

**THERABOT**

# Therapeutic Bacteria Biohybrids for Oncology Treatment

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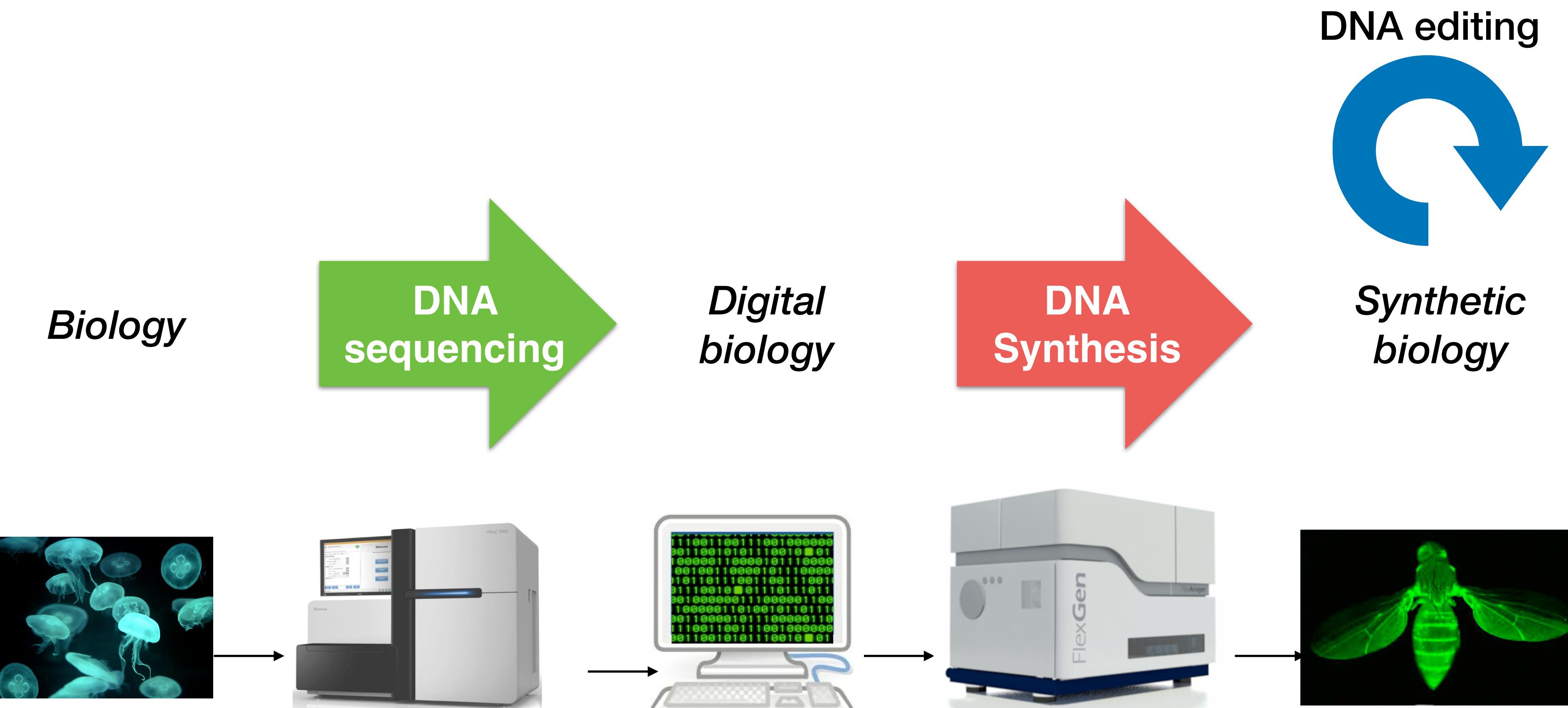
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# Synthetic biology: engineering new biological systems and functions

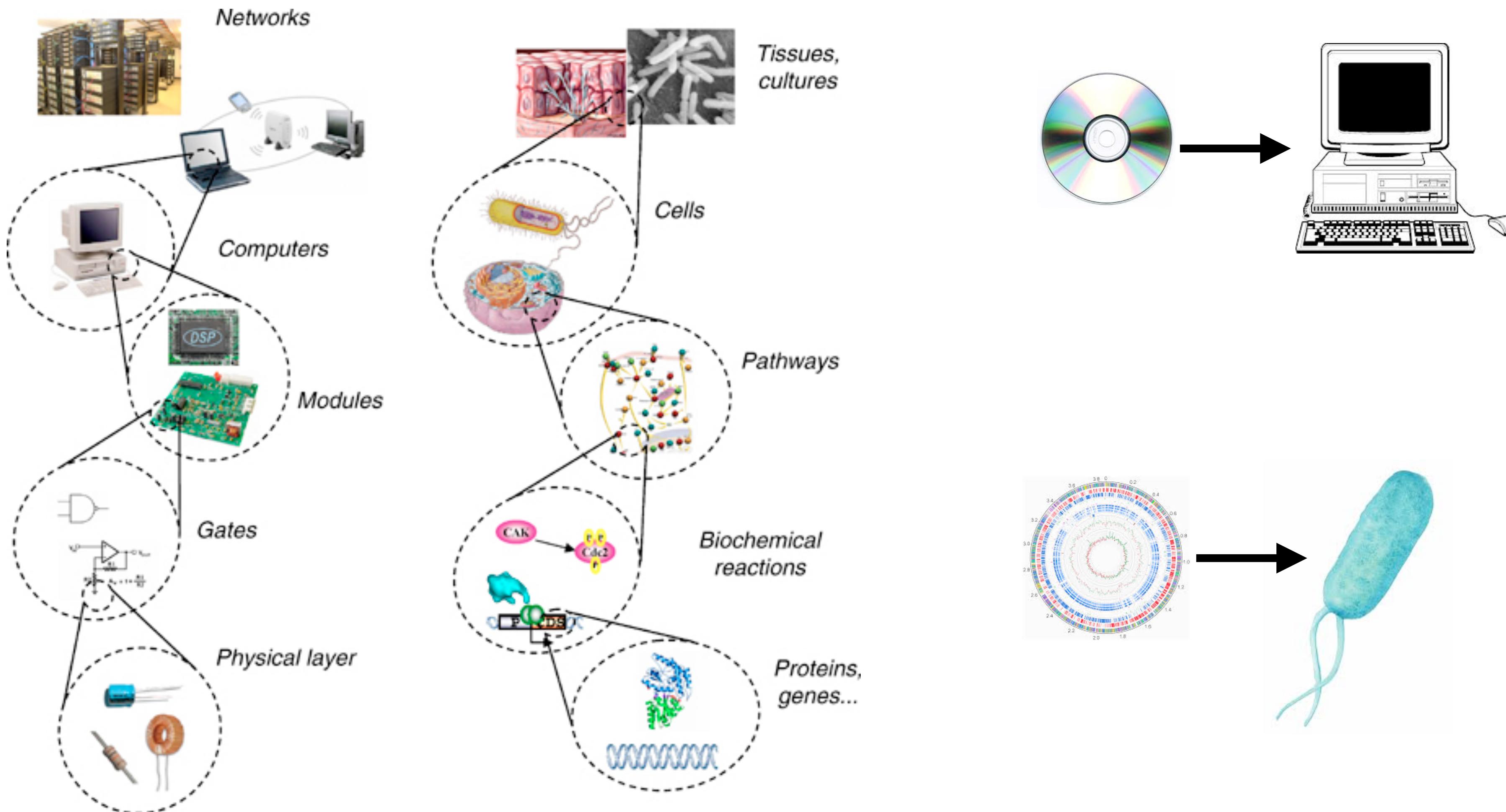
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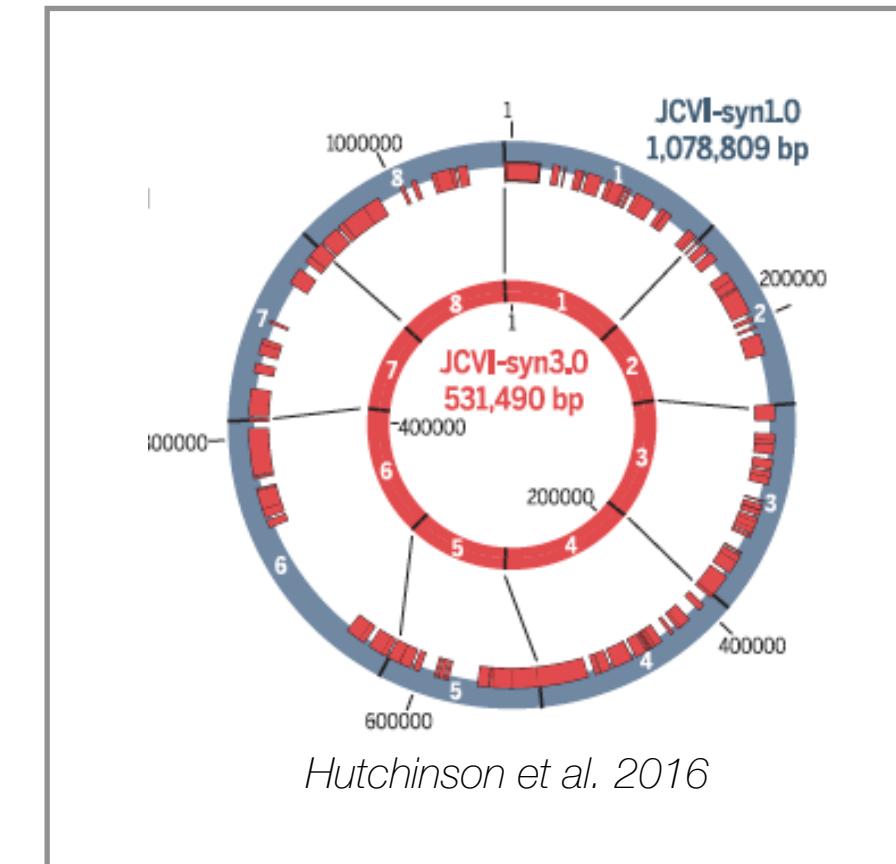
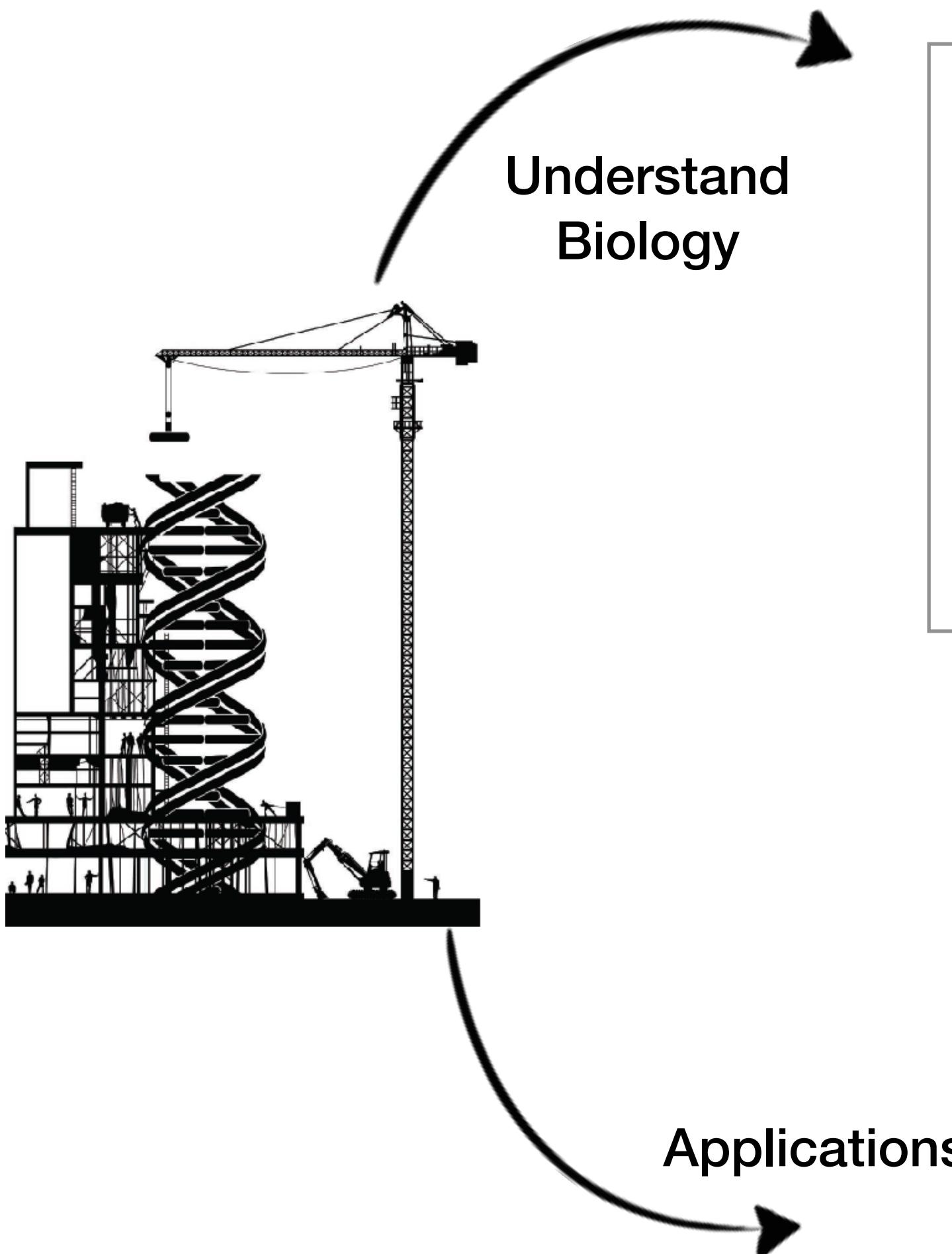
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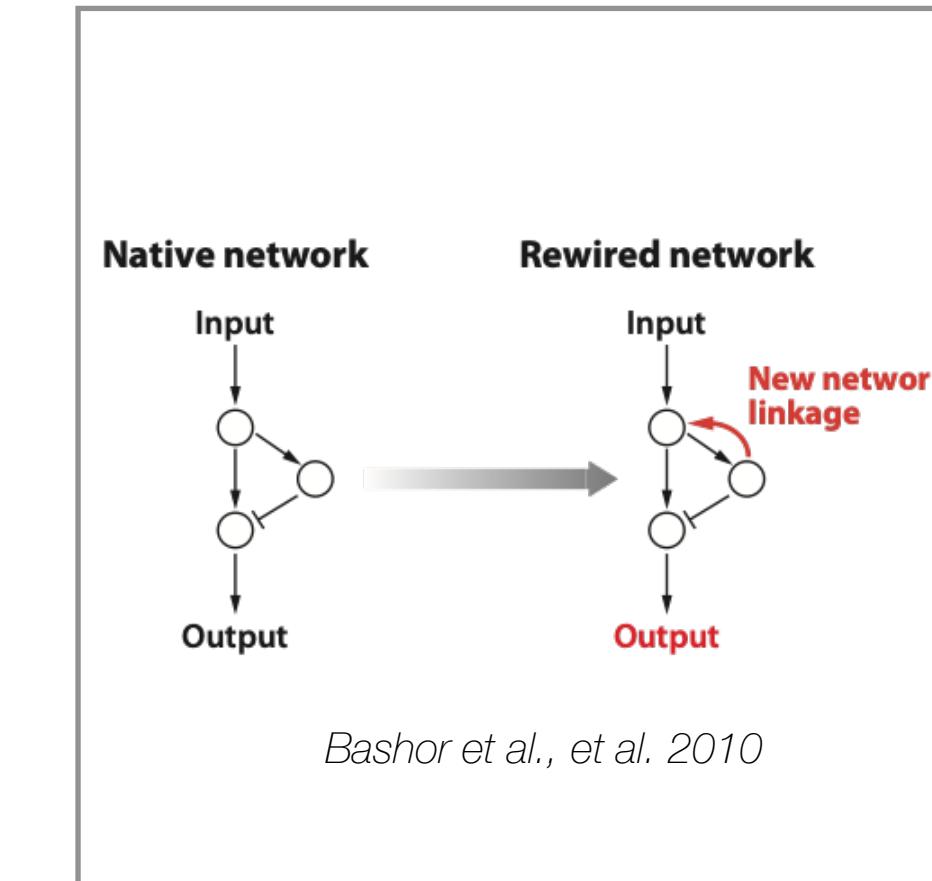
*Inspirations: mature engineering sciences (electronics)*



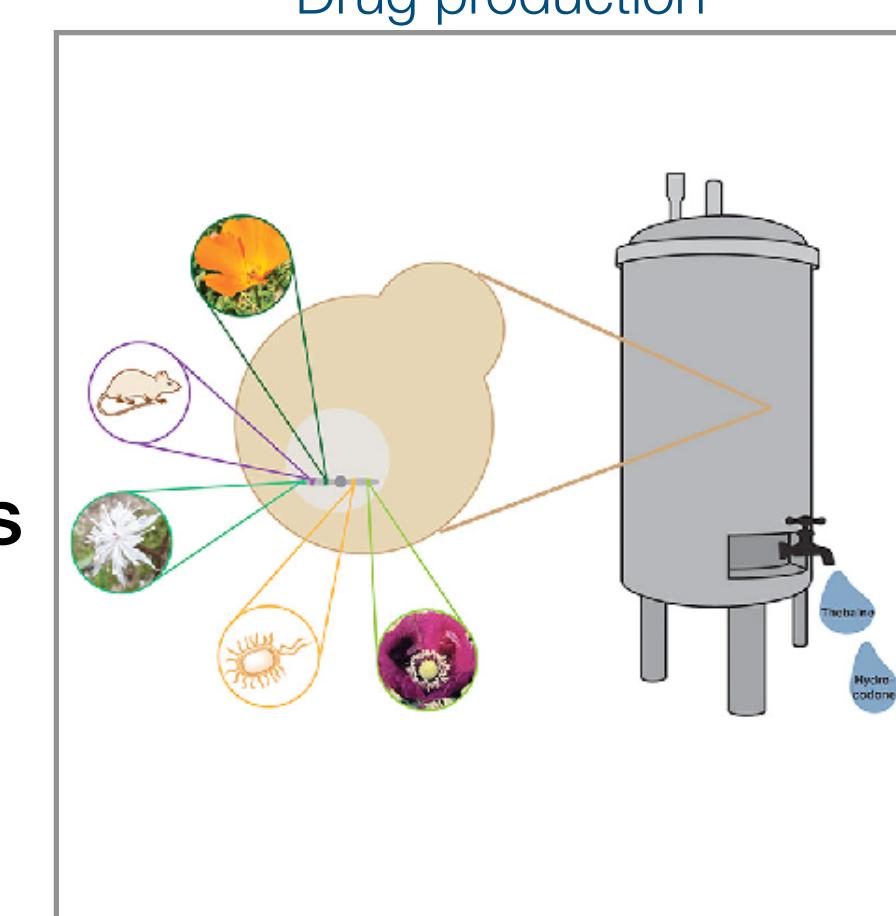
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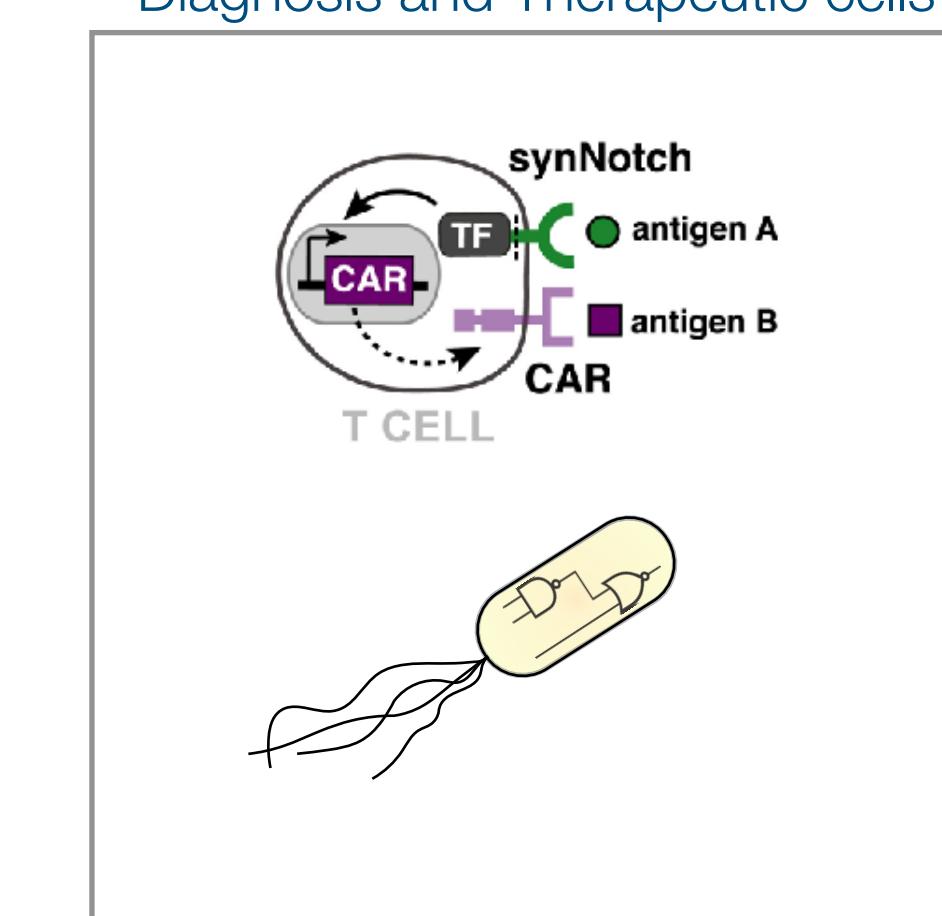
Synthetic genomes



Synthetic signaling

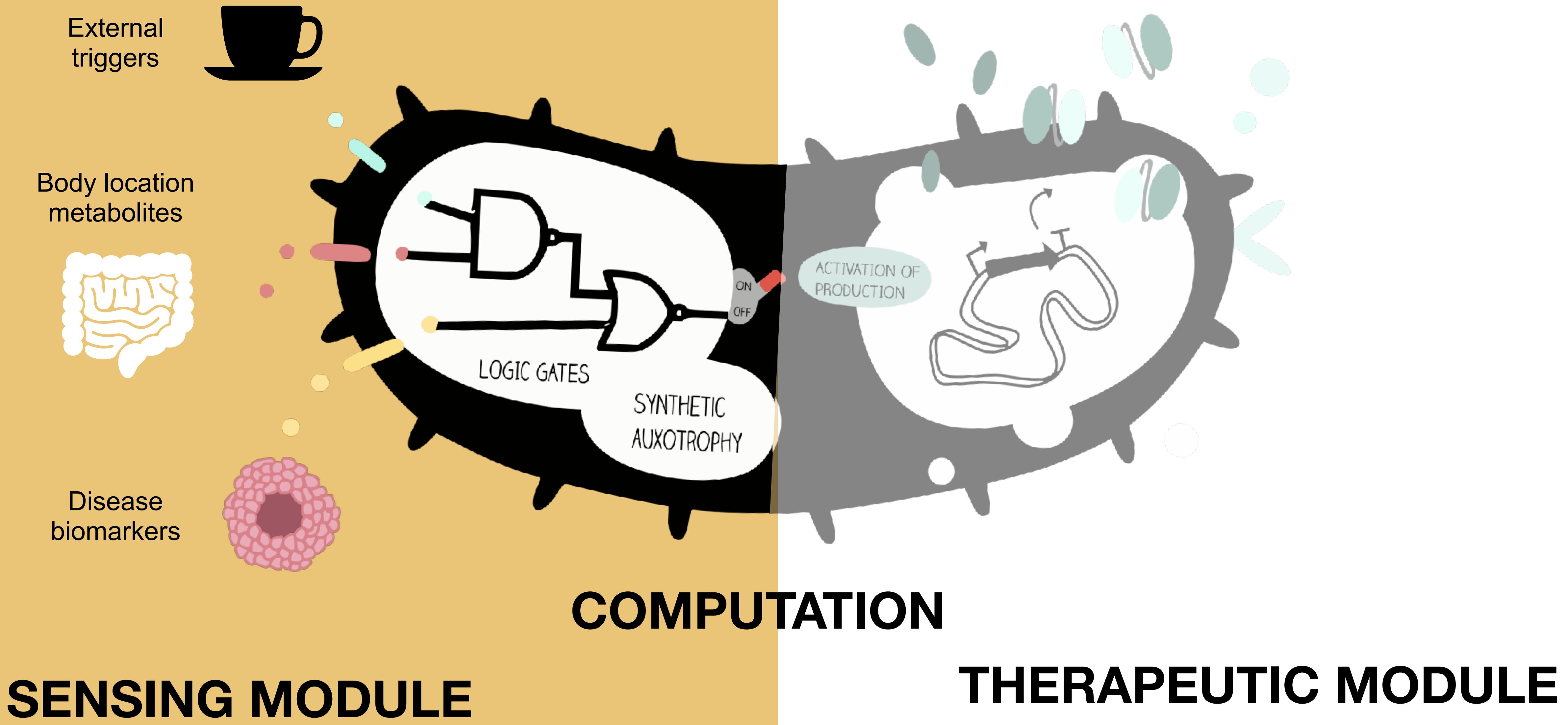


Drug production



Diagnosis and Therapeutic cells

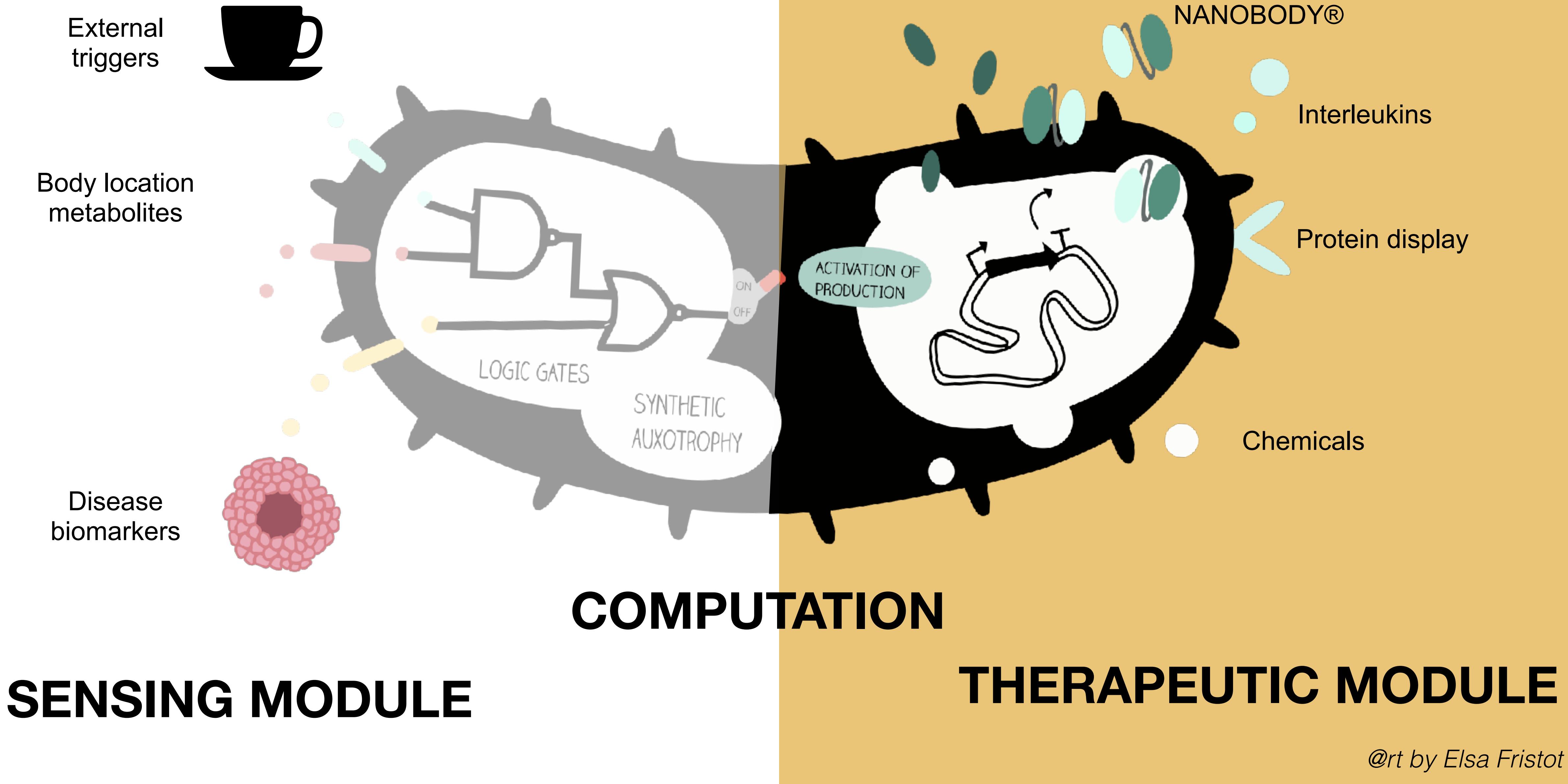
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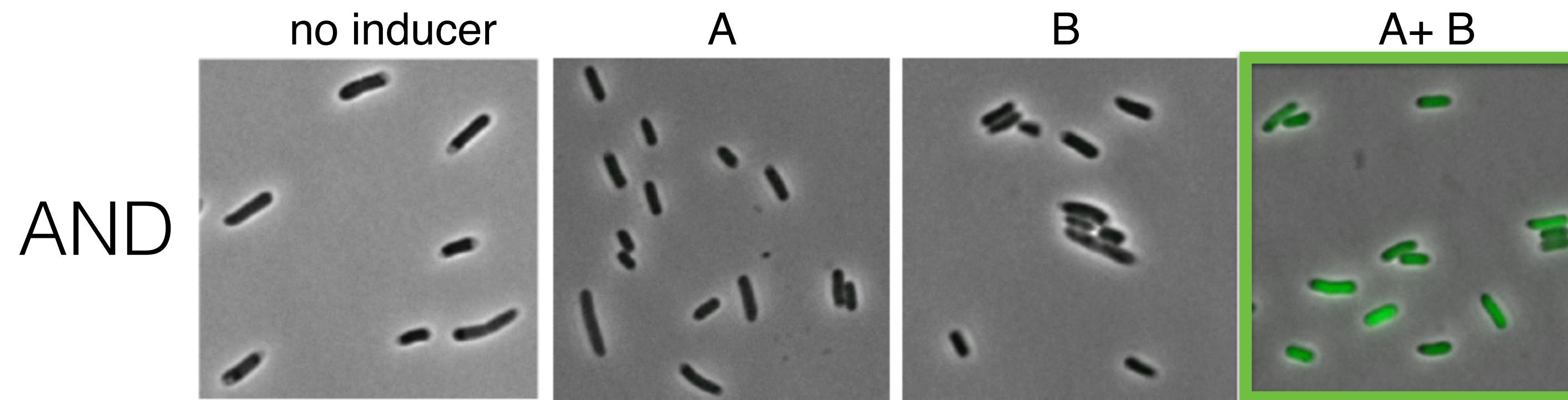
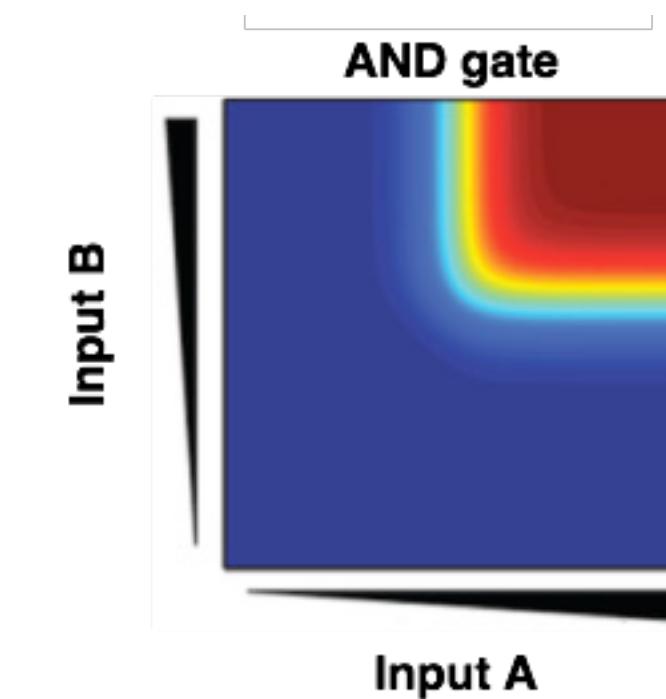
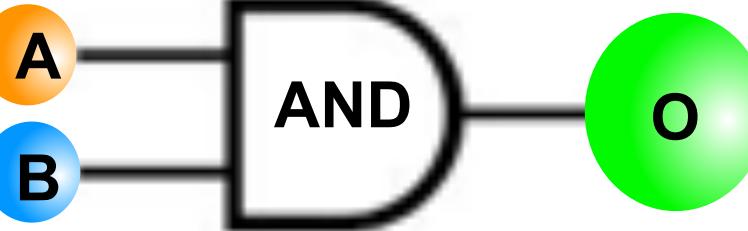
**SENSING MODULE**

**THERAPEUTIC MODULE**

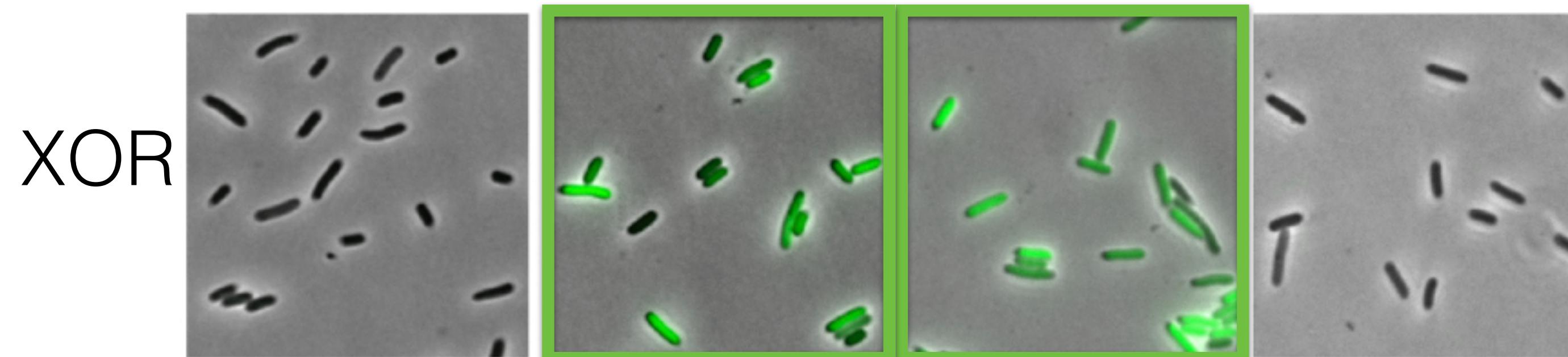
# Integrated sensing and computing for therapeutic bacteria



# Engineering biological logic gates



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



A	B	Output
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

# The global cancer burden

## Incidence

Cases

**19 976 499**

ASR (World)

**196.9**

## Mortality

Deaths

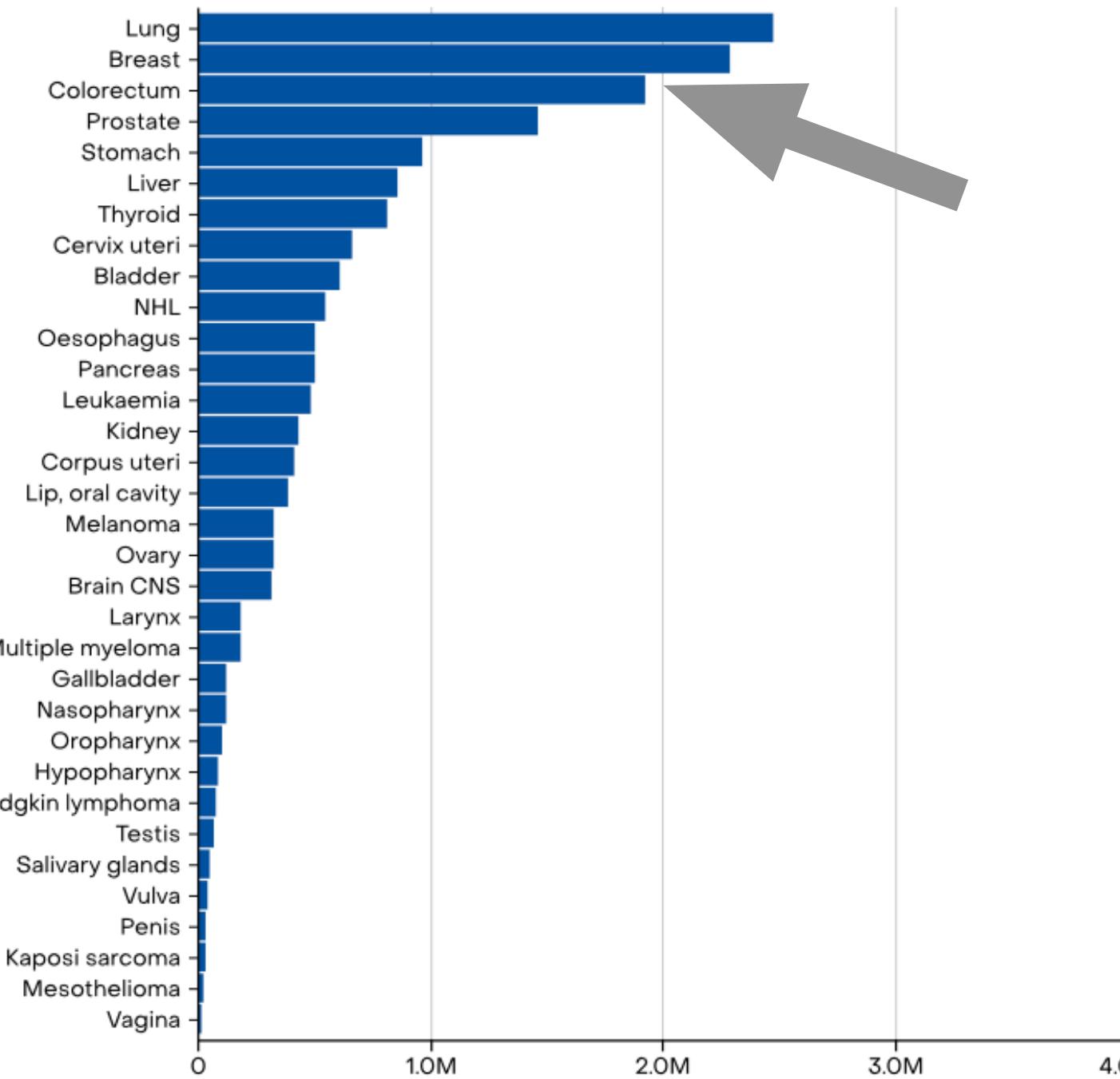
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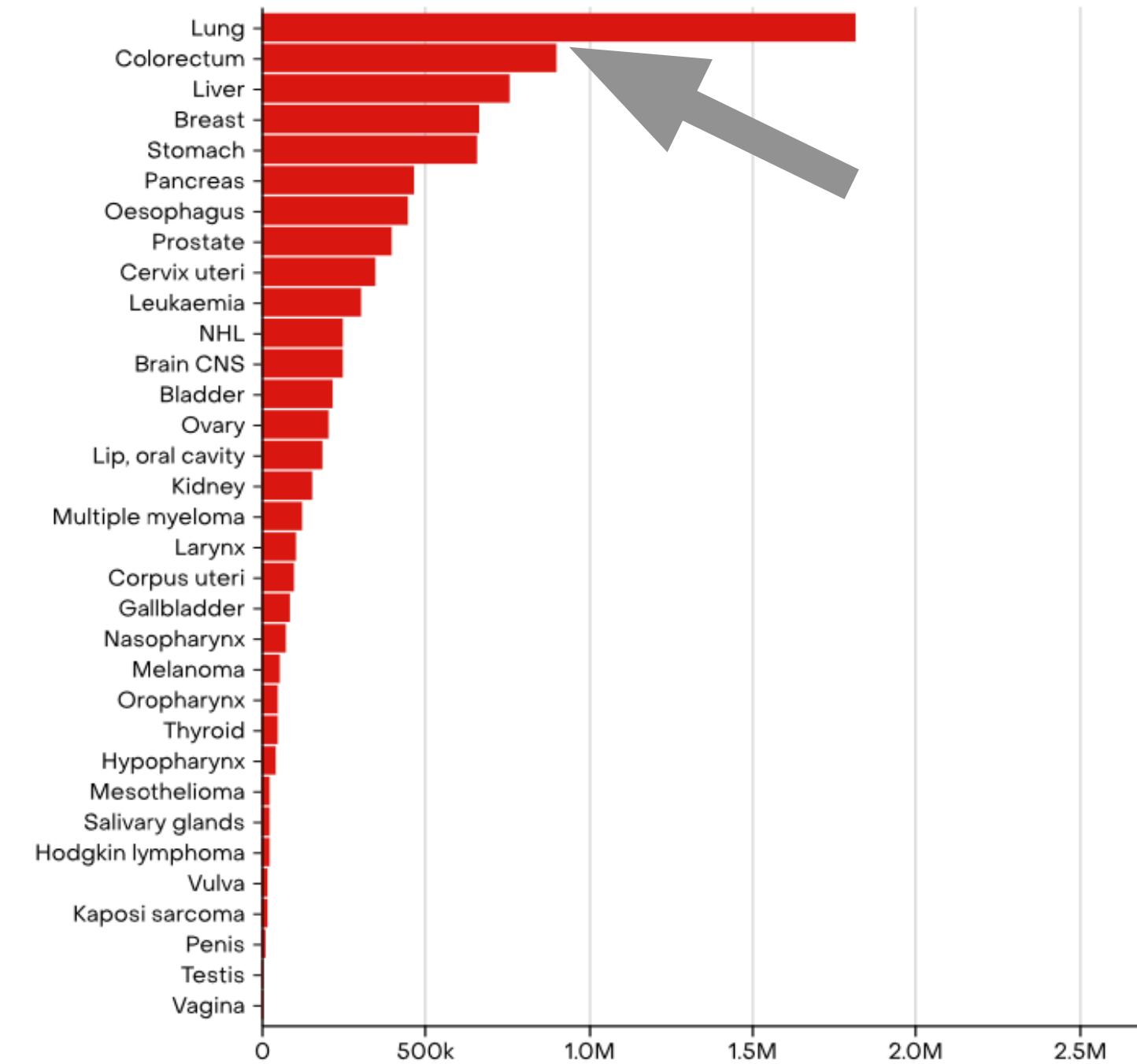
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### Cancer site ranking

#### Incidence



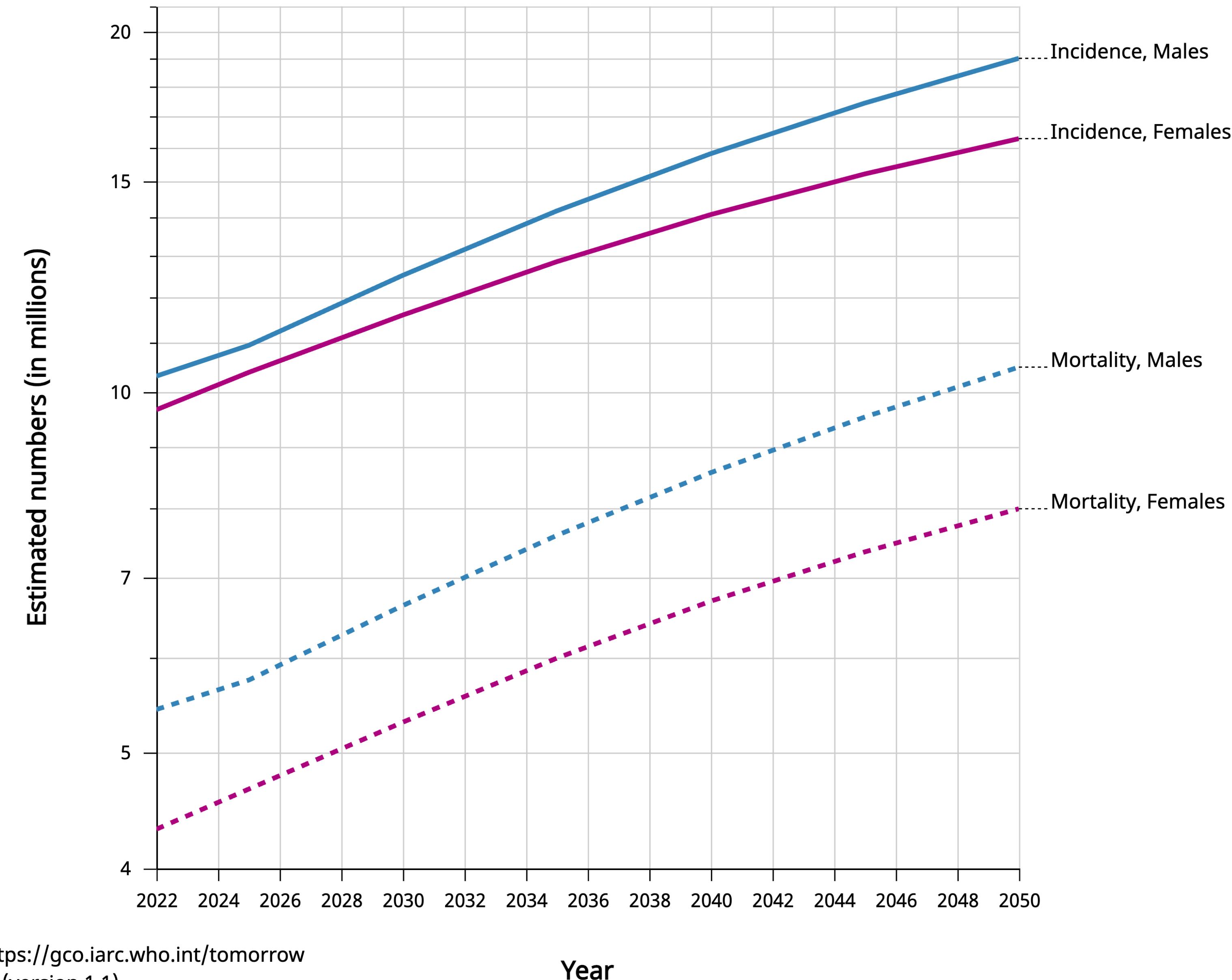
#### Mortality



Number of new cases , both sexes, all ages

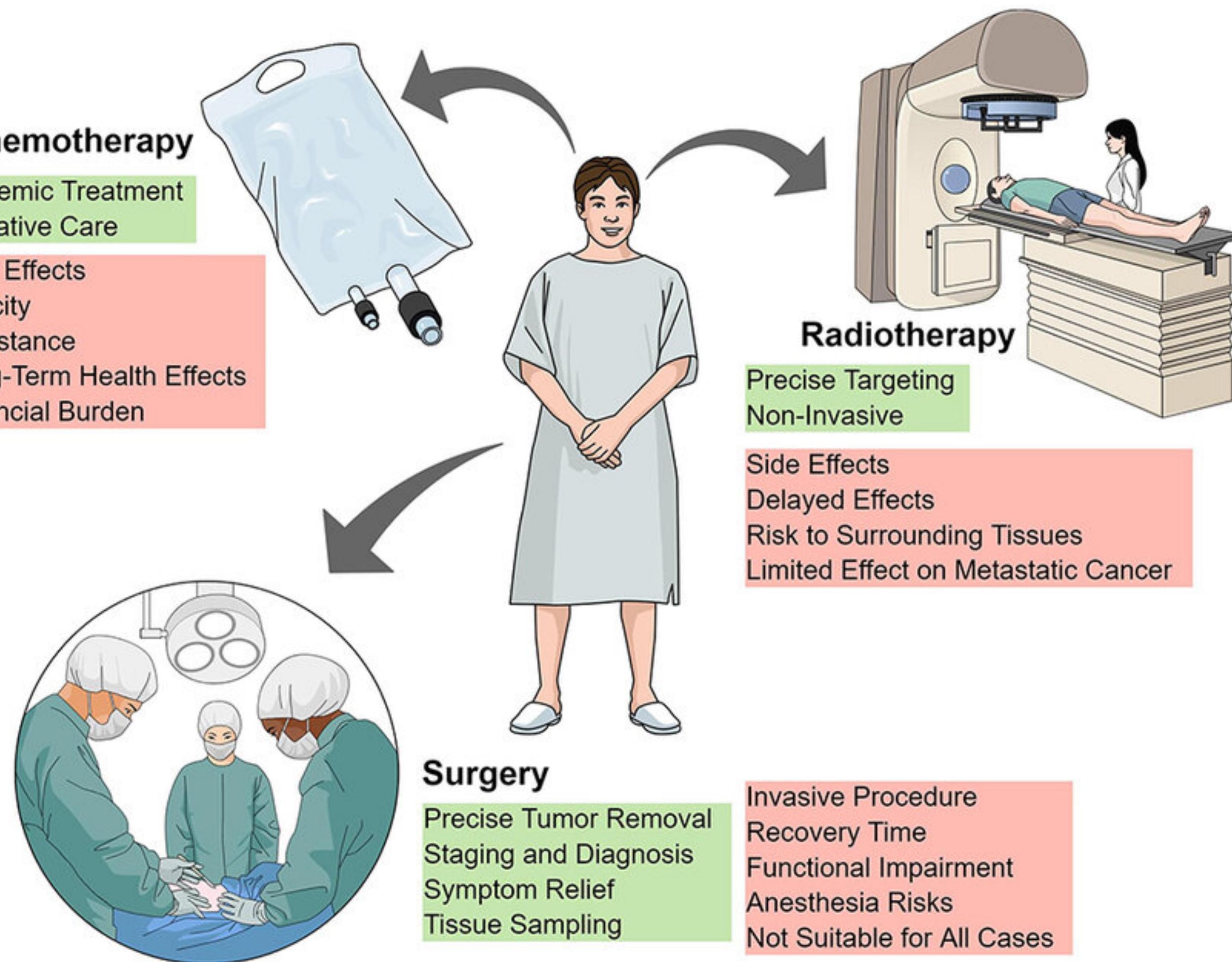
Number of deaths , both sexes, all ages

# Cancer Tomorrow

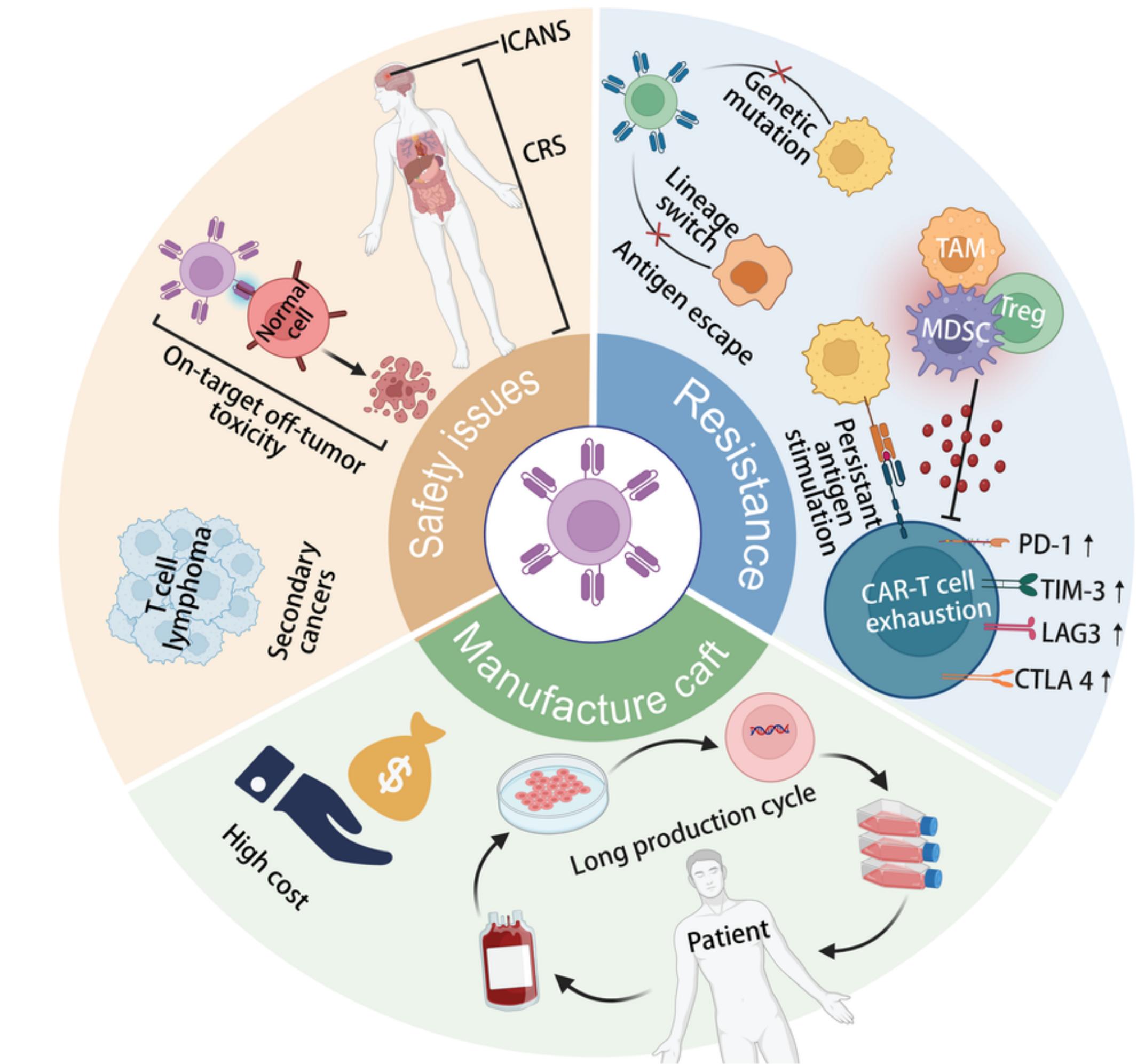


# Cancer therapeutic strategies

## Traditional treatments



## Immune and cell therapies



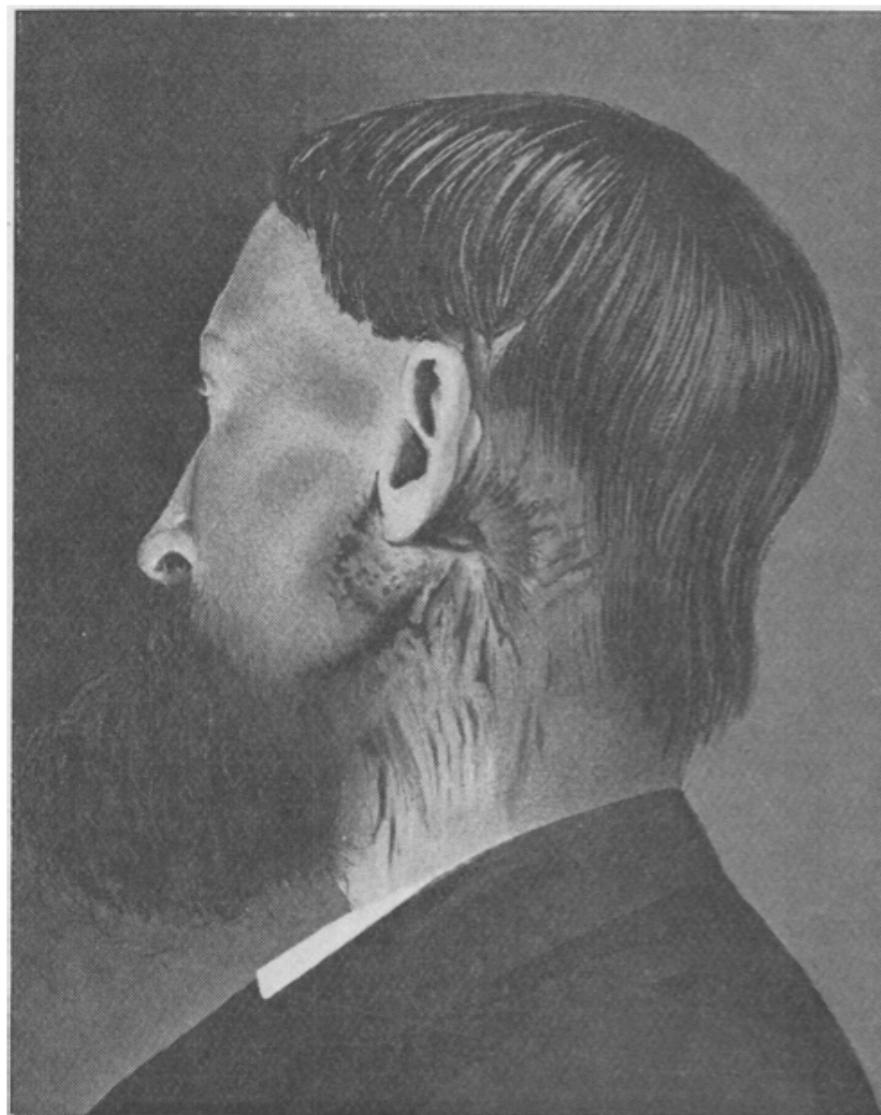
# Bacterial therapeutics against cancer: more than a 100 years

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1891

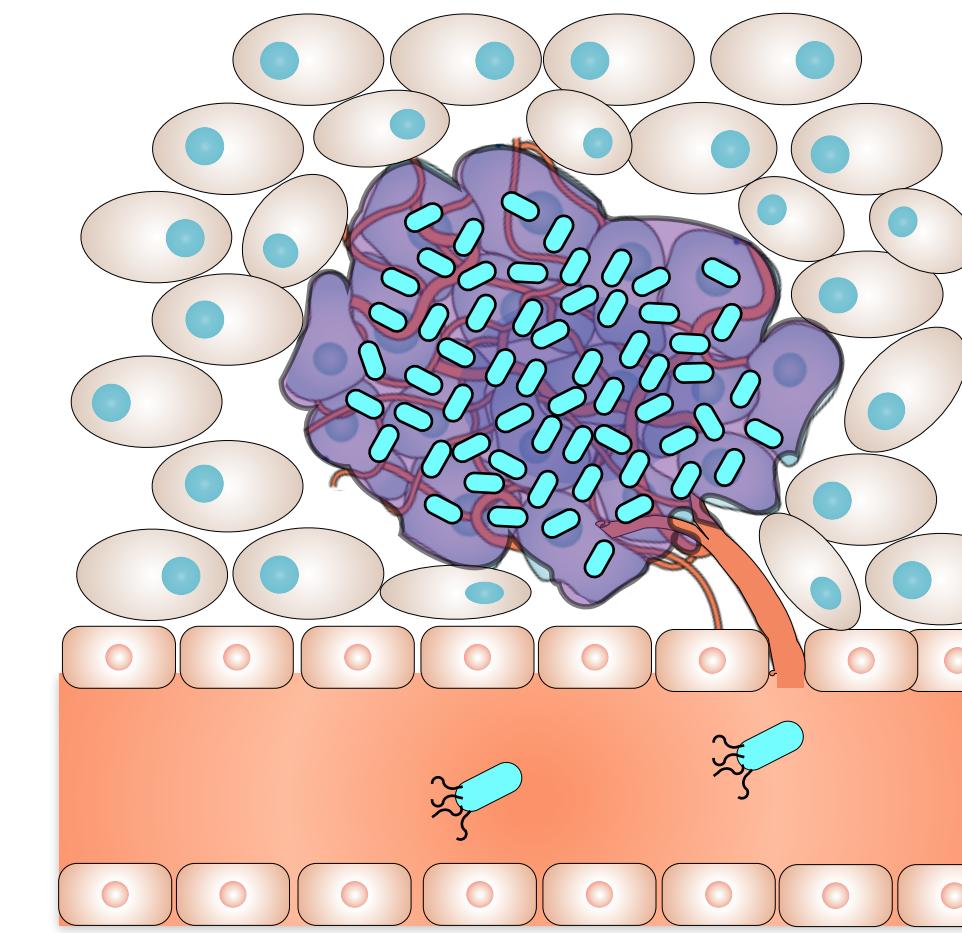


William  
Coley



Sarcoma spontaneous regression after infection

Hypoxie      Immunosuppression



Tumor Specific colonization

Quelques succès mais:

- pas d'antibiotiques à cette époque
- Avénement de la radiothérapie

# Bacteria cancer therapy revival

## INNOVATION

### Engineering the perfect (bacterial) cancer therapy

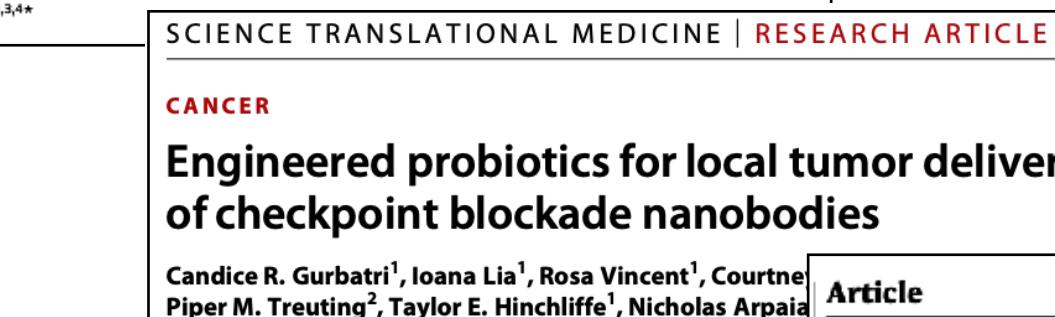
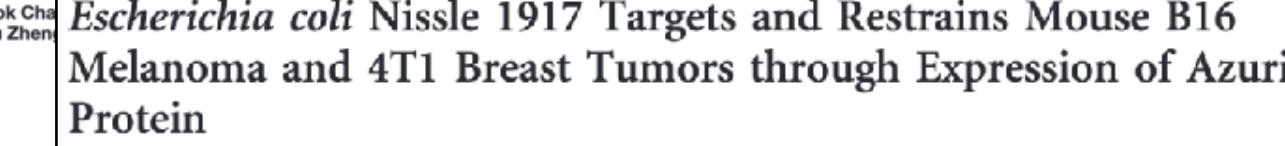
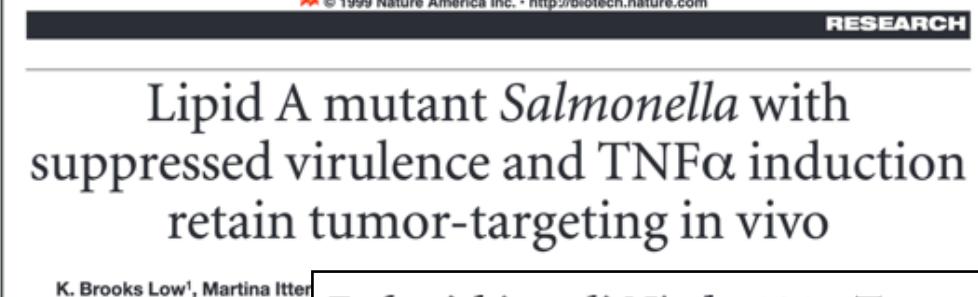
Neil S. Forbes

Nature Review Cancer, 2010, 10 (11)

### Engineered bacteria as therapeutic agents

Carlos Piñero-Lambea, David Ruano-Gallego and Luis Ángel Fernández

Current opinion in biotechnology, 2012, 35

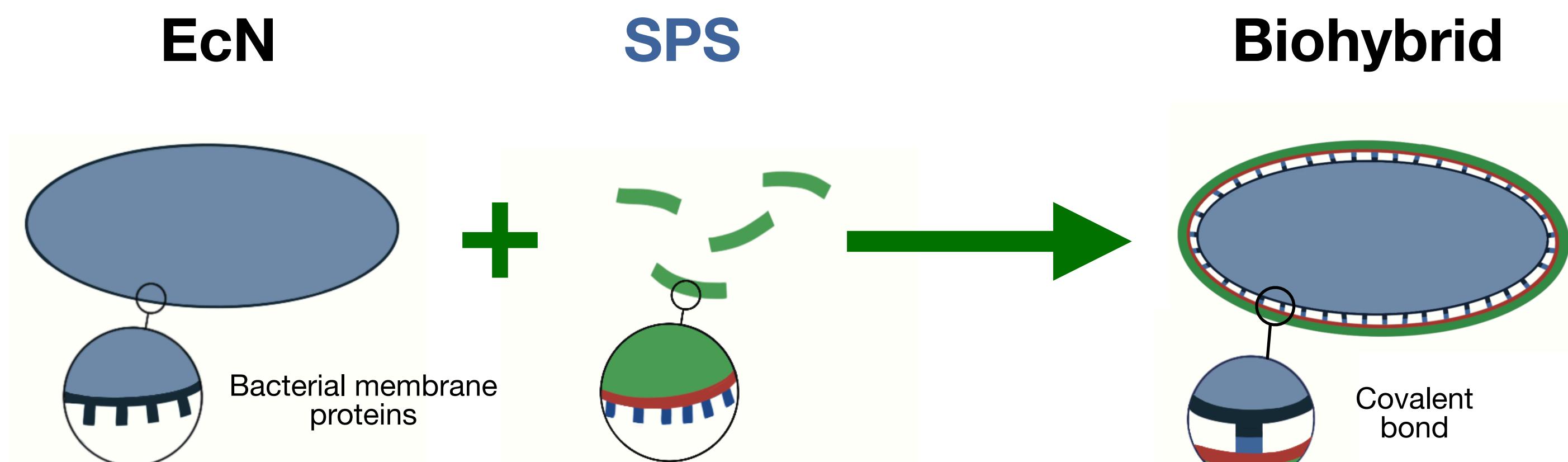


1990s

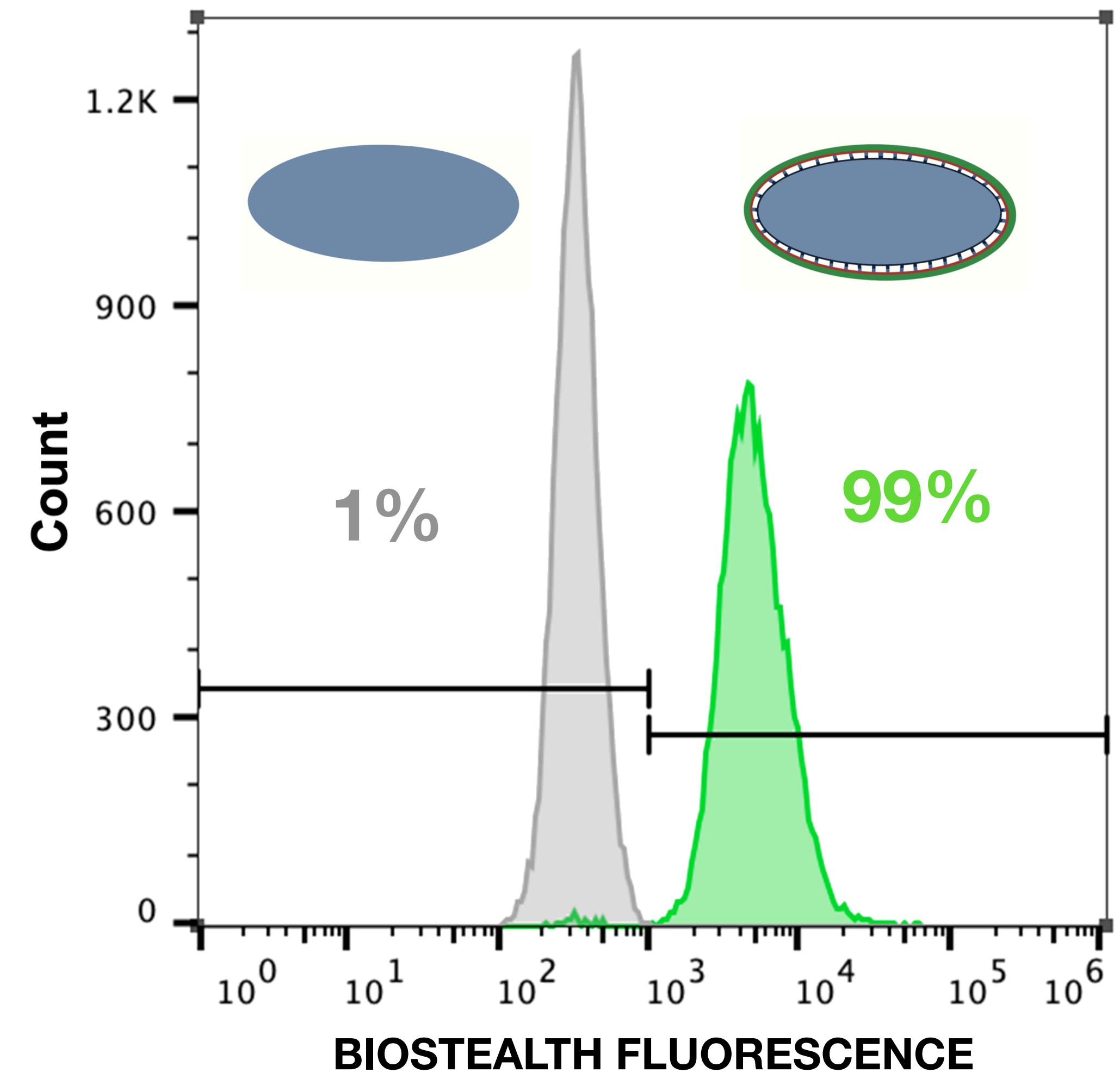
2020's

Clinical assay show possibility to inject Billion bacteria in blood stream

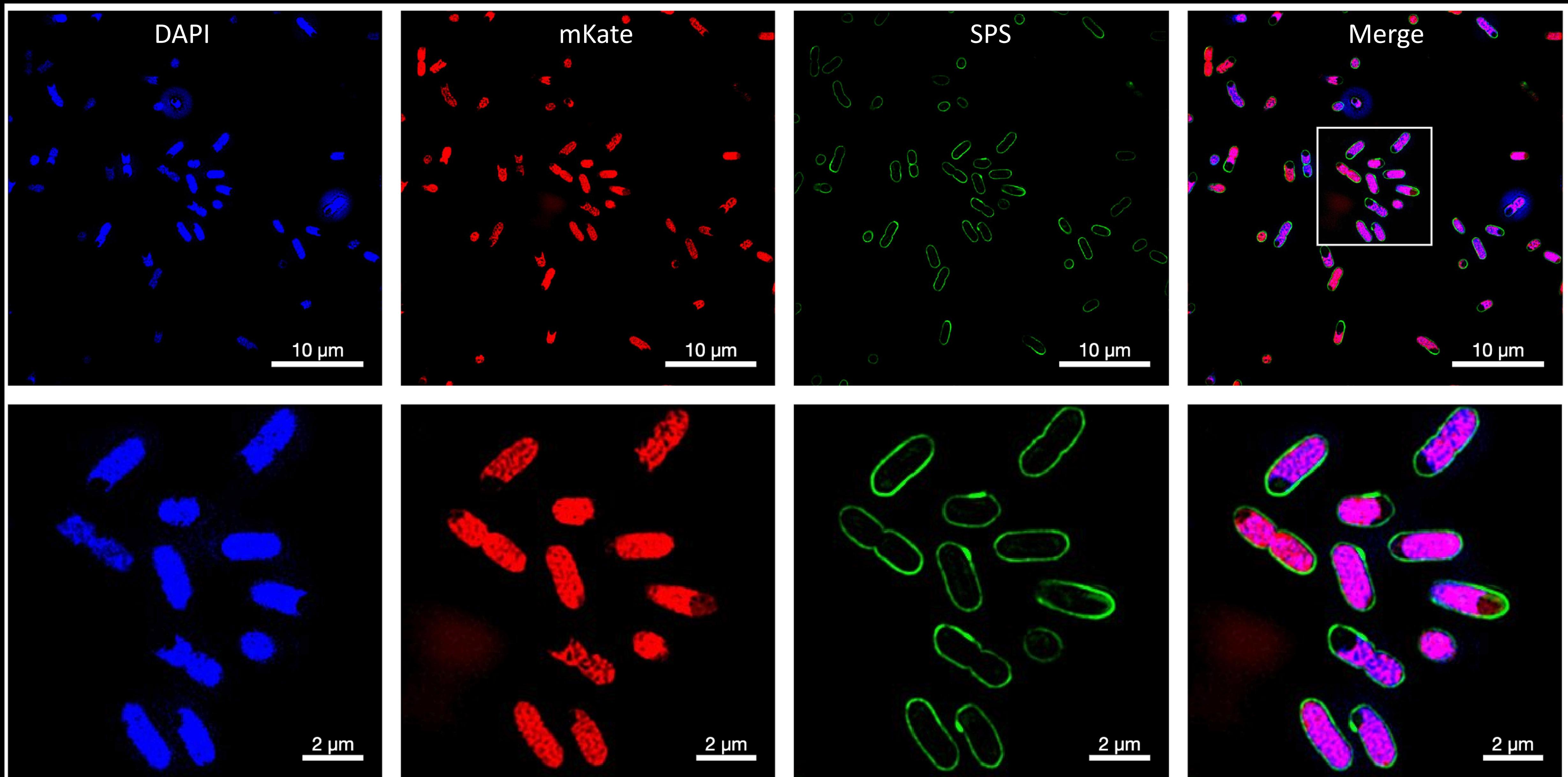
# iBots assembly



EcN is encapsulated with 99% efficiency



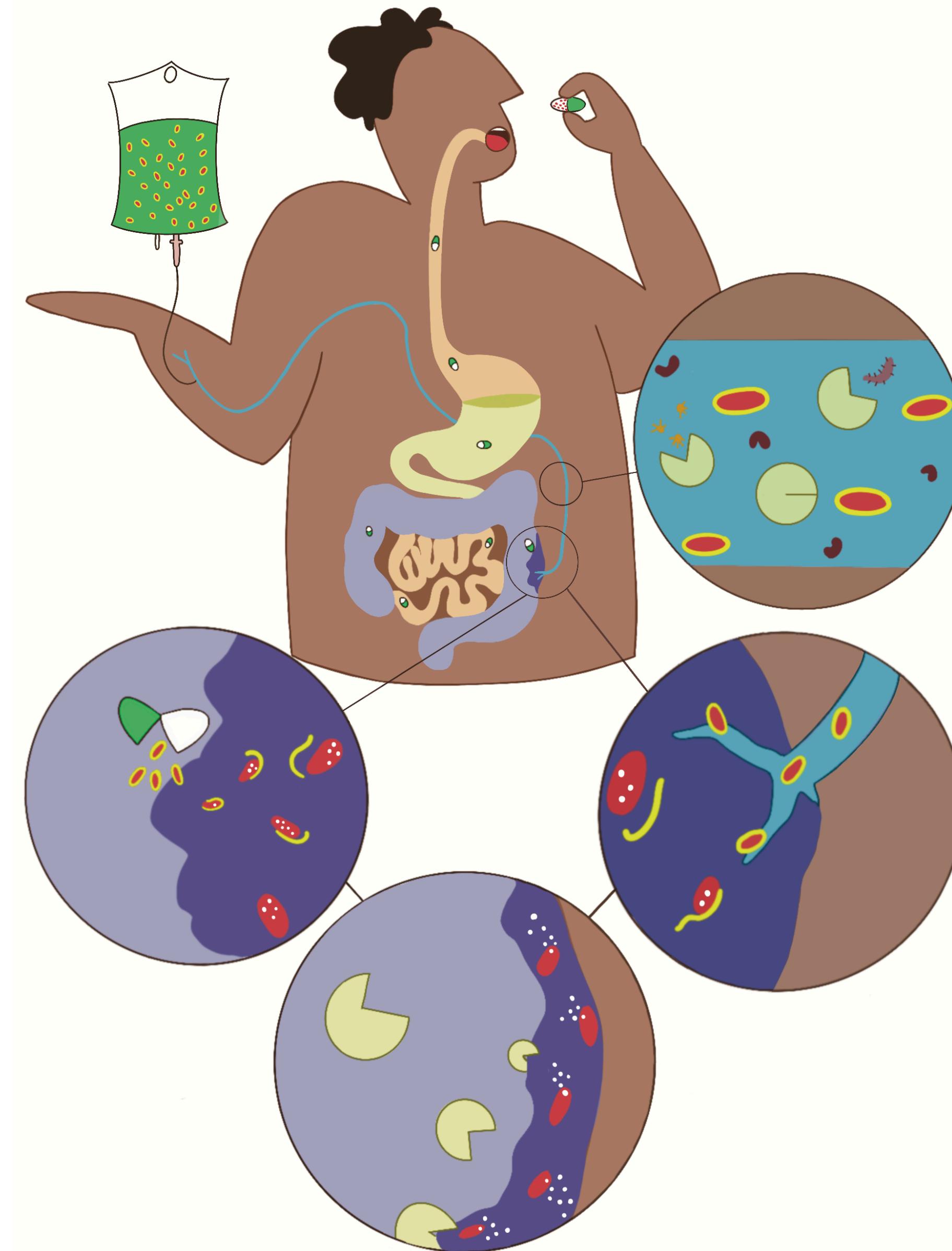
# Visualization by fluorescence microscopy of EcN coated with SPS



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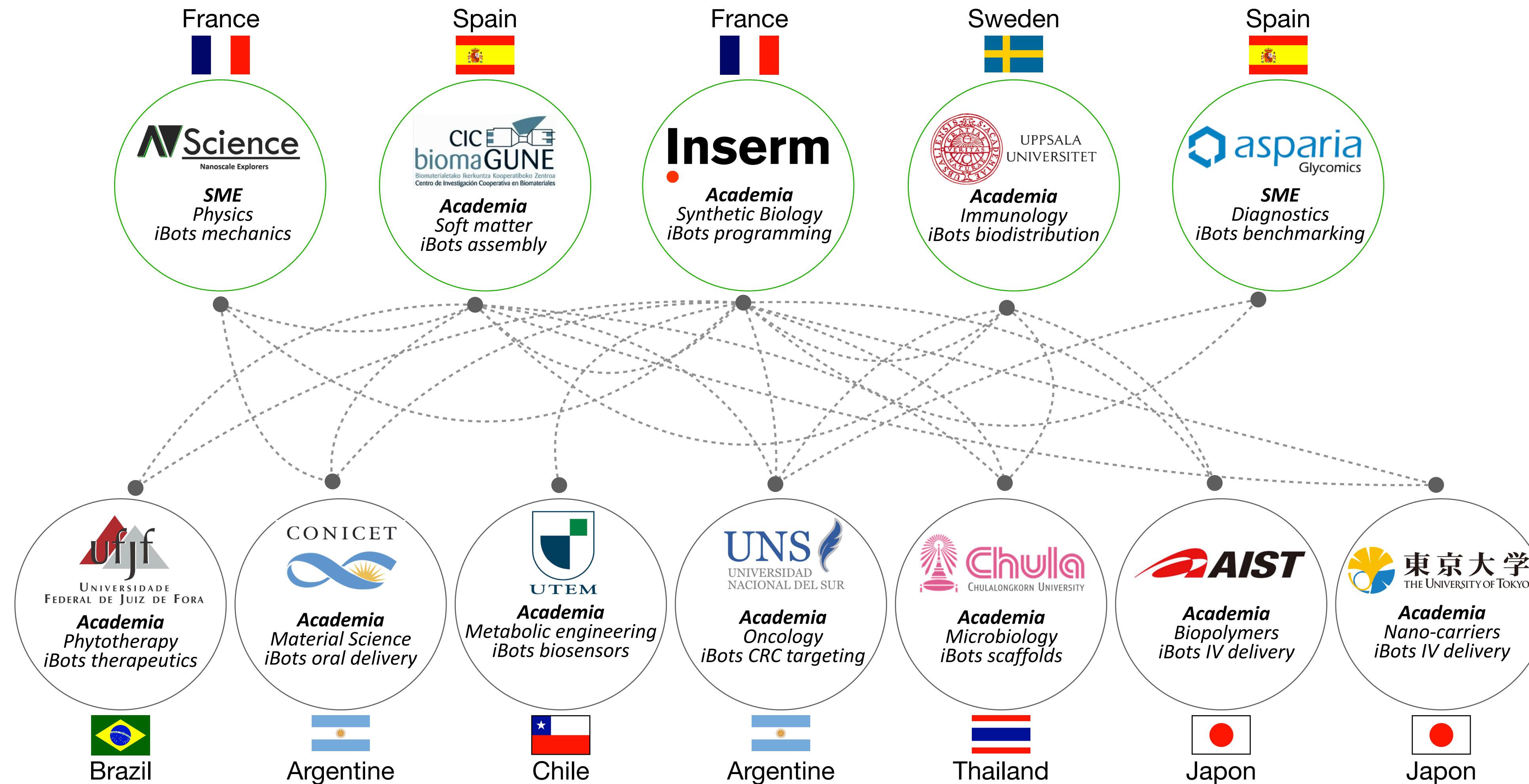
## Therapeutic Bacteria Biohybrids for Oncology Treatment

***GOAL: Develop an adaptable therapeutic bioagent to addresses the multifaceted challenges of cancer treatment while improving patient quality of life and reducing the cost of cellular therapies***



# Therabot Consortium

## European Beneficiaries



Associated partners

# Our role in the project

## Coordination

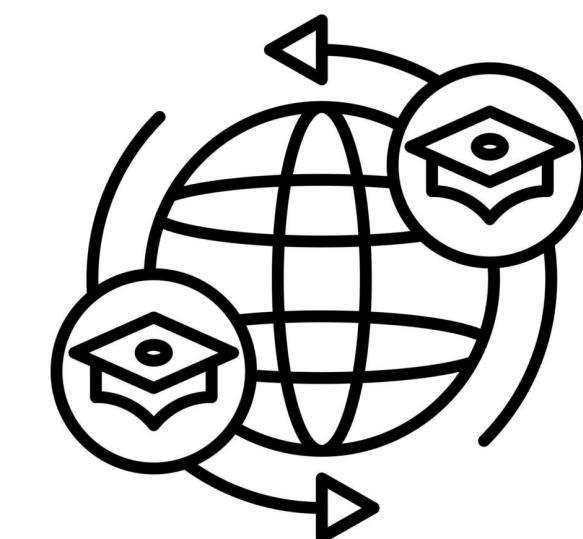
Reporting



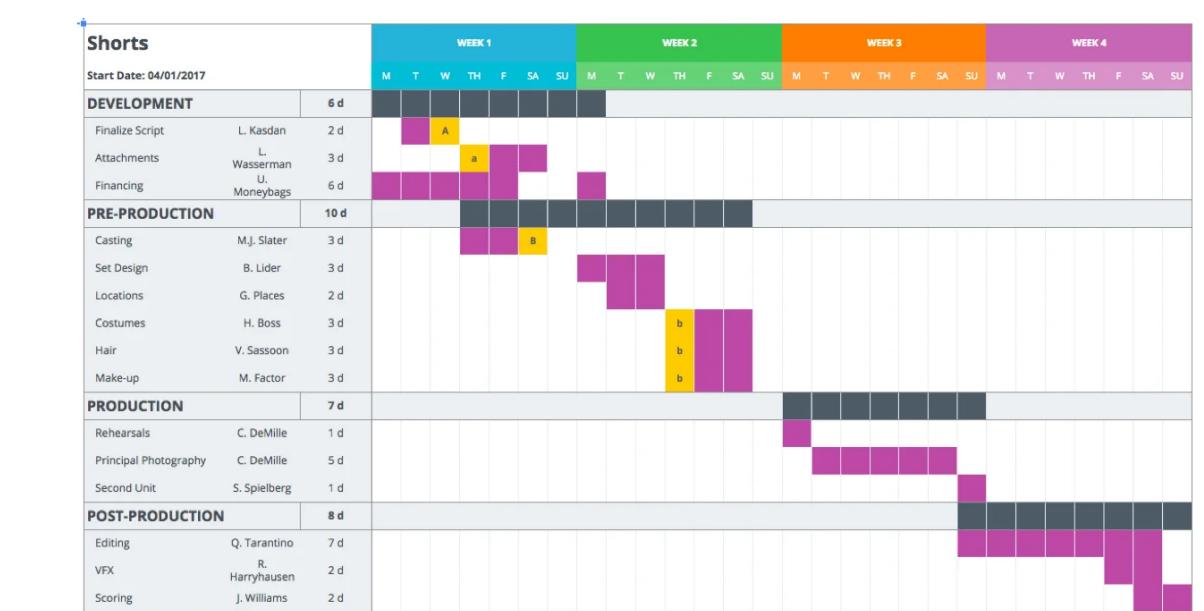
Governance



Secondments



Deliverables/Milestones



Workshops/dissemination



## Bioengineering

iBots assembly



Repurposing of bacteria

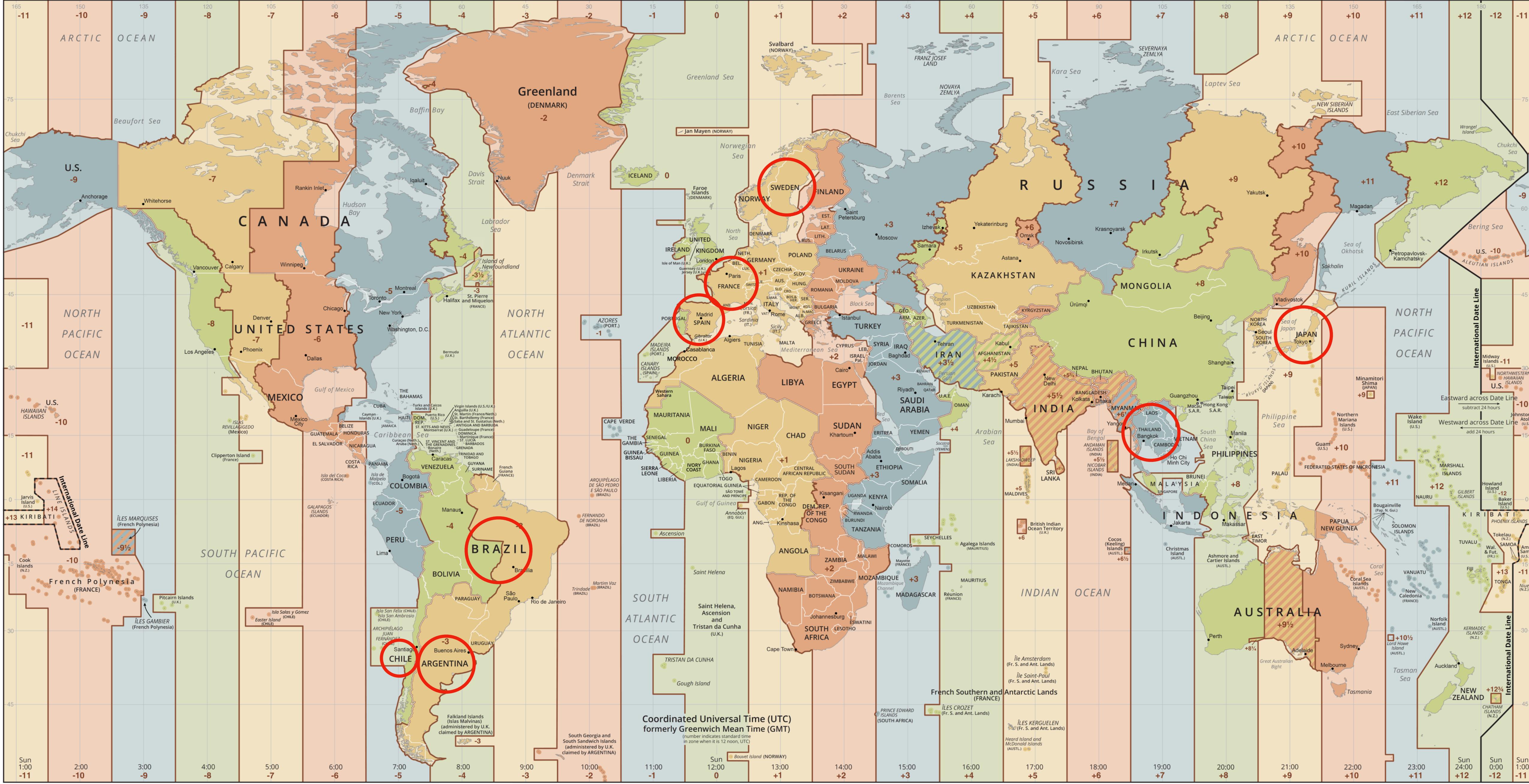


Autonomous iBots



# THE RABOT timezones

# STANDARD TIME ZONES OF THE WORLD



- Pourquoi avez-vous choisi de déposer un projet européen dans le cadre de l'appel Staff Exchanges ?
- Pourquoi avoir voulu coordonner ce réseau ?
- Quels sont les retombées de ce projet (pour vous, pour les équipes, pour la recherche) ?
- Recommanderiez-vous à vos collègues de tenter l'aventure ?
- Quels conseils et points d'attention pourriez-vous leur donner ?

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**