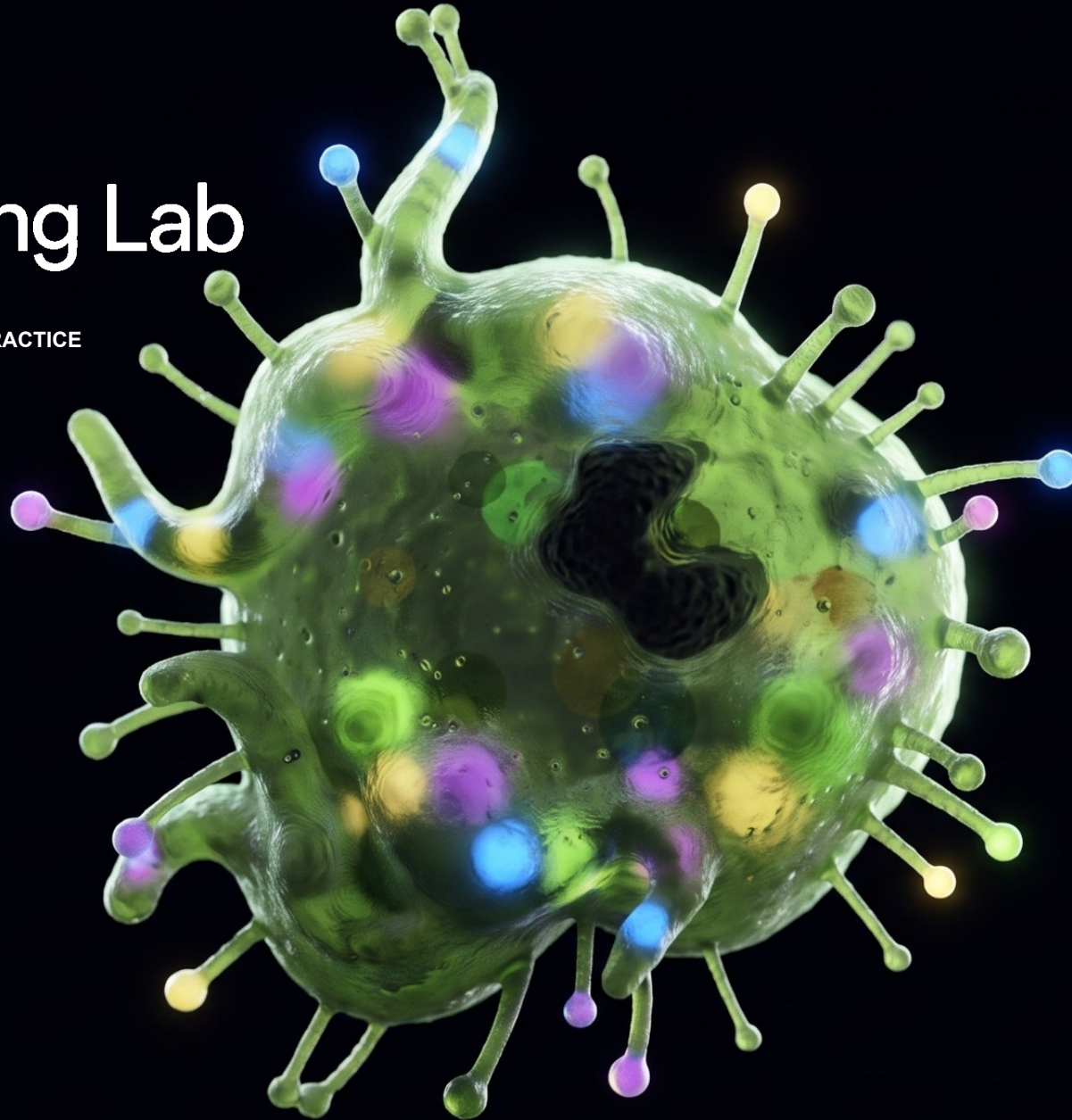




Electric Dreaming Lab

ETHICAL AI IN CREATIVE PRACTICE



THE OVERVIEW

More possibility. More time to create.

Electric Dreaming Lab helps artists explore how ethical and open source AI can support their ideas, expand their capabilities and free more time for creative work.

Led by BRiGHTBLACK's Simon Wilkinson and Myra Appannah, the lab brings practical experimentation together with critical discussion. Participants explore tools and approaches in relation to their own work, values and ambitions.

CREATED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

Cambridge University's Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence at Jesus College, and Liverpool John Moores University.



Electric Dreaming Lab Cohort 1 / Cambridge University 2024



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Experiment. Question. Build.



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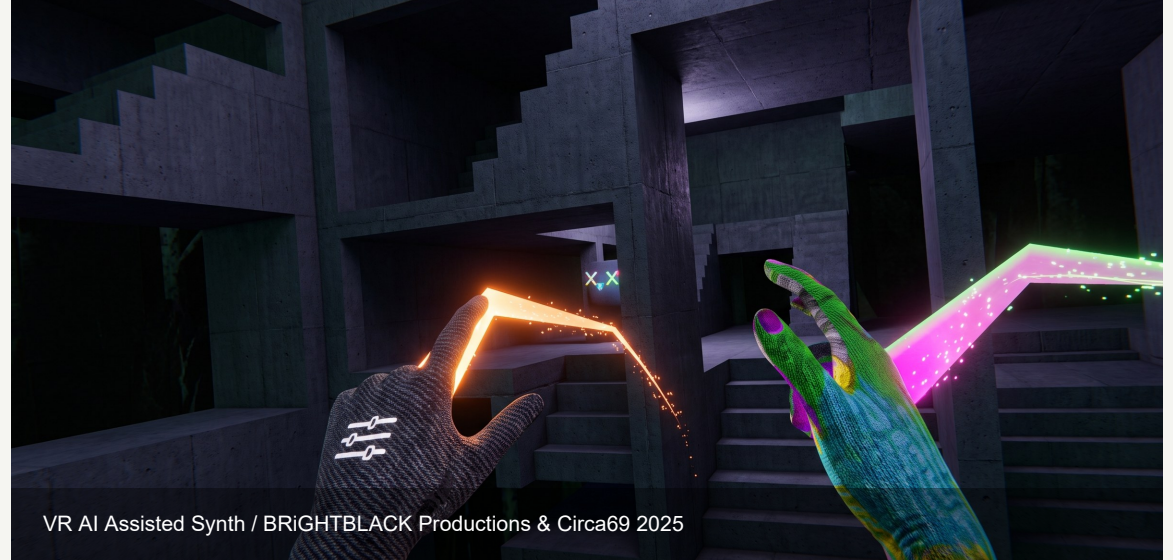
Creative possibilities

Explore AI for image, sound, moving image, interactive worlds and bespoke tools. Develop experiments around your own ideas.

02

Ethics & agency

Consider authorship, consent, bias and control. Make informed choices about open source tools and the material you use.



03

Protecting practice

Explore ways to ease research, administration and planning, freeing attention for making and meaningful creative decisions.

04

Access & community

Build approaches around different access needs and working styles. Support relationships with audiences, collaborators and peers.

BUILT AROUND YOUR NEEDS

Two to five days.

From a focused introduction to a deeper period of experimentation, each lab is shaped around the host and participants.

2 DAYS

Explore principles, tools and first experiments.

3–4 DAYS

Develop ideas through supported practical work.

5 DAYS

Extend prototypes, test approaches and reflect.

WORKING TOWARDS NET ZERO

Explore how AI can help plan lower-impact travel, reduce duplicated work and avoid unnecessary production. Consider those savings alongside the energy and resources used by the tools themselves.

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