



**«Les multiples stratégies d'une bactérie  
pour infecter et persister dans son hôte »**

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## **Infectious diseases are a major health problem**

They are responsible for 15 millions deaths per year (26% of annual deaths worldwide):

- Respiratory diseases : 3.9 millions
- HIV : 2.9 millions
- Diarrheal diseases : 2 millions
- Tuberculosis : 1.6 millions
- Malaria : 1.1 millions

## **Some cancers are associated with an infectious agent**

15 to 20 % of cancers are caused by an infectious agent (a virus or a bacterium)

- gastric cancer by *Helicobacter pylori*
- liver cancer by hepatitis B virus
- cervic cancer by papilloma virus

# Emergence and re-emergence of infectious diseases

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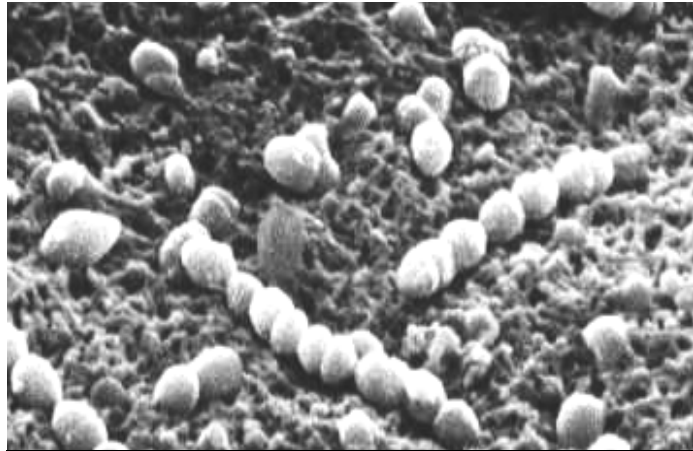
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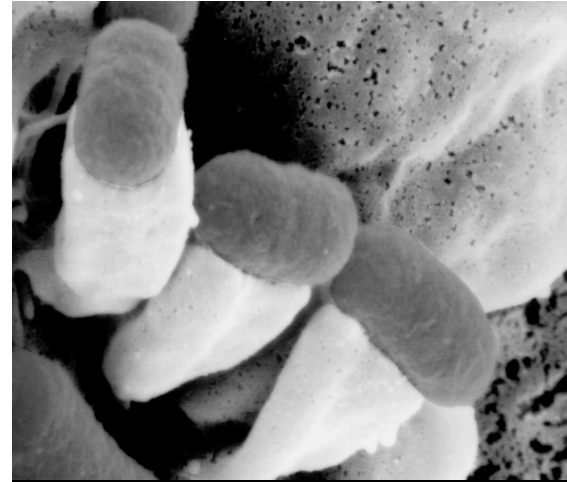
## Urgent need for new therapeutics

**A full understanding of infectious processes  
is an absolute prerequisite  
for the design and generation of new anti-infection drugs**

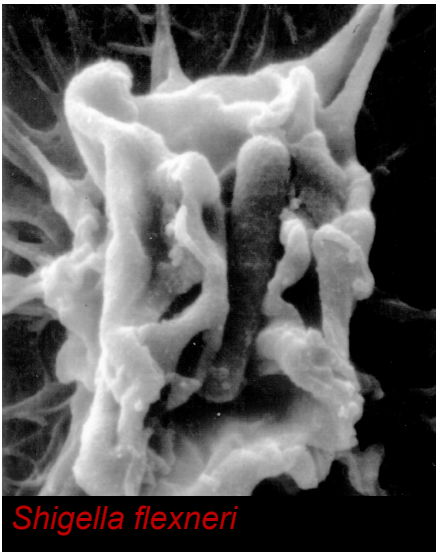
# Extracellular and intracellular pathogens



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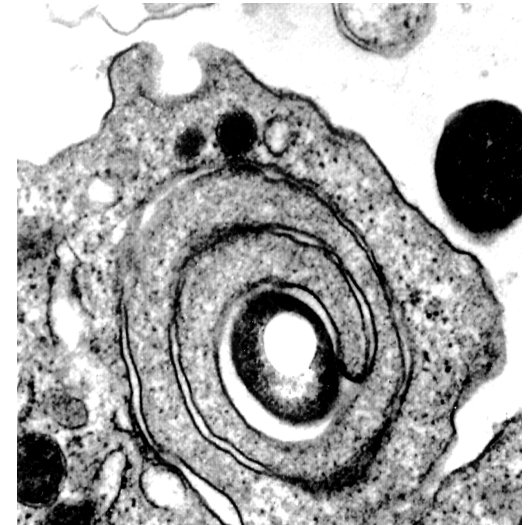
*Enteropathogenic E. coli (EPEC)*



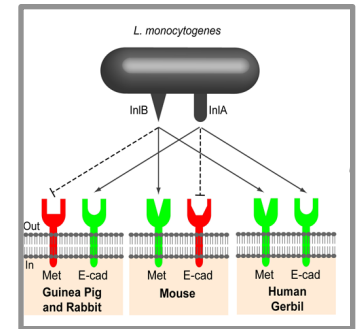
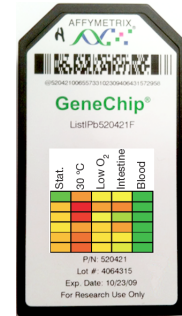
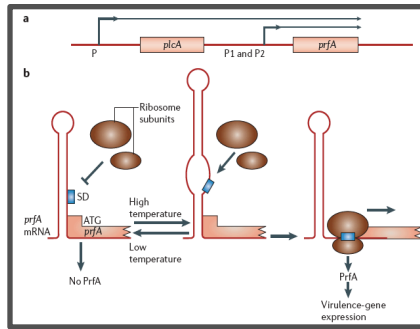
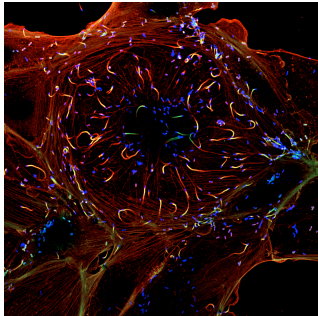
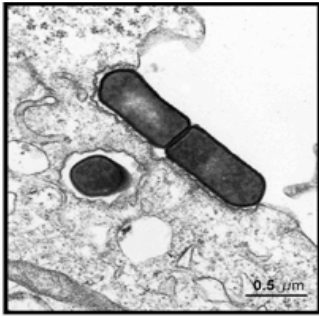
*Shigella flexneri*



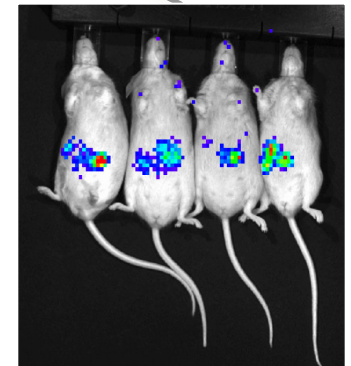
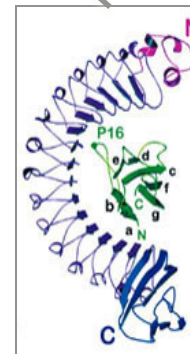
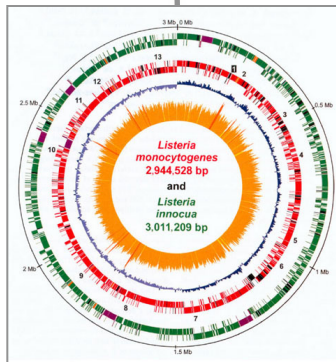
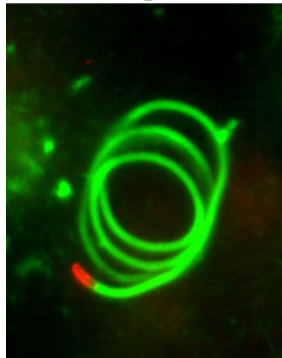
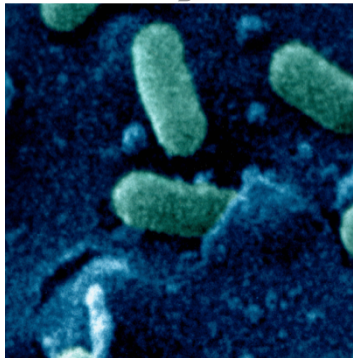
*Listeria monocytogenes*



*Legionella pneumophila*



*Listeria monocytogenes*  
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- Genetic approaches coupled to cell biology and molecular biology  
 « Cellular Microbiology »\*
- Post-genomic approaches
- Hypothesis-driven approaches

### Cellular Microbiology Emerging

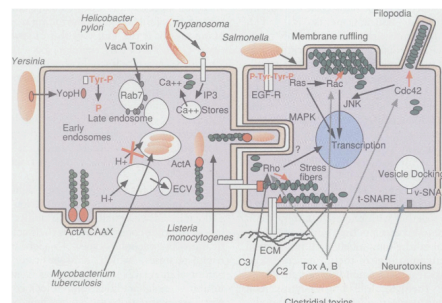
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A new discipline, cellular microbiology, is emerging at the interface between cell biology and microbiology. Traditional cell biological approaches are already widely used to unravel the tactics microbes utilize to infect their hosts, but the use of pathogens to tackle questions in cell biology is just now yielding promising approaches and elegant results. Two meetings, in 1989 and 1991 (1), laid the groundwork for the field, and a third meeting in 1995 highlighted recent progress (2).

A major focus of this new field is the actin network, which together with intermediate filaments and microtubules constitute the cytoskeleton. The rapid assembly and disassembly of actin microfilaments is essential for phagocytosis, motility, cell division, and adhesion to a substratum or to another cell. Yet, the signaling pathways that control actin dynamics are poorly understood. Bacteria that can be genetically manipulated and parasites can provide tools to dissect these control pathways. When cer-

tain bacteria, such as *Salmonella* and *Shigella*, infect cells, they mimic the action of epidermal growth factor (EGF), inducing membrane ruffling and active actin polymerization (3-5) (see figure). The ruffling leads to internalization of the bacteria.

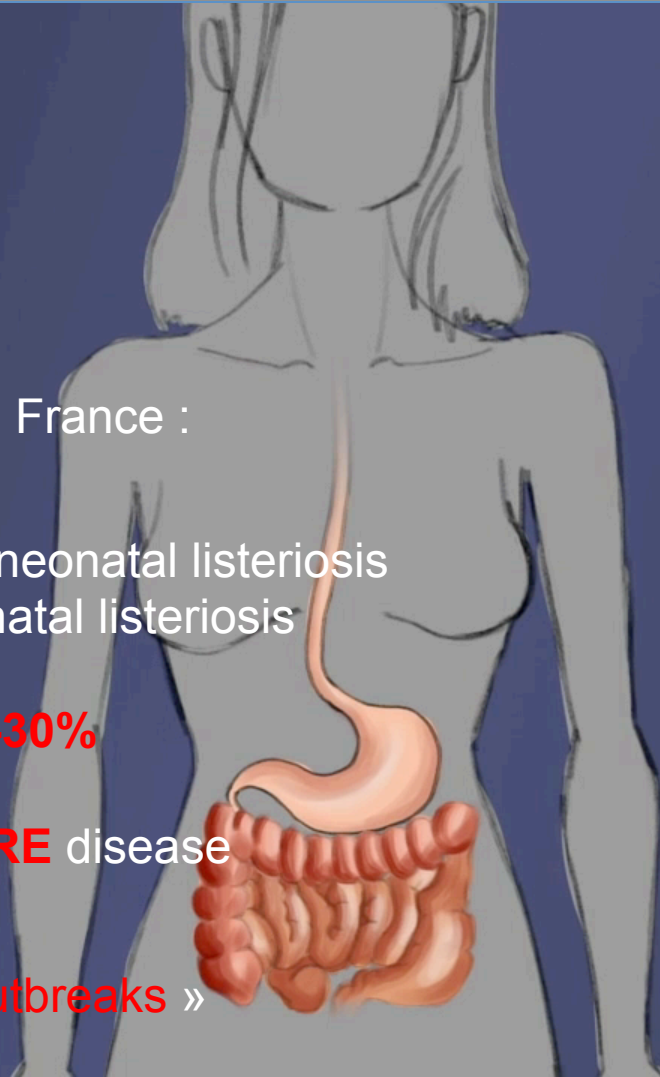
The internalization of other pathogens occurs without membrane ruffling or even actin polymerization. The parasite *Trypanosoma cruzi* enters cells by triggering a combination of events—a transient increase in cytosolic free calcium, rapid rearrangement of the cortical actin cytoskeleton, and lysosome recruitment and clustering at the invasion site (6, 7). Lysosomes contribute membrane for the formation of the parasitophorous vacuole. Disruption of cortical actin by the increase in local calcium allows lysosomes to migrate and fuse, a phenomenon also regulated by calcium. Phospholipase C



Pathogenic bacteria interfere with numerous eukaryotic cell functions, providing a sophisticated tool kit for cell biologists.

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# Listeriosis



- Number of cases in France :  
**350 cases / year**  
85% non maternal-neonatal listeriosis  
15% maternal-neonatal listeriosis
- **Mortality rate : 20-30%**
- a **RARE** but **SEVERE** disease
- Occurrence of « **outbreaks** »



# Listeria 2018 important outbreak in South Africa

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### South Africa's processed meats blamed in Listeria outbreak

BY DAN FLYNN | MARCH 5, 2018

You might say the source of South Africa's deadly Listeria outbreak was hiding in plain sight, but it took the deaths of 180 people before the Health Minister could collect enough evidence to name the culprits.

A cold, processed meat product made by South Africa's biggest producer of consumer foods is the cause of the ongoing outbreak, which has a stunning 27 percent fatality rate.



Dr. Aaron Motsoaledi, South Africa's Minister of Health, on Sunday announced the source of the outbreak was two unrelated brands of "polony" manufactured by the Tiger Brands unit of Enterprise Foods and Rainbow Chicken Limited (RCL).

The minister said the Enterprise and RCL polony products are being recalled, and he went further.

"We advise members of the public to avoid all processed meat products that are sold as ready-to-eat," Motsoaledi said.

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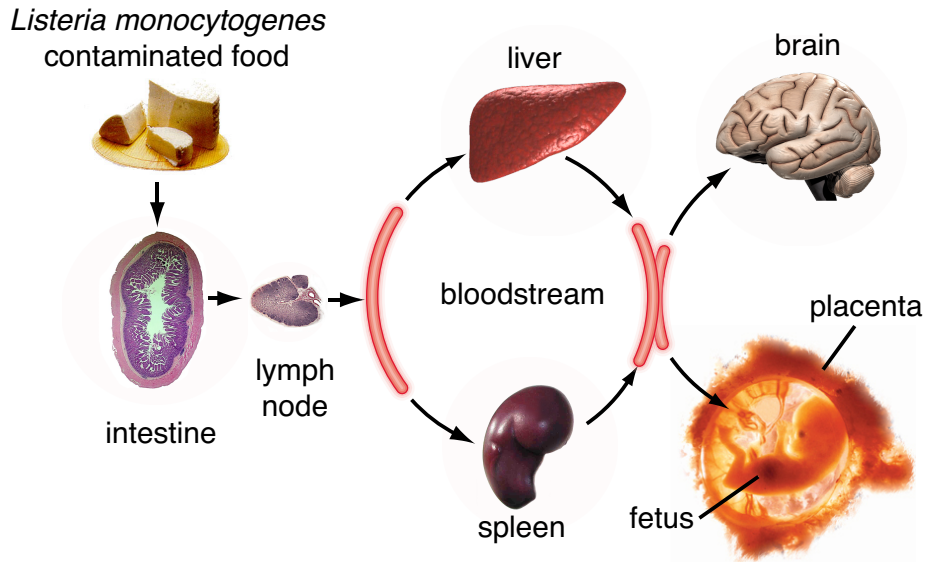


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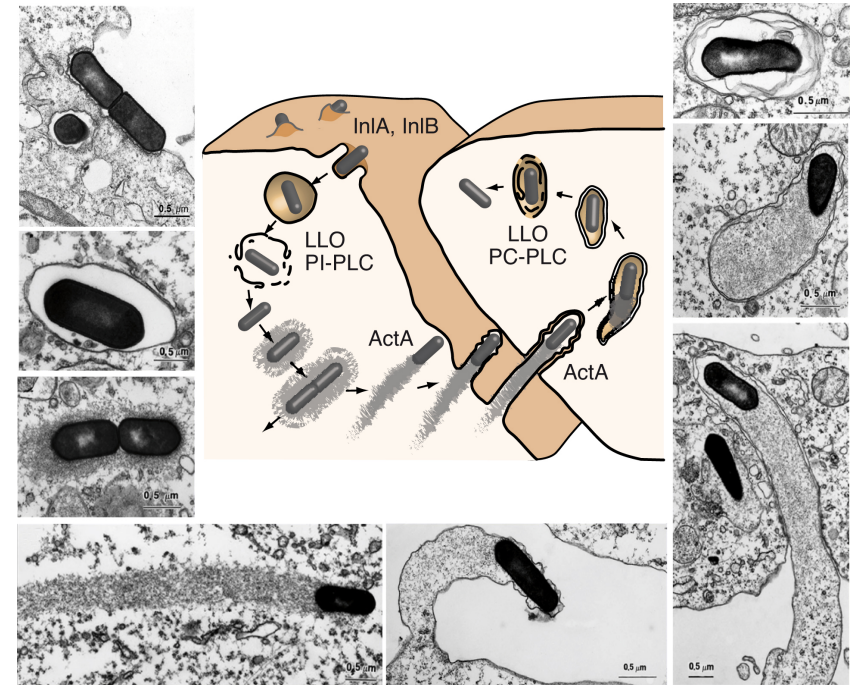
- Consumer complaints spur recall of canned chicken nationwide
- Canada's Salmonella investigation sparks chicken nugget recall
- Illnesses prompt testing, recall of deli roast beef in Canada
- Blue Ridge Beef recalls more raw pet food for bacteria

# The *Listeria* infection process

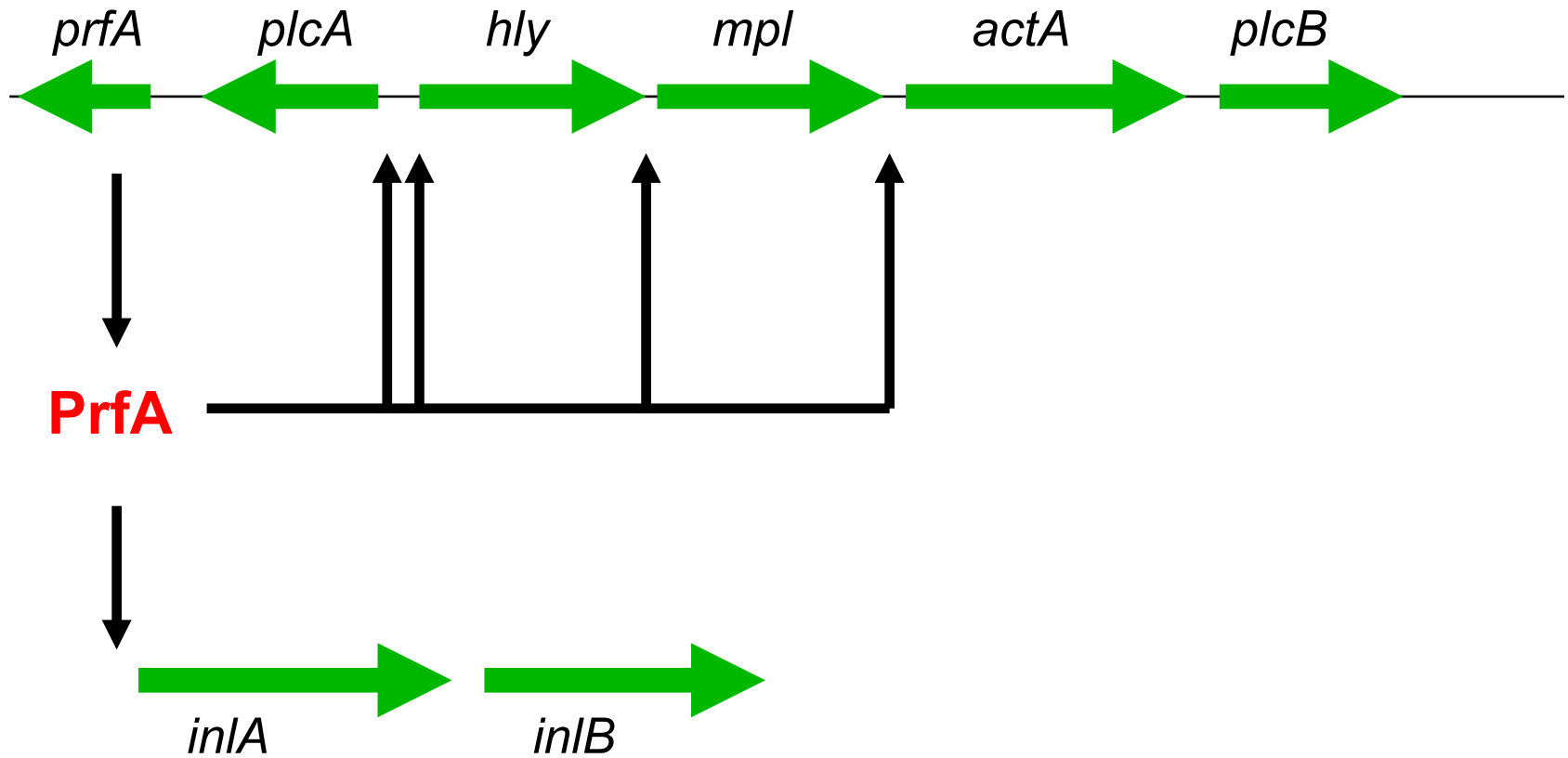
## Successive steps of human listeriosis



## Cell infectious process

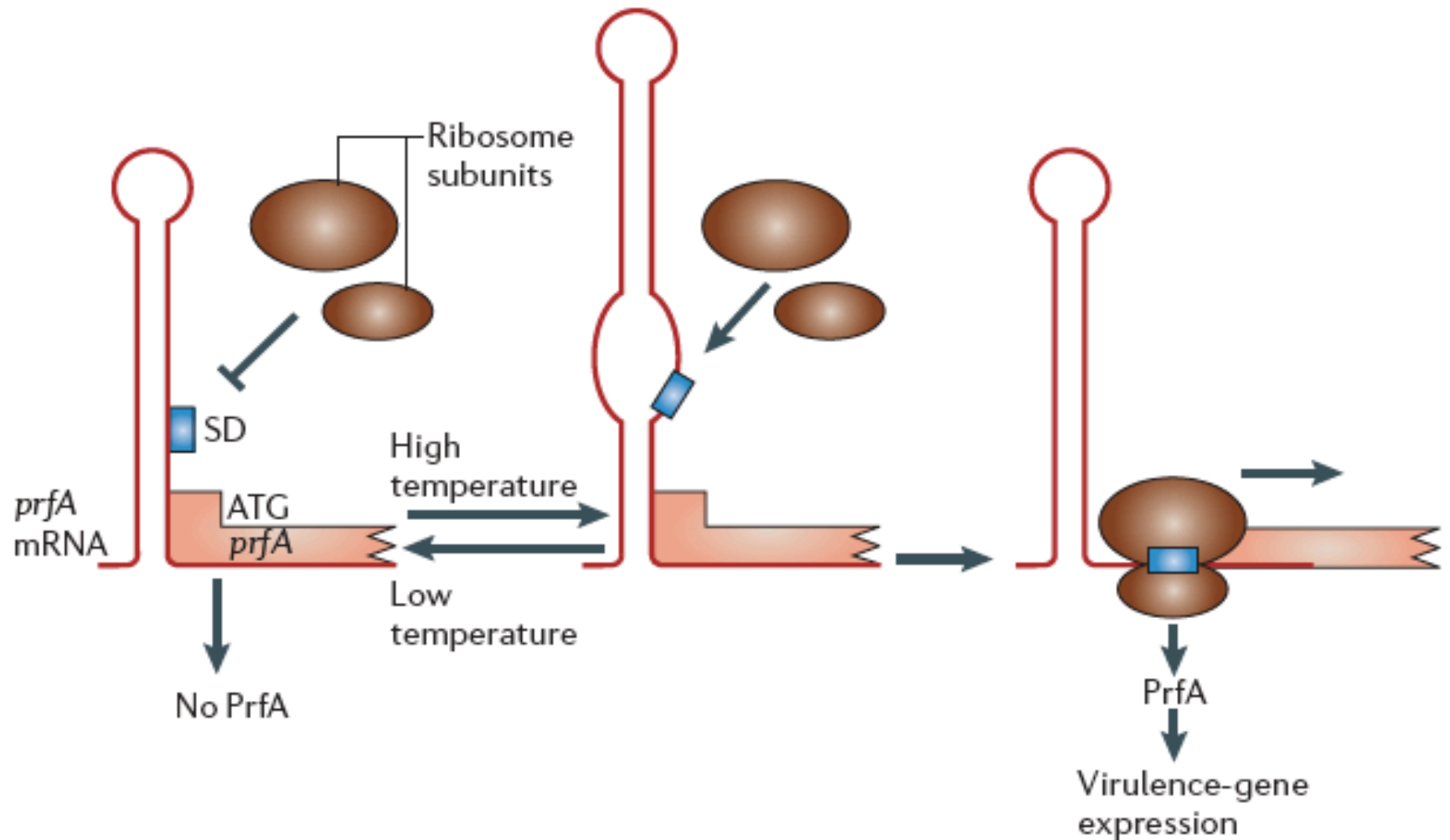


# The *Listeria monocytogenes* virulence gene regulon



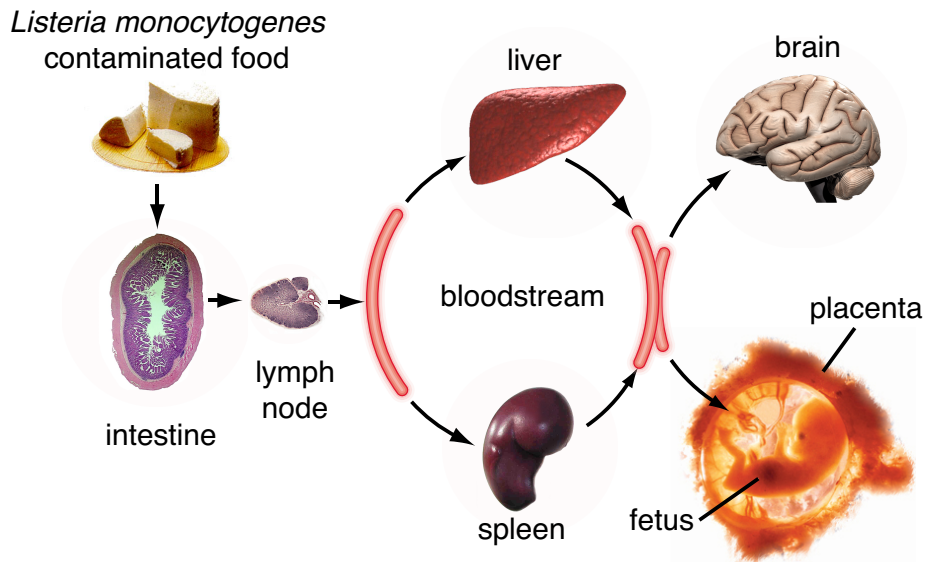
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# Thermoregulated expression of PrfA

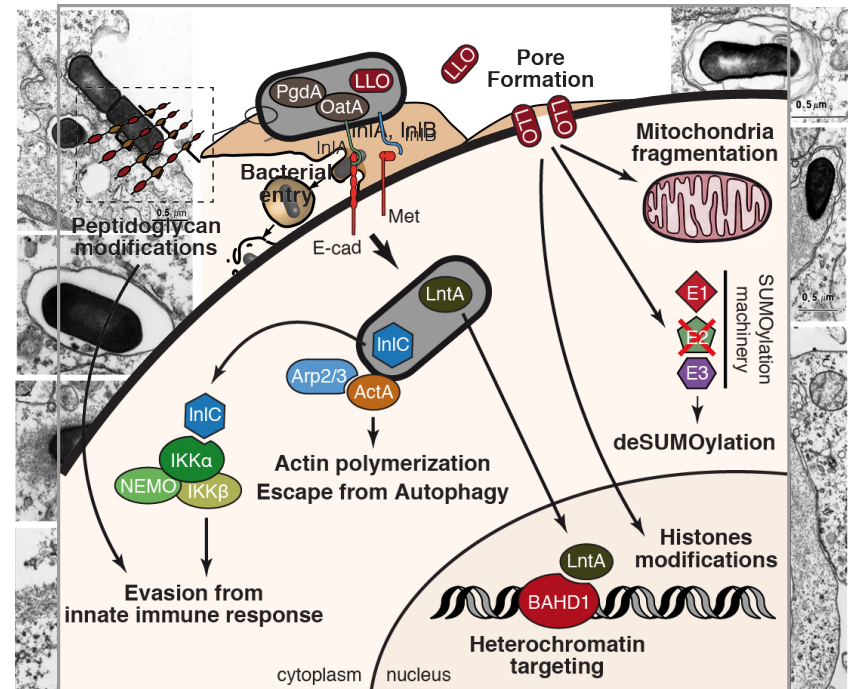


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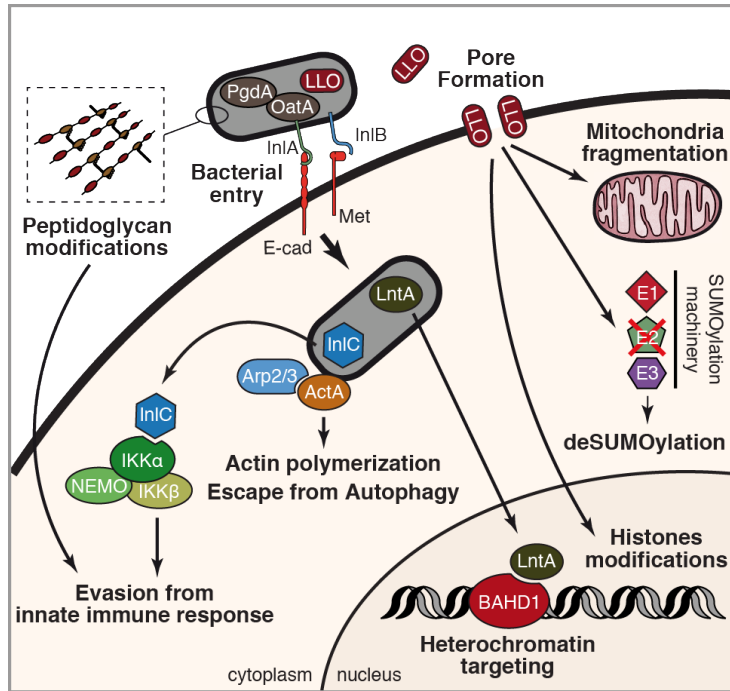


## *Listeria monocytogenes* process biologist



# *Listeria monocytogenes*: a model invasive pathogen

## *Listeria monocytogenes* : a cell biologist

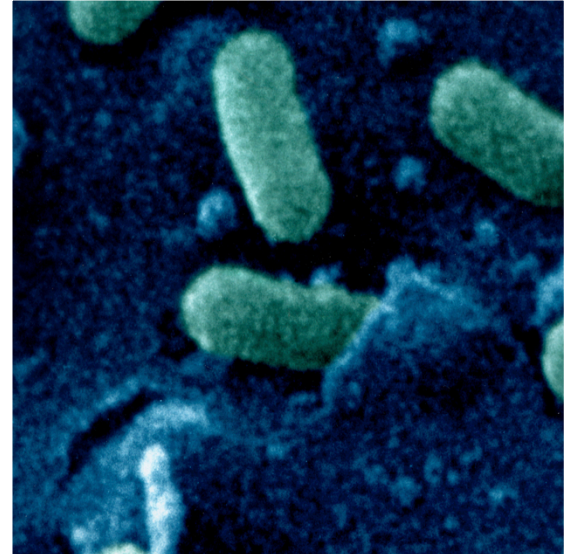


# *Listeria monocytogenes*: entry into cells

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## Entry of *L. monocytogenes* into Cells Is Mediated by Internalin, a Repeat Protein Reminiscent of Surface Antigens from Gram-Positive Cocci

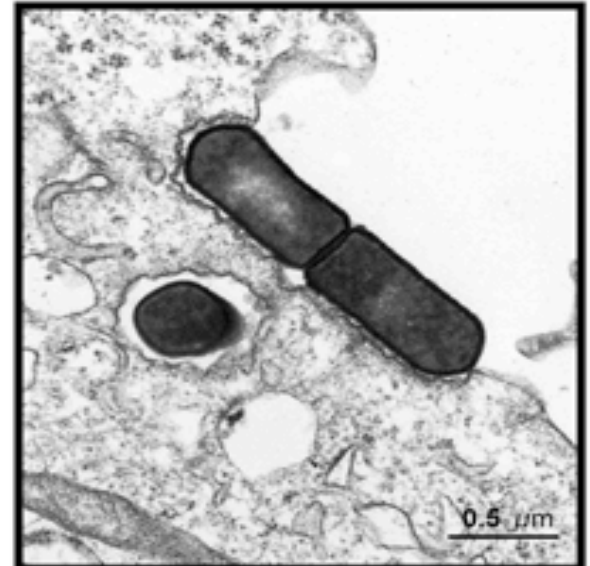
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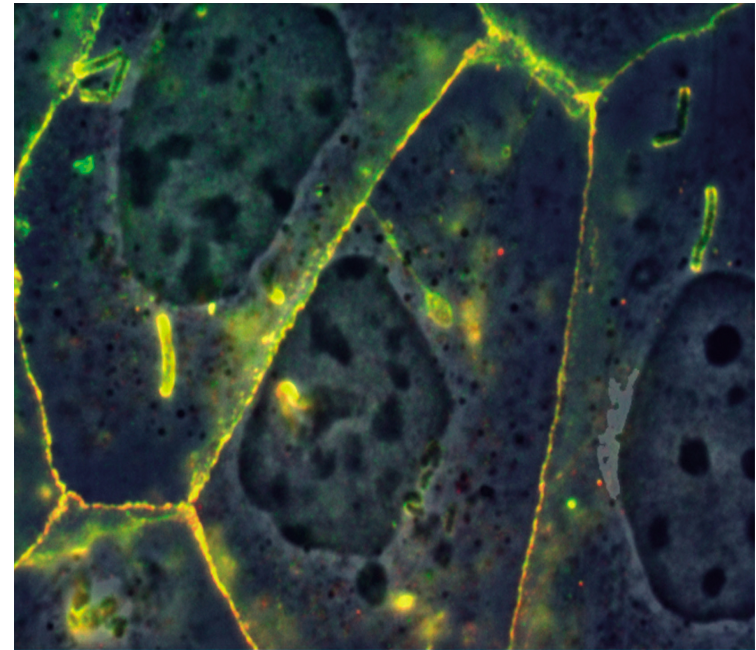
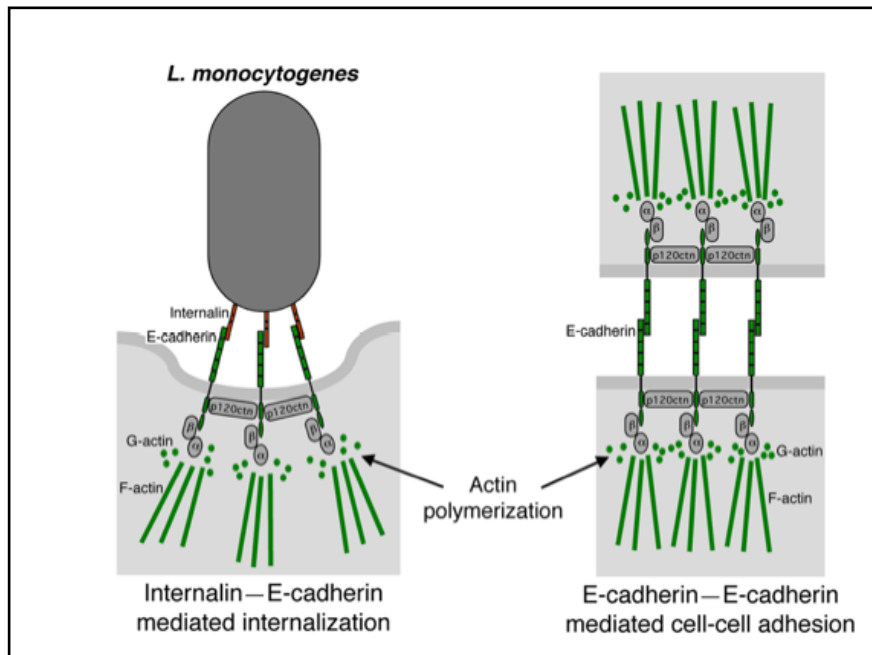
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## Entry of *Listeria monocytogenes* into hepatocytes requires expression of InlB, a surface protein of the internalin multigene family.

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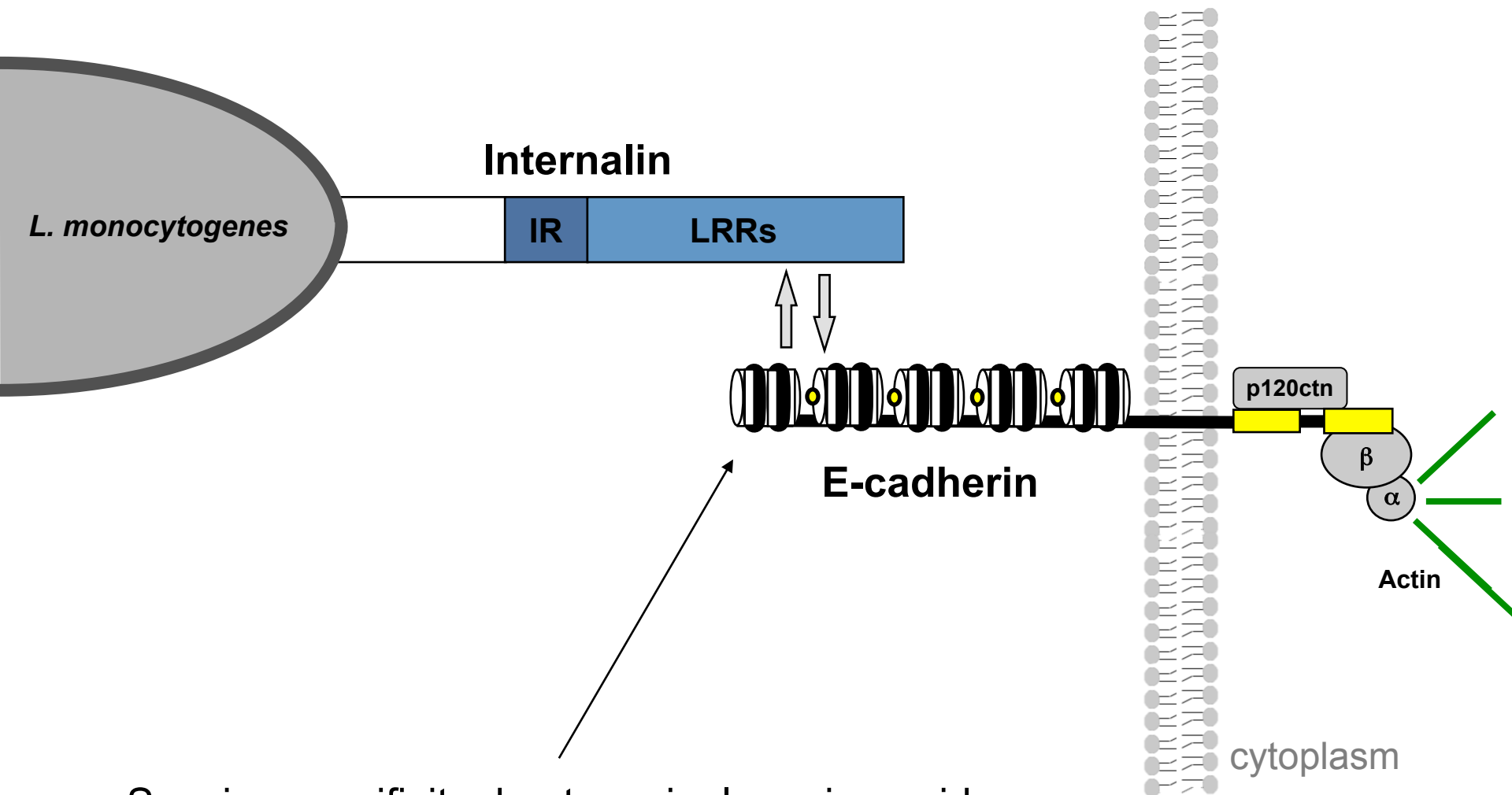


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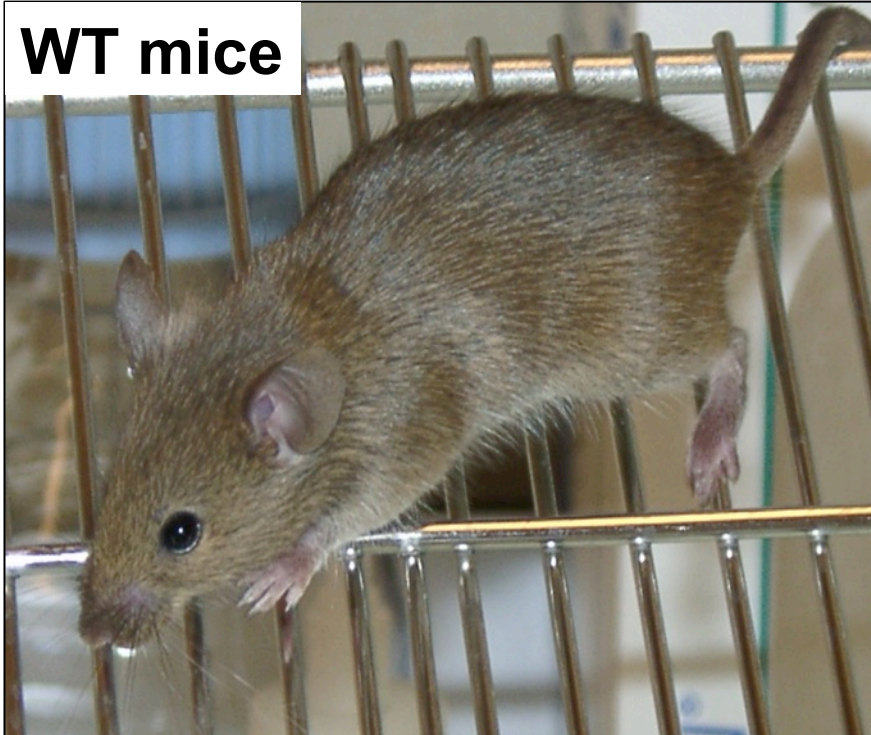
# The interaction between internalin and E-cadherin is species specific



Species specificity due to a single amino-acid

# The first transgenic mouse model for Listeriosis

**WT mice**



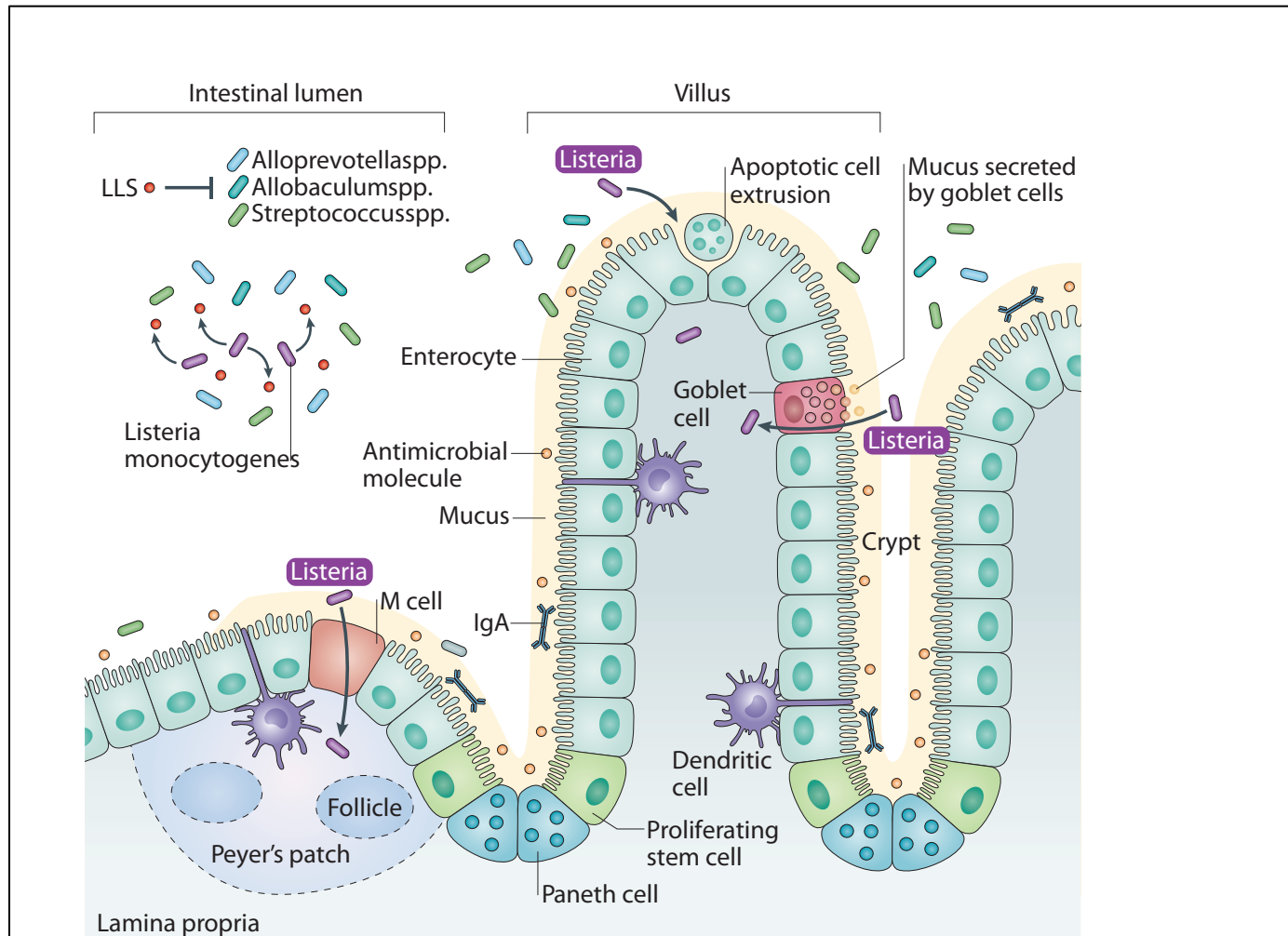
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**hEcad transgenic mice**

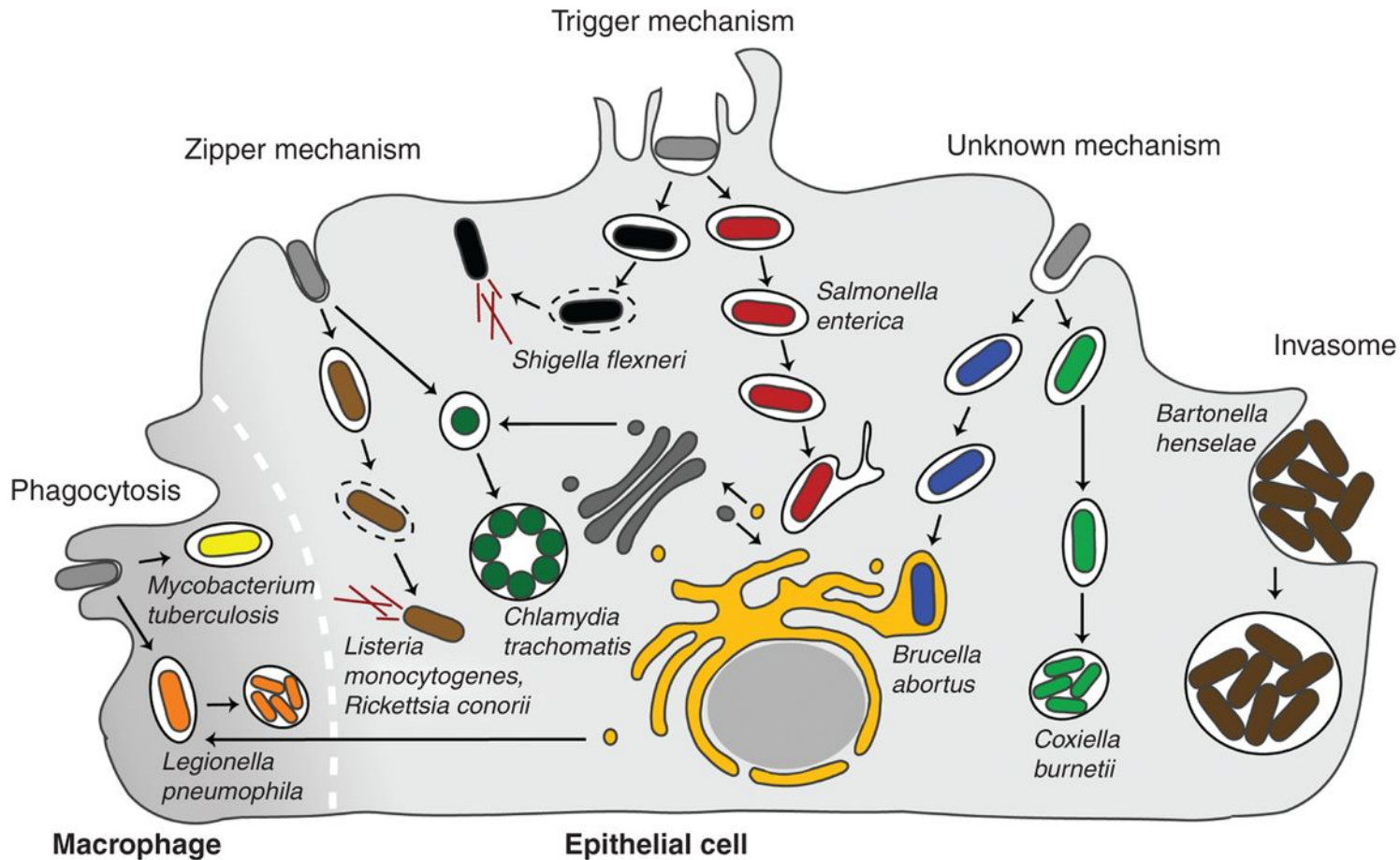


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# Crossing of the intestinal barrier

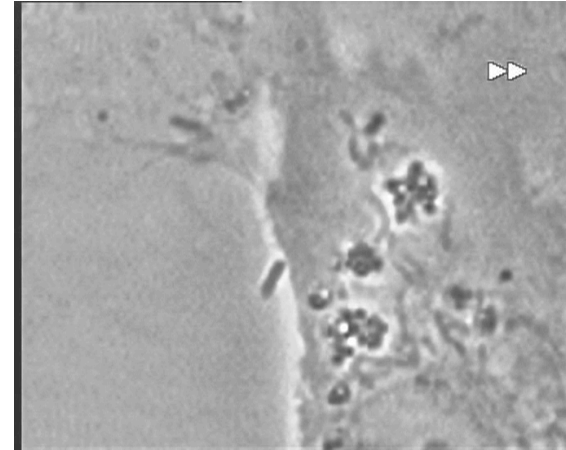
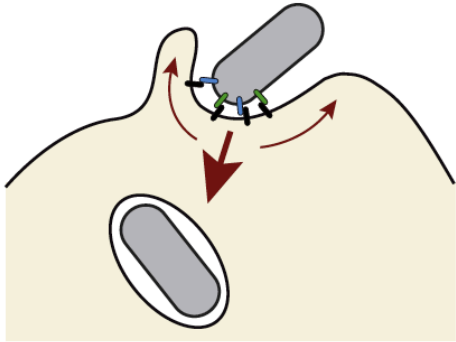


# Intracellular bacterial pathogens

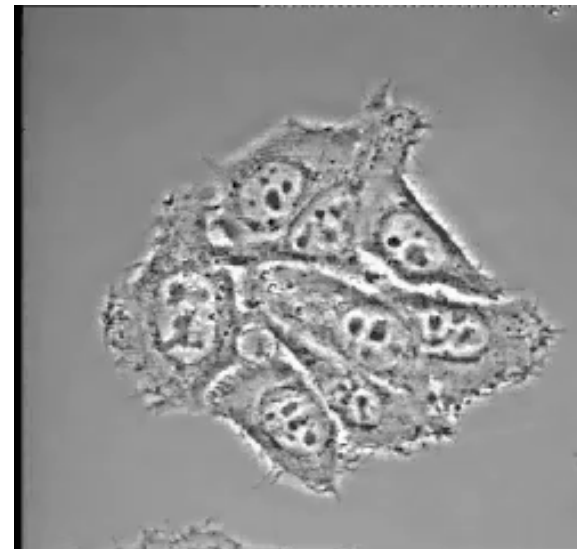
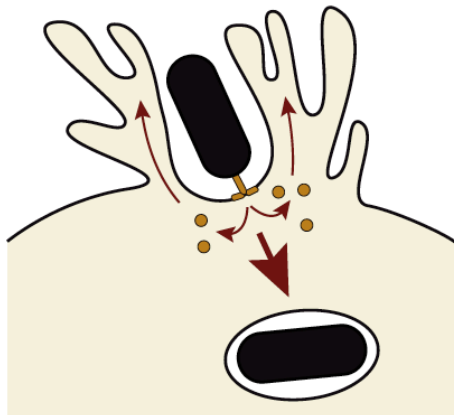


# Entry into cells : the zipper and trigger mechanisms

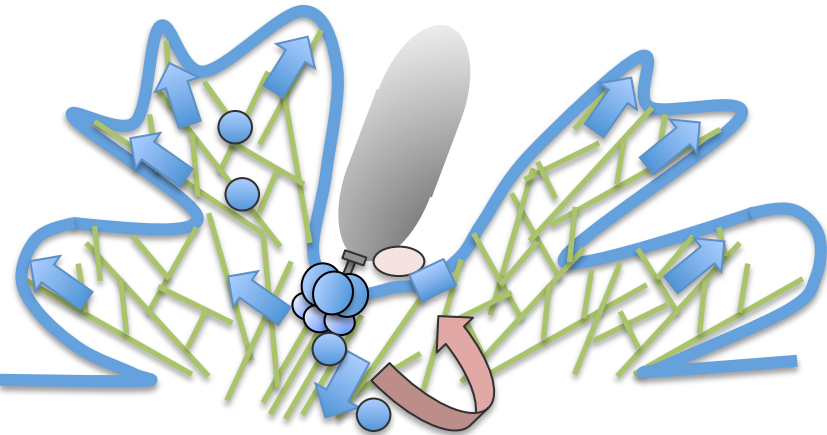
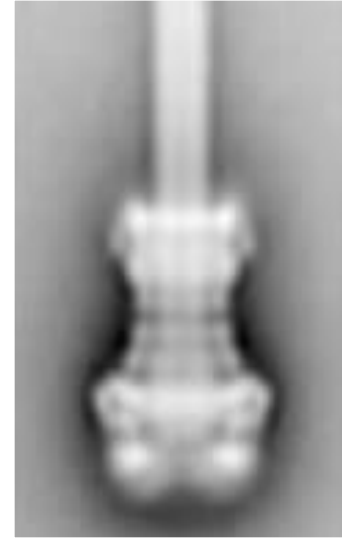
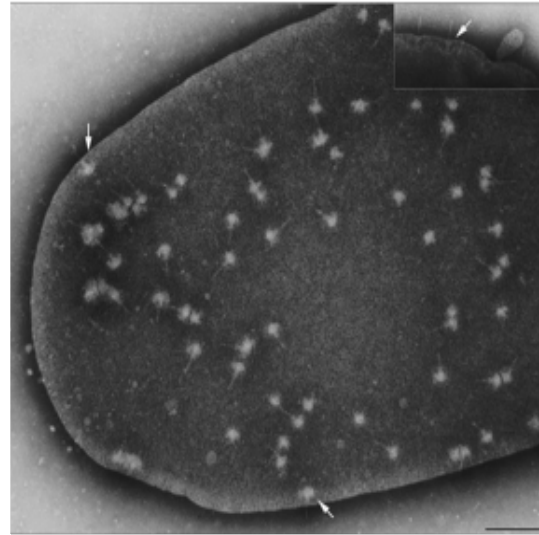
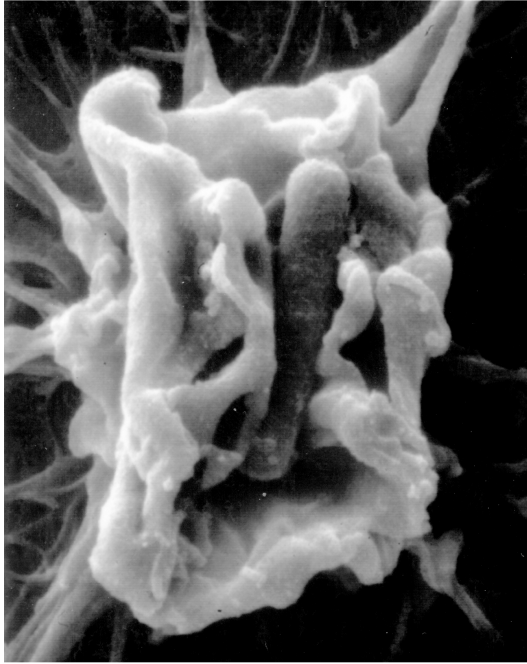
**A Zipper mechanism**  
(*Listeria monocytogenes*)



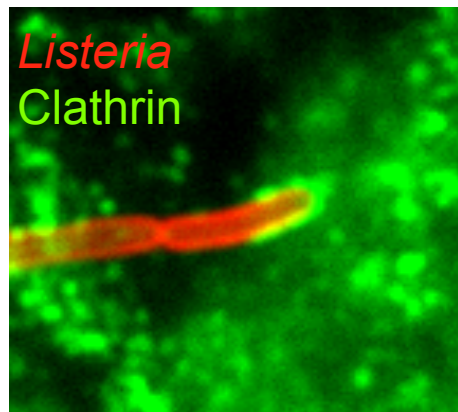
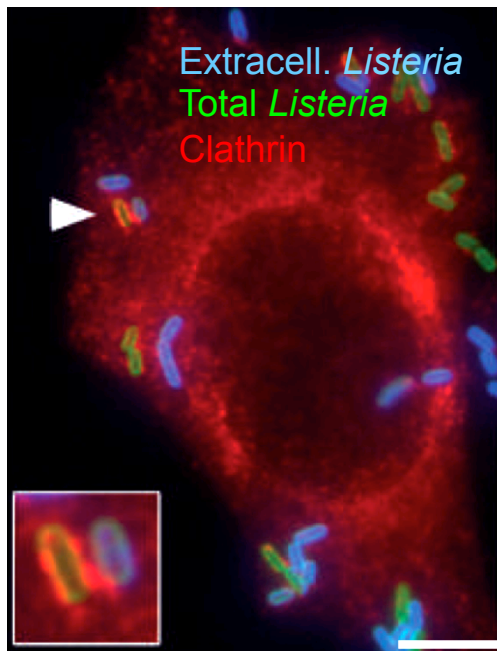
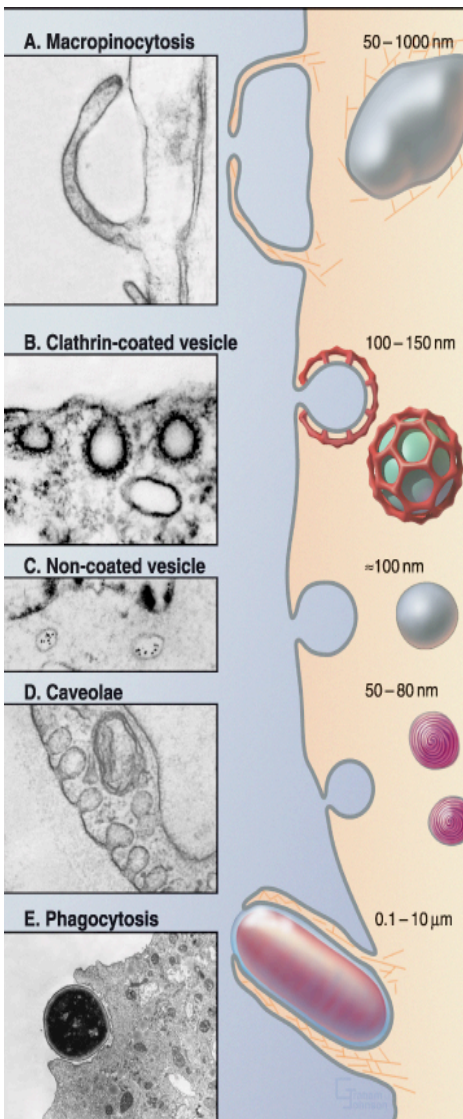
**B Trigger mechanism**  
(*Salmonella Typhimurium*)



# *Shigella flexneri* and the type III secretion system (T3SS)

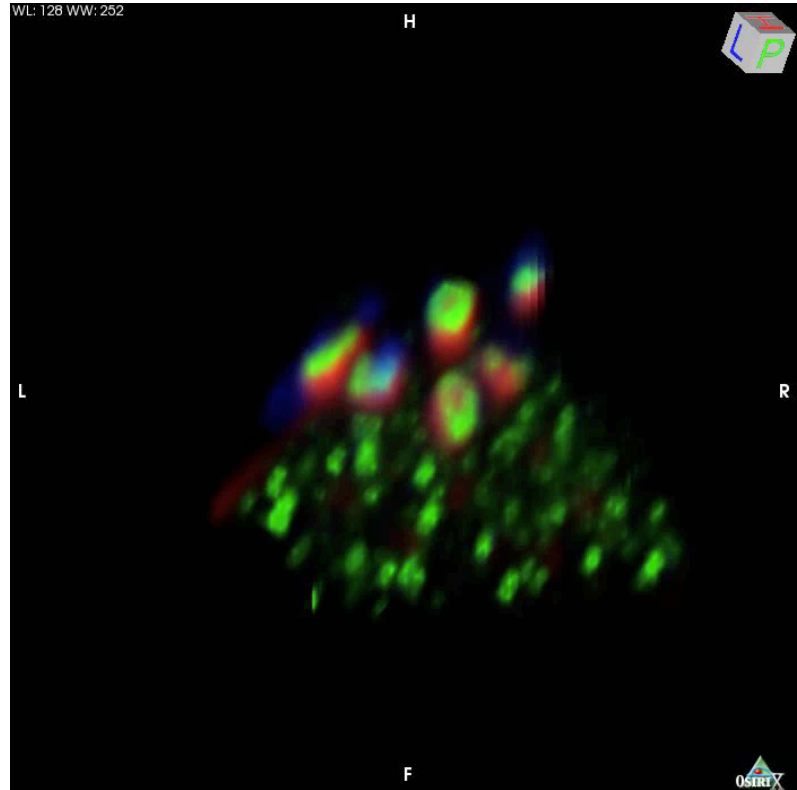
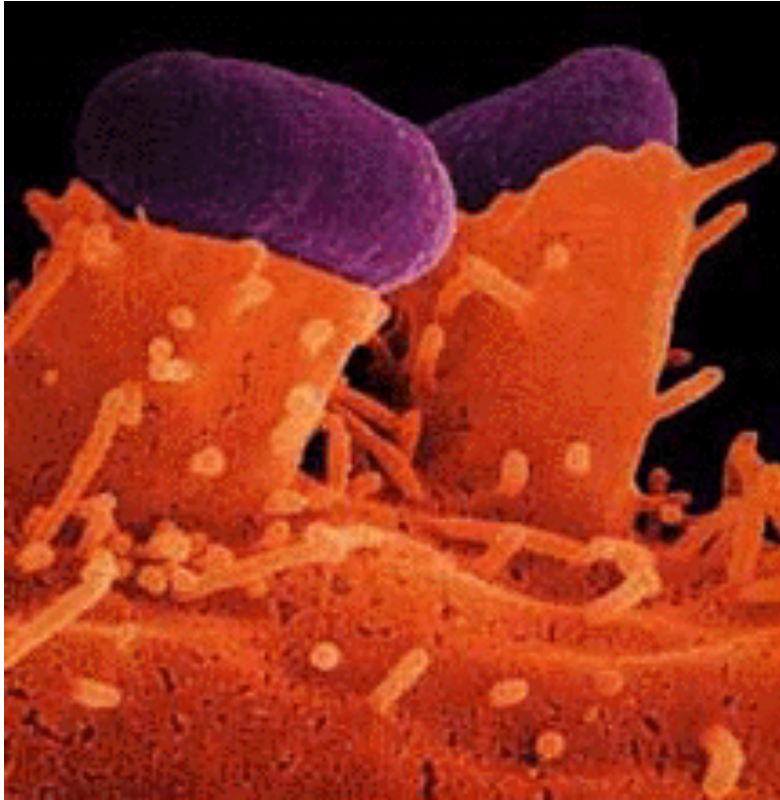


# A shift in paradigm: a role for clathrin in phagocytosis



**Clathrin** is used for internalization of objects larger than previously accepted

# Clathrin is also used for adherence of extracellular bacteria

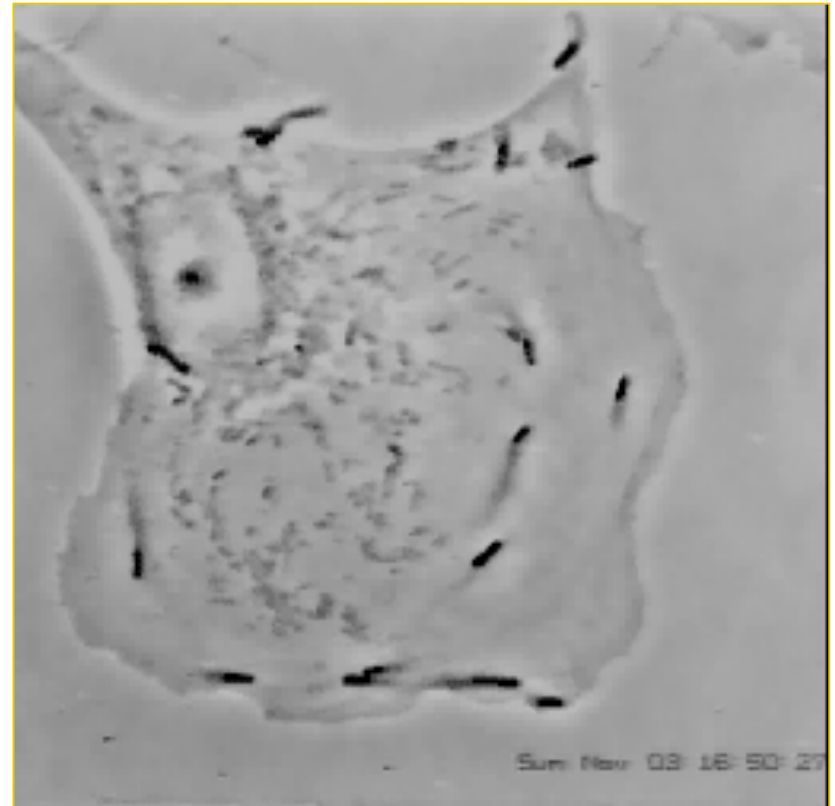
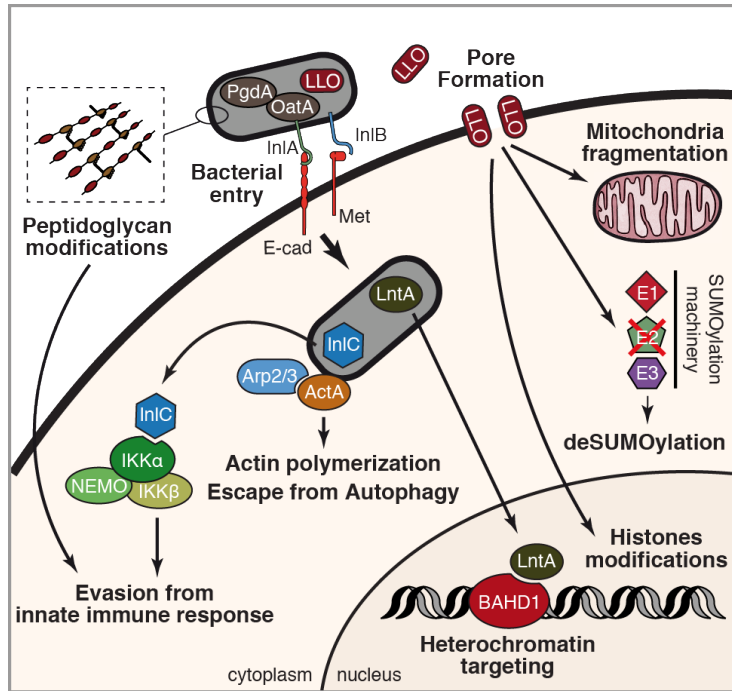


EPEC actin clathrin

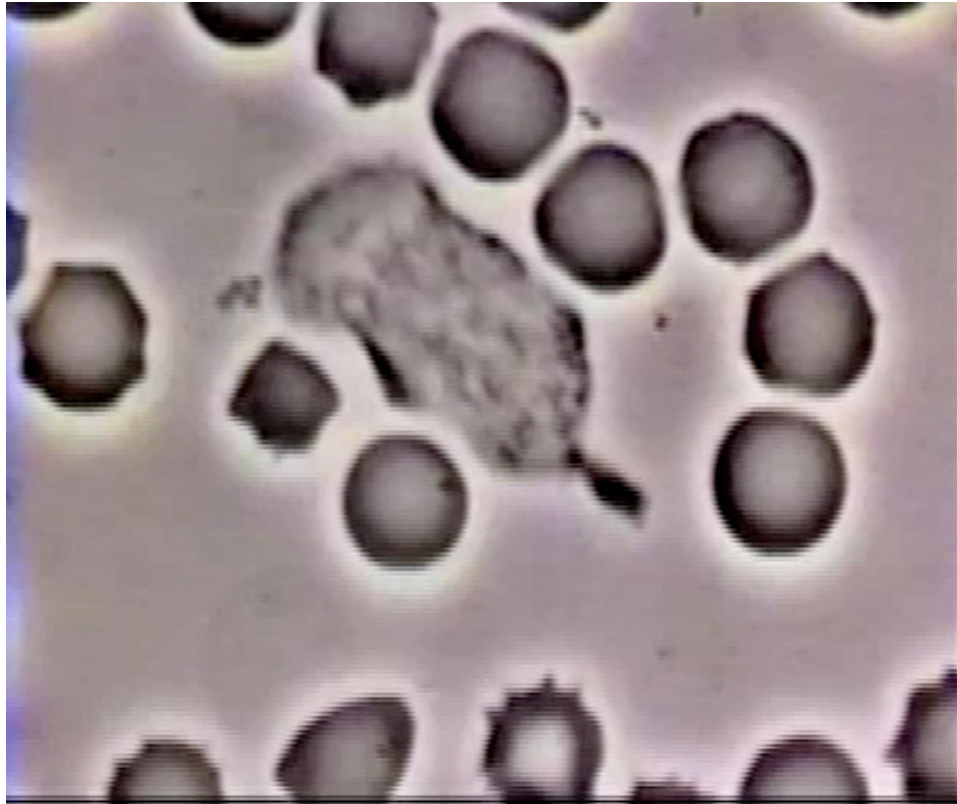


# The *Listeria* actin-based motility

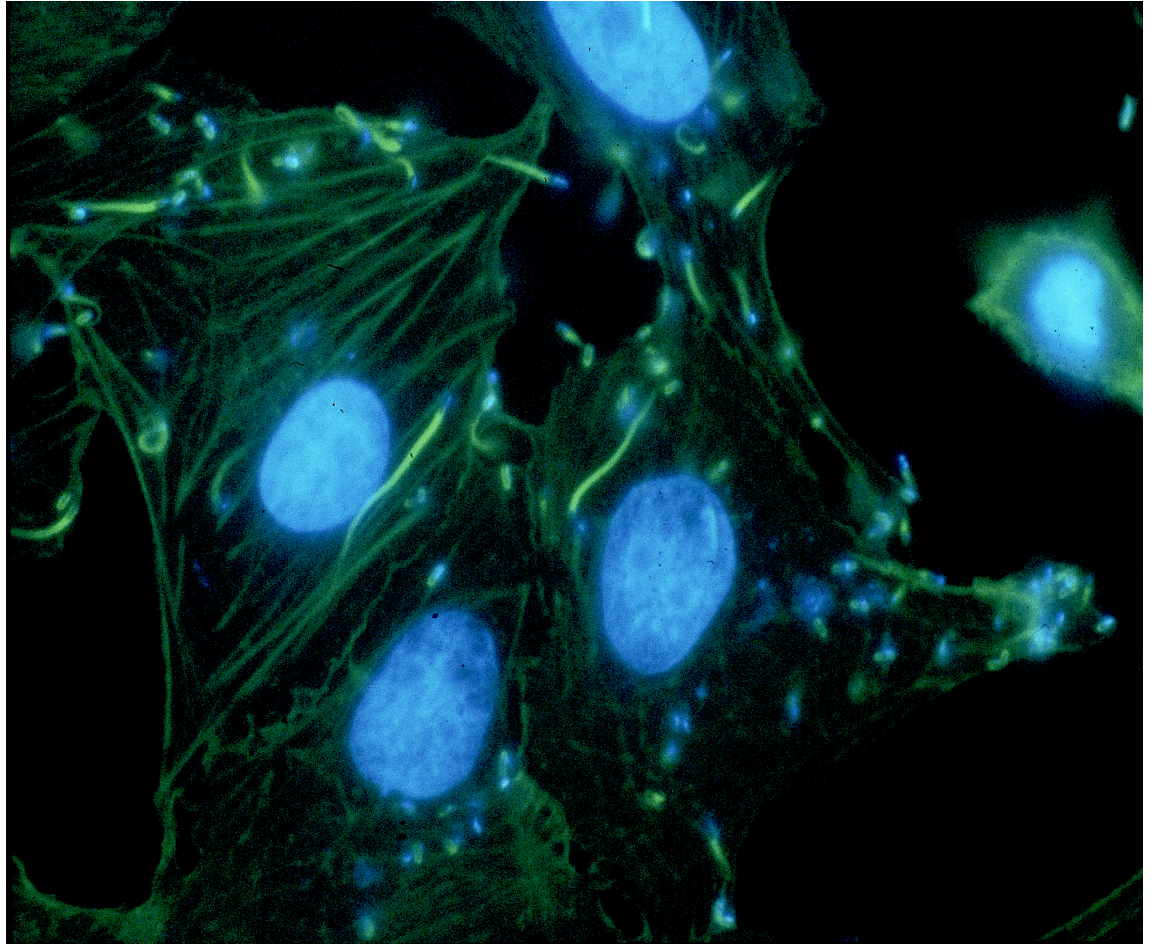
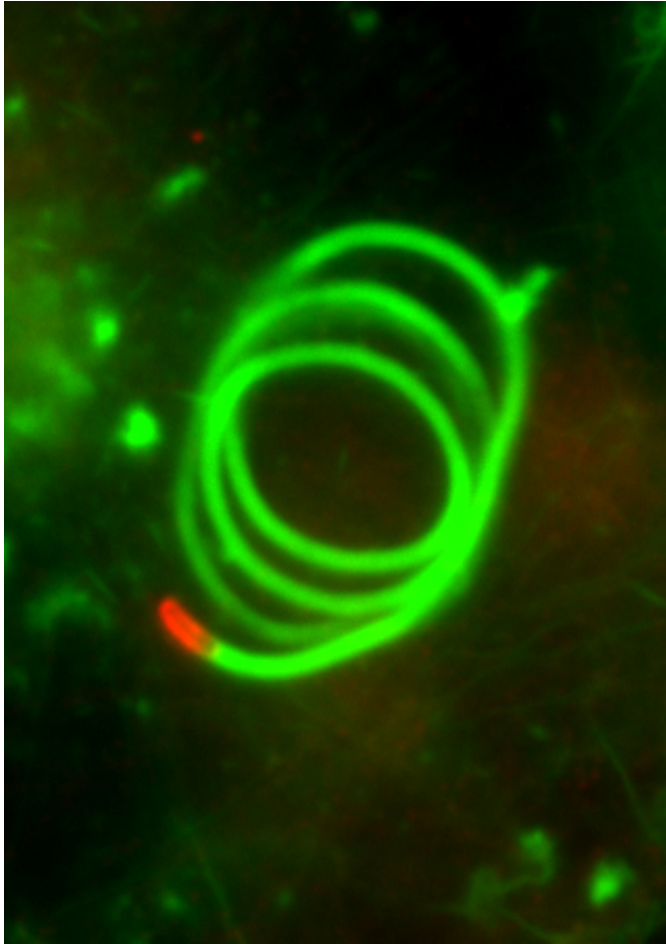
## *Listeria monocytogenes* : a cell biologist



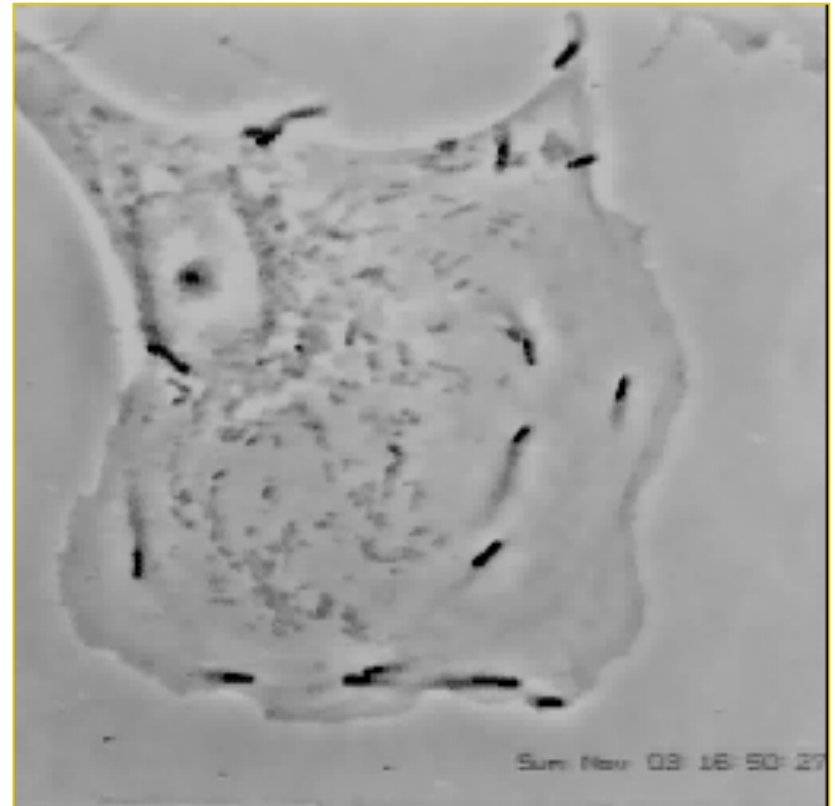
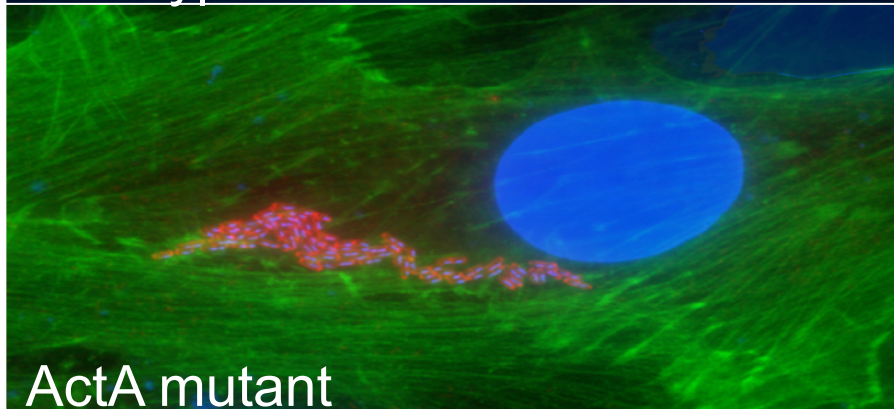
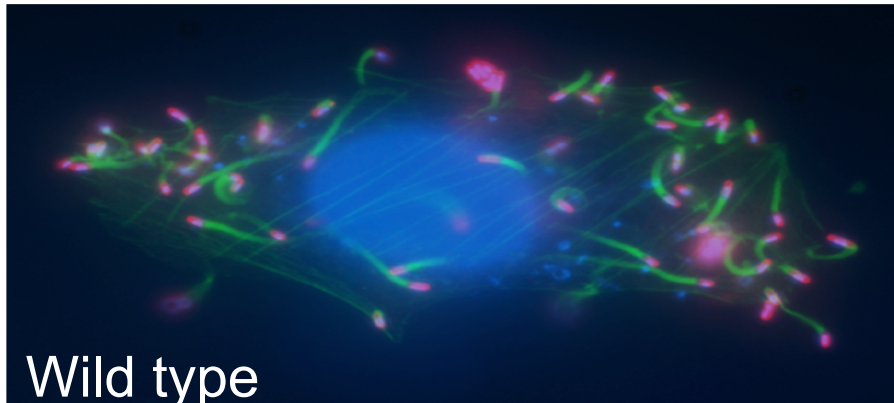
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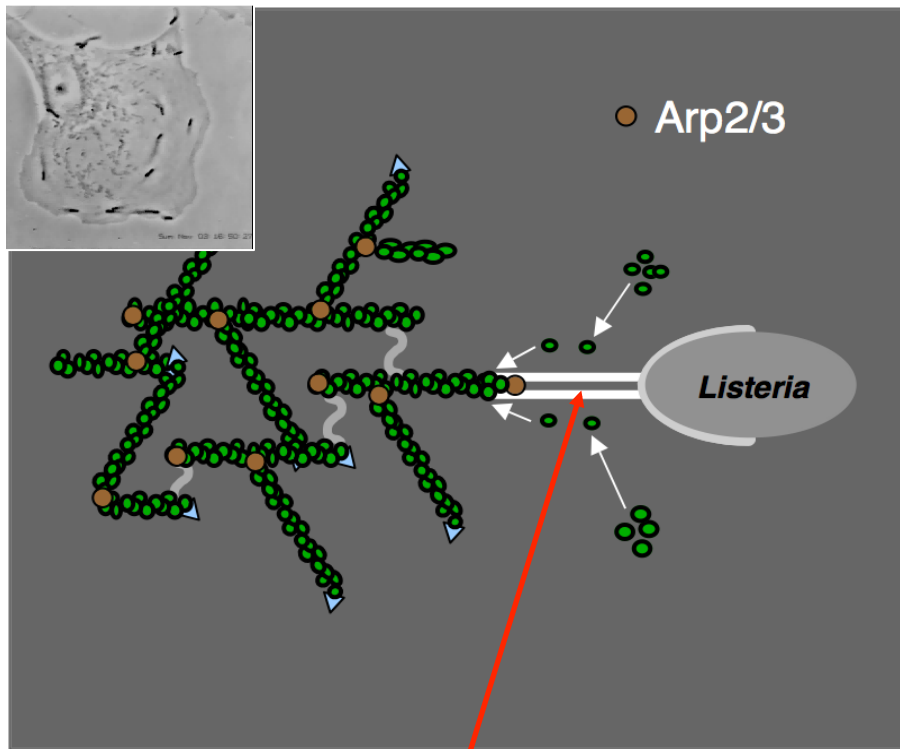
# ActA



**ActA** has been a tool for the discovery of the role of the **Arp2/3 complex**

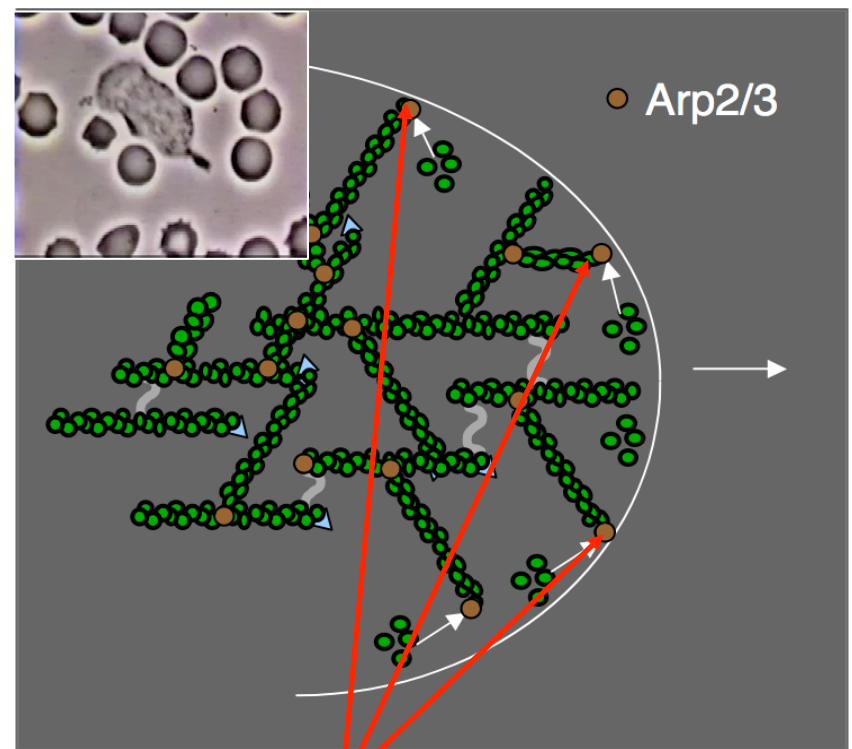
# ActA or WASP recruit the Arp2/3 complex

## Locomoting *Listeria*



ActA

## Leading edge of a moving cell



Scar/ WASP family proteins

## Actin-based motility

*Listeria* is not the only bacterium able to move from cell to cell.

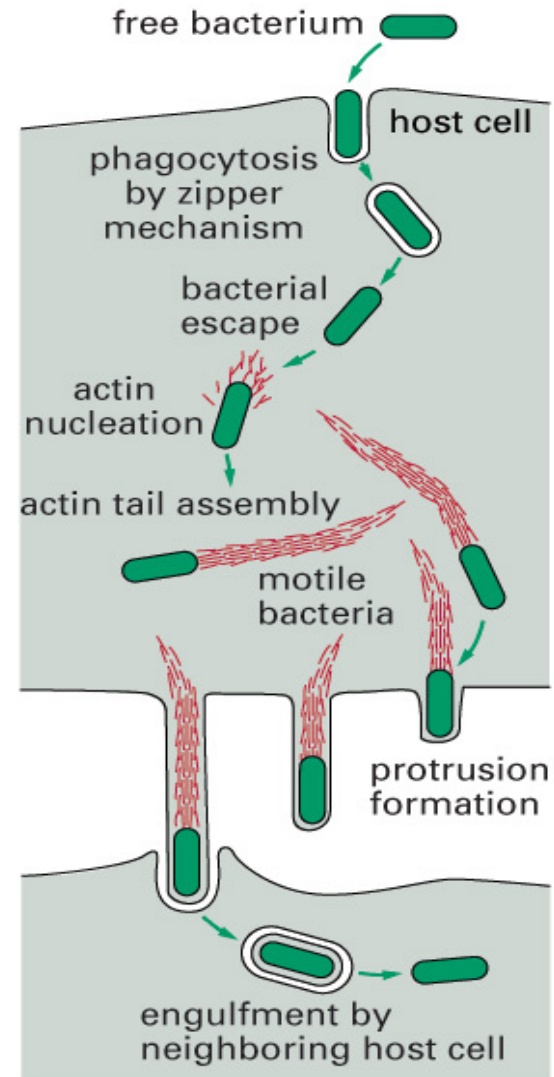
Other bacteria able to polymerize actin include

*Shigella flexneri* : IcsA/VirG + N-WASP+ Arp2/3

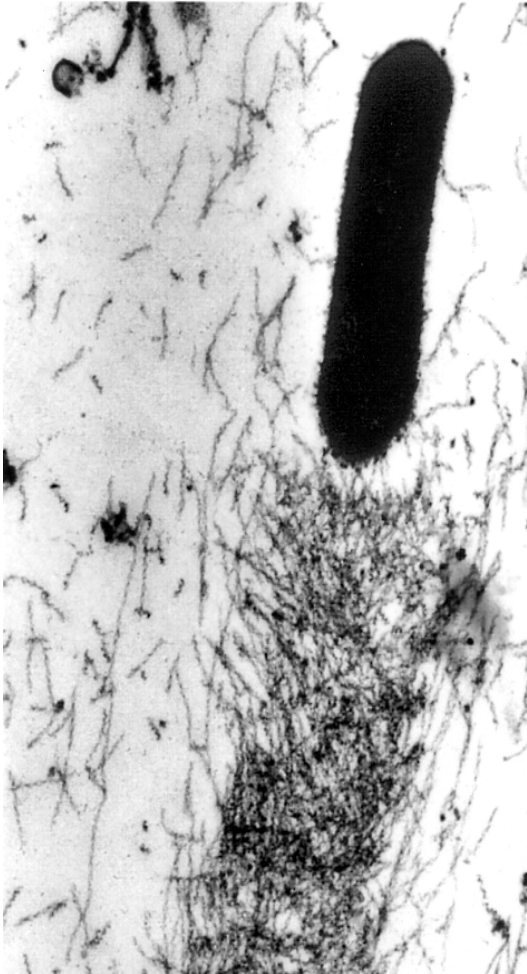
*Rickettsia conorii* : RickA + Arp2/3, Sca2

*Burkholderia* : *BtBimA*, *BpBimA*, *BmBimA*

*Mycobacterium marinum* : a new protein



# Two types of comet tails

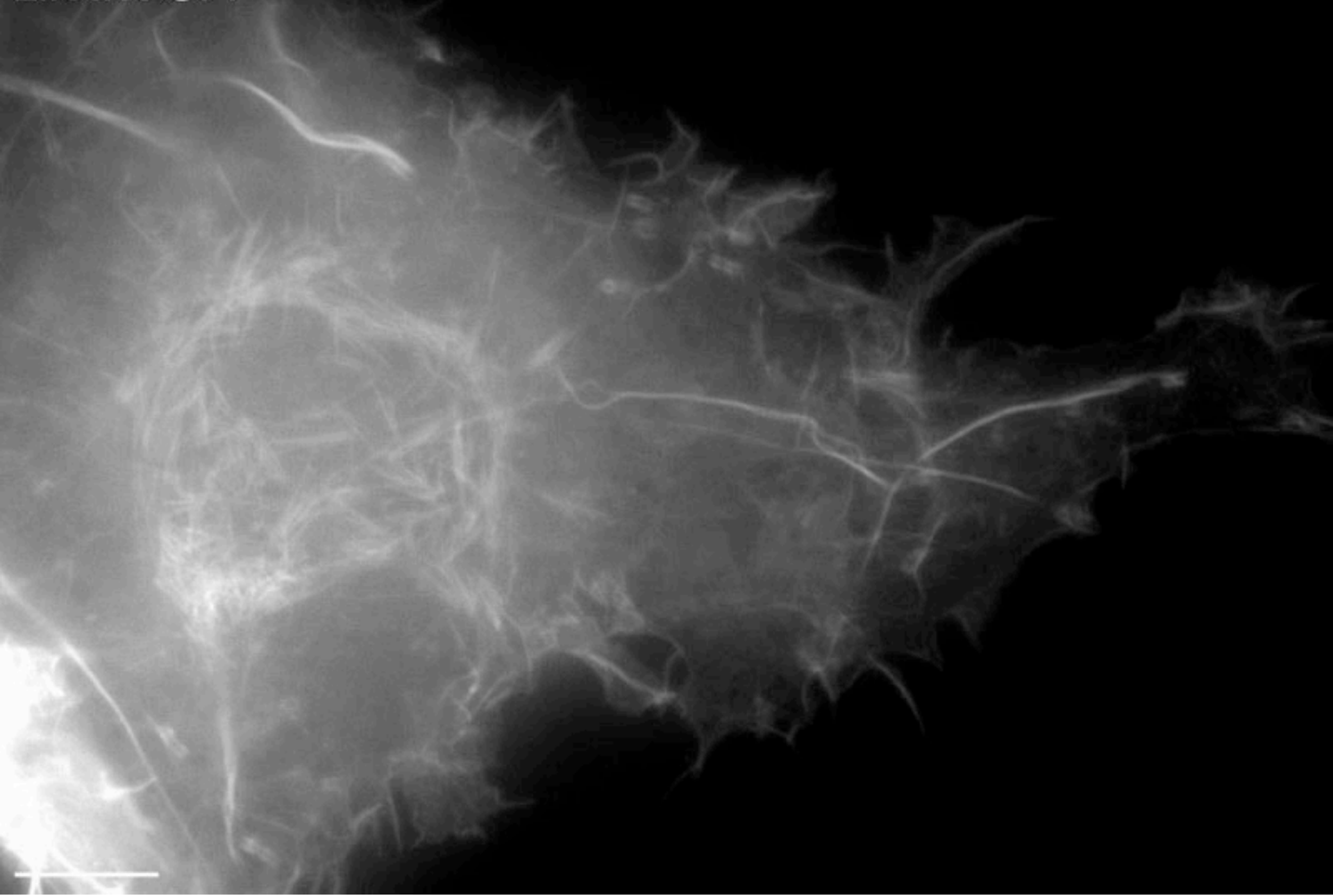


*L. monocytogenes*: ActA



*R. conorii*: RickA

non-specific RNA  
Lifeact-GFP





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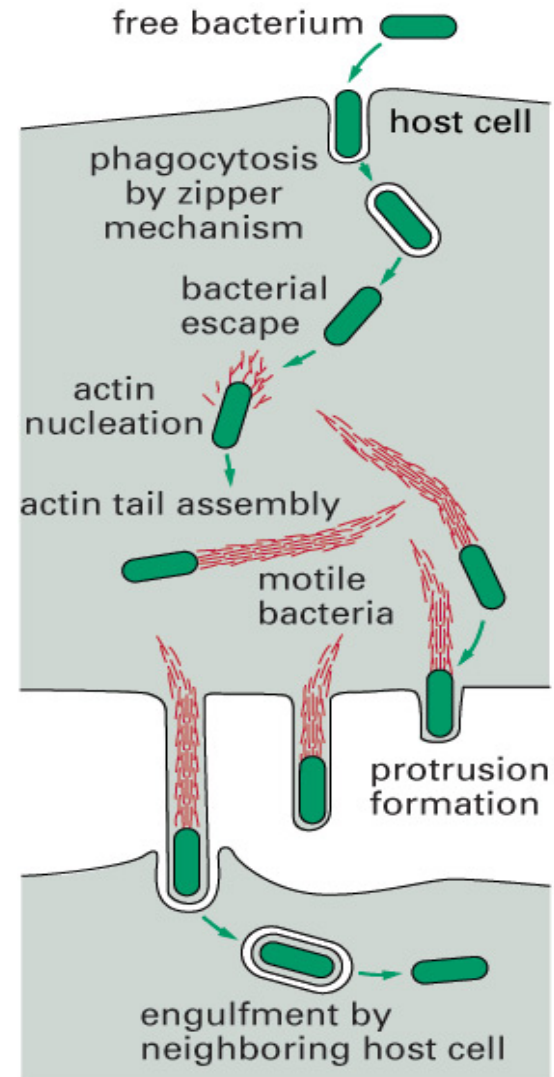
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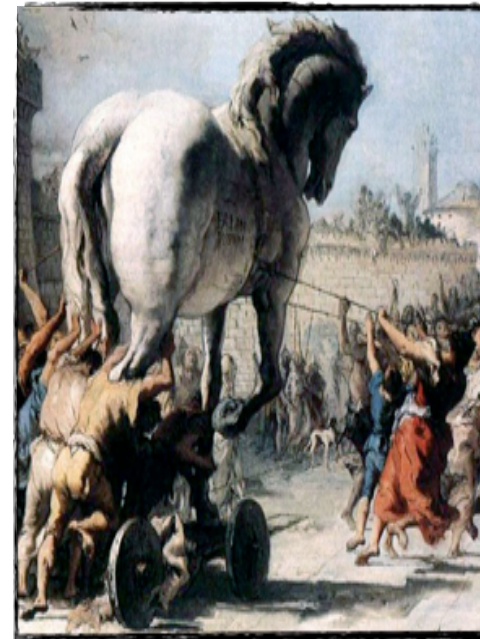
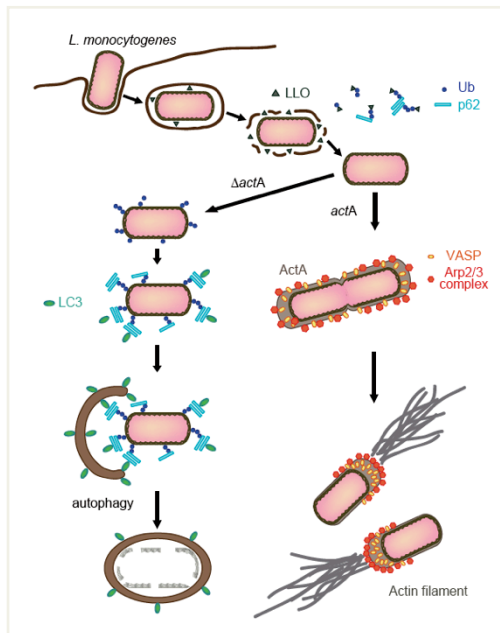
# ActA protects the bacterium from autophagy

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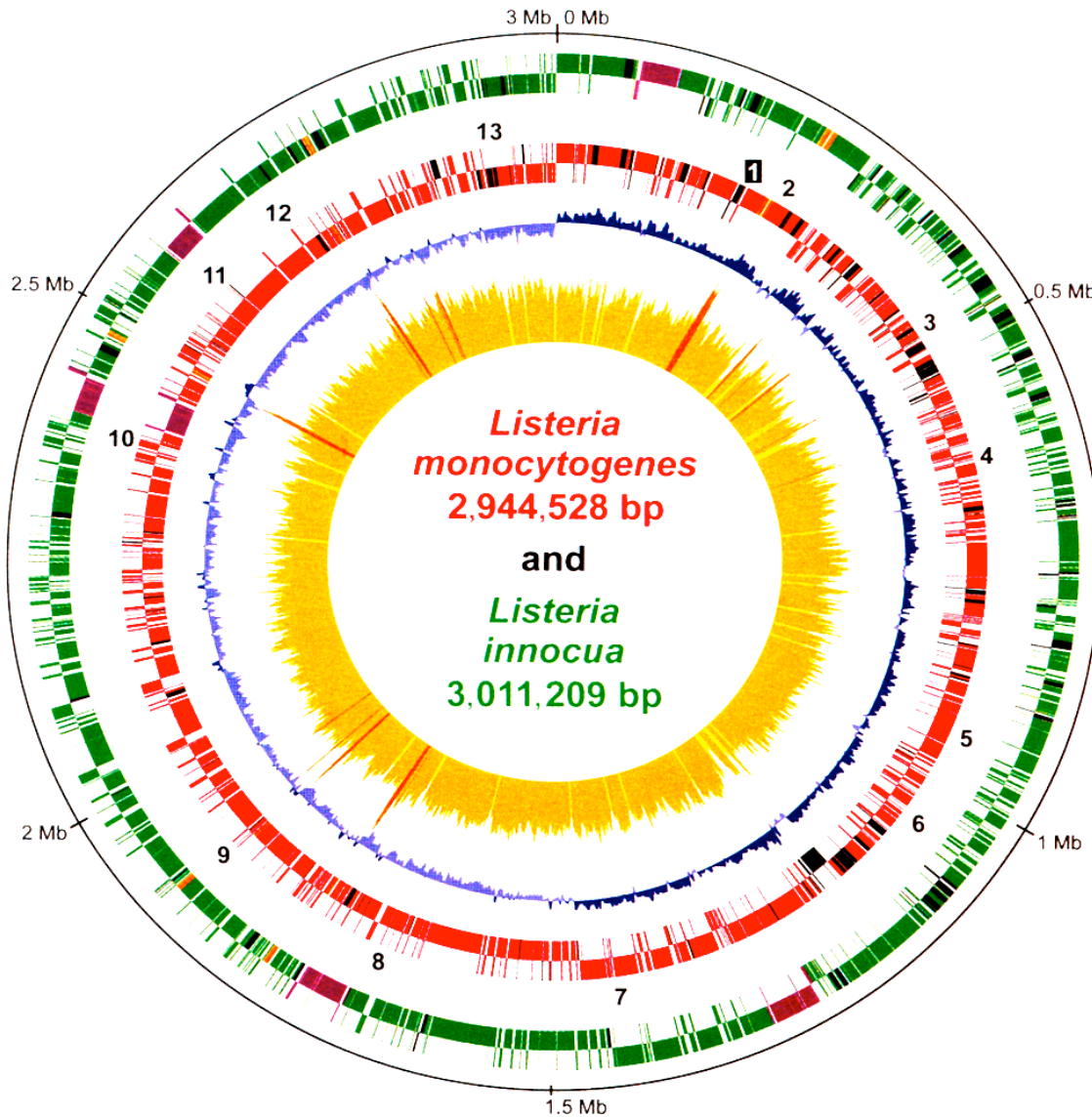
## *Listeria monocytogenes* ActA-mediated escape from autophagic recognition

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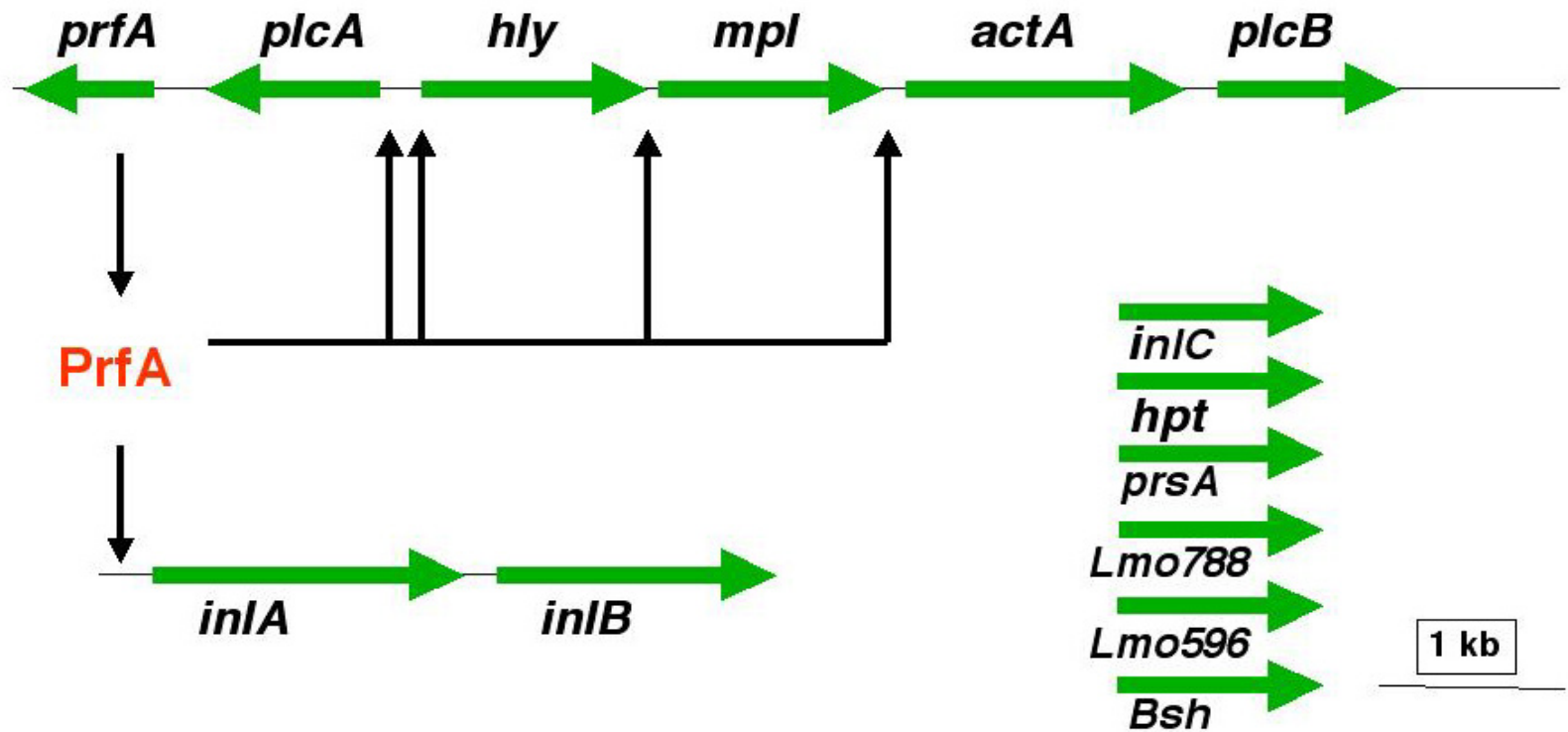


# Post-genomic studies



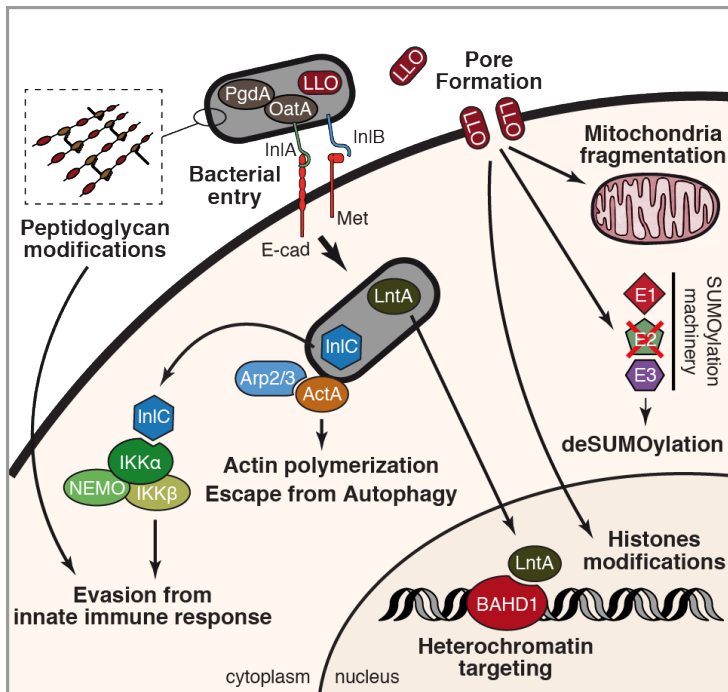
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# The PrfA regulon



# InlC : a secreted protein that interferes with the NF- $\kappa$ B pathway

## *Listeria monocytogenes* : a cell biologist

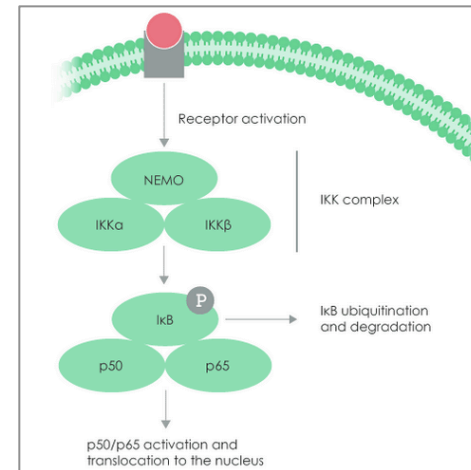


## The *Listeria monocytogenes* InlC protein interferes with innate immune responses by targeting the I $\kappa$ B kinase subunit IKK $\alpha$

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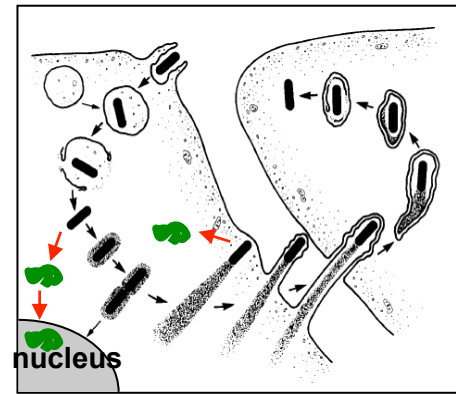
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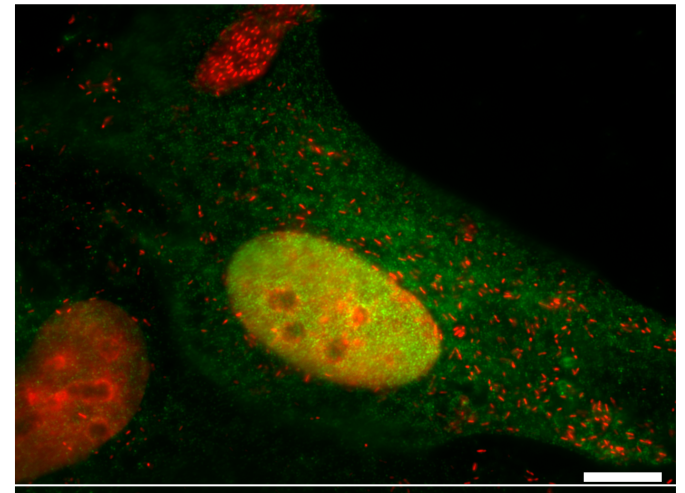


# LntA : a secreted protein which goes to the nucleus

LntA = *Listeria* nuclear targeted protein

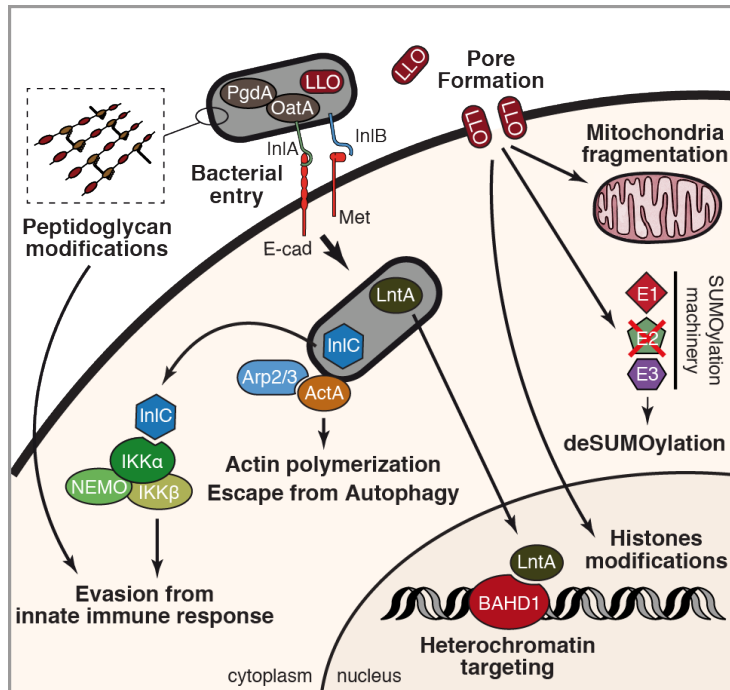


LntA + DAPI

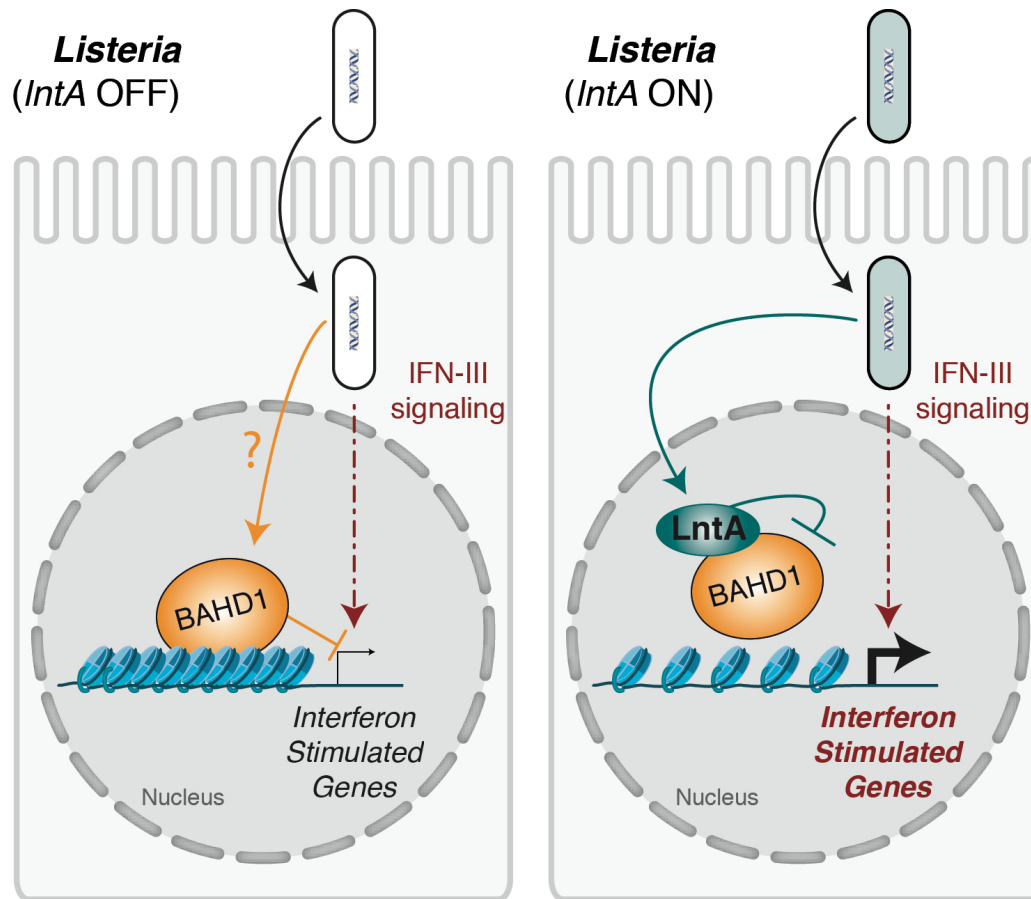


human fibroblasts infected for 24h with *LntA*-expressing *Listeria*

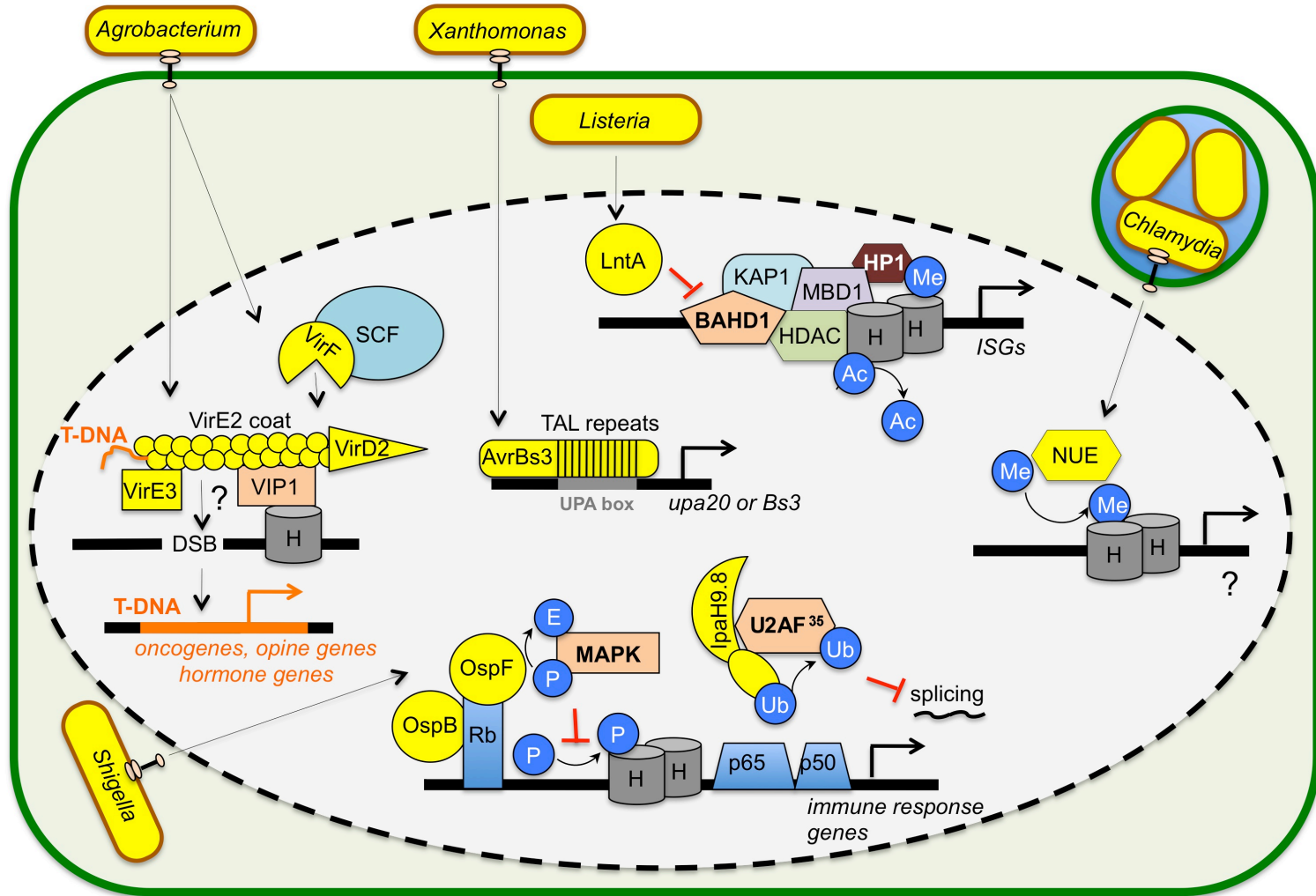
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# LntA and BAHD1 control the interferon type III response

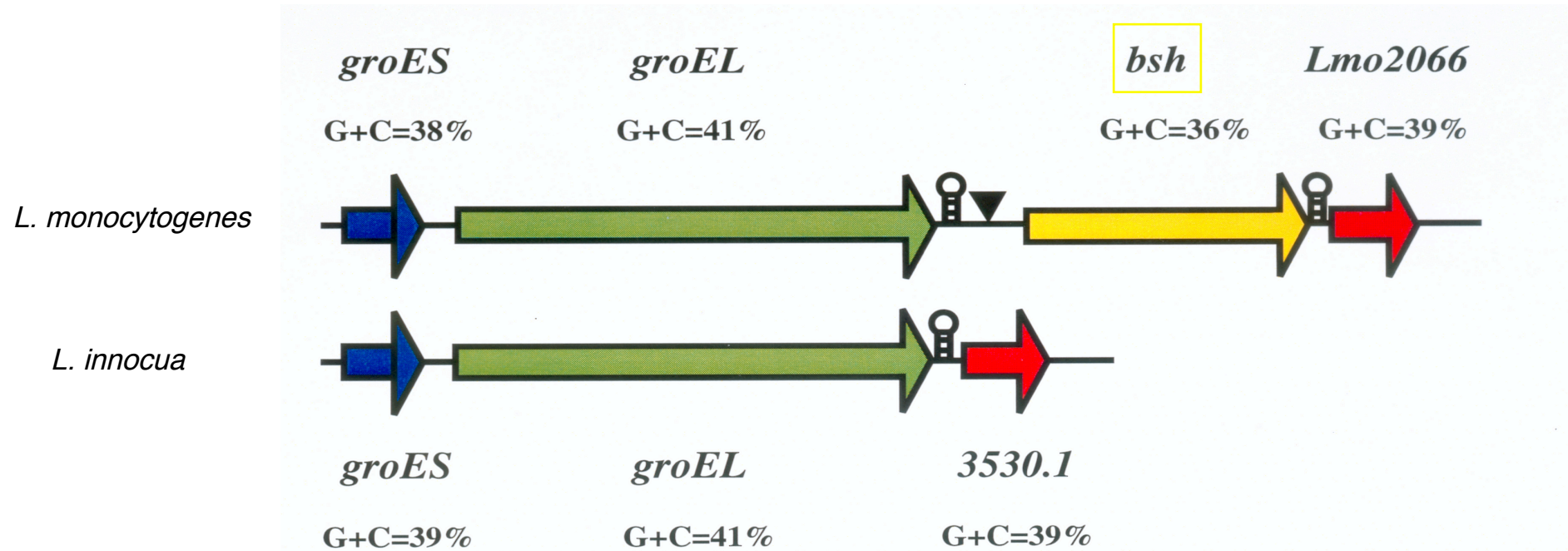


# LntA defines a novel family of bacterial proteins: the nucleomodulins





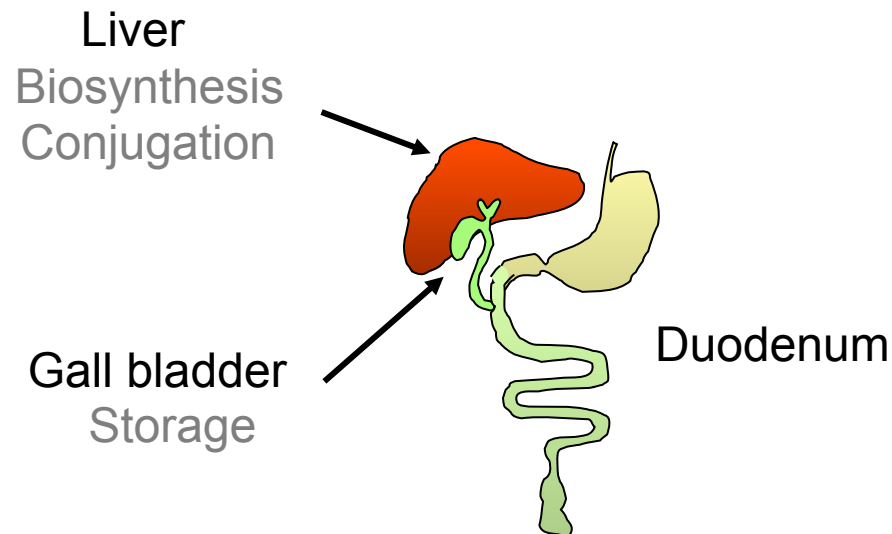
# *bsh* : a gene that encodes BSH, a bile salt hydrolase



# Bile and bile salts

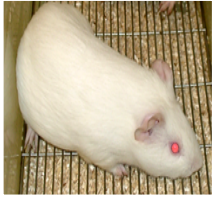
Bile is a complex liquid made of cholesterol-derived compounds

Role: **Emulsification** of dietary lipids, **antimicrobial** agent

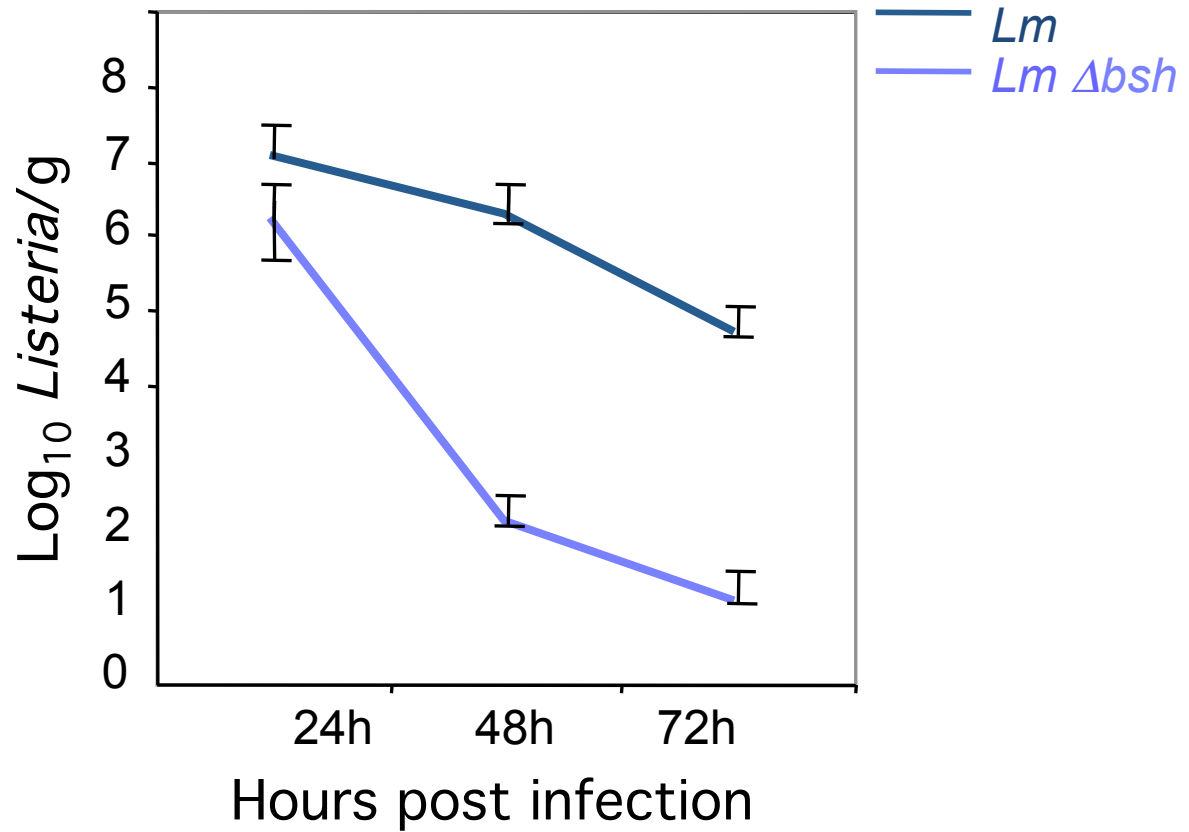
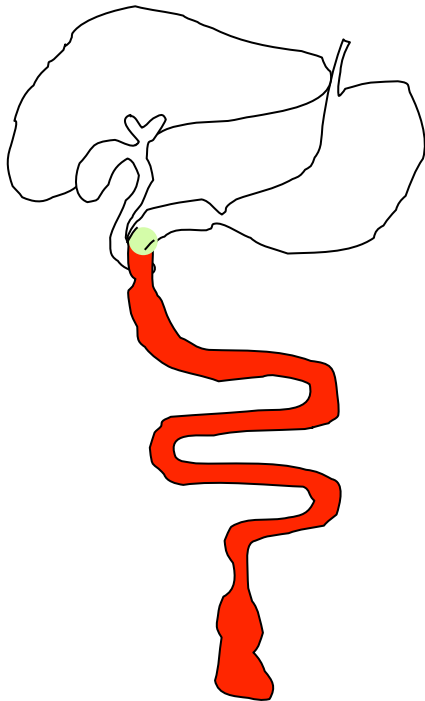


Intestinal commensals have evolved tricks to resist to the bactericidal action of bile salts

# BSH : an enzyme critical for persistence in the intestine



Oral infection of guinea pigs

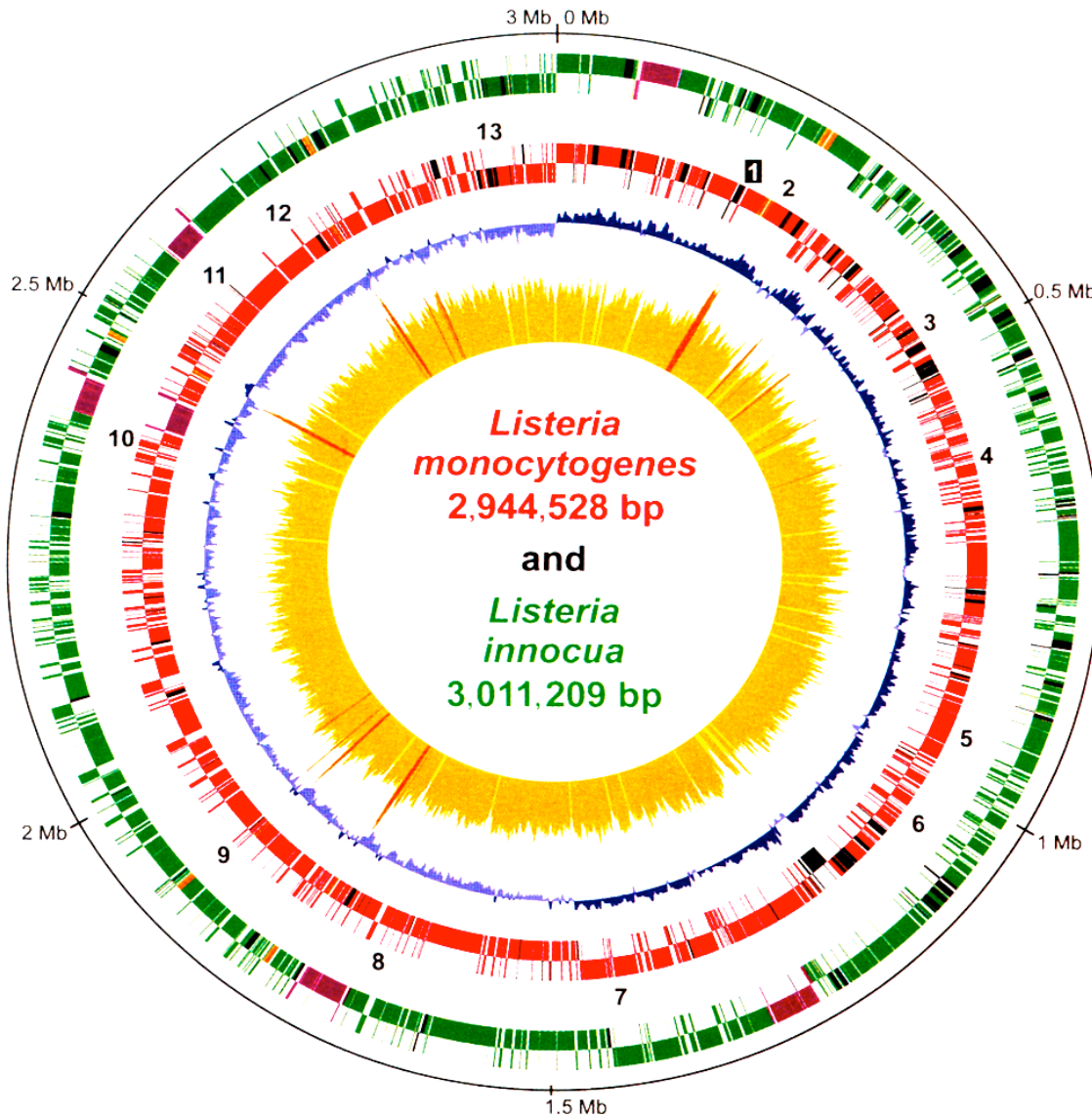


# BSH: a novel type of virulence factor

Similar to commensals,  
pathogenic *Listeria* counteract the antibacterial action  
of bile salts by the action of bile salt hydrolase (BSH)

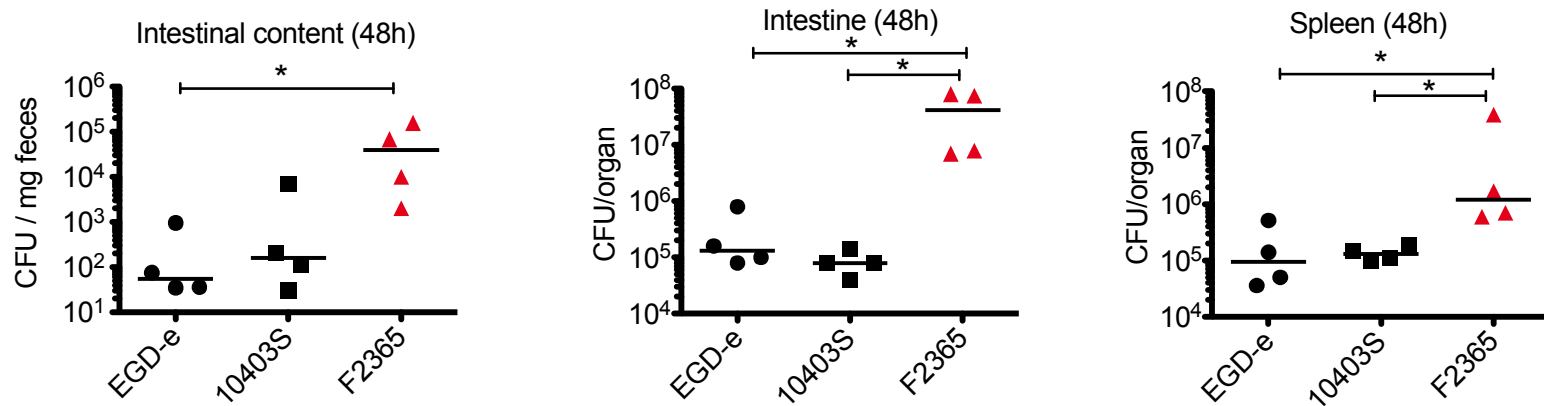
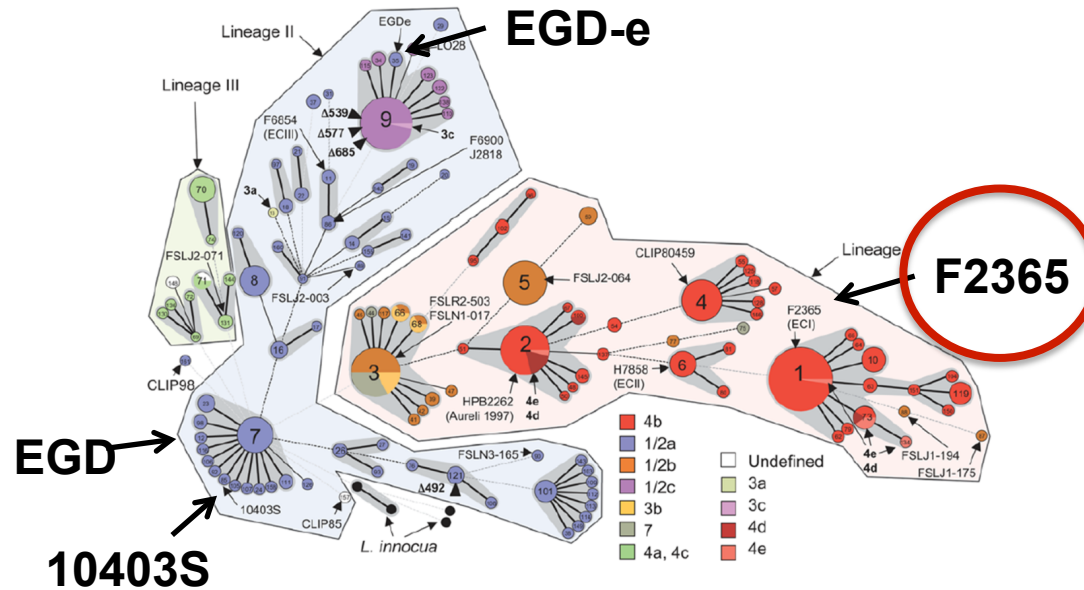
**This allows persistence in the intestine and  
is critical for virulence**

# Post-genomic studies



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# Lineage I epidemic strain F2365 is more virulent upon oral infection



# Listeriolysin S (LLS) is present in strains of *Listeria* from epidemics

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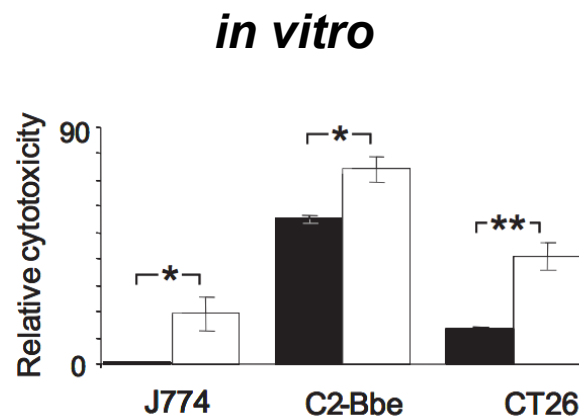
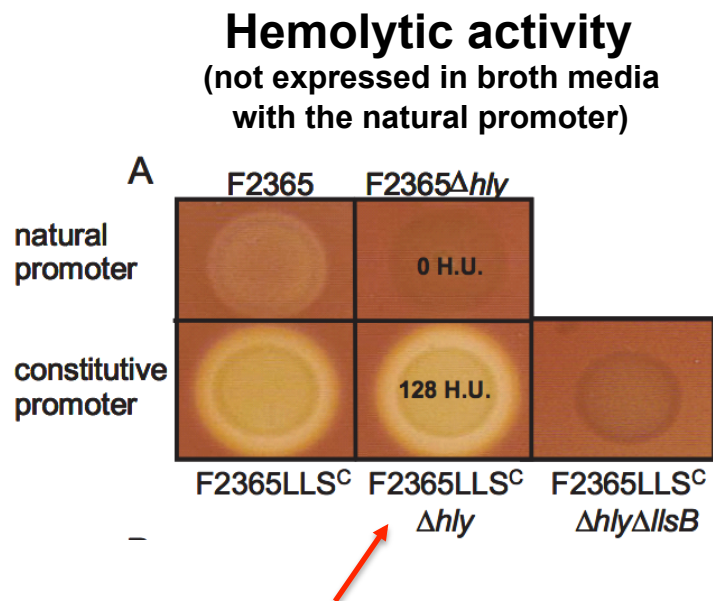
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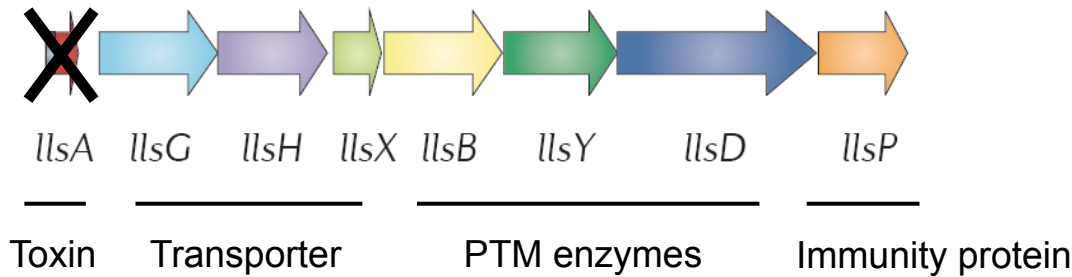
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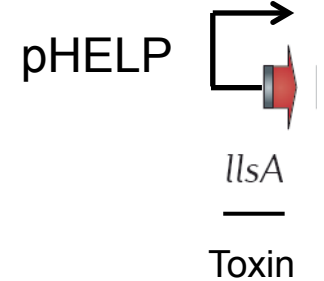
LLS is a cytotoxin

# LLS is the first reported *Listeria* bacteriocin

Listeriolysin S (*L. monocytogenes* F2365)

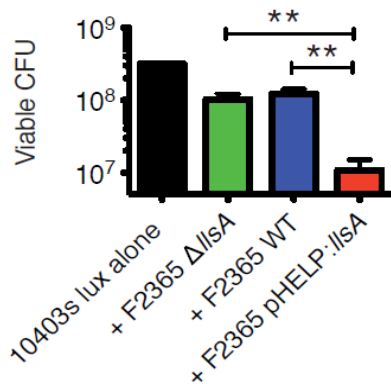


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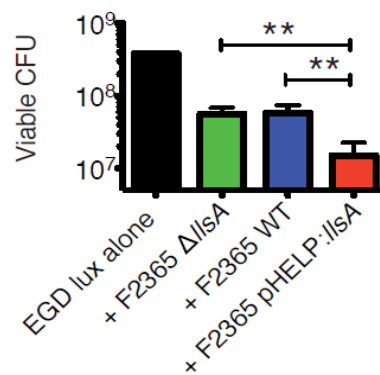


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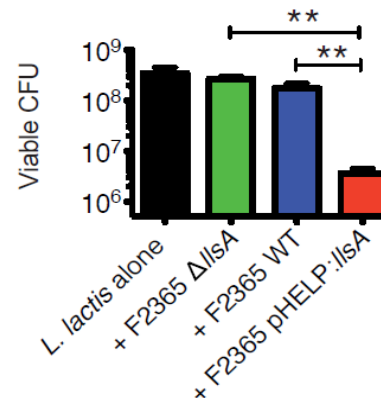
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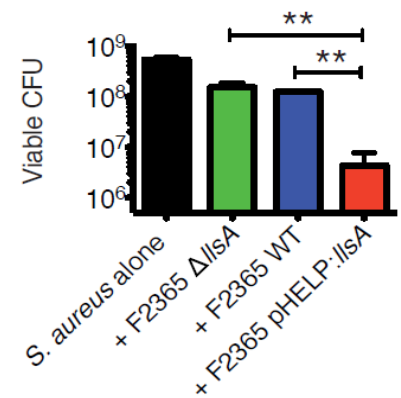
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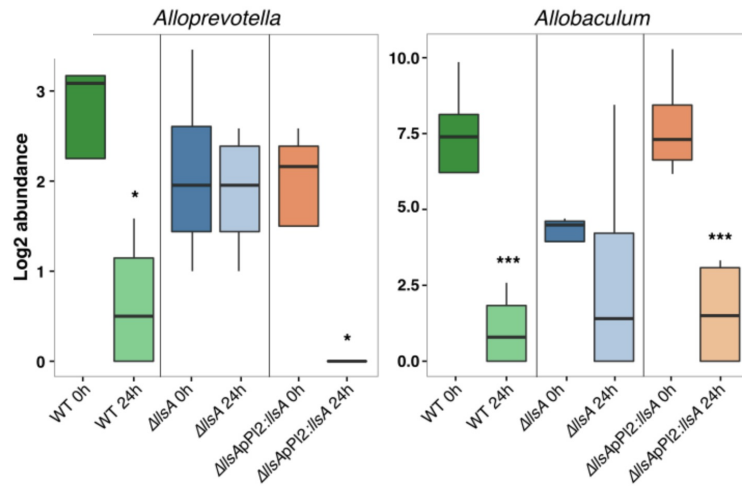
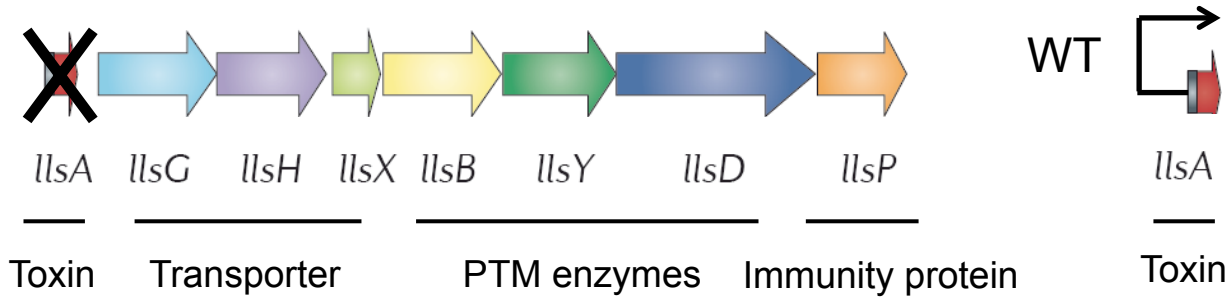
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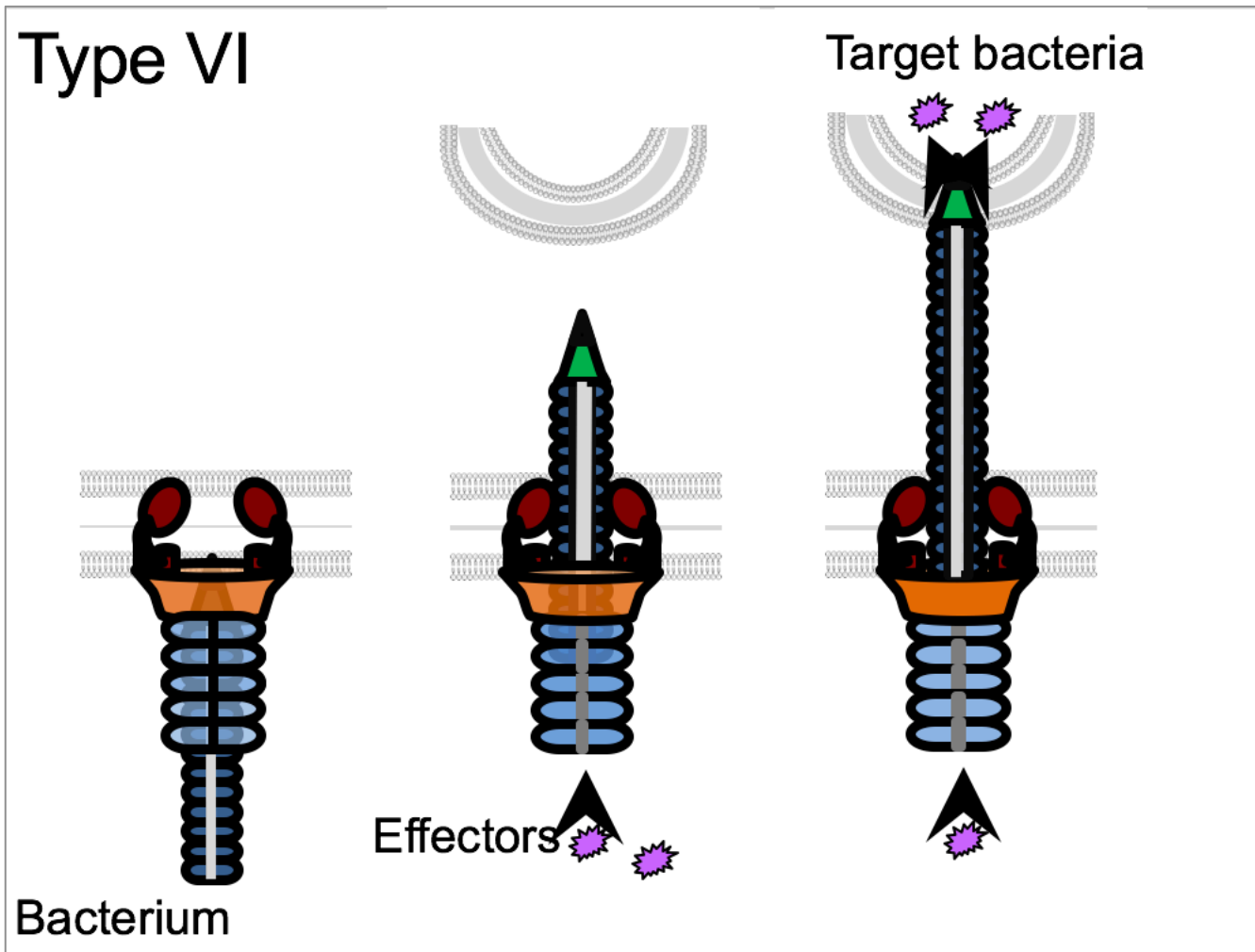
# LLS acts on the intestinal microbiota

## Listeriolysin S (*L. monocytogenes* F2365)



- *Allopevotella* produces acetic acid which inhibits *Listeria* growth
- *Allobaculum* produces butyric acid which inhibits virulence factor production in *Listeria*

Bacteriocins and type VI secretion systems are used by bacteria to target other bacteria in particular in the gut



- **Genetic approaches** : InIA, LLO, ActA
- **Post genomic approaches**
  - Surface and secreted virulence factors : InIC, LntA, BSH
  - Small RNAs and riboregulators : *not discussed*
  - Small proteins and stressosome : *not discussed*
  - Bacteriocin : more to come
- **Hypothesis-driven approaches**

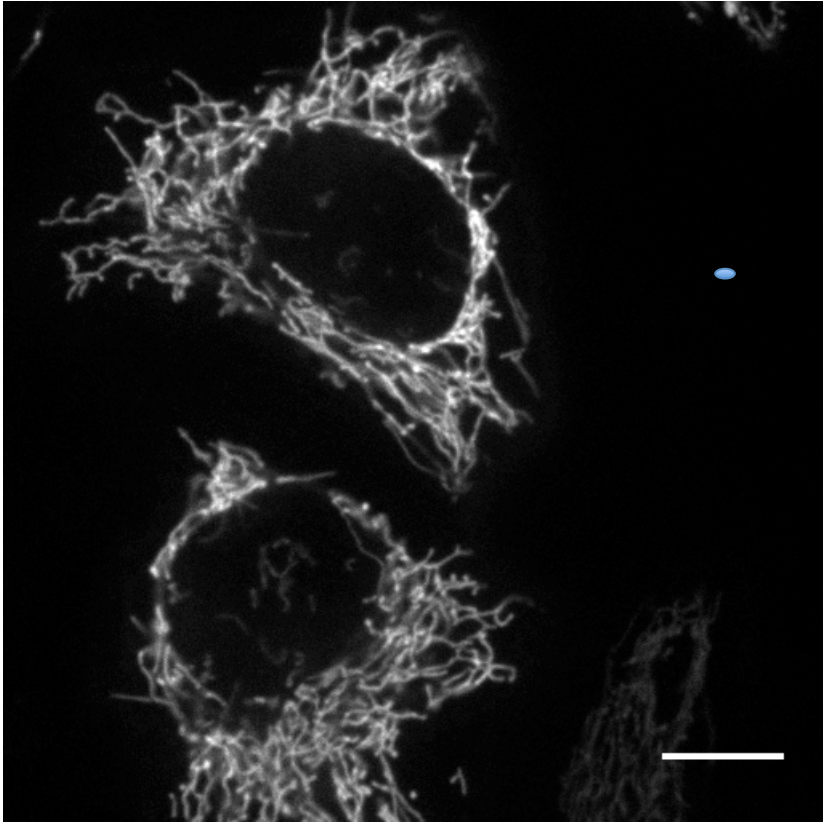
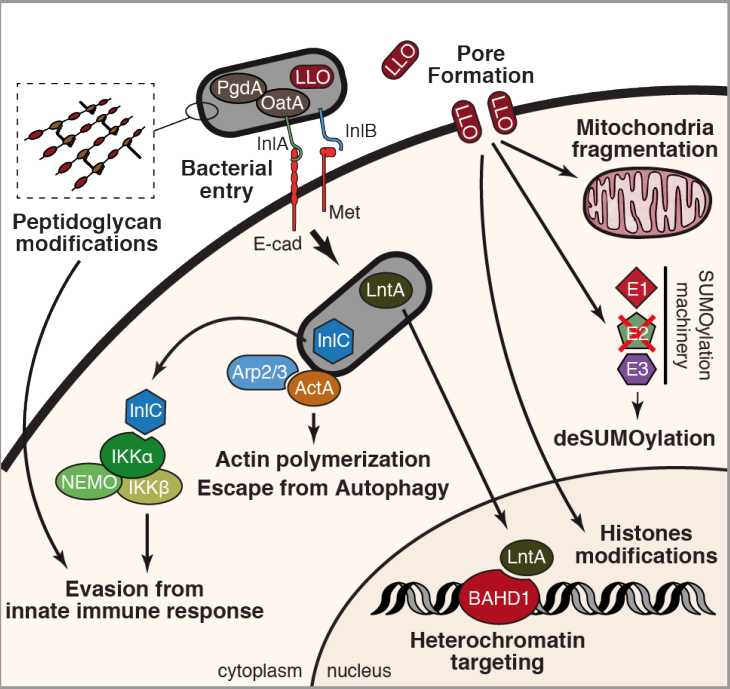
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**Post-translational modifications**

**Mitochondrial dynamics**

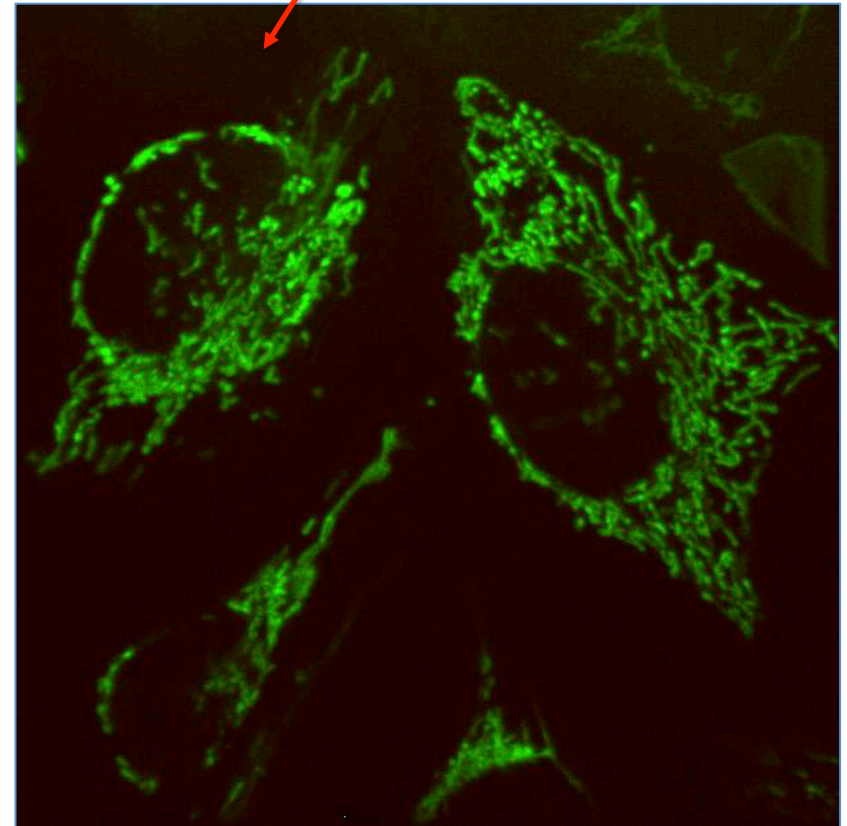
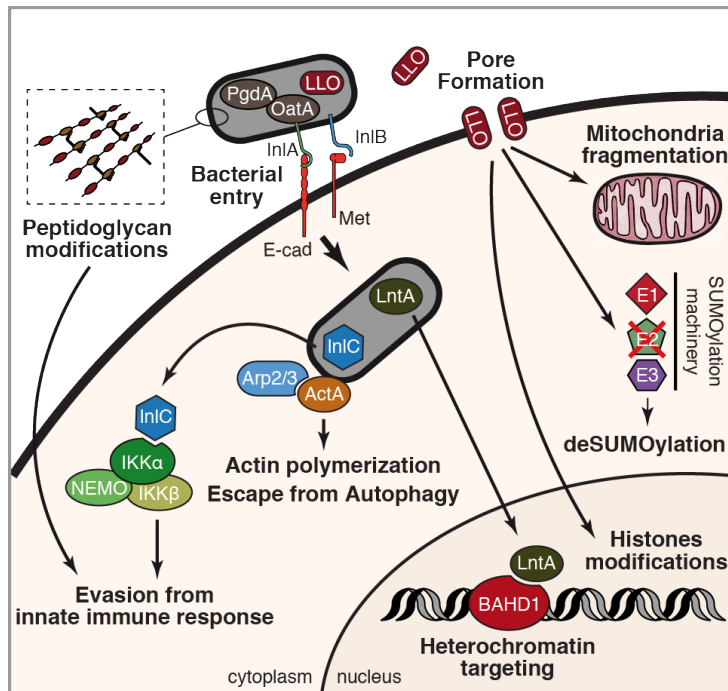
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## Listeria monocytogenes : a cell biologist



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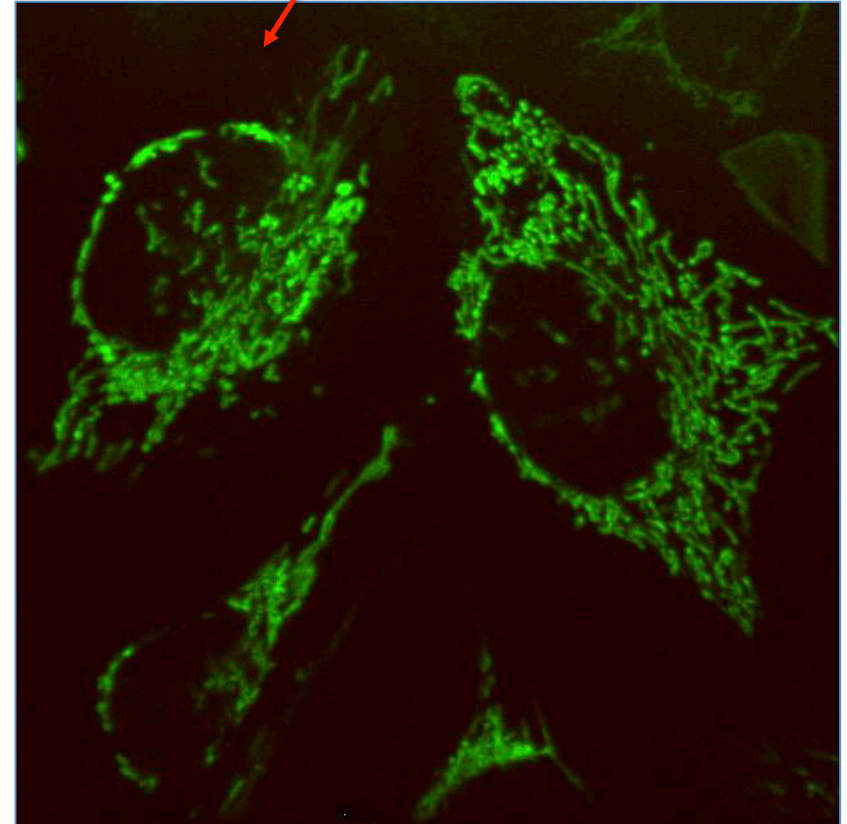
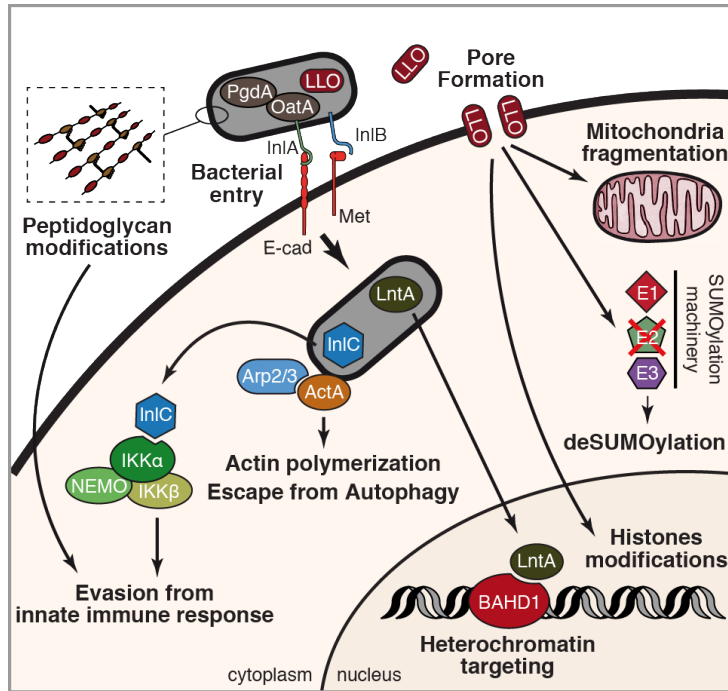


This fragmentation is required for an efficient infection

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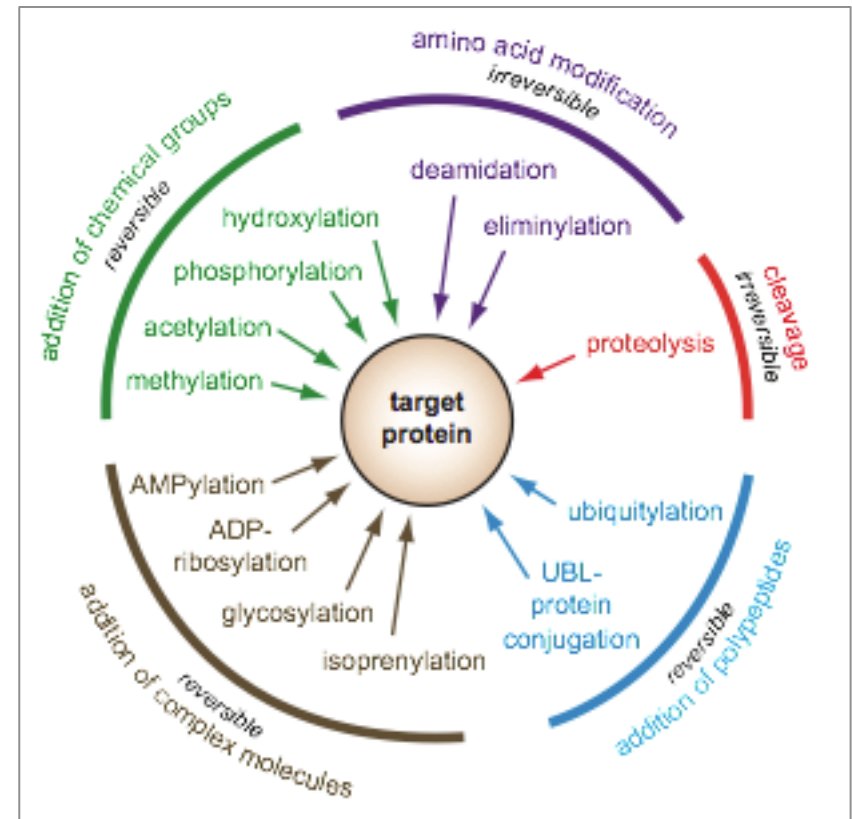
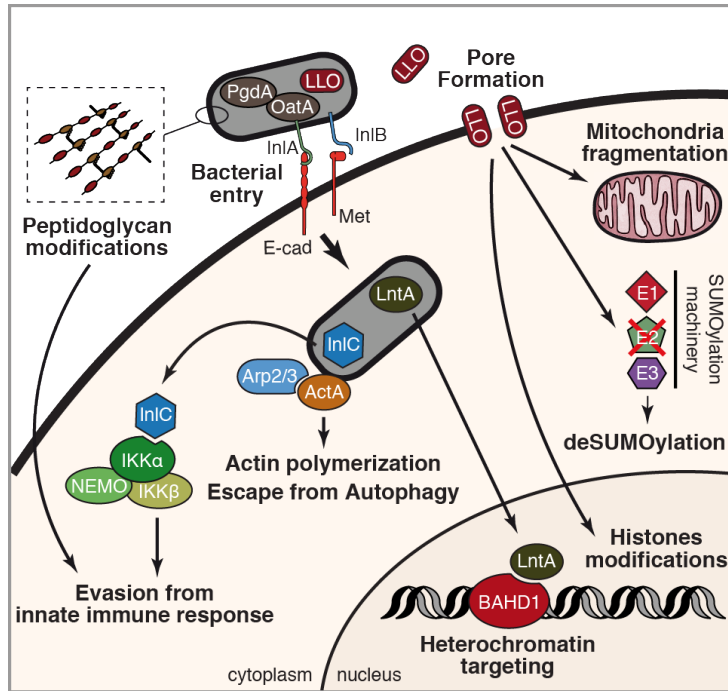


***Listeria* mediates a Drp1-independent fragmentation critical for infection**

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# Listeria infection and post-translational modifications

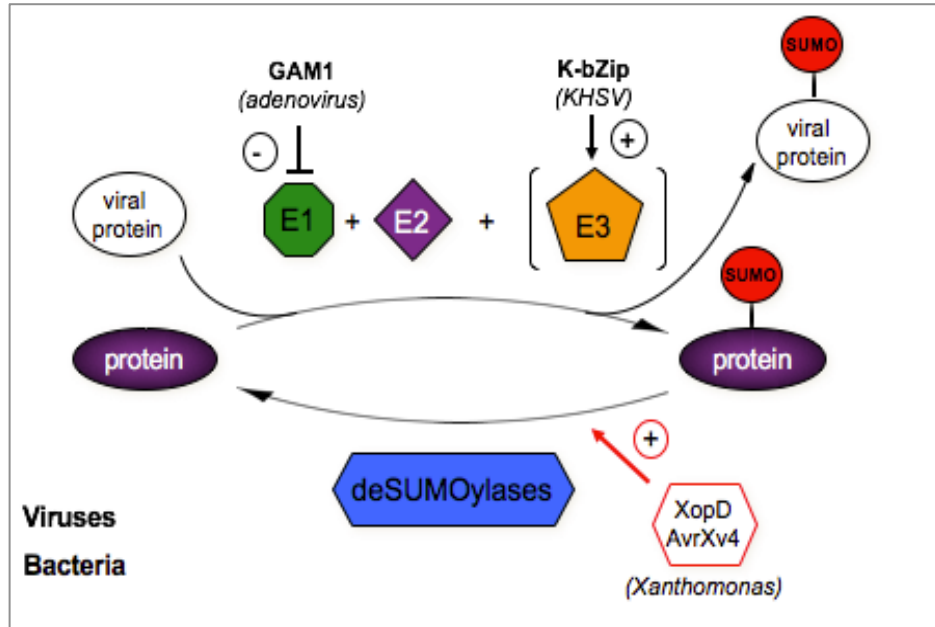
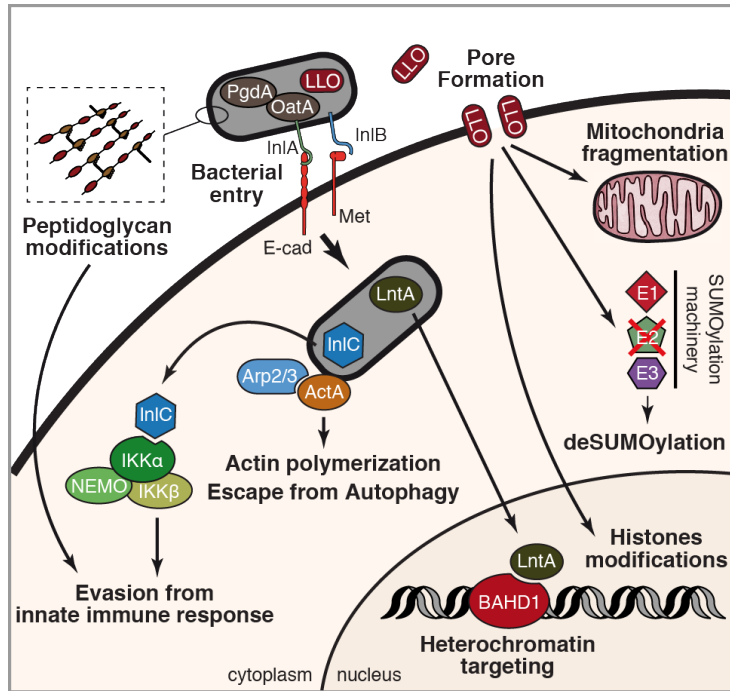
## Listeria monocytogenes : a cell biologist



Modifications of protein activities or interactions : locally, quickly , specifically

# Listeria infection and the SUMO pathway

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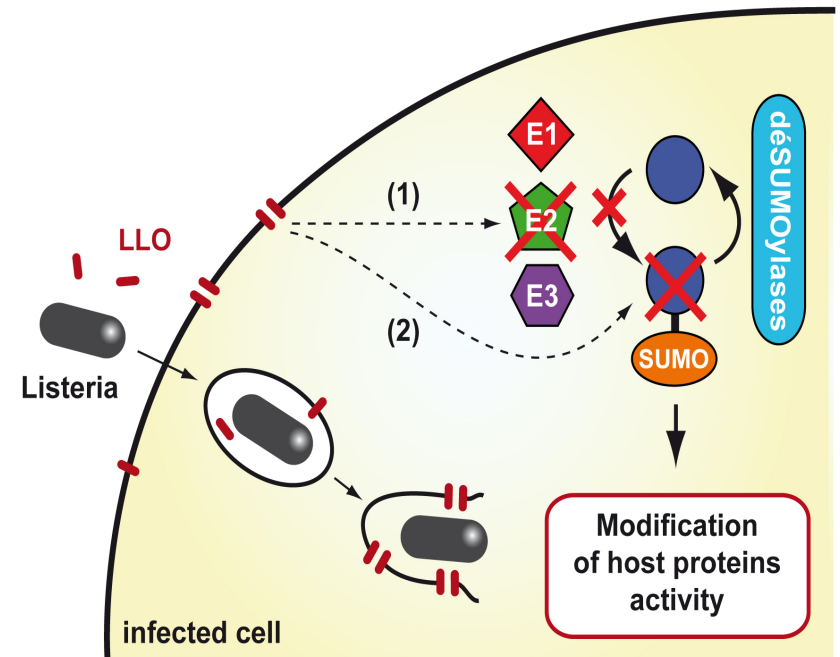
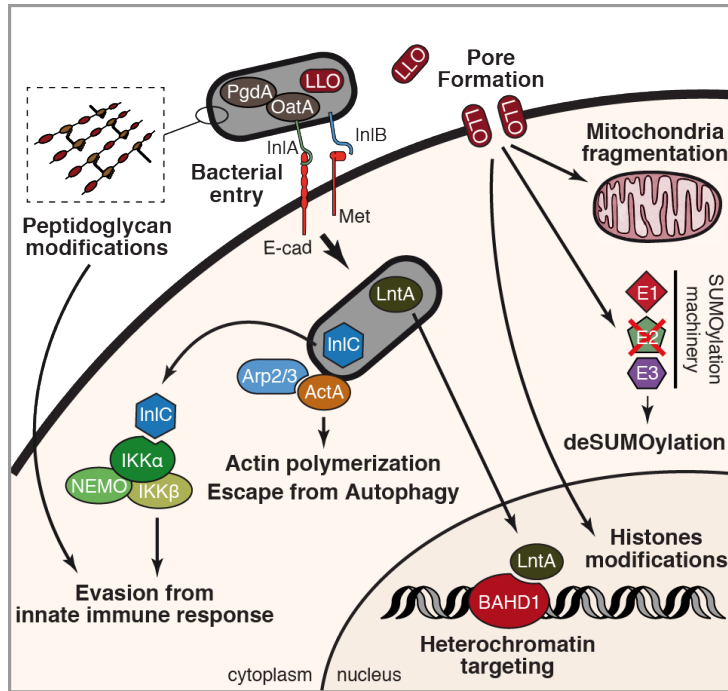


**Listeria infection induces the degradation of UBC9 via LLO**



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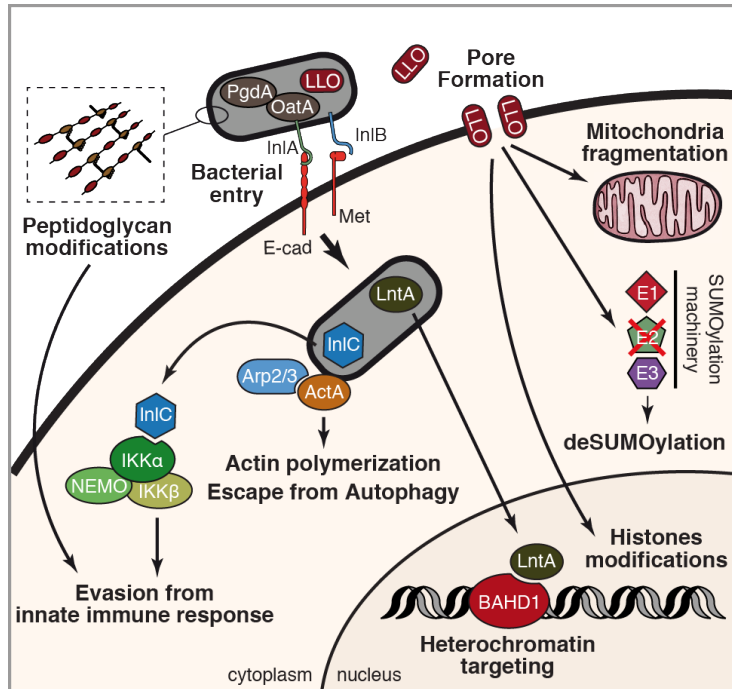
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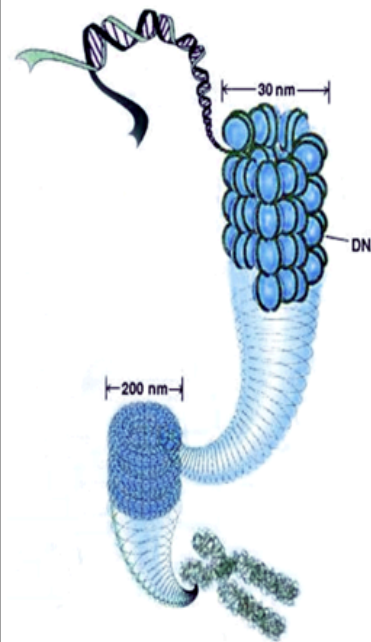
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# Listeria infection and histone modifications

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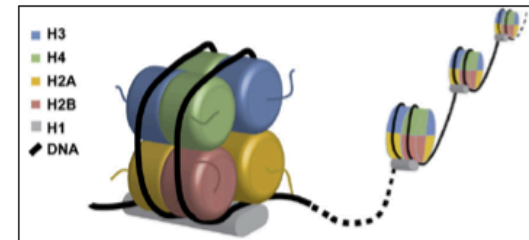


## Chromatin and nucleosome structure

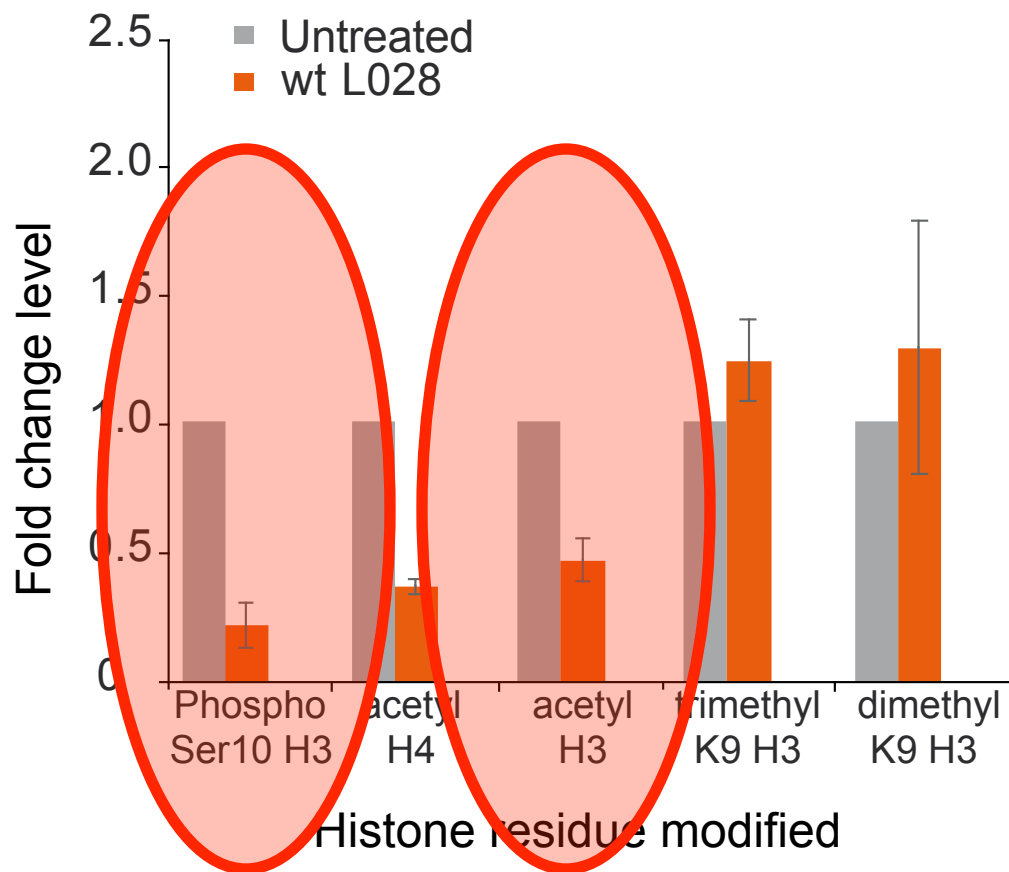


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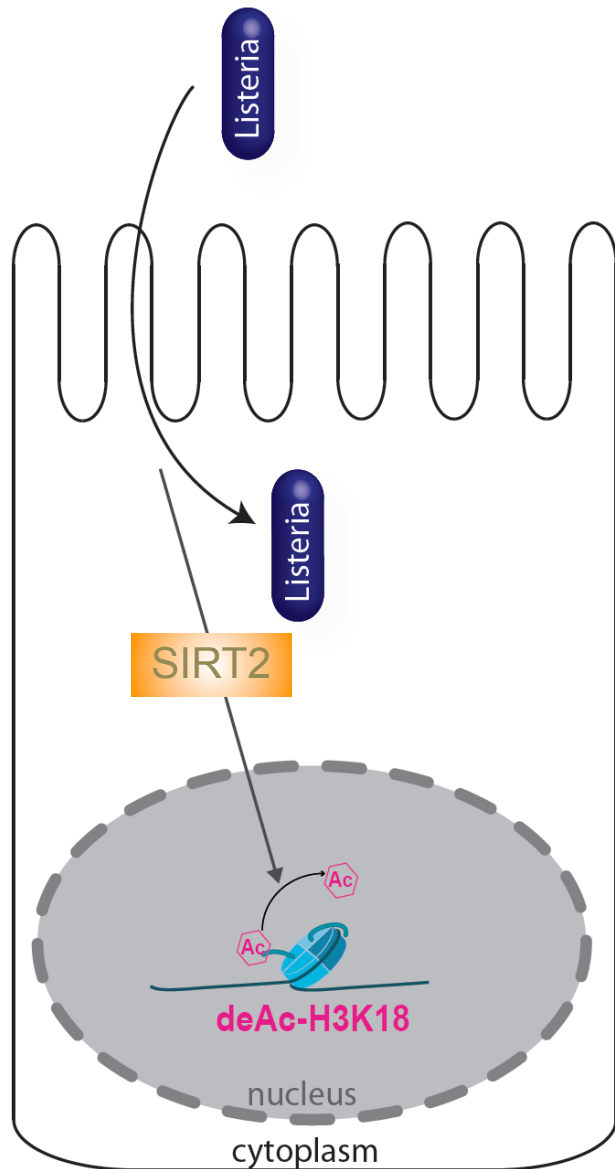
- Highly architected structure important for packaging DNA into a compact structure
- The basic unit is the nucleosome



# *L. monocytogenes* induces specific histone modifications



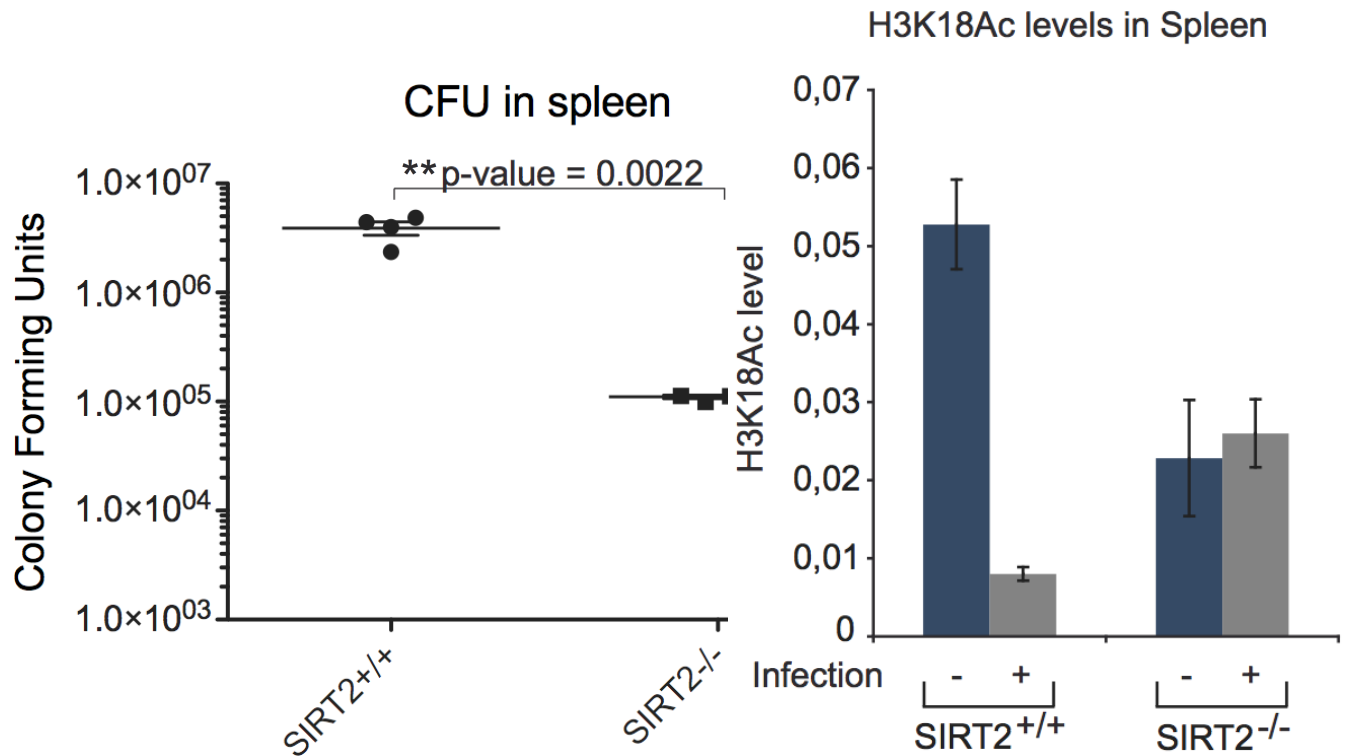
# Model for H3 deacetylation at K18



- **SIRT2**, which is normally present in the cytoplasm of interphasic cells, relocalizes to the chromatin upon infection
- Infection “activates” SIRT2 to induce H3 deacetylation and gene repression.

# Infection is lower in SIRT2<sup>-/-</sup> mice

72h EGD IV-infection of C57BL6 male mice



The histone modifier Sirt2 is essential for infection

# Take home messages

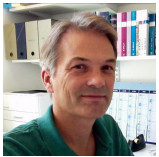
- *Listeria* virulence genes are thermoregulated via a **RNA thermosensor**, a special type of RNA riboswitch responding to temperature
- The internalin E-cadherin interaction mediates crossing of the intestinal barrier, as demonstrated by infection of **transgenic human Ecad mice**
- The study of *Listeria* entry into cells has led to a change in paradigm concerning **clathrin**
- ActA has been instrumental to discover and characterize **the role of Arp2/3** in actin-based motility
- *Listeria* uses tricks of commensals such as a **bile salt hydrolase**
- Mitochondrial dynamics is critical for infection. Infection affects **mitochondria**
- Infection affects **epigenetic/chromatin regulators**

# *Listeria* cell infection process



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