

# Integrating Globus into a Science Gateway for Cryo-EM

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# Executive summary

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**Biologists need atomic-detailed structures** of proteins in order to understand healthy and diseased states of organisms at the molecular level.

A **revolution** has occurred in structural biology  
- these questions can now be answered with  
**cryo-electron microscopy (cryo-EM)**

*But...*

Cryo-EM is a big data technology, generating  
**20+TB per person per project**

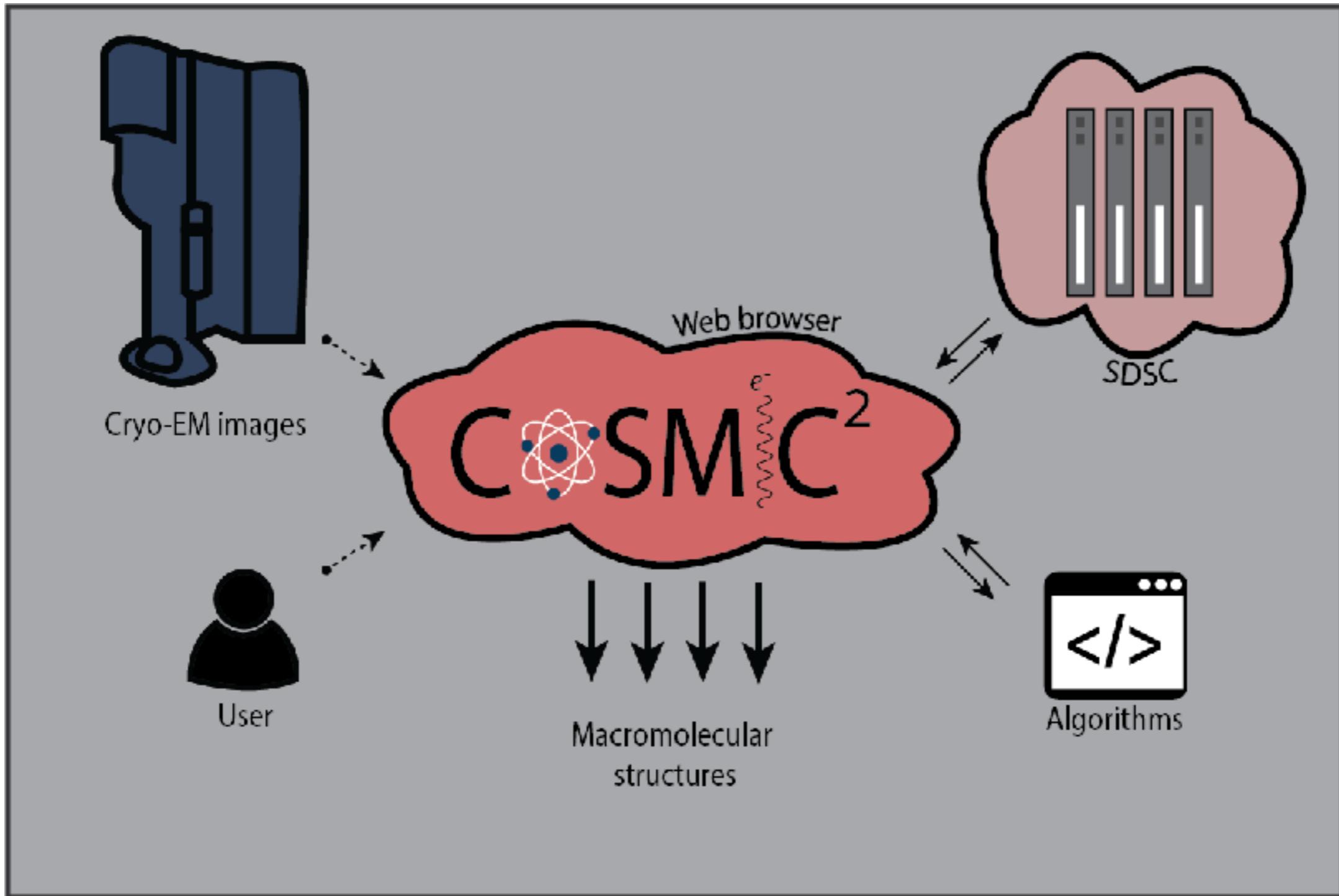
*So...*

We **incorporated Globus into a web-platform** to allow point-and-click data upload & analysis on HPC resources

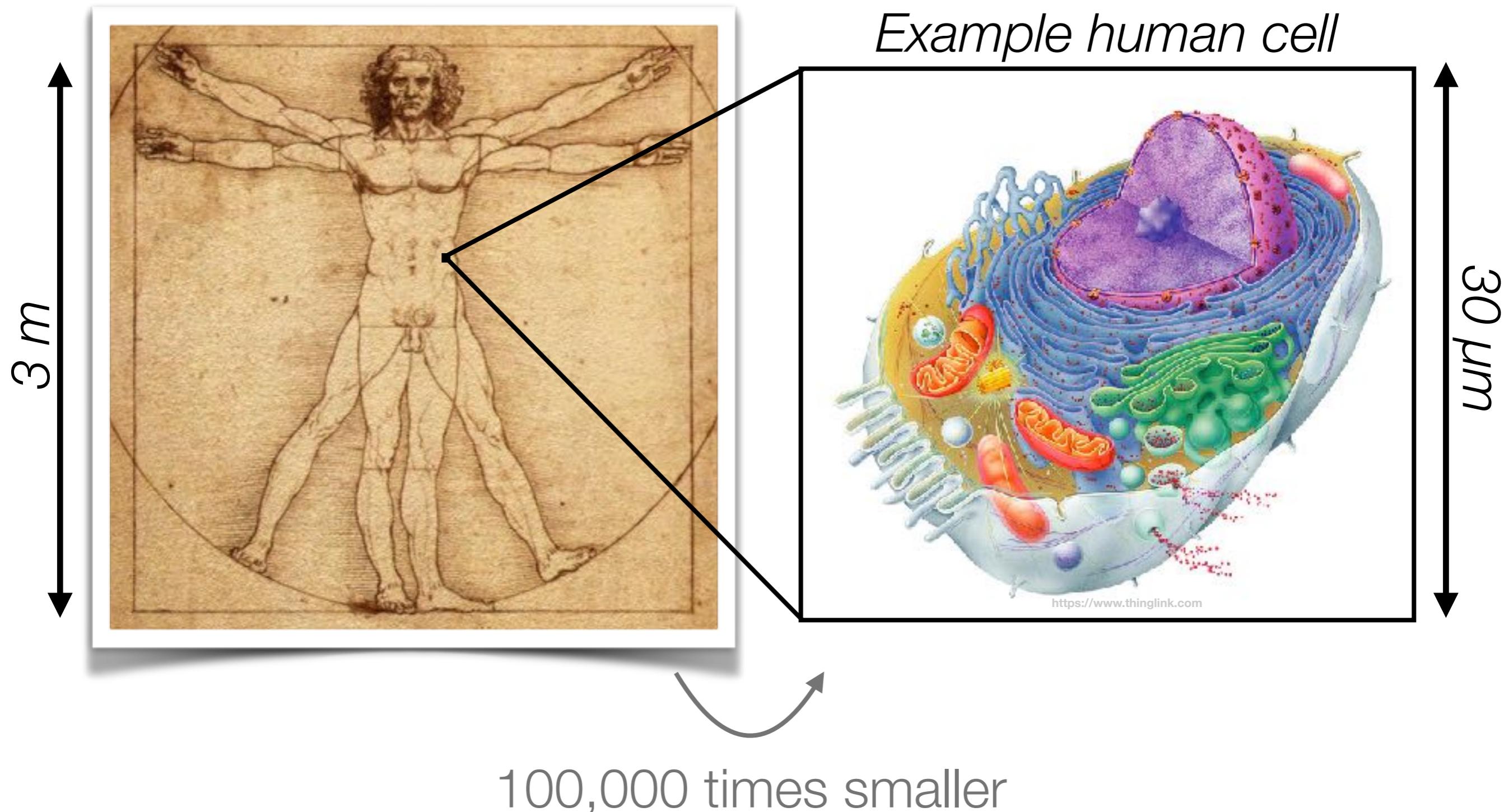


# COSMIC<sup>2</sup>: a platform for determine cryo-EM protein structures

Cryo-EM Open Source Multiplatform Infrastructure for Cloud Computing

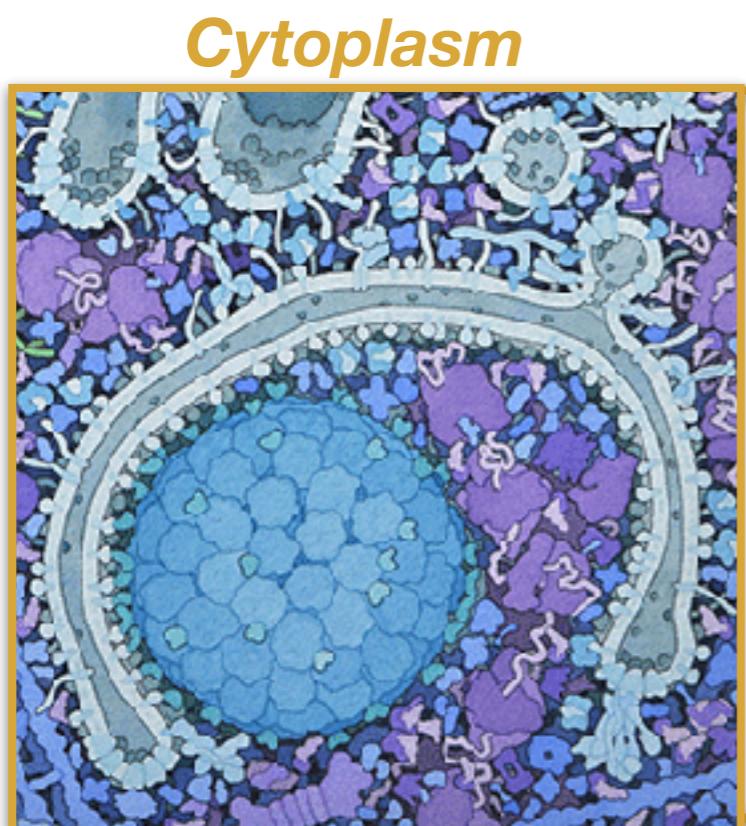


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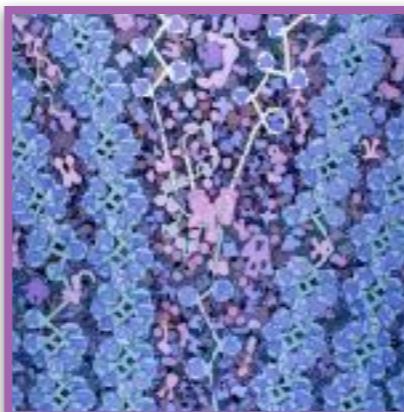


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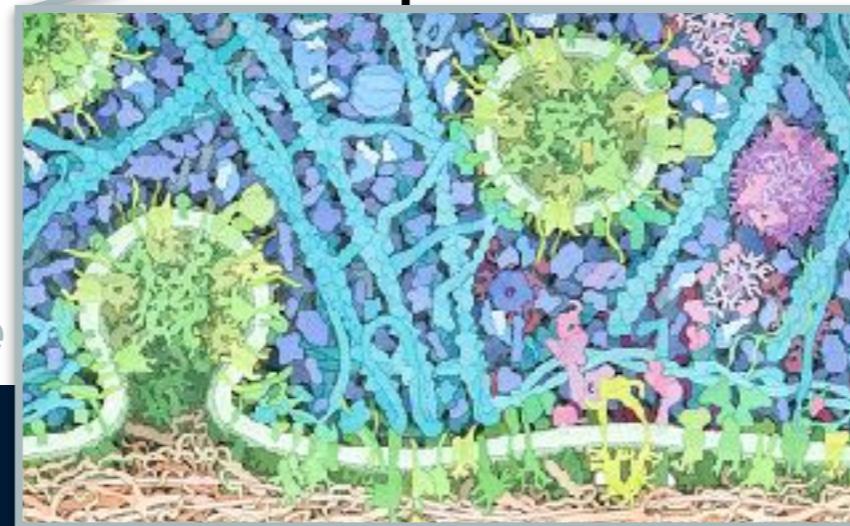
*\*\*Model\*\* illustrations*



*Nucleus*

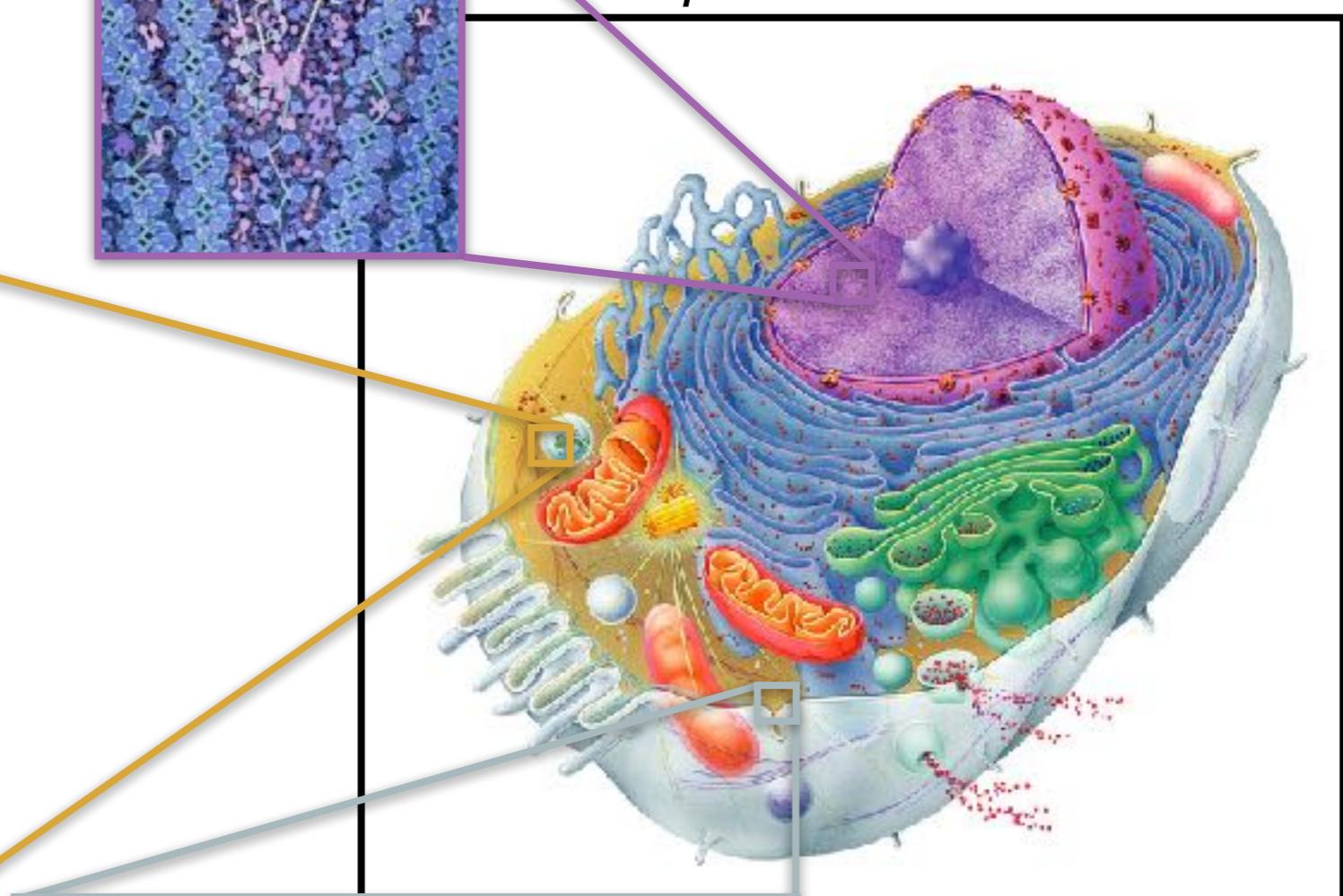


*Cytoplasm*



*Plasma membrane*

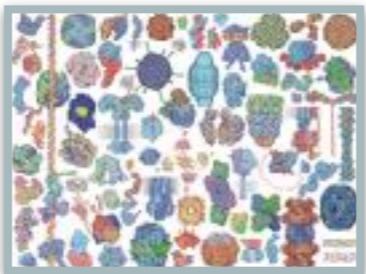
*Example human cell*



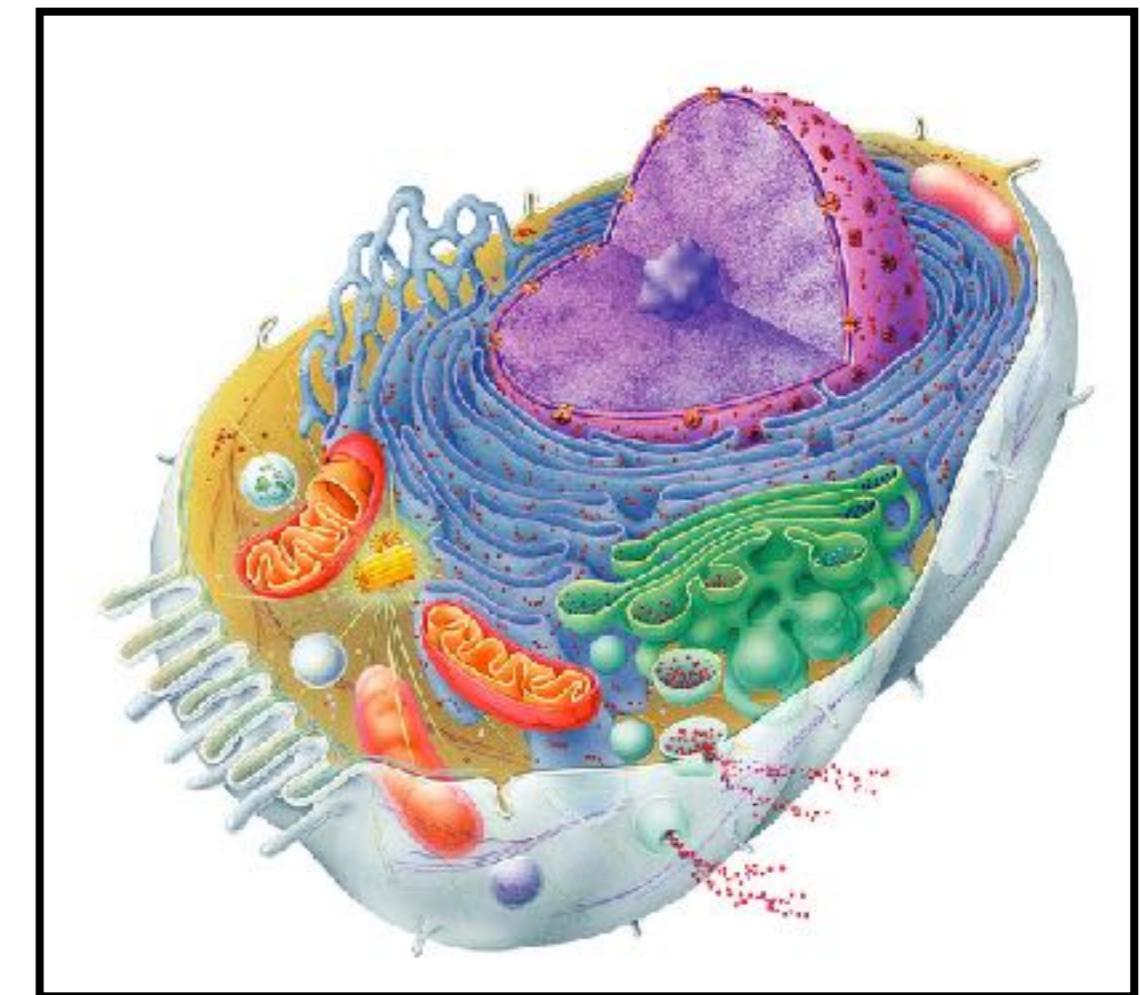
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*Example subset of proteins (~100)*



*Example human cell*

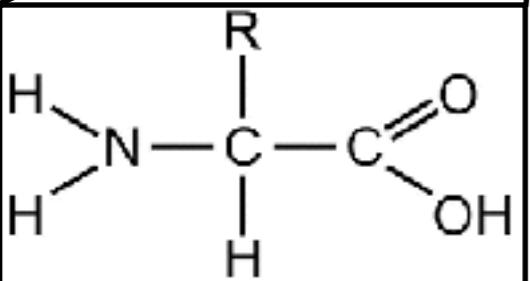


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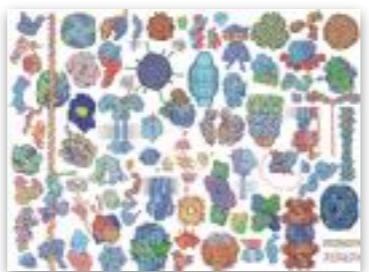
*Diagram of ~100 proteins / molecules*

Example subset of

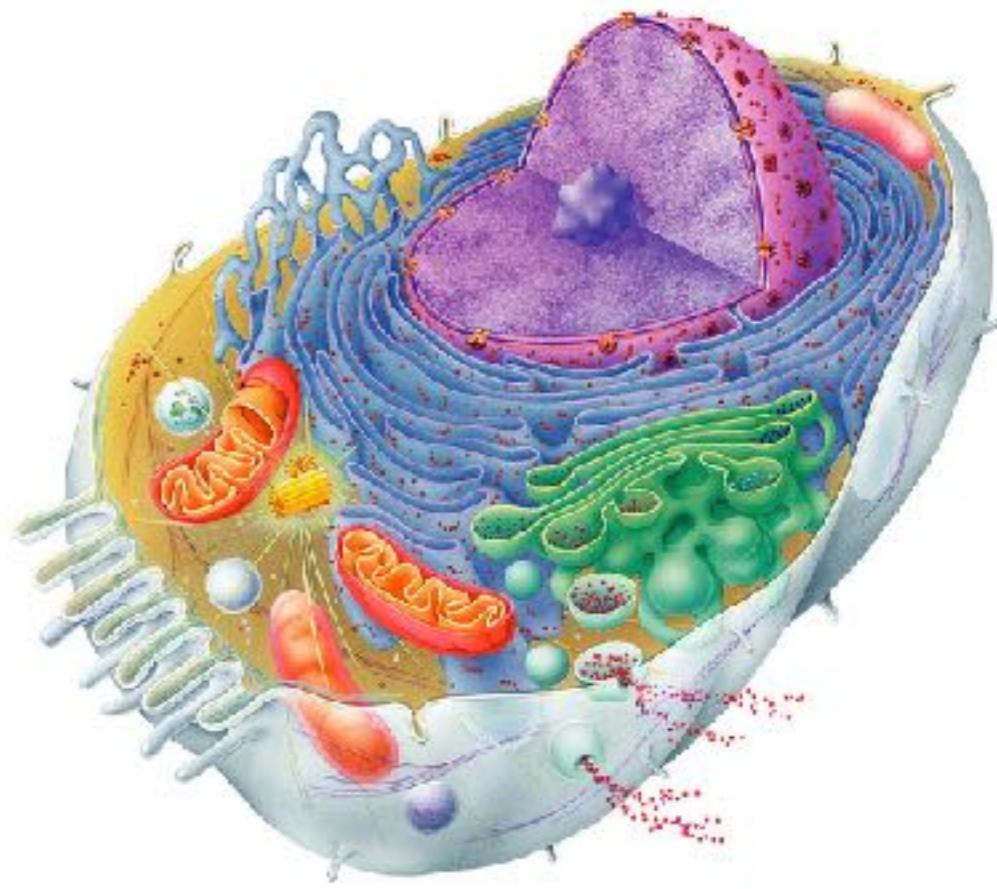
proteins (~100)



Amino  
acid



*Example human cell*



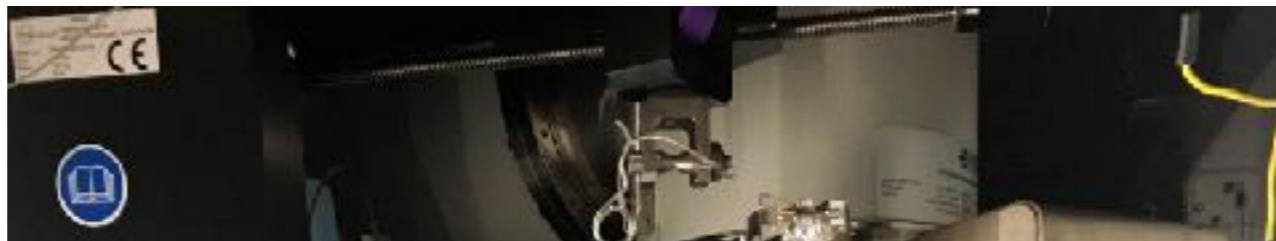
3  $\mu\text{m}$

- ▶ Humans have 21,000 genes
- ▶ Predicted to form 100,000 different types of proteins

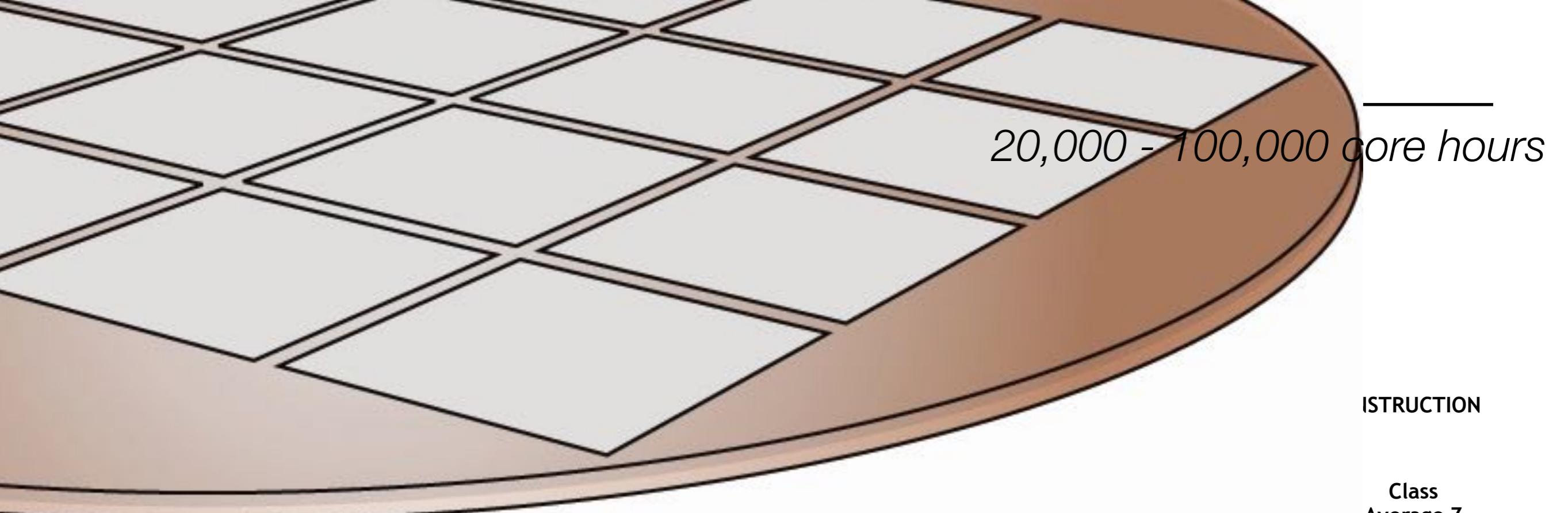
Proteins are linear chains of amino acids strung together (Usually > 300)

# Cryo-EM utilizes transmission electron microscopes to take images of proteins

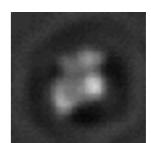
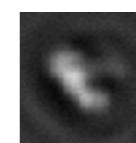
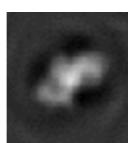
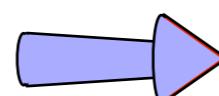
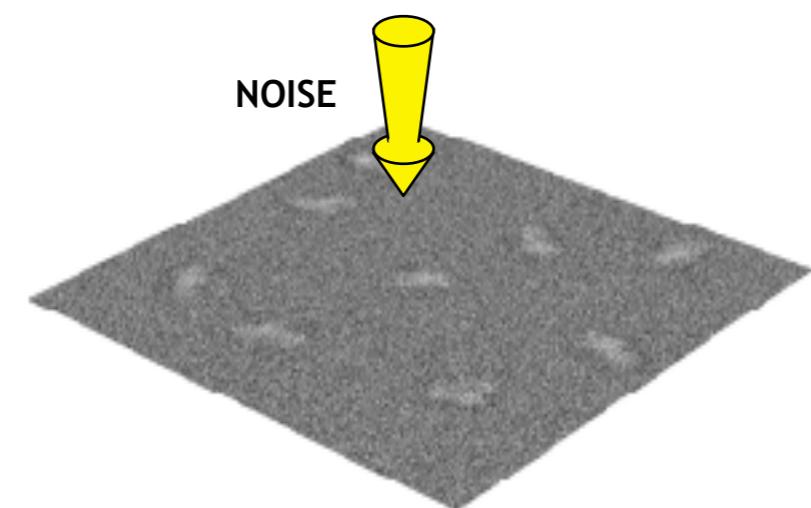
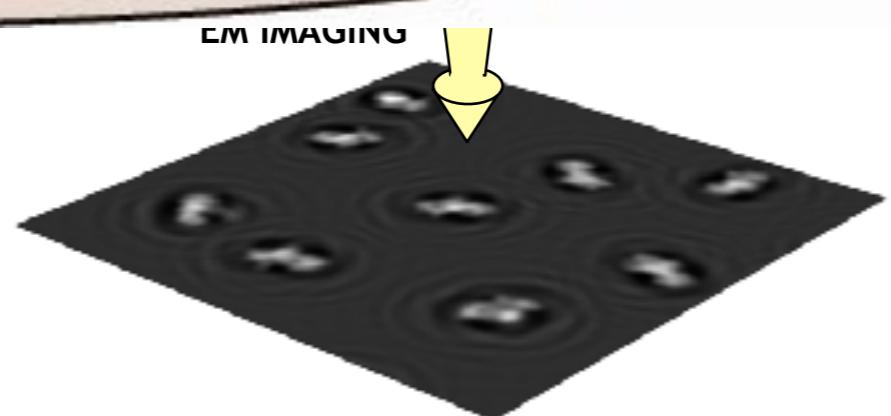
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*“10k” generation*



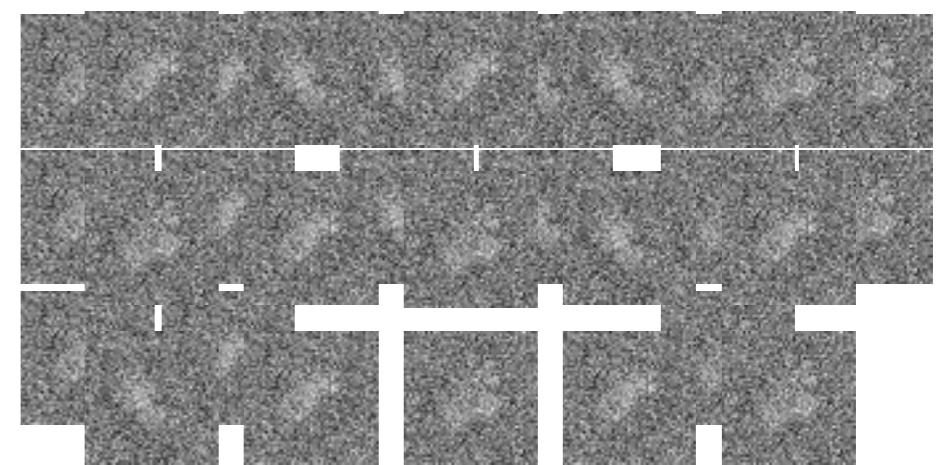
STRUCTION



Class X

Class Y

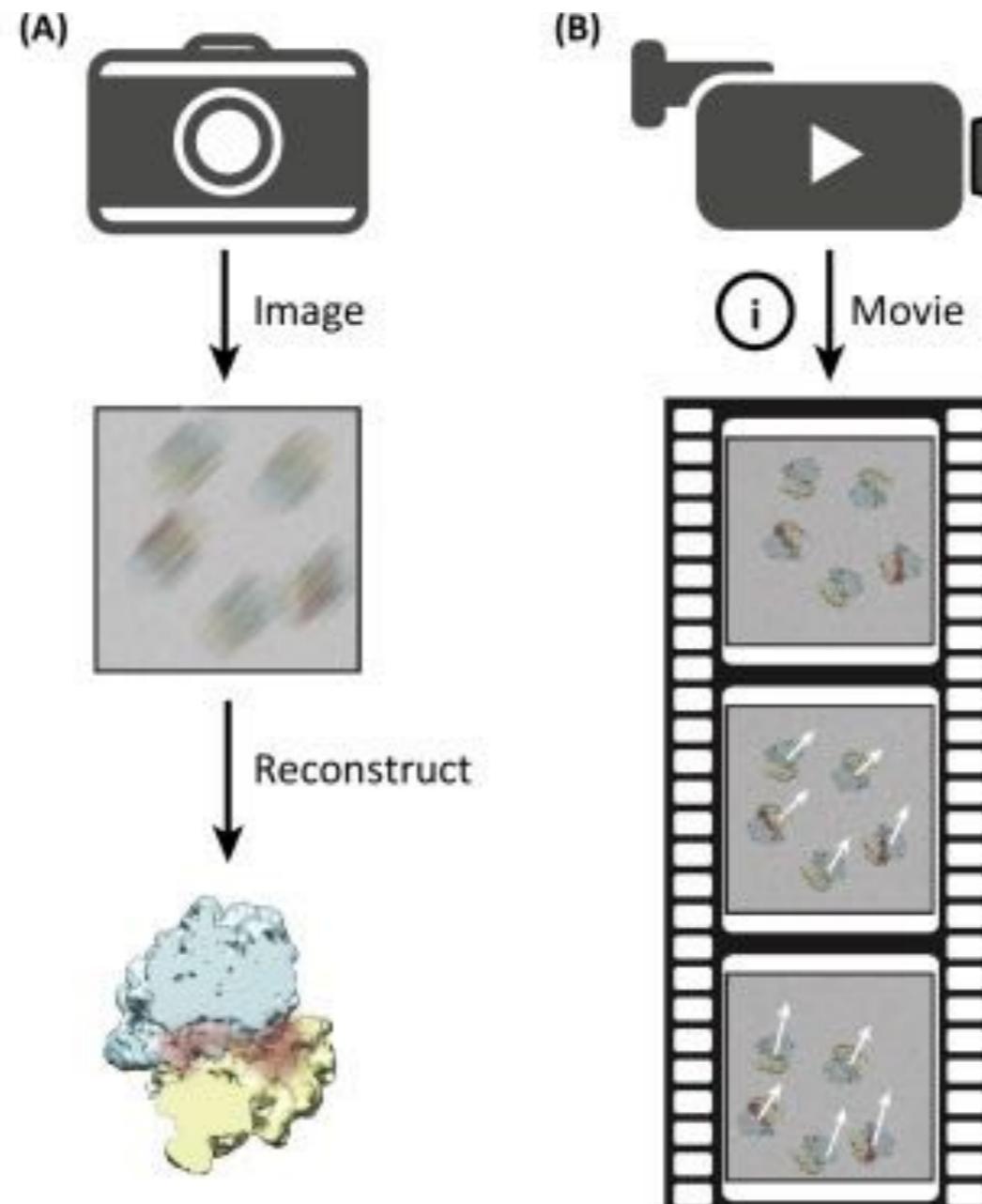
Class Z



CLASSIFICATION



# Cryo-EM relies on movies instead of images of protein samples



4000 x 4000 pixels  
~50 frames

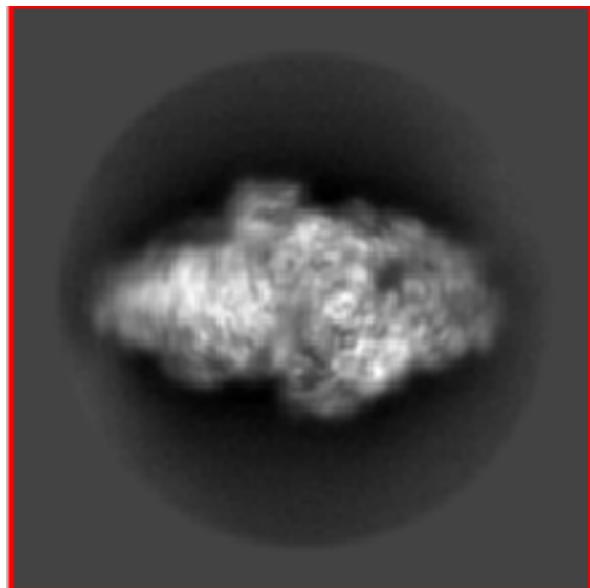
1-5 GB / movie

1 movie / minute (24/7)

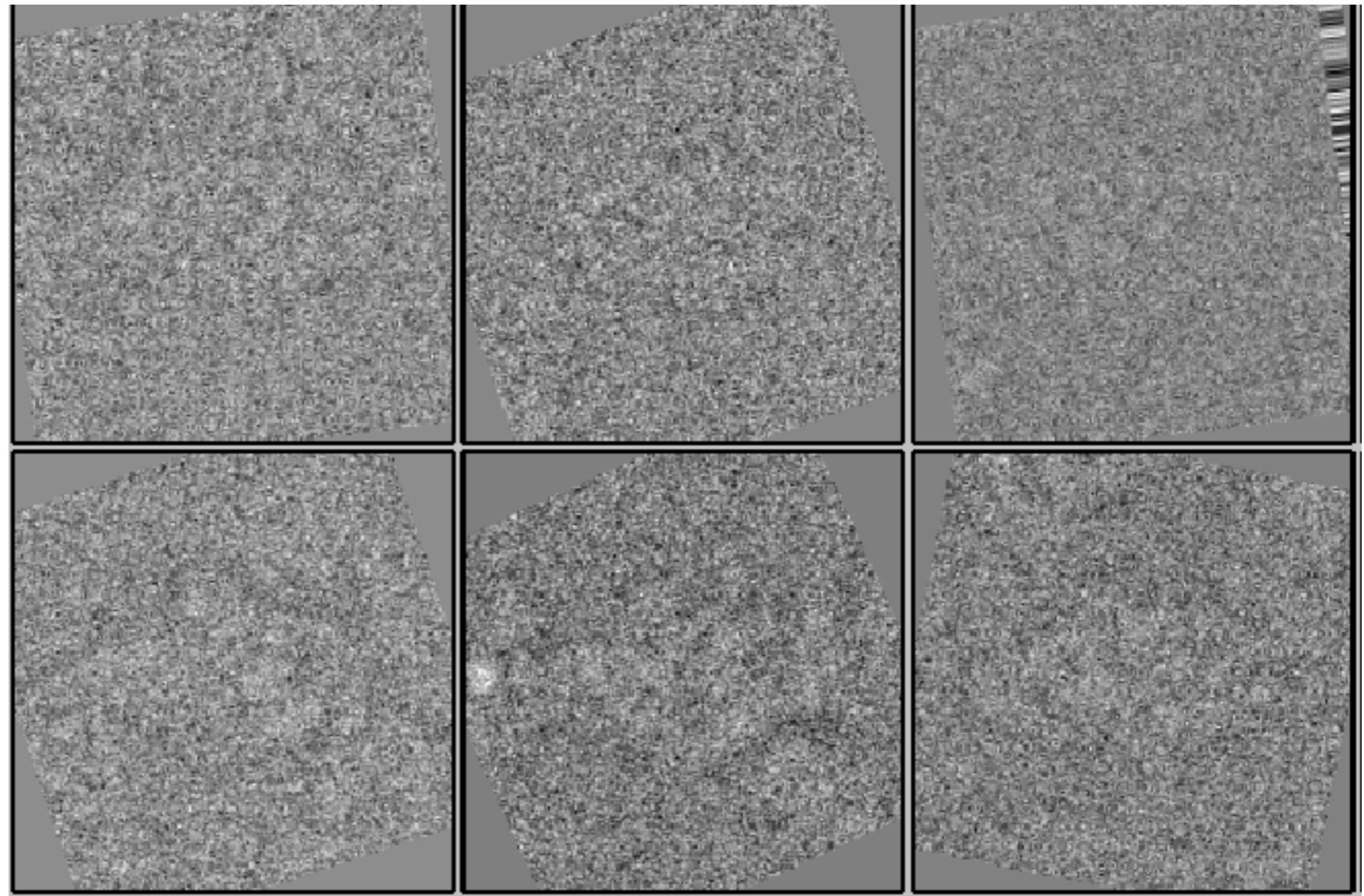
Bai et al. 2015

# Cryo-EM data is low SNR...

Grouped into classes and averaged to create averaged images:



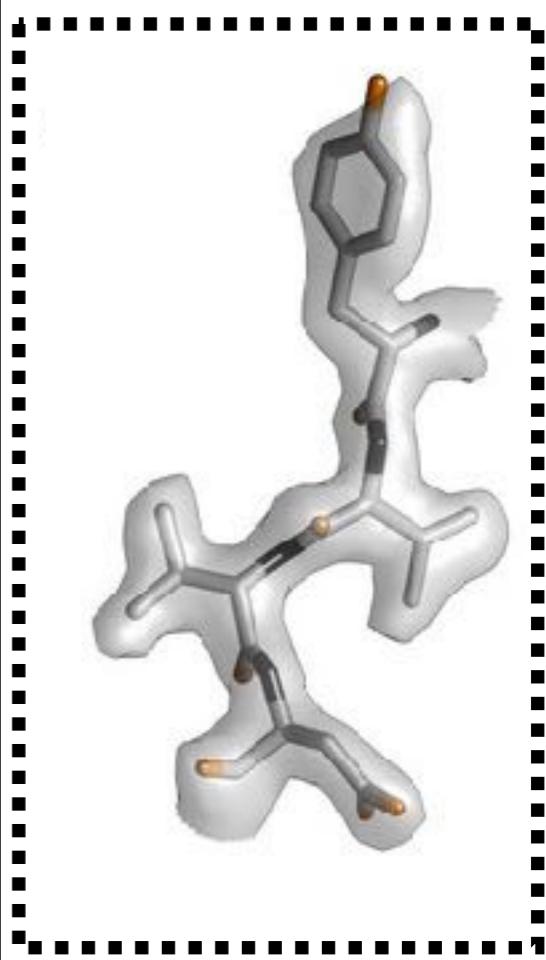
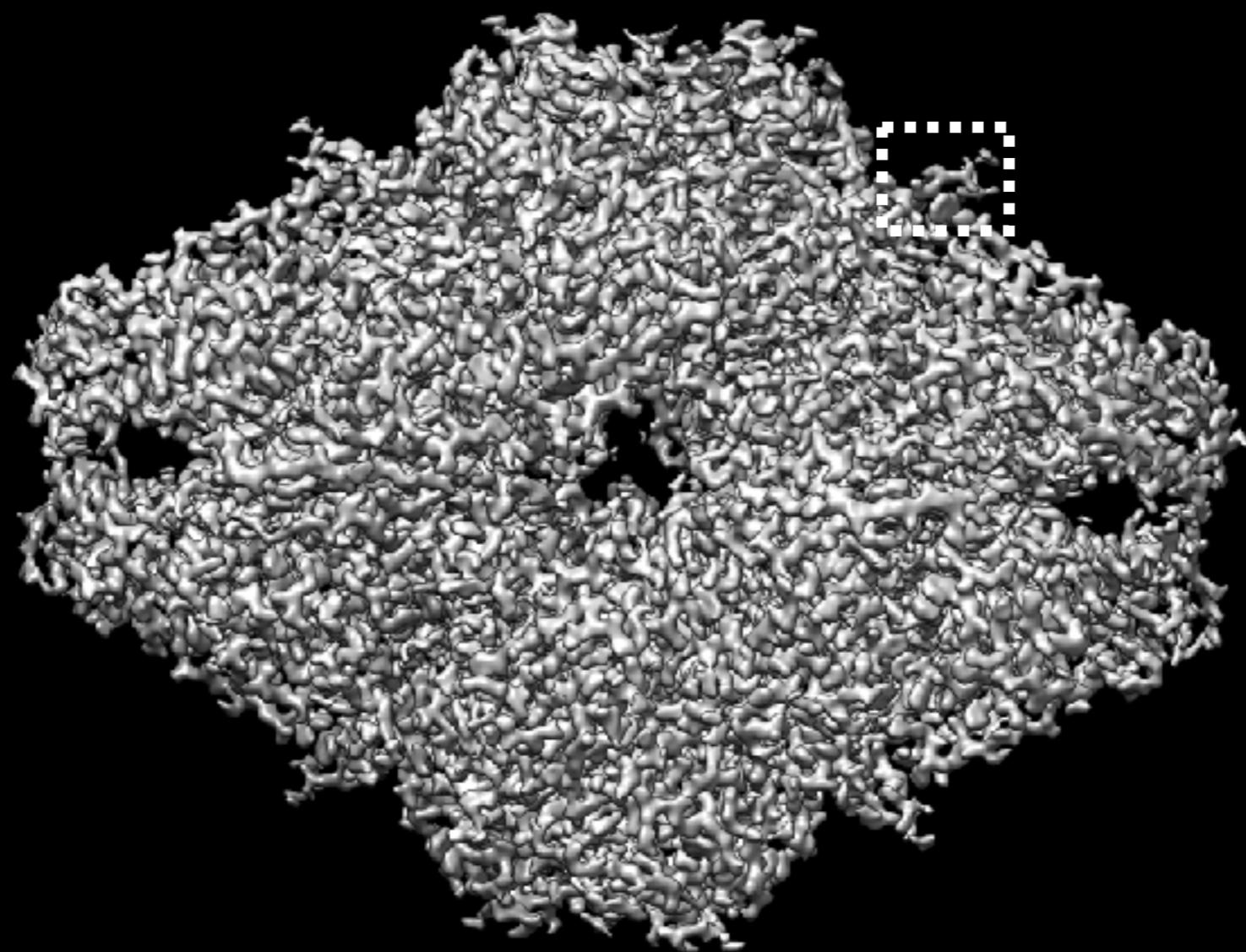
Averaged image



Individual particles in averaged image

# ...but can solve atomic protein structures

Combine data together in 3D dimensions



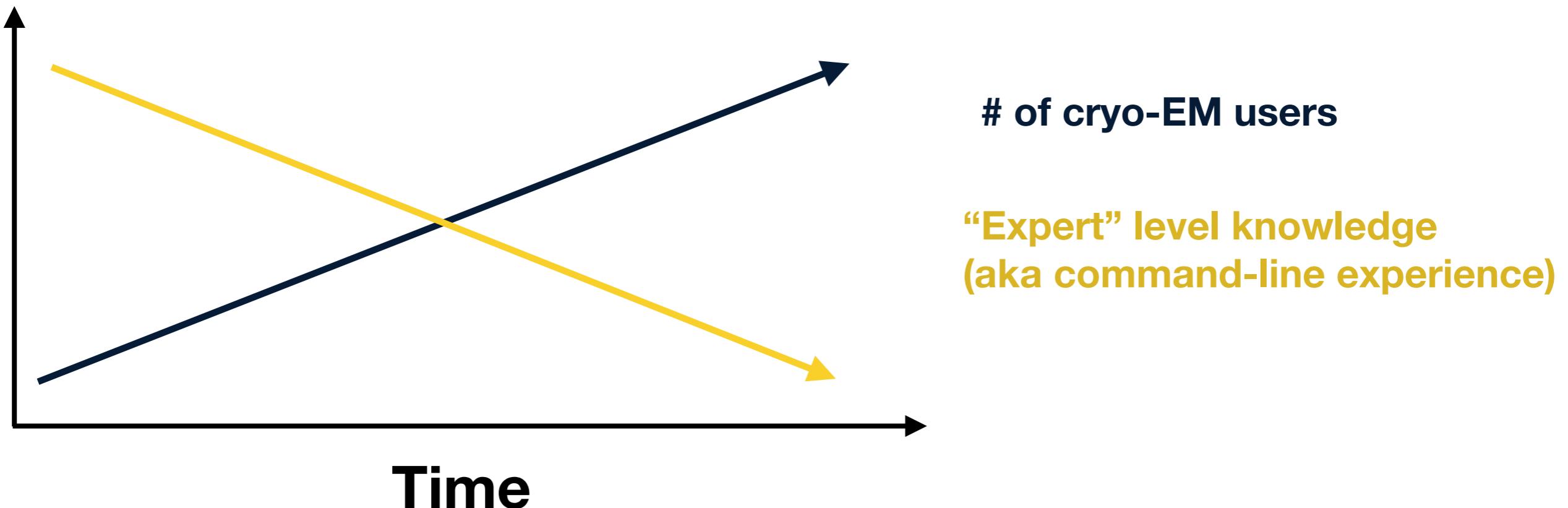
Atomic protein structure from ~400,000 images  
(12 TB)

Allows atomic  
model to be built

# 2017 Nobel Prize in Chemistry



# Cryo-EM is undergoing a rapid expansion



Instrument collects ~2 TB / day (24/7)  
-> Each individual requires collecting ~10 - 20 TB

~60 instruments in the US, growing quickly



# Building a science gateway for cryo-EM

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## Short term:

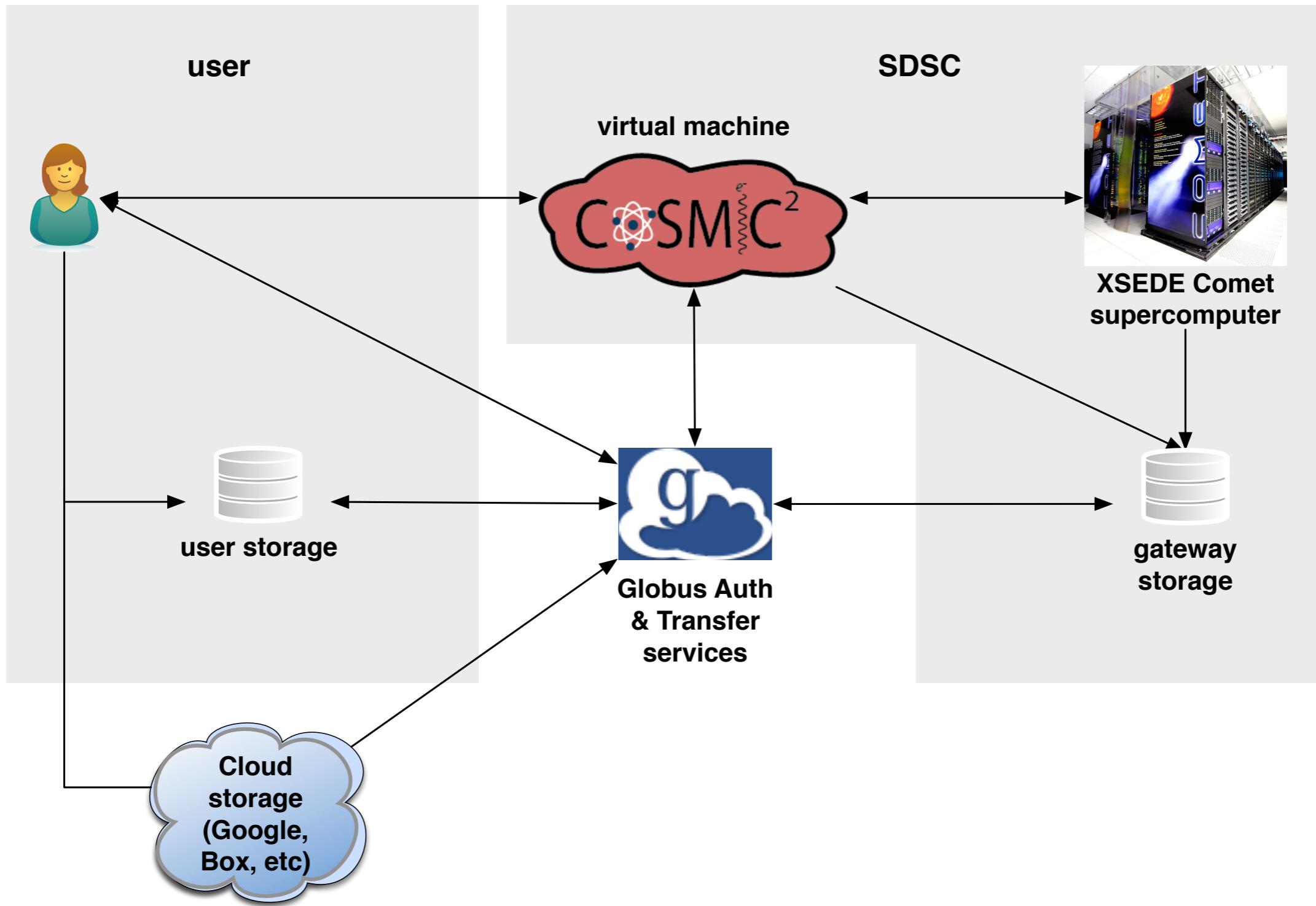
1. Remove command-line interface for cryo-EM job submission
2. Remove decisions regarding HPC job environment
3. Create centralized location for data analysis software

## Long term:

1. Connect users to cloud storage
2. Become platform for training and implementing advanced algorithm development
  - e.g. Machine learning / neural networks
3. Integrate educational materials to train next generation of structural biologists

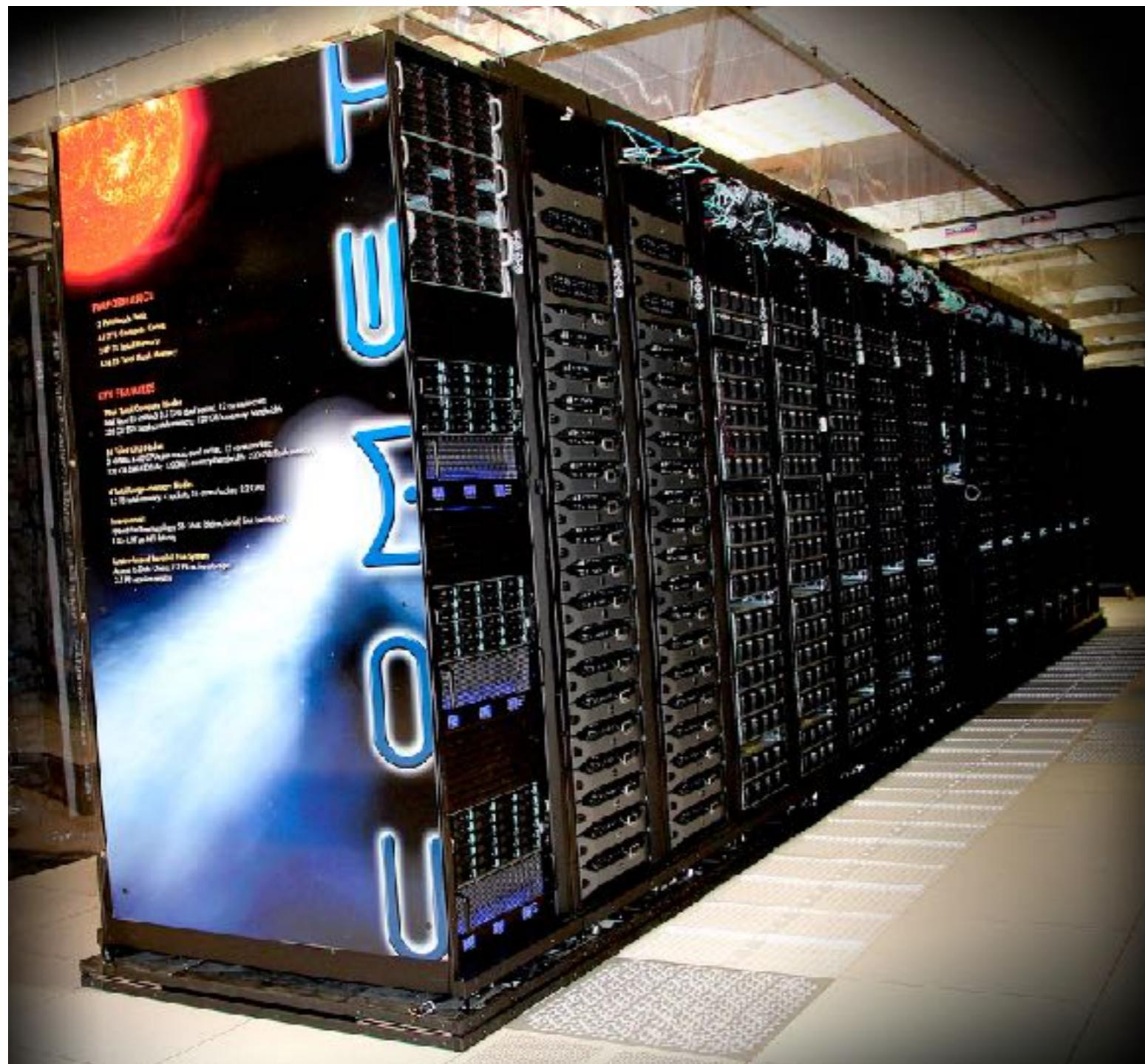


# Globus as a central hub for COSMIC<sup>2</sup>



# Comet supercomputer at San Diego Supercomputer Center

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46,656 CPUs

288 GPUs

**XSEDE**

Extreme Science and Engineering  
Discovery Environment



## Computing allocations

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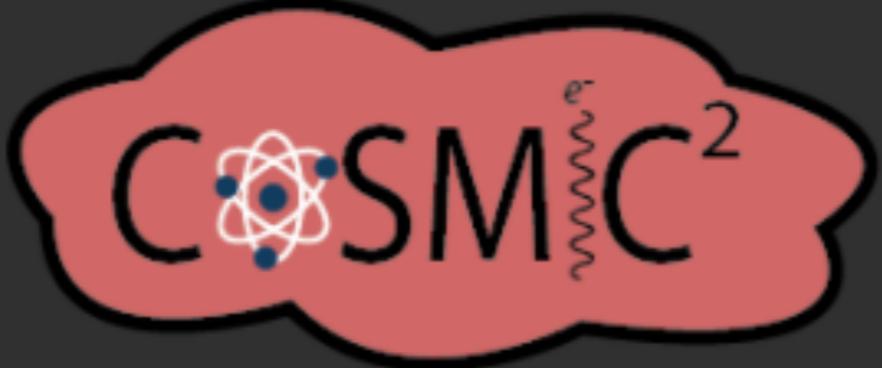
***Current allocation on COSMIC<sup>2</sup>:*** ~25,000 GPU-hours

***All users:*** 500 GPU hours (free, no questions asked)

*If you run out:*

- Apply for supplement from COSMIC<sup>2</sup>
- Receive guidance on how to submit XSEDE computing allocation from COSMIC<sup>2</sup>





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## Welcome to COSMIC<sup>2</sup>!

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This is a *freely available*, science gateway for cryo-EM structure determination.

Please login below with your university credentials and then you are ready to go!

[Login](#)

Questions about this login process? Please [read more here](#).





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## Log in to use COSMIC2

Use your existing organizational login

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## Folders

Total Storage: 0 bytes

Gateways 2017

- [Data \(2\)](#)
- [Tasks \(1\)](#)

### Welcome

[Create New Folder](#)

## Current Folder Details

Label Gateways 2017

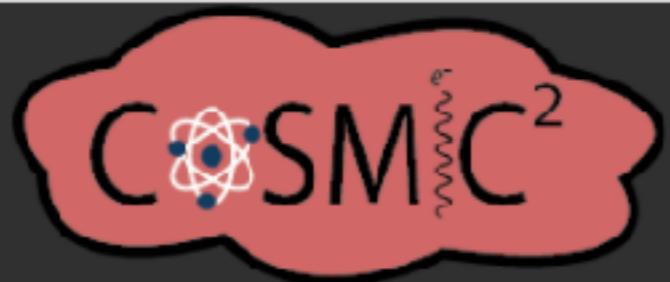
Description Demo project for Gateways 2017

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## Folders

Total Storage: 0 bytes

- 📁 First test
  - 📄 Data (1)
  - 📅 Tasks (1)

Enter name of  
Globus endpoint

**Endpoint Search:**[Add](#)**My Endpoints**  
[Select your endpoint](#)[Add](#)

## My Endpoints

Please register your Globus Connect Personal Endpoints.

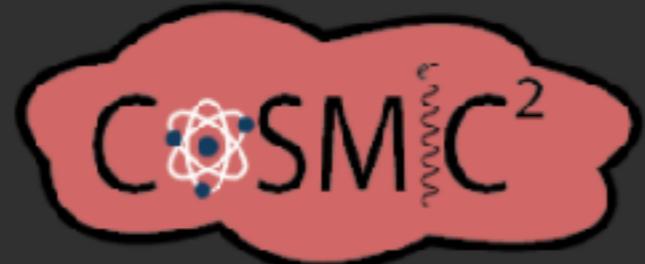
## XSEDE Endpoint

Endpoint	List Files
COSMIC2 Science Gateway storage on XSEDE Comet	<a href="#">List</a>

## Transfer

Please register your Globus Endpoints.





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Find endpoint  
in list

## Globus Transfer Service

### Endpoint Search:

LSI-CryoEM

LSI-XTAL

LSI-CryoEM

M Life Sciences Institute - Crystallography Endpoint  
PI Life Sciences Institute - CryoEM Endpoint

### XSEDE Endpoint

#### Endpoint

COSMIC2 Science Gateway storage on XSEDE Comet

### My Endpoints

Select your endpoint

Add

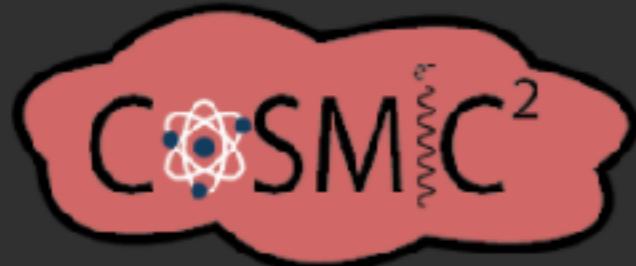
#### List Files

List

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### My Endpoints

Endpoint	Path	List Files
LSI-CryoEM (Source)	/~	<a href="#">List</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

Enter directory name here

### XSEDE Endpoint

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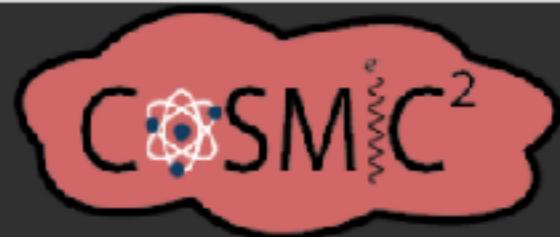
### Transfer

[Switch Source and Destination](#)

Destination Endpoint: COSMIC2 Science Gateway storage on XSEDE Comet

Source Endpoint: LSI-CryoEM



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### My Endpoints

Endpoint	Path	List Files
LSI-CryoEM (Source)	/lsi/groups/mcianfranco/lab/mcianfranco/cosmic/	<a href="#">List</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

### XSEDE Endpoint

Endpoint	List Files
COSMIC2 Science Gateway storage on XSEDE Comet	<a href="#">List</a>

### Transfer

[Switch Source and Destination](#)

Destination Endpoint: COSMIC2 Science Gateway storage on XSEDE Comet

Source Endpoint: LSI-CryoEM

File / Folder	Size	Select
Particles	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

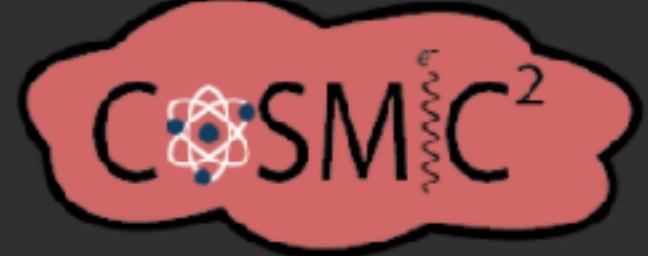
[Transfer](#)

3. Transfer

1. List directory by clicking 'List'

2. Select directory to be transferred





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First test

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## Transfer Status

Task ID: 59cccf76 b6c7-11c7-b0e8-22000a92623b

Source endpoint: LSI-CryoEM

Destination Endpoint: XSEDE Comet

Request Time: 2017-10-22 01:21:38+00:00 UTC

Completion Time:

Status: ACTIVE

Files transferred: 0

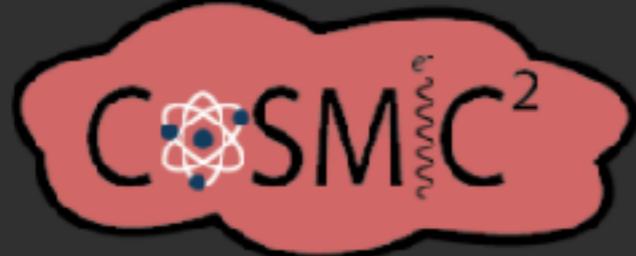
Files skipped: 0

Bytes transferred: 0 B

Faults: 0

[Refresh](#)





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## All Data

Upload Relion directories, particle stacks, and 3D volumes using the Globus data transfer service.

Upload 3D volume and other small files (< 200 MB) using your browser.

Globus upload

Browser upload

Collapse example

There is currently 1 data item in this folder.

20 records on each page

« < Page 1 of 1 > »

### Data

<input type="checkbox"/> Select all	Name	Bytes	Format	Date Created	
<input type="checkbox"/>	betagaltest/particles.star	345460	STAR	10/9/17, 06:11	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Particles/shiny_2sets.star	28378	STAR	10/21/17, 18:22	←

Move  First test

Delete Selected





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## Create new task

Task Summary

Select Data

Select Tool

Set Parameters

You may edit your task using the tabs above.

Current CPU Hr Usage: 0 [Explain this?](#)

Description

2D classification - 150 classes

Input

1 Inputs Set

Tool

[Relion 2D classification](#)

[Click for more info](#)

Input Parameters

14 Parameters Set

← **Click here to provide job parameters**

[Save Task](#)

[Save and Run Task](#)

[Discard Task](#)

Saved tasks can be run later from the task list

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**Folders**

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## Create new task

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### Rellon 2D classification: Calculate 2D class averages using Rellon ([S. H. W. Scheres](#))

#### Simple Parameters

Number of classes *	<input type="text" value="100"/>
Particle diameter (Angstroms) *	<input type="text" value="-1"/>
Pixel size of data (Angstroms/pixel) *	<input type="text" value="-1"/>
Number of iterations *	<input type="text" value="25"/>
Output directory name *	<input type="text" value="output_direct"/>
In-plane angular sampling *	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Pixel search range (pixels) *	<input type="text" value="5"/>
Pixel search range step size, in pixels (offset_step) *	<input type="text" value="1"/>

#### Advanced Parameters

[Save Parameters](#) [Reset](#) [Cancel](#)



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## Task Details

Task	2D classification - 150 classes
Owner	michaelc
Group	michaelc
Date Created	10/22/17, 16:45
Tool	Relion 2D classification
Input	<a href="#">View (1)</a>
Parameters	<a href="#">View (14)</a>
Output	<a href="#">View (2)</a>
Intermediate Results	None
Status	COMPLETED

## Task Messages

```
Sun Oct 22 16:49:08 PDT 2017 > QUEUE : SUCCESS : NCBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310 : Added to run queue.  
Sun Oct 22 16:49:17 PDT 2017 > COMMANDRENDERING : SUCCESS : NGBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310 : Command rendered successfully: relion_refine_mpi --angpix 1 --offset_step 2 --psi_step 10 --iter 20 --particle_diameter 200 --K 150 --o Class2D --offset_range 6 --ctf --strict_highres_exp -1 --tau2_fudge 2 --i Particles/shiny_2sets.star  
Sun Oct 22 16:49:17 PDT 2017 > INPUTSTAGING : SUCCESS : NGBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310 : Staging input files to COMET  
Sun Oct 22 16:49:17 PDT 2017 > INPUTSTAGING : SUCCESS : NGBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310 : Input files staged successfully to /projects/cosmic2/gateway/workspace/NGBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310/  
Sun Oct 22 16:49:28 PDT 2017 > SUBMITTED : SUCCESS : NGBW-JOB-RELION_2D_CLASS_COMET-9637B07DE52F4F7C9DD9055063697310 : Submitted to COMET as job '12082615'.
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## Lessons learned

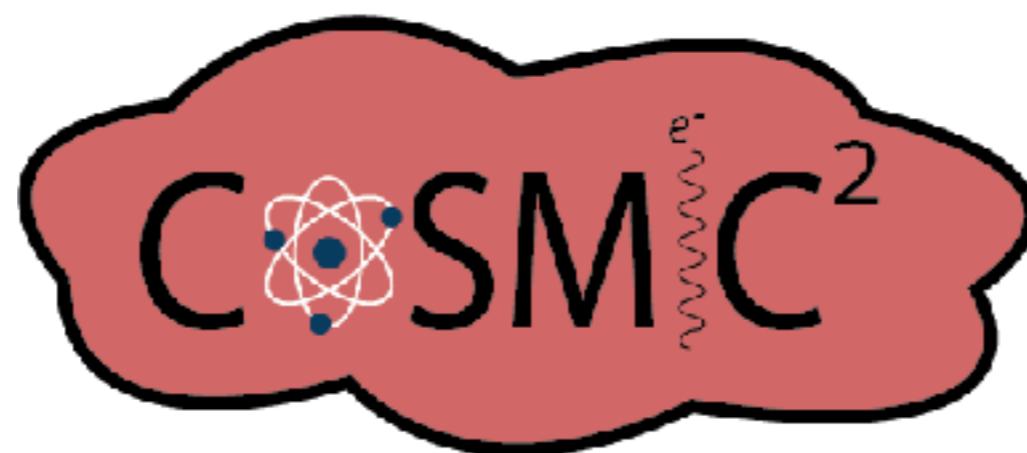
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- Globus integration was straightforward
- User account management & authentication
- Very easy data movement

### Next steps:

Linking up to cloud storage

Moving data between NSF HPC resources using Globus



## For more information

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Website:  
[cosmic-cryoem.org](http://cosmic-cryoem.org)

Github repo:  
<https://github.com/cianfrocco-lab/COSMIC-CryoEM-Gateway>

PEARC17 paper:  
<https://goo.gl/gnQ79a>



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