

Technology for the Treatment of Genetic Disorder

-CRISPR-

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INTRO

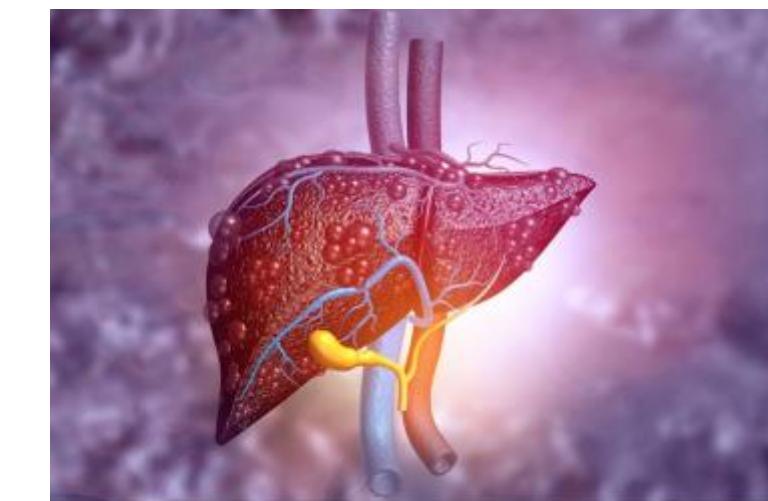
Genetic Disorders & Genetic Scissors

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Physics



Physiology or Medicine



Chemistry



Genetic Disorder

A disease caused by harmful changes in genes

Type: autosomal inheritance, sex-linked inheritance

Ex) Phenylketonuria(PKU), Huntington disease, Hemophilia, Red-green color blindness

Genetic Scissors

Technology that recognize certain part of DNA and cut & modify

Difference between Nucleic acid-degrading enzymes

- recognize certain part
- can use to cure genetic disorder

Type: ZFNs, TALENs, CRISPR–Cas9

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CRISPR system

What is CRISPR and how does it act?

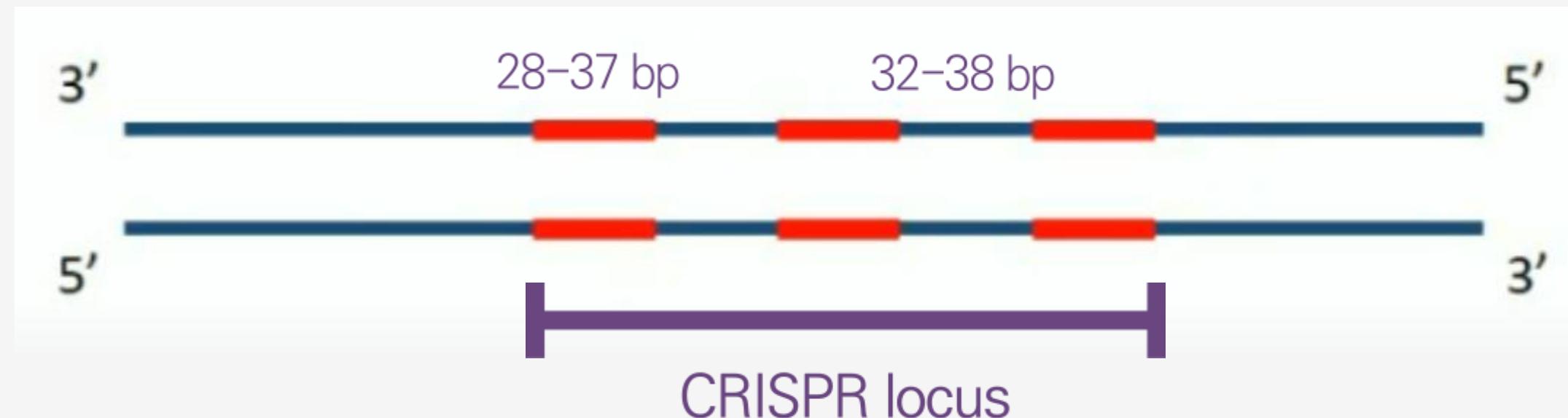
DEFINITION & STRUCTURE

- CRISPR

Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats

- CRISPR locus

An array of short direct DNA repeats interspersed with spacer DNA



CRISPR MECHANISM

- Immune system

1. Space Aquisition

2. crRNA Processing

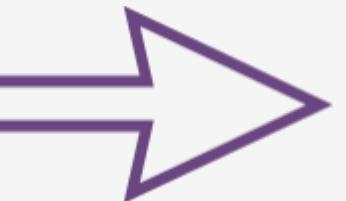
3. Interference

- types of CRISPR system

type 1

type 2

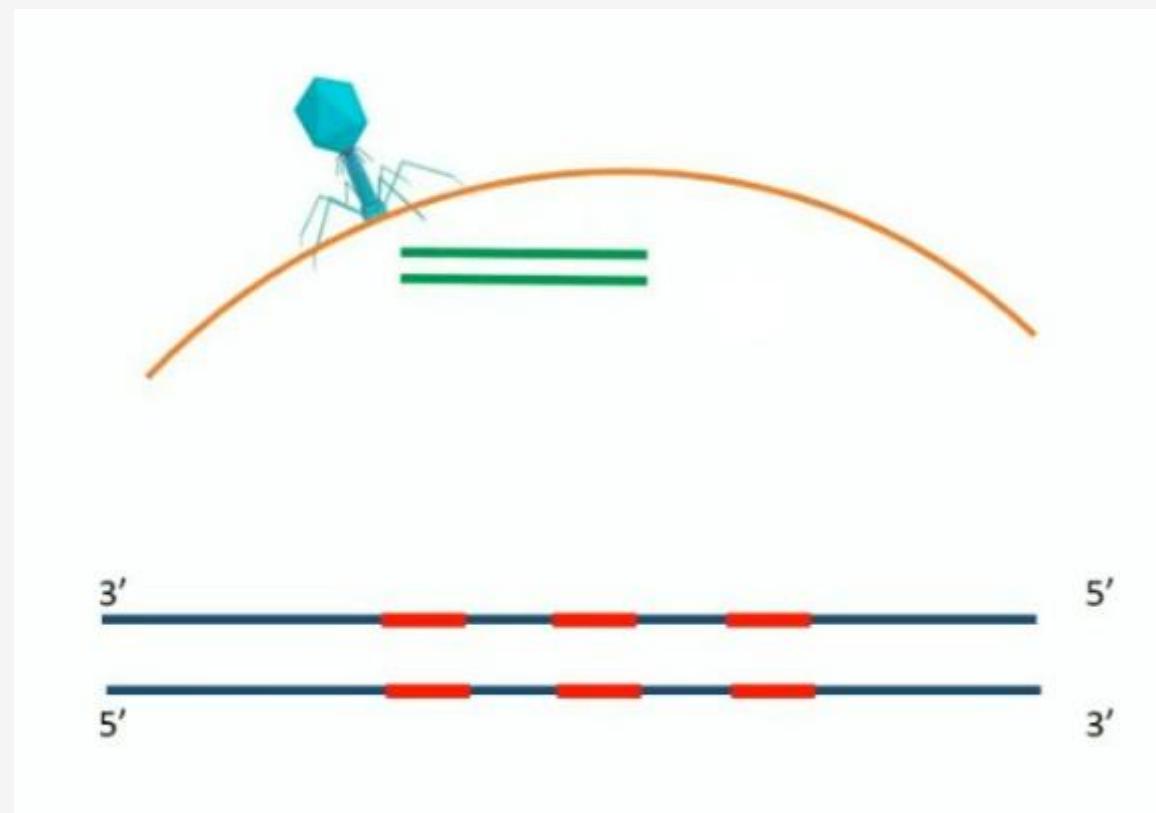
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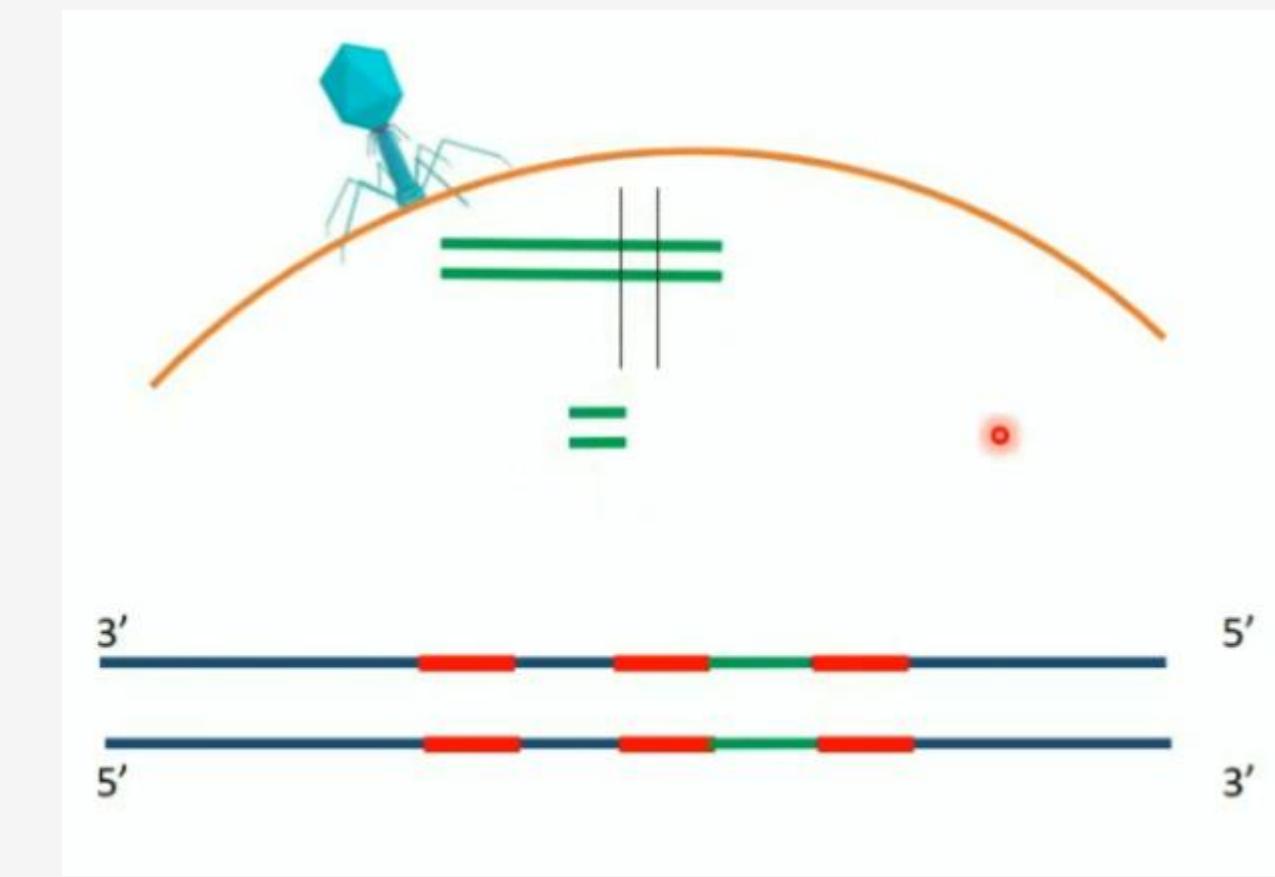
mostly used for gene engineering

CRISPR MECHANISM

1. Spacer Acquisition



A bacteriophage infected cell for the first time



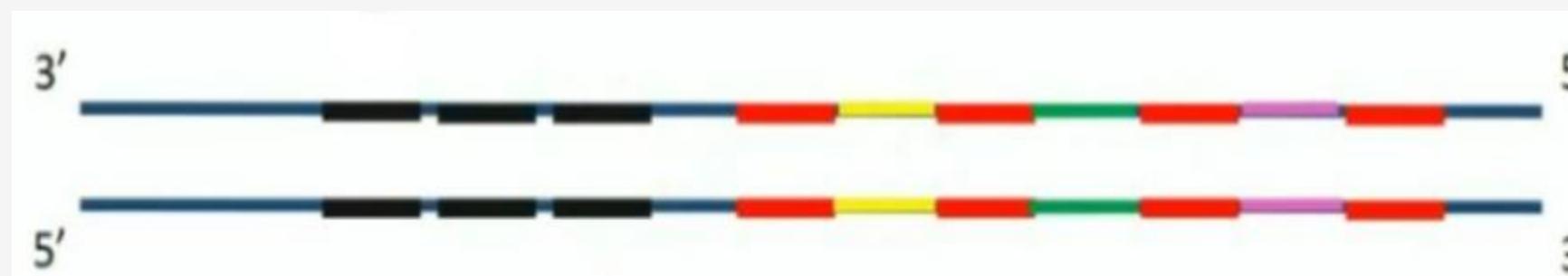
Bacterial cell chops up the viral genome,
take a piece of it,
insert this piece into the spacer DNA

CRISPR MECHANISM

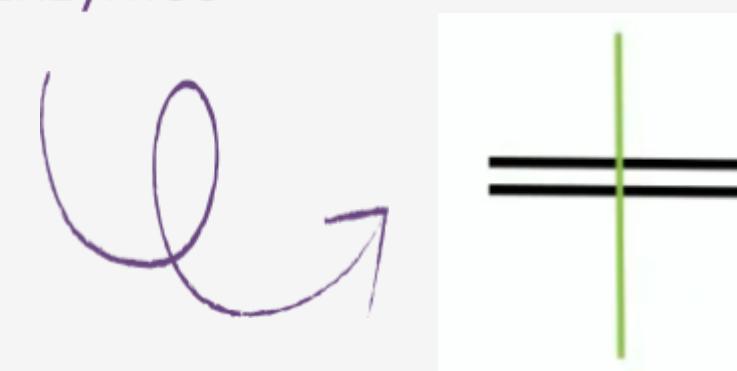
1. Spacer Acquisition



Each time a bacteriophage infects the cell,
cell takes a piece of it and inserts it into the spacer DNA



Cas Enzymes



mostly nucleases

cas1

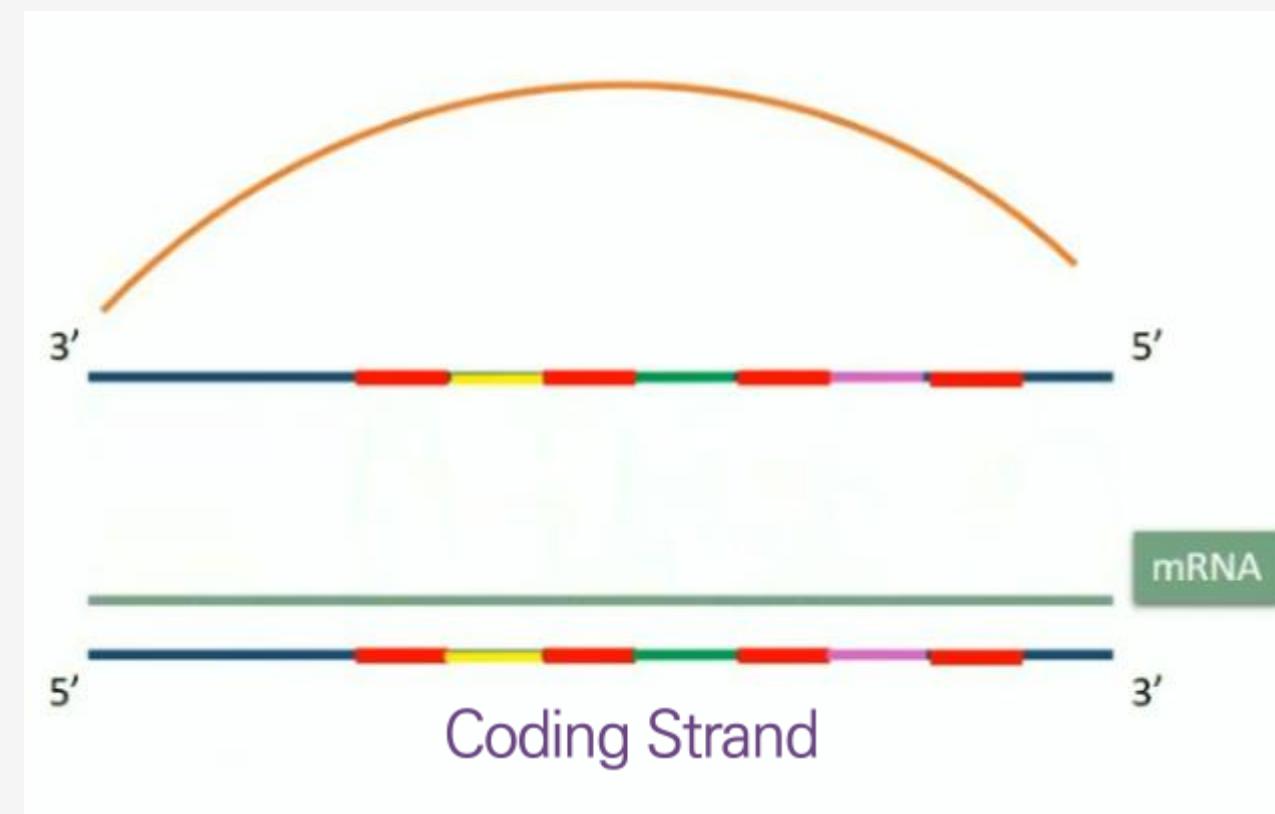
nucleases
integrase

cas2

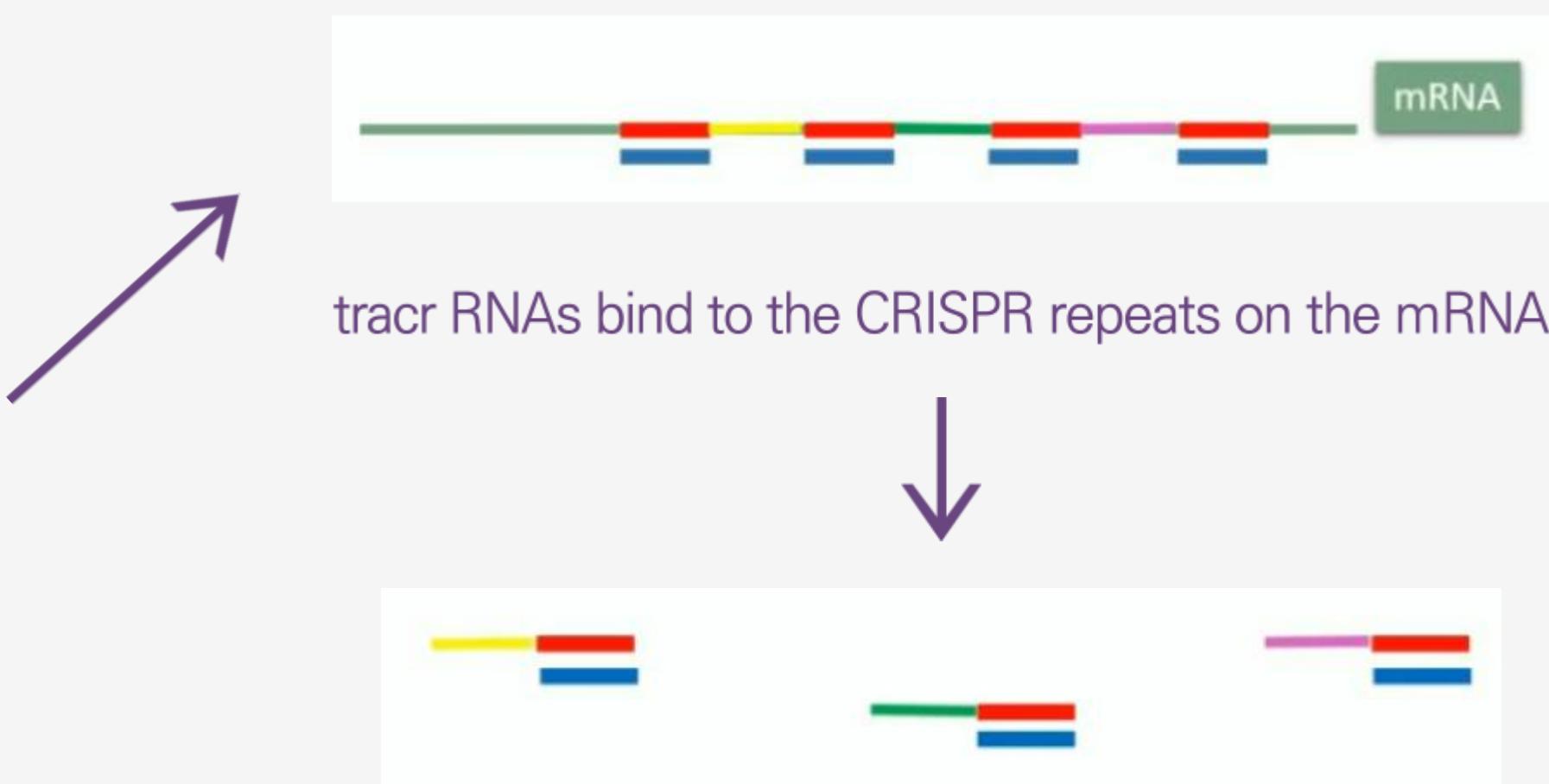
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CRISPR MECHANISM

2. crRNA Processing



One of the two strands of bacterial DNA is transcribed into mRNA



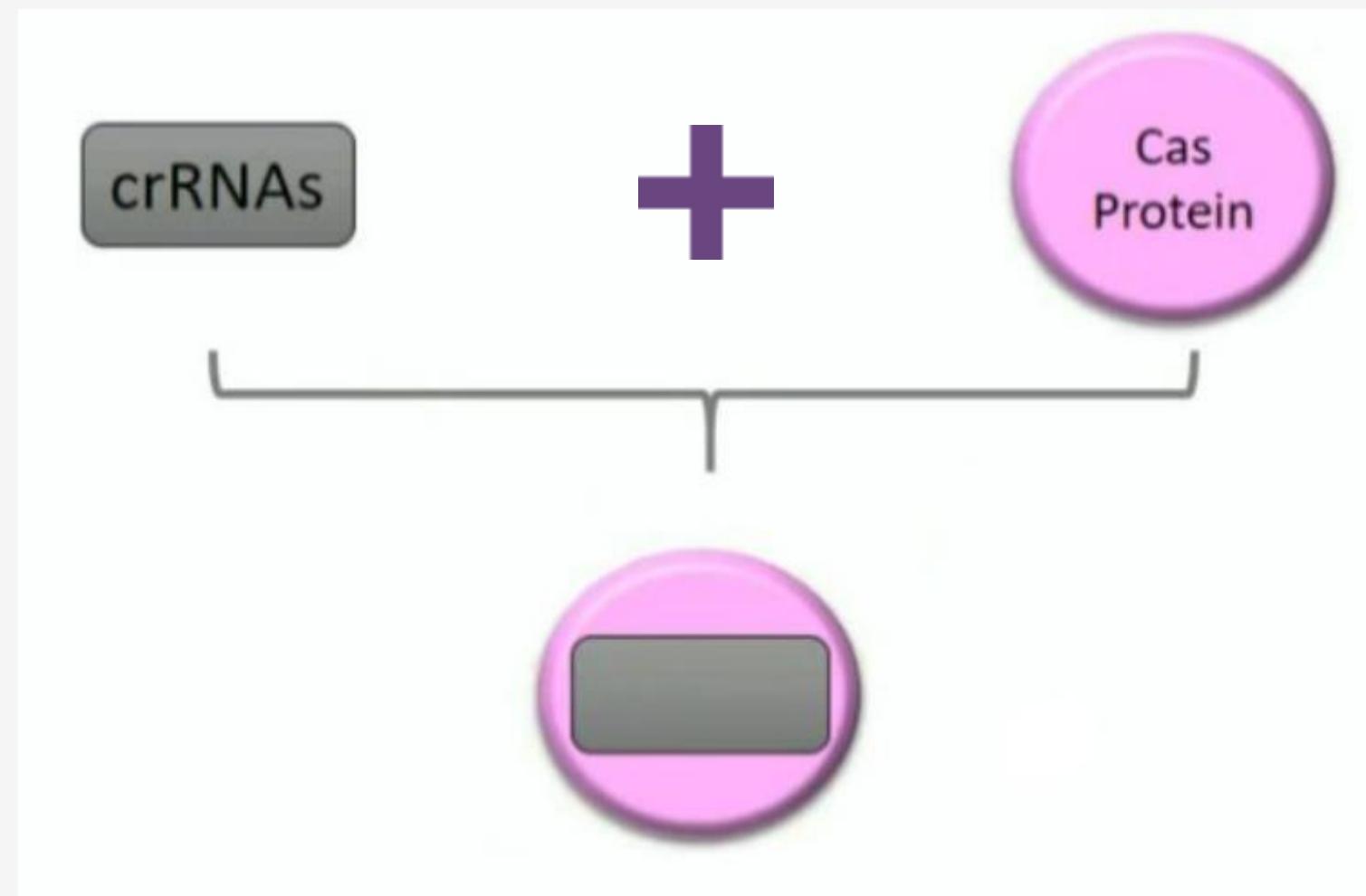
tracr RNAs bind to the CRISPR repeats on the mRNA

mRNA is chopped up by cas9 and RNase3

crRNA

CRISPR MECHANISM

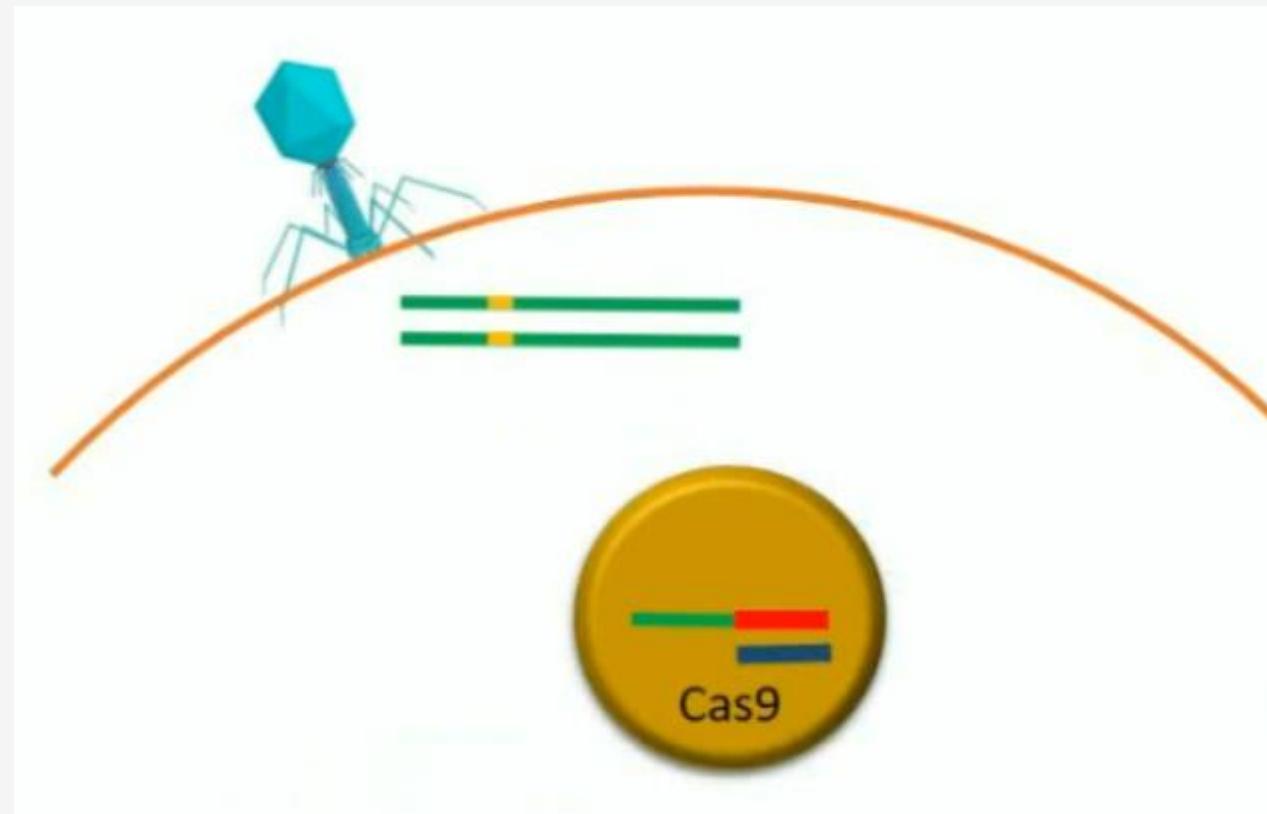
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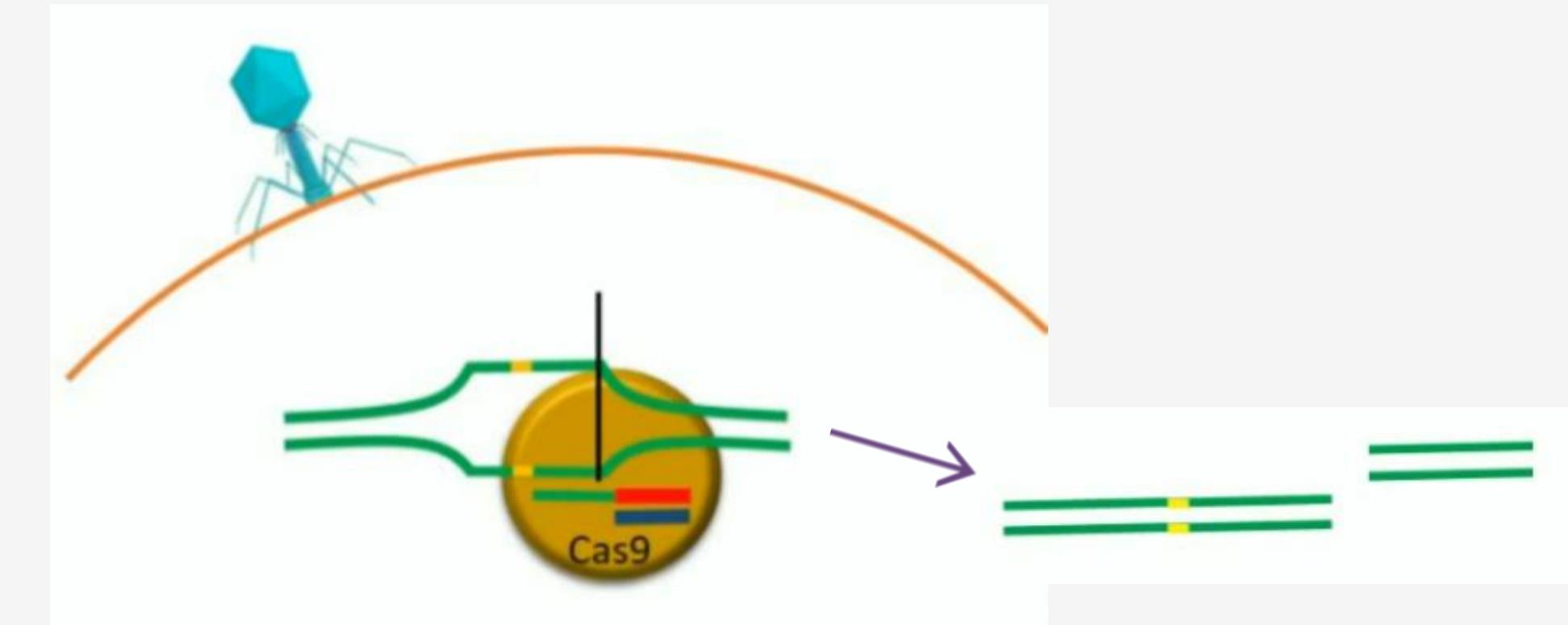
crRNAs and specific cas protein are merged together
to form the complex above

CRISPR MECHANISM

3. Interference



cas9 enzyme recognizes PAM sequence of viral genome
and RNA sequence(green part) recognizes
DNA sequence of viral genome



Viral genome binds to the RNA and cas enzyme
undergoes double strand break

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HNH
RuvC

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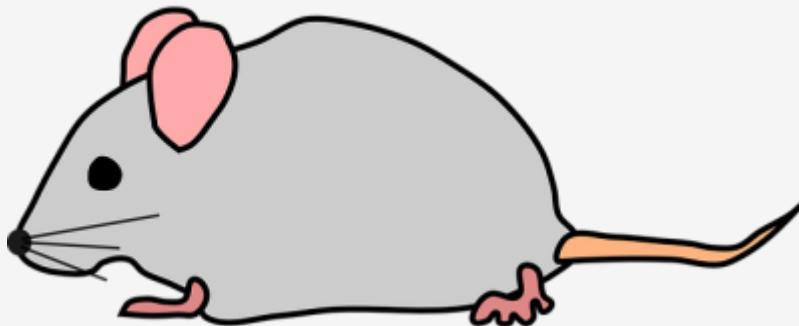
RnasH-like endonuclease
domains

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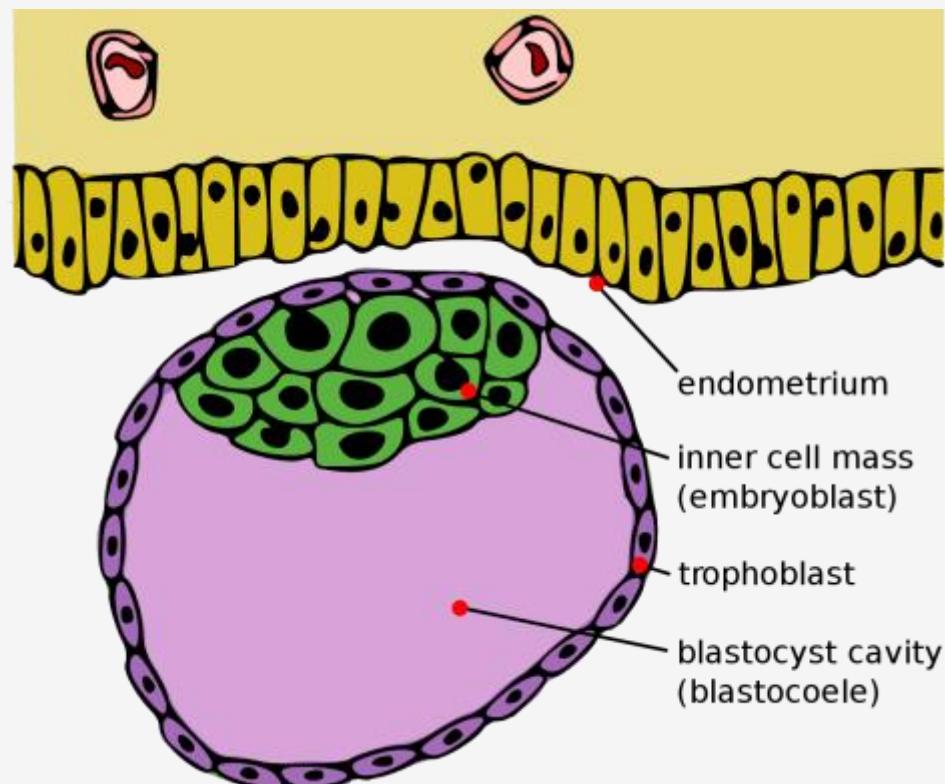
CRISPR-cas9 technique

Gene Engineering

GENE KNOCKOUT



- Diploid
- 40 chromosomes (20 pairs)

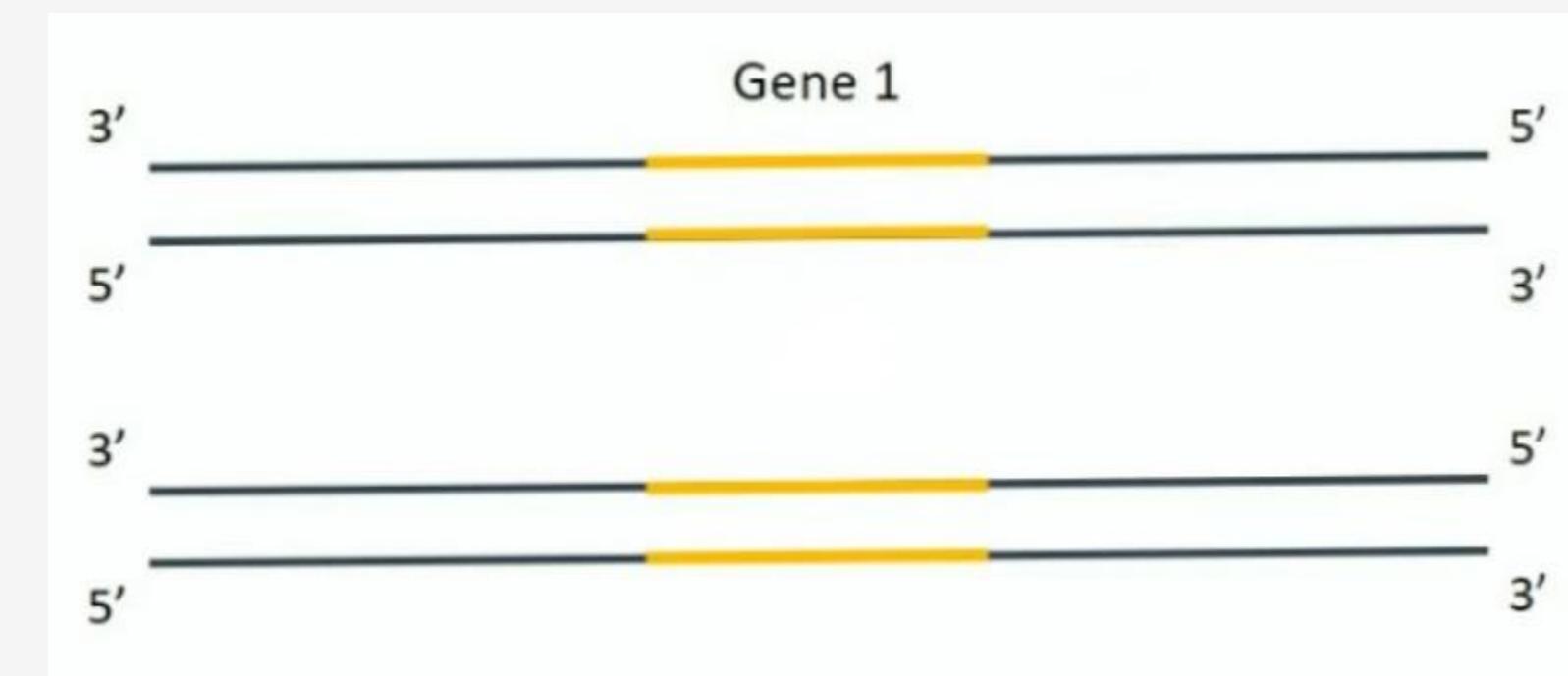


- Embryonic development
- Blastocyst
- Embryonic stem cells
- Pluripotent stem cells

GENE KNOCKOUT

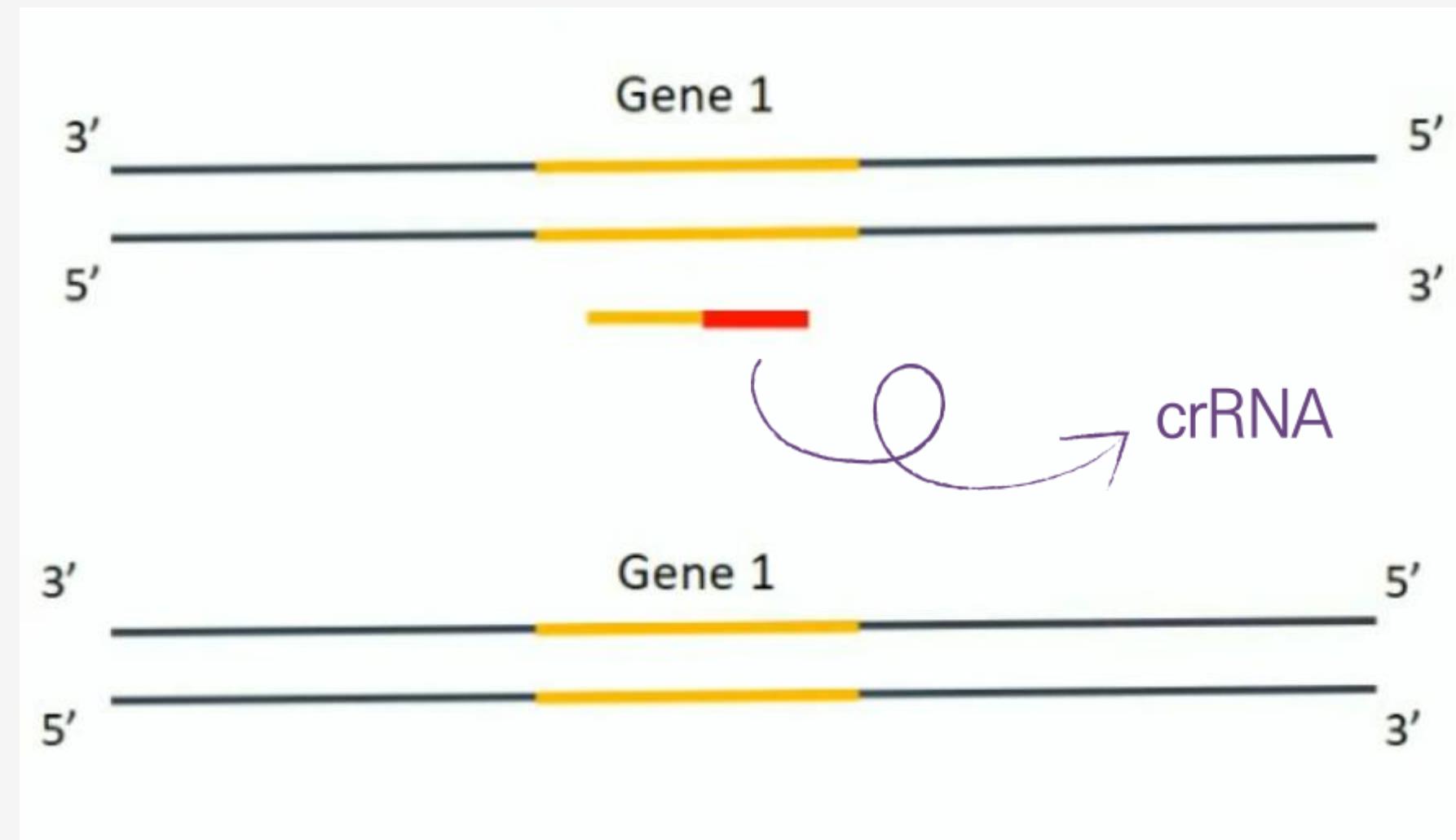


Embryonic stem cells



Suppose that Gene 1 causes certain disease,
so we want to knock out this gene

GENE KNOCKOUT



To knock out the Gene 1, we need crRNA that contains CRISPR repeat
and RNA sequence that is complementary to the coding strand

GENE KNOCKOUT

Embryonic stem cells



crRNA



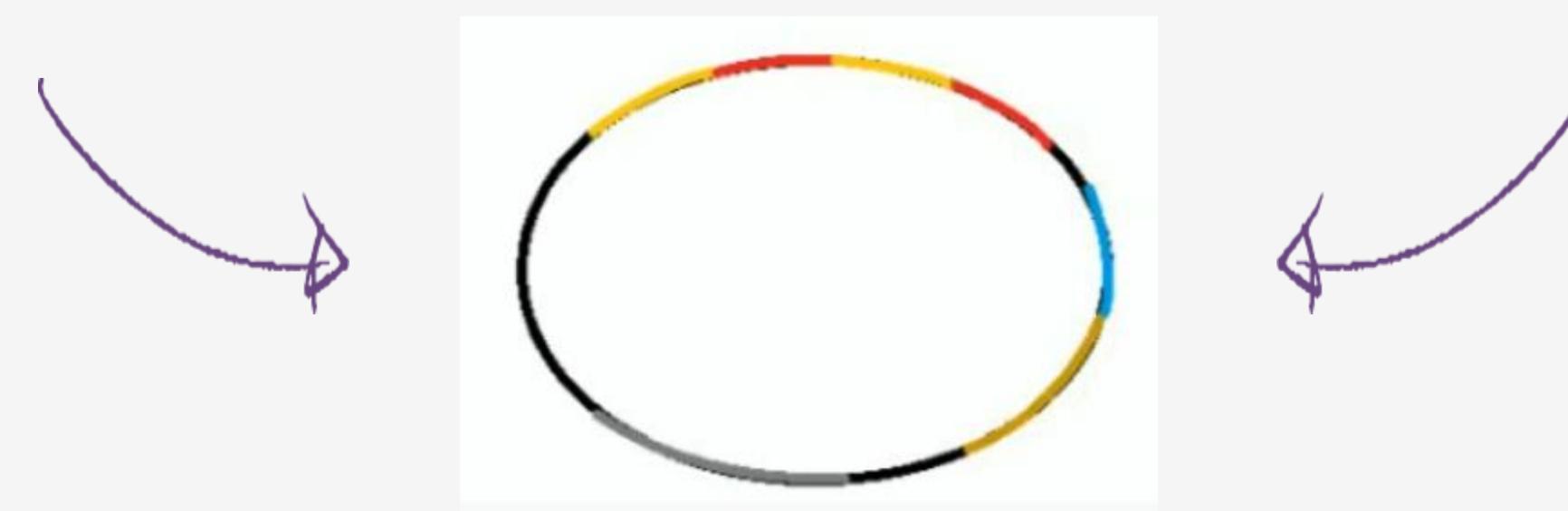
tracrRNA



Cas9



DNA Repair Template

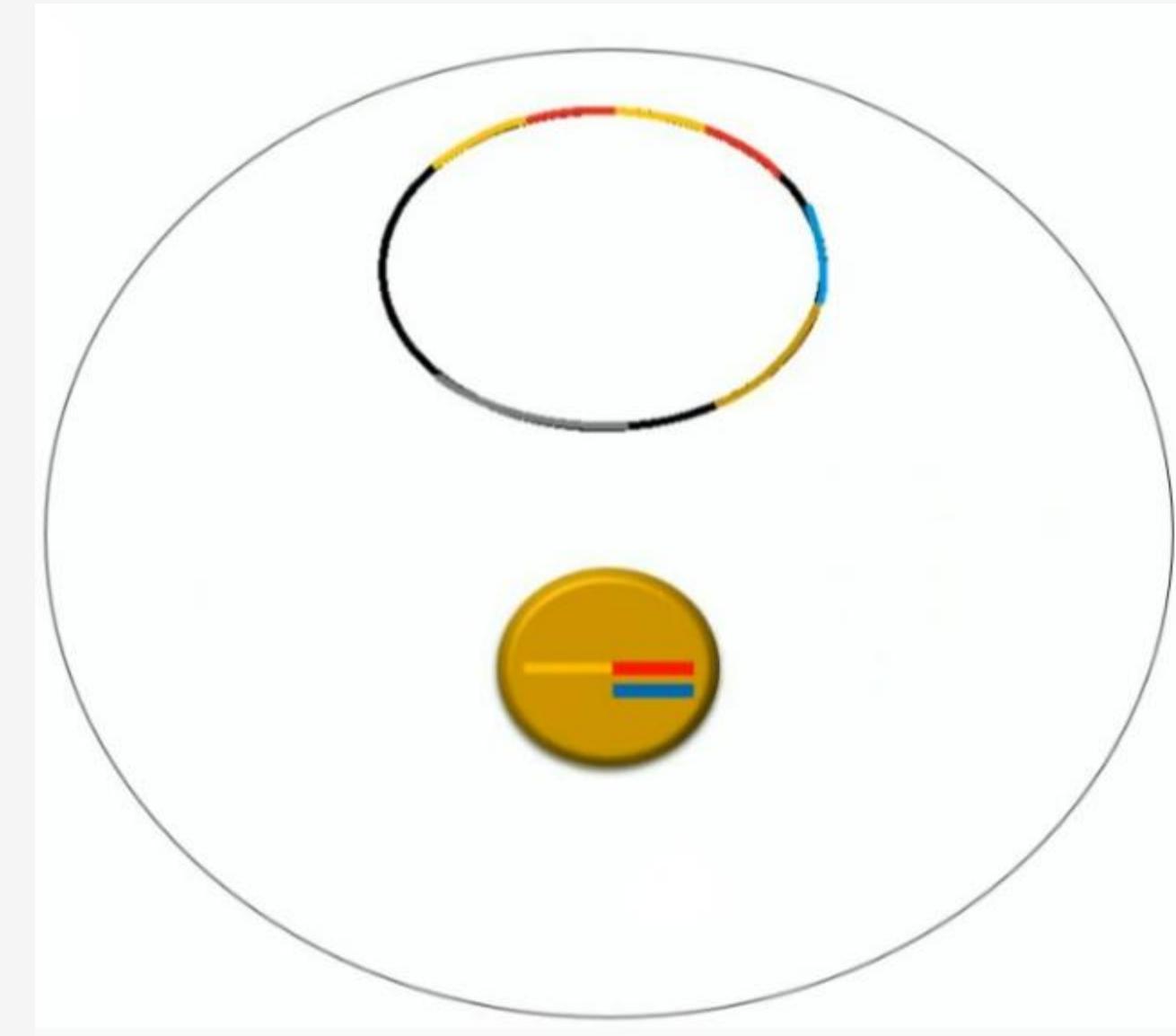


By the form of **plasmid**, all of the above components
are delivered into the embryonic cell

GENE KNOCKOUT

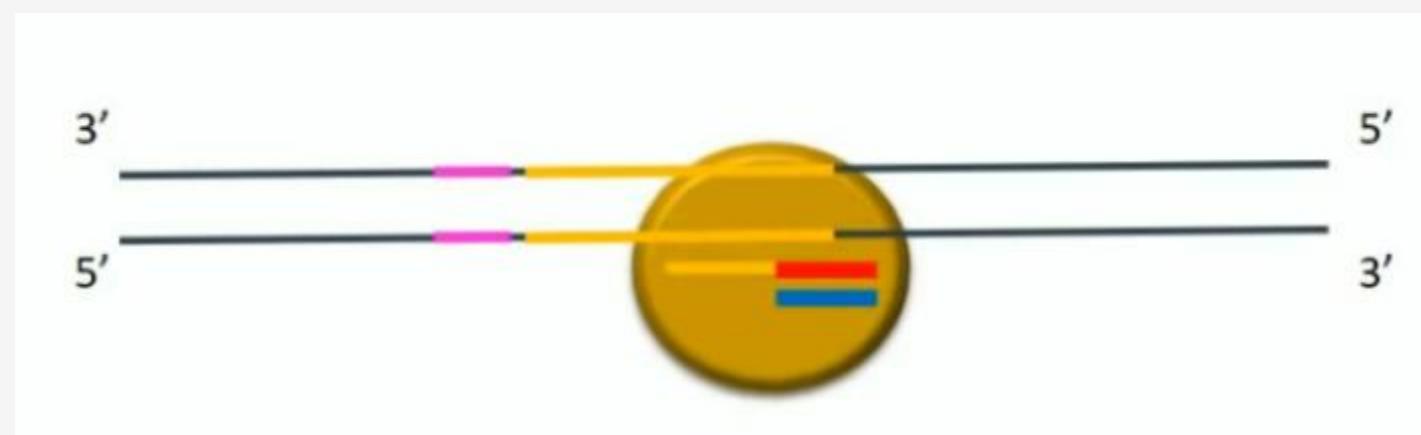


Delivered by two ways
: Electroporation
: Viruses (lentivirus, adenovirus)



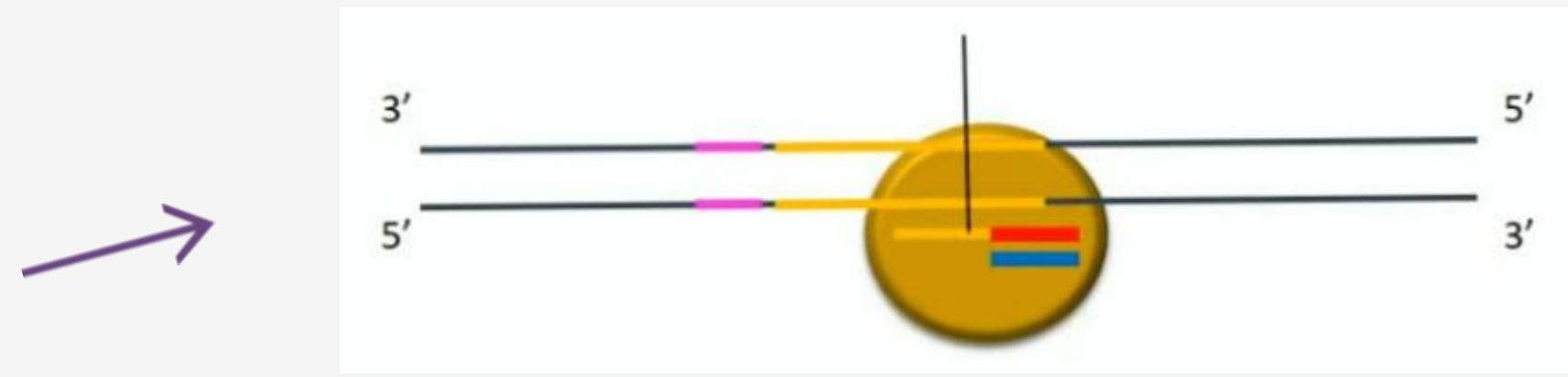
crRNA, tracrRNA, and cas9 form CRISPR–cas9 complex
in the embryonic cell

GENE KNOCKOUT



Target sequence is recognized by the RNA sequence
and PAM sequence it recognized by cas9 enzyme

→ RNA sequence binds to its complementary sequence



Cas9 enzyme undergoes double strand break or
single strand break



1. Blunt Ends (double strand break)



To prevent homology-directed repair,
DNA Repair Template is used



Rest of the Gene1 on the right part is removed and DNA Repair
Template binds to the broken sequence



Rest of the Gene1 on the left part is degraded and each strand is
linked with DNA Repair Template

2. Sticky Ends (single strand break)



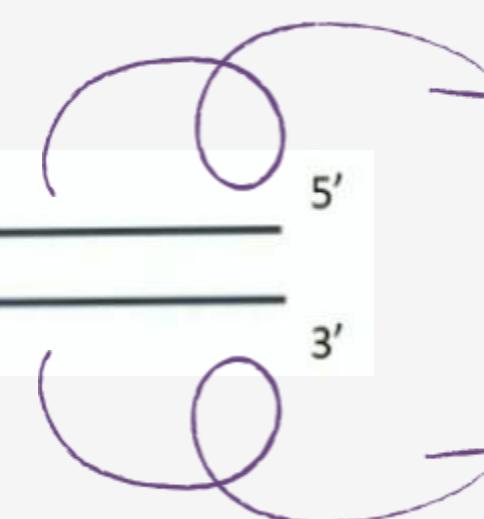
Rest of the Gene1 on left up one is chopped up



DNA invasion: left part of the strands invade the DNA Repair Template
and be copied according to the DNA Repair Template



Rest of the Gene1 is chopped up and the gap is filled using the DNA polymerase



Rest of the Gene1 on right down one is chopped up and the two strands are bound together using the ligase

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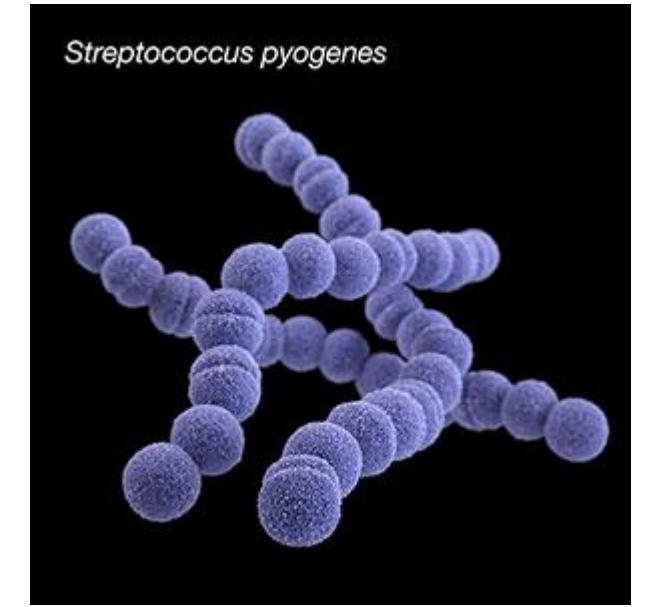
Side Effects of Genetic Scissors

Three sides effects & The ways to overcome

3. SIDE EFFECTS OF GENETIC SCISSIONS

1. Cause unwanted immune responses

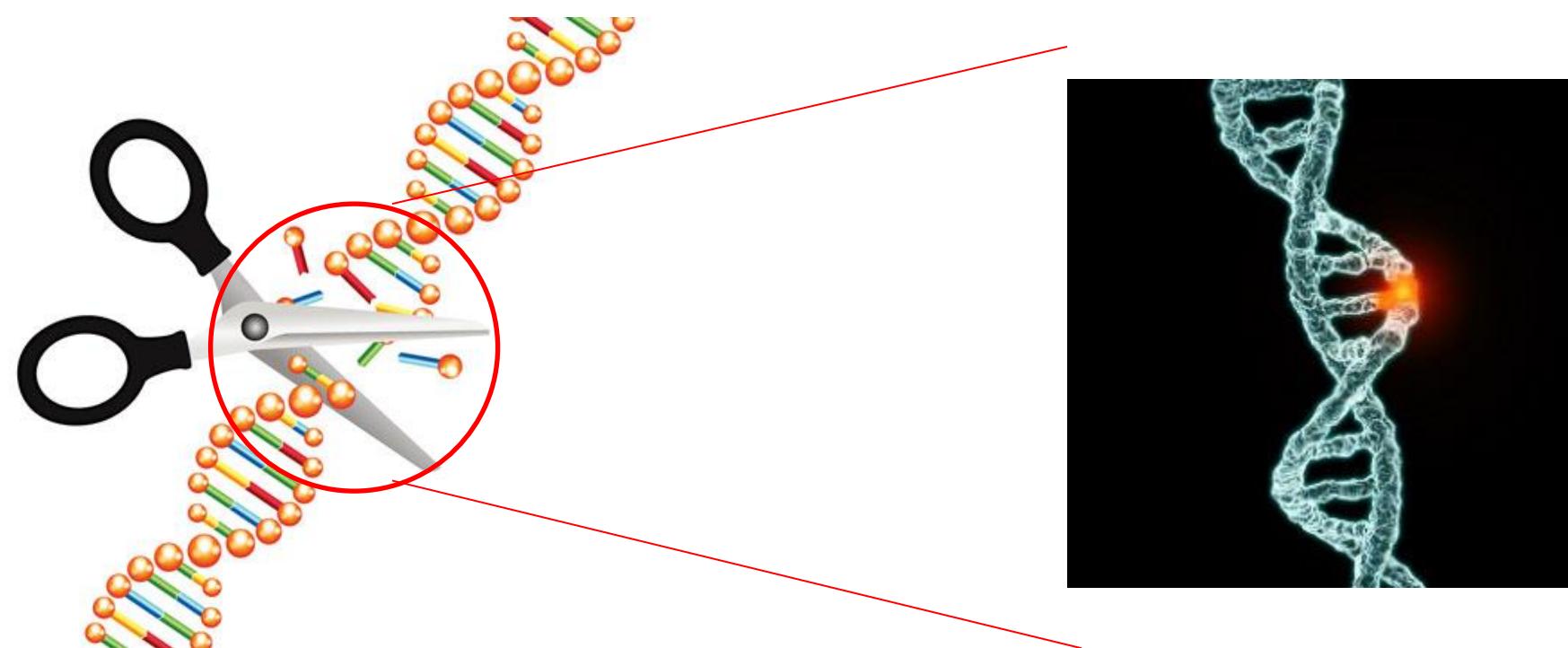
- CRISPR/Cas9 is from bacterium called streptococcus
- Get infected with this bacterium → have an immune system
- T cell react to Cas9 → affect the stability and effectiveness of genetic scissors



3. SIDE EFFECTS OF GENETIC SCISSIONS

2. Induce unwanted changes in genes

- Even if genetic scissors are precisely found at target point and cut, unexpected genetic changes can occur near the amputation point



- New mutation can cause another genetic disorder or have harmful effects on human body

3. Higher cancer risks

- p53 gene take part in the recovery process in the event of DNA damage and suppresses tumors
- Genetic scissors must cut the double helix structure of DNA → p53 interferes → genetic scissors work much better in abnormal cell where p53 does not function
- Cells that have undergone genetic scissors can eliminate tumor suppressor gene p53 so increase the risk of cancer

3. SIDE EFFECTS OF GENETIC SCISSIORS

How to overcome side effects?

- 4th generation genetic scissors(prime editter) are under study
- Prime editing can prevent cuts that occur outside the target sequence
- Replace NHEJ or HDR by cutting out only one strand of DNA and insert the correct sequence

Q & A

Any Questions?

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