

CG920 Genomics

Lesson 4

Forward Genetics

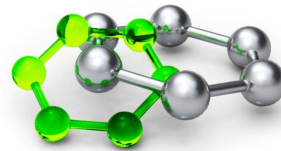
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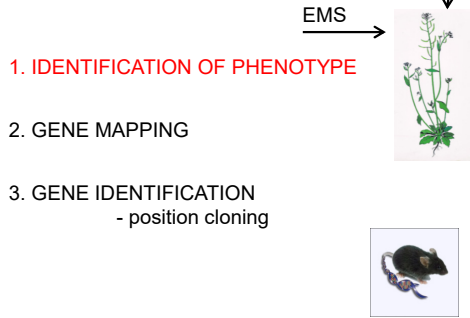
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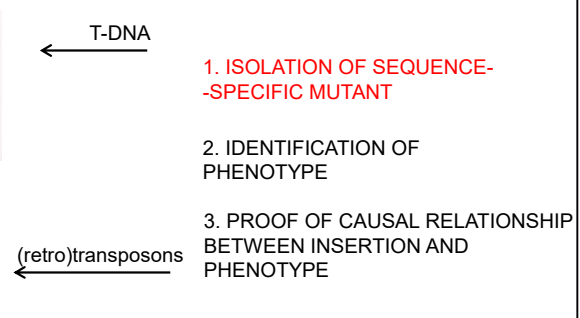
„Classical“ genetics *versus* „reverse genetics“
approaches in functional genomics

RANDOM MUTAGENESIS

„Classical genetics“ approach



„Reverse genetics“ approach

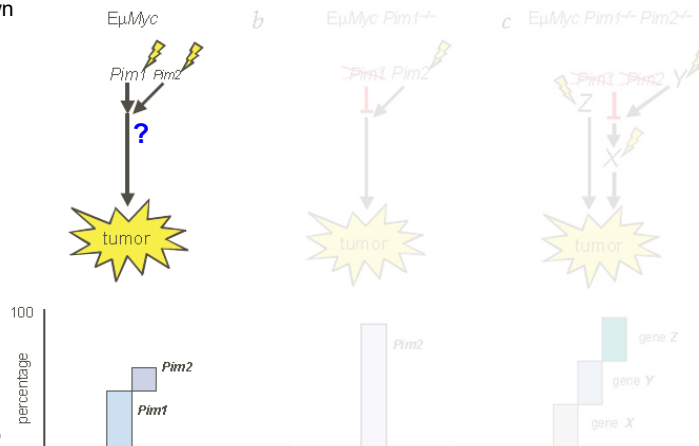


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- Use of insertional mutagenesis for study of carcinogenesis
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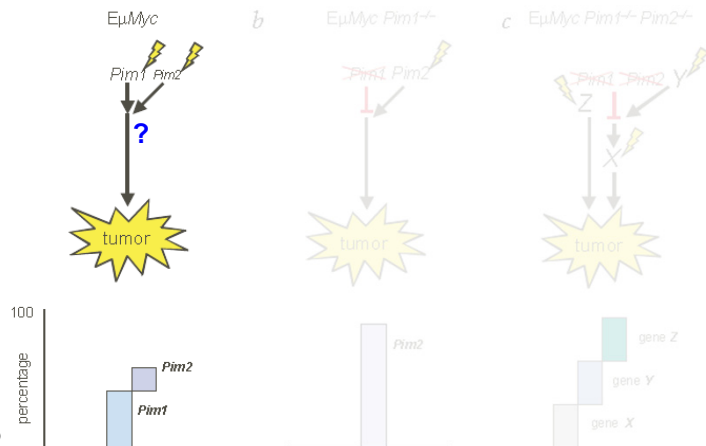


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Mikkers et al., Nature Gen (2002)

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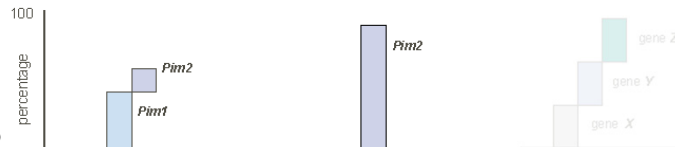
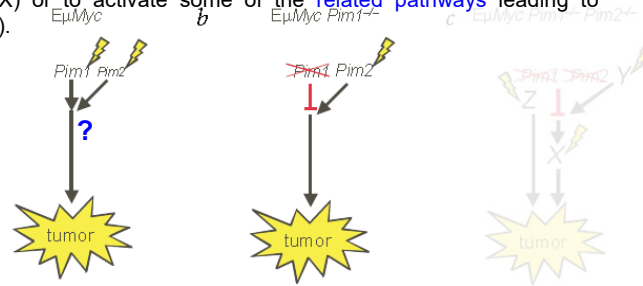


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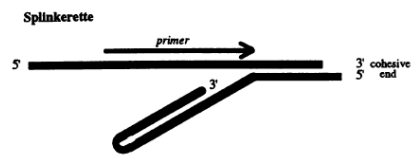
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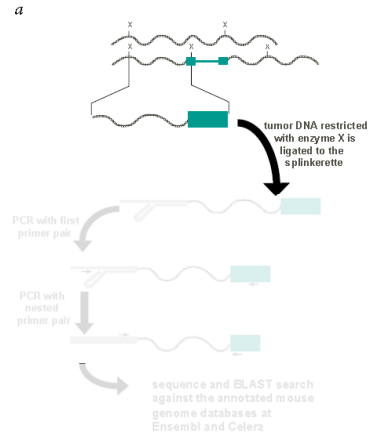
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- Isolation of genomic regions adjacent to the insertion site of the provirus
 - Cleavage of genomic DNA and ligation of special linkers, so-called *splinkerettes* (increasing the specificity of amplification)



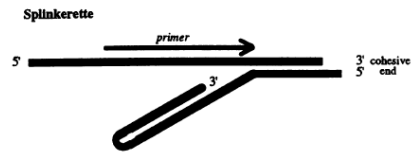
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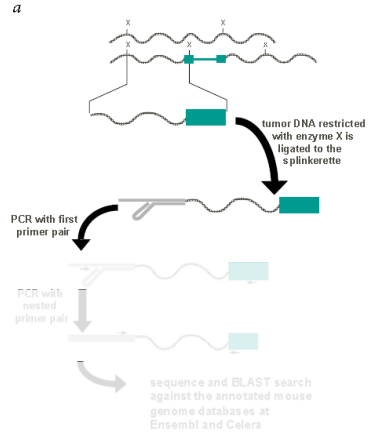


Insertional mutagenesis in forward genetics approaches

- Isolation of genomic regions adjacent to the insertion site of the provirus
 - First amplification using specific primers



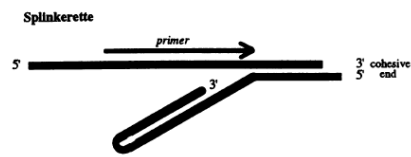
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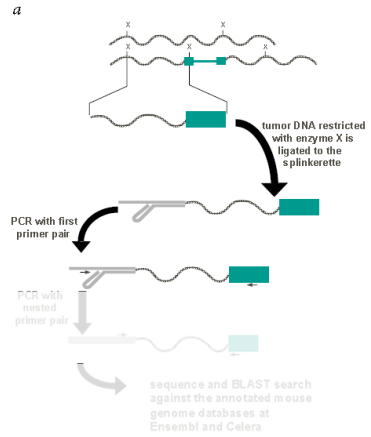
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 - Second amplification using **nested primers** (increasing the specificity)



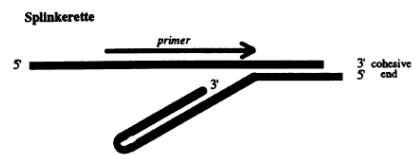
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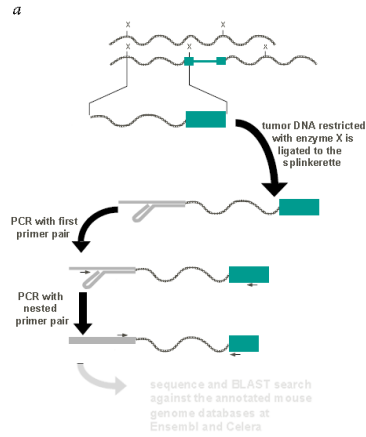
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Insertional mutagenesis in forward genetics approaches

- Isolation of genomic regions adjacent to the insertion site of the provirus
 - Sequencing and localization of regions adjacent to provirus by searching in annotated databases of mouse genome



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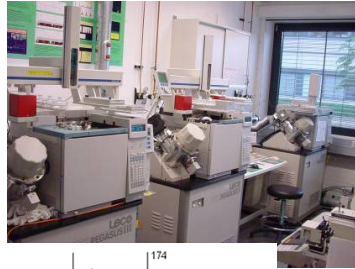
In case of splinkerette, the primer is of the same sequence as the top strand and therefore it is unable to act as a primer until the complement of this strand has been synthesized (from the insert-specific primer at the right-hand side).

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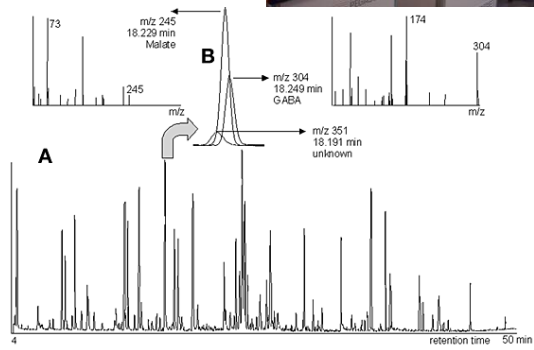
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- Metabolic profiling of plants
 - Automated analysis of metabolites (up to 25.000) by GC-MS techniques in libraries of T-DNA mutants

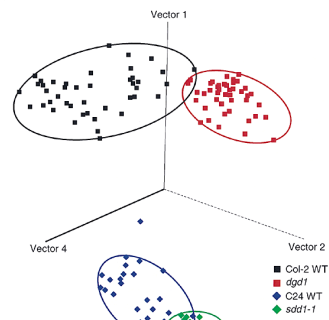


Retention Time (min)	m/z	Abundance	Identification
1.23	73	100	
1.45	245	50	
18.229	245	100	Malate
18.249	304	80	GABA
18.191	351	60	unknown
17.4	174	40	
18.04	304	30	



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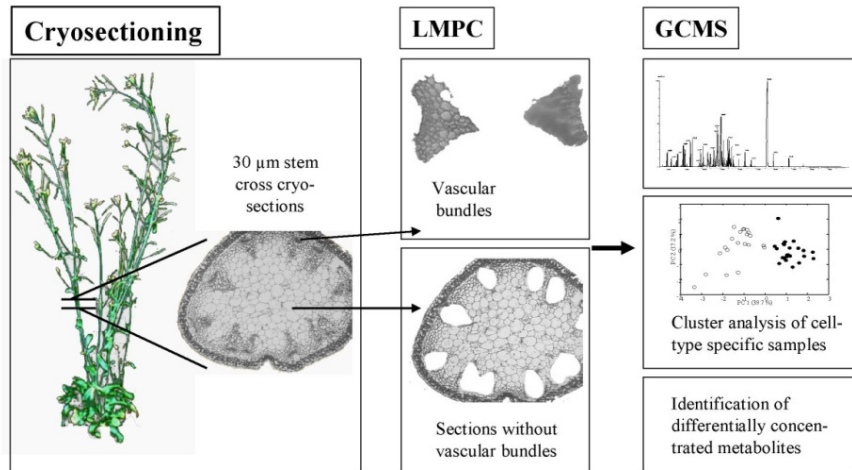
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 - Fast and easy isolation of genes through identification of sequences adjacent to T-DNA



Metabolic profiling

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 - Possibility to use special techniques, e.g. [microdissection](#)

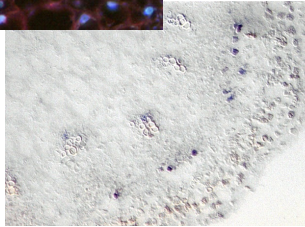
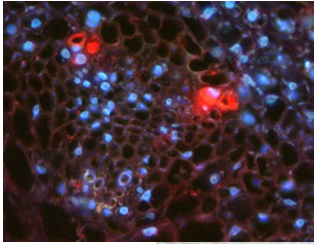


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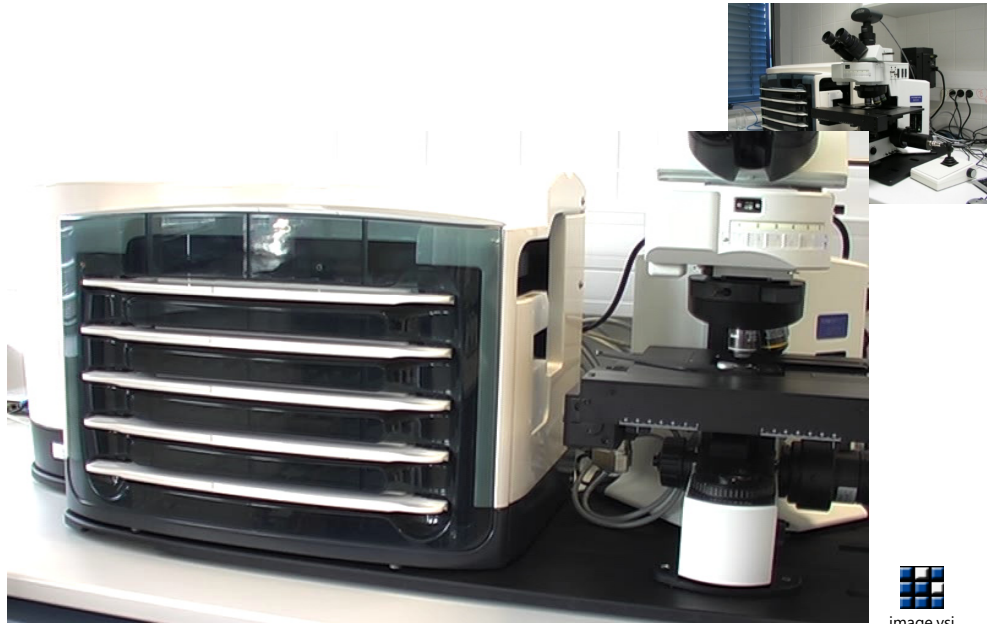
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Expression profile

- Identification of mutants with a change in the expression profile
 - Analysis of *expression profile* (*pattern*) of the gene and identification of *mutants with altered expression pattern*
 - Possibility of *partial automation* (virtual digital microscopy)

Automated Microscopy Screening



Dobisova and Hejatkó, *Methods in Mol Biol*, 2014



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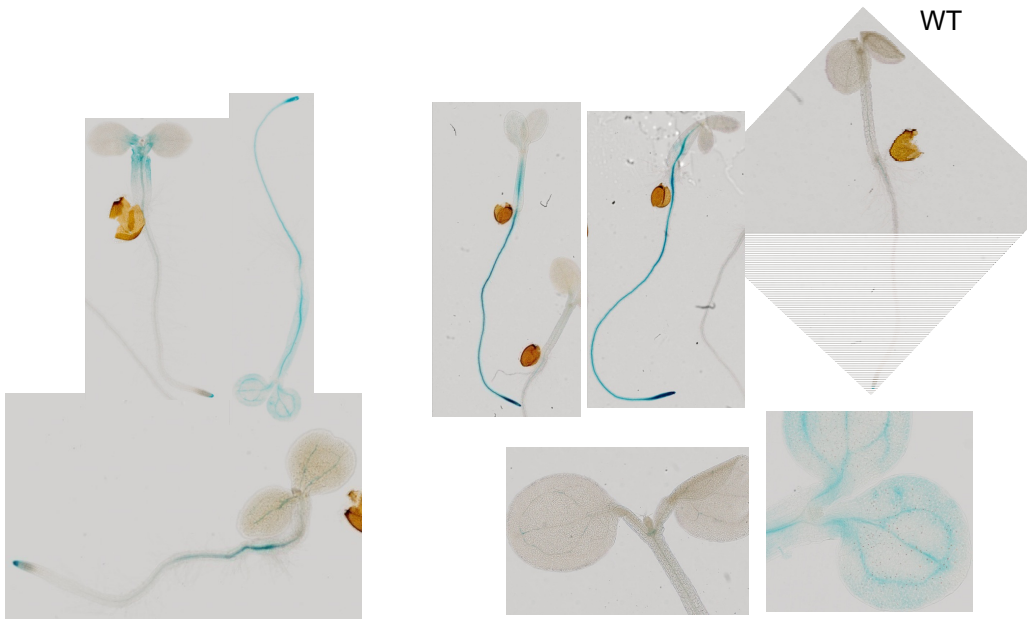
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Tady by mohla být reference zpět na CEITEC, jaké skvělé vybavení v něm je a jak dobře se vám s tím pracuje

Pokud tam nezůstane video, ikonu bych dala pryč

Expression profile



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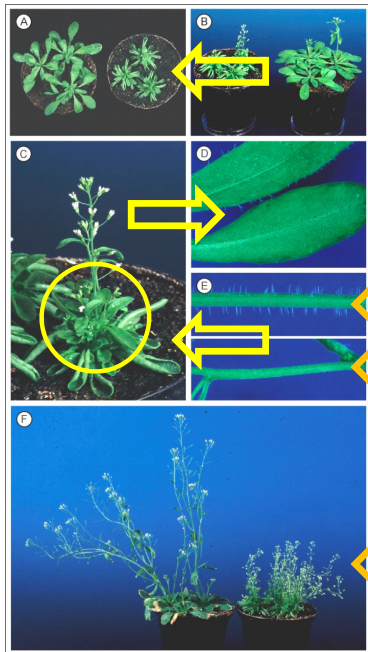
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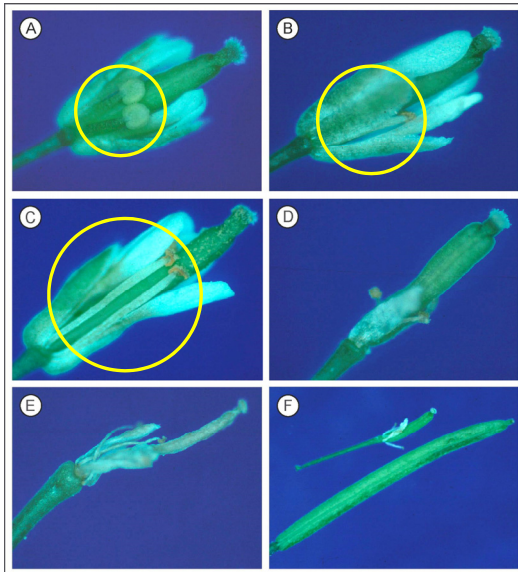
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 - Description of phenotype

Identification of mutant



- Crinkled leaves
- Bushy phenotype (branching defective)
- No trichomes on leaves and stems
- Late senescence

Identification of mutant



- Male sterility, defects in stamen filament elongation (A,B)

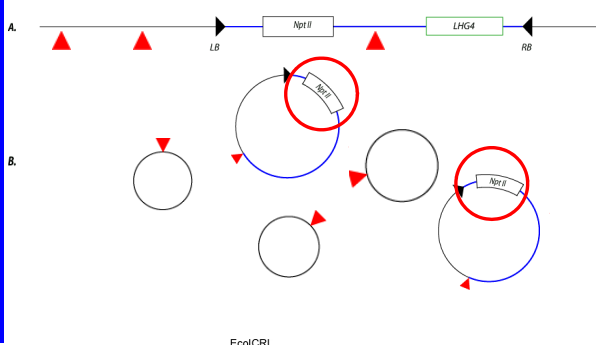
(compare with wild type C)

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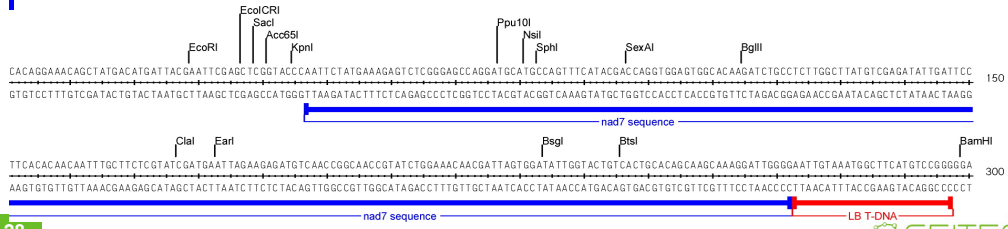
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 - Identification of T-DNA mutated region

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1. Identification of region of genomic DNA adjacent to the *left border* using *plasmid rescue*

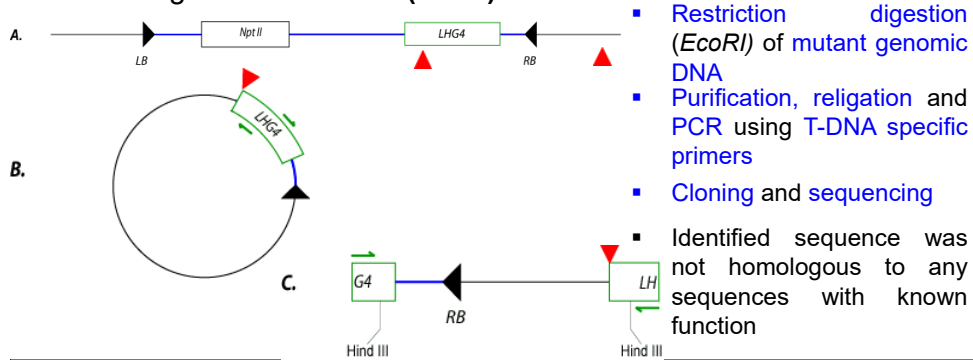


- Restriction digestion (*EcoRI*) of mutant genomic DNA
- Religation and transformation of *E. coli*
- Isolation of plasmid DNA from positively selected clones
- Identified sequence was identical to gene for *NAD7* coded by *mtDNA*

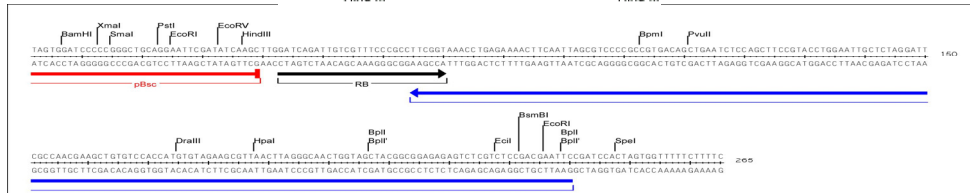


Identification of mutated locus

2. Identification of region of genomic DNA adjacent to the *right border* using *inversion PCR* (iPCR)



- Restriction digestion (*EcoRI*) of mutant genomic DNA
- Purification, religation and PCR using T-DNA specific primers
- Cloning and sequencing
- Identified sequence was not homologous to any sequences with known function

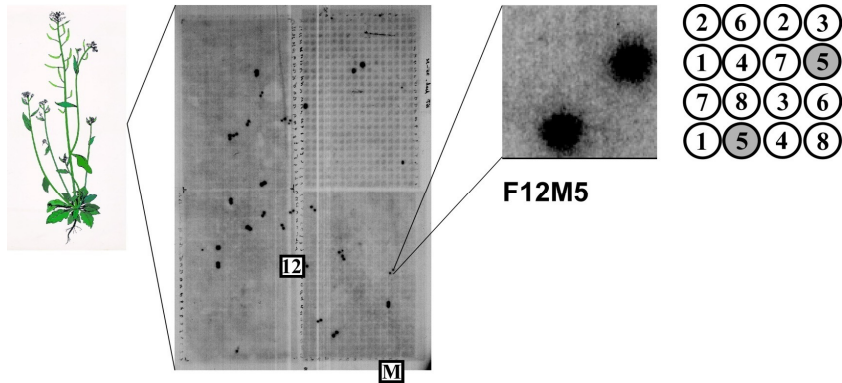


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 - Localization of T-DNA insertion site in *Arabidopsis* genome

Searching in library IGF-BAC

- Genome library containing 10.752 clones with an average size of an insert of 100 kb
- Bacterial clones arranged in the microtiter plates
- Library loaded onto nylon filters for hybridization with the radiolabeled probe



Mapping with IGF-BAC database

I. Sequences adjacent to the left border of T-DNA

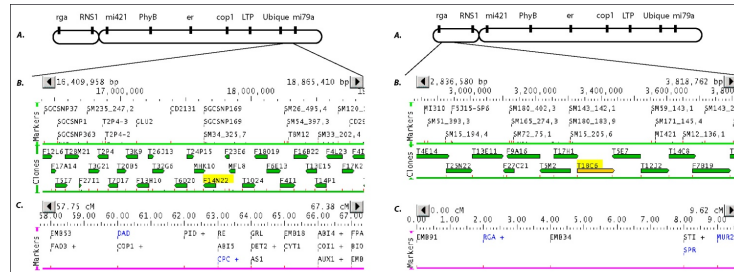
- 28 positively hybridizing clones in total
- 19 of them located on chromosome 2
- 18 of them similar with mtDNA

II. Sequences adjacent to the right border of T-DNA

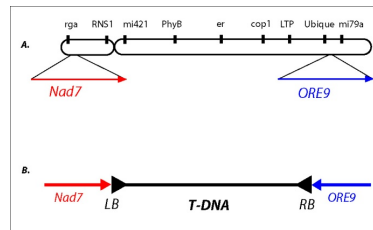
- 6 positively hybridizing clones in total
- all of them located on chromosome 2

Localization of genomic T-DNA adjacent to both left and right T-DNA borders on chromosome 2

Sequences adjacent to *right* and *left* border of T-DNA



- There was probably an inversion of almost entire chromosome 2



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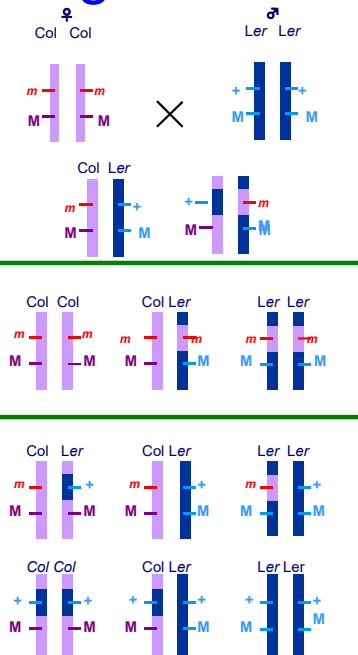
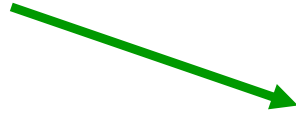
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- Positional cloning
 - Principle: **co-segregation analysis** of **segregating population** (mostly of offspring of backcrosses) with **molecular markers**
 - **SSLP** (Simple Sequence Length Polymorphism)
 - Polymorphism of genome (PCR products) length, amplified using specific primers
 - **RFLP** (Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism)
 - Detection by Southern blot (PCR after digestion of the genomic DNA and ligation of adapters)
 - **CAPS** (Cleaved Amplified Polymorphic Sequence)
 - Restriction fragment length polymorphism, genome segments amplified by PCR
 - **RAPD** (Randomly Amplified Polymorphic DNA)
 - Polymorphism of length of randomly amplified genome segments, using short 8-10bp primers

Positional cloning

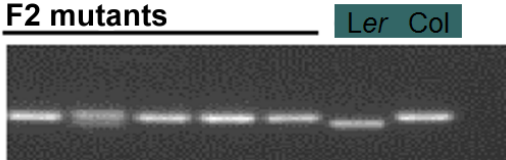
Preparation of mapping population



Recombinant analysis – determining the percentage of recombination between mutation and molecular marker

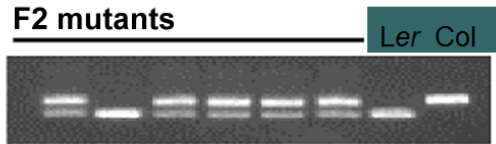
$$r [\%] = \frac{\text{number of chromosomes of Col}}{\text{number of all the chromosomes}} \times 100$$

F2 mutants



marker I – linked
5 mutants
 $1/10 \times 100 = 10\%$

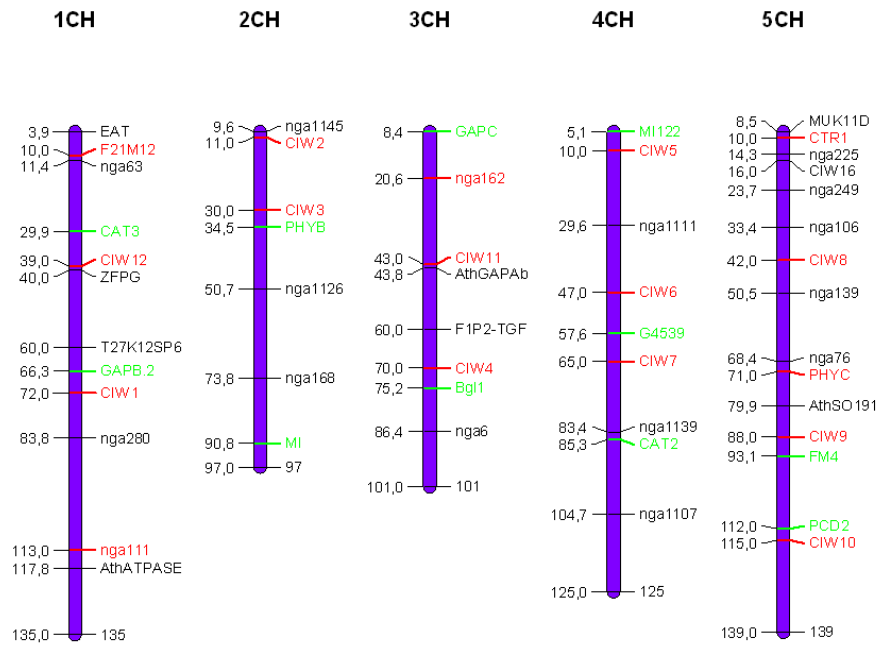
F2 mutants



marker II - no linkage
6 mutants
 $7/12 \times 100 = 58\%$

- Analysis of approximately 2000 mutant plants
- Determining the closest (still segregating) marker
- Identification of mutation by sequencing

Map of DNA molecular markers



Markers for fine mapping

- AGI Map
- Lister & Dean RI
- Classical
- mi-RFLP
- Goodman
- GoodmanBAC
- TIGR
- Finkelstein
- Altmann

Maps for Chromosome 2

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AGI Map

Zoom to:

Zoom up to 200x to see genes!

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Lister & Dean RI

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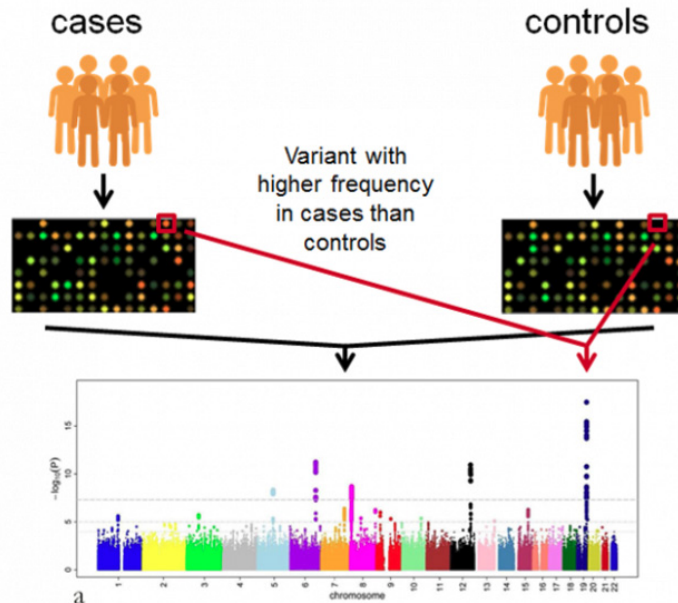
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Genome Wide Association Study - GWAS



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A typical GWAS study collects data to find out the common variants in a number of individuals, both with and without a common trait (e.g. a disease), across the genome, using genome wide SNP arrays. Variants associated with the disease, or within the same haplotype as a variant associated with a disease, will be found at a higher frequency in cases than in controls. Statistical analysis is carried out to indicate how likely a variant is to be associated with a trait.

As GWAS analyse common variants, usually typed on commercial SNP arrays (Figure 3), they do not generally identify causal variants. GWAS identify common variants which tag a region of linkage disequilibrium (LD) containing causal variant(s). Additional or follow-on studies are usually required to narrow the region of association and identify the causal variant

Key Concepts

- **Forward genetics** allows targeted screening for **interesting phenotypes**, whose **association** with **a given gene/locus** is unknown
 - Employs both **insertional mutagenes** as well as **point mutations**
 - **Insertional mutation**
 - (mostly) **loss-of-function** mutation
 - Identification via
 - iPCR
 - plasmid rescue
 - **Point mutation**
 - Both **loss-of-function** as well as
 - **gain-of-function** mutations
 - Identification via
 - **map-based cloning**
 - **GWAS**

Discussion