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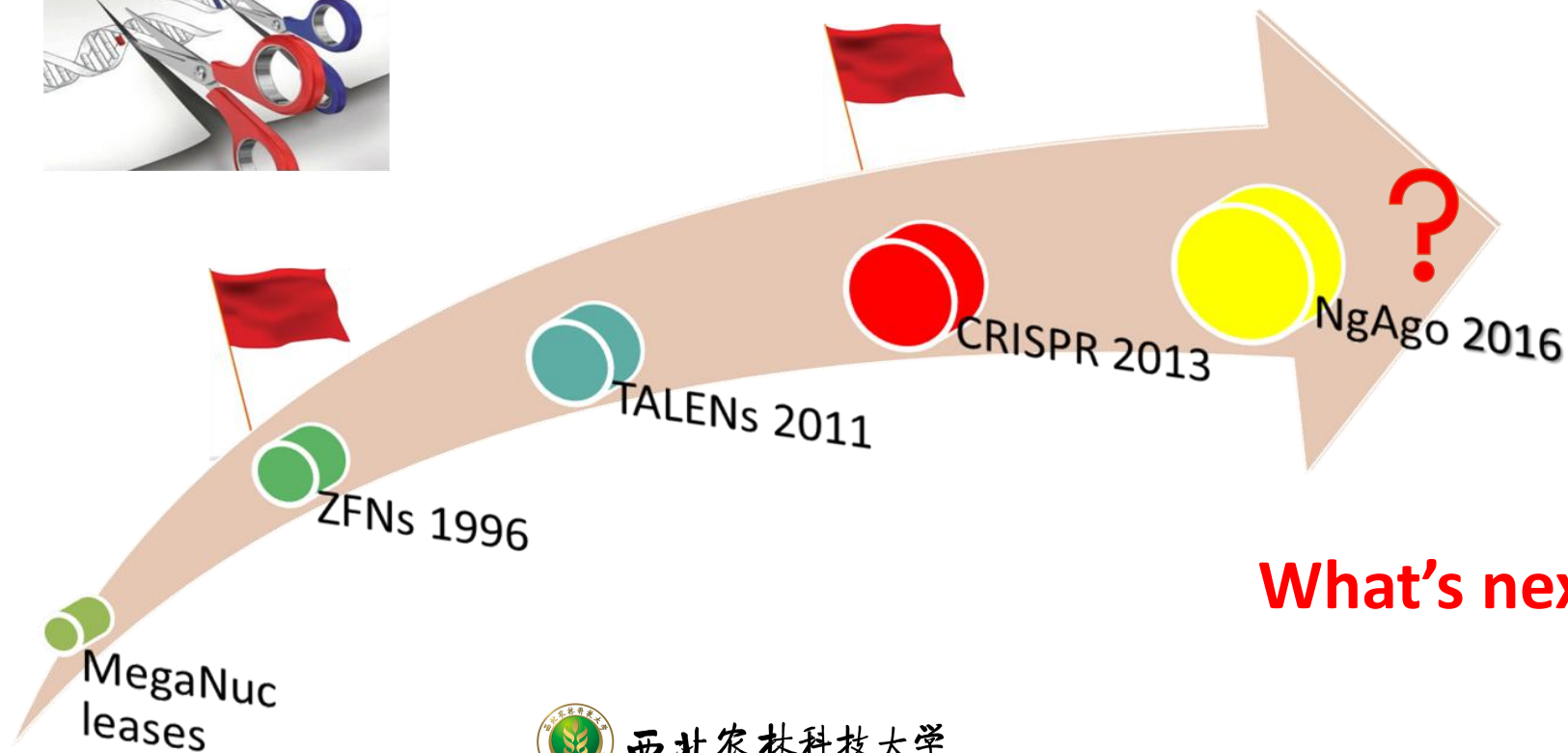


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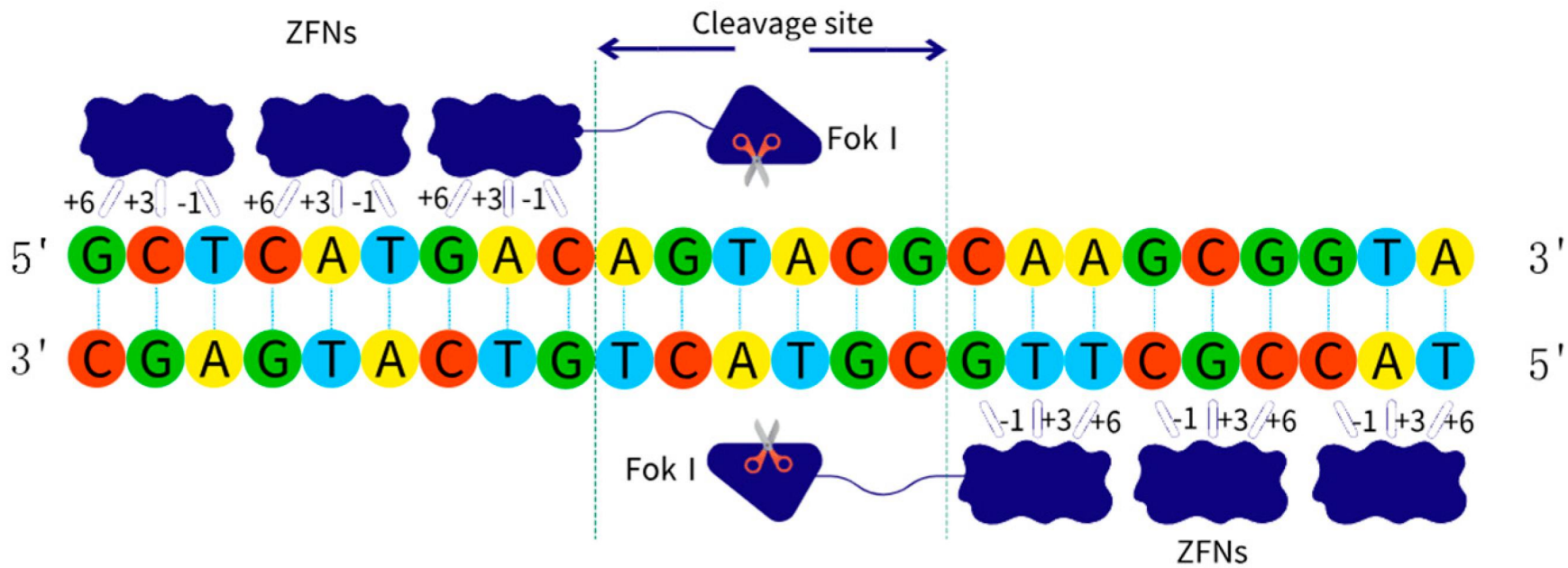
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十年磨一剑/Ten years to sharpen: ZFNs

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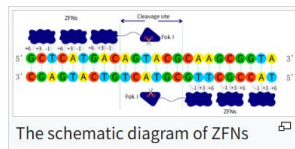
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It was initially created by researcher [Srinivasan Chandrasegaran](#).



The schematic diagram of ZFNs

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The DNA-binding domains of individual ZFNs typically contain between three and six individual [zinc finger](#) repeats and can each recognize between 9 and 18 basepairs. If the zinc finger domains perfectly recognize a 3 basepair DNA sequence, they can generate a 3-finger array that can recognize a 9 basepair target site. Other procedures can utilize either 1-finger or 2-finger modules to generate zinc-finger arrays with six or more individual zinc fingers. The main drawback with this procedure is the specificities of individual zinc fingers can overlap and can depend on the context of the surrounding zinc fingers and DNA. Without methods to account for this "context dependence", the standard modular assembly procedure often fails.^[1]

Numerous selection methods have been used to generate zinc-finger arrays capable of targeting desired sequences. Initial

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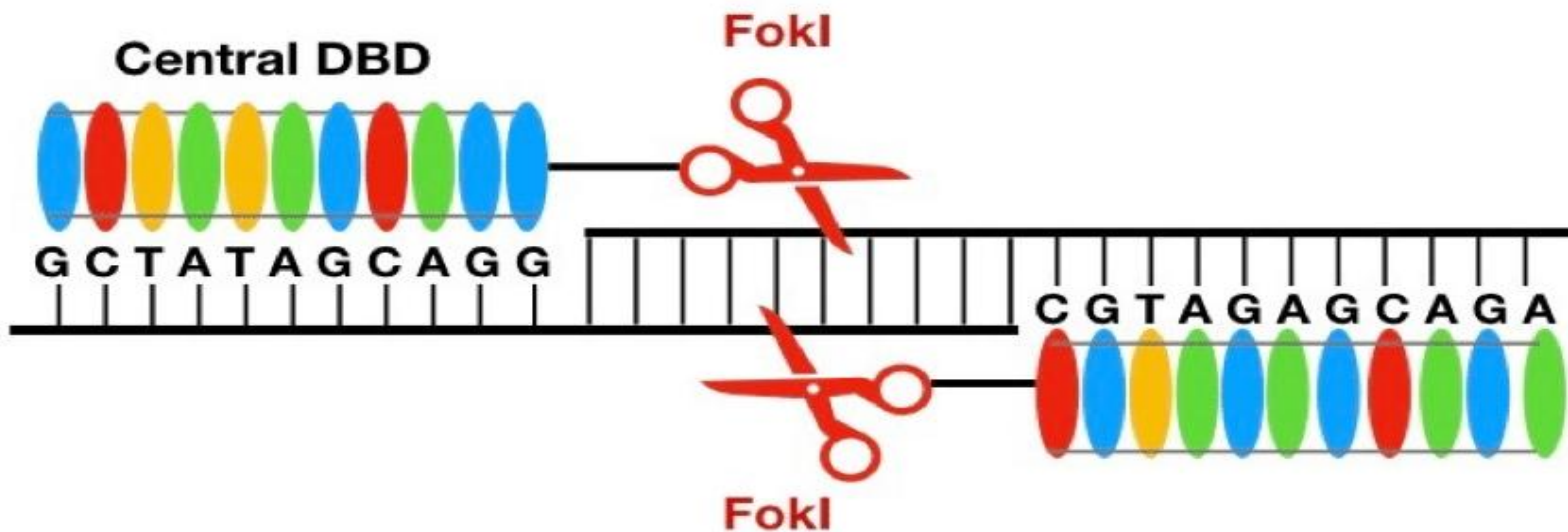
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昙花终一现/Sudden bloom: TALENs

Transcription Activator-Like Effector Nucleases (TALEN)



Transcription activator-like effector nuclease

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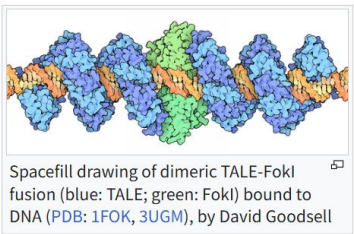
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Transcription activator-like effector nucleases (TALEN) are [restriction enzymes](#) that can be engineered to cut specific sequences of DNA. They are made by fusing a [TAL effector DNA-binding domain](#) to a DNA cleavage domain (a [nuclease](#) which cuts DNA strands). Transcription activator-like effectors (TALEs) can be engineered to bind to practically any desired DNA sequence, so when combined with a nuclease, DNA can be cut at specific locations.^[1] The restriction enzymes can be introduced into cells, for use in [gene editing](#) or for [genome editing](#) *in situ*, a technique known as [genome editing with engineered nucleases](#). Alongside [zinc finger nucleases](#) and [CRISPR/Cas9](#), TALEN is a prominent tool in the field of [genome editing](#).



TALE DNA-binding domain [edit]

[TAL effectors](#) are proteins that are secreted by [Xanthomonas](#) bacteria via their [type III secretion system](#) when they [infect plants](#).^[2] The DNA binding domain contains a repeated highly conserved 33–34 [amino acid](#) sequence with divergent 12th and 13th amino acids. These two positions, referred to as the Repeat Variable Diresidue (RVD), are highly variable and show a strong correlation with specific [nucleotide](#) recognition.^{[3][4]} This straightforward relationship between amino acid sequence and DNA recognition has allowed for the engineering of specific DNA-binding domains by selecting a combination of repeat segments containing the appropriate RVDs.^[1] Notably, slight changes in the RVD and the incorporation of

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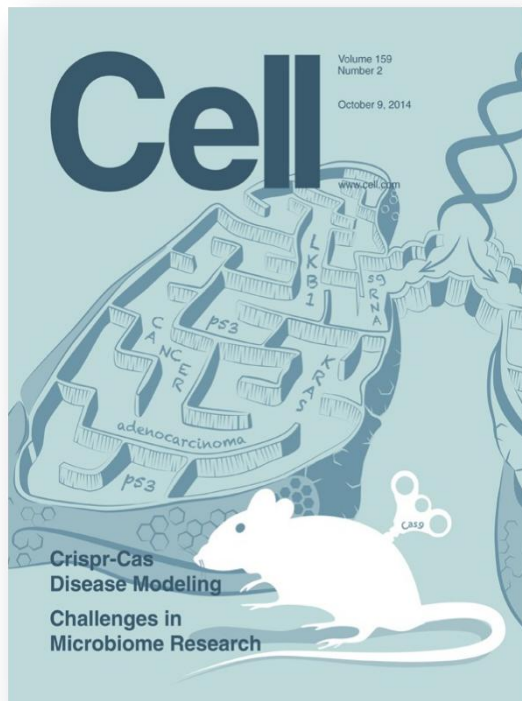
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CRISPR:

Clustered **R**egularly **I**nterspaced

Short **P**alindromic **R**epeats

规律间隔成簇短回文重复序列

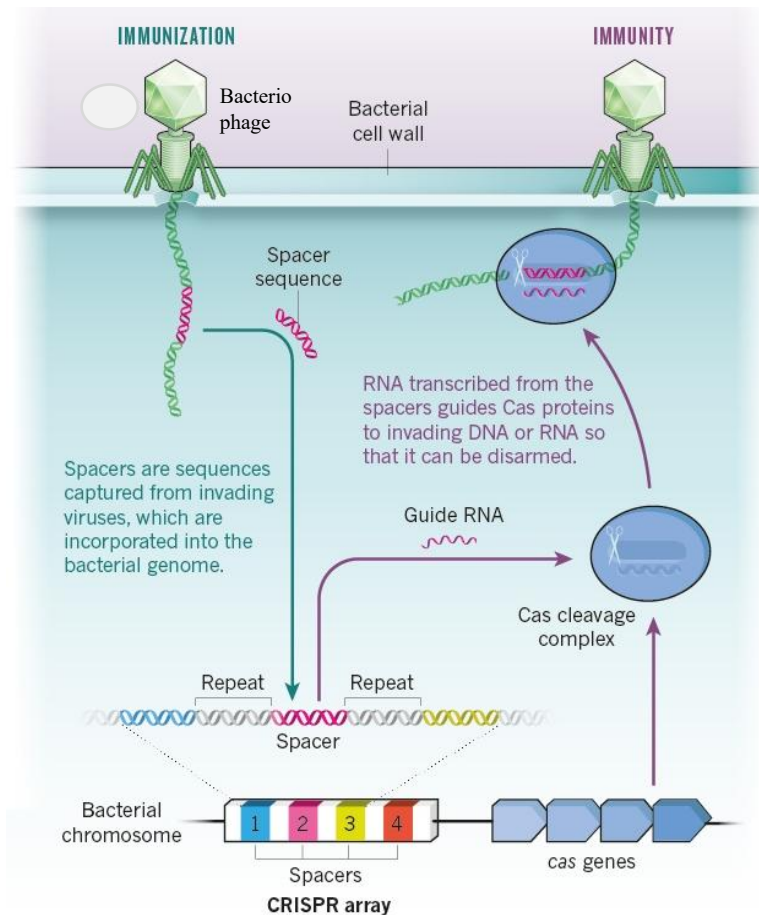
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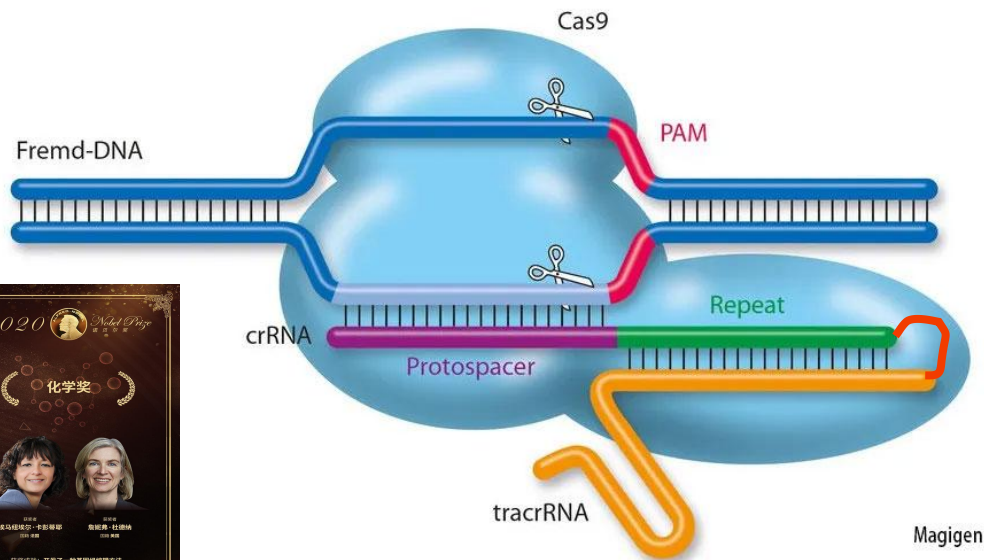
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天选之骄子/Allah's Chosen One: CRISPR/Cas9



CRISPR/Cas9技术

1. Cas9蛋白:

核酸内切酶,

SpCas9/SaCas9/StCas9,,,

2. gRNA:

sgRNA=crRNA+tracrRNA

3. 靶点带PAM:

NGG→NGN、NRN (G/A)

4. gRNA/Cas9

RGNs: RNA Guided Nucleases

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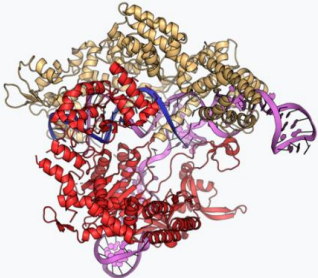


This article is **missing information** about homologs including other Cas9s, other Class 2 Type II CRISPR systems. Please expand the article to include this information. Further details may exist on the [talk page](#). *(September 2021)*

Cas9 (**CRISPR associated protein 9**, formerly called **Cas5**, **Csn1**, or **Csx12**) is a 160 kilodalton protein which plays a vital role in the immunological defense of certain bacteria against **DNA viruses** and **plasmids**, and is heavily utilized in **genetic engineering** applications. Its main function is to cut **DNA** and thereby alter a cell's genome. The **CRISPR-Cas9 genome editing** technique was a significant contributor to the **Nobel Prize in Chemistry** in 2020 being awarded to **Emmanuelle Charpentier** and **Jennifer Doudna**.^[2]

More technically, Cas9 is a **RNA-guided DNA endonuclease enzyme** associated with the Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (**CRISPR**) adaptive immune system in *Streptococcus pyogenes*.^{[3][4][5]} *S. pyogenes* utilizes CRISPR to memorize and Cas9 to later interrogate and cleave foreign DNA, such as invading **bacteriophage** DNA or plasmid DNA.^{[4][6][7][8]} Cas9 performs this interrogation by unwinding foreign DNA and checking for sites complementary to the 20 nucleotide spacer region of the **guide RNA** (gRNA). If the DNA substrate is complementary to the guide RNA, Cas9 cleaves the invading DNA. In this sense, the CRISPR-Cas9 mechanism has a number of parallels with the **RNA interference** (RNAi) mechanism in eukaryotes.

CRISPR-associated endonuclease Cas9



S. pyogenes Cas9 in complex with sgRNA and its target DNA. PDB: 4008^[1]

Identifiers	
Organism	<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> M1
Symbol	cas9

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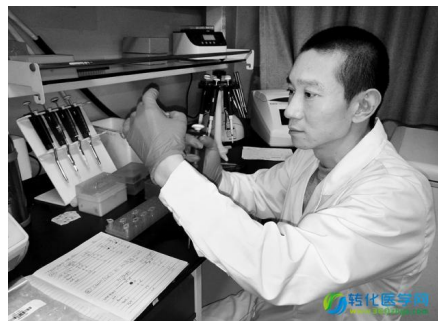
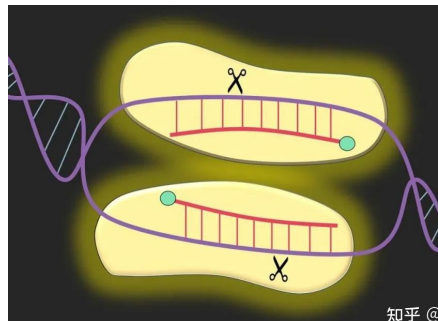
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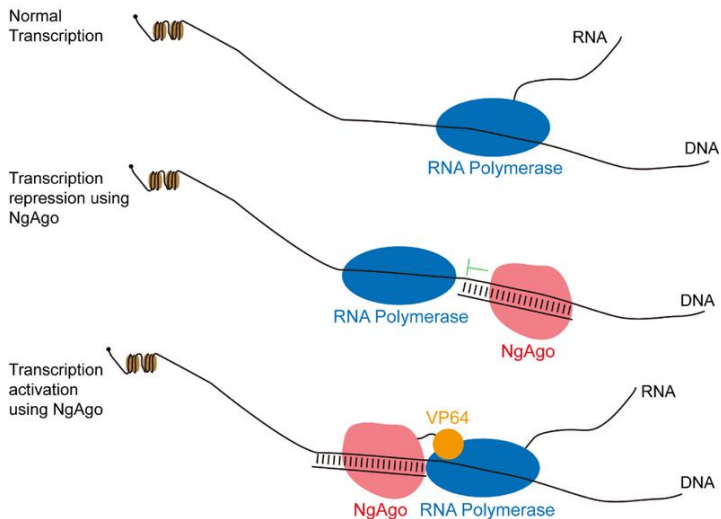
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When the east is dark, the west is still bright; when it's dark in the south but bright in the north

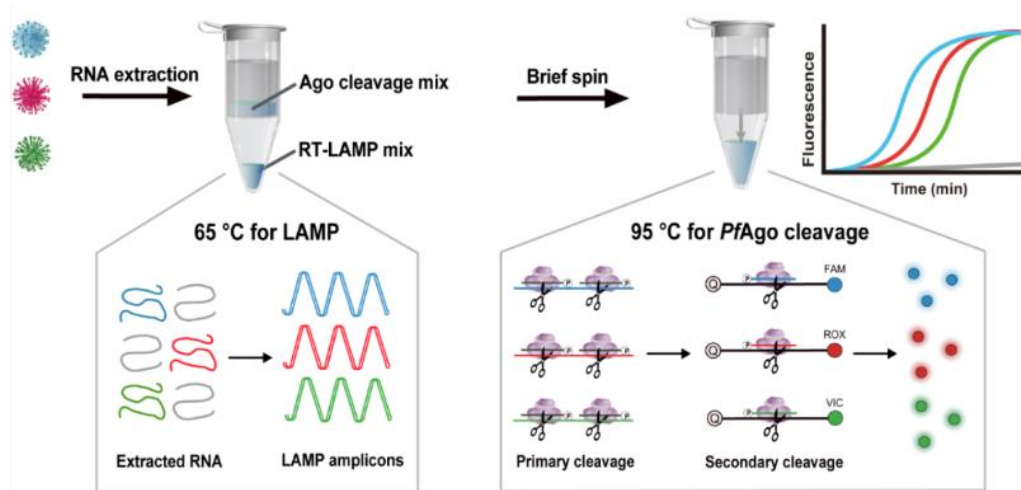
AGOi & AGOa

Transcription Manipulation using NgAgo



AGO Detection

MULAN (Multiplex Argonaute-based Nucleic Acid Detection)



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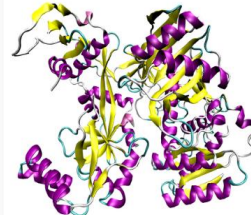
The **Argonaute protein** family, first discovered for its evolutionarily conserved stem cell function,^[1] plays a central role in RNA silencing processes as essential components of the **RNA-induced silencing complex** (RISC). RISC is responsible for the gene silencing phenomenon known as **RNA interference** (RNAi).^[2] Argonaute proteins bind different classes of small **non-coding RNAs**, including **microRNAs** (miRNAs), **small interfering RNAs** (siRNAs) and **Piwi-interacting RNAs** (piRNAs). Small RNAs guide Argonaute proteins to their specific targets through sequence complementarity (base pairing), which then leads to mRNA cleavage, **translation** inhibition, and/or the initiation of mRNA decay.^[3]

The name of this protein family is derived from a mutant phenotype resulting from mutation of AGO1 in *Arabidopsis thaliana*, which was likened by Bohmert et al. to the appearance of the pelagic octopus *Argonauta argo*.^[4]

RNA interference [edit]

RNA interference (RNAi) is a biological process in which RNA molecules inhibit **gene expression**, via either destruction of specific mRNA molecules or suppressing translation.^[5] RNAi has a significant role in defending cells against parasitic nucleotide sequences ^[*citation needed*]. In eukaryotes, including animals, RNAi is initiated by the enzyme **Dicer**. Dicer cleaves long double-stranded RNA (dsRNA, **often found in viruses** and **small interfering RNA**) molecules into short double stranded fragments of around 20 nucleotide siRNAs. The dsRNA is then separated

Argonaute Piwi domain



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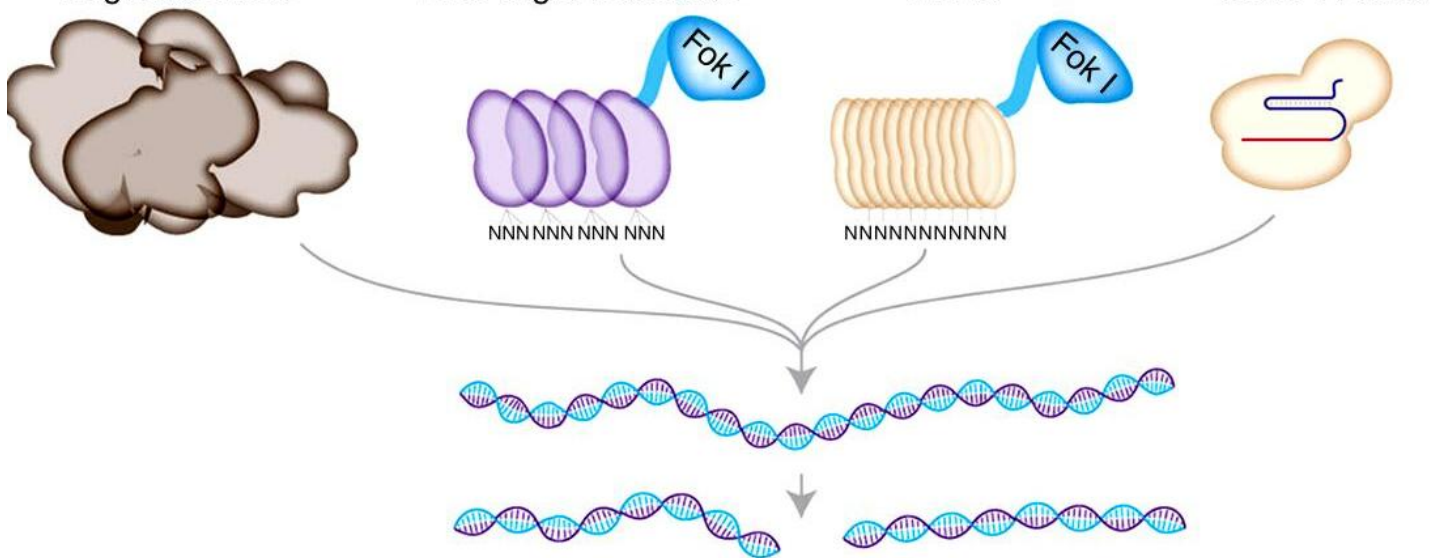
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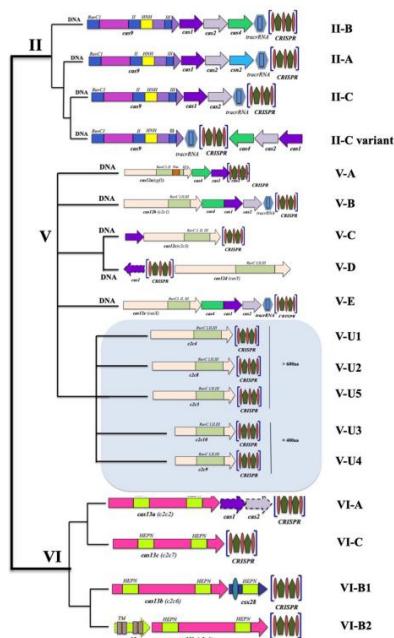
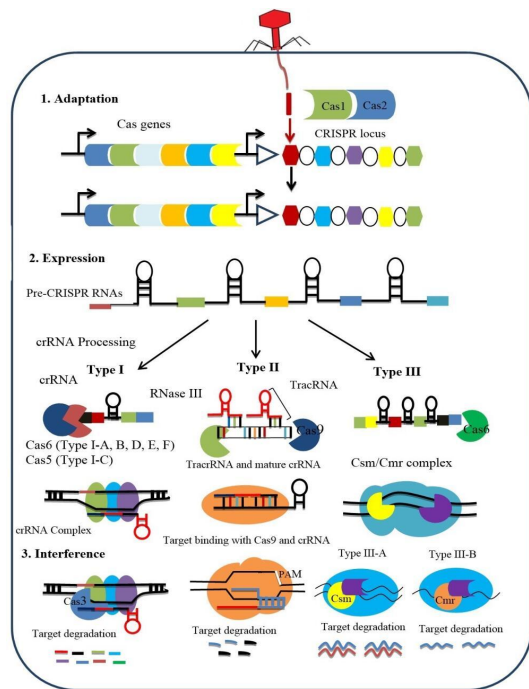
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丰富多样的CRISPR基因剪刀手/Variety of CRISPR gene scissors



PAM/PFS
5'-NGG-3'

5'-NGG-3'

5'-NGG-3'

5'-NGG-3'

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5'-TTCN-3'

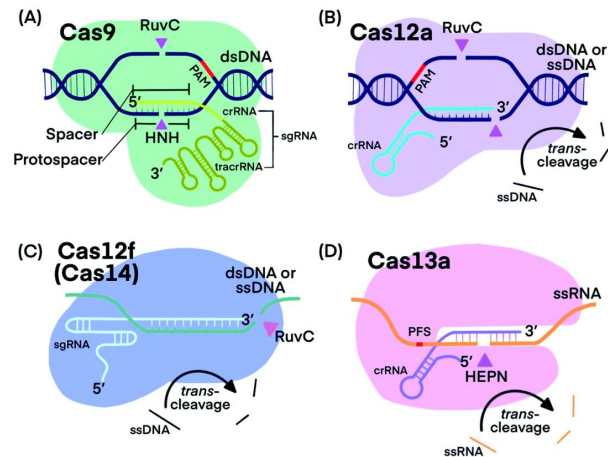
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3'-PFS: non-G

NA

5'-PFS: non-C; 3'-PFS: NAN/NA

5'-PFS: non-C; 3'-PFS: NAN/NA



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CRISPR-Cas工具酶介绍 (qq.com)

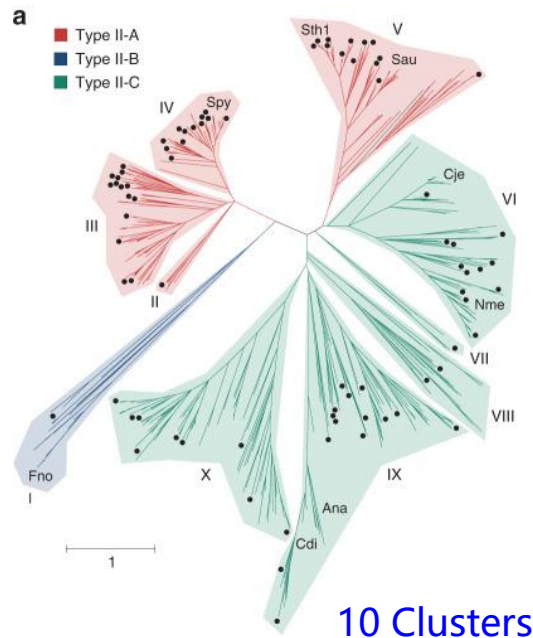


表2. 本实验室筛选的Cas9工具酶

名字	Type II	大小	PAM	活性	特异性	时间
SauriCas9	A	1061	NNGG	高	中	2020.3
SlugCas9	A	1054	NNGG	高	低	2021.4
SlugCas9-HF	A	1054	NNGG	高	高	2021.4
ShaCas9	A	1055	NNGGV	中	中	2021.4
SluttrCas9	A	1054	NNGRR	中	中	2021.4
SchCas9	A	1054	NNGR	中	中	2022.2
Sha3Cas9	A	1055	NNGRC	高	中	2022.2
Nsp2Cas9	C	1067	NNNNCC	中	高	2022.8
NarCas9	C	1070	NNNNC	低	~	2022.8
Sha2Cas9	A	1058	NNGG	高	中	2022.11
Sha2Cas9-HF	A	1058	NNGG	高	高	2022.11
SpeCas9	A	1058	NNGG	高	中	2022.11
SpeCas9-HF	A	1058	NNGG	高	高	2022.11
SmiCas9	A	1063	NNGG	中	高	2022.11
Hsp1Cas9	C	1057	NNNNRAA	中	低	2023.4
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CcuCas9	C	1032	NNNNCA	中	低	2023.4

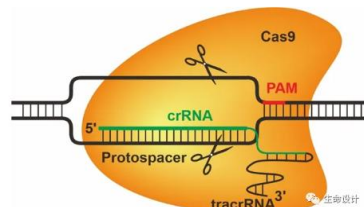
有的Cas9识别独特的PAM，但是活性不高，将识别PAM的结构域替换到活性/特异性高的同系物中，得到的嵌合体Cas9性能更好（表3）

表3. Cas9嵌合体工具酶

名字	Type II	大小	PAM	活性	特异性	时间
Sa-SlugCas9	A	1055	NNGG	高	高	2021.4
Sa-SchCas9	A	1055	NNGR	中	中	2022.2
Nsp2-SmuCas9	C	1072	NNNNC	中	高	2022.8
Hsp1-Hsp2Cas9	C	1048	NNNNCY	中	低	2023.4
Hsp1-Hsp2Cas9-Y	C	1048	NNNNCY	中	高	2023.4
Hsp1-Hsp2Cas9-KY	C	1048	NNNNCY	中	高	2023.4

表1. Cas9工具酶

名字	Type II-	大小	PAM	活性	特异性	国家	时间
SpCas9	A	1368	NNG	高	低	美国	2013.2
St1Cas9	A	1121	NNAGAAW	低	中	美国	2013.2
NmCas9	C	1082	NNNNGATT	低	高	美国	2013.8
St3Cas9	A	1409	NGGNG	中	高	中国	2015.1
SaCas9	A	1053	NNGRRT	高	高	美国	2015.4
FnCas9	B	1629	NNG	低	中	美国	2016.2
CjCas9	C	984	NNNNRYAC	低	高	韩国	2017.2
GeoCas9	C	1087	NNNNCRAA	低	低	美国	2017.11
ScCas9	A	1380	NNG	低	低	美国	2018.10
Nme2Cas9	C	1082	NNNNCC	中	高	美国	2019.2



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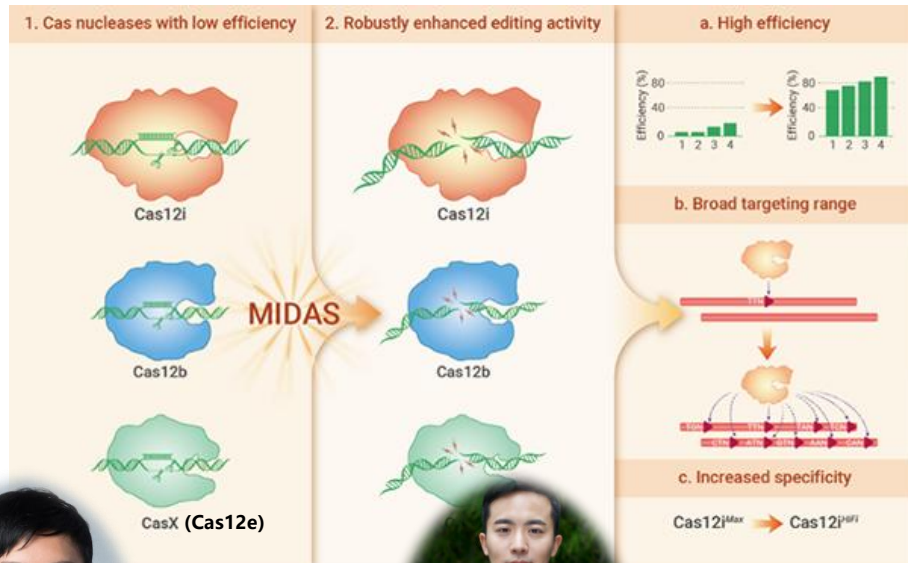
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表4. Cas12工具酶

名字	大小	PAM	活性	特异性	时间
AsCas12a	1307	TTTV	高	高	2015.9
LbCas12a	1228	TTTV	中	高	2015.9
FnCas12a	1300	TTN	低	高	2015.9
Mb3Cas12a	1261	TTN	中	-	2020.9
TsCas12a	1298	TTN	中	-	2020.9
Mb2Cas12a	1251	TTN	中	-	2020.9
BsCas12a	1206	TTN	高	-	2020.9
PiCas12a	1323	KKYV	低	-	2020.6
HkCas12a	1310	YYV	低	-	2020.6
CeCas12a	1287	TTTV	中	高	2020.3
BfCas12a	1231	TTTV	中	-	2020.3
Cas12a-M29-1	1280	YYN	高	-	2020.12
Lb2Cas12a	1206	TTN	中	-	2021.12
PrCas12a	1213	TTTV	高	-	2021.12
PxCas12a	1215	TTN	中	-	2021.12
PdCas12a	1323	TTTV	低	-	2021.12
MbCas12a	1373	TTV	低	-	2021.12
EeCas12a	1282	TTTN	中	-	2021.12
ArCas12a	1266	TTN	低	-	2021.12
ErCas12a	1263	YTTN	中	-	2021.12
AaCas12b	1129	TTN	中	高	2018.11
BhCas12b v4	1108	RTTN	高	-	2019.1
BvCas12b	1112	ATTN	低	-	2019.1
DpbCas12e	986	TTCN	中	-	2019.2
PlmCas12e	978	TTCN	中	-	2022.2
Cas12i ^{Max}	1054	HHN	高	低	2022.5
Cas12j-8	718	TTN	高	极高	2023.3
AsCas12f1	422	TTR	低	高	2021.12
Un1Cas12f1	529	TTTN	中	极高	2021.12
enOsCas12f1	433	TTH	高	高	2021.12
enRhCas12f1	415	CCD	高	高	2021.12

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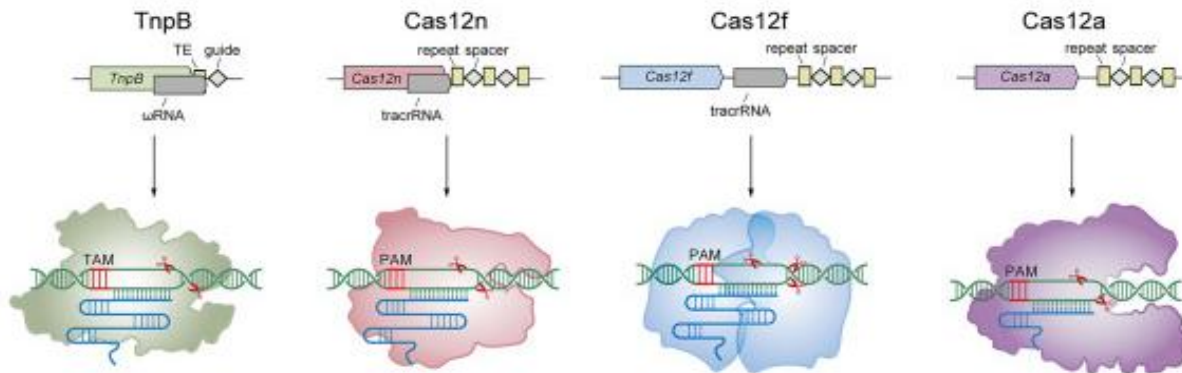
更多的“剪刀手” /What's more

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CRISPR:

Clustered Regularly
Interspaced Short
Palindromic Repeats

规律间隔成簇短回文重复序列



OMEGA :

Obligate Mobile Element
Guided Activity

具有导向活性的指定移动元件

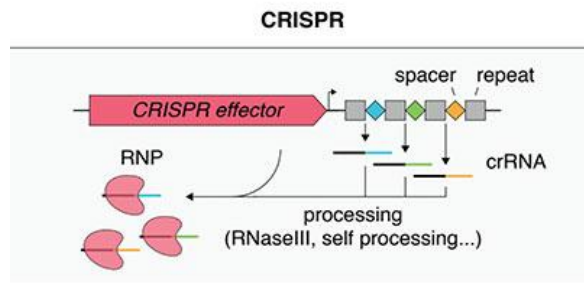
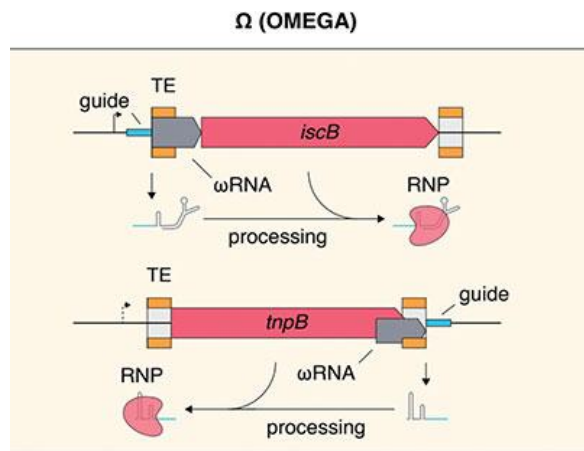
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Protein	~400 aa (monomer)	400-700 aa (likely monomer)	400-700 aa (dimer)	1000-1500 aa (monomer)
Guide RNA	wRNA	crRNA and tracrRNA	crRNA and tracrRNA	crRNA
gRNA region	Located in protein ORF	Located in protein ORF	Exist alone	Exist alone
dsDNA target	5'TAM and target	5'PAM and target	5'PAM and target	5'PAM and target
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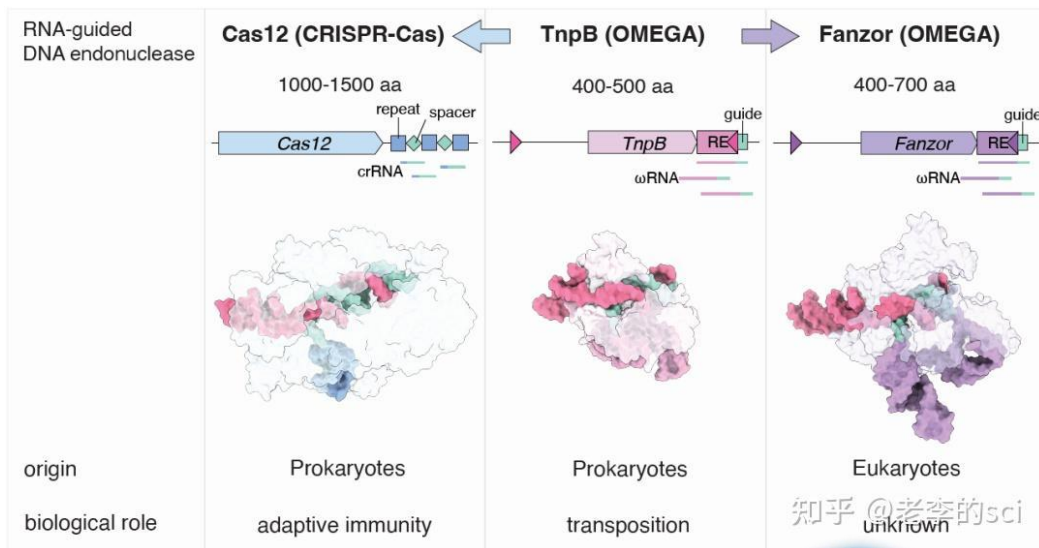
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“剪刀手”的进化/The evolution of Scissors



IscB→Cas9

TnpB→Cas12, Fanzor

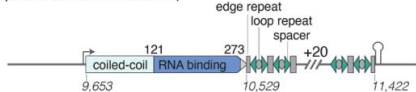


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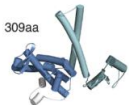


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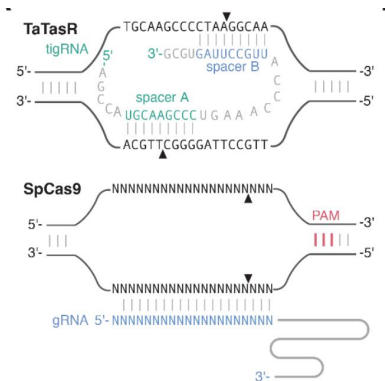
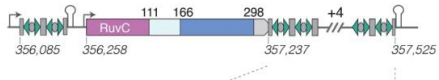
Tandem Interspaced Guide RNA (**TIGR**) array and a TIGR-associated (**Tas**),
Similar but different with CRISPR/Cas and OMEGA systems



TasH (*Salicola phage* CGphi29 NC_020844)



TasR (*Thermoproteota archaeon* isolate LB_CRA_1 QQVH01000006)



- **PAMless**
- **Targeting both sense and antisense strands**

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**Cas9、Cas12、Cas13
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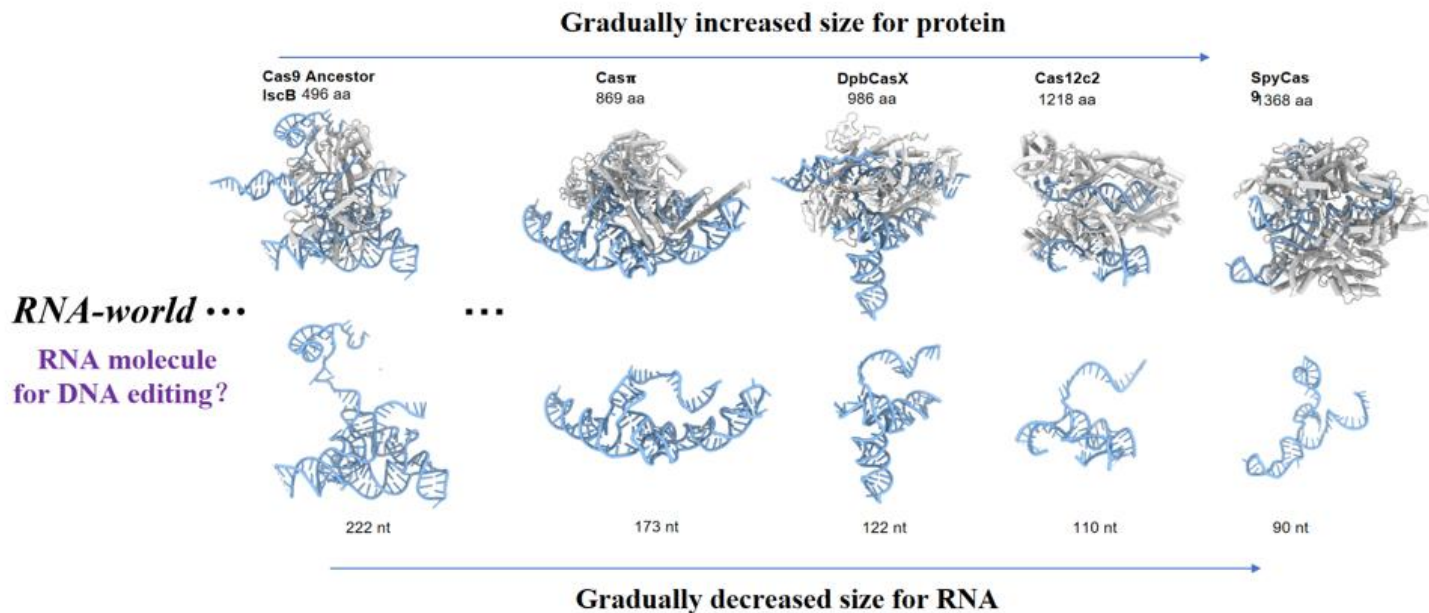
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"RNA-World"

1. Background

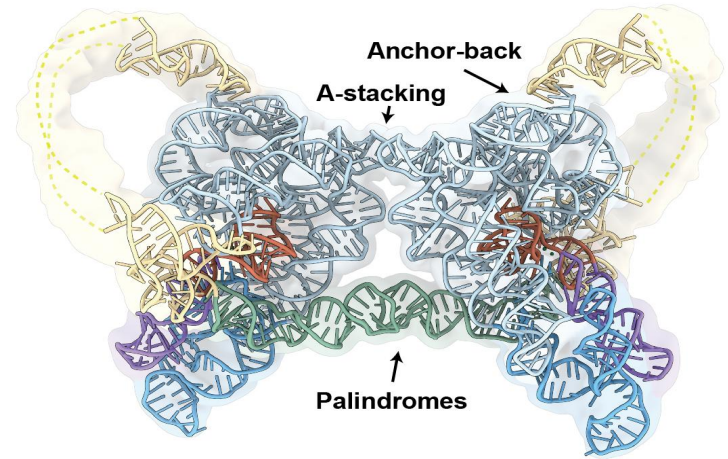
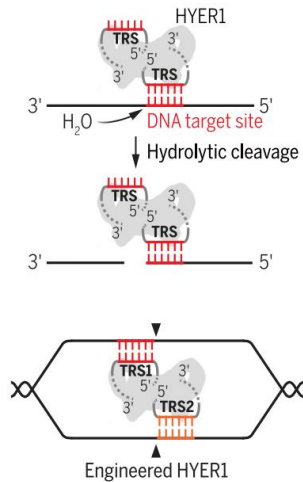
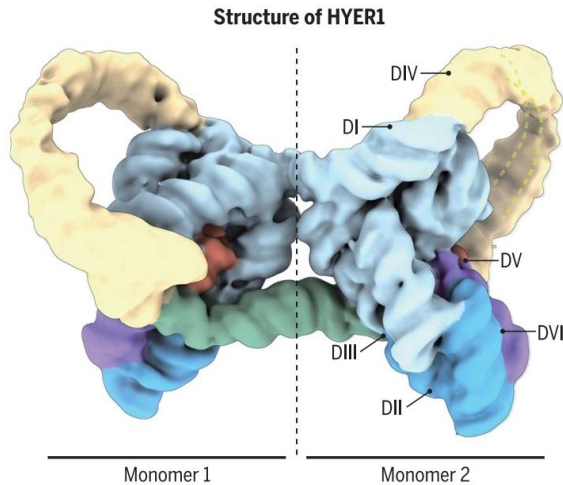
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How is RNA gradually replaced by protein?



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Scissors by only RNA: Hydrolytic endonucleolytic ribozyme (HYER)



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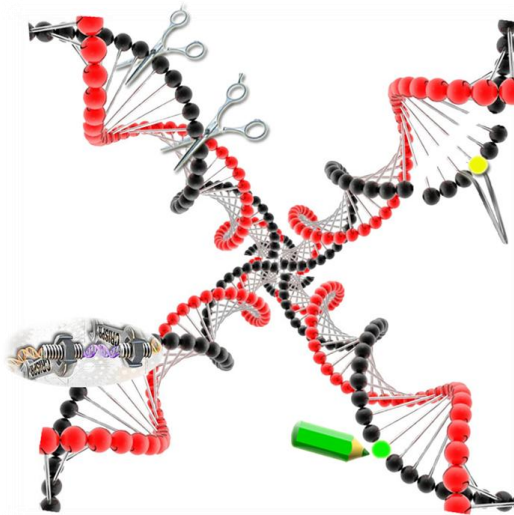


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Assignments and Discussions:

1. 画图+列表，对比总结归纳上述基因剪刀手; **Draw diagrams and make tables, to compare and summarize the above-mentioned gene scissors**
2. 思考如何利用上述工具实现基因编辑? **Think about how to utilize the above-mentioned tools to achieve gene editing?**

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