

Building a Physics Institute's Outreach Programme

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Outreach Programme

◦ News items

◦ Social media

◦ Dissemination

◦ Side projects



Outreach Programme

◦ News items

- Research publications
- Grants
- Awards
- Events

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Outreach Programme

- News items

- Social media

- Dissemination

- Newsletters
- Press contacts
- Website

- Side projects



Outreach Programme

◦ News items

◦ Social media

- Twitter
- Facebook
- Pinterest
- LinkedIn
- Instagram

◦ Dissemination

◦ Side projects



Outreach Programme

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- Image Award
- Movie Physics Misconceptions
- Wall Formulas
- Graphic Design



Outreach Programme: Goals for science

- Visibility for Institute
 - Within University
 - Within global physics community
 - Among Dutch general audience



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- **General: Vital to science**

- Scientists (e.g. first interest in science)
- Public approves/wants science funding



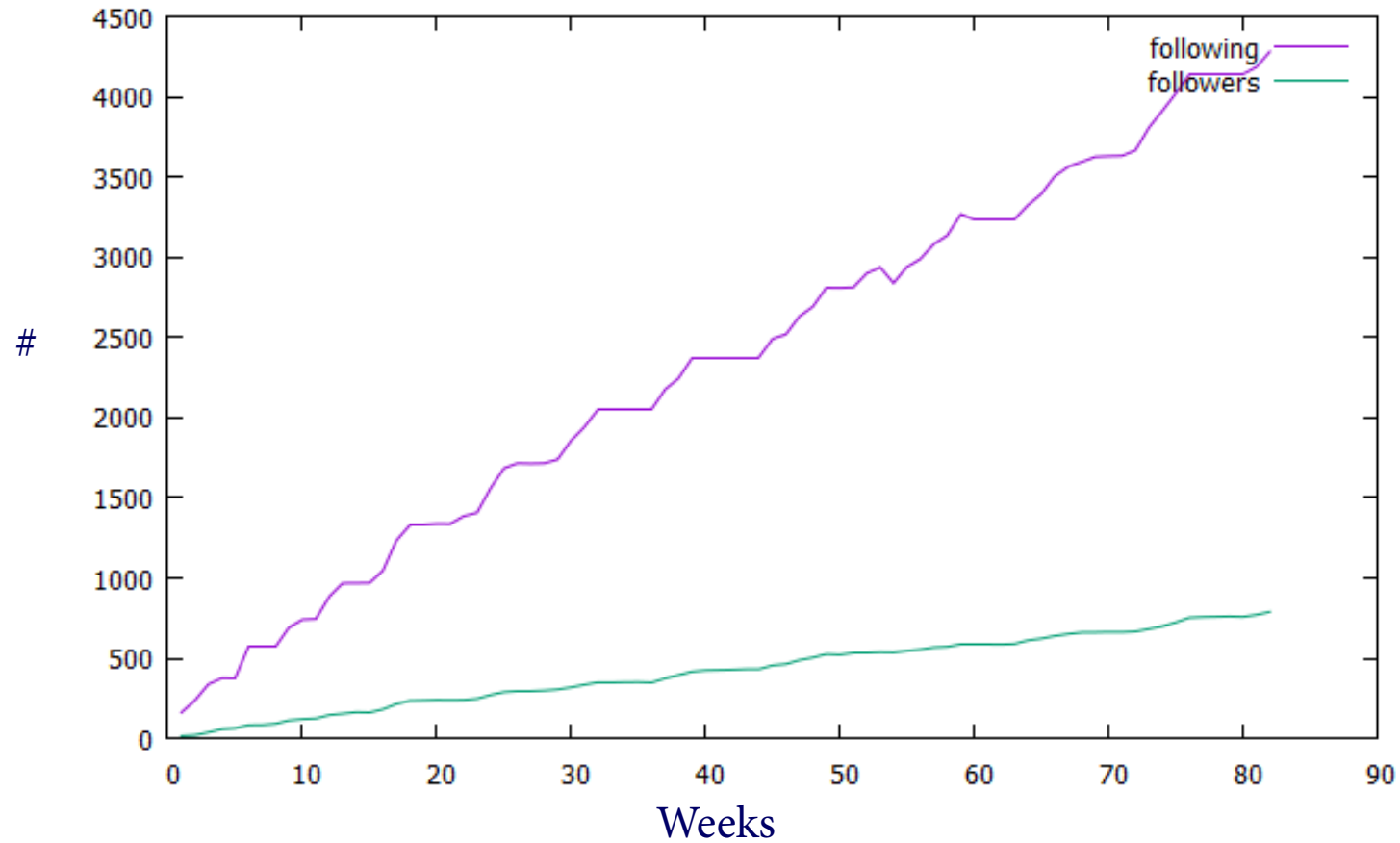
Social Media Analysis

- No prior active outreach programme: no pre-existing data

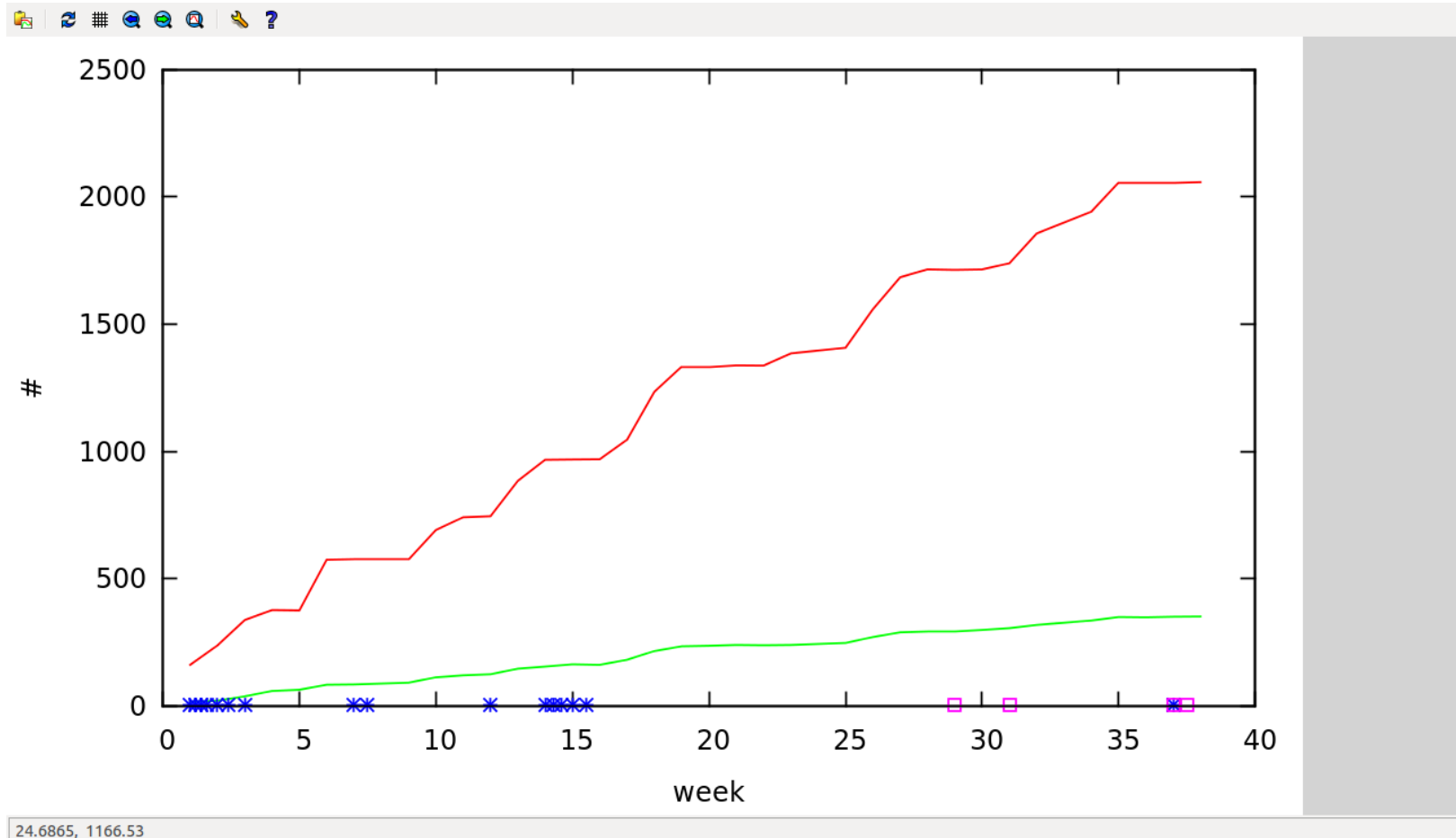
- Main social media:



Social Media Analysis



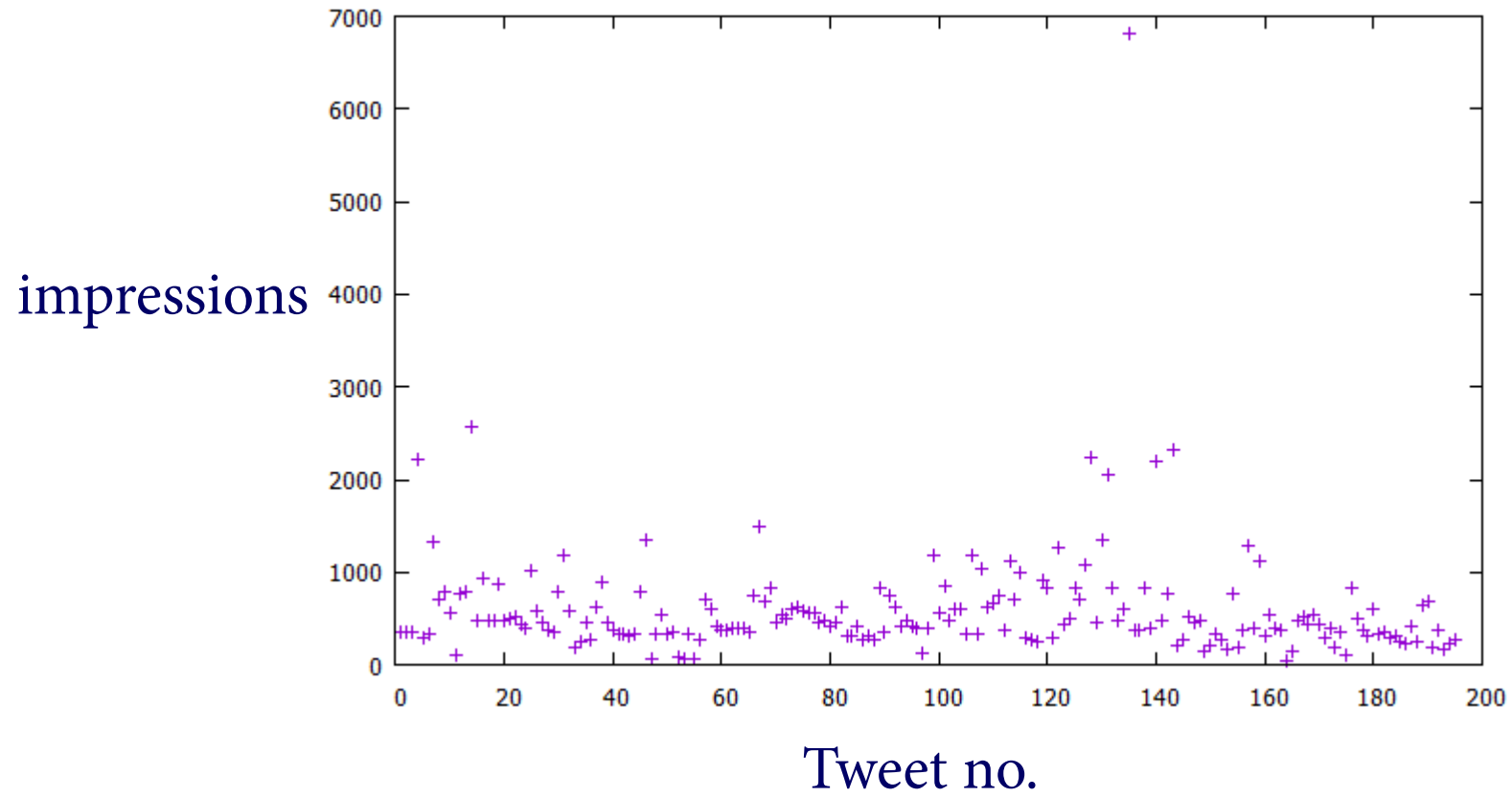
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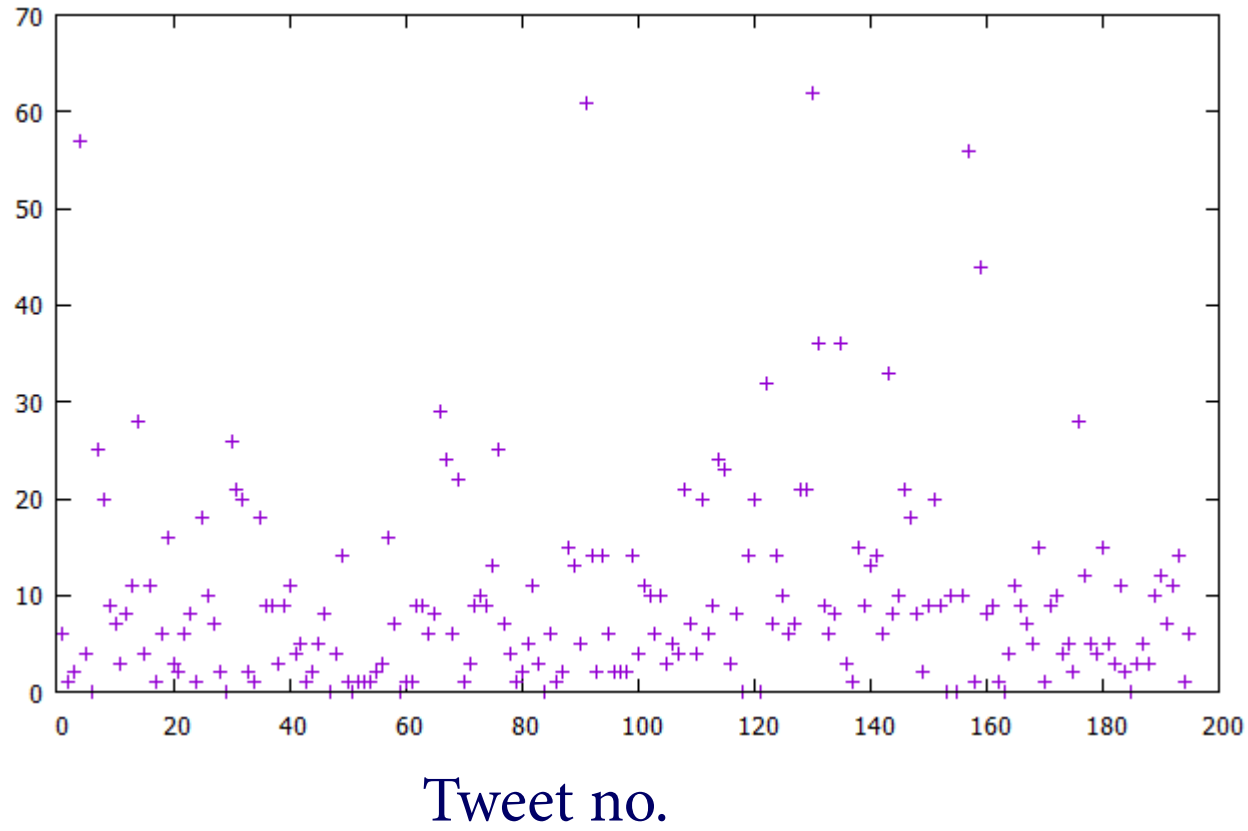


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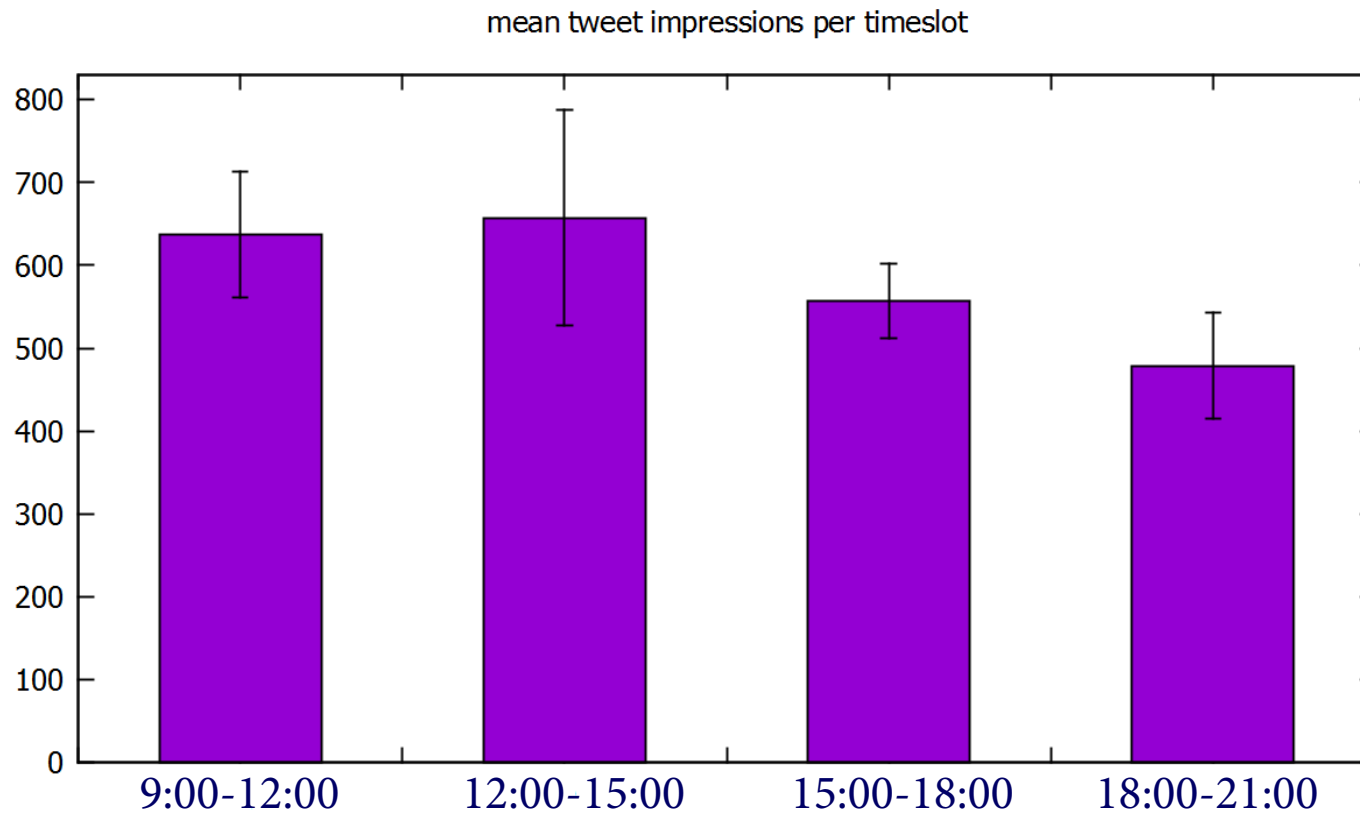


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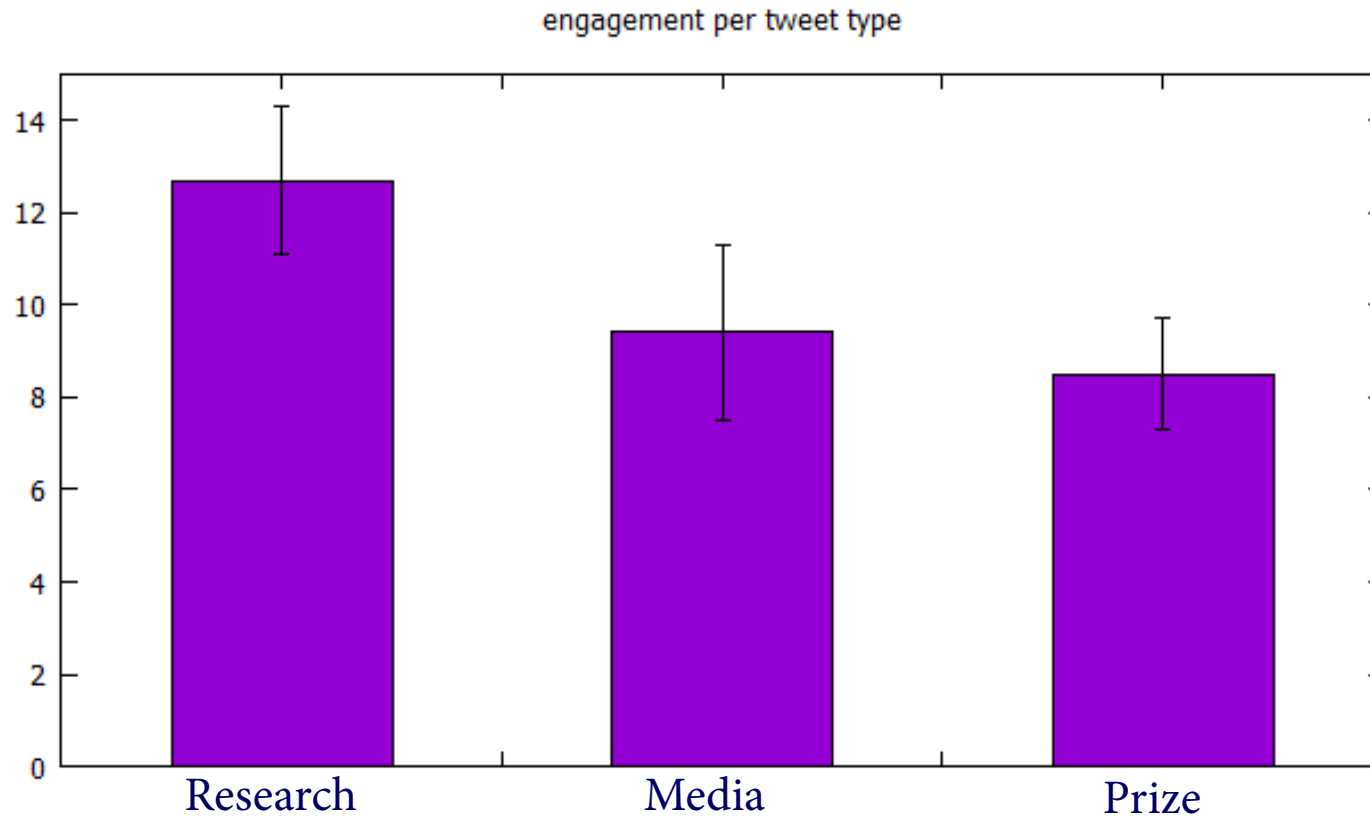
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Social Media Analysis



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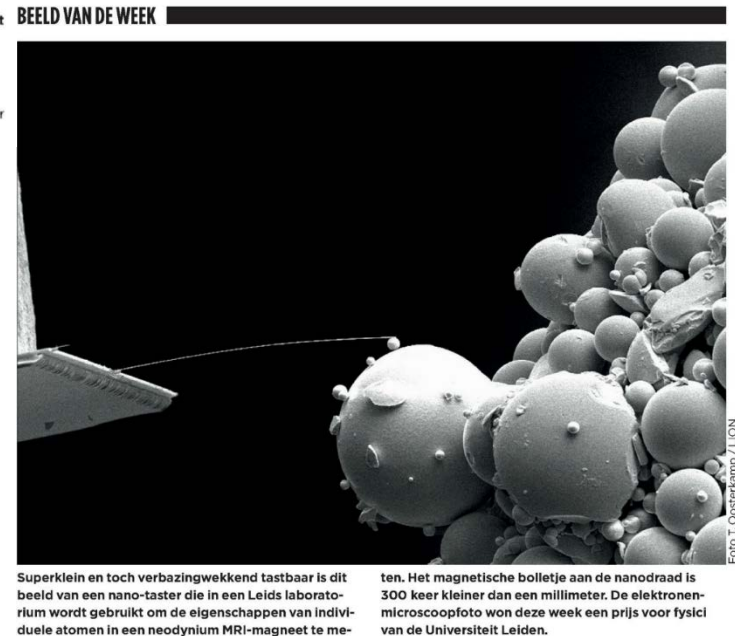
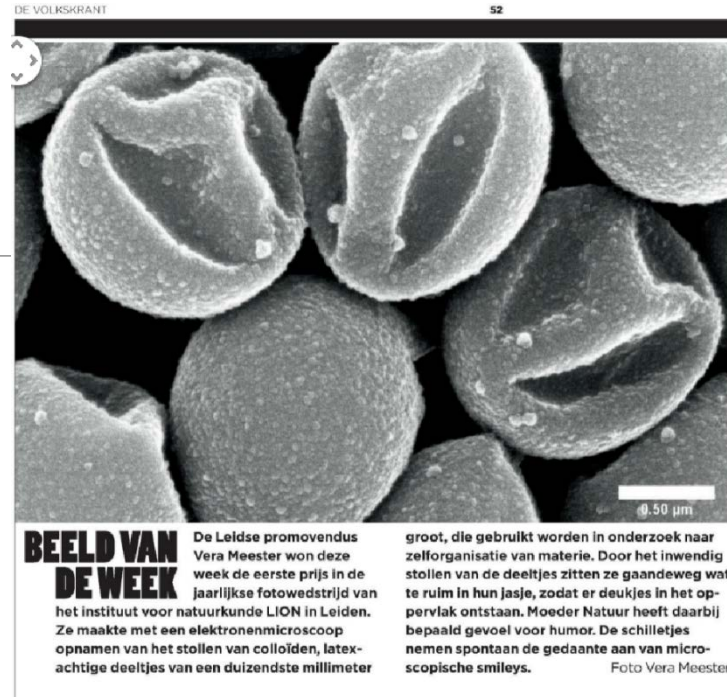
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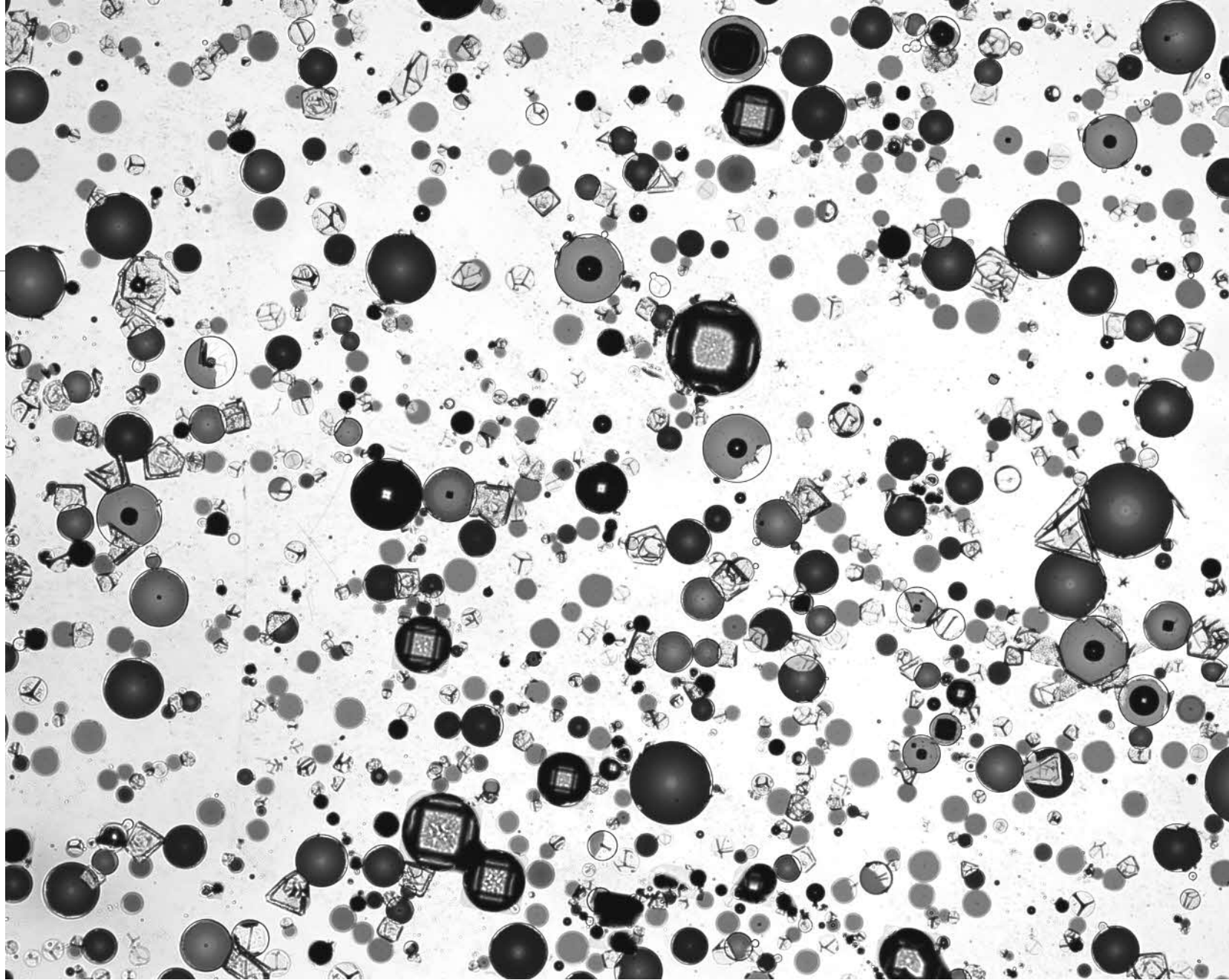
- Average no. impressions per tweet = 596 ± 44
- Average no. people reached per Facebook post = 267 ± 16
 - ~same as no. page likes
- Per follower: not relevant for Twitter

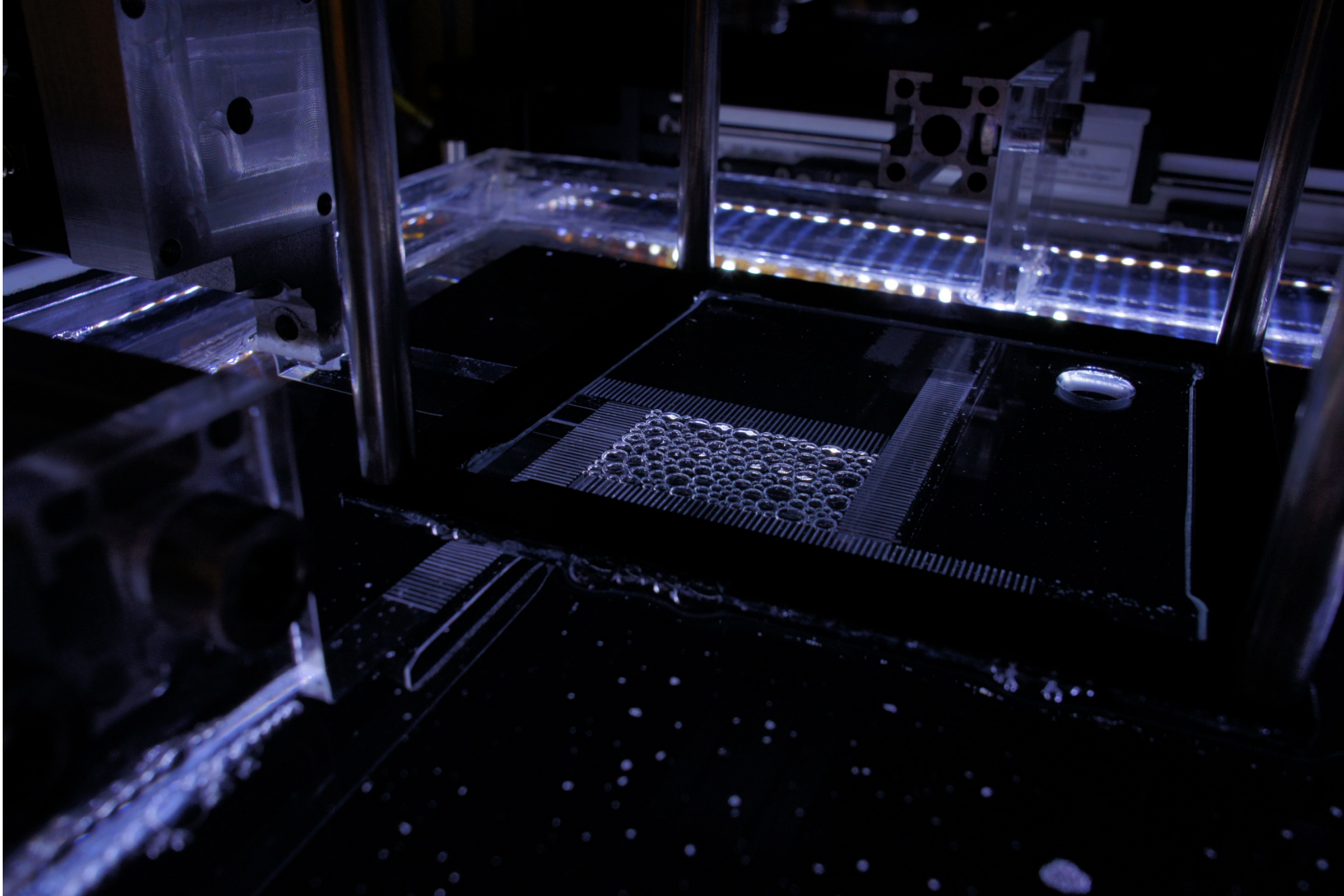


Image Award

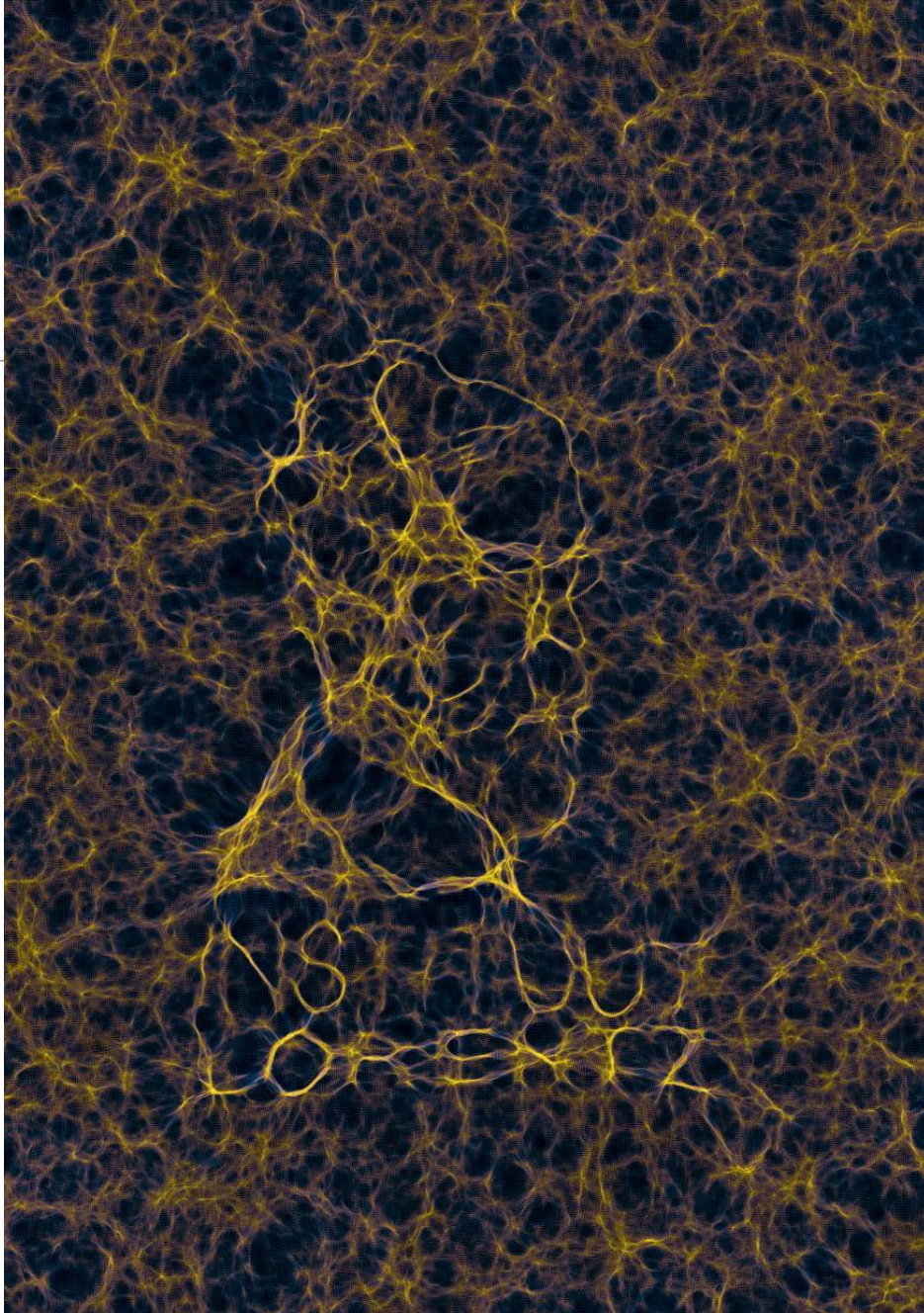
- Teambuilding
- Get physicists into outreach
- Stock material
- Media attention

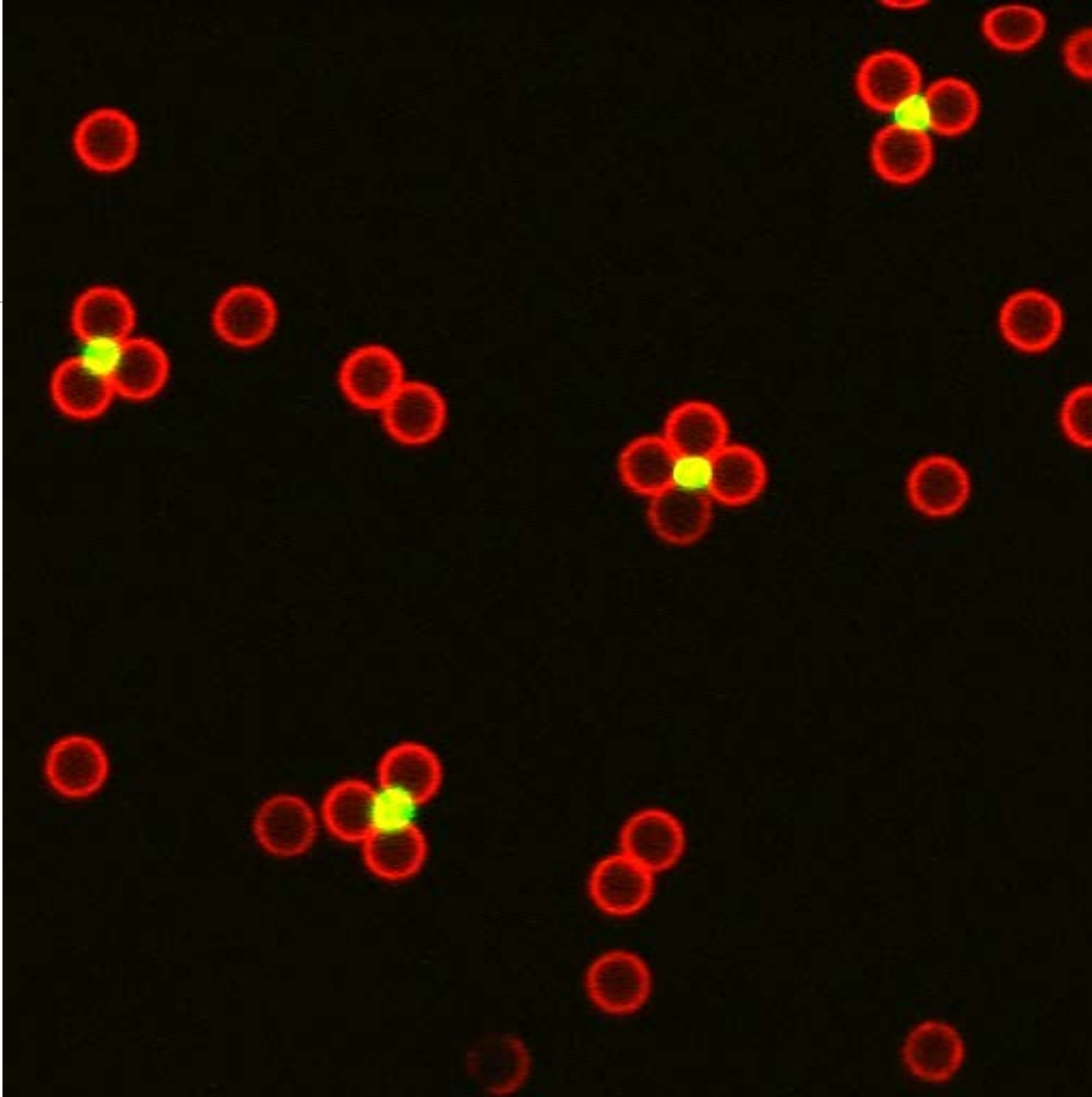


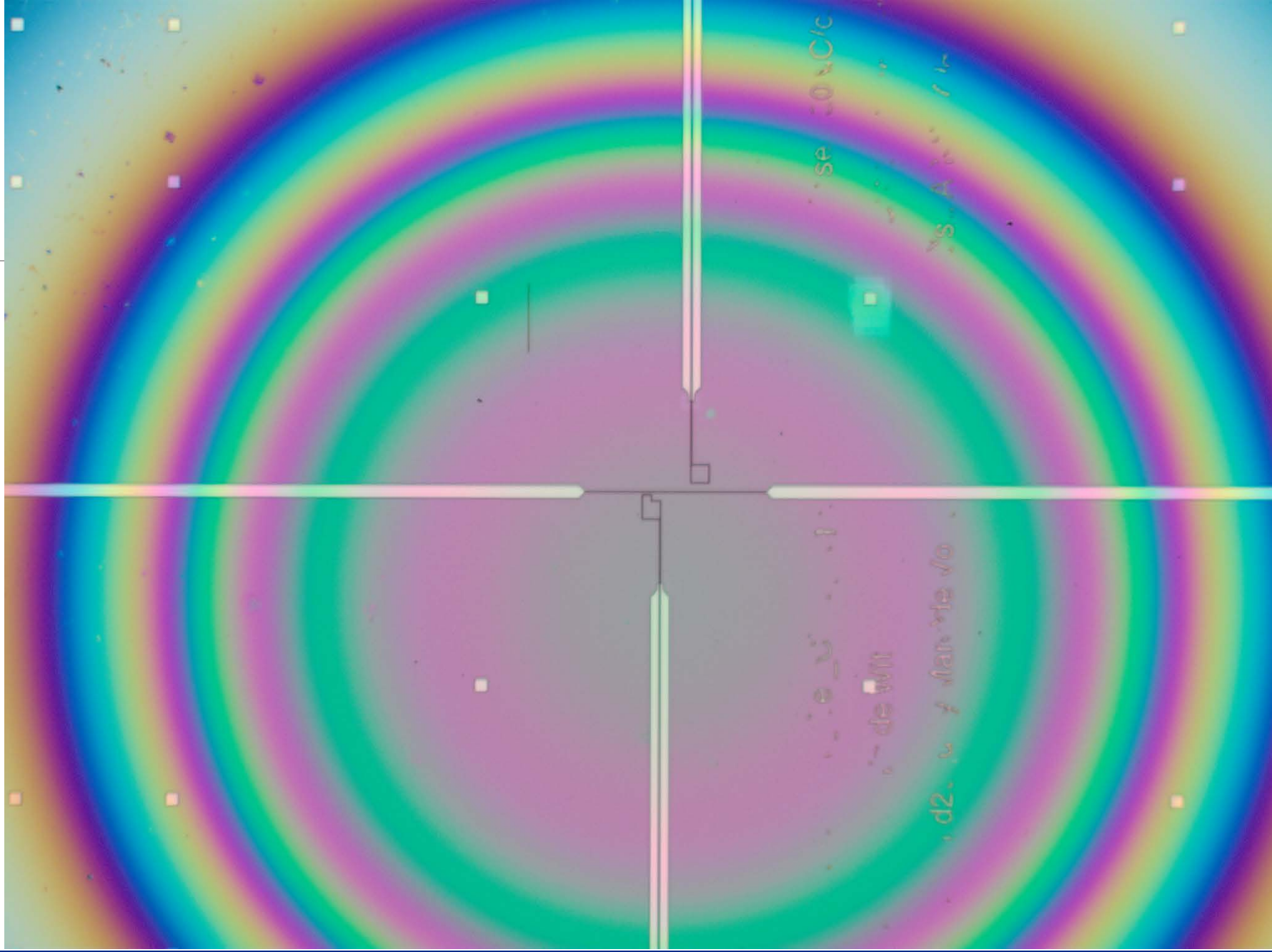


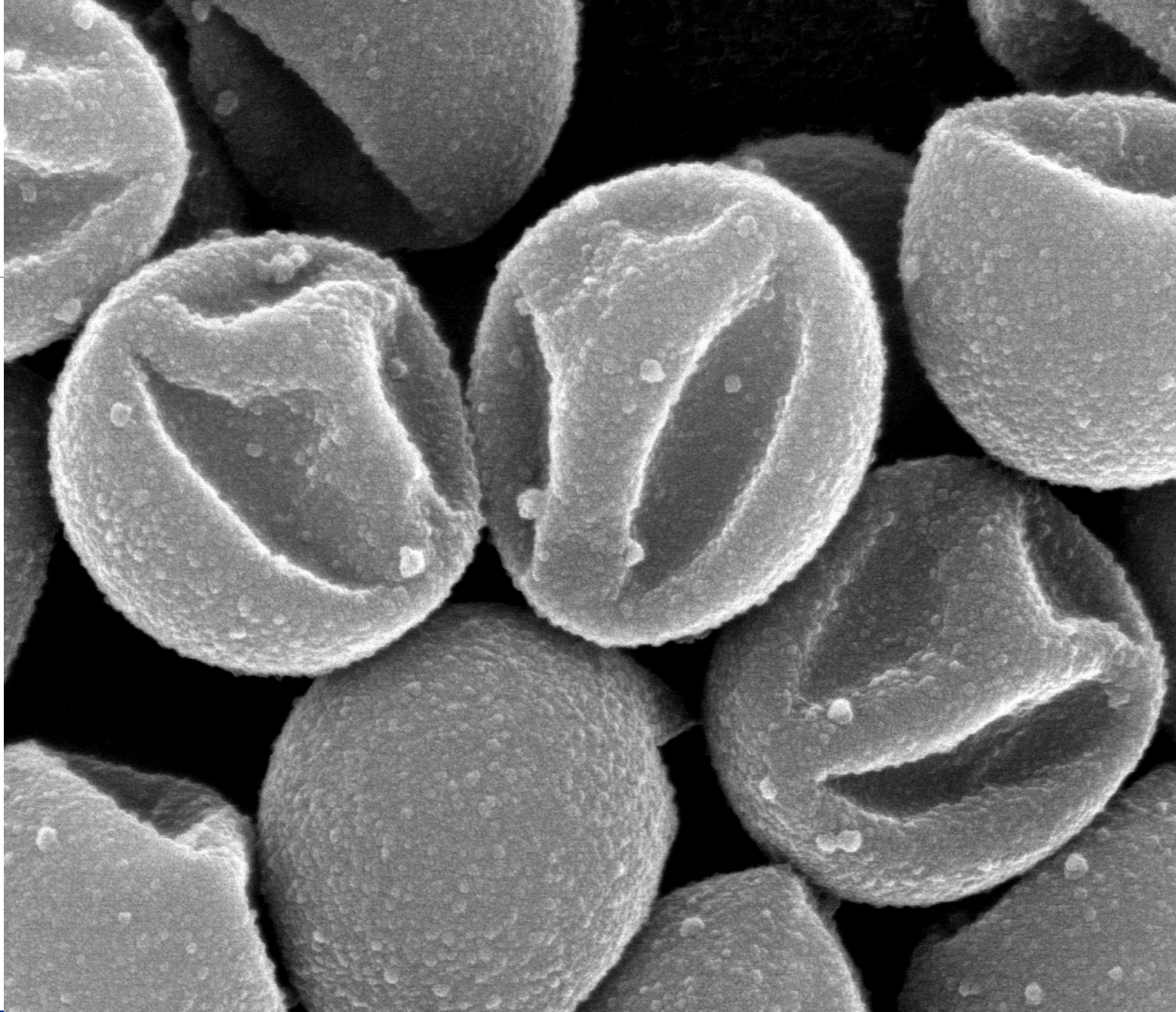


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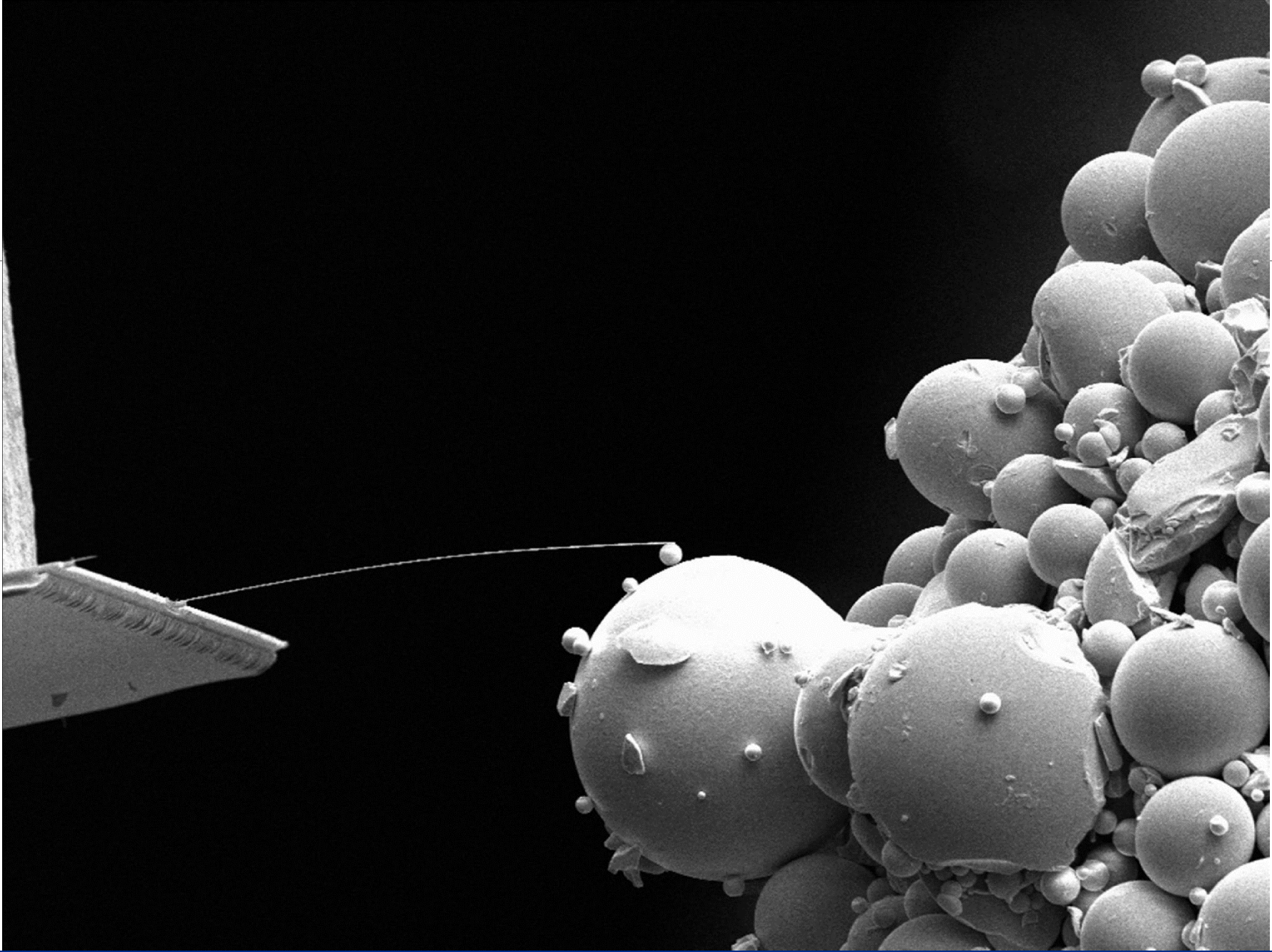








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Wall formulas

Power of pictures





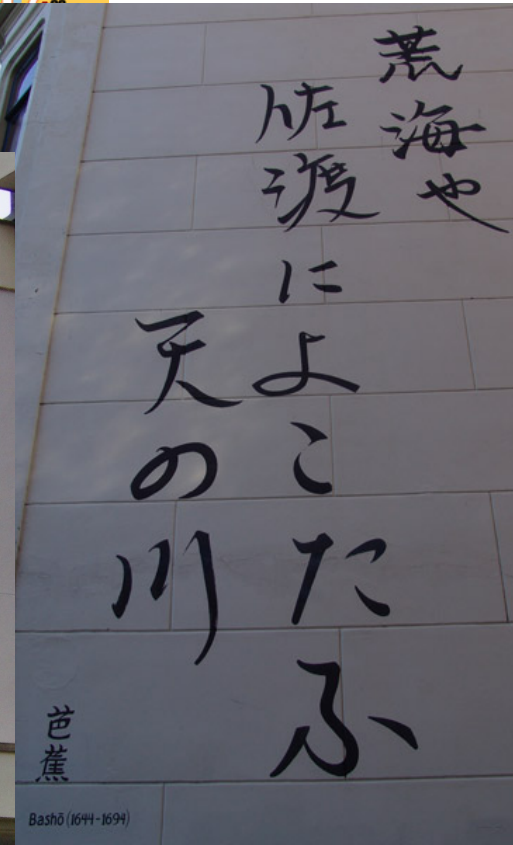
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WILLEM HUSSEM (1900-1974)



mijn moeder is mijn naam vergeten,
mijn kind weet nog niet hoe ik heet.
hoe moet ik mij geborgen weten?
noem mij, bevestig mijn bestaan,
laat mijn naam zijn als een keten
noem mij, noem mij, spreek mij aan,
o, noem mij bij mijn diepste naam.
voor wie ik liefheb, wil ik heten.

NEELTJE MARIA MIN (1944 -)



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Bashō (1644-1694)

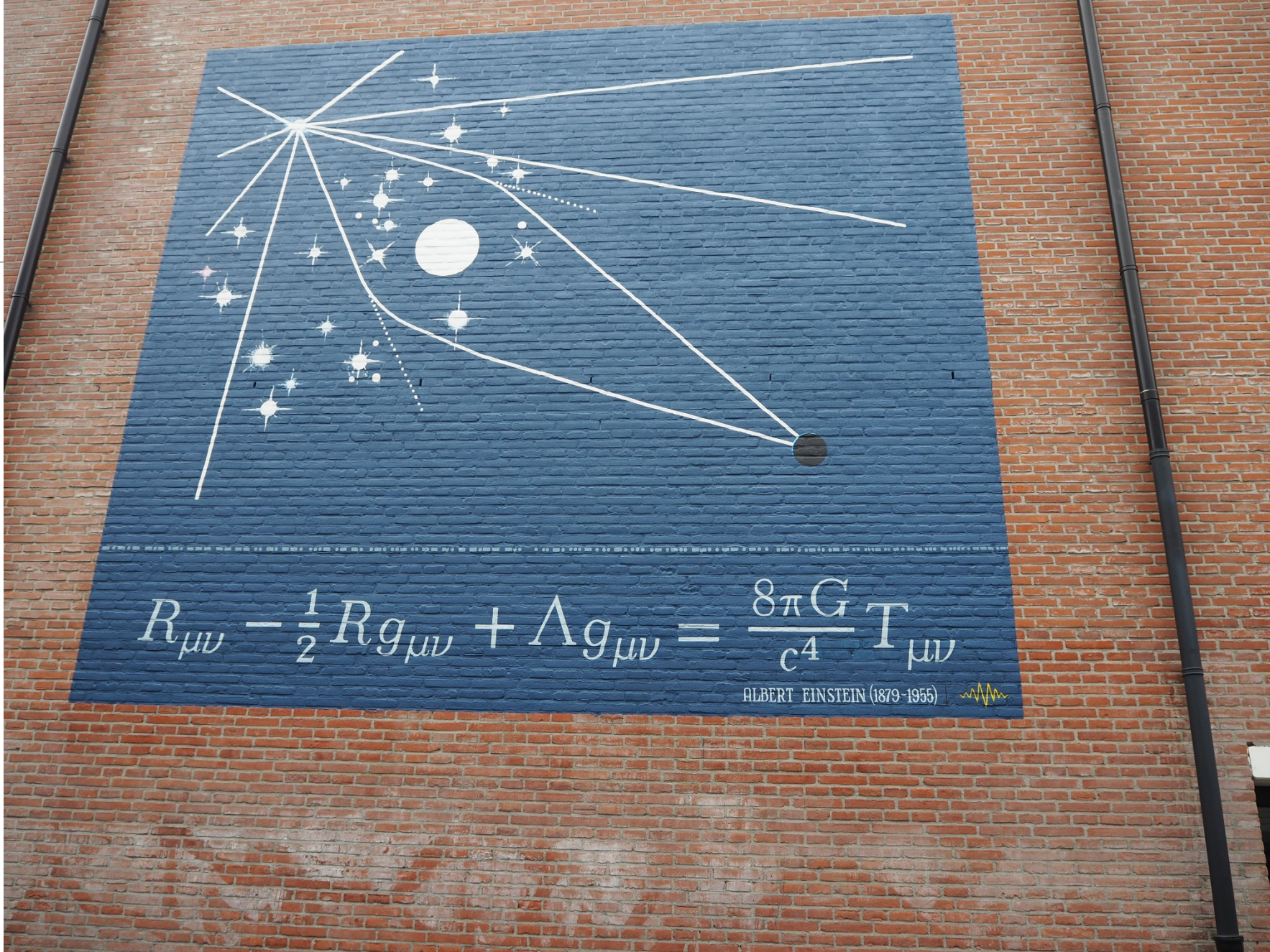
Wall Formulas

- Snell's refraction law
- Lorentz contraction
- Van der Waals equation
- Huygens pendulum
- Leyden jar
- Ehrenfest theorem
- Oort constants
- Electron spin
- Lorentz force
- Superconductivity









Movie on “Misconceptions in Physics”



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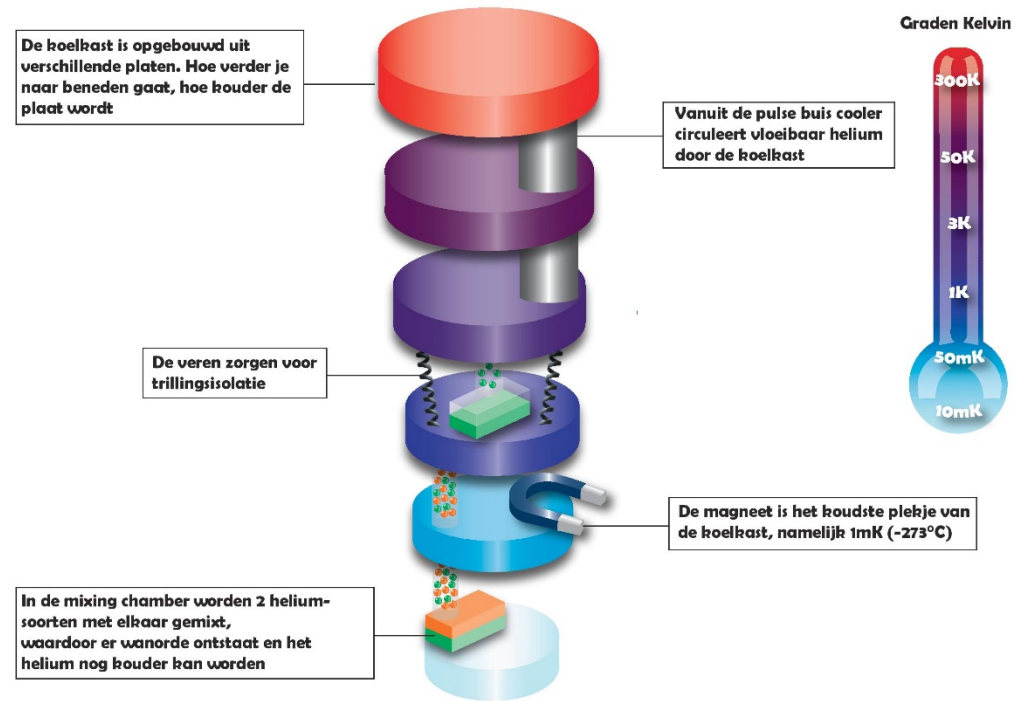


Graphic Design

- Students get SciCom experience
- Physics institute gets “free” graphic designs
 - Stock material for presentations
 - Artist impressions to get a journal cover
 - Support material for outreach projects



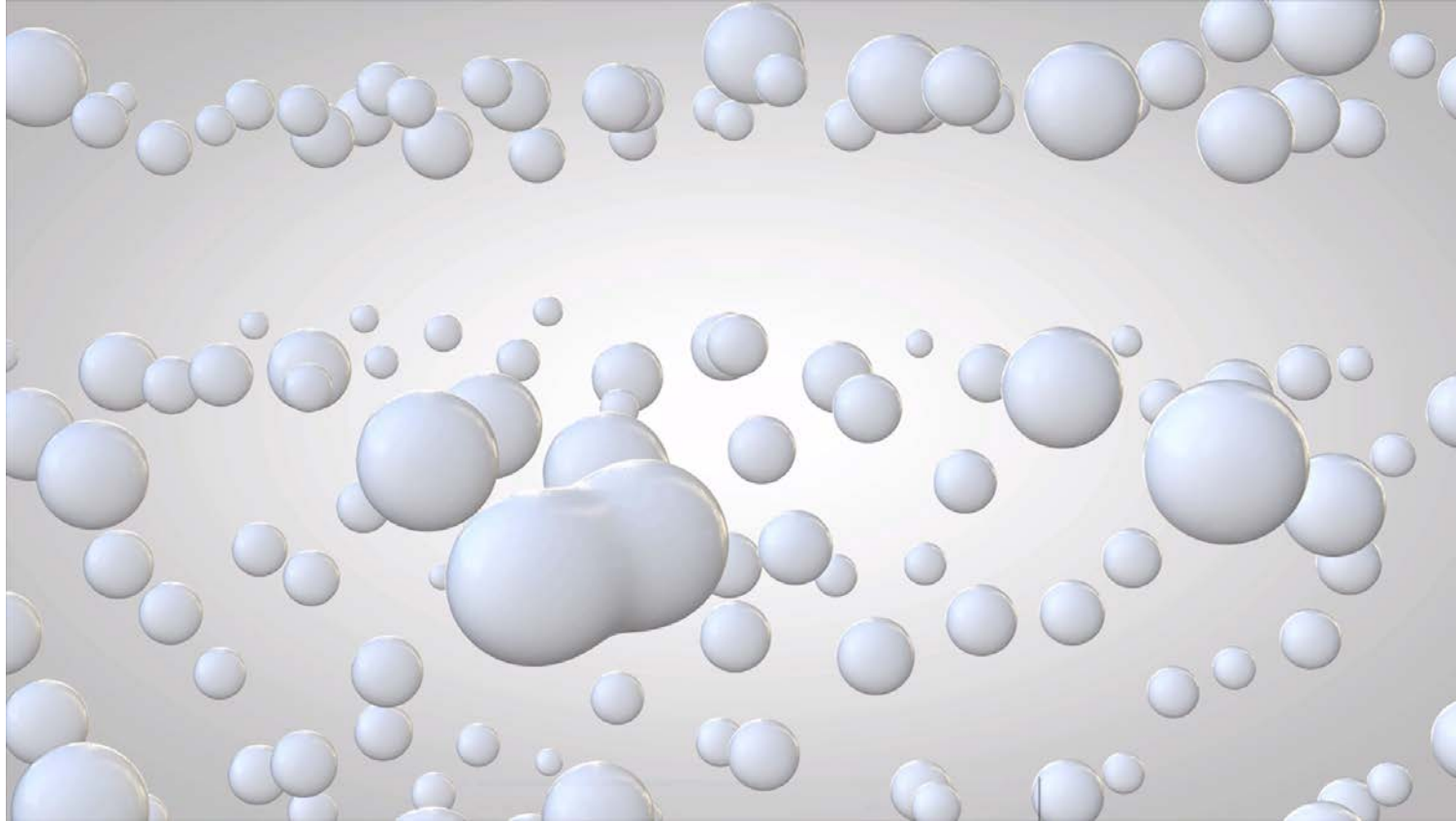
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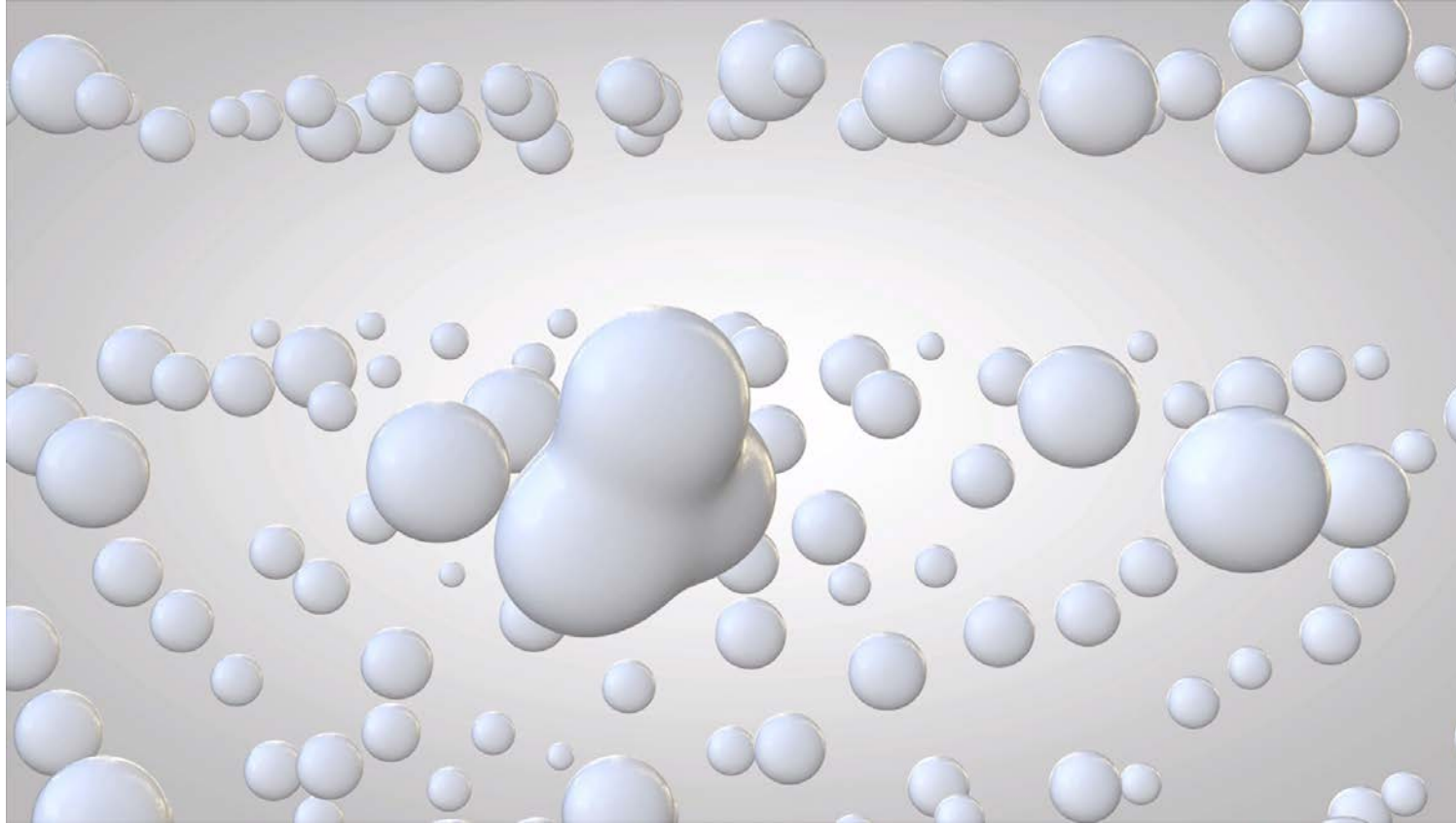
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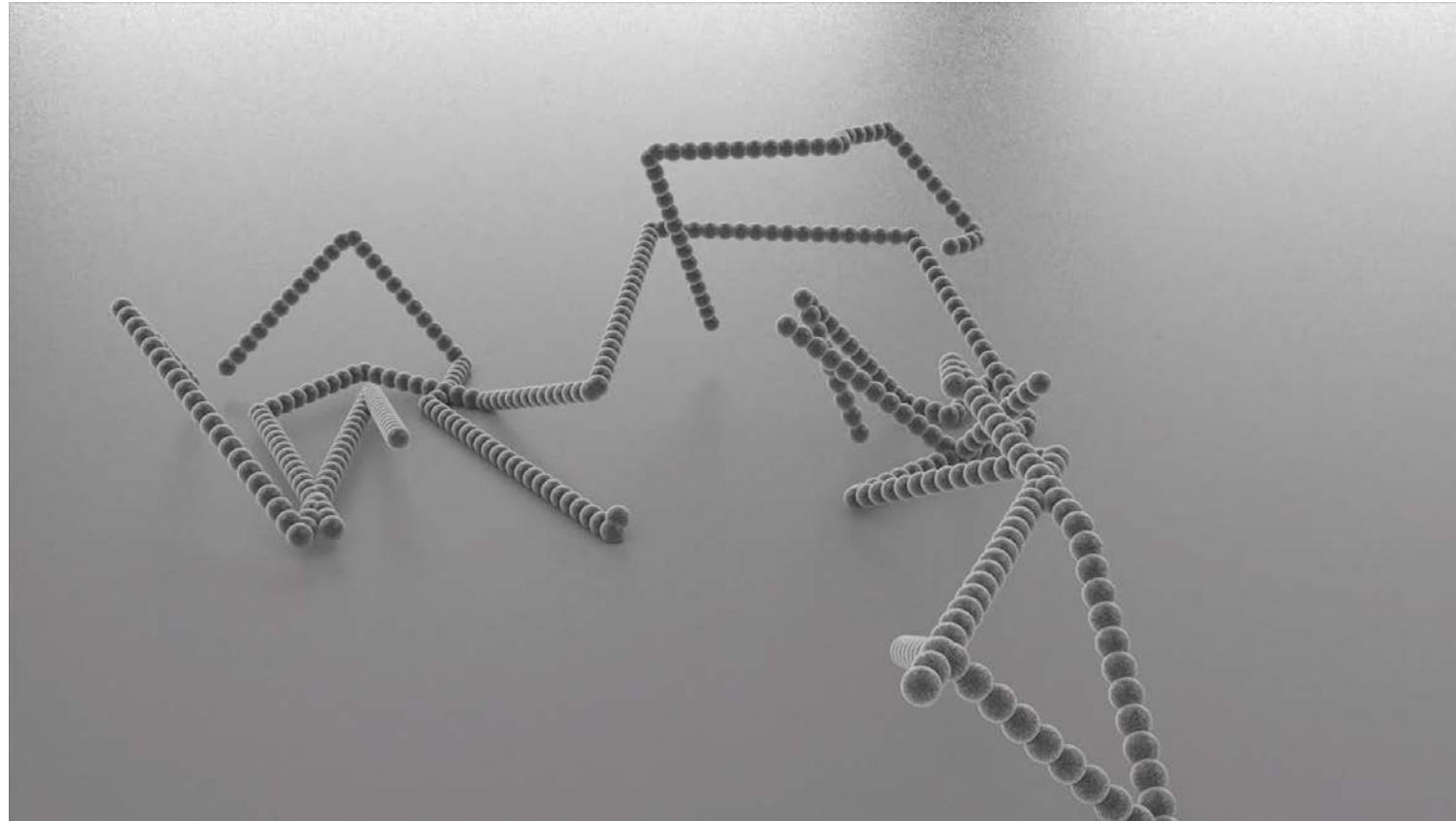
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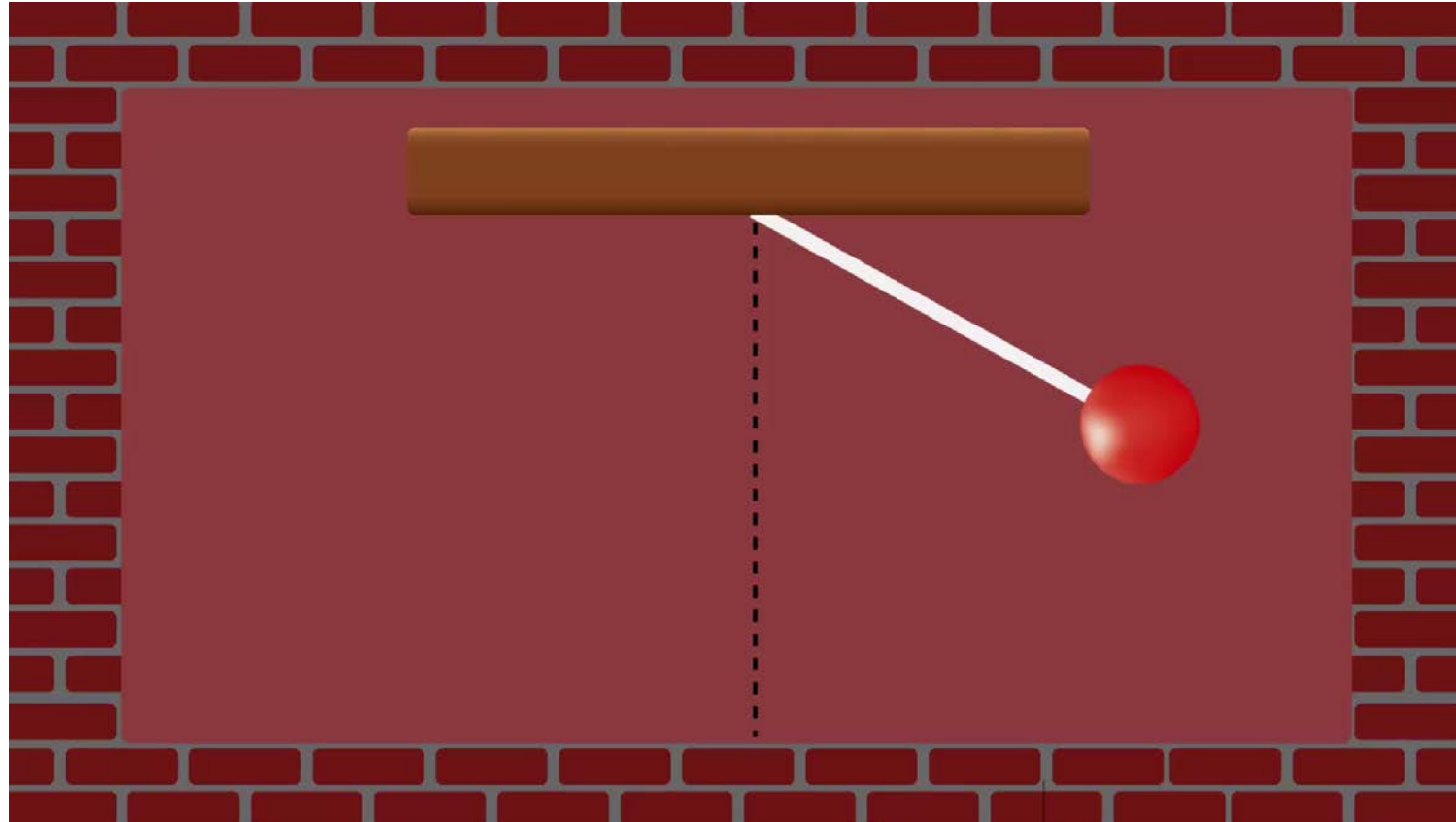
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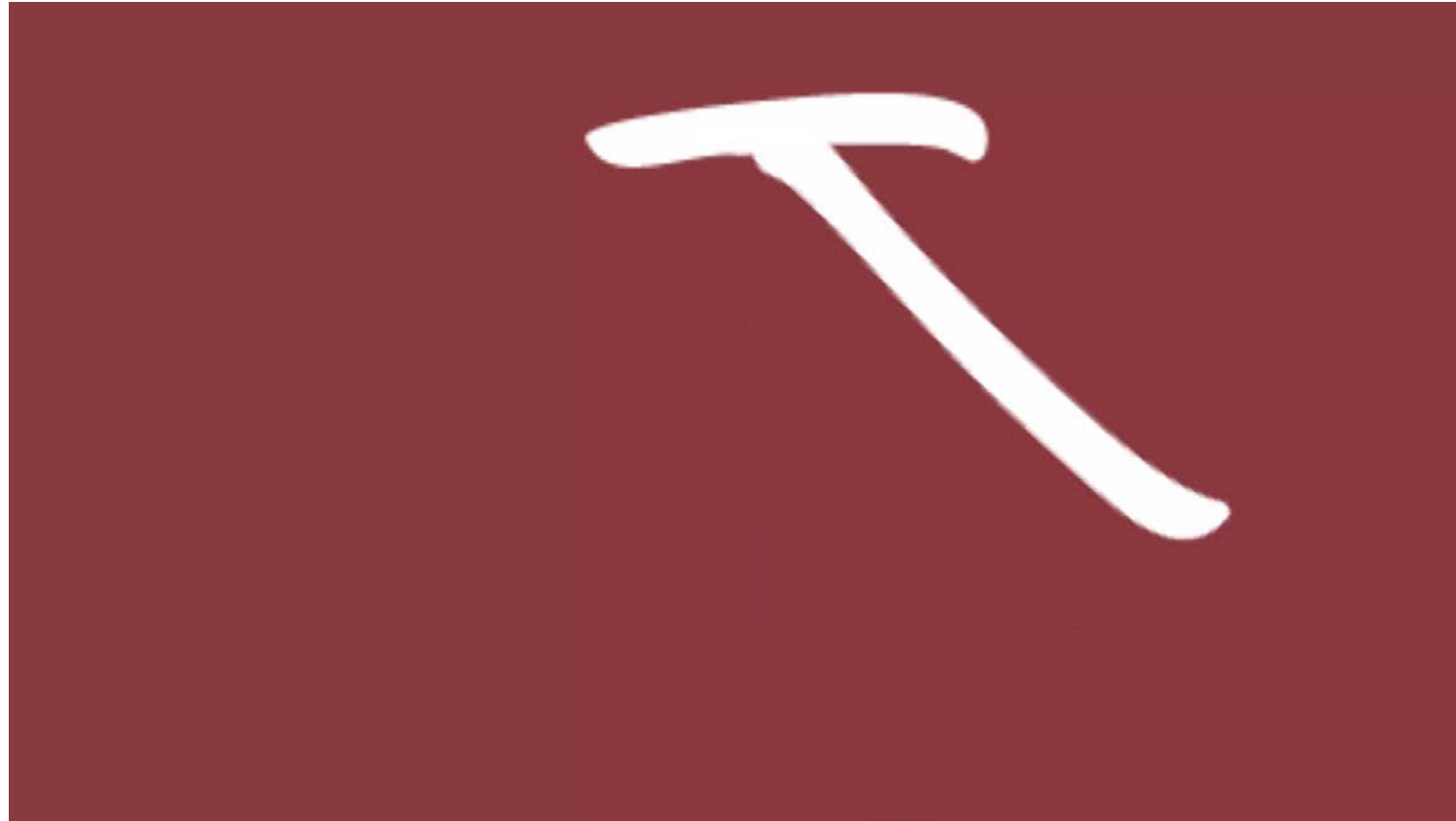


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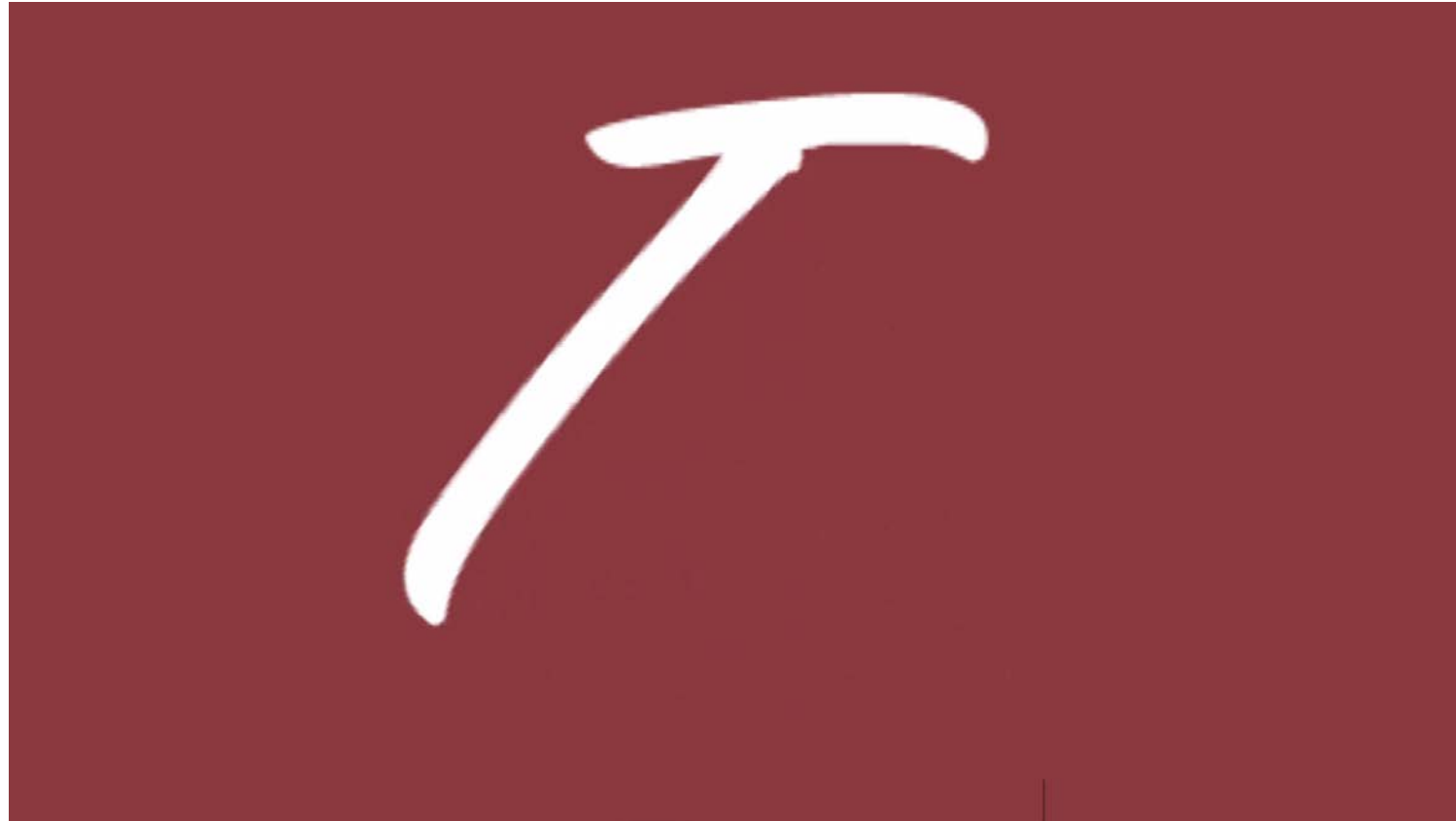
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Overview

- Effective: following twitter accounts
- Ineffective: retweets and mentions
- <1000 followers: more followers \neq more engagement
- Tweets on research \rightarrow most engagement



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