

# NEW TREATMENTS FOR DISEASE PANEL

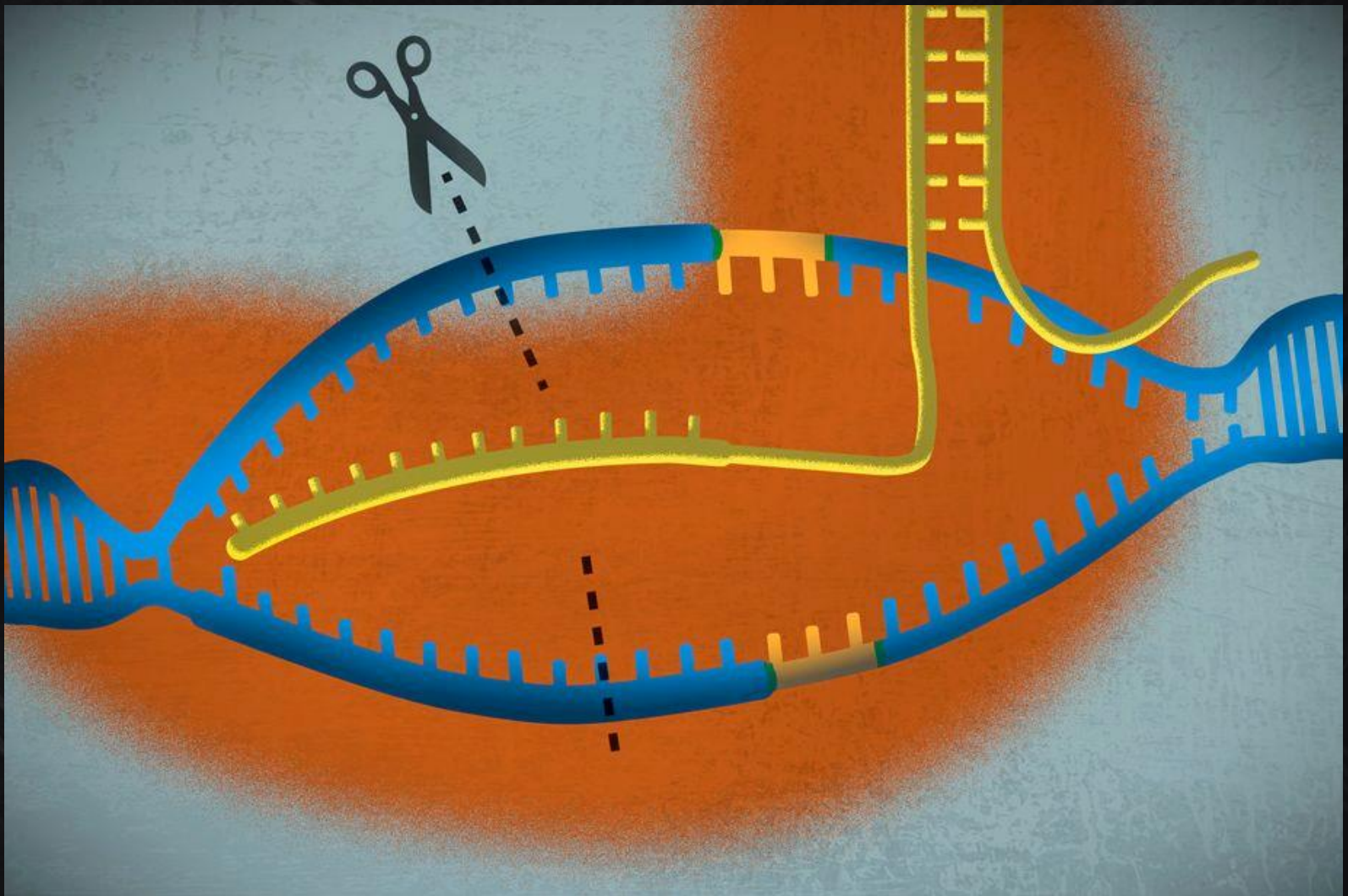
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Sickle-Cell Anemia/Beta-Thalassemia

Cystic Fibrosis

Parkinson's Disease

MS (PML actually)



Target single sequence in a genome (similar can be bound but less efficiently, and are called “off target.” One of the main technical objections to editing)

Only breaks DNA and then cell repair machinery “fix” but usually in a mutated way

# CRISPR IN DISEASE STUDY

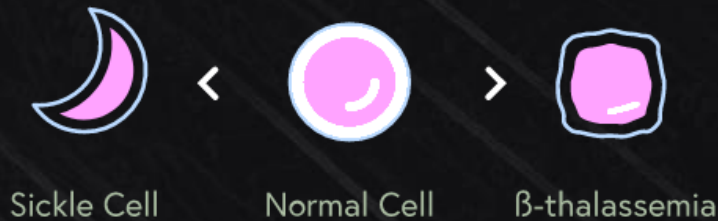
- Mimic mutations in cells, tissues, model organisms
- Mutagenesis to discover interacting genes
- Unfortunately, clinical delivery of gene editing components remains a challenge
- Prime editing imparts more control



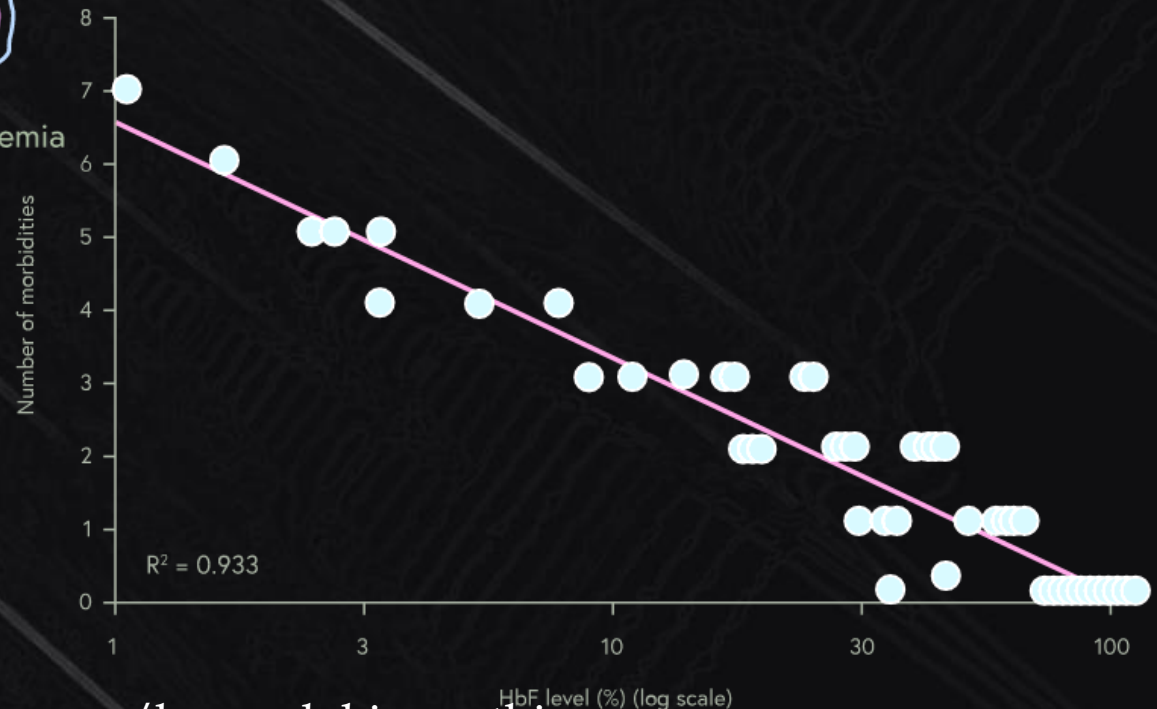
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## CRISPR Therapeutics and Vertex Pharmaceuticals

Blood disorders caused by mutations in the  $\beta$ -globin gene



Reduced Symptoms in  $\beta$ -Thalassemia with Higher Levels of HbF



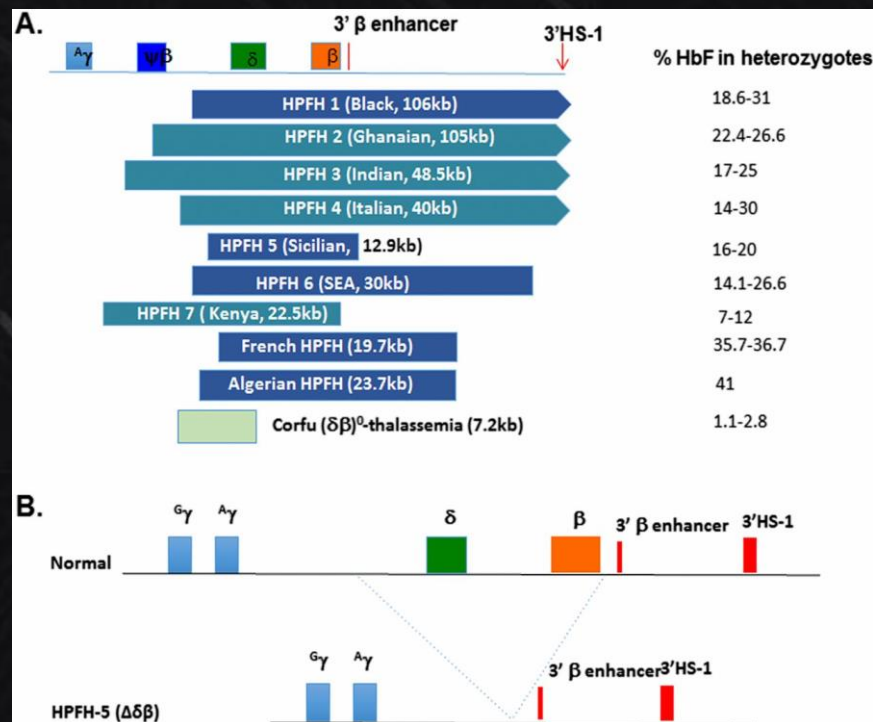
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## CRISPR Therapeutics and Vertex Pharmaceuticals

Nov 19, 2019

CRISPR Therapeutics and Vertex Announce Positive Safety and Efficacy Data From First Two Patients Treated With Investigational CRISPR/Cas9 Gene-Editing Therapy CTX001® for Severe Hemoglobinopathies

<https://investors.vrtx.com/news-releases/news-release-details/crispr-therapeutics-and-vertex-announce-positive-safety-and>

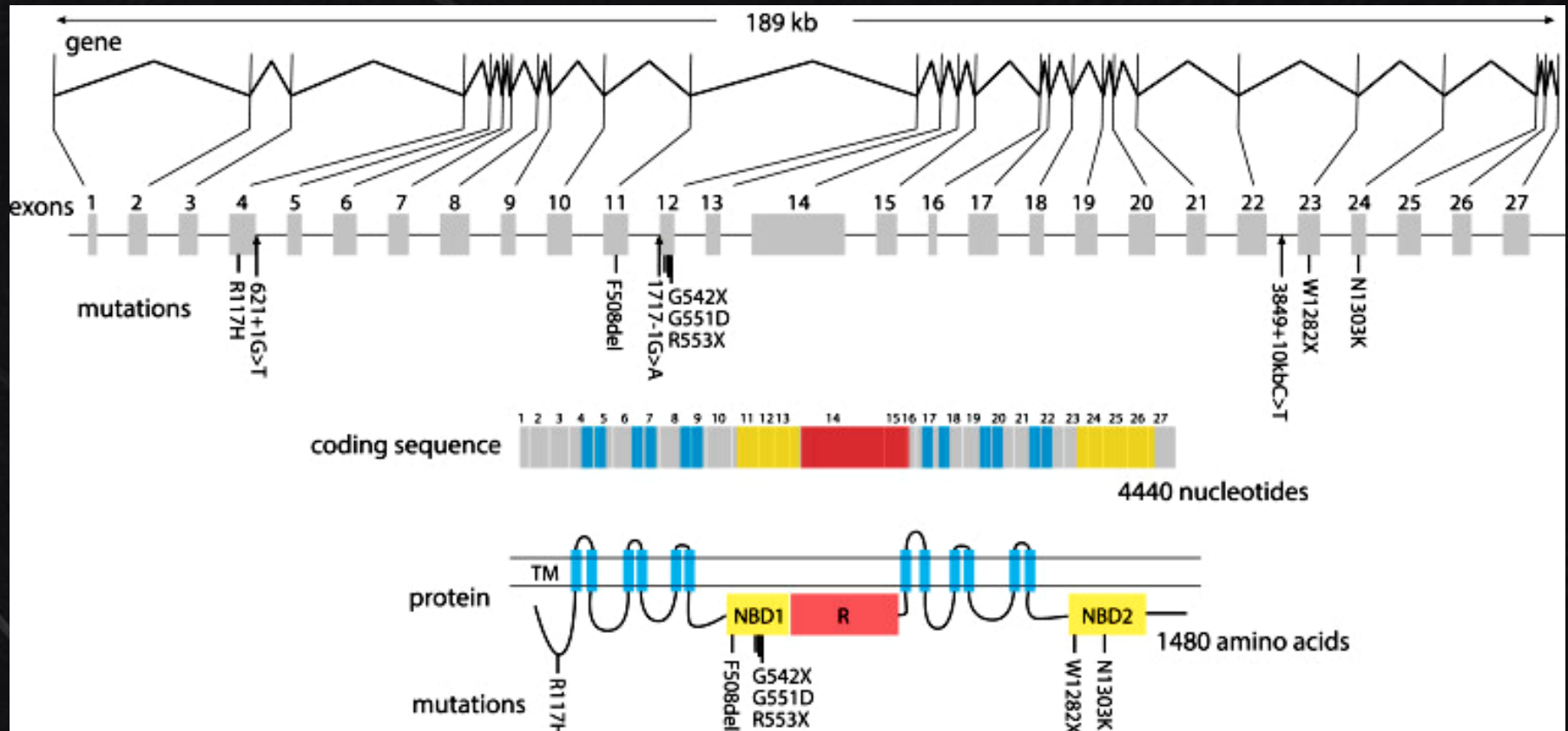


**Fig. S1 Deletion type of hereditary persistence of fetal hemoglobin (HPFH).**

Ye, Lin, et al. "Genome editing using CRISPR-Cas9 to create the HPFH genotype in HSPCs: An approach for treating sickle cell disease and  $\beta$ -thalassemia." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 113.38 (2016): 10661-10665.

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**Figure 1. The structure of the human CFTR transcription unit, coding sequence and protein.**

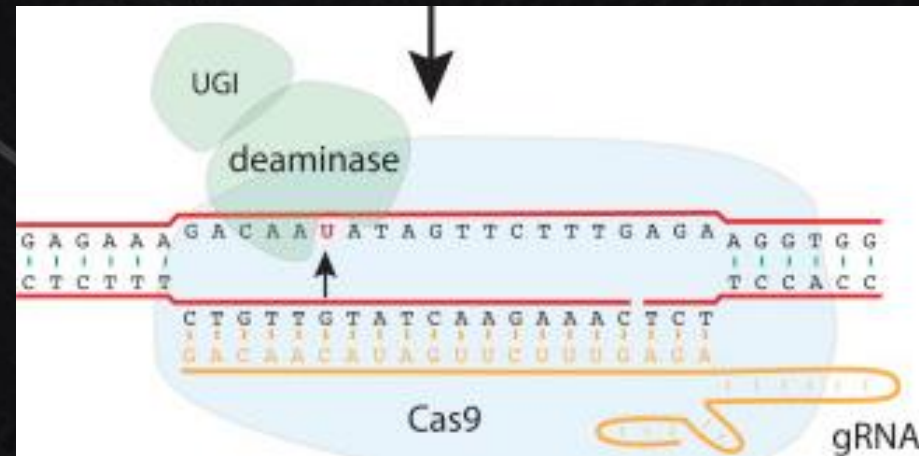


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**Table 1. The ten most common CF disease alleles.**

Allele Frequency	Mutation	DNA Change	Class
70%	F508del	delCTT	deletion
2.50%	G542X	G > T	transversion
2.10%	G551D	G > A	transition
1.50%	N1303K	C > G	transversion
1.30%	R117H	G > A	transition
1.20%	W1282X	G > A	transition
0.93%	R553X	C > T	transition
0.93%	621+1G > T	G > T	transversion
0.86%	1717-1G > A	G > A	transition
0.82%	3849 + 10kbC > T	C > T	transition



**Spacing is important**  
**As is type of base change**  
**C to T, or A to G**  
**G to A, or T to C are only options**

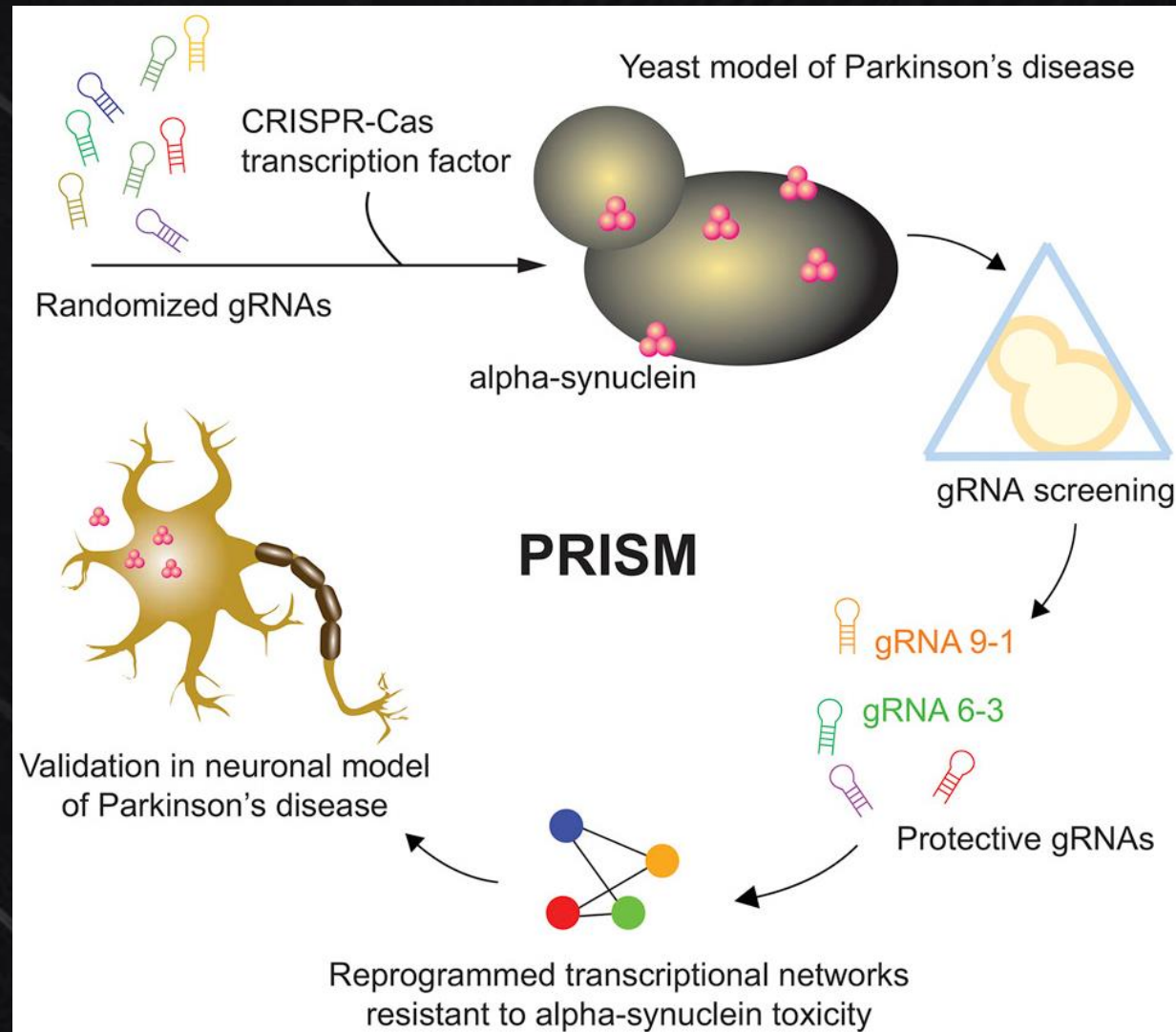
# Parkinson's Disease

Chen, Ying-Chou, et al. "Randomized CRISPR-Cas transcriptional perturbation screening reveals protective genes against alpha-synuclein toxicity." *Molecular cell* 68.1 (2017): 247-257.

## Perturbing Regulatory Interactions by Synthetic Modulators (PRISM) Overview

Validated the target in a human cell line model

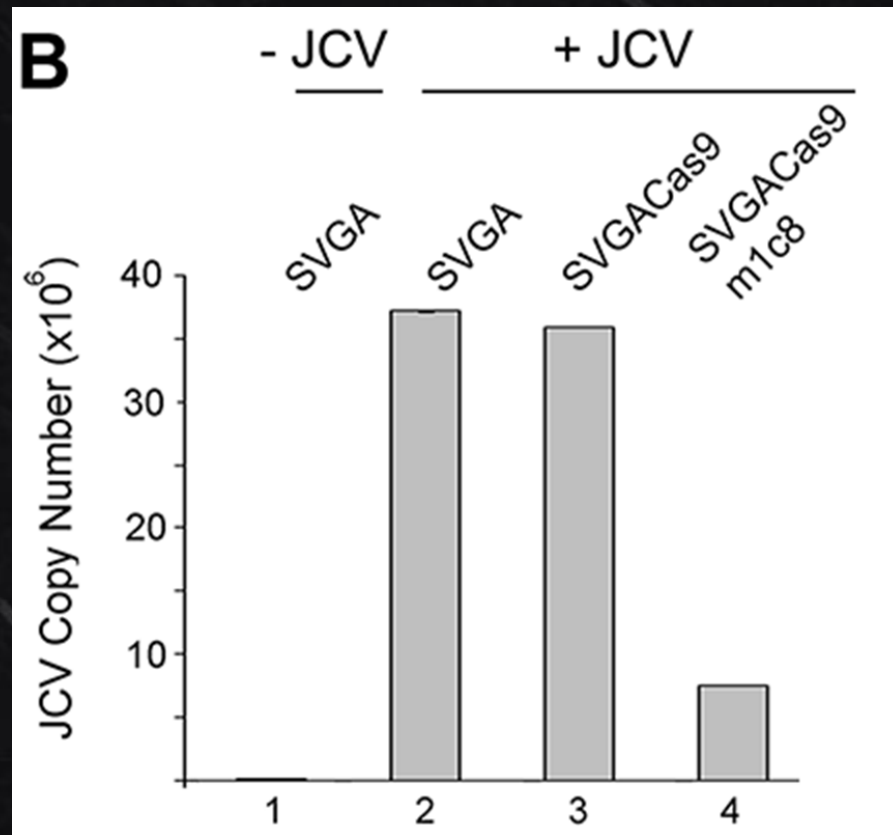
Alpha-synuclein aggregates are identified as pathological hallmark in PD





# Progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML)

Wollebo, Hassen S., et al. "CRISPR/Cas9 system as an agent for eliminating polyomavirus JC infection." PloS one 10.9 (2015): e0136046.



fatal demyelinating disease of the central nervous system (CNS) caused by reactivation of the human polyomavirus JCV gene expression

Infects 90% of people

Healthy immune systems keep it suppressed

Using Cas9 to mutate and inactivate a viral gene important for replication

