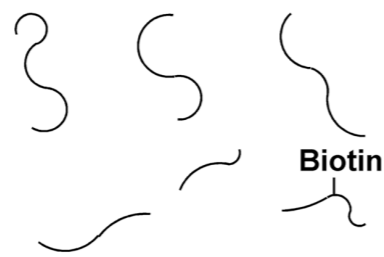
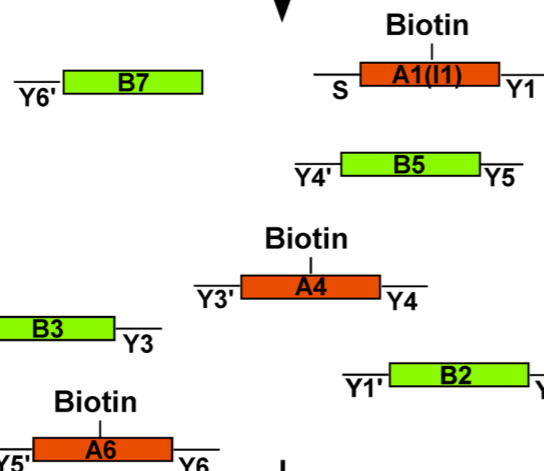


Seed Formation

9 DNA strands per tile

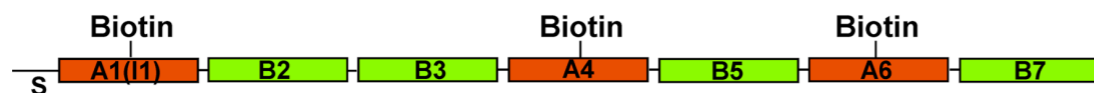


(1) Seed Tiles Annealed Separately



7 specific tiles with sticky ends

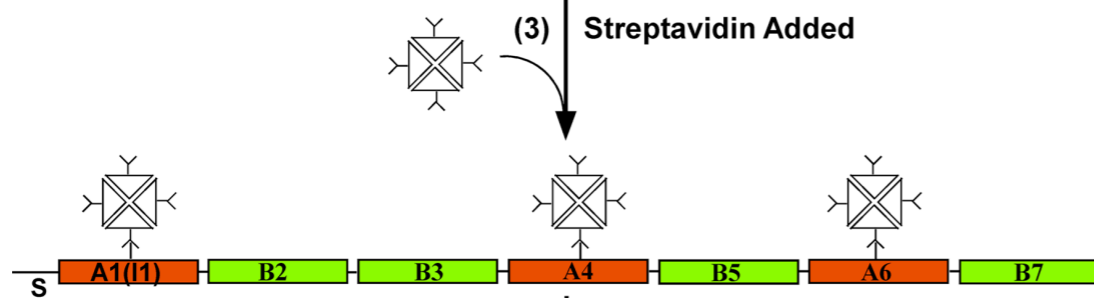
(2) Tiles Mixed Together



seeds

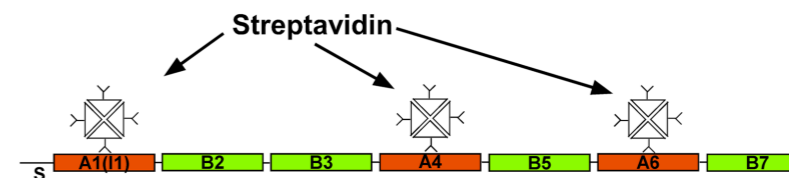
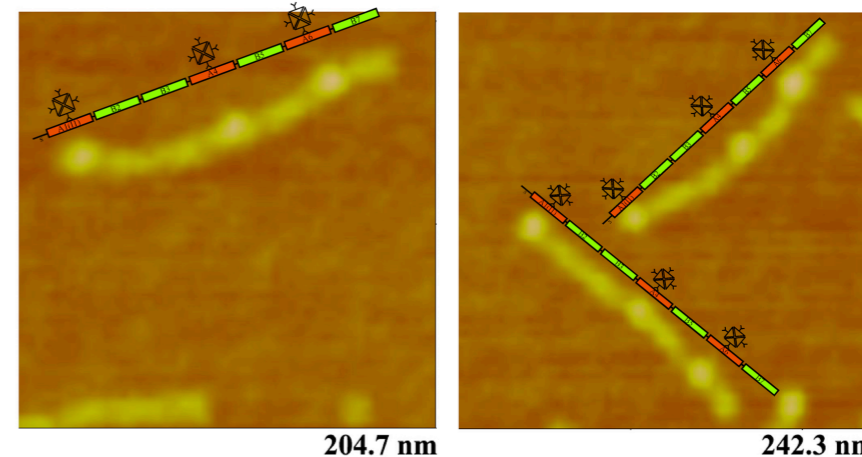
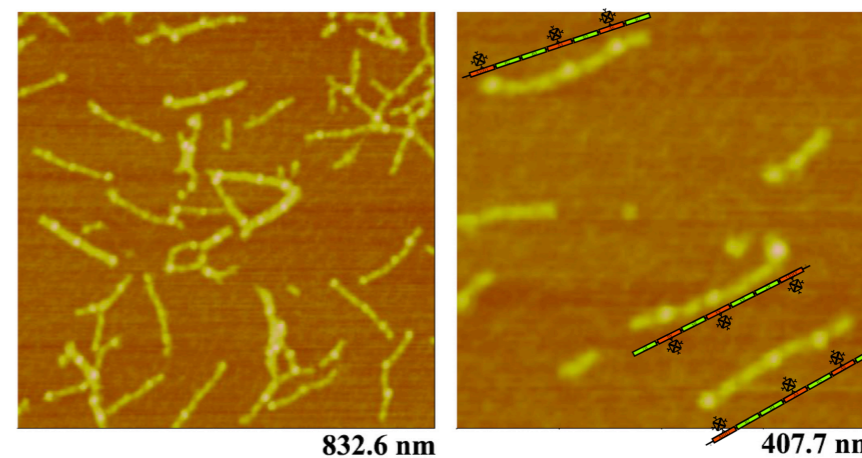
First Generation

(3) Streptavidin Added

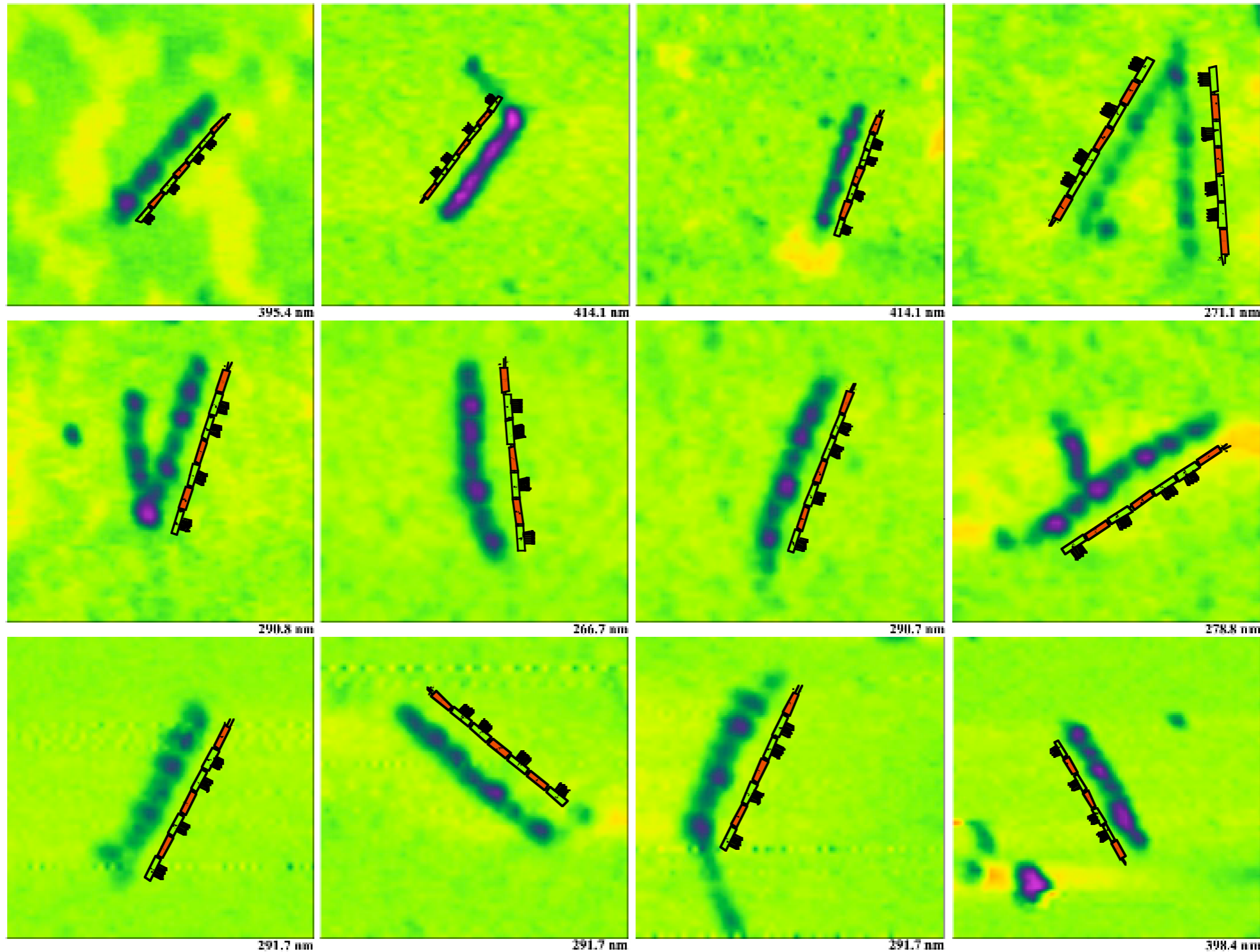


AFM Imaging

AFM images of seeds



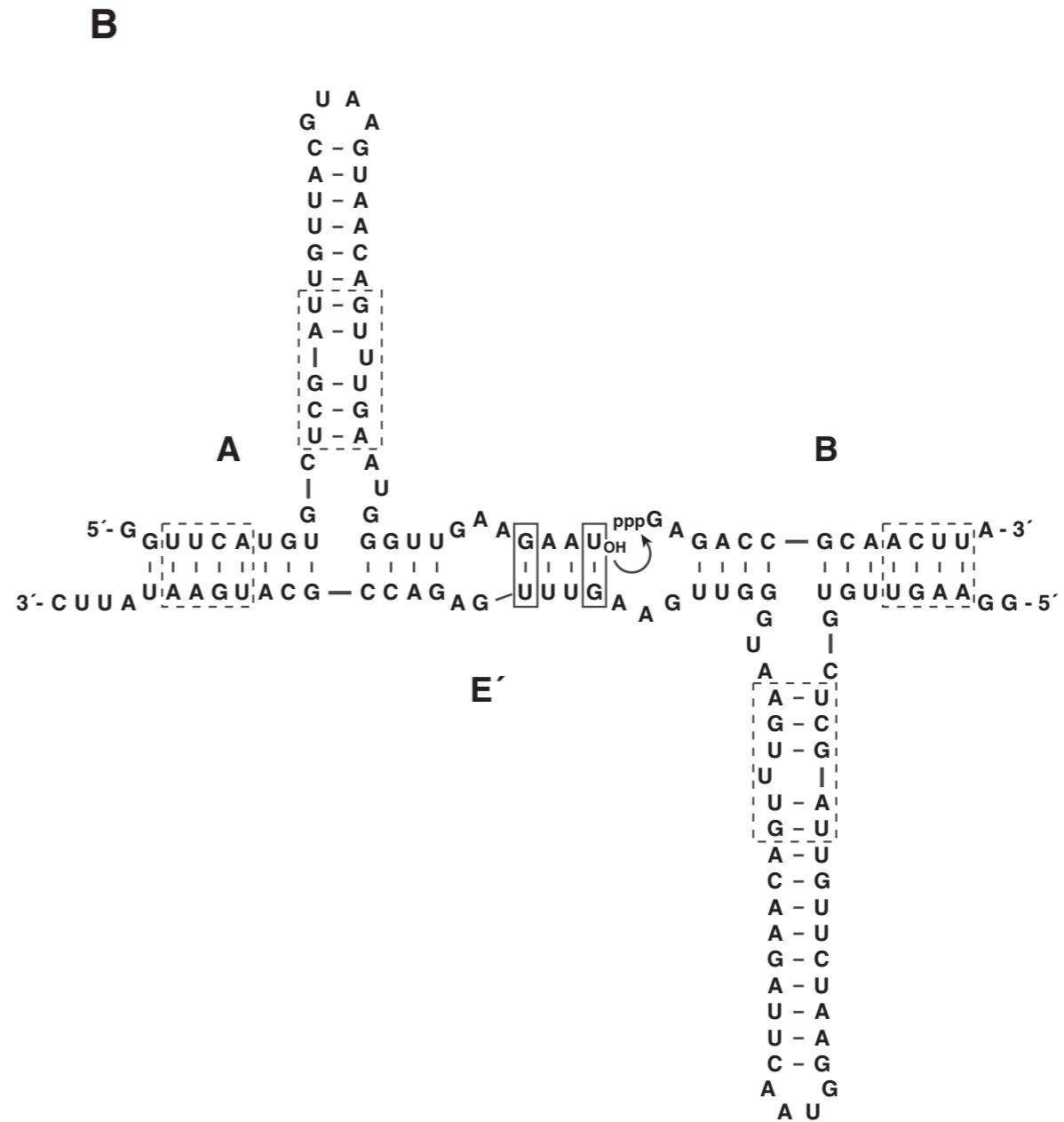
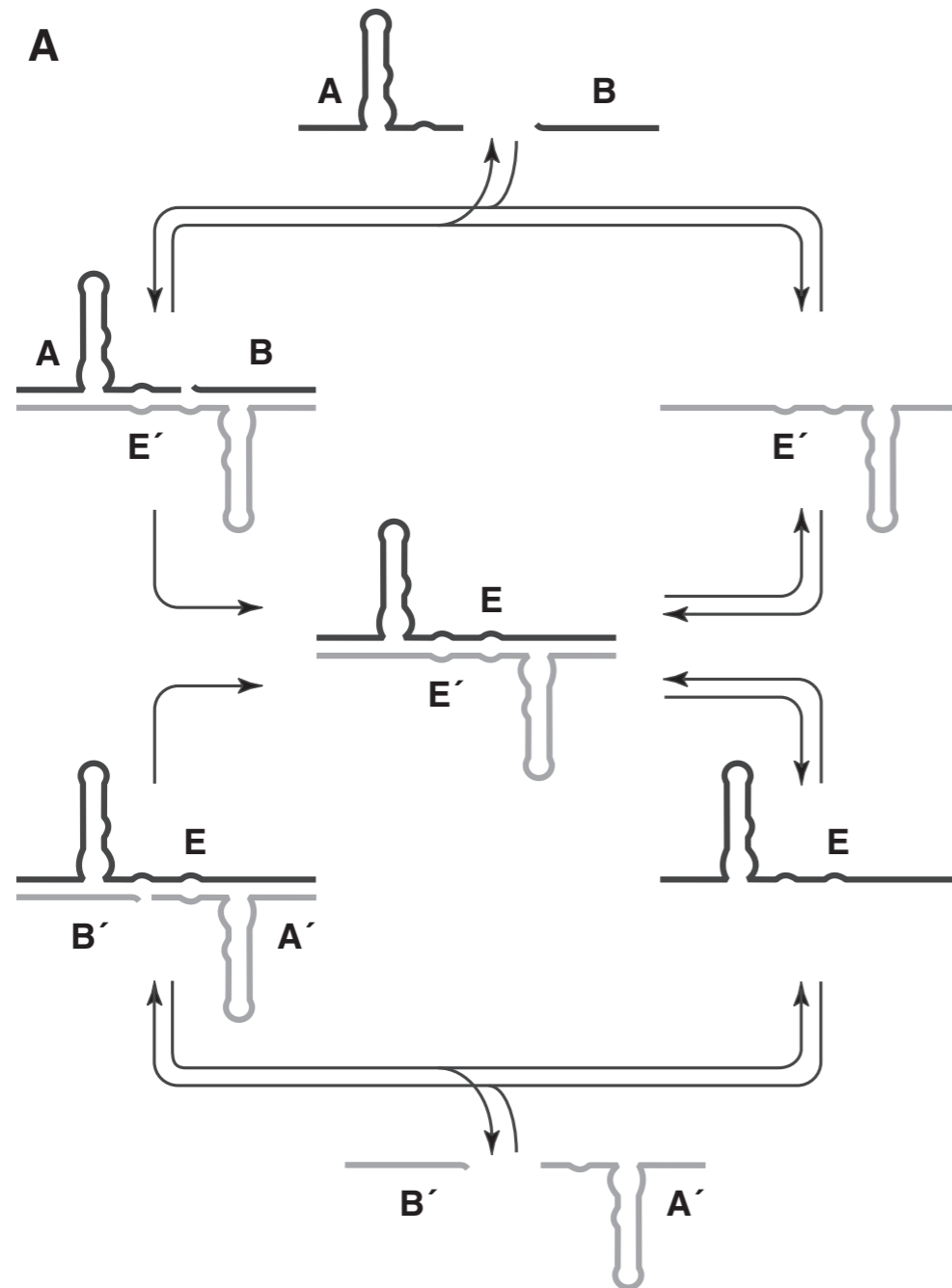
Daughters Labeled with Hairpins ~ 60% yield



Self-Sustained Replication of an RNA Enzyme

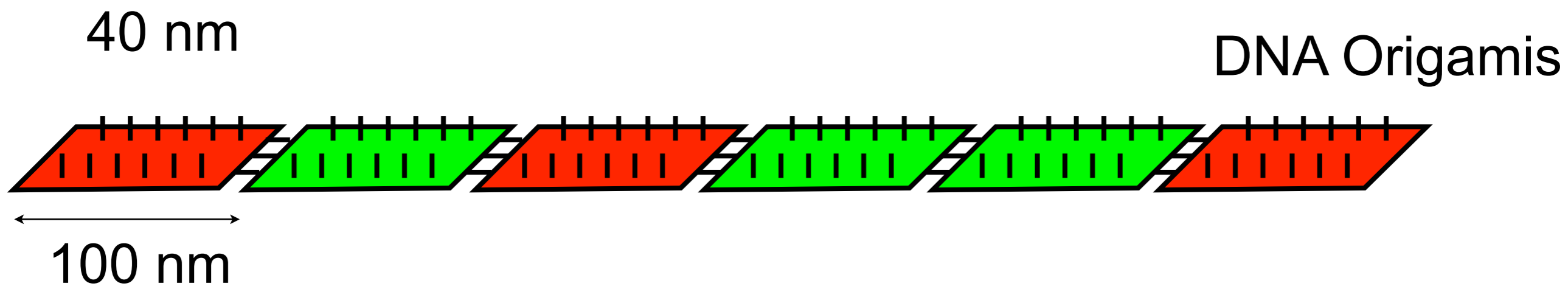
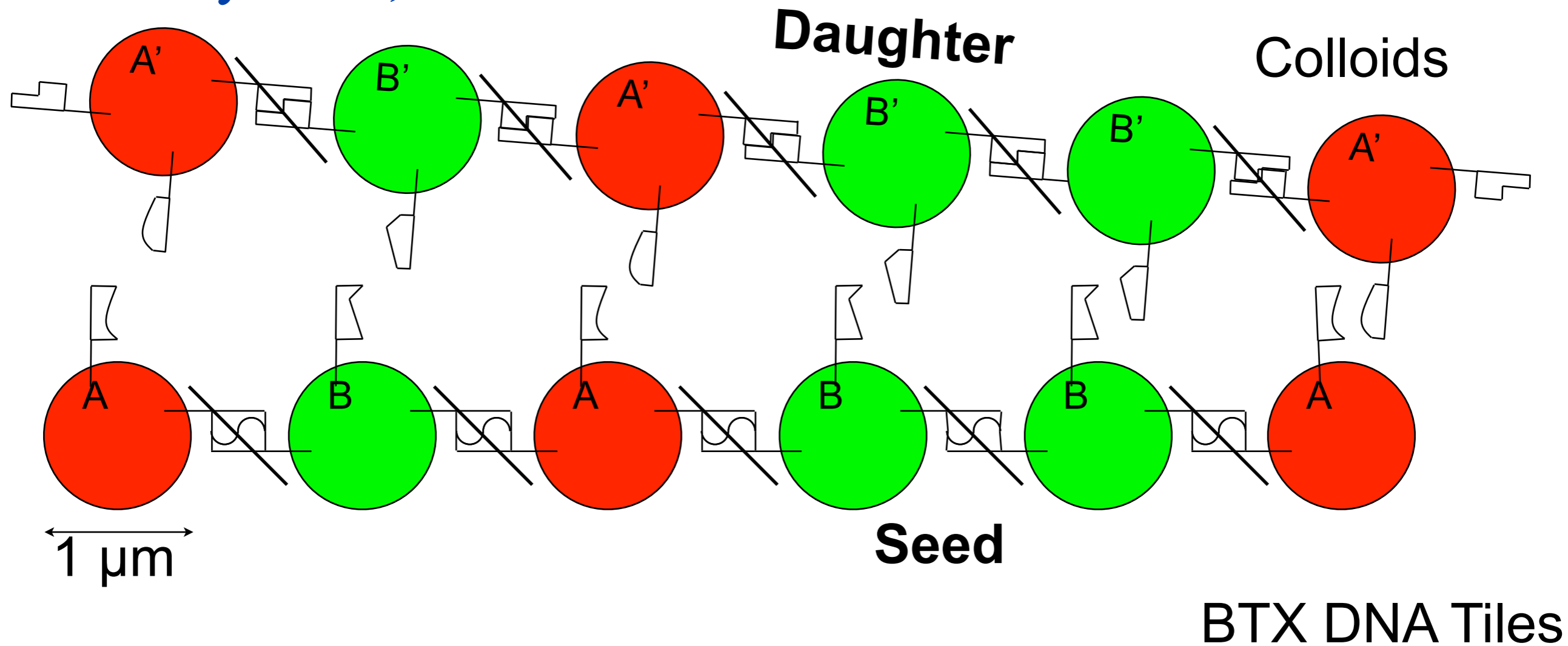
Tracey A. Lincoln and Gerald F. Joyce*

SCIENCE, 323, 1229, 2009



Why don't we try two tiles? And do it with Origamis

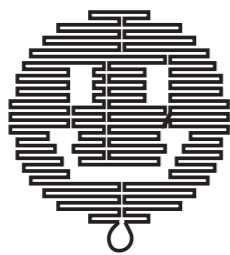
Different systems, same idea



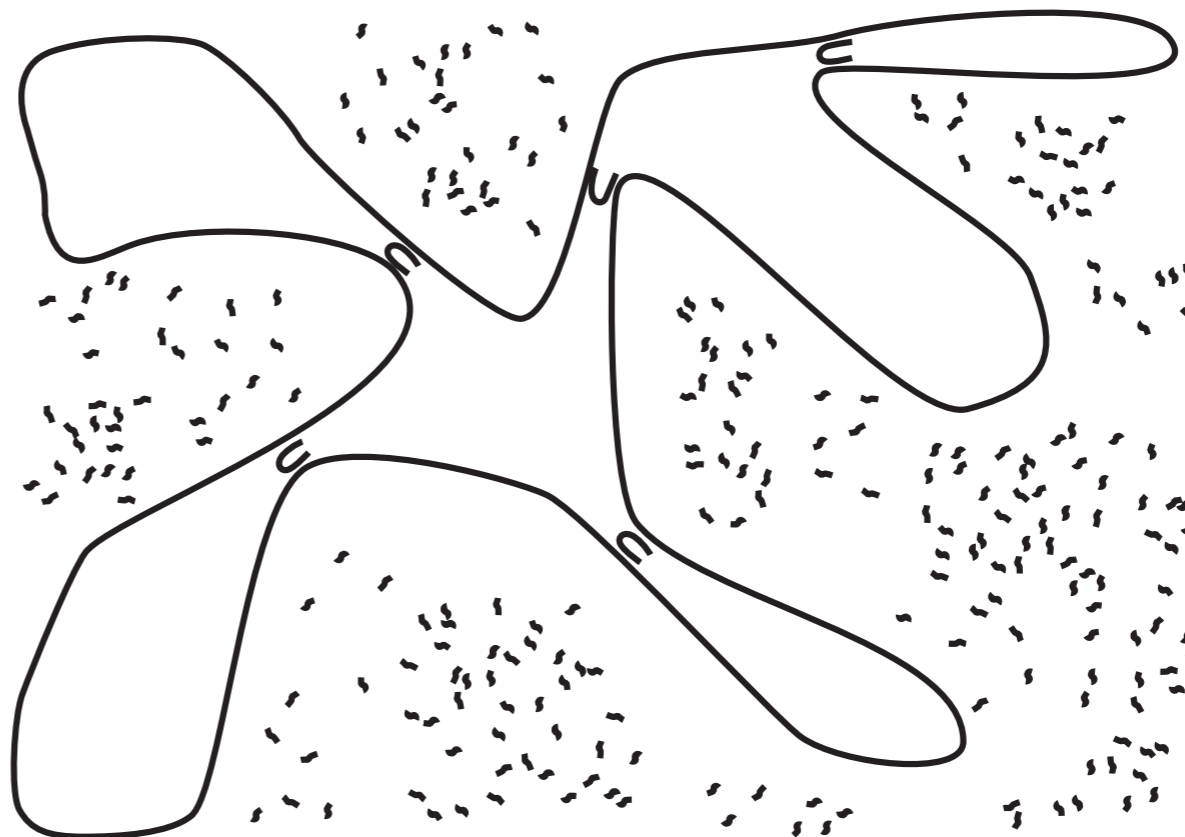
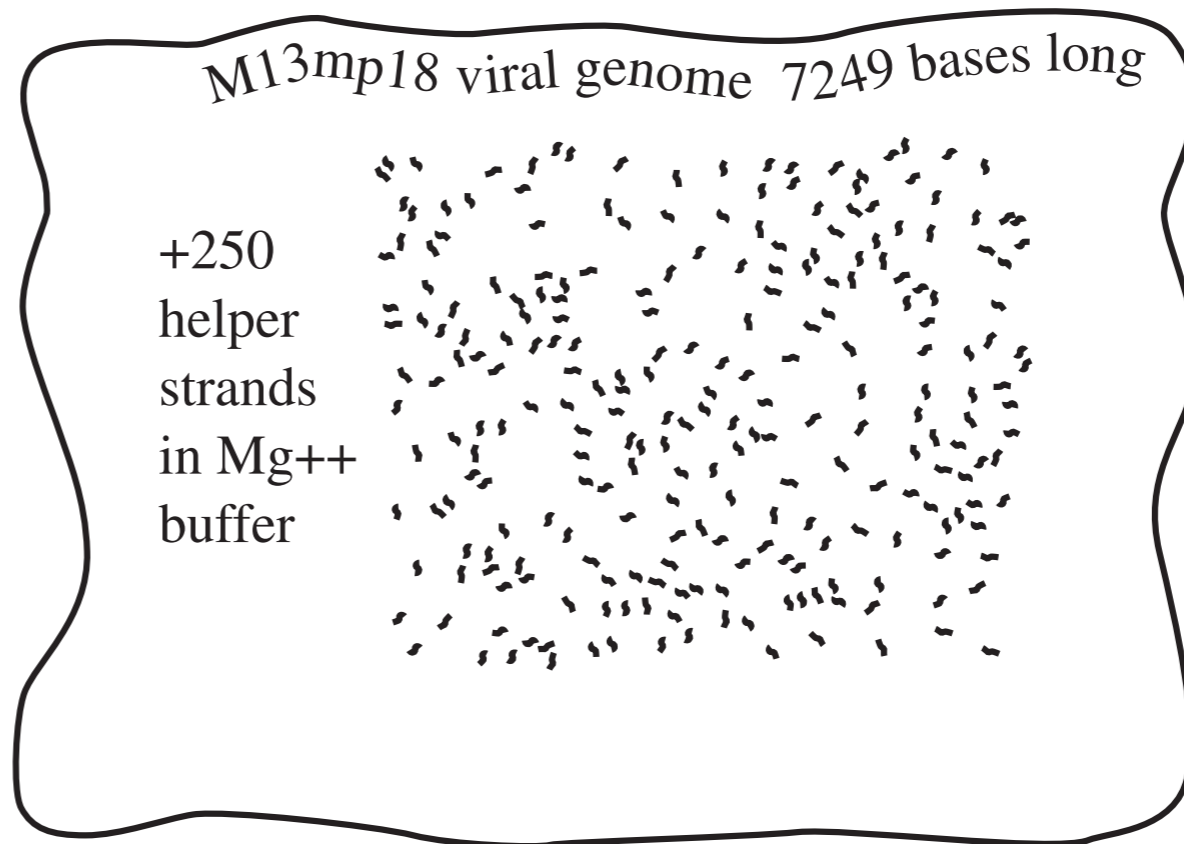
Design of DNA origami

Paul W.K. Rothemund

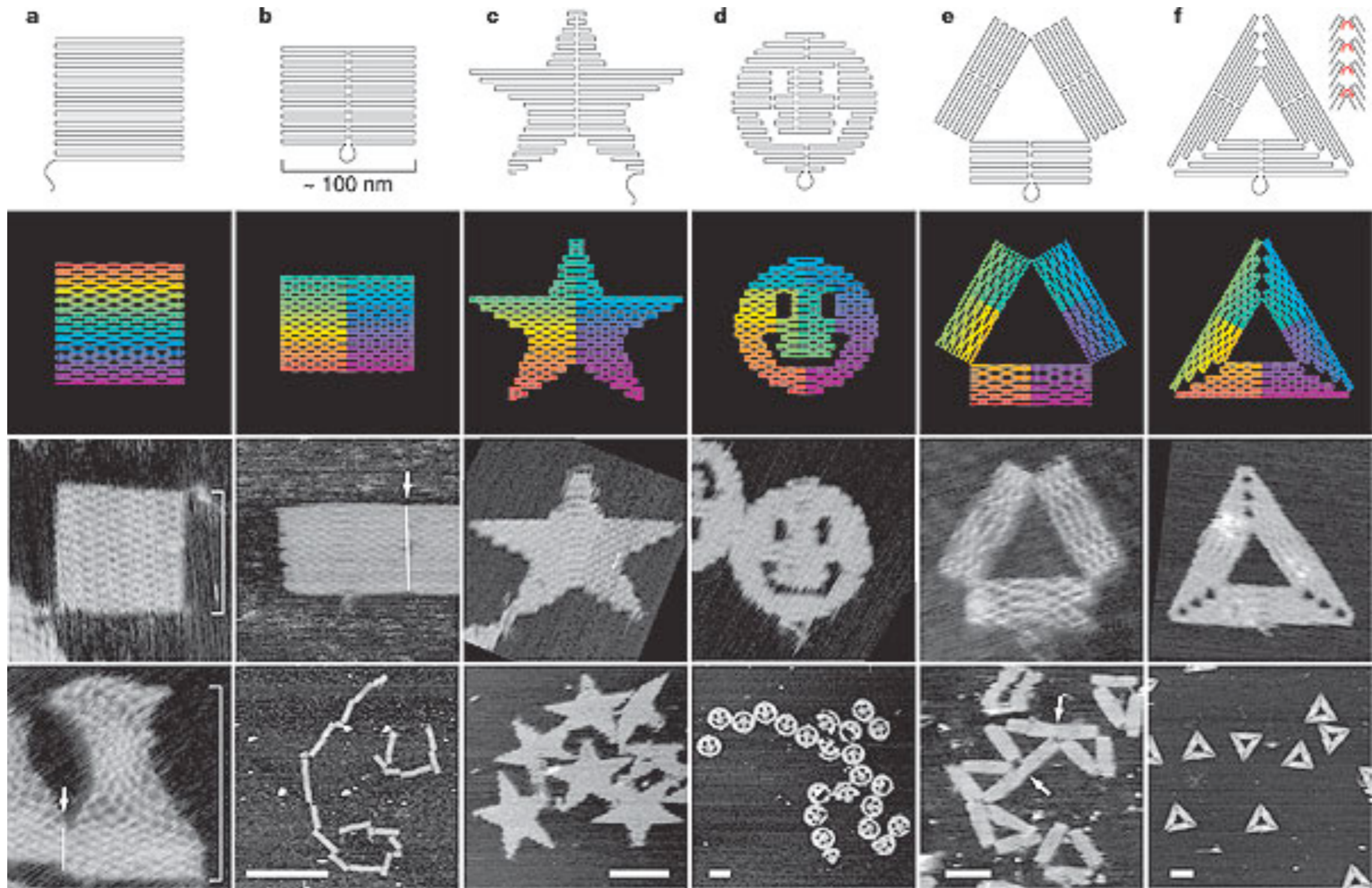
Computer Science and Computation and Neural Systems
California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125
pwkr@dna.caltech.edu

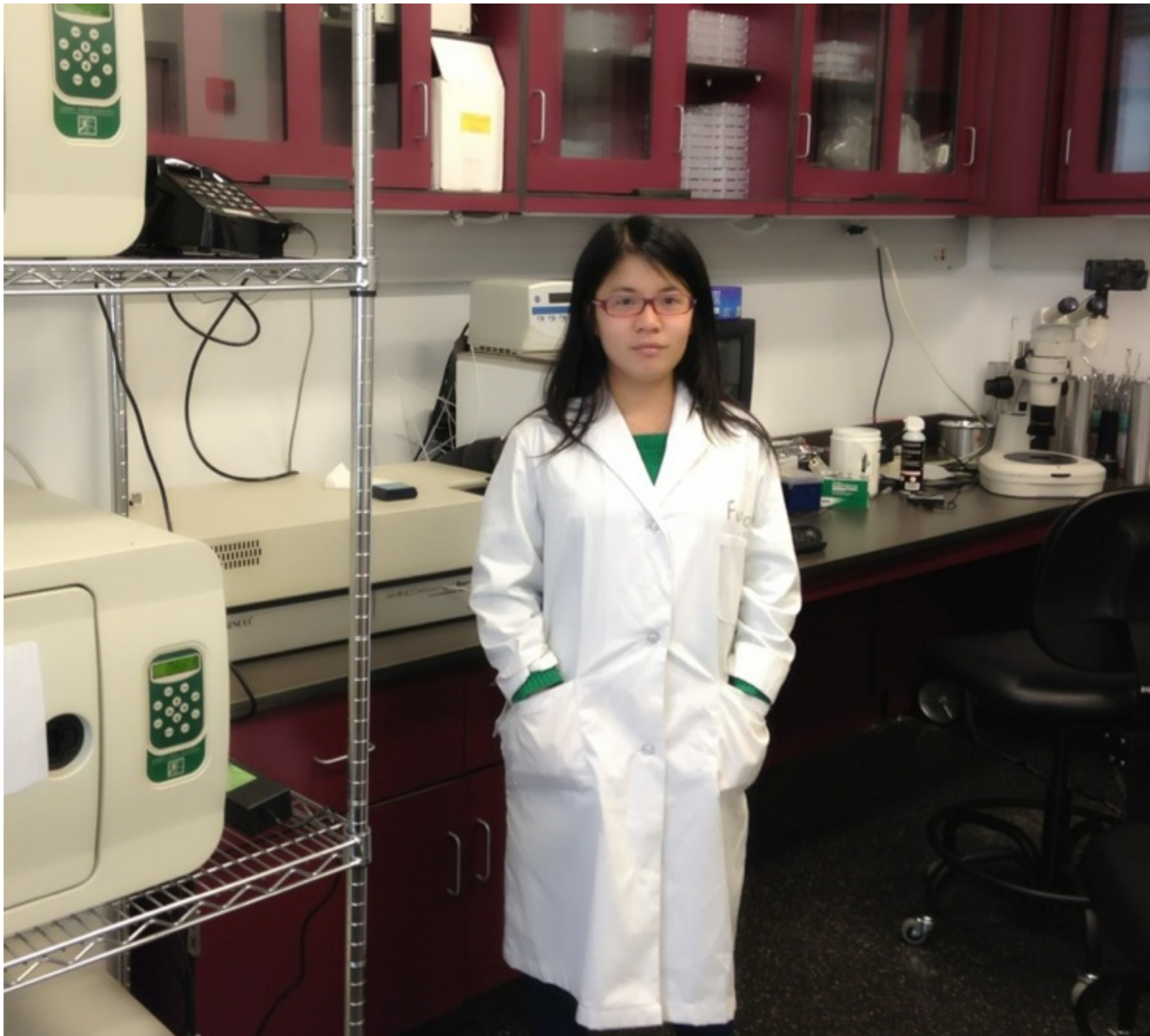


100 nm



Rothemund's DNA Origamis



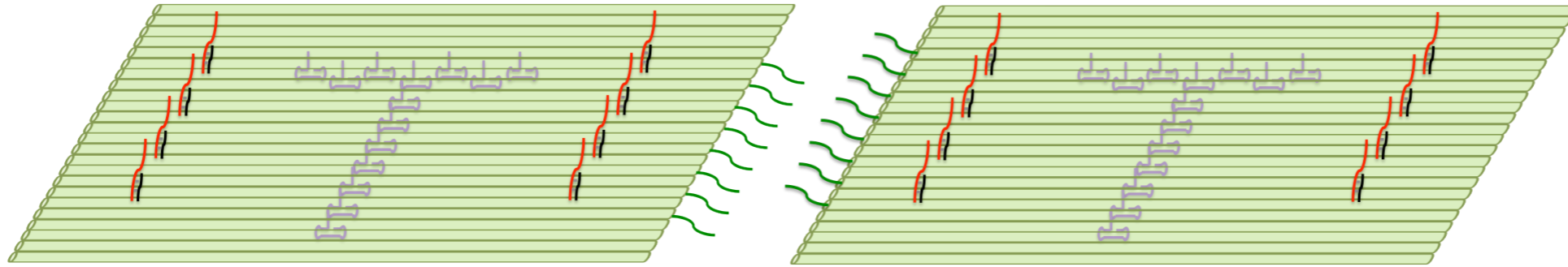


Xiaojin He

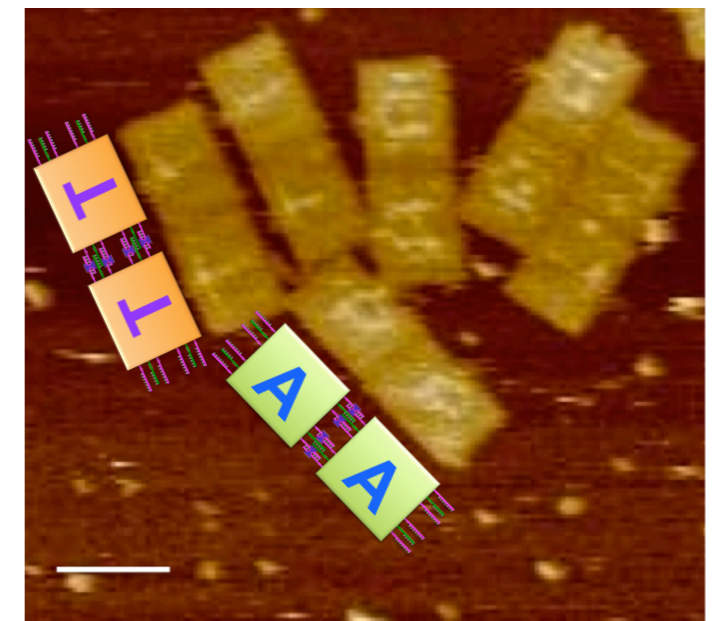
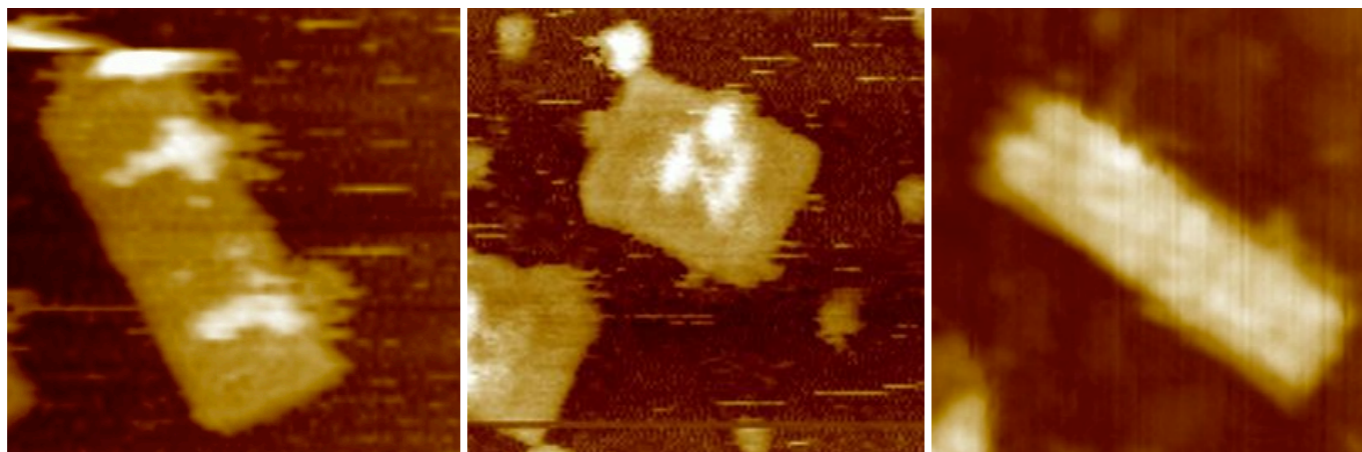
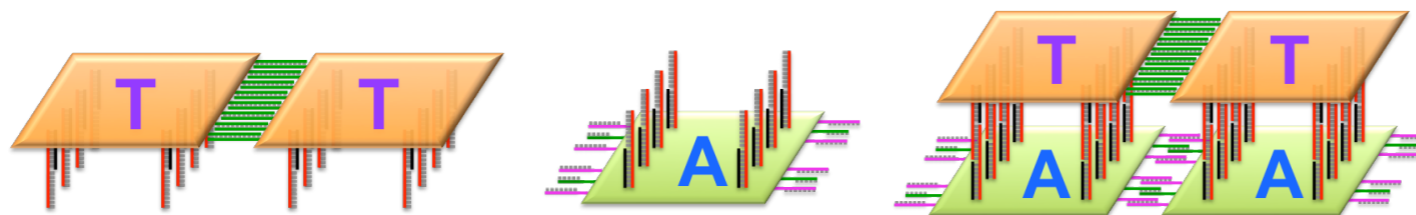
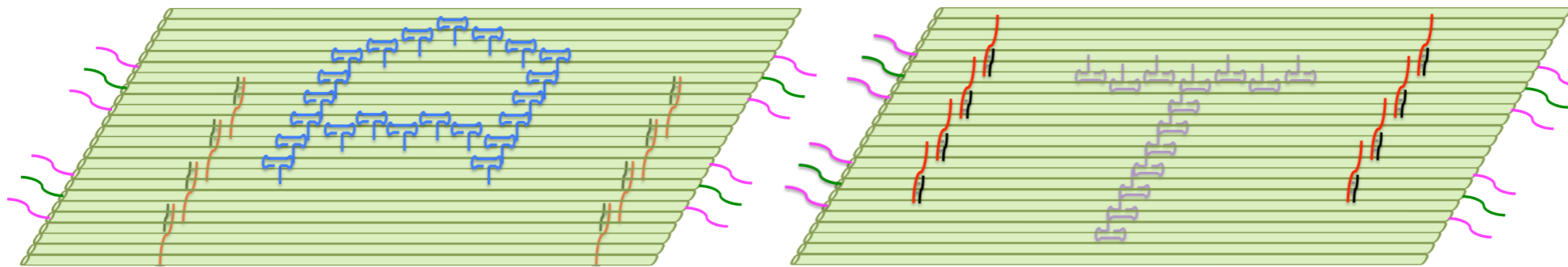
HKUST/NYU

Basic tile set for self-replication

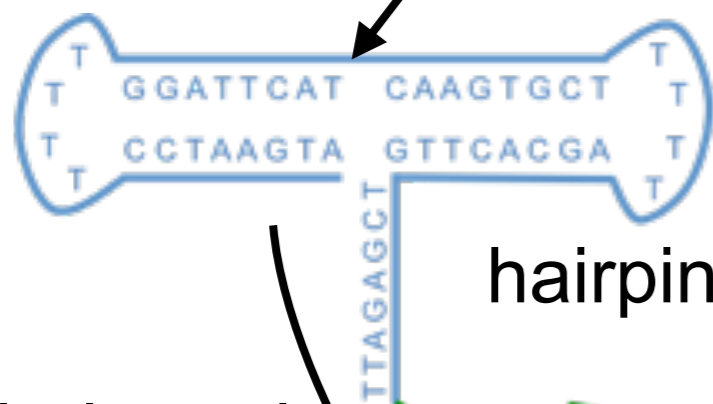
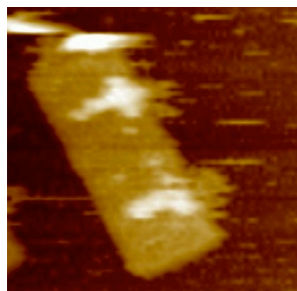
SEED TILES



LATER-GENERATION TILES



Labelling with letter "T"



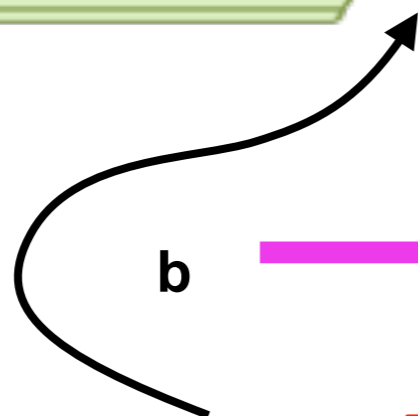
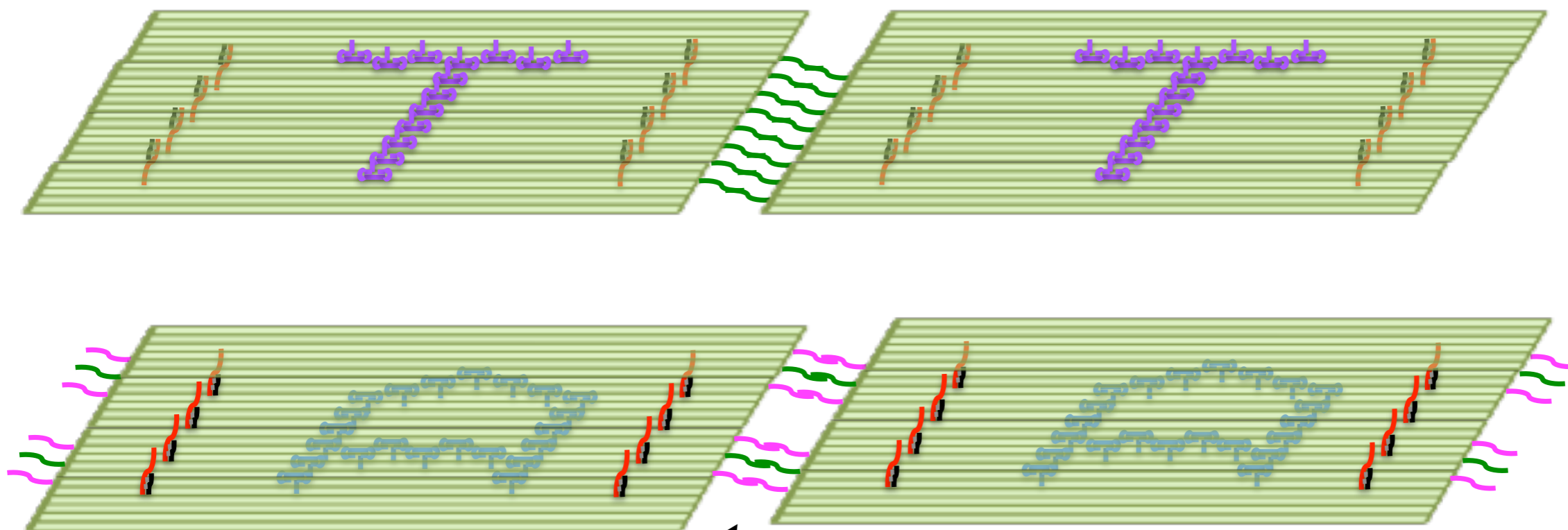
hairpin dot

hairpin end

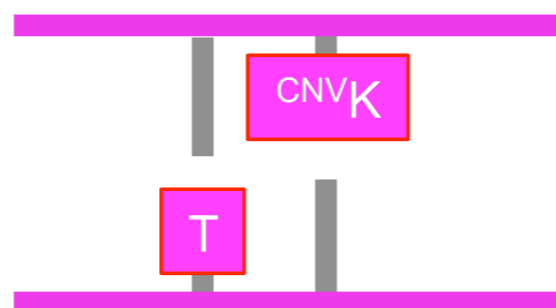
staple end



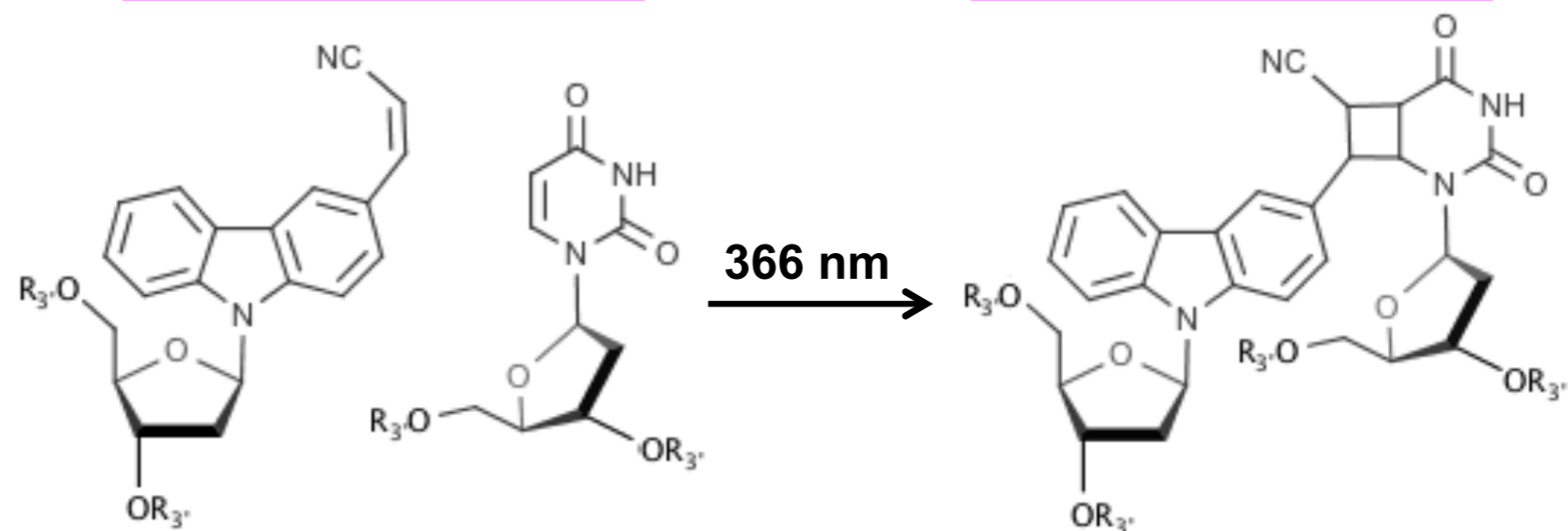
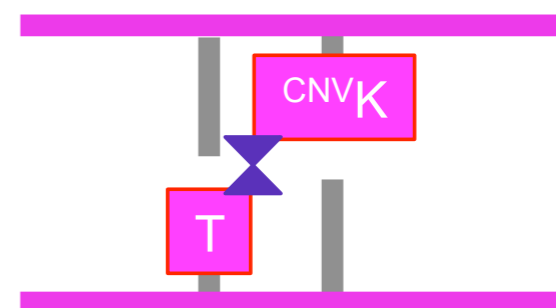
T-050	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTCAGCAAATCGGTCAGT
T-051	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTAGGTCACAATAGGAAC GCCATCATGAGCAAA
T-059	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTGGCGAATTAATATATGT GAGTGAATAGAACCC
T-077	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTCATATATAAGCCTCAG AGCATAAATAAAGTA
T-095	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTCCGACAAAAAAAATAAT ATCCCATTAAGAGGA
T-112	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTAGCCCGAAATAAAAACC AAAATAGCCCAATCC
T-130	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTAAAGAGATGGTTTAAT
T-158	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTAAATTGTTCCATTAAA CGGGTAACAGCGCCA
T-176	ATGAATCCTTTTGGATTCATCAAGTGCTTTT TAGCACTTGTCGAGATTAAAGACAAACGTAATCAG TAGCGACTTCAGCGG



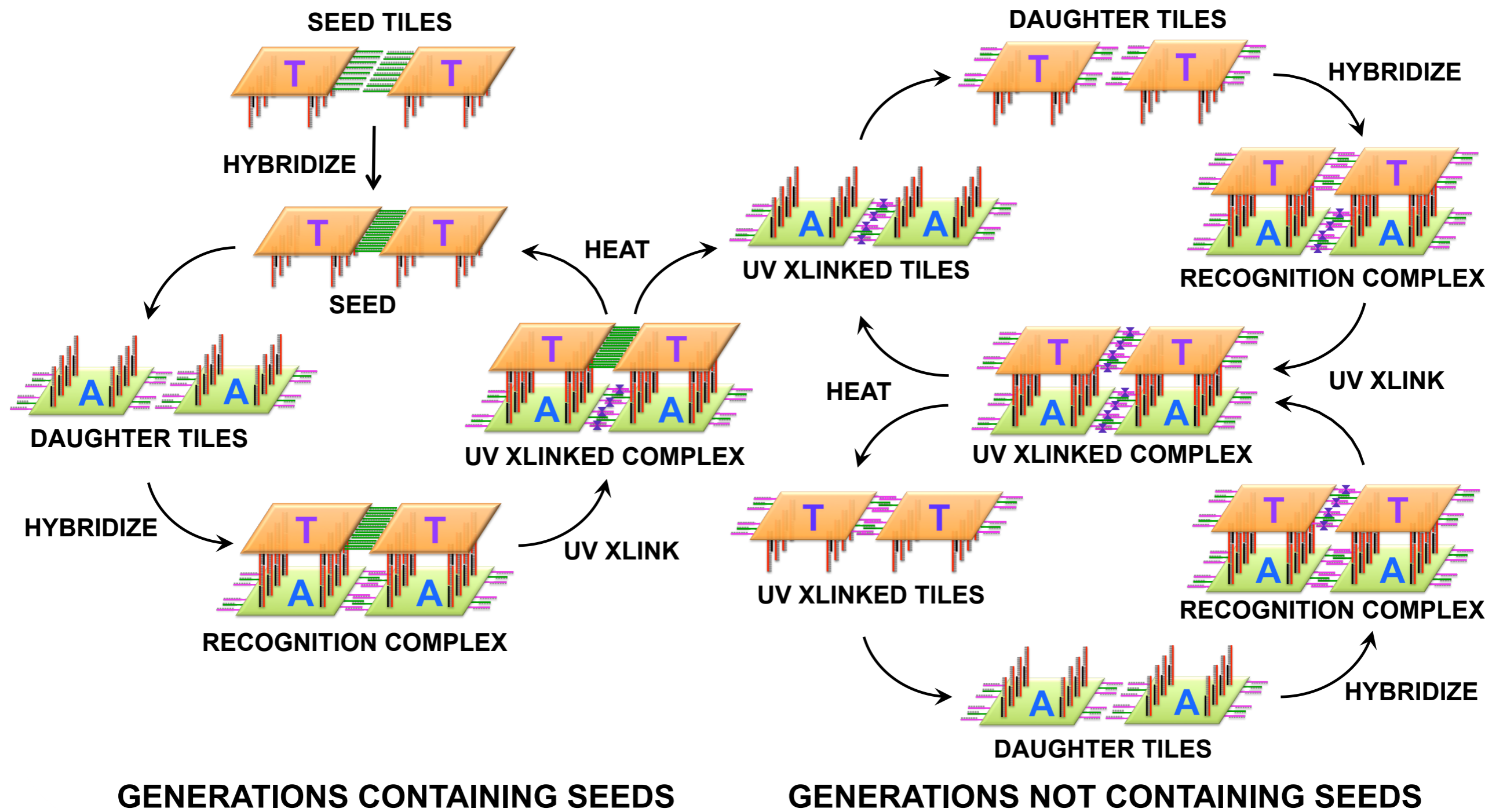
b



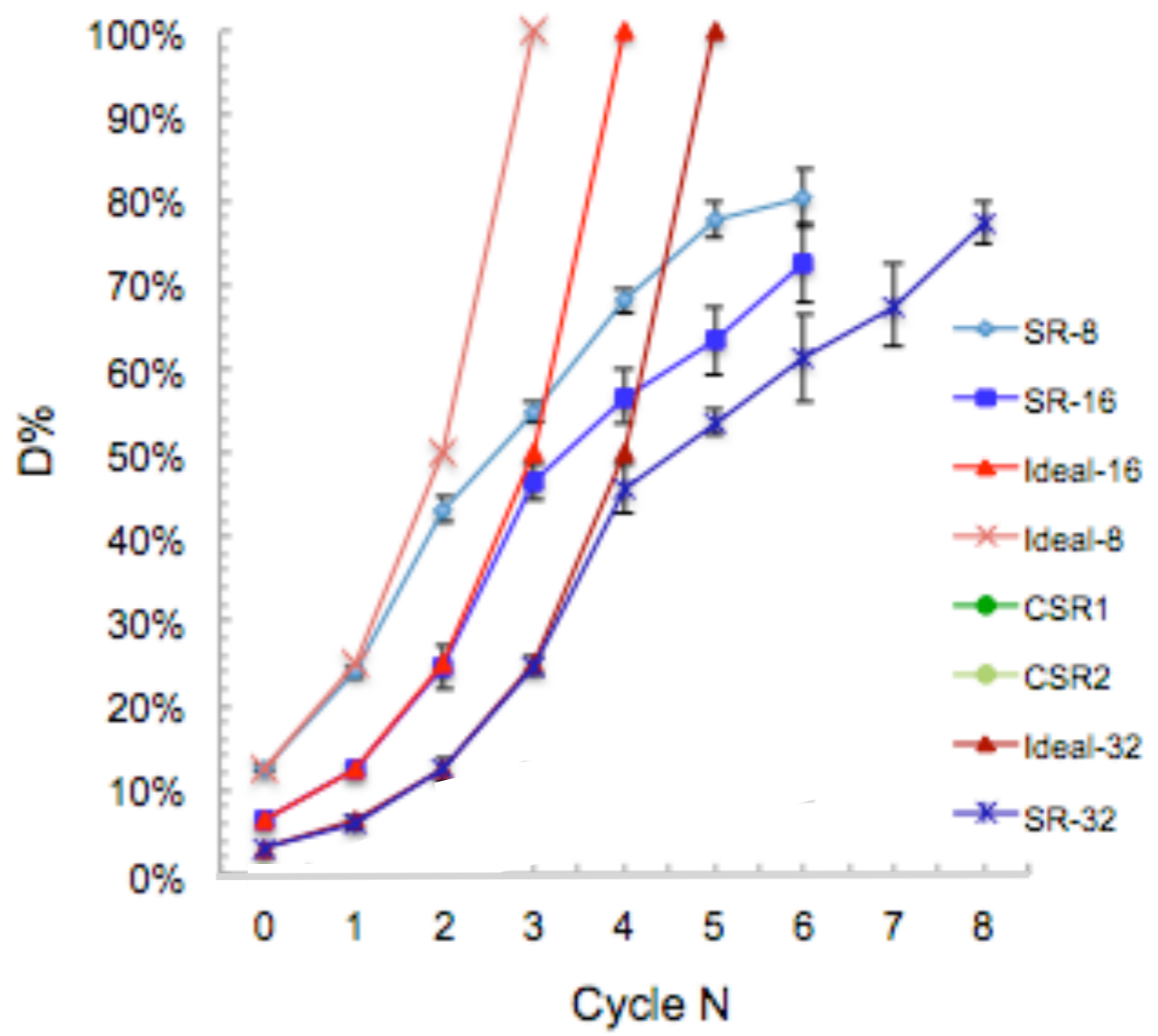
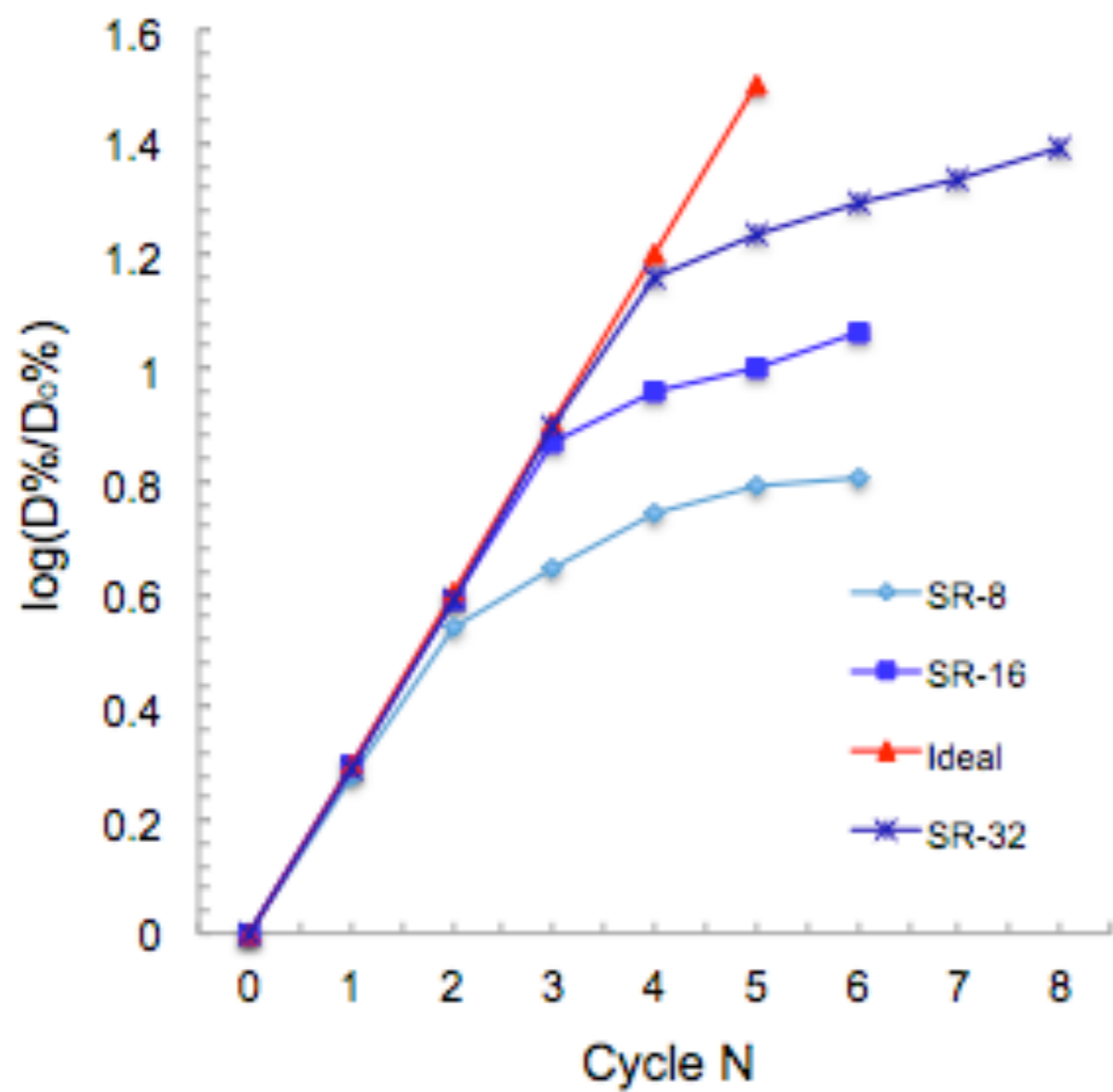
366 nm



Replication cycles - cool/UV/heat -repeat

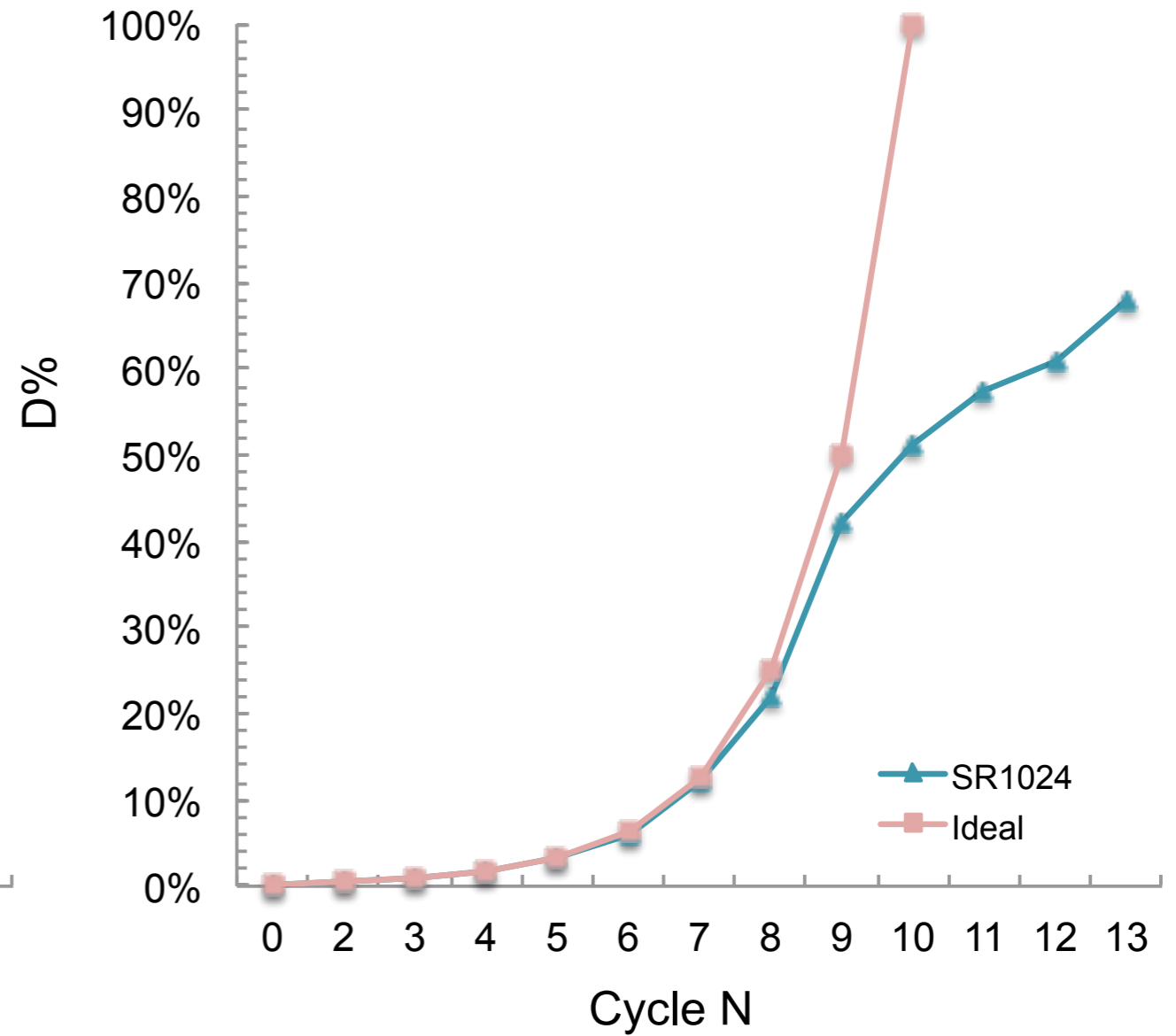
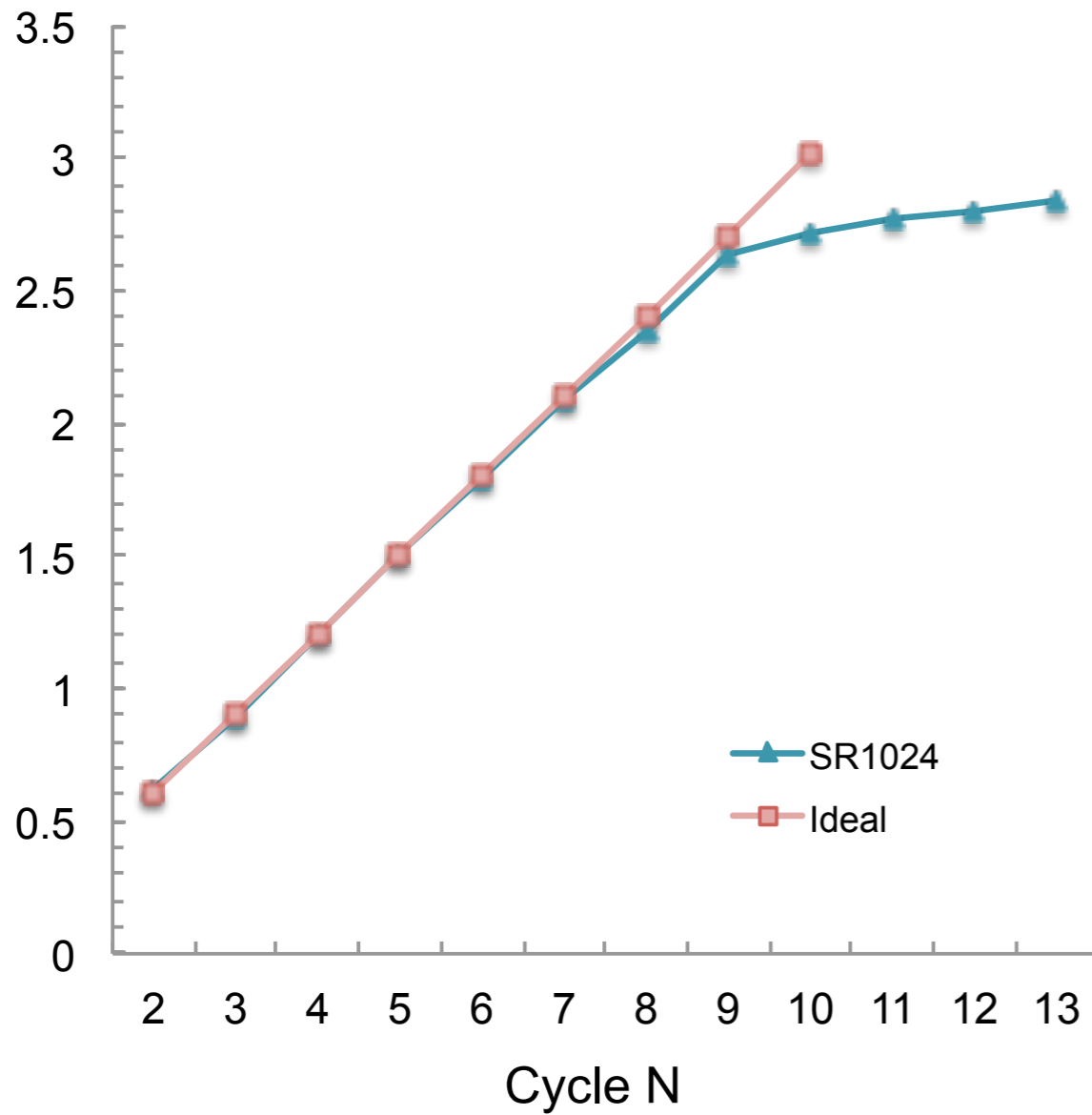


Number of Dimers Doubles each cycle!



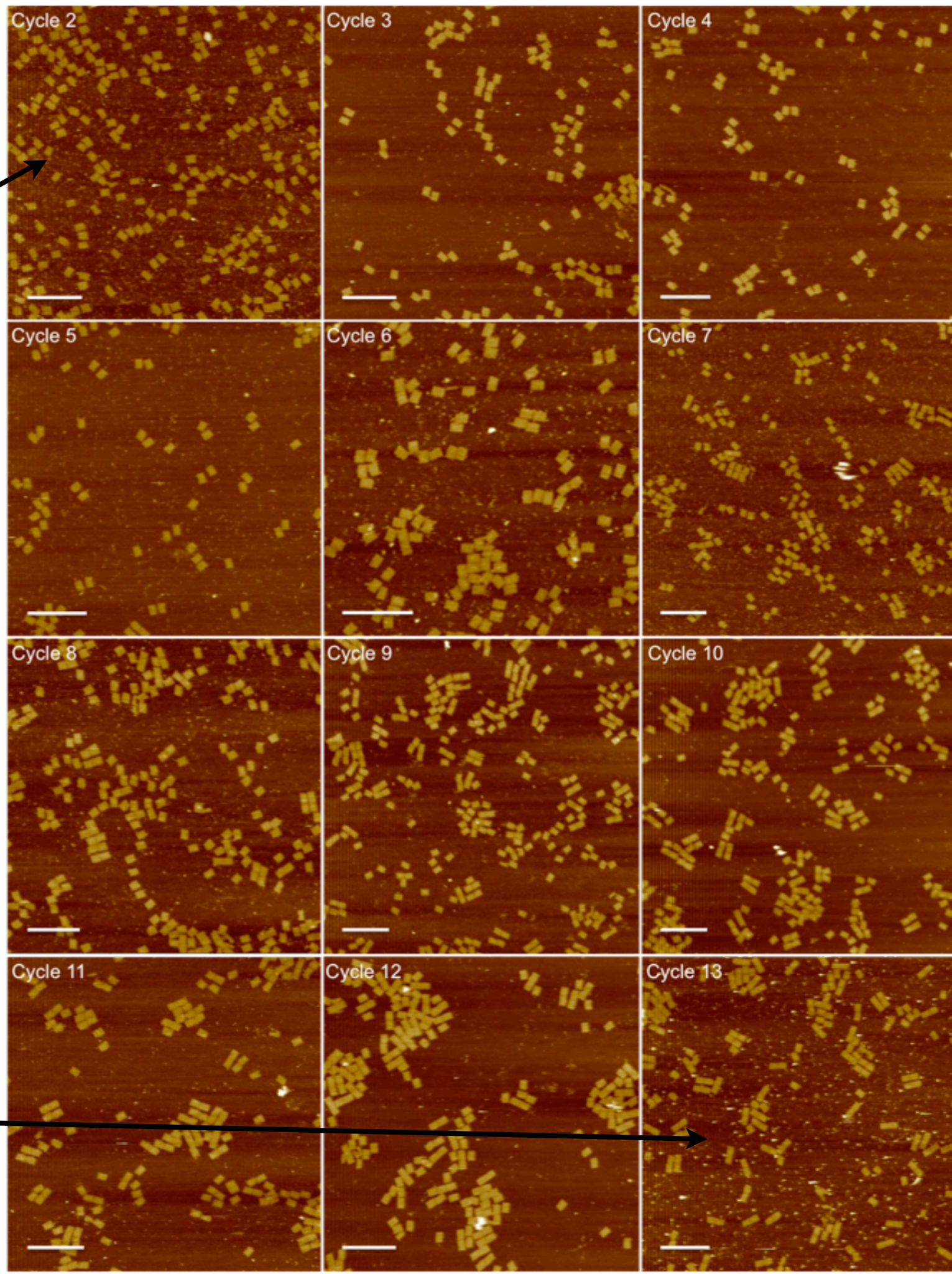
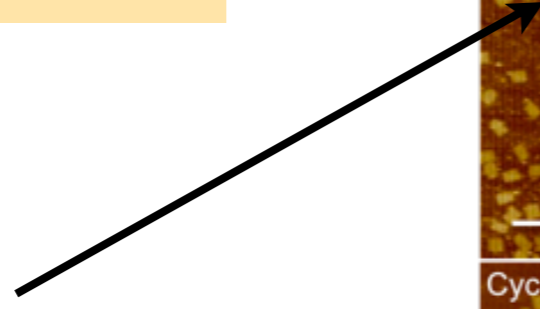
Here's 500X multiplication of seed

Self-Replication Plot (1:1024)



AFM Images of 1024 replication

mostly single tiles

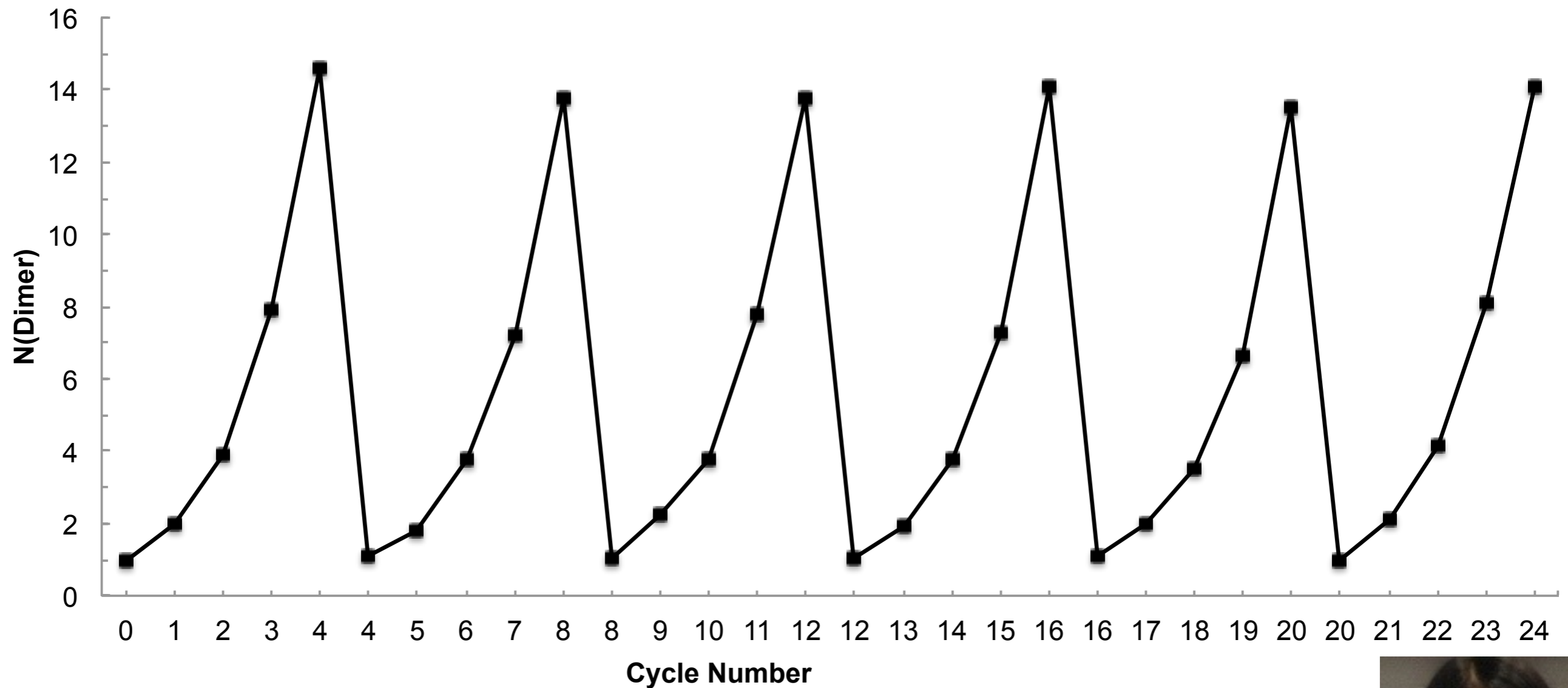


mostly dimer tiles



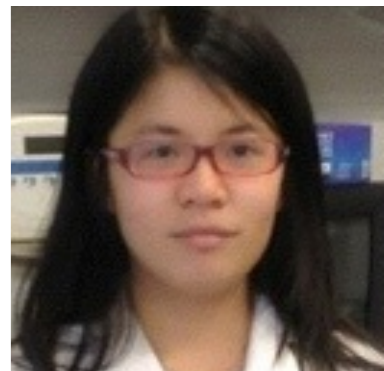
Replication by Serial Dilution

- ◆ Use the self-replicated sample (ratio: 1:32) after four cycles
- ◆ Allow approximately 14-fold amplification before transferring ~6% of the mixture to a new reaction tube that contained a fresh supply of monomers.

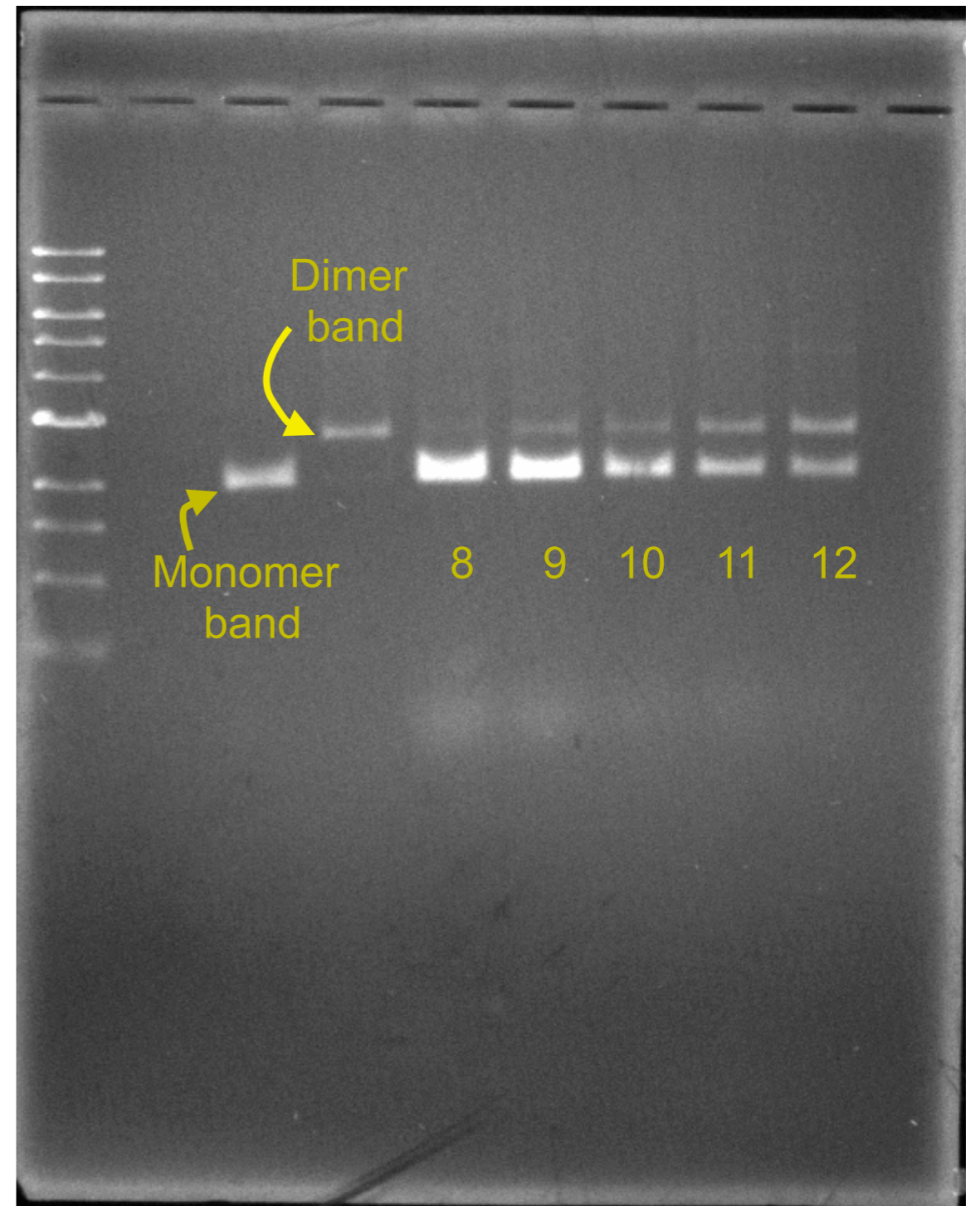
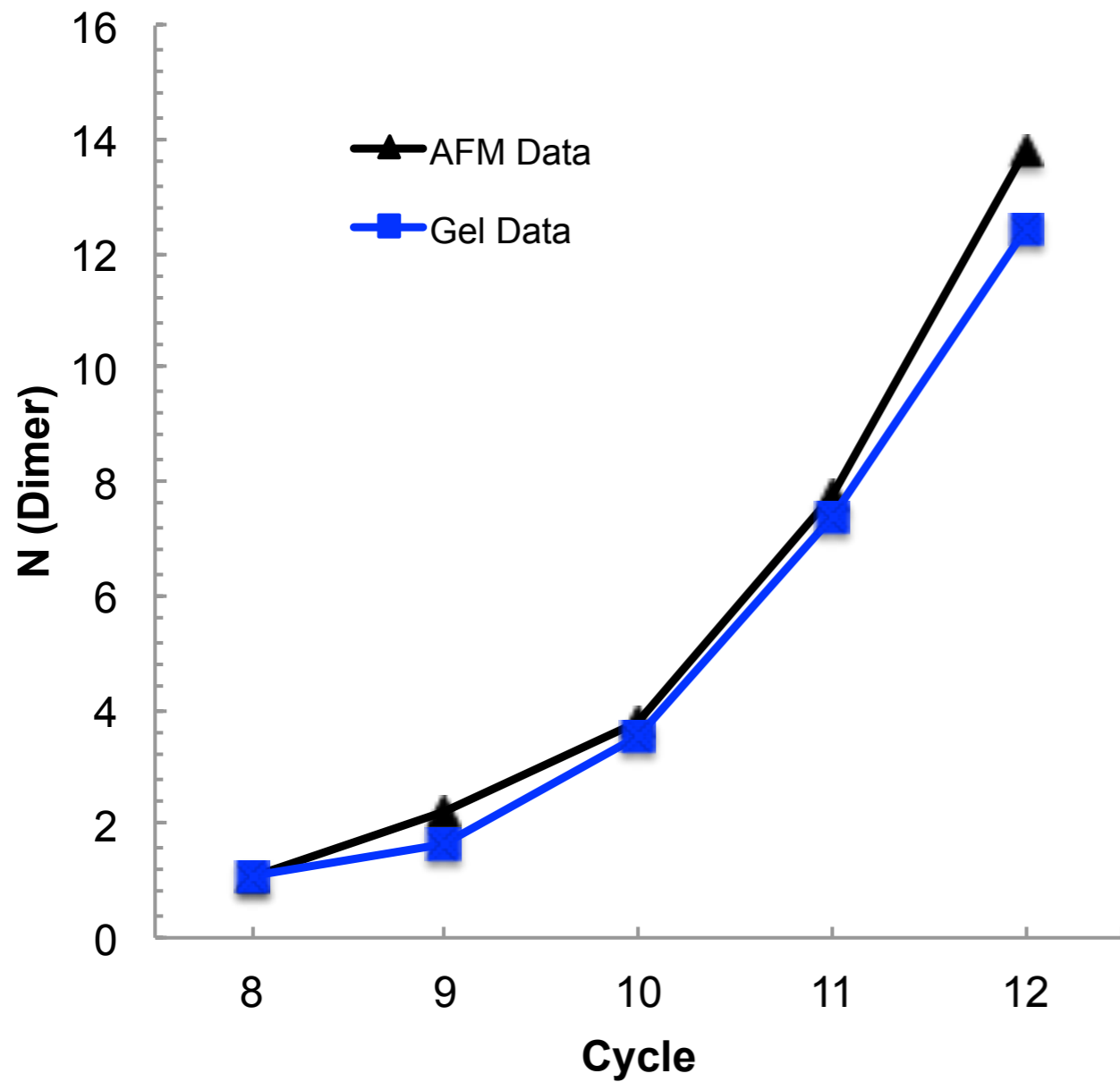


Total Amplification 7.5 million

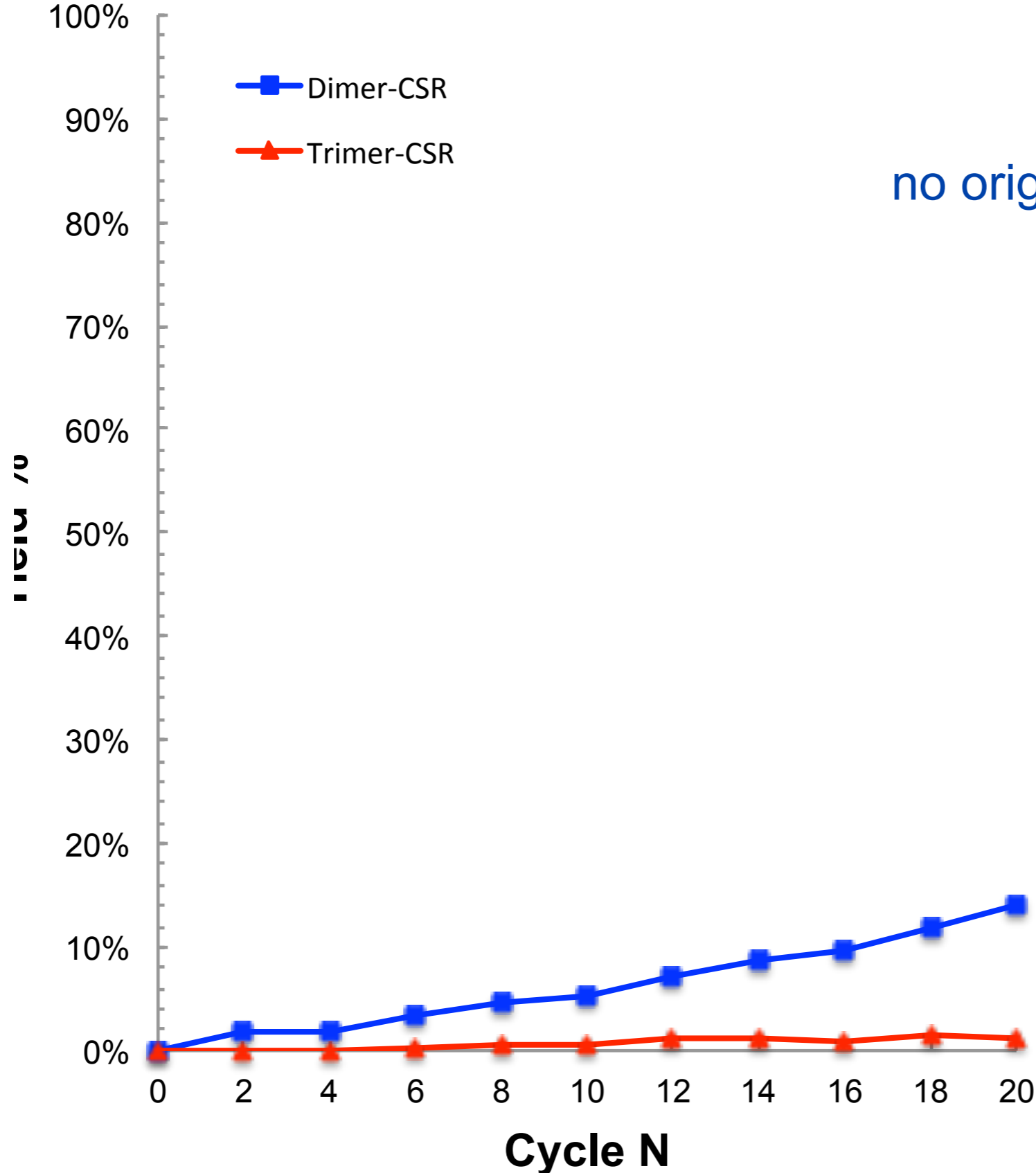
Xiaojin
He



Gel analysis shows same growth as counting Origami



Temperature and light cycles NO SEED



no origin of life *yet*

[Evolution - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia](#)

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Evolution ▼

Evolution is the change in the inherited characteristics of biological populations over successive generations. **Evolutionary** processes give rise to diversity at ...

Schematic Evolution

Original Species



Mutations with inheritable traits



Environment Changes - Fire - need theory of Plasmas - advantage to one species



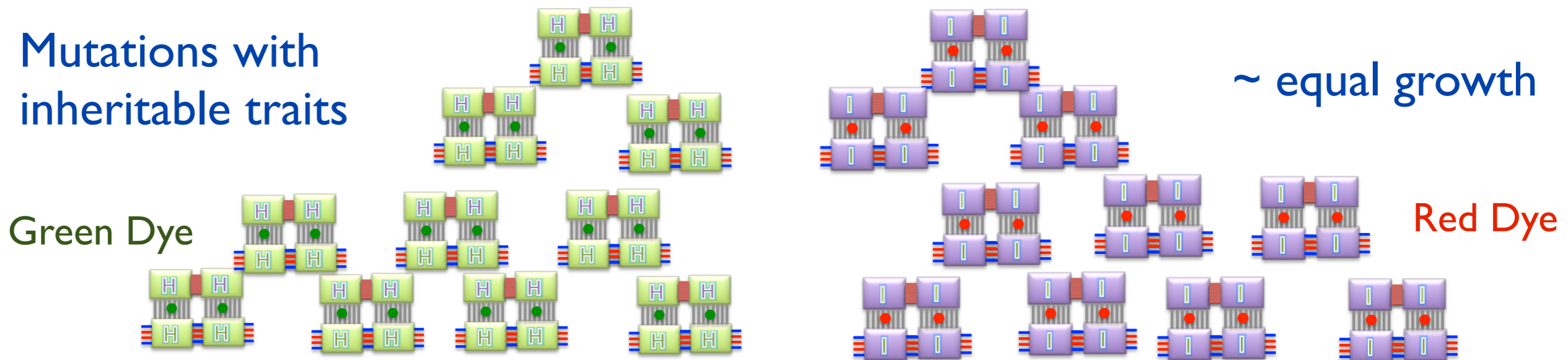
Environment Changes - advantage to one species
growth rate higher - species takes over

Red - Green Origami Evolution

Original Species



Mutations with inheritable traits



Environment Changes - Red Light - advantage to one species



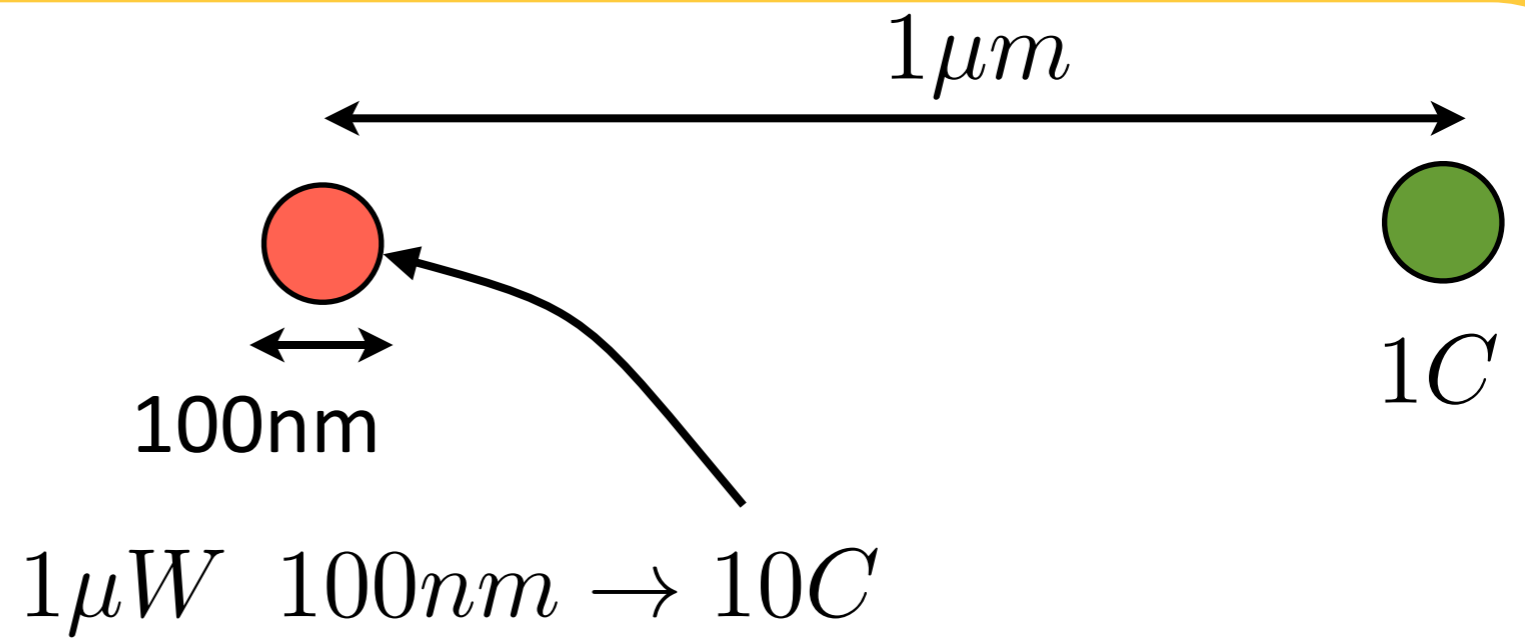
Selection - higher growth rate - Green takes over

Laser Heating of IR Dyes

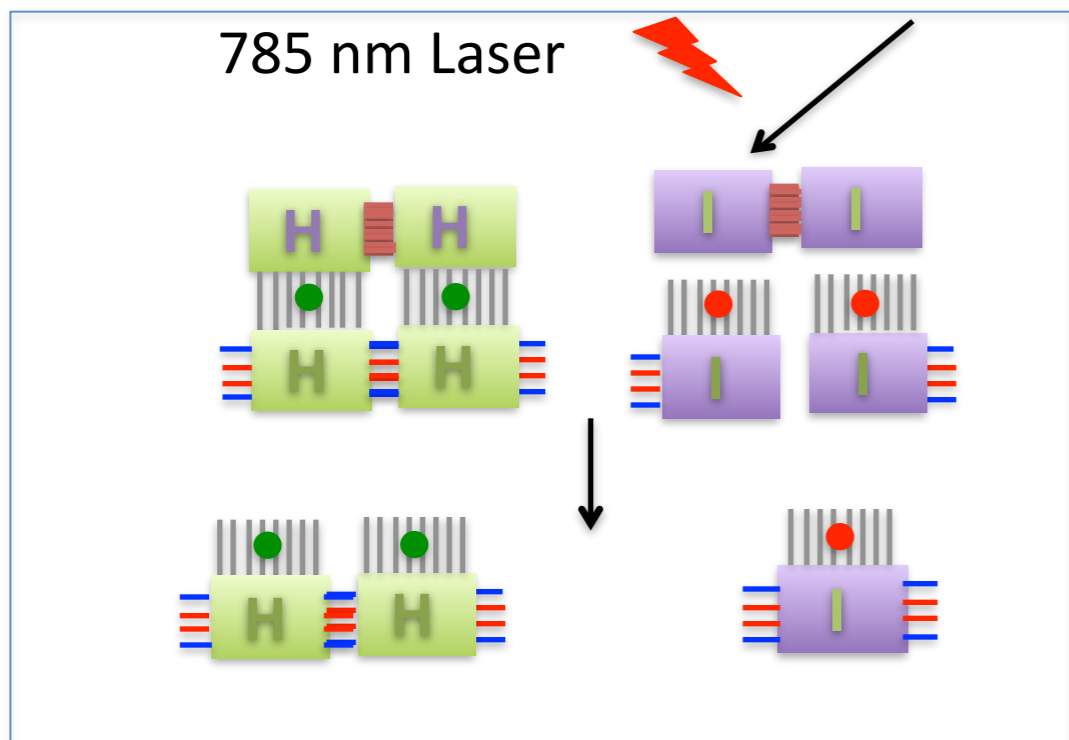
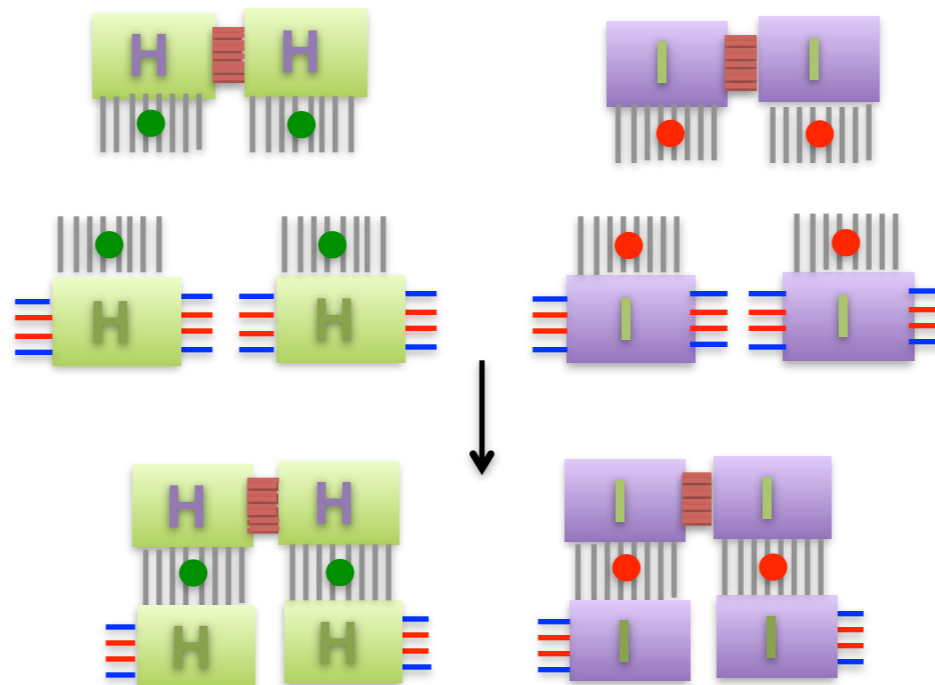
Local heating

$$j_Q \sim \frac{\dot{Q}}{4\pi r^2}$$

$$T = T_0 + \delta T/r$$

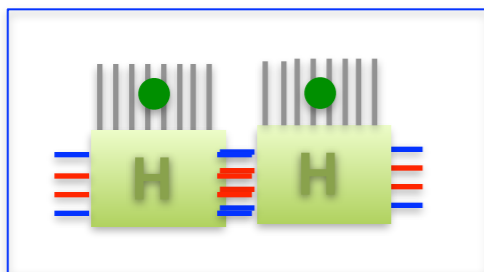
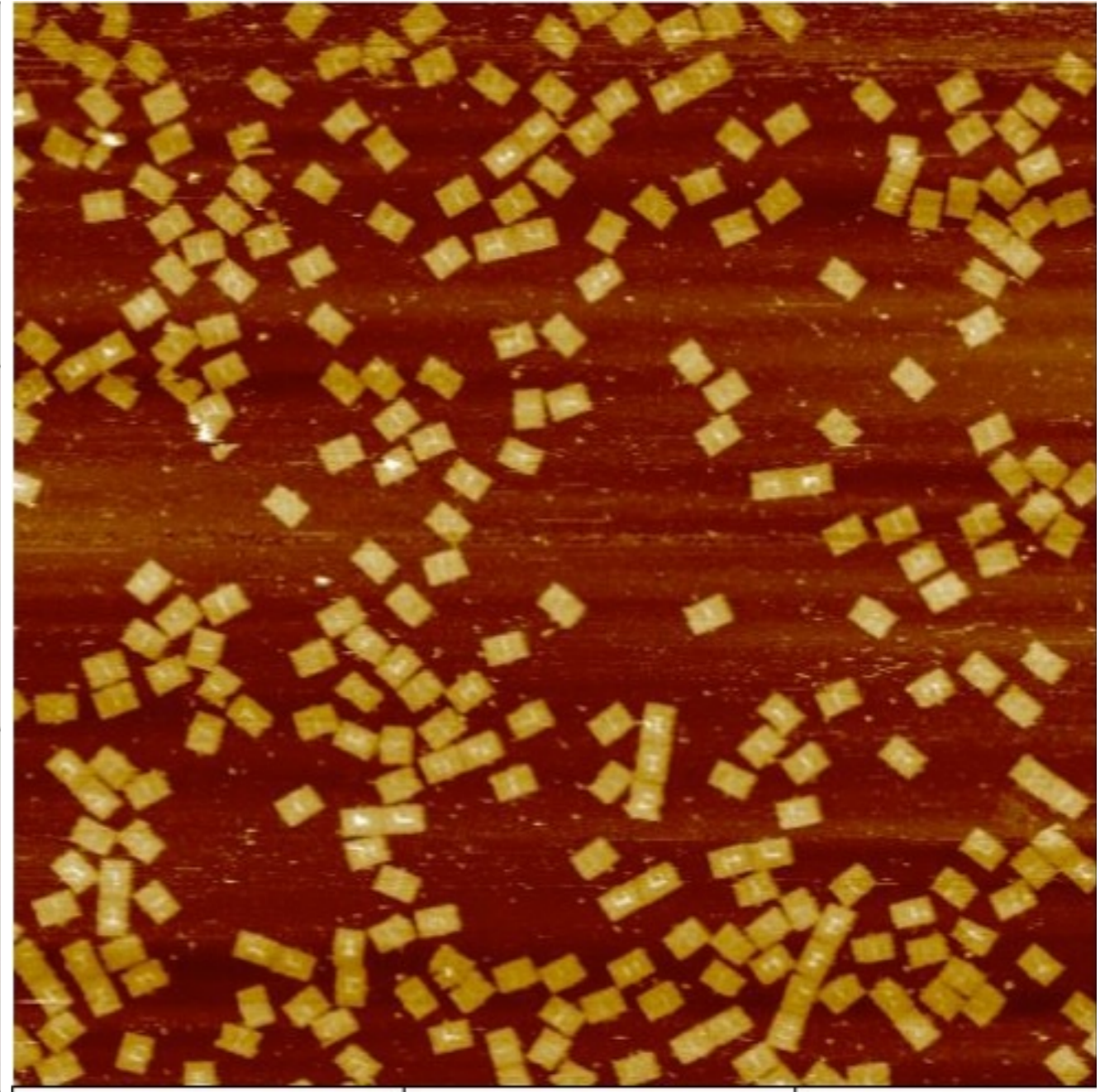
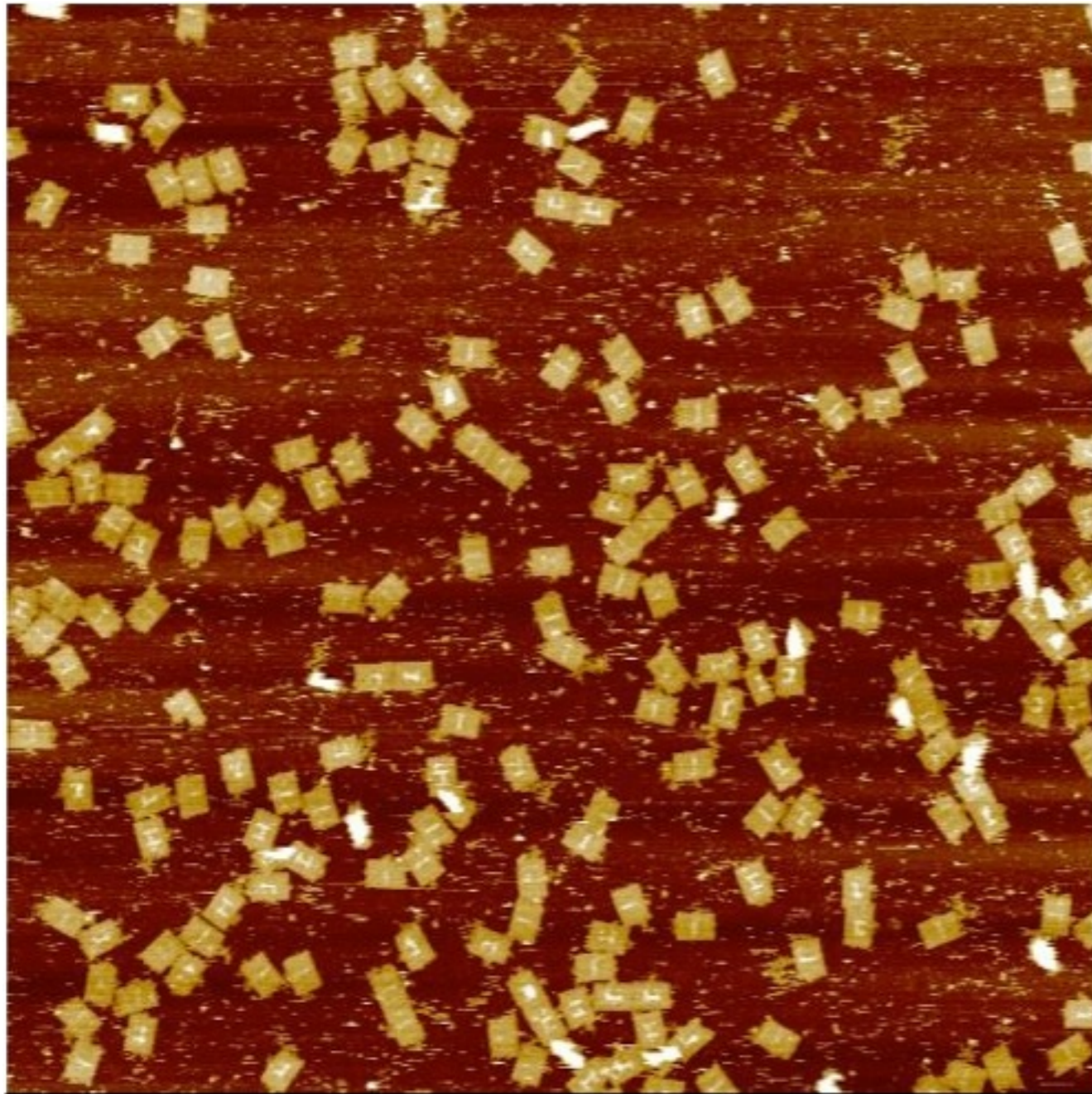


	Seed	FG	SG	Seed	FG	SG
	HH	H-2	H-1	II	I-4	I-3
		IR700	IR700		IR800	IR800
C 0	1	8	6	1	8	6



Cycle 2

Cycle 4



◆ ~ 4 C: Laser 785 nm for 20 min

◆ ~ 4 C: Laser 785 nm + UV for 1 h

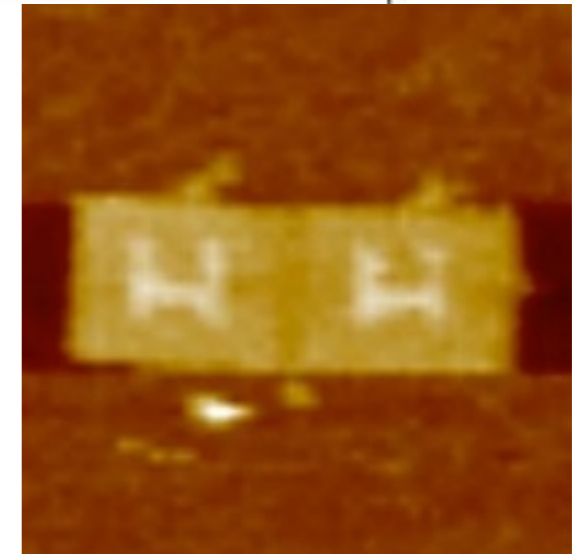
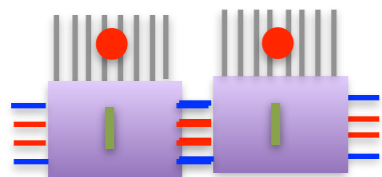
◆ After each 2 cycles

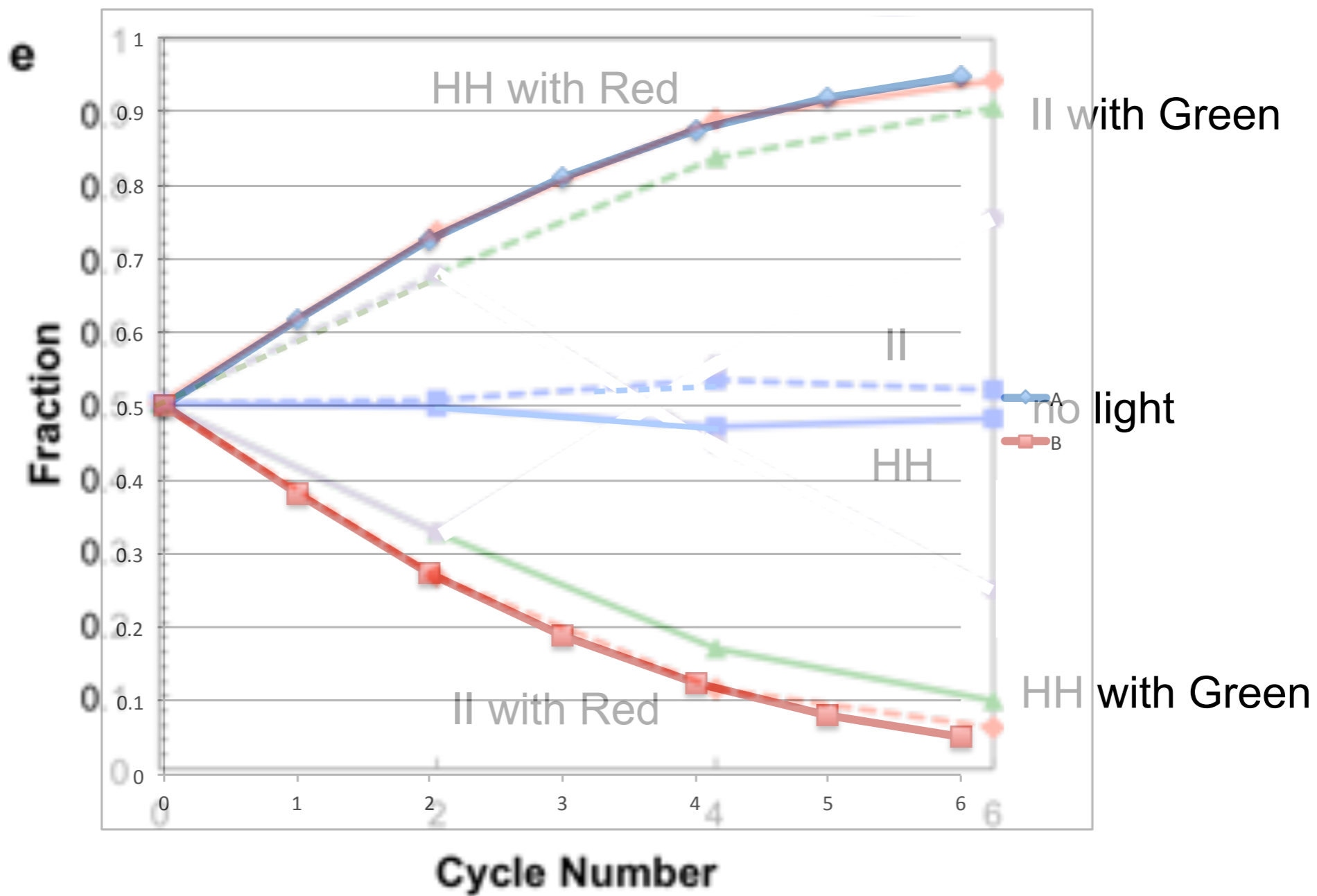
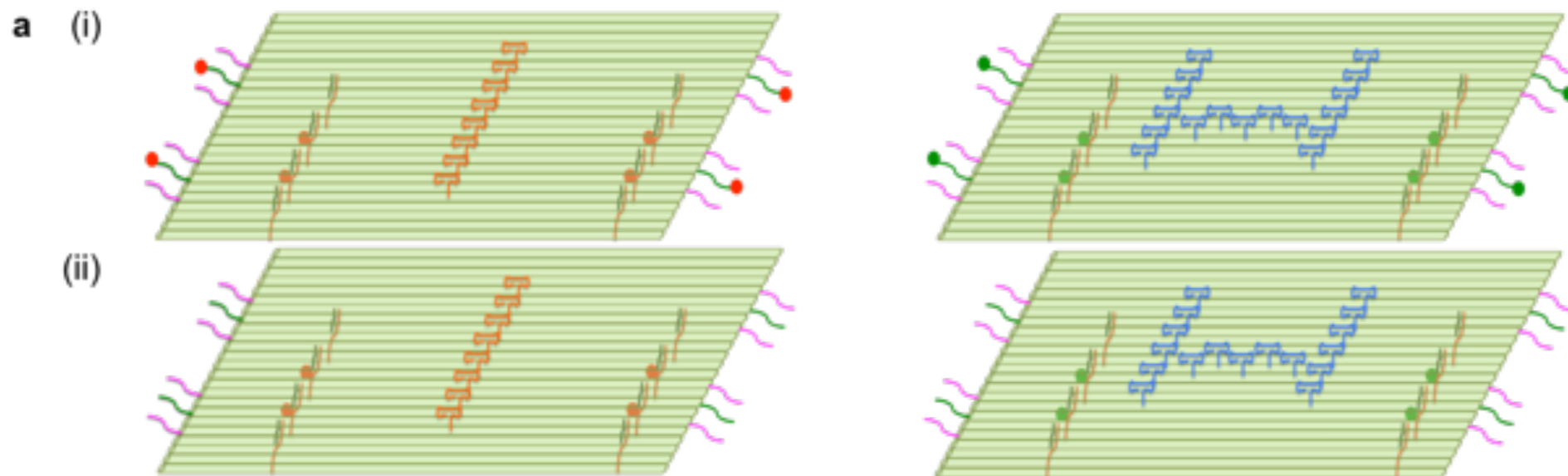
1) add monomer H to keep

HH: H-FG: H-SG = 1: 7: 7

2) Add Monomer I to keep

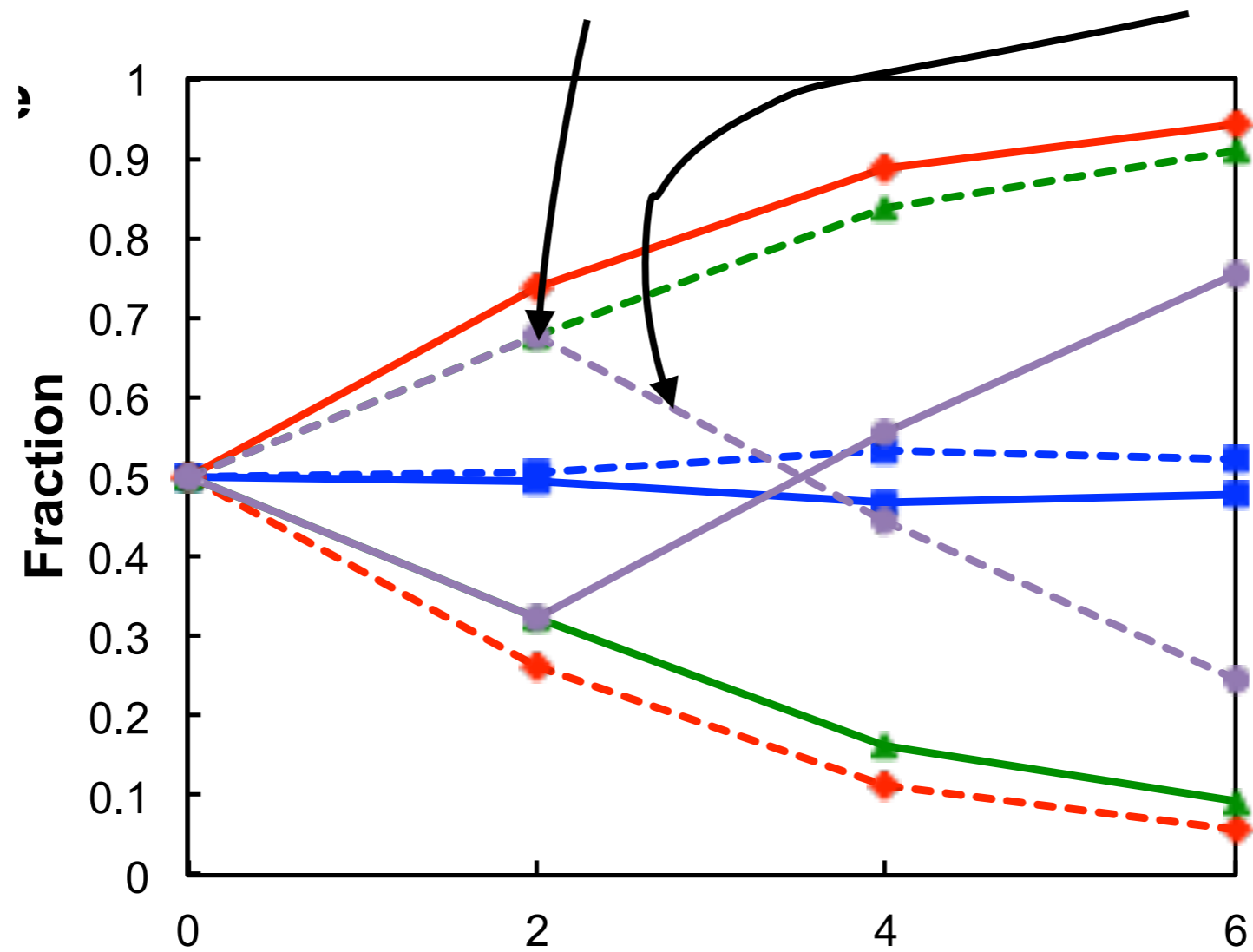
$(2*HH + H) : (2*II + I) = 1 : 1$





Can reverse selection by switching lights

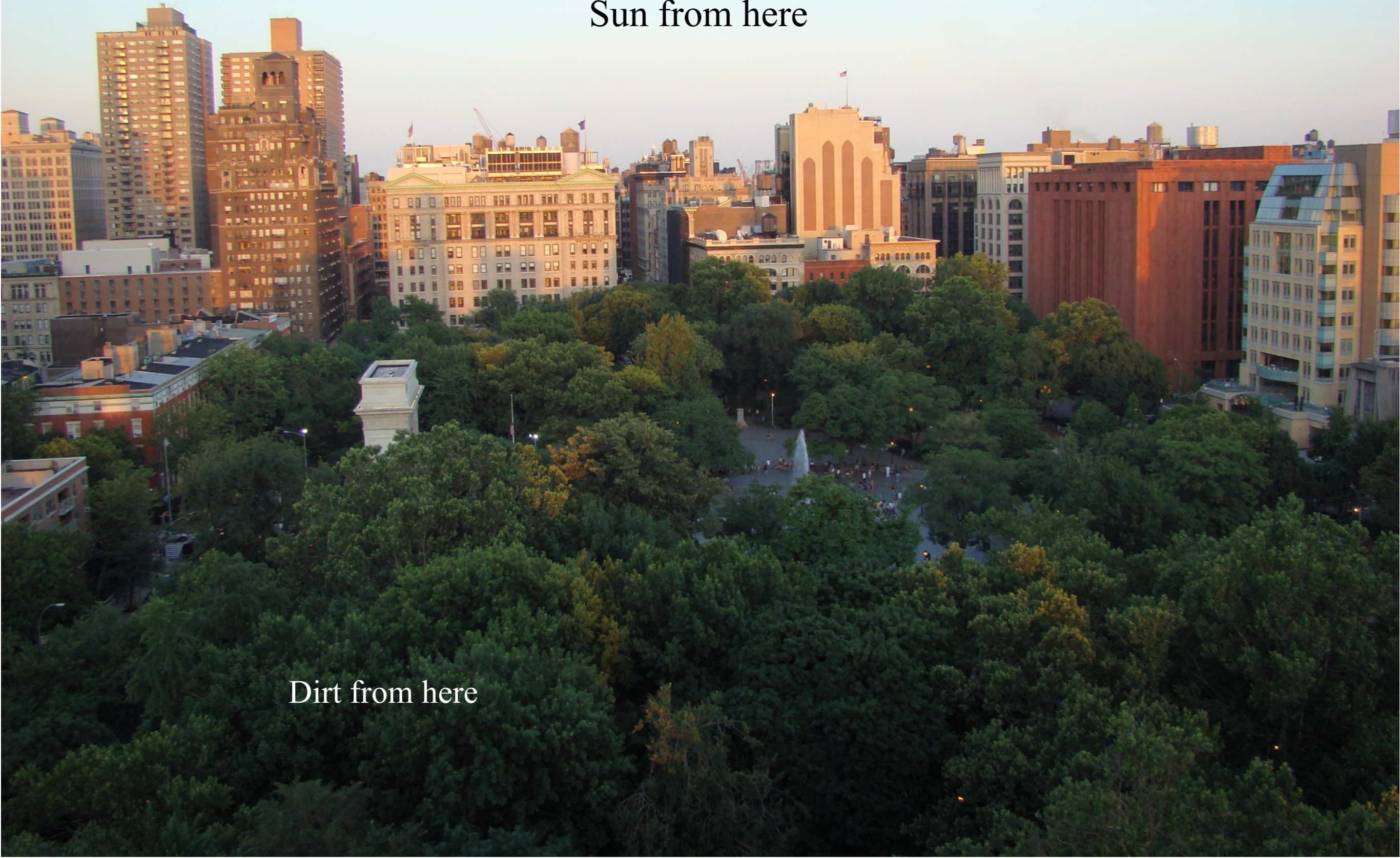
Grow in green 1 step then switch to red



How about growing it outside?

Roof Top - Washington Sq Park

Sun from here

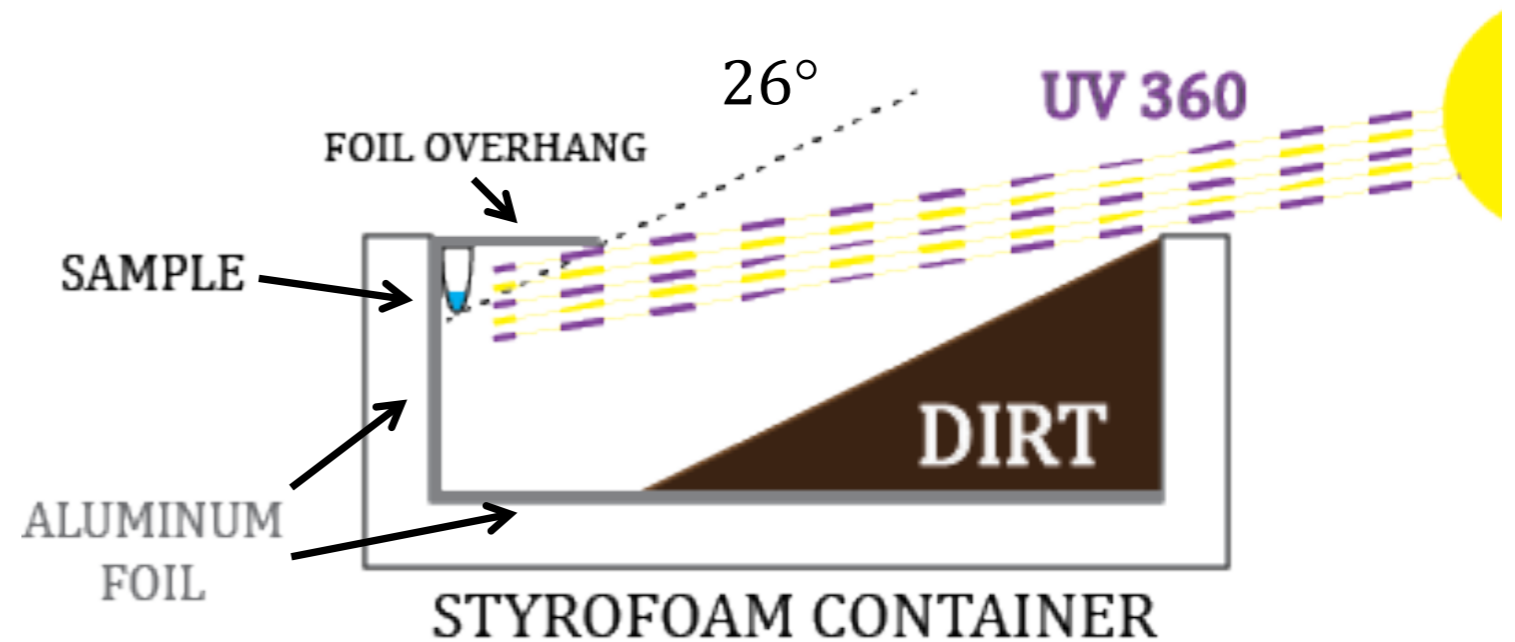


Dirt from here

Roof Top DNA Origami Solar Replicator



After a cold night, rays from the sunrise hit the sample for about 2 hours

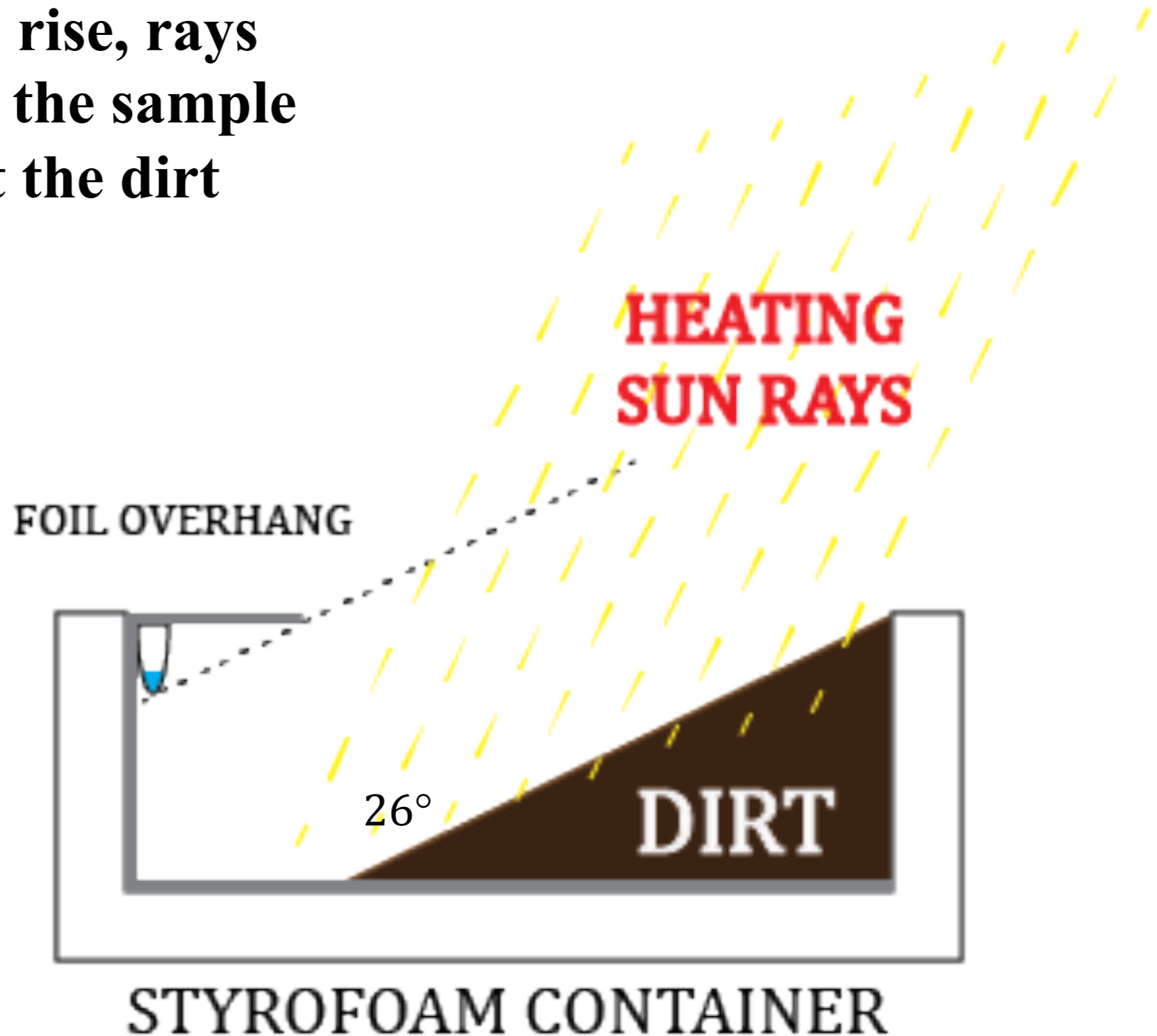


As the sun continues to rise, rays are blocked from hitting the sample and now serve to heat the dirt

Why Dirt?

**Ambient temperature
32-36F → 0-2C**

**Dirt Temperature
32-96F → 0-35C**



Original Dimer:Mono Ratio – 1:30

After One Sunny Day:

Control Sample on roof (in Al Foil)

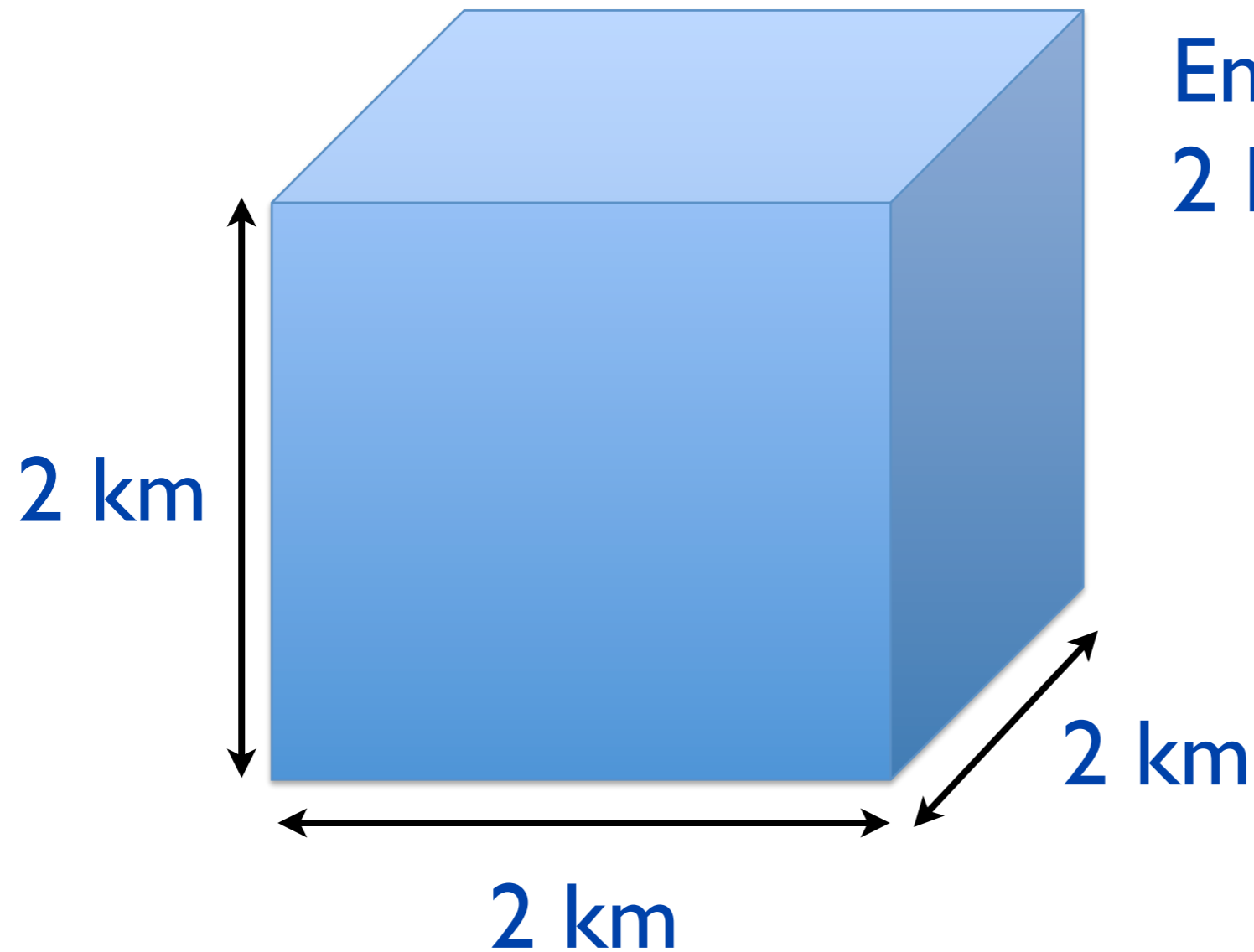
Dimers Remain Same Concentration

Sunny Sample

Dimers Doubled

DNA as a functional material

Now much DNA is there?



Enough to fill a cube
2 kilometers on a side

Enough to build 200 cities the size of New York

Summary

- Dynamic Clustering when flux in (ρ_+) > flux out
- **DNA is a great structural material**
 - specific, controllable, reversible, or permanent bonds
- 1st? Artificial Self-replicating system with:
 - design flexibility
 - autonomous offspring
 - no enzymes
 - exponential growth (great way to make zillions of nanodevices)
 - uses only temperature and light mimicking daily cycles
 - replicates information and structure
 - 1: 7,500,000 and growing

- Next:
 - evolution
 - without nucleic acids



Keck Foundation
NYU NSF MRSEC
GORDON AND BETTY
MOORE
FOUNDATION

