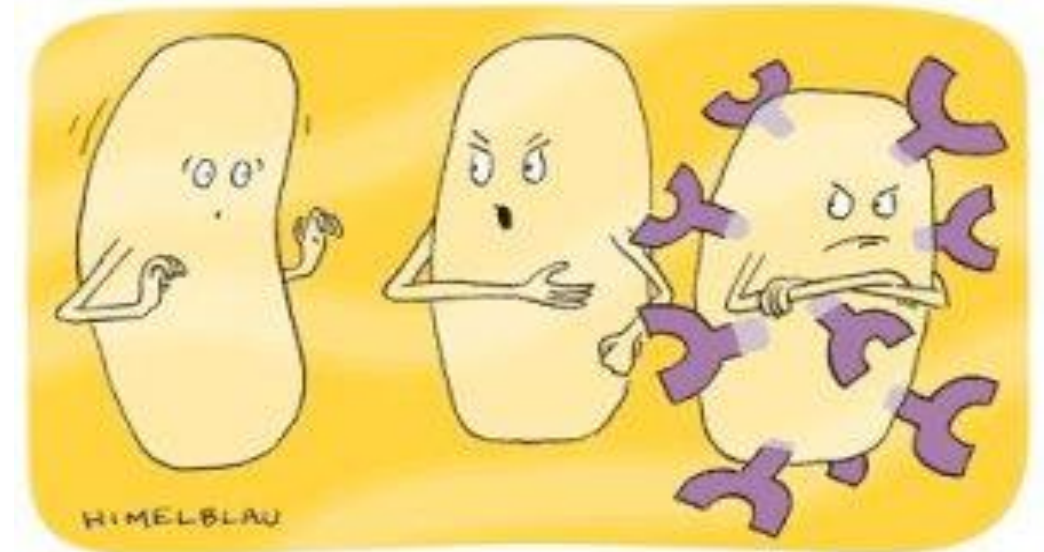


M2D2: Perform protein purification protocol

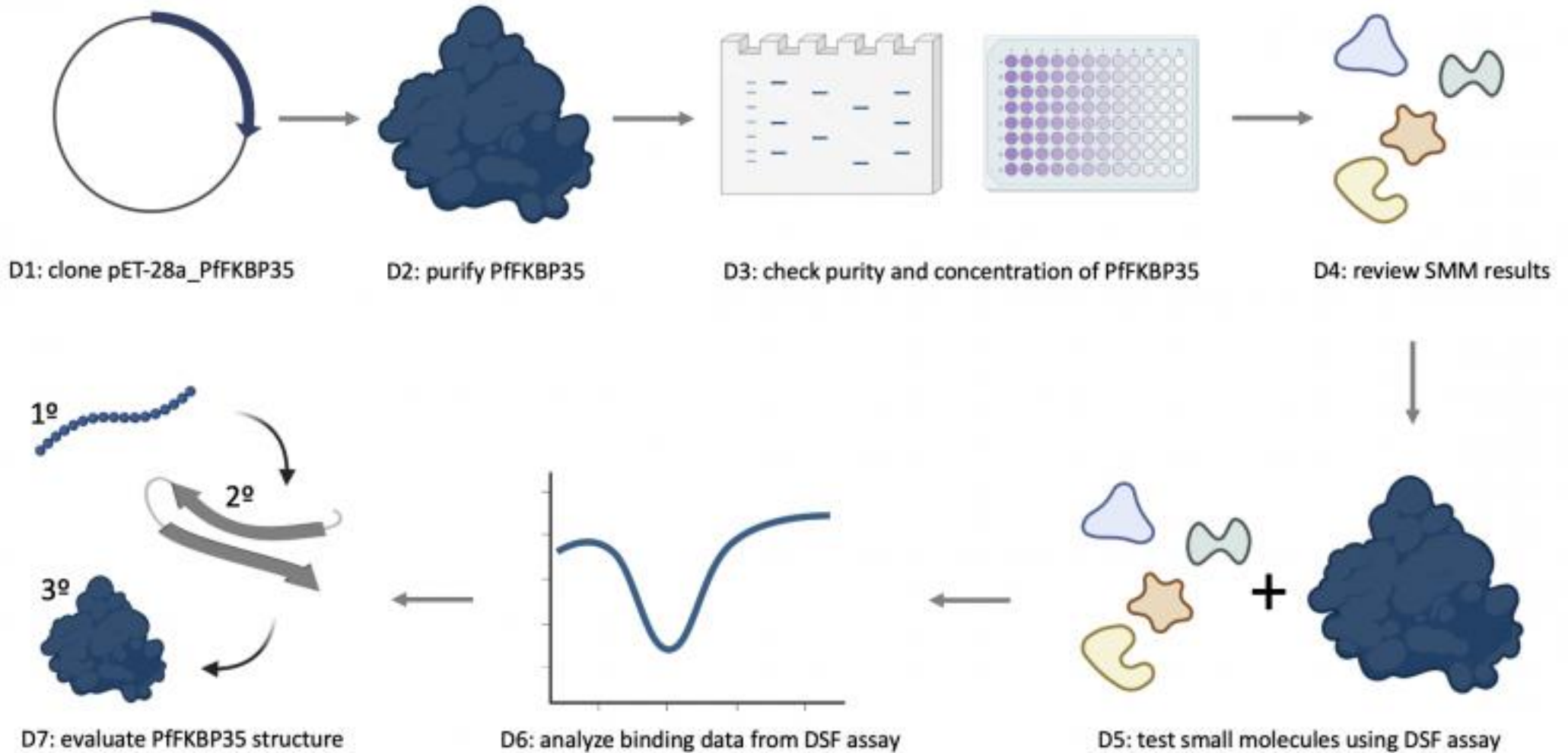
1. Prelab discussion
2. Protein purification
3. Assess RE digest



“Don’t pick it up,” I say, and he says, “It’s just a *plasmid*, what harm could it do?” Well just look at him now...who knows *what* protein he’s expressing!

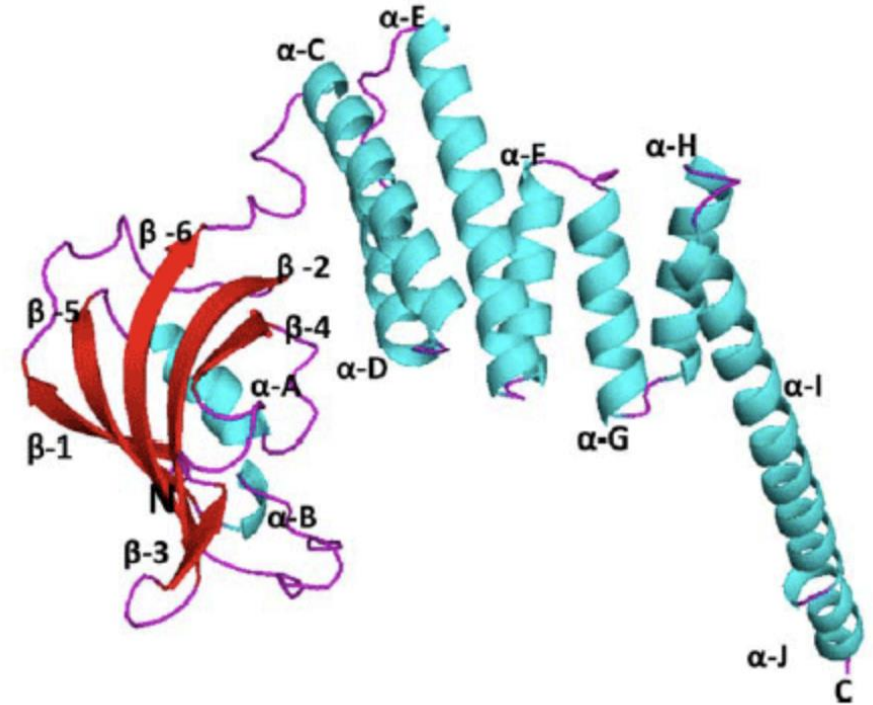
Overview of M2: drug discovery

Research goal: Test small molecules for binding to the *Plasmodium falciparum* FKBP35 protein using a functional assay.



PfFKBP35

- Pf = Plasmodium falciparum
- Essential to parasite survival
- Known drug target for:
 - Rapamycin
 - FK506
- Problem: Has a human ortholog in FKBP12
- How can we target the parasite protein and not the human?

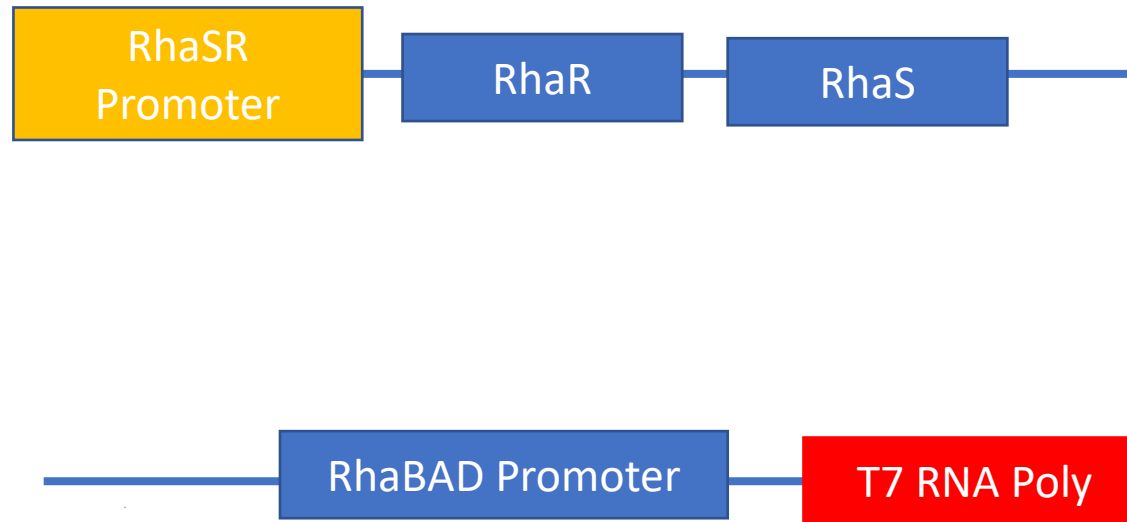


Very Brief Outline of Induction

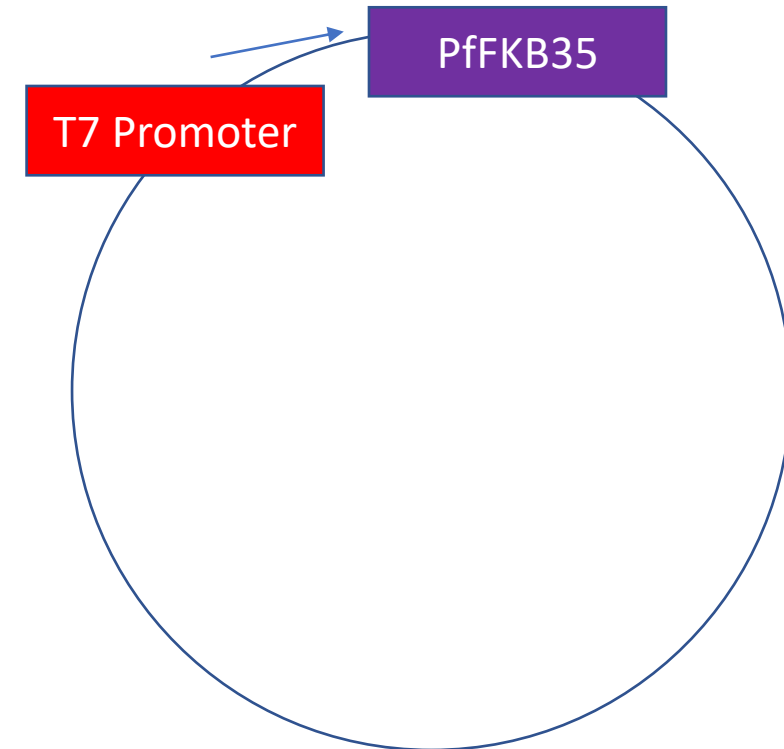
- 1) Addition of rhamnose causes Genomic Rhamnose Operon to make T7 RNA Polymerase
- 2) T7 RNA Polymerase binds T7 promoter and makes our protein

Bacterial induction in our construct

1) Genomic Rhamnose operon

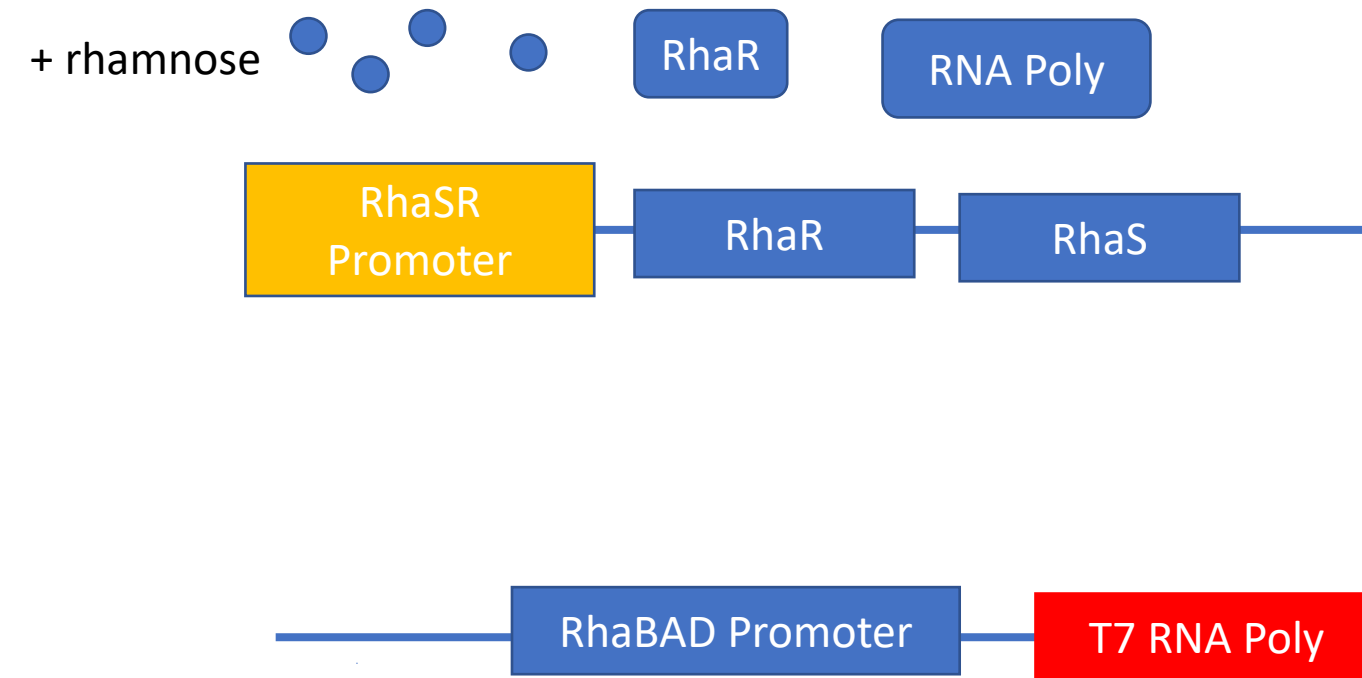


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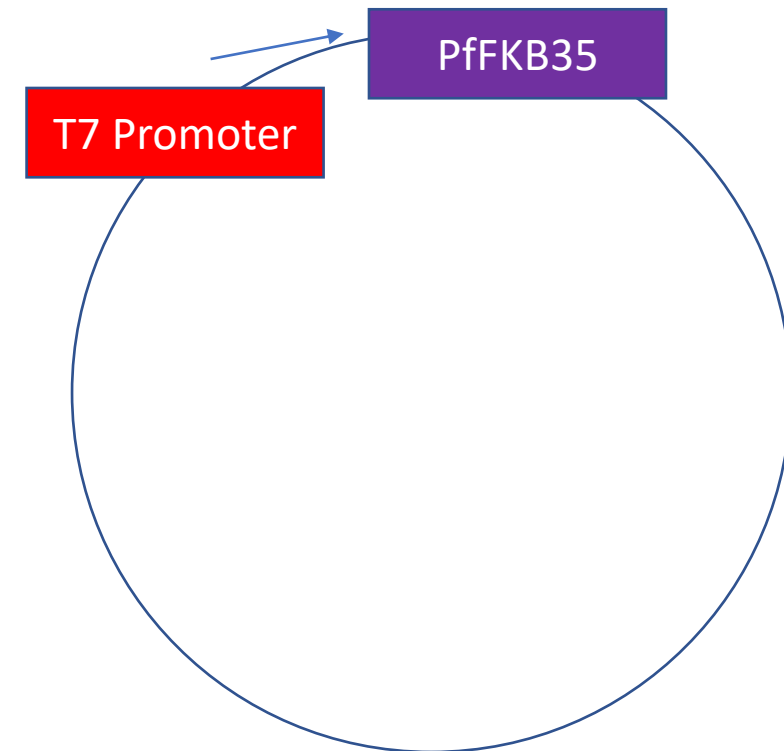


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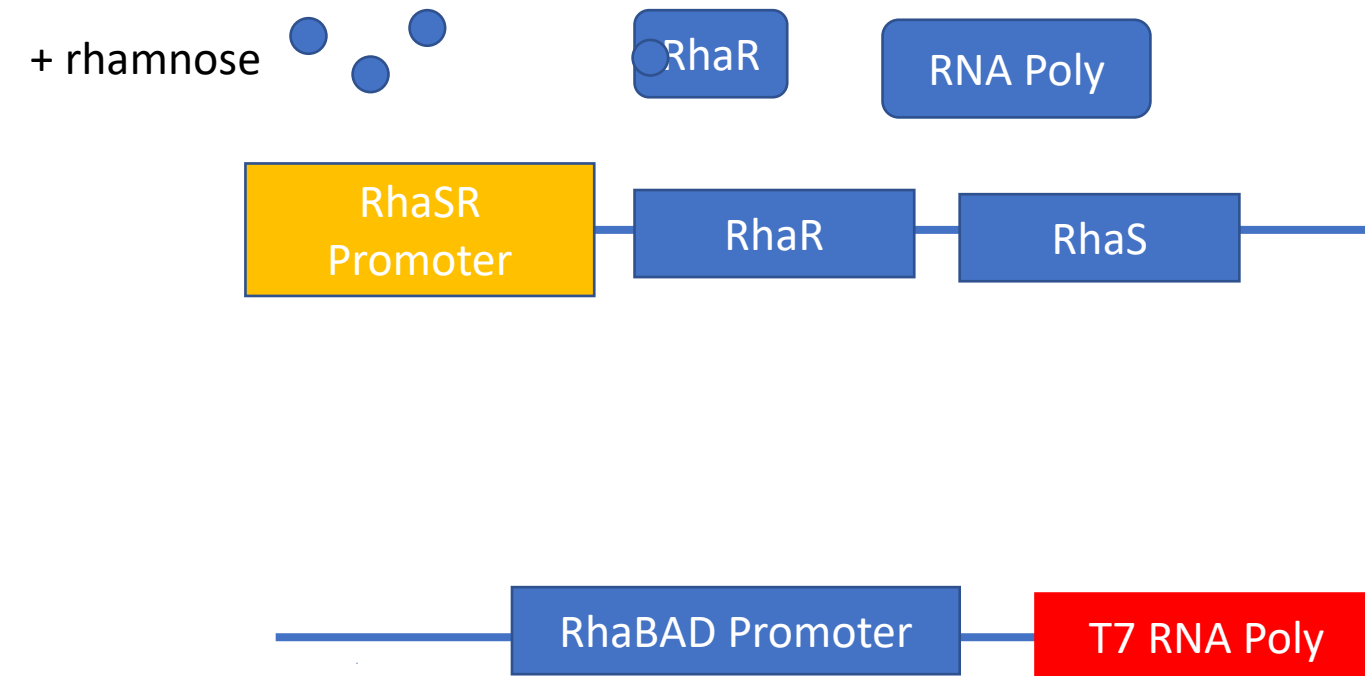


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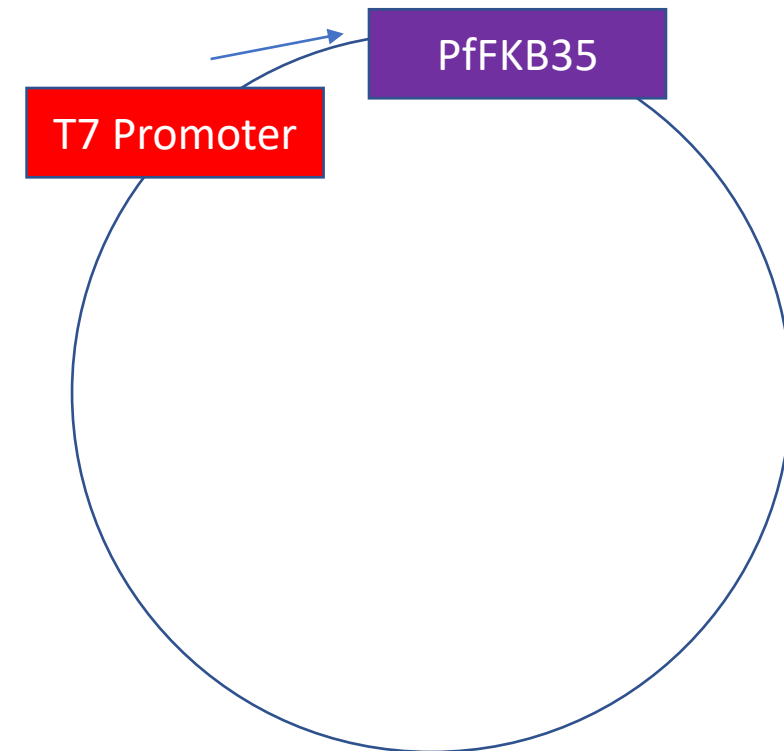


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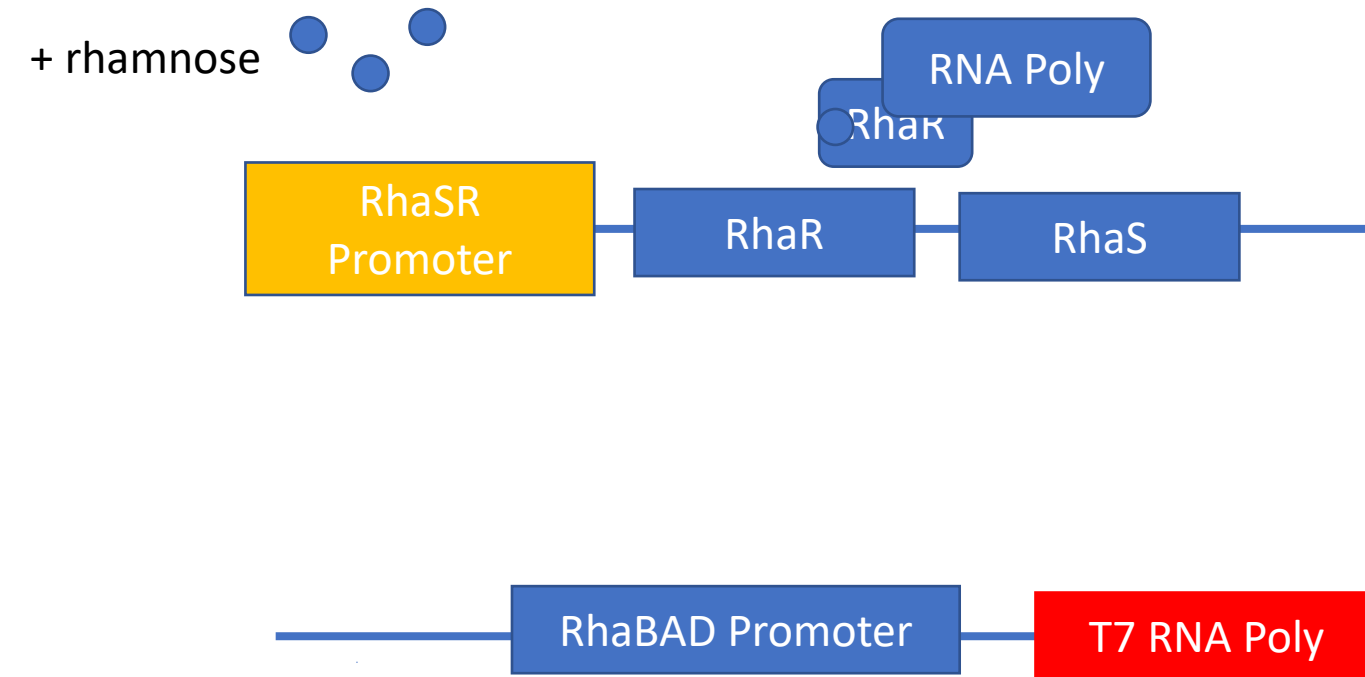


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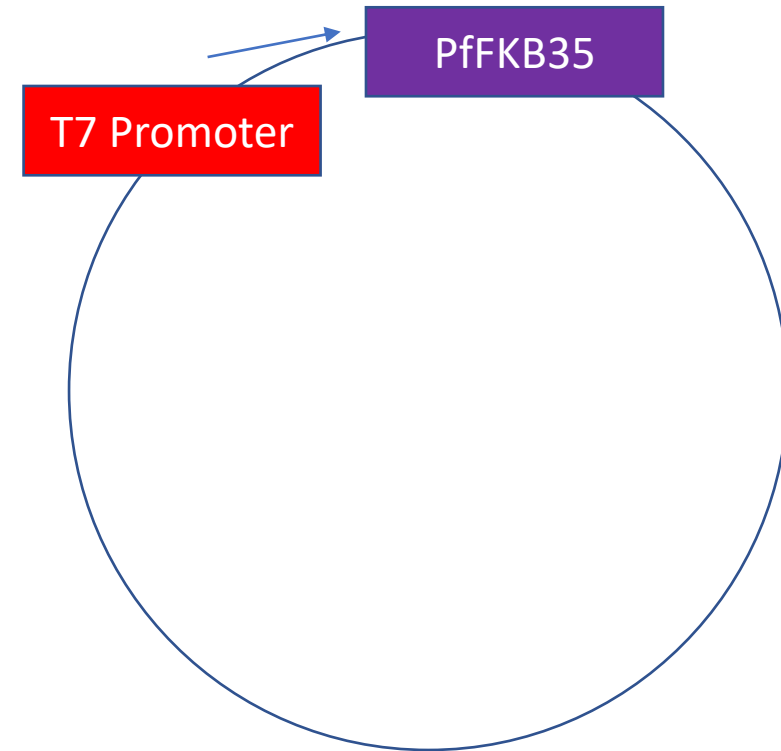


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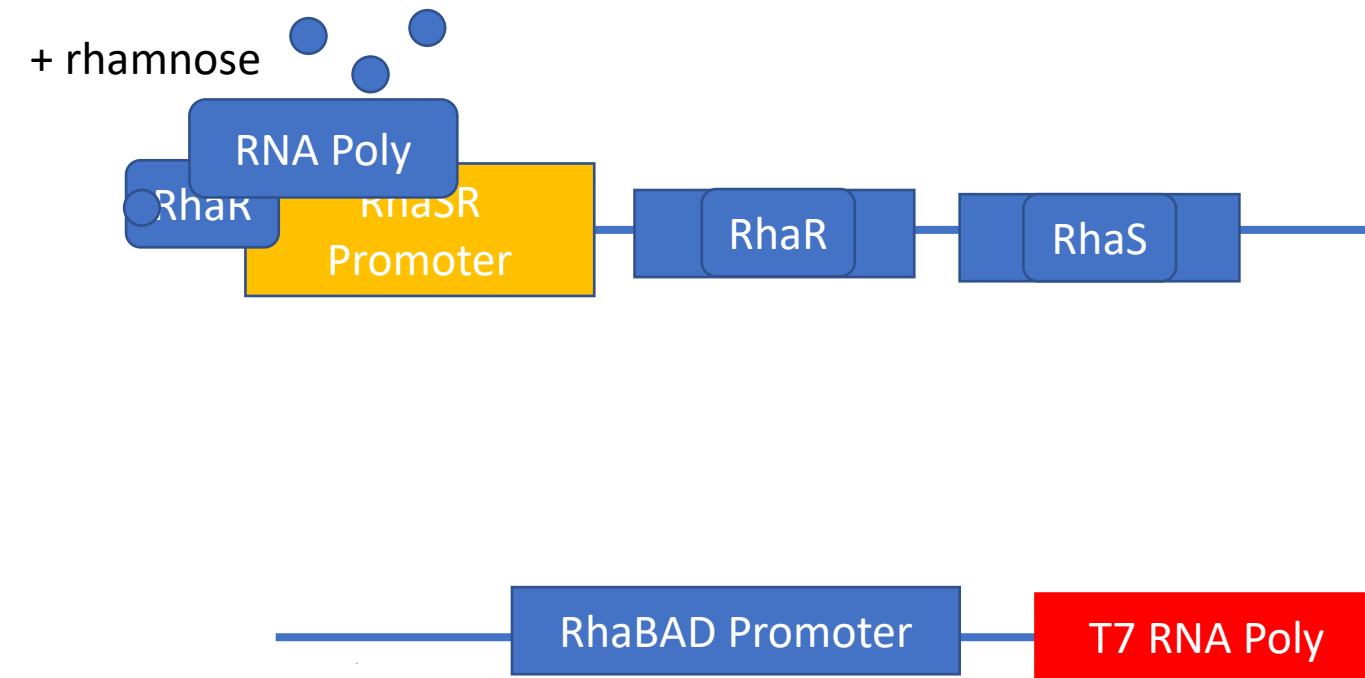


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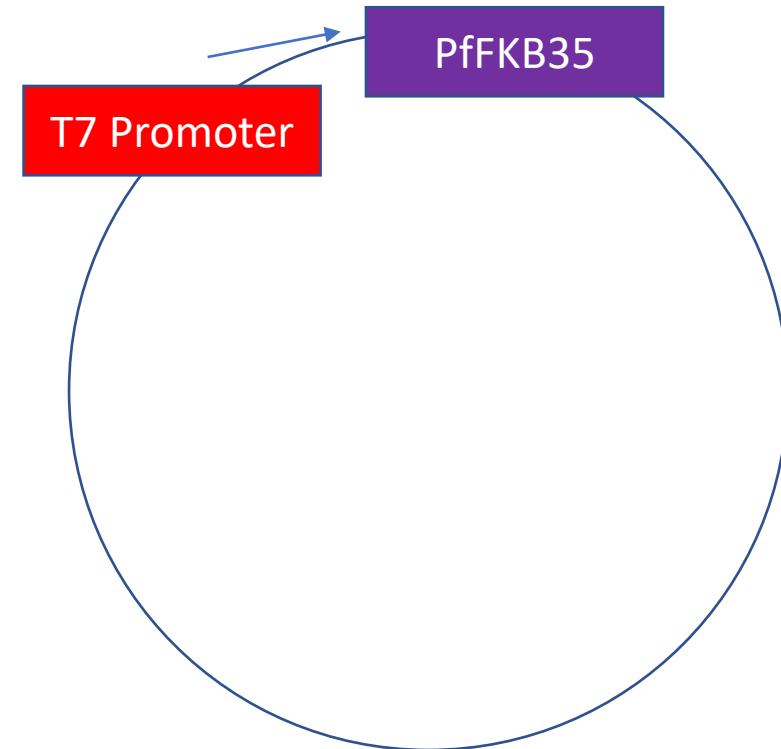


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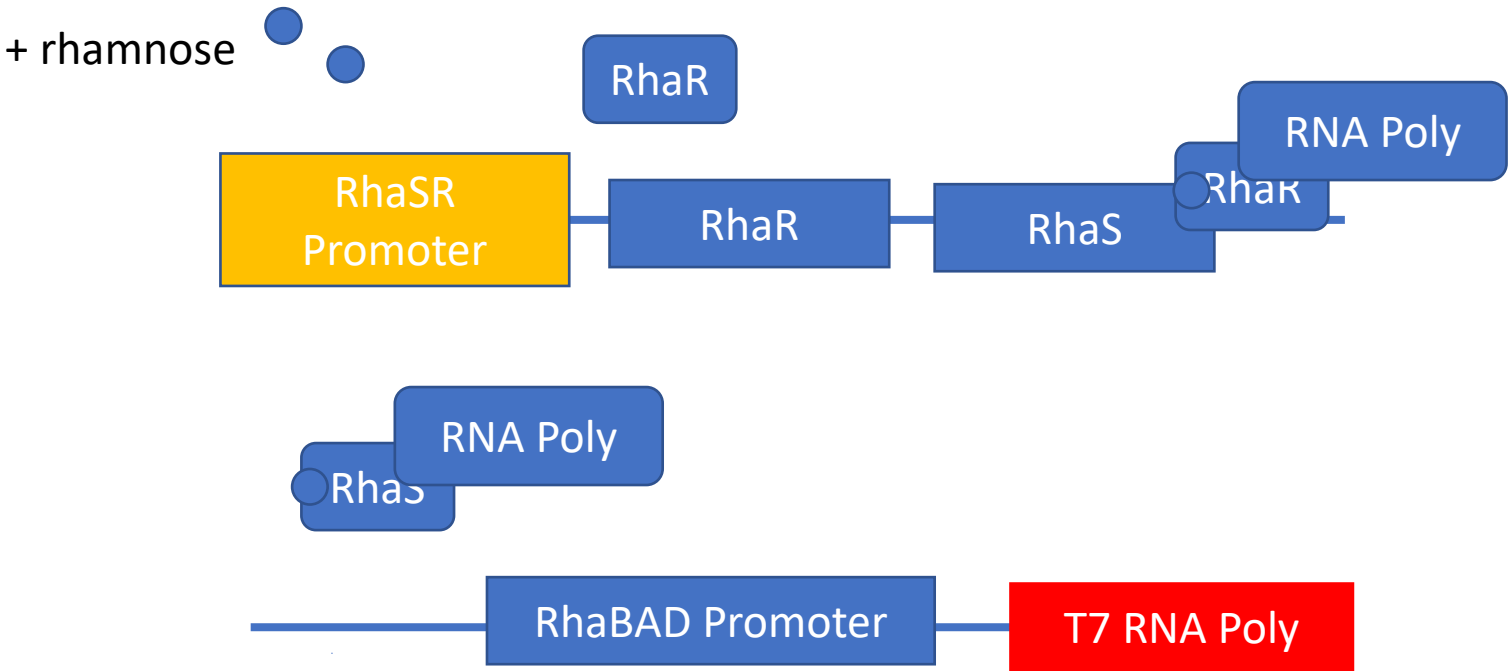


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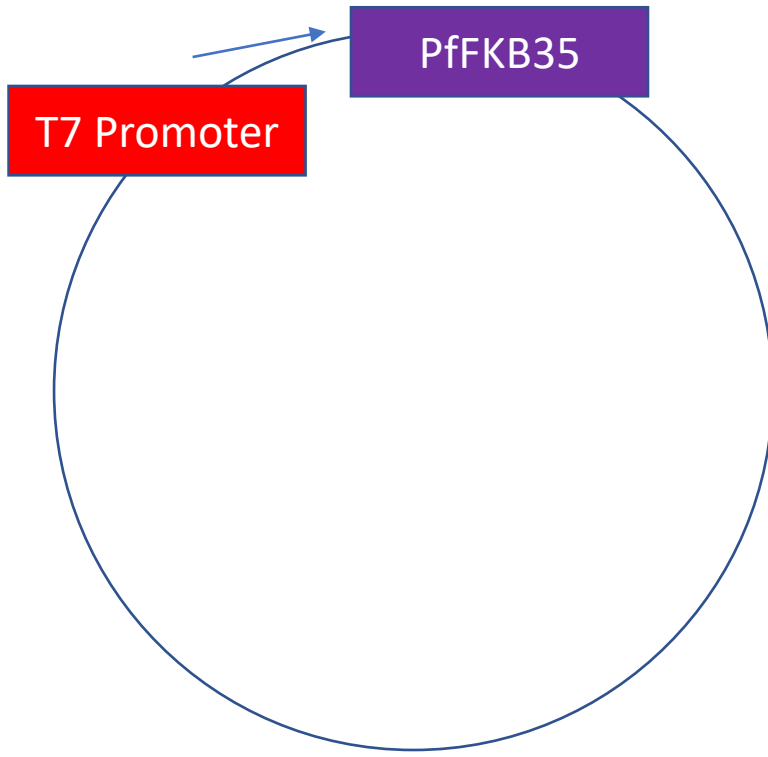


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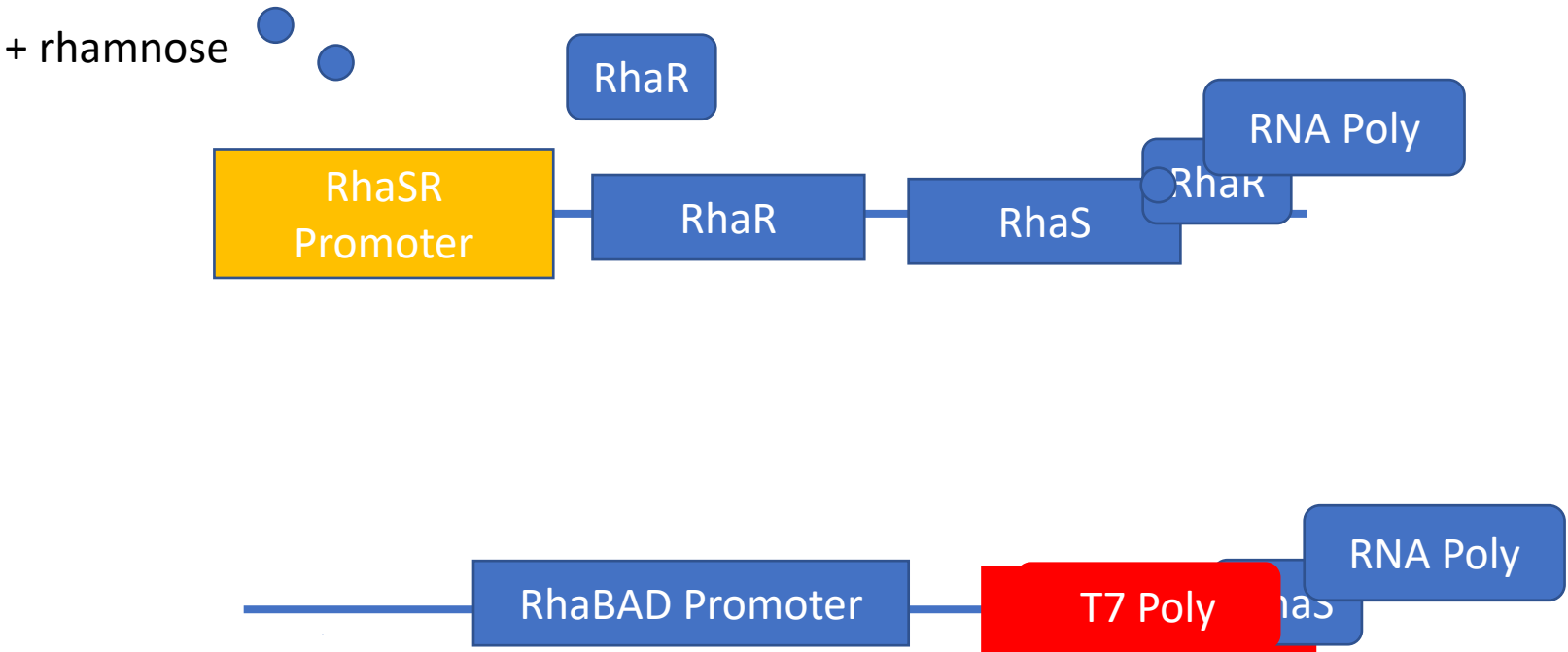


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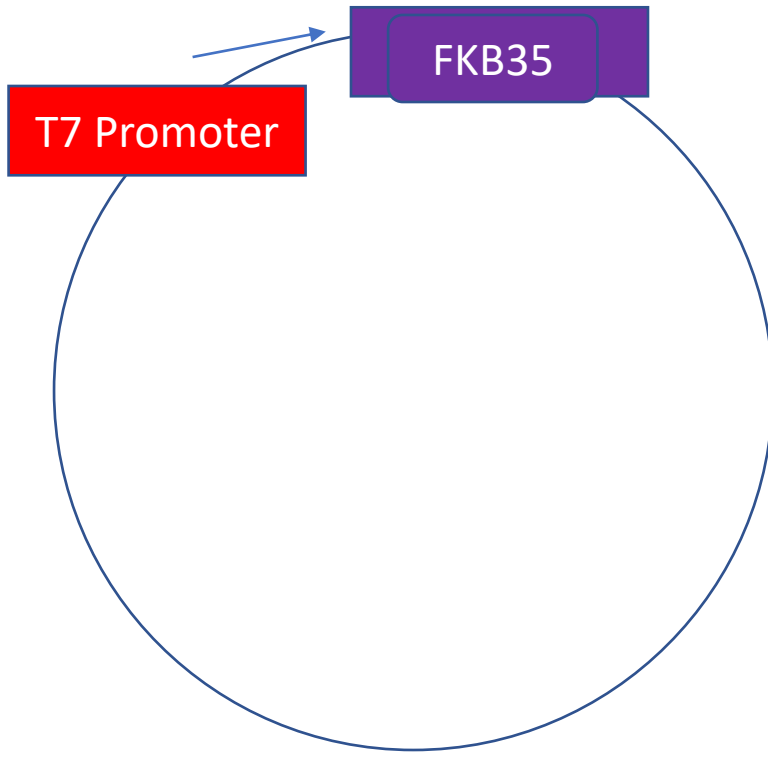


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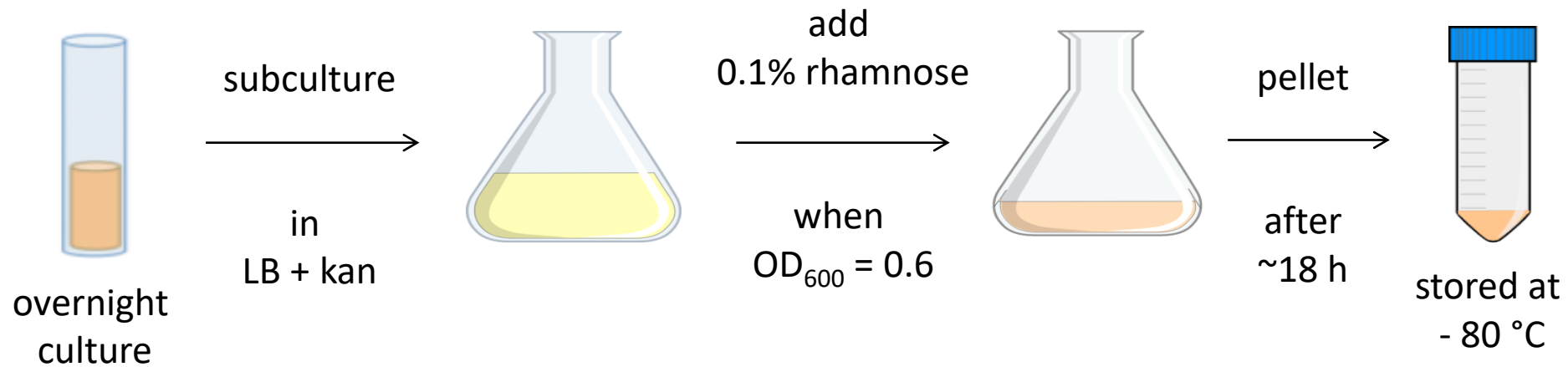
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Less Brief Outline of Induction

- 1) Rhamnose binds RharR protein that recruits RNA poly to the RharSR promoter **in the genome**
- 2) RharR & RharS get made
- 3) Rhamnose binds RharS that recruits RNA poly to the RhaBAD promoter
- 4) RhaBad promoter makes T7 RNA Poly
- 5) T7 RNA Polymerase binds T7 promoter **on our plasmid** and makes our protein

How do we induce protein expression?

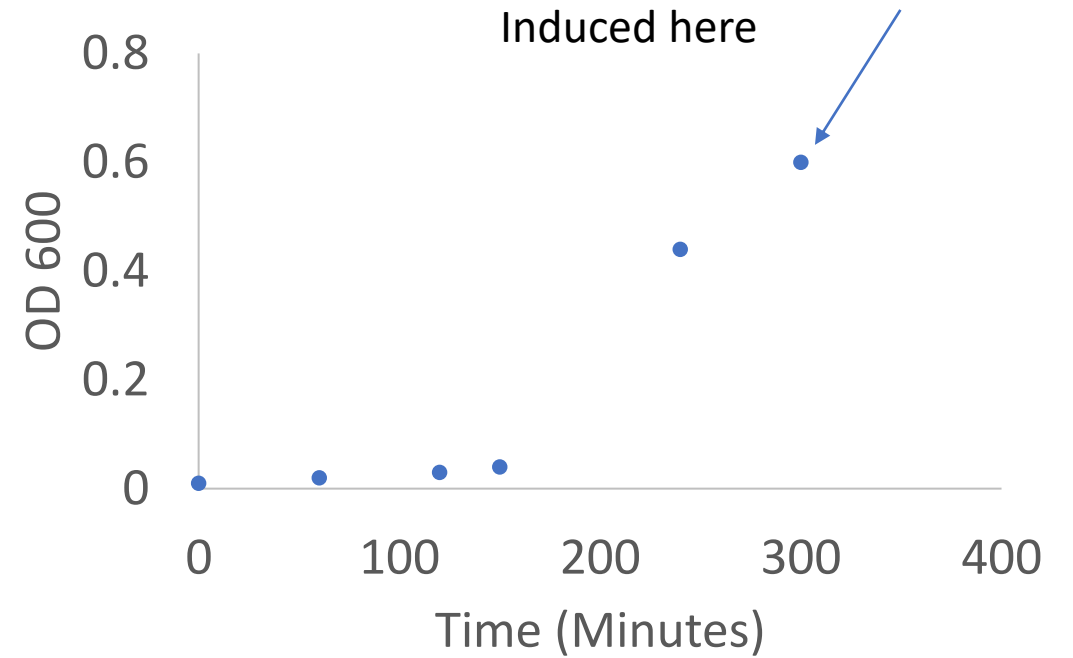
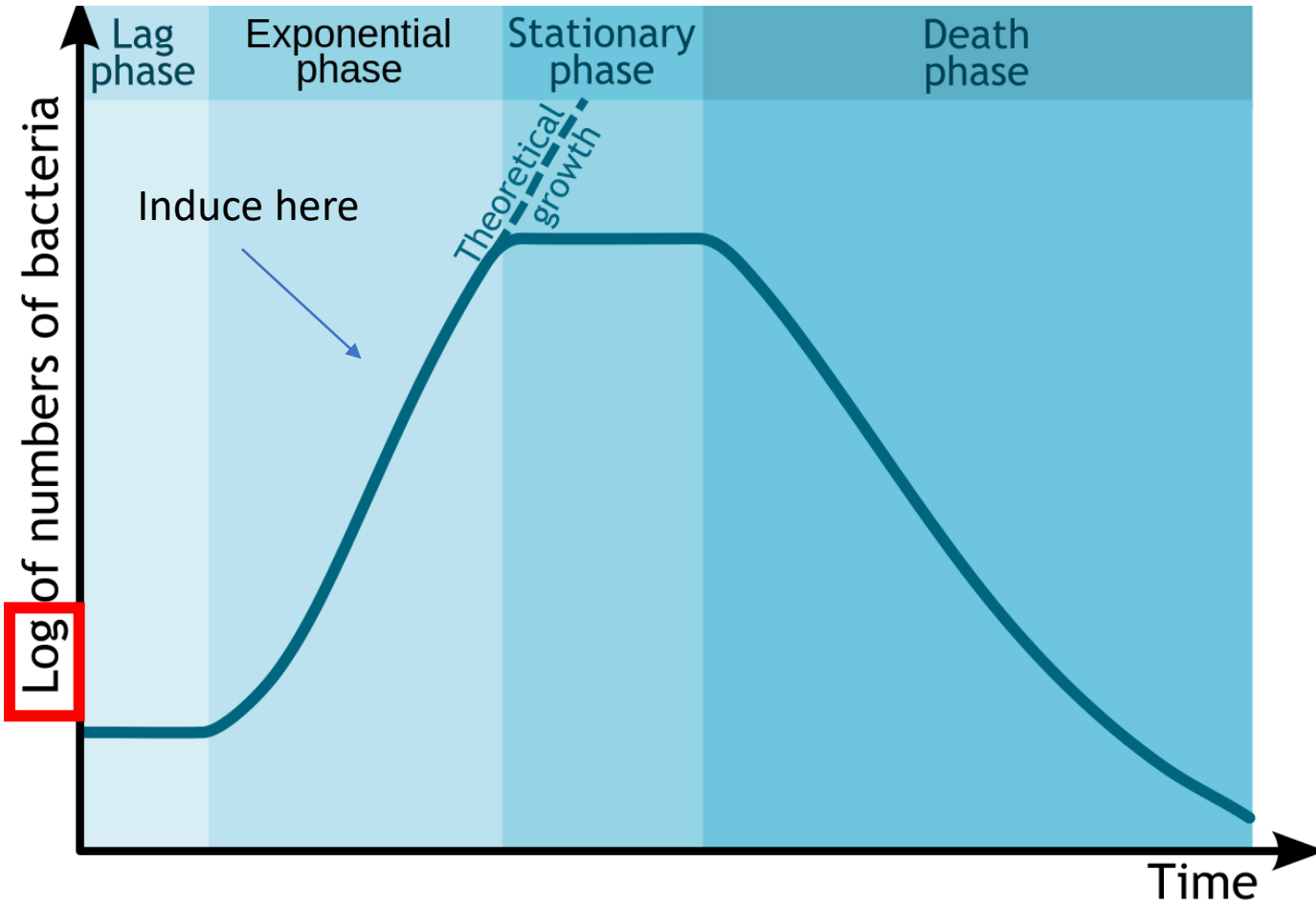


Why do we add kanamycin to our culture?

Why do we induce protein expression at $OD_{600} = 0.6$?

Addition of Rhamnose to induce protein expression occurs during the Exponential/log phase of growth

(Or Log Phase)

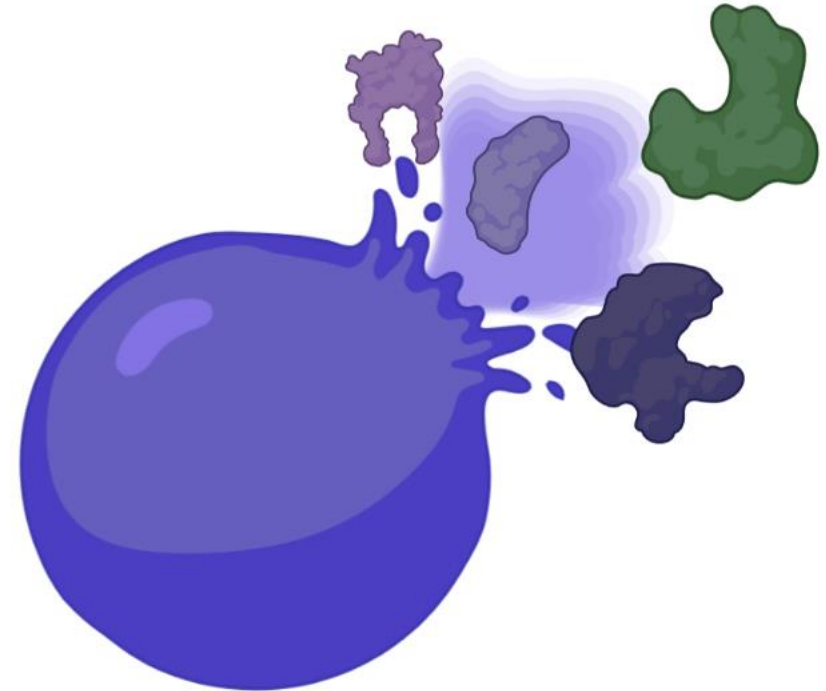


How will you purify PfFKBP35?

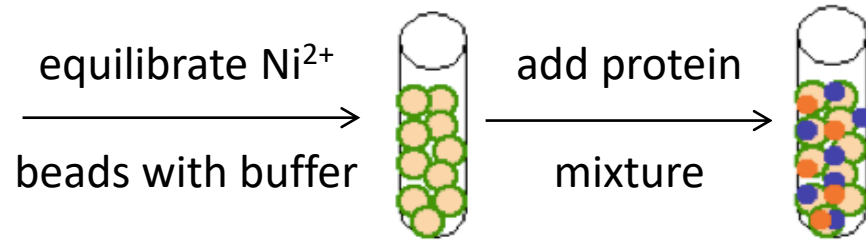
First, need to lyse cells to release proteins:

- B-PER bacterial extraction reagent
 - Detergents & Buffers
- Lysozyme + DNaseI
 - Breaks down cell walls, digests DNA
- Protease Inhibitor Cocktail
 - Why?

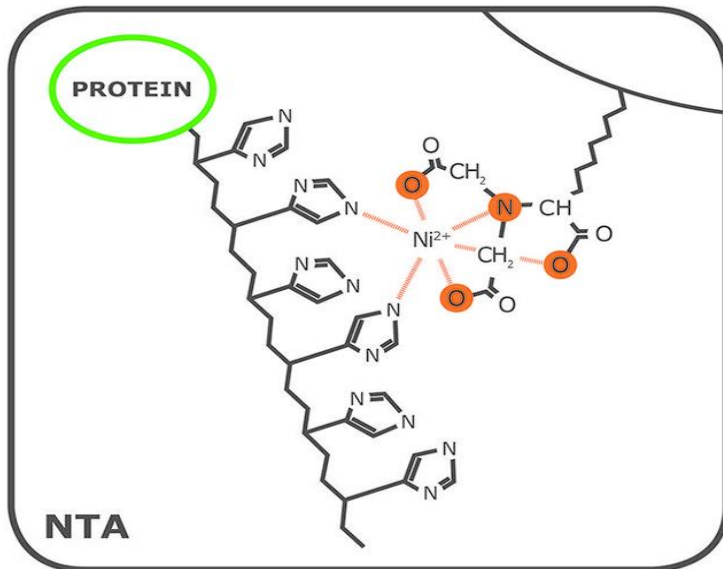
**Preserves our
protein**



6xHis tag binds to Ni^{2+} resin / column to allow purification of protein of interest via affinity purification

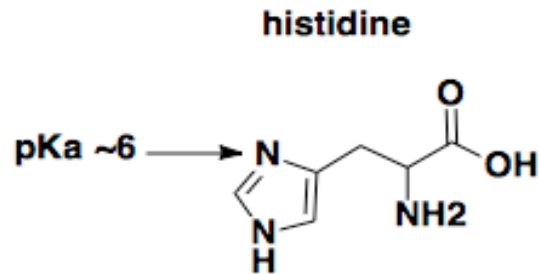
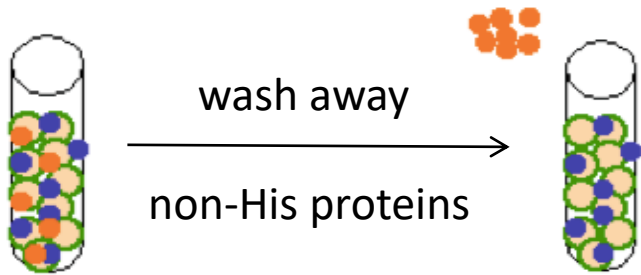


- Ni^{2+} chelated onto agarose resin via nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA) ligand

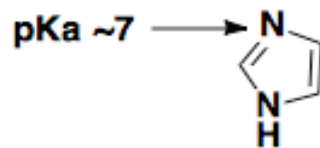


- His tag chelates to Ni^{2+} causing protein to 'stick' to resin / column

Non-specific binders washed from Ni²⁺ resin / column using a low concentration of imidazole



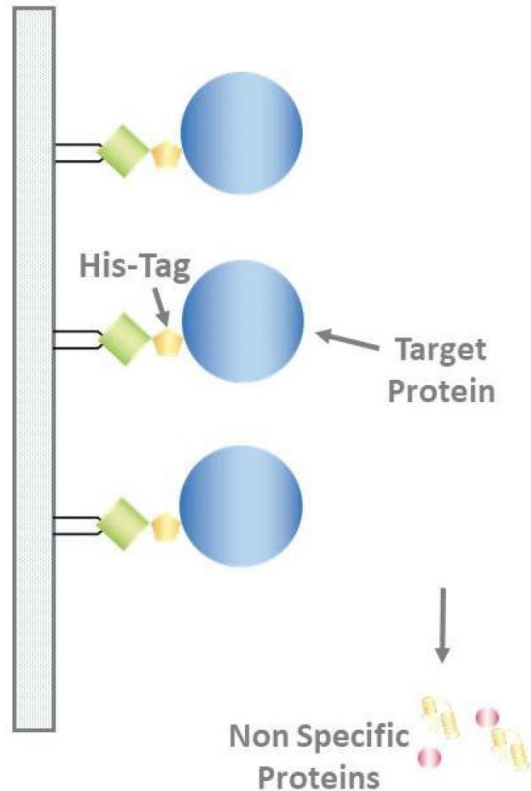
imidazole



- Low concentration of imidazole included in wash buffer
- Imidazole competes for binding to Ni²⁺ resin
 - Low affinity binders / non-specific binders are outcompeted and released from the resin

High concentration of imidazole is used to elute the protein from the Ni²⁺ resin / column

Binding:

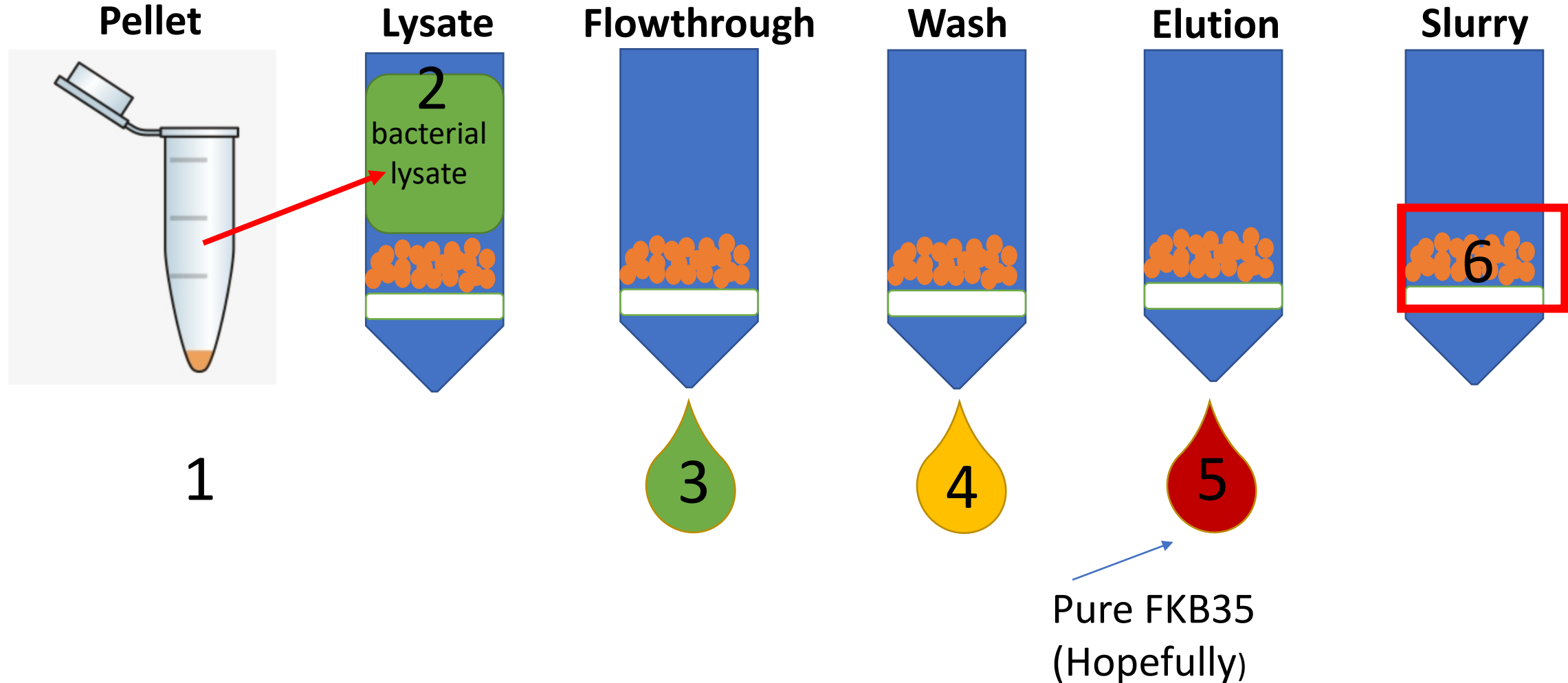


Elution:

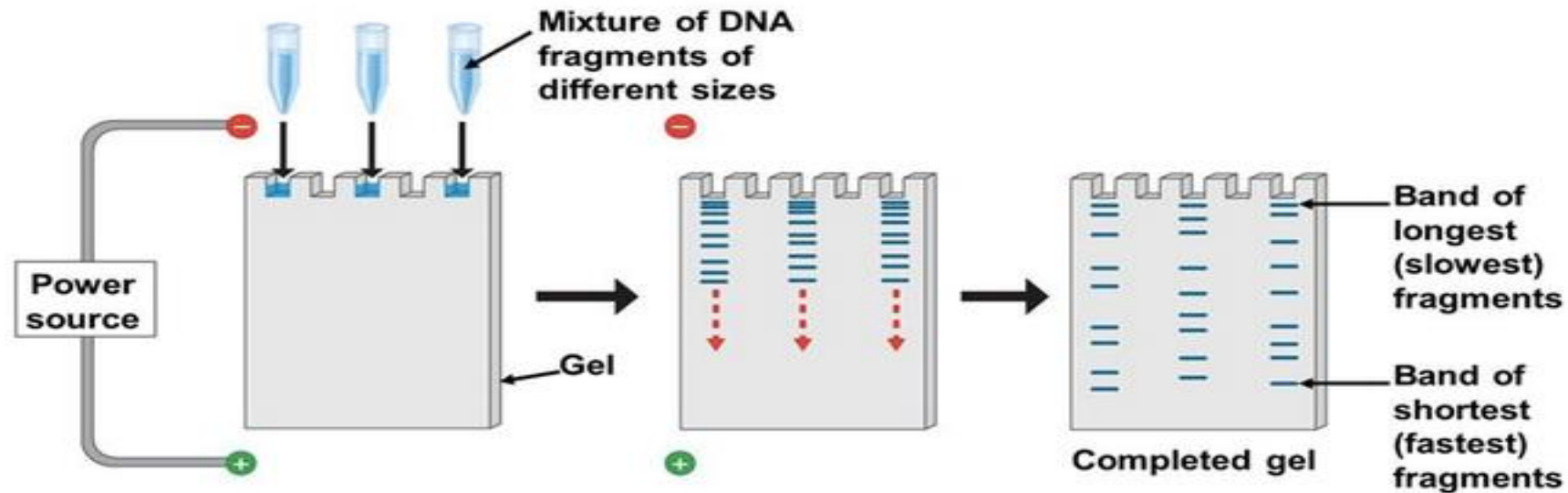


- Similar concept to wash
 - Wash uses 50mM imidazole
 - Elution used 250mM imidazole
- Instead of competing away non-specific binding, we can now out-compete the His Tag

Purification process (and where you will save samples)



DNA electrophoresis review



How do you visualize the migration through the gel?

Tracking dye / Dye front – Bromophenol blue

How do you visualize DNA bands in the gel?

SYBR Safe DNA Stain

For today...

1. Purify your protein for validation assay
2. During a centrifugation step, electrophorese your RE digest

For M2D3...

1. Answer question prompts on the wiki homework to think about how you will create a story from figures in the paper