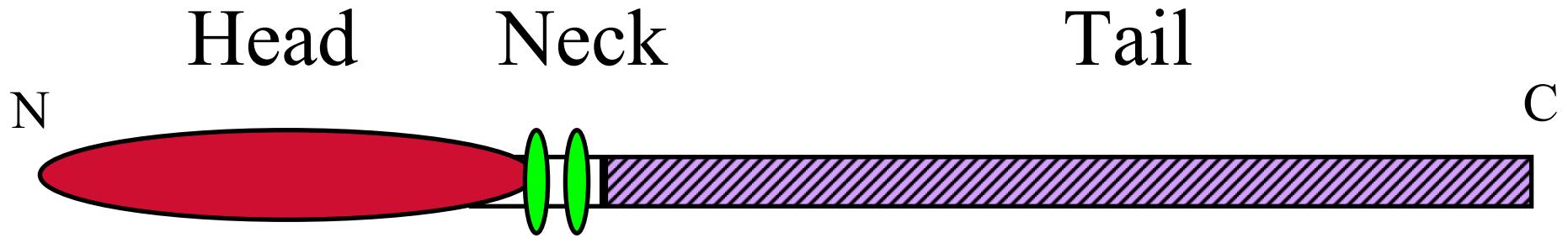


Conventional Myosin



Motor domain

- actin binding
- ATP hydrolysis

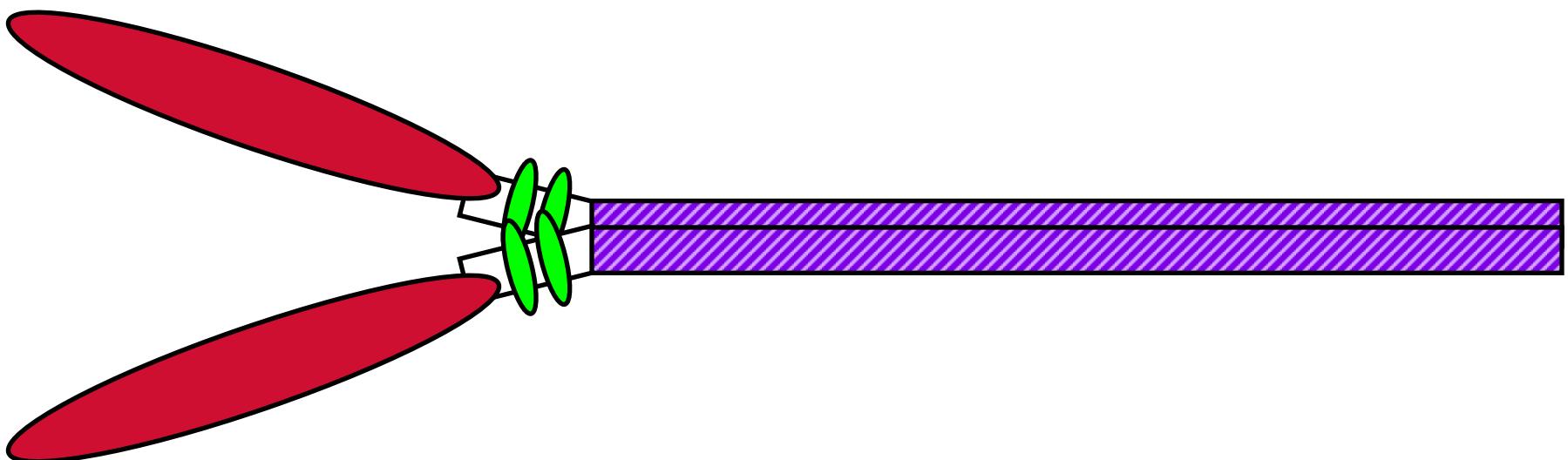
Colied-coil domain

- dimerization

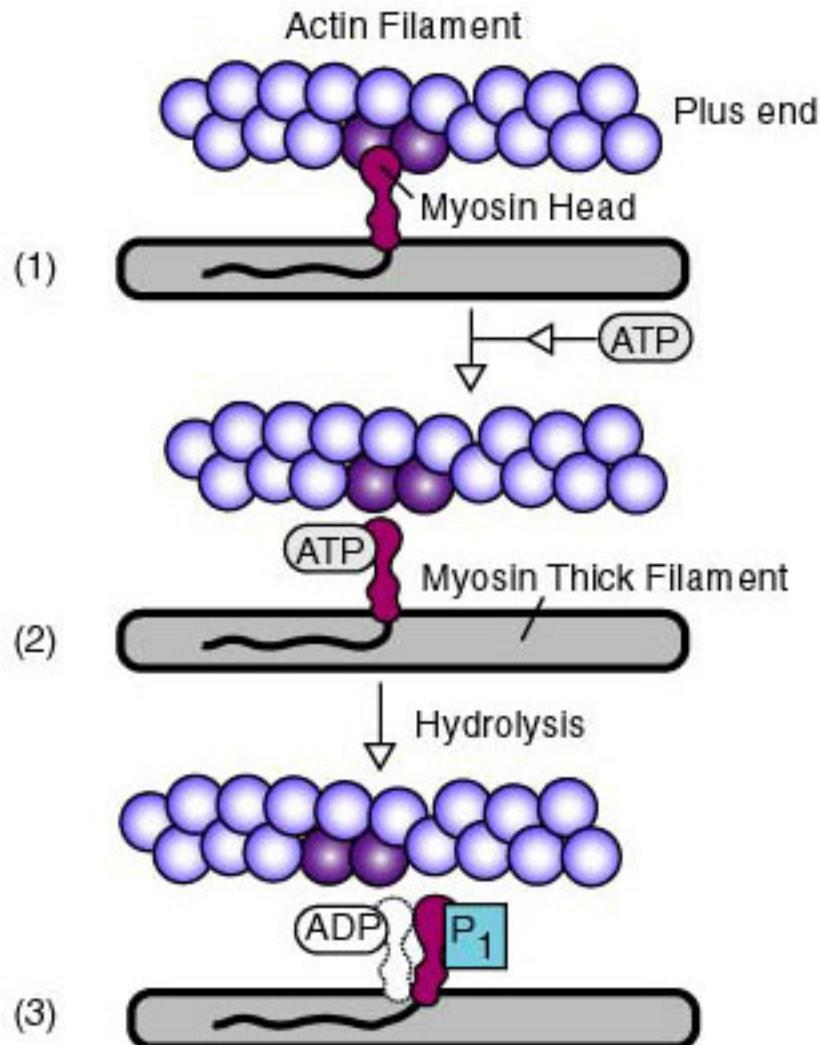
Regulatory region (IQ)

- light chain binding

Myosin Dimer

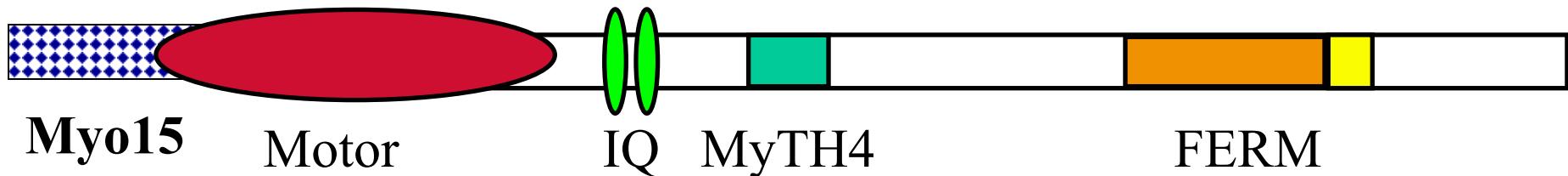
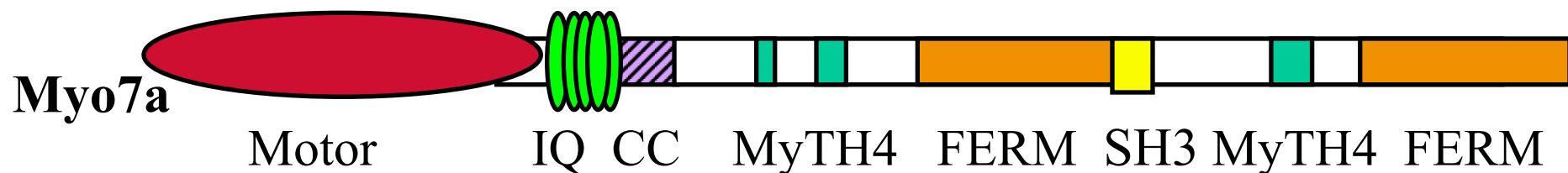
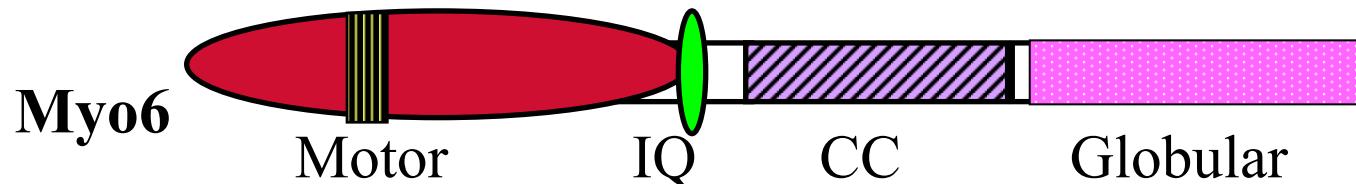


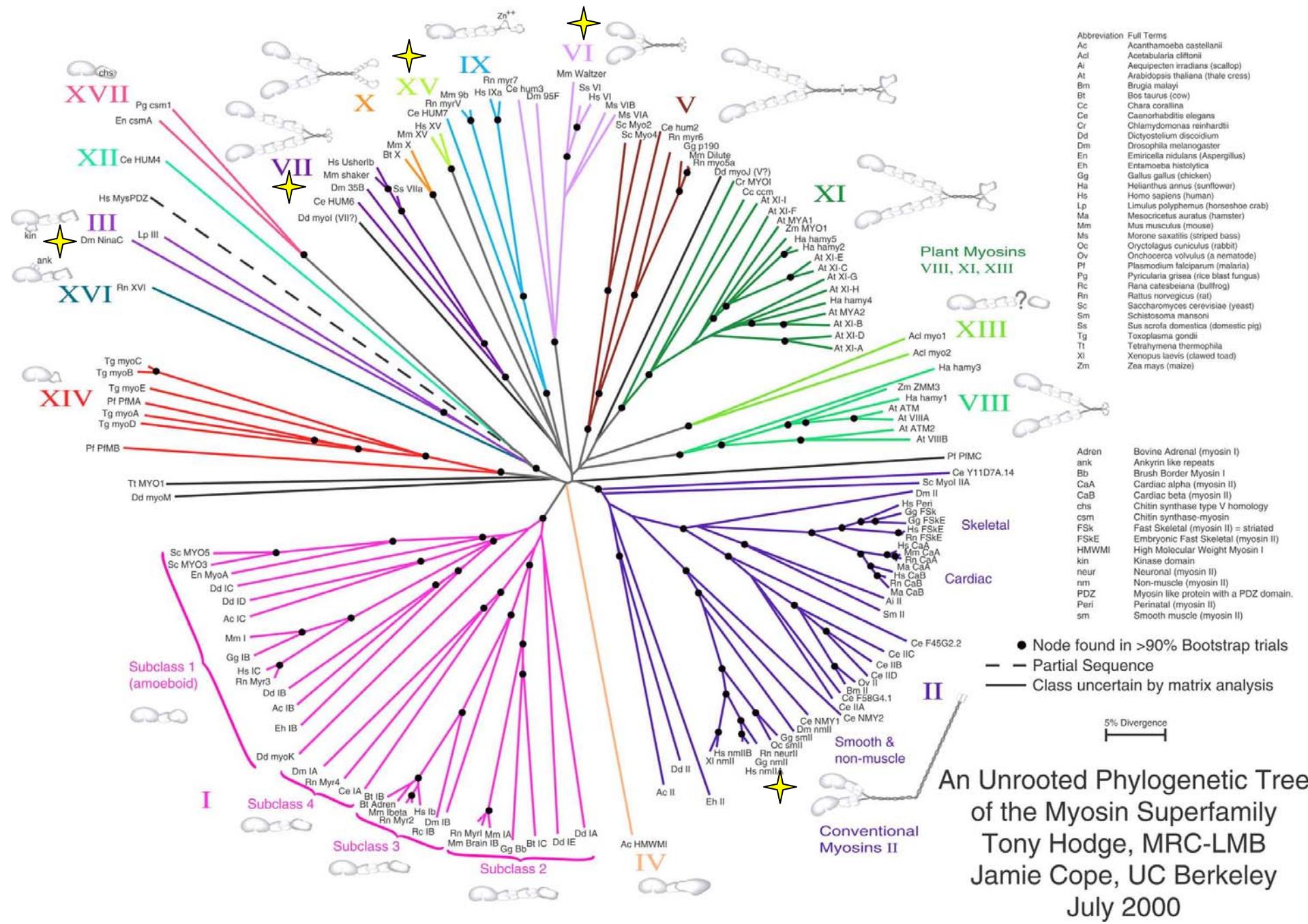
The Cycle of Structural Changes Used by Myosin to Walk Along an Actin Filament



The cycle of structural changes used by myosin to walk along an actin filament (from Alberts et al., Molec. Biol. Of the Cell, 2002)

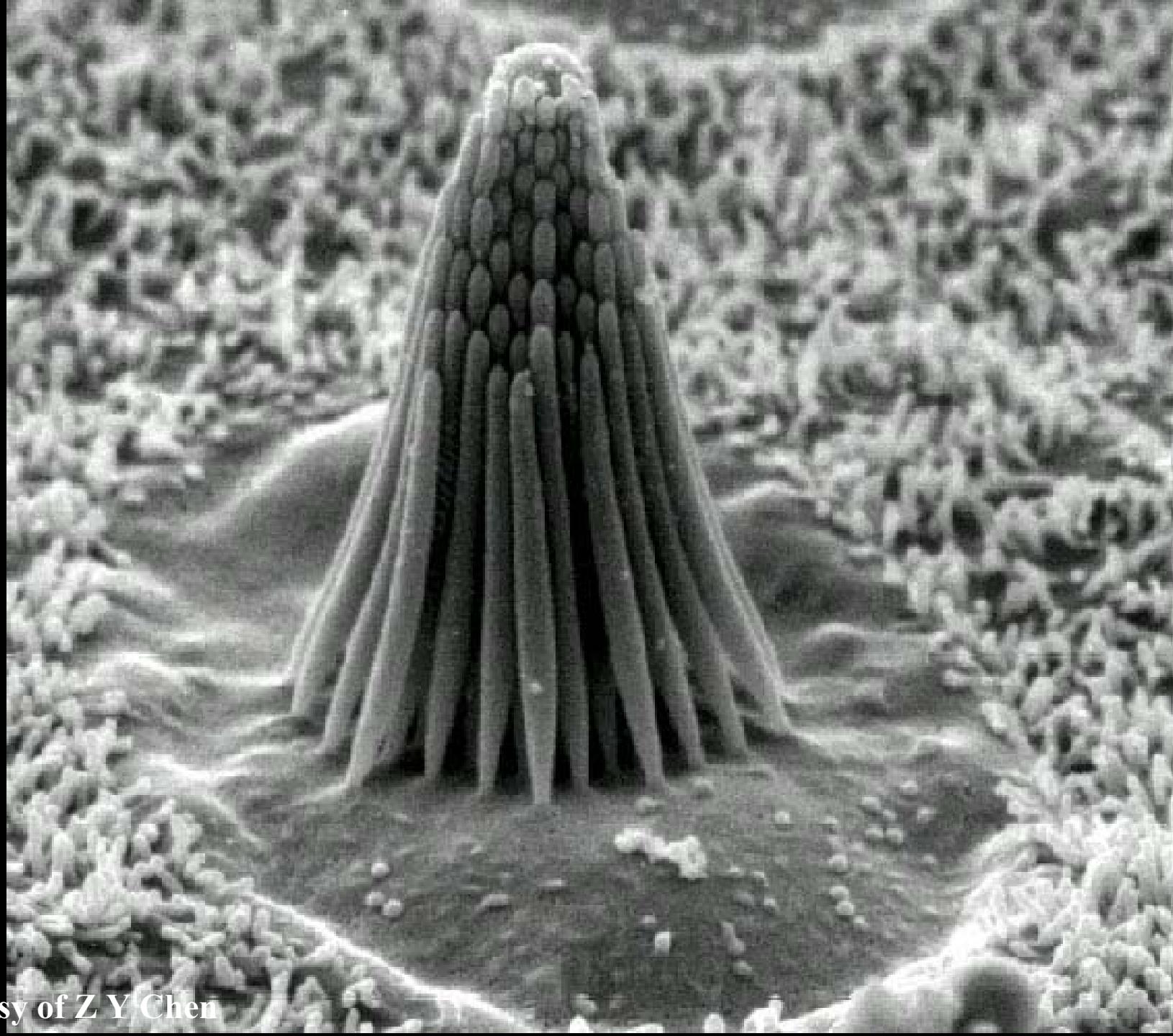
Myo6, Myo7a, Myo15





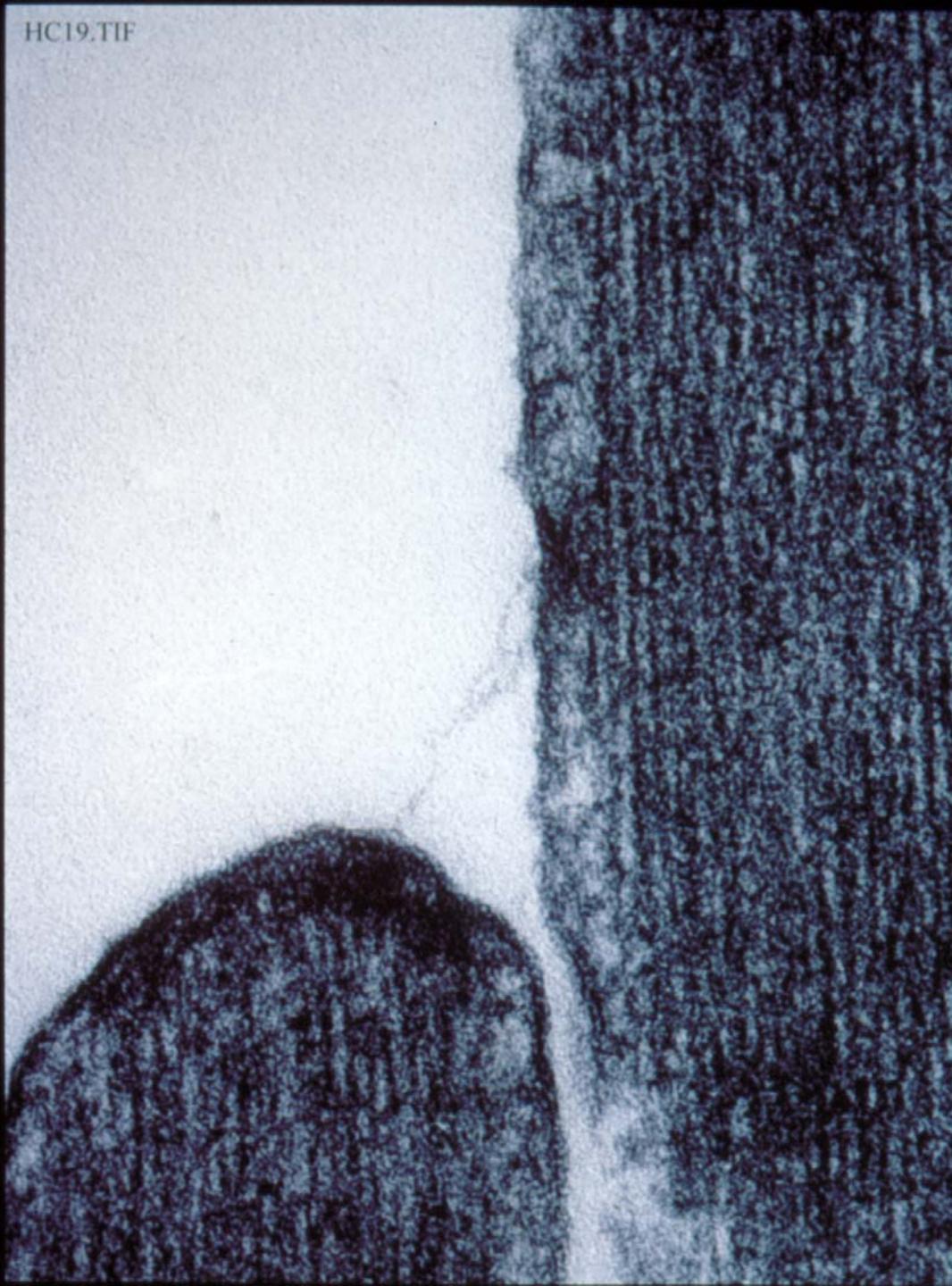
Myosins in the inner ear

Gene	Mouse mutant	Human disease	Hair cell defects
MYO1β			
MYO3A		DFNB30	
MYO6	Snell's waltzer	DFNA22	Fused stereocilia
MYO7A	shaker 1	Usher 1B, DFNA11/B2	Splayed stereocilia
MYH9		DFNA17	
MYO15	shaker 2	DFNB3	Short stereocilia, actin rods

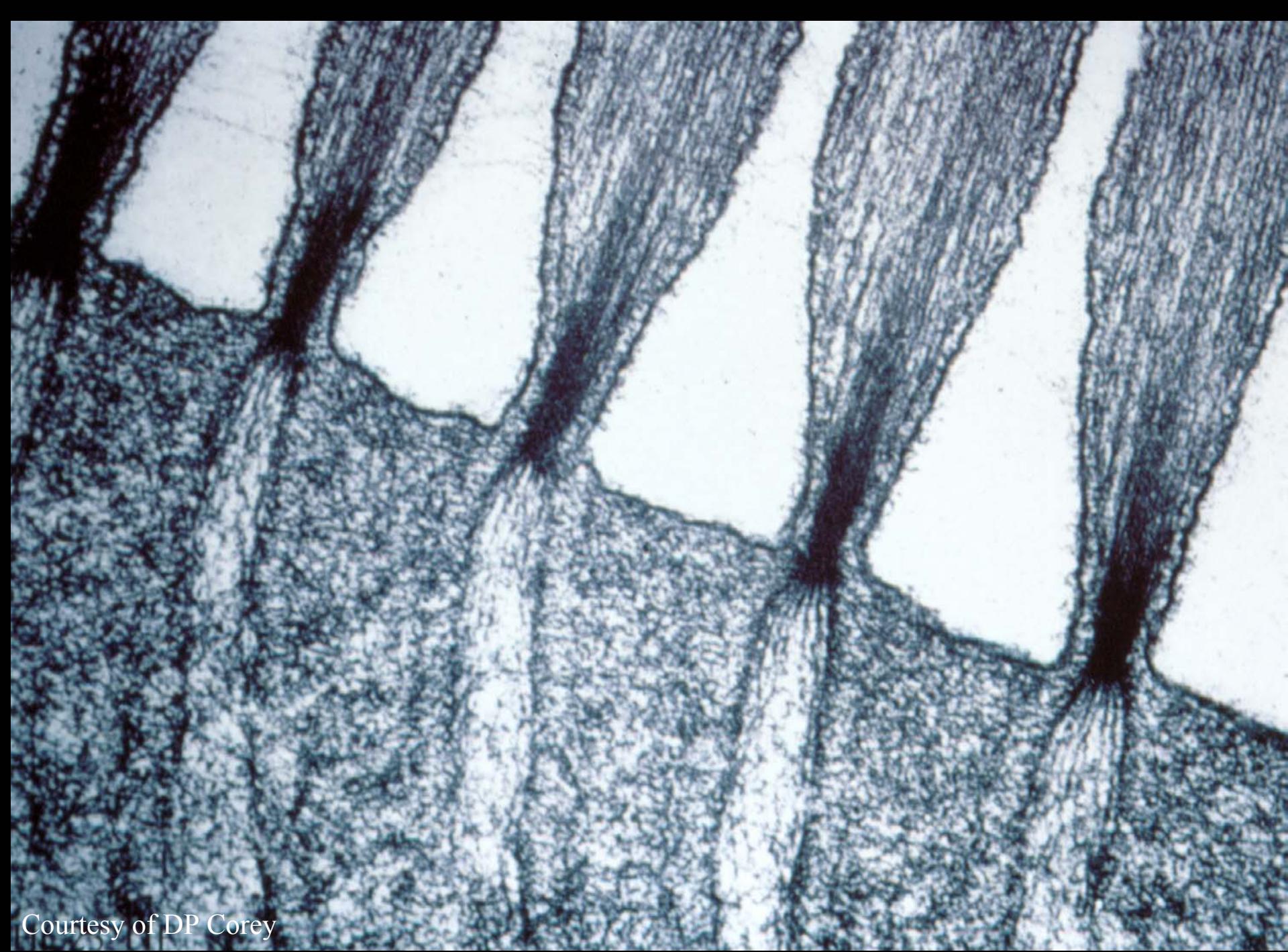


Courtesy of Z Y Chen

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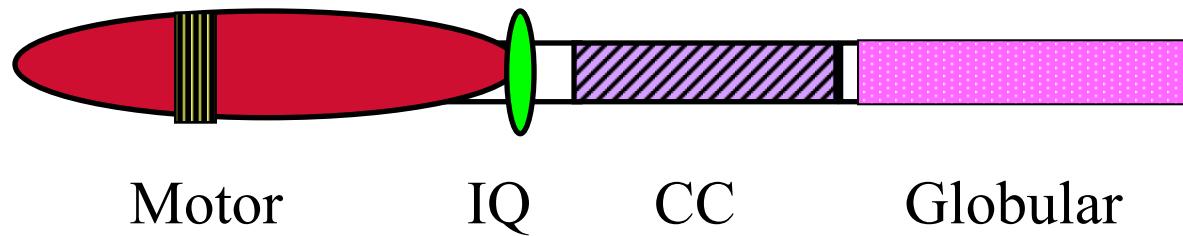


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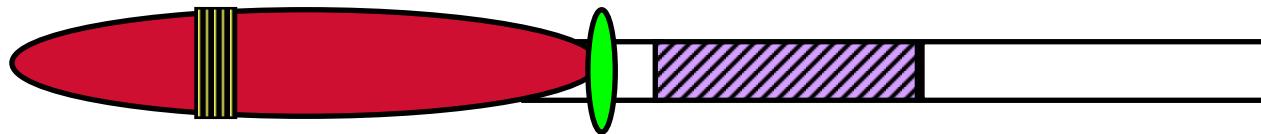
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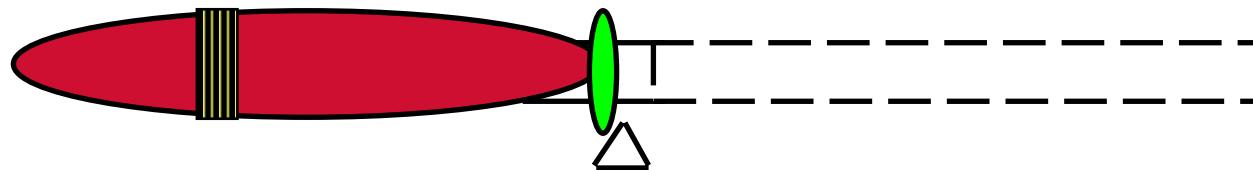


Mutations in Myosin VI Producing Deafness

Myosin VI



Myosin VI Snell's Waltzer

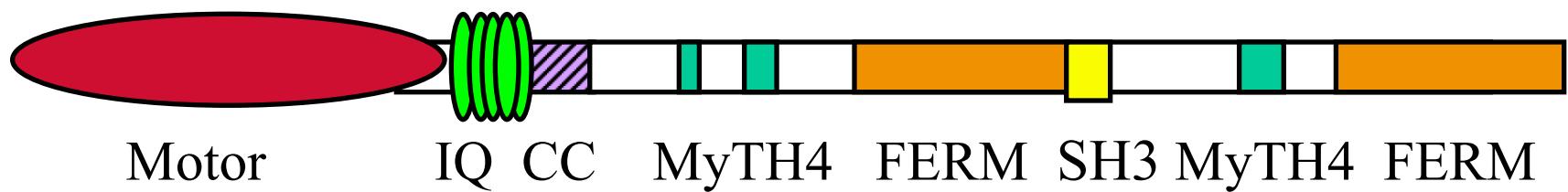


130 bp deletion

Model for stereocilia fusion in the absence of *MYO6* in the *snell's waltzer* mouse.

Self et al., Dev. Biol., 1999, 214;331

Myosin VIIa



Myosin VIIa and Human Deafness

	Hearing Loss	Onset	Other Features	Vestibular Function
USH1B	profound	congenital	retinitis pigmentosa	absent
DFNB2	profound	congenital	none	variable
DFNA11	moderate	post-lingual	none	variable

The Usher syndromes

- ~50% of the deaf blind population has Usher syndrome
- There are at least 11 Usher syndrome loci; 6 genes identified to date
- Type 1: profound congenital hearing loss, vestibular areflexia, early onset vision loss
- Type 2: congenital sloping hearing loss, normal vestibular, 1st or 2nd decade vision loss
- Type 3: progressive hearing loss, variable vestibular and vision defects

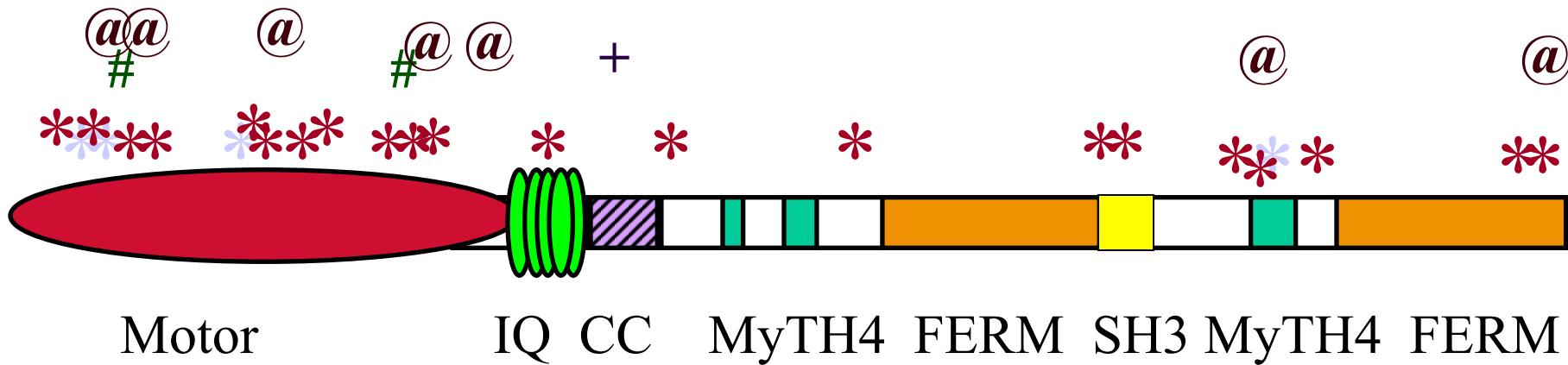
Mutations in Myosin VIIa Producing Deafness

Usher 1B mutations *

DFNB2 mutations #

DFNA11 mutations +

shaker-1 mutations @

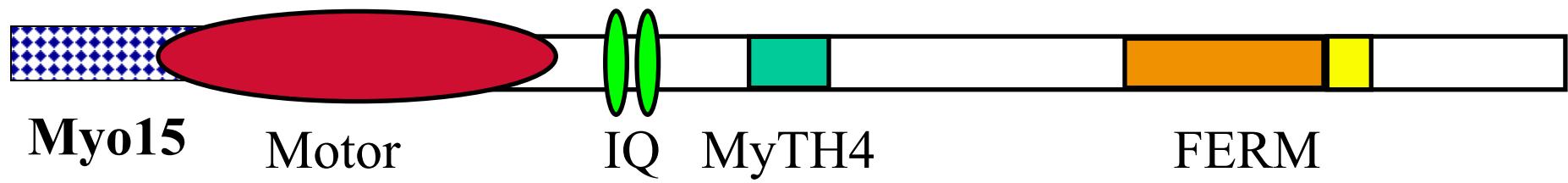


Myosin VIIa Tissue Expression

Myosin VIIa is exclusively expressed in:

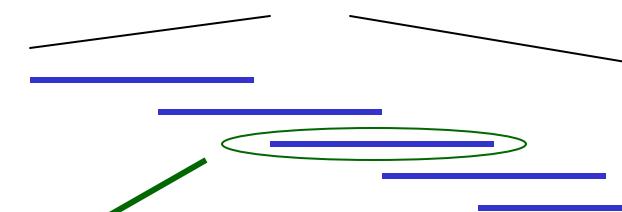
- | | retinal pigment epithelium | Human | Mouse |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| • retina | photoreceptor cells | Human | |
| • lung | | | |
| • kidney | | | |
| • testis | | | |
| • inner ear | inner hair cells | Human | Mouse |
| | outer hair cells | Human | Mouse |

Myosin 15



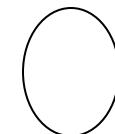
Functional cloning to rescue the *shaker 2* phenotype

Mouse chromosome 11



} BAC contig of
sh2 interval

sh2/sh2



Pedigrees and MYO15 allele segregation from 3 DFNB3 families

See Wang et al., Science, 1998, 280:1447

DNA sequence of MYO15 from 3 DFNB3 families

See Wang et al., Science, 1998, 280:1447

Stereocilia of *shaker 2* mouse

See Probst et al., Science, 1998, 280:1444

Progressive hearing loss in DFNB30

See Walsh et al., PNAS, 2002, 99;7518

MYO 3A staining in mouse inner and outer hair cells

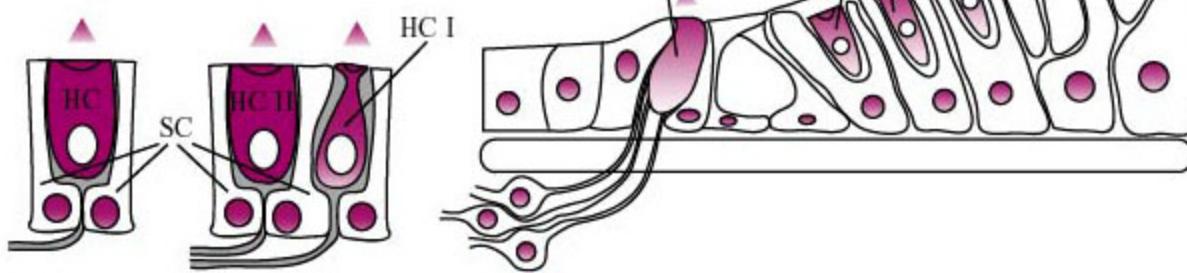
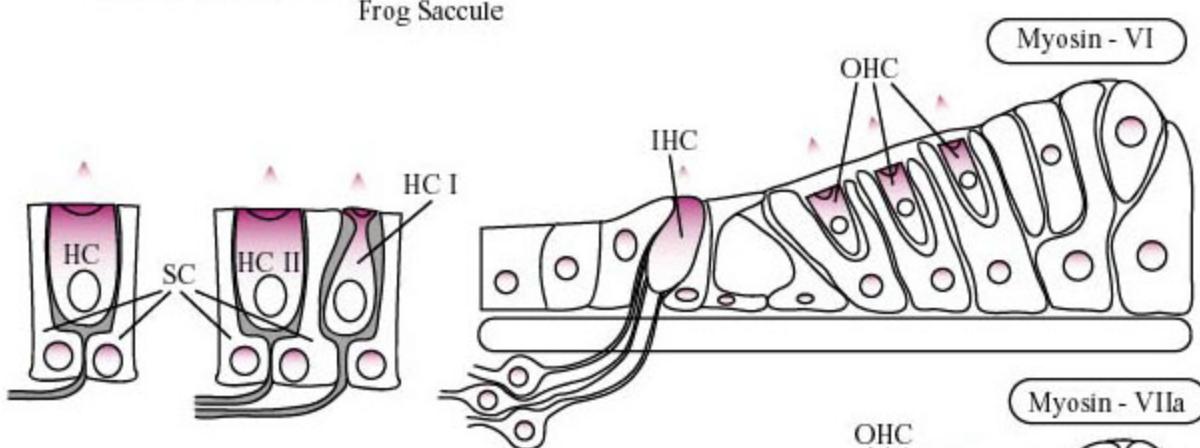
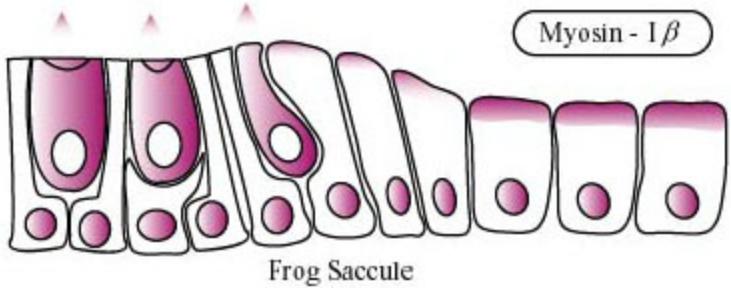
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DFNA17 kindred and sequence of MYH9

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MYH9 expression in rat cochlea

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