

# Novel Detection Of Epitopes Specific For Crispr Gene-editing Components

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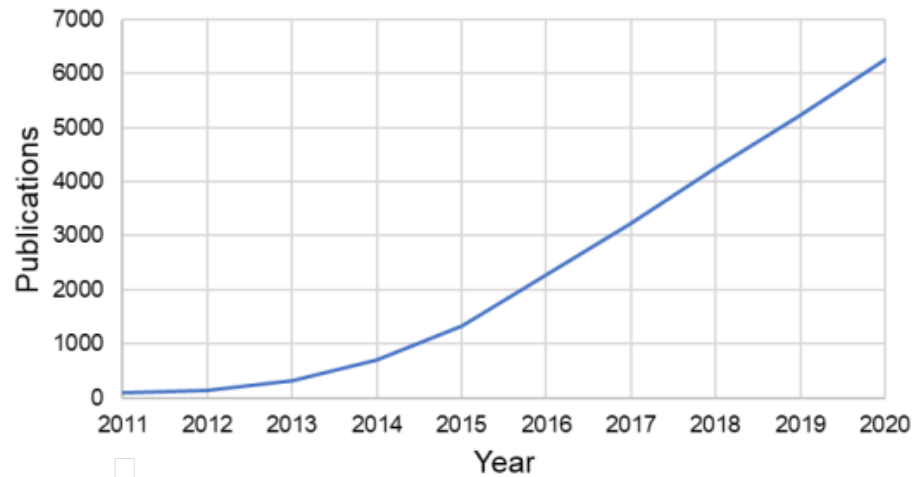


# CRISPR Dual-use Concerns



# Speed of Research Outpacing Safety/Surveillance

New CRISPR Publications by Year



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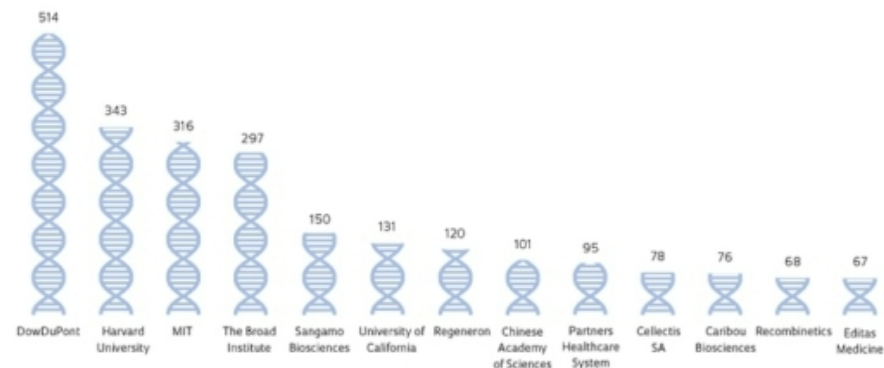
Top 3 of the most well-funded CRISPR companies



CB Insights [cbinsights.com](https://www.cbinsights.com)

The CRISPR-Cas9 race

Patents and other intellectual property related to gene editing acquired by universities and companies worldwide



Labiotech [labiotech.eu](https://www.labiotech.eu)

'CRISPR babies'  
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## Four U.S. CRISPR Trials Editing Human DNA to Research New Treatments

Breaking down how the gene editing technology is being used, for the first time in the United States, to treat patients with severe medical conditions



Smithsonian Magazine [smithsonianmag.com](https://www.smithsonianmag.com)

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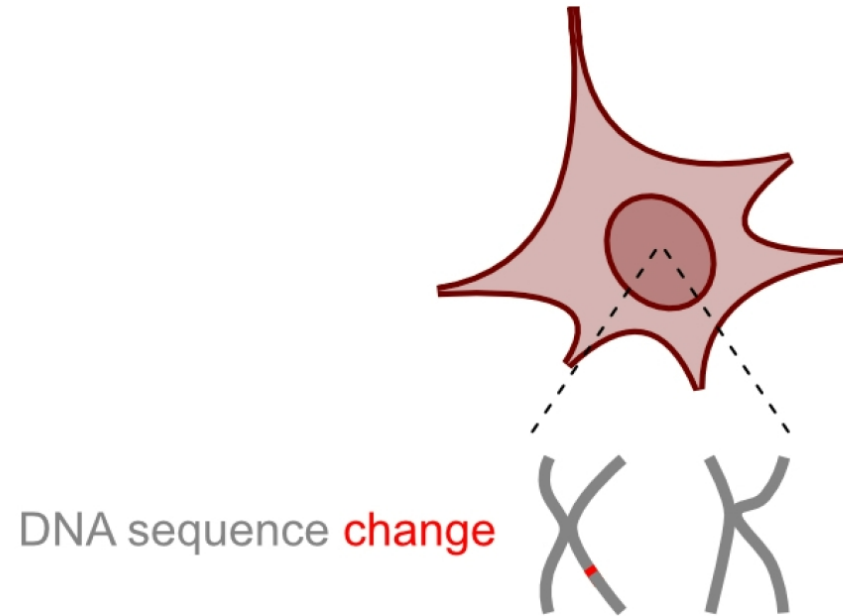
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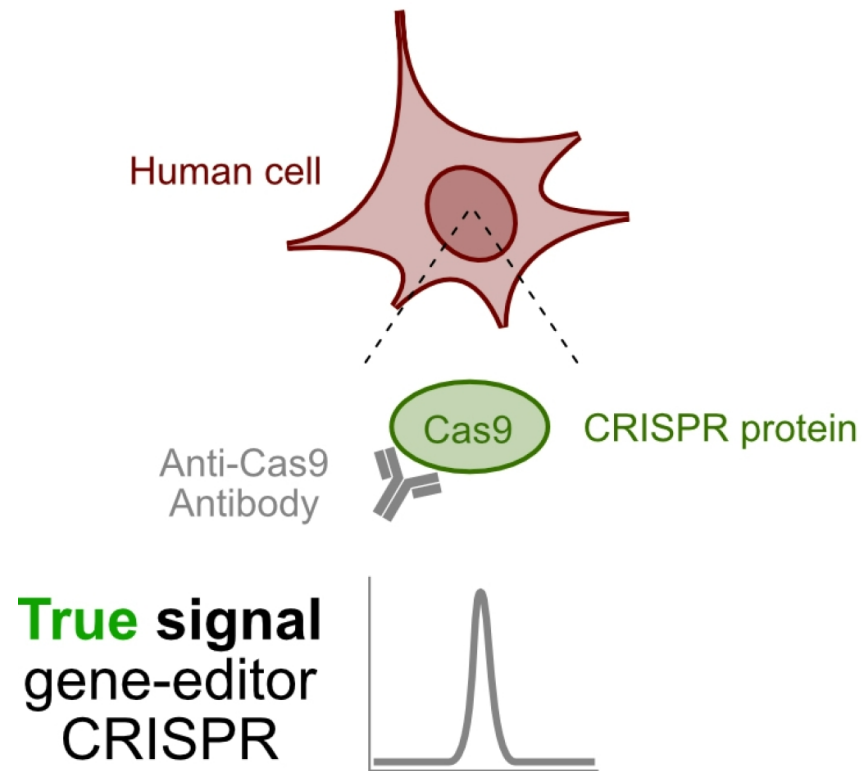
## Engineered gene-editing CRISPR

Alter genomic  
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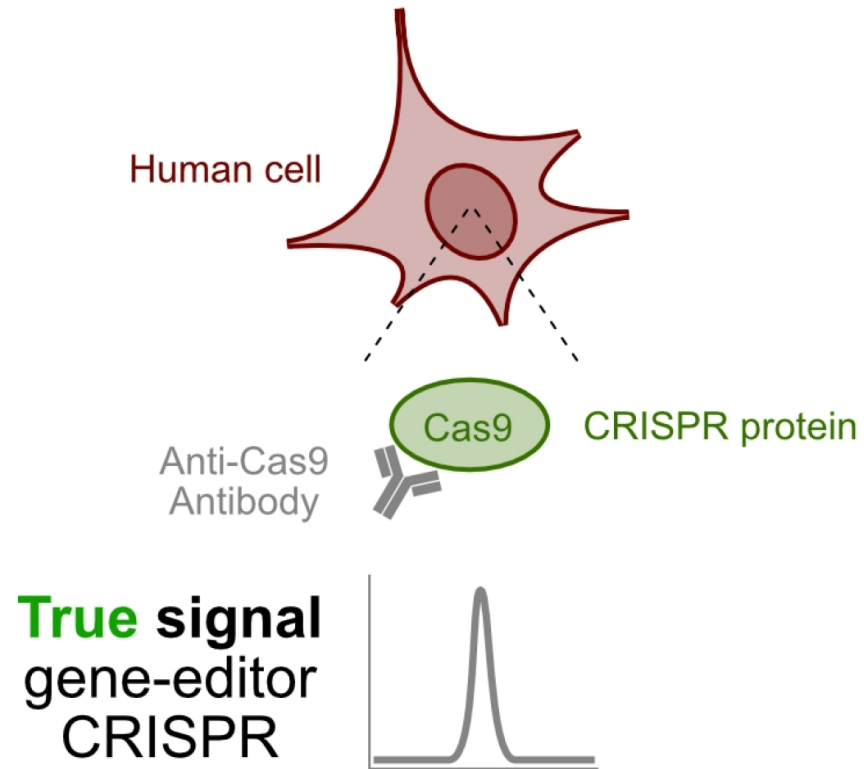
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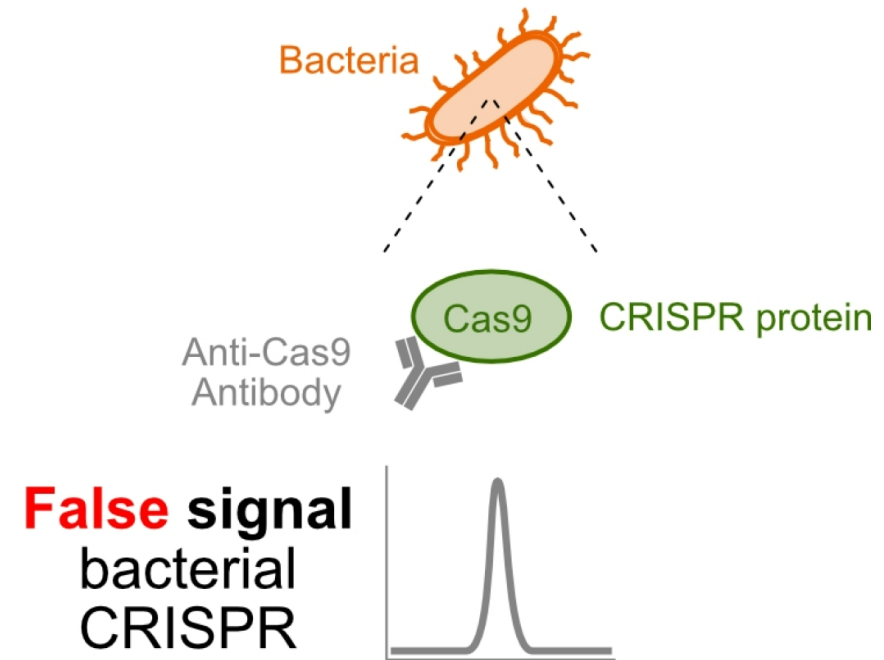


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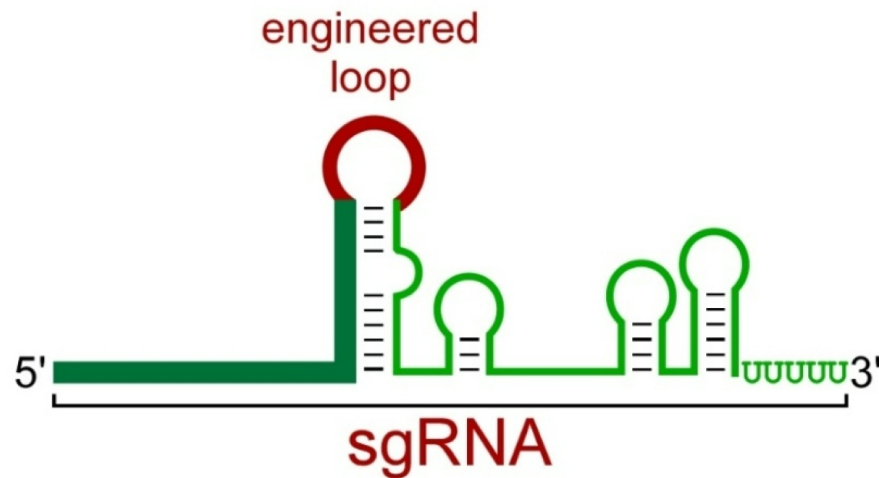


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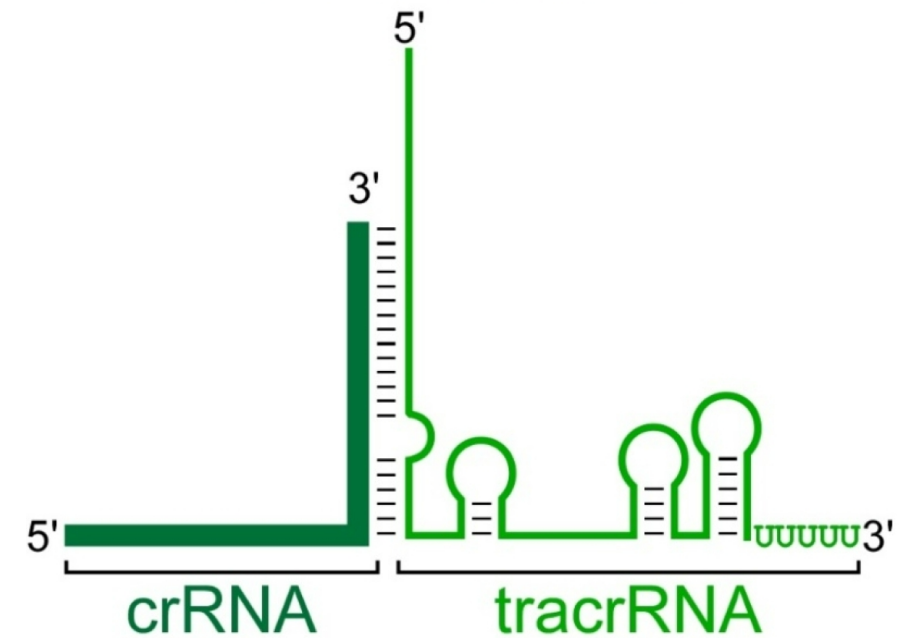
# CRISPR RNA as a Moiety for Gene-editor Exposure

## Gene-editor CRISPR RNAs



1 RNA molecule

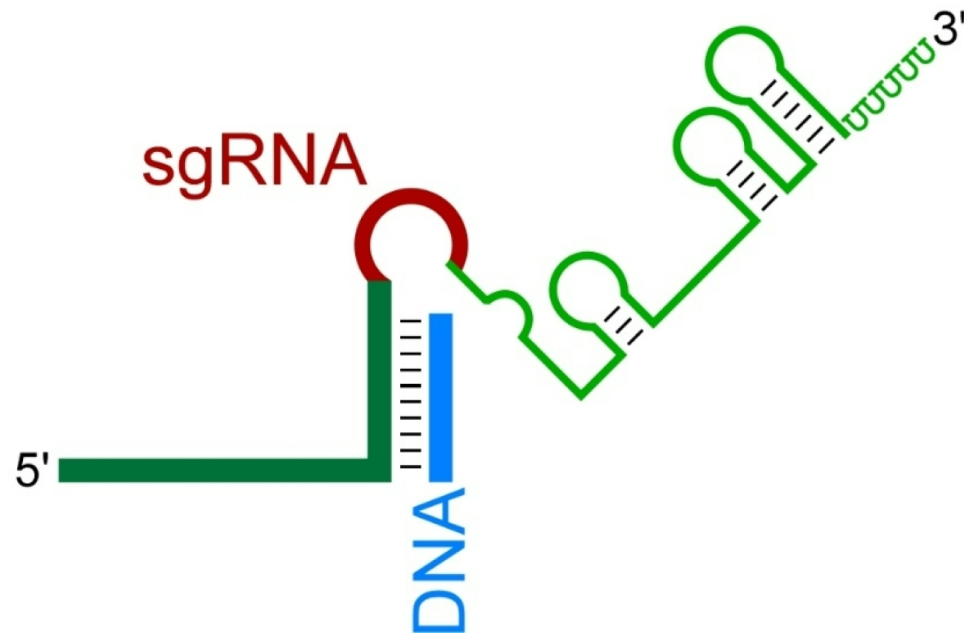
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2 RNA molecules

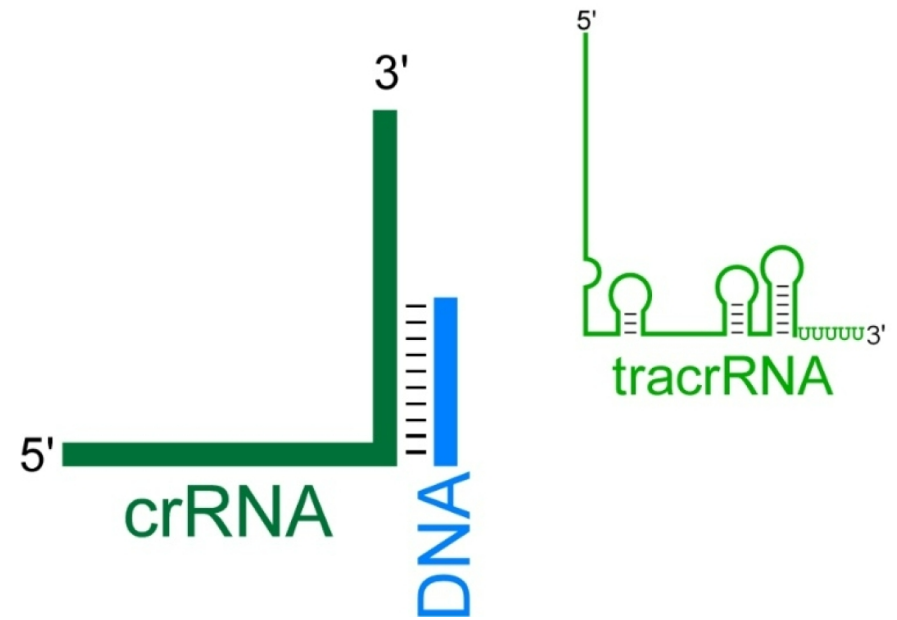
# DNA Displacement of RNA Structure

## Gene-editor CRISPR RNAs



Unfold single RNA

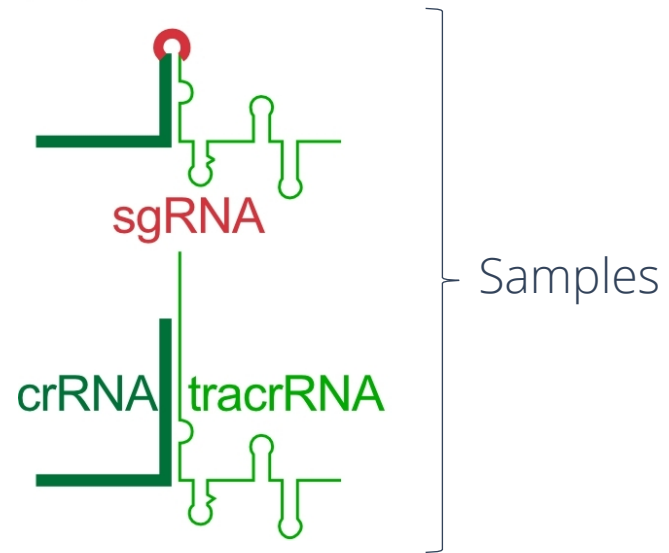
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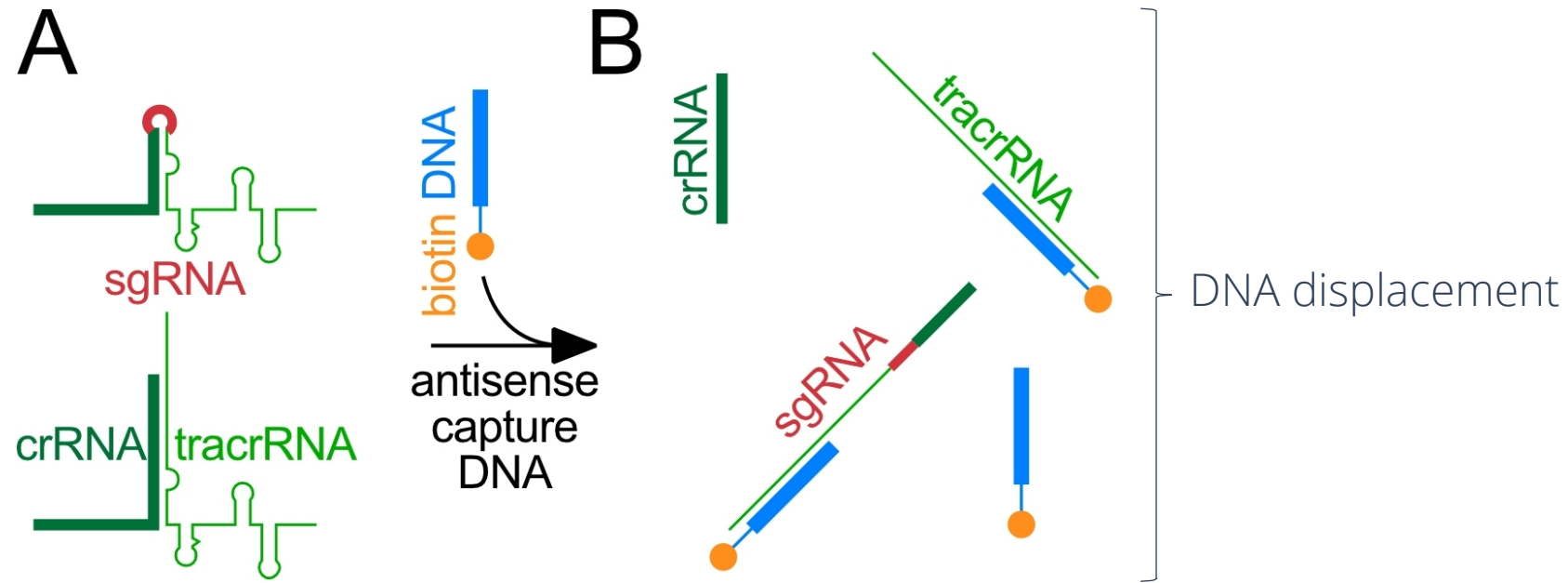
Displace and loss of second RNA

# Engineered Gene-editor CRISPR Detection Assay

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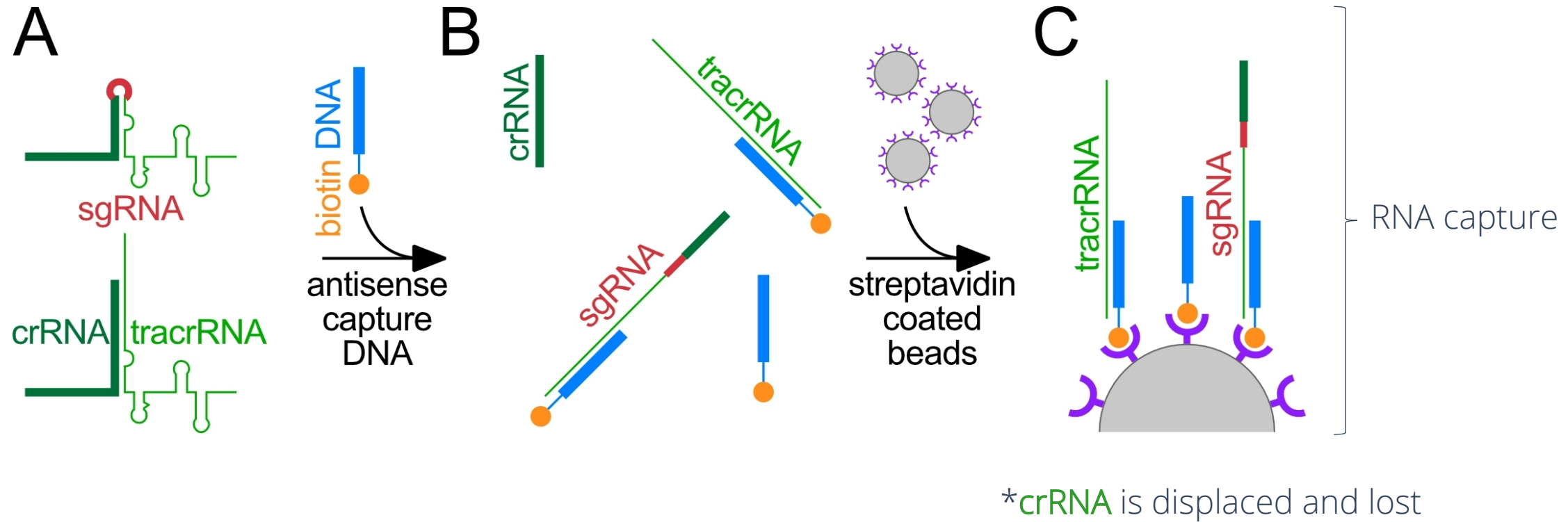


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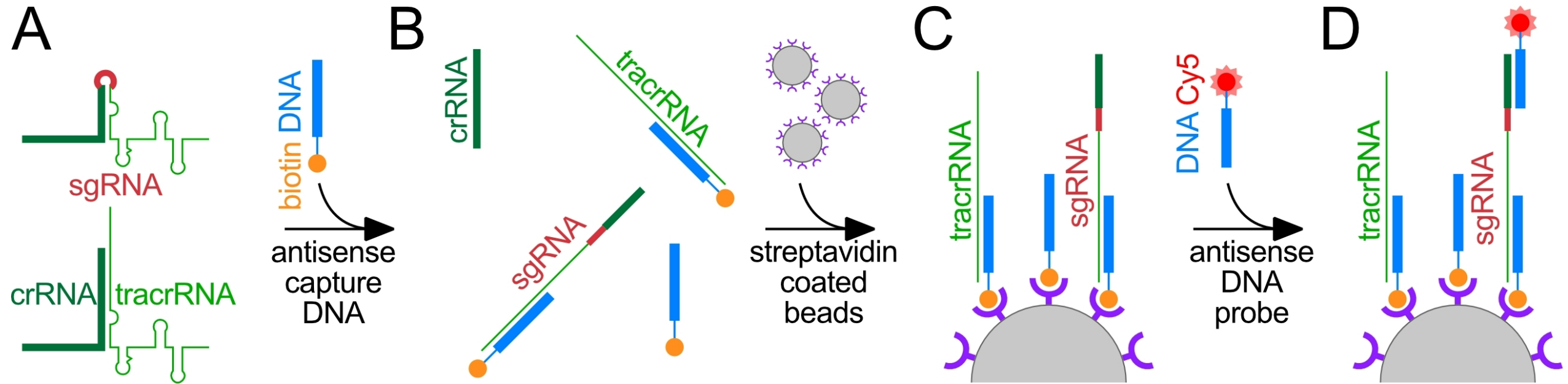




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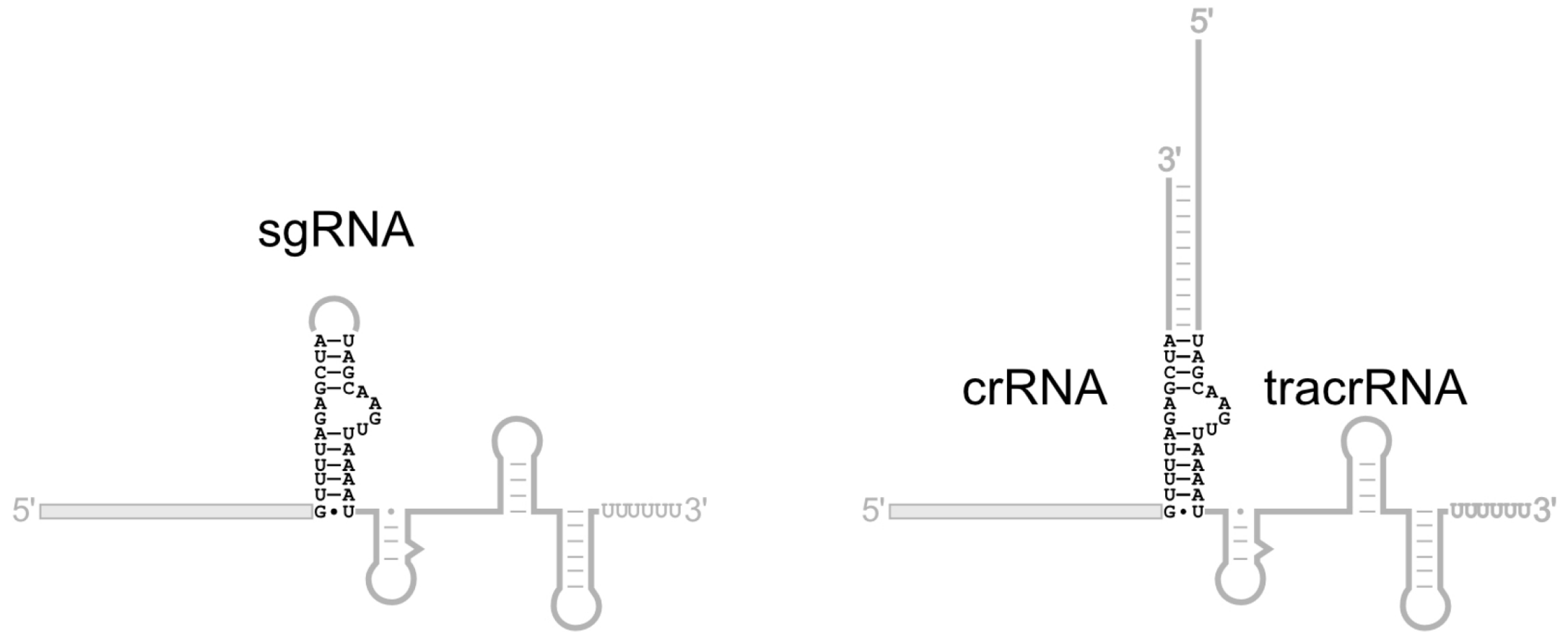


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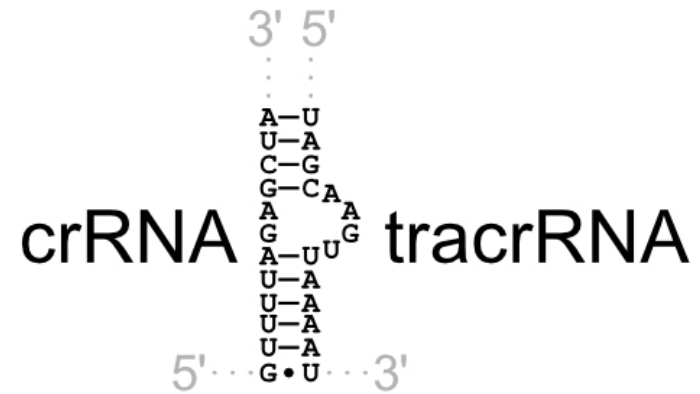


Specific detection of sgRNA

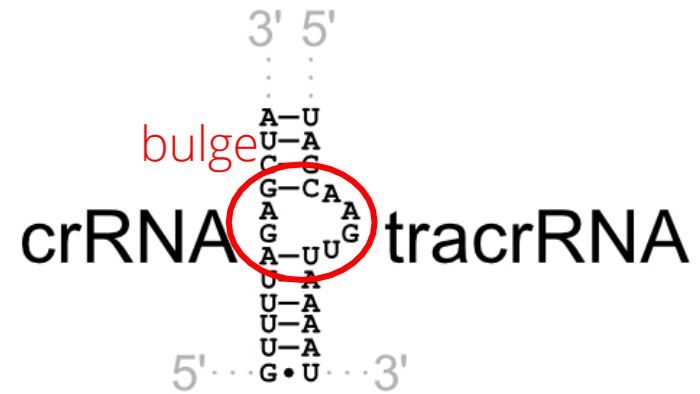
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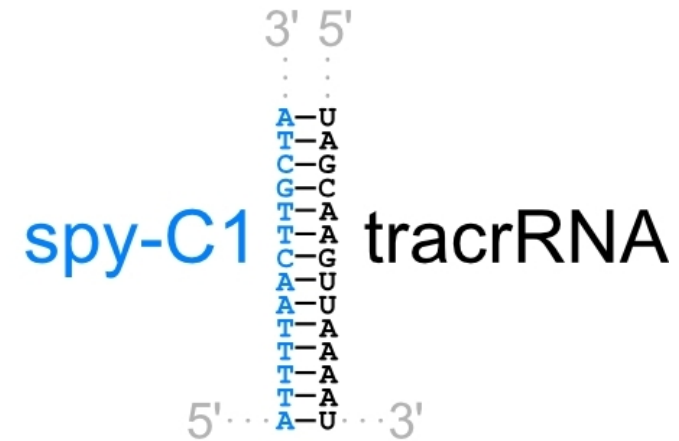
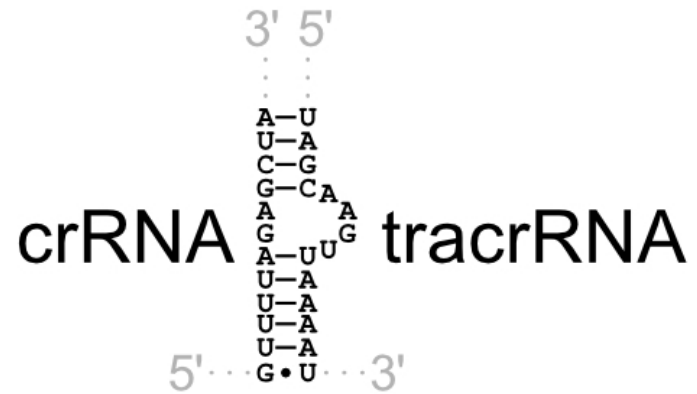
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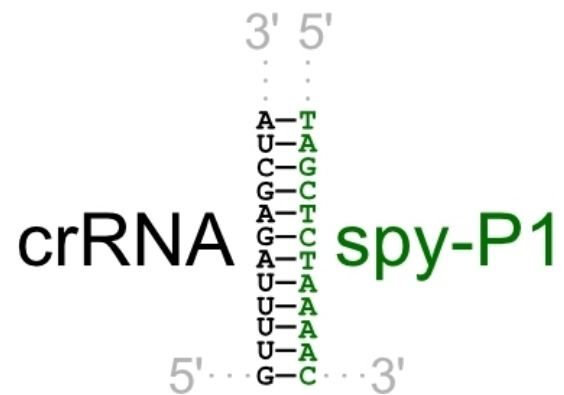
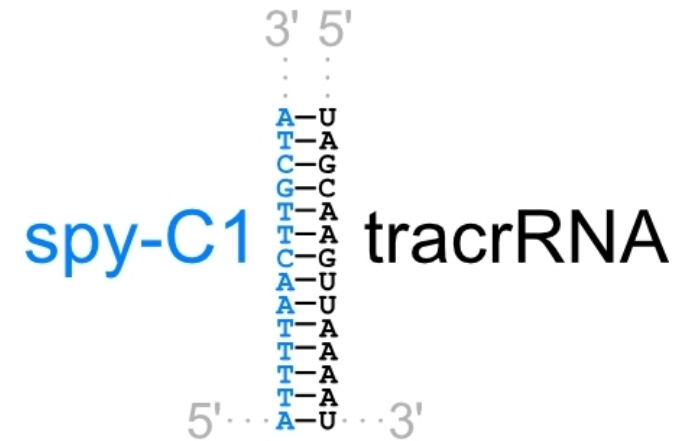
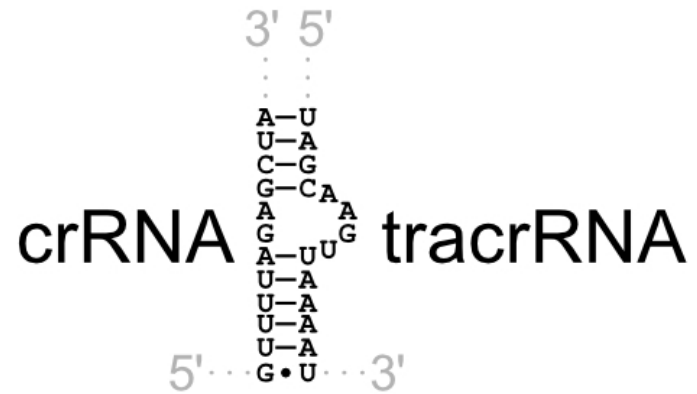
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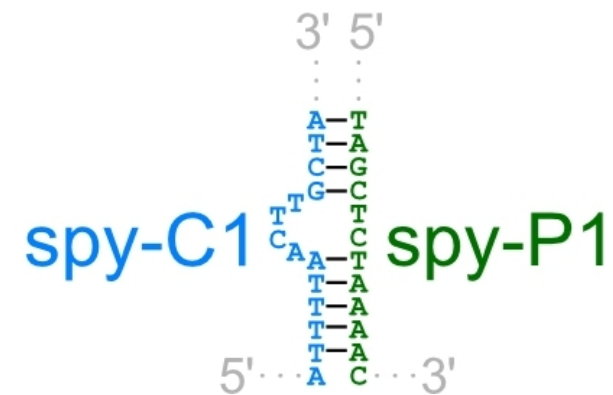
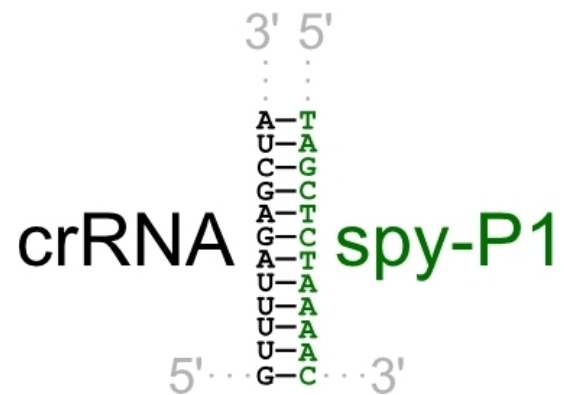
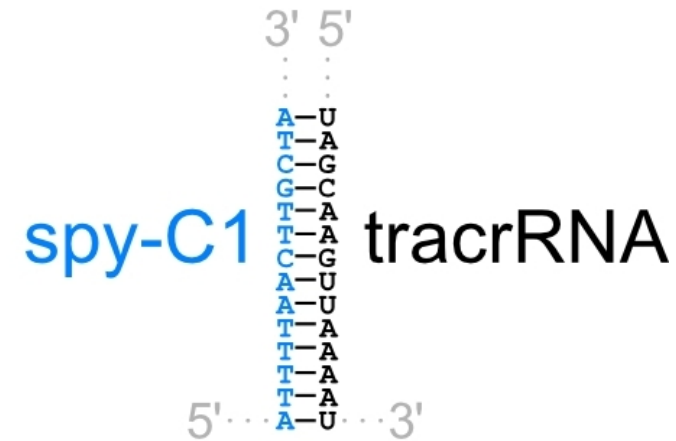
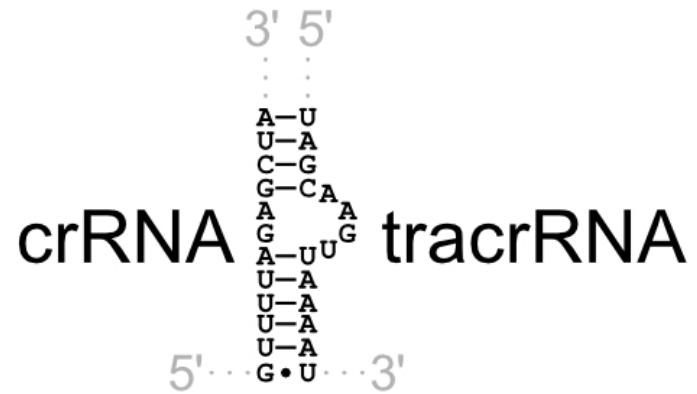


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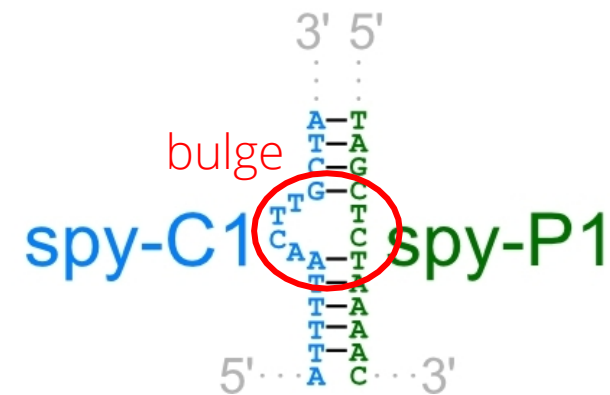
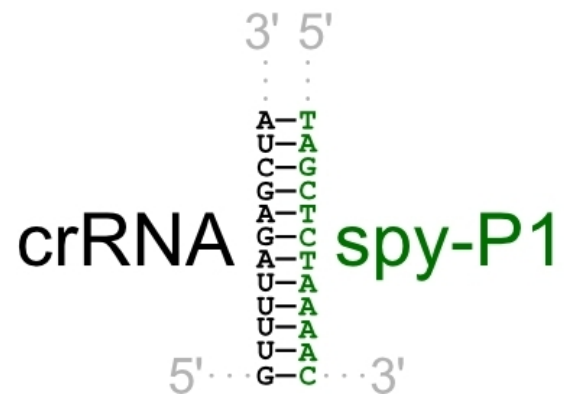
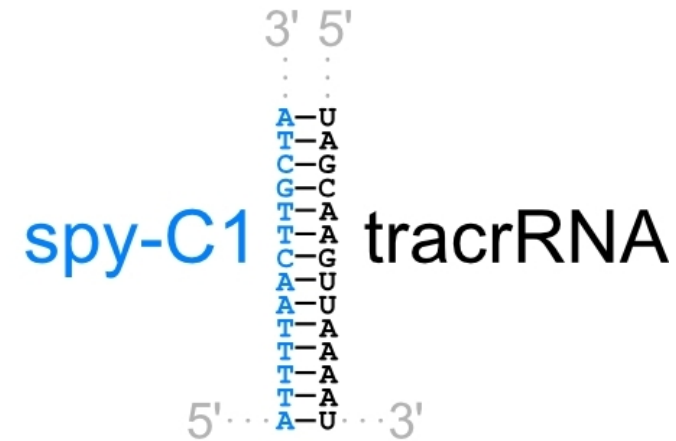
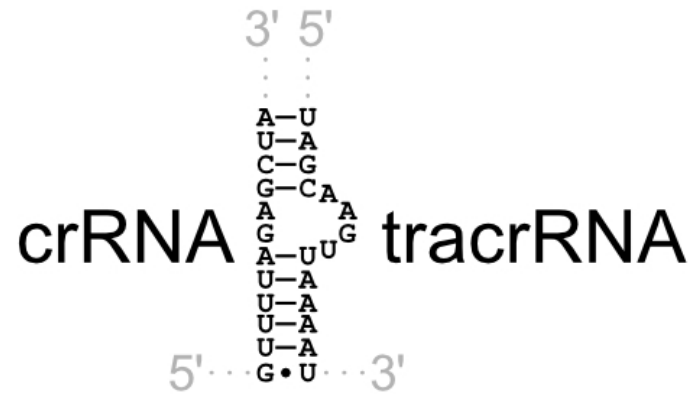




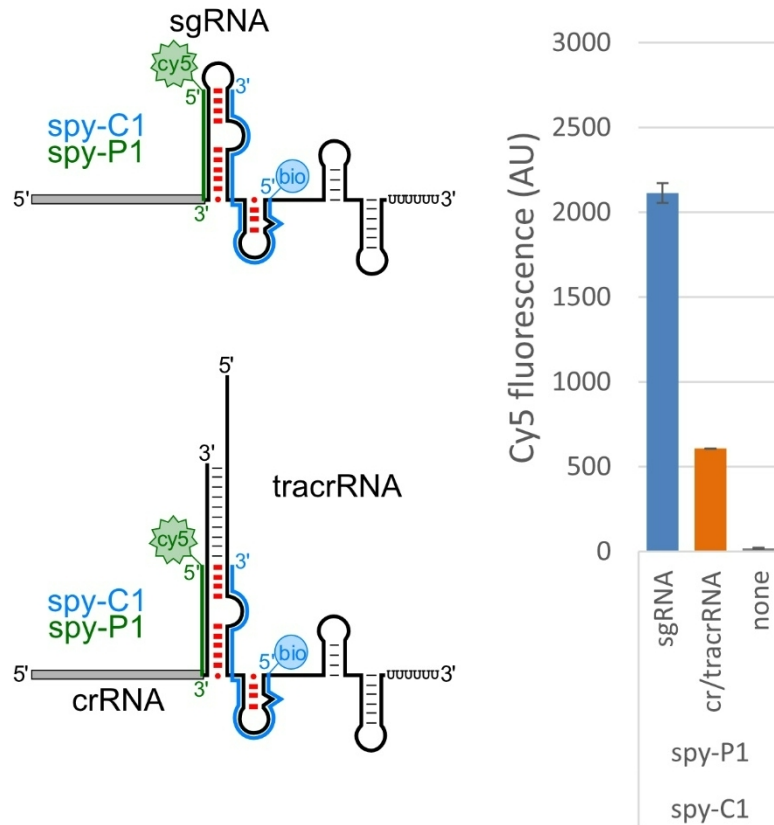
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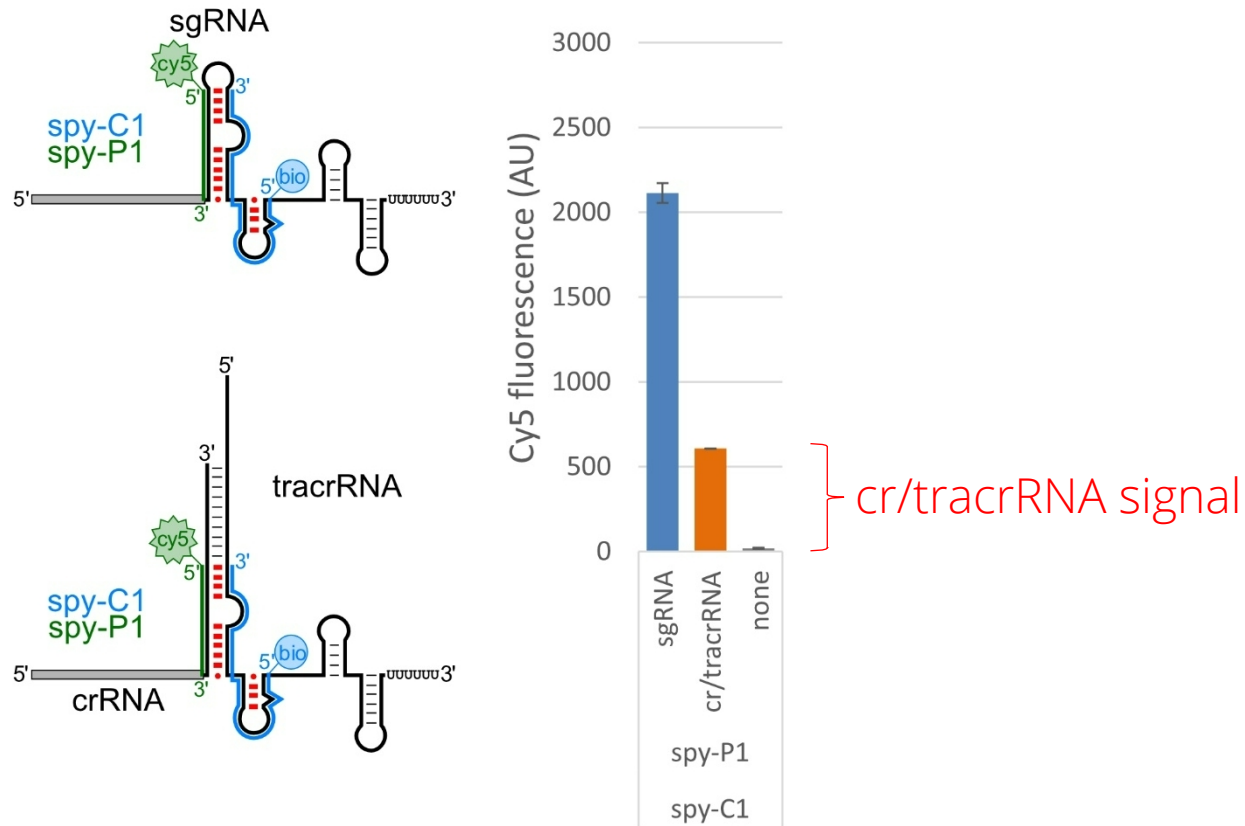
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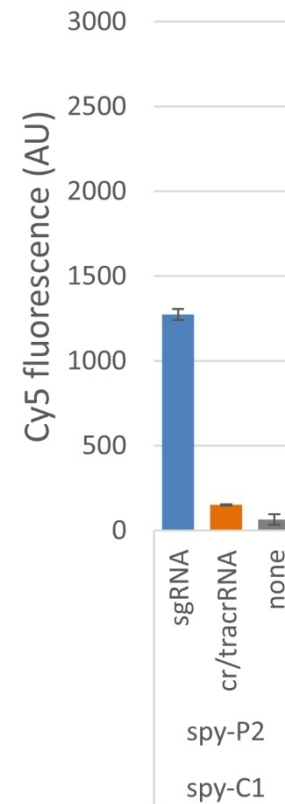
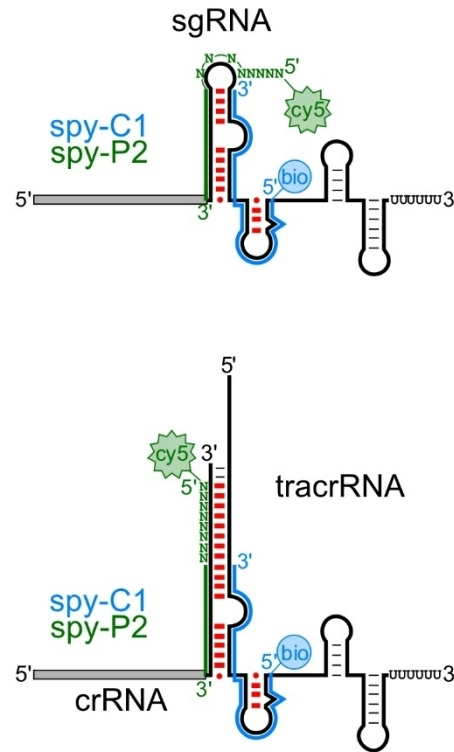
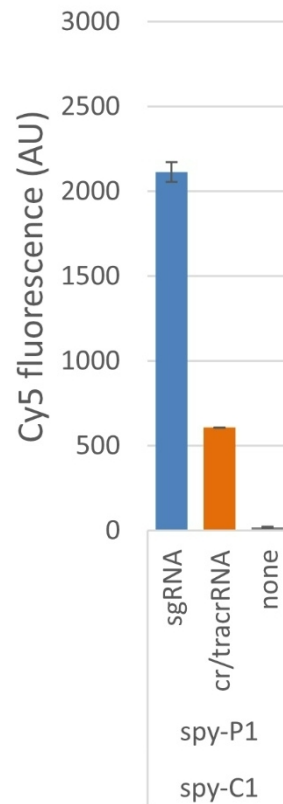
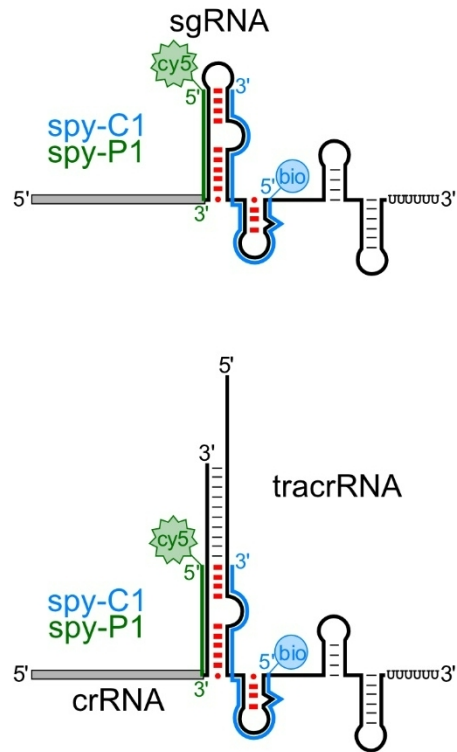
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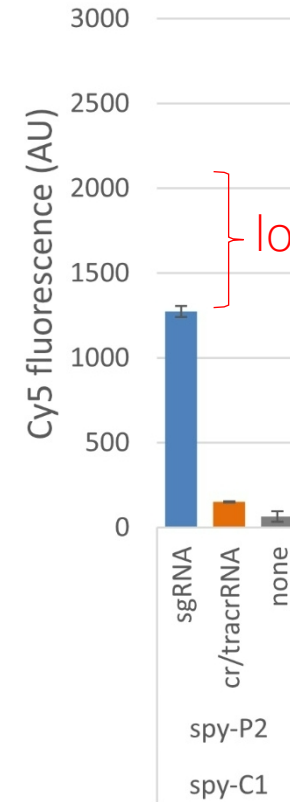
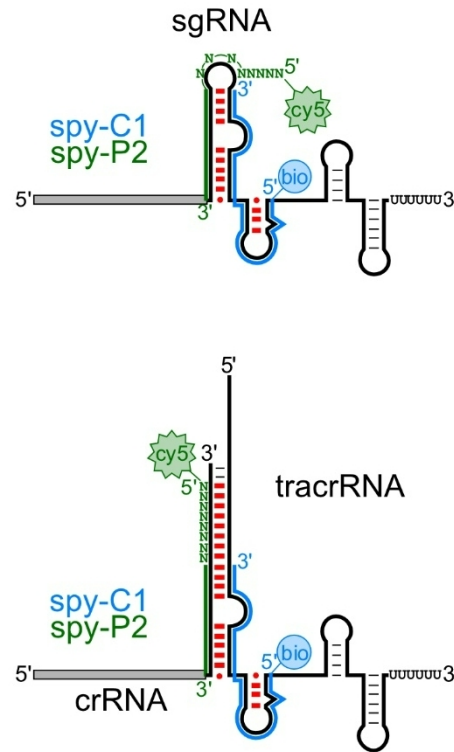
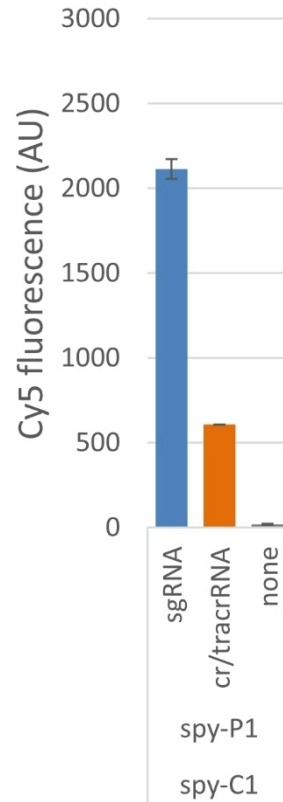
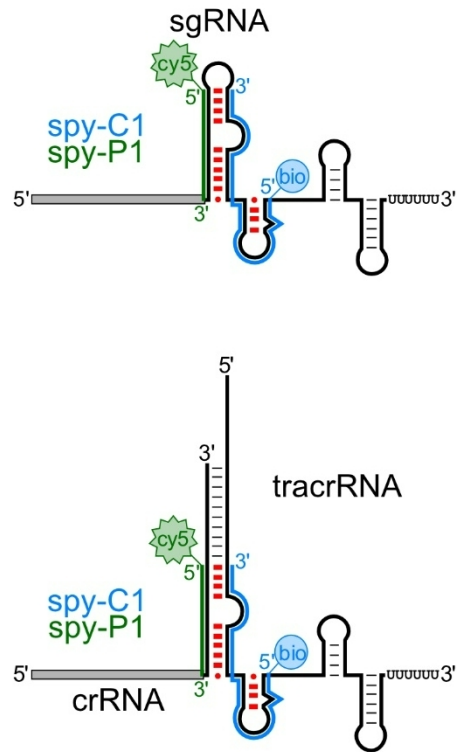
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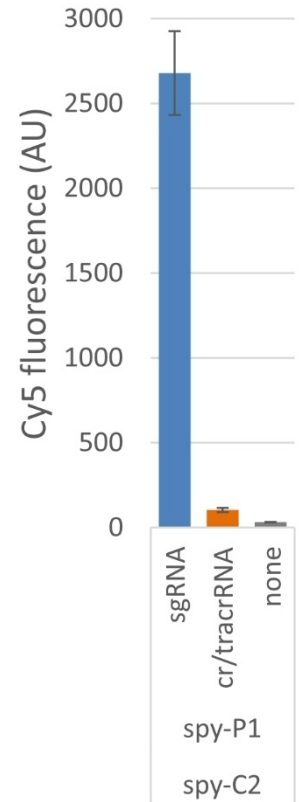
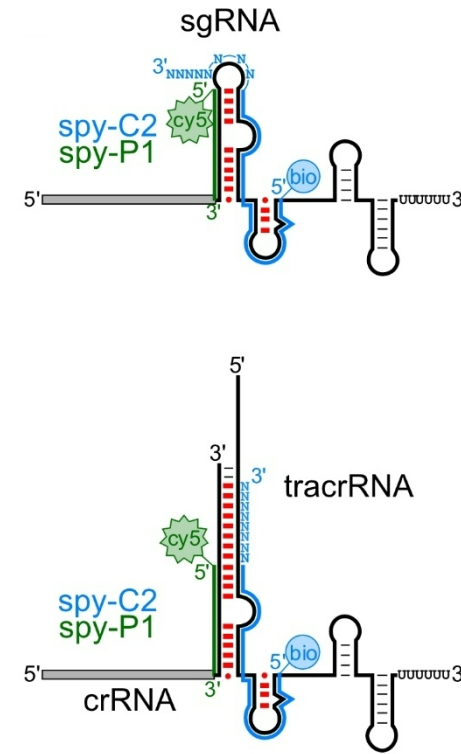
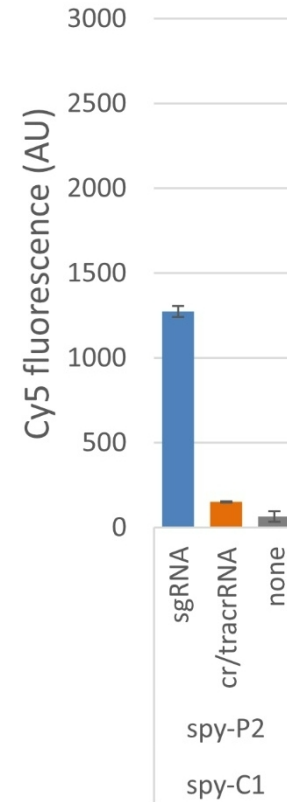
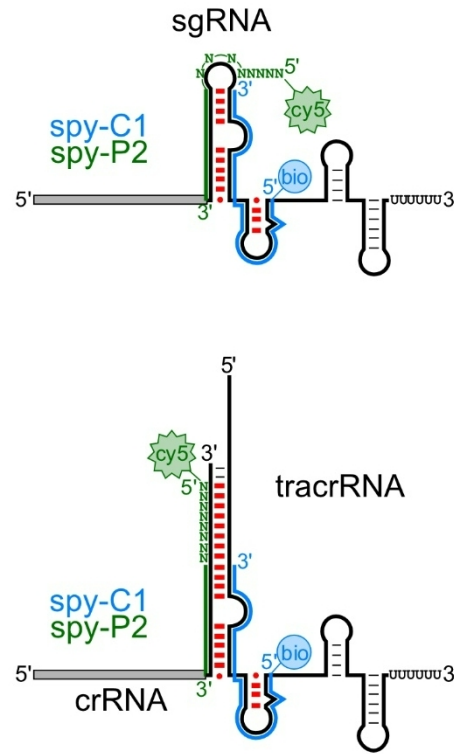
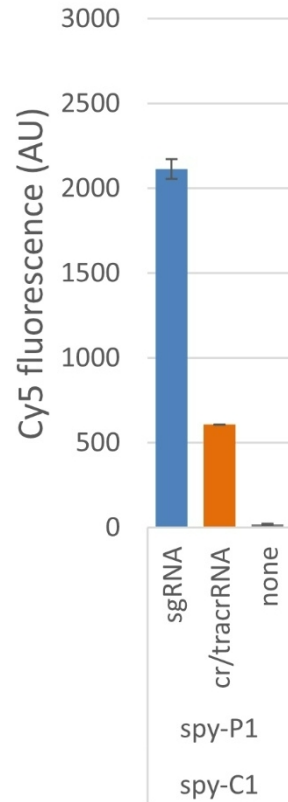
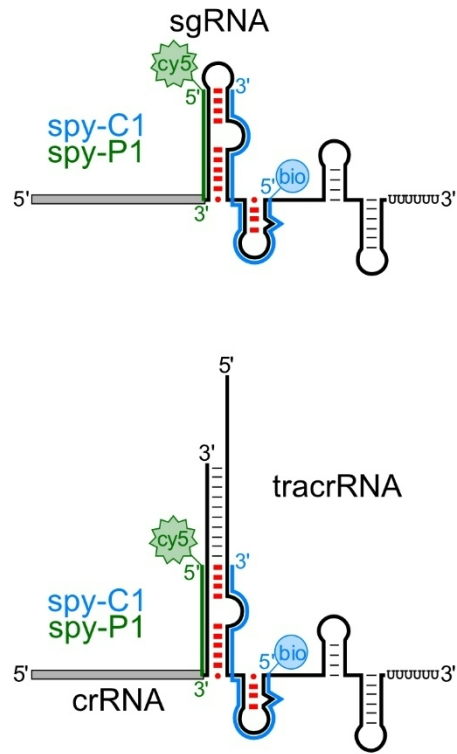
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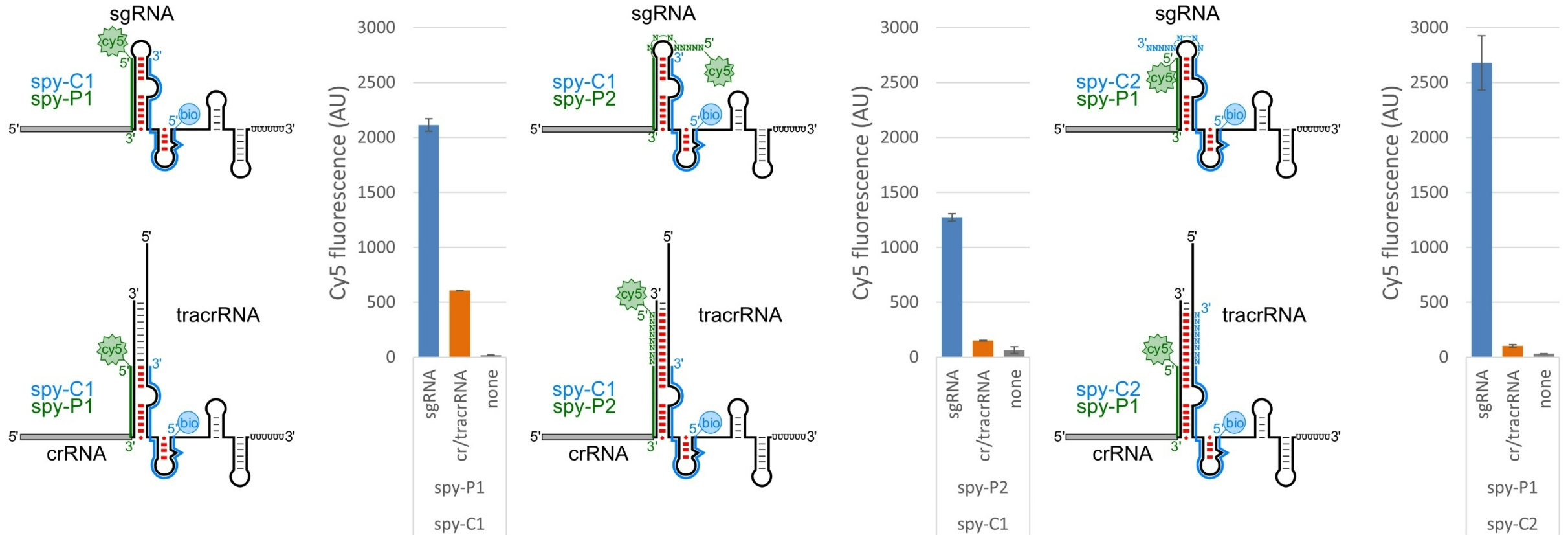
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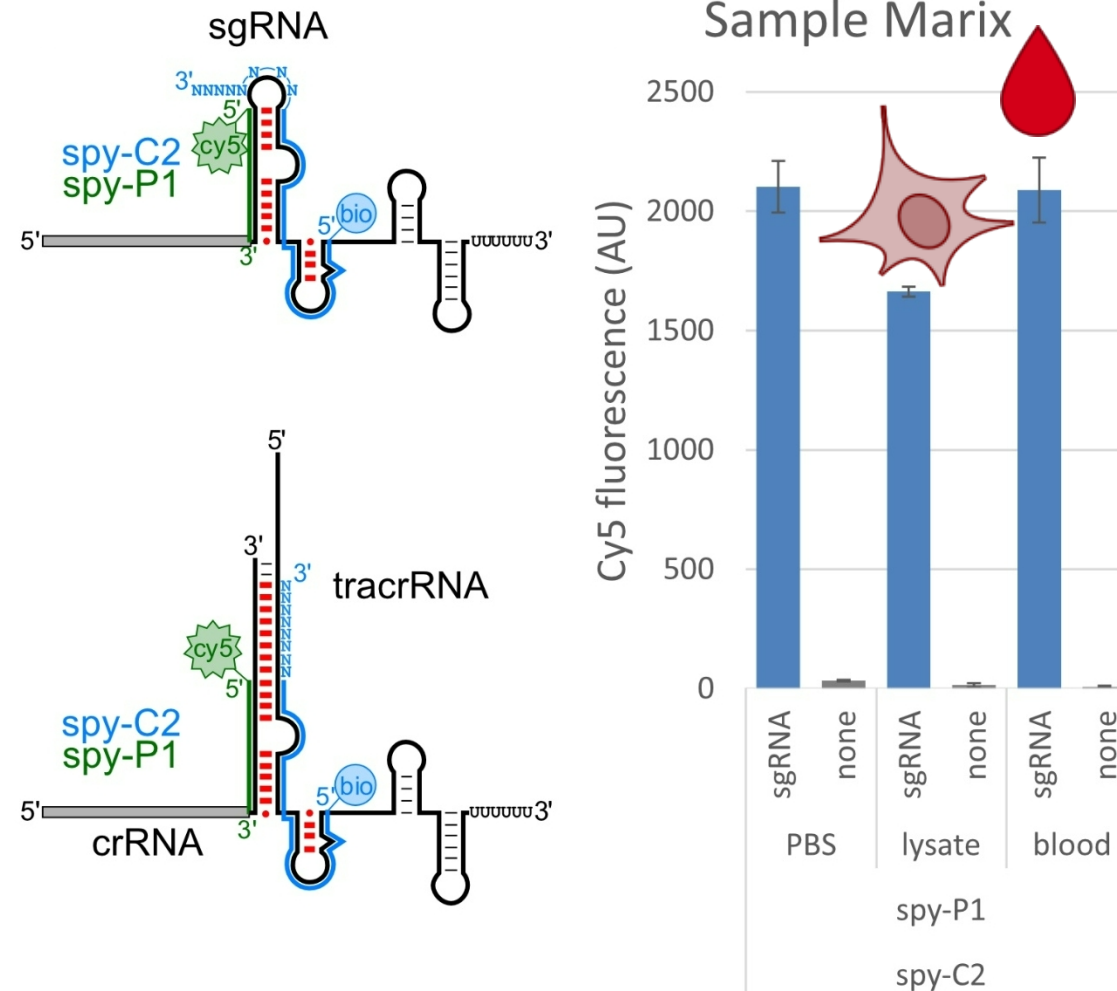


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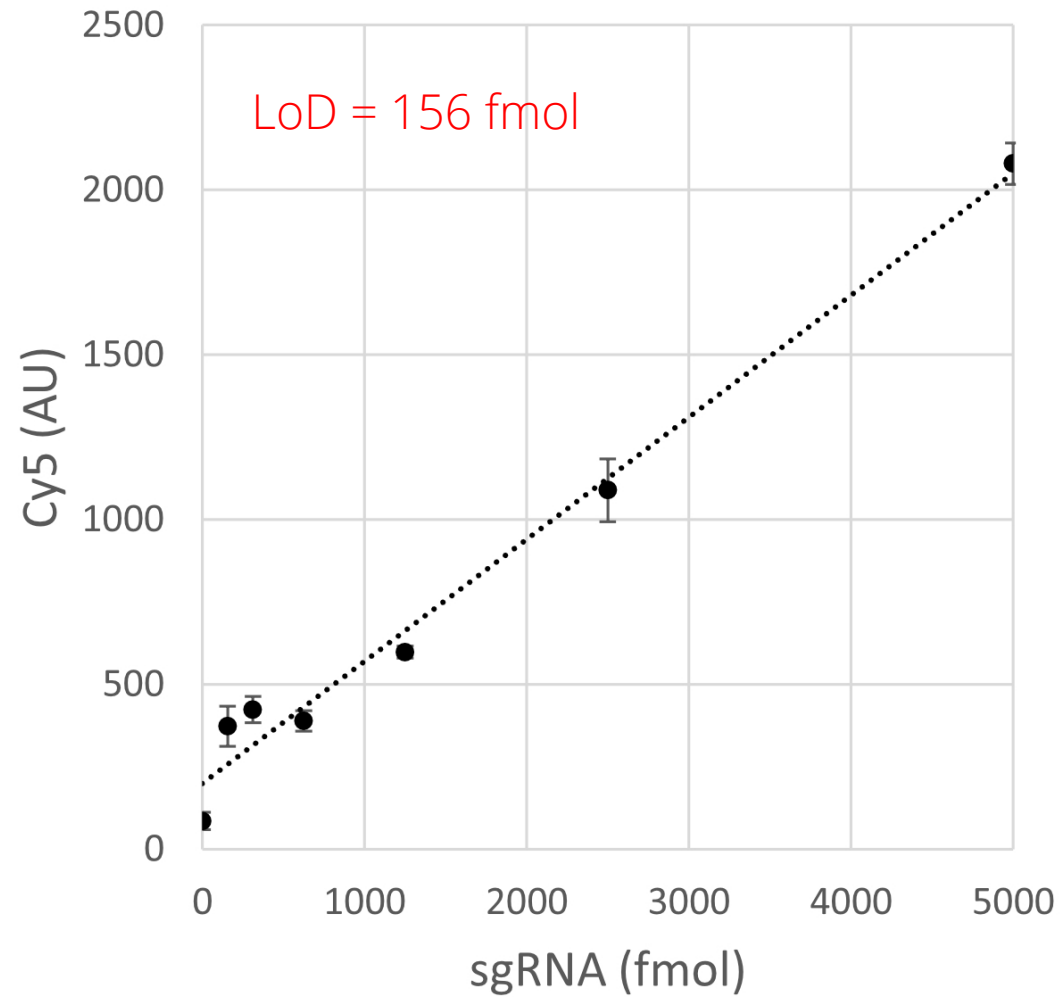


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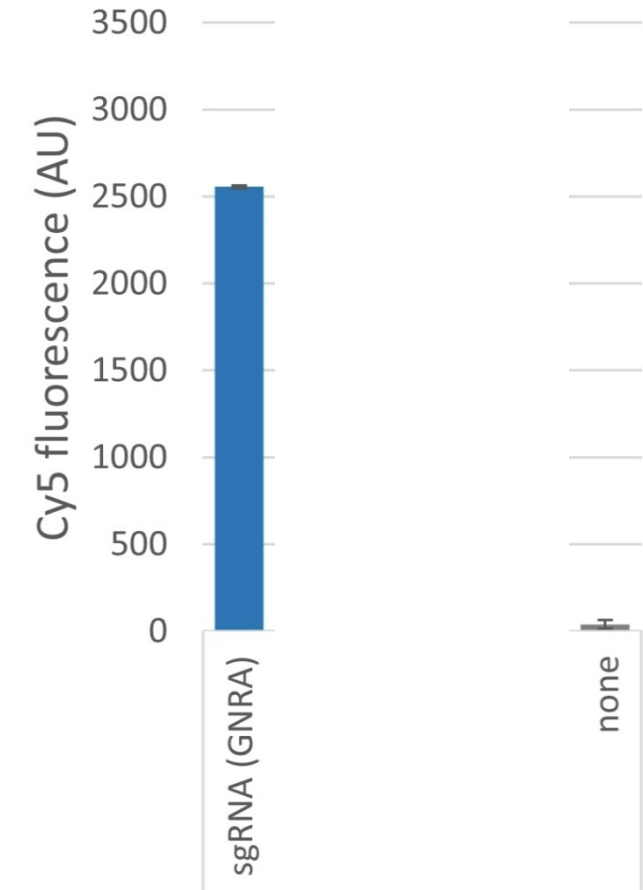
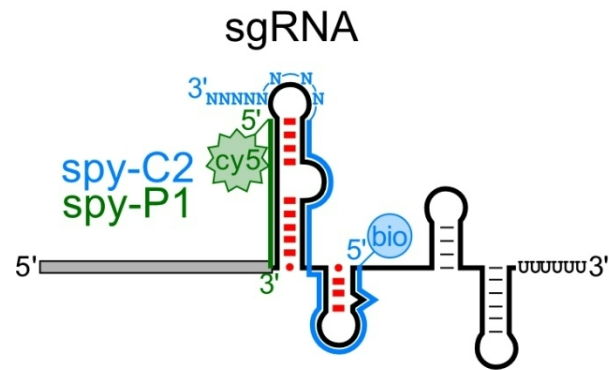
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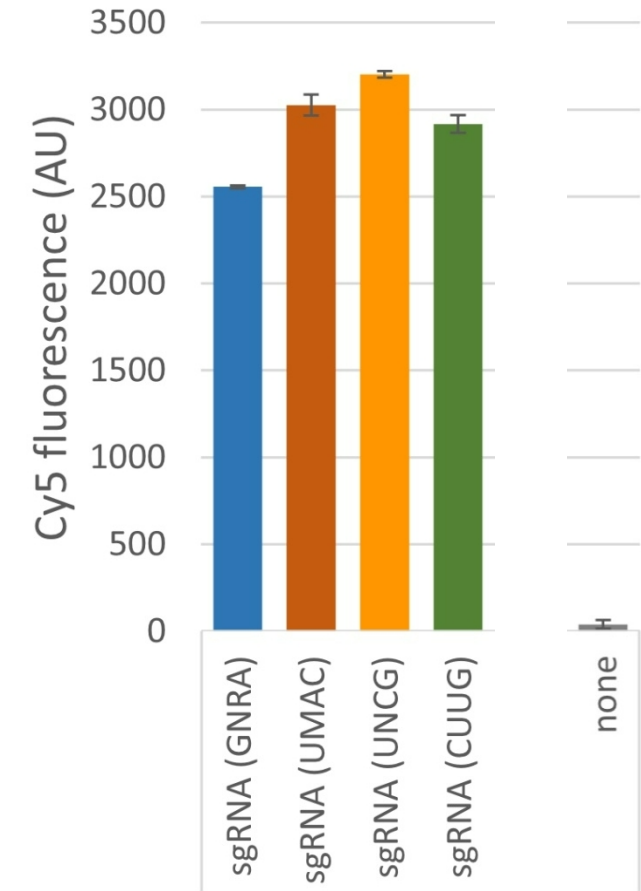
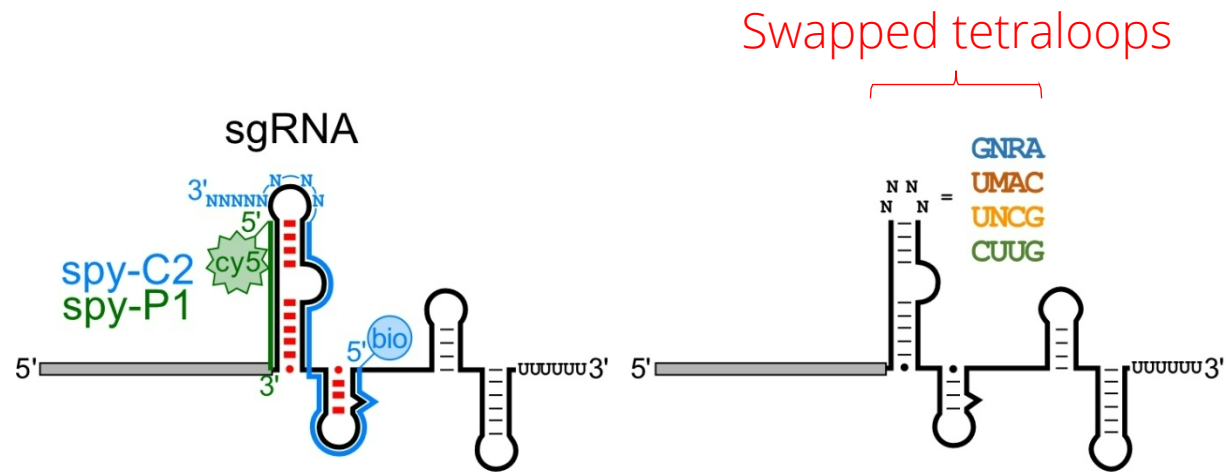
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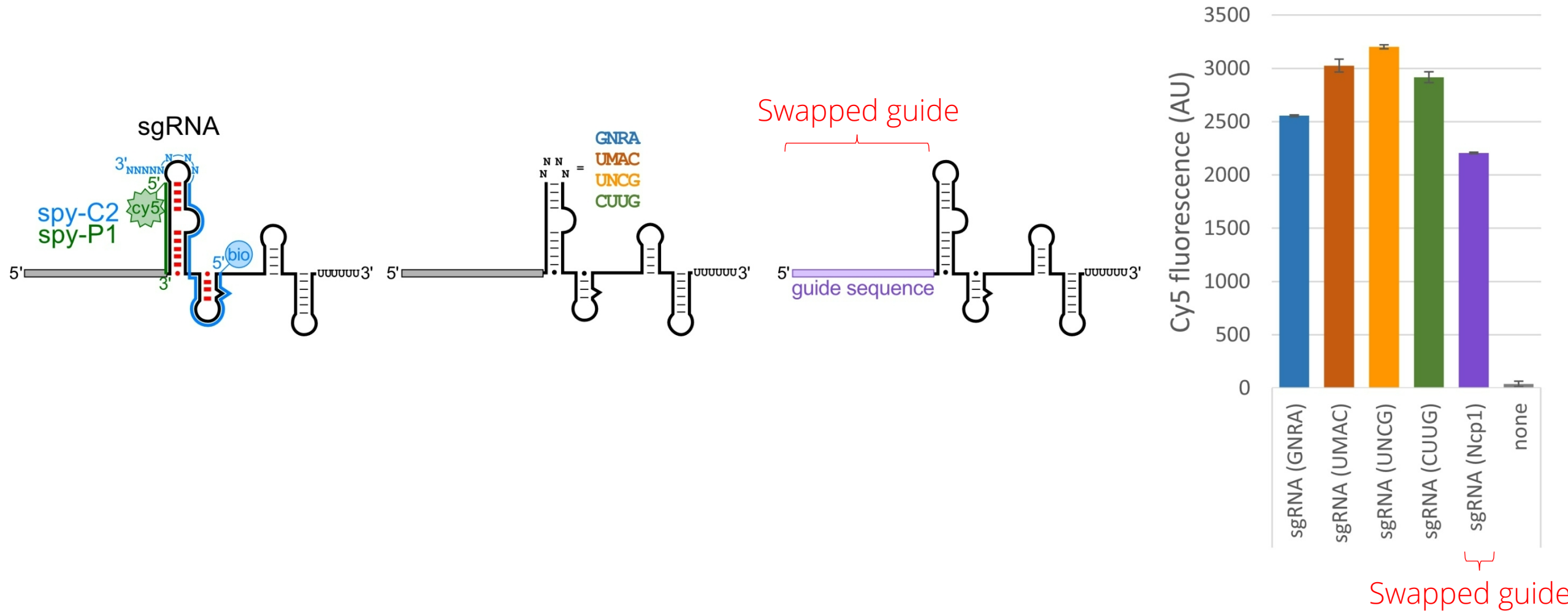


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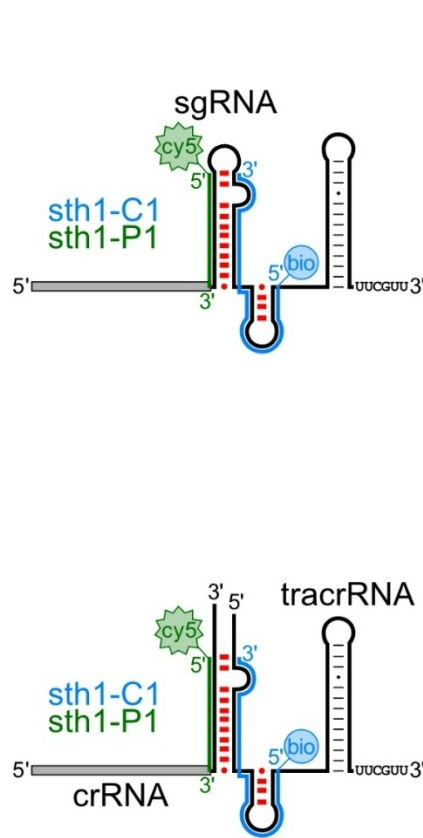
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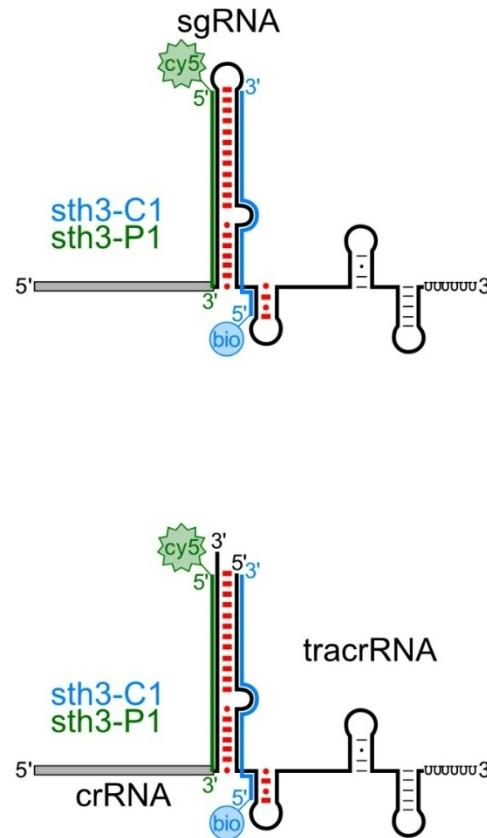


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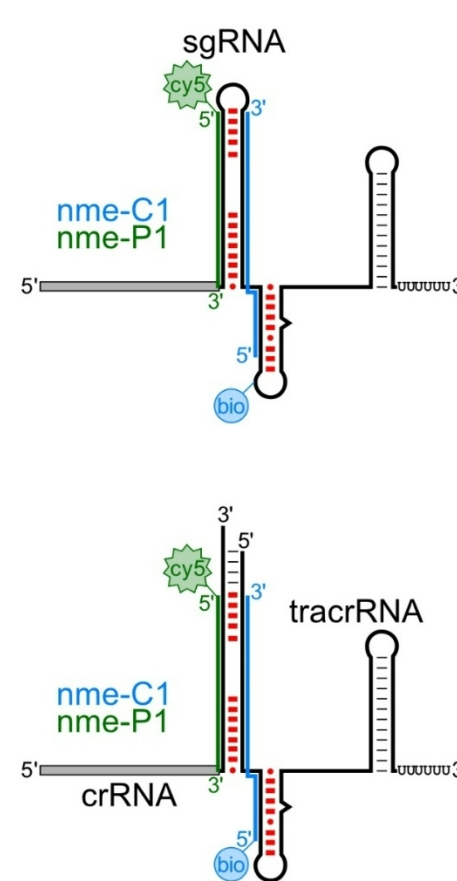
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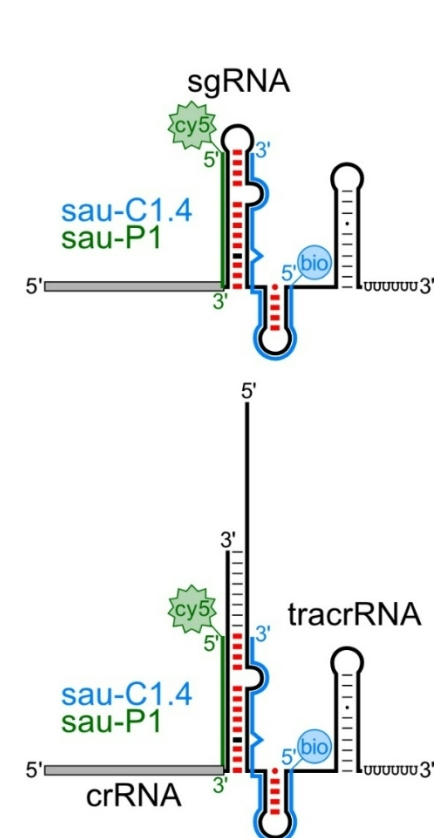
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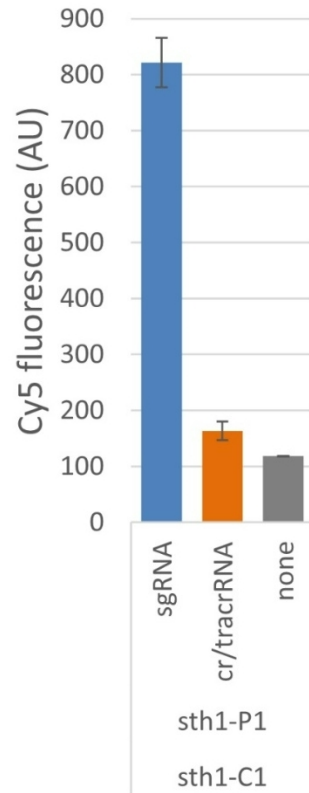
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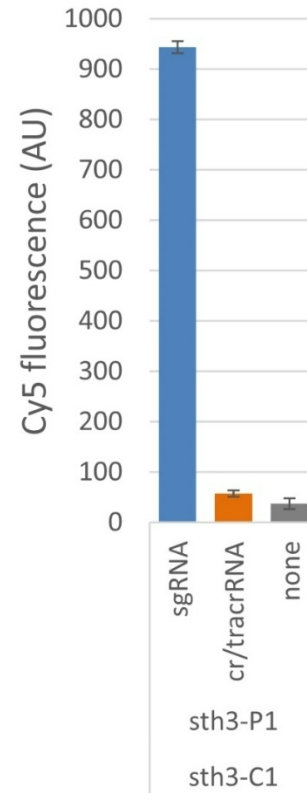


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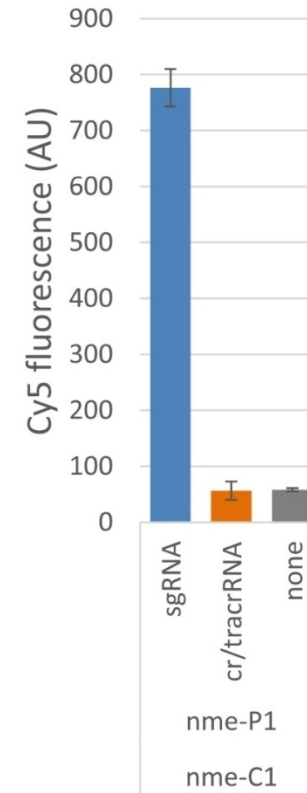
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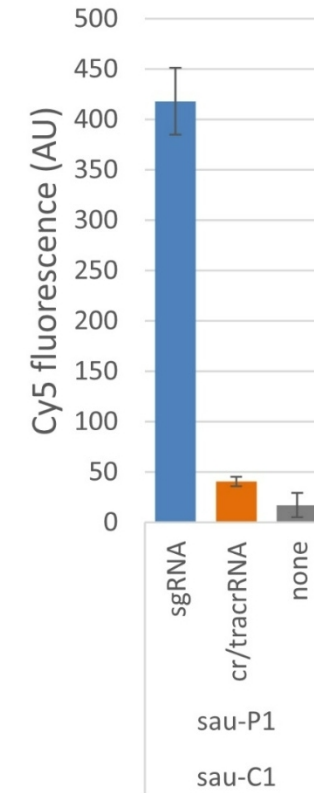
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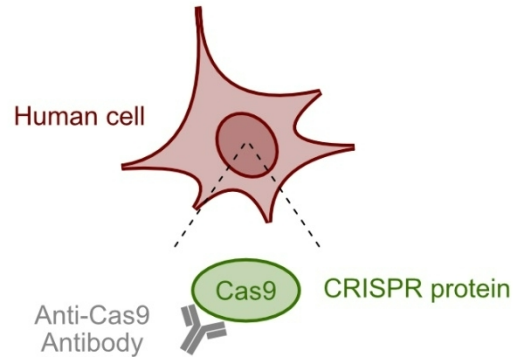
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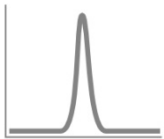
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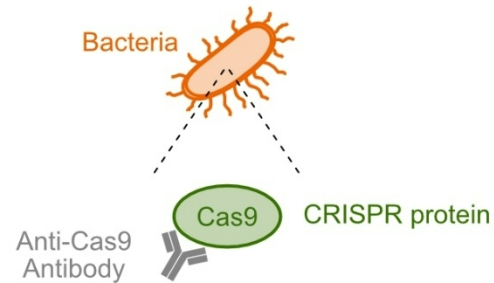
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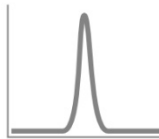
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**Scenario 2:**  
Common human  
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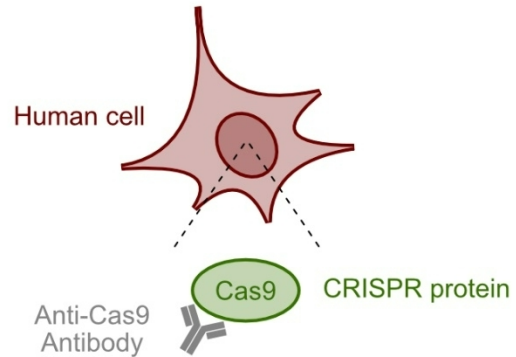
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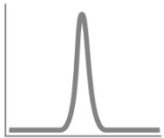
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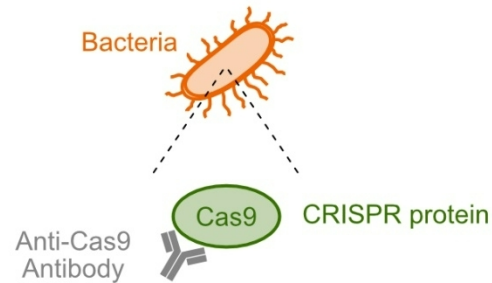
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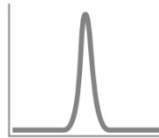
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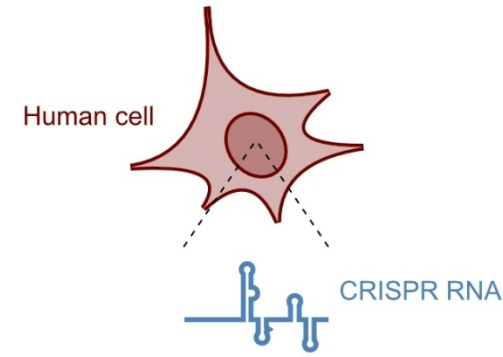


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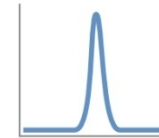


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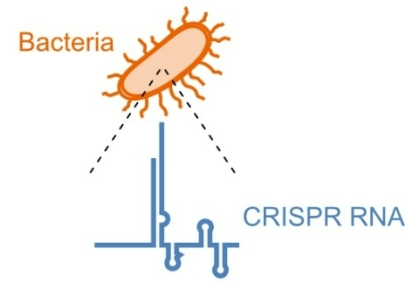
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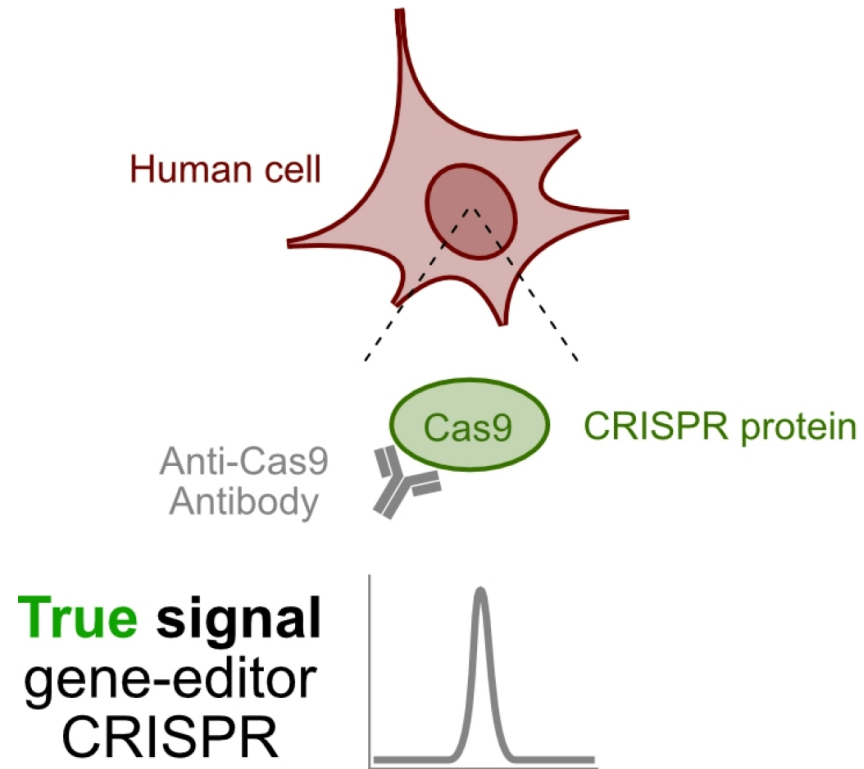


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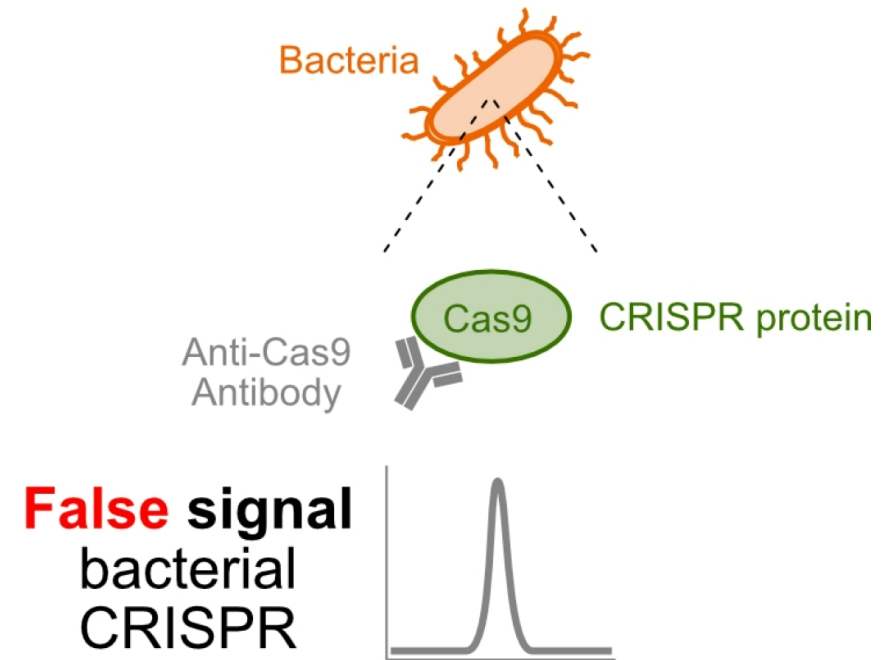


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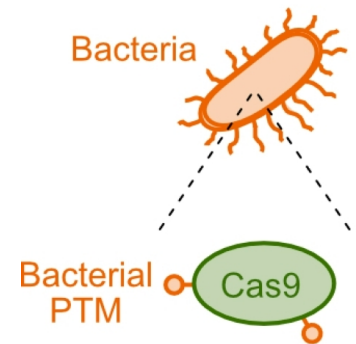
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# Protein Modifications as a Moiety for Gene-editor Exposure

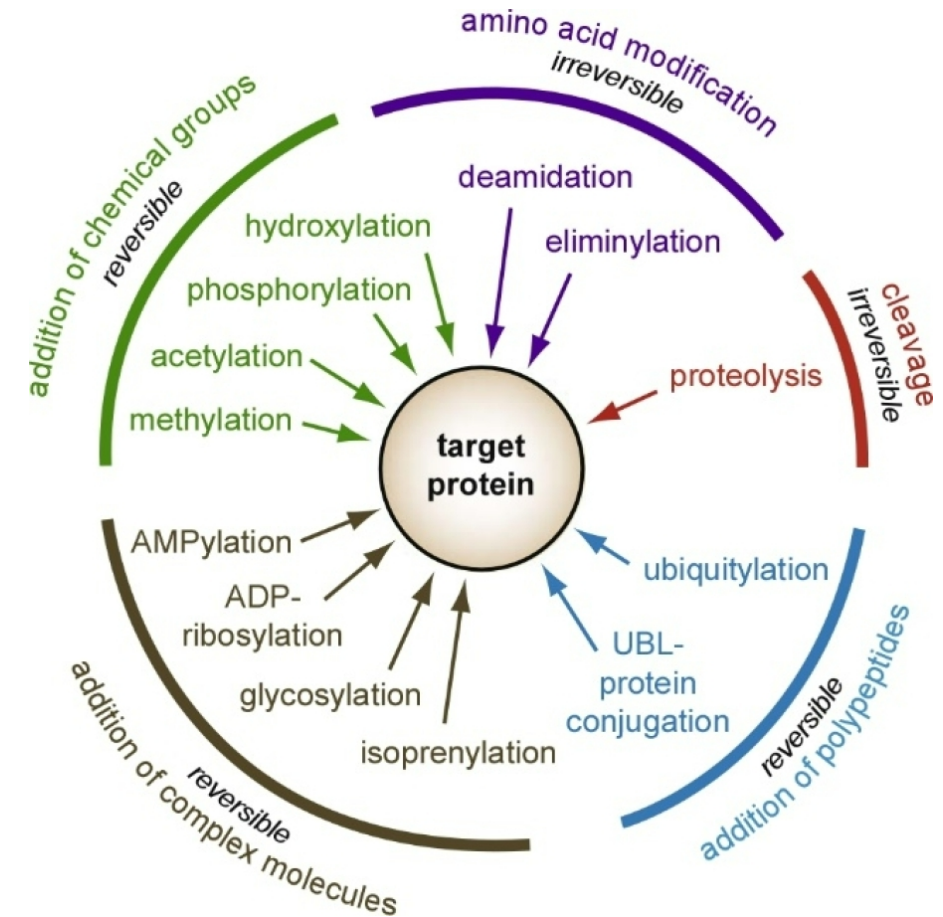
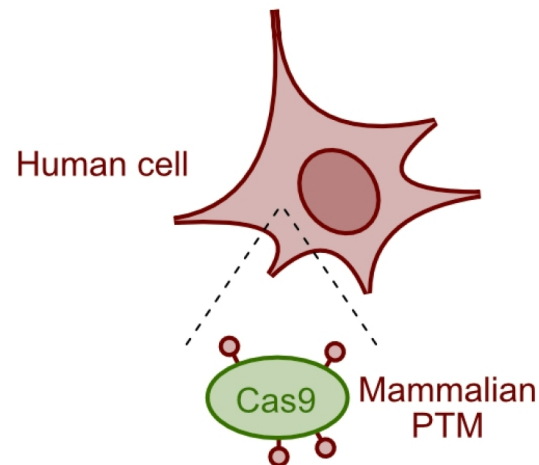
## Natural bacterial CRISPR

Protects against foreign DNA

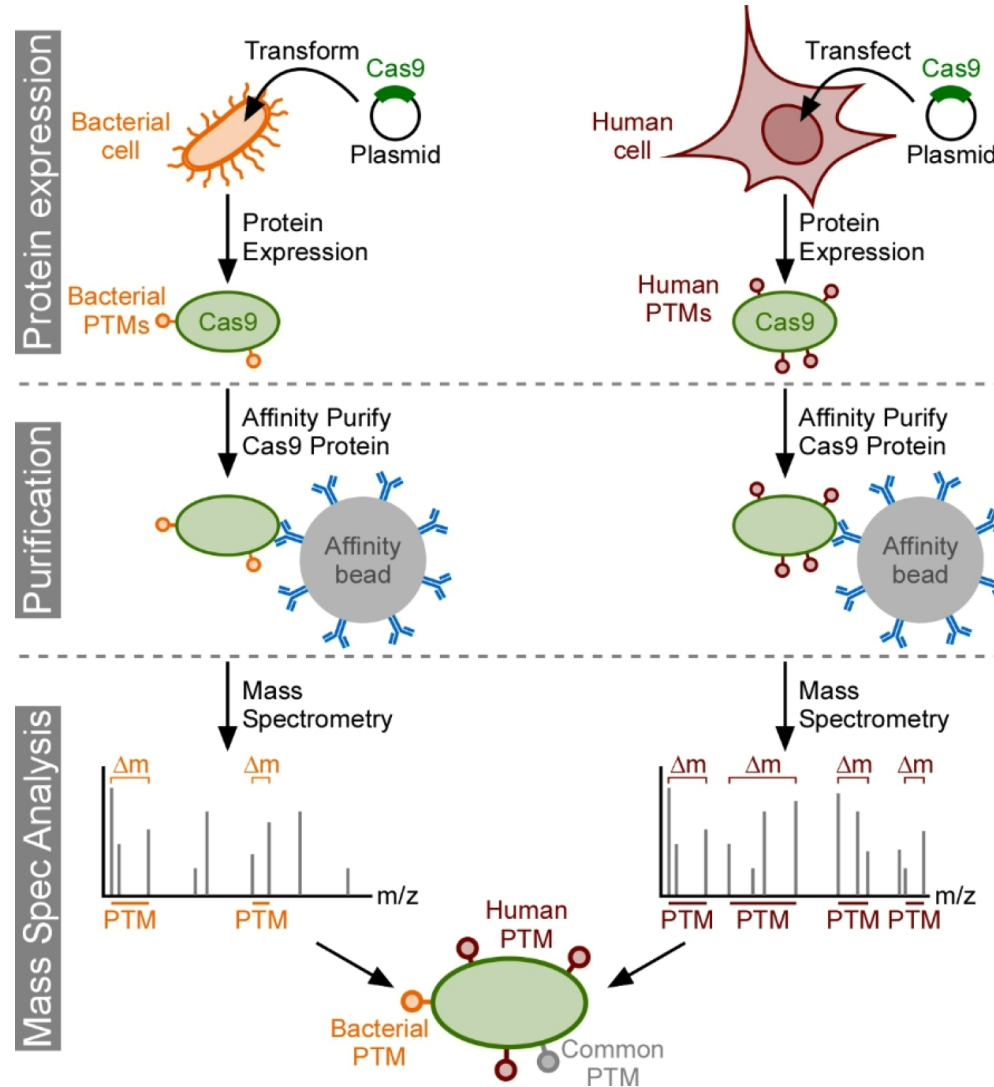


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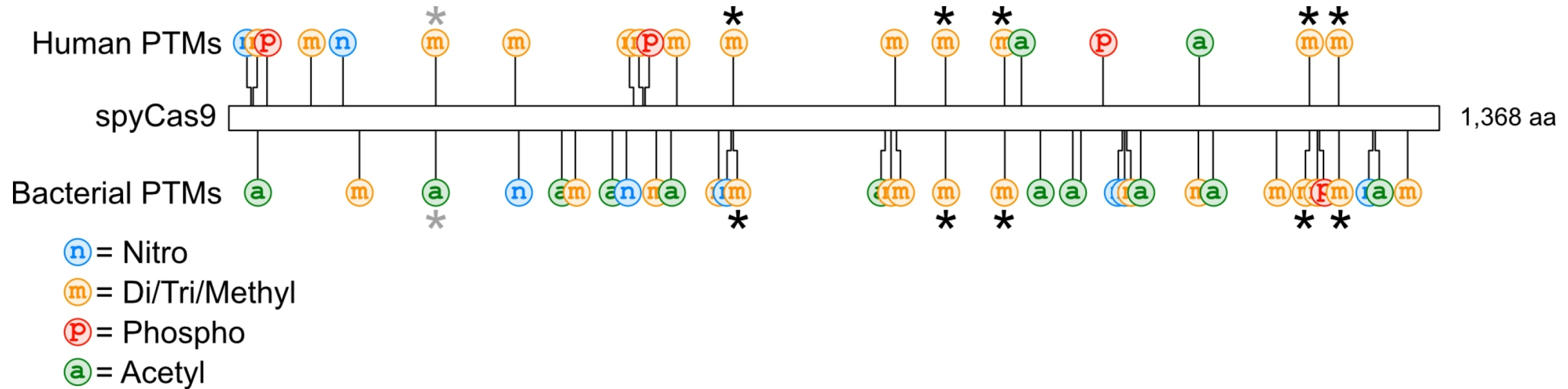
Alter genomic DNA sequence



# Discovering Post Translational Modifications

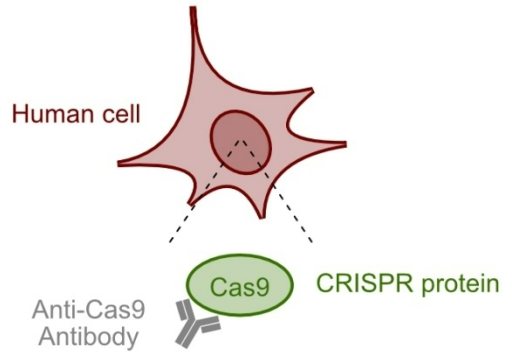


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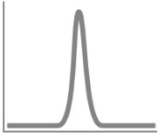


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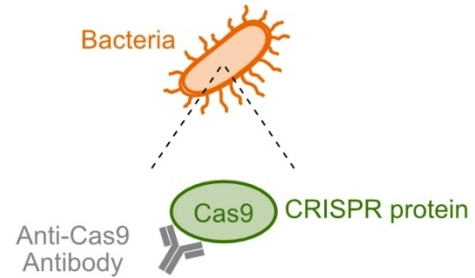
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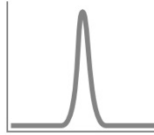
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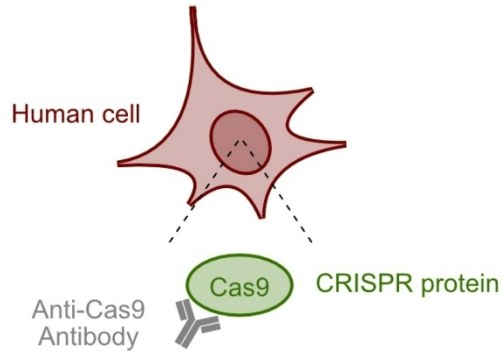
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CRISPR



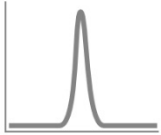


# Specific CRISPR Gene-editor Detection

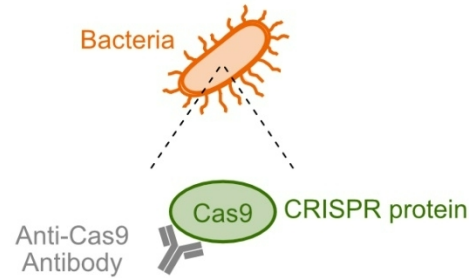
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Human gene-editor exposure



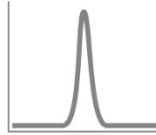
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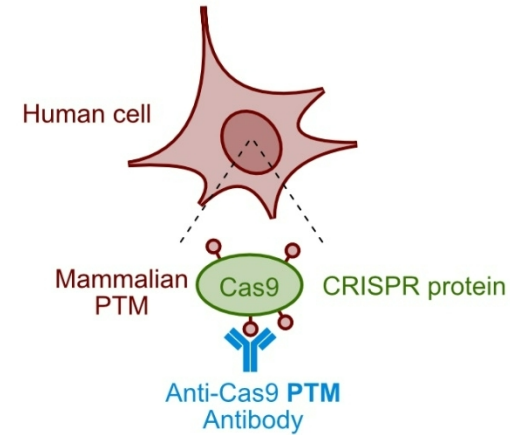
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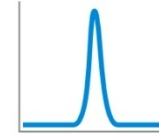
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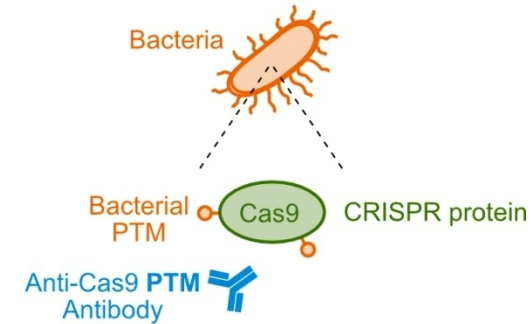
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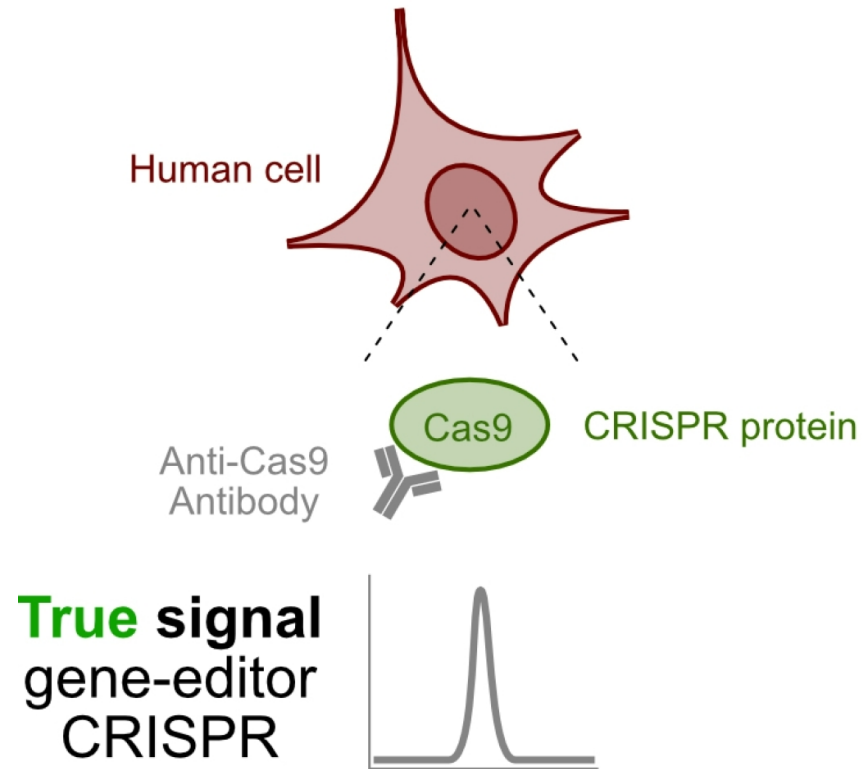


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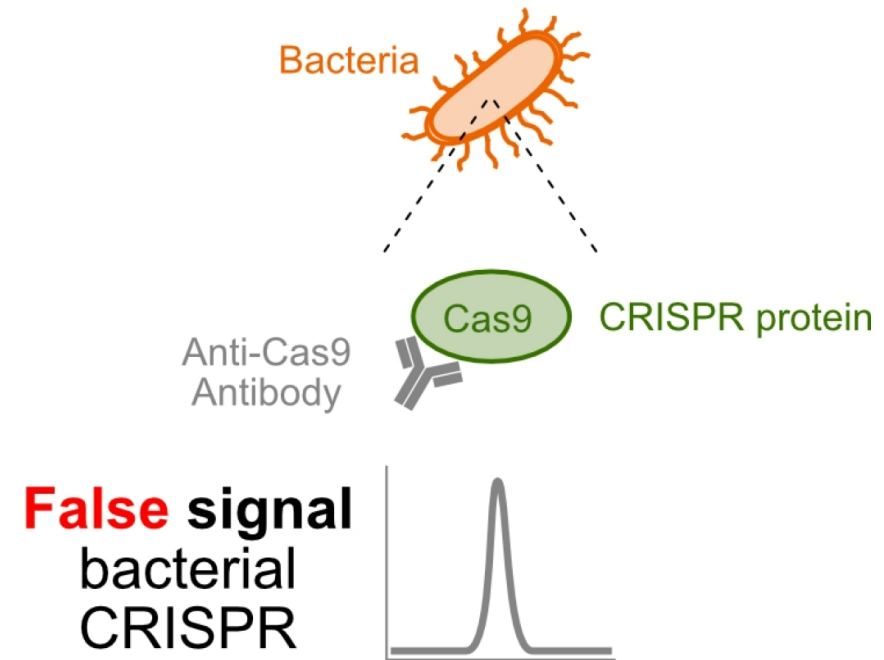


# Current Detection Limitations

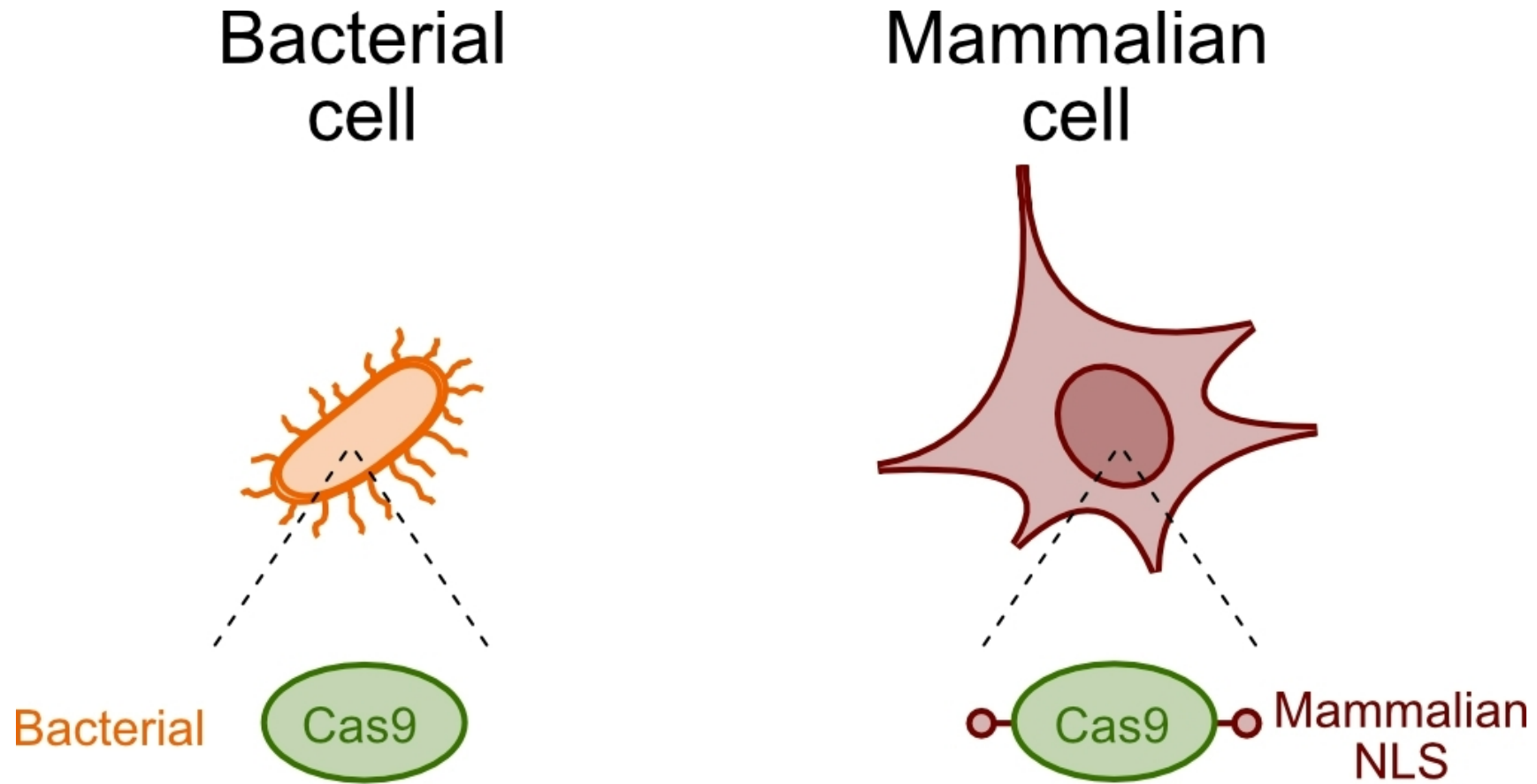
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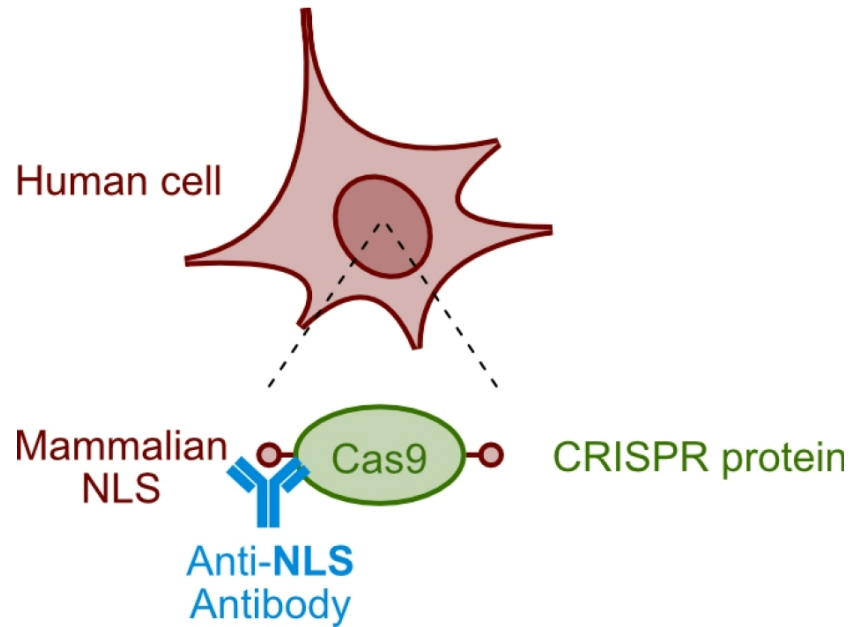
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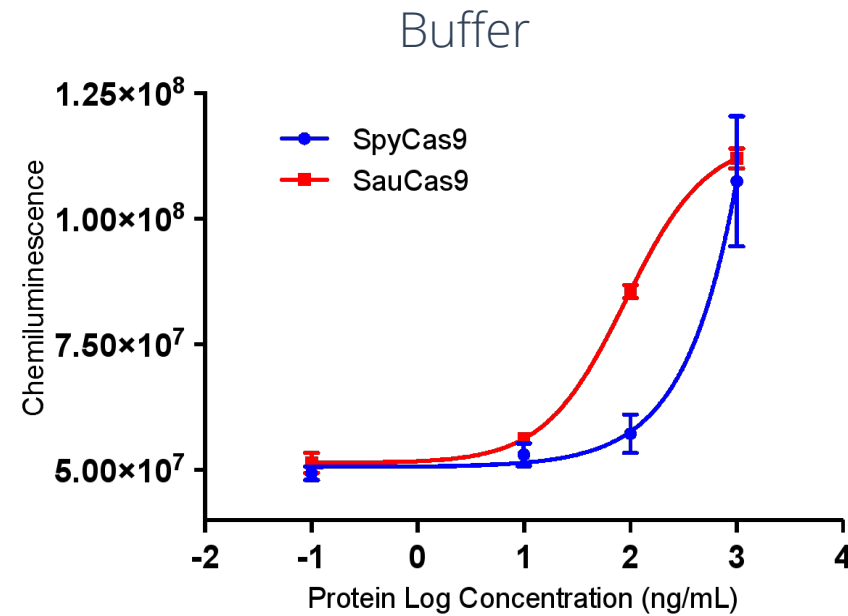
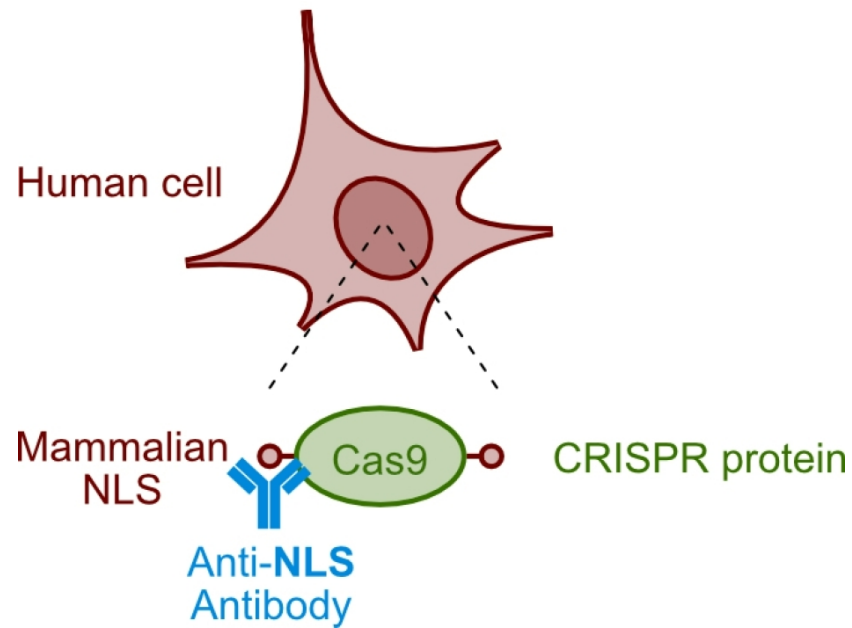
# Cas9 Protein Fusion as a Moiety for Gene-editor Exposure



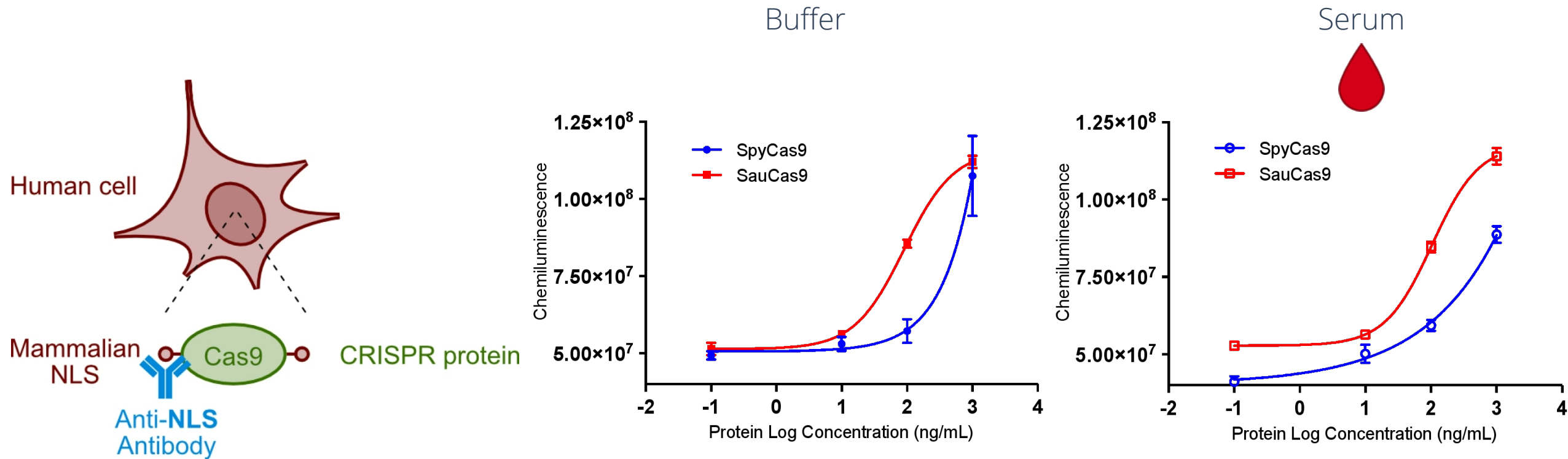
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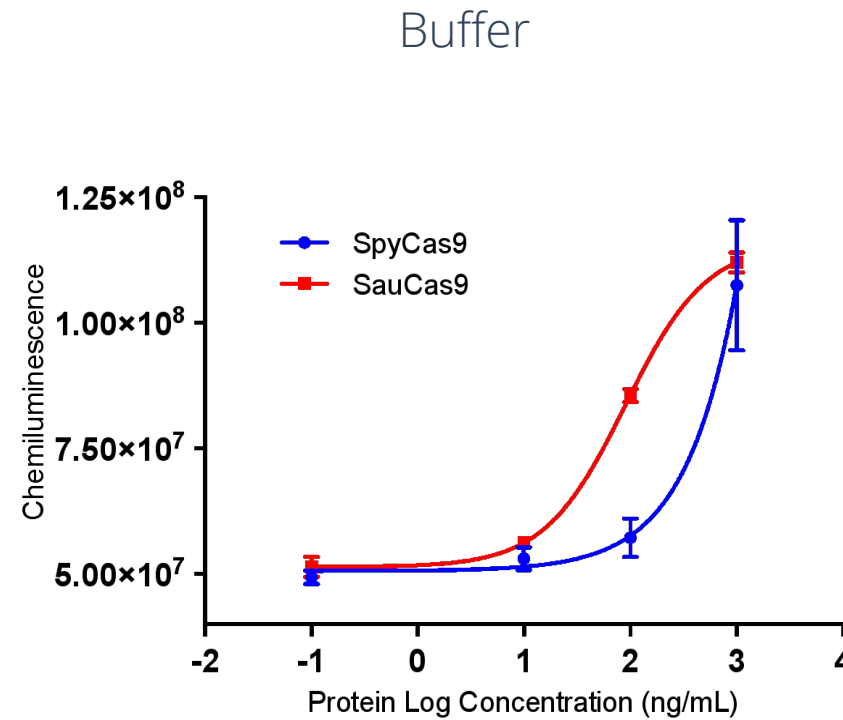
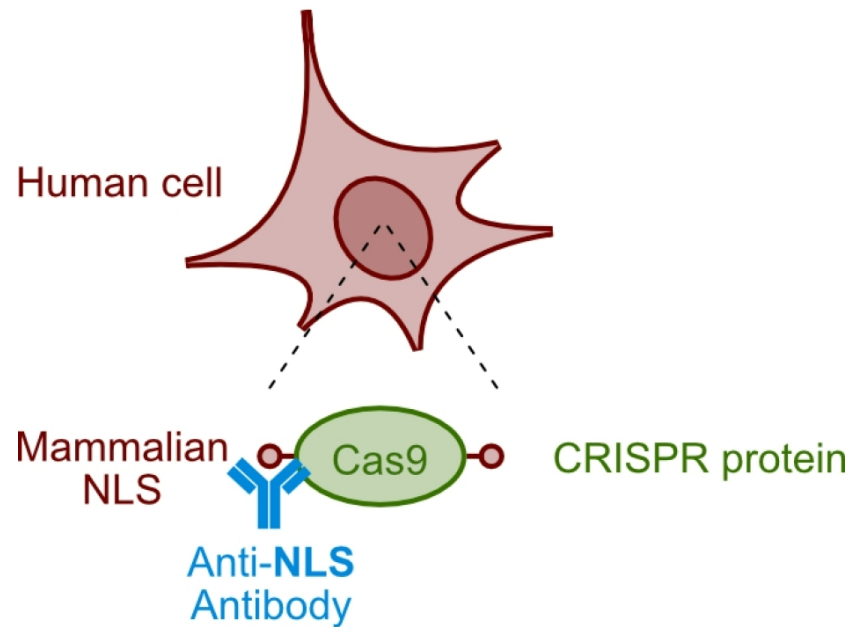
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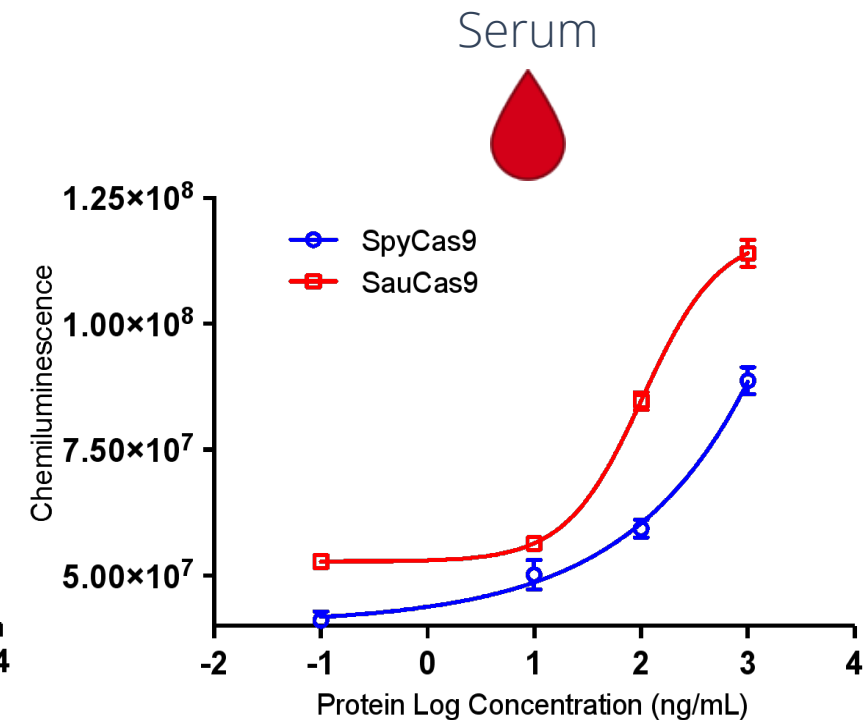
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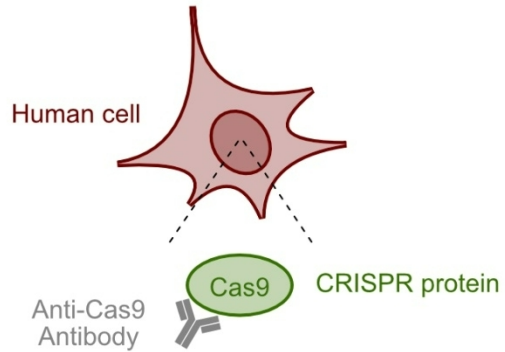
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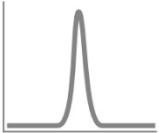
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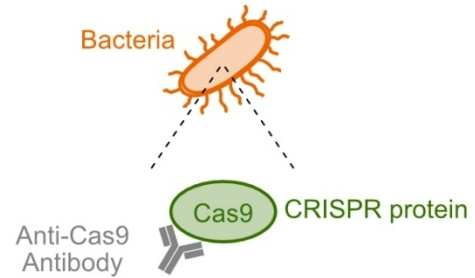
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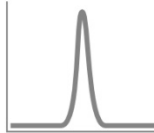
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## Scenario 2: Common human pathogen infection



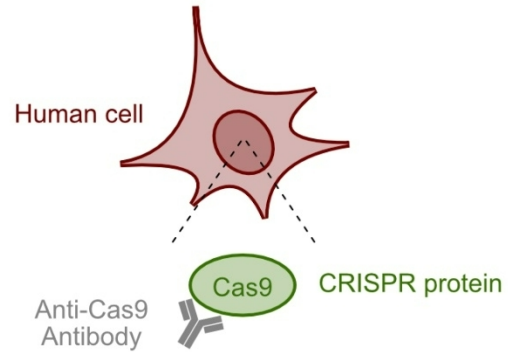
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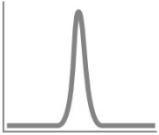


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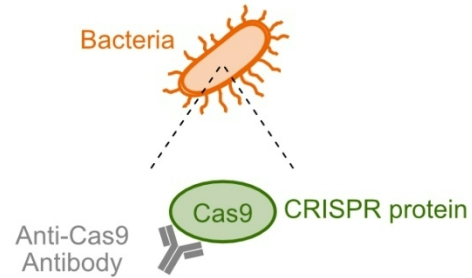
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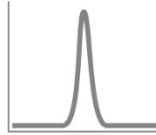
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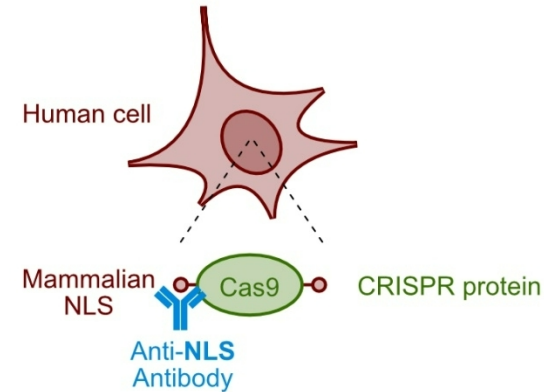
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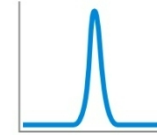
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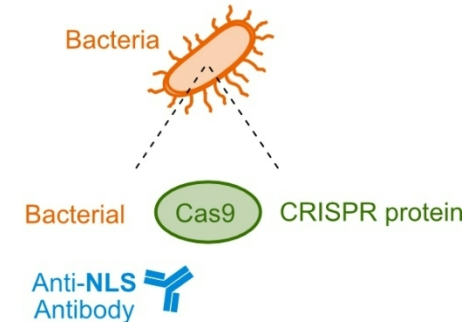
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