

Signaling crosstalk

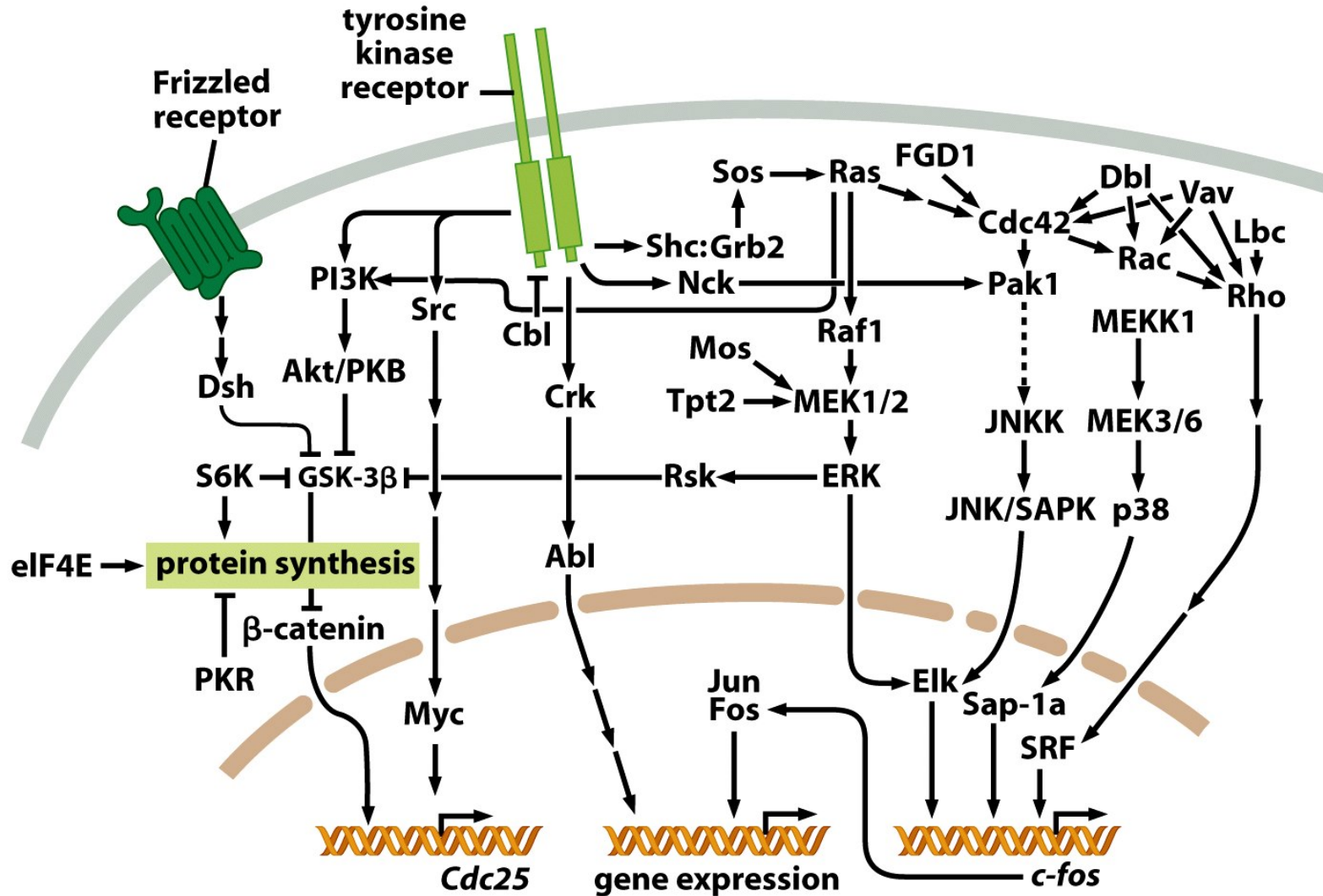
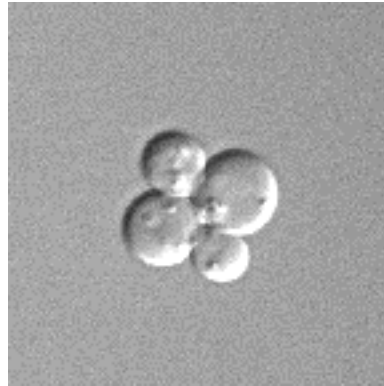
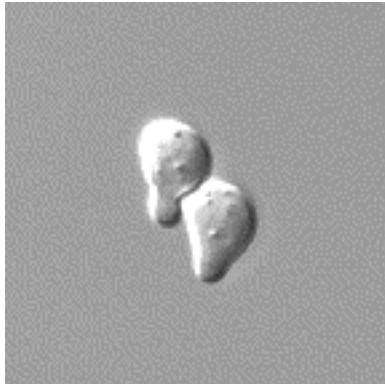
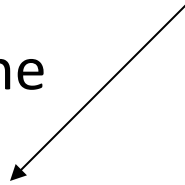


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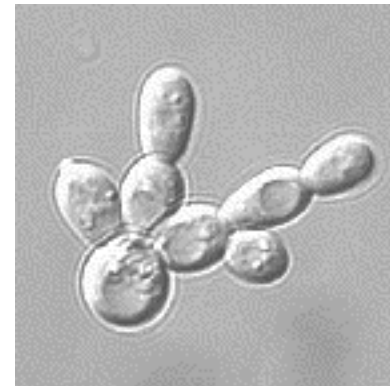
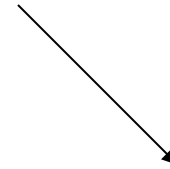
Yeast Morphogenetic Transitions



mating
pheromone



nutrient
limitation



MAP Kinase Cascade

MAP kinase kinase kinase (eg Ste11)

Phosphorylates and thereby activates



MAP kinase kinase (eg Ste7)

Phosphorylates and thereby activates



MAP kinase (eg Fus3)



Which then phosphorylates and regulates downstream targets
(eg transcription factors and Cdk regulators)
that together achieve the appropriate outcome

The pheromone response pathway

pheromone



Ste2/3 + G α β γ

Receptors and G-protein

Ste20

Ste11/ Ste50

MAP kinase cascade

Ste7/ Ste5

Fus3

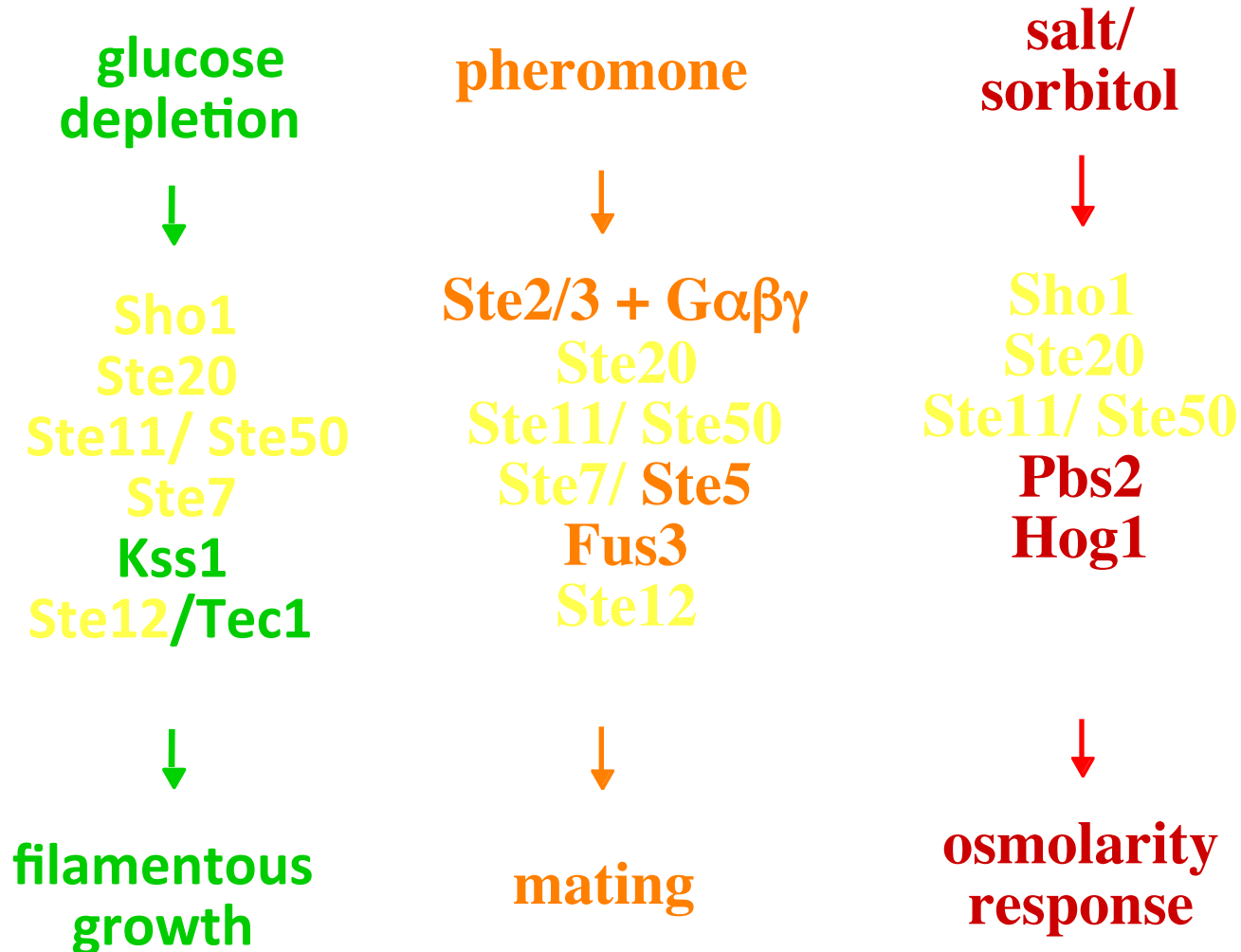
Transcription factor

Ste12

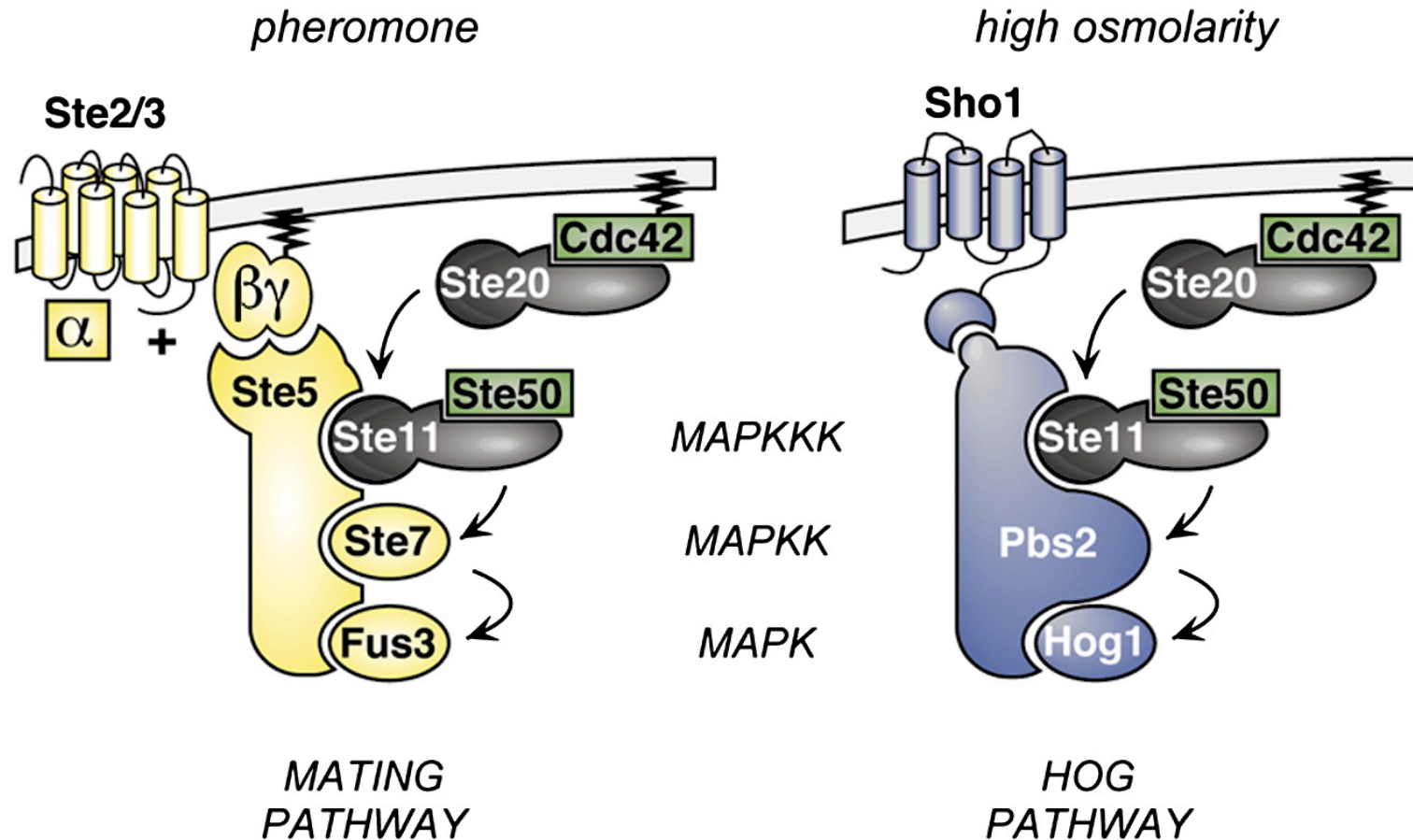


mating

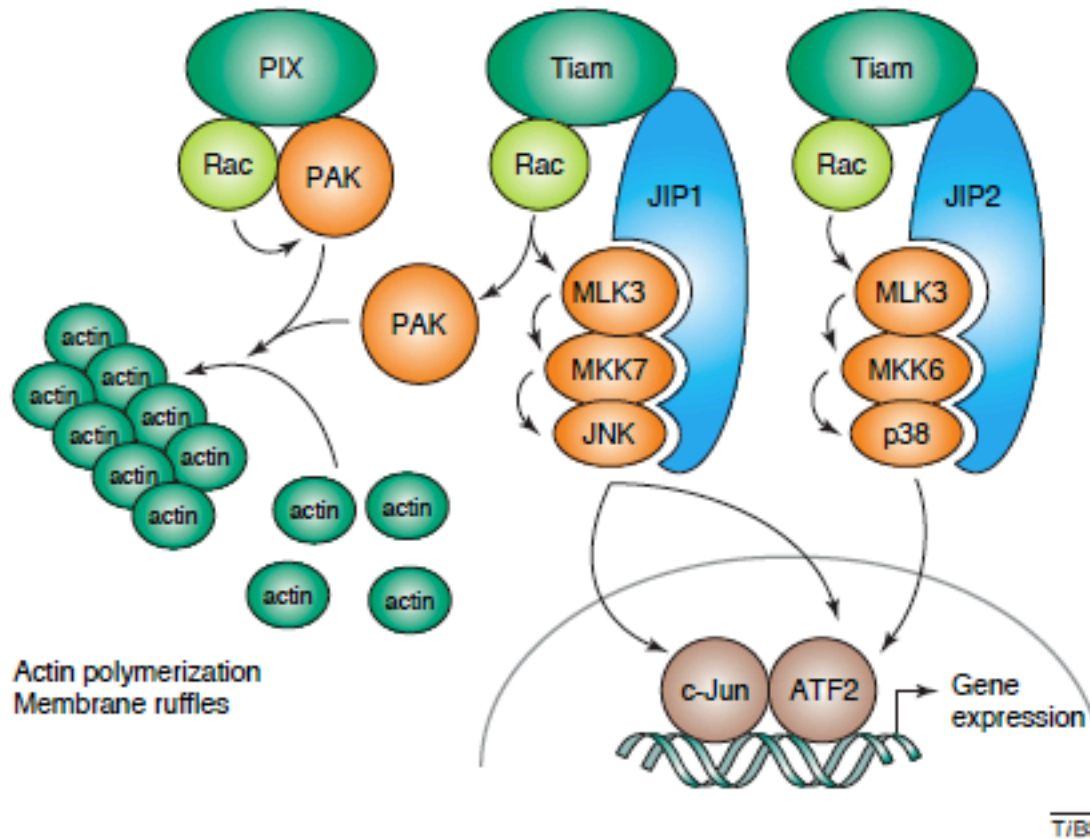
Signaling pathways share components



Scaffold proteins may help solve some of the specificity problem



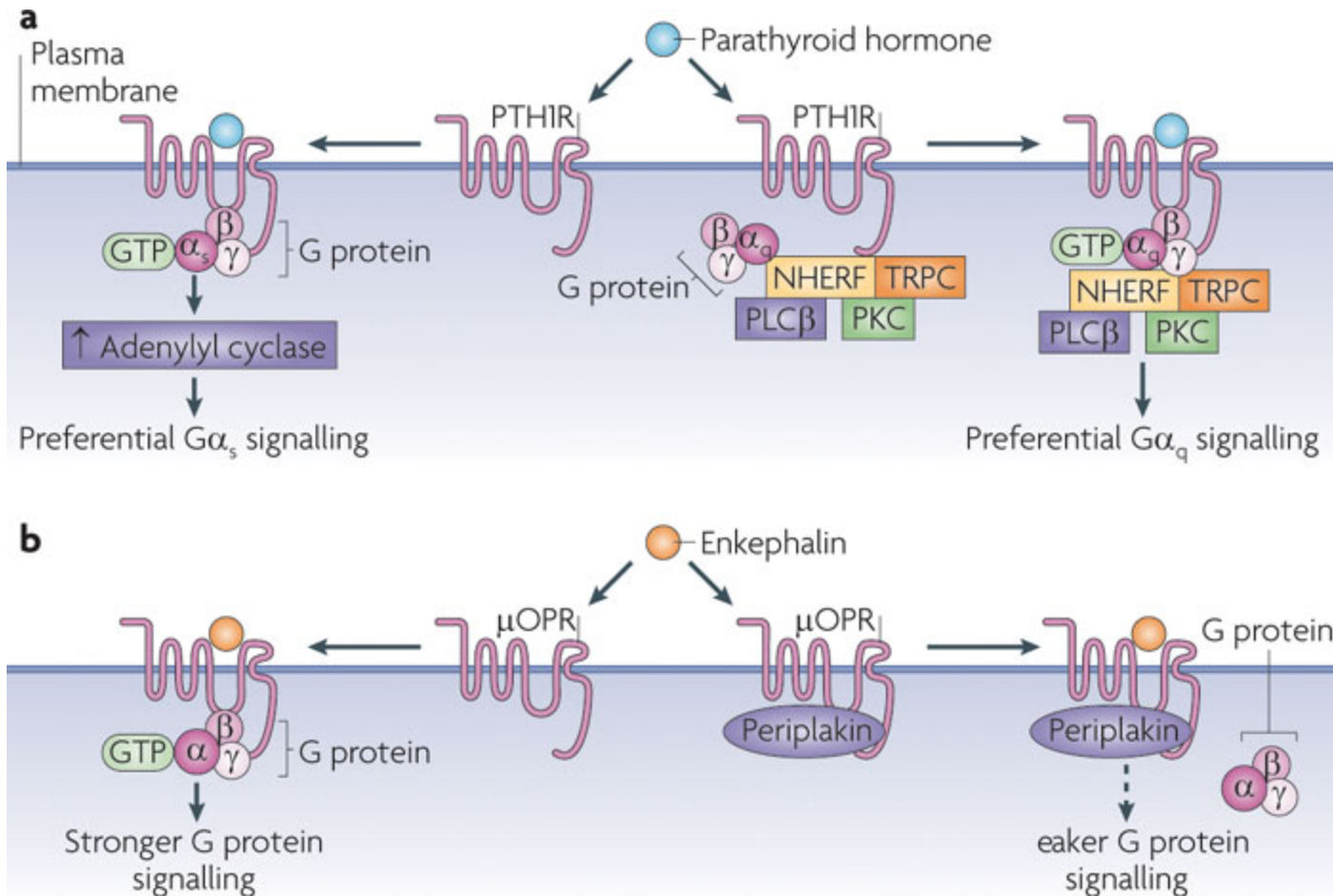
Scaffolds also exist in mammalian cells



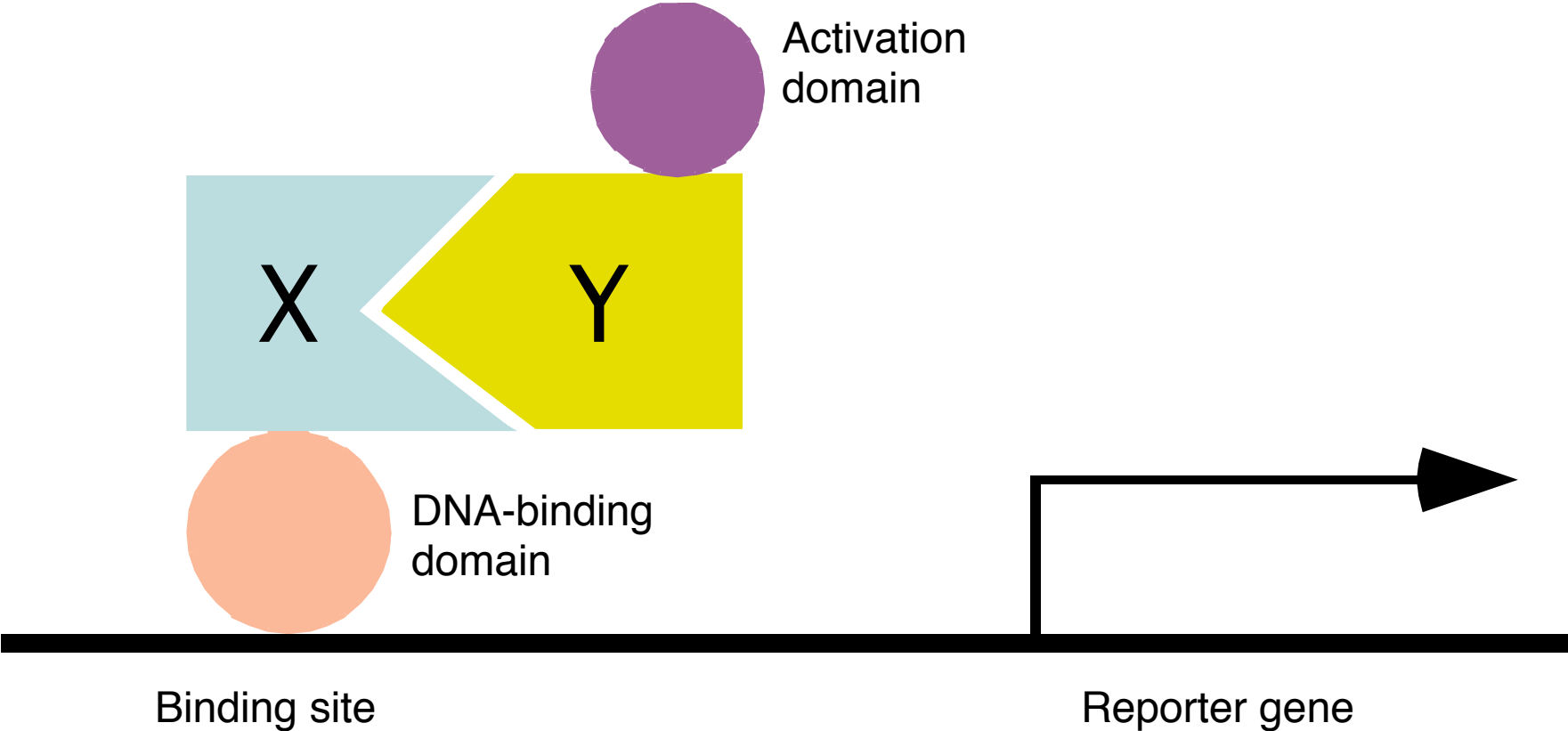
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Figure 1. Scaffold proteins govern the selection of signal output upon Rac activation. PIX, a Rac-GEF, forms a molecular complex with the serine/threonine protein kinase Pak1. This facilitates the stimulation of Pak1 upon Rac activation, thereby, promoting the polymerization of actin, which results in rapid changes in the actin-based cytoskeleton and the formation of membrane ruffles known as lamellipodia. Two other guanine-nucleotide exchange factors for Rac (RacGEFs), Tiam1 and Ras-GRF1 (not shown), bind to the scaffold proteins JIP2 and JIP1, leading to the preferential activation of p38 and probably JNK by Rac, respectively, and the consequent phosphorylation of nuclear transcription factors that regulate gene expression. Arrows represent activation events either by direct binding or by phosphorylation as in the case of the kinases (orange) and transcription factors (brown).

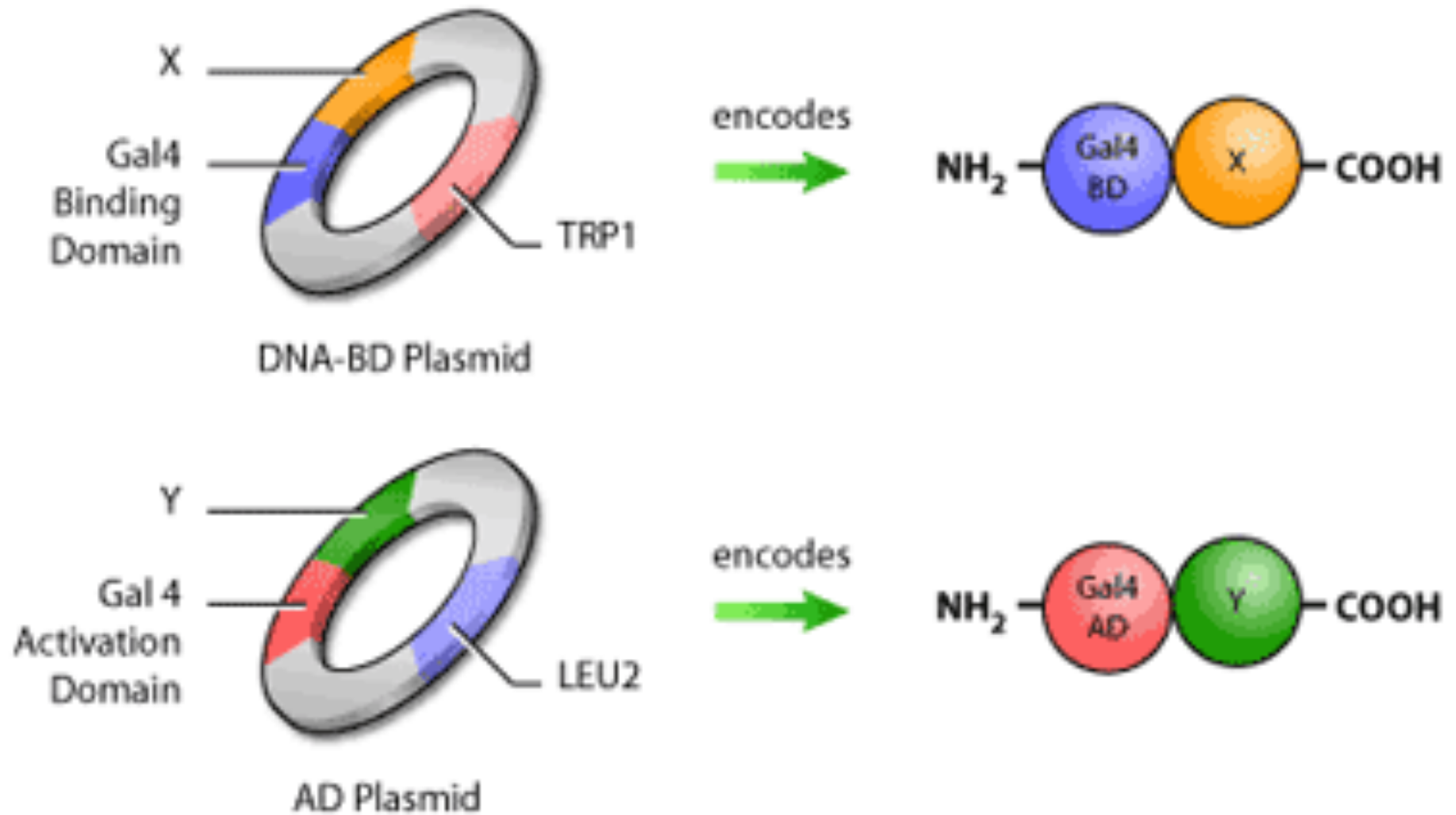
Another example of scaffolds and specificity



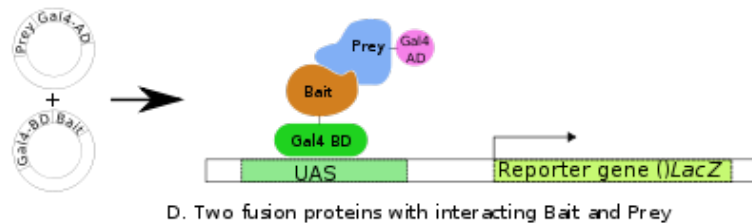
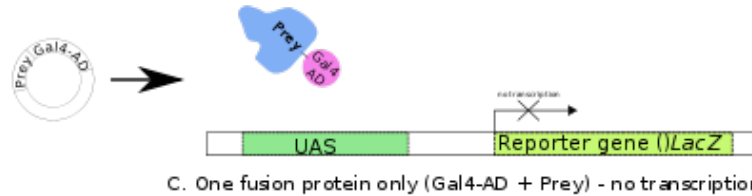
Two-Hybrid System to Detect Protein Interactions



Plasmids for expression of 2-hybrid constructs



Another depiction of a 2-hybrid experiment









Ste5 interacts with each member of the MAP Kinase cascade

Table 1. β -galactosidase Activity Induced by Interactions between Ste5, Ste20, Ste11, Ste7, Fus3, and Kss1 in a Two-Hybrid System in Ste⁺ and Ste⁻ Strains.

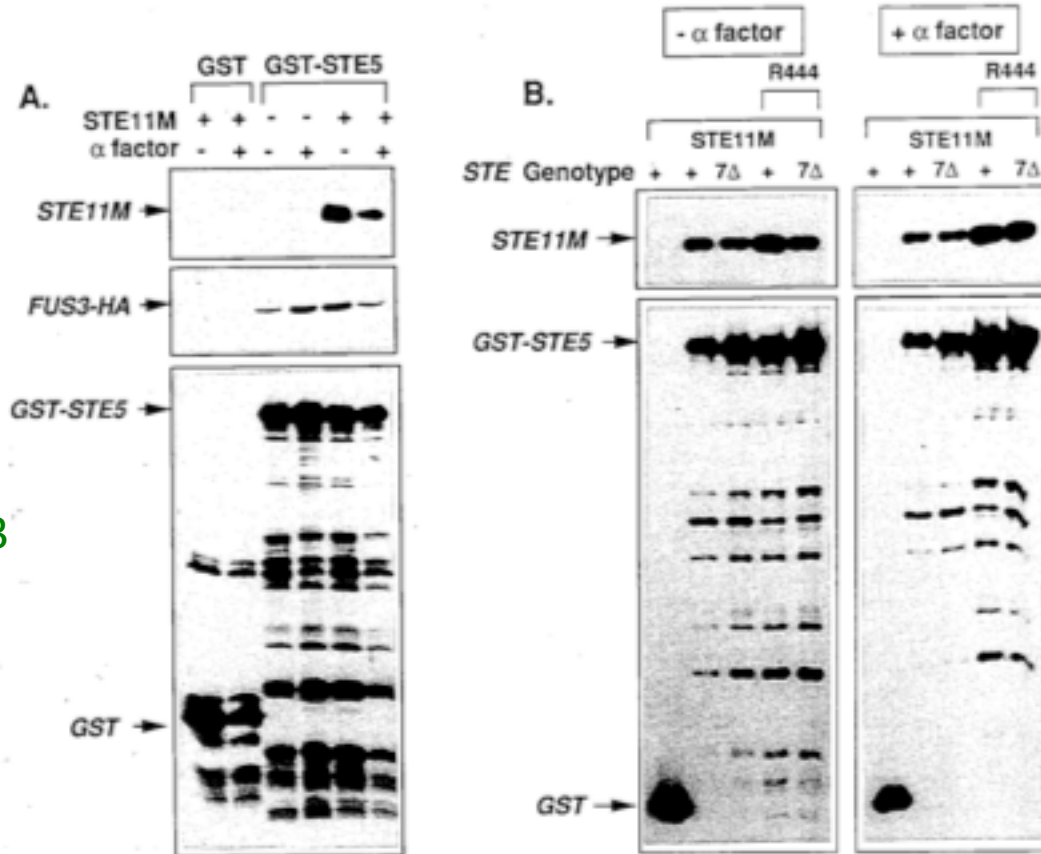
Strain ^a	LexA Fusion ^b	Units β -galactosidase Activity ^c B42 Fusion ^b						
		B42	Ste5	Ste11	Ste7	Fus3	Kss1	
I STE5	Ste20	9	33	61	15	20	19	
	Ste11	6	5262	103	9	29	2688	
	Ste7	20	10699	26	59	1612	12796	
	Fus3	43	677	1379	891	61	86	
	Kss1	34	1931	2147	2750	110		
	Ste11N	5	681					
	Ste11C	5	4					
	Ste7N	8	6					
	Ste7C	18	2616					
II ste5 Δ	Bicoid	10	14	14	16	18	20	
	Ste11		4840	99	33	60	3266	
	Ste7		4714	45	48	4270	31100	
	Fus3		751	593	1675	53		
	Kss1		688	2250	2907			
	III fus3 Δ	Ste11		17250				
		Ste7		7840				
		Fus3		3200	2000	3750		
		Bicoid		41				
fus3 Δ ste20 Δ		Ste11		18050				
	Ste7		7400					
	Fus3		5450	4650	4700			
	Bicoid		25					
fus3 Δ ste11 Δ	Ste11		10620					
	Ste7		13260					
	Fus3		3700	1800	4250			
	Bicoid		66					
fus3 Δ ste7 Δ	Ste11		11900					
	Ste7		1401					
	Fus3		1138	737	1800			
	Bicoid		40					

2-Hybrid tests localize interaction sites on Ste5

Ste11, Ste7, Fus3, and Kss1 interact with different portions of Ste5

B42 fusion	LexA fusion			
	Ste11	Ste7	Fus3	Kss1
STE5 (24)  (917)	4840	4717	751	688
STE5Δ1 (24)  (336)	42	24	295	177
STE5Δ2 (24)  (586)	3767	14	338	126
STE5Δ3  (336) (917)	1556	4691	36	41
STE5Δ4  (241) (336)	5	10	262	300
STE5Δ5 (24)  (24) (917) (Δ143-309)	5334	17012	42	

IP experiments reveal that Ste5 interacts with each member of the MAPK cascade



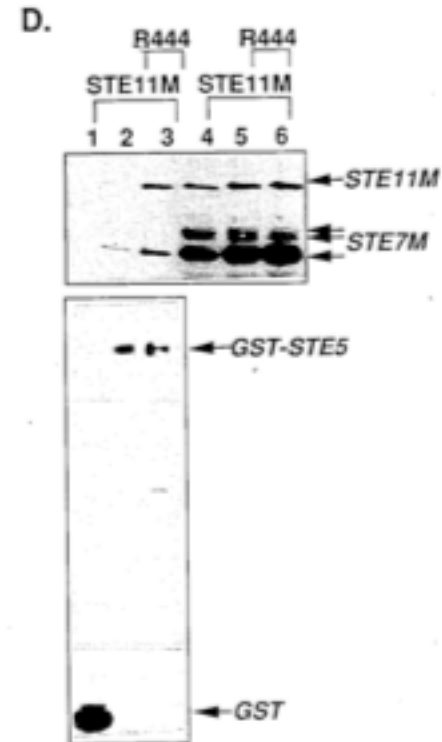
Ste11 and Fus3

Ste5-Ste11 interaction does not require Ste7

IP experiments, continued



Likewise, Ste7 interacts with Ste5



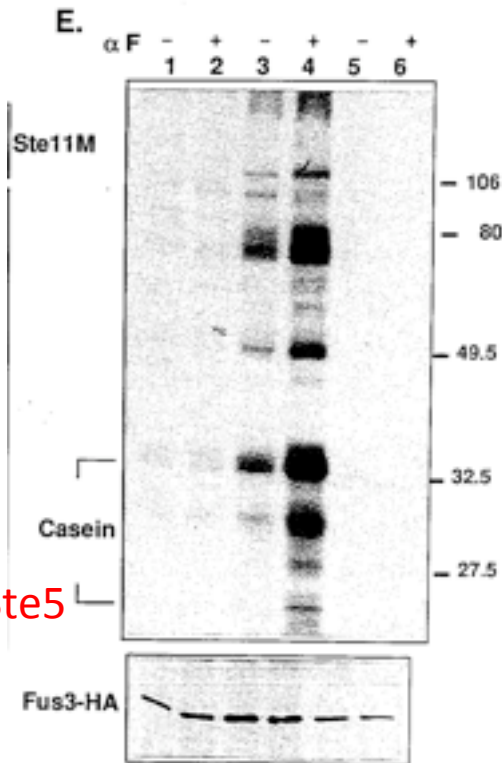
Fus3 is activated by alpha-factor in a Ste5-dependent manner

Fus3 kinase assays

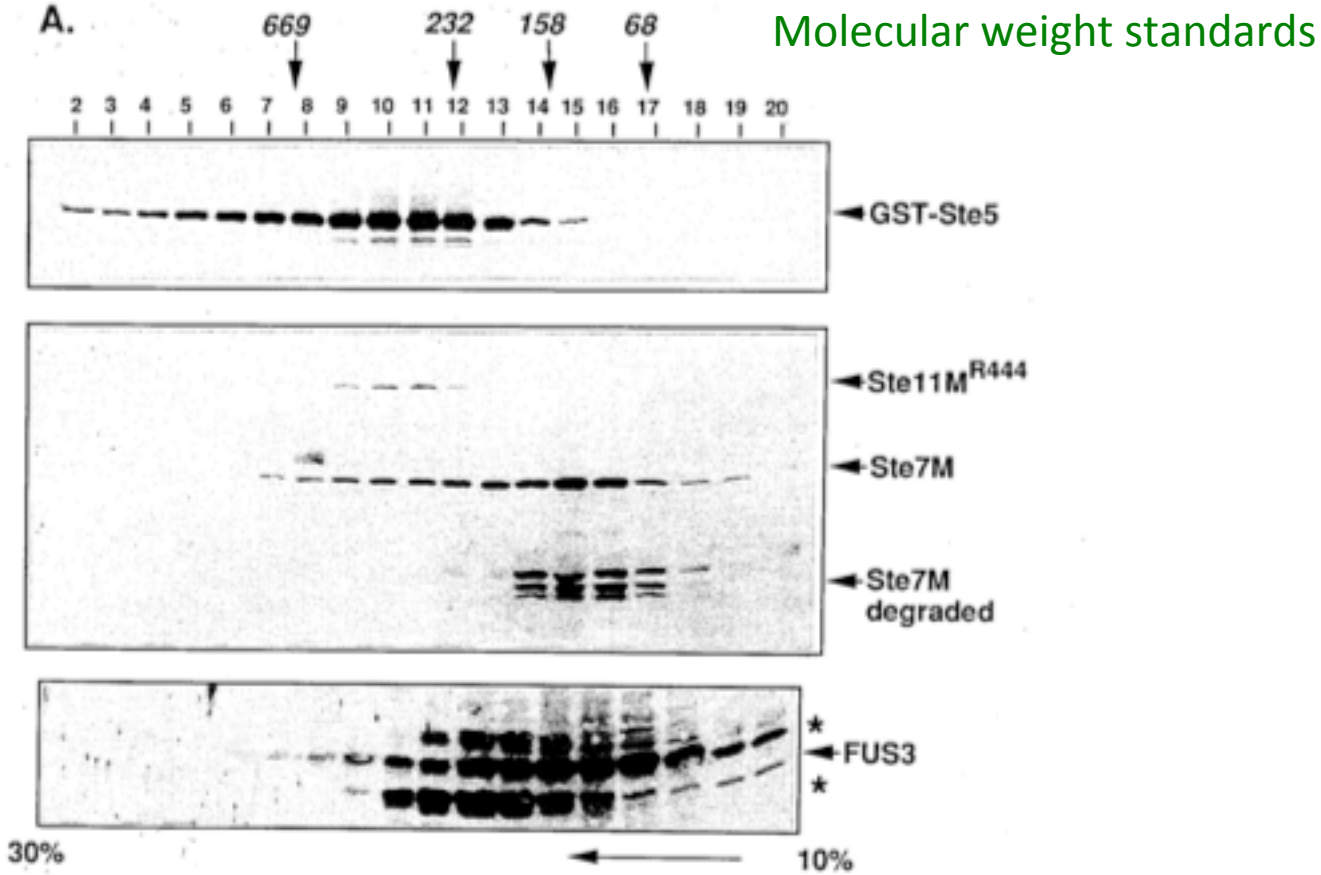
Lanes 1&2: no Ste5

Lanes 3&4: wildtype Ste5

Lanes 5&6: mutant form of Ste5
unable to bind Fus3



Glycerol gradient centrifugation reveals a multi-protein complex



Quantitation of protein levels across gradient

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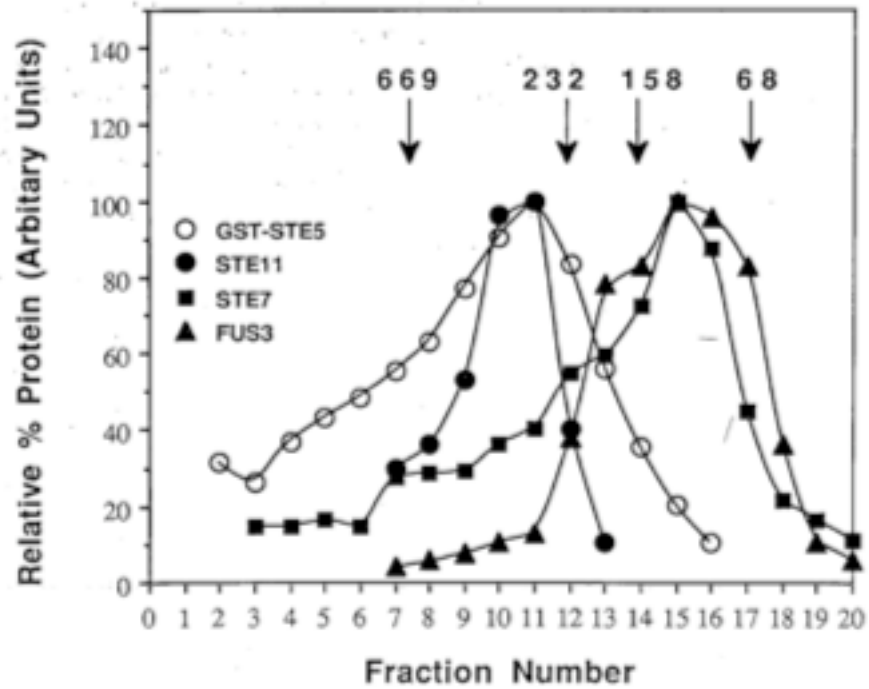
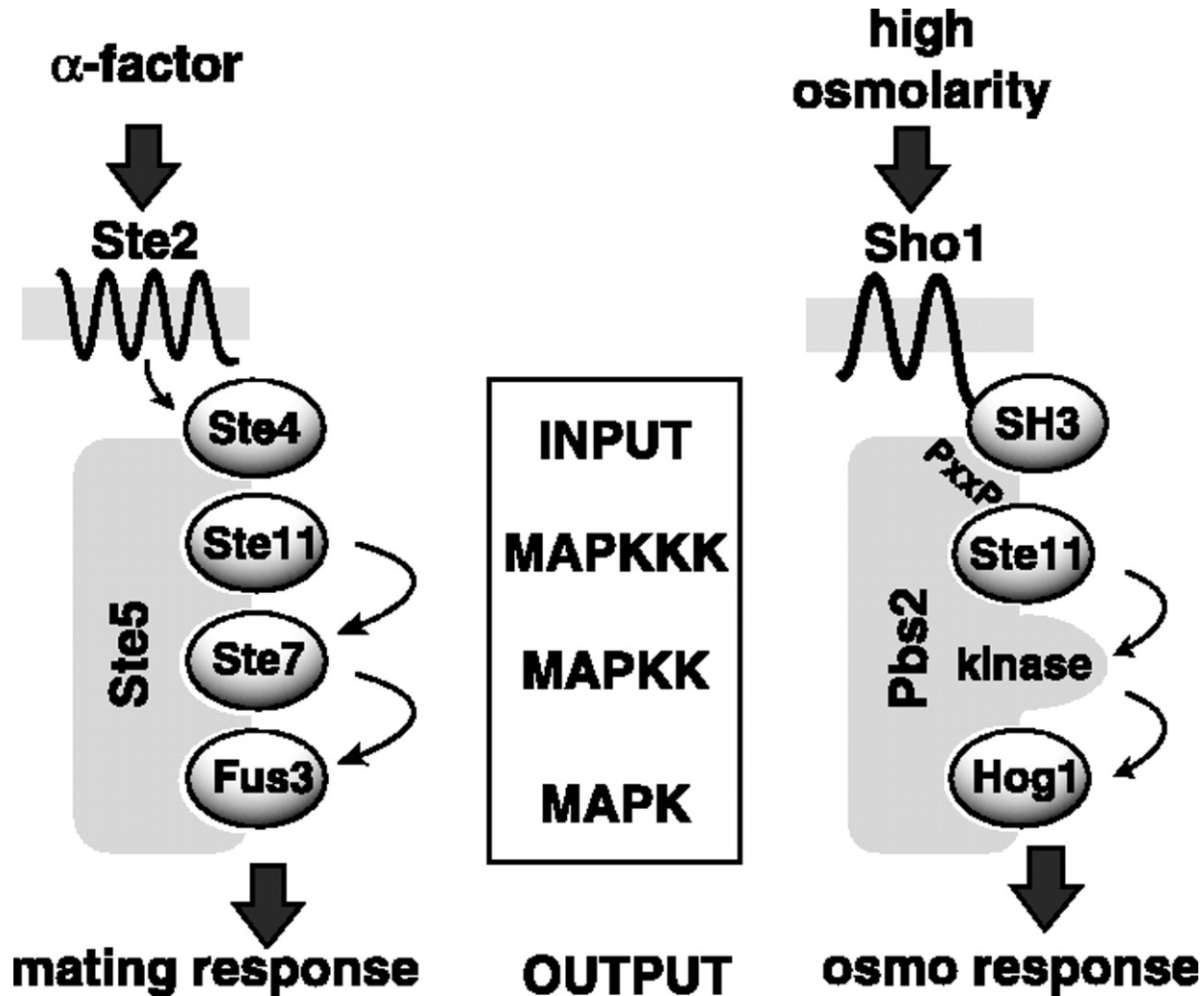
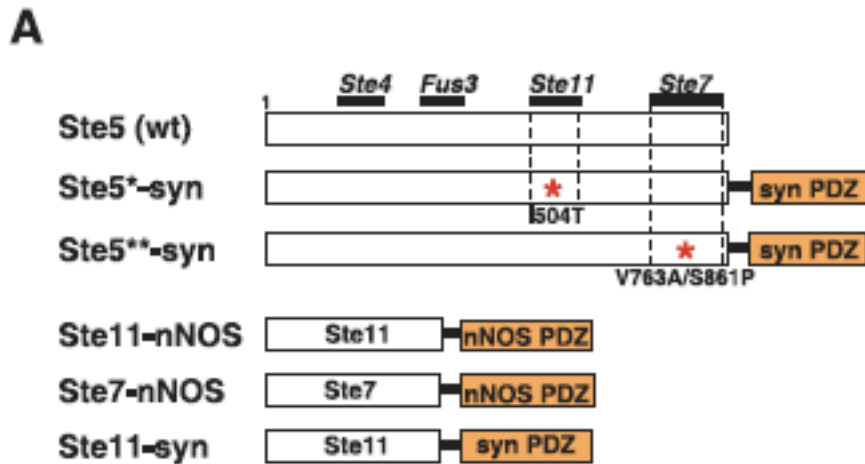


Figure 1 Yeast mating and high-osmolarity MAPK pathways require scaffold proteins Ste5 and Pbs2.



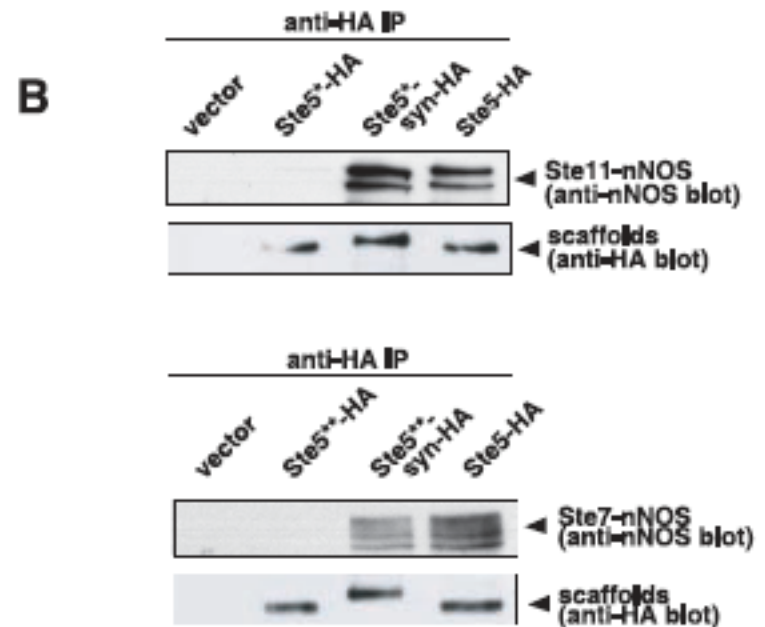
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Engineered protein-protein interactions can substitute for the native Ste5-Ste7 and Ste5-Ste11 interaction



PDZ domains are protein-protein interaction domains

* Indicates mutant binding sites on Ste5



Ste5 is tagged with HA epitope; IP with anti-HA, probe with anti-NOS

Artificial interactions demonstrated by mating test

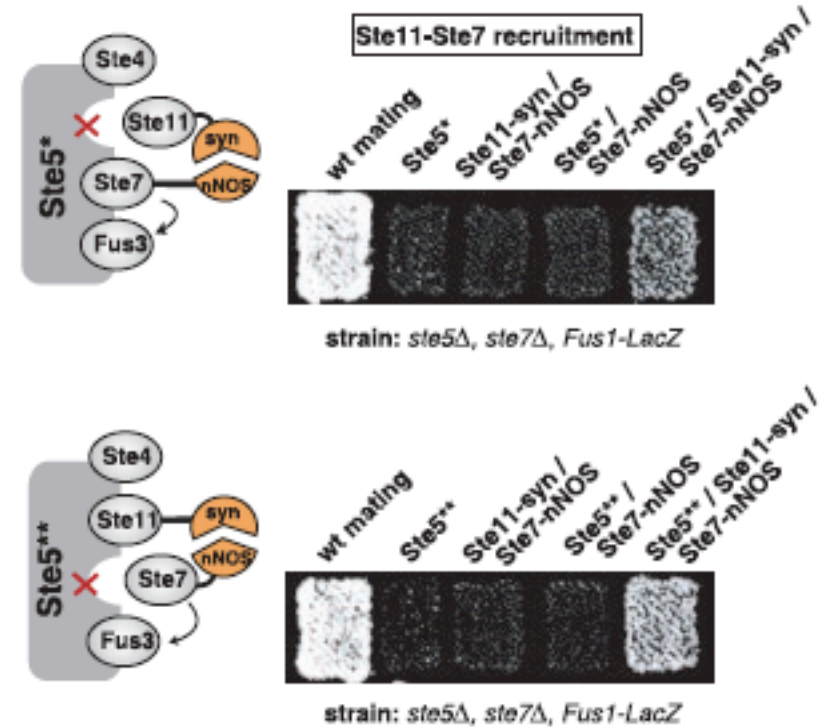
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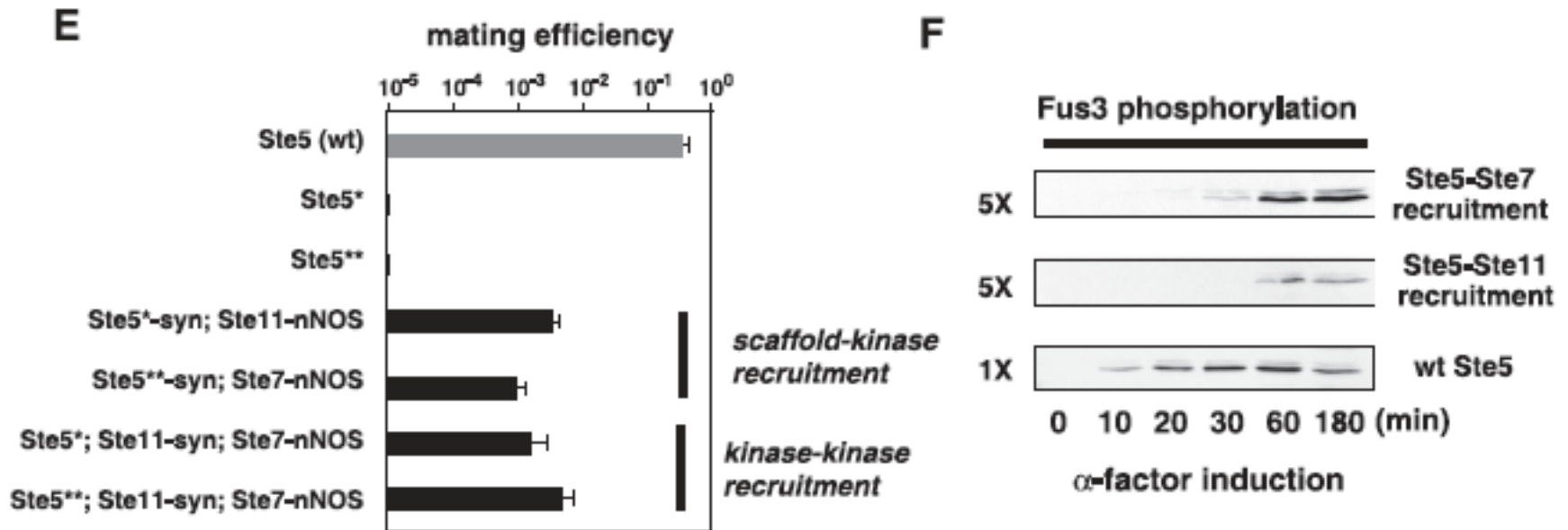
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kinase-kinase recruitment

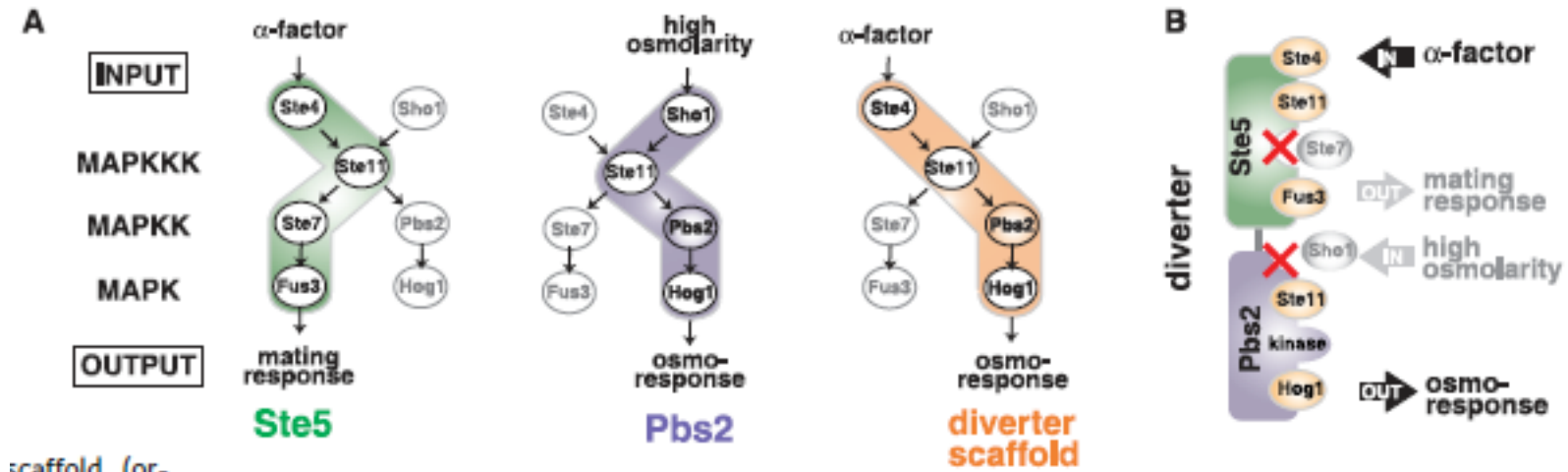


Mating test: strain with Ste5 construct is leu-; test for mating to trp- cells of other mating type. Growth will be observed on minimal medium only if mating has occurred.

... and by quantitative mating tests and phosphorylation of Fus3

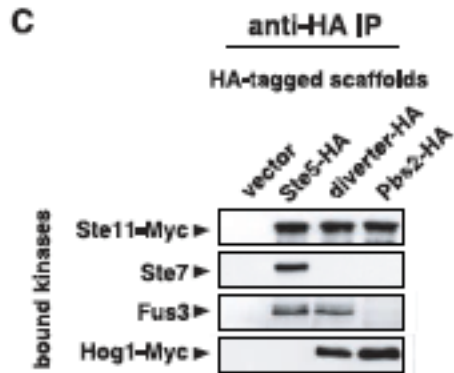


Can one engineer a new scaffold to direct a different output response?

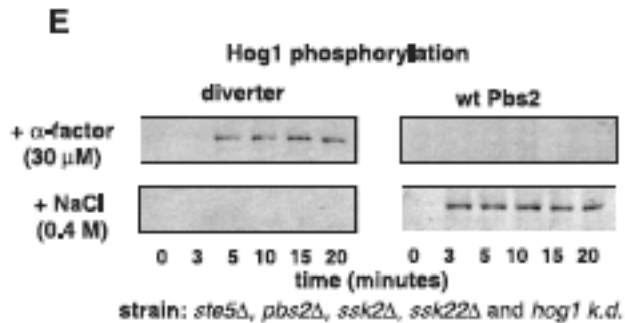
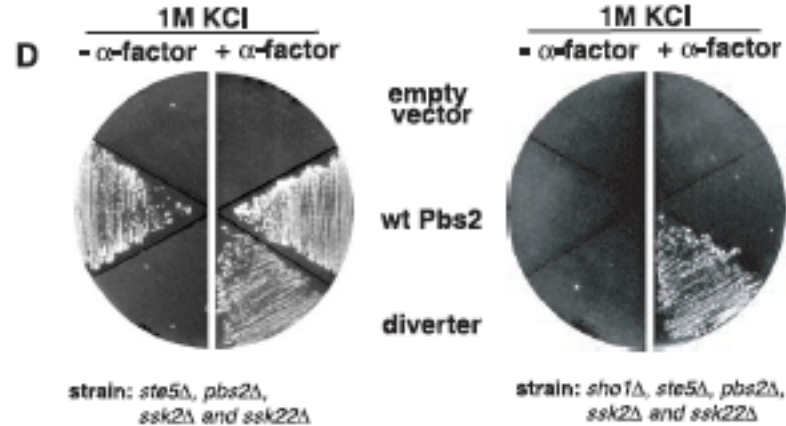


The diverter scaffold works as designed

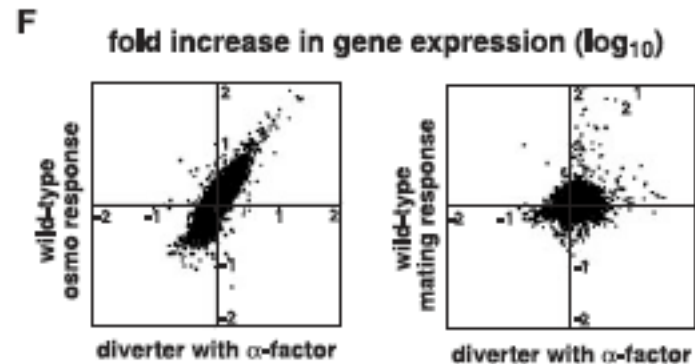
Diverter interacts with appropriate kinases



Growth on salt occurs only in presence of alpha-factor

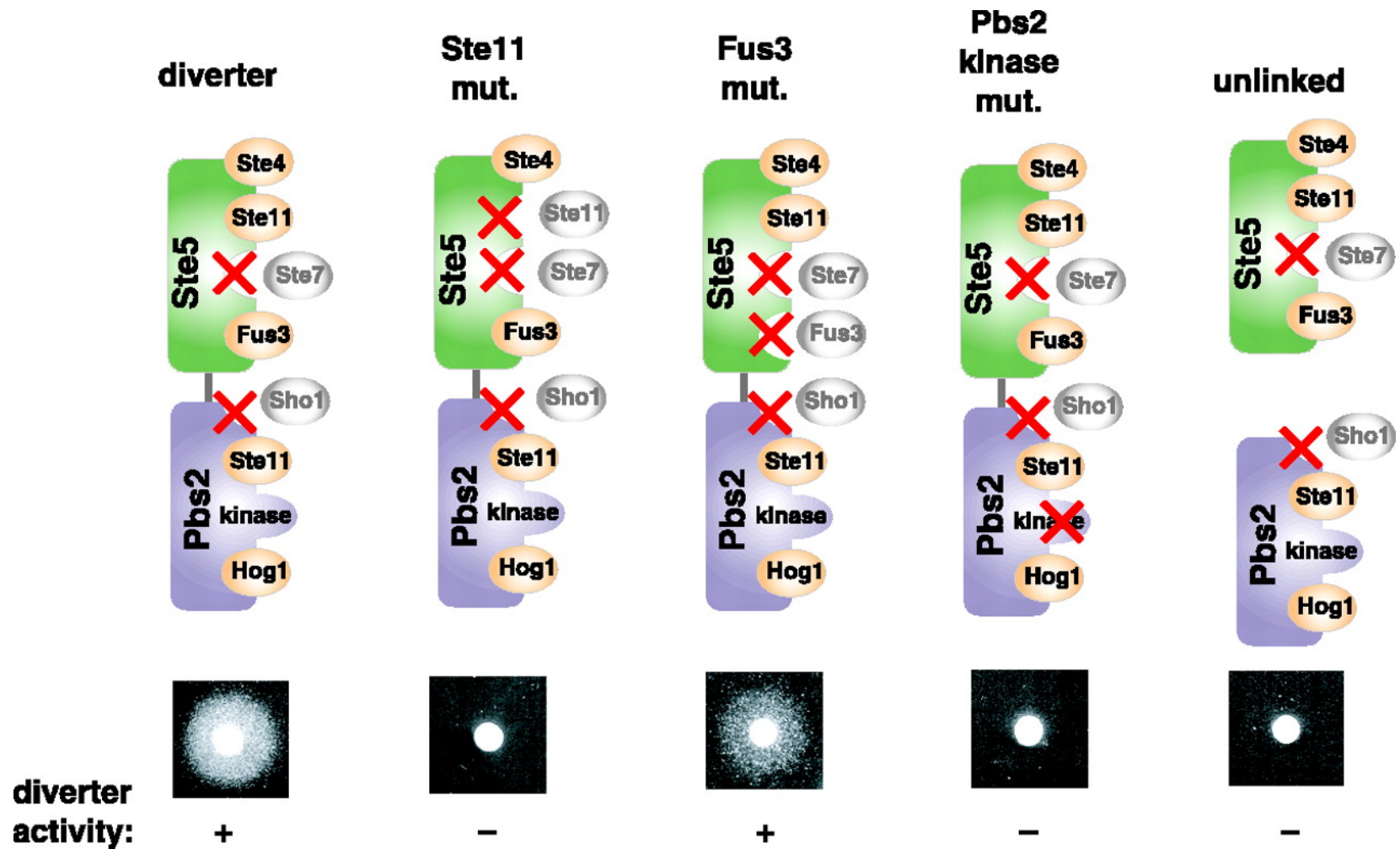


Diverter directs phosphorylation of Hog1



Diverter directs same change in gene expression as wildtype osmo-response

Figure 4 Mutational analysis of diverter scaffold requirements.



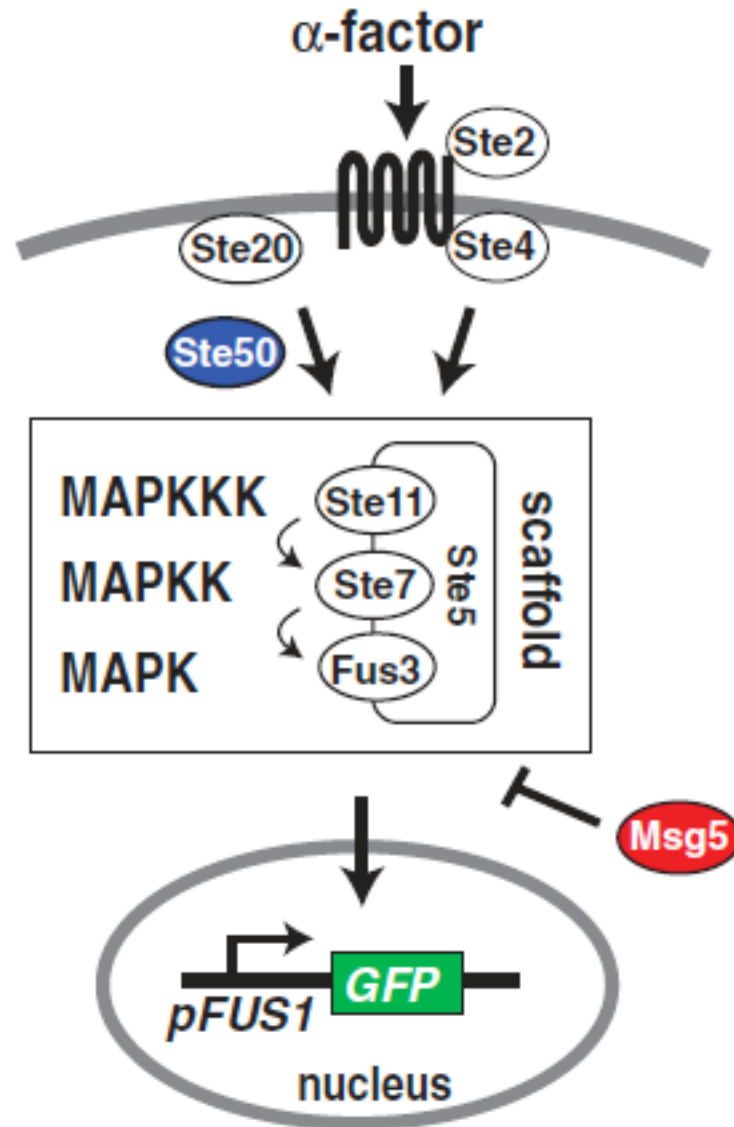
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Growth on high salt in presence of α -factor



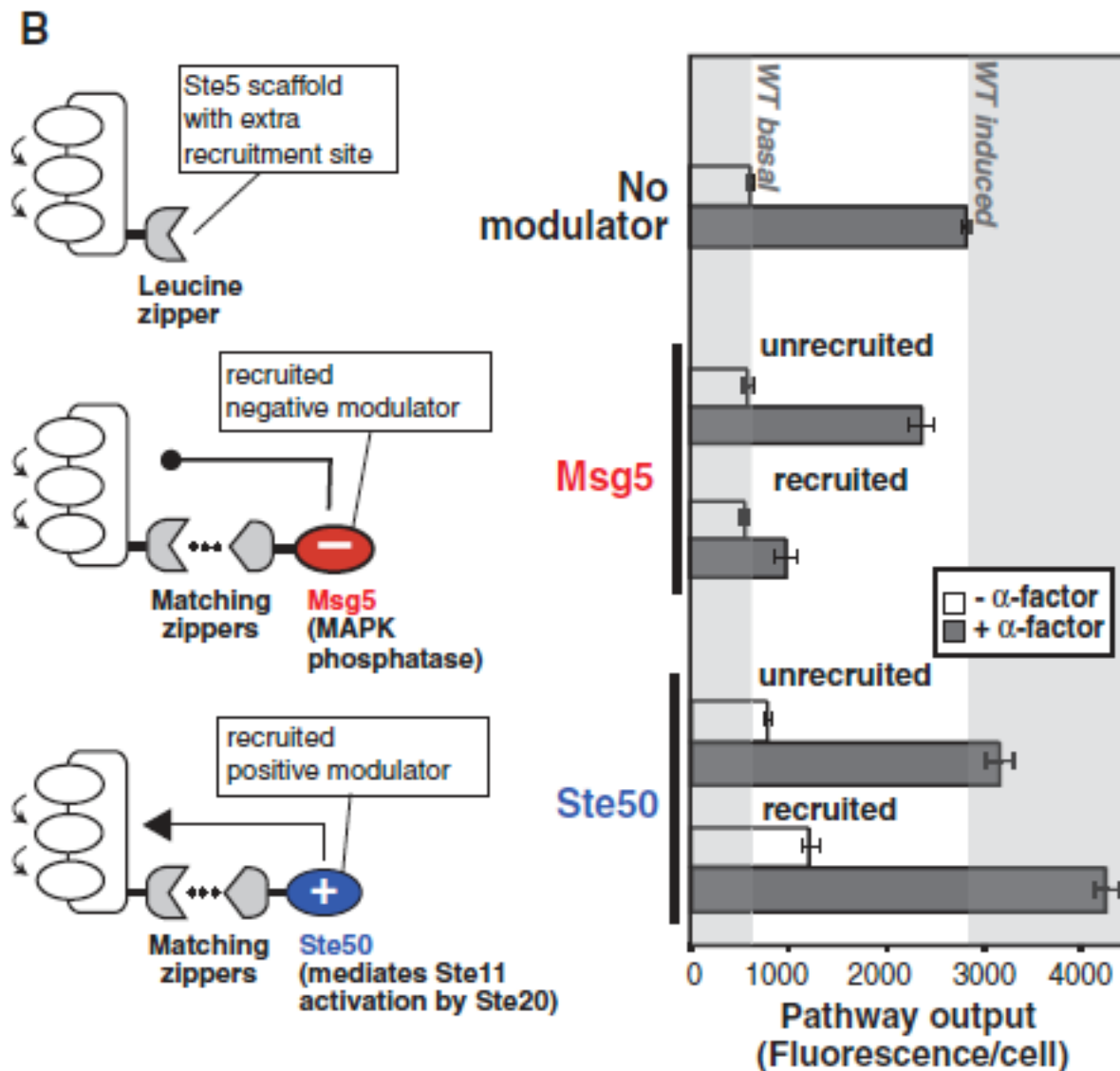
Additional regulators of pheromone response

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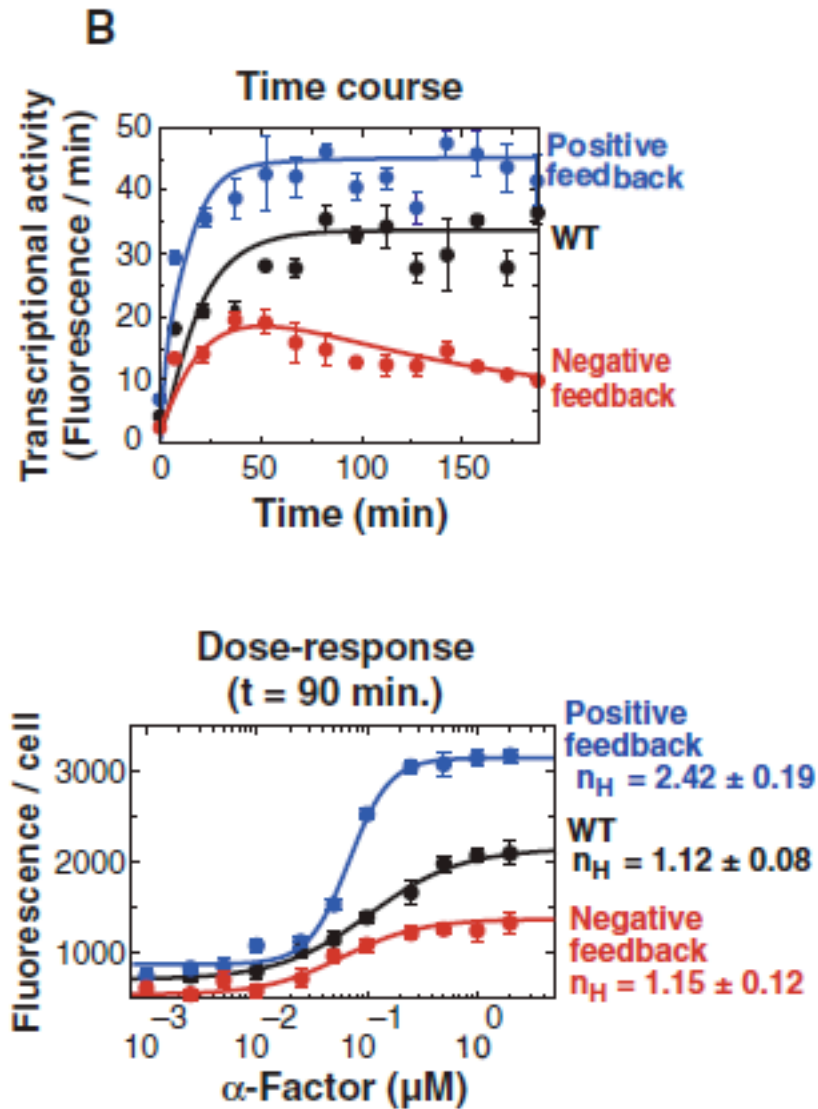
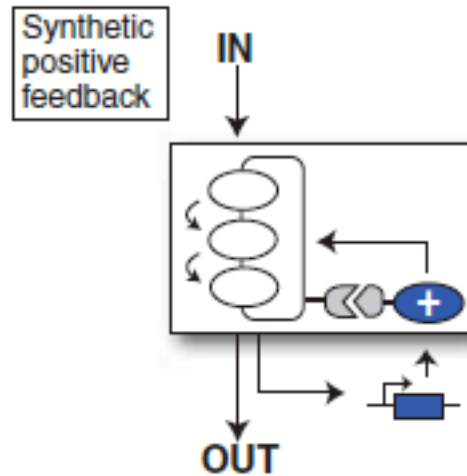
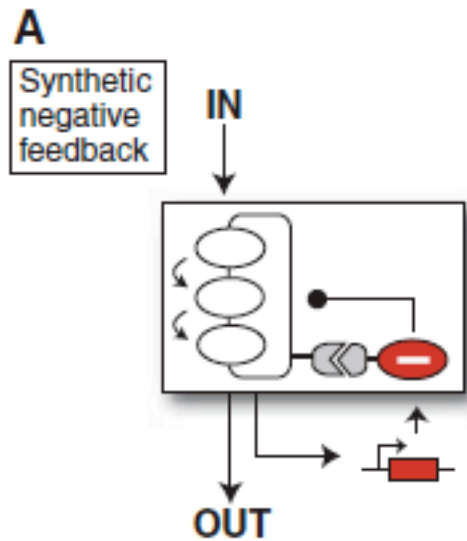


Can a scaffold be engineered to alter kinetics of response to these regulators?

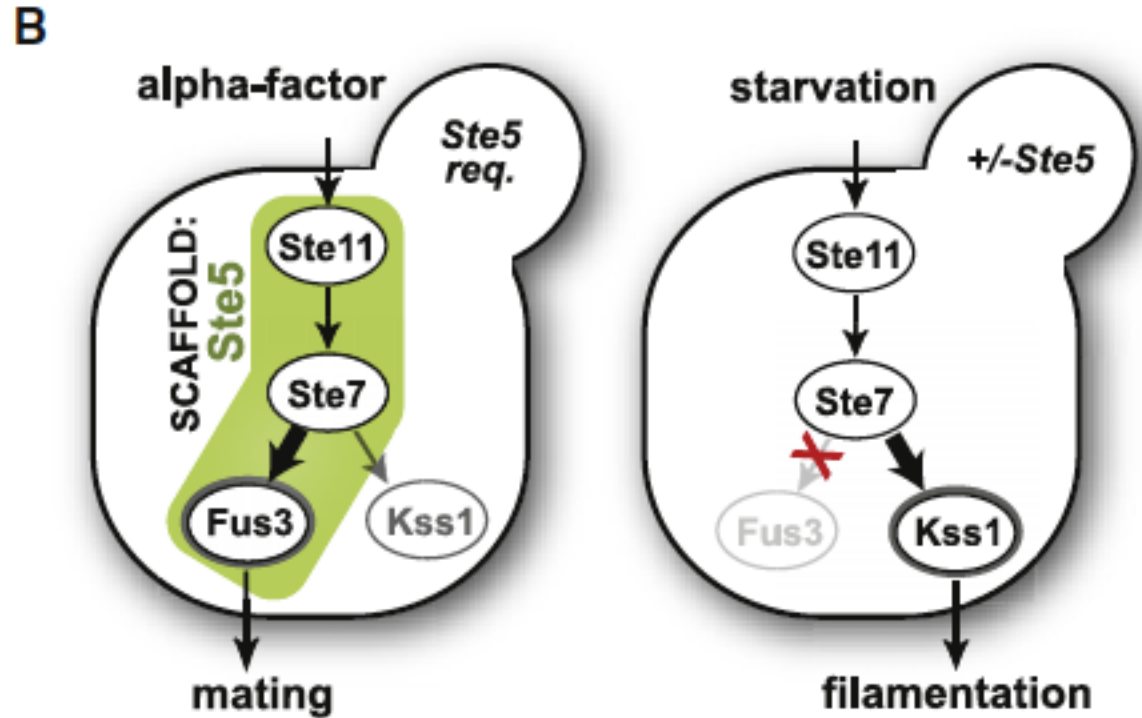
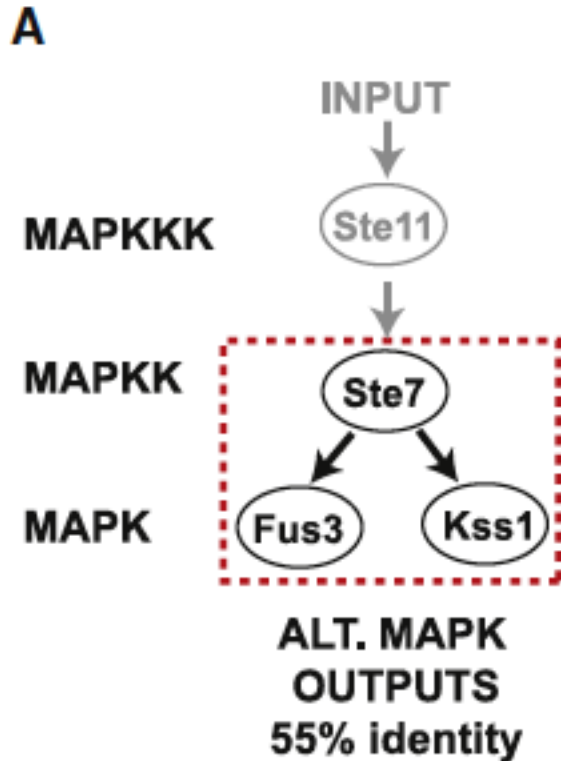
Recruited regulators attenuate or stimulate response



Recruited regulators change time course and dose response



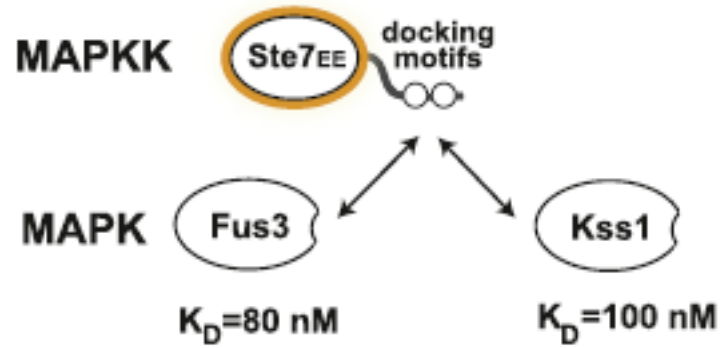
Two MAPK targets for Ste7



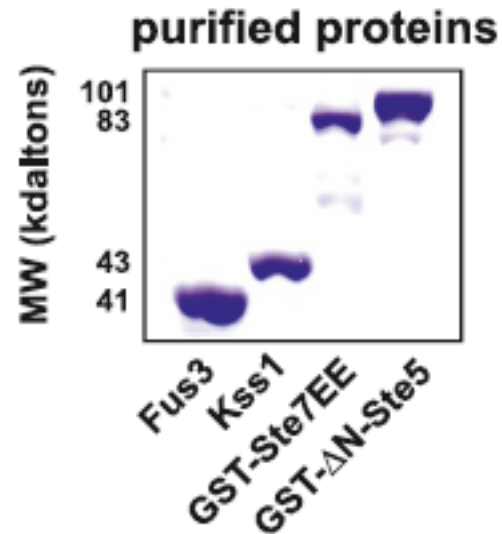
What is role of Ste5 in activation of Fus3

A new role for Ste5

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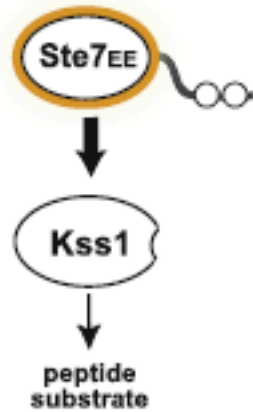


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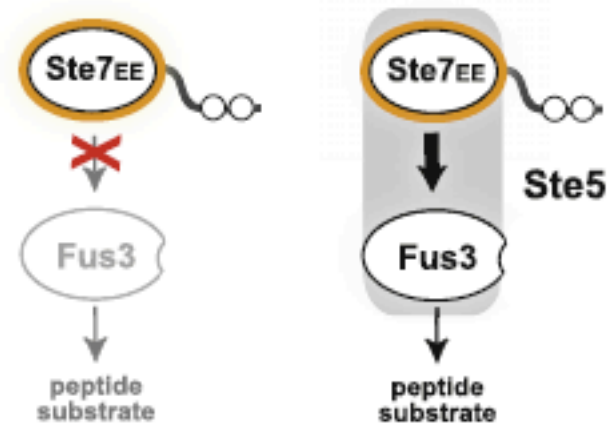


Ste5 is required for activation of Fus3 but not Kss1

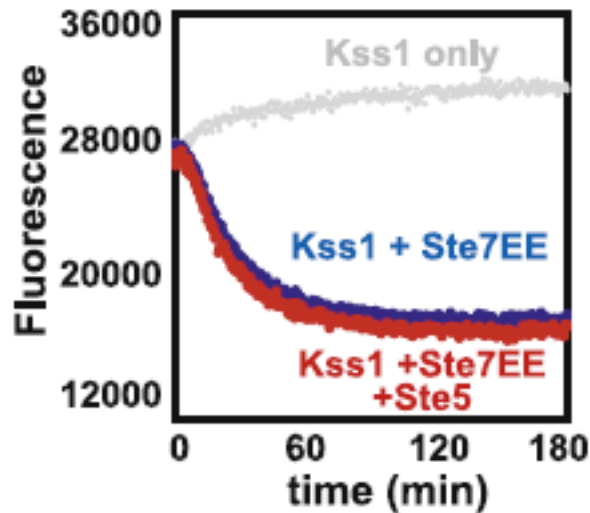
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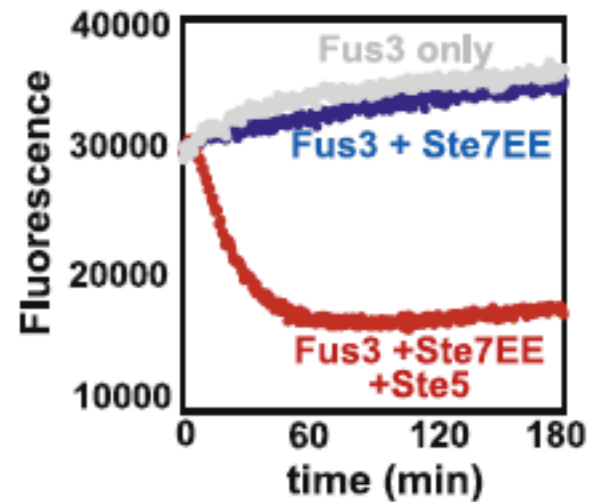
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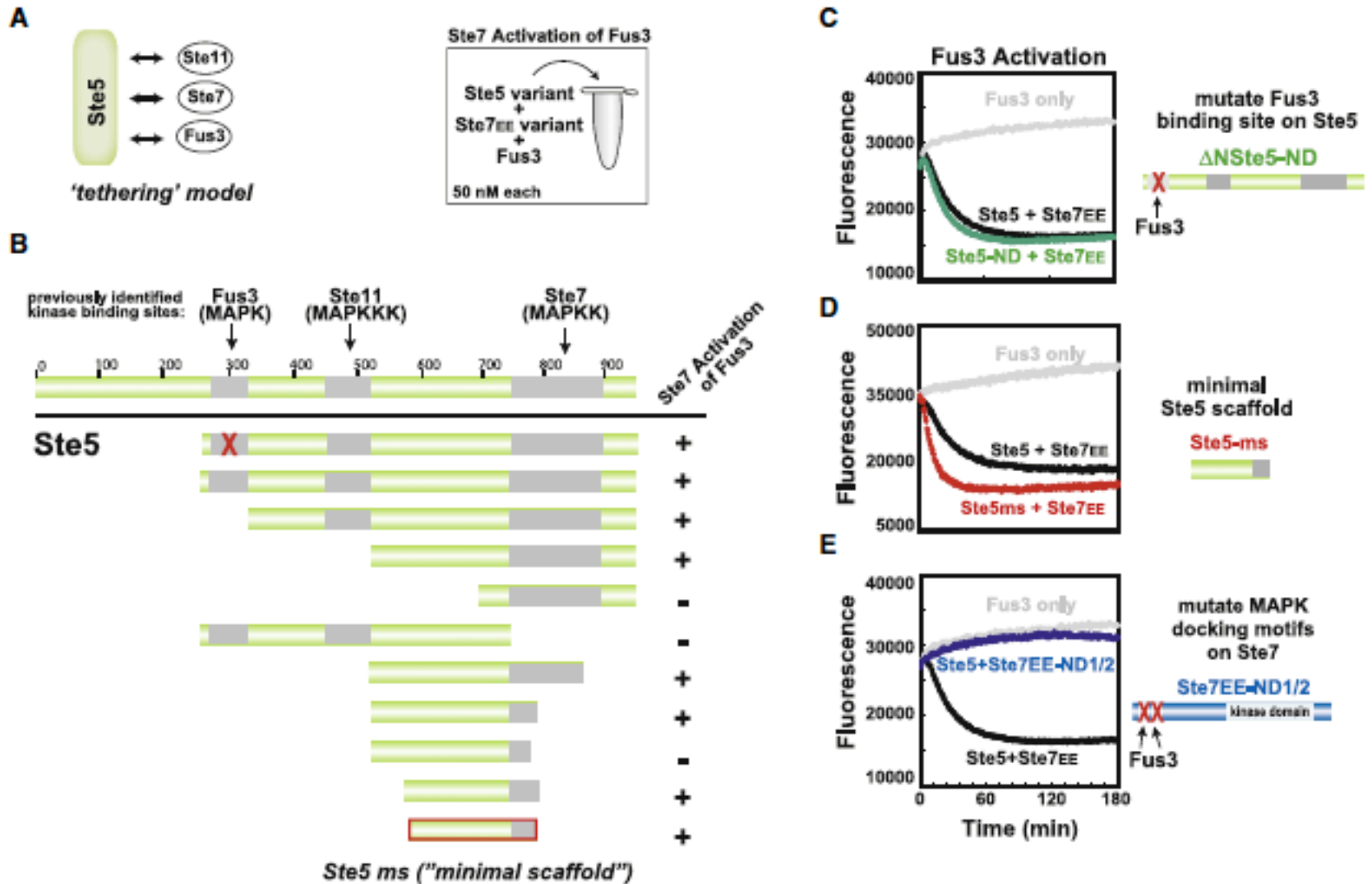
Kss1 activation



Fus3 activation



Requirements for activation of Fus3 by Ste7

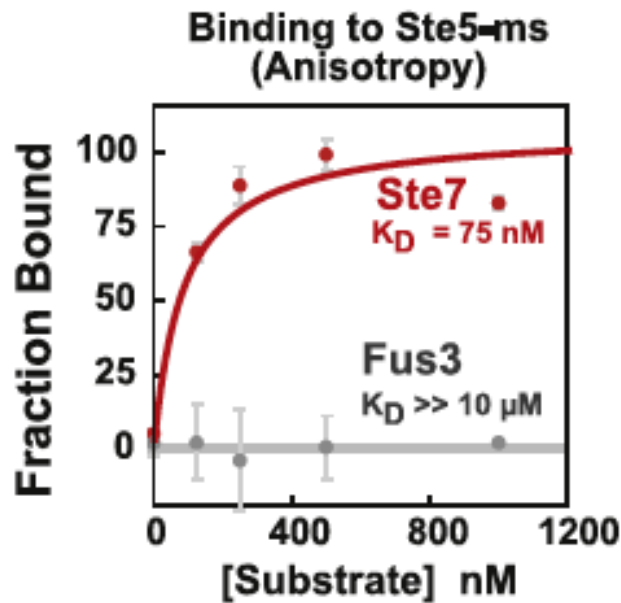


Definition of a minimal scaffold version of Ste5

Fus3 binding site on Ste5 is not required but docking sites on Ste7 are

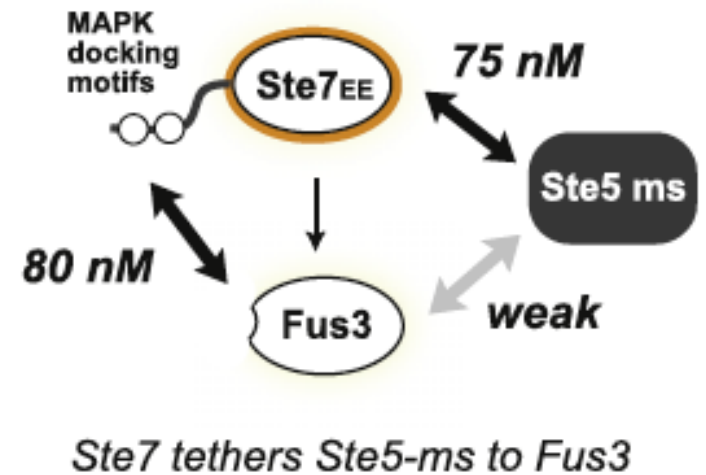
The idea is, Ste7 tethers Fus3 to the Ste5 minimal scaffold

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Minimal components and interactions



Ste5 changes the Kcat of Ste7 for Fus3, not the Km

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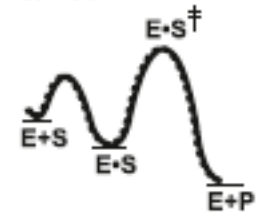
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Substrate	Ste5-ms	k_{cat} (s ⁻¹)	K_M (nM)	k_{cat}/K_M (M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)
Fus3	-	7,4 +/- 1,4 x 10 ⁻⁷	131 +/- 50	5.7
	+	4,3 +/- 1,3 x 10 ⁻³	40 +/- 22	108491
Kss1	-	2.1 +/- 0.22 x 10 ⁻²	157 +/- 55	135619
	+	1.7 +/- 0.15 x 10 ⁻²	156 +/- 61	110933

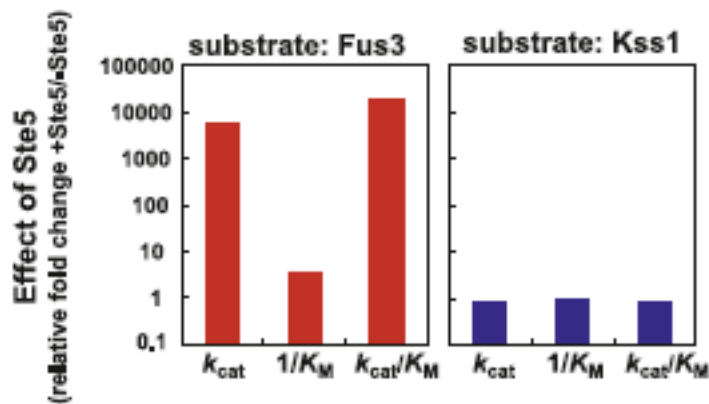
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Kss1

— - scaffold
 ... + scaffold

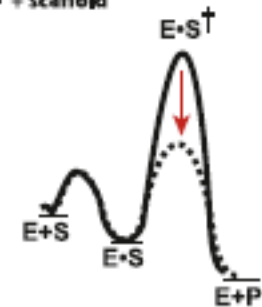


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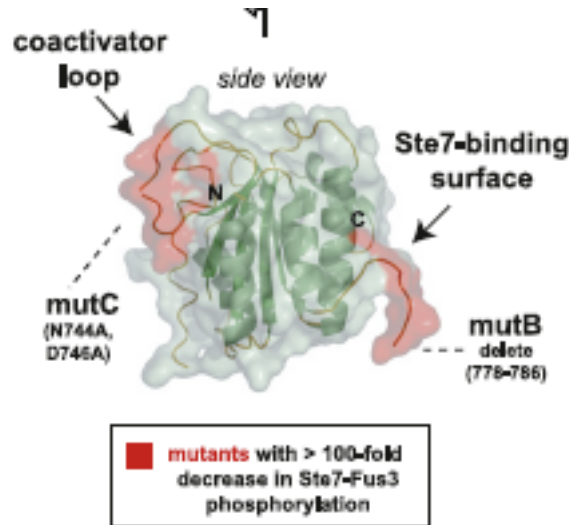


Fus3

— - scaffold
 ... + scaffold



Ste5 mutants with greater than 100-fold reduction in phosphorylation of Fus3 by Ste7



Mutants fall in two regions on Ste5 surface

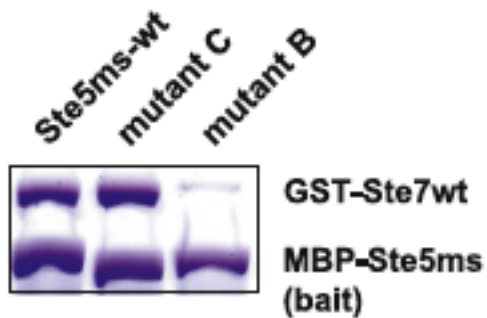
The known Ste7 binding site

A region dubbed the coactivator loop

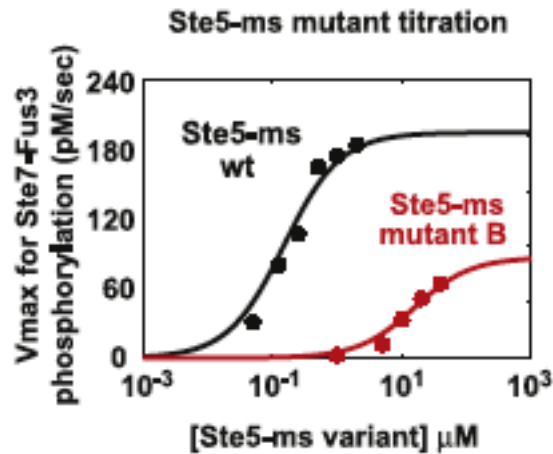
Ste5ms mutants affect different aspects of phosphorylation of Fus3 by Ste7

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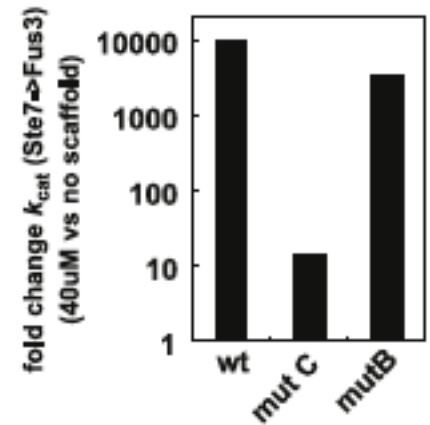
Ste7 binding to Ste5ms-mutants



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Max Effect of Ste5-ms mutants



Mutant B affects Ste7 binding

Mutant C affects k_{cat}

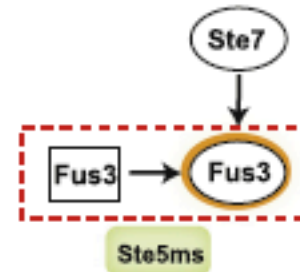
2 possibilities for how Ste5 stimulates phosphorylation of Fus3 by Ste7

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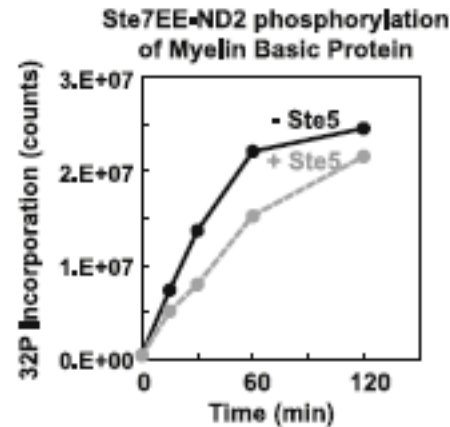
Scaffold Regulates MAPKK Ste7



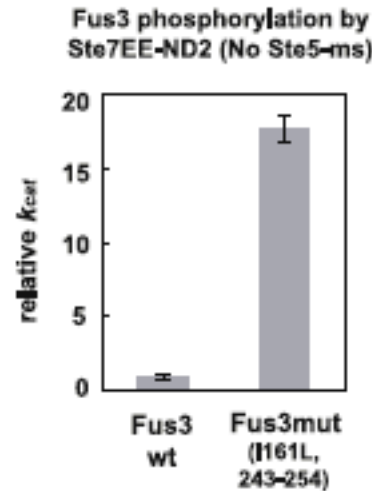
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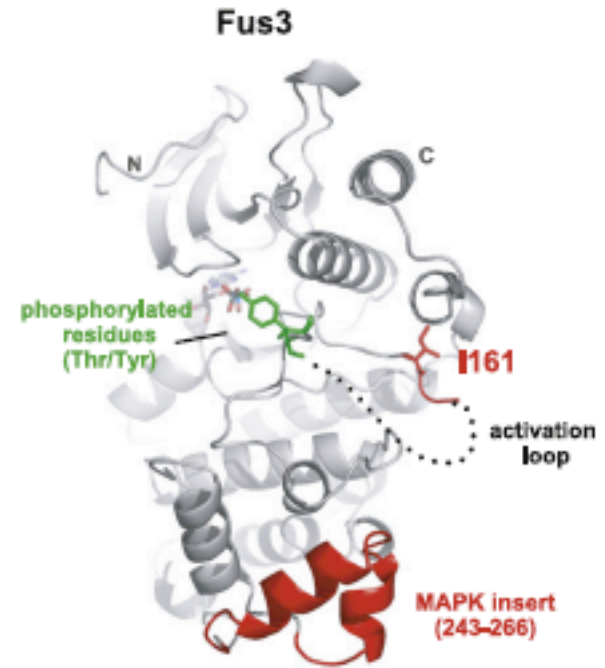
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D



The data support the 2nd possibility; perhaps Ste5 induces a conformational change in Fus3 that makes its activation loop accessible to Ste7

1. Ste5 makes Ste7 a better kinase
2. Ste5 make Fus3 a better substrate

Model

E

