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A Kinetic View of Viral RNA in Single Live Cells in Real Time

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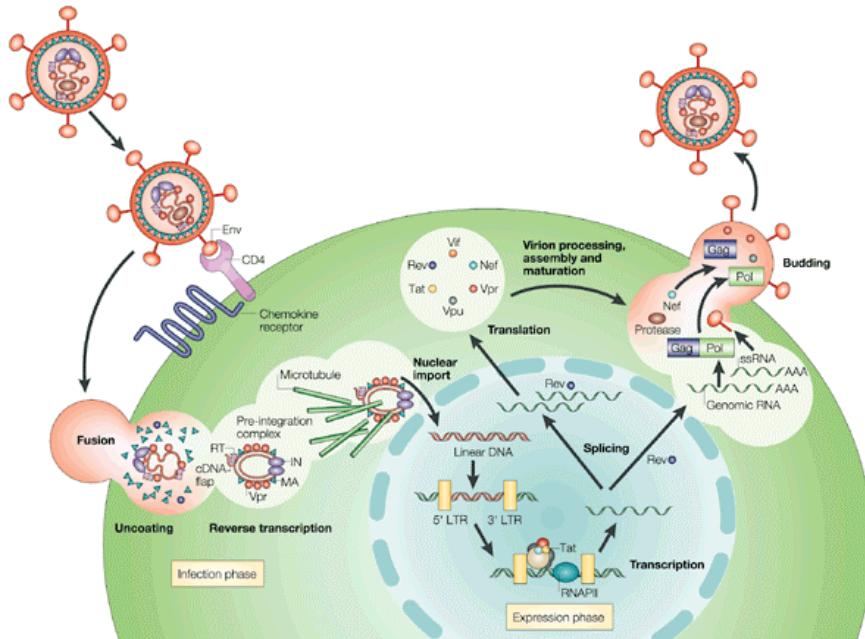
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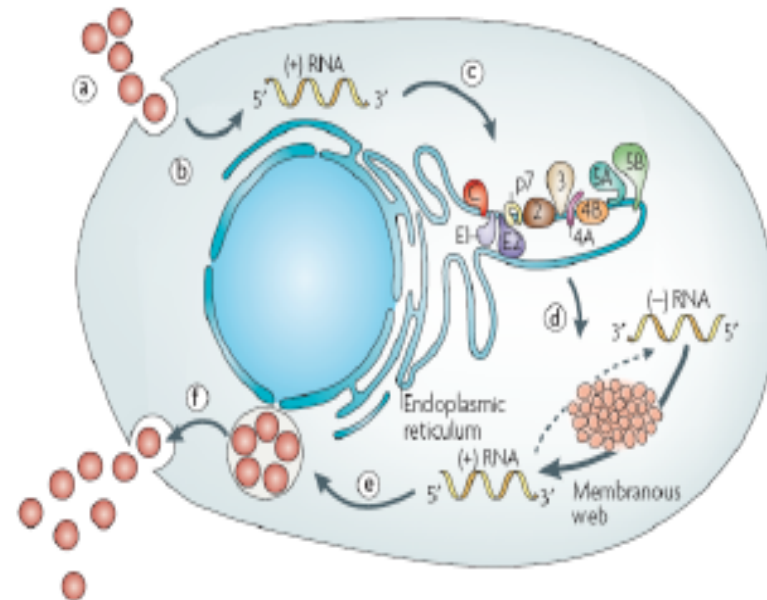


The HIV-1 life cycle

- cytoplasm {
 - Virus binding and internalization*
 - Uncoating*
 - PIC translocation*
- nucleus {
 - Transcription and replication***
- cytoplasm {
 - Packaging and assembly*
 - Maturation and release*

The TBEV life cycle

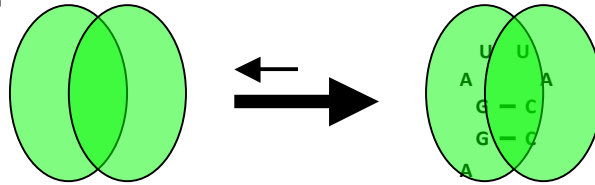
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 - Translation and polyprotein processing*
 - Transcription and replication***
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The MS2 RNA-tagging method

Bertrand/Singer

MS2-GFP

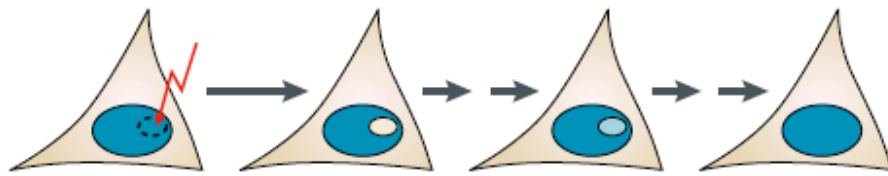


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A - U

RNA

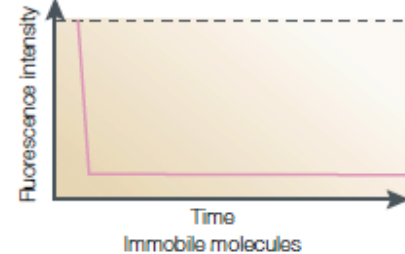
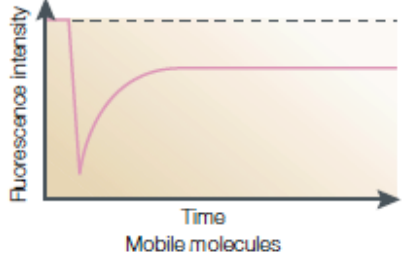
FRAP

Array of MS2 binding sites

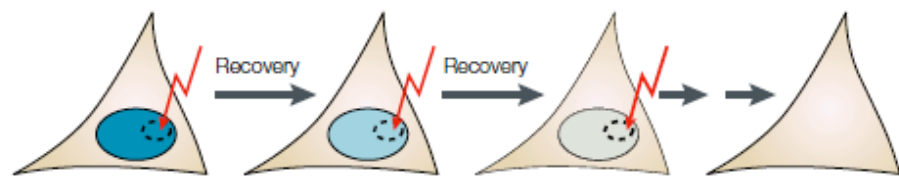


Bleach pulse

Measure influx of labelled protein into bleached area

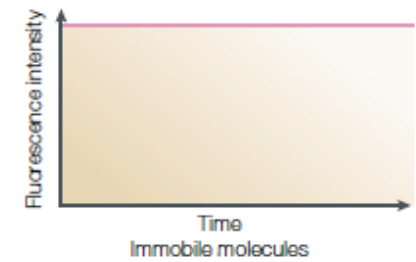
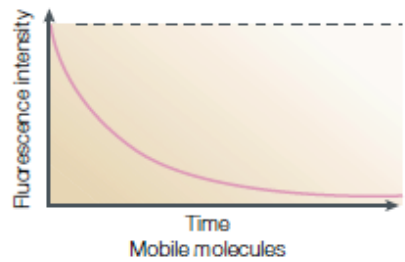


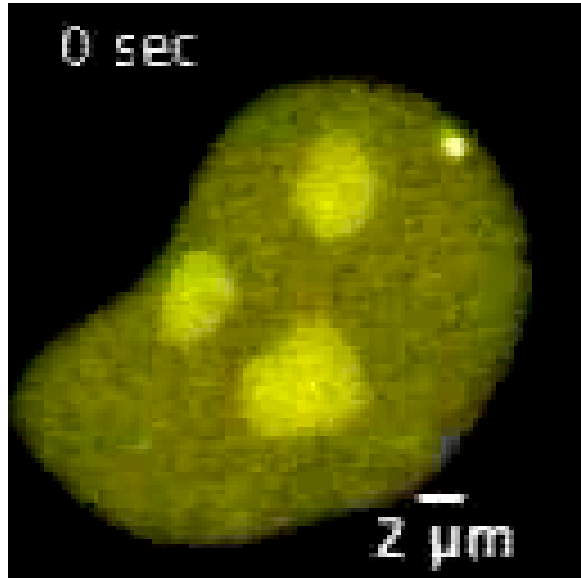
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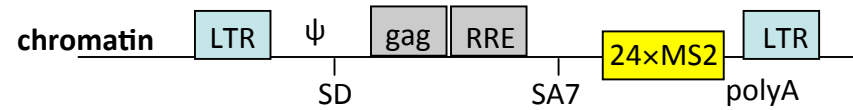
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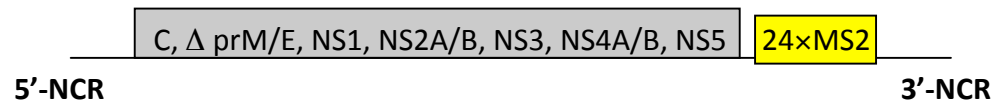
HIV-1 RNA dynamics



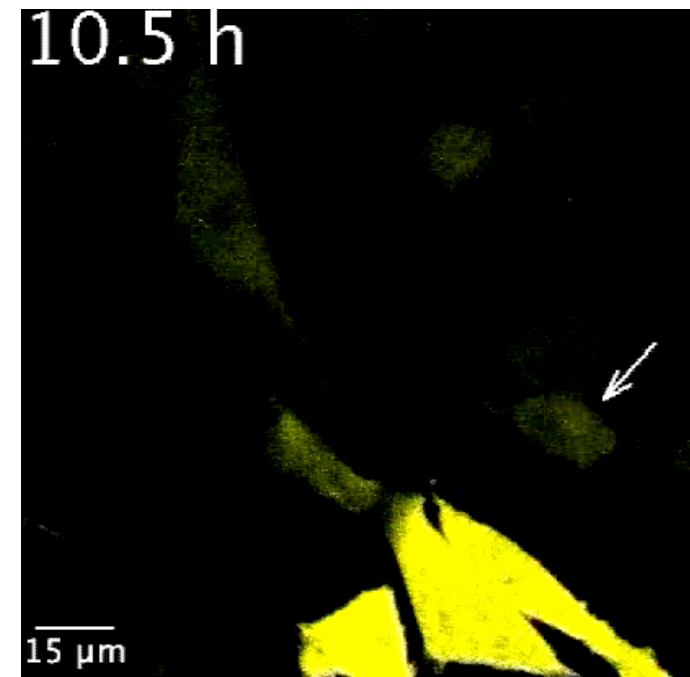
- kinetic analysis of RNA polymerase II transcription rates;
(Boireau et al. JCB 2007)

- kinetic analysis of viral/host factors to the transcription site;
(Molle et al. Retrovirology 2007)

TBEV RNA dynamics



- kinetic analysis of TBEV RNA replication;
(Miorin et al. Virology, 2008; Hoenninger et al. Virology, 2008)



Functional organization of the nucleus in 4D



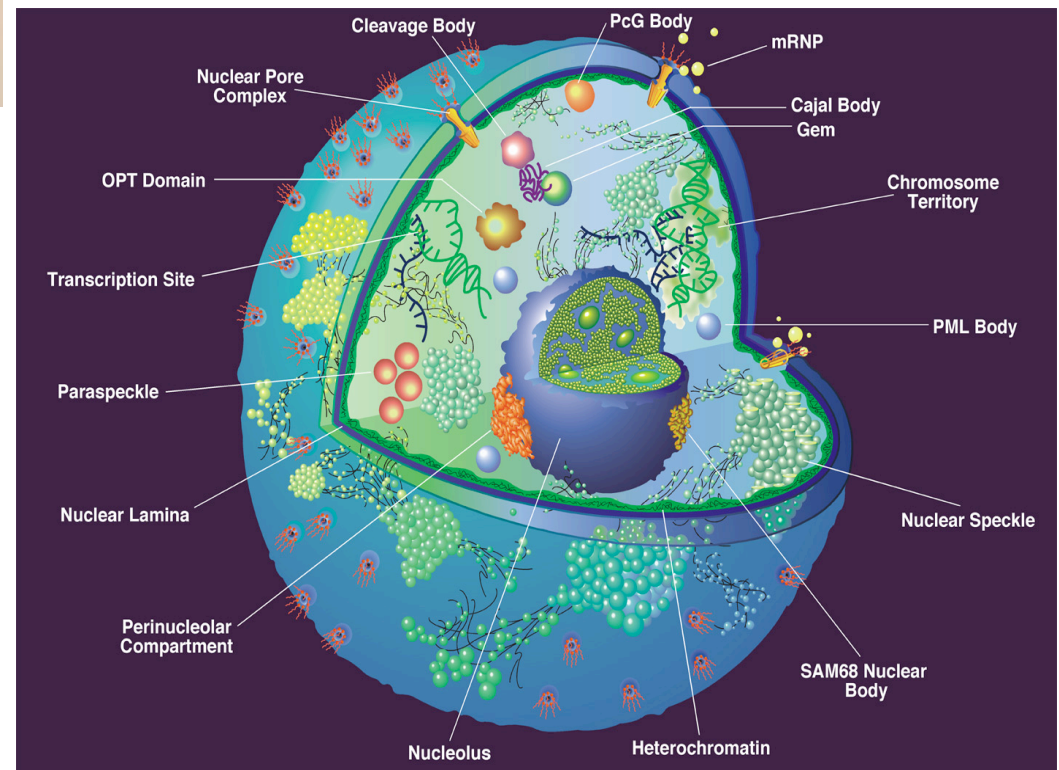
The 'bowl of spaghetti with meatballs' model

A dated view of the nucleus: chromatin (spaghetti) is disorganized in the nucleus (bowl) with interspersed organelles not delimited by membranes like the nucleolus, speckles, PML bodies, Cajal bodies etc (meatballs)...

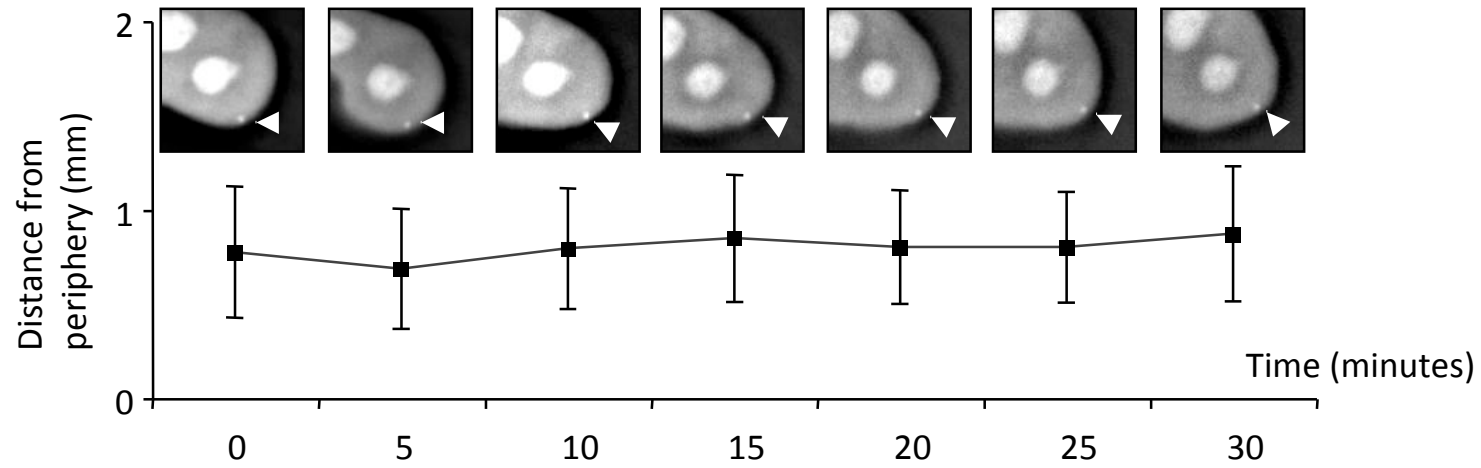
The nucleus is well organized in 4D

- Chromatin occupy specific positions (chromosome territories);
- Heterochromatin is more peripheral, euchromatin more central;
- Active genes loop out for activity;
- Nuclear structures are dynamically assembled for a specific function;

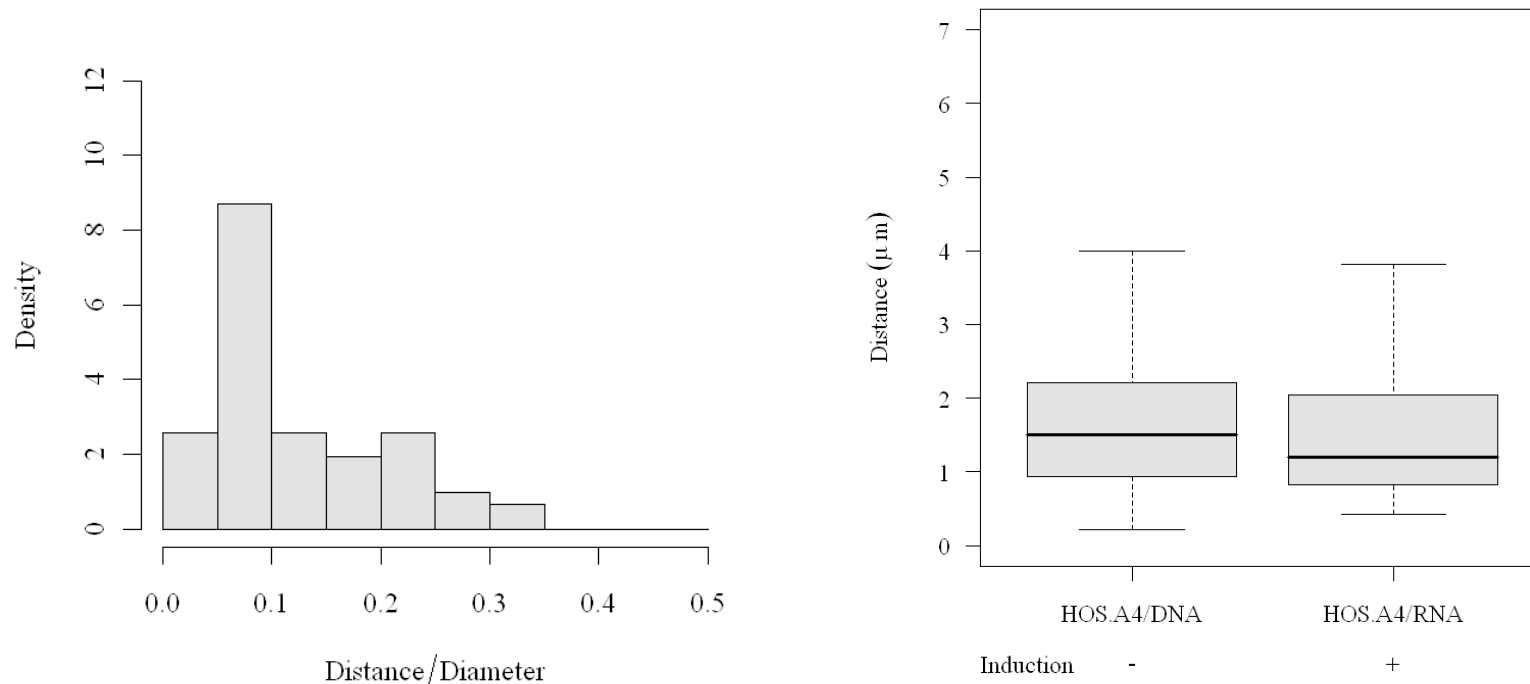
... 4D organization is functionally relevant.



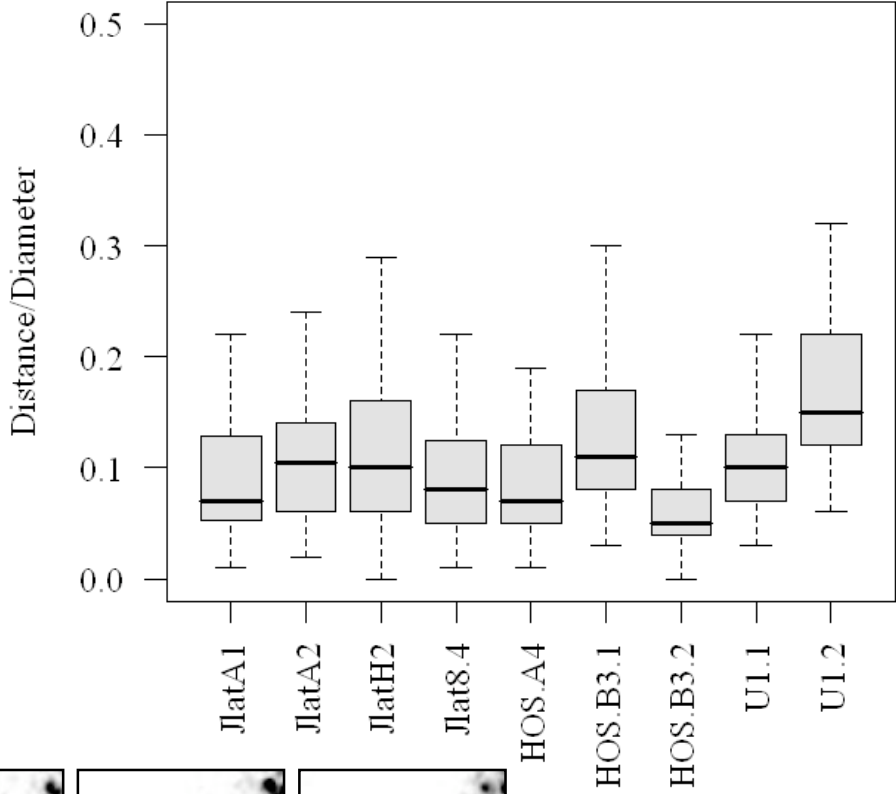
Detection of nascent HIV-1 RNA in living HOS_A4



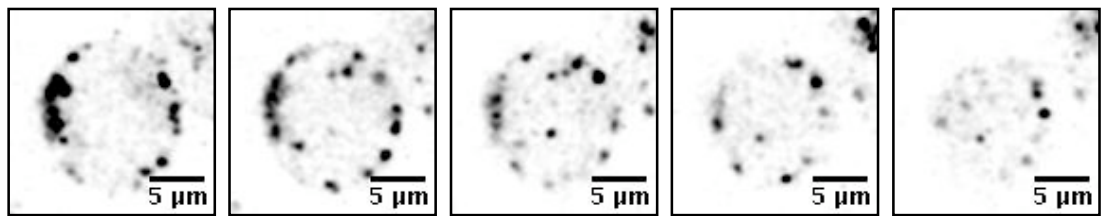
Detection of proviral HIV-1 DNA in HOS_A4 by ISH



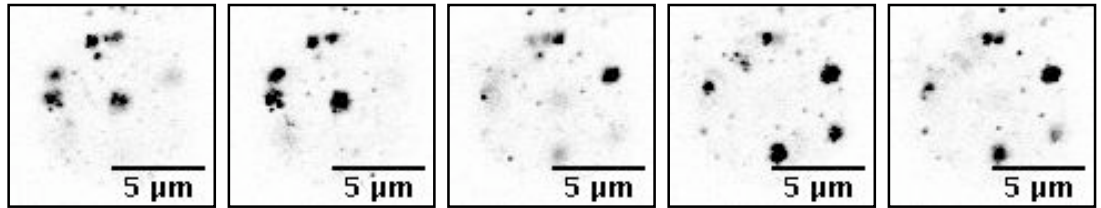
Localization to the nuclear periphery of the integrated provirus in various cell lines used to study HIV-1 post-integration latency



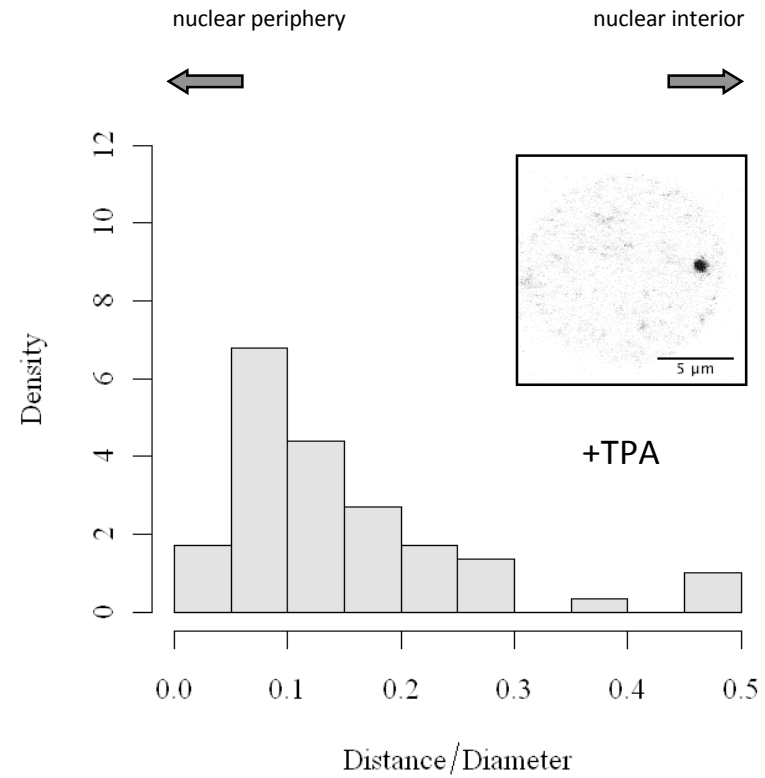
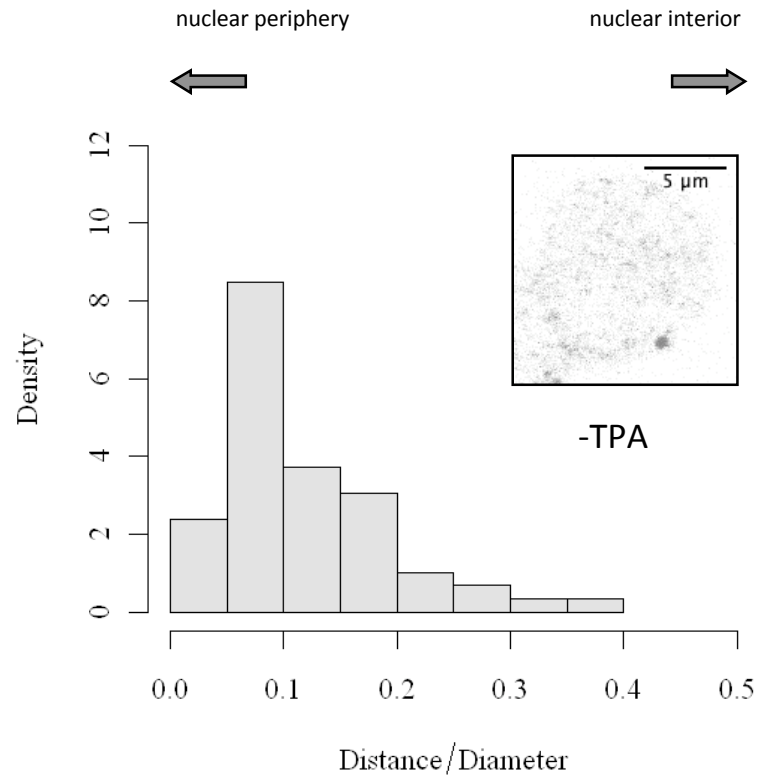
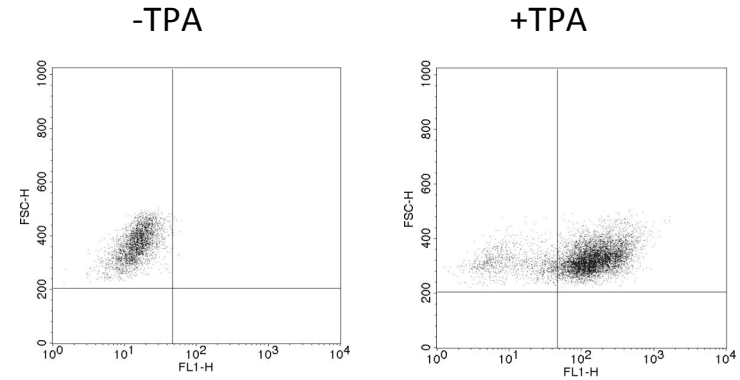
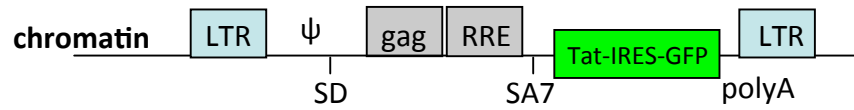
pan-a-satellite repeats probe (J-LatA1 z-stacks)



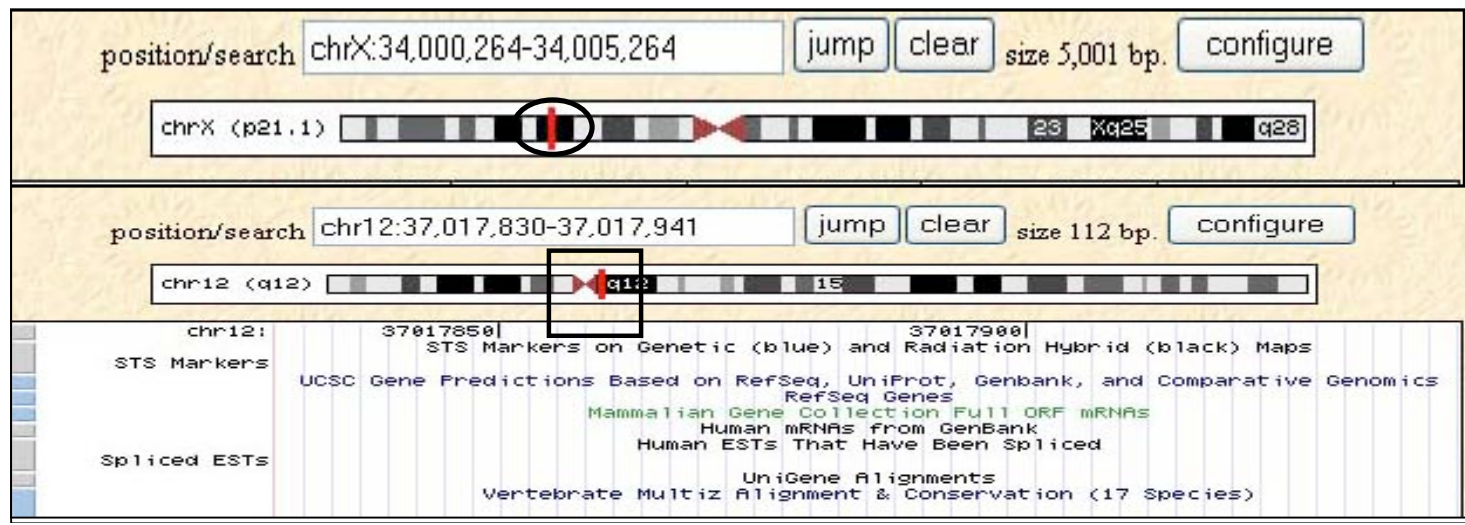
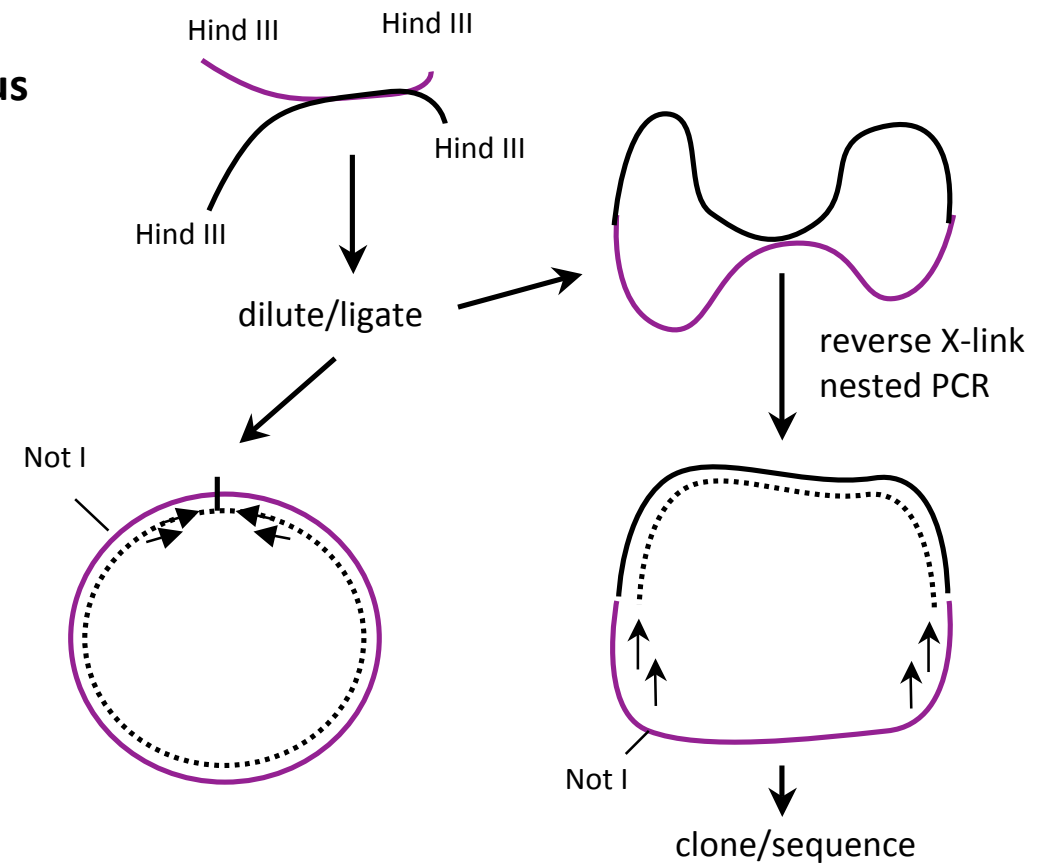
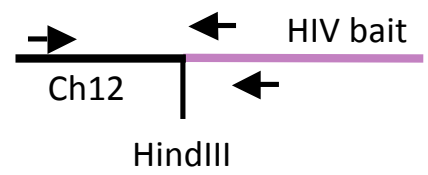
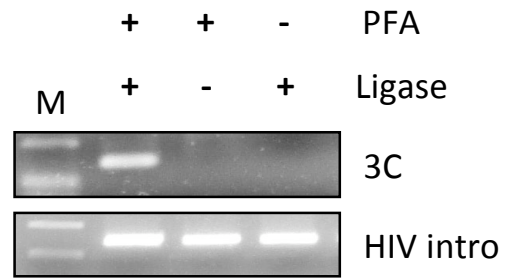
IF with the repressive marker H4K20me3 (J-LatA1 z-stacks)



The J-LatA1 model



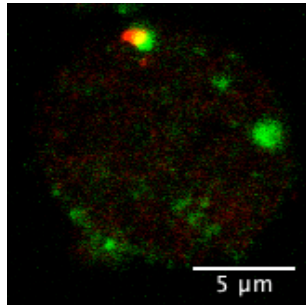
Circular Chromosome Conformation Capture (4C) analysis of the HIV-1 provirus identify pericentromeric Ch12q12 association in trans (J-LatA1)



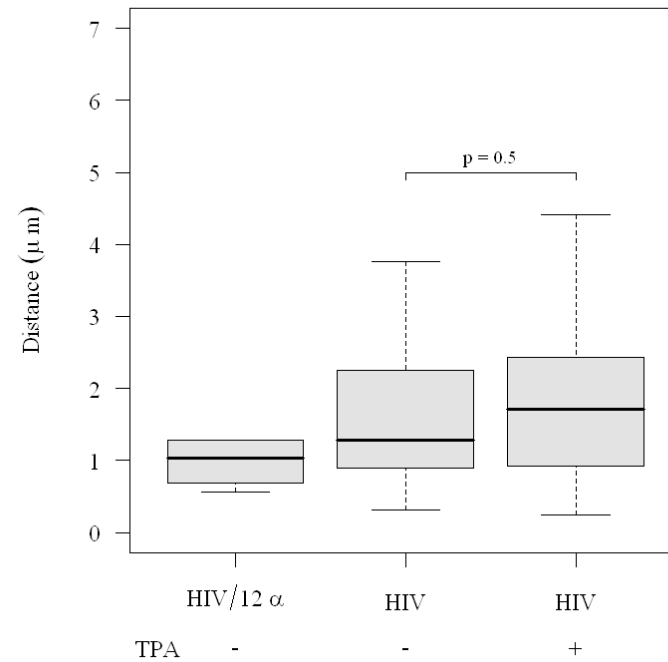
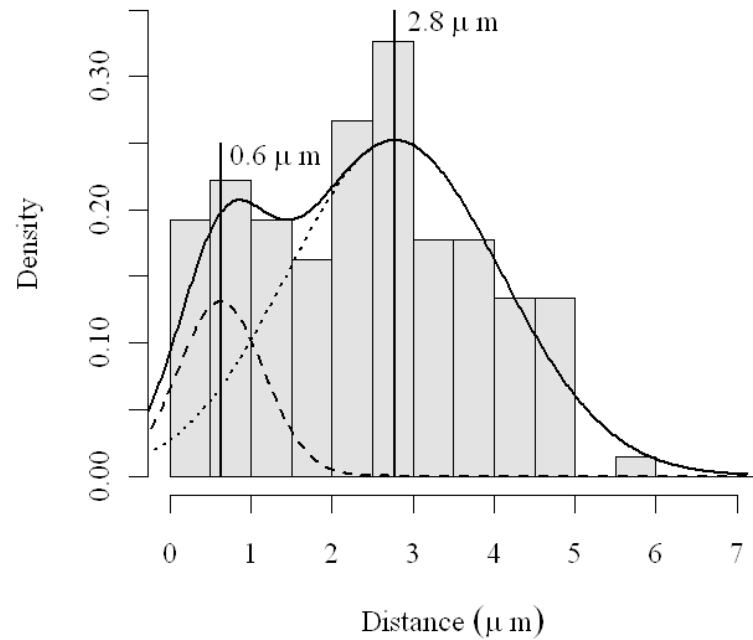
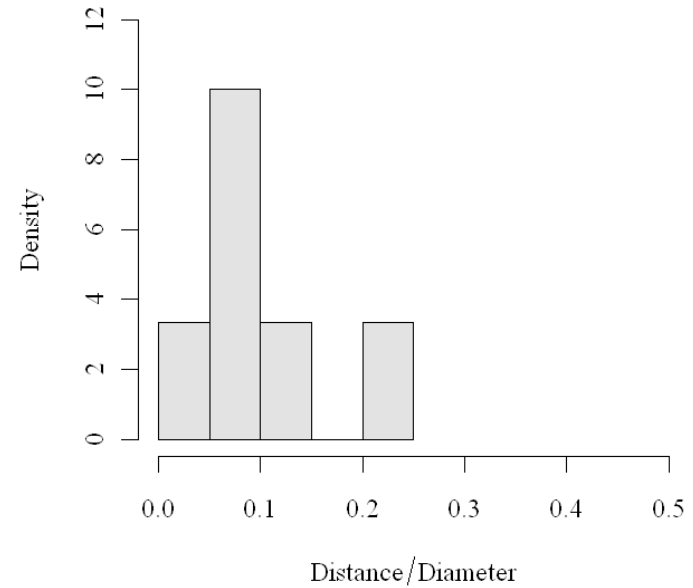
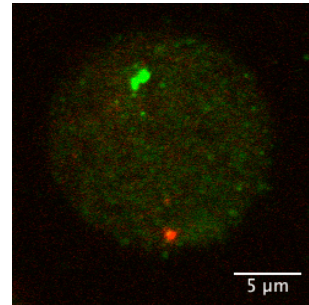
DNA FISH detection of the interaction of ChXp21.1 and Ch12q12 in J-lat A1

Not induced, J-lat A1 (Ch12q12 & ChXp21.1)

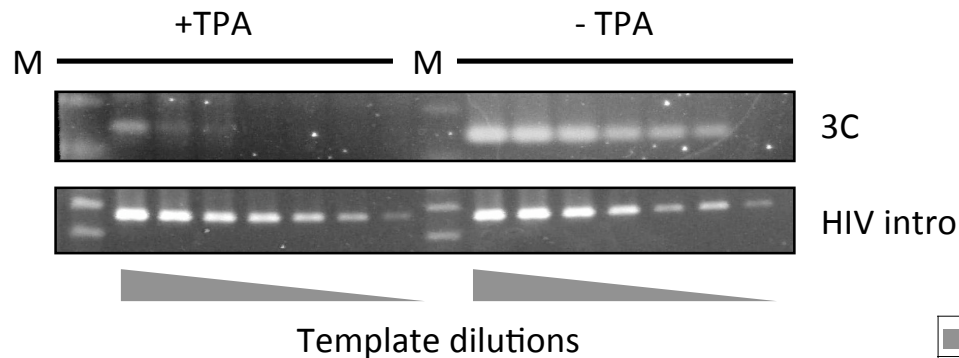
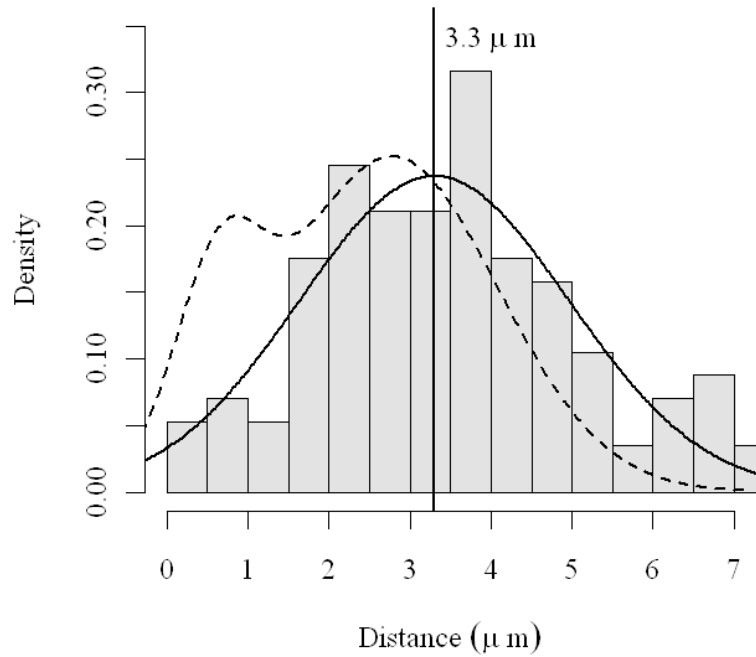
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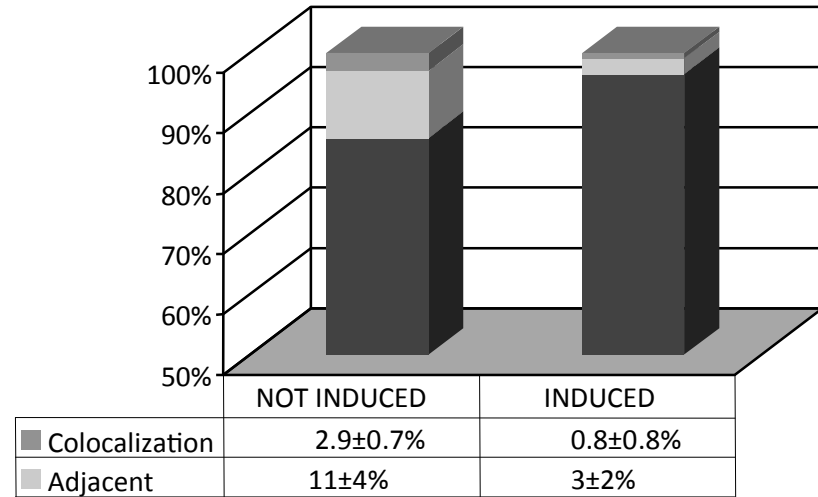
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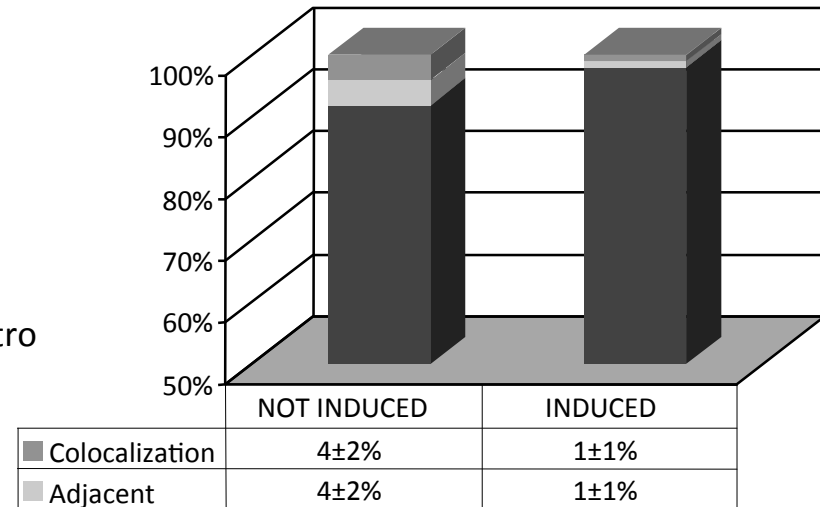
Dissociation of the HIV-1 provirus from the pericentromeric heterochromatin of Ch12q12 upon TPA treatment

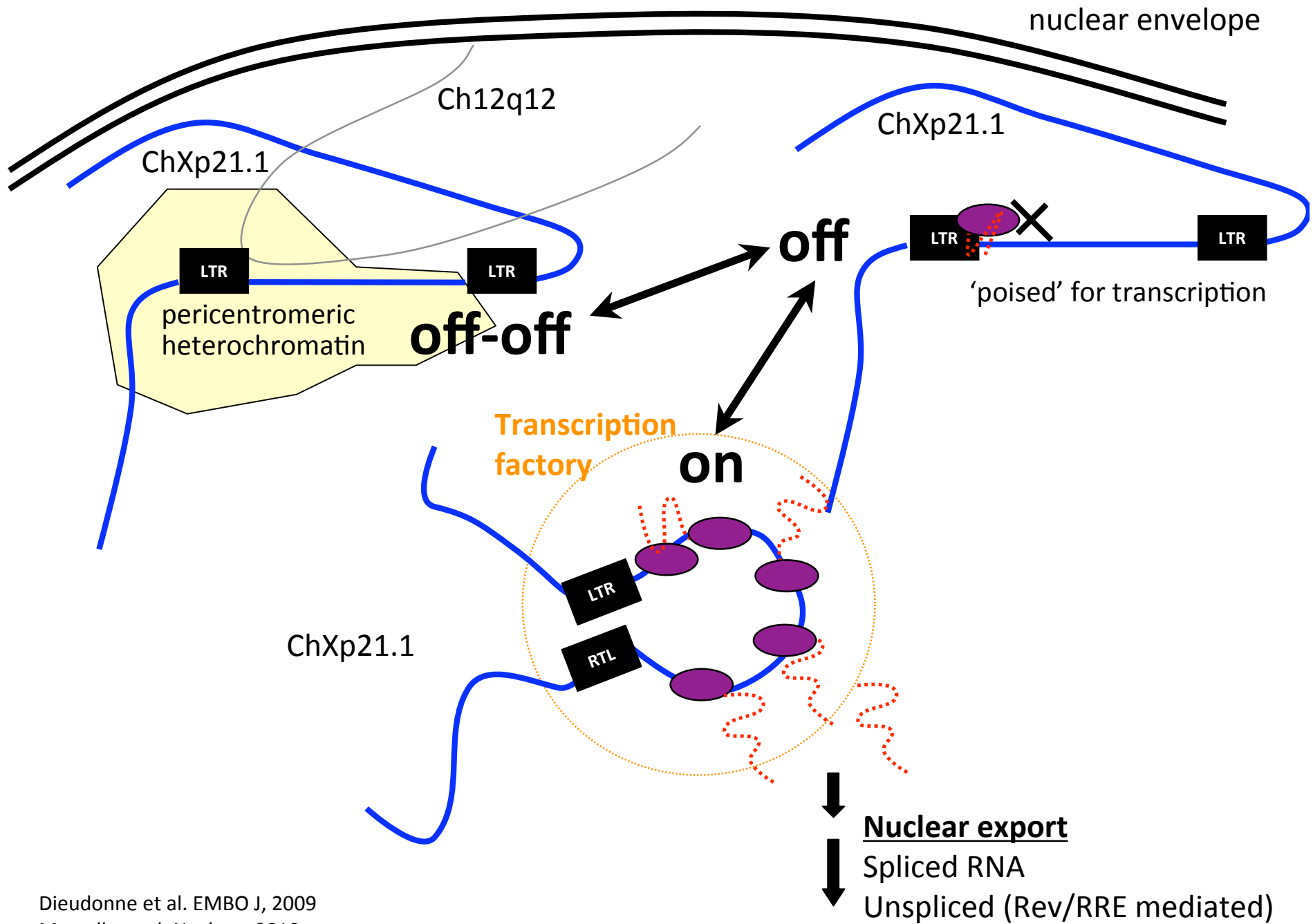


FISH Chr12 + ChrX



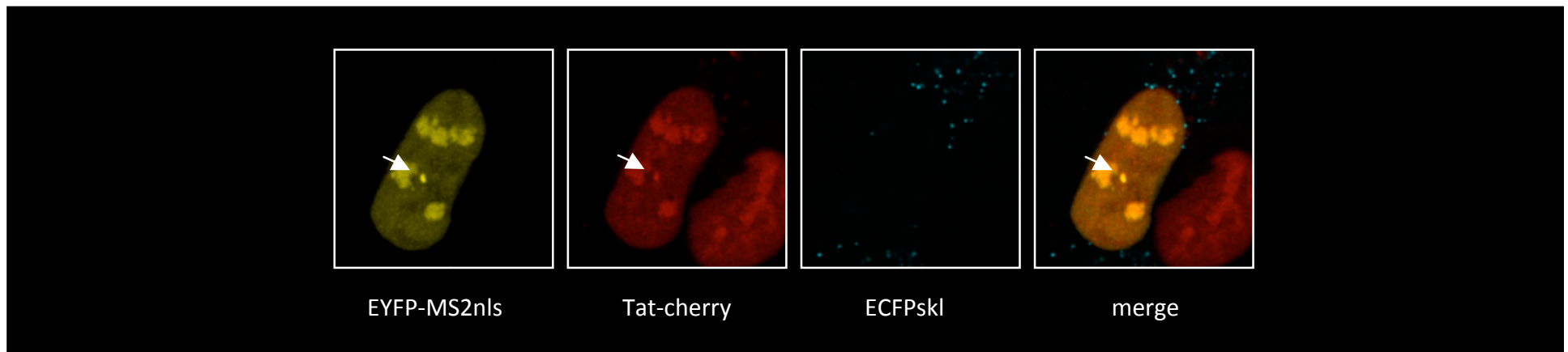
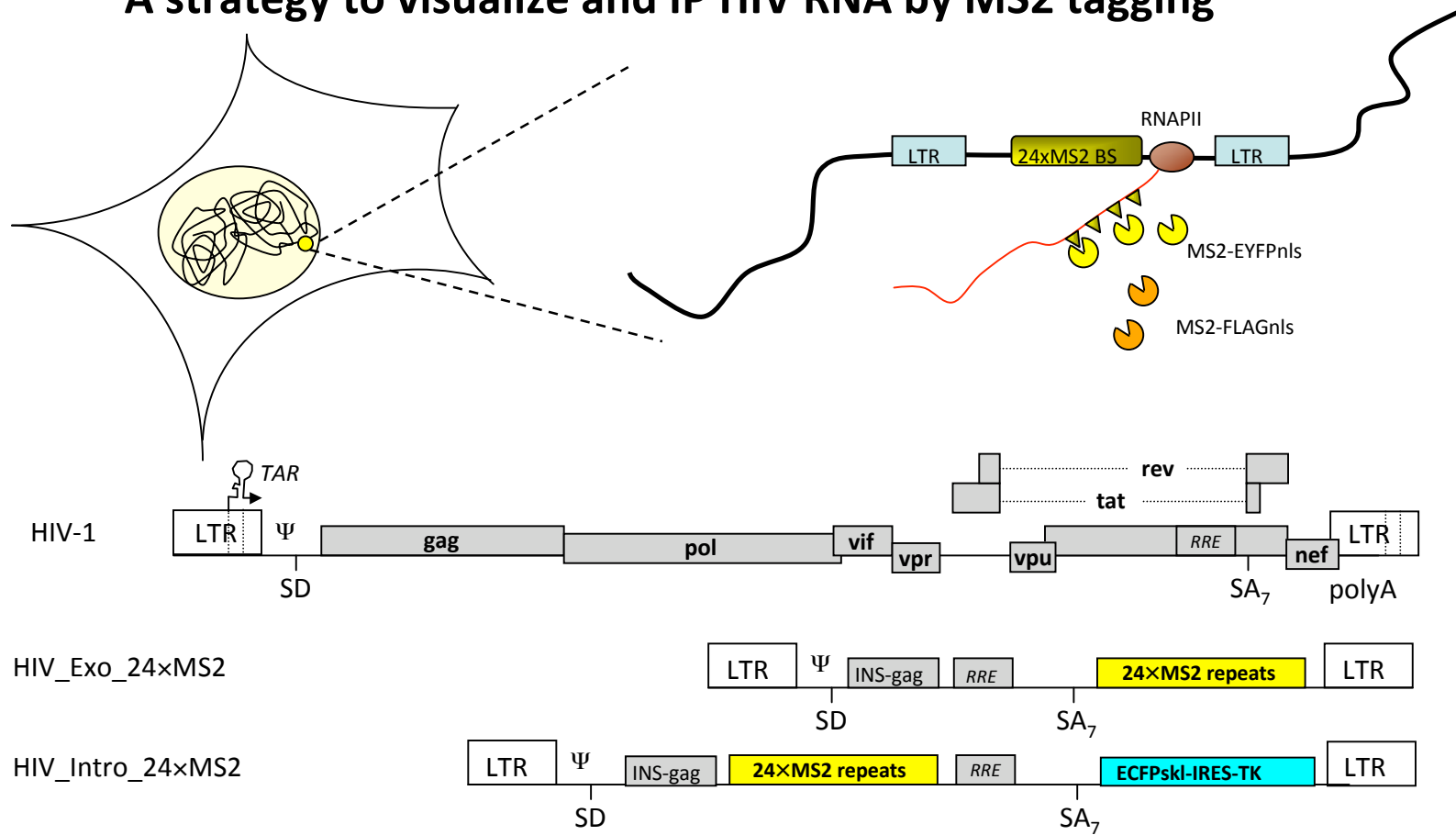
FISH Chr12alpha + HIV





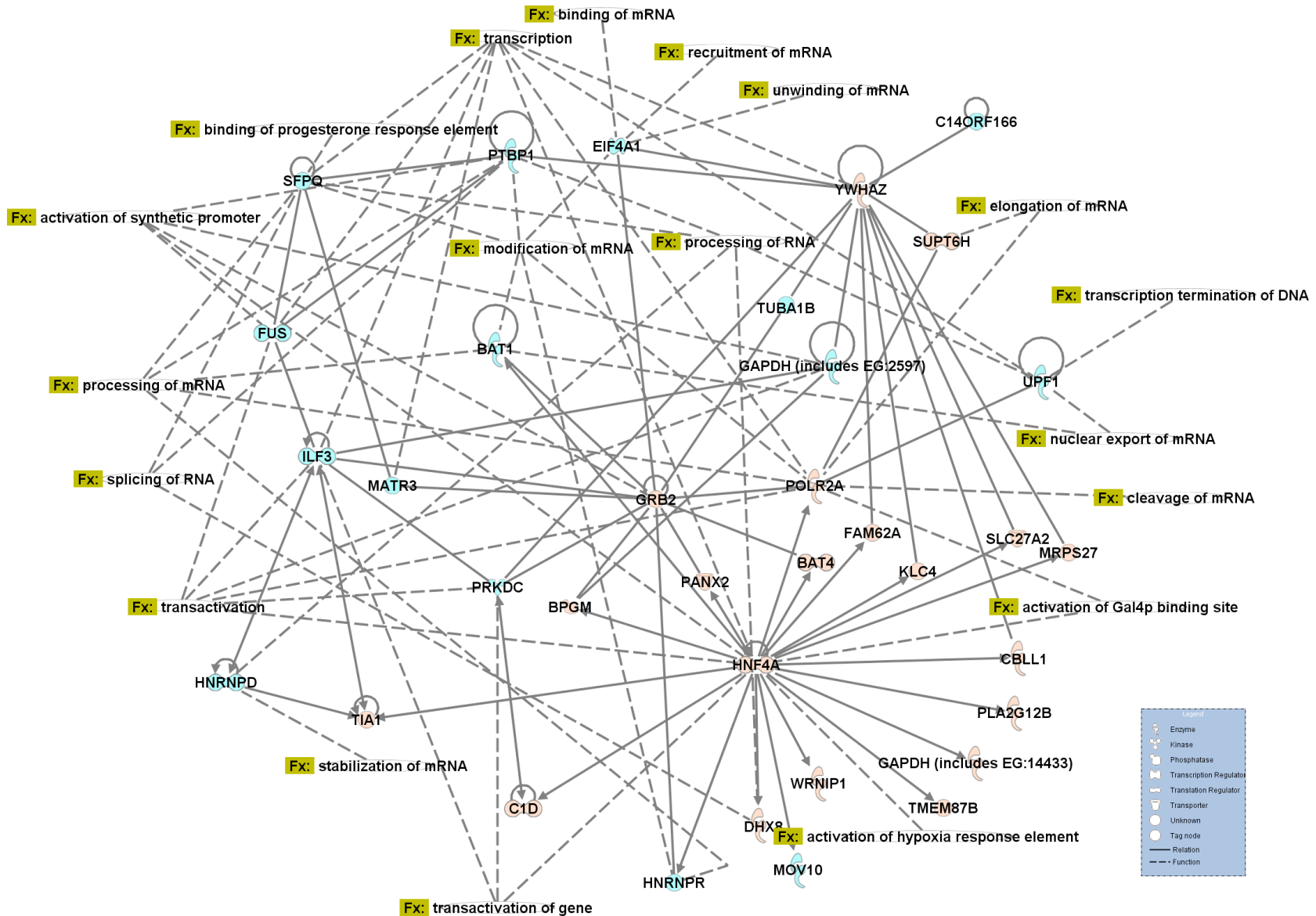
Dieudonne et al. EMBO J, 2009
 Marcello et al. Nucleus, 2010

A strategy to visualize and IP HIV RNA by MS2 tagging

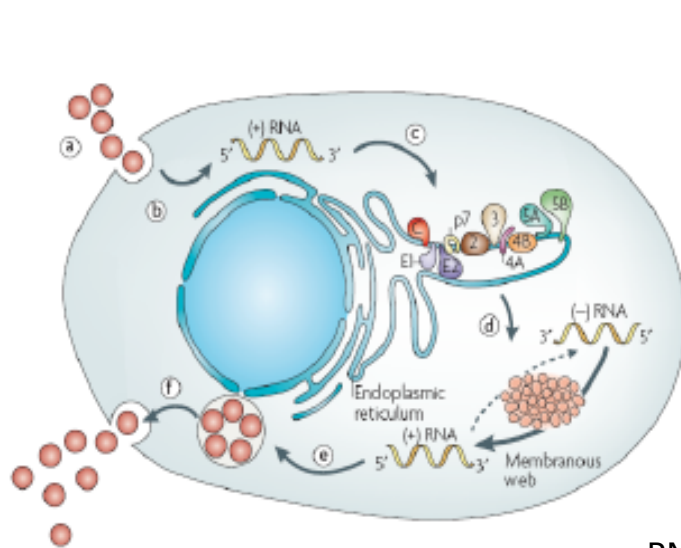


Proteomic analysis of HIV RNA cellular binding factors

Path Designer Network 2



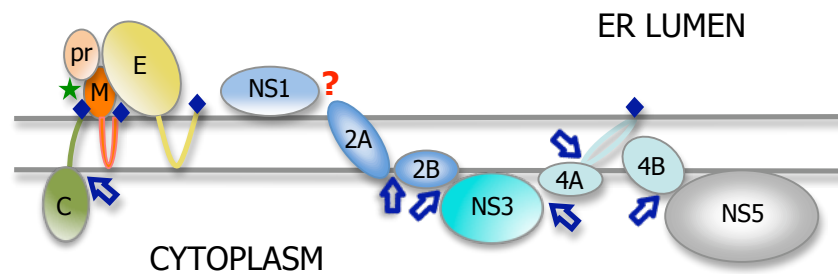
TBEV dynamics in single live cells



- a) Virus binding and internalization
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ssRNA(+) _ single ORF

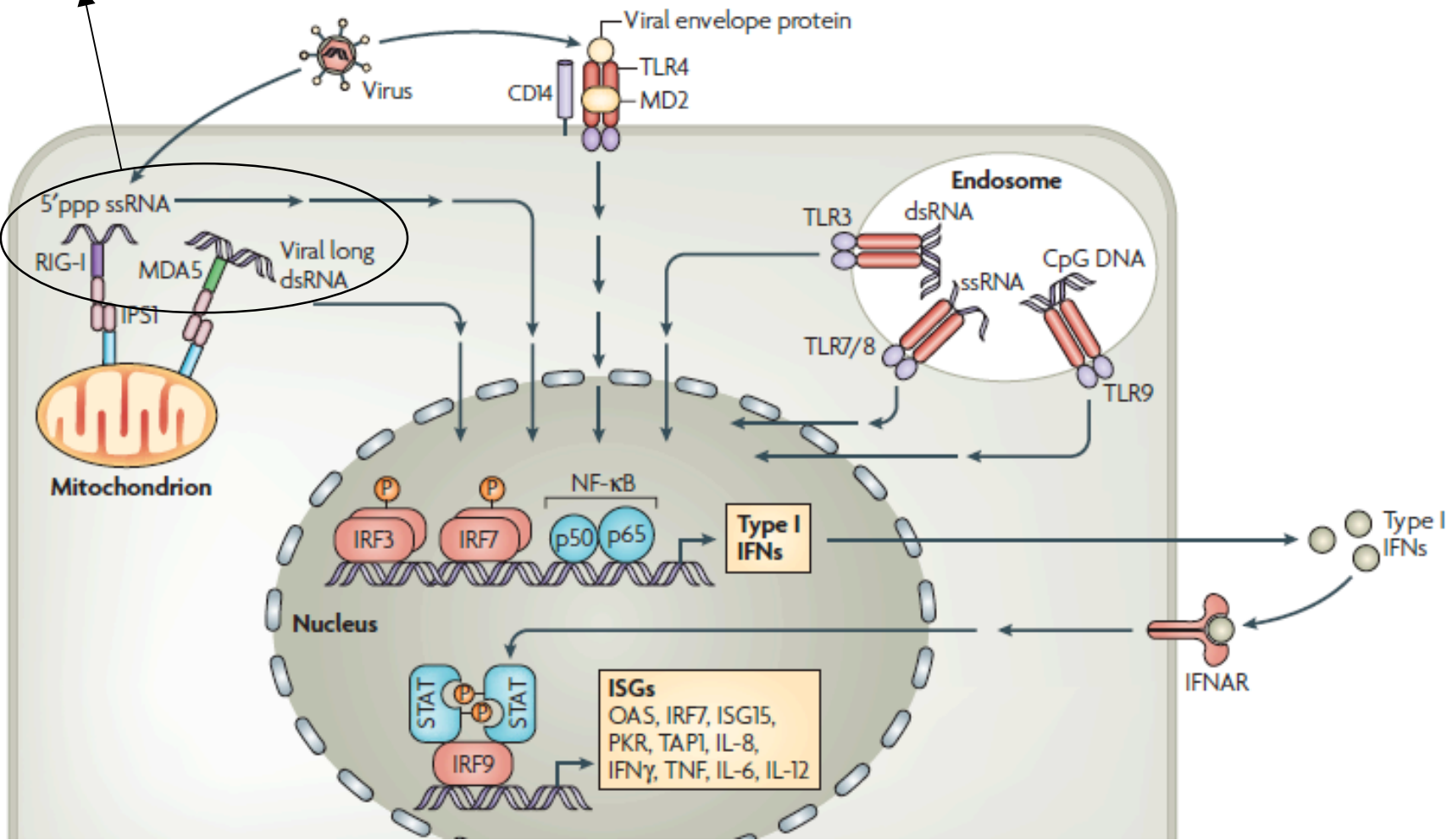
TRANSLATION
&
POLYPROTEIN PROCESSING



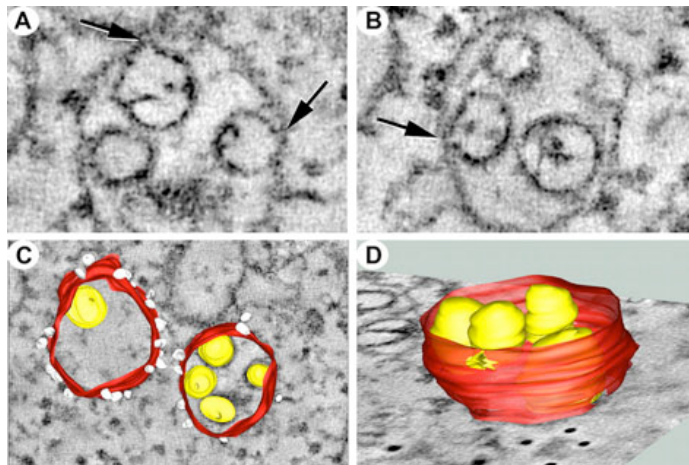
↑ NS3 protease
 ◆ Host signalase
 ★ Golgi protease

RLR-mediated signal transduction

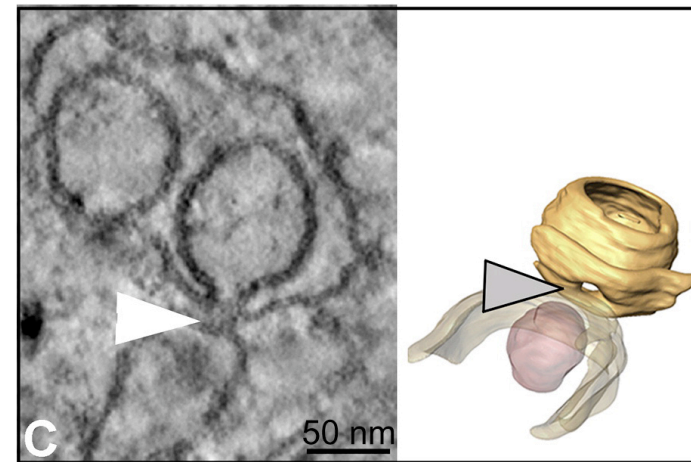
Sequestering viral RNA from RLR detection



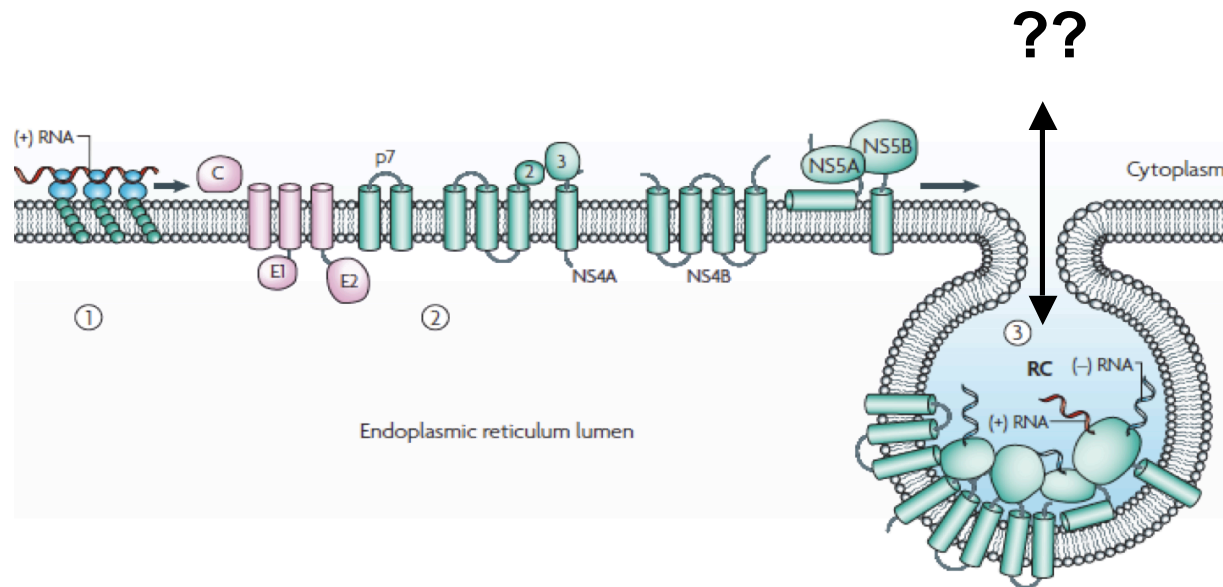
Flaviviruses replicate in vesicles



WNV ER vesicles (Gillespie JVI 2010)



DENV ER vesicles (Welsch CH&M 2010)



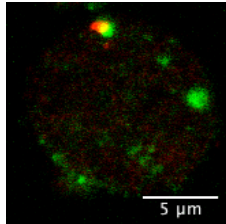
Conclusions (1): HIV-1

Visualization of HIV-1 RNA



- We generated a robust system to track HIV-1 RNA in living cells
- We measured the rate of transcribing RNAPII in living cells
- We analysed the dynamic recruitment of factors at the HIV-1 transcription site in living cells

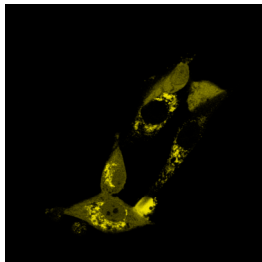
Positional control of HIV-1 transcription in 4D



- The HIV-1 provirus is associated to the nuclear periphery in latent cells
- Transcriptional activation of the provirus does not affect its sub-nuclear localization
- Transcriptional silencing is an effect with many causes

Conclusions (2): TBEV

Visualization of TBEV RNA



- We generated a robust system to track flavivirus RNA in living cells
- We characterized TBEV replication sites
- We define the sub-cellular localization of TBEV replicated RNA

The Molecular Virology lab at the ICGEB

<http://www.icgeb.org/molecular-virology.html>



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