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Announcements

RE - we always buy smallest

- My OH (T 4-5) now in 16-336 except 109 orals days

(11/4, 12, 9)

- Methods FNW common issues

– informative introductory sentences

NOT intermediate stock [conc] or vols.

– efficient amounts: [x] g/L & [y] M OR x g & y mol in z L

← final rxn. ✓

- Ligation sample calculation:

• [DNA] $5 \mu\text{L} \times \frac{20}{23} = 4.35 \mu\text{L}$

ins ~50ng
bkb ~10⁷ ng

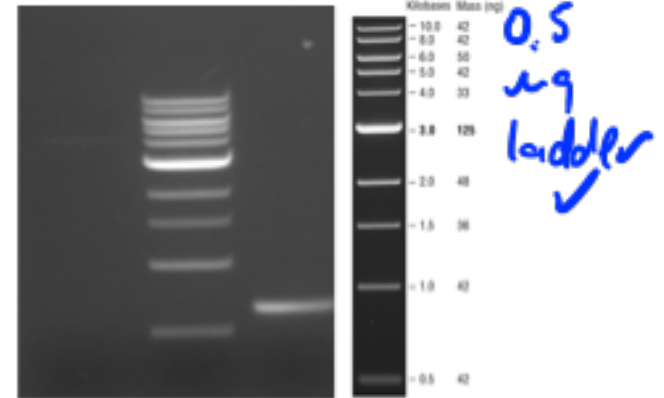
• [I]: $50 \text{ ng} \div 4.35 \mu\text{L} = 11.5 \text{ ng}/\mu\text{L}$ B: 2.3 "

• goal $50 \text{ ng} \times \frac{\mu\text{L}}{2.3 \text{ ng}} = \boxed{21.7 \mu\text{L B}}$

• $50 \text{ ng B} \times \frac{\text{mol} \cdot \text{bp B}}{500 \text{ g}} \times \frac{4 \text{ mol I}}{1 \text{ mol B}} \times \frac{660 \text{ bp I}}{4300 \text{ bp B}} \times \frac{500 \text{ g}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{bp} \cdot \text{I}} \times \frac{\mu\text{L}}{11.5 \text{ ng}} = \boxed{2.7 \mu\text{L I}}$

• $21.7 + 2.7 > 13.5 \mu\text{L} \Rightarrow$ so scale down

sanity check on direction



Where we are/going

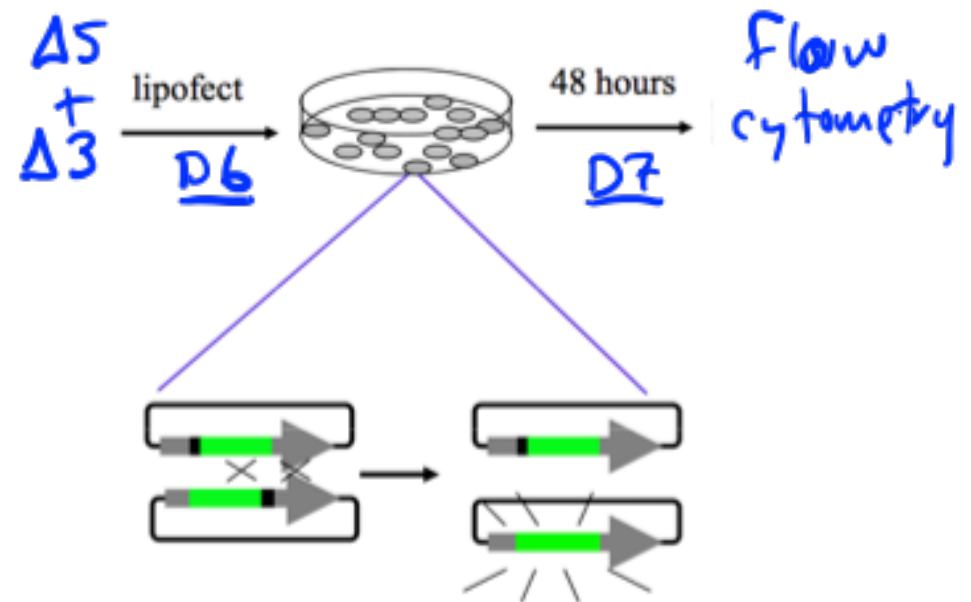
D4: make the desired clone

D4-5: amplify + select DNA in E.coli + isolate

D5⁺: test $\Delta 5$
candidate clones

→ for correctness

→ for extent of HR



DNA ligation basics

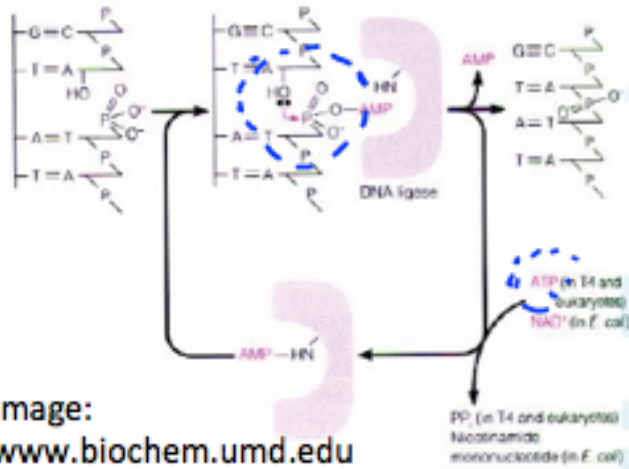


Image: www.biochem.umd.edu

Reaction creates
new phosphodiester bond

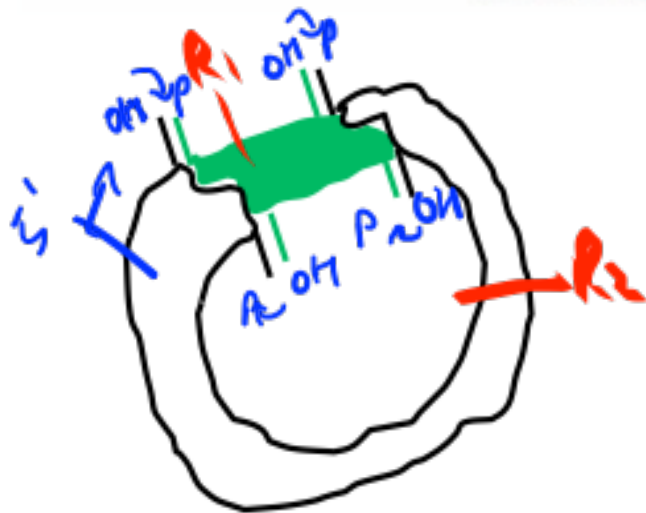
Reaction requires
ATP, Mg²⁺, DTT(SH)

What factors affect yield?

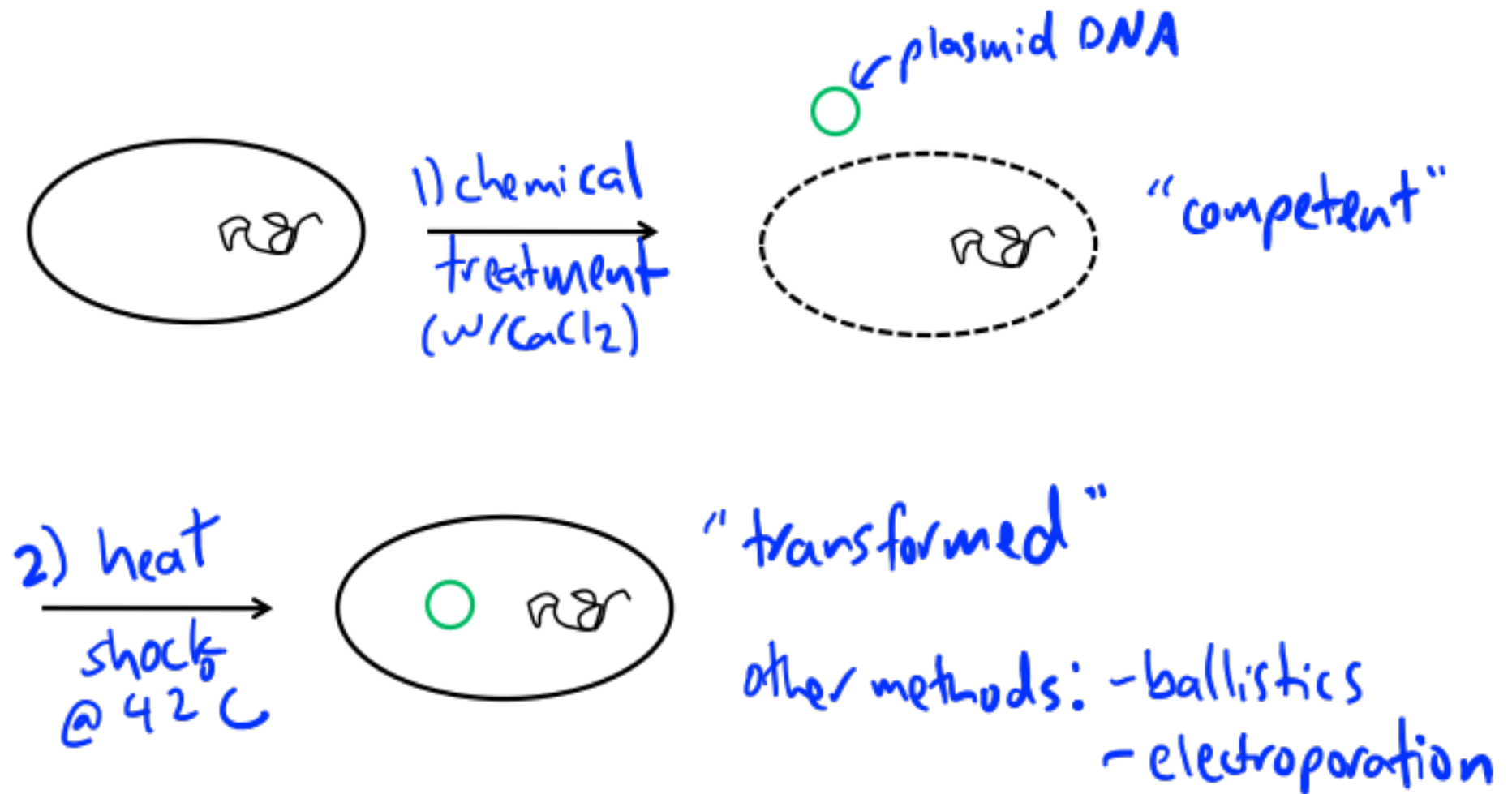
- DNA:ligase ratio
- [B], [I] & ratio
- time, Temp
→ optimal 16°C, RT is ok.
- pH
- salts
- [ATP + ligase]
+ quality (denatured?)

How do we assess if it worked?

sequencing or diagnostic digest
⇒ plan today!

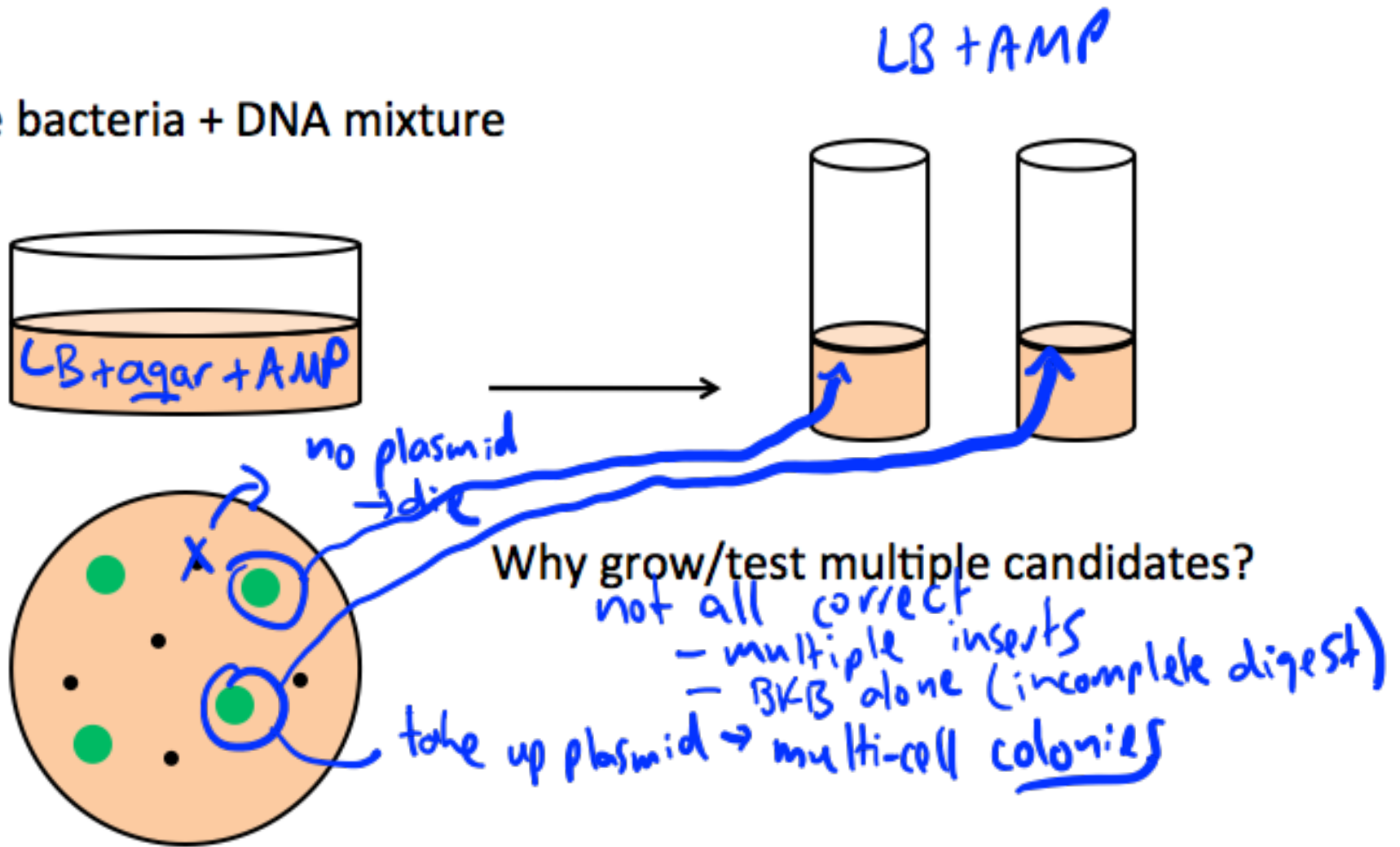


Bacterial transformation



DNA amplification in bacteria

Plate bacteria + DNA mixture



Interpreting transformation data

★ view data holistically

★ transformation efficiency

$\frac{\text{DNA } \mu\text{g}}{\text{CFU}}$ calculating

Sample	Role	Expectation... what if?
no DNA (skip today)	(-) control for contamination	E: \emptyset W1: LOTS
pCX-EGFP	(+) control for transformation	E: LOTS W1: \emptyset
bkb + ins, no ligase	uncut plasmid (or contain.)	E: none or few
bkb + ligase	singly cut plasmid (+uncut)	E: few or some
bkb + ins, + ligase	expt'l	E: some-many W1 \ll \ll (+)

contamination w/ resistant bacteria or DNA
wrong plates (incl. expired, or antibiotic)

wrong antibiotic on plates
low [DNA]
killed cells

W1 LOTS?
poor digestion efficiency

too low [DNA]
e.g., rxn. conditions

Today in Lab: M1D4

- Keep ligase *and* ligase buffer (ATP) cold
- DNA precipitation after ligation reaction
 - Yeast tRNA - "carrier" - see pellet, improve yield → (vs. tube walls)
 - Ethanol precipitate XNA $\left\langle \begin{array}{l} \text{low dielectric constant + high salt} \\ \text{gives charge screening + solubility} \end{array} \right\rangle$
 - ★ check w/us about EtOH amount ★
- WAC visit at 3:15 pm – Jessie on abstracts
- Be gentle with competent cells $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{- keep cold} \\ \text{- don't vortex!} \end{array} \right\}$
- Sterile technique for transformations: will demo during your incubation step
- Reduce volume of cells added ★ plate 50 μ L (NOT 200) of cells ★