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MicroCT gives an
inside view



Orcula dolium
Terrestrial gastropod
SkyScan 1174,
7.7 μm voxel size.

Multi-scale imaging,
non-destructive



SkyScan 1174



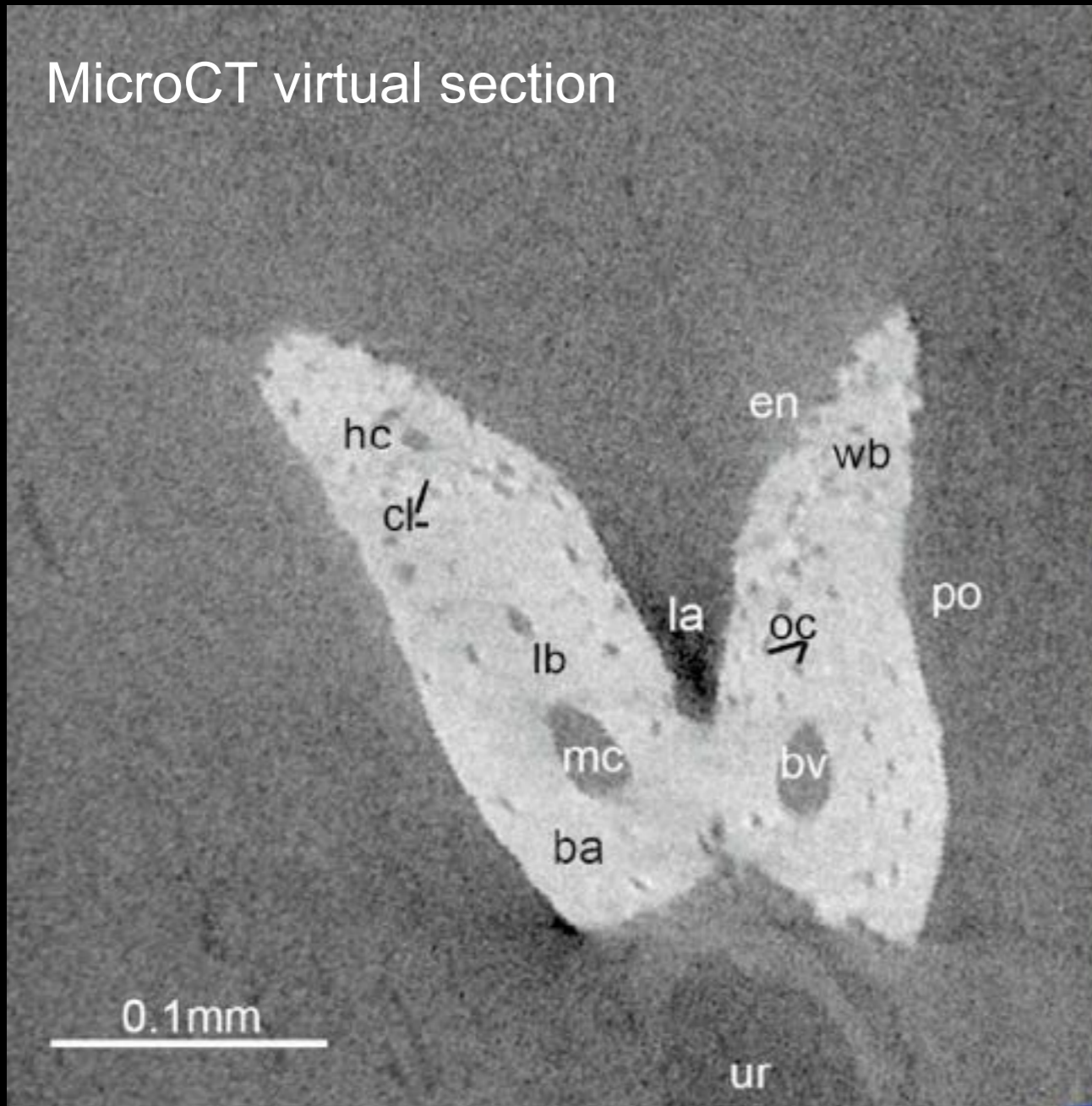
Xradia MicroXCT

Work of Anna Nele Herdina, Theoretical Biology, UniVie

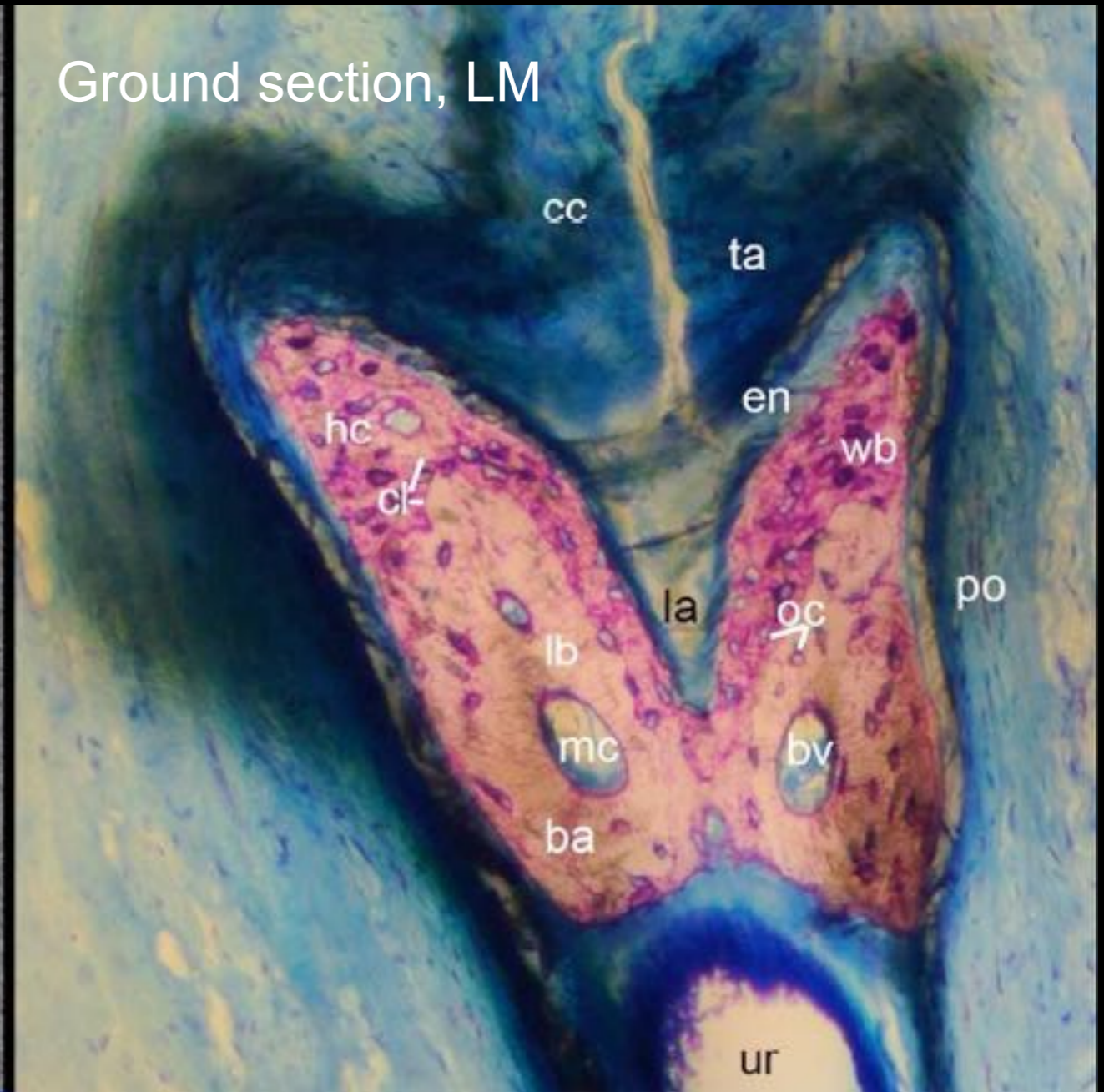
Correlative imaging

Ground sections to calibrate microCT images:
Bat baculum histomorphology

MicroCT virtual section

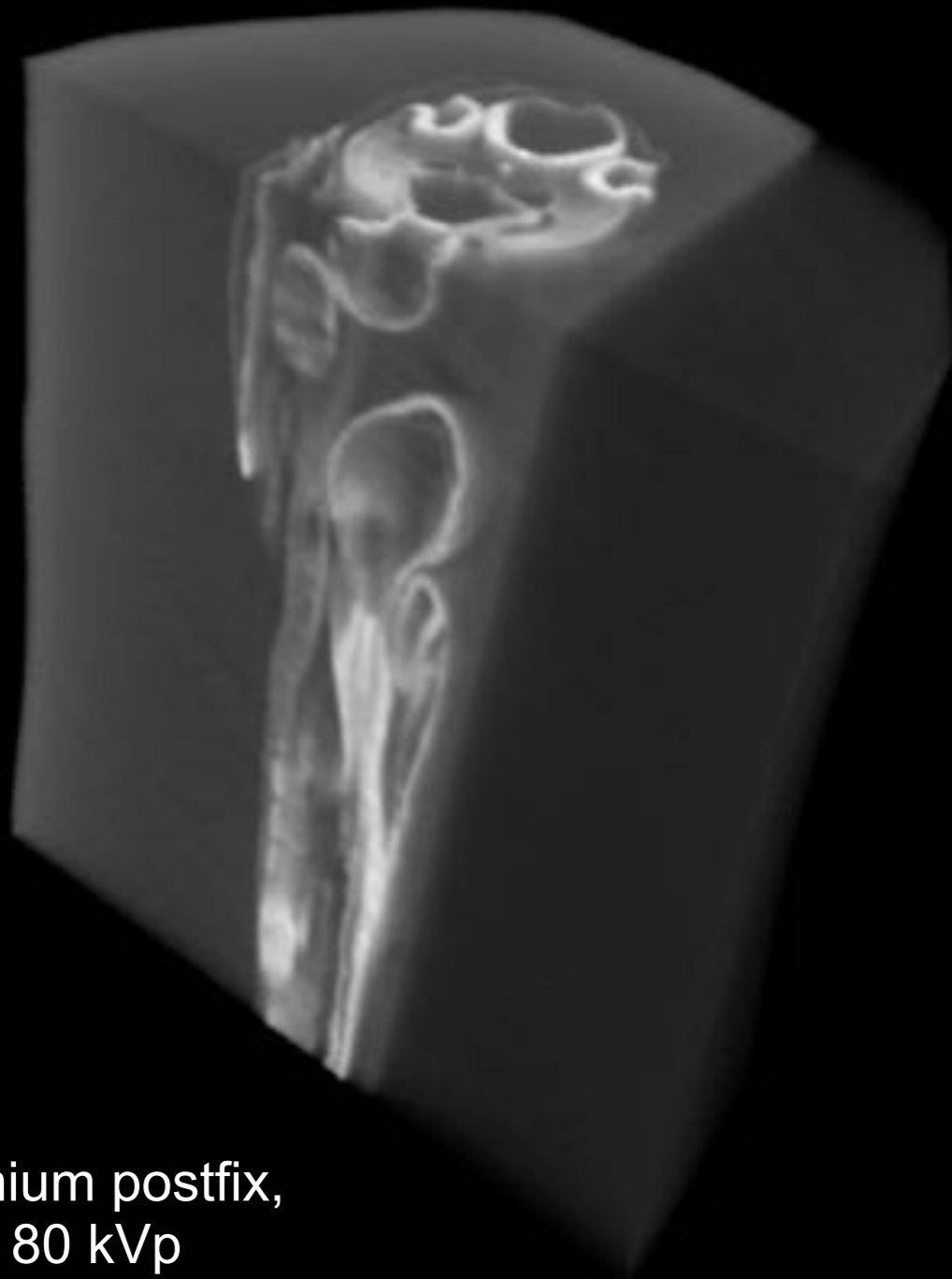


Ground section, LM



Nele Herdina et al. in press, J. Morph.

Samples prepared for TEM
can be scanned in the block



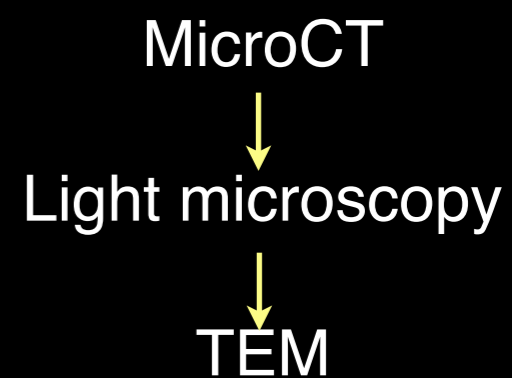
osmium postfix,
80 kVp



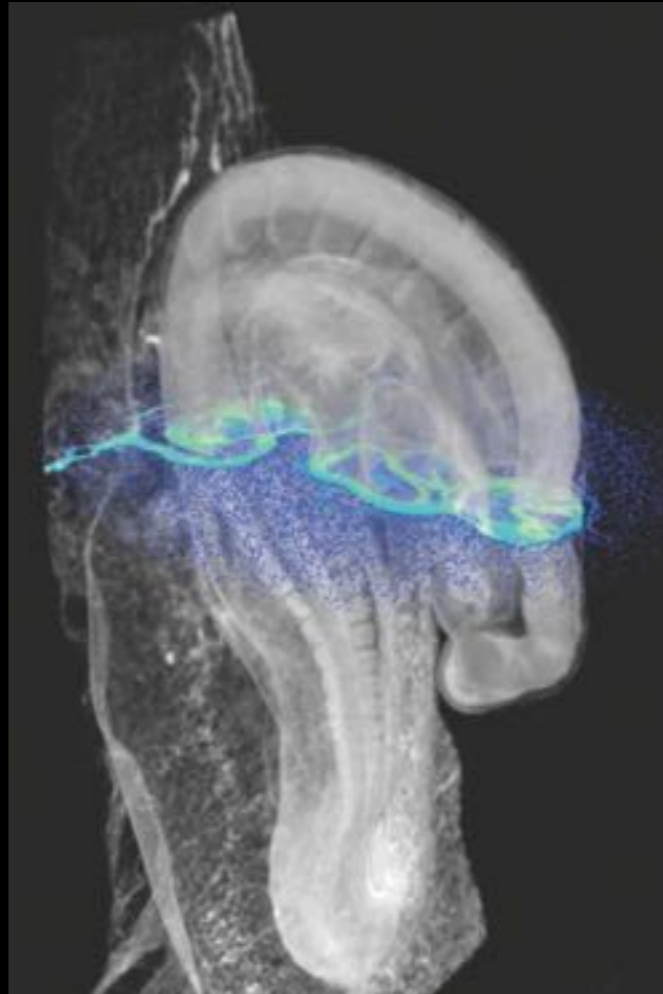
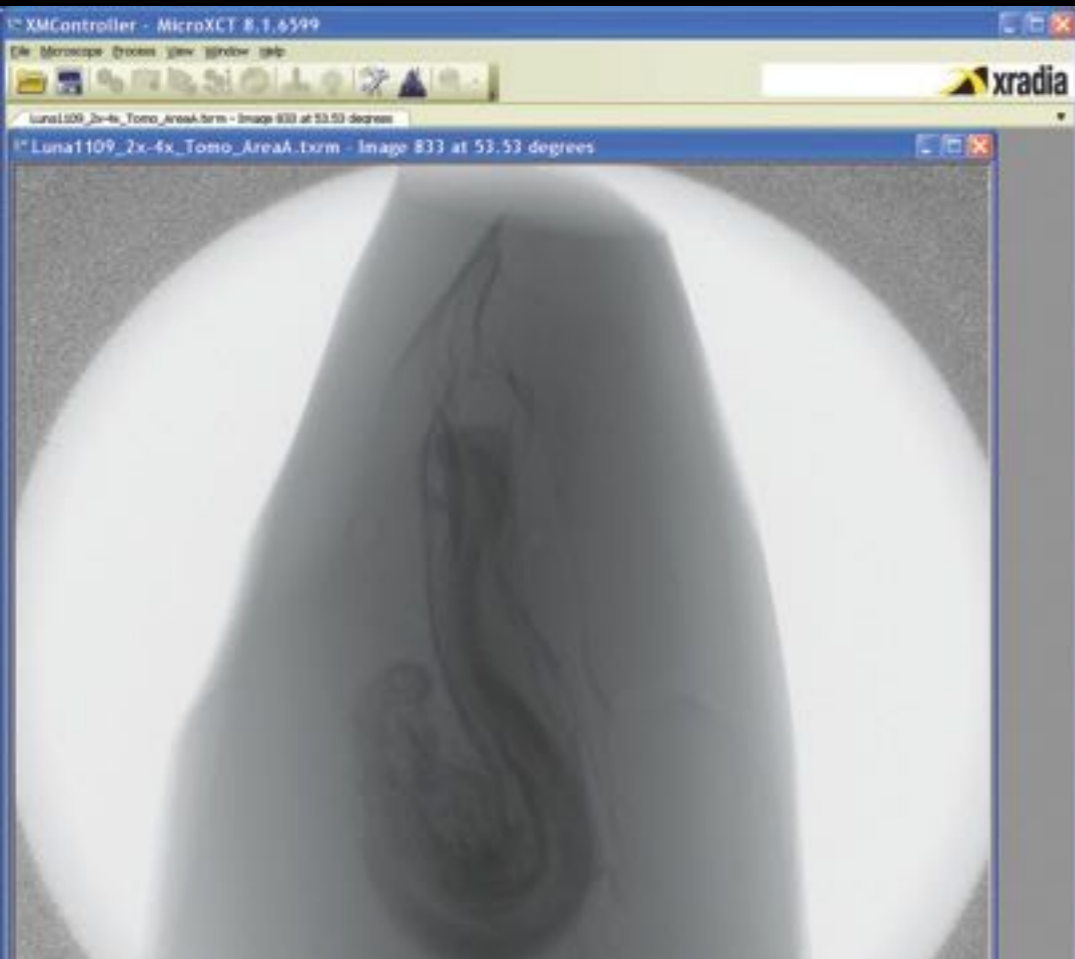


Horse embryo (21 days),
osmium stained and resin
embedded

Cross-platform imaging



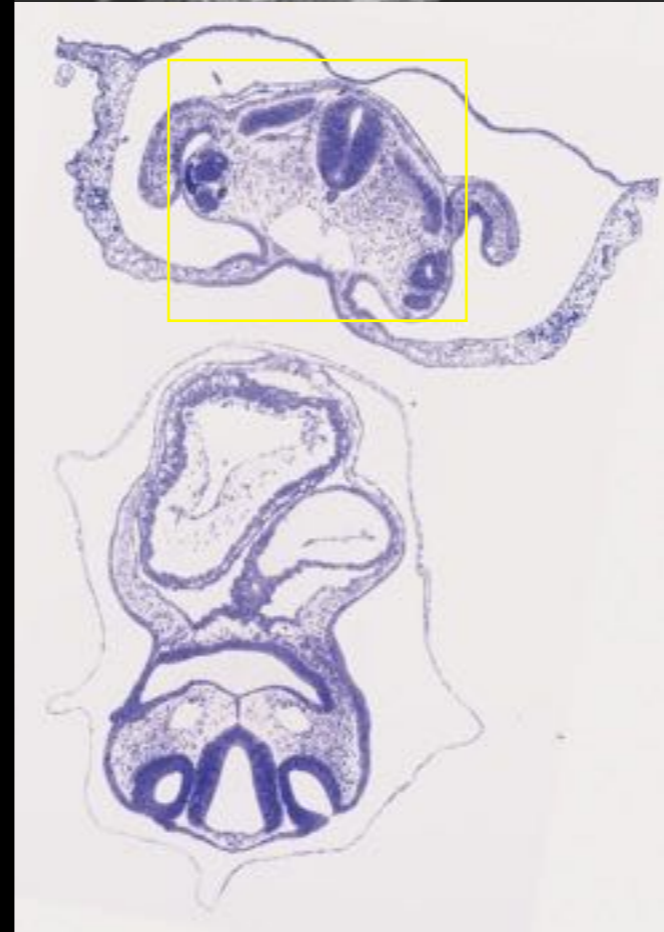
Collaboration with
Stephan Handschuh
and Ingrid Walter, Vet
Med Uni Vienna.



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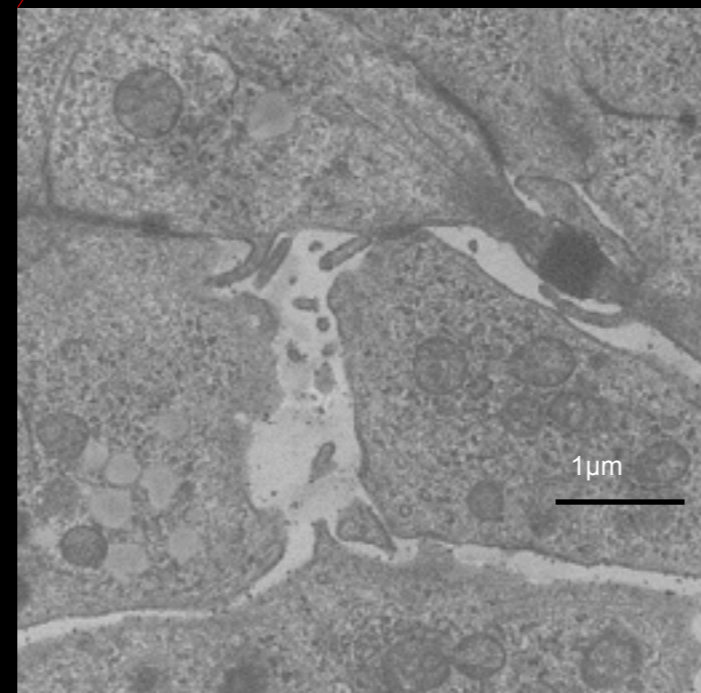
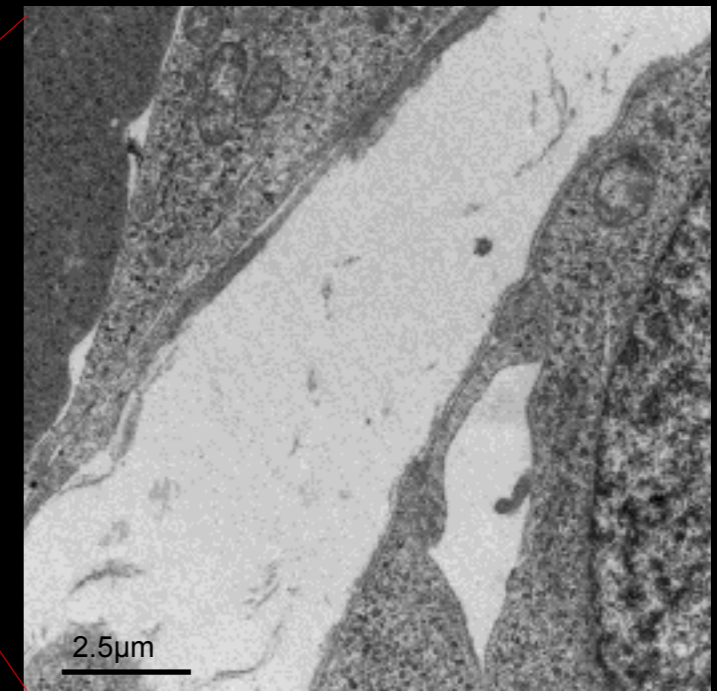
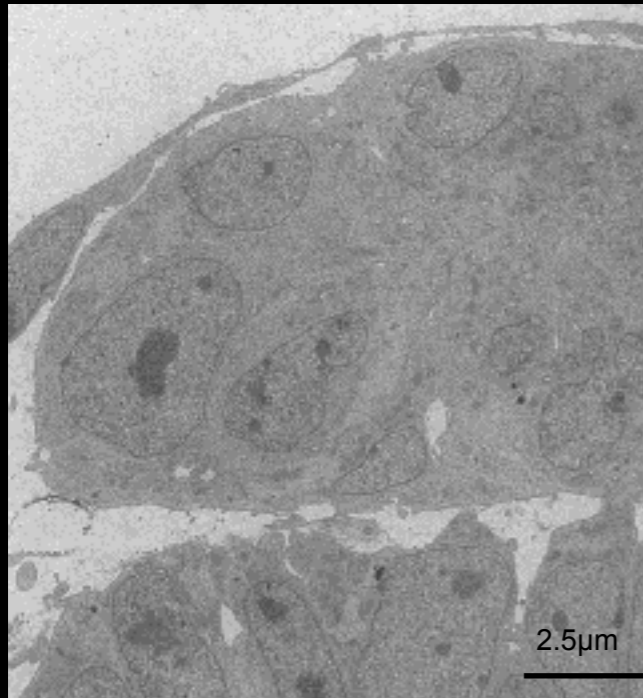


Sections of the same block:
semi-thin and toluidine blue
for histology



A correlative approach for combining microCT, light and transmission electron microscopy in a single 3D scenario

Stephan Handschuh^{1,2,3*}, Natalie Baeumler⁴, Thomas Schwaha⁵ and Bernhard Ruthensteiner⁴



TEM of pronephros (kidney) development, with its 3D context

Other projects: Cell-type-specific imaging



Selective contrasting of melanocytes in zebrafish
using autometallography

Imaging molecular probes



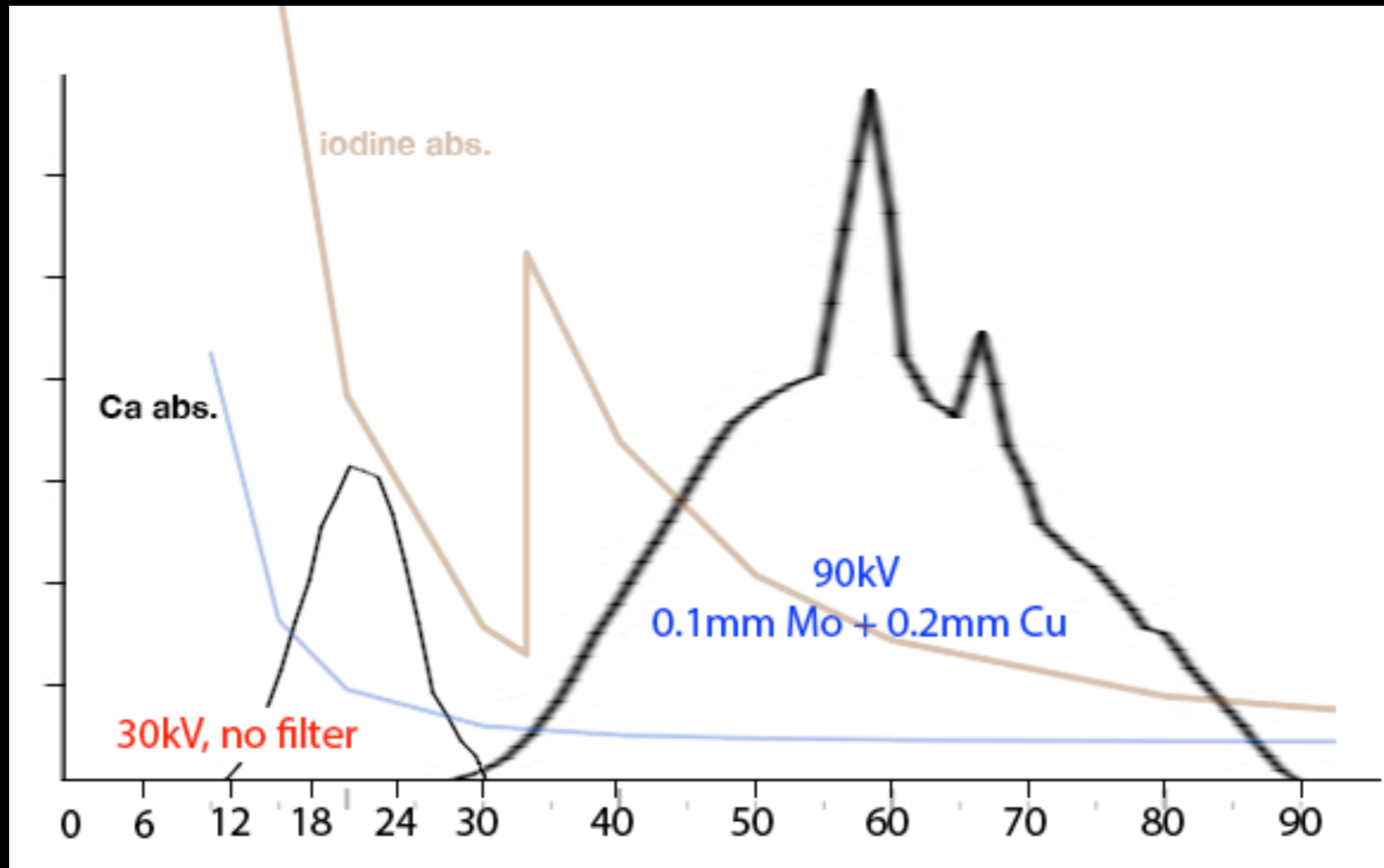
Acetylated alpha-tubulin, st. 23 chick

Imaging molecular probes with microCT



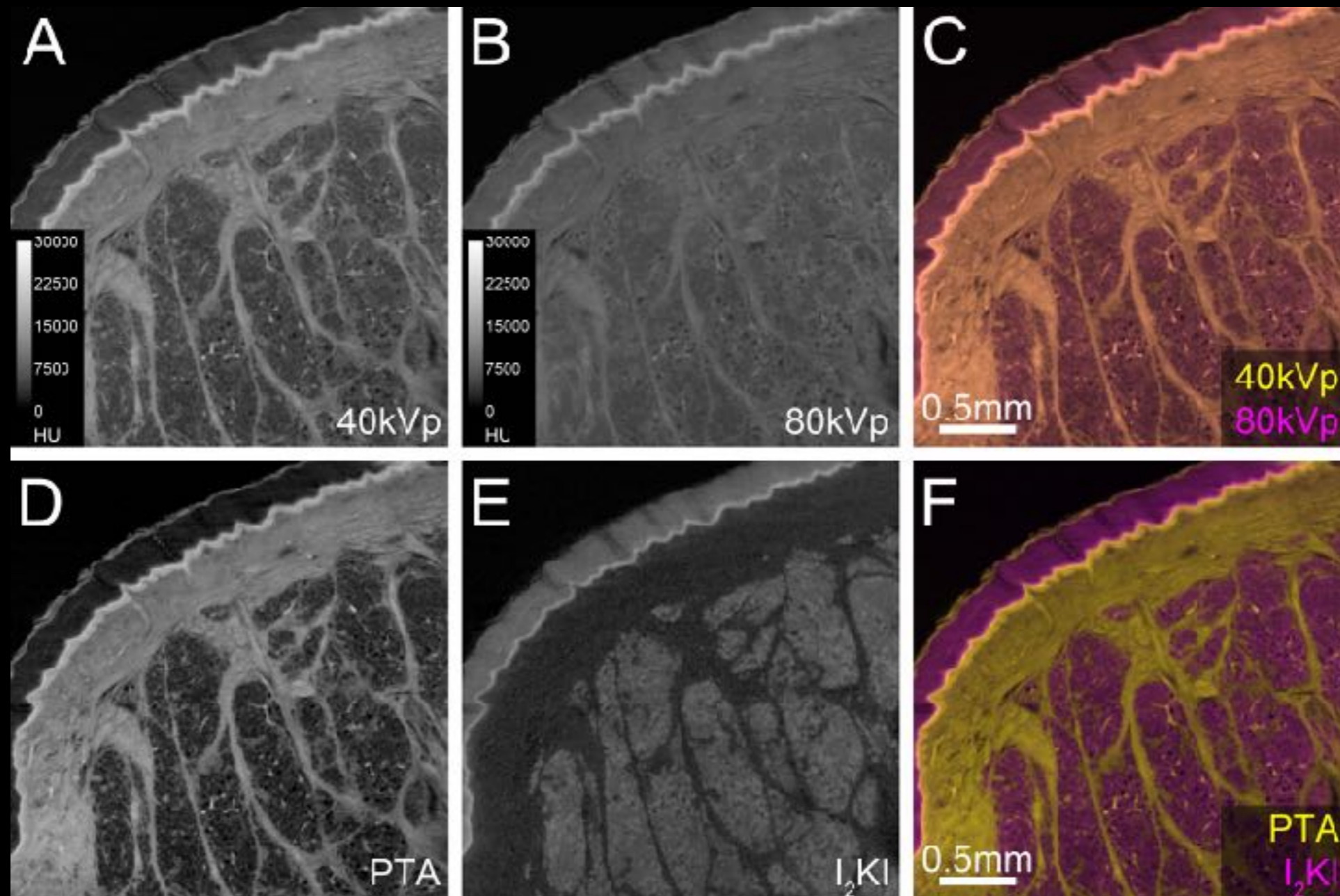
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Dual-energy microCT can distinguish different materials in the sample



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Double-stained cat digit pad, collagenous and adipose tissues.

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Meshes and models from 3D images

Snapshots, scale bars in Fiji & Amira

and filters

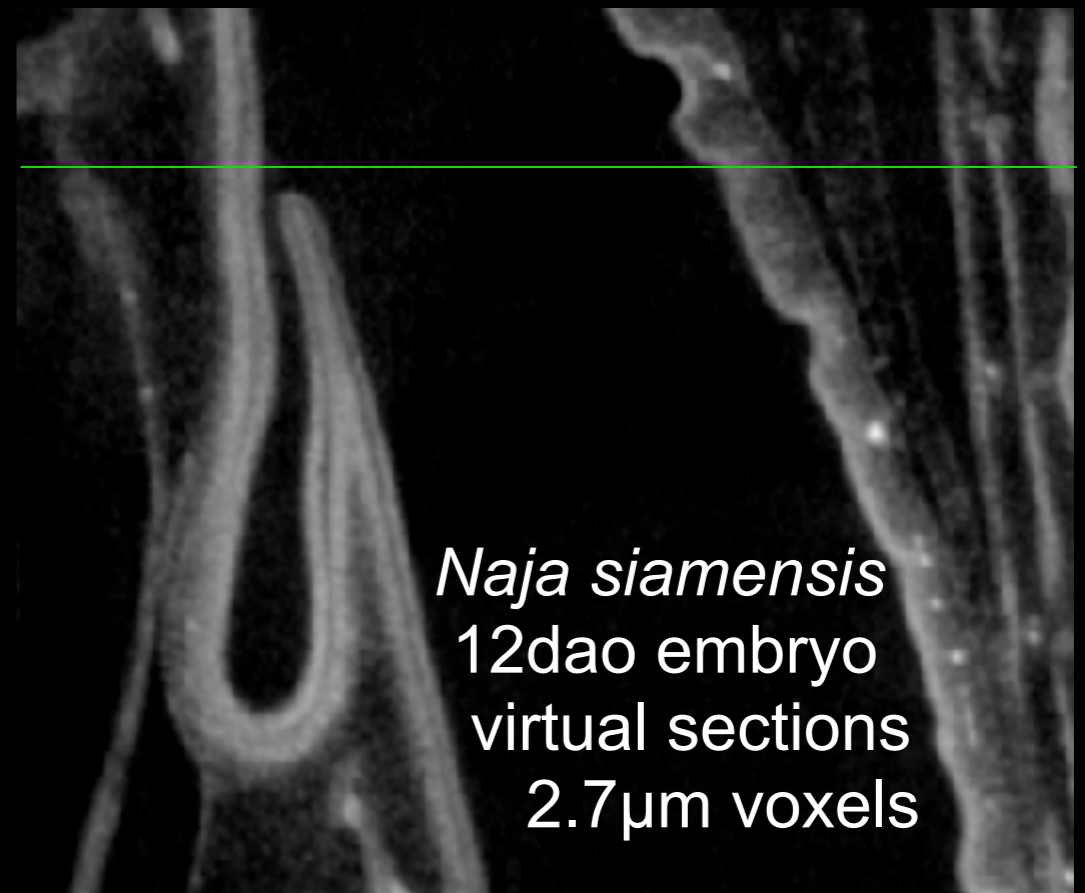
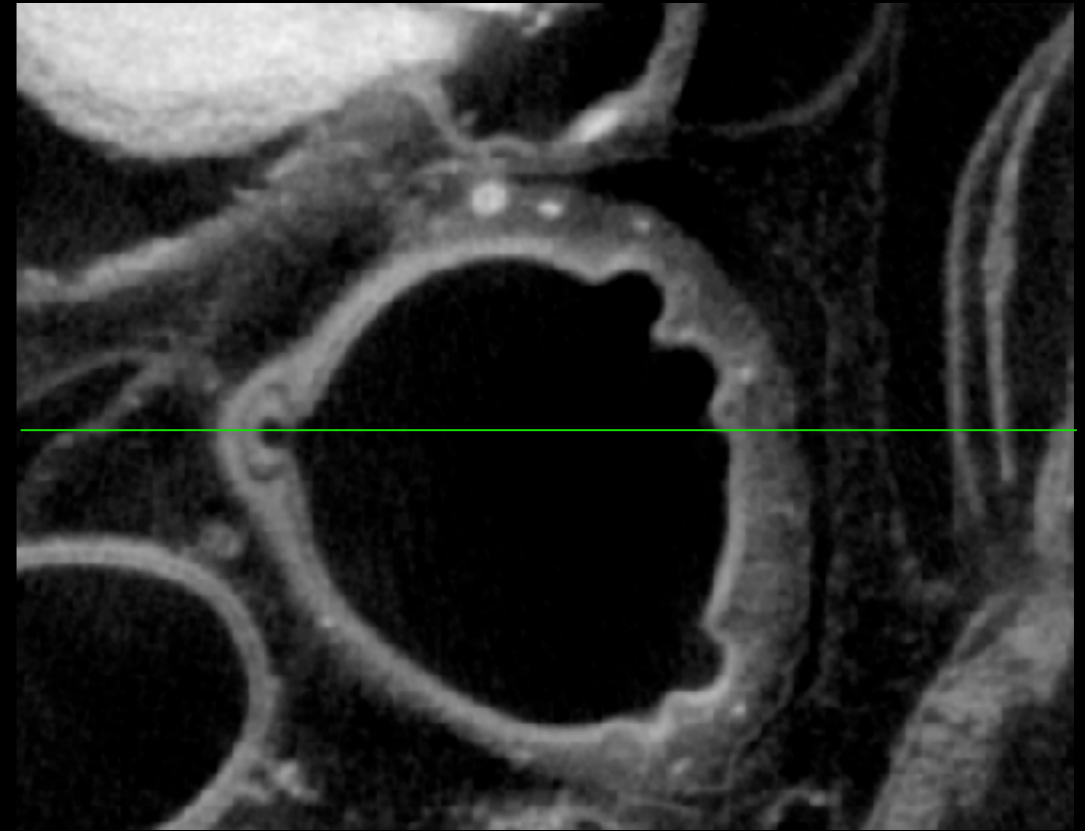
Other free 3D image software

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Images communicate: what does your picture say?

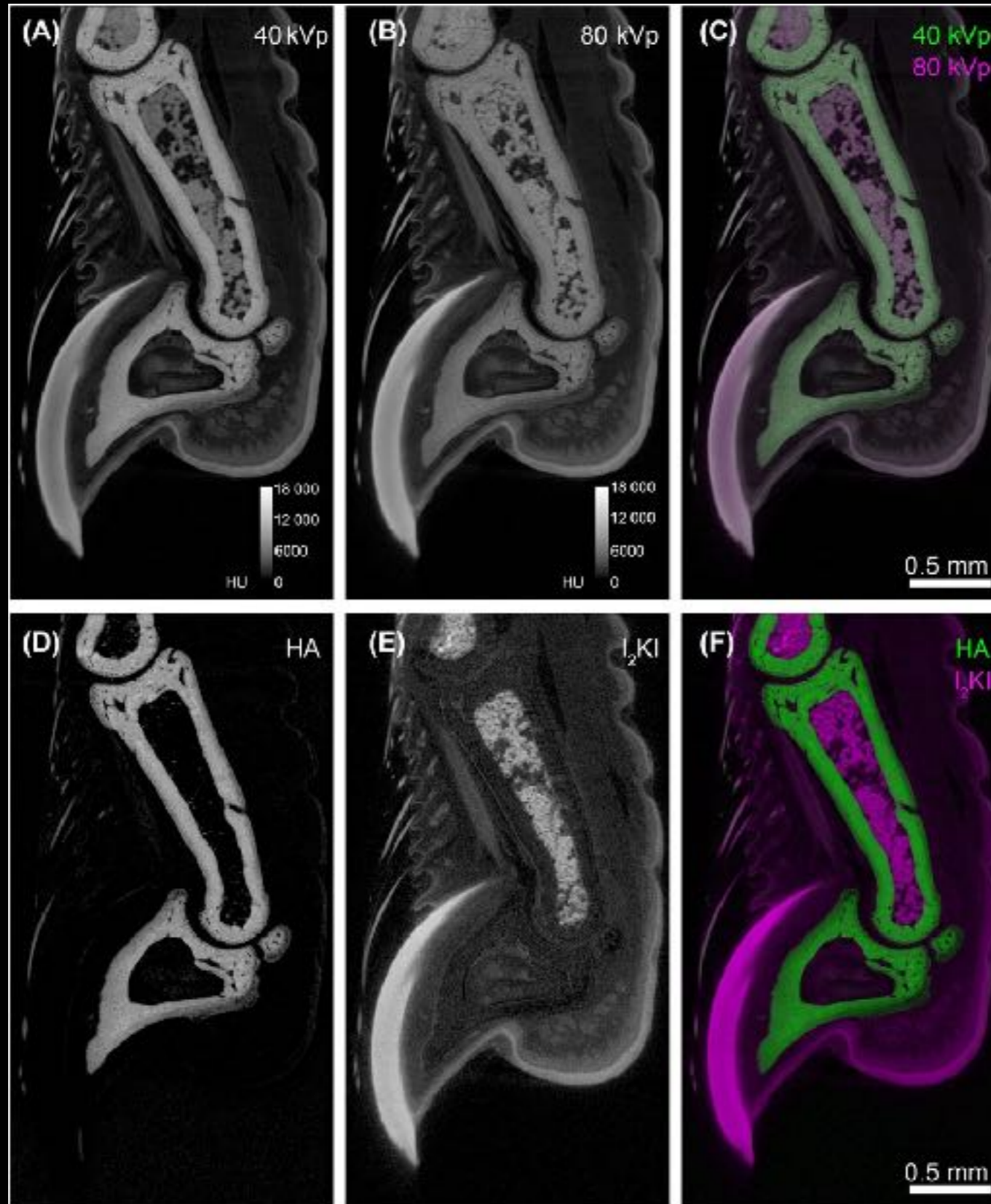


Naja siamensis
(cobra) 1dao
embryo

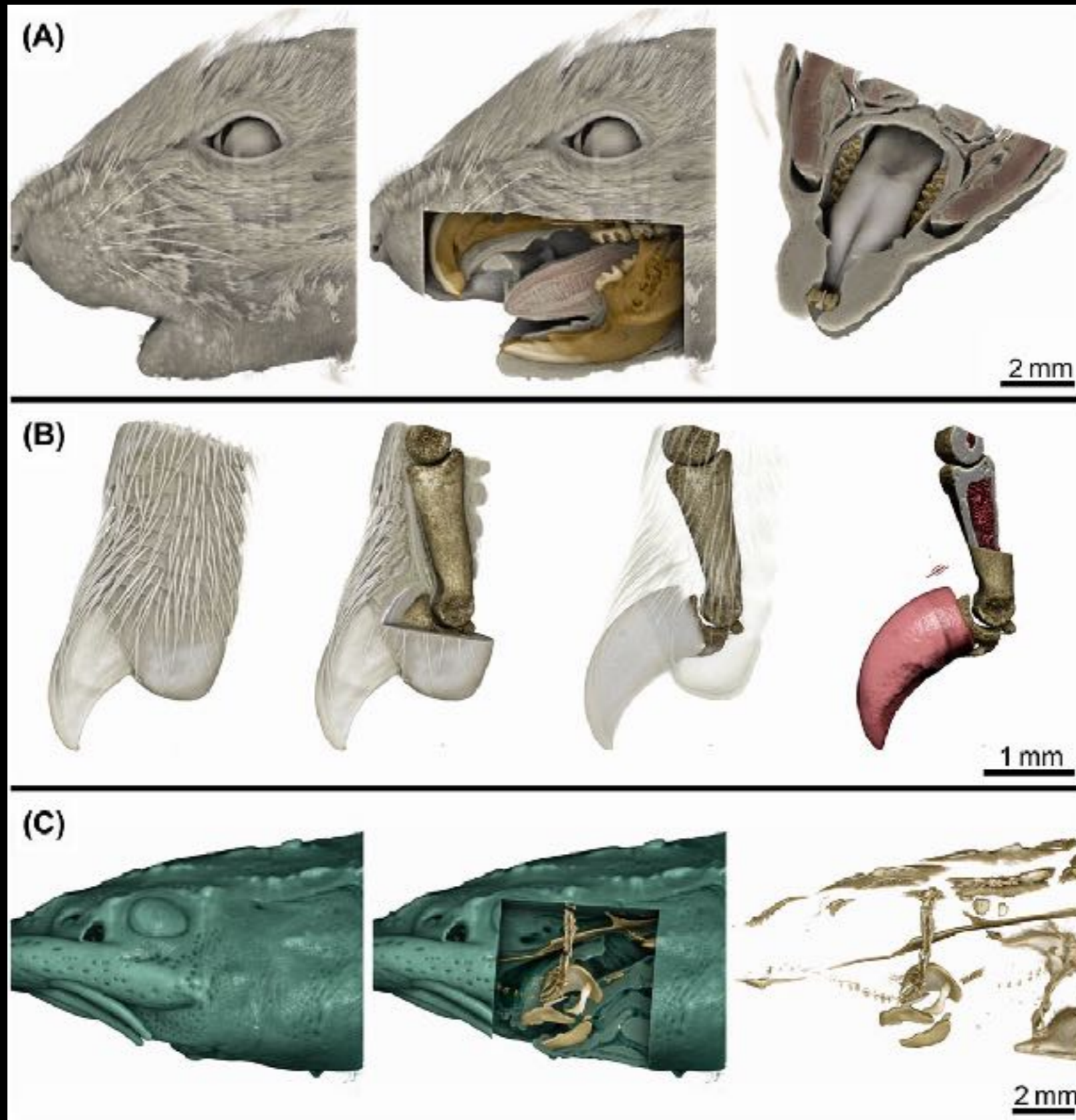


Naja siamensis
12dao embryo
virtual sections
2.7 μ m voxels

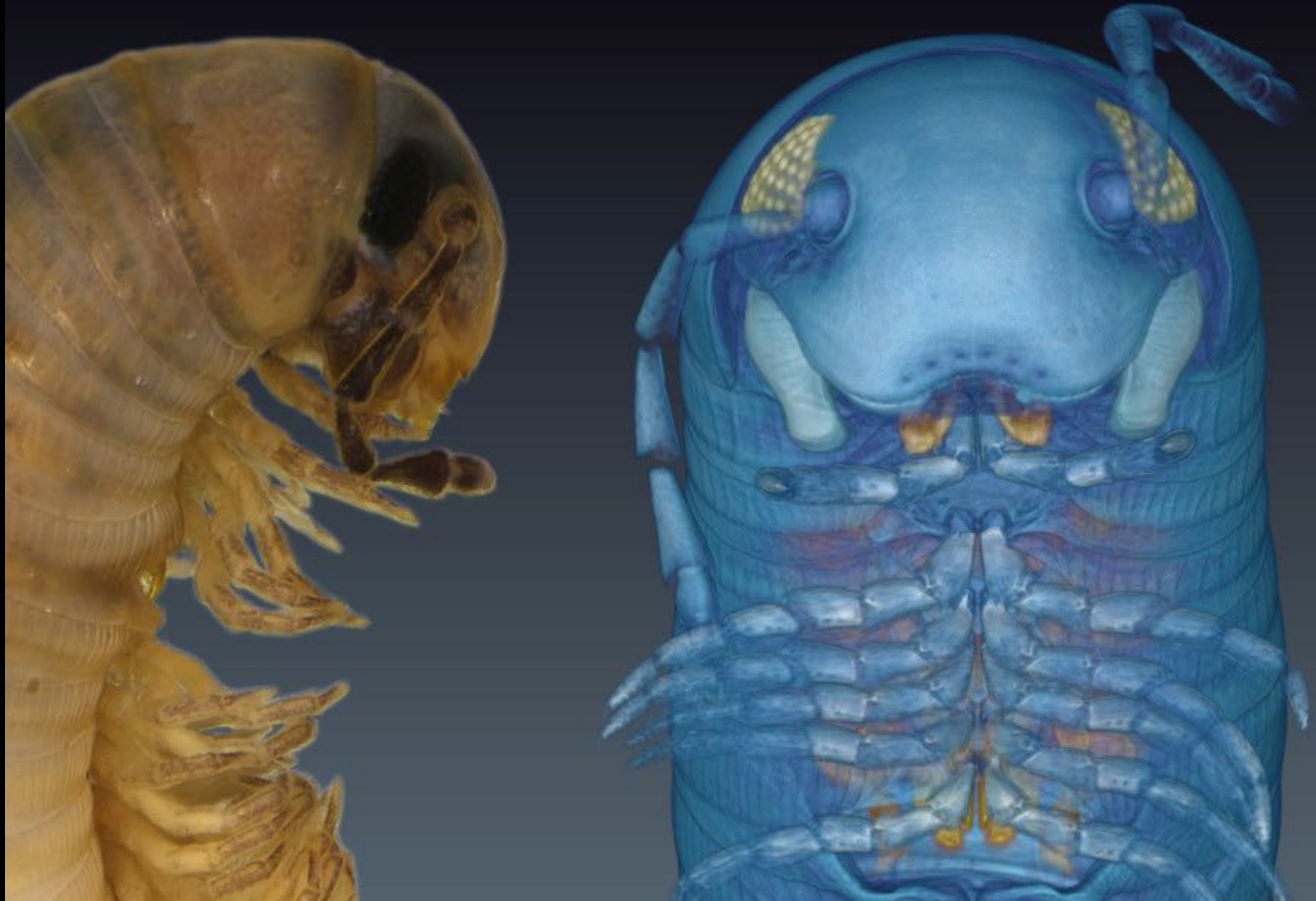
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Cybertype: a virtual specimen that helps define a species – like *Ommatoiulus avatar*



Cybertypes provide online access to 3D micromorphology



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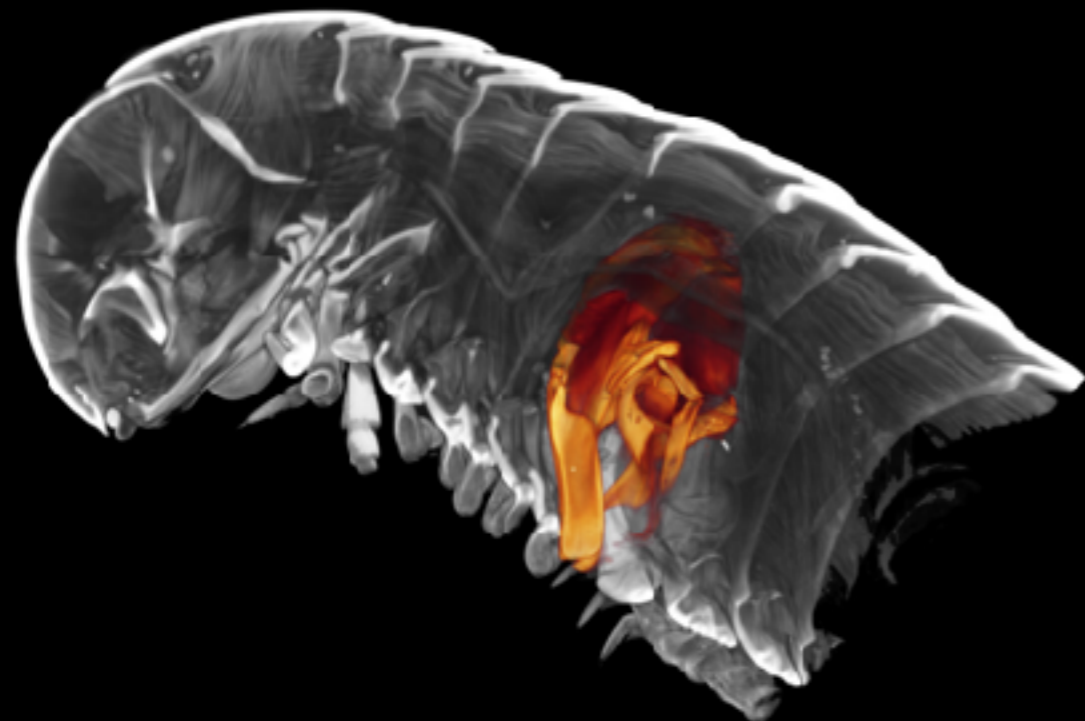
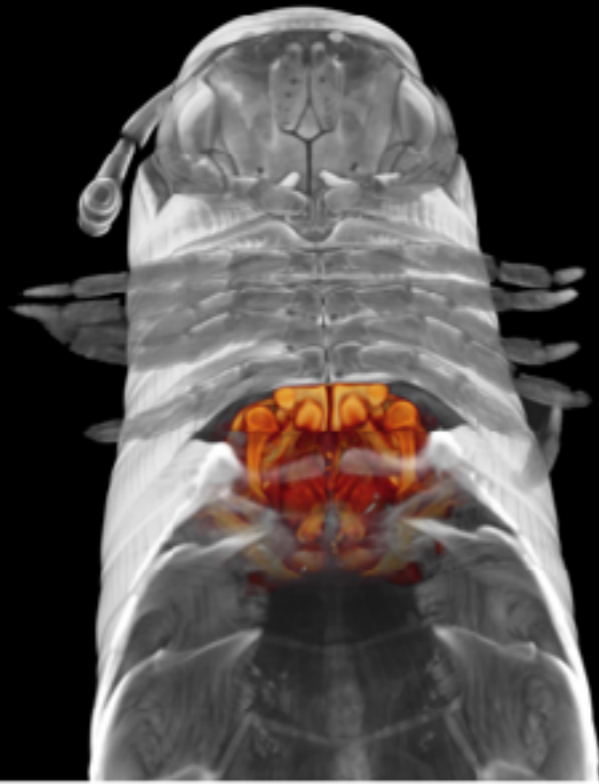
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Akkari, N., H. Enghoff and B. Metscher (2015). *PLoS ONE* 10(8): e0135243.

Image ethics: publish responsibly

D. W. Cromey: Ethical guidelines for the appropriate use and manipulation of scientific digital images

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Type of data (volume, surface, analyses...) ?

Size restriction?

Costs?

Type of license for re-use?

Globally unique identifier (DOI) offered?

What metadata should you publish?

S. Faulwetter, N. Minadakis, K. Keklikoglou, M. Doerr, C. Arvanitidis

First steps towards the development of an integrated metadata management system for biodiversity-related micro-CT datasets.

https://www.bruker.com/fileadmin/user_upload/8-PDF-Docs/PreclinicalImaging/microCT/2015/uCT2015-27.pdf

Davies TG et al., Donoghue PCJ. (2017).

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Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences 284(1852).

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