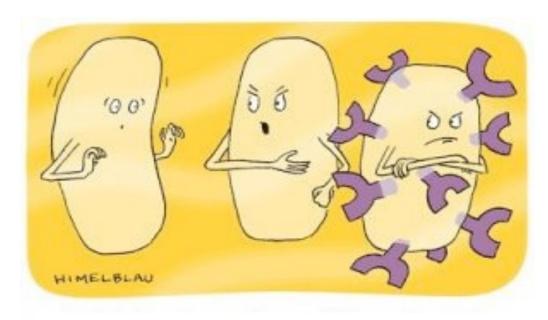
### M2D2: Perform protein purification protocol

1. Prelab discussion

2. Protein purification

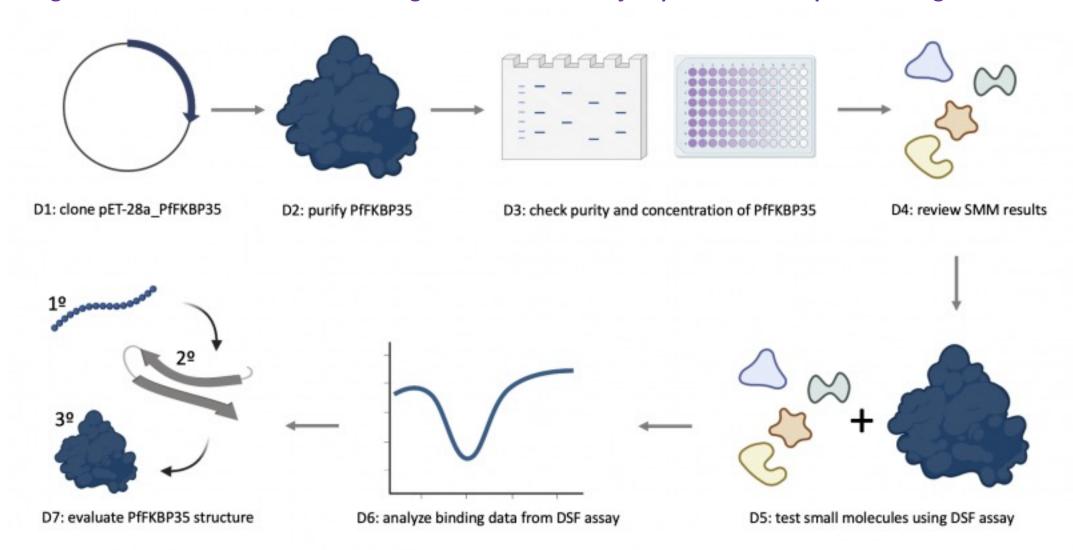
3. Assess RE digest



"Don't pick it up," I say, and he says, "It's just a *plasmid*, what harm could it do?" Well just look at him now...who knows *what* protein he's expressing!

#### Overview of M2: drug discovery

Research goal: Test small molecules for binding to the *Plasmodium falciparum* FKBP35 protein using a functional assay.

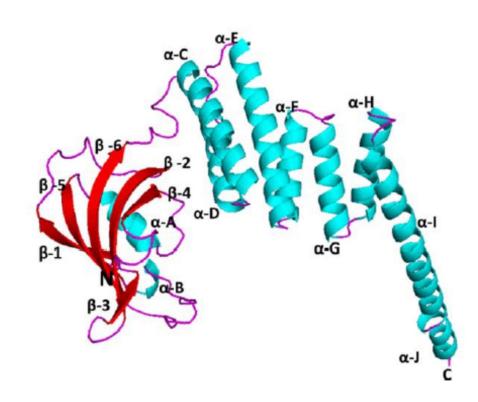


#### PfFKBP35

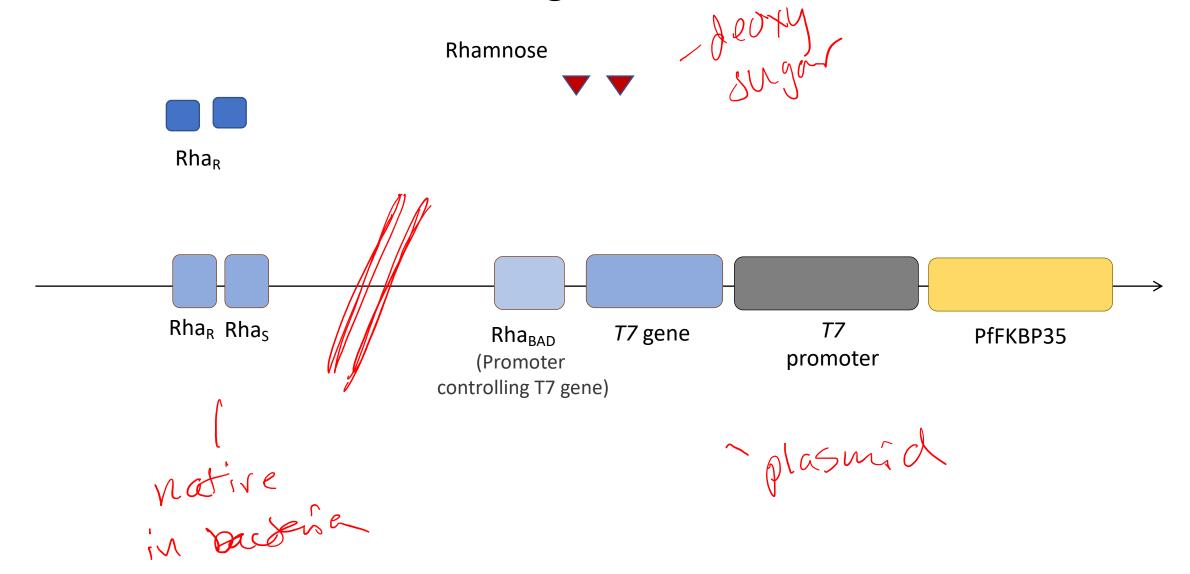
- Pf = Plasmodium falciparum
- Essential to parasite survival
- Known drug target for:
  - Rapamycin
  - FK506



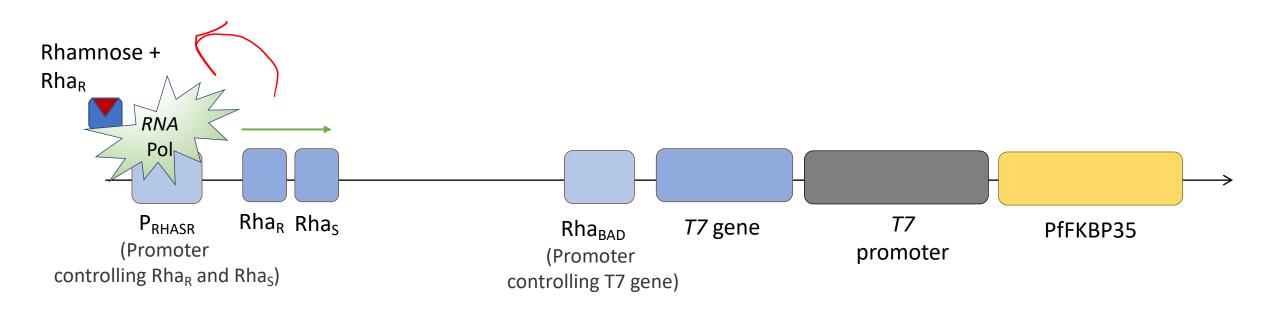
- FKBP12 -/- is embryonic lethal
- How can we target the parasite protein and not the human?



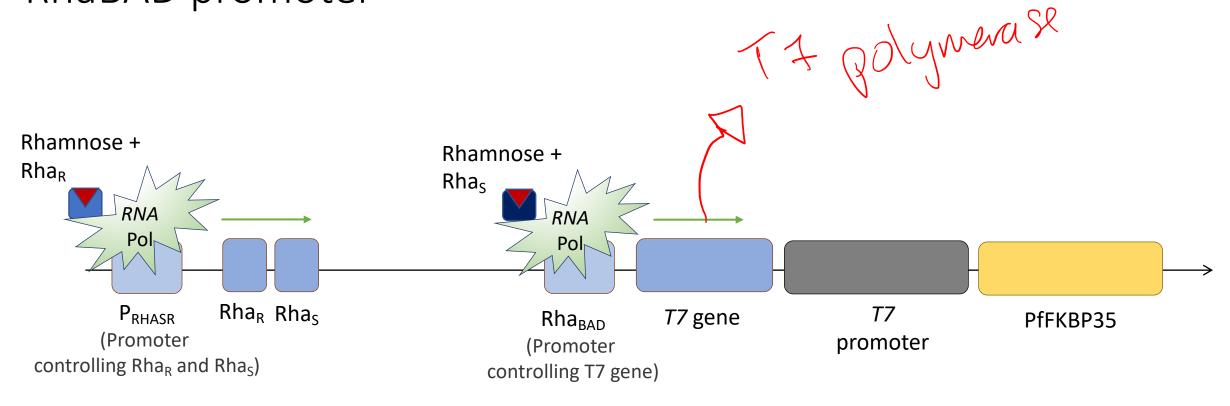
#### Bacterial induction: How it begins...



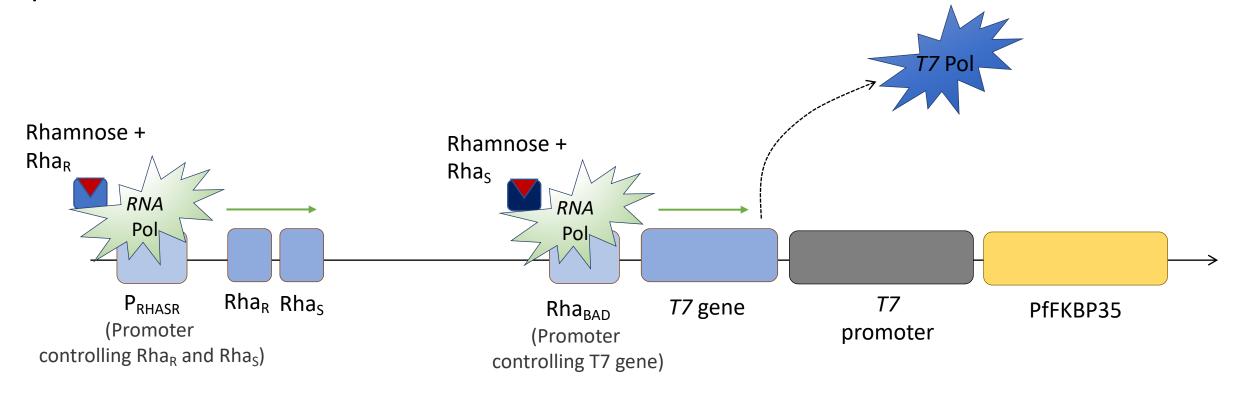
### Bacterial induction: RhaR activates production of RhaR and RhaS



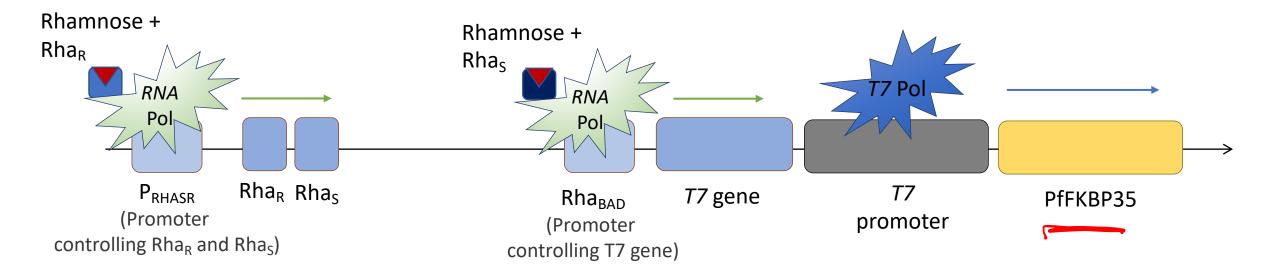
Bacterial induction: RhaS promotes RNA Pol binding to RhaBAD promoter



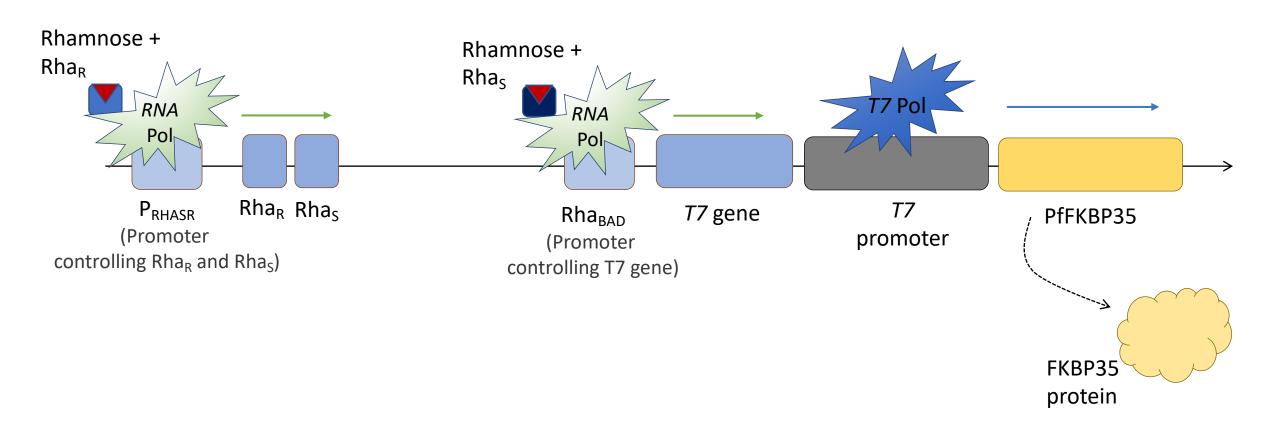
Bacterial induction: RhaBAD promoter controls T7 Pol production



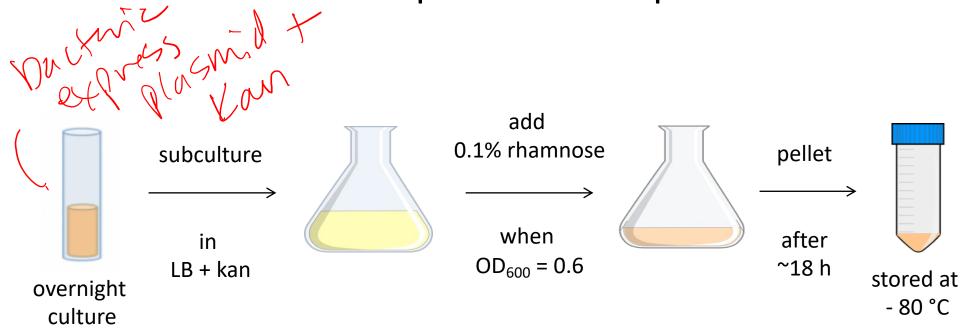
#### Bacterial induction: T7 Pol binds to the T7 promoter



### Bacterial induction: T7 promoter controls FKBP35 production



#### How do we induce protein expression?



Why do we induce protein expression at  $OD_{600} = 0.6$ ?

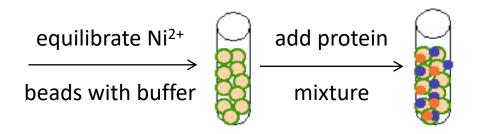
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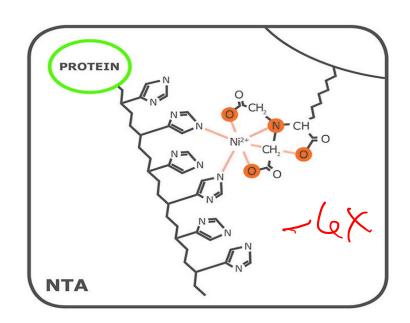
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#### How will you purify PfFKBP35?

First, need to lyse cells to release proteins: • B-PER bacterial extraction reagent Lysozyme + DNasel • Protease Inhibitor Cocktail Deen som Jies 2012 mon suistantin

# 6xHis tag binds to $Ni^{2+}$ resin / column to allow purification of protein of interest

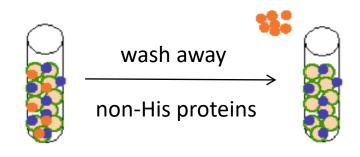




 Ni<sup>2+</sup> chelated onto agarose resin via nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA) ligand

 His tag chelates to Ni<sup>2+</sup> causing protein to 'stick' to resin / column

### Non-specific binders washed from Ni<sup>2+</sup> resin / column using a low concentration of imidazole



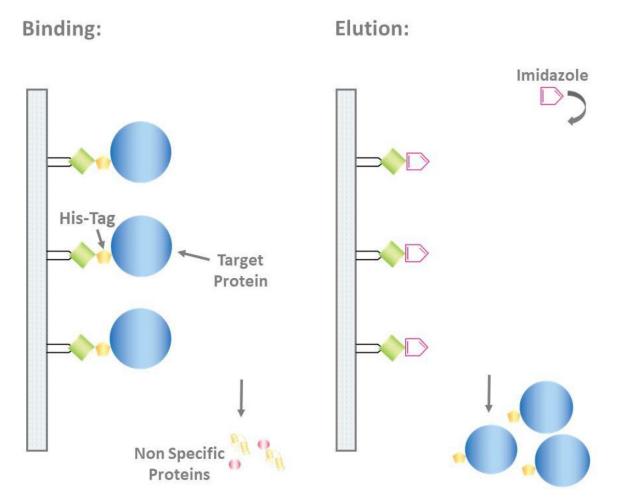
#### histidine

imidazole

Low concentration of imidazole included in wash buffer

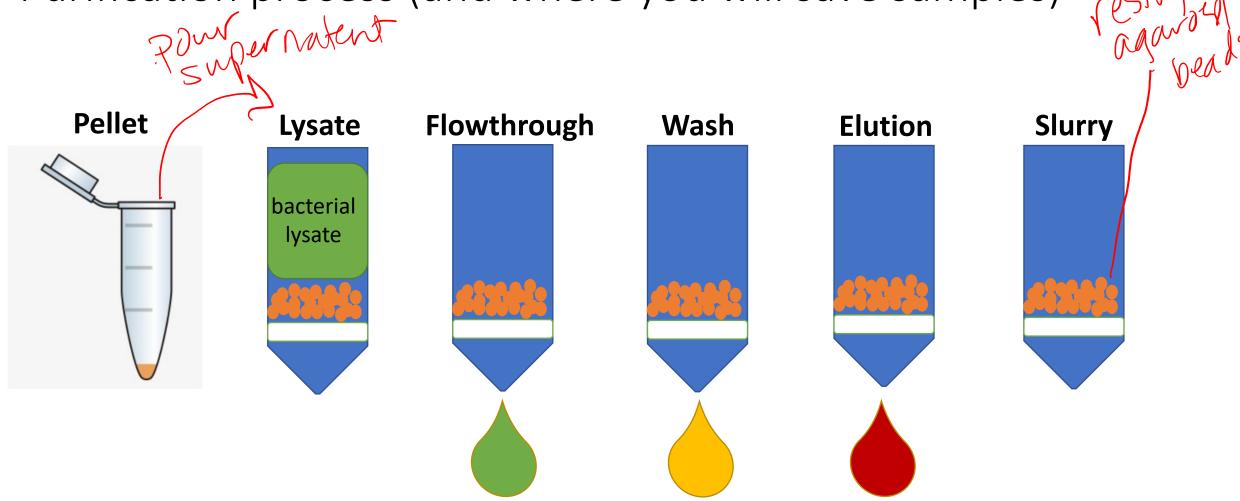
- Imidazole competes for binding to Ni<sup>2+</sup> resin
  - Low affinity binders / non-specific binders are outcompeted and released from the resin

## High concentration of imidazole is used to elute the protein from the Ni<sup>2+</sup> resin / column

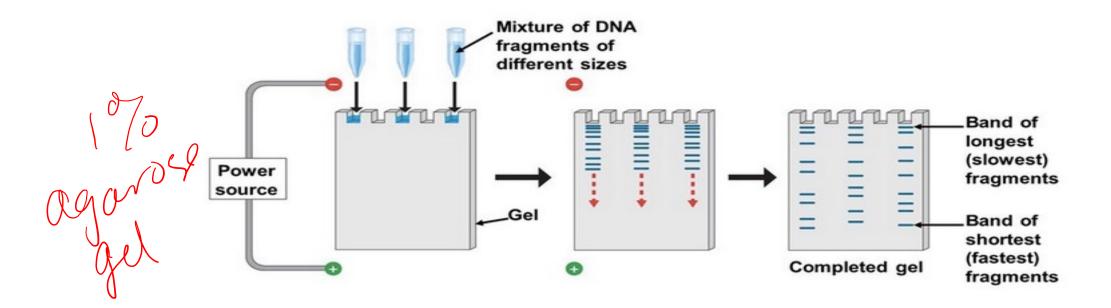


- Similar concept to wash
  - Wash uses 50mM imidazole
  - Elution used 250mM imidazole

 Instead of competing away non-specific binding, we can now out-compete the His Tag Purification process (and where you will save samples)



#### DNA electrophoresis review



How do you visualize the migration through the gel?

How do you visualize DNA bands in the gel?

#### For today...

- 1. Purify your protein for validation assay
- 2. During a centrifugation step, electrophorese your RE digest

#### For M2D3...

1. Answer question prompts on the wiki homework to think about how you will create a story from figures in the paper