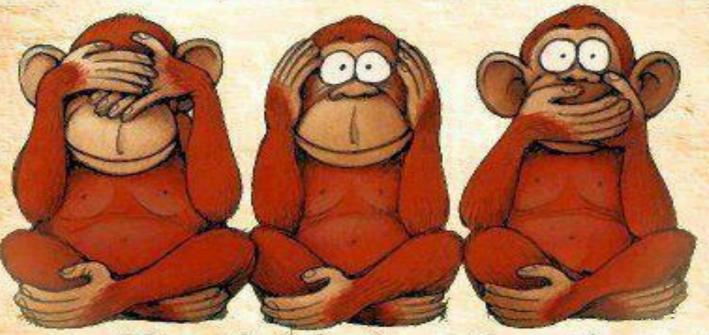
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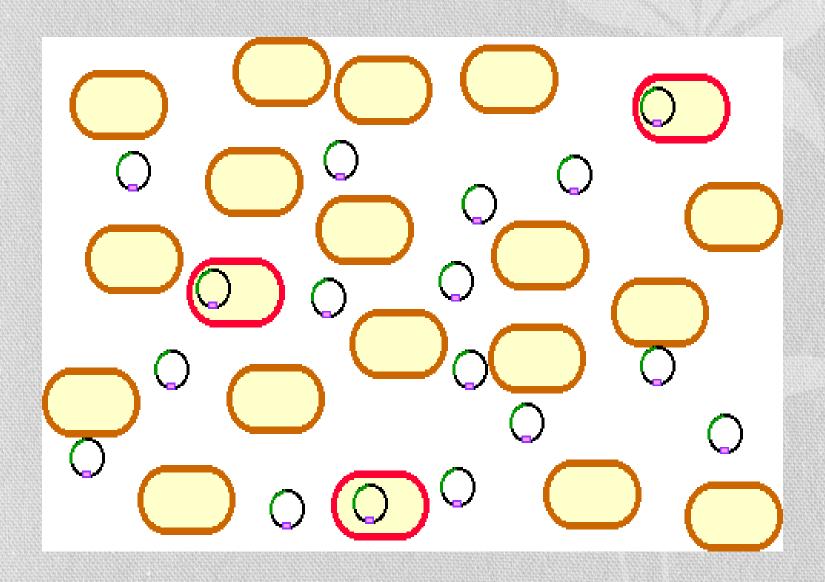


# DETECTION OF YOUR CLONING AND PICK UP YOUR RIGHT CLONE

#### Introduction

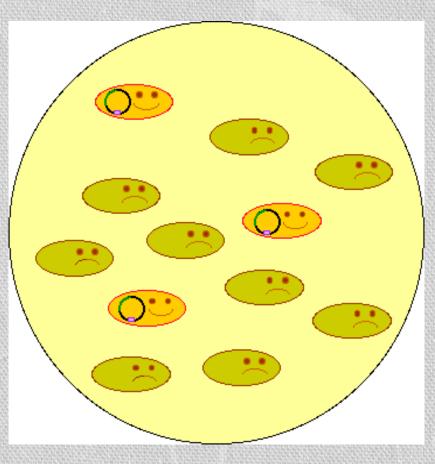
- Once recombinant plasmid is constructed, it is introduced into recipient cells.
- Introduction of recombinant DNA into recipient cells is called transformation: introduction of foreign DNA changes (transforms) properties of the organism.
- Special treatment makes cells competent capable of accepting foreign DNA.
- > Usually, these treatments make cell membrane more permeable for a DNA molecule.
- When competent cells are mixed with DNA some cells (actually, very few) become transformed.

# Competent cells transformation

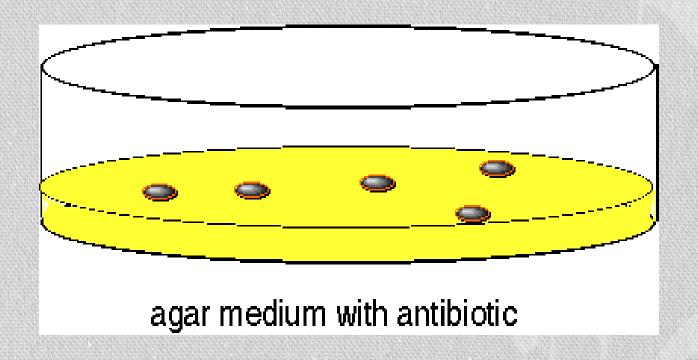


# Competent cells culture:

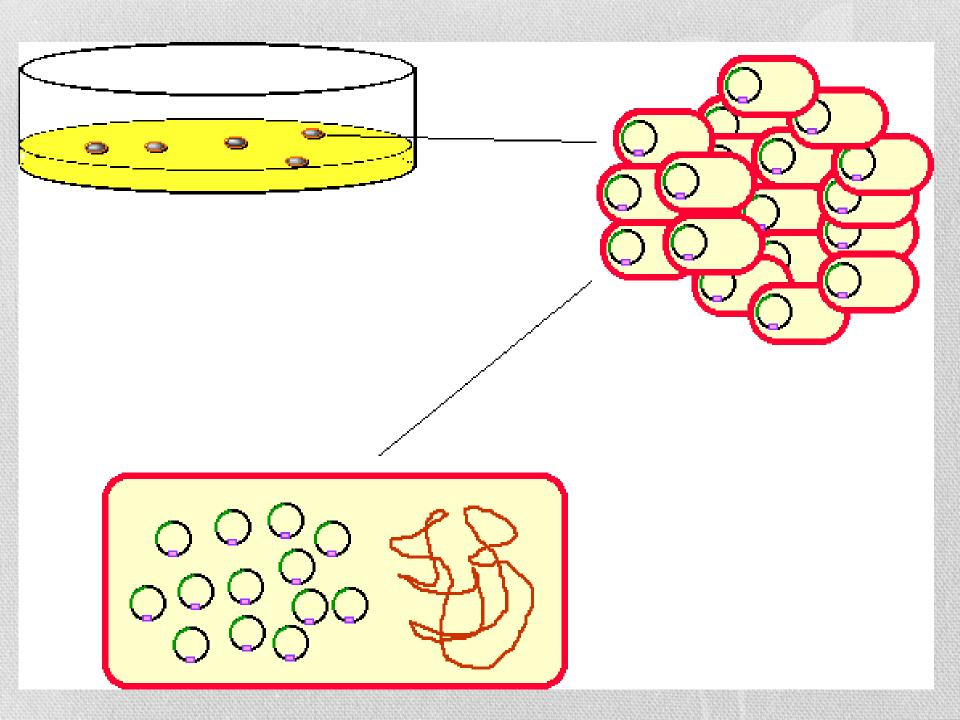
After transformation, cells are plated onto agar medium that contains selective antibiotic: only transformed cells, will survive and form colonies. All the untransformed cells will die.



In each colony formed on the agar plate, all cells are descendants of one transformed cell.



All cells in the clone are genetically identical and contain the same recombinant vector



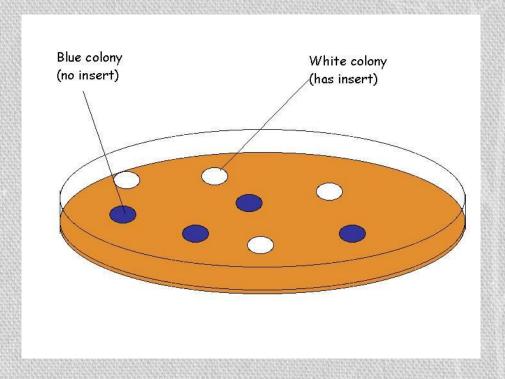
#### How to Find and Pick Up the Right Clone:

The most common methods include:

- 1. Phenotypic screening.
- 2. Screening with antibodies.
- 3. DNA hybridization.

# Phenotypic screening

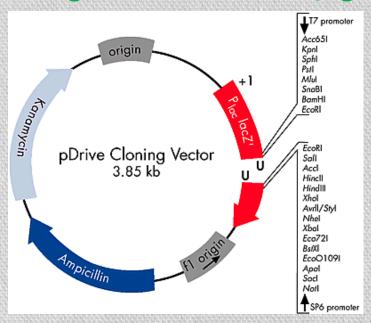
Phenotypic screening is used when cloned gene is expressed and changes properties of the cell in an "obvious way". E.g. Blue-White Screening



#### **Blue-White Screening**

E.coli strain expresses of N-terminally deleted β-galactosidase protein. pDrive expresses LacZ α-peptide  $\rightarrow$  Only together, they provide β-galactosidase activity (α-complementation).

X-gal is a colourless analog of lactose cleaved by  $\beta$ -galactosidase to form a bright blue insoluble pigment.





- ➤ No insert intact lacZ → Blue
- ➤ PCR product disrupted lacZ → White

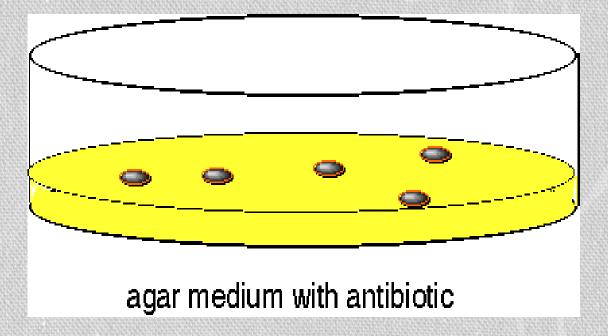
### **BLUE – WHITE SCEENING**



#### Screening with antibodies

Screening with antibodies is used when cloned gene is expressed and antibodies recognizing the encoded protein are available

→ (Antibiotic Resistance).

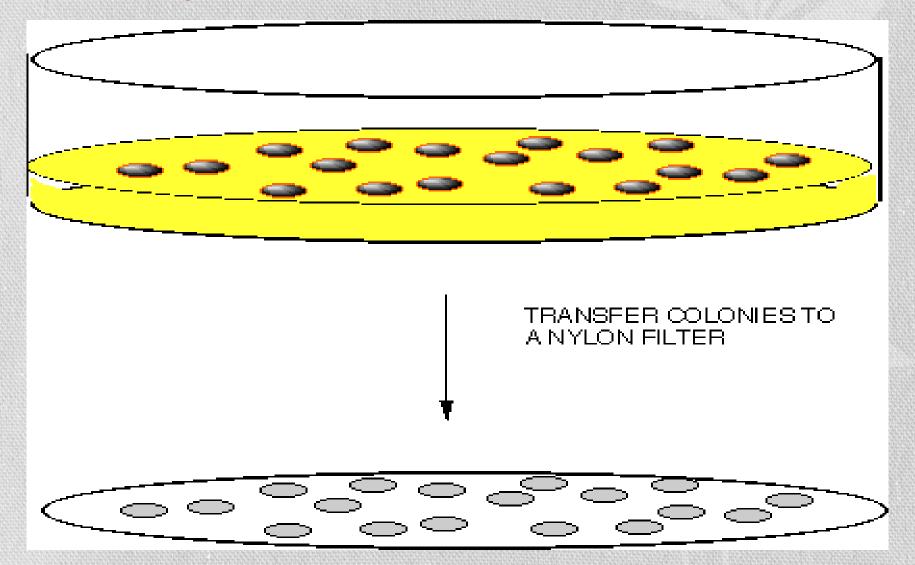


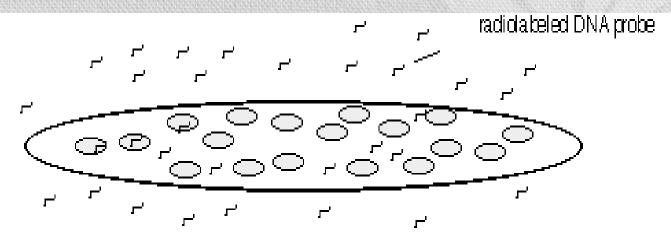
#### Confirmation

By using PCR:

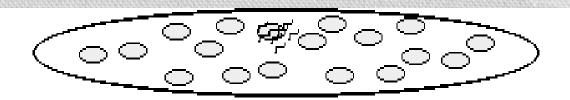
The same primer to detect the insert

Specific primer for vector detection

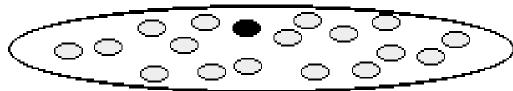




- Synthesize a DNA fragment complementary to any strand of "our" gene.
- Radiolabel the probe.
- Lyse cells on the filter and denature DNA.
- Hybridize the probe with the filter.
- Wash out excess of the probe.



Only the colony that contains plasmids with "our gene" will hybridize with the probe and become radiolabeled.



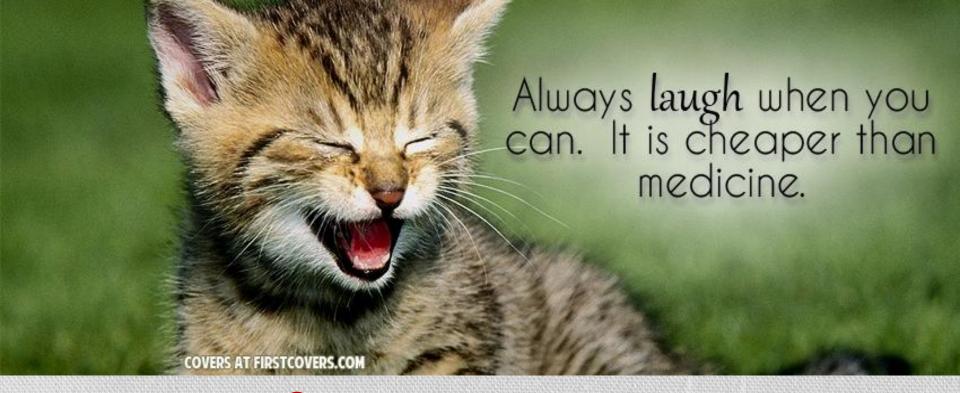
Expose the filter to the X-ray film: a black spot will appear on the place of a colony with "our gene".

Master plate X-ray film

Find the colony on the master plate that contains the cloned gene.

If two single stranded DNA molecules have complementary nucleotide sequences they can hybridize: form a stable double stranded complex

3'CTGTCAGTCAGTCA 5'	
+	
5' GATCGTCGATTACCAAATGCAGTCAGACAGTCAGTCAGTC	
Incubate DNA fragments together	
3'CTGTCAGTCAGTCA 5'               5' GATCGTCGATTACCAAATGCAGTCAGACAGTCAGTCAGTGAGTCCAGTCCCCATTCAG	unstable complex
3 'CTGTCAGTC AGTCAGTC A            5 ' GATCGTCGATTACCAAATGC AGTCAGACAGTC AGTCAGTGAGTCC AGTCCCC ATTCAG	unstable complex
3'CTGTCAGTCAGTCA !              5' GATCGTCGATTACCAAATGCAGTCAGACAGTCAGTCAGTGAGTCCAGTCCCCATTCAG	stable complex



# Thanks a lot

with my Best Regards and My Best wishes

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