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Double-strand DNA break repair by homologous recombination:
Roles of the Snf2-like motor protein Rad54



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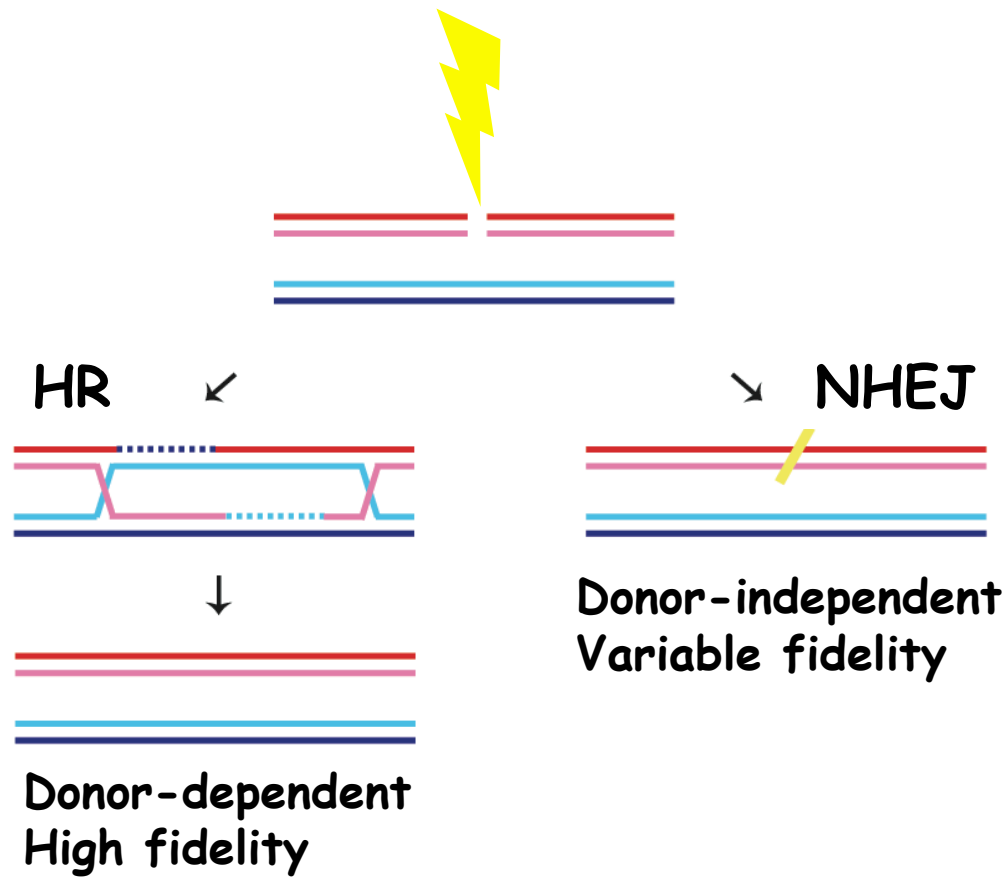
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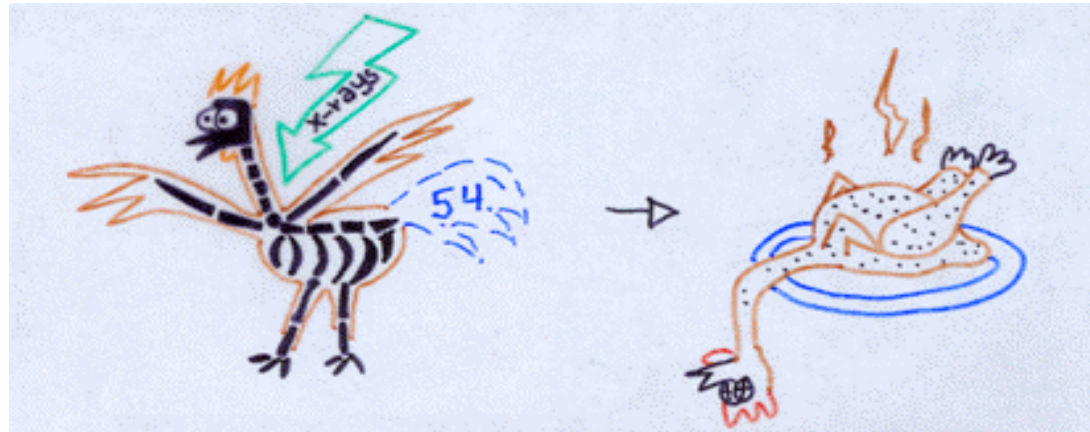
Pathways of DSB repair



RAD54 is a member of the ***RAD52*** epistasis group and is critical for DSB repair and recombination *in vivo*.

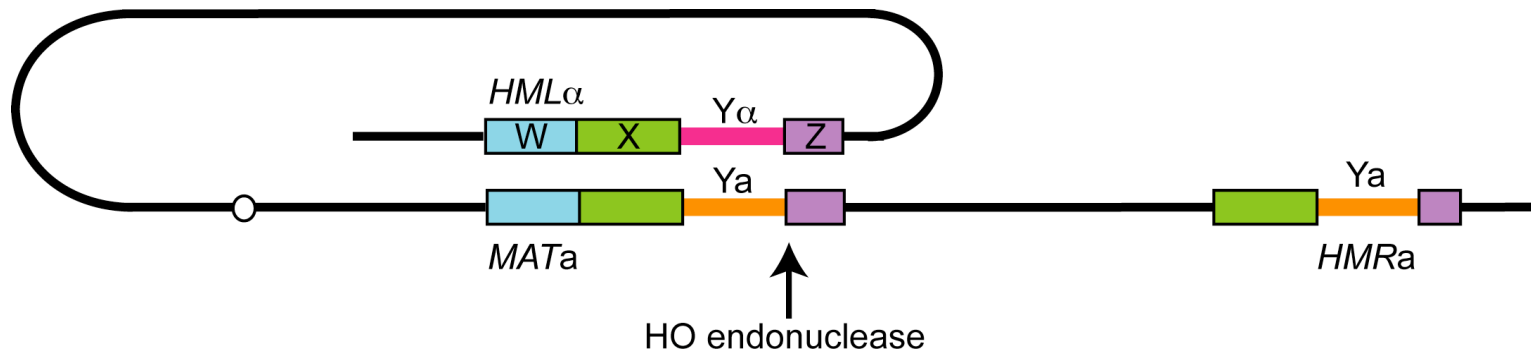
RAD54

Ionizing radiation induces DSBs and other types of DNA damage.



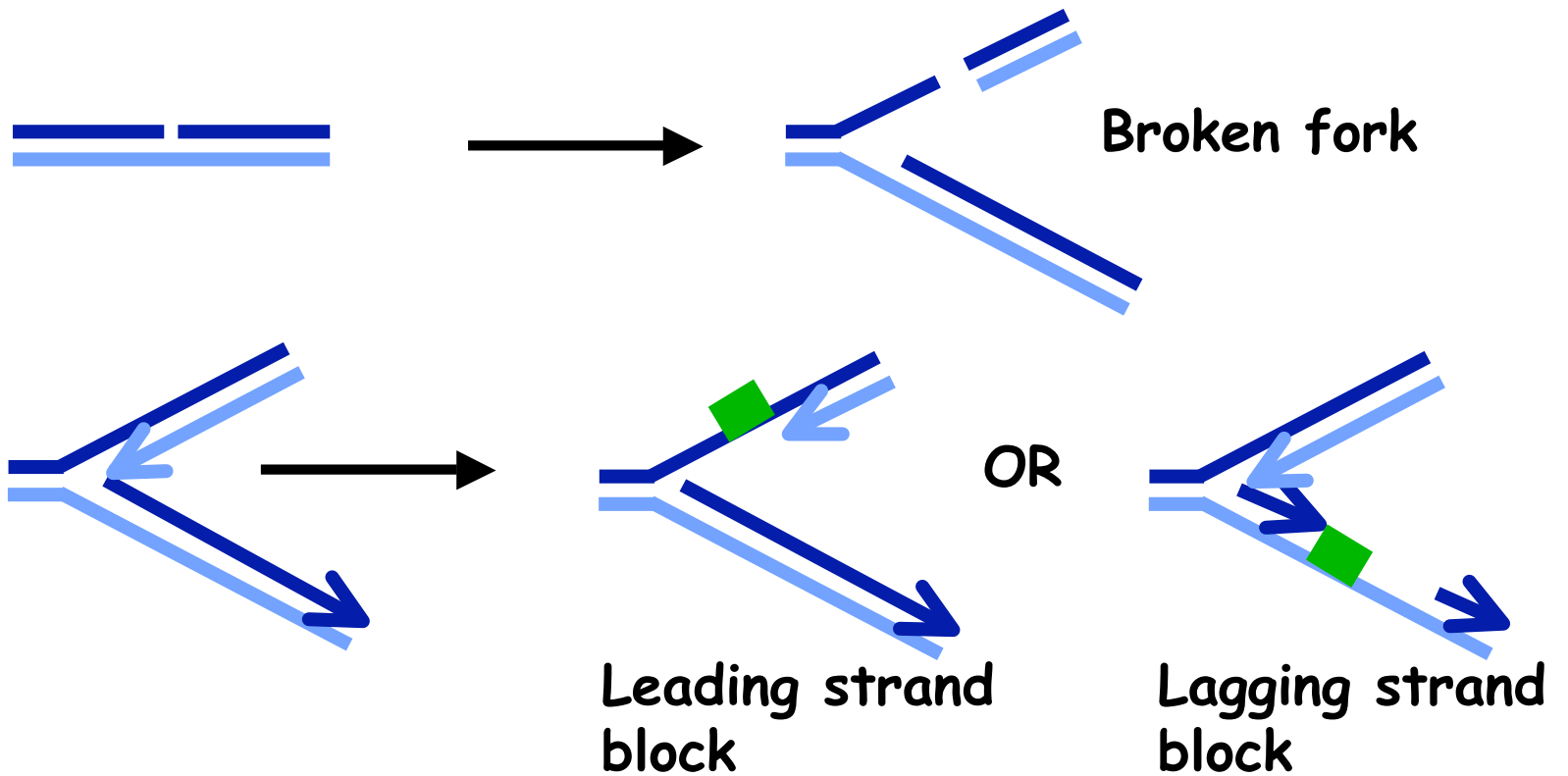
rad54 mutants are among the most ionizing radiation sensitive mutants in budding yeast (to a similar extent as *rad51* and *rad52* mutants).

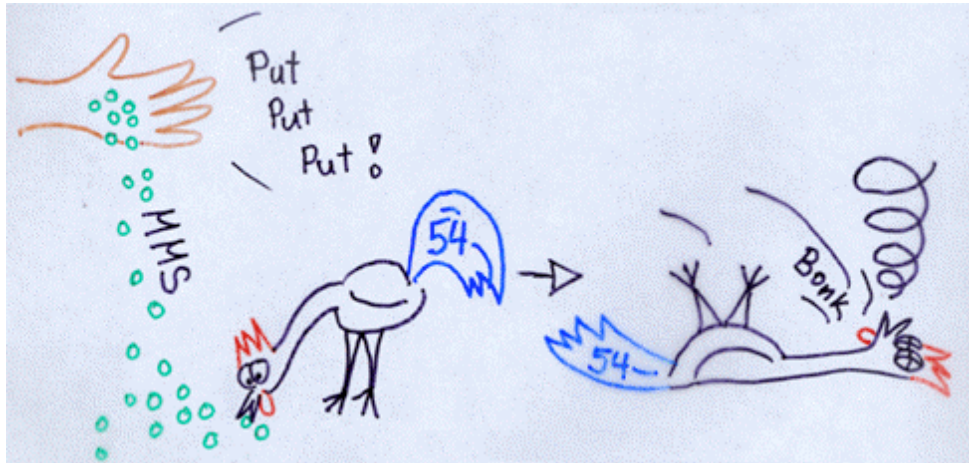
rad54 cells are defective in repairing a single DSB.



S.cerevisiae rad54 mutants are defective in mating-type switching (repair of a single DSB), similar to *rad51* and *rad52* mutants.

MMS-, CPT-, and UV-induced DNA damage leads to stalling and breaking of replication forks.



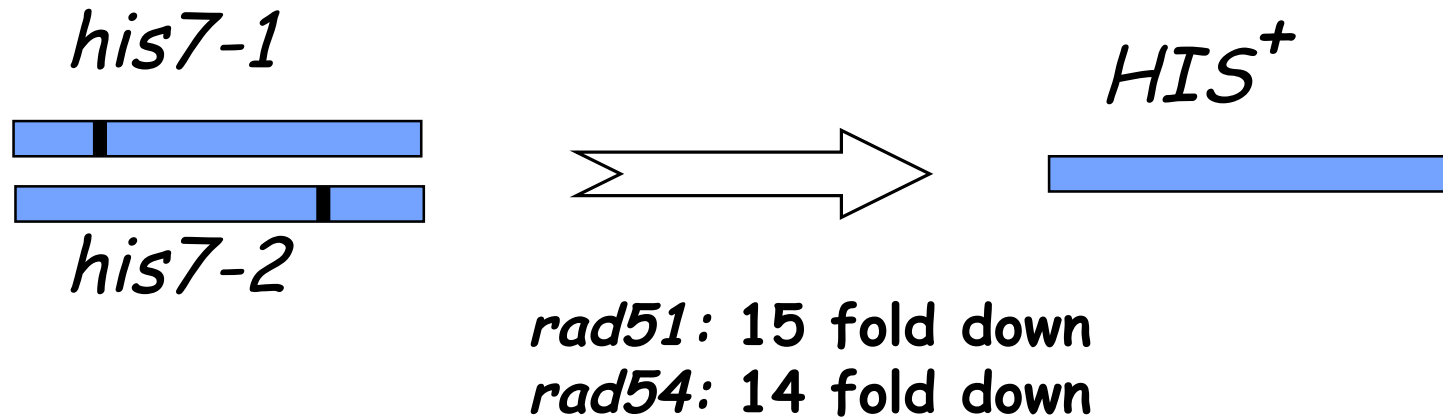


rad54 mutants are very sensitive to methylmethane sulfonate (MMS) (to a similar extent as *rad51* and *rad52* mutants).

rad54 mutants are sensitive to UV (to a similar extent as *rad51* and *rad52* mutants).



Rad54 is important for homologous recombination.



S. cerevisiae rad54 mutants are defective in mitotic intragenic recombination (heteroalleles) to a similar extent as *rad51* (and *rad52*) mutants.

Mammalian Rad54 (Wesoly et al. 2006)

2 paralogs Rad54 and Rad54B

rad54^{-/-} mouse ES cells IR^s, MMC^s, hyporec

rad54B^{-/-} mouse ES cells less IR^s, MMC^s, rec⁺

rad54^{-/-} *rad54B*^{-/-} enhanced IR^s, MMC^s, very hyporec

animals synergistic MMC^s - tissue specificity?

Mutations in *RAD54* and *RAD54B* found in primary human cancers.

Rad54 is a Snf2-like member of the DNA helicase Superfamily 2.

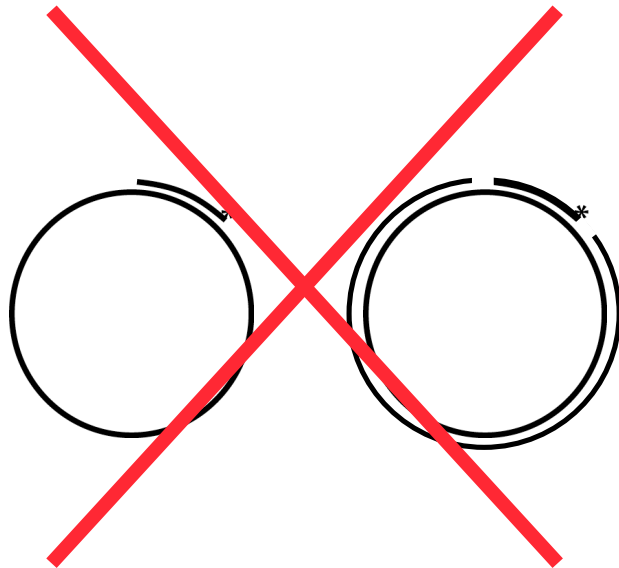


DEMGLGKT
↓
rad54-K341R R

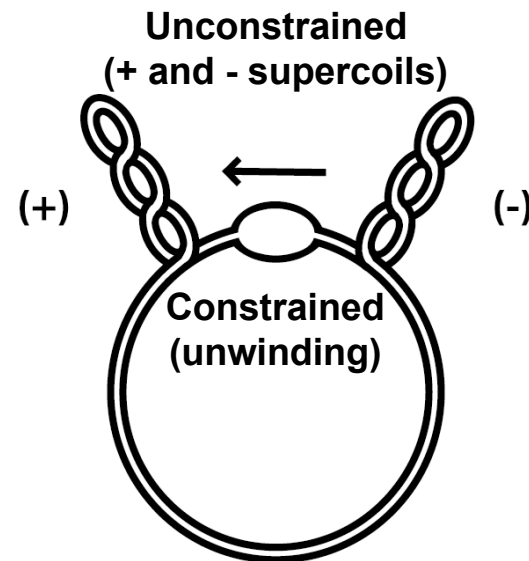
- 17 Snf2-like proteins in *S. cerevisiae* and 7 with function in DNA repair (Rad54, Rdh54, Rad26/CS-B, Rad5, Rad16, Ino80, Swr1)
- 53 Snf2-like protein in humans

(Flaus et al. 2006 NAR)

Rad54 is not a DNA helicase but a dsDNA translocase.

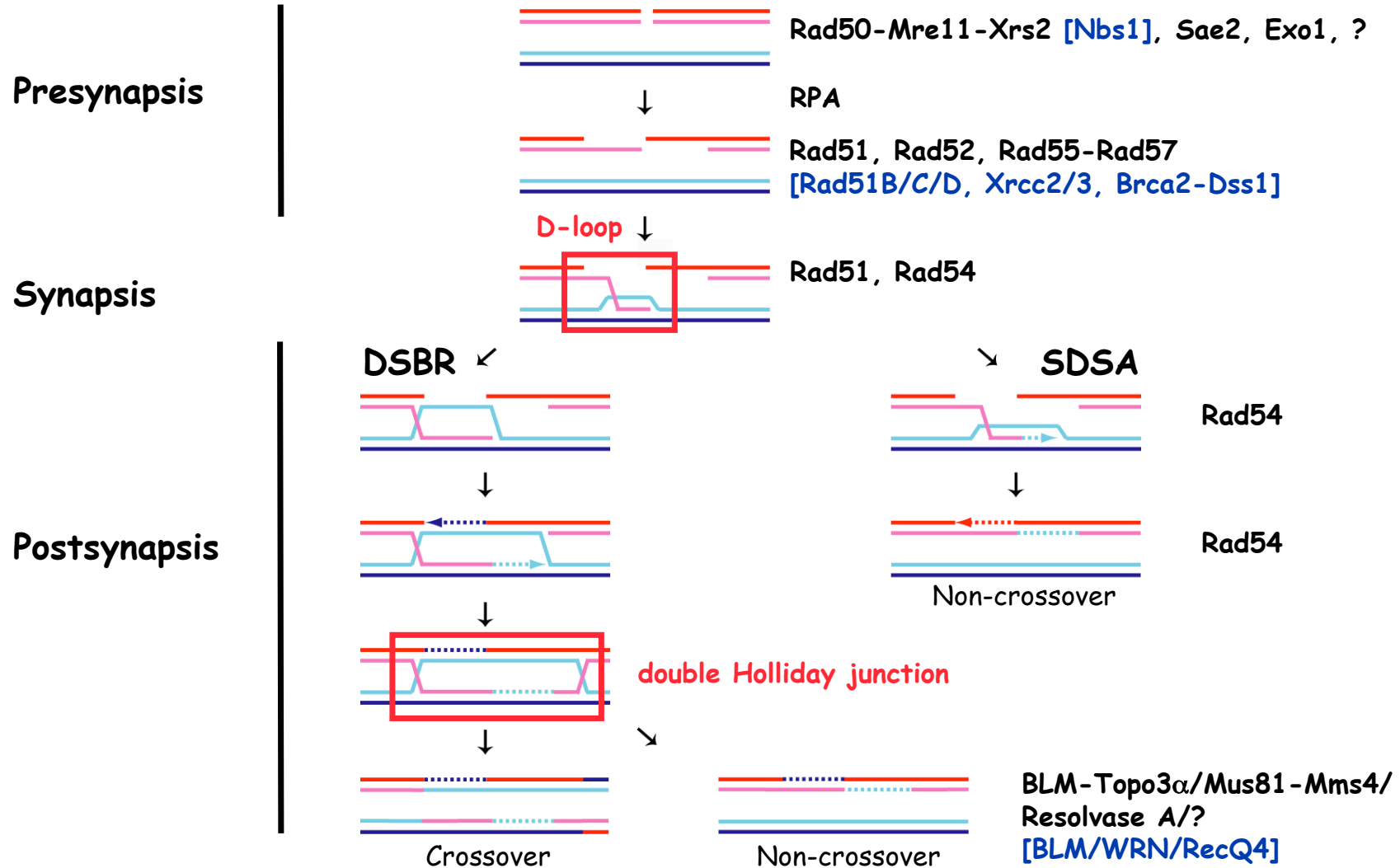


No helicase activity



Translocation on dsDNA at 300 bp/sec causing topological changes
(Amitani et al. 2006)

DSB repair by homologous recombination



Complex reactions with interacting components

Interactions all
at the same time:
Stable complex?



"Recombinosome"

Sequential transient
interactions:
Assembly line?



Pathway

Facts:

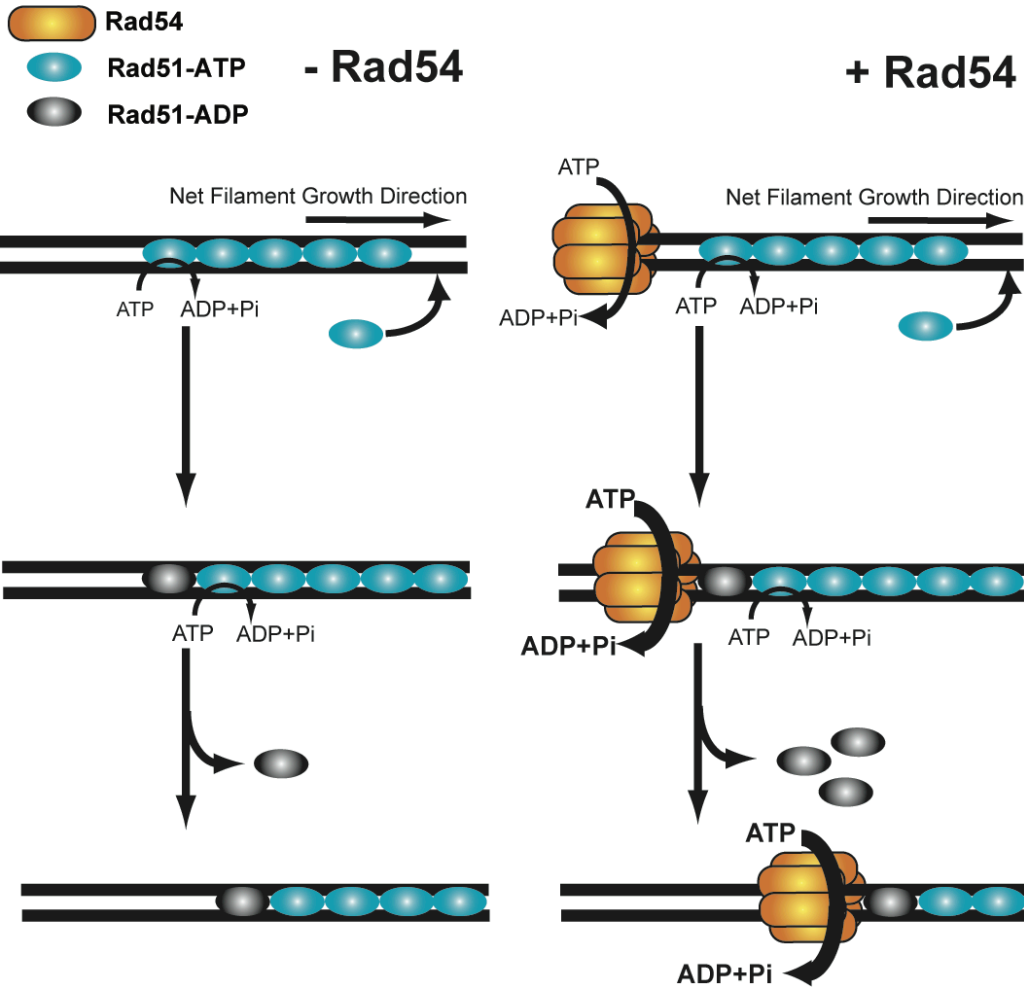
- **Rad54 interacts with Rad51**
(Clever et al. 1997 EMBO J)
- **Rad54 is a dsDNA-specific ATPase**
(Sagemakers et al. 1998 JBC)
- **The Rad54 ATPase is essential for *in vivo* function**
(Clever et al. 1999 Yeast)
- **Rad54 is a Snf2-like remodeling factor**

Hypothesis: Rad54 dissociates Rad51-dsDNA filaments.

Relevance of Rad51-dsDNA complexes:

- **Dead-end complexes due to dsDNA binding by Rad51 (unlike RecA)**
- **Product complex of DNA strand invasion (Rad51 bound to heteroduplex DNA)**

Conclusions from data not shown

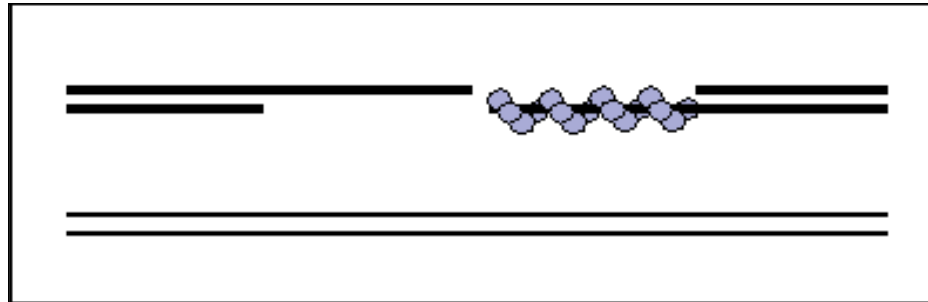


Solinger et al. 2002
Mol. Cell
Kiianitsa et al. 2002
JBC
Kiianitsa et al. 2006
PNAS
Li et al. 2007 NAR

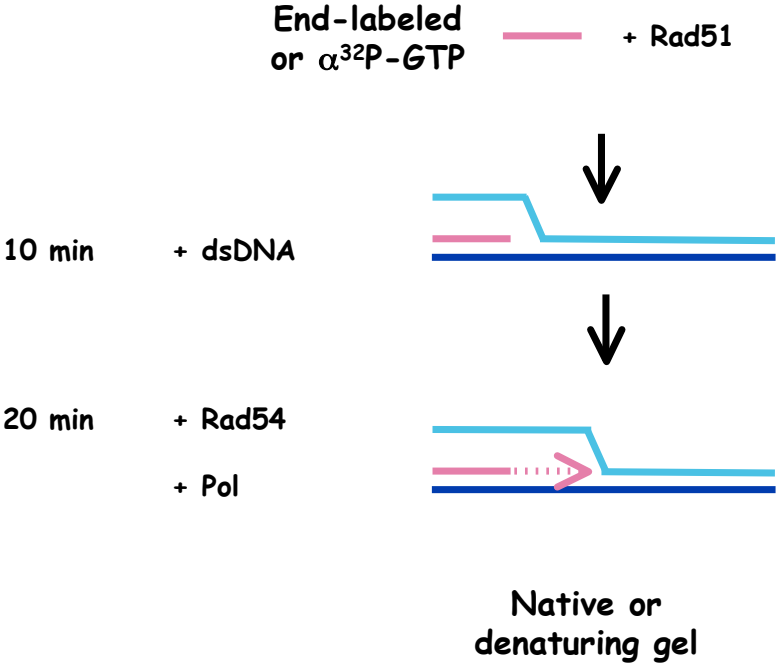


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Working model:
Rad54 turns over the Rad51-dsDNA product complex
to allow access to the 3'-OH end of the invading strand

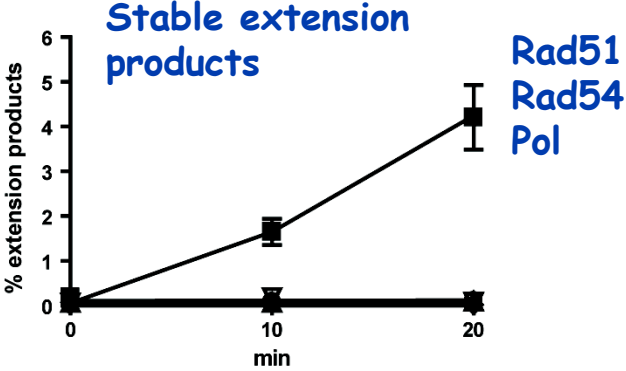
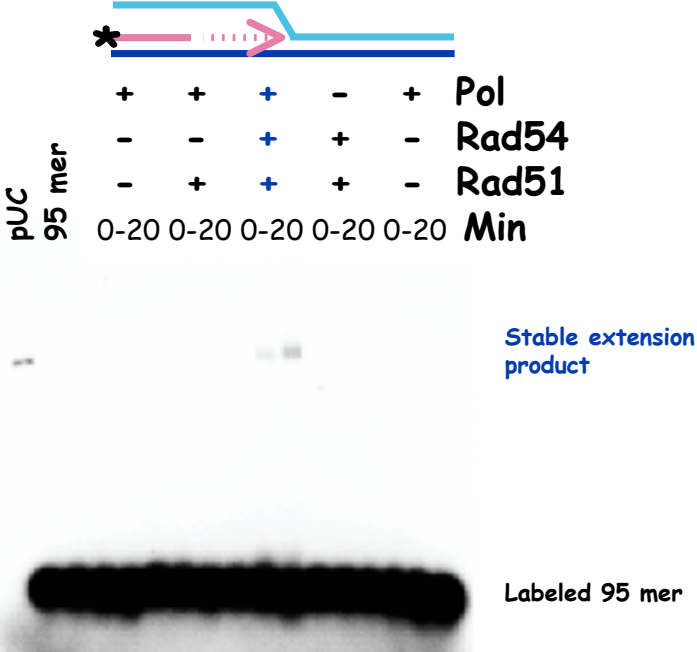


Assay system

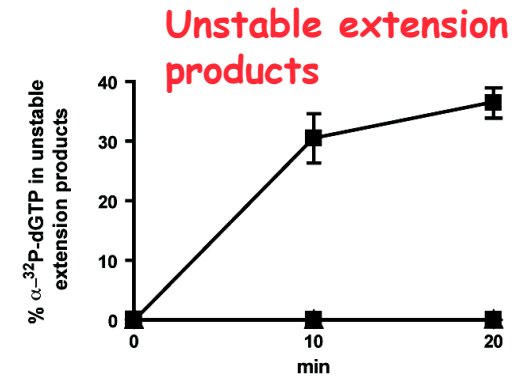
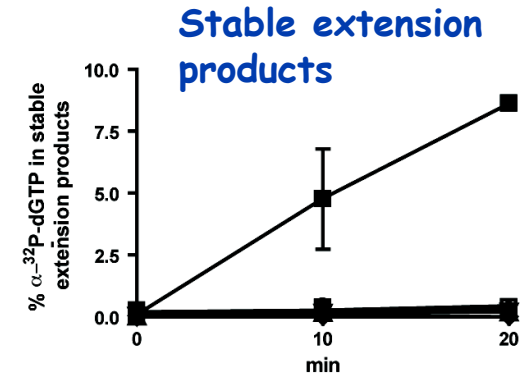
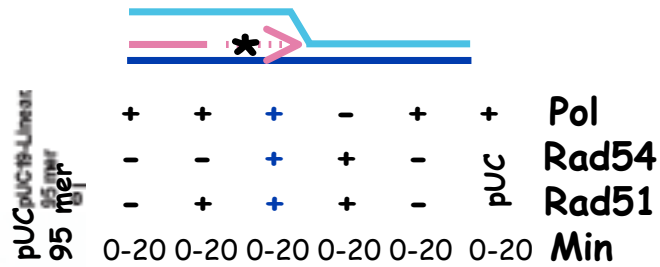


2 μM (nts) 95 mer
pUC19 1:1 molecule
0.67 μM Rad51 (1:3 nts)
72 nM Rad54
25 nM DNA Polymerase (Klenow)

Extension product depends on Rad51, Rad54 and Pol



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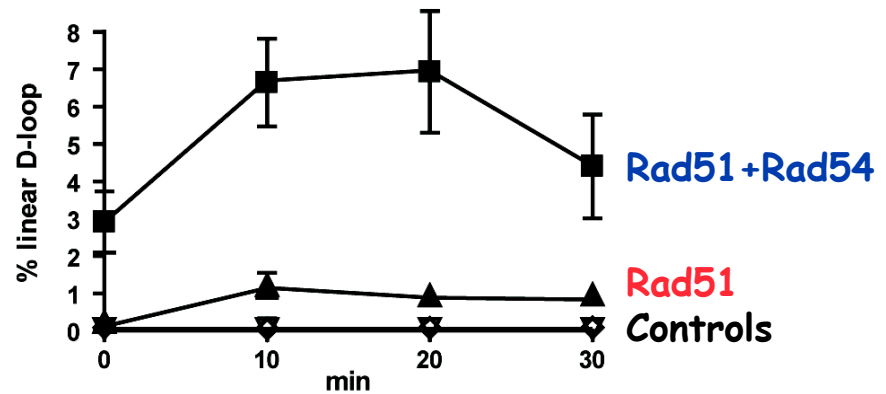
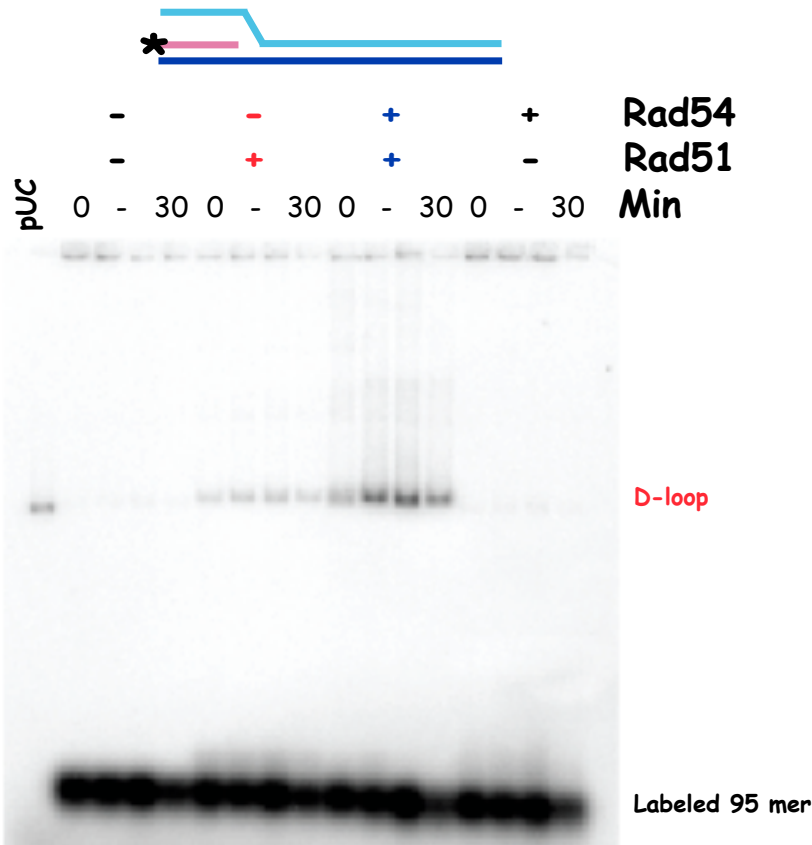


Native gels



Formation of D-loops by Rad51

Analysis of psoralene-crosslinked products



Rad54 stimulates D-loop formation 6-7 fold, but extension by Pol >100 fold.

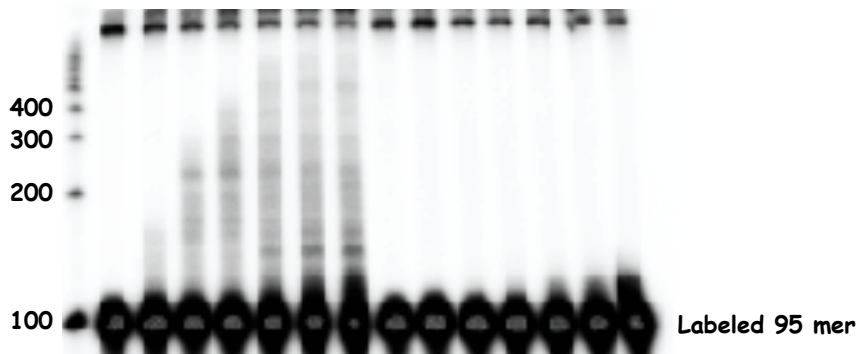
Rad54 is required for extension.

Analysis on denaturing gels



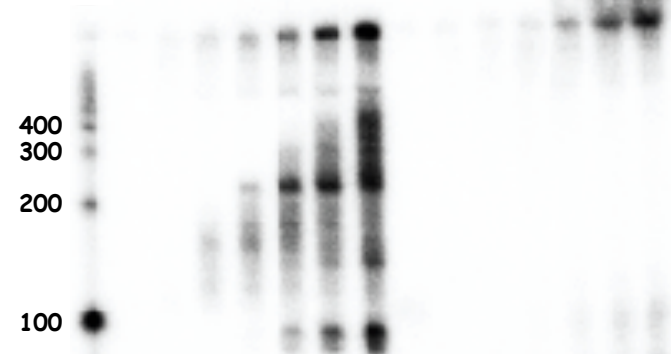
+	+	Pol
+	-	Rad54
+	+	Rad51

0 1 3 6 10 16 20 0 1 3 6 10 16 20 **Min**



+	+	Pol
+	-	Rad54
+	+	Rad51

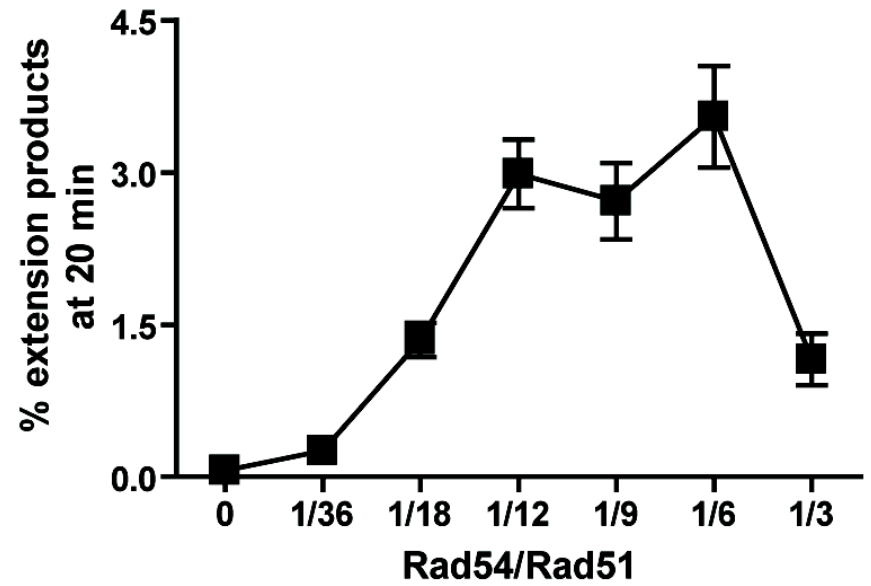
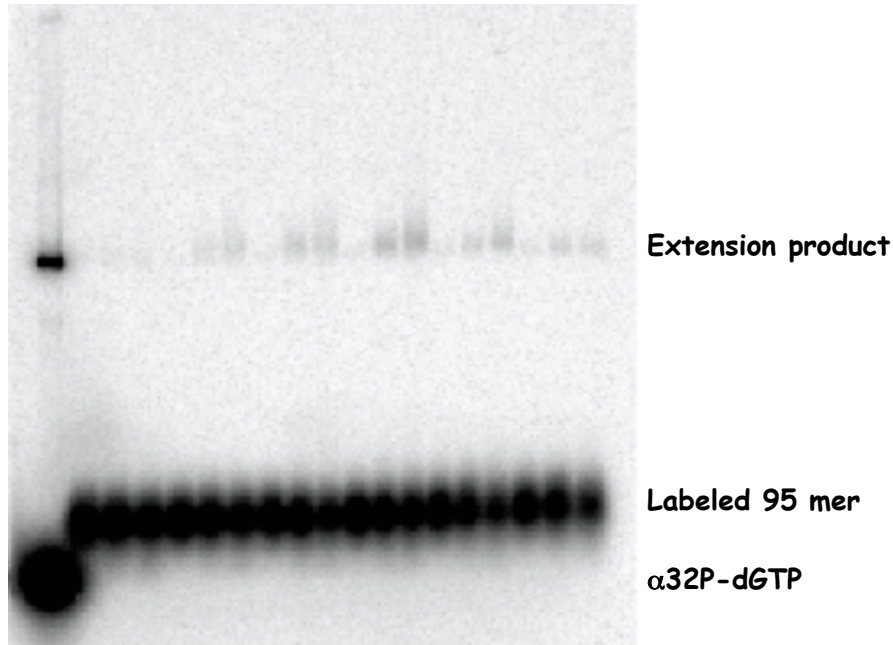
0 1 3 6 10 16 20 0 1 3 6 10 16 20 **Min**



Extension is optimal at sub-stoichiometric Rad54:Rad51 ratio



pUC	-	1/36	1/18	1/12	1/9	1/3	Rad54/Rad51
	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	Min

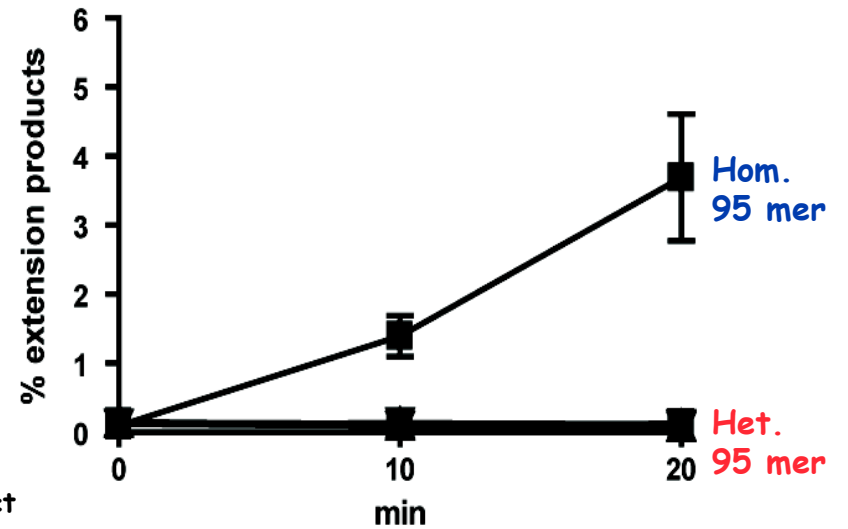
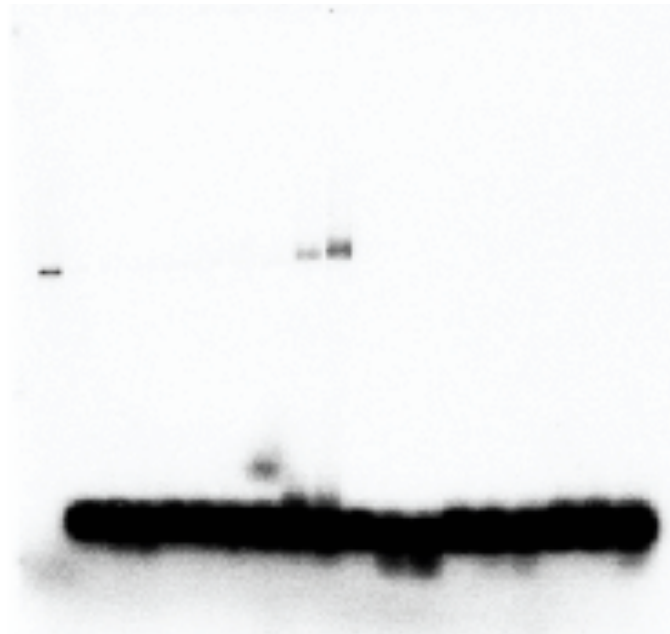


Optimal Rad51 (1/3 nts)

Extension is homology dependent



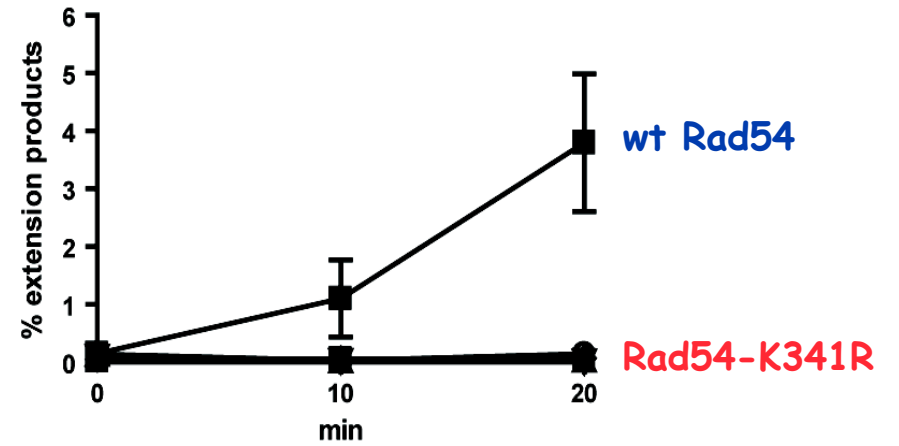
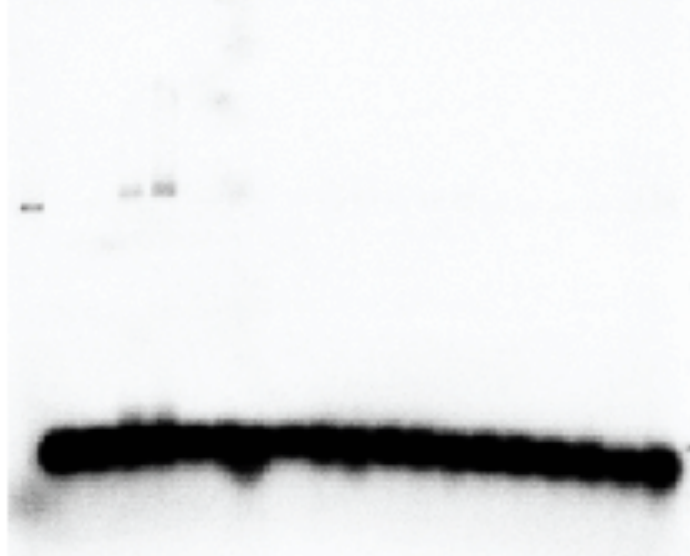
pUC	Hom. 95 mer			Het. 95 mer			Min
	+	+	+	+	+	+	
	-	-	+	-	-	+	Pol
	-	+	+	-	+	+	Rad54
	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	0-20	Rad51



Extension requires Rad54 ATPase activity



pUC 95 mer	+	+	+	+	-	+	Pol
wt	-	-	-	KR	KR	KR	Rad54
+	-	+	+	+	+	-	Rad51
0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	0 - 20	Min



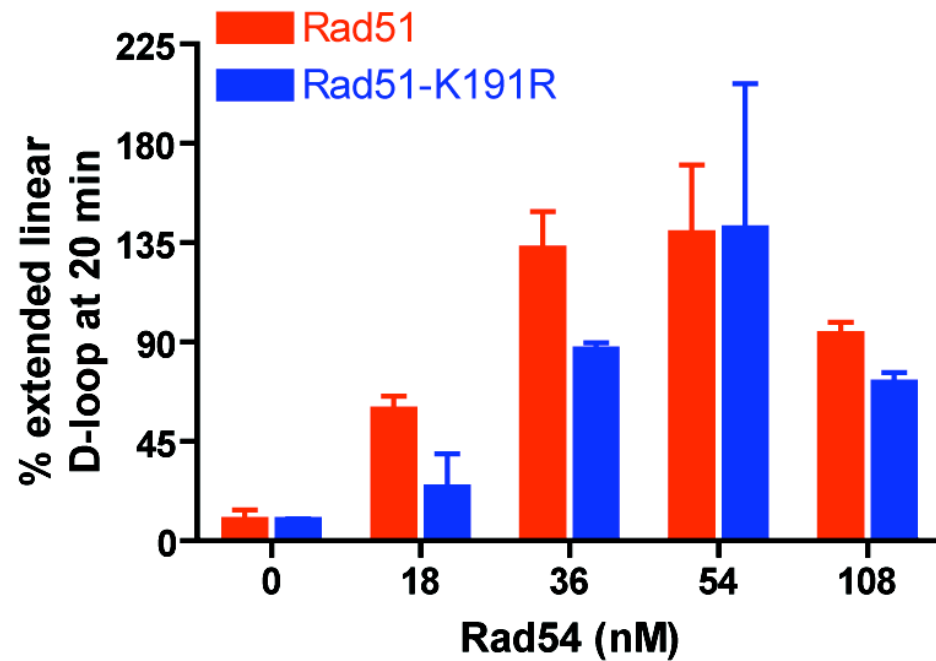
Rad51-K191R requires more Rad54 for extension

Rad51-K191R forms very stable dsDNA complexes that are less well dissociated by Rad54

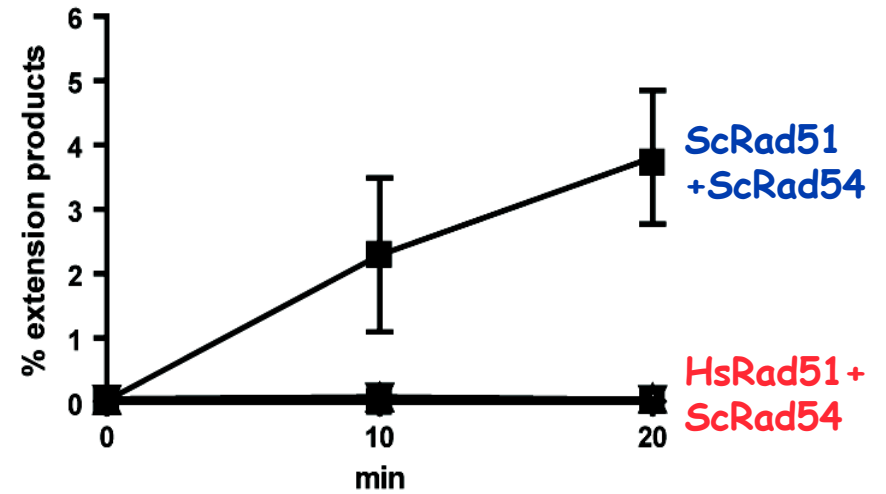
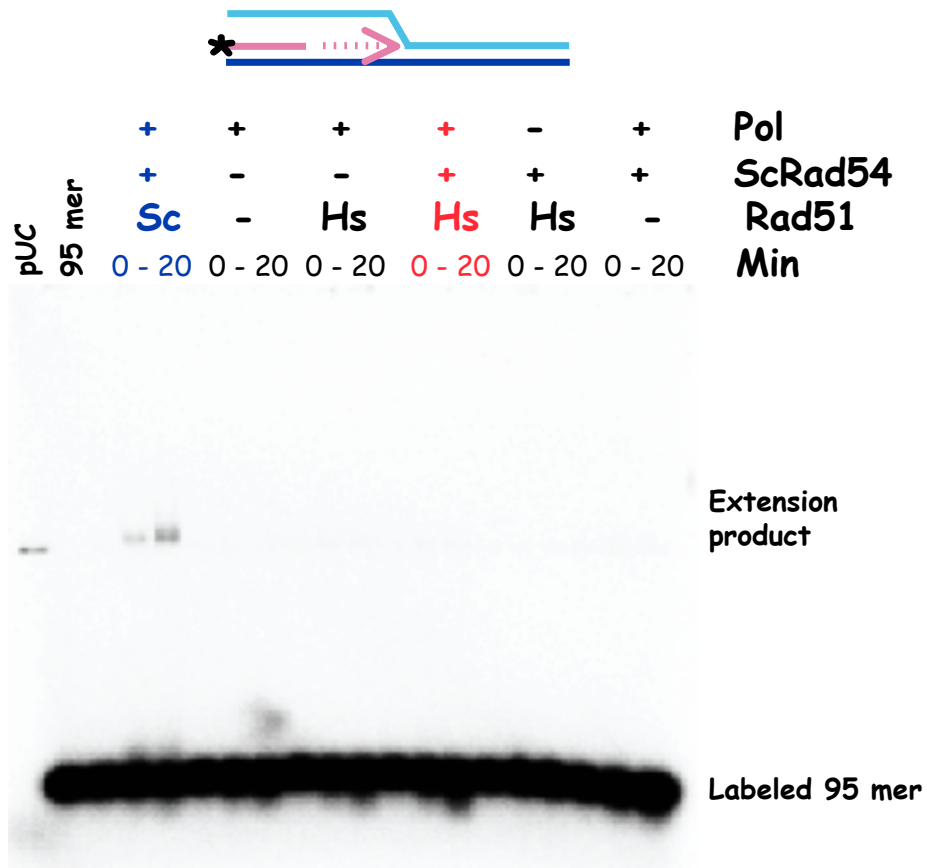
(Li et al. 2007 NAR)

Rad54 overexpression suppresses *rad51-K191R* in vivo

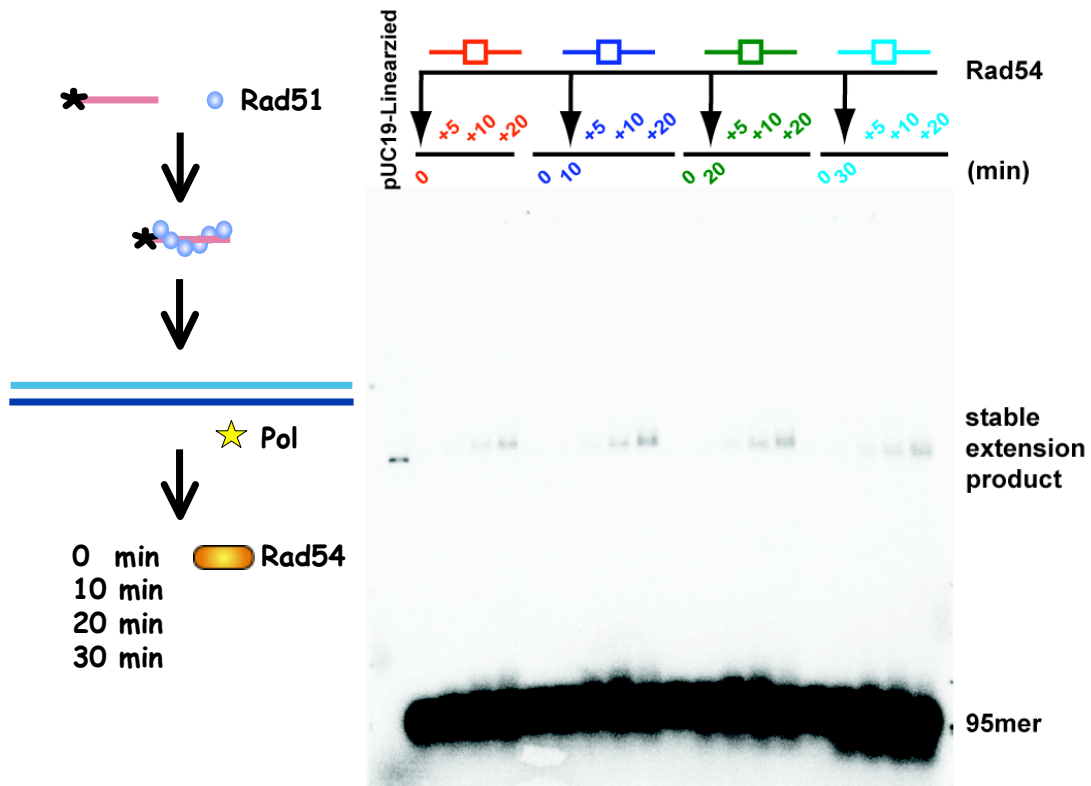
(Morgan et al. 2002 MCB)



Extension requires species-specific protein interactions

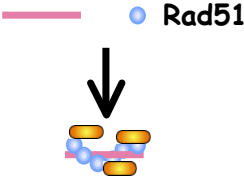


Time point of Rad54 addition determines extension



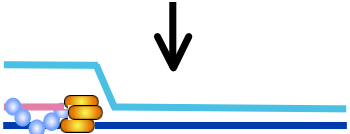
Model: Rad54 modulates access to the invading 3'-OH end

Filament formation



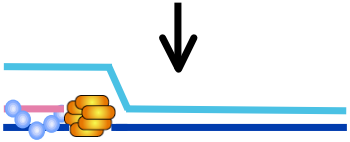
Rad54 stabilizes Rad51 filament

DNA strand invasion



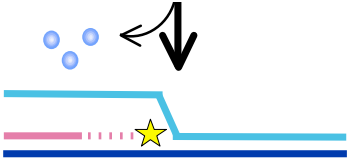
Rad54 is targeted to pairing site

Rad51 product release mediated by Rad54



Rad54

DNA repair synthesis stabilizes D-loop

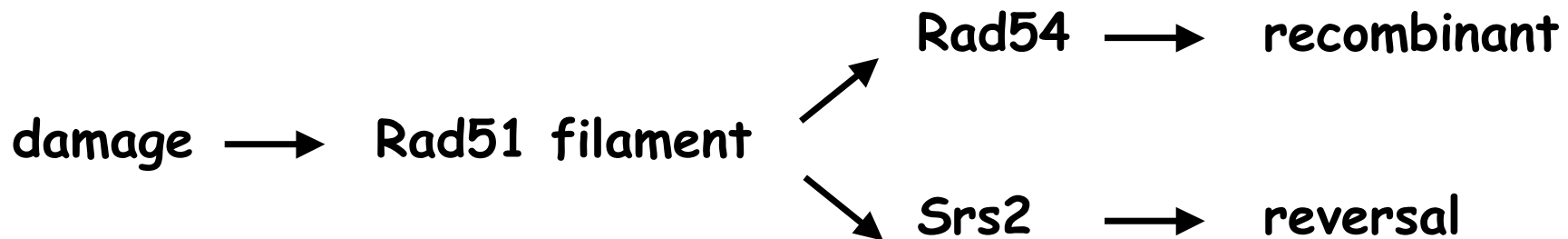


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Does this make sense *in vivo* ?

YES !

Genetics: Pathway analysis + Rad54 overexpression suppresses *rad51-K191R* (Symington).
Rad54 overexpression shortens conversion tracts, *rad54-KR* has longer conversion tracts (Nickoloff)
rad54 srs2 are synthetically lethal, suppressed by *rad51, rad52, rad55, rad57* (Klein, Schild)

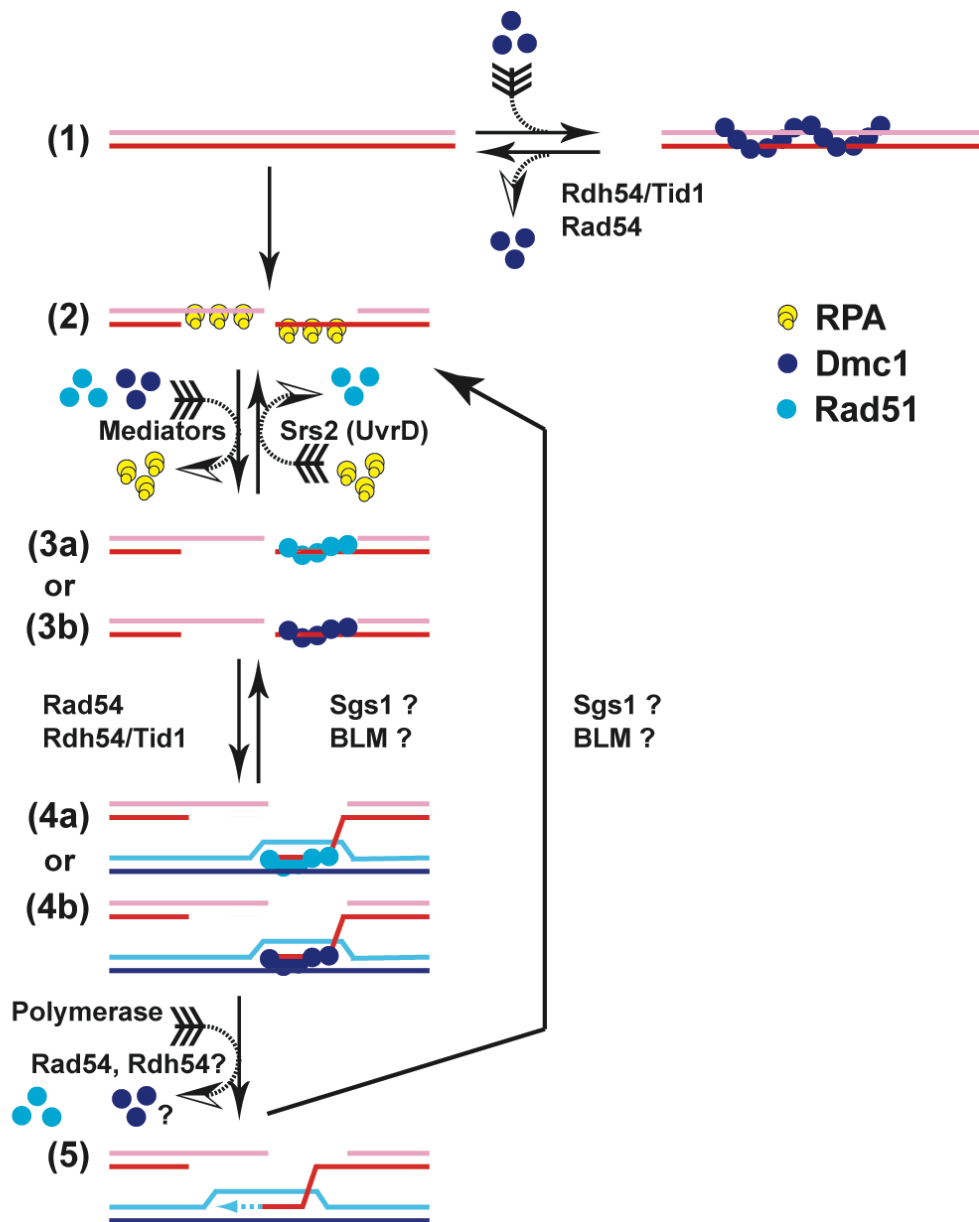


In vivo: ChIP data (Haber, Peterson/Sung)

Cytology: Formation of Rad51 foci is independent of Rad54 in yeast, chick (DT40), and mouse (ES cells).
Rad51 foci have longer half life in *rad54*.
(Bishop, Kanaar, Shinohara, Takeda)

Summary

- Through its interaction with the Rad51 DNA strand exchange protein Rad54 protein enhances homologous recombination at various stages during recombination *in vitro*.
- Rad54 dissociates the Rad51-dsDNA filament, which represents the product complex of DNA strand exchange.
- Rad54 modulates the access to the 3'-end of the invading strand to make stable D-loops by DNA polymerase extension.
- Rad54 (and other Snf2-related proteins) are target-specific motor proteins that remodel protein-dsDNA complexes.



The recombination pathway:

Metastable, reversible intermediates

Motor proteins (helicases, translocases) toggle between intermediates

(Symington & Heyer 2006 *Genes Dev*)

