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# Announcements

- Welcome back!
    - second half of M2, the real fun begins
  - Mod 1 revision due Friday at 1 PM, to Stellar
    - mark/note your changes! also read lateness policy
  - Let's talk grades
    - letters → numbers
    - 109 philosophy
- + OH R 9-10am
- + Cell doubling calc. "fun" ≠ optional

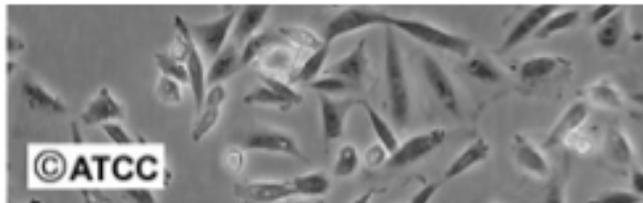
# Methods FNT common issues

- Structure: sub-section groupings  
informative titles + topic sentences
- Sources and/or compositions: manufacturer - e.g. Laemlli, RIPA  
also composition - e.g., inhibitors (2 kinds)  
antibiotics
- Concentrations! usually final. NOT "1% of 100x stock." → final  
don't mislead. NOT "100x (10µg/ml)"  
YES "10µg/ml"
- Revision exercise from Shannon: "After removing from incubator, 3 mL of PBS was added to the cells. After removal, trypsin and EDTA was added for 5 min at 37 C to dislodge cells."  
After rinsing with PBS, cells were detached with [1mL]  
X % trypsin / Y mM EDTA and plated at xxx cells/cm<sup>2</sup>.

# Where were we?

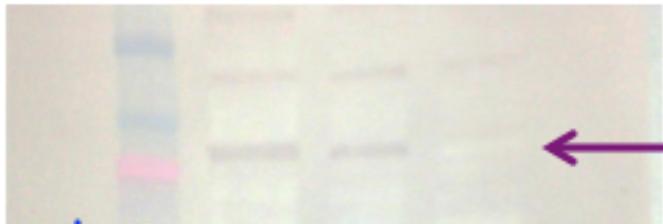
**DAY 1**

**Plate K1 and xrs6**



**DAY 2 + 4**

**Measure Ku80 levels**



why? validate cell lines

**DAY 3**

**Reverse engineer  
plasmid construct**

**DAY 4**

**Prepare and assess  
damaged DNA**

how?

observe digested  
products

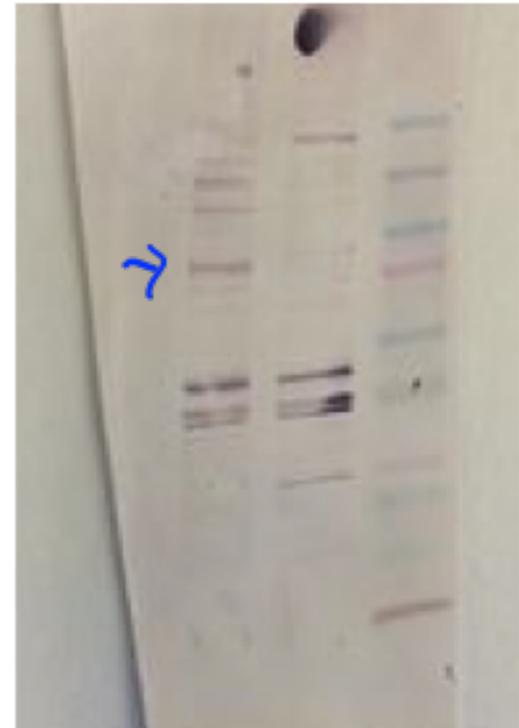
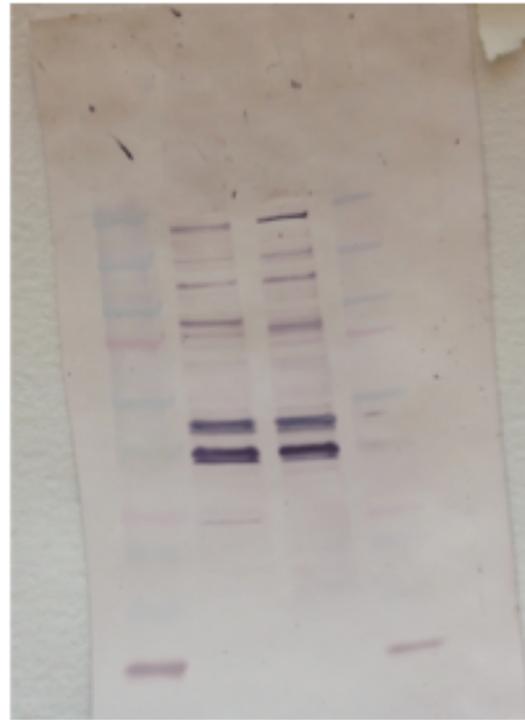
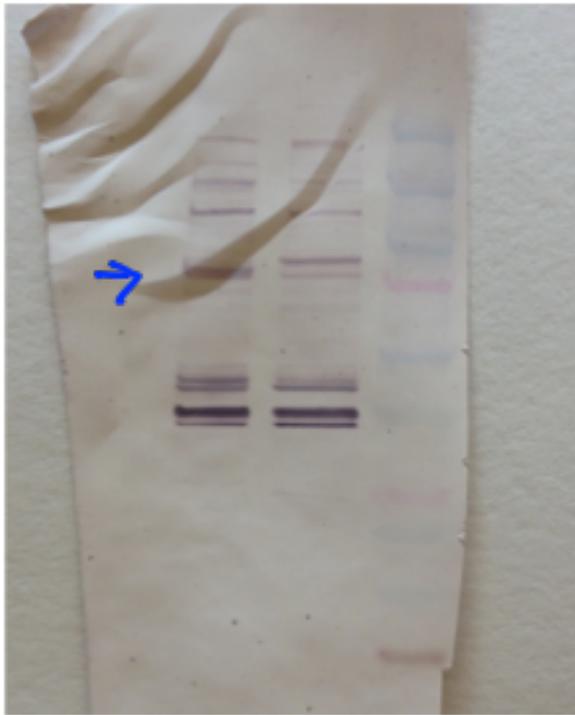


mcs1 unk mcs2  
600 bp  
↙

# Sample Western results

reality - most looked like this

"ideal"



WF Pink

WF White

TR Blue

still see A

# What validation remains?

validate inhibitor

**DAY 6**

Plate irradiated K1  
with varying [C401]

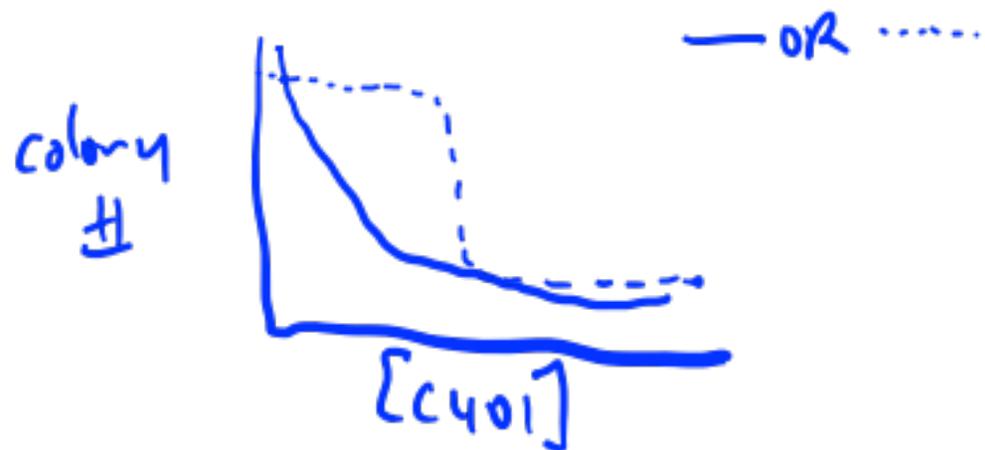
**DAY 7**

Stain for colonies



- 1) C401 advance treatment
- 2) irradiation
- 3) low [cell] plating
- 4) colonies! grow over 5d

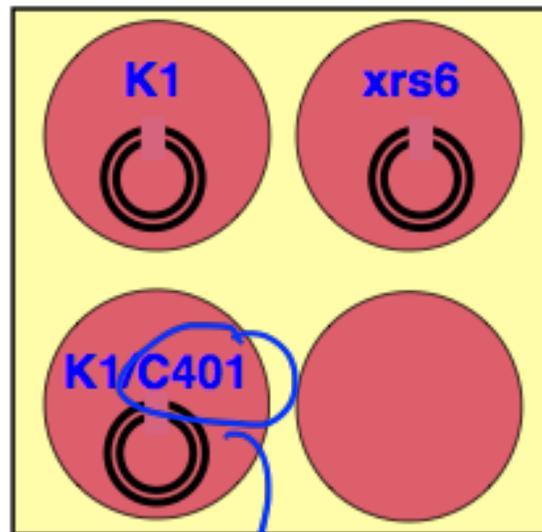
end result:



# The core/investigative experiment

**DAY 5**

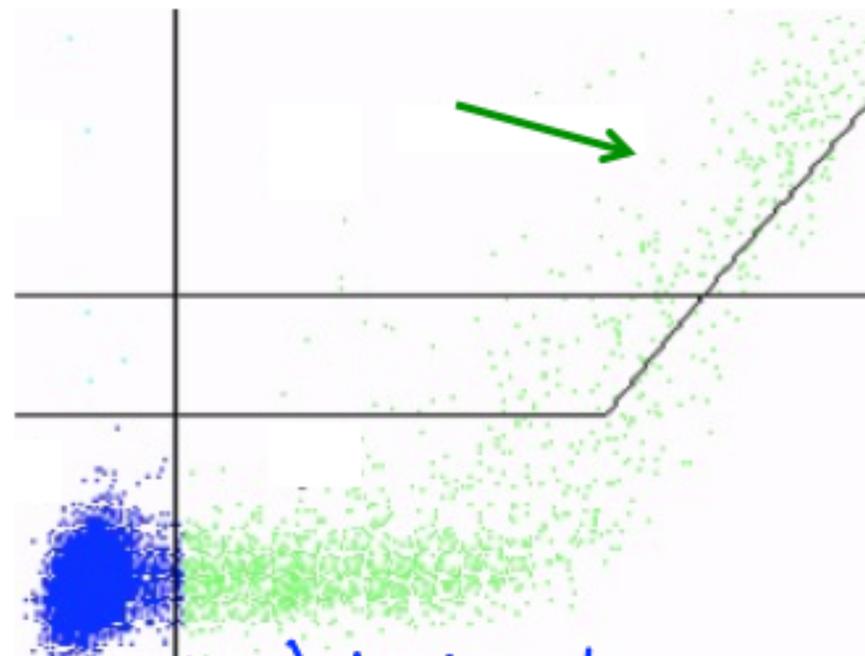
**Transfect cells with  
damaged DNA**



*in advance: cell entry, DNA-PK (cs) binding, etc.*

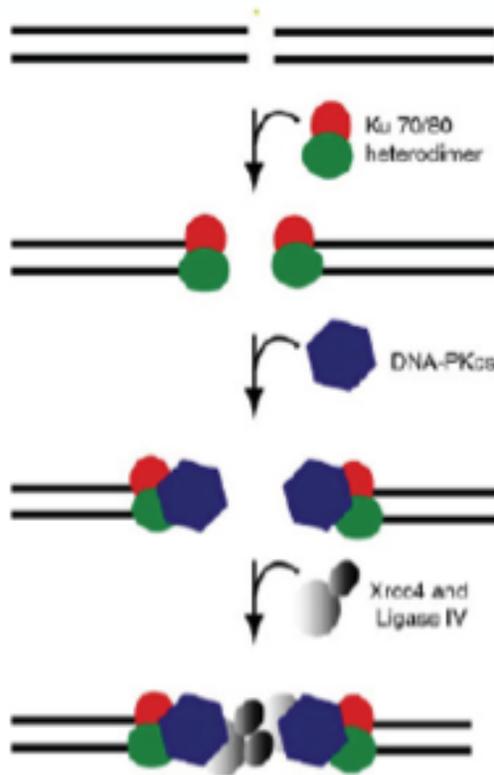
**DAY 6**

**Measure repair via fluorescence  
of plasmid reporters**



# Canonical NHEJ Pathway:

How many experiments are we performing?



Ku70  
Ku80 *X xrs6 vs. WT*

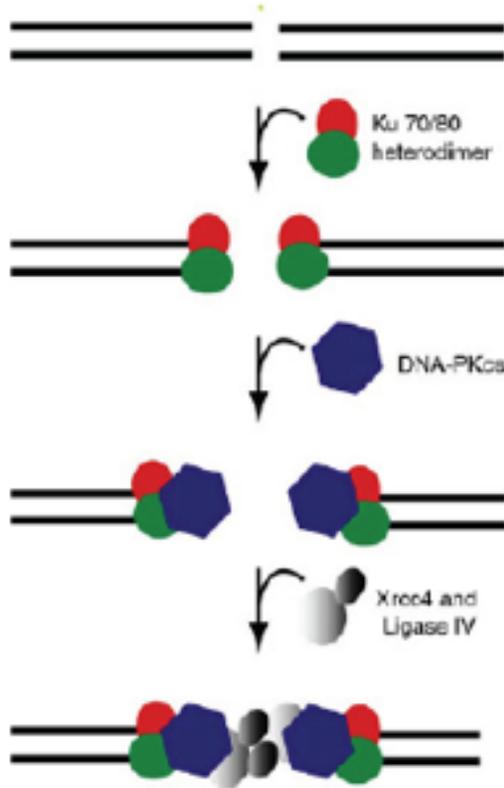
DNA-PKcs  
*T C401-K1 vs. K1*

Xrcc4  
Ligase IV *(C401-K1 vs. xrs6)*

Slide from Shannon H

# Canonical NHEJ pathway:

How many questions can we ask with our data?



Ku70  
Ku80

DNA-PKcs

Xrcc4  
Ligase IV

starting point

A)  $p_{Max-BFP} + p_{Max-GFP}$  ] max "repair" (contact)

B)  $p_{Max-cut MCS} + p_{Max-GFP}$  ] ratio of NHEJ readout transfection control

specific Q

1) compare topologies for NHEJ repair efficiency in WT cells

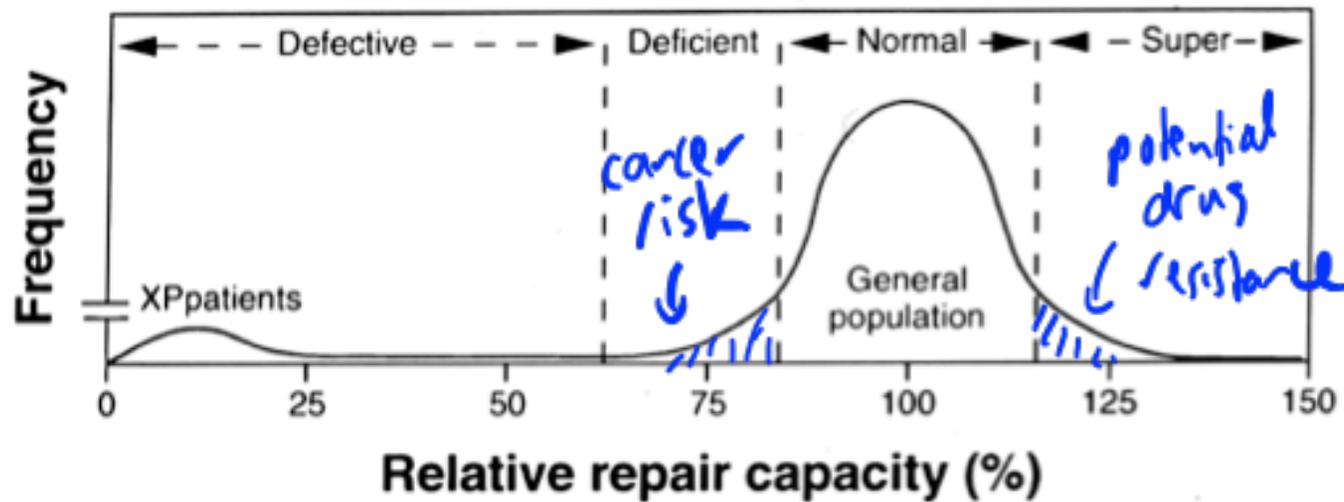
2) does xrs6 or c401 shift things?

broader Q / impact  
what pathways are important for different topologies?  
(competition, etc.)

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# Putting our exp't back in context – L. Samson

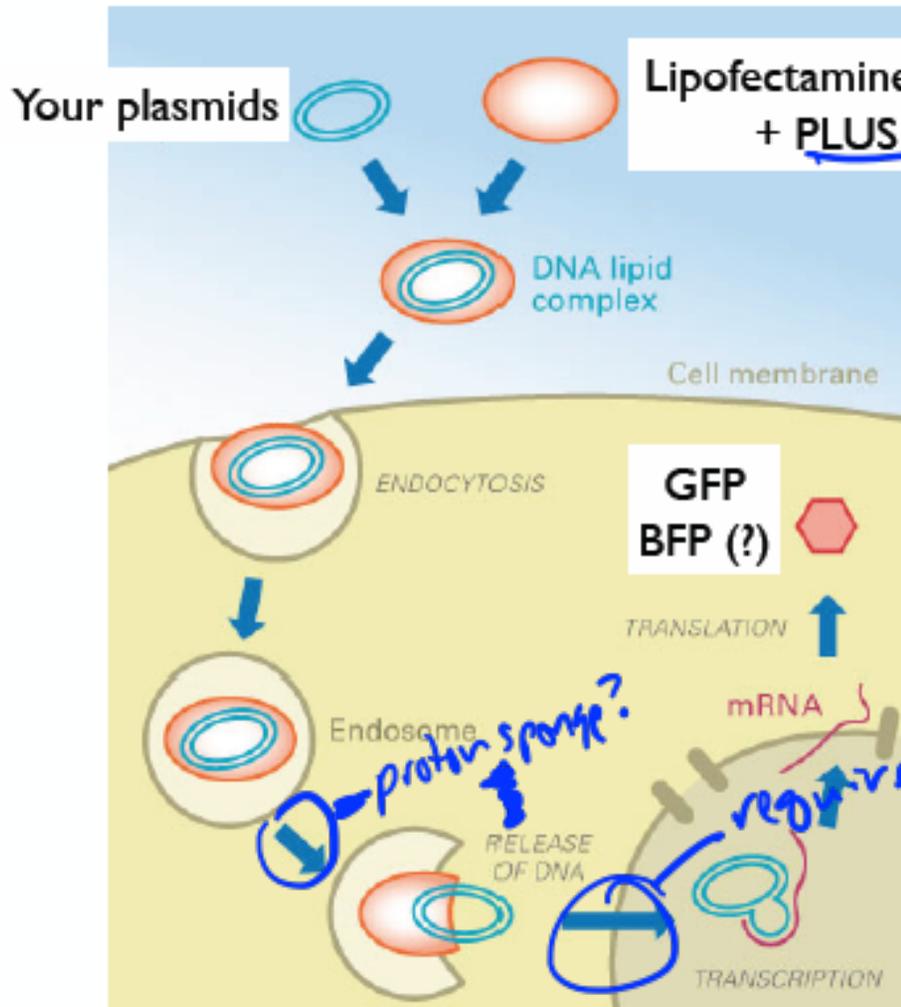
## Interindividual Variation in DNA Repair Capacity



Adapted from **GROSSMAN and Wei (1995)** Clinical Chem 41: 1854-1863

- DNA repair is variable - in both healthy and tumor cells
- ↳ Quantifying DNA repair is interesting important
- ★ Big picture motivation for intro ★

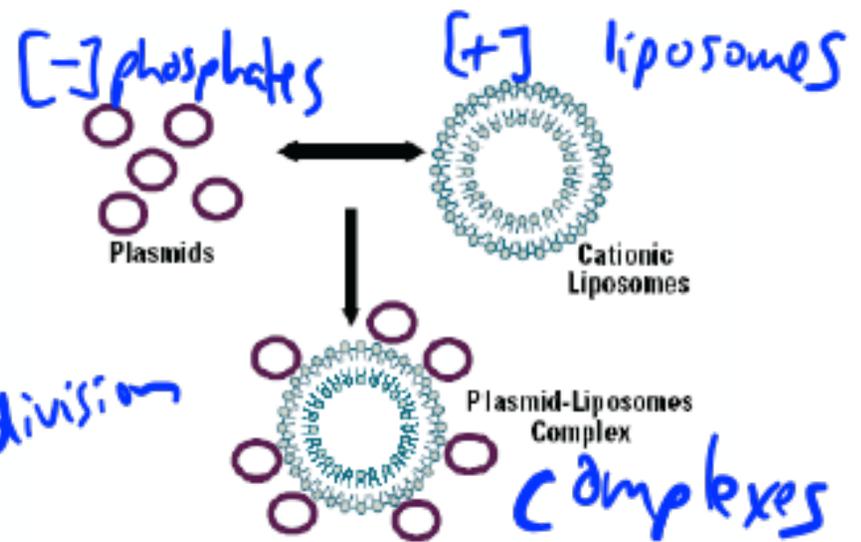
# Lipofection background



*high efficiency (cf electroporation)*

*can be toxic to cells*

*bundling DNA?*



<http://www.azonano.com/article.aspx?ArticleID=1233>

Slide after Shannon H

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