

# M1D6: Complete sub-nuclear foci assay staining

10/03/18

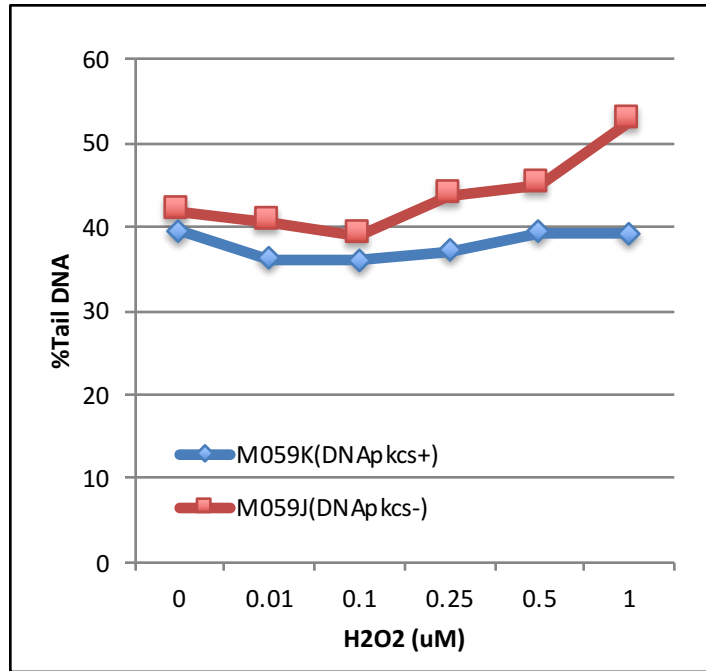
1. Stain  $\gamma$ H2AX foci
2. Work on Data Summary in down time
- ♥ 3. Paper discussion

## Announcements

- Quiz Thursday (10/4)
- Extra office hours – poll
- Data Summary draft due **Tuesday 10/9**
- You already have over half the data you need to complete your Data Summary!

# What did your CometChip data look like?

\* w/ yellow dose response to  $H_2O_2$  the best



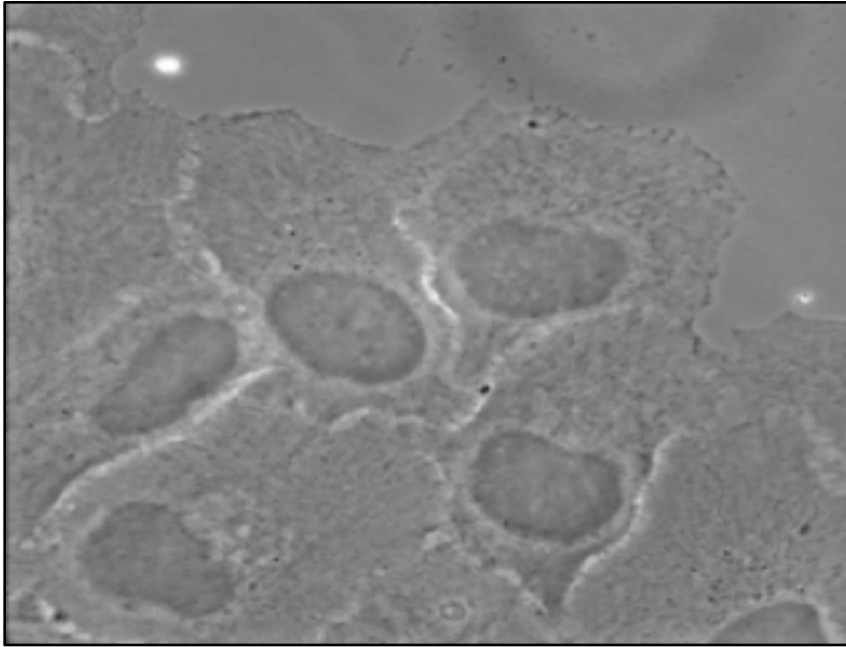
You will need to plot 95% confidence intervals—explanation coming in Friday's prelab!

# CometChip recovery data to include in Data Summary

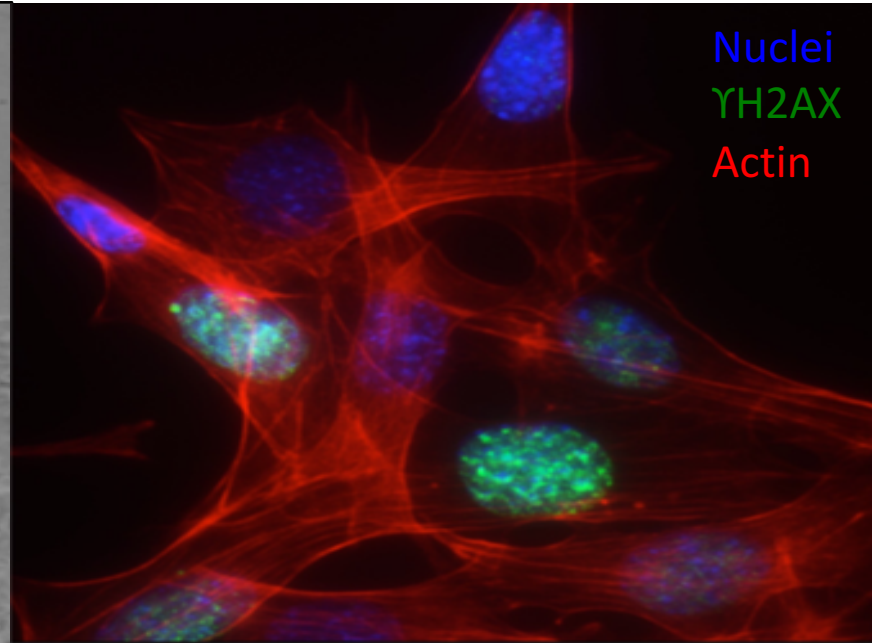
- Data from Jing Ge, Engelward Lab
- 50  $\mu\text{M}$   $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$

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2	M059K (+DNAPKcs)						
3	Time (min)	17-Oct	21-Oct	23-Oct	7-Nov	8-Nov	15-Nov
4	-20	8.8307	9.3469	15.1883	6.4421	10.1519	8.3265
5	0	65.5986	73.7173	11.5915	13.6661	22.1336	33.9372
6	20	32.3809	30.3926	25.659	8.9514	11.4634	16.667
7	40	11.3853	23.8967		8.6218	16.3445	10.4776
8	60	13.4105	14.8082	15.1418	8.3472	9.8262	12.8872
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11	M059J (-DNAPKcs)						
12	Time (min)	17-Oct	21-Oct	23-Oct	7-Nov	8-Nov	15-Nov
13	-20	9.784	20.5153	13.7129	8.134	14.466	10.6093
14	0	76.2265	74.9286	70.3199	70.8689	50.5001	63.5164
15	20	76.7371	77.3443	55.0552	69.212	43.9916	37.2402
16	40	61.5771	72.2957		51.5209	32.7484	30.8764
17	60	40.9693	53.4273	44.9221	29.9882	14.2085	44.325
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# Why is fluorescence imaging so widely used in biology?



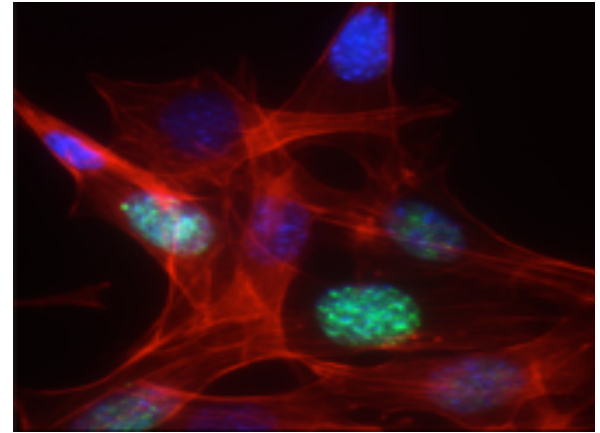
Bright-field



Fluorescence

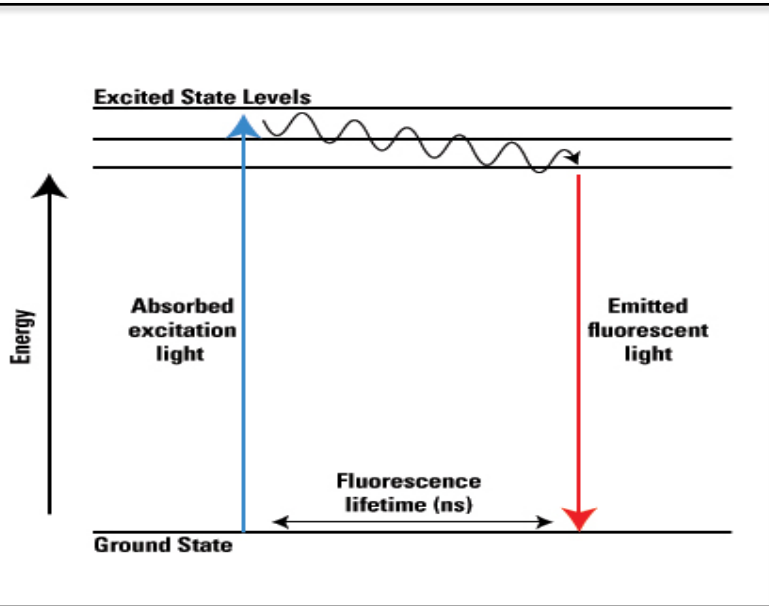
# Considerations for fluorescence imaging

- Pros:
  - Low background
  - Excellent contrast
  - Multiple colors
  - Molecular and structural specificity
  - Biochemical sensitivity for functional imaging ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , pH)
  - Genetic expression
  - Specialized techniques for 3D and high-resolution imaging
- Cons:
  - Expensive equipment: laser, filters, sensitive cameras, ...
  - Toxicity to cells
  - Need for fixing or gene manipulation
  - Does the added fluorophore moiety impair biological function?

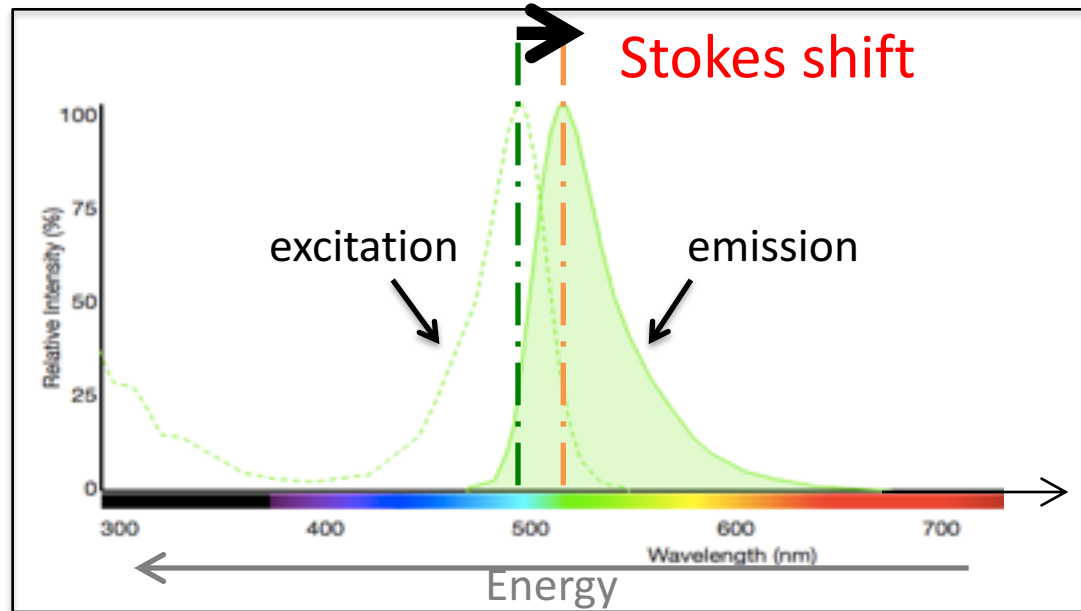


# Physical principles of fluorescence

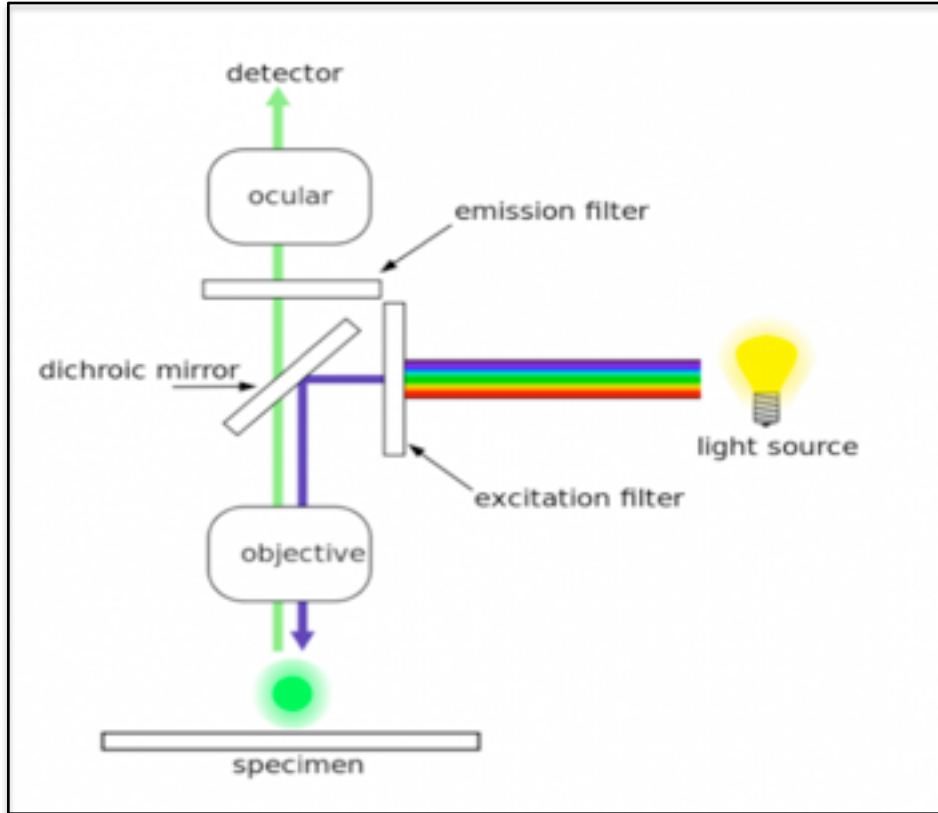
Jablonski diagram



Stokes (red) shift of emission wavelength

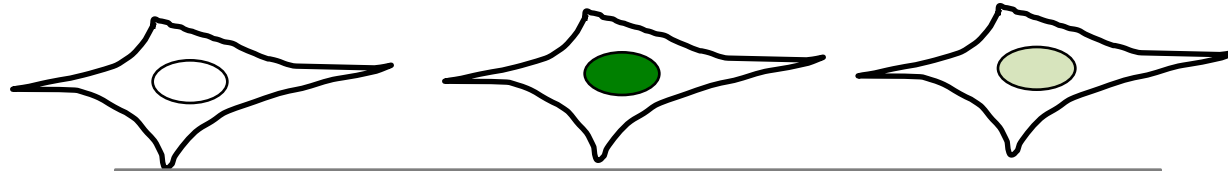


# Epi-fluorescence microscope



- Our secondary antibody
  - Excitation max 488 nm
  - Emission max 525 nm
- Filter set (cube) FITC
  - Selects/reflects \_\_\_\_\_ light
  - Transmits \_\_\_\_\_ light
- Emission filter
  - Allows ~90% of emitted green light to pass through
  - Attenuates excitation light by a factor of  $\sim 10^6$

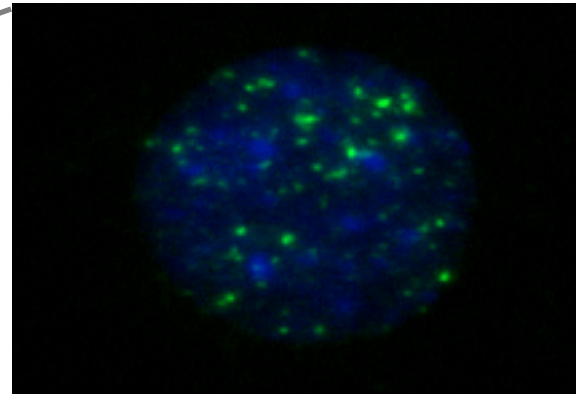
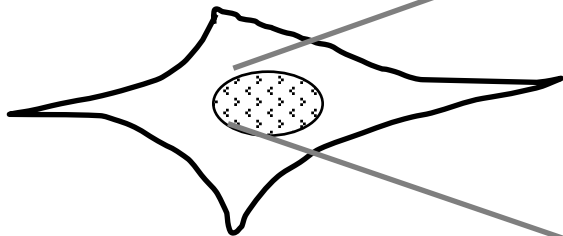
# Measuring DNA damage via $\gamma$ H2AX Assay



no treatment,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  treatment, recovery condition

**$\gamma$ H2AX = phosphorylated H2AX histone**, indicative of DSBs (and potentially other types of DNA damage)

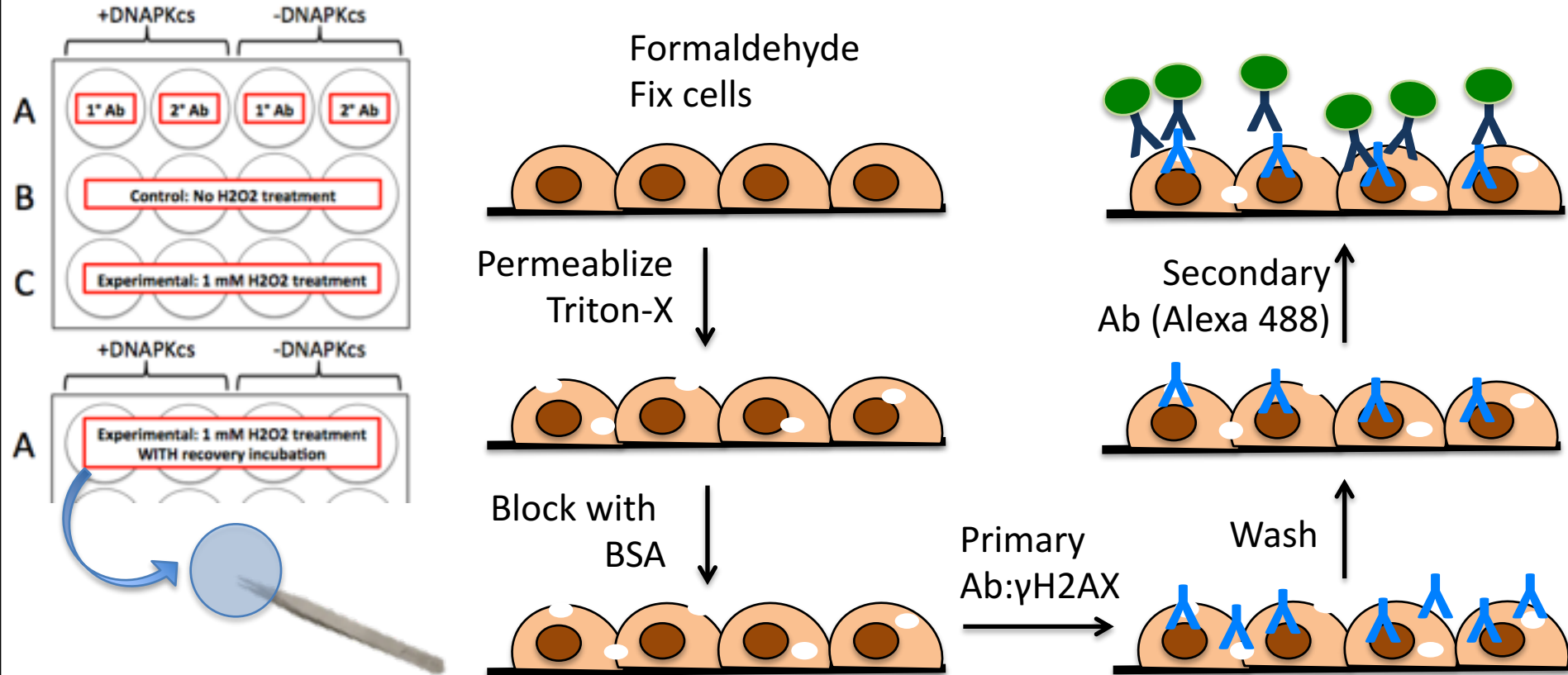
Fix cells and stain with antibody that marks  $\gamma$ H2AX



Blue: DNA  
Green:  $\gamma$ H2AX staining



# Practically using immunofluorescence: $\gamma$ H2AX assay to detect double-strand DNA breaks



## Together with Secondary Ab

## In mounting medium



Mount on glass slide

# Major assignments for Mod1

- Data summary draft
  - due by 10pm on Tuesday, October 9 on Stellar  
(filename: TeamColor\_LabSection\_DS.pptx)
  - revision due by 10pm on Sat., October 20

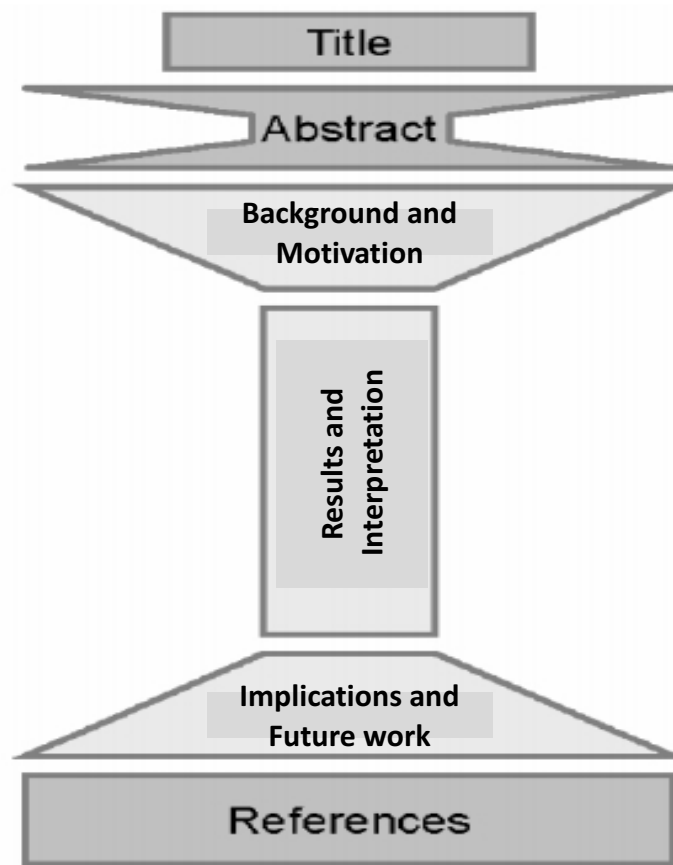
## Summary content

1. Title
2. Abstract
3. Background & Motivation
4. Figures, Results & Interpretation
5. Implications & Future Work

- Mini presentation due by 10pm on Sat., October 13
- Blog post for M1 due by 10pm on Wed., October 10

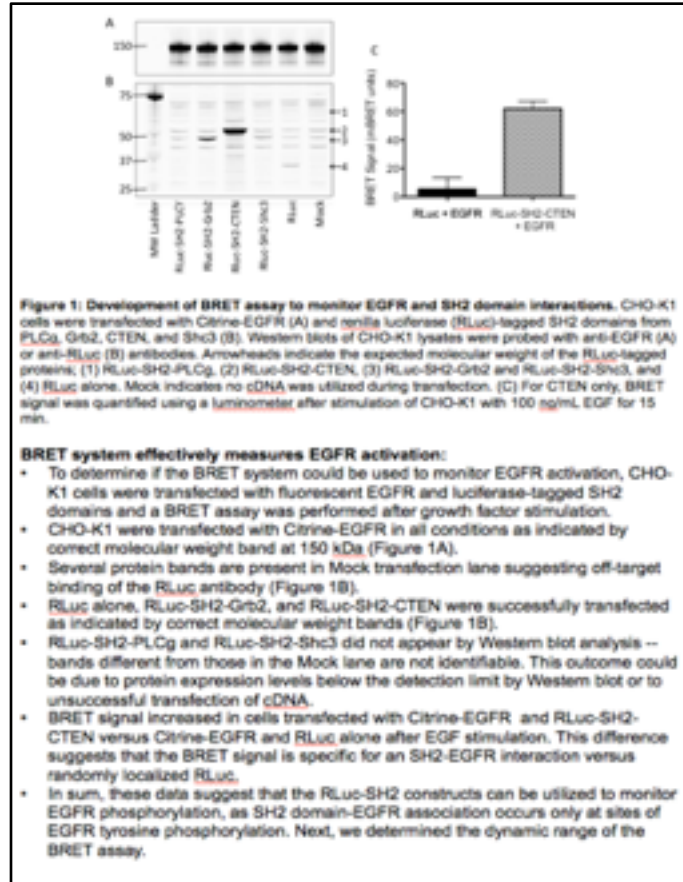
# M1 Data summary Architecture

Figures:



You already have  
most of the  
information you  
need. Start working  
on it now!

# Example Results slide (from Wiki)

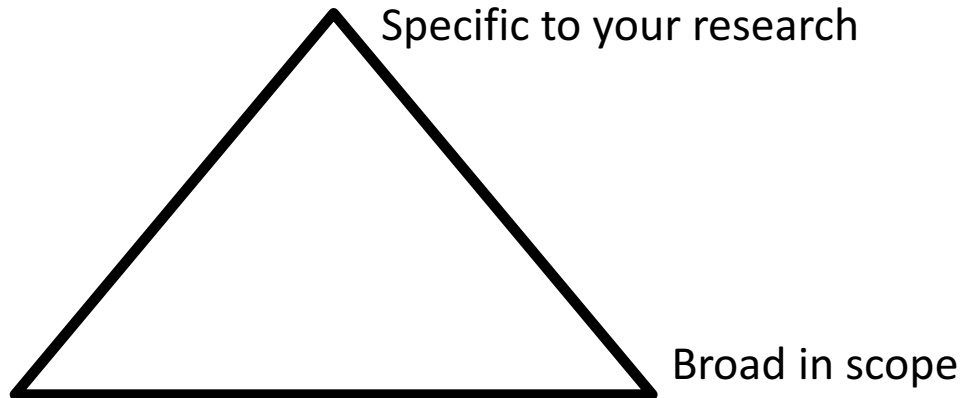


- In PowerPoint
- Limit figure size
- Bullet points

# HW M1D7: Implications & Future Works

## Implications and Future Work: potential topics [\[edit\]](#)

- **Topic:** Did your results match your expectations?
  - If no, provide a putative explanation. If yes, how can you further test if your hypothesis is correct?
- **Topic:** Based on the results, whether they matched your expectations or not, what experiments might you recommend next?
  - Follow-up experiments could distinguish between competing explanations of a given outcome or broaden the sample set for a question you already asked, to give just two examples.
- **Topic:** How might this assay be improved?
- **Topic:** How might this assay be used as a research tool? in the clinic? in industry?



**In your Data summary tie together (and mirror) your background and motivation, and implications and future work**

# Tips on writing Implications & Future Work

- Start with a very similar paragraph to the last paragraph in your Background/Motivation (restate major results and broad implications)
- Follow same order as in Figures/Results
  - Describe your conclusions from your data
  - Describe caveats and suggest remedy
  - Identify unknowns and speculate within reason
  - Don't make huge generalizations or overreach
- Propose future experiments, identify new questions that arise
- Come back to (the same) big picture topic introduced in background

## In lab today

1. Obtain aliquots and staining chamber from front bench
2. Begin staining coverslips
3. Paper discussion with Noreen at ~3:30pm
4. Work on Data Summary in down time