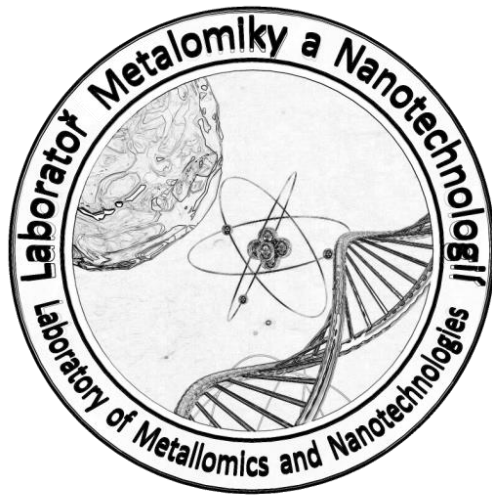
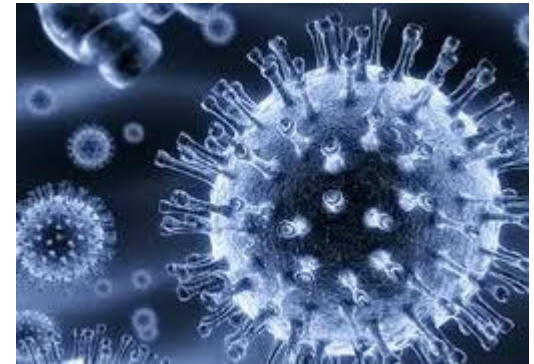


Characteristics of antiviral peptides (AVPs) that inhibit flu and HIV viruses, using QDs for detection

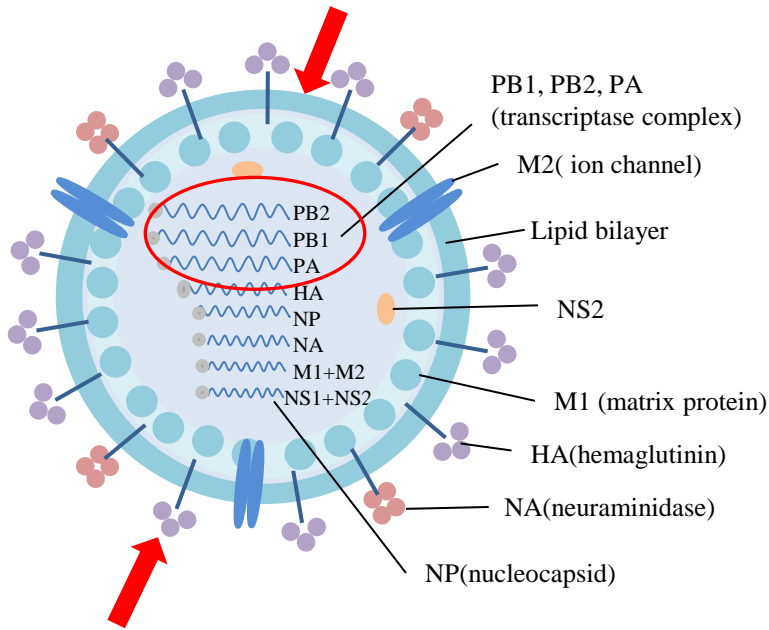


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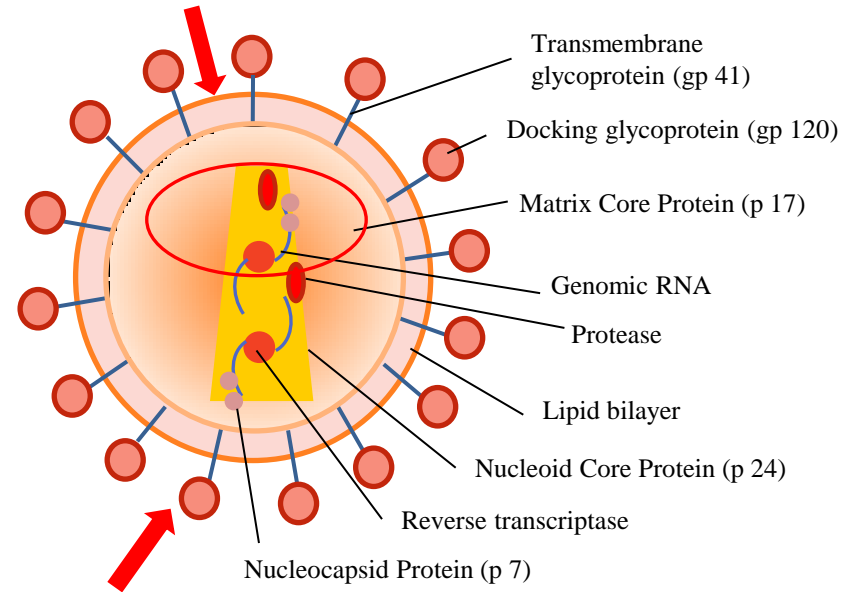


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Influenza and HIV viruses, their structure and target place for therapy



Scheme of influenza virion



Scheme of HIV virion

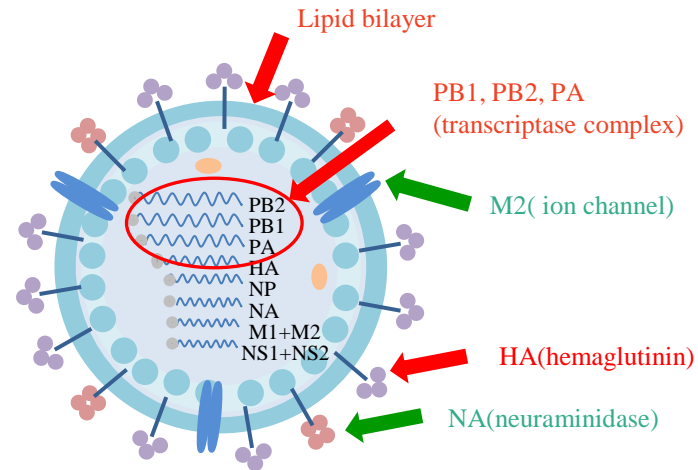
Targets for antiviral peptide therapy

Lipid bilayer

Surface proteins (antigens)

Complex for transcription and replication

Current and potential influenza therapy



Current antiviral therapy:

- Symptomatic treatment (antipyretics, vitamin C...)
- ➔ • Blockers of M2 channel (Amantadin, Rimantidin)
- ➔ • Neuraminidase inhibitors (Oseltamivir a Zanamivir)



resistance increase (up to 80%)

Future therapy:

Gene and/or Anti sense therapy

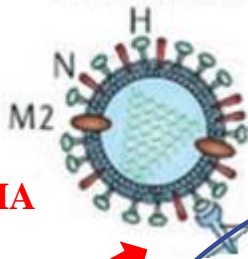
➔ Antiviral peptide therapy (lipid membrane, surface protein, replication)

- ✓ Minimal resistance
- ✓ Selectivity
- ✓ Variability
- ✓ Easy to produce
- ✓ Minimal side effects

Influenza life cycle and target place for therapy

Adsorption

HA binds host cell receptor



Buding and packing

Release

Neuraminidase inhibitors

- No release new formed virions
- No transmission of infection

AVPs against HA (hemagglutinin)

- No adsorption
- No host cell binding

AVPs against LB (Lipid bilayer)

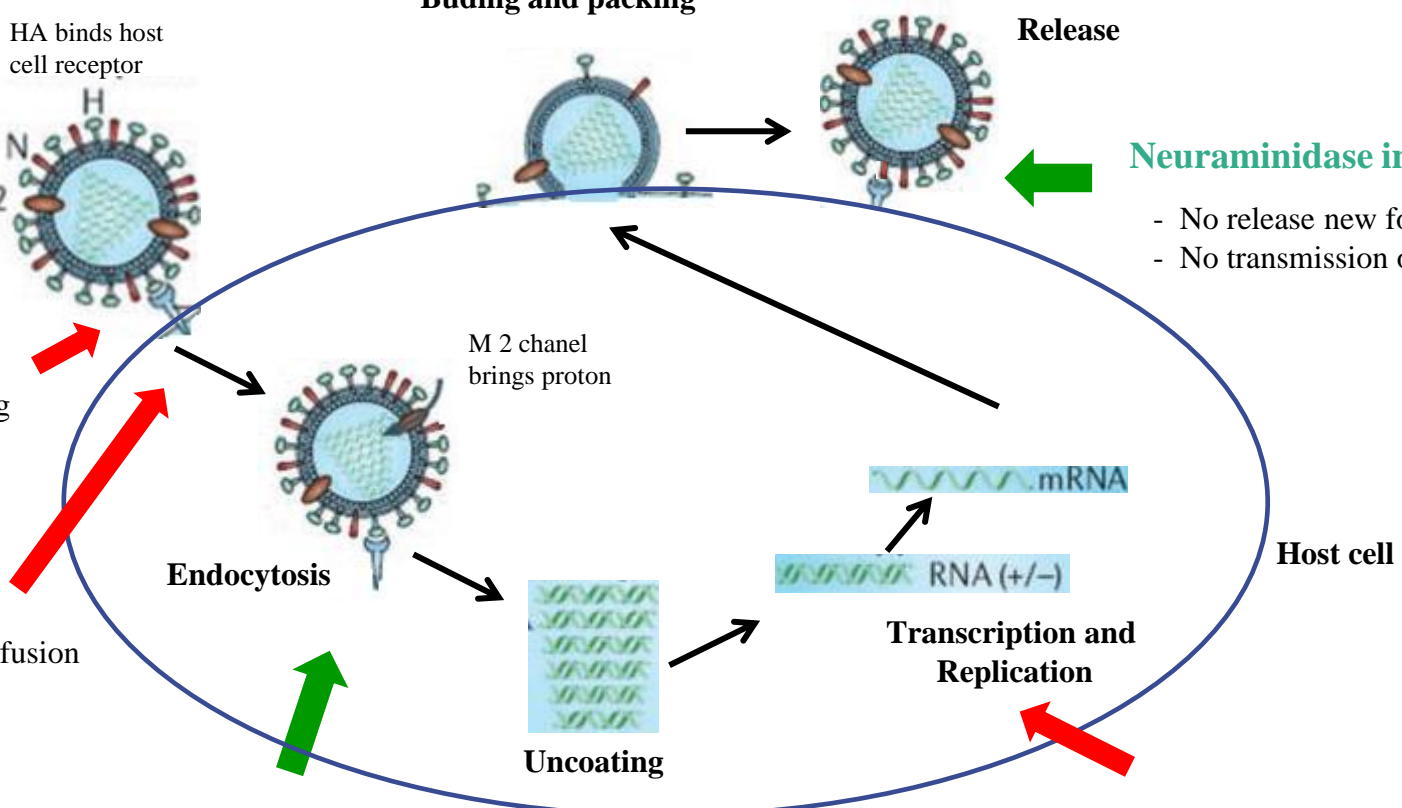
- No membrane cell fusion
- No endocytosis

Blockers of M2 channel

- No virus uncoating
- No release of viral RNA
- No replication

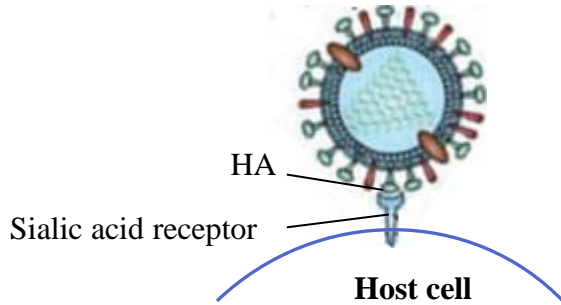
AVPs against polymerase

- No polymerase assembly
- No replication



The principle effect of peptides targeting to the replication

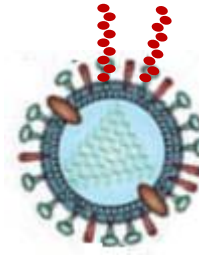
Influenza virus



Antiviral peptide



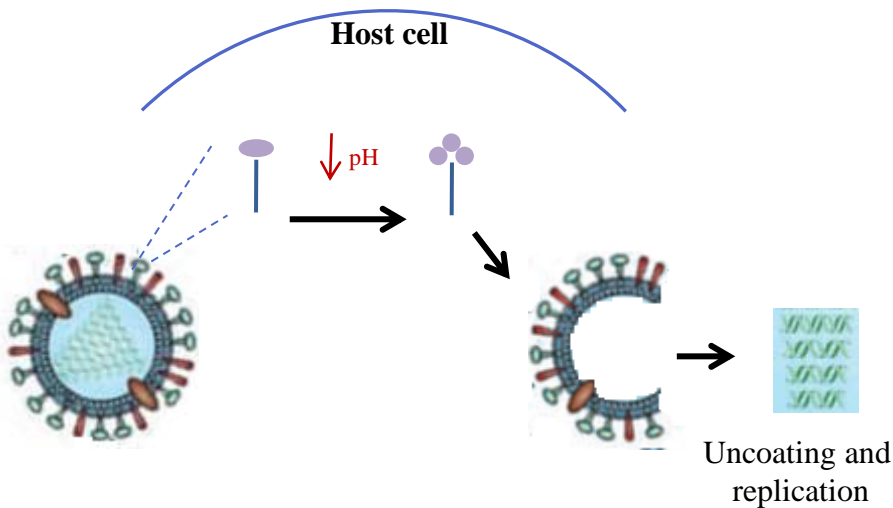
AVP interaction with HA



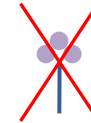
~~No influenza virus and host receptor interaction~~



Host cell

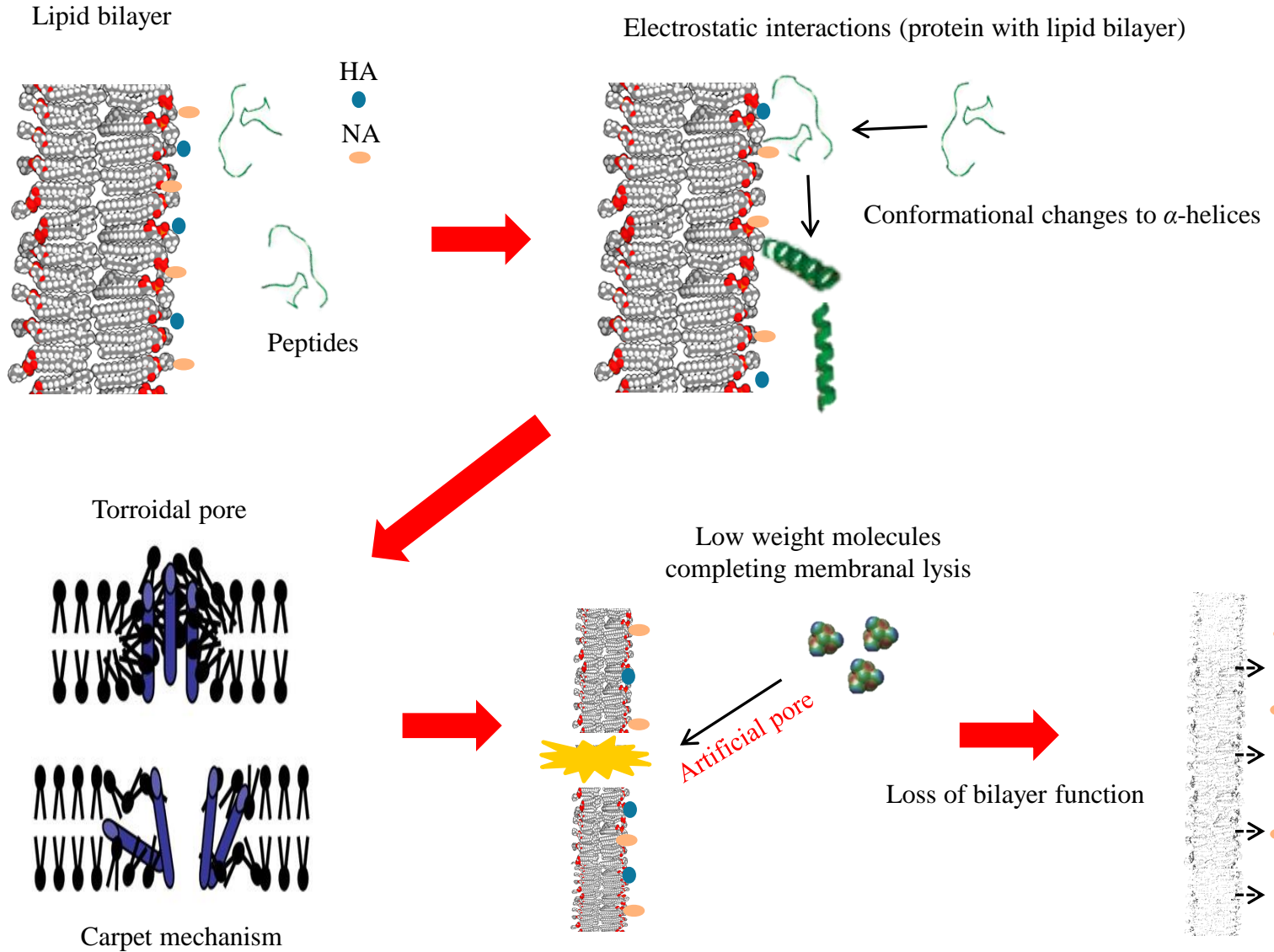


Antiviral peptide

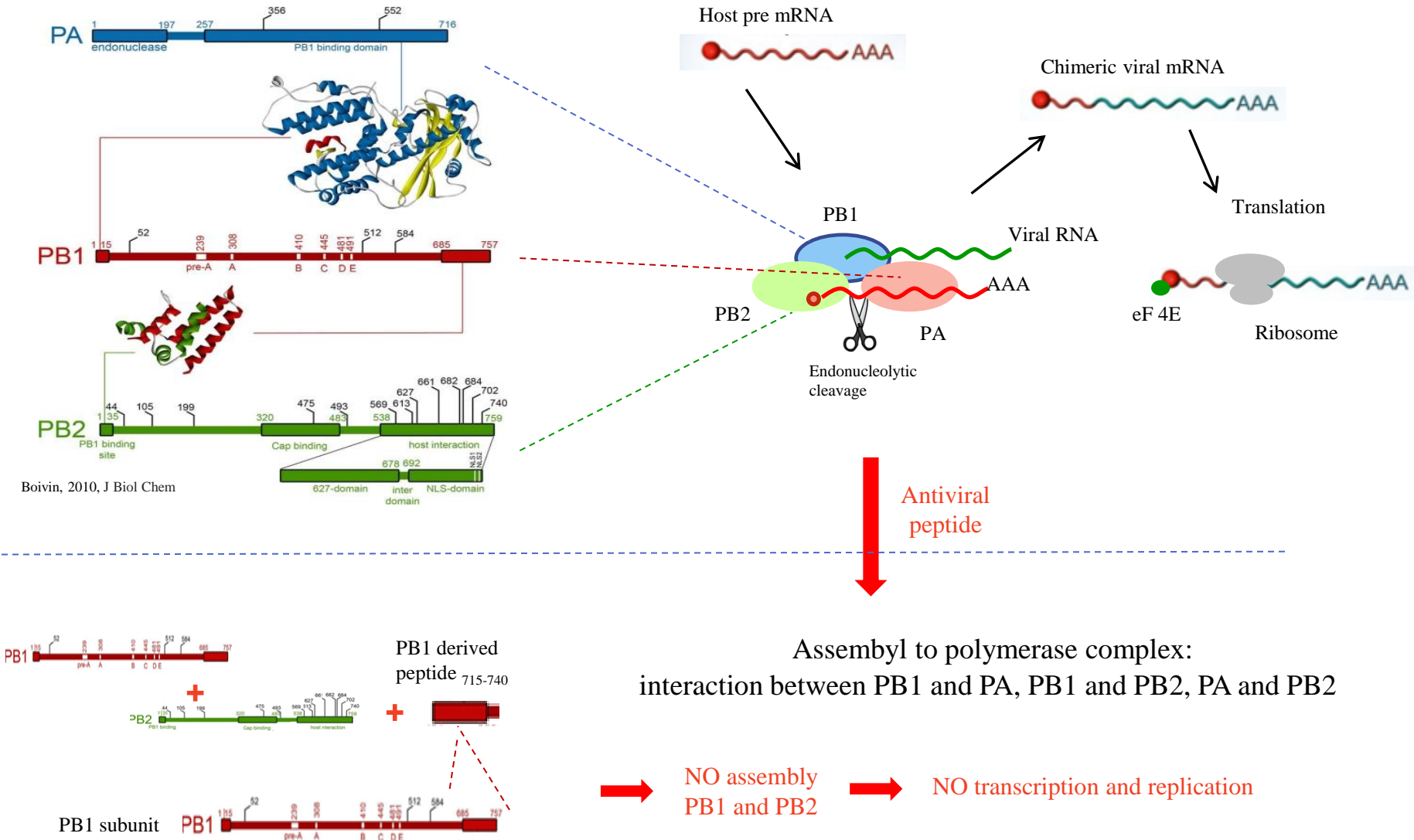


~~No HA trimerisation
No uncoating and replication~~

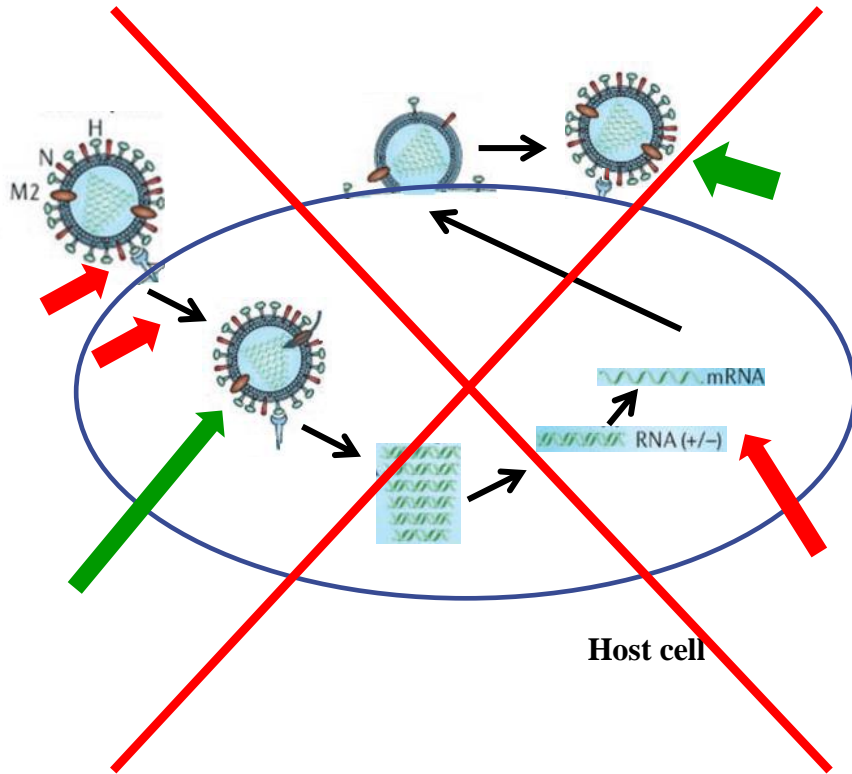
The principle effect of peptides targeting the lipid bilayer



The principle effect of peptides targeting to the replication

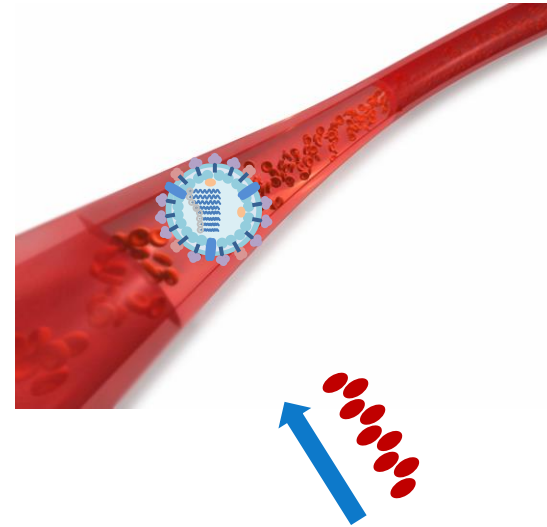


New strategy for peptide therapy



Current strategy

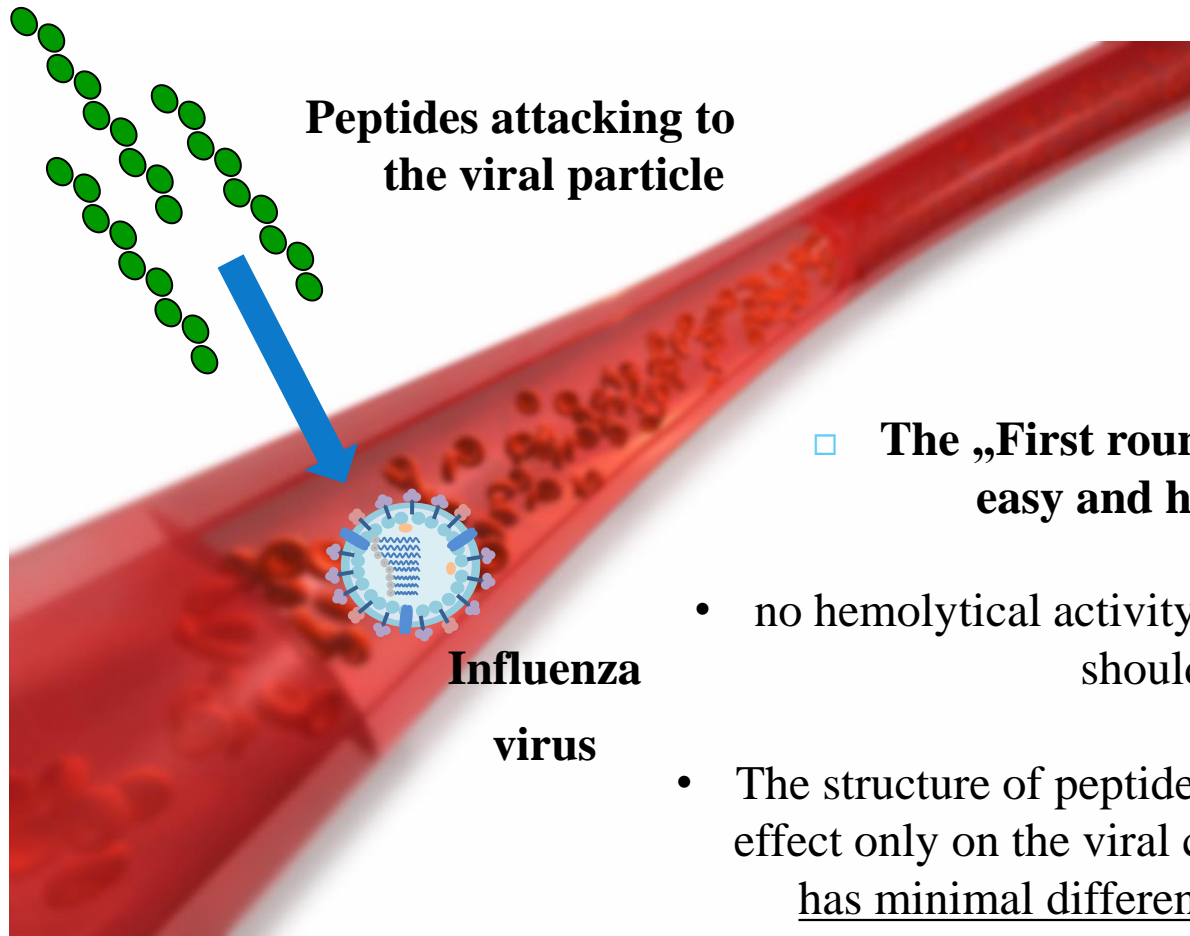
Is target on host cell interaction



New strategy

Is target on influenza viruses before interaction with host cell.

The „First round knockout strategy“



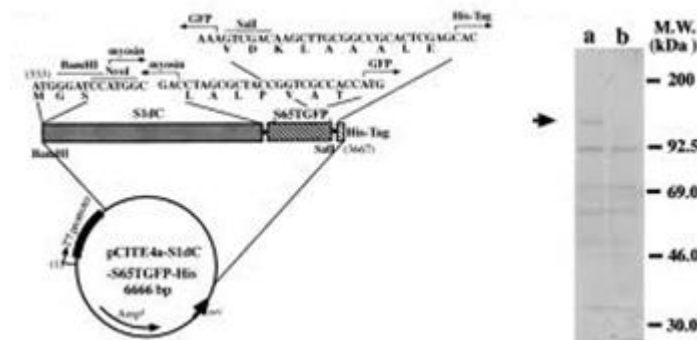
□ The „First round knockout strategy“ is not easy and has many requirements:

- no hemolytical activity of peptide and no toxic effect should be occurring
- The structure of peptide must be tuned to have specific effect only on the viral cytoplasmatic membrane which has minimal difference to human cell membrane
- The therapeutical concentration of „membrane affecting“ peptides is usual too high and in the case of blood vessel environment there is high therapeutical index needed.

Our aims in preparation and testing of AVPs

- Production of AVPs and testing models in Vivo

(by recombinant protein)



- Synthetic high purity production of AVPs

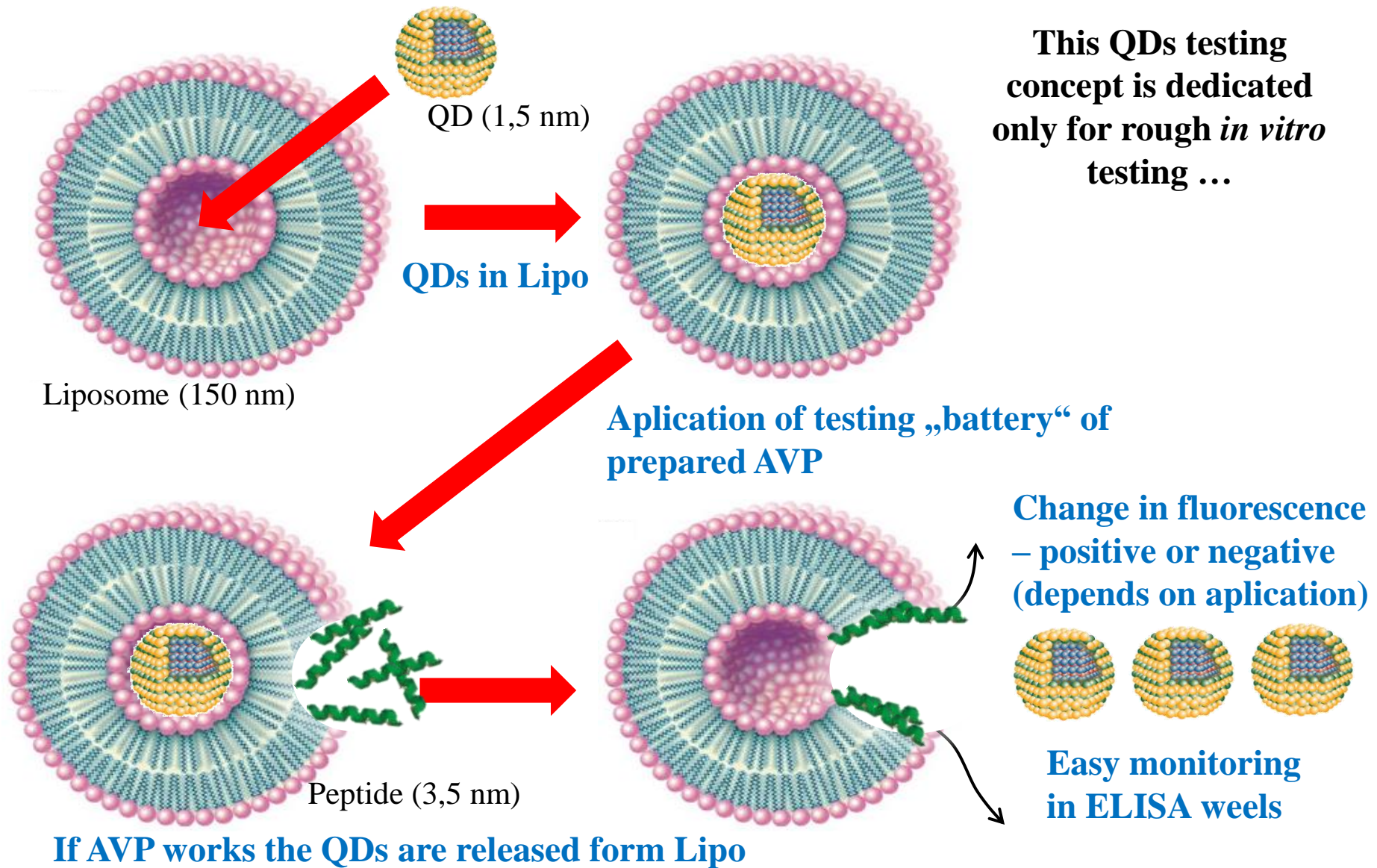


- One of our favorite peptide „now“ is **Melitin**, highlited part of peptide will by produced in **Yasara software** as computed variants.... We will tune it's „**Net charge**“

GIGAVLKVLTTGL **PALISWIKRKRQQ**

- Testing the hemolytical activity (is easy and neccessary stepp in case of all peptides)
- Testing of the efficiency of peptide variants on **lipid membrane or better directly on the model of particle of virus** could be **Quantum Dots** useful for this????

The „ QDs lipo-release“ testing concept



Conclusions: **What we have...what we need:**

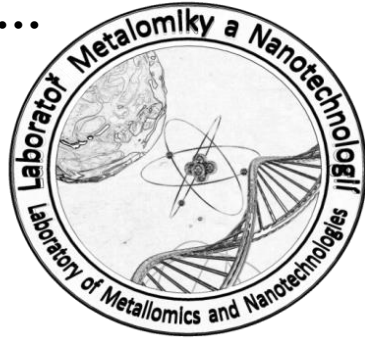
- Are we able to prepare QDs? ... **We are!!!**
- Are we able to prepare bilayered liposome? ... **We should be.**
- Are we able to predict the sequence of peptide? ... **We are't!!!**
- Are we able to produce various peptides in high scale and purity? ... **We will**

...these Antiviral peptides in range of our interest for future studies:

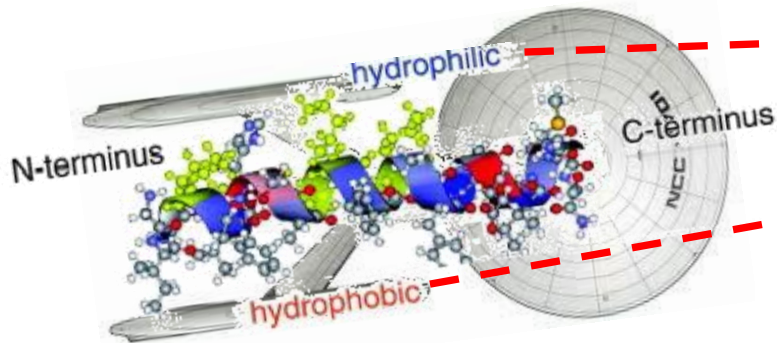
| Peptide | Sequence |
|-------------------|---|
| LL-37 | LLGDFFRKSK EKIGKEFKRI VQRIKDFLRN LVPRTES |
| Lactoferrin | SKHSSLDCVLRP |
| Synthetic peptide | AGDDQGLDKC VPNSKEK |
| Synthetic peptide | NGESSADWAKN |
| Melittin | GIGAVLKVLT TGLPALISW IKRKRQQ |

Thank you for your attention

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