# Usando Python para curar enfermedades genéticas

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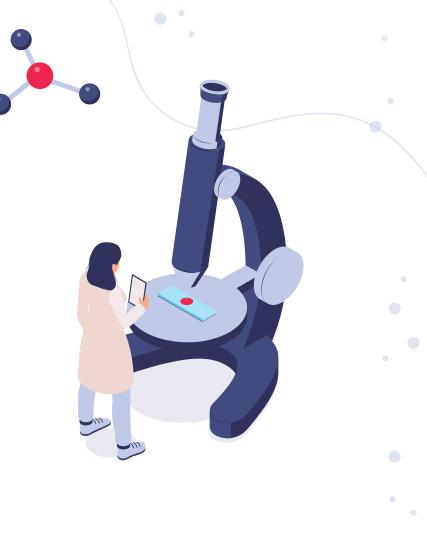
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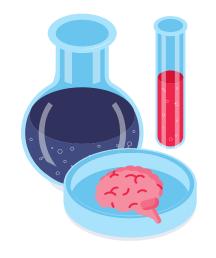
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# ¿Qué es la enfermedad de Huntington?

Enfermedad rara genética neurodegenerativa hereditaria

Producida por una mutación en el gen de la proteína Huntingtina



# De 5 a 10 afectadxs cada 100.000 habitantes

### Síntomas y tratamientos



Movimientos involuntarios, dificultad en el habla, pérdida de memoria, demencia, depresión y suicidio



Dependencia completa en los estadíos más avanzados de la enfermedad

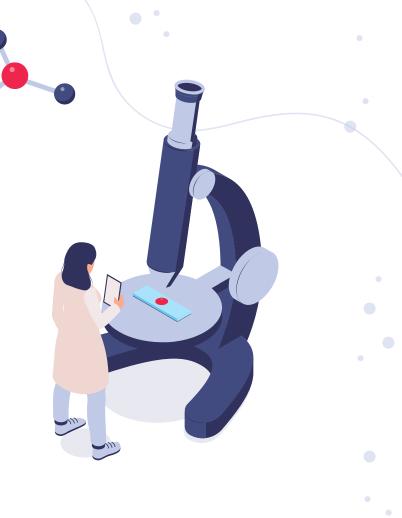


Tratamientos
paliativos
farmacológicos
Sin cura
actualmente



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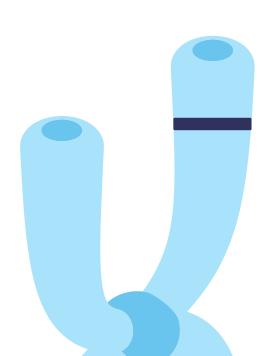
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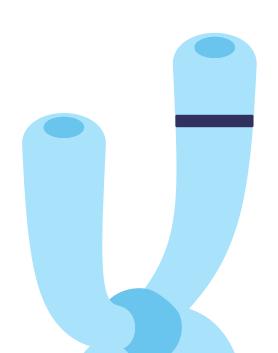


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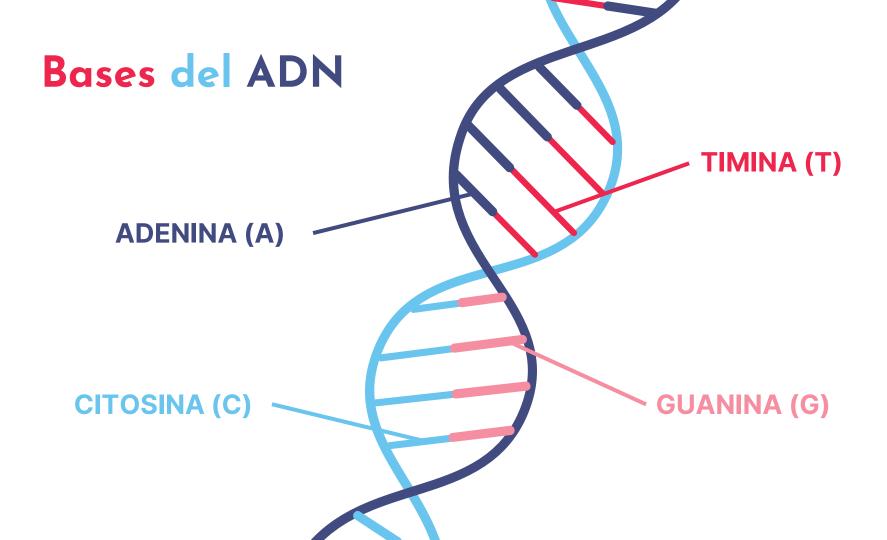
Segmento de ADN que determina un rasgo

Doble hélice formada por bases

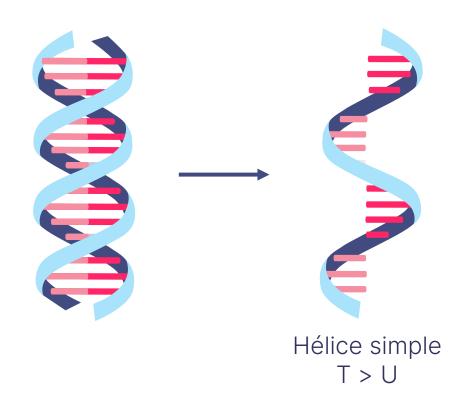


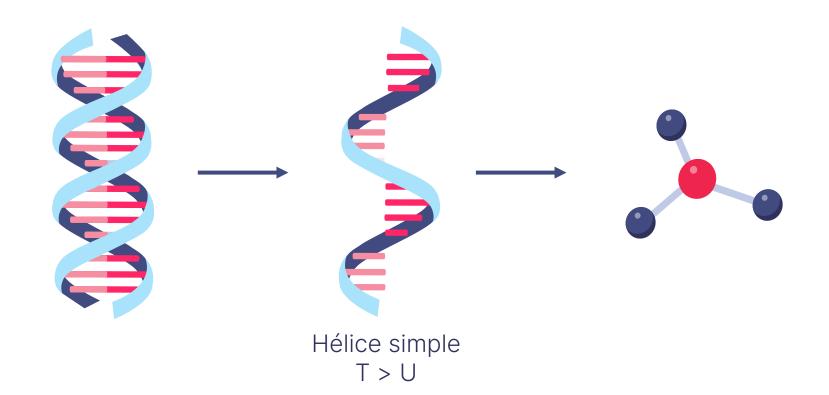






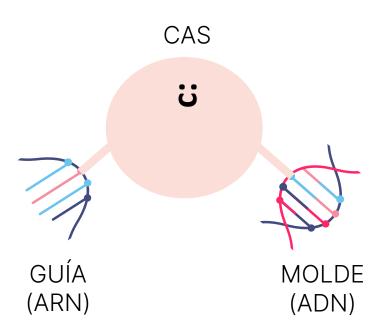




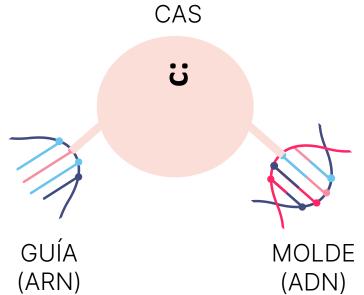


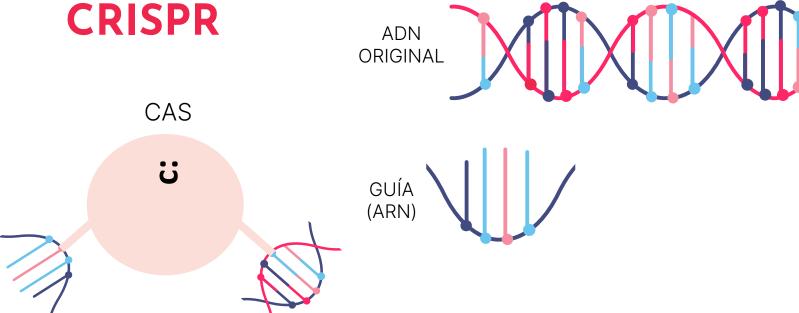


Corta y pega de secuencias de ADN (edición genética)





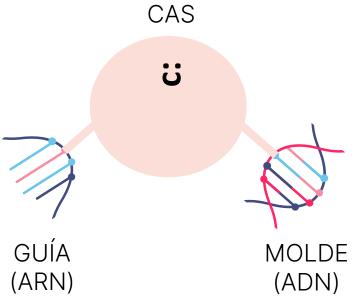




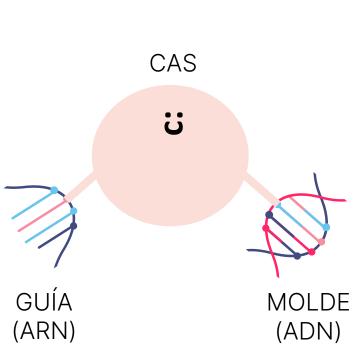
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**MOLDE** (ADN)

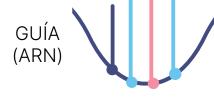






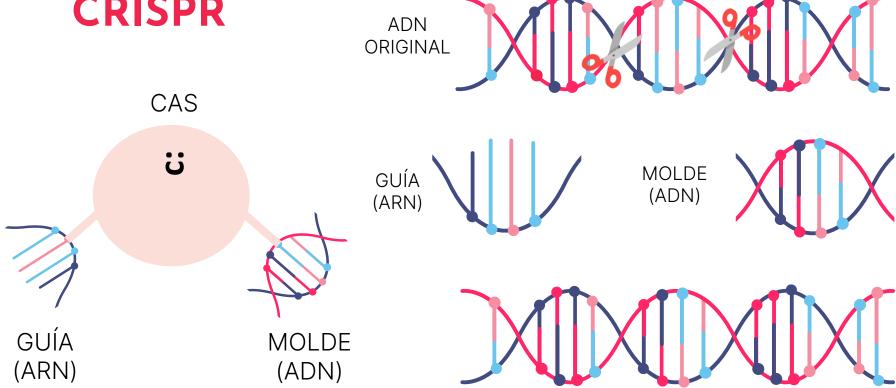








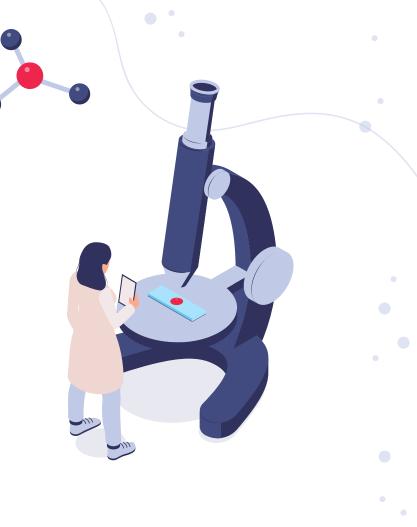




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# CASO PRÁCTICO

Tratamiento con CRISPR y Python



GEN HTT DEFECTUOSO

...GTCCCTCAAGTCCTTCCAGCAGCAGCAGCAGCAG...



> 40 repeticiones

Posición 5197

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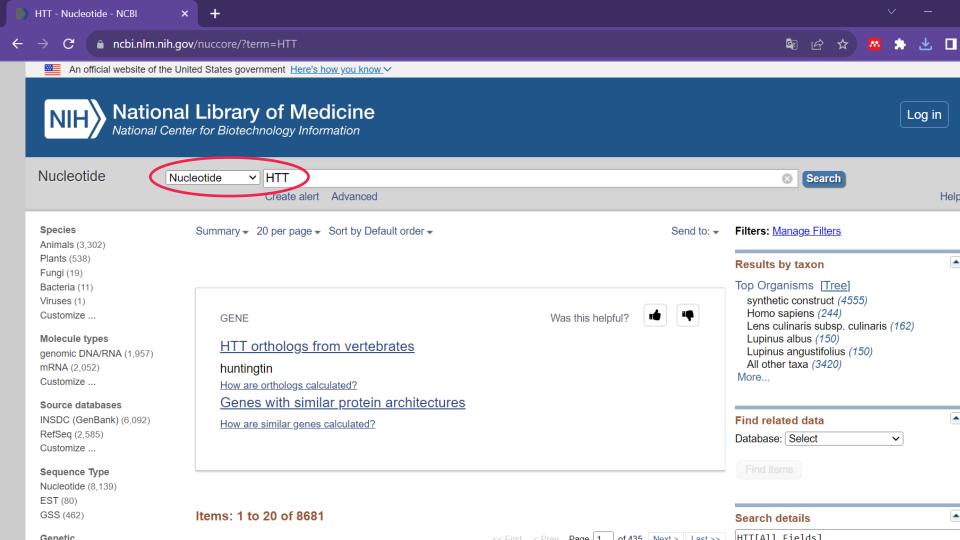
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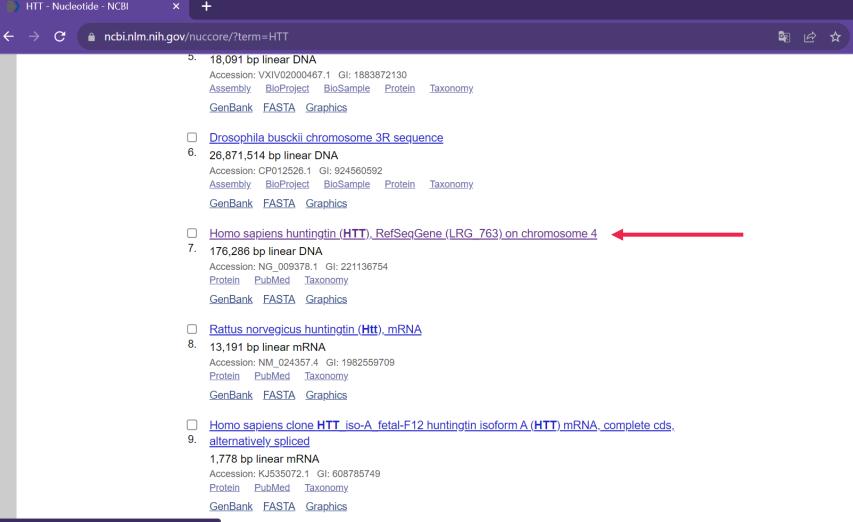
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from tkinter.filedialog import askopenfile

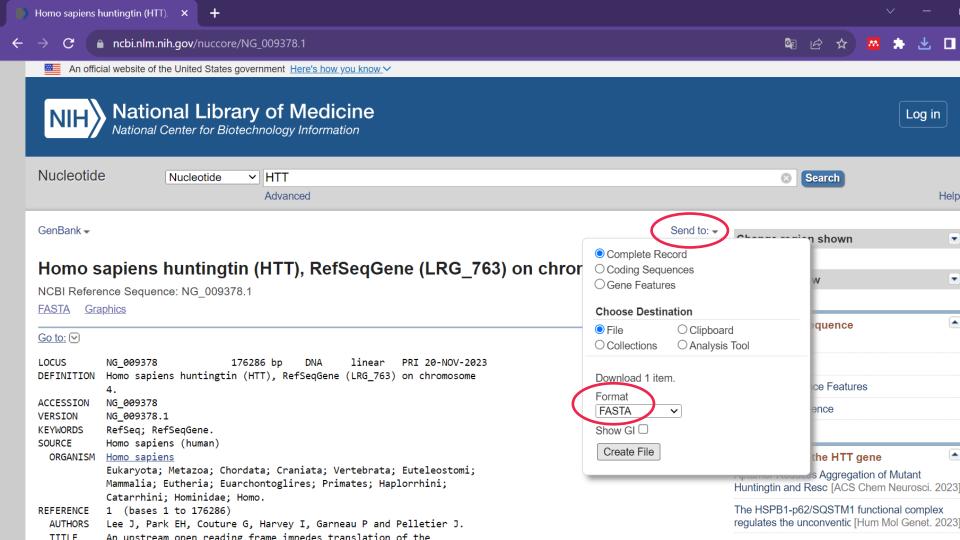
def main():

    gene_file = askopenfile(mode='r')
    gene_seq = gene_file.readlines()[1:]
    gene_seq = ''.join(gene_seq).replace('\n', '')

DNA_guide, mutated_gene_seq, mold, patient_reps = repeated_seq(gene_seq)
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```
mutated_gene_file = open('MUTATED_SEQUENCE.txt', 'w')
mutated_gene_file.write(mutated_gene_seq)
mutated_gene_file.close()

guide_file = open('GUIDE.txt', 'w')
guide_file.write(DNA_to_RNA(DNA_guide))
guide_file.close()

mold_file = open('MOLD.txt', 'w')
mold_file.write(mold)
mold_file.close()
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```
def DNA to RNA(DNA guide):
    RNA guide = ""
    for base in DNA guide:
        if base == "T":
            RNA guide += "A"
        elif base == "A":
            RNA guide += "U"
        elif base == "C":
            RNA guide += "G"
        elif base == "G":
            RNA guide += "C"
    return RNA guide
```

```
def repeated seq(gene seq):
   mutation position = int(input("Introduce the numeric position of the mutation base (e.g. 1, 25, 203): "))
    while mutation position <= 0:
        print('Invalid input. Introduce positive number. ')
       mutation position = int(input("Introduce the numeric position of the mutation base (e.g. 1, 25, 203): "))
    rep letters = input("Introduce the letters that are repeated (e.g. AAT, CAG, CCGT, GACTA): ")
    healthy reps = int(input("Introduce the healthy number of repetitions (e.g. 20, 35, 42): "))
    while healthy reps <= 0:
       print('Invalid input. Introduce positive number. ')
       healthy reps = int(input("Introduce the healthy number of repetitions (e.g. 20, 35, 42): "))
    patient reps = []
    gene seq slice = gene seq[mutation position-1:]
    i = 0
    while gene seq slice.find(rep letters) != -1:
        patient reps.append(gene seq slice.find(rep letters))
       if i >= 2:
            if patient reps[-1] - patient reps[-2] != len(rep letters):
                break
        gene seg slice = gene seg slice.replace(rep letters, "*" * len(rep letters), 1)
        i += 1
    DNA_guide = rep_letters * (len(patient_reps)-1)
    mold = rep_letters * healthy_reps
    mutated gene seq = gene seq[:mutation position-1] + mold + gene seq[mutation position+(len(patient reps)-1)*len(rep letters)-1:]
    return DNA guide, mutated gene seq, mold, patient reps
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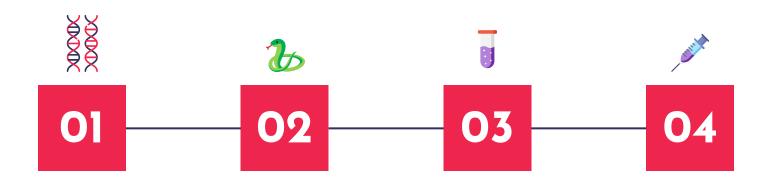
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### Timeline del tratamiento



#### Diseño

A través de una secuenciación genética del paciente

#### **Python**

Automatiza el diseño de CRISPR

#### Síntesis

Producción bioquímica del sistema con guía y molde

#### Inyección

Intracraneal o intravenosa

# Más aplicaciones terapéuticas.



Células CAR-T contra el cáncer



Terapia antiviral (SARS-CoV-2, VIH)



Lucha contra enfermedades infecciosas (malaria, fiebre amarilla)

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# iMuchas gracias!

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