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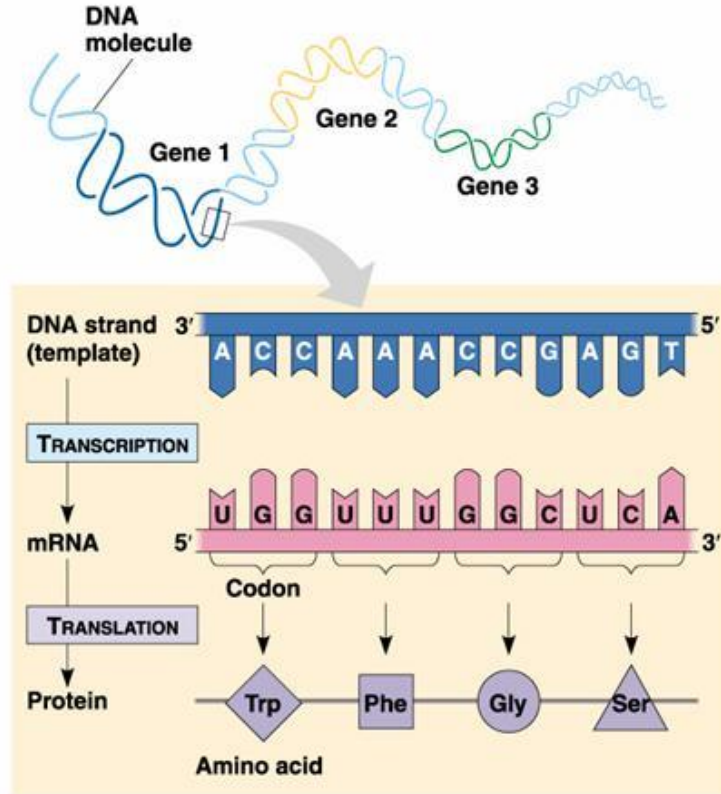
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Cell and Tissue Engineering

Measuring Protein Dynamics

Protein dynamics → cellular dynamics

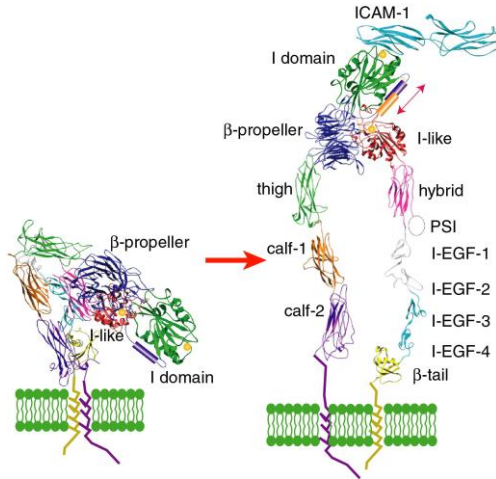
- What comes next?
- How do protein work?
- How can we study protein dynamics?



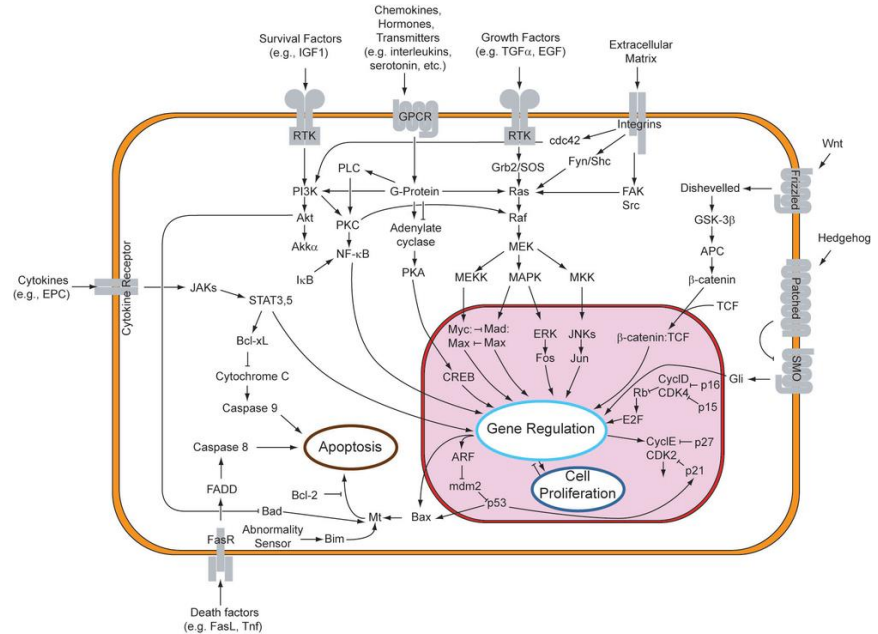
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Proteins function dynamically

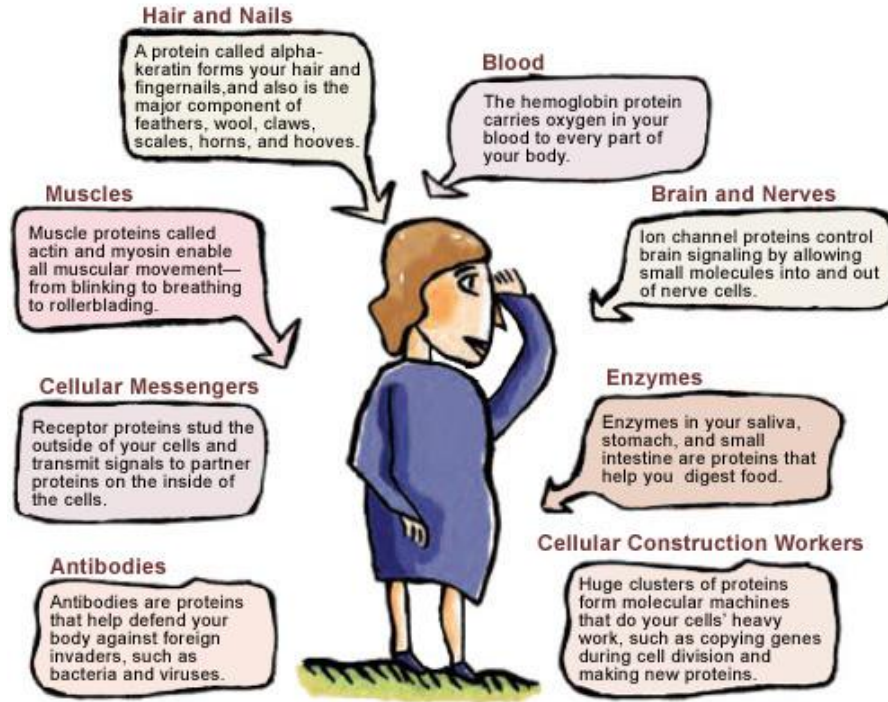
Conformational Changes



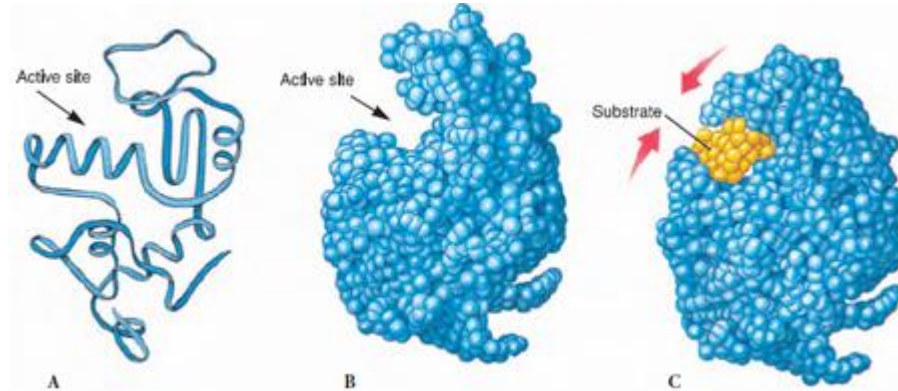
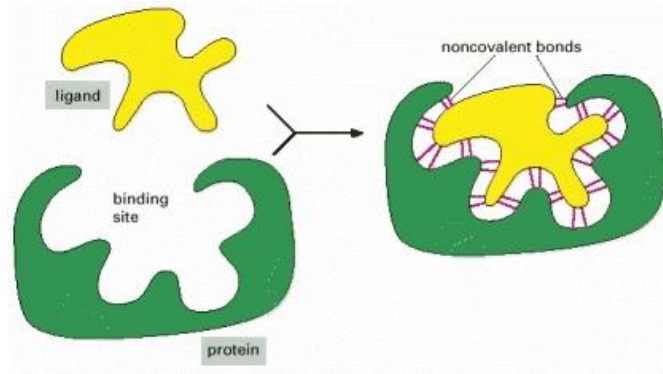
Movement and Interaction



Proteins function dynamically (cont.)

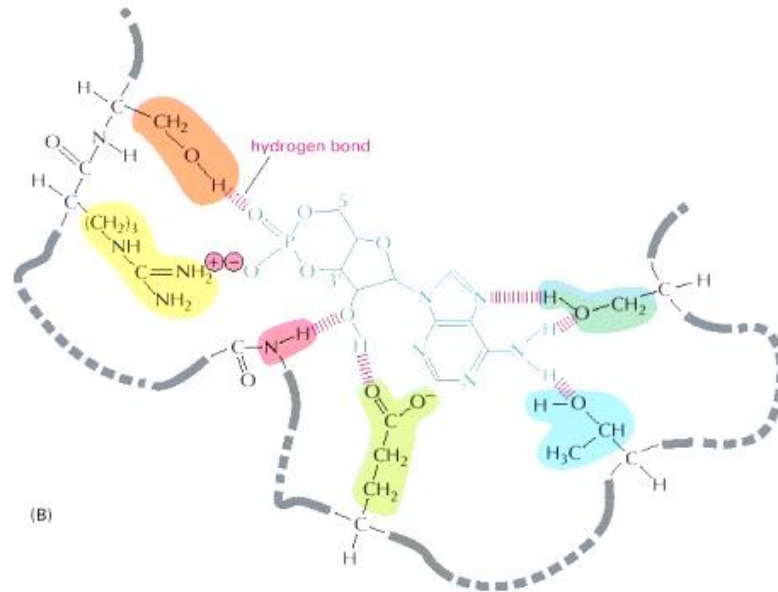
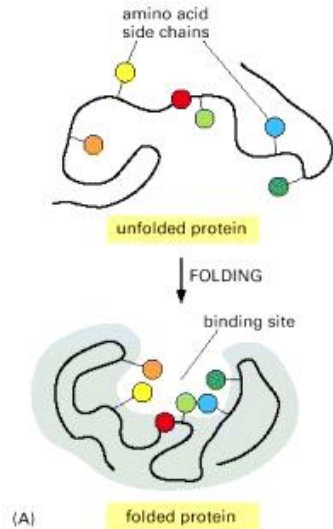


The basics of protein function



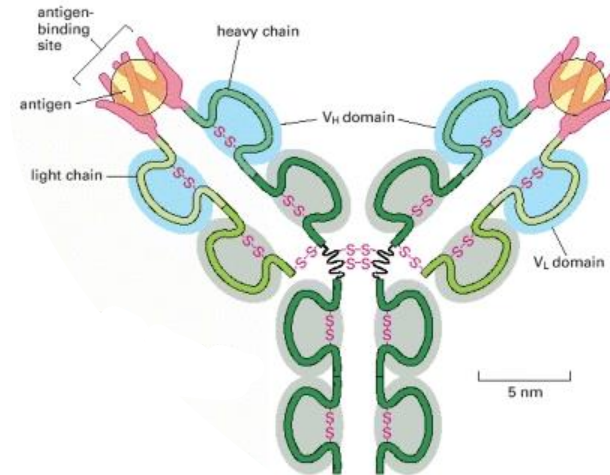
The basics of protein function (cont.)

- Binding pockets in the tertiary structure of proteins



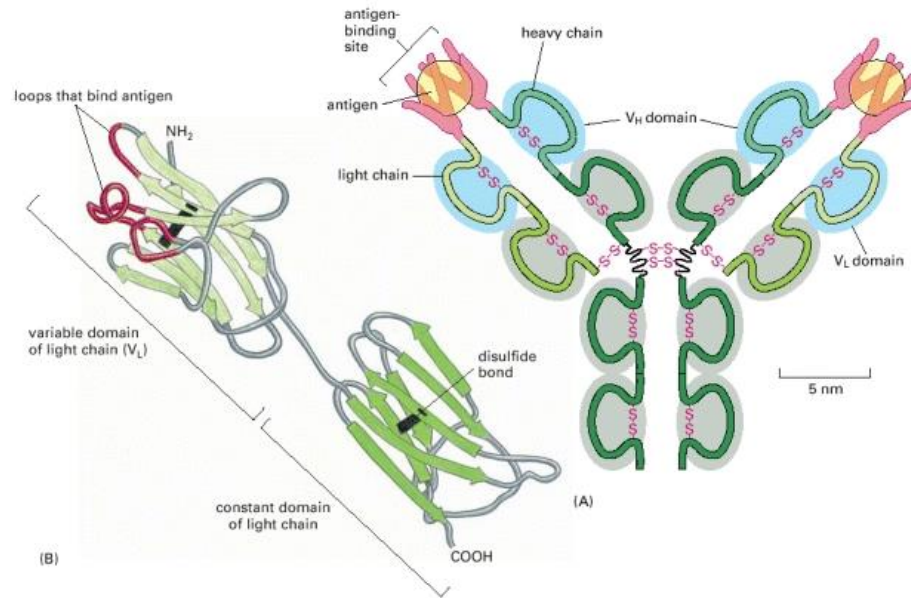
The basics of protein function (cont.)

- Antibody structure allows for many noncovalent bonds to the antigen



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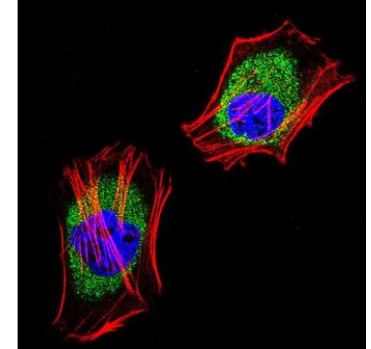
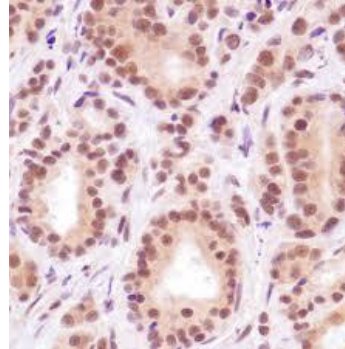
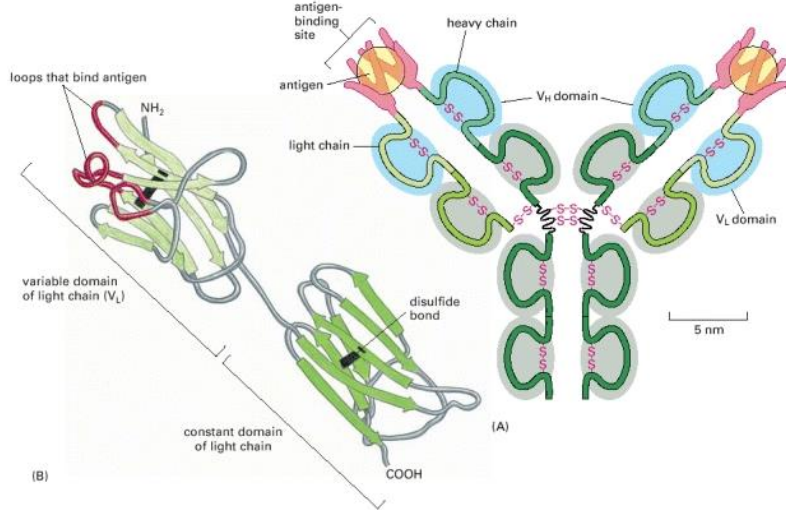


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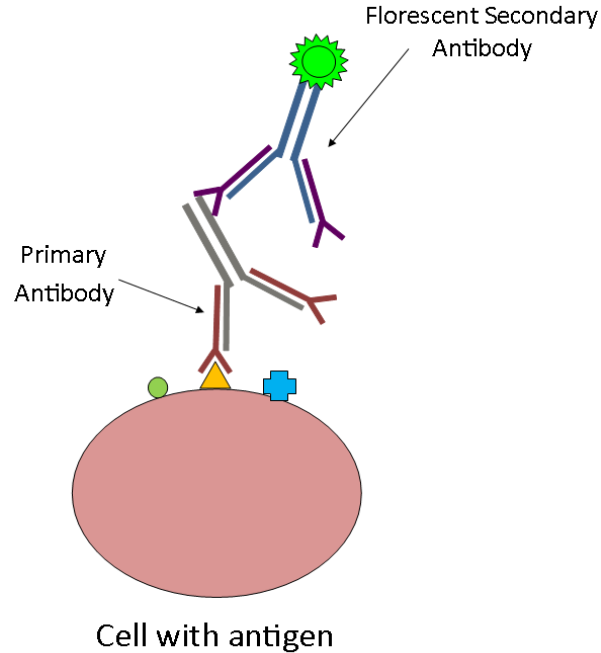
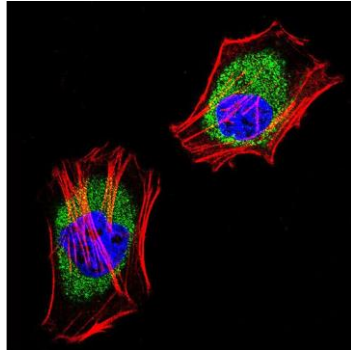
Antibody structure allows for many noncovalent bonds to the antigen

Immunohistochemistry

Immunofluorescence



Immunofluorescence imaging



Immunofluorescence imaging (cont.)

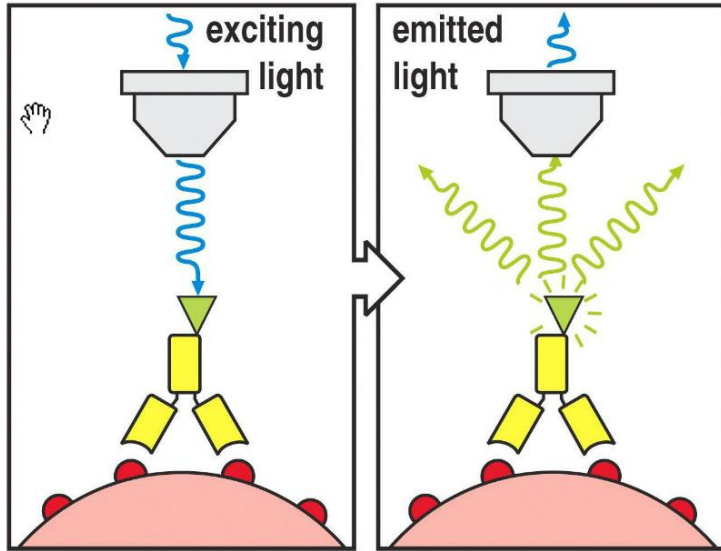
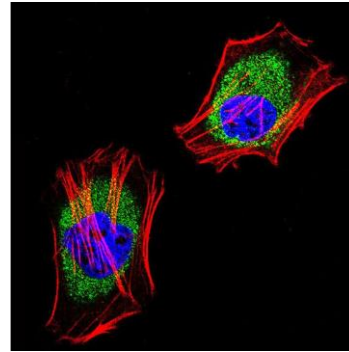
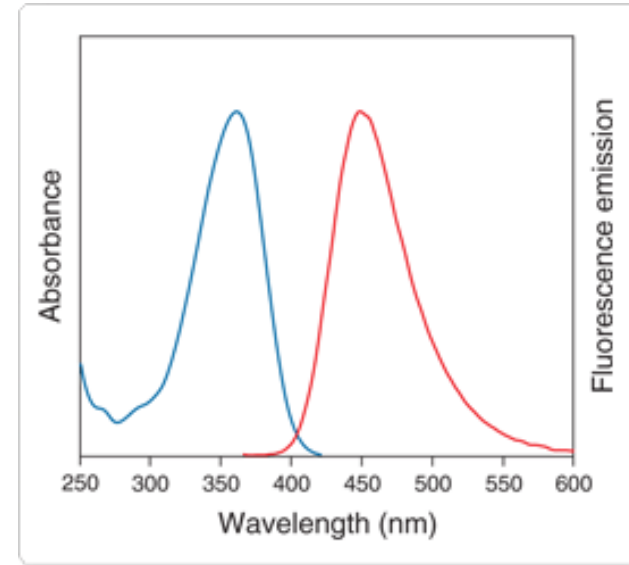


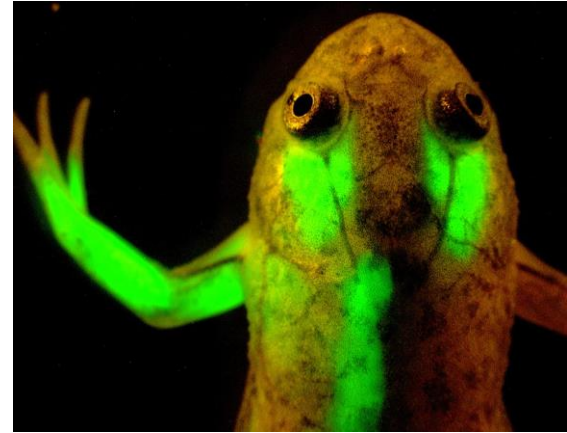
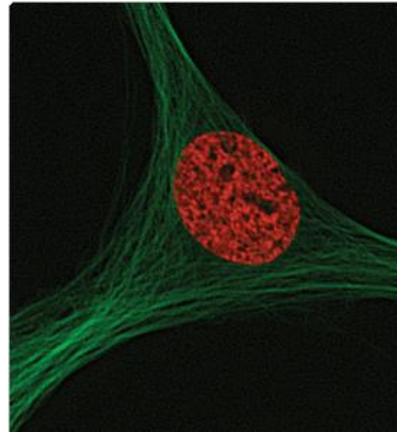
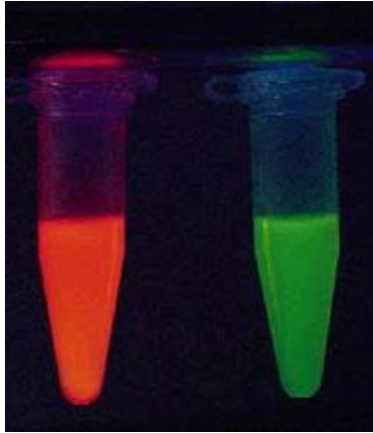
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Excitation and
Emission



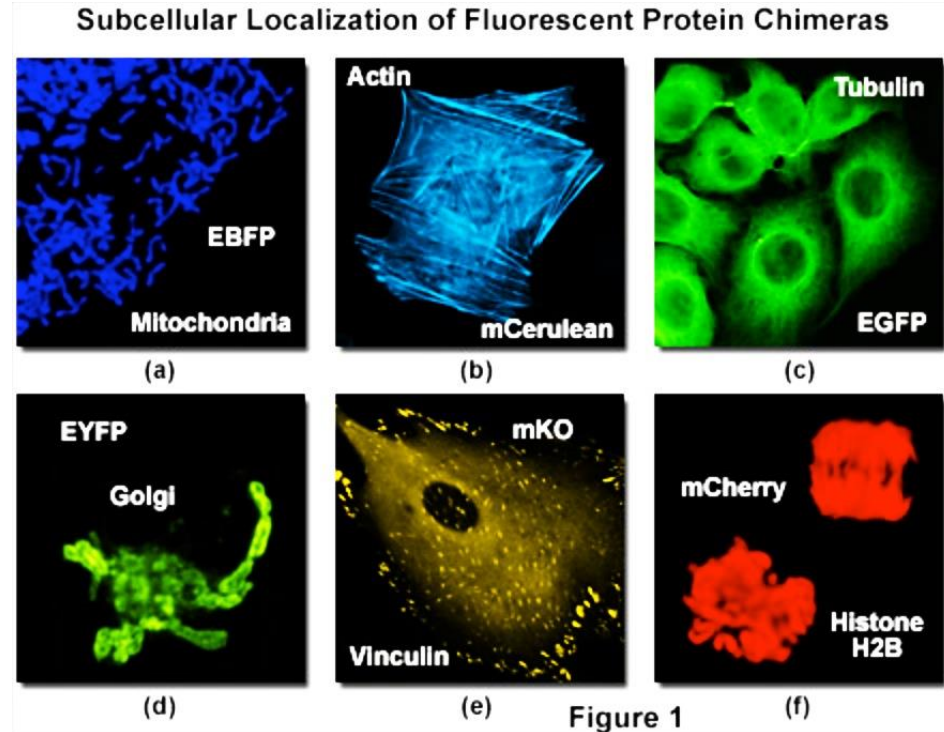
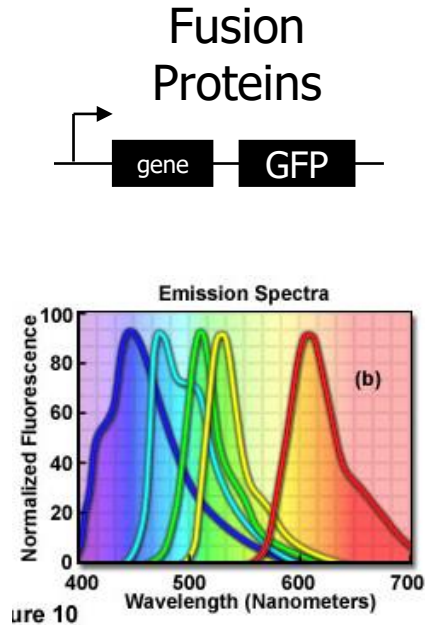
Fluorescent markers used to study dynamic protein function



GFP – green fluorescent protein
RFP or DsRed – red fluorescent protein
Quantum dots



Fluorescent markers used to study dynamic protein function (cont.)



Fluorescent markers used to study dynamic protein function (cont.)

Colocalization of Actin and Vinculin in Normal Tahr Ovary Cells

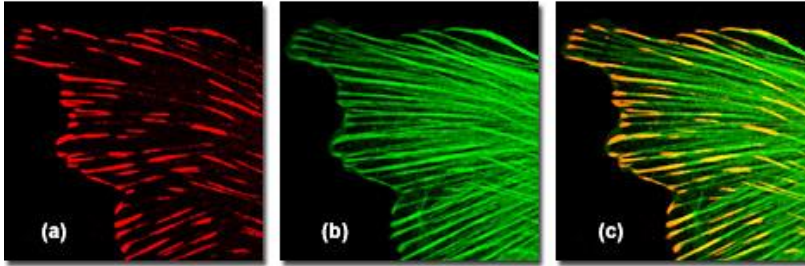
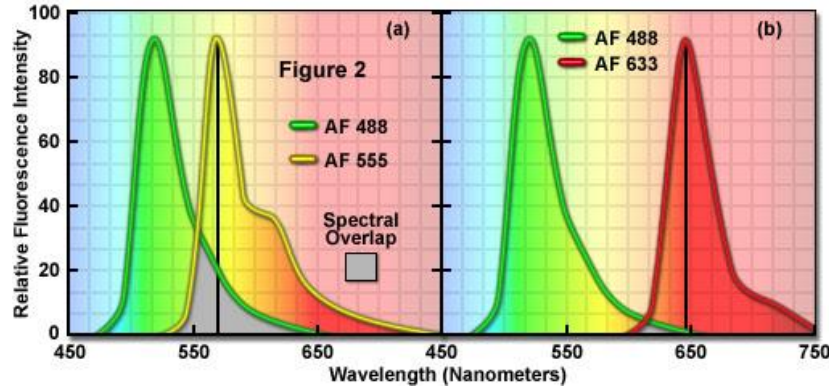


Figure 1

Spectral Overlap in Paired Alexa Fluor Probes



Fluorescent markers used to study dynamic protein function (cont.)

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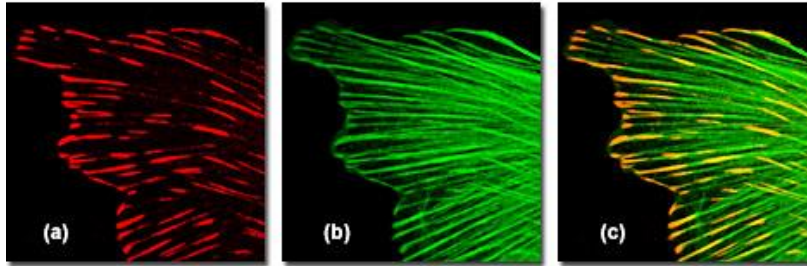
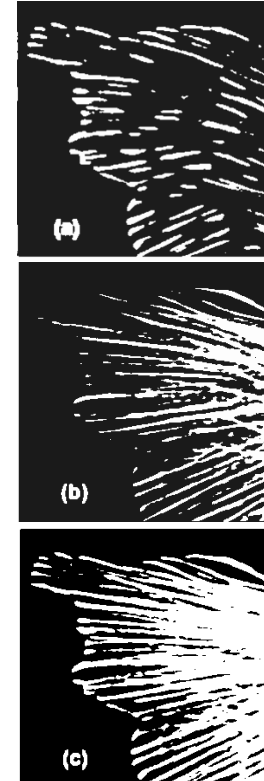
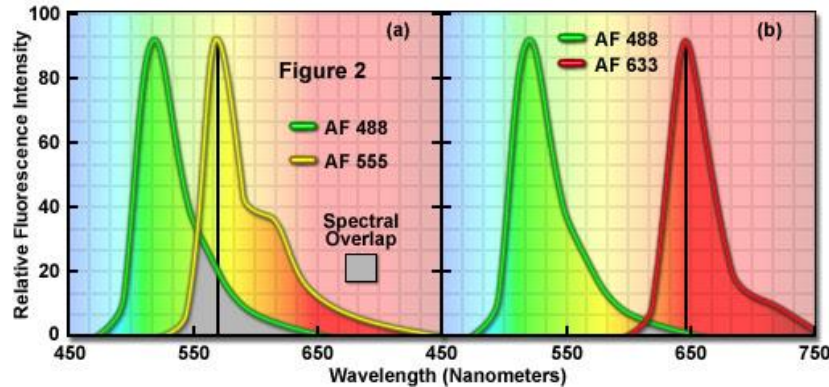
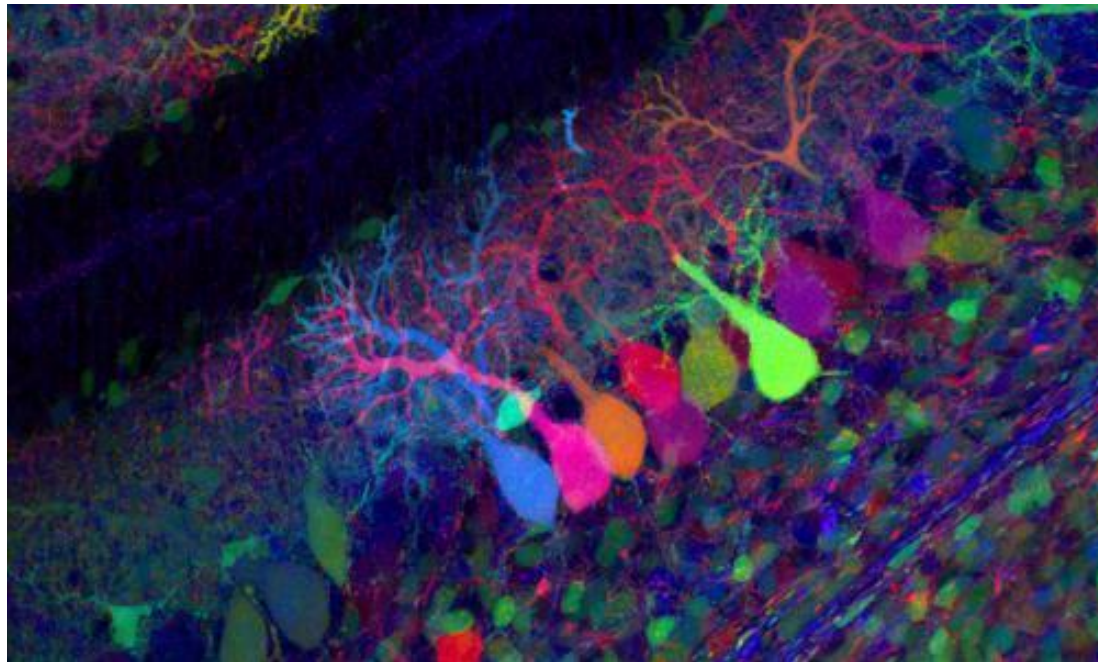
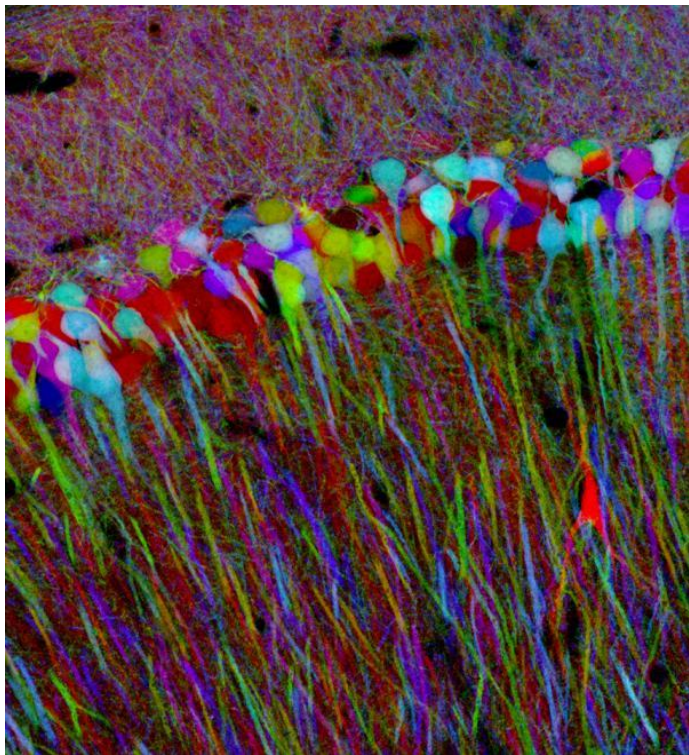


Figure 1

Spectral Overlap in Paired Alexa Fluor Probes



“Brainbow”



FRAP, FRET and FCS

Fluorescent imaging methods assist the study of protein dynamics

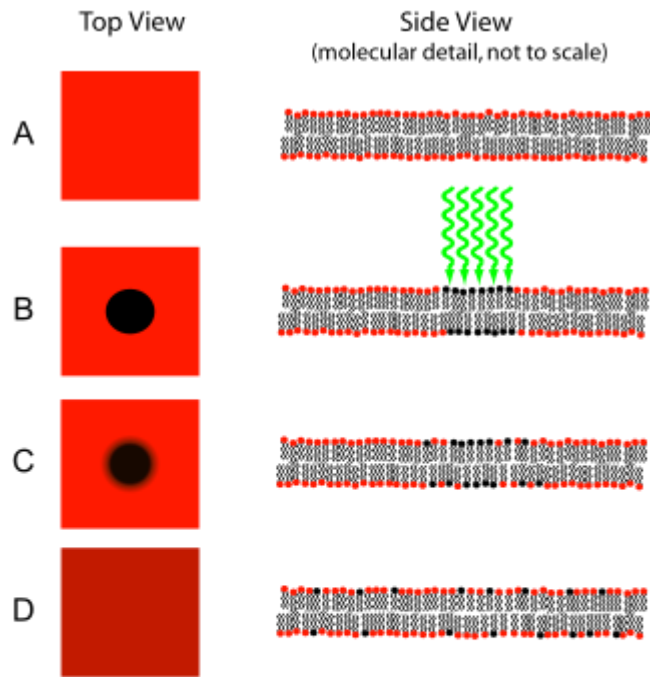
FRAP: fluorescence recovery after photobleaching

FRET: fluorescence (or Förster) resonance energy transfer

FCS: fluorescence correlation spectroscopy

	FRAP	FRET	FCS
Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes	No	✓ Yes
Multicomponent Diffusion	No	No	✓ Yes
Mobile Fraction	✓ Yes	No	No
Concentration	No	No	✓ Yes
Complexing	No	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Complex Stoichiometry	No	No	✓ Yes
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes

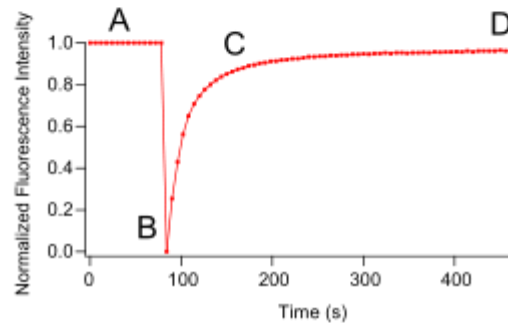
*Show movement
(passive or active)
and protein
complexing*



FRAP 1

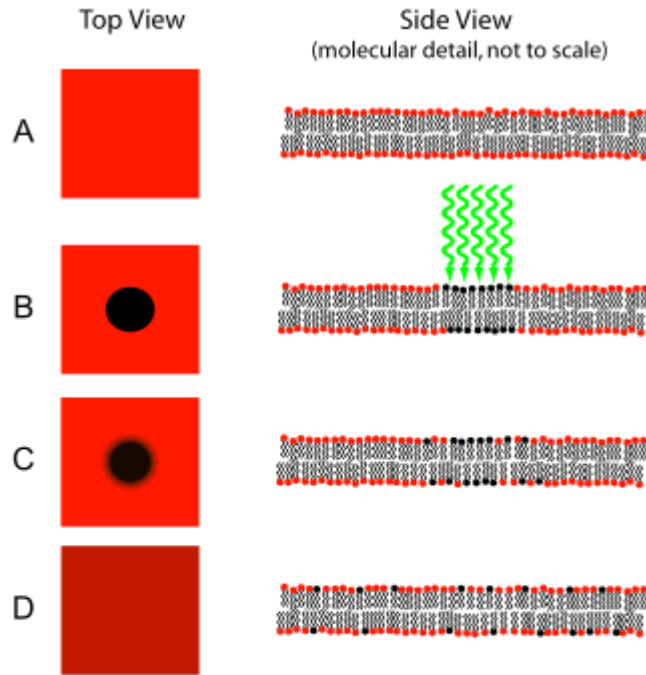
Assesses kinetic properties of proteins

	FRAP
Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	✓ Yes
Concentration	No
Complexing	No
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes



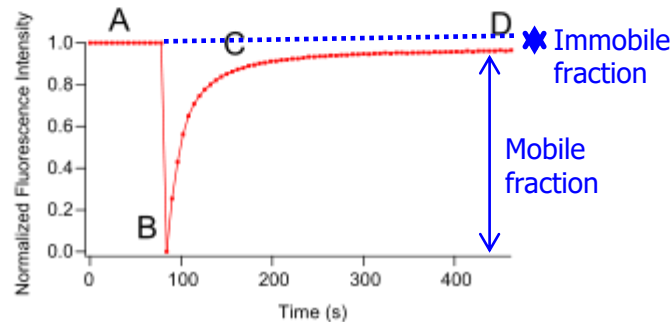
GFP

FRAP 2

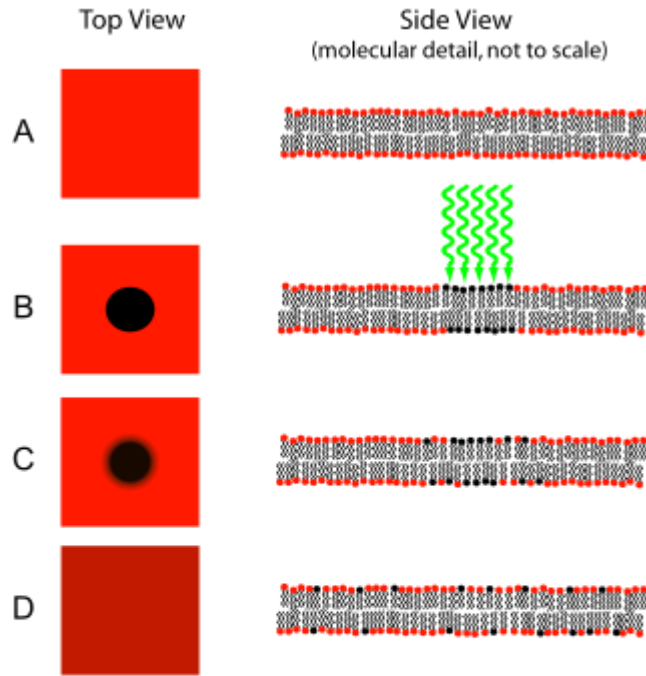


M_f mobile fraction, % of recovery
 D diffusion constant

	FRAP
Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	✓ Yes
Concentration	No
Complexing	No
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes



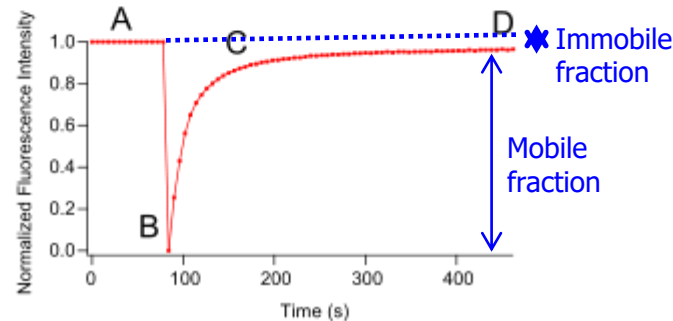
FRAP 3



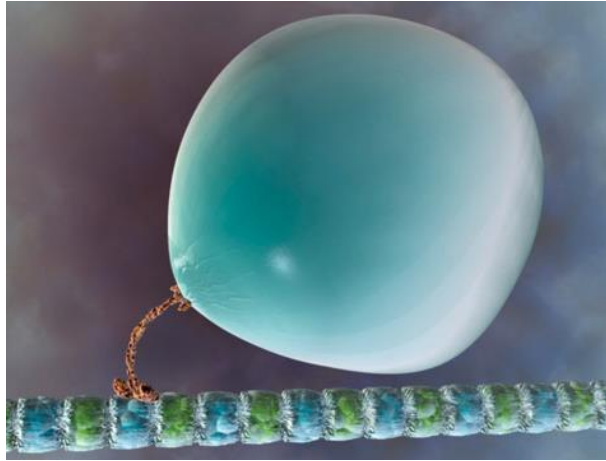
	FRAP
Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	✓ Yes
Concentration	No
Complexing	No
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

M_f mobile fraction, % of recovery
 D diffusion constant

$$D = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta R} = \frac{w^2}{2\eta\tau_D}$$



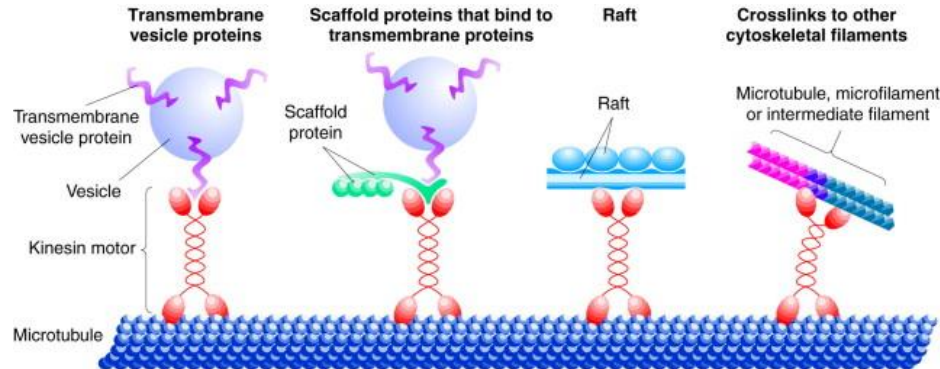
T absolute temperature
 η viscosity of solution
 k Boltzman's constant
 R hydrodynamic radius of the molecule
 w radius of the bleached area
 τ_D diffusion time



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Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	✓ Yes
Concentration	No
Complexing	No
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

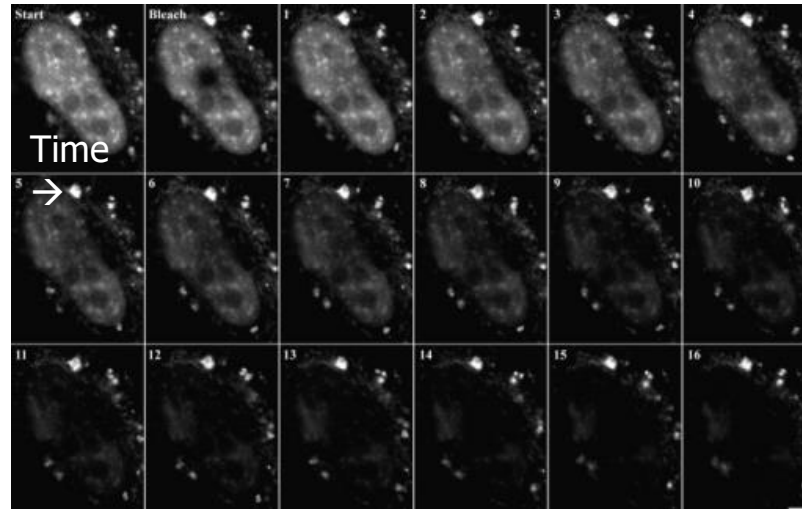
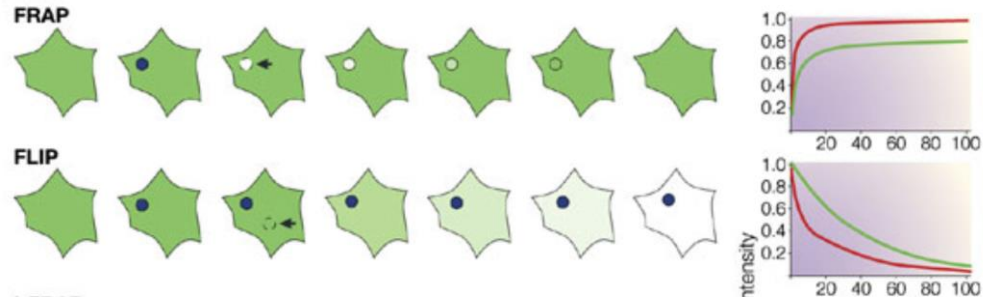
FRAP 4

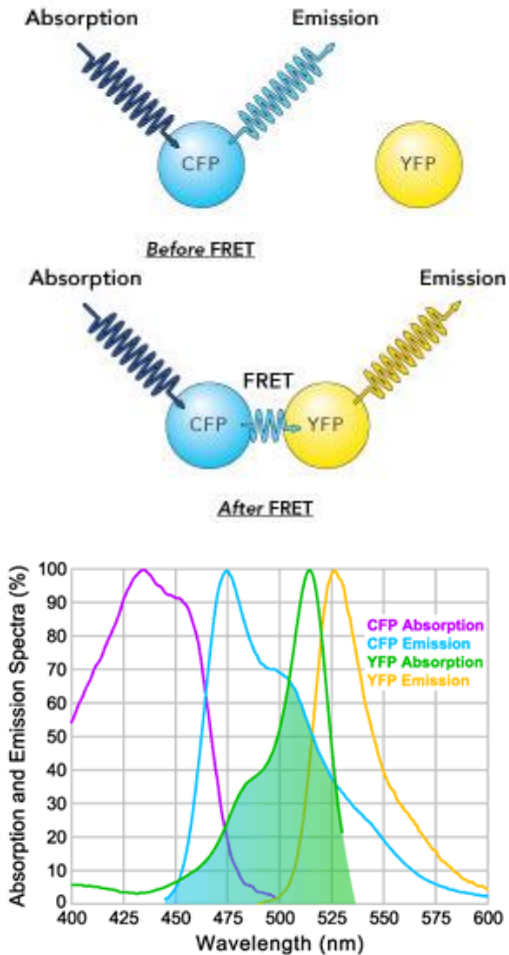
Active transport via membrane-bound vesicles that track along cytoskeletal fibers



TRENDS in Cell Biology

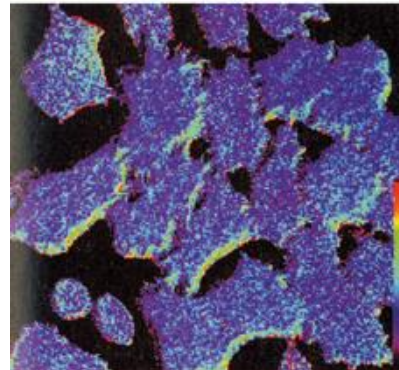
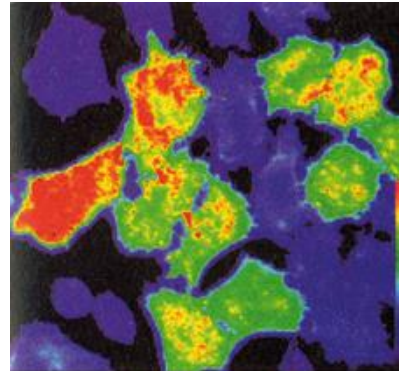
FLIP: Fluorescence Loss In Photobleaching



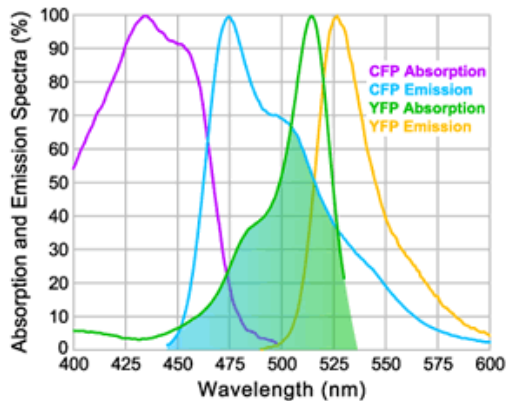
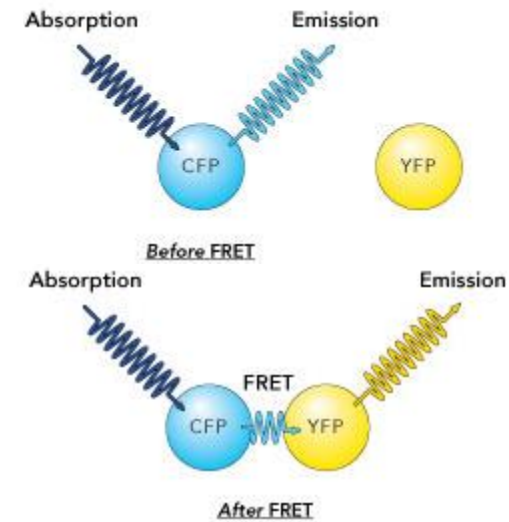


FRET 1

Measures protein-protein interactions



	FRET
Diffusion Rates	No
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	No
Concentration	No
Complexing	✓ Yes
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes



FRET 2

Measures protein-protein interactions

	FRET
Diffusion Rates	No
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
Mobile Fraction	No
Concentration	No
Complexing	✓ Yes
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

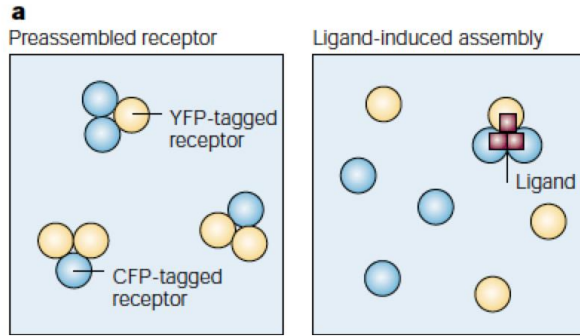
$$k_F \sim \left(\frac{r_0}{r} \right)^6 \cdot k_D$$

k_F rate of energy transfer from donor to acceptor

k_D radiative decay rate of donor fluorophore

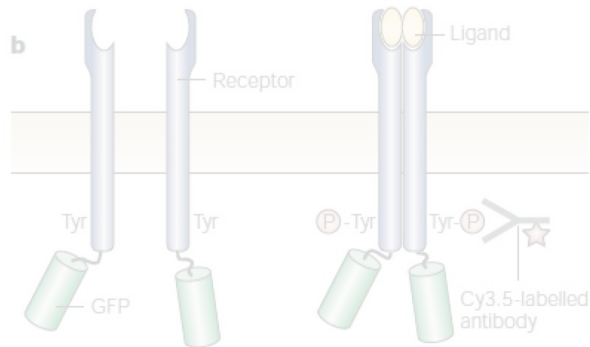
r distance between the two molecules

r_0 Förster distance (50% efficiency point of energy transfer)

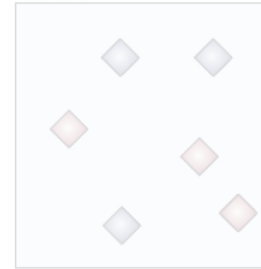


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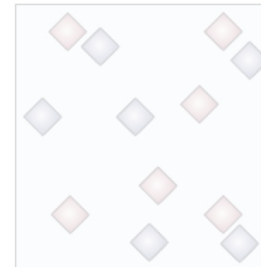
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Mobile Fraction	No
Concentration	No
Complexing	✓ Yes
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Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

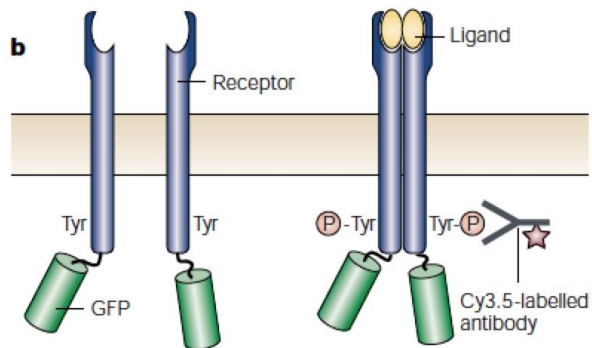
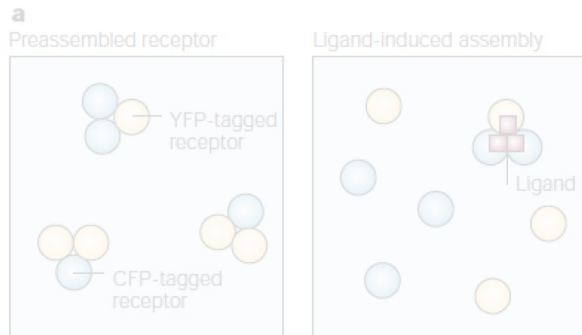


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Random



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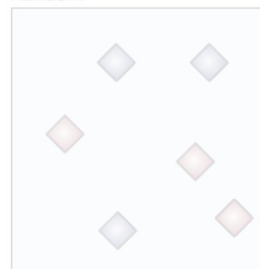




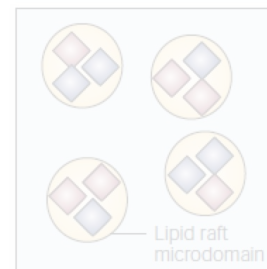
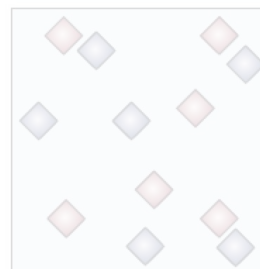
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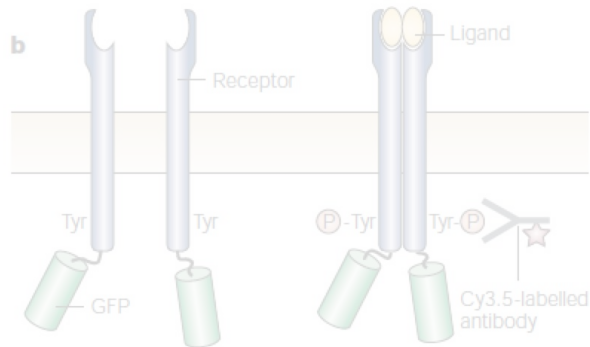
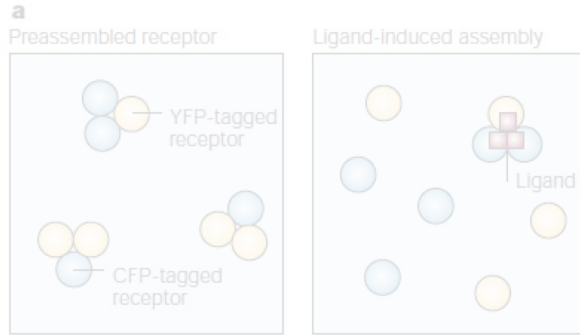
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Diffusion Rates	No
Multicomponent Diffusion	No
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Concentration	No
Complexing	✓ Yes
Complex Stoichiometry	No
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

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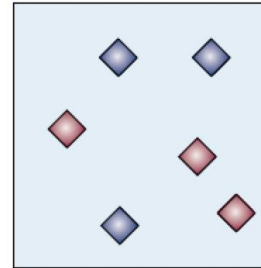




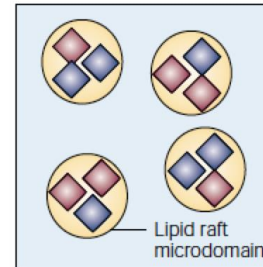
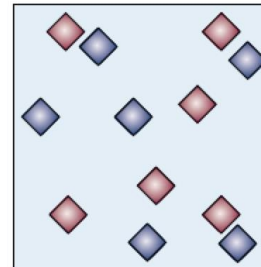
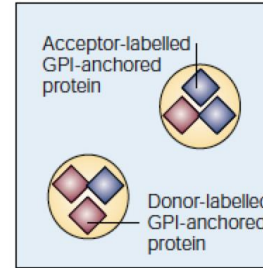
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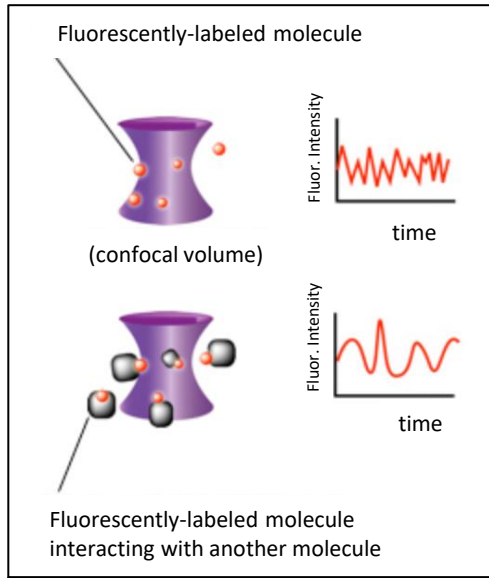
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Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

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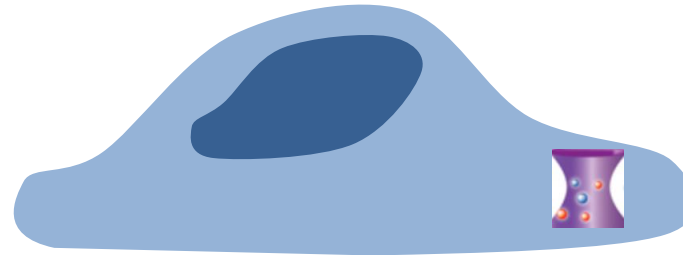


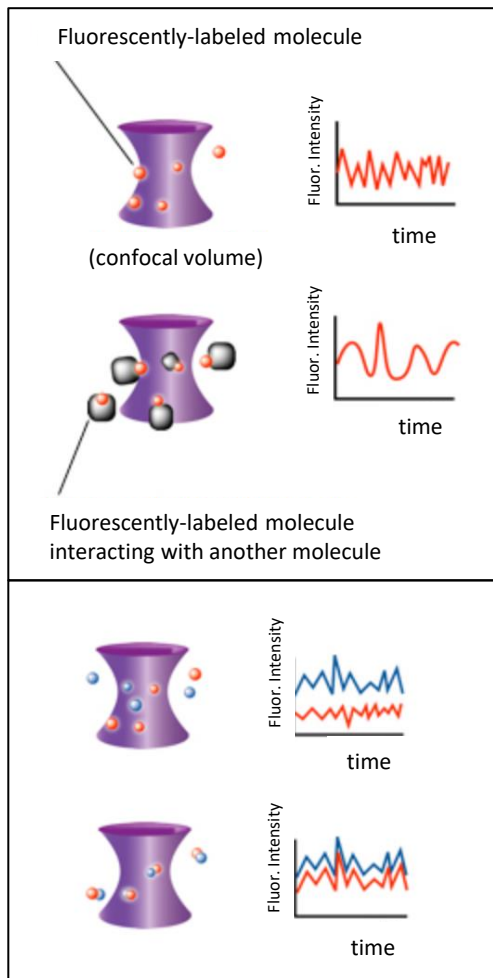


FCS and FCCS 1

Fluorescence correlation spectroscopy
Fluorescence cross-correlation
spectroscopy
(dual-color FCS)

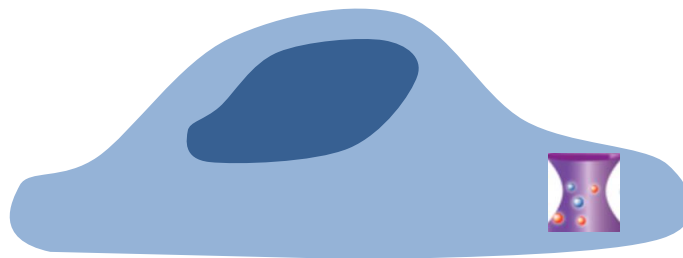
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Concentration	✓ Yes
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Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes



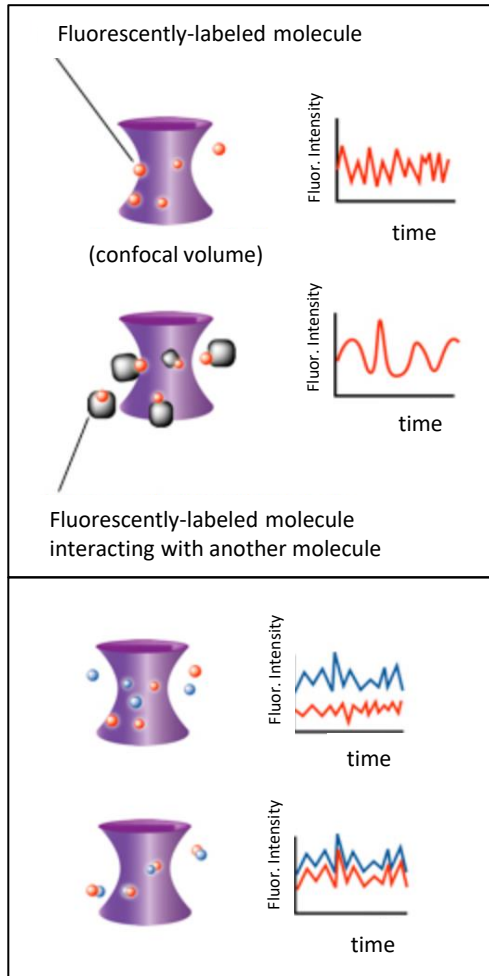


FCS and FCCS 2

Fluorescence correlation spectroscopy
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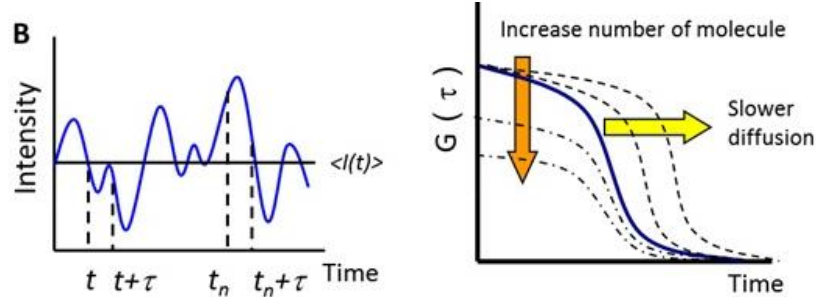


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Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes
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Mobile Fraction	No
Concentration	✓ Yes
Complexing	✓ Yes
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Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes



FCS and FCCS 3

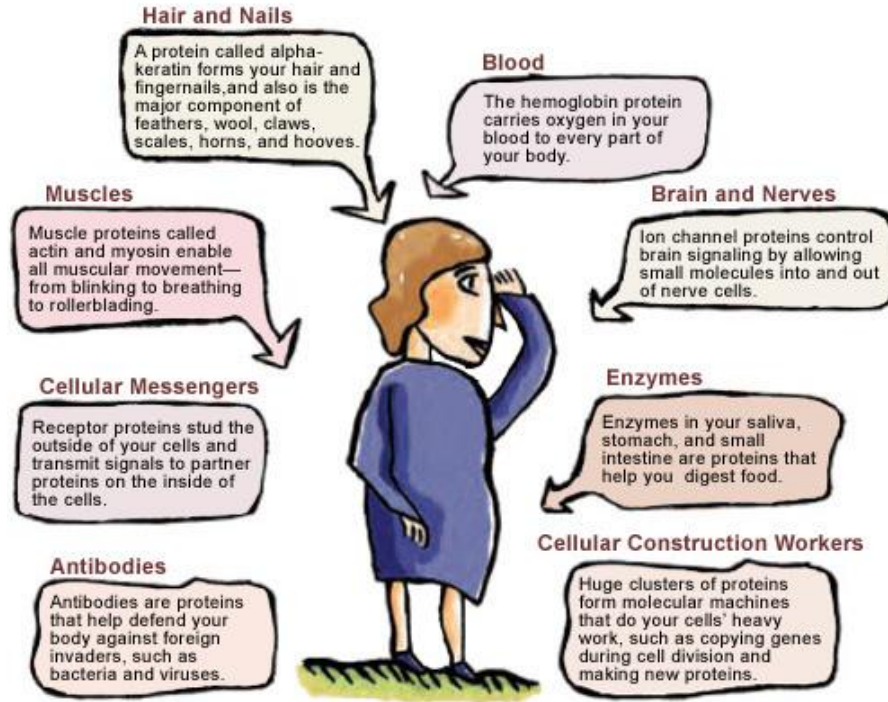
Fluorescence correlation spectroscopy
Fluorescence cross-correlation
spectroscopy
(dual-color FCS)



$G(\tau)$ autocorrelation
function

	FCS
Diffusion Rates	✓ Yes
Multicomponent Diffusion	✓ Yes
Mobile Fraction	No
Concentration	✓ Yes
Complexing	✓ Yes
Complex Stoichiometry	✓ Yes
Binding Kinetics	✓ Yes

What We Know Now





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