# Vision and Change Introductory Biology Lecture and Lab

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#### Outline of Presentation

Why change my intro bio course now?

How is *ICB* different?

Hands-on activity #1 - constructing your own knowledge

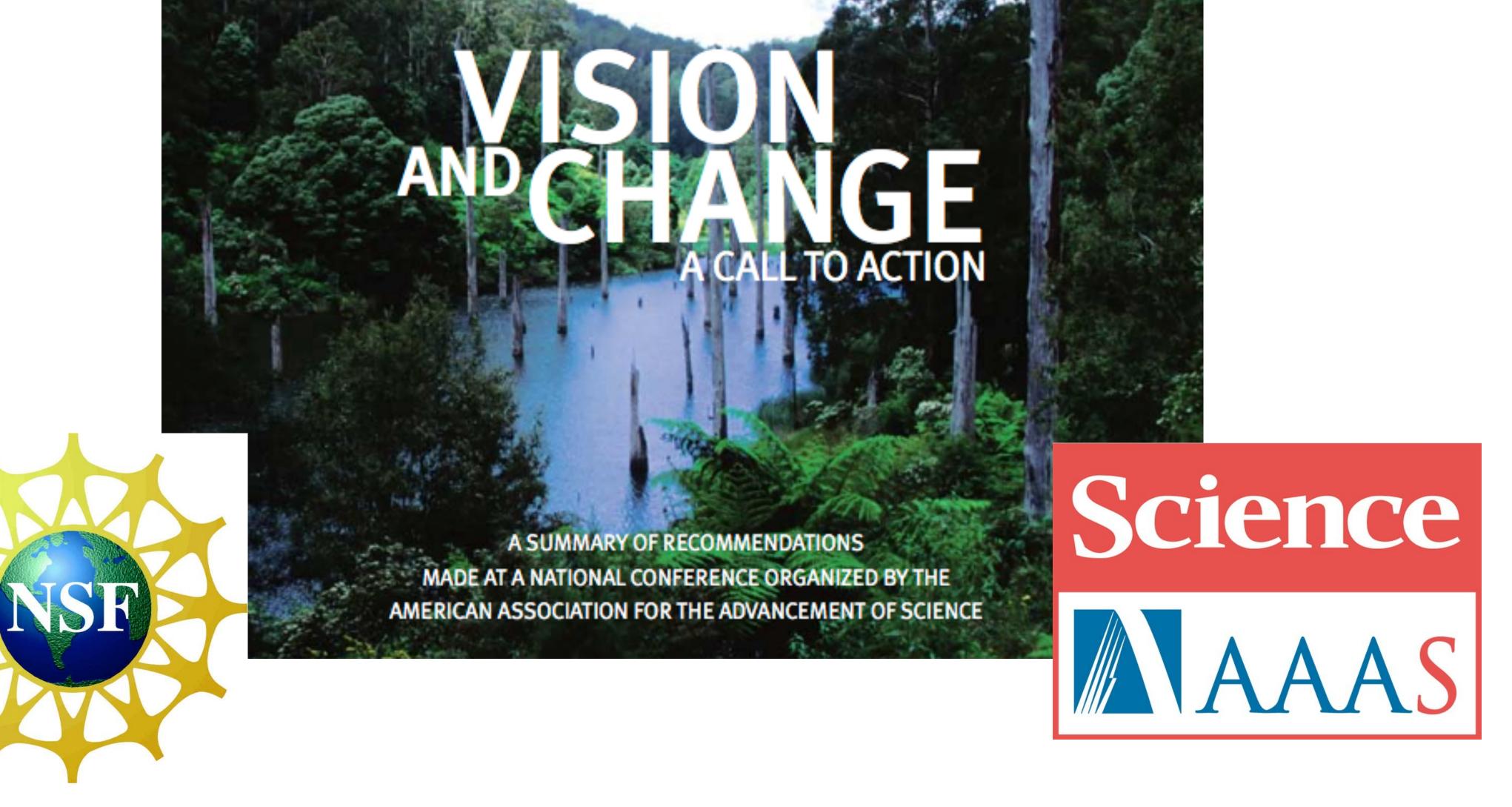
Did students meet learning objectives (content and attitude)?

Can intro labs be more authentic? Hands-on activity #2

pClone: real research by first year students

Closing remarks

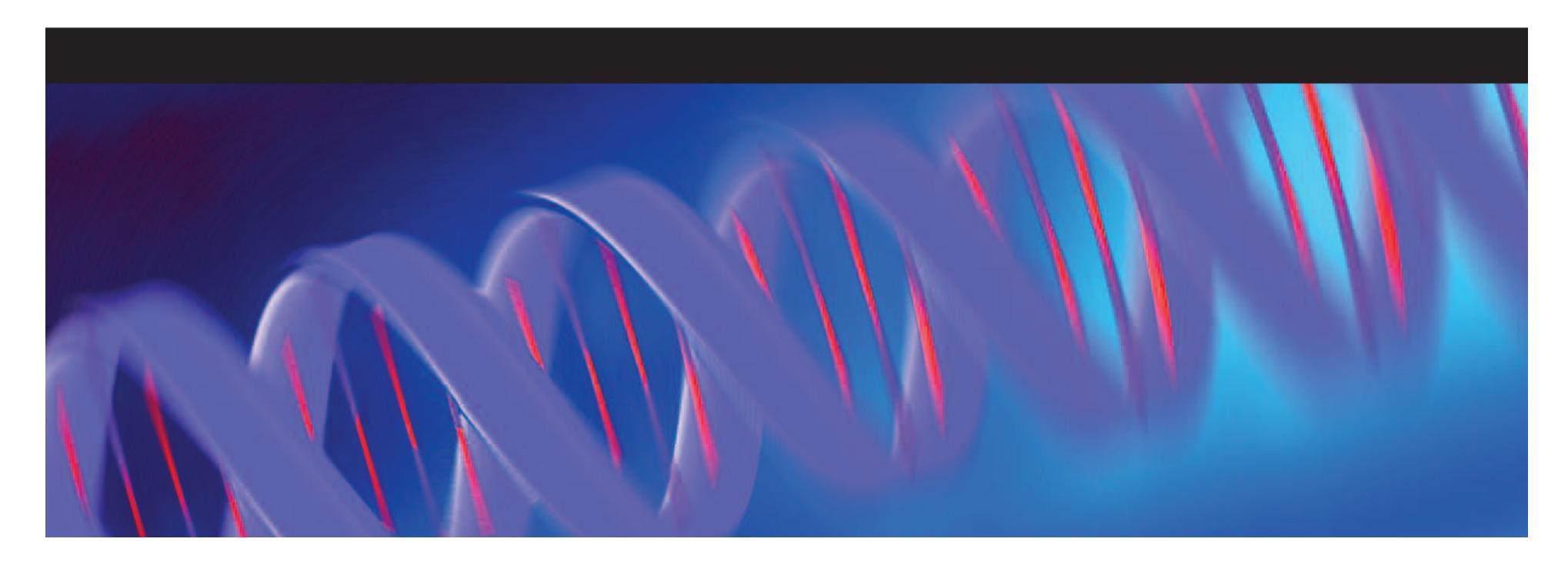
### National Recognition of Need to Change



## AP Biology Redesign in Third year

\*\*\*AP® BIOLOGY

Curriculum Framework
2012–2013



#### GRE General Test

Verbal Reasoning: measures your ability to understand what you read and how you apply your reasoning skills.

Quantitative Reasoning: measures your ability to

- understand quantitative information
- interpret and analyze quantitative information
- solve problems using mathematical models
- apply basic mathematical skills and elementary mathematical concepts of arithmetic, algebra, geometry and data interpretation
- includes real-life scenarios

Analytical Writing: provide focused responses to prompts so you can demonstrate your ability to directly respond.

## MCAT Redesigned Test

Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills: analyze, evaluate, and apply information provided in passages

**Natural Sciences:** combine knowledge of natural science concepts with their scientific inquiry and reasoning skills to solve problems that demonstrate their readiness for medical school.

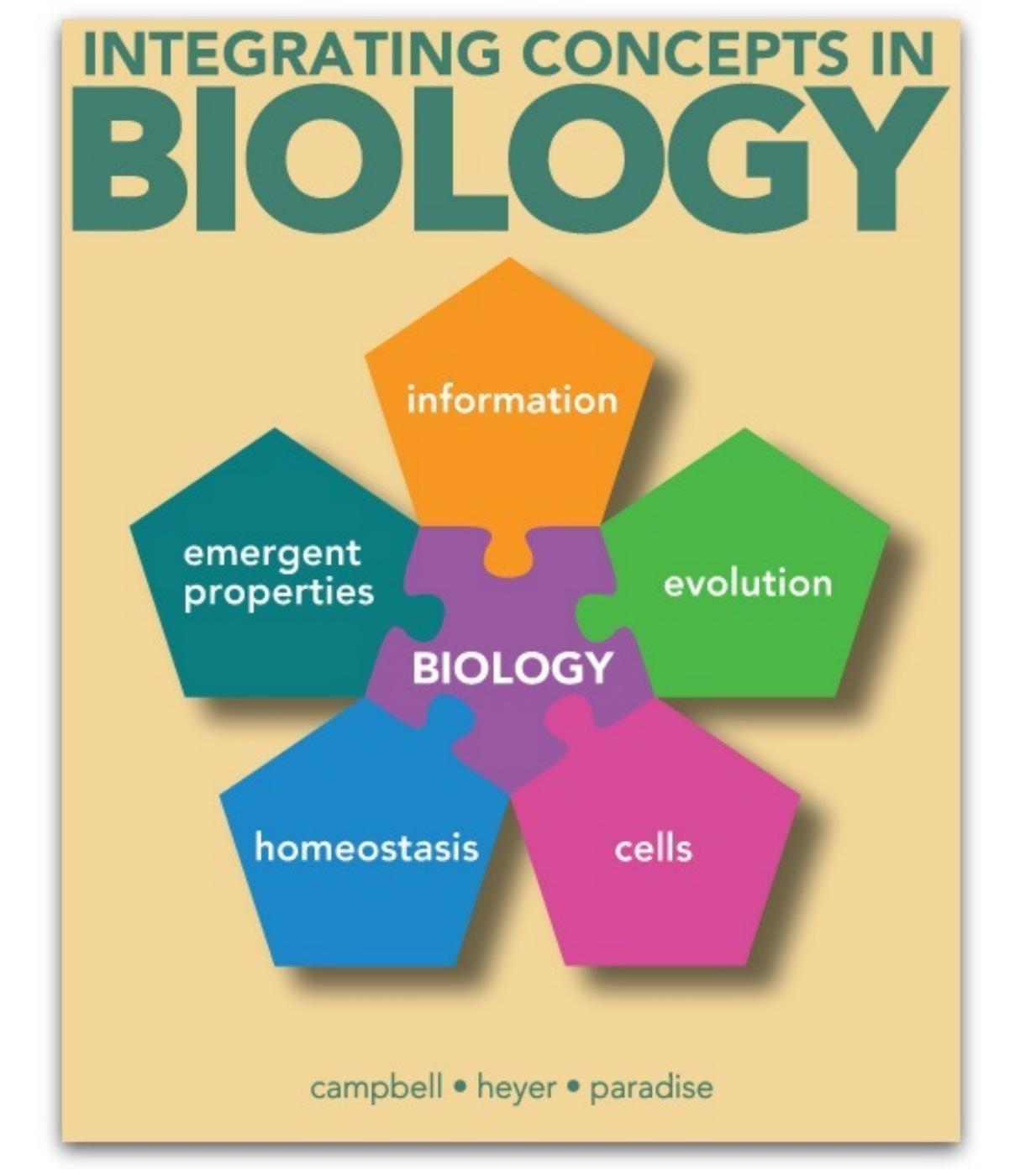
Psychological, Social, and Biological Foundations of Behavior

full disclosure

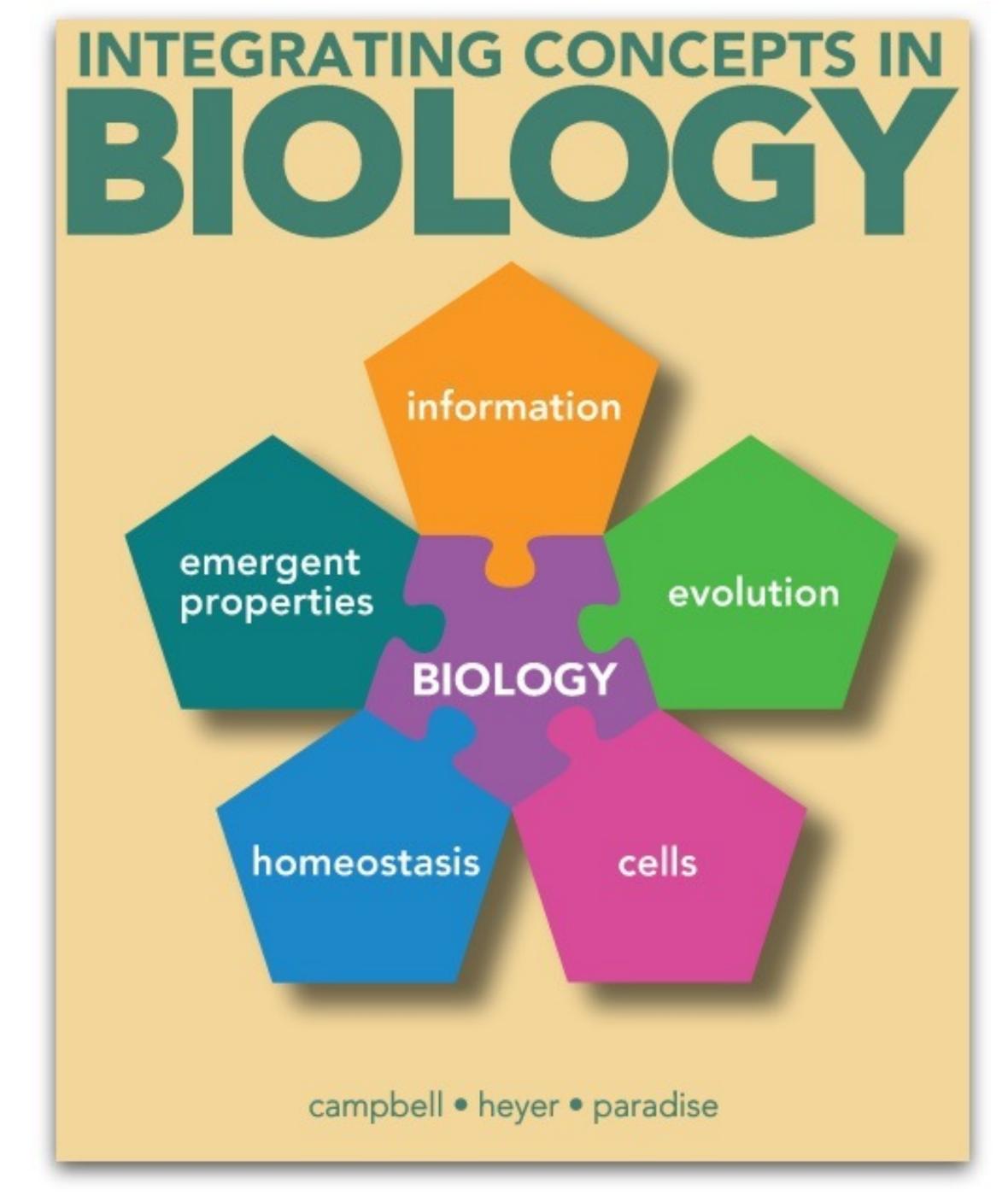
ICB is a

commercial

product



- 3 years to write, 4 years to publish
- traditional publishers rejected
- eBook hosted by Trunity
- David Botstein gift funded book
- Bruce Alberts wrote Foreword
- demonstrated learning gains
- adopt only chapters you use
- http://goo.gl/nRA0Od



#### **Core Concepts = Big Ideas**

Vision & Change

Evolution

Structure and Function

Information

Energy and Matter

Systems Biology

**AP Biology** 

Evolution

Information

Homeostasis

Emergent Properties

**ICB** 

Evolution

Cells

Information

Homeostasis

Emergent Properties

#### V&C Core Competencies

- Apply the process of science
- Use quantitative reasoning
- Use modeling and simulations
- Integrate different disciplines
- Communicate & collaborate
- Connect science & society

#### V&C Core Competencies (ICB)

- Apply the process of science (experimental design)
- Use quantitative reasoning (interpret raw data)
- Use modeling and simulations (work with models)
- Integrate different disciplines (chemistry, math, some physics)
- Communicate & collaborate (small group discussions, lab)
- Connect science & society (ELSI boxes)

#### What's Wrong with Biology Education Now?

renal, 1099, 1100-1101, 1106

Gluconeogenesis, 154, 155, 175,

gluconeogenesis, 154, 155, 175,

Glucagon, 880, 887, 1087

forms of, 49, 50

overview of, 140, 142-144

Glycoproteins, 101

T cell receptors, 414

Glycosidic linkages, 50-51

634, 635, 636, 646

Glycosylation, 274

- Vocabulary is emphasized (800-1000 vs 1400)
- Experimental approaches are minimized

Germ line mutations, 275, 277

Math is absent

Genetic drift, 494-495, 531

Genetic recombination, 223–224

Mendel's experiments, 207-210,

Genetic maps, 224

- Memorization is rewarded
- Critical thinking is discouraged
- Information is irrelevant to students

#### Present information and data...



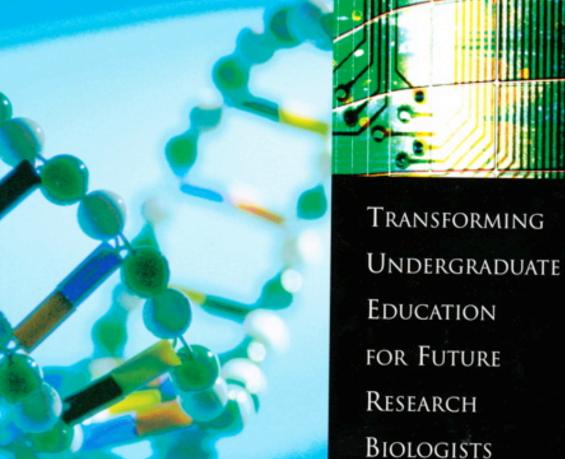


#### Start with the literature...



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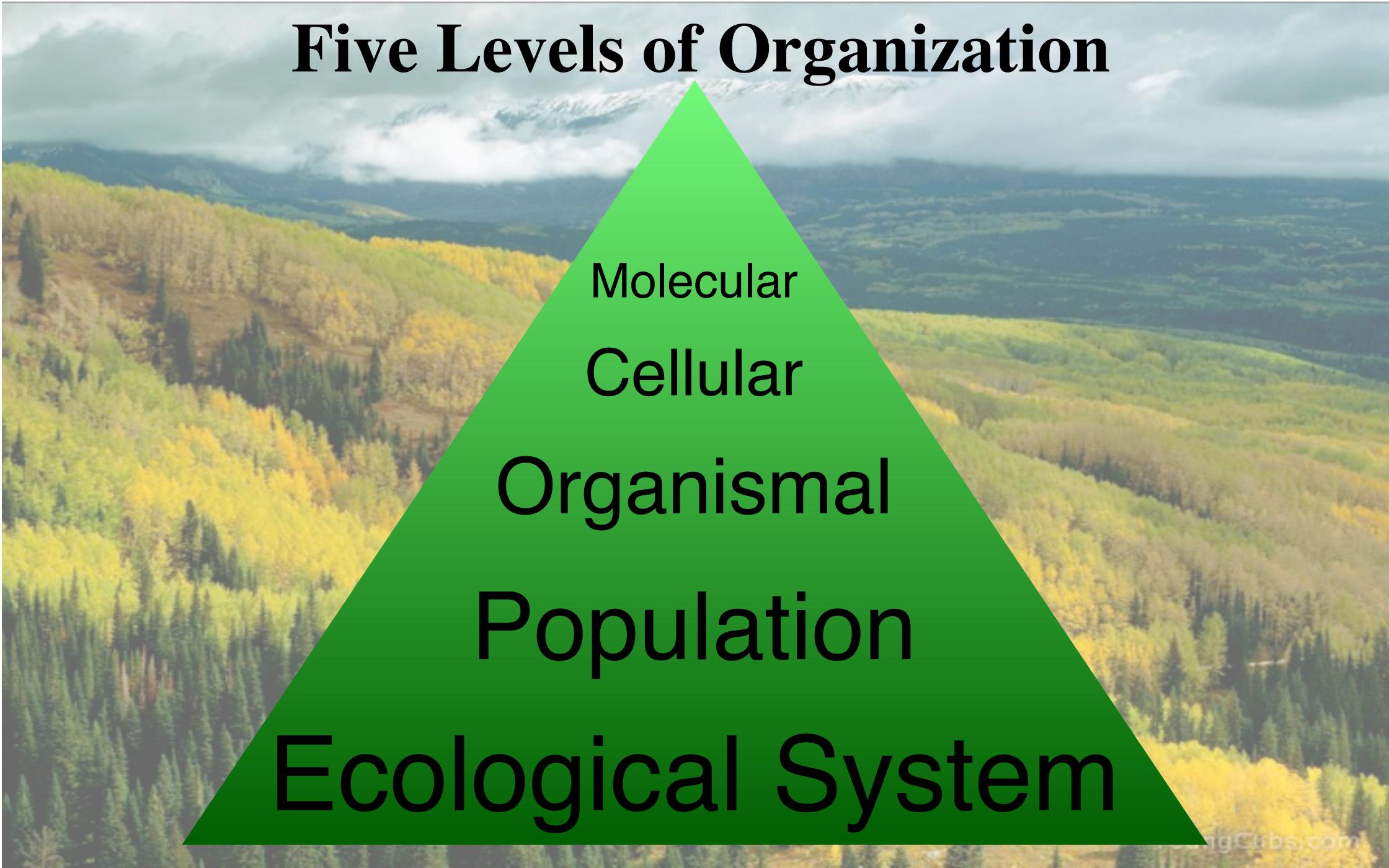
 FACILITATING INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH

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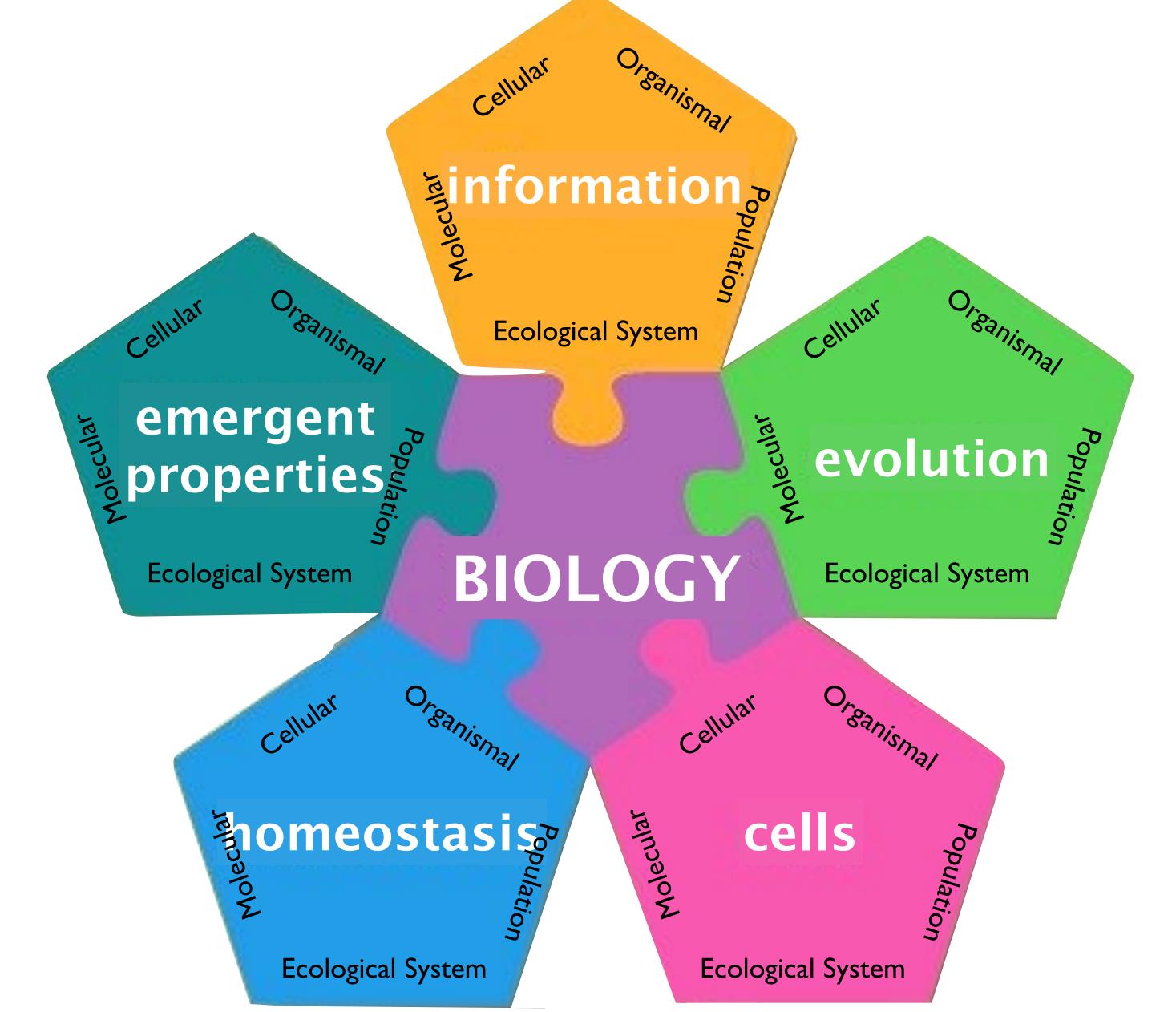
# Artificial Divide within Biology

# Small Biology

Big Biology

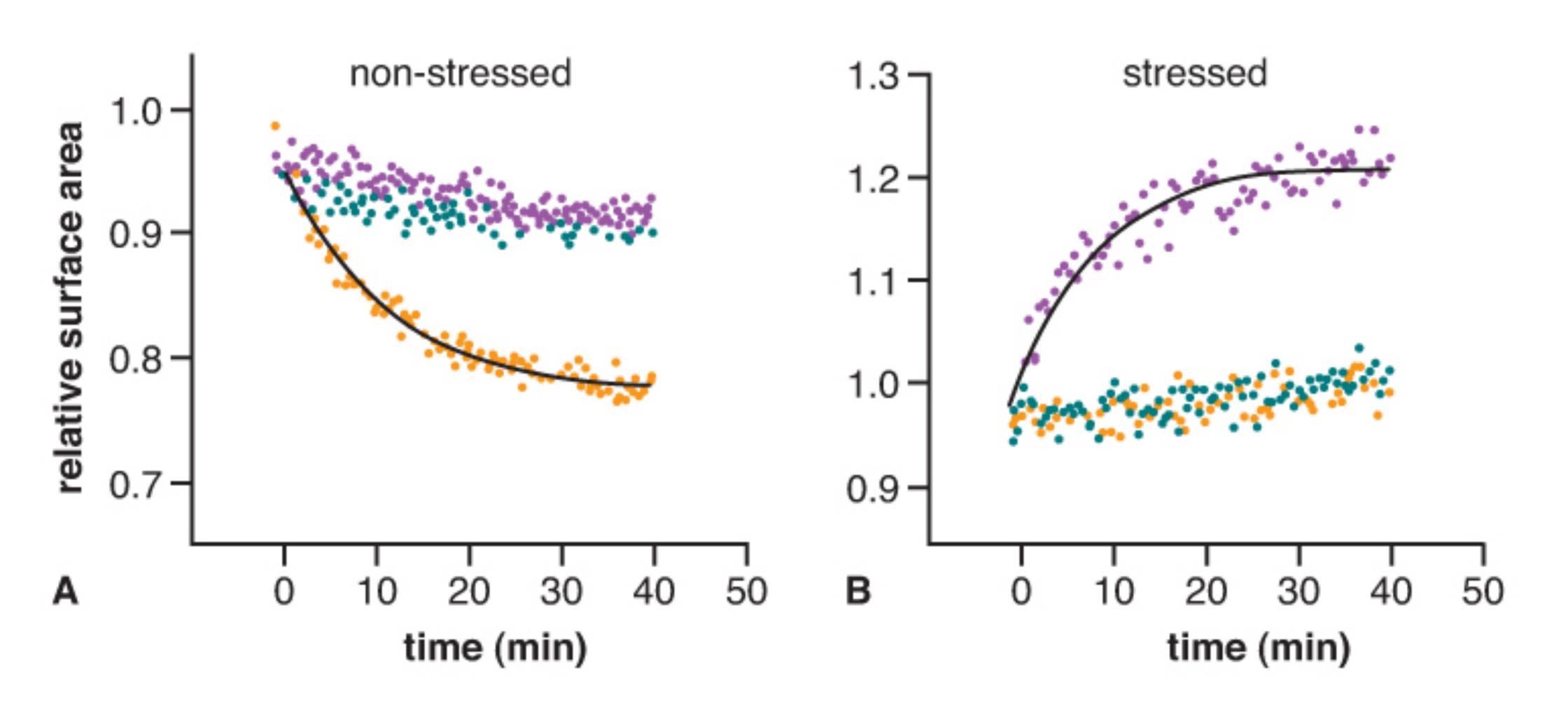


Five by Five Matrix of Biology

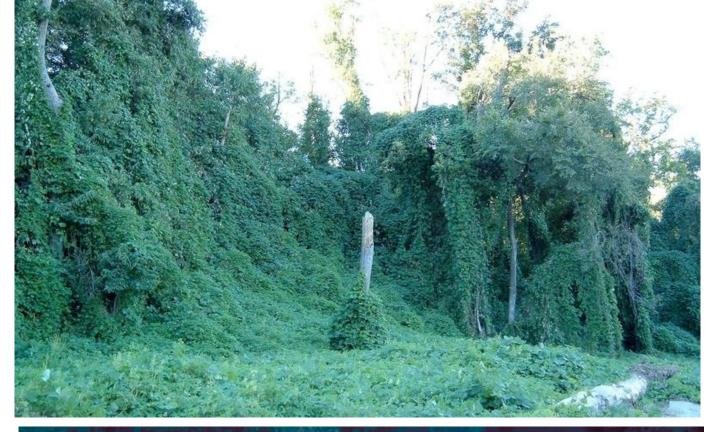


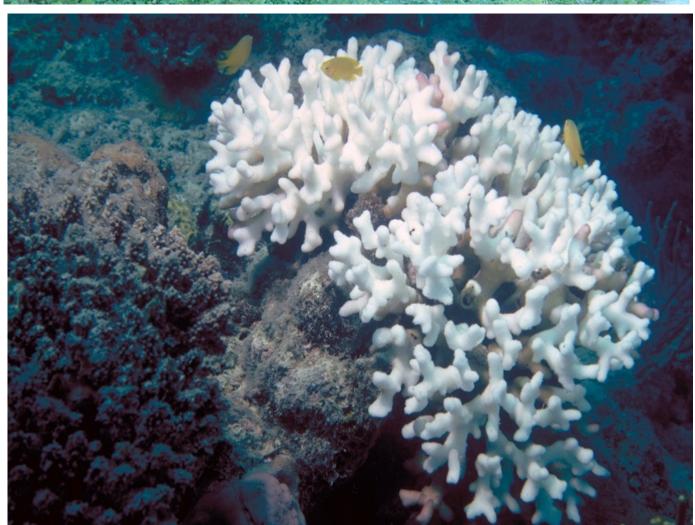
# BioMath Exploration 4.2 (BME)

How fast is the vesicle size changing?



#### Ethical, Legal and Social Implications (ELSI)



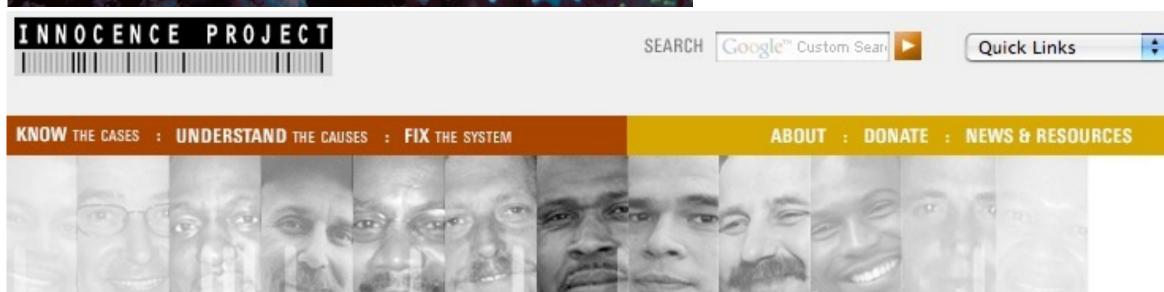


Are religion and evolution compatible?

Is science possible if you are uncertain about what is true?

Does basic biology have any impact on the real world?

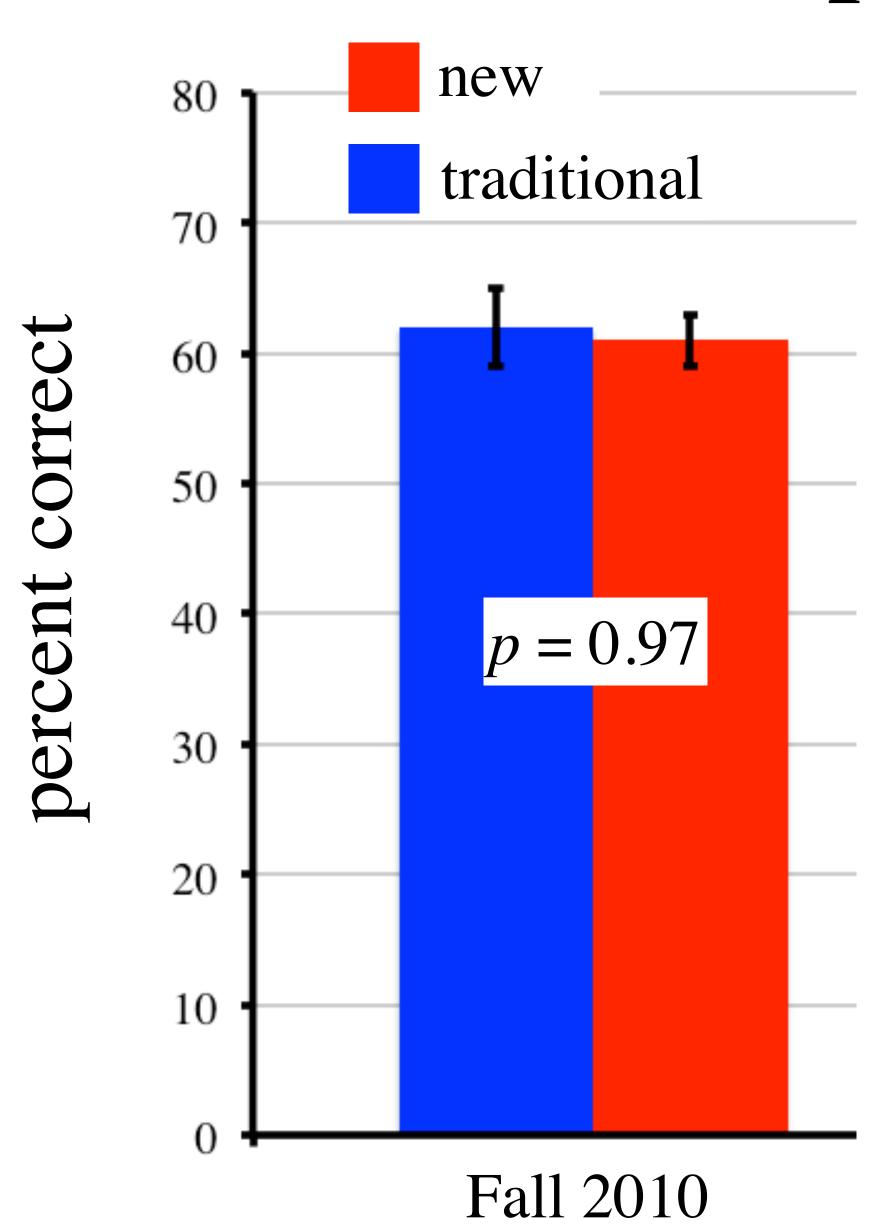
Who owns your DNA?



# Hands-on Activity #1

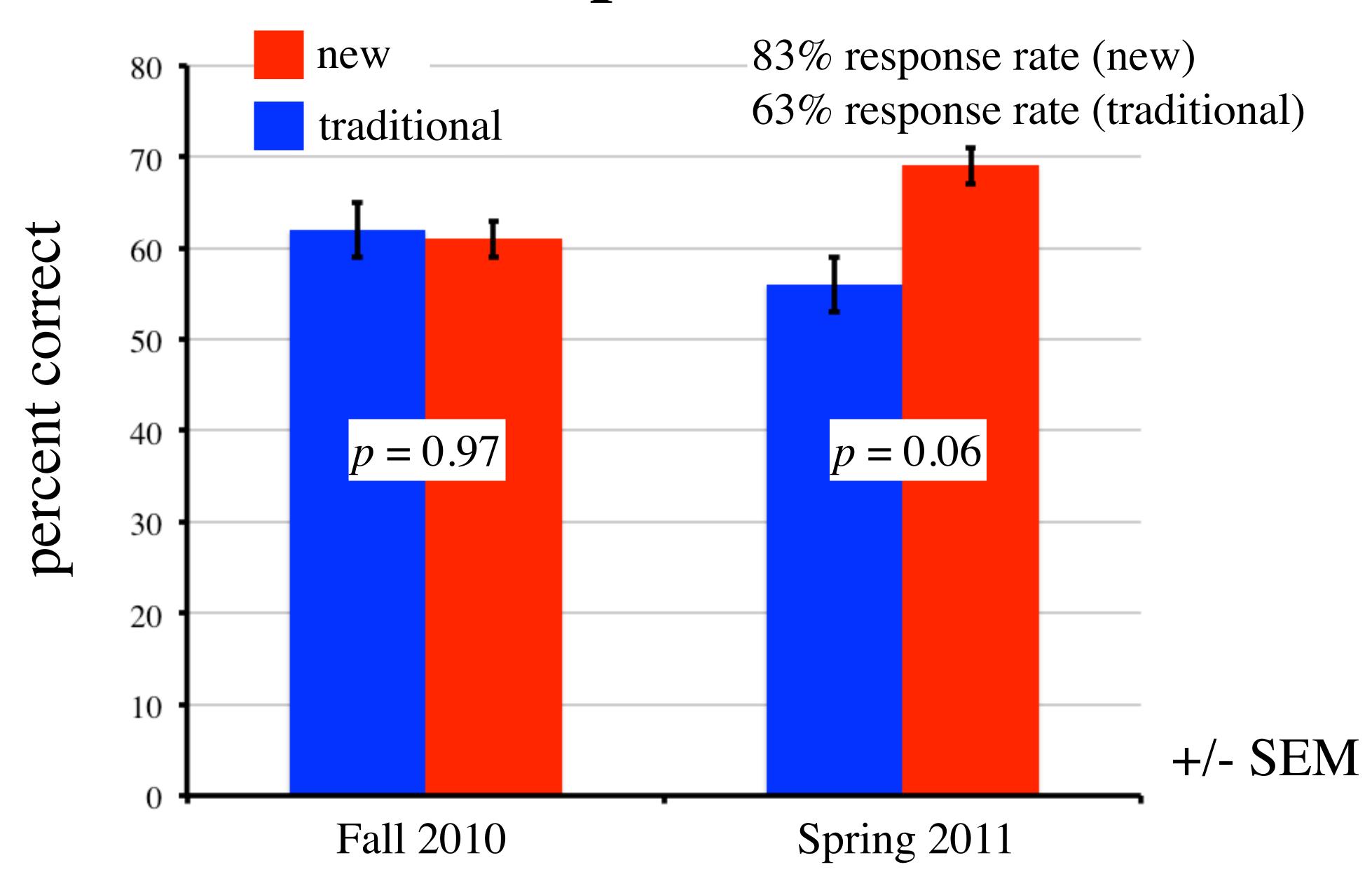
## Did my students "learn less" content?

## Core Concepts Assessment



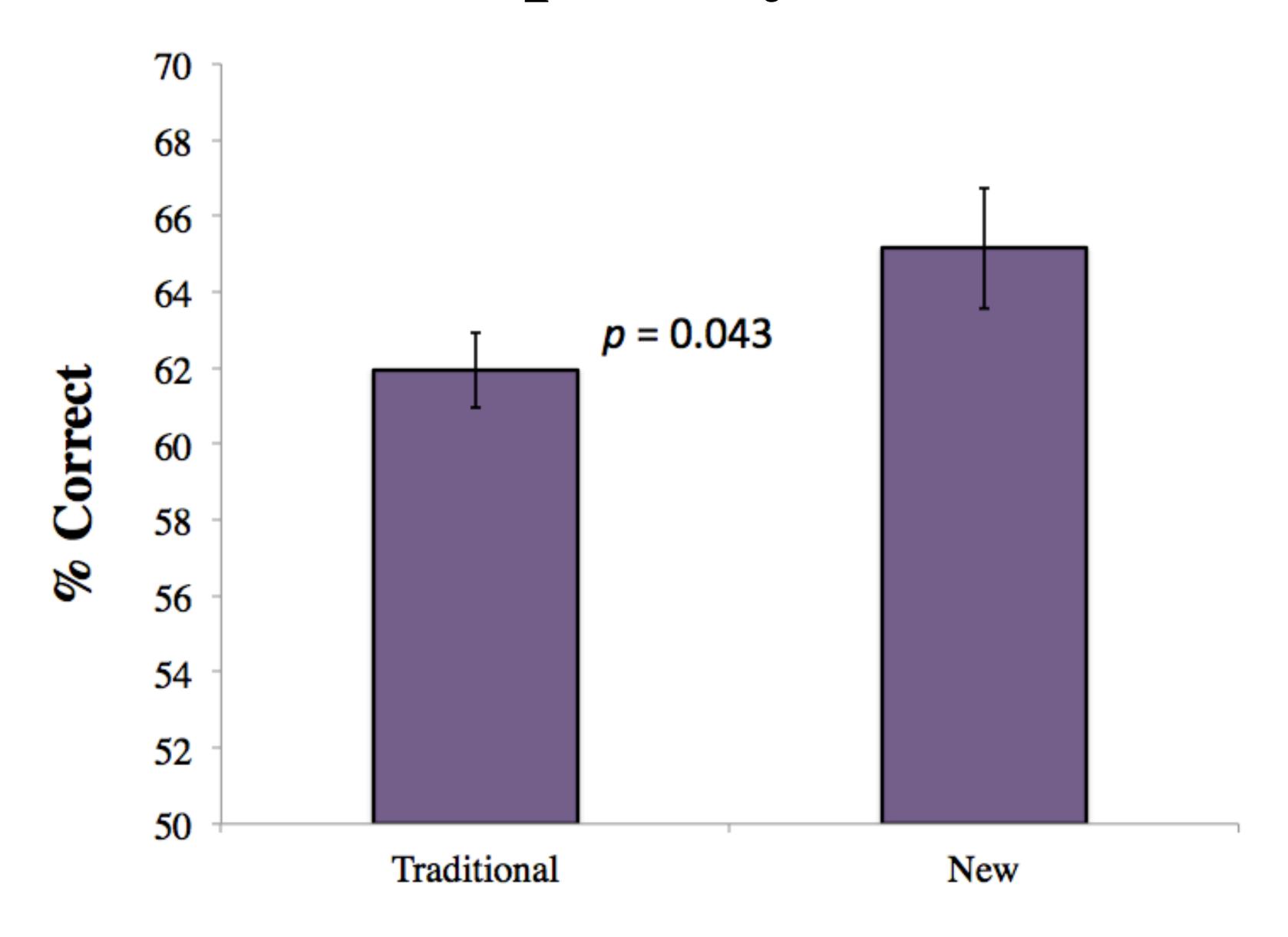
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#### Core Concepts Assessment

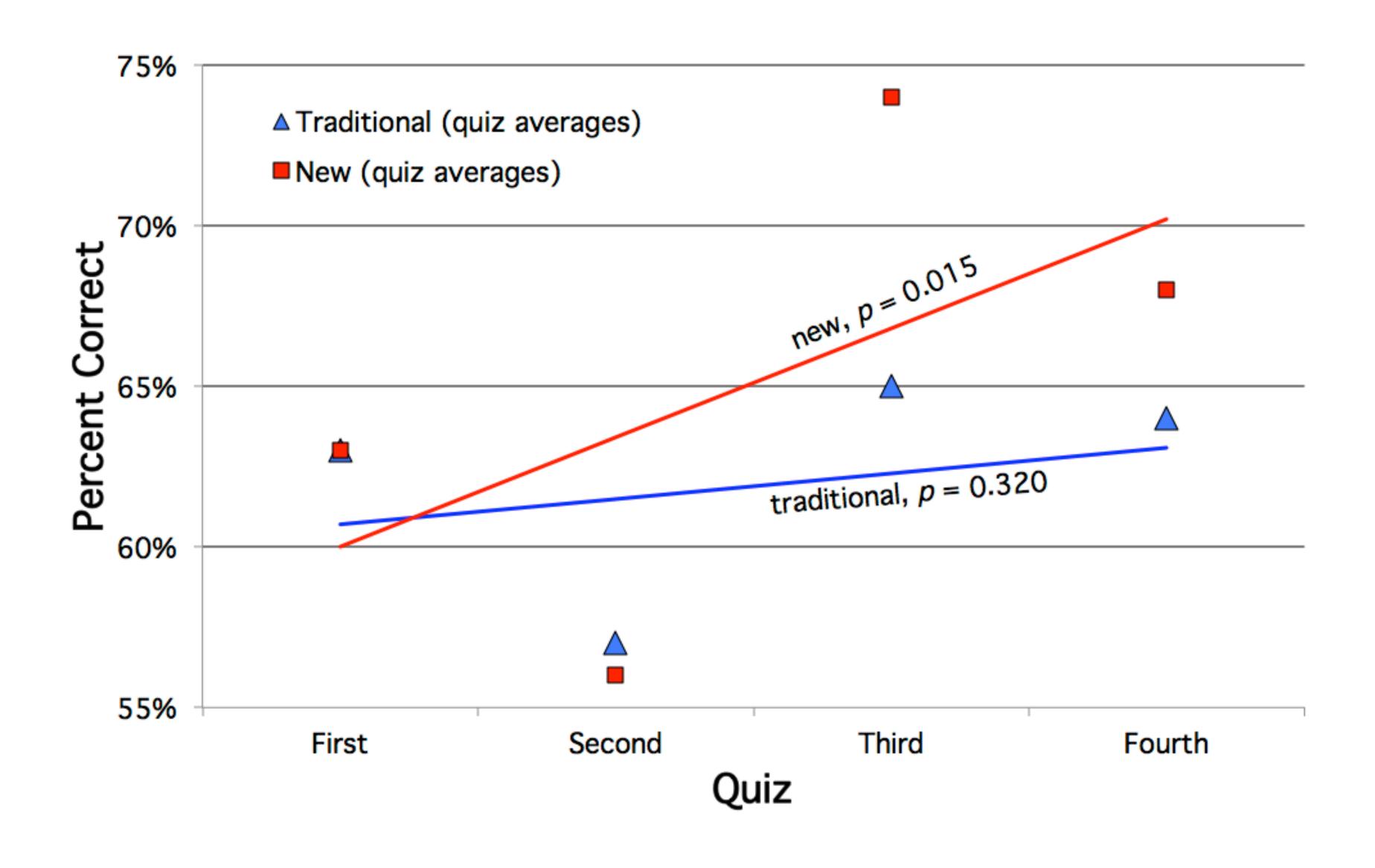


## Can my students analyze data better?

#### Core Competency Assessment



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# Do ICB students see biology differently?

1-5 scale 5 = extremely	Average at Start Fall		
accurate	ICB	Traditional	
biology is	2.86	2.61	
definitions &			
processes			
big questions of	1.71	1.50	
biology already			
answered			
big/small	3.15	3.02	
division of			
biology			
describes nature			
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important			
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<sup>\*</sup> p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001, ^ p= 0.06

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big questions of biology already answered	1.71	1.50	-0.32* <b>y</b> (	+0.22 S	
big/small division of biology describes nature	3.15	3.02	-1.08*** <b>y</b> (	-0.06 S.	
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# Hands-on Activity #2

# Can introductory biology labs be more authentic?

A common criticism I had gotten for 16 years was the lecture and lab were "disconnected" or were "unrelated."

#### When you do research in lab:

- 1. Has someone prepared data collection tables for you?
- 2. Does someone hand you all the controls you will need for the day?
- 3. Does someone else do all the creative thinking for you and you merely pipet?
- 4. Do you only work on one project until it is completed?
- 5. Is your research completed in 3 hours?

#### My educational goals for Intro Bio Lab

- 1. Employ a **scientific approach** to answering biological questions and test hypotheses.
- 2. Design experiments to test hypotheses, answer questions.
- 3. Analyze experimental data and reach logical conclusions.
- 4. Organize an **oral presentation** for sharing scientific information with peers.
- 5. Prepare a written summary of experiments designed, performed and analyzed personally.
- 6. Work on three overlapping labs: discover new promoter, why mammals evolved bitter taste receptors, and evolution of antibiotic resistant bacteria.

#### Major Changes I Made to Intro Bio Lab

#### 1. Minimal lab manual

A. Malcolm Campbell Bio 113 Labs Bio113 Week 4 Before you come to lab 1) At 5:30 pm on the Wednesday before your lab, one person from each lab group MUST COME TO Dr. C's research lab (Dana room 221). Make sure to bring your protocol from last week of how to prepare the oligos for boiling. 3) Answer each of these four questions in two sentences or less. A) How will you ligate your new promoter into a plasmid for testing? B) What will the plasmid need to contain if you want to determine if your promoter is working? C) How is fluorescence of red fluorescent protein (RFP) measured? D) How is a spectrophotometer used to measure cell density in a population of E. coli? NOTE: At 5:30 pm on the Wednesday before your lab, one person from each lab group MUST COME TO Dr. C's research lab (Dana room 221). Please be on time. We need to boil the oligos so we can ligate them tomorrow. See page 2 for details.

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Bio 113 Labs

#### Week 4

#### Before you come to lab

1) The afternoon before lab, one person has already boiled oligos and let cool slowly overnight.

Information: Design and Build a New Promoter (an 8 week project)

#### In Lab: (Start lab at this point)

- Do appropriate dilution (<u>step 9 of this protocol</u>) of boiled and cooled oligos. You will ligate your promoter into receiving plasmid J119137.
- 3) You have been provided two tubes of a master mix for GGA. It already contains the receiving plasmid J119137, the BsaI and the ligase. The volume is 9 µL in each tube. You need one tube for your promoter (P) and one for a negative control (-). Add 1 µL of your freshly diluted promoter to the P tube and 1 µL water to the "-" tube. Label your tubes. Put them in the thermosycler. GGA is program name.
- 4) Transform cells (zippy competent JM109) with 3 different DNAs:
  - a) experimental ligation DNA (with your promoter oligos added = P)
  - b) ligation negative control DNA (water added, not promoter = -)
- Plate each transformation on its own LB+amp plate.
- 6) Discuss as a group how to assay your promoter. How will test your promoter to know if it works the way you thought it would?

c) transformation positive control DNA(+ tube; pl.ac promoter+RBS+RFP)

7) One person from each group will need to start the cells growing 4 pm next Wednesday the day before lab. Come to Dr. C's research lab on time.

Bio113 Lab: Week 4, page 1

#### Major Changes I Made to Intro Bio Lab

- 1. Minimal lab manual
- 2. Overlapping lab modules

9 weeks on promoters

8 weeks on taste receptor

7 weeks on antibiotic<sup>R</sup>

### Major Changes I Made to Intro Bio Lab

- Minimal lab manual
- 2. Overlapping lab modules
- 3. CATME tool (CATME.org)



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# Promoter Research Using Golden Gate Assembly

# Todd Eckdahl MWSU





### Eco RI

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palindrome

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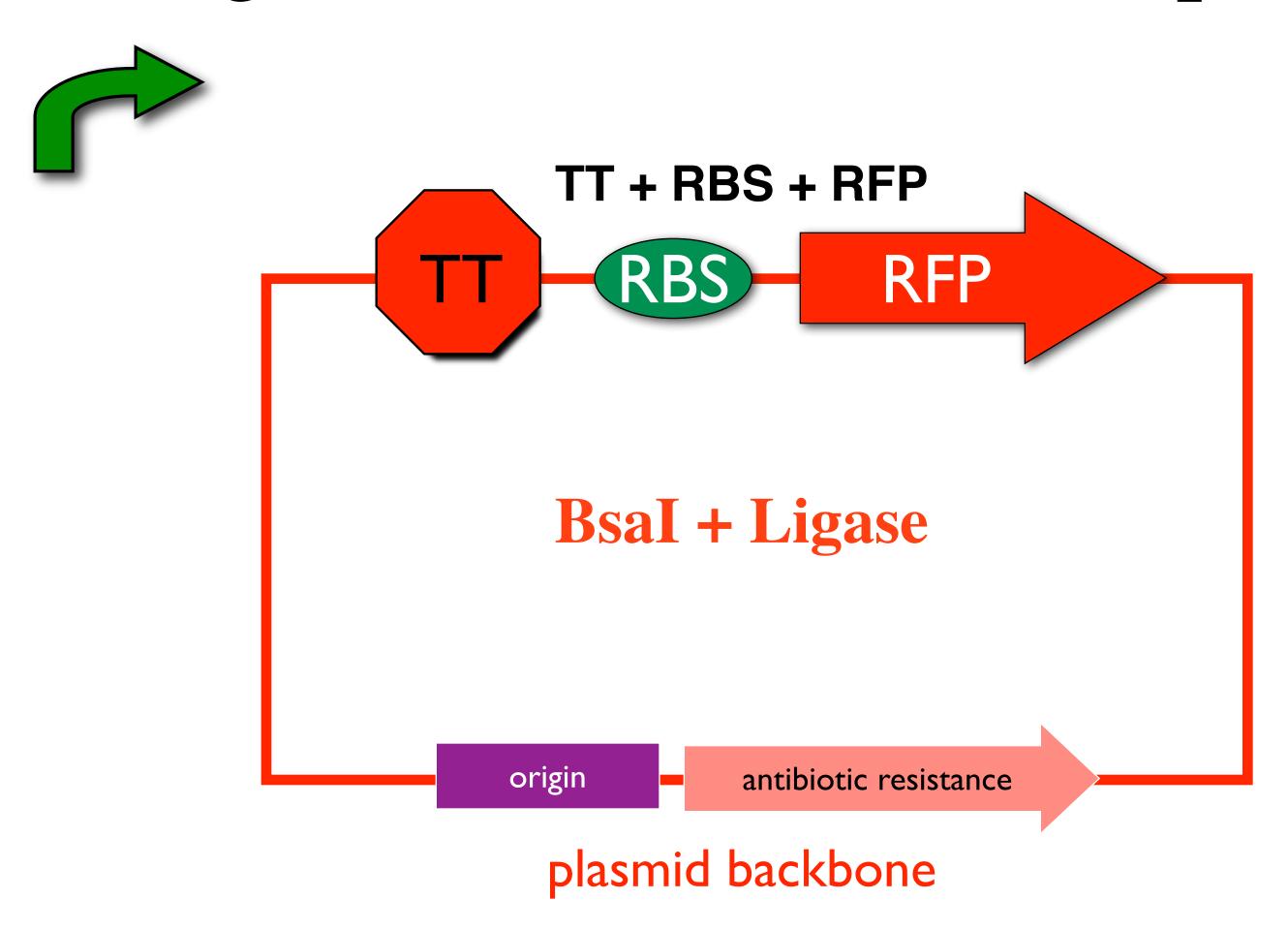
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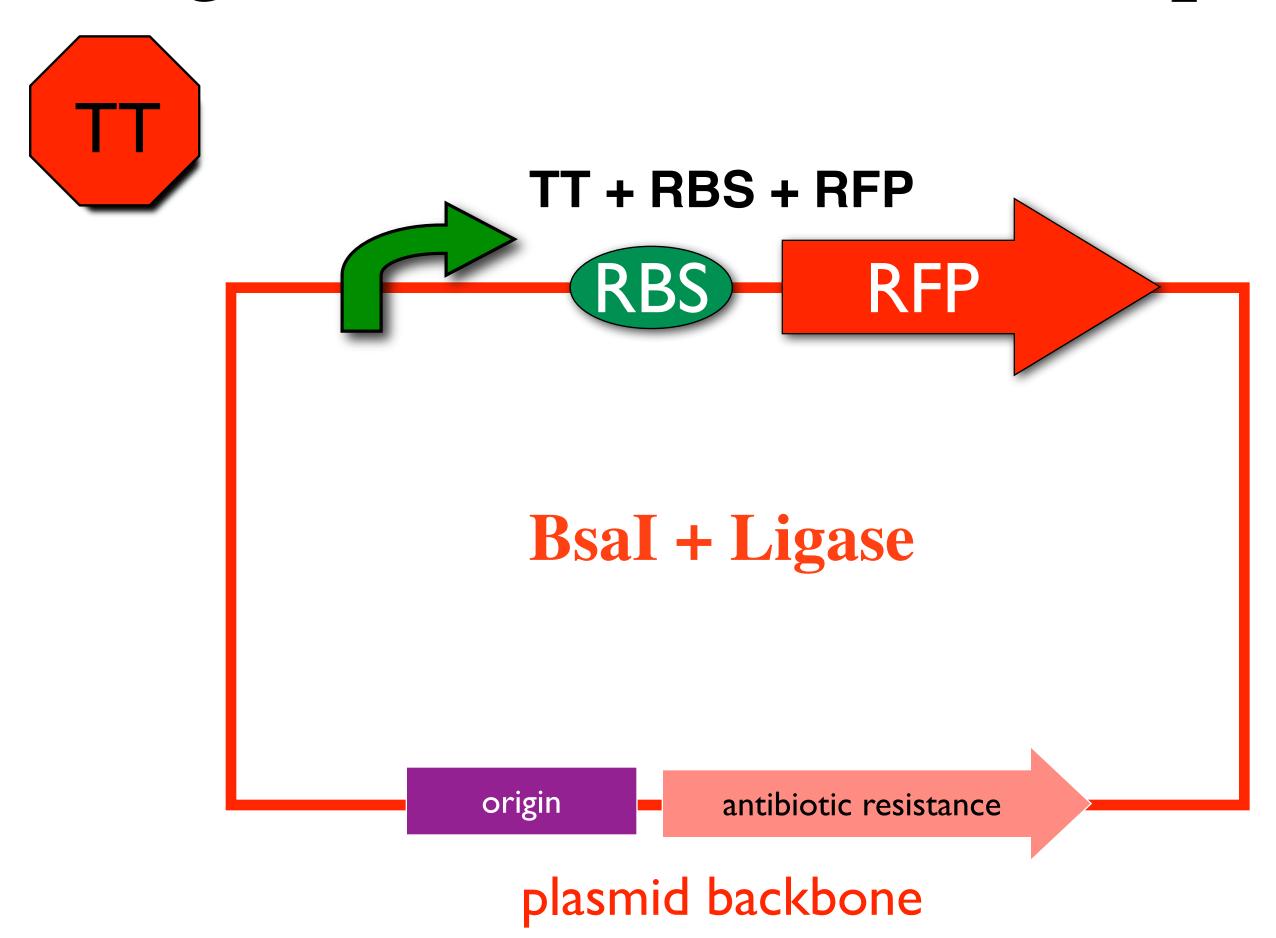
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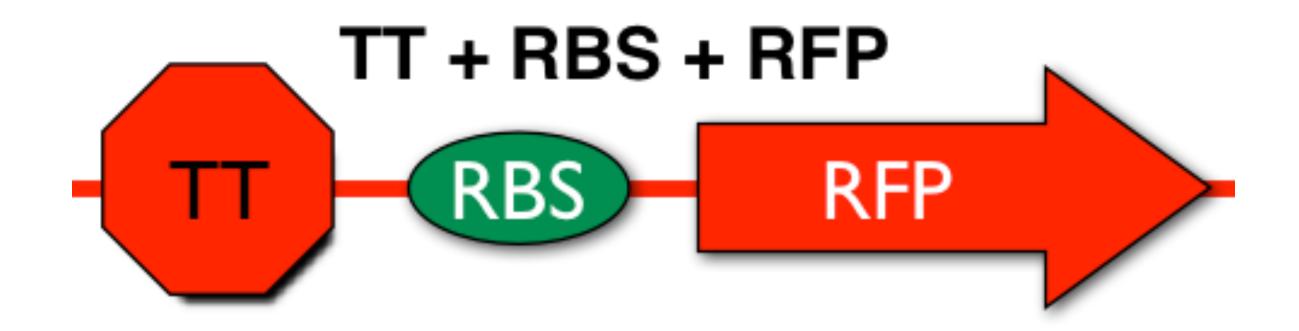
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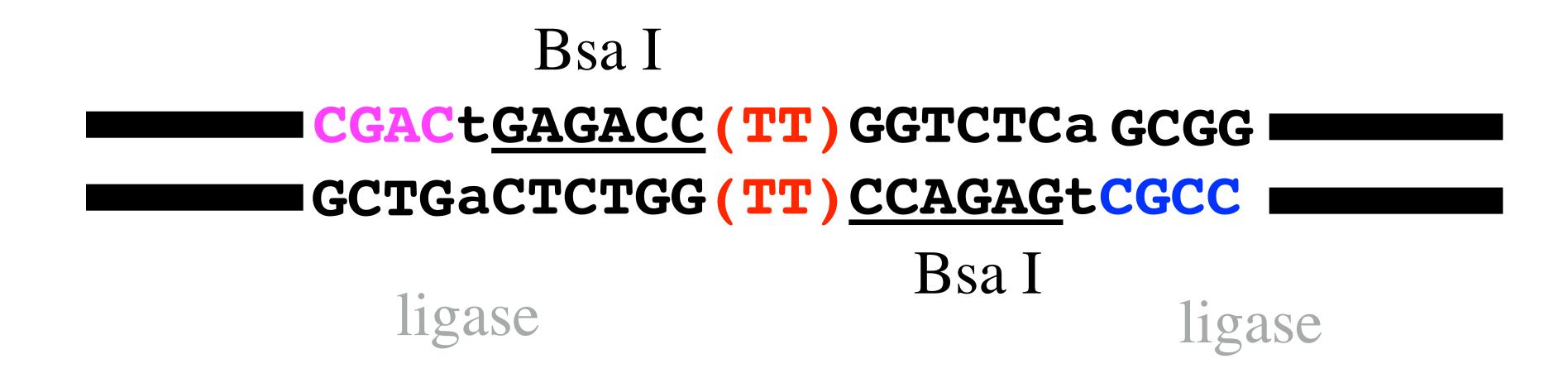
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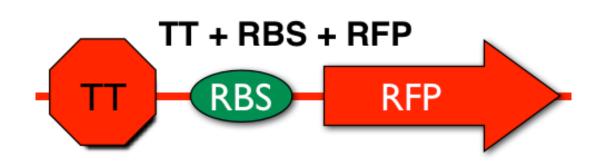
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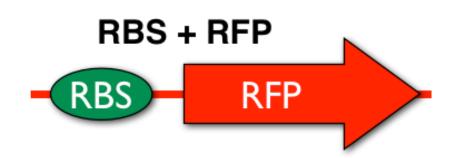
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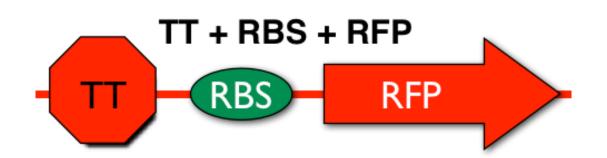
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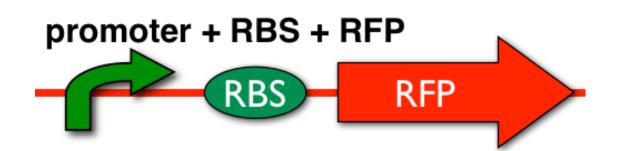
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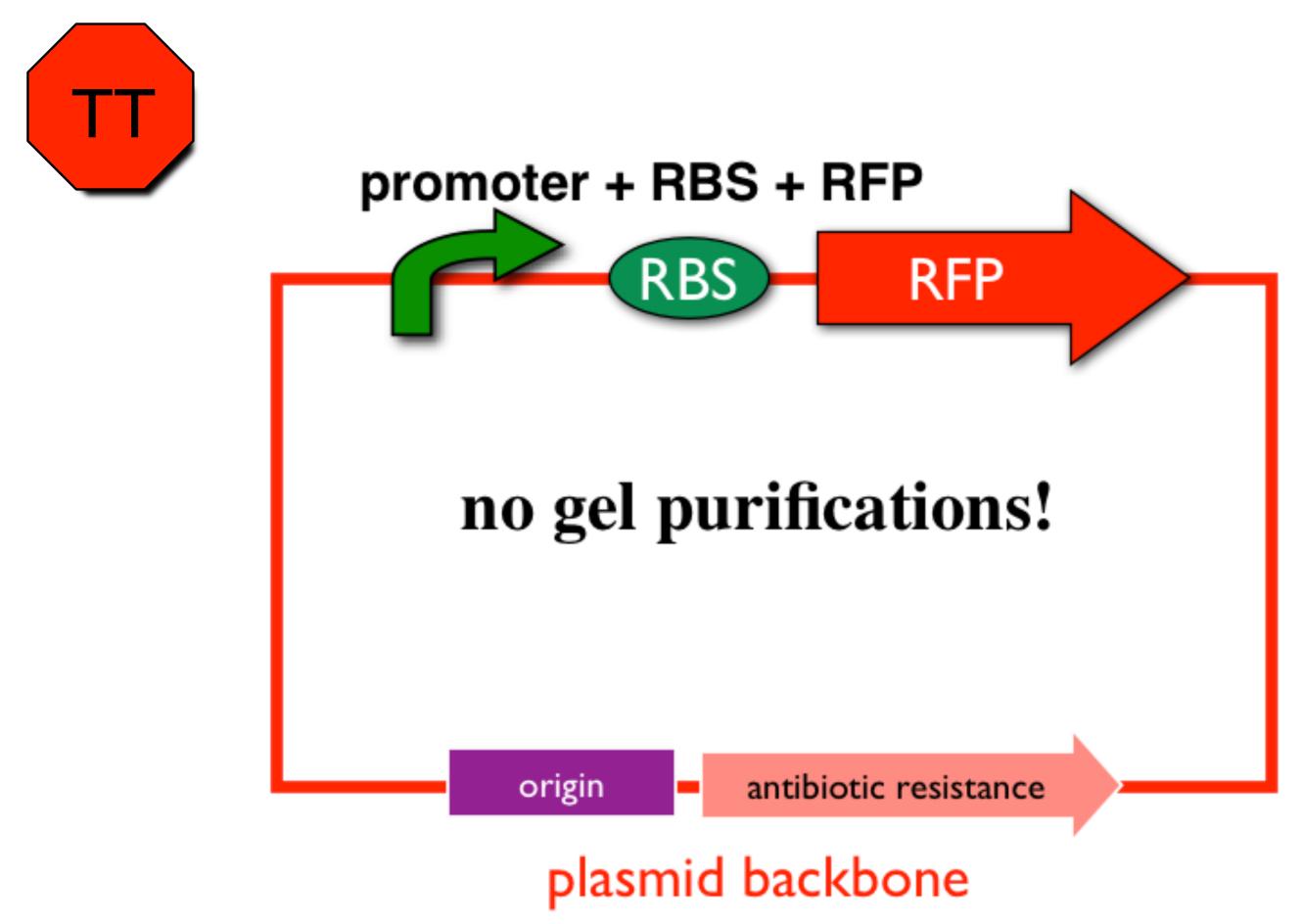
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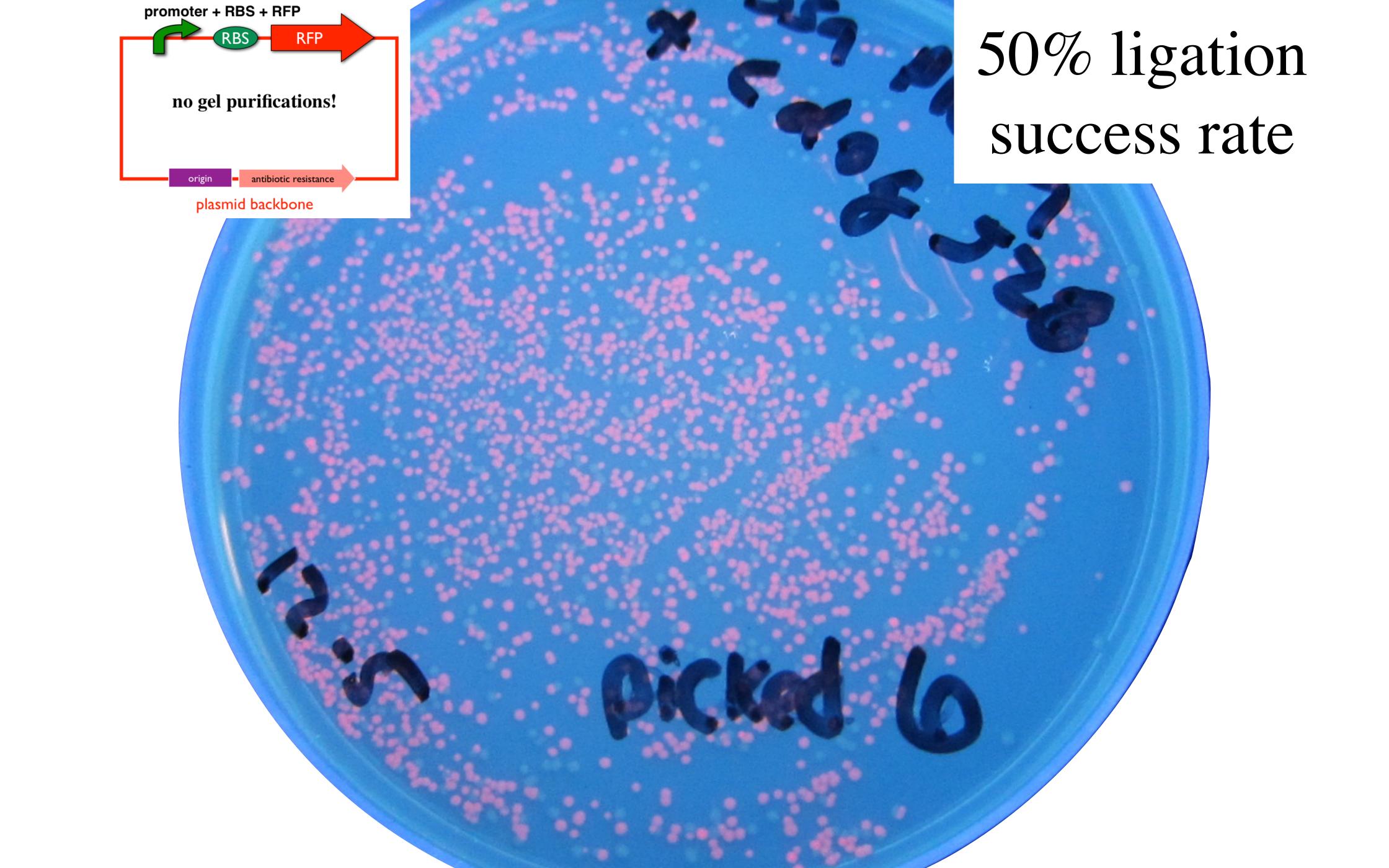
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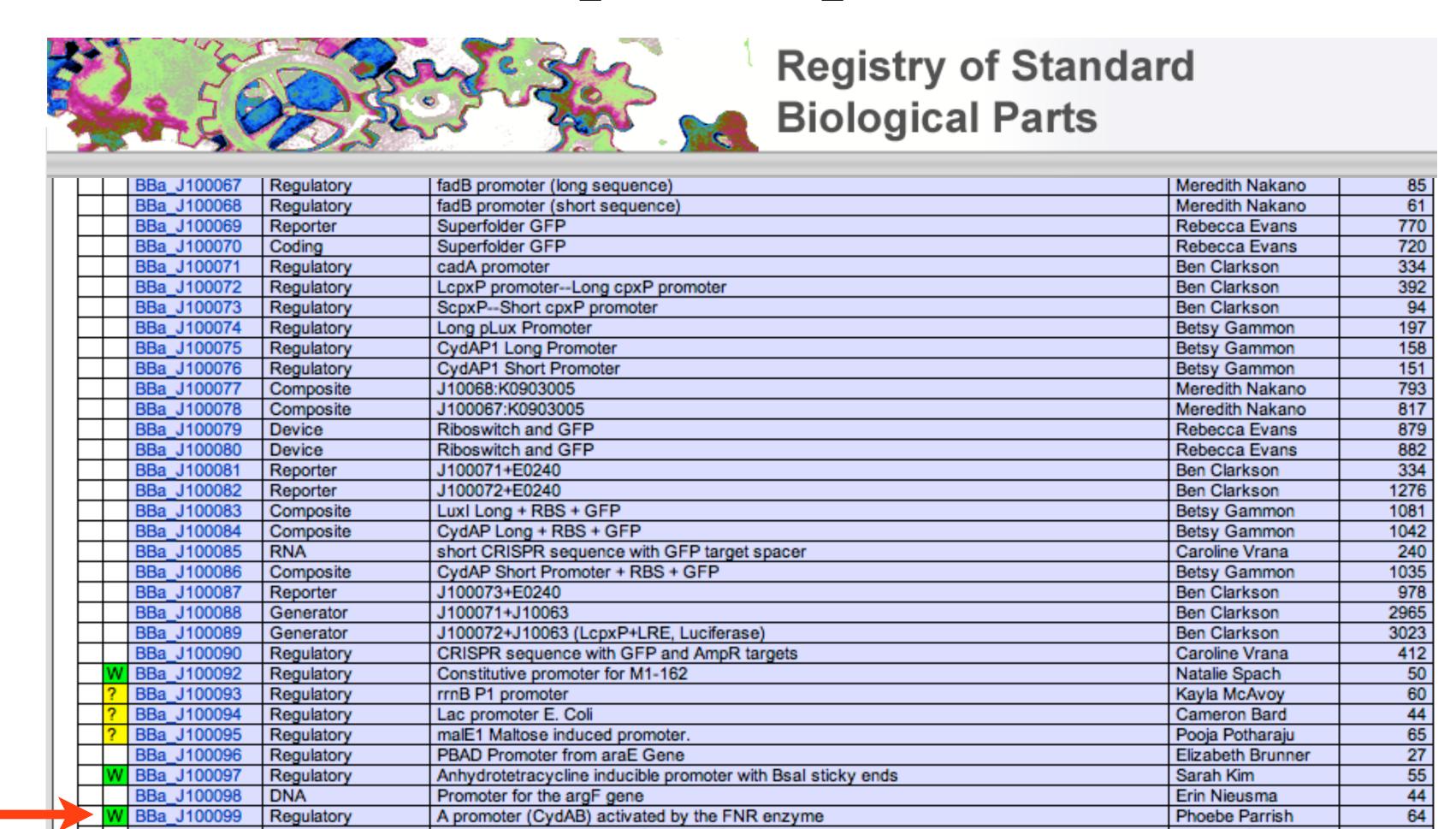
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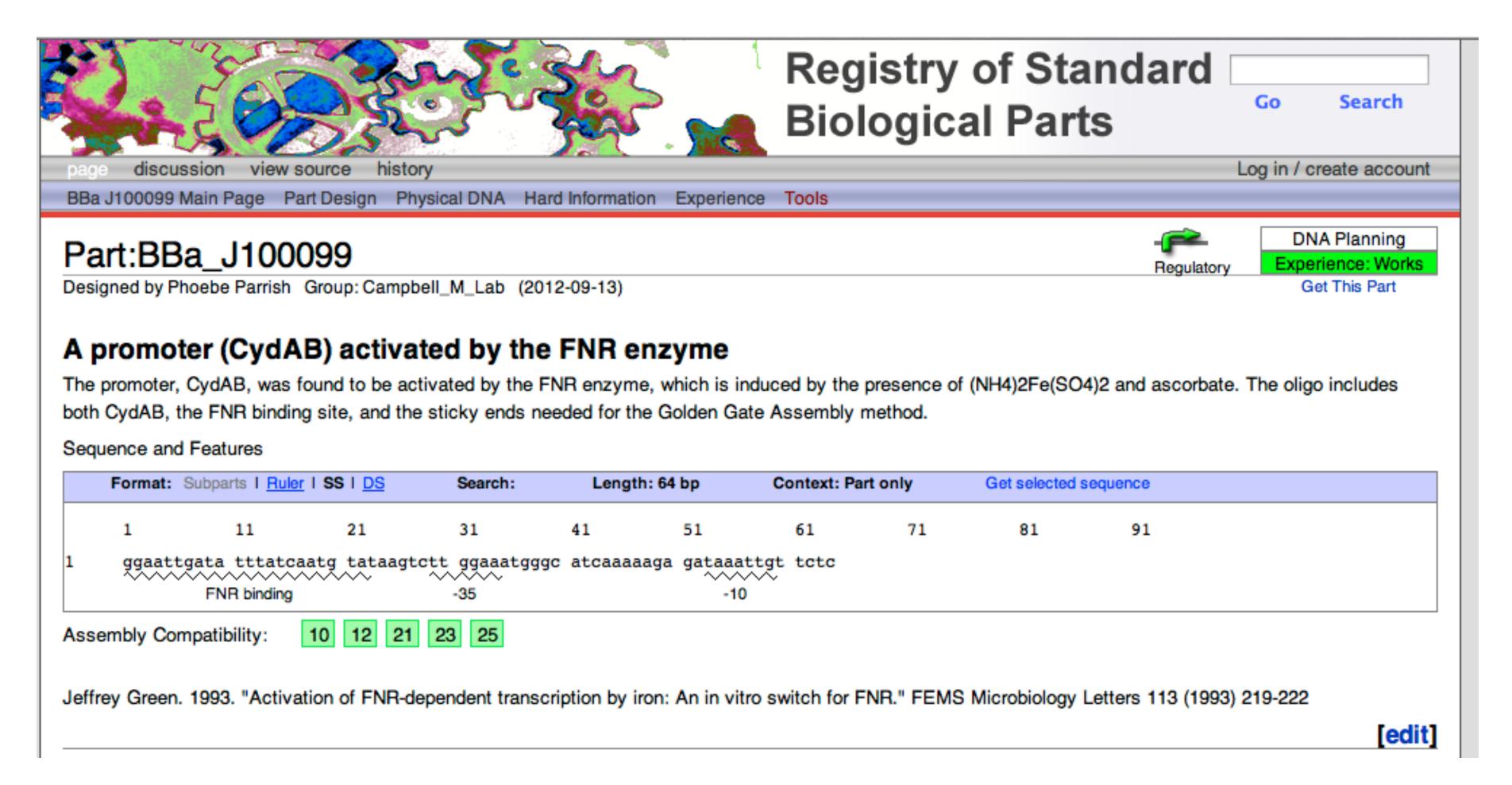




### Student Sample, September 2012



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#### Part:BBa\_J100099:Experience



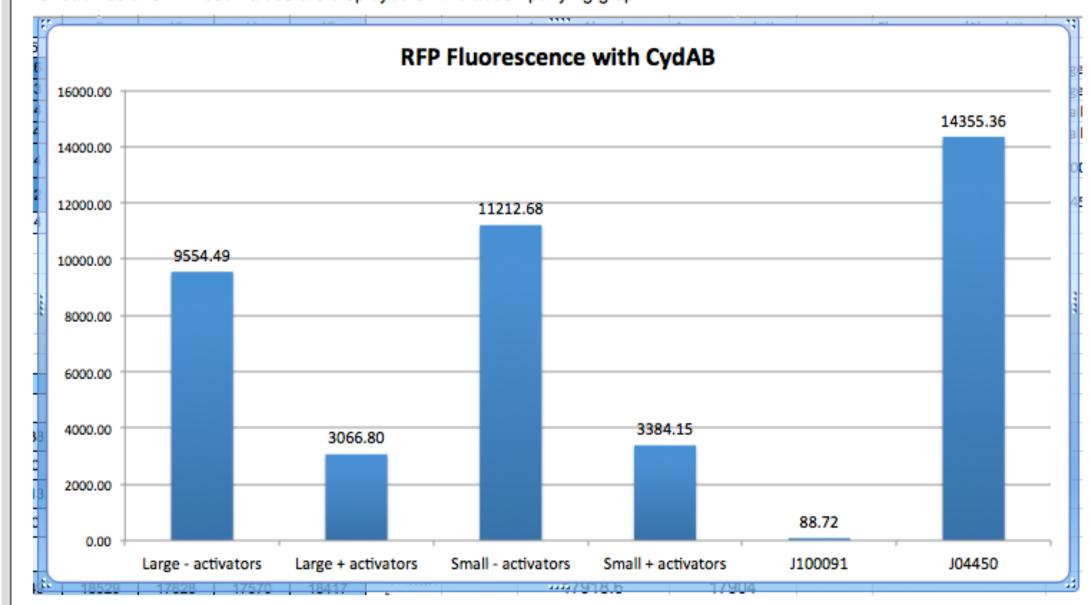
DNA Planning
Experience: Works
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#### Applications of BBa\_J100099

We pipetted 200 microliters of one solution containing E coli cells from a small colony and the activators, one with cells from a small colony and no activators, one containing cells from a large colony and no activators. We also did a positive control with E coli cells containing a known promoter that causes red florescence (J04450) and a negative control with cells containing a the transcriptional terminator that does not cause red fluorescence (J100091). We tested both fluorescence of our samples using a fluorometer and the light absorbance using a spectrophotometer. We measured the fluorescence and absorbance of five samples of each solution, including a control solution that just contained the growth medium. We averaged the values for each solution and subtracted the average fluorescence/absorbance of the control. We then divided the average fluorescence by the average absorbance for each solution. These values are displayed on the accompanying graph.



### Registry of Functional Promoters (RFP)

#### Registry of Functional Promoters (V1.0)

Welcome to the Registry of Functional Promoters

This Registry of Functional Promoters was developed by Bill Hatfield, Laurie J. Heyer, A. Malcolm Campbell at Davidson College and Todd Eckdahl of Missouri Western State University, through the support of HHMI grant 52006292 (GCA T main page) and is freely available for others to use though no support other than the user manual is available.

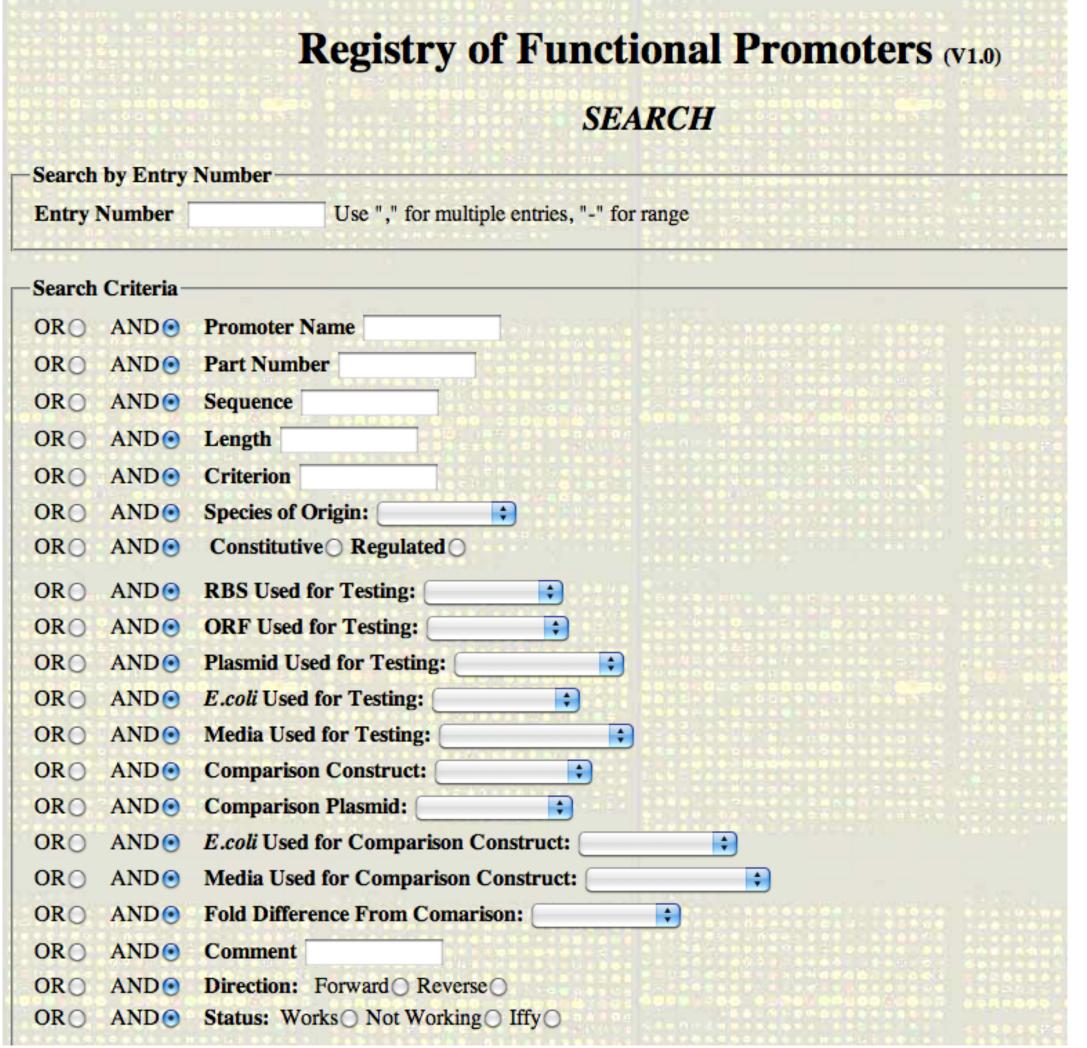
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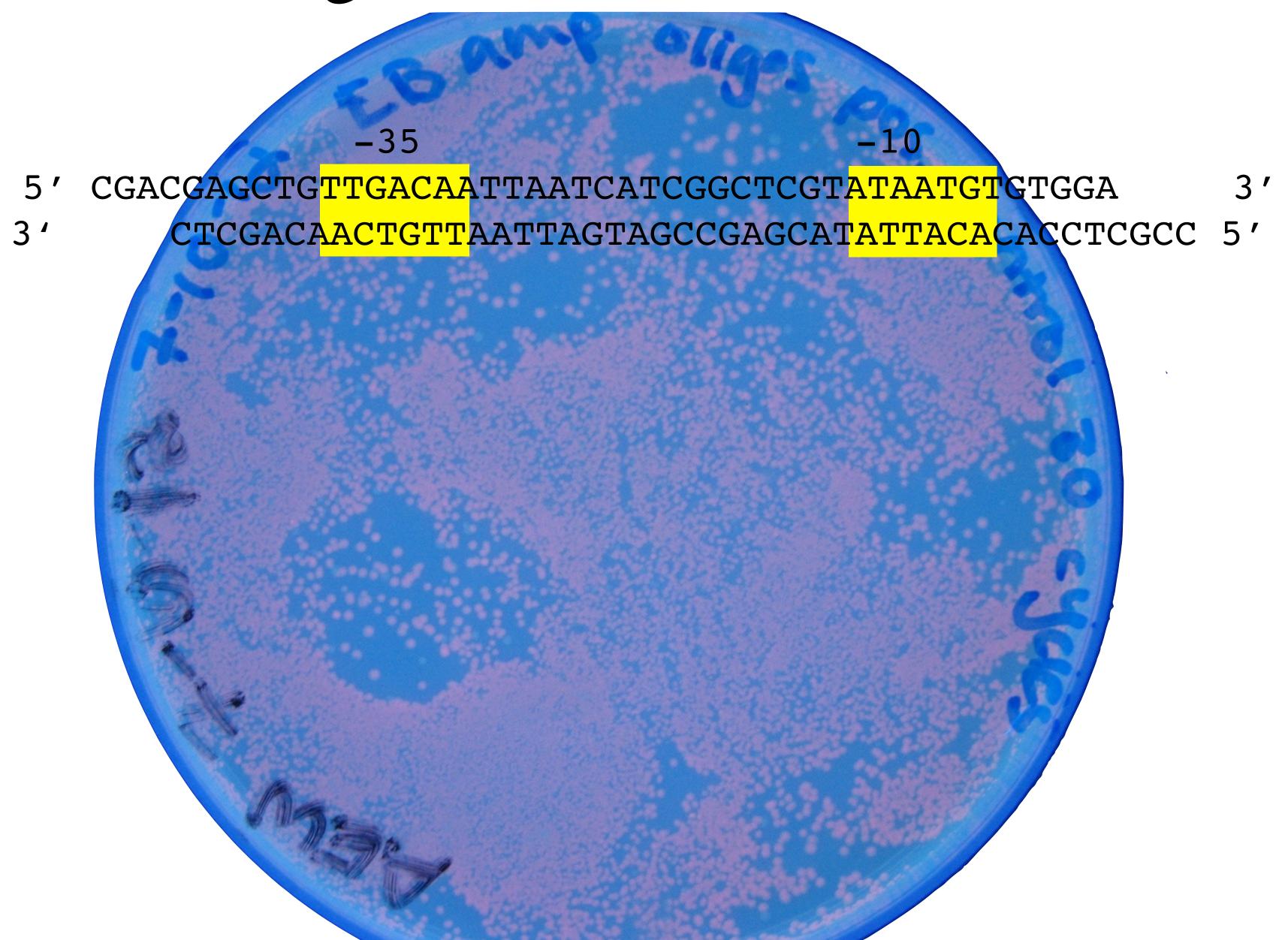


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### Registry of Functional Promoters (RFP)

#### Registry of Functional Promoters (V1.0) SEARCH PROMOTER RESULTS ORF RBS Species Inducible/ Part Constitutive/ Entry Promoter Citation Used for Used for Use Length of Regulator Sequence No. Name Number Regulated Repressible Testing Testing Interest TetR Repressible 54 pSI R0040 tccctatcagtgatagagattgacatccctatcagtgatagagatactgagcac Regulated Repressible TetR Promoter 56 bp LacI 091110 Constitutive cgttgacaccatcgaatggcgcaaaacctttcgcggtatggcatgatagcgcccgg Promoter caatacgcaaaccgcctctccccgcgcgttggccgattcattaatgcagctggcac 200 bp LacI gacaggtttcccgactggaaagcgggcagtgagcgcaacgcaattaatgtgagtt 200 Constitutive ageteacteattaggeaceceaggetttacaetttatgetteeggetegtatgttgtgt Promoter ggaattgtgagcggataacaatttcacaca LuxR & HSL Regulated 55 acctgtaggatcgtacaggtttacgcaagaaaatggtttgttatagtcgaataaa Regulated Repressible promoter Backwards tgtgtgaaattgttatccgctcacaattccacacaacatacgagccggaagcataaa 200 LacI gtgtaaagcctggggtgcctaatgagtgagctaactcacattaattgcgttgcgctc 200 Regulated Repressible Promoter actgcccgctttccagtcgggaaacctgtcgtgccagctgcattaatgaatcggcca (right to left) acgcgcggggagaggcggtttgcgtattg OmpC tttacattttgaaacatctatagcgataaatgaaacatcttaaaagttttagtatcatattc <u> 199017</u> Constitutive Promoter gtgttggattattctgcatttttggggagaatggact 23K series very strong 35 J23100 Constitutive ttgacggctagctcagtcctaggtacagtgctagc constitutive Promoter To Edit an Entry, Enter the Entry # and press "Edit Entry" Edit Entry To Delete an Entry, Enter the Entry # and press "Delete Entry" Delete Entry Search Again

### Testing Known Promoters: Ptac



### Student Sample, November 2012

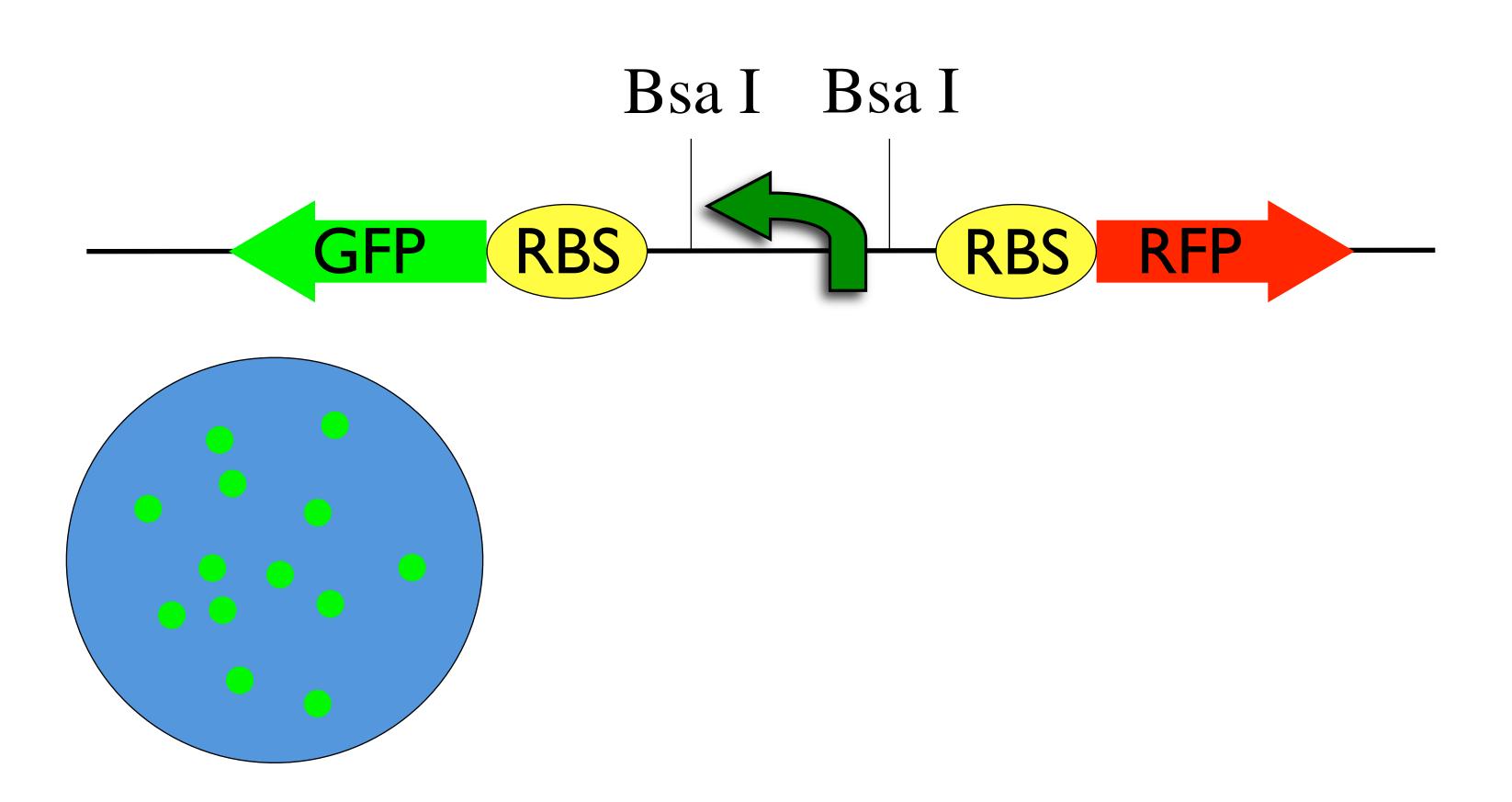


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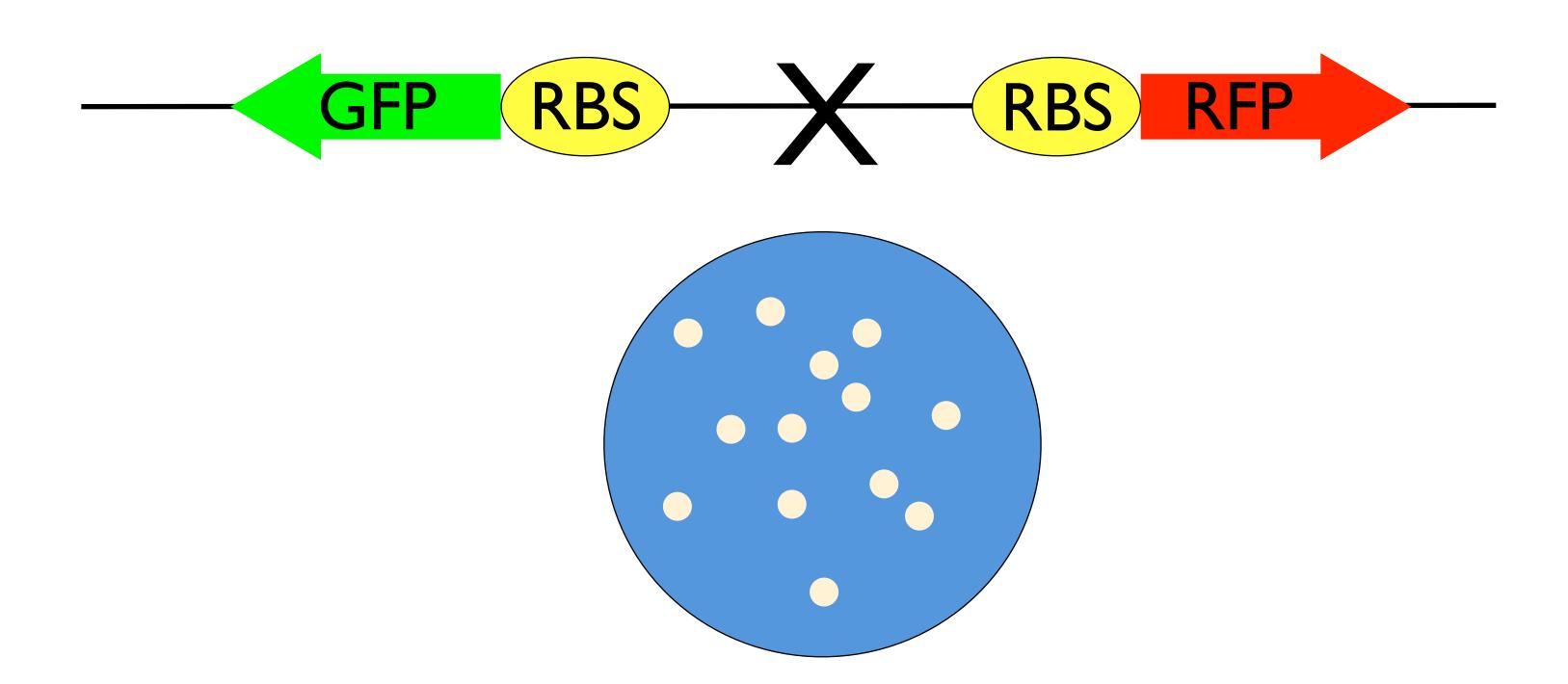
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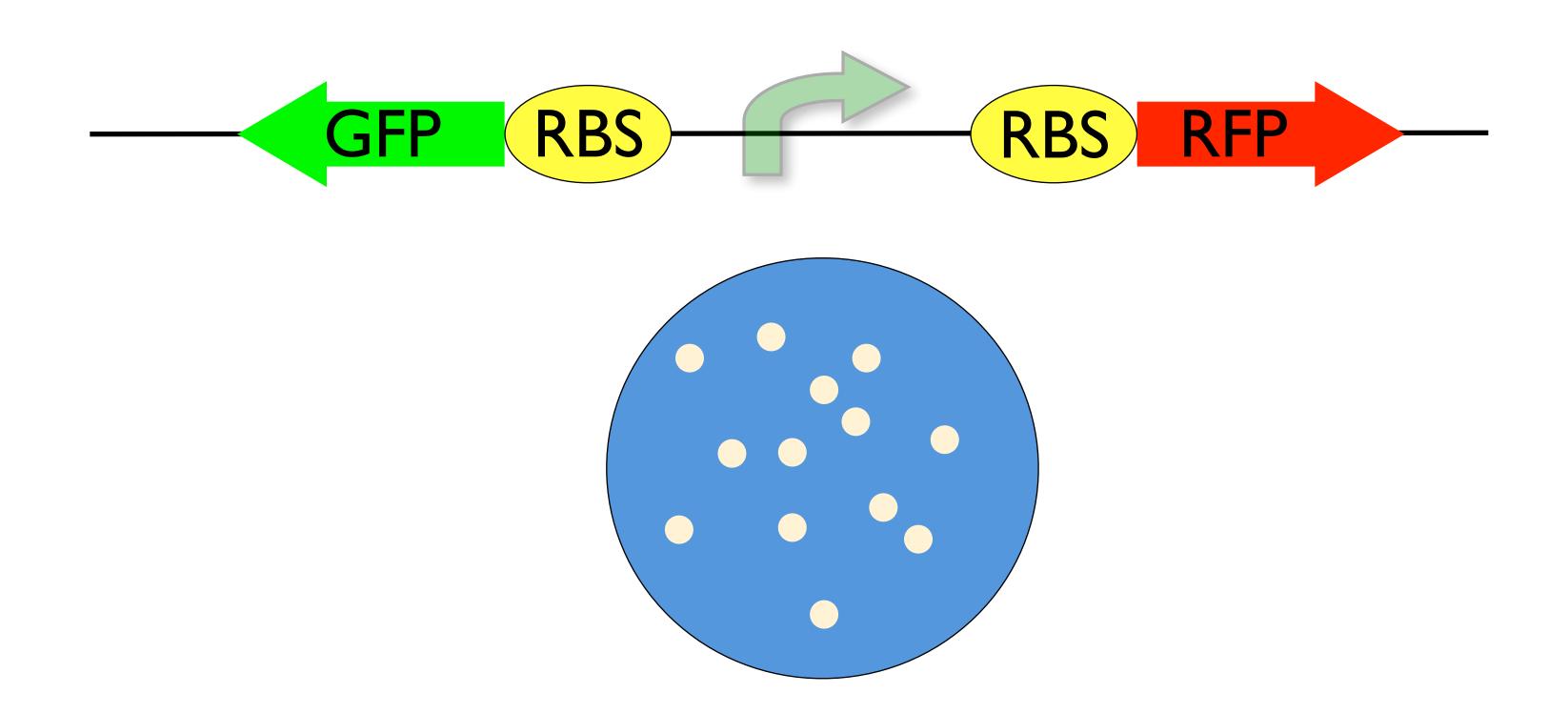
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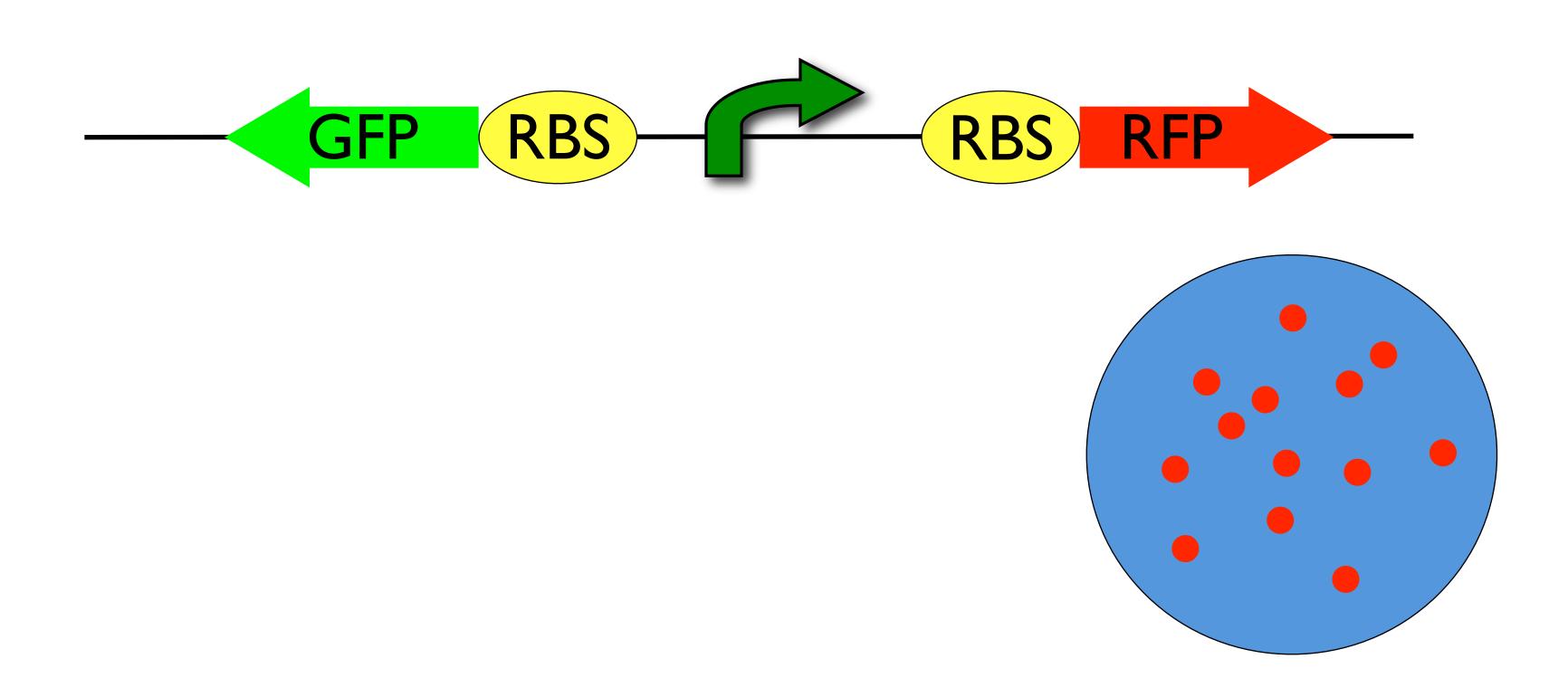
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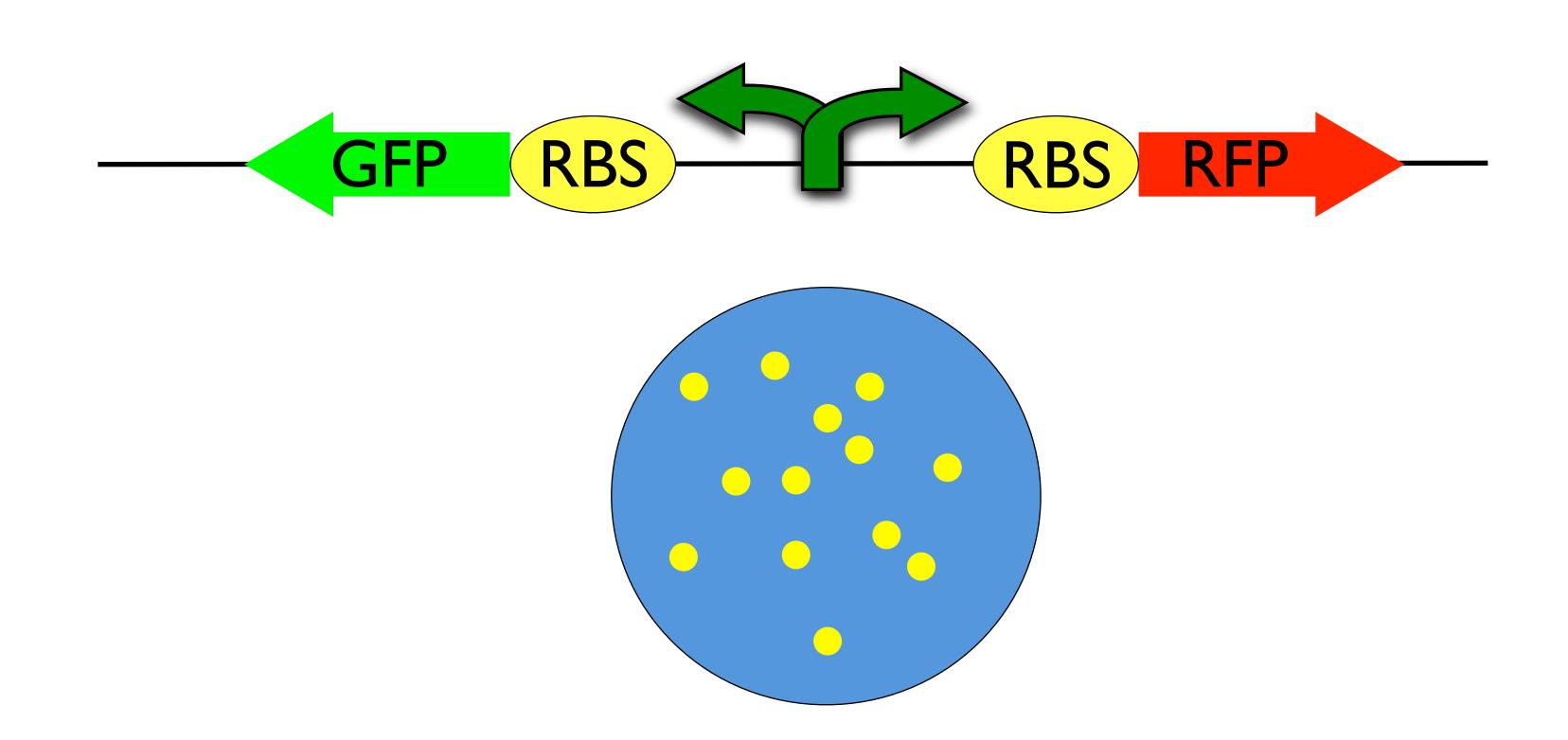
# Insert Non-functional Promoter J119137



# Insert Forward Promoter J119137



# Insert Bi-directional Promoter J119137



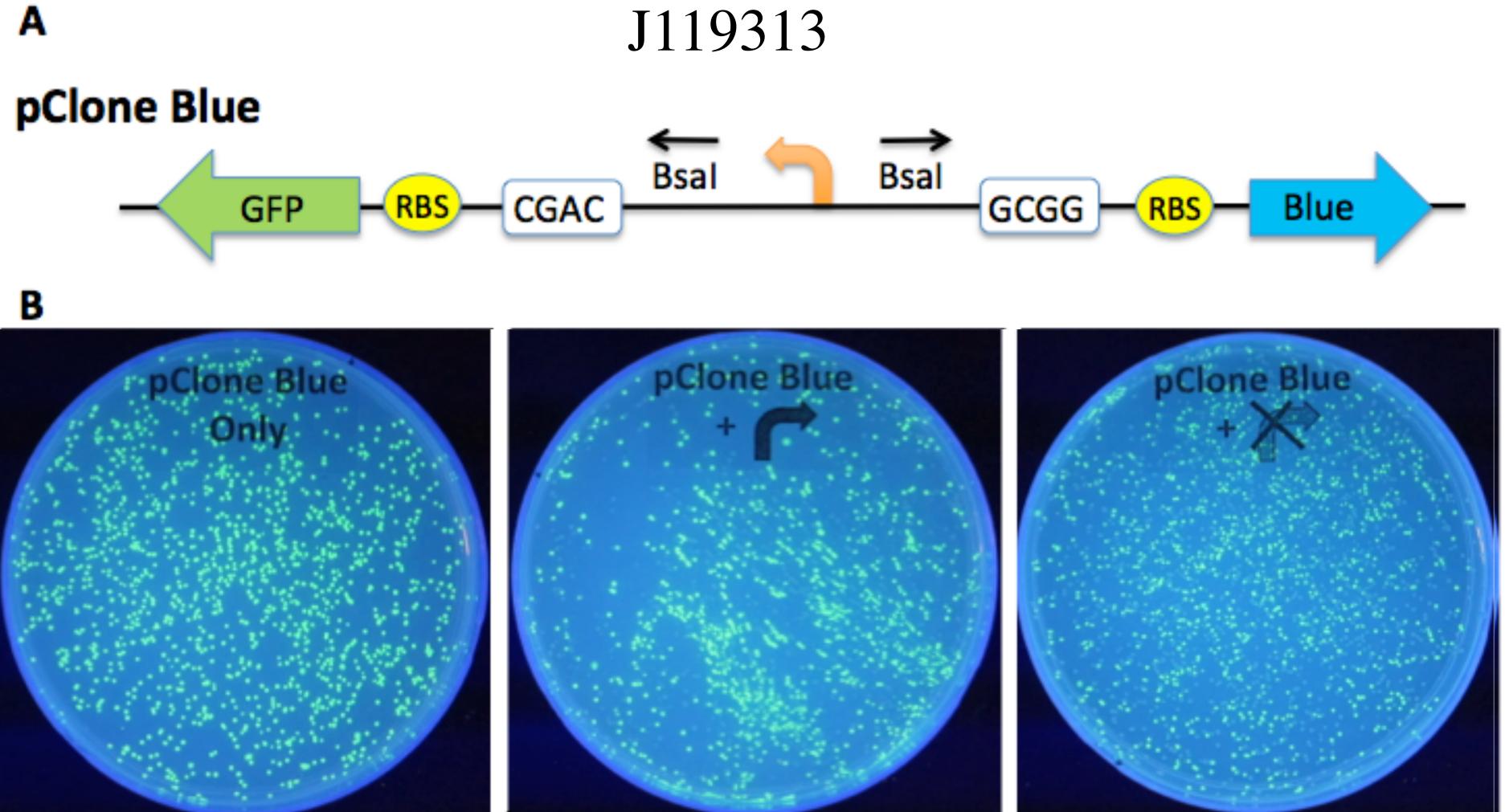
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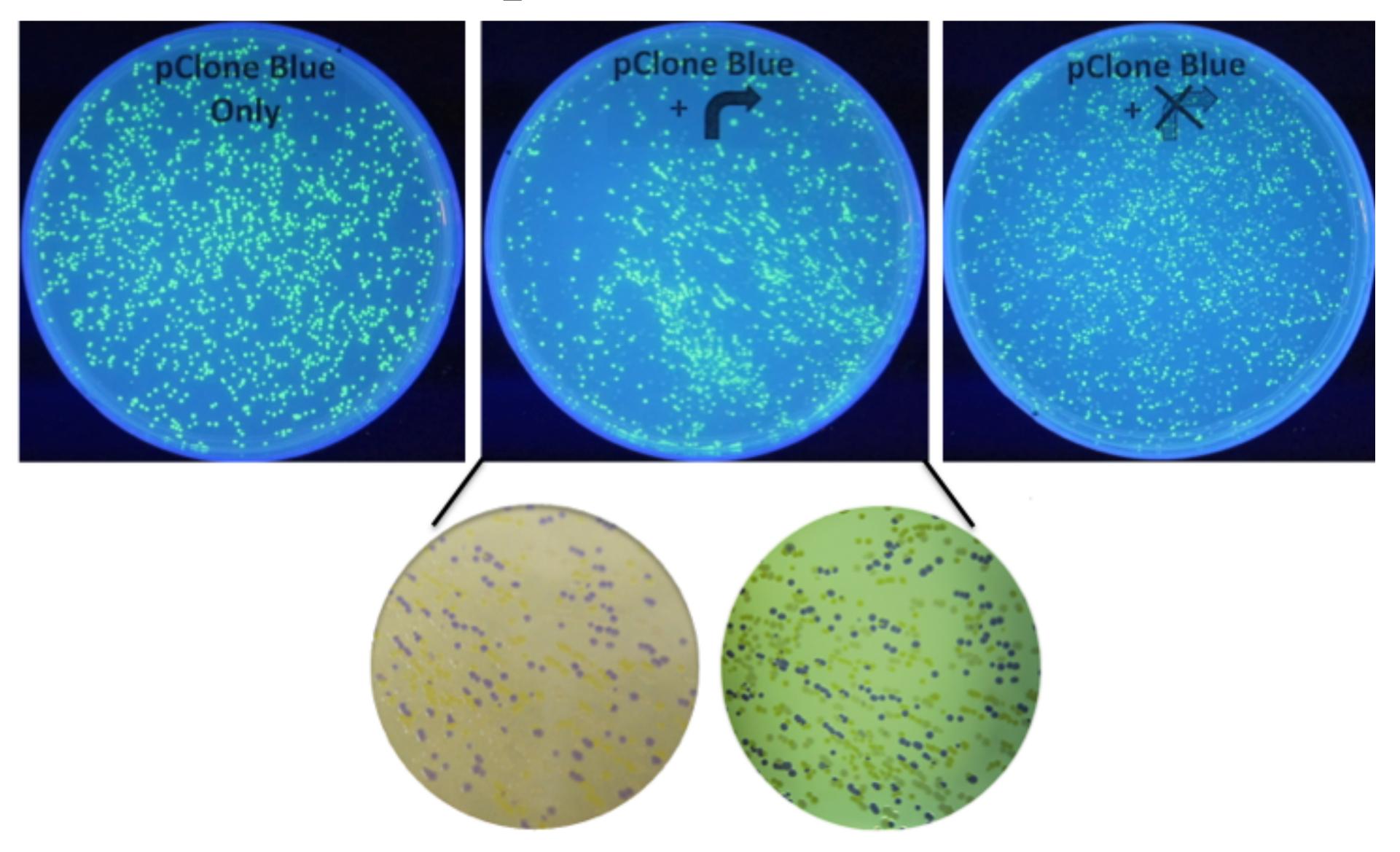
### Quantify with Phone and ImageJ J119137

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Isolated clones	•							
Expression Ratio	4.09	3.94	3.84	2.04	1.54	1.34	3.52	1.00

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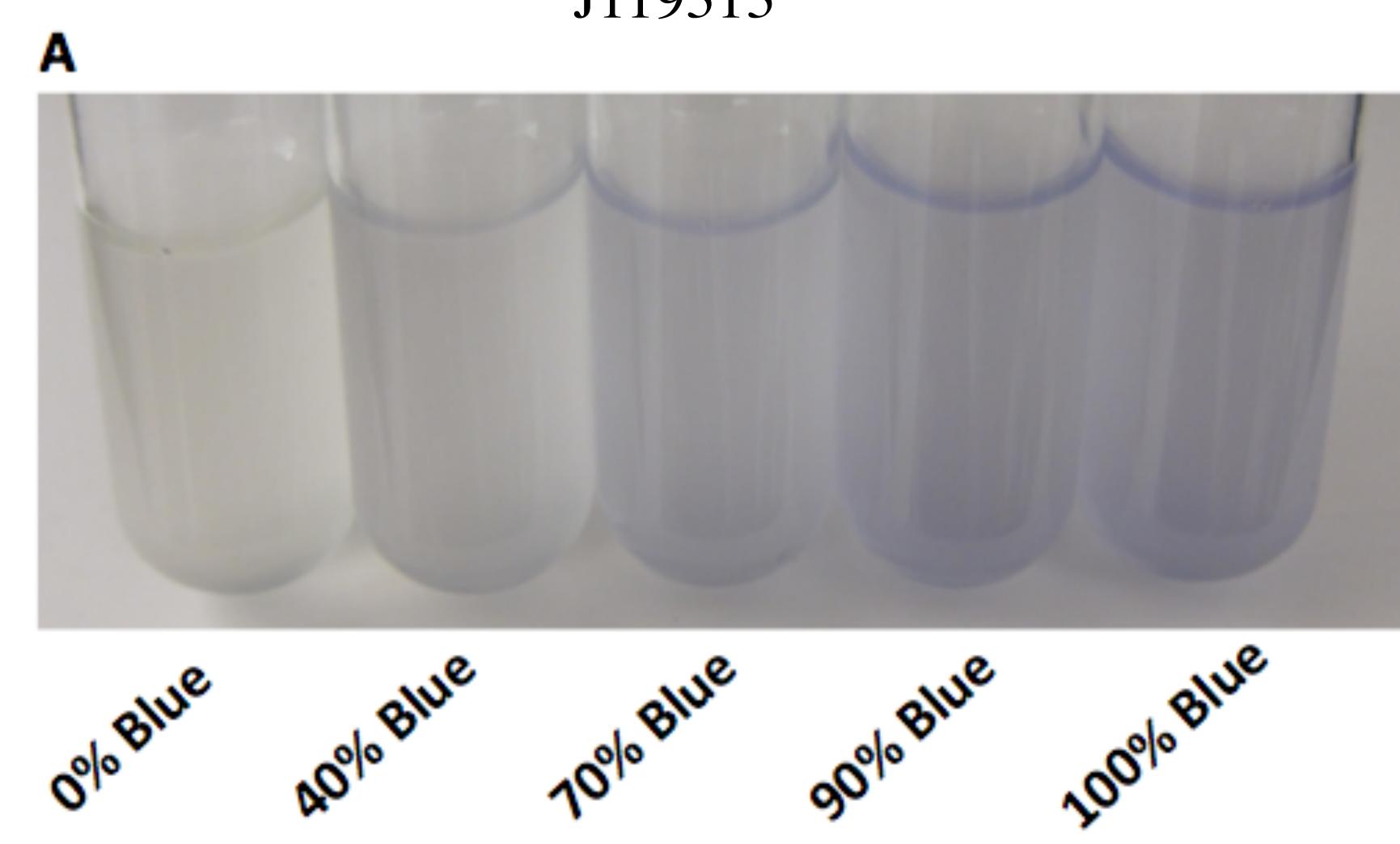


## pClone Blue



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# Measure Promoter Qualitatively J119313



#### Assessment Davidson Intro Bio

	Learning objective	Pretest experimental	Posttest experimental	Comparison course	F(2,88)	Effect size $(\eta^2)$	Conclusion
1	Function of promoter	43%	87% <sup>a</sup>	48%	8.008, p = 0.001	0.154	Large effect
2	Repressor diagram	23%	53% <sup>a</sup>	13%	7.206, p = 0.001	0.141	Large effect
3	Activator diagram	0%	41% <sup>a</sup>	0%	7.250, p = 0.001	0.167	Large effect
4	Experiment overview	0%	13% <sup>a</sup>	0%	4.538, p = 0.013	0.103	Moderate effect
5	Transformation method	0%	20% <sup>a</sup>	0%	7.374, p = 0.001	0.143	Large effect
6	Verify promoter cloned	50%	40%	48%	0.34, p = 0.713	0.008	No effect
7	Test promoter strength	43%	60%	39%	1.525, p = 0.223	0.034	No effect
8	Type IIs restriction enzymes	7%	50%	6%	1.873, p = 0.16	0.041	No effect
9	GGA method	10%	63% <sup>a</sup>	0%	31.929, p < 0.001	0.421	Large effect

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Significant improvement between pre- and posttest.

## Assessment MWSU Genetics (soph)

	Learning objective	Pretest experimental	Posttest experimental	Control course (ecology)	F(2252)	Effect size $(\eta^2)$	Conclusion
1	Function of promoter	36%	59% <sup>a</sup>	20%	13.527, p < 0.001	0.097	Moderate effect
2	-10 and $-35$ sites	3%	70% <sup>a</sup>	0%	145.374, p < 0.001	0.536	Large effect
3	Mutational analysis	30%	75% <sup>a</sup>	33%	28.773, p < 0.001	0.186	Large effect
4	Student-designed mutation	0%	0%	0%	0, p > 0.05	0.000	No effect
5	Transformation method	11%	51% <sup>a</sup>	12%	30.731, p < 0.001	0.196	Large effect
6	Verify promoter cloned	19%	$44\%^{a}$	18%	10.264, p < 0.001	0.075	Moderate effect
7	Test promoter strength	17%	33% <sup>a</sup>	18%	4.421, p = 0.013	0.034	Moderate effect
8	Type IIs restriction enzymes	2%	29% <sup>a</sup>	4%	21.661, p < 0.001	0.147	Large effect
9	GGA method	14%	22%	14%	1.56, p = 0.212	0.012	No effect

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#### Assessment Davidson Intro Bio

	Learning objective	Pretest experimental	Posttest experimental	Comparison course	F(2,88)	Effect size $(\eta^2)$	Conclusion
1	Function of promoter	43%	87% <sup>a</sup>	48%	8.008, p = 0.001	0.154	Large effect
2	Repressor diagram	23%	53% <sup>a</sup>	13%	7.206, p = 0.001	0.141	Large effect
3	Activator diagram	0%	41% <sup>a</sup>	0%	7.250, p = 0.001	0.167	Large effect
4	Experiment overview	0%	13% <sup>a</sup>	0%	4.538, p = 0.013	0.103	Moderate effect
5	Transformation method	0%	20% <sup>a</sup>	0%	7.374, p = 0.001	0.143	Large effect
6	Verify promoter cloned	50%	40%	48%	0.34, p = 0.713	0.008	No effect
7	Test promoter strength	43%	60%	39%	1.525, p = 0.223	0.034	No effect
8	Type IIs restriction enzymes	7%	50%	6%	1.873. v = 0.16	0.041	No effect
9	GGA method	10%	63% <sup>a</sup>	0%	31.929, p < 0.001	0.421	Large effect

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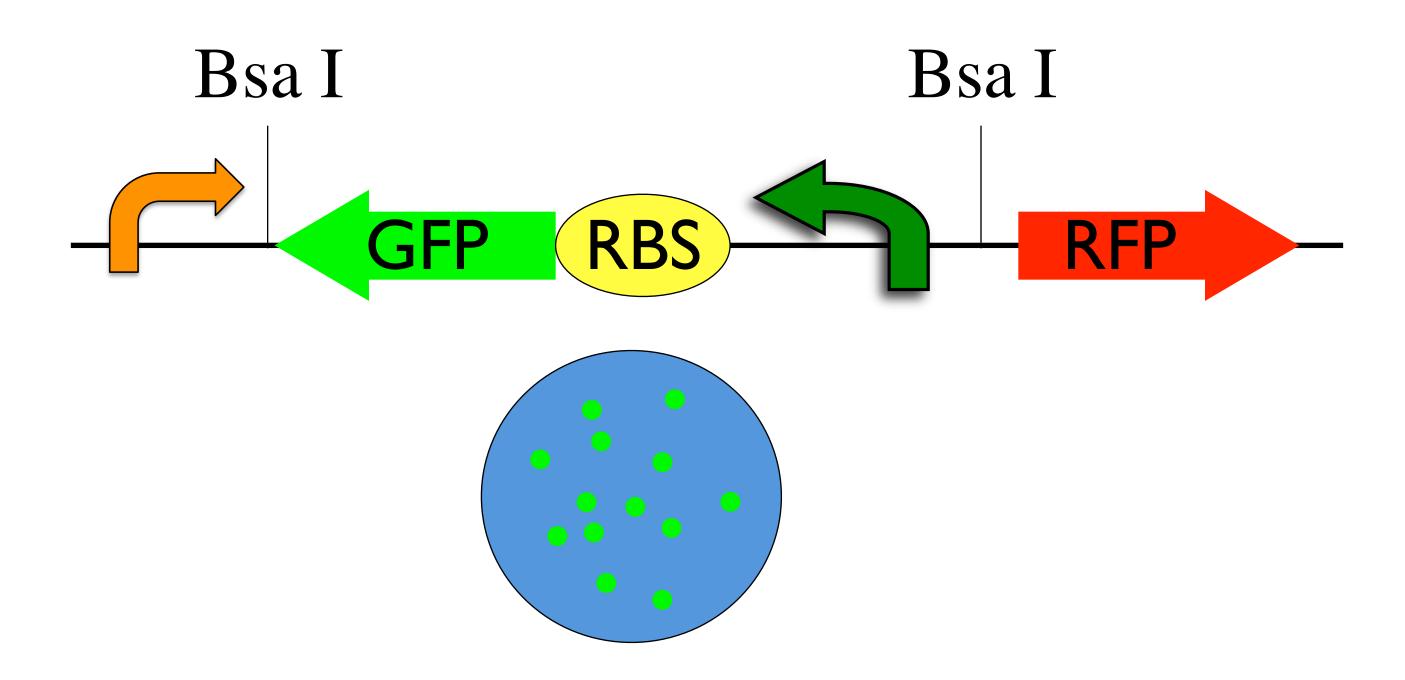
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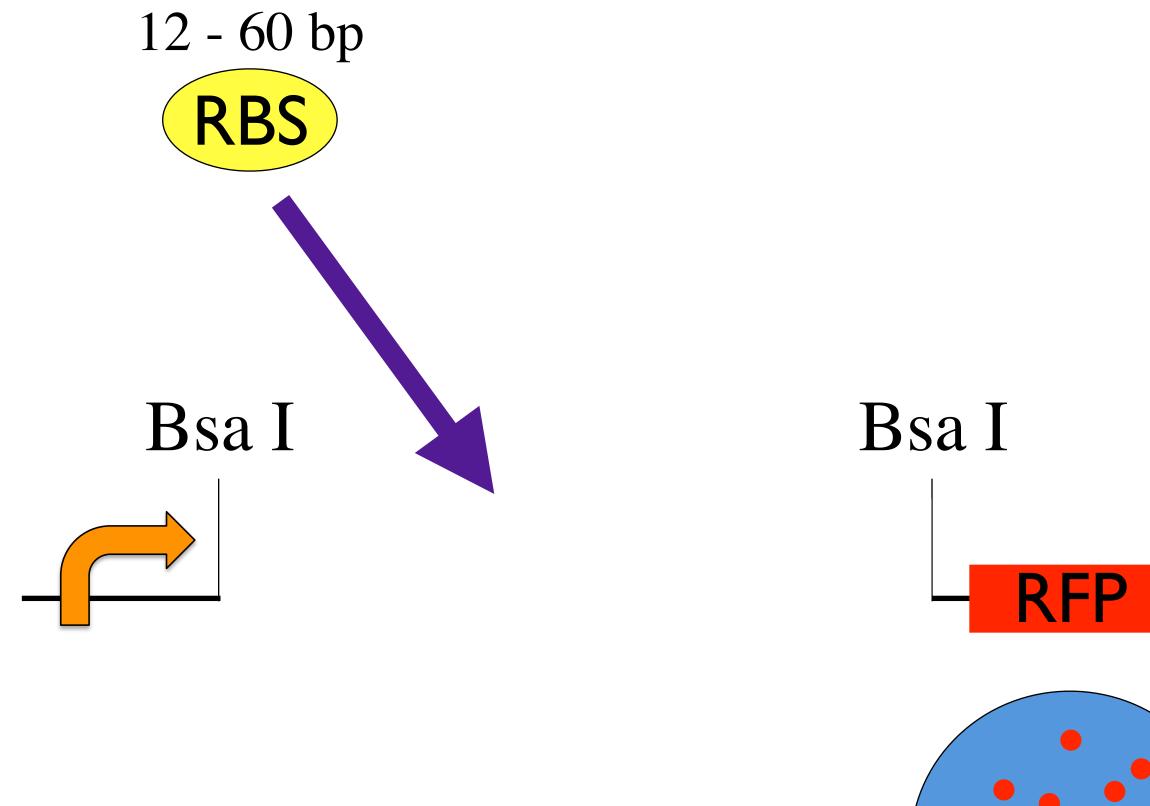
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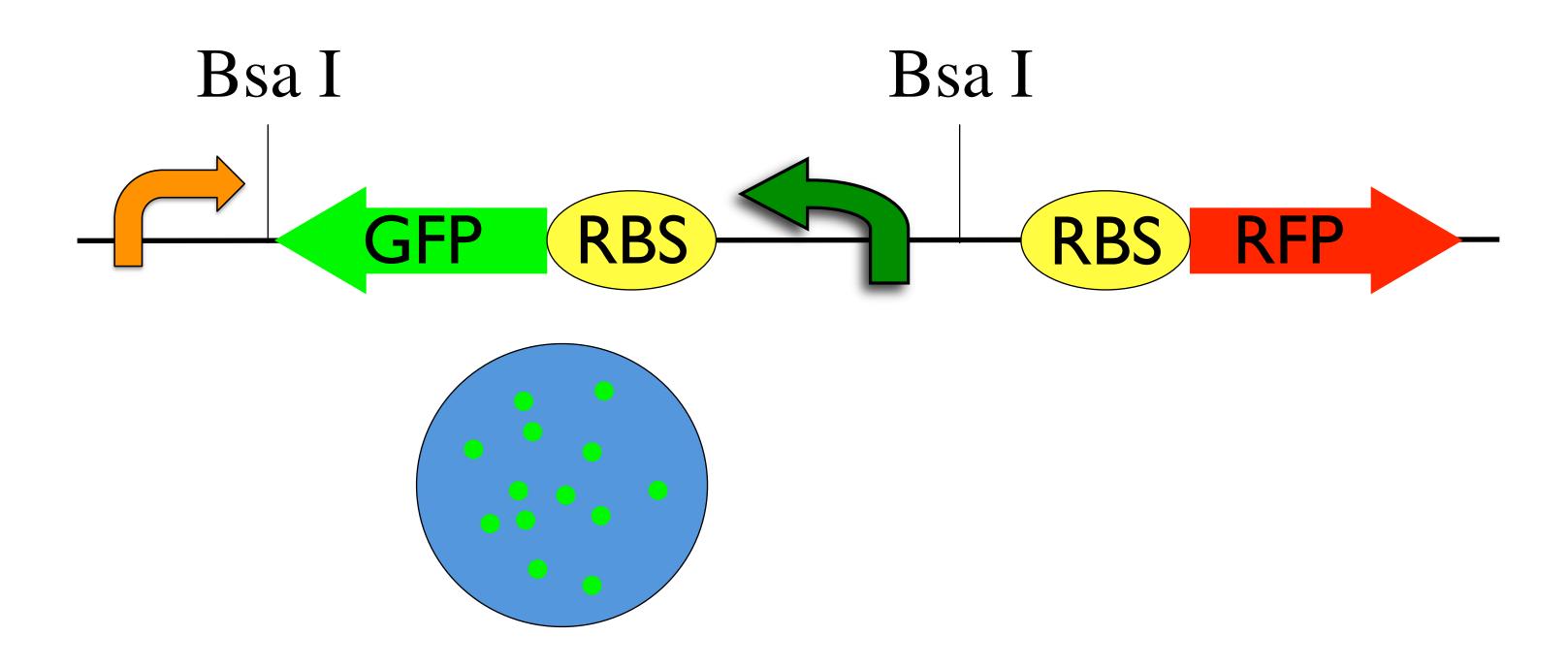


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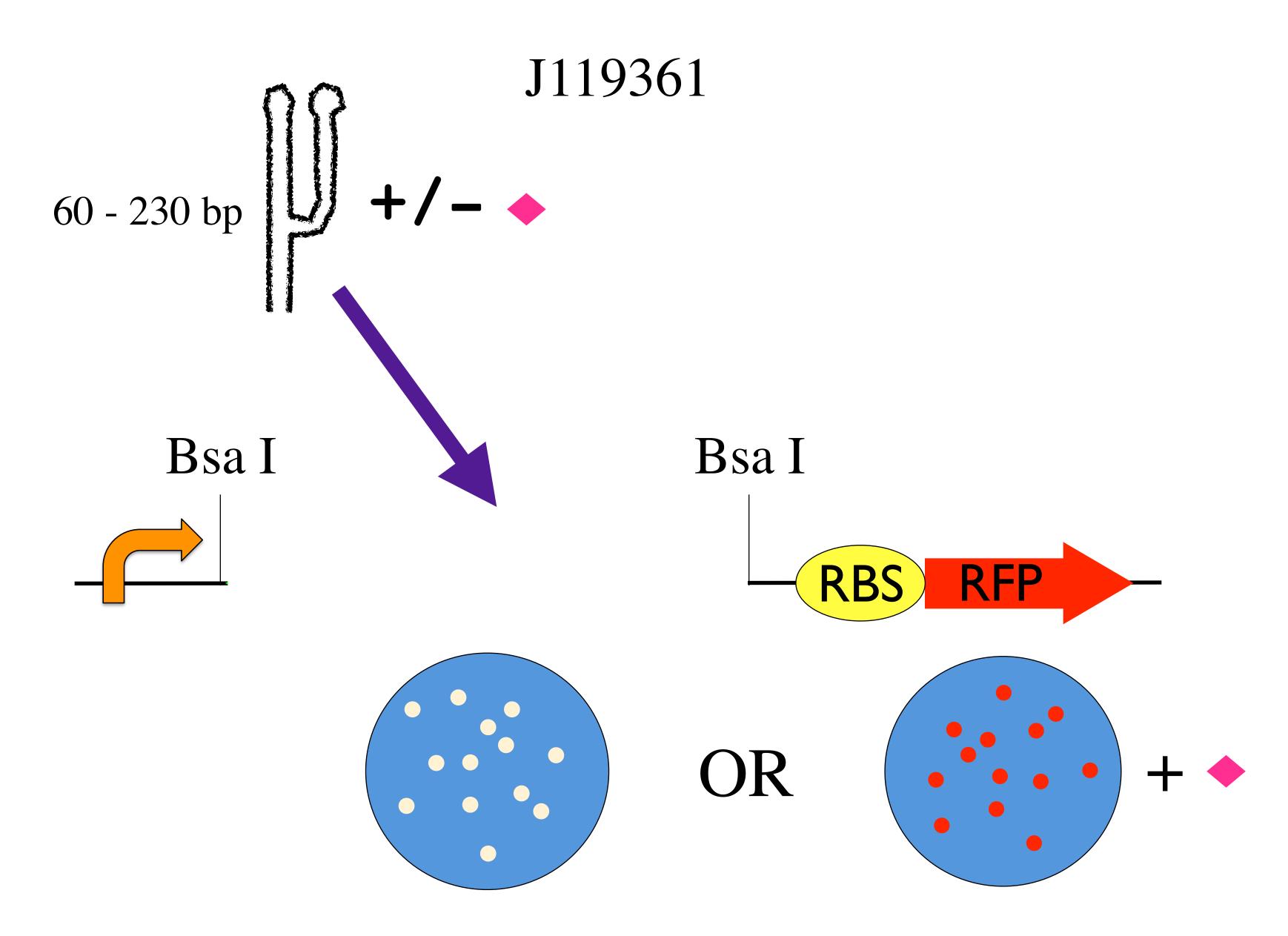
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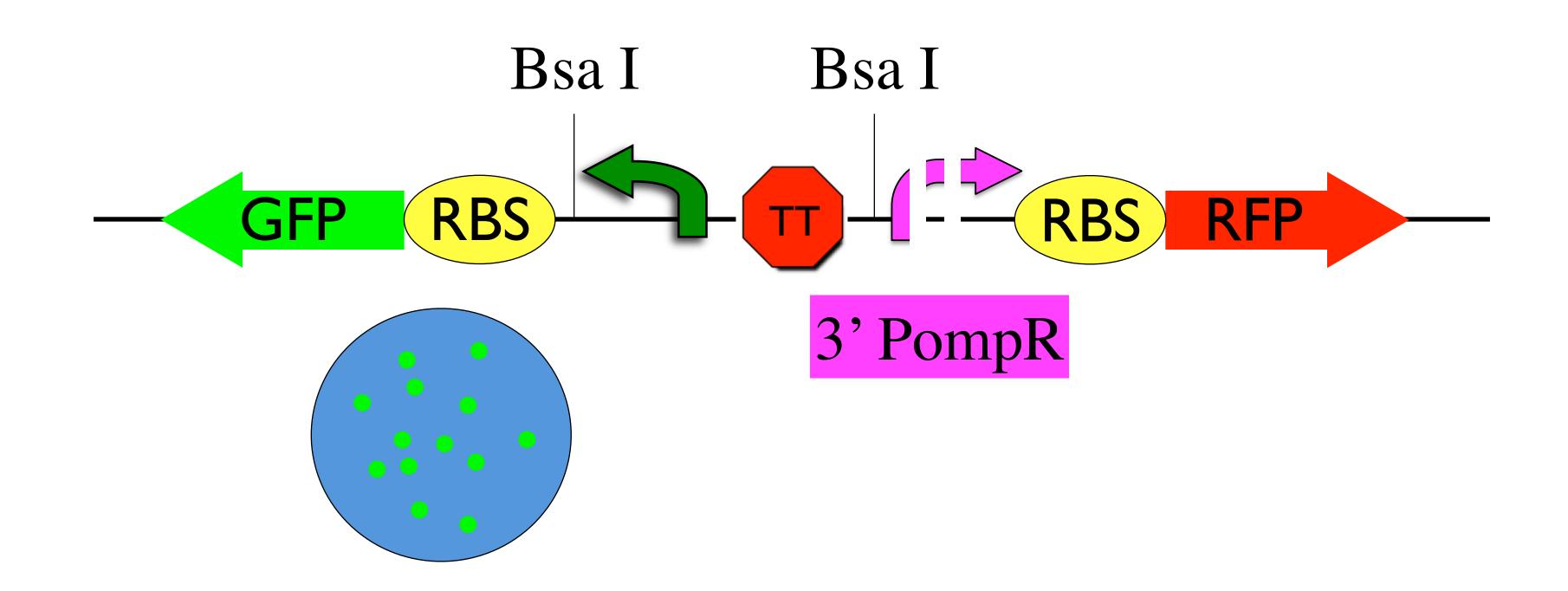
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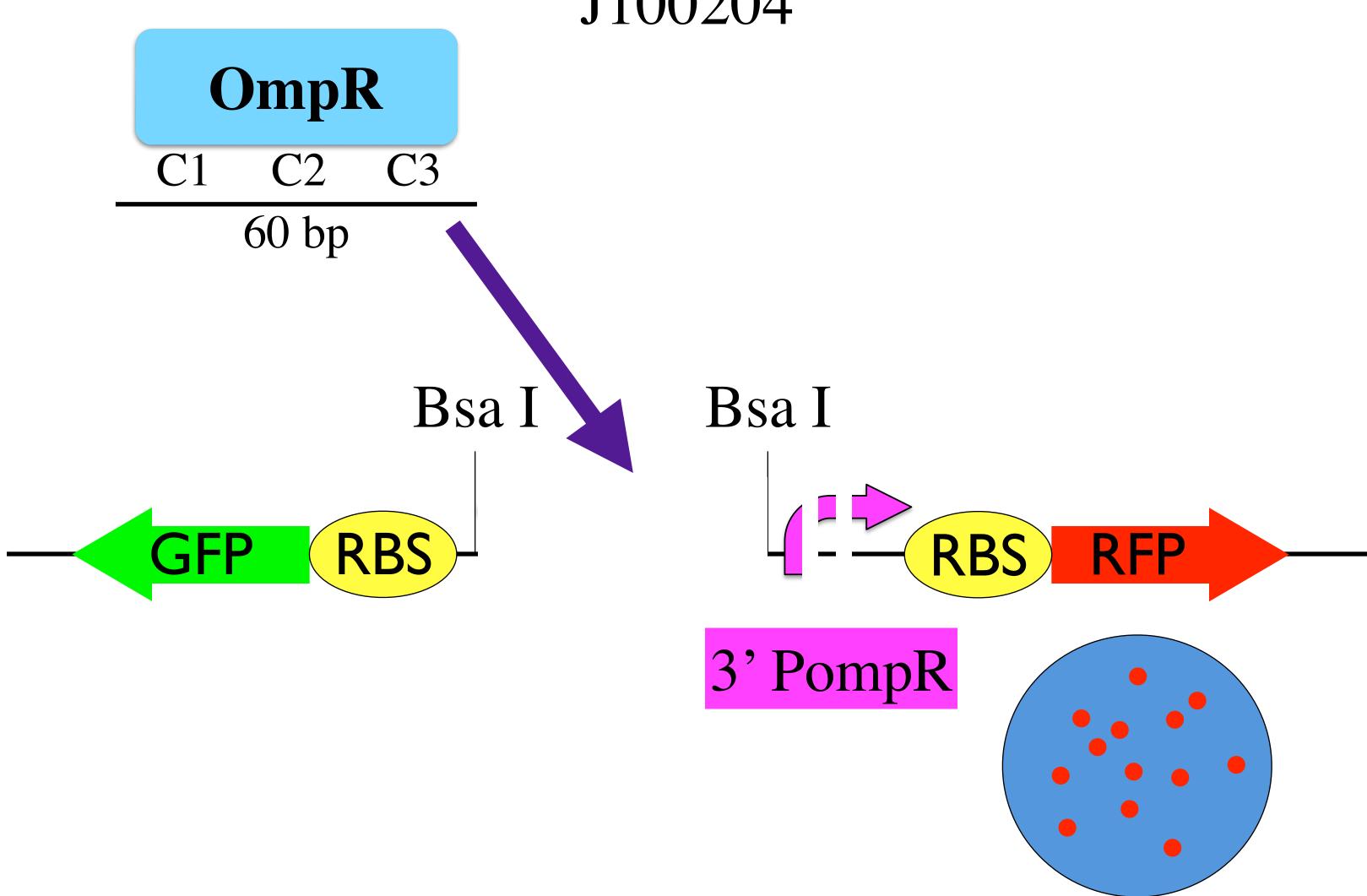
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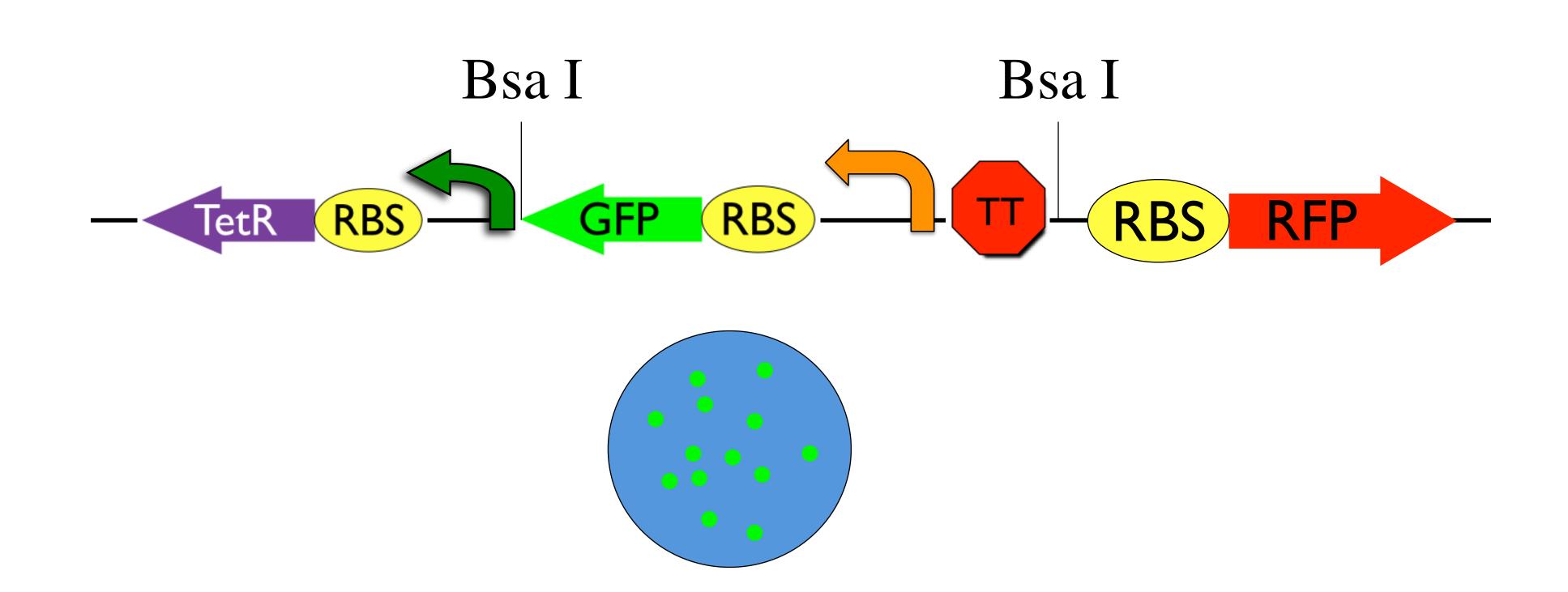
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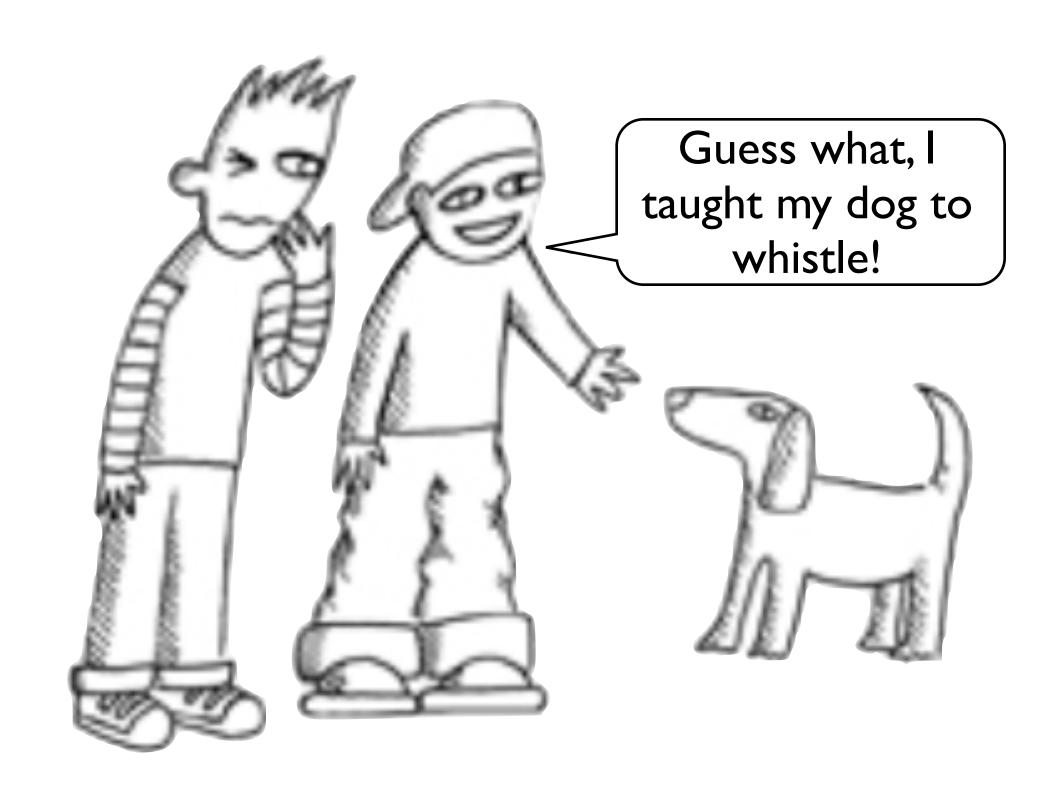


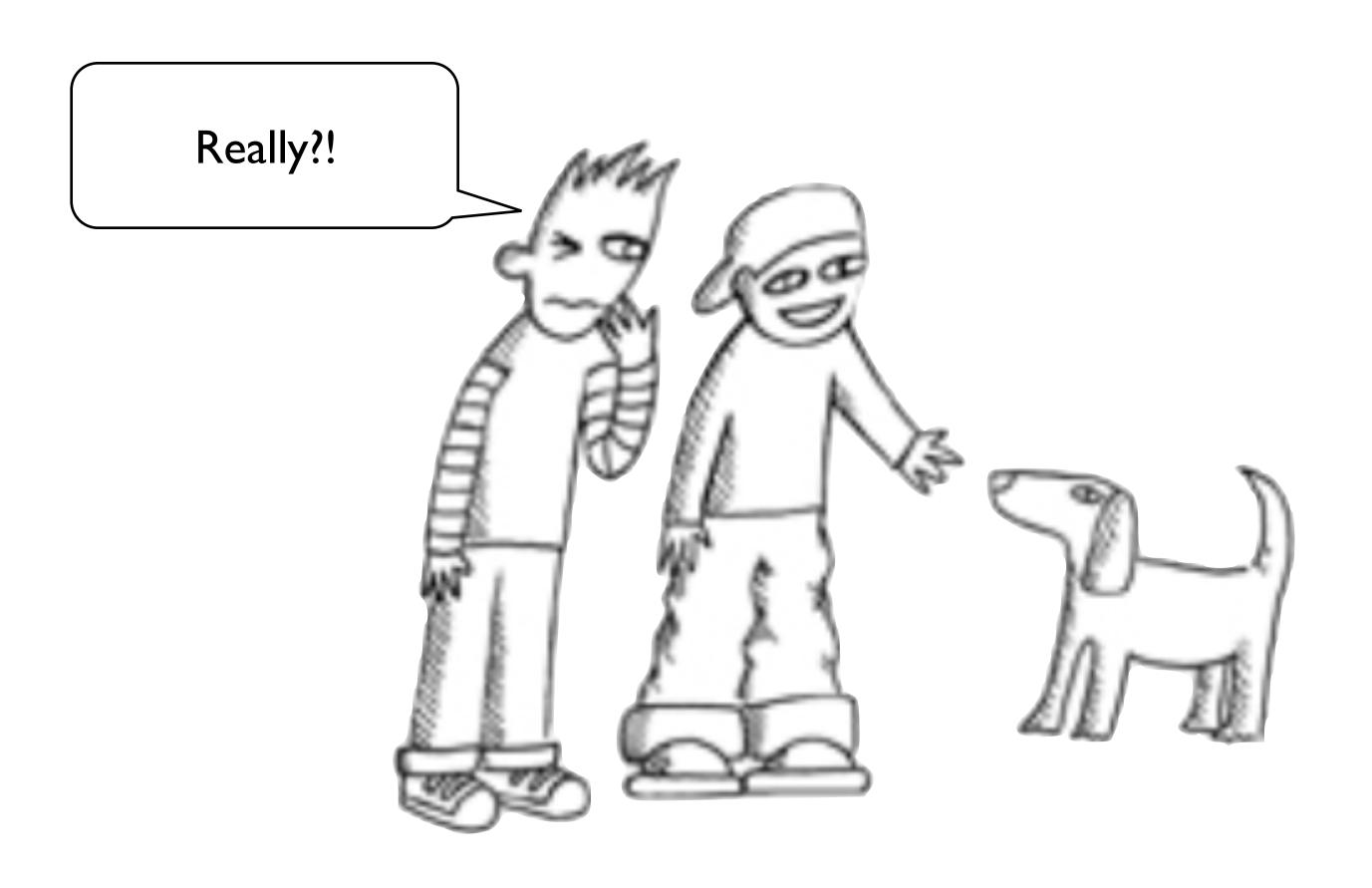
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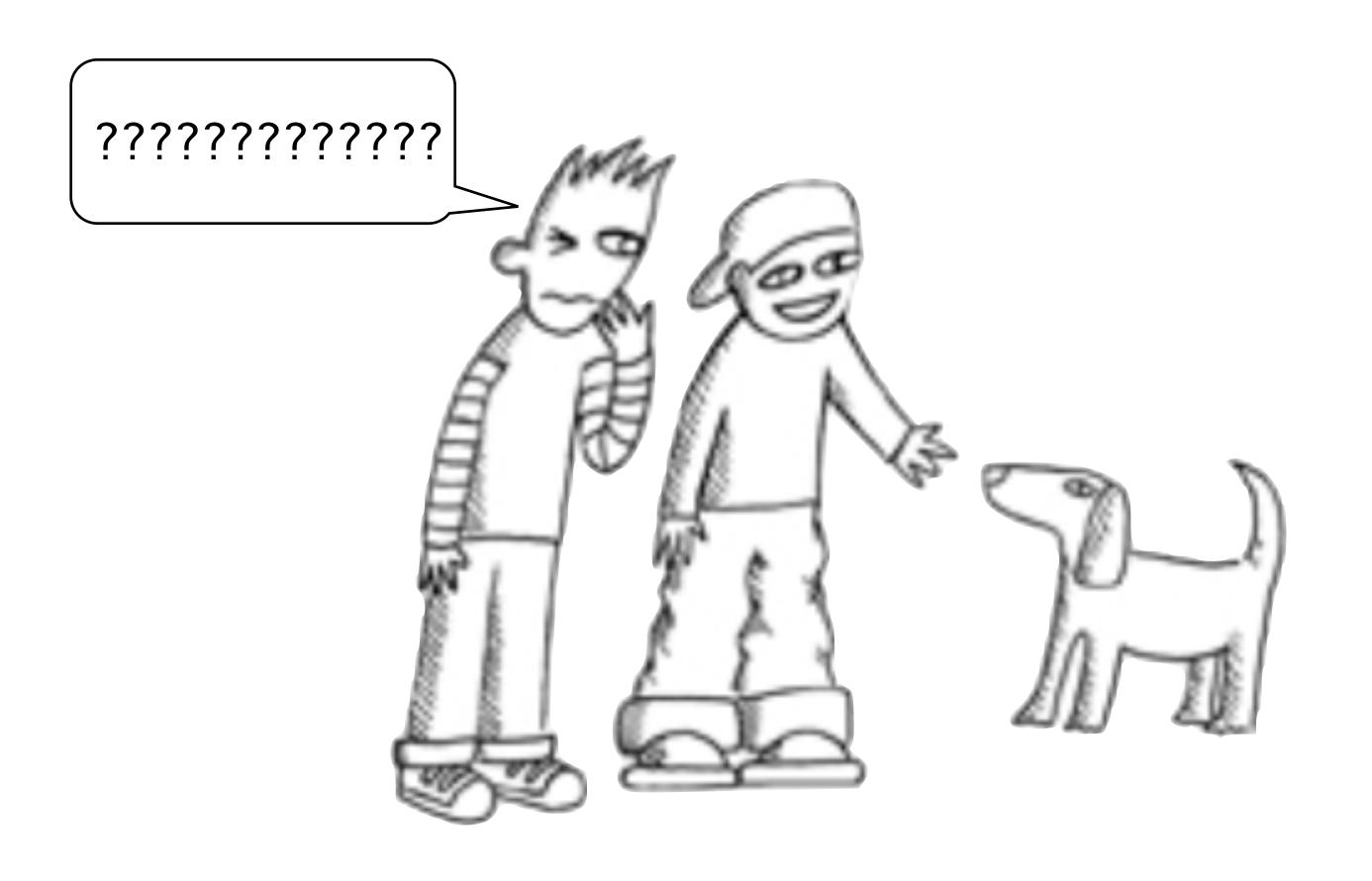
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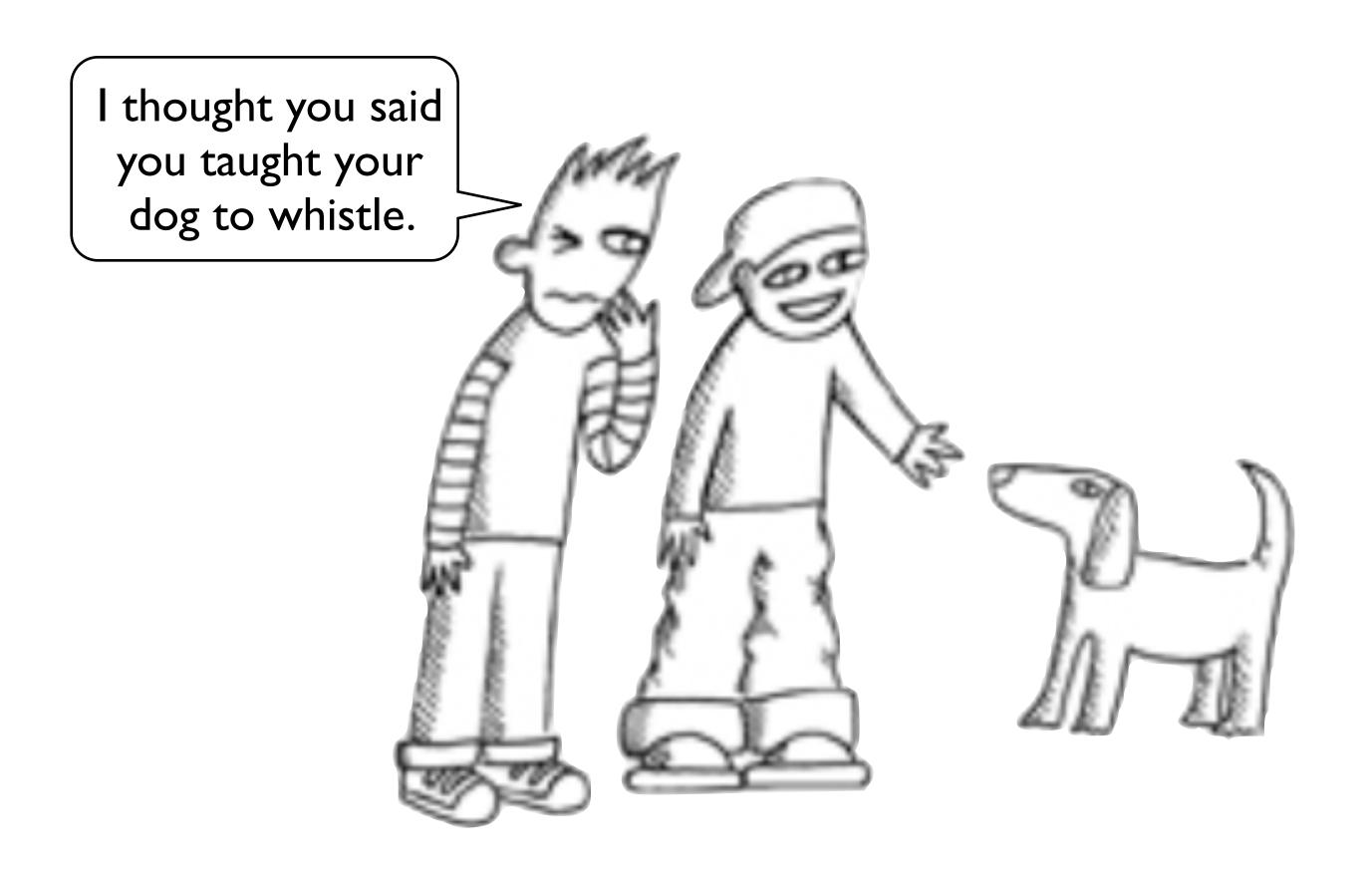
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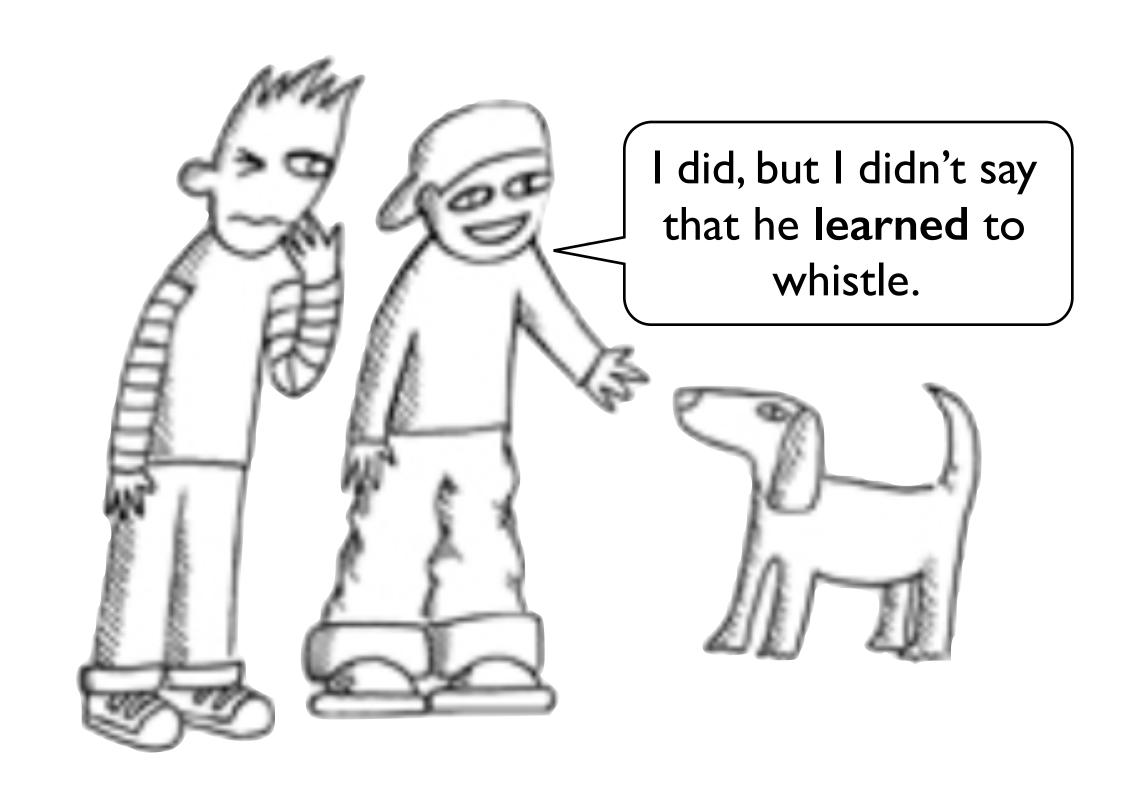












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