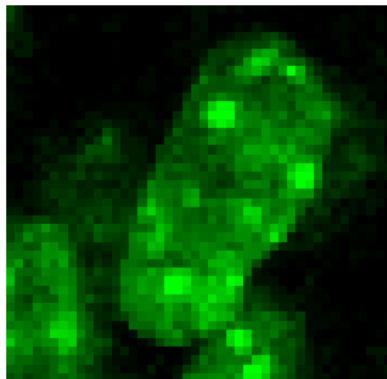
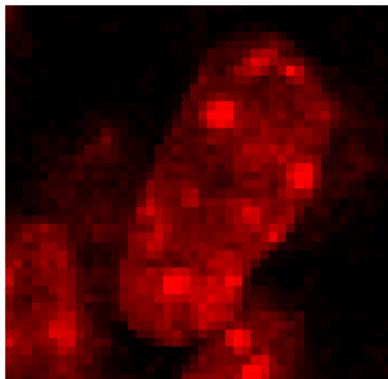
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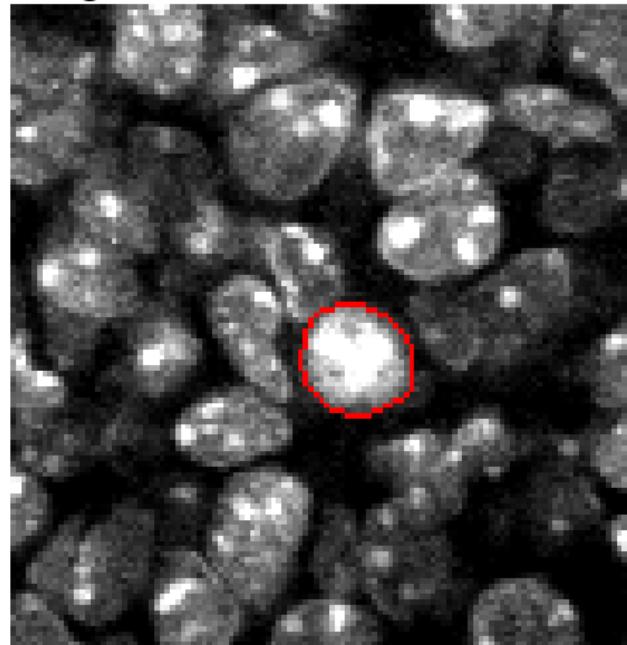
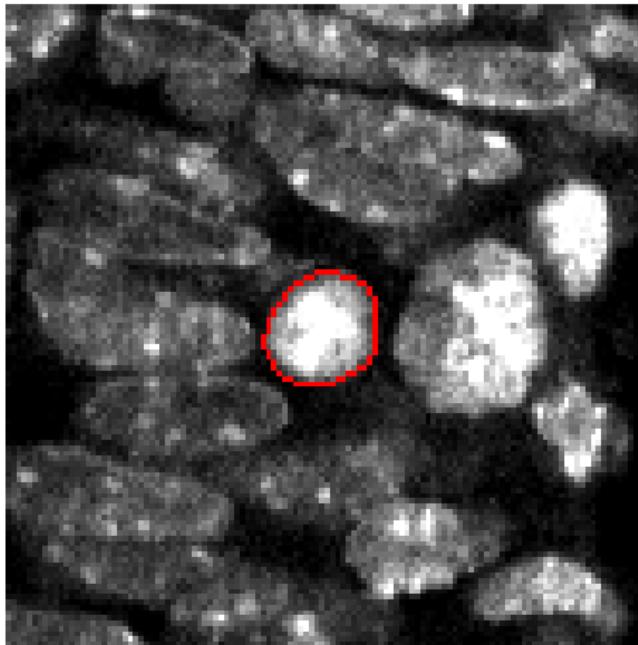
Which nucleus is brighter?



Can we trust the human eye?



Which nucleus is larger?



Can we trust the human eye?

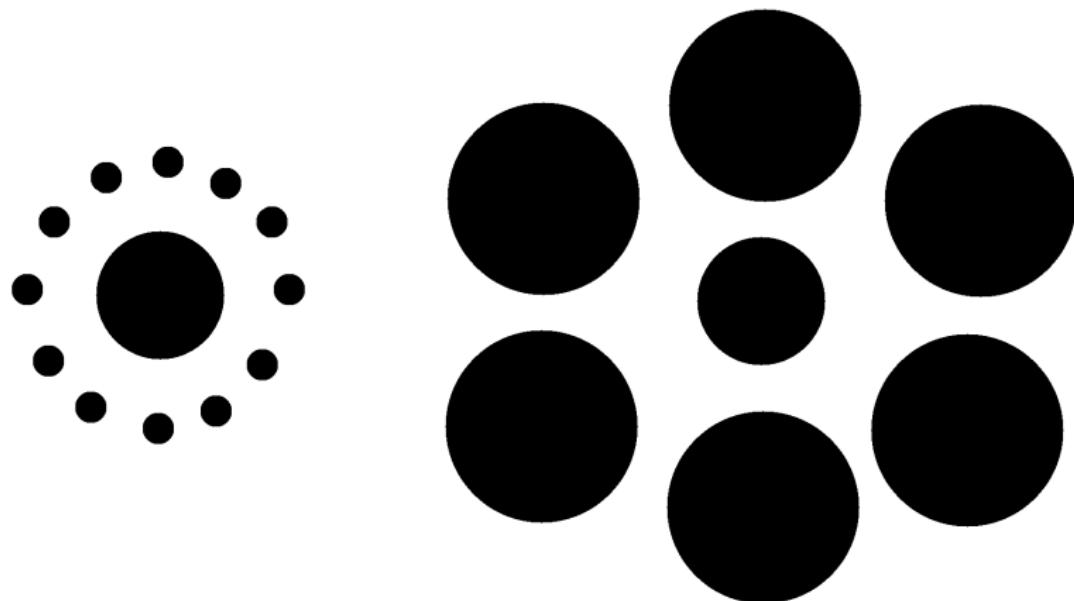


Image quantification

Image quantification is:

- **Unbiased**
- **Reproducible**
- **Fast**
- Appropriate to process a **very high number** of images

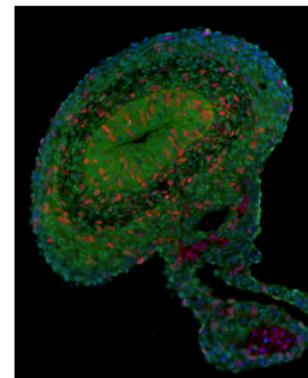
Object



Imaging system



Image



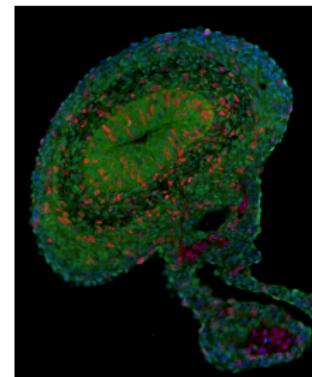
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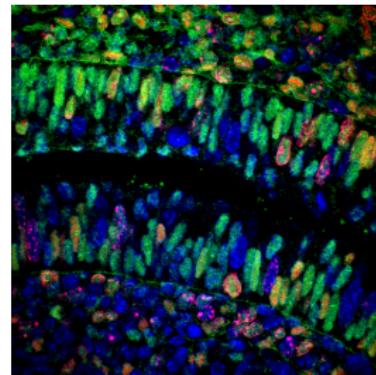
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Detection system



Digital image



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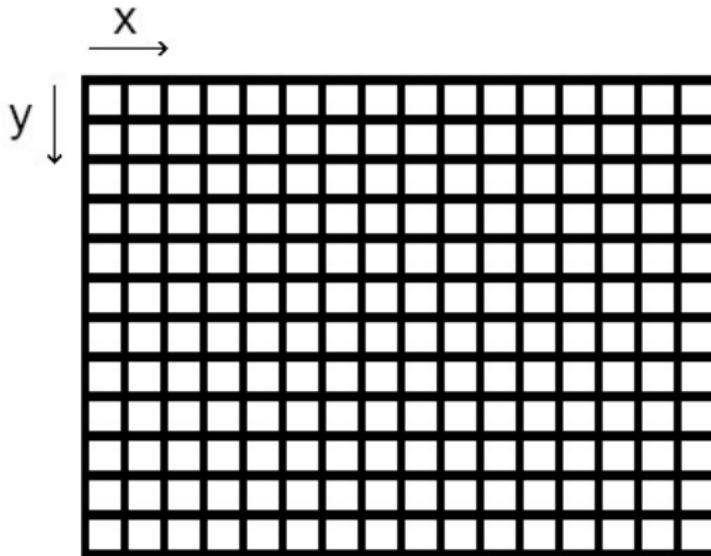
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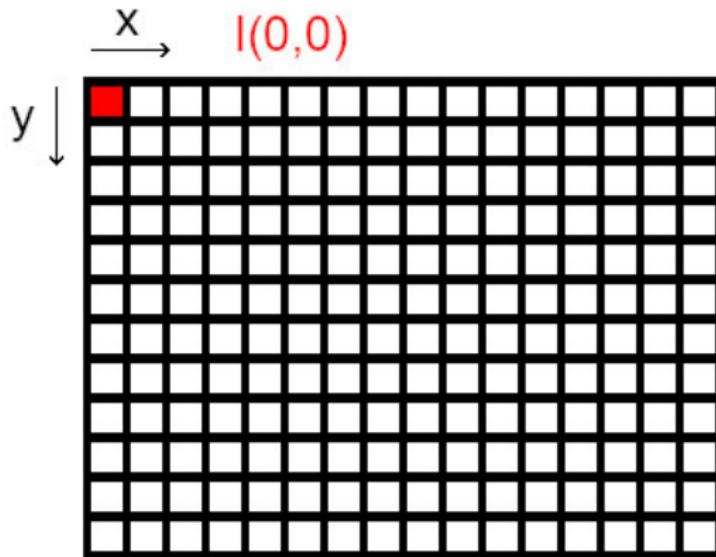
Digital image

A **digital image** is composed of **pixels** (picture elements)



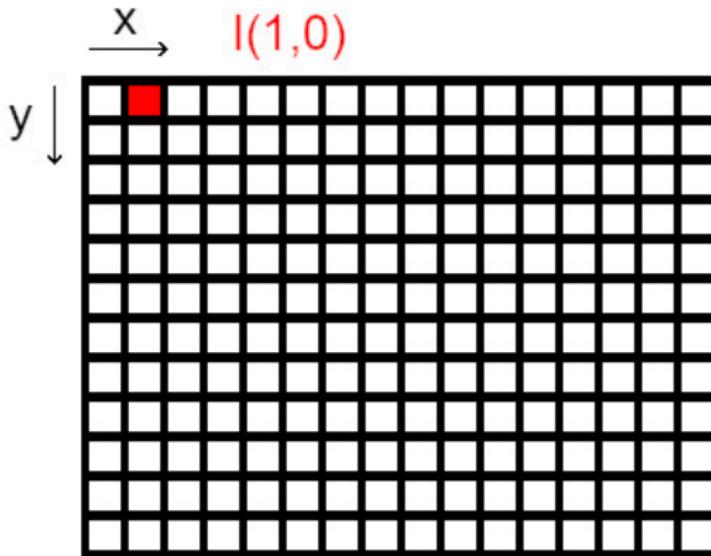
Digital image

Intensity observed at pixel of **coordinates** $x=0$ and $y=0$



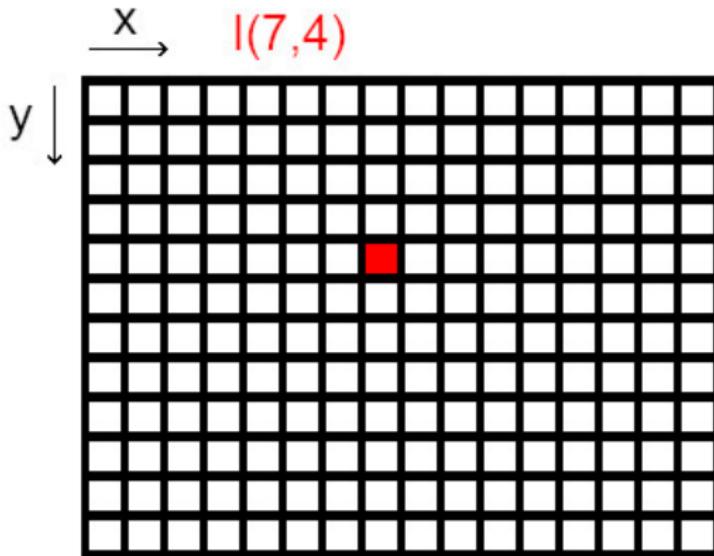
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Intensity observed at pixel of **coordinates** $x=1$ and $y=0$



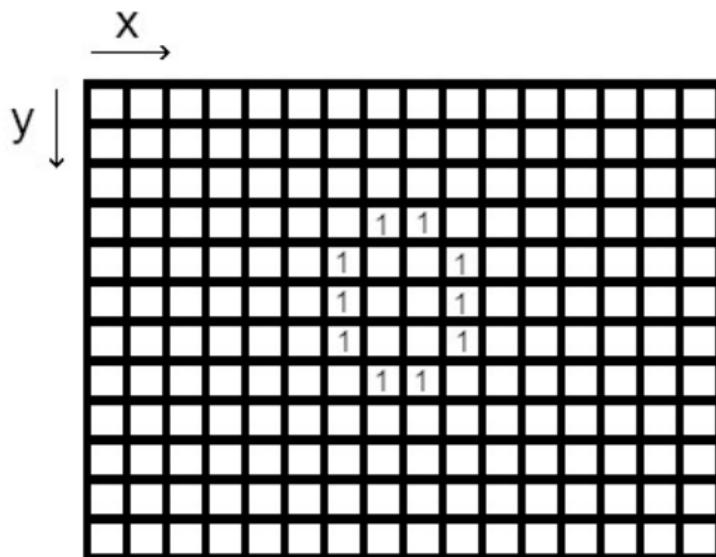
Digital image

Intensity observed at pixel of **coordinates** $x=7$ and $y=4$

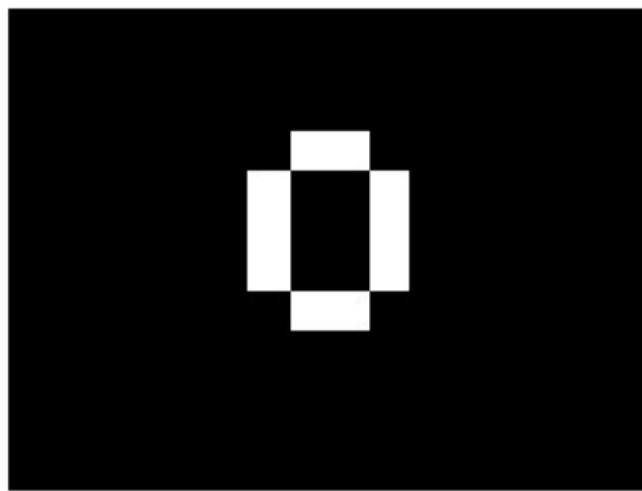


Digital image

Let us consider a **binary** image where 0 corresponds to black and 1 to white



Digital image



Digital image

- A **digital image** is a **rastered** image
- **Discrete intensity** are observed at each **pixel**
- A digital image can be viewed as a **matrix of intensities**
- **Mathematical operations** are applied to extract **salient information**

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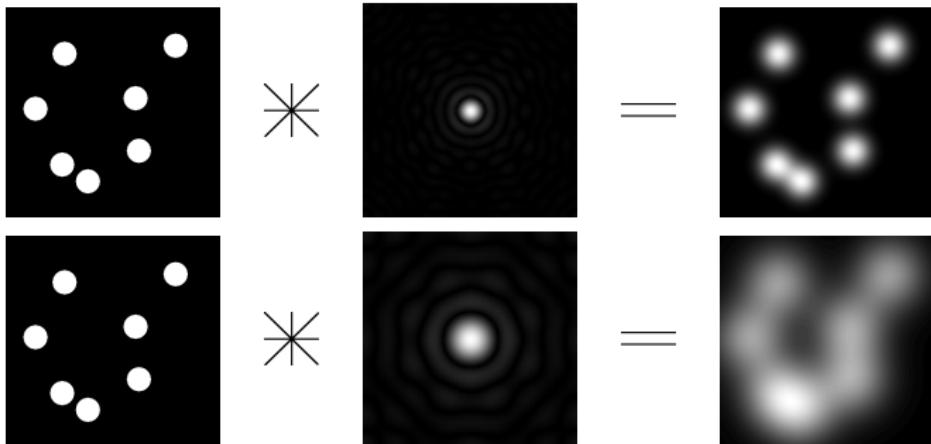
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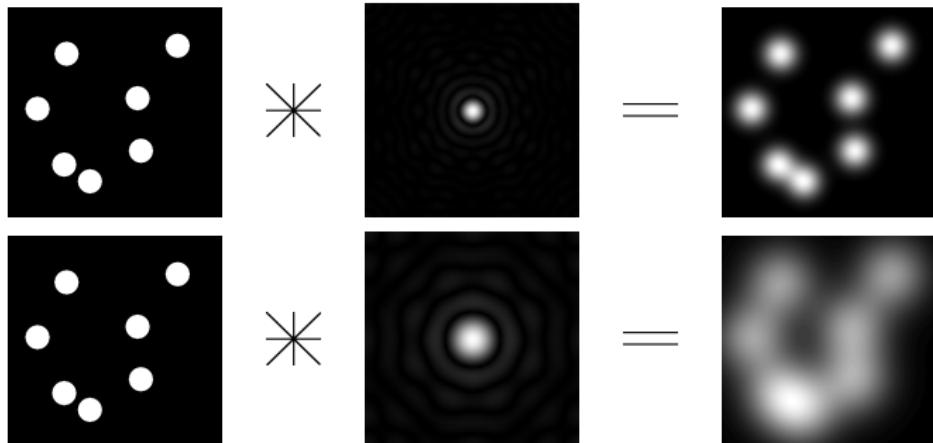
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Spatial sampling



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The **Rayleigh criterion** gives the **minimal distance** to identify two close objects:

$$d = \frac{0.61\lambda}{n \sin(\theta)}$$

where λ is the wavelength and $n \sin(\theta)$ is the **numerical aperture**

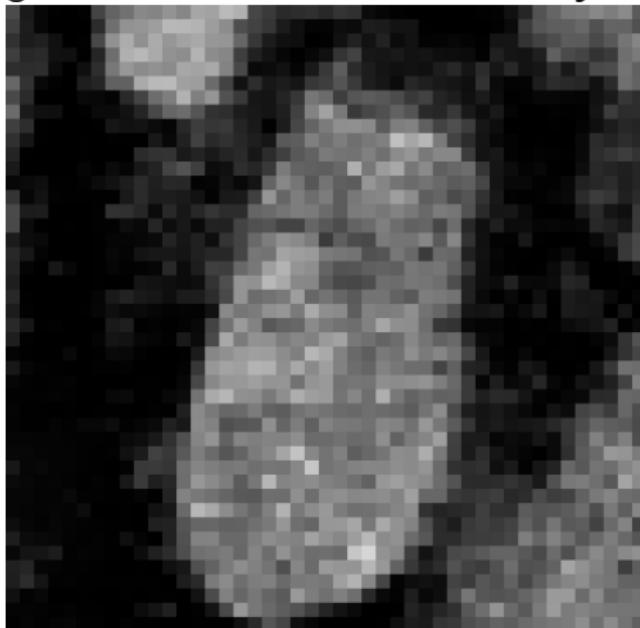
Intensity sampling

1 bit image: $2^1 = 2$ values for intensity at each pixel



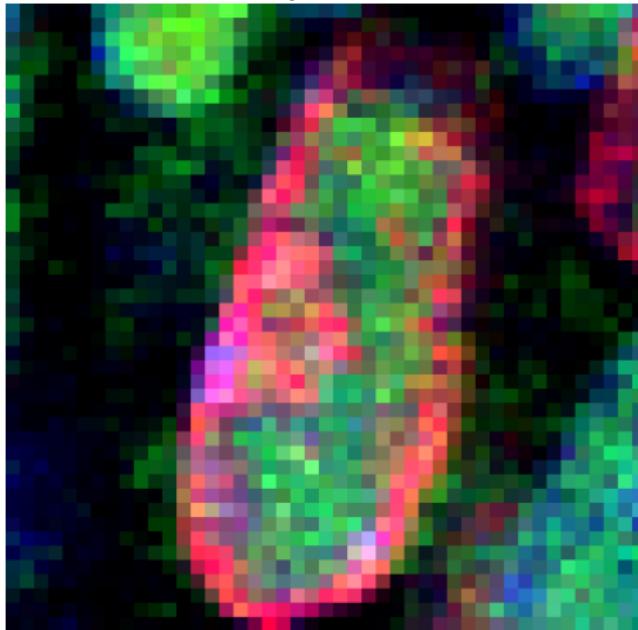
Intensity sampling

8 bits image: $2^8 = 256$ values for intensity at each pixel



Intensity sampling

24 bits image: $2^8 = 256$ **values for intensity** for the 3 channels at each pixel



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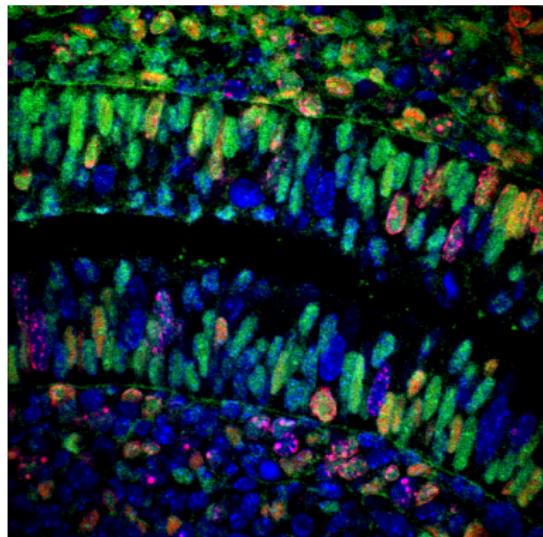
Lossless compression:

- TIFF (Tagged Image File Format), includes **metadata**
- PNG (Portable Network Graphic)
- HDF5 (Hierarchical Data Format)

Lossy compression:

- JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group)

PNG



JPEG

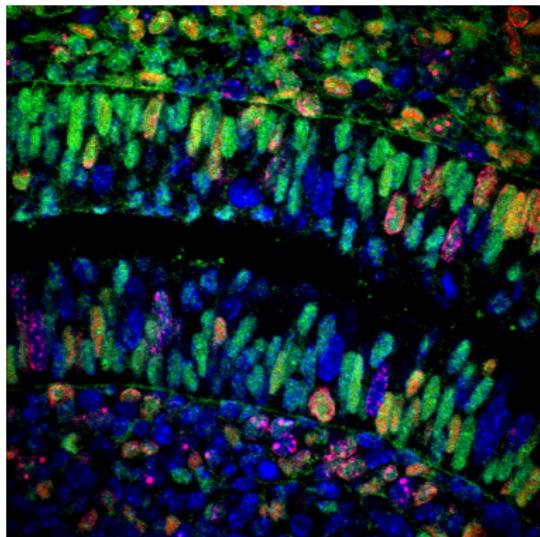
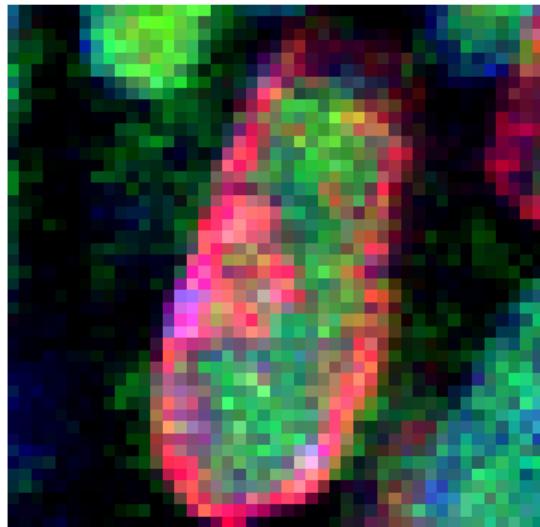
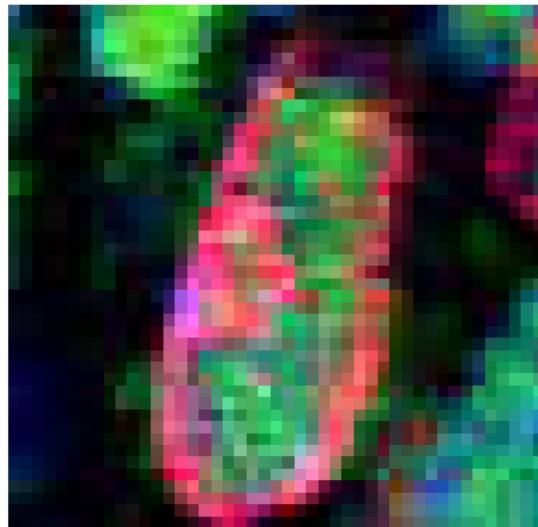


Image available at <https://doi.org/10.17632/5r6kf37zd4.1>

PNG



JPEG



12 bits image saved as PNG



12 bits image save as TIFF

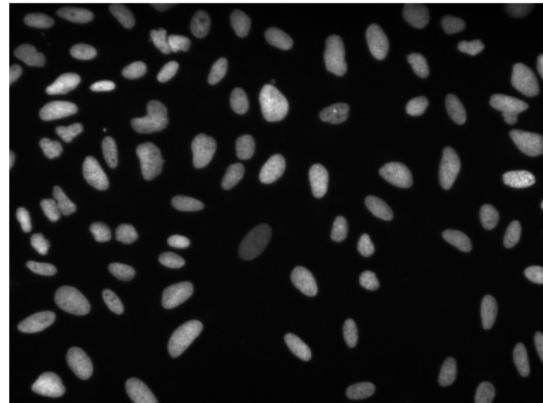


Image available at

<https://data.broadinstitute.org/bbbc/BBBC039/images.zip>

File format

- Store **raw data**
- Use TIFF images for **analysis**
- Use PNG or JPEG images for **presentations**

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Fiji: an open-source platform for biological-image analysis

Johannes Schindelin, Ignacio Arganda-Carreras, Erwin Frise, Verena Kaynig, Mark Longair, Tobias Pietzsch, Stephan Preibisch, Curtis Rueden, Stephan Saalfeld, Benjamin Schmid, Jean-Yves Tinevez, Daniel James White, Volker Hartenstein, Kevin Eliceiri, Pavel Tomancak & Albert Cardona

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Easy to Use

Fiji is easy to use and install—in one click, Fiji installs all of its plugins, features an automatic update, and includes comprehensive documentation.



Powerful

Fiji bundles together many popular and useful ImageJ plugins for image analysis into one integrated, user-extensible interface that eliminates dependencies and conflicts.



Free & Open Source

Like ImageJ itself, Fiji is an open source project hosted on GitHub, developed and written by the community.

Topic	Profiles	Views	Activity
Macro runs with no output ► ImageJ 1 version: 1.52, viewing, macro	4	27	13m
Problem with Ossy Script ► Development: 10, image, imagej, group	2	16	20m
Request for assistance in determining pipeline to threshold a low contrast image ► Analysis: 10, analysis, segmentation, thresholding	1	14	2h
Saving BigDataViewer Slices into bigdataviewer.hdf5 ► Development: 10, image, imagej, hdf5	5	28	3h
QIJOIUser: loading to arrayviewer/bounds/description ► ImageJ 1 version: 1.52, viewing, macro, mrc	1	17	5h
Automated and Fiji Legacy ► ImageJ 1 version: 1.52, 1.53, 1.54, 1.55, legacy, macro, scripting	1	14	5h
Get/fix a macro from a macro ► ImageJ 1 version: 1.52, 1.53, 1.54, 1.55	4	48	5h
Which Fiji plugins should be featured on the front page? ► Release: 10, imagej	10	800	8h
Read one-end metadata ► Image Analysis: 10, bioformats, image, plugin, macro	2	10	10h
Radial Intensity Distribution in Fiji/ImageJ ► Image Analysis: 10	2	13	10h
Registration help ► Image Analysis: 10, image, registration	4	20	12h

Practice

<https://youtu.be/wCi5mypkZko>

<https://youtu.be/rYaJRf0Ptw8>

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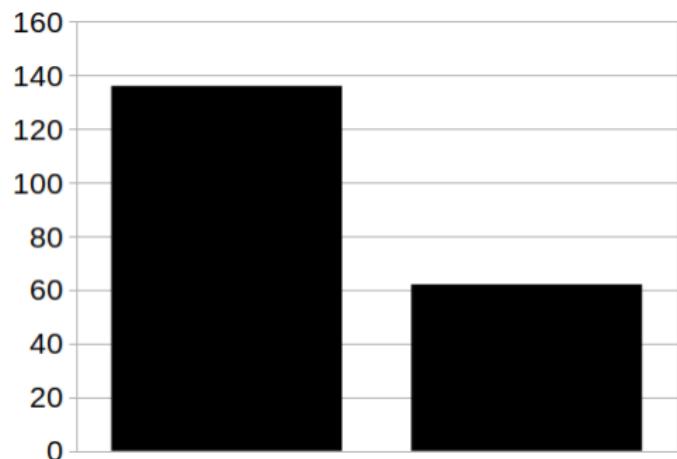
Histogram

136 pixels with intensity equal to **0** and **62 pixels** with intensity equal to **1**

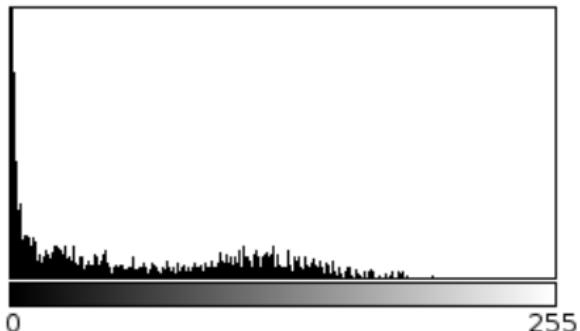
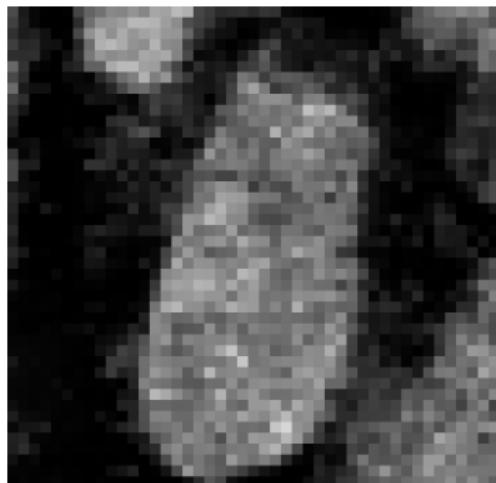


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Histogram



Count: 198000 Min: 0
Mean: 61.328 Max: 214
StdDev: 54.522 Mode: 0 (15300)

Visualization

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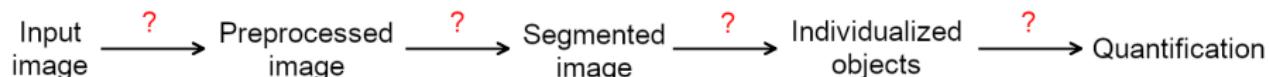
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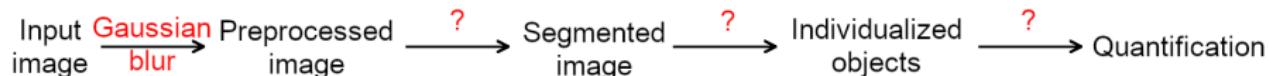
Pipeline

Simple pipeline to segment nuclei



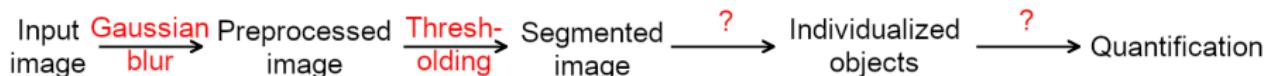
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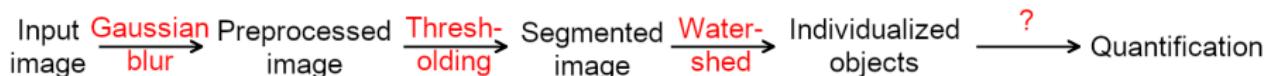
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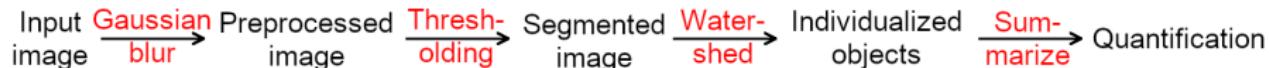
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