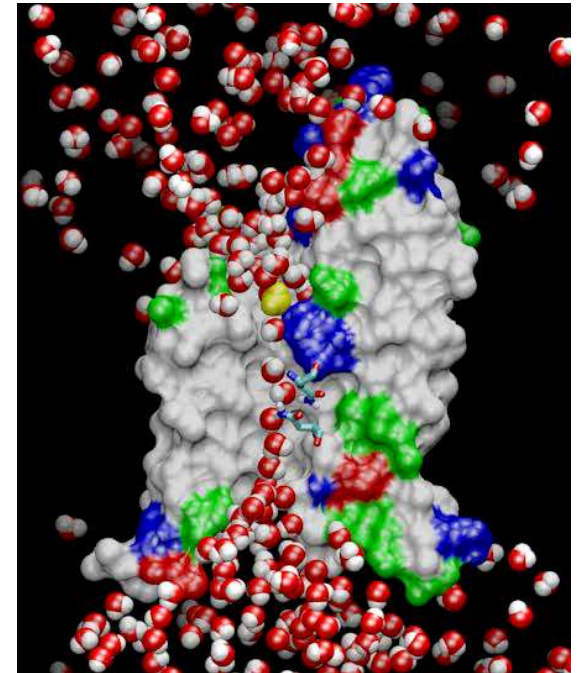
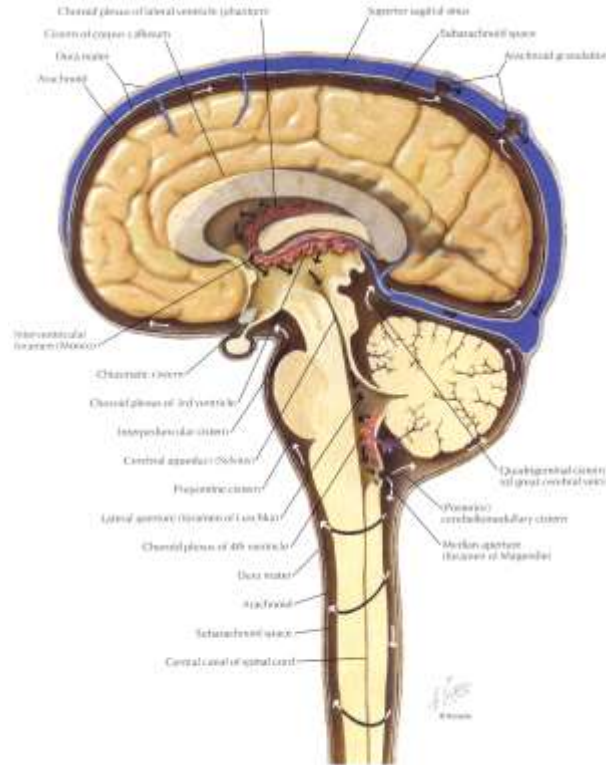


# Water Biology and Medicine: from aquaporins to aquaphotomics



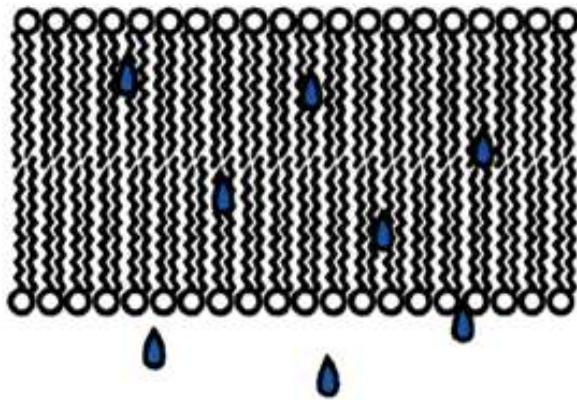
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# Water permeabilities of plasma membrane vesicles

Membrane	$P_f$ ( $\mu\text{m/s}$ )	$E_A$ (kcal/mol)	Mercurial sensitivity	Refer ence
Planar lipid bilayer	1-104	10.8-14.9	-	[25]
<u>Toad bladder</u> apical membranes (- ADH)	4	11.0	-	[24]
Hog gastric vesicles	2.8	15.1	-	[26]
Human placenta	19	13.9	-	[27]
Brain synaptosomes	45	18	-	[22]
Rat small intestine	60	13.3	-	[21]
Rabbit proximal tubule	166	n.d.	+	[28]
Rabbit erythrocytes	530	4.6	+	[29]
Rat proximal tubule	760	3.1	+	[30]
Toad bladder apical membrane (+ ADH)	450	n.d.	+	[23]
Rat collecting duct endosomes	300	3.8	n.d.	[31]
Toad bladder endosomes	1000	3.9	+	[32]

# Transmembrane water permeability

## Bilayer Diffusion



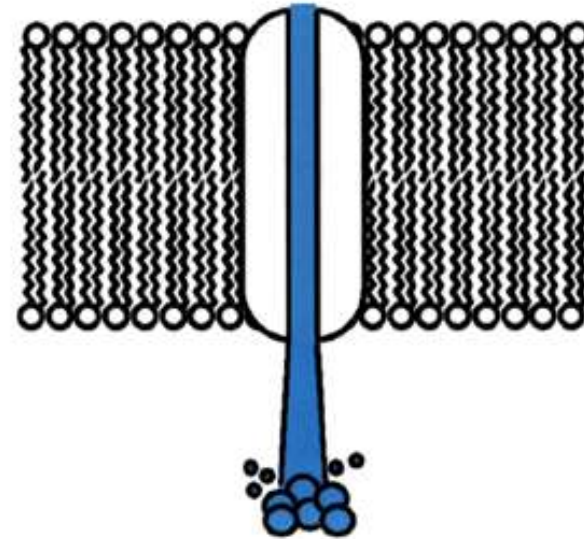
All biological membranes

Low capacity

No known inhibitors

$E_a$  10 kcal/mol

## Water Channels



Renal tubules, secretory glands, red cells

High capacity for  $H_2O$ , not  $H_3O^+$

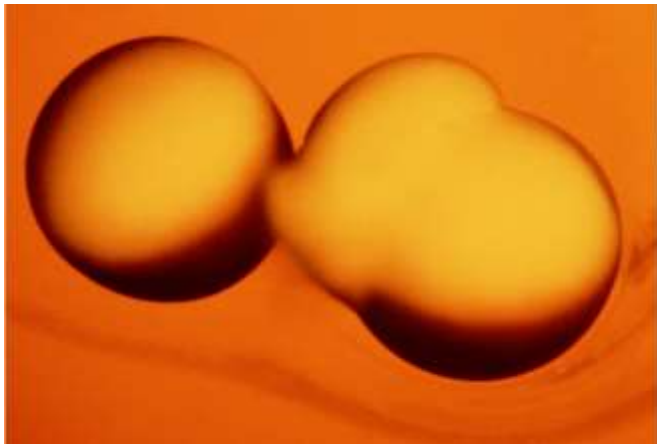
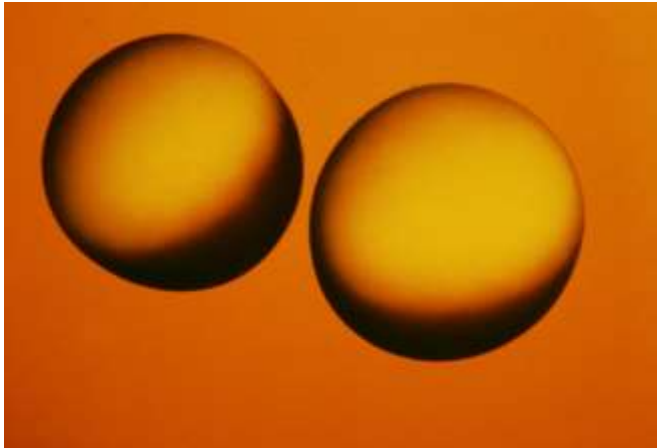
Reversibly inhibited by  $Hg^{++}$

$E_a$  5 kcal/mol



# Discovery of Aquaporin-1

## Functional expression

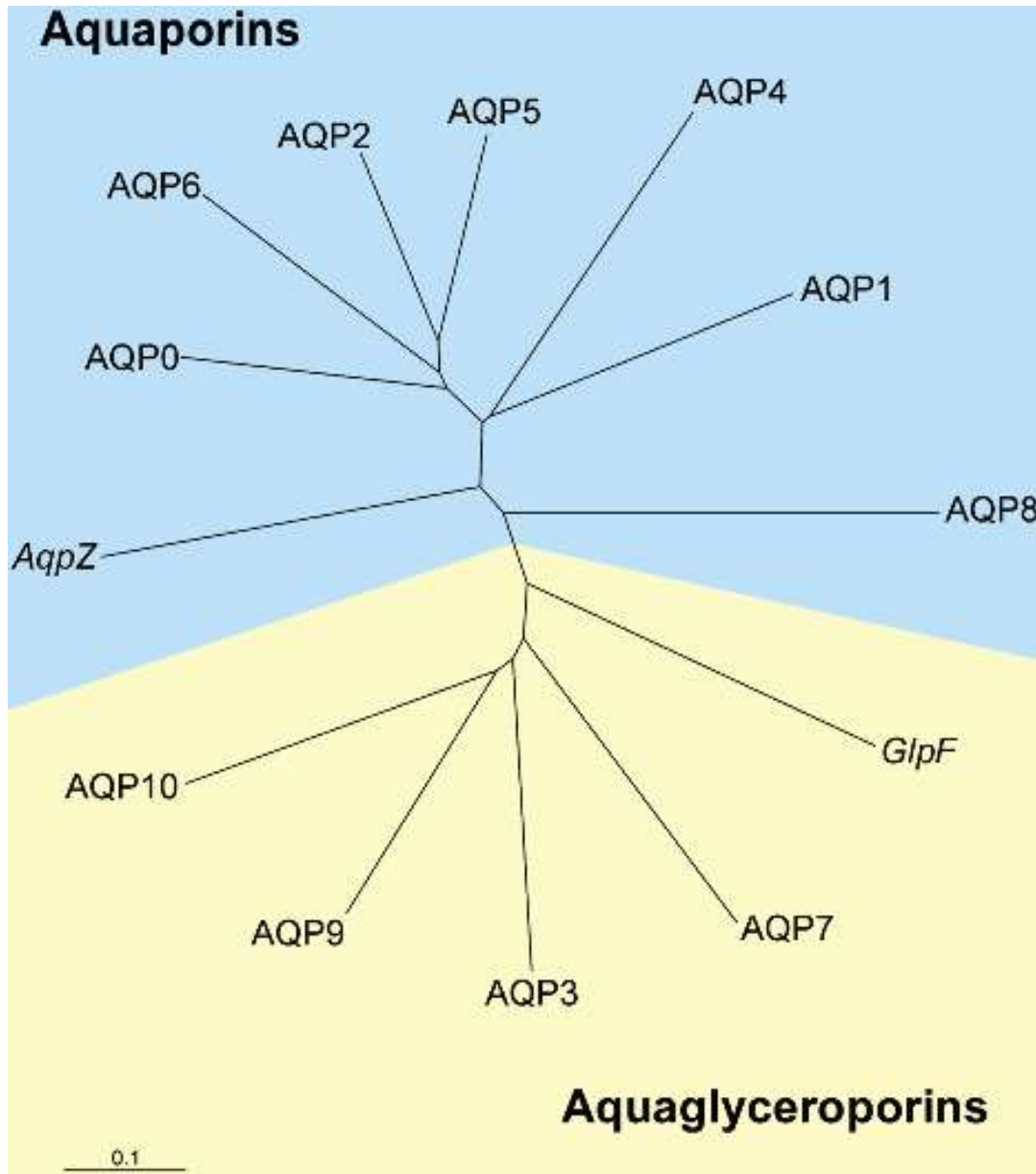


Hypo-osmolar swelling  
 $Hg^{++}$  inhibited, no currents

Preston *et al.*, *Science* 1992



# Human Aquaporin Repertoire



## Body Distribution of Aquaporins

Aquaporin (AQP)	Tissue or Cell Type
AQP0	Eye (Lens)
AQP1	Choroid Plexus, Erythrocytes, Eye (Cornea), Gallbladder, Kidney, Lung, Liver, Pancreas
AQP2	Kidney
AQP3	Erythrocytes, Eye (Conjunctiva), Kidney, Skin, Upper Respiratory Tract
AQP4	Brain (Glial Cells), Eye (Retina), Kidney, Muscle
AQP5	Lacrimal Gland, Lung, Salivary Gland, Skin (Sweat Glands)
AQP6	Kidney
AQP7	Adipocytes, Kidney, Testis
AQP8	Colon, Kidney, Liver, Pancreas
AQP9	Brain, Leukocytes, Liver, Spleen
AQP10	Small Intestine

Source: Masato Yasui, MD, PhD/Johns Hopkins Medicine

(Yasui, *JAMA*, 2004)

# Clinical relevance of aquaporins

Brain edema

Malaria infection

Obesity

DM

Lung edema

DI

Polycystic kidney



schizophrenia

Cataract

Mood disorders

Dry eye

glaucoma

Dry mouth

Dry skin

Skin regeneration

Toxemia of pregnancy

Cell Biology:

Secretion/absorption

Epithelial regeneration

Tumor Growth

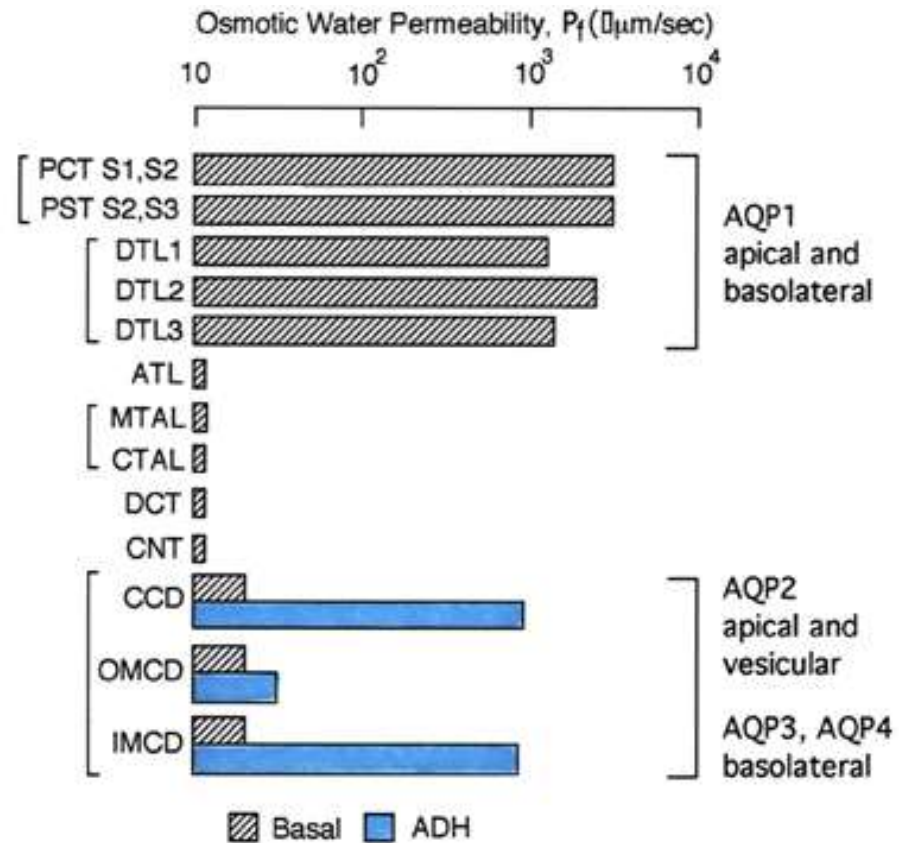
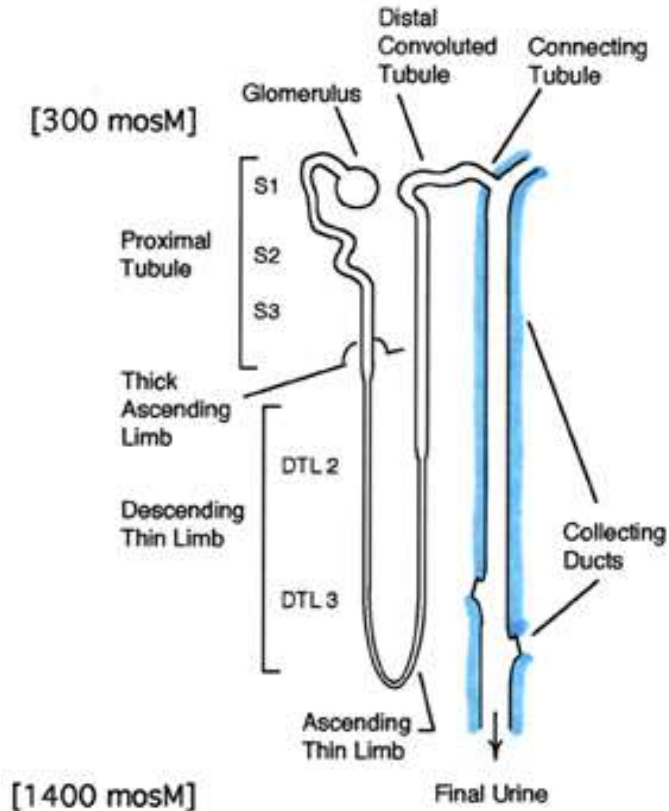
Vascular regeneration

Cell cycle

# AQP2—A regulated water channel

cDNA cloned by homology  
(Fushimi *et al.*, *Nature*, 1993)

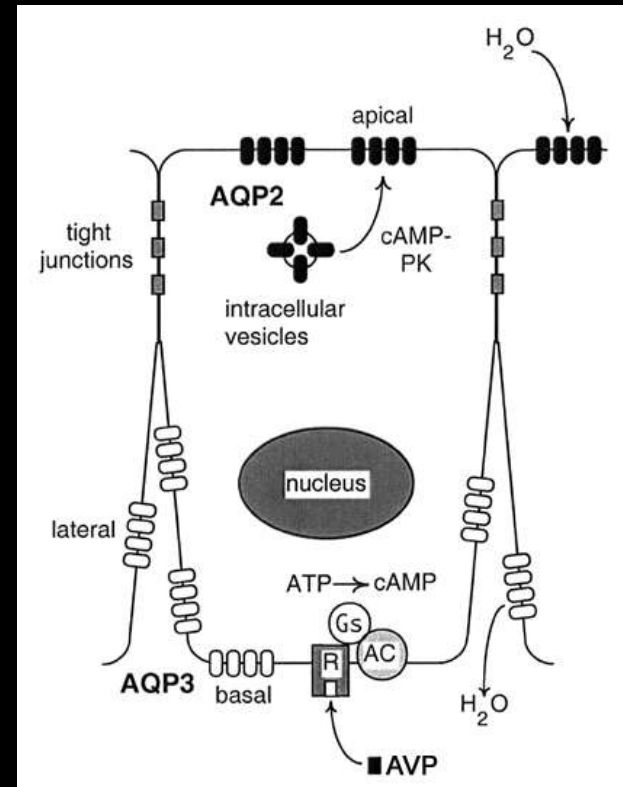
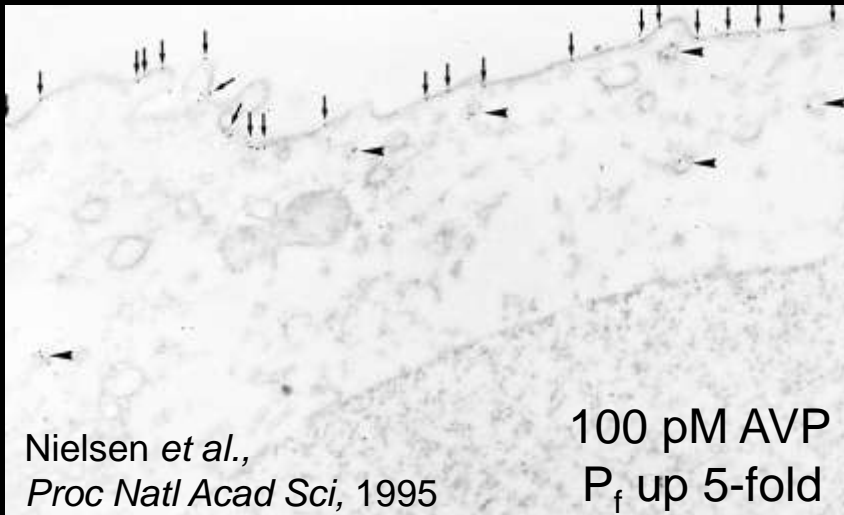
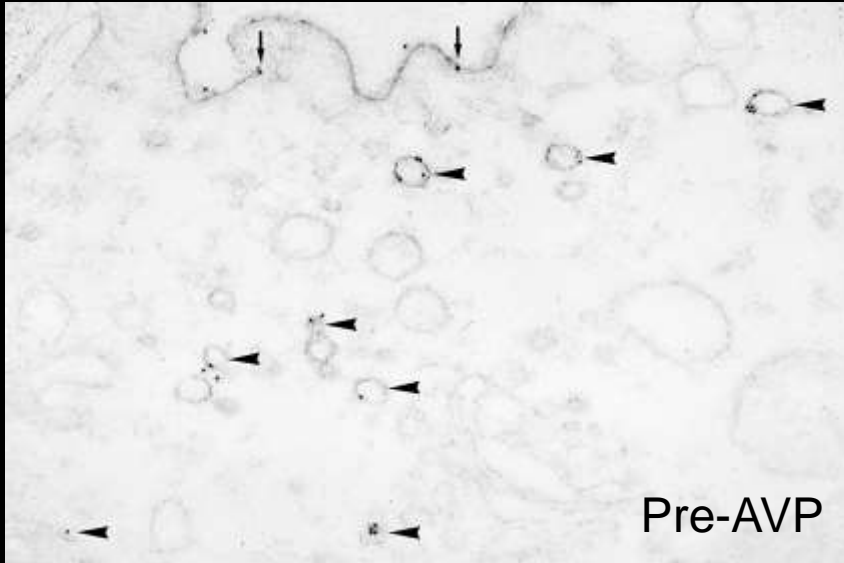
AQP2 localization in kidney  
(Nielsen *et al.*, *Proc Natl Acad Sci*, 1993)





# AQP2—Acute regulation by AVP

## Isolated renal collecting ducts



Inherited defects (rare)

Nephrogenic DI (severe)

Acquired defects (very common)

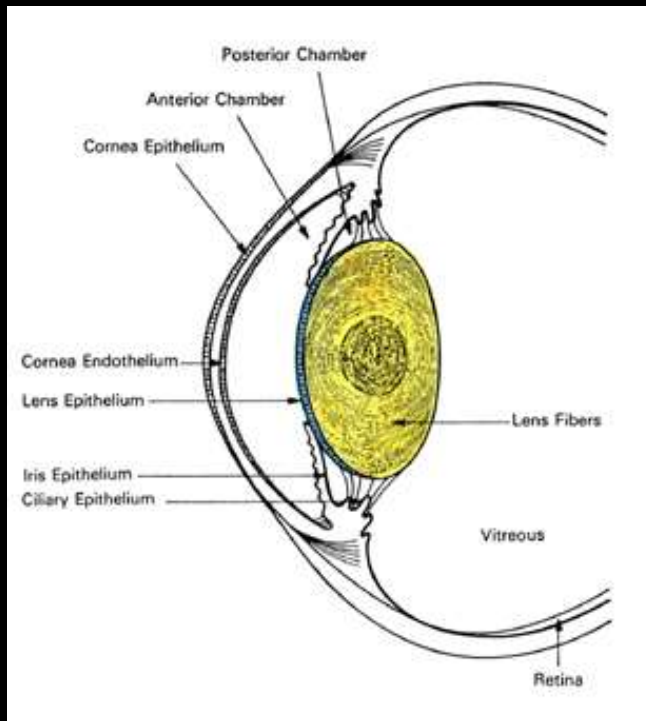
Overexpression—Fluid retention

Underexpression—Enuresis



# AQP0 and Cataracts

Major intrinsic protein (MIP)  
Lens fiber cells



Importance in neonatal  
lens development?

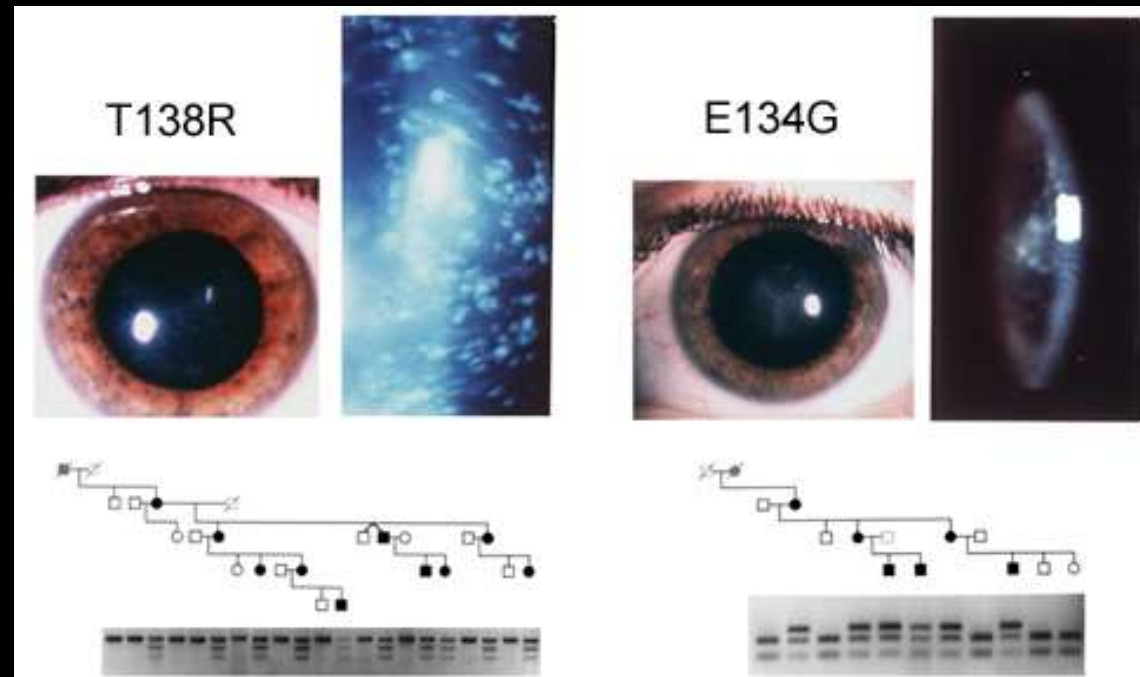
Human AQP0 mutations

Congenital cataracts

Dominant inheritance

T138R—Multifocal opacities

E134G—Unilamellar cataract

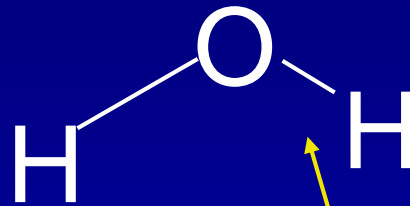
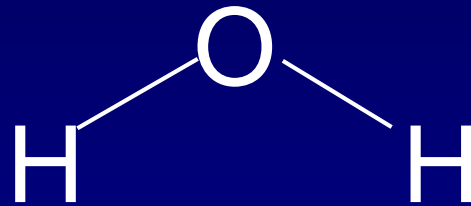


Berry *et al.*, *Nature Genetics*, 2000  
Francis *et al.*, *Human Mol Genetics*, 2000

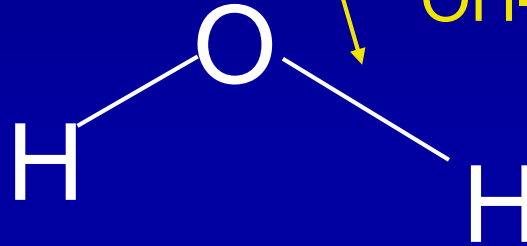
# Coherent anti-Stokes Raman scattering (CARS)

Imaging specific molecular vibration

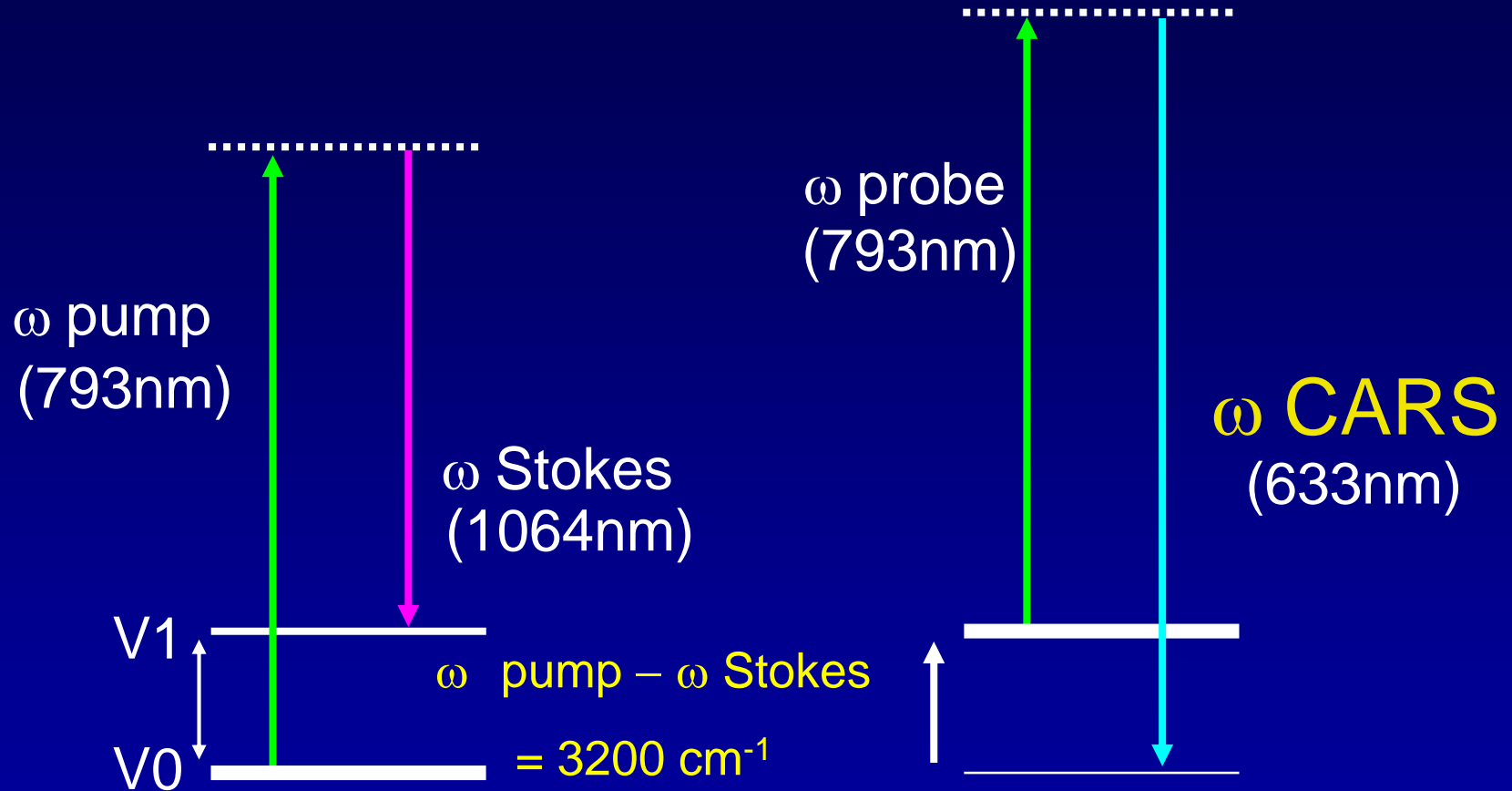
H<sub>2</sub>O molecule



OH-stretching vibration

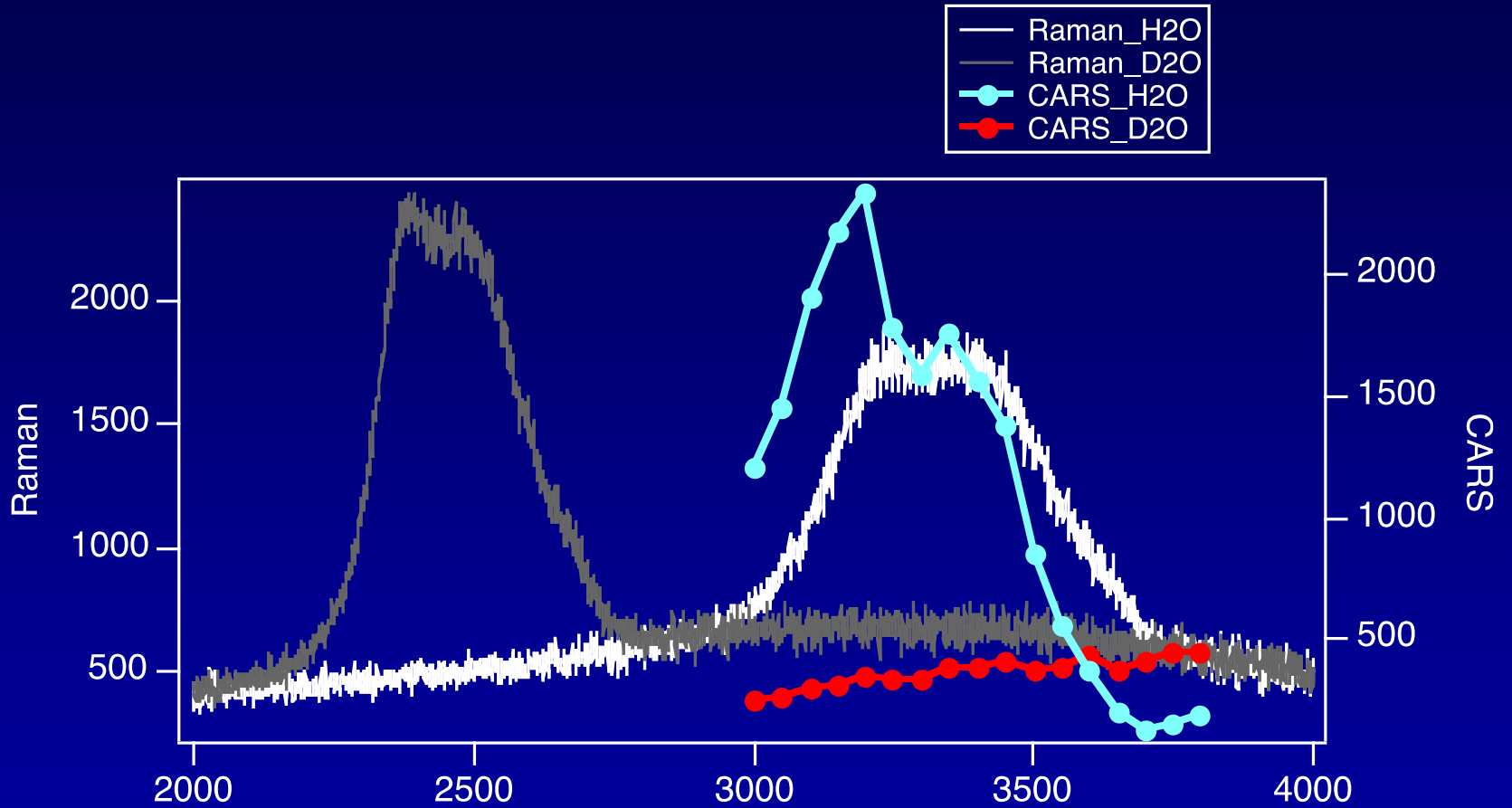


# Energy diagram for OH CARS



Raman shift for OH-stretch vibration =  $3200 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

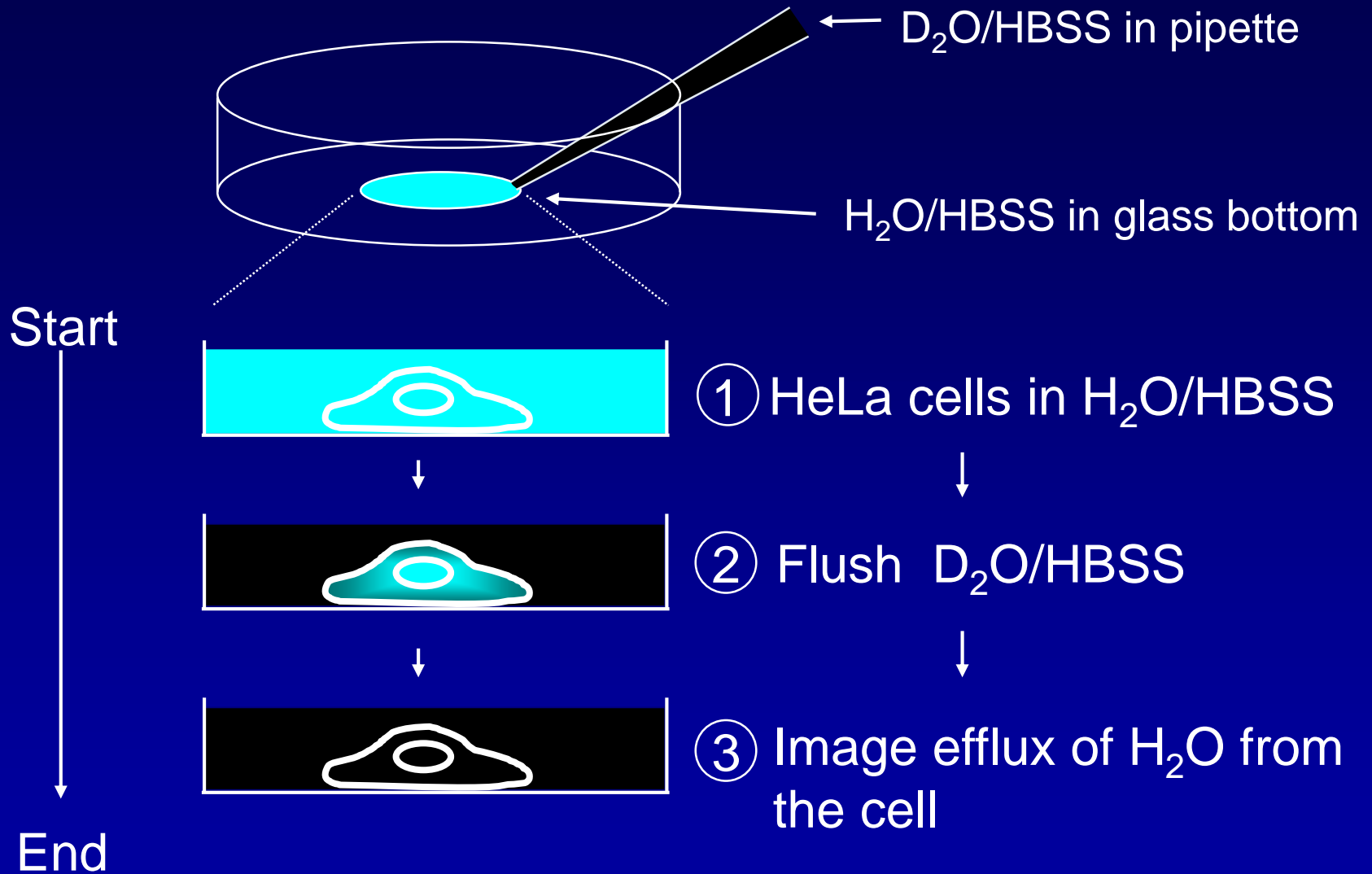
# CARS signals from H<sub>2</sub>O and D<sub>2</sub>O



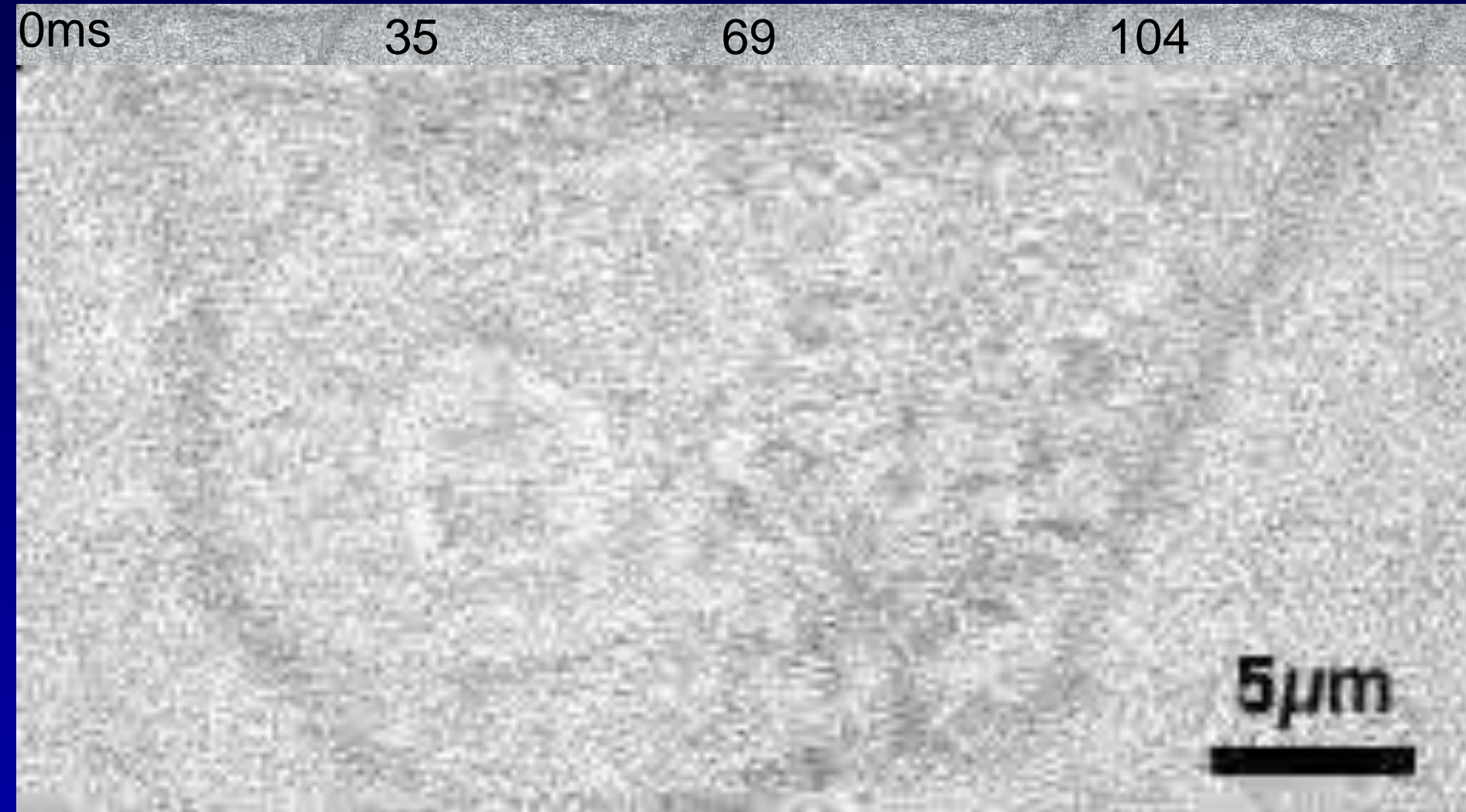
Detection of H<sub>2</sub>O, but not D<sub>2</sub>O (deuterium oxide)



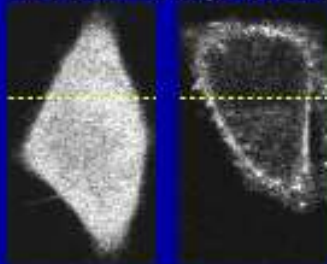
# Experimental procedure for flushing isotonic $D_2O$ /HBSS



# Frame by frame pictures of H<sub>2</sub>O efflux from single cell

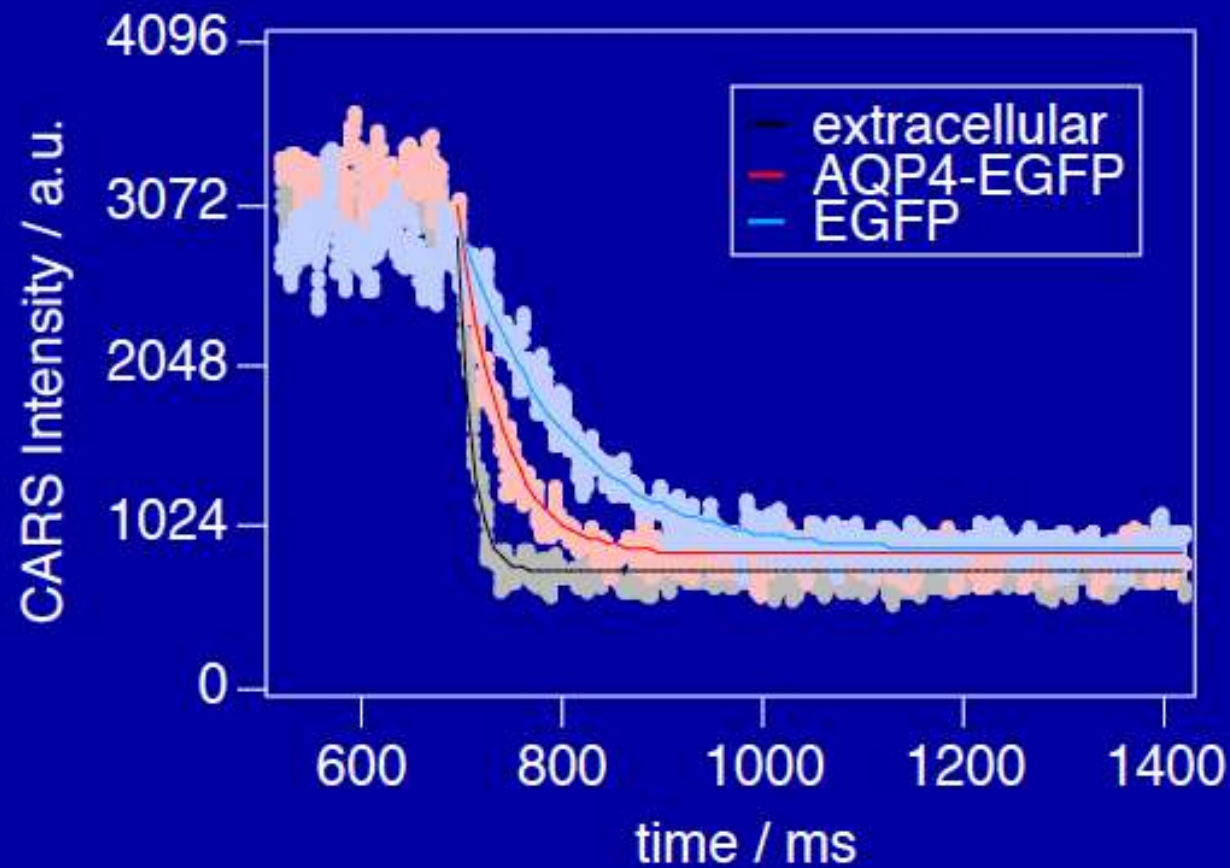
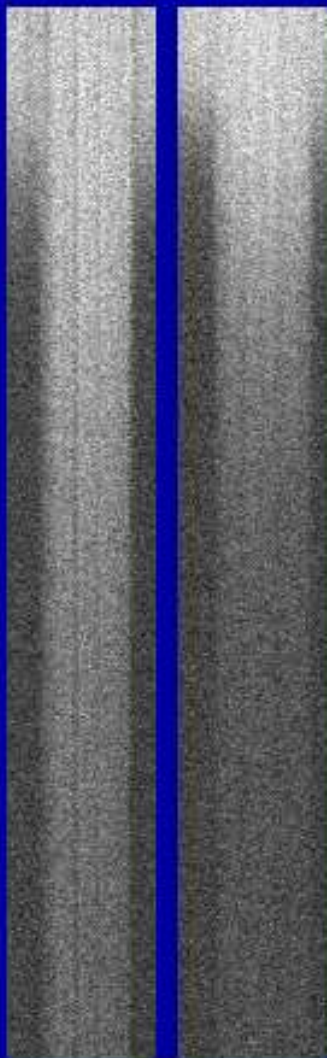


EGFP AQP4-EGFP



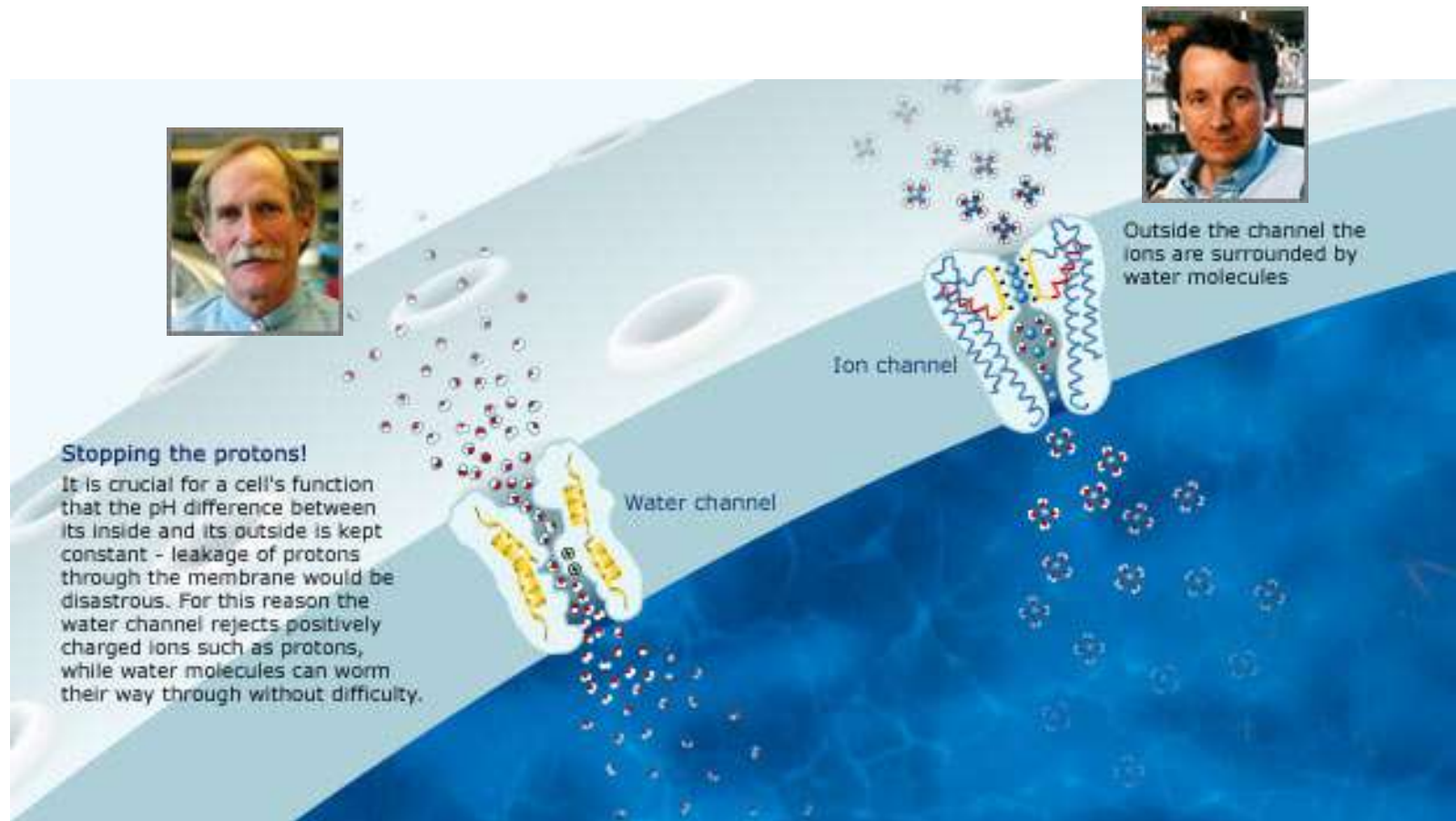
10  $\mu\text{m}$

50 ms

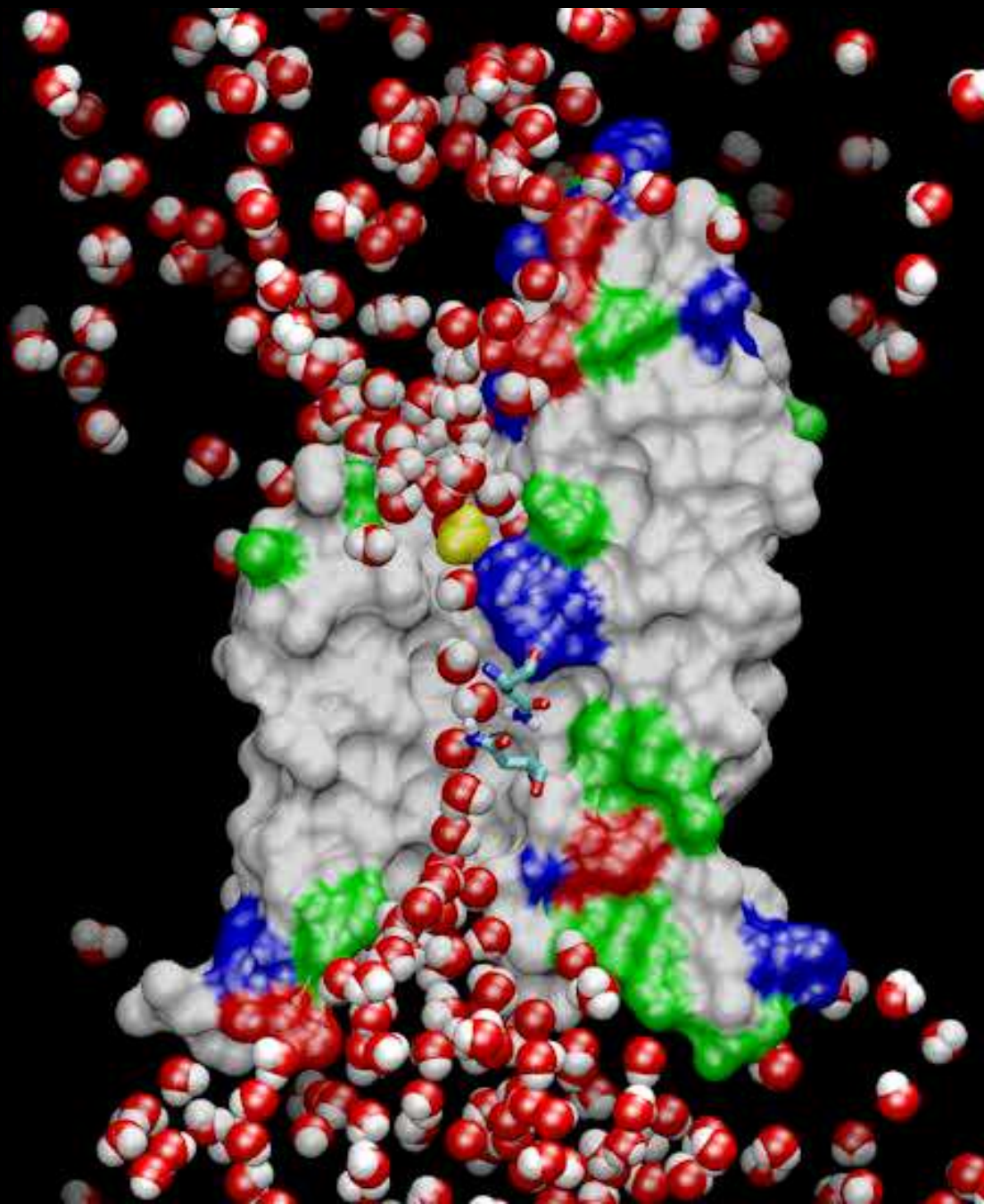


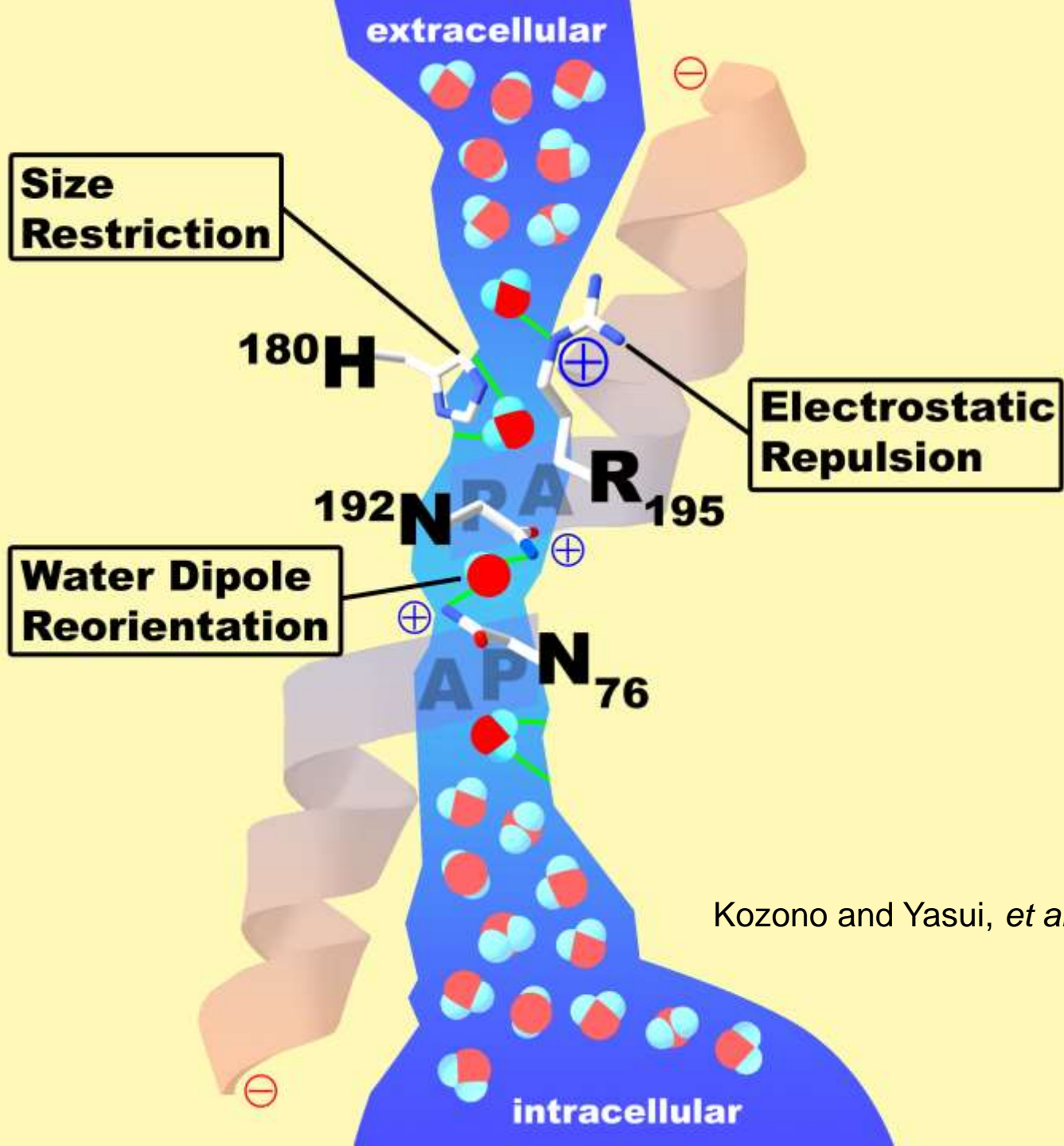
(Ibata *et al*, *Biophys. J.* 2011)

# Structure and Function





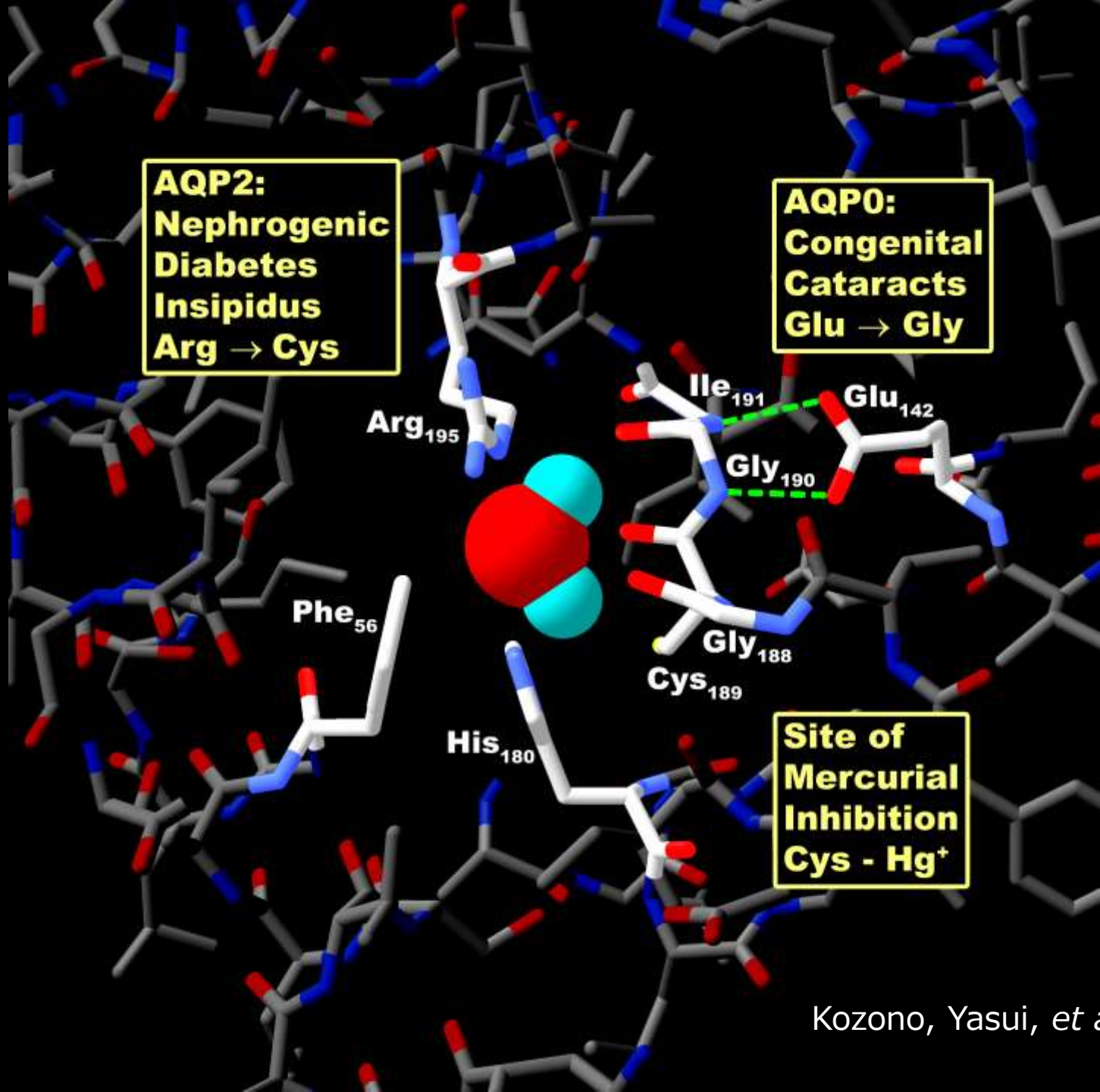




Kozono and Yasui, *et al.*, JCI 2002

**AQP2:  
Nephrogenic  
Diabetes  
Insipidus  
Arg → Cys**

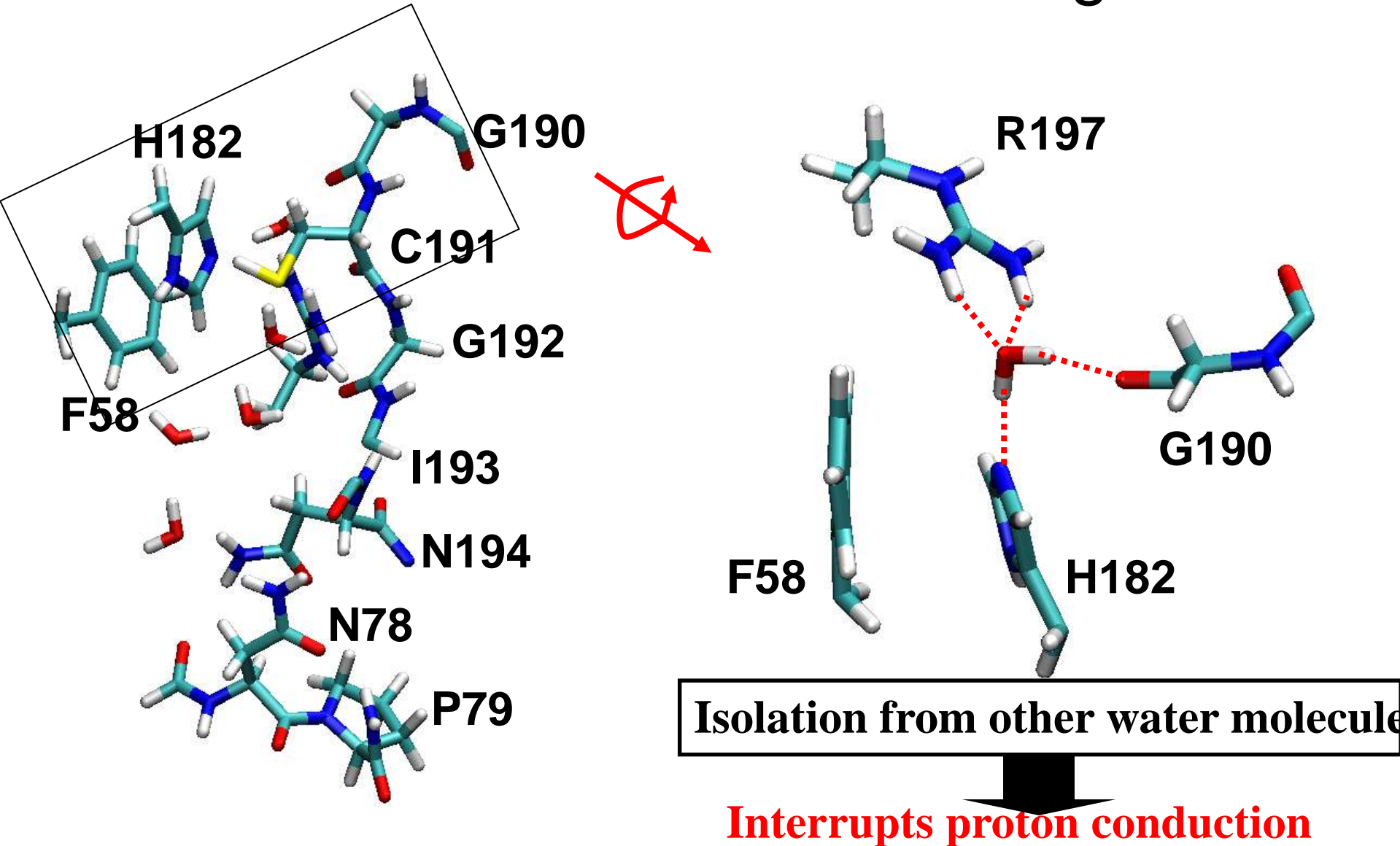
**AQP0:  
Congenital  
Cataracts  
Glu → Gly**



**Site of  
Mercurial  
Inhibition  
Cys - Hg<sup>+</sup>**

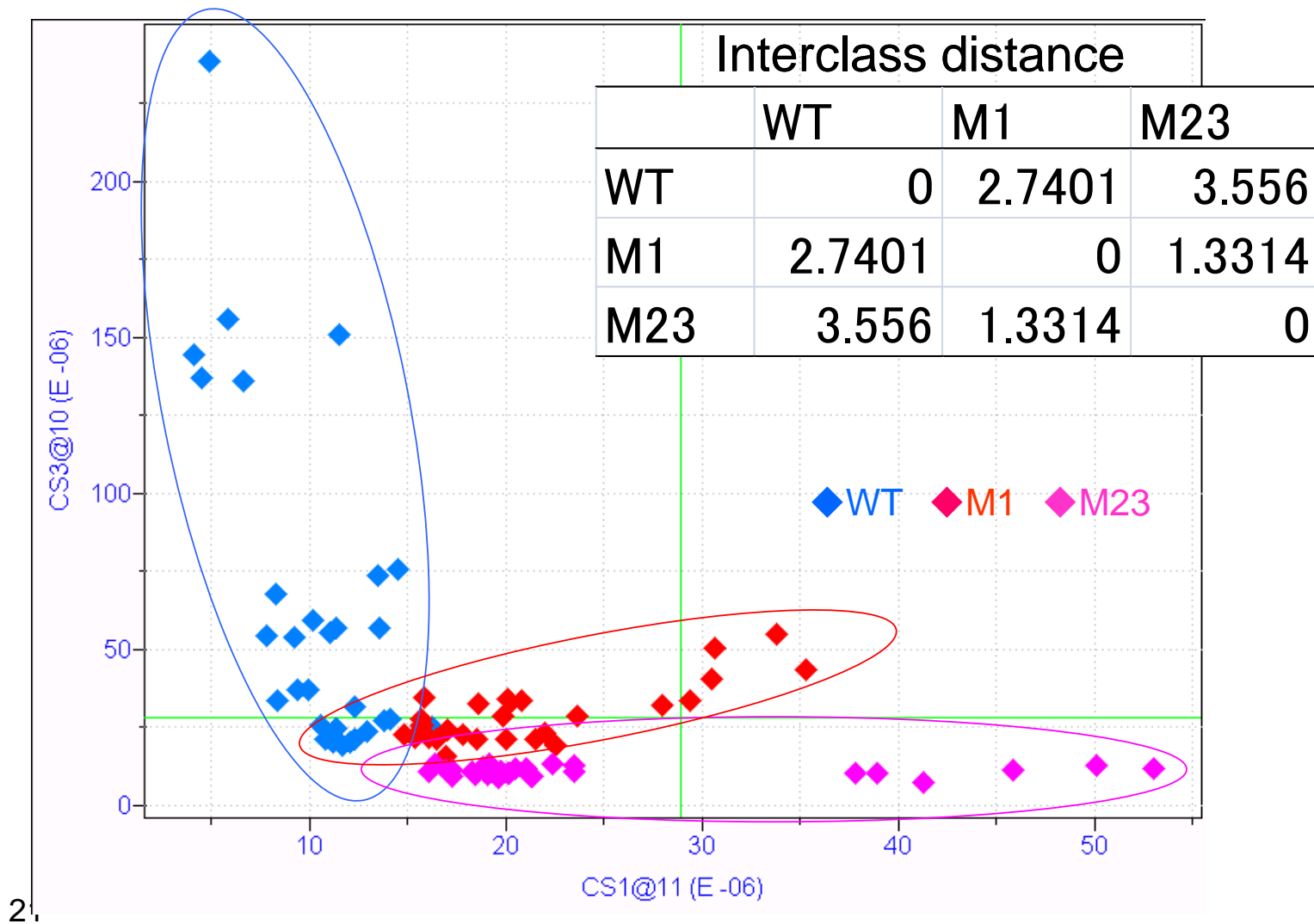


# The orientation and hydrogen bonding of water molecule at ar/R region

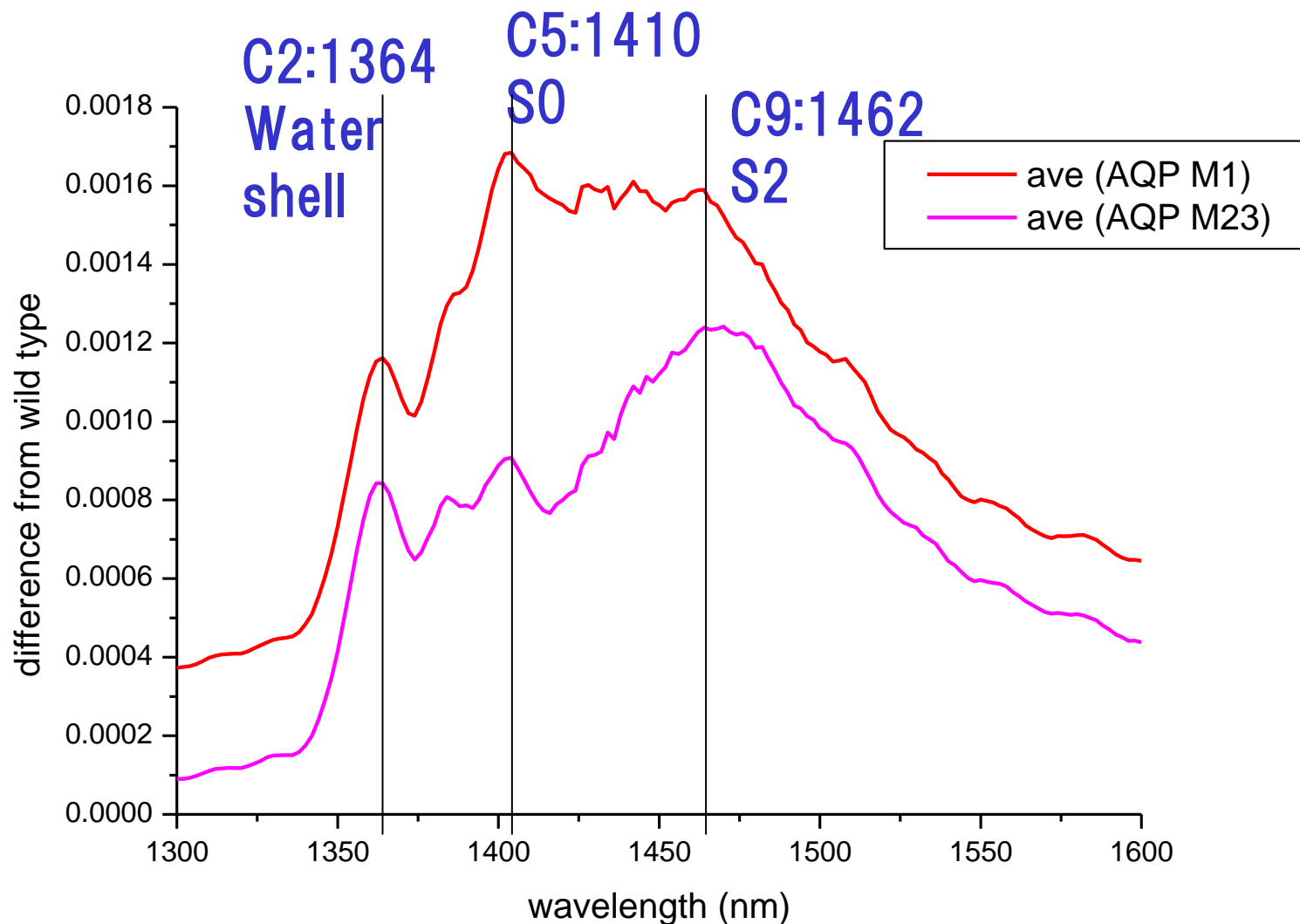




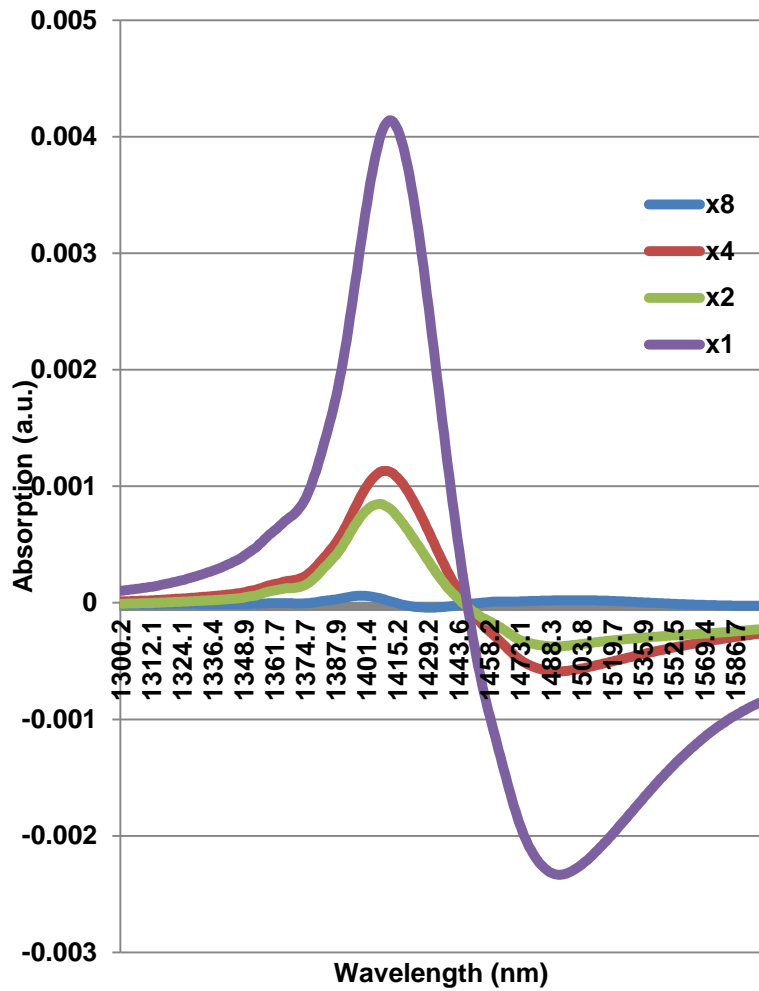
# SIMCA (1300-1600nm, transform : MSC)



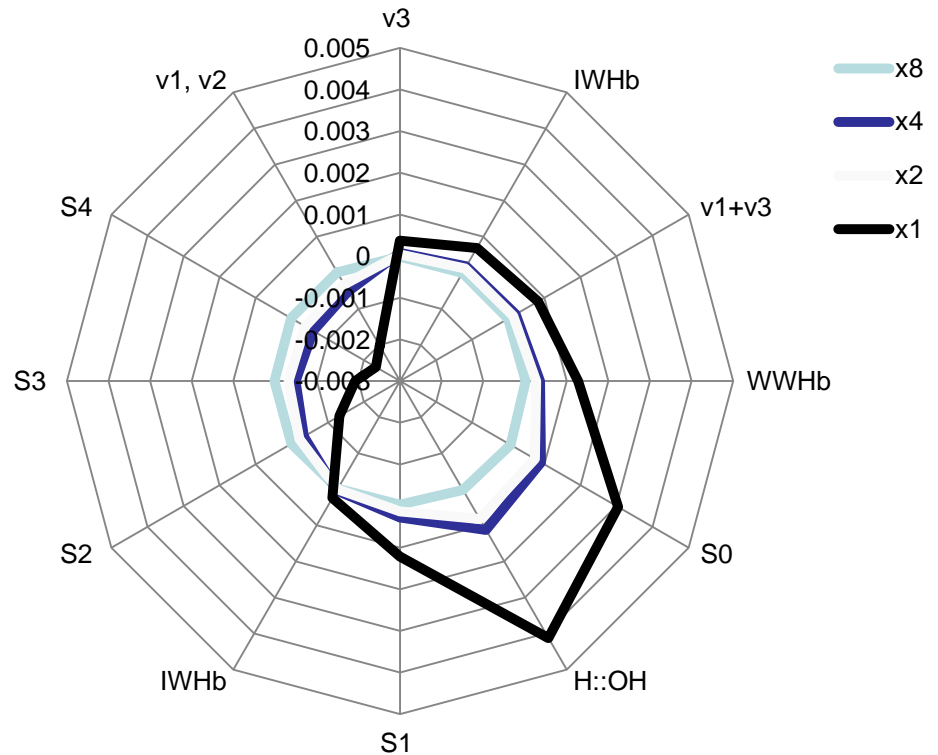
# Difference spectra from Wild type



## Difference spectra WT (AQP4<sup>+</sup>) – KO (AQP4<sup>-</sup>)

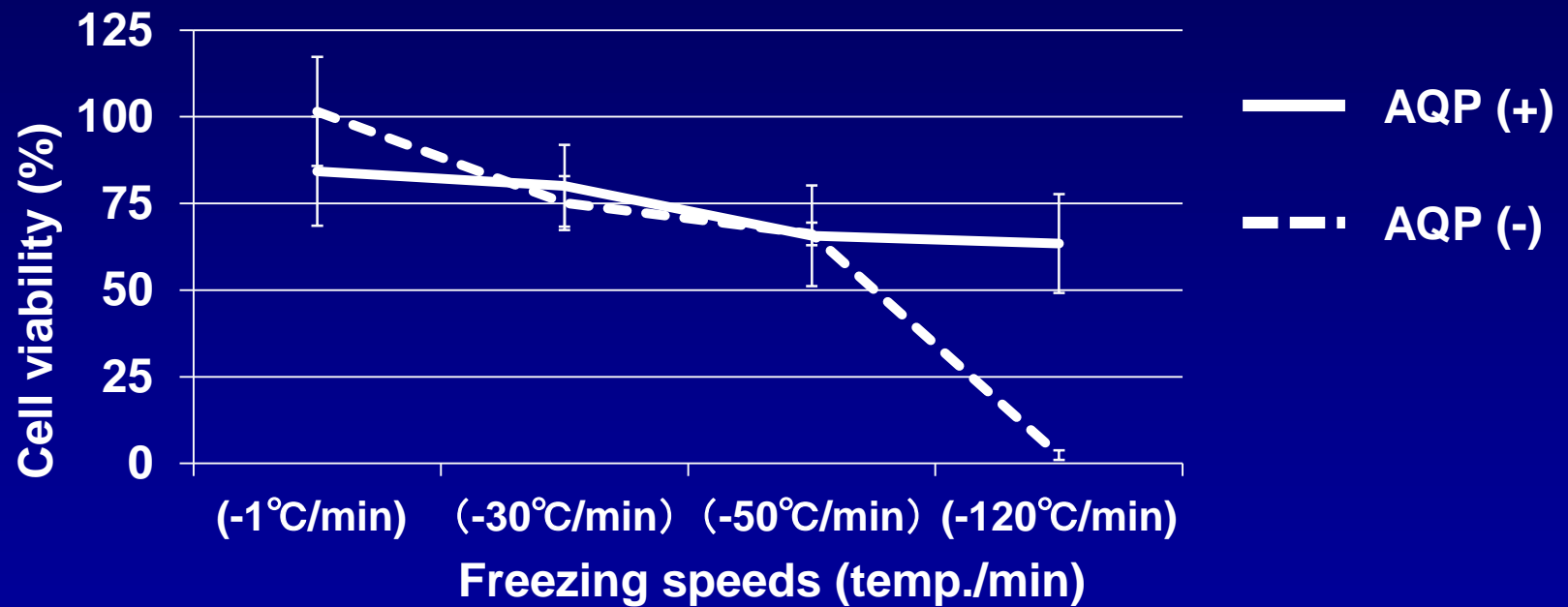


## AquaGram of difference spectra (WT-KO)



Difference spectra WT and KO was indicated the positive band around 1409nm and negative band around 1491nm (left figure). (right figure). AquaGram of Difference spectra WT (AQP4<sup>+</sup>) and KO (AQP4<sup>-</sup>) (right figure). These data shown the increased

# Effects of AQP expression on cryopreservation

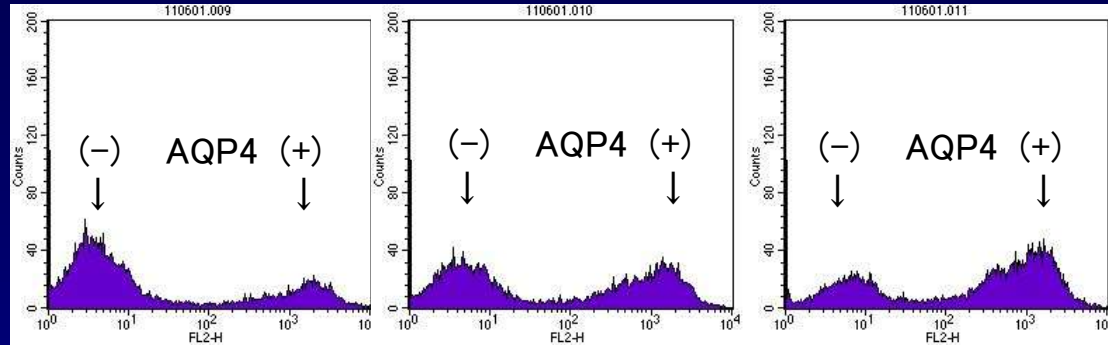
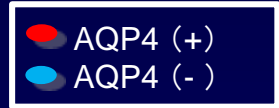
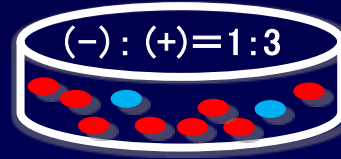
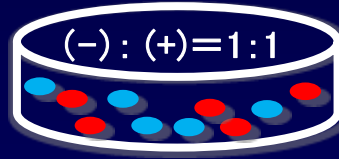
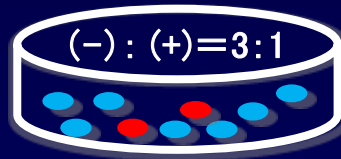


(Kato *et al.*, *PLoS One*, 2014)



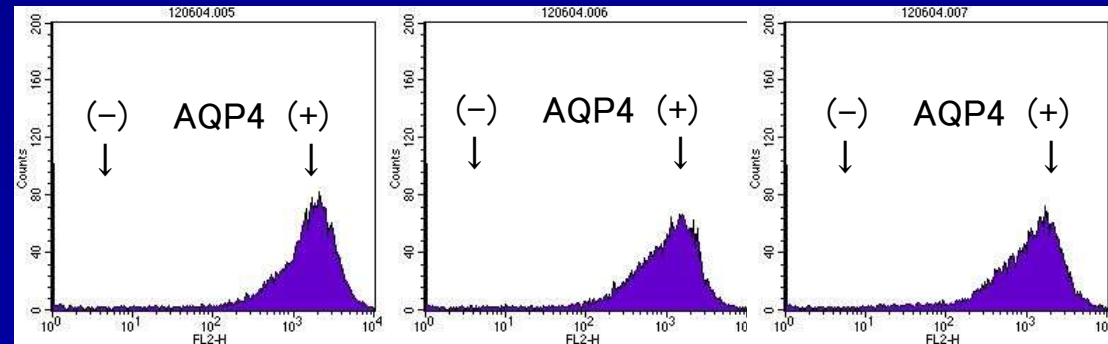
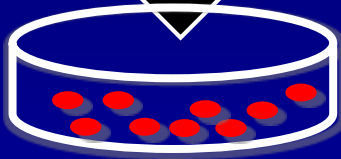
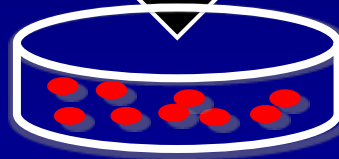
# Anti-freezing effects of AQP

Before freezing



Ultra-quick freezing

After freezing



(Kato et al., PLoS One, 2014)

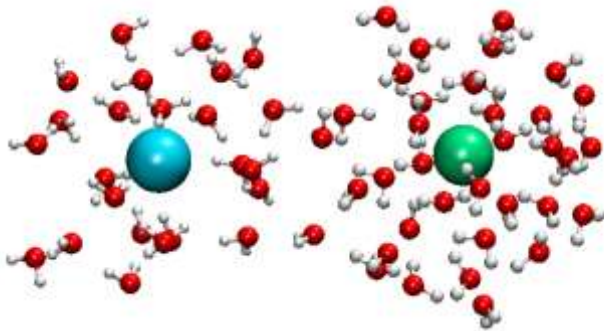
# Aquaphotomics Team at Keio Univ. : from basic to clinical applications



Project leader: Dusan Kojic

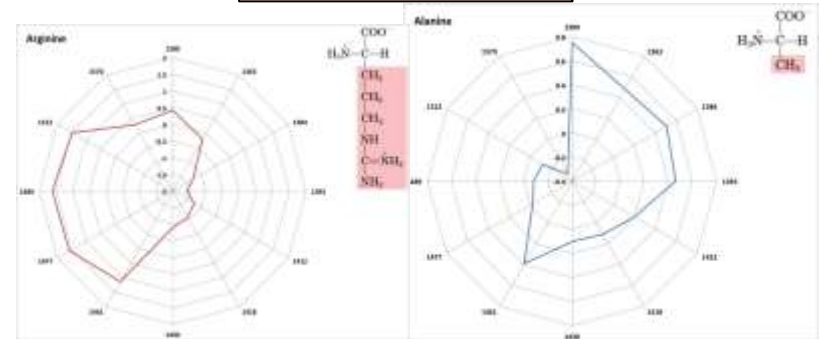
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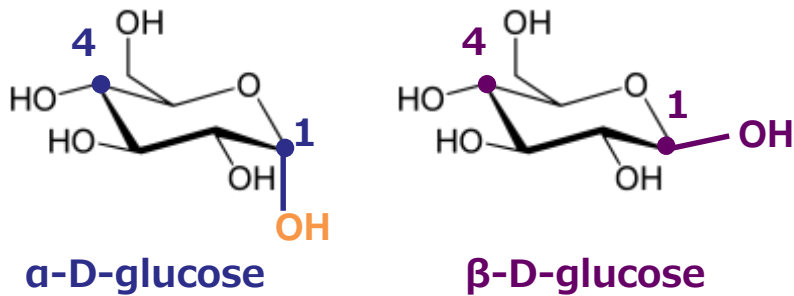
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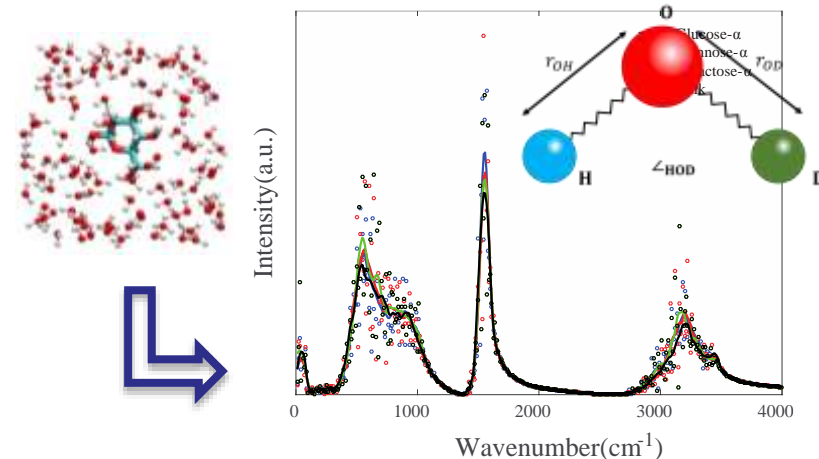
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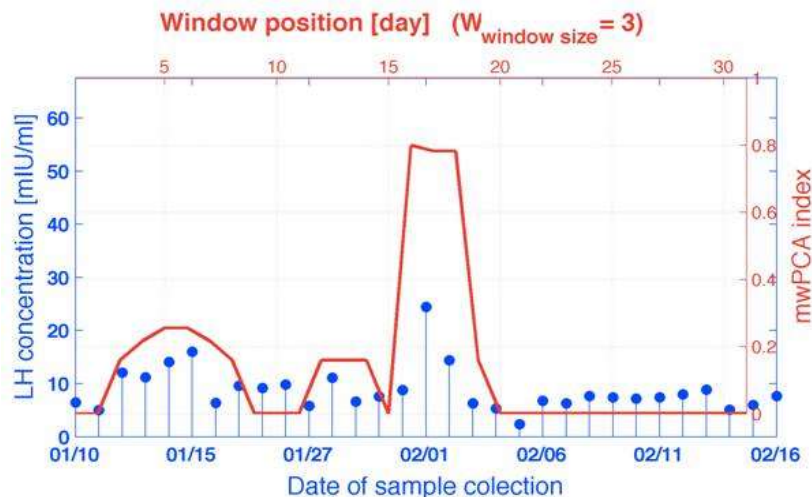
by Tomobe, Nakamura and Yasuoka

Prediction of ovulation in Panda : Kinoshita *et al. Sci. Rep.* 2012

## Prediction of Ovulation in Women

10 healthy women

Patient code: 503



Relation to LH

(Unpublished)

## Diagnosis of Prostate Cancer

Biomarkers :

1. Plasma PSA
2. Urine PCA

200 urine samples have been collected and analyzed from patients whose PSA is between 4 and 20, and taken biopsy at Keio Hospital

*By Kojic, Tanaka, Iijima, etc.*





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