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Genetic Engineering in Medicine,
Agriculture, and Law

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Lecture 2
The Age of DNA: What Is Genetic
Engineering-Part Two











THEMES

- 1. Spectacular Examples of Genetic Engineering 1.0 What Can Be Done?
- 2. What Does Genetic Engineering Tell Us About Basic Genetic Processes in All Organisms?
- 3. The Future is Here Genetic Engineering 2.0!
- 4. Genetic Engineering Anything New?
- 5. Are Vegetables Engineered Demonstration
- 6. Classical vs. 21st Century Genetic Engineering -
- 7. Is Science Hocus Pocus or a Precise Process?
- 8. Understanding Basic Genetic Processes Understanding How Genetic Engineering Uses Natural Rules of the Cell (i.e., it isn't magic)!



Last Lecture - Age of DNA & Genetic Engineering: Part One

Today's Class - Age of DNA & Genetic Engineering: Part Two

Genetic Engineering - Spectacular Examples

Genetic Engineering - Anything New?

Recall: The Era Of DNA Manipulation Means.....

- 1. Specific DNA Sequence and/or Gene Can Be <u>Isolated</u> From Any Organism
- 2. DNA Segments of Any Kind From Any Organism Can Be Combined
- 3. Isolated Genes Can Be Re-Inserted Into the Chromosomes of Any Organism and Made to Work

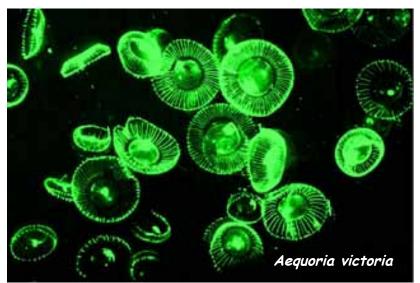
The Critical Point - There Are No Genetic Limits. All Biological Organisms Use the Same Genetic Rules. The Implications Are Enormous!!



What Can Be Done With Genetic Engineering?

A Few Examples of Genetic Engineering 1.0

Using a Jellyfish Gene to Make Bacteria, Animals, and Plants Glow!!!!

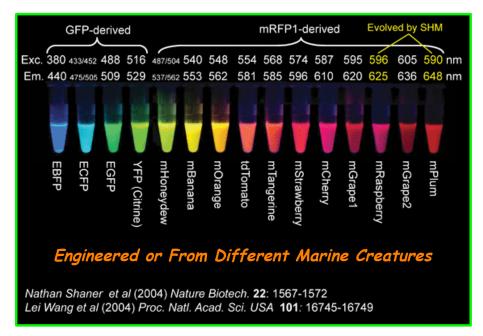


Green Fluorescence Protein (GFP)

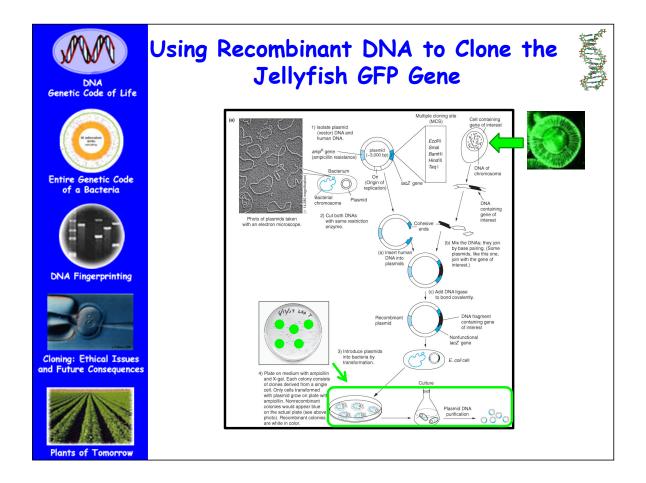
(238 amino acids)

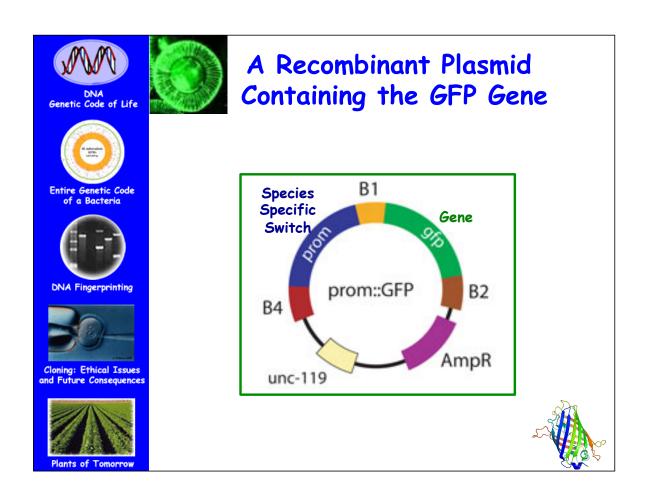
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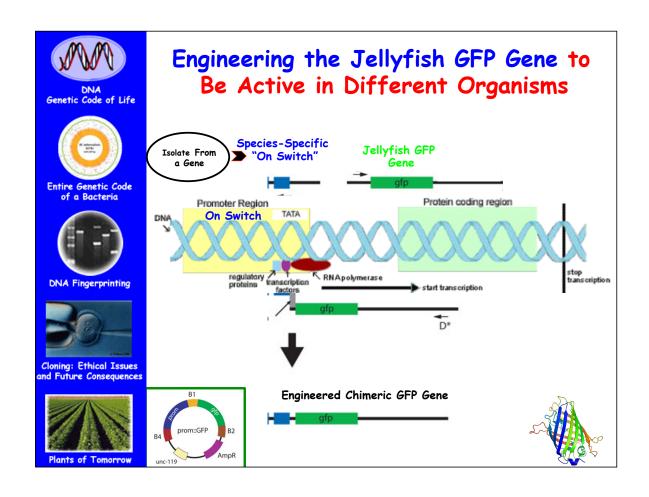
There Are Many Different Kinds of Fluorescing Proteins!



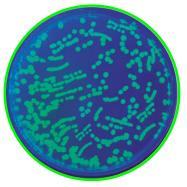
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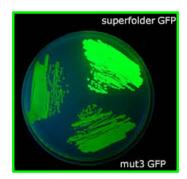




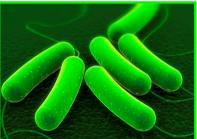


GloColi - *E. coli* Engineered With the Jellyfish GFP Gene!





E. Coli Switch + Jellyfish GFP Gene



E. Coli Synthesizes
GFP Protein!



Question One

Engineering E. coli to Express a Jellyfish GFP Gene Implies That Genetic Processes in Bacteria and Jellyfish Are Similar Even Though They Are Separated By One Billion Years of Evolution!

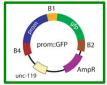
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Engineering a "GloFish"......



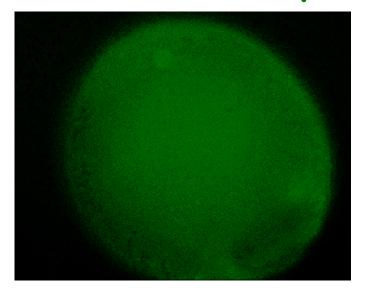
ZebrafishDanio rerio





......Using Genetic Engineering To Insert A Jellyfish Gene into a Zebrafish Egg!

A "GloFish" Embryo!!





Zebrafish - Danio rerio

Genetically Engineered "GloFish!!"



Note Different Fluorescing Colors - Due to Different Jellyfish Genes



GloFish Are Not Sold In California

(& Canada, or Europe)

- · Cal. Fish and Game Code § 15007 (2007)
- Regulation Makes it illegal to spawn, cultivate, or incubate any transgenic fish in the state controlled waters of the Pacific Ocean.
- Title 14, Section 671.1 CA Code of Regulations (2003)

Regulation. Movement of live transgenic aquatic animals from facilities is prohibited unless specifically permitted by the Department. Release of transgenic aquatic animals or their progeny into waters of the state is prohibited.

Genetic Engineering & the Law!!







How About a GloFly!



What About "GloMice!!!"



And Glo Monkeys, Cats and Pigs as Well!!









Engineering a GloPlant With the Same Jellyfish Gene!!!



What are the Philosophical and Biological Implications of These Experiments?



Question Two

Does Engineering Different Organisms With a Chimeric GloFish Gene Indicate that Genes Work Independently of Other Genes?

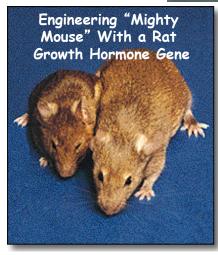
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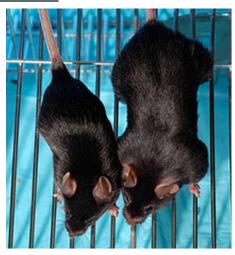
Dramatic growth of mice that develop from eggs microinjected with metallothionein-growth hormone fusion genes

Richard D. Palmiter[†], Ralph L. Brinster[†], Robert E. Hammer[†], Myrna E. Trumbauer[†], Michael G. Rosenfeld[‡], Neal C. Birnberg[§] & Ronald M. Evans[§]



Nature, December, 1982 ~33 Years Ago!





How About a Salmon That Grows Faster Using a Fish Growth Hormone Gene?



GENETIC ENGINEERING

Genetically-modified salmon are closer than ever to a dinner plate near you

The super salmon are (almost) here. The Food and Drug Administration has reportedly finished its evaluation of the environmental impacts of the first fish genetically engineered (GE) for human consumption.

FDA expected to approve Genetically Modified Salmon

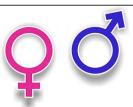
AQUAADVANTAGE SALMON | JANUARY 3, 2013 | BY: MARK WACHTLER | + Subscribe

FDA faces opposition over genetically engineered salmon

A group of eight senators is asking the FDA to cease consideration of the fish as food, and is threatening to pull funding for the study if the agency does not comply.

What's a GMO?





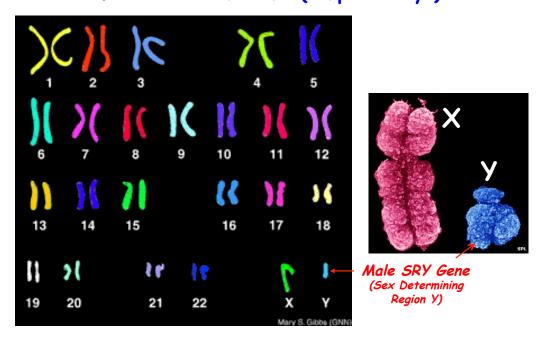




How About Changing The Sex Of An Organism?

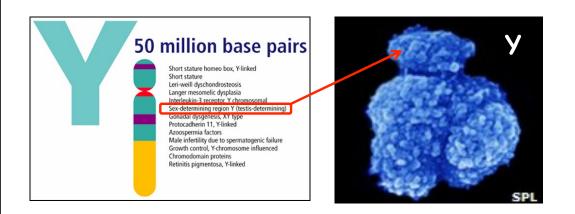


Males and Females Differ By the Presence or Absence Of the Y Chromosome (simplistically!!)



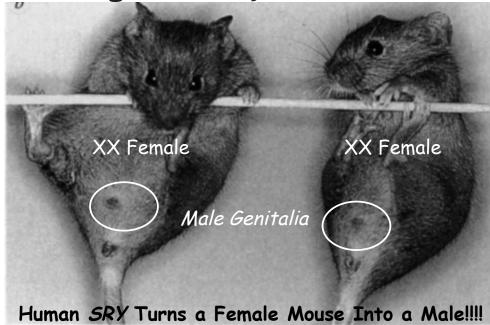
The Human SRY Gene For Maleness Controls Gender

Y chromosome: Why men contribute so little



Two Y Genes Can Replace the Entire Y Chromosome for Assisted Reproduction in the Mouse Science. November 25, 2013

Male development of chromosomally female mice transgenic for *Sry* Nature, May 9, 1991



Functional Proof That SRY Controls Male Development What Does This Experiment "Say" About Human & Mice Genes?

What Are the Conclusions of This Experiment?

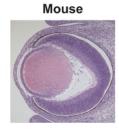
- · Ground State of Mammalian Development is FEMALE!
- ·ONE Gene Switches Development From Male to Female!
 - · Eve Had a Y Chromosome and LOST the SRY Gene!!

"So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh; and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Genesis, Chapter 2

Using Genetic Engineering to Change Body Architecture-Engineering Eyes on a Fly's Leg With a Single Gene!

Human WT















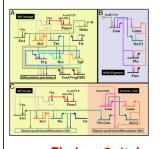
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iris absent
retina degenerate
lens opaque
aqueous humor of eyeball
increased pressure

eye decreased size lens fused_to cornea iris morphology anterior chamber absent

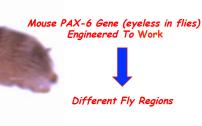
eye decreased size lens decreased size retina malformed

eye absent

Induction of Ectopic Eyes by Targeted Expression of the eyeless Gene in *Drosophila* Science 267, 1788, 1995

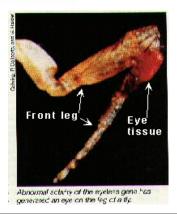








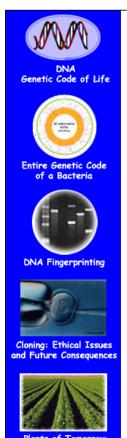
What Does
This
Experiment
Tell Us About
Mouse & Fly
Eye Genes?





What About Inserting Bacterial Genes Into Plants To Produce a Result With Significant Agricultural Application?



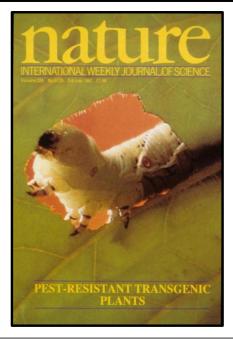




Transgenic plants protected from insect attack

Mark Vaeck, Arlette Reynaerts, Herman Höfte, Stefan Jansens, Marc De Beuckeleer, Caroline Dean*, Marc Zabeau, Marc Van Montagu & Jan Leemans

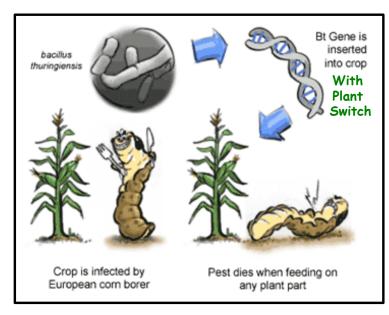
Plant Genetic Systems NV, Jozef Plateaustraat 22, B-9000 Gent, Belgium



July, 1987 28 Years Ago Old Technology!

Crops Can Be Engineered With Bt For Insect Resistance







Genetic Engineering a Plant to Resist Worms! Implications For Agriculture



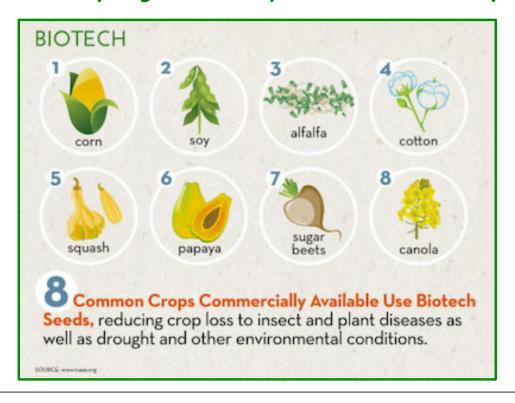


Question Three

Does the Same Bt Protein in Engineered Crops & Organic Sprays Protect Plants From Insect Damage?

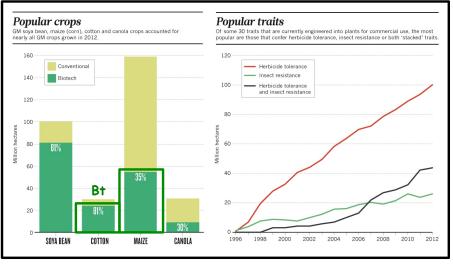
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Genetically Engineered Crops in Cultivation Today



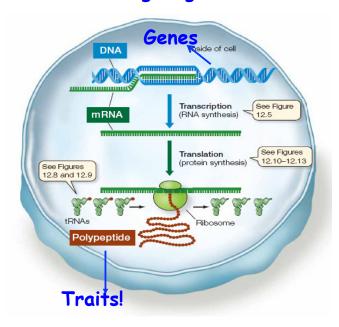


The 2013 GMO Landscape





What Can We Infer FROM These Genetic Engineering Experiments About How Genes "Work" and Genetic Processes in All Living Organisms?

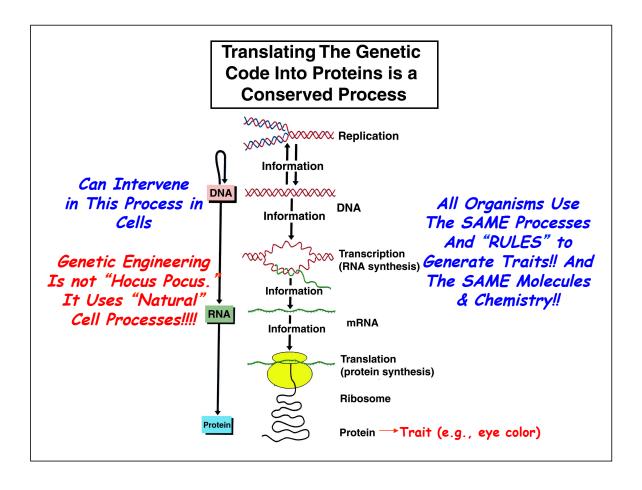


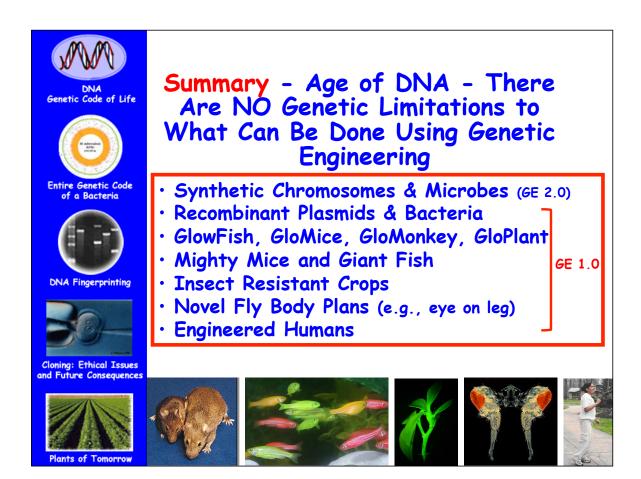
Observations and Inferences From Genetic Engineering Experiments

- 1. <u>Genes Can Work Independently of Each Other</u> -E.G. - The Jellyfish Fluorescence Gene Works Perfectly in a Variety of Organisms
- 2. <u>Basic Genetic Processes Are Universal (Replication & DNA to RNA to Protein)</u> E. G. The Bt Gene Directs the Production of BT Protein in Crops.
- 3. <u>Basic Genetic Processes Can Be Used to Engineer or Transfer Genes From One Organism to Another and Transfer Them Stably Generation After Generation -</u>
 - E.G. The Chimeric GloFish & Bt Genes Are Inherited Generation After Generation.













We Are Only Limited By Our Ingenuity and Our "Fear" of the Unknown



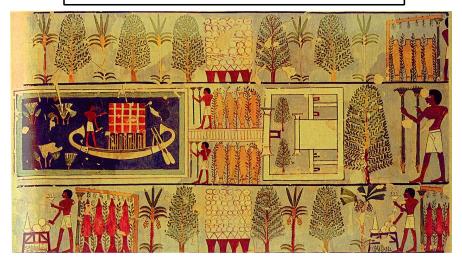


There is Nothing New About Genetic Engineering!

Manipulating Genes IS
Manipulating Genes No Matter
What <u>Technology or Processes</u>
Are Used!!

This is Genetic Engineeering 0.0!!

Breeding And Cultivation Of Plants Have Taken Place Over Thousand Of Years

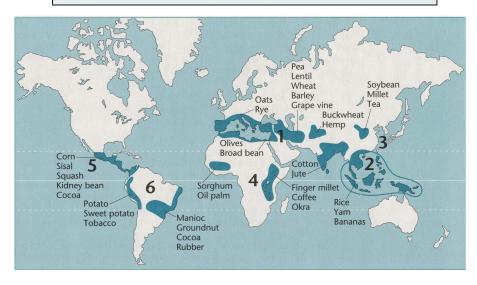


Genetic Engineering is Not New

Crops of Egypt 400 B.C.

Most Major Crops Were Engineered From Wild Relatives by Early "Bioengineers" Over 10,000 Years Ago!!

Regions Where Major Crops Were Established



Breeding Involves Gene Manipulation Using EXISTING Genetic Variability!

Breeding Uses Natural Genetic Variability of Genes As Raw Material - Variability Generated by Mutations



Mutations in a Gene That Change Its Chemical Sequence & Slightly Alters Its Function (e.g., fruit size, color)

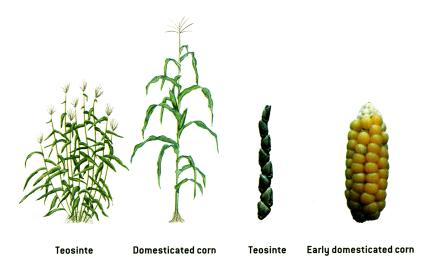
Tomatoes Were Engineered From Small Wild Relatives Because of Mutations in Fruit Size Genes!



The Early Tomato "Bioengineers" Selected For Large Fruit Size Because it Provided More Food!

What They Were Selecting Was a Different Form (Allele) of a Fruit Size Gene!

Engineering Teosinte Into Domesticated Corn



Note: Architecture and Fruit (cob) Size

Only Five Genes Cause These Plants to Differ & We Now Know What They Are

How Does This Differ From Putting an Eye on a Fly's Leg?

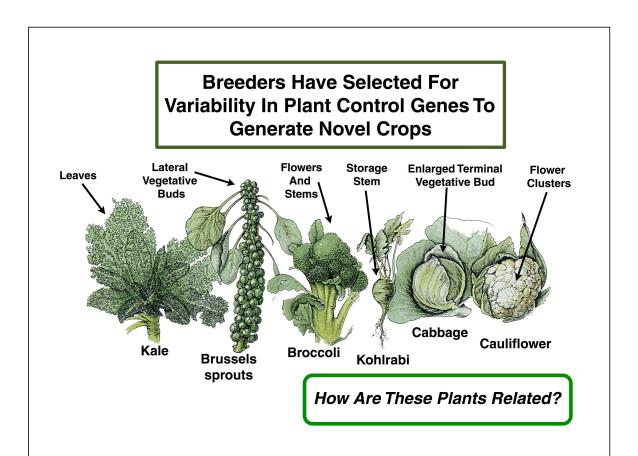
Engineering the Modern Banana



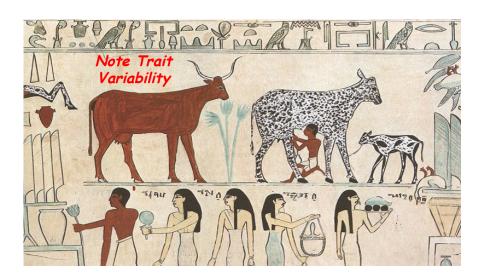




Note: Fruit Architecture and Presence of Seeds



Farm Animals Were Also "Engineered" By Breeding Wild Relatives Cattle Breeding in Egypt 4,000 Years Ago!



Manipulating Existing Genetic Variability Brought About By Chance Mutations!

Even Domesticated Pets Were "Engineered" By Breeding Wild Relatives

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nature

Nature, December 2005

NEWS & VIEWS



GENOMICS

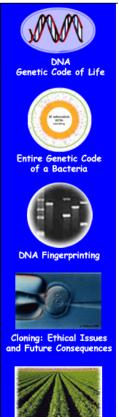
The dog has its day

Hans Ellegrer

Domestication and selective breeding have transformed wolves into the diversity of dogs we see today. The sequence of the genome of one breed adds to our understanding of mammalian biology and genome evolution.

The Dog Genome Has Been Sequenced!





The Problem With Breeding the "Old Fashioned Way"

Cannot Predict Results!

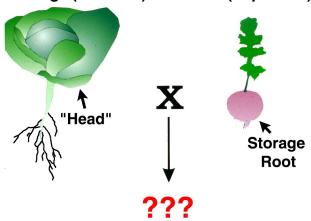




The Problem With Breeding the "Old Fashioned Way"

Engineering A Novel Crop By "Wide" Breeding

Cabbage (Brassica) Radish (Raphanus)



Karpechenko, G.D., 1928. Polyploid hybrids of Raphanus sativus L. X Brassica oleracea L. Zeitschrift für induktive Abstammungs- und Vererbungslehre 48, 1–85.



Engineering A Novel Crop By "Wide" Breeding

Cabbage (Brassica) Radish (Raphanus) **Head** Storage Root Radish leaves!!! Cabbage

Results Show the Unpredictability of Classical Breeding Approaches!! Compare With the Modern Genetic Engineering Examples Shown Previously

roots!!!



Genetic Engineering is a **TECHNIQUE!**

How Do Classical Genetic Engineering Methods Differ From Those Using DNA and 21st Century Technologies?

Classical vs. Molecular Genetic Engineering **Techniques** TRADITIONAL PLANT BREEDING New **Traditional** Commercial **Many Genes** Variety Variety Line **Plant Breeding Transferred Combines Many Genes At Once** Desired Gene (Many Crosses) **Desired Gene** PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY New Commercial **Desired Gene One Gene** Variety Variety **Transferred Biotechnology Adds** A Single Gene Or Many Genes **Gene Transfer** (one generation) Or Many Cloned or **Desired** Gene Synthesized Genes Both Manipulate Genes - But in Different Ways!!

Classical vs. Molecular Genetic Engineering









What Are The Limitations of Classical Breeding/Genetic Engineering?

- 1. Limited To Genes of Interbreeding Organisms and, Clearly, Severe Ethical Issues With Humans (Eugenics)
- 2. Only Can Make New Combinations of EXISTING Genes Genes Created By "Natural" Mutations
- 3. Can't Make Existing Genes "Better" Just Better or More Useful Combinations of Existing Genes and/or Alleles
- 4. Takes Time Limited To Generation Time of Organism Decades For Some Crop Plants
- 5. Only Useful For "Obvious" Traits One's That Can Be Observed or Followed
- 6. Unpredictable Outcomes (Bringing in Thousands of Genes at Once Some With Deleterious Consequences)

What Are The Advantages of Using 21st Century Genetic Engineering Methods?

- 1. Any Gene From Any Organism Can Be Used In Any Organism There Are No Breeding Barriers (e.g., genes of all sequenced genomes)
- 2. New Genes Can Be Engineered Genes That Work Better and/or Produce New Proteins (i.e., create new genetic variability and/or alleles)
- 3. Existing Genes Can Be Engineered to be Switched On in "Places" That They Are Normally Off Gene Control or Regulation Altered (e.g., fly eye on leg)
- 4. Speed Can Engineer a New Organism in a Generation
- 5. Can Change, Alter, Manipulate, Synthesize and/or Control the Genetic Blueprint of Any Organism
- 6. Very Precise (Working With Known Genes & Proteins)





HOW IS SCIENCE CARRIED OUT?

SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE IS OBTAINED BY A PRECISE & SPECIFIC PROCESS











Science is NOT "Hocus Pocus" or Based on Opinions and Beliefs







Science is Based on Observation, Hypothesis Testing, Rigorous Experimentation, and Verification

 Technology, or the Application of Scientific Knowledge, Has Transformed Dramatically Our Lives and How We Live

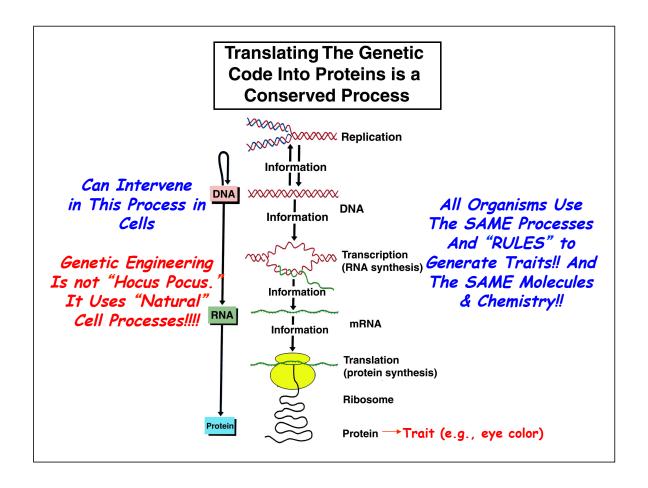
What Are the Data!!!!!



It Has Lead to Civilization and Culture as We Know It!

Agriculture
Medicine
Computers and Automation
Airplanes, Cars, and Satellites
Countries and Cities
Political Systems
Art and Literature
Etc., Etc., Etc.

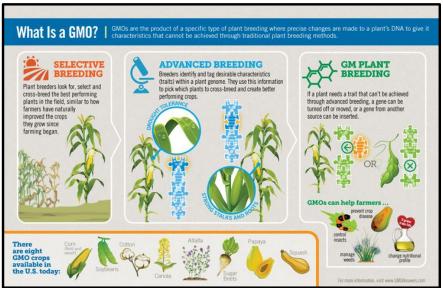
Simply Put: Our Way of Life!





Plants of Tomorrow

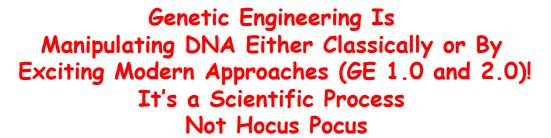
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Breeding or DNA - It's the Same & Called Gene Manipulation



We Live in the The Age of DNA!





Understanding Genetic Engineering
Requires a Basic Understanding of Genes
And How They Work

