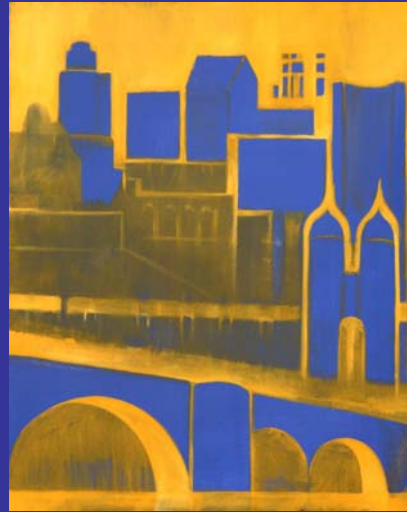


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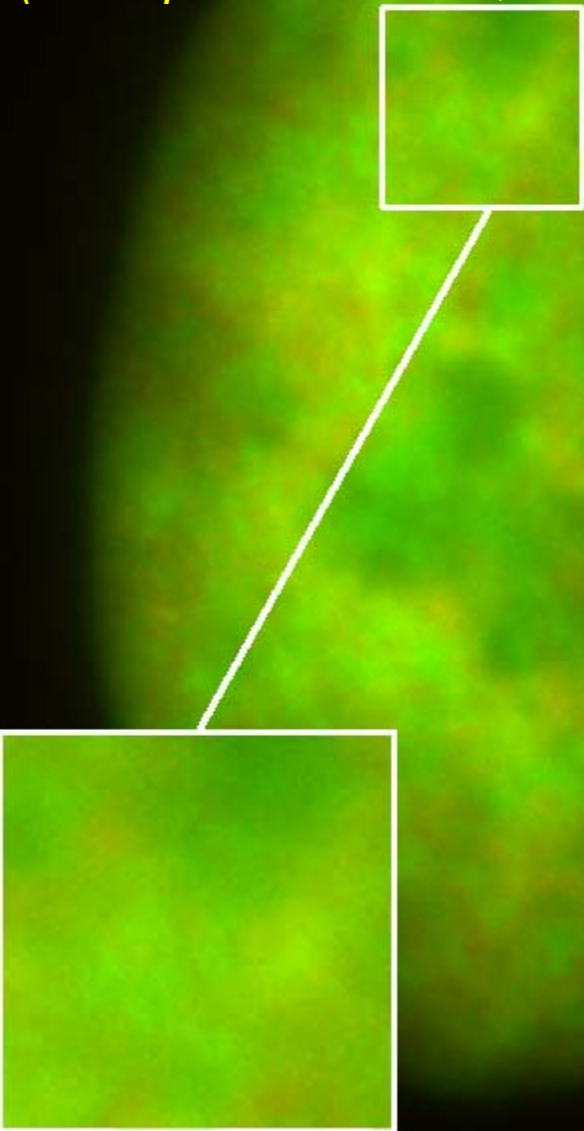
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**seen with the KIP Nanoscope (“SMI Vertico“)*

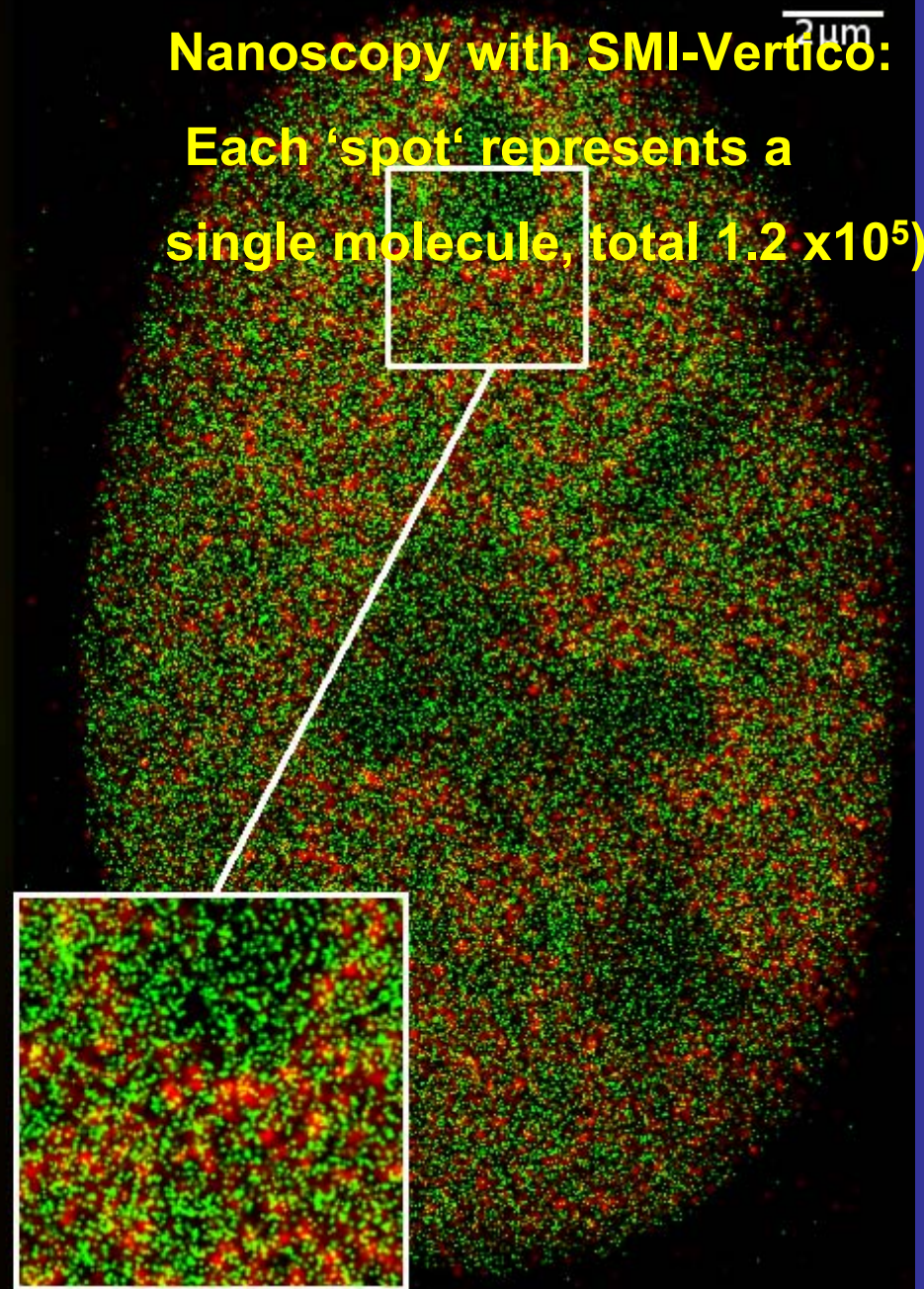
Conventional Epifluorescence

(best optical resolution, Abbe-Limit)



Nanoscopy with SMI-Vertico:

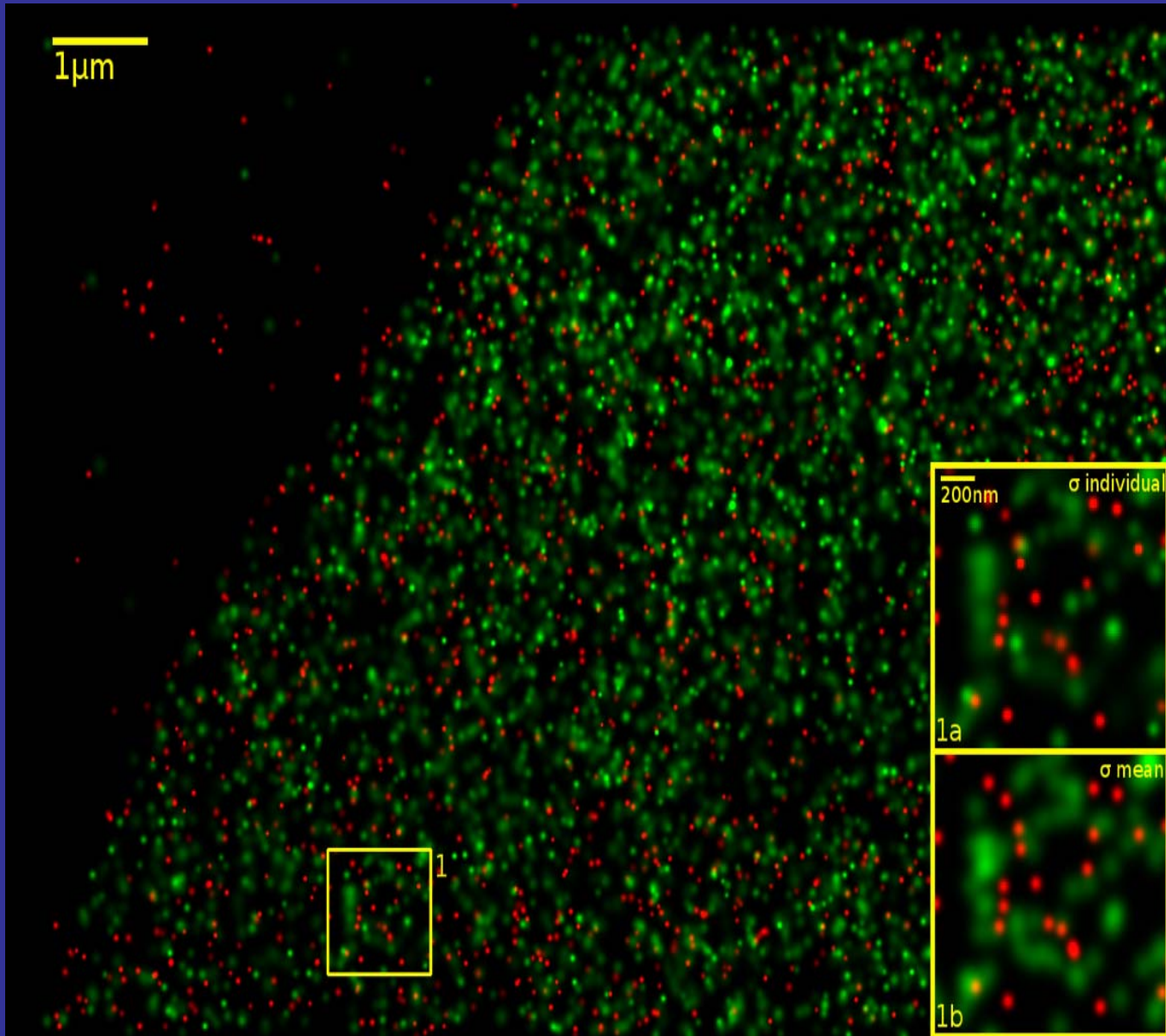
Each 'spot' represents a single molecule, total 1.2×10^5



Red: H2A proteins; Green: Snf2H proteins (green)

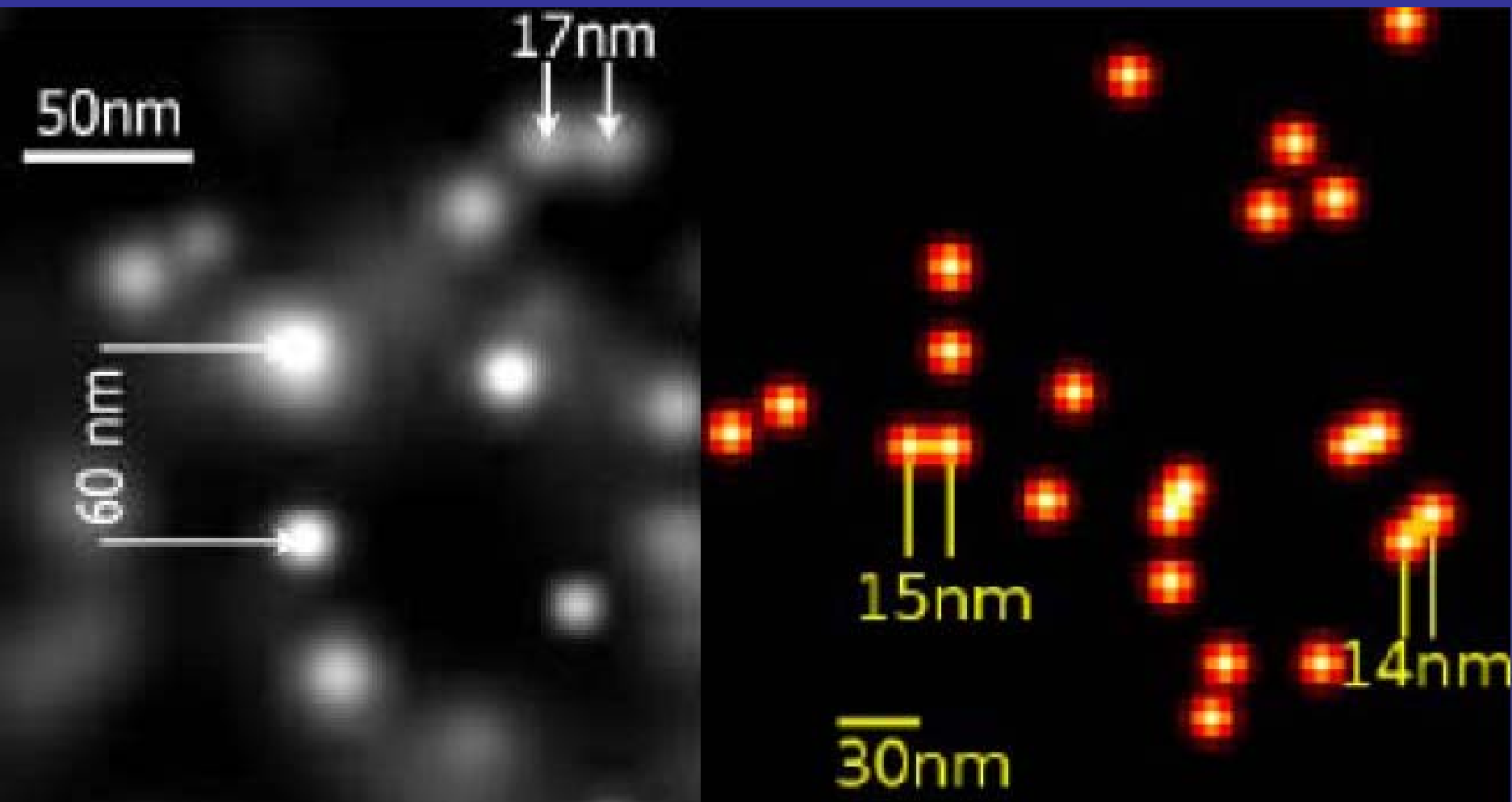
Gunkel et al. 2009

Nanoscopy (SMI-Vertico) of Nuclear Proteins labelled with two standard Fluorochromes (Detail)



*M. Gunkel et al.,
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A Deep Look into the Cellular Galaxy of Molecules



Left: SPDM of individual emGFP-histone (H2B) molecules in a human cell nucleus. Right: SPDM of individual YFP-protein molecules in a human cell membrane. $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 488 \text{ nm}$.

R. Kaufmann, P. Lemmer/KIP

Comparison of Optical Resolution

Hubble Telescope:

Optimum conditions*: If Hubble looked at the Earth - from its orbit of approx. $L = 600$ km - this would in theory correspond to a resolved distance of $\Delta s = 0.3$ meter: $\alpha_{Hubble} = \Delta s/L = 5 \times 10^{-7}$ (0.1 arcsec)

KIP-Nanoscope:

Optimum conditions: A distance of $\Delta s = 10$ nm between 2 single molecules can be detected; This would correspond to a visual angle of $\alpha_{nano} = 1 \times 10^{-8} / 0.25 = 0.4 \times 10^{-7}$ (~ 0.01 arcsec)



Hubble Telescope

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