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# Announcements

- Next time: flow cytometry in shifts
  - sign up on M1D7 “Talk” page
- First blog post due Oct 5<sup>th</sup> by midnight
- No class Oct 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>
- Slide summary due Oct 11<sup>th</sup> by 11 AM
- Oral defenses Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, 4-5 pm in 56-202
- OH tentatively Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 4-5 pm, only

# Tissue culture tips

- Set up a few inches *behind* the barrier/grate
- Minimize opportunities to bump or expose sterile equipment or your samples
  - Uncap bottles *before* opening pipet
  - Keep tips and dishes *closed* when not in use
  - Avoid passing your hands/arms over open dishes
  - Don't try to hold > 2 things at once! 😊
- Take care not to clog the pipet-aids

# Lipofection method

- DNA carrier is similar to the cell membrane
- Efficient transfection (can be >95%)

Figure 6 - Outline of transfection procedure for Lipofectamine™ 2000 Reagent

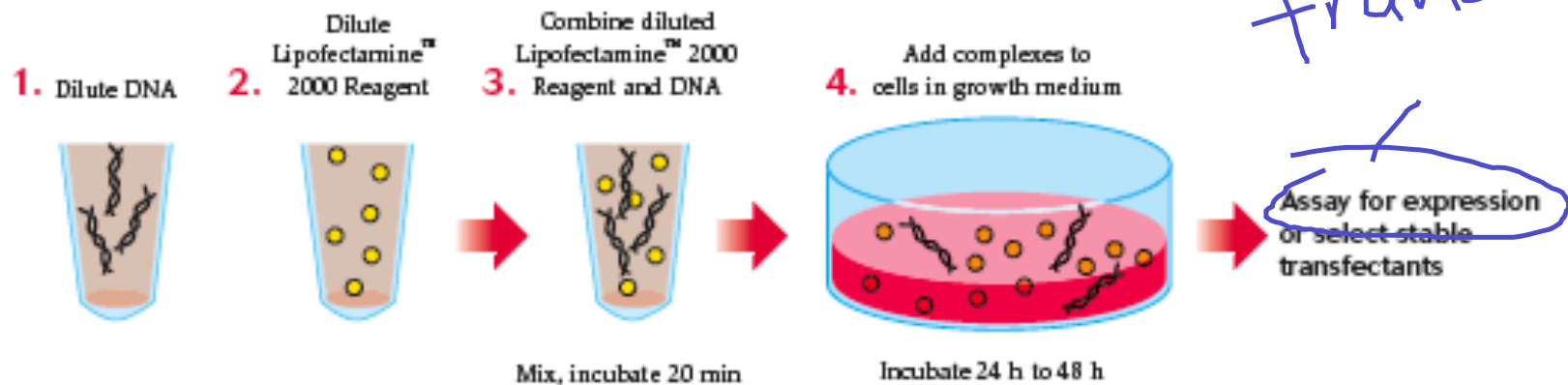
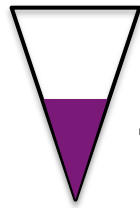


Figure from Invitrogen website

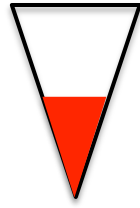
# Lipofection workflow

Wait 5-30 min



... then add to

1:1



Wait 20 min



... then add to

Lipofectamine  
in Opti-MEM

DNA in  
Opti-MEM

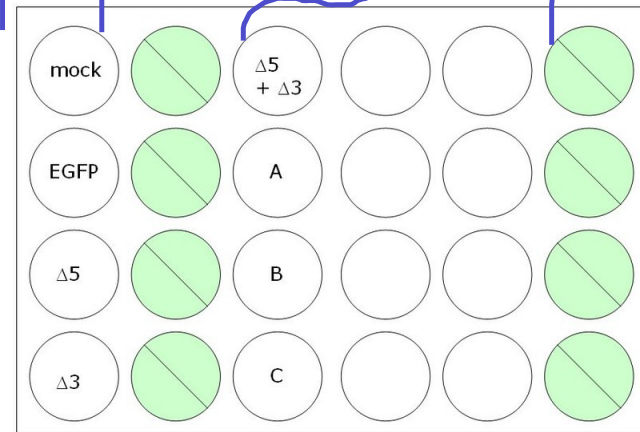
Lipid/nucleic  
acid complexes

$V_{tot} = 50 \mu L$   
 $V_L = 2.5 \mu L$

50  $\mu L$  OR  
150  $\mu L$

controls exp. triplicate

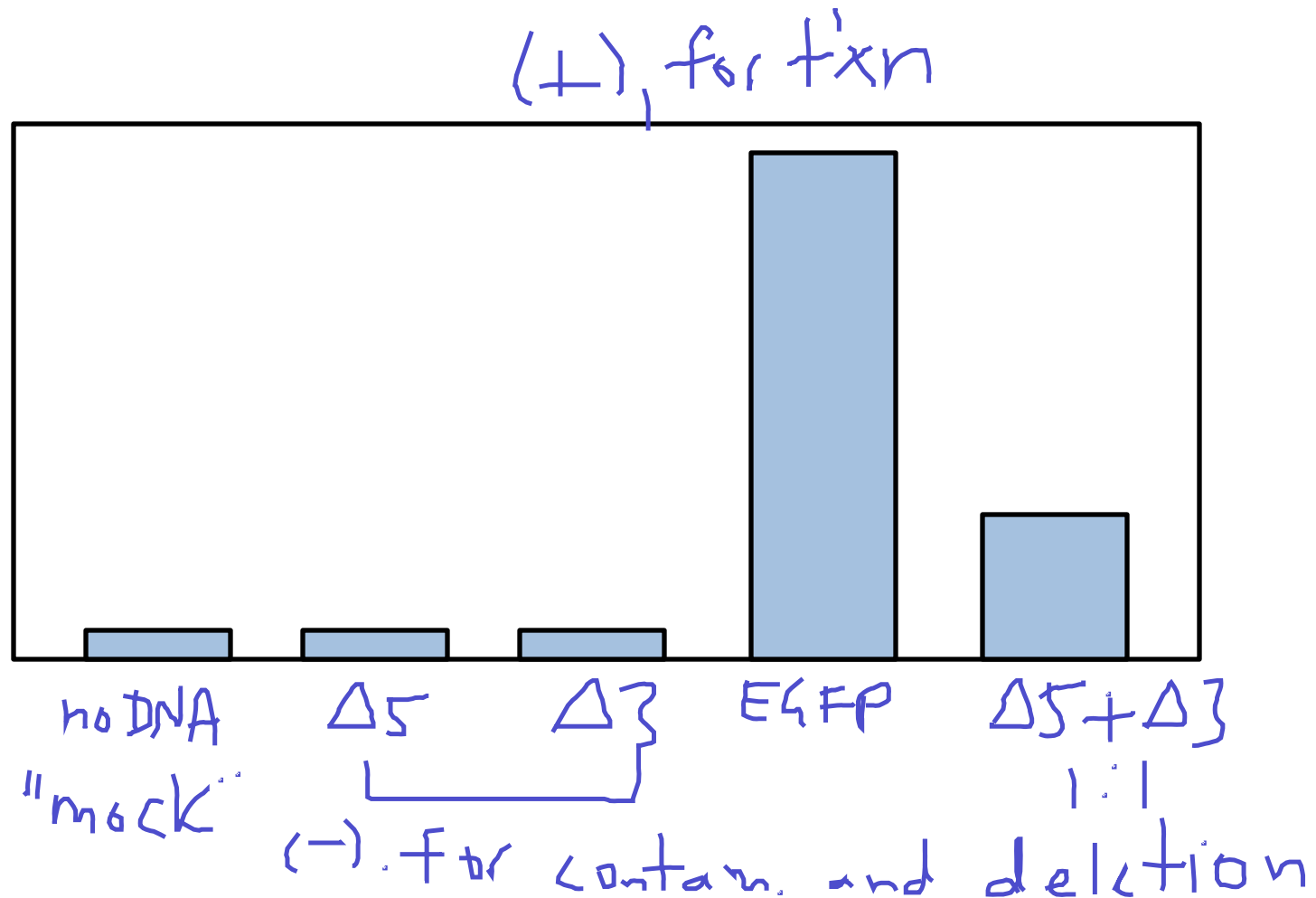
16.5x prep,  
aliquot



Wells with MES cells

# Controls for HR assay

- How do you know if your experiment worked?



# Experimental samples for HR assay

- How might we increase HR frequency?

vary  $\Delta S: \Delta J$

break DNA { pre-txn: digest, UV, etc.  
post-txn:  $\gamma$ -irr, chem.

- Plan for today

– Baseline: 1:1

– A: 1:2

– B: 1:10  $\Delta S: \Delta J$

– C: ? your idea

[DNA] 0.5  
0.1 mg/mL  
0.05

# Today in Lab: M1D6

- One hour lab certification
- Lipofection of MES in TC
- Oral defenses with Jenny

+ colony counts

+ bye-bye Jenny :) )