

Functional analysis of vascular genes in zebrafish

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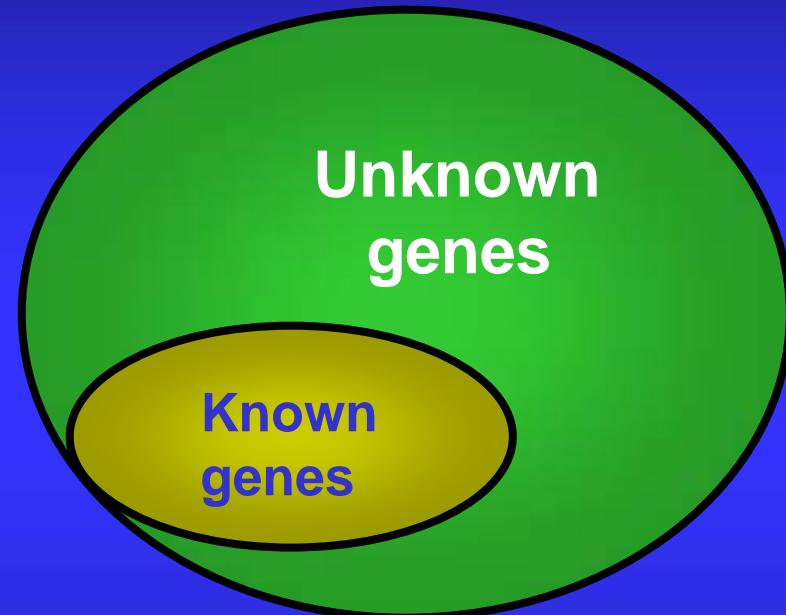
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Post Genome Era



25,000 Human genes



Genome Function

Fishing new
functional genes

Disease &
Drug targets

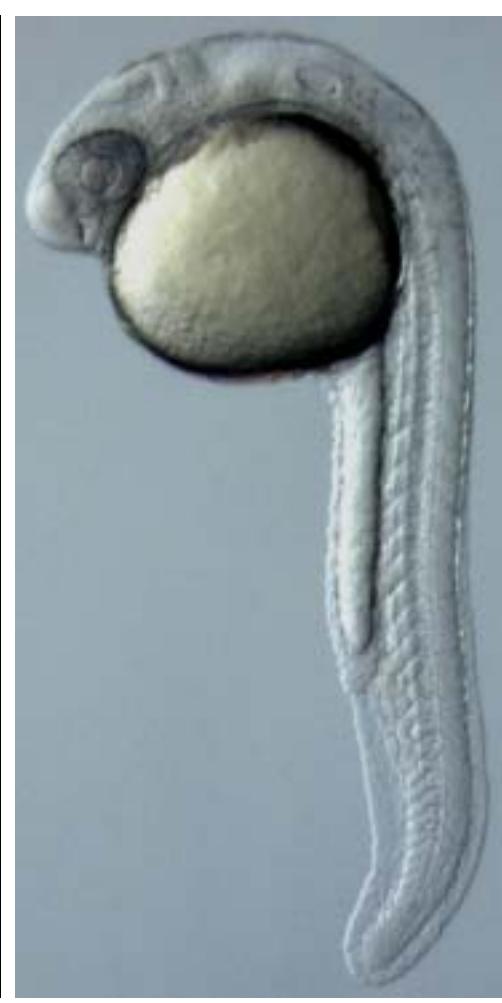
Why zebrafish ?



- A small vertebrate
 - Genetic analysis
 - Embryological manipulation
 - Genome duplication (4 copies)
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1. 100 ~ 200 eggs/fish
 2. Rapid development
 3. Transparent
 4. Simple & inexpensive (1/100 ~ 1/1000)
 5. 'yeast-style' haploid genetics
(UV-inactivated sperm)
 6. Sperm freezing

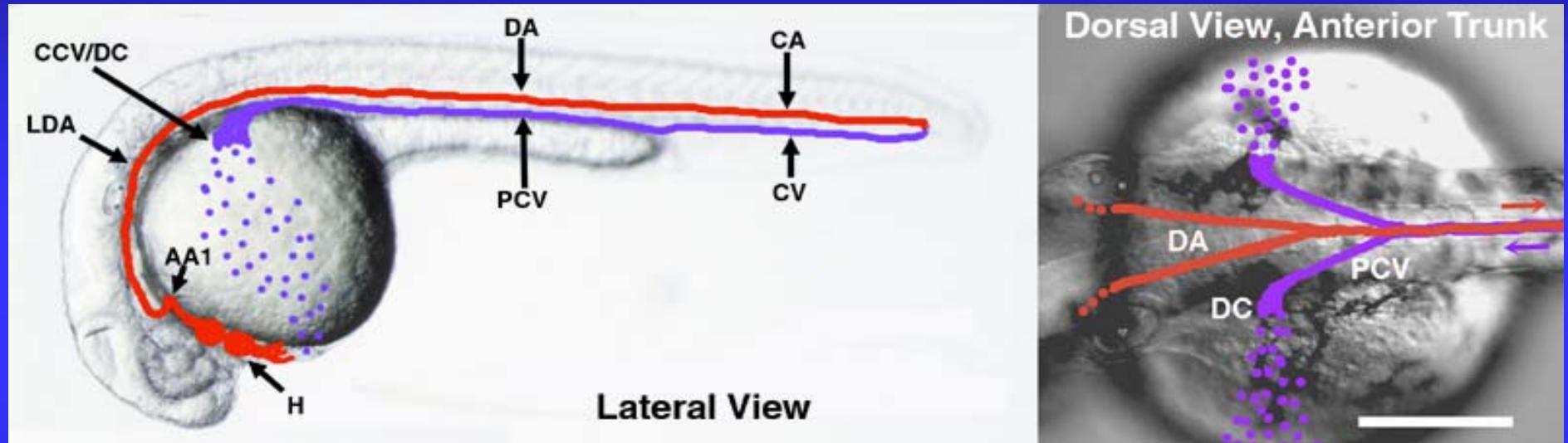


day 28 human



day 1 zebrafish

Zebrafish Vascular System at 24h



H : Heart

AA1 : Mandibular arch

LDA : Lateral dorsal aorta

CCV/DC : Common cardinal vein

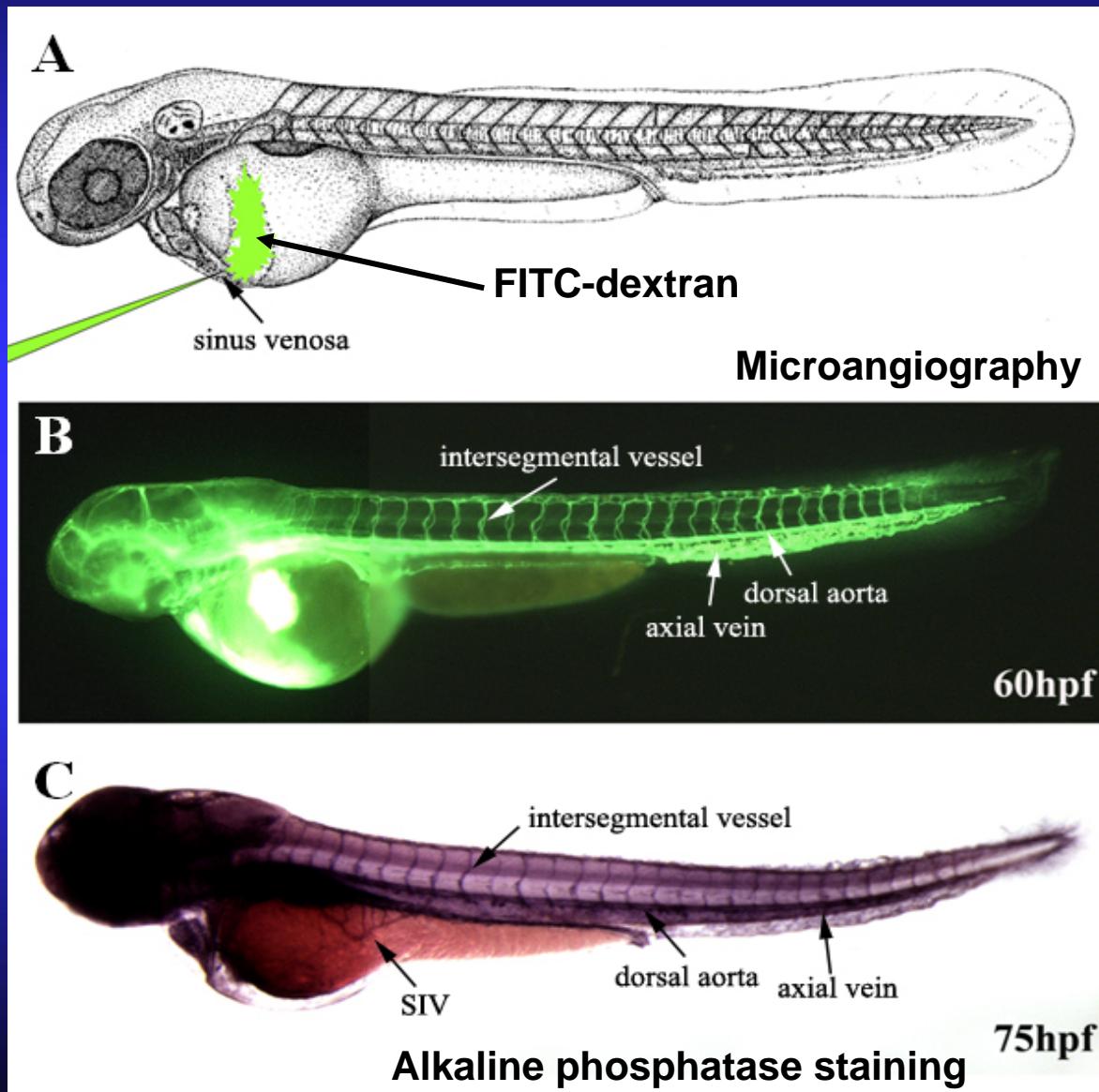
DA : Dorsal aorta

PCV : Posterior cardinal vein

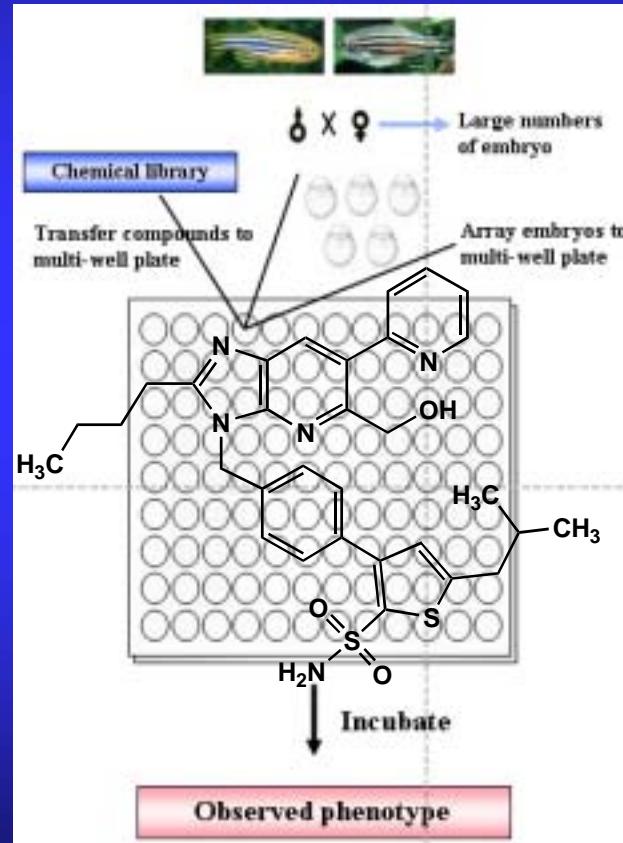
CA : Caudal artery

CV : Caudal vein

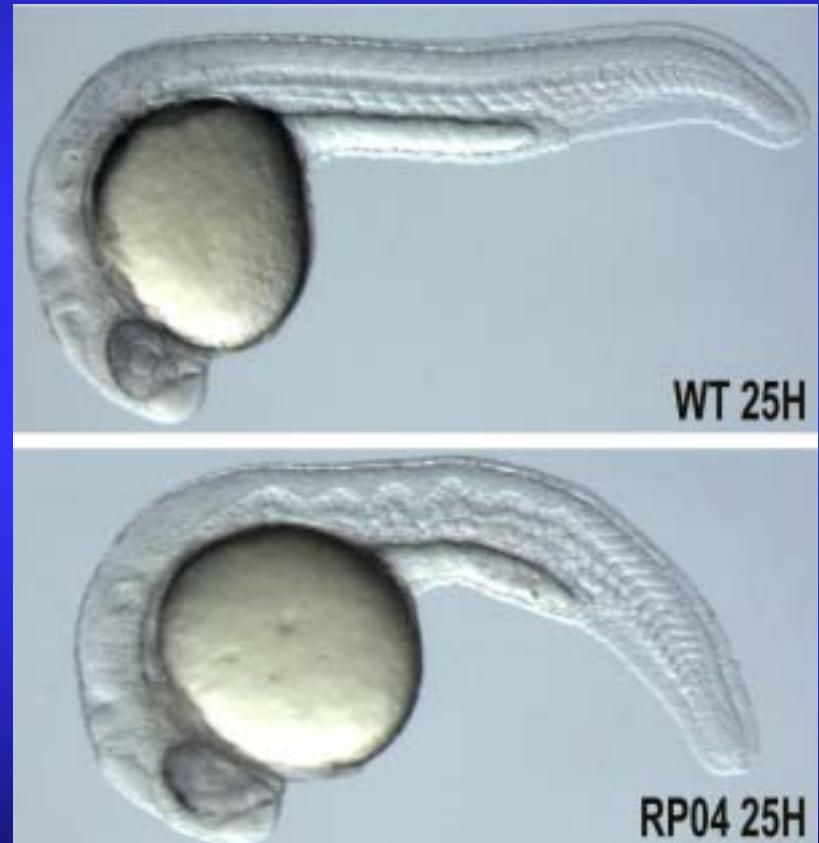
Detection of vascular development



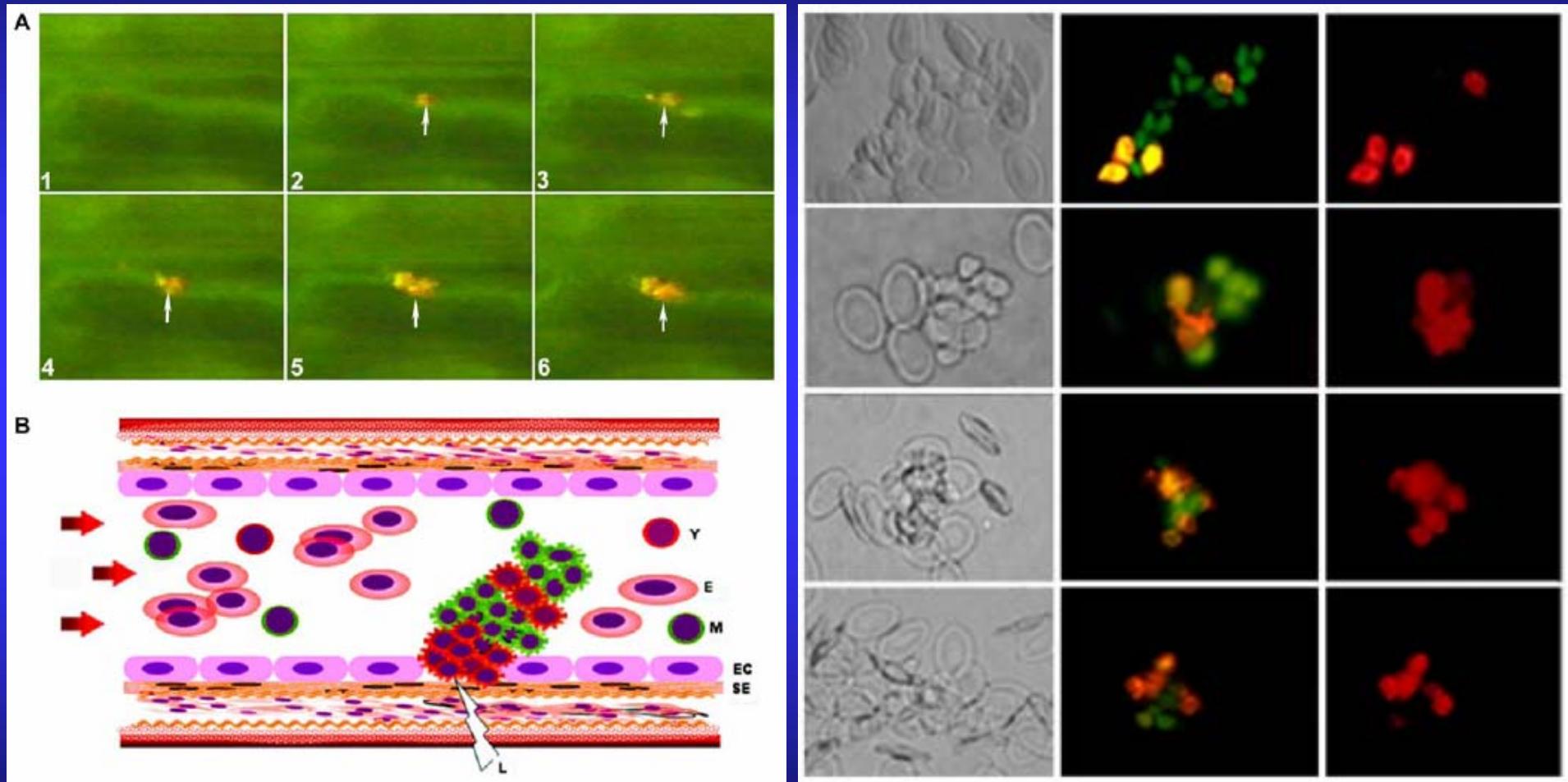
Chemical genomics in zebrafish (phenotype-based HTS)



A 7d-zebrafish in 50 μ l



Thrombosis after laser-induced microinjury



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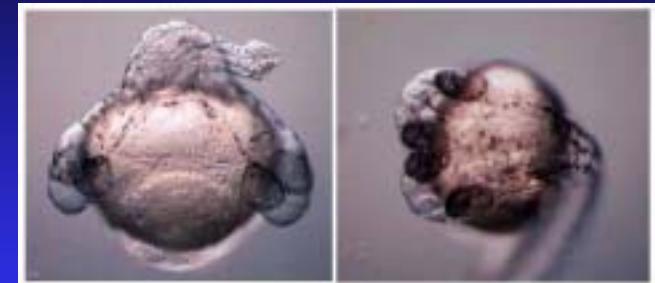
Expression cloning of human genes in zebrafish

In silico screening

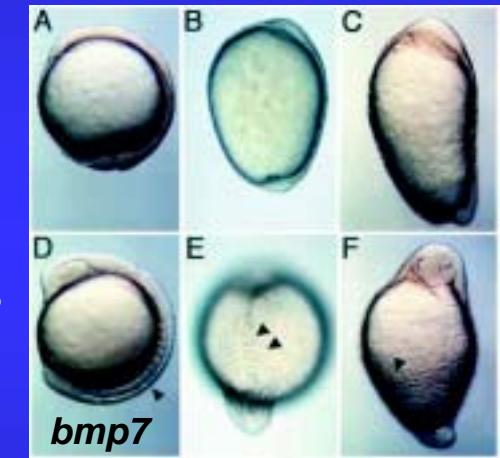
Korean UniGene Information (KUGI)

Human UniGene Collection

10,000 full-length open reading frame (FL-ORF) clones

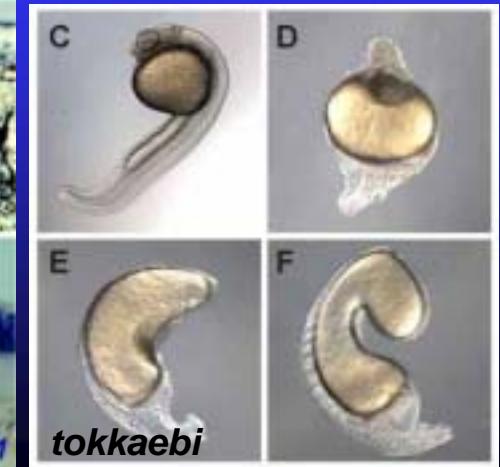


In vitro synthesis of mRNAs

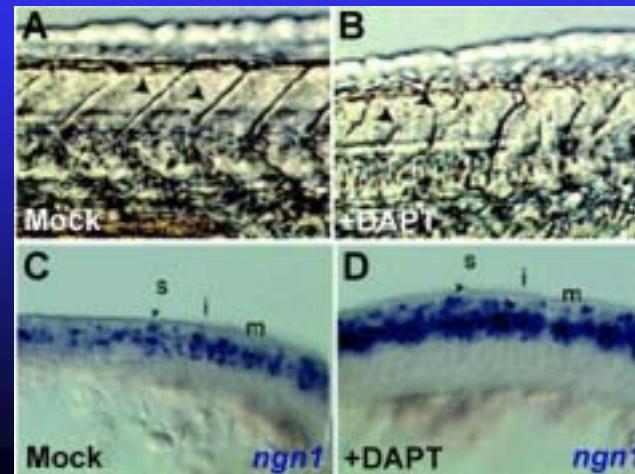
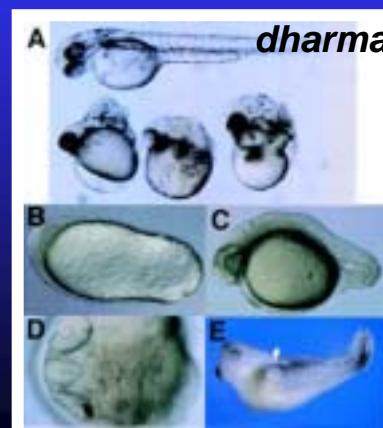
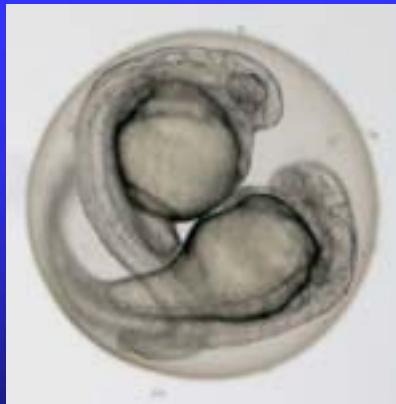


Overexpression by microinjection

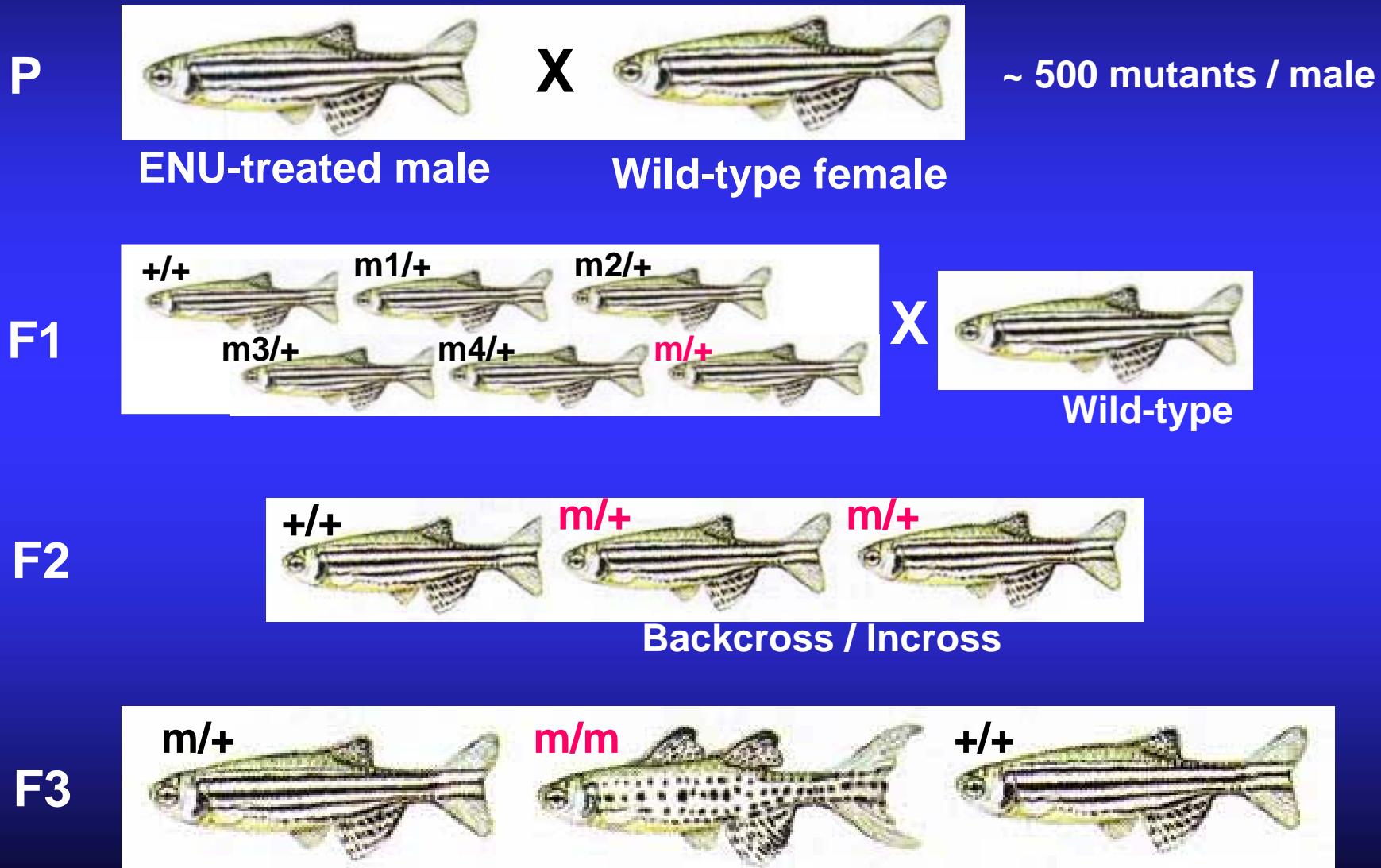
In vivo screening of functional genes



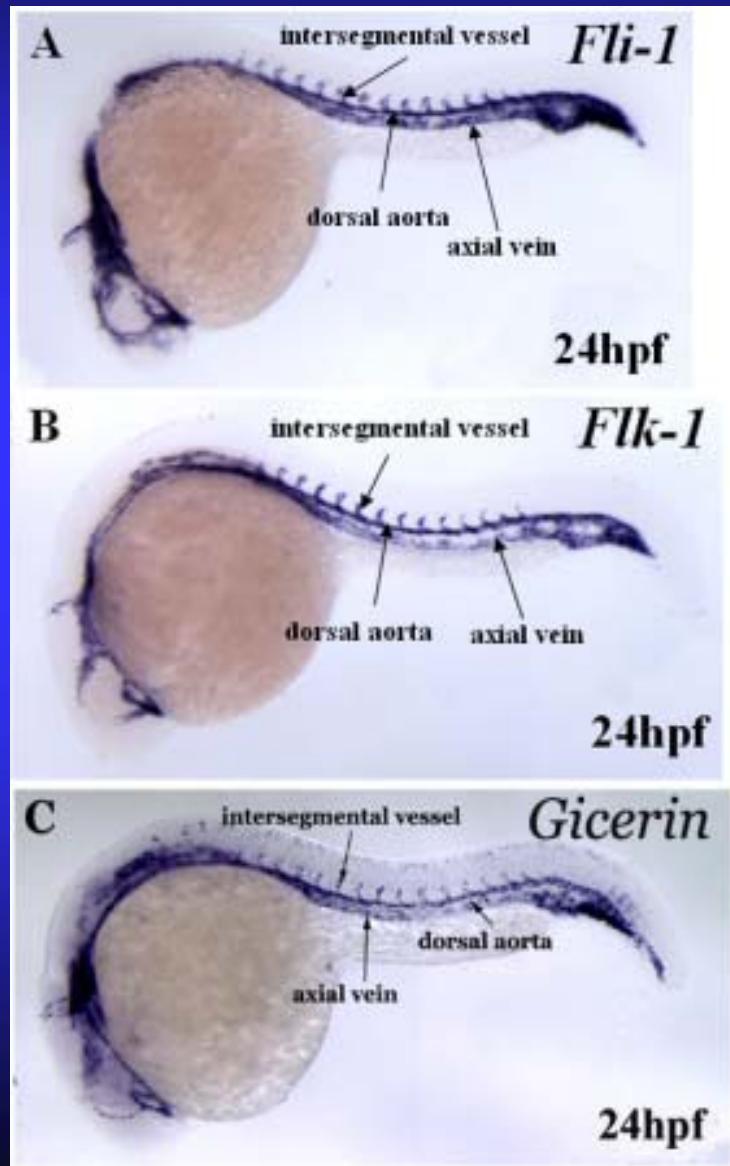
New Disease & Drug targets



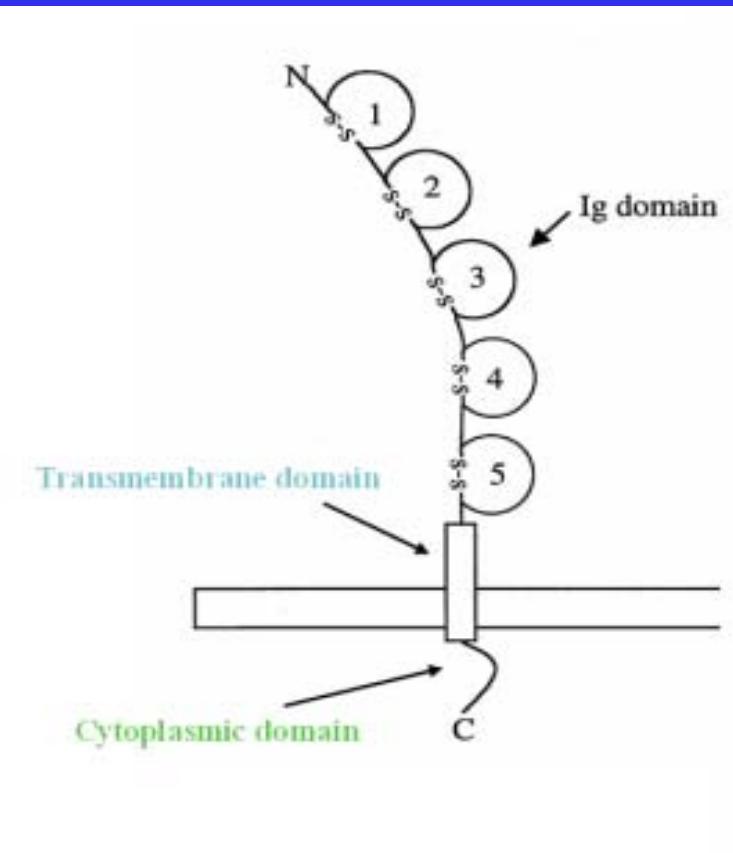
Saturation mutagenesis in zebrafish



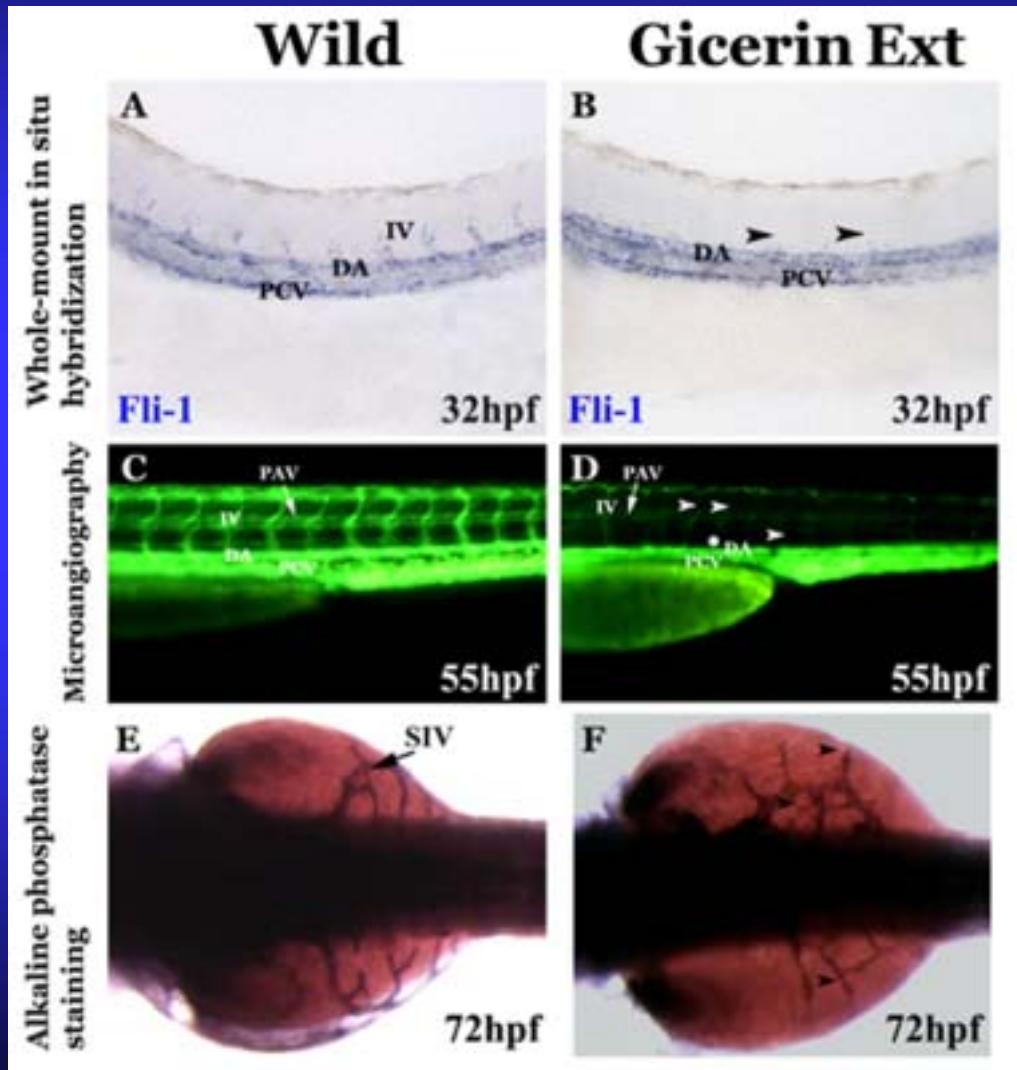
Vascular specific expression of *gicerin*



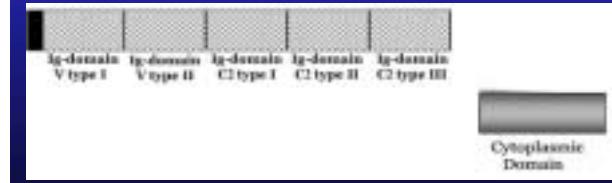
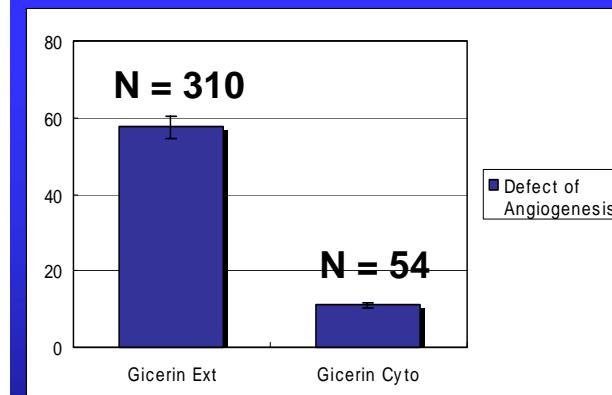
Fli-1 (Friend leukemia integration-1)
Flk-1 (Fetal liver kinase-1; VEGFR2)



DN form of Gicerin inhibits angiogenesis



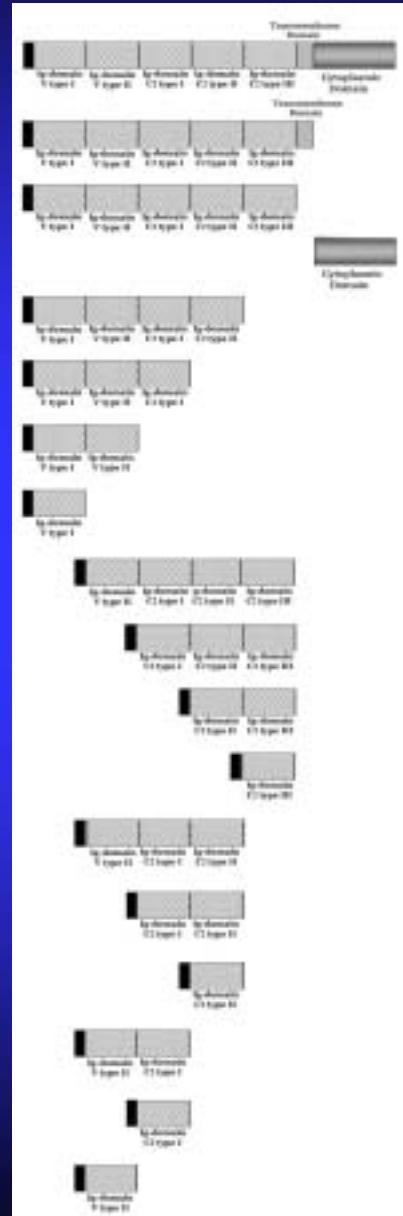
intersegmental vessel formation
subintestinal vein-sprouting



Gicerin Ext (DN)

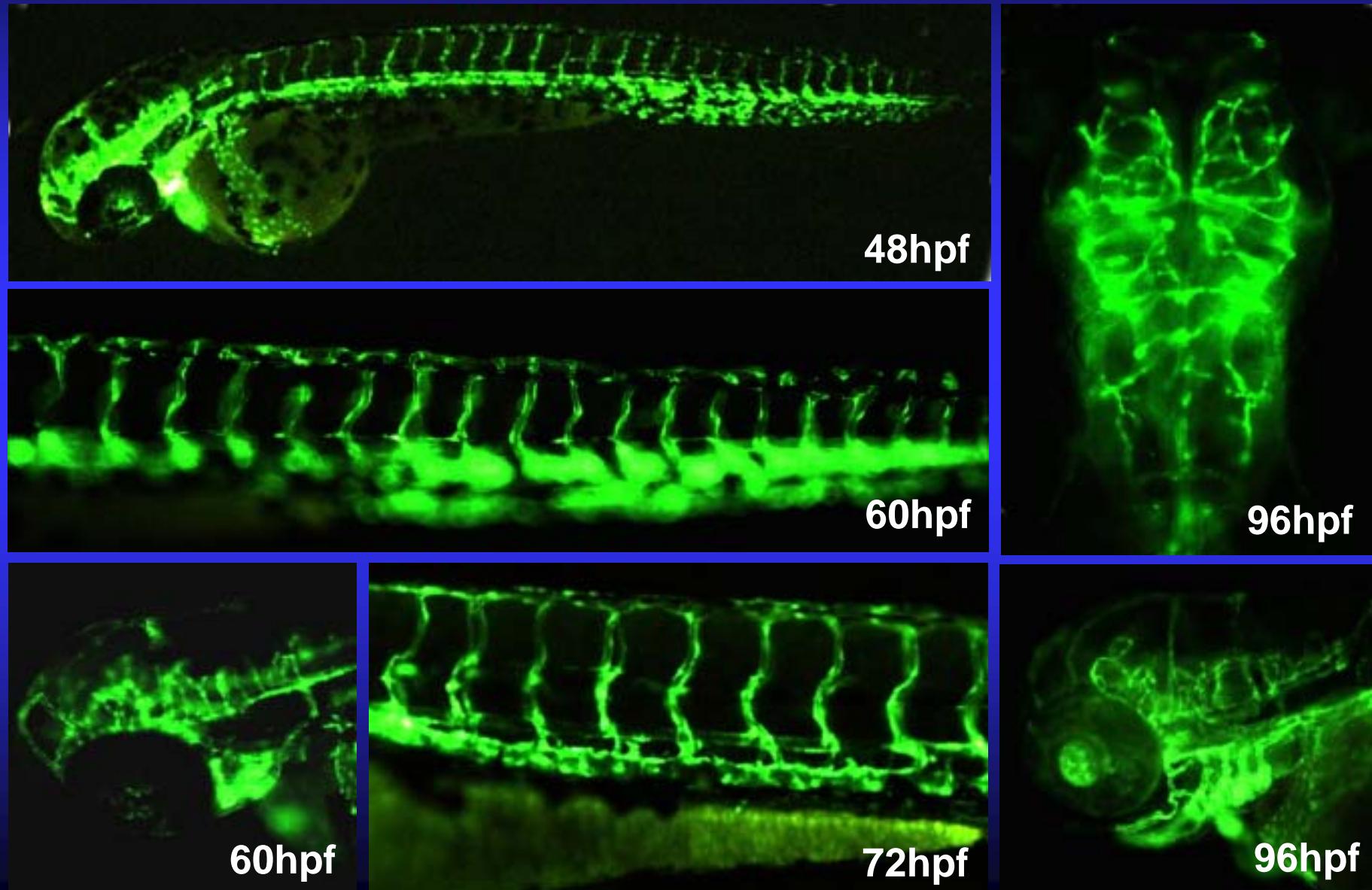
Gicerin Cyto

Gicerin deletion constructs

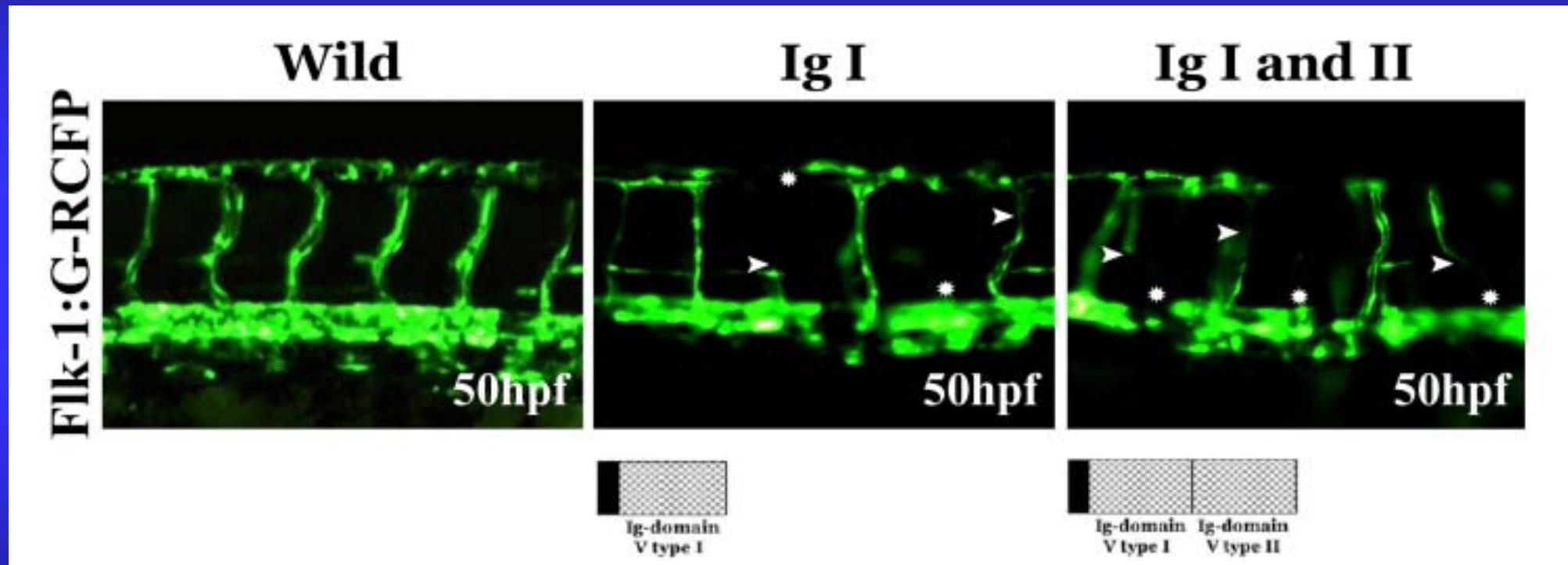


Anti-angiogenic peptide?

flk1-GFP transgenic zebrafish

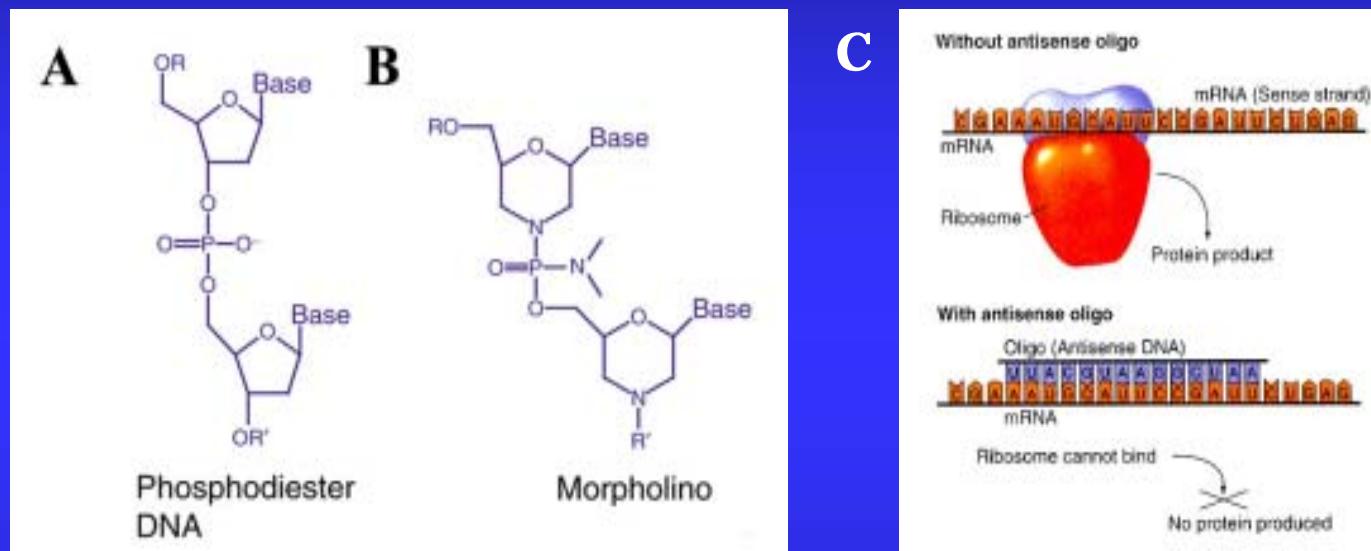


Gicerin DN-forms & vascular defects



Knock-down analysis of Gicerin

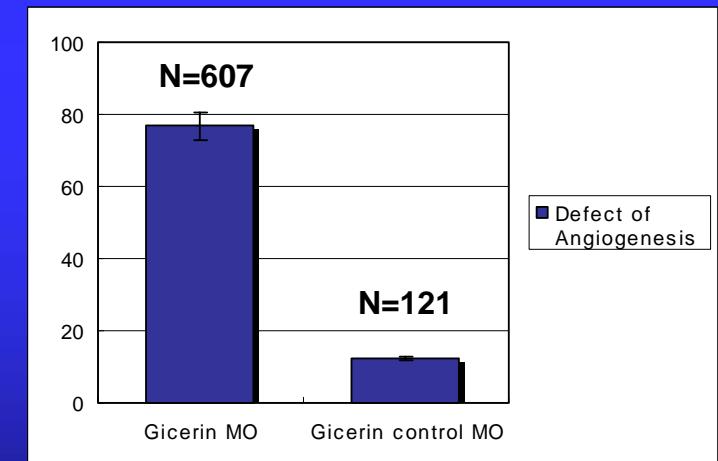
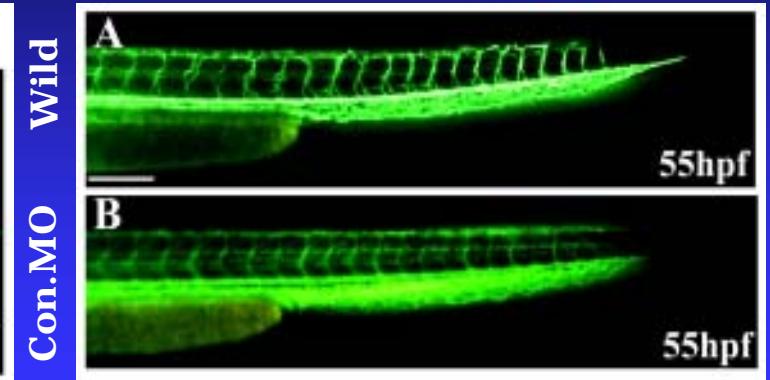
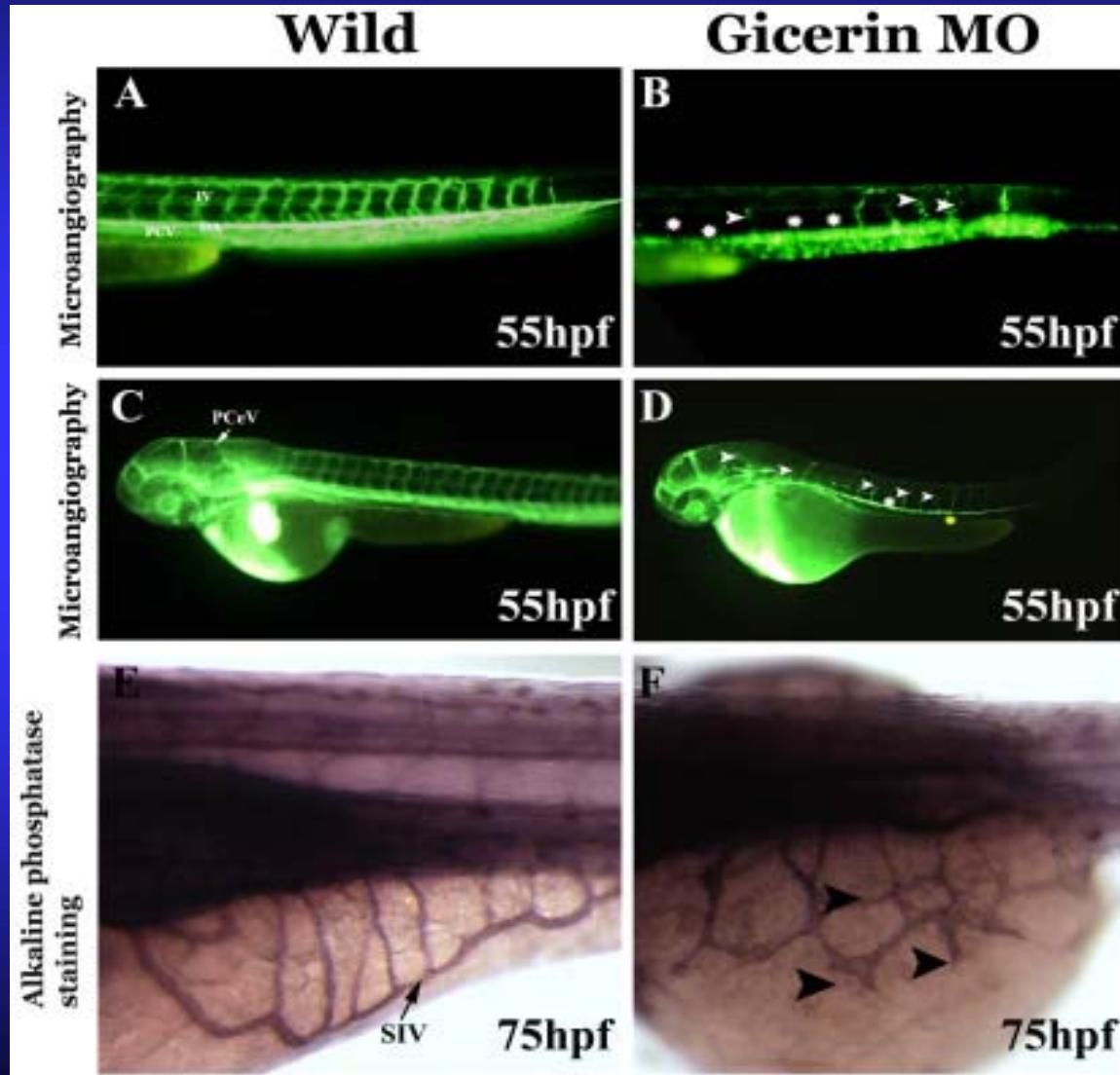
Morpholino (anti-sense oligonucleotide)



Gicerin Morpholino ;
5' AGCAGTGC~~GG~~TAGGT~~C~~ATTCTC 3'

Gicerin 5 base-mismatch control Morpholino;
5' AG~~GC~~GTGC~~GG~~AGTAG~~CT~~CATTGTC 3'

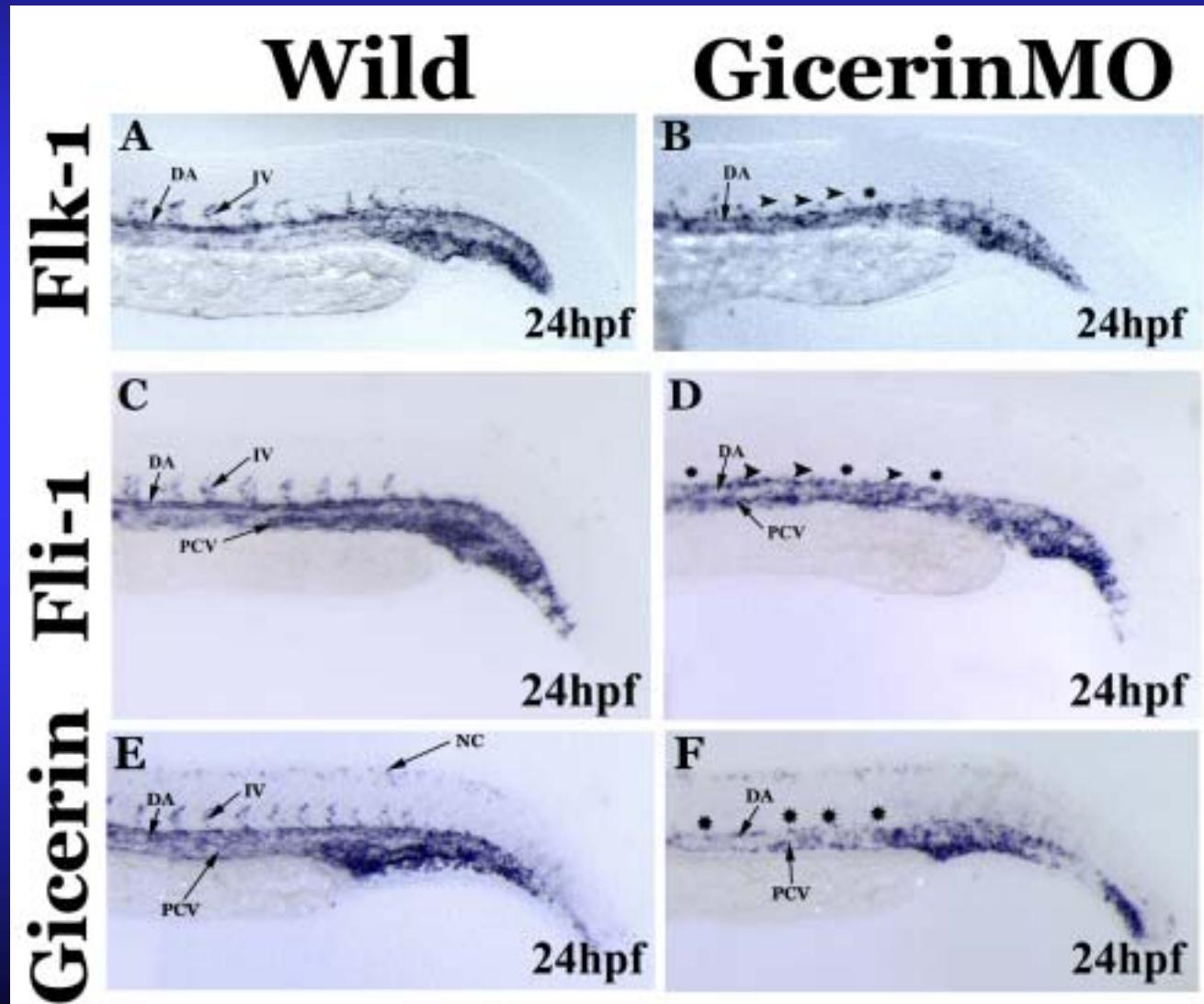
Angiogenesis in MO-injected embryos



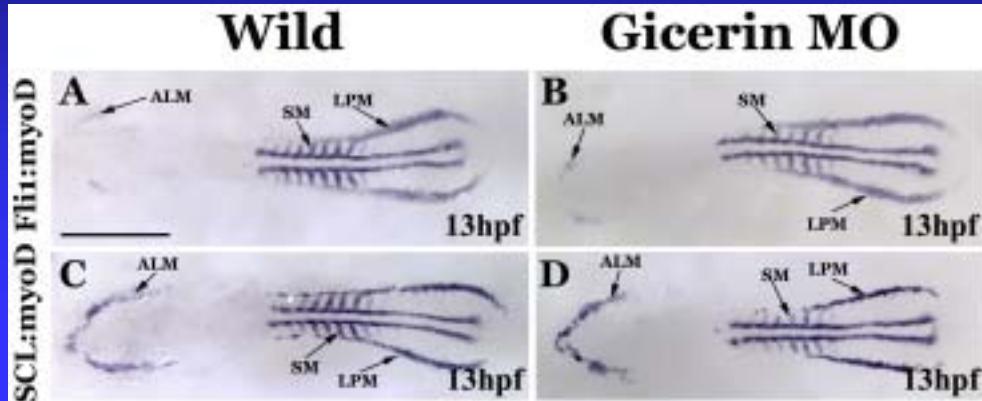
Gicerin MO : 1 ng/embryo

Gicerin control MO : 1.5 ng/embryo

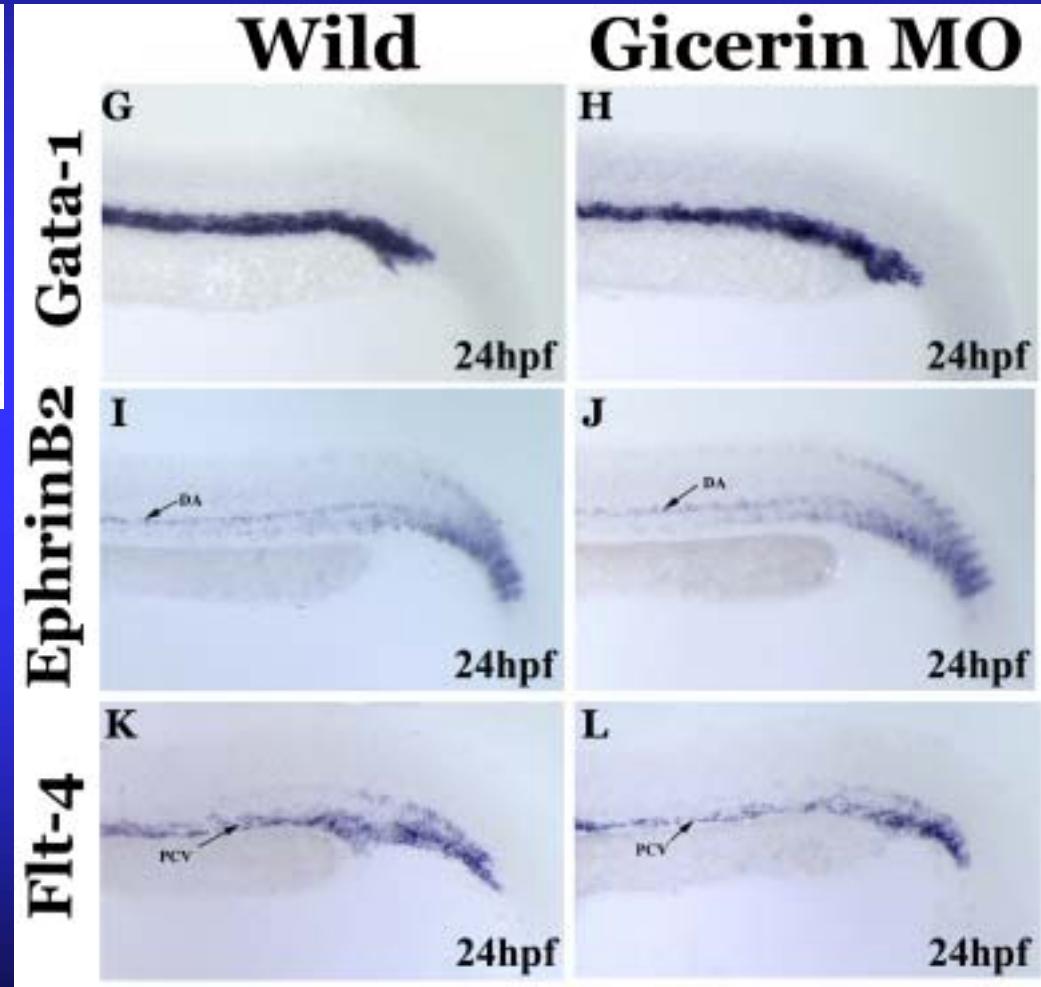
Gicerin MO inhibits angiogenesis



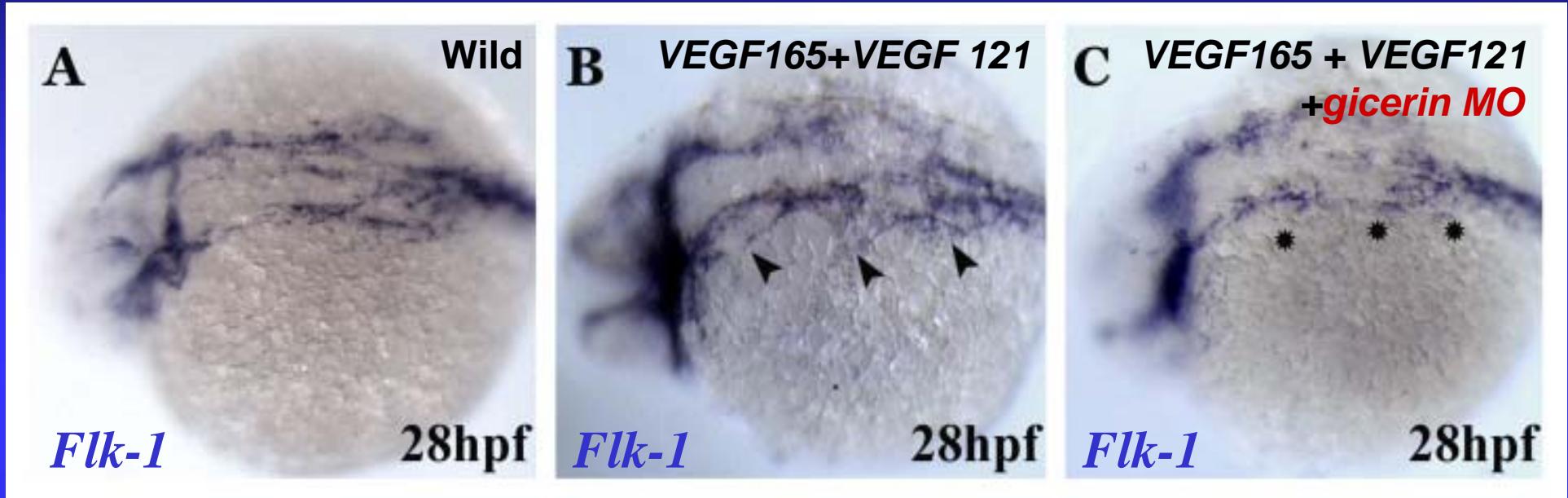
Vasculogenesis is not affected by gicerin MO



Gata-1 : erythroid precursor
SCL : haemangioblast
EphrinB2 : artery
Flt-4 : vein
Fli1-1 : vascular marker

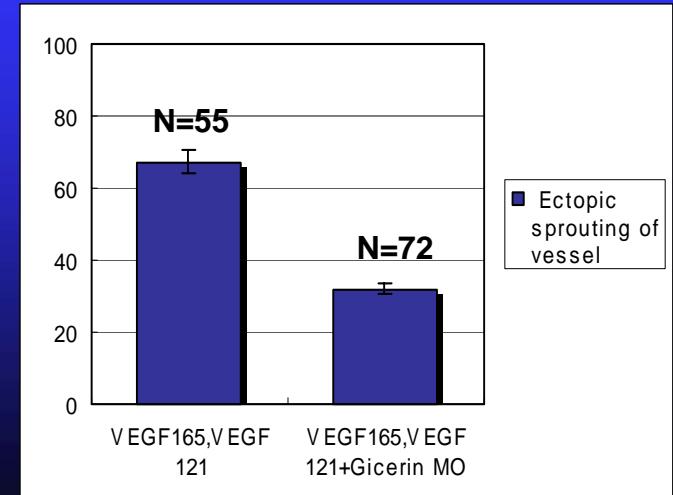


Gicerin MO inhibits VEGF-induced angiogenesis



VEGF165+VEGF121: 30 pg/embryo

Gicerin MO : 1.5 ng/embryo

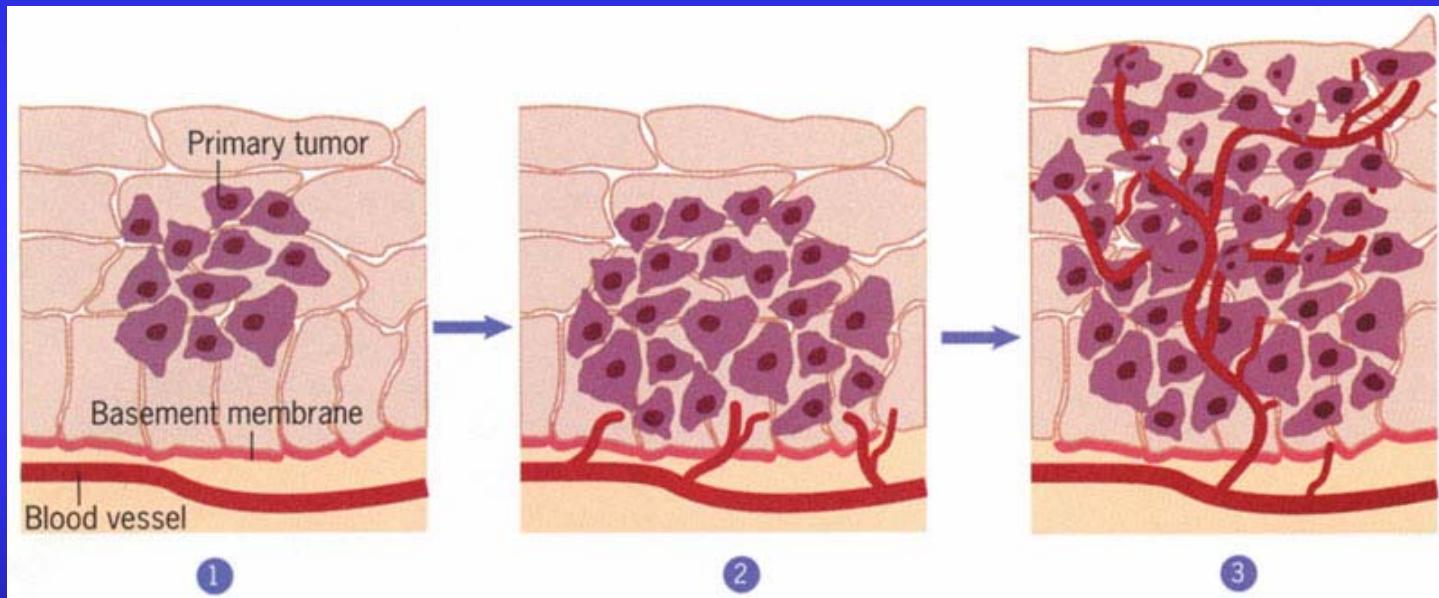


Angiogenesis inhibitors for anticancer therapy

CD146, MCAM, Mel-CAM, MUC18, P1H12, A32 antigen, S-Endo-1

Tumor endothelial marker (*Croix, Science 2000*)

Immunoglobulin superfamily (NCAM, PECAM, ICAM, VCAM)



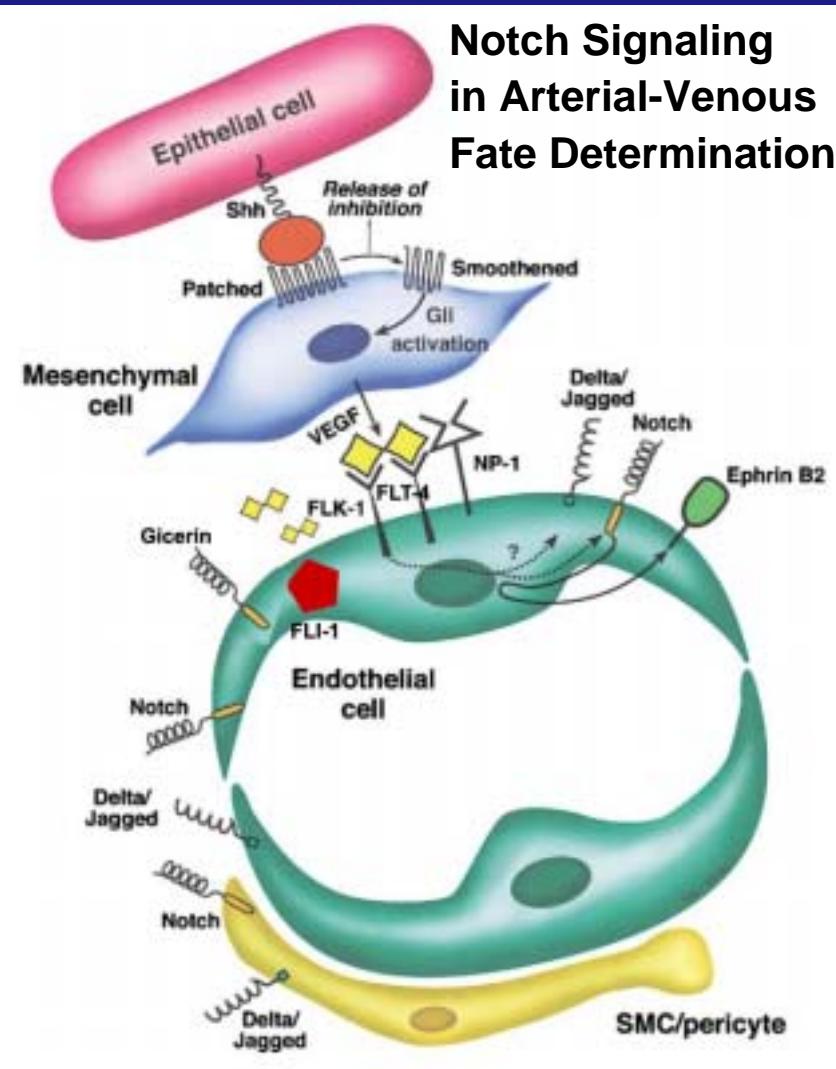
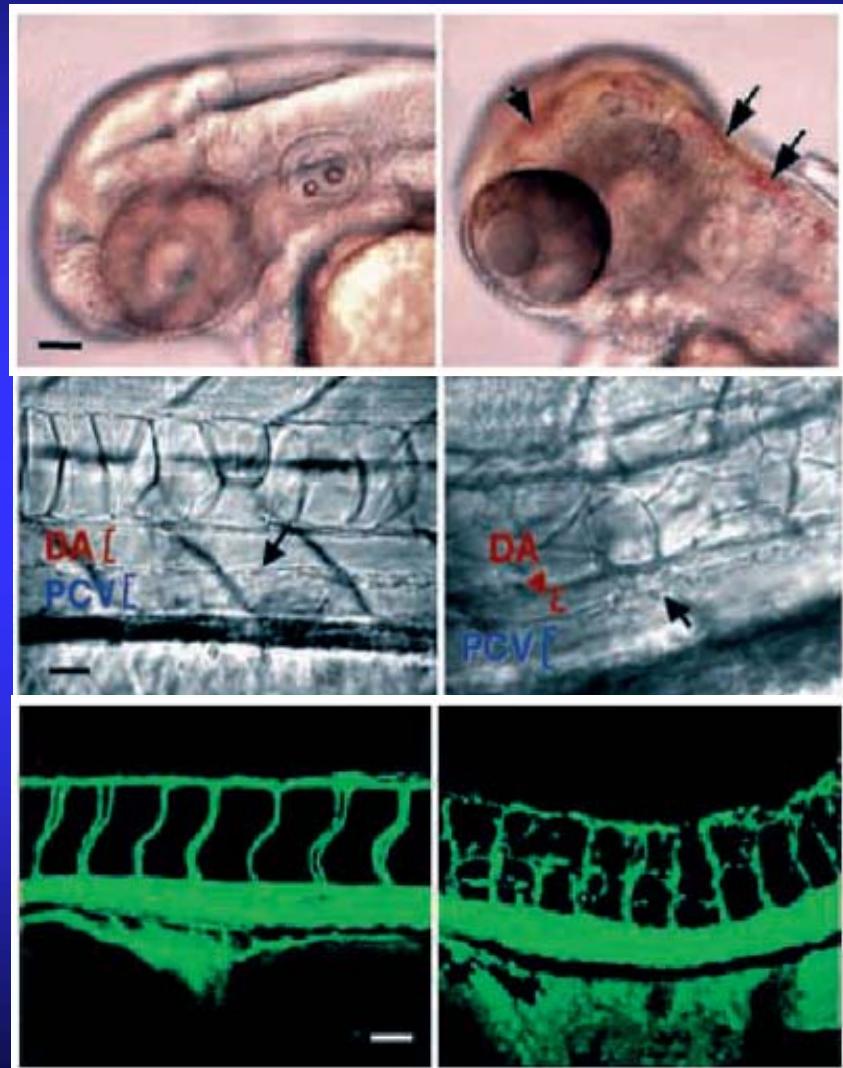
Endothelial precursor cells (EPC)

Human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVEC)

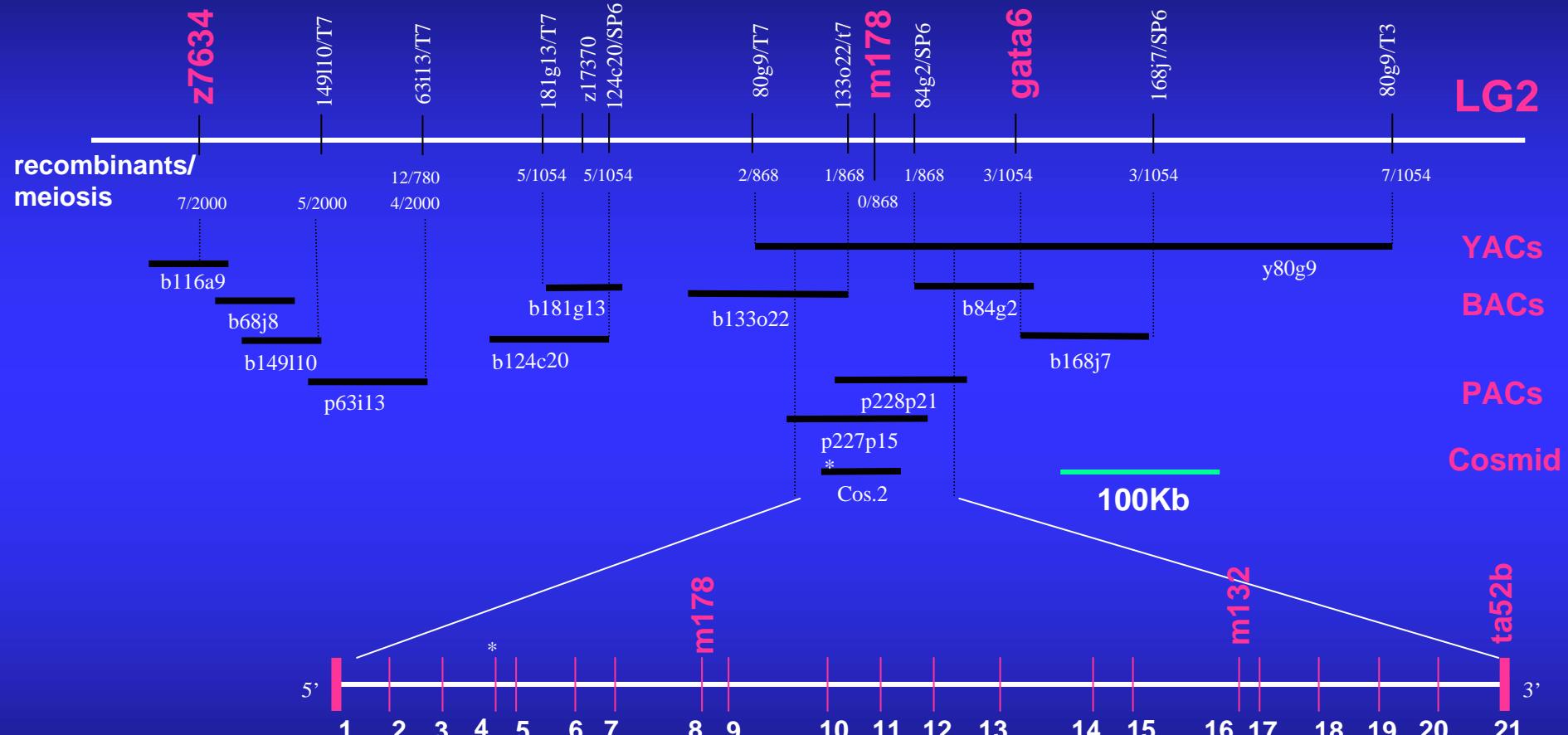
Human microvascular endothelial cells (HMVEC)

Anti-angiogenic peptide?

Vascular Defects in *mind bomb* mutants

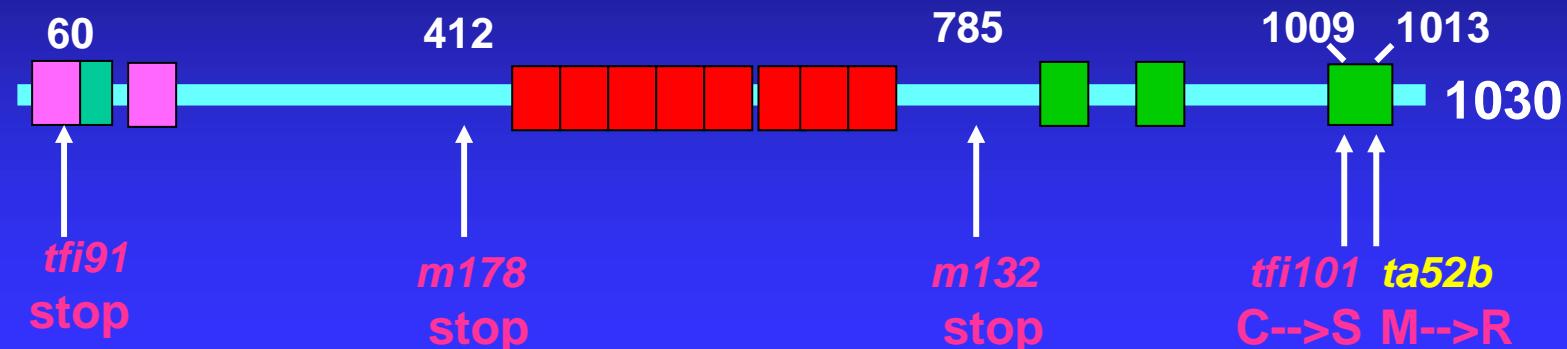


Physical map of *mind bomb* locus



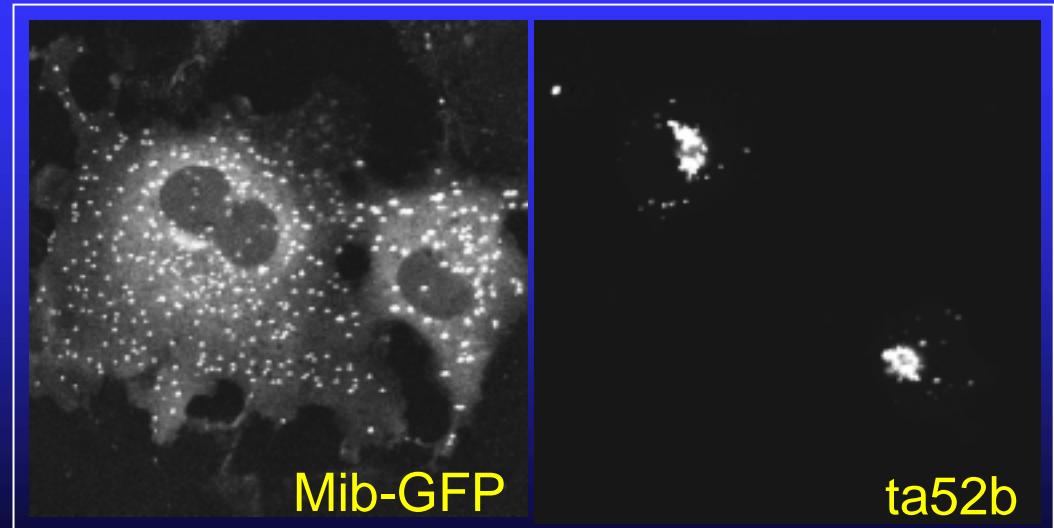
mindbomb (mib) is a novel gene

Mib protein structure and mutations

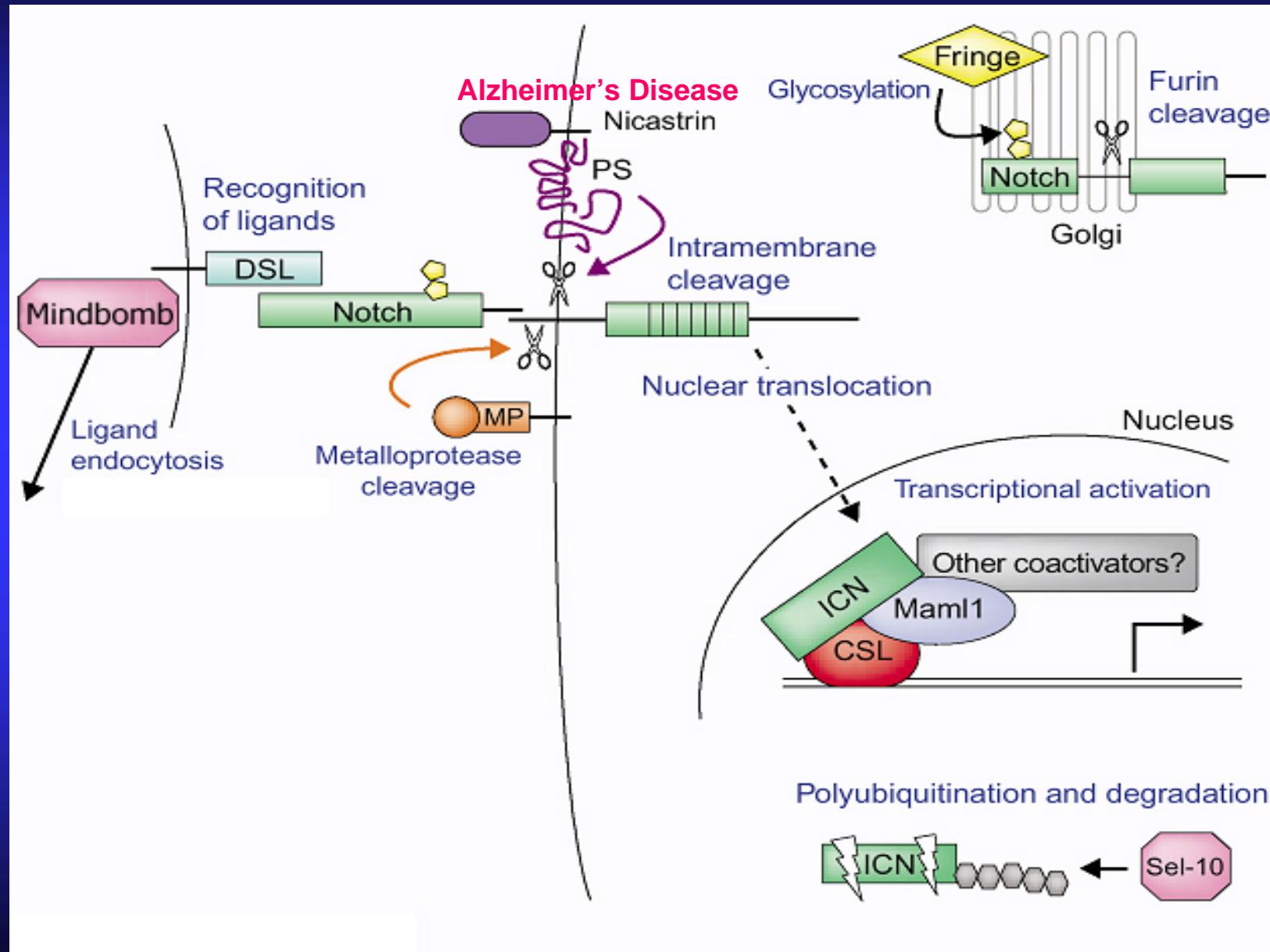


- mib/herc2 domain
- zz zinc finger domain
- ankyrin repeat domain
- RING finger domain

Subcellular localization of proteins



Notch signaling pathway



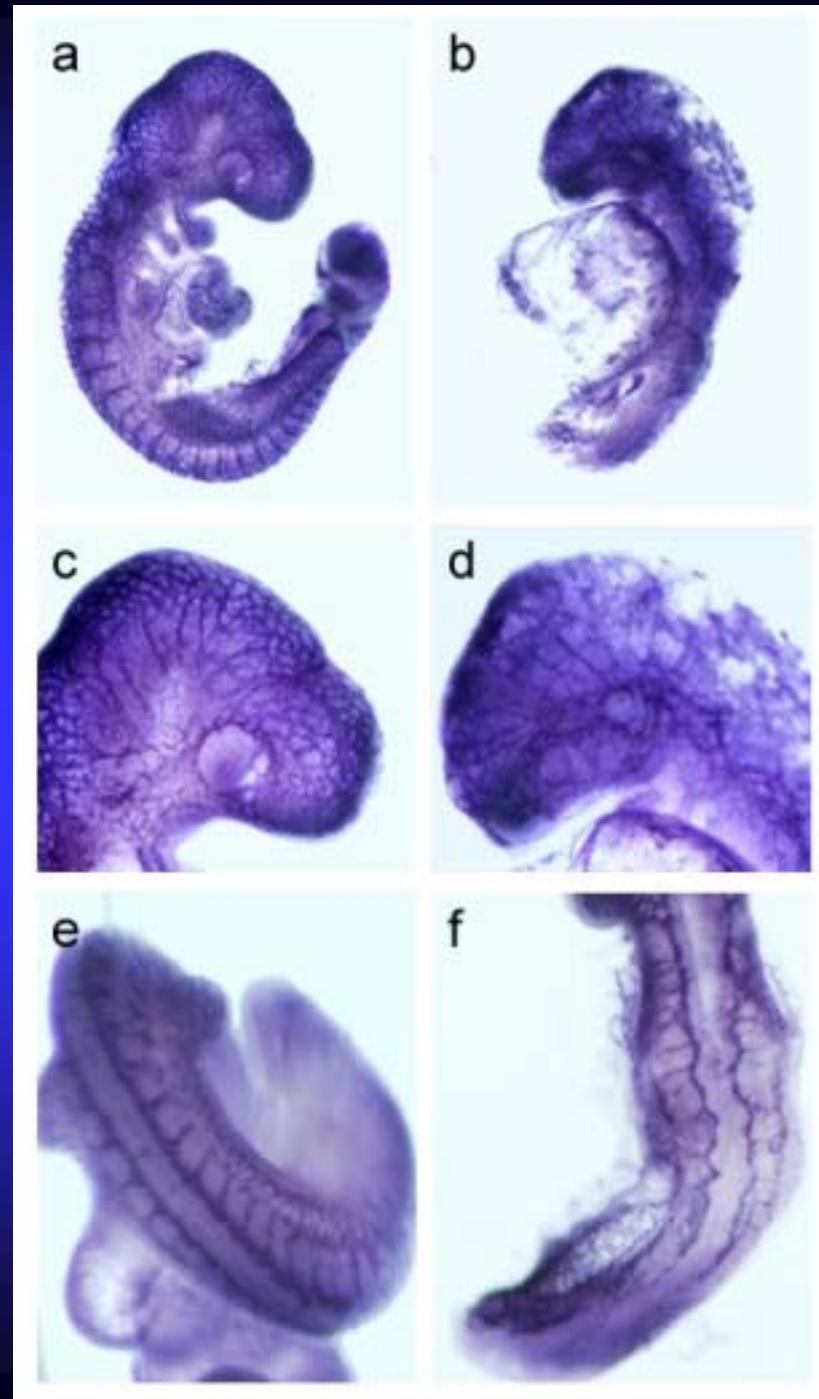
Comparison of Mib proteins between human and zebrafish

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mouse mib.txt	1:MVEGVGARVVRGPDWKWKQDGGEGHVGTVRSFESPEEVVVVWDNGTAANYRCSGAYDLR	60
zebra mib.txt	1:ME-GVGARVIRGPDWKWKQDGGEGHVGTVRSFESPEEVVVVWDNGTAANYRCSGAYDVR	59
human mib.txt	61:ILDSAPTGKHDGTMCDTCRQQPIIGIRWKCAECTNYDLCTCYHGDKHHLRHRFYRITT	120
mouse mib.txt	61:ILDSAPTGKHDGTMCDTCRQQPIIGIRWKCAECTNYDLCTCYHGDKHHLRHRFYRITT	120
zebra mib.txt	60:ILDSAPTGKHDGTMCDTCRQQPIIGIRWKCAECTNYDLCTCYHGDKHHLRHRFYRITT	119
human mib.txt	121:PGSERVLLESRRKSKKITARGIFAGARVVRGVDWQWEDQDGGNGRRGVTEIQDWSASSP	180
mouse mib.txt	121:PGSERVLLESRRKSKKITARGIFAGARVVRGVDWQWEDQDGGNGRRGVTEIQDWSASSP	180
zebra mib.txt	120:PGSERVLLESRRKSKKITARGIFAGGRVVRGVDWQWEDQDGGNGRRGVTEIQDWSAASP	179
human mib.txt	181:HSAAYVLWDNGAKNLYRVGFEGMSDLKCVQDAKGGSFYRDHCPVLGEQNGNRNPGLQIG	240
mouse mib.txt	181:HSAAYVLWDNGAKNLYRVGFEGMSDLKCVQDAKGGSFYRDHCPVLGEQNGNRNPGLQIG	240
zebra mib.txt	180:HSAAYVLWDNGAKNLYRVGFEGMSDLKCVQDAKGTFYRDHCPVLGEQNGNRNPGLQIG	239
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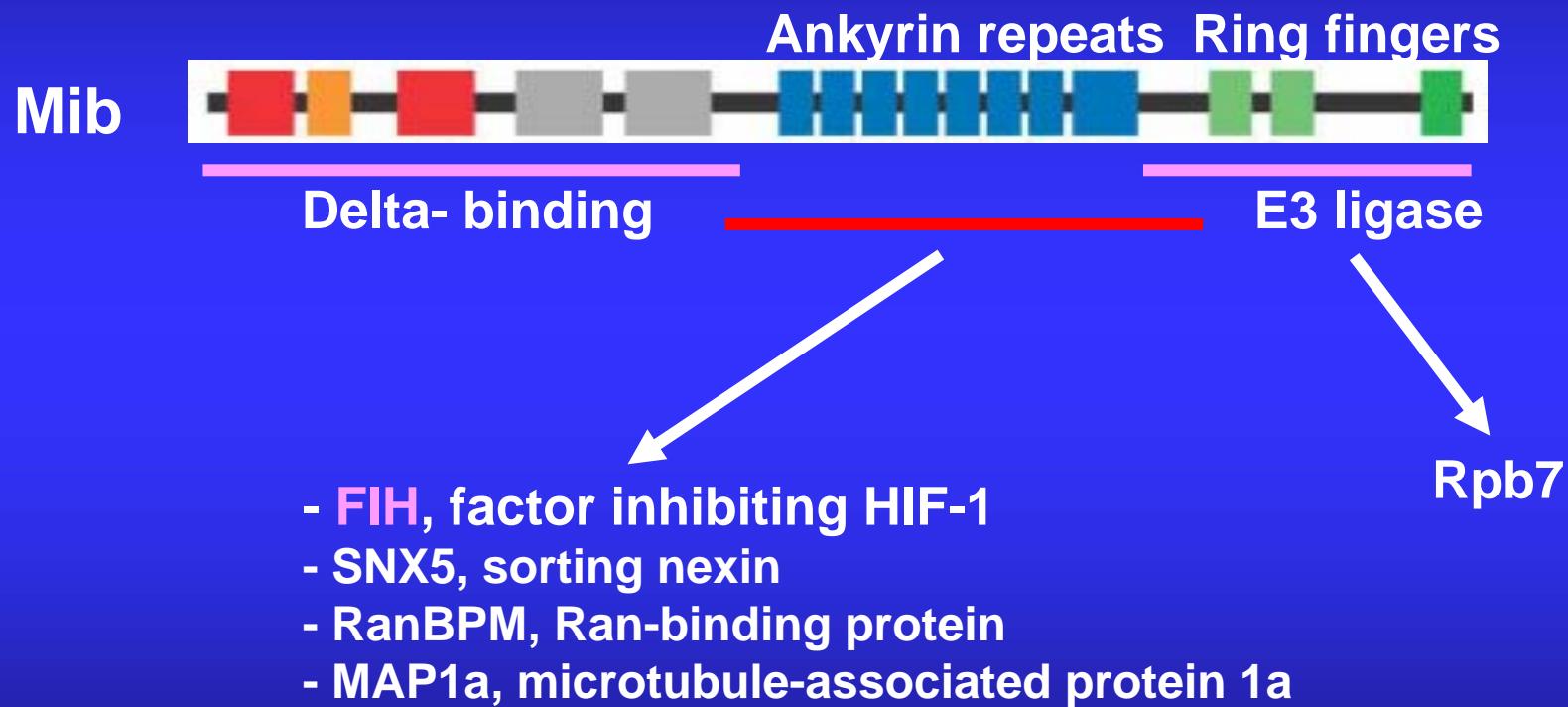
Vascular defects in *mib* KO mouse

Dr. Young-Yun Kong
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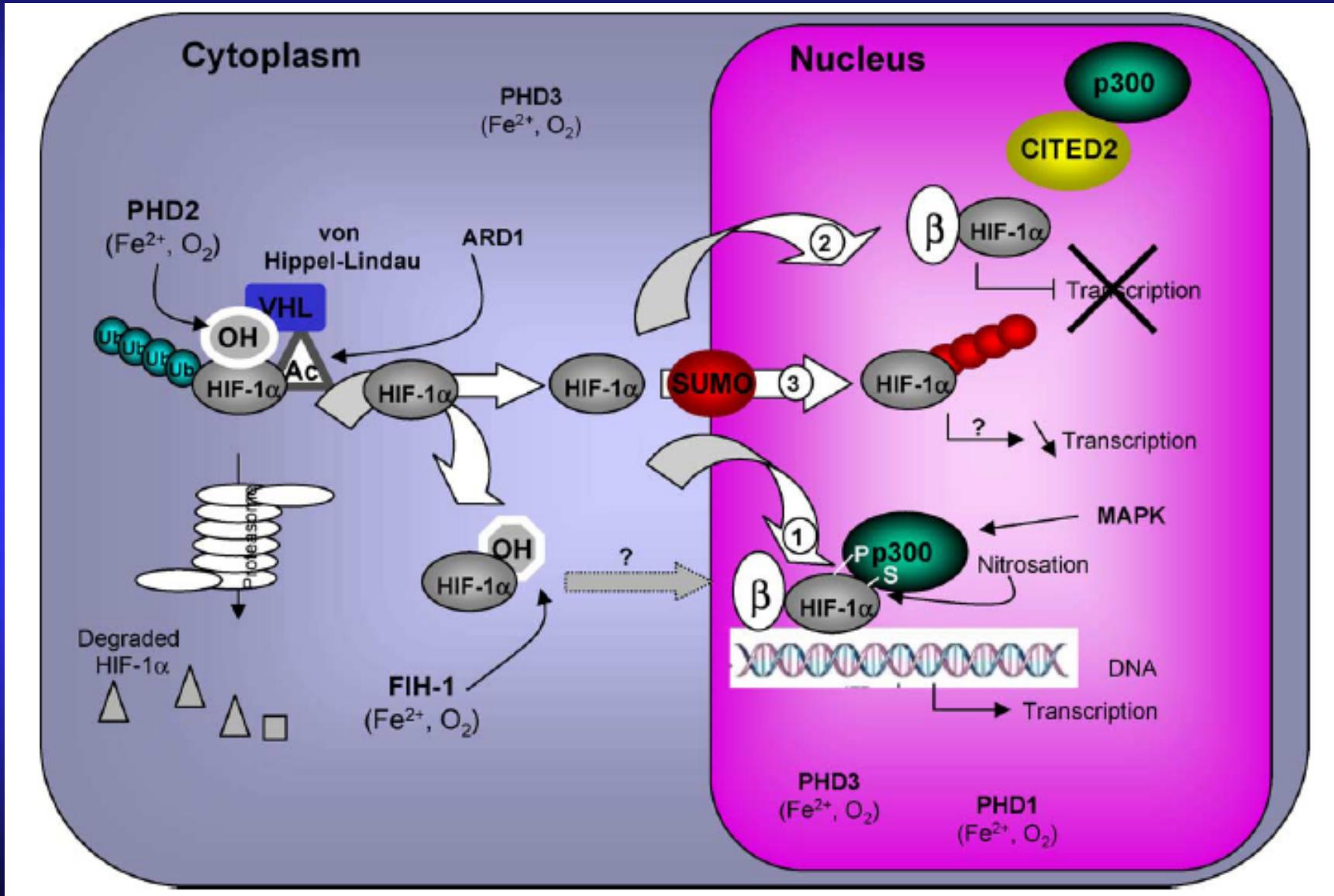
Flk1 immunostaining at E9.5



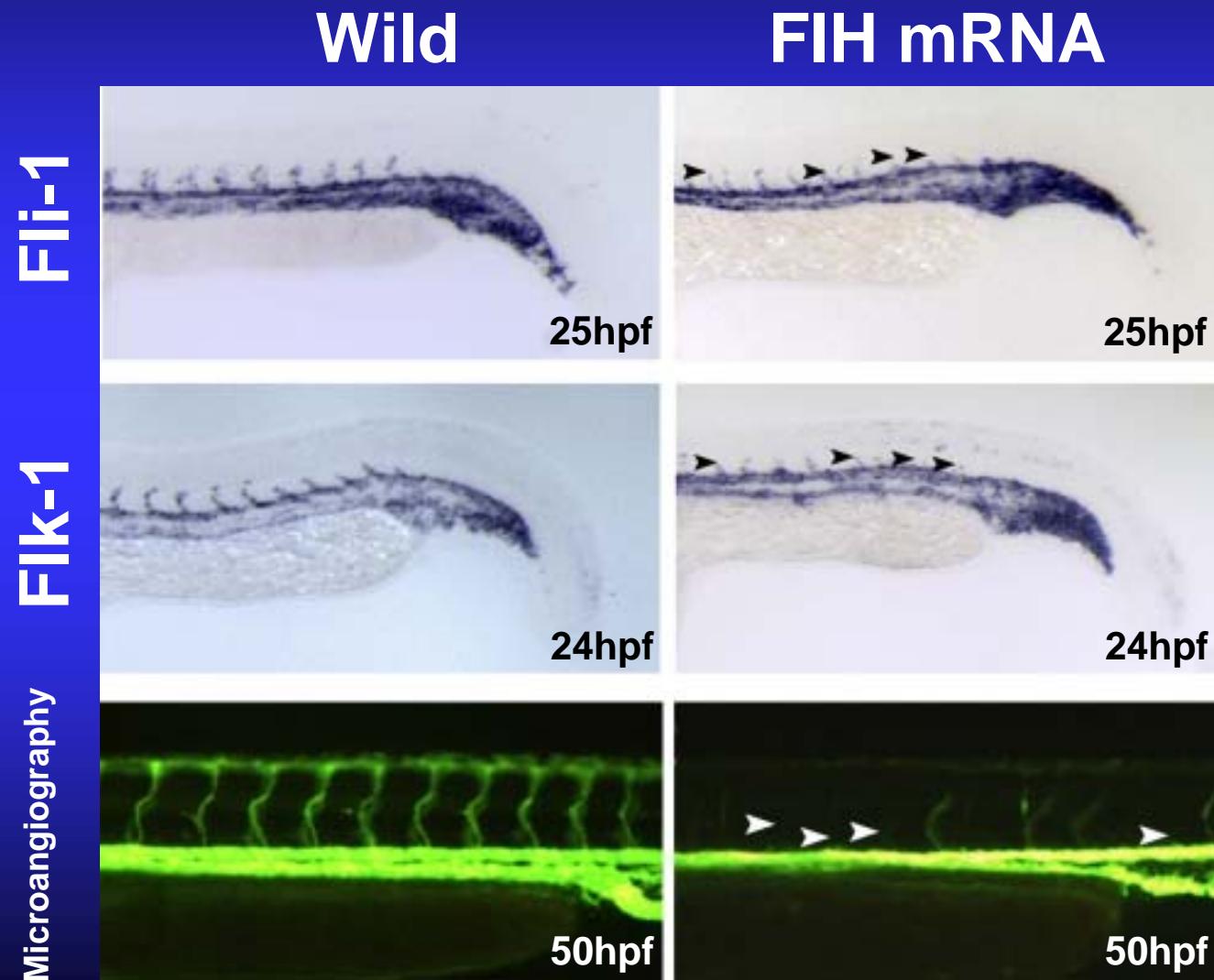
Screening of Mib-binding proteins



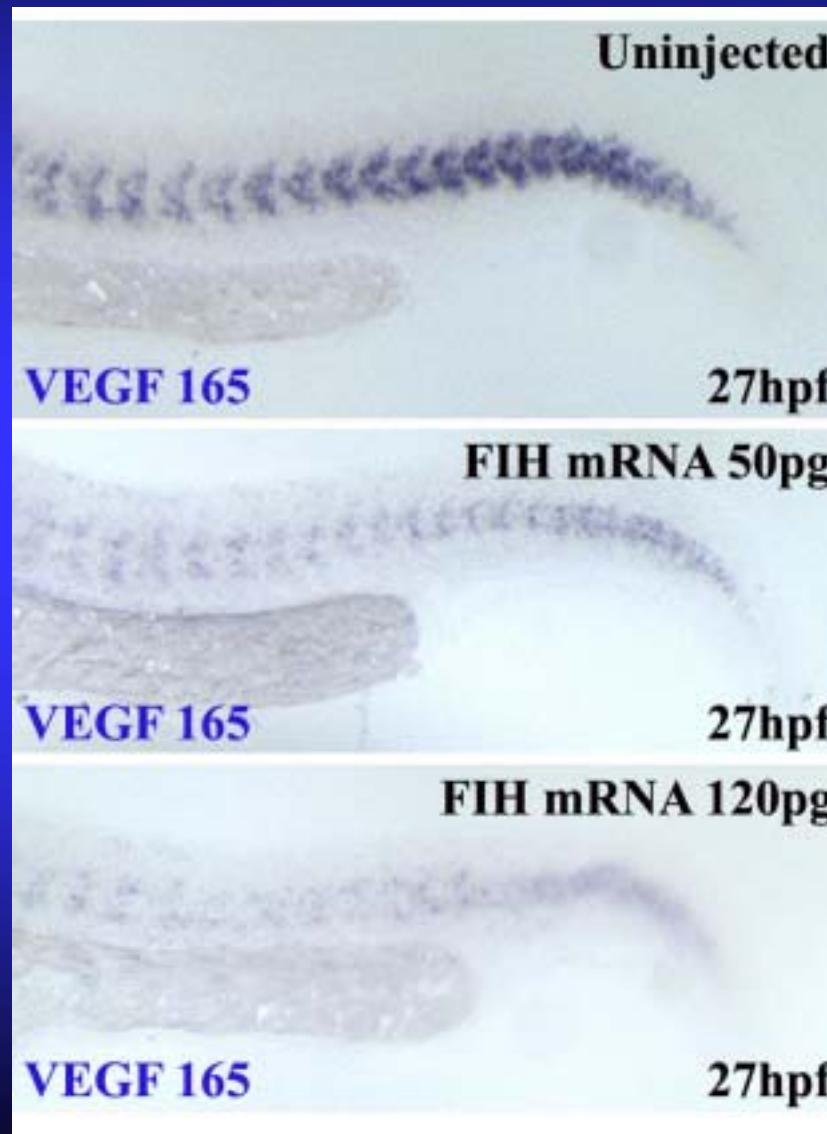
FIH, an Asparaginyl Hydroxylase of HIF-1



FIH inhibits angiogenesis

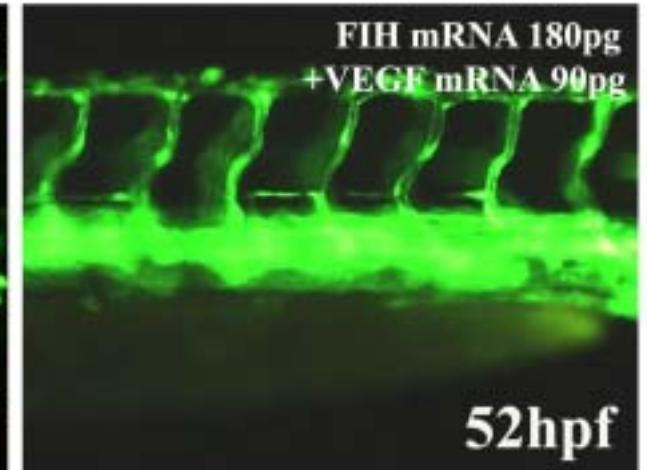
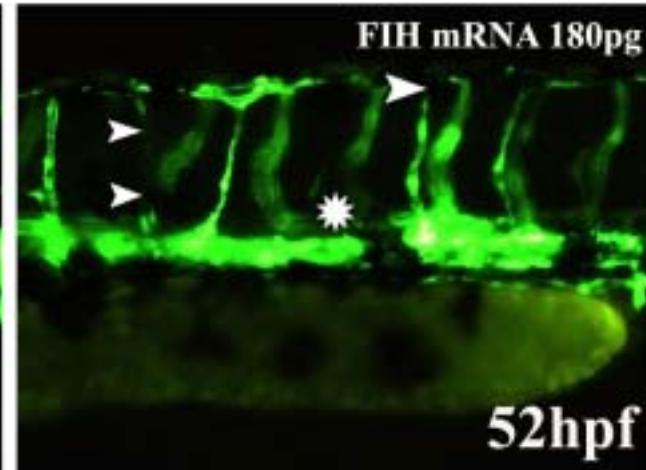
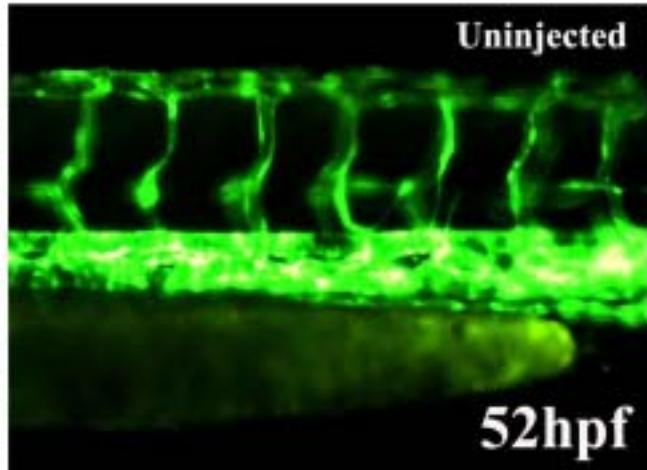


FIH inhibits VEGF expression

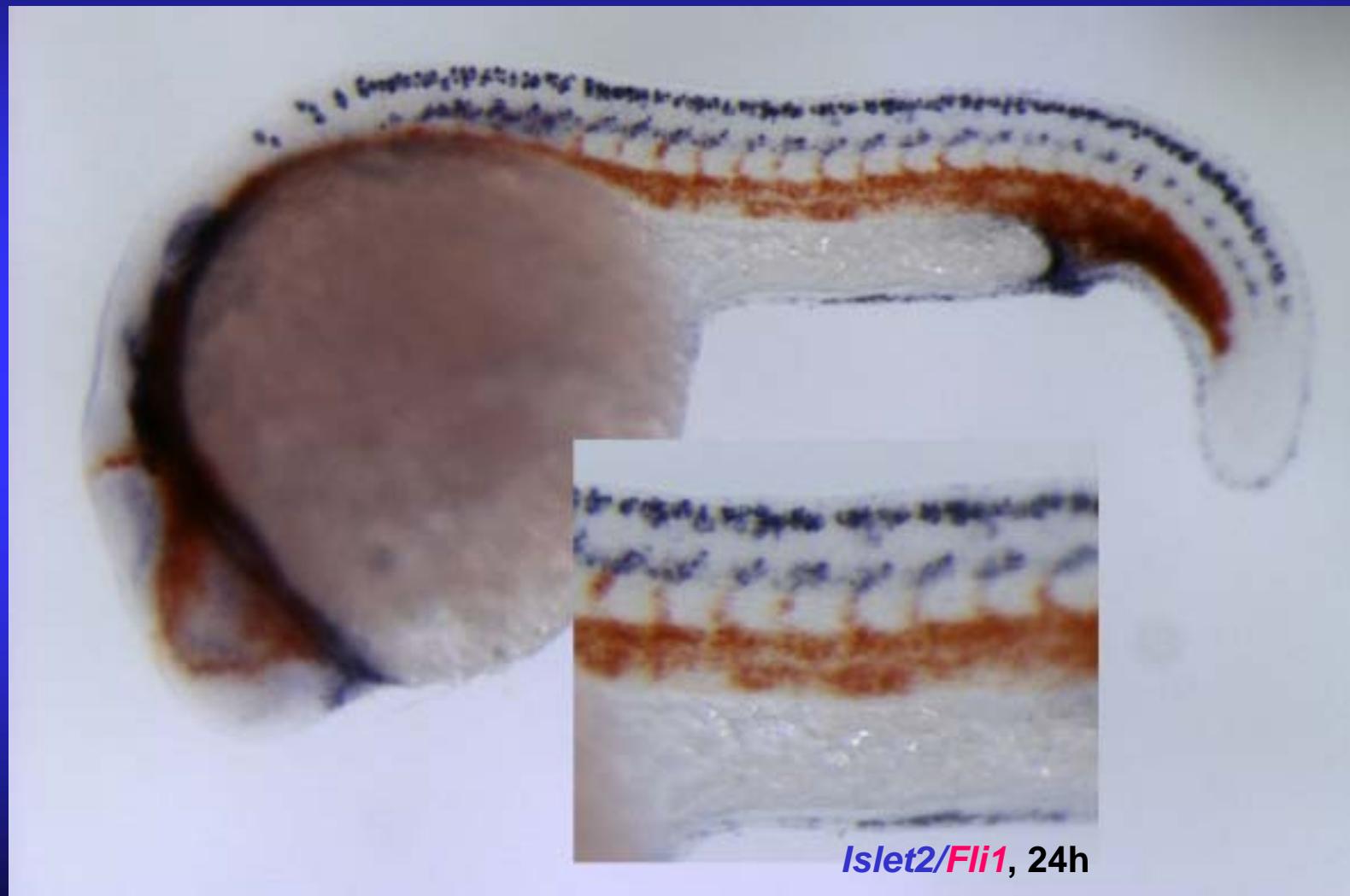


VEGF rescue angiogenesis in FIH-injected embryos

Flk-1 : GFP



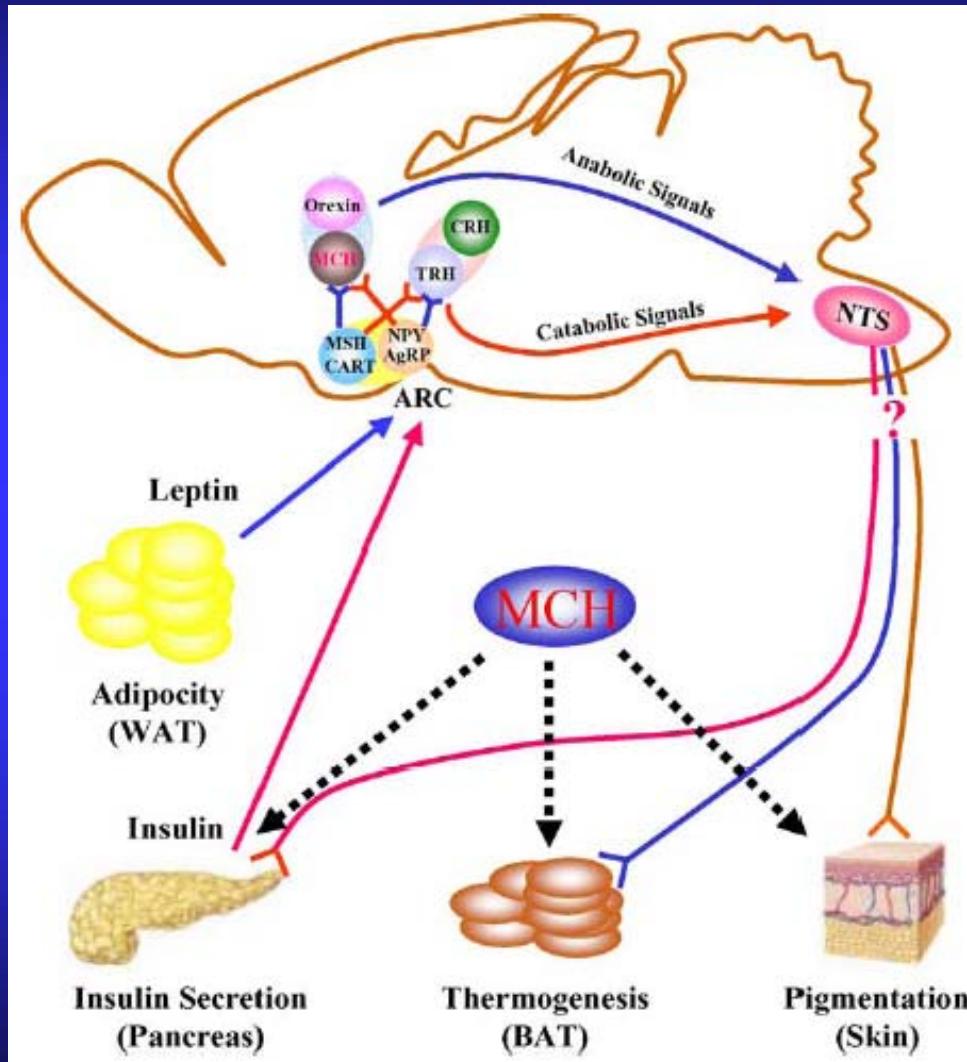
Future study:
Interactions between neural and vessel cells



MCH as a new transgene reporter in zebrafish (Melanin-concentrating Hormone)

Skin color
Obesity
Energy homeostasis
Behavior & Emotion

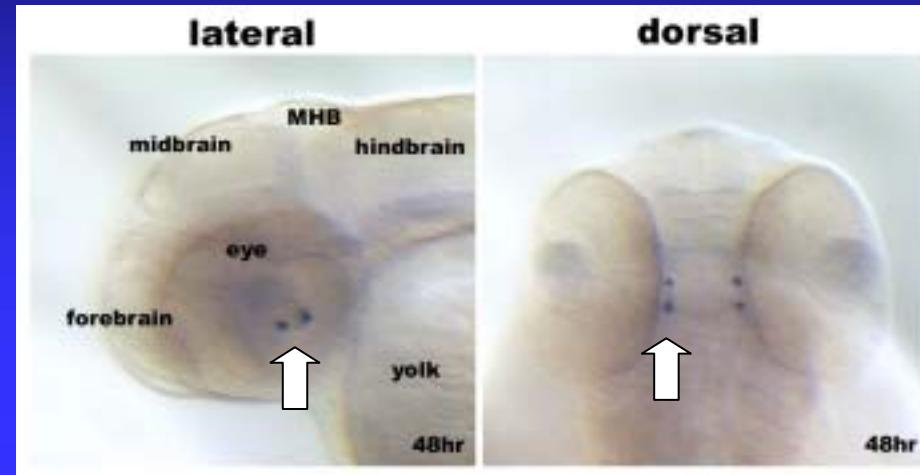
MCH circuitry in the brain and its regulation of peripheral physiology



Peptides, 2004

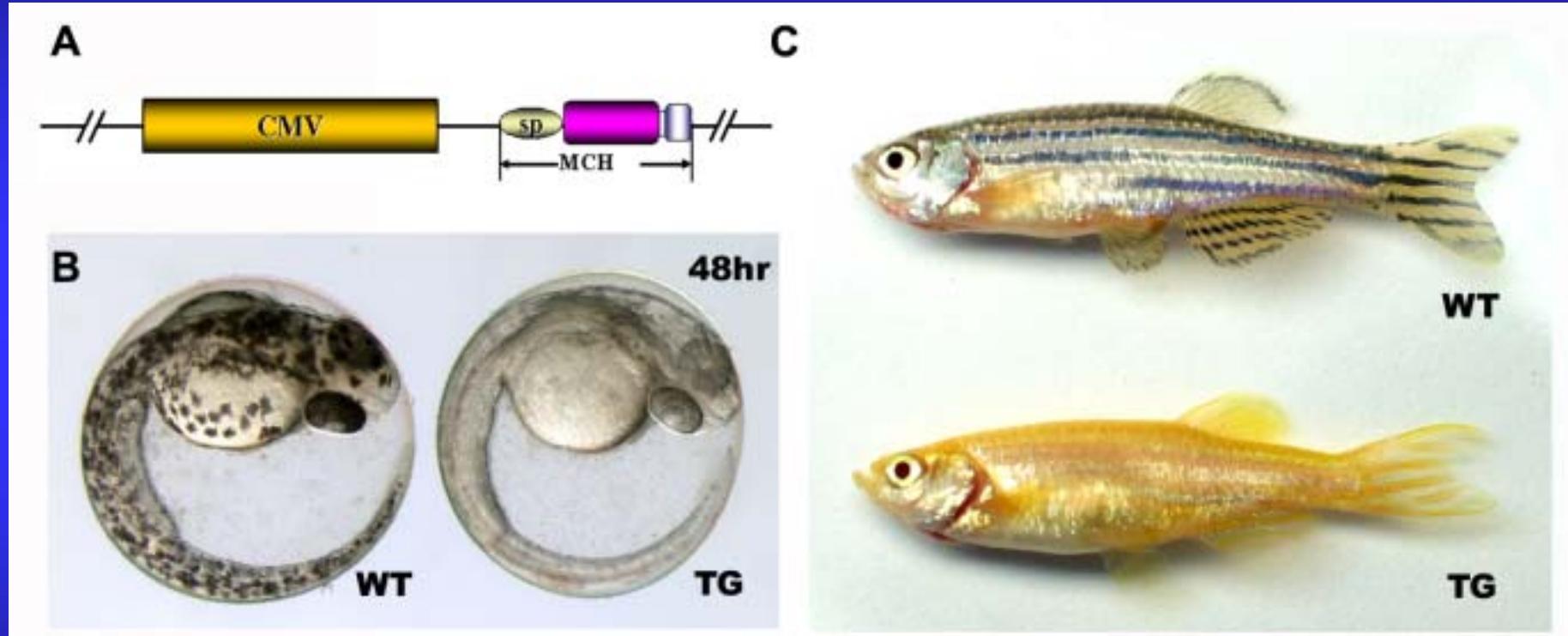
ARC; arcuate nucleus, α -MSH; α -melanocyte-stimulating hormone, CRF; corticotropin-releasing factor, CART; cocaine and amphetamine-related transcript, NPY; neuropeptide Y, NTS; nucleus of the solitary tract, TRH; thyroid-releasing hormone, AgRP; agouti-related protein

MCH-positive neurons in ventral hypothalamus



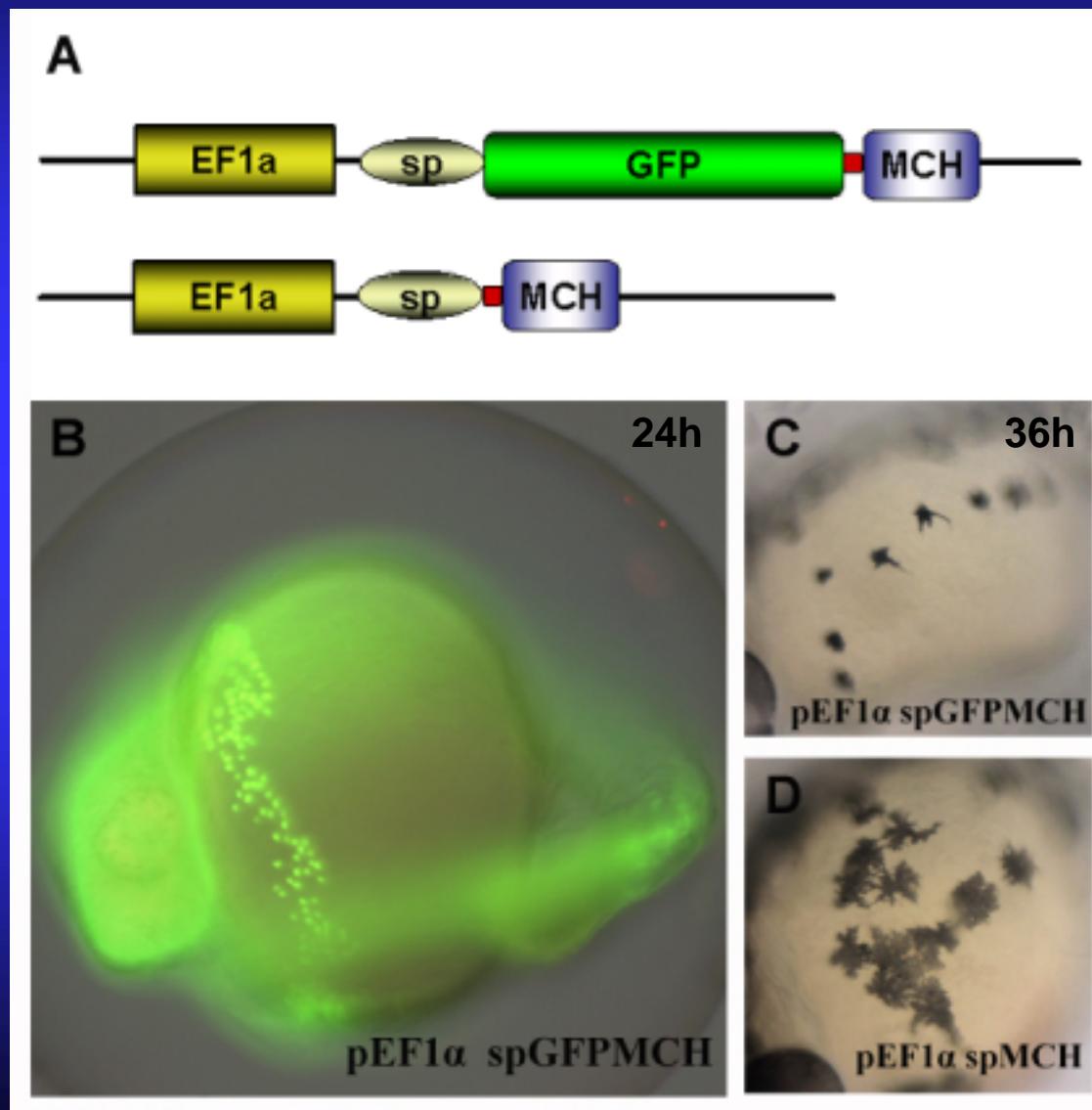
TH, tyrosine hydroxylase

MCH transgenic zebrafish

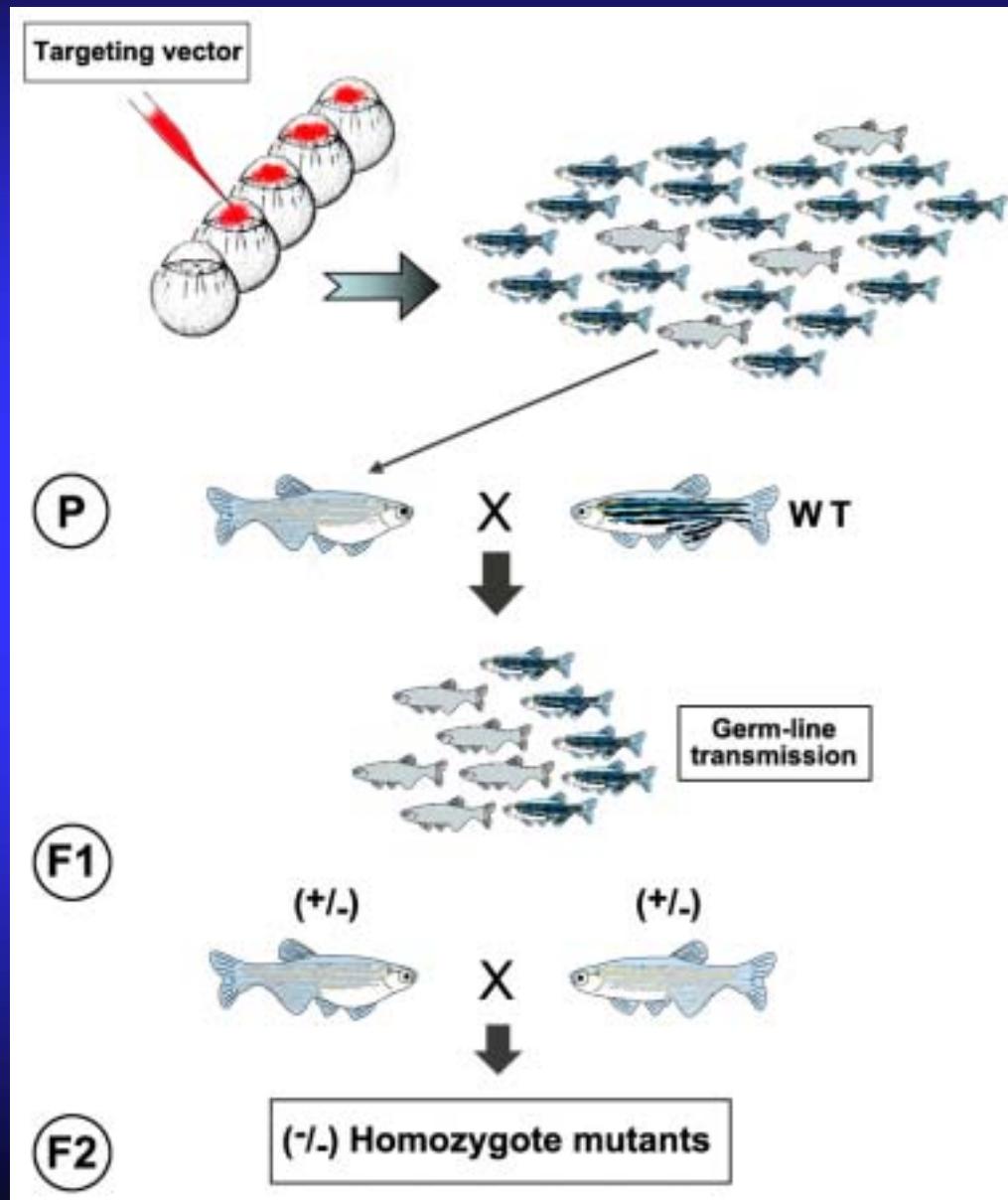


1. Transgene reporter in insertional mutagenesis
2. Biosensor for environmental pollutions
3. Screening of MCH antagonists (obesity)

Expression and activity of spGFP-MCH



Transposon-based mutagenesis



Thank you

