

M2D3:  
Complete Western blot and  
prepare damaged DNA

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# Upcoming assignments

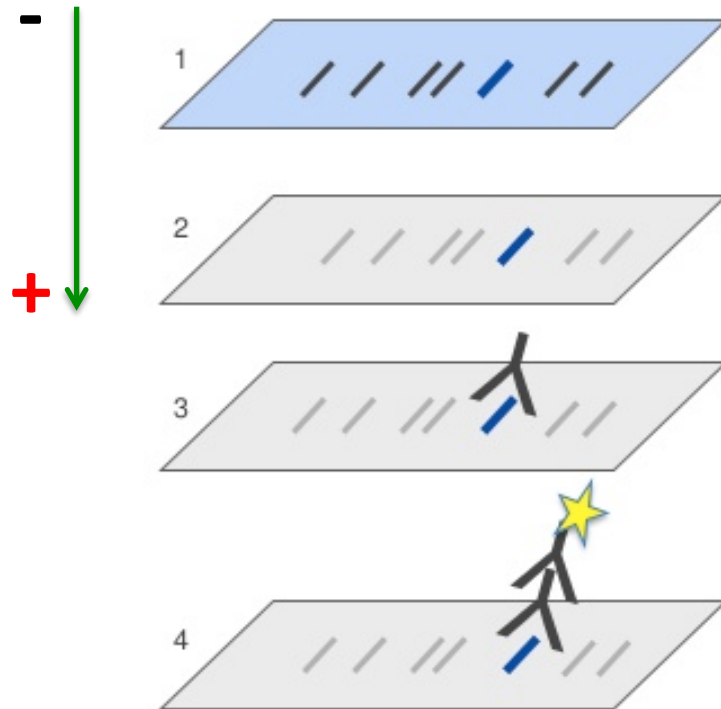


- M1 mini-presentation
  - email by 10pm tonight
  - [bioeng20.109@gmail.com](mailto:bioeng20.109@gmail.com)



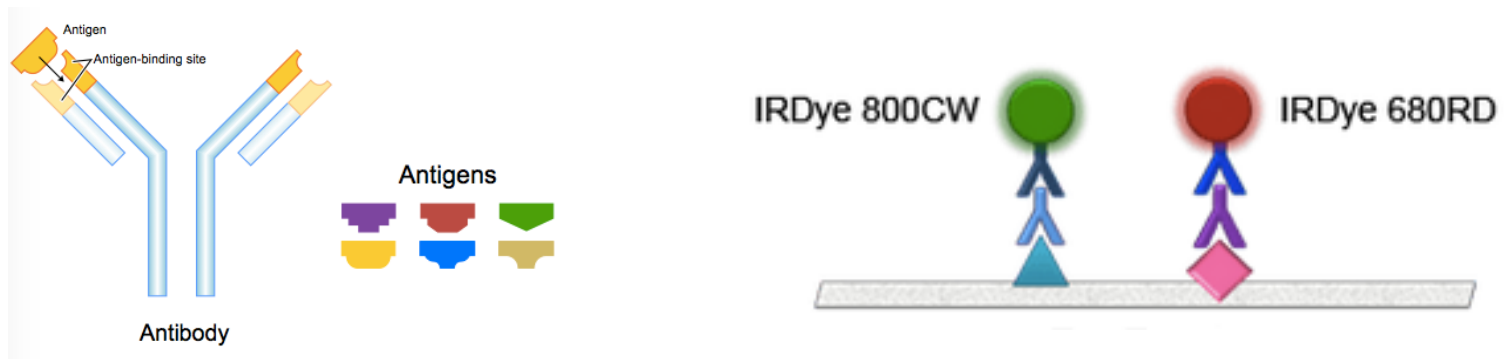
- Journal club presentation
  - in 16-336 on Friday 03/18
  - post slides on Stellar before 1pm
  - choice of presentation order









# Western blot workflow:



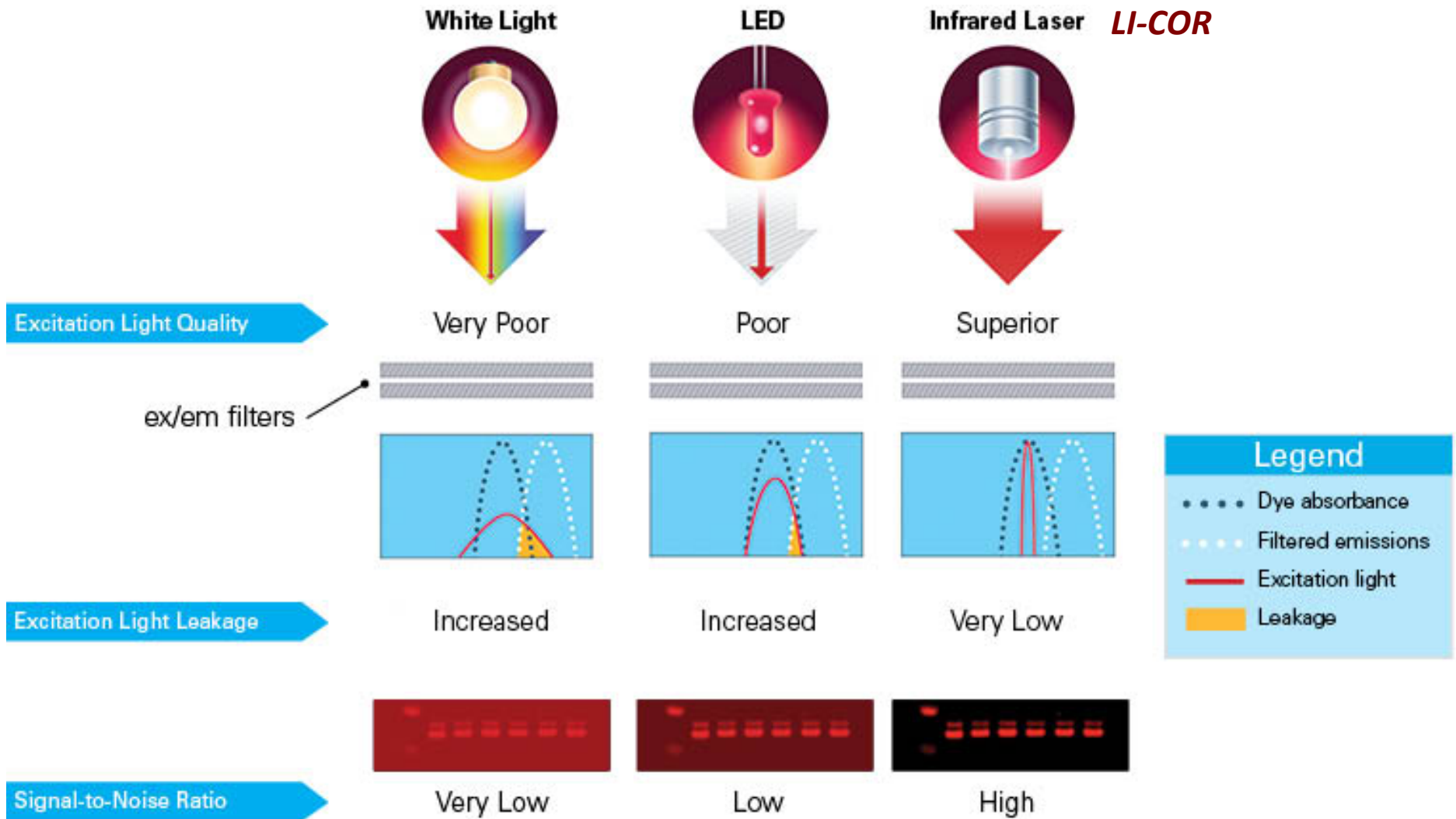
1. Protein separation by SDS-PAGE
2. Protein transfer to nitrocellulose membrane
3. Block membrane
4. Probe with primary antibodies specific to
  - DNA-PKcs
  - tubulin
5. Wash with TBS-T
  - **Tris-buffered saline with 0.1% Tween (detergent)**
  - to **destroy nonspecific interactions**
  - and to **wash away excess primary antibodies**
6. Probe with labeled secondary antibodies specific to primary antibodies
7. Wash
8. Image *LI-COR* fluorescence signal

# Suite of antibodies for *LI-COR* Western blot

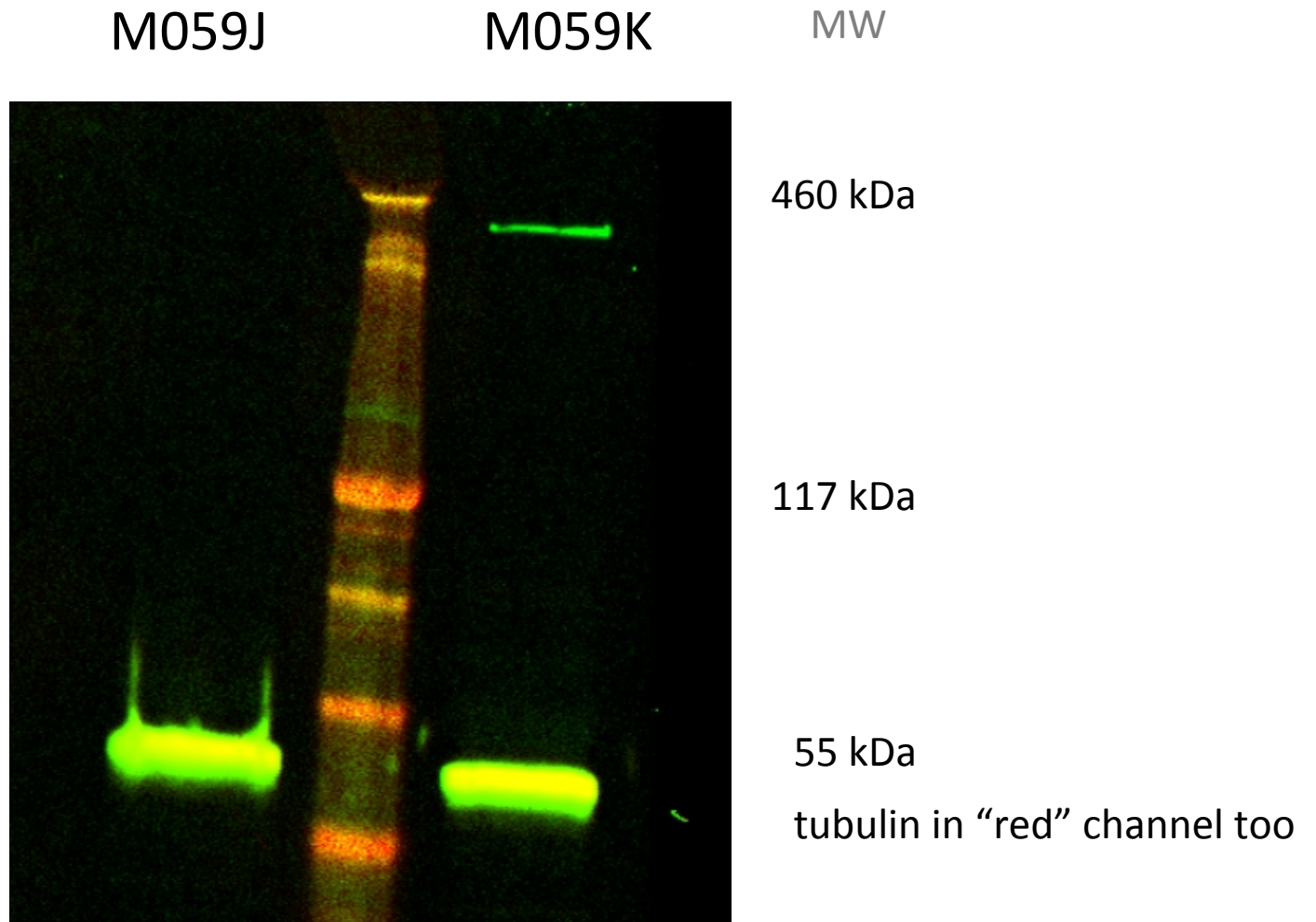


protein of interest	 DNA-PKcs	 tubulin
primary antibody	 mouse anti-human anti-DNA-PK	 rabbit anti-human anti-tubulin
secondary antibody	 goat anti-mouse	 donkey anti-rabbit
fluorescent dye IR wavelength	800 nm	680 nm
pseudo-color	 green	 red
molecular weight	~ 465 kDa	~ 50 kDa


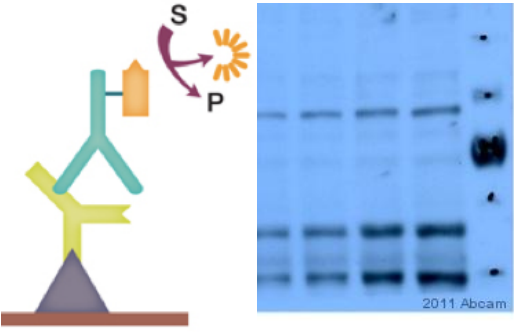
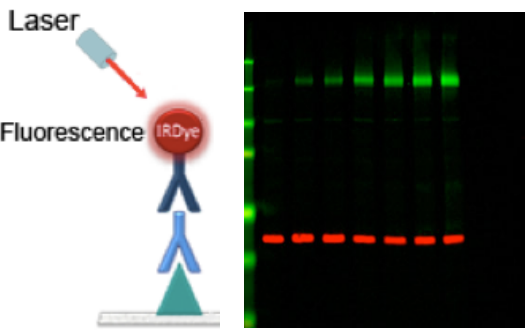
# Near-IR: low auto-fluorescence background



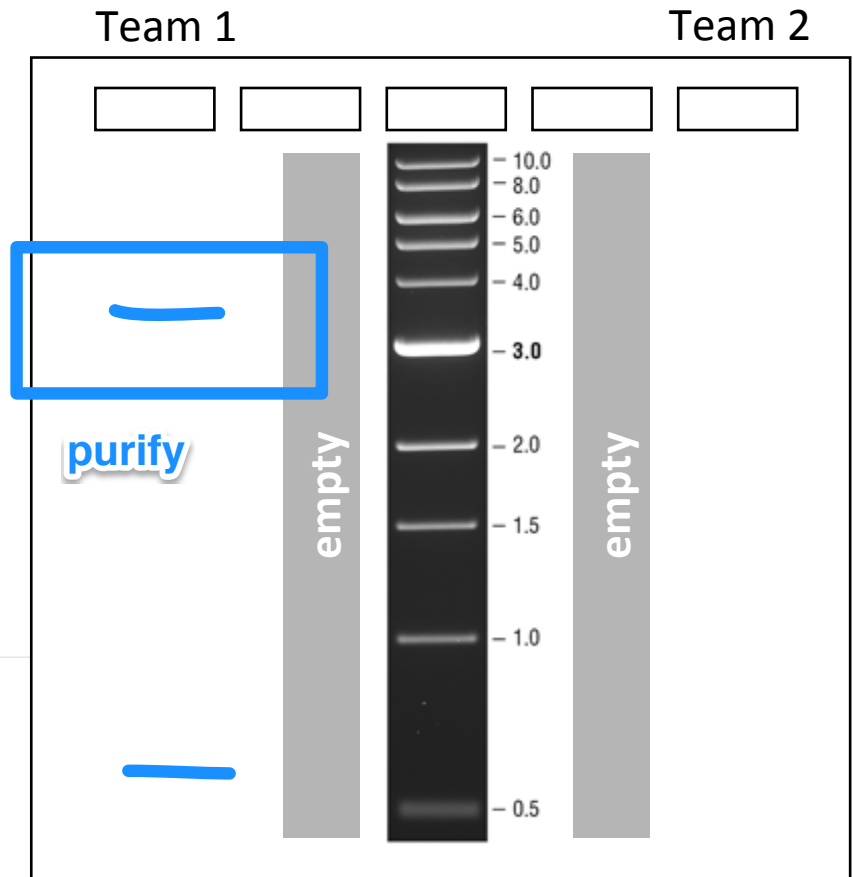
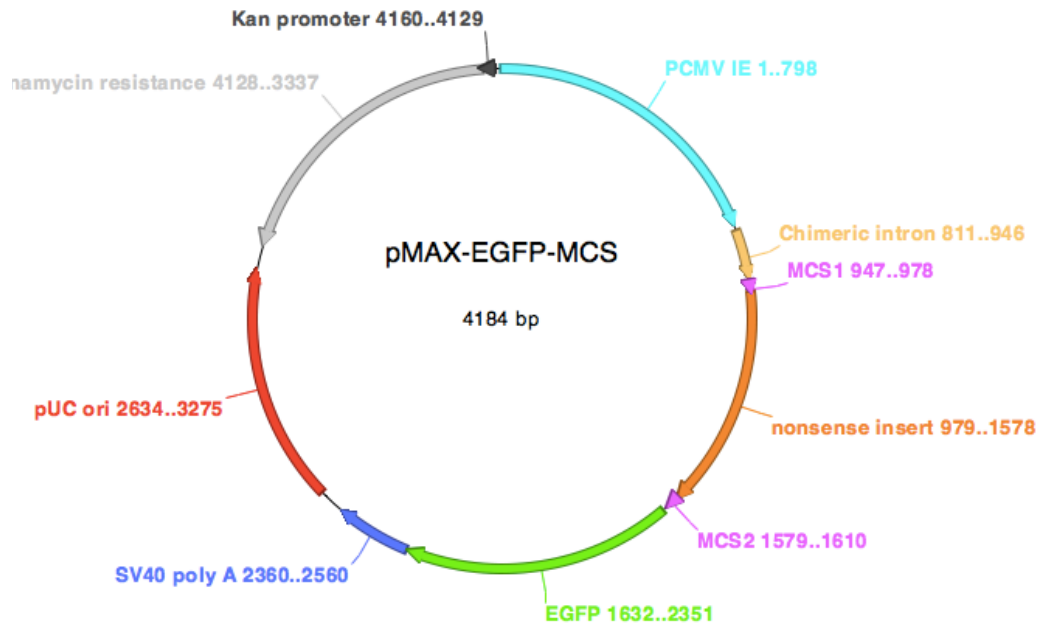
# Verify M059J is missing DNA-PKcs by *LI-COR* Western blot:



# Western blot detection / visualization

Colorimetric	Chemiluminescent	Fluorescent
		
<p>Upon incubation with a substrate that reacts with reporter (<i>e.g.</i> peroxidase), dye rendered insoluble and colored precipitates on membrane.</p>	<p>Incubation substrate luminesces when exposed to reporter on secondary antibody.</p>	<p>The fluorescently labeled probe is excited by light and the fluorescence emission is detected by a photosensor such as a CCD camera.</p>
<p><b>Pro:</b> inexpensive, easy, no equipment required</p>	<p><b>Pro:</b> sensitive, fast, film developer is common</p>	<p><b>Pro:</b> sensitive, stable, able to multiplex</p>
<p><b>Con:</b> medium sensitivity</p>	<p><b>Con:</b> requires trial and error, time-dependent snapshot</p>	<p><b>Con:</b> expensive</p>

# Preparation of **damaged** pMAX-EGFP-MCS:



Restriction enzyme choices (buffer):

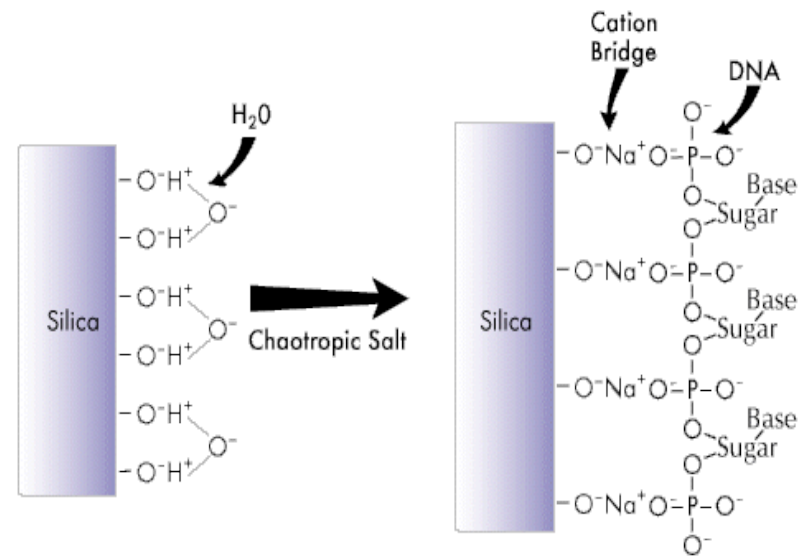
- *PmeI* **CutSmart**
- *BglII* + *EcoRI* **3.1**
- *BglII* + *PstI-HF* **3.1**

Add in this order: water + buffer + DNA + enzyme



# Gel purification - Bind DNA to column

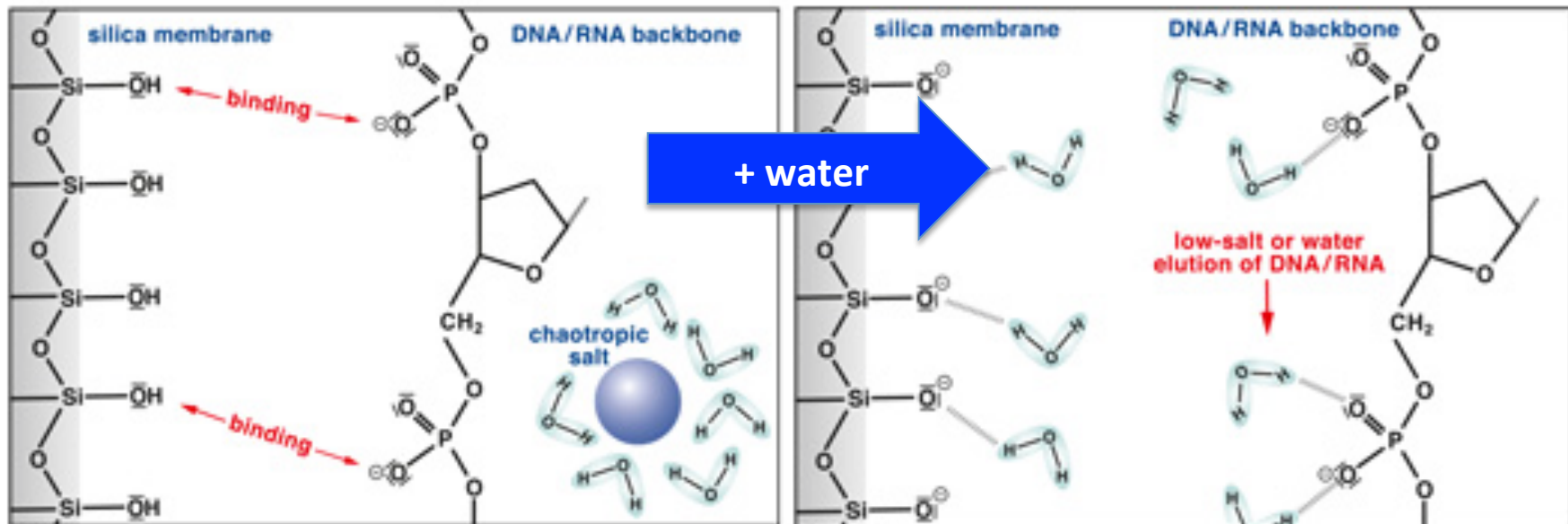
- Prepare with QG
  - **dissolves agarose**
  - **chaotropic salt**
  - **pH indicator**



- Washes with PE
  - remove residual contaminants (eluent)
  - maintain DNA onto column

# Gel purification - Elution with water

- Water (pH 8.0) competes DNA off of column



## In lab today, split up:



- Set up restriction enzyme digest (*student 1*)
- Gel purify damaged DNA



- Complete immunoblotting (*student 2*)
  - save primary antibody solution
  - cover secondary antibodies with foil
- Image Western blot