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Biophotonics Laboratory
Course

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INTRODUCTION

All information about the course can be found at:

Classroom

Code s5j6sg5

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTYyOTYwNjc2ODEy?cjc=s5j6sg5>

SAPIENZA E-Learning Portal

<https://elearning.uniroma1.it/course/view.php?id=11733>

Teacher's Webpage

<https://www.sbai.uniroma1.it/~francesco.michelotti/>

Catalogue of the Sapienza Courses:

<https://corsidilaurea.uniroma1.it/en/view-course-details/2020/30429/20200313105820/4c6fea58-fe3f-46ba-8d5f-42376c1b883d/d427ffe7-d71d-4cbd-9c7b-1e640a23a4e5/c5901fdf-21ea-4b68-8045-207b19a86db1/e9833e69-88bc-4c5f-ba8c-0fdbdced57da>

Timetable

The lectures will be held with the following timetable:

Monday 8⁰⁰-10⁰⁰ (Hall 17)

Thursday 08⁰⁰ - 12⁰⁰ (Hall 17)
(SBAI Dept)

SBAI Dept Via A. Scarpa 16
Metro B - Policlinico

Course (6 CFU)

3 → 4 CFU – Lectures in a lecture hall

3 → 2 CFU – Work / Demonstration in a lab

→ Individual laboratory reports → PASS / NO PASS

→ 4 intermediate tests → 4 marks

Average mark > 18 → Skip final written exam

→ Final Stage in a lab → PASS / NO PASS

(2-3 days) and short report (max 15 pages)

→ Written exam → Only if did not pass the intermediate tests

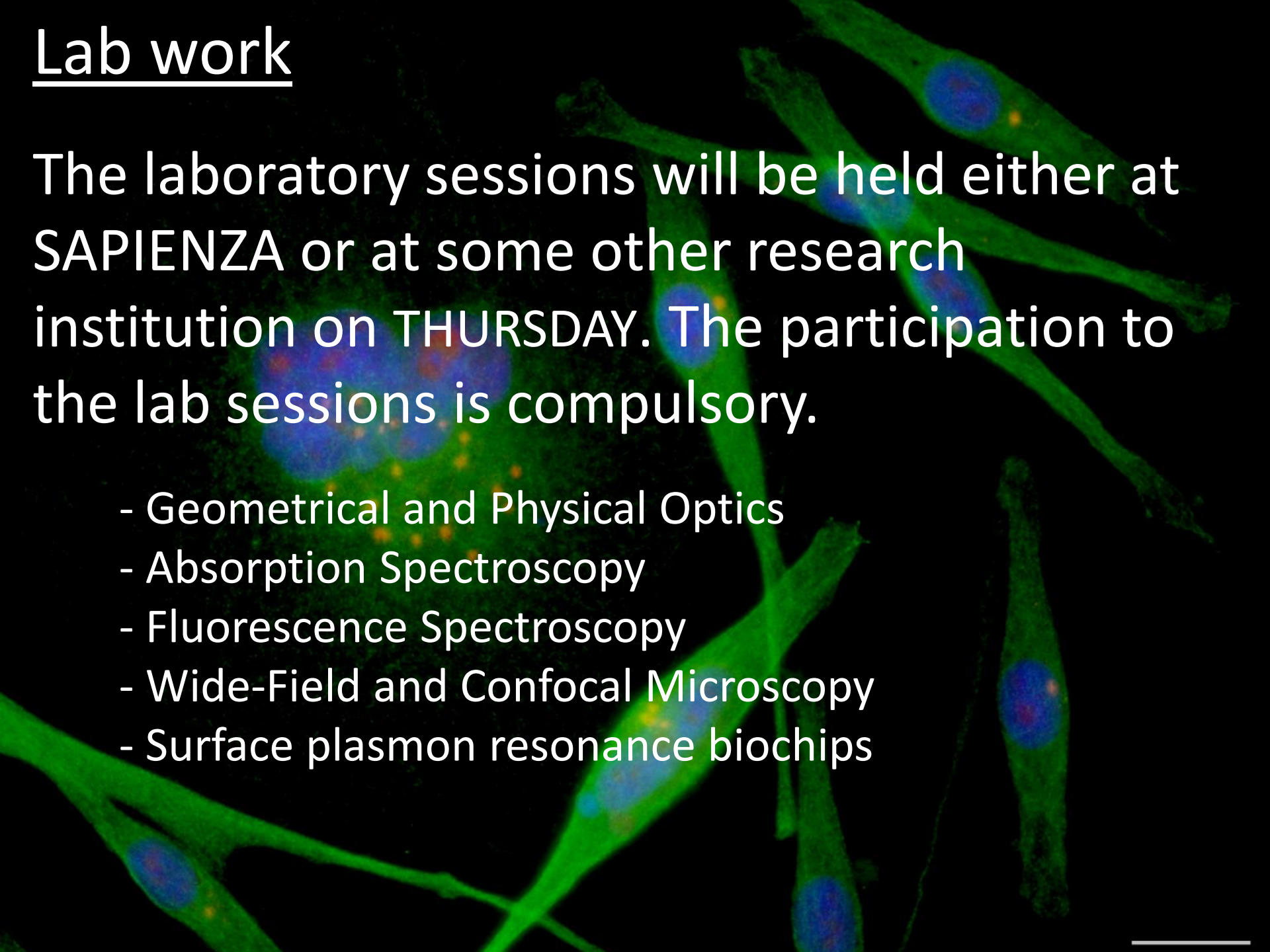
→ Oral colloquium → on the content of the stage (± 3 points)

The exams dates are available on INFOSTUD but extra dates are possible by arrangement with the teacher.

Lab work

The laboratory sessions will be held either at SAPIENZA or at some other research institution on THURSDAY. The participation to the lab sessions is compulsory.

- Geometrical and Physical Optics
- Absorption Spectroscopy
- Fluorescence Spectroscopy
- Wide-Field and Confocal Microscopy
- Surface plasmon resonance biochips

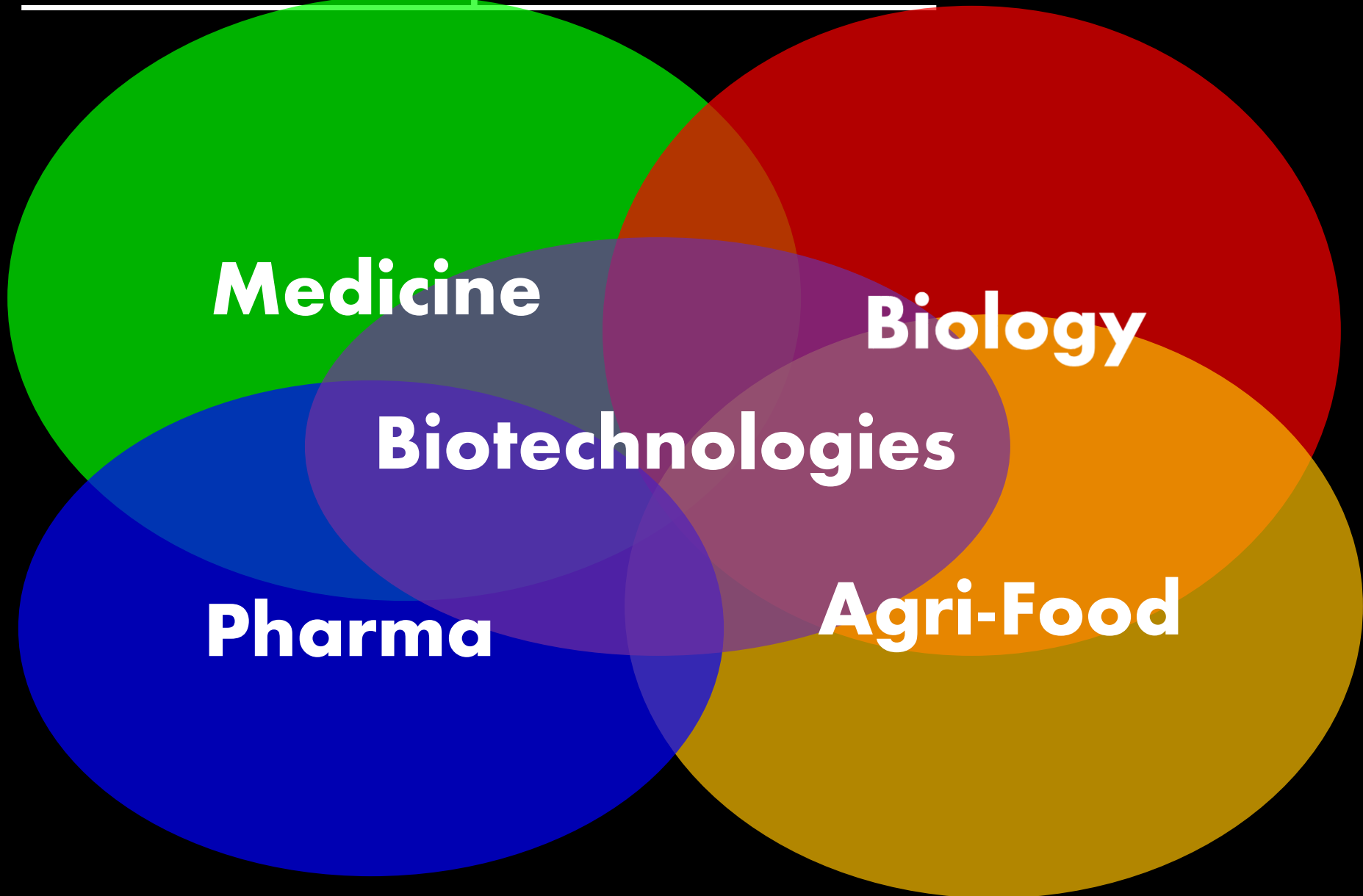


Introduction to the course

The aim of the course is to provide an overview of the most important applications of spectroscopic, optical and photonic techniques in the field of life science.

In particular it will address those techniques that have been already implemented in some integrated photonic device/platform and that can be readily used.

Scientific disciplines involved



Applications of optics and photonics

Among all applications we shall not deal with those that are already extremely well established

Examples

Medicine

Surgery (laser)

Ophtalmology (lenses, laser)

Endoscopy (optical fibres)

Dentistry (laser)

Photodynamic Therapy (laser)

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Biology

Optical microscopy

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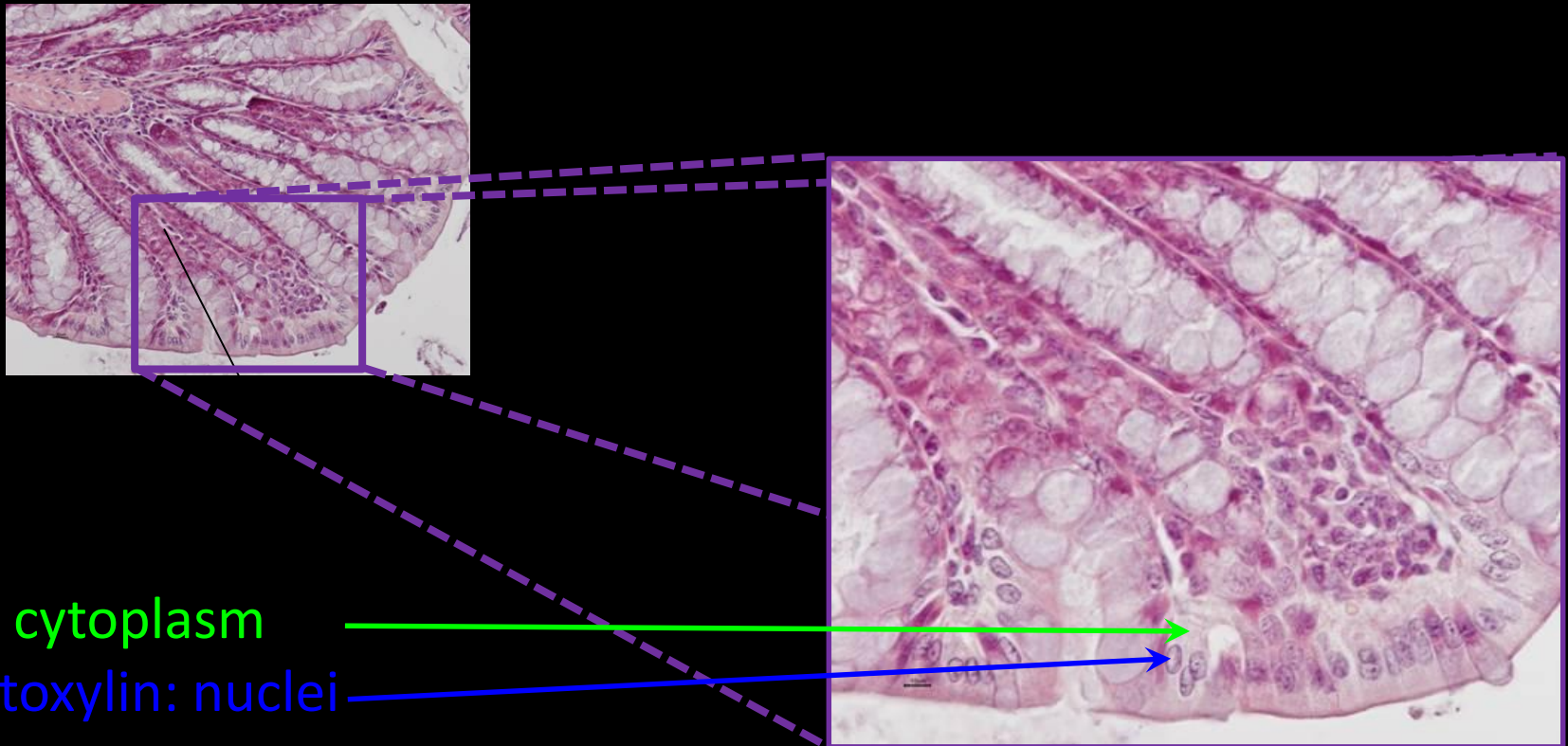
Agri-Food

Polarimetry
(sugar content)

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Example Conventional microscopy with stained tissues



Eosin: cytoplasm

Hematoxylin: nuclei

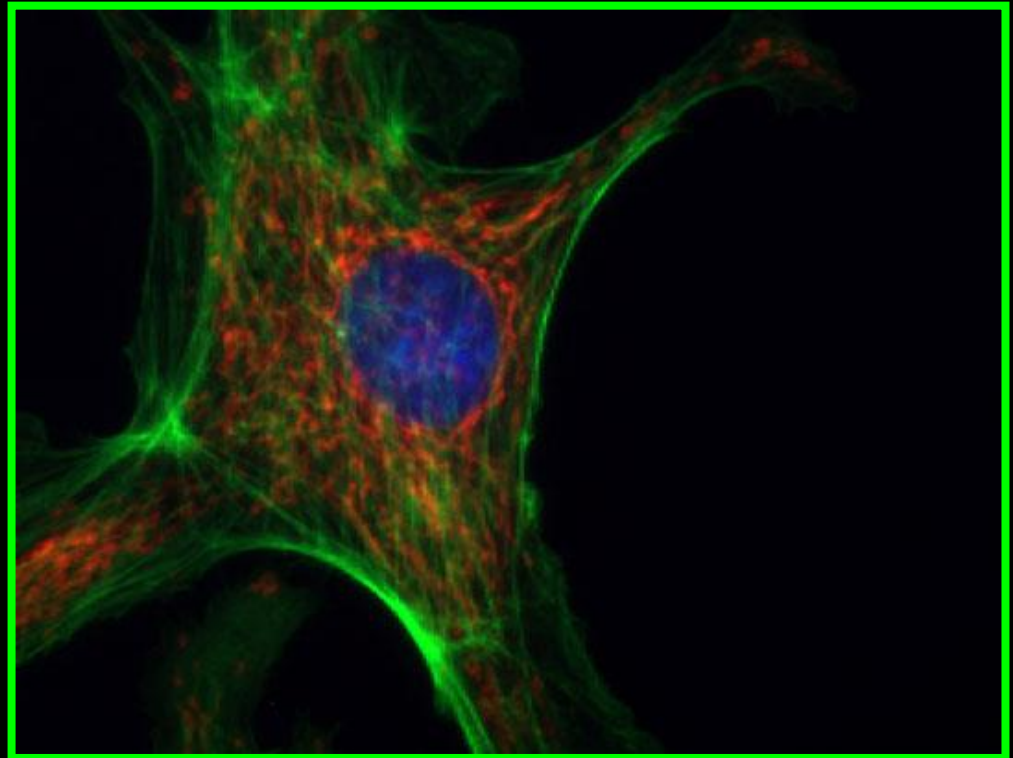
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Example Fluorescence microscopy on cells stained (labelled) with fluorescent molecules.

Endothelial cells stained with fluorescent molecules that bind selectively only to some cellular compartments

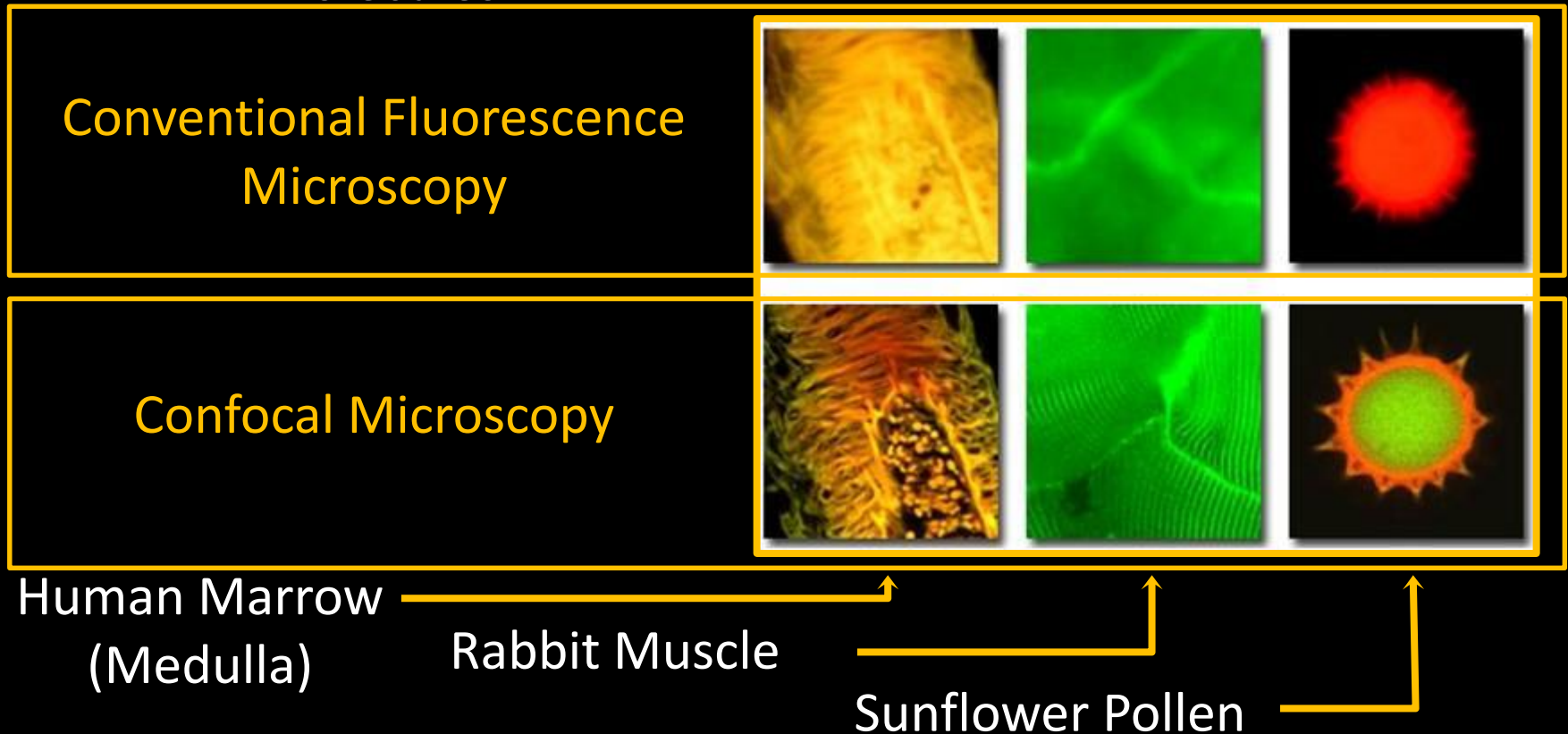
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|-------|-------------------------|
| Red | Mitochondria |
| Green | F-Actin cytoskeleton |
| Blue | Nucleus |



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Example Confocal microscopy on cells labelled with fluorescent molecules

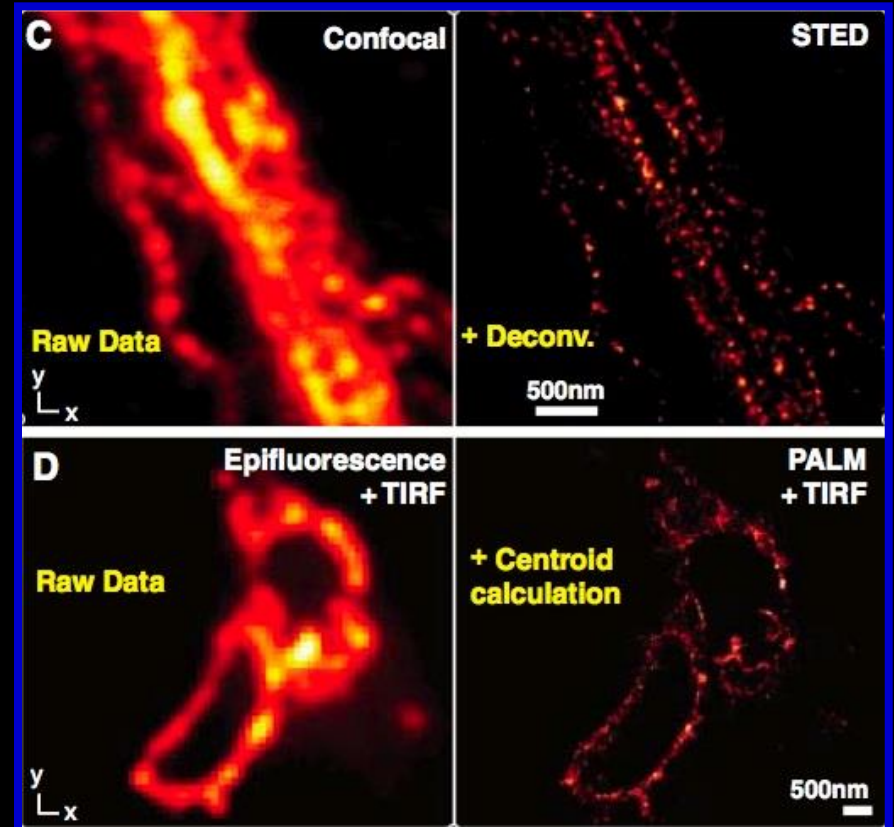


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Example Super-resolution fluorescence microscopy

Comparison Confocal vs STED



Comparison Conv.Micr. vs PALM

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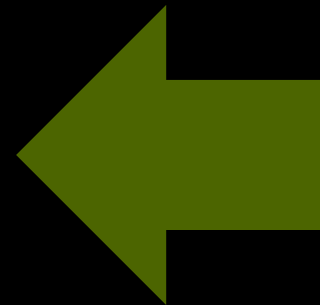
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