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## **Transformation phenomics:**

Detection of transgenic tissues in plant tissue cultures by cross-referencing of RGB and hyperspectral image datasets analyzed by deep learning and regression

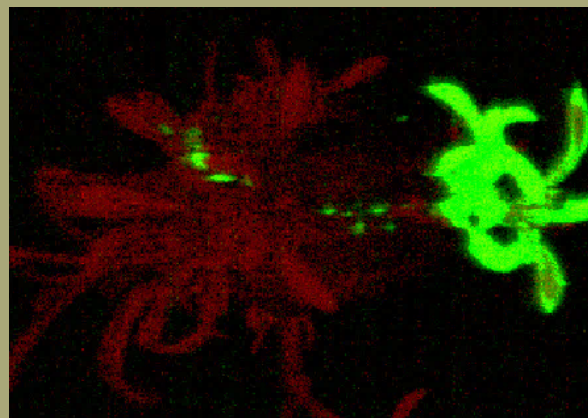
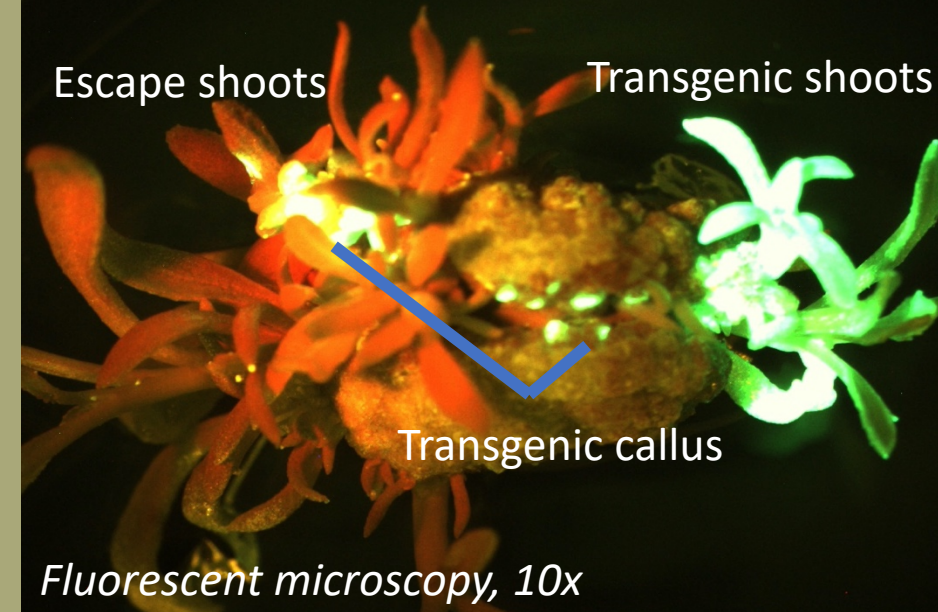
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# Presentation Overview

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- II. Methods



## III. Example experiments

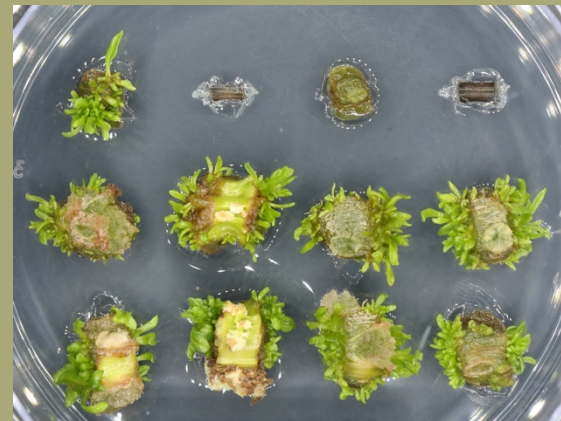
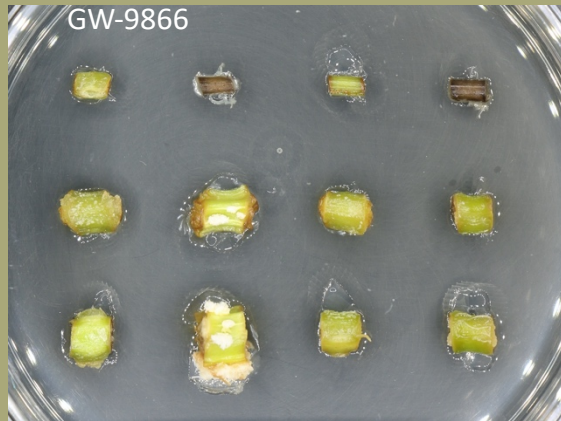
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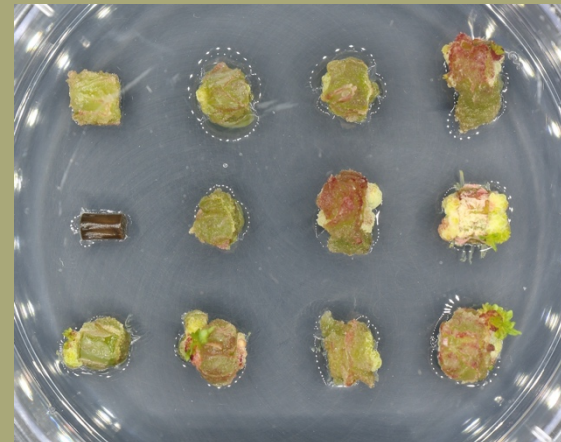
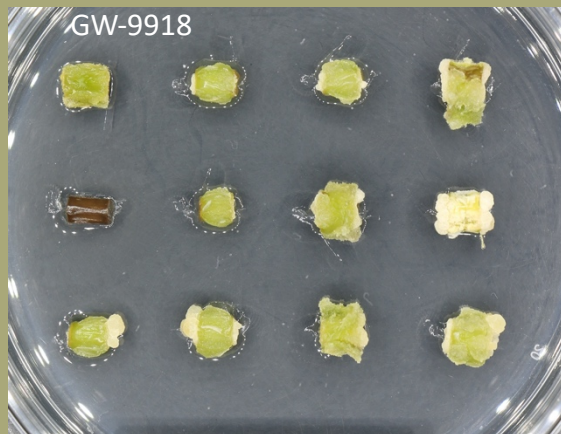
# Plant regeneration and transformation traits

–critical to agricultural biotechnology, challenging to quantify

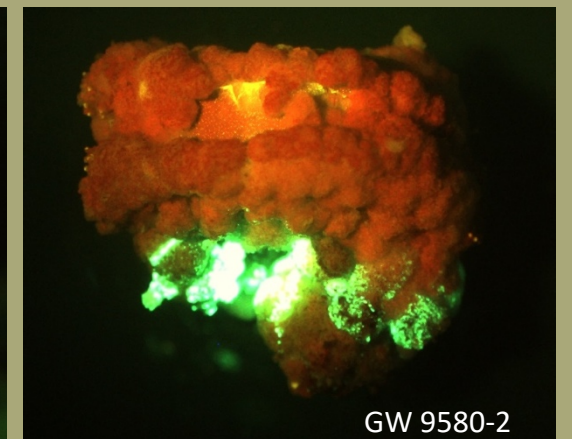
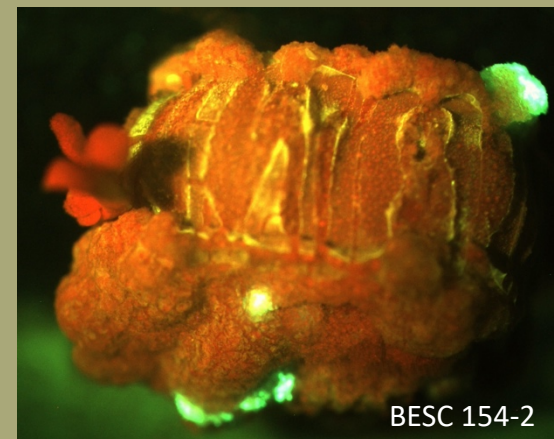
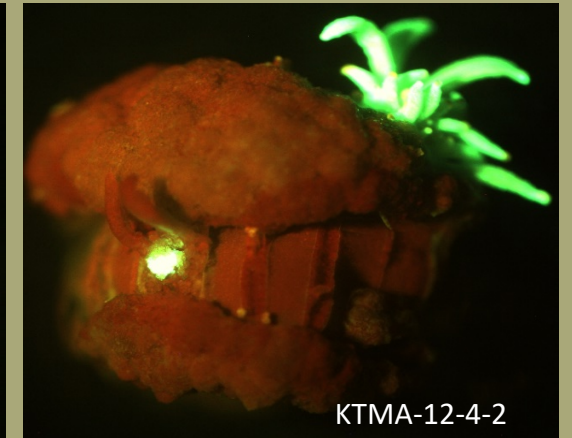
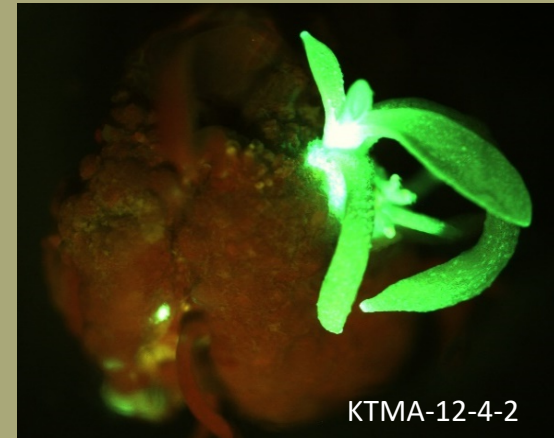
Callus induction



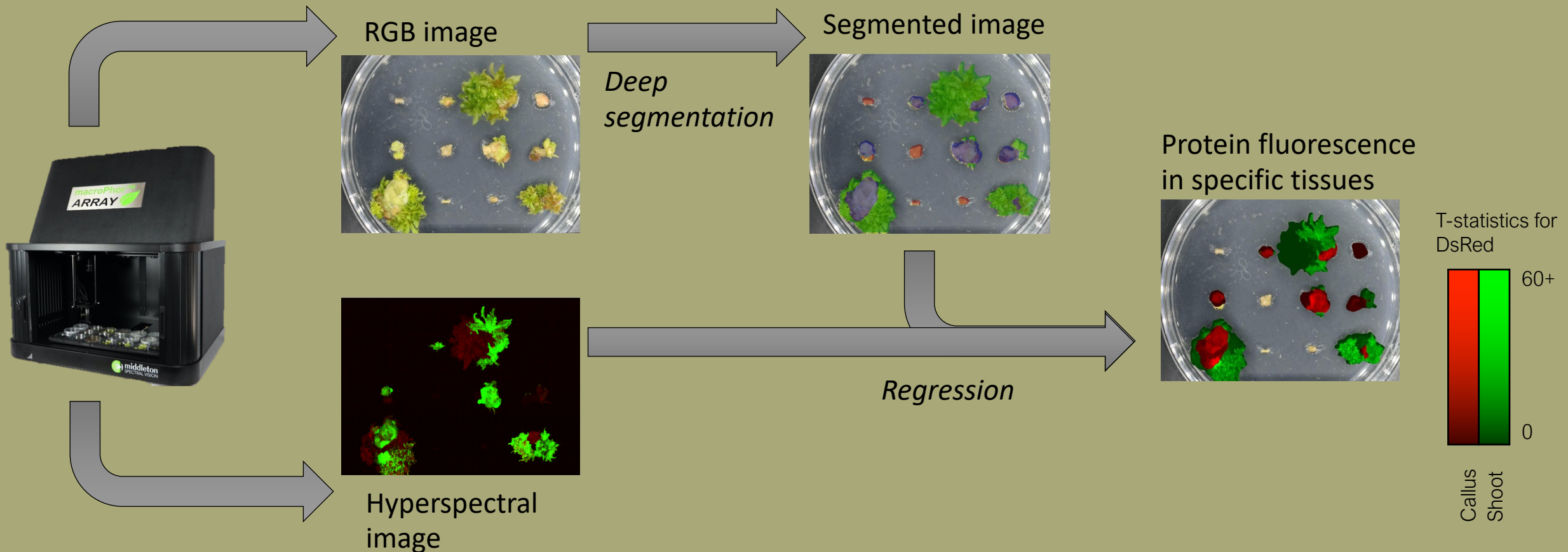
Shoot induction



Transformation with GFP plasmid



# Overview of phenomics methods developed

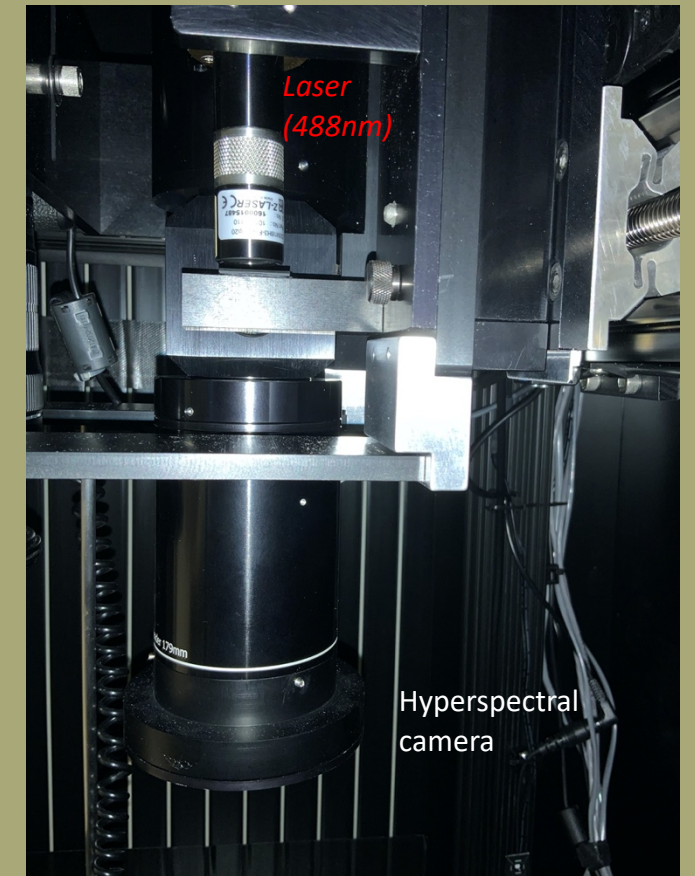
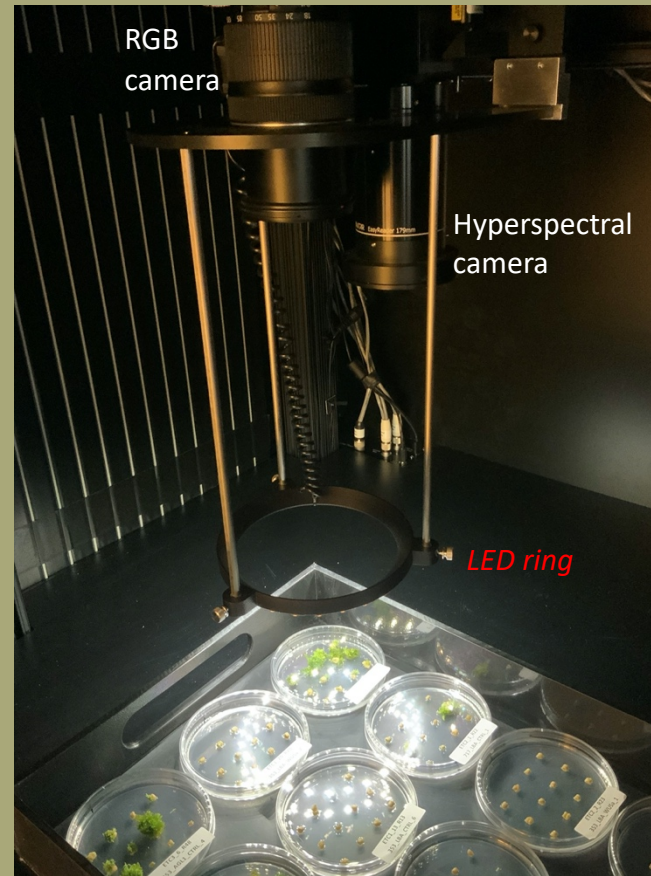




# Design and use of high-throughput imager of petri dishes

## *macroPhor Array (Middleton Spectral Vision)*

Custom instrument for high-throughput  
RGB + hyperspectral imaging  
of petri dishes

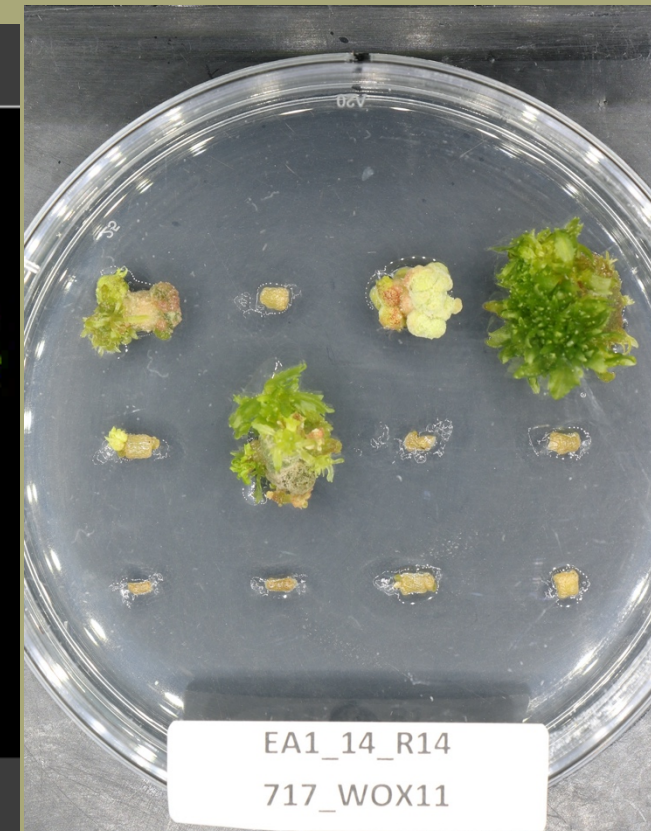
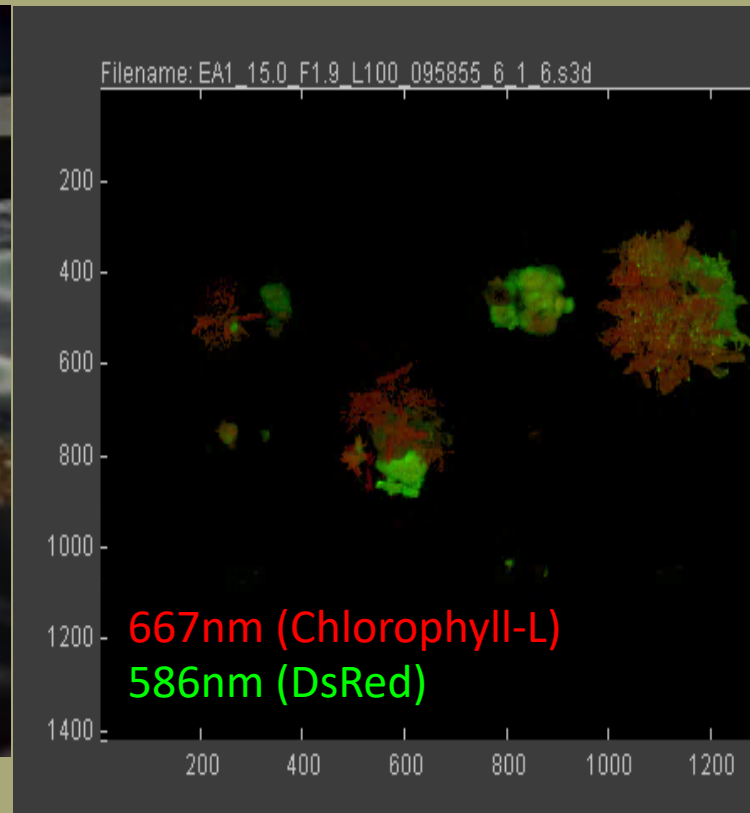
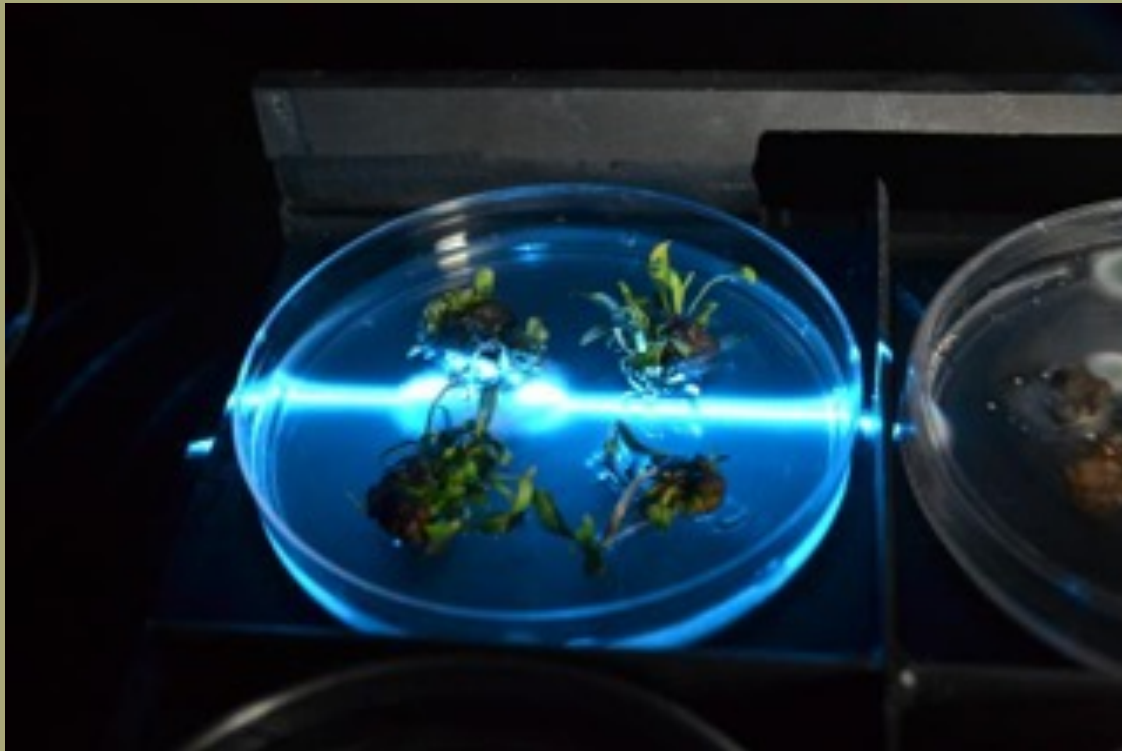


# Collection of RGB and hyperspectral images

Laser excitation

Hyperspectral image  
(visualized with false color)

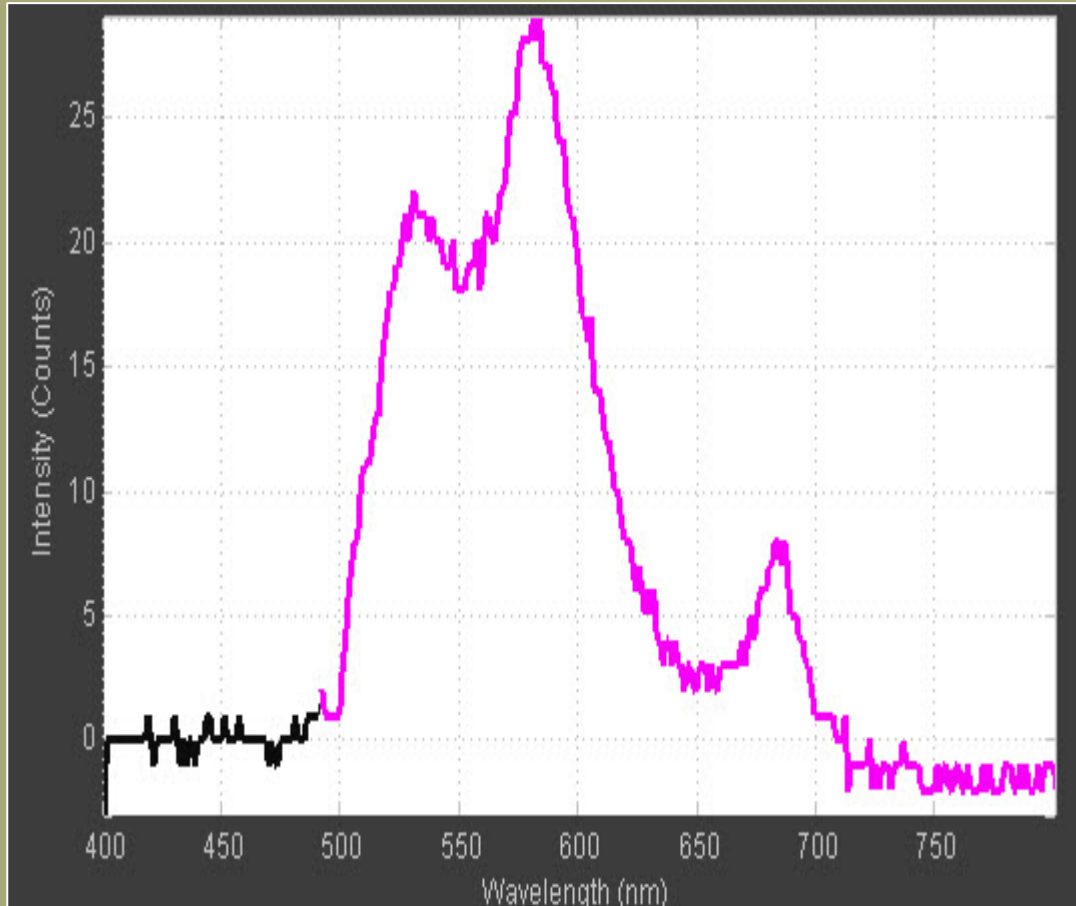
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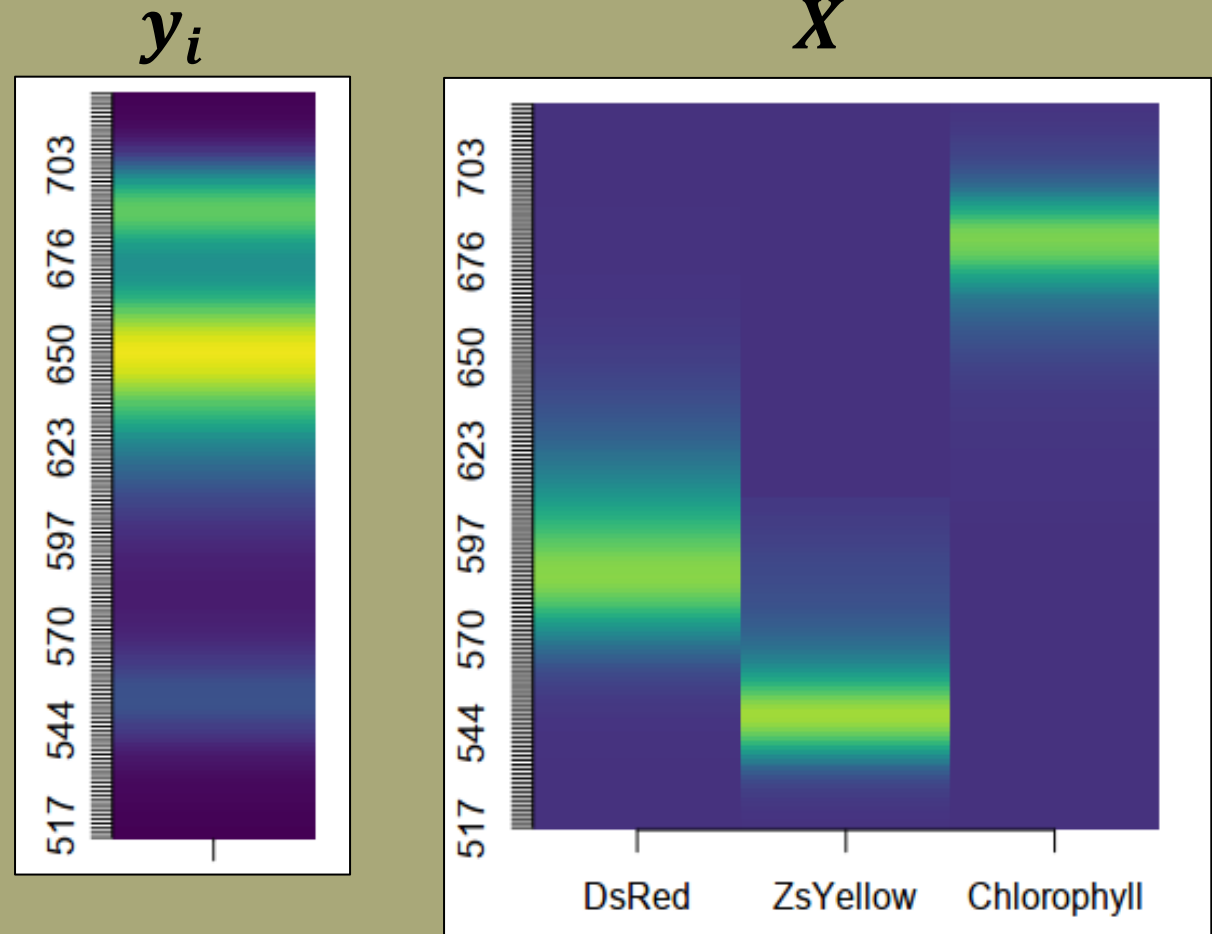


# Quantification of fluorophores

Fluorescence spectrum for a pixel



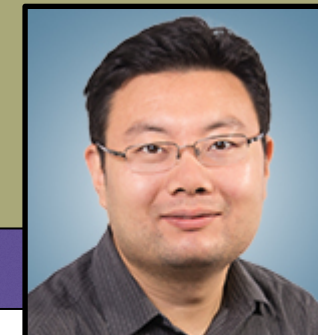
$$y_i = X^T b_i + \epsilon_i$$



# GUI for annotation of training set



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IDEAS: Intelligent DEep Annotator for Segmentation

Toolkit  
posPen negPen Rectangle

line width 1 mode DL-ObjectSelect Process

Class Object

Class Panel  
enter a class name  
Pick a color  
add  
clear

Stem  
Callus  
Shoot

add to  
Stem1  
delete  
delete all

Zoom In Canvas Label Zoom Out

History Panel  
undo  
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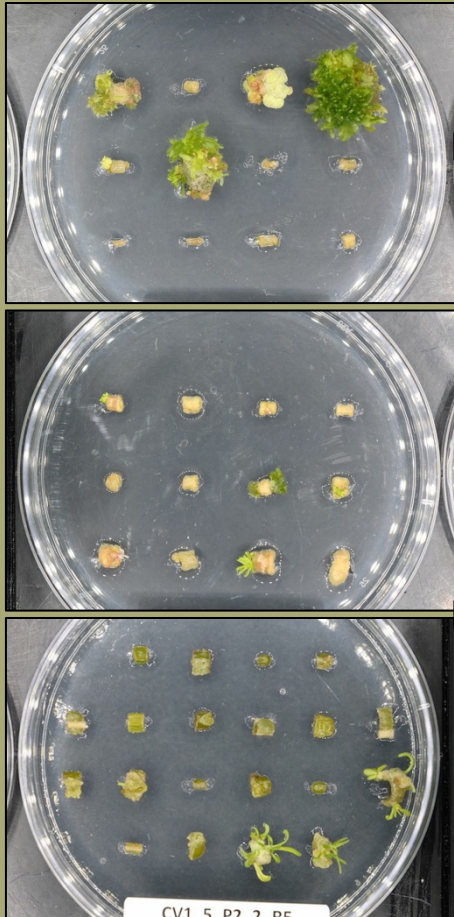
clearPositivePoints  
clearNegativePoints  
clearRectangle

add images clear gallery importConfig xml exportAllXML exportConfigXML save label

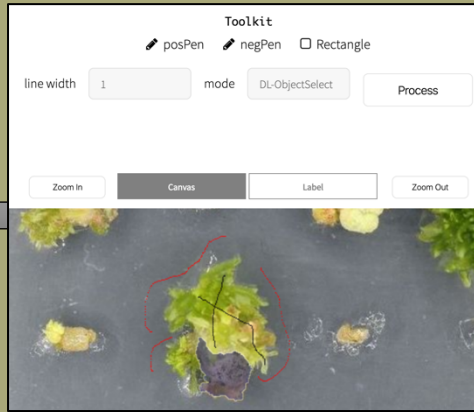


# Deep segmentation workflow

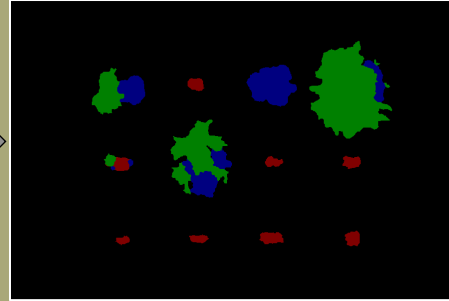
RGB images



Annotation GUI



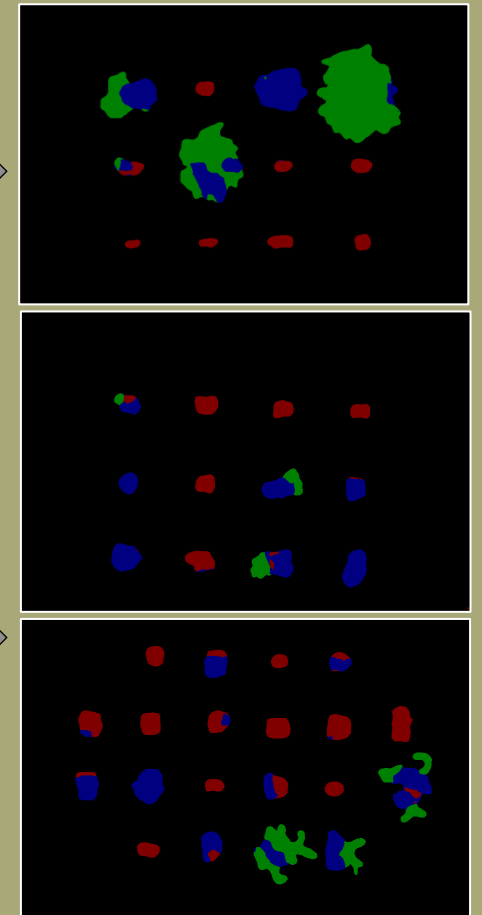
Training labels



Production of a training set  
by user annotation of  
partial dataset

Deployment of trained model to segment full dataset

Neural  
network for  
segmentation  
(Deeplab)

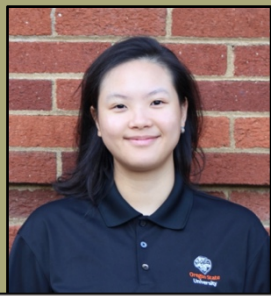


# Stacking of image layers from RGB, hyperspectral cameras requires alignment

<https://github.com/NSF-Image-alignment/ImageAlignment>



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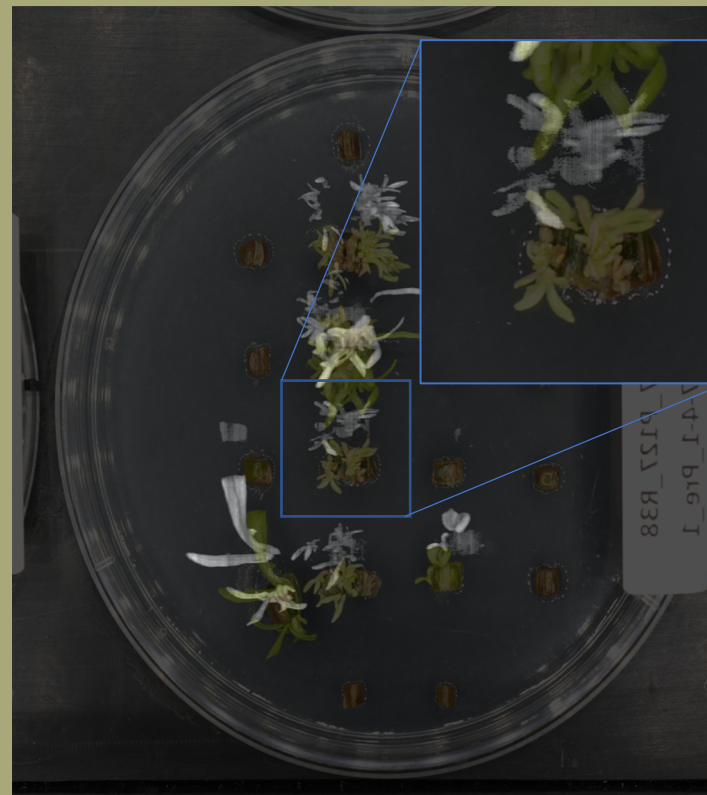


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Vision

- Differing resolutions, proportions, frame, angle of RGB, hyperspectral image layers
- Align green from RGB images, chlorophyll from hyperspectral data
- Batch transformation of RGB images to align with hyperspectral data



Unaligned image channels



Aligned image channels



# Measuring transformation rates across portions of images

**GMOdetectorR**

Chroma standard  
Browse... No file selected

Sample image  
Browse... No file selected

Grid position  
18

Reporter protein  
 DsRed  ZsYellow  GFP

Plot cropping  
 Whole plate  Single explant

Plots to build  
 Hyperspectral  CLS  PCA

Denoising threshold for Chlorophyll:  
0 95 200

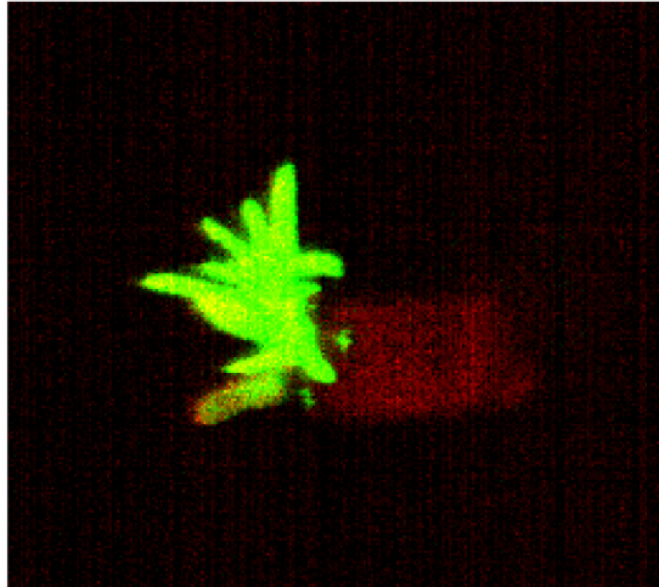
Denoising threshold for reporter protein:  
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Maximum intensity for Chlorophyll:  
1 200 1,000

Maximum intensity for reporter protein:  
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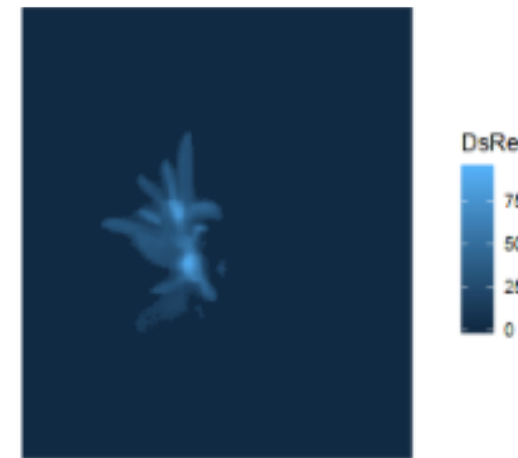
Chlorophyll signal  
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Hyperspectral Plots CLS plots PCA plots



- Graphical interface for easily...
  - Tweaking parameters for hyperspectral data filtering and visualization
  - Analyzing filtered pixels by regression, PCA

DsRed in segment: 102k

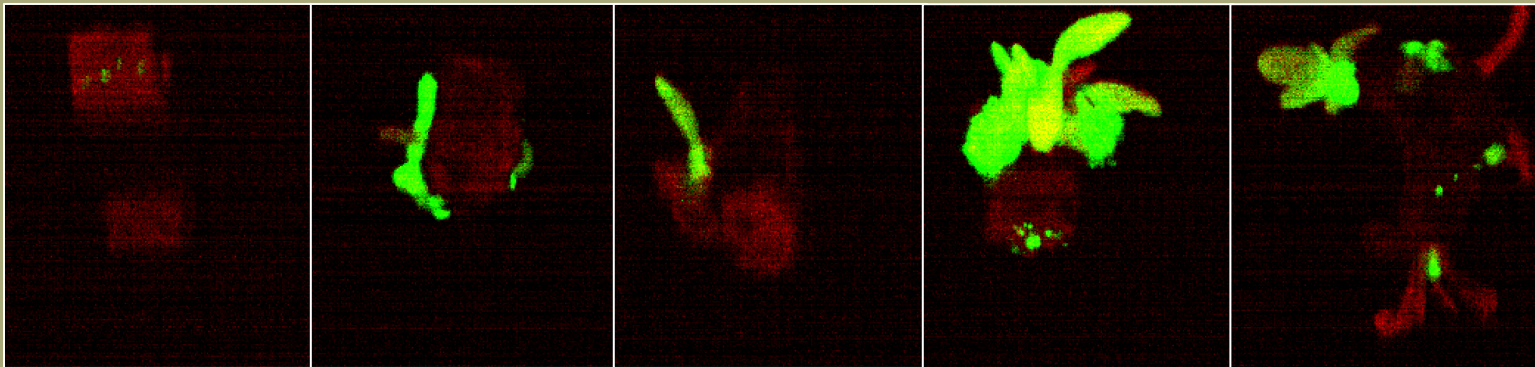


Chl-A in segment: 19k

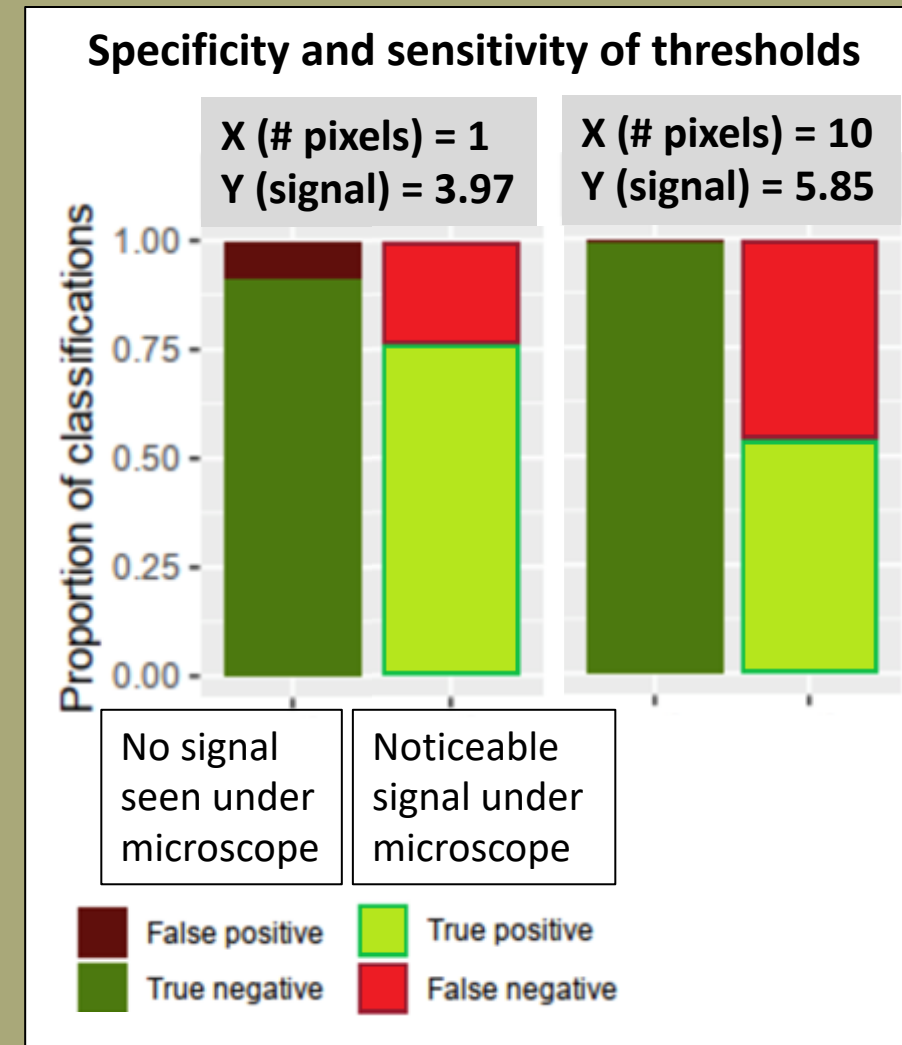


# Fluorescent microscopy vs. hyperspectral analysis: Direct comparison of ability to recognize transgenic explants

Examples of DsRed+ phenotypes observable  
with false color applied to hyperspectral data



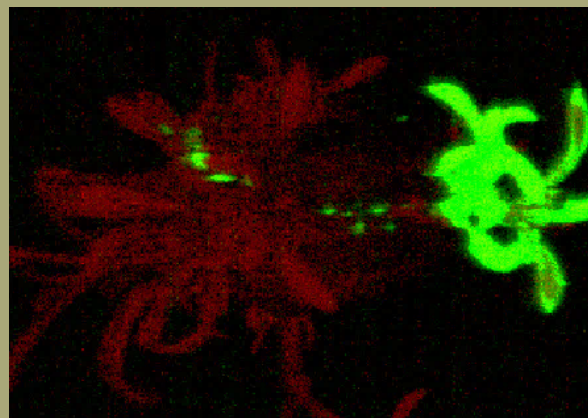
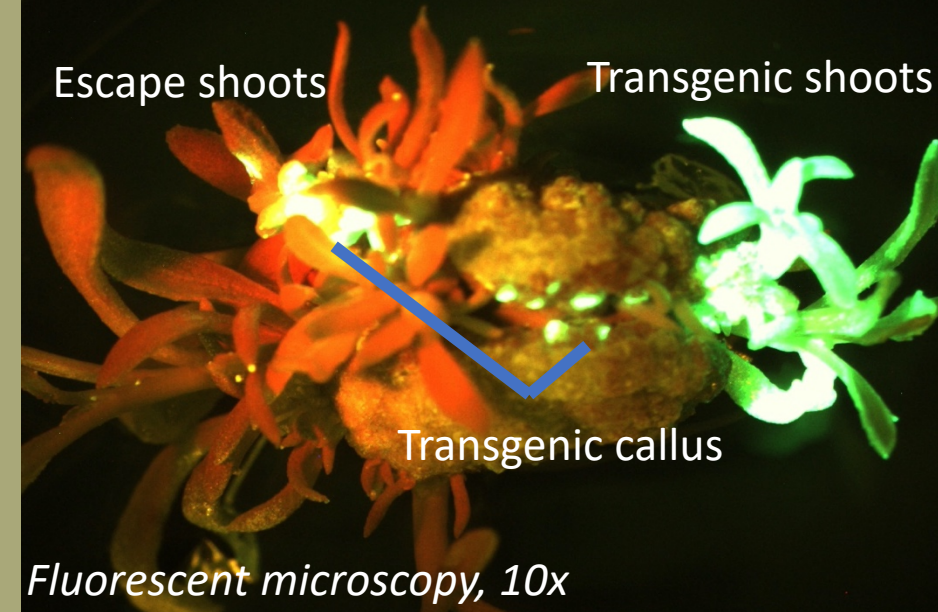
- Convert hyperspectral statistics to binary for comparison to fluorescent microscopy  
*If  $X$  pixels have  $Y$  signal intensity, classify explant as transgenic*
- Compare to classifications by human on microscope (4,423 explants)





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Hyperspectral imaging to quantify fluorescent proteins

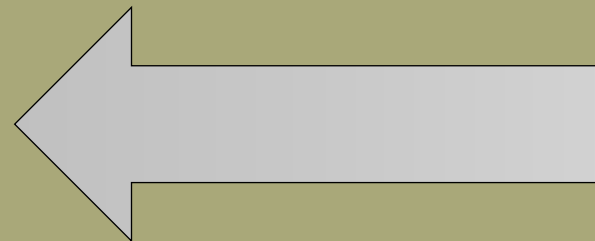


Deep learning for segmentation of plant tissues

Callus
Shoot

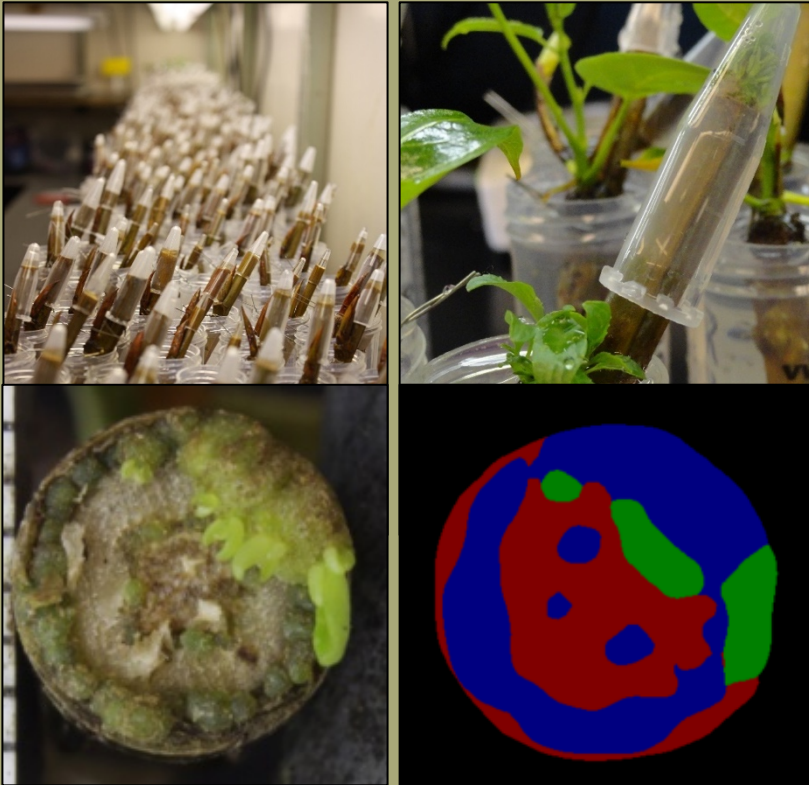
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# Demonstration of machine vision workflow in Genome-Wide Association Study of *in planta* regeneration

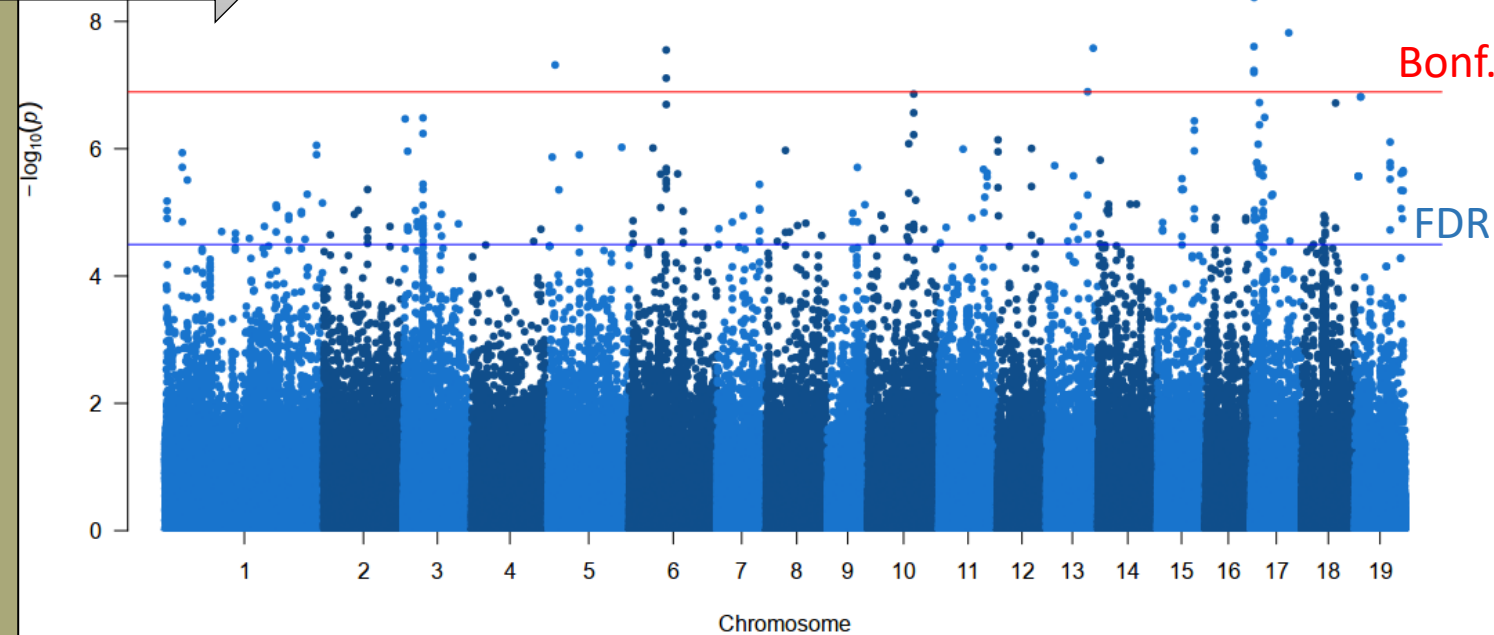
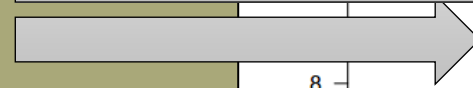
Regeneration induced in stem tips by wounding, cytokinin treatment



Tissue class	Percent of area
Stem	45%
Callus	43%
Shoot	12%

## Sequence-Kernel Association Test

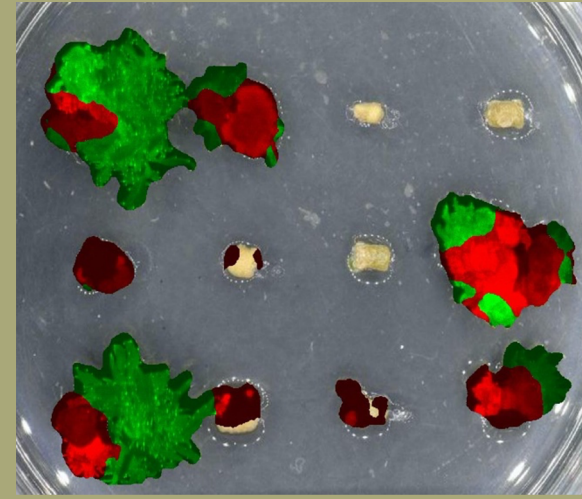
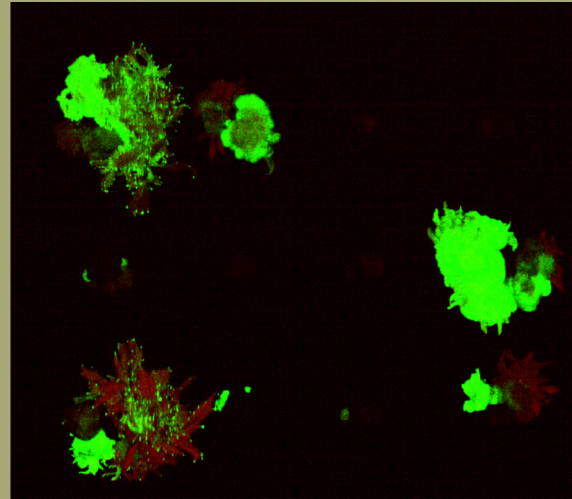
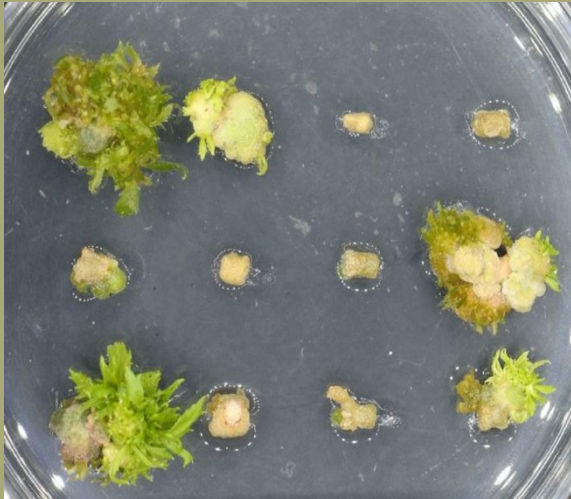
- 874 poplar genotypes
- 28M genetic markers (~71.4% rare)
- Adjacent markers collapsed into ~390k 3kb window, tested for combined effect





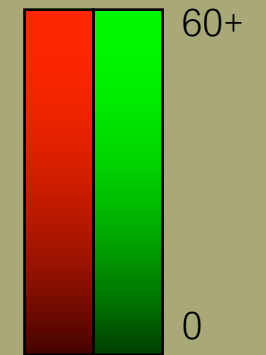
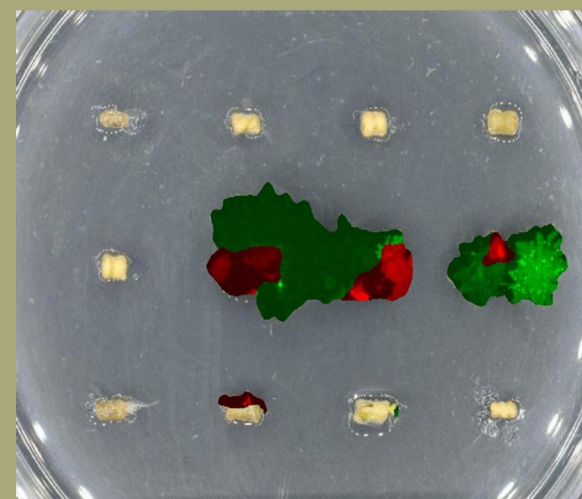
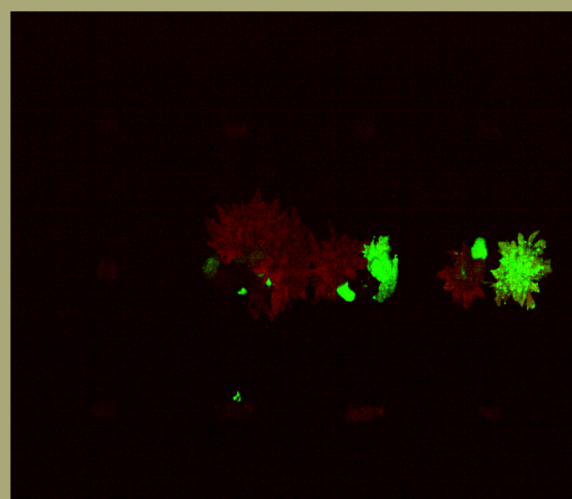
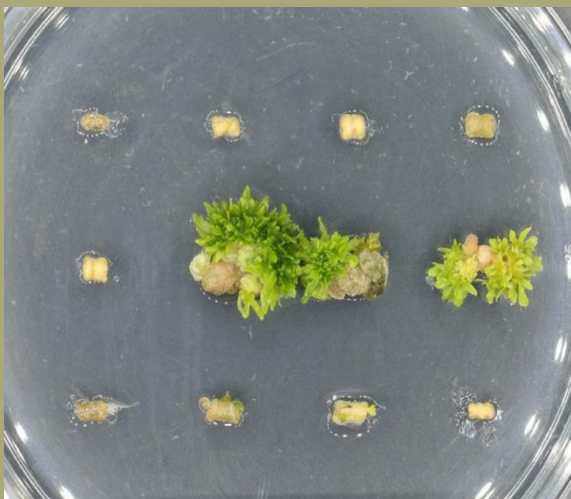
# Treatments to enhance regeneration: Comparison of morphogenic genes in poplar

Transformed with *WOX5α*



T-statistics for  
DsRed in tissues

Transformed with *WOX11*

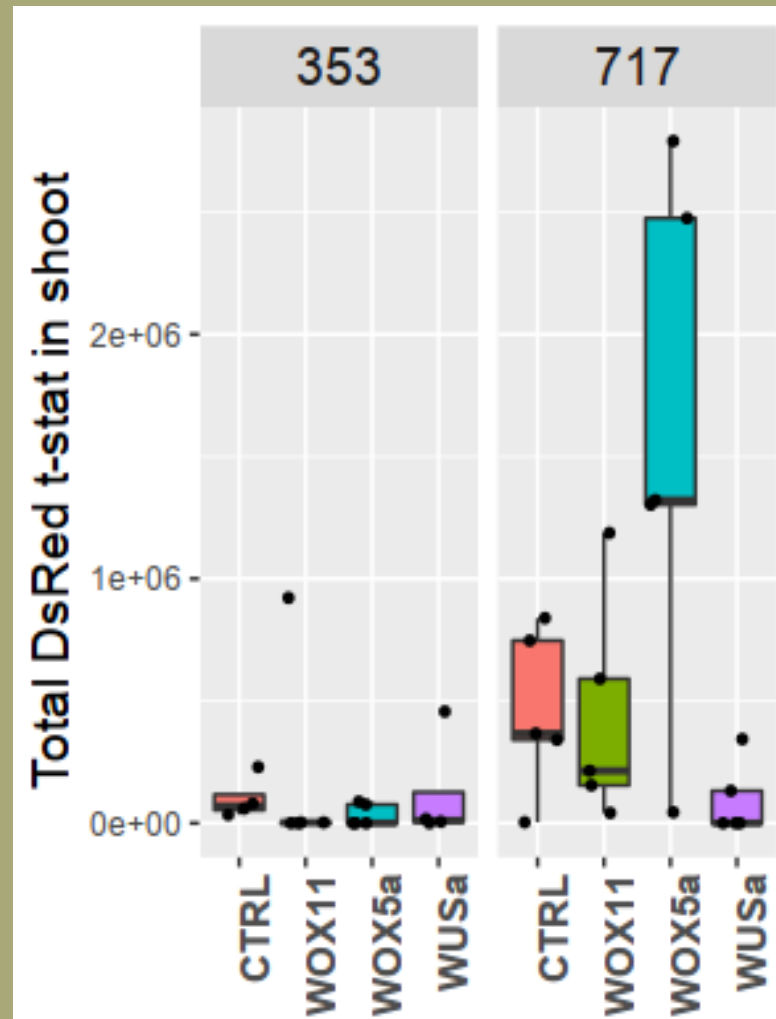
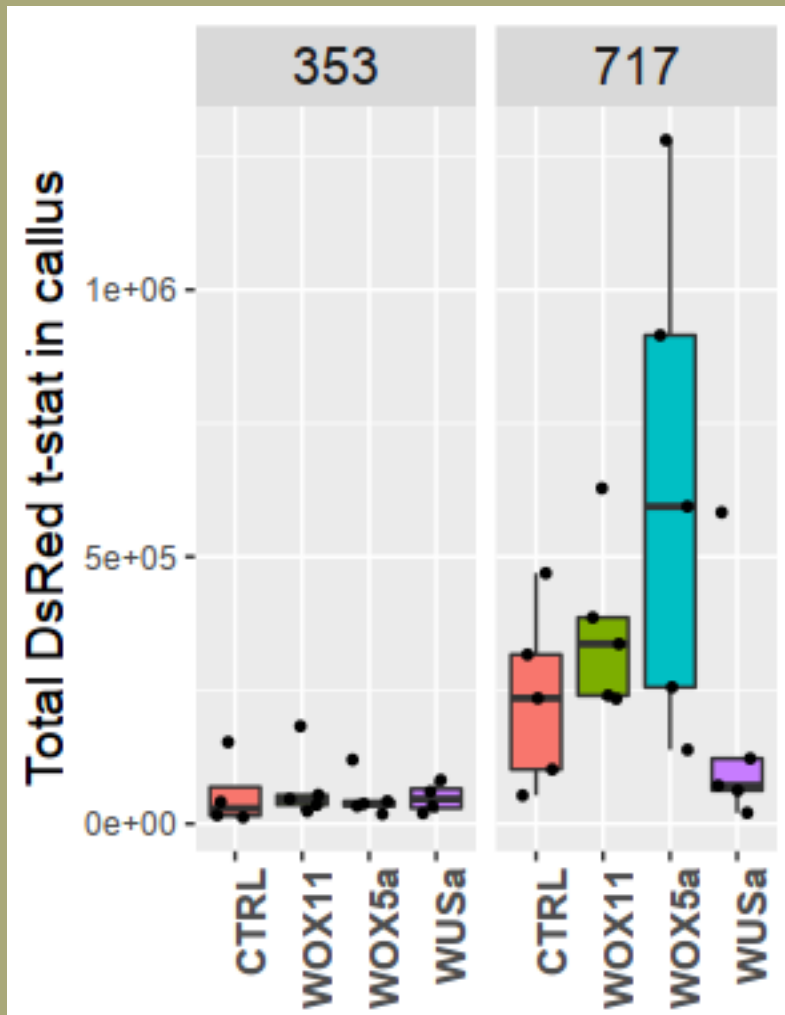


Callus  
Shoot



# Effects of *WUSa*, *WOX5a*, *WOX11* on regeneration in two poplar hybrids

Preliminary results for 456 explants across 38 plates



- Ongoing replication
  - More genotypes
  - More co-treatments
  - >10k explants total

# Summary

- High-throughput RGB + hyperspectral imager (*macroPhor Array*)
- Annotation interface to build training set for deep segmentation
- Deep segmentation of RGB images into specific tissues
- Hyperspectral analysis of fluorescent protein content by pixel
- Alignment, integration of deep segmentation and hyperspectral data
- GWAS of *in planta* regeneration using deep segmentation alone
- Effects of developmental genes on transformation using combined deep segmentation and hyperspectral analysis

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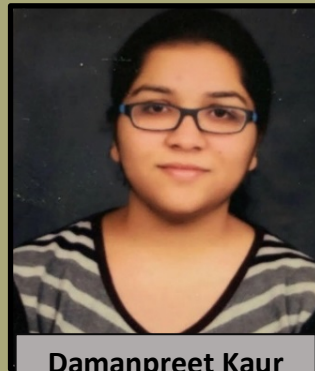
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