

Module 2: Expression Engineering

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Lecture 7

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Sparks of inspiration

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1950s Surgical Resident MGH

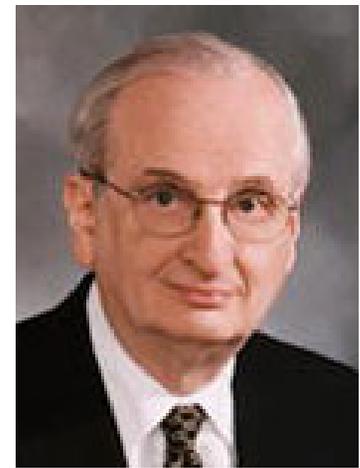


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“the warmth of tumors made him wonder whether they, like the other tissue in the body, needed their own blood supply and whether they could be starved if that blood supply was cut off”

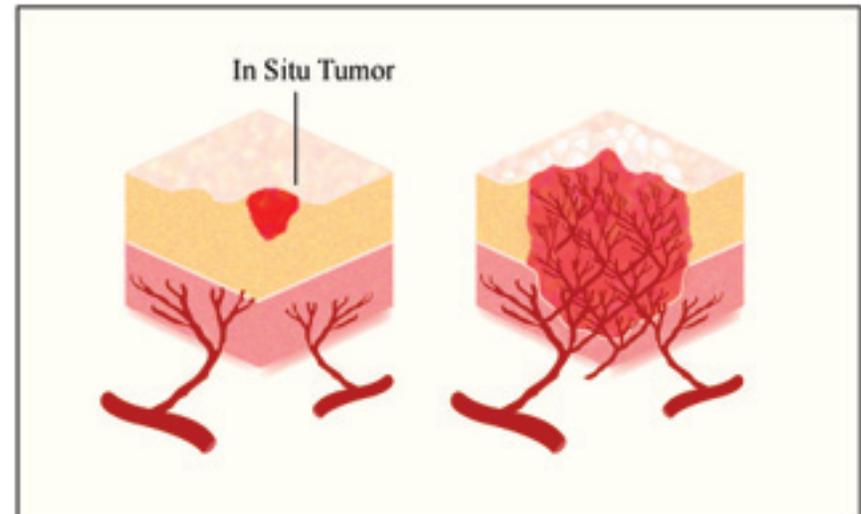
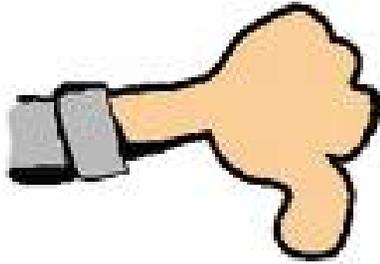


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- 👉 existing blood supply enough
- 👉 no such molecules known
- 👉 tumors red from inflammation

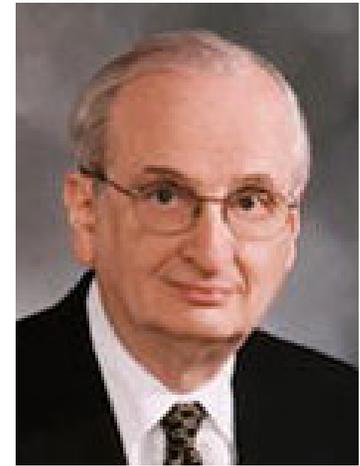


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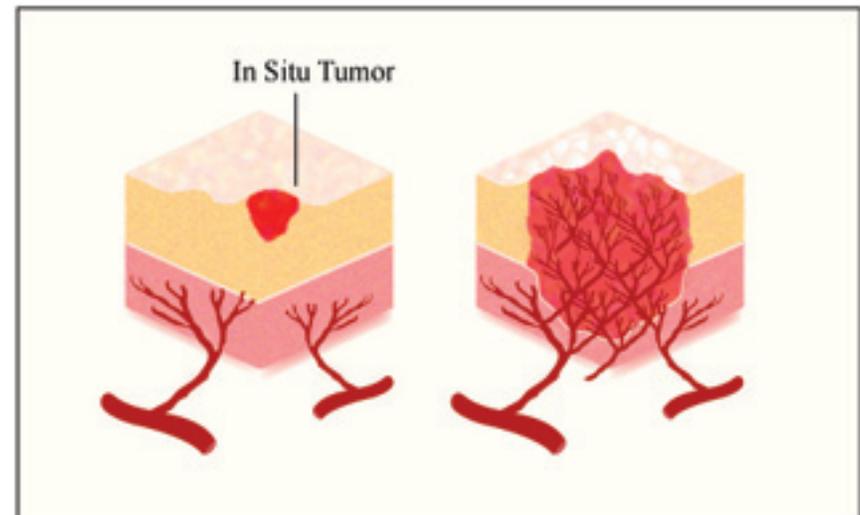


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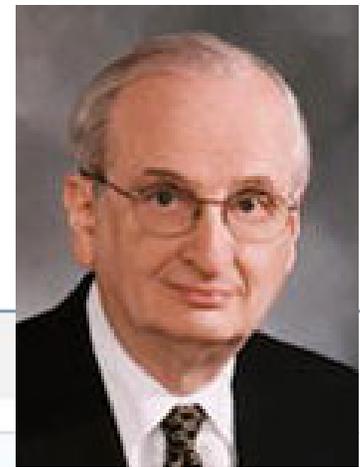


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1: [Science](#). 1976 Jul 2;193(4247):70-2.

Isolations of a cartilage factor that inhibits tumor neovascularization.

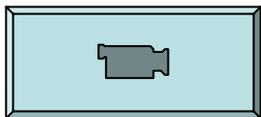
[Langer R](#), [Brem H](#), [Faltermann K](#), [Klein M](#), [Folkman J](#).

A cartilage fraction isolated by guanidine extraction and purified by affinity chromatography inhibits tumor-induced vascular proliferation and consequently restricts tumor growth. This fraction contains several different proteins; the major one has a molecular weight of about 16,000. The fraction strongly inhibits protease activity.

rabbit
cornea

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tumor + polymer + inhibitor -inhibitor



http://www.childrenshospital.org/research/videos/3_Isolating.mov

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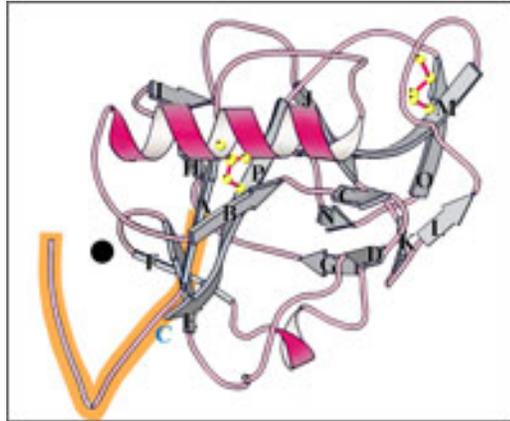


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Clinical translation

2004

FDA approval for endostatin



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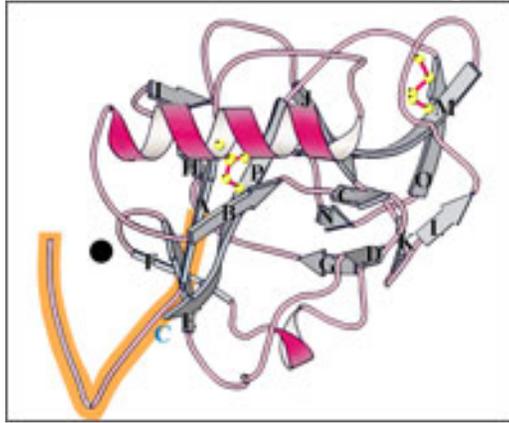


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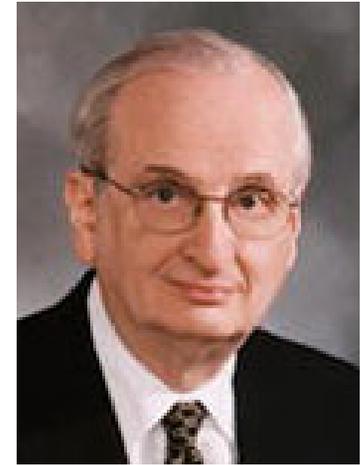


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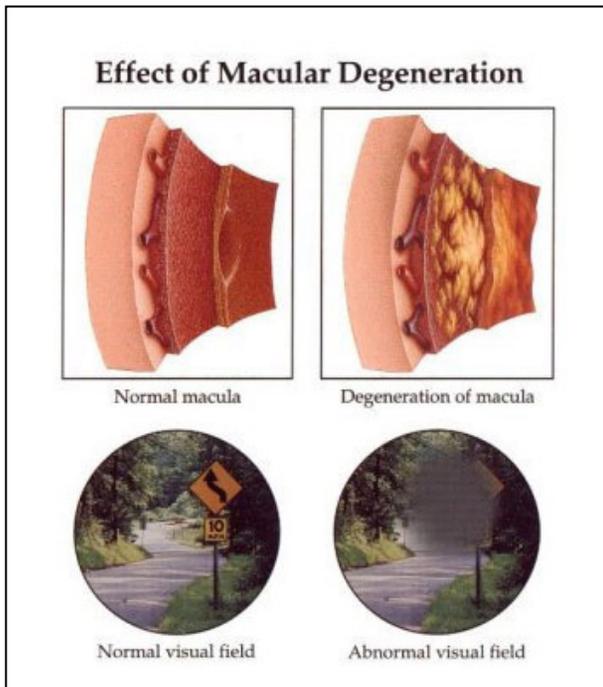
2007

10 anti-angiogenesis treatments approved

32 countries

cancer + macular degeneration

http://www.affymetrix.com/community/wayahead/macular_degeneration.affx



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Genome-wide genotype analysis

AMD: Age-related Macular Degeneration

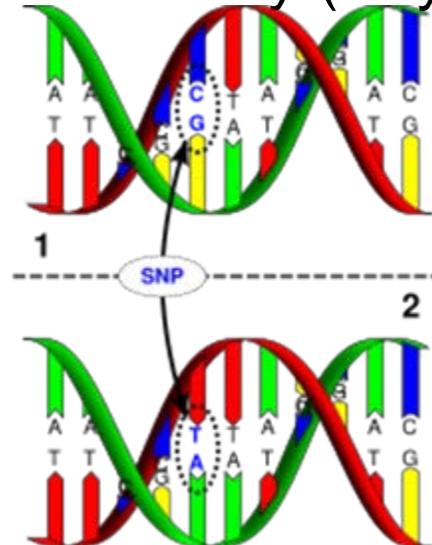
15 million people in the US suffer from AMD

is expected to double as baby boomers age

50 unaffected

96 patients

100K SNP array (Affymetrix)



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Genome-wide genotype analysis

Both SNPs in gene for
Complement Factor H

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H Polymorphism in Age-Related Macular
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SNP encodes
Y402H
mutation

Science (2005) 308:419

Science (2005) 308:421

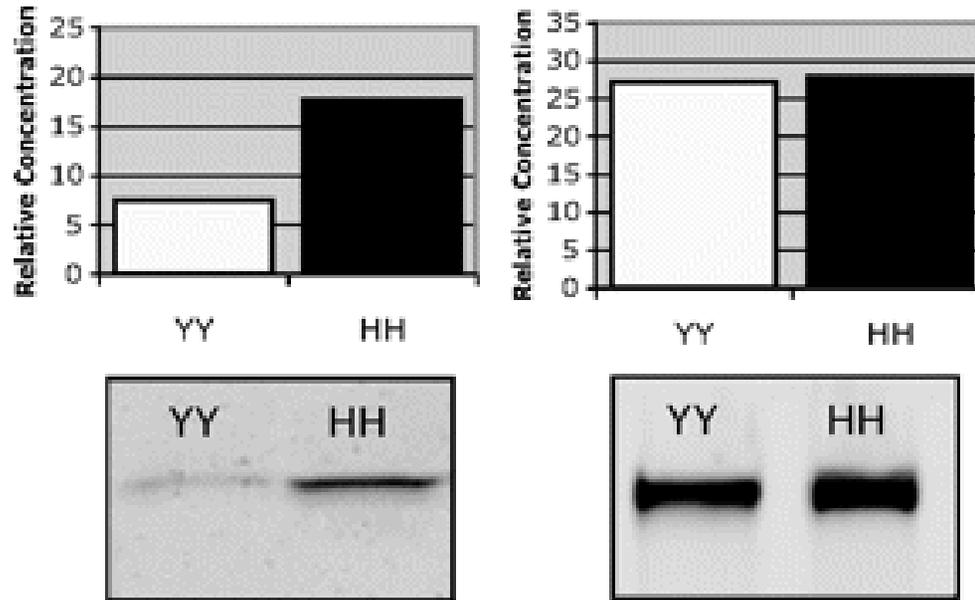
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Genome-wide genotype analysis

Western

C-reactive protein (CRP)

Complement Factor H (CFH)



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Source: Johnson, P. T., et al. "Individuals Homozygous for the Age-Related Macular Degeneration Risk-Conferring Variant of Complement Factor H Have Elevated Levels of CRP in the Choroid." *PNAS* 103 (2006): 17456. DOI: 10.1073/pnas.0606234103 . Copyright (c) 2006 National Academy of Sciences, U.S.A.

YY= homozygous for Y402

HH = homozygous for Y402H SNP

Genome-wide phenotype analysis

Arrays for RNAi drug discovery



“The researchers involved in the three-year, \$18 million initiative successfully built a library of 160,000 custom-designed RNAi constructs targeting 15,000 human genes and 15,000 mouse genes. They also developed methods to apply this library effectively for loss-of-function genetic screens. This fundamental resource is available to scientists worldwide through Sigma-Aldrich and Open Biosystems.”

Source: http://www.broad.mit.edu/genome_bio/trc/ [Accessed June 12, 2008]

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grow at RT
ambient CO₂
no lipid needed for txn



Watercolor illustration by Thomas Hunt Morgan, 1919.

Features:

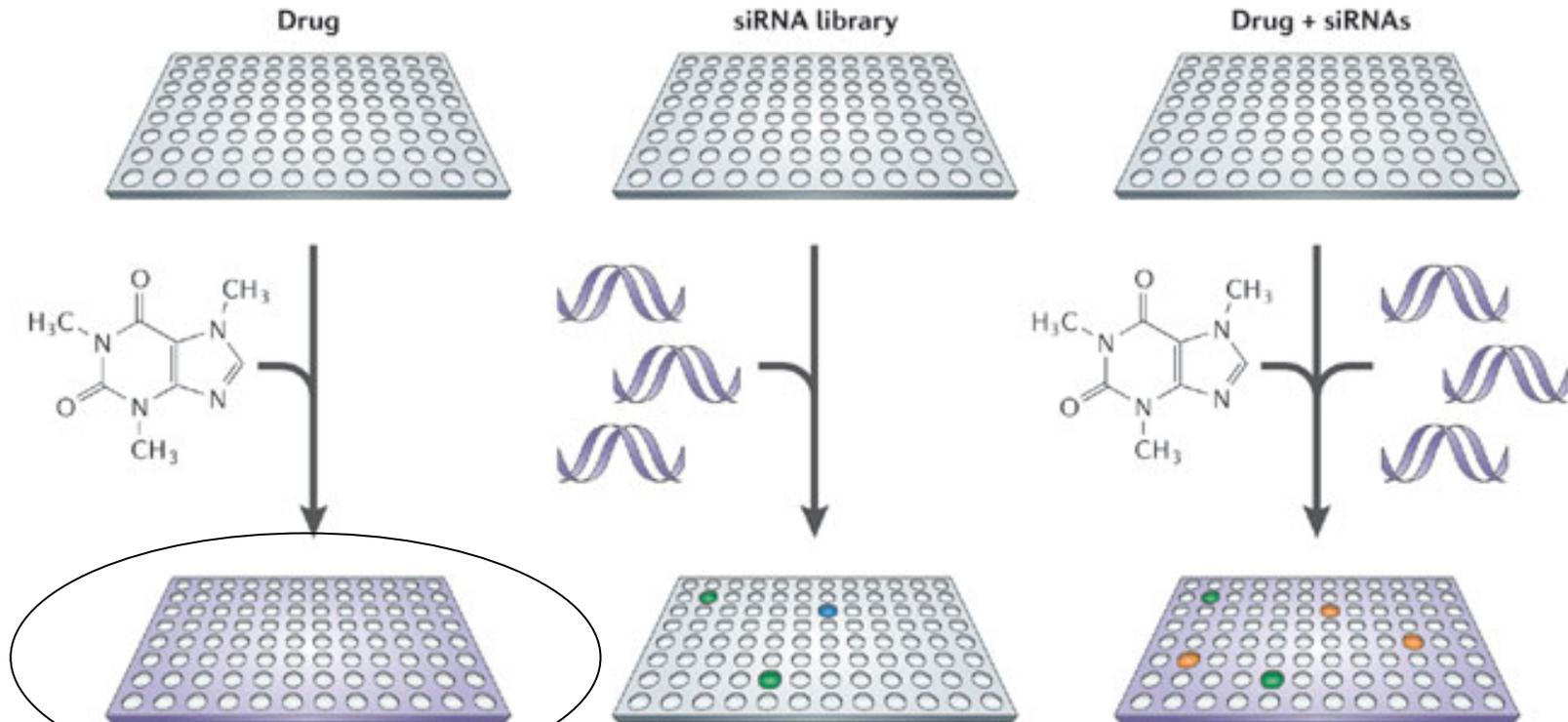
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automated

collaborative

Genome-wide phenotype analysis

One possible screening paradigm



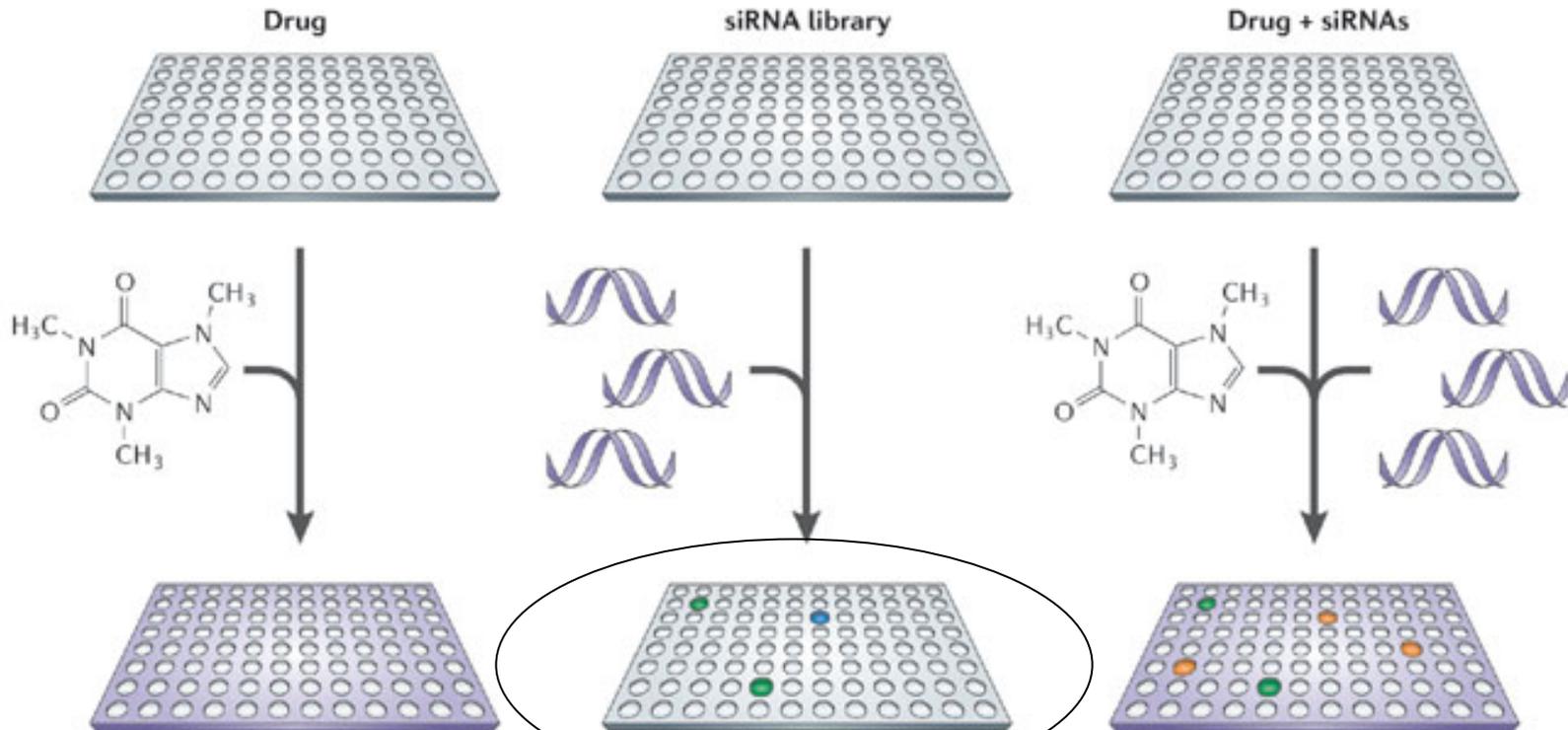
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drug has no effect on cells

Nature Reviews Genetics 2006 7: 373

Genome-wide phenotype analysis

One possible screening paradigm



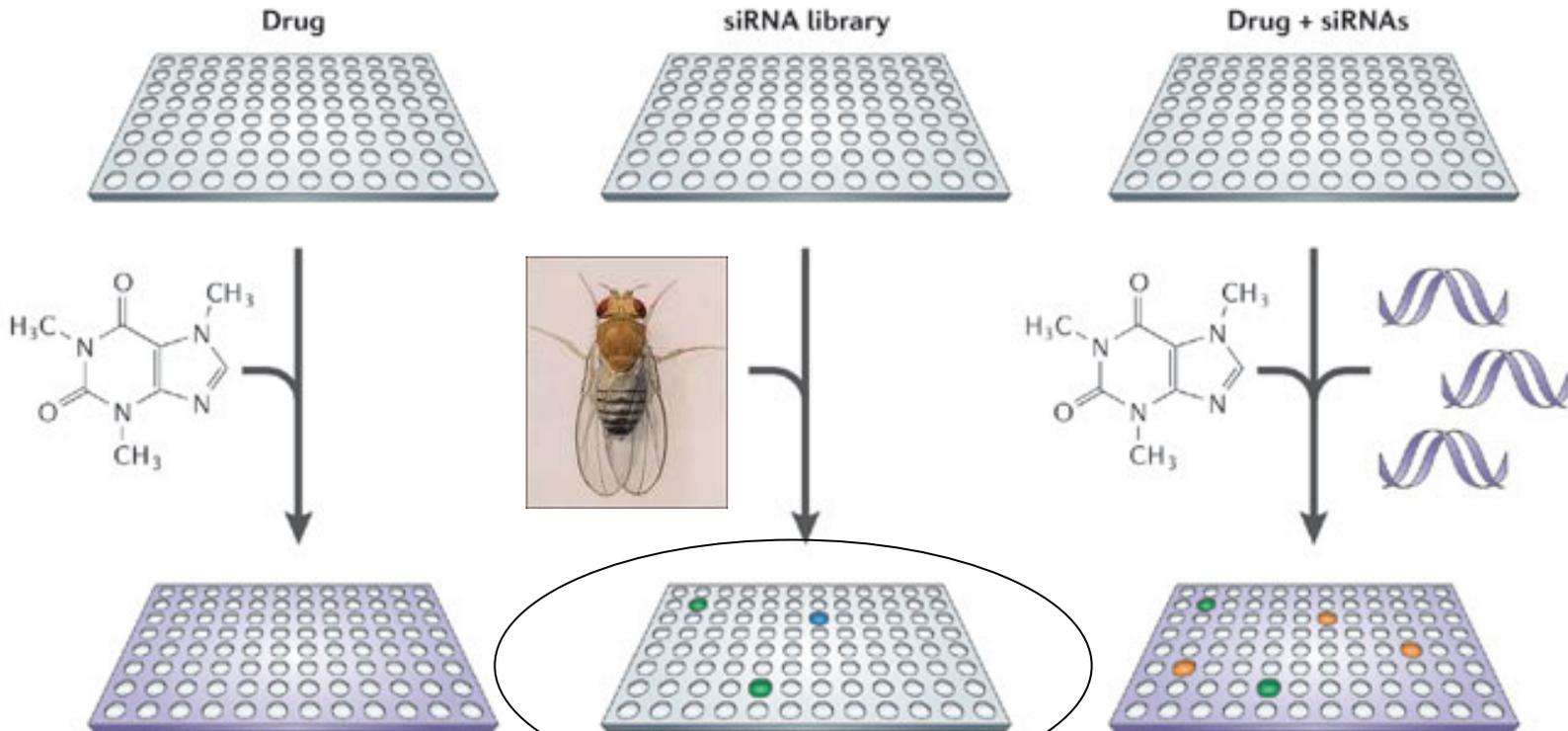
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screen to find siRNAs with some effect on cells

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Genome-wide phenotype analysis

One possible screening paradigm



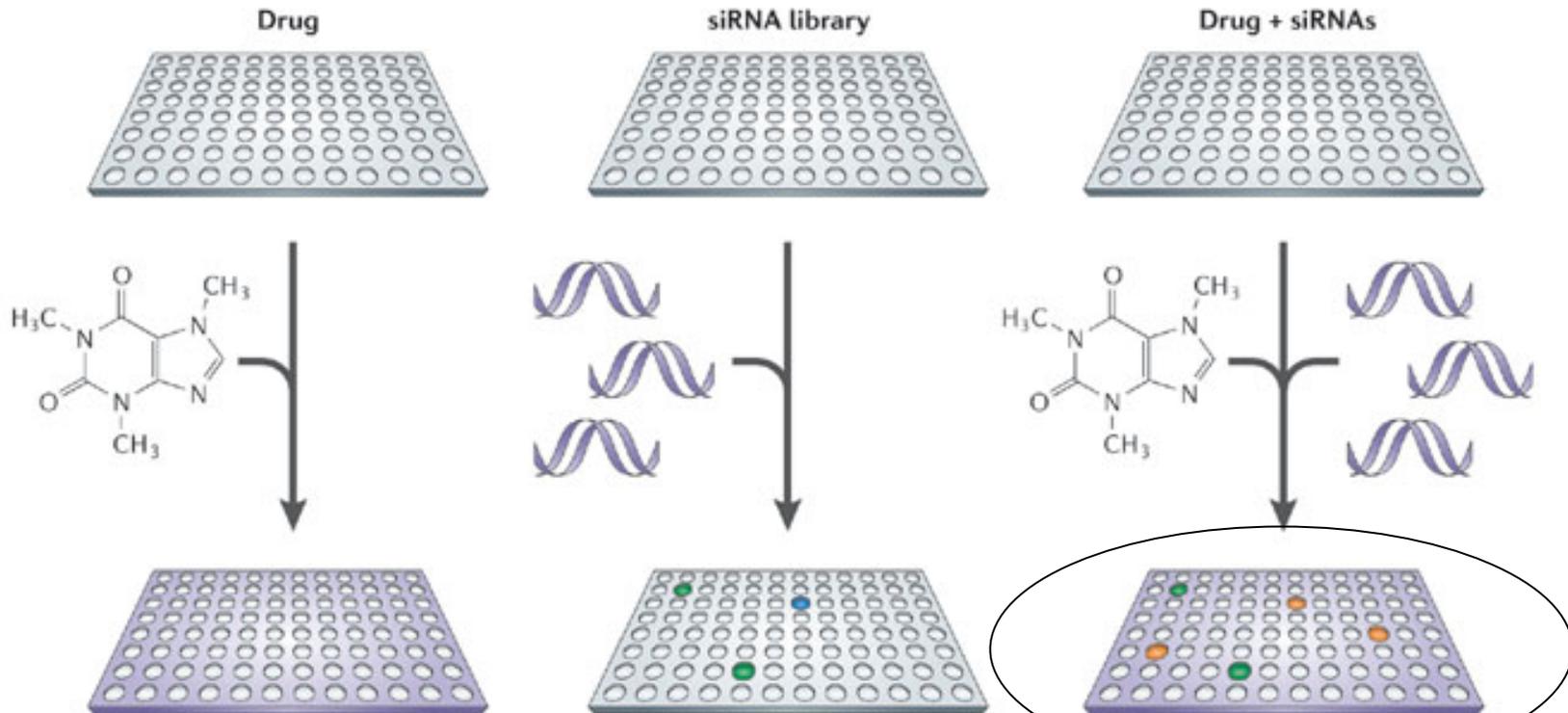
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Genome-wide phenotype analysis

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screen for synthetic effects/biomarkers of drug with siRNA

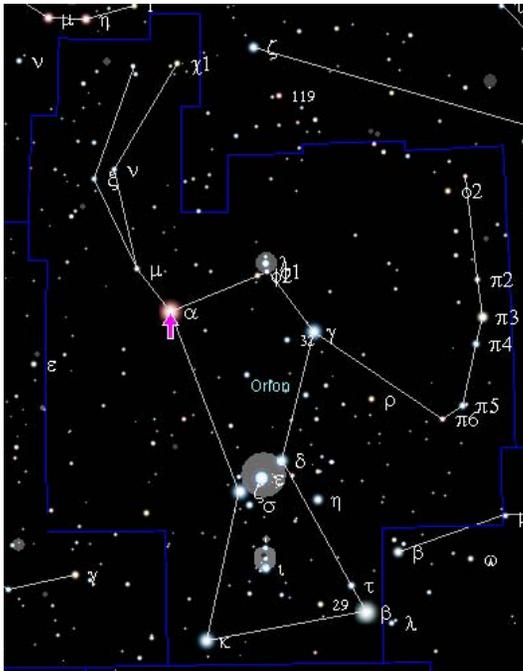
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Genome-wide phenotype analysis

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

- ssRNA enveloped virus of the Paramyxovirus family
- Responsible for 50-90% of Bronchiolitis and 5-40% of Bronchopneumonia in infants
- RSV fusion protein allows virus to fuse with host cells, and then fuses neighboring cells into multinucleated masses

Alnylam
Pharmaceuticals

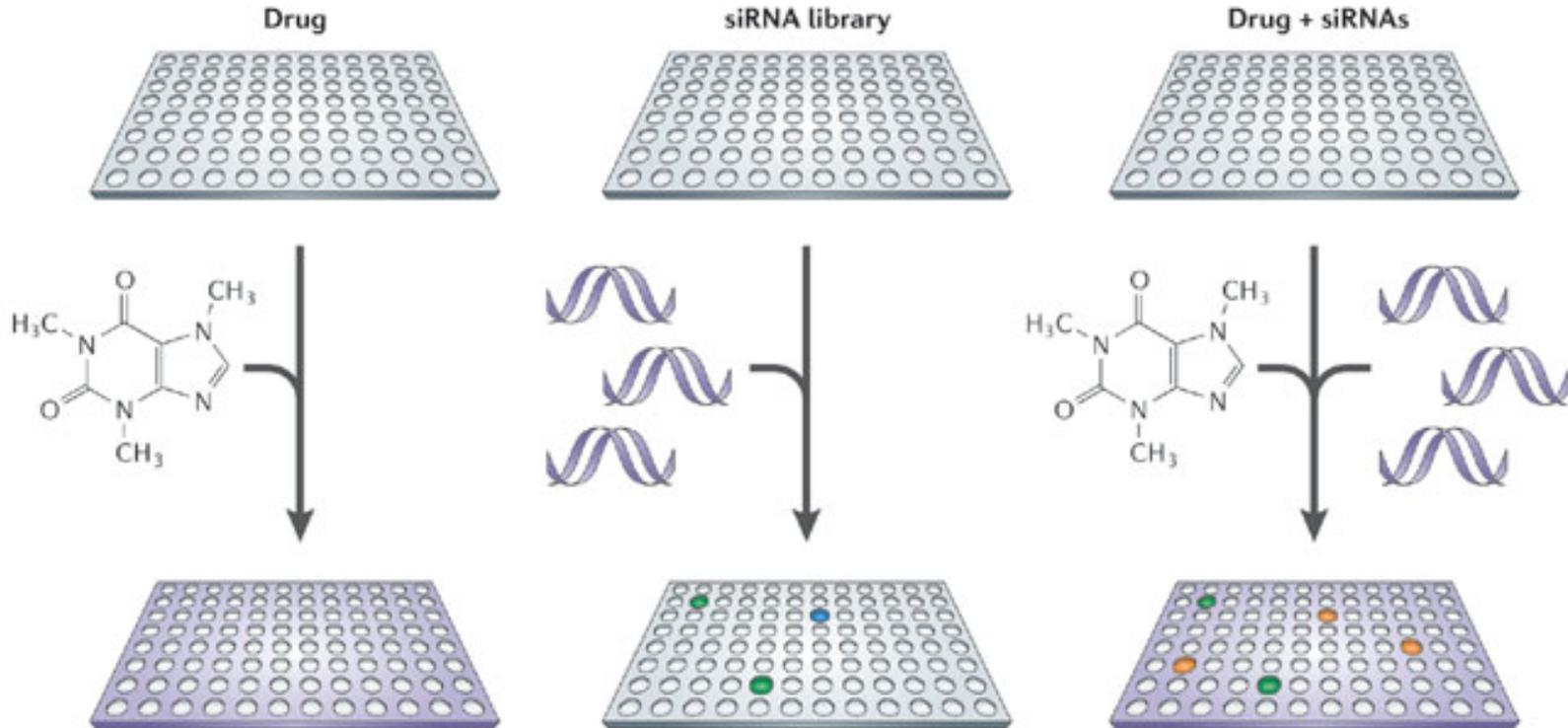


Constellation "Orion the Hunter"
Source: Wikipedia

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Genome-wide phenotype analysis

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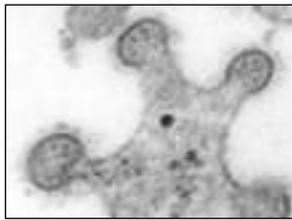
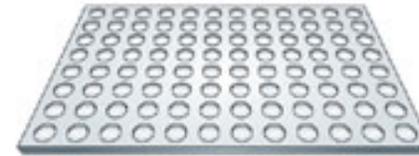
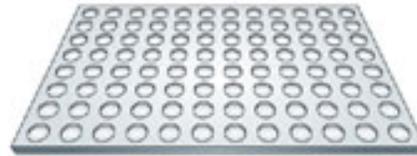
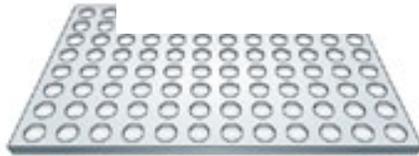
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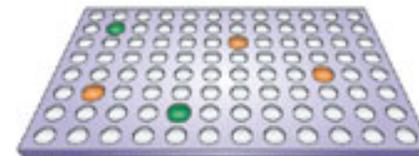
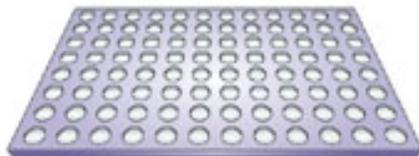
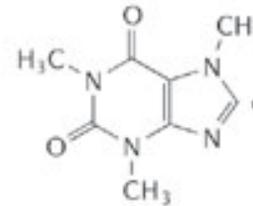
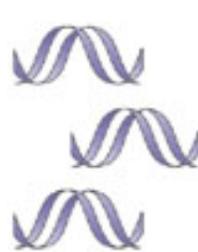
RSV

siRNA library

Drug + siRNAs



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“ALN-RSV01”



in Phase II
clinical trials

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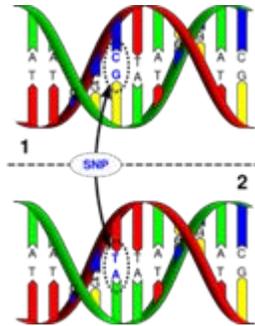
Summary



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Arrays for

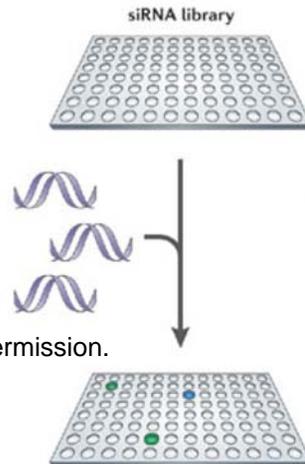
1. Genotyping: SNP ID --> AMD



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2. Phenotyping: TRC --> RSVs



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