

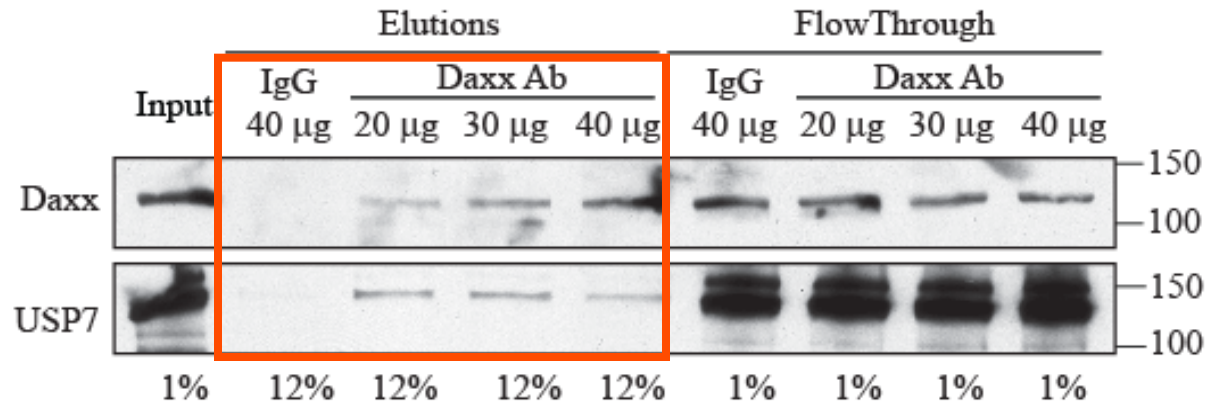
- Цитотоксическая химиотерапия рака молочной железы

- Деубиквитиназа USP7 и резистентность к антимитотической химиотерапии

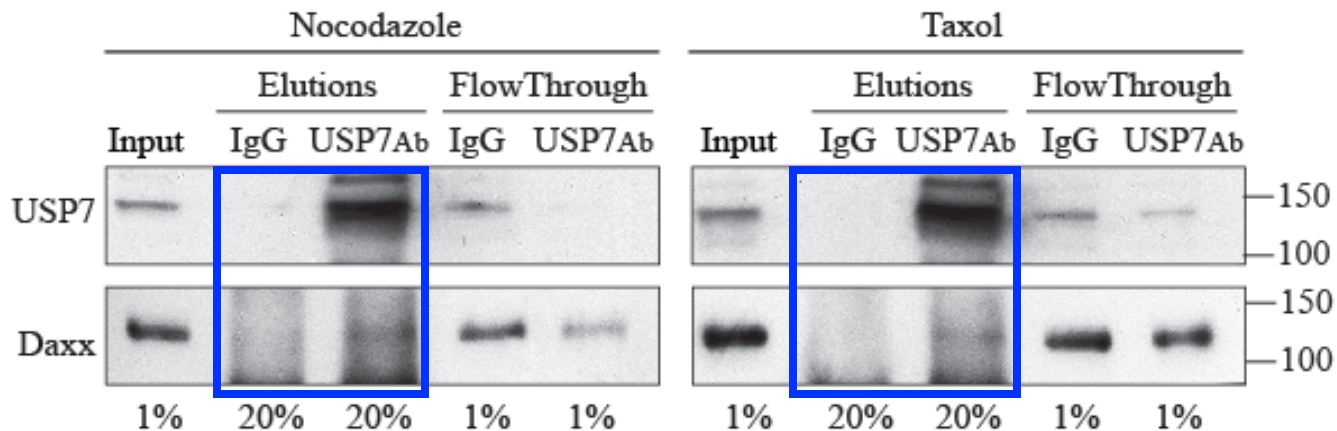
- Новые подходы в преодолении резистентности

# Validation of Daxx-USP7 Interaction

## Daxx IP:

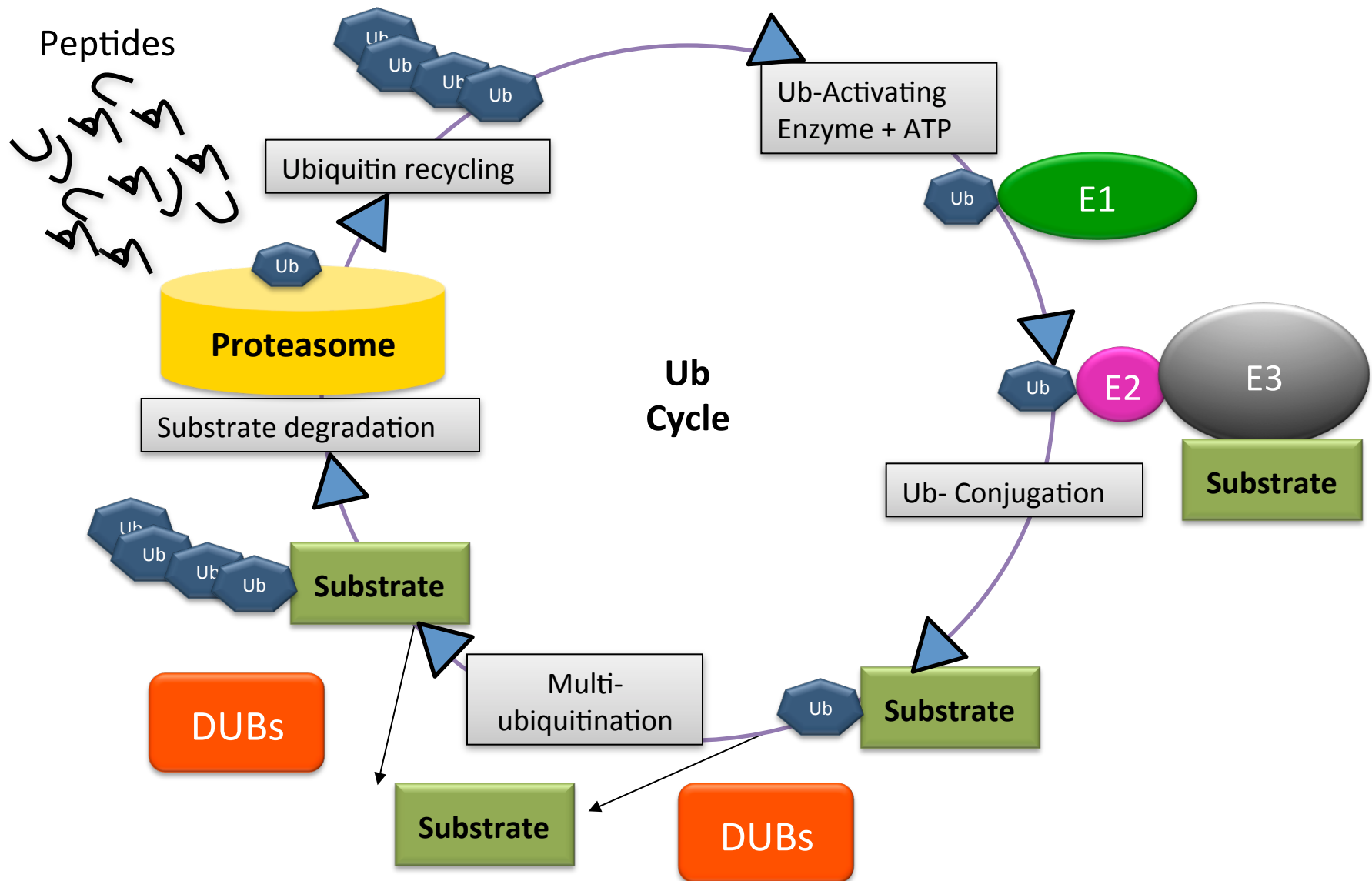


## USP7 IP:



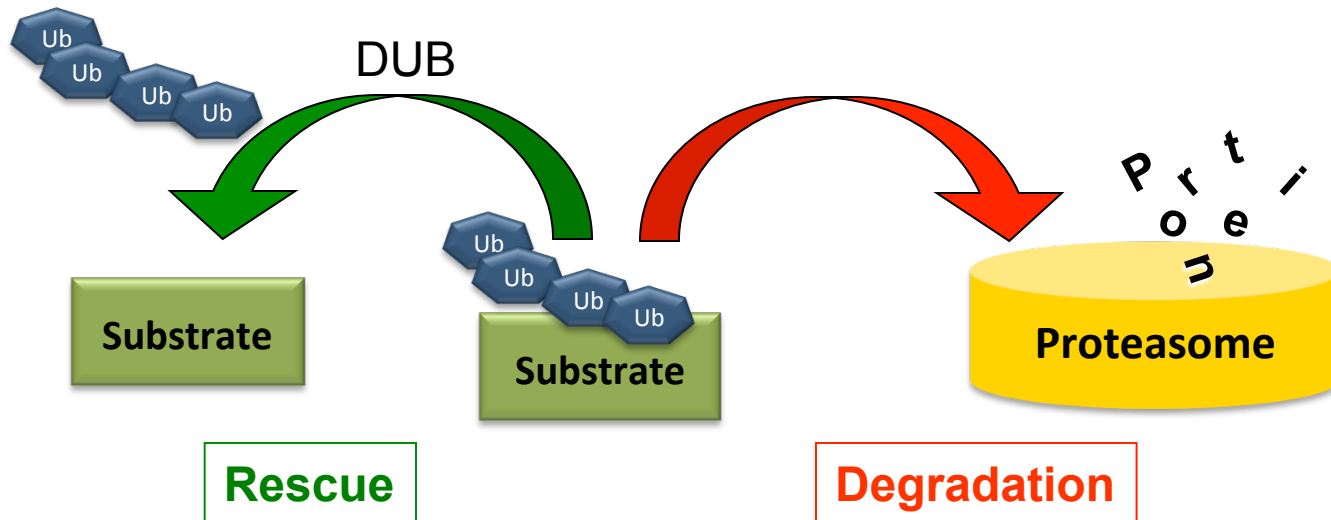
Daxx and USP7 interact in mitosis

# Ubiquitin dependent degradation pathway



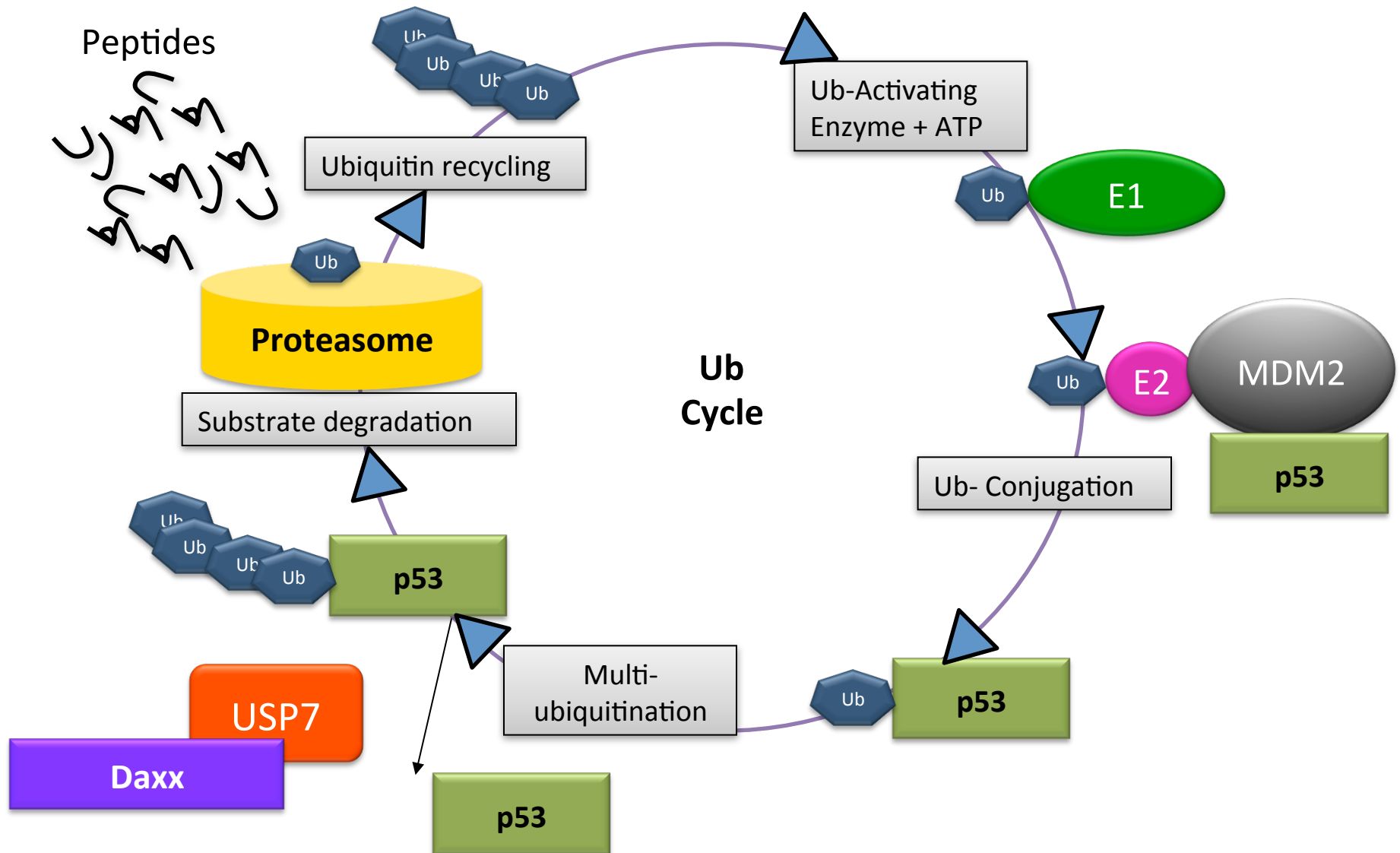
# Daxx interacts with USP7 in mitosis

- **Ubiquitin-Specific-Processing Protease 7** ( or USP7) is a de-ubiquitylating enzyme or DUB

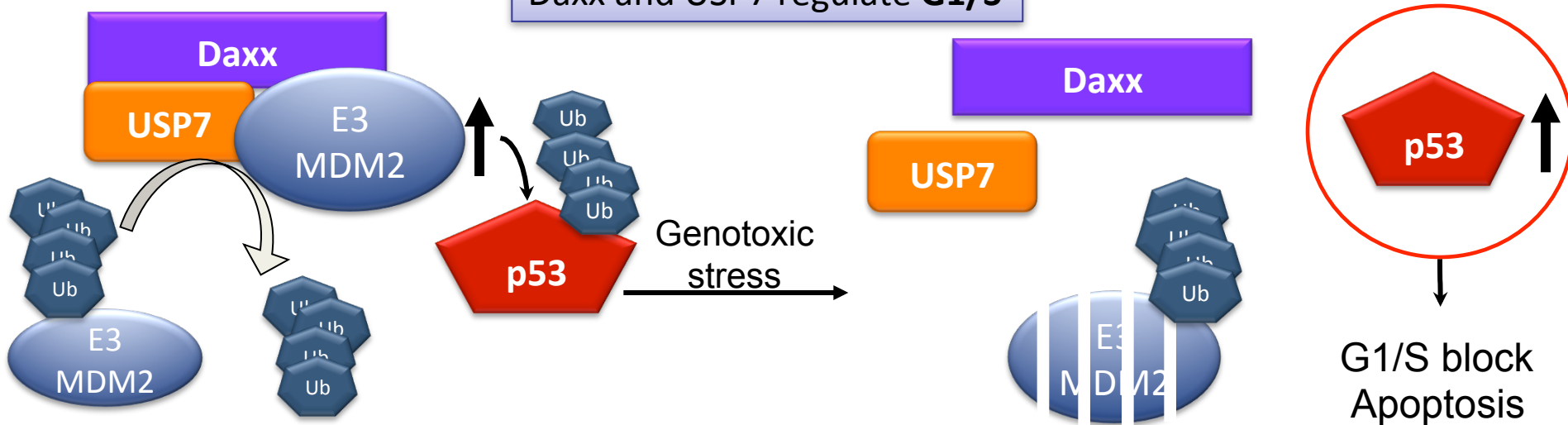


- Its activity leads to stabilization of substrate proteins
- Substrates involved in apoptosis, epigenetic maintenance, DNA stress response
- p53 is one of USP7 substrates

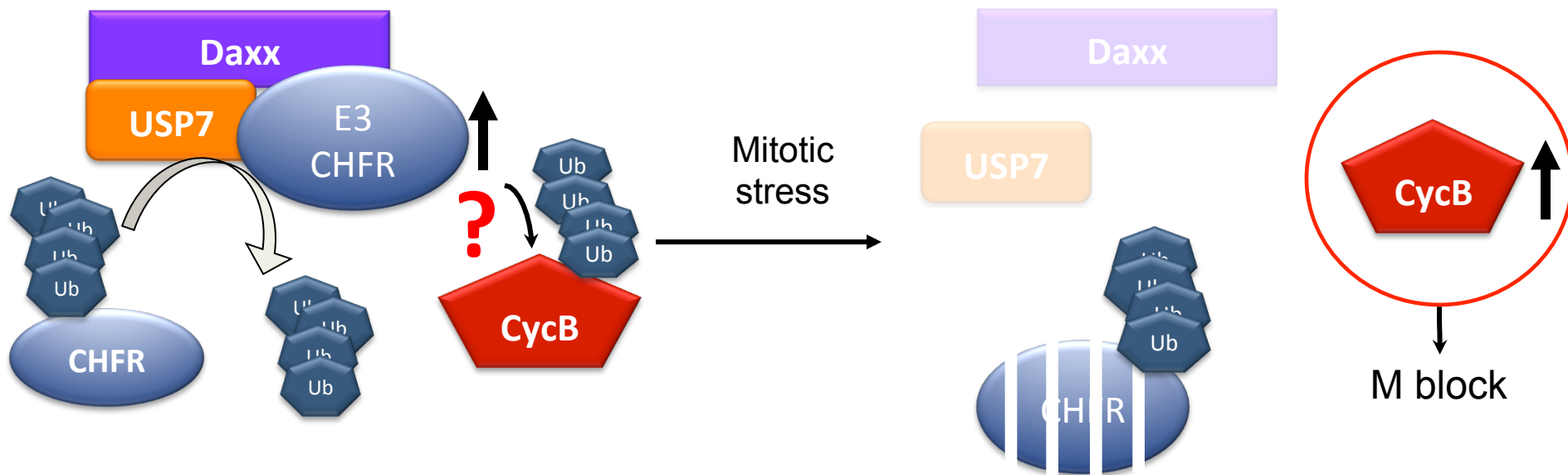
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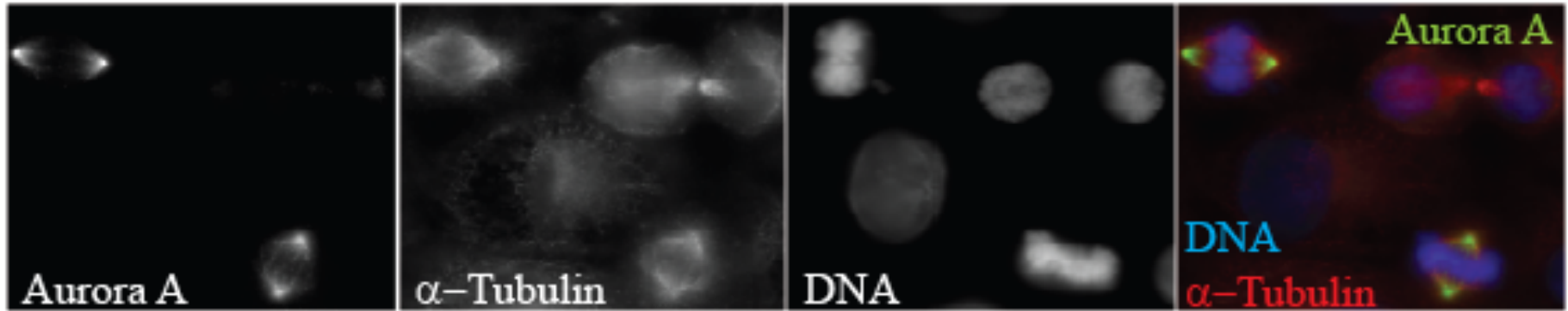
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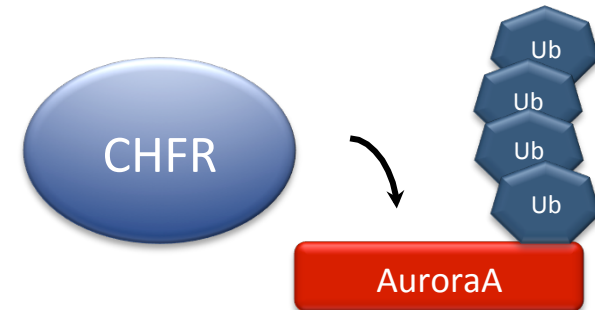
Daxx and USP7 regulate G2/M



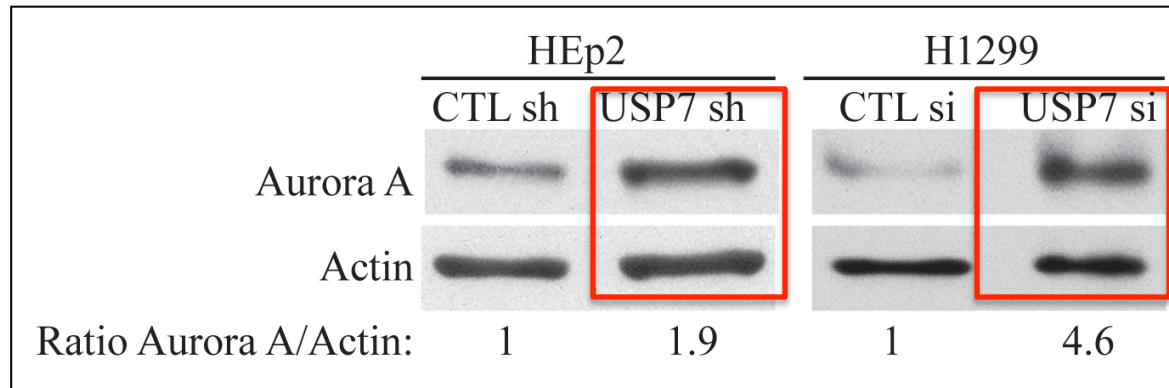
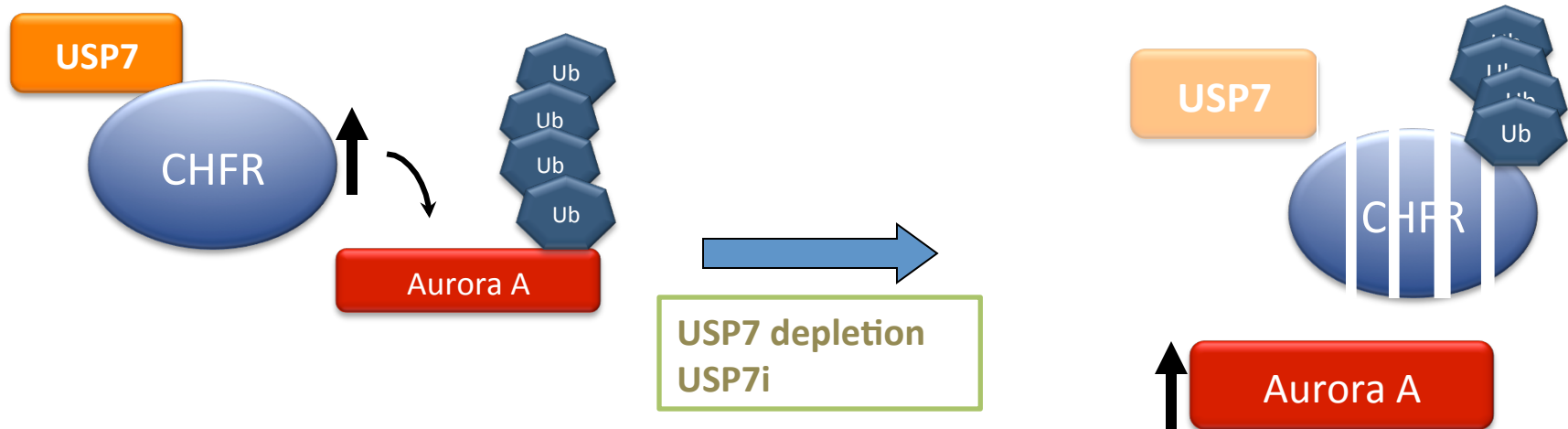
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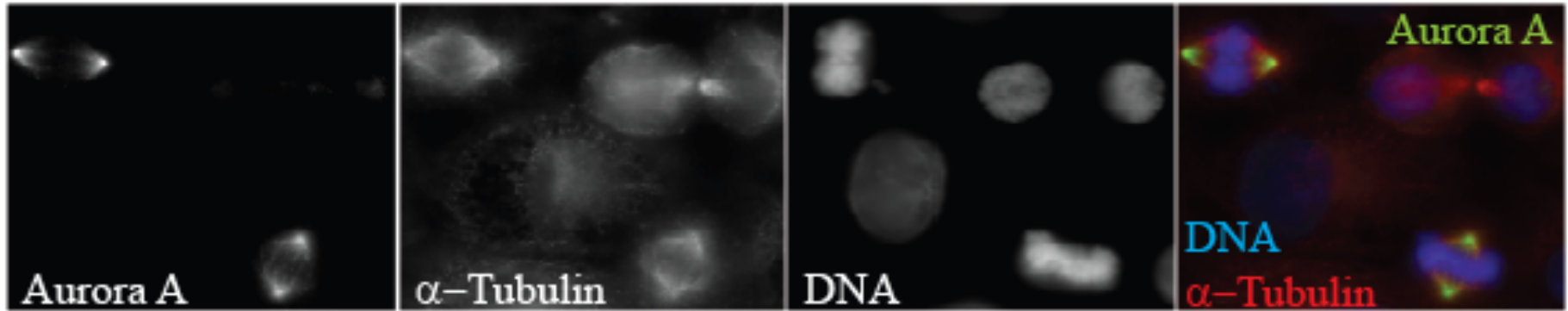
# Does USP7 affect Aurora A?



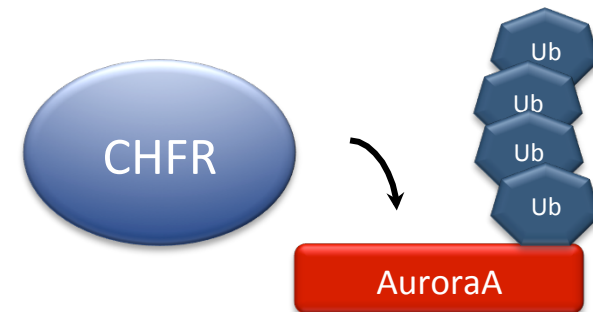
USP7 depleted cells stabilize checkpoint protein Aurora A



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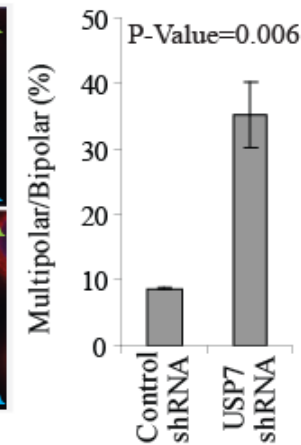
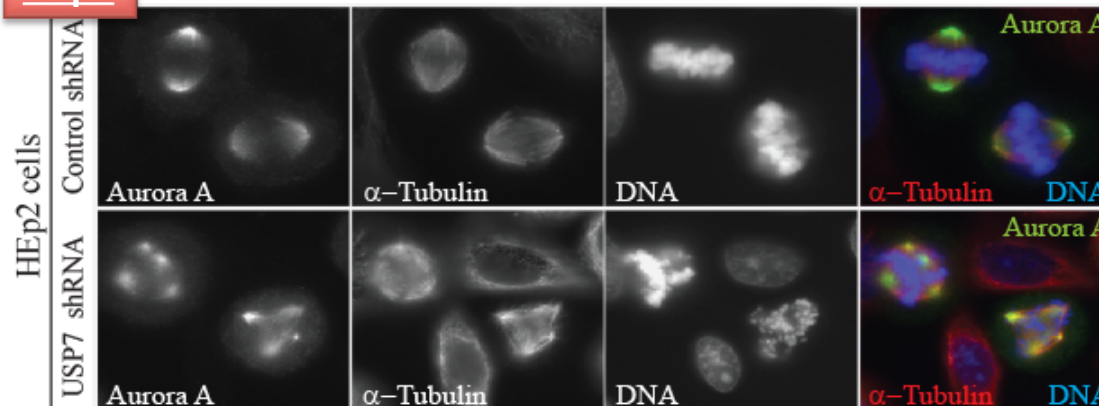
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# Do USP7 depleted cells accumulate multipolar spindles?

Immunofluorescence staining with polar Aurora A kinase and  $\alpha$ -tubulin

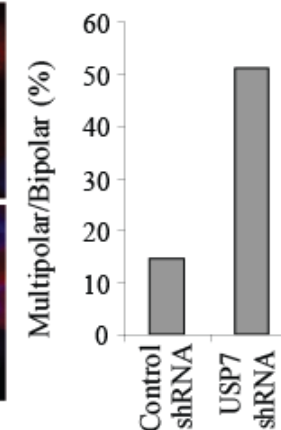
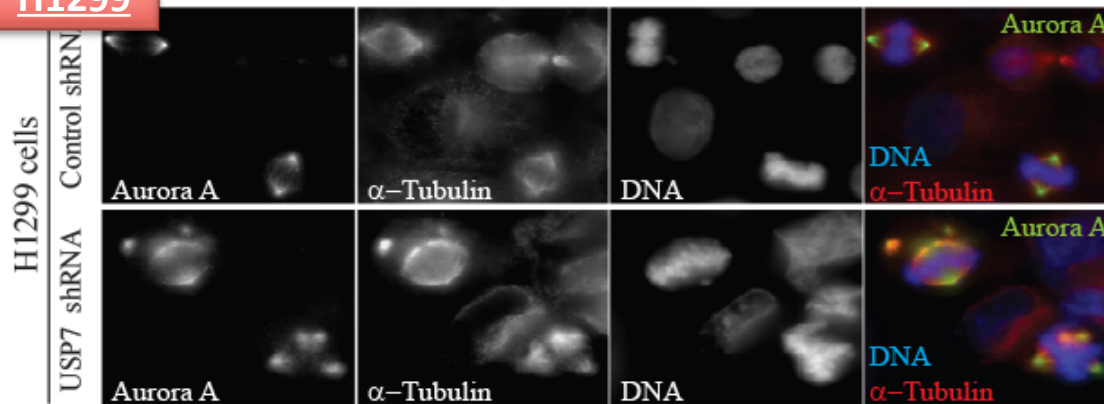
**HEp2**



Multipolar events over the total number of mitosis

100+ mitosis *per* experiment cunted

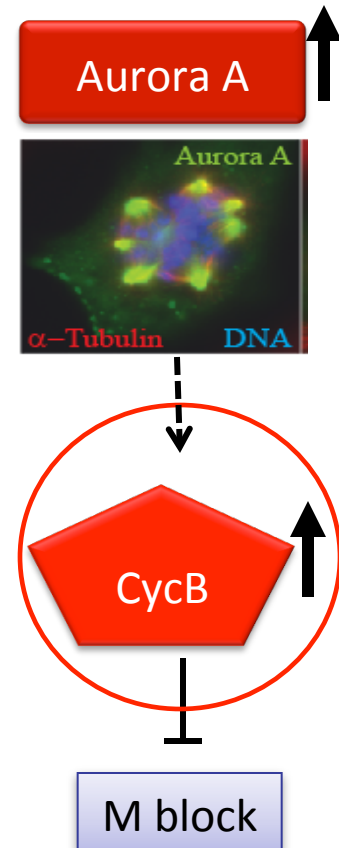
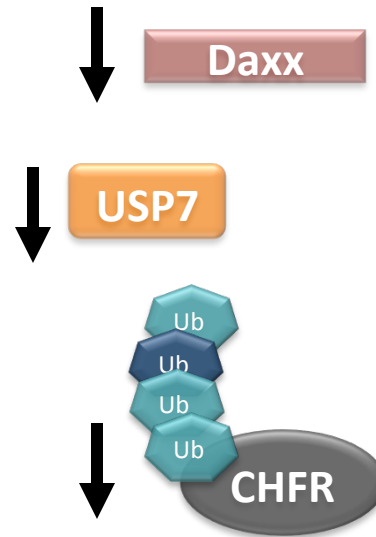
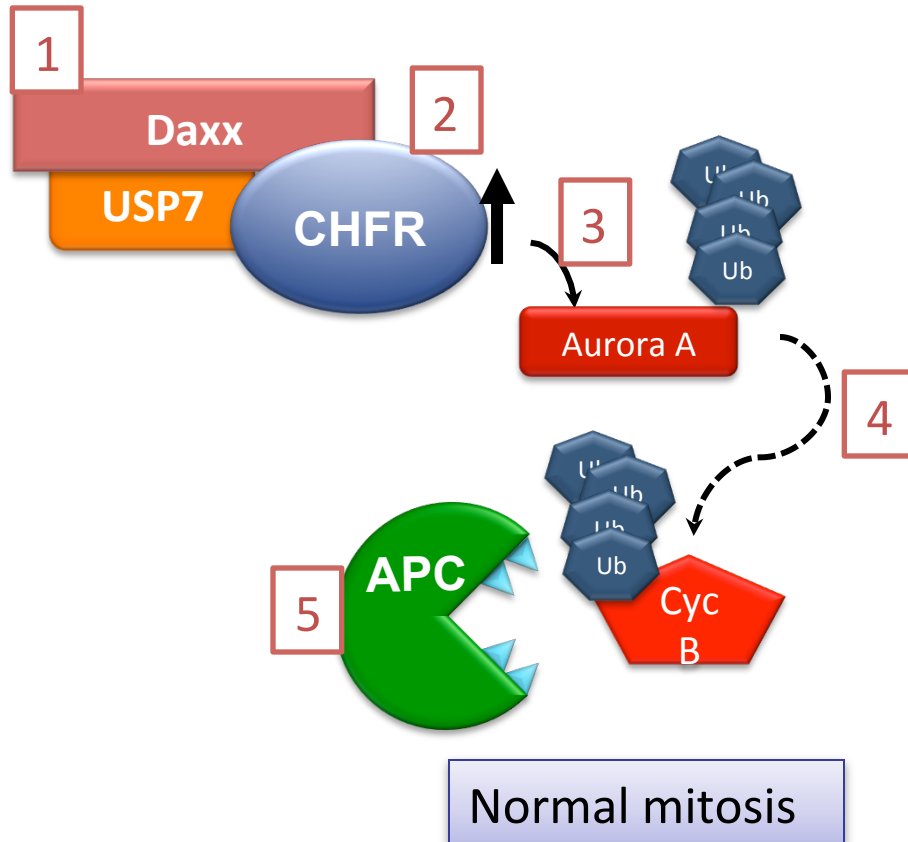
**H1299**



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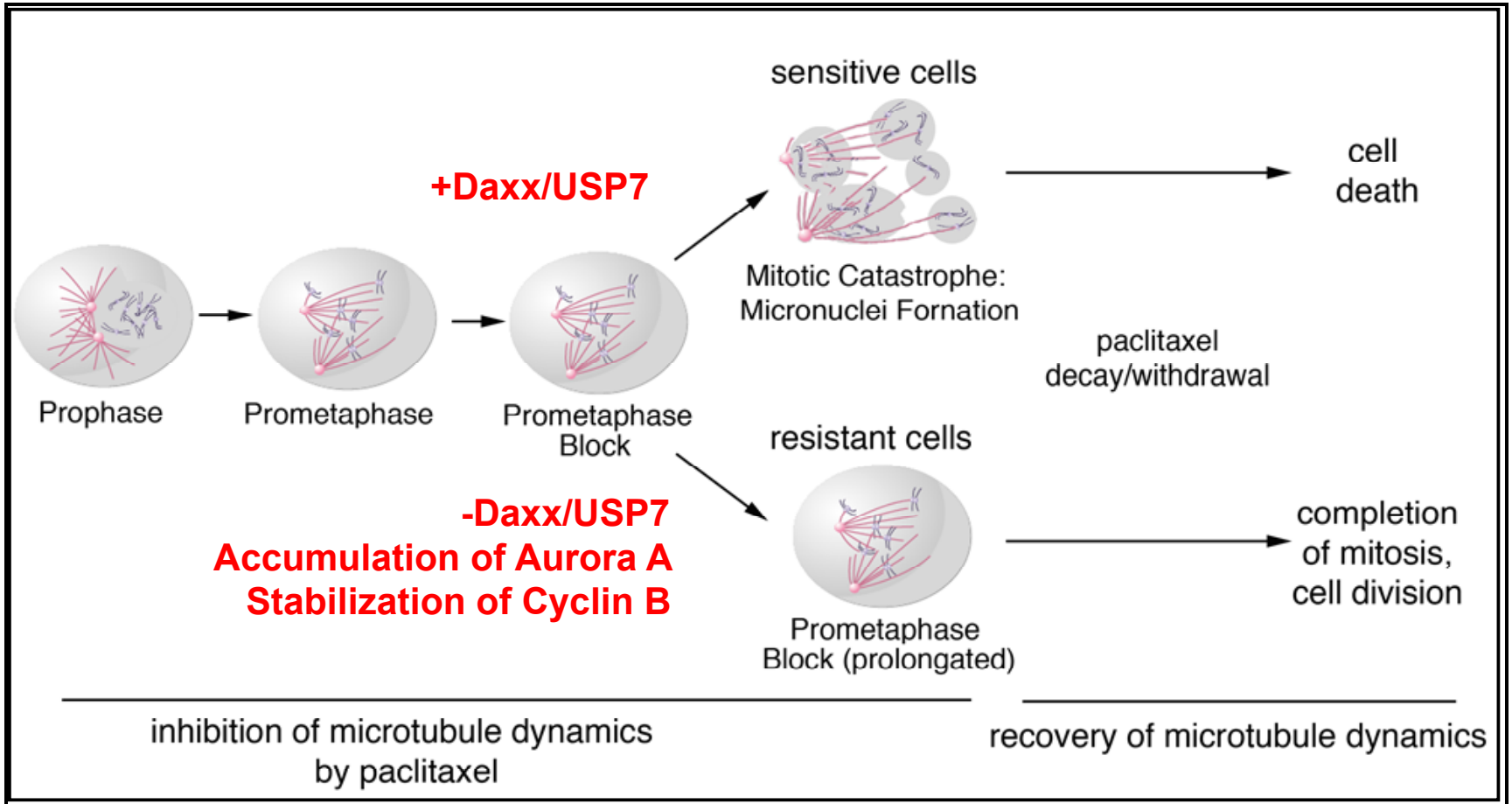
# How Daxx regulates mitosis?

1. By interacting and activating USP7
2. USP7 stabilizes E3 ligase CHFR
3. CHFR controls levels of Aurora A
4. Aurora A ensures timely degradation of cyclin B
5. Cyclin B is degraded by APC

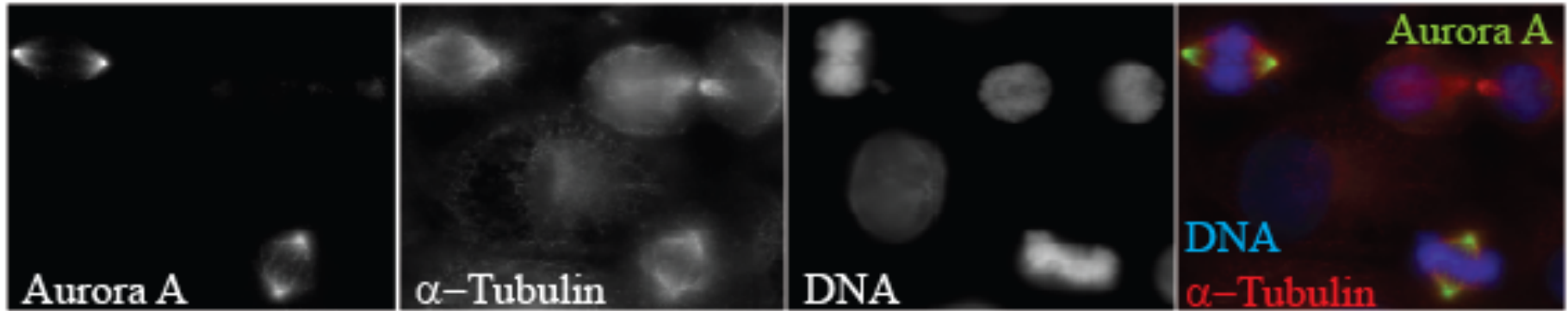


# Working model

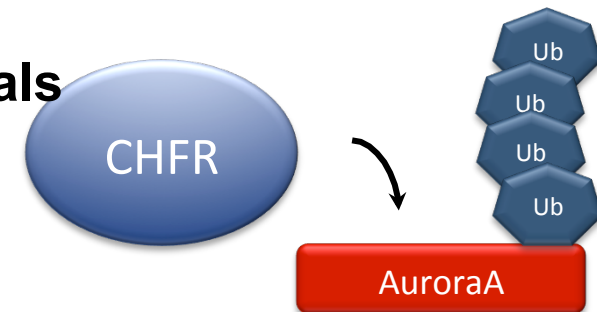
Loss of Daxx/USP7 induces Taxanes resistance by regulating mitotic checkpoint proteins



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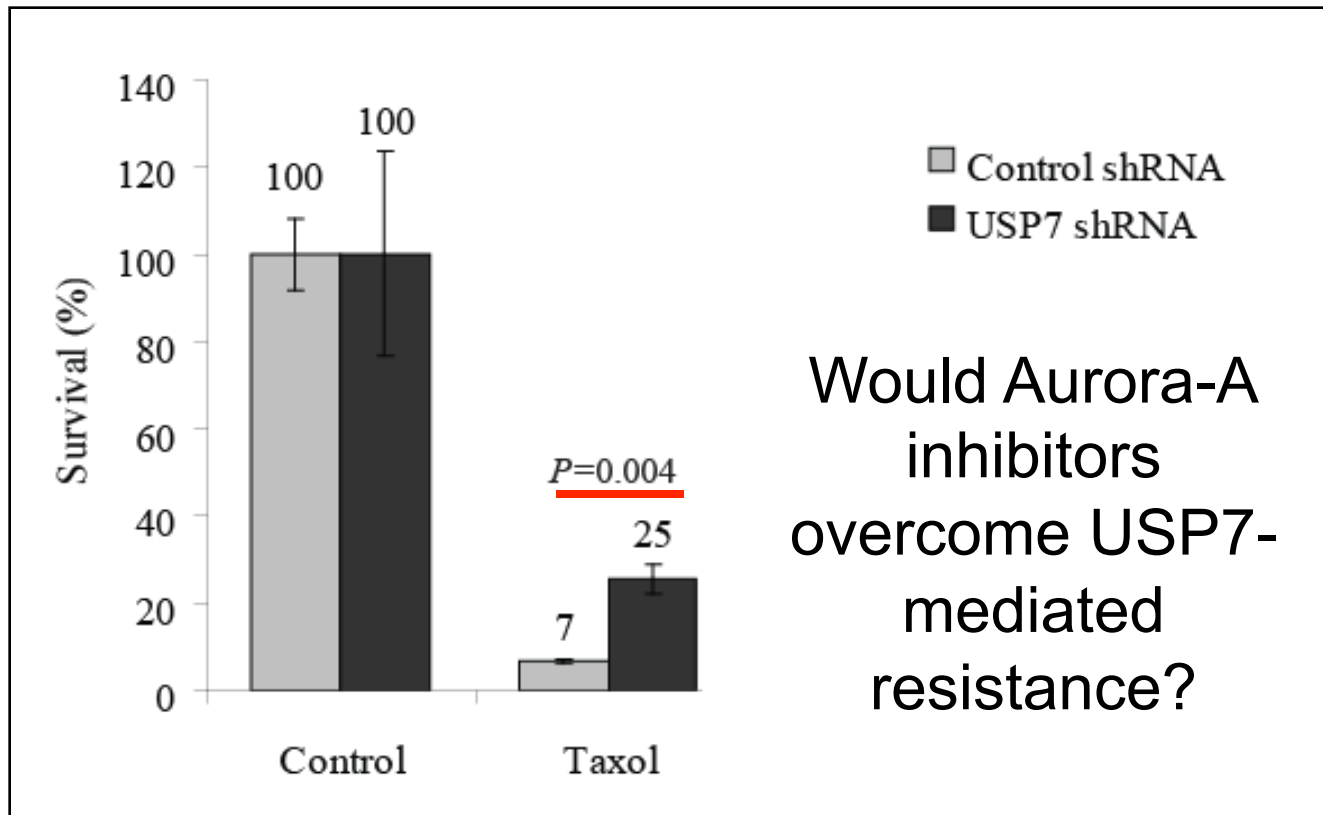


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# Does USP7 regulate response to taxanes?

Colony formation assay



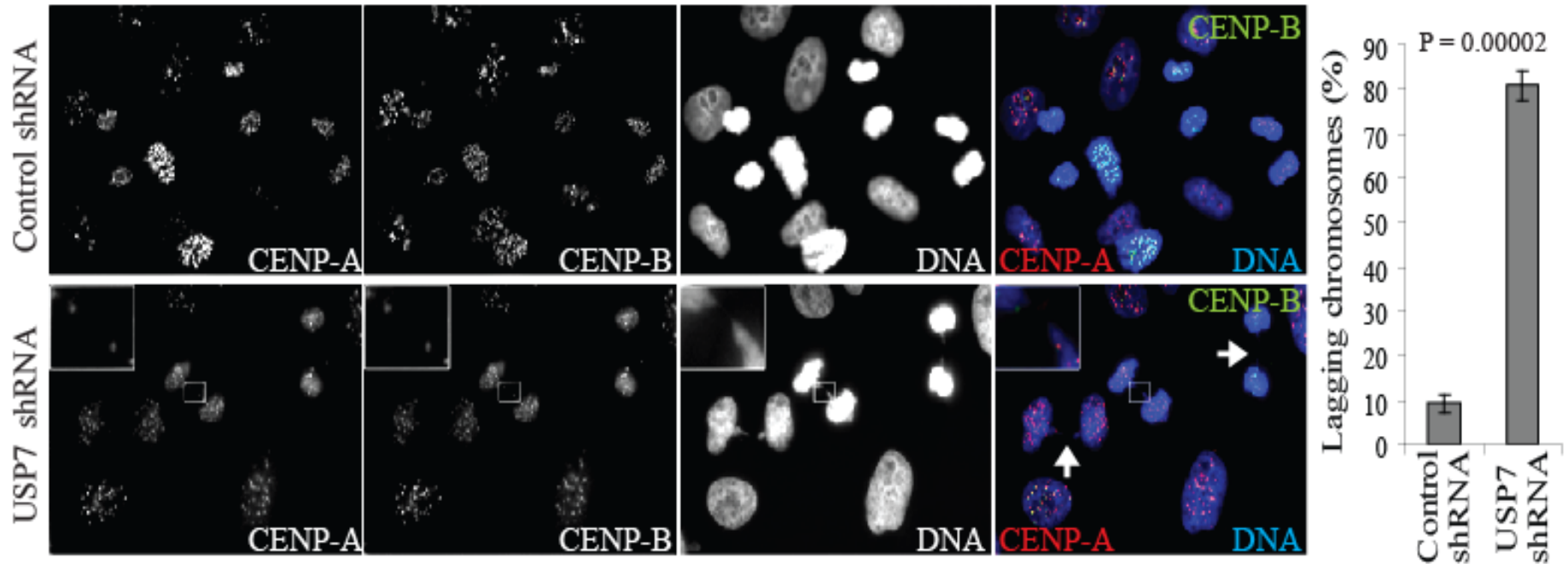
MLN8054: Selective small molecule inhibitor of Aurora-A

1. USP7 Silencing Increases Cellular Resistance to Taxol
2. Aurora-A inhibitor combined with Taxol **partially** rescues USP7-mediated resistance

# Analysis of Anaphases

Immunofluorescence staining of HEp2 CTL shRNA or USP7 shRNA with centromeric markers CENP-A and CENP-B

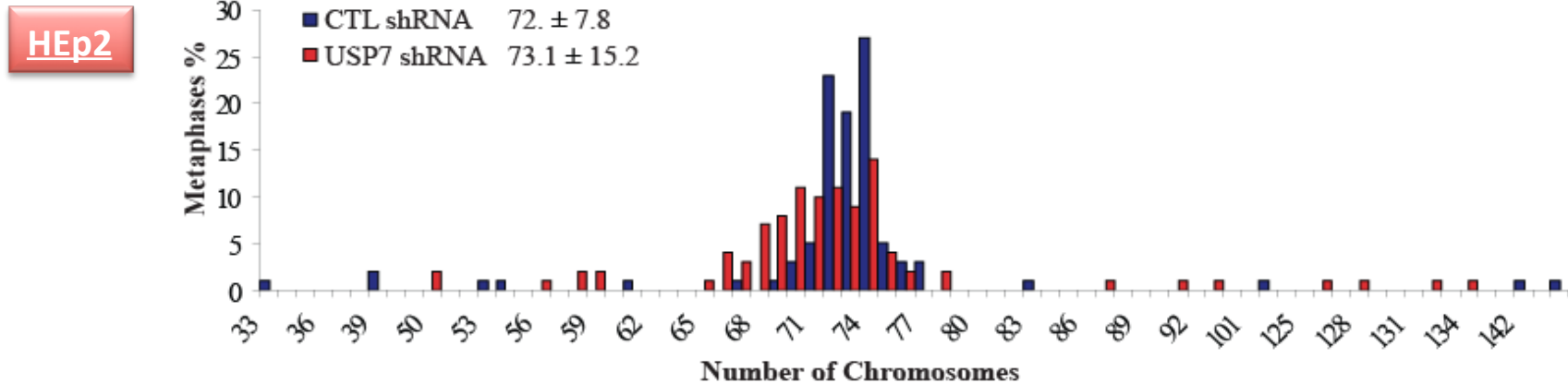
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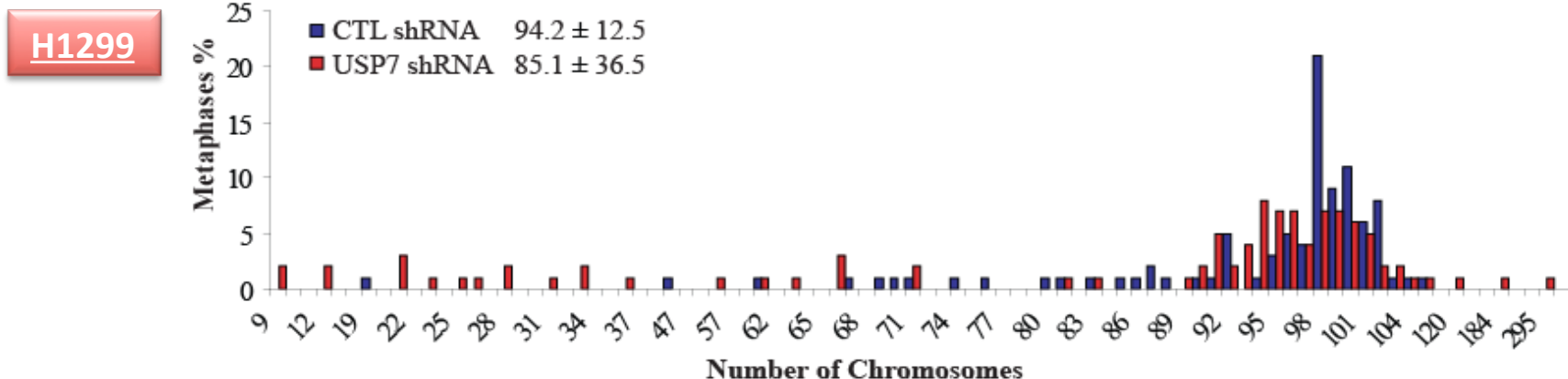
- USP7 depleted cells accumulate lagging chromosomes in anaphases
- The increase in number of lagging chromosomes explains the high MN scores documented upon USP7 depletion

# Karyotype in USP7-depleted cells

A



B

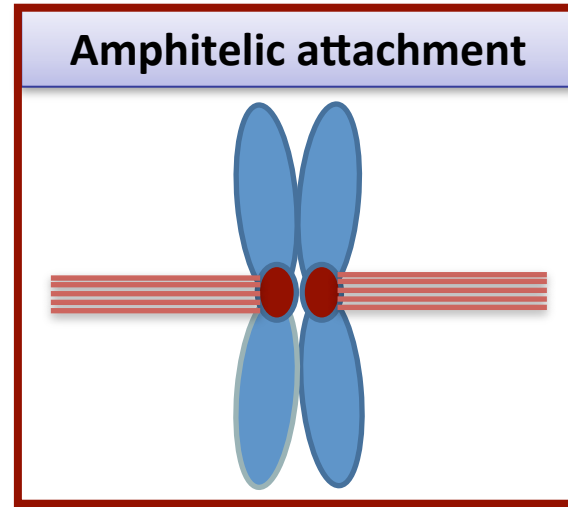


USP7 depletion increases aneuploidy:

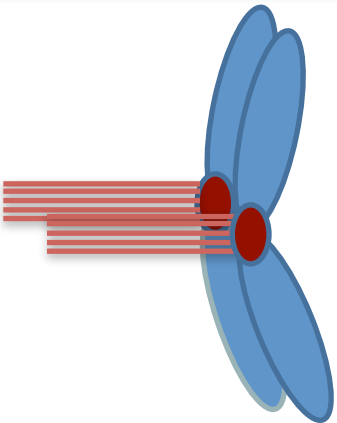
- In cancer cells (HEp2 and H1299)
- Non-tumorigenic breast epithelial cells MCF-10A



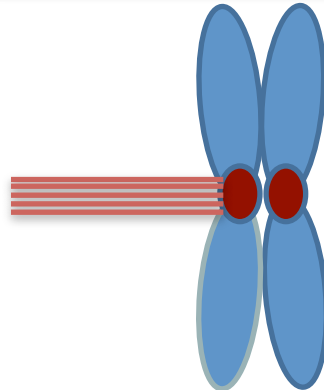
# Genomic Instability Arises from the Inability to Correct Errors



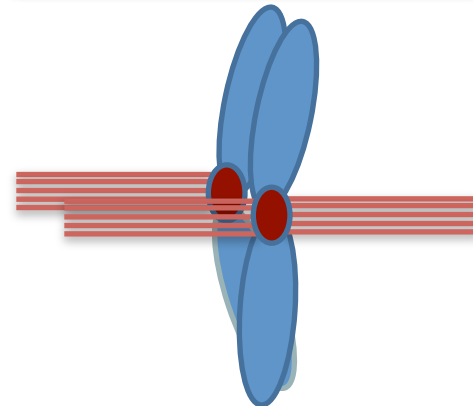
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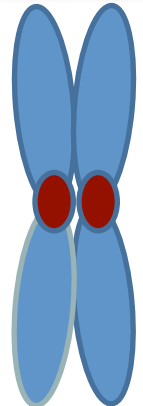
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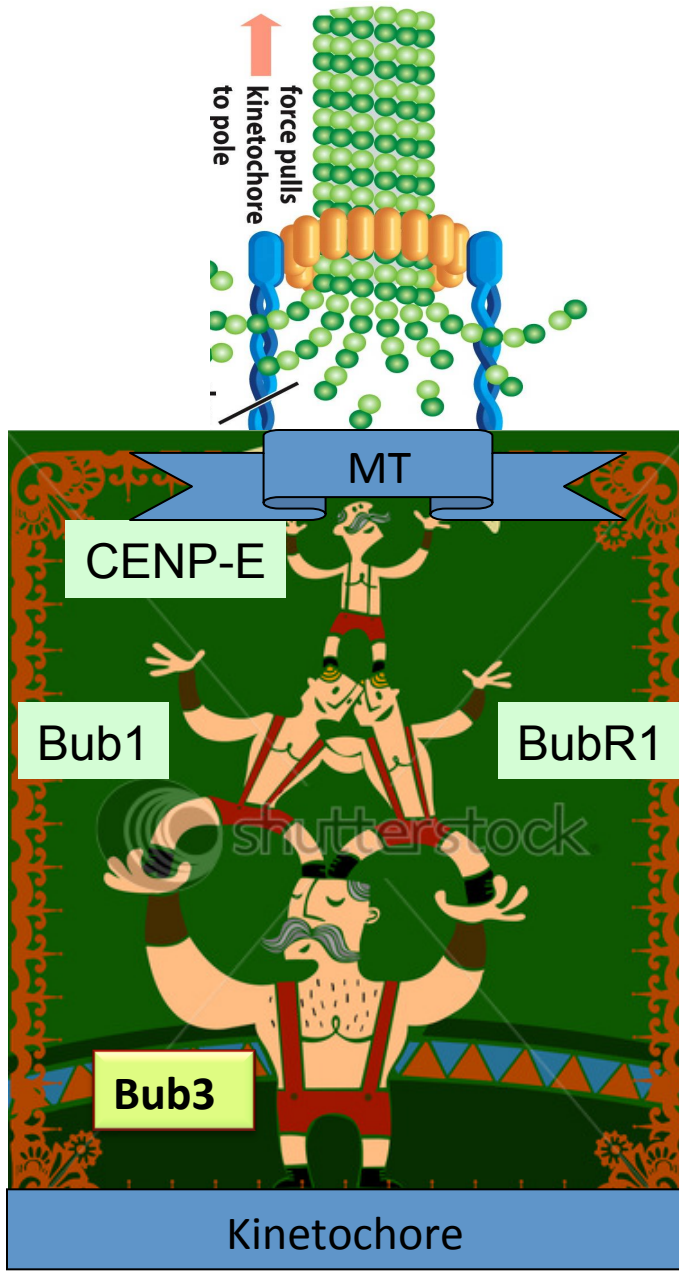
Merotelic attachment



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# Bub3



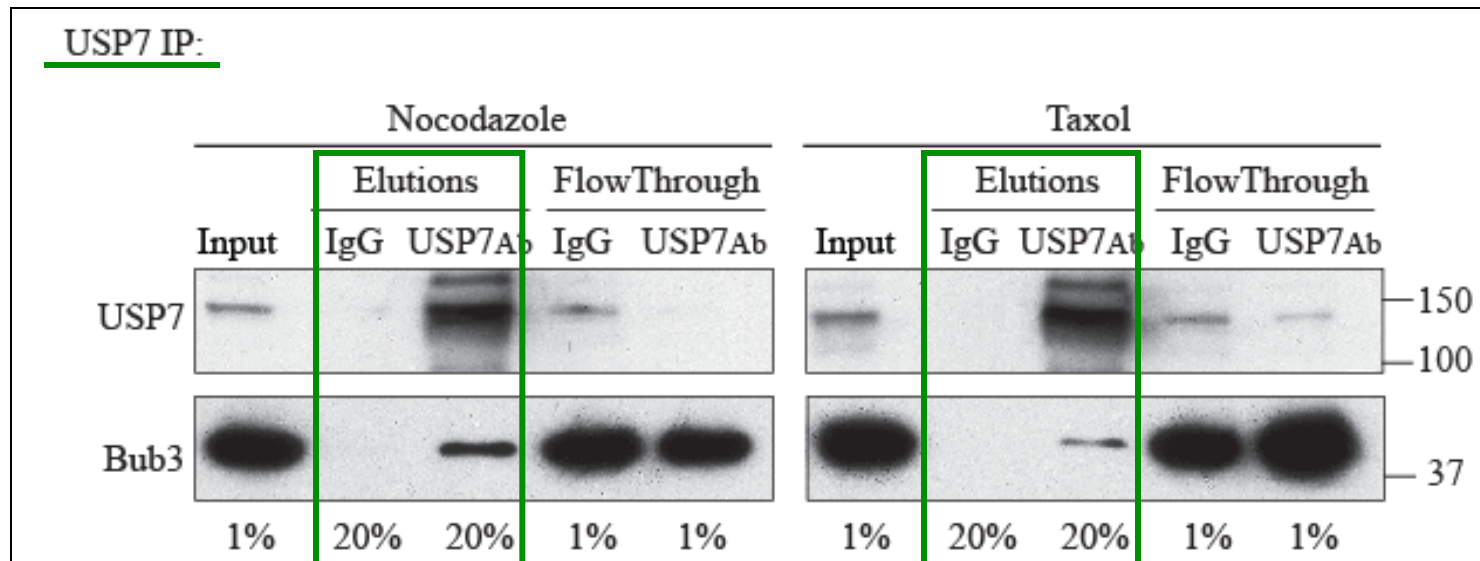
## Bub3 functions:

- To recruit other SAC components, thus is essential for MT-K
- Produce a ‘Wait’ signal until satisfactory MT-K are

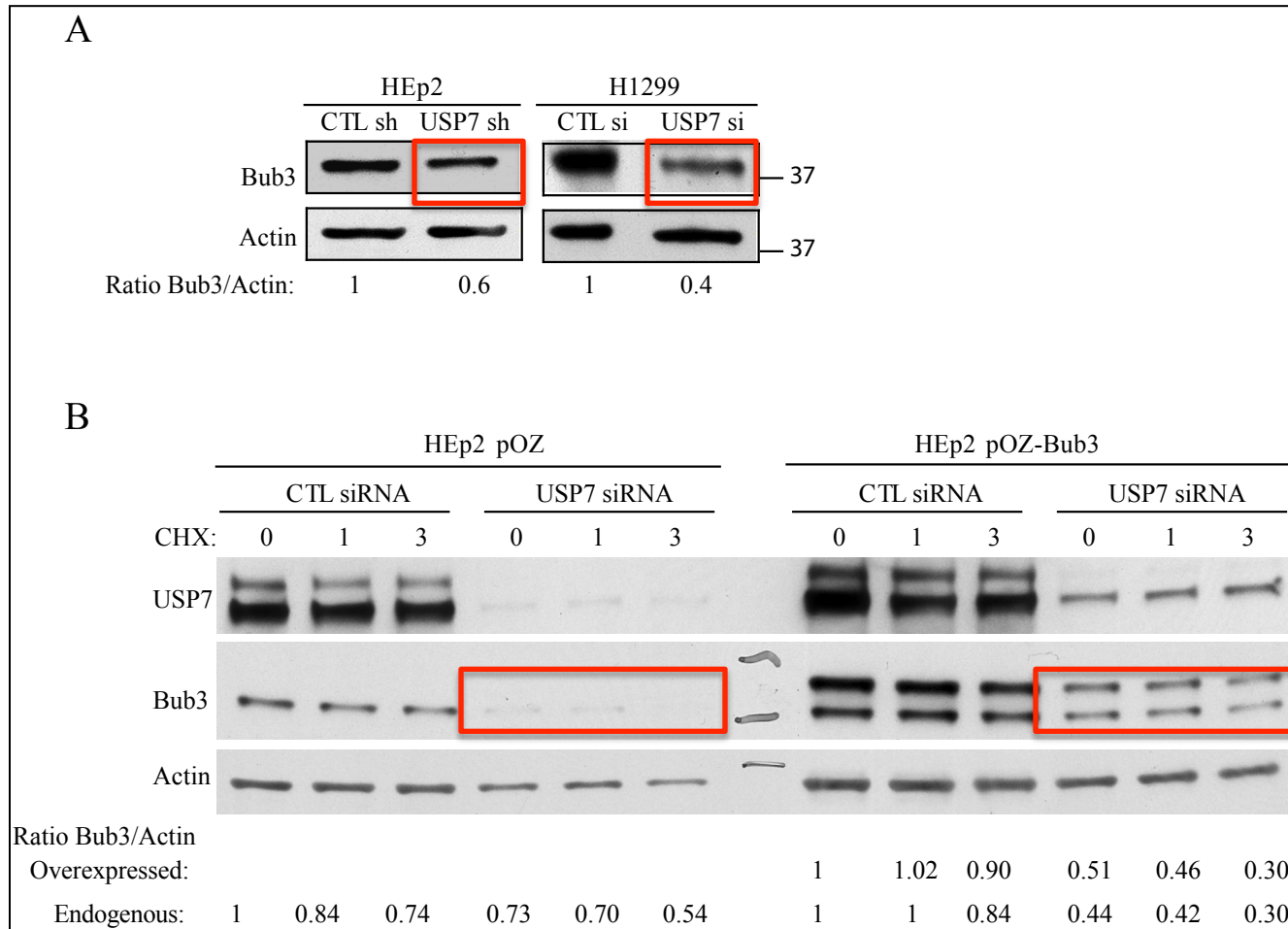
## If lacking:

- Increase in faulty attachments
- Lagging chromosomes

# USP7 and Bub3



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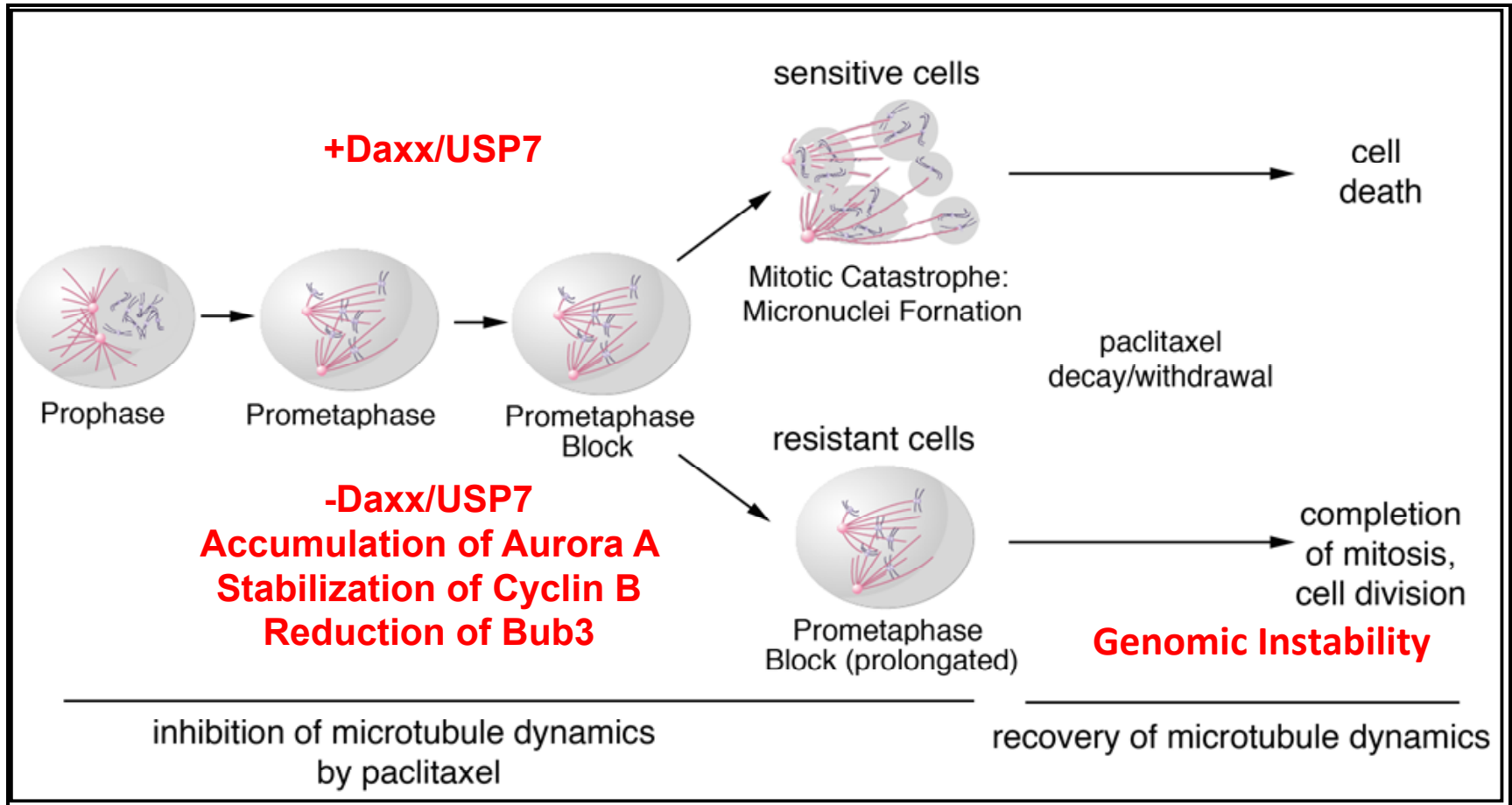


Levels of Bub3 are decreased in cells with depleted USP7

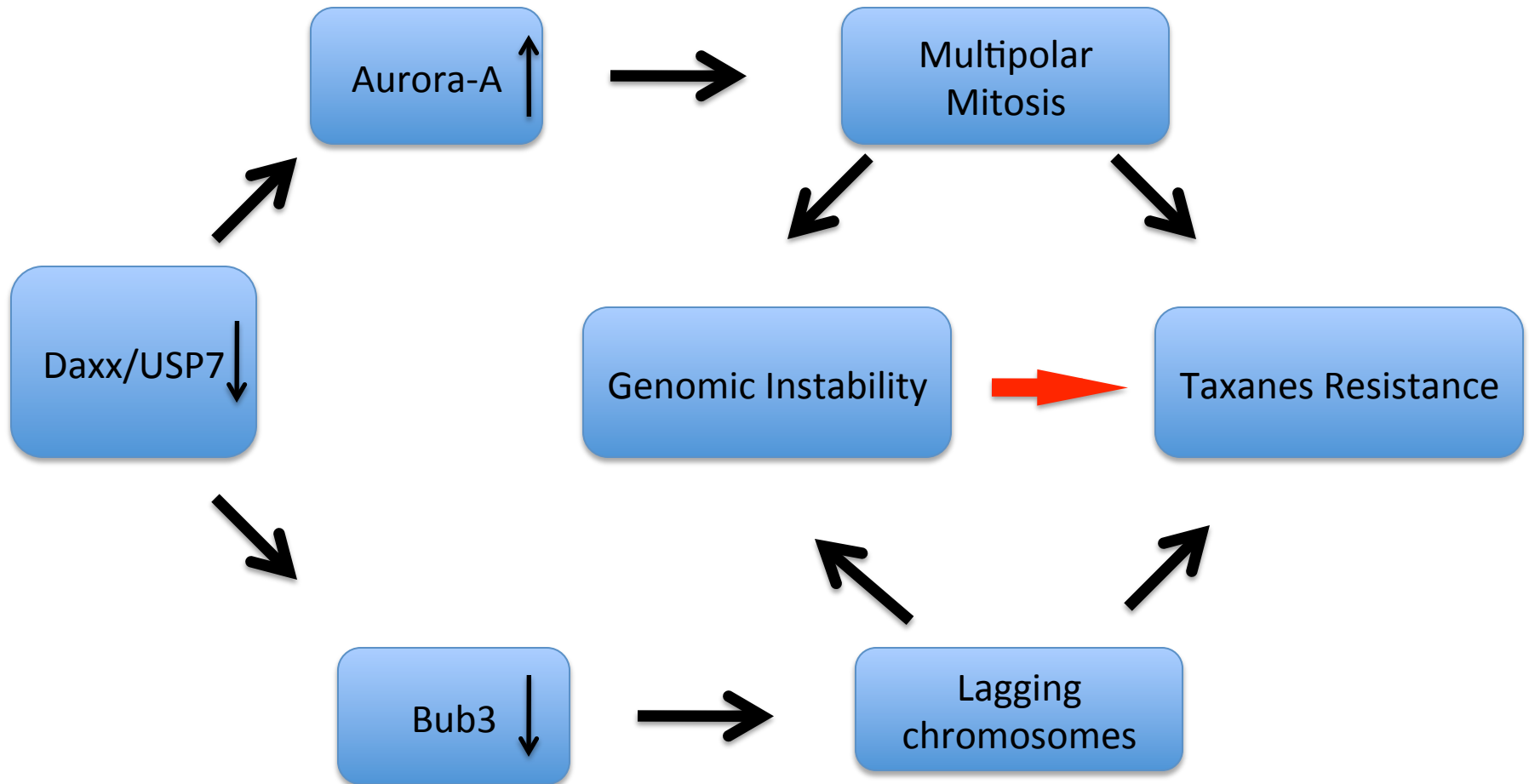
Reduction of Bub3 in cells with silenced USP7 explains the lagging chromosomes and genomic instability

# Working model

**Hypothesis:** Loss of Daxx/USP7 induces Taxanes resistance by regulating mitotic checkpoint proteins



# USP7/Daxx in taxane resistance



**Hypothesis:** Genomic Instability (including one induced by Daxx/USP7 inactivation) activates Spindle Assembly Checkpoint that blocks cells in mitosis and thus increases resistance to taxanes and other antimitotic drugs.

# Clinical applications



## Do's

- Use Daxx and USP7 as predictive markers of taxane response
- Use Aurora-A Inhibitors + taxanes

## Don'ts

- Do not use USP7i in combination with taxane treatment (regardless p53 cellular status)
- Do not use DNA damage agents before taxanes

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