

Preparation and characterisation of Eukaryotic macromolecular complexes

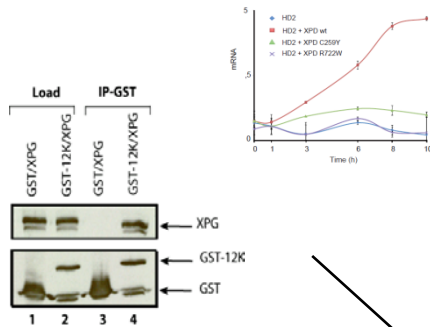
Contribution of the baculovirus expression system for reconstitution of multiprotein complexes and dissection of the protein-protein interaction network

Potential inputs from genome engineering approaches for labelling mammalian proteins to facilitate isolation of endogenous complexes and their characterization in a cellular environment

Functional
characterization

Cellular imaging

Bio computing



Domain/Orthologs
identification

Partner
identification

Cryo-EM

NMR

Targets

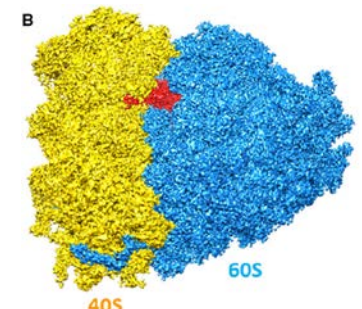
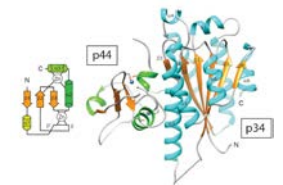
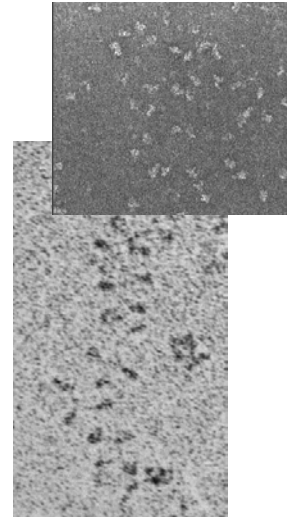
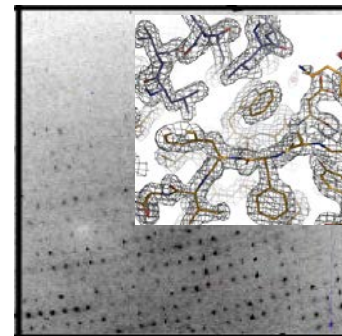
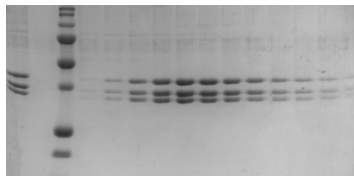
Structure

Production

X ray
crystallography

Modelling

Biophysical
characterization



Recombinant or endogenous?

Isolate sample from native source

Advantages – Protein solubility, authenticity

Disadvantages – Expense/effort, yield, abundance

Popular sources: E coli, yeast, HeLa cells
Model imposed by the biological question

Bacterial expression

Advantages – Easy, great over-expression, low protease activity, no post-translational modifications

Disadvantages – Protein solubility, lack of post-translational modifications

Eukaryotic expression

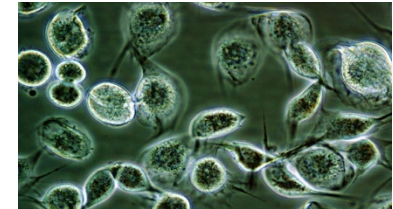
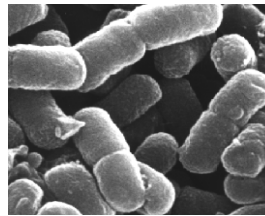
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Disadvantages – Expensive, low yield, proteases, time consuming

Recombinant expression

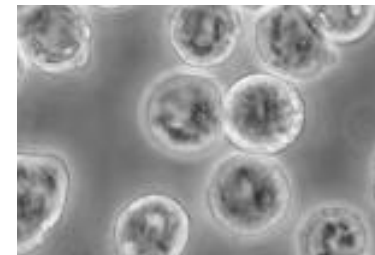
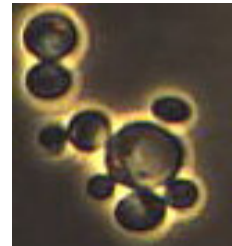
Prokaryotic

E. coli,
B. subtilis
....



Eukaryotic

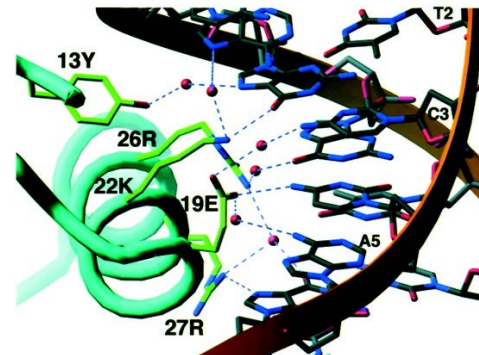
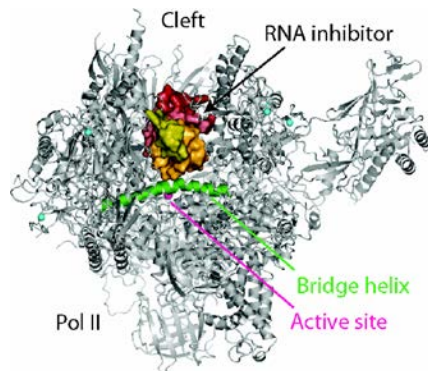
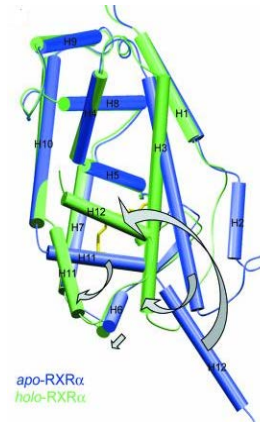
Yeast
Insect cells
Mammalian



Cell free systems:

E coli
Wheat germ,
Insect

.... but interact with partners to fulfill their function.



Types of complexes

Composition and structure

Protein-protein, protein-nucleic acid, protein-ligand

Homo- and hetero oligomeric complexes

Non obligate and obligate

Protomers/Subunits are not found as stable structures in vivo

Protomers/Subunits exist independantly

Lifetime of complexes

Permanant interactions: stable/only exist in complexed state

Transient interactions associate and dissociate in vivo

- weak: dynamic equilibrium in solution
- strong: molecular trigger to switch on and off

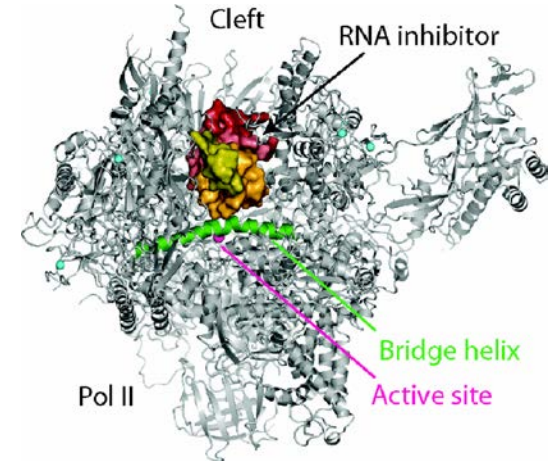
Obligate and non-obligate

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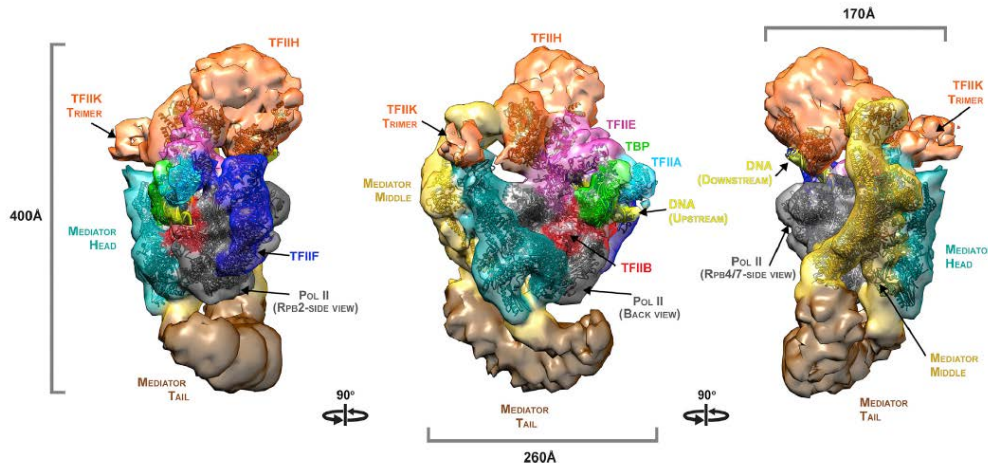
Protomers/subunits exist independantly

Regulation complexes

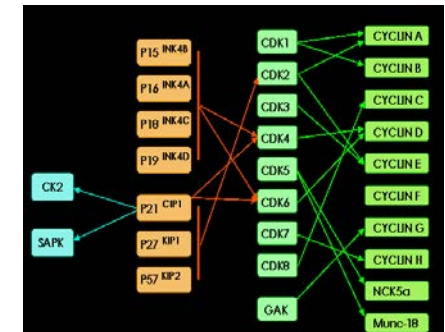
- transient interactions
- most protomers are obligate multi-protei,complexes



RNA Polymerase II



Eukaryotic pre-initiation complex



Cdk/Cyclin/Inhibitor

Transient and stable complexes

Lifetime

Permanant interactions: stable/only exist in complexed state:
operational definition: that can be purified

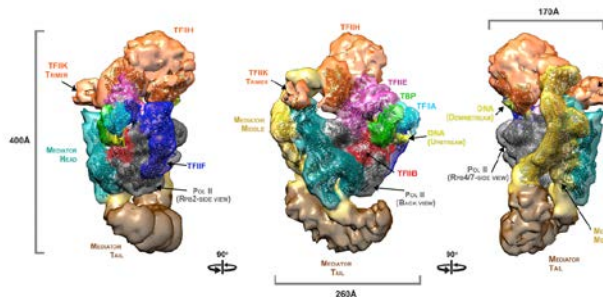
Transient interactions associate and dissociate in vivo

- weak: dynamic equilibrium in solution
- strong: molecular trigger to switch on and off

Weak

(Tx, DNA repair electron transport complexes)

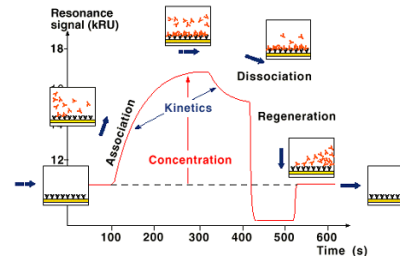
$$K_d \text{ mM}-\mu\text{M}$$



Intermediate

(antibody-antigen, TCR-MHC-peptide, signal transduction PPI), K_d
 μM - nM

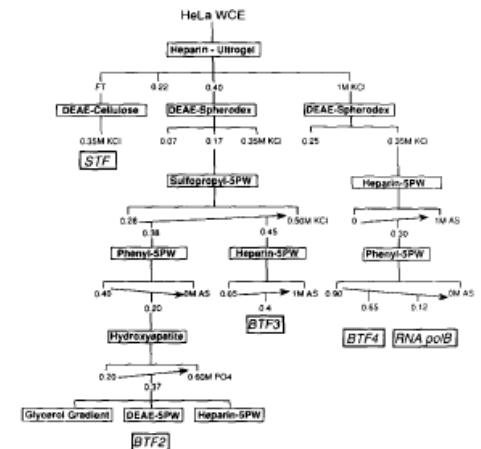
μM - nM



Strong

(require a molecular trigger to shift the oligomeric equilibrium)

K_d nM-fM



Implications for production

Non-obligatory / Obligatory

Transient / Stable

Yes



No



Produce components
independently and reconstitute
the complex *in vitro*

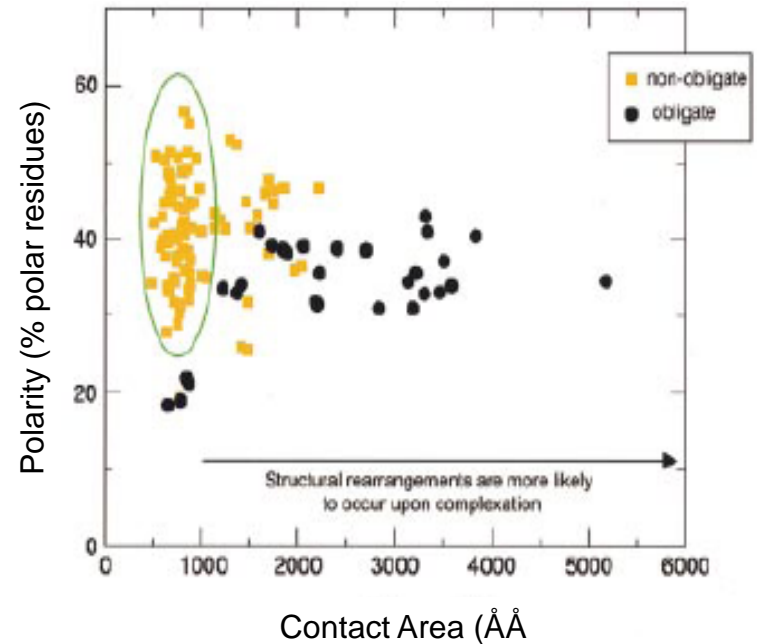
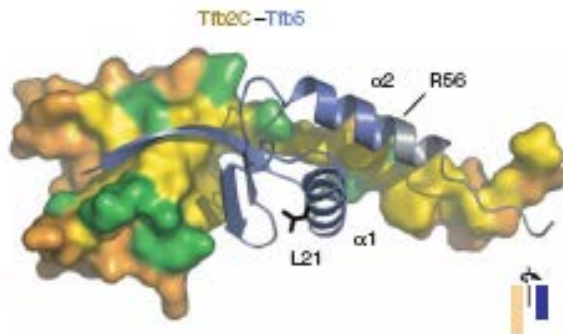
Single gene expression

Produce components of the
complex simultaneously which are
assembled *in vivo*

Co-expression

Strategies for production of multi-protein complexes

Separate expression of subunits
purify and mix; mix and purify



No always possible. The interfaces in **obligate complexes** being generally large and hydrophobic.

Contact area and polarity of various **non obligate** and **obligate** complexes. The vertical ellipse denotes the area-polarity space of weak transient interactions

Noreen & Thornton, 2000

Strategies for production of multi-protein complexes

Separate expression of subunits
purify and mix; mix and purify

Bacteria (E. coli)

Co-transformation with several
single promoter plasmids

Transformation with multigene
expression plasmid

Viral system (baculovirus, vaccinia)

Co-infection of insect cells by
several viruses

Infection with a multigene
expression virus

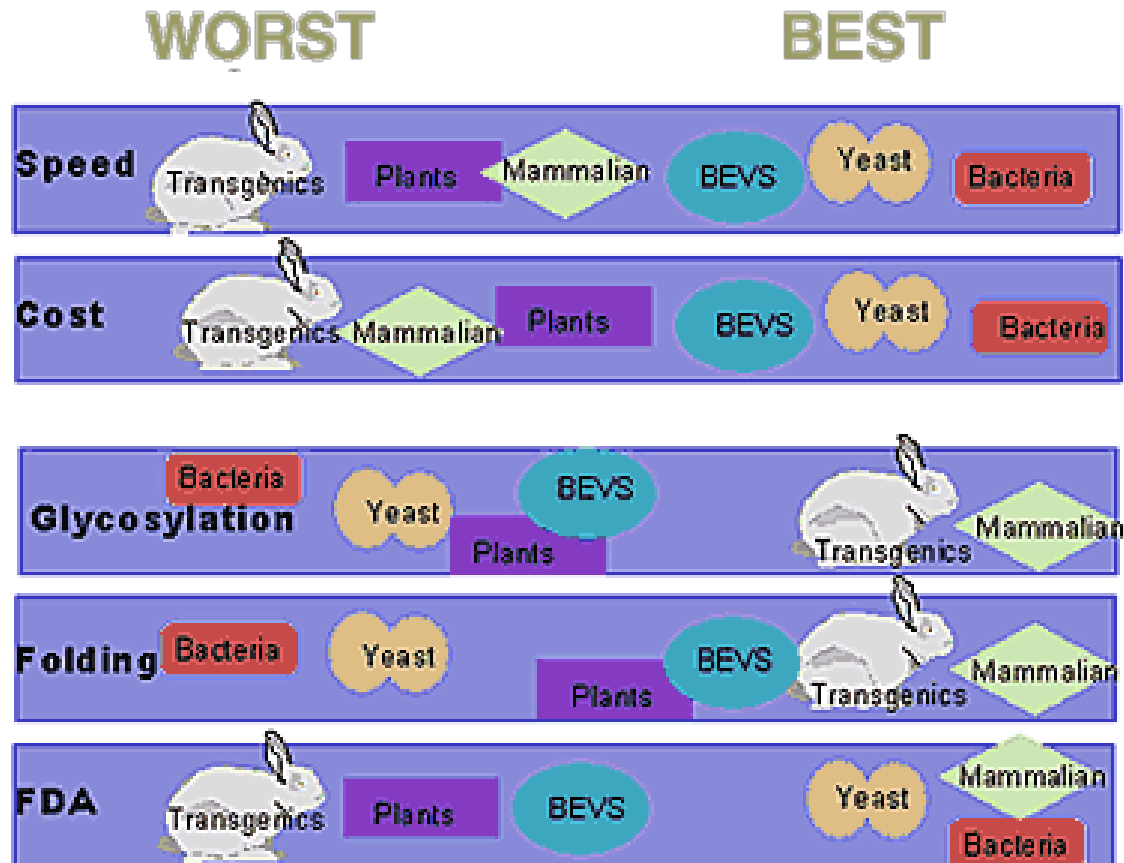
Which expression system?

Baculovirus Expression Vector System

Suitable for co-expression

High levels of heterologous gene expression

BEVS



What are baculoviruses ?

Baculoviruses form a group of viruses that infect specifically insects *

They are rod-shaped (latin baculum = stick), 40-50 nm in diameter and 200-400 nm in length

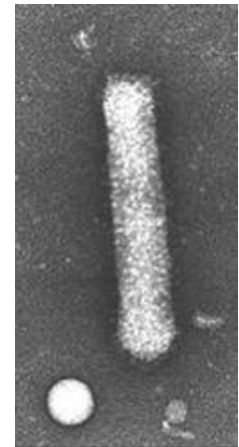
Double stranded , covalently closed and circular DNA (80 – 200 kbp)



Spodoptera frugiperda



Trichoplusia ni



Autographa californica Multiple Nuclear Polyhedrosis Virus (AcMNPV)

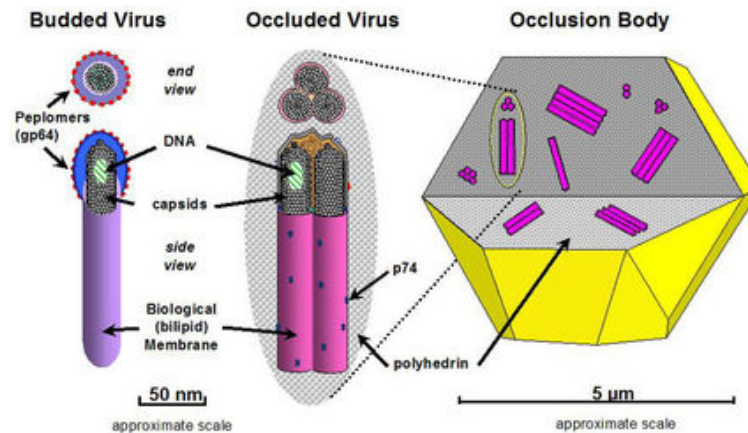
alfalfa looper = cabbage looper

AcMNPV infects 30+ insects

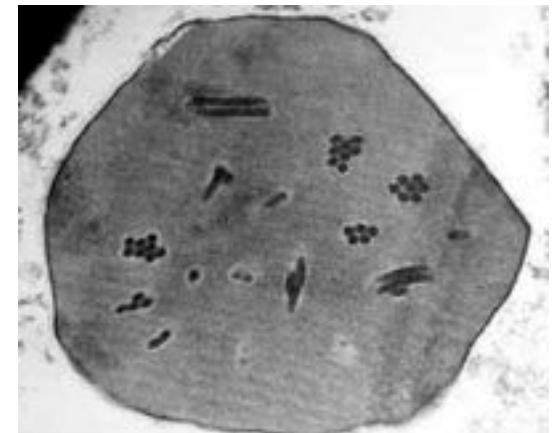
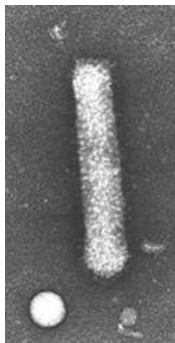
In cell culture or when multiplying within an insect host, baculoviruses form so called virions, also referred to as non-occluded or budded virus (BV)

For long-term survival (protection) virions are part of occlusion bodies (OB) or polyhedra. Para-crystallin matrix, composed of polyhedrin (50% of the total protein mass)

Baculovirus
Multicapsid nucleopolyhedrovirus

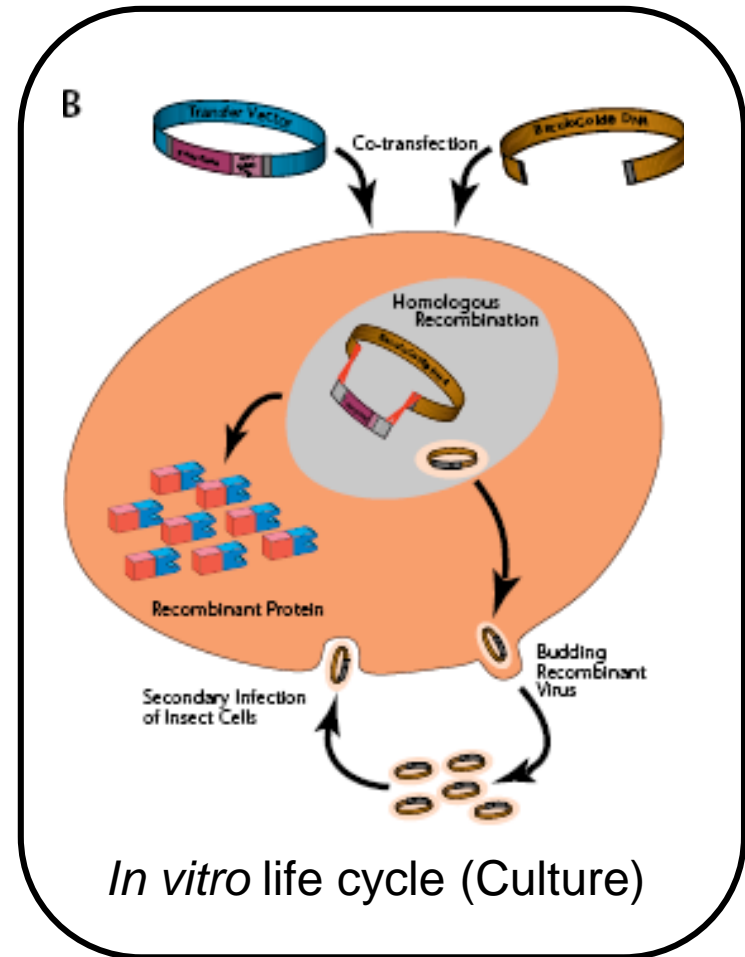
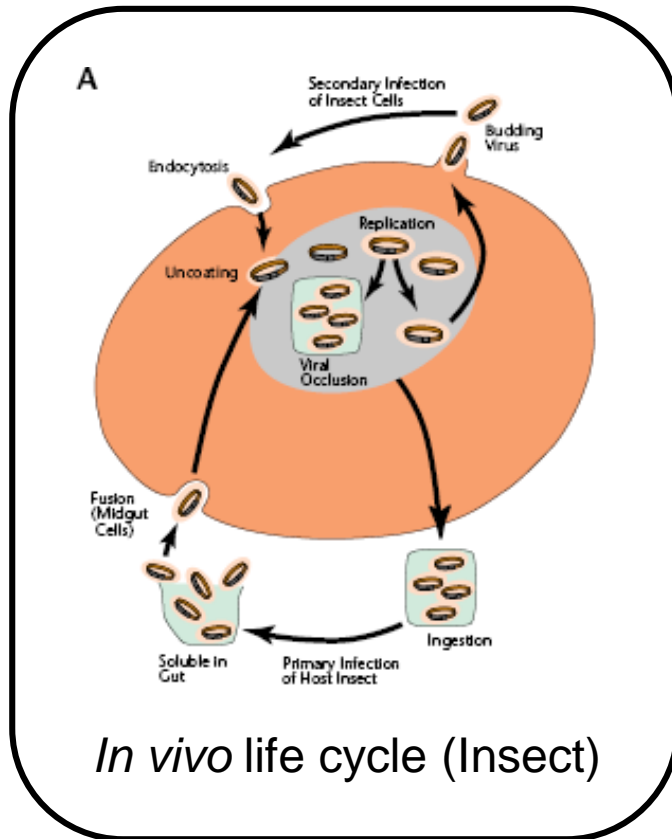


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Strong promoters (Polyhedrin, p10)
Express lots of protein 36-48 h post-infection

Viral Occlusion (Polyhedron “package”) not required for virus replication in vitro (cellular system)



Replace polyhedrin coding seq. with GOI

What is needed to express a protein ?

The expression unit

- Strong promoter: PH or p10
- Kozak sequence:
- Gene of interest
- Terminator

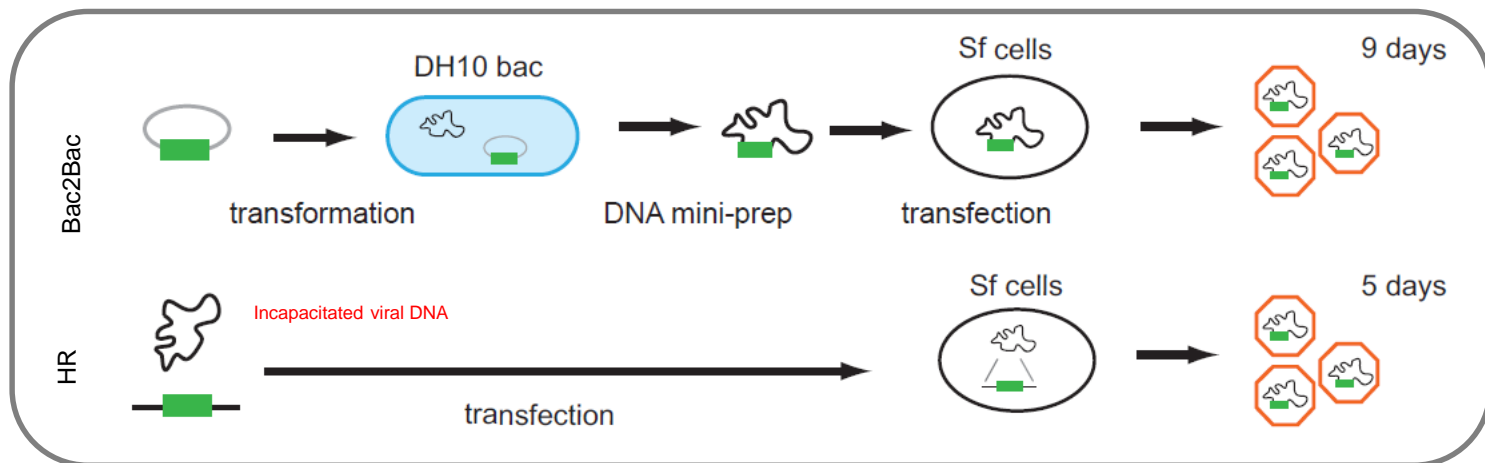
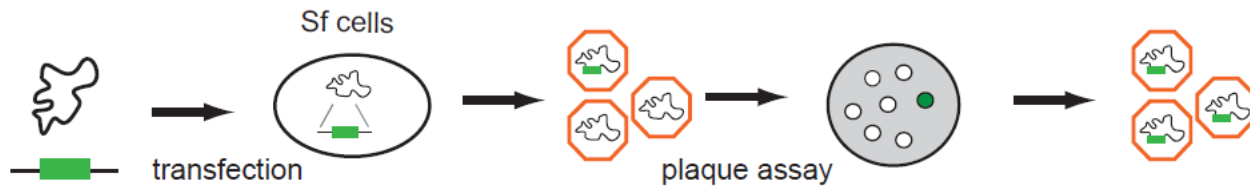


On both sides, elements that will allow the integration of the expression unit(s) into the viral genome:

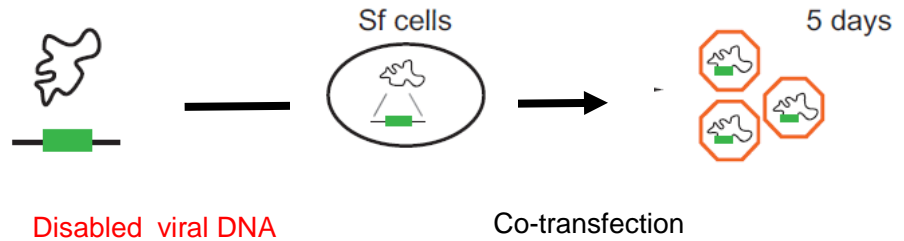
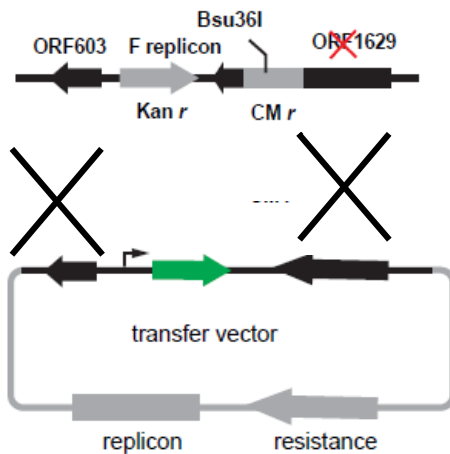
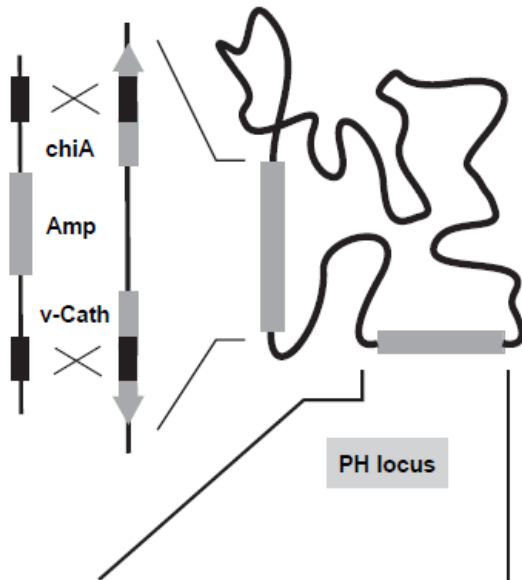
- Either segment from viral genome for homologous recombination in insect cells between the transfert vector and the viral DNA
- Or transposons (Tn7L and Tn7R) recombination sites (LoxP) when a bacmid is to be used

An expression flowchart for BV expression

Clone into transfer vector ► Recombinant baculovirus generation ► Small scale expression test ► Optimization and large scale expression



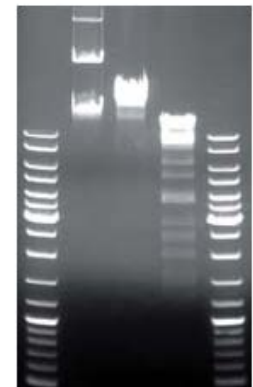
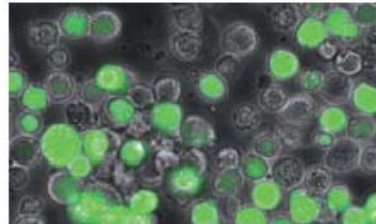
Homologous recombination in insect cells with disabled viral genome



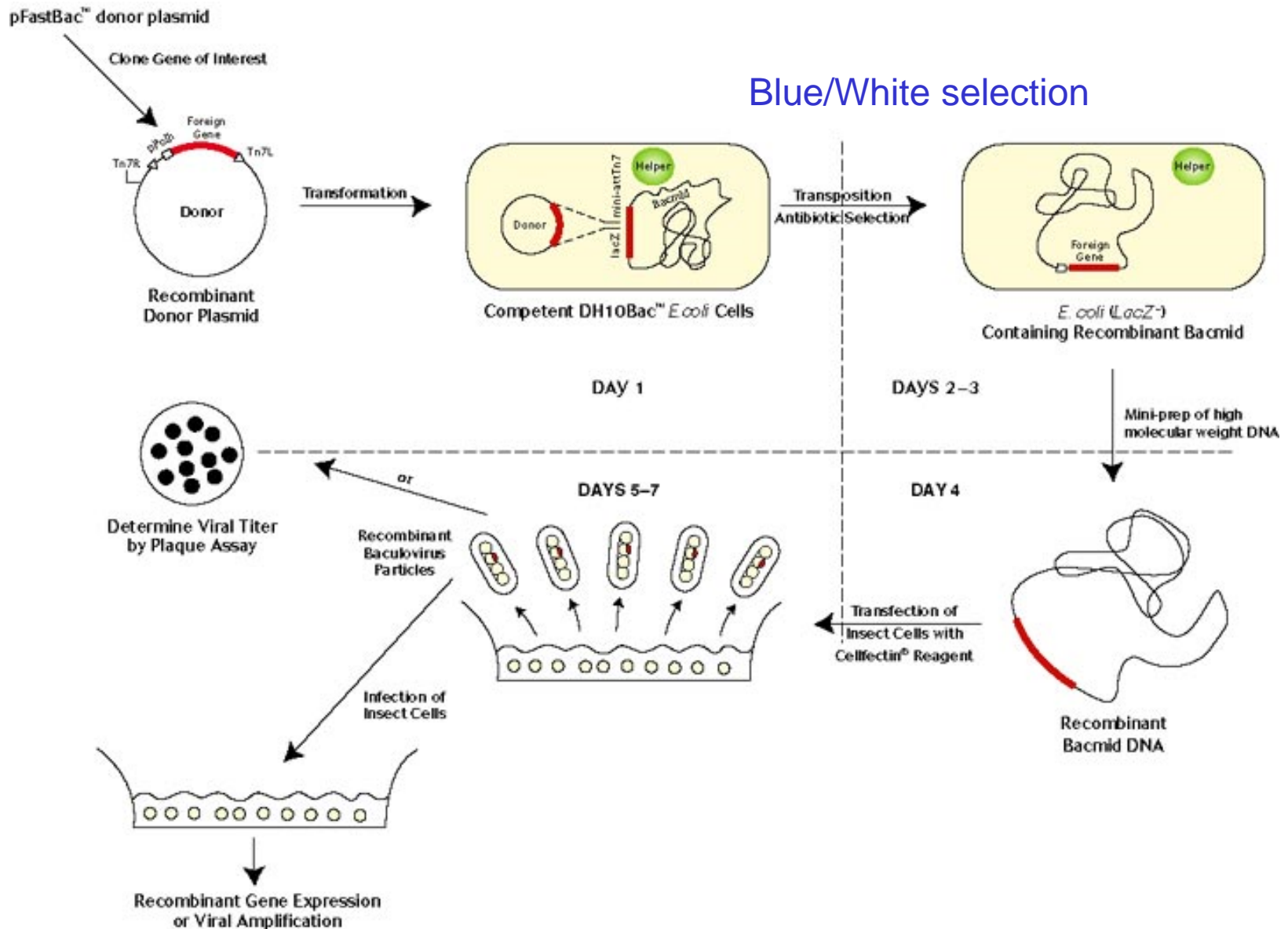
Viable genome can only be formed if the truncation is bridged and repaired by recombination with a suitable transfer vector.

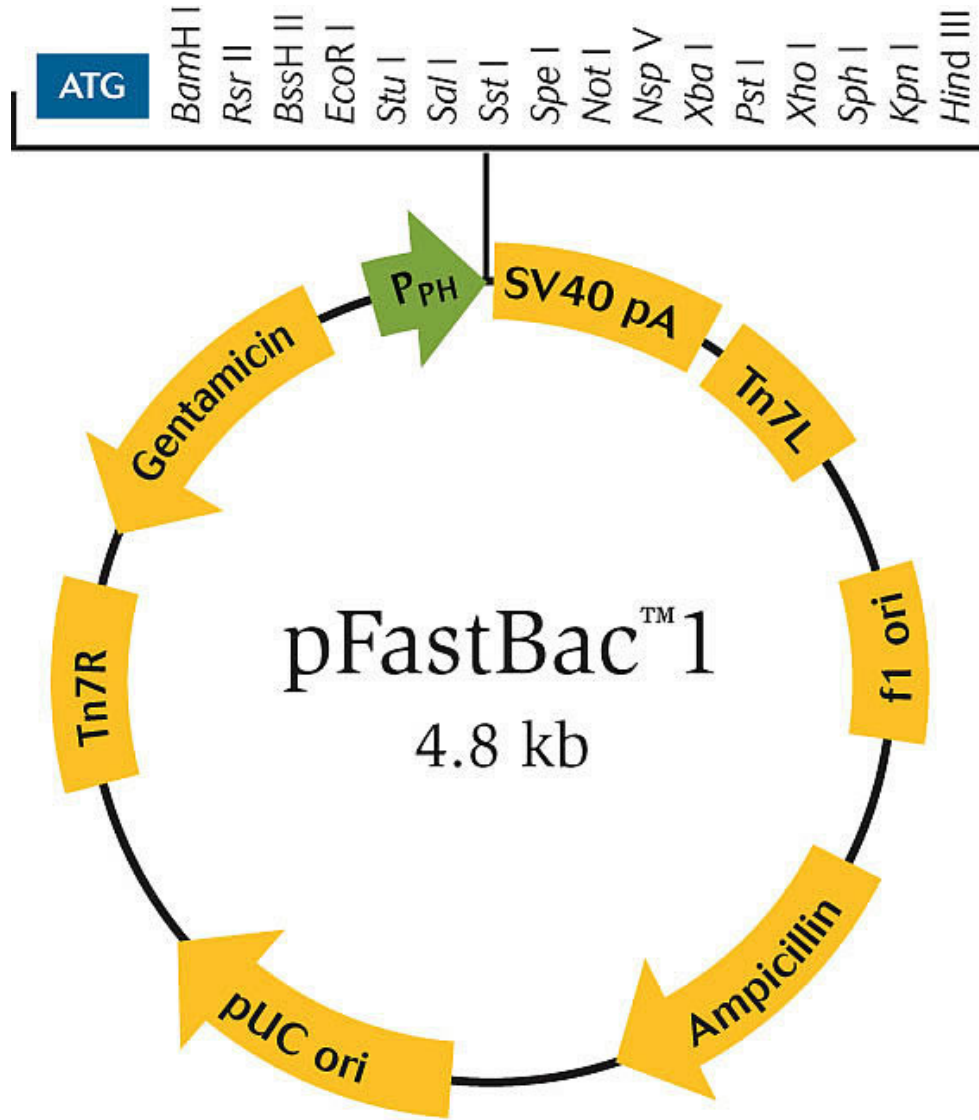
Recombination inserts the foreign gene (GFP) into the viral DNA, restores the deleted gene, allowing virus replication.

No need for plaque selection (screening) for medium size inserts



Transposition in E. Coli



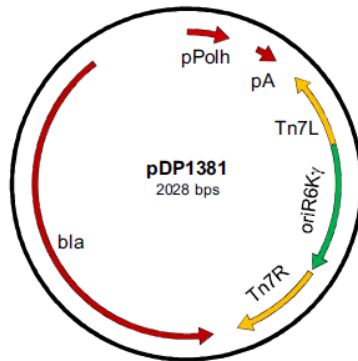
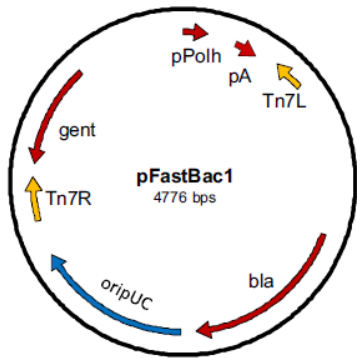


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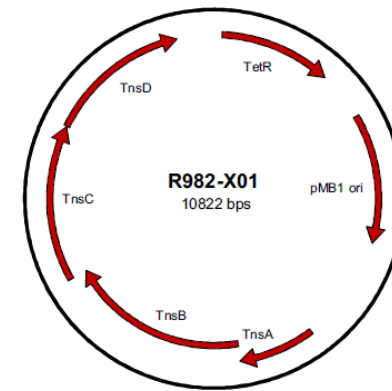
1/ Low transposition efficiency: transposition into the E. coli genome and sub-optimal transposition system

2/ Bacmid preparation contaminated with transfer vector DNA

Bac to the Future

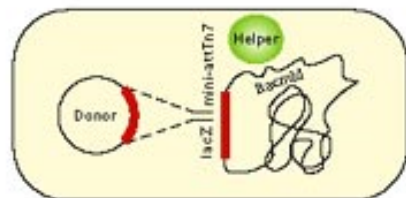


New baculovirus expression vectors: single antibiotic, conditional replication origin (oriR6Kγ)



New helper plasmid Tn7 transposase delivery vector

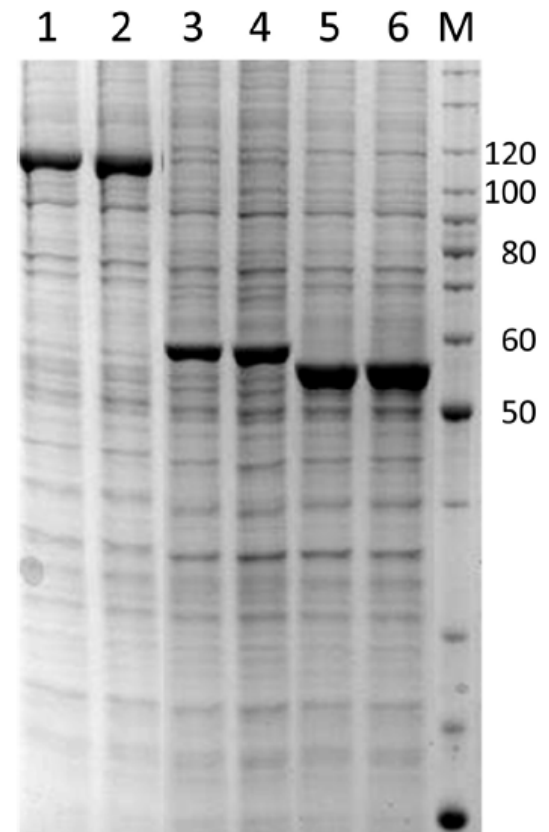
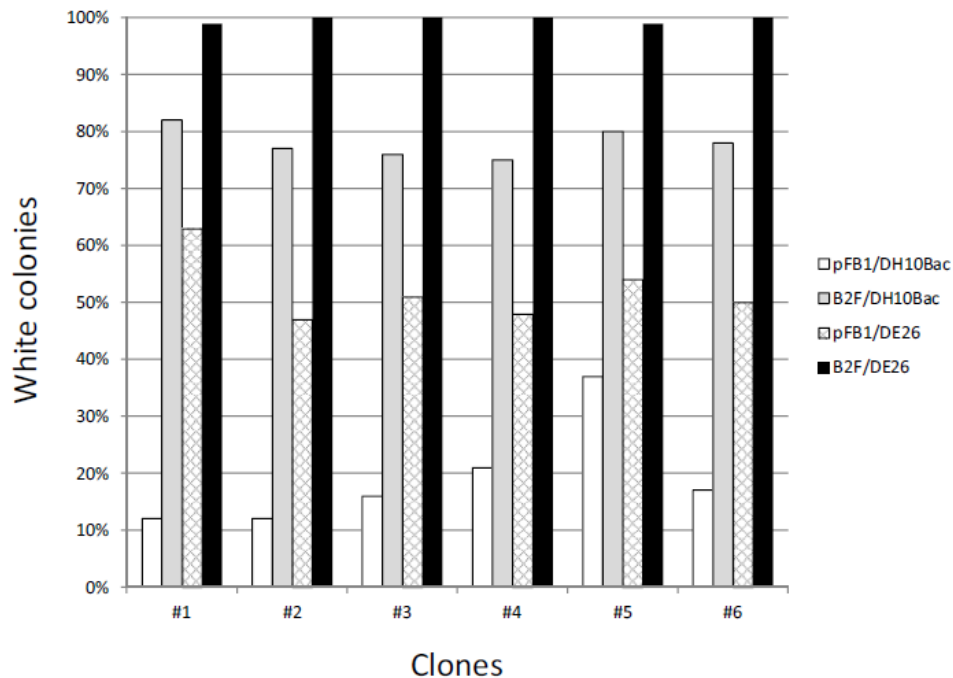
New E coli strain (chromosomal Tn7 site inactivated) that replaces the DH10 Bac: DE26

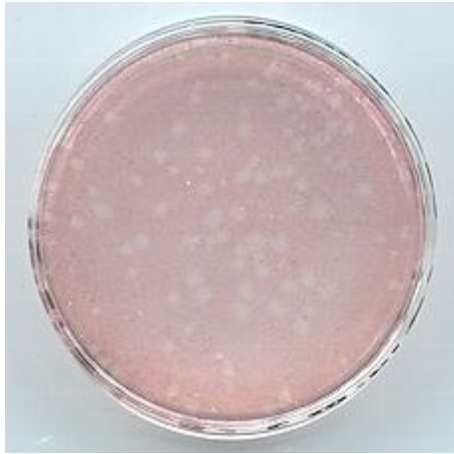


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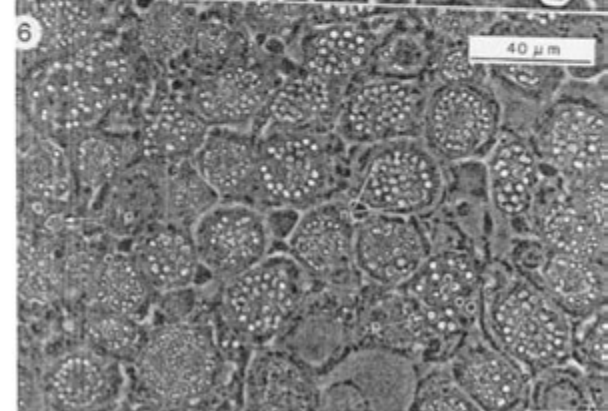
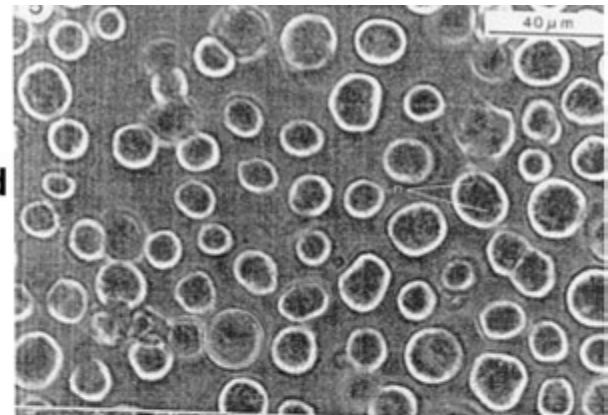
B2F transfer plasmid (no transfer plasmid replication, pir-)

B2F transfer plasmid + new strain (no transfer plasmid replication and no transposition into the E. coli backbone)

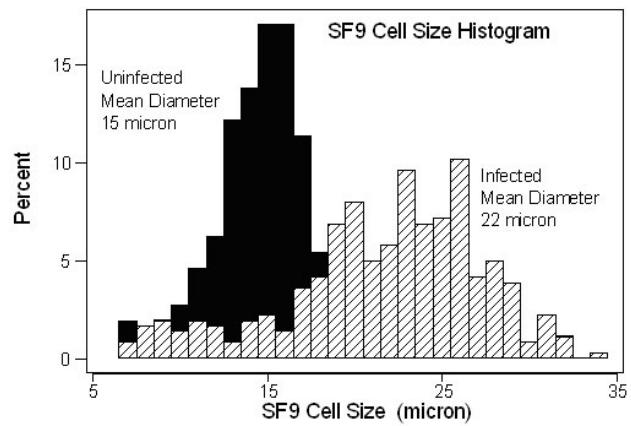




Sf9 non-infected



Sf9 infected



In practice: culture conditions

For infections cells in exponential growth phase are required.

infect cells a 0.5 to 2.0 10^6 cell/ml

T = 27 °C, phosphate based buffer (no CO₂)

monolayers or suspension (Deep Well, Spinner, Bottles..)

Optimization of culture conditions

- harvest time post-infection: 48, 72 hrs

- multiplicities of infection: 0.1, 1, 5, 10

Very important for co-infections experiments

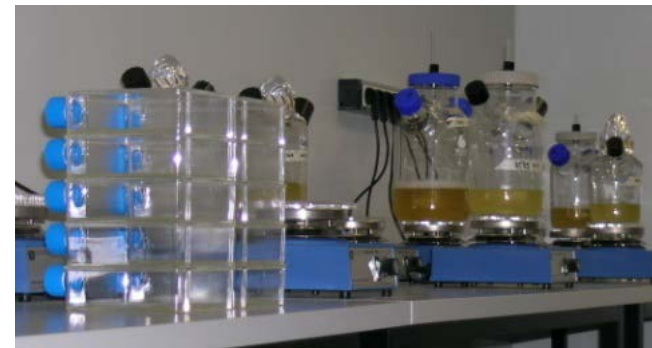
- cell line/media of choice:

Sf9, Sf21, H5

with or without serum



Scale: from 3 ml to several L



Flowchart for Baculovirus Expression

Clone the gene(s) of interest into a bacterial transfer vector

Generate the recombinant virus
Transfection/Co-transfection
Small scale expression assay

Prepare a high titer virus stock $<10^8$ pfu/ml

Optimization of the expression conditions and large scale production

Preparation and characterisation of Eukaryotic macromolecular complexes

1/ What is a macromolecular complex?

2/ Recombinant production

- The baculovirus expression system
- Purification strategies: tandem affinity
- Co-expression in insect cells

3/ Purification from endogenous sources

Tandem affinity purification

A single affinity step is usually not sufficient.

Sequential affinity steps that will select for the presence of two subunits

Apply the cell lysate to the first affinity resin

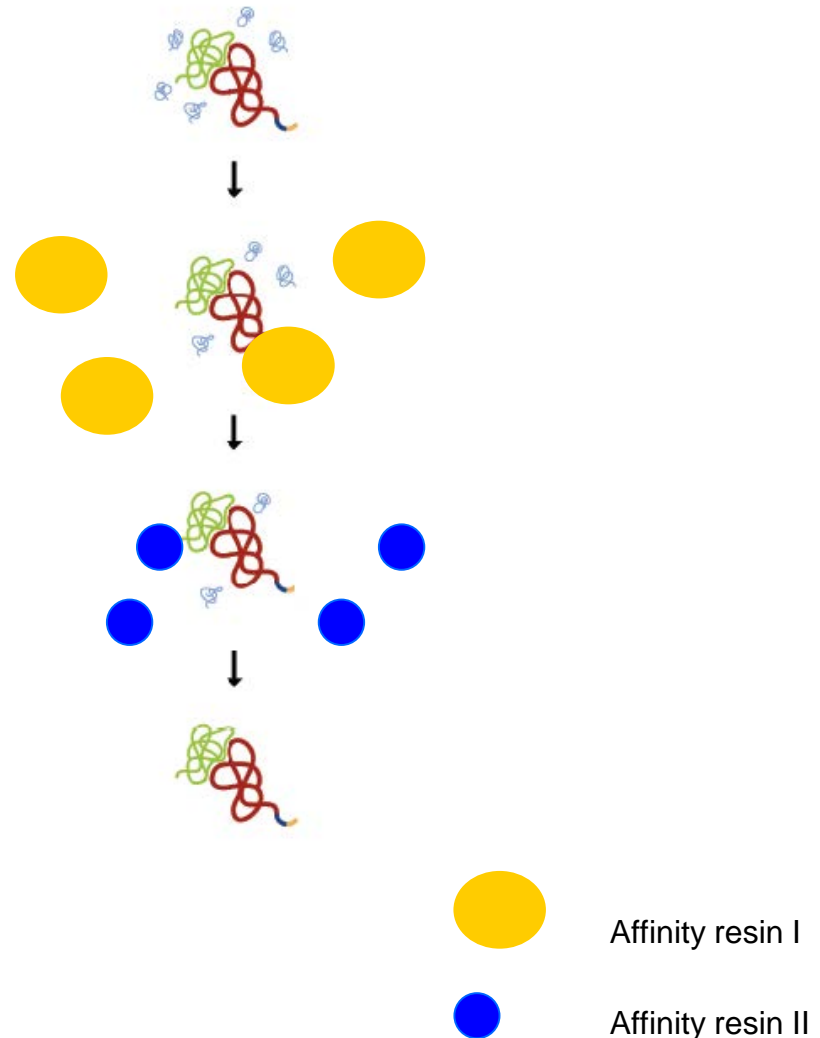
Wash unbound proteins and contaminants

Elute tagged protein I and interacting partner with elution buffer I

Apply the cell lysate to the second affinity resin

Wash unbound proteins and contaminants

Elute tagged protein II and interacting partner with elution buffer II



Purification flowchart

Cell lysis: cell wall/plasma membrane,

1. Physical means
- 1'. Sonication
- 1''. Osmotic shock

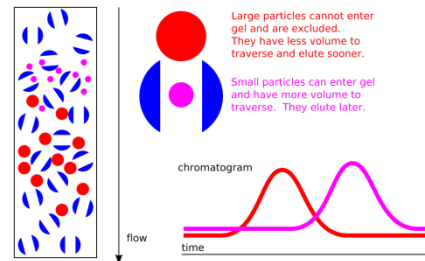
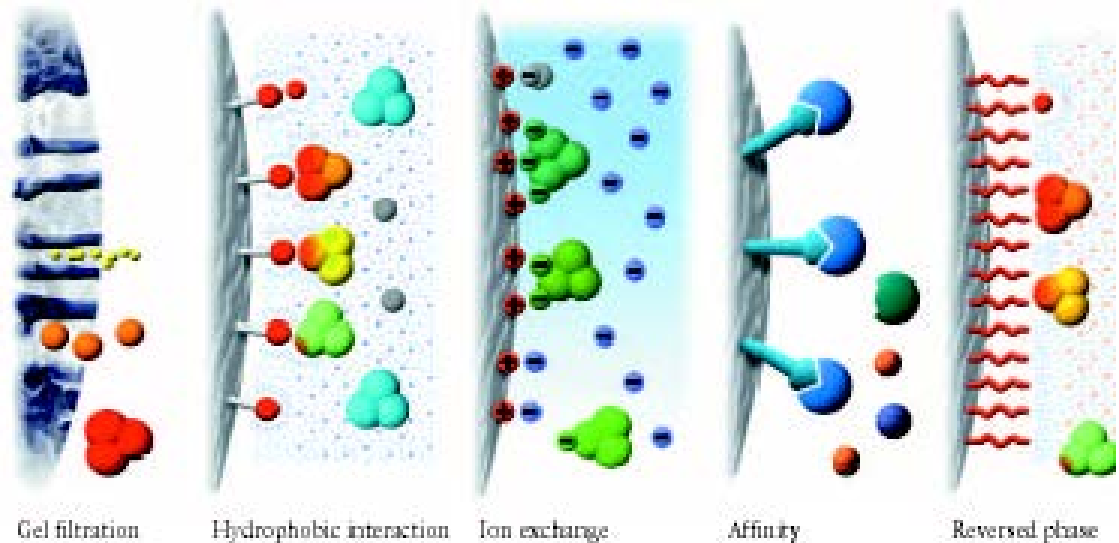
Centrifugation

Chromatographies

1. Affinity/ Specific binding
2. (Ion exchange)
3. Size exclusion

Concentration

Most widely used tags: His, GST, strep, FLAG



His-tag

Immobilized Metal Chelate Affinity resin

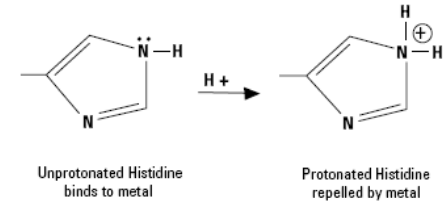
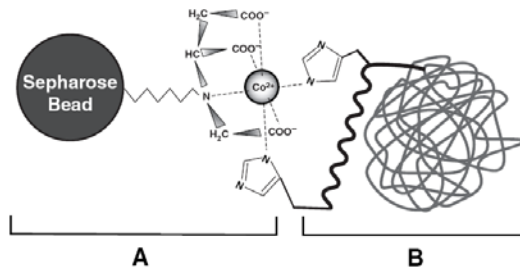
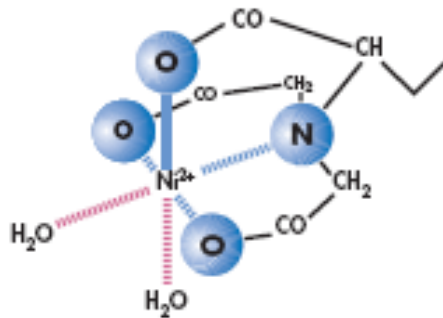
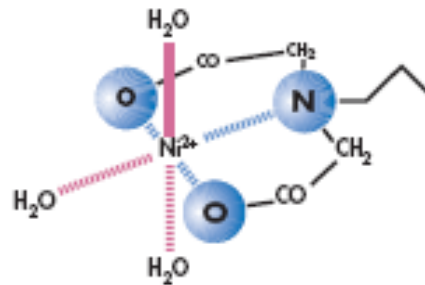


Table I: Histidine Tags

Tag	Amino acids
6xHis	His – His – His – His – His – His
6xHN	His – Asn – His – Asn – His – Asn – His – Asn – His – Asn – His – Asn
HAT	Lys – Asp – His – Leu – Ile – His – Asn – Val – His – Lys – Glu – His – Ala – His – Ala – His – Asn – Lys



Ni-NTA



Ni-IDA

10xHis

Ni, Co, Fe

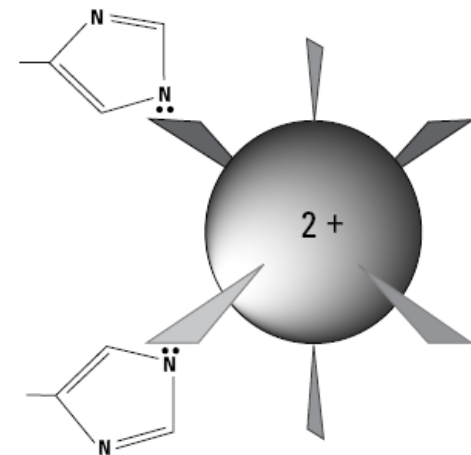
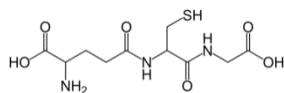


Figure 3. Binding of histidines to the TALON® Resin metal ion. Under conditions of physiological pH, histidine binds by sharing imidazole nitrogen electron density with the electron-deficient orbitals of the metal ion.



GST-affinity

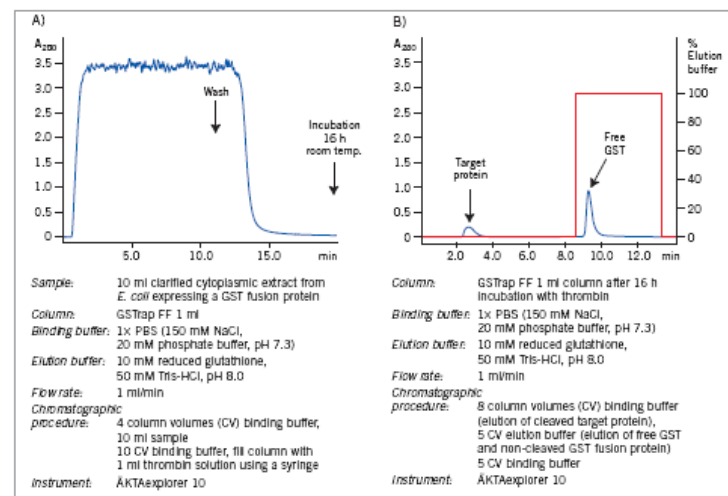
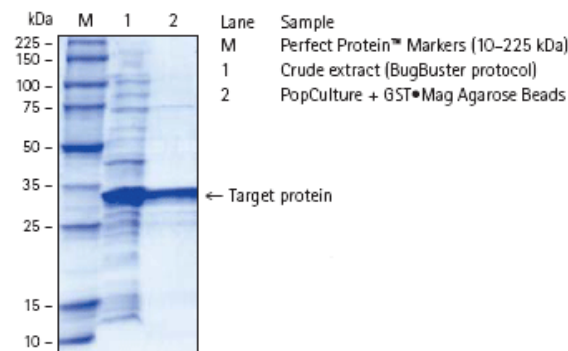
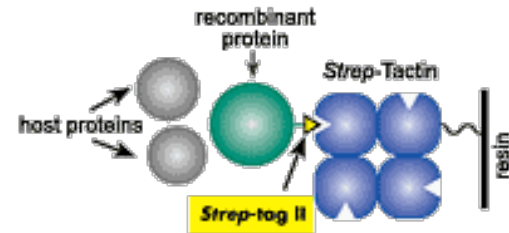
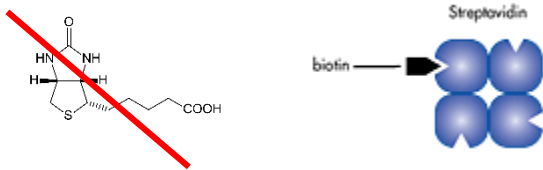


Fig 26. On-column thrombin cleavage of a GST fusion protein. A) Equilibration, sample application, and washing of a GST fusion protein on GStrap FF 1 ml were performed using AKTAexplorer 10. After washing, the column was filled by syringe with 1 ml of thrombin (20 U/ml 1× PBS) and incubated for 16 h at room temperature. B) GST-free target protein was eluted using 1× PBS. GST was eluted using 10 mM reduced glutathione. The GST-free target protein fraction also contained a small amount of thrombin (not detectable by SDS-PAGE; see Fig 27, lane 6). The thrombin can be removed using a HiTrap Benzamide FF (high sub) column.

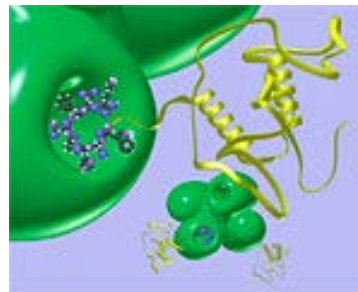
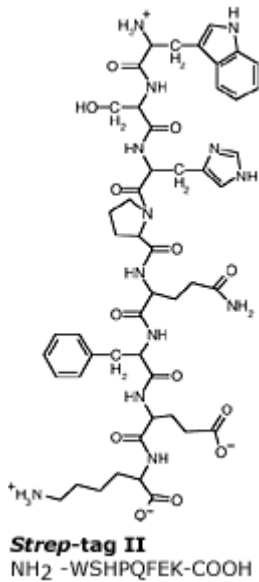
Source: See Figure 27.

Strep tag-II

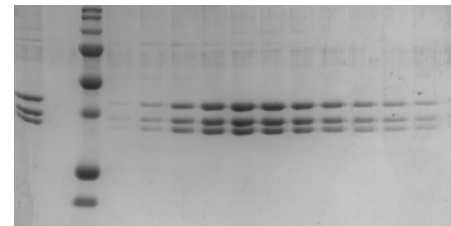
Derived from streptavidin-Biotin



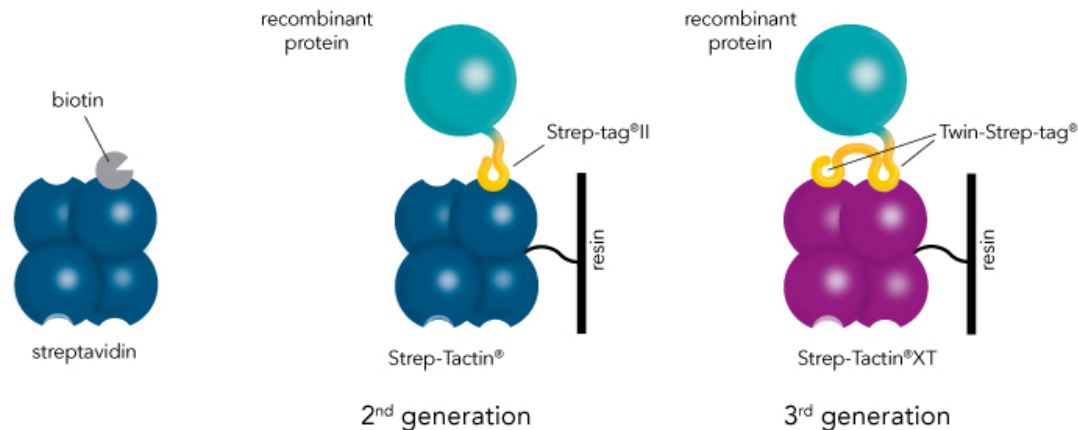
Elution with biotin analog: desthiobiotin or more recently Biotin (StrepTactin@XT)



Strep-tag protein is binding to a **Strep-Tactin** tetramer.



Recombinant Protein Purification using Strep-Tactin®XT



Strep-tactin®XT can be used in combination with the following tags:

Strep-tag®II

8 amino acids

sequence: Trp-Ser-His-Pro-Gln-Phe-Glu-Lys (WSHPQFEK)

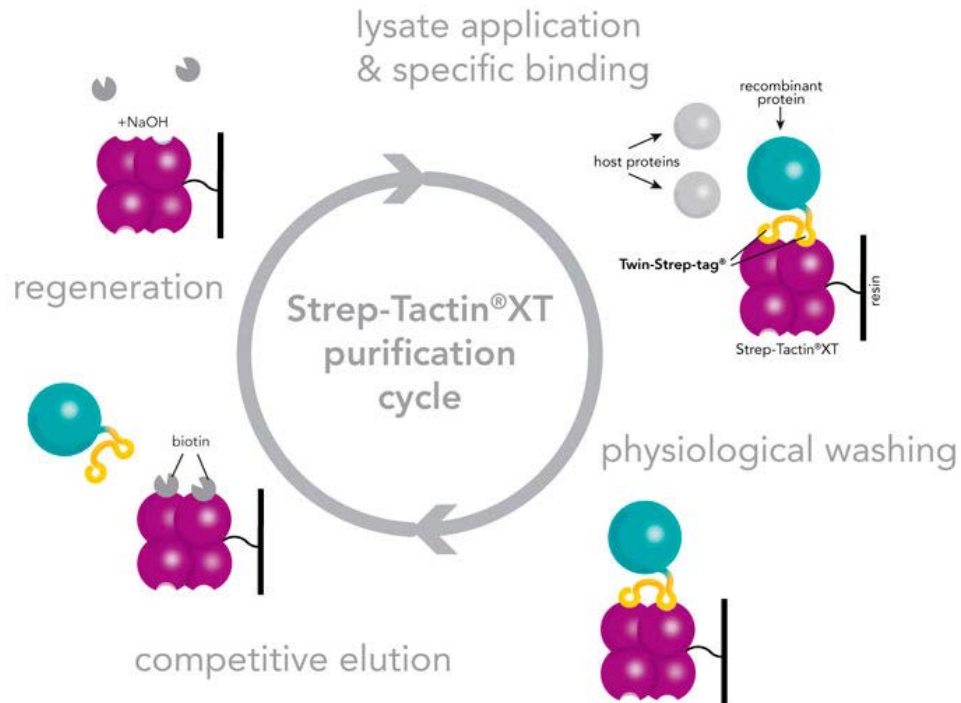
Twin-Strep-tag® (in the low pM range)

28 amino acids (WSHPQFEK-GGGSGGGSGG-SA-WSHPQFEK)

Two Strep-tag®II motifs in series

Higher affinity than Strep-tag®II

Strep-Tactin®XT purification cycle



Elution with 50 mM Biotin

CBP affinity

Calmodulin Binding Peptide interacts with Calmodulin coupled to an agarose resin

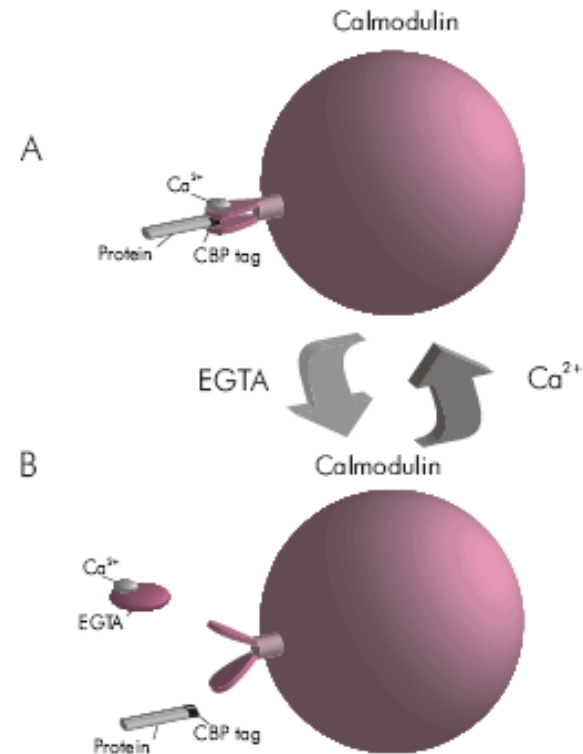
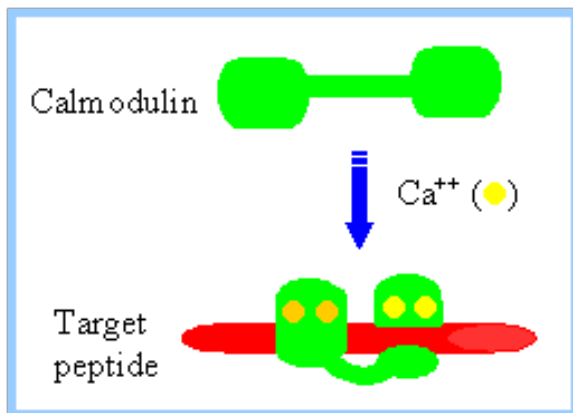
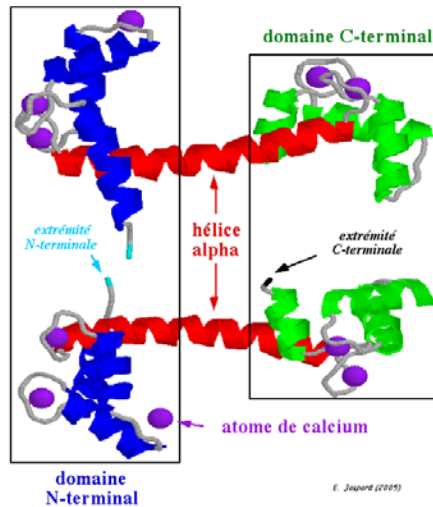
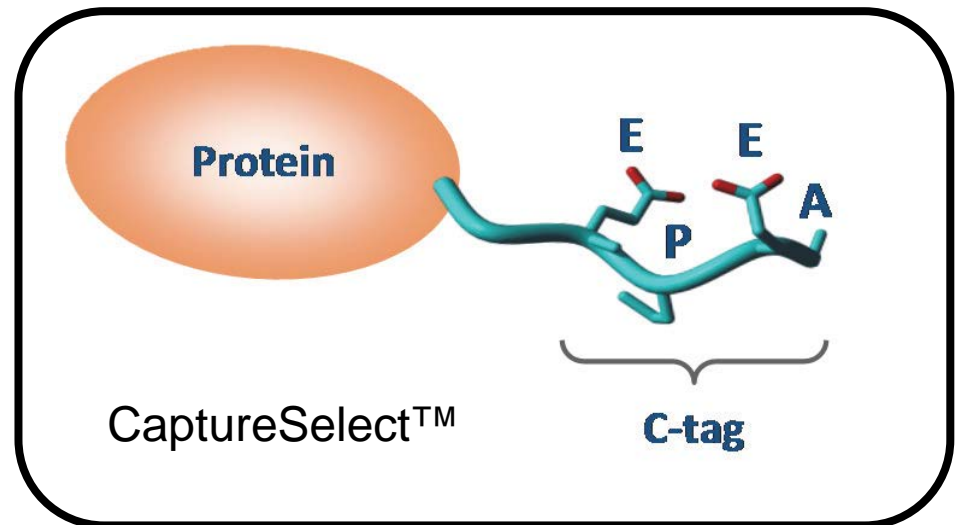
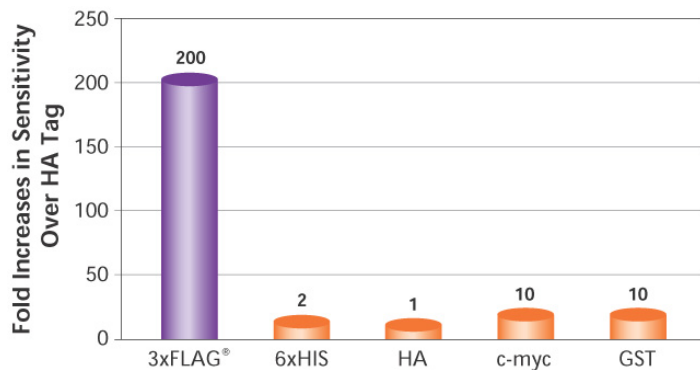
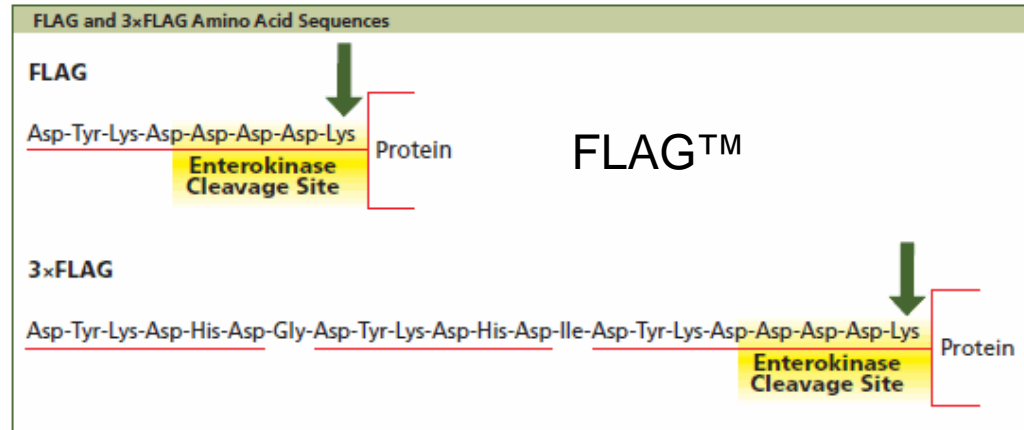
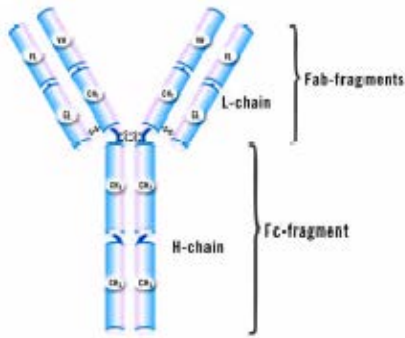


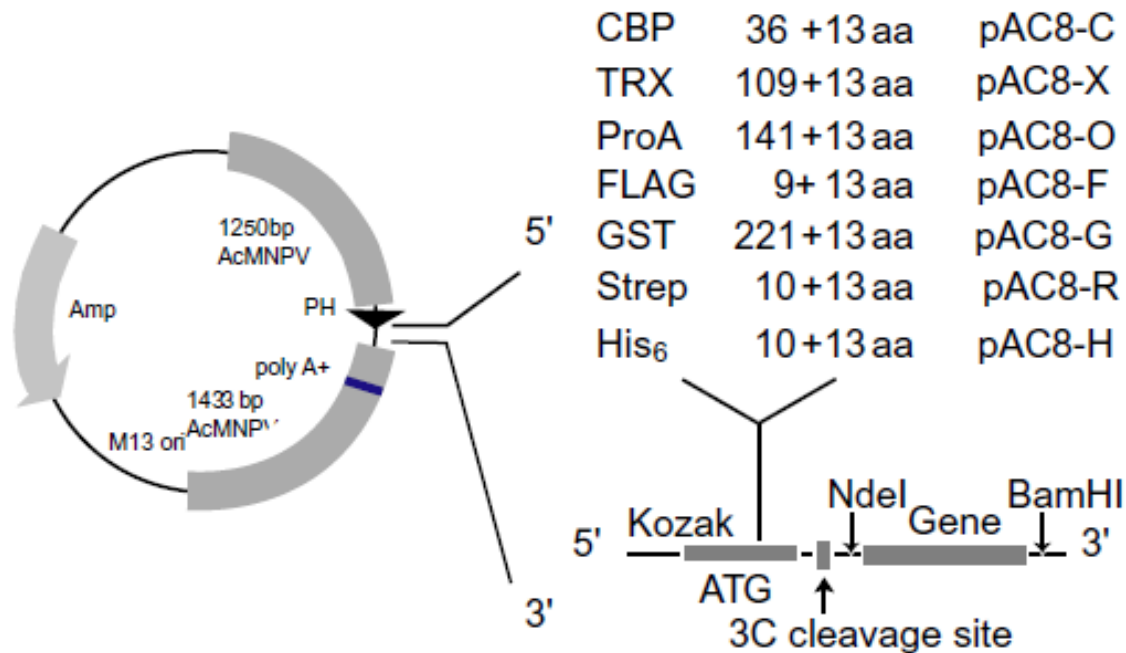
FIGURE 2 The Affinity protein expression and purification system. The highly conserved protein calmodulin binds to the CBP-tagged fusion protein in the presence of low concentrations of calcium at neutral pH (A). The fusion protein elutes from its ligand at neutral pH with 2 mM EGTA (B). The purified protein is now ready for storage, or if desired, proteolytic cleavage by thrombin or EK.

FLAG and Capture Systems

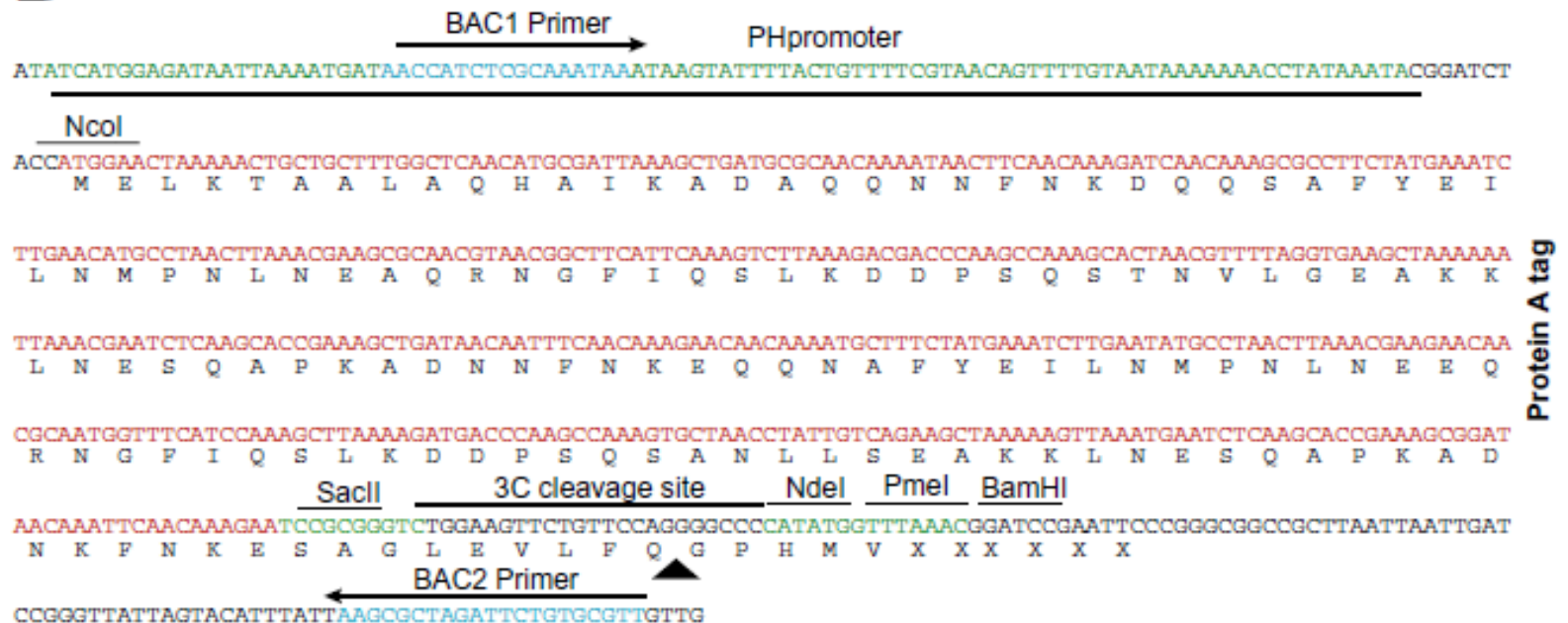


Transfer vectors for screening of affinity tags and parallel cloning of constructs

Standardize expression screening, enable consistent comparisons



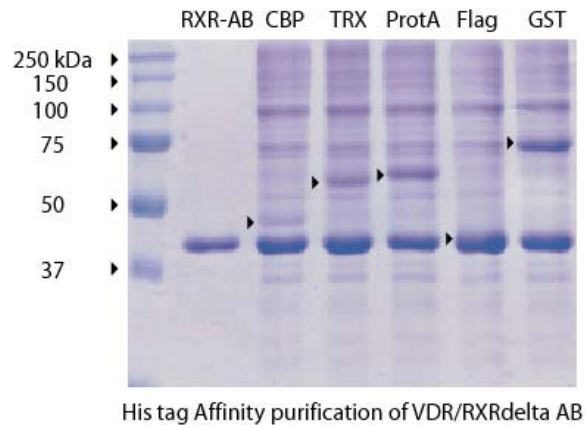
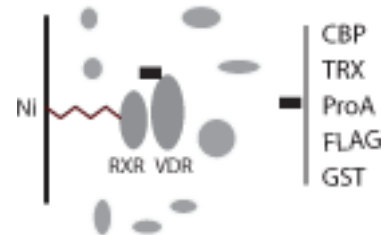
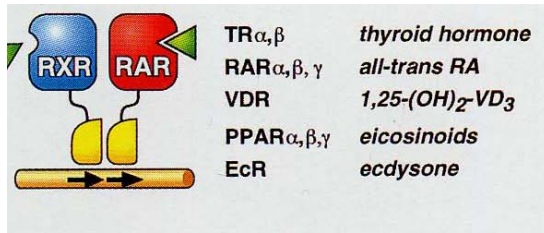
pBacPAK8 (Clontech) backbone
Restriction/Ligation/SLIC, or GW



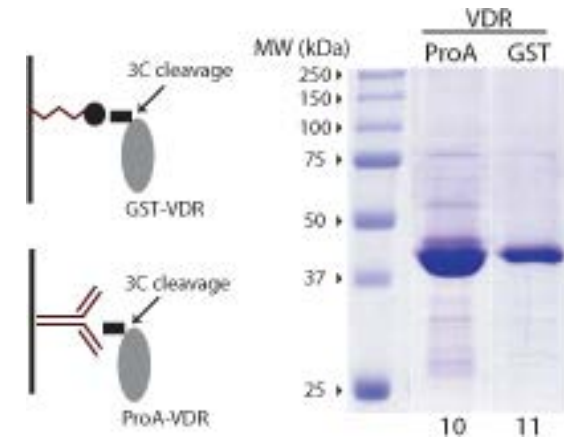
Protein A: Protein from *Staphylococcus aureus* that has affinity for immunoglobulins. Widely used for Ab purification; Elution with pH shift or on column cleavage

The example of VDR

Expression screening to optimize expression of VDR (variant)



RXR capture assay



On column tag cleavage

Tag	Resin	Elution	Cost/10mg
CBP	Calmodulin affinity	EGTA	181 €
TRX	Thiobond resin	β -mercapto ethanol	n.a.
ProA	IgG Sepharose G	n.a.	275 €
FLAG	Anti flag M2 affinity gel	FLAG peptide	2343 €
GST	Glutathione sepharose 4B	Glutathione	41 €
Strep tag II	Streptactin sepharose	Desthiobiotin	67-134 €
His6	TALON Affinity	Imidazole	8-23 €
HA	Red Anti-HA affinity gel	HA peptide	4480 €



Preparation and characterisation of Eukaryotic macromolecular complexes

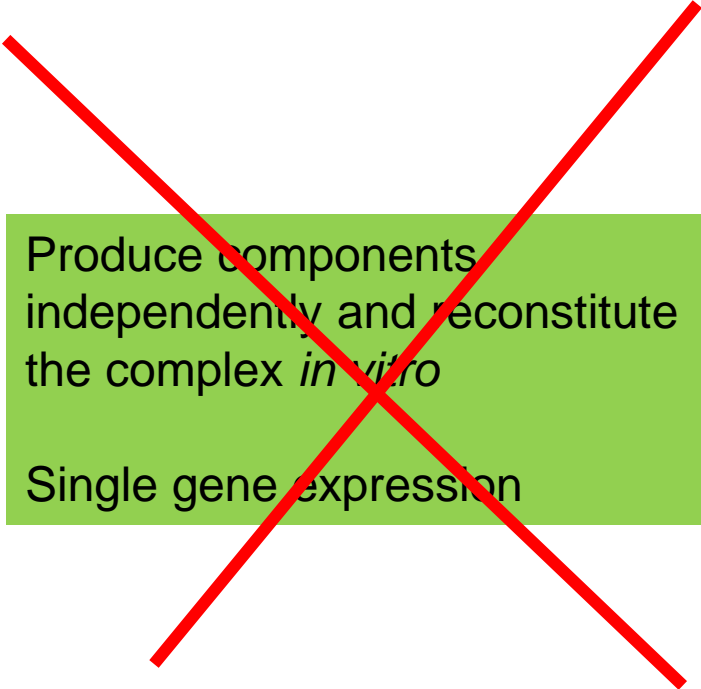
1/ What is a macromolecular complex?

2/ Recombinant production

- The baculovirus expression system
- Purification strategies: tandem affinity
- Co-expression in insect cells

3/ Purification from endogenous sources

Obligatory complexes



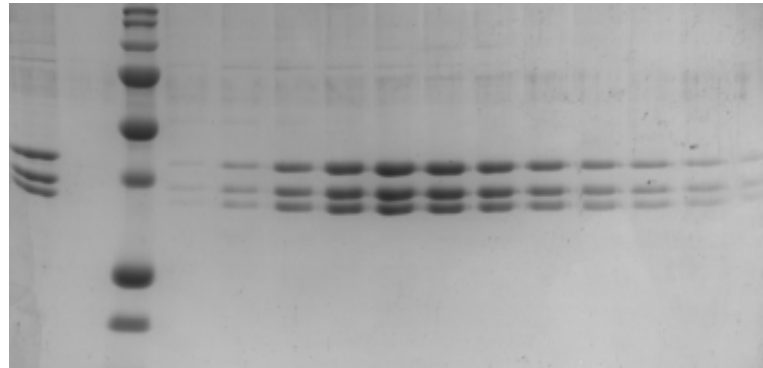
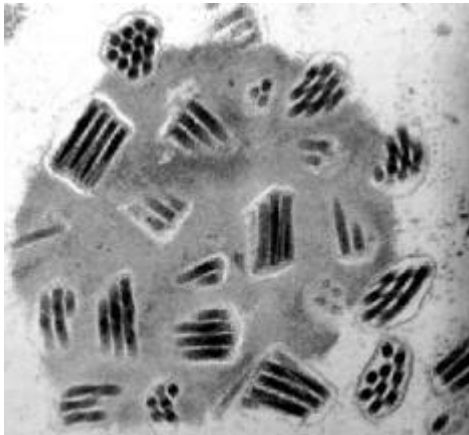
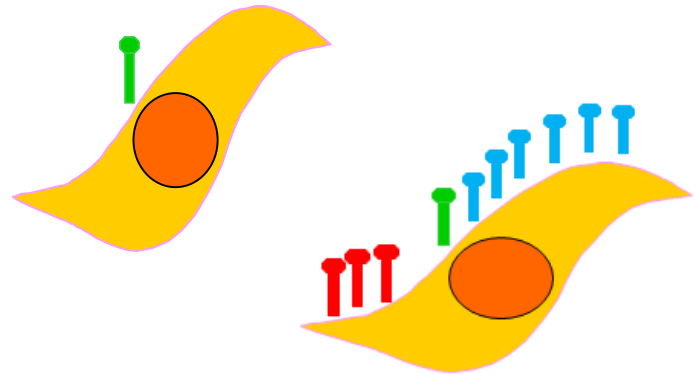
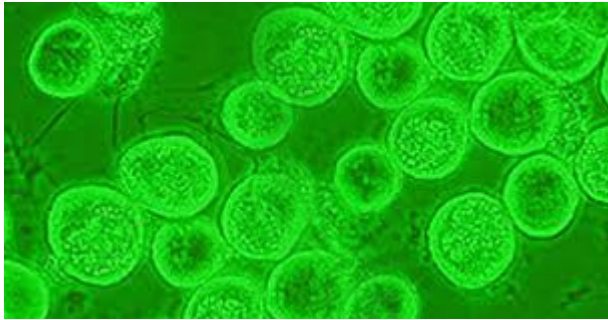
Produce components independently and reconstitute the complex *in vitro*

Single gene expression

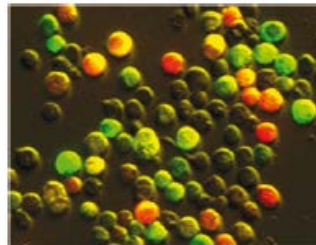
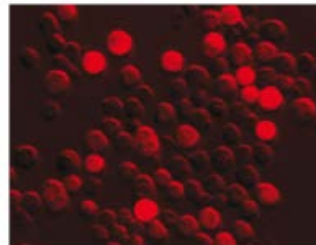
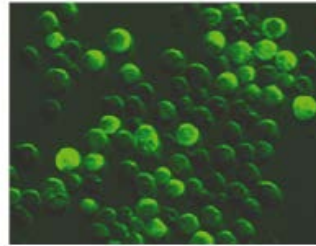
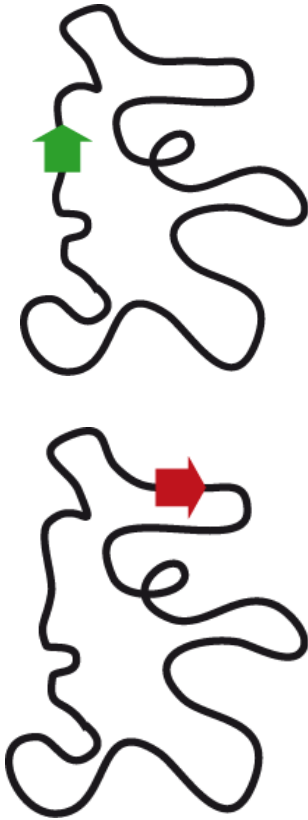
Produce components of the complex simultaneously which are assembled *in vivo*

Co-expression

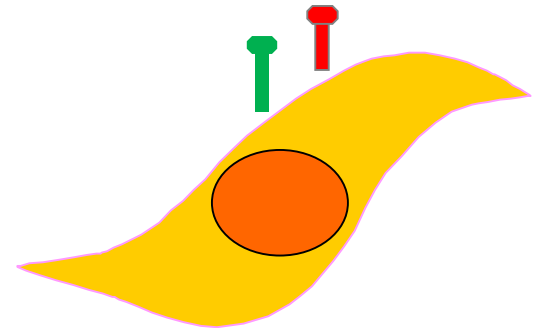
Co-expression in insect cells using the BVES



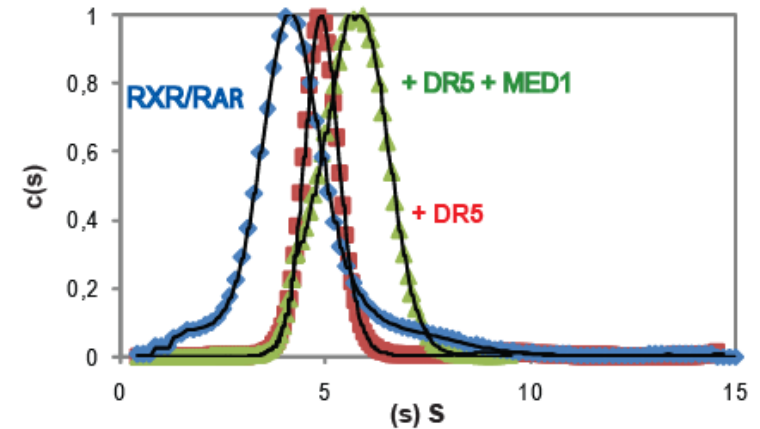
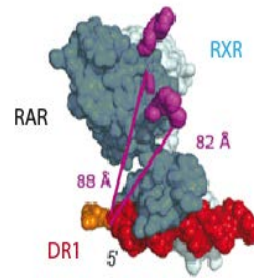
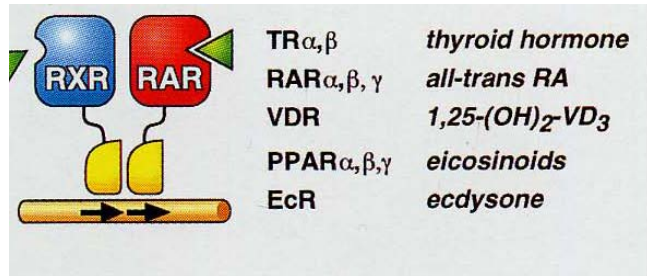
Co-infection: a simple way to co-express proteins



pH GFP+ p10 DsRed

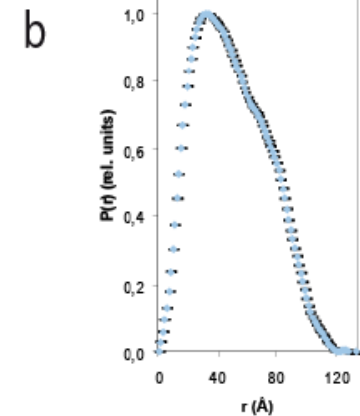
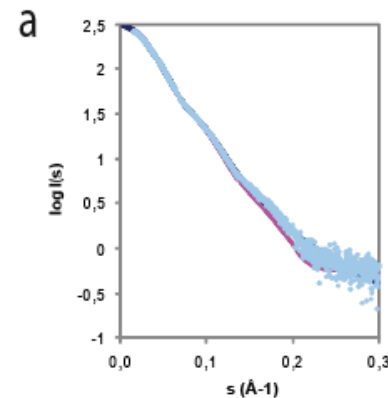
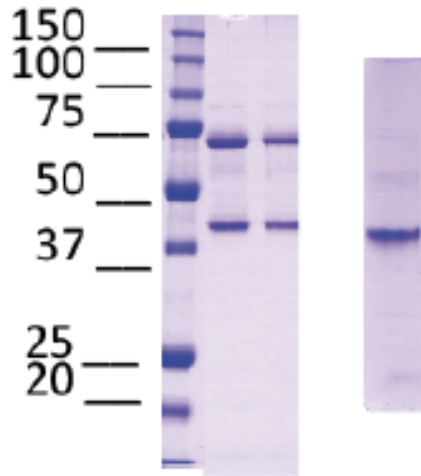


Production of nuclear hormone receptor complexes



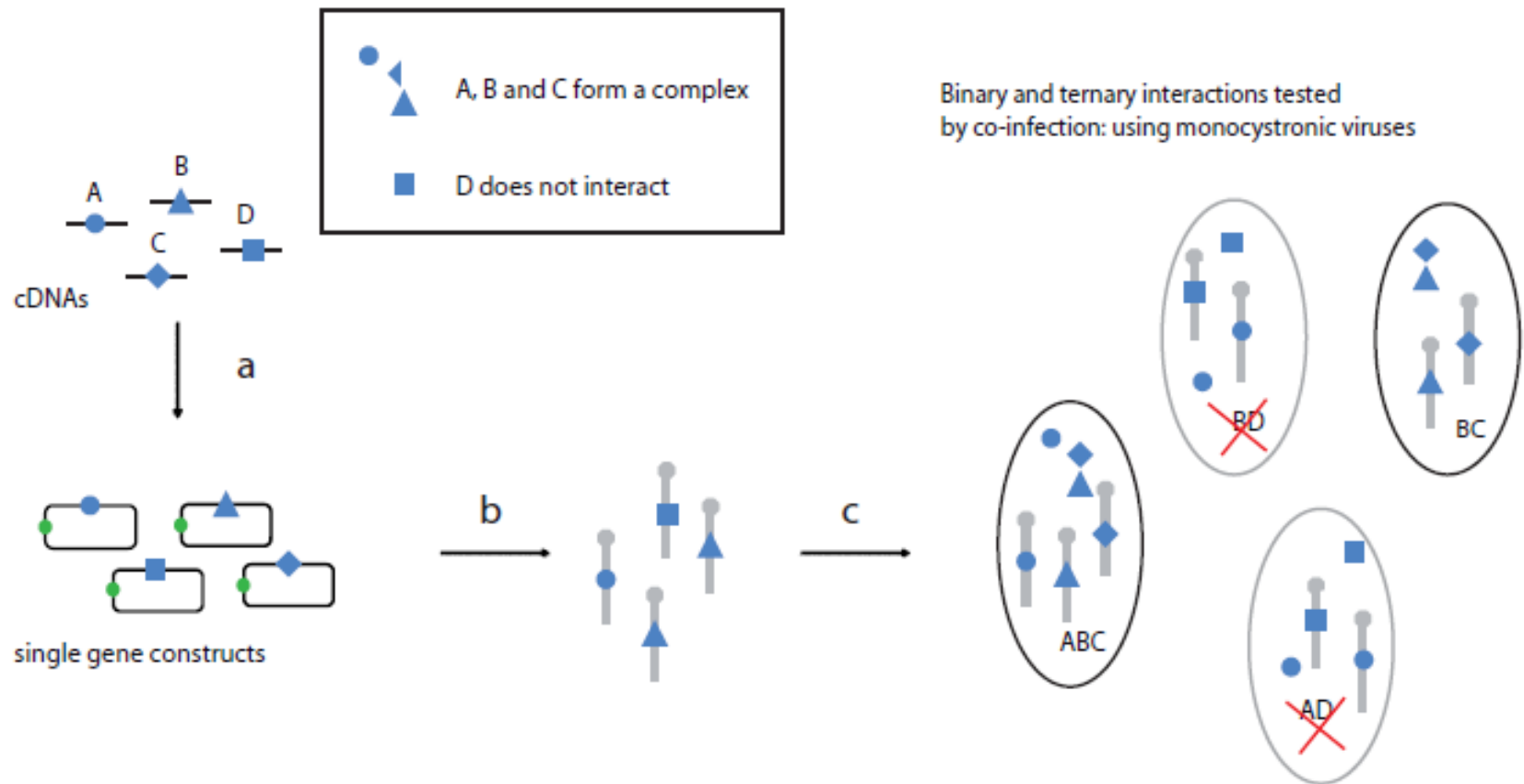
PPAR γ /RXR α Δ AB/PPRE DR1

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Analysis of protein-protein interaction networks

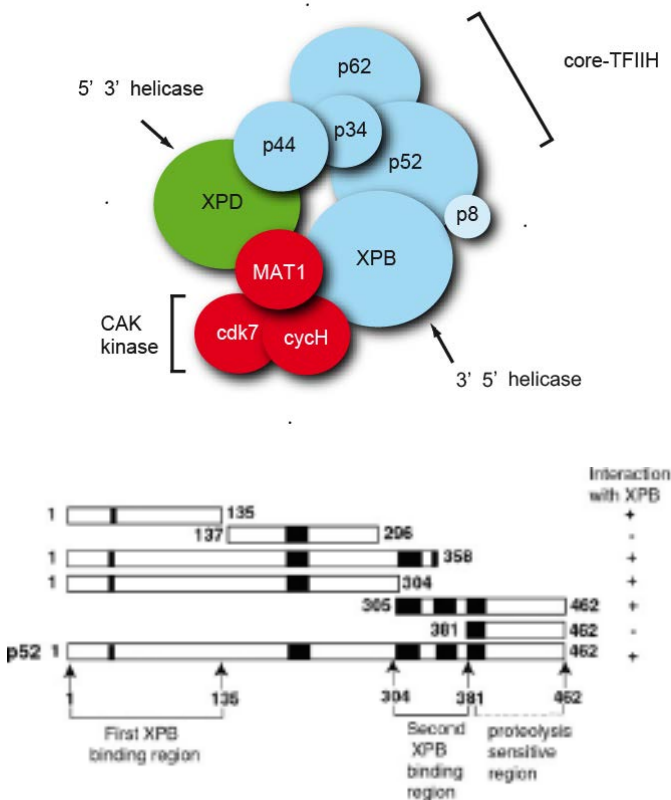
n proteins/subunits: do they form a stable complex ?



Systematic dissection of protein-protein interactions within a complex

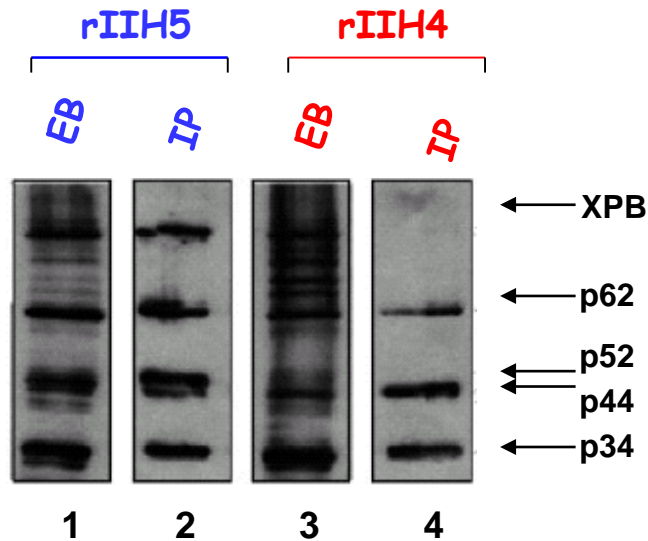
Generate two sets of n viruses: typically the first with a FLAG epitope and the second with an 6His tag

Test all combinations of pair-wise interactions (Flag-protein x/His-protein y)

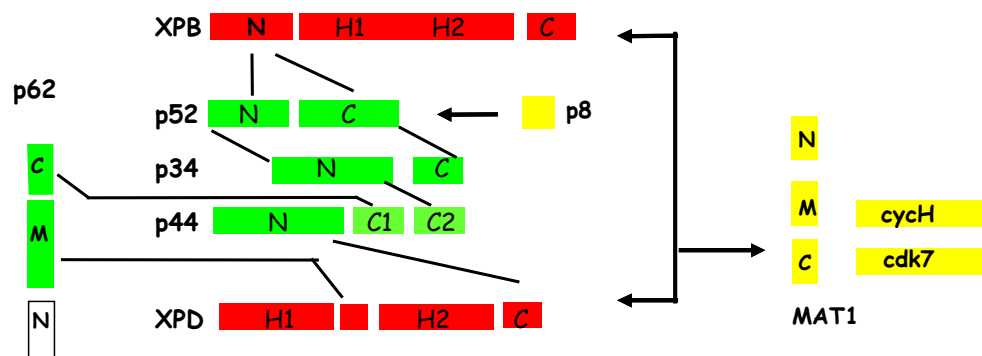
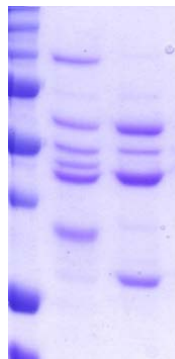
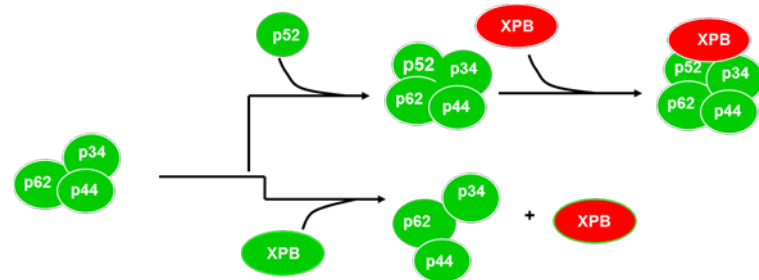


Flag-protein	His-protein						
	p34	p44	p52	p62	XPB	XPD	MAT1
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	XPB						
	XPD						

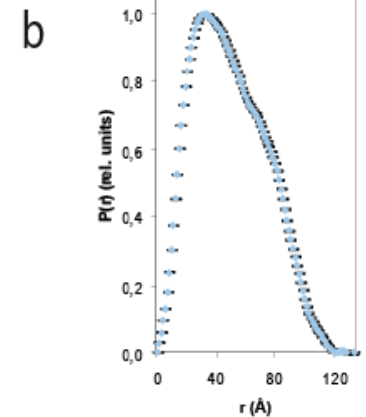
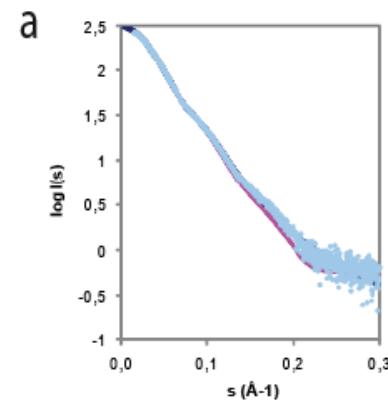
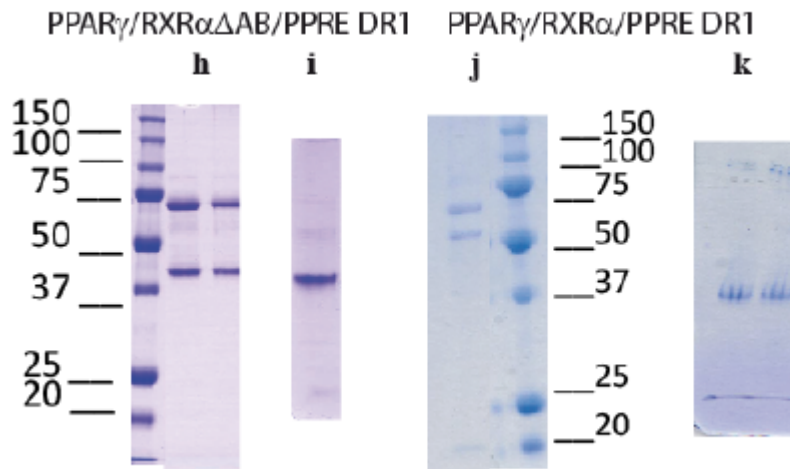
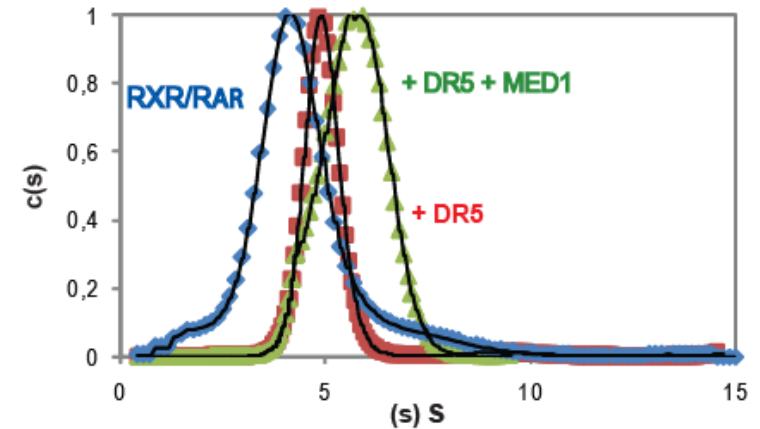
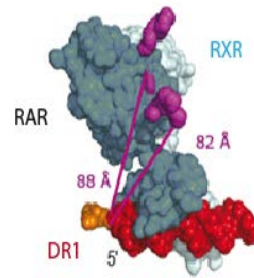
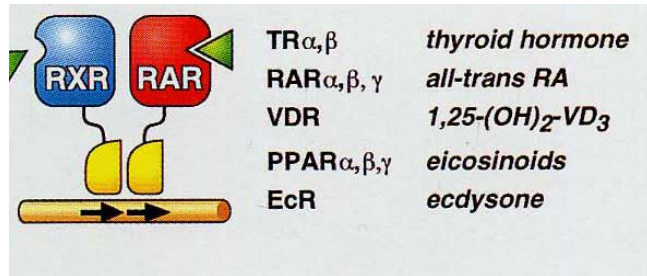
Systematic dissection of protein-protein interactions: deletion analysis



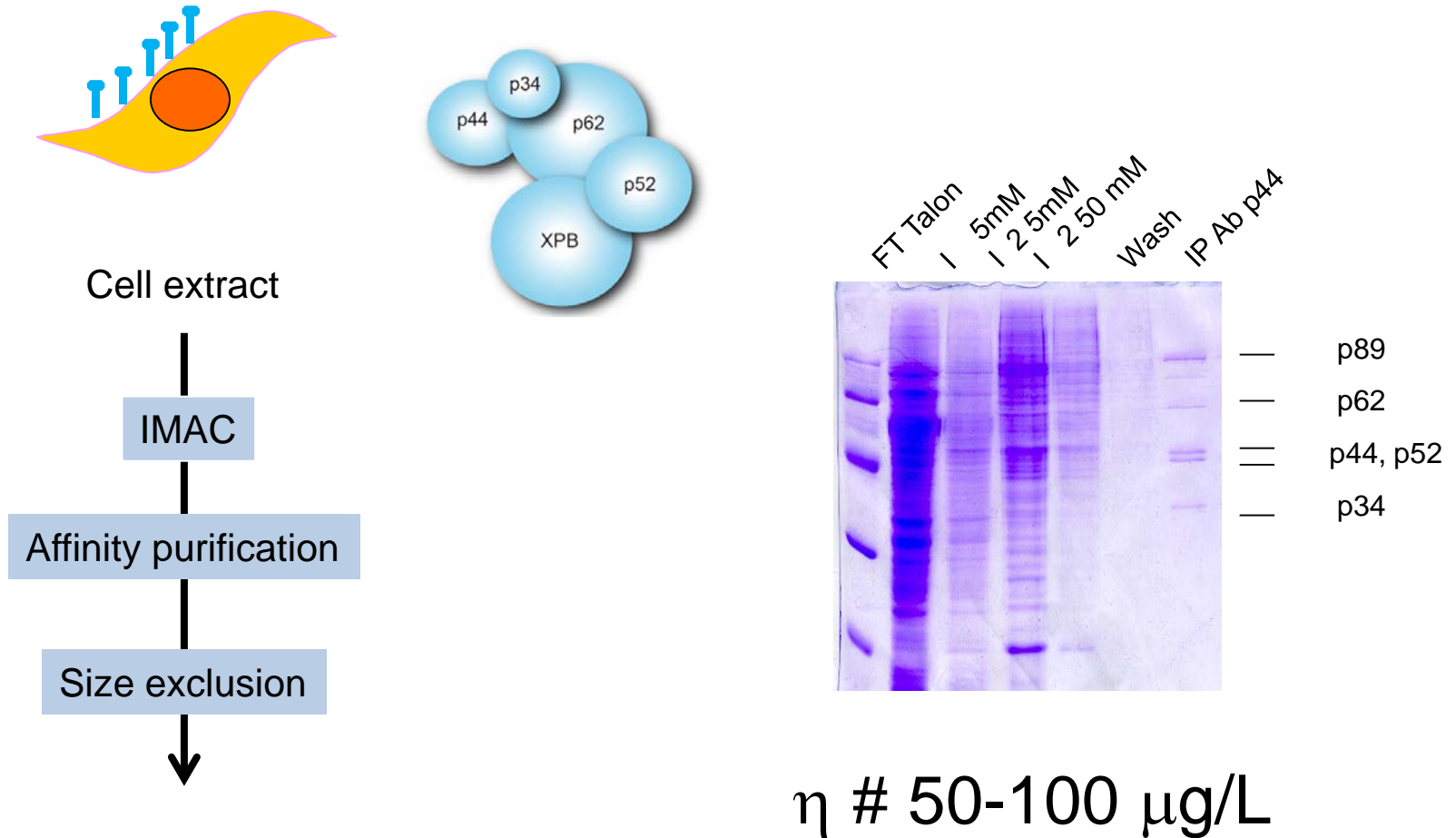
Analysis of the protein interaction network
Identification of key regulatory interactions



Production of nuclear hormone receptor complexes

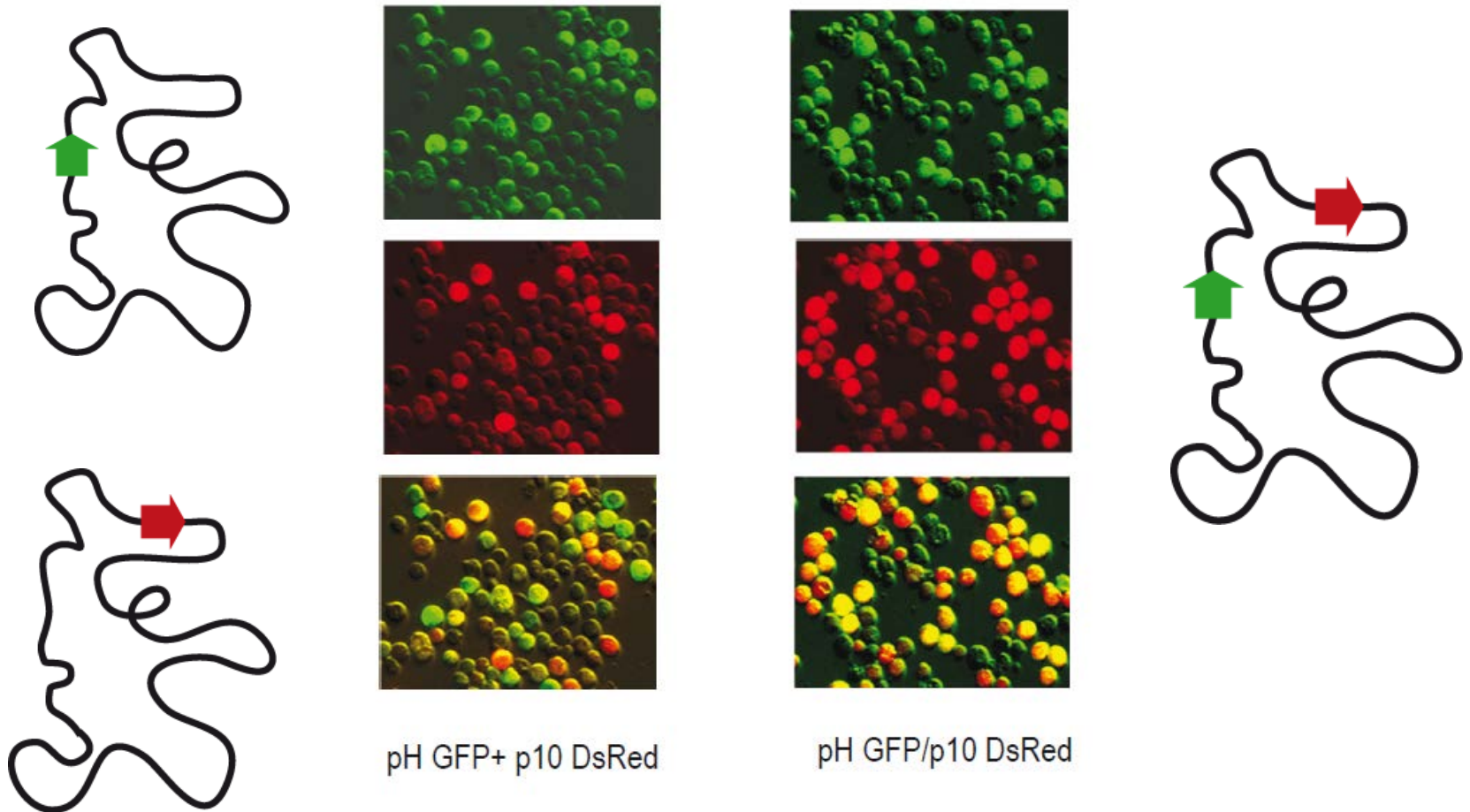


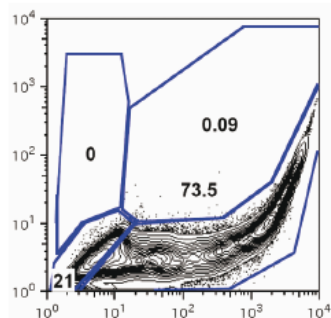
Co-infection with multiple viruses for reconstitution of complexes



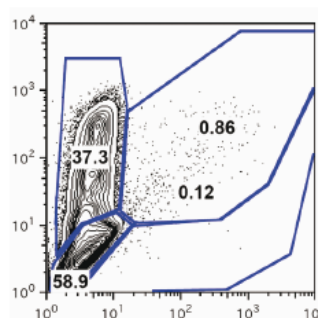
Low yields, labour intensive, poor reproducibility

Co-infection vs Multigene expression

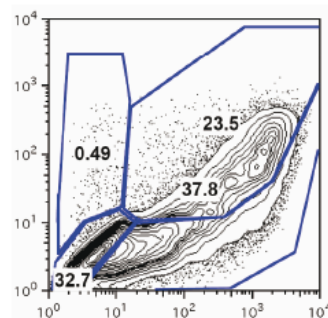




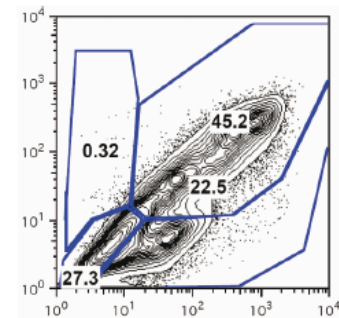
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p10 DsRed



pH GFP+ p10 DsRed

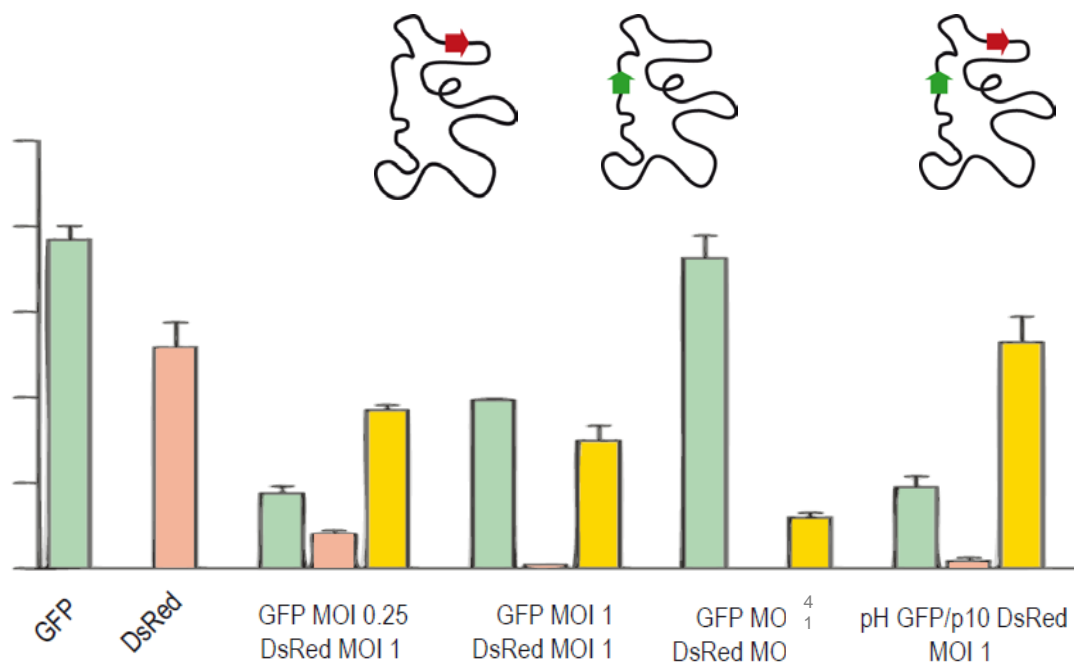


pH GFP/p10 DsRed

Controls

Co-infection

Multigene expression



Idem for other MOIs

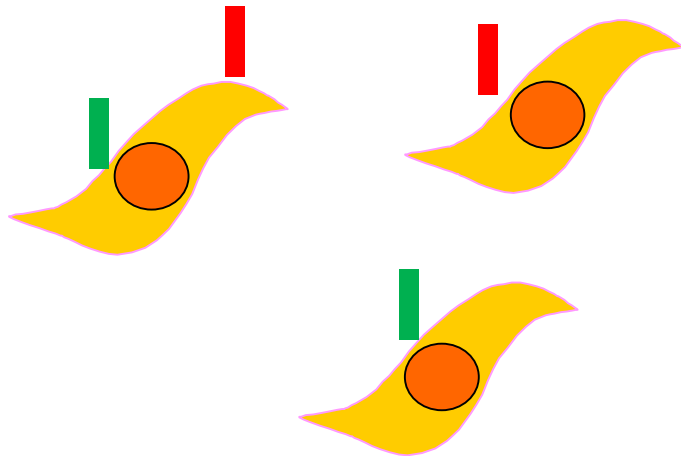
Co-infection vs Multigene expression



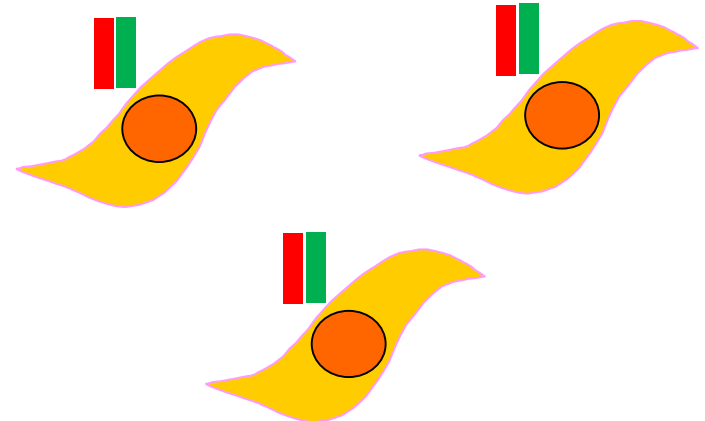
Two viruses encoding a single gene each



A single virus encoding the two genes



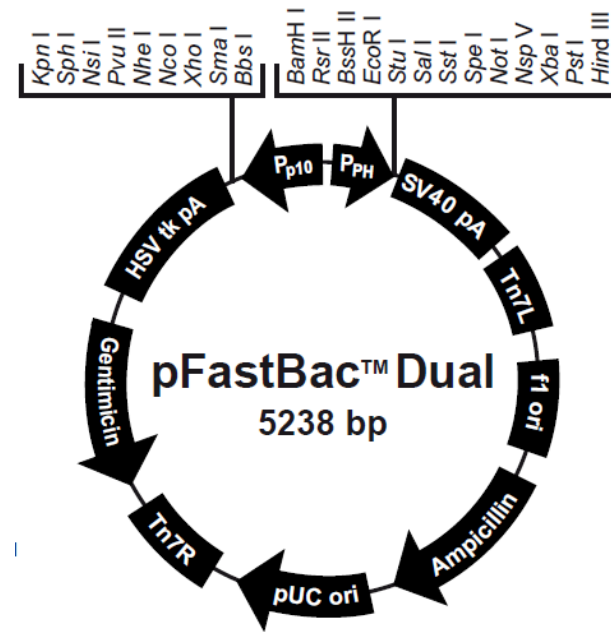
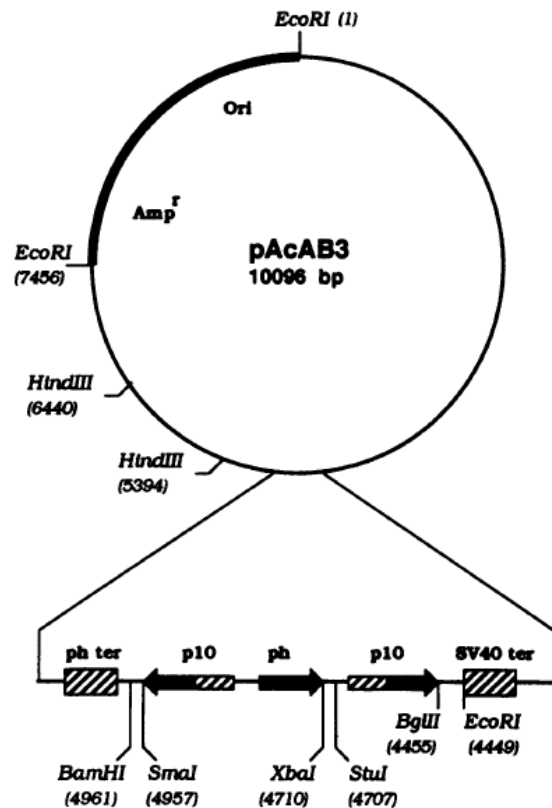
Co-infection



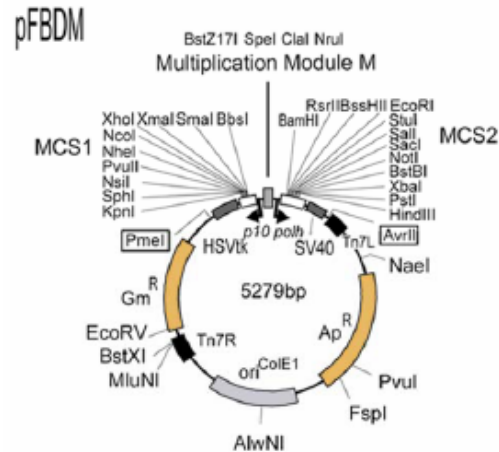
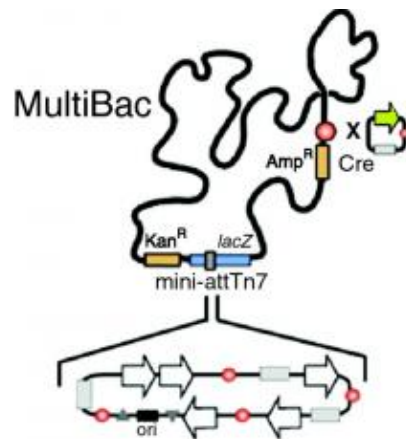
Infection by a single virus

Development of baculovirus triple and quadruple expression vectors: co-expression of three or four bluetongue virus proteins and the synthesis of bluetongue virus-like particles in insect cells

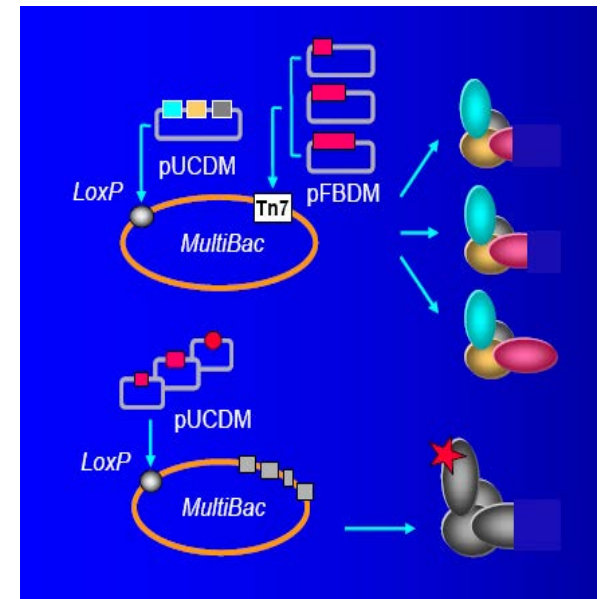
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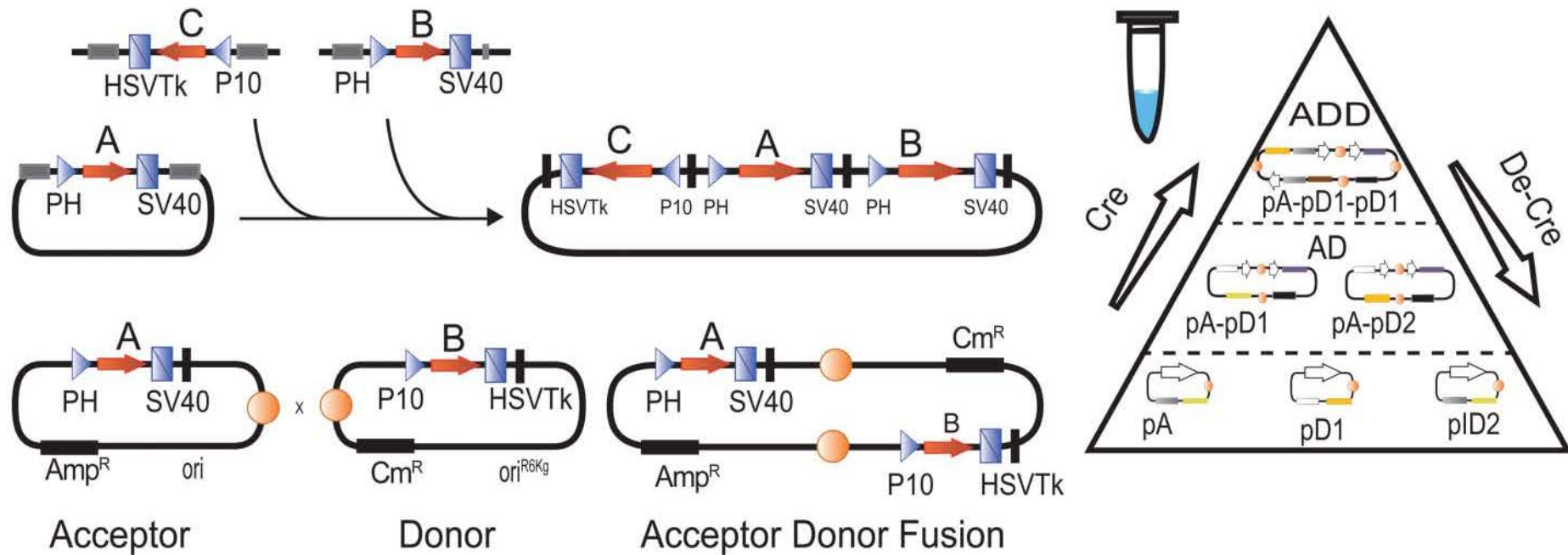


Tools to streamline design of multigene expression recombinant baculoviruses

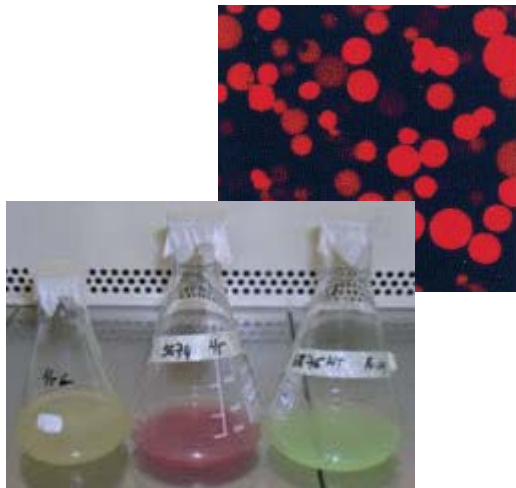


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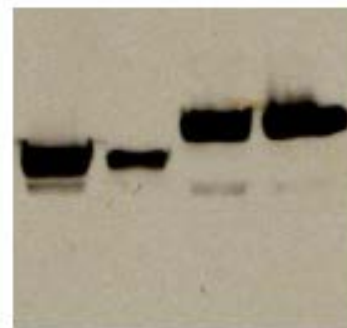
MultiBac technology: Combinatorial applications in protein expression



Insertion of an expression cassette into the multiplication module

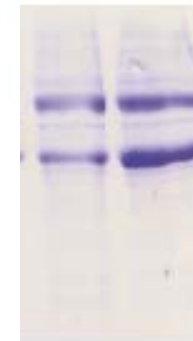


Flag-RAR /His-RXR
Strep-RAR /His-RXR
GST-RAR /His-RXR
GST-RAR /His-RXR (or2)



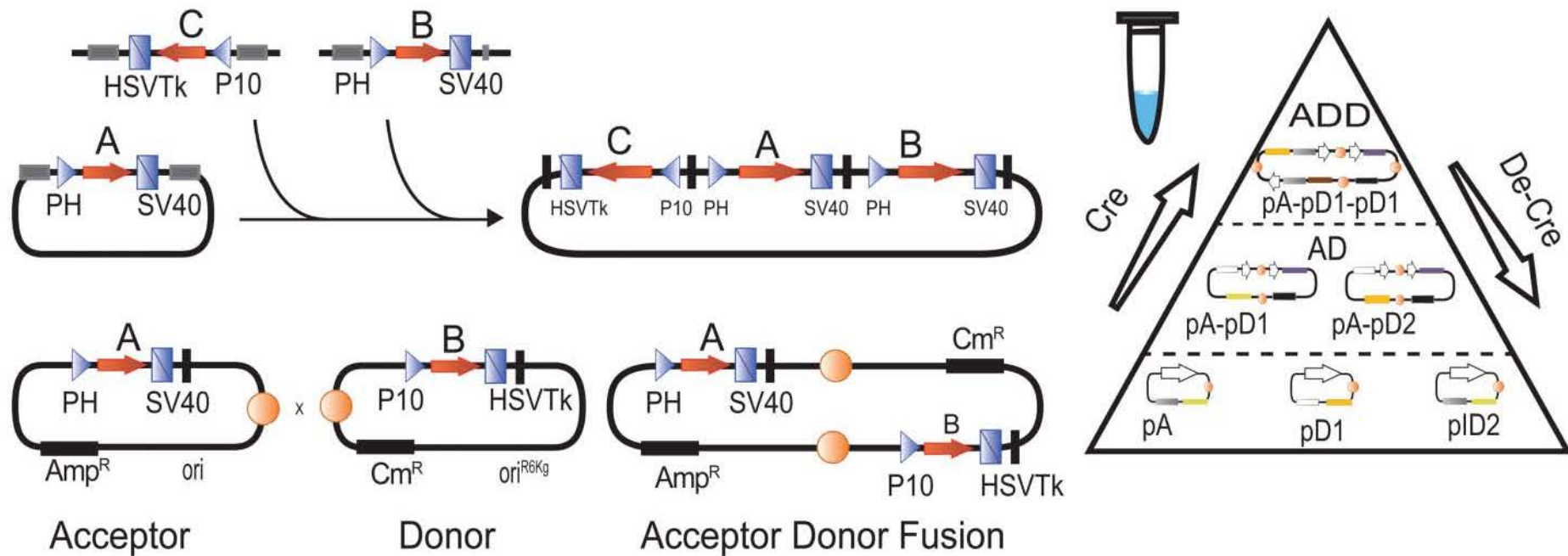
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WB Ab @RAR



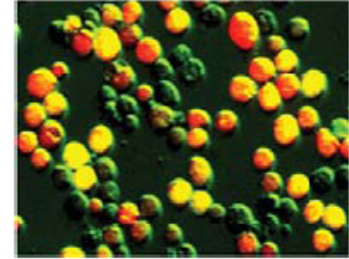
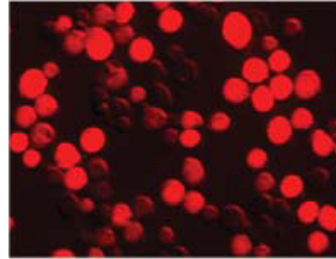
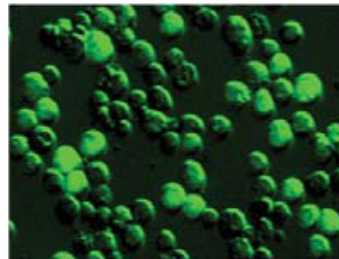
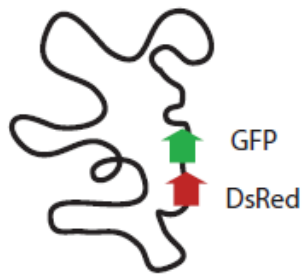
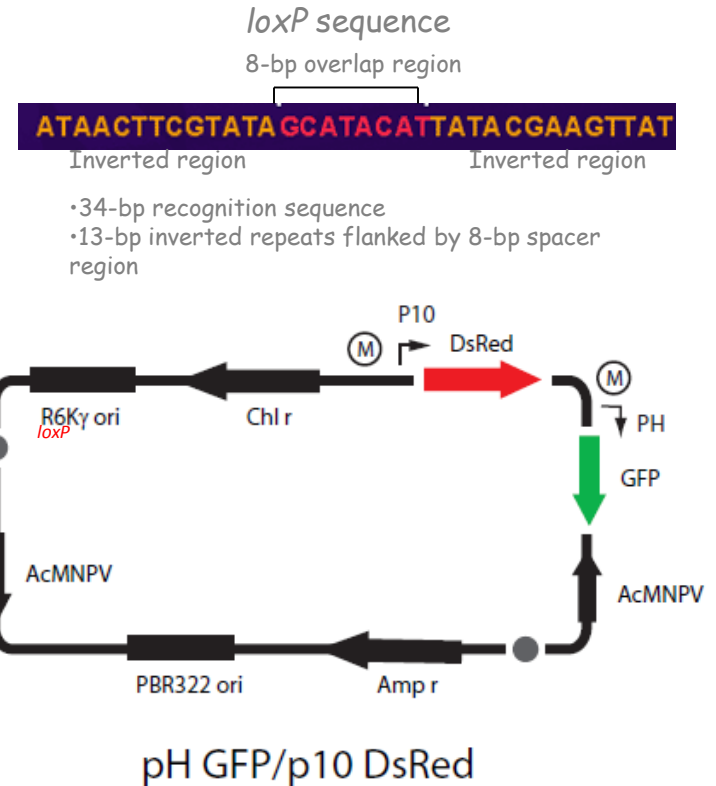
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MultiBac technology: Combinatorial applications in protein expression



Cre-LoxP recombination *in vitro*

Cre recombinase binds to the loxP sites on both the donor vector and the acceptor vector, cleaves the DNA, and covalently attaches itself to the DNA which leads to strand exchange and concatenation.

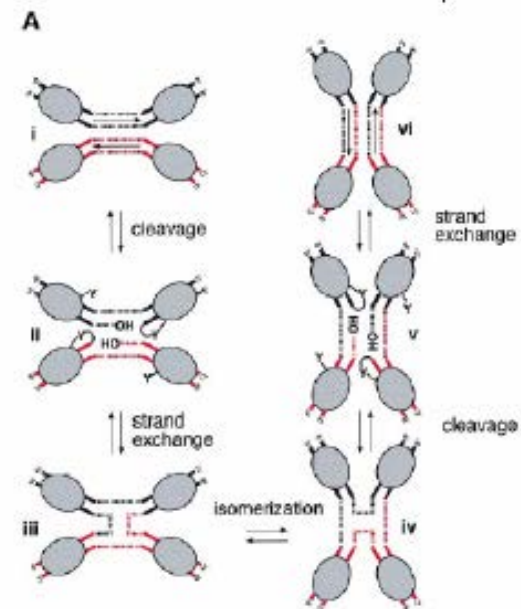
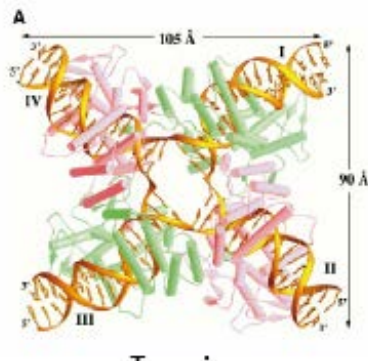


Site specific recombination cloning

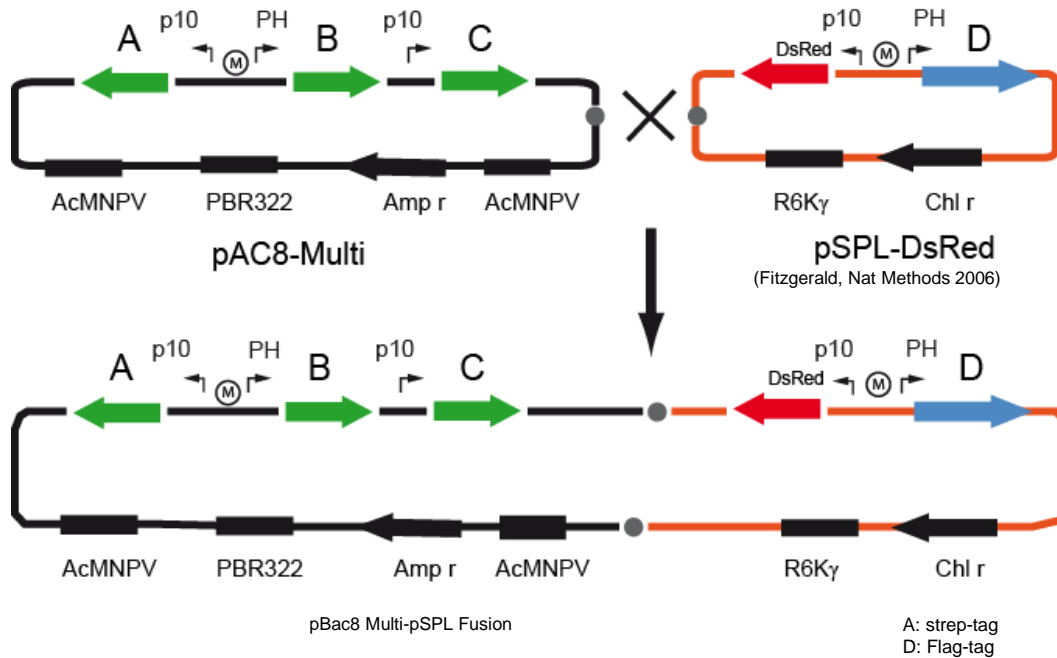
- General
 - RecA
 - Promotes homologous strand recombination
- Site Specific
 - Cre/lox
 - P1 phage recombinase Cre
 - Lux sites 32 bp
 - Lambda integrase/att
 - L-phage integrase
 - attB
 - attP

- MAIN APPLICATIONS
- *In VITRO*
 - Rapid restriction enzyme free subcloning
 - Plasmid excision
 - In vitro clone screening
- *In VIVO*
 - Genome rearrangements
 - Tightly regulated transcription

Cre-loxP recombination in bacteriophage P1



Expression of ternary and quaternary complexes with a single virus: a problem of DNA synthesis

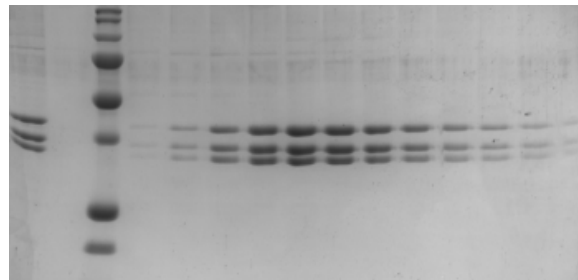
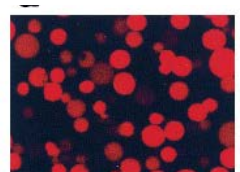


Flag-affinity

Elution with Competitor-peptide

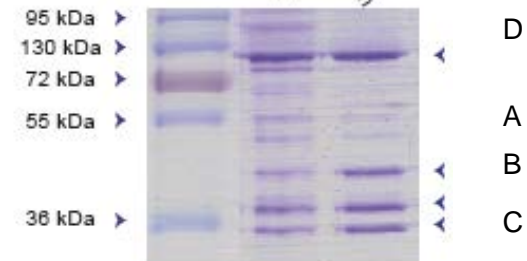
Strep-affinity

Elution with Desthiobiotin



Ternary complex

A
B
C

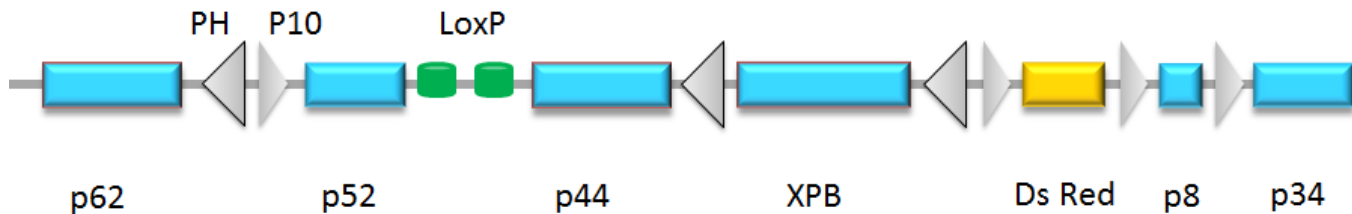
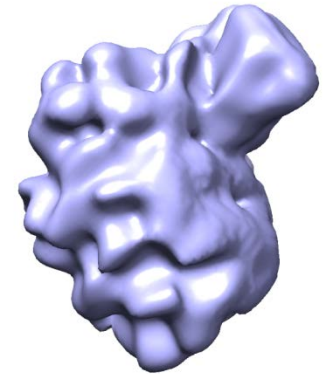
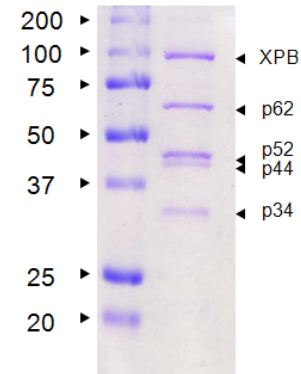
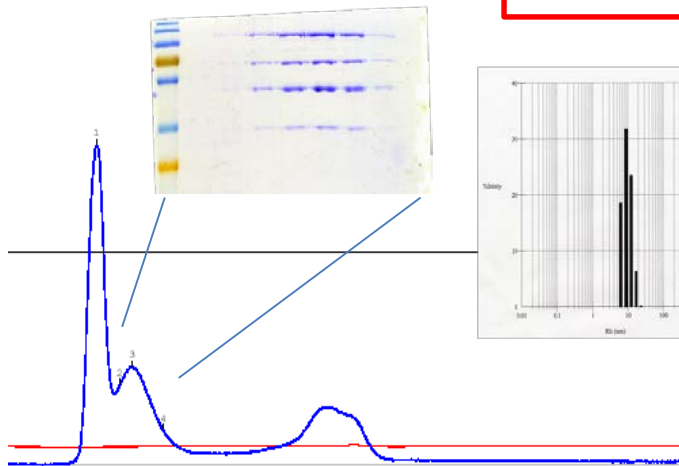
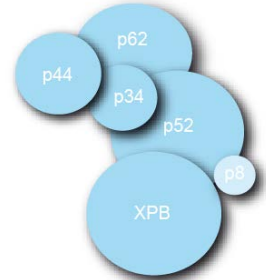


Quaternary complex

Production of core-TFIIH with a single virus

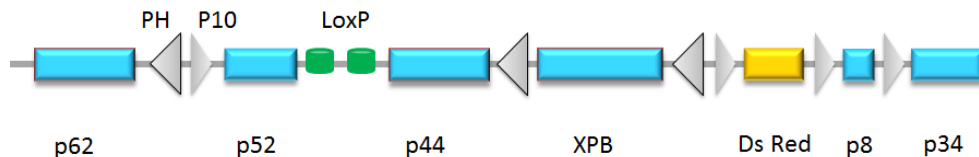
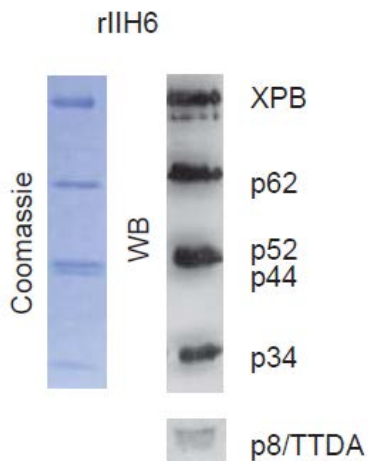
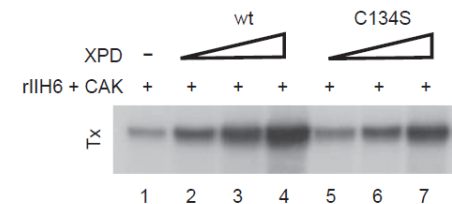
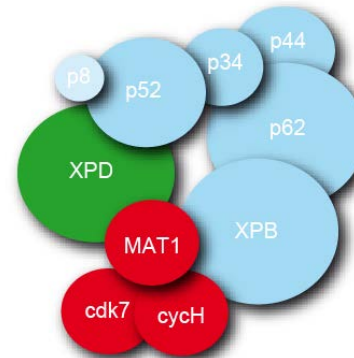
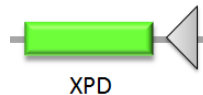
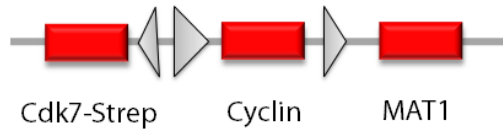
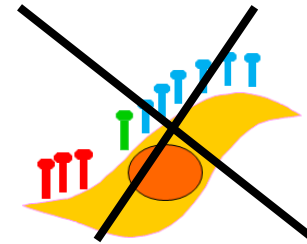
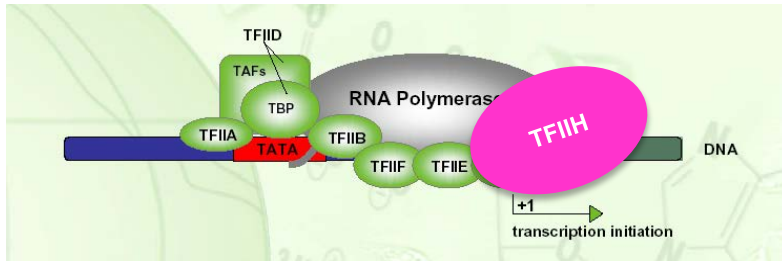
- ❖ 6 subunits: XPB, p62, p52, p44, p34, p8/TTDA (+ DsRed)
- ❖ Yield : 0.5 mg/L

MS-cross linking, Cryo-EM and crystallization
Screening for XPB inhibitors



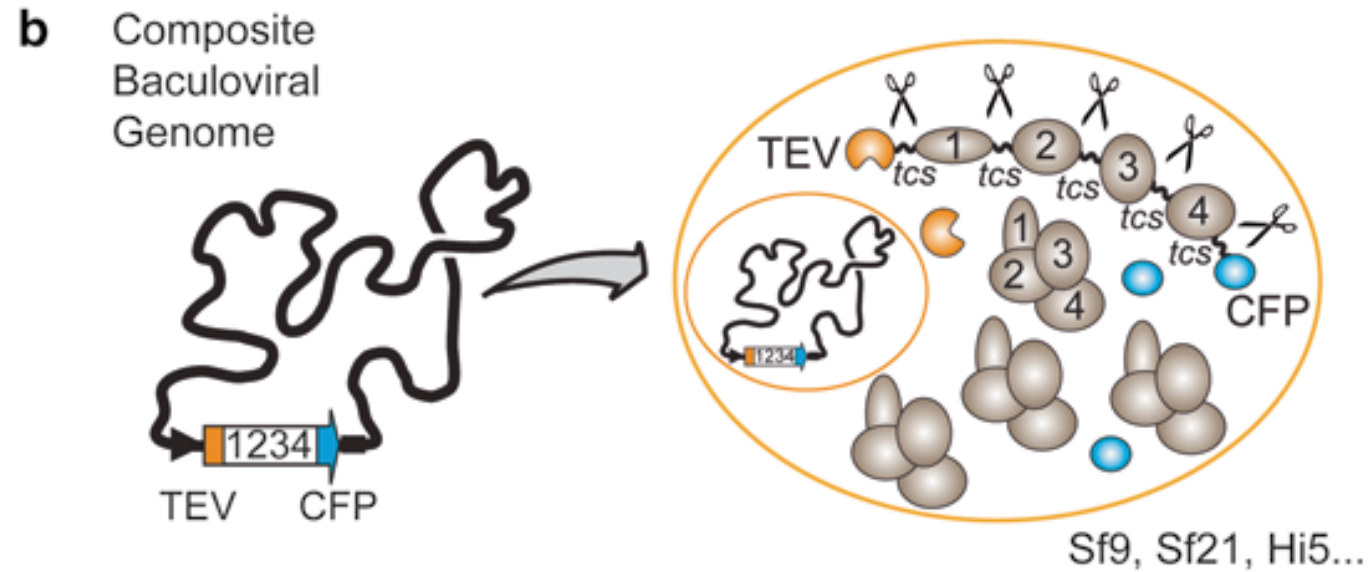
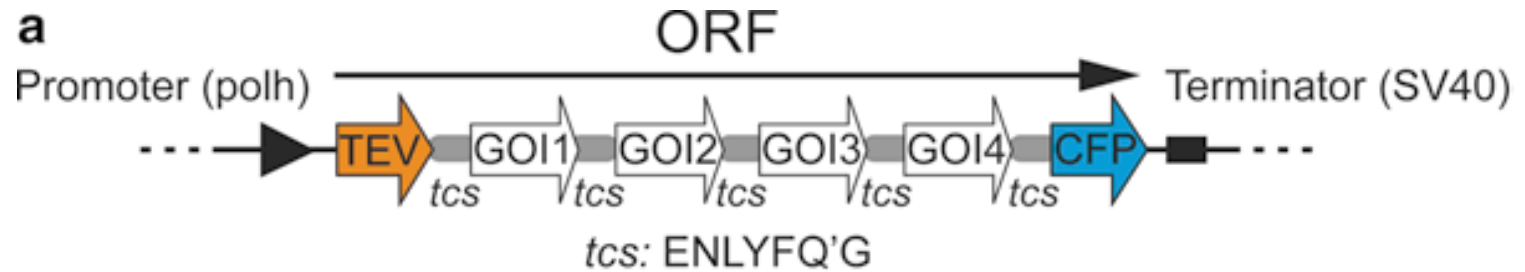
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Reconstitution and in vitro assays

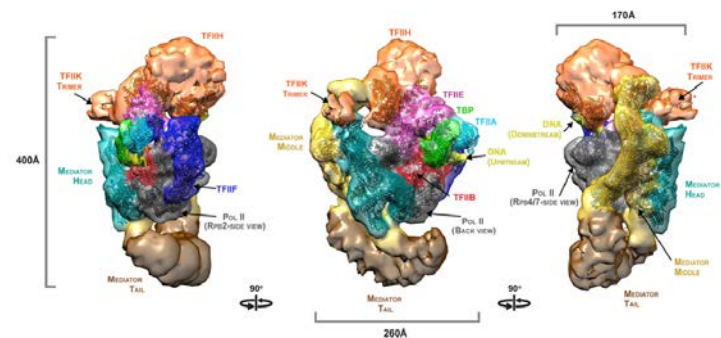
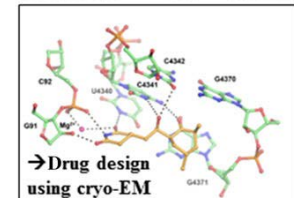
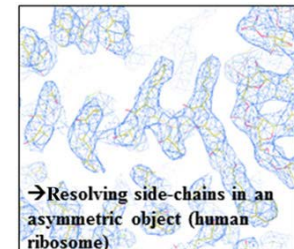
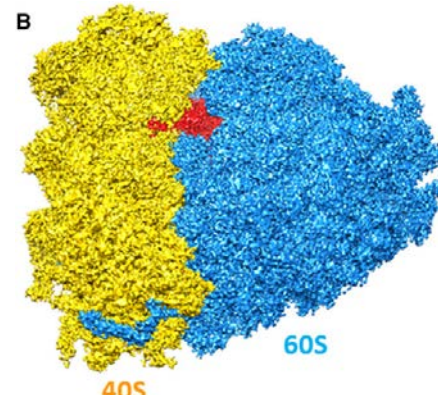
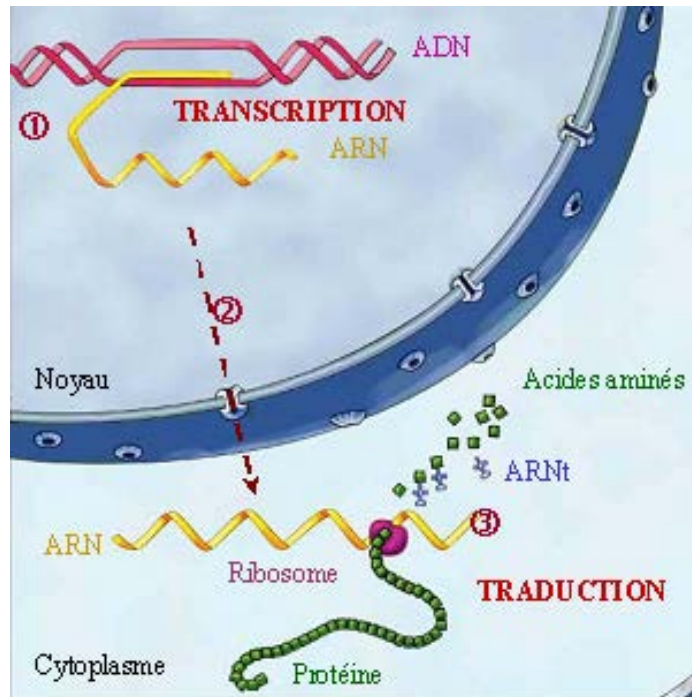


(Abdulrahman et al, PNAS 2013, Kupper et al., Plos Biology 2014, Radu NAR 2017)

Polyproteins



Preparation from endogenous sources



Tandem Affinity Purification

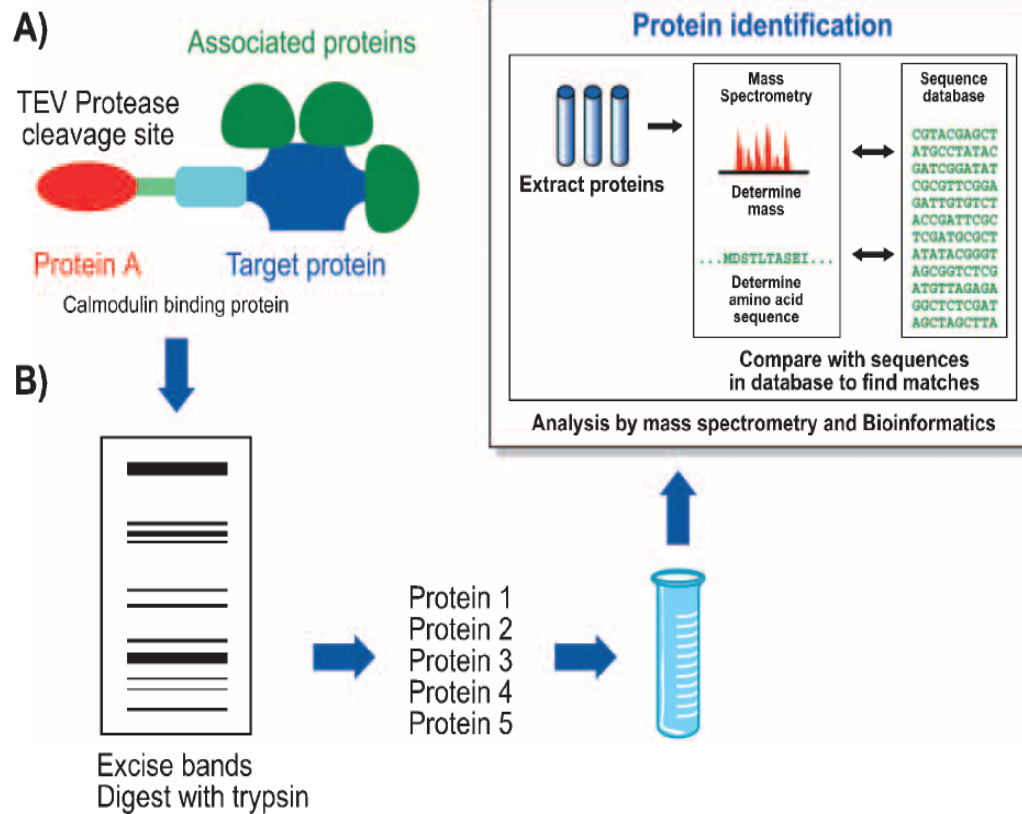
- Rapid purification of complexes without prior knowledge of the complex composition, activity, or function
- Ability to purify low abundant proteins/protein complexes
- Fusion of the TAP tag to the target protein
- Complex retrieval from tissue culture
- Developed for genome wide protein-protein interactions studies and also used for structural biology applications

TAP-MS

Target protein fused to a **Protein A** – **Calmodulin binding protein**

First step: an IgG column (TEV cleavage for elution)

Second step: a calmodulin beads (Ca^{2+} /EGTA)



TAP-TAG in yeast

(Gavin, 2002)

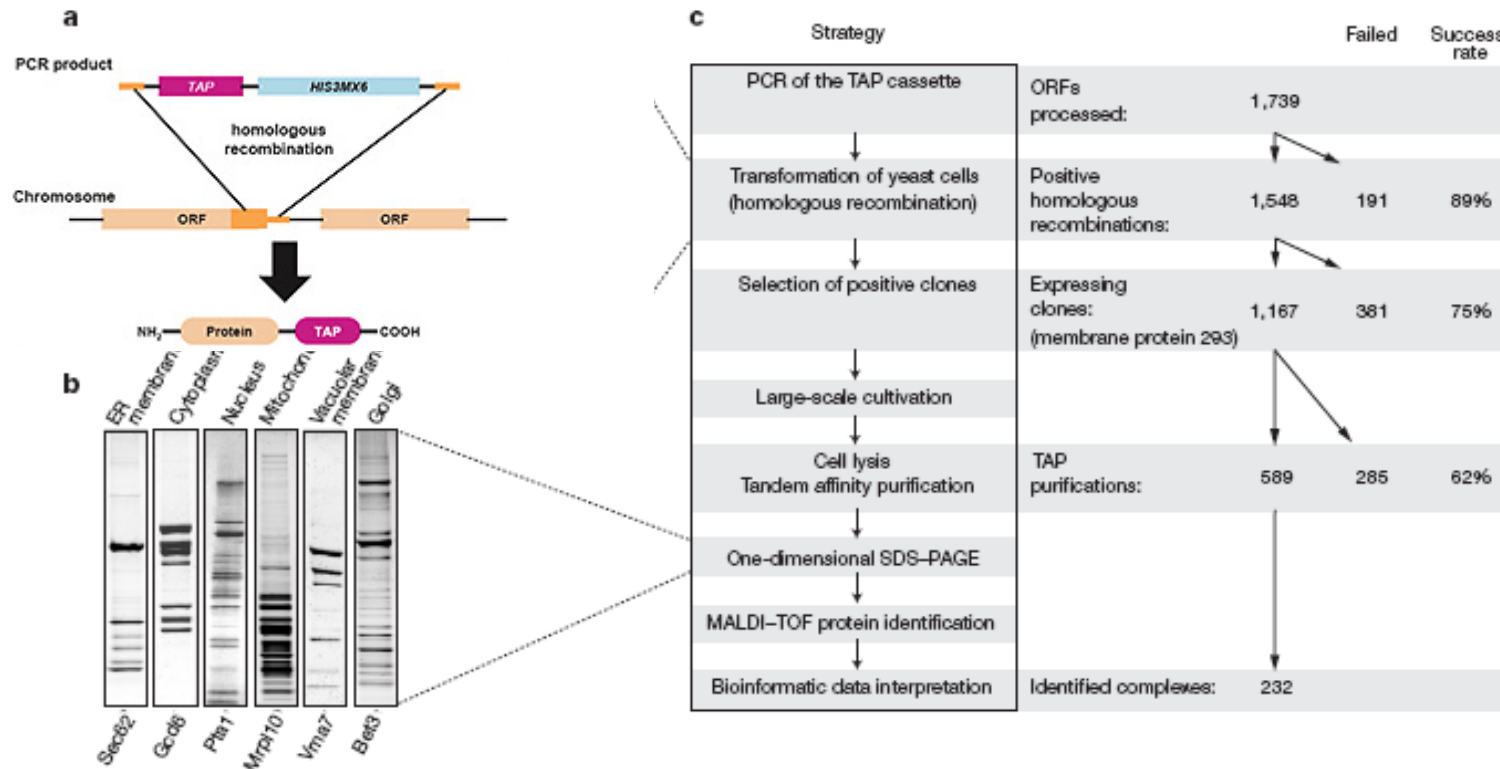


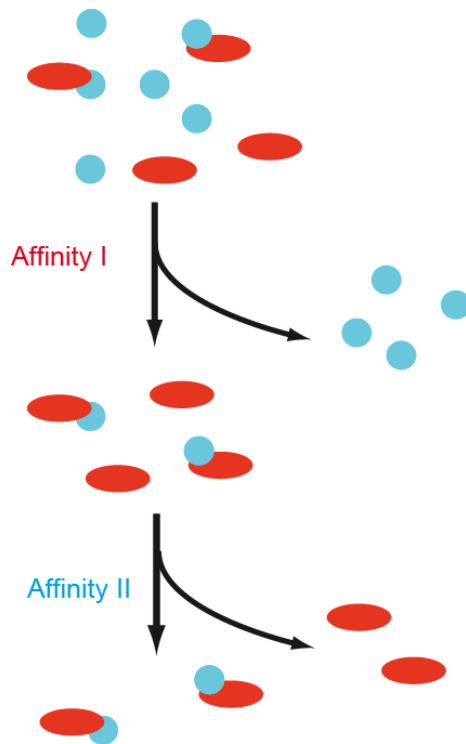
Figure 1 Synopsis of the screen. **a**, Schematic representation of the gene targeting procedure. The TAP cassette is inserted at the C terminus of a given yeast ORF by homologous recombination, generating the TAP-tagged fusion protein. **b**, Examples of TAP complexes purified from different subcellular compartments separated on denaturing

protein gels and stained with Coomassie. Tagged proteins are indicated at the bottom. ER, endoplasmic reticulum. **c**, Schematic representation of the sequential steps used for the purification and identification of TAP complexes (left), and the number of experiments and success rate at each step of the procedure (right).

Tandem affinity purification protocols: Nature and position of the affinity tag

Right tag on the right place

Tandem affinity purification



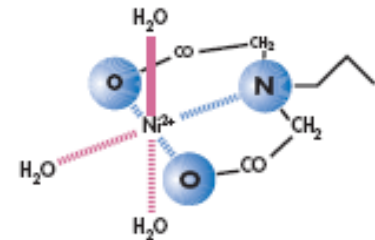
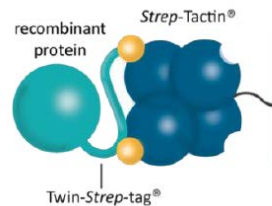
Which affinity tags?

10His, Twin-strep, 3Flag, (HA, GFP, CBP)

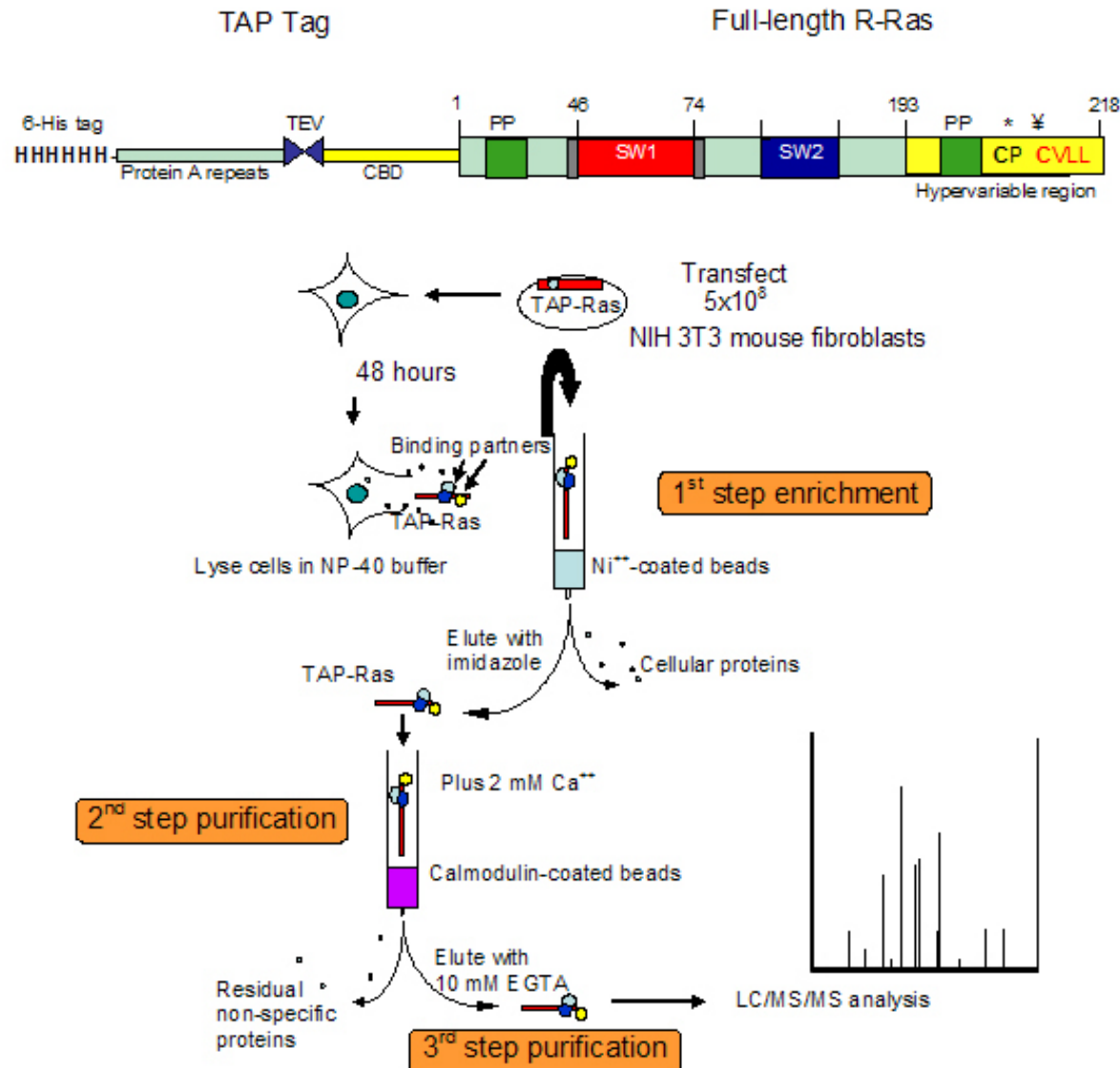
The position matters

Two different subunits

Location has tremendous impact



TAP-TAG in Mammalian cells



Engineering of Mammalian cell lines

Random integration (based on antibiotic selection)

Site specific integration by RMCE

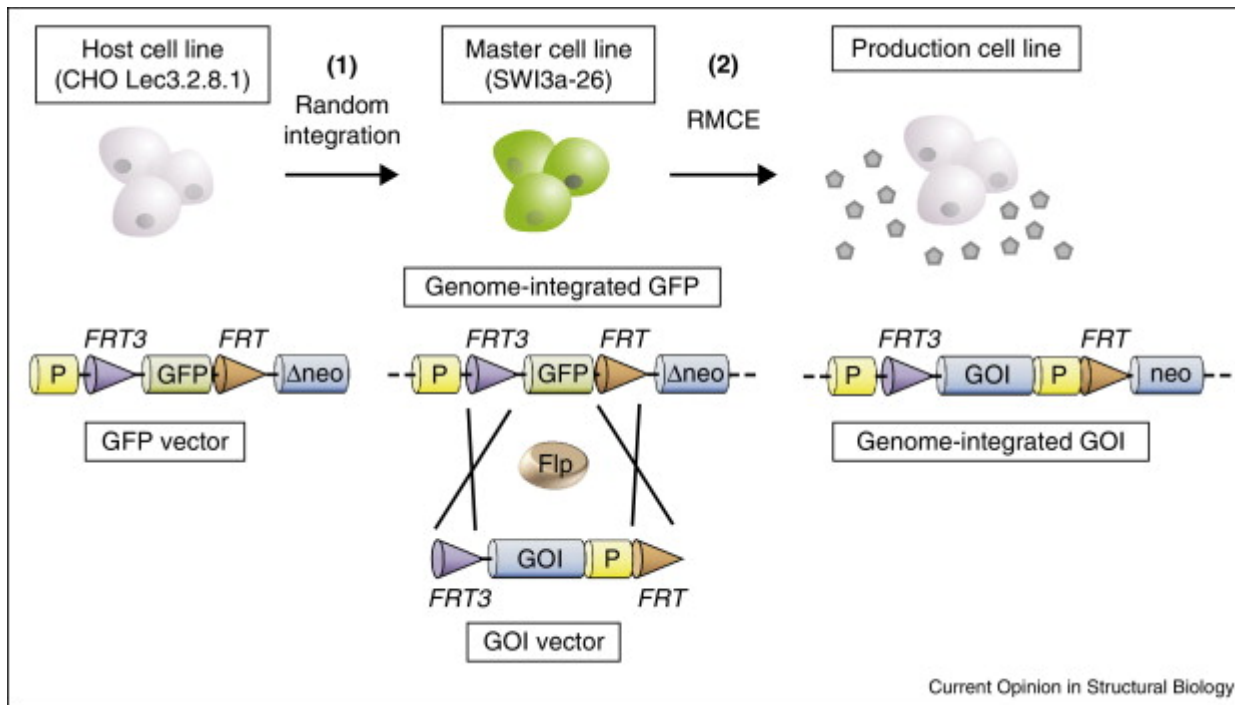
DNA Editing tools: Zinc-Fingers, Talen, CRISPR-Cas9

Recombinase Mediated Cassette Exchange (RMCE, Flp-IN)

Isogenic Expression Cell Lines

Master cell line containing a pair of genome integrated FRT sites (+ a GFP marker)

The FRT sites are used to replace the GFP gene by the GOI leading to a Genome-integrated GOI
- Reaction catalyzed by the FTR recombinase - **Targeted integration**

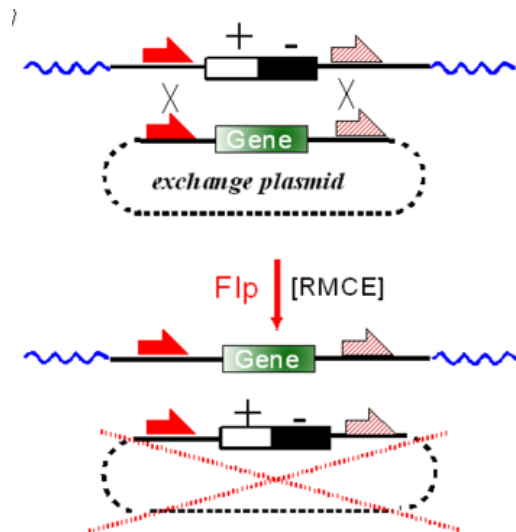
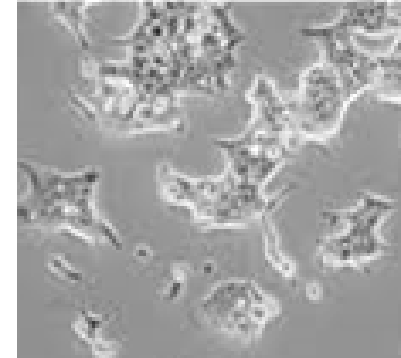


Recombinase Mediated Cassette Exchange (RMCE, Flp-IN)

Isogenic Expression Cell Lines

Targeted integration

FRT sites (master cell line and transfer vector), recombinase



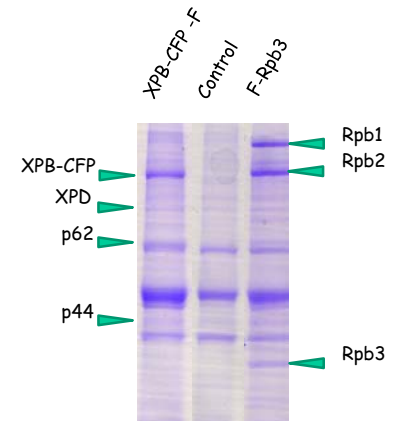
Clone the gene in pcDNA5FRT (1 week)

Transfection of HEK293 Flp-In cells and
Hygromycin selection (3-4 weeks)
with pOG44 and pcDNA5FRT,

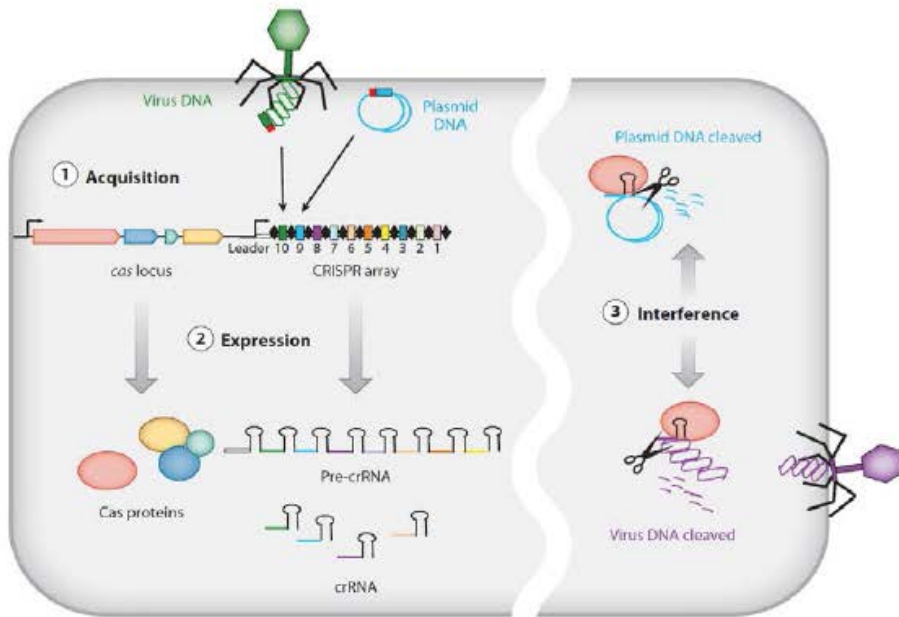
Establishment of a clonal population by limit
dilution (3-4 weeks)

Clones screening by Western Blot (1-2 weeks)

Amplification of selected clones for first
biochemical characterization (1-2 weeks)



CrispR-Cas 9 genome editing



Mechanism of adaptive immunity in bacteria and archaea

Evolved to adapt and defend against foreign genetic material (i.e., phage, horizontal gene transfer, etc.)

CRISPR: Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats

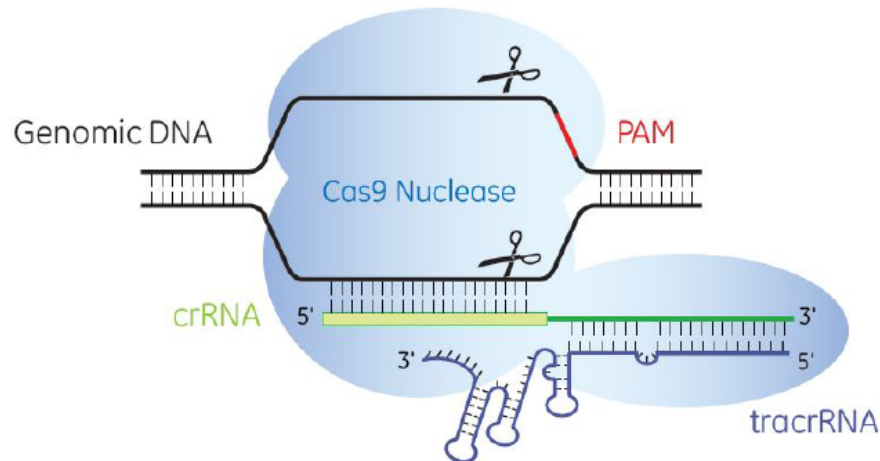
Cas: CRISPR-associated proteins

Bhaya et al., *Annu. Rev. Genet.* **45**, 273-97 (2011)



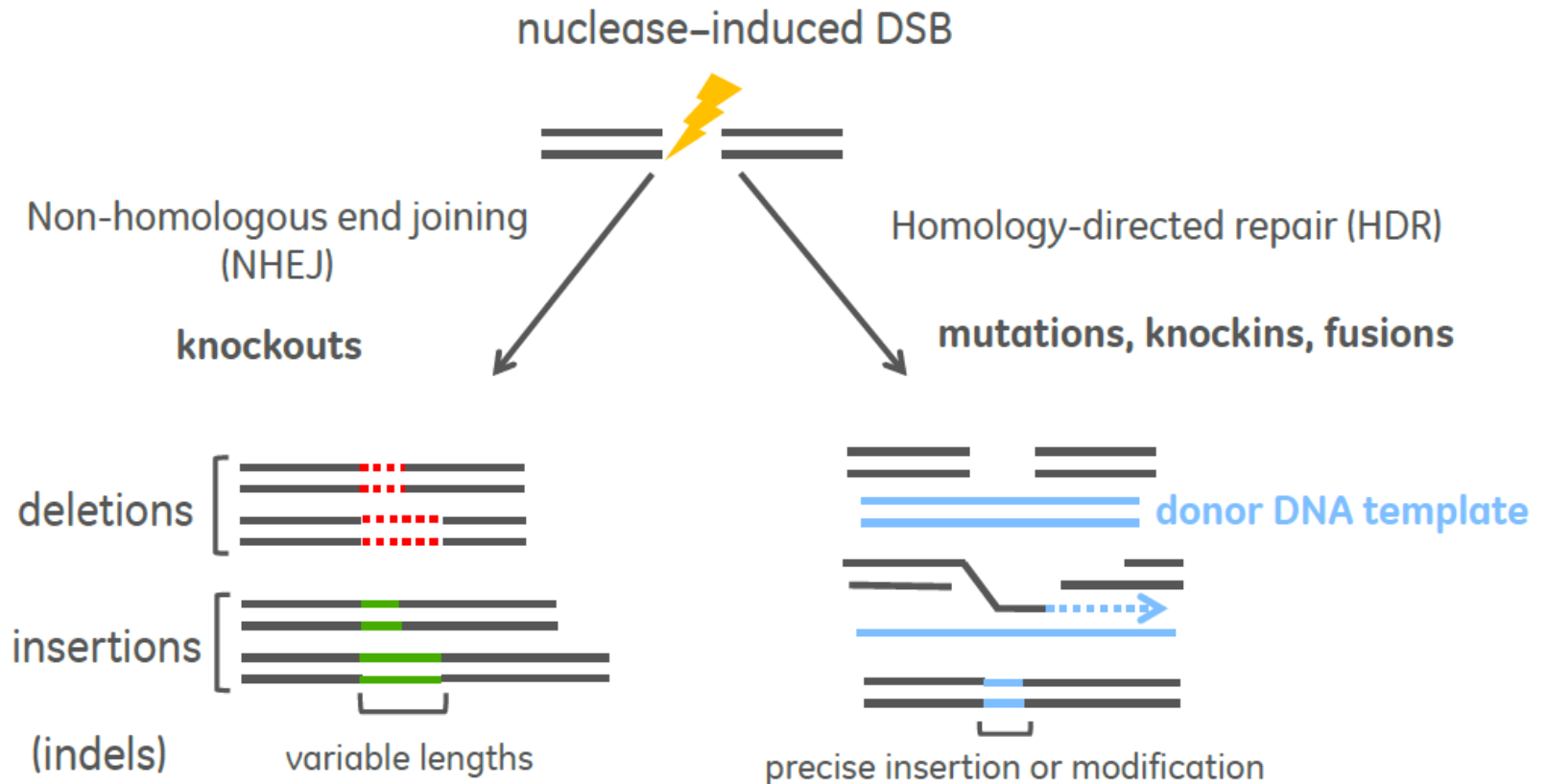
Required components for CRISPR-Cas9 gene knockout

1. **Cas9 Nuclease** – creates double-strand break
2. **Guide RNA** – recruits Cas9 and directs target cleavage

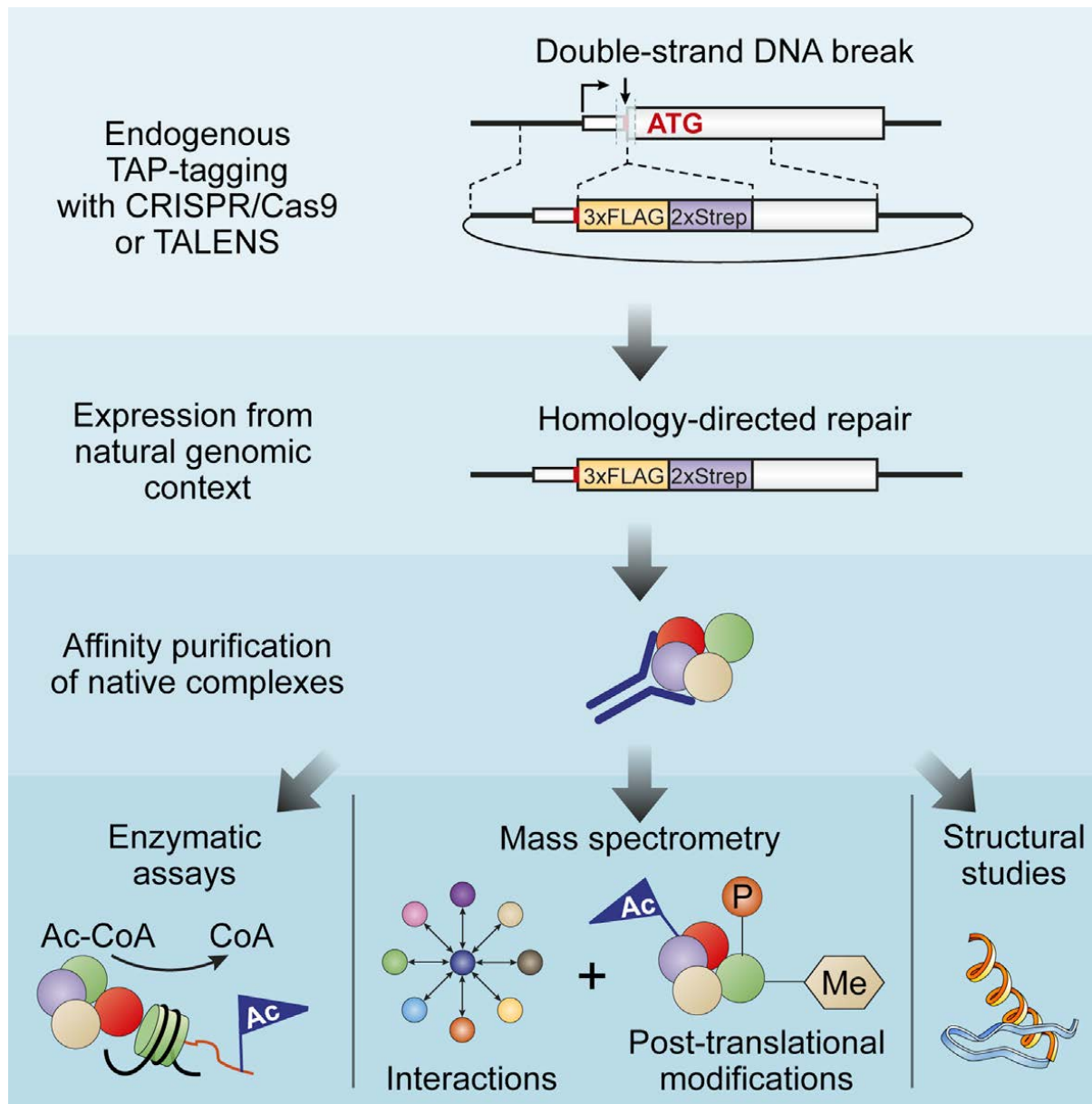


- **crRNA** – synthetic RNA comprising 20 nt target-specific sequence and fixed *S. pyogenes* repeat sequence
 - High-throughput synthesis to enable arrayed screening
- **tracrRNA** – Long synthetic RNA which hybridizes with crRNA

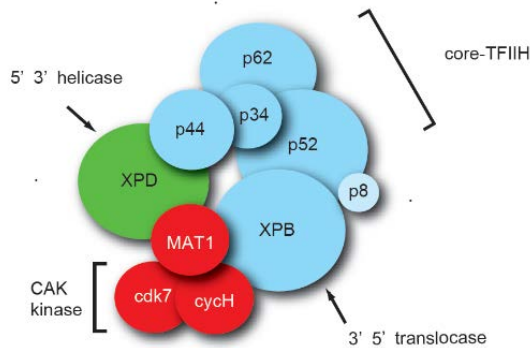
Editing by repair of double-strand breaks (DSB)



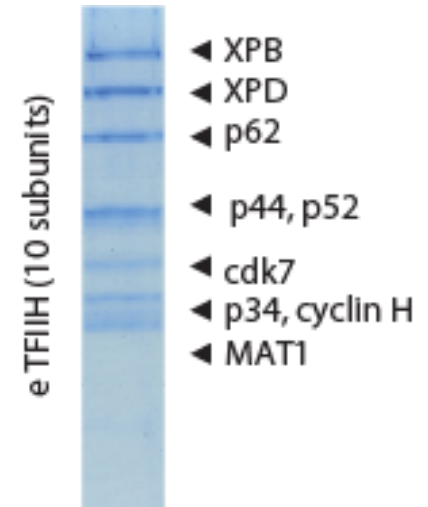
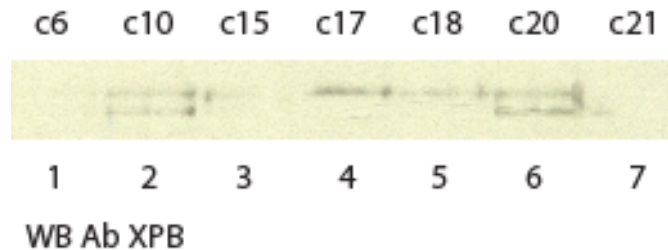
Donor DNA template : a double stranded DNA fragment or a single stranded DNA



Two step purification from XPB-Flag KI cells



KI K562 XPB-3Flag



- Detailed analysis of the complex and its composition
- Endogenous sample as comparison
- Large scale production when the complex
- High resolution and live cell imaging

Preparation and characterisation of Eukaryotic macromolecular complexes

Contribution of the baculovirus expression system for reconstitution of multiprotein complexes and dissection of the protein-protein interaction network

Potential inputs from genome engineering approaches for labelling mammalian proteins to facilitate isolation of endogenous complexes and their characterization in a cellular environment