

# Describing variants

*"mutation nomenclature"*

***recommendations for the  
description of DNA changes***

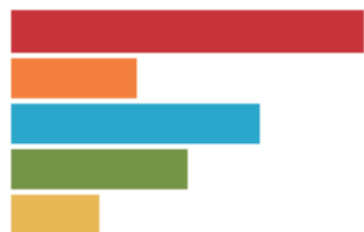


*[tinyurl.com/Avans201904a](https://tinyurl.com/Avans201904a)*

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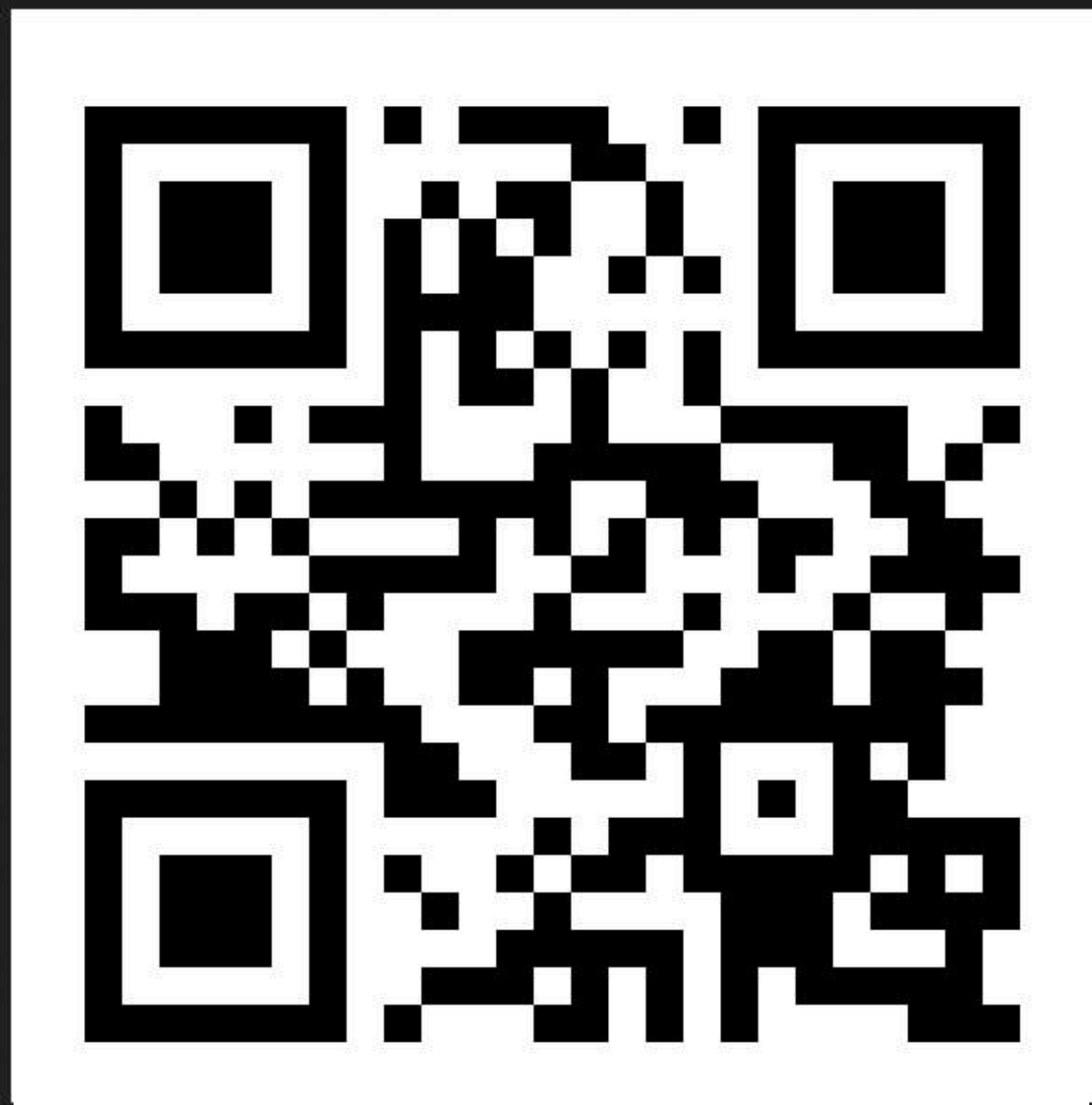
*<http://varnomen.HGVS.org>*

DirectPoll



# Q & A

*scan QR code*



*or go to <http://etc.ch/BbTP>*

# Subjects

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## Reporting sequence variants

- *who decides*
- *where do I find the rules*  
*varnomen.HGVS.org*
- *describing variants*  
*brief, basics only org*
- *HGVS in practice*  
*Q&A sessions*  
*exercises*  
  
*your problem*



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# Affiliations

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*get all variants/consequences  
shared*



*standards for variant  
description and databases*



*standards for cytogenetic  
variant descriptions*



*software for web-based  
gene databases*

# HGVS standard

## The format

The format of a complete variant description is **reference:description**, e.g.;

\* NM\_004006.2:c.4375C>T

*NC\_000011.9 : g.111548892del*

NOTE: spaces added  
for clarity only



# Standards

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- **essential**  
*to understand each other*  
*to exchange information*
- **preferably ONE standard**  
*used world-wide*  
*agreed by everybody*
- **..but difficult**  
*everybody agrees*  
*...when their standard is used*  
*how to agree on changes ?*  
*which authority to decide ?*

Celsius / Fahrenheit  
kilometers / miles  
liter / gallon



# Still a problem?

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GENETICS IN MEDICINE | ACMG STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

Standards and guidelines for the interpretation of sequence variants: a joint consensus recommendation of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics and the Association for Molecular Pathology

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**ACMG: follow the HGVS recommendations ...**



**but...**

In addition, this ACMG recommendation supports three specific exceptions to the HGVS nomenclature rules: 1) "X" is still considered acceptable for use in reporting nonsense variants in addition to the current HGVS recommendation of "\*" and "Ter"; 2) it is recommended



# X to \*

- protein changes

*historically the X used for "stop codon"*

> *IUPAC amino acid codes*

*X = any amino acid*

> *NCBI amino acid codes*

*X = any amino acid, \* = translation stop*



>>> **change X to \* / Ter**

*p.Arg321\**

*p.Arg321Glufs\*13*

*p.\*535Glnext\*17*



# The problem

- share & retrieve

*alternative descriptions*

*when alternative descriptions are accepted it becomes problematic to find previous reports*

NCBI dbSNP Short Genetic Variations

g.73678  
c.1210-1

ttttgatgtgtgtgtgtgtgtgtgtgtgtgtttttttaacag

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188660\_117188661insTG  
NC\_000007.13:g.117188660\_117188661insTGTTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548606\_117548607insTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548606\_117548607insTGTTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87823\_87824insTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87823\_87824insTGTTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-35\_1210-34insTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-35\_1210-34insTGTTG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188661\_117188662delTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548607\_117548608delTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87824\_87825delTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-34\_1210-33del  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-34\_1210-33delTG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188662\_117188663insTG  
NC\_000007.13:g.117188662\_117188663insTGTTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548608\_117548609insTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548608\_117548609insTGTTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87825\_87826insTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87825\_87826insTGTTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-33\_1210-32insTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-33\_1210-32insTGTTG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188684T>G  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548630T>G  
NG\_016465.4:g.87847T>G  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-11T>G

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188661\_117188662TG[11][12]  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548607\_117548608TG[11][12]  
NG\_016465.4:g.87824\_87825TG[11][12]  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-34\_1210-33TG[11][12]

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188682delG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548628delG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87845delG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-13delG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188682\_117188683insT  
NC\_000007.13:g.117188682\_117188683insTGTT  
NC\_000007.13:g.117188682\_117188683insTT

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188684\_117188685insG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548630\_117548631insG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87847\_87848insG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-11\_1210-10insG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188661\_117188664delTGTTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548607\_117548610delTGTTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87824\_87827delTGTTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-34\_1210-31delTGTTG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188682G>T  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548628G>T  
NG\_016465.4:g.87845G>T  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-13G>T

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188683delT  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548629delT  
NG\_016465.4:g.87846delT  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-12delT

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188688T[5][7][9]  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548634T[5][7][9]  
NG\_016465.4:g.87851T[5][7][9]

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188661\_117188666delTGTTG  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548607\_117548612delTGTTG  
NG\_016465.4:g.87824\_87829delTGTTG  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-34\_1210-29delTGTTG

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188681\_117188684delTGTT  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548627\_117548630delTGTT  
NG\_016465.4:g.87844\_87847delTGTT  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-14\_1210-11delTGTT

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188683\_117188684delTT  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548629\_117548630delTT  
NG\_016465.4:g.87846\_87847delTT  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-12\_1210-11delTT

**HGVS Names**

NC\_000007.13:g.117188689\_117188690insTT  
NC\_000007.14:g.117548635\_117548636insTT  
NG\_016465.4:g.87852\_87853insTT  
NM\_000492.3:c.1210-6\_1210-5insTT



# Variant description

*the basis*

[http:// varnomen.HGVS.org](http://varnomen.HGVS.org)

SPECIAL ARTICLE

Human Mutation

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HUMAN GENOME  
VARIATION SOCIETY

[www.hgvs.org](http://www.hgvs.org)

## HGVS Recommendations for the Description of Sequence Variants: 2016 Update

*Hum Mutat* (2016) 37:564-569

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behalf of the Human Genome Variation Society (HGVS), the Human Variome Project (HVP), and the Human Genome  
Organisation (HUGO)

HUMAN MUTATION 15:7-12 (2000)

MDI SPECIAL ARTICLE

## Mutation Nomenclature Extensions and Suggestions to Describe Complex Mutations: A Discussion

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Consistent gene mutation nomenclature is essential for efficient and accurate reporting, testing, and curation of the growing number of disease mutations and useful polymorphisms being discovered in the human genome. While a codified mutation nomenclature system for simple DNA lesions has now been adopted broadly by the medical genetics community, it is inherently difficult to represent complex mutations in a unified manner. In this article, suggestions are presented for reporting just such complex mutations. *Hum Mutat* 15:7-12, 2000. © 2000 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

KEY WORDS: complex mutation; mutation detection; mutation database; nomenclature; MDI





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## Sequence Variant Description working group

### Working Group Members:

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  - Donna Maglott (NCBI/EBI)
  - Jean McGowan-Jordan (ISCN)
  - Peter Taschner (LSDBs)
  - Raymond Dalgleish (LSDBs)
  - Reece Hart (industry)
  - Johan den Dunnen (chair)
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  - HUGO - Stylianos Antonarakis



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Recent Additions

An overview of recent additions, especially those that led to a change of the *HGVS version number*, can be found on the [Versioning page](#). The [Open Issues](#) page shows whether there are proposals open for *Community Consultation* and which topics are currently *under discussion* (pre-proposal...

***Follow the recommendations  
when you disagree, start a debate***

***do not use private rules,  
this only causes confusion***

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Protein	Uncertain	Checklist
Open Issues		

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## Sequence Variant Nomenclature

What is the sequence variant nomenclature?

DNA

- [Substitution](#)
- [Deletion](#)
- [Duplication](#)
- [Insertion](#)
- [Inversion](#)
- [Conversion](#)
- [Deletion/insertion \(indel\)](#)
- [Alleles](#)
- [Repeated sequences](#)
- [Complex \(hgvs/iscn\)](#)

### DNA Recommendations

### Deletion variant

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### Definitions

**Deletion** a sequence change where, compared to a reference sequence, one or more nucleotides are not present (deleted).

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### Description

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### Examples

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### Discussions

Variants

Substitution	Deletion	Duplication
Insertion	Inversion	Conversion
Deletion/insertion (indel)	Alleles	Repeated sequences
Complex (hgvs/iscn)		

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# Versioning

*current version is 19.01 (Jan.2019)*

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## Versioning

The current HGVS version number is shown in the top right corner of this web site (“**Version xx.xx**”). Note the version does not change when a typing error is corrected, an example added, an explanation clarified or a question answered. Outside the core HGVS recommendations, covered by the version number, the recommendations have “**named extensions**”, i.e optional extensions for a specific use. Supporting named extensions is optional. A proper reference to the version of the HGVS nomenclature should mention the version number and the named extensions supported.

The current version is HGVS nomenclature v19.01.

For issues currently discussed see [Open for Community Consultation](#) or [Open Issues](#).

*and “named extension”: ISCN*



# Community Consultation

## Community Consultation

HGVS nomenclature falls under the responsibility of the SVD-WG ([Sequence Variant Description Working Group](#)). The SVD-WG handles requests to change or extend HGVS nomenclature operating according to a charter defining its activities ([see HVP website](#)) which includes a **Community Consultation** step. Any proposal made by the SVD-WG will be **published on this web page**. When published, the proposal is open for comments for a 2-month period. Everybody interested is asked to study the proposal and send comments, positive or negative, to the SVD-WG. Comments to proposals should be addressed to "Varnomen @ variome.org", Subject: SVD-WGxxx (xxx the proposal number, e.g. SVD-WG001).

To ensure you **do not miss** a new proposal [please register for e-mail notification](#). Those registered will also receive notification when the HGVS nomenclature version number changes. The latest version of the HGVS recommendations can be found at the [Versioning page](#).



*open soon*

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## Community Consultation

### Proposal SVD-WG007 (RNA fusion)

- **Status: open**

proposal SVD-WG007 opened for **Community Consultation** on March 20 (2019), will closed May.31 (2019).

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These HGVS pages will be used to discuss any subject we encounter regarding the "Recommendations for the description of sequence variants".

<http://www.HGVS.org/mutnomen>

PHOTOS



October 17

Intron after stop codon

Q: how do I number a variant which is at position 13 in an intron immediately following the last nucleotide (c.876) of the stop codon? c.\*0+13C>T can not be since HGVS does not use position "0".

A: since the variant is in an intron at position 13 after nucleotide c.876 the correct description is c.876+13C>T.

Interesting to note is that in this peculiar example nucleotides in the intron are numbered like c.876+1, c.876+2, c.876+3, ... c.\*1-3, c.\*1-2, c.\*1-1.



HGVS shared a link.

October 19

Tue. Oct. 21, 12:30-14:00, HVP Sequence Variant Description workshop ASHG, room 28A, San Diego Convention Center. What are we going to do? Discuss variant nomenclature! After a short introduction on the basics, the recommen... [See More](#)



**Schedule of Events | ASHG 2014**  
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HGVS and ISCN

HGVS made recommendations to describe variants at nucleotide level. However, first variants... [fb.me/2xWBGUDly](https://fb.me/2xWBGUDly)



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Unique indel being an inversion

Q: how to describe variant c.3821\_3825delTCACTinsAGTGA, an in-frame indel... [fb.me/1hJnxny03](https://fb.me/1hJnxny03)



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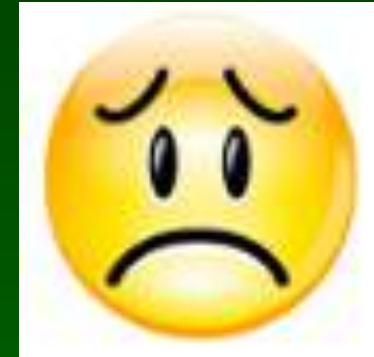
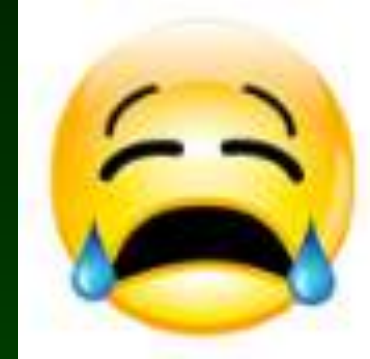
The basics - slide presentation .. now updated.

The slide presentation explaining the basics of the variant... [fb.me/2778rhFVz](https://fb.me/2778rhFVz)



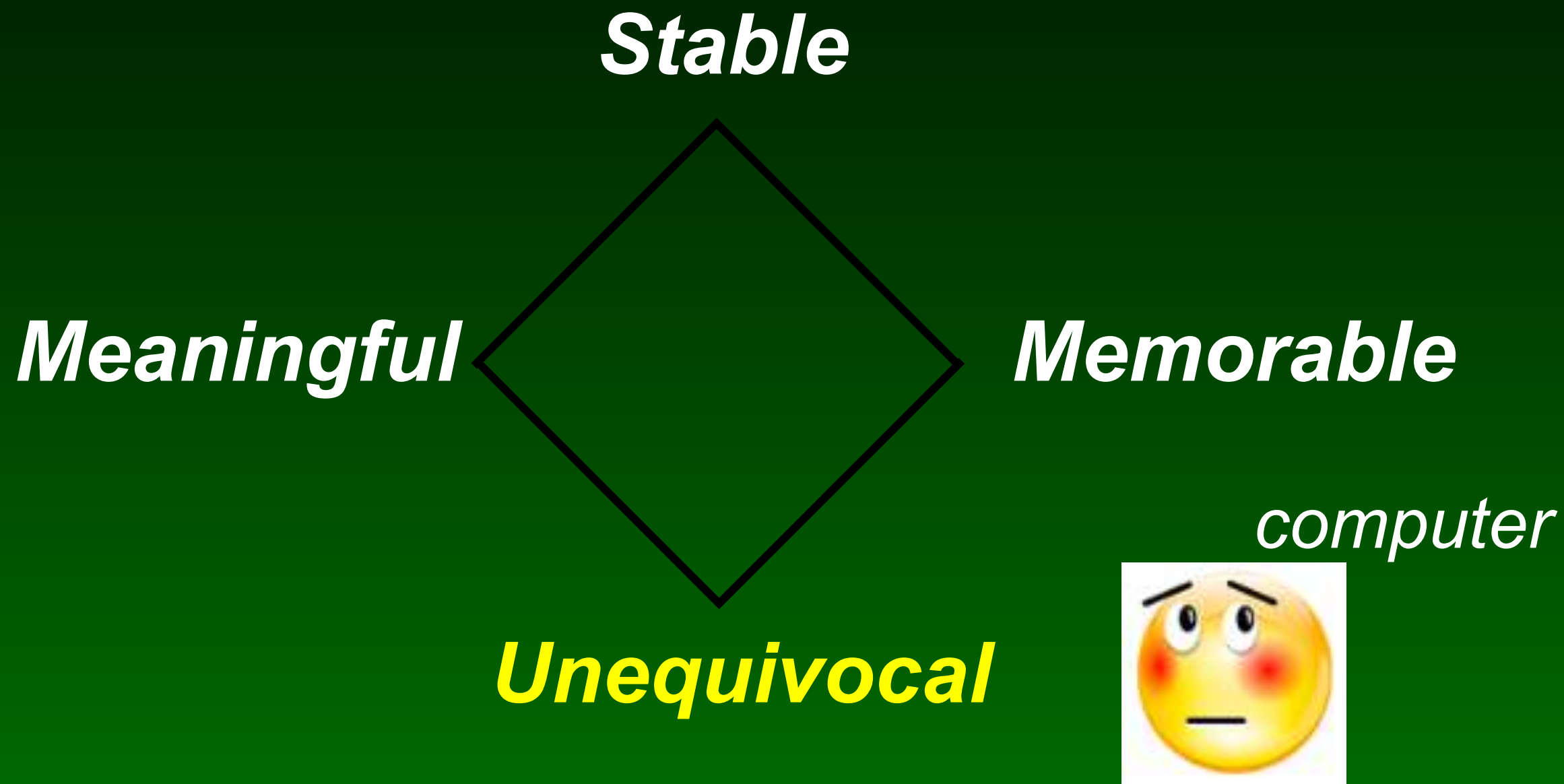


# Emotions



# Nomenclature

( *describing DNA variants* )



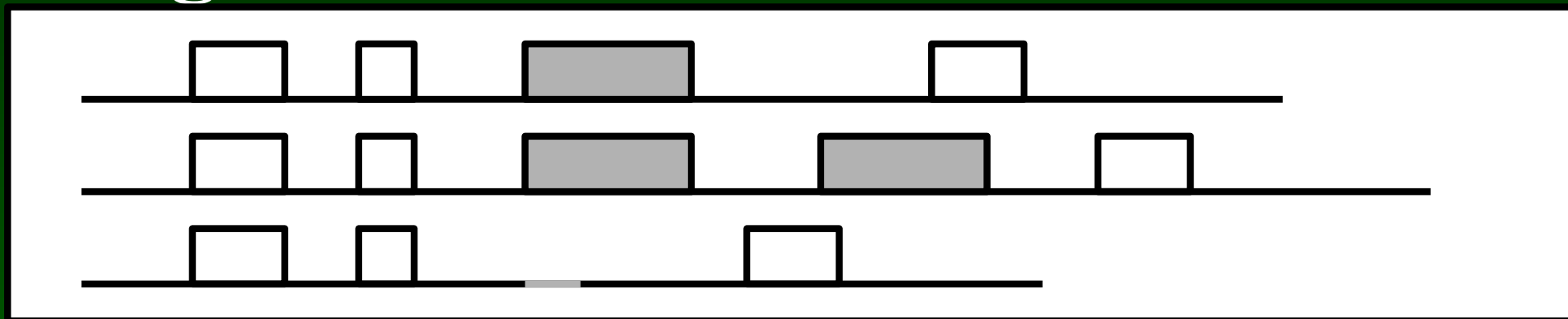
# Variant types

- change in sequence

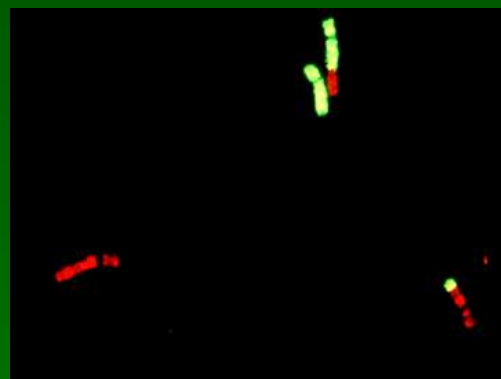
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ACATCAGGAGAAGATGTTT GAGACTTTGCCA
ACATCAGGAGAAGATGTTT GAGACTTTGCCA
ACATCAGGAGAAGATGTT  GAGACTTTGCCA
ACATCAGGAGAAGATGTTT GAGACTTTGCCA
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ISCN

- change in amount (Copy Number Variation)



- change in position



Structural Variation (SV)

# DNA, RNA, protein

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- unique descriptions  
*prevent confusion*
- DNA  
A, G, C, T  
*g.957A>T, c.63-3T>C*
- RNA  
a, g, c, u  
*r.957a>u, r.(?), r.spl?*
- protein *( mostly deduced )*  
*three / one letter amino acid code*  
\* = stop codon  
*p.(His78Gln)*





# Basic rules

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- report what is detected  
*NOT what is predicted*  
*NOT p.Gly202Trp, but c.604G>T*  
*or c.604G>T (r.(?), p.(Gly202Trp))*
- give a reference sequence  
*accession.version number*  
*genomic (chromosomal) or LRG*
- use the 3' rule  
*shift change as far 3' as possible*



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# Numbering residues



- **start with 1**

*genomic*                      *1 is first nucleotide of file*  
*no +, - or other signs*

*coding DNA*            *1 is A of ATG*  
*for introns refer to genomic Reference Sequence*

- **exception: coding DNA**

*5' of ATG*            *..., -3, -2, -1, A, T, G, ...*  
*no nucleotide 0*

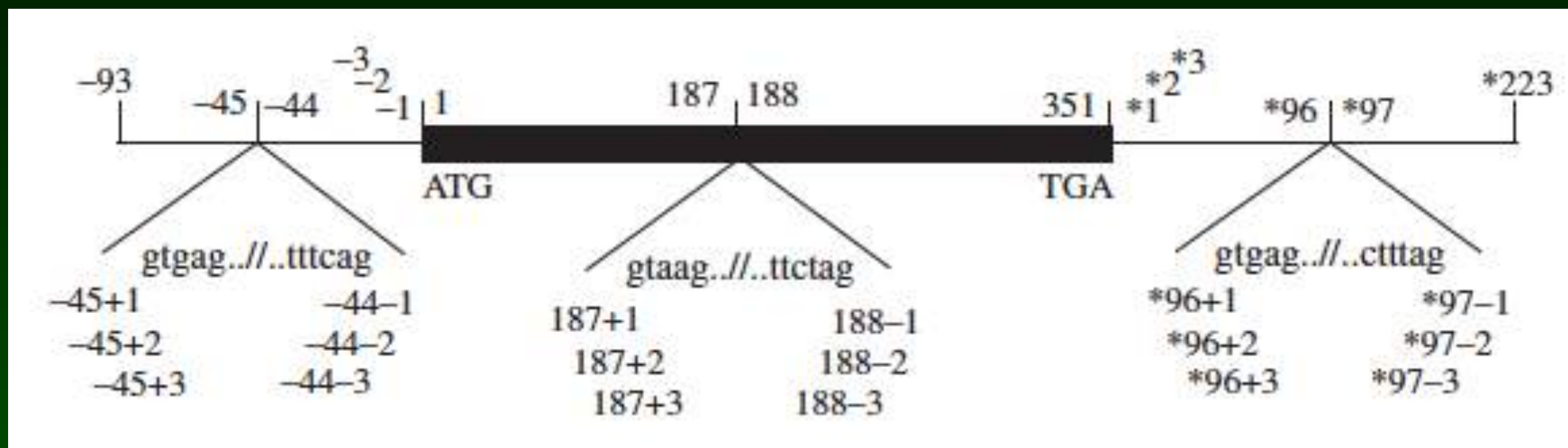
*3' of stop*            *\*1, \*2, \*3, ...*  
*no nucleotide 0*

*intron*

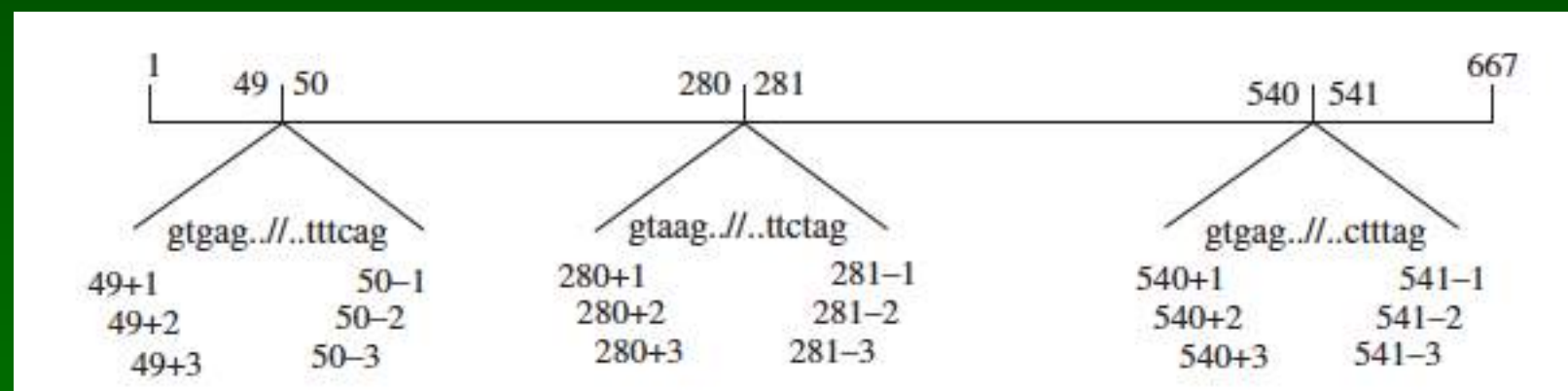
*position between nt's 654 and 655*  
*c.654+1, +2, +3, ....., -3, -2, c.655-1*  
*change + to - in middle*

# Reference Sequence

*coding DNA reference sequence (c.)*



*non-coding DNA reference sequence (n.)*



e.g. [www.LOVD.nl/CAV3](http://www.LOVD.nl/CAV3)

## Caveolin-3 (CAV3) - coding DNA reference sequence

(used for mutation description)

(last modified January 5, 2011)

This file was created to facilitate the description of sequence variants in the CAV3 gene based on a coding DNA reference sequence following [the HGVS recommendations](#). The sequence was taken from [NG\\_008797.1](#), covering CAV3 transcript variant-1 ([NM\\_033337.2](#)). An alternatively spliced transcript has been reported, removing part of exon 2 (after the stop codon, [NM\\_001234.3](#)).

Please note that introns are available by clicking on the exon numbers above the sequence.

(upstream sequence)

caagtat g.5007  
c.-61

tttcagccccagccggccacacagctcggtatctctctgtggatccccagctctg g.5067  
c.-1

ATGATGGCAGAAGAGCACACAGATCTCGAGGCCAGATCGTCAAGGATATCCACTGCAAG g.5127  
M M A E E H T D L E A Q I V K D I H C K c.60  
p.20

GAGATTGACCTGGTGAACCCGAGACCCCAAGAACATTAACGAGGACATAGTCAAG 02 g.16722  
E I D L V N R D P K N I N E D I V K GTGGAT c.120  
V D p.40

TTTGAAGACGTGATCGCAGAGCCTGTGGGCACCTACAGCTTTGACGGCGTGTGAAGTGT g.16782  
F E D V c.180

ACCATCAACAGCTACGAGATGCGAAATGCAGTCAACGACGCAG 22 g.67798  
T I N S Y E M R N A V N D A G GATTCCACCTCAACAAC c.2280  
p.760

CAGCTCTATGACATCATTACCATGCGGTACGCAGACAAACACATGAACATCGACTTTGAC g.67858  
Q L Y D I I T M R Y A D K H M N I D F D c.2340  
p.780

AGTTTCATCTGCTGCTTCGTTAGGCTGGAGGGCATGTTCA 23 g.68204  
S F I C C F V R L E G M F R A F H A F D c.2400  
p.800

AAGGATGGAGATGGTATCATCAAGCTCAACGTTCTGGAG 24 g.68665  
K D G D G I I K L N V L E TGGCTGCAGCTCACCATGTAT c.2460  
p.820

GCCTGA g.68671  
A X c.2466  
p.821

accaggctggcctcatccaagccatgcaggatcactcaggatttcagttaccctcta g.68731  
c.\*60

tttccaaagccatttacctcaaaggaccagcagctacaccctacaggcttcaggcac g.68791  
c.\*120

exon	c.startExon	c.endExon	g.startExon	g.endExon	lengthExon	lengthIntron
1	-197	75	5001	5272	272	3360
2	76	224	8633	8781	149	1852
3	225	438	10634	10847	214	6124
4	439	542	16972	17075	104	1763
5	543	670	18839	18966	128	14963
6	671	789	33930	34048	119	912
7	790	970	34961	35141	181	8363
8	971	1065	43505	43599	95	360
9	1066	1261	43960	44155	196	2204
10	1262	1337	46360	46435	76	1460
11	1338	*2768	47896	50886	2991	

## Calpain-3 (CAPN3) - 313 nt intron 11

(intronic numbering for coding DNA Reference)

gtgtgcagtcctgattggctccagcccaggaaacatactttccaggaggagcgttcca g.58768  
c.1524+60

ggggcttctagagggggccctctggcttcctcaataccagtgacccacagagctcctggt g.58828  
c.1524+120

atcaggaccacttgtgtttgtaacaagcaaaaaatac g.58865  
c.1524+157

----- middle of intron -----  
g.58866 g.58901  
c.1525-156 cagggggggcattagagaggcagtgaggcgggcctg c.1525-121

gcagaacagggtgcctgggggtcaggcttcgcgatgcgggctgcagttgctggcattgcct g.58961  
c.1525-61

tccgcaggctcctcatcctcattcacatctgaagcatcttcctttctgtttcttctcaag g.59021  
c.1525-1

# Computer preferred

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- g.12158663A>G

*hint chr.11 (hg19)*



# Computer preferred

- g.12158663A>G
- g.23669859>C
- g.89112396G>A
- g.112775623C>G
- g.56569443A>T
- g.12741333T>G
- g.188153979G>C



*no relation to  
RNA & protein*



# Numbering - coding DNA

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- c.2396-6G>A

*in the 3' half of an intron,  
6 nucleotides 5' of the splice acceptor site*

*splitting amino acid 799*

# Human preferred

- c.1637A>G  
*protein coding region*
- c.859+12T>C  
*in intron (5' half)*
- c.2396-6G>A  
*in intron (3' half)*
- c.-23C>G  
*5' of protein coding region (5' of ATG)*
- c.\*143A>T  
*3' of protein coding region (3' of stop)*
- c.-89-12T>G  
*intron in 5' UTR (5' of ATG)*
- c.\*649+79G>C  
*intron in 3' UTR (3' of stop)*



*relation to  
RNA & protein*



# Types of variation

- simple

*substitution*

*c.123A>G*

*deletion*

*c.123del*

*duplication*

*c.123dup*

*insertion*

*c.123\_124insC*

*other*

*conversion, inversion, translocation, transposition*

- complex

*delins*

*c.123delinsGTAT*

ISCN

- combination of variants

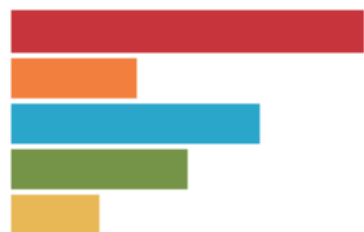
*two alleles*

*c.[123A>G];[456C>T]*

*>1 per allele*

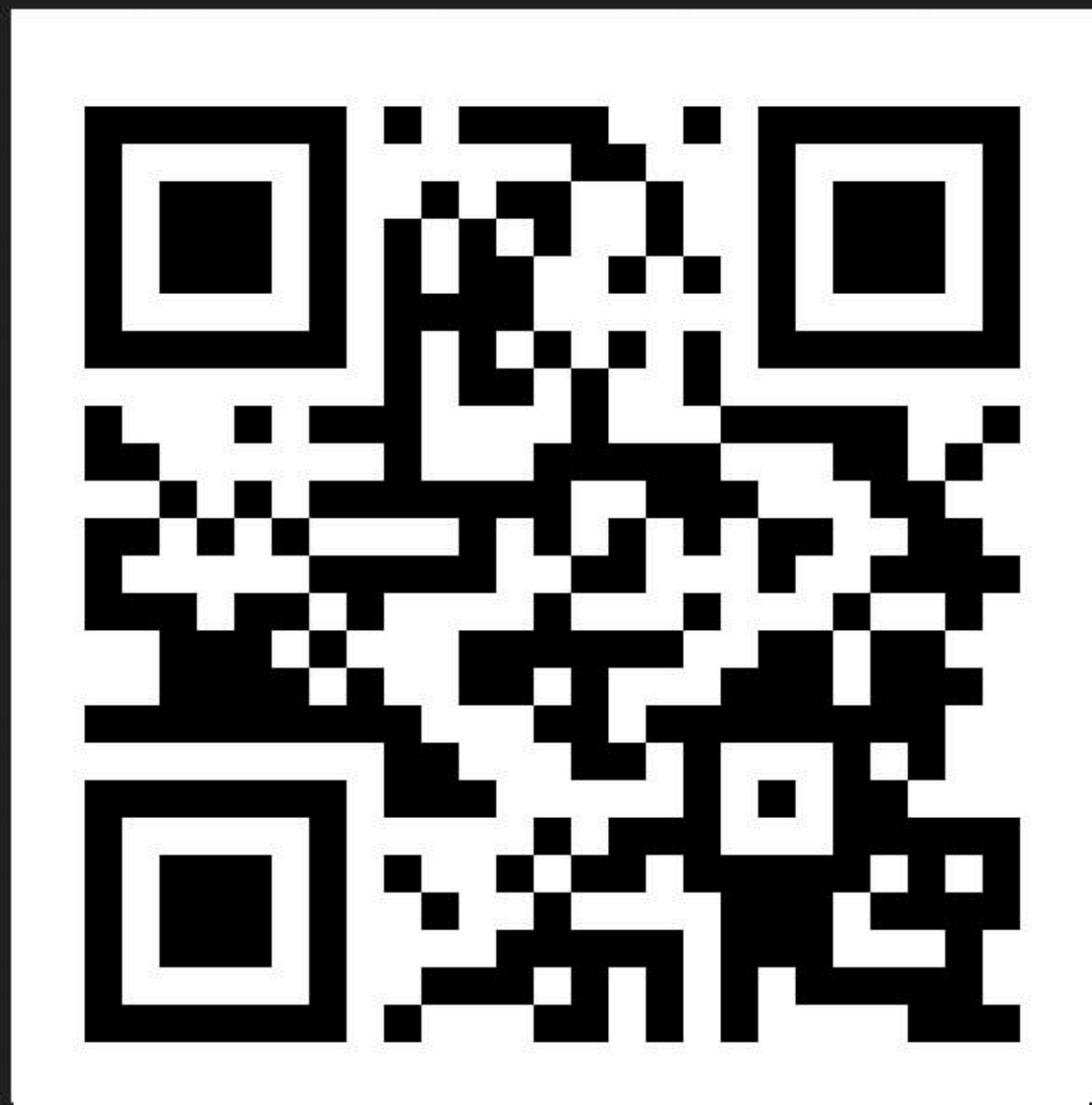
*c.[123A>G;456C>T]*

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*or go to <http://etc.ch/BbTP>*

# Substitution

- substitution designated by ">"  
*> not used on protein level*

- examples

<i>genomic</i>	<i>g.54786A&gt;T</i>
<i>cDNA</i>	<i>c.545A&gt;T</i> ( NM_012654.3 : c.546A>T )

<i>RNA</i>	<i>r.545a&gt;u</i>
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<i>protein</i>	<i>p.(Gln182Leu)</i>
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# Deletion

- **deletion**  
*designated by “del”*  
*range indicated by “\_”*

- **examples**

***c.546del***

*c.546delA* (redundant information, can be conflicting)

***c.586\_591del***

*c.586\_591delTGGTCA* (not *c.586\_591del6*)

***RNA***

***r.546del***

***protein***

***p.(Gln182del)***



# Deleted...

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Reference

ATAGCTTTCAGGA

Sample

ATAGCT TCAGGA

Describe as

g.6del

g.7del

g.8del

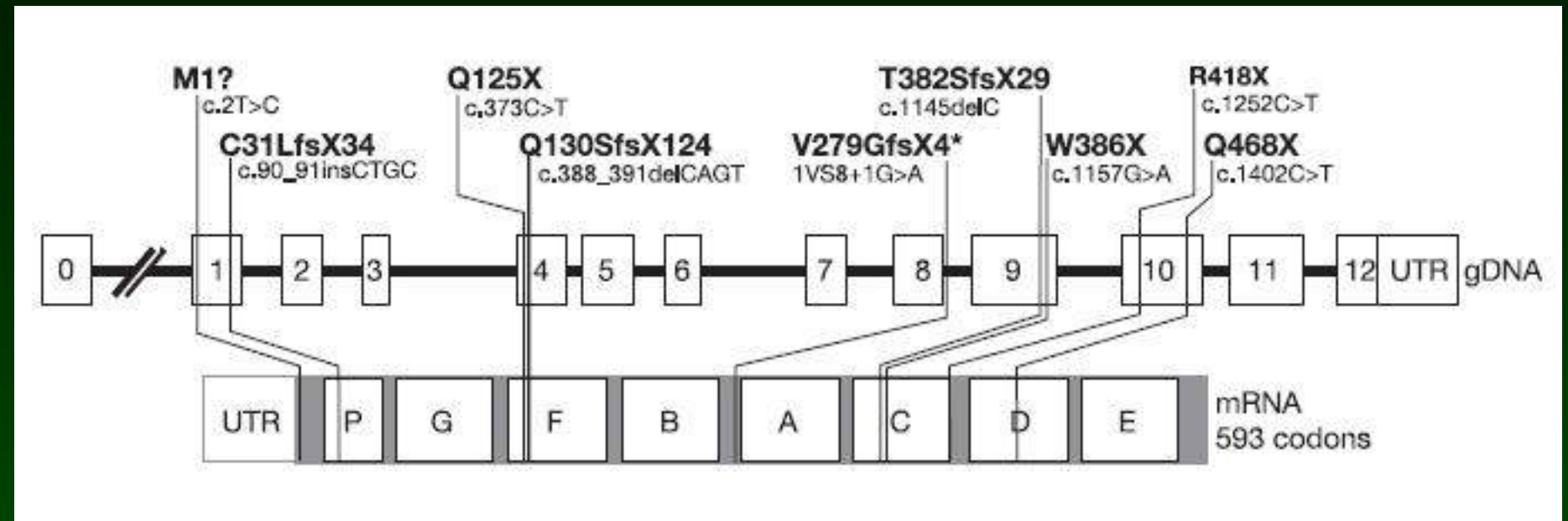
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*By definition this is described as g.8del*

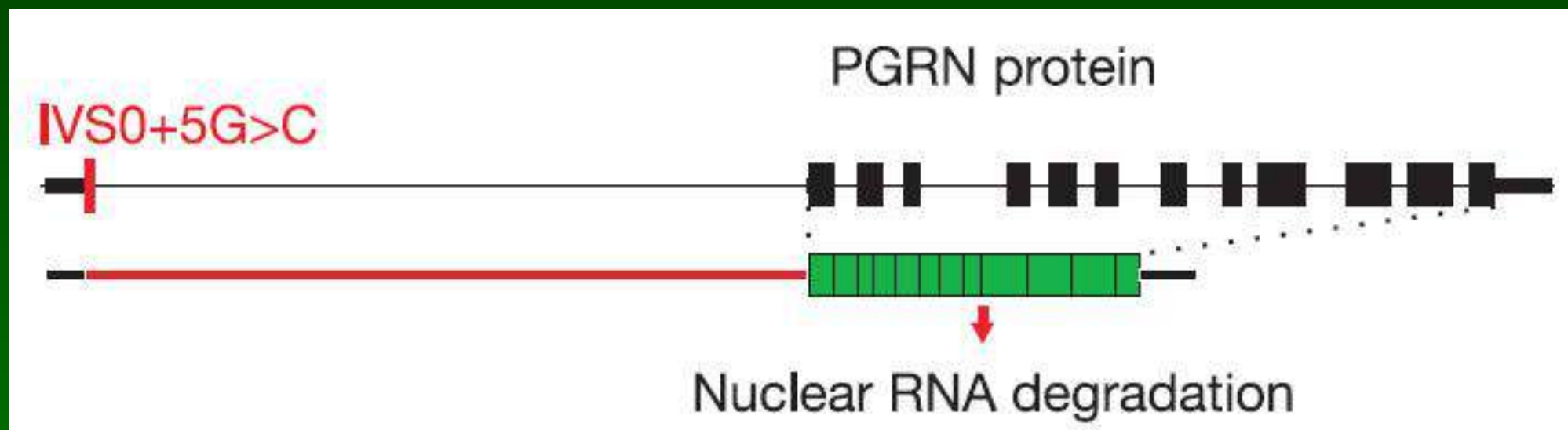
**HGVS 3' rule**

# Exon numbering

“Exon 0”



*Baker, Nature 442: 916*



*Cruts, Nature 442: 920*

# HGVS applied correctly?

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↓ . . . ggccagcgtggaca . . . acCccc . . .  
    . . . ggccagcgtggacaGCGTGGACAacGccc . . .

(both variants on same chromosome)

c.[2303\_2311dup;2314C>G] /  
c.2312\_2314delinsGCGTGGACAACG

or c.[2303\_2311dup(; )2314C>G]

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- 26 participating labs
- 21 different descriptions  
(DNA & protein combined)  
**5 shared + unique 21x**
- 6 correct HGVS,  
12 DNA variant "correct",  
8 not correct

c.2303\_2311dup  
c.2312\_2314delinsGCGTGGACAACG  
c.2312\_2314delACCinsGCGTGGACAACG  
c.2311\_2312insTGTCACGC  
c.2300\_2301insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2300\_2301insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2302\_2310dup  
c.2303\_2311dup  
c.2312\_2320dupGCGTGGACA  
c.2311ins/dupGCGTGGACA  
c.2303\_2311dup  
c.2300\_2301insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2300\_2301insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2303\_2311dup  
c.2303\_2311dupGCGTGGACA  
c.2300\_2301insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2301\_2302insCAGCGTGGA  
c.2310\_2311dupAGCGTGGAC  
c.2301\_2302ins9  
c.2311\_2312insGCGTGGACA  
c.2311\_2312ins9 and c.2314C>G



# Support tools

LUMC Mutalyzer DNA tools ▾ Batch Jobs ▾ Web Services External links ▾ Help ▾ About

[http:// www.mutalyzer.nl](http://www.mutalyzer.nl)

## Welcome to the Mutalyzer website

The aim of this program suite is to support checks of sequence variant nomenclature according to the [guidelines](#) of the [Human Genome Variation Society](#).

### Name Checker

The Name Checker takes the complete sequence variant description as input and checks whether it is correct.

Examples: `AB026906.1:c.274G>T`, `NG_012337.1(SDHD_v001):c.274G>T`

Variant description using HGVS format

VariantValidator.org

## Welcome to VariantValidator.org

### A range of tools to meet your needs

Validation of single variant descriptions

- [VariantValidator](#)
- Batch tools with options to select the gene(s) and transcript(s) you are interested in
- VCF files - [VCF to HGVS](#)
- Batch jobs - [Batch Validator](#)

### Syntax Checker

Takes the complete sequence variant description as input and checks whether the syntax is correct.

### Position Converter

Converts chromosomal positions to transcript orientated positions and vice versa.

### SNP Converter

Allows you to convert a dbSNP rsId to HGVS notation.

### Description Extractor

Allows you to generate the HGVS variant description from a reference sequence and an observed sequence.

### Reference File Loader

Allows you to load and use your own reference sequence.

### Batch Checkers

Interfaces accepting a list of inputs that can be used for large quantities of checks.

### Web Services

Provides instructions for the web services.

# Support tools



## ClinGen Allele Registry

[Allele Registry](#) | [Pathogenicity Calculator](#) | [Login](#) | [Forgot Password?](#)

### Search Variants in ClinGen Allele Registry

Type of search

Select One

Query

For example: Select type of search to

#### Do not have transcript/HGVS expression?

For a substitution with gene symbol, position, reference and alternate alleles known, please use this service

Gene and variation based query

Alternatively, please use this service to identify allele interactively if HGVS expression or transcript is not a

Interactively generate variation

NM\_004006.2

-244	TCCTGGCATC	AGTTACTGTG	TTGACTCACT	CAGTGTGGG	ATCACTCACT	TTCCCCCTAC
-184	AGGACTCAGA	TCTGGGAGGC	AATTACCTTC	GGAGAAAAAC	GAATAGGAAA	AACTGAAGTG
-124	TTACTTTTTT	TAAAGCTGCT	GAAGTTTGTT	GGTTTCTCAT	TGTTTTTAAG	CCTACTGGAG
-64	CAATAAAGTT	TGAAGAAGTT	TTACCAGGTT	TTTTTTATCG	CTGCCTTGAT	ATACACTTTT
-4	CAAAATGCTT	TGGTGGGAAG	AAGTAGAGGA	CTGTTATGAA	AGAGAAGATG	TTCAAAAGAA
57	AACATTCACA	AAATGGGTAA	ATGCACAATT	TTCTAAGTTT	GGGAAGCAGC	ATATTGAGAA
117	CCTCTTCAGT	GACCTACAGG	ATGGGAGGCG	CCTCCTAGAC	CTCCTCGAAG	GCCTGACAGG
177	GCAAAAAGTG	CCAAAAGAAA	AAGGATCCAC	AAGAGTTCAT	GCCCTGAACA	ATGTCAACAA
237	GGCACTGCGG	GTTTTGCAGA	ACAATAATGT	TGATTTAGTG	AATATTGGAA	GTACTGACAT
297	CGTAGATGGA	AATCATAAAC	TGACTCTTGG	TTTGATTTGG	AATATAATCC	TCCACTGGCA
357	GGTCAAAAAT	GTAATGAAAA	ATATCATGGC	TGGATTGCAA	CAAACCAACA	GTGAAAAGAT
417	TCTCCTGAGC	TGGGTCCGAC	AATCAACTCG	TAATTATCCA	CAGGTTAATG	TAATCAACTT
477	CACCACCAGC	TGGTCTGATG	GCCTGGCTTT	GAATGCTCTC	ATCCATAGTC	ATAGGCCAGA
537	CCTATTTGAC	TGGAATAGTG	TGGTTTGCCA	GCAGTCAGCC	ACACAACGAC	TGGAACATGC
597	ATTCAACATC	GCCAGATATC	AATTAGGCAT	AGAGAACTA	CTCGATCCTG	AAGATGTTGA
657	TACCACCTAT	CCAGATAAGA	AGTCCATCTT	AATGTACATC	ACATCACTCT	TCCAAGTTTT
717	GCCTCAACAA	GTGAGCATTG	AAGCCATCCA	GGAAGTGGAA	ATGTTGCCAA	GGCCACCTAA
777	AGTGACTAAA	GAAGAACATT	TTCAGTTACA	TCATCAAATG	CACTATTCTC	AACAGATCAC
837	GGTCAGTCTA	GCACAGGGAT	ATGAGAGAAC	TTCTTCCCCT	AAGCCTCGAT	TCAAGAGCTA
897	TGCCTACACA	CAGGCTGCCT	ATGTCACCAC	CTCTGACCCT	ACACGGAGCC	CATTTCTTTC
957	ACAGCATTTG	GAAGCTCCTG	AAGACAAGTC	ATTTGGCAGT	TCATTGATGG	AGAGTGAAGT
1017	AAACCTGGAC	CGTTATCAAA	CAGCTTTAGA	AGAAGTATTA	TCGTGGCTTC	TTTCTGCTGA



# Applied correctly?

## Lab

```
c.2303_2311dup
c.2312_2314delinsGCGTGGACAACG
c.2312_2314delACCinsGCGTGGACAACG
c.2311_2312insTGTCACGC
c.2300_2301insCAGCGTGGA
c.2300_2301insCAGCGTGGA
c.2302_2310dup
c.2303_2311dup
c.2312_2320dupGCGTGGACA
c.2311ins/dupGCGTGGACA
c.2303_2311dup
c.2300_2301insCAGCGTGGA
c.2300_2301insCAGCGTGGA
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dupGCGTGGACA
c.2300_2301insCAGCGTGGA
c.2301_2302insCAGCGTGGA
c.2310_2311dupAGCGTGGAAC
c.2301_2302ins9
c.2311_2312insGCGTGGACA
c.2311_2312ins9 and c.2314C>G
```

## Mutalyzer

```
c.[2303_2311dup;c.2314C>G]
c.2312_2314delinsGCGTGGACAACG
c.2312_2314delinsGCGTGGACAACG
c.2311_2312insTGTCACGC
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup c.2314C>G
c.2312_2320dup
reports error
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup c.2314C>G
c.2303_2311dup
c.2303_2311dup c.2314C>G
c.2303_2311dup
c.2301_2302insCAGCGTGGA
c.2310_2311dup
Reports error c.2314C>G
c.[2303_2311dup;c.2316C>G]
Reports error
Reports error c.2314C>G
```

*not corrected*

*error Mutalyzer*

*not corrected*  
*error Mutalyzer*

*not corrected*

# Q & A

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*"variant nomenclature"*



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***student***



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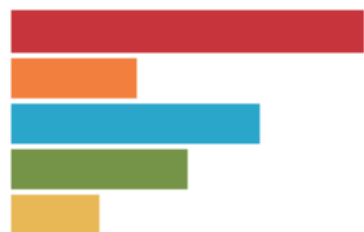


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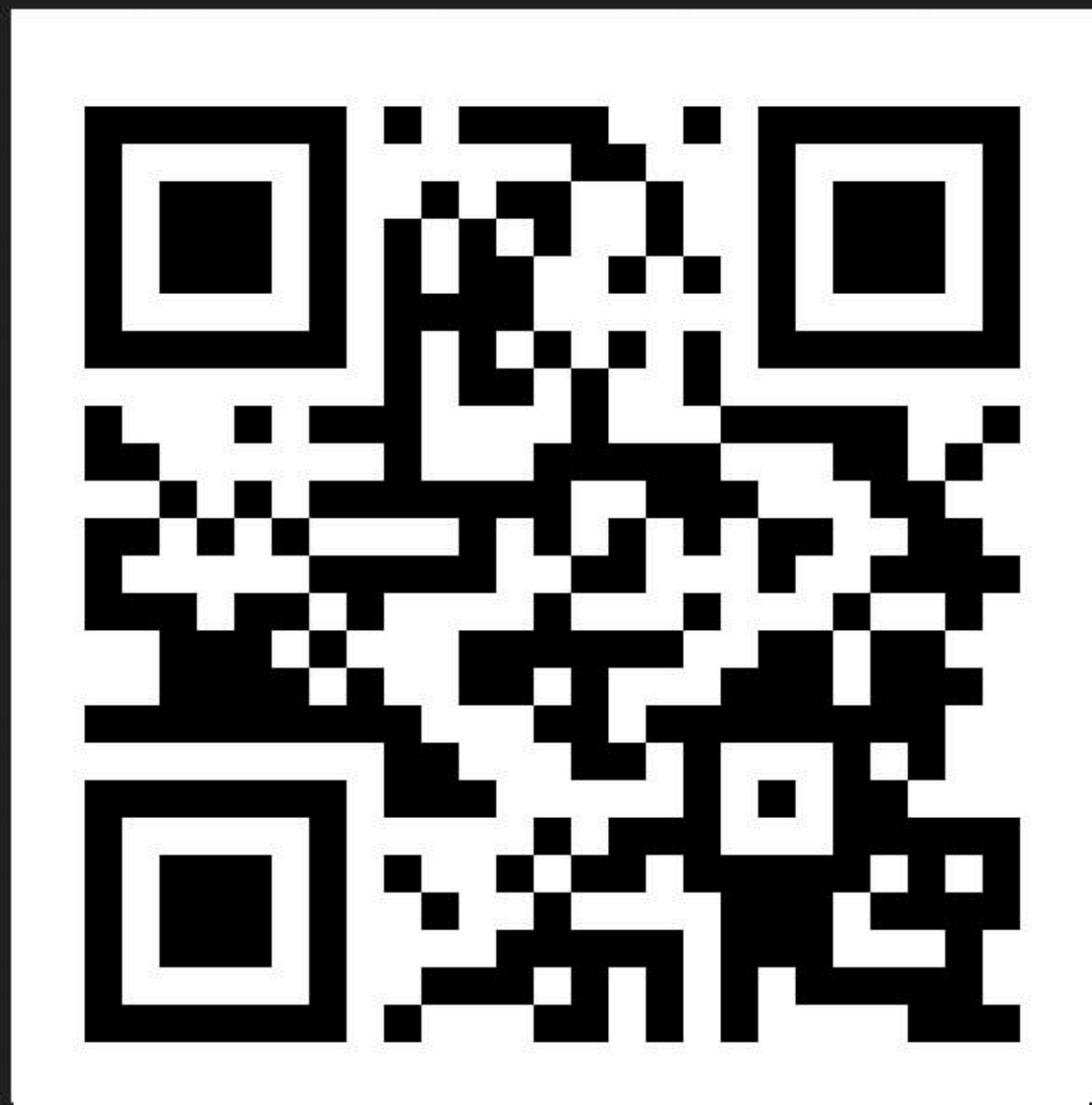
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