

Electron microscopy on cellular and structural biology

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Our equipment

Sample preparation systems

- 3 ultramicrotomes
- 3 cryo-ultramicrotomes
- 2 cryo-substitution systems (AFS)
- 1 plunge freezer
- 1 High pressure freezer
- 1 Critical point dryer
- 2 Metal coaters (Pt, Au/Pd, C)
- 1 cryo-light microscope (Correlative applications)
- and Carbon coaters, evaporators



Ultramicrotomy

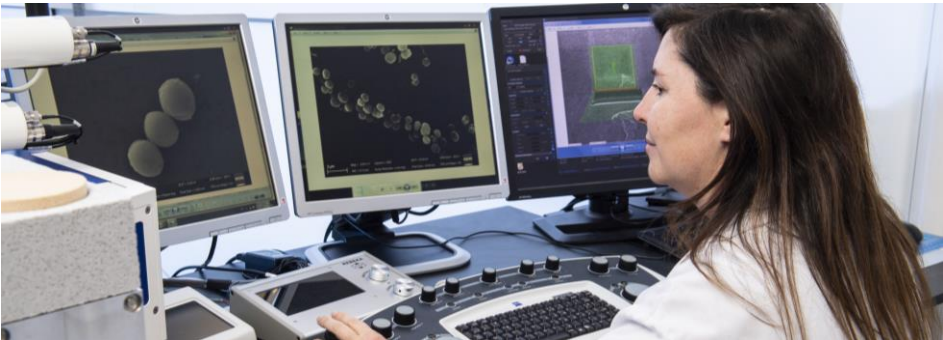
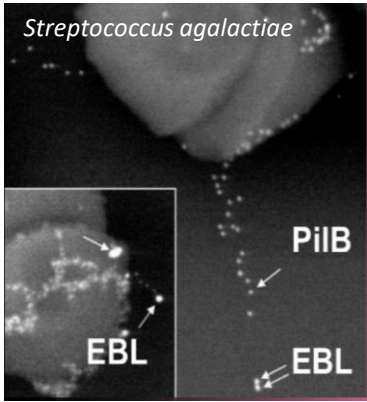
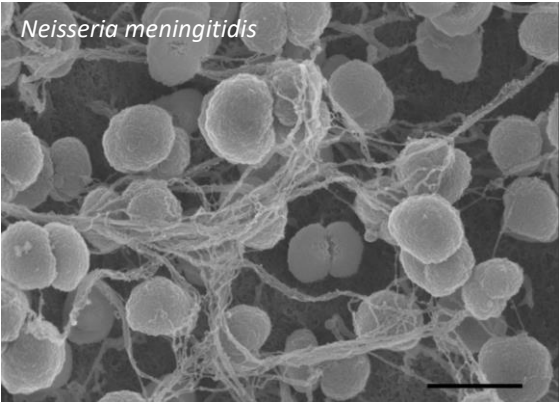
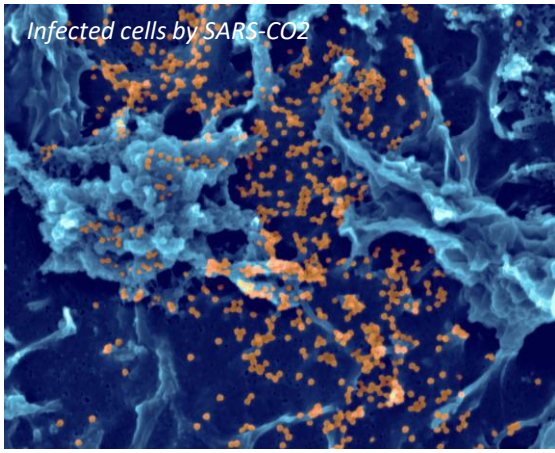
5 Electron microscopes

- 1 Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)
- 1 FIB-SEM (3D applications)
- 1 Transmission Electron Microscope 120kV (TEM, T12)
- 1 Cryo-transmission Electron Microscope 120kV (TEM, T12)
- 1 Cryo-Transmission Electron Microscope 200kV (TEM, F20)

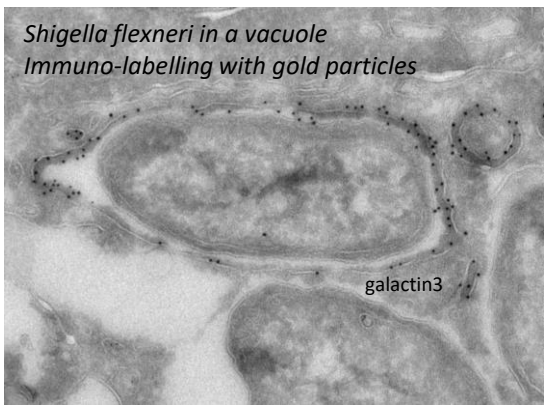
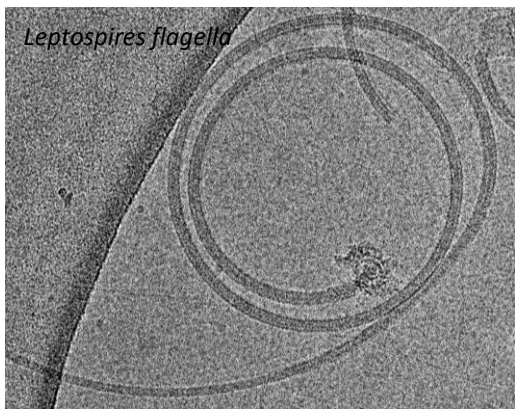
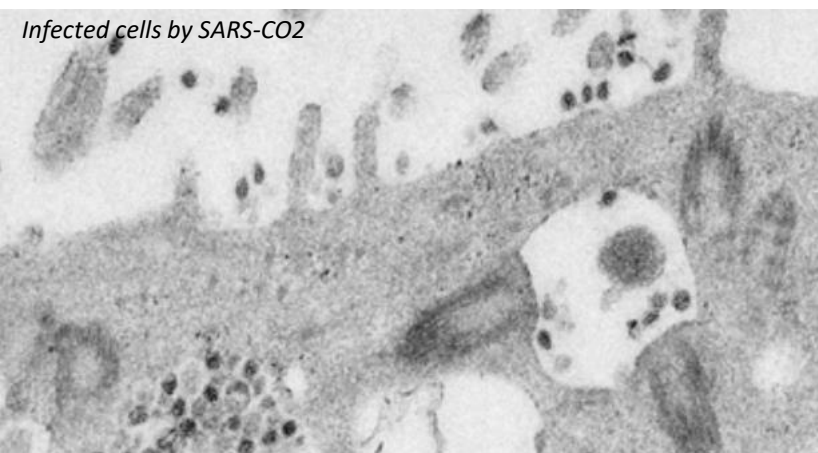


Transmission Electron Microscope

Electron Microscopy on biological samples



Scanning Electron Microscopy



Transmission Electron Microscopy

Correlative Microscopy / Cryo / 3D methods

Our activities : The major research challenges

- ✓ Introduction : CLEM & 3D EM
- ✓ 3D Electron microscopy
 - ssTEM
 - CLEM FIB-SEM
 - Project highlighted : Sars-CoV-2
- ✓ Structural Biology Application
- ✓ Conclusion & Perspectives



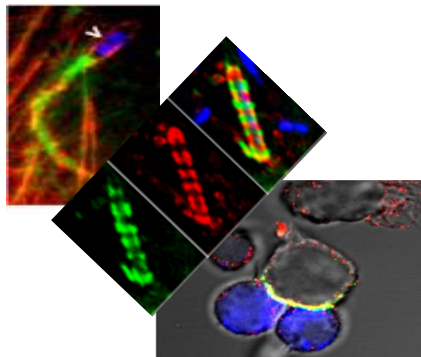
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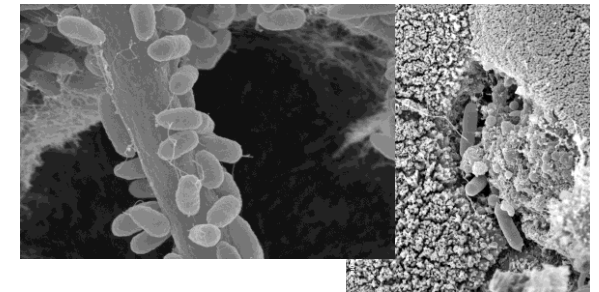
Correlative Light & Electron Microscopy

Confocal
Microscope



Fonctional and dynamic analysis

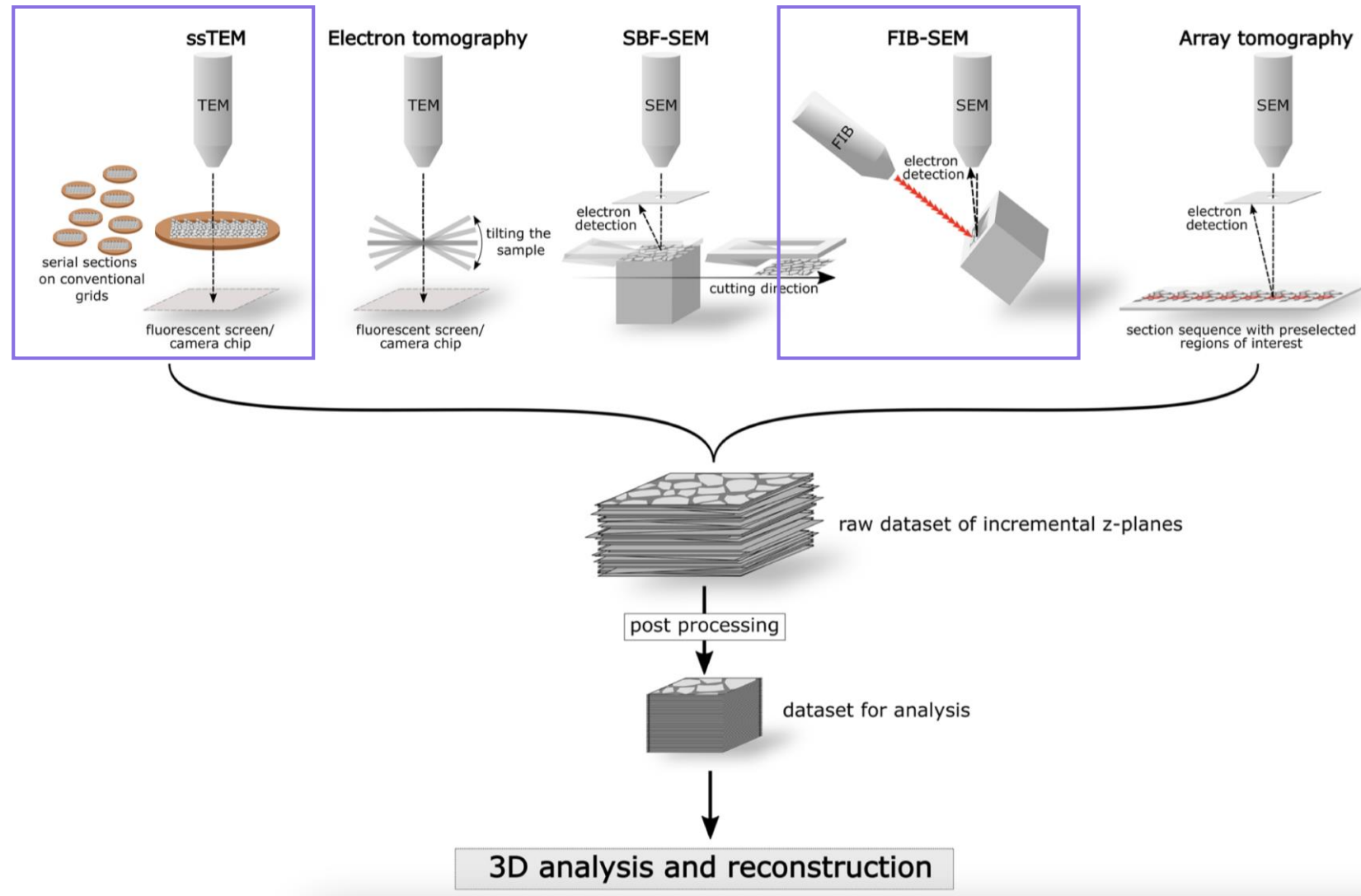
Scanning
Electron
Microscope



Structural information
& high resolution

CLEM

3D Electron Microscopy



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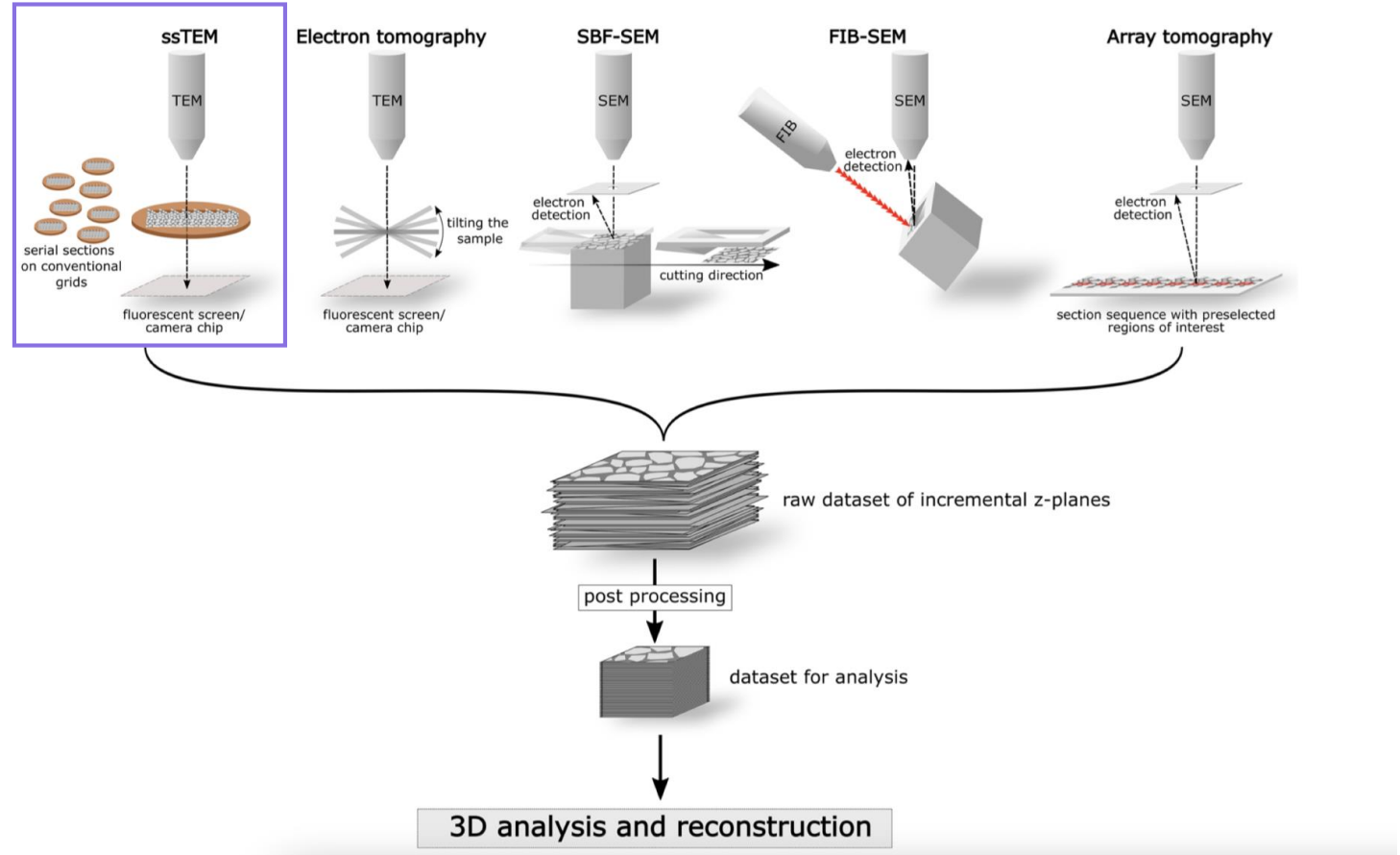
3D CLEM with intracellular informations

Light microscopy



+

Electron microscopy



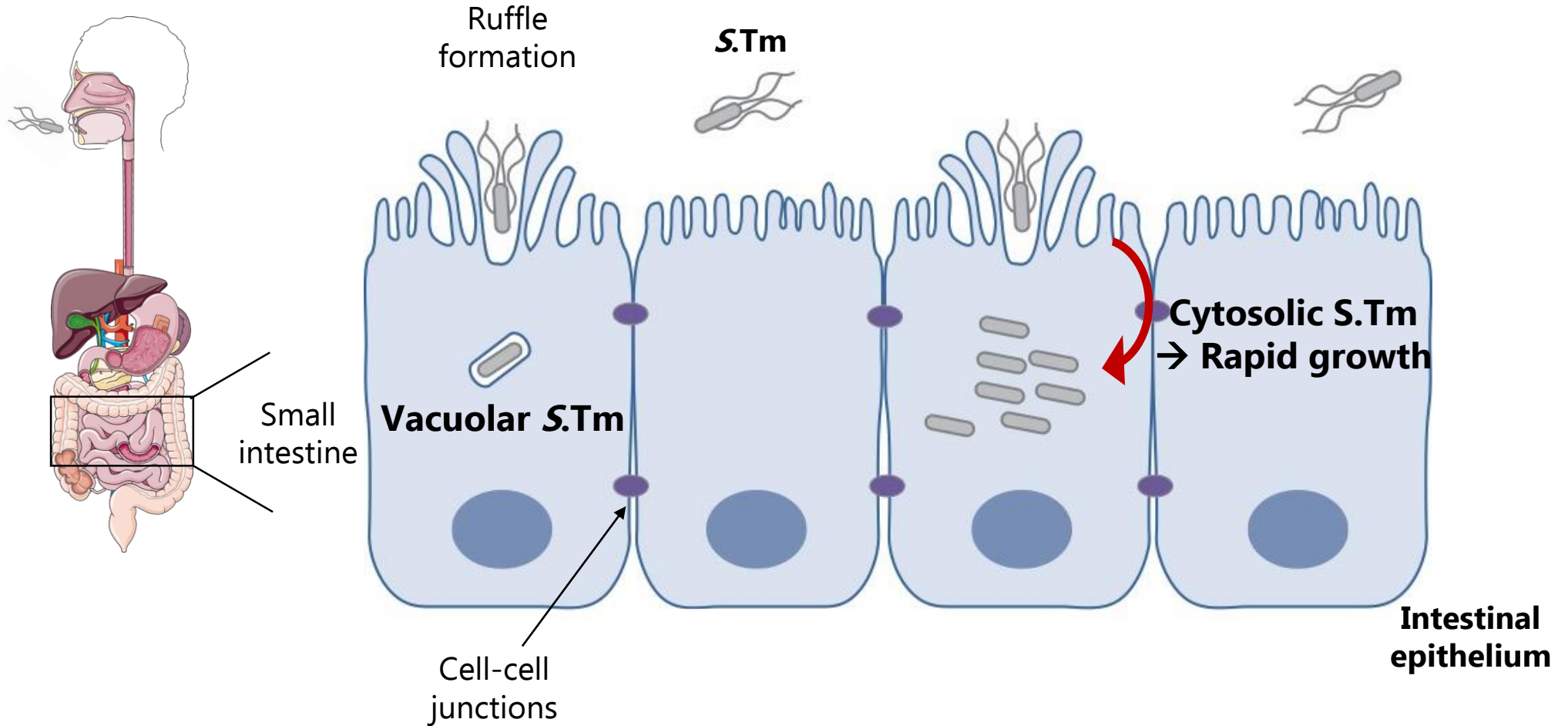
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Salmonella infections



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Collaboration: Jost Enninga, Léa Swistak

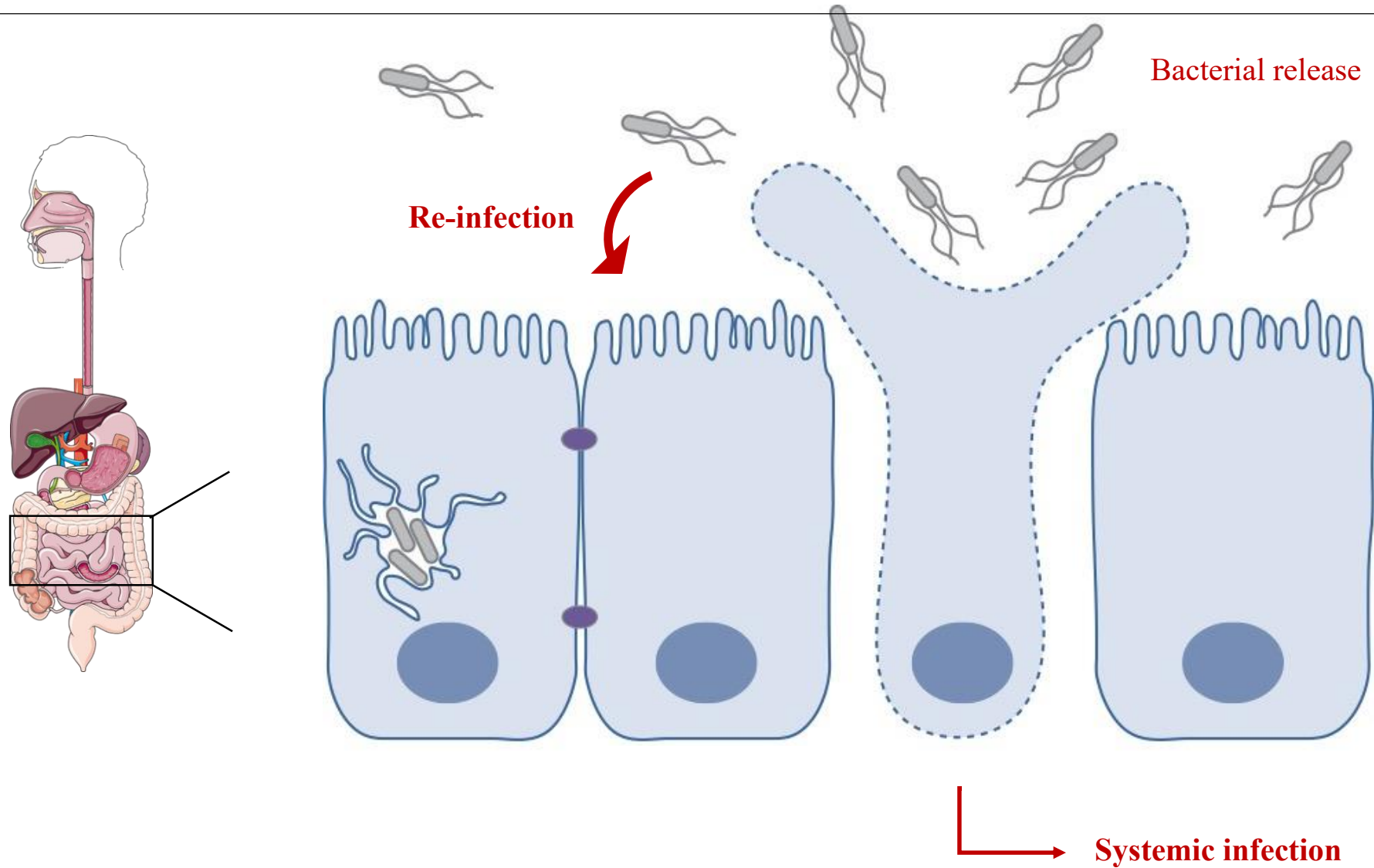


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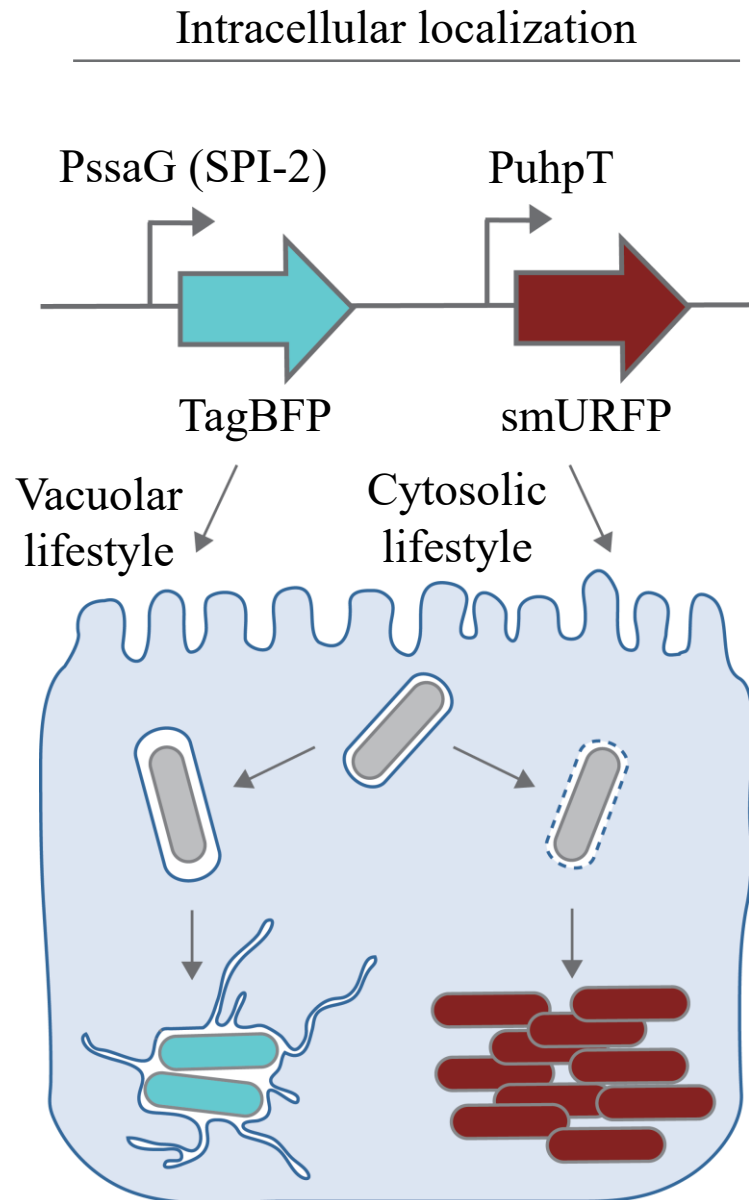


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Multiplex fluorescent reporter of S.Tm intracellular niches



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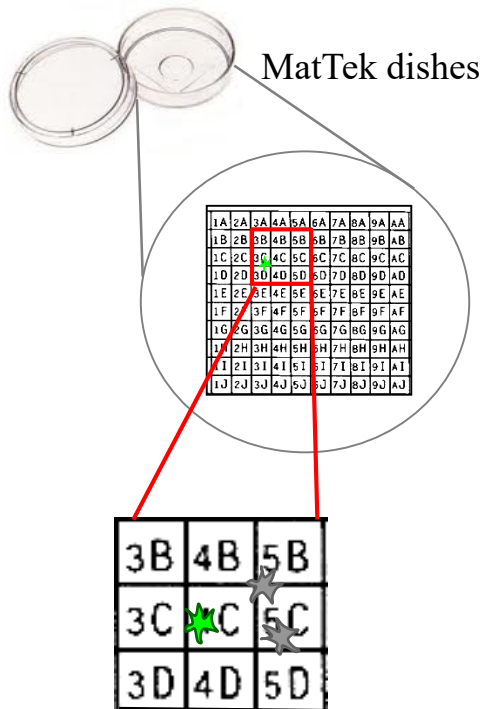
ssTEM : from preparation to observation

Cell culture + FLM

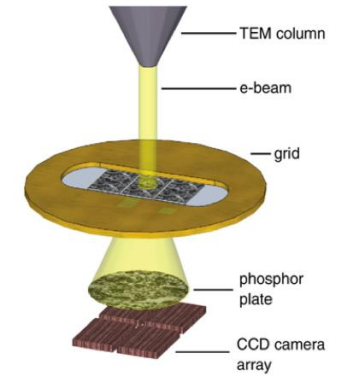
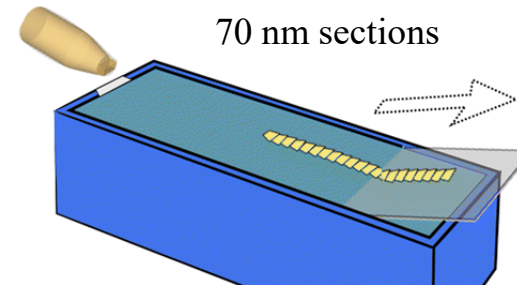
EM sample preparation

Ultramicrotomy

TEM



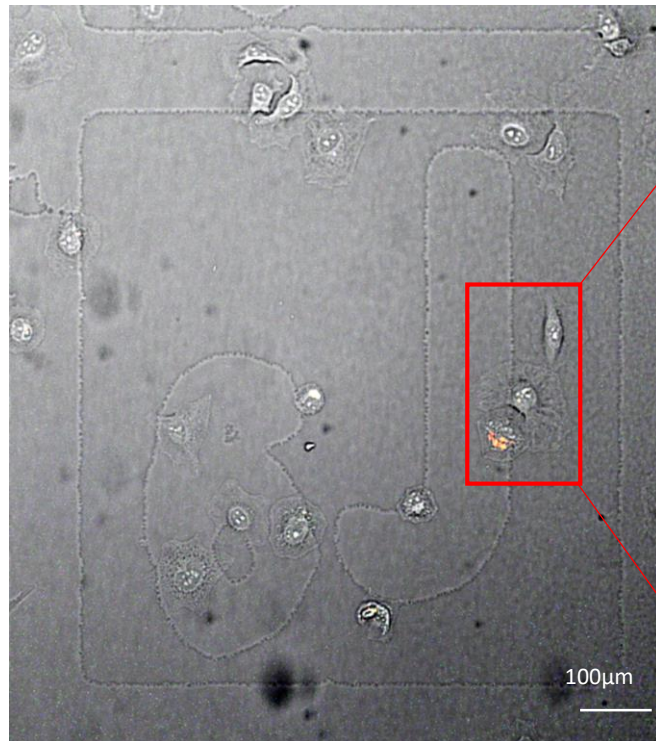
Osmium post-fixation
Dehydration
Epoxy-Resin Embedding
Polymerization
Sample mounting
Gold/palladium coating



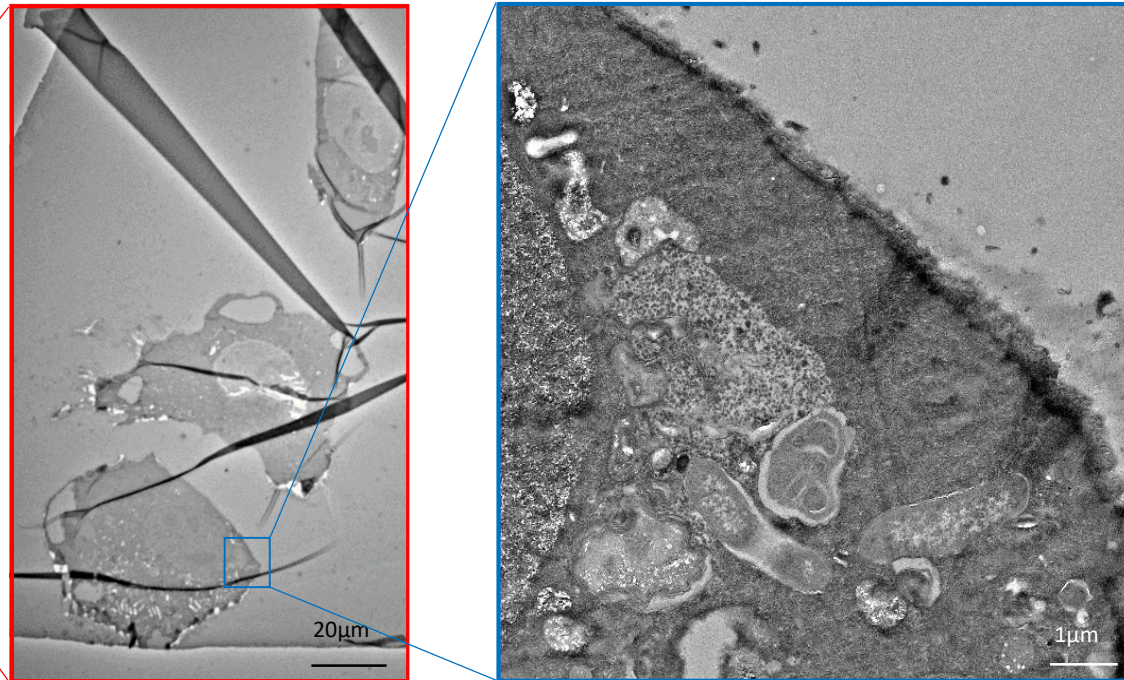
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Find the region of interest (ROI)

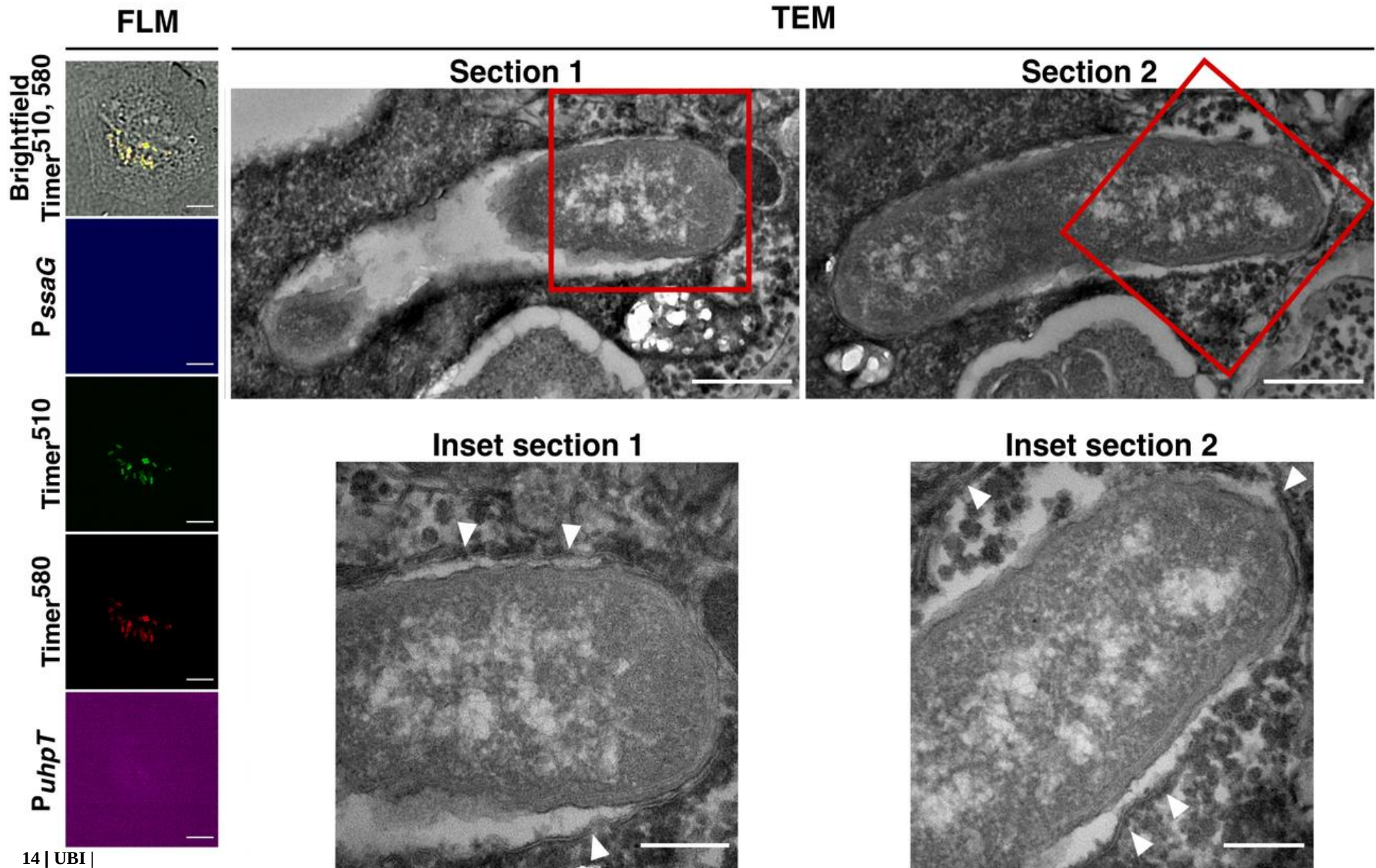
FLM-MatTeck



TEM-section 70nm

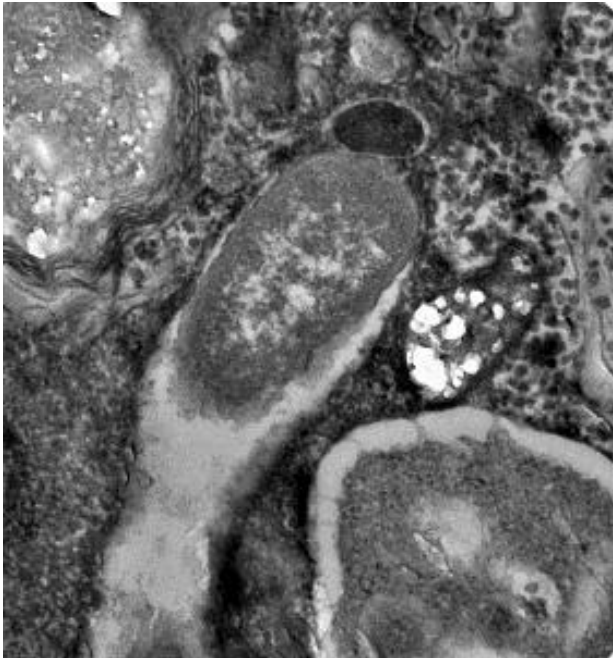


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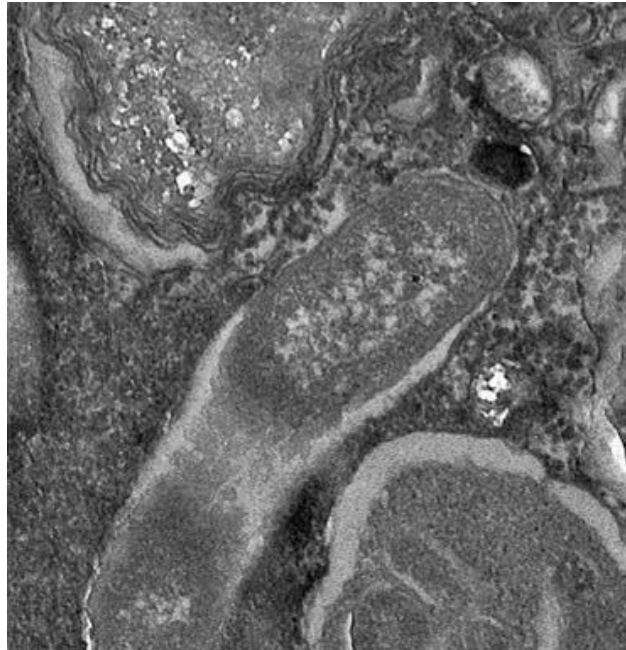


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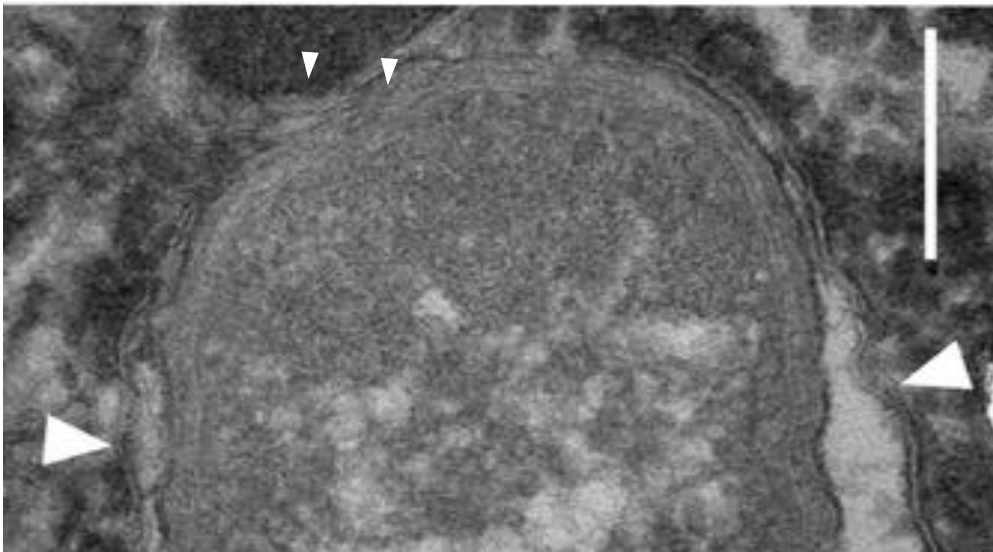
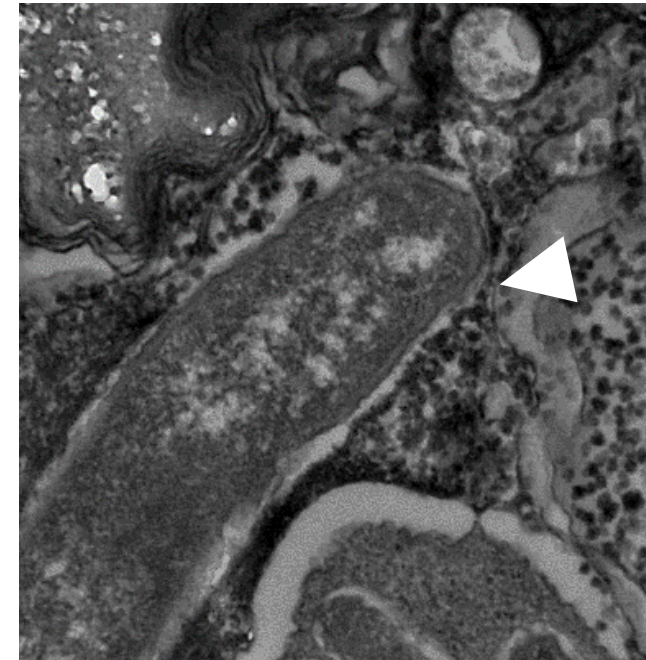
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Section#2



Section#3

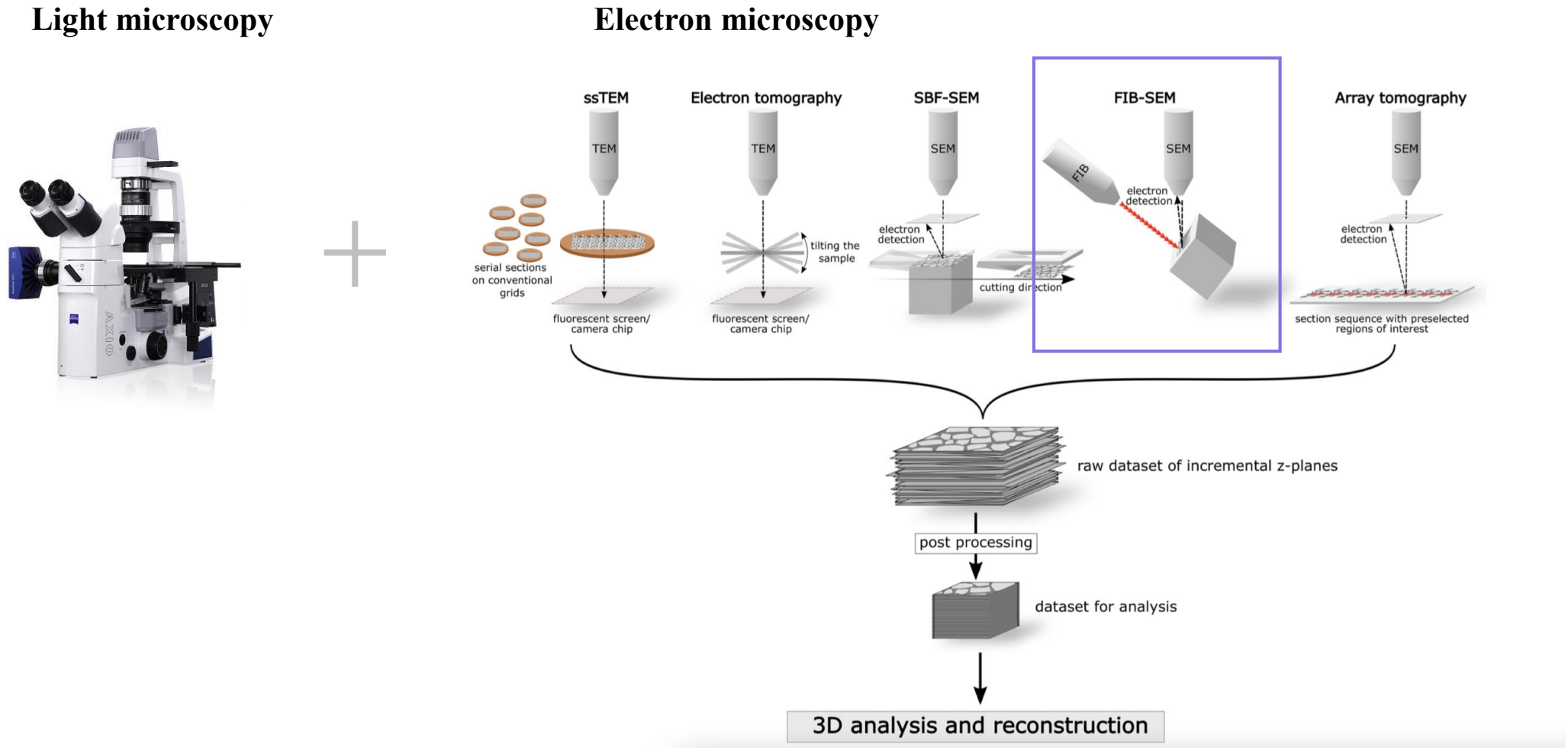


3 sections $\rightarrow$ 70 nm
= 210nm

$\rightarrow$ Intracellular informations
ssTEM : Not in a large volume

Collaboration with Lea Swistak, Jost Enninga, Jakson Luk
(Crick Institute) Jackson et al. Plos Path (2021)

3D CLEM with intracellular informations



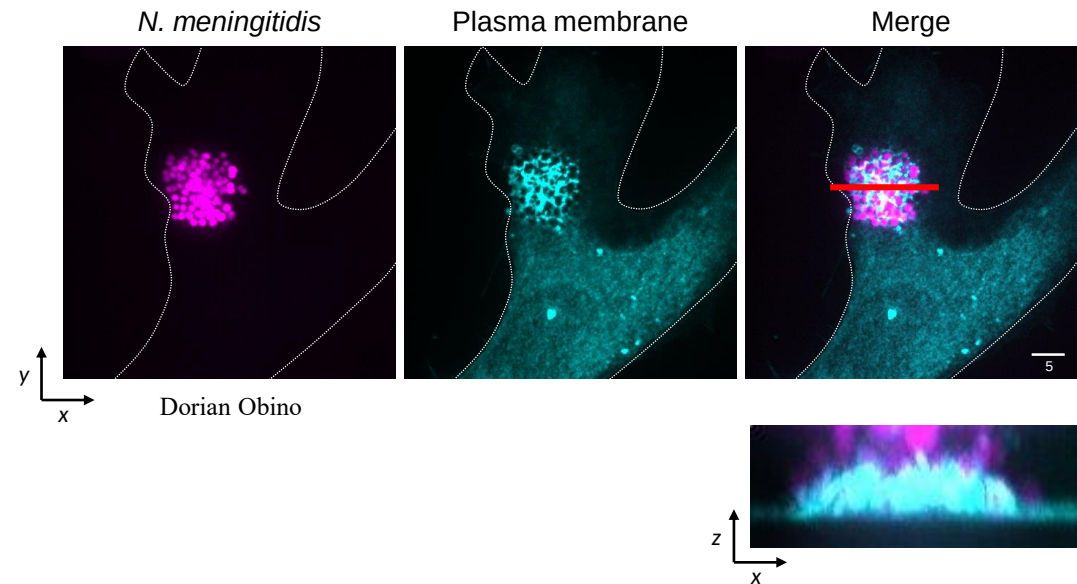
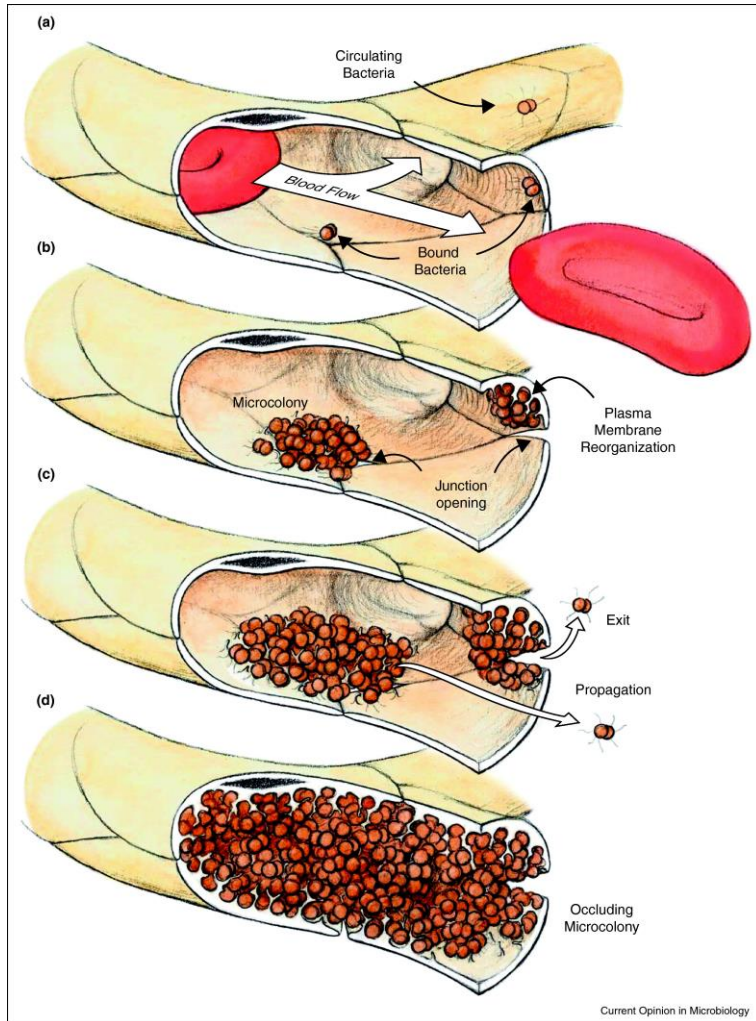
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Vascular colonization by *Neisseria meningitidis*



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Collaboration: Guillaume Dumenil, Dorian Obino



- Plasma membrane Reorganization
- No ultrastructural information

Melican K. et al., 2012.

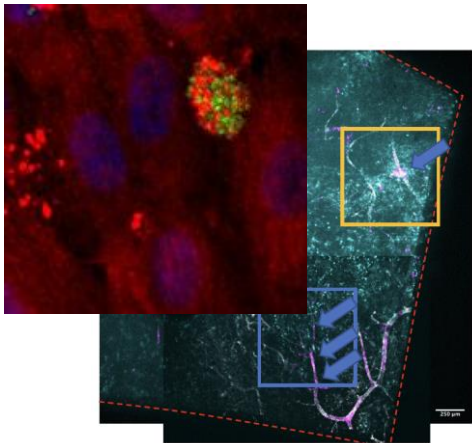
Correlative Light & 3D Electron Microscopy

Confocal microscopy

CLEM
FIND A ROI

FIB-SEM

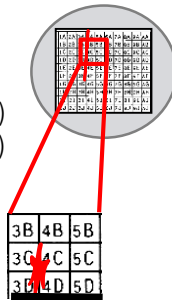
*Focused ion Beam–
Scanning Electron Microscopy*



*Low magnification
Fluorescence*

1 Cells in culture

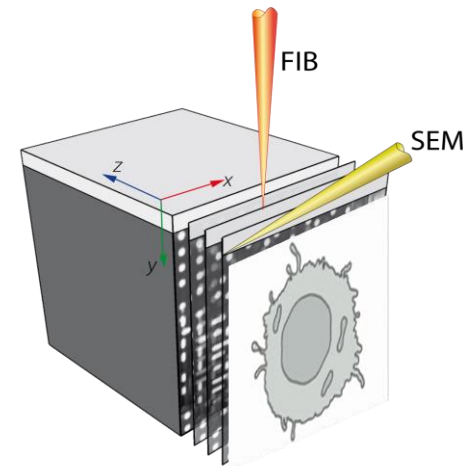
Luk CH *et al* (2021)
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2 Tissue sample

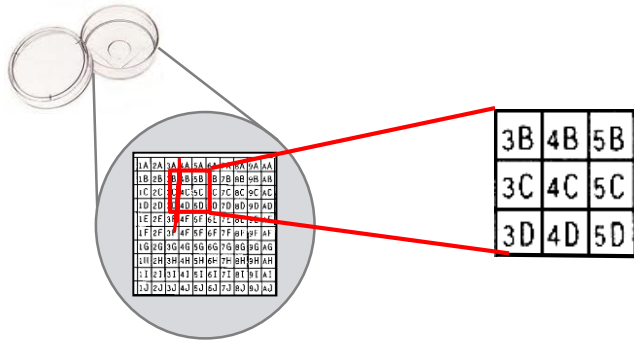


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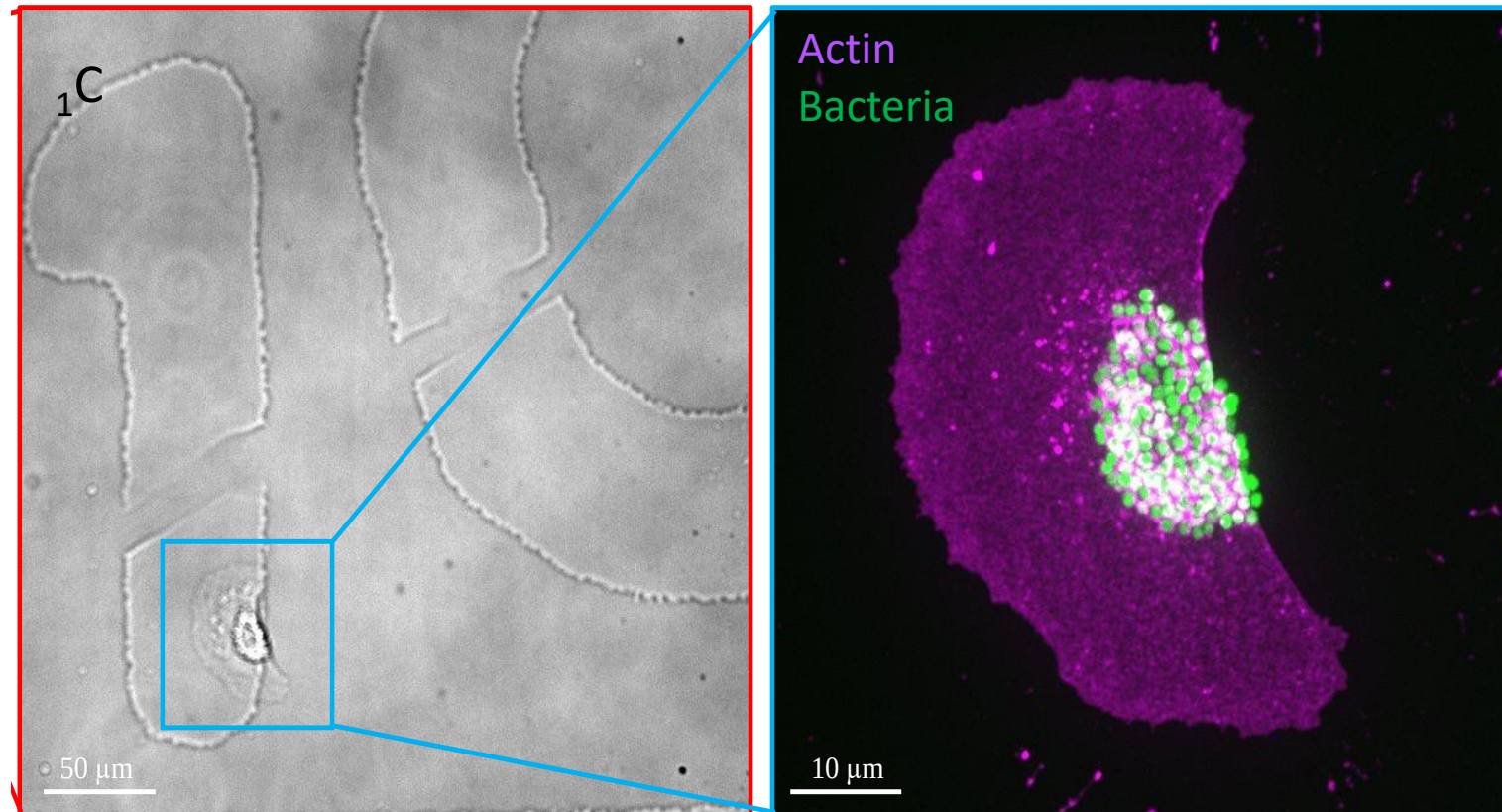
*Large Volume
Isotropic resolution*

1) Infected cells acquisition in correlative FIB-SEM

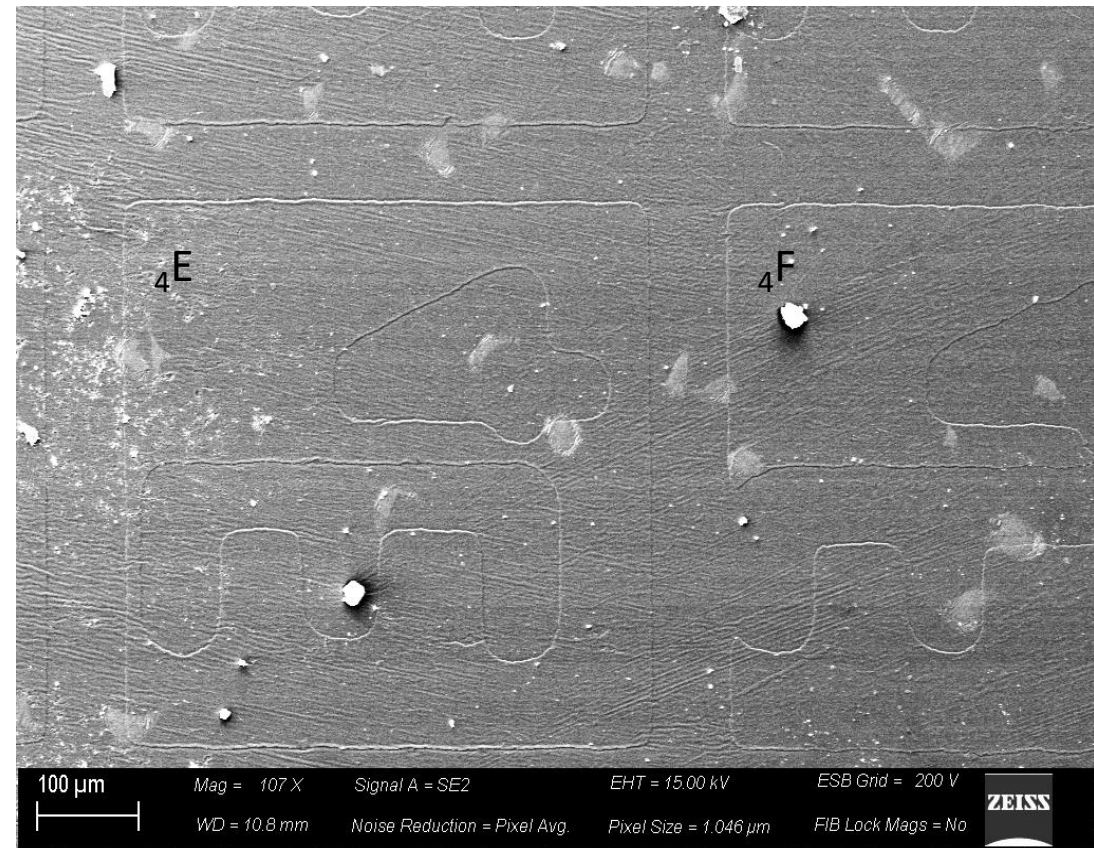
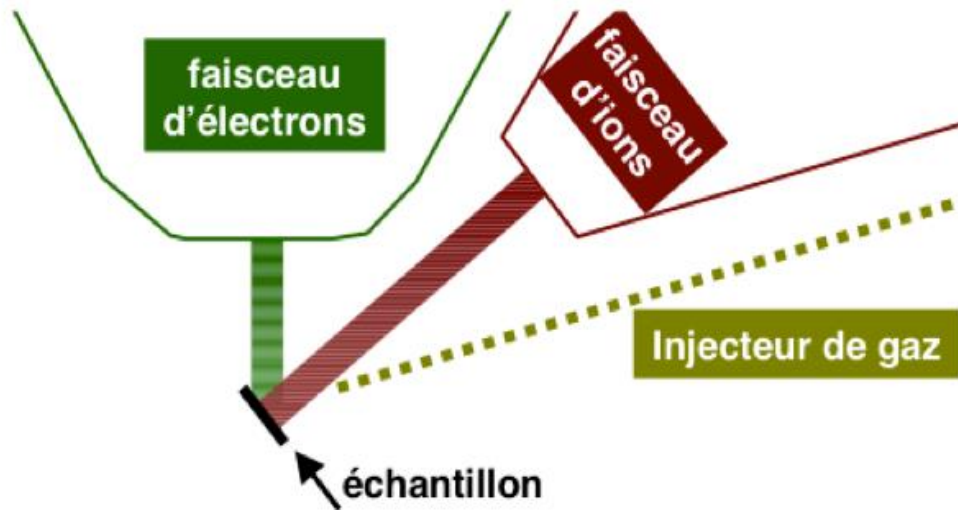


Light microscopy

HUVEC infected by *Nm*, fixed 2hpi.



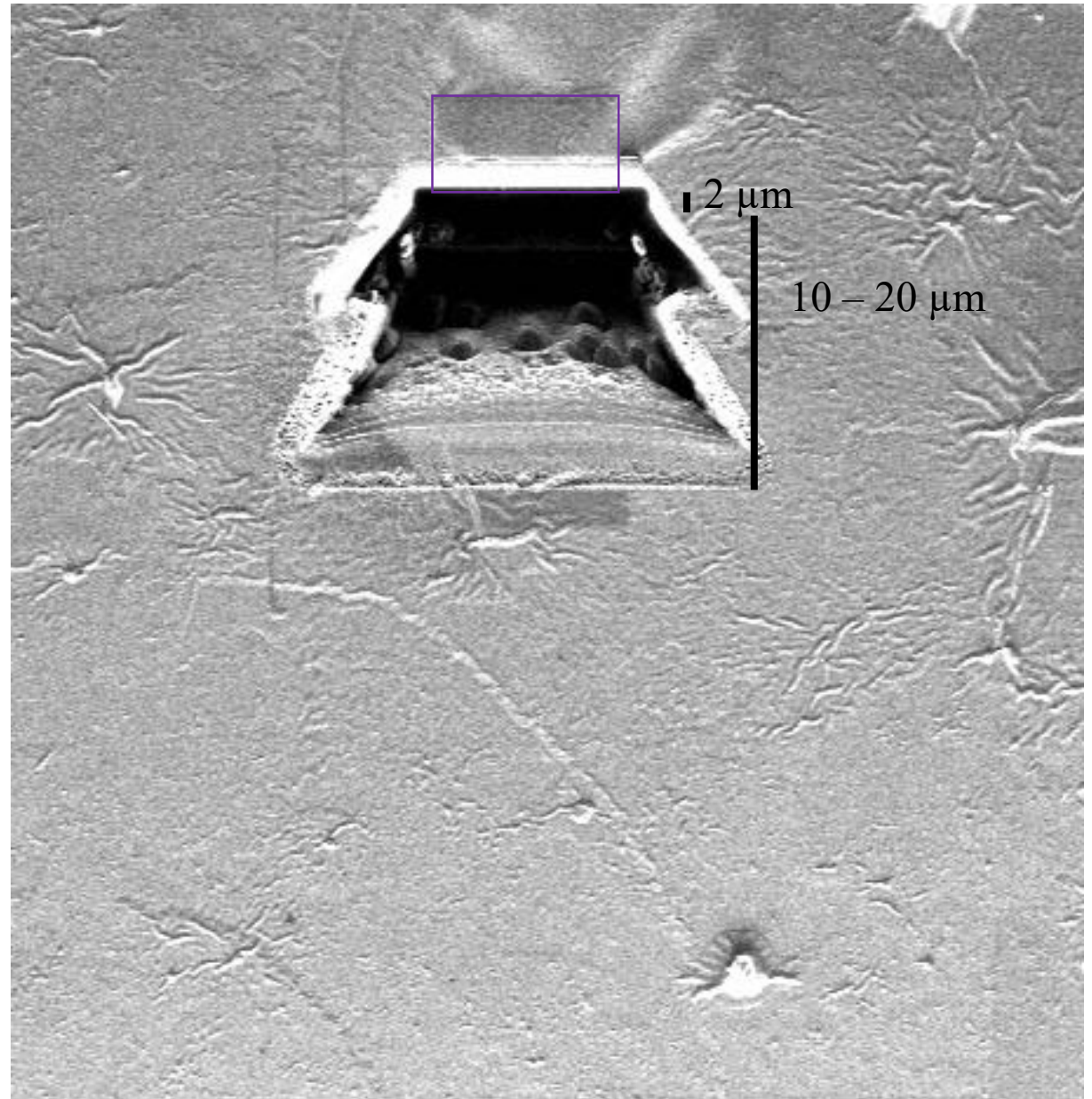
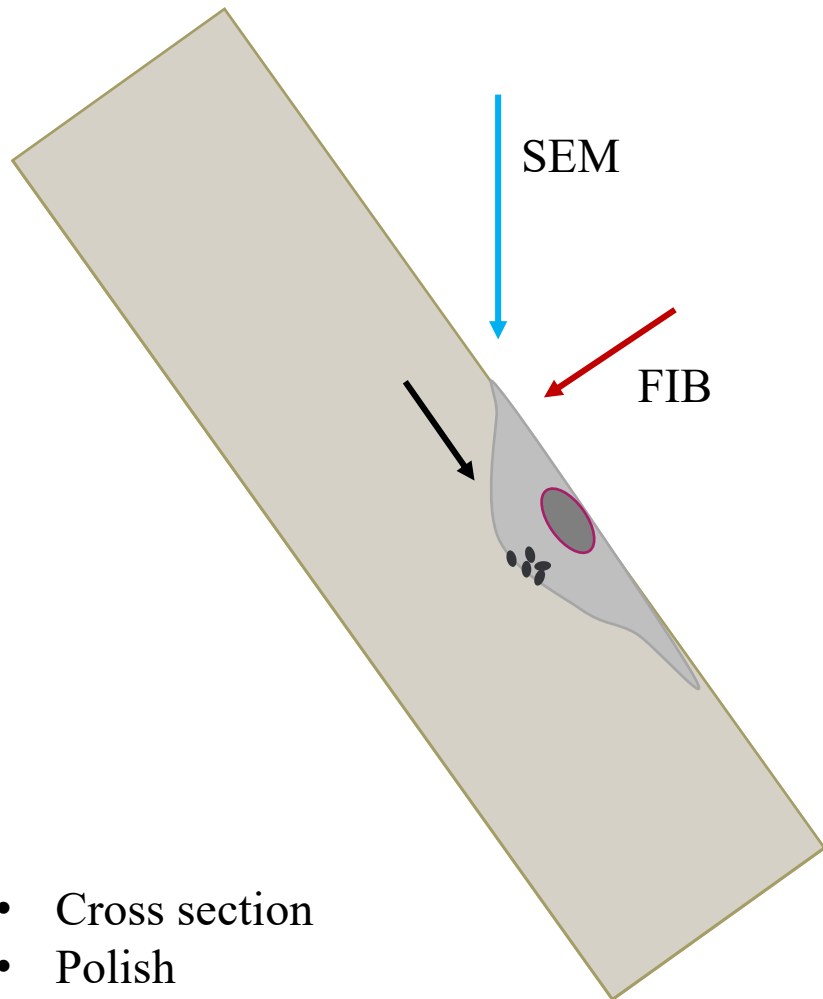
FIB-SEM parameters



4C 4D 4E 4F
3C
2C
1C



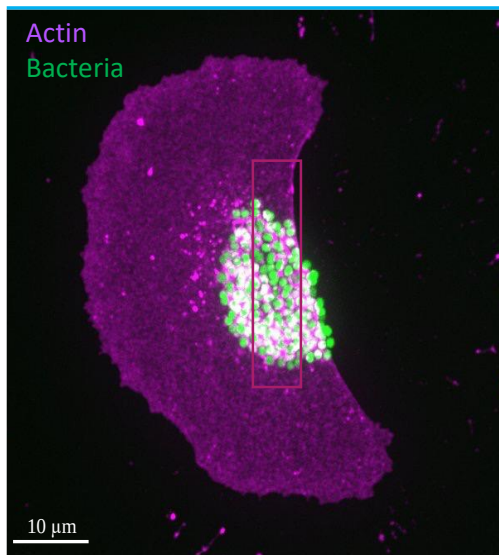
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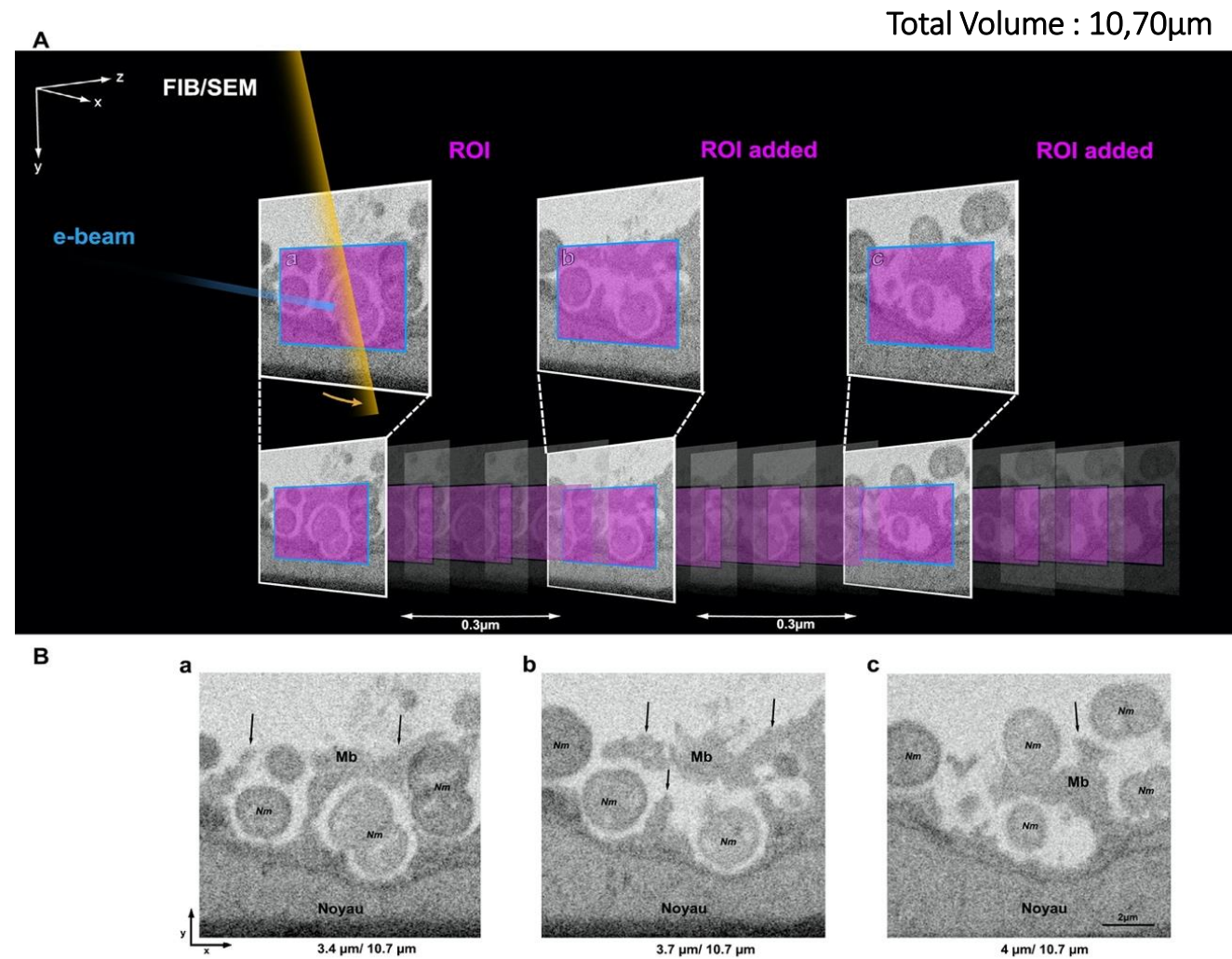
FIB-SEM acquisition

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FIB-SEM



Correlative FIB-SEM on infected cells

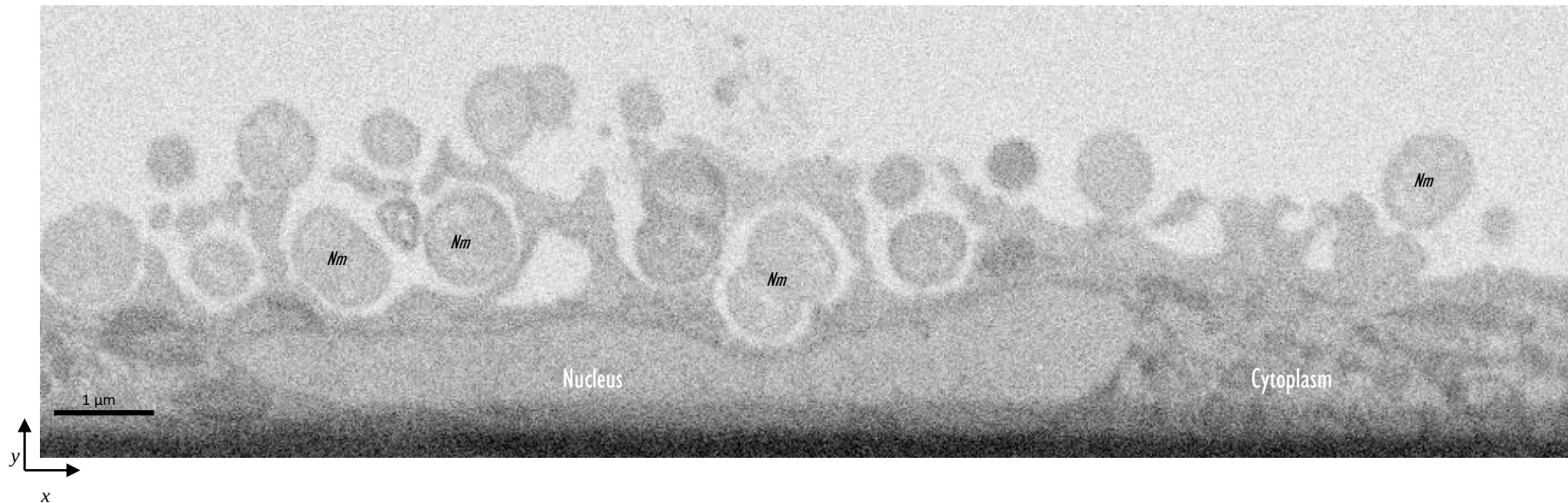
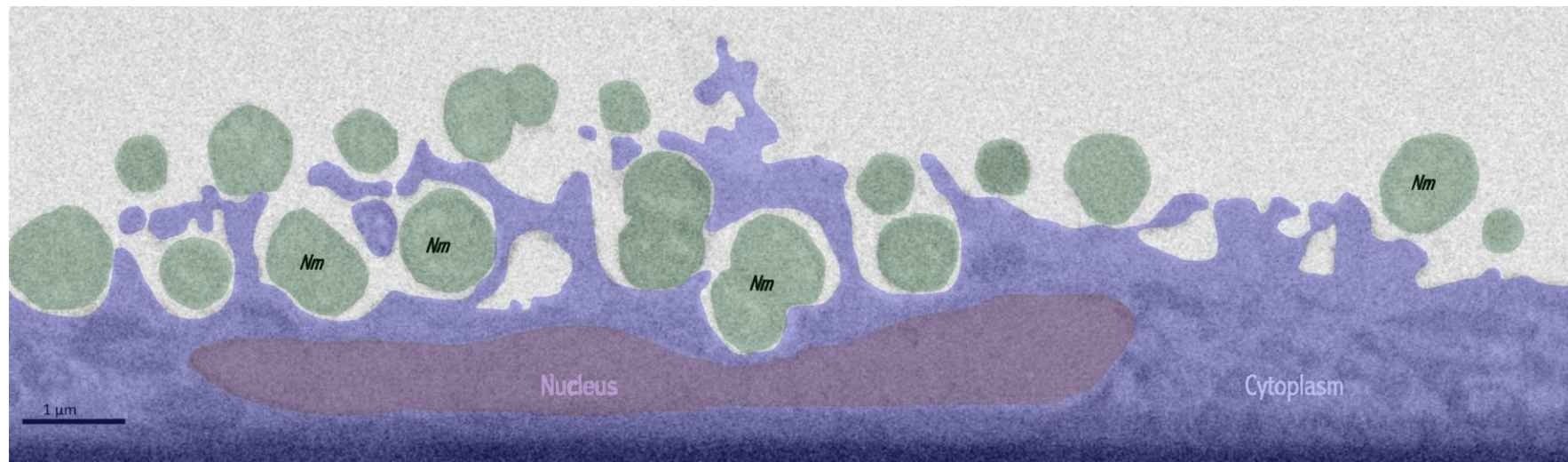
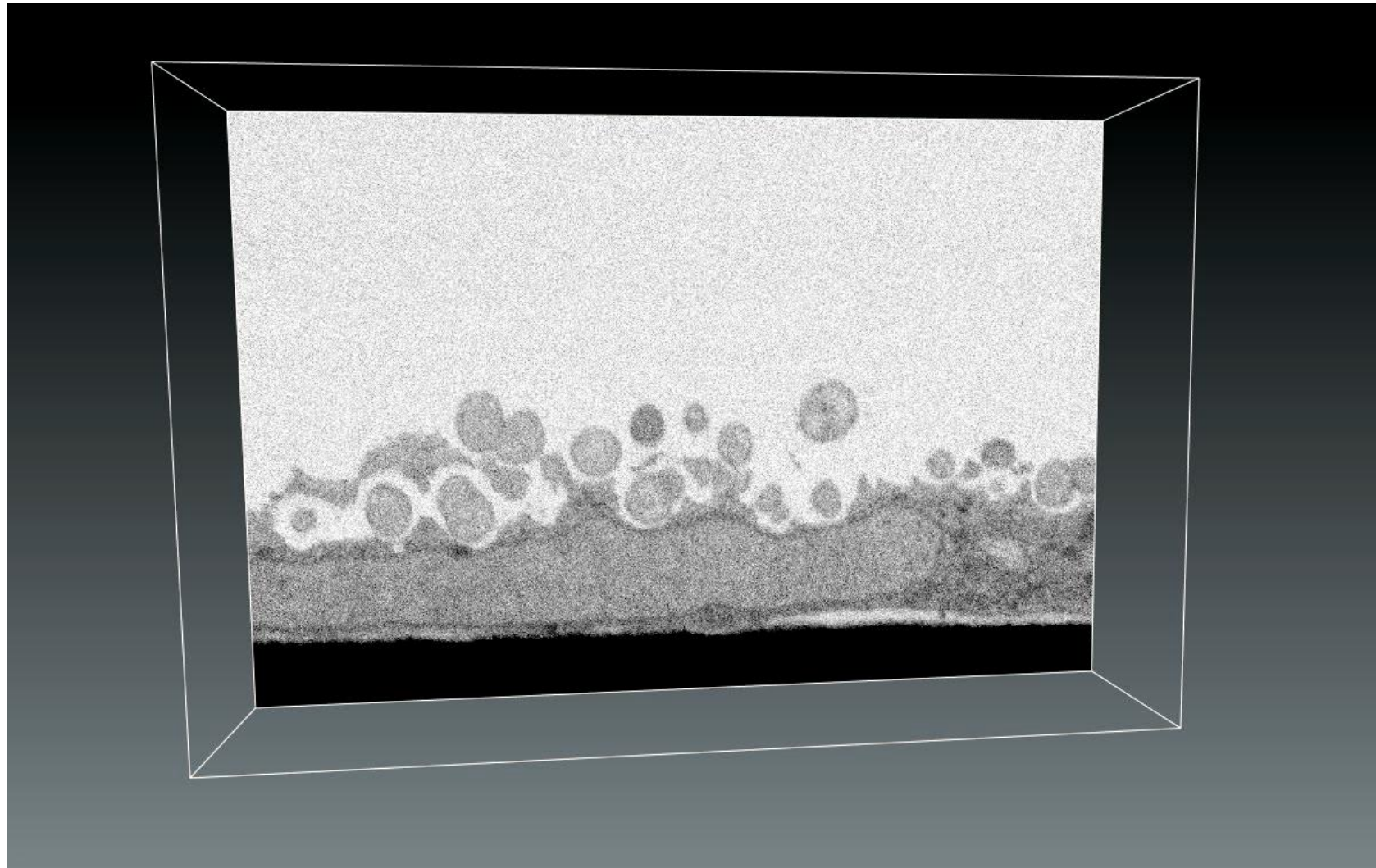


Image extracted from the stack



Bacteria
Plasma Membrane
Nucleus

Correlative FIB-SEM on infected cells



3D Reconstruction

Amira®

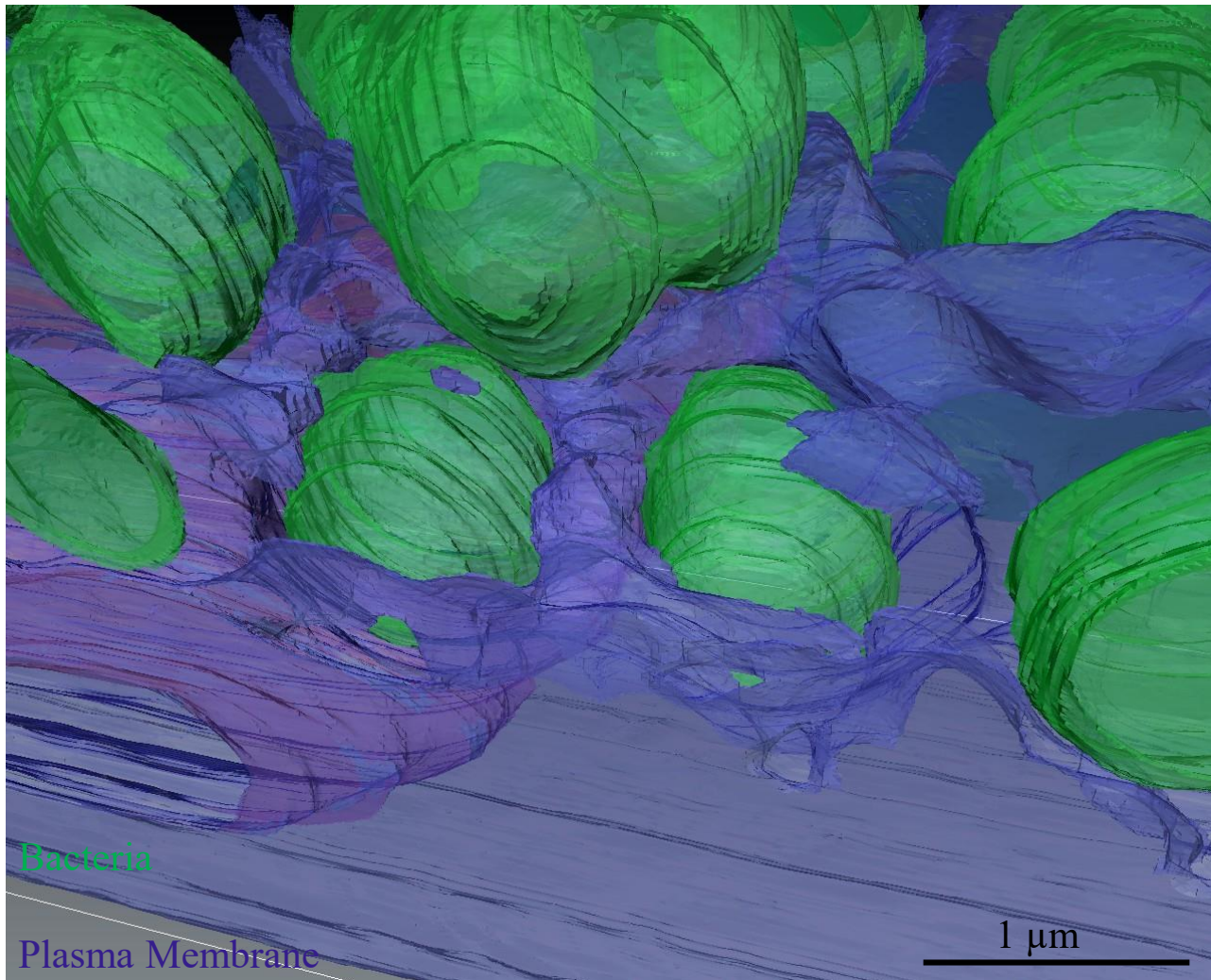
3D Visualization & Analysis
Software For Life Sciences

Bacteria

Plasma Membrane

Nucleus

Results : CLEM FIB-SEM on infected cells



---> Plasma membrane rearrangement around bacteria : niche

---> Bacteria are not intracellular

What is the impact of vascular colonization by *Neisseria meningitidis* on a ***tissue environment*** ?

2) Workflow : CLEM FIB-SEM *on tissue samples*

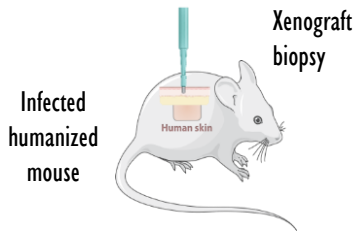
Biopsy
Landmarks

Confocal
microscopy

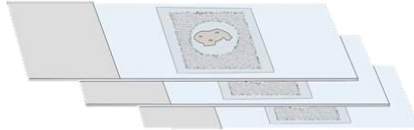
Sample preparation
& Ultramicrotomy

Scanning Electron
Microscopy : Map

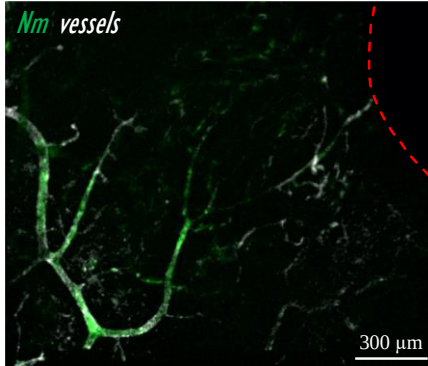
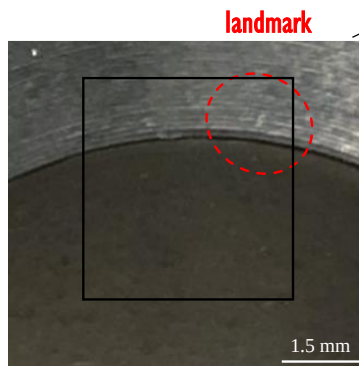
FIB-SEM &
3D analysis



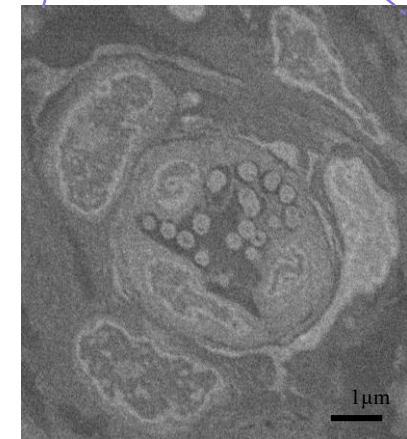
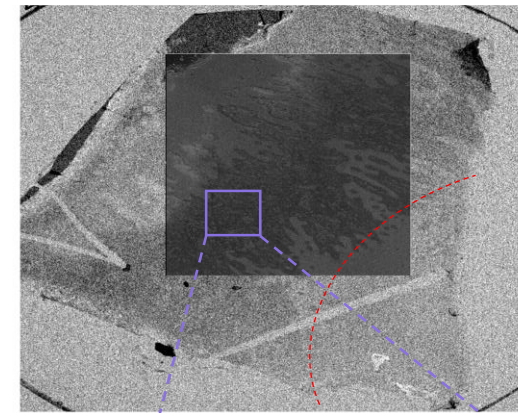
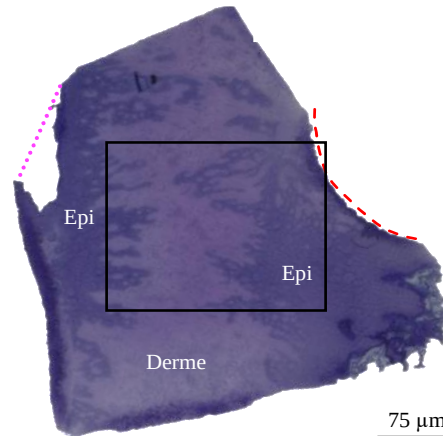
vibratome sections



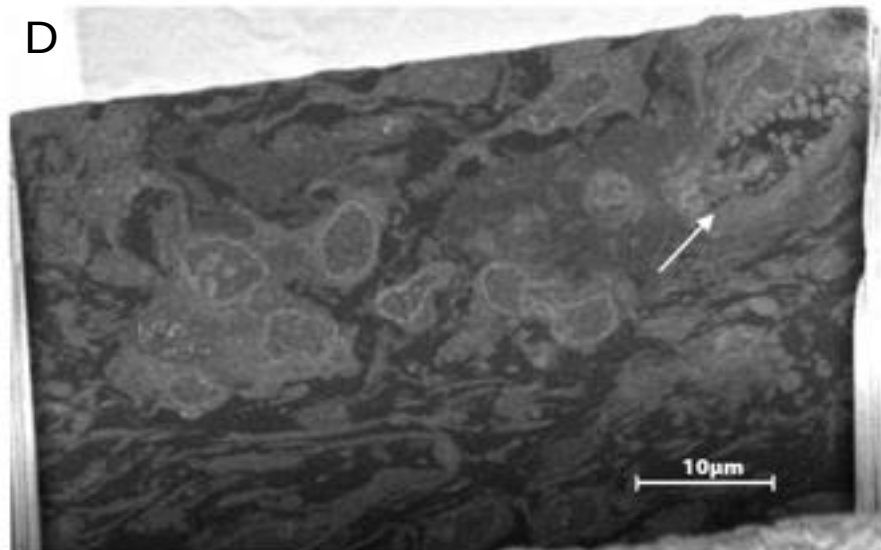
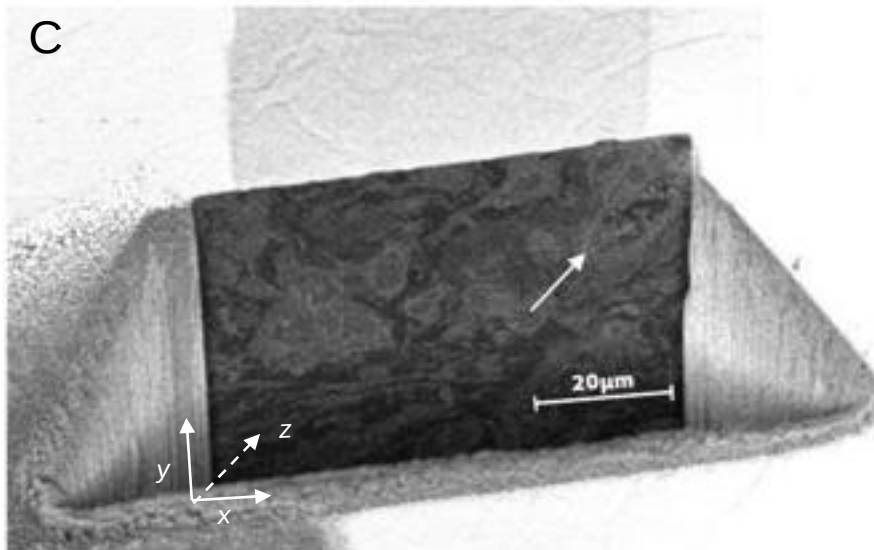
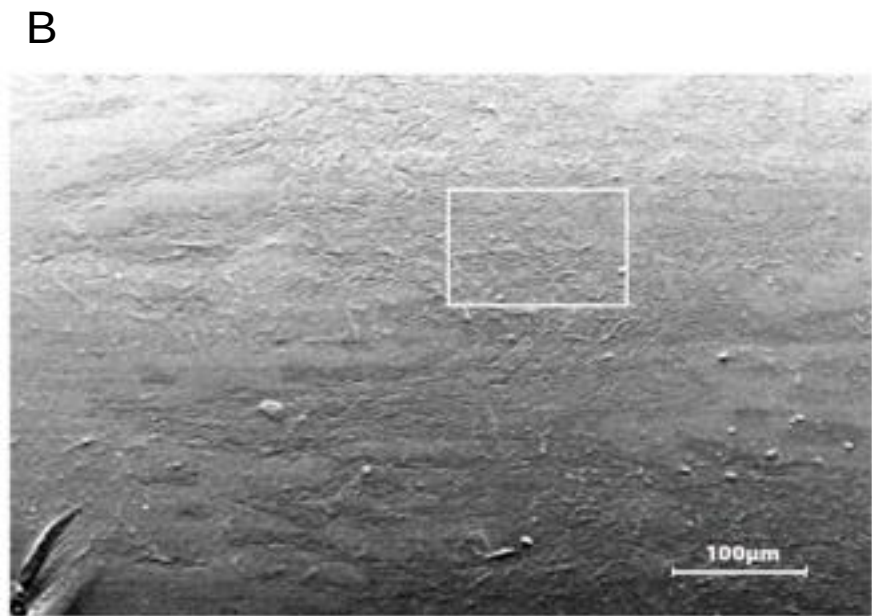
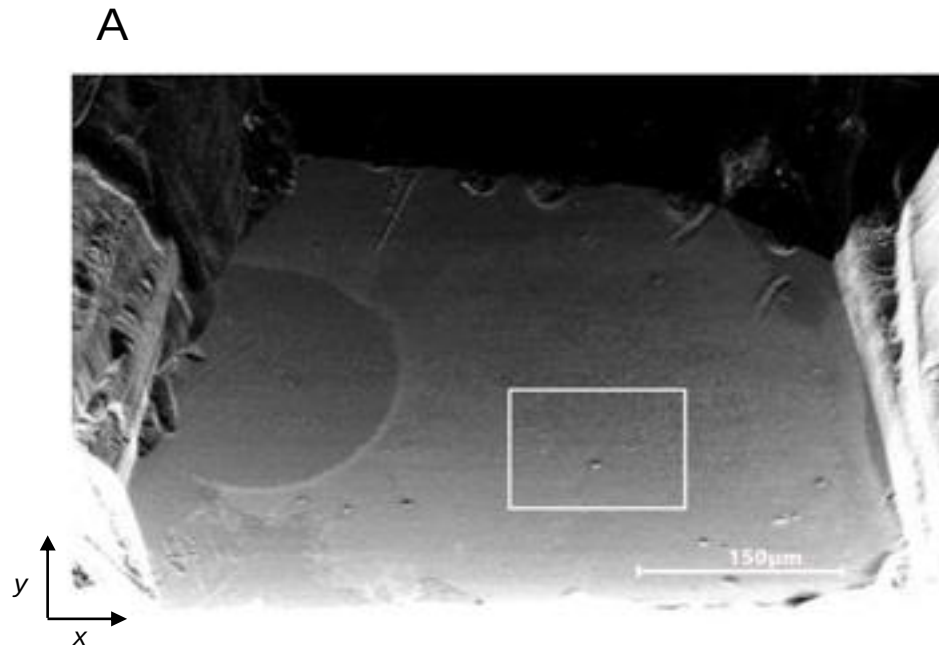
Localisation of region of interest, and check the presence of infected blood vessels.



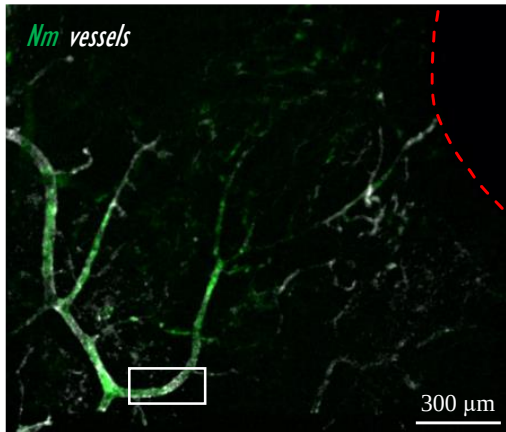
150nm thickness



Correlative FIB-SEM on tissue sample

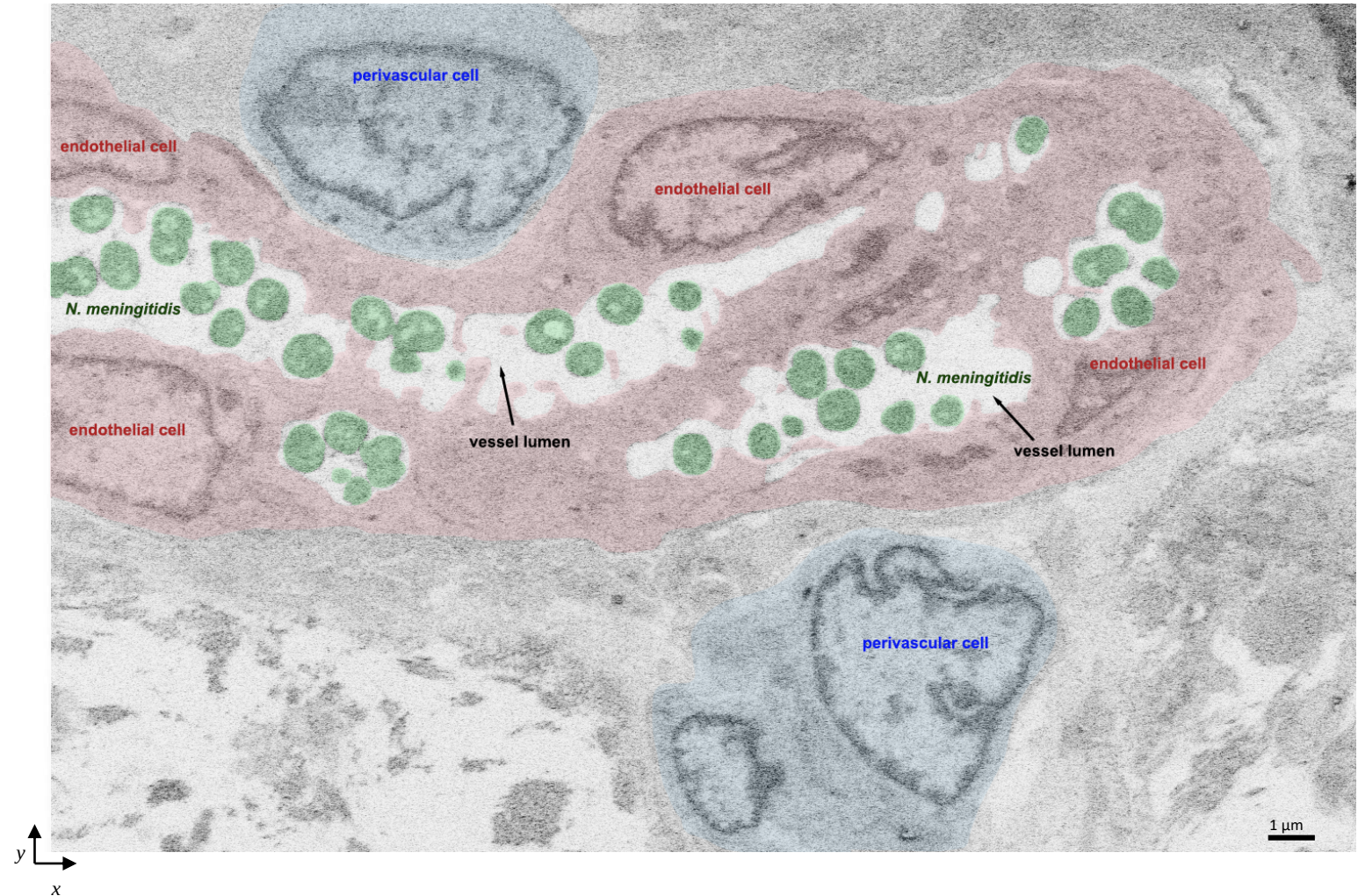


Ultrastructure of infected blood vessel in CLEM FIB-SEM



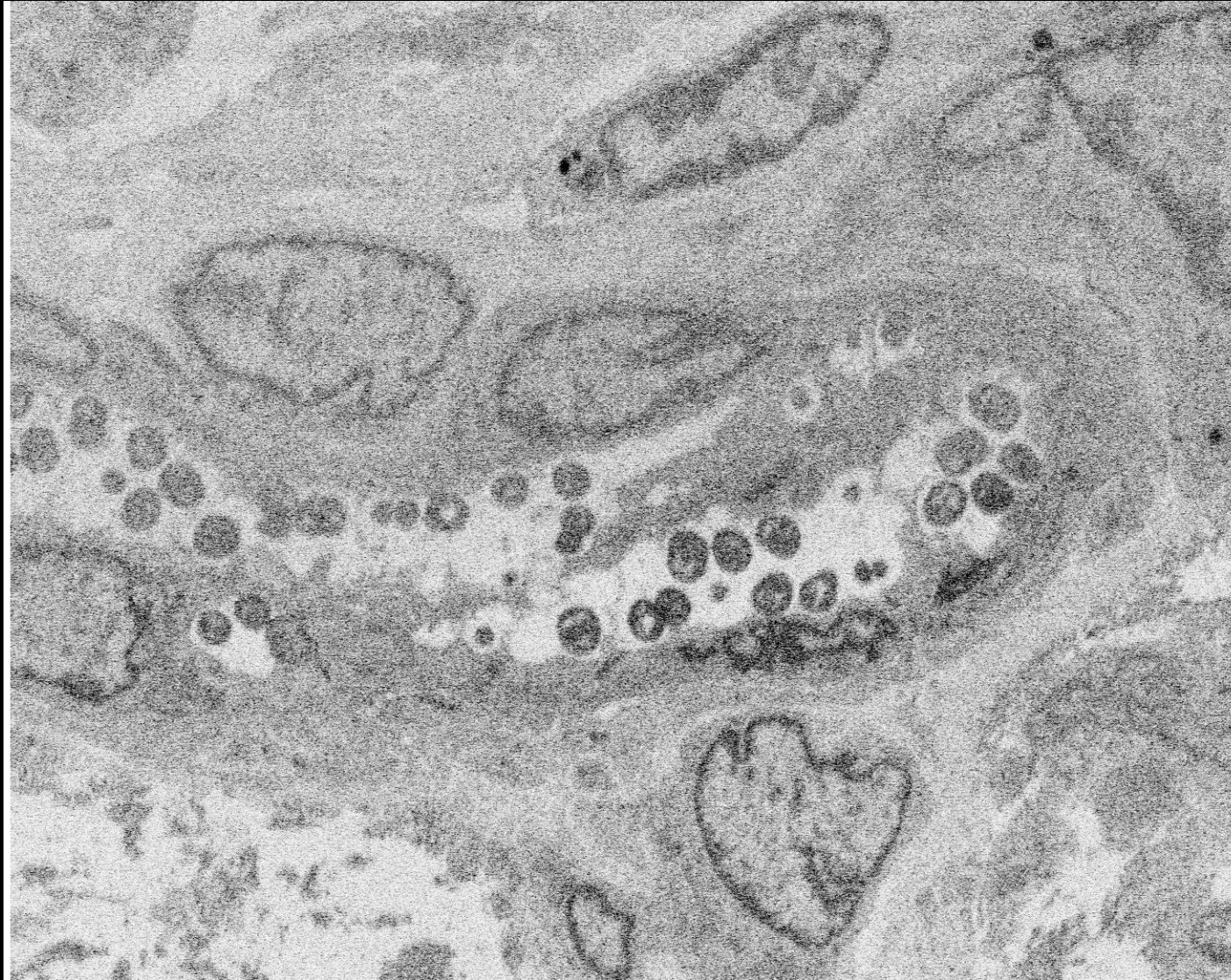
Total volume = 5 μm

Experiment from mice model infected by *Nm*, fixed 3hpi.

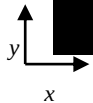


Ultrastructure of infected blood vessel in CLEM FIB-SEM

→ First 3D acquisition of the vascular colonization

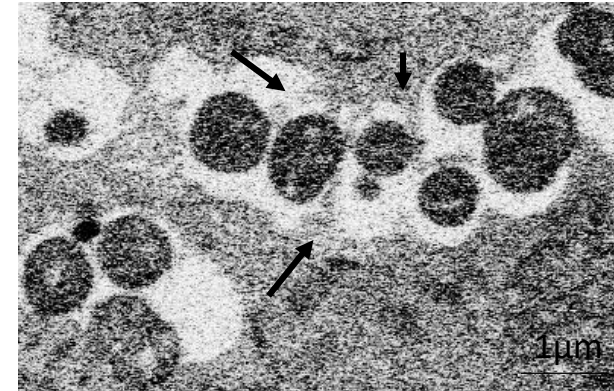
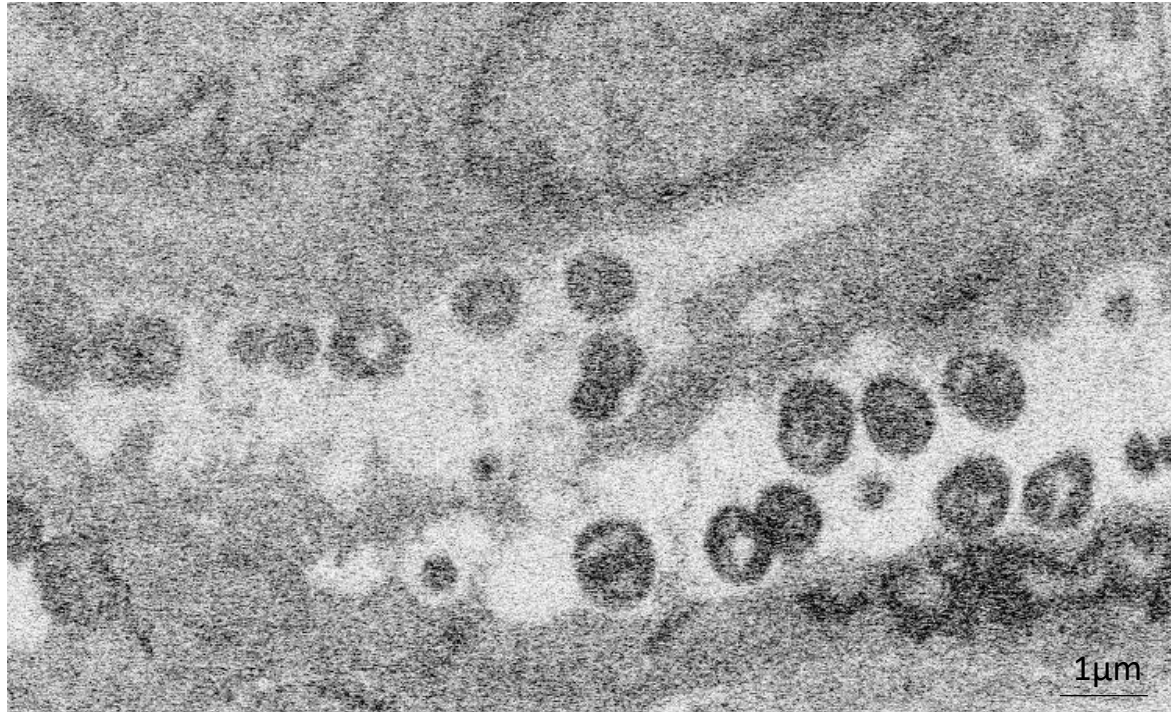


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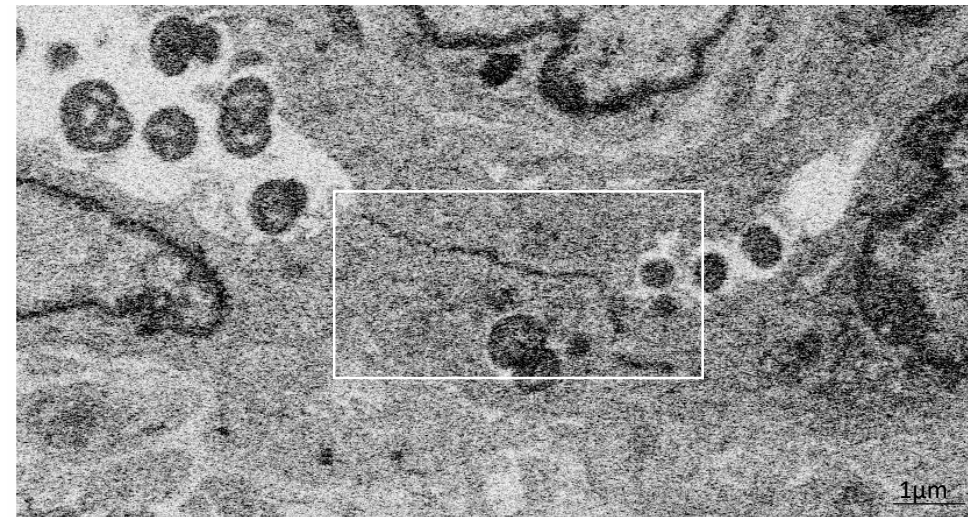


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Vascular colonization



→ Plasma membrane rearrangement around bacteria.



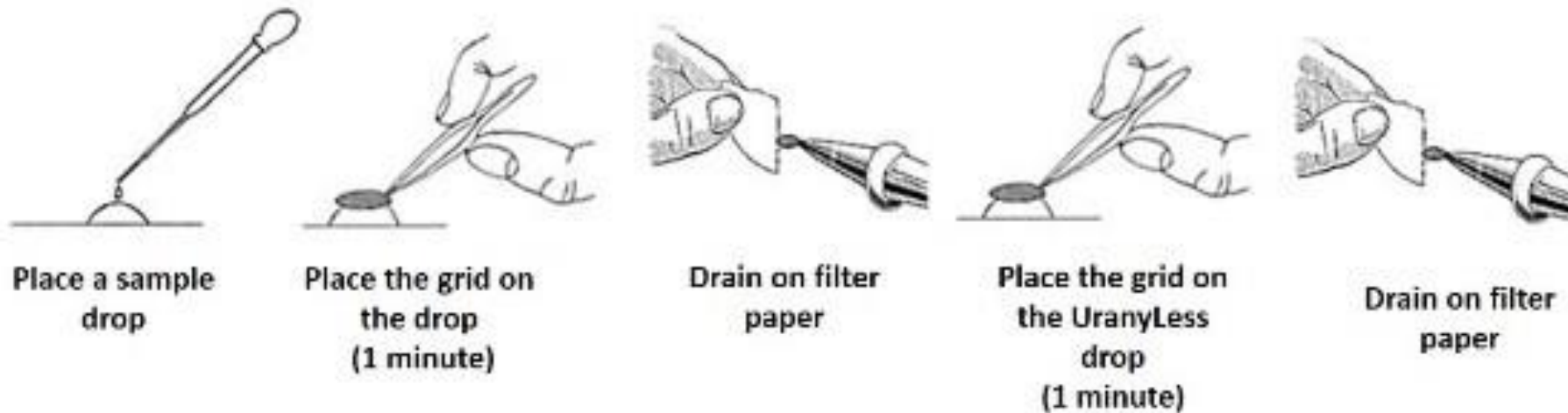
→ cellular junction

Structural Biology Applications

Negative staining on single particles

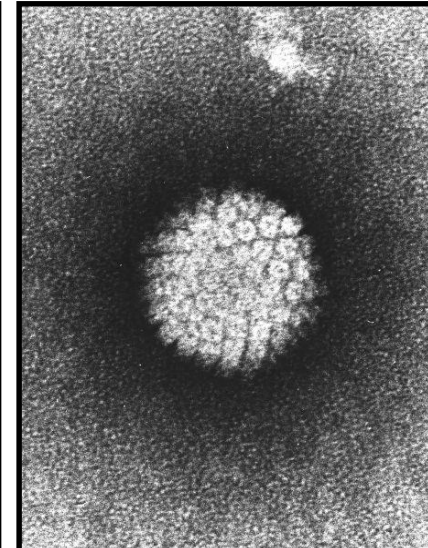
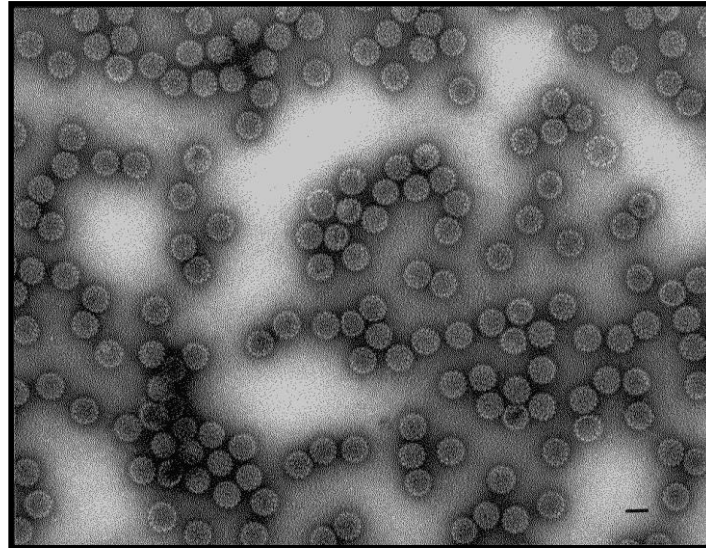
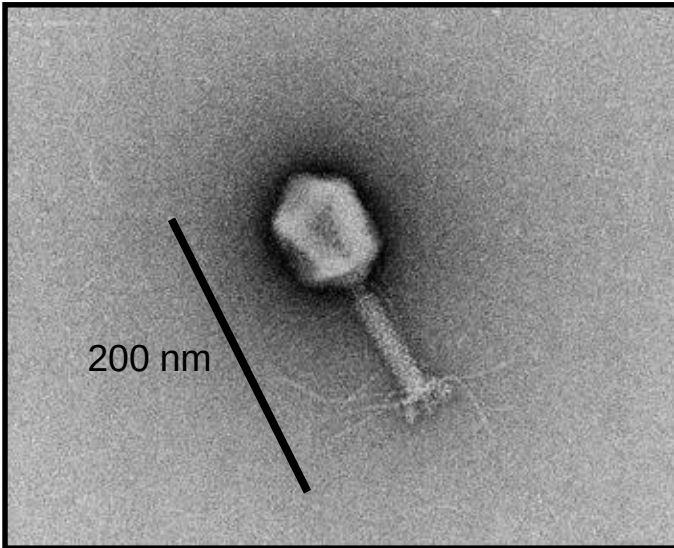
- Virus
- Proteins
- Complexes

→ Small samples !

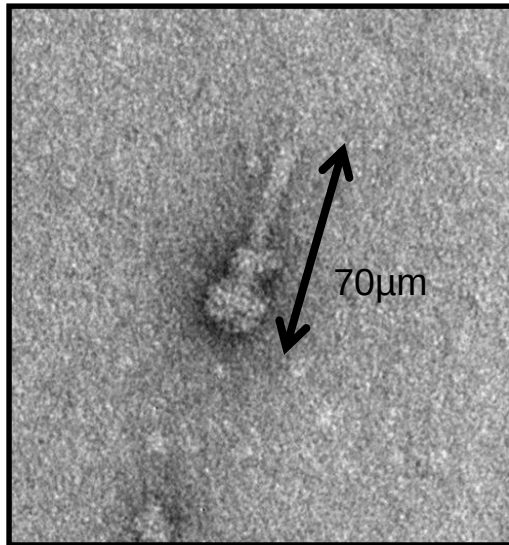


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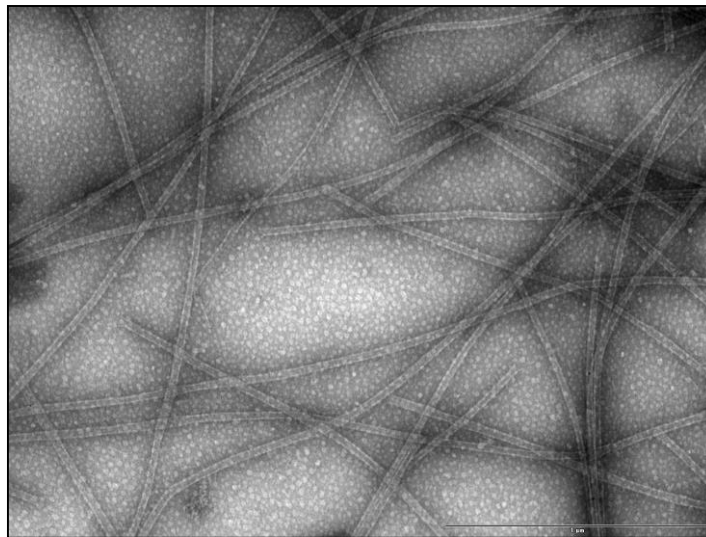
Papillomavirus humain



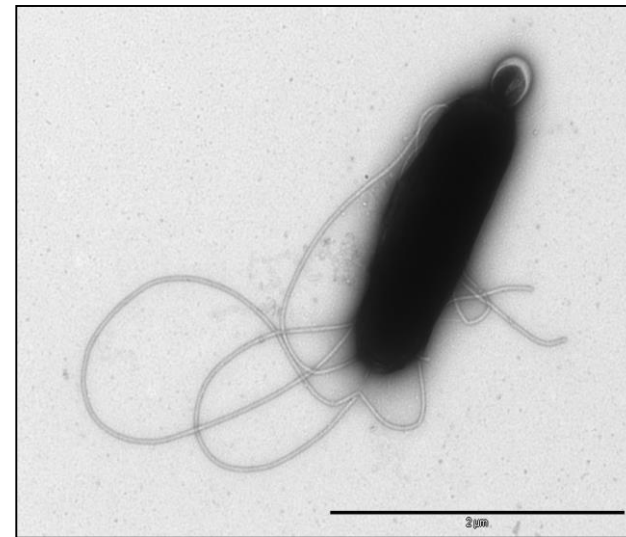
Appareil Type III



Microtubules (HCV)

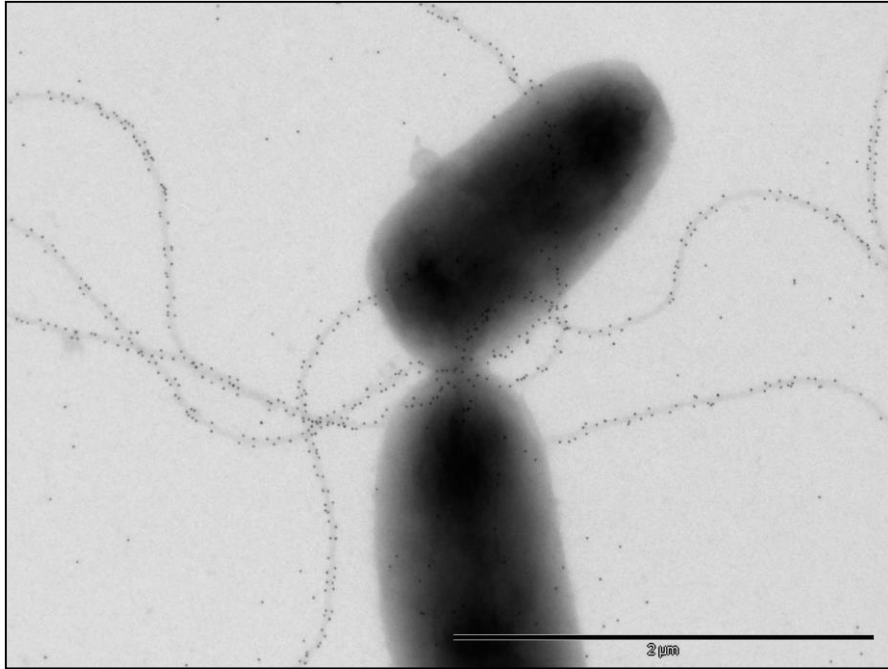


E.coli

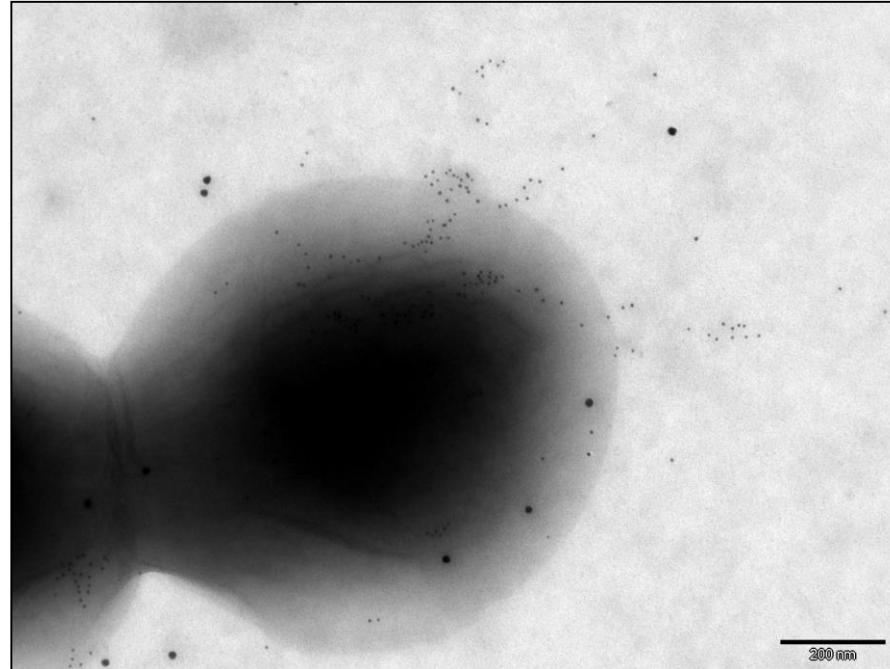


Structural Biology Applications

E.coli



Streptococcus



Cryo EM
Nanolmaging Core
Facility



- Cryo TEM
- Sub tomogram averaging
- Cryo FIB (Cryo lamella)

Conclusion & Perspectives

3D EM :

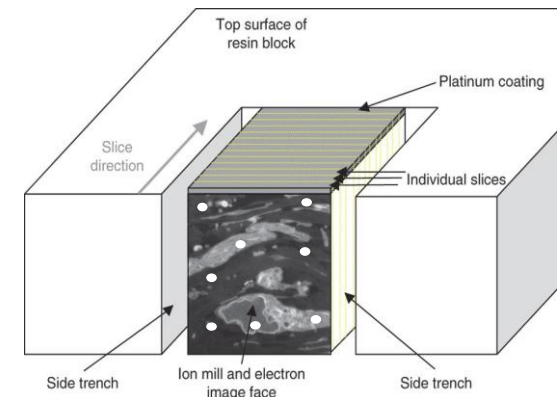
- ssTEM
- FIB-SEM

CLEM

Sample preparation
Multi scale
Multi Information

- Development of **CLEM** approaches
- **3D**
- **Ultrastructural details**

→ Zeiss Crossbeam laser FIB-SEM



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