

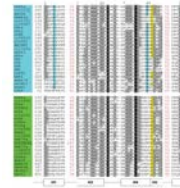
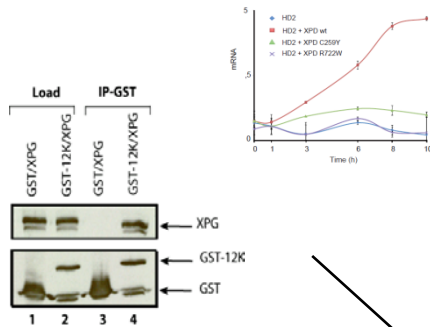
Sample preparation for structural studies

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Functional
characterization

Cellular imaging

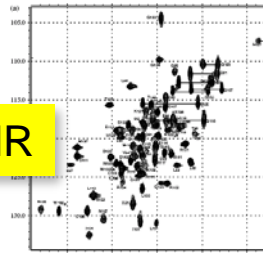
Bio computing



Partner
identification

Cryo-EM

NMR



Domain/Orthologs
identification

Targets

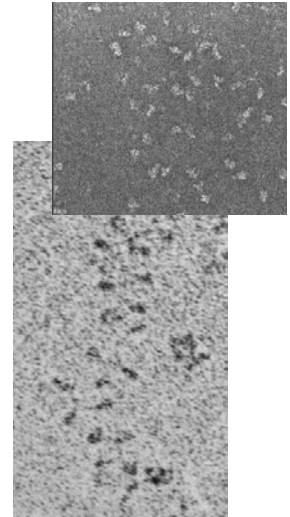
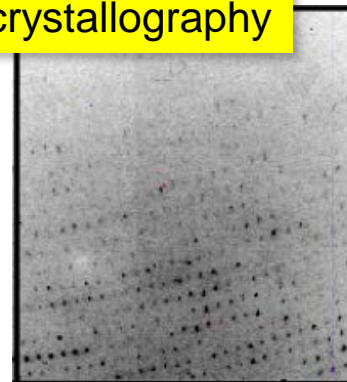
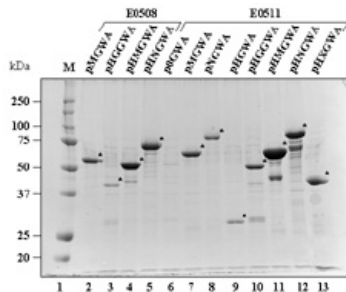
Production

QC & Biophysical
characterization

X ray
crystallography

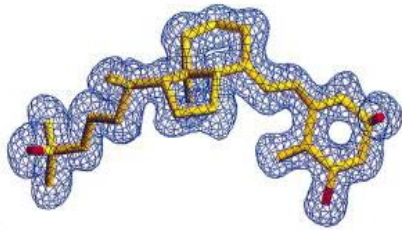
Modelling

Structure/ function
Analysis
Drug design



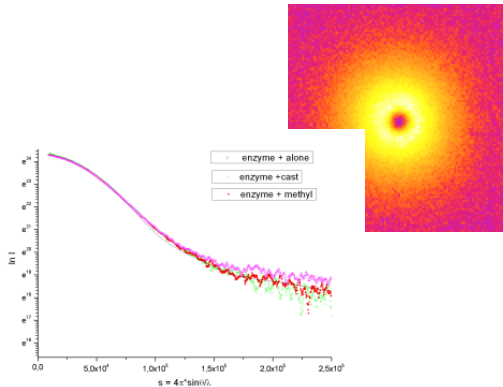
Sample requirements

X-ray diffraction, SAXS



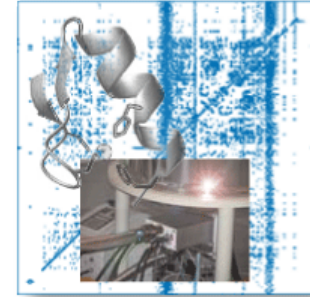
crystallization # 1-10 mg/ml, 100 μ l

SAXS, SANS # 1-10 mg/ml, 50 μ l

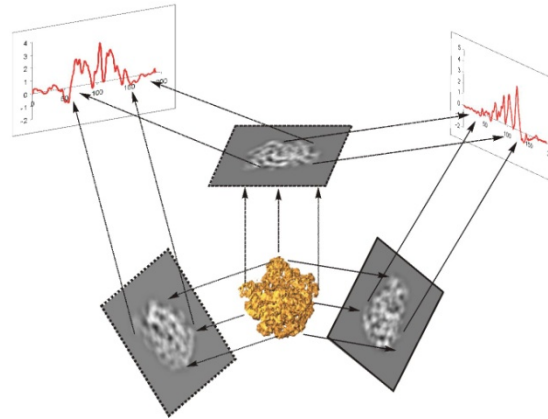


NMR

NMR # 100 μ M-2mM, 500 μ l



Electron Microscopy



Un-supported cryo: # 0.5 mg/ml, 5 μ l/assay

Supported cryo, neg staining: # 50 μ g/ml, 5 μ l/assay

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

Advantages – Protein solubility, post-translational modifications

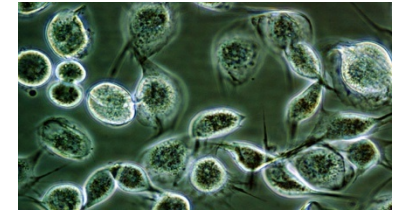
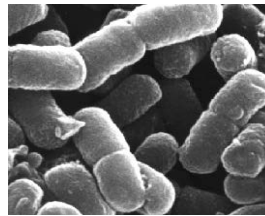
Disadvantages – Expensive, low yield, proteases, time consuming

Recombinant expression

Prokaryotic

E. coli,
B. subtilis

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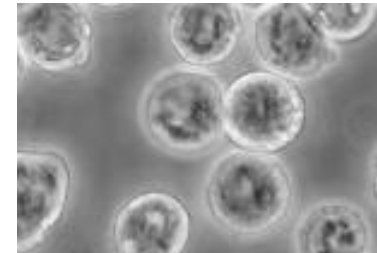


Eukaryotic

Yeast

Insect cells

Mammalian



Cell free systems:

E. coli

Wheat germ,

Insect

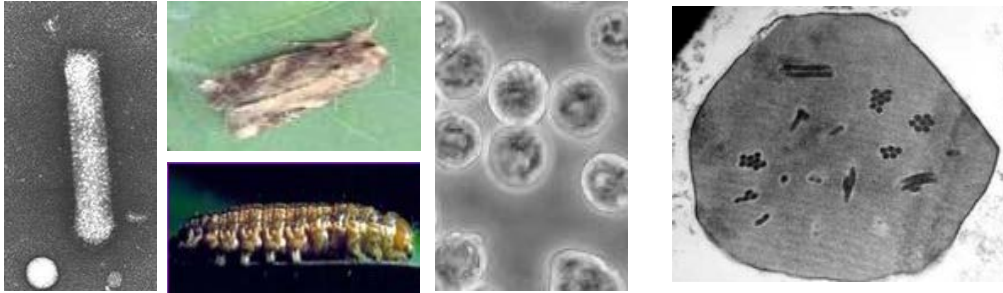
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Recombinant protein expression for structural biology:
Insights into the baculovirus expression system

Co-expression for reconstitution of multiprotein complexes
and dissection of the protein-protein interaction network

In vivo approaches for labelling mammalian proteins to
facilitate isolation of endogenous complexes and their
characterization in a cellular environment

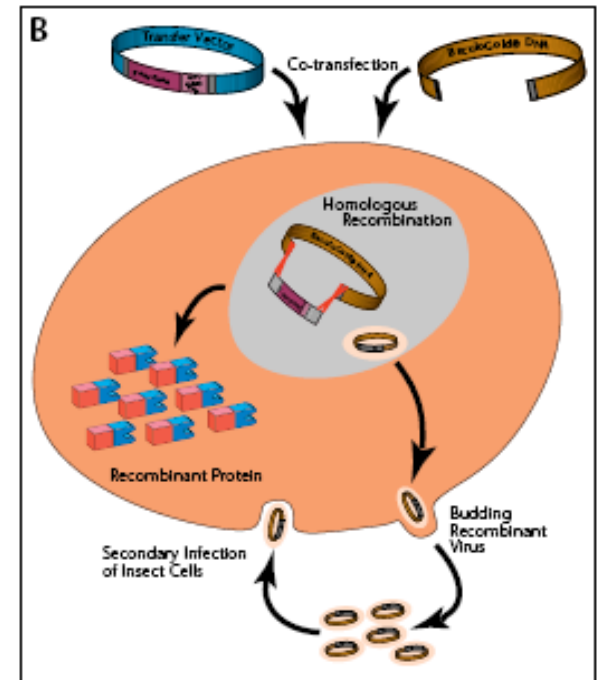
Principle: use strong late viral promoters non essential for virus replication in a cellular system



Rod-shaped, $d = 40-50 \text{ nm}$, $l = 200-400 \text{ nm}$
Double-stranded DNA virus (135 kb)
Virions occluded in a polyhedrin (PH) matrix*

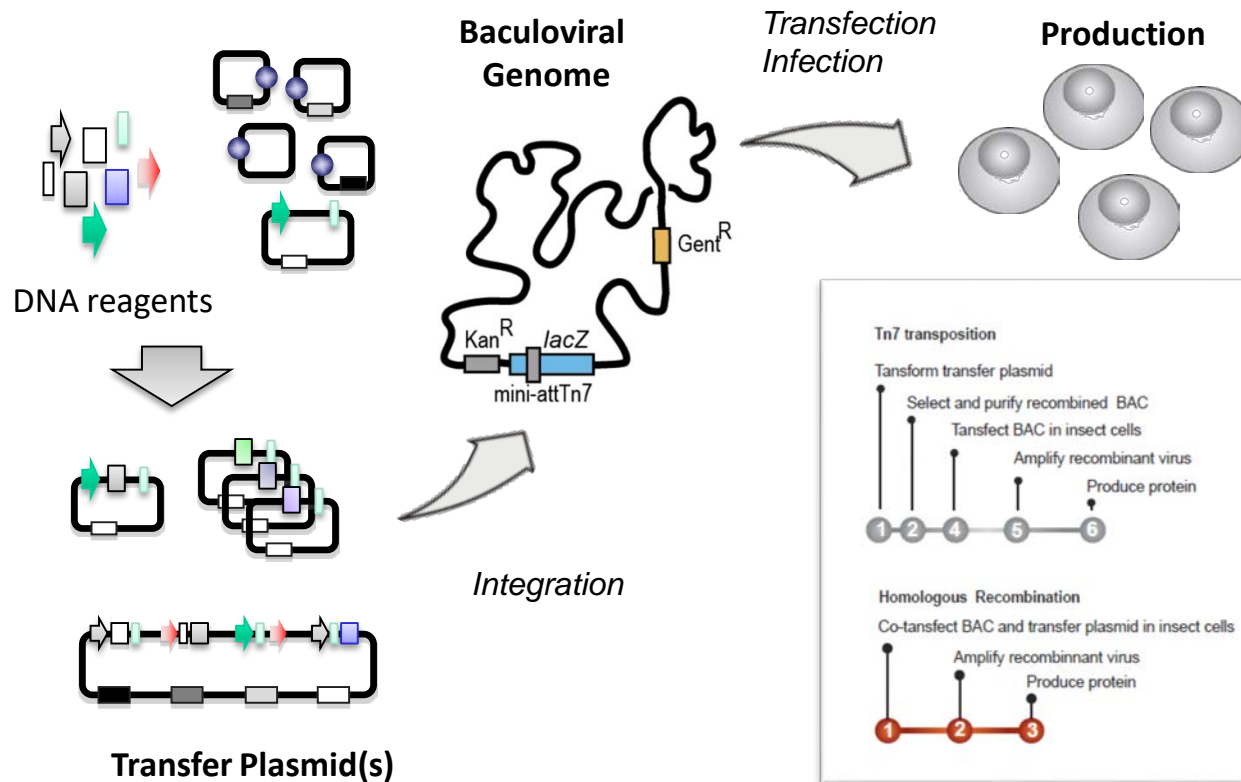
Replace polyhedrin (PH) coding seq. with GOI
Strong promoters (PH, P10)
Protein expression 36-48 h post-infection

Cell lines grow well in suspension (27°C , in Phosphate buffered medium, no CO_2)
Baculoviruses have a restricted host range and are safe to manipulate
High levels of heterologous expression, production of toxic proteins



* non required for replication in a cellular system

An expression flowchart for BV expression



What is needed to express a protein ?

The expression unit

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

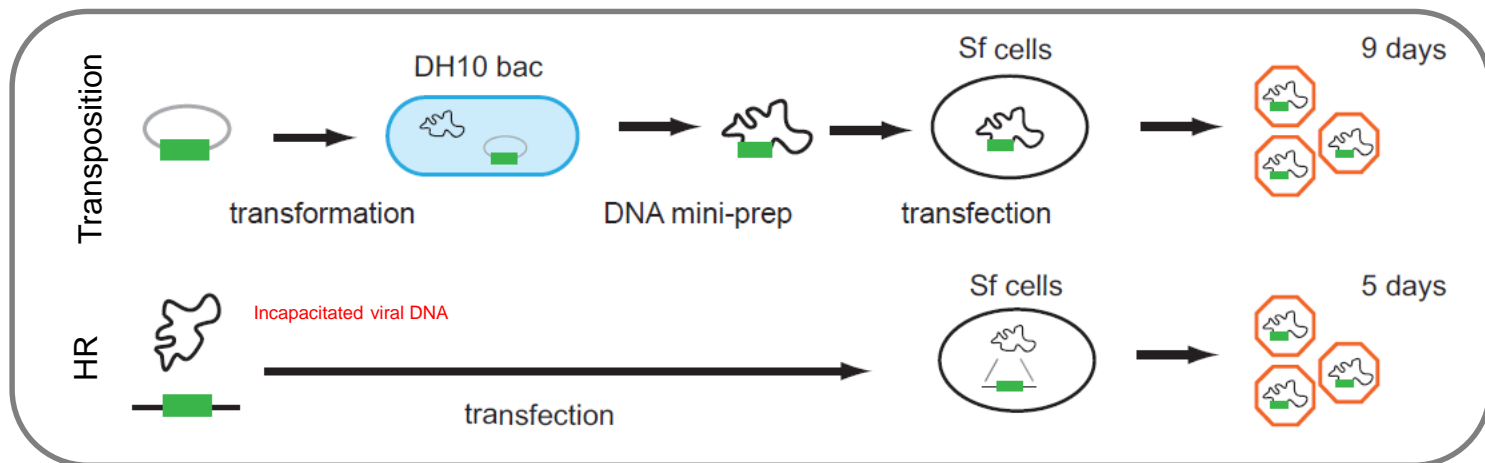
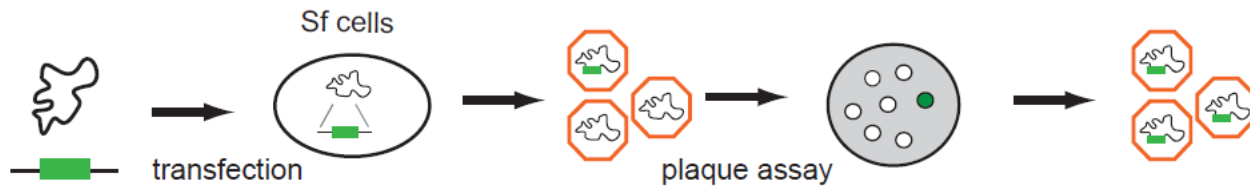


On both sides, elements that will allow the integration of the expression unit(s) into the viral genome:

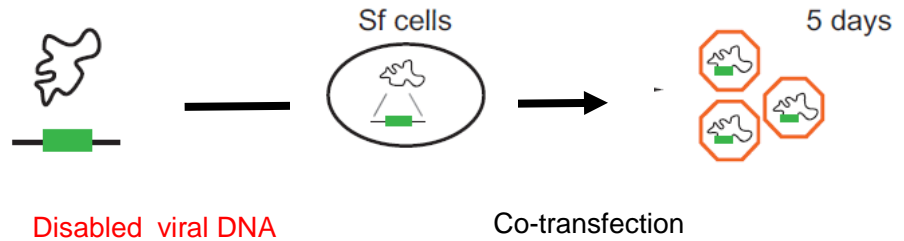
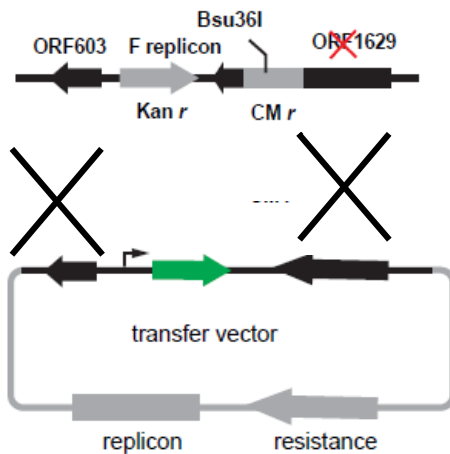
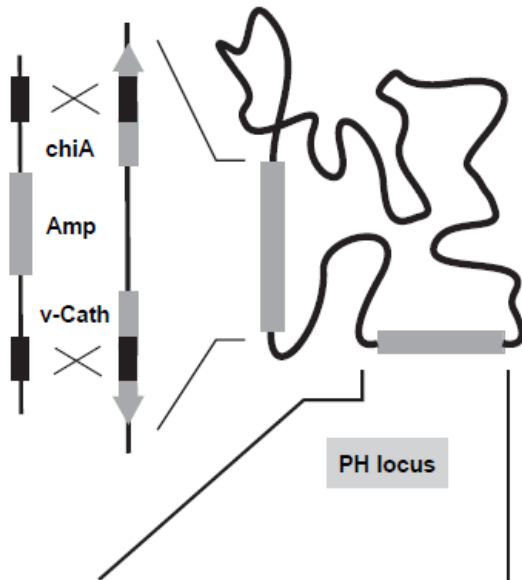
- Either segment from viral genome for homologous recombination in insect cells between the transfert vector and the viral DNA
- Or transposons (Tn7L and Tn7R) recombination sites (LoxP) when a bacmid is to be used

Transposition vs Homologous recombination

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



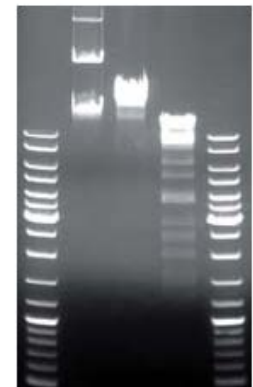
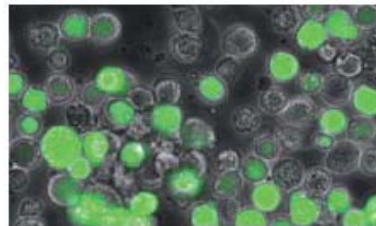
Homologous recombination in insect cells with disabled viral genome



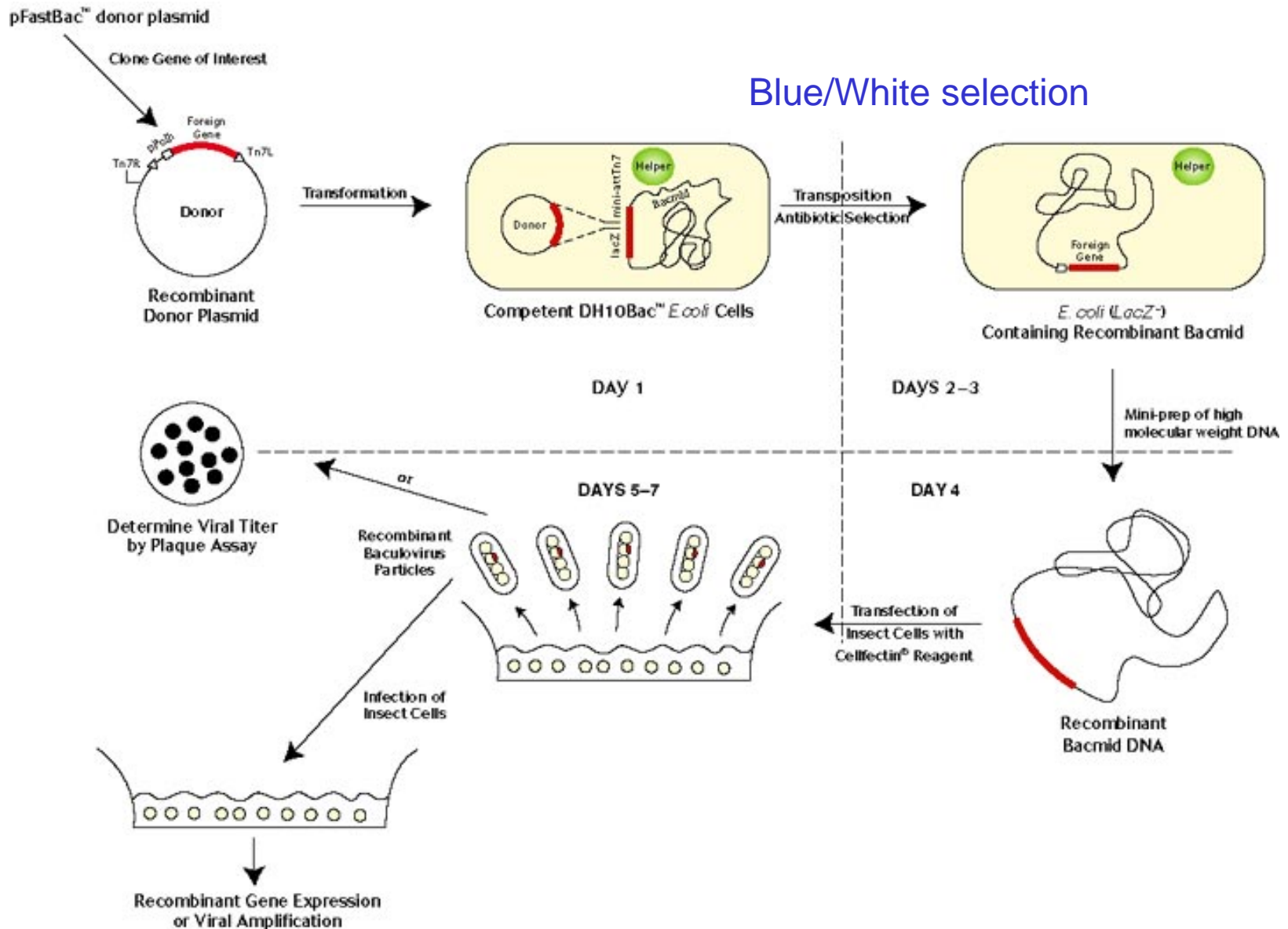
Viable genome can only be formed if the truncation is bridged and repaired by recombination with a suitable transfer vector.

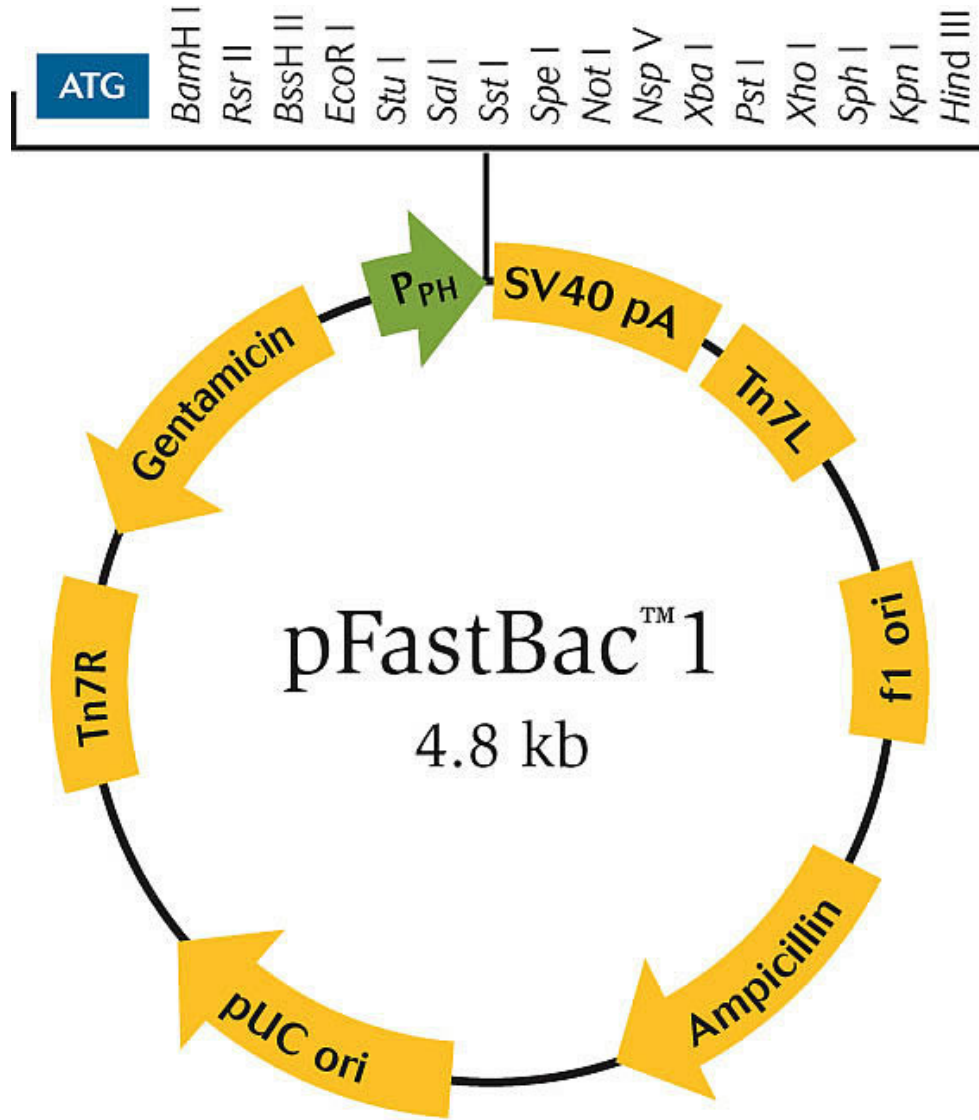
Recombination inserts the foreign gene (GFP) into the viral DNA, restores the deleted gene, allowing virus replication.

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



Transposition in E. Coli



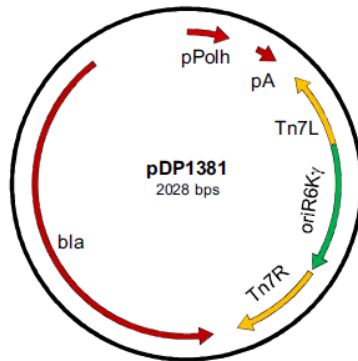
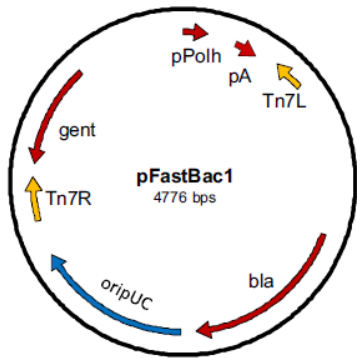


B2F vs B2B

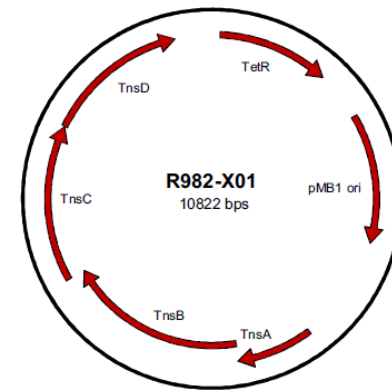
1/ Low transposition efficiency: transposition into the E. coli genome and sub-optimal transposition system

2/ Bacmid preparation contaminated with transfer vector DNA

Bac to the Future

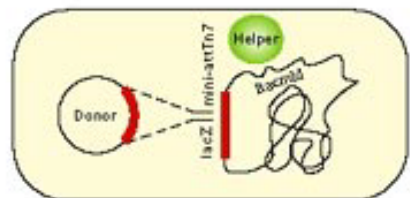


New baculovirus expression vectors: single antibiotic, conditional replication origin (oriR6Kγ)



New helper plasmid Tn7 transposase delivery vector

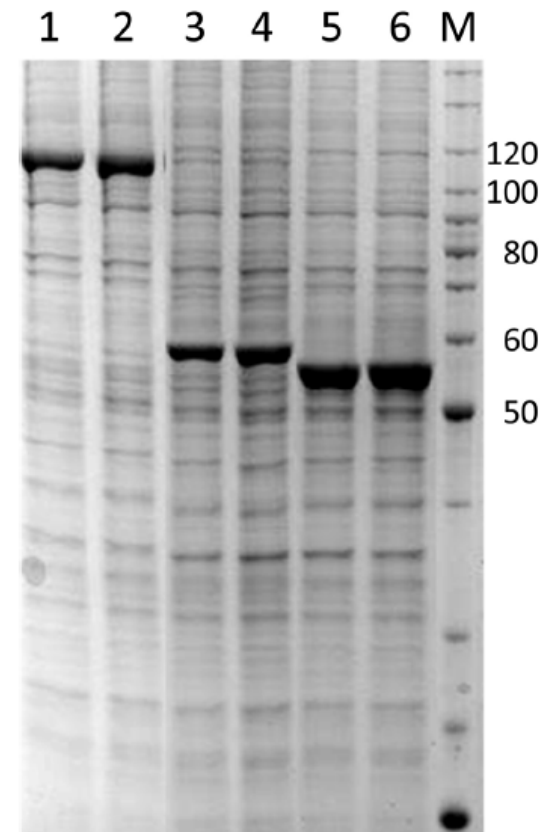
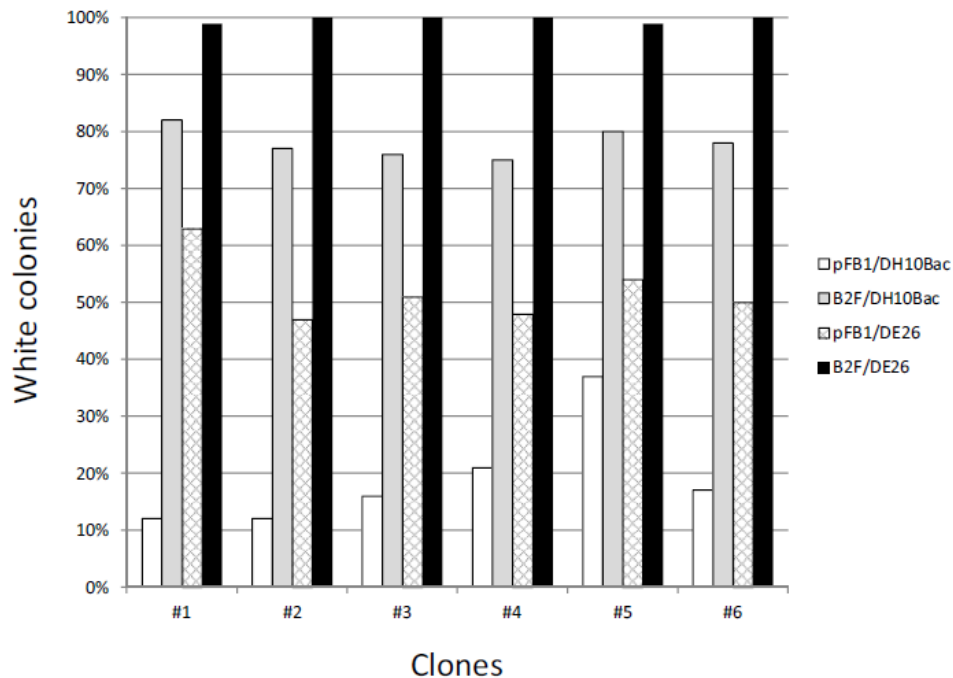
New E coli strain (chromosomal Tn7 site inactivated) that replaces the DH10 Bac: DE26



B2F vs B2B

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)



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

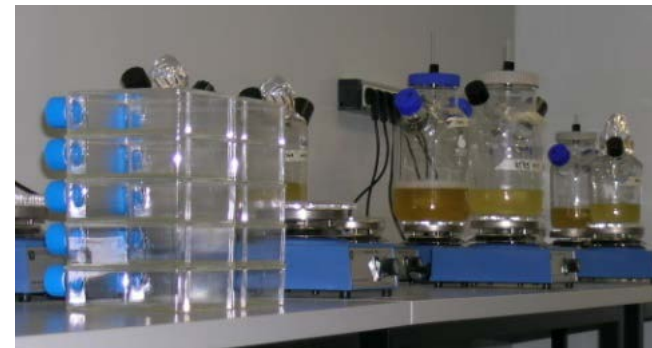
- cell line/media of choice:

Sf9, Sf21, H5

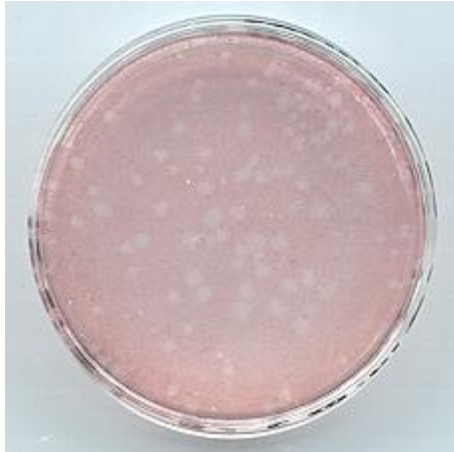
with or without serum



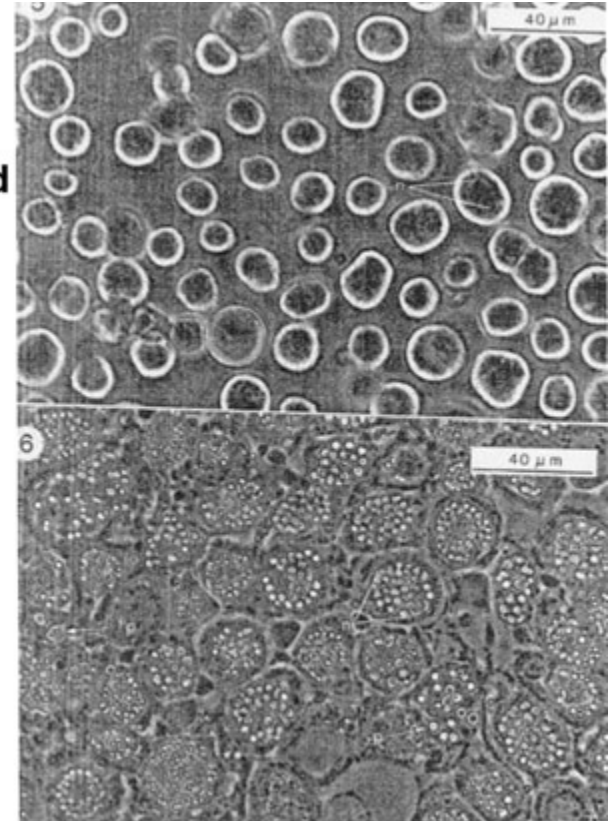
Scale: from 3 ml to several L



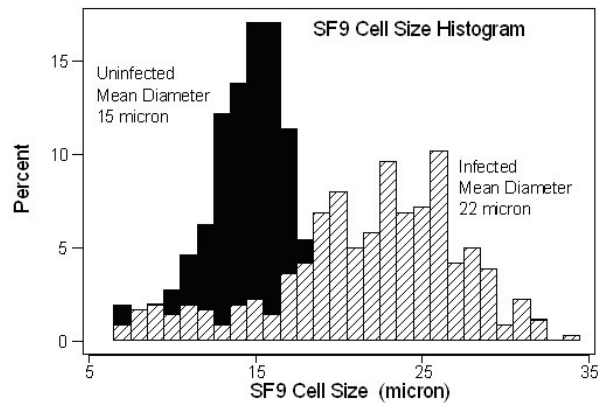
Amplification and production



Sf9 non-infected



Sf9 infected



Infected cells: stop dividing and swell

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

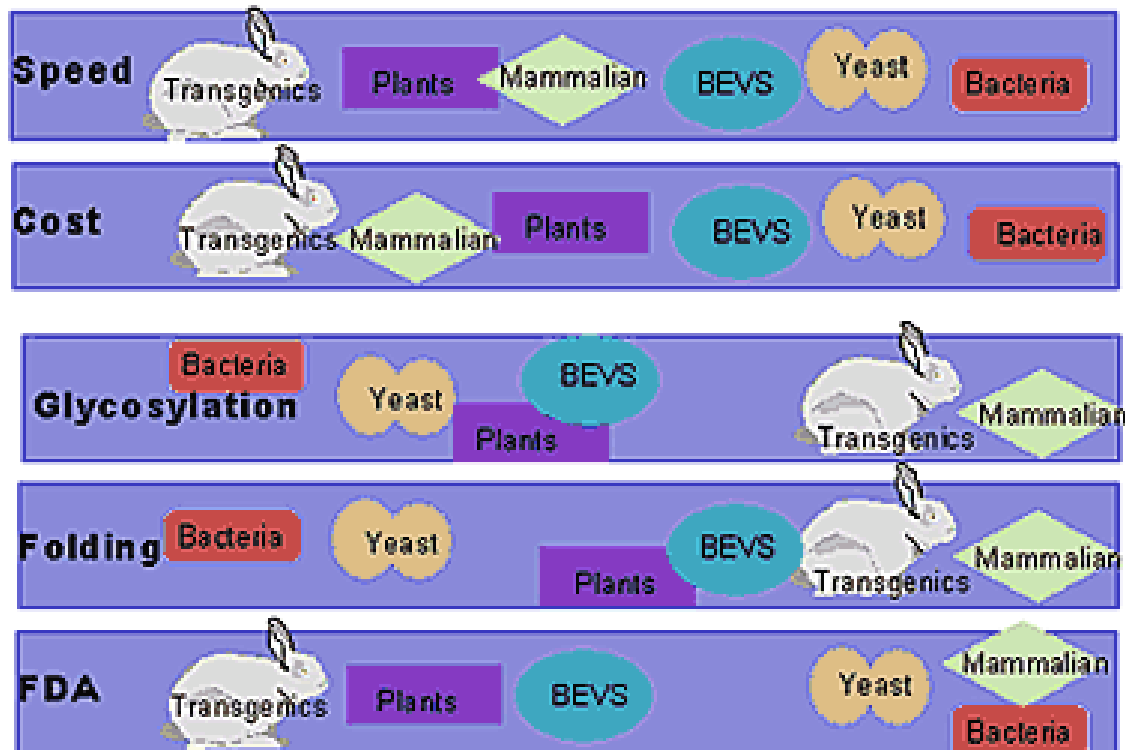
Prepare a high titer virus stock $<10^8$ pfu/ml

Optimization of the expression conditions and large scale production



WORST

BEST



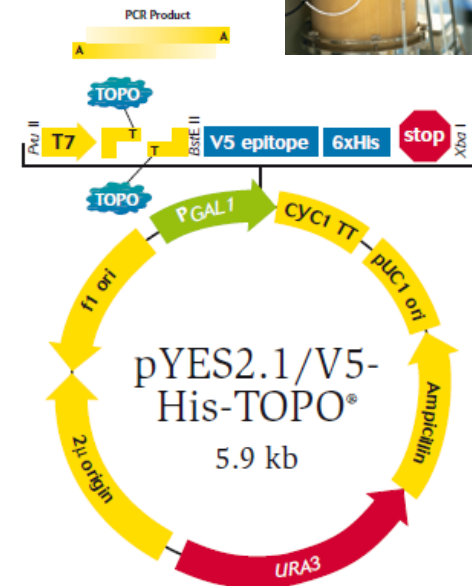
Yeast expression

Sacharomyces, Scizosacchromyces pombe, Pichia pastoris and *Hansanuela polymorpha*:

Expression of recombinant proteins in *S. cerevisiae* can be done using three types of vectors: integration vectors (YIp), episomal plasmids (YEpl), and centromeric plasmids (YCp).

pYES2 is a 5.9 kb YE_p vector designed for inducible expression of recombinant proteins in *sc*. Features of the vectors allow easy cloning of your gene of interest and selection of transformants by uracil prototrophy .

- Yeast *GAL1* promoter for high level inducible protein expression in yeast by galactose and repression by glucose
- A versatile multiple cloning site for simplified cloning
- *CYC1* transcriptional terminator for efficient termination of mRNA
- *URA3* gene for selection of transformants in yeast host strains with a *ura3* genotype
- Ampicillin resistance gene for selection in *E. coli*

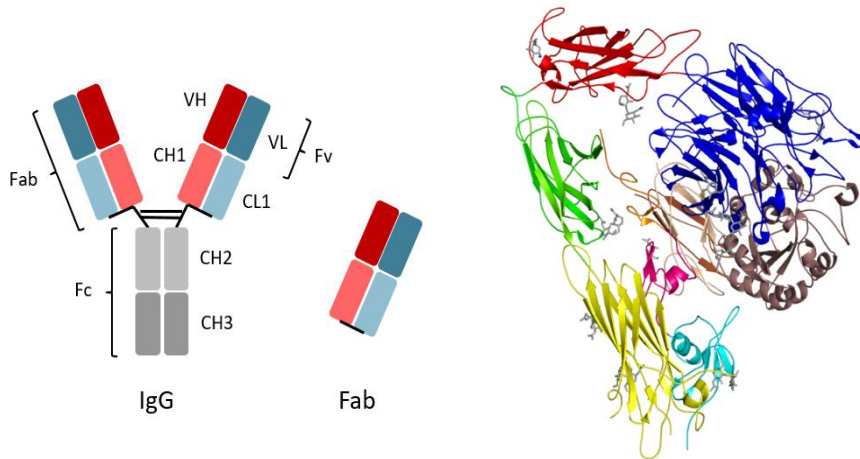


Mammalian expression adapted for production of extracellular and secreted proteins

Antibodies and derivatives
Large extracellular domains

Modular multi-domain organisation
Posttranslational modifications

- Disulfide bridges
- Glycosylation

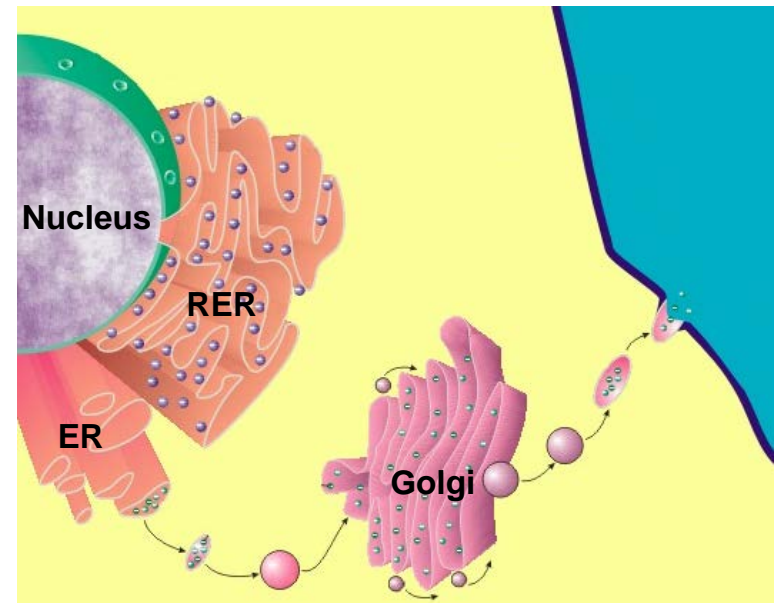


S-S formation (ER)

Glycosylation (ER+Golgi)

Quality control (ER)

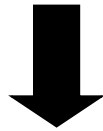
Only correctly folded proteins are secreted



POST-TRANSLATIONAL MODIFICATIONS

GLYCOSYLATION

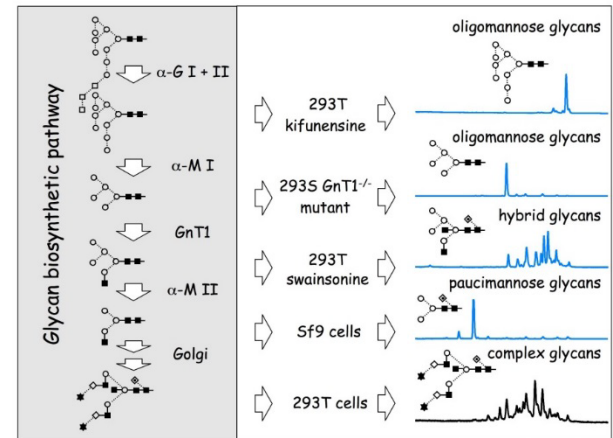
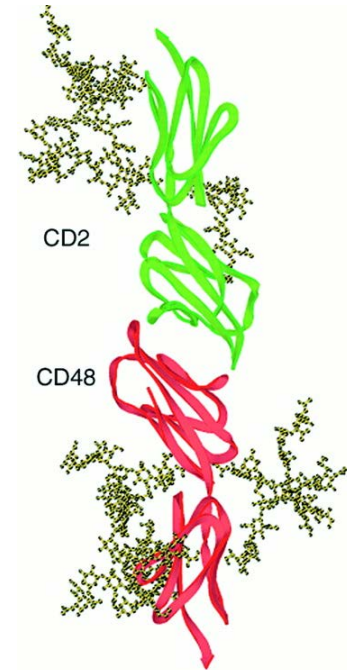
- Mammalian sugar chains have highly complex structures
- Good for functional studies
- Big problem for protein crystallization



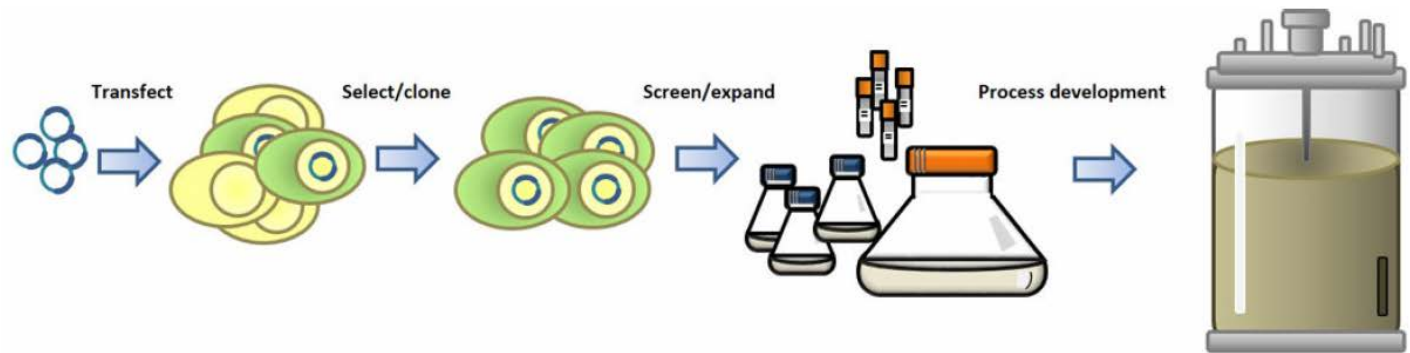
SOLUTIONS

- Mutagenesis of glycosylation sites
- Enzymatic deglycosylation
- Engineered cell lines (CHO Lec strains)
- Chemical inhibitors of glycosylation pathway
- Insect cells (simpler sugars)

(oxford)



Timelines for mammalian expression



Standard Integration/
Selection



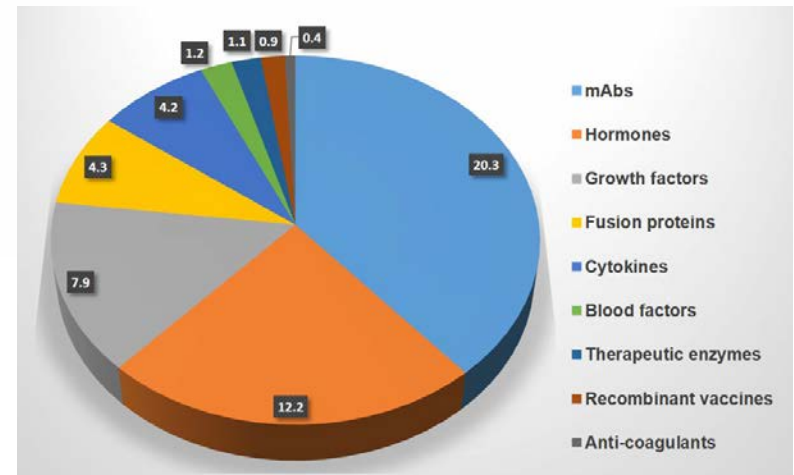
Transient Gene Expression



Site specific integration
(RMCE)

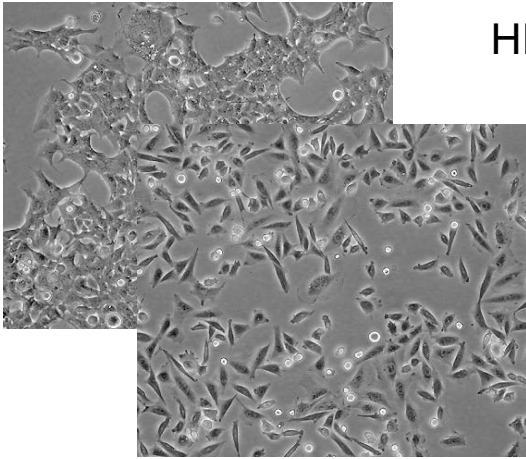


Viral Expression
(Vaccinia, Lentiviruses,...)



US Top Sales Biologics

Mammalian expression



HEK 293: Human embryonic kidney cells

CHO: Chinese Hamster Ovary cells



Most mammalian cells are adherent
Cultured in plates or flasks (suspension)
Grow in monolayer on specially treated surfaces
Medium supplemented with 5-10% Fetal Calf Serum
Laminar flow cabinet, CO₂ incubator

Large scale transfection with PEI

DNA can be introduced into a host cell by transfection with polyethylenimine (PEI), a stable cationic polymer (Boussif et al., 1995). **PEI condenses DNA into positively charged particles that bind to anionic cell surfaces.** Consequently, the DNA:PEI complex is endocytosed by the cells and the DNA released into the cytoplasm (Sonawane et al., 2003).

Step 2.1: Prepare suspension cells for the large scale transfection

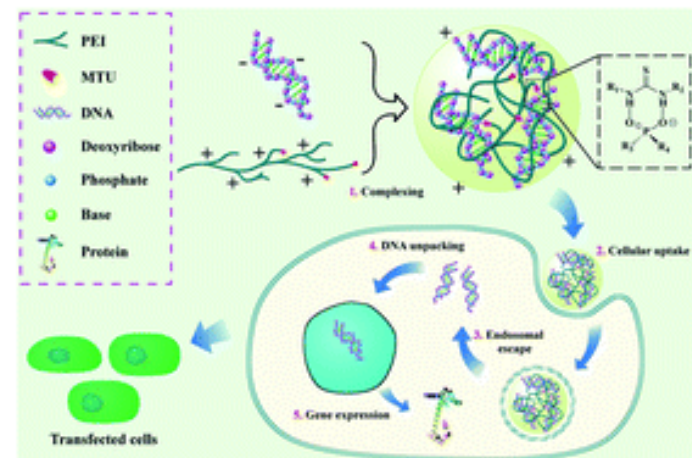
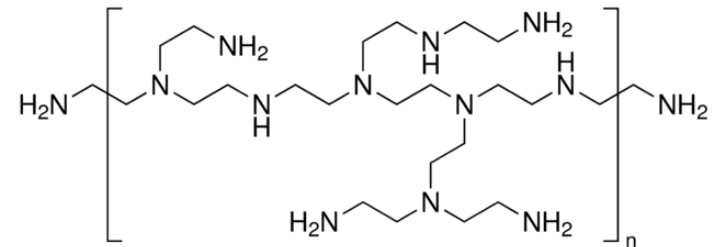
2.1.1 Grow 400 ml of suspension cells to a density of $2-3 \times 10^6$ cells/ml

2.1.2-2.1.3 Transfer cells to sterile centrifuge bottles
Centrifuge at $200 \times g$, 5 min, room temperature
Aspirate the supernatant

2.1.4-2.1.5 Add 25 ml of the appropriate suspension growth medium
Resuspend cells using a serological pipette

2.1.6 Add cell suspension to 335 ml of suspension growth medium
in a sterile square bottle

2.1.7-2.1.8 Place cells in a 37°C , $8\% \text{CO}_2$ shaking incubator,
with shaking at 130 rpm
Do not completely tighten the cap



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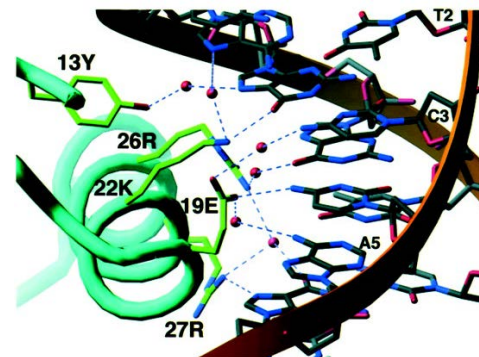
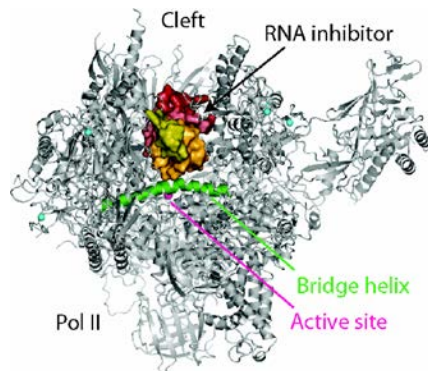
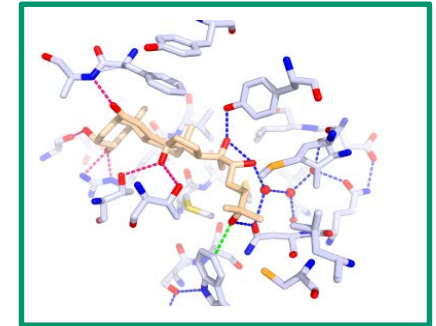
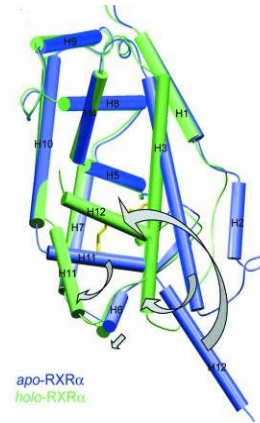
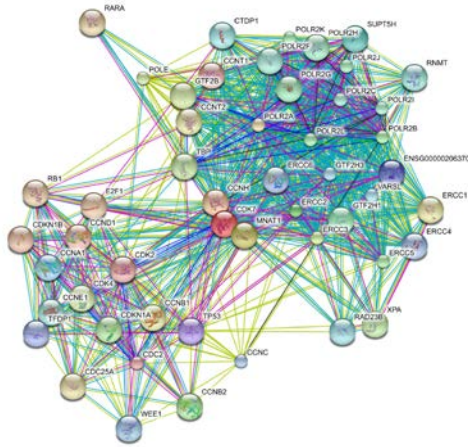
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Genome engineering for labelling mammalian proteins to
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Most proteins do not function as isolated particules.....

.... but interact with partners to fullfill their fonction.

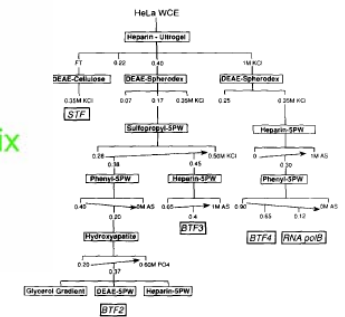
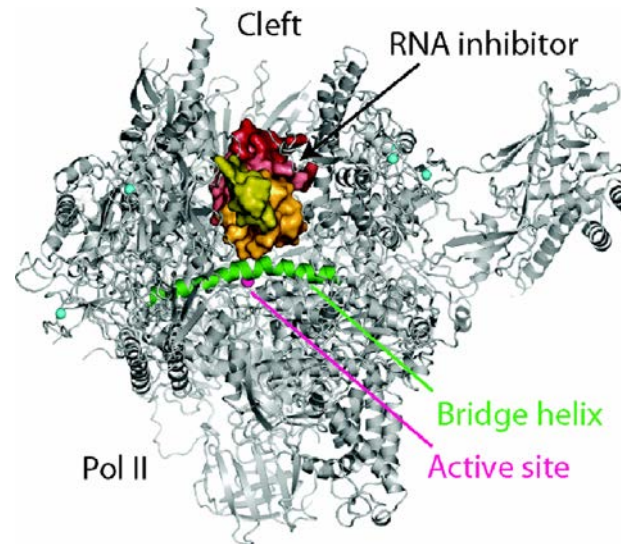


Types of complexes

Non obligate and obligate

Subunits exist independantly

Subunits are not found as stable structures in vivo

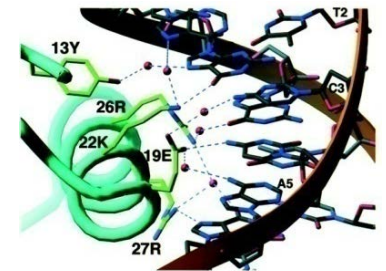


Life-time of complexes

Transient interactions: associate and dissociate in vivo

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

Permanent interactions: subunits only exist in complexed state. The complex can be purified



Weak

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

Intermediate

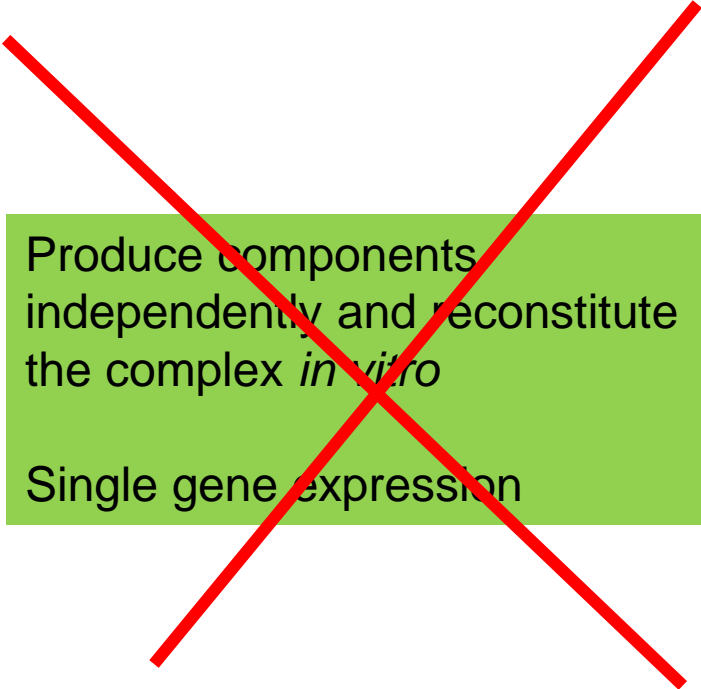
$$K_d \mu M - nM$$

Strong

K_d nM-fM

Implications for production

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

Strategies for production of multi-protein complexes

Separate expression of subunits
purify and mix; mix and purify

E. coli

Co-transformation with several
single promoter plasmids

Transformation with multigene
expression plasmid

BVES

Co-infection of insect cells by
several viruses

Infection with a multigene
expression virus

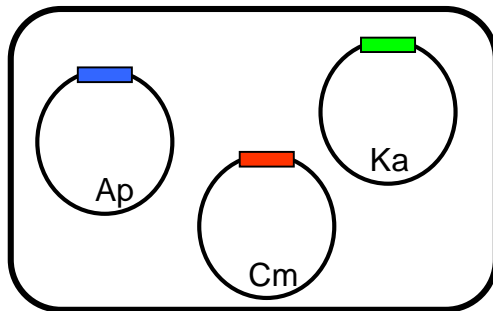
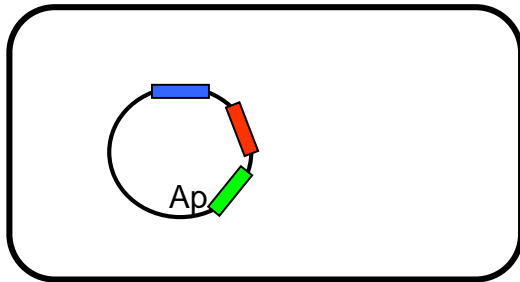
Co-expression in E. coli

Co-transformation with several expression vectors

different antibiotic resistances
(different origin of replication)

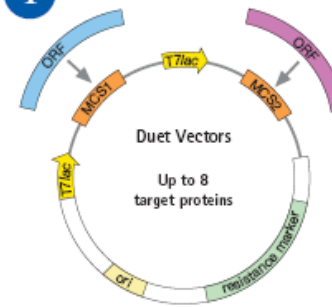
One expression vector with several genes under the control of

a single promoter
several promoters (e.g. each one having a single gene)

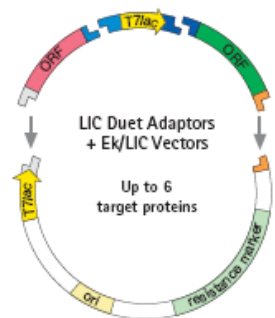


Restriction enzyme-mediated cloning

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Ligation-independent cloning



Coexpression of multiple proteins in one cell

2

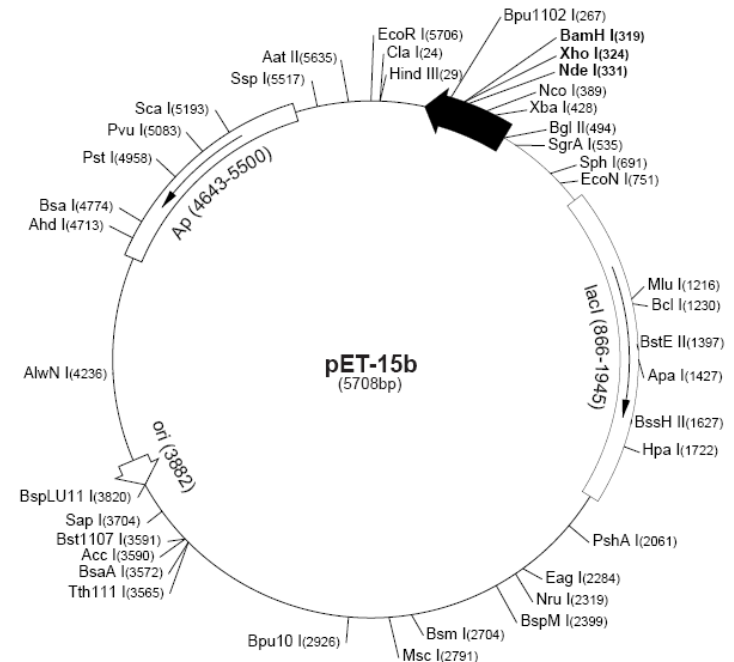
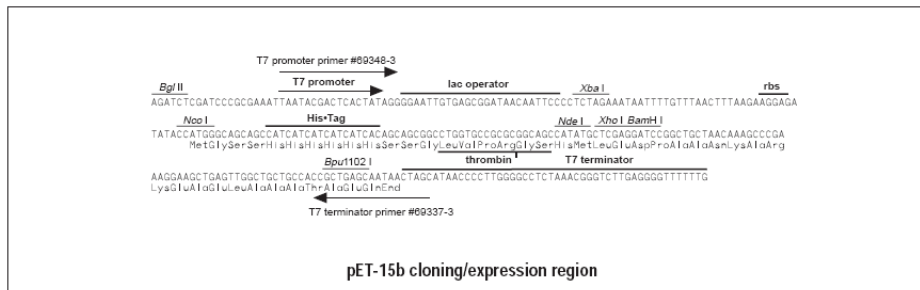
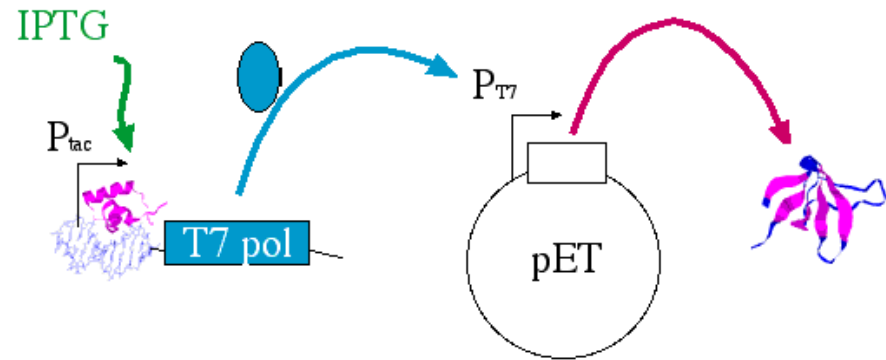


T7 based expression systems

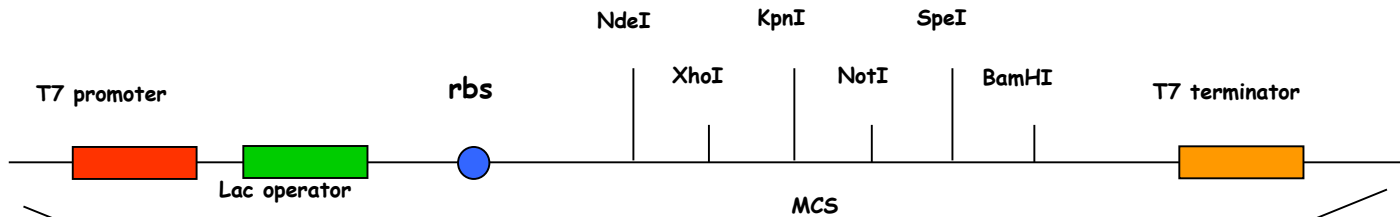
pET vectors

BL21 [DE3]
BL21 [DE3] pRARE
BL21 [DE3] pLysS
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IPTG induction
Auto-inducible medium



pACYC-11b



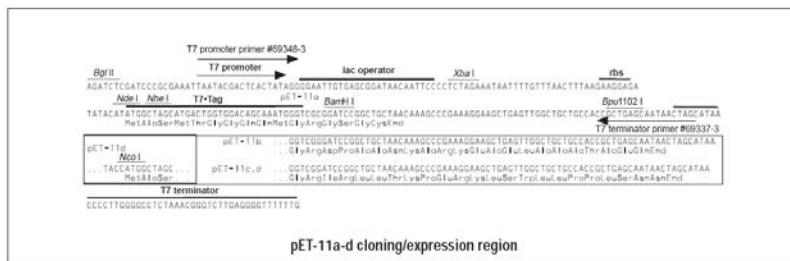
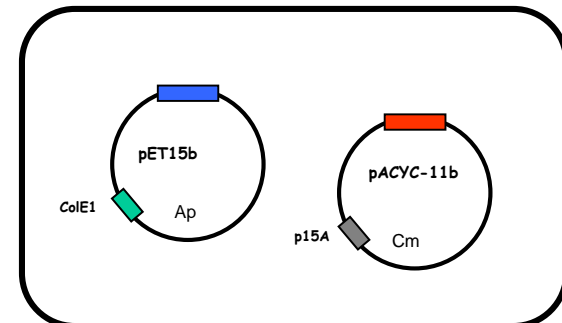
T7 expression cassette

**Co-transformation
and co-expression
with pET (or pGEX)
vectors**

p15A ori

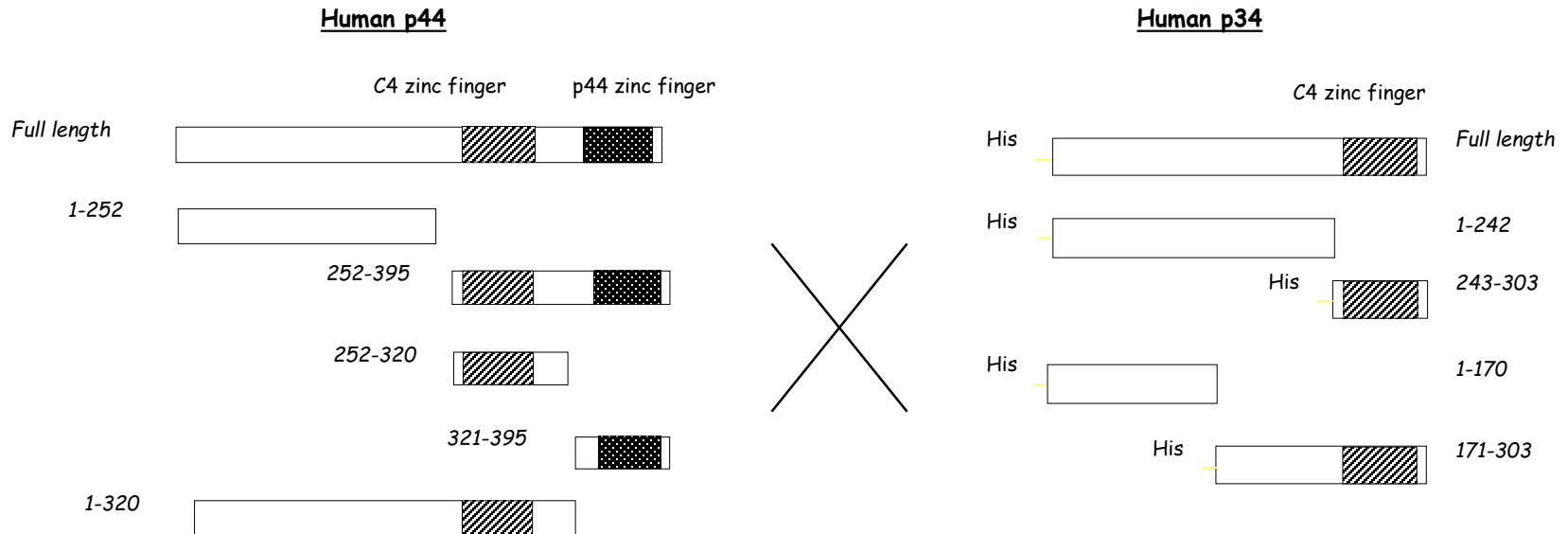
pACYC-11b

Chloramphenicol resistance

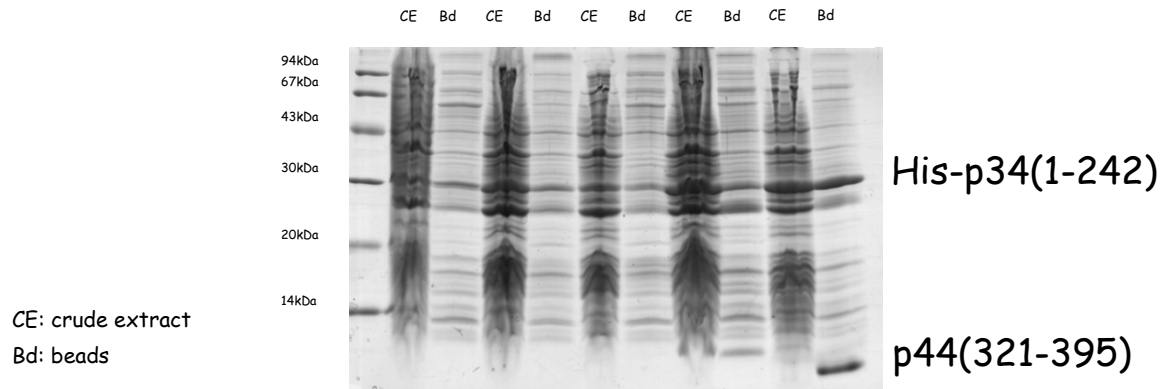


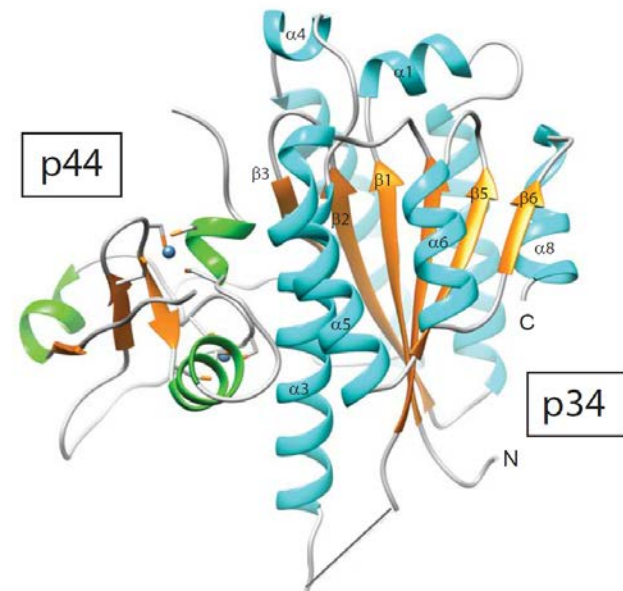
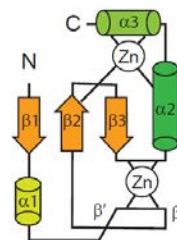
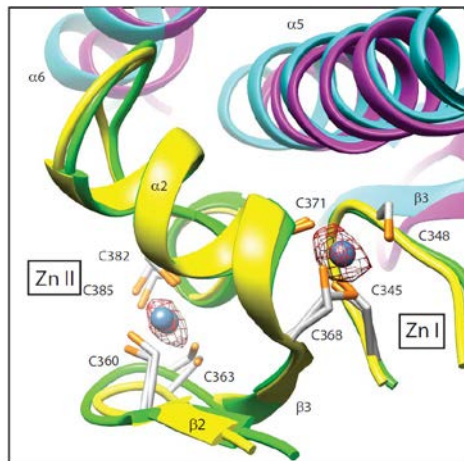
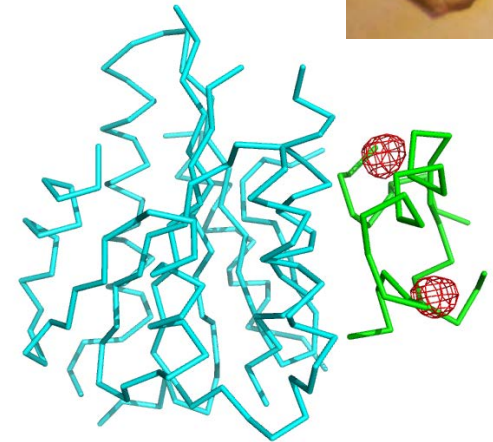
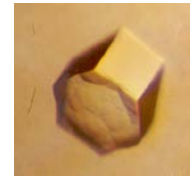
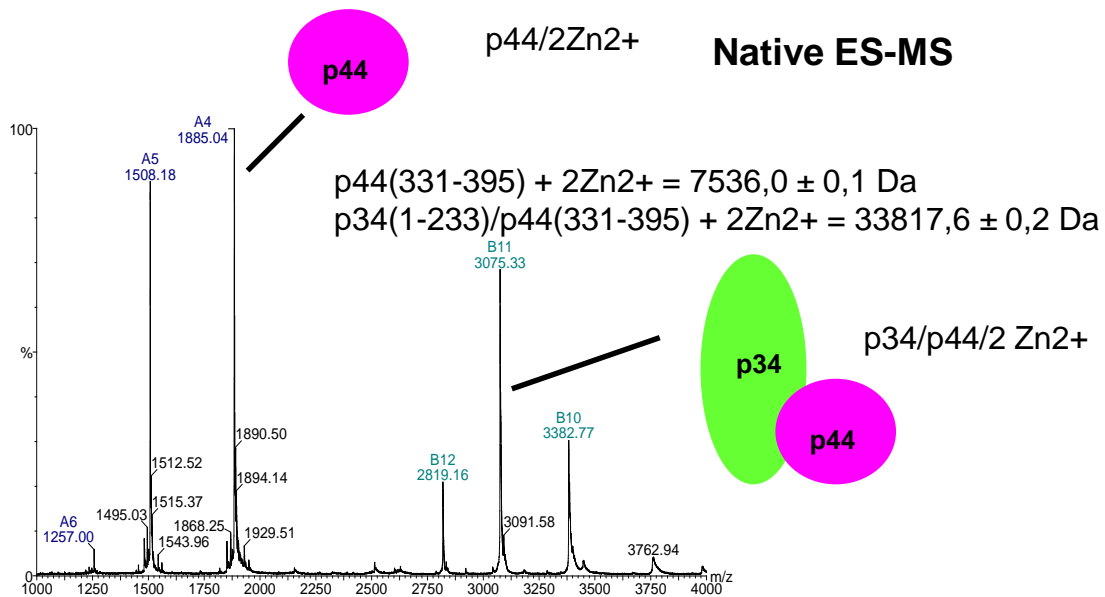
Dissection of p34-p44 Interaction by Coexpression

Aim: find a stable and soluble complex to set up crystallization trials



24 combinations were tested several times, only 1 gave a positive result





Radu et al. NAR 2017)

Troubleshooting: Improving expression of soluble proteins

No expression, accumulation of so-called inclusion bodies, or of incompletely synthesized proteins, degradation

Reducing the rate of protein synthesis.

Lowering the growth temperature (37 to 20). This decreases the rate of protein synthesis and usually more soluble protein is obtained.

Use of a weaker promoter (e.g. **tryptophan**, **arabinose** instead of **T7**), of a lower copy number plasmid, lowering the inducer concentration.

Changing the growth medium:

Addition of prosthetic groups or **co-factors** which are essential for proper folding or for protein stability.

Addition of buffer to control pH fluctuation in the medium during growth.

Addition of **1% glucose** to repress induction of the lac promoter by lactose, which is present in most rich media (such as LB, 2xYT).

Addition of **polyols (e.g. sorbitol) and sucrose**. The increase in osmotic pressure caused by these additions leads to the accumulation of osmoprotectants in the cell, which stabilize the native protein structure.

Troubleshooting: Improving expression of soluble proteins

Using specific host strains:

The solubility of disulfide bond containing protein can be increased by using a host strain with a more oxidizing cytoplasmic environment. Two strains are commercially available (Novagen):

AD494, which has a mutation in thioredoxin reductase (trxB).

Origami, a double mutant in thioredoxin reductase (trxB) and glutathione reductase (gor).

Addition of a fusion partner:

Fusion of the N-terminus of a heterologous protein to the C-terminus of a soluble fusion partner often improves the solubility of the fusion protein.

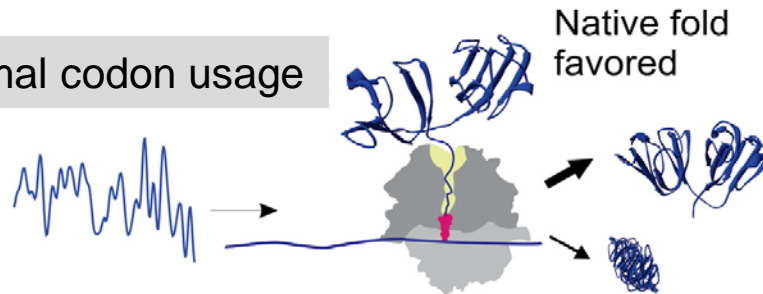
Expression of a fragment of the protein:

E. coli does not express well very large proteins (> 70 kDa). Choosing a smaller fragment of the target protein can improve expression levels and solubility.

The solubility of a poorly soluble (or insoluble) protein can also be improved by selecting only a soluble domain for expression.

Codon biasing

Natural/Optimal codon usage



Different kinetics of translation and co-translational folding

Different oxidation states of soluble protein products

Altered codon usage



Increased misfolding and degradation

Codon biasing

In a particular organism a specific codon is preferably used to code a specific amino acid, despite of the other codons. Codon bias leads to translational stalling, premature termination, frameshifting and misincorporation

Optimization of the codon can be done by in vitro gene synthesis thus removing the rare codons.

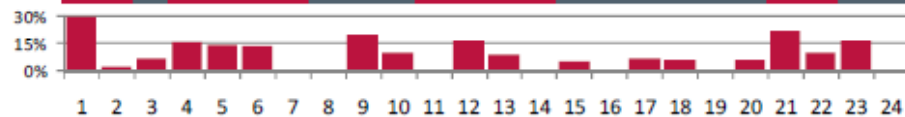
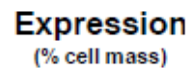
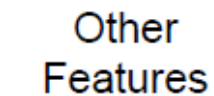
tRNAs genes coding for rare codons can be expressed to adapt the tRNA pool to the demand: chromosomic integration or compatible plasmids

Codon	Human	Drosophila	E. coli
Arginine:			
AGA	22 %	10 %	1 %
AGG	23 %	6 %	1 %
CGA	10 %	8 %	4 %
CGC	22 %	49 %	39 %
CGG	14 %	9 %	4 %
CGU	9 %	18 %	49 %

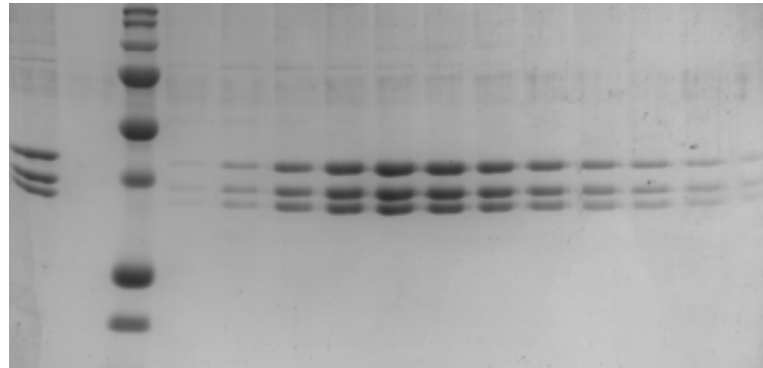
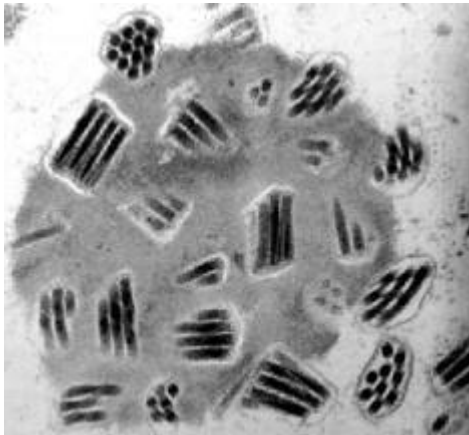
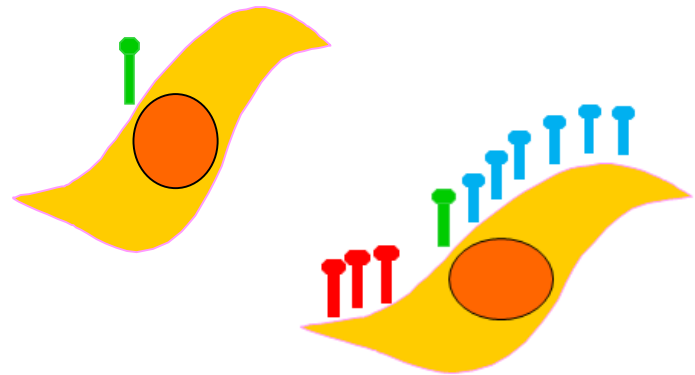
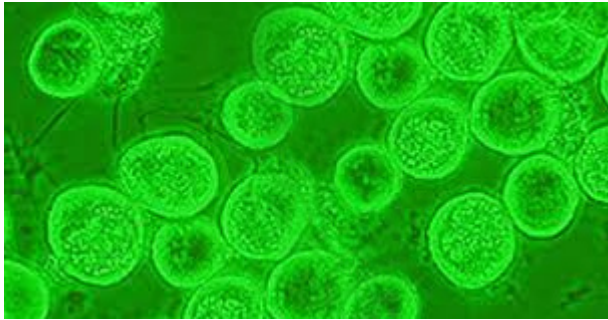


I Induced, U Un-induced

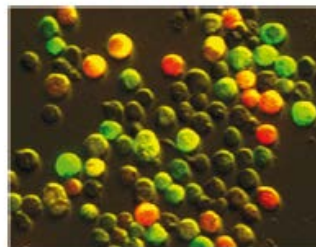
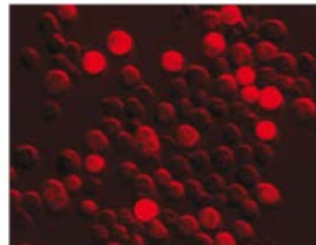
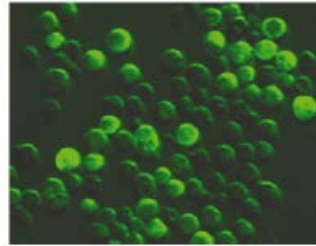
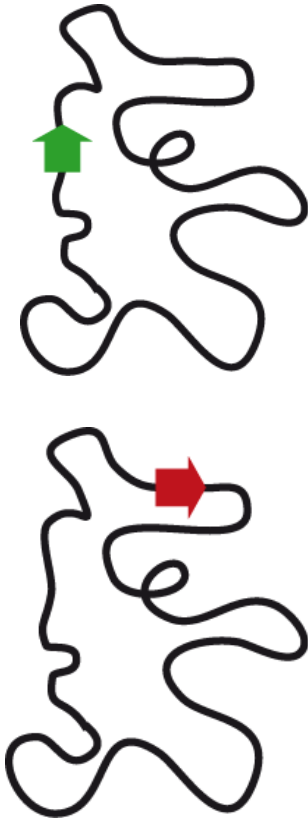
Codon Frequencies



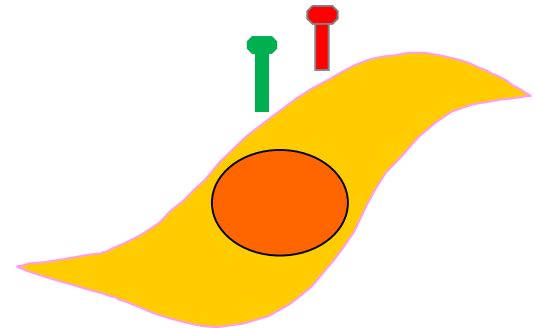
Co-expression in insect cells using the BVES



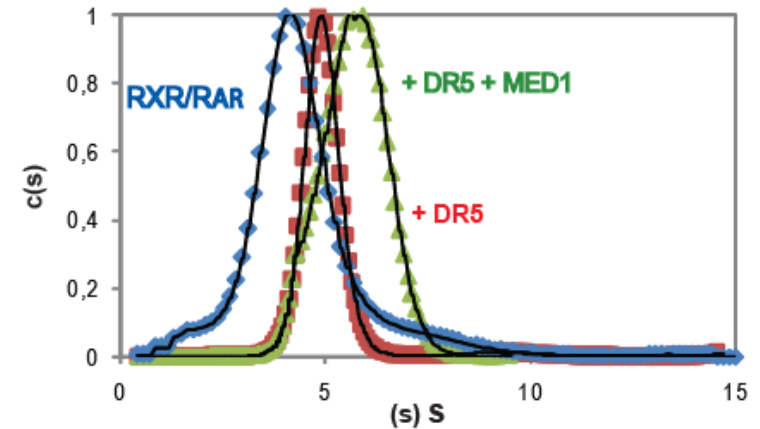
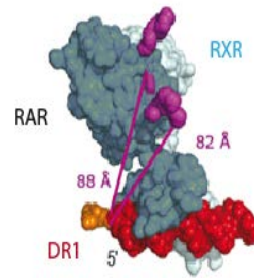
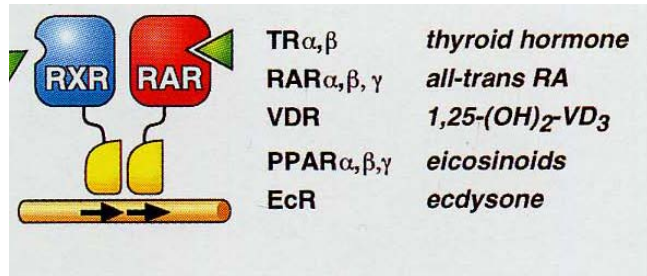
Co-infection: a simple way to co-express proteins



pH GFP+ p10 DsRed

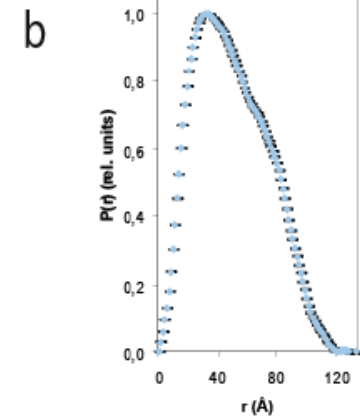
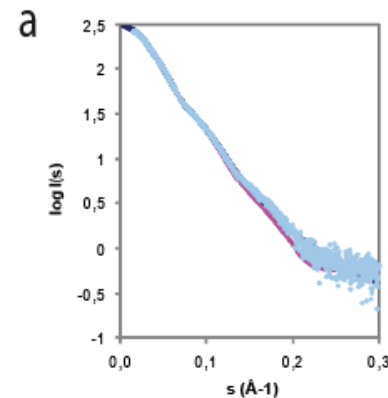
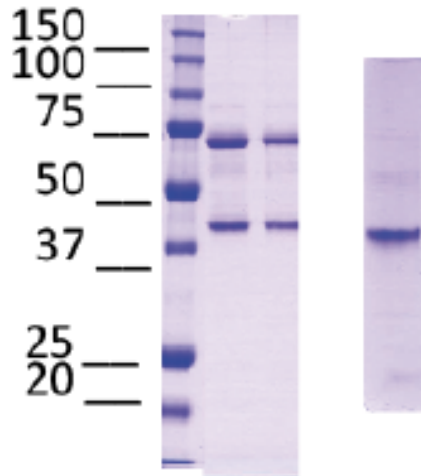


Production of nuclear hormone receptor complexes



PPAR γ /RXR $\alpha\Delta$ AB/PPRE DR1

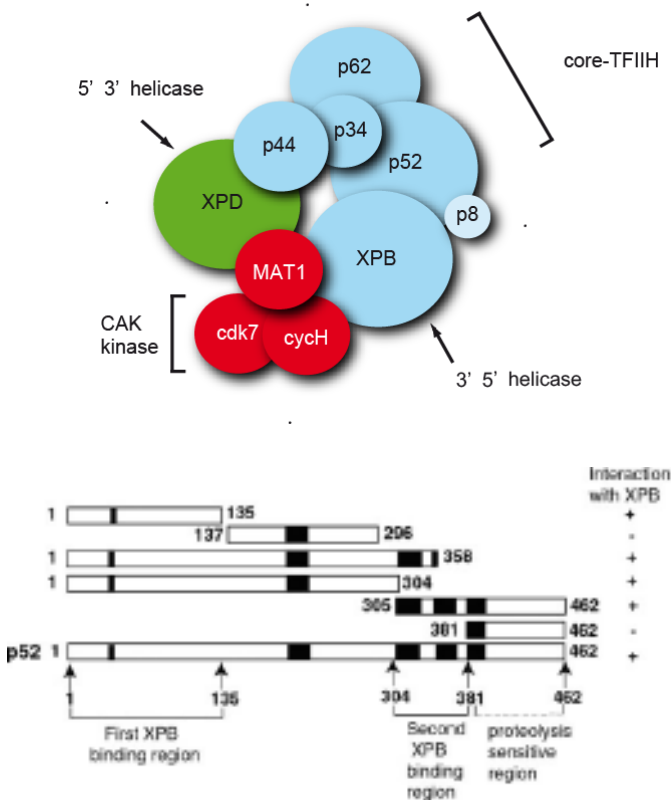
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Systematic dissection of protein-protein interactions within a complex

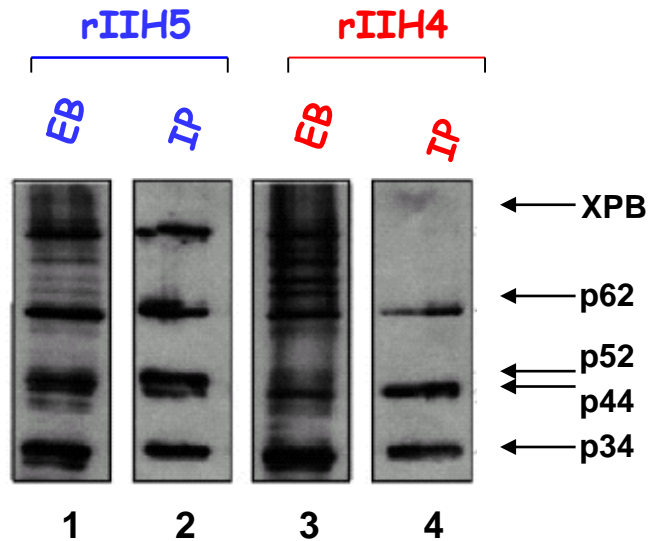
Generate two sets of n viruses: typically the first with a FLAG epitope and the second with an 6His tag

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

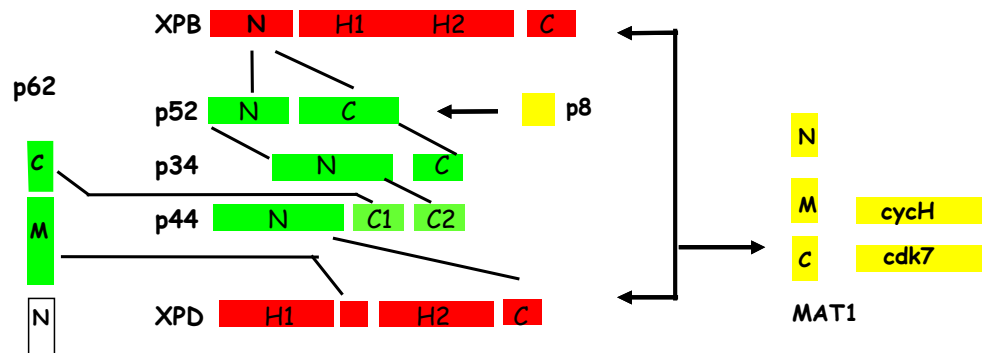
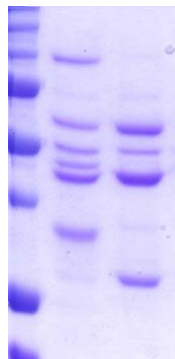
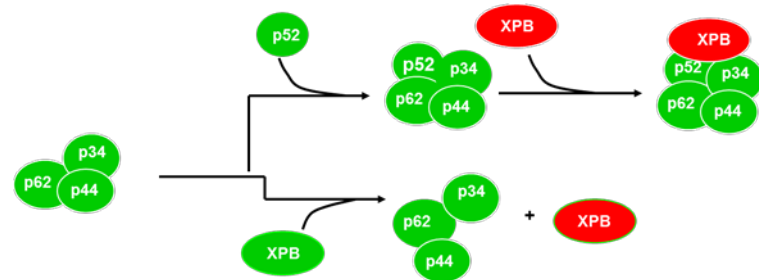


Flag-protein	His-protein						
	p34	p44	p52	p62	XPB	XPB	MAT1
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	p52						
	p62						
	XPB						
	XPB						

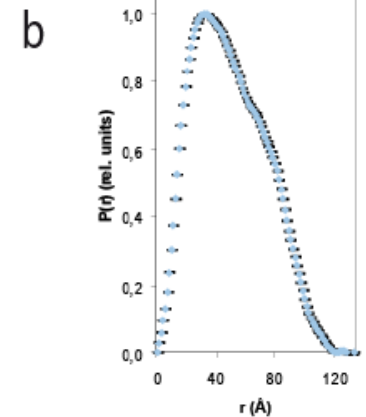
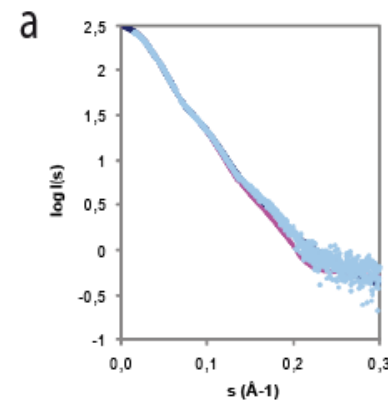
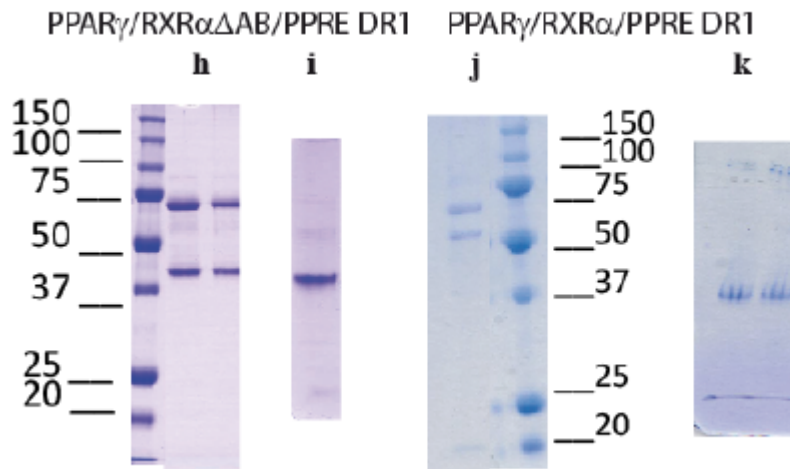
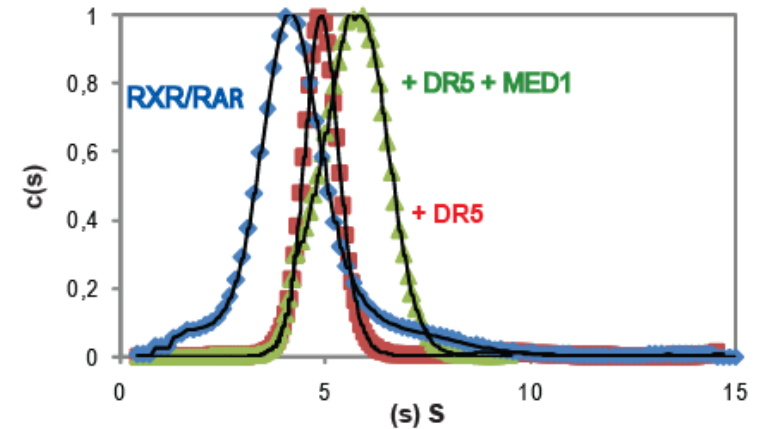
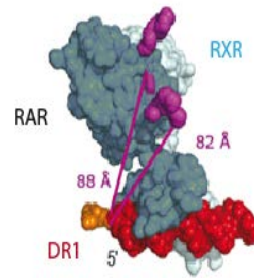
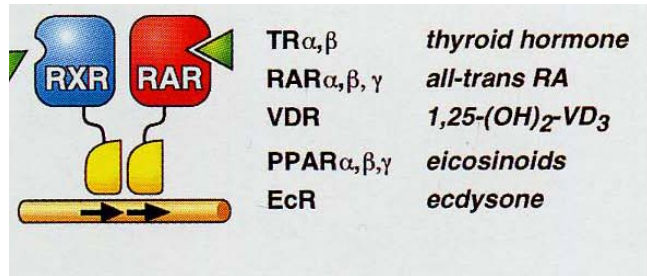
Systematic dissection of protein-protein interactions: deletion analysis



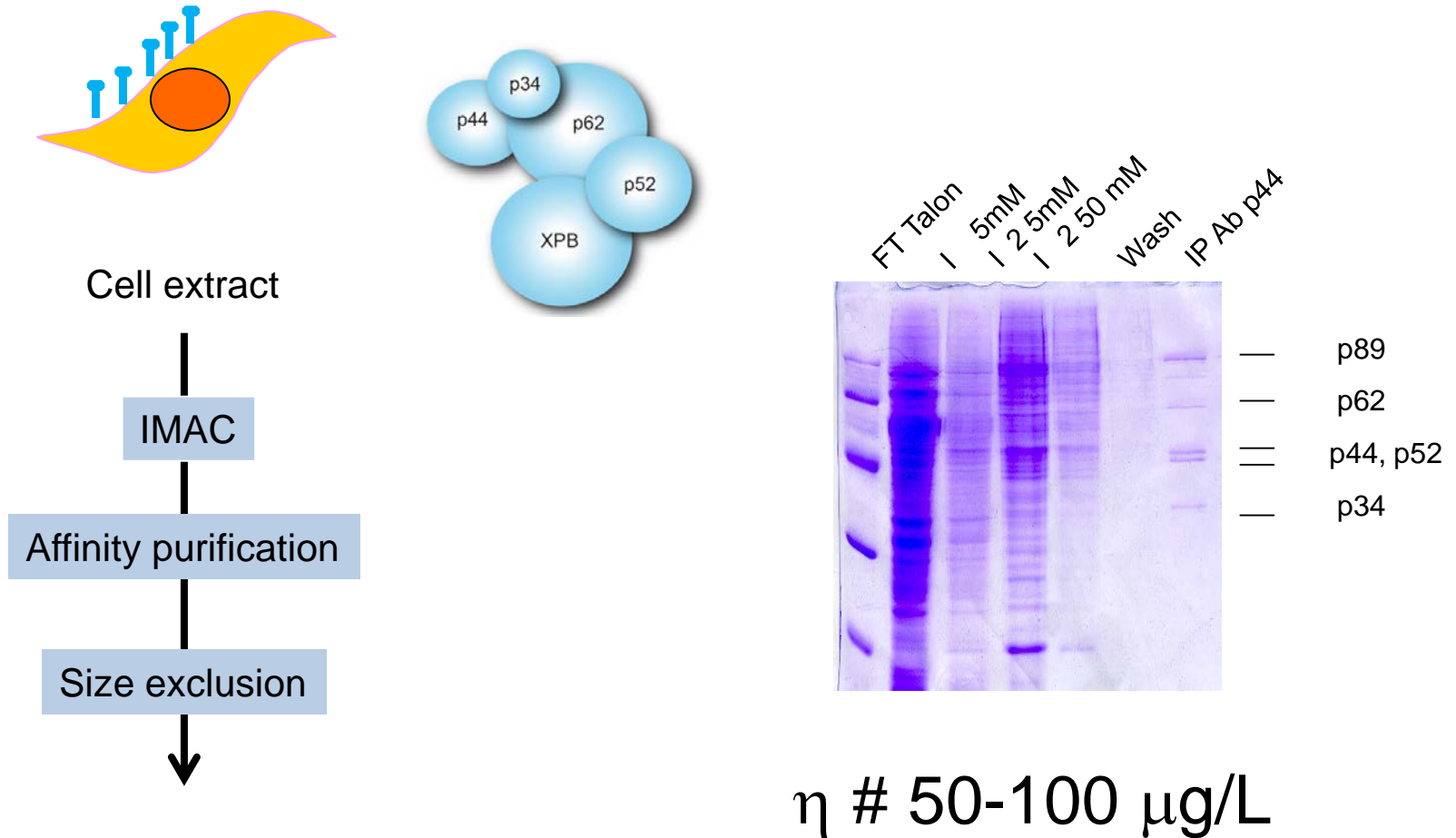
Analysis of the protein interaction network
Identification of key regulatory interactions



Production of nuclear hormone receptor complexes

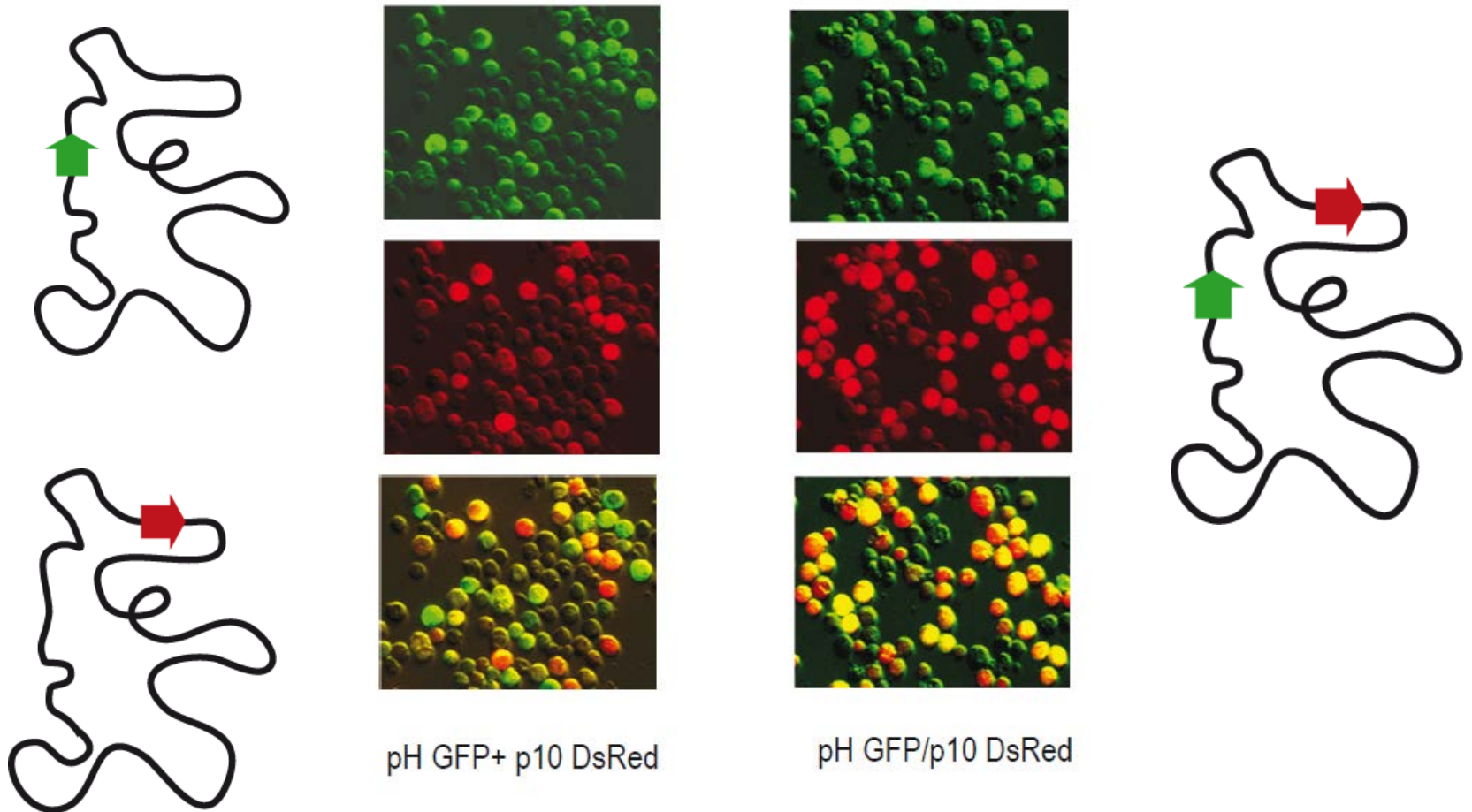


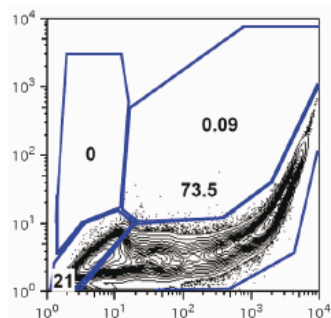
Co-infection with multiple viruses for reconstitution of complexes



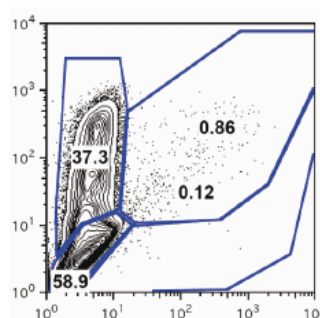
Low yields, labour intensive, poor reproducibility

Co-infection vs Multigene expression

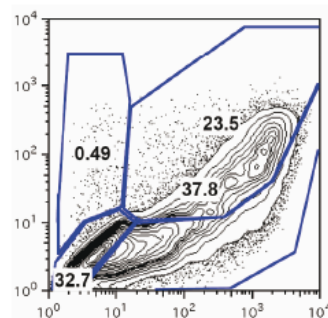




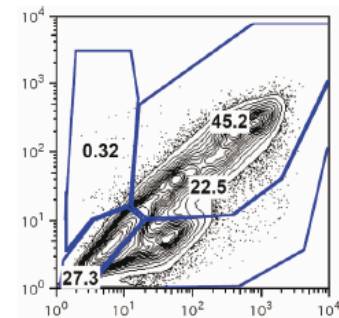
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p10 DsRed



pH GFP+ p10 DsRed

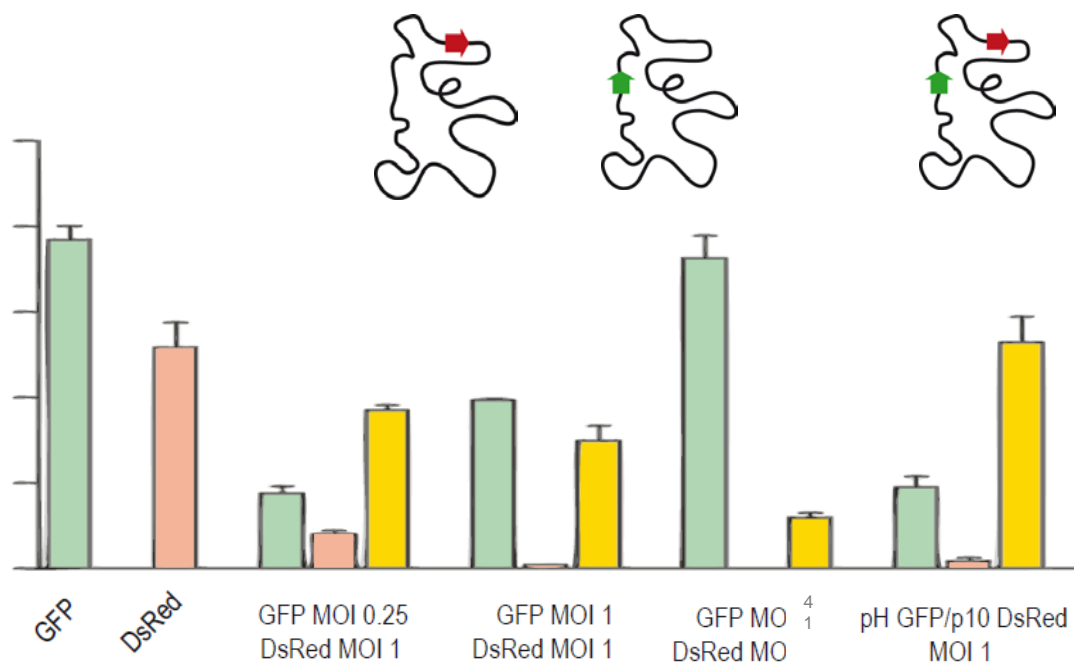


pH GFP/p10 DsRed

Controls

Co-infection

Multigene expression



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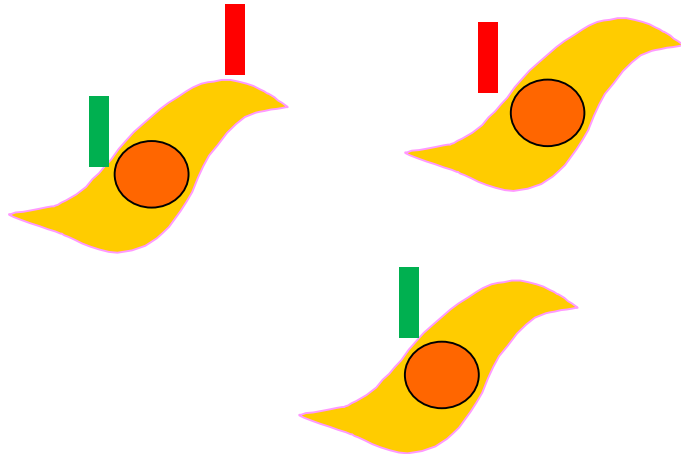
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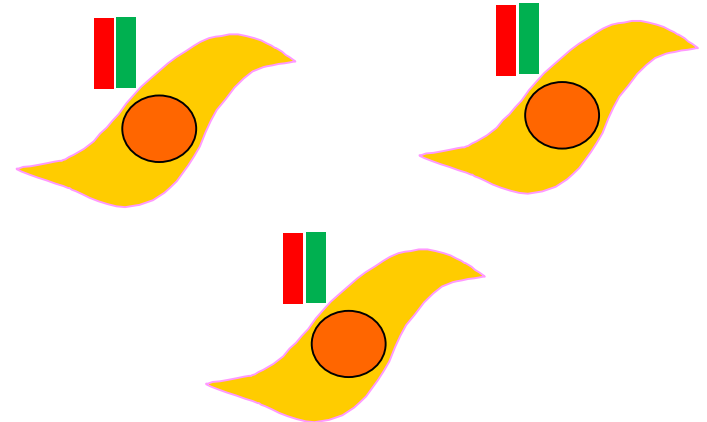
Two viruses encoding a single gene each



A single virus encoding the two genes



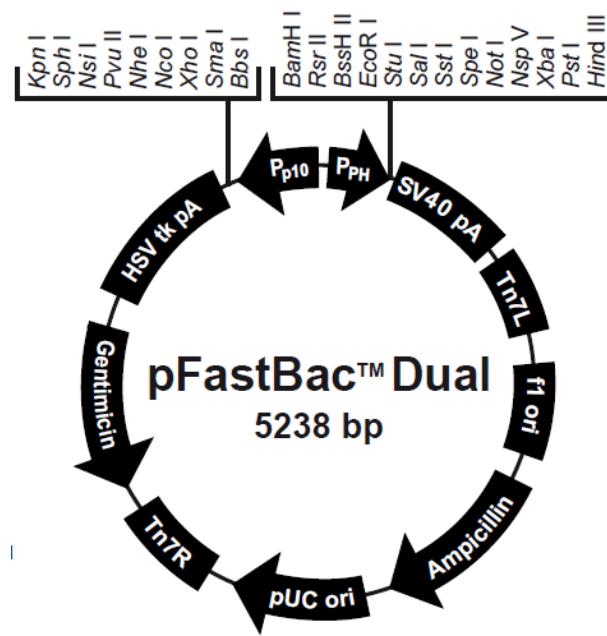
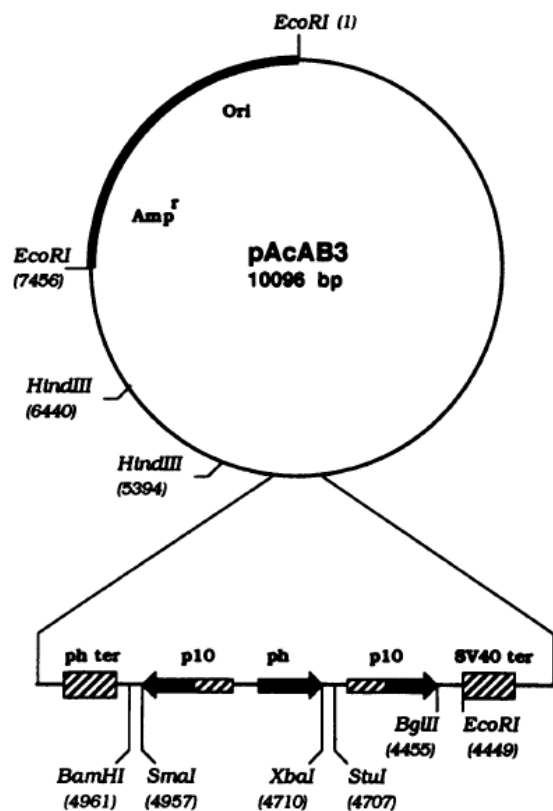
Co-infection



Infection by a single virus

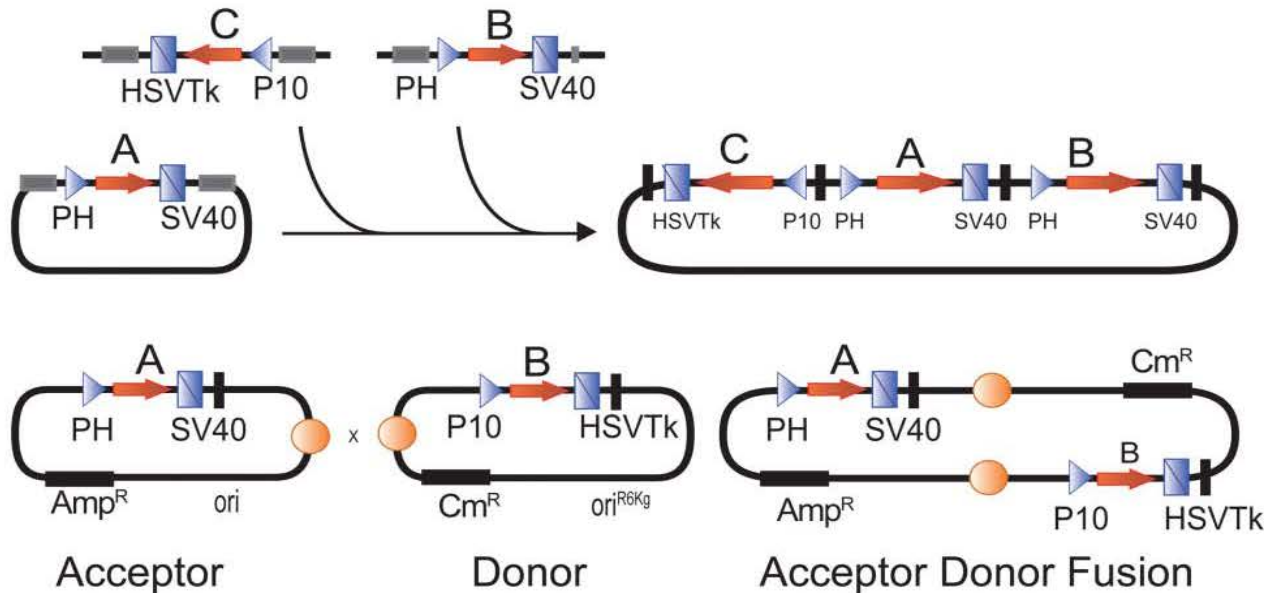
Development of baculovirus triple and quadruple expression vectors: co-expression of three or four bluetongue virus proteins and the synthesis of bluetongue virus-like particles in insect cells

Alexander S.Belyaev¹ and Polly Roy^{1,2,*}

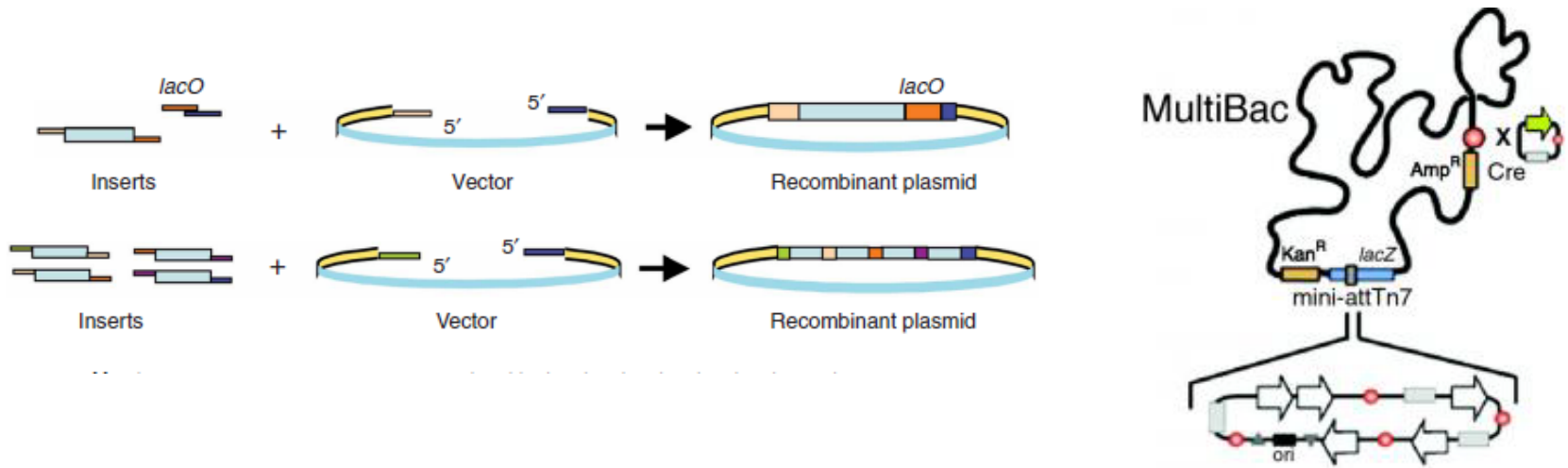


Multigene expression is conceptually trivial

Clone genes of interest into individual expression units
Assemble the individual units into multigene transfer vectors



Tools to streamline cloning multigene expression transfer vectors were missing



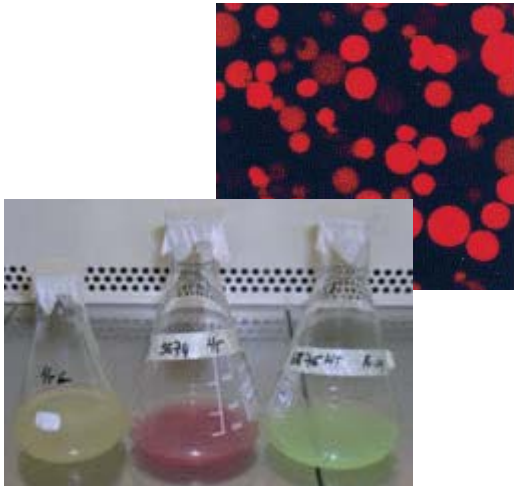
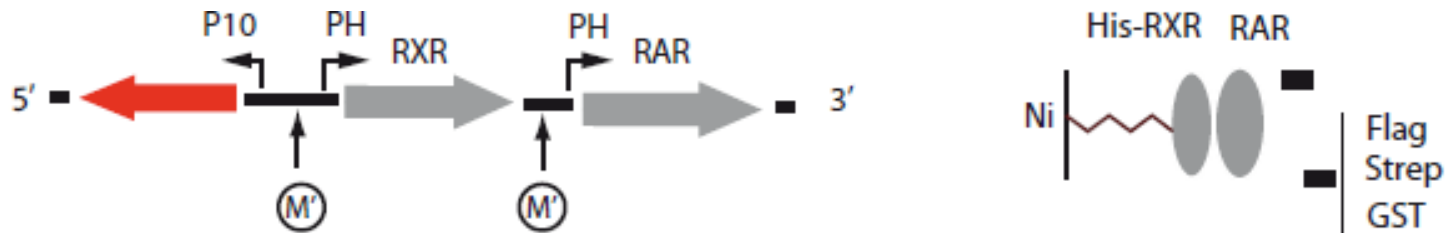
Progress in molecular and synthetic biology

MultiBac, BigBac, MacroBac,....

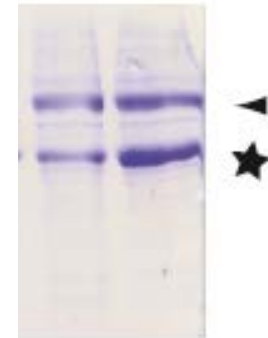
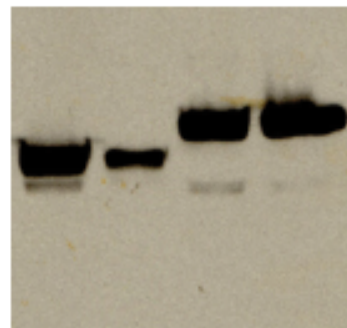
SLIC, Gibson, Infusion cloning and Cre-fusion

Imre BERGER, Bristol, UK

Insertion of an expression cassette into the multiplication module



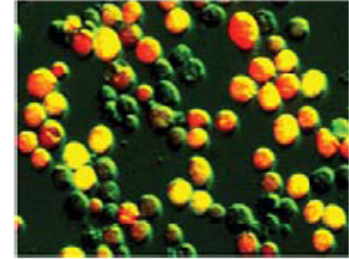
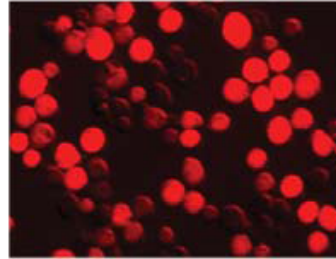
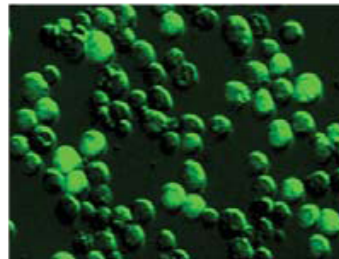
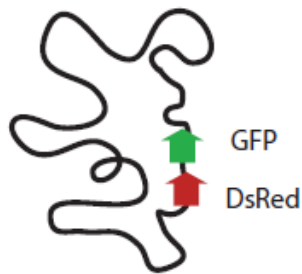
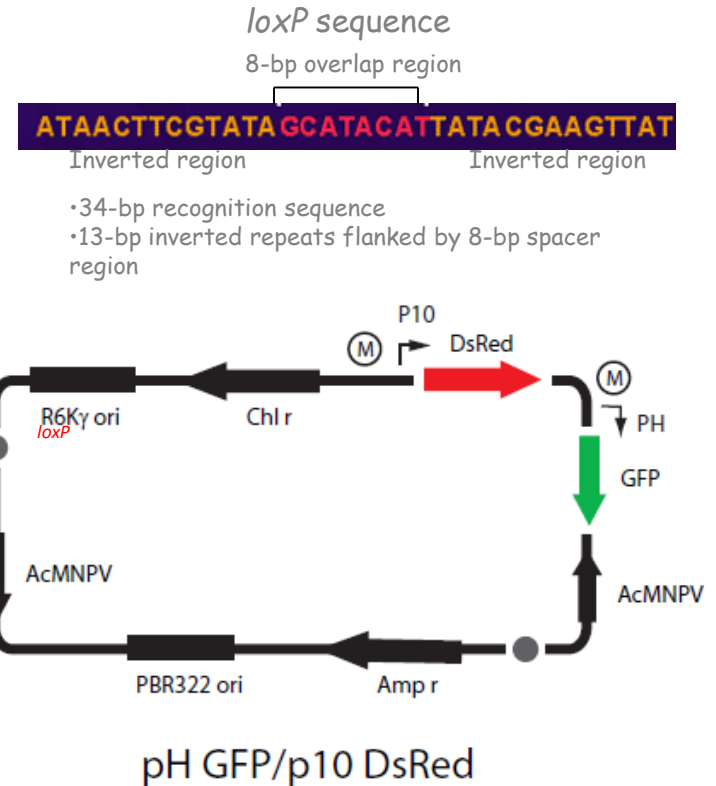
Flag-RAR / His-RXR
Strep-RAR / His-RXR
GST-RAR / His-RXR
GST-RAR / His-RXR (or2)



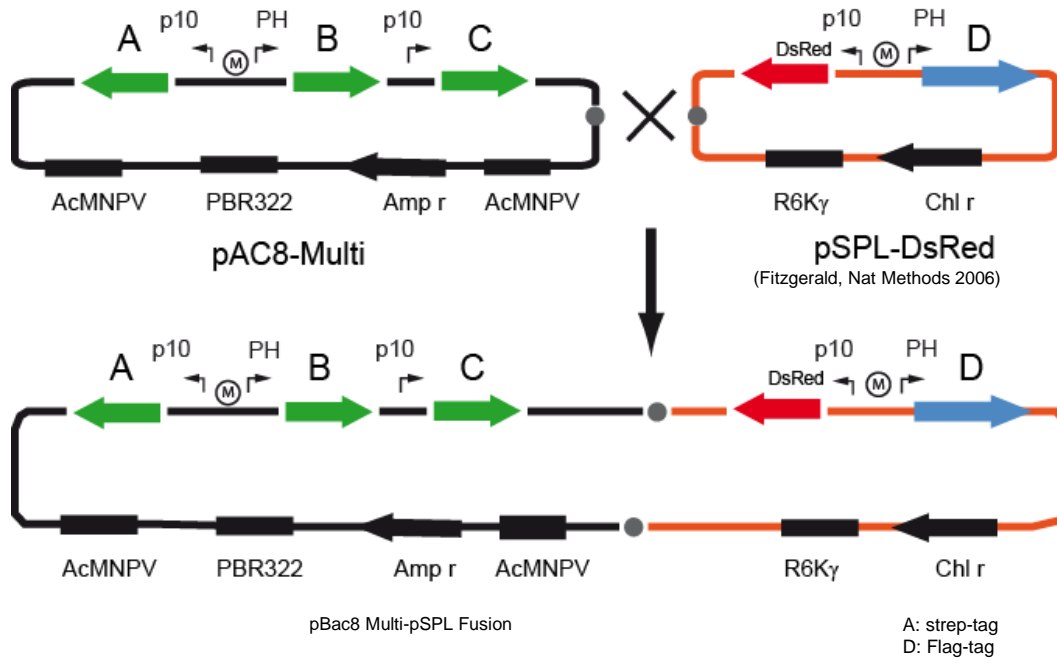
WB Ab @RAR

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.



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

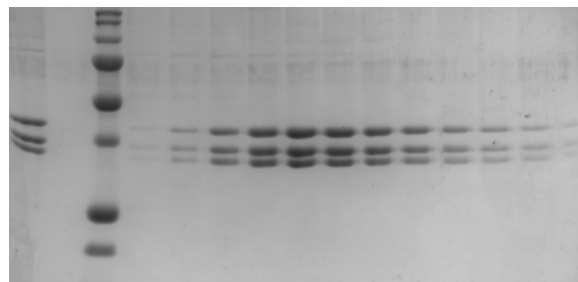
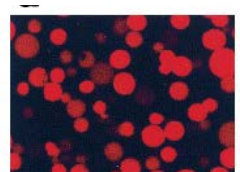


Flag-affinity

Elution with Competitor-peptide

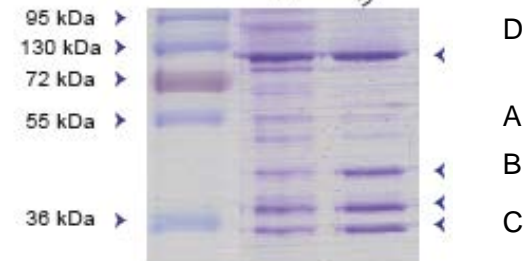
Strep-affinity

Elution with Desthiobiotin



Ternary complex

A
B
C

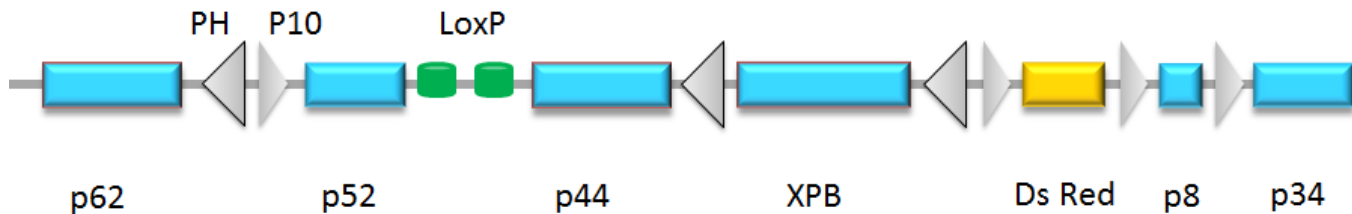
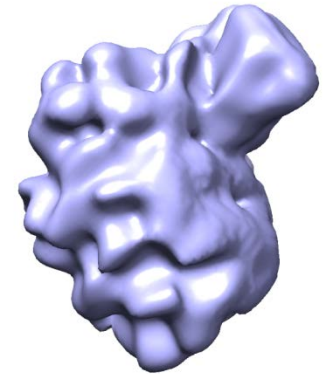
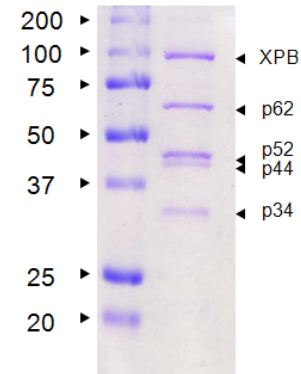
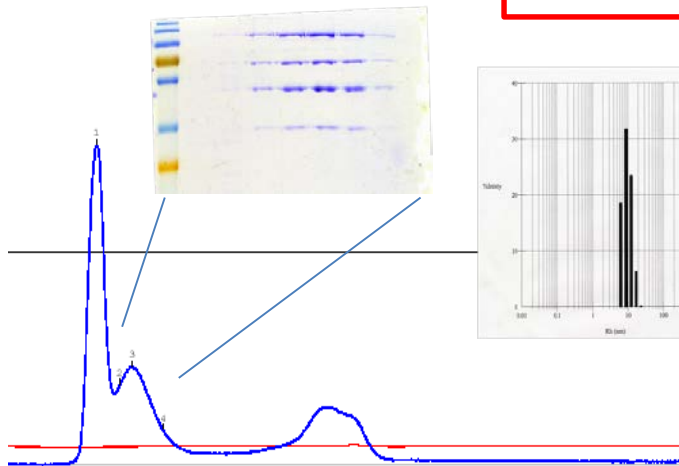
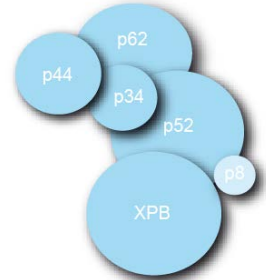


Quaternary complex

Production of core-TFIIH with a single virus

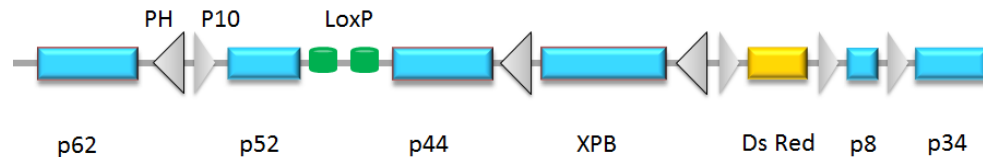
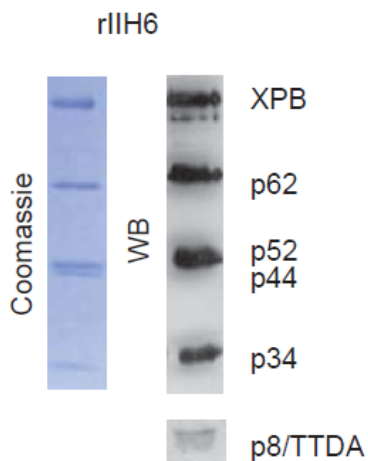
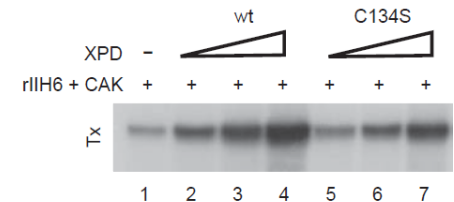
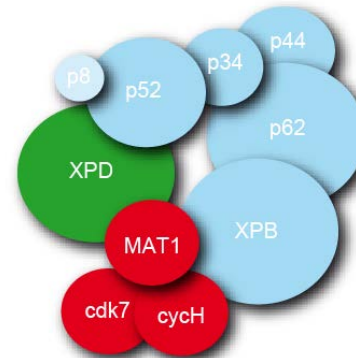
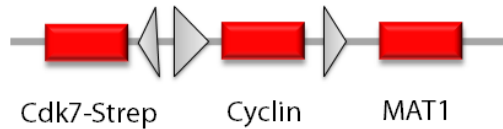
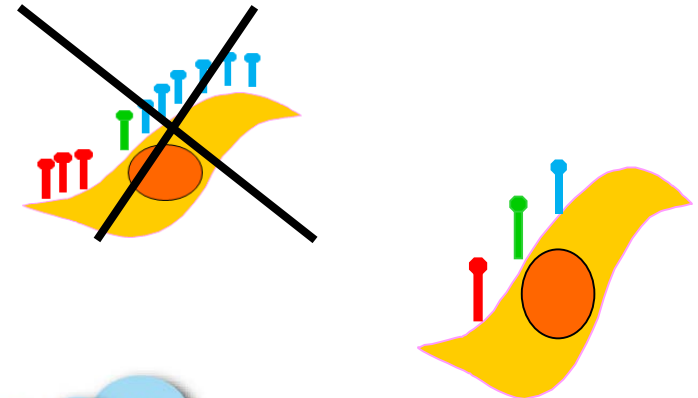
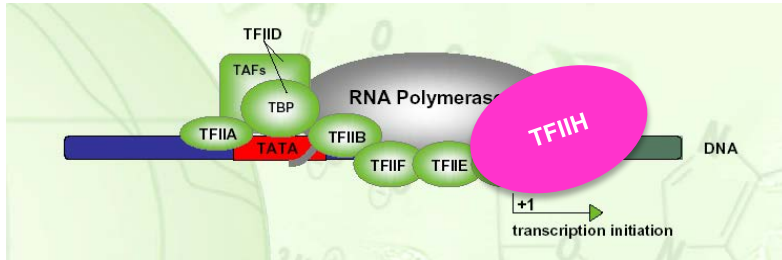
- ❖ 6 subunits: XPB, p62, p52, p44, p34, p8/TTDA (+ DsRed)
- ❖ Yield : 0.5 mg/L

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



16 kbp

Reconstitution and in vitro assays



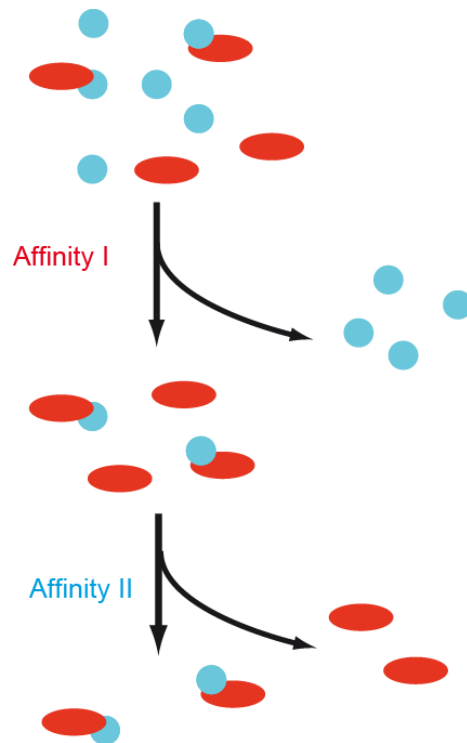
(Abdulrahman et al, PNAS 2013, Kupper et al., Plos Biology 2014, Radu NAR 2017)

Tandem Affinity Purification: Nature and position of the affinity tag

A single affinity step is usually not sufficient.

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

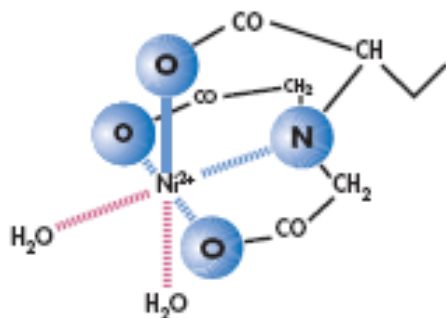
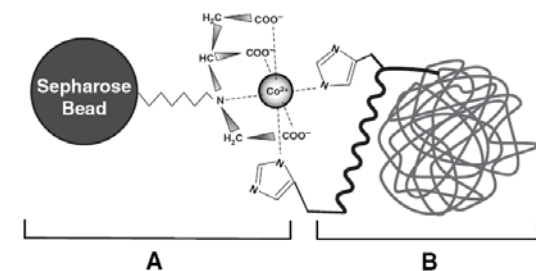
Position of the tag matters



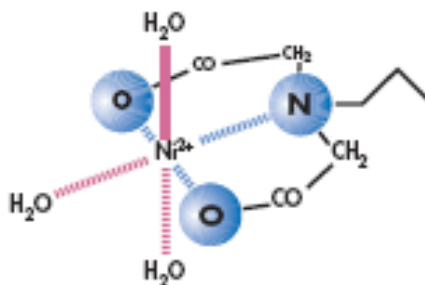
Tag	Resin	Elution	Cost/10mg
CBP	Calmodulin affinity	EGTA	181 €
TRX	Thiobond resin	β -mercapto ethanol	n.a.
ProA	IgG Sepharose G	n.a.	275 €
FLAG	Anti flag M2 affinity gel	FLAG peptide	2343 €
GST	Glutathione sepharose 4B	Glutathione	41 €
Strep tag II	Streptactin sepharose	Desthiobiotin	67-134 €
His6	TALON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

His-tag

Immobilized Metal Chelate Affinity resin



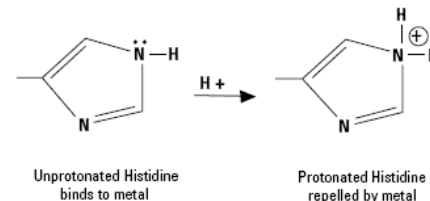
Ni-NTA



Ni-IDA

10xHis

Ni, Co, Fe



Unprotonated Histidine
binds to metal

Protonated Histidine
repelled by metal

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

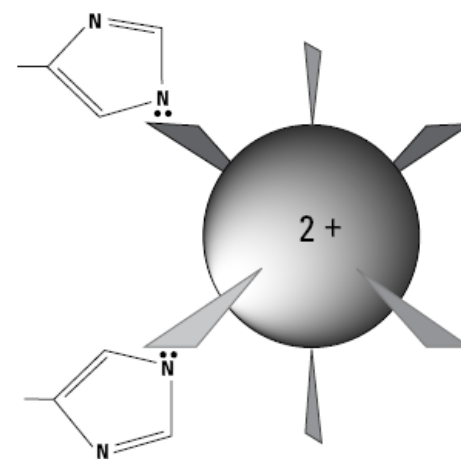
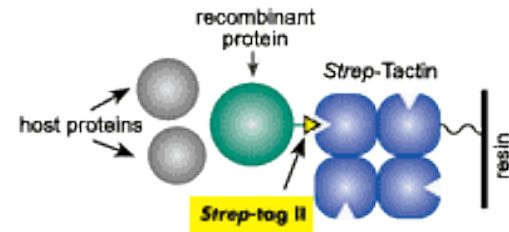
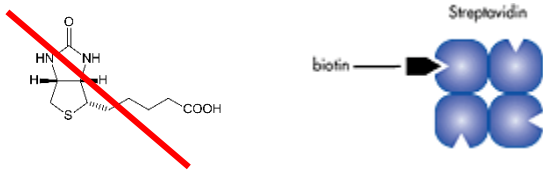


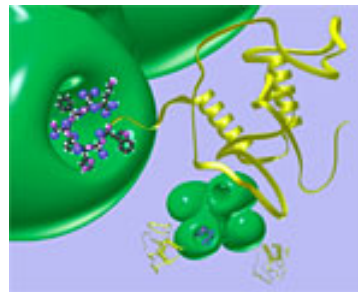
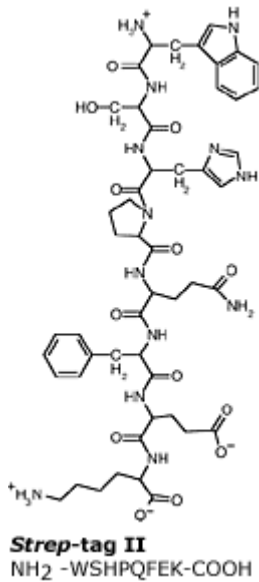
Figure 3. Binding of histidines to the TALON® Resin metal ion. Under conditions of physiological pH, histidine binds by sharing imidazole nitrogen electron density with the electron-deficient orbitals of the metal ion.

Strep tag-II

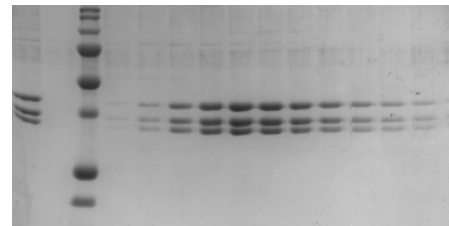
Derived from streptavidin-Biotin



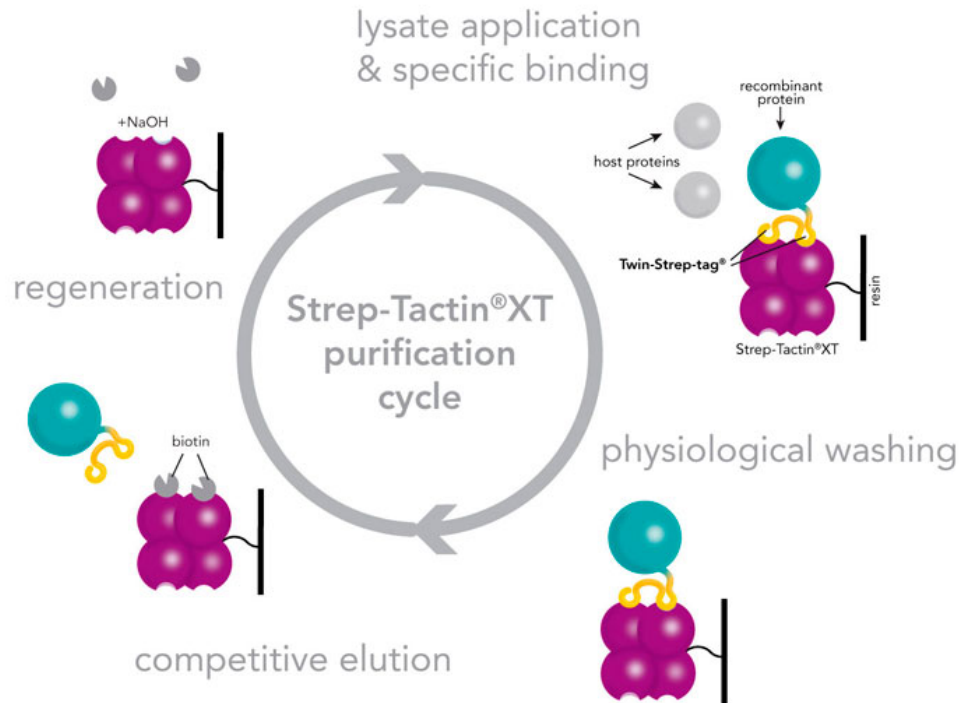
Elution with biotin analog: desthiobiotin or more recently Biotin (StrepTactin@XT)



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



Strep-Tactin®XT purification cycle



Elution with 50 mM Biotin

Large tags can promote solubility and expression: GST, MBP

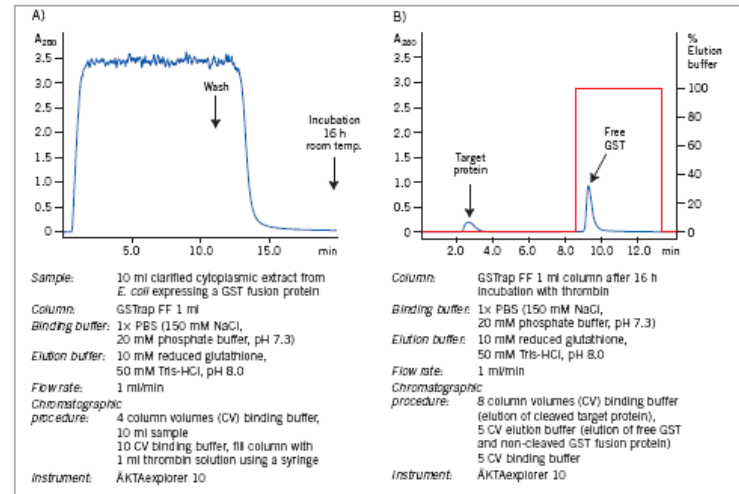
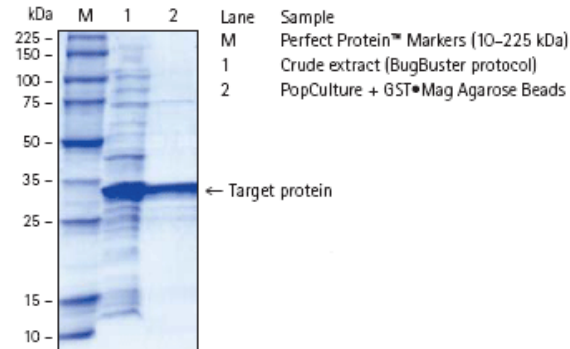
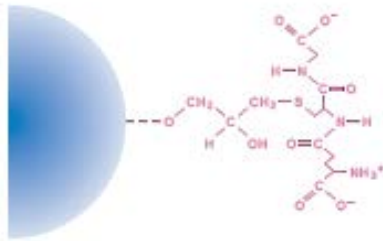
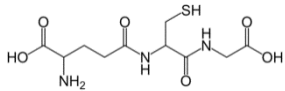
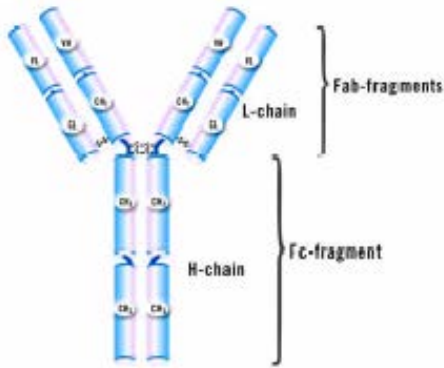


Fig 26. On-column thrombin cleavage of a GST fusion protein. A) Equilibration, sample application, and washing of a GST fusion protein on GSTrap FF 1 ml were performed using AKTAexplorer 10. After washing, the column was filled by syringe with 1 ml of thrombin (20 U/ml 1x PBS) and incubated for 16 h at room temperature. B) GST-free target protein 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.

FLAG and Capture Systems



FLAG and 3xFLAG Amino Acid Sequences

FLAG

Asp-Tyr-Lys-Asp-Asp-Asp-Lys

Enterokinase
Cleavage Site

Protein

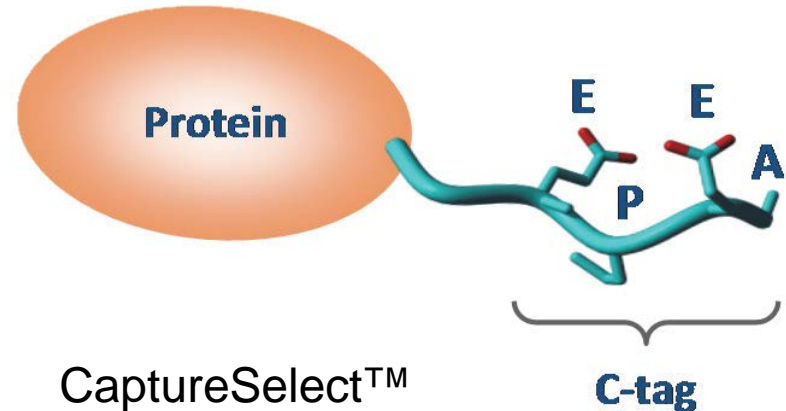
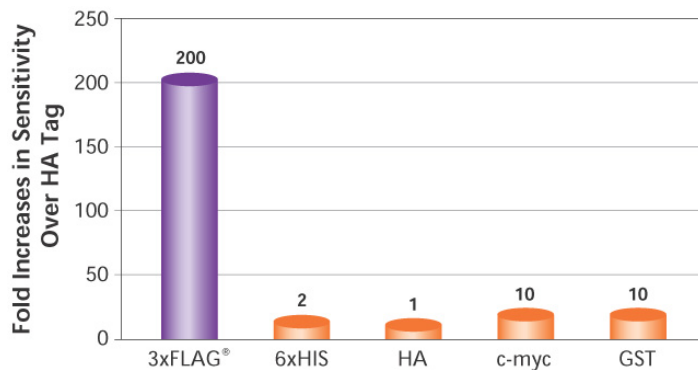
FLAG™

3xFLAG

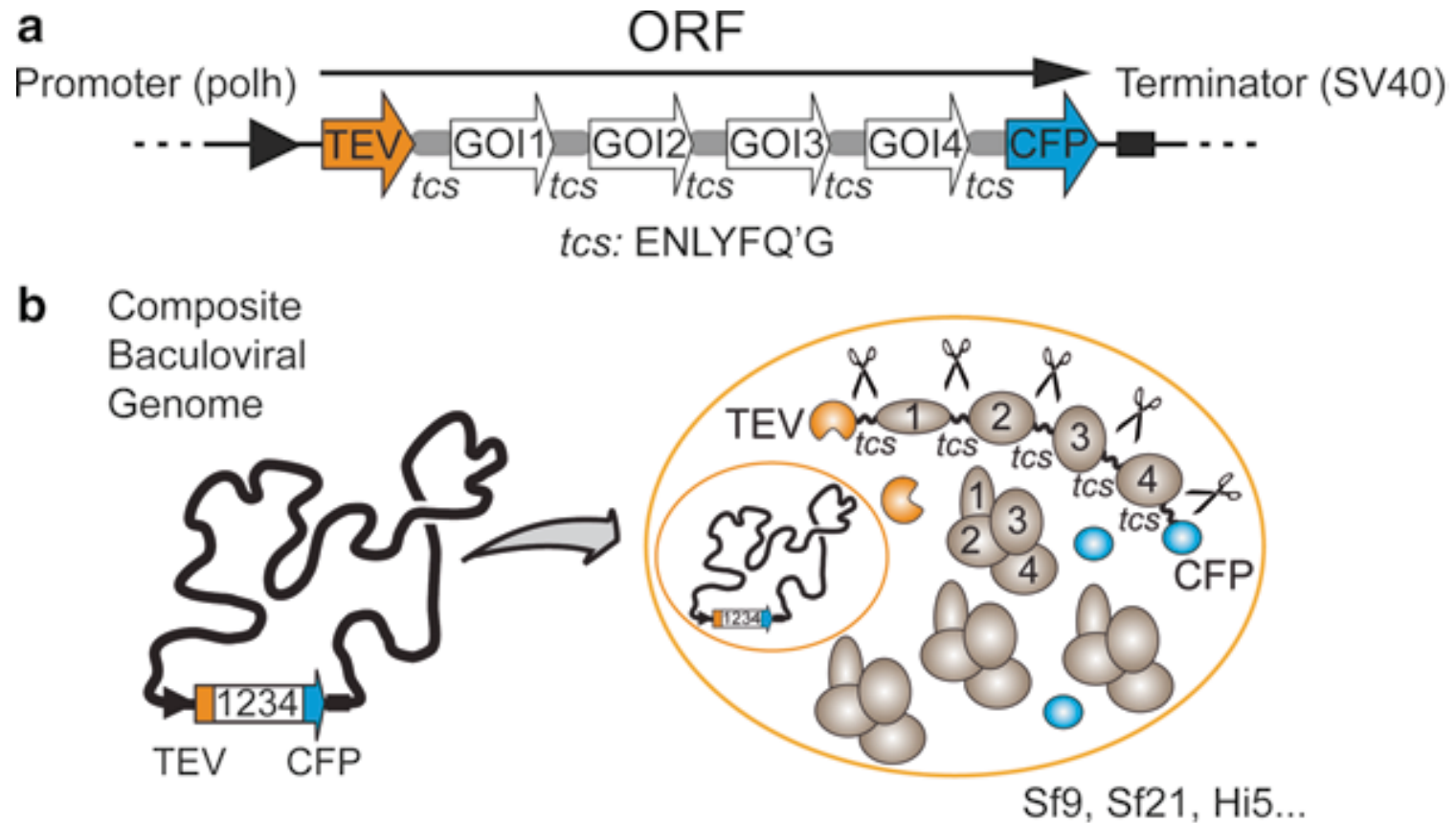
Asp-Tyr-Lys-Asp-His-Asp-Gly-Asp-Tyr-Lys-Asp-His-Asp-Ile-Asp-Tyr-Lys-Asp-Asp-Asp-Lys

Enterokinase
Cleavage Site

Protein



Synthetic Polyproteins: an option to control the stoichiometry



Production of Multiprotein complexes for biochemical & structural biology applications

Recombinant production



Bottom Up

Purification from endogenous sources



Top Down

Purification of native entities as reference

Sample preparation for biochemical an/or structural studies

Tandem Affinity Purification

Fusion of a Tandem-Affinity Purification (TAP) tag to the target protein which is expressed at physiological levels

Purification of the target protein in native conditions allows retrieval of associated partners

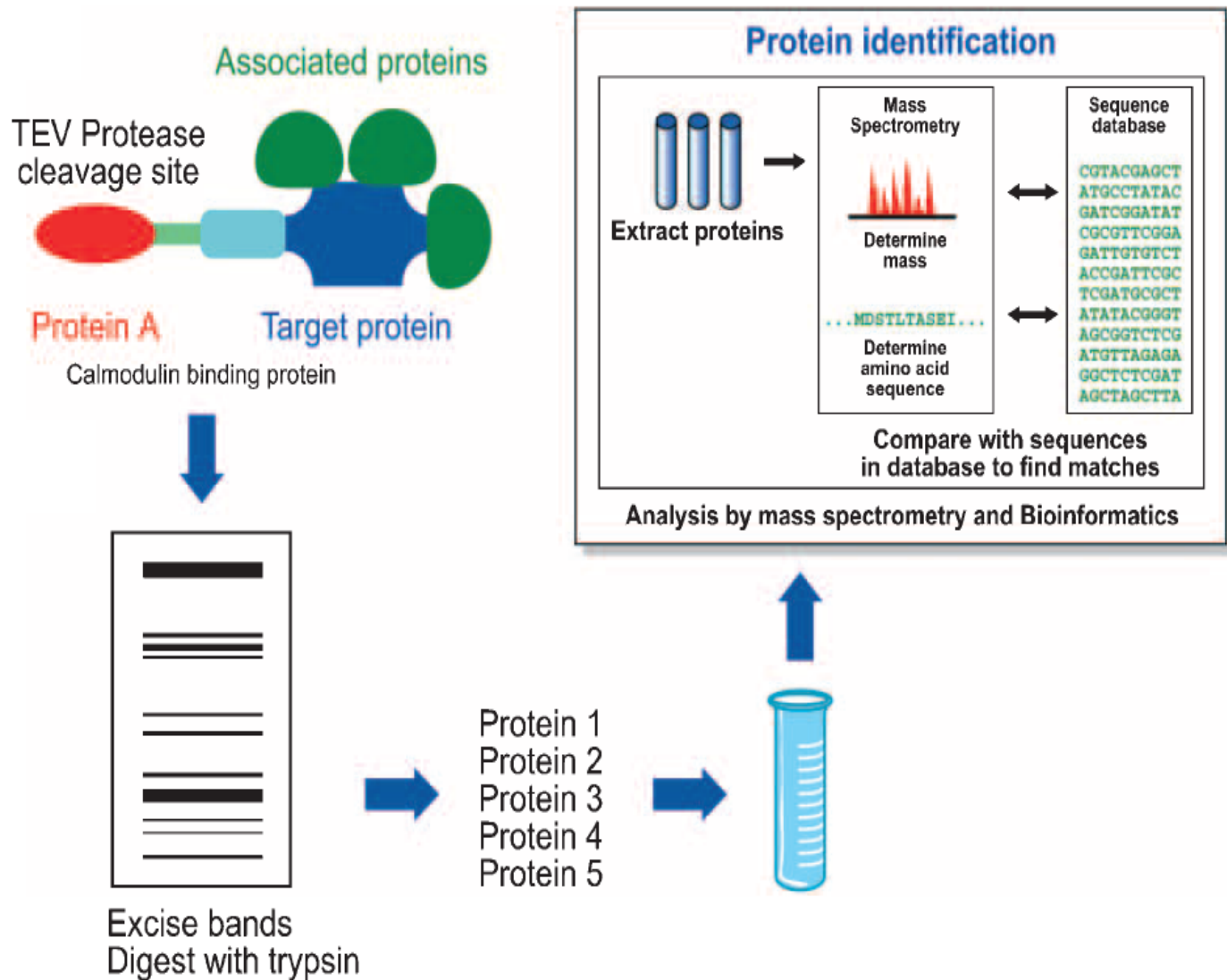
Rapid analysis of complexes without prior knowledge of the complex composition, activity, or function

Developed for large-scale studies

Ability to purify low abundant complexes from tissue/cell cultures

Sample preparation from native sources for structural/functional studies

TAP-MS



(Guillaume Rigaut, *et al.* 1999)

(Arnaud Droit, *et al.* 2005)

TAP-TAG in yeast

(Gavin, 2002)

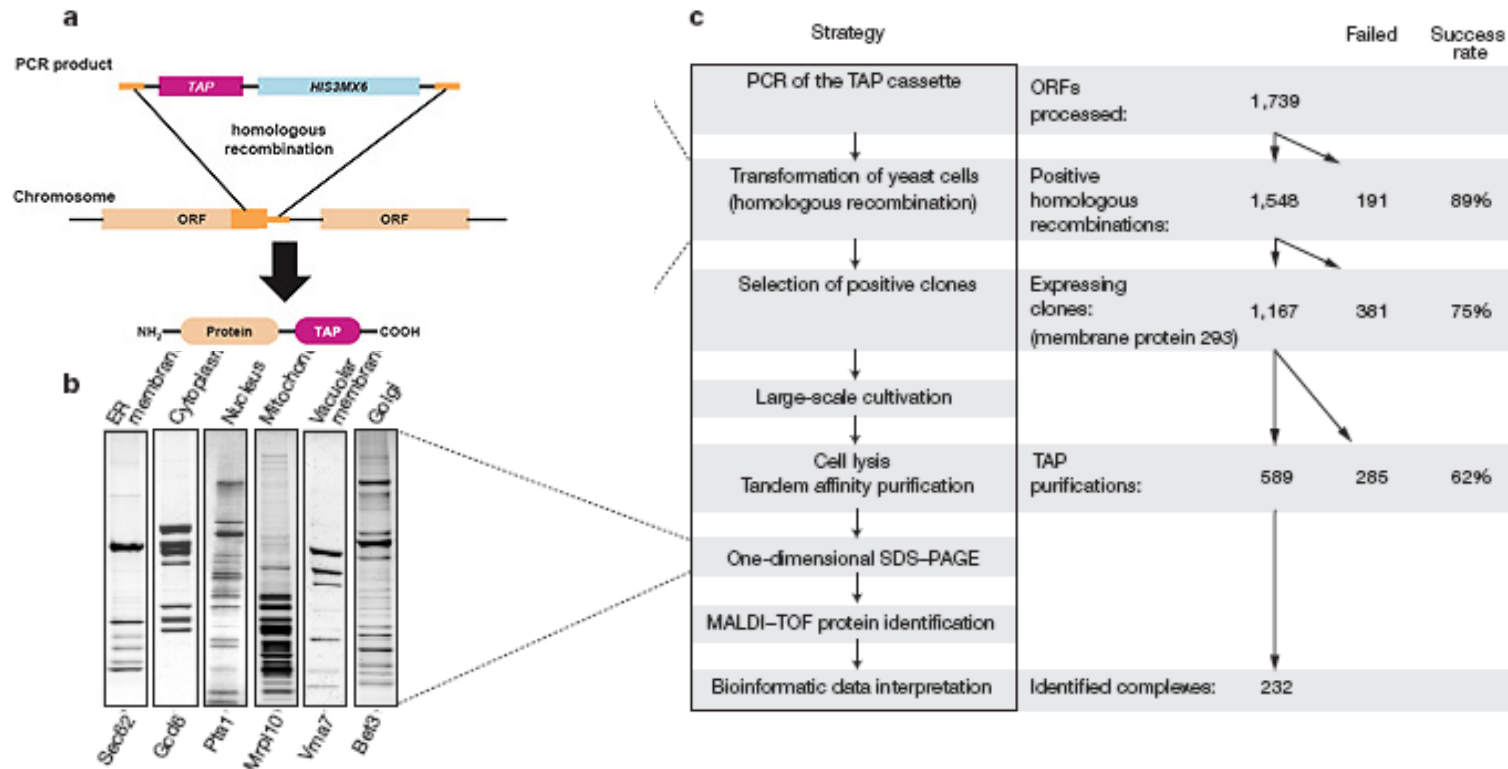
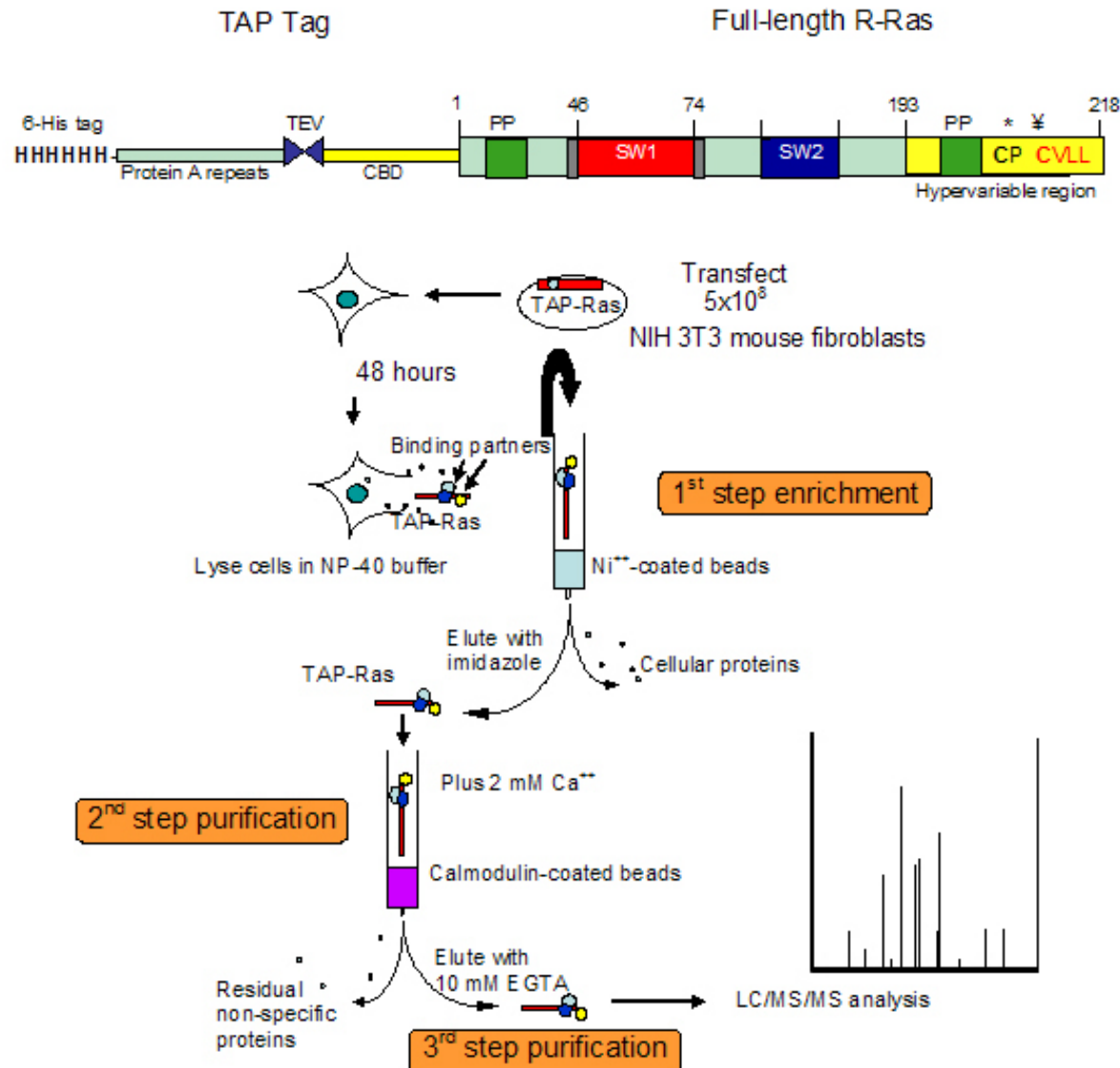


Figure 1 Synopsis of the screen. **a**, Schematic representation of the gene targeting procedure. The TAP cassette is inserted at the C terminus of a given yeast ORF by homologous recombination, generating the TAP-tagged fusion protein. **b**, Examples of TAP complexes purified from different subcellular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

TAP-TAG in Mammalian cells



Engineering of Mammalian cell lines

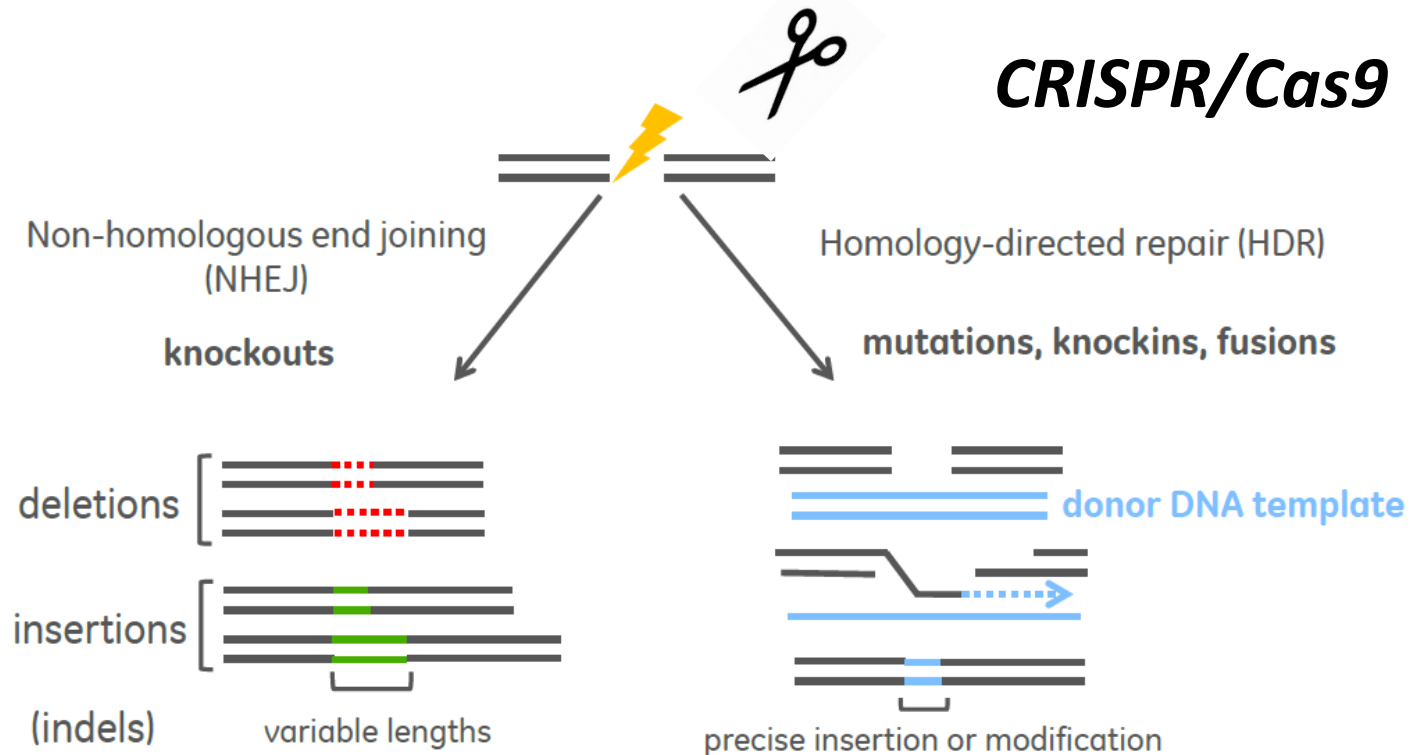
Transient expression

Random integration (antibiotic selection)

Site specific integration by RMCE

DNA Editing by repair of double-strands breaks

Genome editing by repair of double stranded breaks



Targeted insertion/deletion

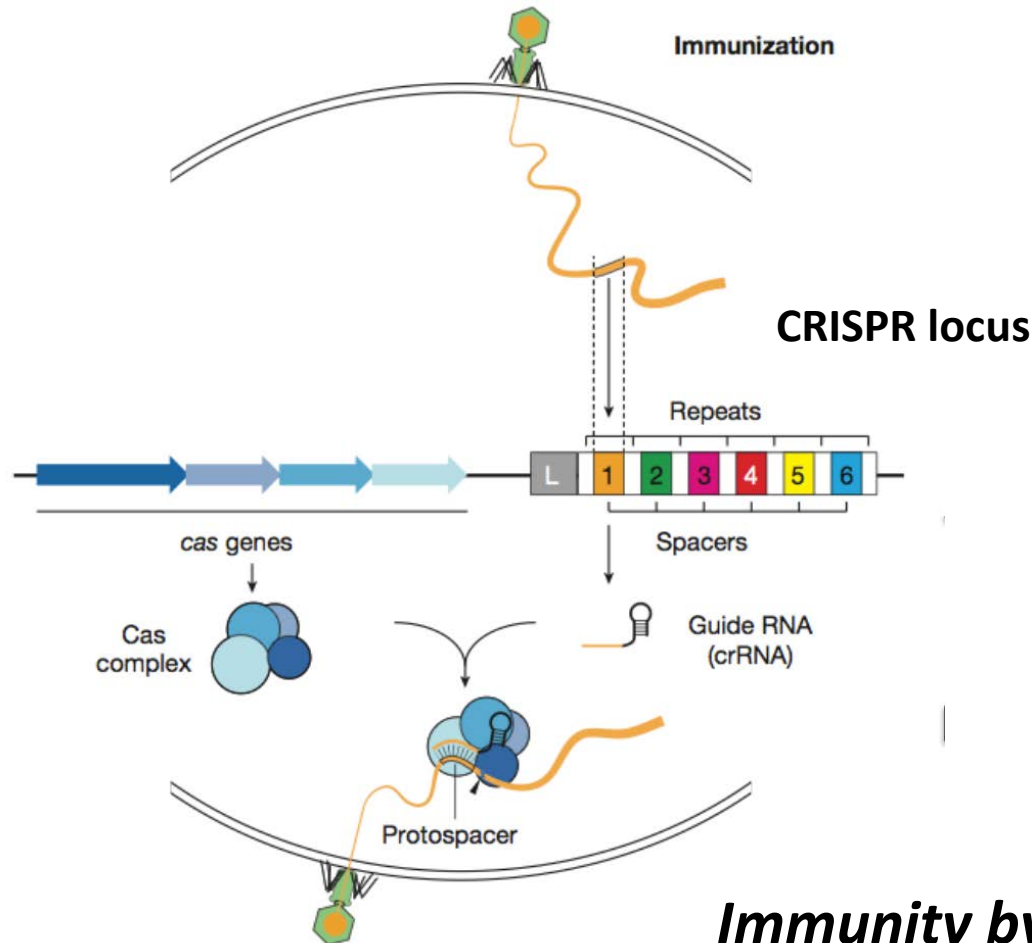
- gene KO
- enhancer deletion
- ...

Precise modification

- tagging with **GFP**, peptide tag, ...
- transgene knock-in
- correction of mutations

CRISPR/Cas systems mediate adaptive immunity in bacteria

Immunization



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

Ishino et al, 1987

Mojica et al, 2005

Barrangou et al, 2007

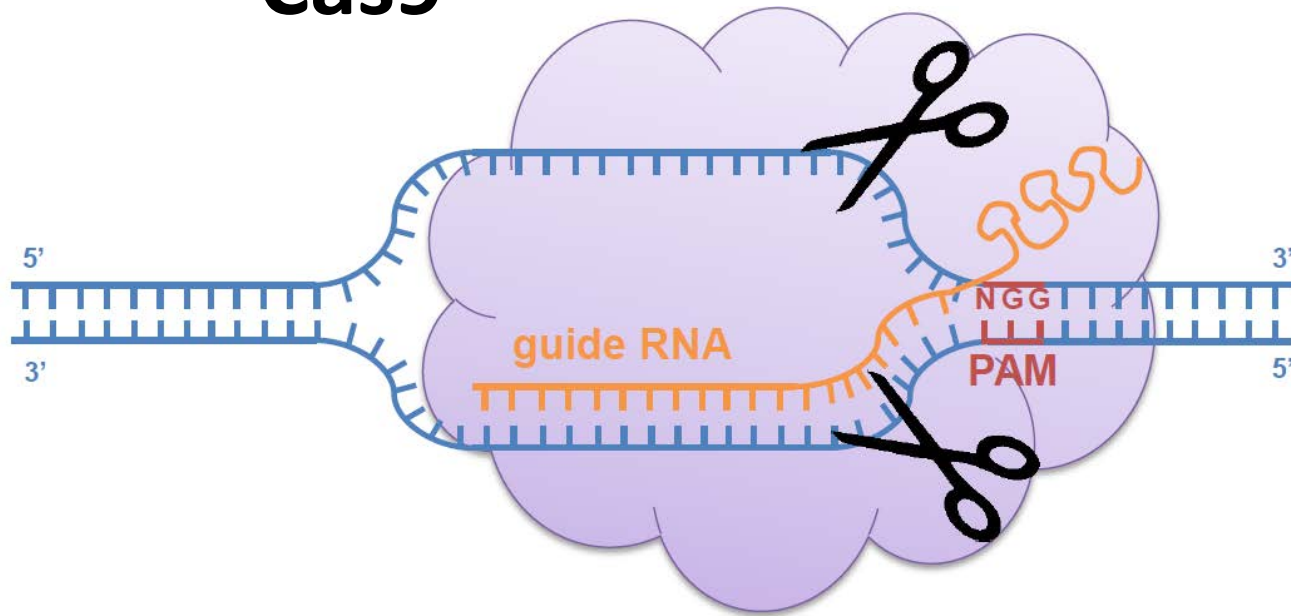
Jinek et al, 2012

Bhaya et al., 2011 (Ann Rev Gen)

Immunity by DNA interference

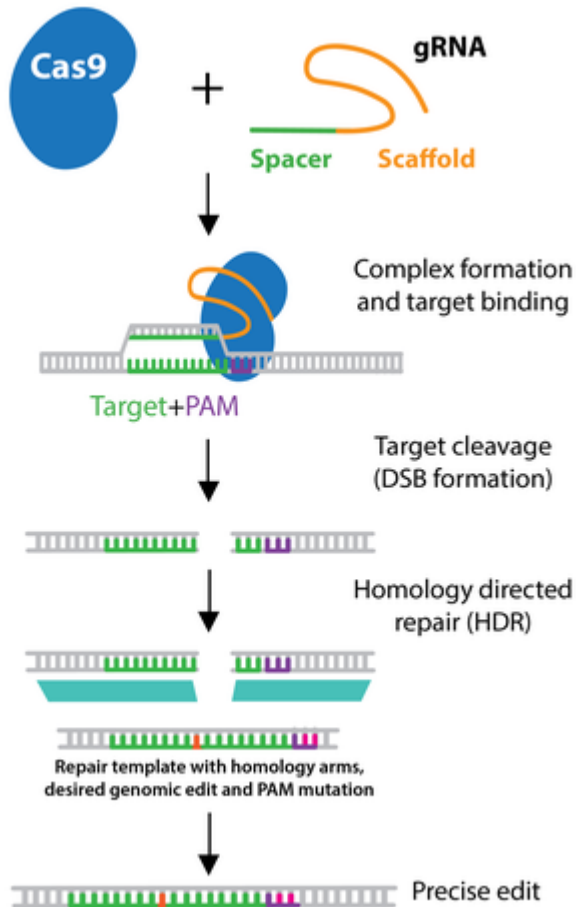
CRISPR-Cas9 nucleases

Cas9



- binds to **PAM motif** (NGG for *S. pyogenes* Cas9)
- cleaves DNA if **guide RNA** binds to sequence upstream of PAM

Workflow for making Precise Modifications using Homology Directed Repair (HDR)



Guide RNA (design, production, tests)

Template DNA design

Cas9 RNP and Template DNA delivery

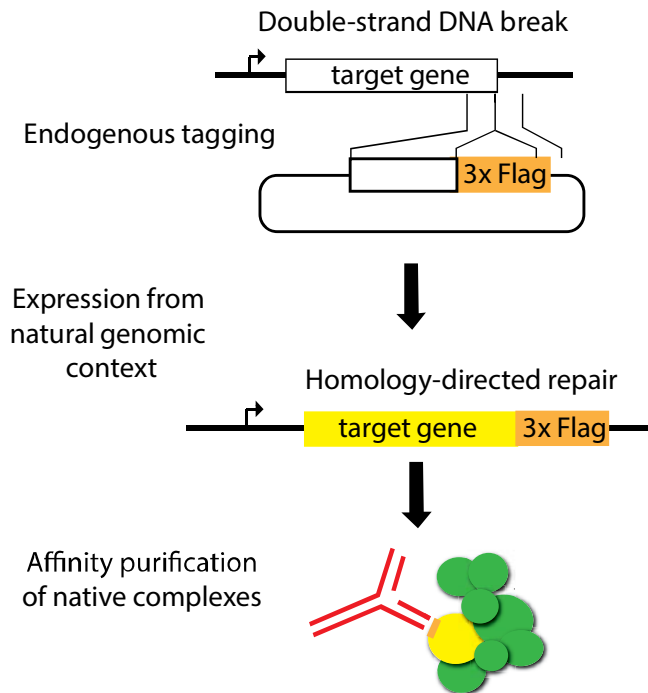
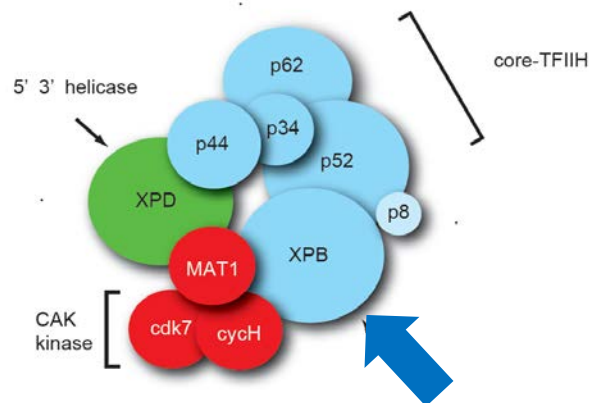
Isolation of cells with tagged gene

Tagging of the TFIIH XPB subunit

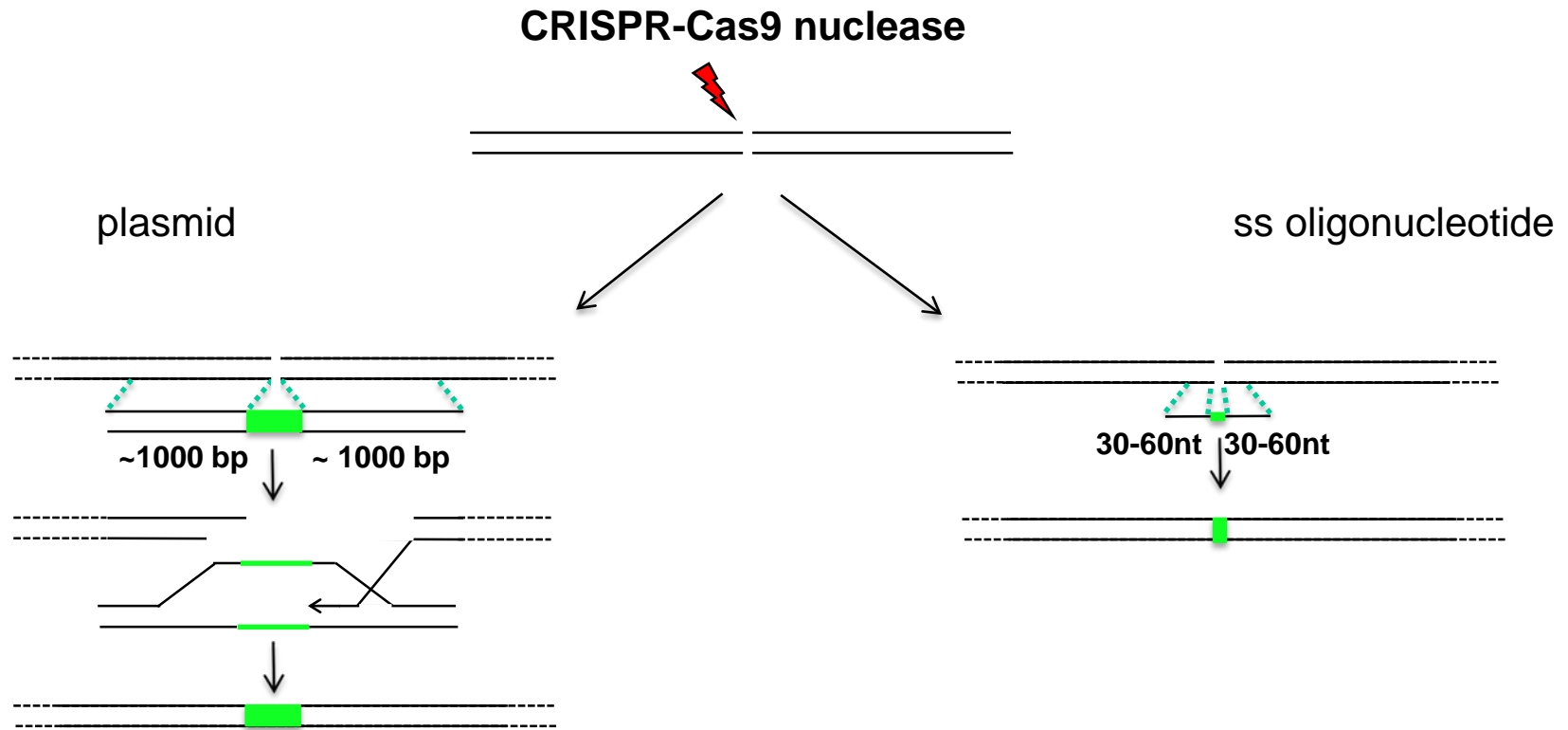
1/ Generate homozygous KI mammalian cell lines expressing an affinity tagged protein using the CrispR/Cas9 technology

2/ Cultivate cells to express the tagged protein and its associated partners from their natural environment

3/ Purify and characterize the corresponding endogenous complexes (composition, stability,...)



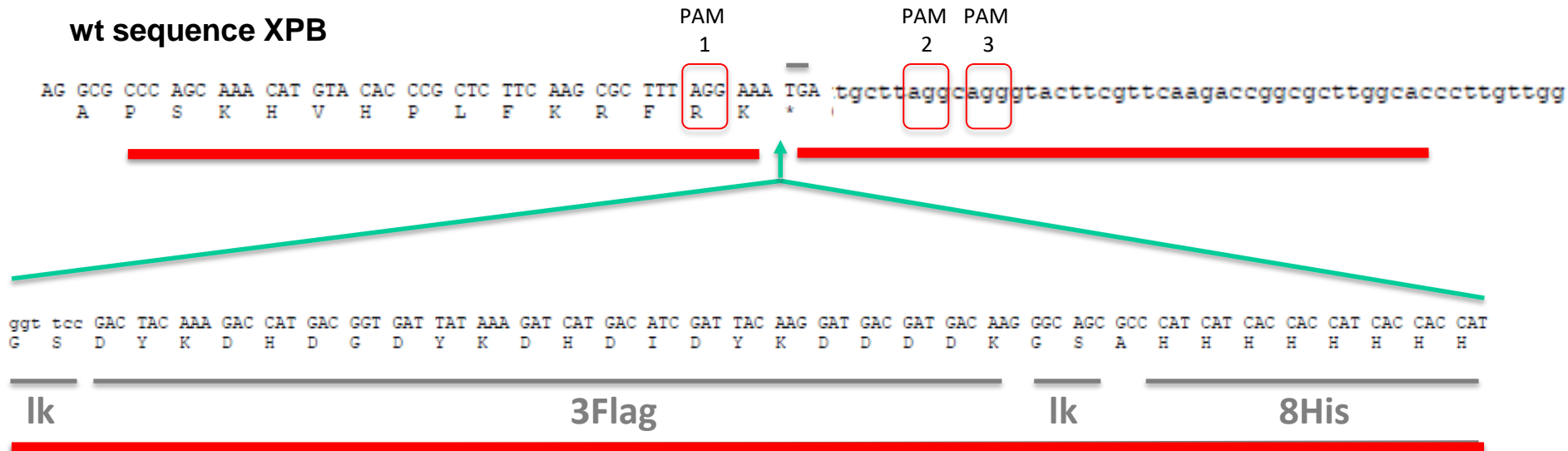
Template DNA design: Plasmid or ssODN



- insertion (*GFP, transgene, ...*)
- point mutation

- insertion (*tag < 120 nt, ...*)
- point mutation

Guide RNA and Template DNA design



Peptide tag insert sequence

Guide RNA

- keep distance between cut and insert position (<20bp)
- avoid guide with unwanted off-targets
- screen for an efficient guide

Template DNA

- 30-60 nt Homology arms
- If possible, test both orientations of ssODN donor
- New genomic sequence should not be cut by guide RNA/Cas9
- 2 PS linkages are added at each ssODN end to improve efficiency

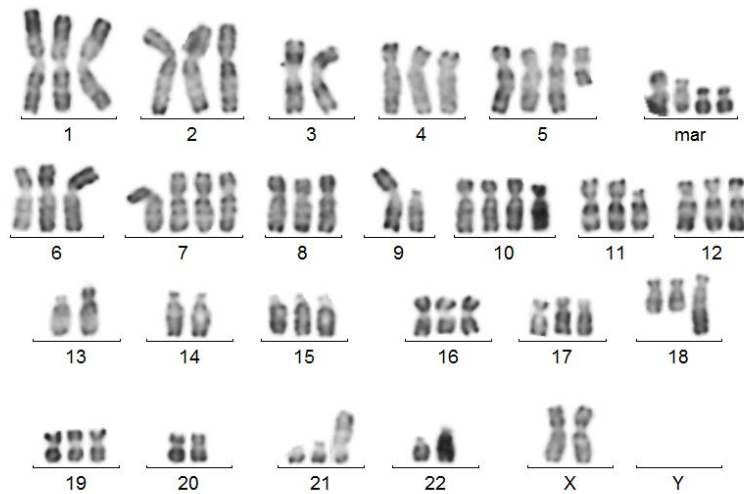
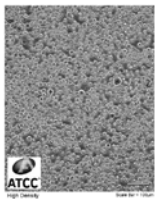
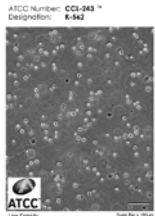


Geny, S & Concordet, JP

K562: an easy to manipulate cell line

Non adherent erythroleucemic cells (K562)

cultivated, expanded, and grown easily
transfected with high efficiency, tolerates limite
permissive to genome editing events



Tagging of the TFIIH XPB subunit

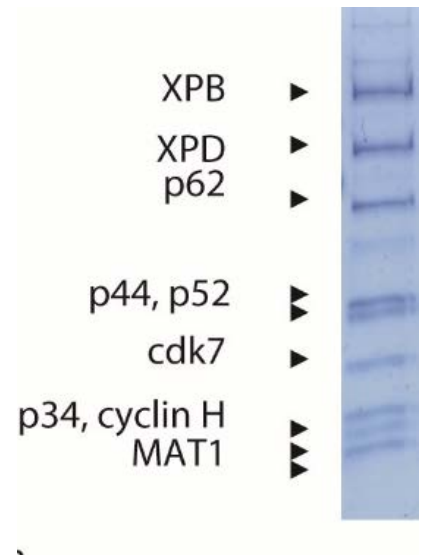
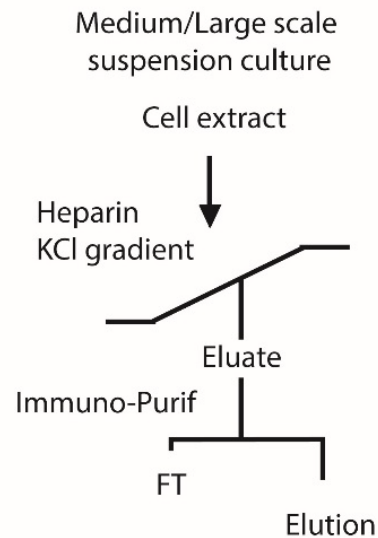
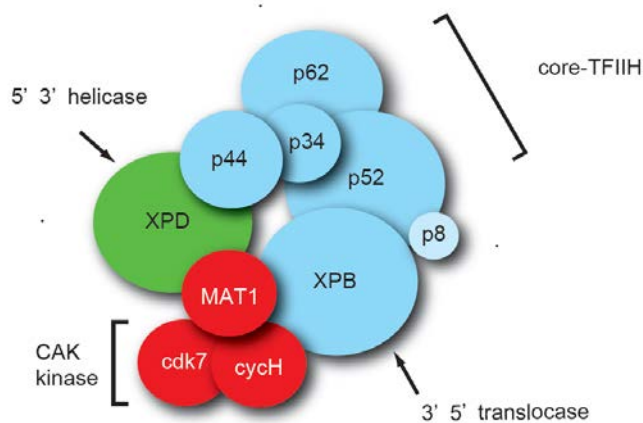
KI K562 XPB-3Flag

c6 c10 c15 c17 c18 c20 c21



1 2 3 4 5 6 7

WB Ab XPB



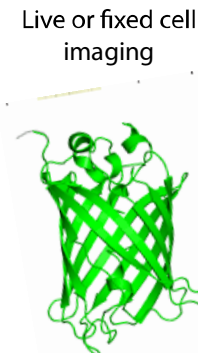
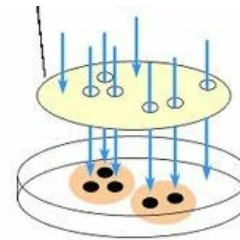
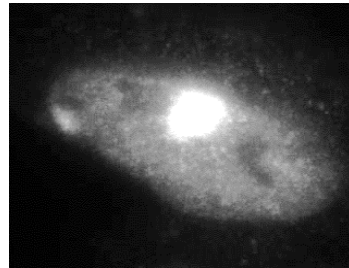
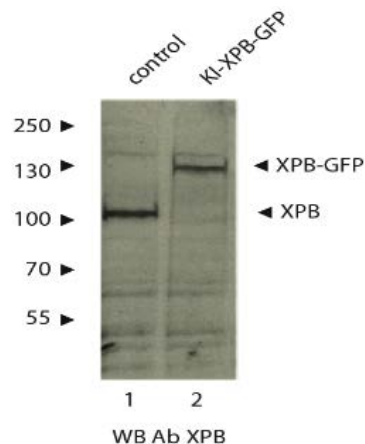
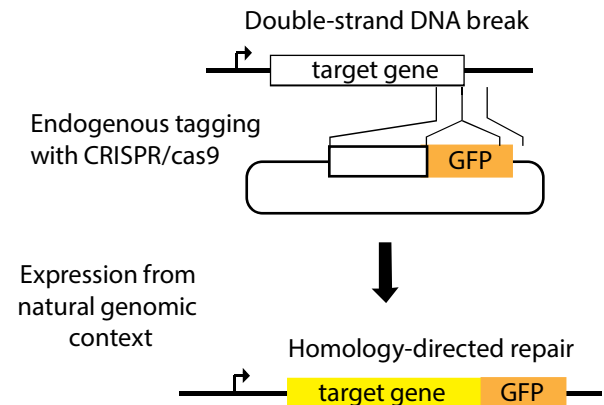
Genome editing to facilitate the purification and characterization of endogenous complexes

Functional characterization
(in vitro assays, CHIPs)

Structural analysis
(X-link-MS, cryo-EM)

Detailed Mass Spectrometry
(PTMs, quantitative MS)

Imaging
(live cell, super-res)



Sample preparation for structural analysis

Recombinant protein expression for structural biology: An overview of popular expression systems

Co-expression system for reconstitution of multiprotein complexes and dissection of protein-protein interaction networks

Genome engineering for labelling mammalian proteins to facilitate isolation of endogenous complexes and their characterization in a cellular environment

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