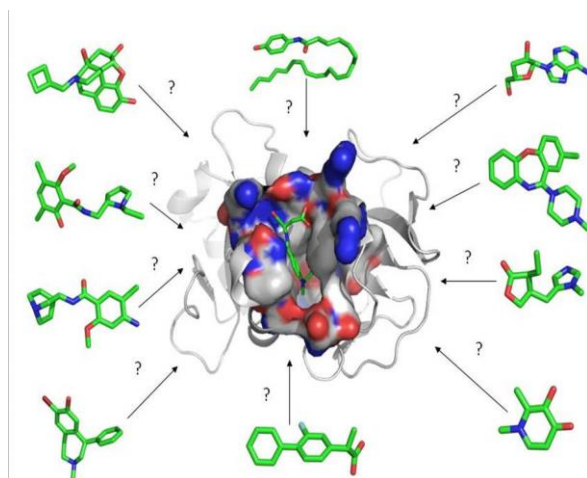




Virtual Drug Screening (VDS) Stream

5th Class – Fall 13



Freshman Research Initiative (FRI)

Dr. Jon Robertus - PI (principal investigator)

Dr. Josh Beckham – RE (research educator)



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Outline

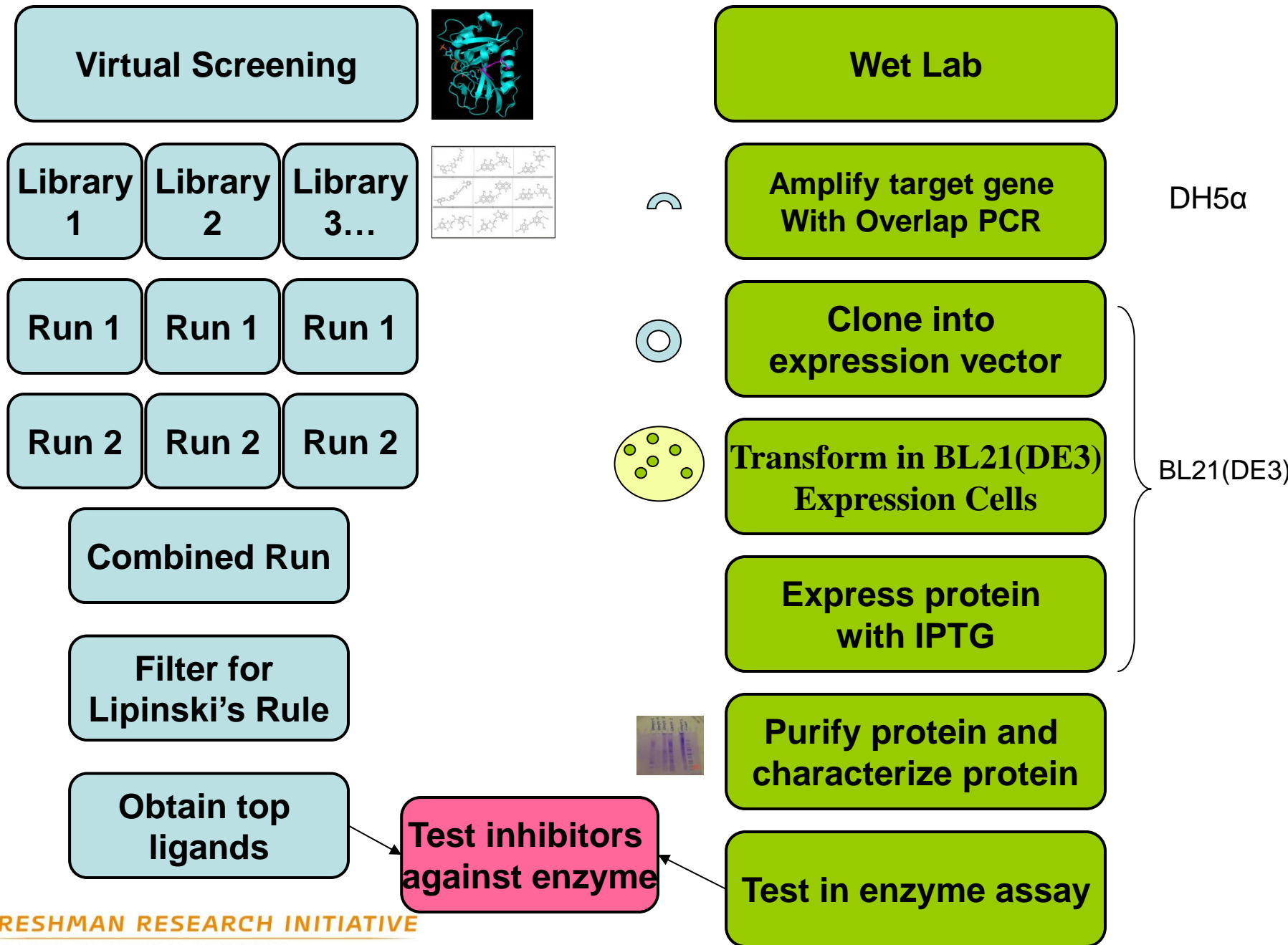
Early Class

- Dr. B slides
- Journal Club
 - none
- Research Presentations
 - Jacky & Kevin
- Technique Presentations
 - Priya
 - Katherine V.
- Dr. B slides

Late Class

- Dr. B slides
- Journal Club
 - none
- Research Presentations
 - Grace & Young
- Technique Presentations
 - Kavya
 - Grace
- Dr. B slides

Your VDS project in a nutshell



Timeline

- Veterans
 - Cloning should be done..... late Sept
 - Protein expression byEarly October
 - Enzyme assays.....Late Oct.
- Springers
 - Cloning should be done..... Early October
 - Protein expression byLate Oct.
 - Enzyme assays.....Early Nov

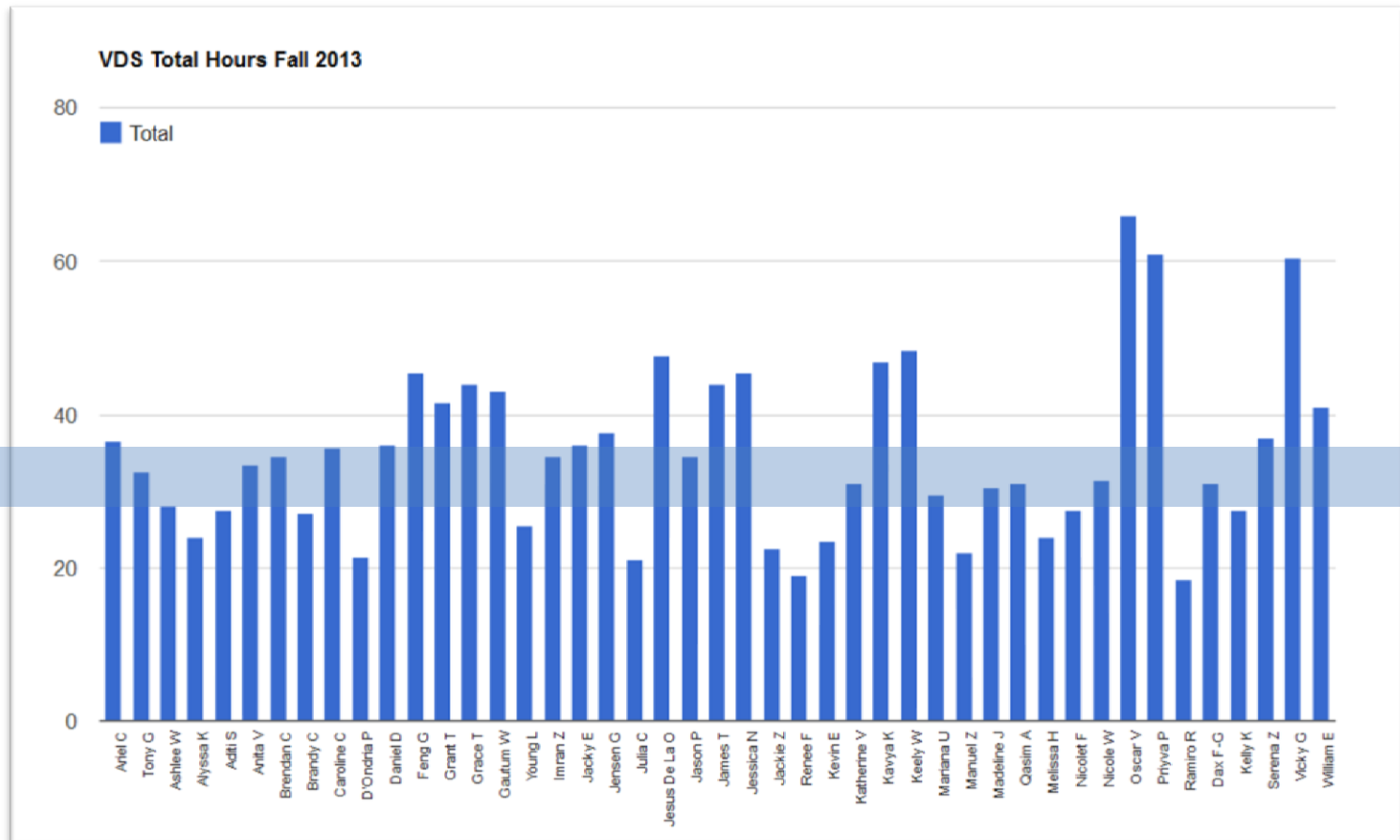




Hours are nice, but progress is key

You are ultimately responsible for your progress...
not sure what to do next? – ask a mentor or Dr. B

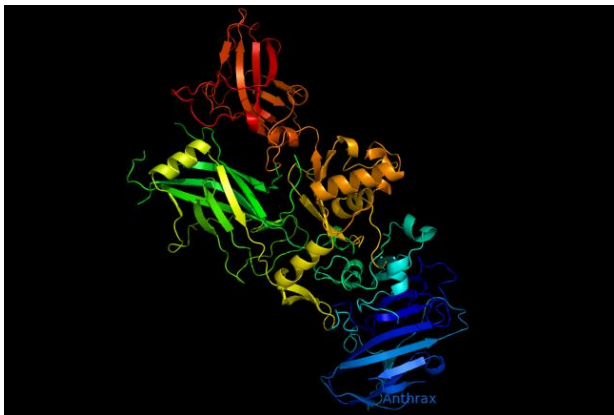
- 4th Week = 3.5 weeks = at least 28 hrs - 35 hrs



Research Report on Target

- Due: **Sunday Oct. 6th**
- Guidelines for Report will be posted to Google Docs
 - Background on Disease and Target
 - What methods you propose to use to find inhibitors
- You will use part of this as the Intro section of your final report





Research Report on Target

- A lot of details can be recycled from your Target page and converted into a report format!

Format for Individual Target pages (copy this list to new Target page and then fill in for your target):

*Target (protein/gene name):
 *NCBI Gene # or RefSeq#:
 *Protein ID (NP or XP #) or Wolbachia#:
 *Organism (including strain):
 Etiologic Risk Group (see link below):
 *Background/Disease Information (sort of like the Intro to your Mini Research Write up):
 Link to TDR Targets page (if present):
 Link to Gene Database page (NCBI, EuPath databases -e.g. TryTryp, PlasmoDB, etc - or PATRIC, etc.)
 Essentiality of this protein:
 Complex of proteins?:
 Druggable Target (list number or cite evidence from a paper/database showing druggable in another organism):

*EC#:

Link to BRENDA EC# page:

-- Show screenshot of BRENDA enzyme mechanism schematic
Enzyme Assay information (spectrophotometric, coupled assay ?, reagents):
 -- link to Sigma (or other company) page for assay (see Sigma links below)
 -- or link (or citation) to paper that contains assay information
 -- links to assay reagents (substrates) pages.
 --- List cost and quantity of substrate reagents, supplier, and catalog #

Structure Available (PDB or Homology model)

-- PDB # or closest PDB entry if using homology model:
 -- For Homology Model option:
 ---- Show pairwise alignment of your BLASTP search in NCBI against the PDB
 ---- Query Coverage:
 ---- Max % Identities:
 ---- % Positives
 ---- Chain used for homology:

Current Inhibitors:

Expression Information (has it been expressed in bacterial cells):



Research Report on Target

- There will not be a **Results** section
 - because you don't have any yet!
- Cite at least 3 papers
 - one review paper and one experimental
 - ACS (American Chemical Society) bibliography format
 - PubMed, Web of Science
 - see Spring semester Lit Search Assignment



Research Report on Target

- Resources

PDB

BRENDA (<http://www.brenda-enzymes.org/>)

EXPASY (<http://ca.expasy.org/tools/protparam.html>)

A few other on Wiki Site – at bottom of Target Page

you can add to the list if you find some good ones you want to share



Schedule of Presentations

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
	Month	Day	Date		Journal Club	Present Research	Technique presentations	Journal Club	Present Research	Technique presentations
					Early Class 1:30-2:30	Early Class 1:30-2:30	Early Class 1:30-2:30	Late Class 2:30-3:30	Late Class 2:30-3:30	Late Class 2:30-3:30
		24-Sep	Tuesday							
	GEA 125	25-Sep	Wednesday			JACQUELINE E KEVIN E	PCR and Over PRIYA P Gel electrophoresis - DNA and some protein KATHERINE V		GRACE T HYUN-YOUNG	PCR and Over GRACE T Gel electrophoresis - DNA and some protein KAVYA K
		26-Sep	Thursday							
		27-Sep	Friday							
		28-Sep	Saturday							
		29-Sep	Sunday							
October	Week6	30-Sep	Monday							
		1-Oct	Tuesday							
	GEA 125	2-Oct	Wednesday	Journal Club 3	CAROLINE C - 1:30 -2 & 3-3:30 IMRAN Z- 1:30 OSCAR V			ARIEL C JASON P		
		3-Oct	Thursday							
		4-Oct	Friday							
		5-Oct	Saturday							
		6-Oct	Sunday	Research Report on target						
	Week7	7-Oct	Monday							
		8-Oct	Tuesday							
	GEA 125	9-Oct	Wednesday			SERENA Z Alyssa K KATHERINE V	pNIC-Bsa4 LIC cloning KATHERINE F Midiprep/Miniprep JACQUELINE E		BRENDAN C Madeline J RAMIRO R NICOLET F	pNIC-Bsa4 LIC cloning HYUN-YOUNG Midiprep/Miniprep ASHLEE W
		10-Oct	Thursday							

Research Presentations



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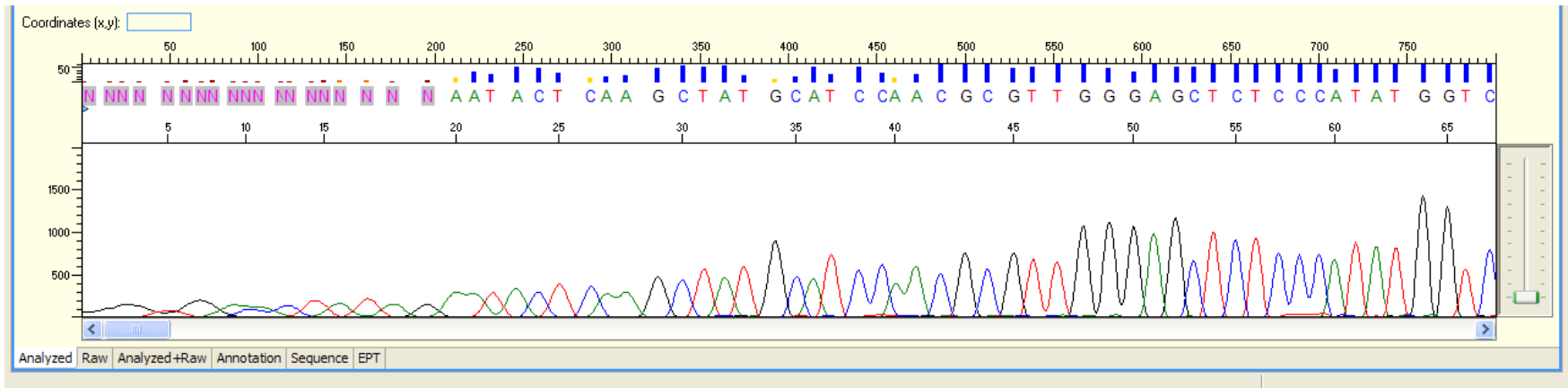
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Technical Presentations



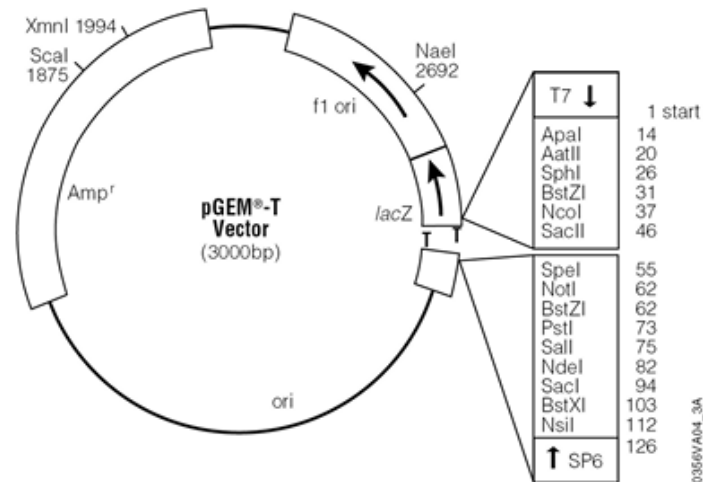
DNA Sequencing

- What is this called?
 - Electropherogram

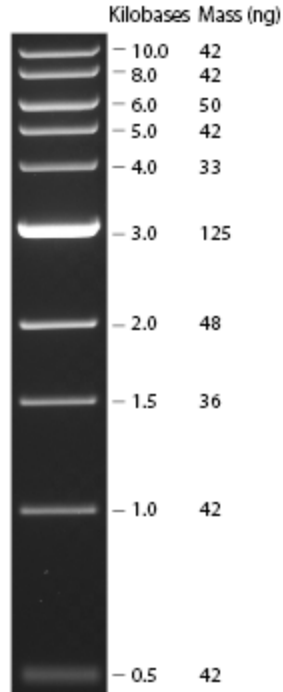


Our test plasmid: pGEM-gbr22

- pGem T vector backbone
- Size is 3,708 bp

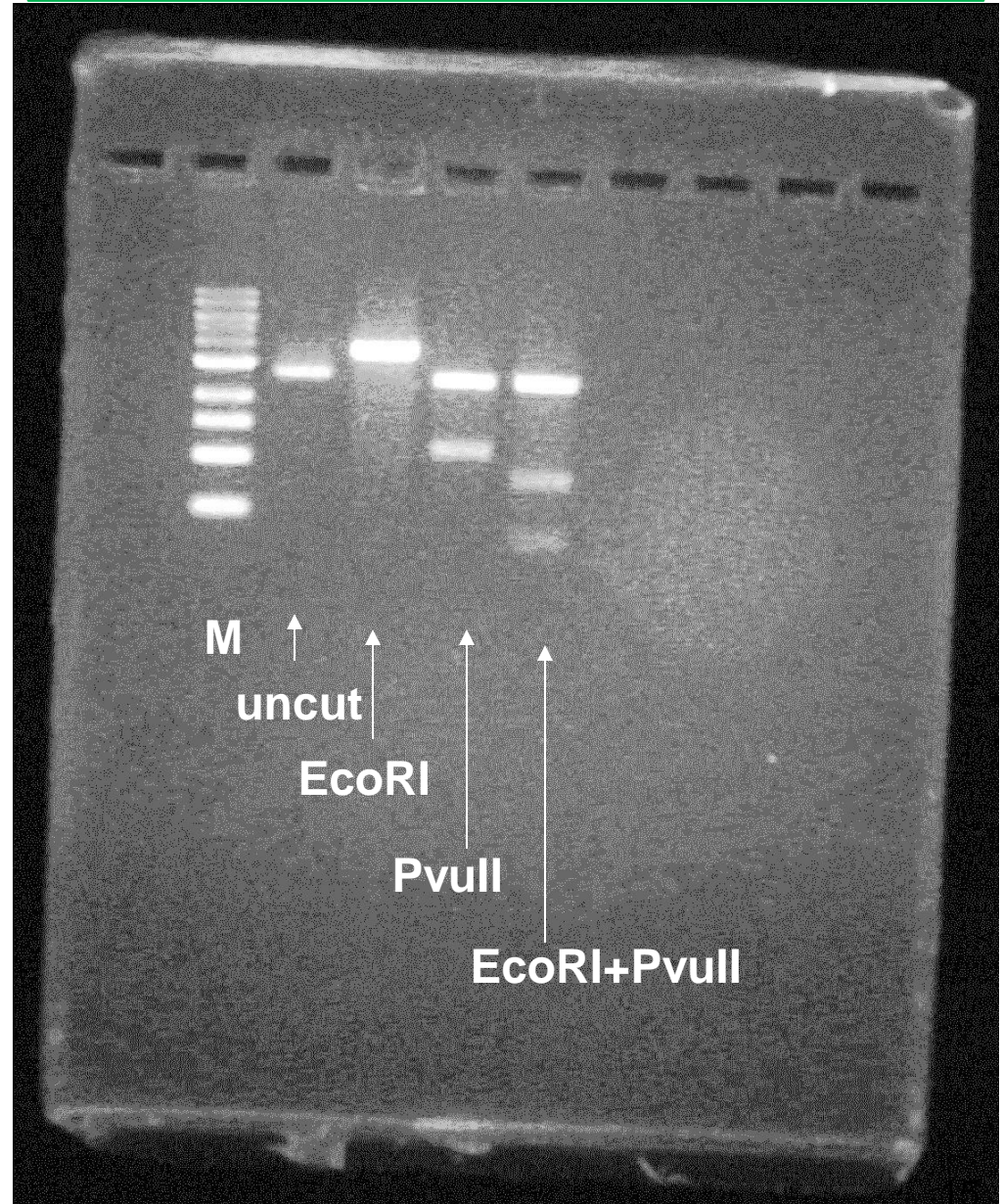


pGBR22 gel w/ EtBr



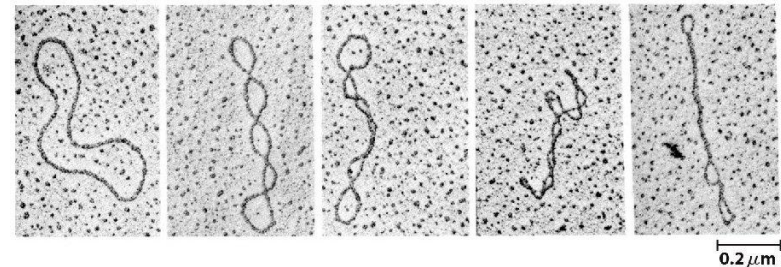
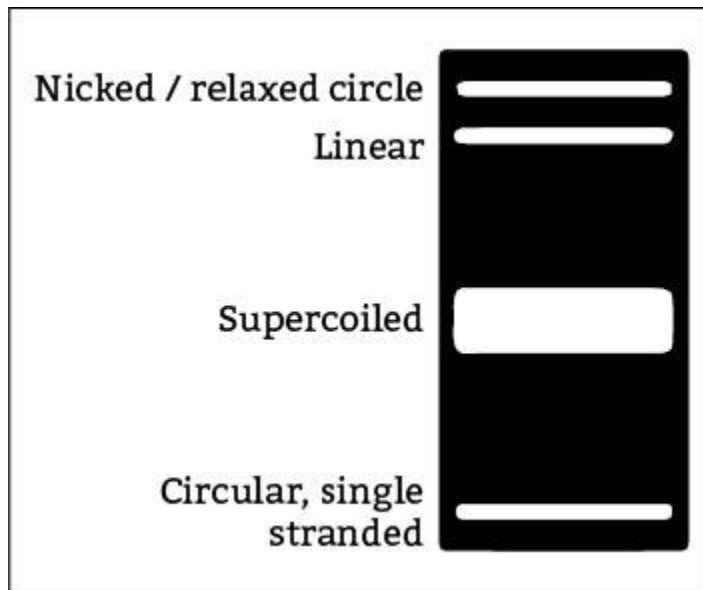
#	Ends	Coordinates	Length (bp)
1	PvuII-PvuII	111-2674	2564
2	PvuII-EcoRI	2675-3488	814
3	EcoRI-PvuII	3489-110	332

Why are the lower bands less bright?



Why is Uncut plasmid higher than Cut plasmid?

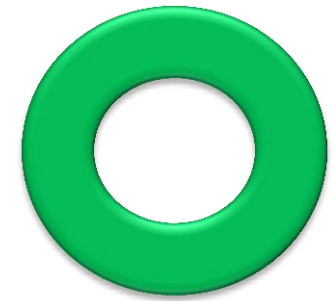
Relative Positions of Different DNA Forms of a Plasmid on a Tris-Acetate Agarose Gel



Circular → Supercoiled

Cloning

- Insert our gene of interest (G.O.I.) into an plasmid so that we can make more copies
- How do you get the 'gene' though
 - We will piece it together (polymerize - PCR)
 - Vs. cutting it out of something else

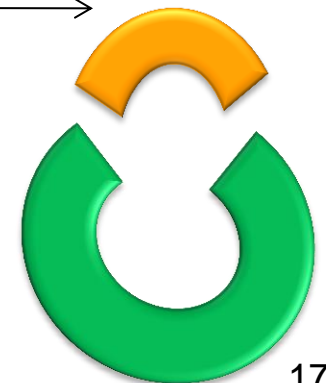
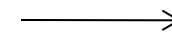


Plasmid 'vector'



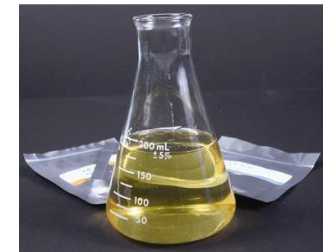
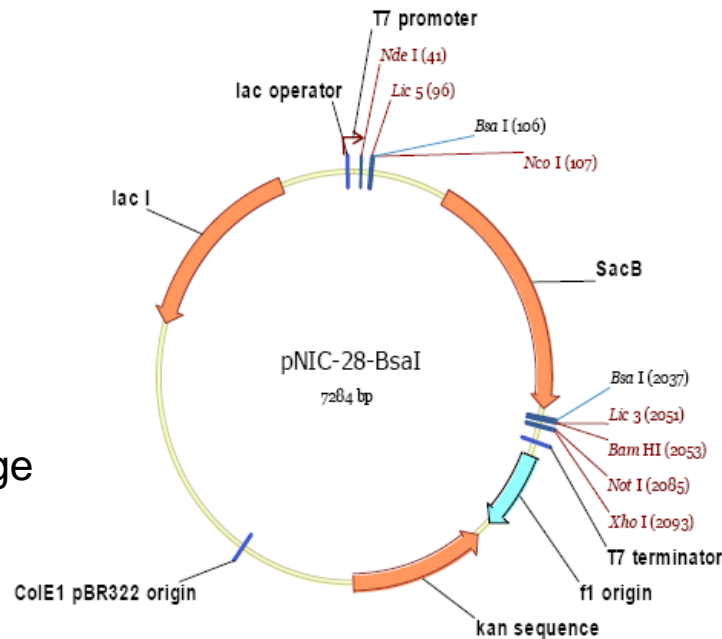
Open plasmid

Gene



Vector from SGC (Structural Genomics Consortium)

- Expression vector
 - Make protein
- Need lots
- LB agar plates
 - transformation
- LB media
 - To grow up large batch

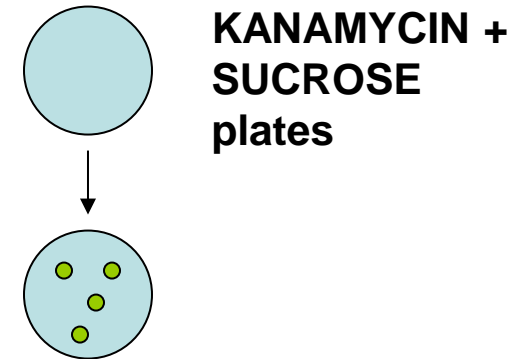
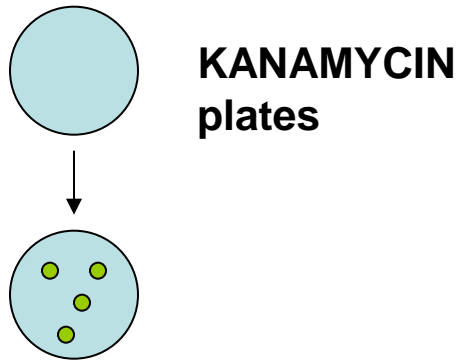


Transformation of expression vectors



pNIC-Bsa4 into **DH5alpha**

Your Gene in pNIC-Bsa4 into **BL21(DE3)**



For DNA
MidiPrep

For Protein
Expression

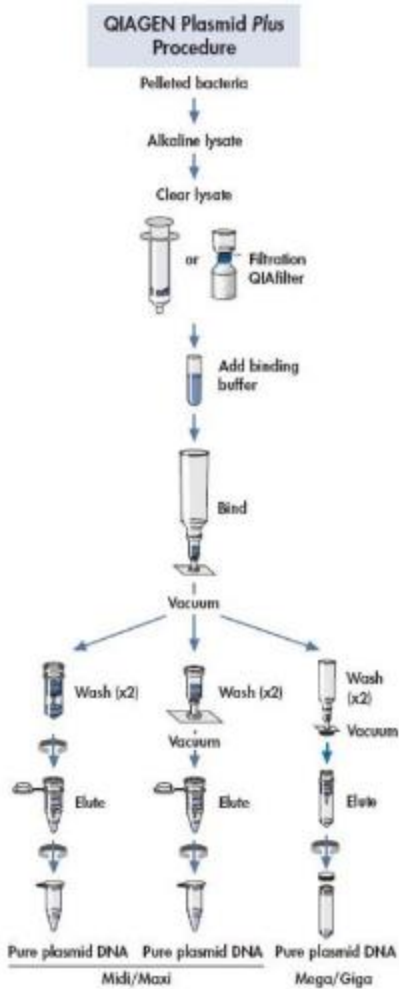
Midi- Prep

- Extract plasmids DNA from bacterial cells
 - Get rid of lipids, proteins, RNA, and other junk

NOTE:

post your Nanodrop concentrations of pNIC-Bsa4 from MidiPrep on the Google Docs spreadsheet

- in [/Misc/PlasmidConcentrations](#).

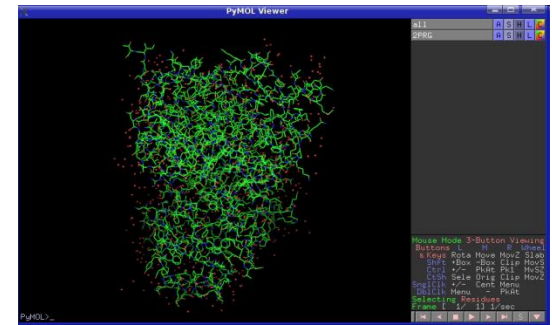




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Pymol Refresher



- Purpose: to get reacquainted with PyMol
- Target: *T cruzi* dihydrofolate reductase-thymidilate synthase (tcDHFR-TS)
- Due next week: **Saturday Sept. 28th**
 - for Returning Springers & Sidestreamers
 - Counts as 2 hrs of lab work



Virtual Screening

- Veterans

- Homology models
- Set up protein receptor in GOLD
- Control Ligand docking run



SIGMA-ALDRICH®

- Protocol to be posted
- Help Sessions on Thursday and Friday



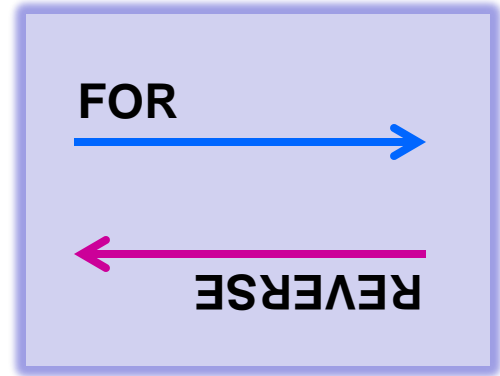


Working in Teams

- Some things can be done as teams
- But, if your 'team' is slowing you down – then move ahead on your own.



To Do list:



- Returning Spring and New VDSers
 - Primary (1^o) and Secondary (2^o) PCR
 - PyMol Refresher
 - Make LB media
 - Make LB plates
 - Transformation, grow up pNIC-Bsa4, cut it, etc.
- Veterans
 - Finish cloning of your gene into pNIC-Bsa4
 - Set up virtual screening and do Control Docking run



Lab Safety training

- Due: ASAP printout your results, put in binder
- Online training classes (TxClass)
 - CW 512 – recombinant DNA for non-exempt projects
- In person classes
 - FF 205 – Fire Extinguishing Training
 - ‘Site Specific’ Hazard Communication (OH 102)
 - Must repeat this semester
 - Show up at times with Aptamer mentor
 - ~~Wed 9/18 4-5 pm~~
 - ~~Mon 9/23 from 3-4pm~~
 - Wed 9/25 from 1-2pm
 - Maybe more to be added....



Journal Club – for next week



Contents lists available at ScienceDirect

Toxicon

journal homepage: www.elsevier.com/locate/toxicon



Identification of new classes of ricin toxin inhibitors by virtual screening

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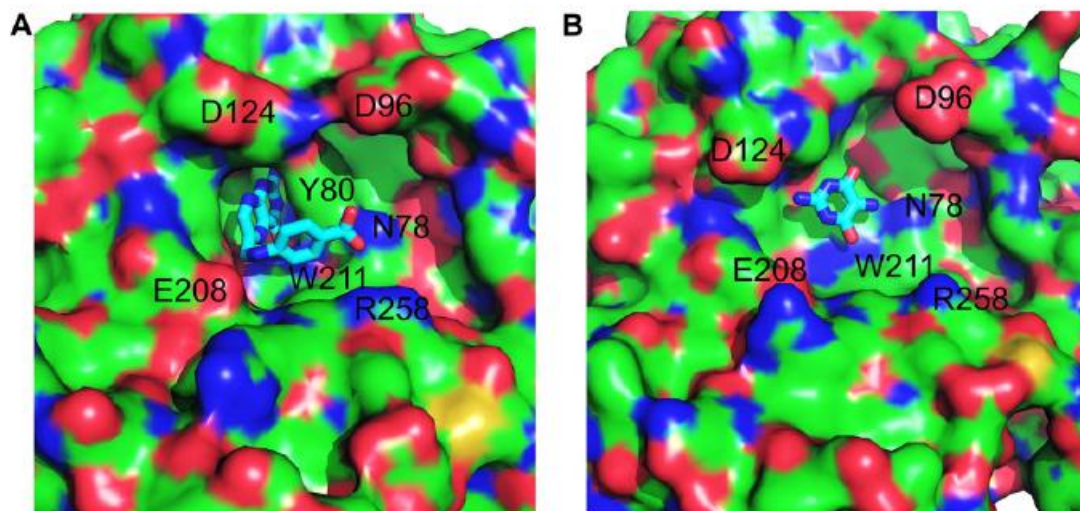
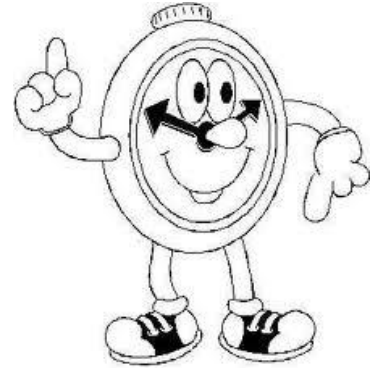


Fig. 1. Solvent-accessible surface structure of RTA. On the surface, oxygens are red, nitrogens blue, and carbons green. A. RTA in the open form with the inhibitor PTA (PDB:1BR6) occupying the adenine specificity pocket, and shown as a stick molecule. B. RTA in the closed form with the inhibitor 2,5-diamino-4,6-dihydroxypyrimidine (PDB:1IL5) shown in stick bonds. (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)



END



- Hours
 - Average 8 – 10 hrs of lab time
 - Makeups must be done the week after or week prior
 - Can't cram everything into a few weeks!
 - All virtual work should also be in your lab notebook
 - E.g. PyMol refresher (can be small)

