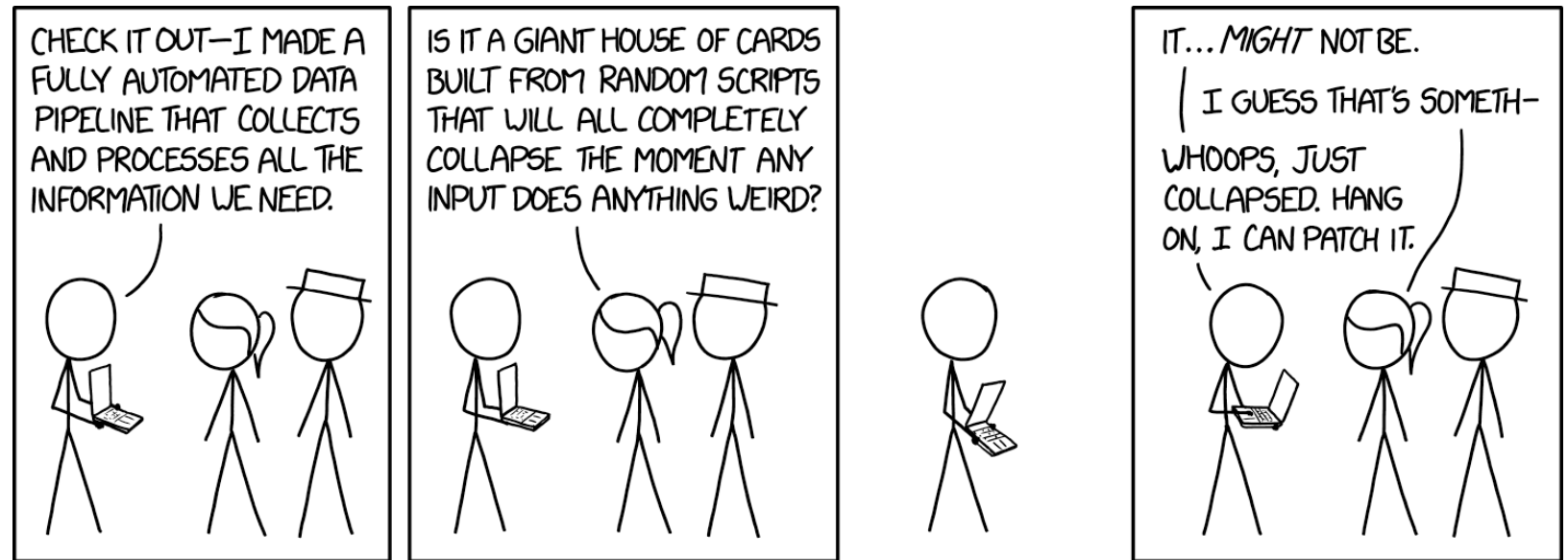


# M1D6: Image and analyze high-throughput genome damage assay



1. Prelab
2. Use Matlab to examine your CometChip data
3. Analyze CometChip data set to examine DNA damage repair



# Mod1 Overview

## Last lab:

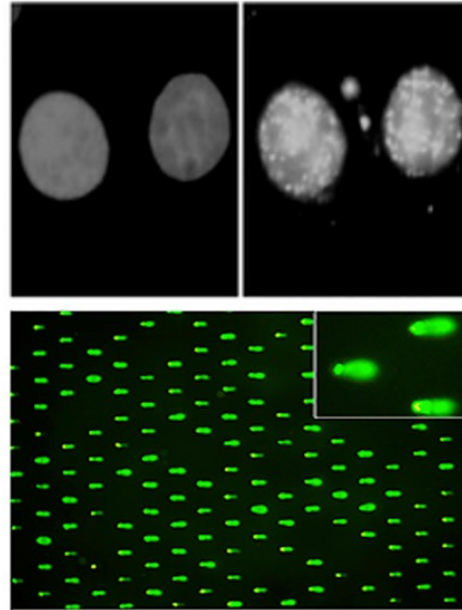
Comet Chip  
Exp

## This lab:

MATLAB  
analysis

## Next lab:

Stats /  
wrap up module



### 1. Use repair foci experiment to measure DNA breaks

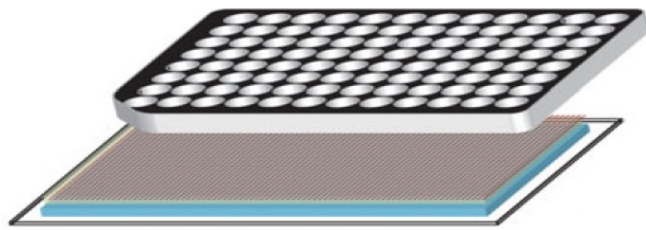
- Examine effect of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  +/- As on double strand DNA breaks by measuring  $\gamma\text{H2AX}$  foci formation

### 2. Use high-throughput genome damage assay to measure DNA damage

- Measure effects of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  +/- As on DNA damage by measuring DNA migration in agarose matrix

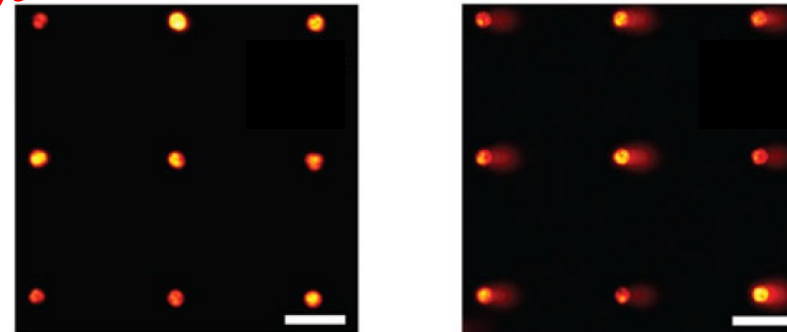
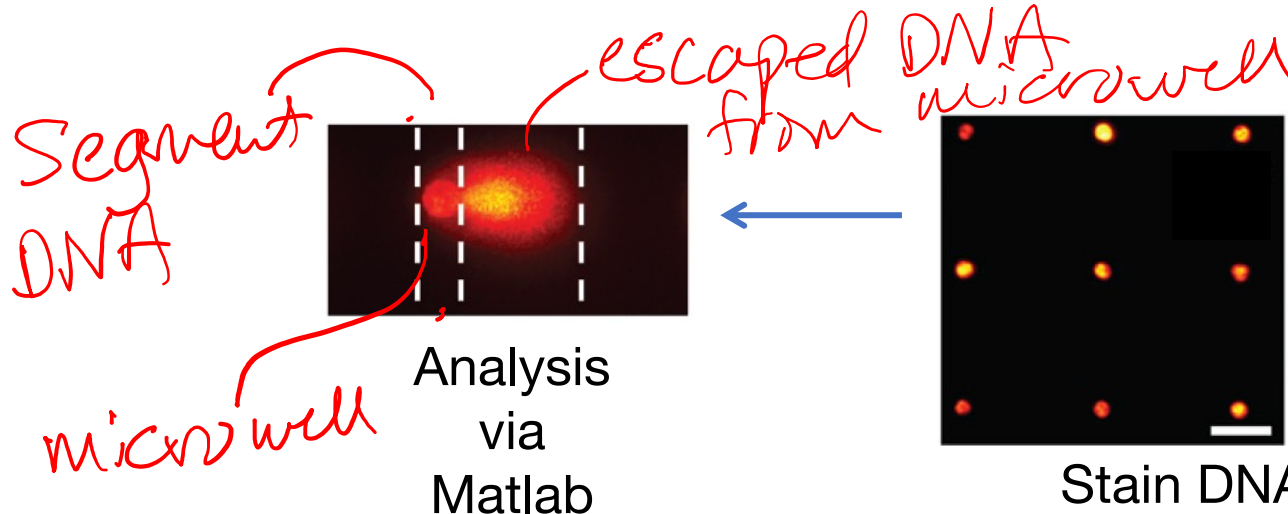
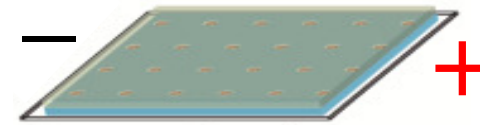
# Overview of CometChip Assay: chemically treating cells and visualization

Treat captured cells in comet chip with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  and As



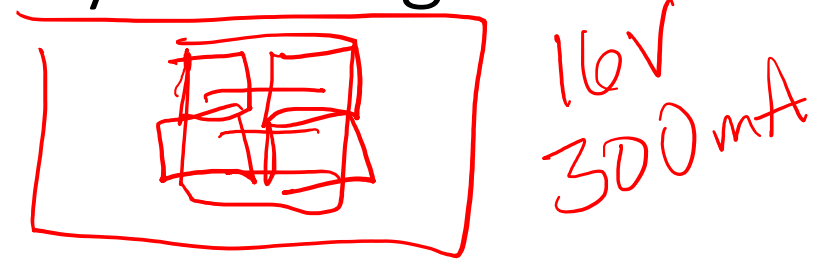
Lyse cells & unwind DNA  
(DNA still captured  
agarose in overlay)

Agarose Electrophoresis



Stain DNA and image via  
fluorescence microscopy

SYBR  
Gold

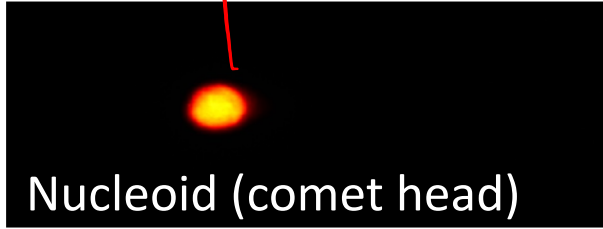


# Output of the alkaline CometChip assay

Alkaline  
Comet chip

current  
→ -

supercoil of DNA - where nucleus was



## No Damage

- Supercoiled nucleoid
- Little or no migration



migrating  
DNA

## High Damage

- • SSBs, DSBs, abasic sites, alkali labile sites, sites of incomplete excision repair
- forms a "comet tail"

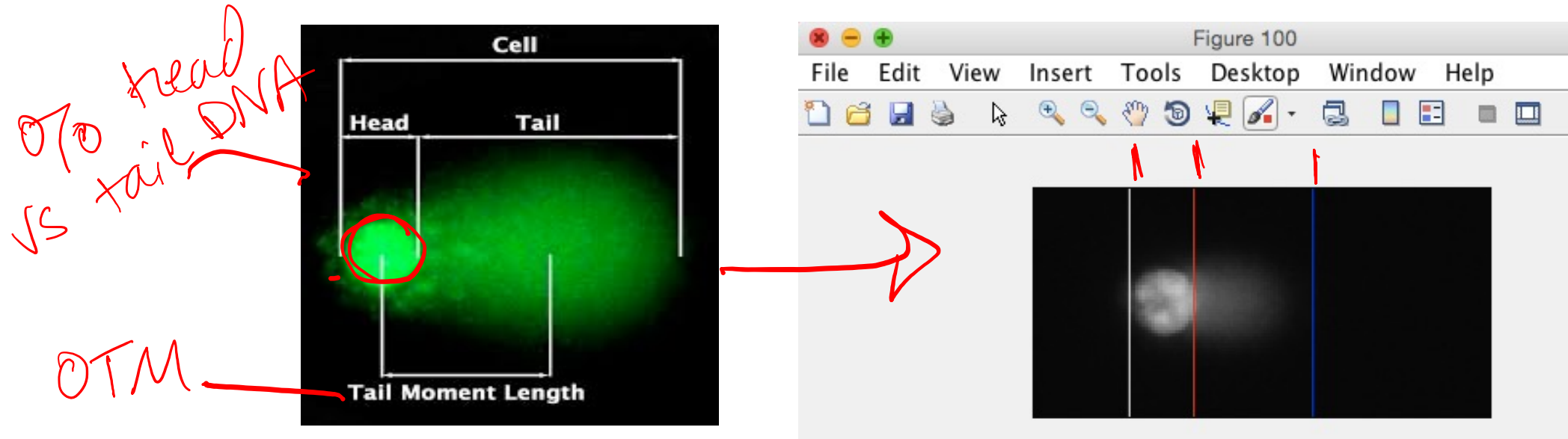
release supercoil  
tension

\* Nuclear DNA normally supercoiled

\* DNA breaks and fragmentation releases tension

\* Unwound DNA will migrate in response to electrical current to create comet

# How will you assess and analyze CometChip data?



- Assess comet images in MATLAB
  - Do recommended parameters (on wiki) accurately measure most comets in your sample?

- Have a “class data example” folder in Dropbox for analysis if your data is confusing

- Use Excel to analyze compiled CometChip data
  - Graph % Tail DNA for Data Summary

median from macronutrient  
Berin's lab does  
this

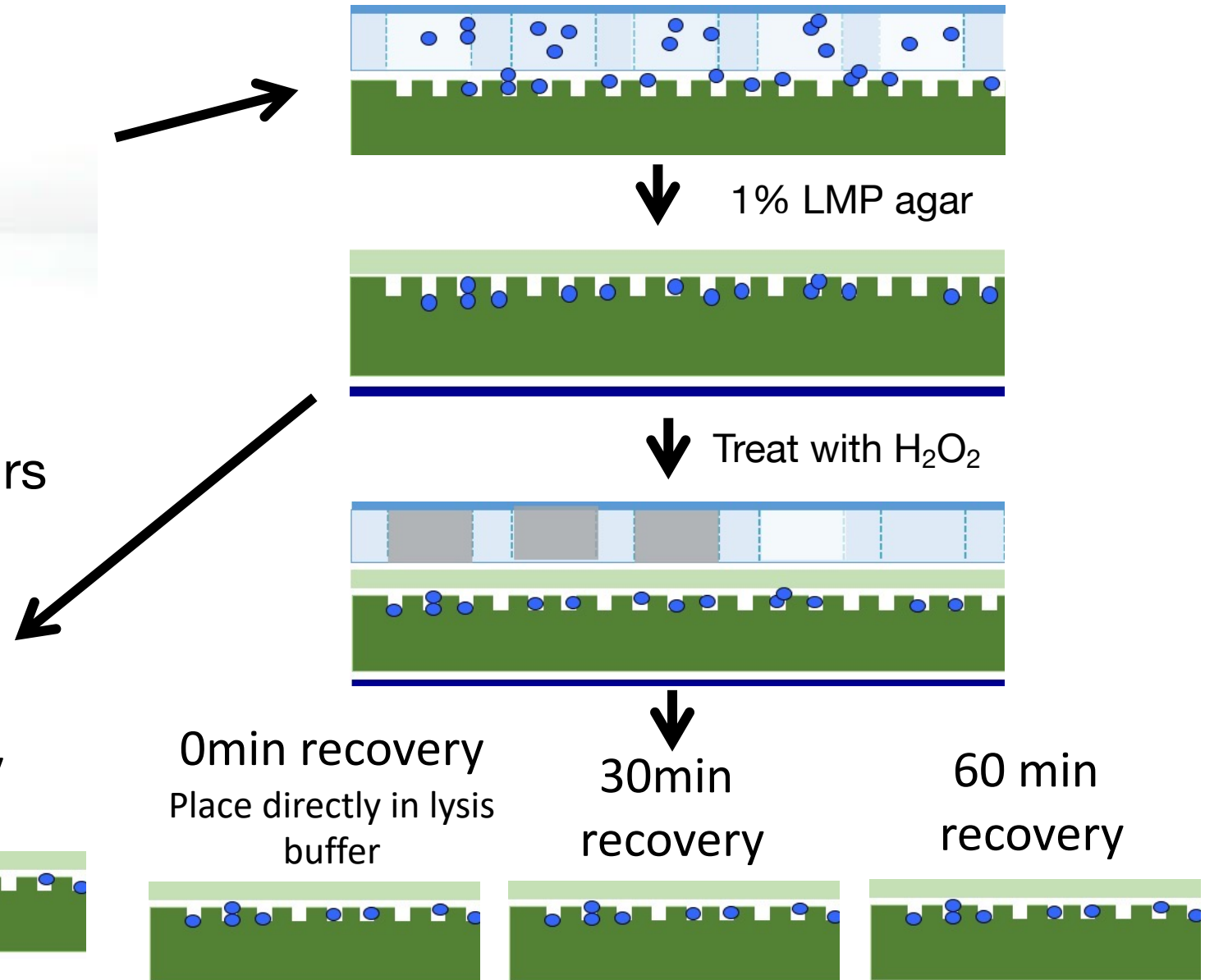
# Data image labels

- The MATLAB script requires a specific naming scheme
- Use these image names to decode your data
- `_01A_ / _02A_ / _03A_` = column A = No H2O2 No As
- `_01B_ / _02B_ / _03B_` = column B = No H2O2 10uM As
- `_01C_ / _02C_ / _03C_` = column C = No H2O2 40uM As
- `_01D_ / _02D_ / _03D_` = column D = H2O2 No As
- `_01E_ / _02E_ / _03E_` = column E = H2O2 10uM As
- `_01F_ / _02F_ / _03F_` = column F = H2O2 40uM As

# Overview of the repair CometChip assay



Treat with As for 24hrs

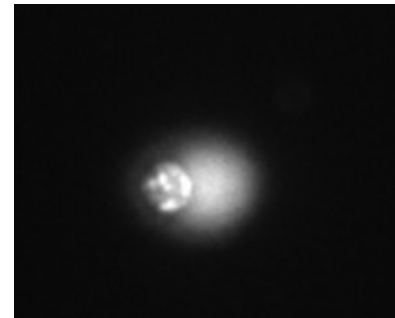


# Examine CometChip images for visual examples to include in Data Summary Figure

- Can use example individual comets for each condition
- Pull them out of ImageJ



No Treatment



40uM As + 5uM H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>



# For Today

1. Use Matlab to analyze comets from CometChip experiments
2. Analyze repair CometChip data from linked Excel sheet
3. Begin work on Data Summary

## For M1D7

- Answer the Homework questions to frame your Implications & Future Works section for the Data Summary
- With your lab partner, revise your methods draft and add methods for M1D3

# Notes on homework

- Homework in total = 10% of the final grade
- Goal:
  - tell you how to start
  - have you practice using wiki and prelab guidelines
  - grade as though it's a final assignment so you know where you need to get
- Homework grades are always low (past classes average ~ 80%)
  - Homework grades increase throughout the semester (repeat assignments)
- Anytime you want to talk about how you are doing in the class- just ask!