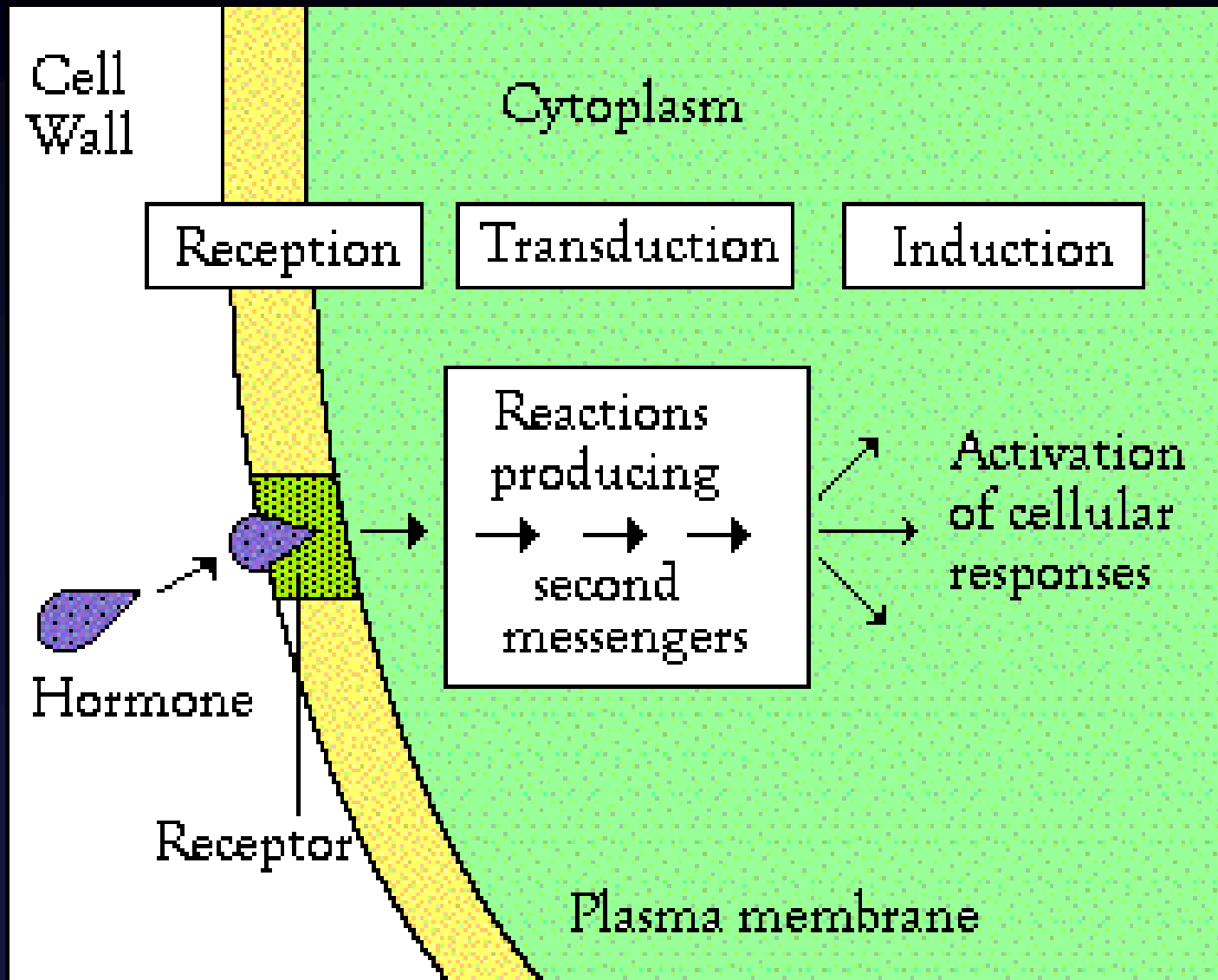
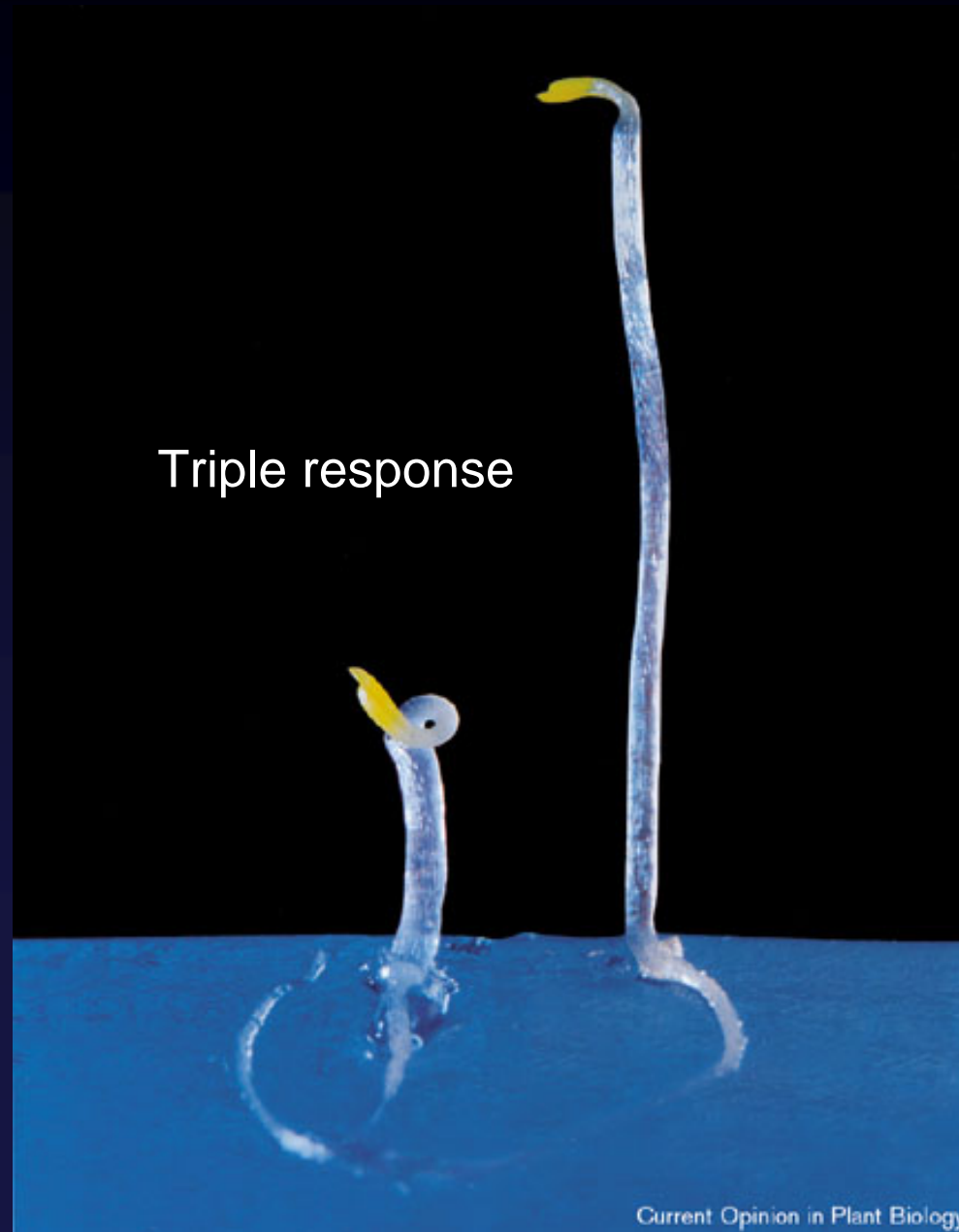


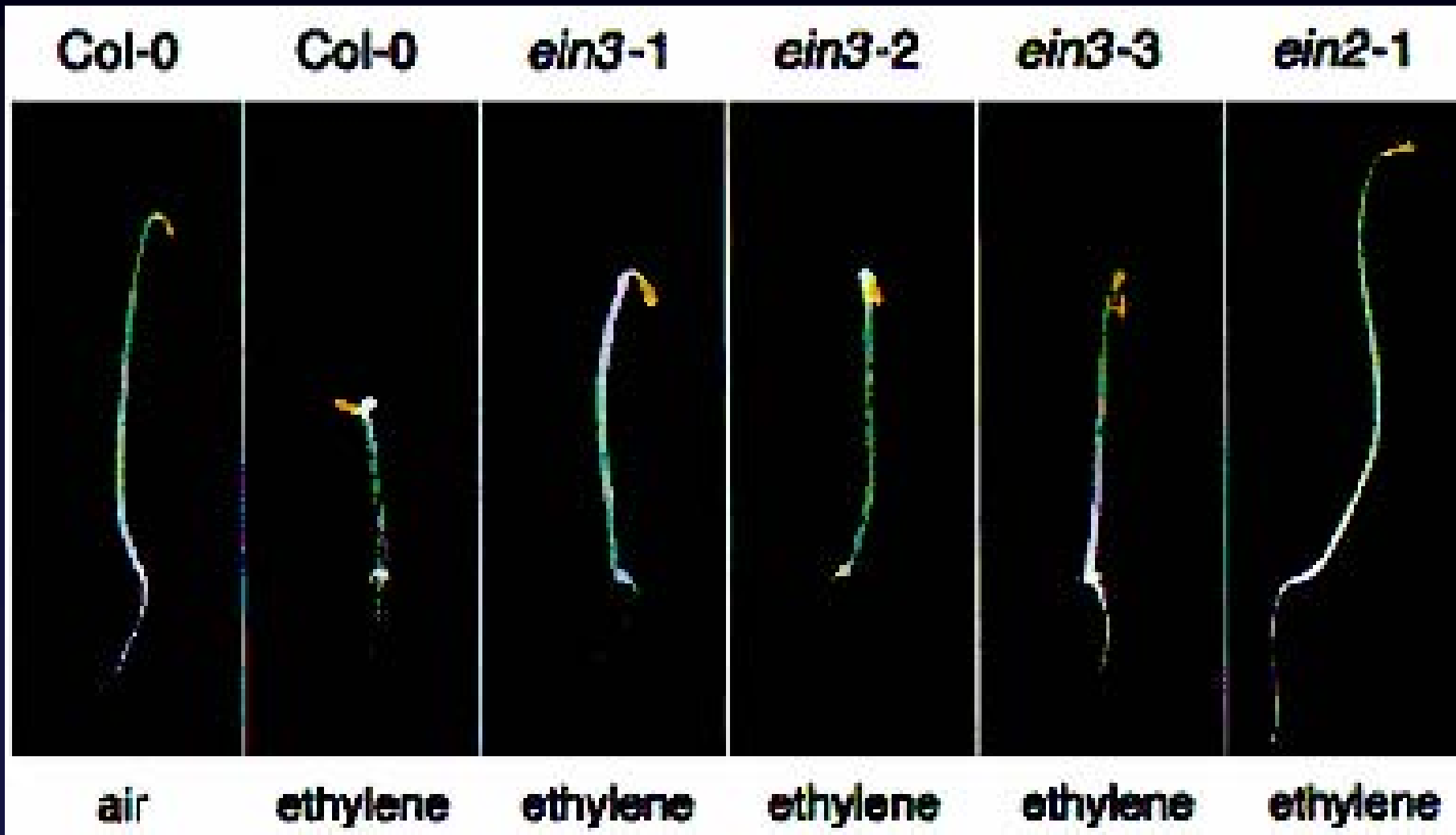
Signal Transduction



Mutant screens for ethylene pathway genes



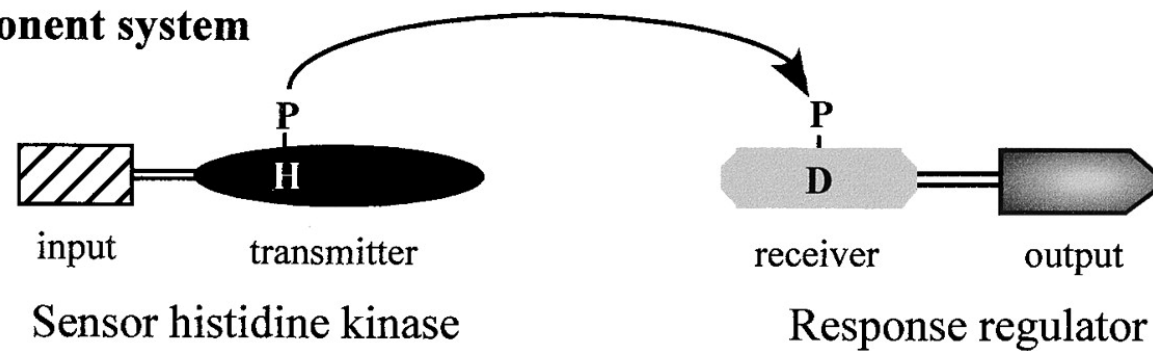
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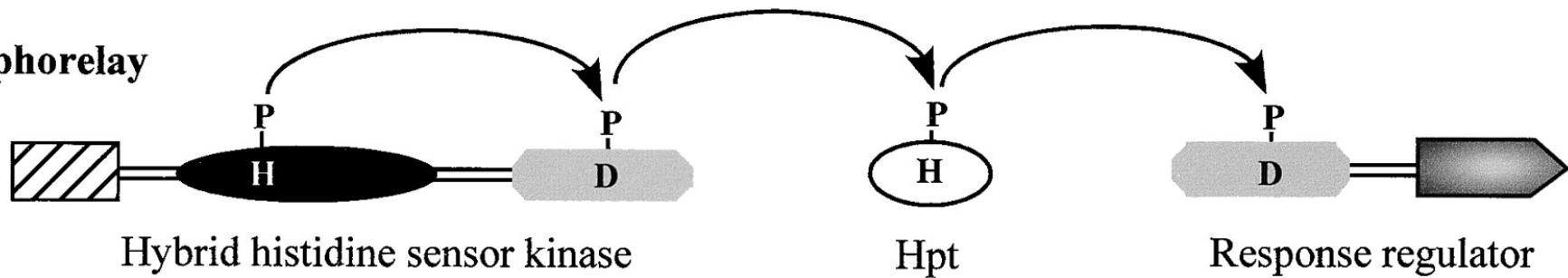
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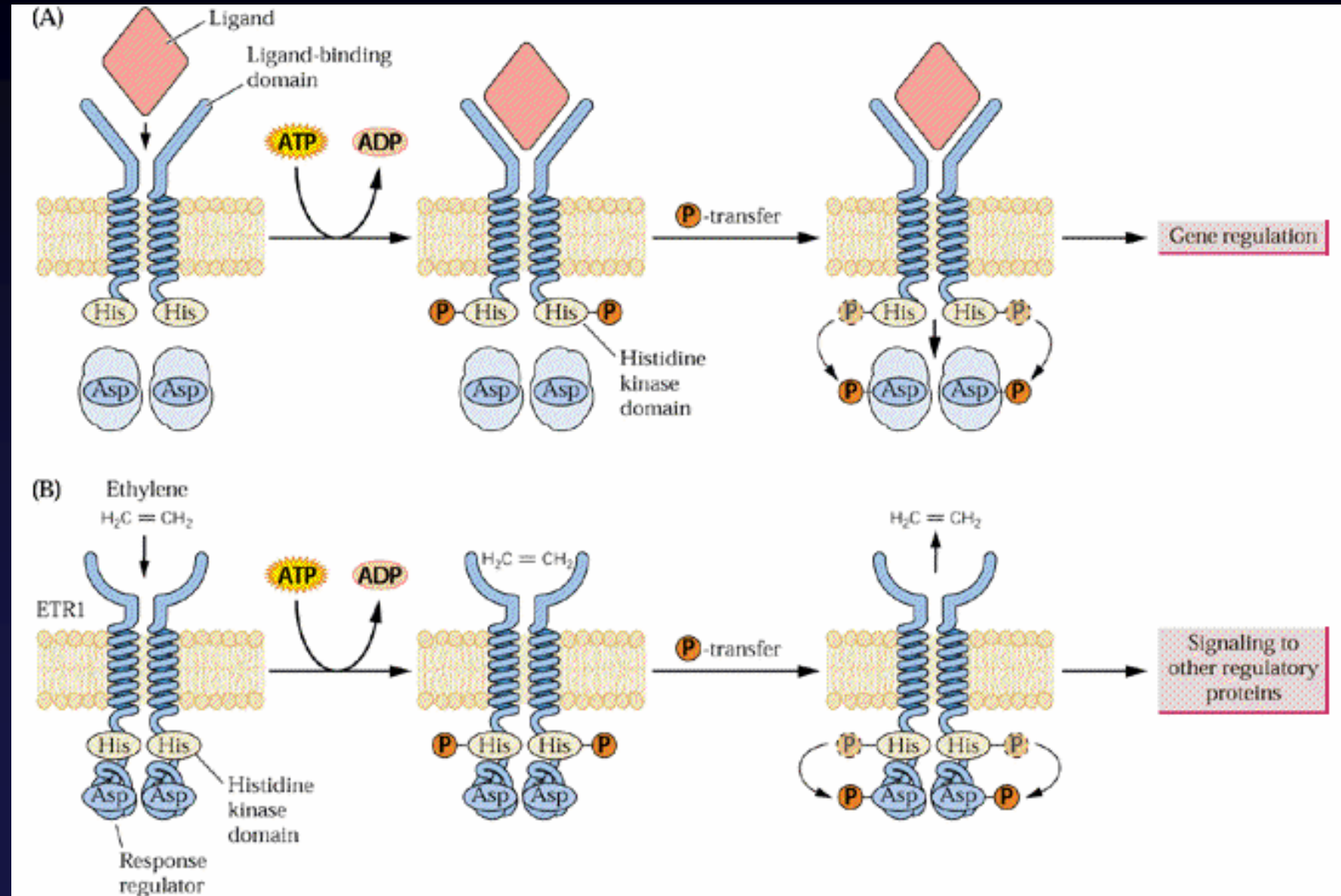


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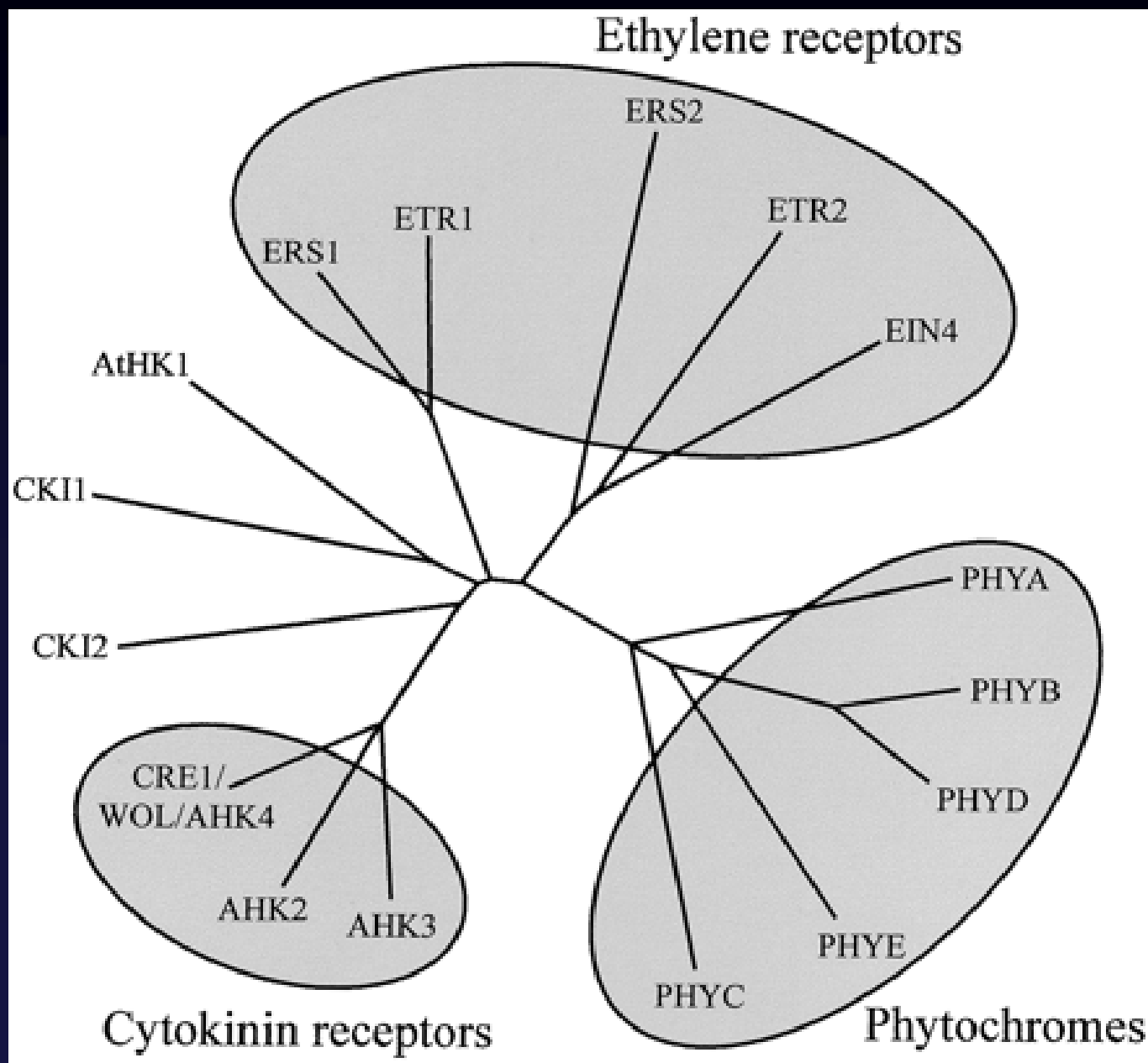
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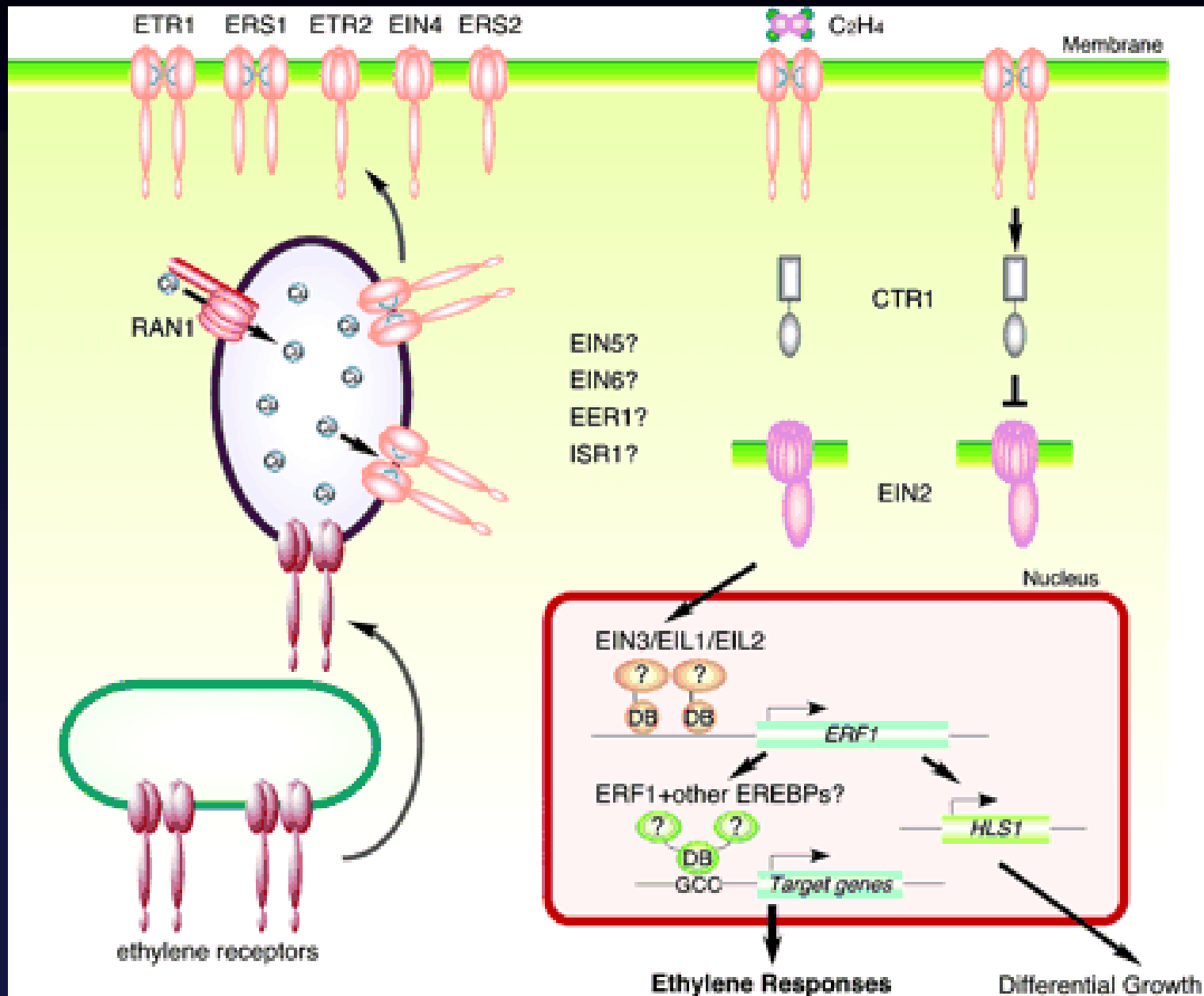
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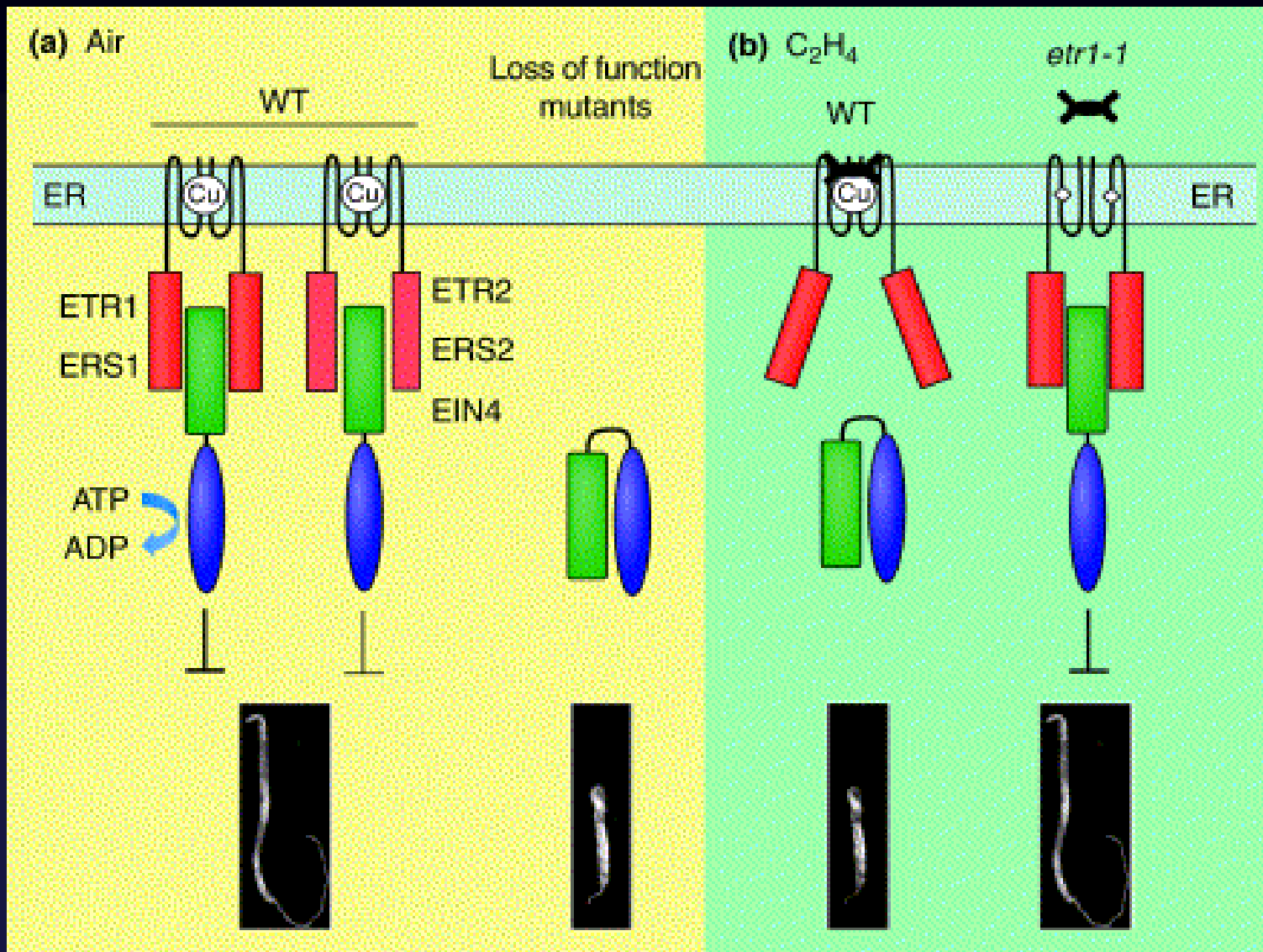
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Genetic interactions



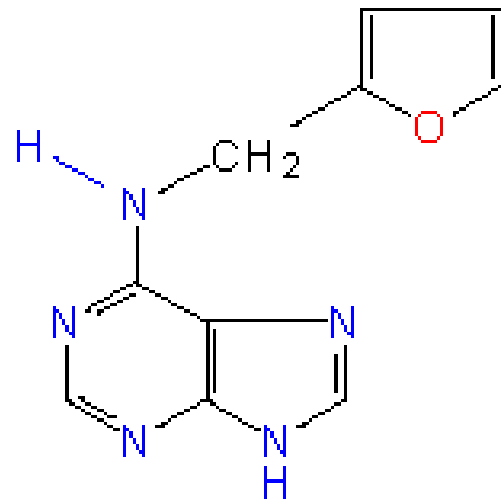
CYTOKININ – what is important?

Synthesis – *IPT* genes

Degradation – CK-oxidase

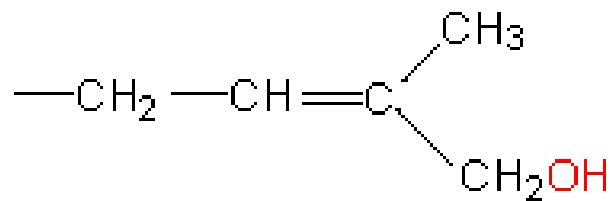
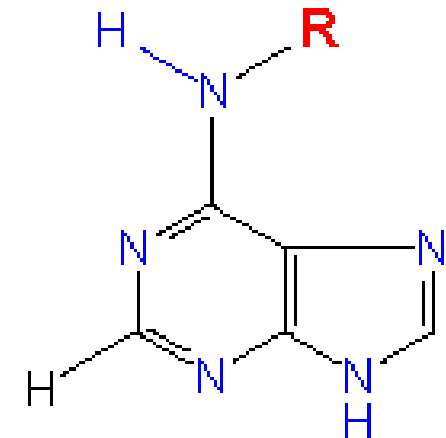
Signal transduction – forward genetics
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CK regulated genes

Cytokinins

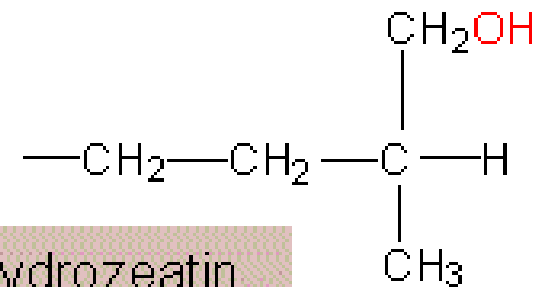


Kinetin:
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Cytokinin
(Grundstruktur)

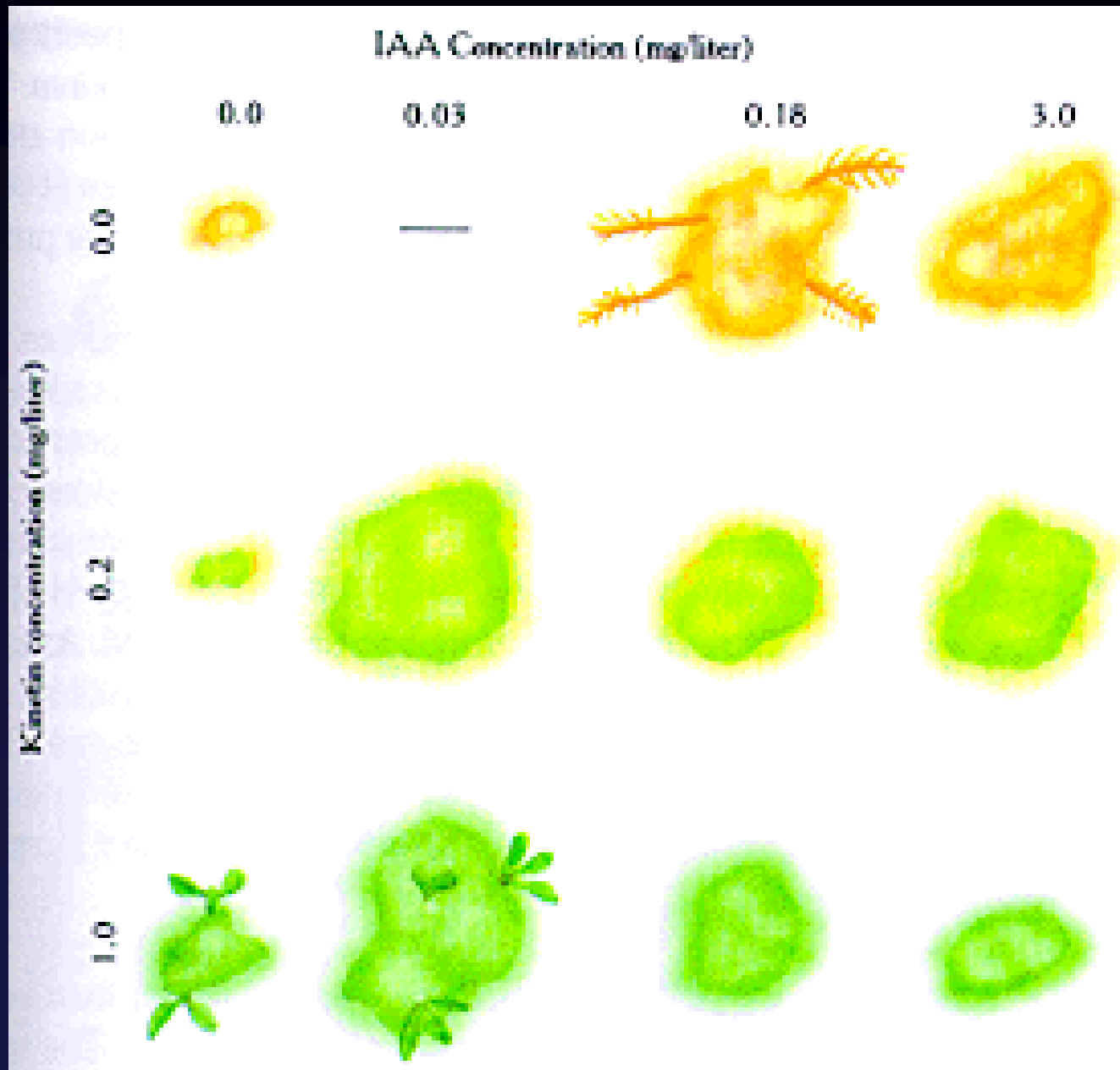


Zeatin



Dihydrozeatin

Effect of CK on regeneration



Manipulating of CK levels by overexpression of bacterial *IPT*

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III

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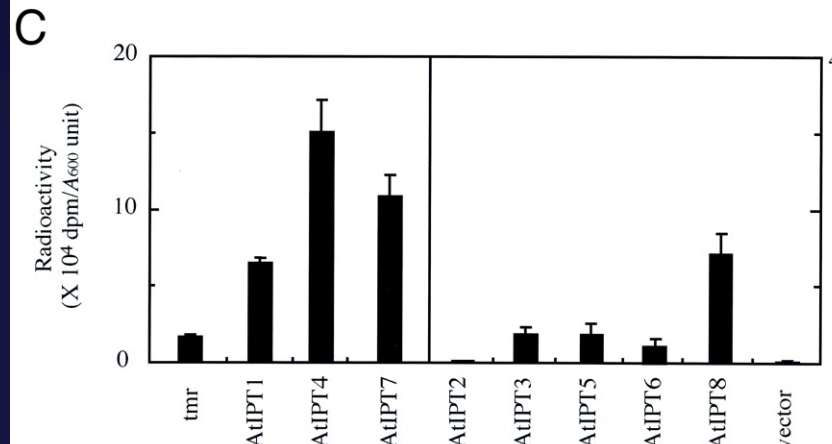
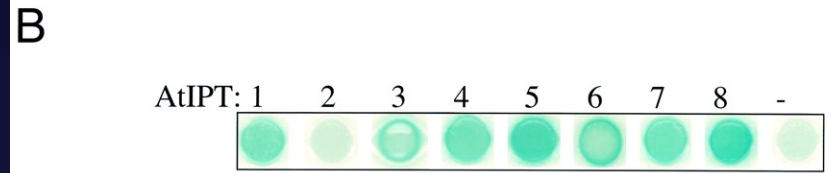
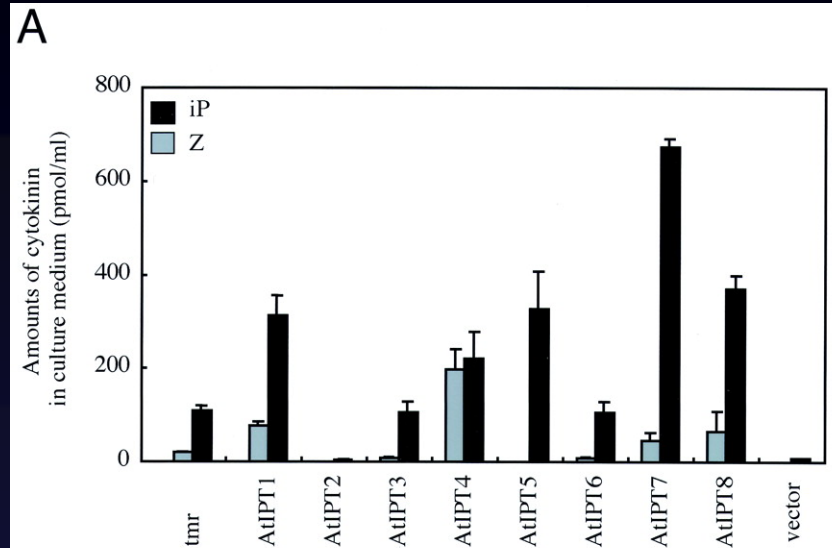
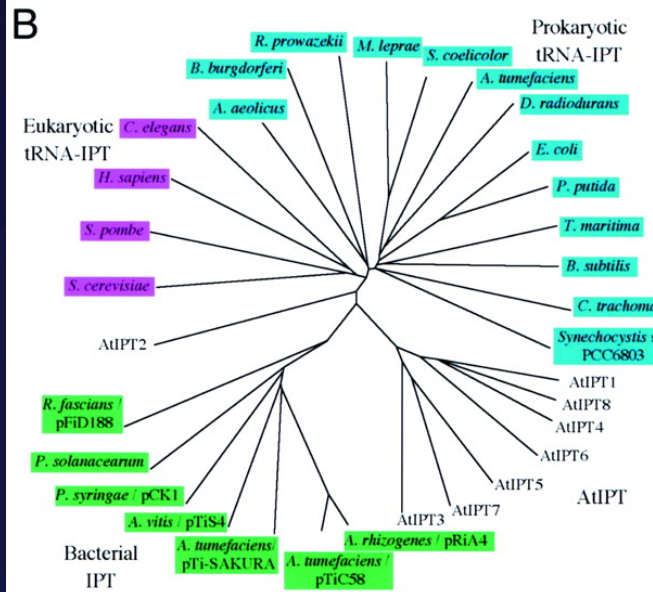
Isolation of Arabidopsis IPTs

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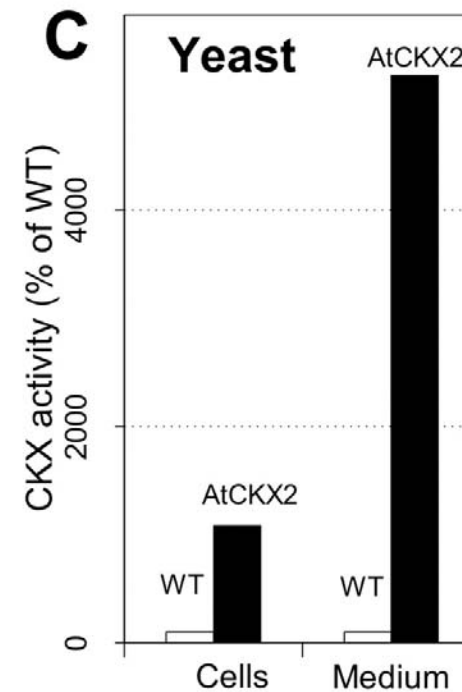
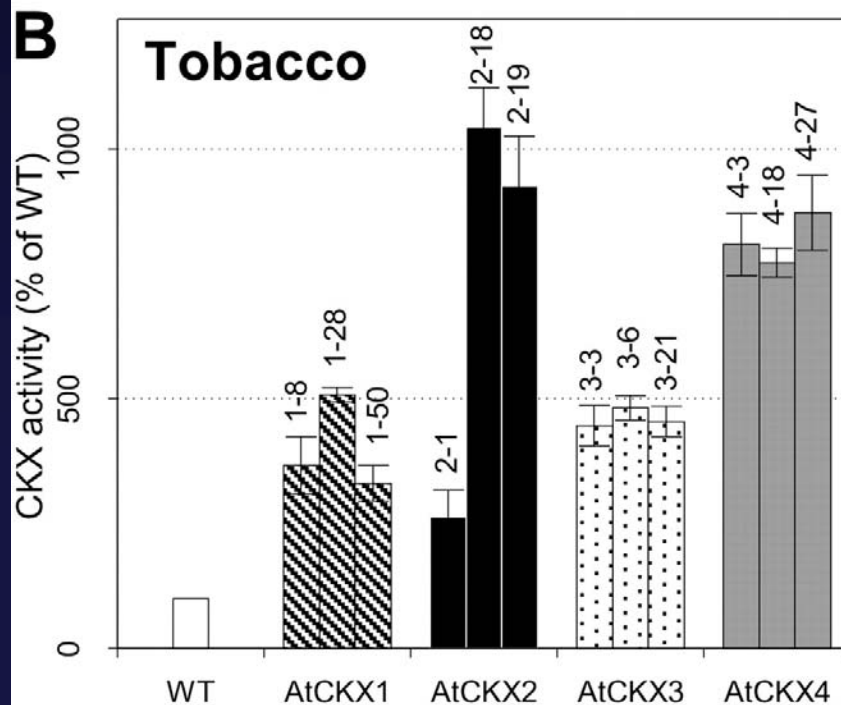
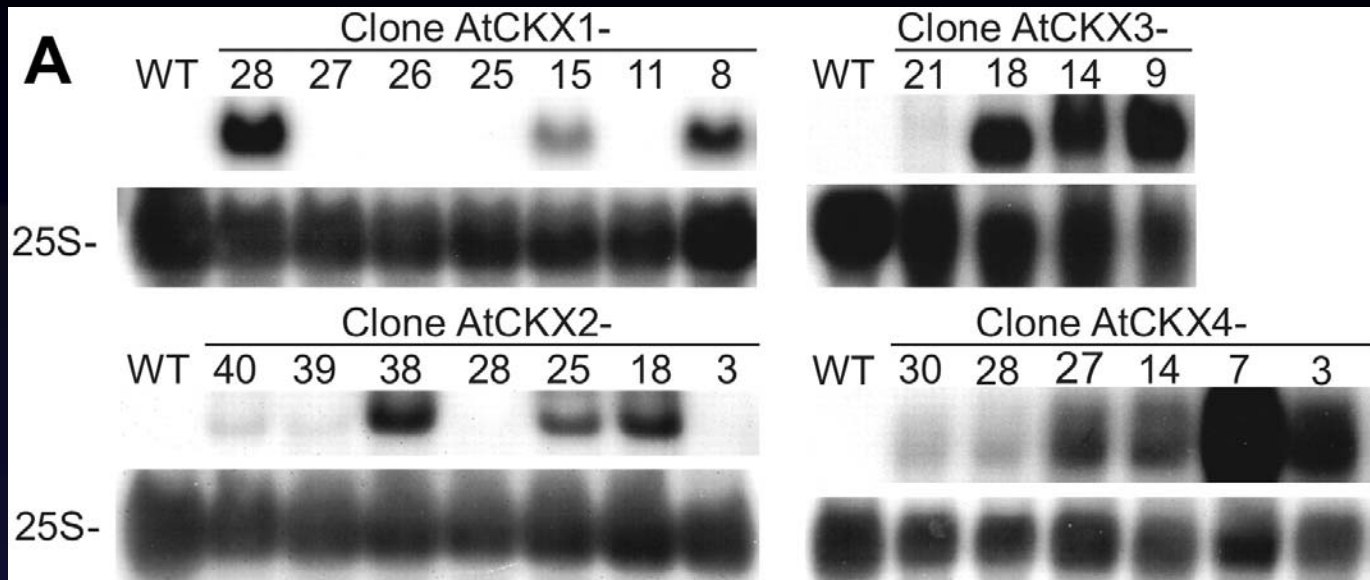
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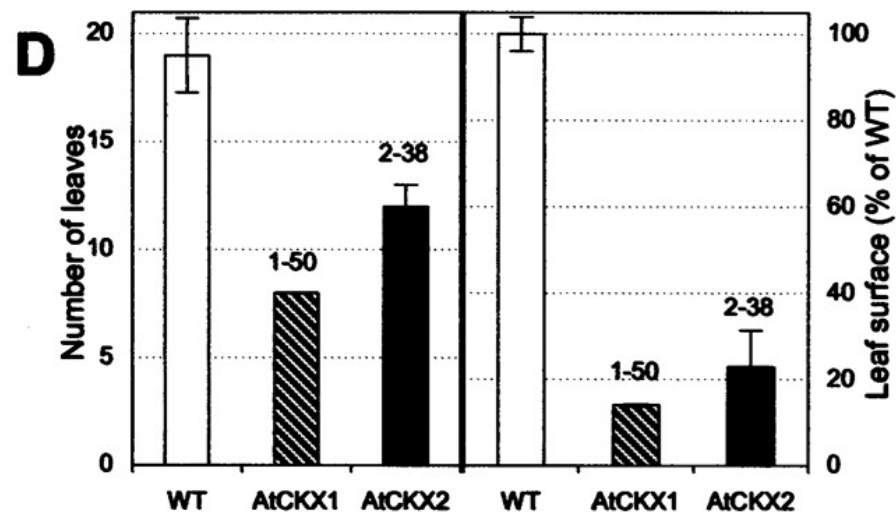
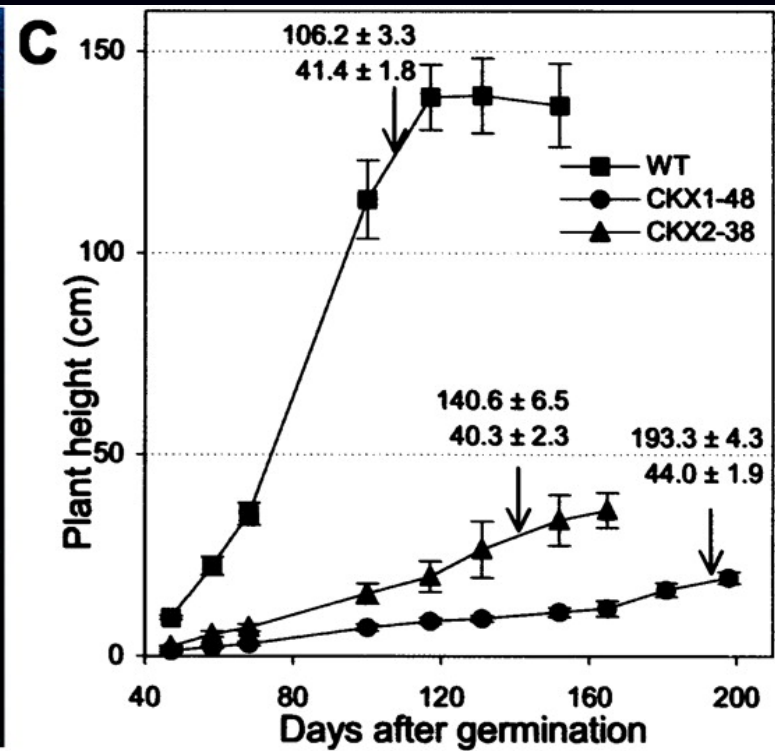
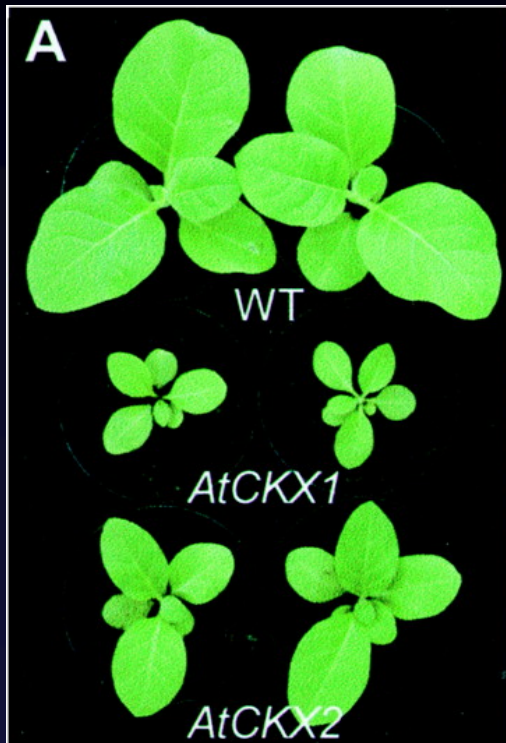
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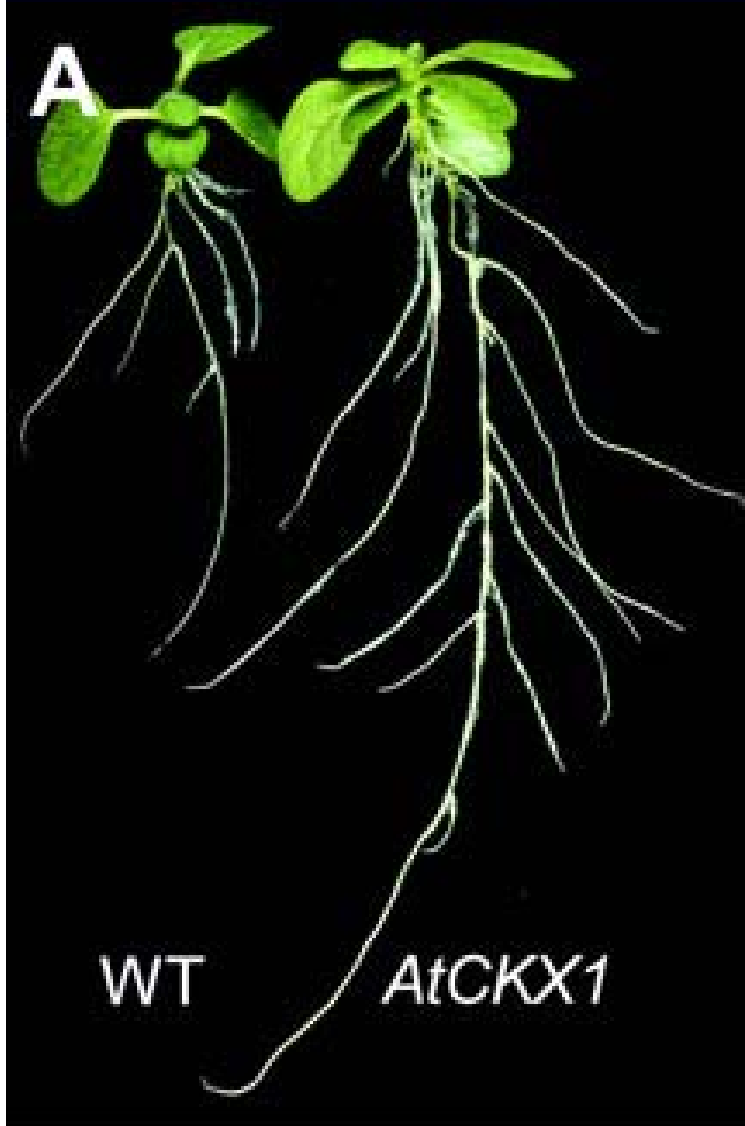
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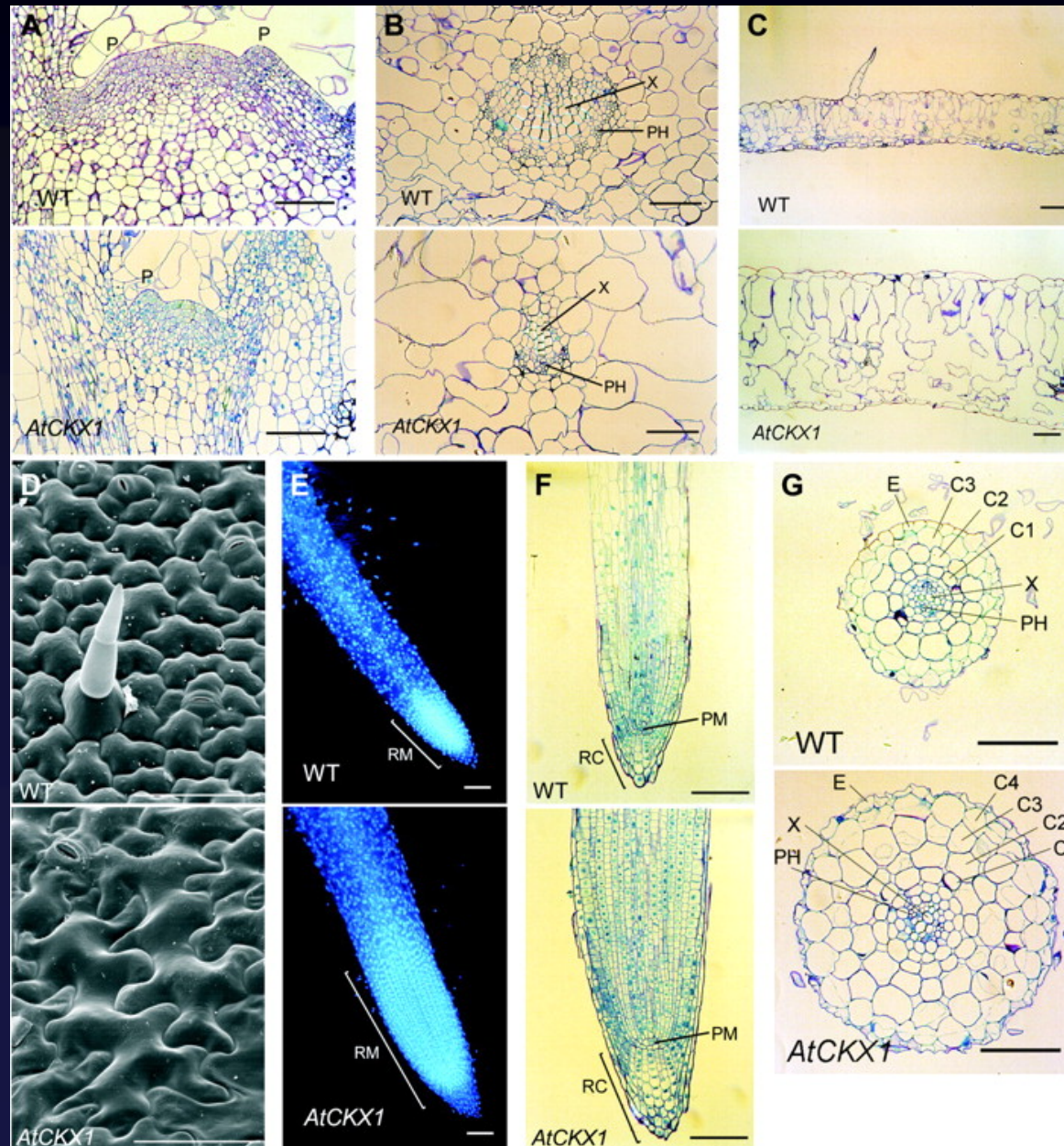
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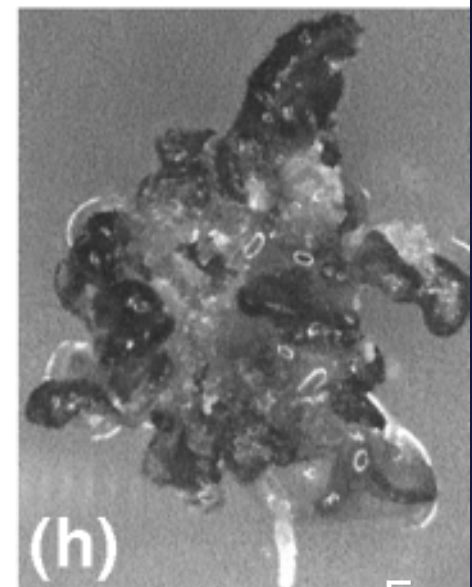
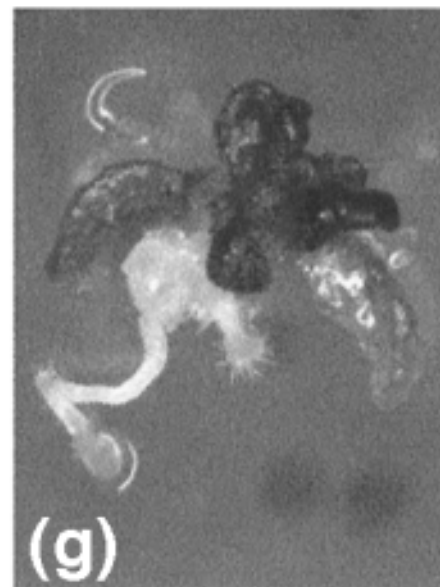
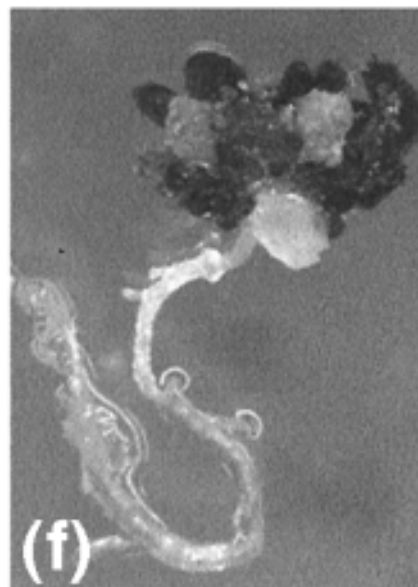
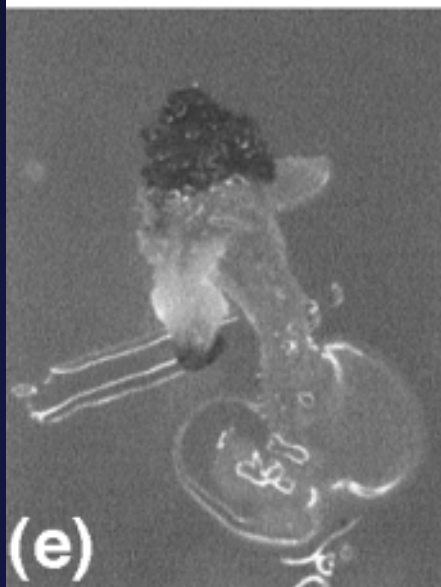
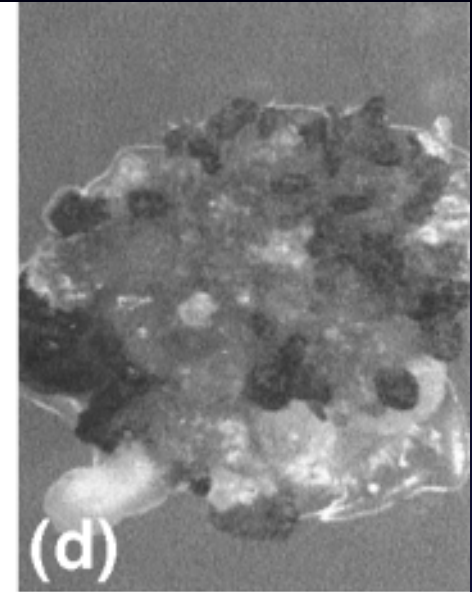
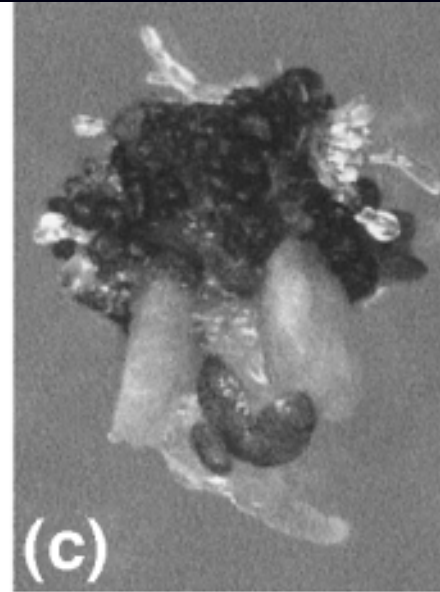
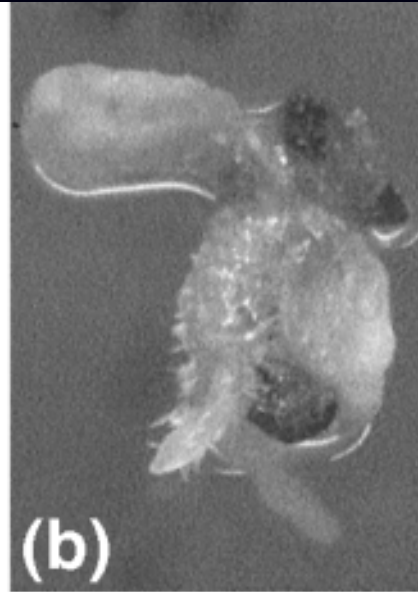
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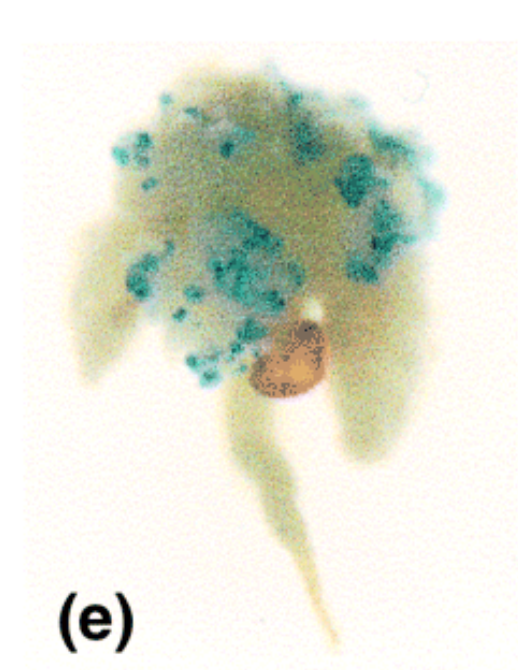
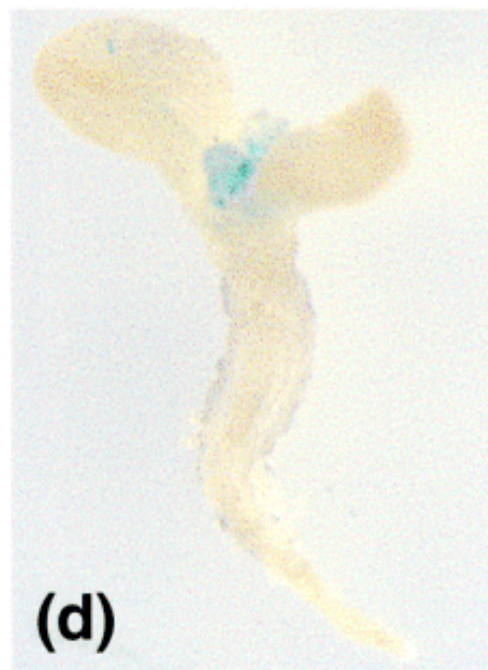
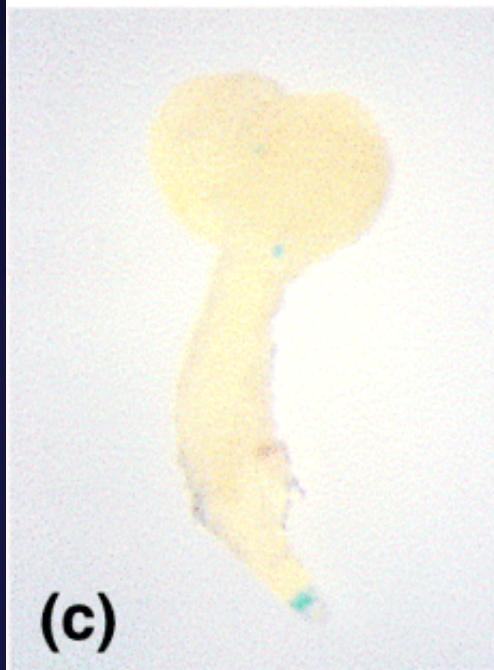
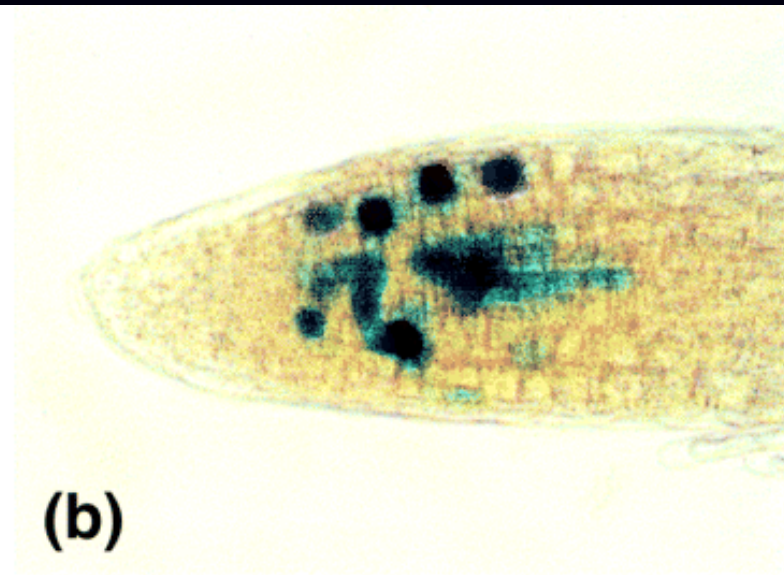
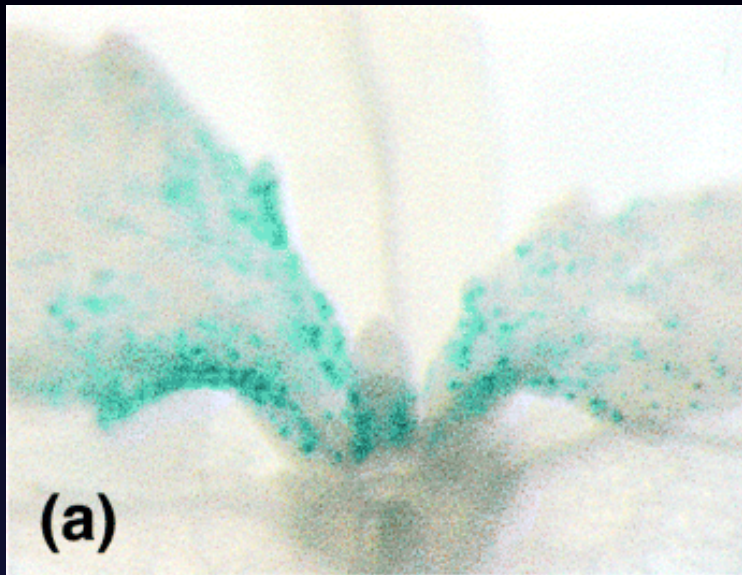
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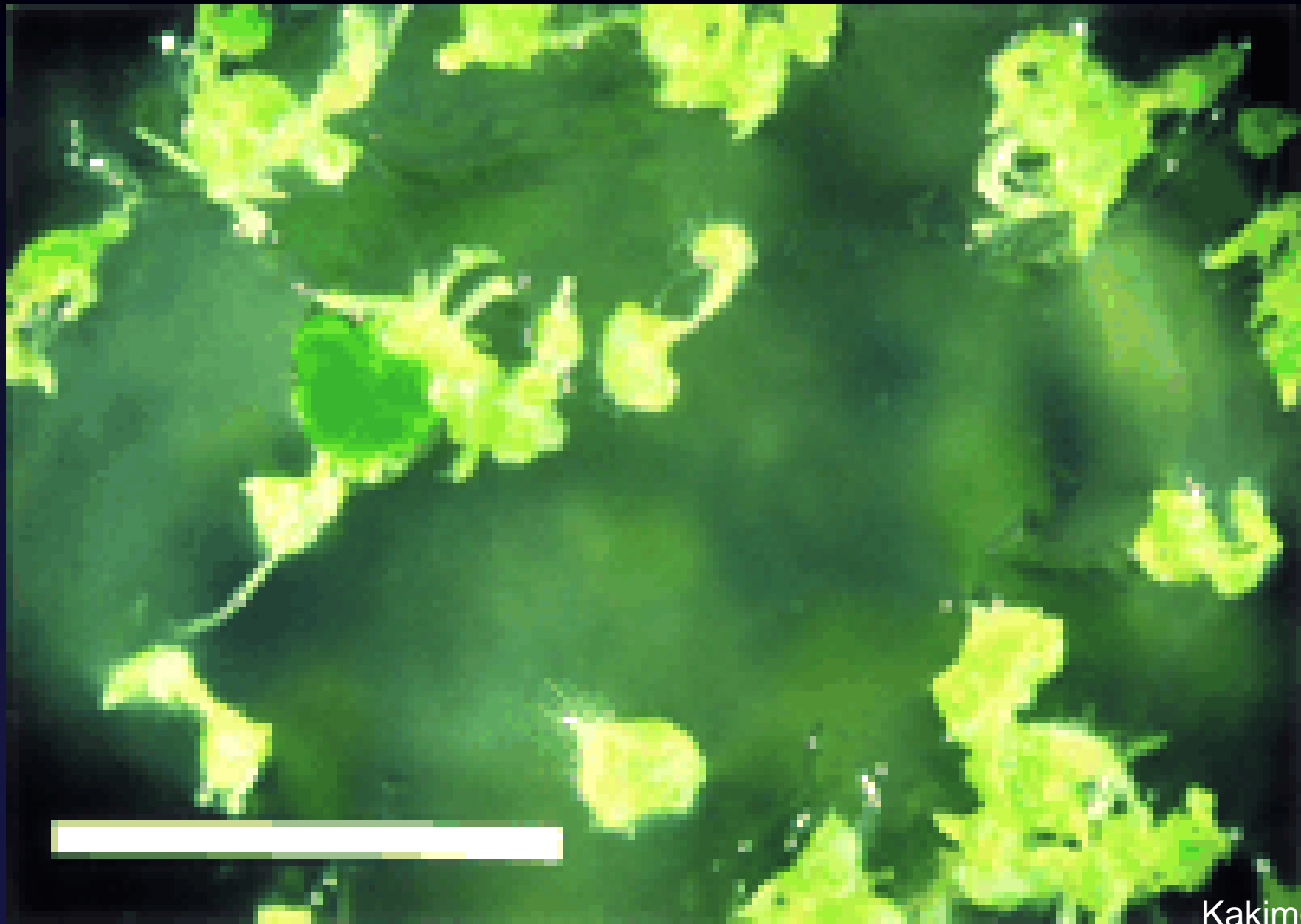
Tumor shoot development (*tsd*) and *pasticcino* (*pas*) mutants



Use of *CyclinB::GUS* for cell division monitoring

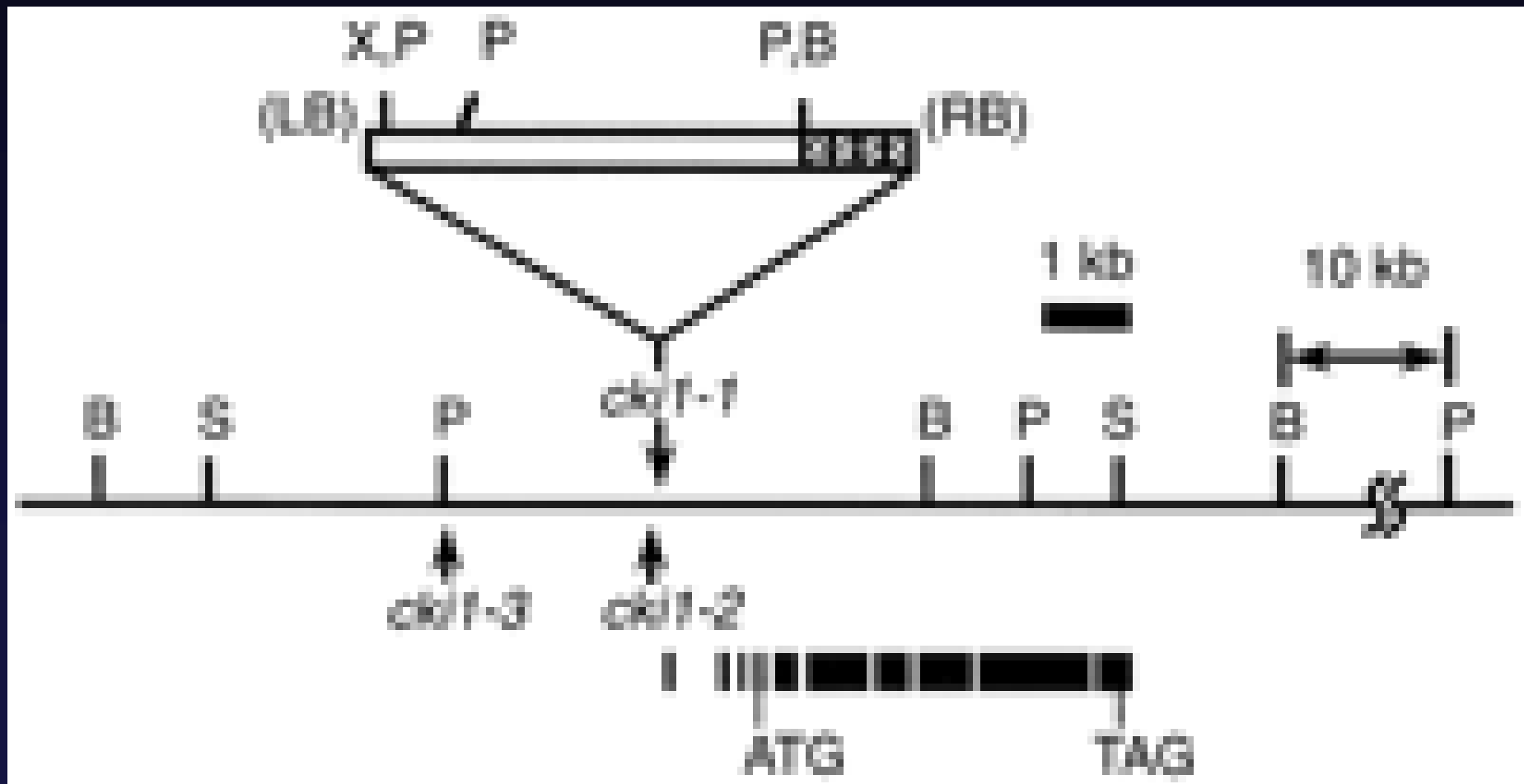


Isolation of CK independent (*cki1*) mutant

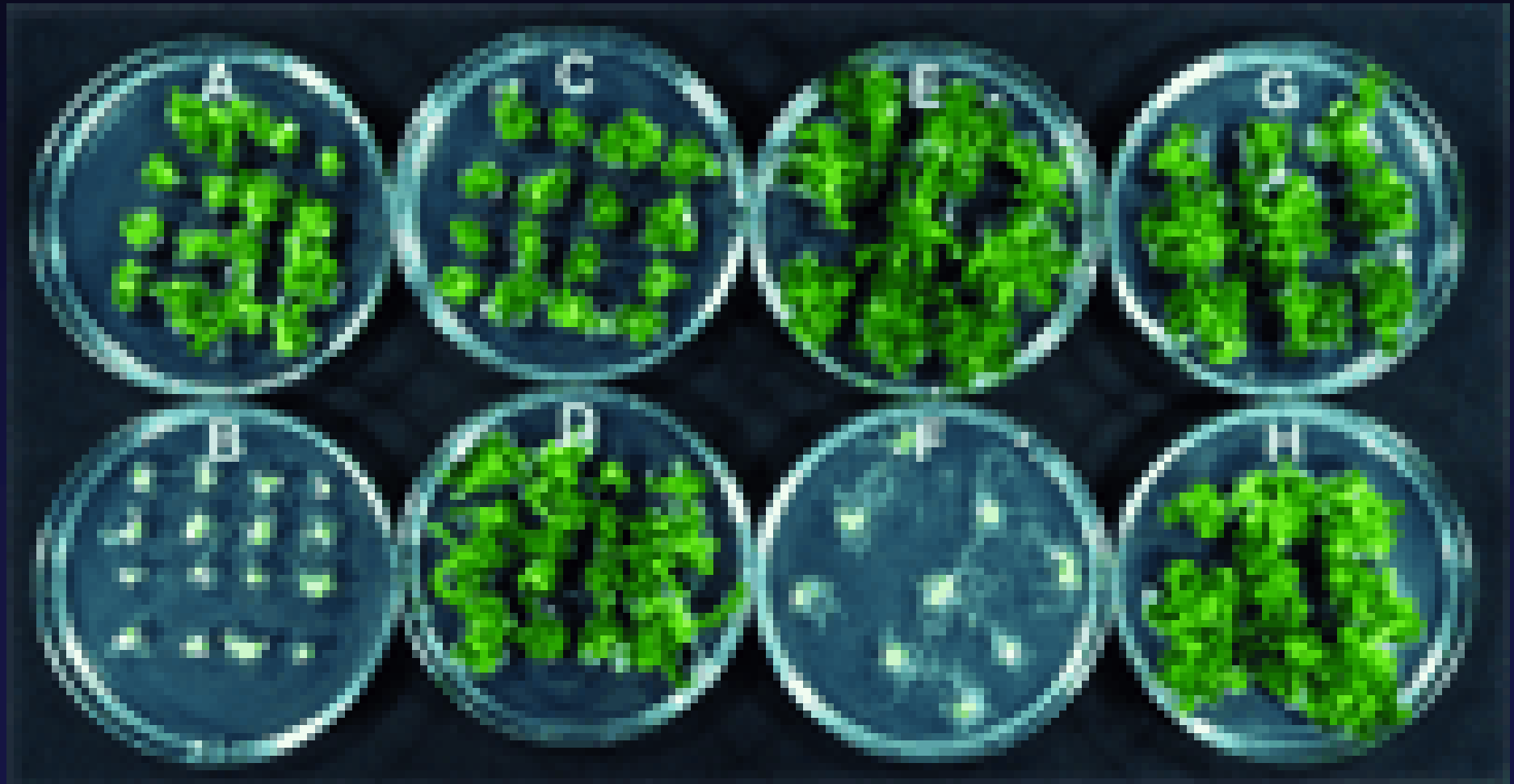


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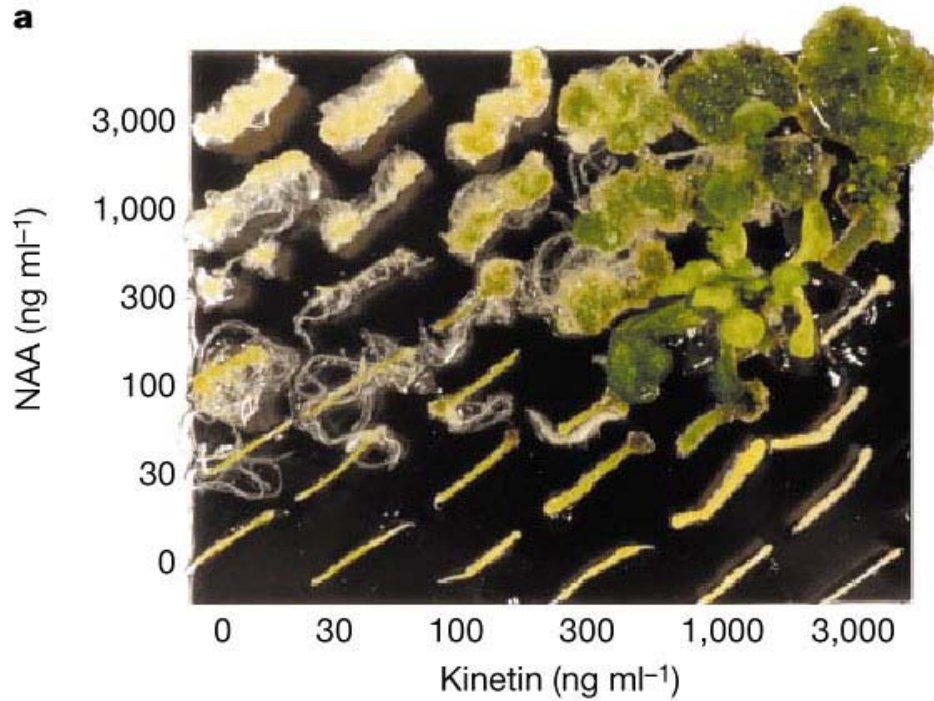
Identification of *CKI1* gene



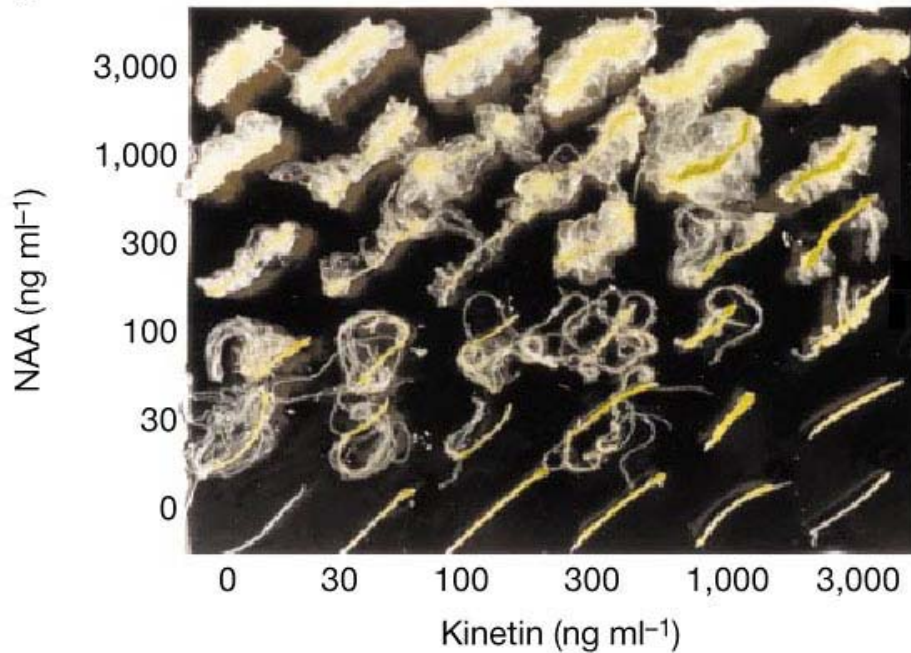
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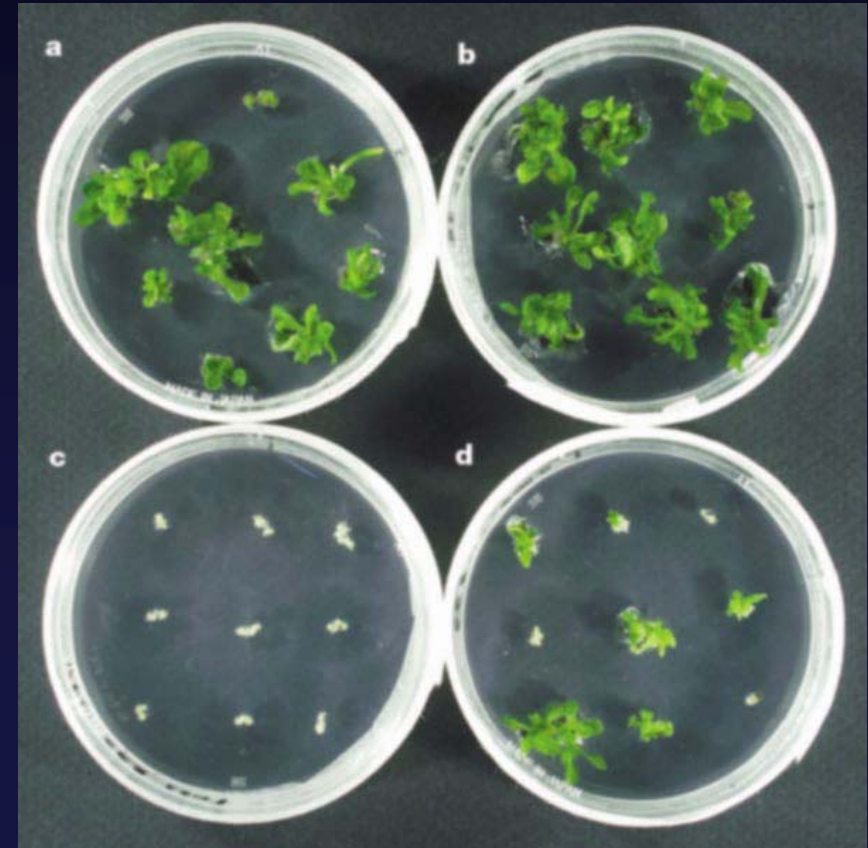
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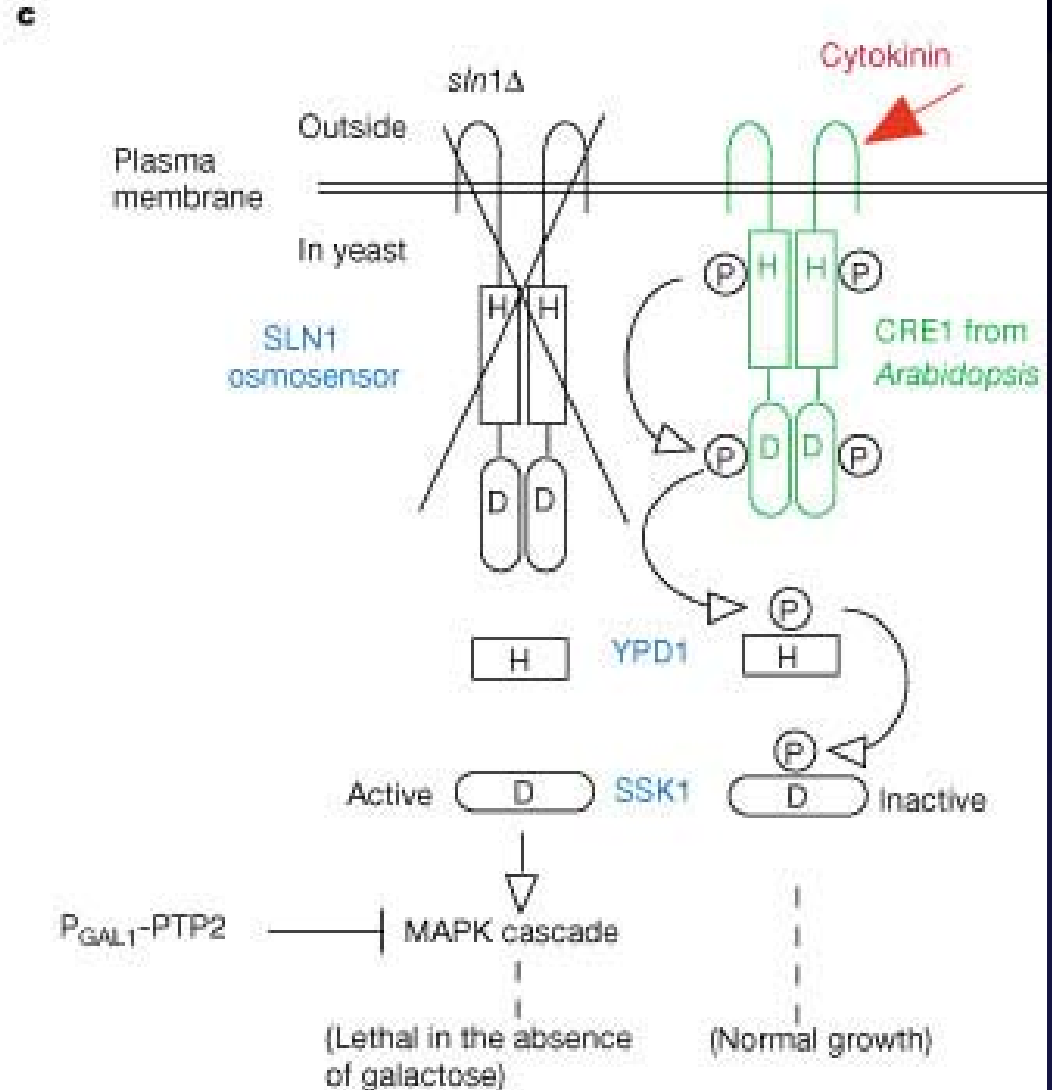
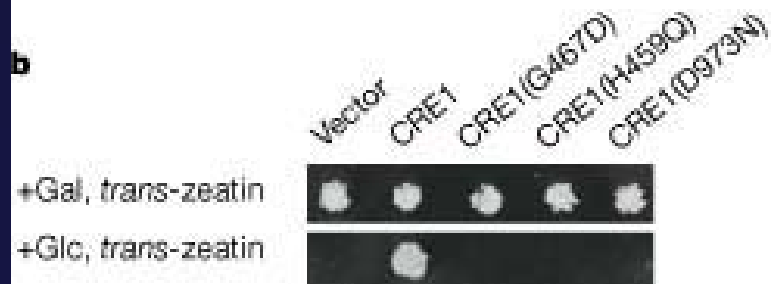
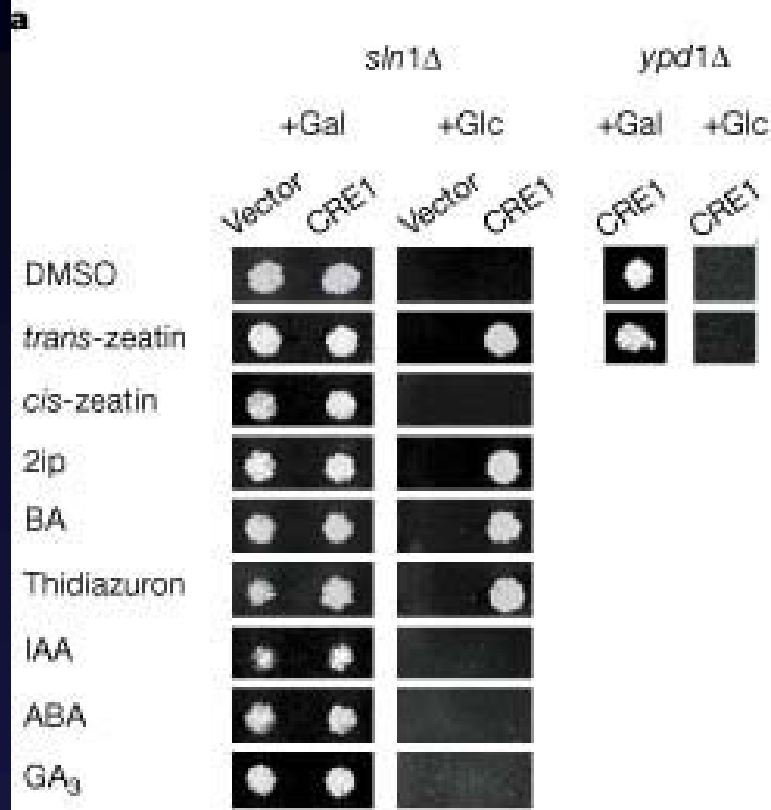
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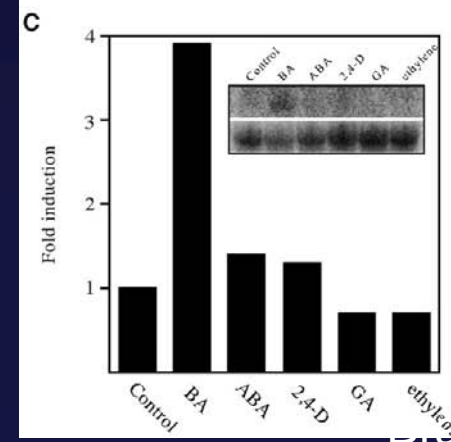
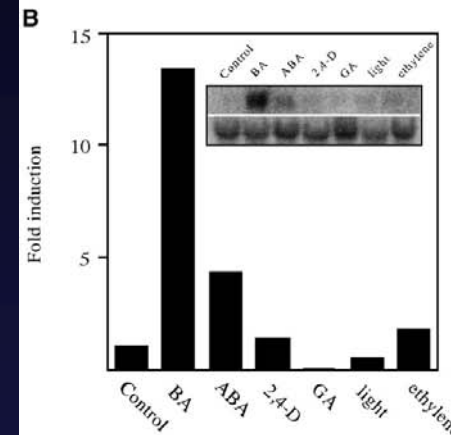
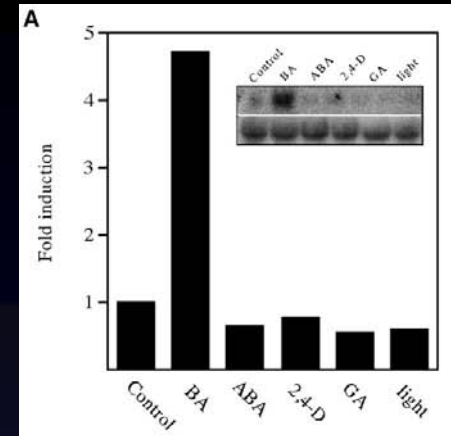
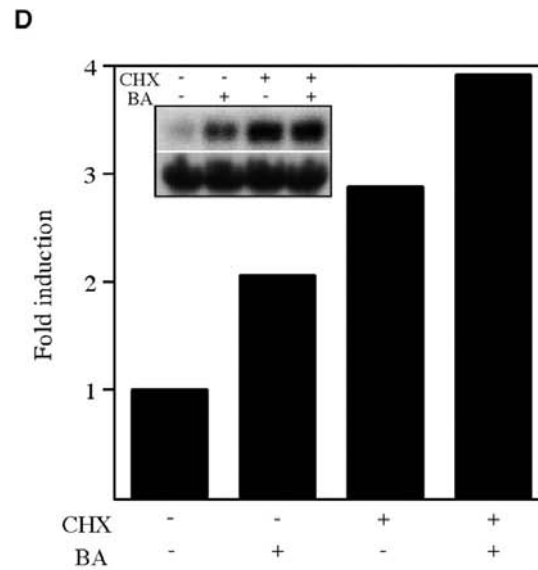
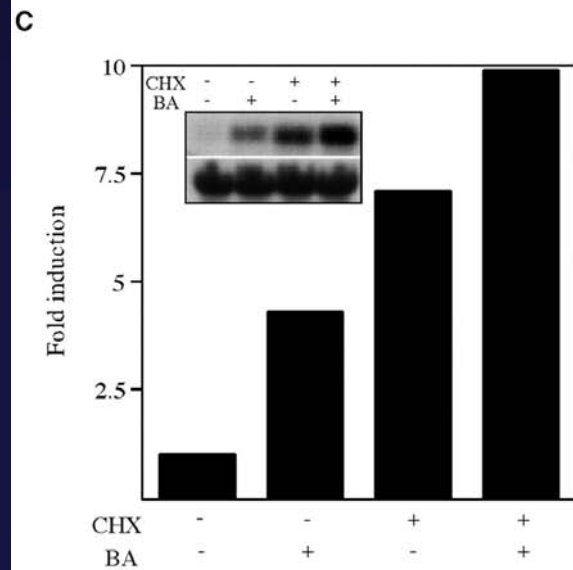
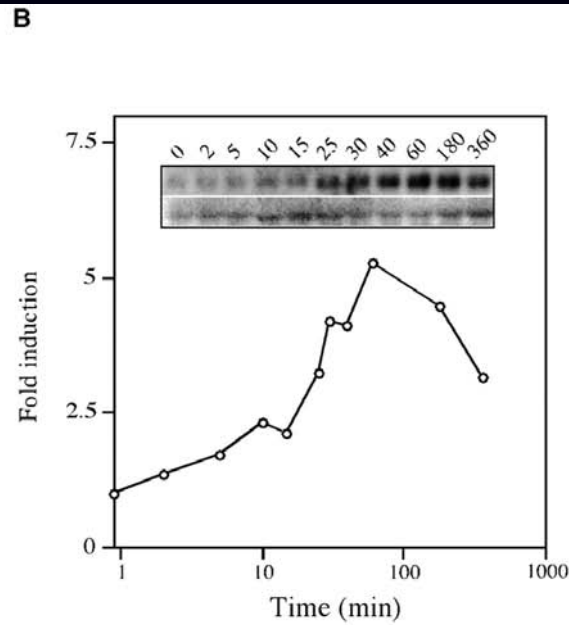
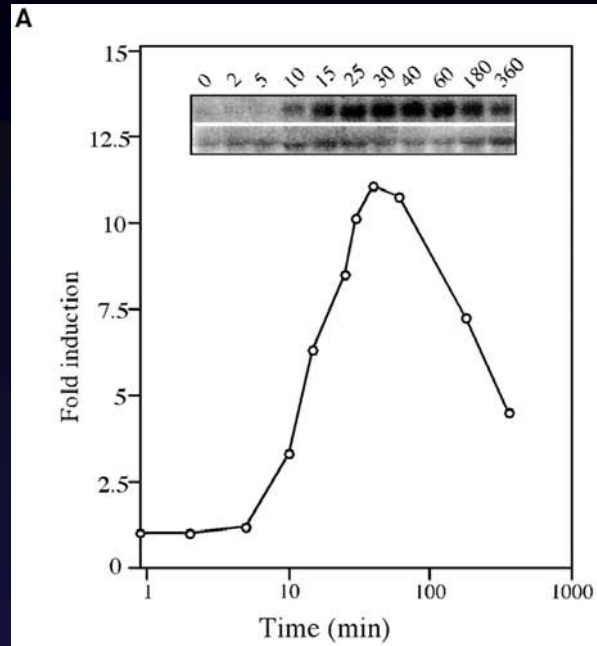
Next strike - CK response mutant (*cre1*)



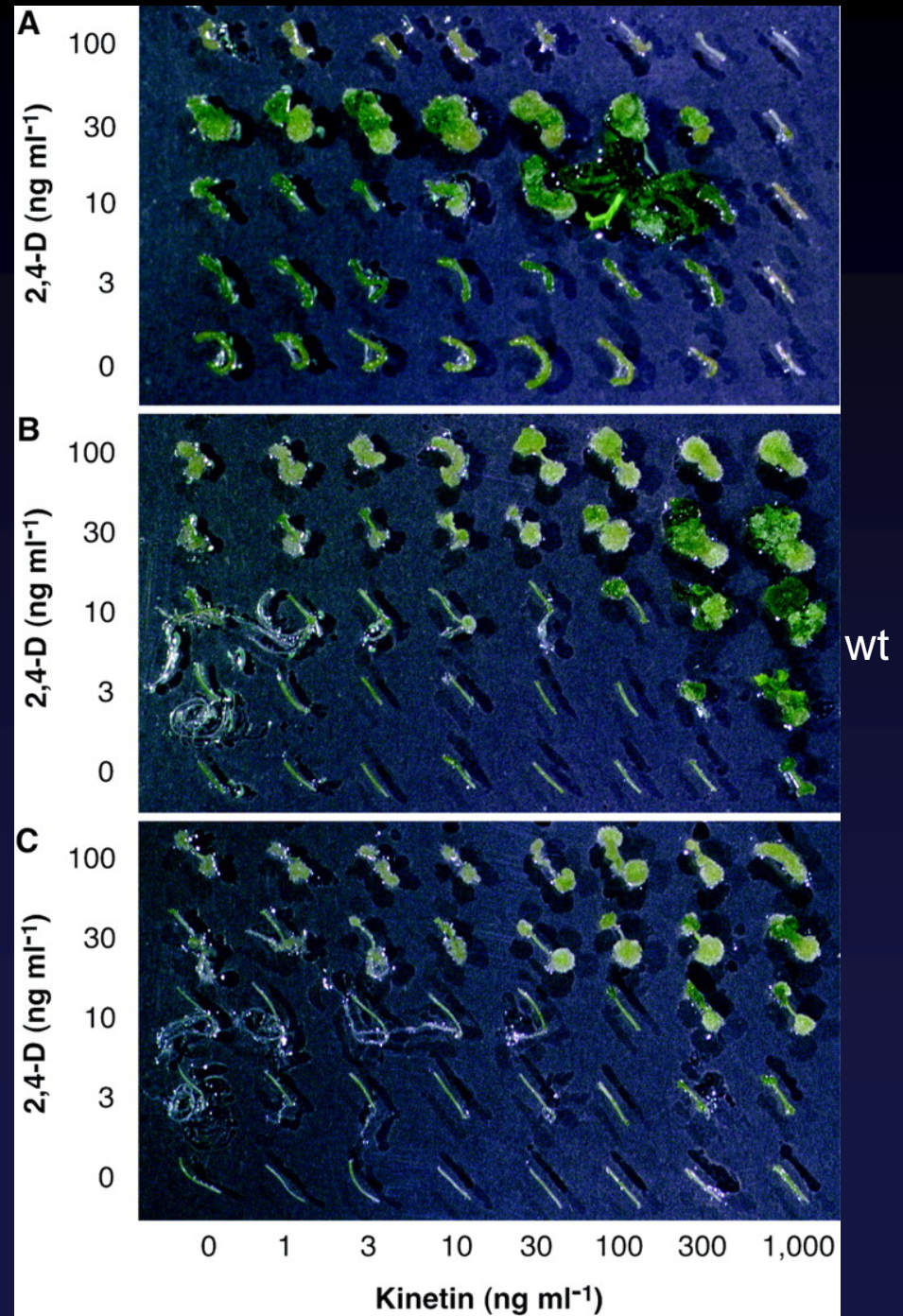
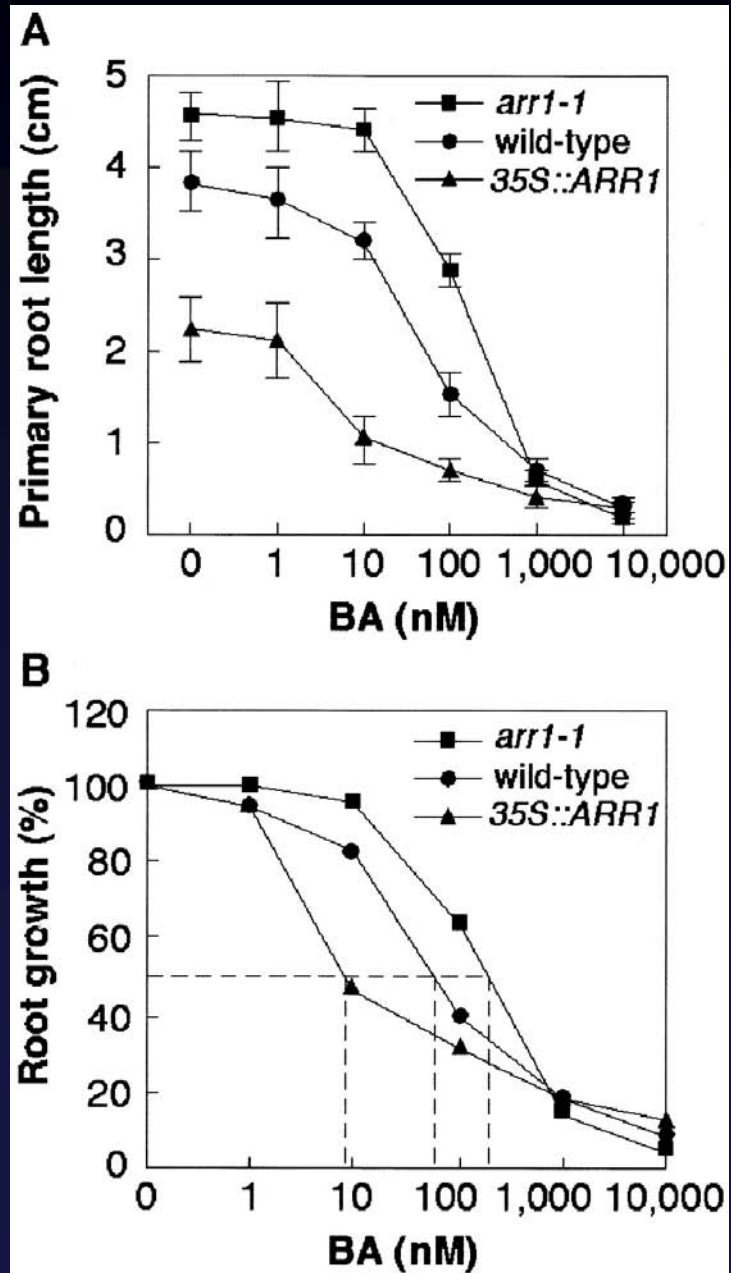
Piece of genius - complementation



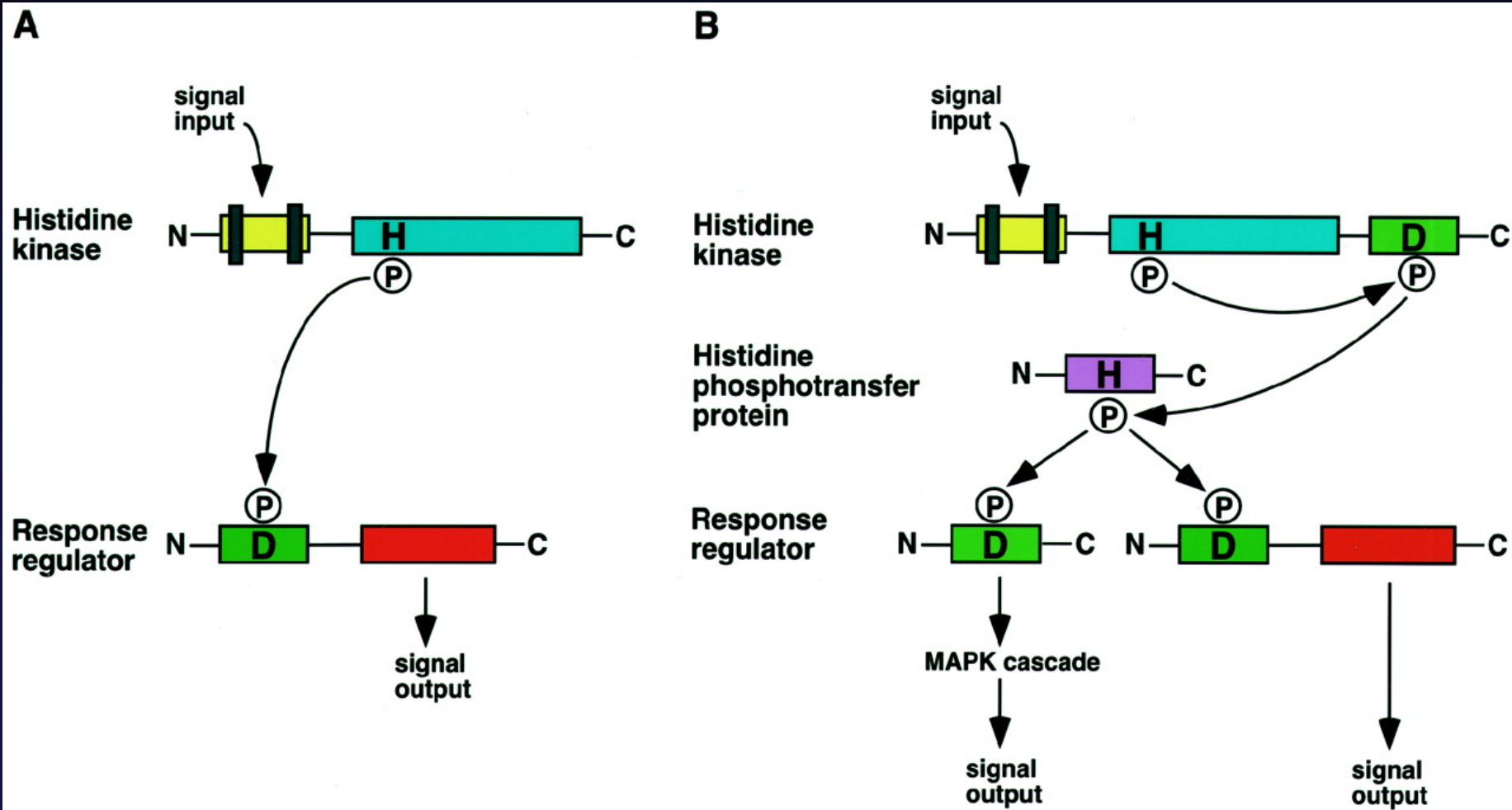
CK responsive genes - ARR2s



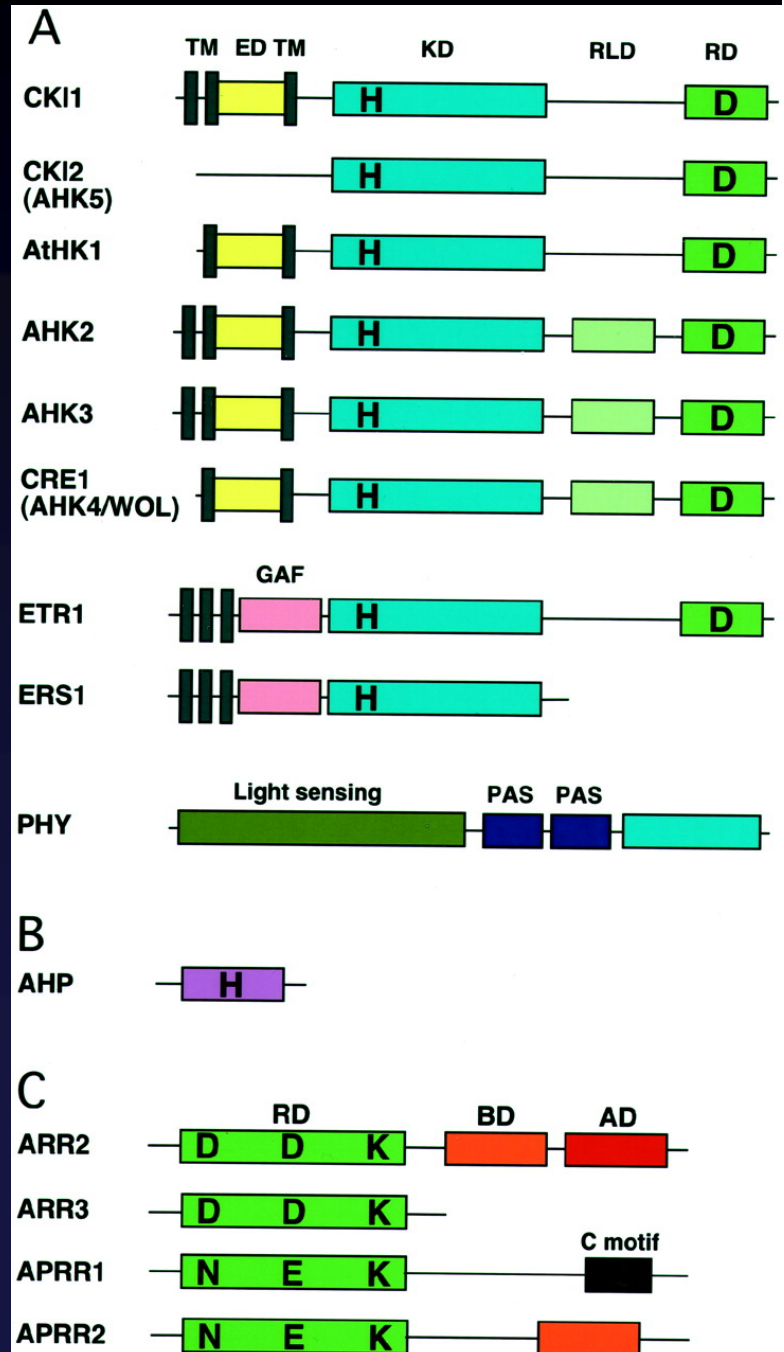
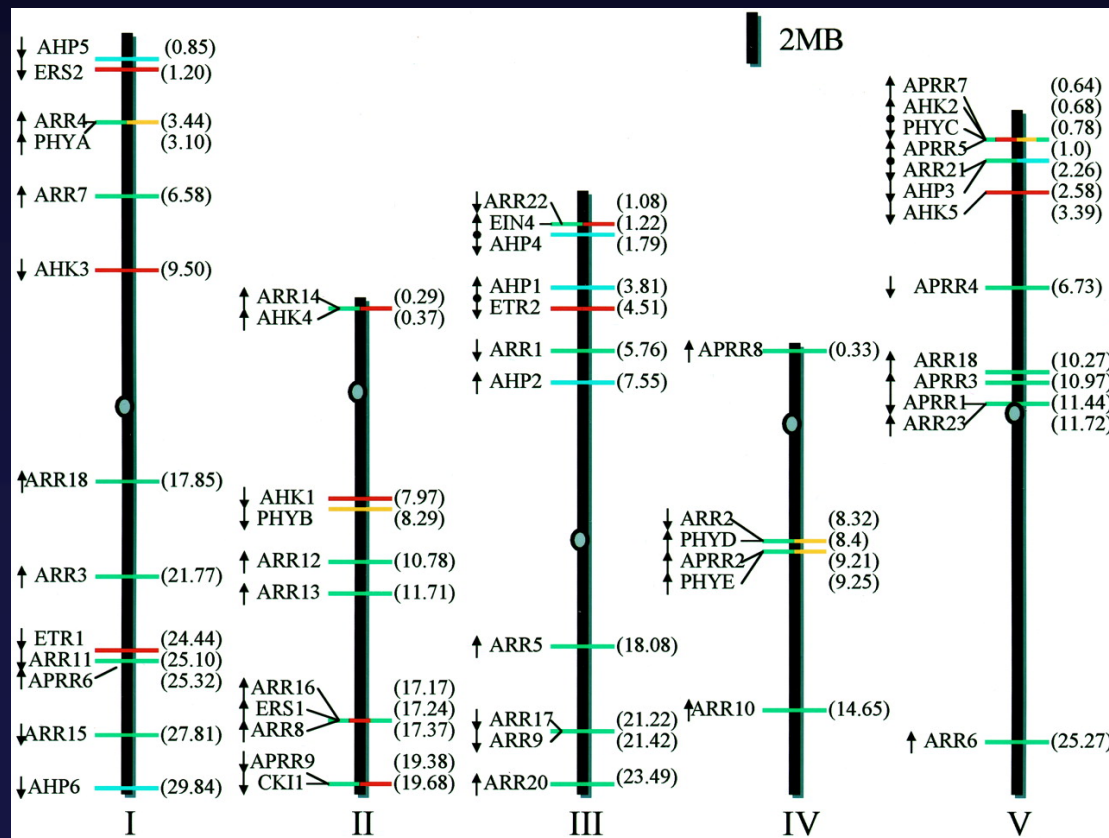
Phenotypes of *arrs*



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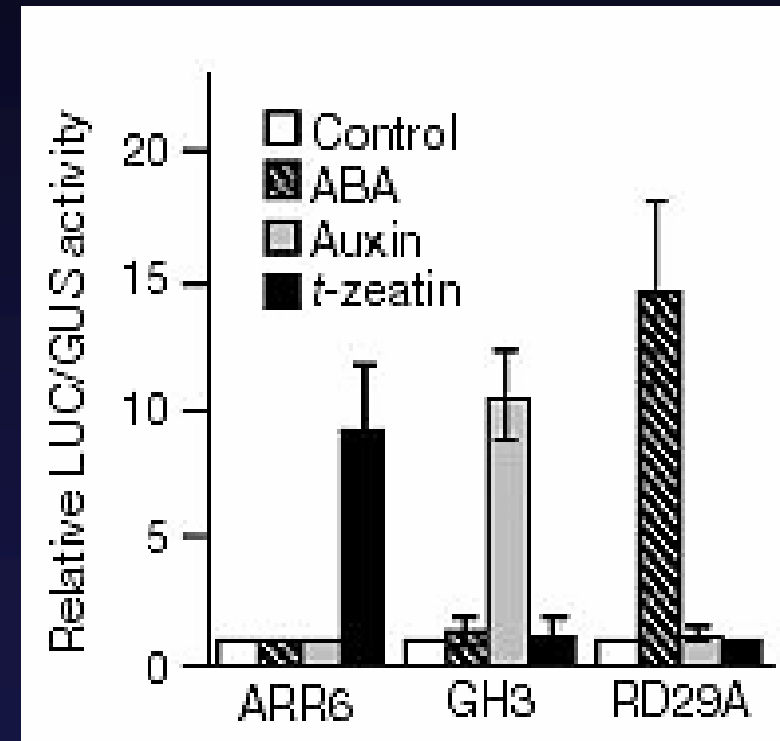
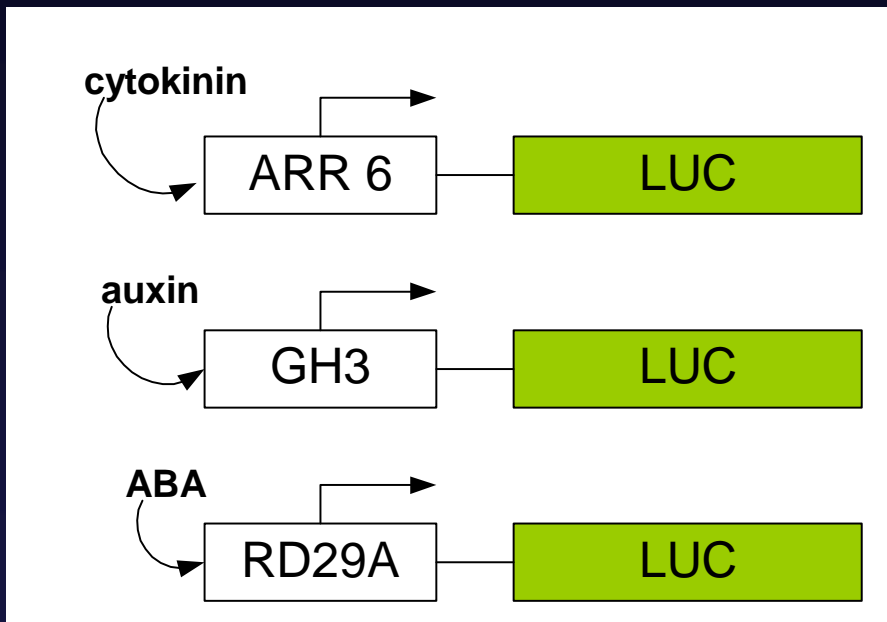


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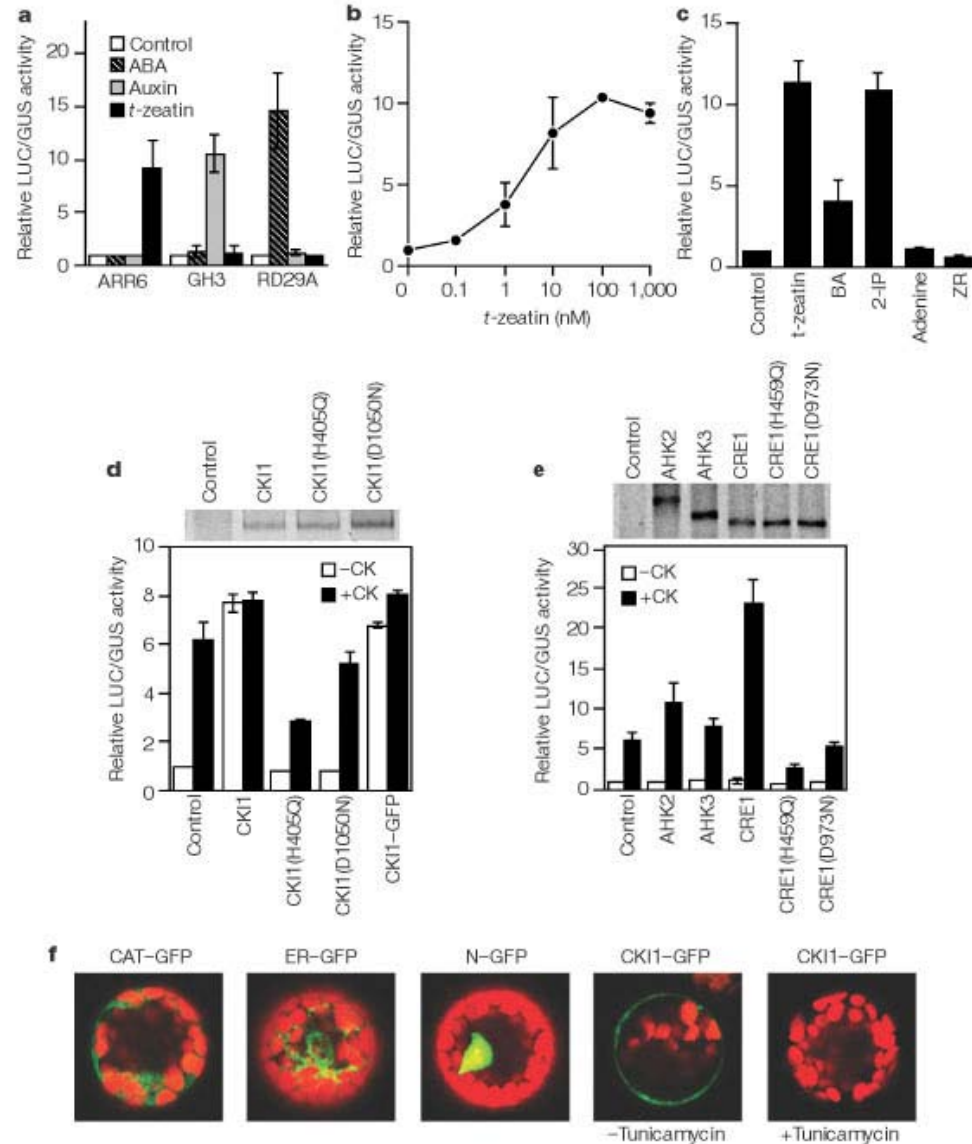


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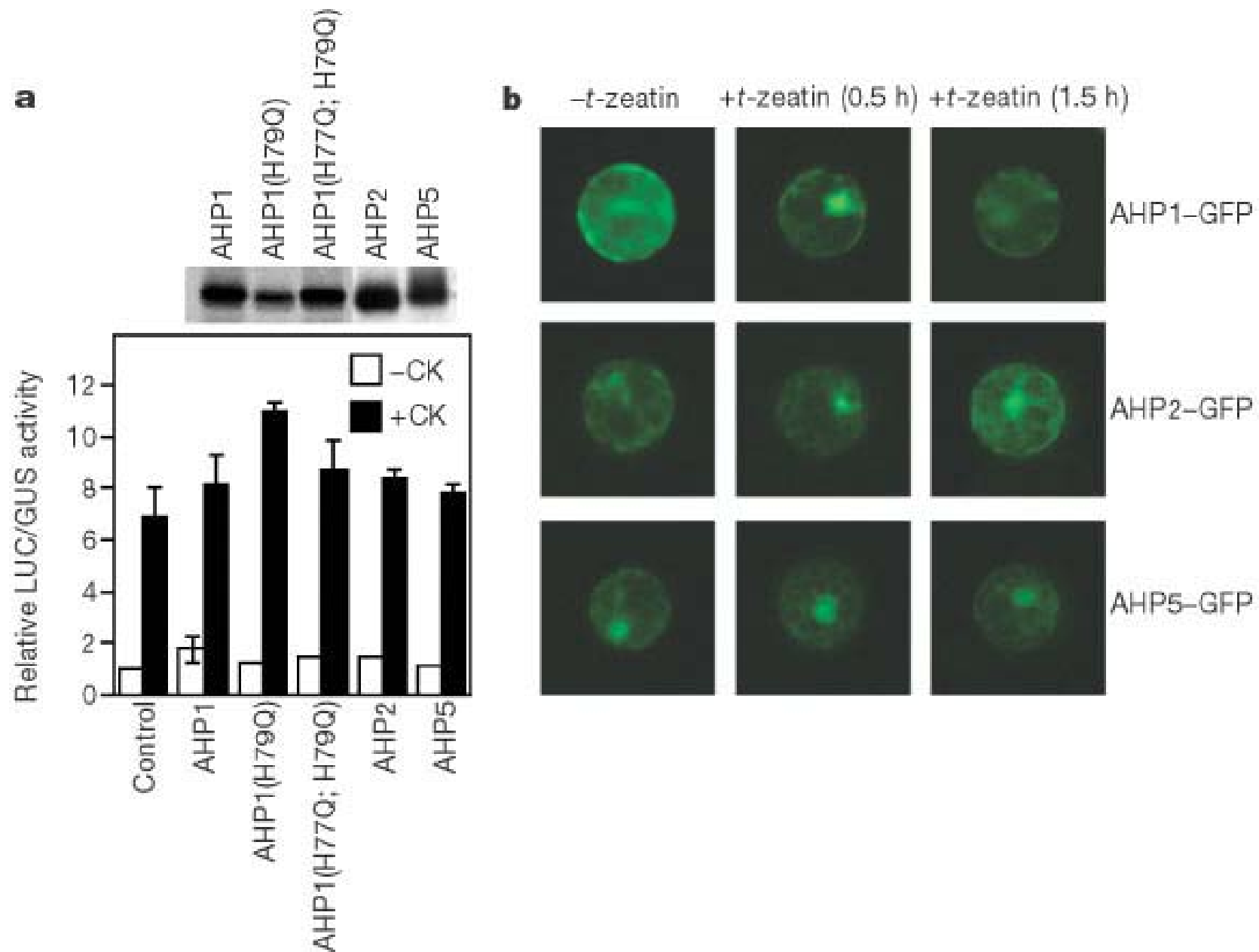
- Reporters for different pathways



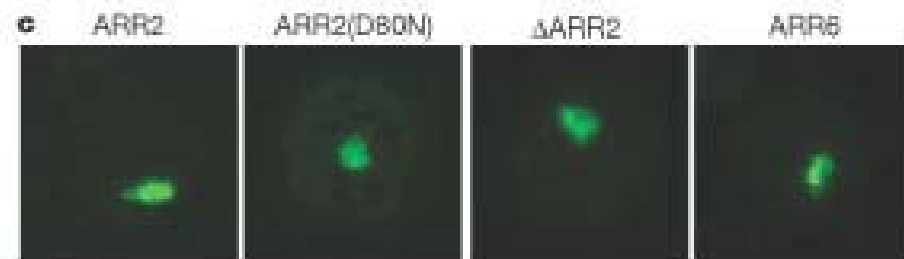
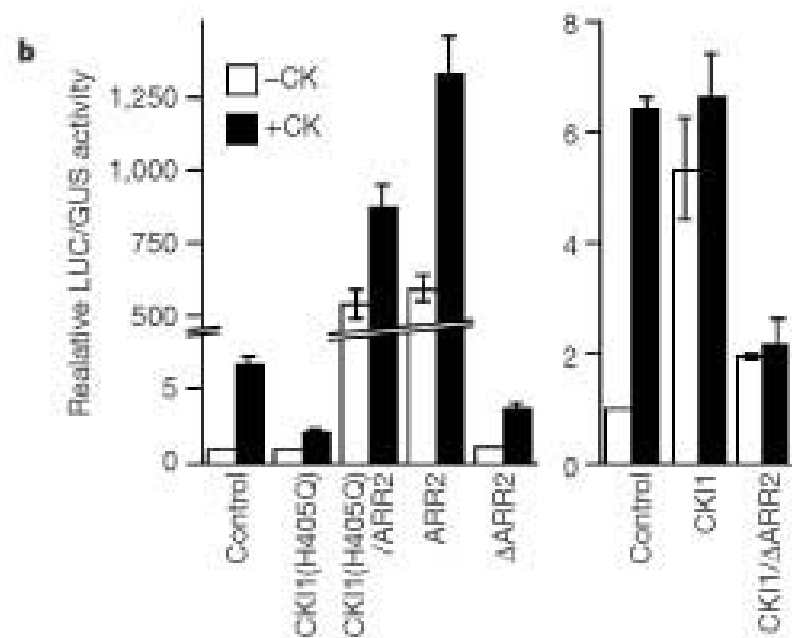
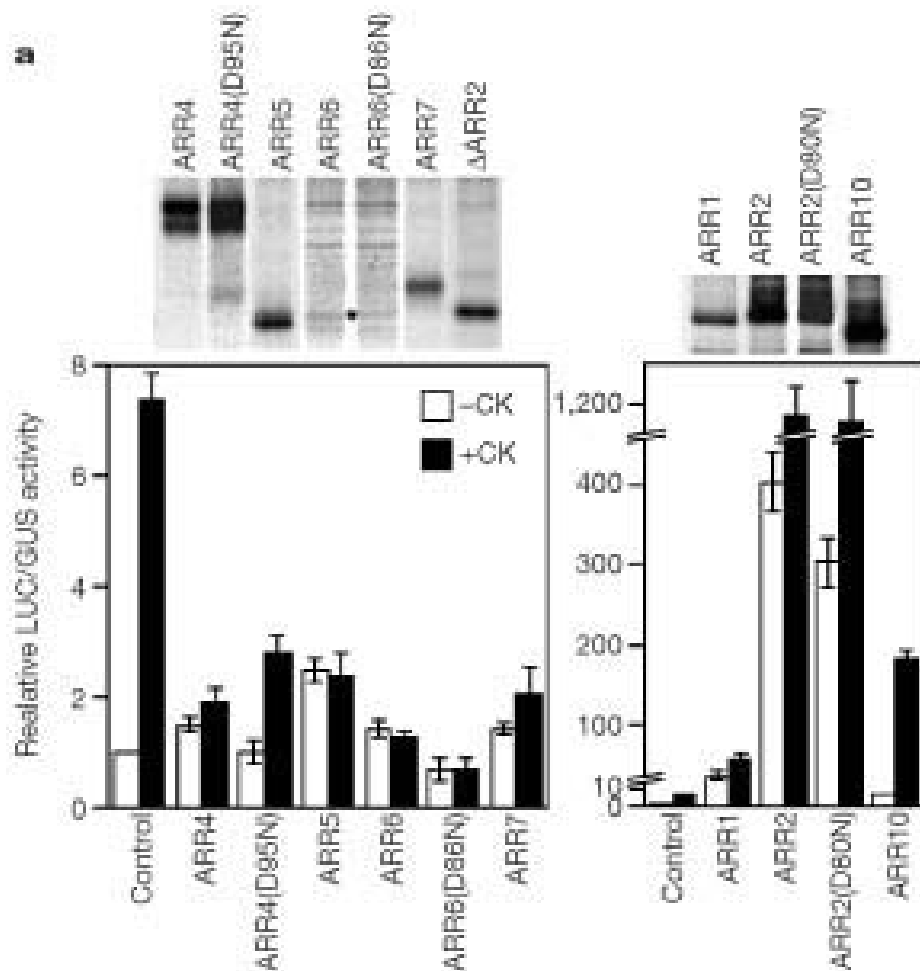
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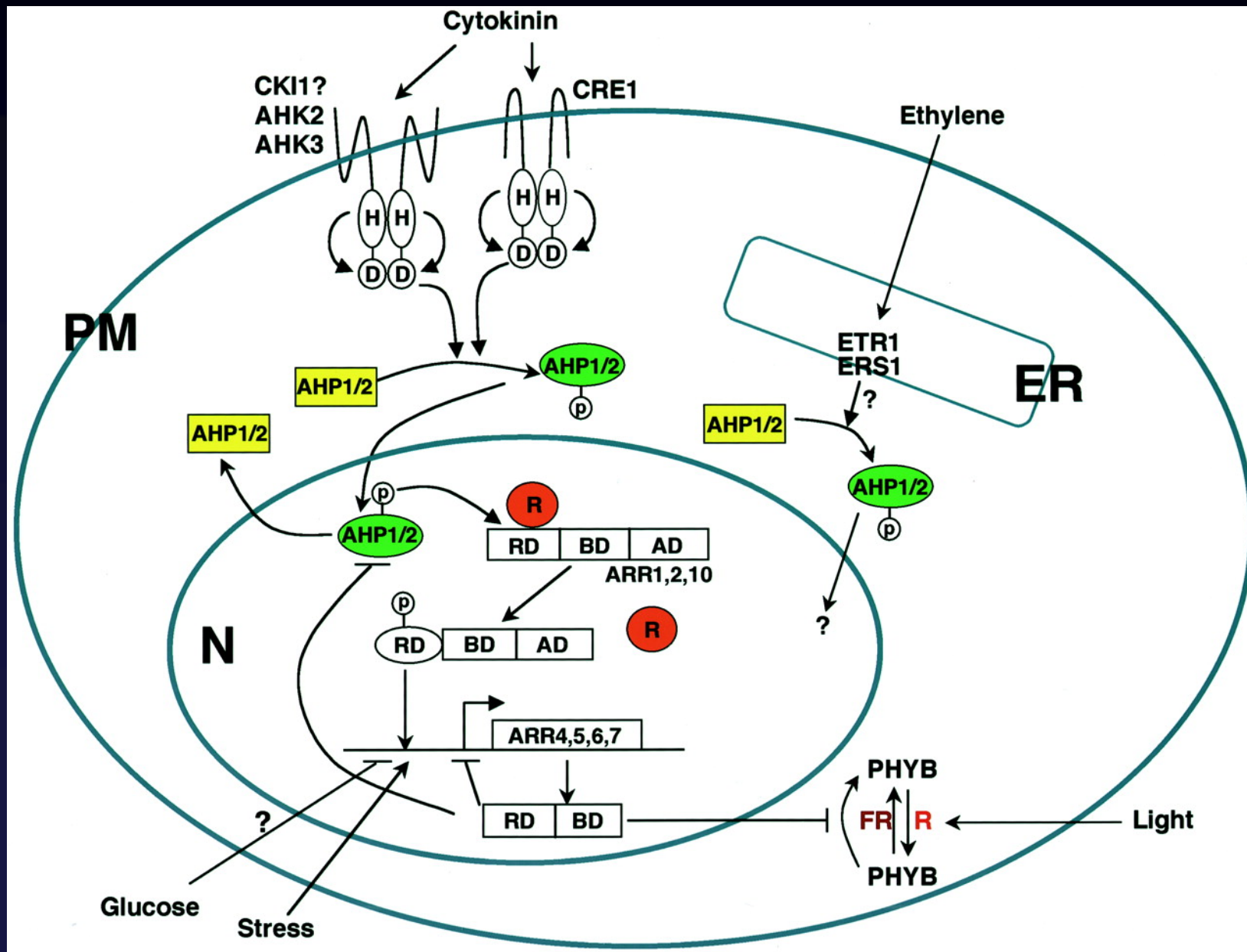
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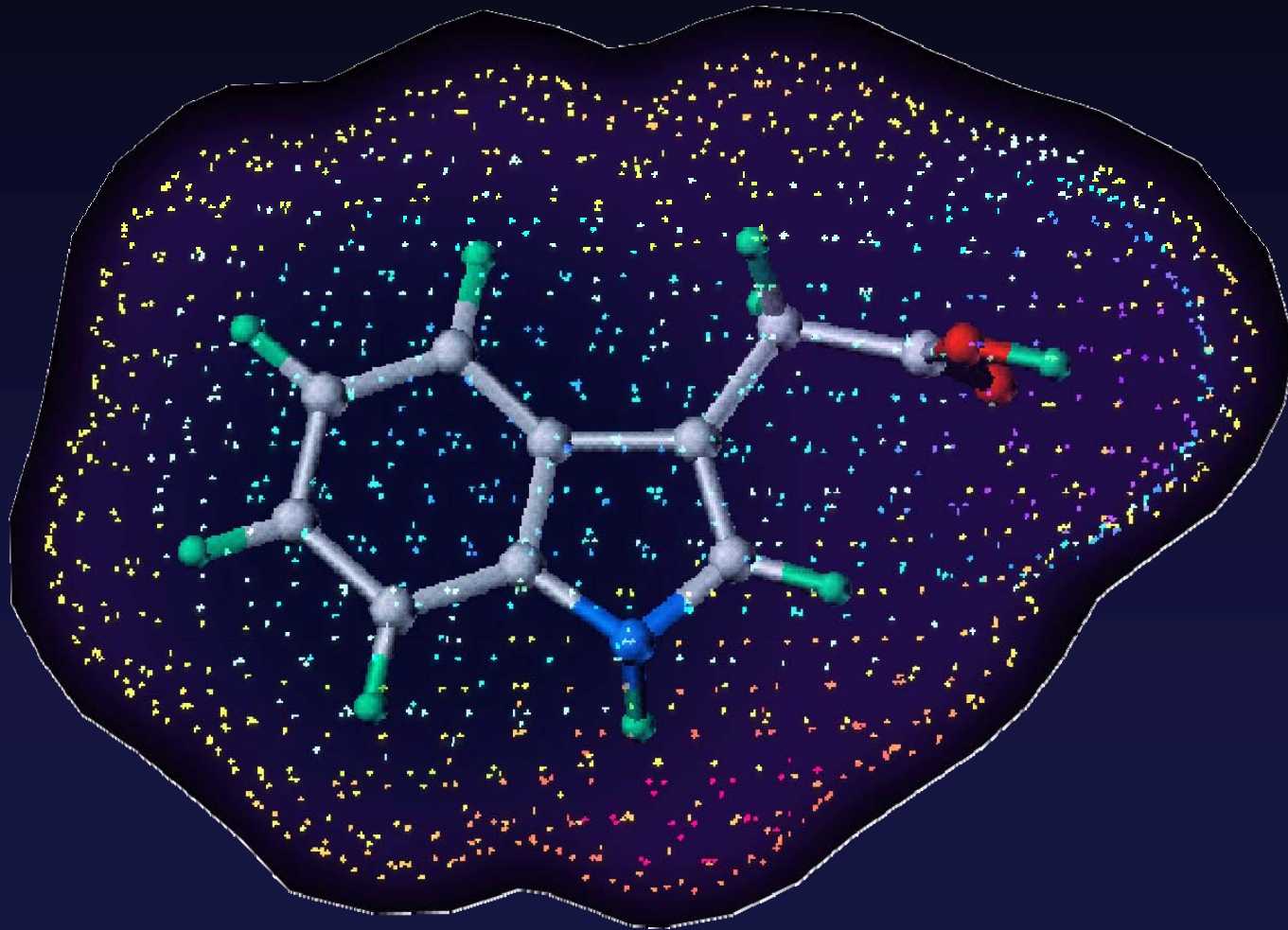
Opposite effects of two classes of ARR2s on CK signalling



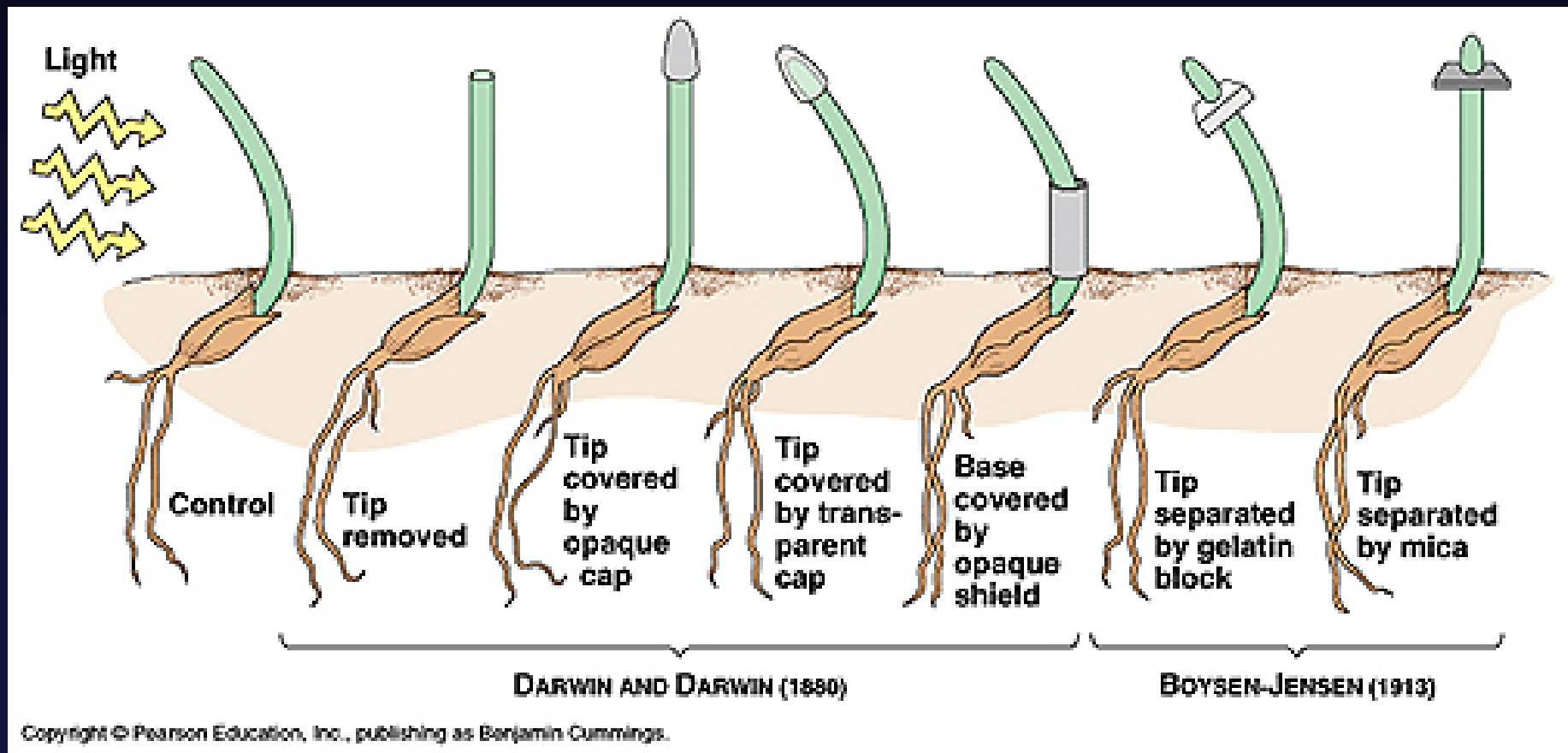
Games with protoplasts



Auxin Signaling and Transport

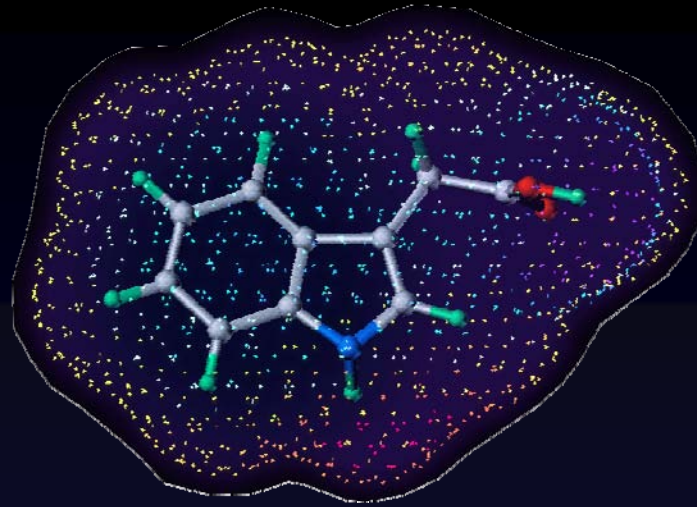


Discovery of the First Plant Signaling Molecule – Auxin and its Transport



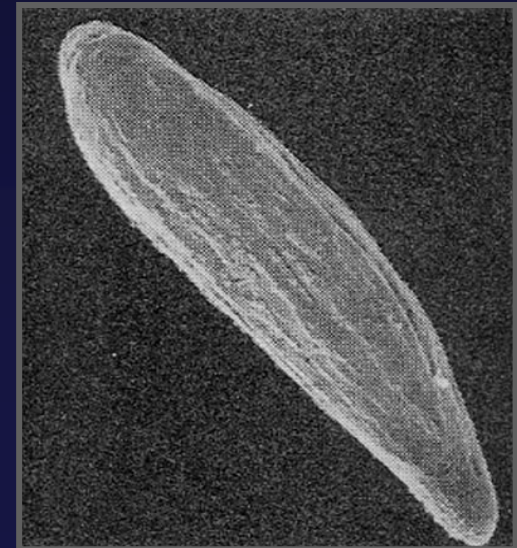
AUXIN

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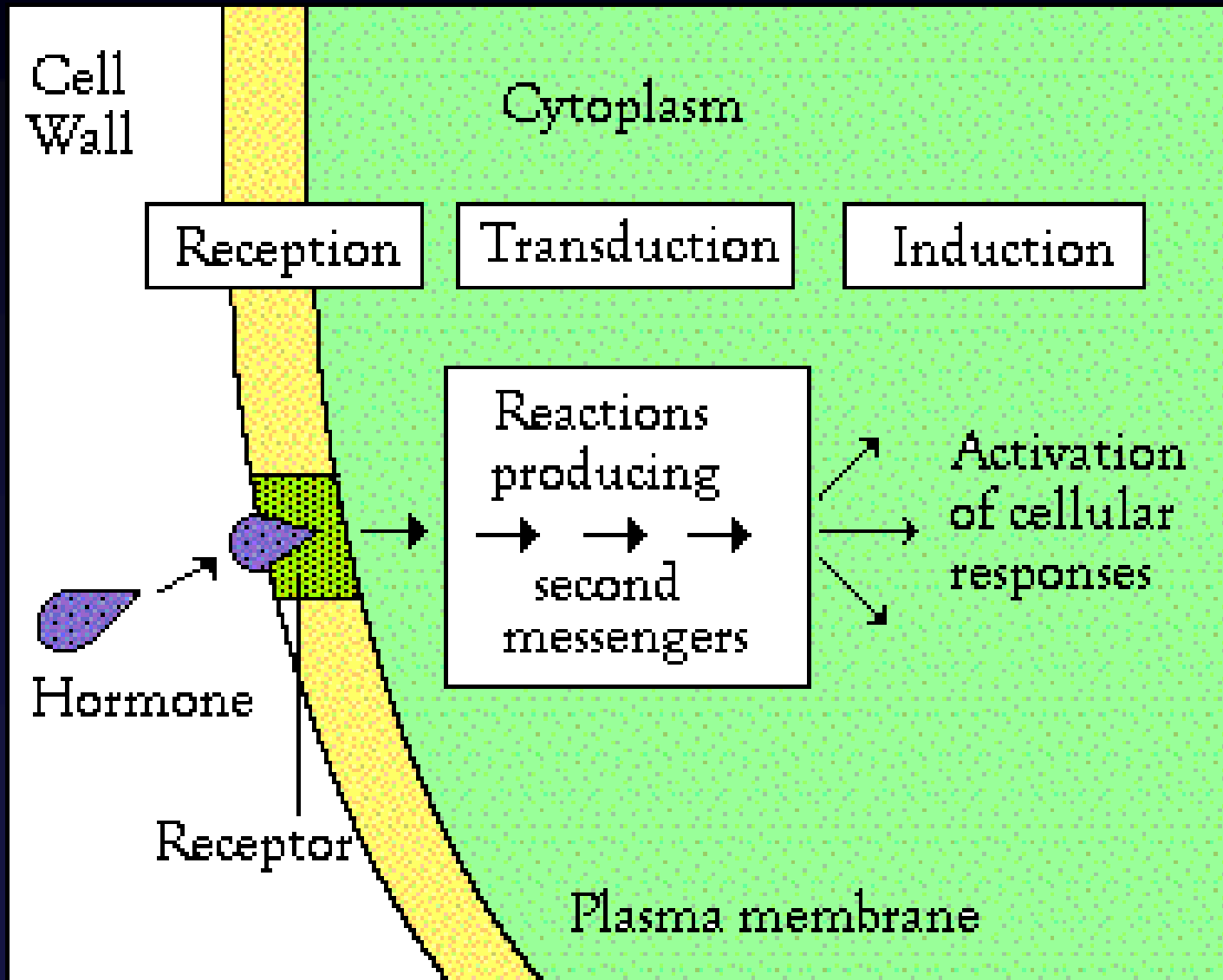


- Embryo development
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embryos



Signal Transduction



Biochemical Approach to Identify Auxin Receptor

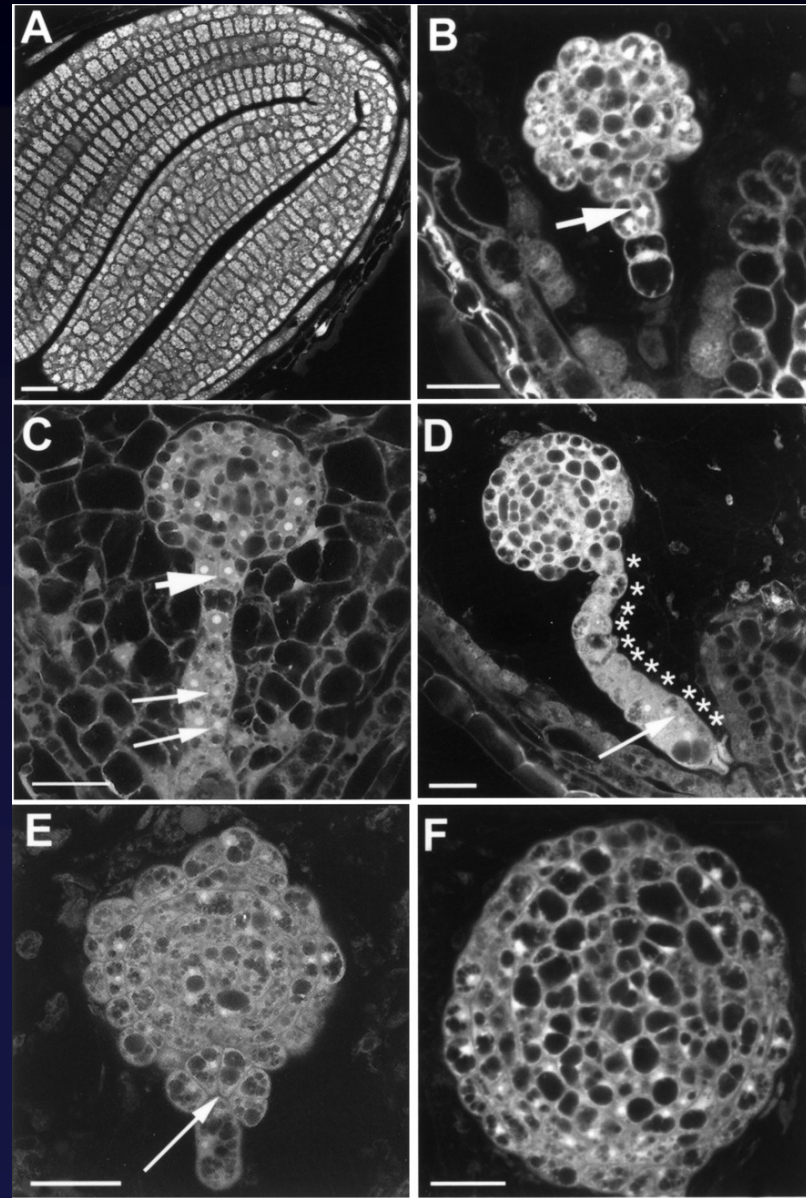
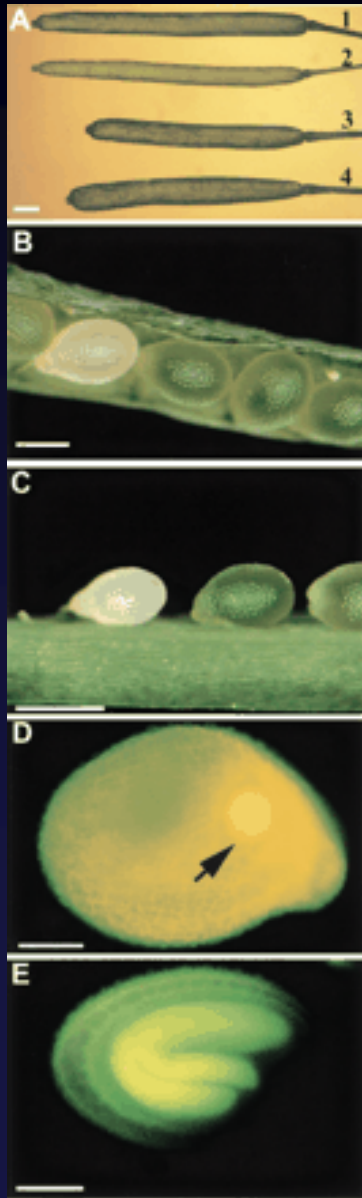
Isolation of auxin binding proteins

- Azidolabeling
- Affinity chromatography

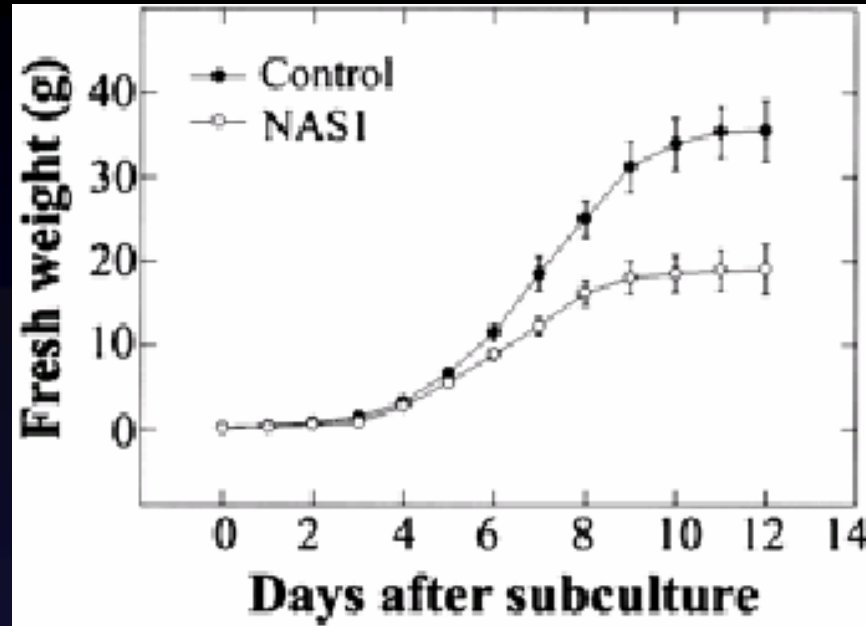
Protein sequencing, cDNA screening, gene identification

=> Auxin Binding Protein (ABP1)

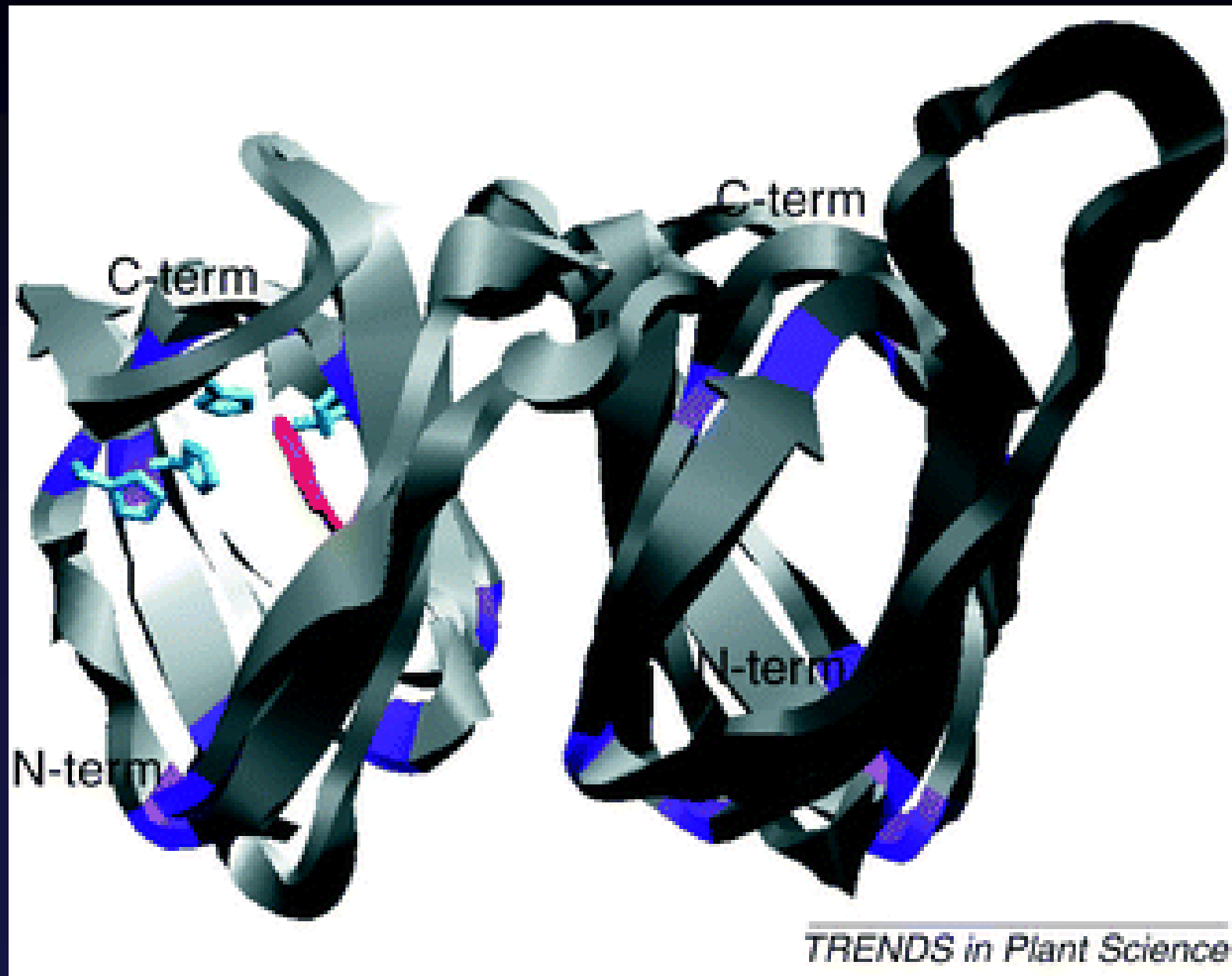
Reverse Genetic – Embryo Lethal *abp1* Mutant



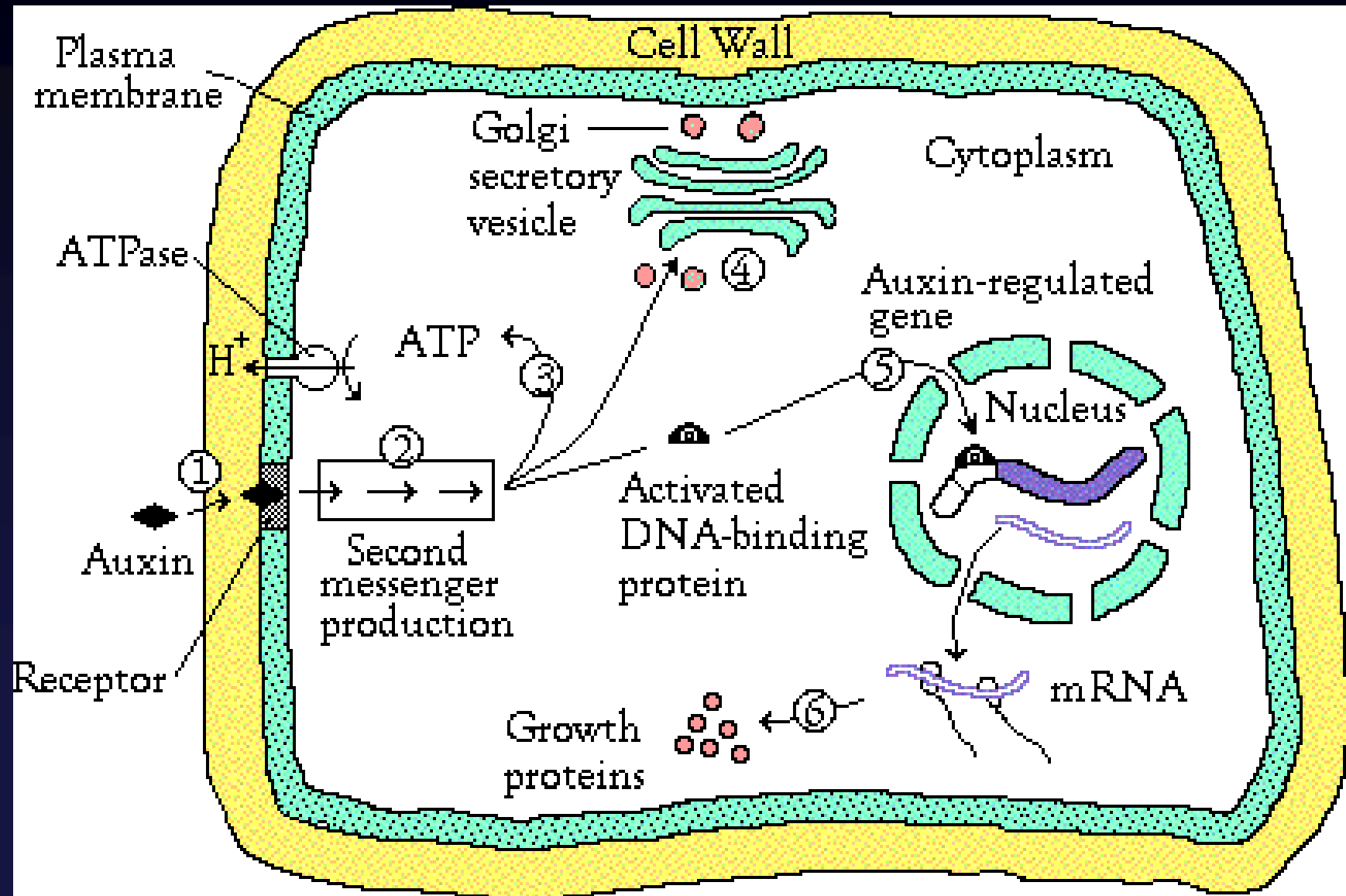
ABP1 Antisense BY-2 Cells Display Defects in Auxin Dependent Cell Elongation



ABP1 – Structure



Optimistic Model for ABP1 Action



Genetic Approach to Identify Auxin Receptor

- Auxin resistant (axr): *axr1 - axr6*

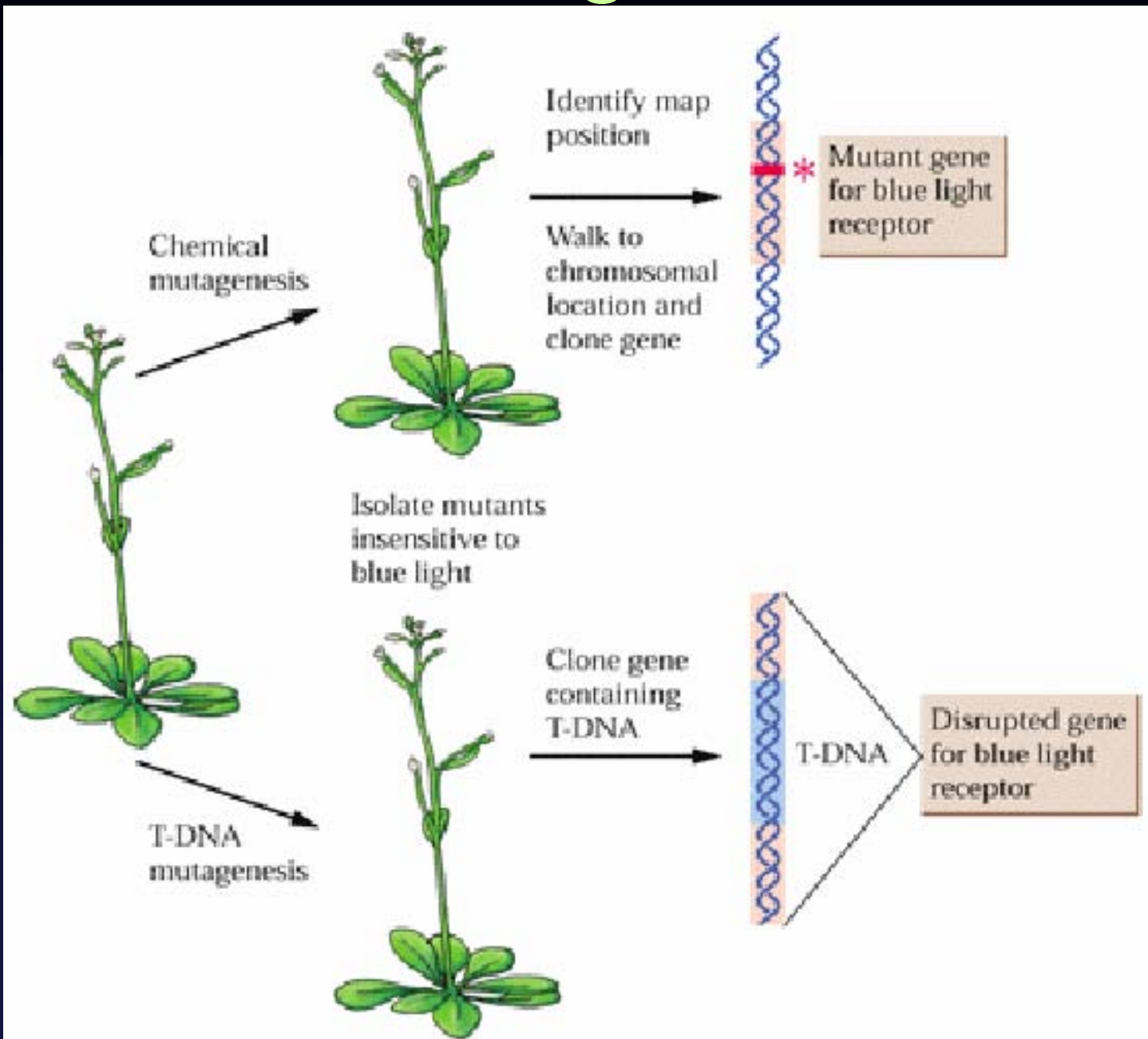
- Transport inhibitor response (tir):
tir1 - tir7

Morphological mutants (*monopteros, bodenlos, etc.*)

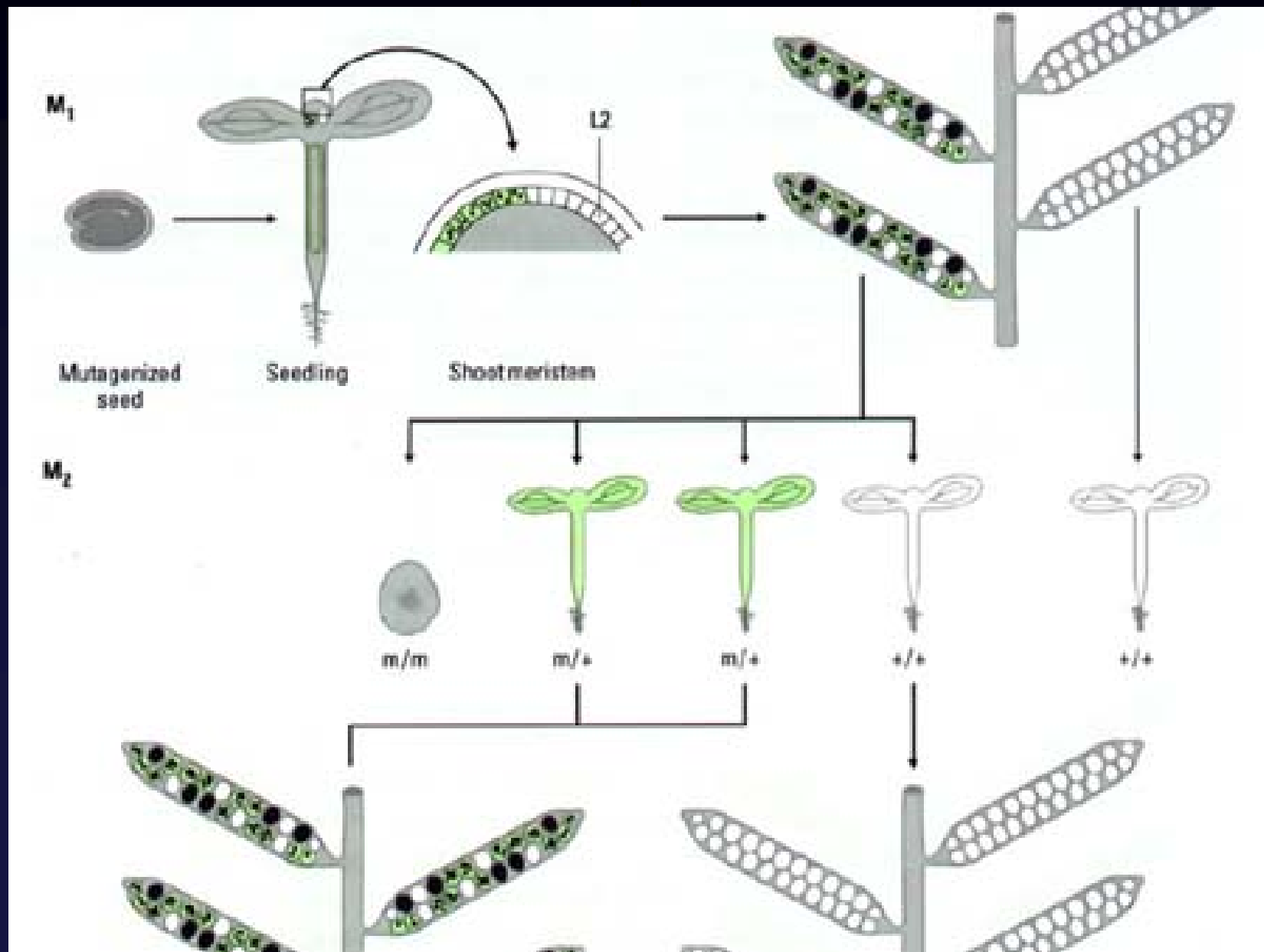
=> Role of regulated protein degradation and transcriptional regulation in auxin signaling

None of the identified gene looks like a receptor

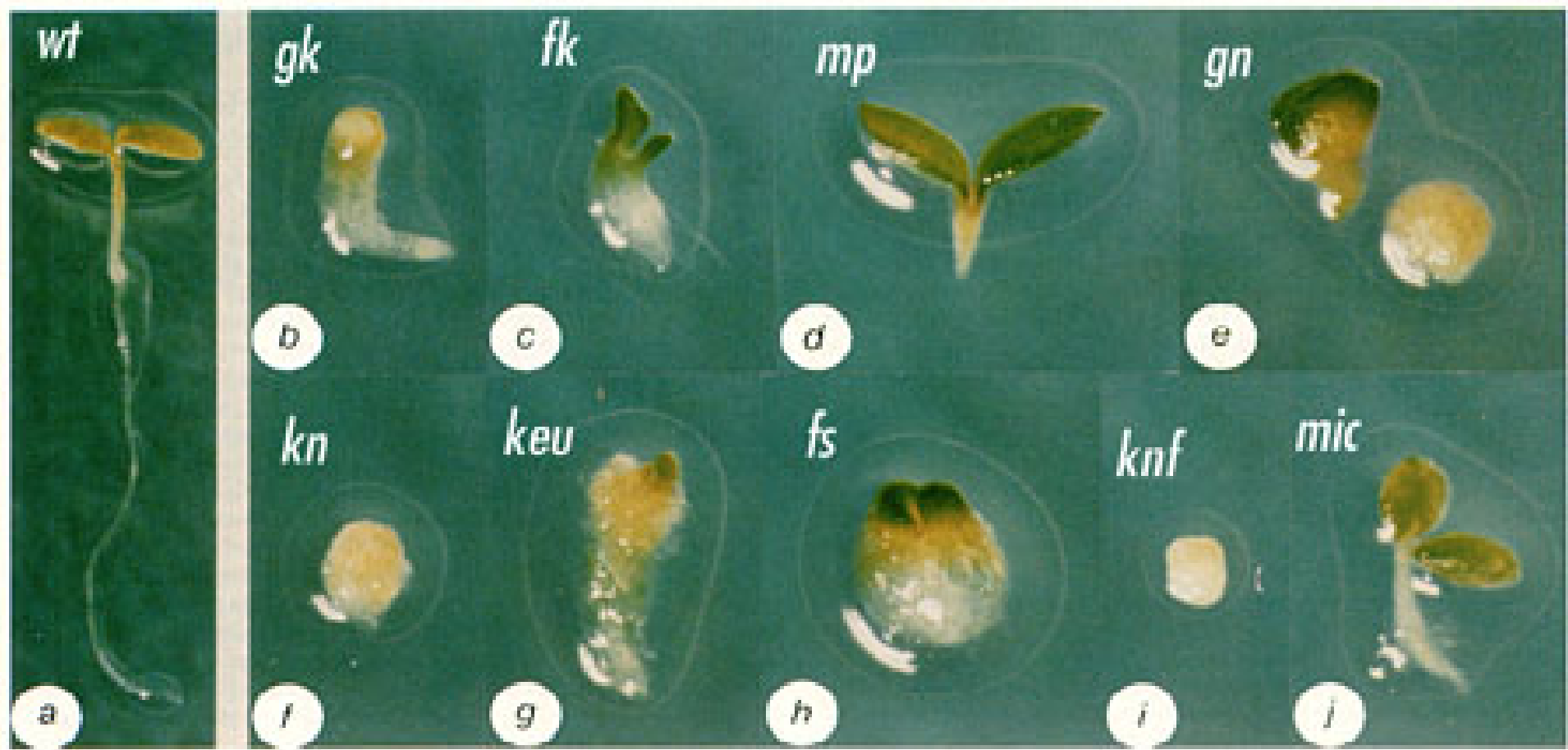
Forward genetics



EMS Mutagenesis



Mutant Screen at Seedling Level



Molecular Biology Approach to Elucidate Auxin Signaling

Does auxin regulate gene expression?

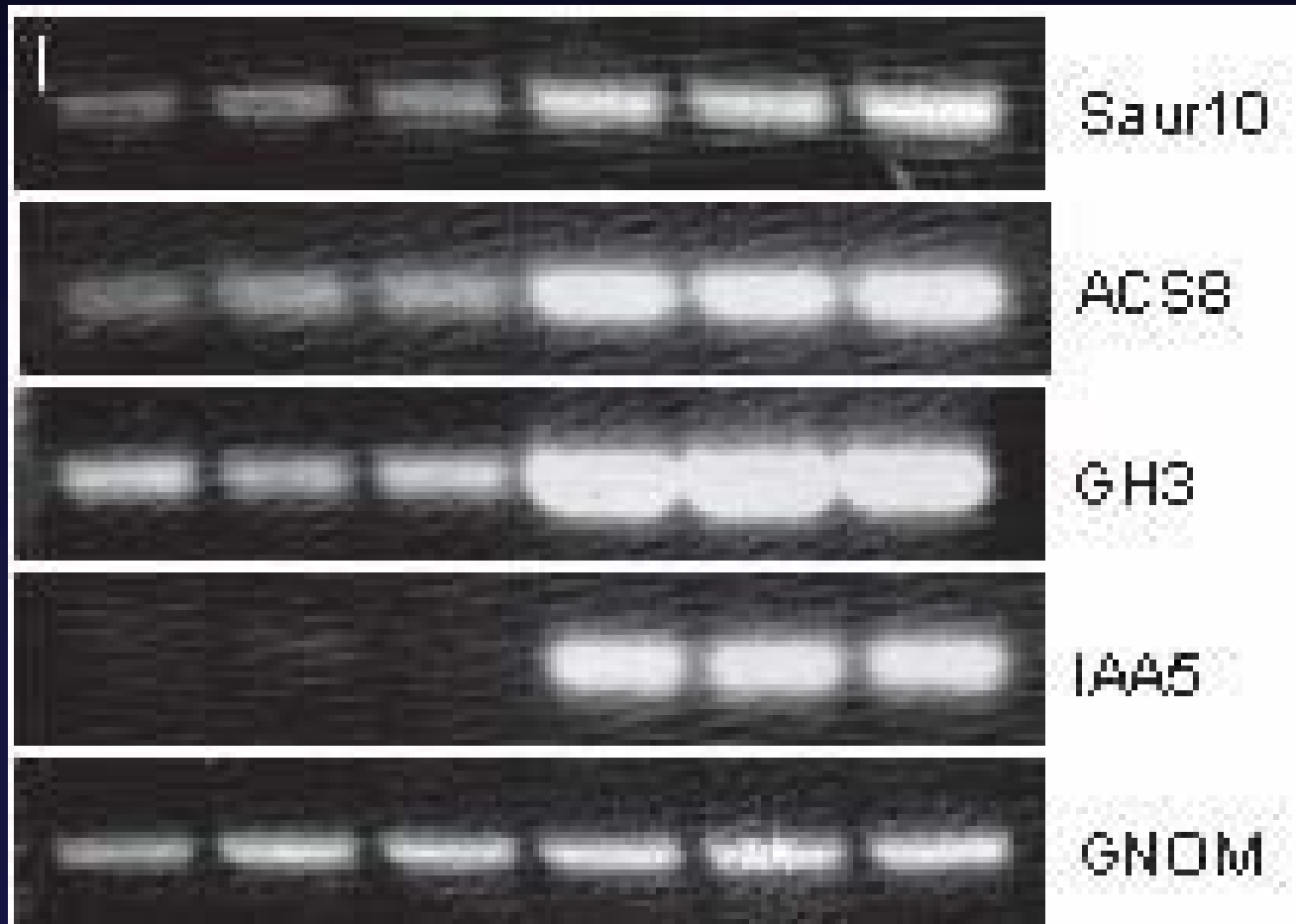
- Rapidly upregulated mRNAs
(*GH3*, *SAUR*, *AUX/IAA* genes)
- One hybrid screen with Auxin Response Elements
=> Auxin Response Factors (ARF)
- Two hybrid => *AUX/IAAs* interact with ARFs

Molecular Biology Approach to Elucidate Auxin Signaling

RT-PCR

- IAA

+ IAA



Some ARFs are **Activators**, whereas Aux/IAA **Repressors** of Auxin Response

Aux/IAA



Protein
stability

Homo and hetero-
dimerisation

QVVGWPPVRSYRK

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bdl mutation

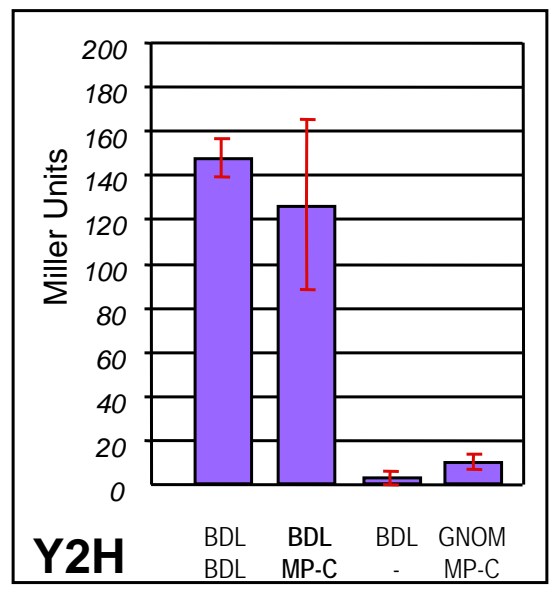
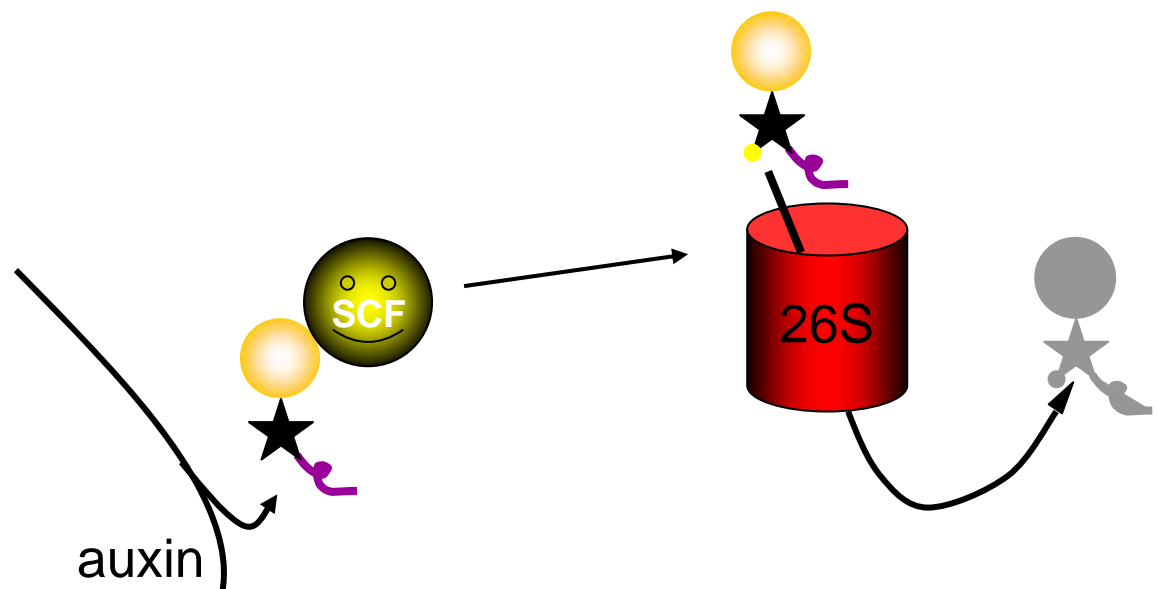
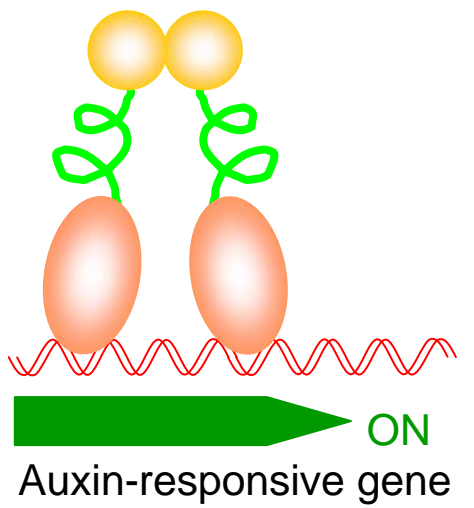
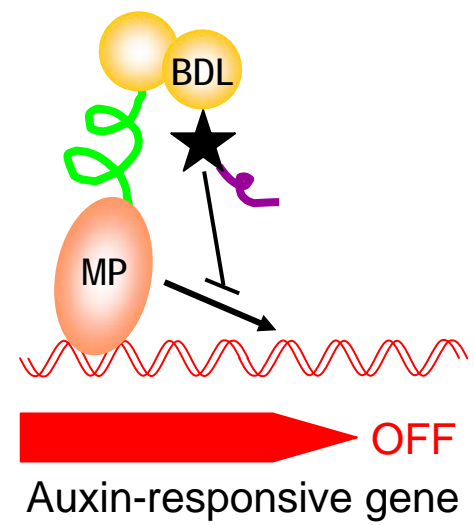
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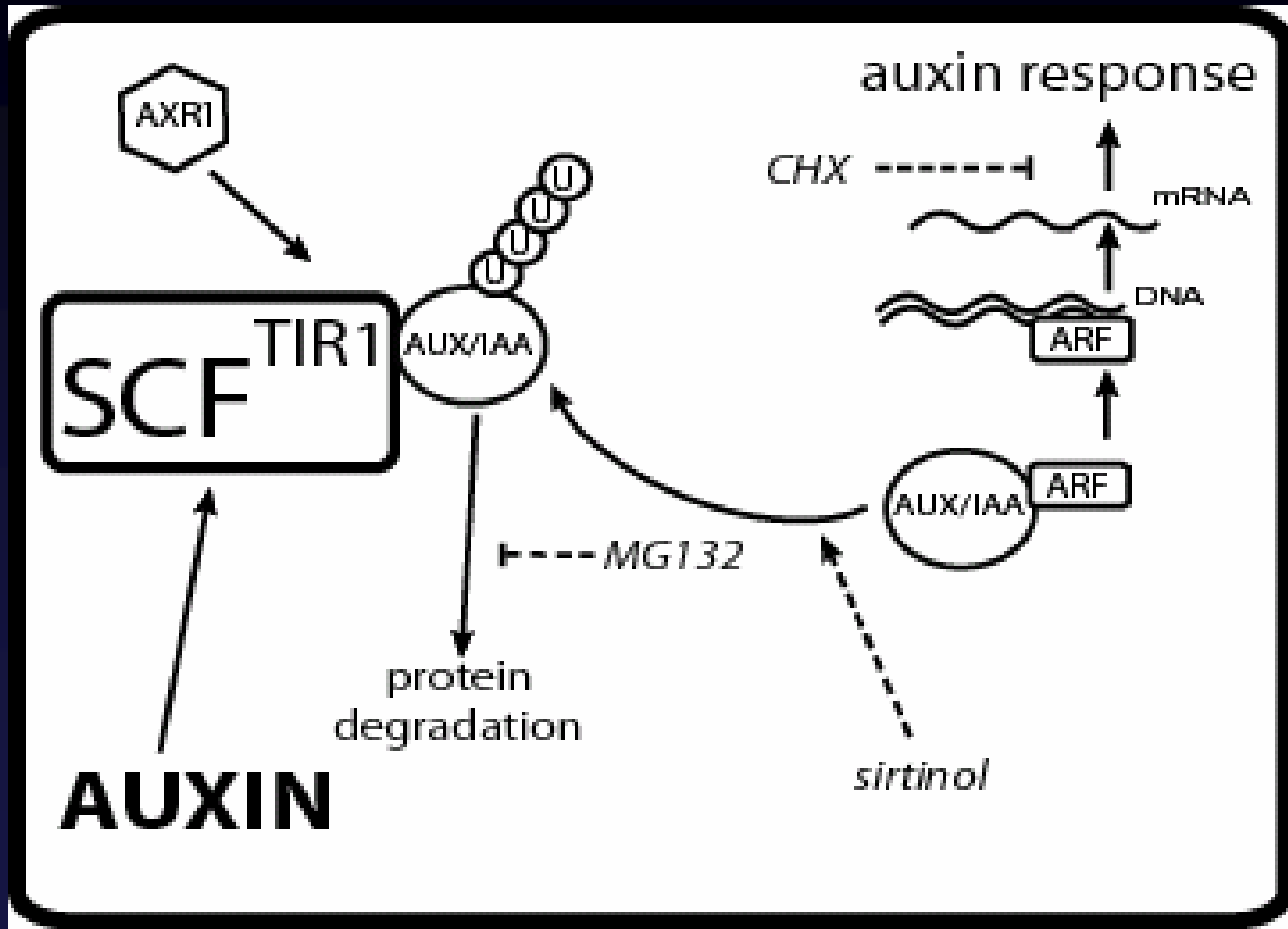


AuxRE binding

Homo and hetero-
dimerisation



Genomic Auxin Signaling



Summary for Auxin Signaling

Biochemical approach - auxin binding protein

ABP1

binds auxin, important in embryogenesis,
precise role unclear

Genetic approach - role of protein degradation

(*axr1*, *tir1*)

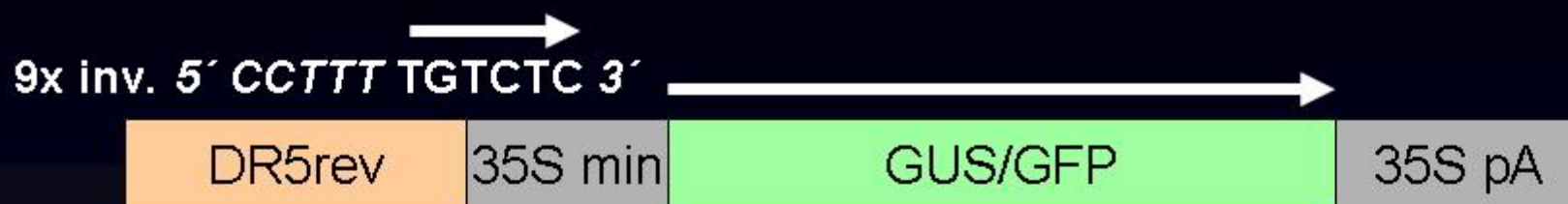
Molecular approach - auxin regulates expression

ARE in promoters of auxin regulated genes

ARF transcription factors binds to ARE

AUX/IAA proteins repress ARF and are
degraded upon auxin signal

DR5 Auxin Response Reporter



Root

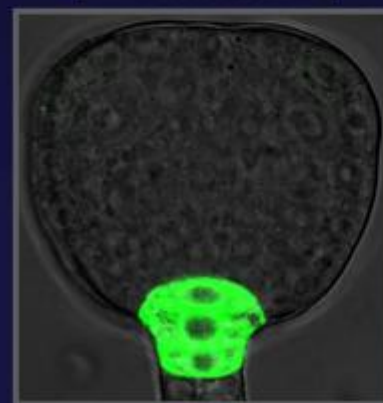
Embryos



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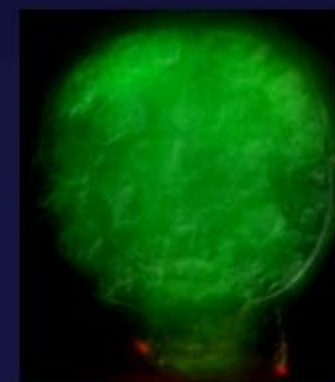
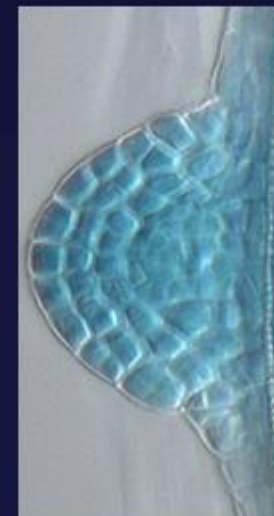
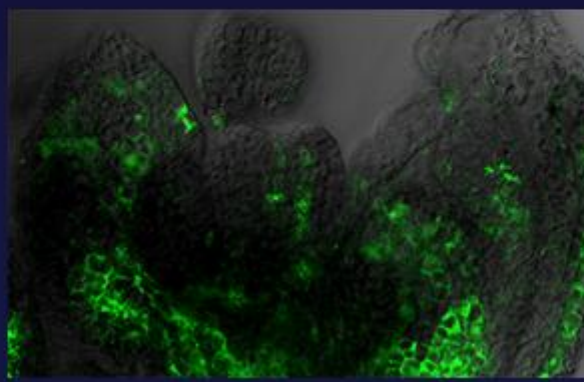
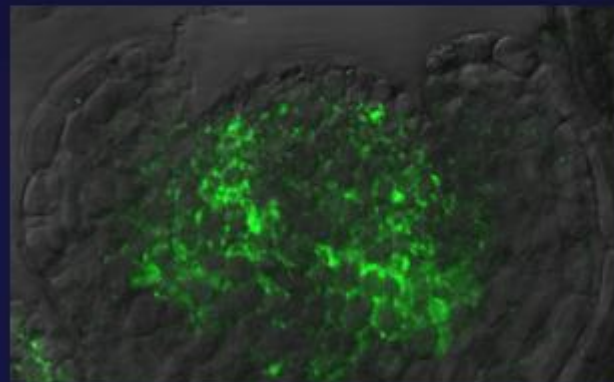
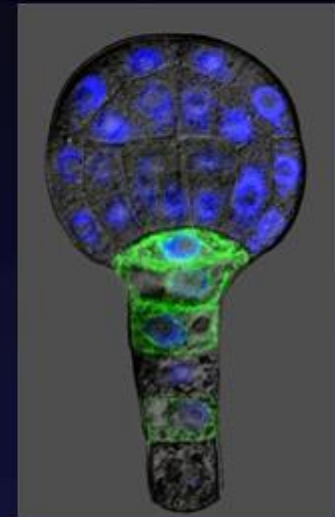
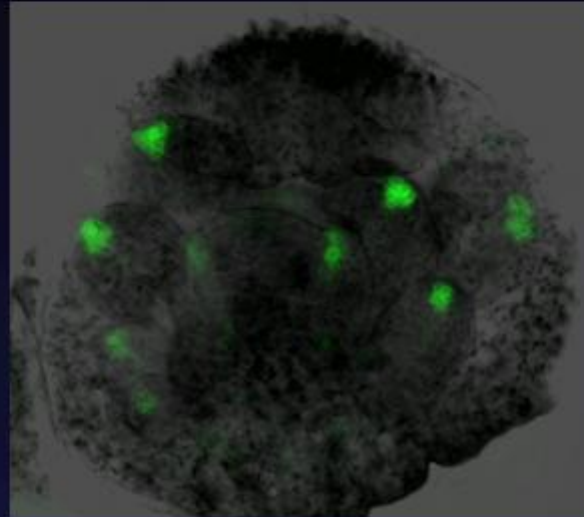
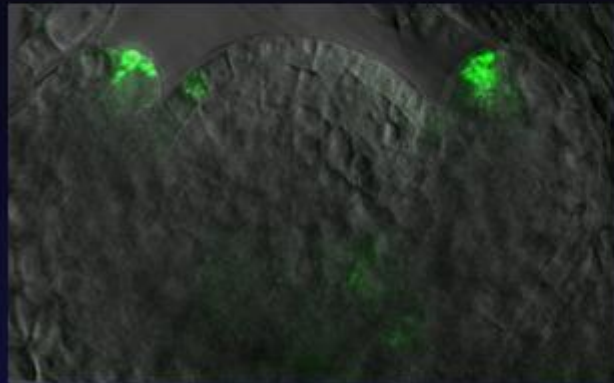
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Local Auxin Gradients Require Active Polar Auxin Transport



Auxin Transport

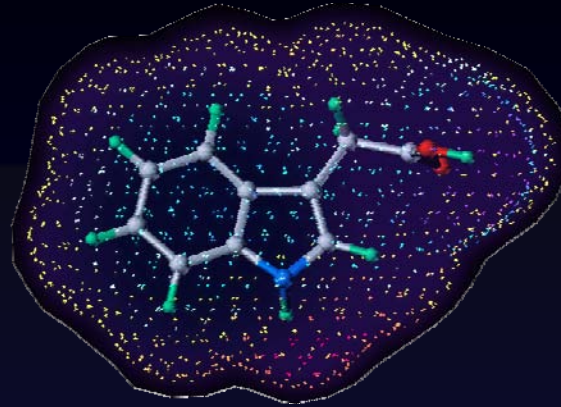
Proteins involved in auxin transport

- PIN proteins (efflux)

- AUX1 proteins (influx)

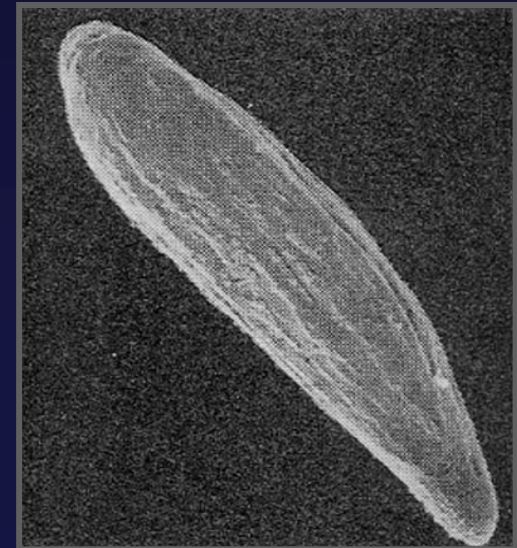
AUXIN TRANSPORT

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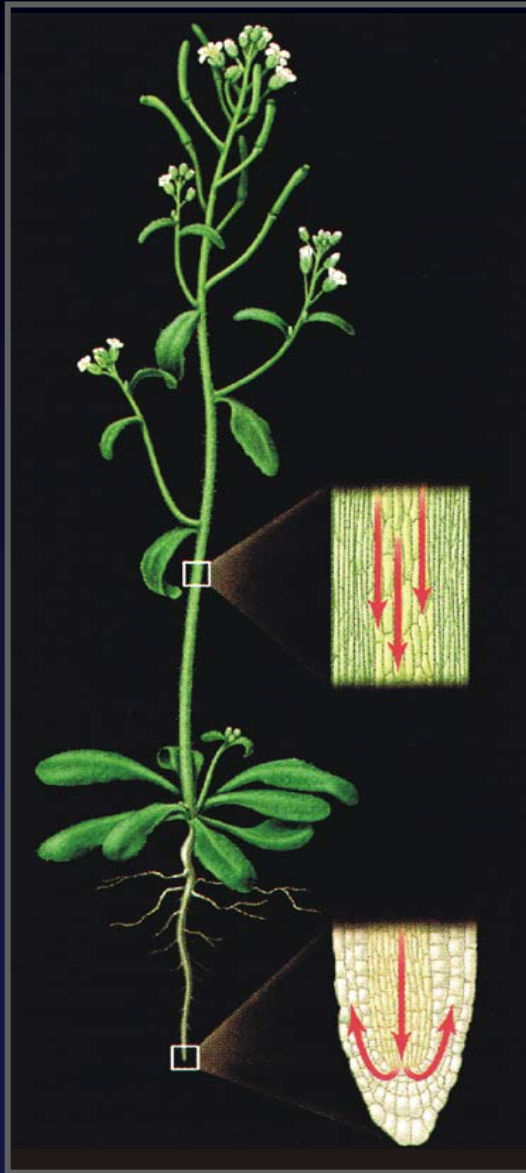


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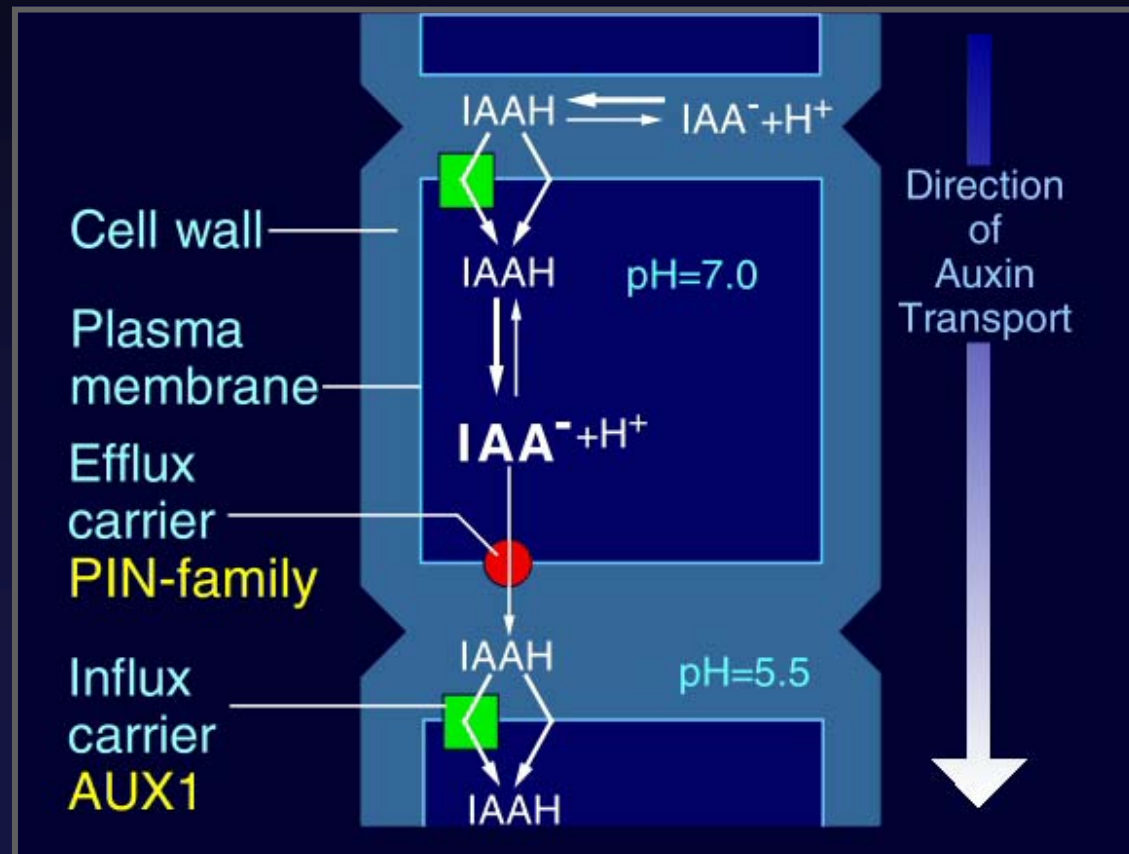
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Physiology of Auxin Transport



Chemiosmotic hypothesis

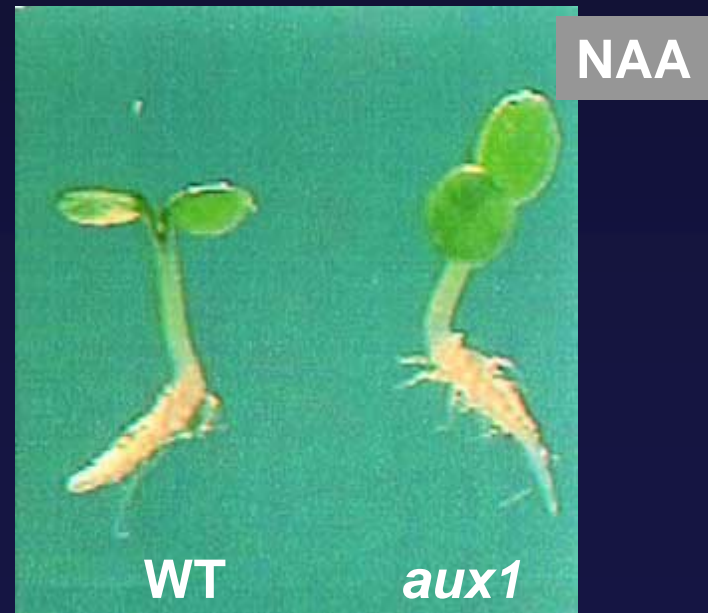
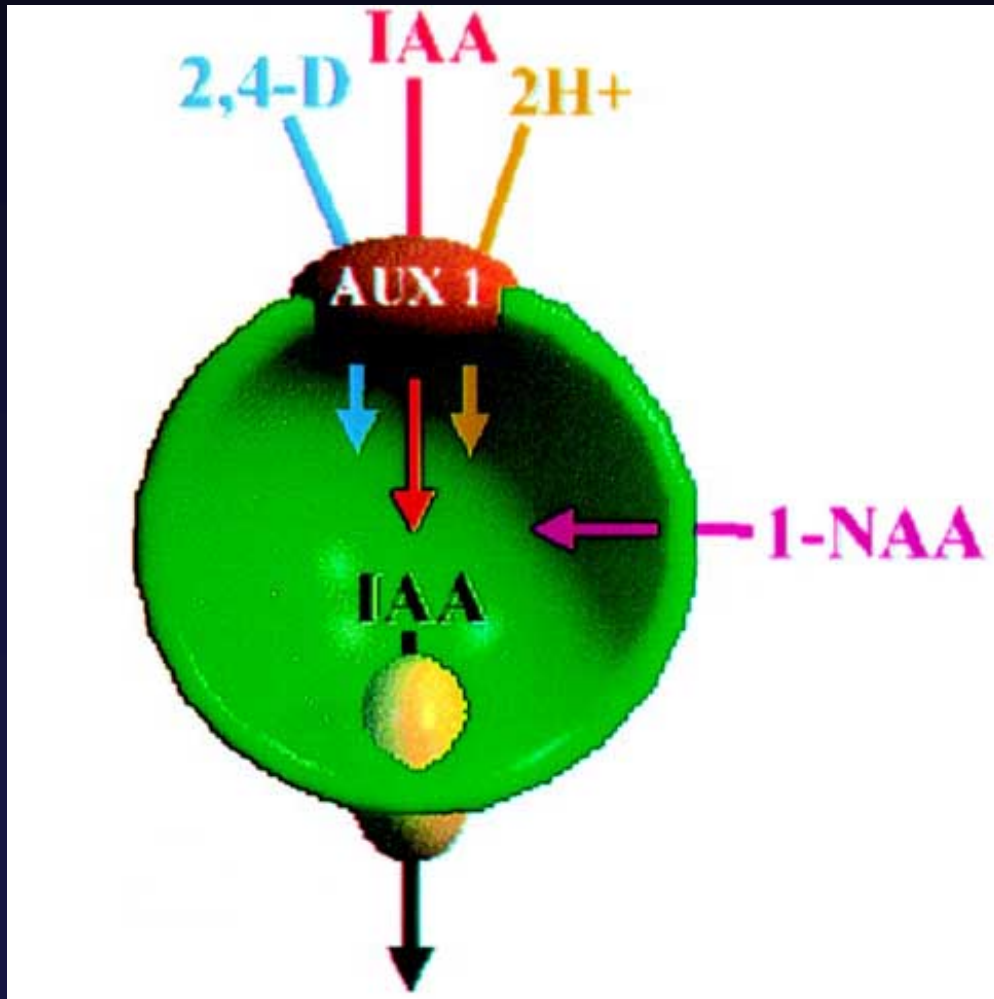


Auxin Influx

aux1 is Resistant to Auxin

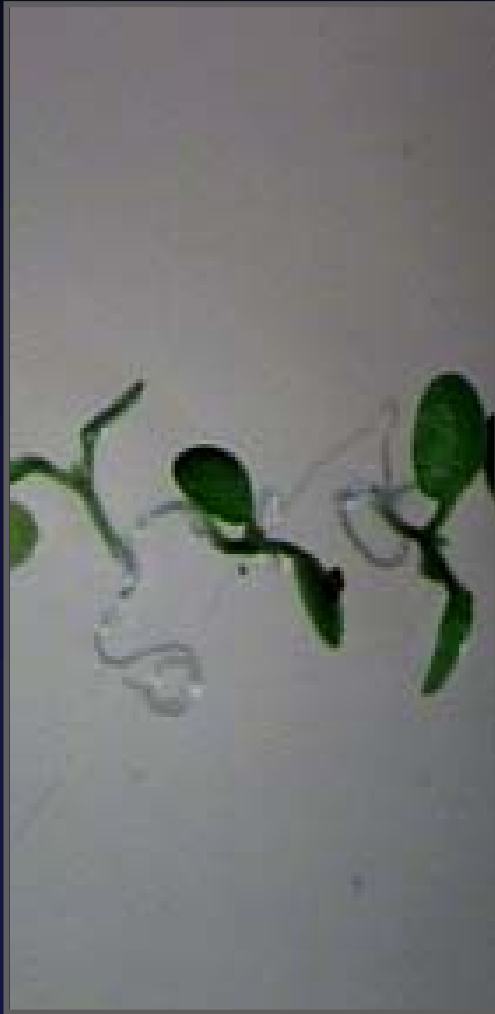
aux1 phenotype

Transport properties of different auxins



NAA Rescues *aux1* Phenotype

- NAA



+ NAA



AUX1 – Expression and Localization

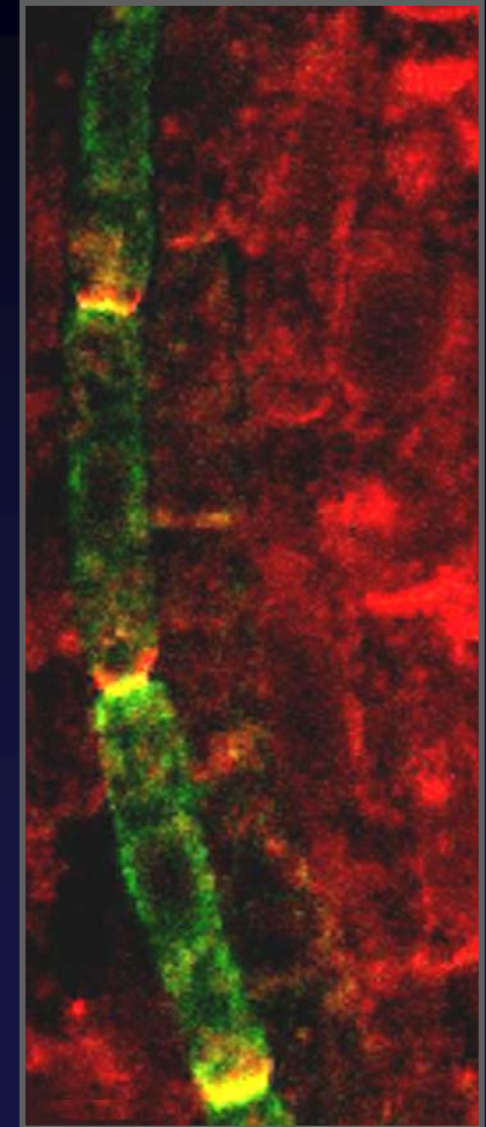
AUX1::GUS



AUX1 protein



PIN1/AUX1



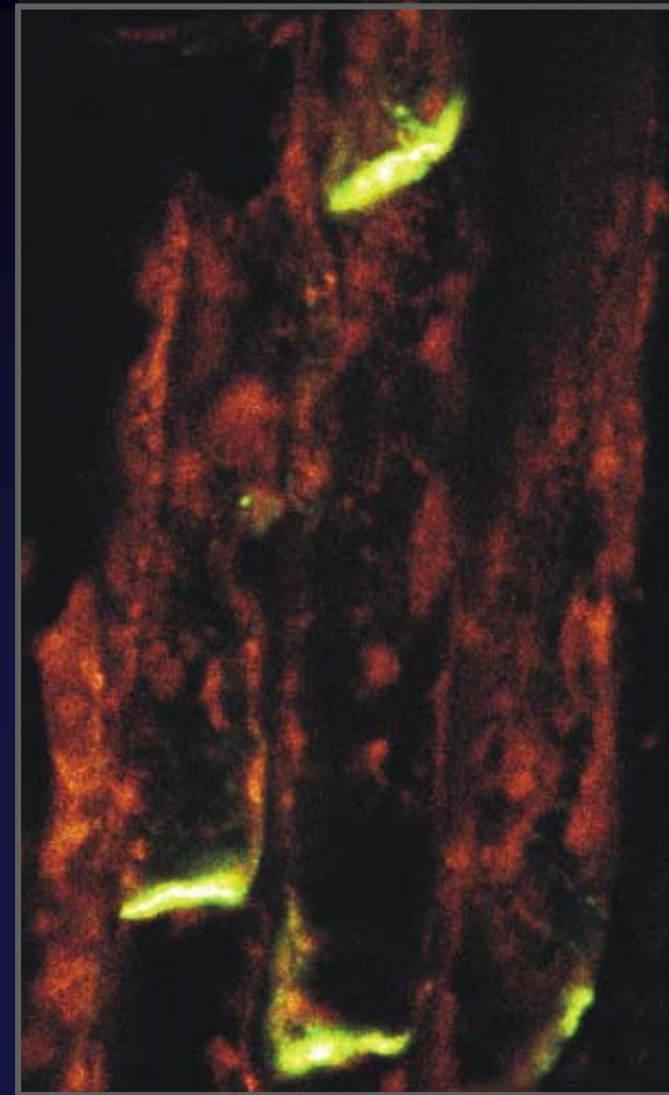
Auxin Efflux

PIN1 – the Auxin Efflux Carrier?

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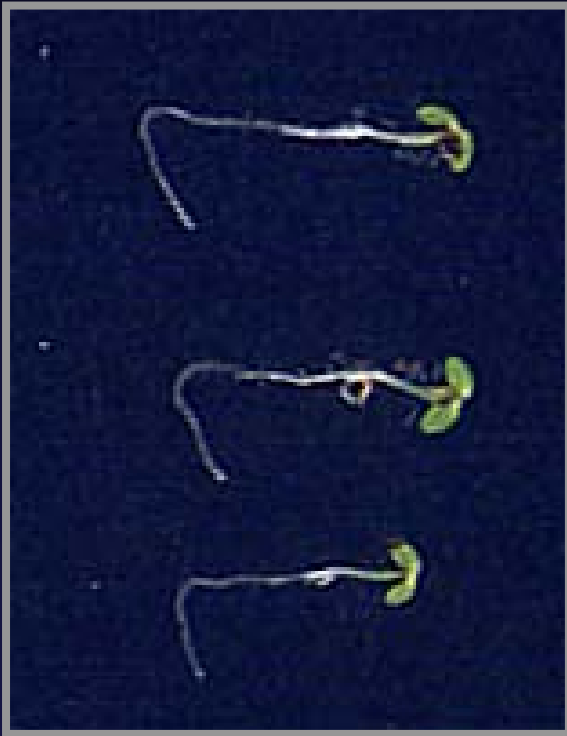


PIN1 protein



PIN2 – Root Gravitropism

Col-0



pin2



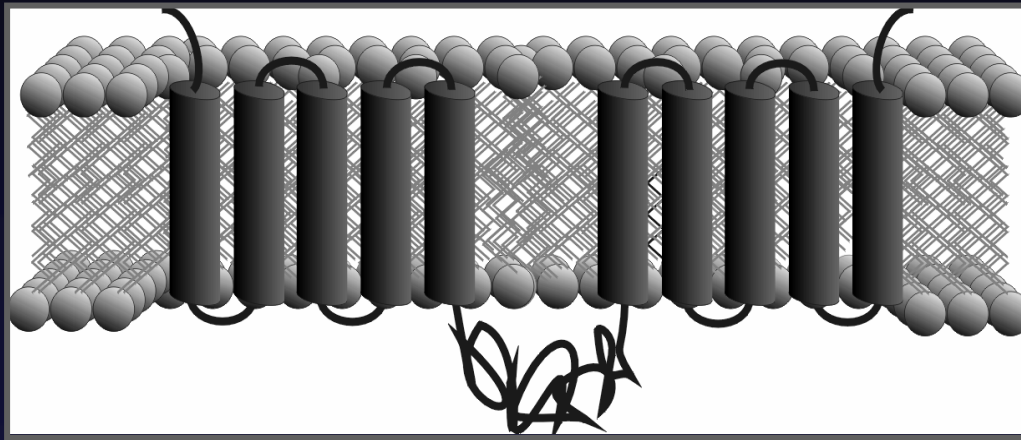
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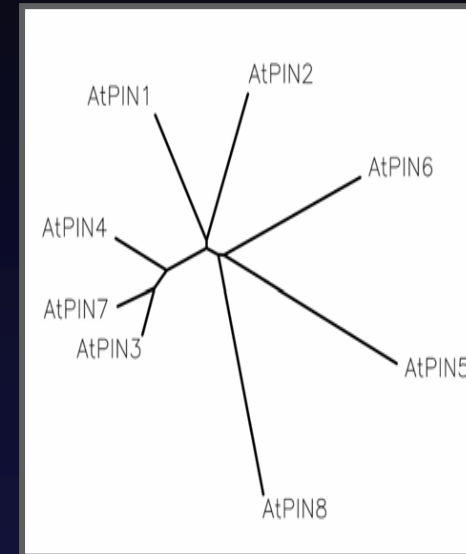
What is Molecular Role
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in Auxin Transport?

PINs Are Essential Components of Auxin Transport

Putative topology of PIN proteins



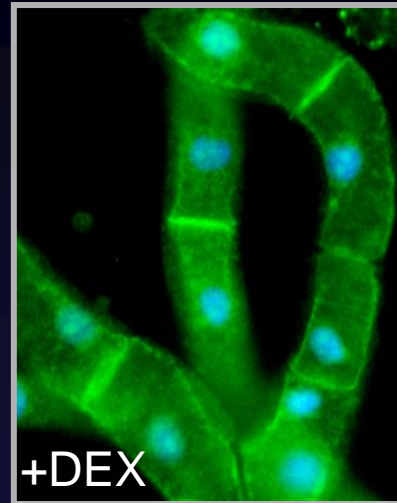
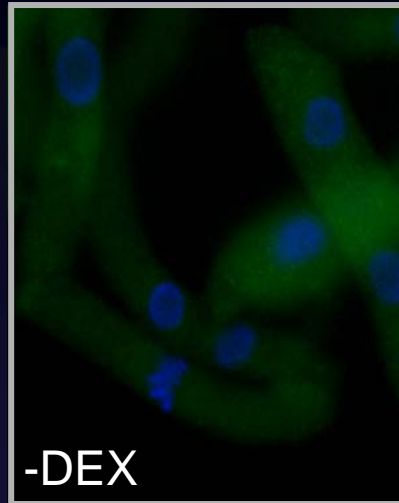
Phylogenetic tree



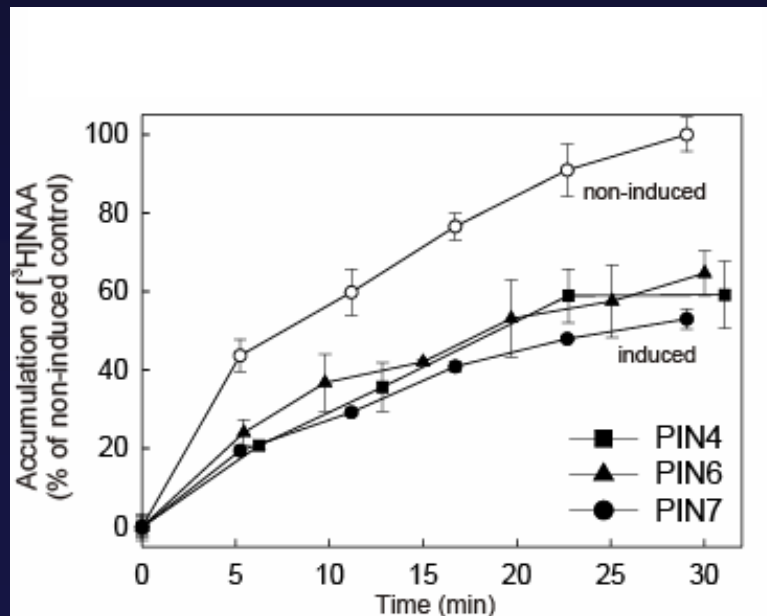
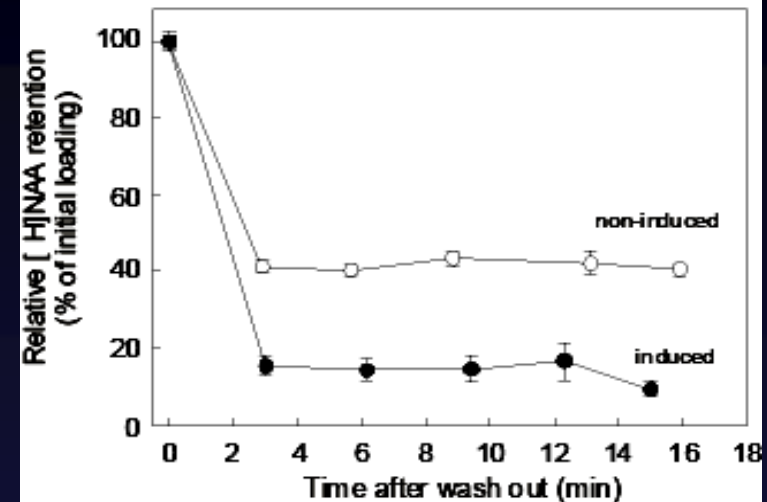
- All defects in *pin* loss-of-function mutants are in auxin transport-dependent processes and can be phenocopied by auxin transport inhibitors
- Local auxin distribution (gradients) are affected in *pins*
- Polar PIN localization determines direction of auxin flow

PINs Are Rate-limiting Factors in Auxin Efflux

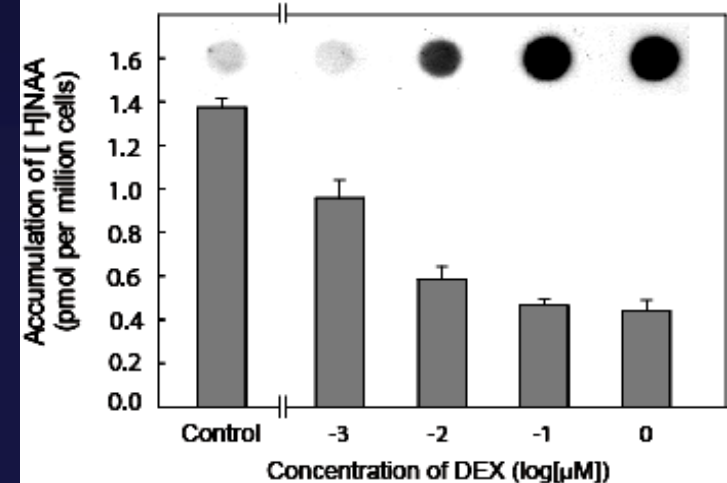
Inducible PIN1 expression



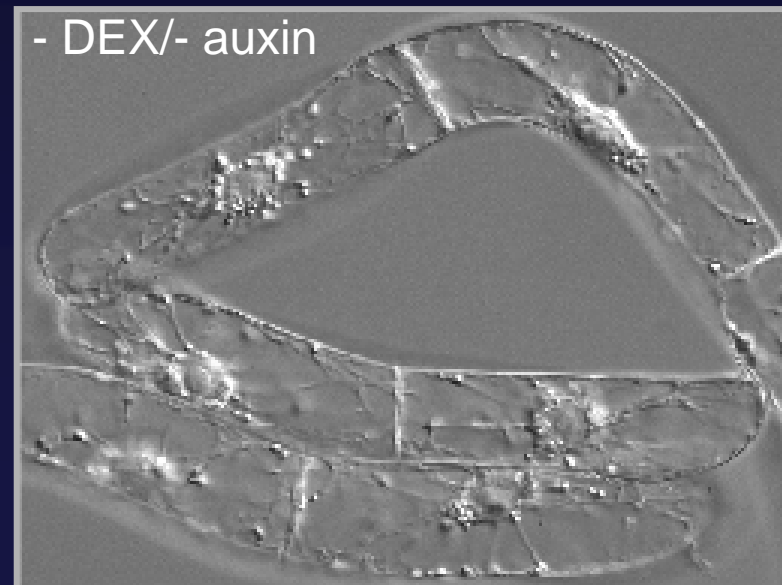
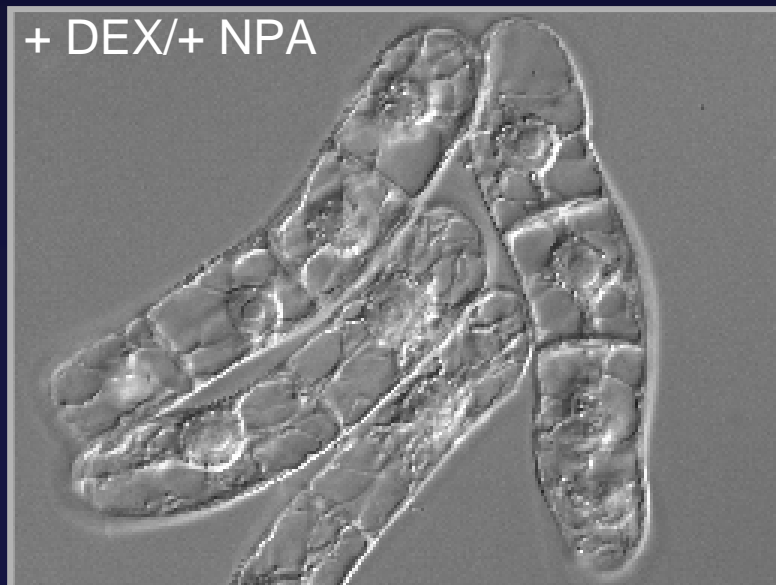
PIN-dependent auxin efflux from GVG-PIN7 tobacco cells



[³H]NAA accumulation in GVG-PIN7 tobacco cells in relation to DEX concentration

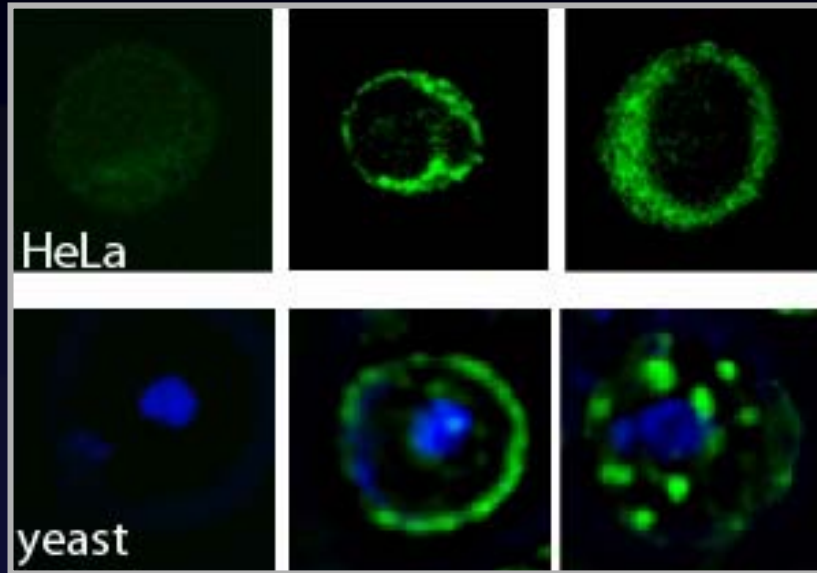


PIN-induced Phenotypes in BY-2 Cells

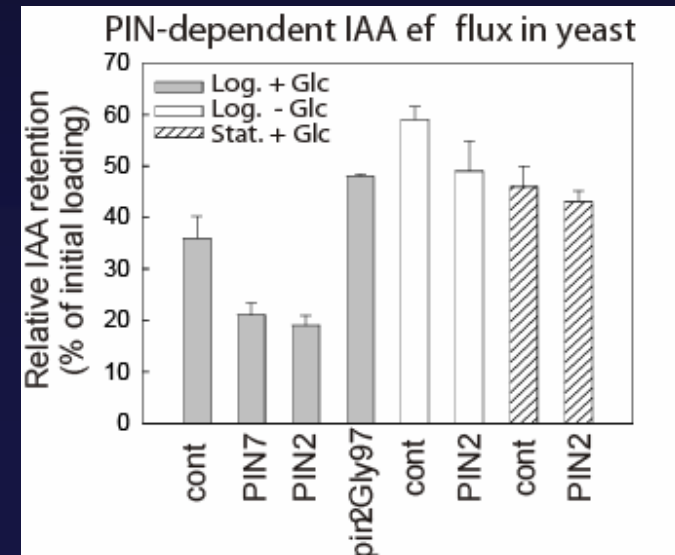
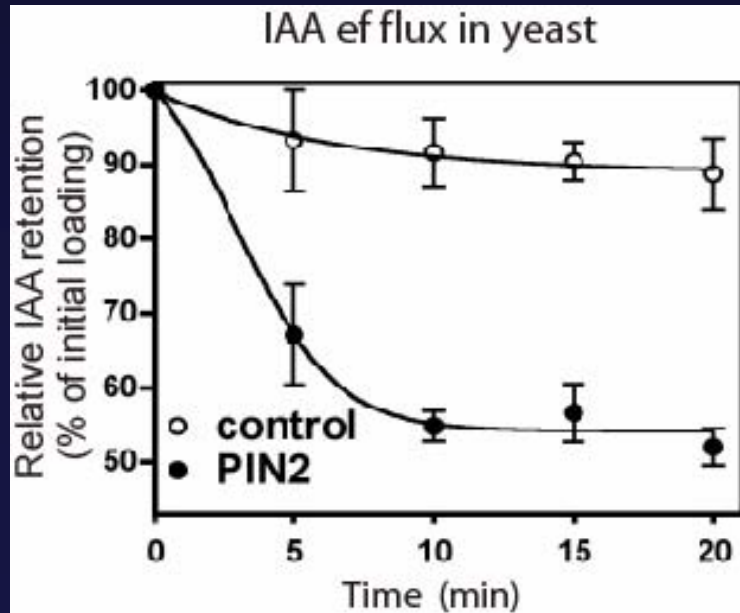
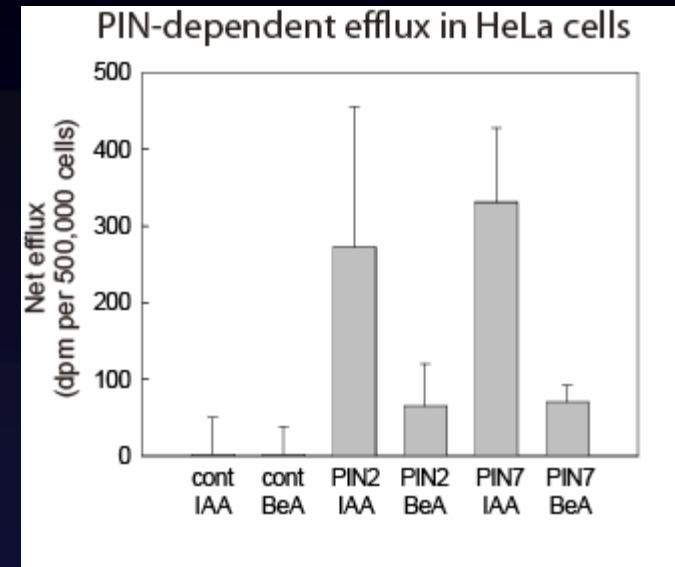


Expression of PINs in HeLa and Yeast

Heterologous PIN2 expression



auxin efflux activity

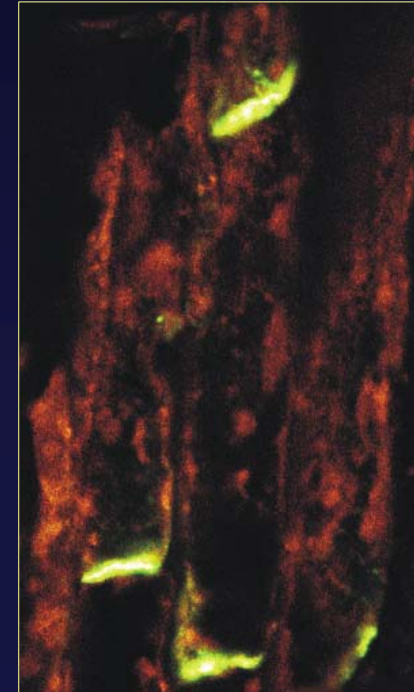
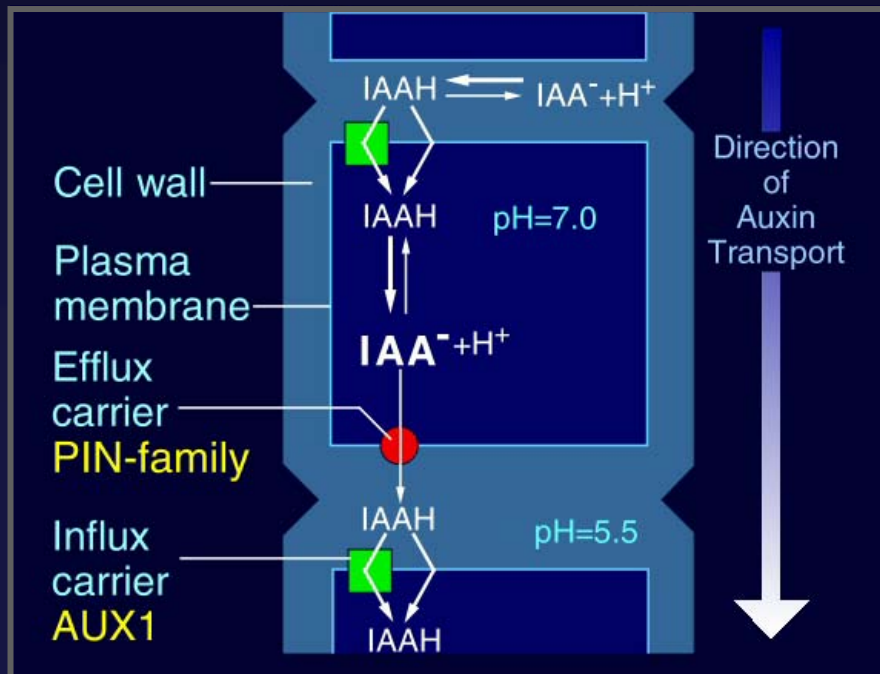


PIN proteins are rate-limiting factors in auxin efflux from cells

and

the polarity of their subcellular localization determines direction of intercellular auxin flow

Cellular Polarity of PIN Localization and Directionality of Intercellular Auxin Flow



PIN-specific Signals for Polar Targeting

PIN2pr::PIN2:HA

PIN2pr::PIN1:HA

PIN2pr::PIN1:GFP

PIN1/PIN2



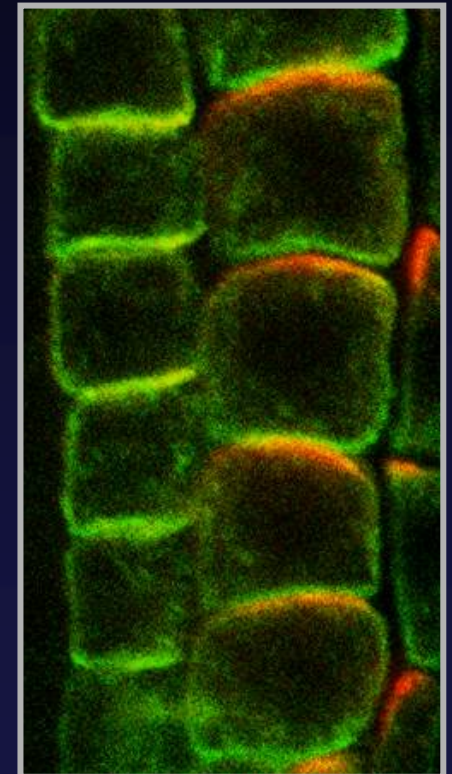
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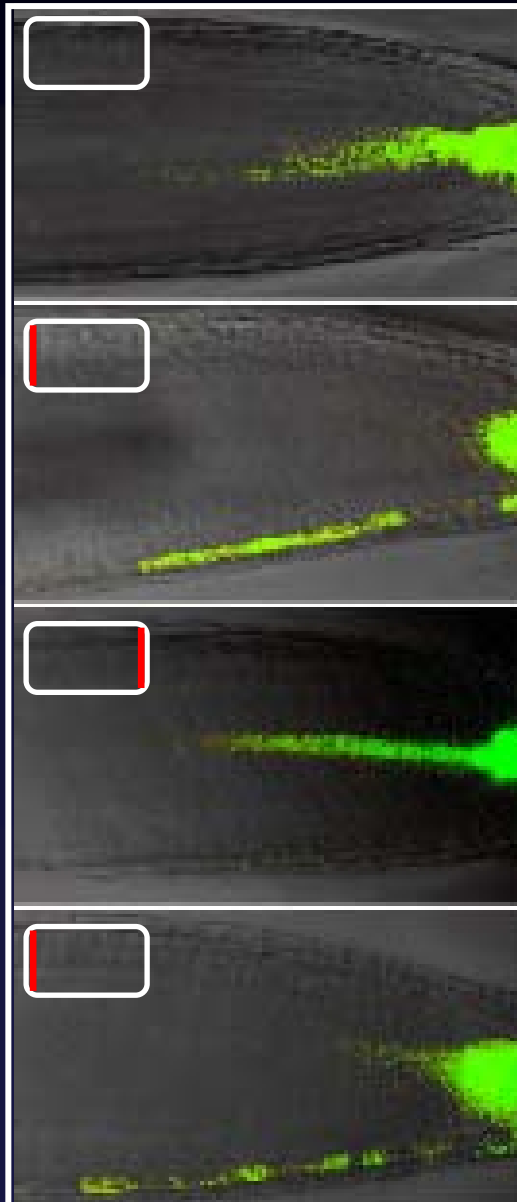
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PIN Polarity Determines Direction of Auxin Flow

gravitropism

DR5rev::GFP

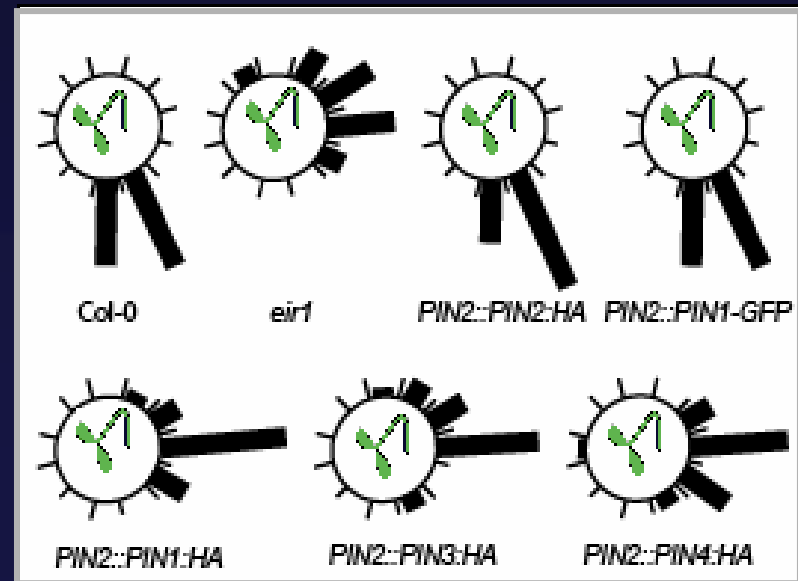
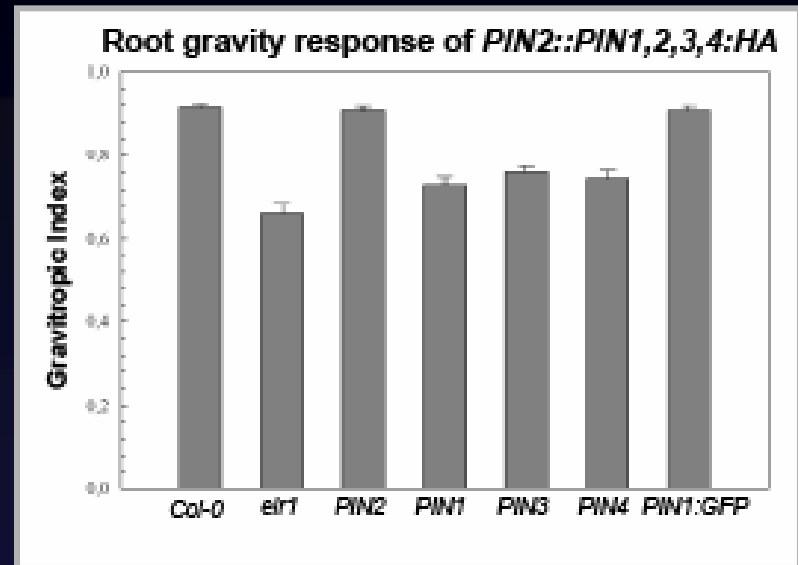


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PIN2::PIN2:HA

PIN2::PIN1:HA
PIN2::PIN1:GFP-2

PIN2::PIN1:GFP-3



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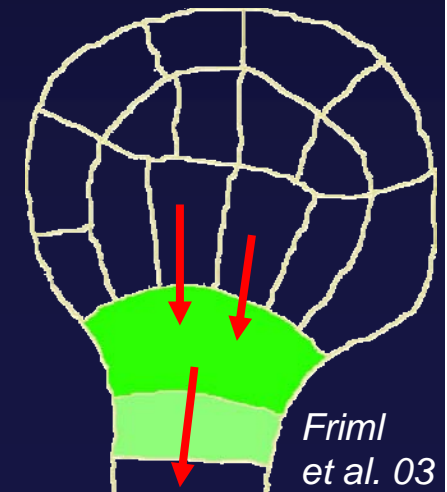
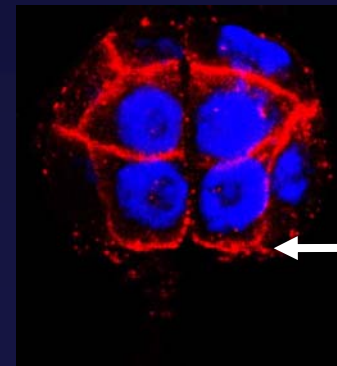
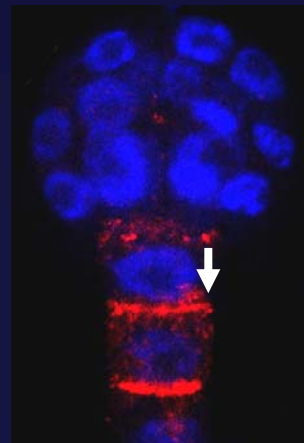
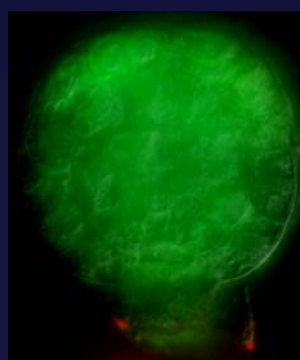
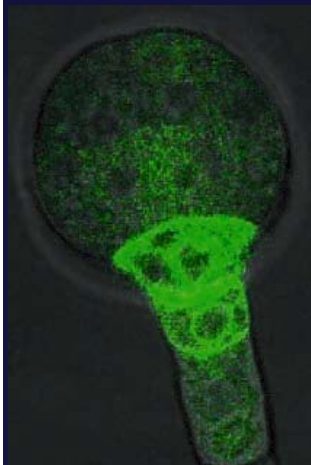
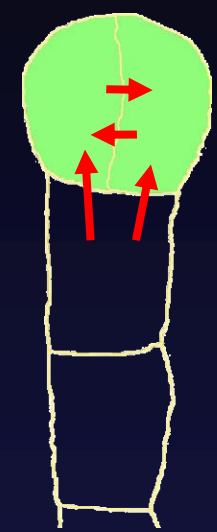
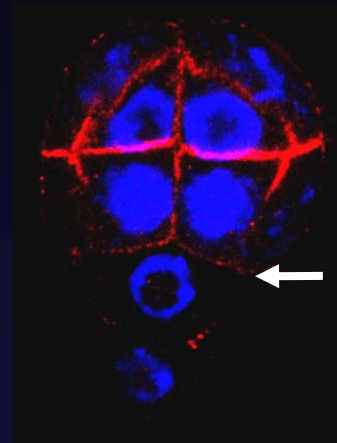
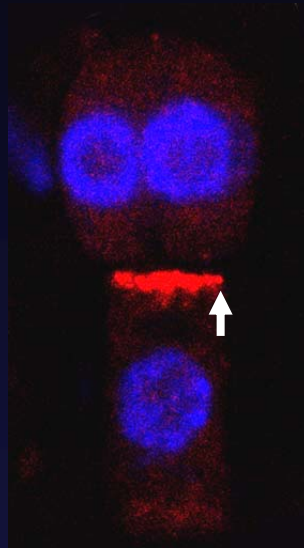
Auxin in Embryonic Apical-Basal Axis Formation

DR5

DR5 + NPA

PIN7

PIN1

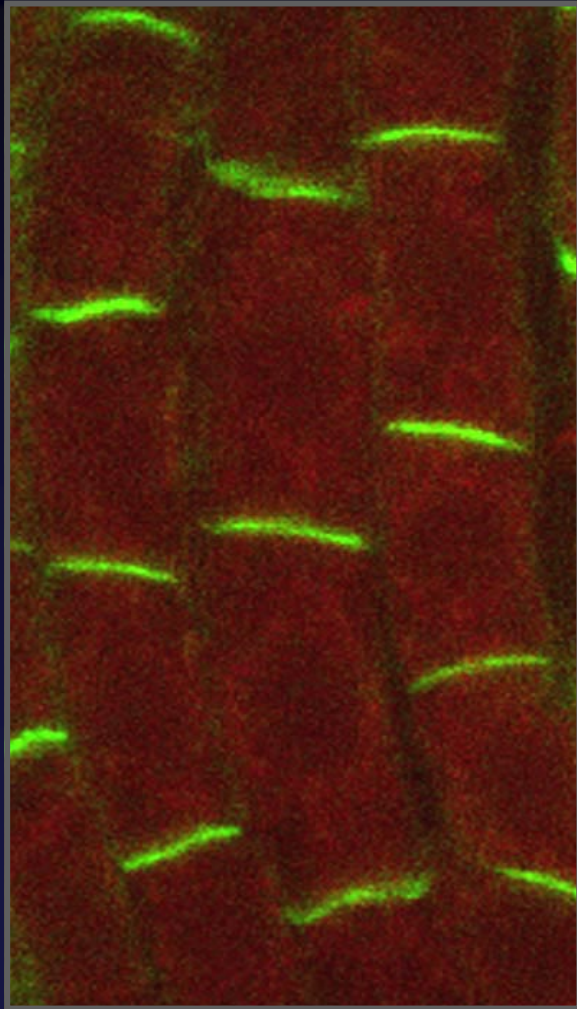


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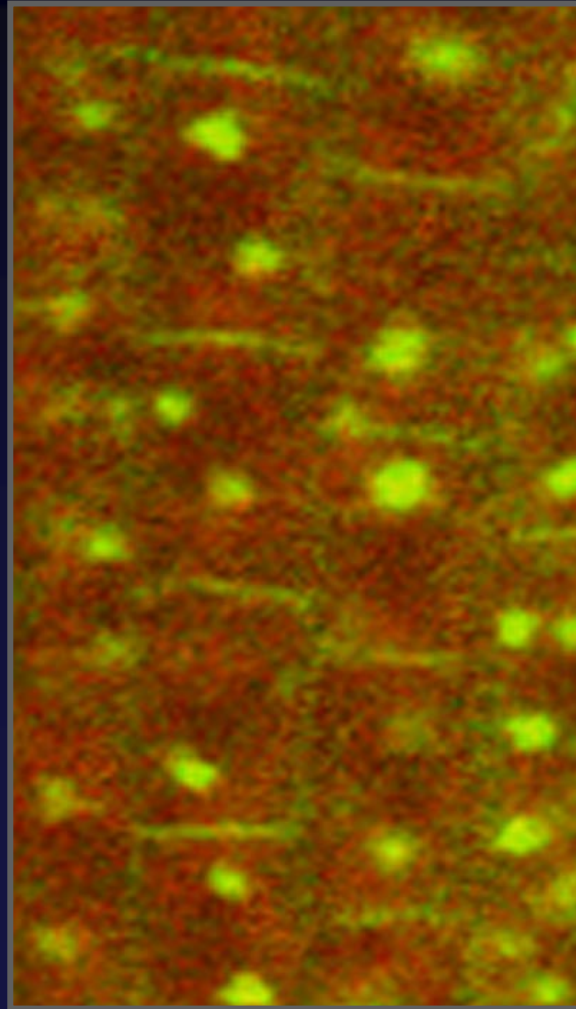
Constitutive Cycling of PINs

PIN1 Subcellular Movement

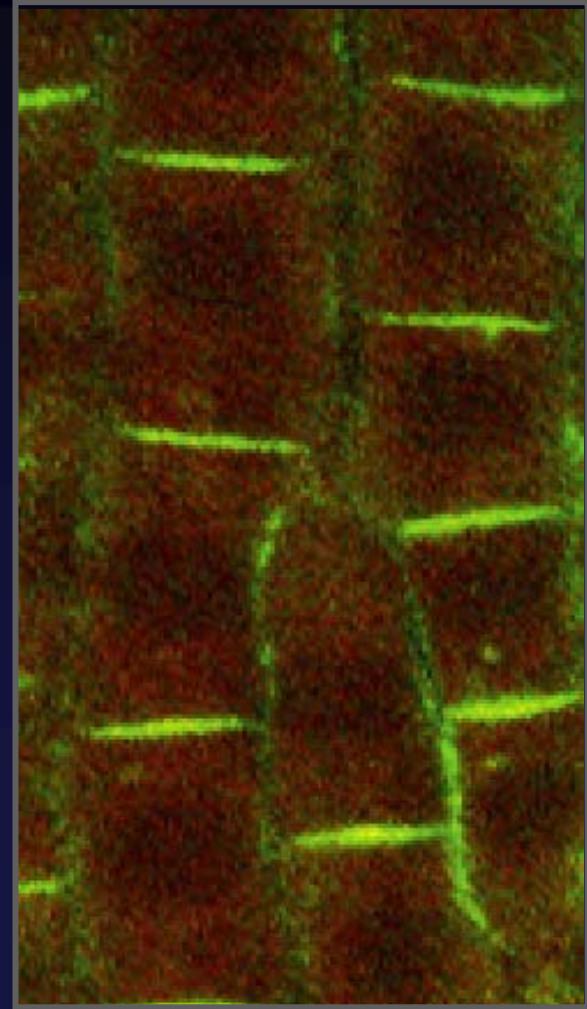
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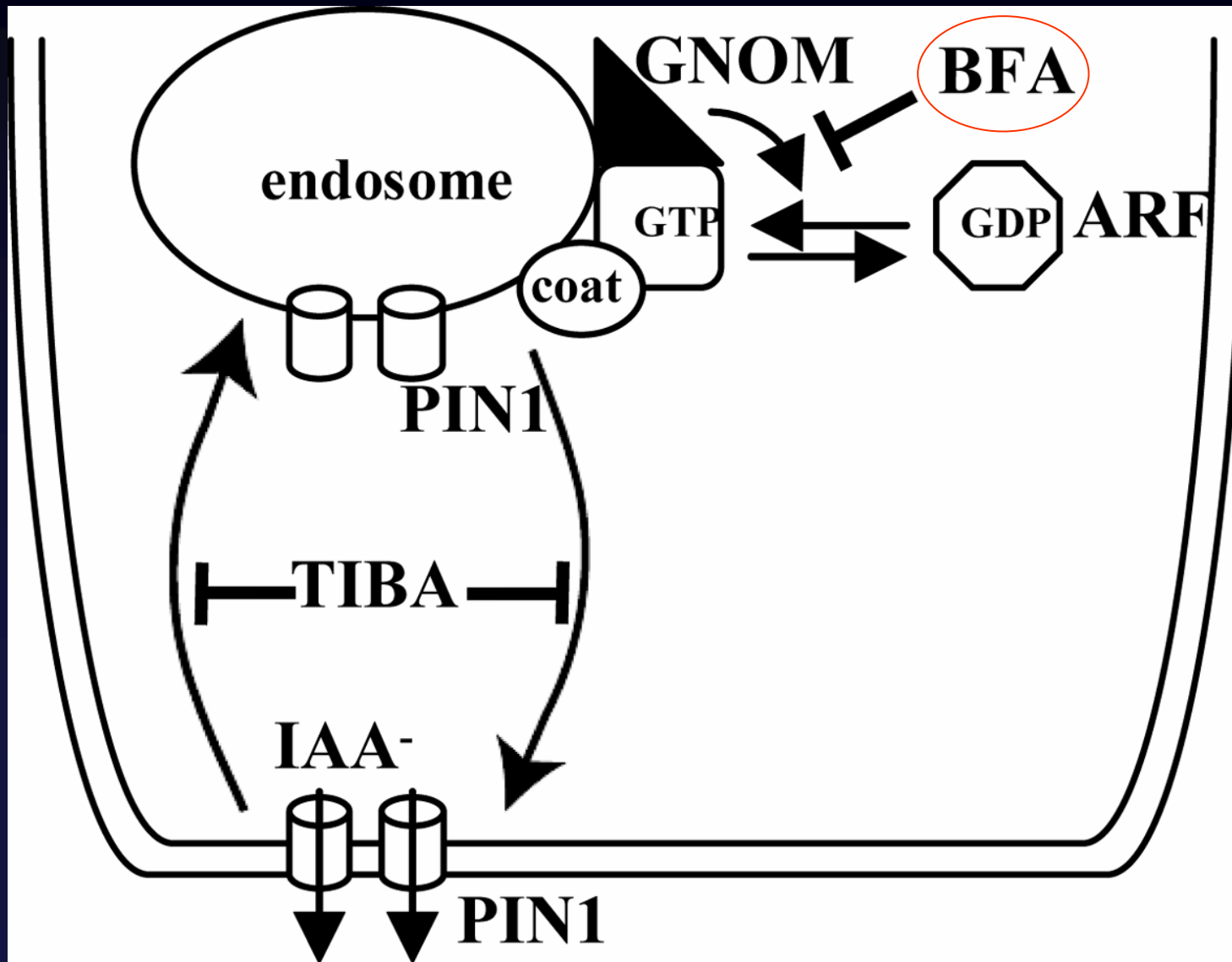
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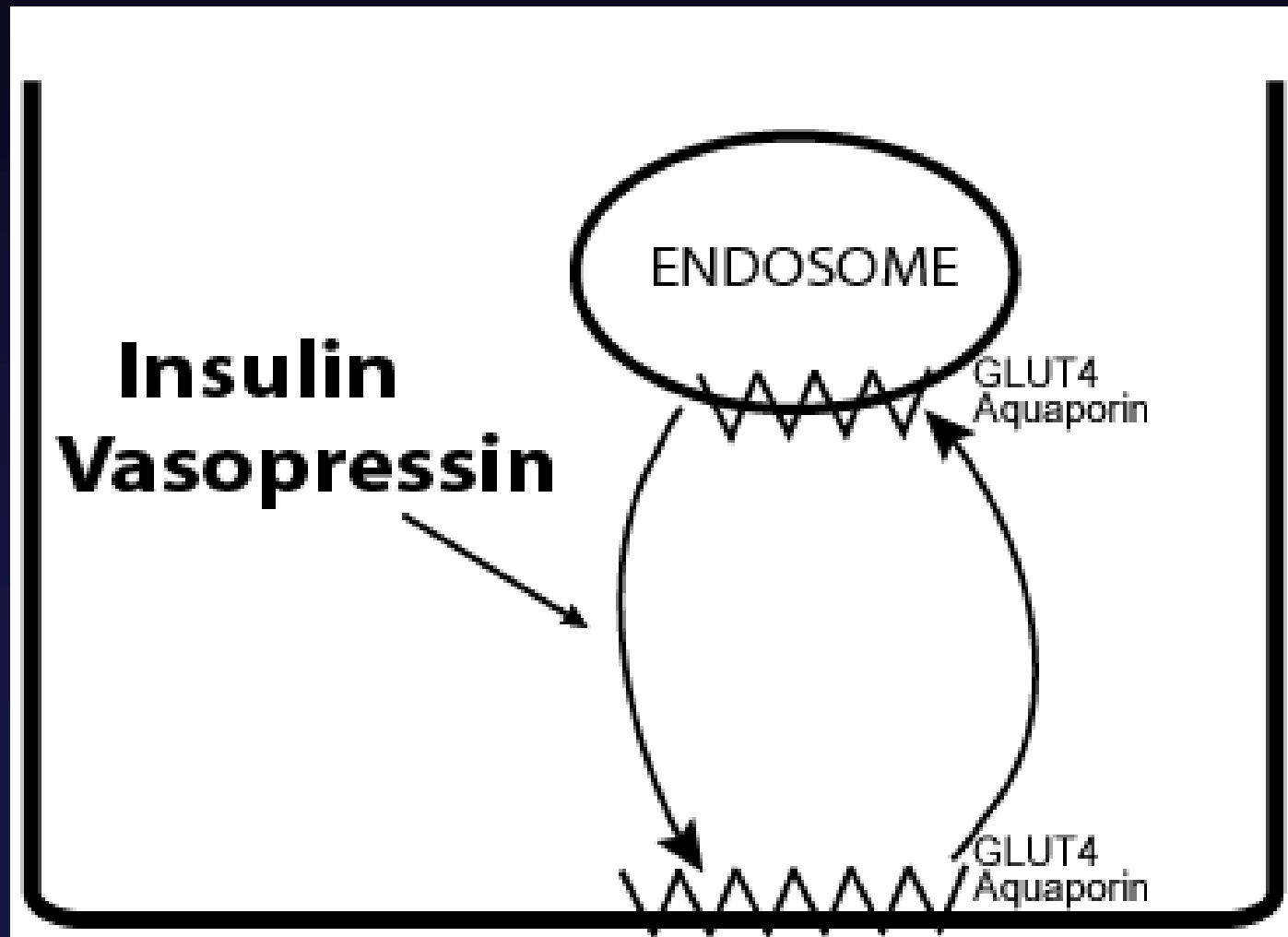
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Dynamic Movement of PIN Proteins

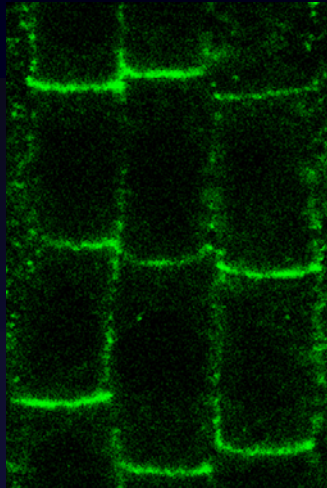


Subcellular Cycling – Means to Modulate Protein Activity?

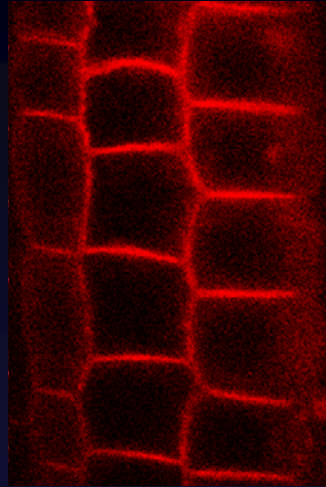


Auxin Inhibits Internalization of Plasma Membrane Proteins

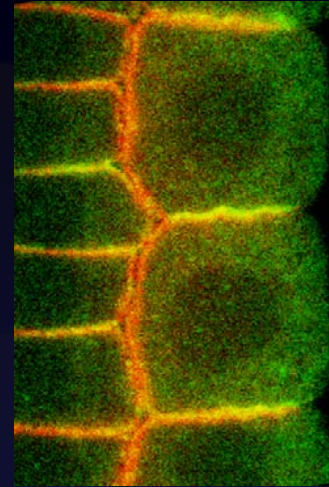
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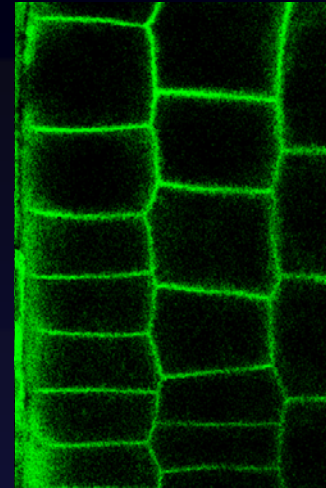
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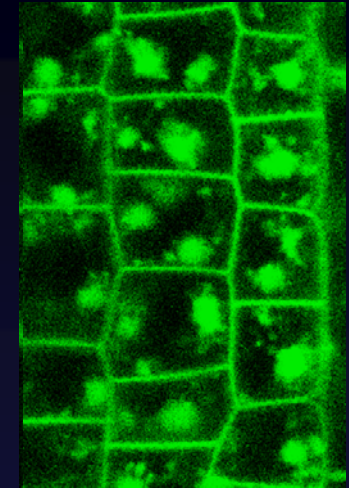
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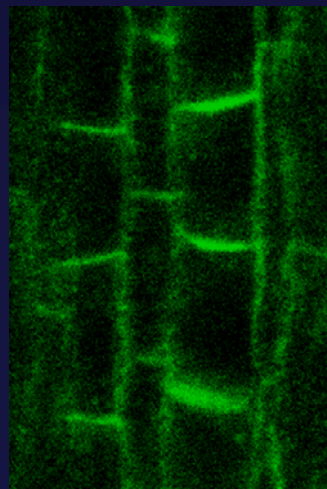


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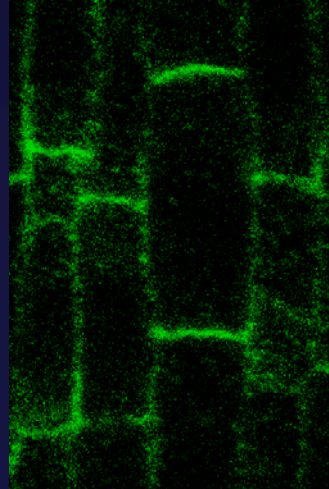


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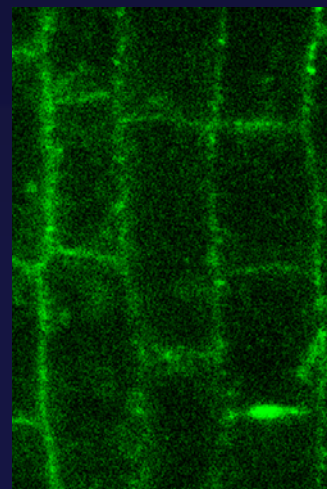
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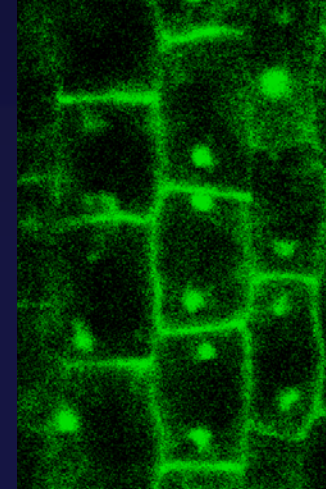
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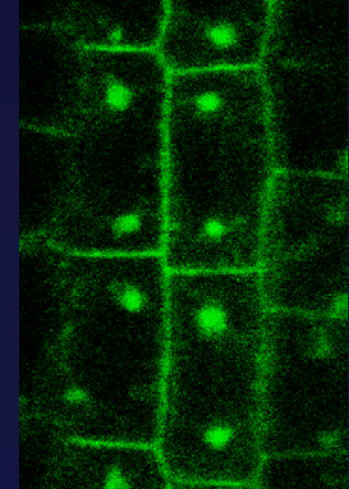
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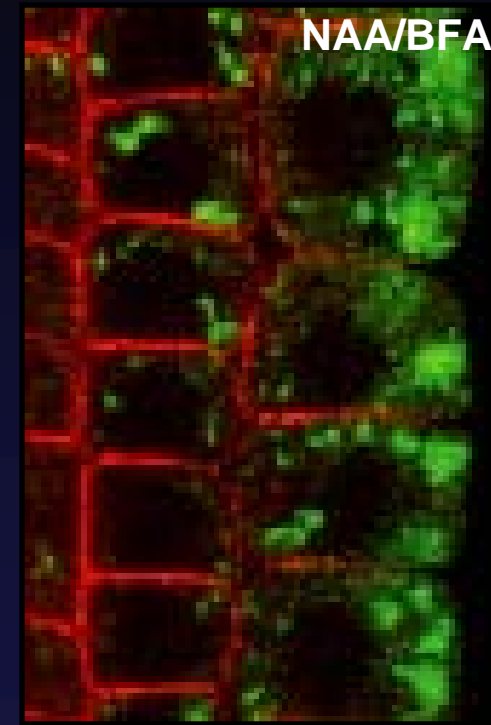
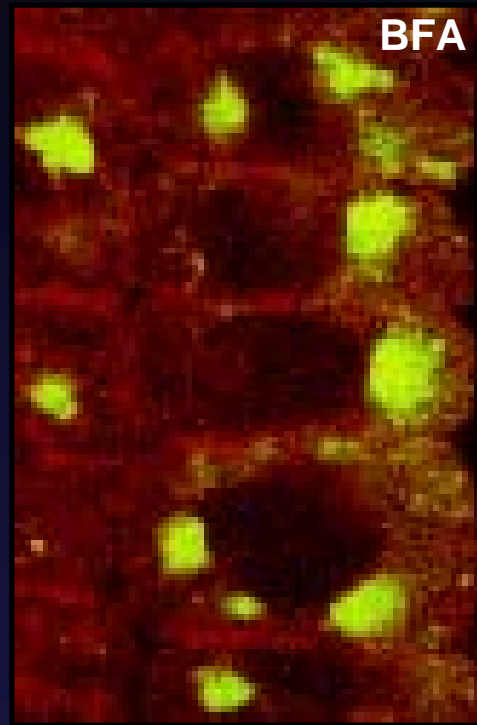
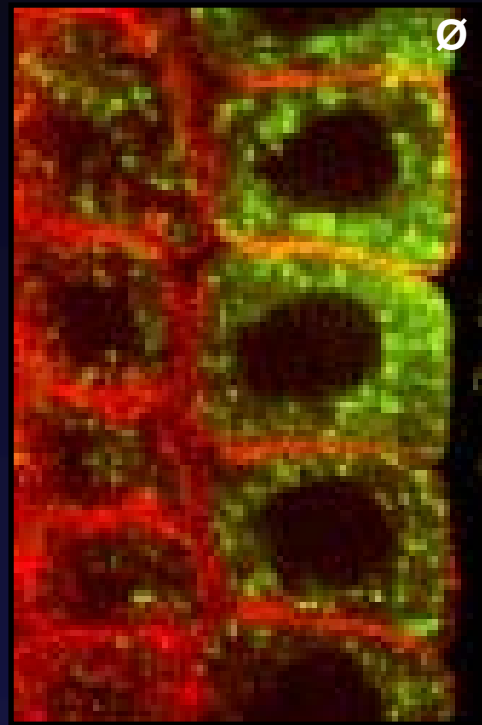
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Auxin Effect on Endosome Trafficking



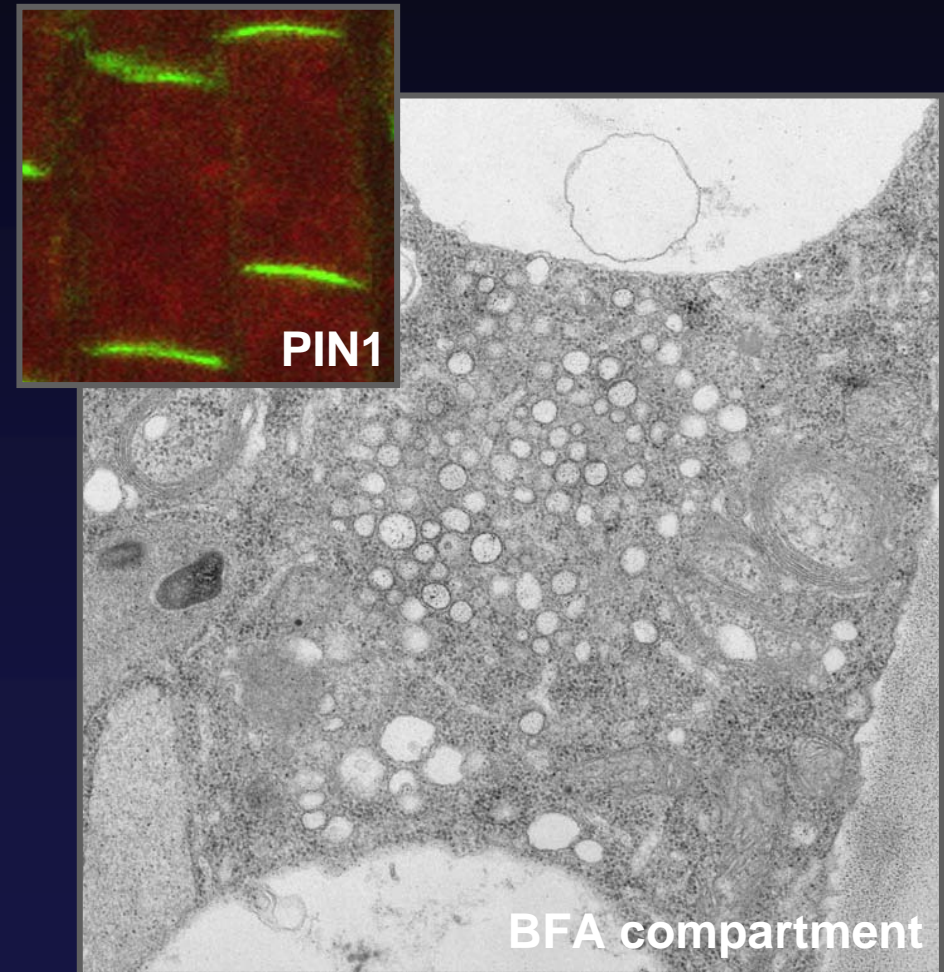
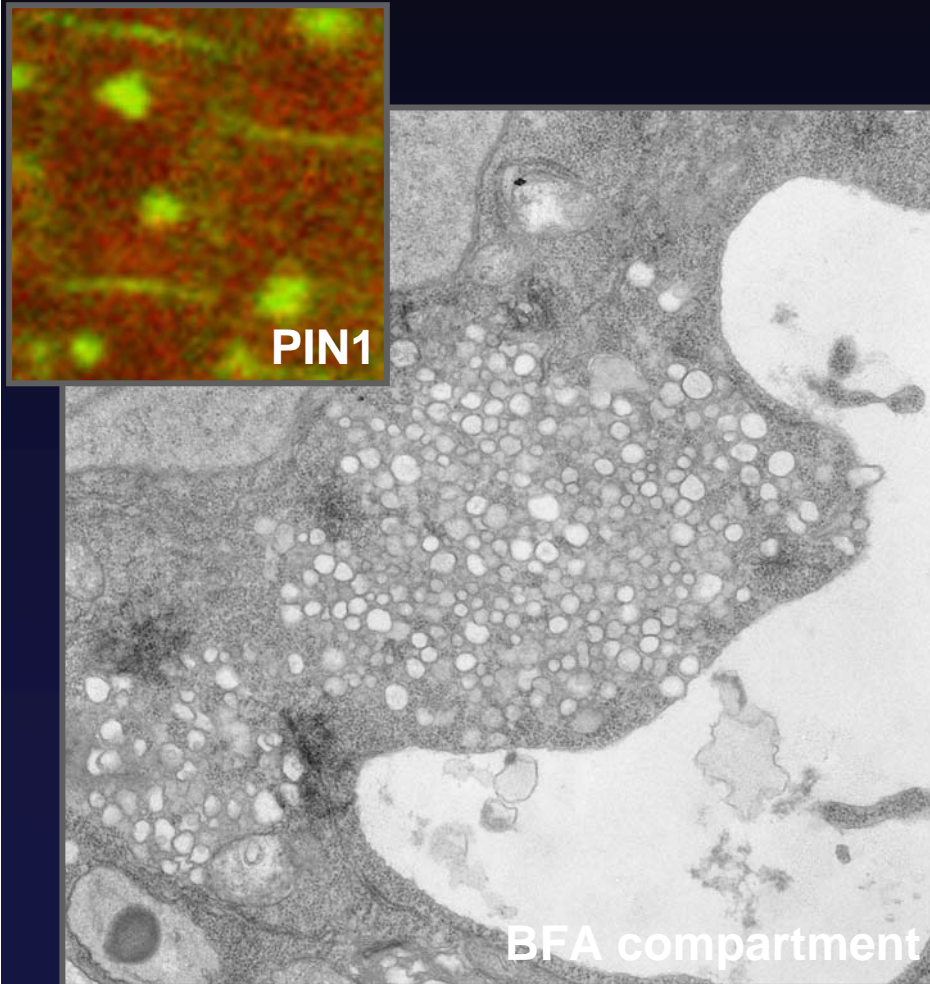
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■ H⁺ATPase

Place of Auxin Action in Protein Cycling

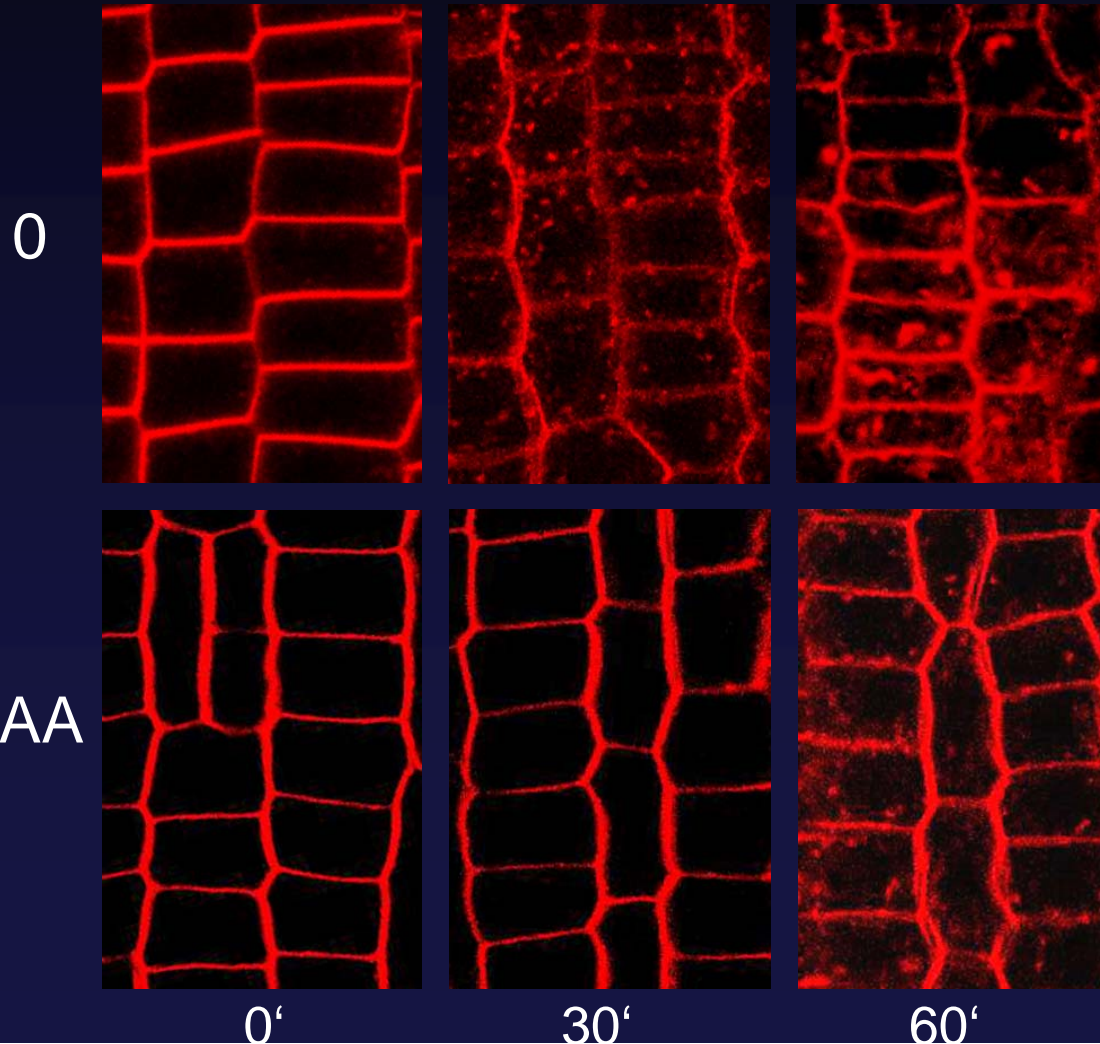
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Auxin + BFA



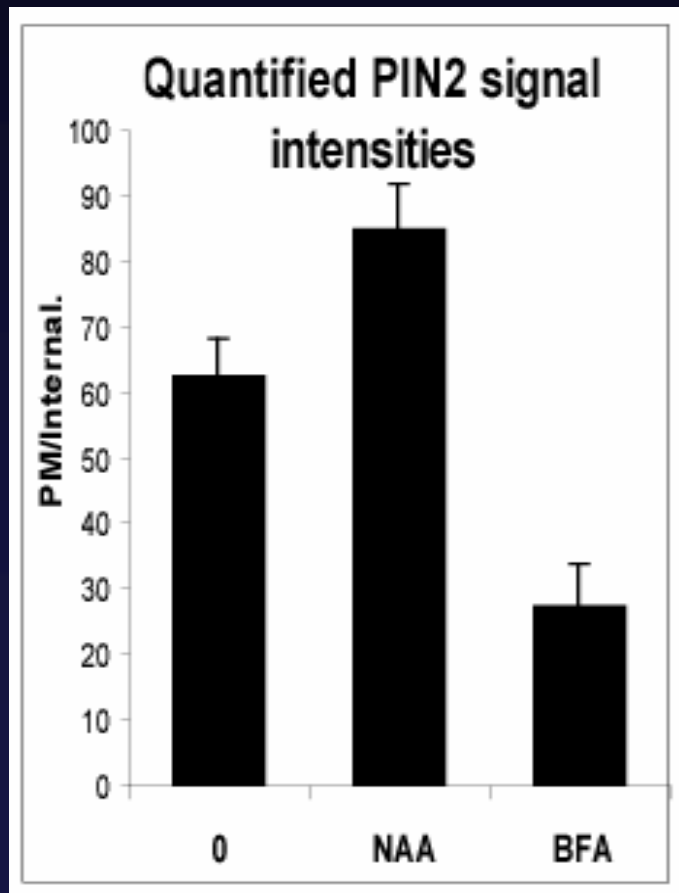
Auxin Inhibits Endocytosis

Uptake of endocytic tracer FM4-64

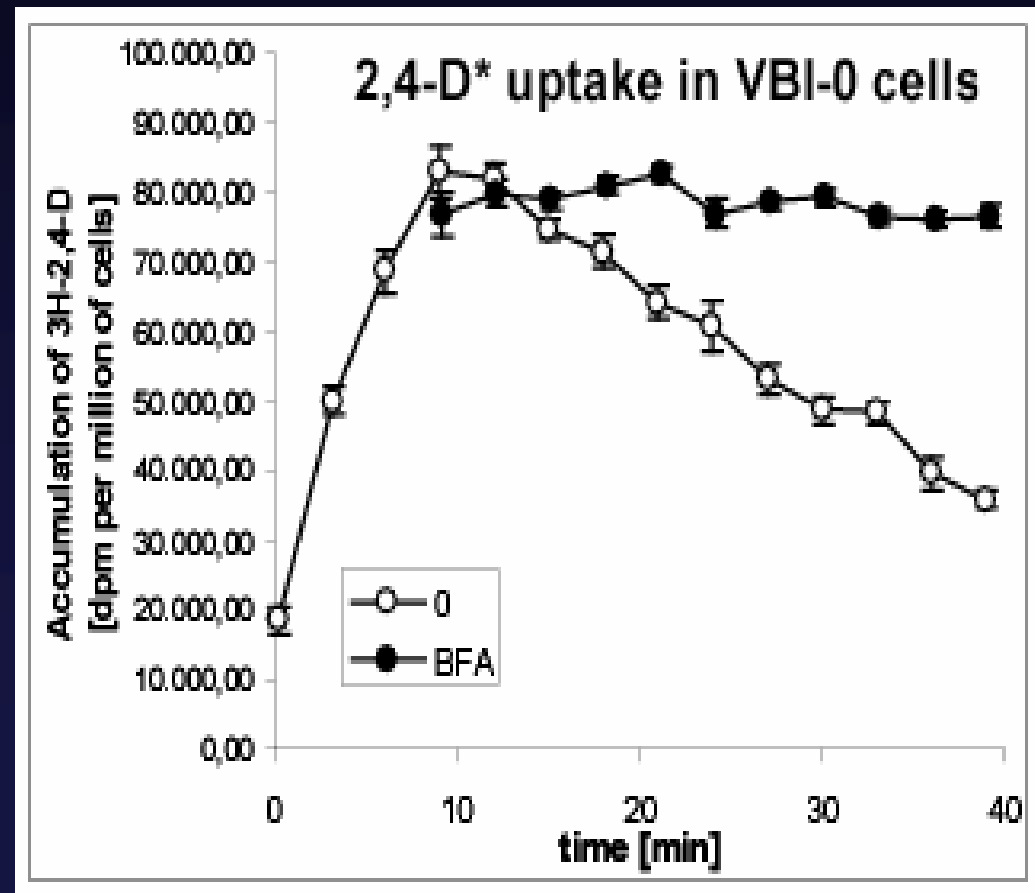


Auxin Increases PIN Levels at Cell Surface and Stimulates its own Efflux

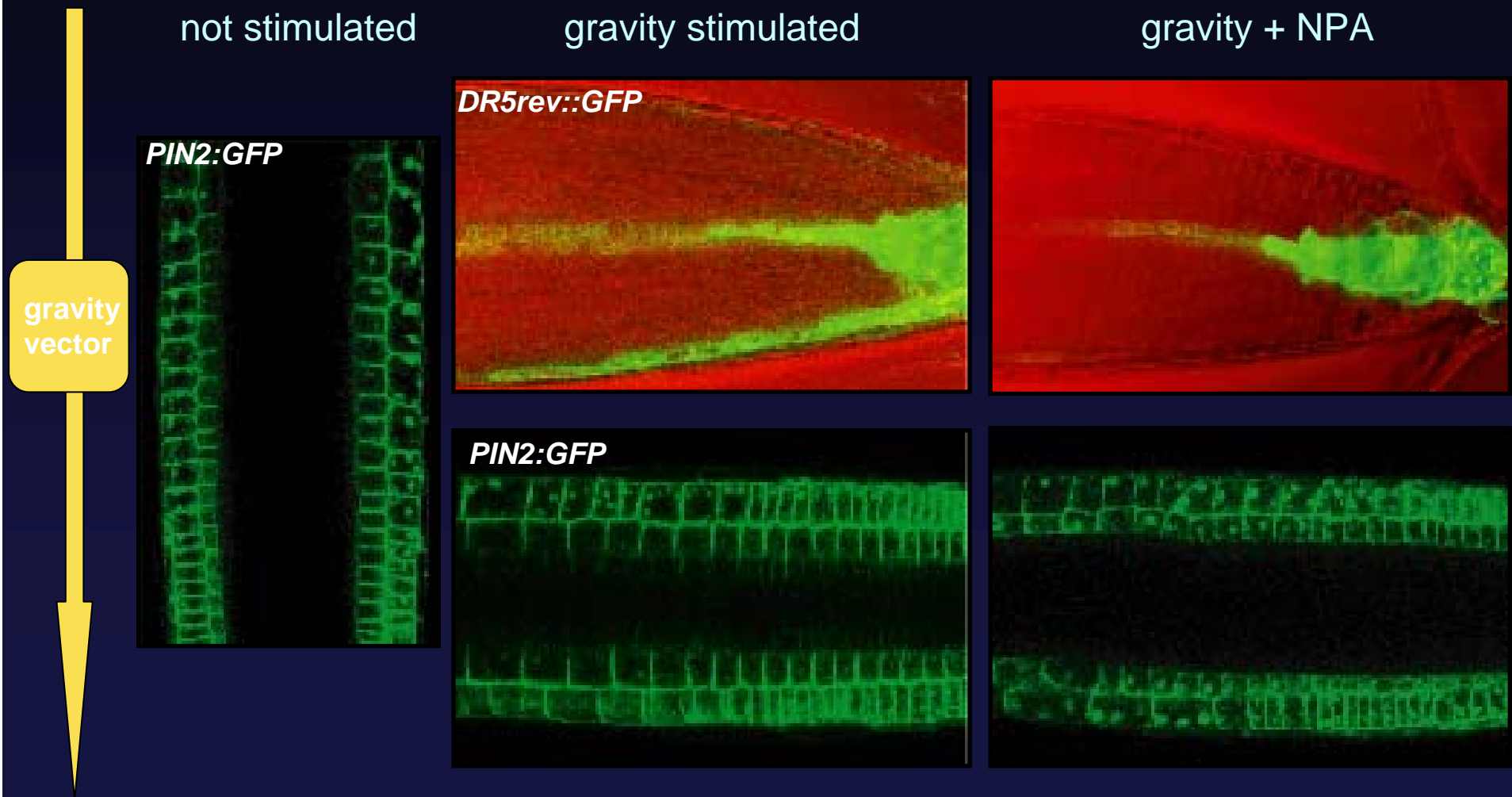
PIN2 levels at PM



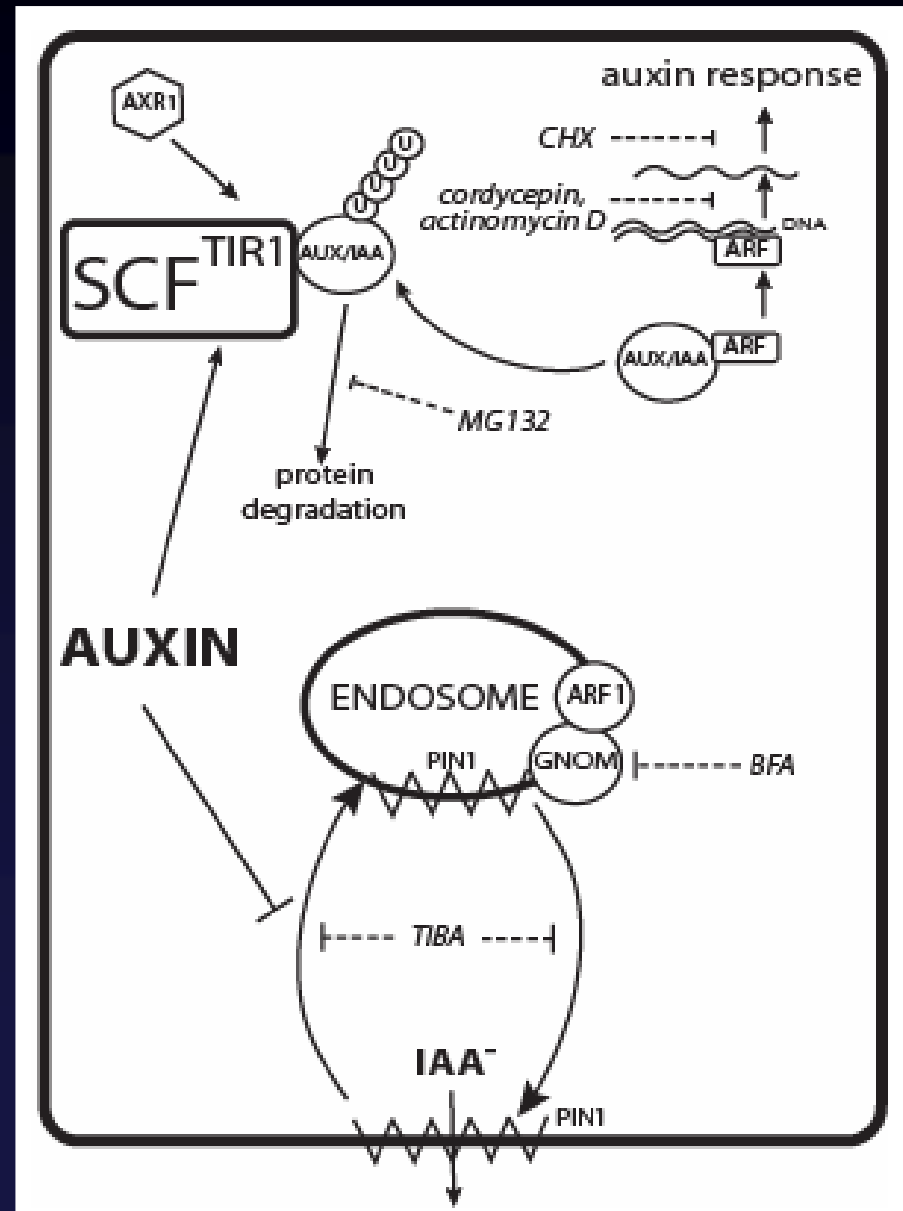
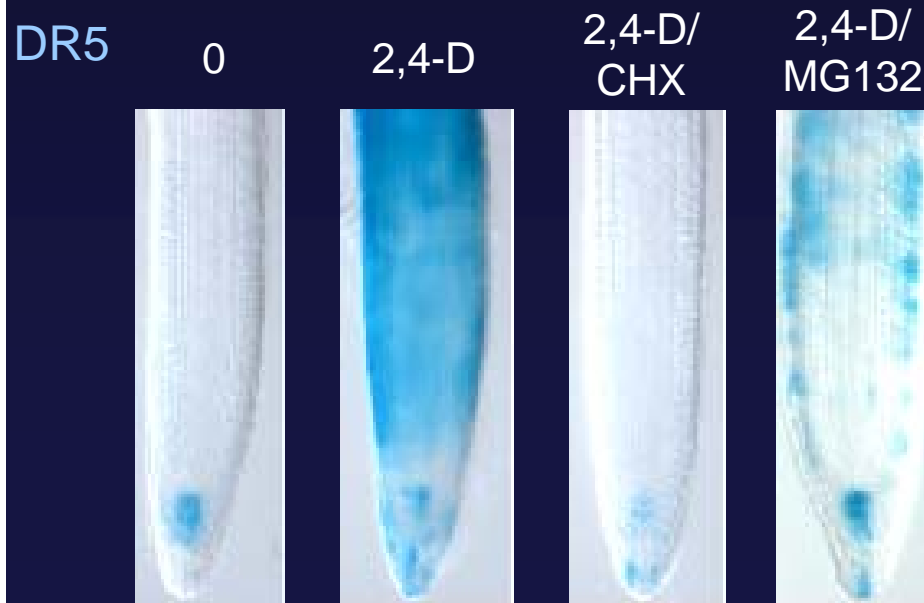
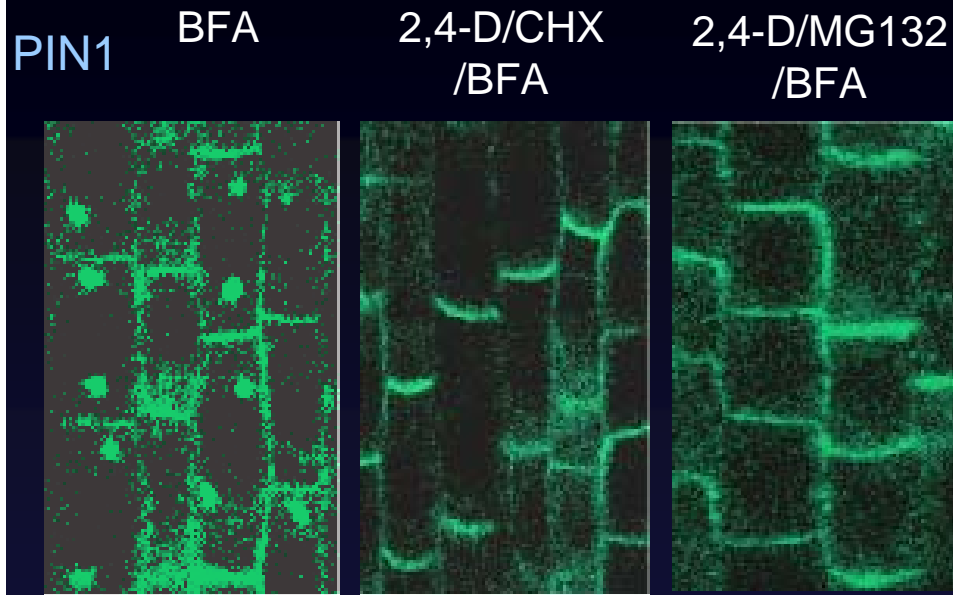
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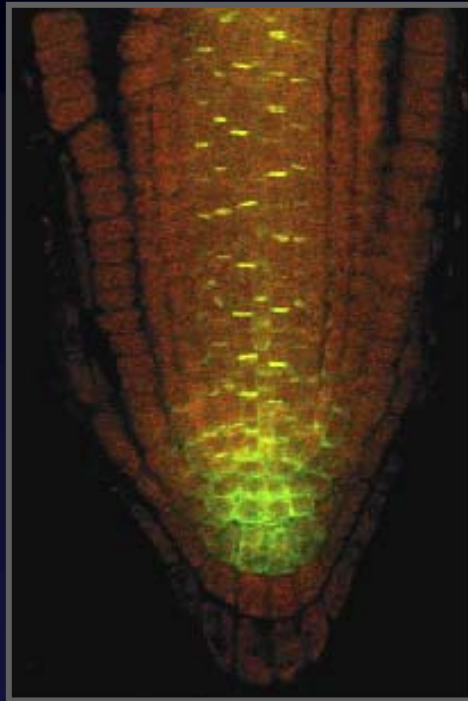
in planta Correlation between Cycling and Auxin Flow



Novel Pathway of Auxin Action



Mutant Screen for Components of PIN Polarity and Cycling



PIN:GFP

EMS mutagenesis.
Screening for
polarity and cycling
defects.

mutant lines

intragenic

extragenic

sequencing

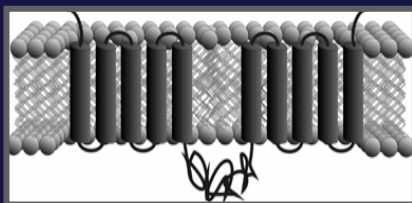
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important
residues

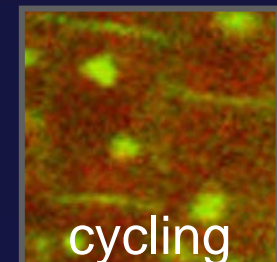
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polarity

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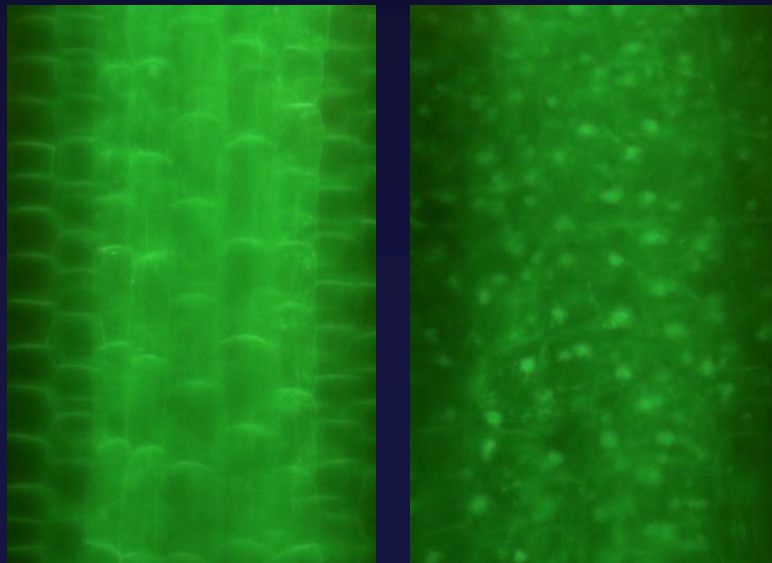
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“Cell Biological” Mutant Screens in Progress:

Auxin effect on endocytosis: 3 confirmed mutants

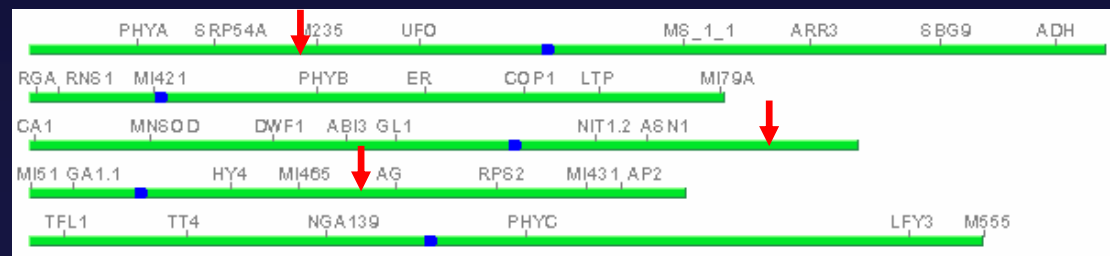
30' NAA 30 μ M/90' BFA 50 μ M



wt

mutant

Auxin-resistant BFA patches mutants



Novel Pathway for Auxin Signaling

Auxin inhibits endocytosis including internalization of PIN proteins

This is mechanism by which auxin stabilizes PINs at the cell surface thus stimulating auxin efflux.

This auxin effect involves novel, genetically tractable auxin pathway