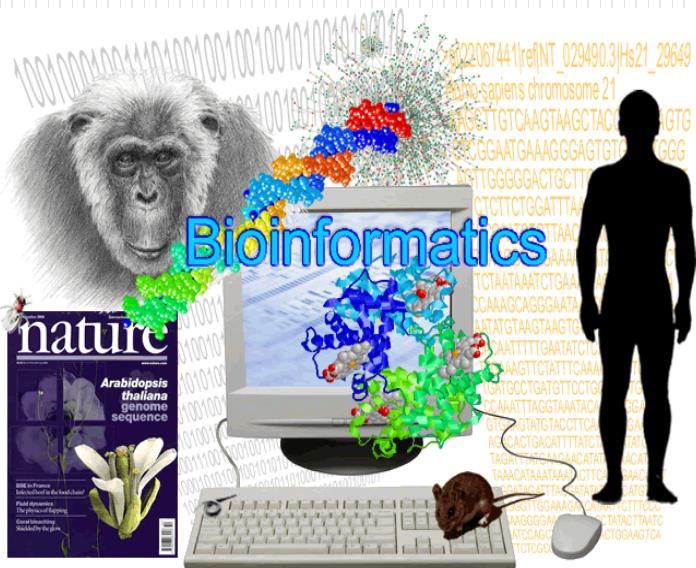


Bioinformatics, Syntenic Biology & Genome Editing



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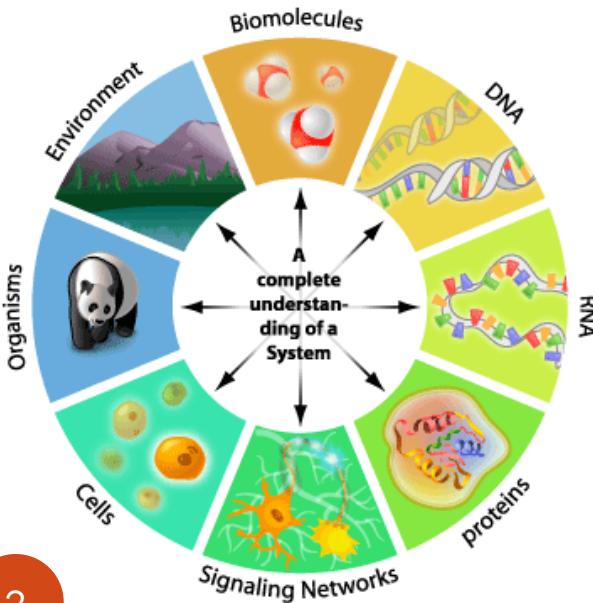
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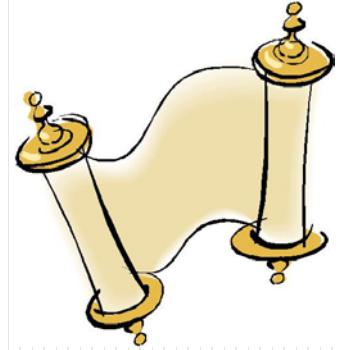
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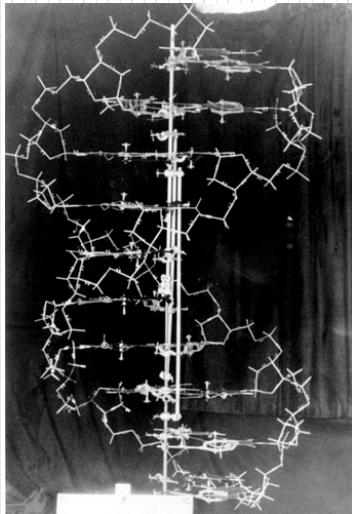


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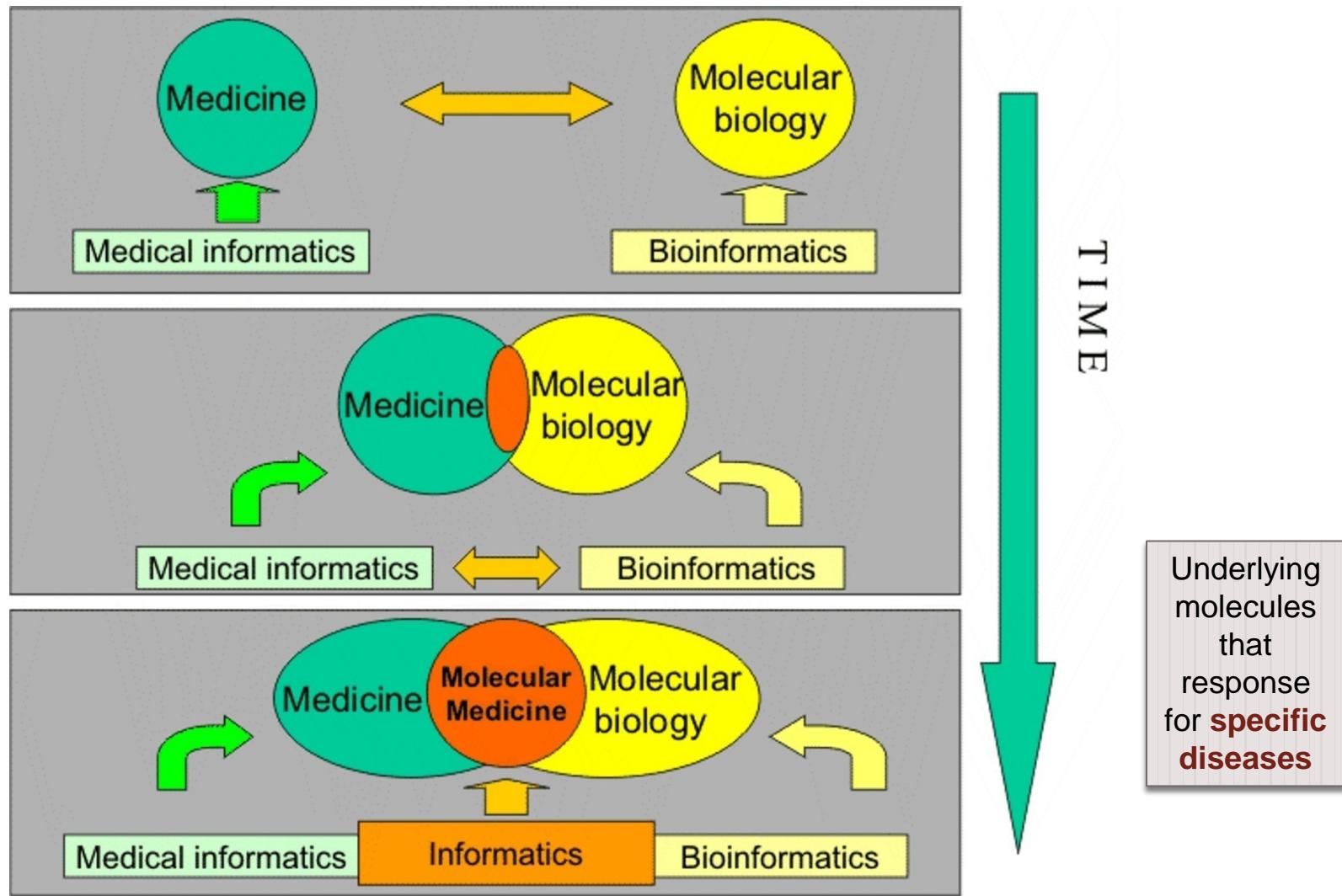
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A Short History about Bioinformatics



The Convergence between MI & BI



Top Ten Medical Breakthroughs – since 1840

Hygiene equipment

Antibiotics

Anesthetic

Vaccine

Discovery of DNA
structure

Microbiology theory

‘The Pill’: the combined
oral contraceptive pill

Evidence-based
Medicine

Medical imagining (e.g.,
X-ray, MRI...)

Computer

Stem cell therapy

根據British Medical Journal 線上意見調查，
自1840年創刊以來，最重要的醫學里程碑

Day 4: Computer Science and Medicine

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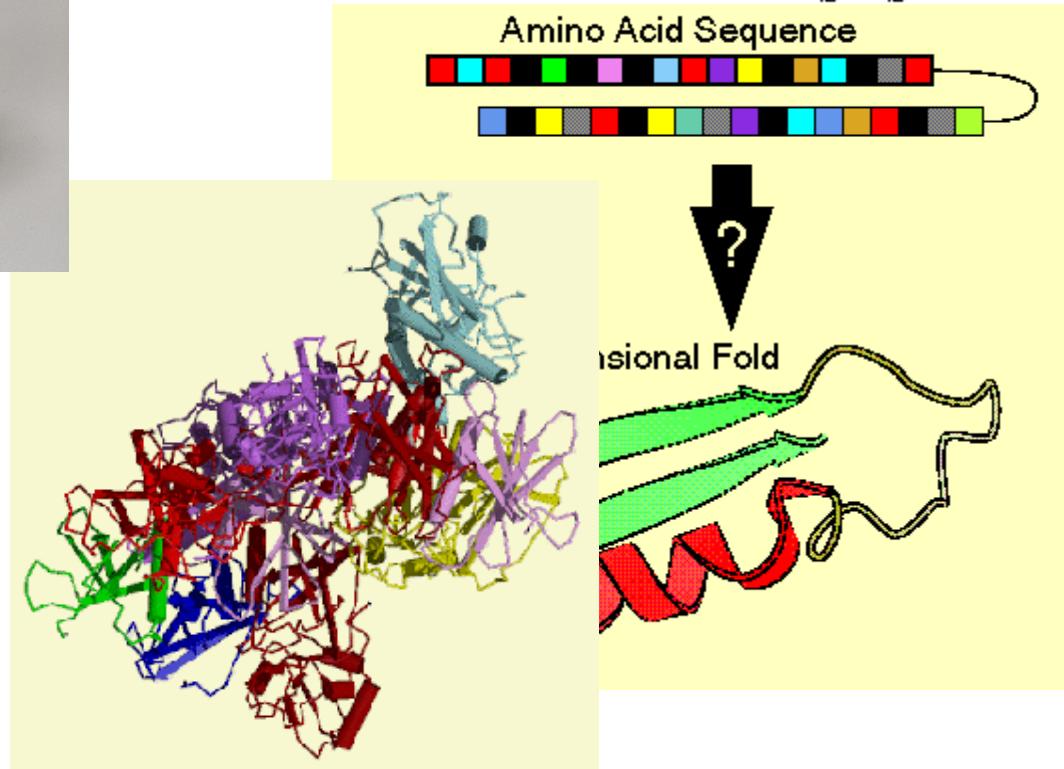


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The Holy Grail of Bioinformatics



...to be able to understand **the words in a sequence sentence** that form a particular protein **structure** (from Attwood & Parry-Smith 1999)

A Short History Overview (I) - Wet

1953: Double helix of DNA (Watson & Crick)

1954: First protein sequence (**insulin** by **Sanger**)

1958: First X-ray 3D structure of a protein (**myoglobin** by Kendrew)

1972: First DNA sequencing

1977: Rapid sequencing techniques (**Gilbert & Sanger**)

1986: PCR (the photocopying machine of the biologist)

1992: Sequence of yeast chromosome III (3×10^5 bp)

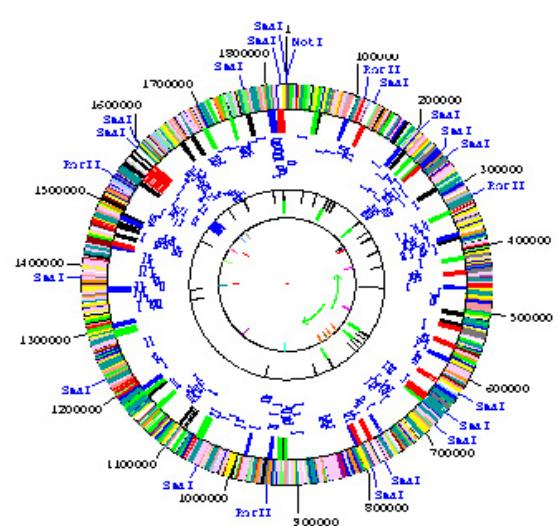
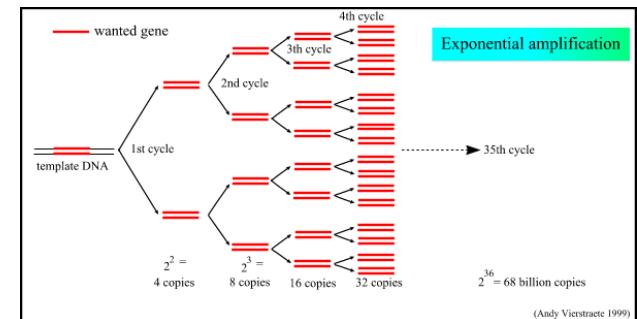
1995: Sequence of the genome of the bacteria: ***Haemophilus influenzae*** (2×10^6 bp)

1999: Sequence of the genome of a multi-cellular organism:
Caenorhabditis elegans (10^8 bp)

2000: Blue draft of the **human genome** (3×10^9 bp)

2002: Genome of ***Ashbya gossypii*** (***Saccharomyces***)

Recent: [GOLD database](#)



A Short History Overview (I) - Dry

1965: «Atlas of protein sequence and structure» (**Dayhoff**)

1967: Fitch WM (Phylogenetic trees)

1970: Needleman/Wunsch (1st similarity search algorithm)

1971: PDB (3D structure database)

1977: Staden (1st sequence analysis software suite)

1980: EMBL Heidelberg

1980: Smith/Waterman algorithm

1982: EMBL Nucleotide Sequence Database and GenBank

1985: CABIOS (1st scientific journal for bioinformatics)

1985: FASTP (ancestor of **FASTA**, Blast, etc.)

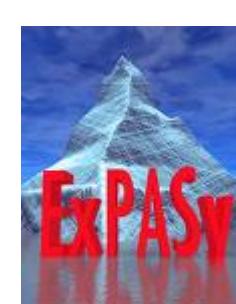
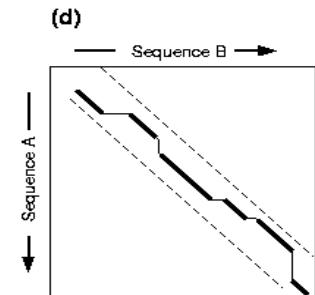
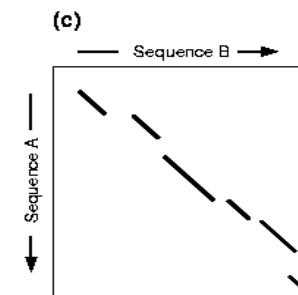
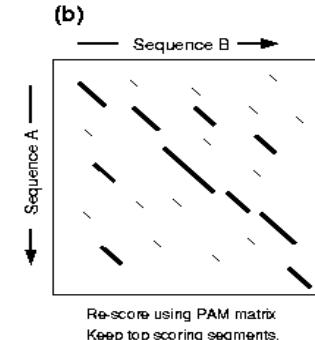
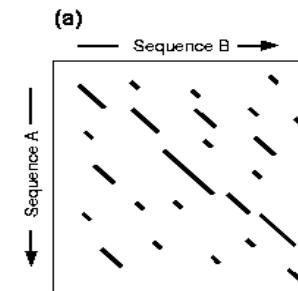
1986: Swiss-Prot (Protein Sequence Database)

1988: Creation of the **NCBI** in the USA

1992: EBI founded as EMBL outstation in **Hinxton** (Wellcome Trust Campus)

1993: **ExPASy** (1st WWW server for the life sciences)...

FASTA Algorithm



Early Bioinformatics: the birth of a discipline – Quzounis CA & Valencia A (2003)

Table 2. Twenty Publications that influenced our view of bioinformatics

Publication	Comments
Zuckerlandl and Pauling, 1965b	First use of molecular sequences for evolutionary studies
Fitch and Margoliash, 1967	Use of molecular sequences to build trees
Needleman and Wunsch, 1970	First implementation of dynamic programming for protein sequence comparison
Lee and Richards, 1971	Calculation of accessibility on protein structures
Chou and Fasman, 1974	First secondary structure prediction method
Tanaka and Scheraga, 1975	Simulation of protein folding
Dayhoff, 1978	First collection of protein sequences
Hagler and Honig, 1978	One of the first explicit attempts to simulate protein folding
Doolittle, 1981	Seminal paper examining divergence and convergence in protein evolution
Felsenstein, 1981	One of the first statistical treatments of evolutionary tree construction
Richardson, 1981a	The most comprehensive description of protein structure to that date
Kabsch and Sander, 1984	Discovery with profound implications for model building by homology and structure prediction
Novotny <i>et al.</i> , 1984	The inability of distinguishing correct from incorrect structures threw back structure prediction approaches for a long while
Chothia and Lesk, 1986	Examination of divergence between sequence and structure
Doolittle, 1986	Influential book on sequence analysis
Feng and Doolittle, 1987	The first approach for an efficient multiple sequence alignment procedure, later implemented in CLUSTAL
Lathrop <i>et al.</i> , 1987	One of the first applications of Artificial Intelligence in protein structure analysis and prediction
Ponder and Richards, 1987	The very first threading approach, using sequence enumeration
Altschul <i>et al.</i> , 1990	The implementation of a sequence matching algorithm based on Karlin's statistical work
Bowie <i>et al.</i> , 1991	The first implementation of protein structure prediction using threading

Bioinformatics: A Snapshot 10 Years Ago

Pharmaceutical companies were **not interested**

Life scientists believed that it was an **outlet** for **failed biologists** that want to play around with computers

Computer scientists did not even consider it important, they confused it with **bio-inspired “computer sciences”**

E.g., **genetic algorithm**, artificial life, **ant algorithm**, neural network

DNA computers...

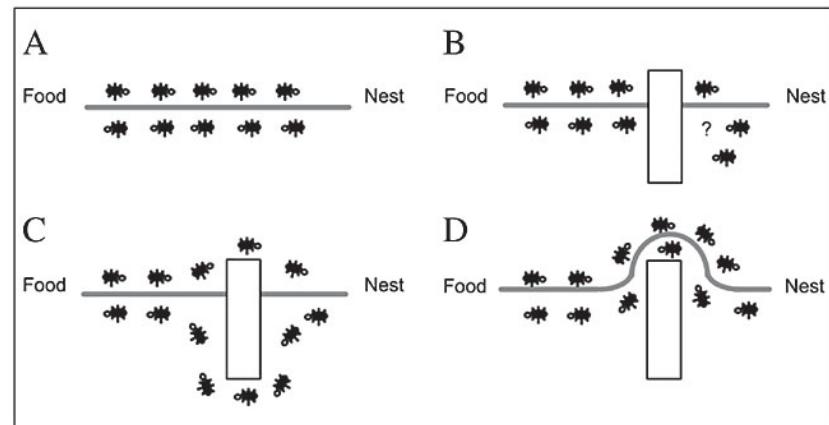
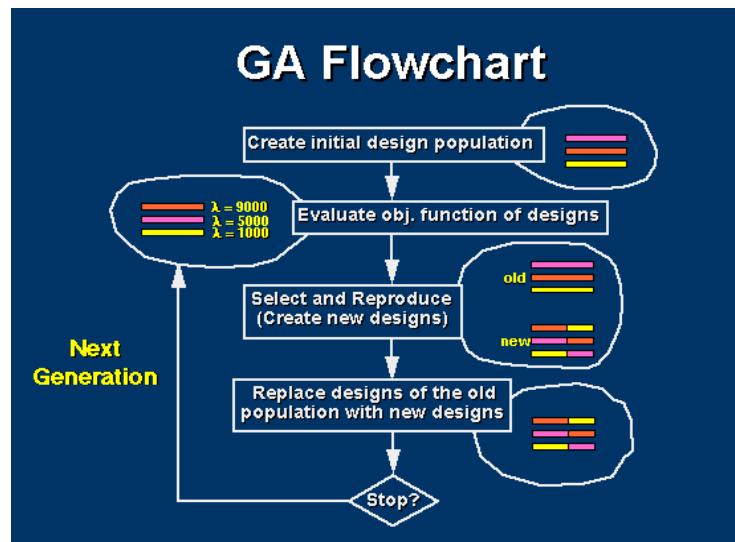


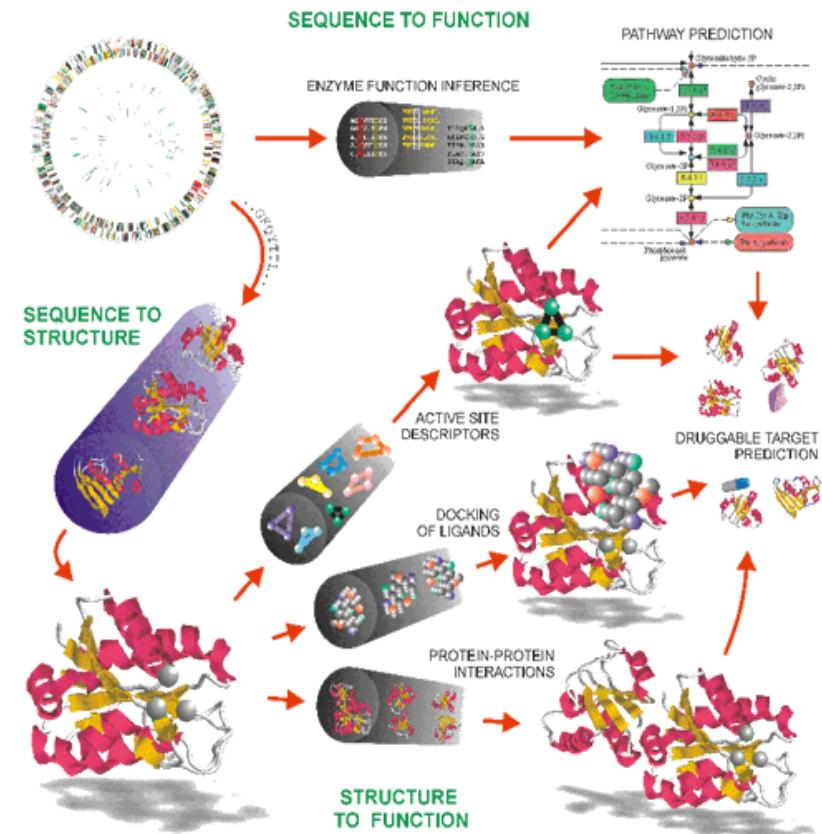
Figure 2. A. Ants in a pheromone trail between nest and food; B. an obstacle interrupts the trail; C. ants find two paths to go around the obstacle; D. a new pheromone trail is formed along the shorter path.

Bioinformatics in 2003

Pharmaceutical companies believe that it is **the most efficient way** to streamline the process of **drug discovery**

Some life scientists believe it is **the solution to all problems in life sciences** and that it will allow them **to avoid** doing **some experiments**

Computer scientists are very interested: **the scope and complexity** of the domain makes it the ideal field of application of **new software techniques** and specialized hardware developments



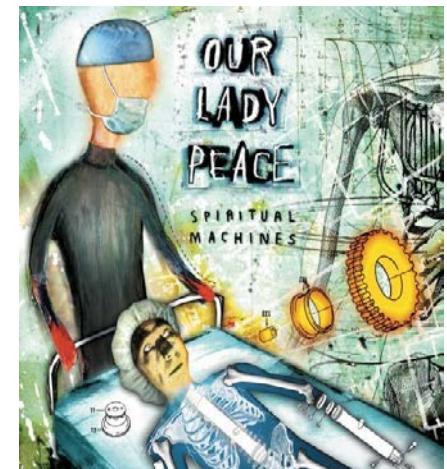
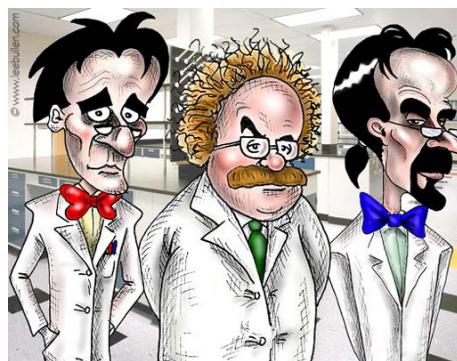


Bioinformatics in 2010

Pharmaceutical companies use it **routinely**, but have realized that it **complements** rather than **replaces** experimental work

Life scientists use it **efficiently every day** and therefore **forget that it exists**

Computer scientists may have jumped on **another fancy subject:** Spiritual machines?



Bioinformatics in 2020

THEME: Innovation with AI and Cognitive Computing

TOPICS OF INTEREST

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:



- Adaptive computation in bioinformatics
- Bio-data visualization
- Bio-inspired computing
- Biological network reconstruction and analysis
- Biomarker discovery
- Computational systems biology
- Coronavirus disease
- Disease classification
- DNA, RNA and protein sequence analysis



- Drug discovery and validation
- Epigenetics/epigenomics
- Epidemiology
- Formal validation of biological systems
- Functional genomics
- Gene expression analysis
- Health informatics
- Human-centric applications
- Medical and biomedical informatics



- Metagenomics data analysis
- Modeling and simulation of biological processes, pathways, etc.
- Molecular evolution and phylogeny
- Next-generation and Third-generation sequencing
- Parallel and distributed computing for life science
- Population genetics
- Proteomics & other omics
- Protein folding
- Translational bioinformatics

Artificial Intelligence

- 一般稱的 AI 其實是 Artificial Intelligence 的縮寫，而這個名字也清楚地表達了它的涵義。
 - 人工智慧的定義其實就是以「人工」編寫的電腦程式，去模擬出人類的「智慧」行為，其中包含模擬人類感官的「聽音辨讀、視覺辨識」、大腦的「推理決策、理解學習」、動作類的「移動、動作控制」等行為。

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Early artificial intelligence
stirs excitement.



MACHINE LEARNING

Machine learning begins
to flourish.



DEEP LEARNING

Deep learning breakthroughs
drive AI boom.



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1960's

1970's

1980's

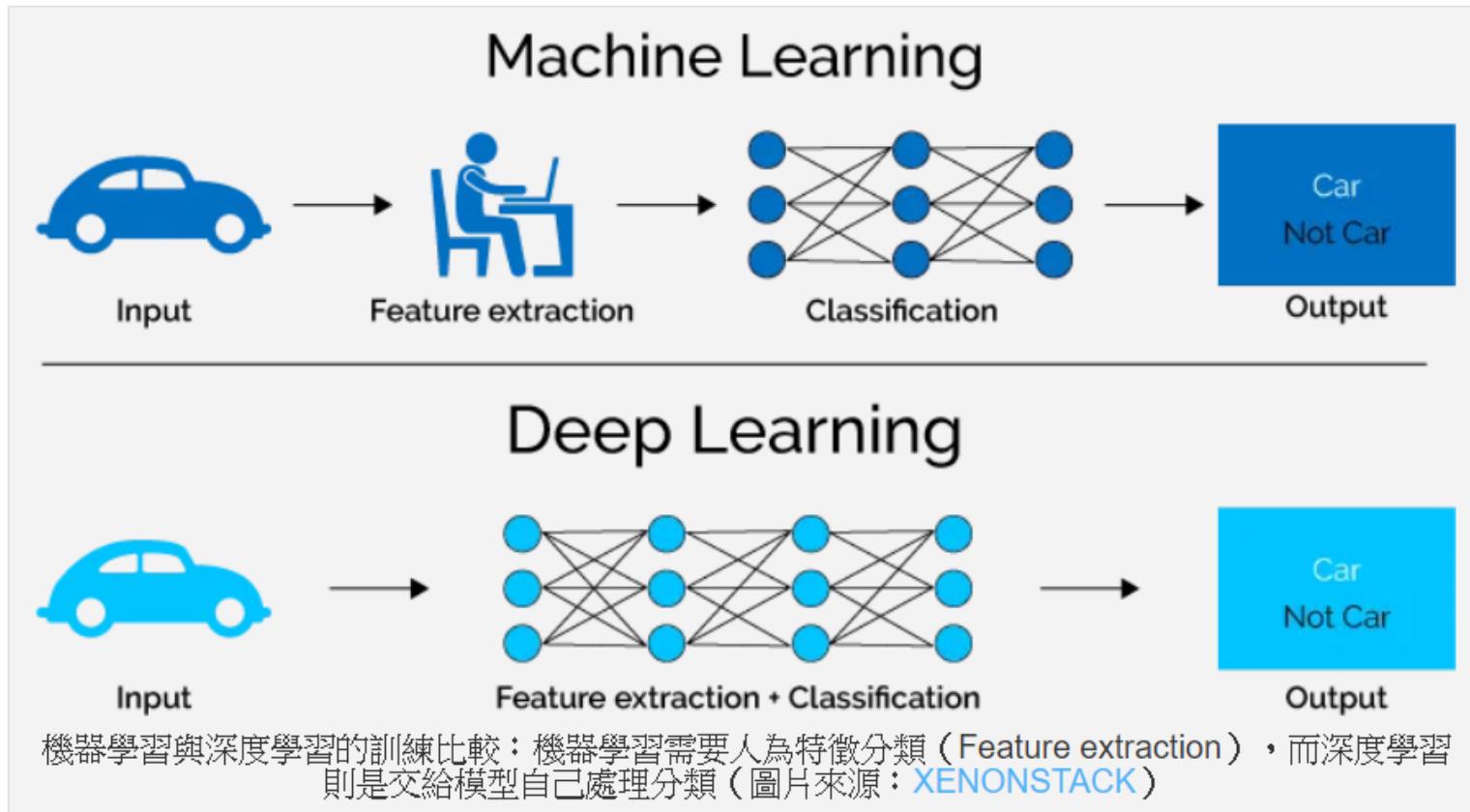
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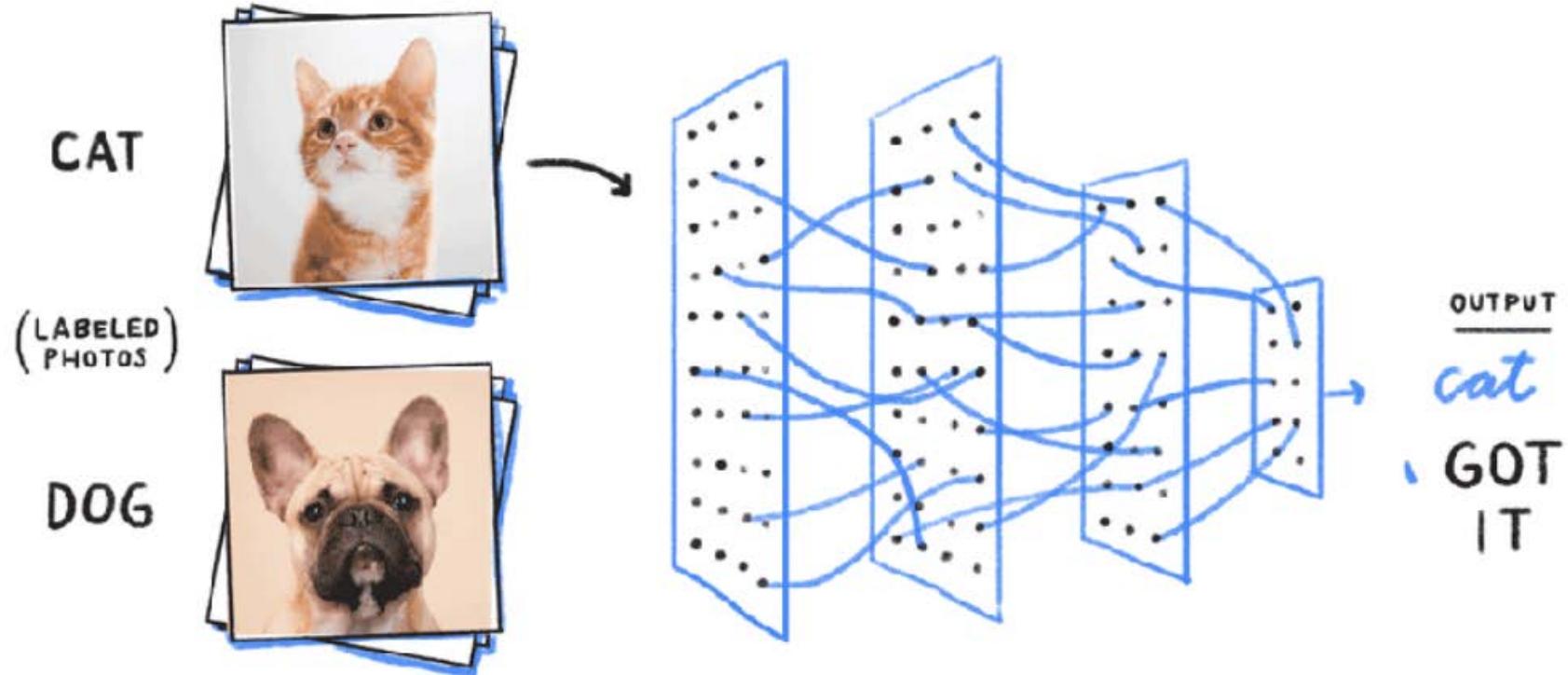
2000's

2010's

AI 演進 (圖片來源：[NVIDIA](#))

我們可以從上面這張圖清楚理解，AI、ML、DL 這三個名詞的關係就像洋蔥一樣層層遞進，機器學習（ML），是人工智能（AI）底下的技術分支，而深度學習（DL）是近年才從機器學習衍伸出的領域，可以比喻為俄羅斯娃娃，一個子領域之中又有更深入的子領域。

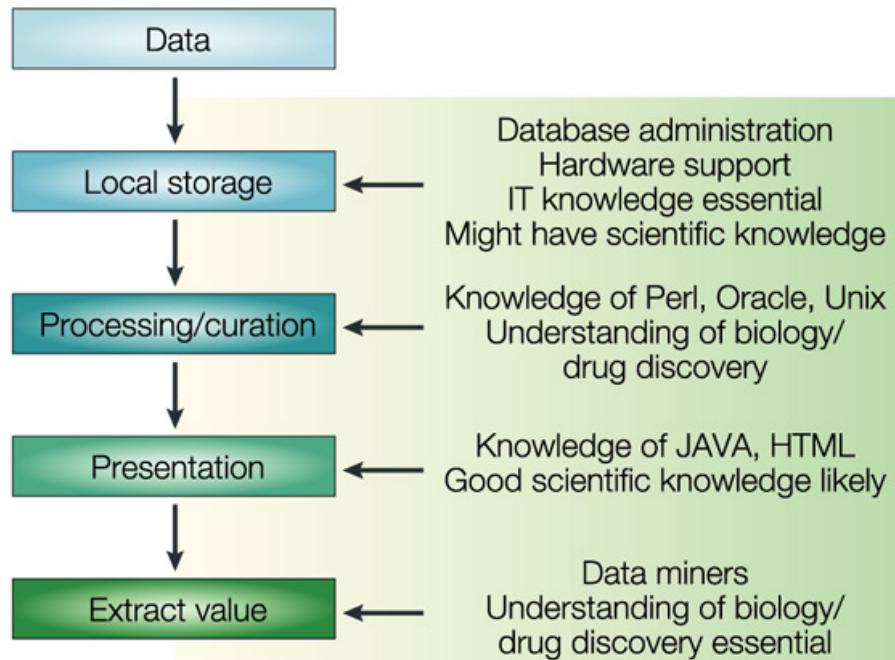




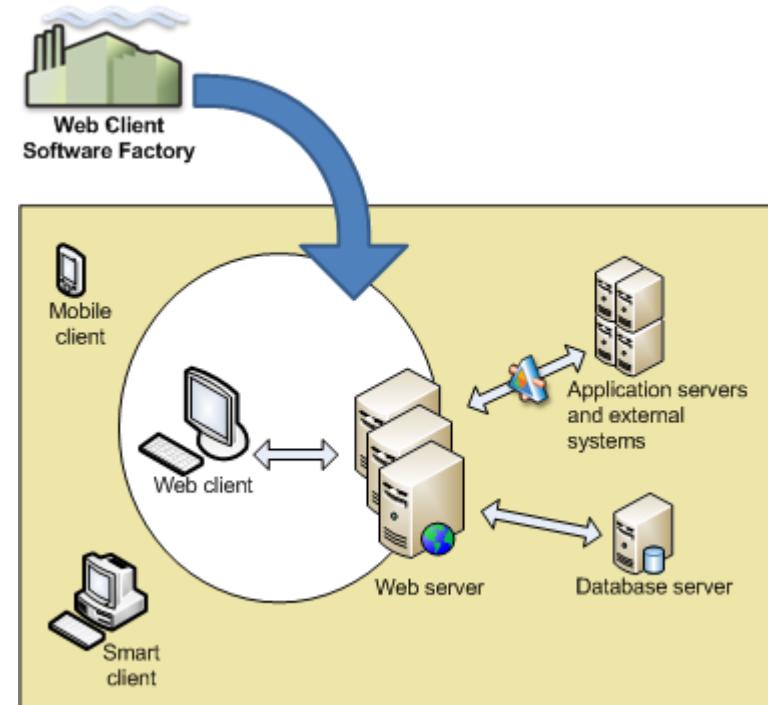
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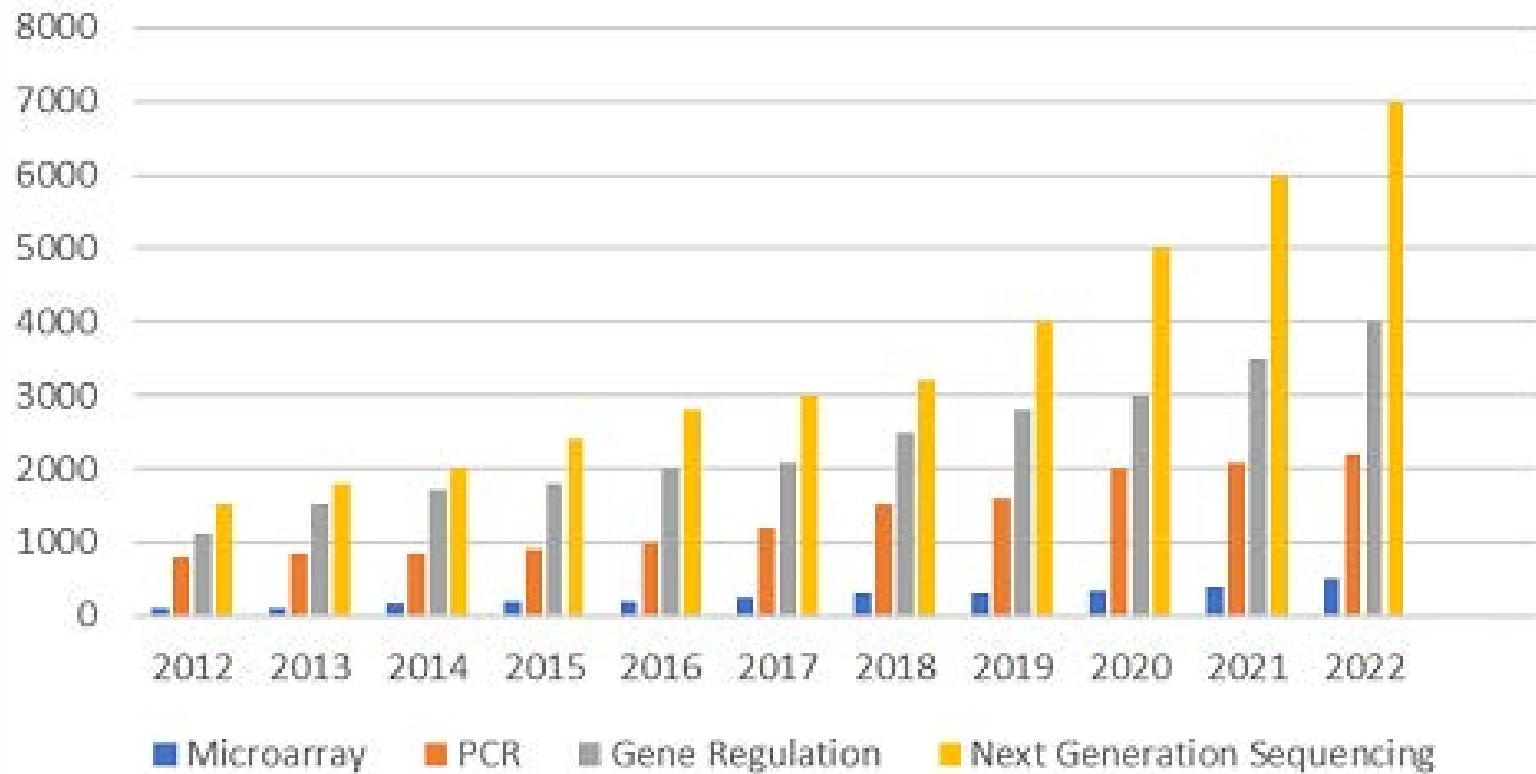
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Nature Reviews | Drug Discovery



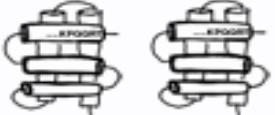
Trancriptomics Technologies Market Analysis



Depth: Rational Drug Design (physicochemical)

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Breadth: Homologs, Large-scale Surveys, Informatics—

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COFFEE BREAK



"Don't just sit there! If you've processed all the data there is, go out and find more data!"

Reproduced in R.L. Weber, "A random walk in science", IOP Publishing, 1973

Case Study



Transmembrane and Coiled-Coil Domain 1 Impairs the AKT Signaling Pathway in Urinary Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma: A Characterization of a Tumor Suppressor



Chien-Feng Li^{1,2,3,4}, Wen-Ren Wu⁵, Ti-Chun Chan^{1,5}, Yu-Hui Wang^{1,6}, Lih-Ren Chen^{4,7,8},
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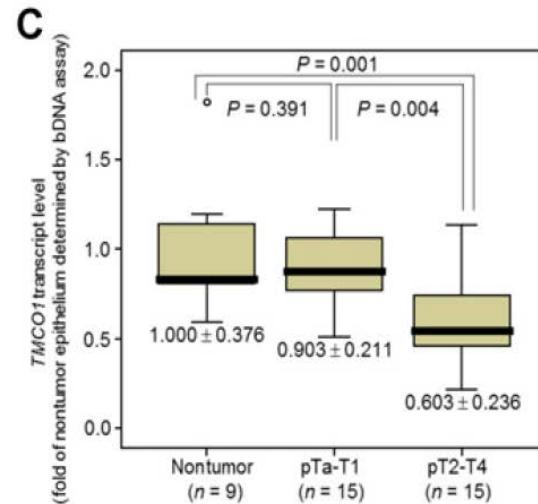
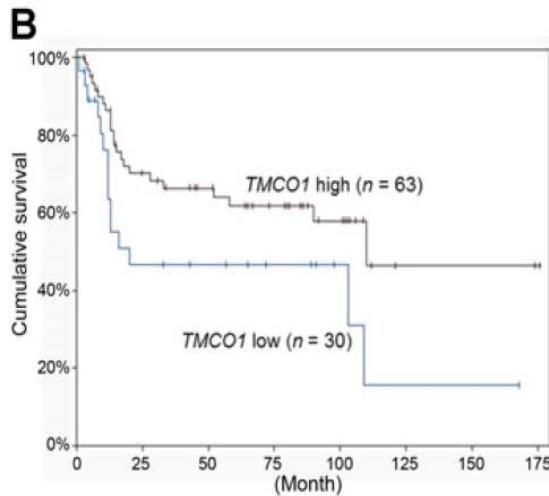
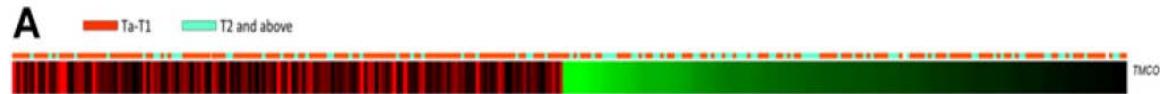
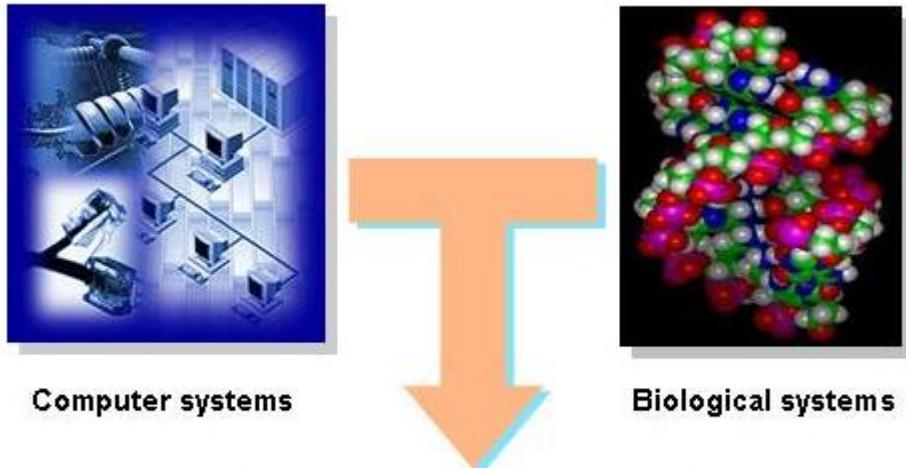
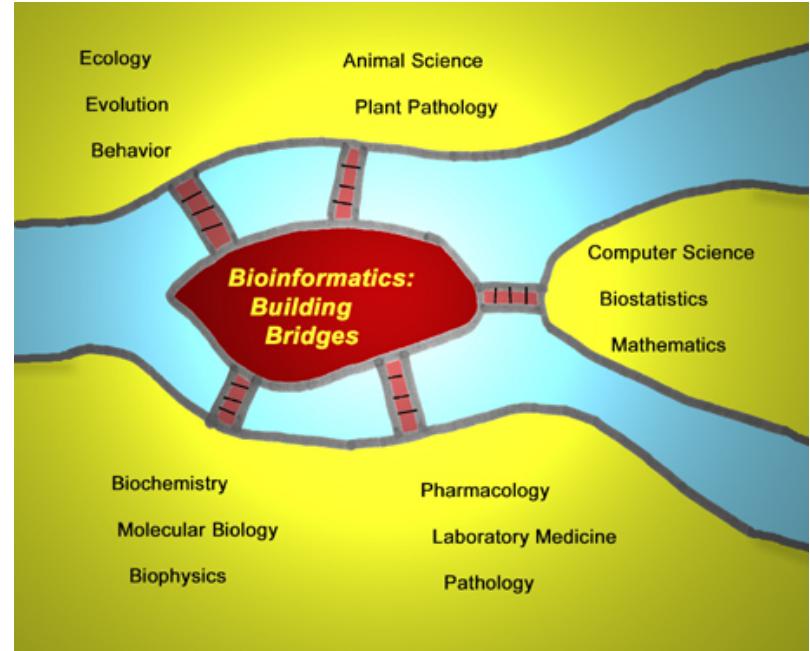


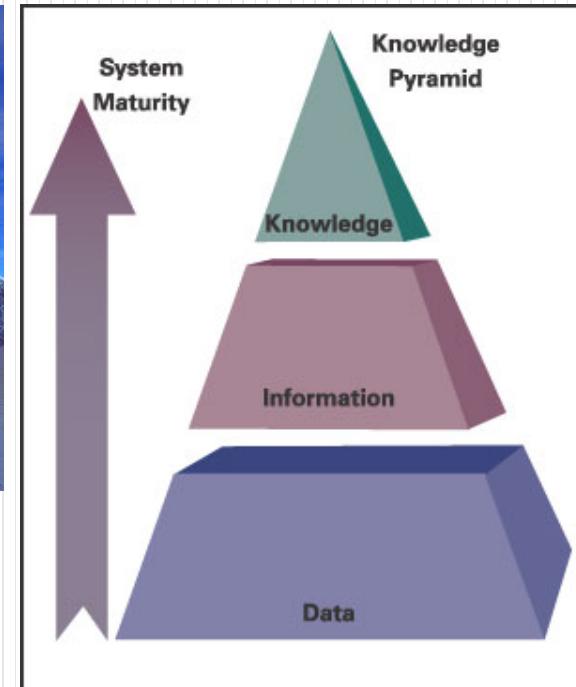
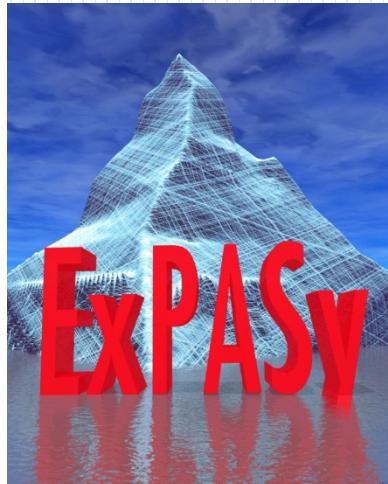
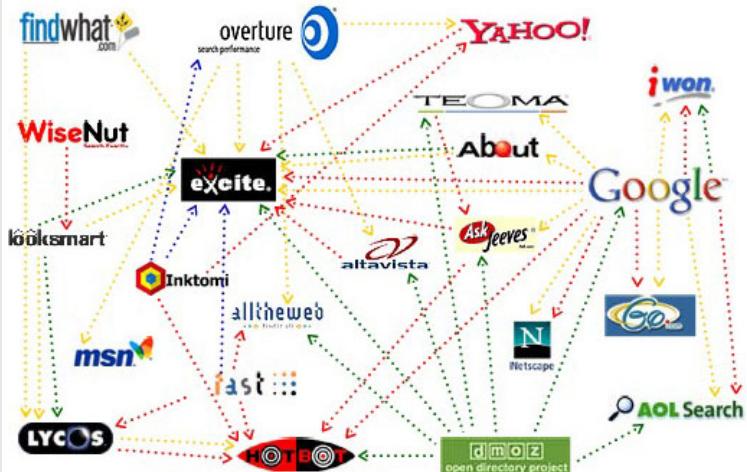
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Downregulation of the *TMCO1* protein predicts poor disease-specific and metastasis-free survivals. **A**, A heatmap shows the data analysis from GSE32894 (GEO dataset), which identified that the *TMCO1* transcript is significantly downregulated ($P = 0.0009$) in muscle-invasive UBUC (blue bars). **B**, The downregulation of the *TMCO1* transcript was also predictive of poor overall survival in an independent dataset (GSE31684, GEO, NCBI; $P = 0.0425$). **C**, Quantitative RT-PCR

Q & A



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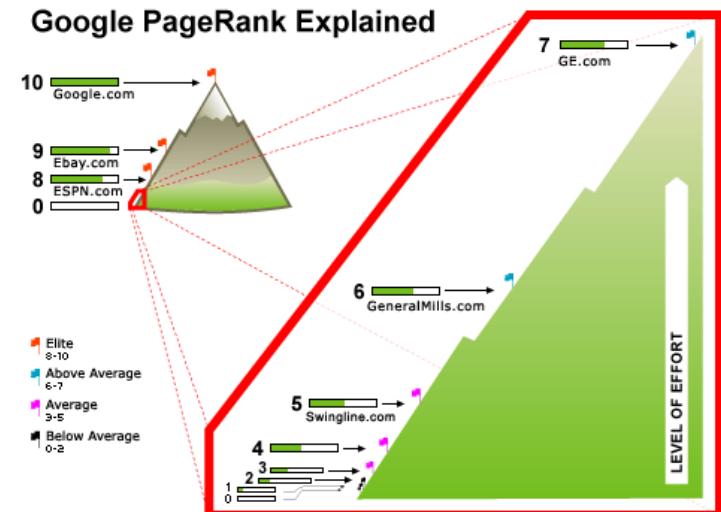
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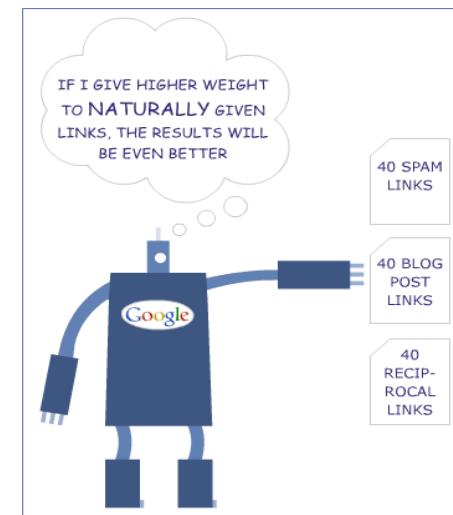
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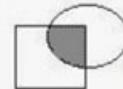
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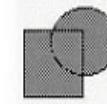
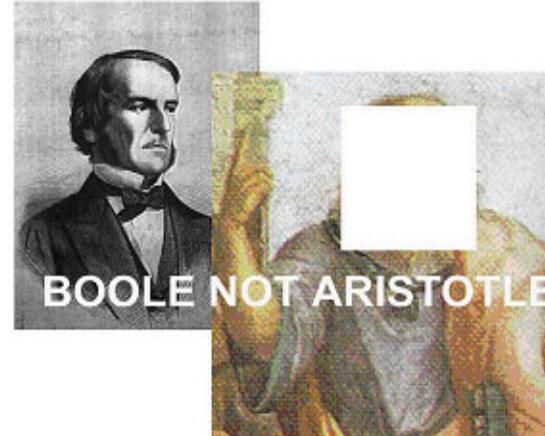
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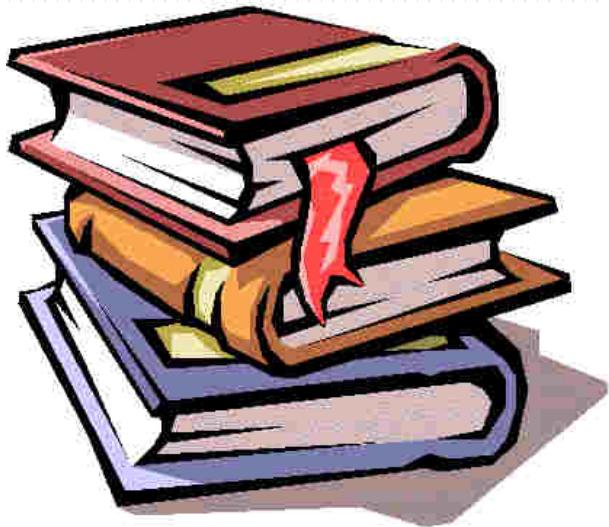
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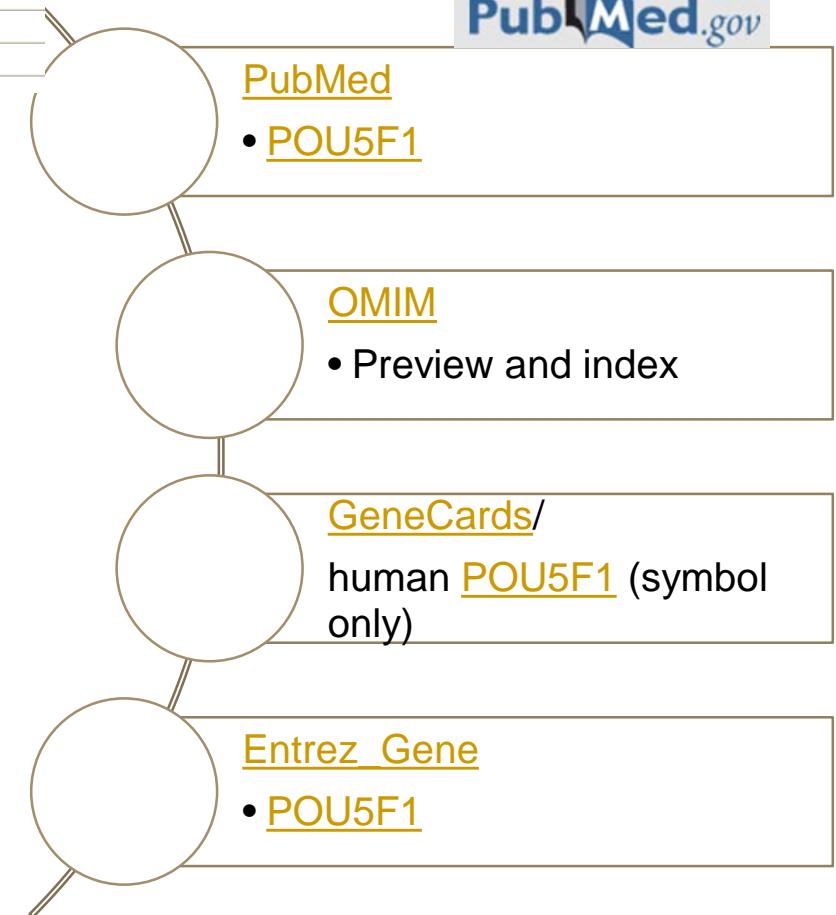


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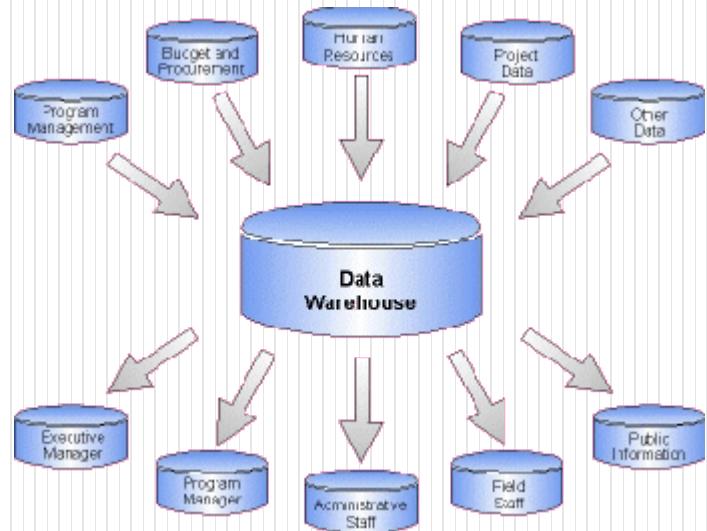
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Q: What is Derivative Databases?



Leading Bioinformatic Centers

NCBI, USA

- To develop **new methods** for integrative, **computer-based data analysis** to mine massive and complex **data sets**

EBI, UK

- The EBI is a centre for **research and services** in **bioinformatics**
- The Institute manages **databases** of **biological data** including **nucleic acid, protein sequences & macromolecular structures**

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This quick tour provides an overview of EMBL-EBI's functional genomics database ArrayExpress. [...]

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Author:

Claire O'Donovan, leader of the Protein Function Content team at EMBL-EBI, gives an introduction into biocuration and talks about what it is like to work as a biocurator and the skill sets you need. [...]

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Founded 1988

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To develop **new information technologies** to aid our understanding of the **molecular** and **genetic processes** that underlie **health and disease**



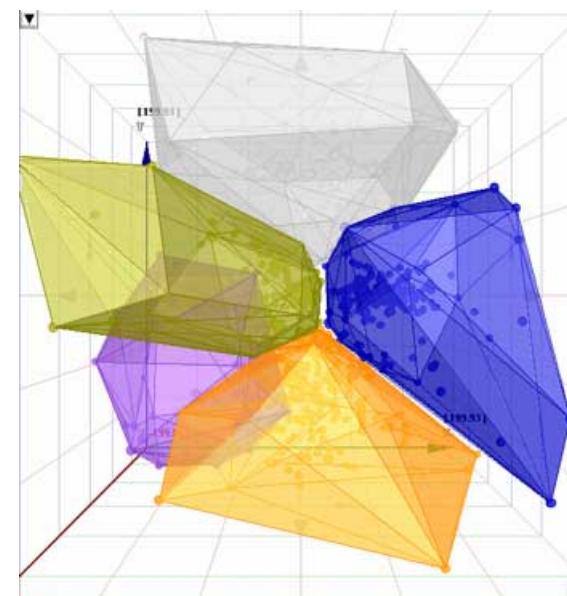
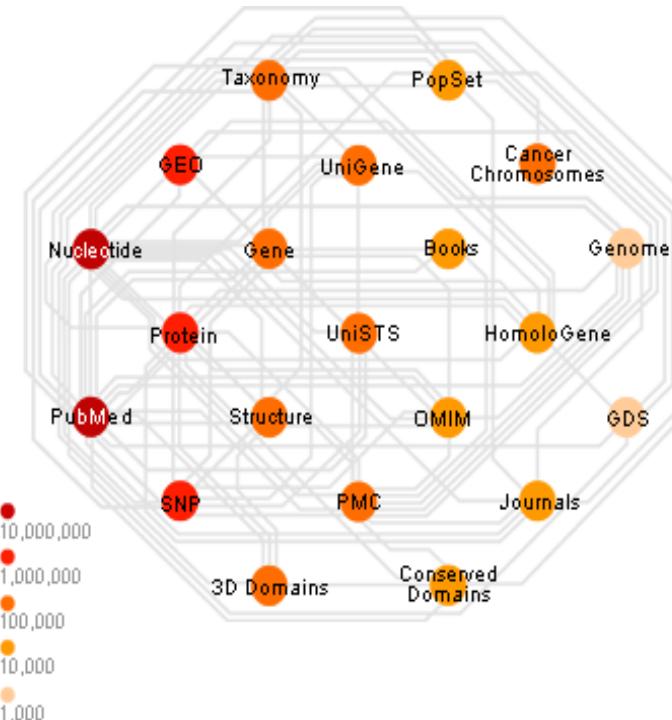
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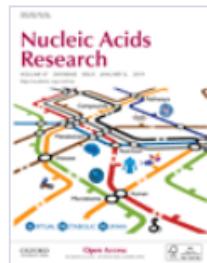
- Primary vs. derivative databases
- Value-added

Methodologies (tools)

- Tools: e.g., [BLAST](#), [NCBI](#)
- Algorithms
 - Neural network (NN)
 - Self-organizing map (SOM)
 - **Hidden Markov Model** (HMM)
 - K-means clustering



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Abstract

The 2019 Nucleic Acids Research (NAR) Database Issue contains 168 papers spanning molecular biology. Among them, 64 are new and another 92 are updates describing resources that appeared in the Issue previously. The remaining 12 are updates on databases most recently published elsewhere. This Issue contains two Breakthrough articles, on the Virtual Metabolic Human (VMH) database which links human and gut microbiota metabolism with diet and disease, and Vibrism DB, a database of mouse brain anatomy and gene (co-)expression with sophisticated visualization and session sharing.

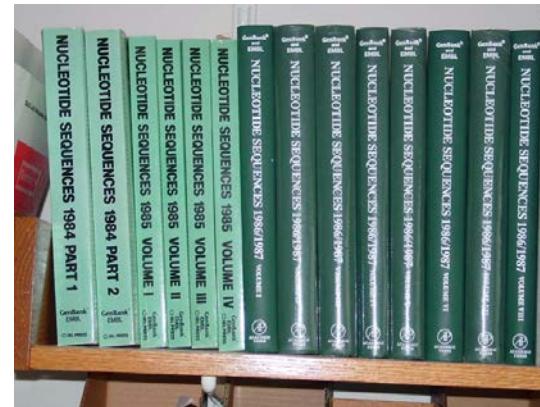
Primary vs. Derivative Databases - NCBI

Primary databases

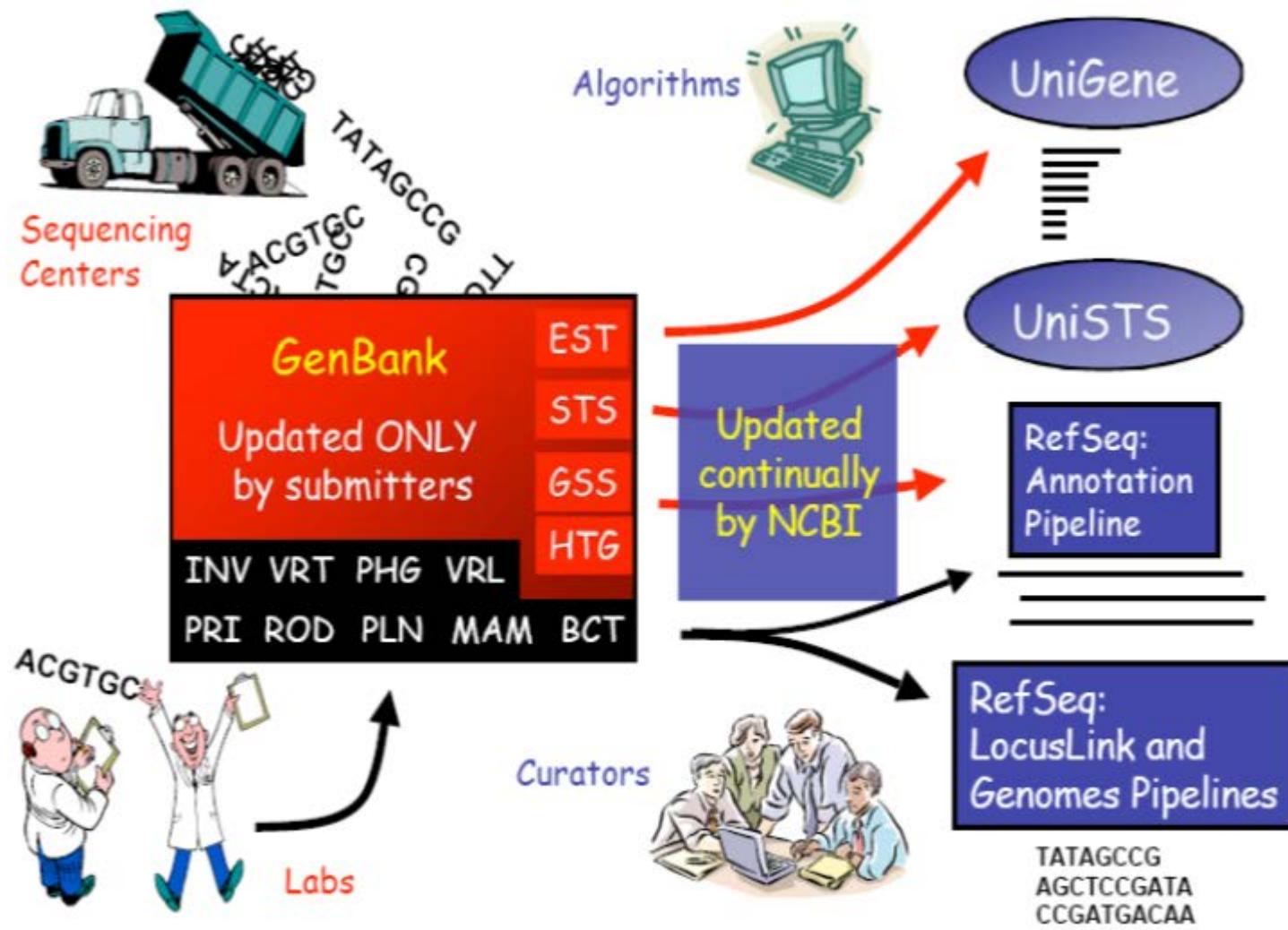
- Original submissions by experimentalists
- Submitters retain editorial control of records
- Archival in nature

Derivative databases

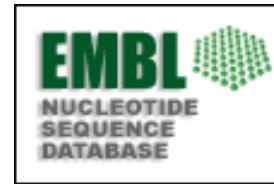
- Curated by NCBI staffs
- NCBI retains editorial control of records
- Record content is updated continually



Primary vs. Derivative Databases - NCBI



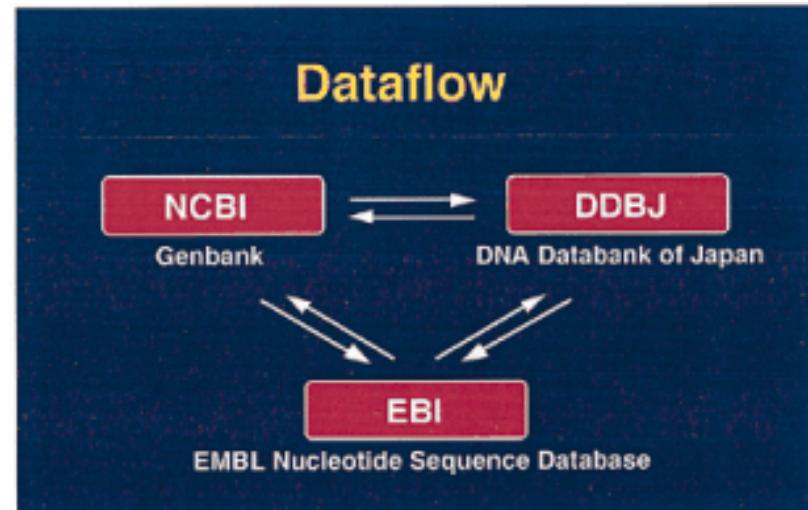
Primary DNA Databases



GenBank (USA)

EMBL (Europe)

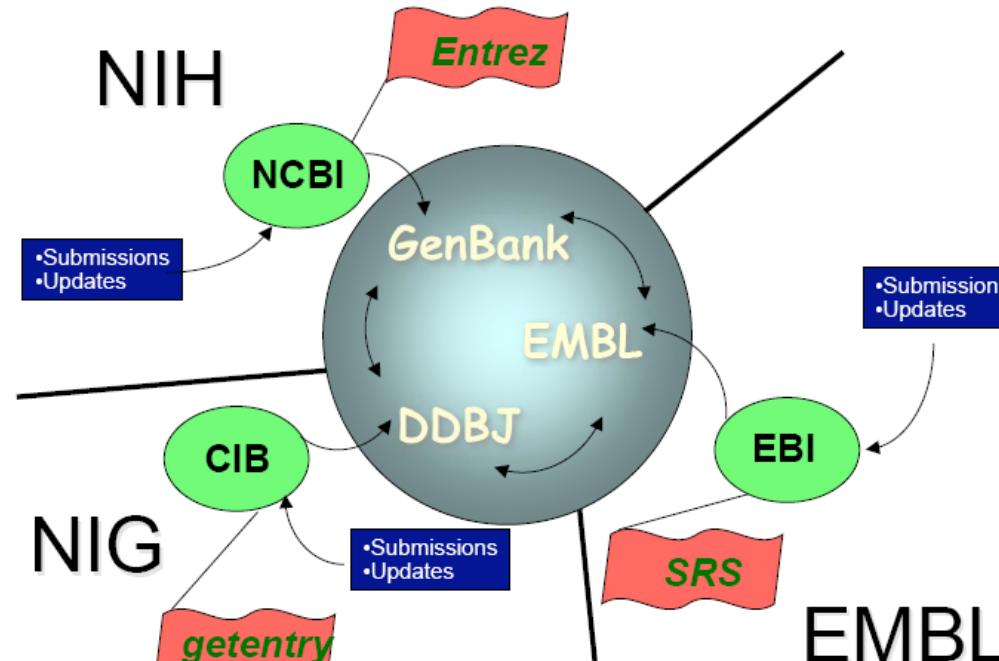
DDBJ (Japan)



National Institute of Health (**NIH**)

National Center for Biotechnology (**NCBI**)

Retrieval System Across all Databases in NCBI (**ENTREZ**)



National Institute of Genetics
(**NIG**)

Center for Information Biology
(**CIB**)



Research Organization of Information and Systems
National Institute of Genetics



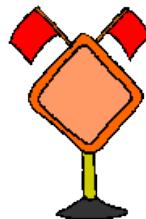
The European Bioinformatics
Institute (**EBI**)

Sequence Retrieval System
(**SRS**)

The European Molecular
Biology Laboratory (**EMBL**)

EMBL/GenBank/DDBJ Annotations

Warning!!!



DNA
data
base
annot
ations
are
**full of
errors**

In sequences, in annotations, in
CDs attribution...

No consistency of annotations

Most annotations are done by the
submitters

Heterogeneity of quality and
updating



Some Interesting Sequence Annotation

FT source 1..124
FT /db_xref="taxon:4097"
FT /organelle="plastid:chloroplast"
FT /organism="Nicotiana tabacum"
FT /isolate="**Cuban cahibo cigar, gift from President Fidel Castro**"
FT

Or:

FT source 1..17084
FT /chromosome="complete mitochondrial genome"
FT /db_xref="taxon:9267"
FT /organelle="mitochondrion"
FT /organism="**Didelphis virginiana**" ???
FT /dev_stage="adult"
FT /isolate="**fresh road killed individual**"
FT /tissue_type="liver"

Organization of GenBank: Traditional Divisions

Records are divided into 18 Divisions.

- 12 Traditional
- 6 Bulk

Traditional Divisions:

- Direct Submissions
(Sequin and BankIt)
- Accurate
- Well characterized

PRI Primate
PLN Plant and Fungal
BCT Bacterial and Archeal
INV Invertebrate
ROD Rodent
VRL Viral
VRT Other Vertebrate
MAM Mammalian
PHG Phage
SYN Synthetic(cloning vectors)
ENV Environmental Samples
UNA Unannotated

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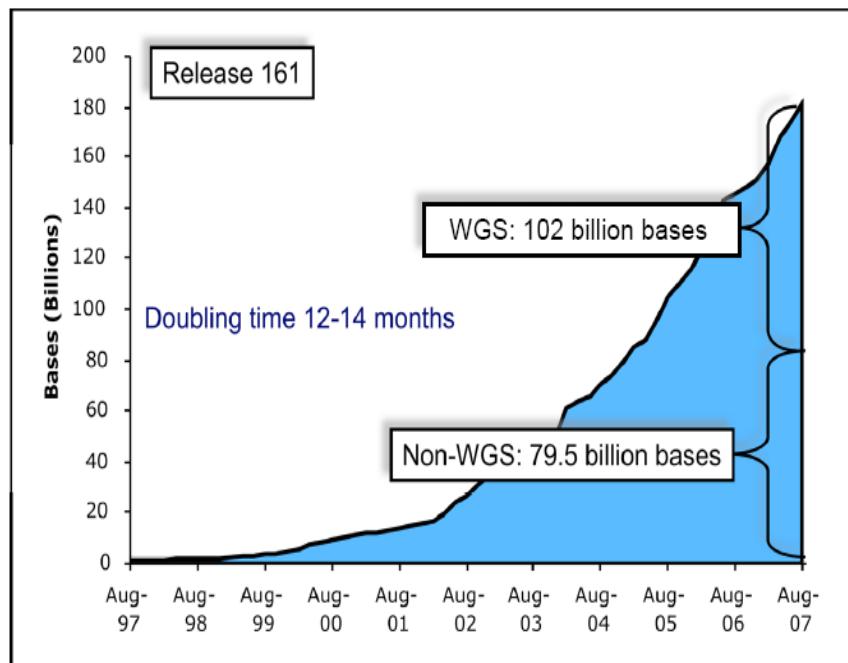
Bulk GenBank Divisions

Batch submission &
htg (email & ftp)

Inaccurate & poorly
characterized

- **EST:** Expressed Sequence Tag
- **GSS:** Genome Survey Sequence
- **HTG:** High Throughput Genome
- **HTC:** High Throughput cDNA
- **STS:** Sequence Tagged Site

The Growth of GenBank



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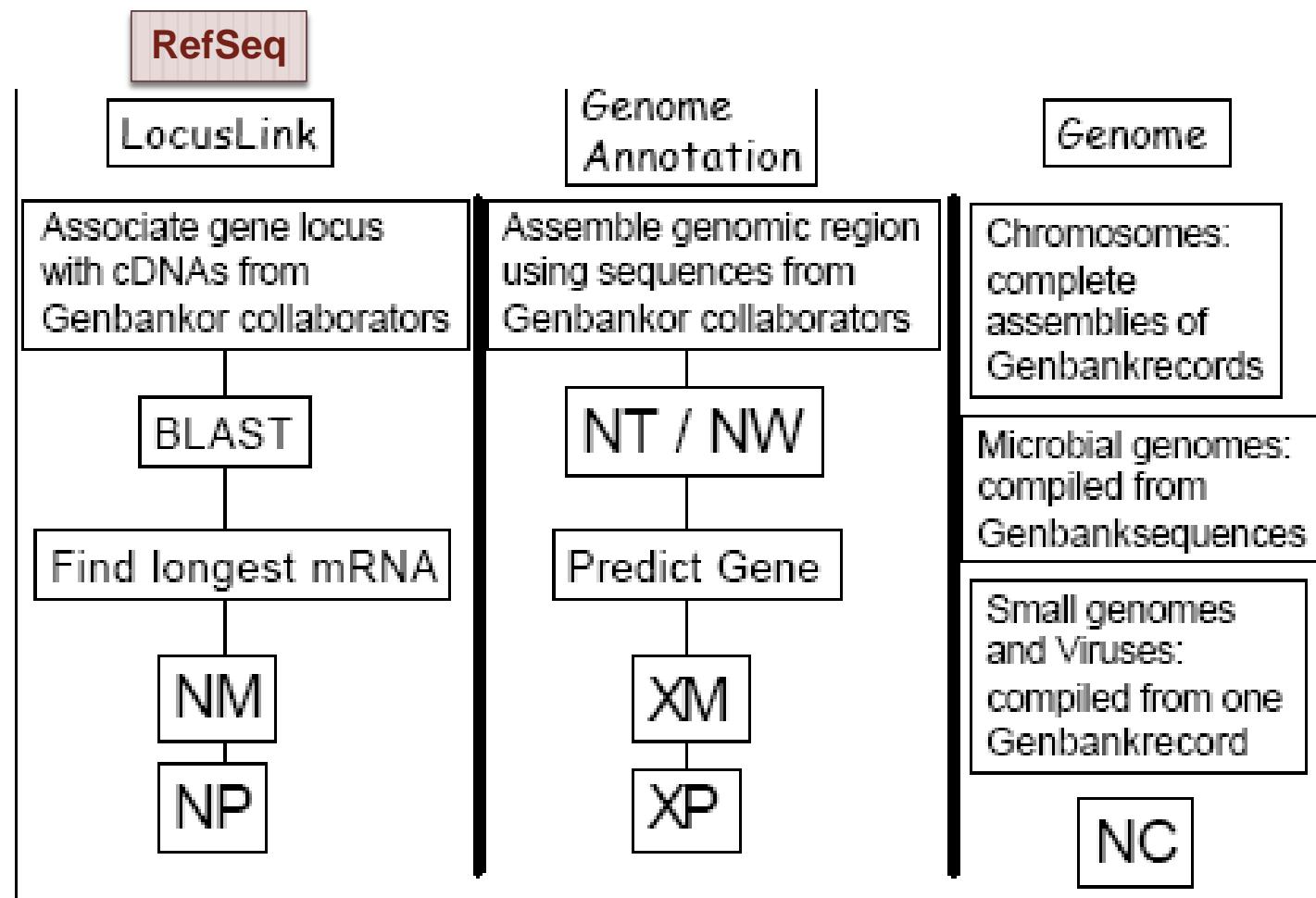
- Batch Submission
(Email and FTP)
- Inaccurate
- Poorly characterized



- EST Expressed Sequence Tag
- GSS Genome Survey Sequence
- HTG High Throughput Genomic
- STS Sequence Tagged Site
- HTC High Throughput cDNA
- PAT Patent

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RefSeq Pipelines



Selected RefSeq Accession Number

mRNAs and Proteins

NM_123456

Curated mRNA

NP_123456

Curated Protein

NR_123456

Curated non-coding RNA

XM_123456

Predicted mRNA

XP_123456

Predicted Protein

XR_123456

Predicted non-coding RNA

Gene Records

NG_123456

Reference Genomic Sequence

Chromosome

NC_123455

Microbial replicons, organelle
genomes, human chromosomes

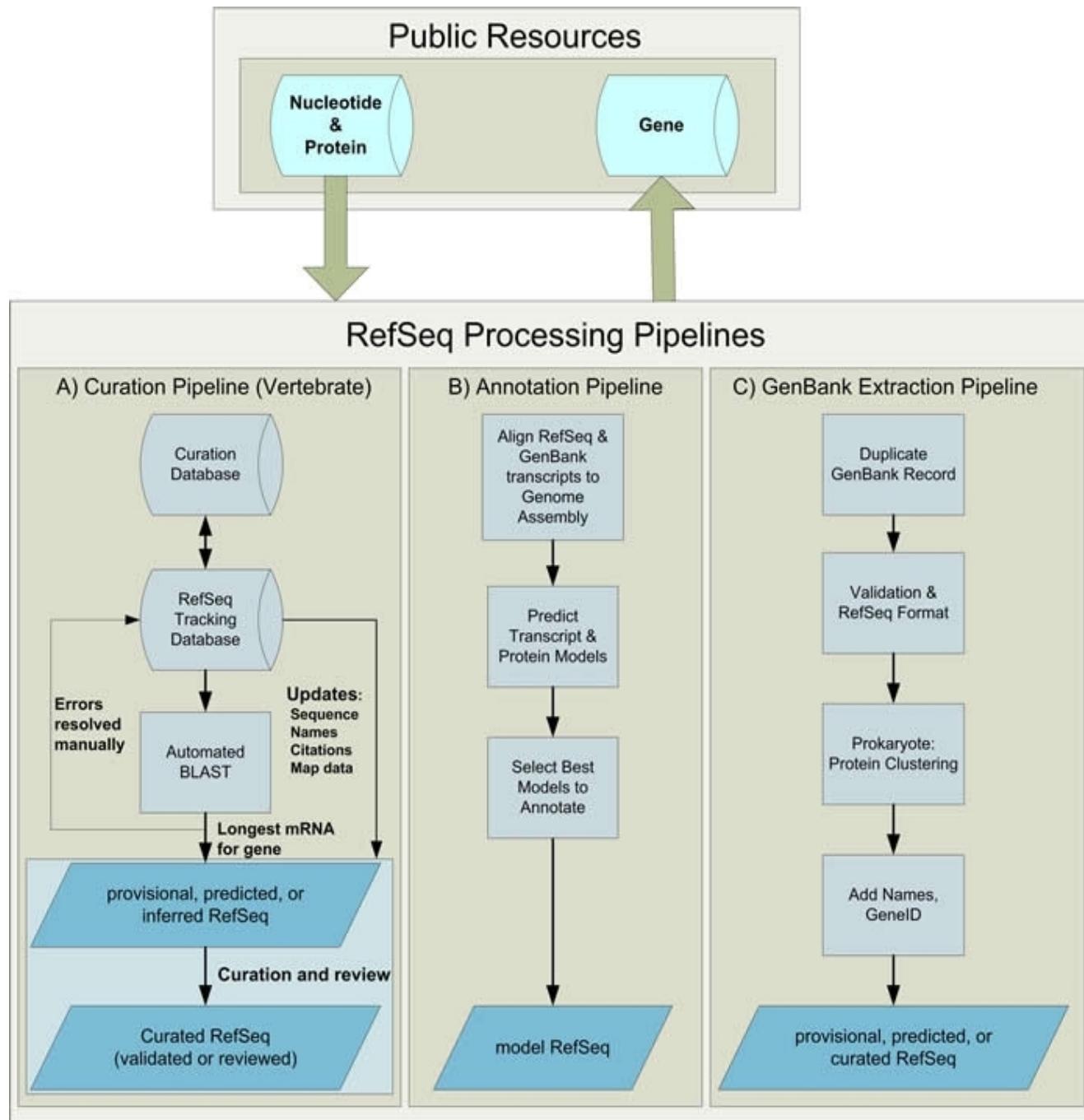
Assemblies

NT_123456

Contig

NW_123456

WGS Supercontig



RefSeq: NCBI's Derivative Sequence Database

- Curated transcripts and proteins
 - reviewed
 - human, mouse, rat, fruit fly, zebrafish, arabidopsis microbial genomes (proteins), and more
- Model transcripts and proteins
- Assembled Genomic Regions (contigs)
 - human genome – chicken
 - mouse genome – honeybee
 - rat genome – sea urchin
- Chromosome records
 - Human genome
 - microbial
 - organelle

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srcdb_refseq[Properties]
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ftp://ftp.ncbi.nih.gov/refseq/release/
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RefSeq Benefits



Non-redundancy

Explicitly linked nucleotide & protein sequences

Updates to reflect current sequence data & biology

Data **validation**

Format **consistency**

Distinct **accession** series

Stewardship by **NCBI staffs & collaborators**



interact with consistency

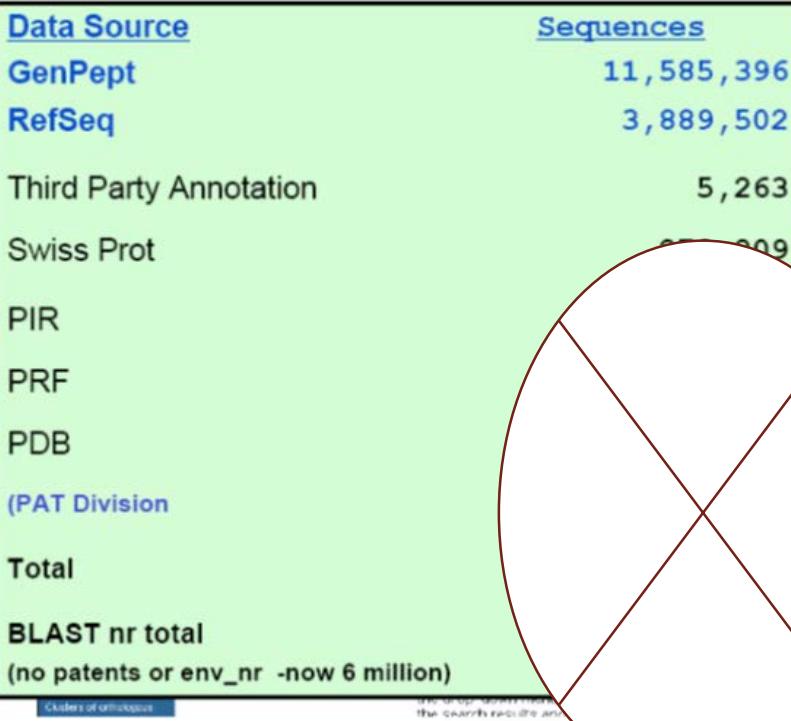
Entrez Protein: Derivative Databases

Example: CKS1B

CDS

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/note="CDC28 protein kinase 1; CDC28 protein kinase 1B;
cell division control protein CKS1; NB4
apoptosis/differentiation related protein; PNAS-143;
CDC2-associated protein CKS1; CKS-1"
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exon



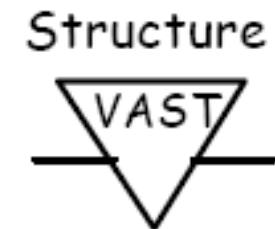
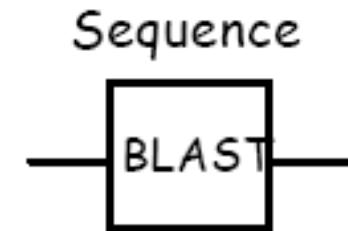
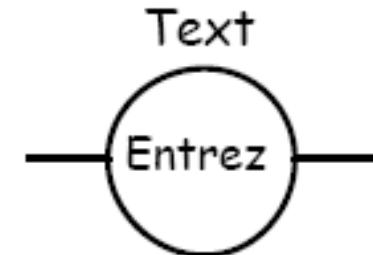
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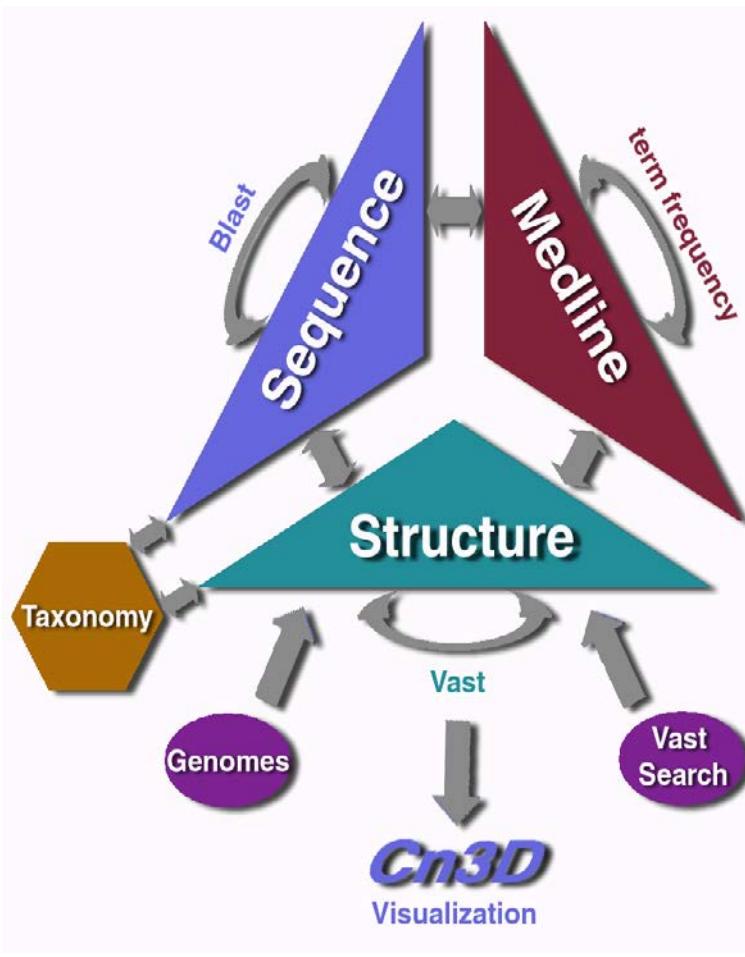
Search in NCBI Databases

Searches **Text:** e.g., *POU5F1* (Oct3/4);

Sequence: e.g., *POU5F1*

Structure: e.g., BRCA1



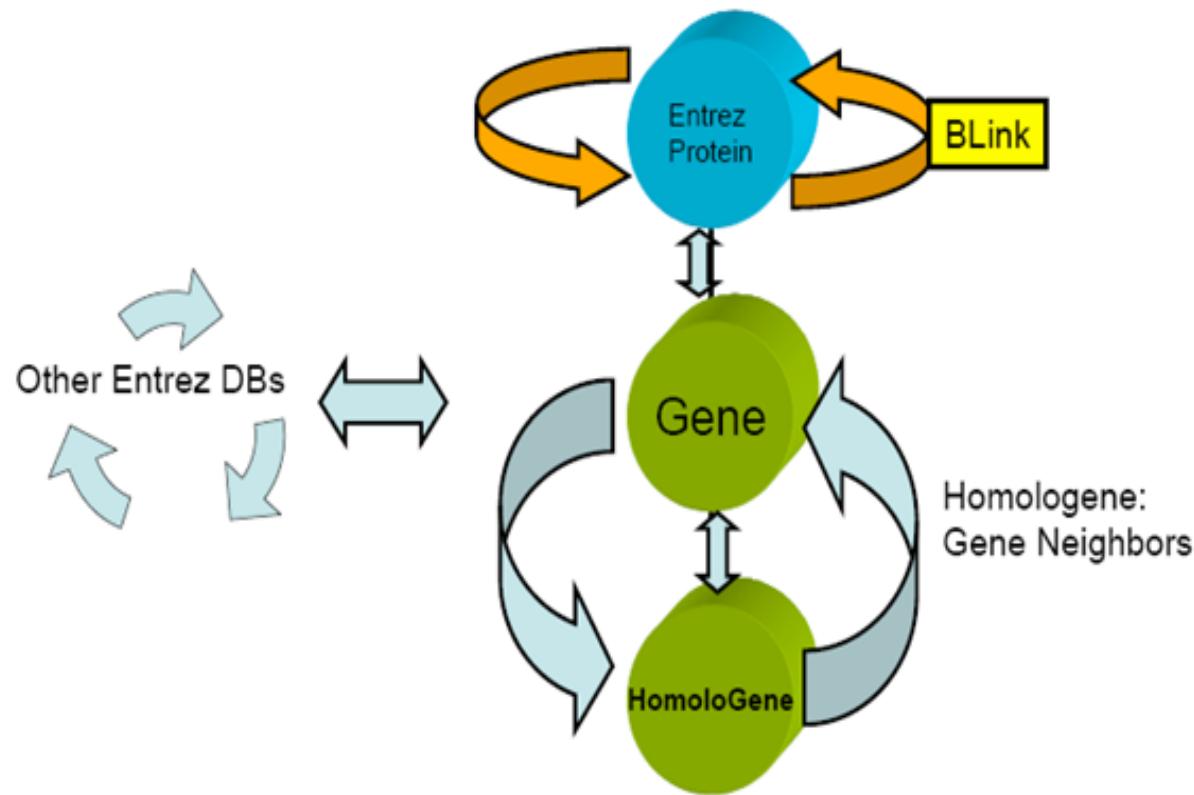


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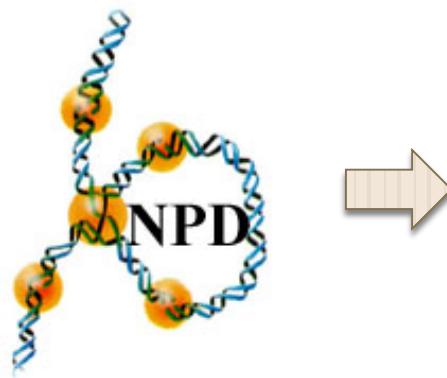
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- [Conserved Domains](#)
- [Genome](#)
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- [HomoloGene](#)
- [Map Viewer](#)
- [Nucleotide](#)
- [OMIM](#)
- [Full text in PMC](#)
- [Probe](#)
- [Protein](#)
- [PubMed](#)
- [PubMed \(OMIM\)](#)
- [PubMed \(GeneRIF\)](#)
- [SNP](#)
- [SNP: Genotype](#)
- [SNP: GeneView](#)
- [Taxonomy](#)
- [UniSTS](#)
- [AceView](#)
- [CCDS](#)
- [Ensembl](#)
- [Evidence Viewer](#)
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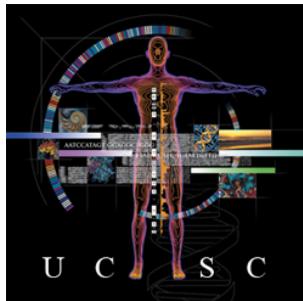
Entrez: Use Gene for everything



Examples in Other Databases: Using the Official Symbol All the Time (except for protein structure)

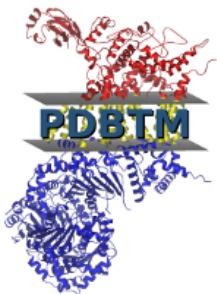


The Nuclear
Protein Database
(e.g., TP53)



A screenshot of the UCSC Genome Browser Gateway. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Genomes, Blat, Tables, Gene Sorter, PCR, Session, FAQ, and Help. Below the navigation is a banner for the Human (Homo sapiens) Genome Browser. A search form is present, showing "Mammal" as the clade, "Human" as the genome, "Feb. 2009 (GRCh37/hg19)" as the assembly, "chr6_mcf_hap5:2514038-2520393" as the position or search term, and "POU5F1" as the gene. The "submit" button is highlighted in blue. At the bottom, there is a link to reset settings, a mention of the 2011 ENCODE Usability Survey, and buttons for track search, add custom tracks, configure tracks and display, and clear position.

Examples in Other Databases: Using the Official Symbol All the Time (except for protein structure)



PDBTM version: 2019-02-22

Number of transmembrane proteins: 4084 (alpha: 3633 , beta: 427
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PDBTM: Protein Data Bank of Transmembrane Proteins

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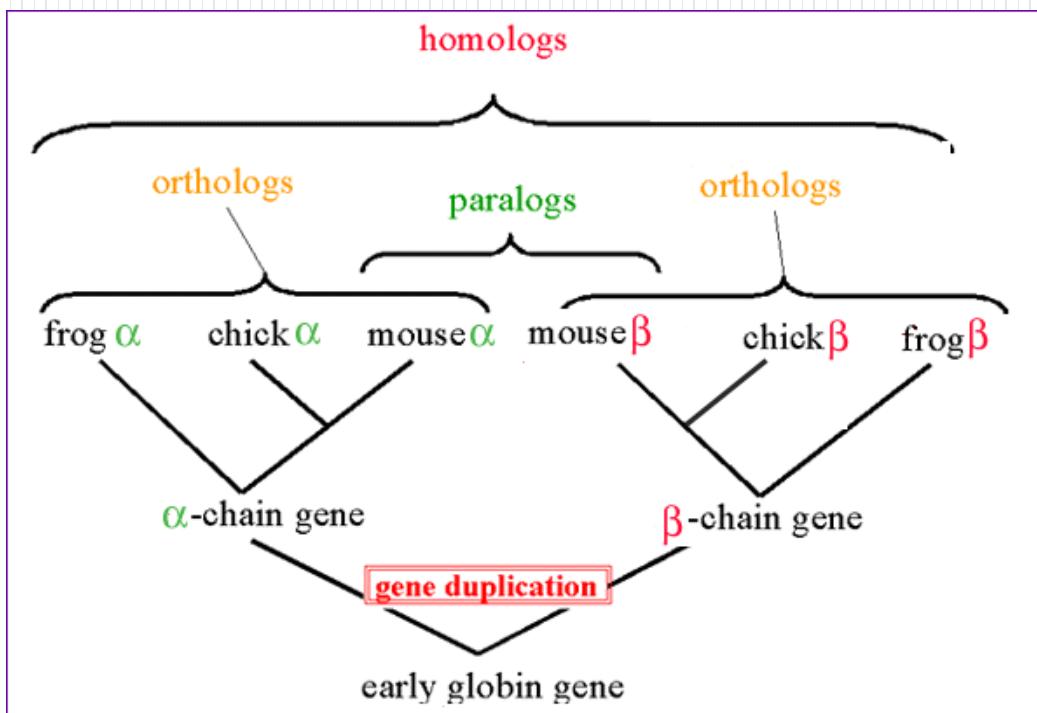
Welcome to the PDBTM home page

PDBTM is the first comprehensive and up-to-date transmembrane protein selection of the Protein Data Bank (PDB). PDBTM database is maintained at the Institute of Enzymology by the Membrane Protein Bioinformatics Research Group. The PDBTM database was created by scanning all PDB entries with the TMDET algorithm. You can get more information about PDBTM in our articles and in the PDBTM manual. If you find PDBTM useful in your research, please cite our articles (Bioinformatics 20, 2964-2972; Nucleic Acids Research 33 Database Issue, D275-D278; Nucleic Acids Research 41 Database Issue, D524-D529).

6qex

PDBTM type: Tm_Alpha
Chain(s): A[12]

Q: How Do You Find the Orthologs from Other Species



Homologs (1)

NCBI Homologene (links)

- A set of **maps** that shown **chromosomal regions** homologous between mouse, human & other species

Example

- **POU5F1** (via ENTREZ_GENE)
Links to the “Homologene”
 - Protein: multiple alignment
 - Conserved domains
 - PubMed (references)
 - Protein → All links from this record → BLink

□ 1: HomoloGene:8422. Gene conserved in Euteleostomi

Genes

Genes identified as putative homologs of one another during the construction of HomoloGene.

- ↳ POU5F1, *Homo sapiens*
POU class 5 homeobox 1
- ↳ POU5F1L, *Pan troglodytes*
POU domain, class 5, transcription factor 1-like
- ↳ POU5F1, *Canis lupus familiaris*
POU class 5 homeobox 1
- ↳ POU5F1, *Bos taurus*
POU class 5 homeobox 1
- ↳ Pou5f1, *Mus musculus*
POU domain, class 5, transcription factor 1
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- ↳ pou5f1, *Danio rerio*
POU domain, class 5, transcription factor 1

Proteins

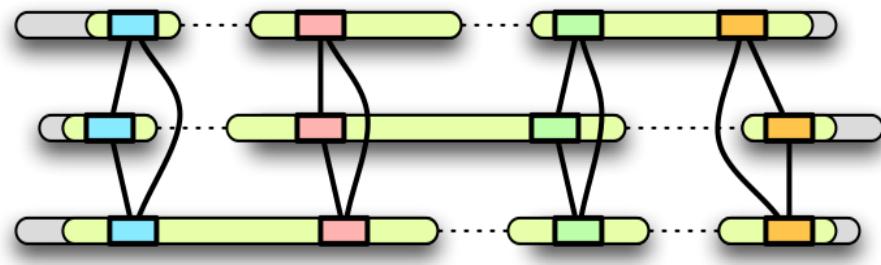
Proteins used in sequence comparisons and their conserved domain architectures.

- ↳ NP_002692.2
360 aa 
- ↳ XP_001135162.1
359 aa 
- ↳ XP_538830.1
360 aa 
- ↳ NP_777005.1
360 aa 
- ↳ NP_038661.2
352 aa 
- ↳ NP_001009178.1
352 aa 
- ↳ NP_571187.1
472 aa 

Homologs (2)

Hs and **Mm** links adjacent to each map name show the mouse-human homology map with the master chromosome as human or mouse

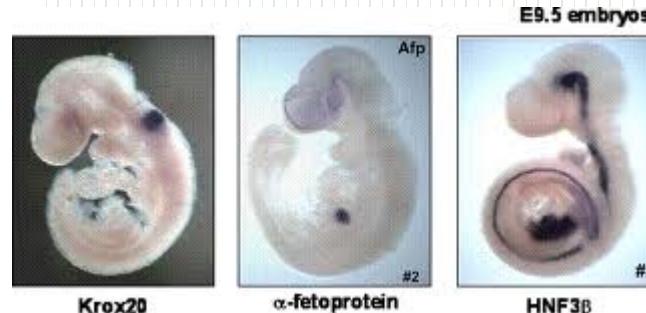
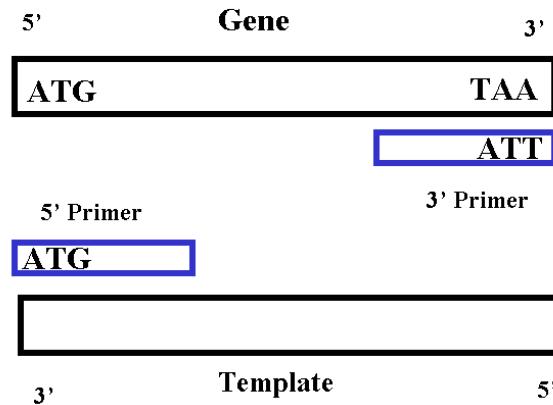
- [Mouse Genome Informatics](#)
 - [Mm](#): *Pou5f1* (chr. 17; 19.23 cM)

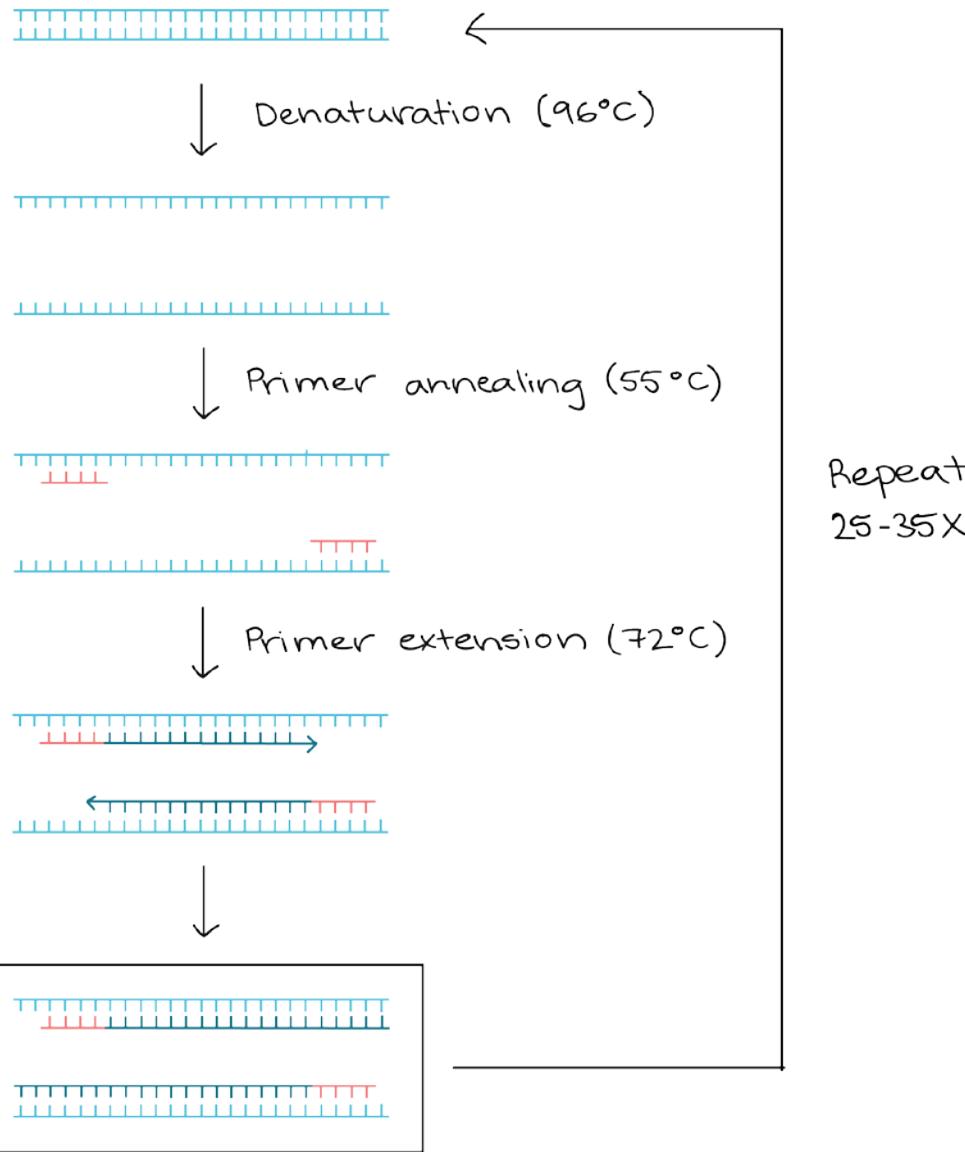


Mercator

Multiple Whole-Genome Orthology Map Construction

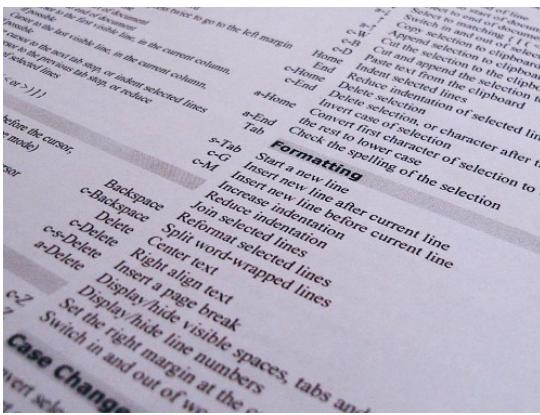
Q: How to Design Primers/Probes for PCR/qPCR/Cloning/in situ hybridization





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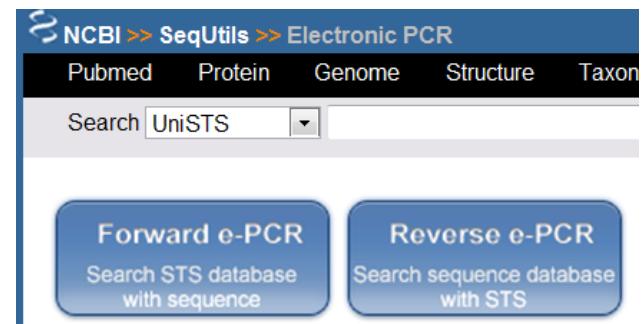
Result after 1 cycle:
of DNA molecules
doubled



Literatures

Databases

ab inito
design



e.g., ACTB



BLAST

BLAST



► NCBI/ Primer-BLAST: Finding primers specific to your PCR template (using Primer3 and BLAST). [more...](#) [Tips for finding specific primers](#)

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PCR Template

Enter accession, gi, or FASTA sequence (A refseq record is preferred) [?](#) [Clear](#)

Range

From To

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Forward primer

Reverse primer

Or, upload FASTA file

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Primer Parameters

Use my own forward primer
(5'->3' on plus strand)

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Use my own reverse primer
(5'->3' on minus strand)

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PCR product size

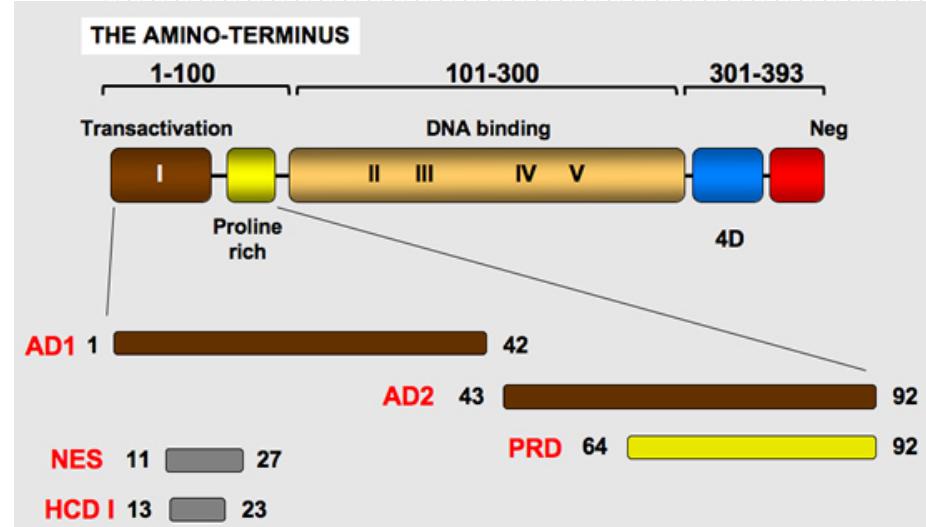
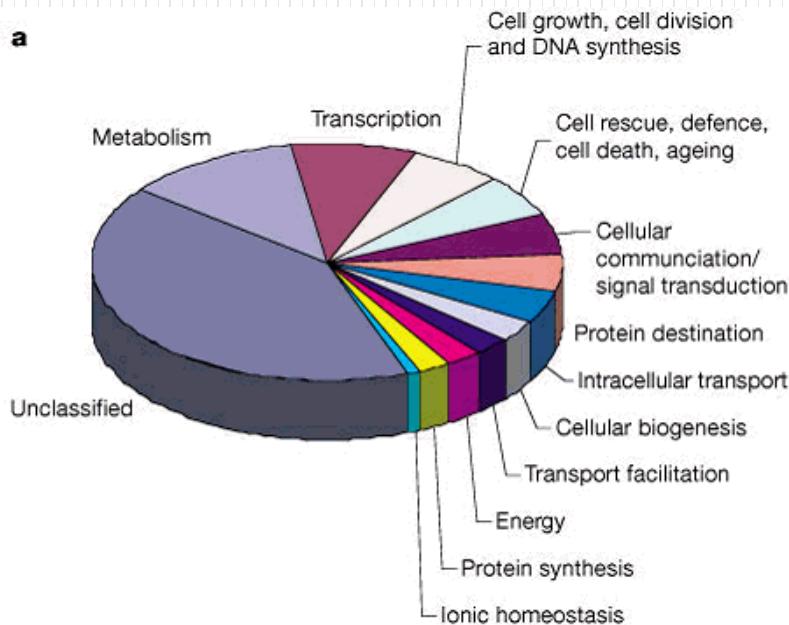
Min: 70 Max: 1000

of primers to return

10

Q: How to Find the Function and/or Structure of YFG

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1. Gene Ontology

Through **integrated databases**

- Entrez_Gene
 - **GO terms**
- GeneCards
 - **GO terms**
- Uniprot/Swiss-Prot
 - POU5F1_Human
 - General annotation (comments)
 - Ontologies

Function	Evidence
DNA binding	IDA PubMed
miRNA binding	IDA PubMed
promoter binding	IDA PubMed
protein binding	IPI PubMed
sequence-specific DNA binding	IEA
transcription factor activity	IDA PubMed
transcription factor binding	IPI PubMed

Process	Evidence
BMP signaling pathway involved in heart induction	IMP PubMed
anatomical structure morphogenesis	TAS PubMed
cardiac cell fate determination	IDA PubMed
cell fate commitment involved in the formation of primary germ layers	IMP PubMed
negative regulation of gene silencing by miRNA	IMP PubMed
positive regulation of SMAD protein nuclear translocation	IDA PubMed
positive regulation of catenin protein nuclear translocation	IDA PubMed
positive regulation of gene-specific transcription from RNA polymerase II promoter	IDA PubMed

GO Evidence Code

Introduction

Experimental Evidence Codes

EXP: Inferred from Experiment

IDA: Inferred from Direct Assay

IPI: Inferred from Physical Interaction

IMP: Inferred from Mutant Phenotype

IGI: Inferred from Genetic Interaction

IEP: Inferred from Expression Pattern

Computational Analysis Evidence Codes

ISS: Inferred from Sequence or Structural Similarity

ISO: Inferred from Sequence Orthology

ISA: Inferred from Sequence Alignment

ISM: Inferred from Sequence Model

IGC: Inferred from Genomic Context

RCA: inferred from Reviewed Computational Analysis

Author Statement Evidence Codes

TAS: Traceable Author Statement

NAS: Non-traceable Author Statement

Curator Statement Evidence Codes

IC: Inferred by Curator

ND: No biological Data available

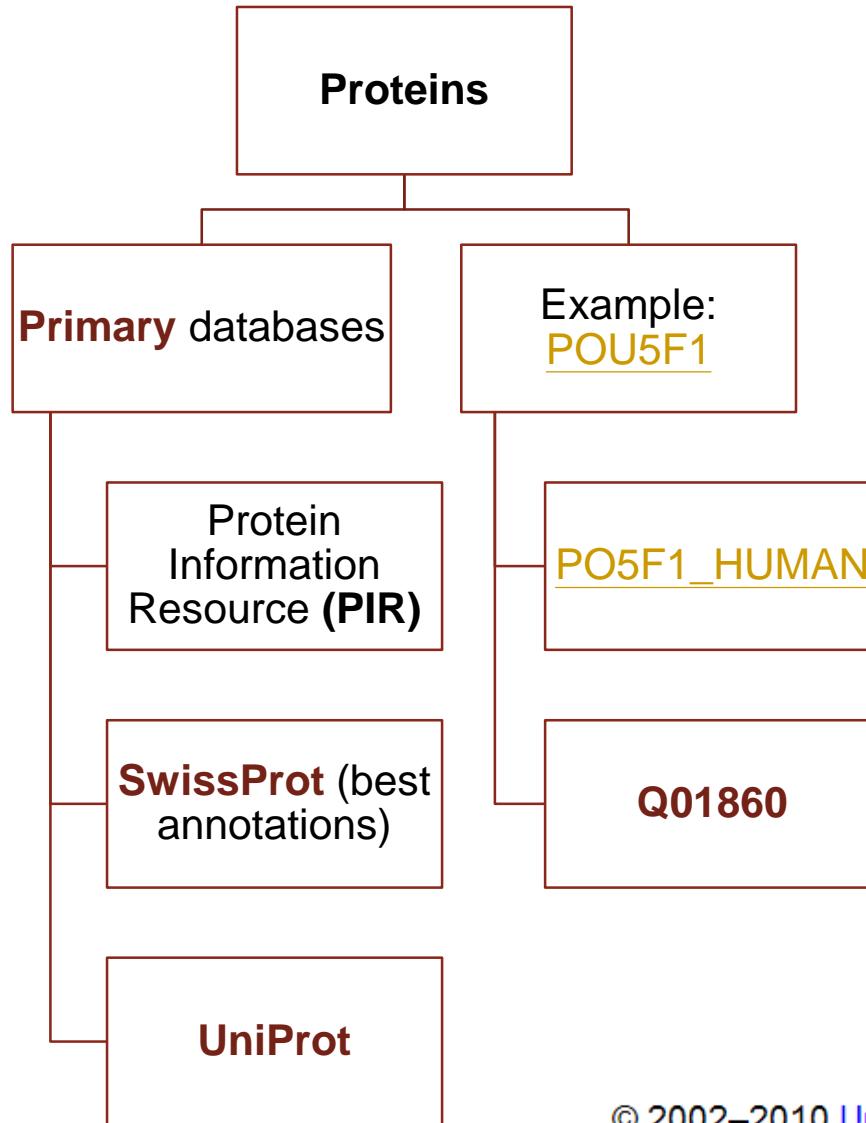
Automatically-assigned Evidence Codes

IEA: Inferred from Electronic Annotation

Obsolete Evidence Codes

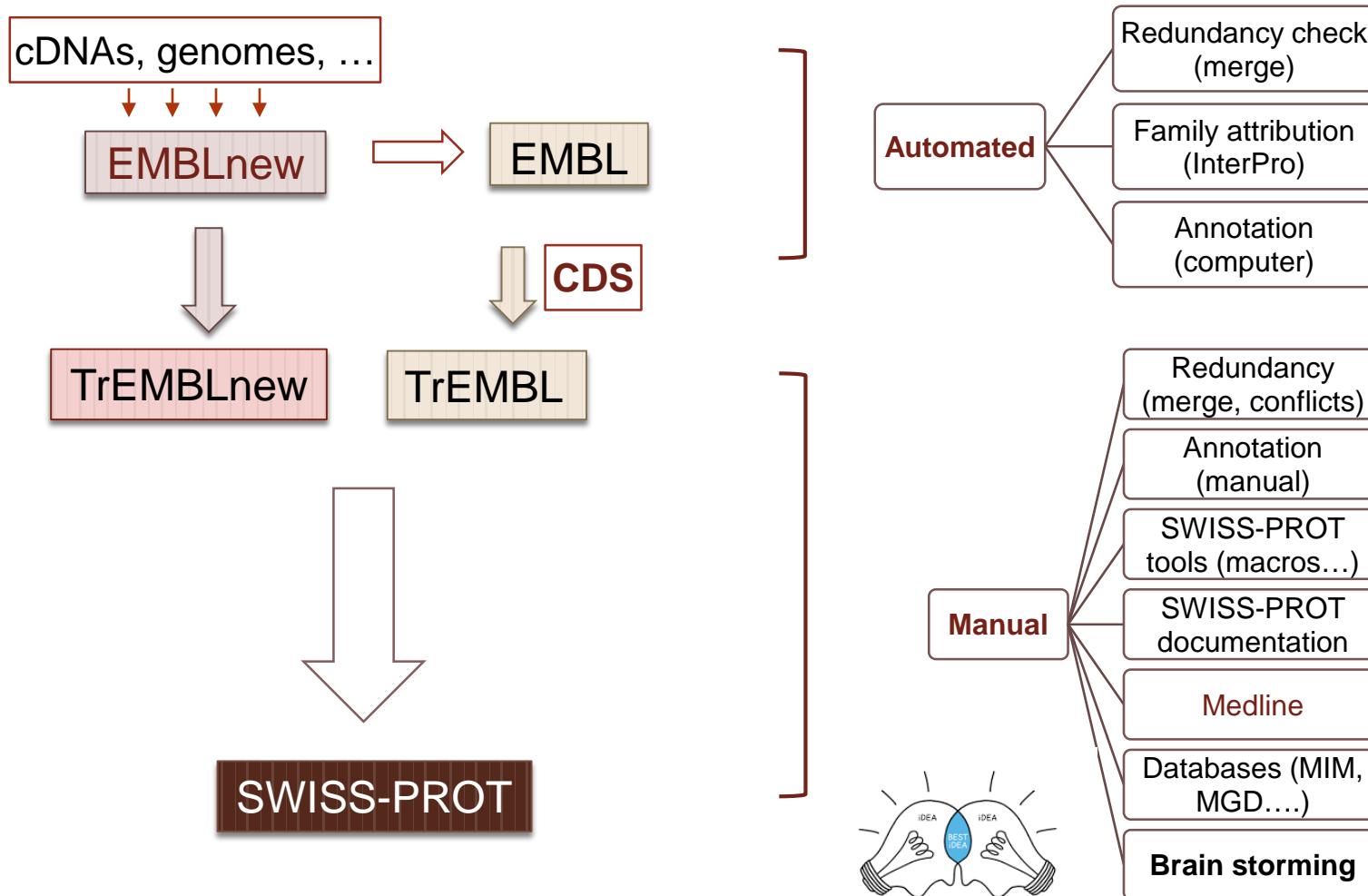
NR: Not Recorded

Note on Usage of the With/From Column



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The Simplified Story of a SWISS-PROT Entry



Domains, functional sites,
protein families

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[InterPro](#)

Pfam

PRINTS

SMART

Mendel-GFDb (plant gene
families & EST annotations)

2D and 3D Structural dbs

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PDB

PTM

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2D-gel protein databases

SWISS-2DPAGE

ECO2DBASE

HSC-2DPAGE

Aarhus and Ghent

MAIZE-2DPAGE

Human diseases
MIM

Protein-specific dbs

GCRDb

[MEROPS](#) (peptidase)

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DictyDb

EcoGene

FlyBase

HIV

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SGD

StyGene (Salmonella)

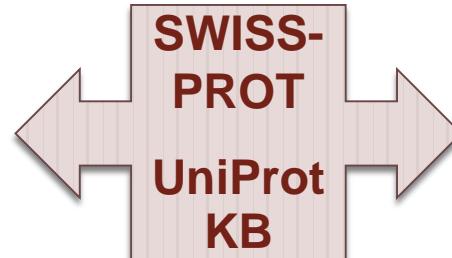
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TIGR

TubercuList

WormPep

Zebrafish



Nucleotide sequence DB
EMBL, GeneBank, DDBJ

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P47196	AKT1_RAT	RAC-alpha serine/threonine-protein ...	Akt1	Rattus norvegicus (Rat)	480
Q38998	AKT1_ARATH	Potassium channel AKT1	AKT1, At2g26650, F18A8.2	Arabidopsis thaliana (Mouse-ear cress)	857
Q8INB9	AKT1_DROME	RAC serine/threonine-protein kinase	Akt1, CG4006	Drosophila melanogaster (Fruit fly)	611

Display



Family & Domains¹

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Names & Taxonomy

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Domains and Repeats

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Domain ⁱ	150 – 408	259	Protein kinase PROSITE-ProRule annotation			<input type="button" value="Add"/> <input type="button" value="BLAST"/>
Domain ⁱ	409 – 480	72	AGC-kinase C-terminal			<input type="button" value="Add"/> <input type="button" value="BLAST"/>

Region

Feature key	Position(s)	Length	Description	Graphical view	Feature identifier	Actions
Region ⁱ	14 – 19	6	Inositol-(1,3,4,5)-tetrakisphosphate binding			
Region ⁱ	23 – 25	3	Inositol-(1,3,4,5)-tetrakisphosphate binding			
Region ⁱ	228 – 230	3	Inhibitor binding			

Domainⁱ

Binding of the PH domain to phosphatidylinositol 3,4,5-trisphosphate (PI(3,4,5)P3) following phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase alpha (PIK3CA) activity results in its targeting to the plasma membrane. The PH domain mediates interaction with TNK2 and Tyr-176 is also essential for this interaction. The AGC-kinase C-terminal mediates interaction with THEM4.

Sequence similaritiesⁱ

Belongs to the protein kinase superfamily. AGC Ser/Thr protein kinase family. RAC subfamily. Curated

Contains 1 AGC-kinase C-terminal domain. Curated

Contains 1 PH domain. PROSITE-ProRule annotation

Contains 1 protein kinase domain. PROSITE-ProRule annotation

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Molecule processing

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Chain ⁱ	1 – 480	480	RAC-alpha serine/threonine-protein kinase		PRO_0000085605	

Amino acid modifications

Feature key	Position(s)	Length	Description	Graphical view	Feature identifier	Actions
Modified residue ⁱ	14 – 14	1	N6-acetyllysine 1 Publication			
Modified residue ⁱ	20 – 20	1	N6-acetyllysine 1 Publication			
Disulfide bond ⁱ	60 ↔ 77		1 Publication			
Modified residue ⁱ	124 – 124	1	Phosphoserine Combined sources			
Modified residue ⁱ	126 – 126	1	Phosphoserine; alternate Combined sources			
Glycosylation ⁱ	126 – 126	1	O-linked (GlcNAc); alternate 1 Publication			
Modified residue ⁱ	129 – 129	1	Phosphoserine; alternate Combined sources			
Glycosylation ⁱ	129 – 129	1	O-linked (GlcNAc); alternate 1 Publication			
Modified residue ⁱ	176 – 176	1	Phosphotyrosine; by TNK2 1 Publication			
Cross-link ⁱ	284 – 284		Glycyl lysine isopeptide (Lys-Gly) (interchain with G-Cter in ubiquitin) 1 Publication			
Disulfide bond ⁱ	296 ↔ 310		By similarity			

3. If YFG Involves in Specific Function/Pathway? - through its interacted proteins

BioGRID 3.1

CHD4 *Mus musculus*

AA617397, mKIAA4075, D6Ert380e, Mi-2beta, BC005710, KIAA4075, 9530019N15Rik, MGC11769

chromodomain helicase DNA binding protein 4

GO Process: 0 Terms GO Function: 1 Terms GO Component: 0 Terms

EXTERNAL DATABASE LINKOUTS
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Displaying 13 total unique interactors

POU5F1 | Otf-3, Oct3, Oct-3/4, Otf3, Oct3/4, Oct-3, Oct4, Otf-4, Oct-4, Otf3-rs7, Otf4, Otf3g
POU domain, class 5, transcription factor 1

MTA2 | mmata2, Mta1l1, Mata1l1, AW550797
metastasis-associated gene family, member 2

Stats & Filters

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Databases for Protein – Protein Interaction

Resource	Comments
APID	Agile Protein Interaction DataAnalyzer (Cancer Research Center, Salamanca, Spain)
BIND	Biomolecular INteraction Network Database at the University of Toronto, Canada. No species restriction
CYGD	PPI section of the Comprehensive Yeast Genome Database. Manually curated comprehensive <i>S. cerevisiae</i> PPI database at MIPS
DIP	Database of Interacting Proteins at UCLA. No species restriction.
 GRID	General Repository for Interaction Datasets. Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, Canada
HIV Interaction DB	Interactions between HIV and host proteins.
 HPRD	The Human Protein Reference Database. Institute of Bioinformatics, Bangalore, India and Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, USA.
HPID	Human Protein Interaction Database. Department of computer Science and Information Engineering Inha University, Inchon, Korea
iHOP	iHOP (Information Hyperlinked over Proteins). Protein association network built by literature mining
 IntAct	Protein interaction database at EBI. No species restriction.
InterDom	Database of putative interacting protein domains. Institute for InfoComm Research, Singapore.
JCB	PPI site at the Jena Centre for Bioinformatics, Germany
MetaCore	Commercial software suite and database. Manually curated human PPIs (among other things). GeneGo
MINT	Molecular INTeraction database at the Centro di Bioinformatica Molekulare, Universita di Roma, Italy.
MRC PPI links	Commented list of links to PPI databases and resources maintained at the MRC Rosalind Franklin Cetre for Genomics Research, Cambridge, UK
OPHID	The Online Predicted Human Interaction Database. Ontario Cancer Institute and University of Toronto, Canada.
Pawson Lab	Information on protein-interaction domains.

Q: What Kind of Cell Lines or Tissues I Should Use for PCR-based Cloning YFG?

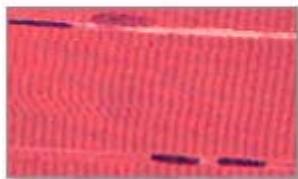
Four types of tissue



Connective tissue



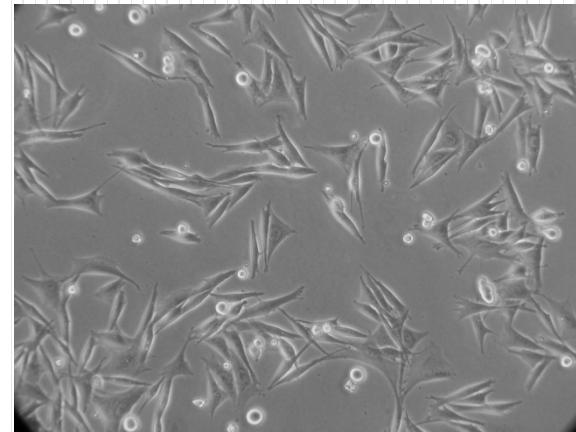
Epithelial tissue



Muscle tissue



Nervous tissue





Q: What Would I Do When I am Having Breakfast or a Coffee Break?





Coffee Break

Tutorials for NCBI Tools

Edited by Laura Dean and Johanna McEntyre.

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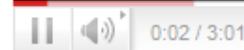
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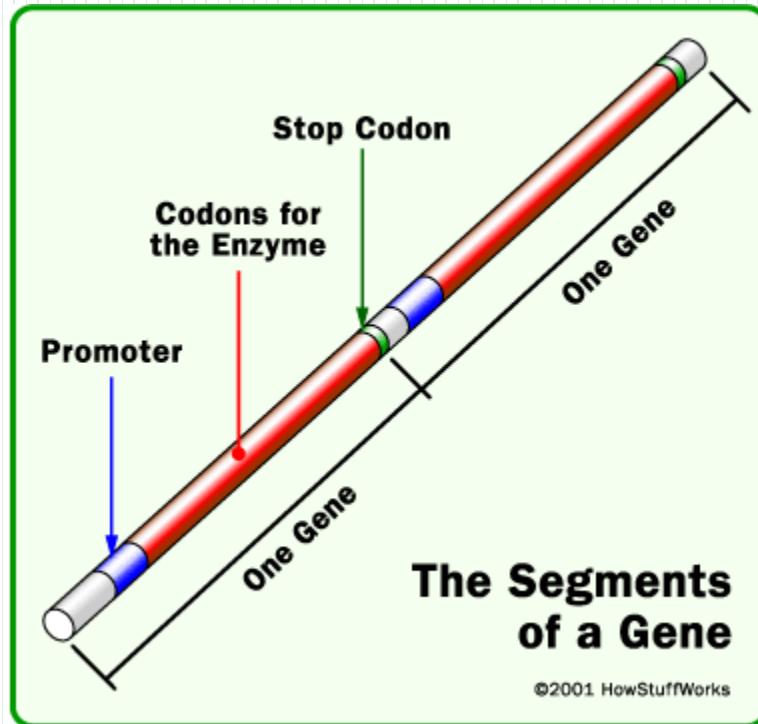
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Q: How do You Know You've Cloned the Correct YGF? (Wild type vs. Mutant?)



BLAST Basic Local Alignment Search Tool

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NCBI/ BLAST/ blastn suite

blastn blastp blastx tblastn tblastx

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Enter Query Sequence

Enter accession number(s), gi(s), or FASTA sequence(s) [?](#)

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From
To

Genomic plus Transcript

- Human genomic plus transcript (Human G+T)
- Mouse genomic plus transcript (Mouse G+T)

Other Databases

- Nucleotide collection (nr/nt)
- Reference mRNA sequences (refseq_rna)
- Reference genomic sequences (refseq_genomic)
- NCBI Genomes (chromosome)
- Expressed sequence tags (est)
- Non-human, non-mouse ESTs (est_others)
- Genomic survey sequences (gss)
- High throughput genomic sequences (HTGS)
- Patent sequences(pat)
- Protein Data Bank (pdb)
- Human ALU repeat elements (alu_repeats)
- Sequence tagged sites (dbsts)
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Transcript Others (nr etc.): [?](#)

Align two or more sequences

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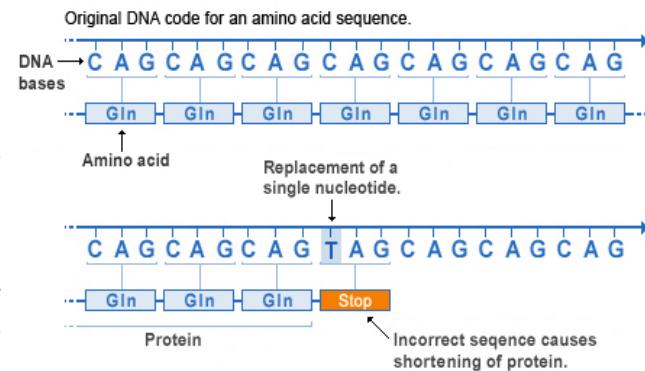
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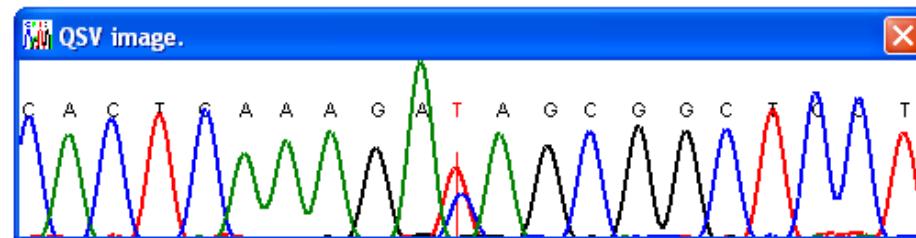
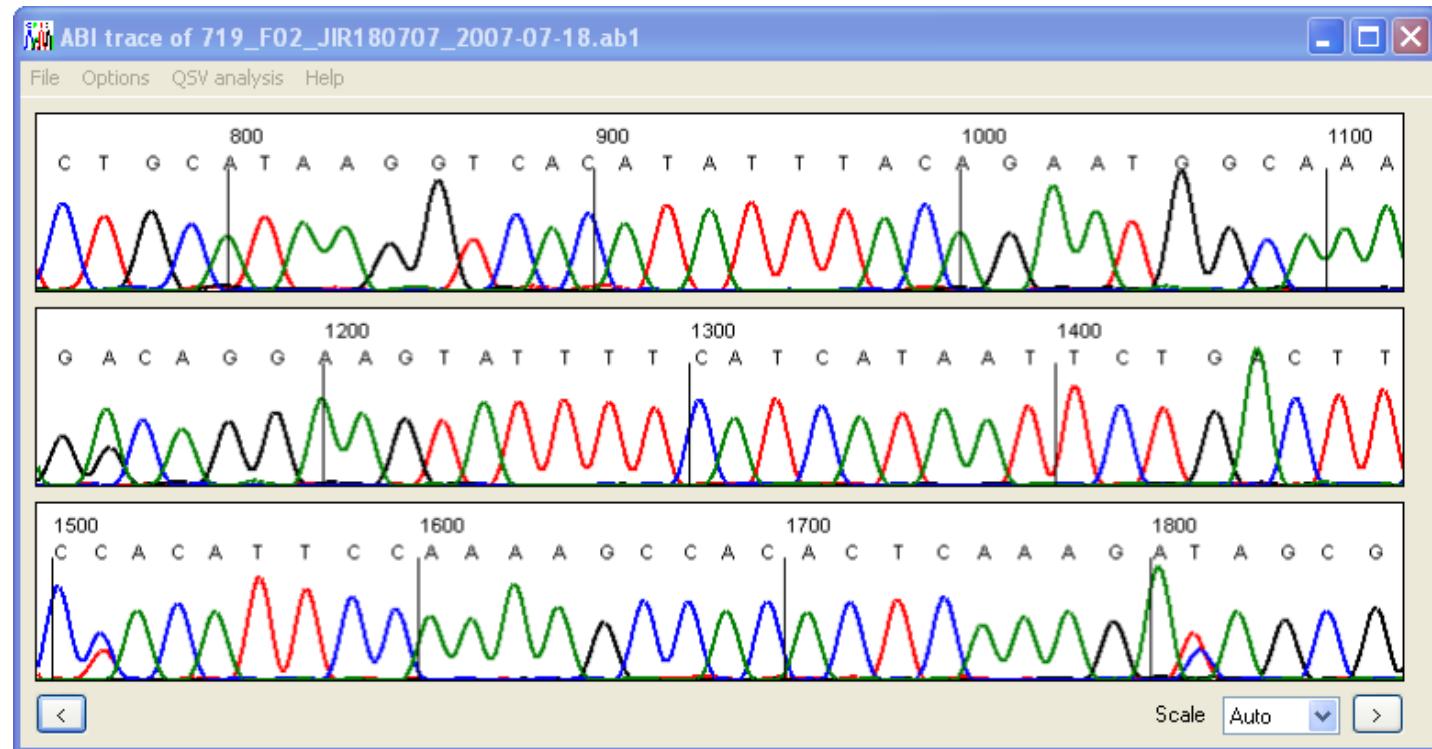
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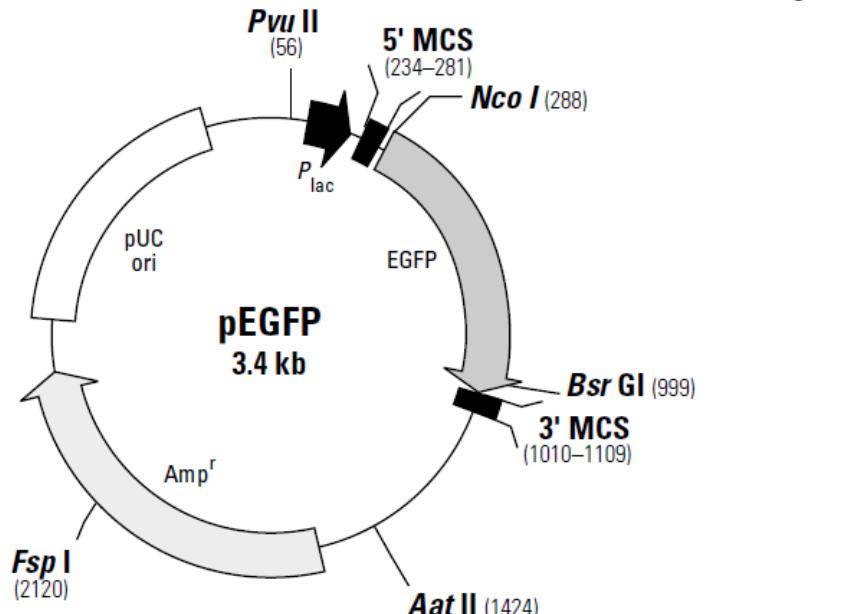
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Q: How to Get a Specific Sequence from Genome Databases



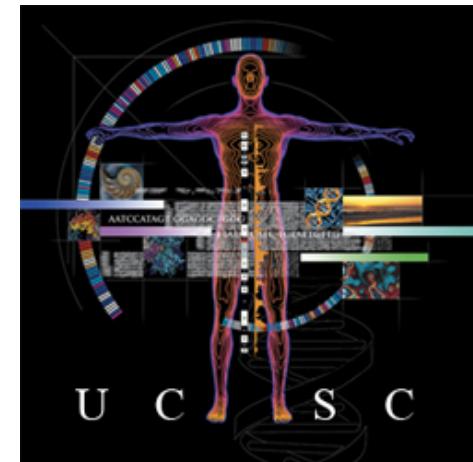
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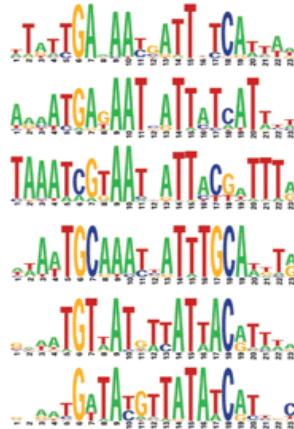
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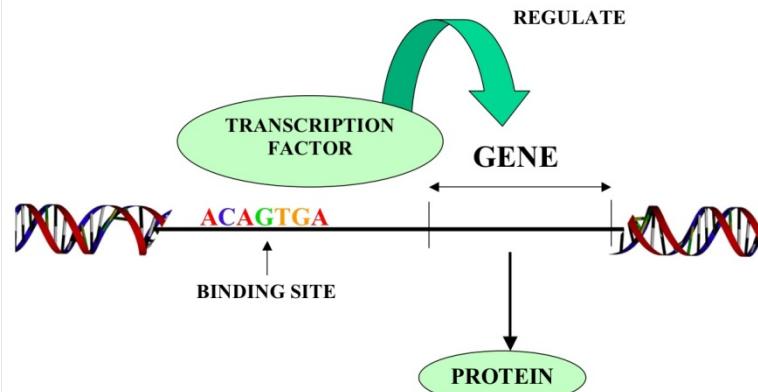
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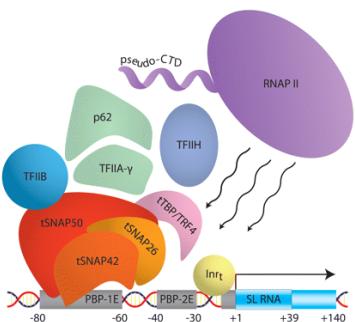
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Q: How to Identify Potential Regulators?



Legend: A transcription factor molecule binds to the DNA at its binding site, and thereby regulates the production of a protein from a gene.





Feature-Based Methods

Based on identifying
gene signals

Promoter elements

Splice sites

Start/stop codons

PolyA sites...

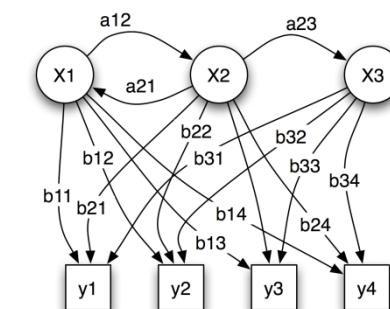
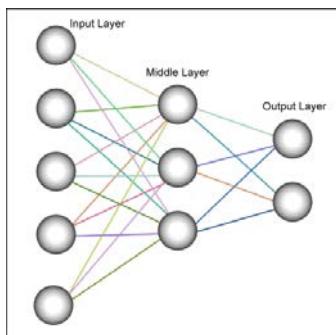
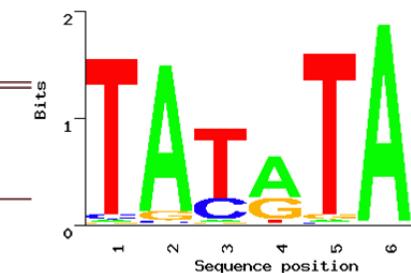
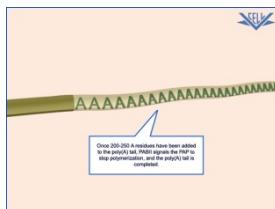
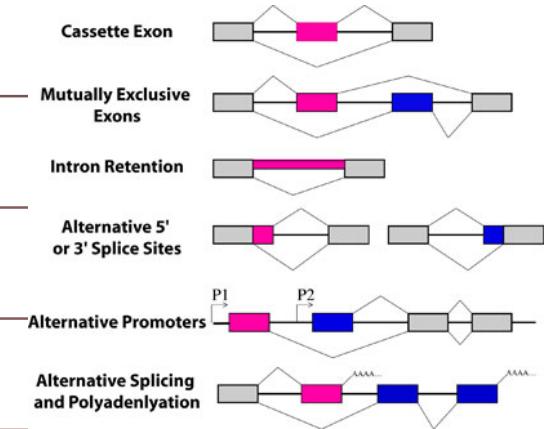
Wide range of
methods

Consensus sequences

Weight matrices

Neural networks (NNs) Decision trees

Hidden Markov Models (HMMs)



Promoter Databases and sites for analysis, prediction and search

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motif-finding algorithm.

[Promoter Binding Element Database](#)

Arabidopsis thaliana promoter binding element database

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promoter mapping using CpG islands

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to predict putative Transcriptional Start Site (TSS)

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Database of Transcriptional Start Sites

[Dragon Promoter Finder](#)

an advanced system for promoter recognition in vertebrates

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A statistical tool for the prediction of transcription start sites

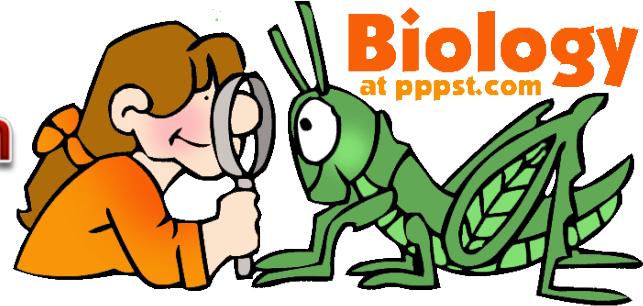
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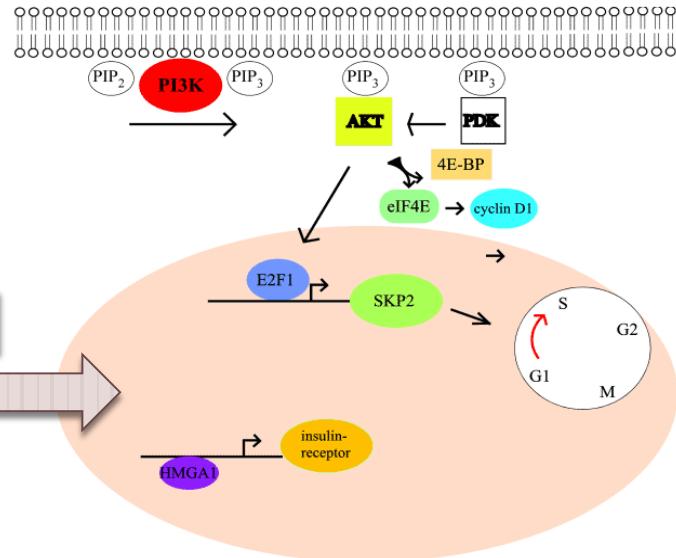
Neural Network Promoter Prediction

Pattern-driven



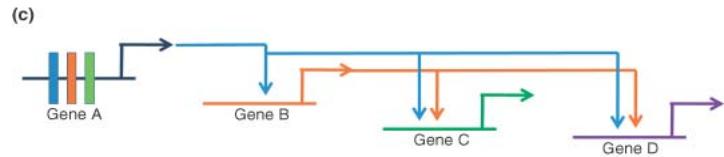
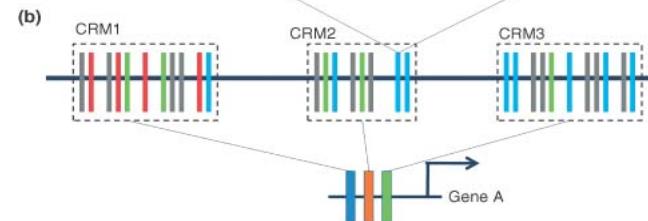
Success depends on **available of collections of annotated binding sites**

- Tend to produce huge numbers of **false-positive**
- **Reasons**
 - Binding sites (BS) for specific TFs often **variable**
 - Binding sites are short (typically **5-15 bp**)
 - **Interactions** between TFs (& other proteins) influence **affinity & specificity** of TF binding
 - One binding site often recognized by **multiple TFs**
 - **Biology is complex**: promoters often specific to **organism/cell/stage/environmental** condition



PI3K/AKT signaling in pancreatic cancer cells

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
A	25	28	70	10	0	100	0	0	0	2	6	18	31	
C	31	7	3	69	100	0	100	0	0	19	21	47	13	
G	13	47	21	19	0	0	0	100	0	100	69	3	7	31
T	31	18	6	2	0	0	0	0	100	0	10	70	28	25



Taking sequence context/biology into account (Do the wet lab experiments!!!)

Eukaryotes: clusters of TFBSs are common

Probability of “real” binding site increases if annotated **transcription start site (TSS) nearby**

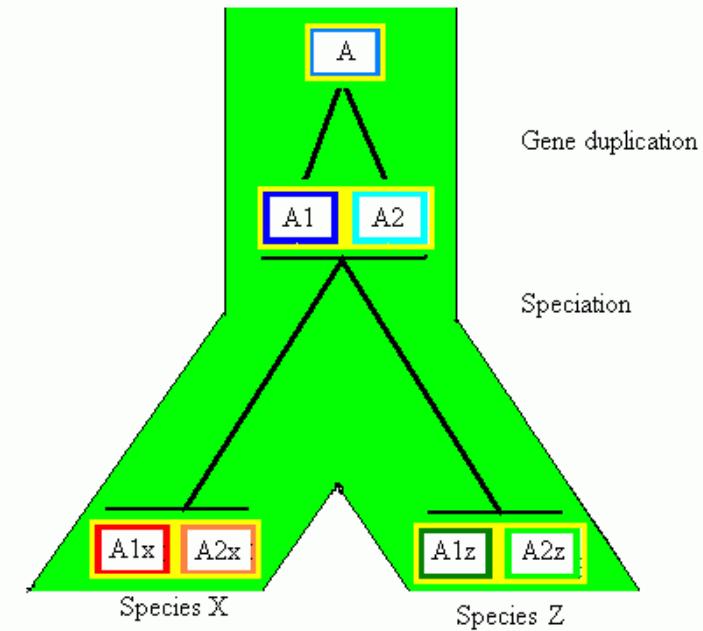
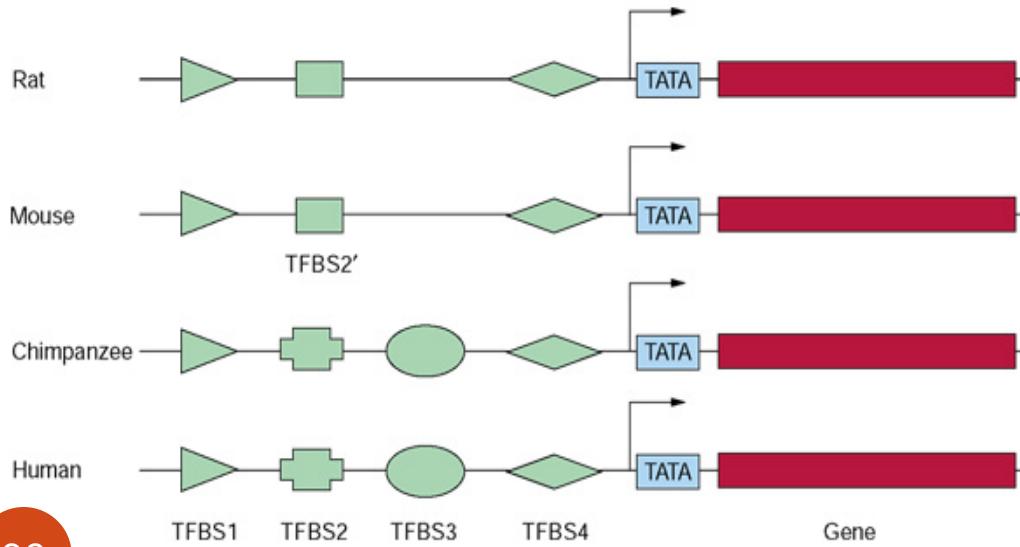
- But **NOT** for enhancers
- Only a **small fraction** of TSSs have been experimentally mapped

Comparative promoter mapping

Phylogenetic Footprinting

Patterns of gene regulation are often conserved across species

- Interspecies comparisons \Rightarrow to identify **common regulatory sequences**
(Wasserman et al. 2000)
 - The selection of appropriate species, critical



To select gene of interest

To choose **several species** with the **orthologous gene**

To decide on **the length of upstream region** to be compared

Align sequences by using **any** basic computer software (e.g., clustalW)

Visually look for **identical motif**

Human	TAACAAATTGGTACATCCAAATGGAACTGCGAGGGAAATGCAATAAATTTCGCGGAAGCTGGCGATGAGCCCTGCCTCCAGCGGGTGGCGCTCGAGTCGG 765
Dog	TAACAAATTGGTACATCCAAATGGAACTGCGAGGGAAATGCAATAAATTTCGCGGAAGCTGGCGATGAGCCCTGCCTCCAGCGGGTGGCGCTCGAGTCGG 765
Mouse	TCACAAATTGGTACATCCAAATGGAACTGCGAGGGAAATGCAATAAATTTCGCGGAAGCGAACGATGCCCGAGTCCTCCAGCGGGTGGCGCTCGAGTCGA 941
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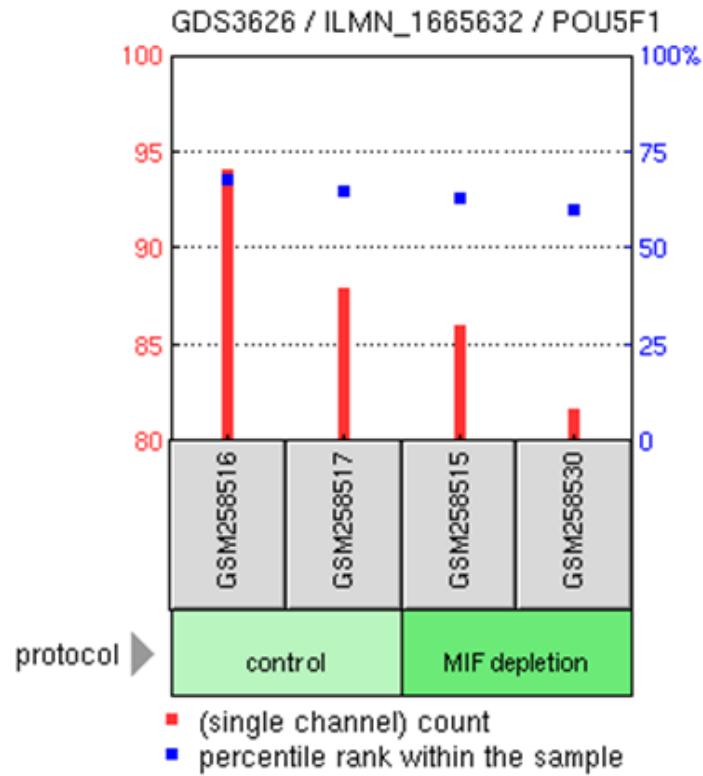
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NP- γ binding site
SPL binding site
GATA-1 binding site

*All TF names are from human with orthologous TFs present in both dog and mouse.

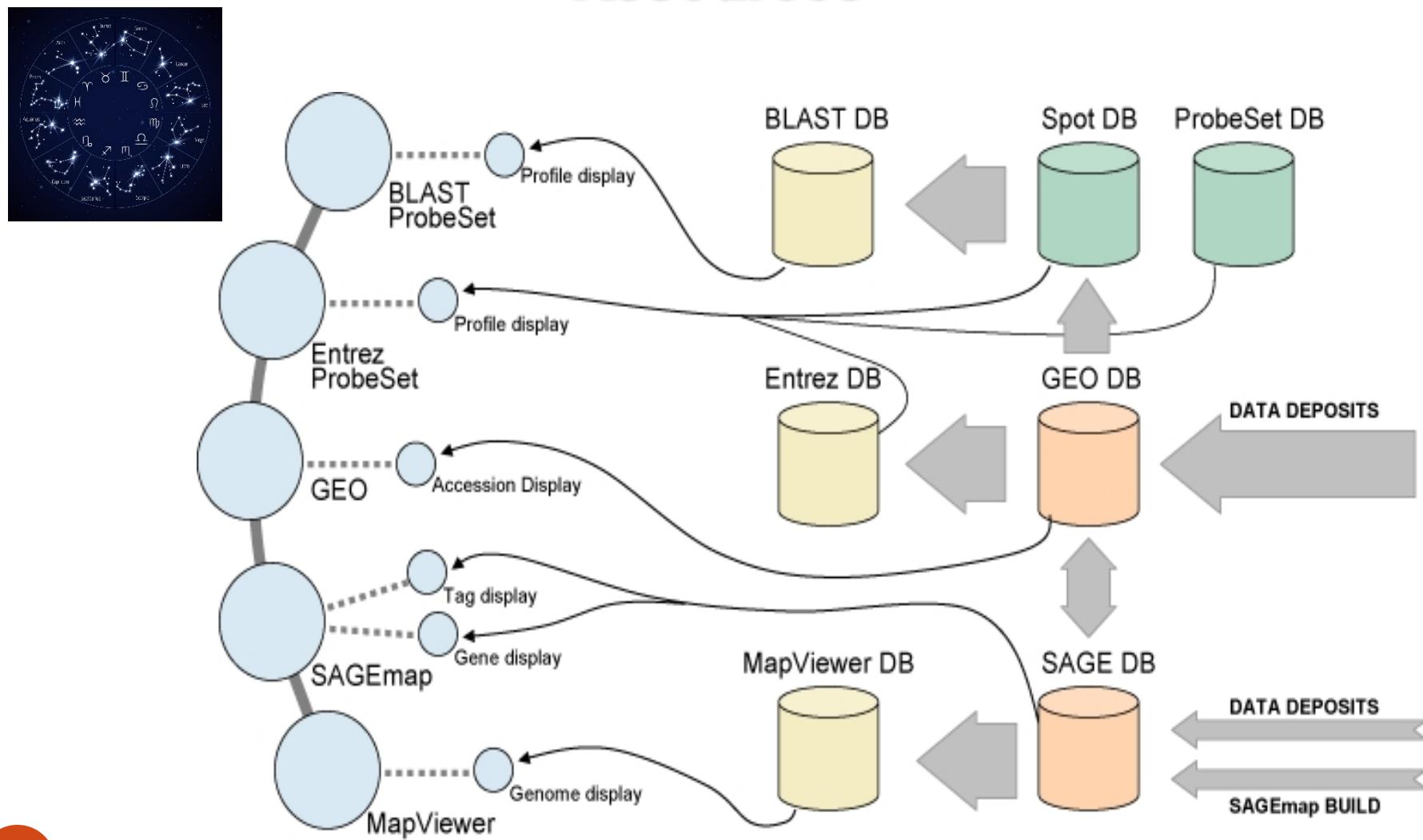
One More Trick - Coregulation

Title: [GDS3626](#) / ILMN_1665632 / POU5F1 / Homo sapiens

Summary: Analysis of HEK293 kidney cells depleted for the (0)/G(1) cell cycle arrest. Results provide insight into the mo



Constellation of NCBI Gene Expression Resources



Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) (1)

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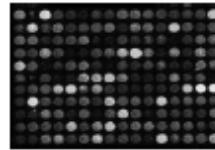
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GSM

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GSE

Grouping of
slide/chip data
“a single experiment”



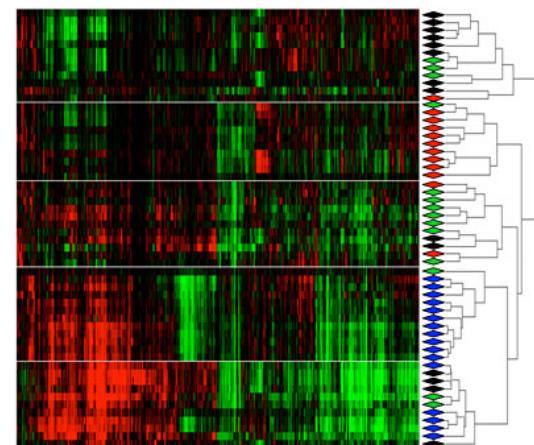
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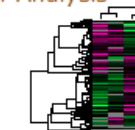


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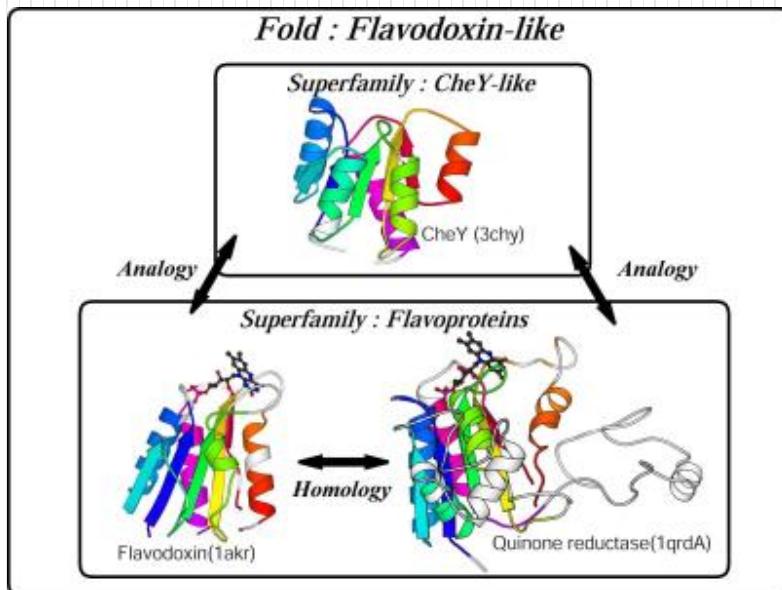
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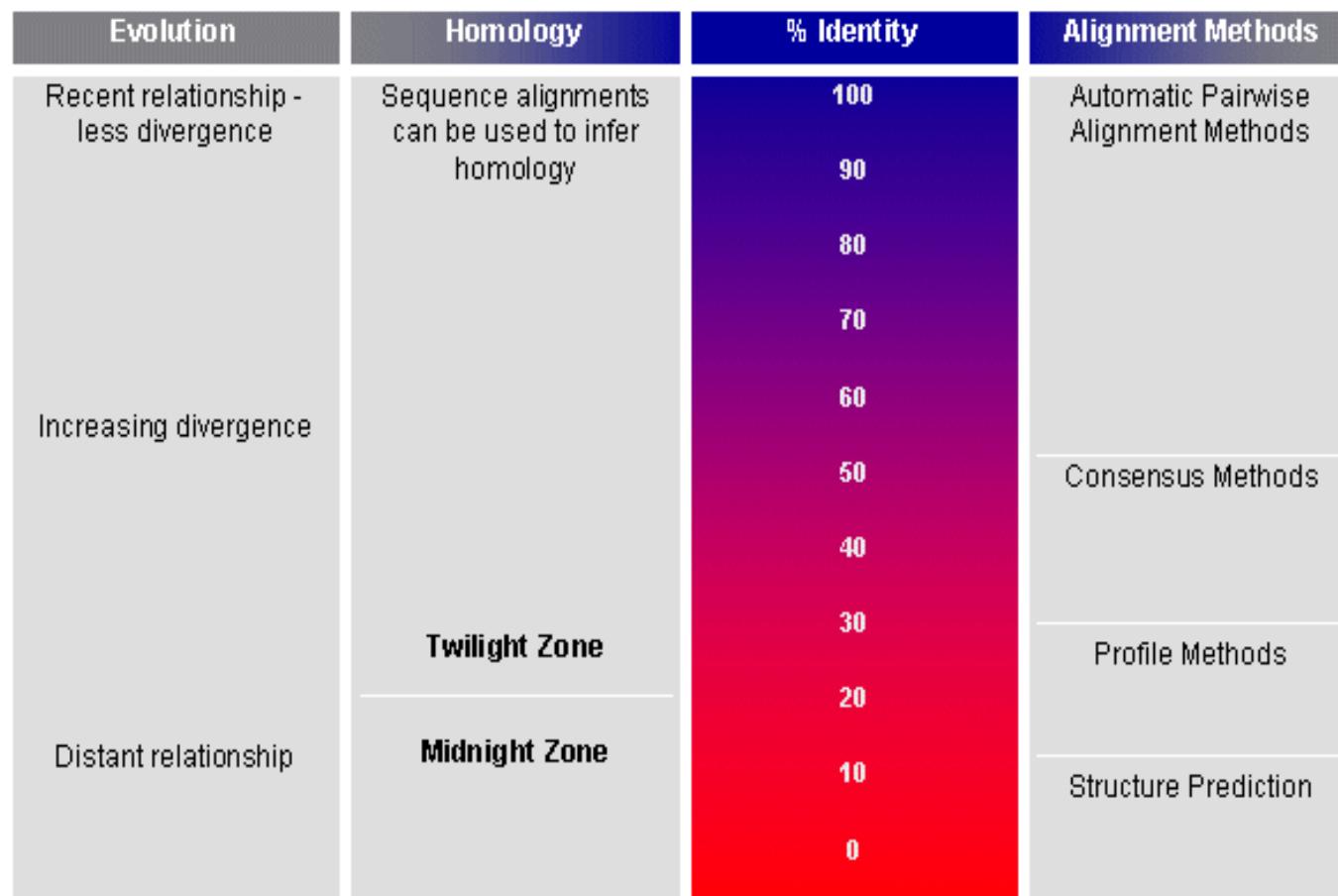
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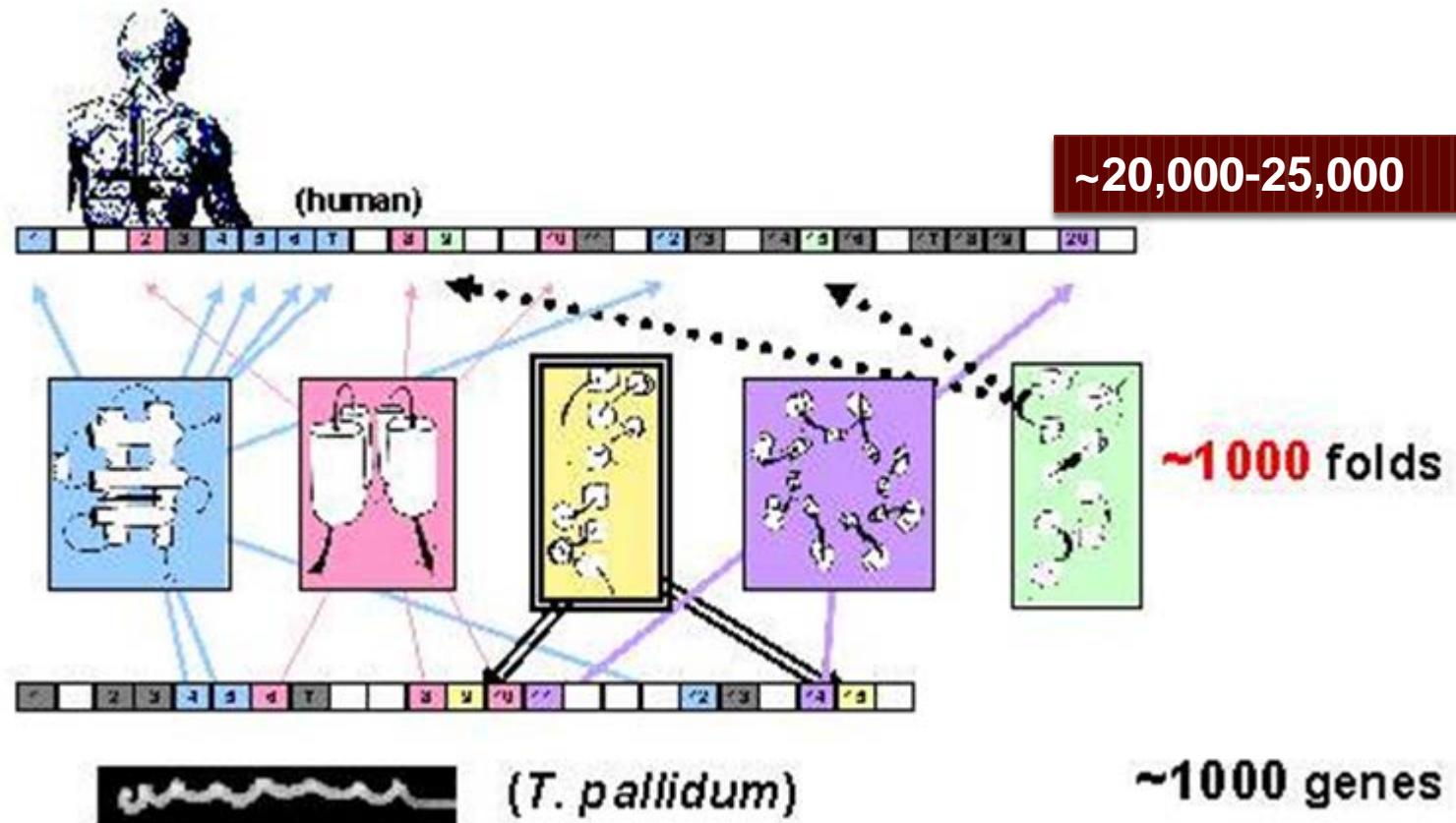
Q: Can You Speculate the Function of YFG from Structure Similarity?



Structures are More Conserved Than Sequences



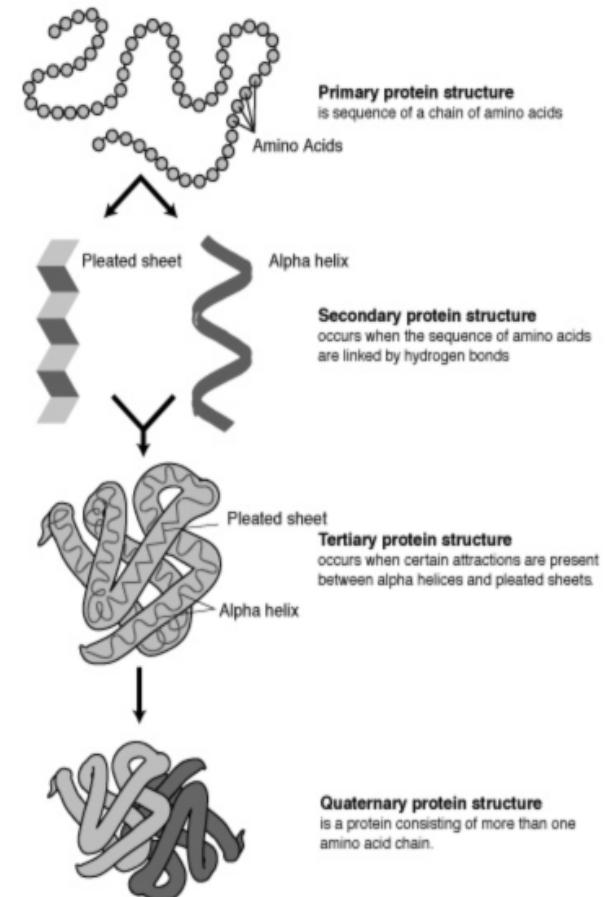
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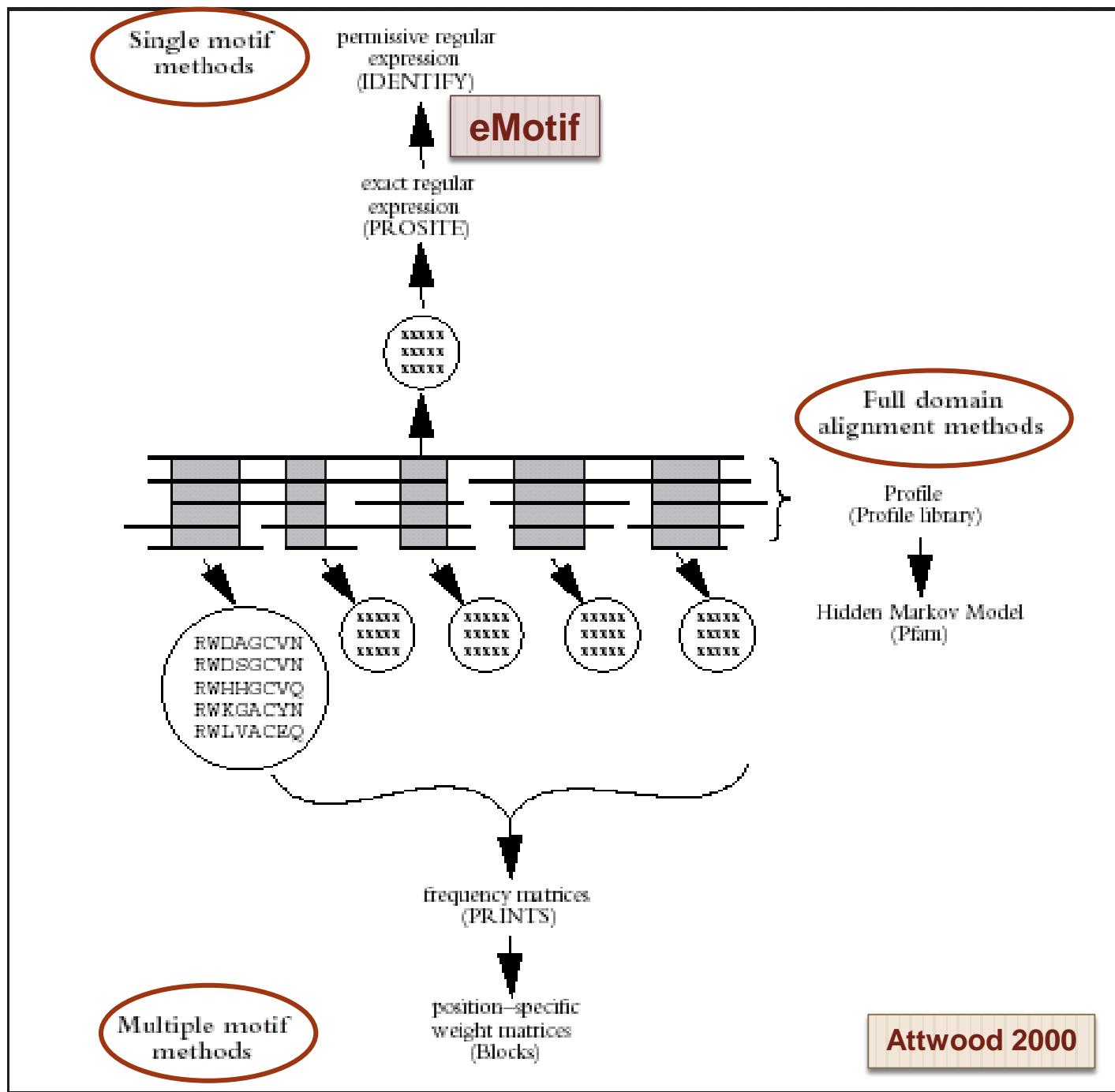


Significance: fold # << sequence ##

Levels of Protein Sequence & Structure Organization

Level/ Database	Content	Example
Primary	Sequence	"AVILDRYFH"
Secondary	Motif	[AS]-[IL]2-X[DE]-R-[FYW]2-H
Tertiary	Domain/ module	a,b,c or @, *, #





Major Secondary “Pattern” Database

2 nd Database	Primary Source	Stored Information
<u>PROSITE</u>	SWISS-PROT	Regular expression (pattern)
<u>PROSITE</u>	BLOCKS+/Prints	Fuzzy expression (pattern)
<u>PRINTS</u>	SWISS-PROT/ TrEMBL	Aligned motifs - fingerprints
Profiles (<u>Prosite</u>)	SWISS-PROT	Weighted matrices (profiles)
<u>Pfam/SMART</u>	SWISS-PROT	Hidden Markov Models (HMMs)
Conserved Domain Database (<u>CDD</u>)	NCBI	Position-specific scoring matrices (PSSMs)

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Conserved Domains and Protein Classification

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Resources

Conserved Domain Database (CDD)
CDD is a protein annotation resource that consists of a collection of well-annotated multiple sequence alignment models for ancient domains and full-length proteins. These are available as position-specific score matrices (PSSMs) for fast identification of conserved domains in protein sequences via RPS-BLAST. CDD content includes NCBI-curated domains, which use 3D-structure information to explicitly define domain boundaries and provide insights into **sequence/structure/function relationships**, as well as domain models imported from a number of external source databases (Pfam, SMART, COG, PRK, TIGRFAM).
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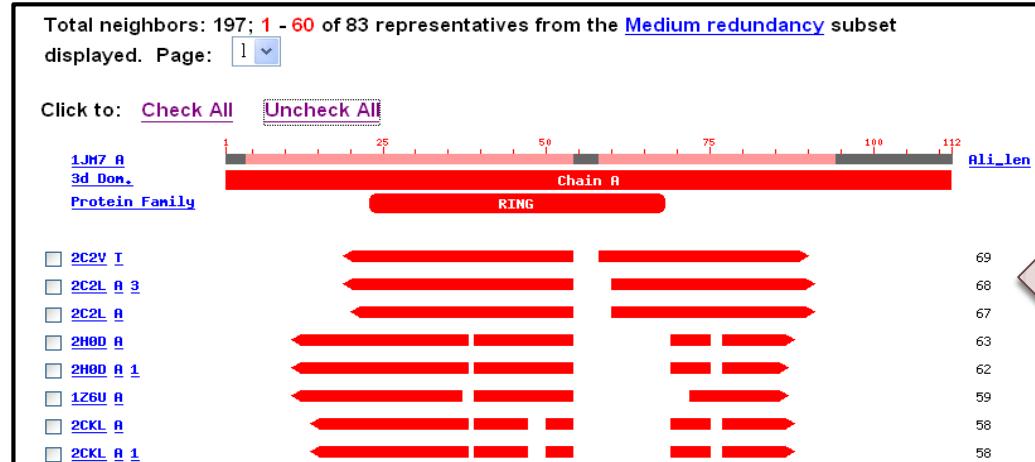
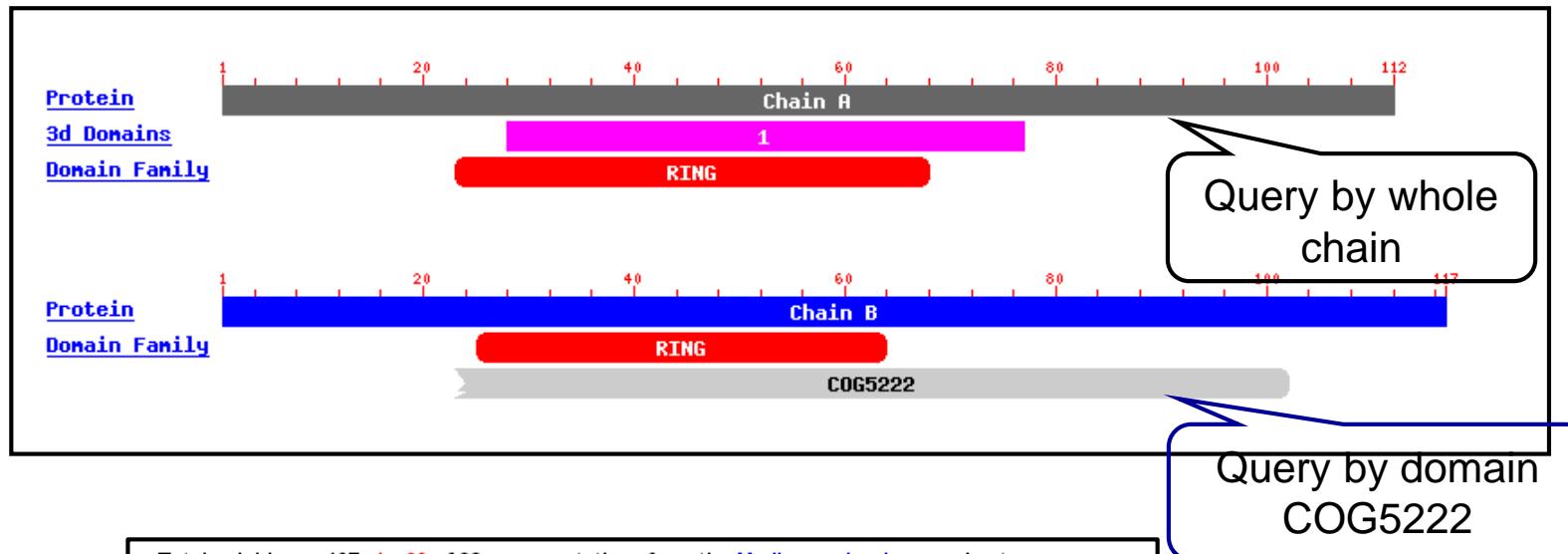
CD-Search & Batch CD-Search
CD-Search is NCBI's interface to searching the Conserved Domain Database with **protein query sequences**. It uses RPS-BLAST, a variant of PSI-BLAST, to quickly scan a set of pre-calculated position-specific scoring matrices (PSSMs) with a protein query. The results of CD-Search are presented as an annotation of protein domains on the user query sequence ([illustrated example](#)), and can be visualized as domain **multiple sequence alignments** with **embedded user queries**. High confidence associations between a query sequence and conserved domains are shown as **specific hits**.
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CDART: Domain Architectures
CDART is a database based on domain architecture queries. CDART finds protein structures similarity searches of the Entrez Protein database based on domain architecture. CDART finds protein structures similarity searches of the Entrez Protein database based on domain architecture.

送出查詢 Search Database CDD v2.28 - 39357 PSSMs
SMART v5.1 - 791 PSSMs
Pfam v24.0 - 11912 PSSMs
COG v1.00 - 4873 PSSMs
KOG v1.00 - 4825 PSSMs
PRK v6.00 - 10885 PSSMs
TIGR v10.00 - 4023 PSSMs

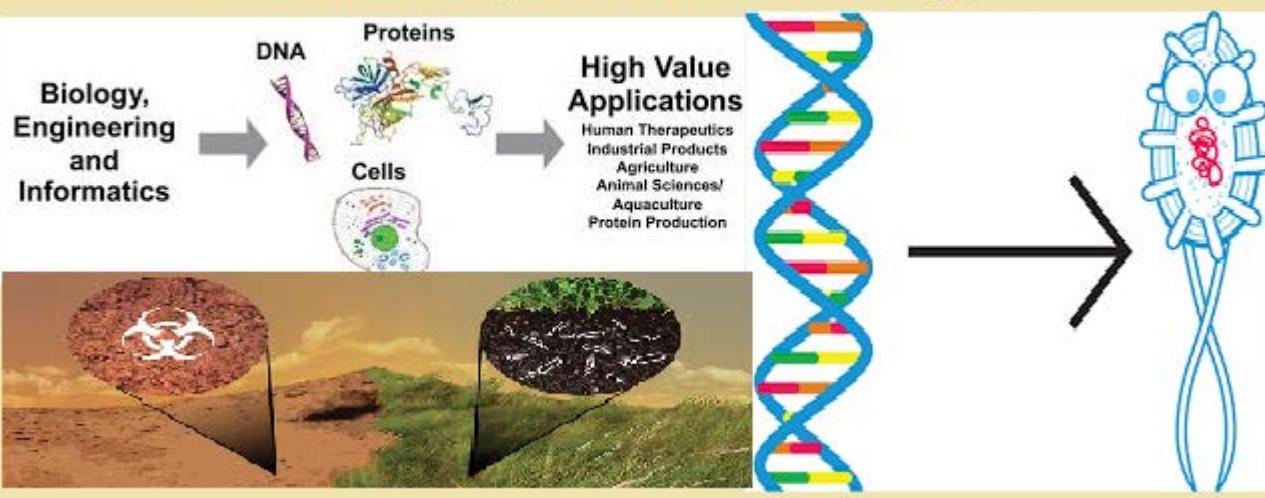
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VAST: Query by Chain or 3D Domain



Synthetic Biology

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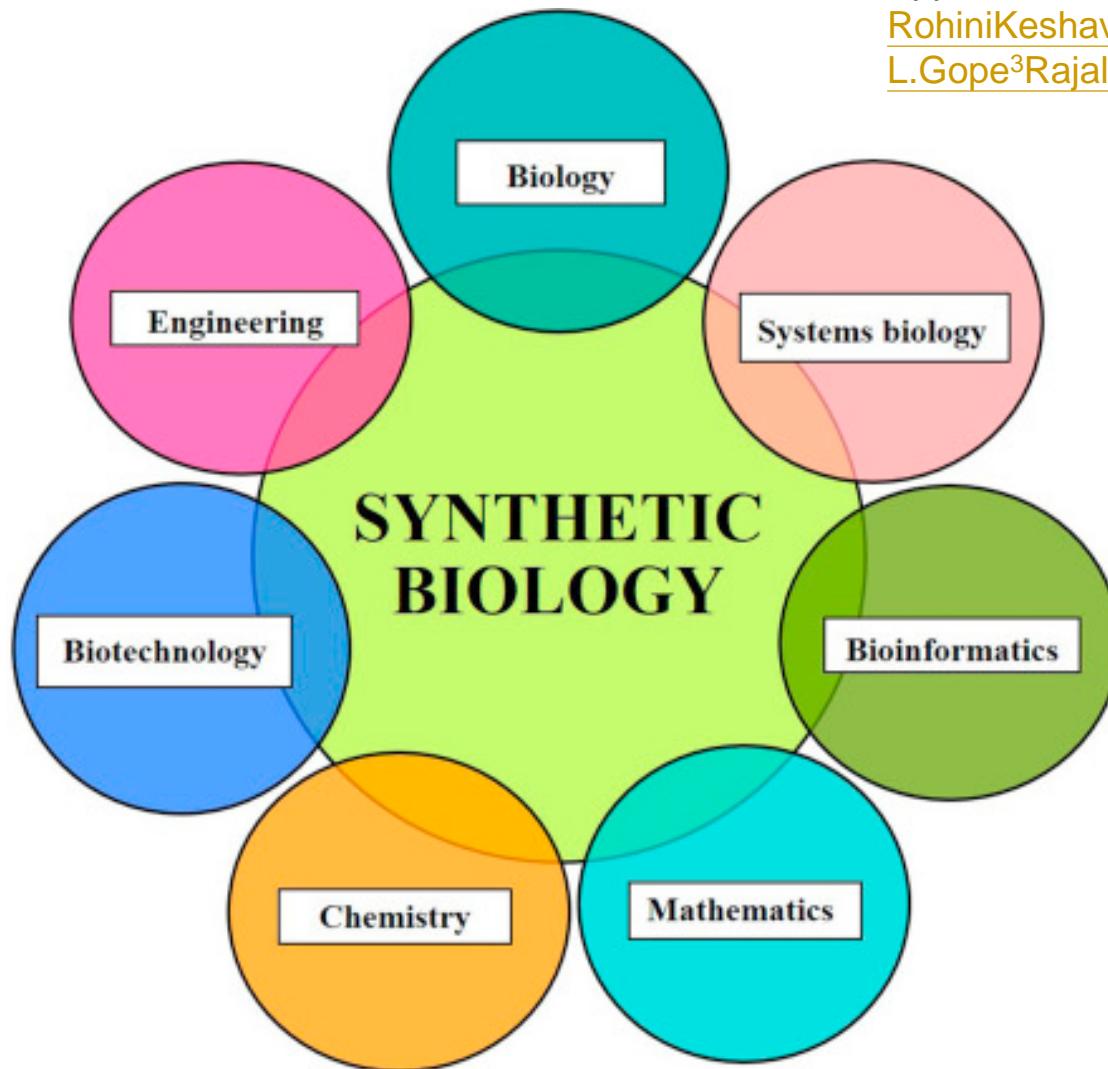
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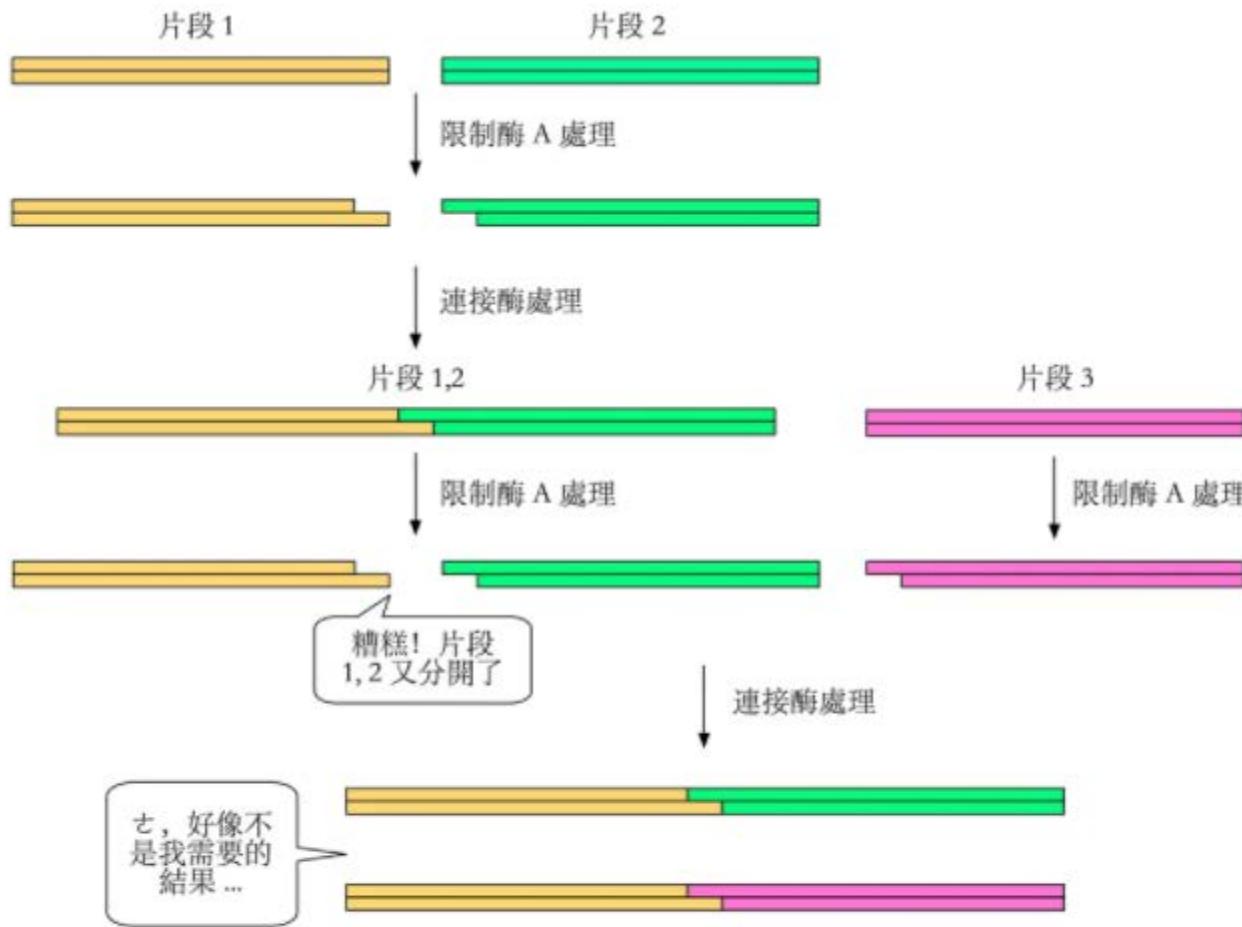
Synthetic biology is a field of science that involves redesigning organisms for useful purposes by engineering them to have new abilities. Synthetic biology researchers and companies around the world are harnessing the power of nature to solve problems in medicine, manufacturing and agriculture.



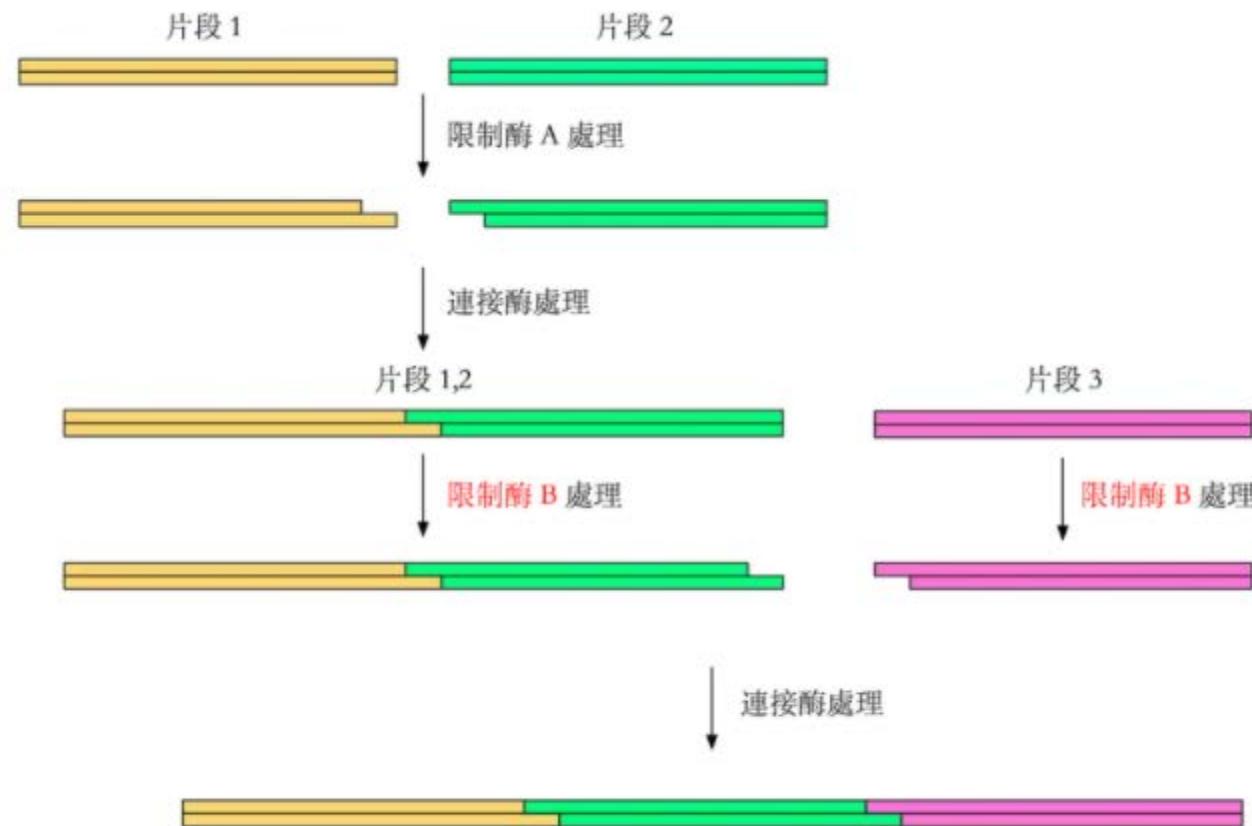
Example 1

- 因為每合成一個鹼基對 (base pair, bp) DNA 的價格，三十年前要價數十至數百美元不等，而如今降低到只需要一美元或低於一美元，有人將這種現象比擬為生命科學研究上的摩爾定律。
- DNA 合成技術的成熟，大大降低了DNA 合成的經濟門檻，也預告著大尺度基因體工程與合成生物學研究時代的來臨。
- 2008 年，JCVI (J. Craig Venter Institute) 的研究人員用 5000 ~ 7000 bp 大小的化學合成DNA 片段 (chemically synthesized DNA fragments)，以人工方式兩兩相連接組裝成一個 582,970 bp 的 *Mycoplasma genitalium* 細菌基因體。

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圖一 失敗的三段組裝



圖二 成功的三段組裝

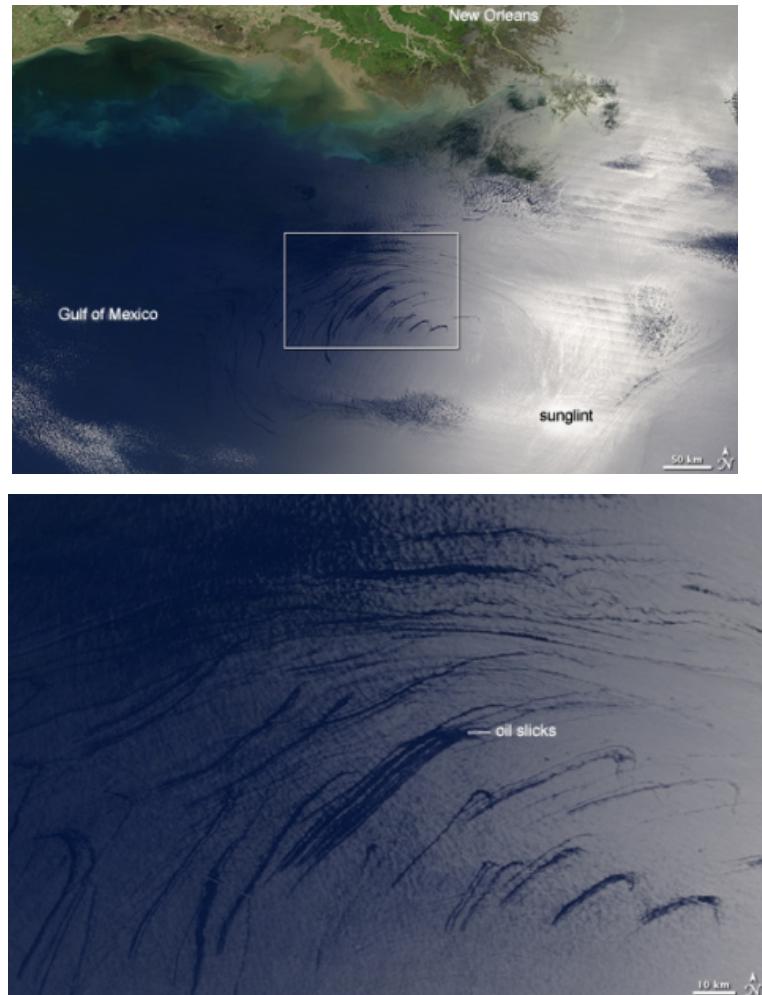
Example 2



- Tom Knight 教授提出一種標準的 DNA 片段的組裝方式^{9,10}，在每次的組裝可以使用相同的方式，不需要再費心選擇每次組裝使用的限制酶酵素。這樣的組裝方式，讓DNA 片段可以像積木一樣，一個片段一個片段一直連續組裝下去，生物零件 (biological Part) 的概念就因此誕生。
- 將生物 DNA 片段零件化，是工程思維應用在分子生物學的一個重大發明。因此，透過生物零件的定義與標準化的組裝方式，我們可以進一步組裝生物設備 (biological device)，或更進一步可以組裝一個生物系統 (biological system)，形成一個由生物零件為基礎的工程框架¹¹。

Example 3: microorganisms harnessed for bioremediation

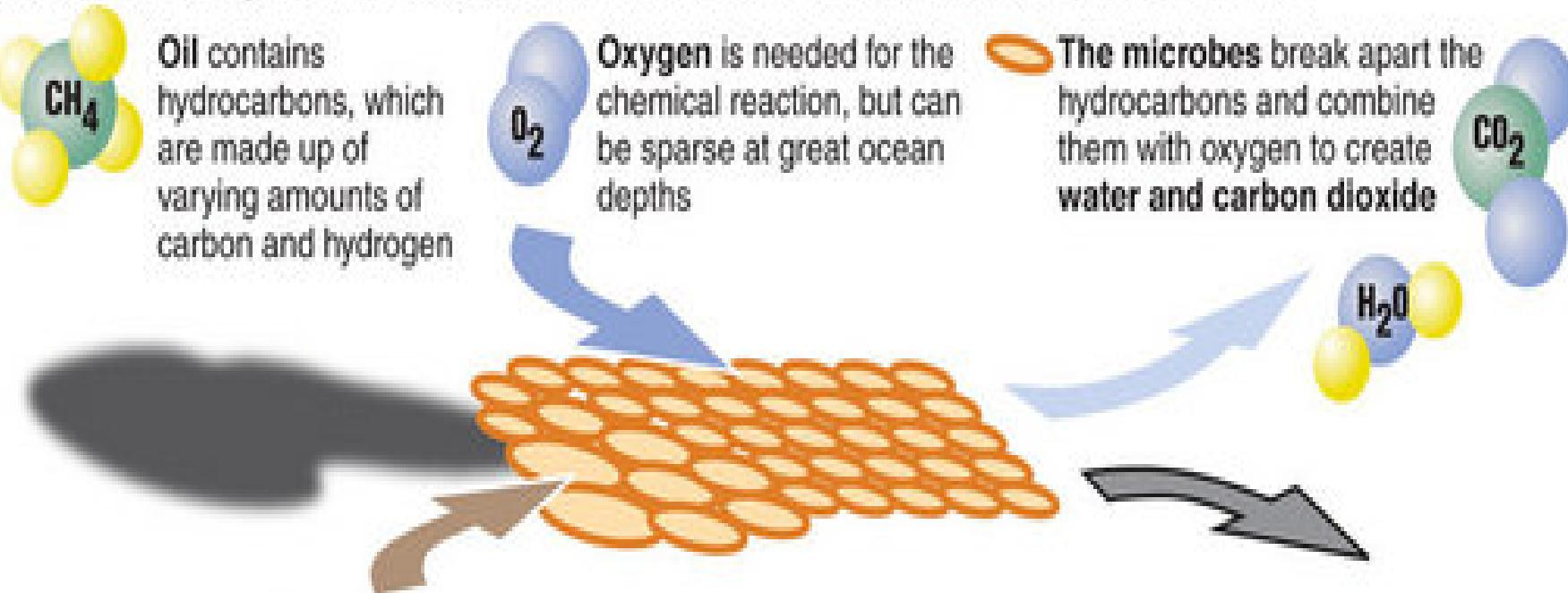
While invisible up close, microscopic oil **slicks** 浮油 from natural seeps 渗透 are visible from **space** because cohesion 凝聚 between oil molecules flattens wave action to **form smooth areas** on the water (2010, BP)



Oil-eating microbes

Naturally occurring microbes in the ocean feed on the hydrocarbons in oil. Scientists hope to speed up the process for the large spill in the Gulf of Mexico, where warm temperatures also aid the reaction.

Petroleum-degrading microbes
called *Oceanospirillales*



Source: Terry Hazen, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
Graphic: Miami Herald

Example 4: Rice modified to produce beta-carotene, a nutrient usually associated with carrots, that prevents vitamin A deficiency



Vitamin A deficiency causes blindness in 250,000 - 500,000 children every year and greatly increases a child's risk of death from infectious diseases.

Example 5: Yeast engineered to produce rose oil as an eco-friendly and sustainable substitute for real roses that perfumers use to make luxury scents.

Engineered yeast could replace flowers in fragrances

By Michelle Yeomans 

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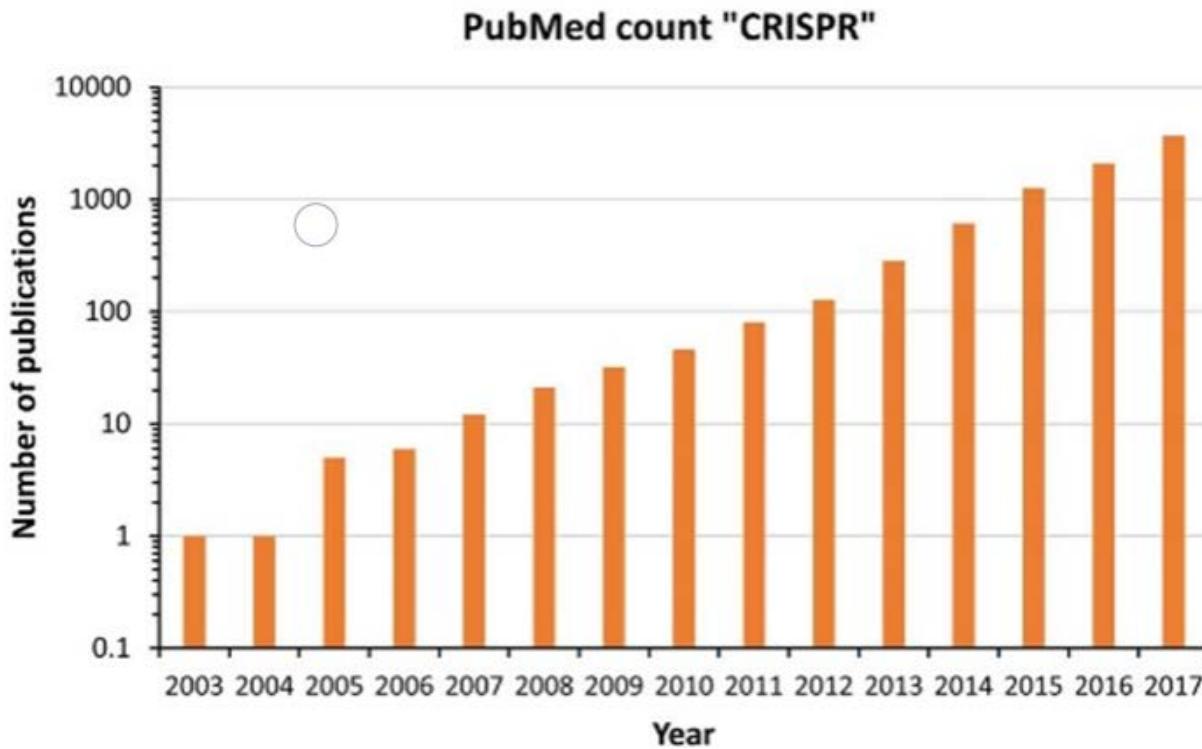
Boston-based specialists in synthetic biology Ginkgo Biowork is using yeast to produce fragrances that are cheaper than using naturally sourced ingredients.

Genome Editing

What is the difference between synthetic biology and genome editing?

- In some ways, synthetic biology is similar to another approach called "**genome editing**" because both involve changing an organism's genetic code; however, some people draw a distinction between these two approaches based on how that change is made.
- In **synthetic biology**, scientists typically stitch together long stretches of DNA and insert them into an organism's genome.
 - These synthesized pieces of DNA could be genes that are found in other organisms or they could be entirely novel.
- In **genome editing**, scientists typically use tools to **make smaller changes** to the organism's own DNA. Genome editing tools can also be used to delete or add small stretches of DNA in the genome.

CIRSPR/Cas9 Applications are Exploding and Revolutionize Molecular Biology



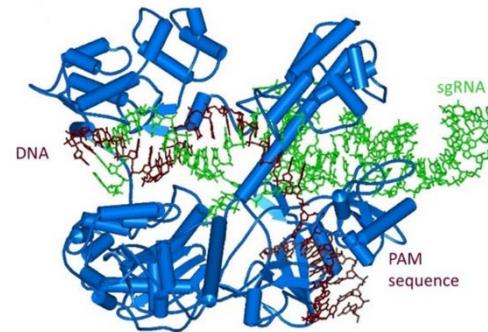
Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR)

- A genome editing technique that
 - Targets a specific section of DNA
 - Make a precise cut/break at the target site
- Applications
 1. To make a gene nonfunctional (knockout)
 2. Replace one version of a gene with another
 - E.g., gene therapy
 - David Vetter was born without a functioning immune system and spent his life in a bubble that protected him from germs. He died at age 12 in 1984. Scientists are using gene therapy to treat the disorder so that children can live normally.

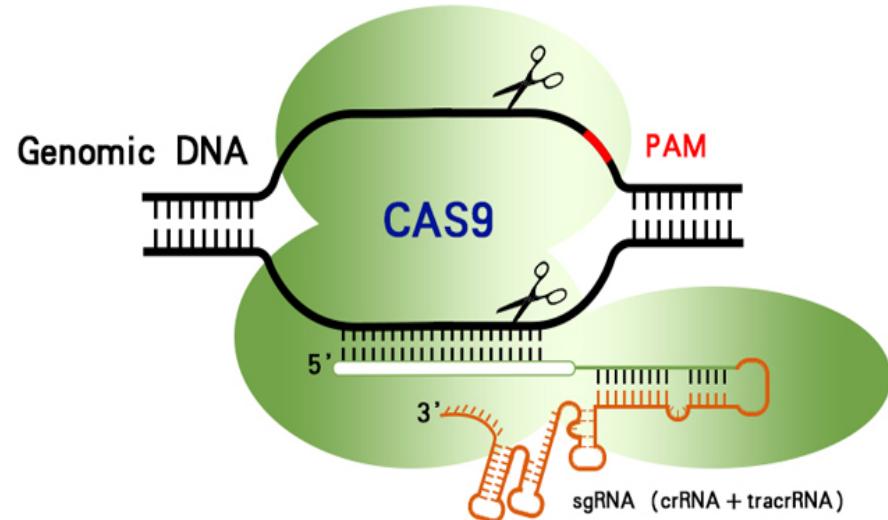
Adenosine Deaminase (ADA)



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Structure of *staphylococcus aureus* Cas9 (blue) bound to single guide RNA (green) & targeted DNA (brown) (Nishimasu et al. 2015)



- Non-coding RNAs & Cas protein
- Protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) is a 2-6 base pair DNA sequence immediately following the DNA sequence targeted by the Cas9 nuclease in the CRISPR bacterial adaptive immune system
- sgRNA = single guide RNA = a targeting sequence (crRNA sequence) + (a Cas9 nuclease-recruiting sequence: tracrRNA)



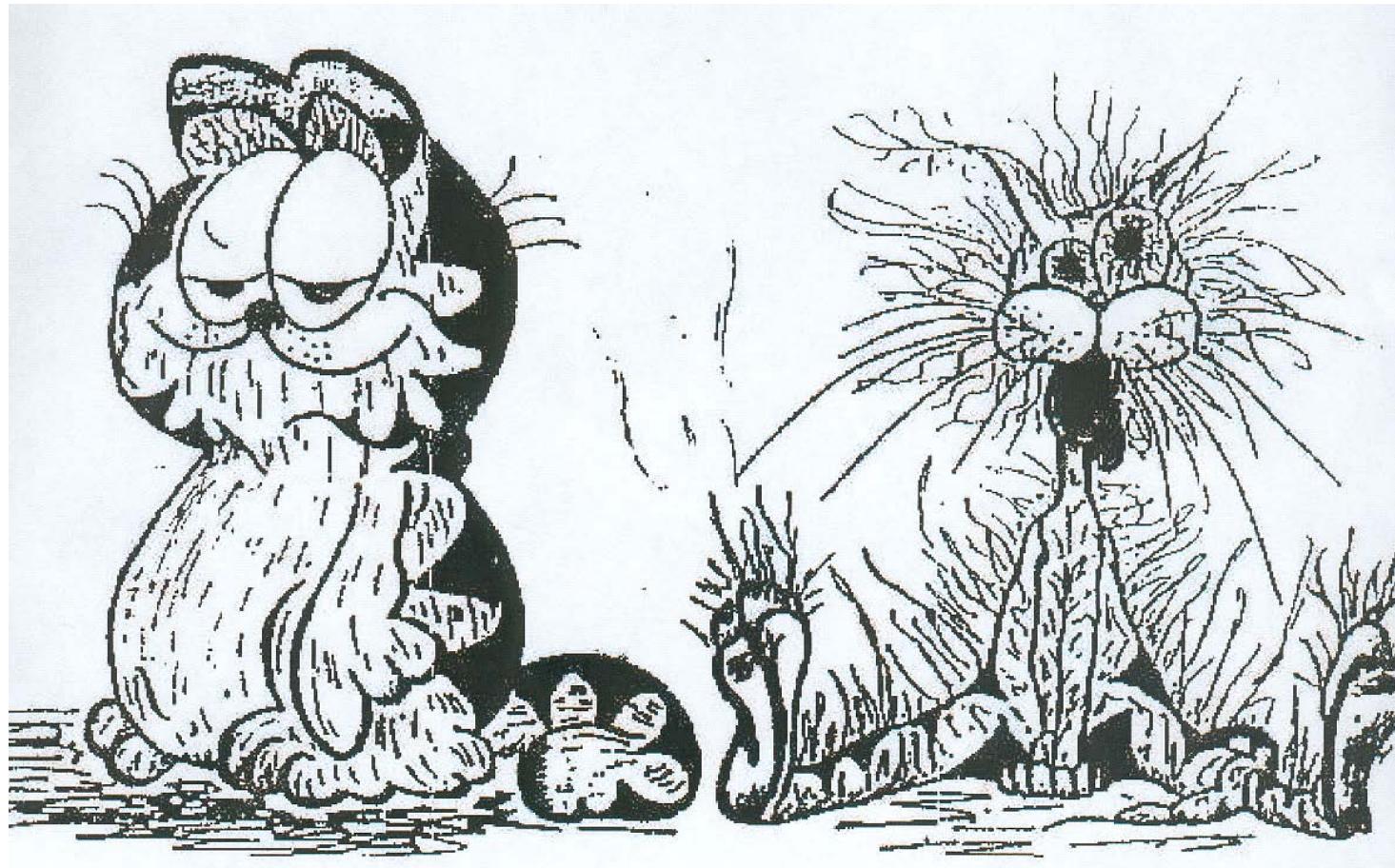
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