

# Reverse ecology: population genomics, divergence and adaptation



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# Fungi and how they adapt.



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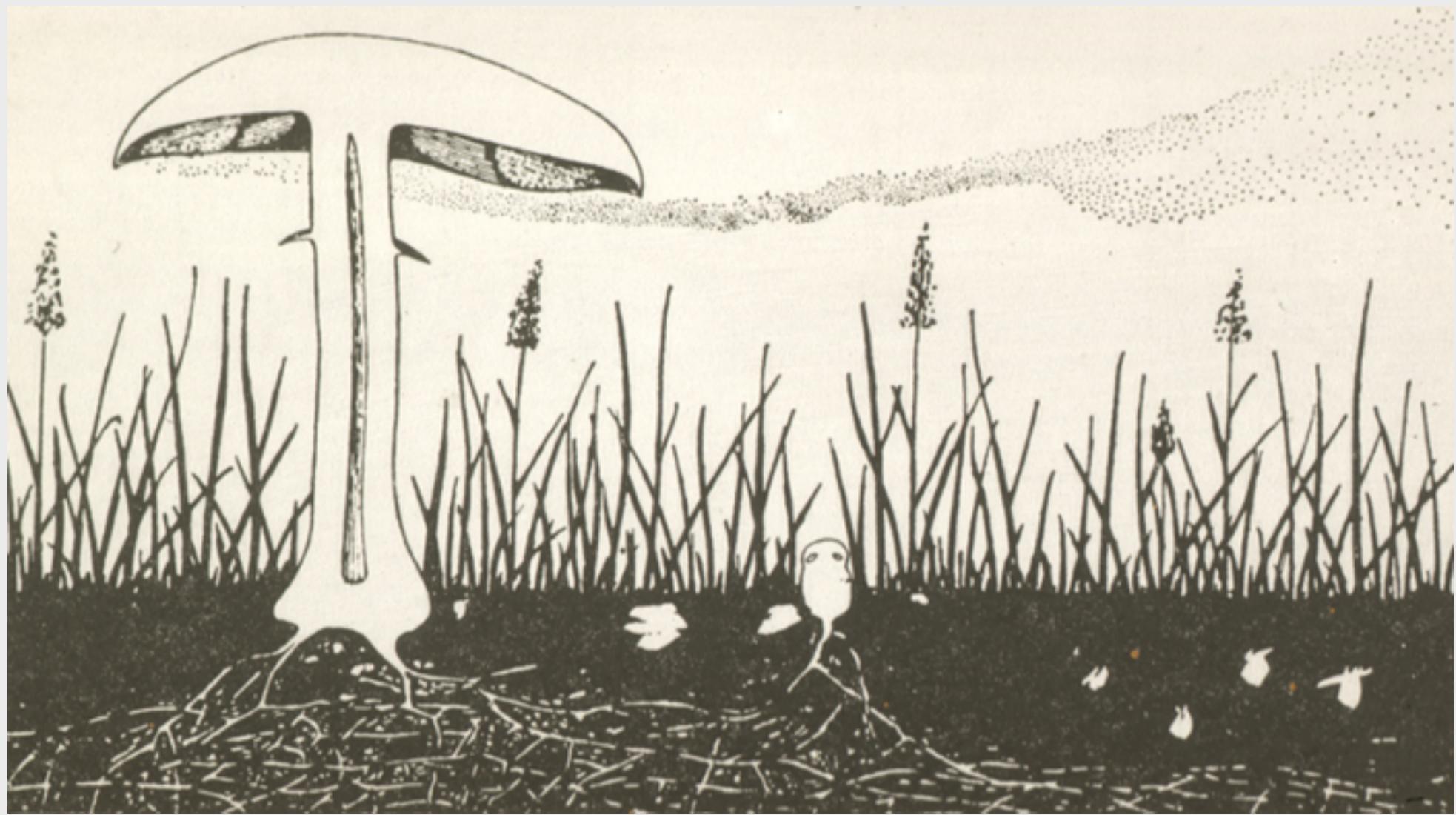
***Where are Fungi in the Tree  
of Life?***

***Adaptation.***

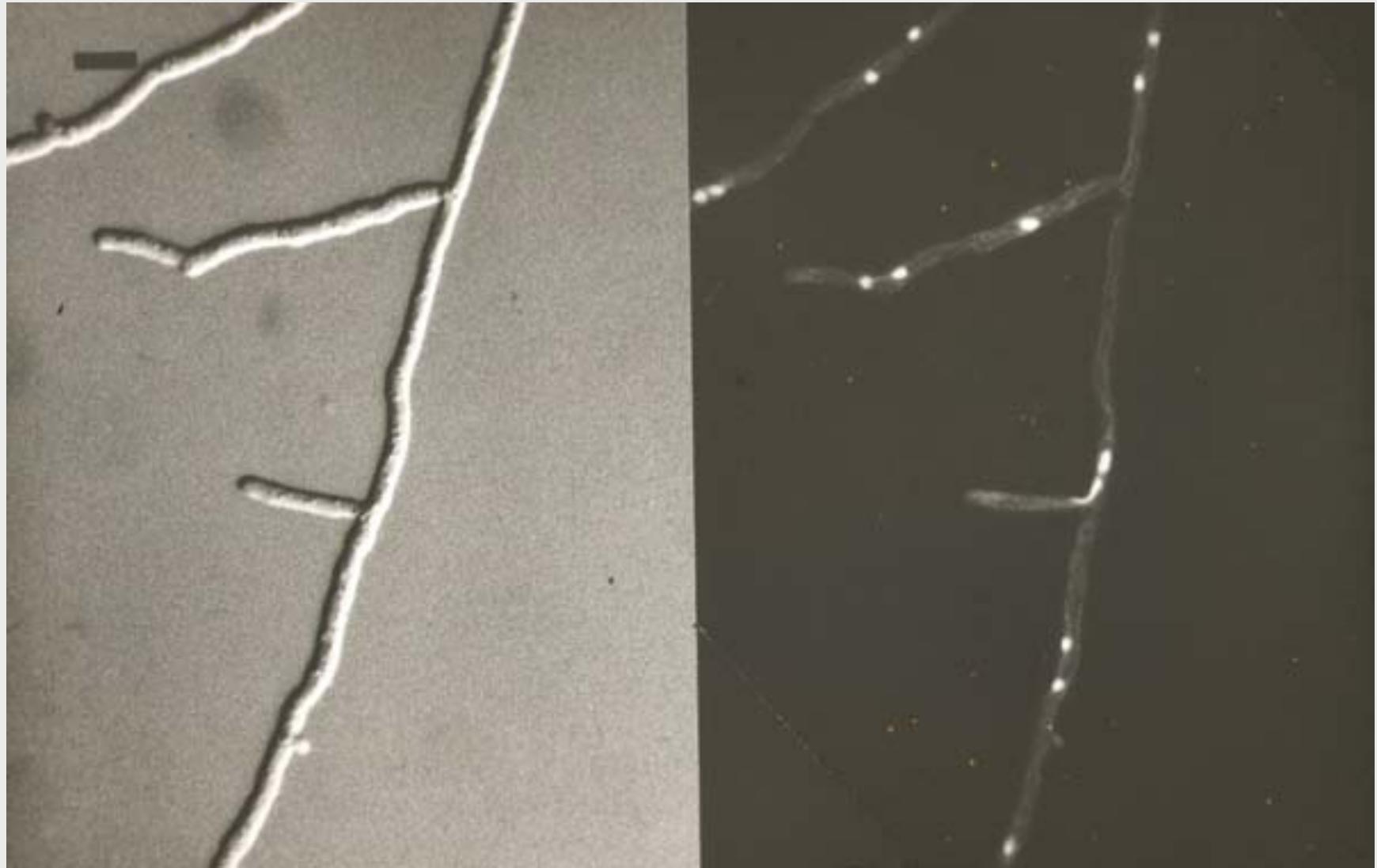


# Mushrooms

Parasol  
Mushroom  
*Macrolepiota  
procera*

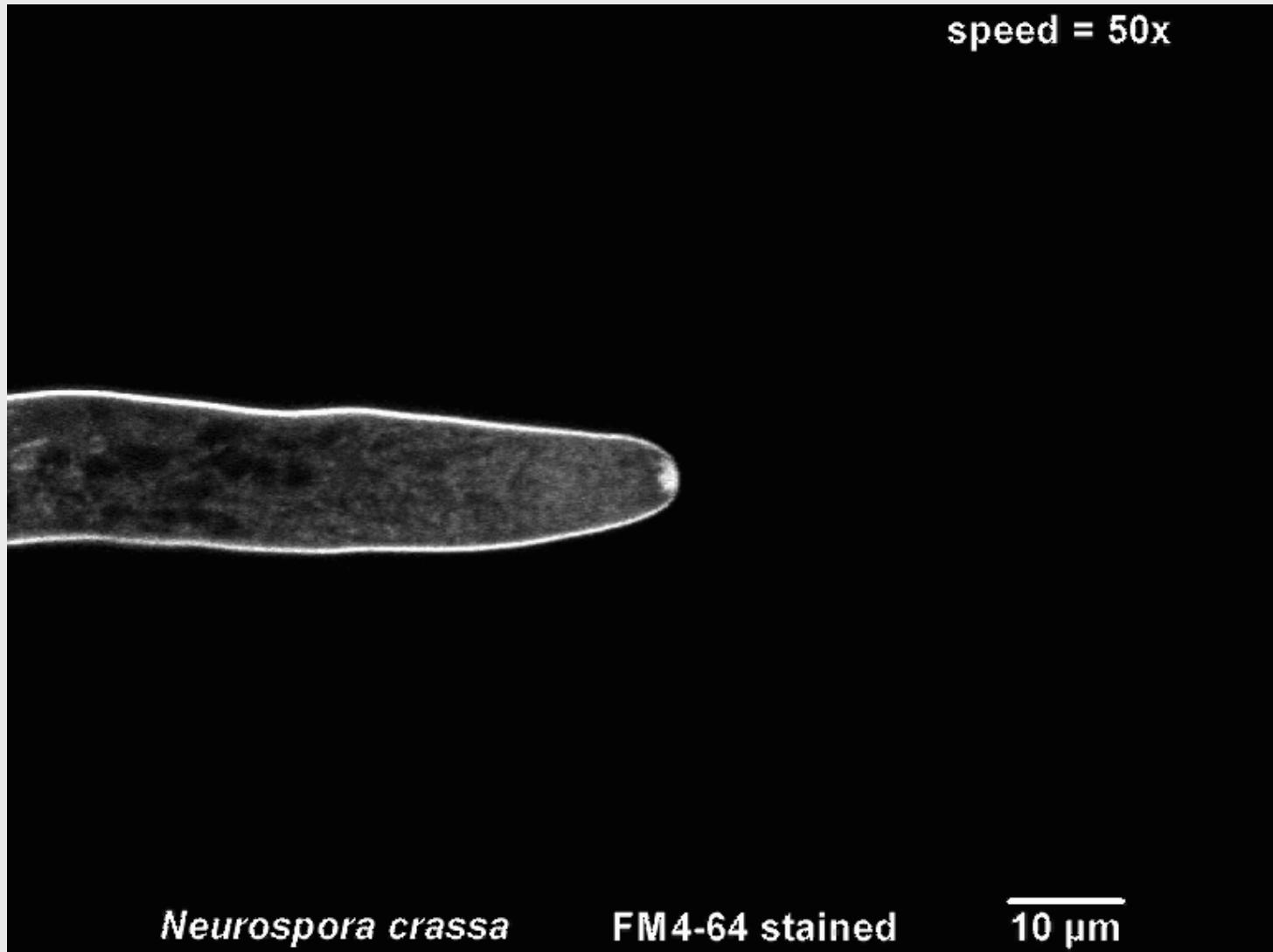


Three Parts of a Mushroom - C. T. Ingold

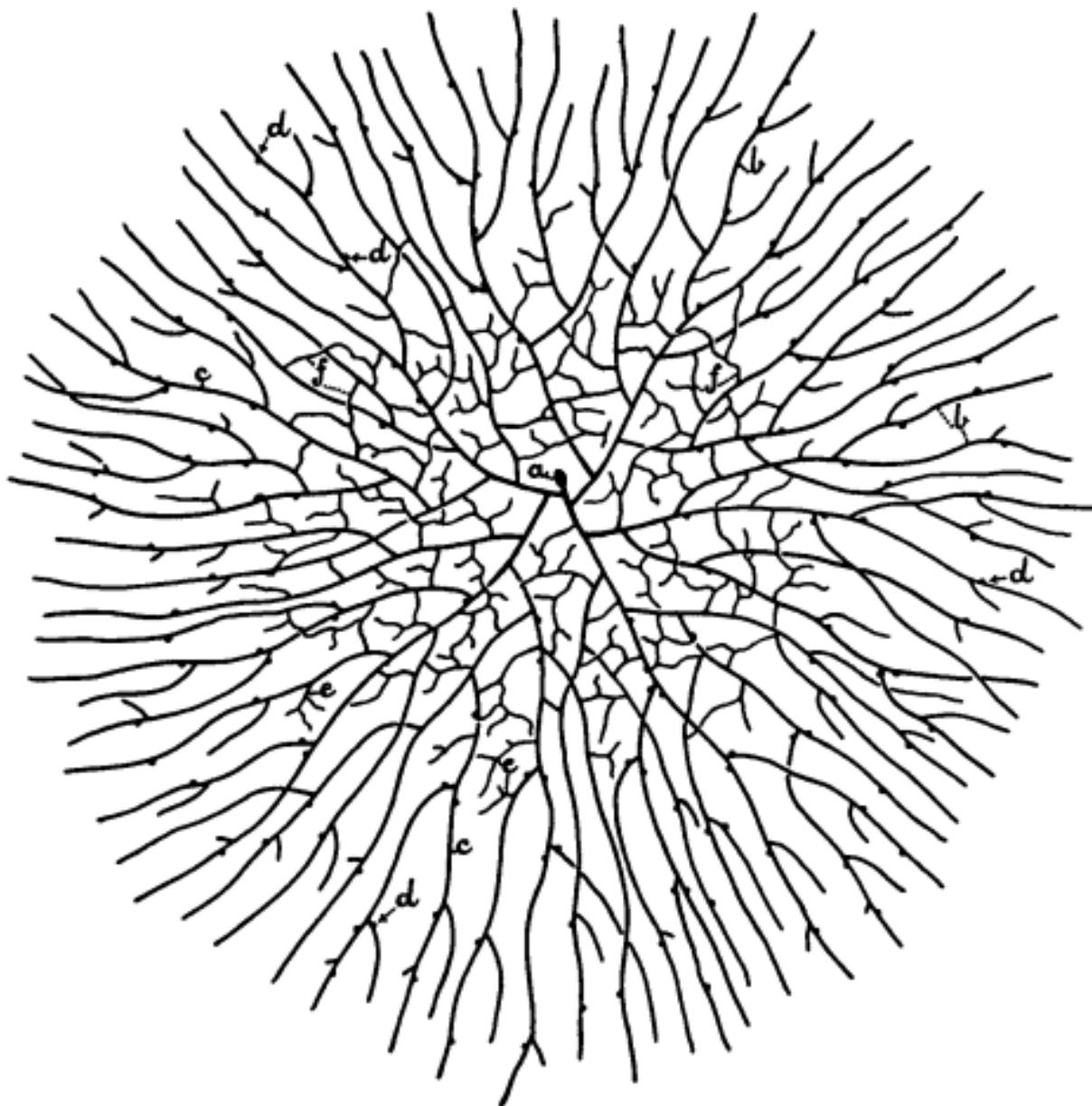


Hypha with nuclei, *Tulasnella* sp.

# The Hypha



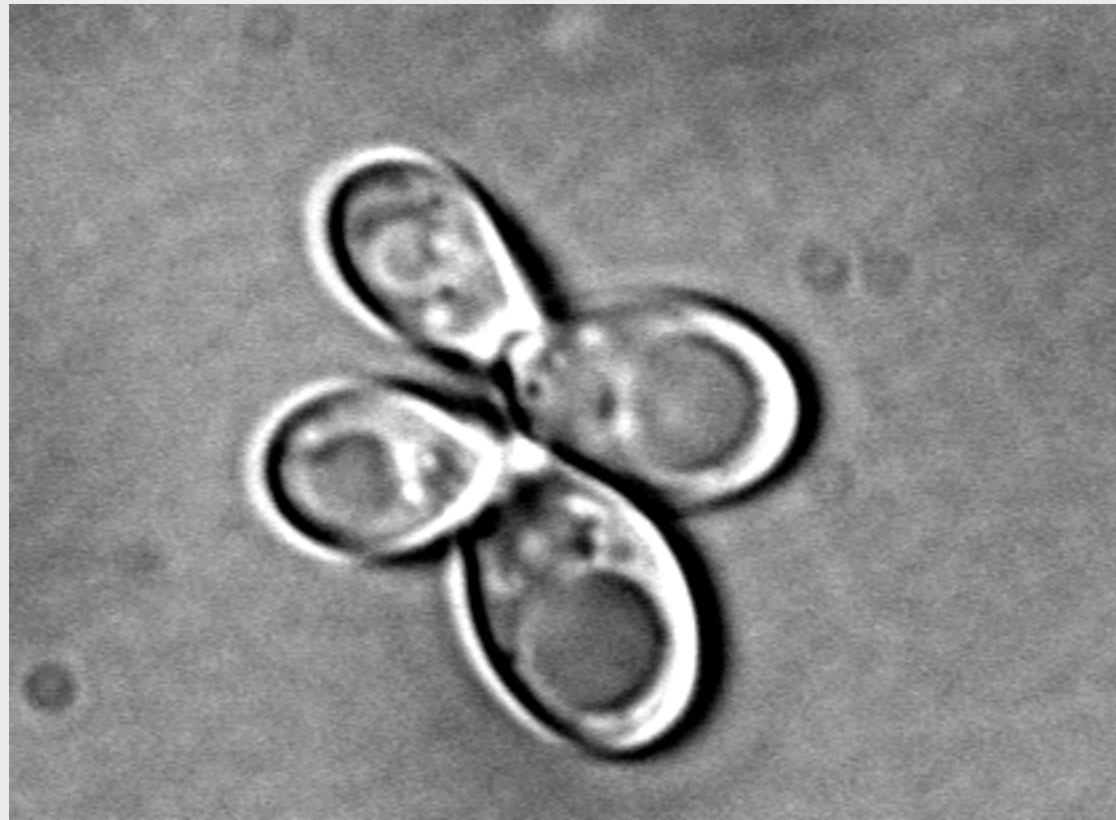
Jacobson, Hickey, Glass & Read



# The Mycelium

A. H. R. Buller 1931

# Yeast: growth and “spores” at the same time.



<http://genome-www.stanford.edu/Saccharomyces/>

Diane Nowicki and Ryan Liermann

# Leavened Bread



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# **Total Revenue for Selected Industries**

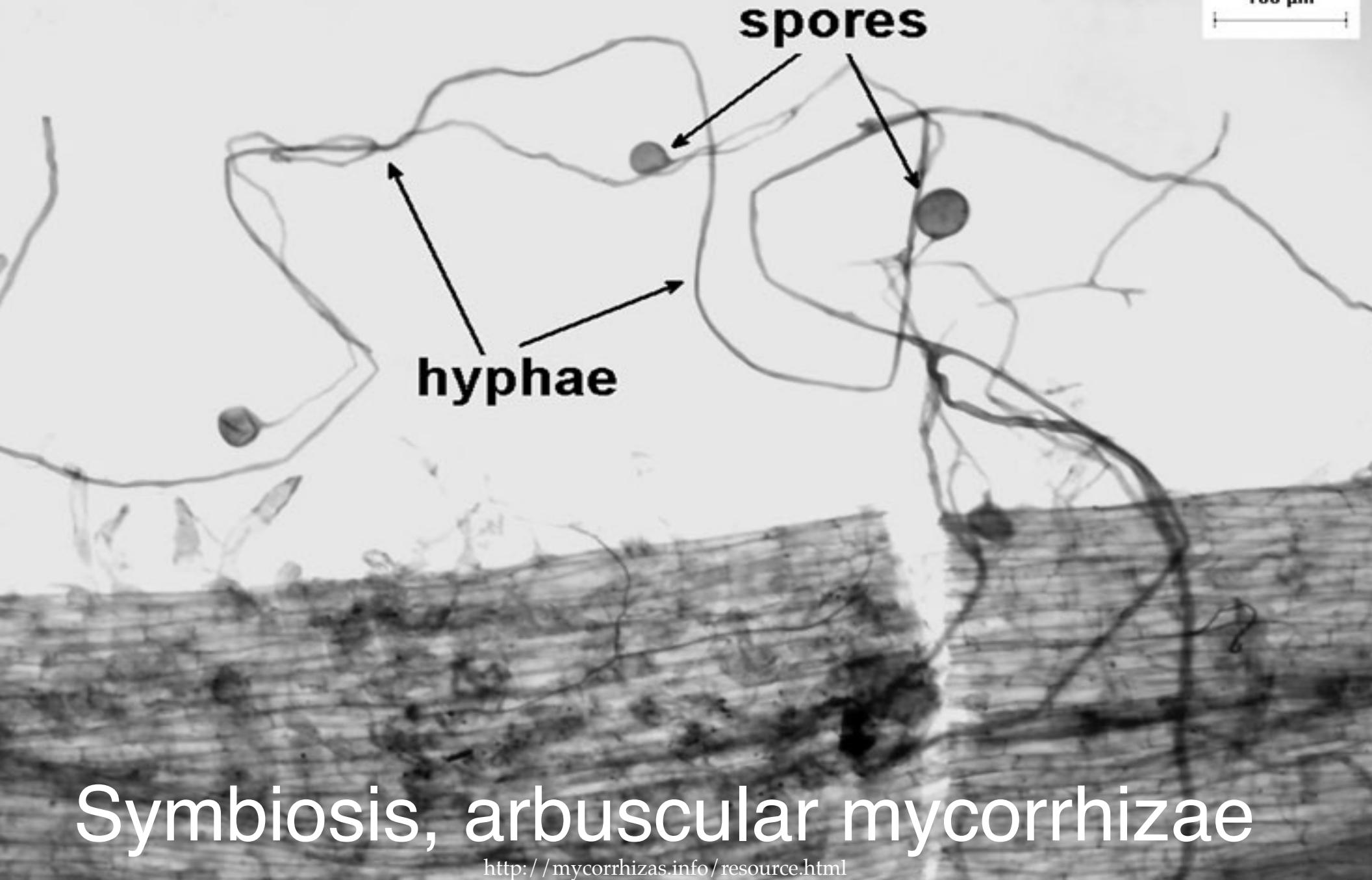
**Alcoholic Beverages    \$1000 Billion**

**Automotive                        \$900 Billion**

**Aerospace                        \$666 Billion**

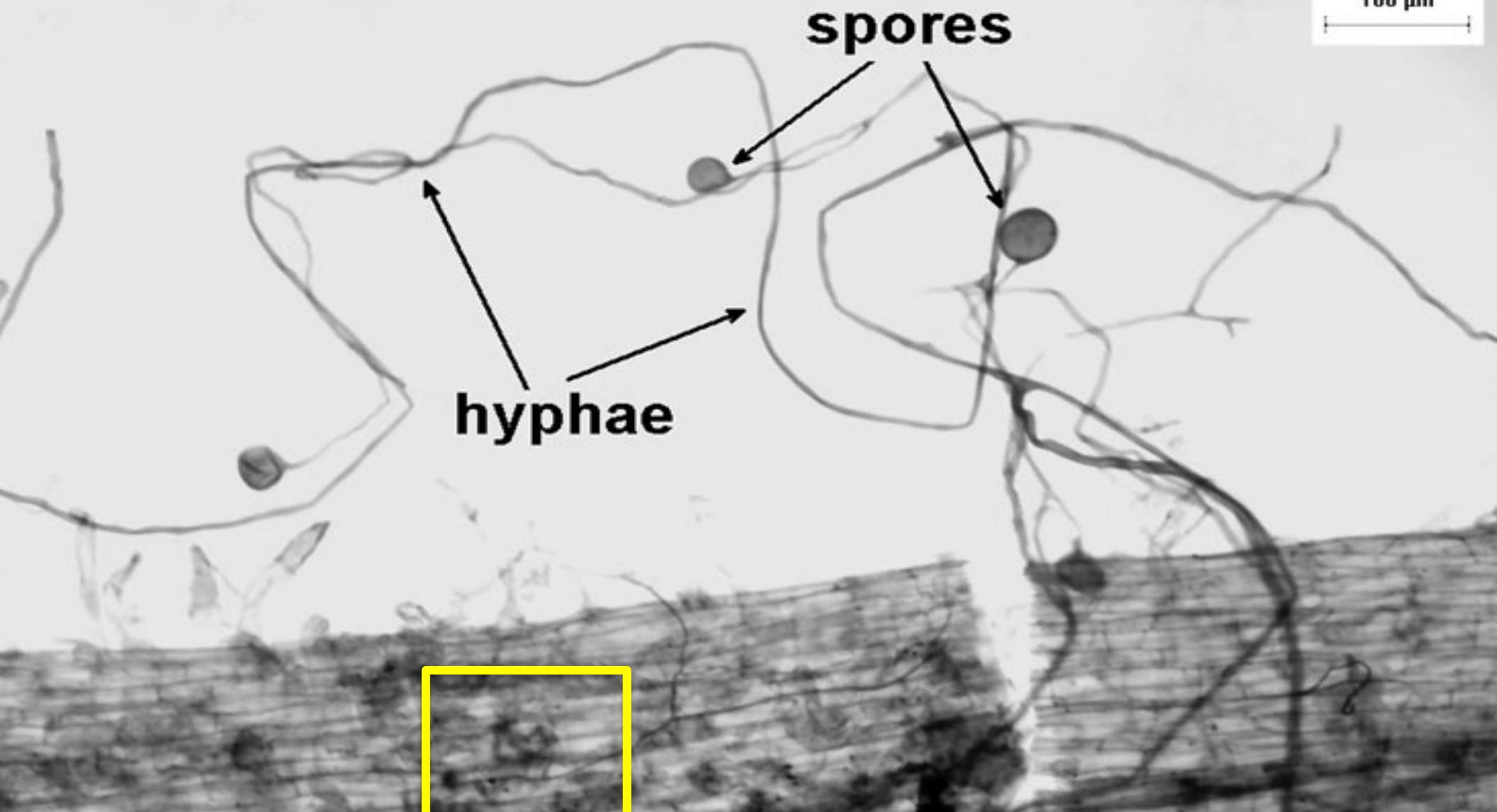
**Crude oil                        \$1300 Billion**

100  $\mu\text{m}$

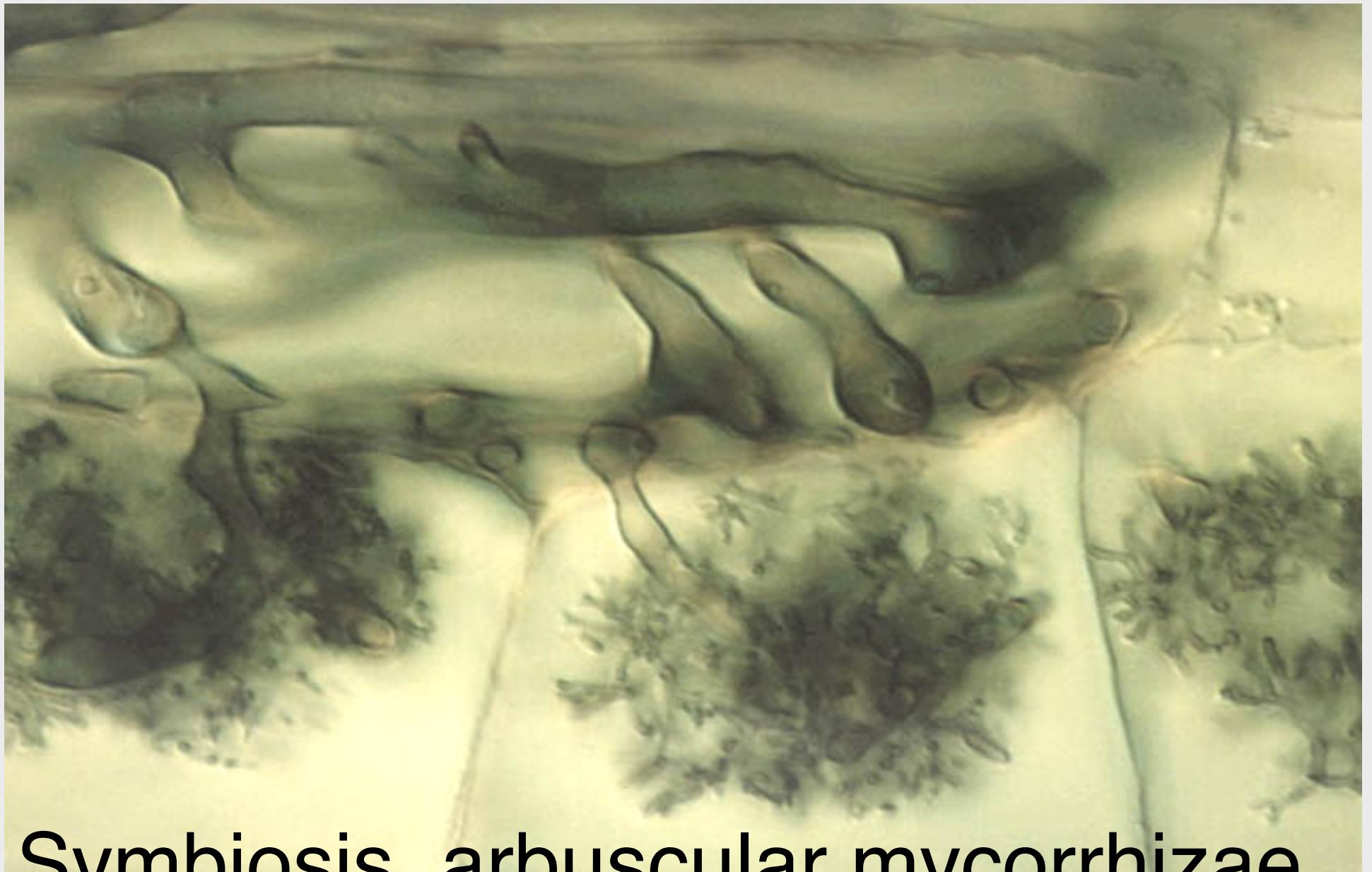


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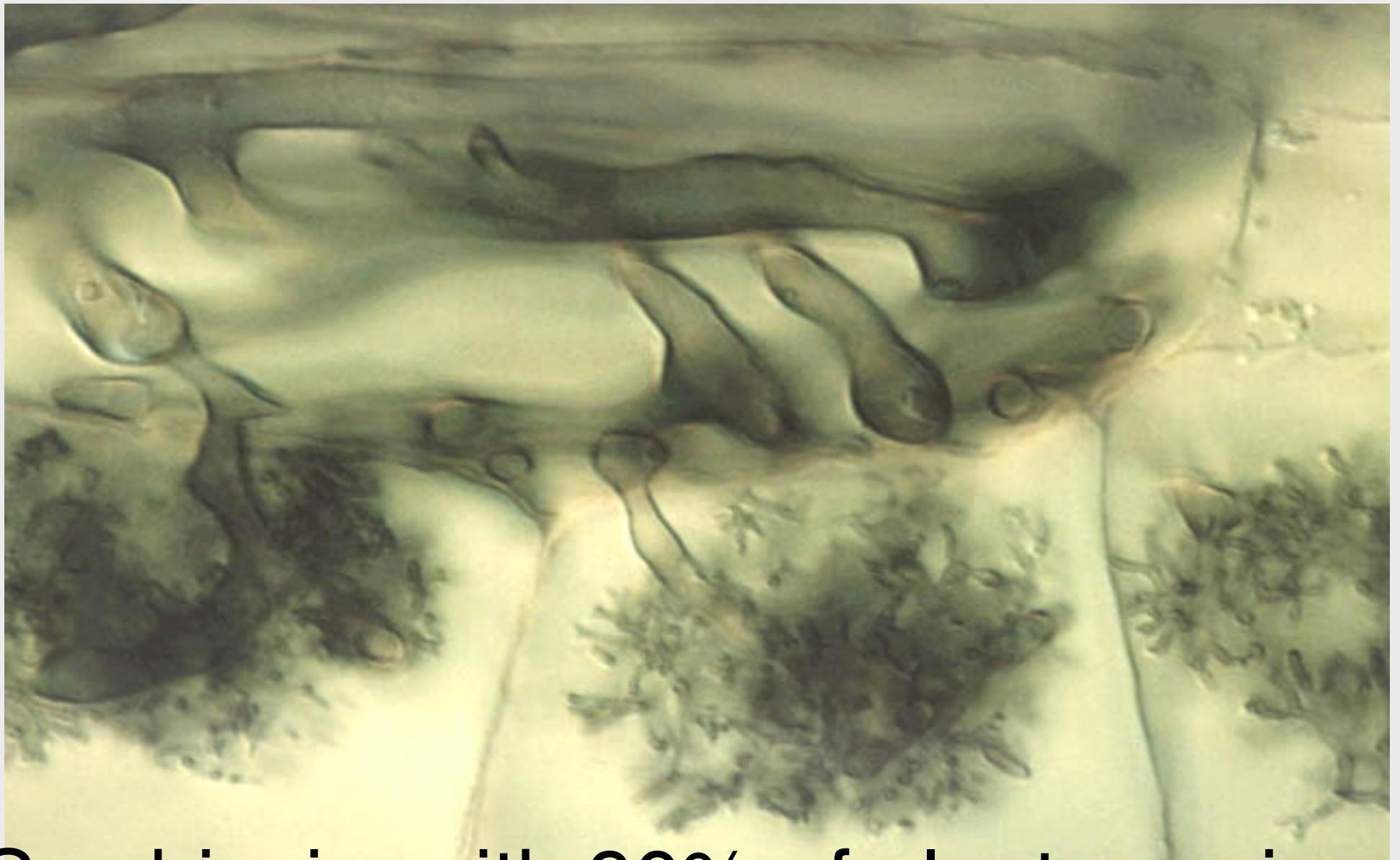


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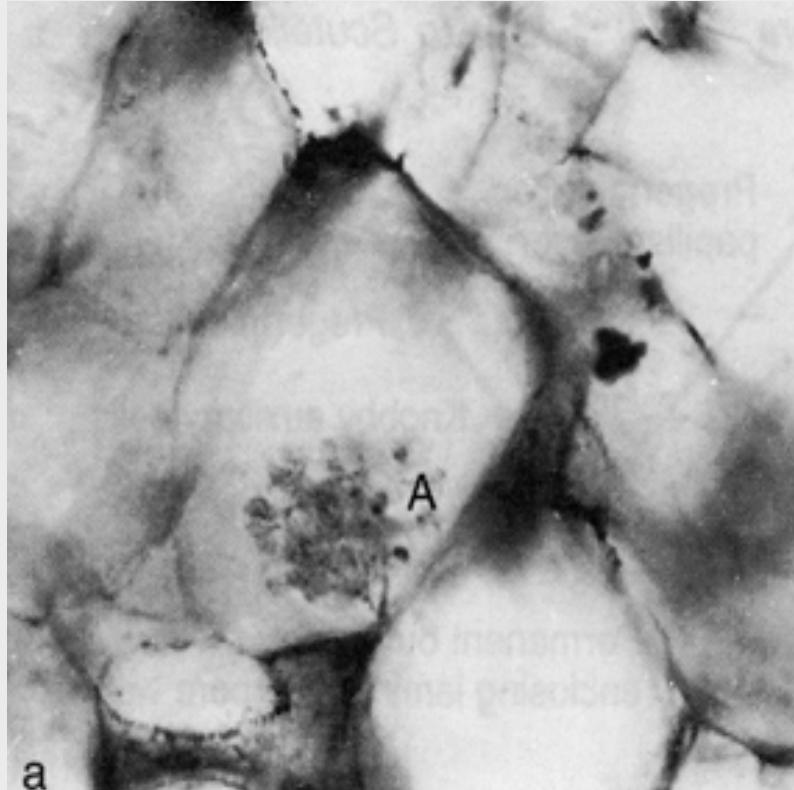
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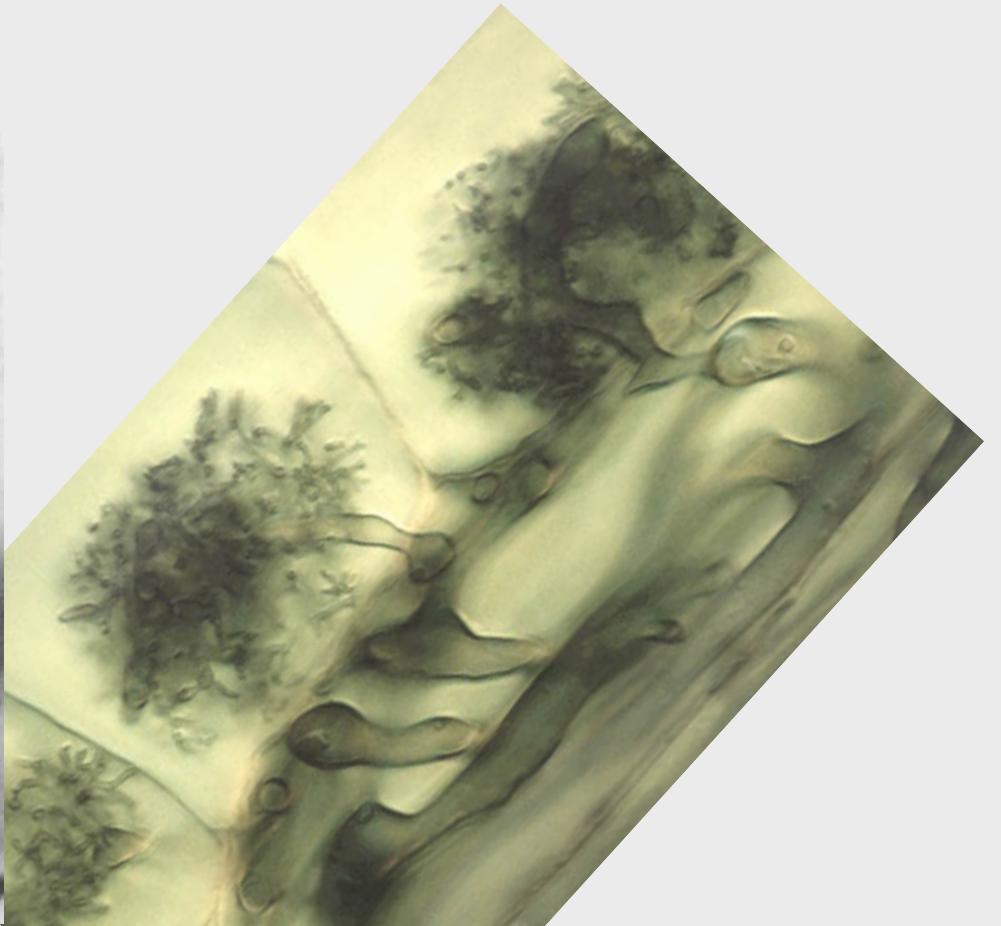


**Symbiosis, with 90% of plant species**

<http://mycorrhizas.info/resource.html>



Devonian Fossil    Modern Glomales  
400 mya



Remy, Taylor et al. 1994



# Symbiosis, Ectomycorrhizae

Antonio Izzo - Tom Bruns



# Symbiosis, with Oaks and Pines

Antonio Izzo - Tom Bruns

# *Batrachochytrium* & Sierran yellow-legged frog.



Photos from Vance Vreedenberg and Jess Morgan

. . . and another 30% of amphibians.



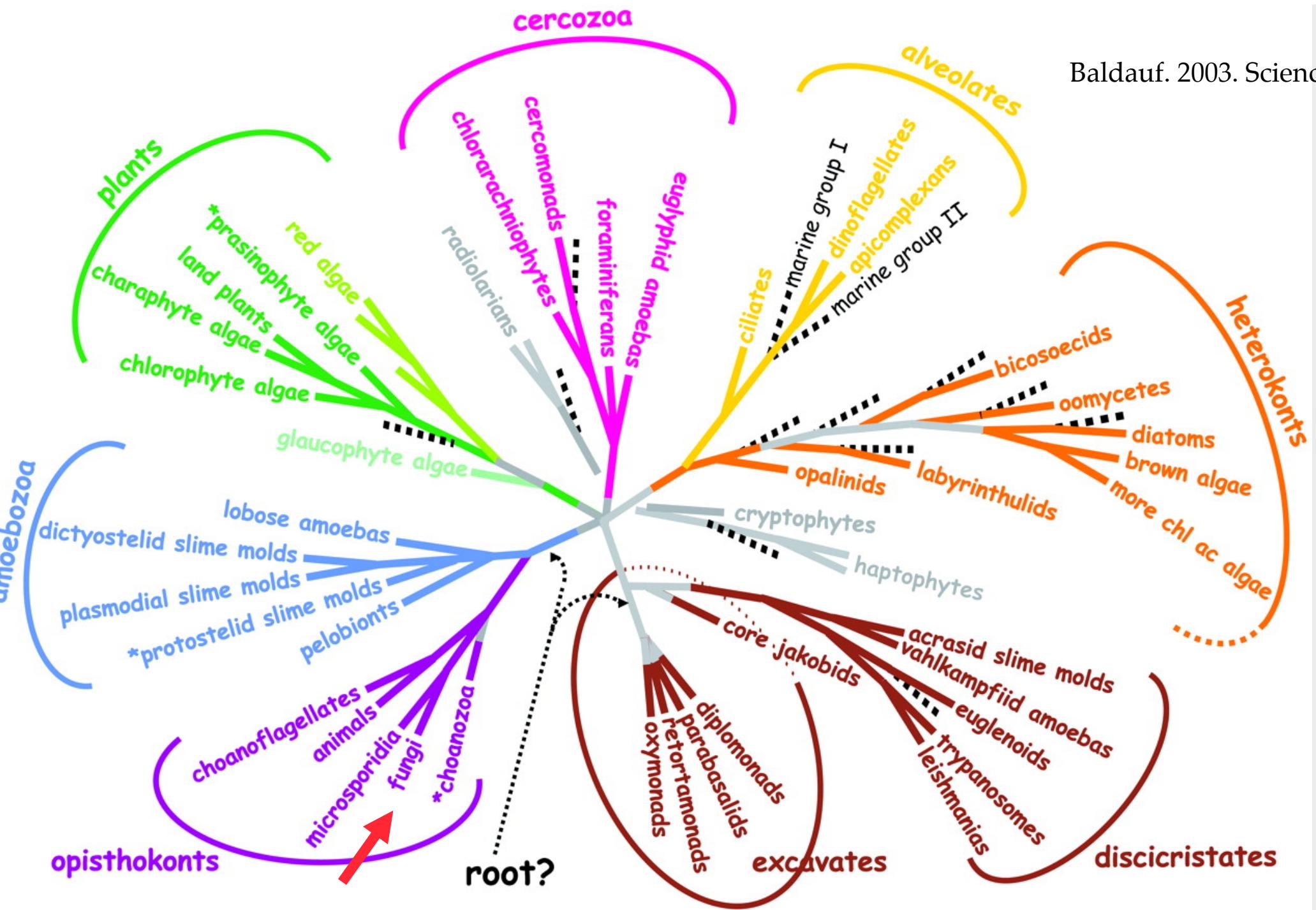
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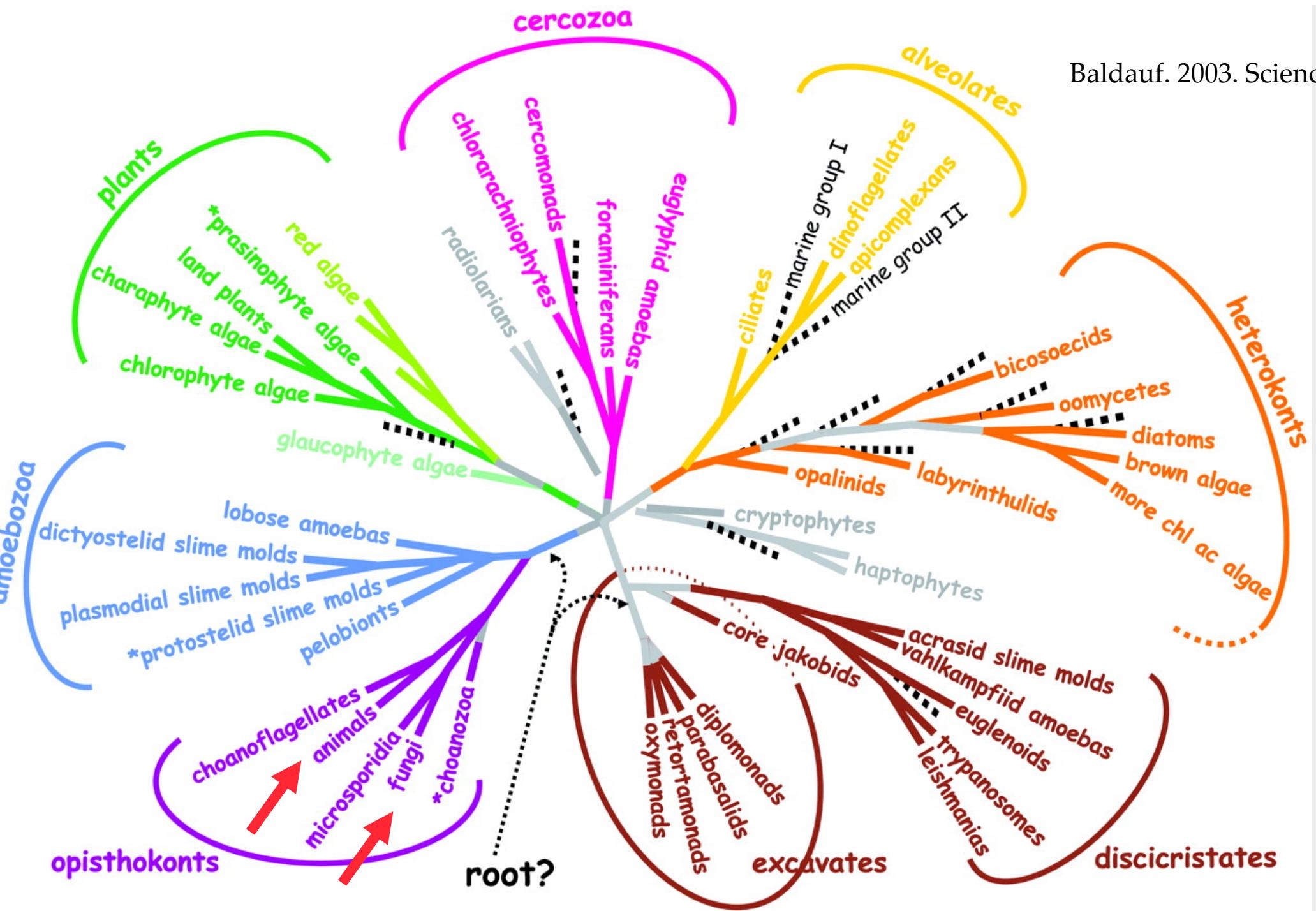
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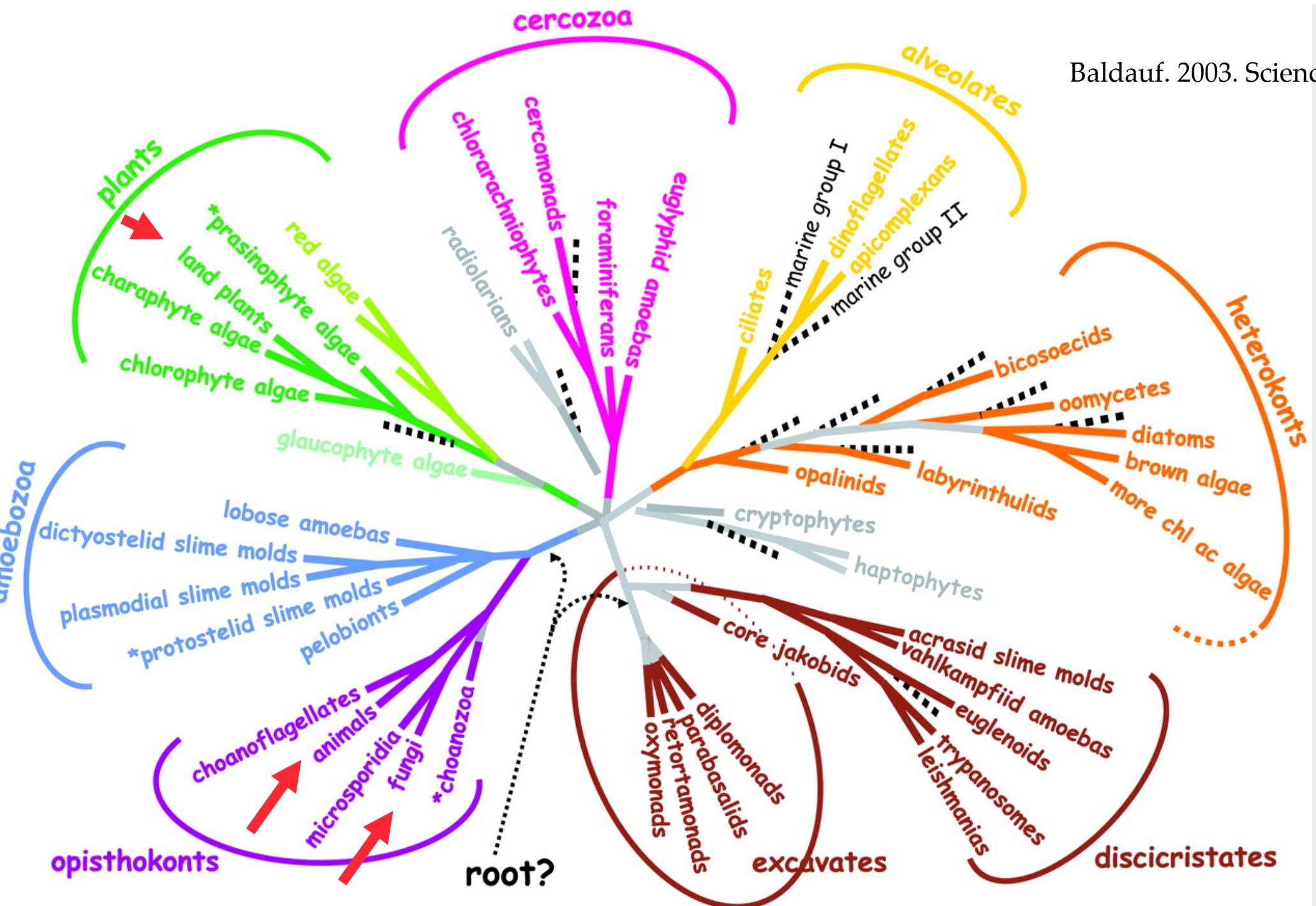
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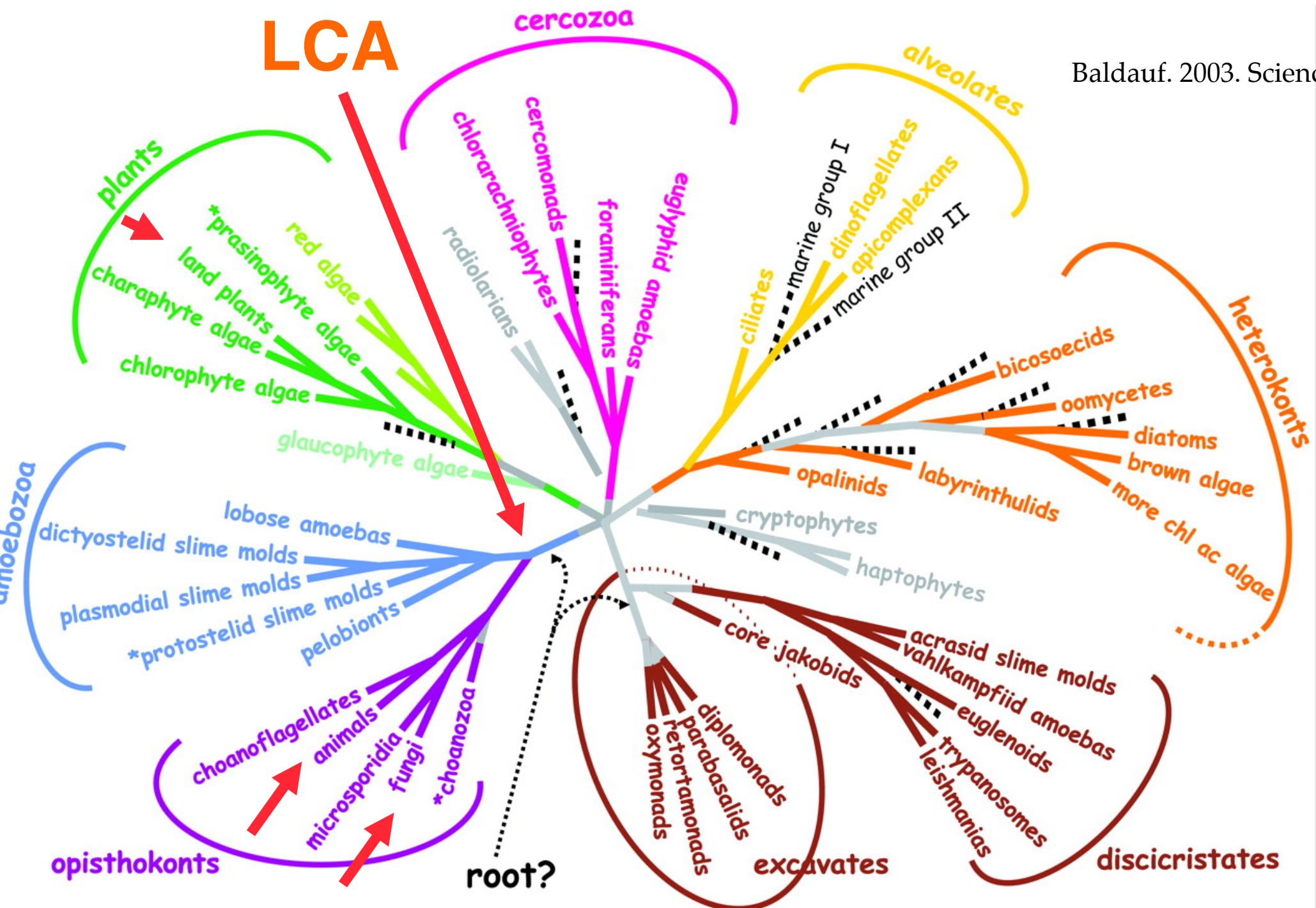


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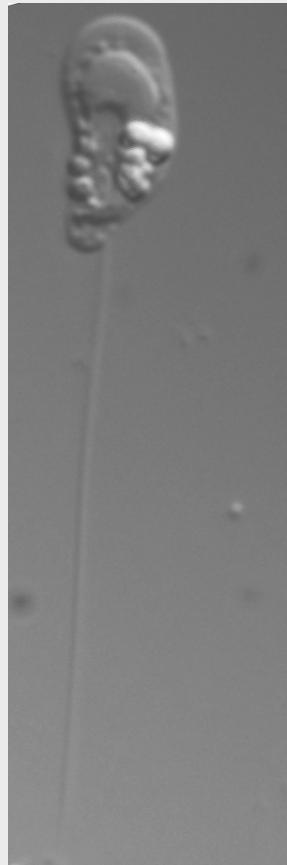




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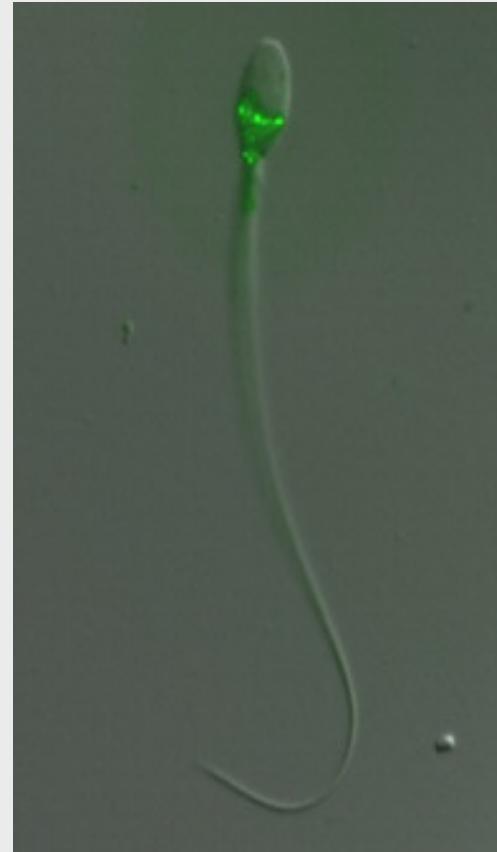
# LAST COMMON ANCESTOR - FUNGI & ANIMALS



Fungal  
Zoospore

*Blastocladia simplex*

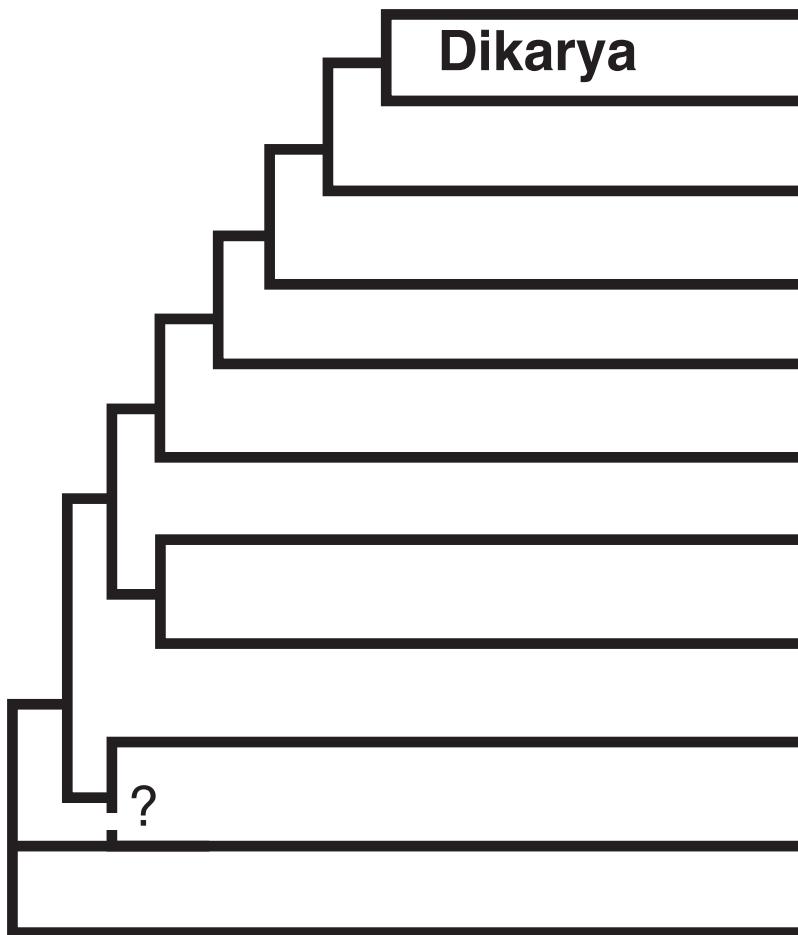
Stajich et al. 2008 Current Biology



Mammalian  
Spermatozooan

*Equus ferus caballus*

Wrench et al. 2010. Animal Repro Sci



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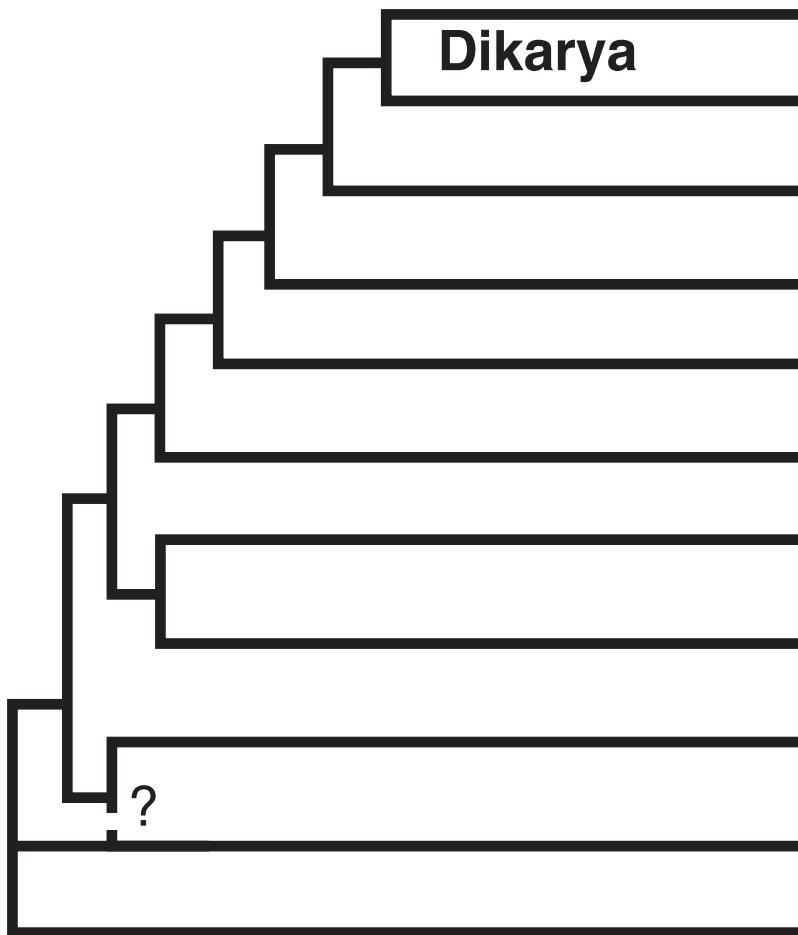
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*Neurospora*



Sordariales, *Neurospora*

One gene - one enzyme

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1958

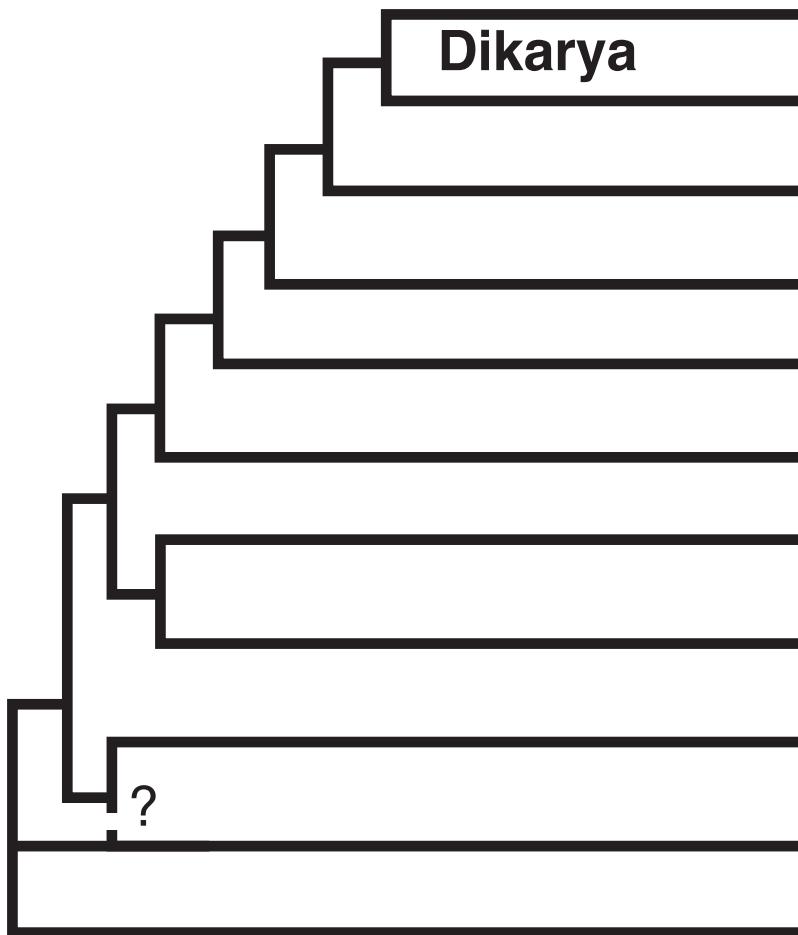


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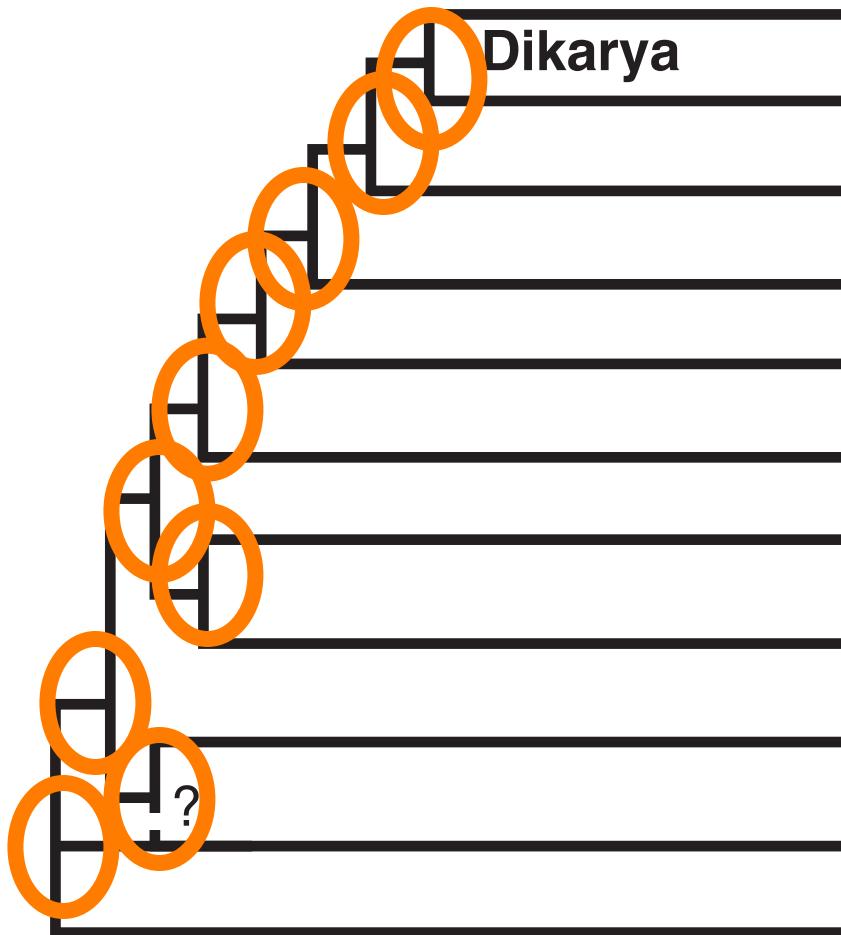
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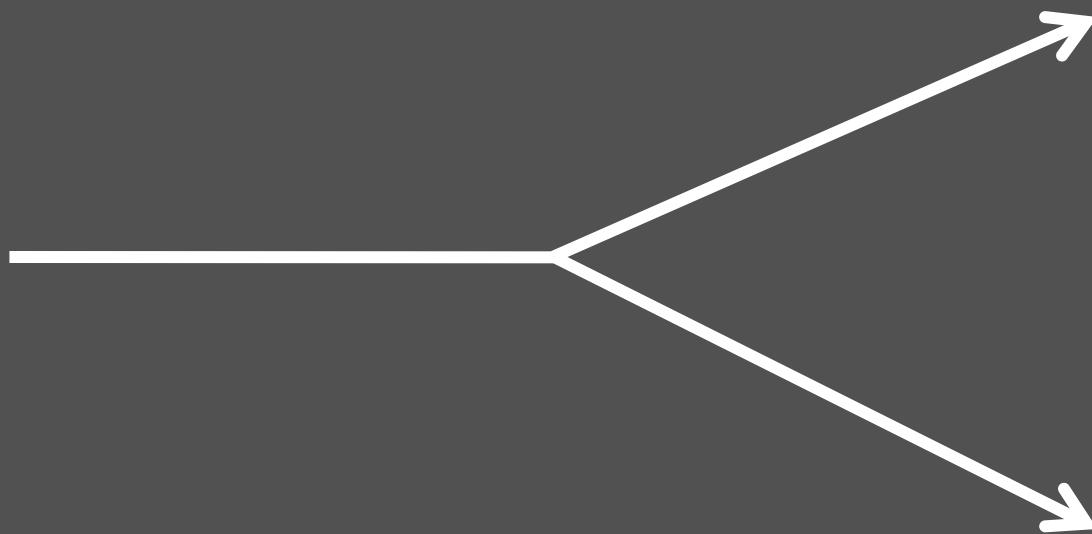
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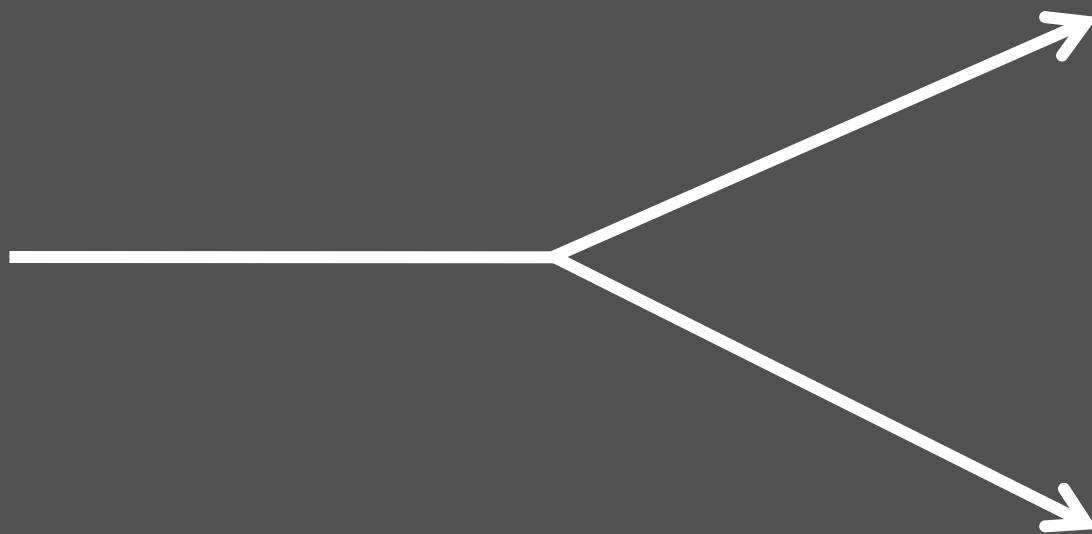
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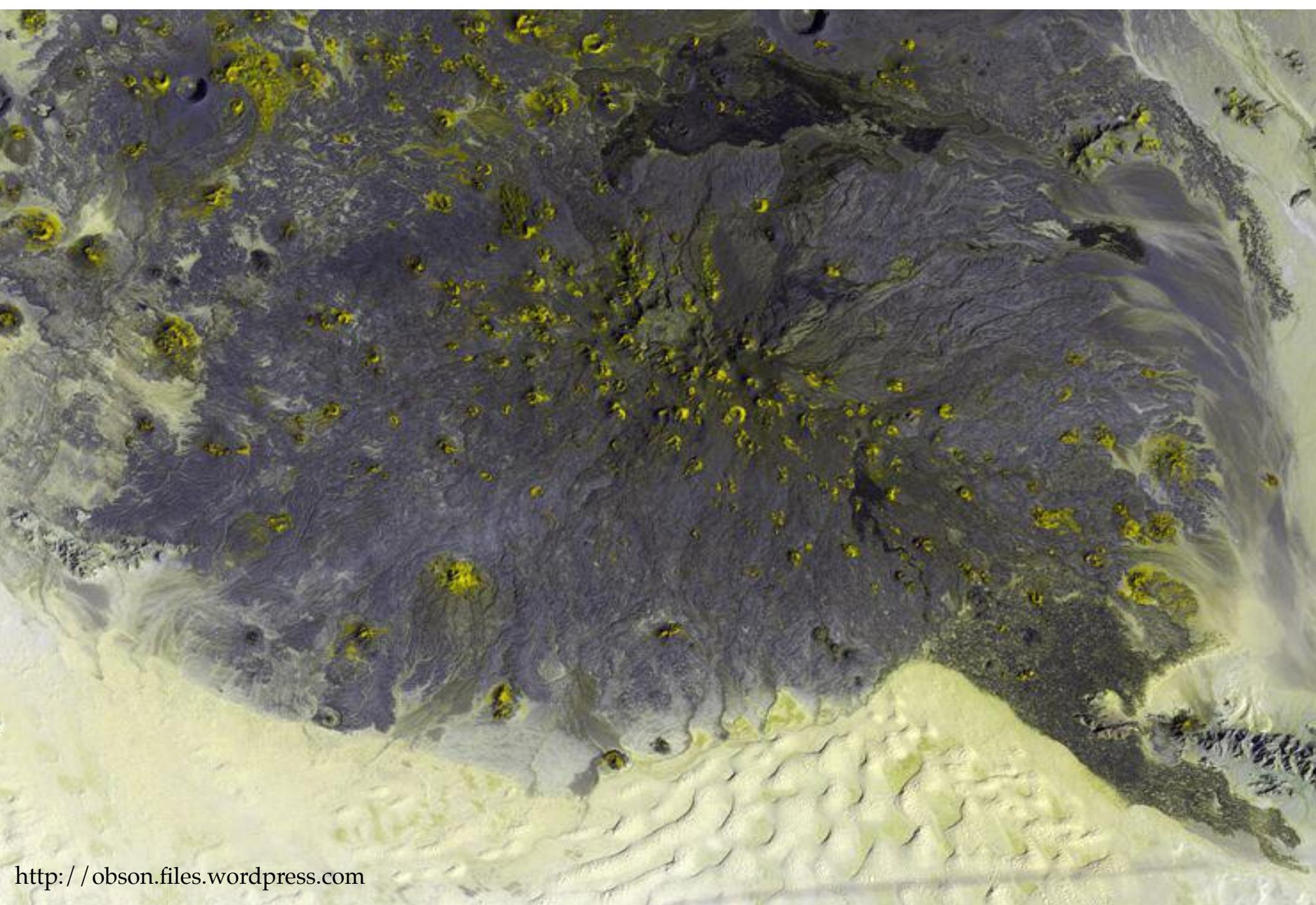
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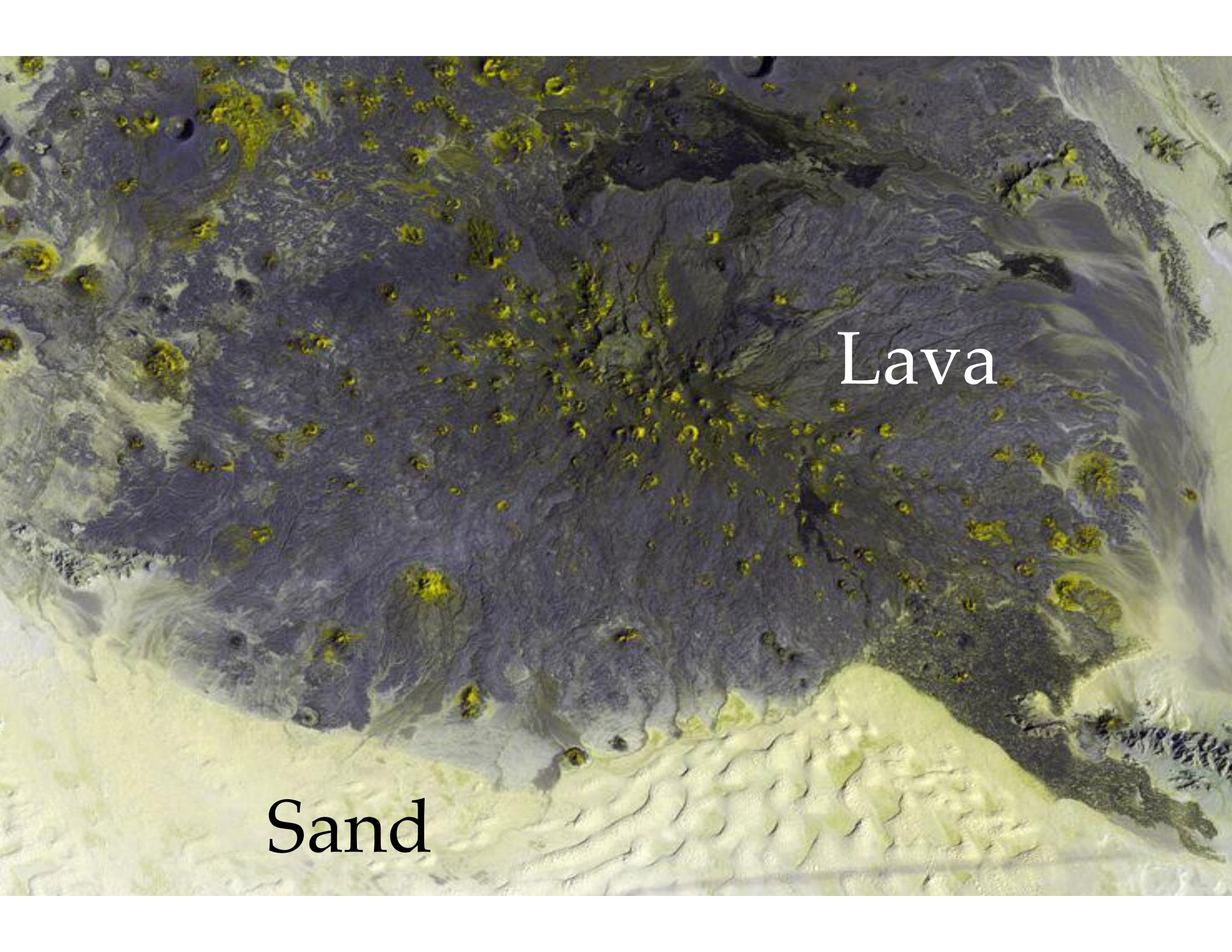
# Adaptation: What environmental factors? What adaptive phenotypes?

Lava  
flows





<http://obson.files.wordpress.com>

An aerial photograph of a coastal landscape. The upper two-thirds of the image are dominated by dark, greyish-blue lava flows, characterized by theirropy textures and scattered bright yellow-green spots of vegetation. The lower third shows light-colored, tan sand dunes with distinct wavy patterns. The transition between the lava and sand is somewhat blurred, suggesting a recent flow or a thin lava layer overlying sand. The overall scene is one of a volcanic coastline.

Lava

Sand



# Adaptive Coat Color

*Chaetodipus intermedius*

Nature Reviews | Genetics

Feder, ME and T Mitchell-Olds. 2003. Nature Reviews Genetics



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What environmental  
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What phenotype?



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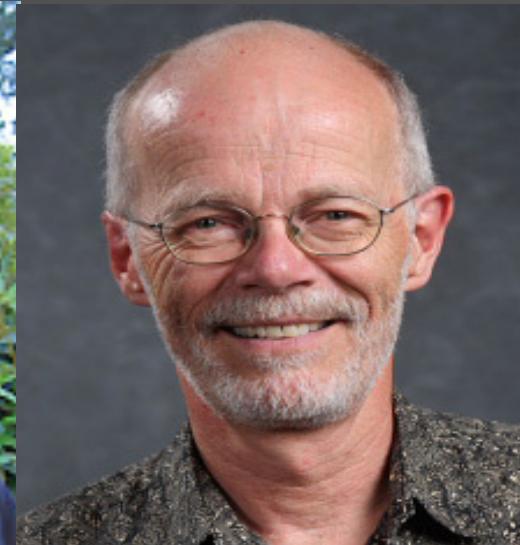
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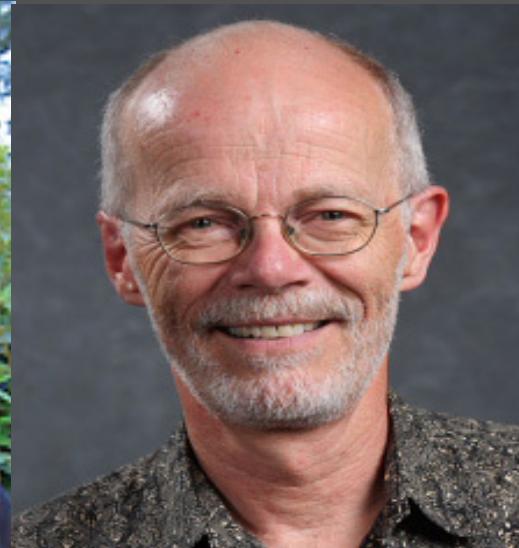
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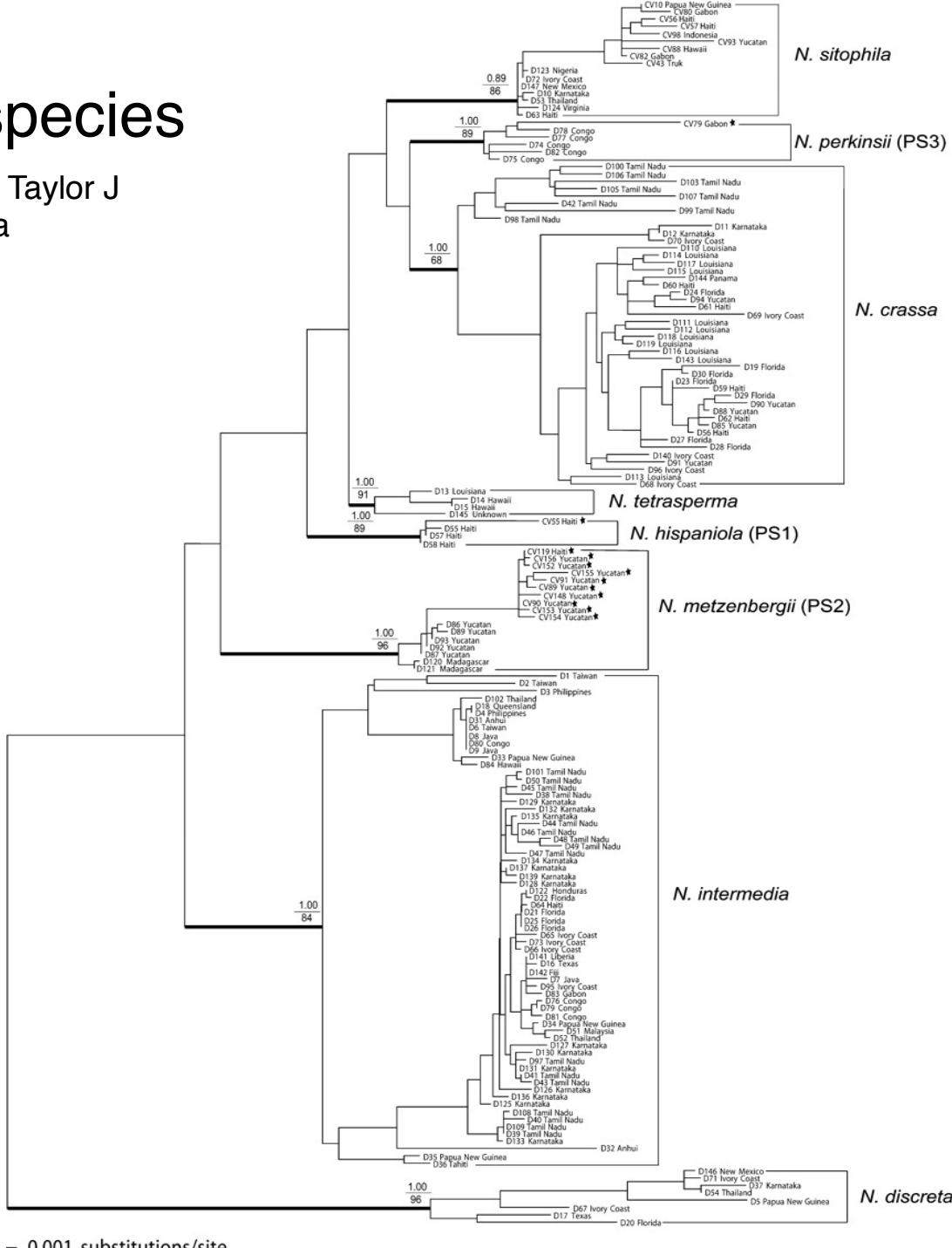
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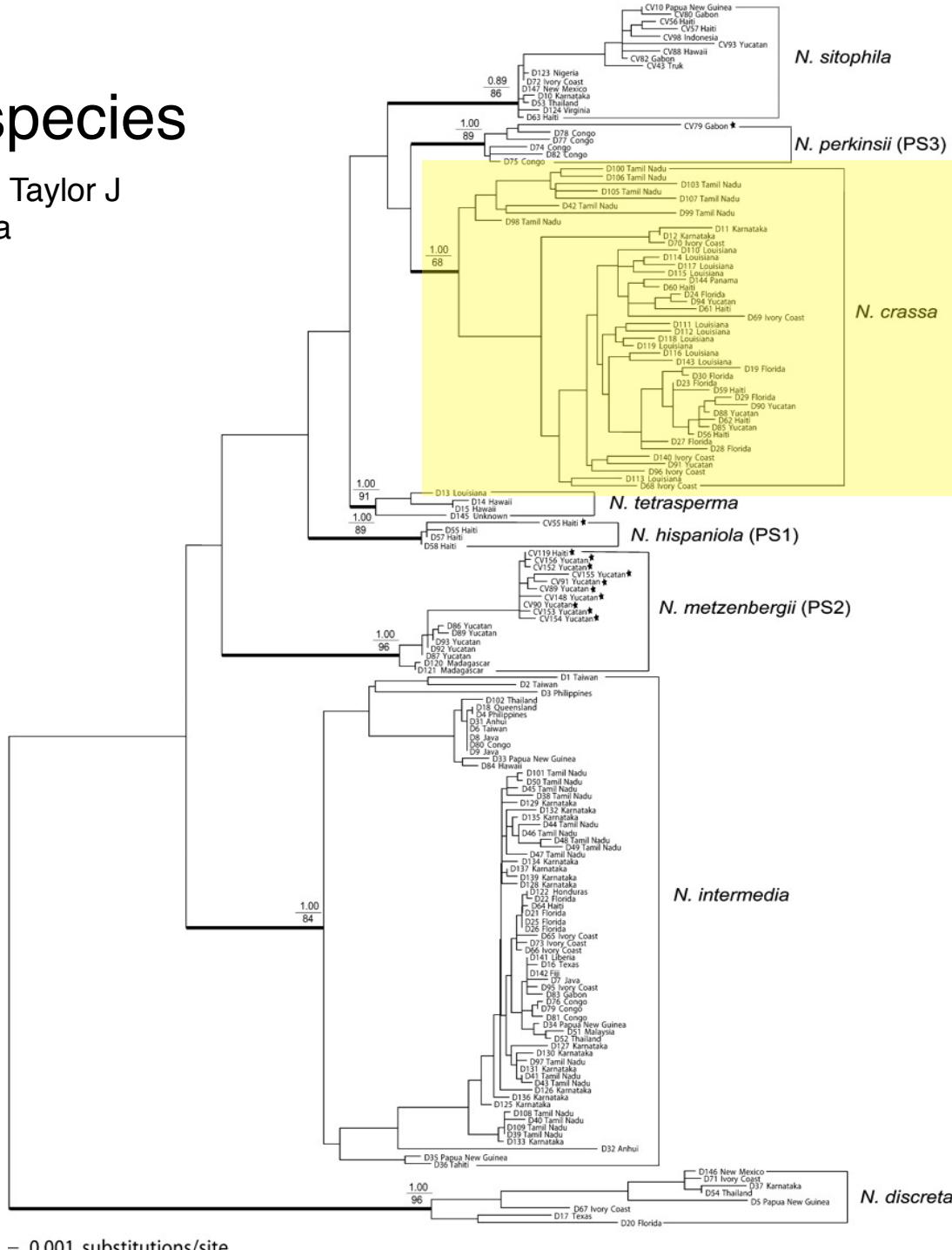
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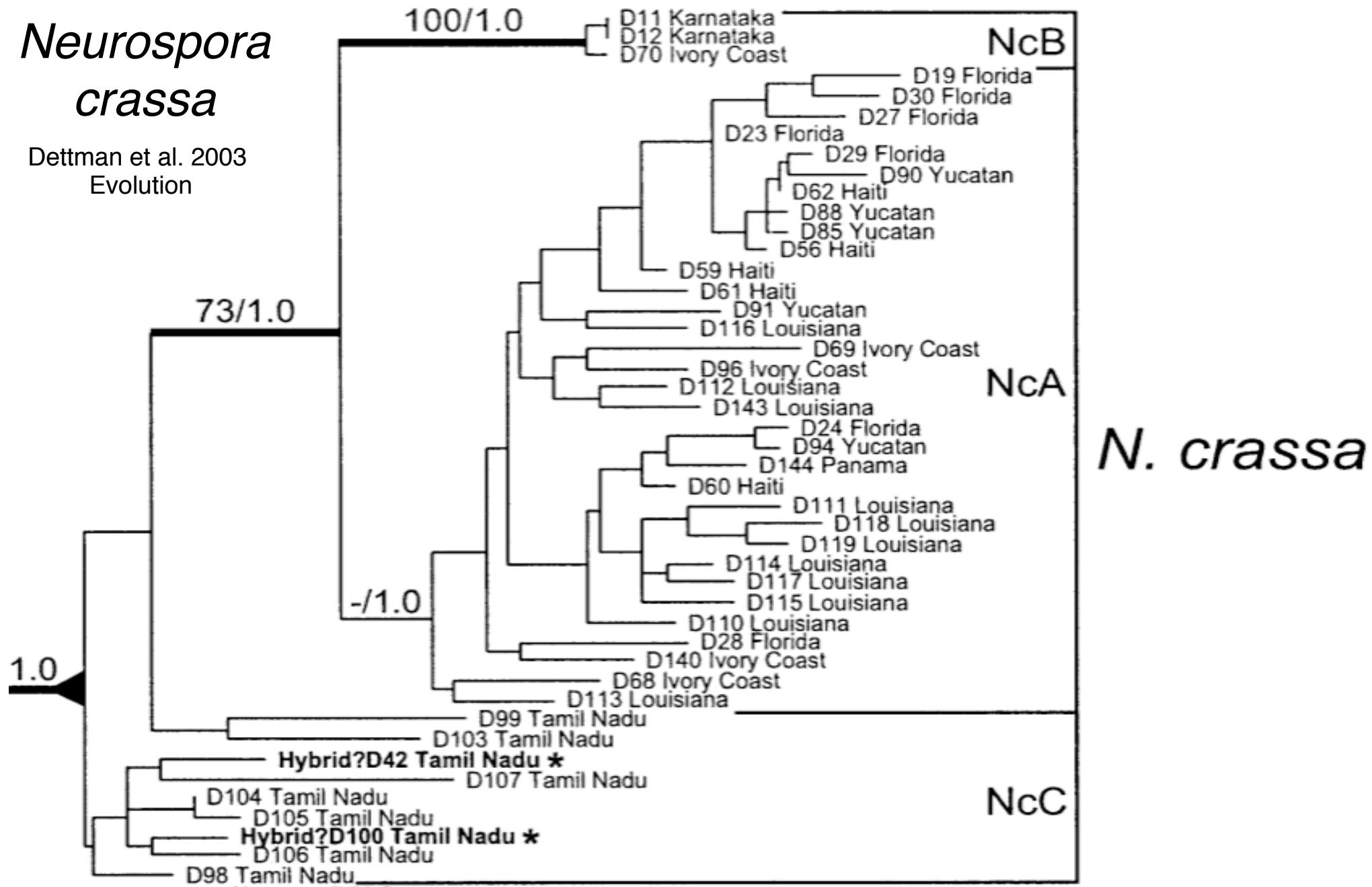
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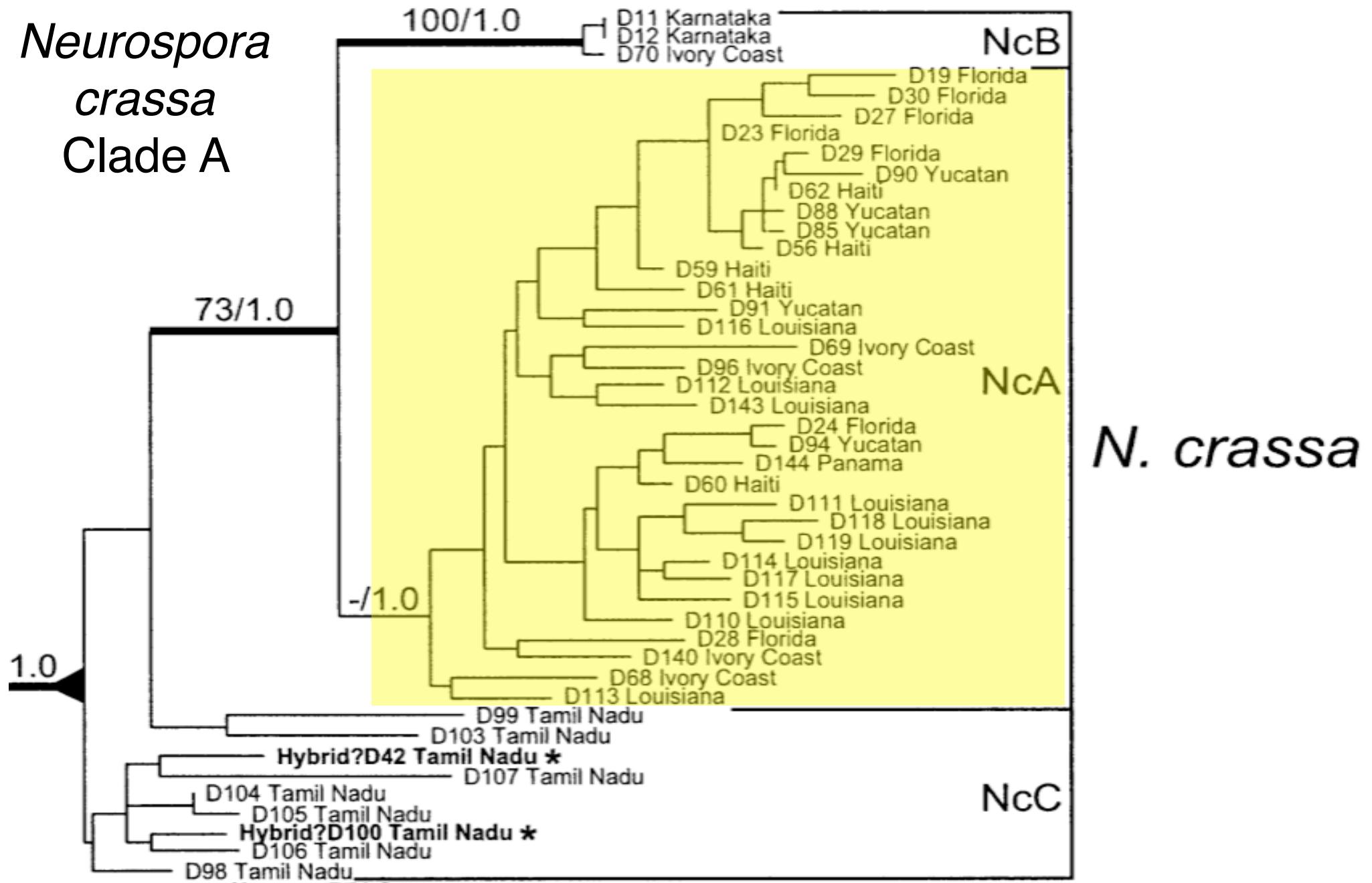


# *Neurospora* *crassa*

Dettman et al. 2003  
Evolution



*Neurospora*  
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Clade A

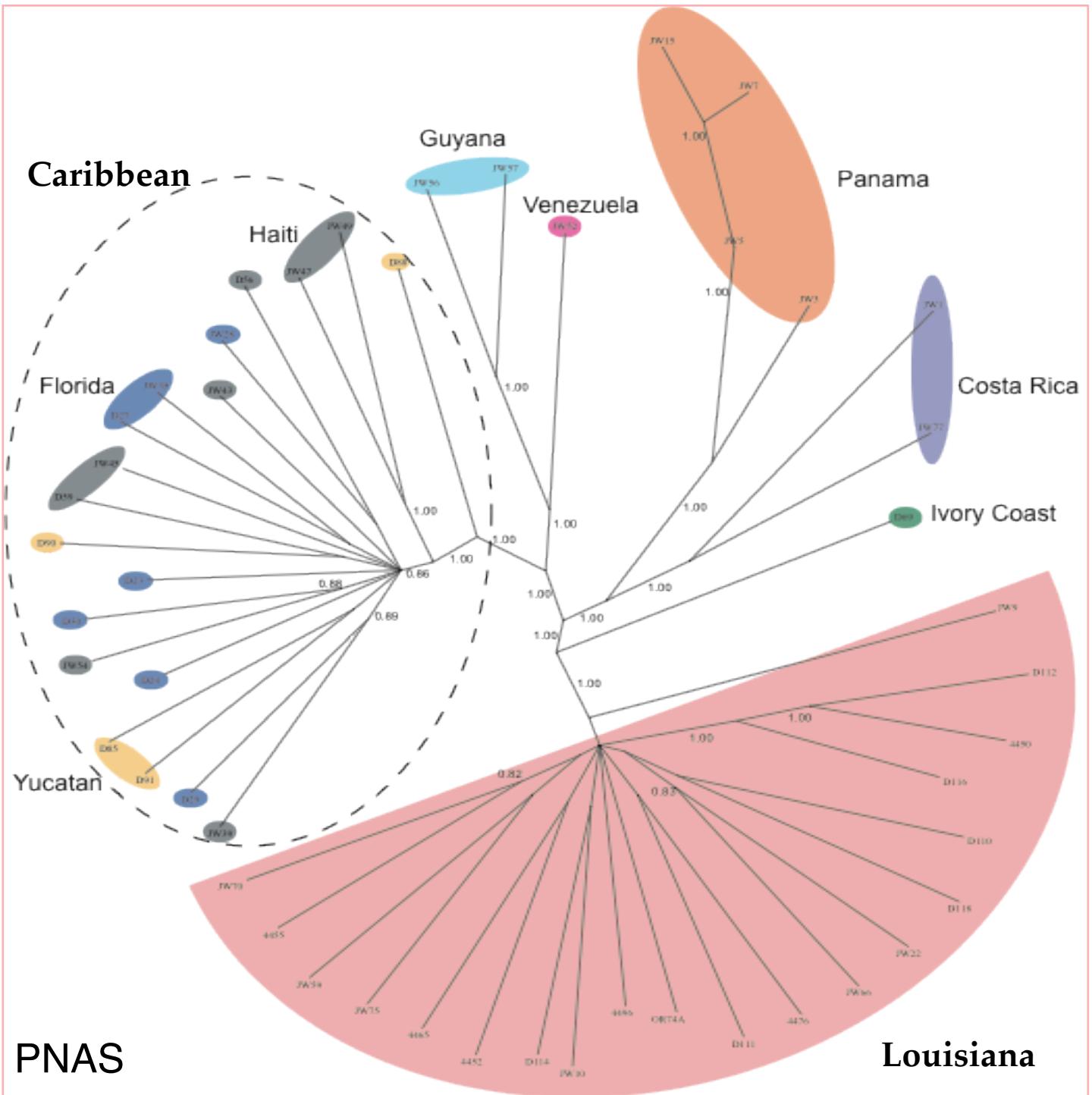


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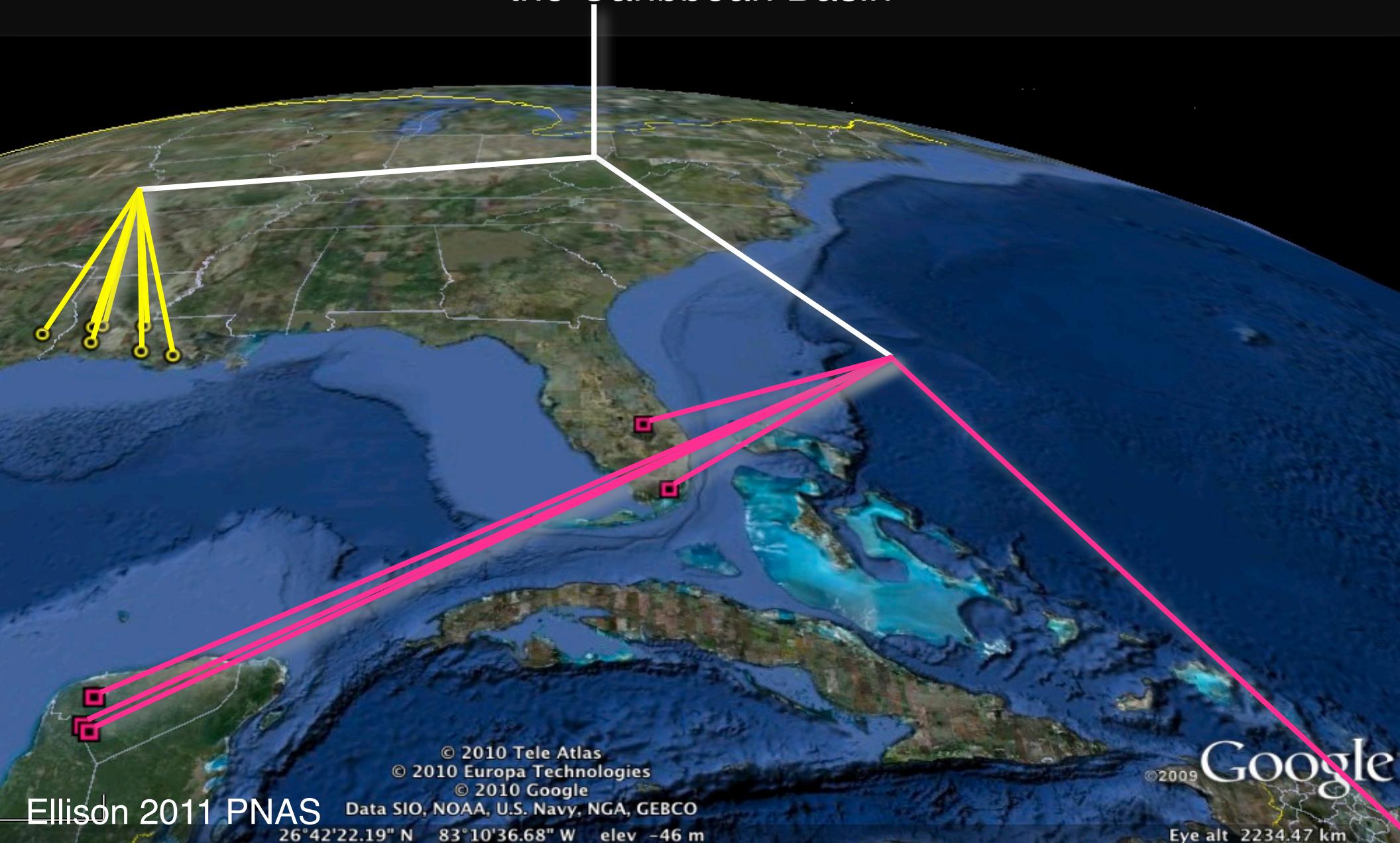
# Genome sequence data

## Illumina Next-Generation-Sequencing

- 63 strains total
- SNPs
  - ~135,000 SNPs
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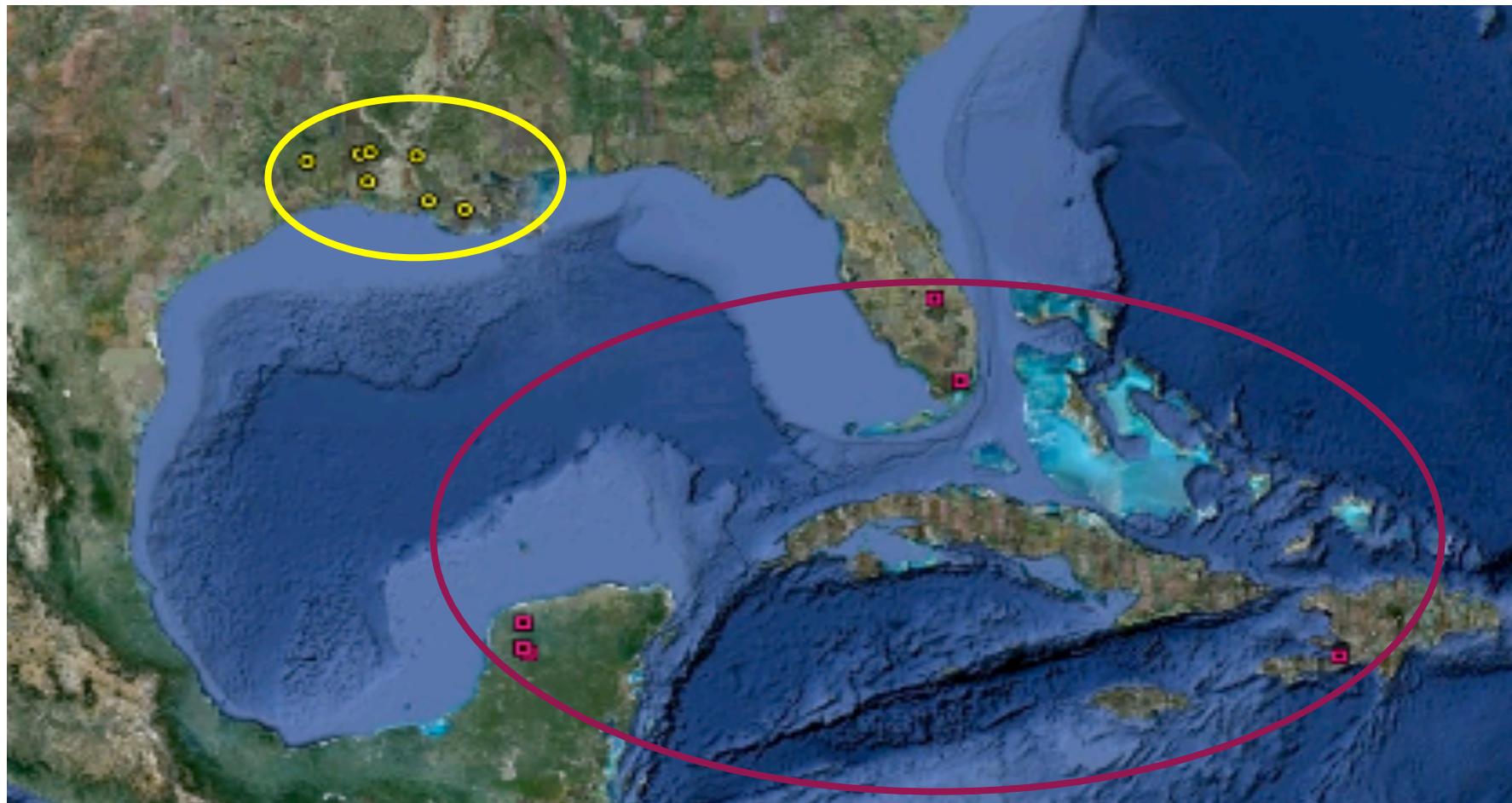
# Unexpected population structure in *Neurospora crassa* from the Caribbean Basin



# Two recently diverged populations

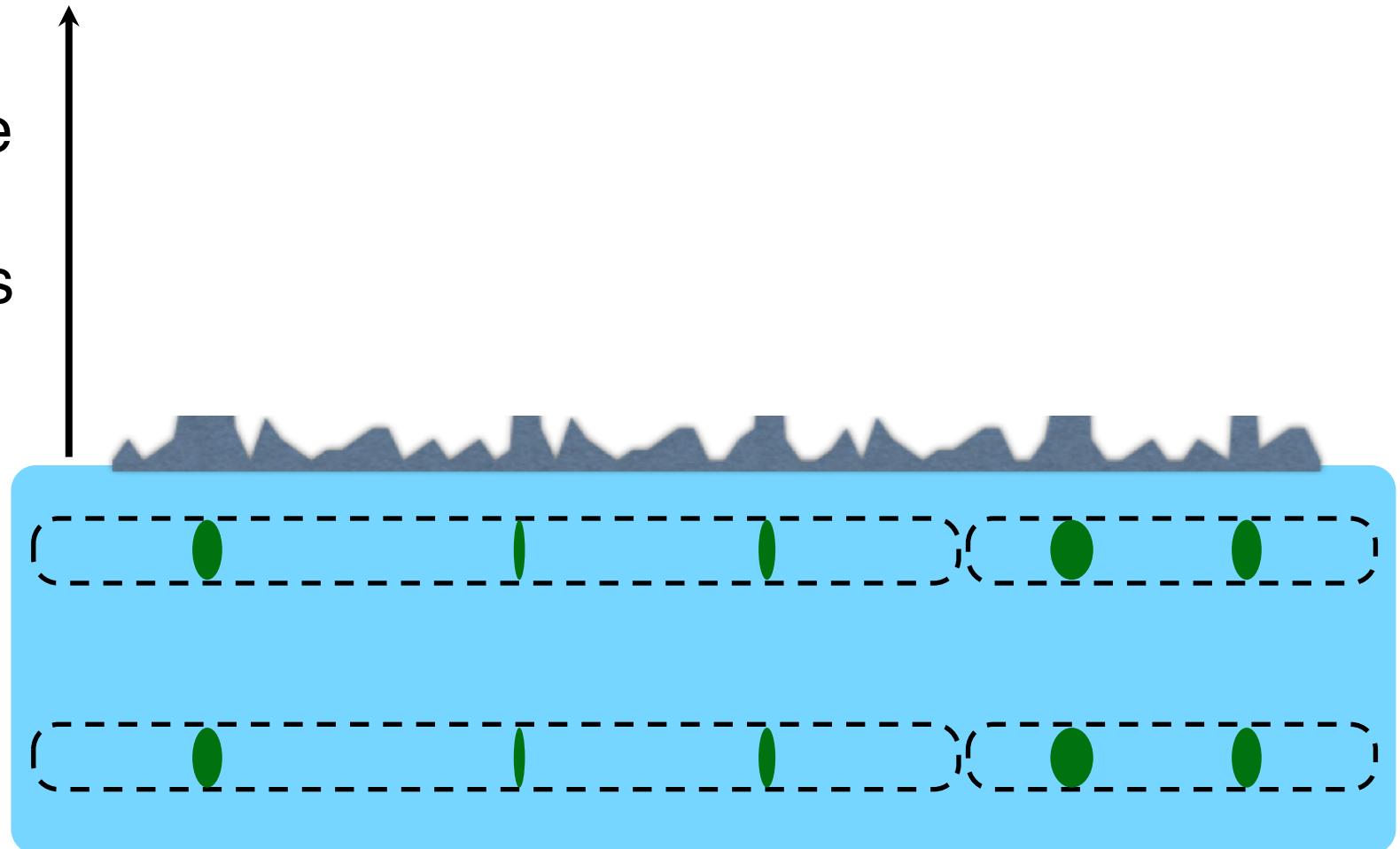
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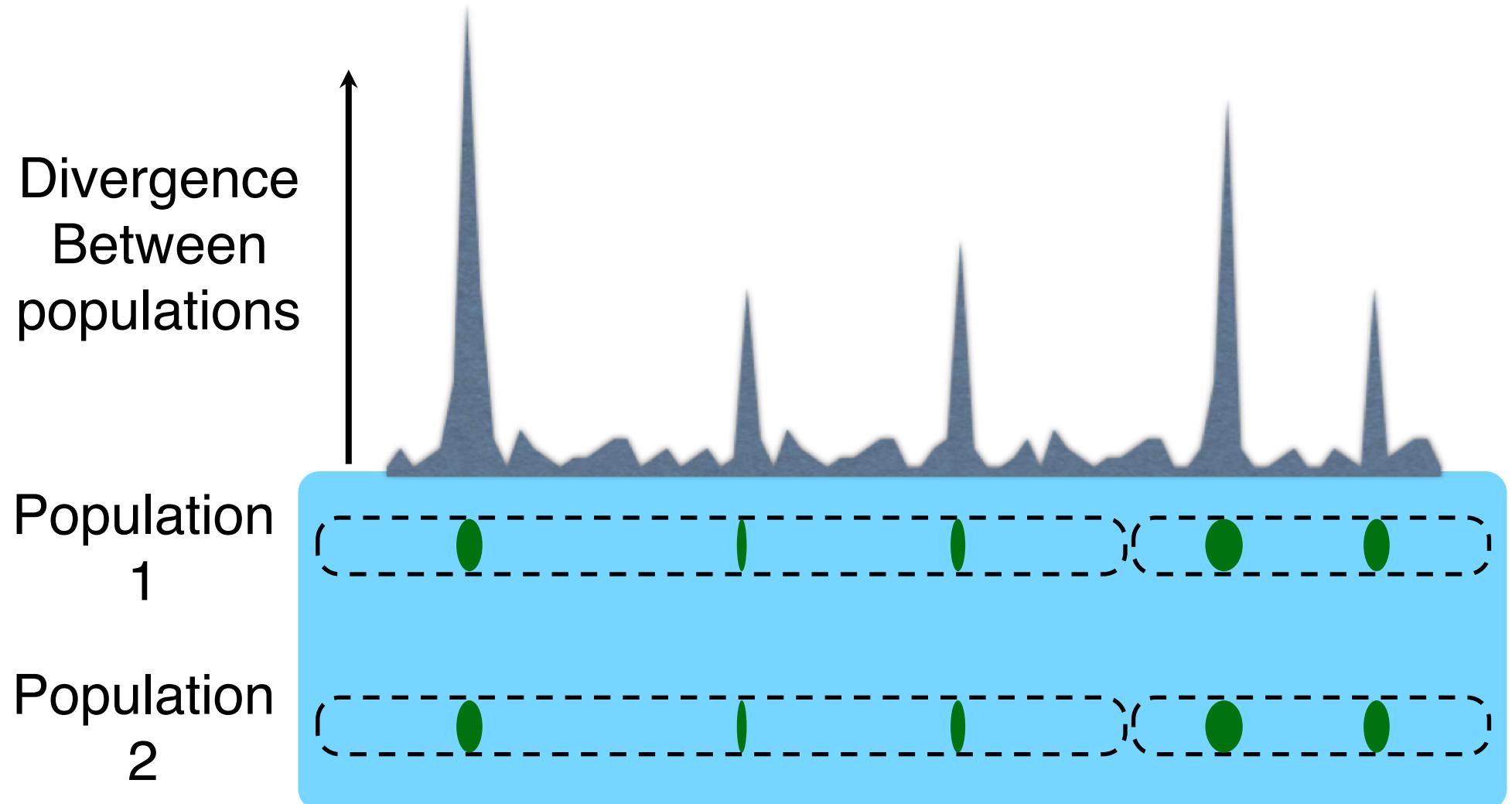


Divergence  
Between  
populations

Population  
1  
Population  
2



# “Speciation Islands”

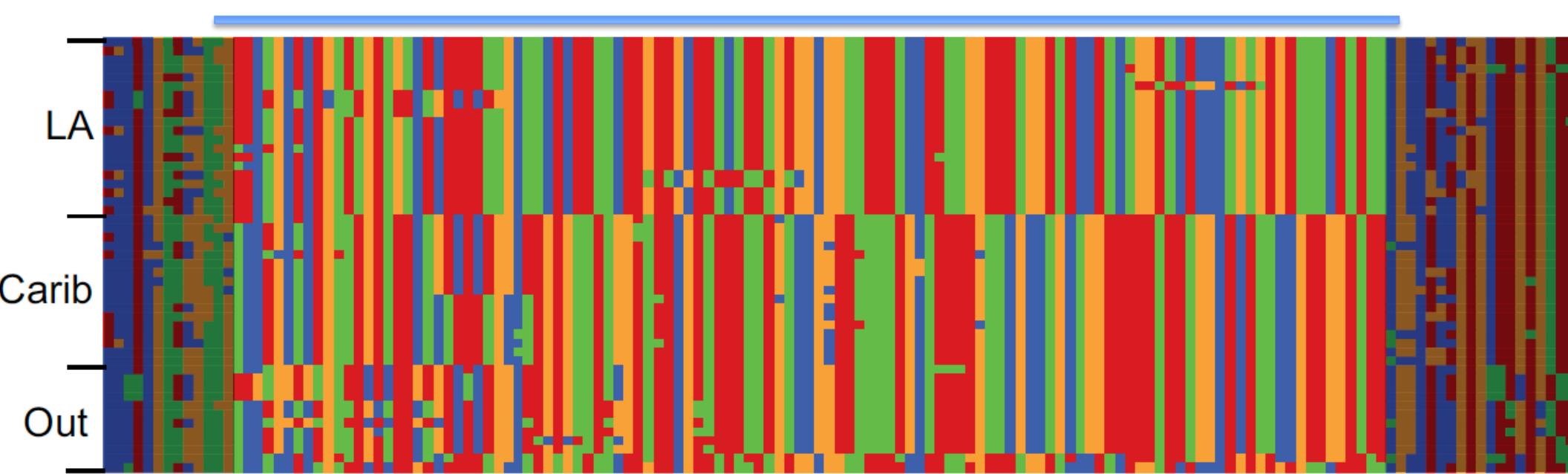


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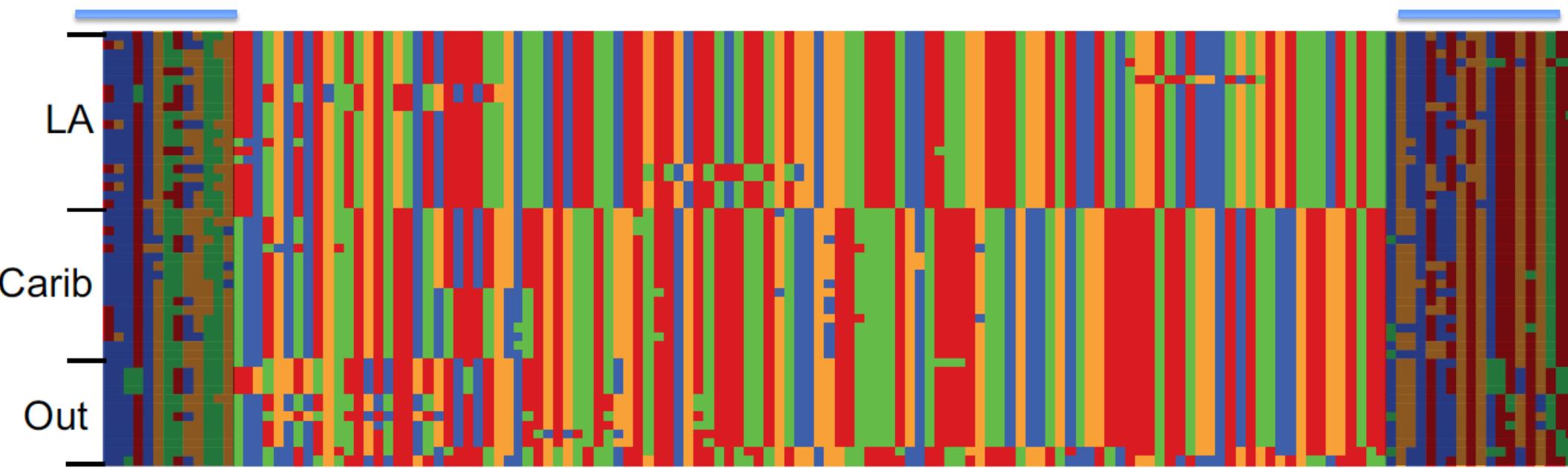


Islands of genetic differentiation in a stream of gene flow

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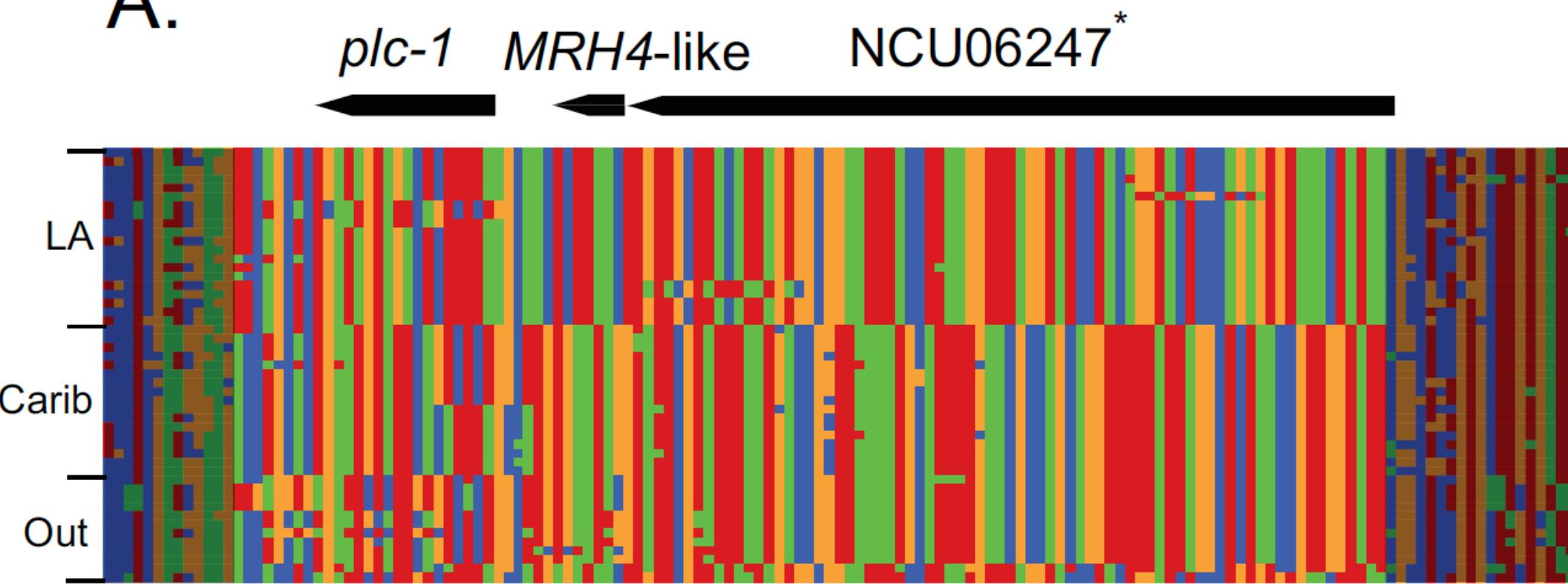


## *Rest of the genome*

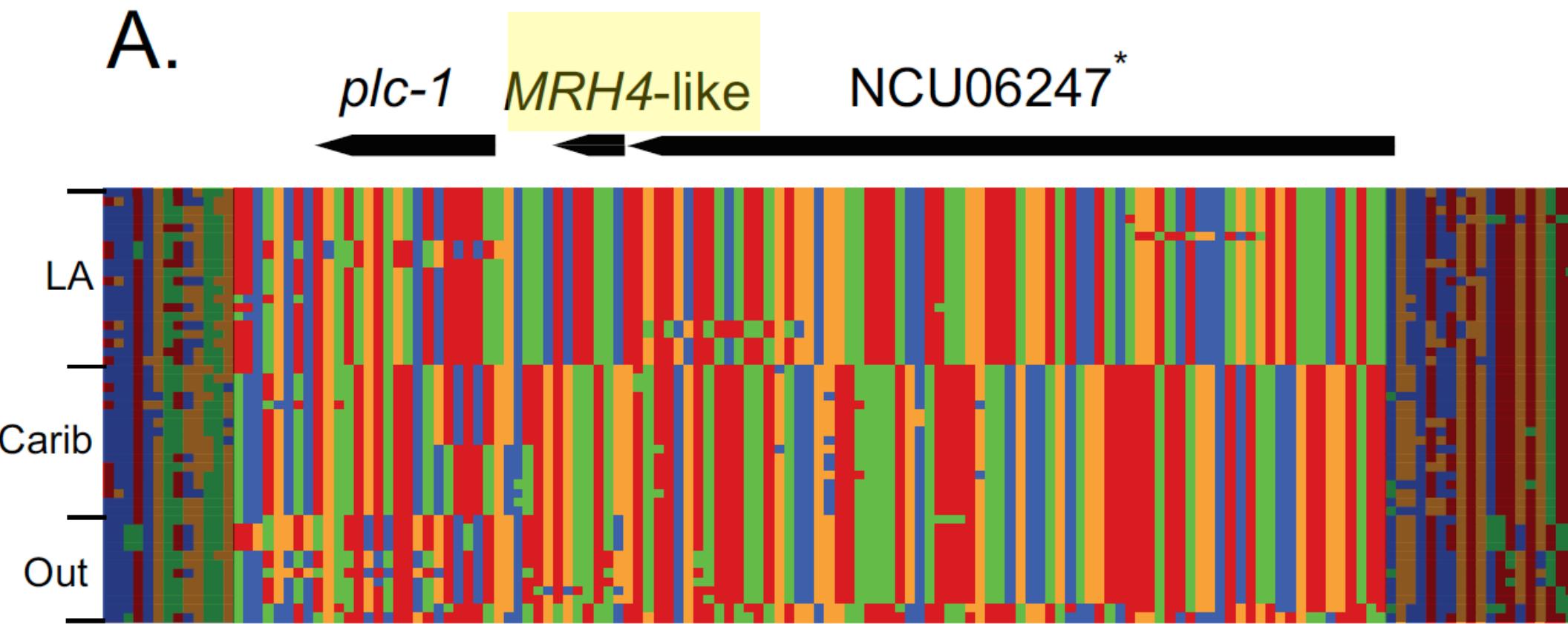


# Chromosome 3 Speciation Island

A.



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## MRH4-like

JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, Mar. 1999,

### A Cold Shock-Induced Cyanobacterial RNA Helicase

DANUTA CHAMOT, WENDY C. MAGEE,<sup>†</sup> ESTHER YU,  
AND GEORGE W. OWTTRIM\*

JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, Jan. 2006,

### Cold-Induced Putative DEAD Box RNA Helicases CshA and CshB Are Essential for Cold Adaptation and Interact with Cold Shock Protein B in *Bacillus subtilis*

Karen Hunger,<sup>1†</sup> Carsten L. Beckering,<sup>1†</sup> Frank Wiegeshoff,<sup>1</sup> Peter L. Graumann,<sup>2</sup>  
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### Property of cold inducible DEAD-box RNA helicase in hyperthermophilic archaea

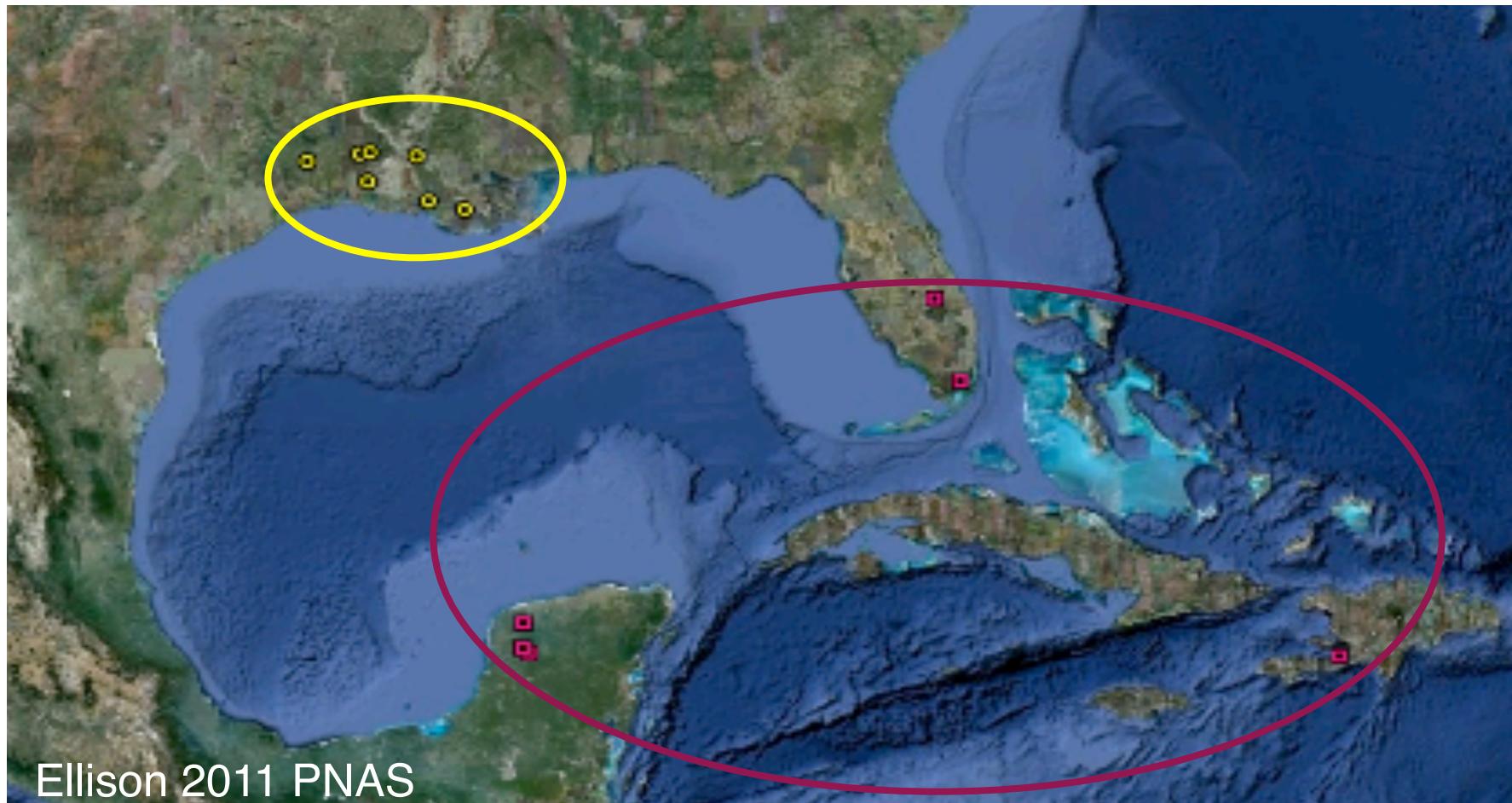
Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications 389 (2009) 622–627

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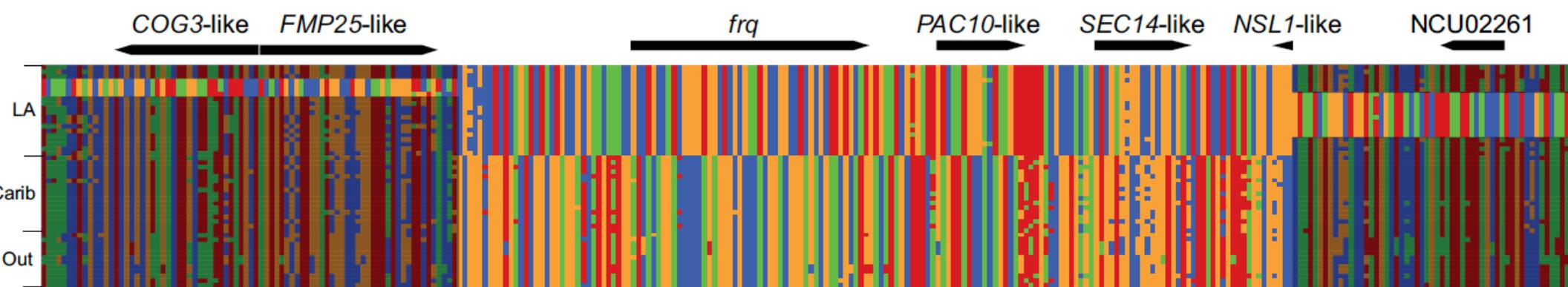
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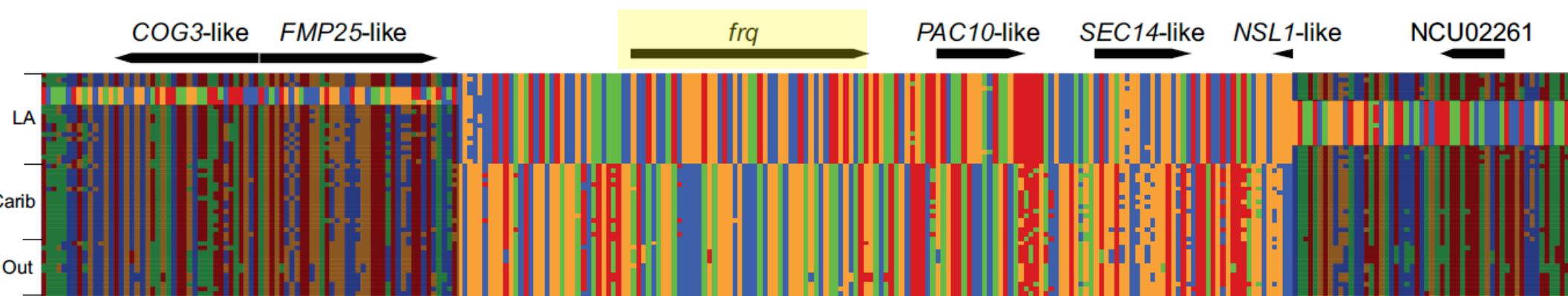
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## RESEARCH ARTICLE

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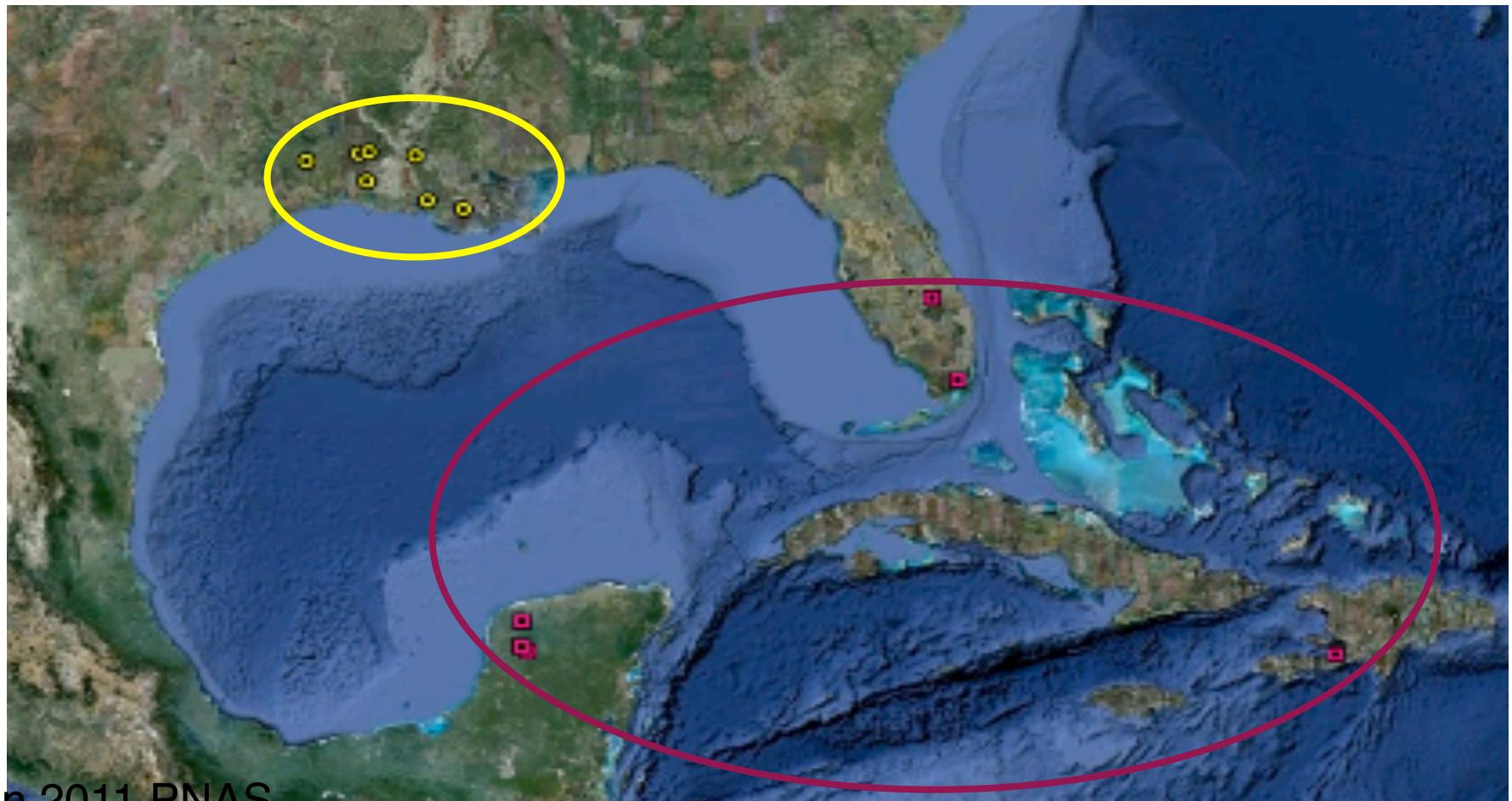
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SCIENCE • VOL. 263 • 18 MARCH 1994

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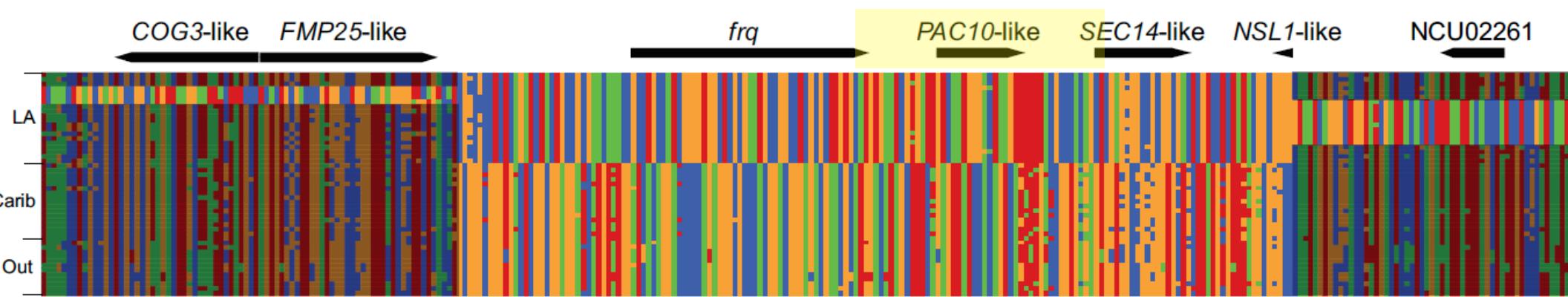
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Works with chaperones to fold cytoskeleton proteins

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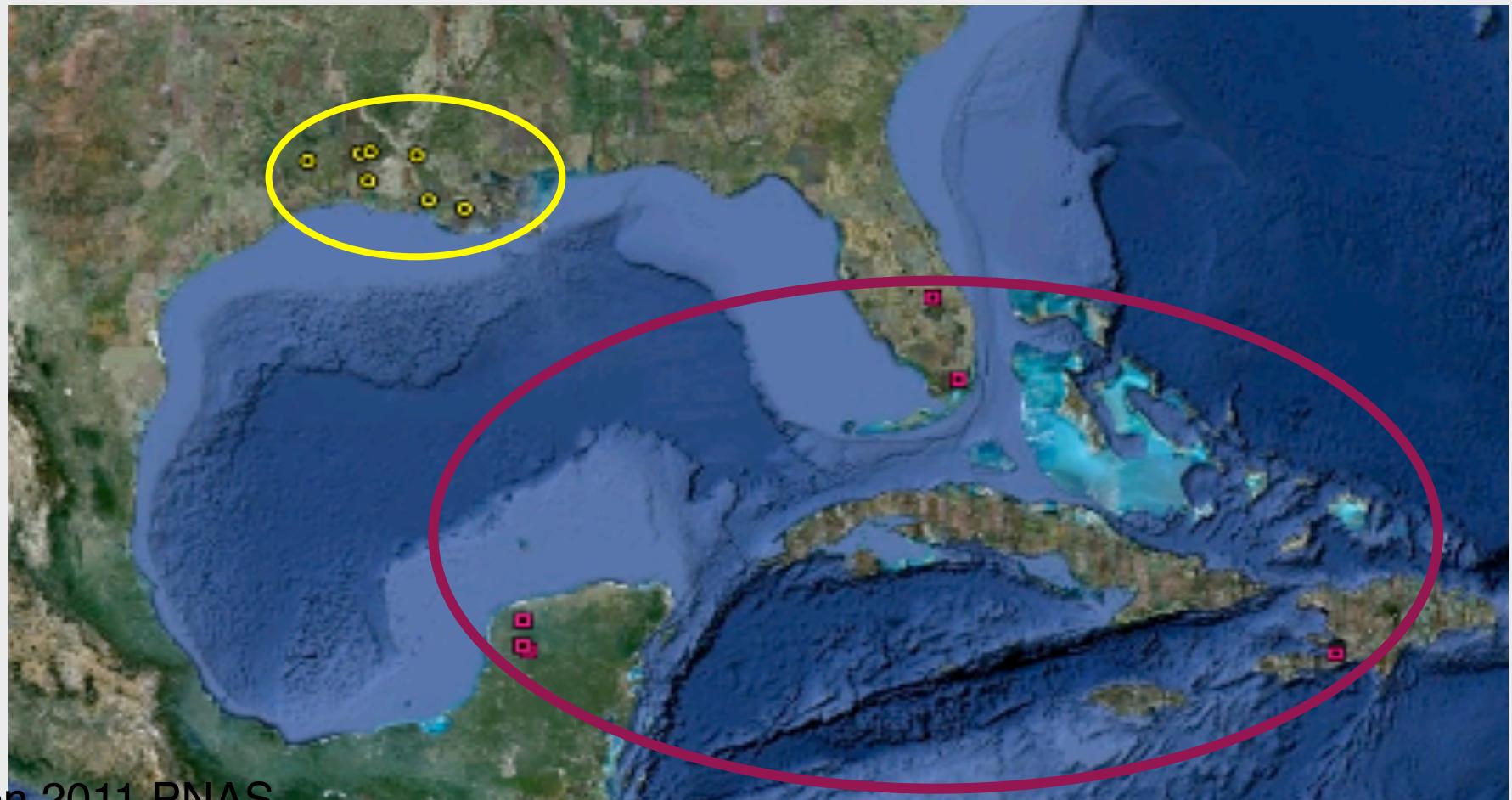
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# Louisiana v. Caribbean

Temperature: 9°C difference in lowest annual temp - 5°C v. 14°C

Latitude: 2.4° - 10.6° difference in latitude

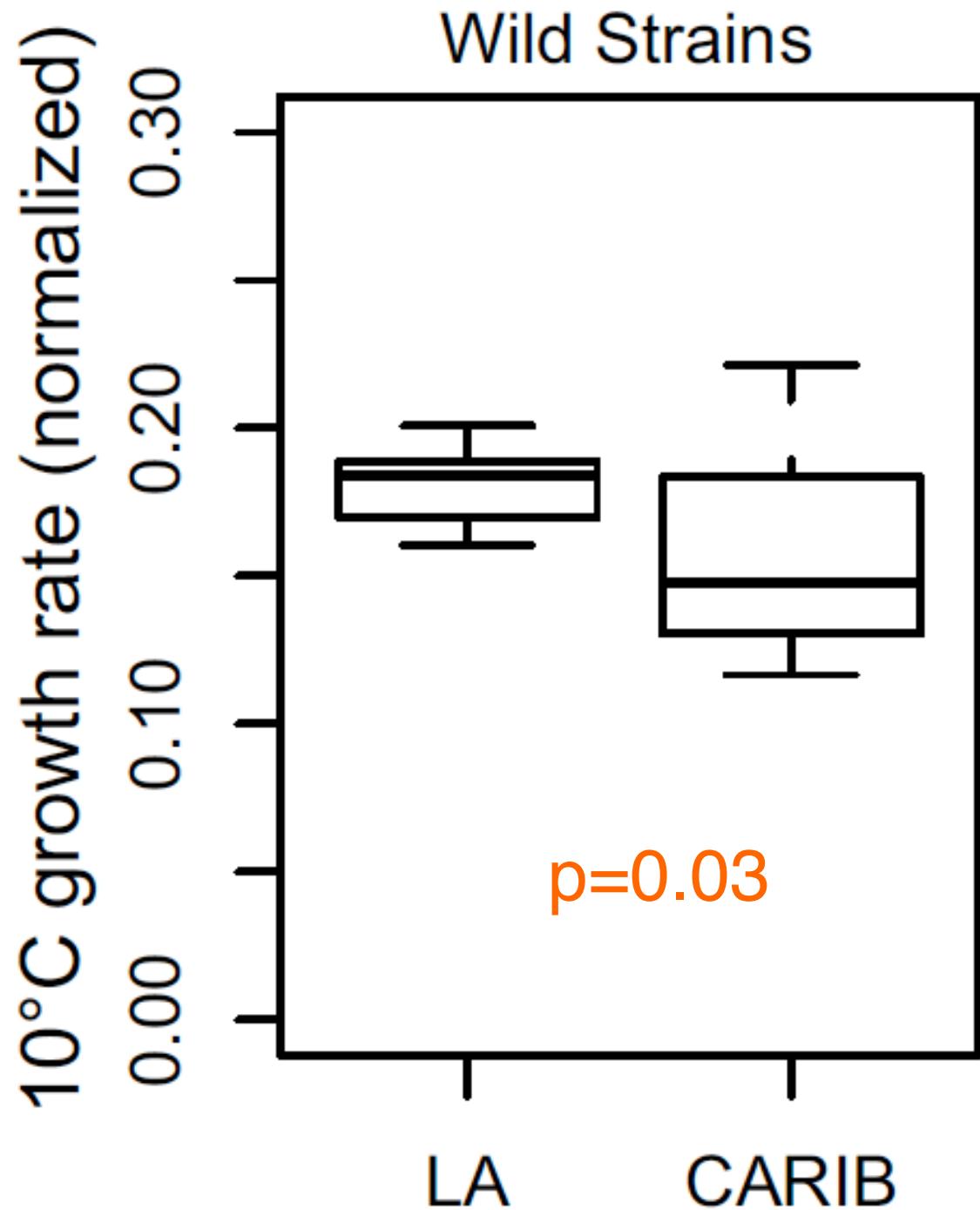


Growth at 10°C

Growth at 25°C

*N. crassa*  
wild strains

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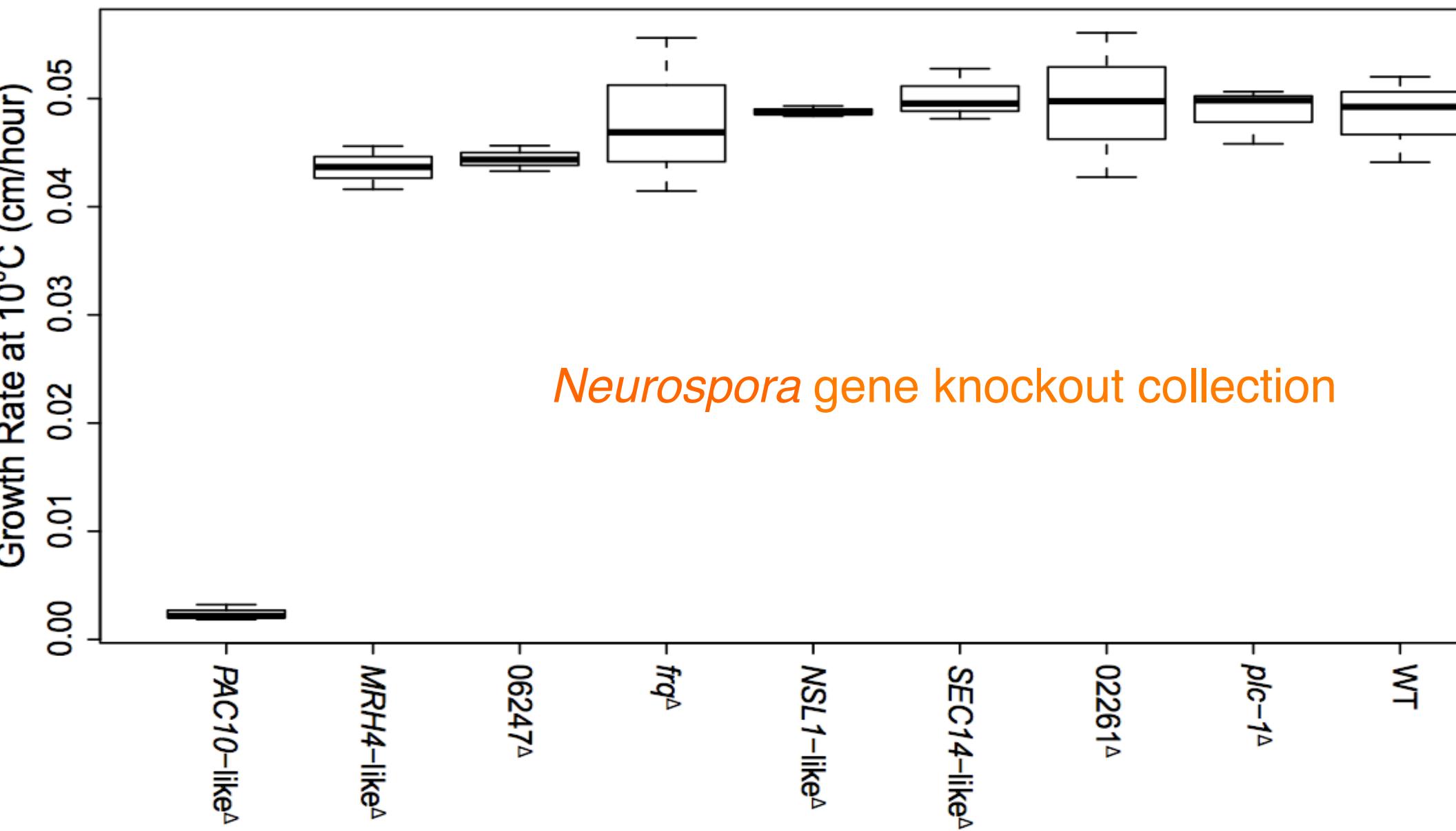
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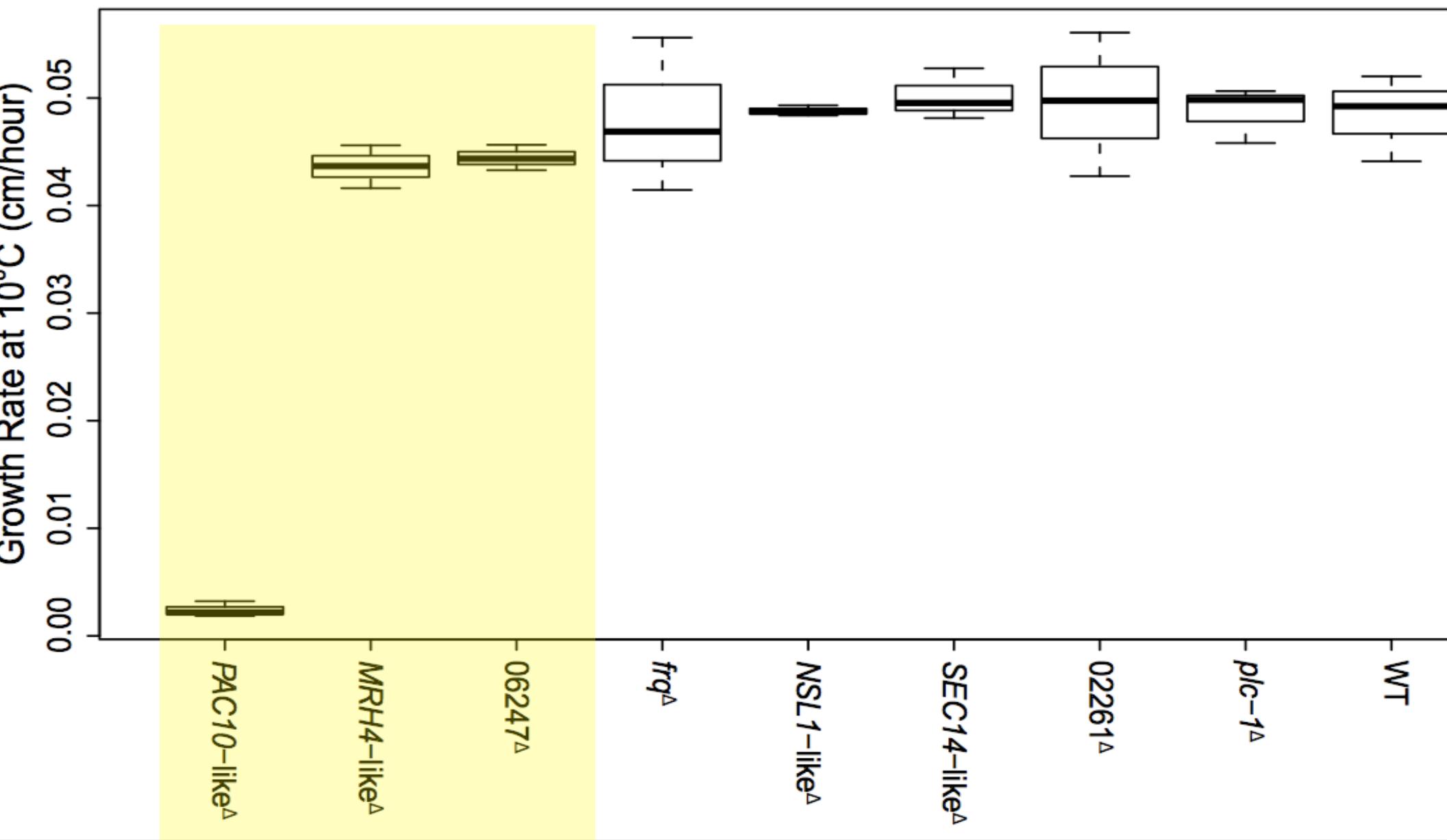
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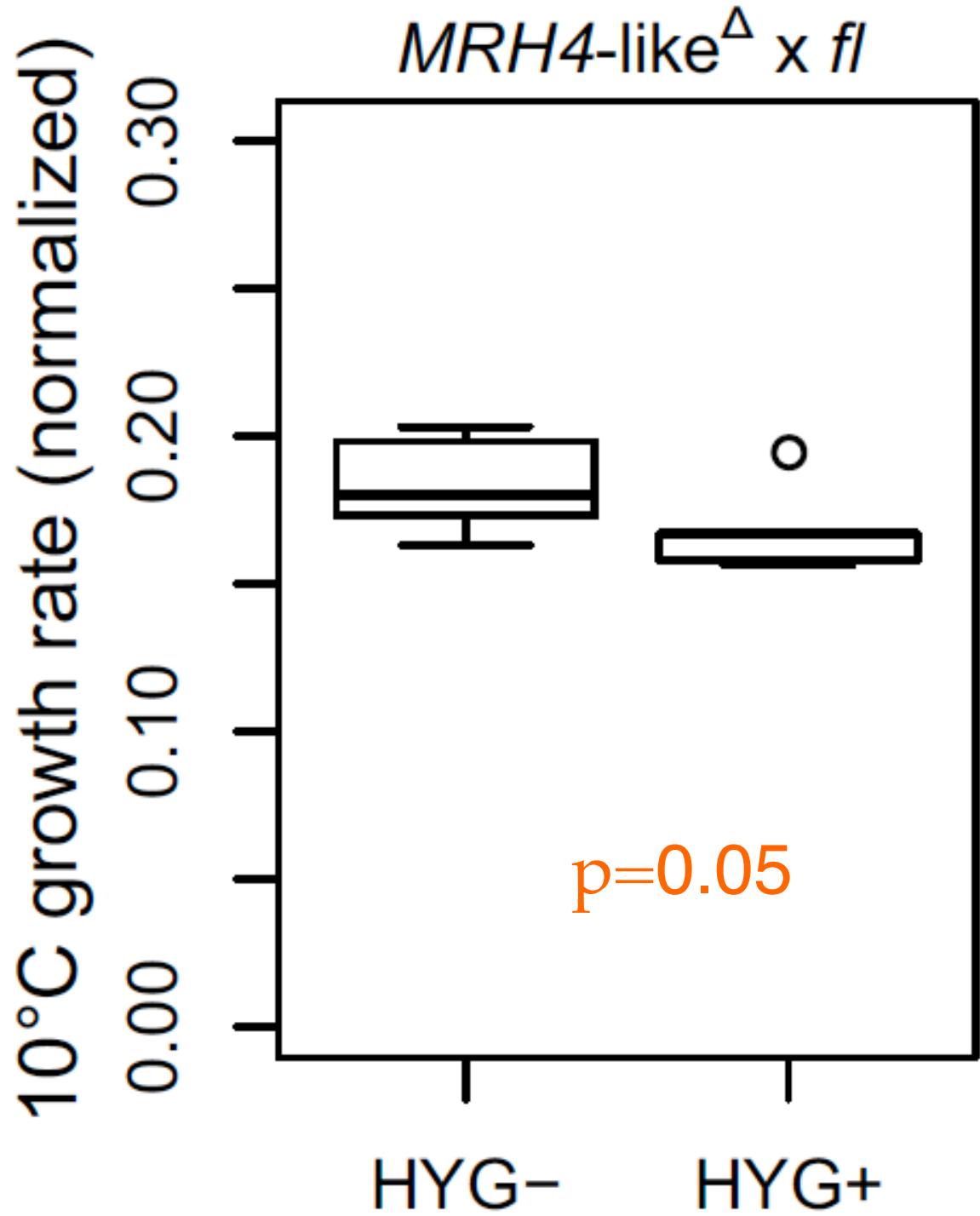


## RNA helicase

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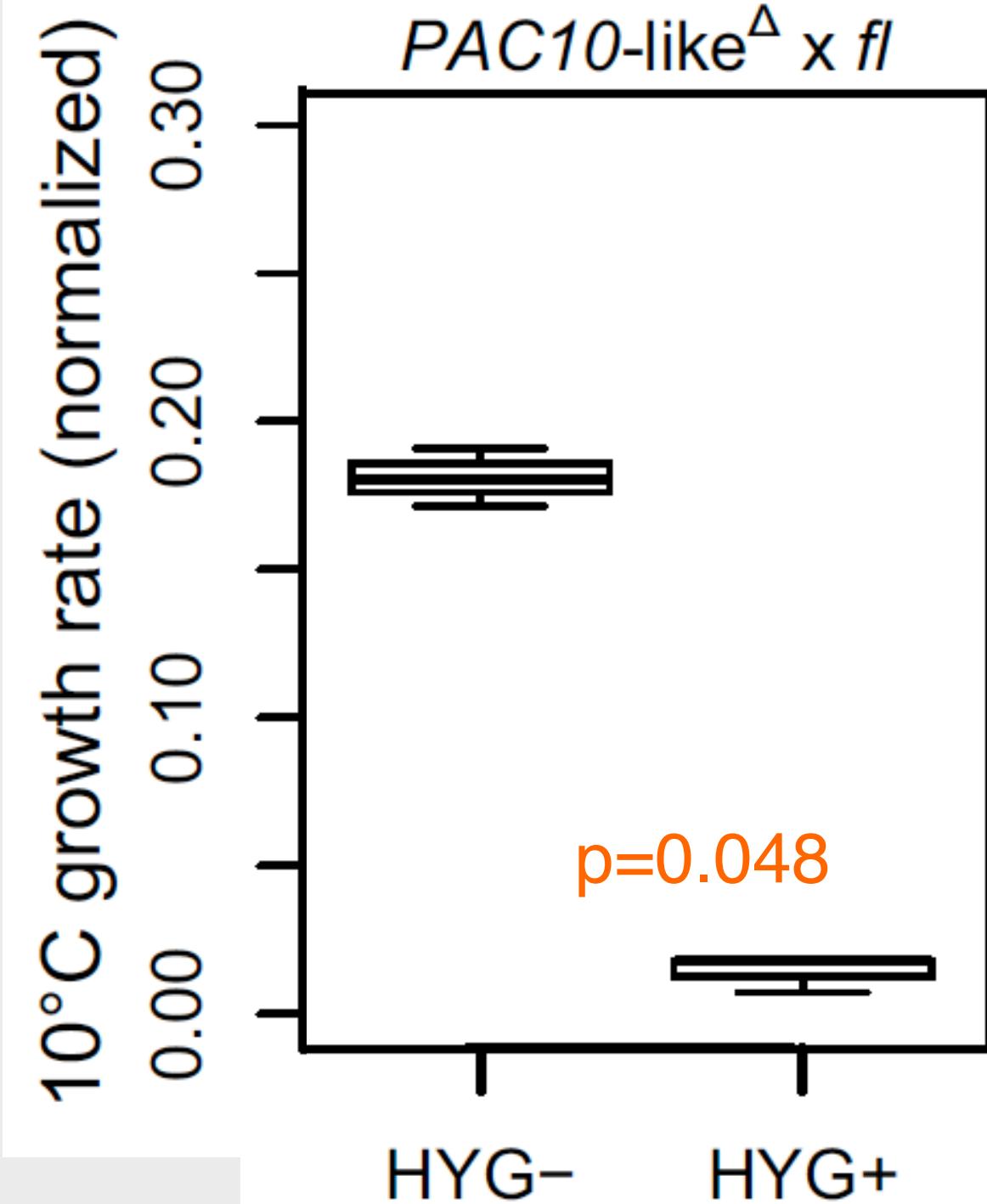
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Pre foldin





What environmental  
factor?

What Phenotype?  
Which genes?

Genes:  
Cold Shock RNA helicase.  
Prefoldin chaperone.  
Circadian Clock Oscillator.

Environmental factors:  
Minimum temperature.  
Day length.

Growth as the phenotype



Genes:  
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Circadian clock regulator.

# Reverse Ecology

Day length.

Growth as the phenotype



# Medicine – Fungi That Cause Systemic Disease

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*Coccidioides immitis*

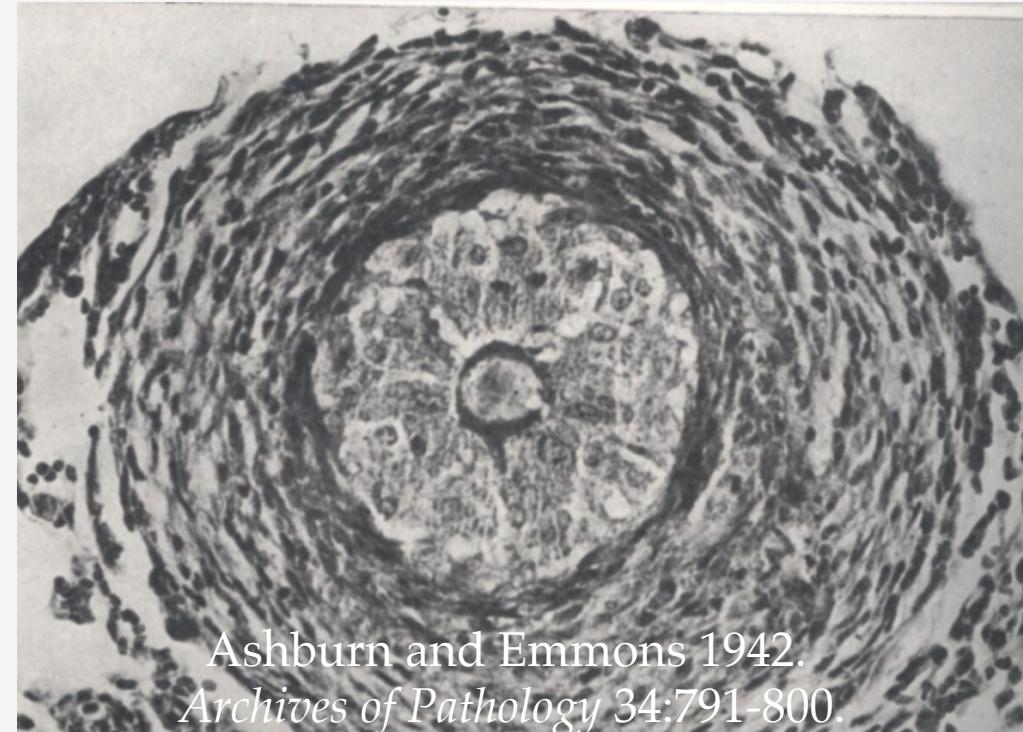
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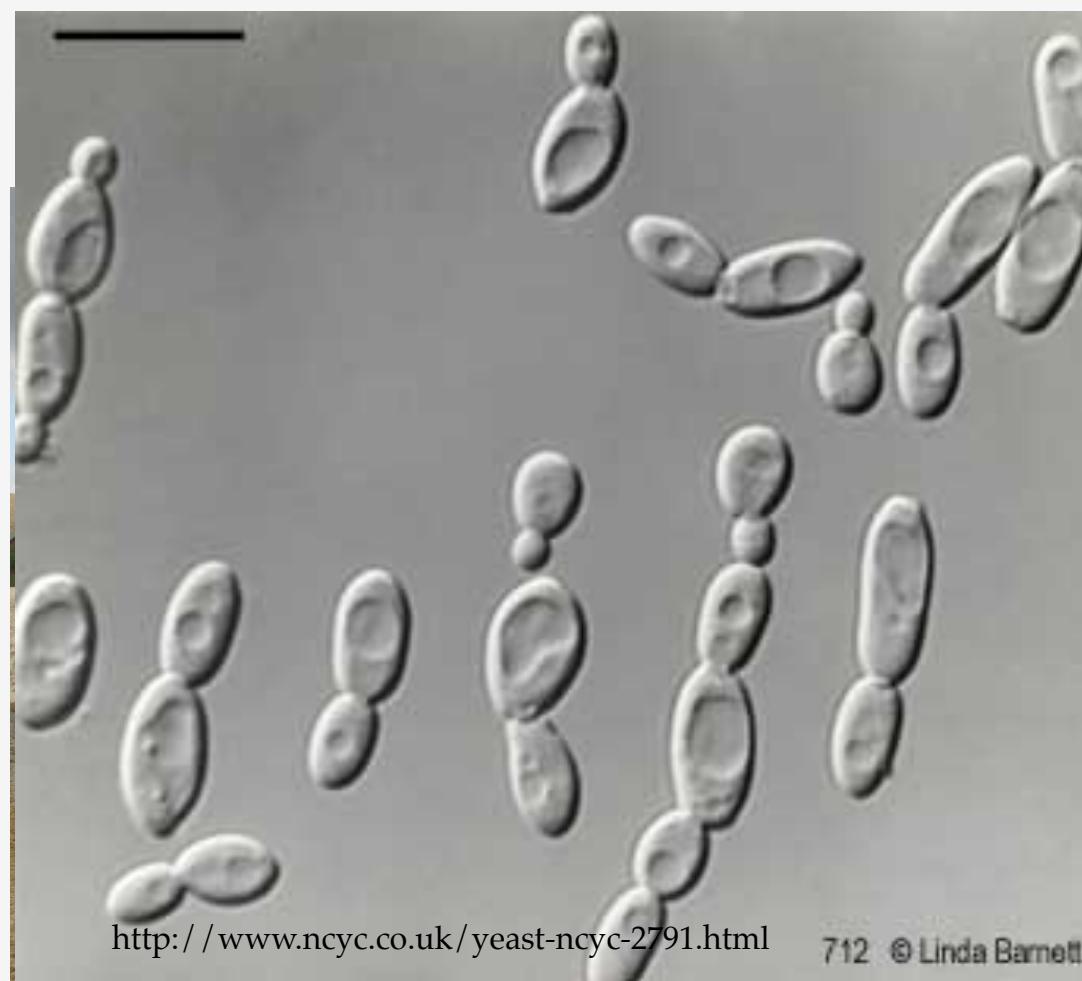


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*What are Fungi?*

*Where are Fungi in the Tree  
of Life?*

*Adaptation.*

# Great recent talk on human genomic medicine

<http://pmb.berkeley.edu/regentslecture>

## Genomic Medicine Challenge: Translating Basic Research

*Watch the Video of Regents' Lecture by Thomas White, Biotech Pioneer*

[Video of 1/24 Lecture by Thomas White](#)

On Thursday, Jan. 24 Thomas J. White gave a fascinating lecture to a packed crowd in Stanley Hall on the UC Berkeley campus.

The lecture was part of the prestigious Regents' Lecture series presented by the University, and features scholars whose careers in arts, letters, science or business have been at least in part outside academia, and has been an annual feature of Berkeley campus life for over 50 years.

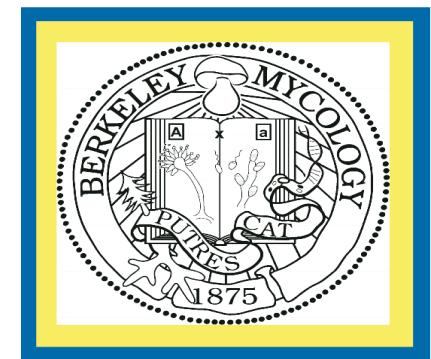


Dr. White discussed genomic medicine and its practical applications in terms of economics, laws and politics, as well as science. Dr. White has more than 30 years of experience in medical biotechnology, evenly divided among three Bay Area firms:

- Chris Ellison
- Rachel Brem
- Louise Glass
- Charles Hall
- David Kowbel
- Juliet Welch
- David Jacobson



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# Questions?

