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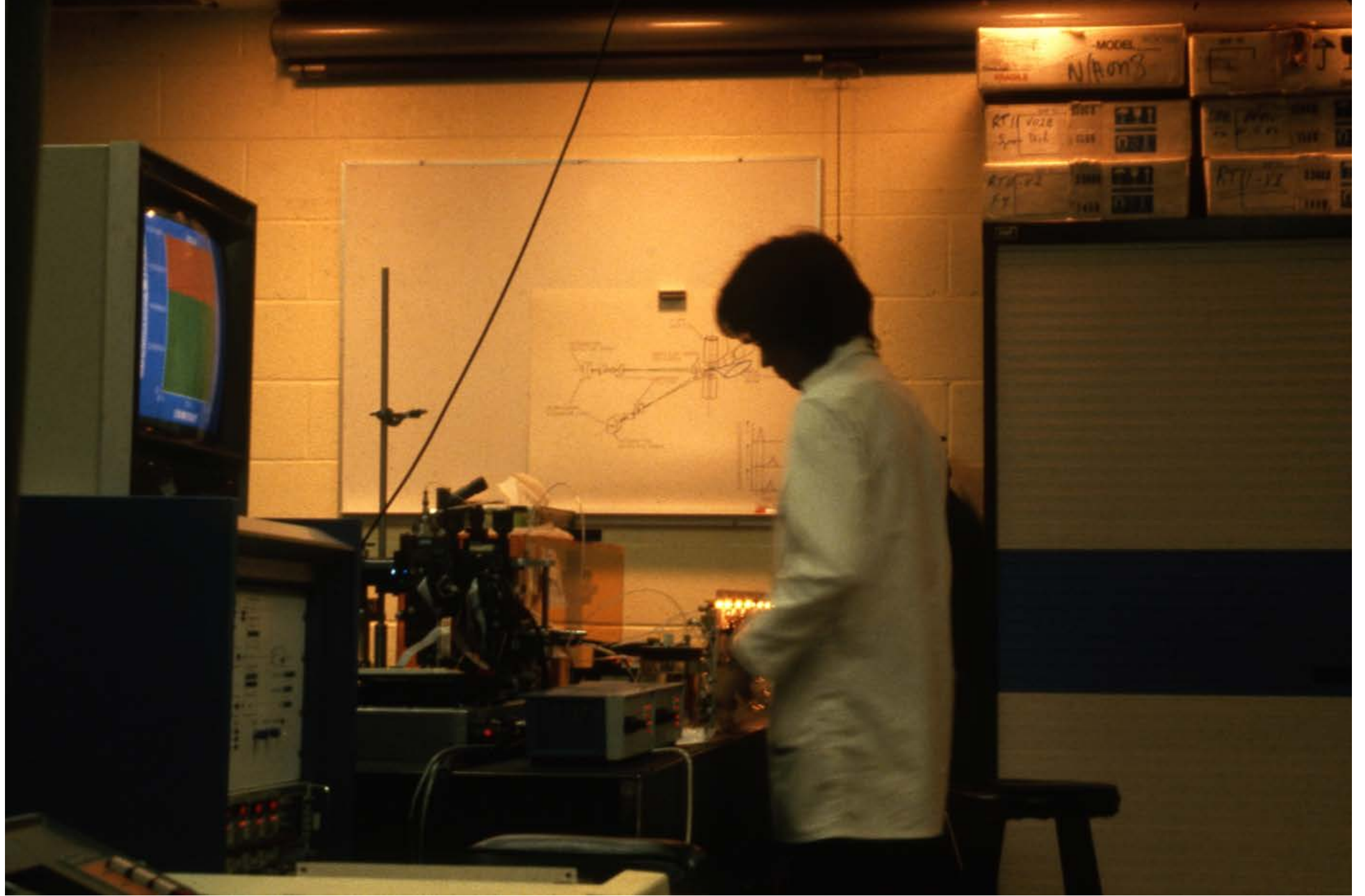
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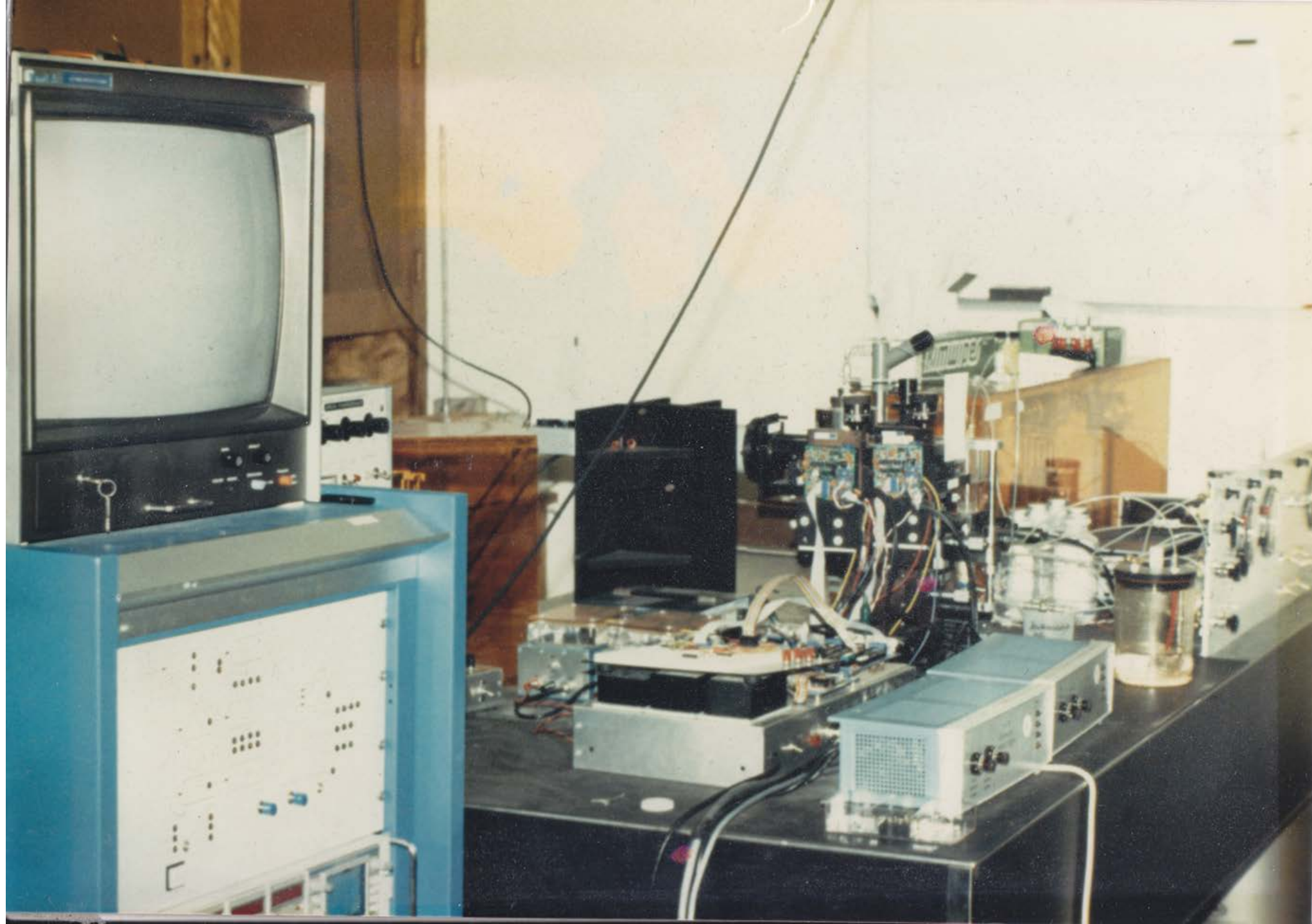
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Setting the Stage--early '90's

- ISAC International Congress (now CYTO) was already a well established international scientific meeting, but regional meetings in USA were just being established (GLIFCA 1992, NY/NJ 1994)
- 1990--Small brown-bag lunch meetings were happening between staff of DFCI Core (Peter Lopez), MIT Core (Stuart Conner, Glenn Paradis), Tufts (Jean Herrman) to network and “compare notes” among local cytometrists
- Very little Internet connectivity, people didn't really use personal computers in the workplace, only a handful of cytometry-related websites. Purdue email listserve in 1989, archived emails 1992





Decided to get a regional meeting organized—Boston User Group

- First meeting organized by Peter Lopez along the lines of topics discussed at the original brown bag lunch group
- Invite sent to local customers of BD and BC, and advertised on Purdue
- On-site help with registration from DFCI core staff
- No vendor exhibit area for the first meeting
- Organizational meeting was held at the end of the first BUG meeting to form a steering committee

Interest in broadening the audience of the tri-institute lunch meetings

- Wanted to include other academic labs in the area
- Biotech presence was growing– Biogen, Genzyme, Genetics Institute

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Hello all,

I've been talking with lots of cytometry people in the Boston area and people have expressed interest in seeing a Boston regional users group started. I figure this is as good a time as any to start the process , so I'm sending this out with some initial ideas as to the format of such a group. This is mainly for the New Englanders out there, others may provide input if interested, otherwise I'm sorry to clutter your mailbox.

The format I've been kicking around is one where we get together 4-6 times a year somewhere in Boston or suburbs, at a restaurant or function room on a weeknight evening, have dinner, and then a talk, followed by discussion and cocktails (of course!).

Initially I need to set up a mailing list of users in the area. Also, folks in NH or western Mass. could be included, if you don't think its to far to travel.

Could people in the New England area get back to me with any comments, if you want in on this, and could you pass this message along to people not on Internet- I'd appreciate it! I do have a mailing list of users in the area, but I'd like to see how many folks I can contact on email first, since I'll have to buy all the stamps for the first mailing.

Please reply directly to me , so we don't clutter the forum, unless your reply might be useful for other user groups. Oh, for those not on Internet, if you could drop me a line, or just call me to say-"I'm

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Hello Boston area cytometry folk,

Sorry for the use of bandwidth here, but I just wanted to notify any people in the greater Boston area that the first mailing for the Boston User Group for Cytometry has gone out. If we have missed you in our mailing (sorry!) and you have an interest, please email us at BUG at sorter.dfci.harvard.edu or call (617) 632-3179 and I will get you on our list stat. We hope to try to get our first meeting together before the year is out. We will try to encompass all manner of cytometric work (clinical, research, image, developmental....) in our group .

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Hello all,

We have our first user group meeting planned and wanted to let everyone know about it.

We are happy to announce the first meeting of the Boston User Group for Cytometry, to be held on Tuesday, January 24, 1995 at the Longwood Galleria Conference Center in Boston.

A full day meeting is planned starting with coffee and registration at 8:00 AM and the first presentation at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served.

Following the last presentation of the day, we plan an informal discussion of future plans and formats for upcoming Boston User Group for Cytometry events. The meeting will end at 5:00 PM.

We hope you can join us and help make this a great start for our new group.

The following speakers and presentations are planned:

Howard Shapiro, MD
Howard Shapiro, MD, FC

"Flow Cytometry: What a long, strange drip
it's been"

BUG– First meeting

January 24, 1995

Longwood Galleria Conference Center

- Howard Shapiro, MD, Howard Shapiro, MD, PC "Flow Cytometry: What a long, strange drip it's been"
- Keith Kelley, Miles Research Center "An introduction to digital image analysis"
- Peter Lopez, Dana Farber Cancer Institute "Networks, the Internet and their utilization in cytometry"
- Eric Martz, PhD, UMASS Amherst "Free software for PC's: WinMDI and MFI. Decentralization of analysis"
- Elizabeth Simons, PhD, Boston University "Use of flow cytometry to evaluate blood cell function"
- Frederic Preffer, PhD, Mass General Hospital "Multicolor immunofluorescence in clinical hematology/oncology"

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What's the point of regional meetings?

- Provides a scaled-down taste of the international meetings.
- Typically one-day meetings, which makes it easier for people to attend (no overnight stay). Also, occurs regionally so minimal travel expense.
- Can focus on topics of regional interest, possibly not addressed at international meetings. Example NYSTEM, regional CyTOF.
- Local networking (resources, event calendar, mailing list, job board).
- This regional-meeting paradigm is seen in other professional organizations. ABRF regional meeting NERLSCD (North East Research Life Science Core Directors) Nov 7-9, U Mass Amherst

HAPPY 25th Anniversary

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**Here's looking forward to the
next 25 years**



...and thank you Laura