

The Yeast Systems Biology Network YSBN

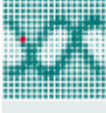


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Cell Size at S Phase Initiation: an Emergent Property of the G_1/S Network

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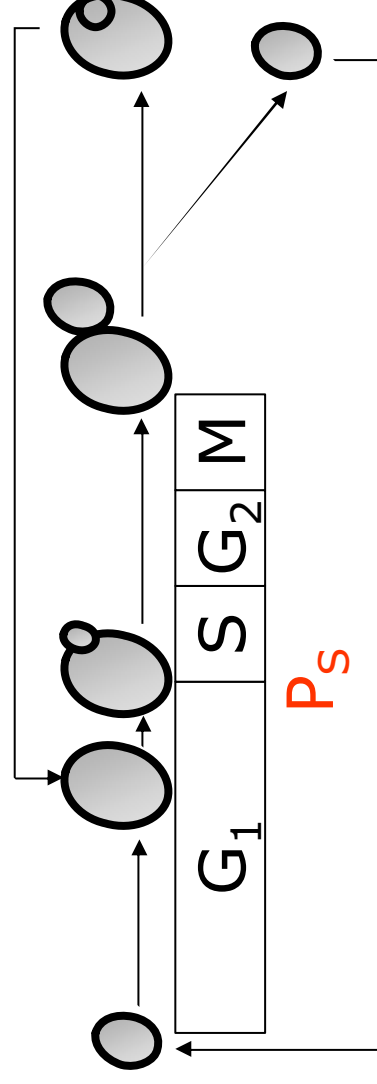
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The Yeast Cell Cycle Control

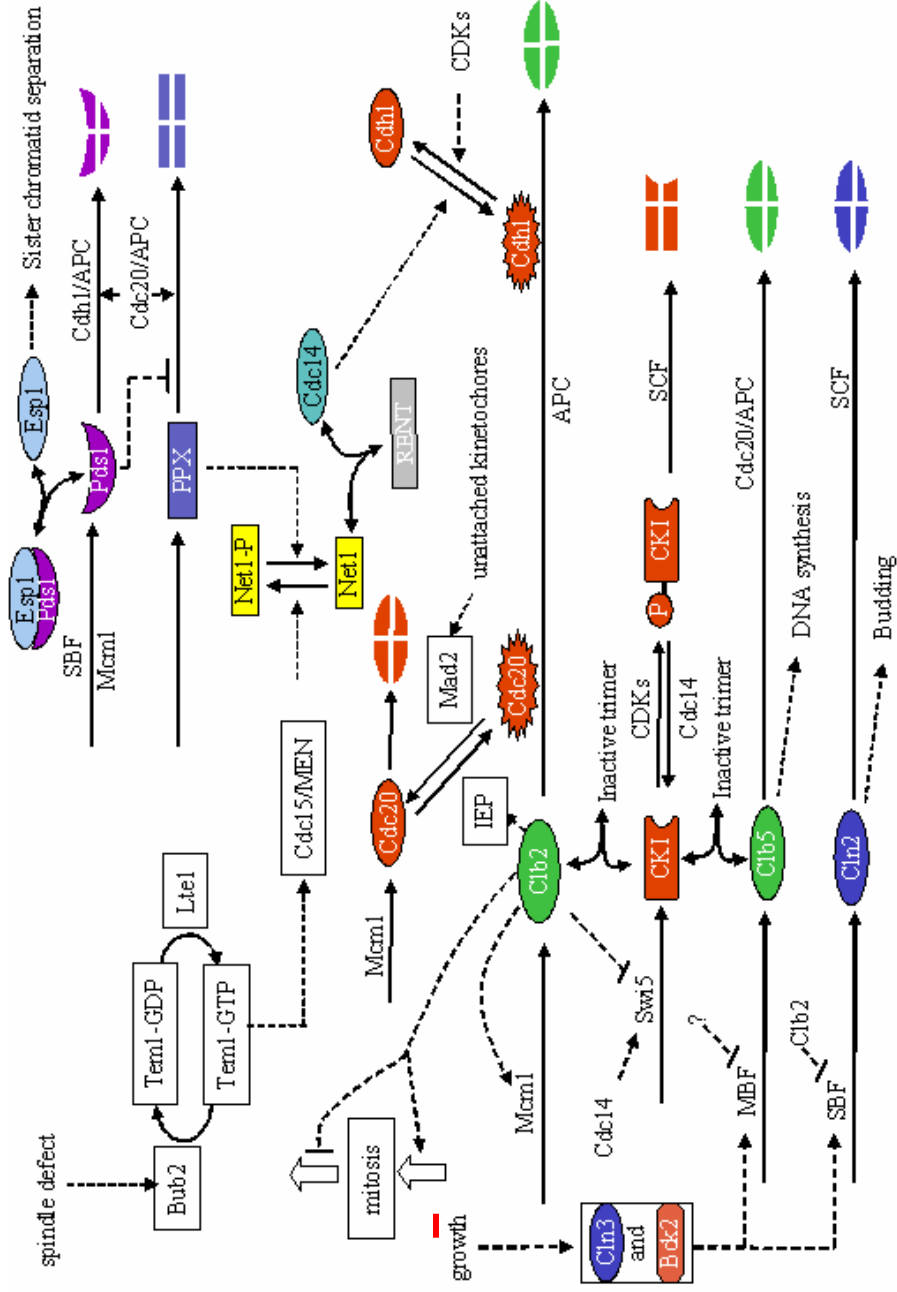
In budding yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* :

- The **coordination between cell growth and cell division** is a **universal** but poorly understood feature of the cell cycle
- The main regulatory event(s) takes place at **START**, when cells must reach a **critical cell size (P_S)** to enter into S phase

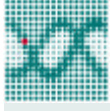




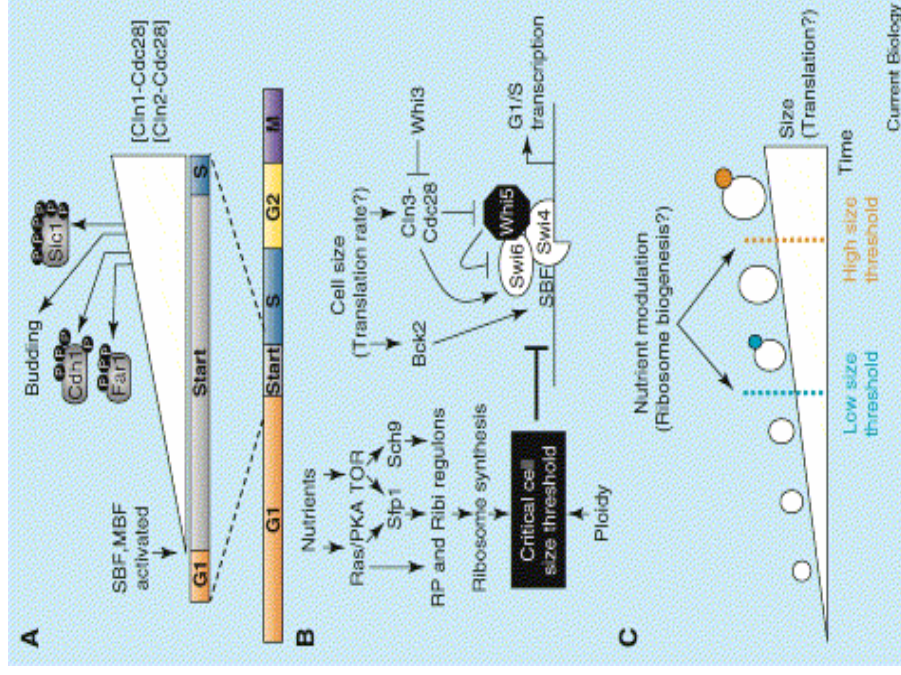
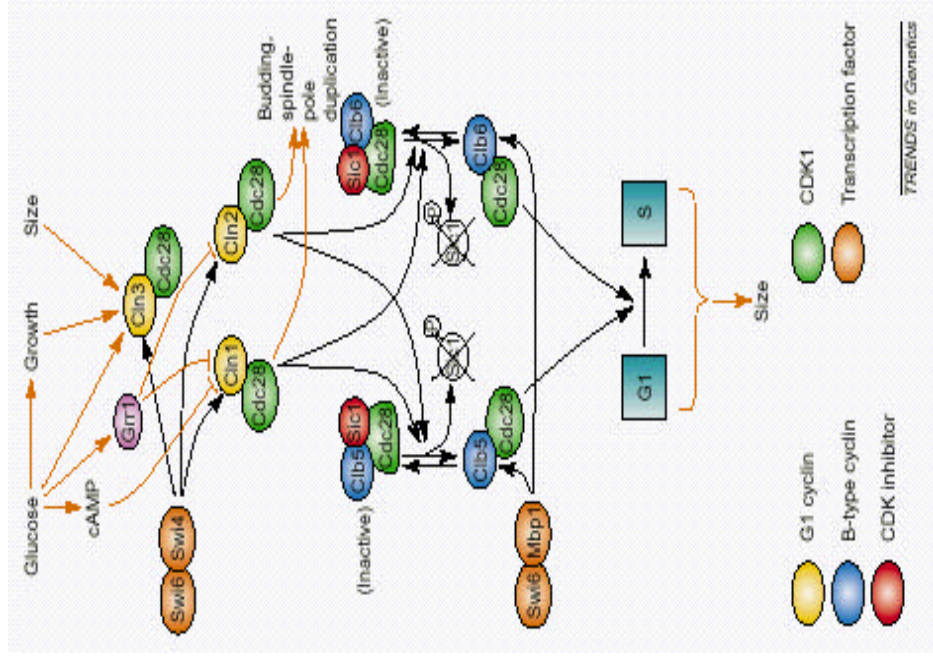
Mathematical Model: the Whole Cell Cycle



(Chen K.C., *Mol. Biol. Cell*, 2004, 15: 3841-3862)

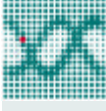


Descriptive Models: the G₁/S Transition

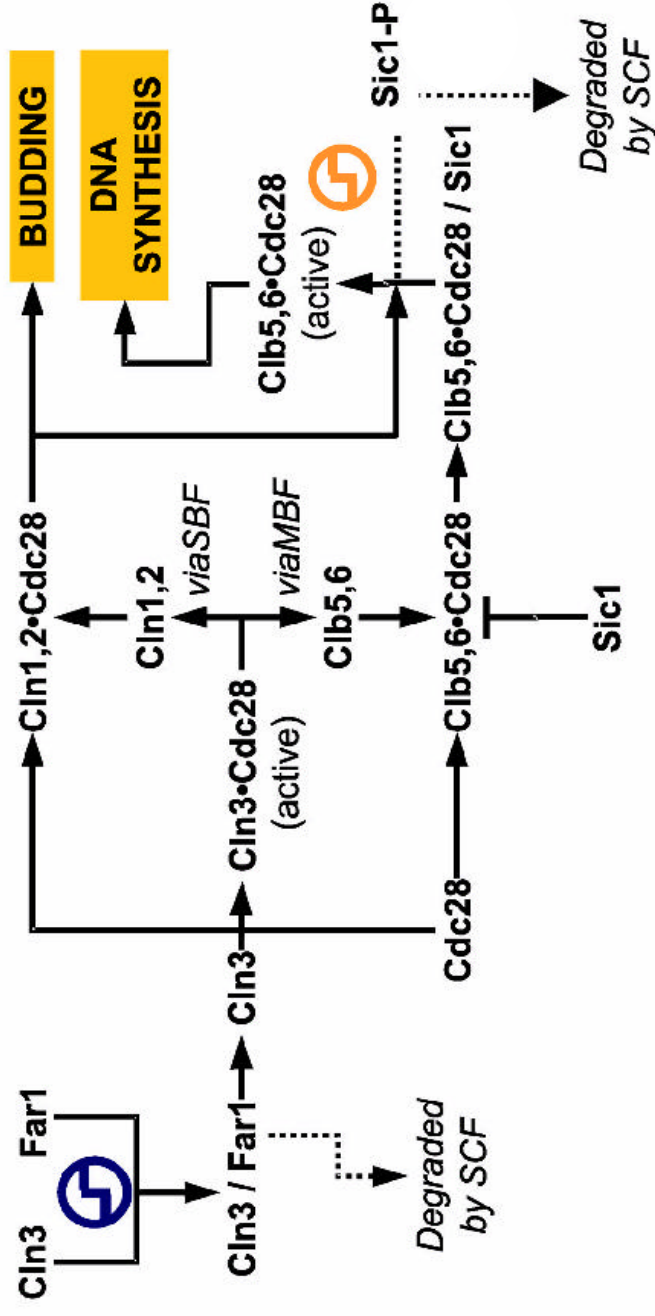


(Rupes I., Trends Genet., 2002, 18: 479-485)

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Descriptive Models: the G₁/S Transition



(Alberghina L. et al., *J. Cell. Biol.*, 2004, 167: 433-443)



Outline of the work

Build the mathematical (ODE) model of the G_1/S transition based on literature data

Verify the model in different experimental conditions

Perform a sensitivity analysis for fine tuning of parameters

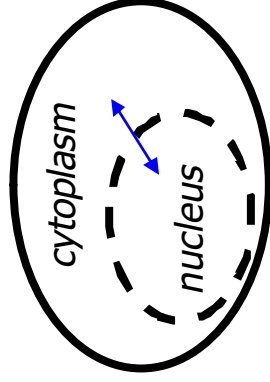
Test the model by simulations of dynamics of large number of mutants

Estimate the critical cell size P_s required to enter into S phase



Model Improvements

Compartmentalization

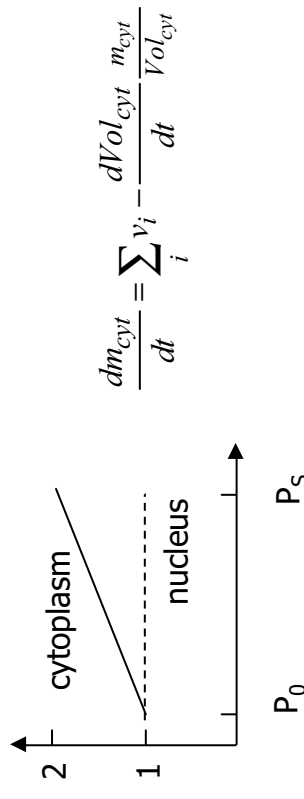


$$\frac{dm_{nuc}}{dt} = k_{transport} \cdot m_{cyt} \cdot \frac{Vol_{cyt}}{Vol_{nuc}}$$

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Volume Changes

Cell size growth during the G₁ phase



$$\frac{dm_{cyt}}{dt} = \sum_i v_i - \frac{dVol_{cyt}}{dt} \frac{m_{cyt}}{Vol_{cyt}}$$

	P ₀	P _S	TG ₁ (exp)
Glucose	60	100	80 min
Ethanol	32	54	240 min



Model of the G₁/S Transition

Cyclins

Cln1, Cln2
Cln3
Clb5, Clb6

Cyclin-Dependent
Kinases (CDK)

Cdk1 (Cdc28)

Cyclin-Dependent
Kinase Inhibitors (CKI)

Far1
Sic1

Transcriptional
Activators

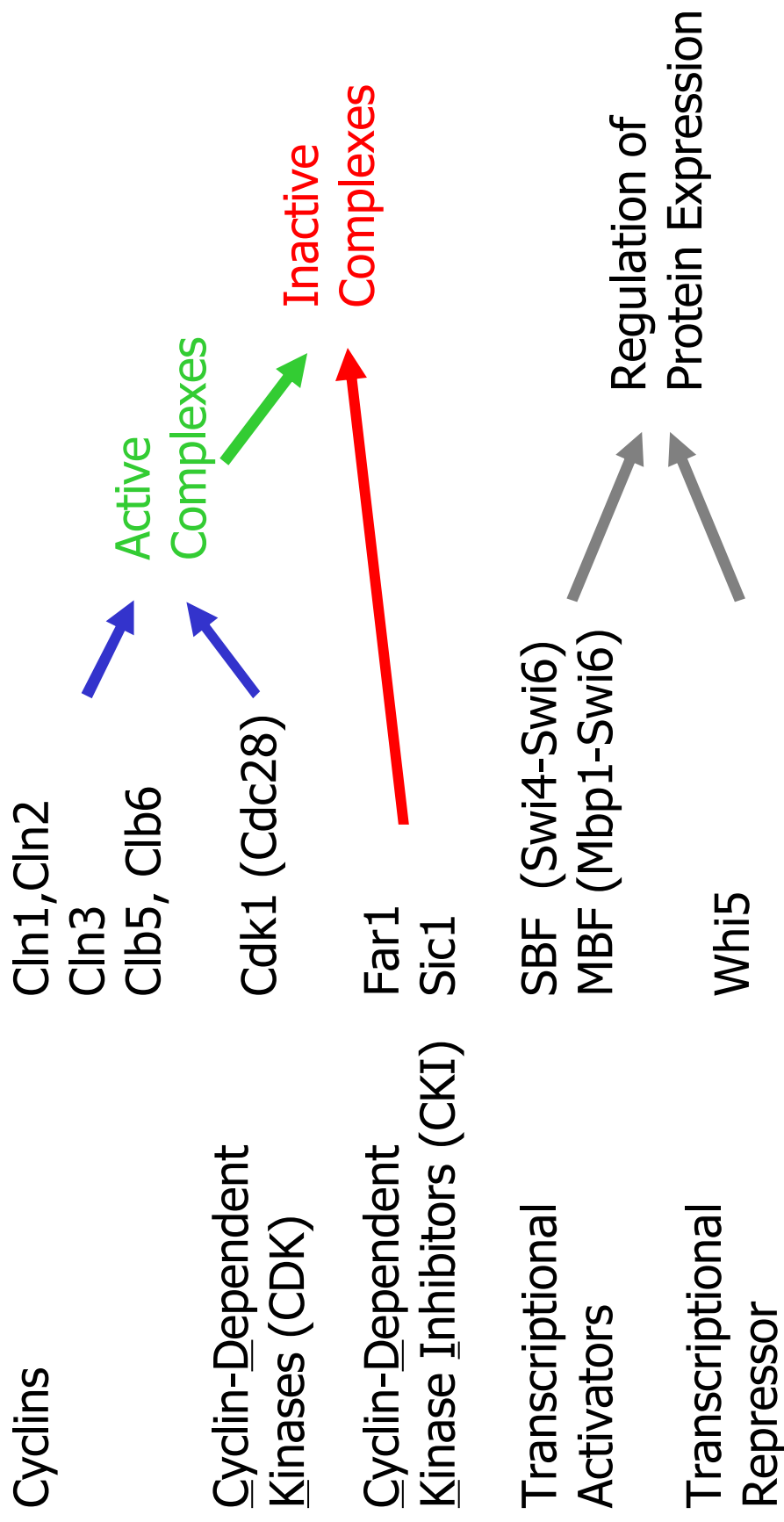
SBF (Swi4-Swi6)
MBF (Mbp1-Swi6)

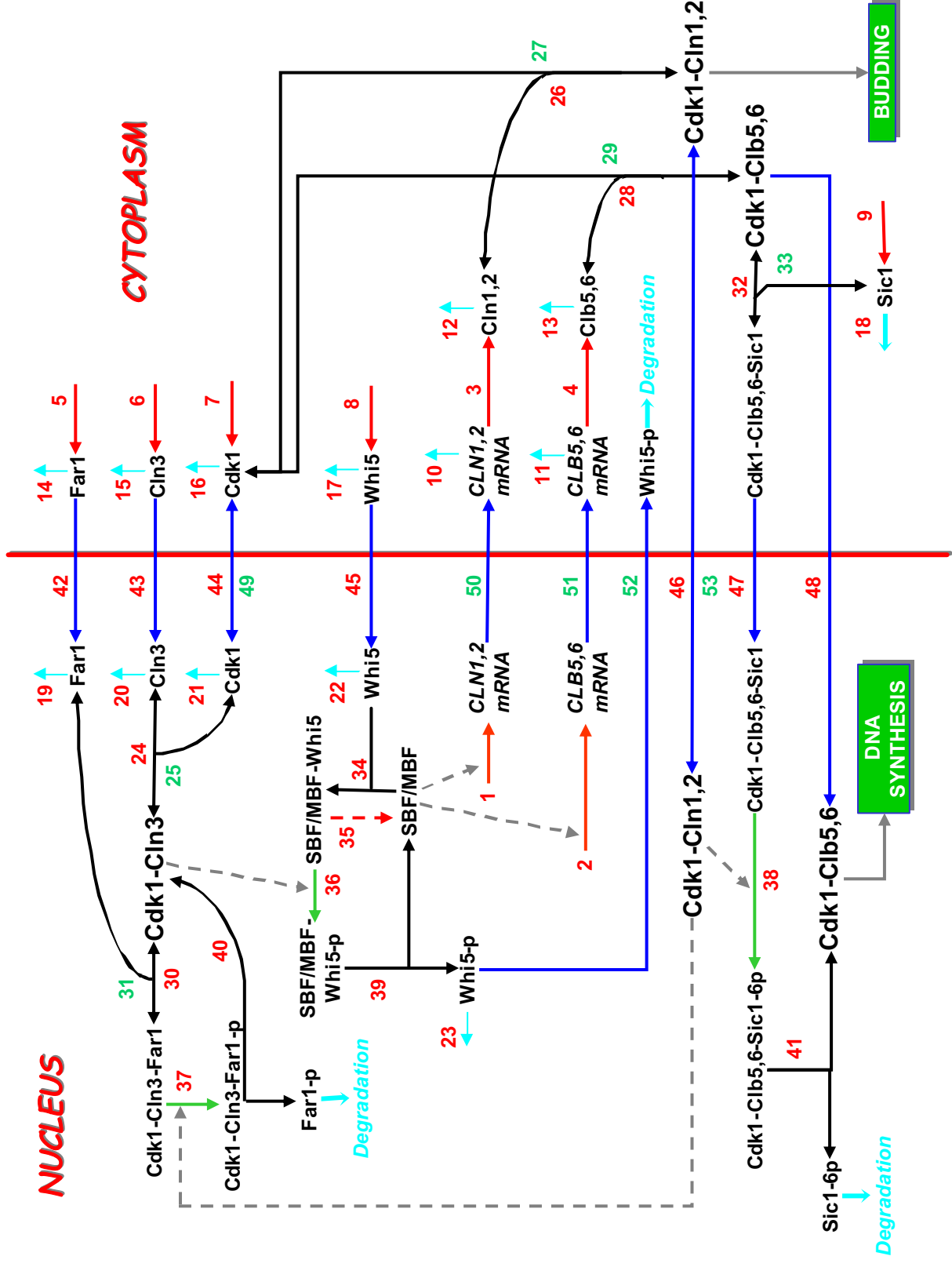
Transcriptional
Repressor

Whi5

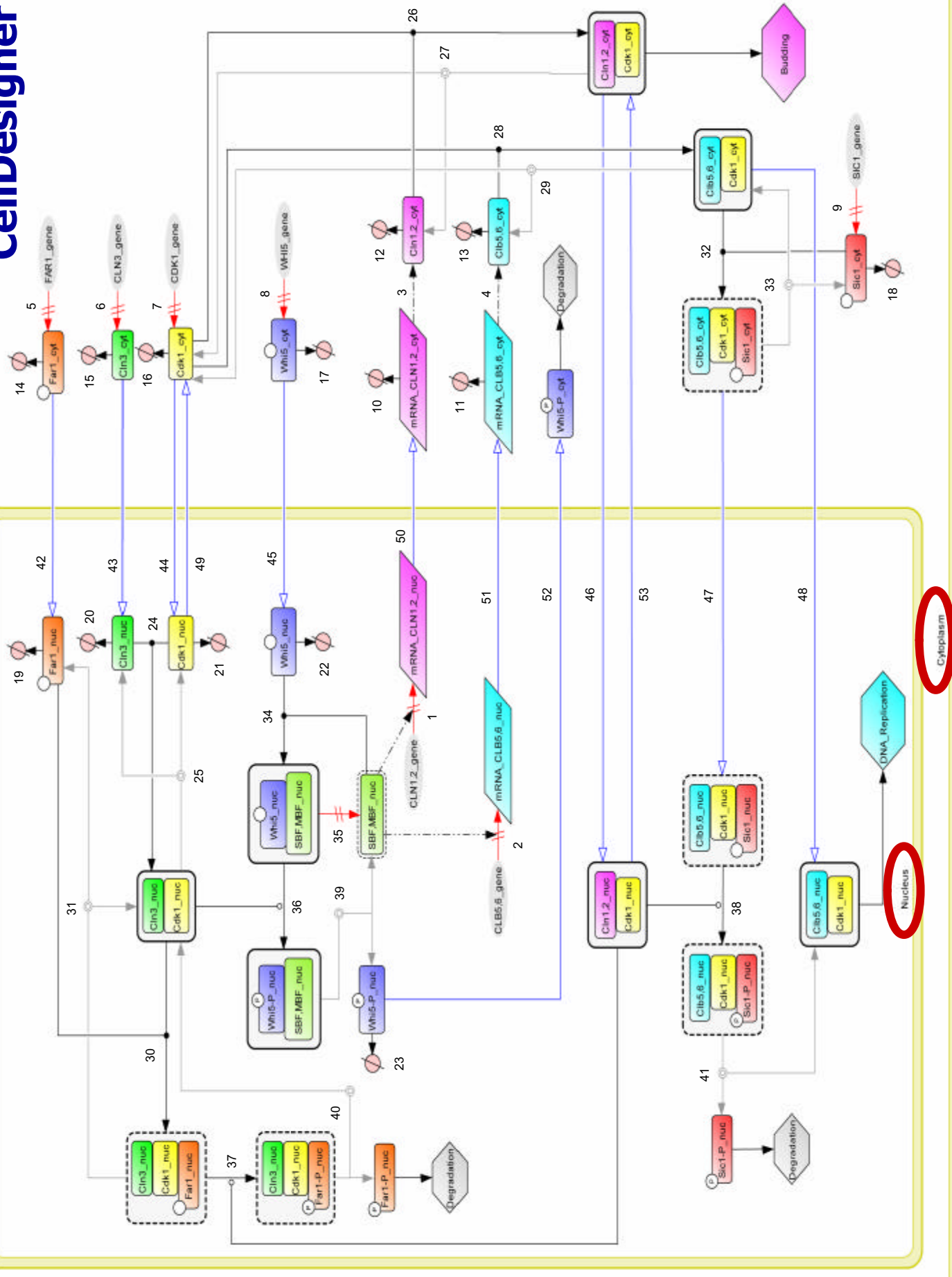


Model of the G₁/S Transition





CellDesigner





Modeling Pipeline

Collect experimental data (environmental and genetic perturbations, localizations, time courses, kinetic constants values)

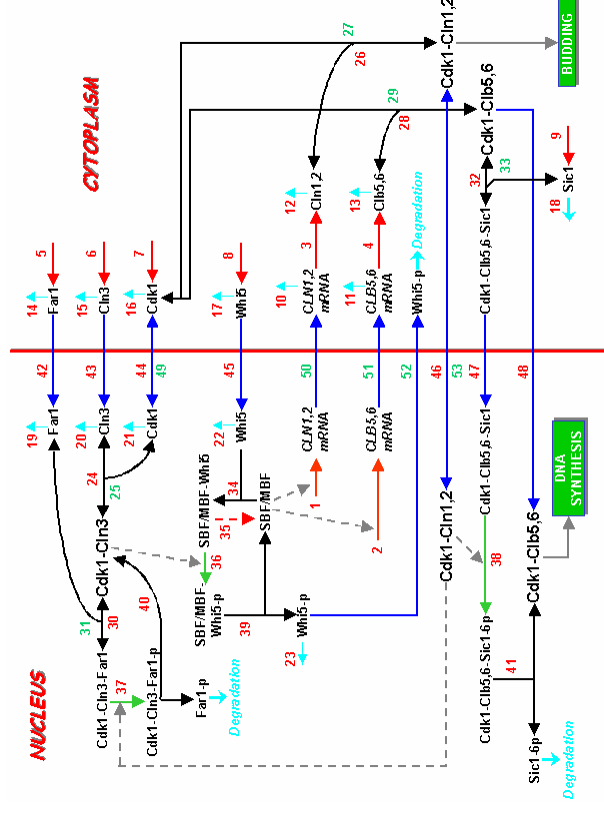
Estimate model parameters

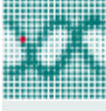
Simulate: agreement of model dynamics and experimental data?

Sensitivity analysis

Model validation

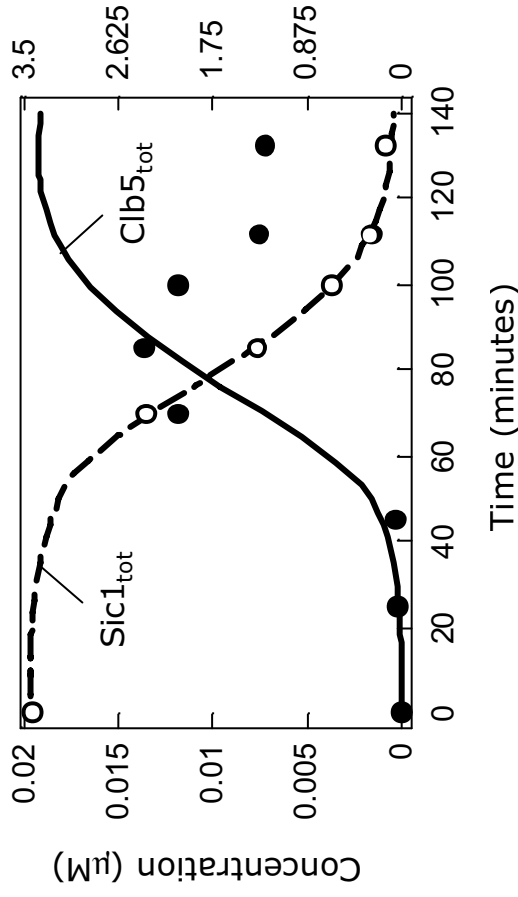
Predictions



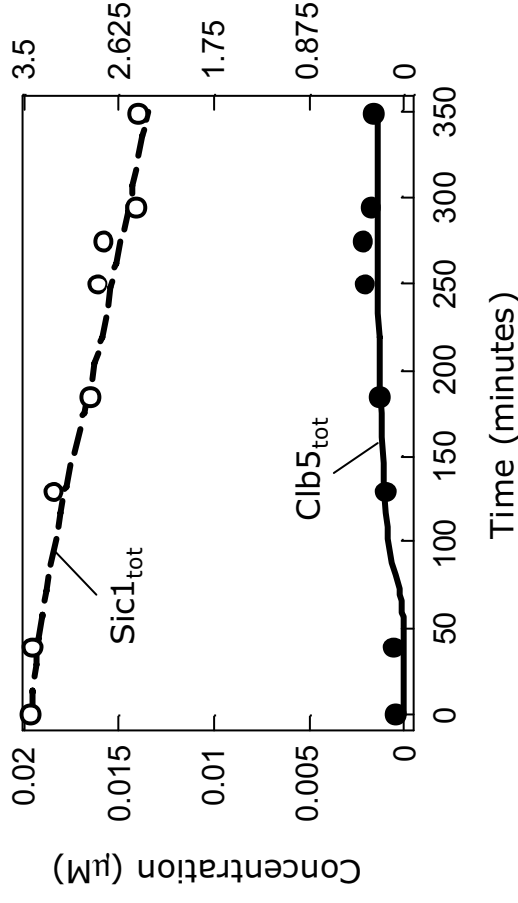


Testing Performance of the Model

Glucose



Ethanol



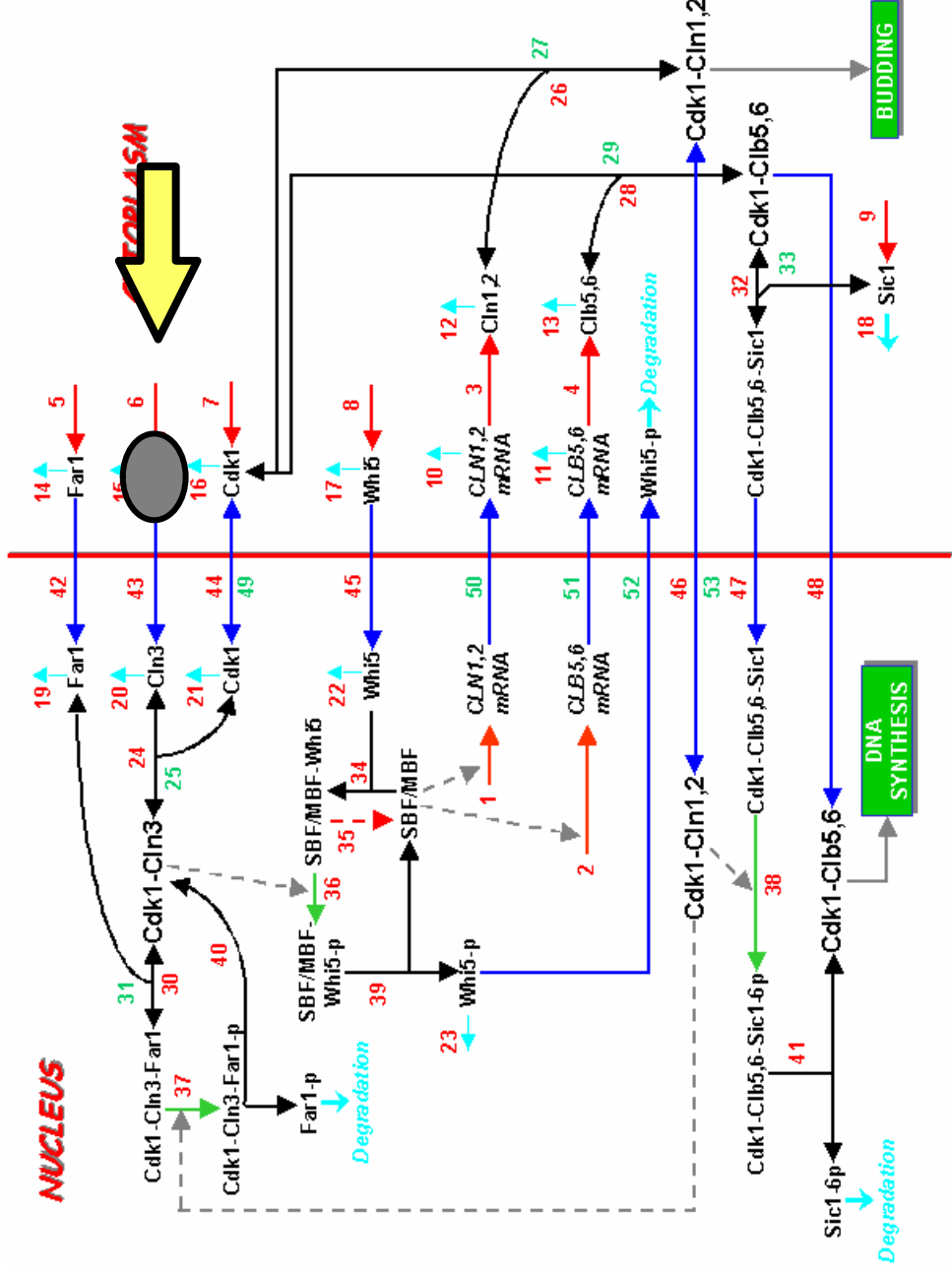
- Simulated dynamics of Sic1
- Simulated dynamics of Clb5

- Experimental dynamics of Sic1
- Experimental dynamics of Clb5



Cdk1 - Clb5,6 nuc

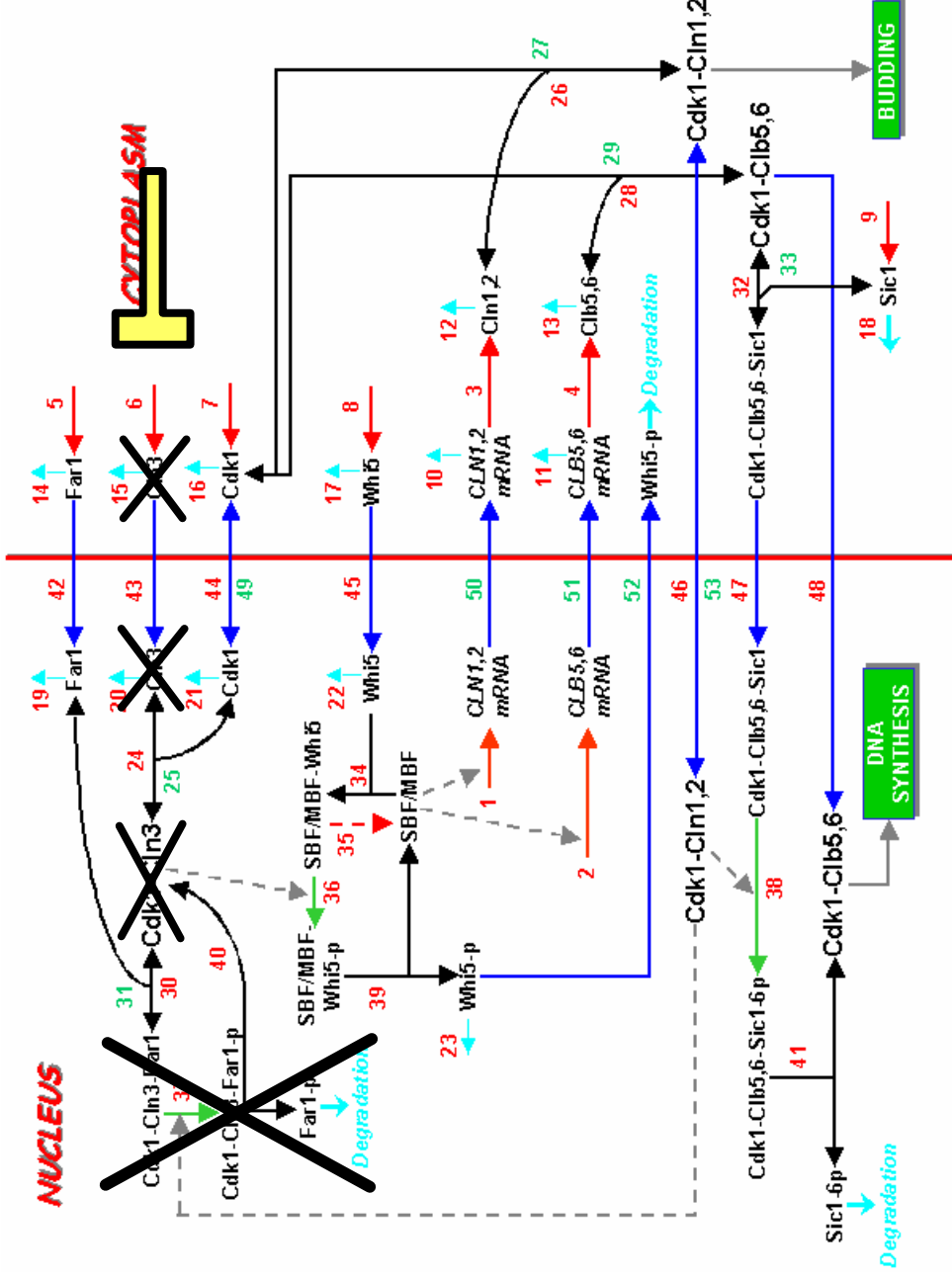
Model Validation





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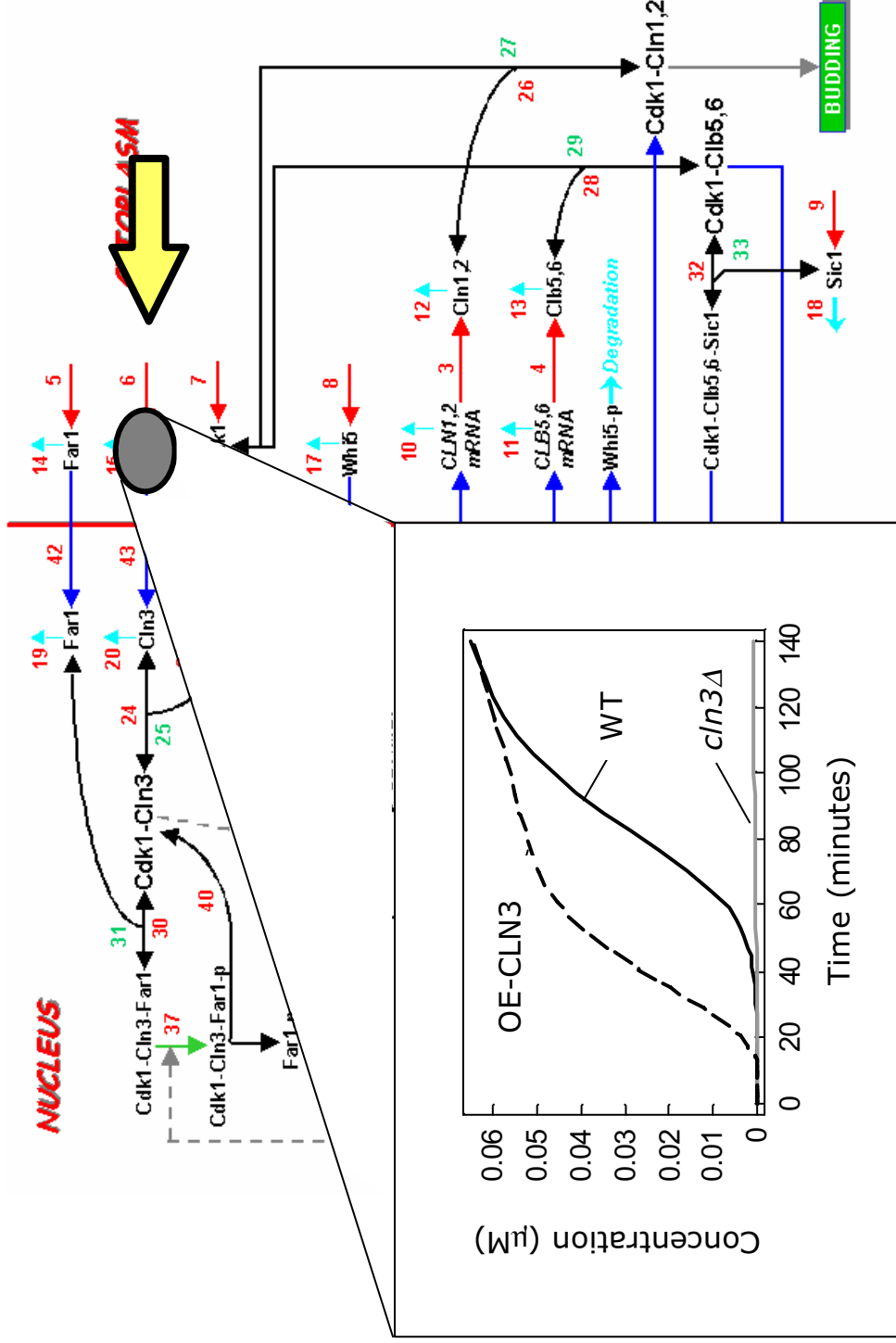
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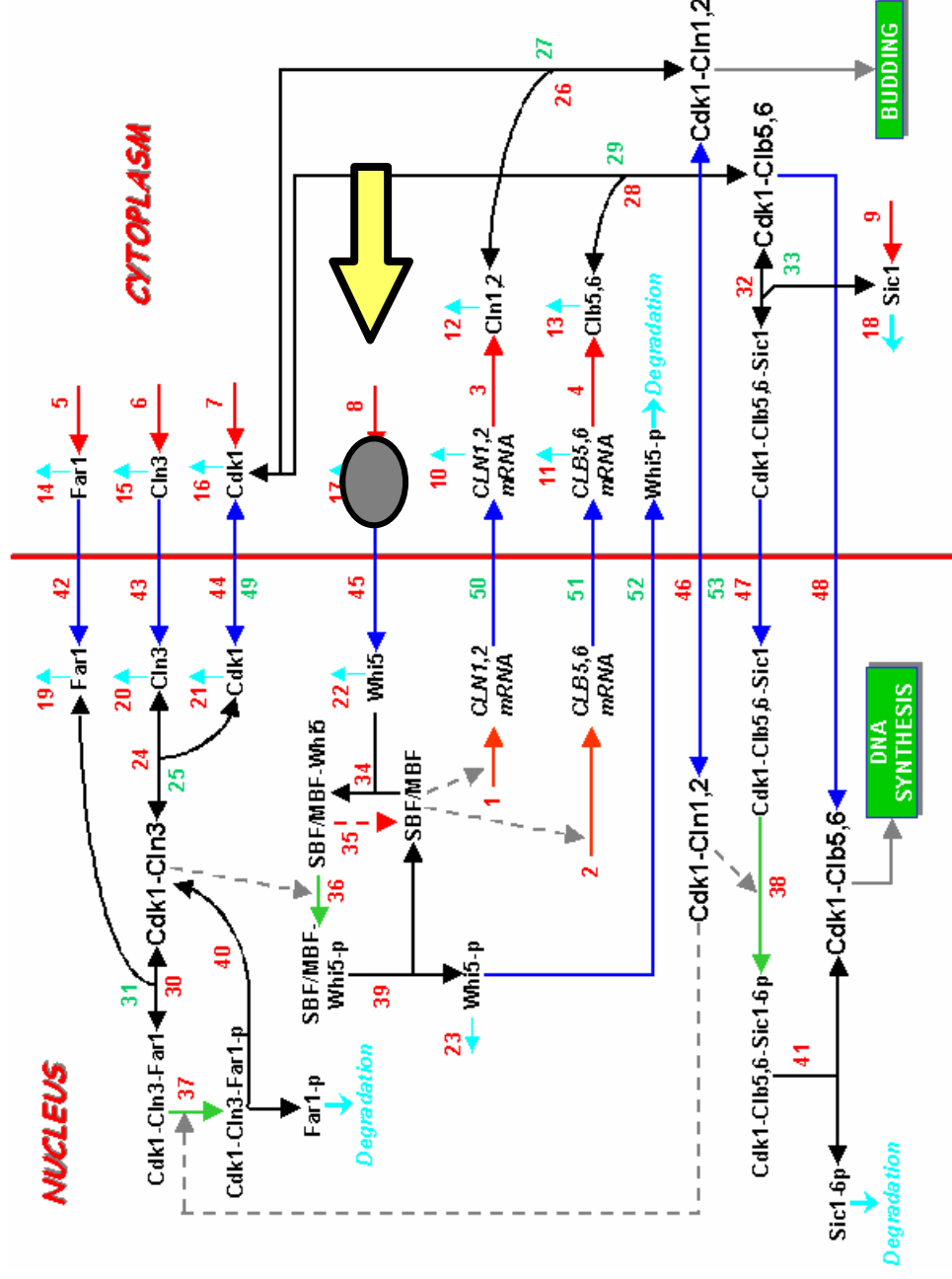
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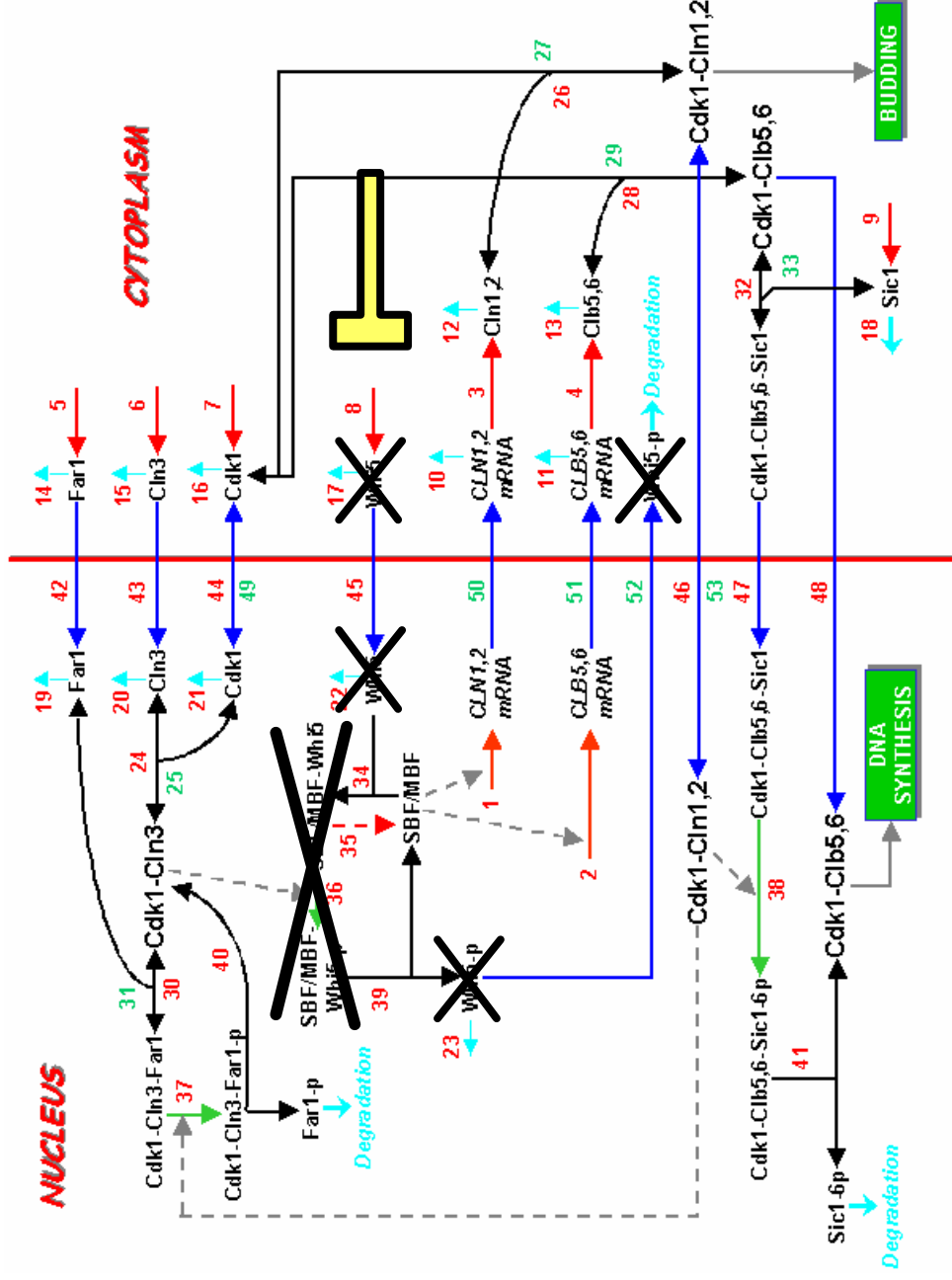
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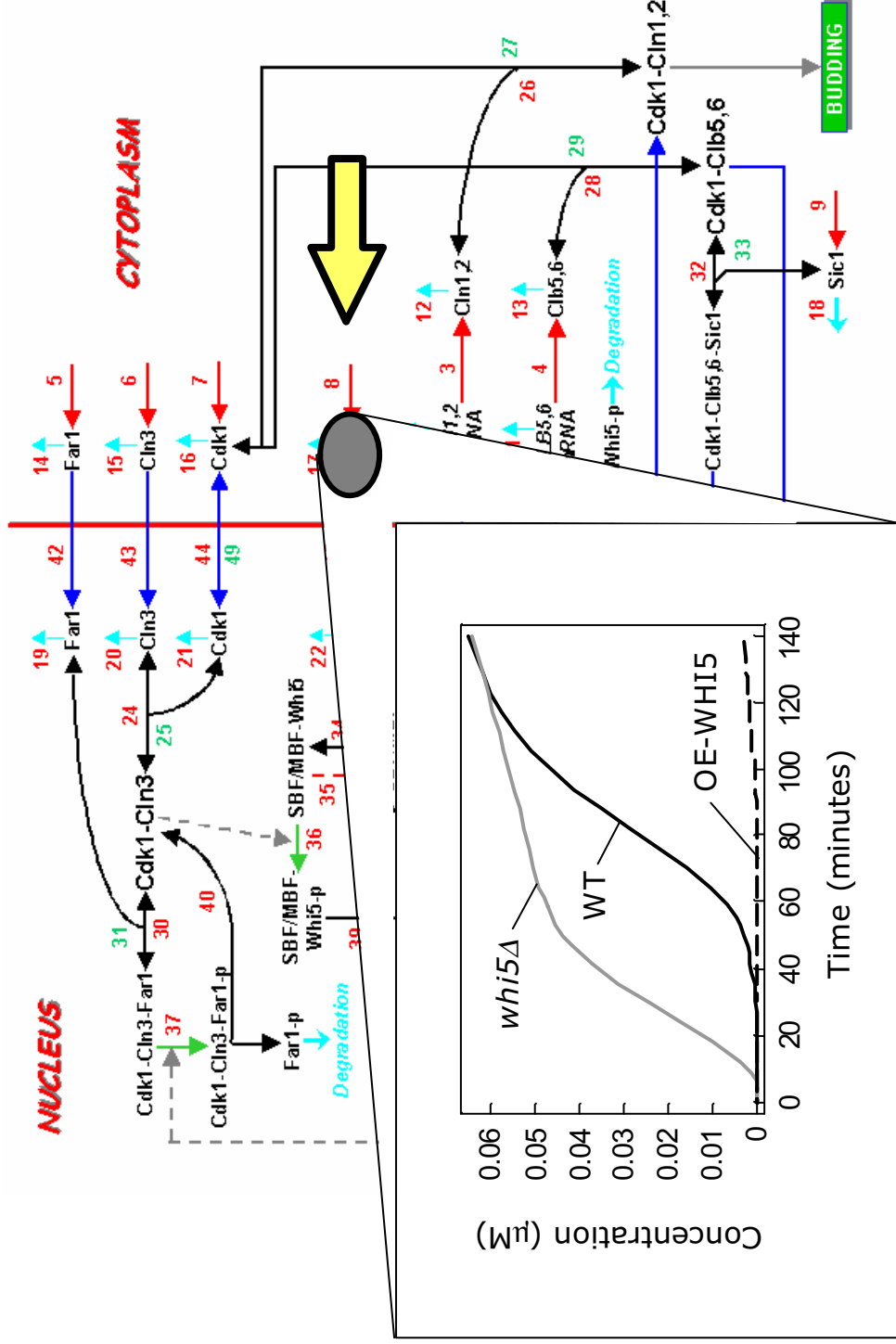
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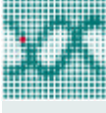




Model Validation

Cdk1-Cln3/6 nuc

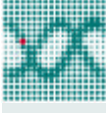




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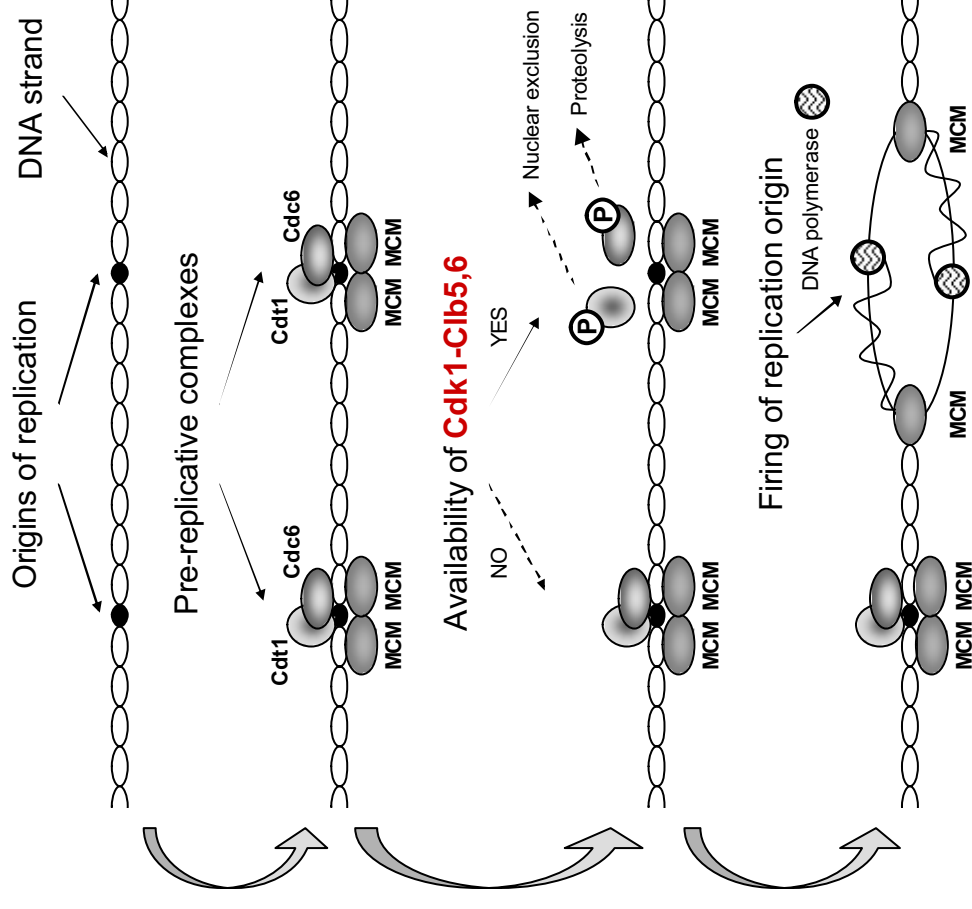
– Combined Deletion Mutants –

<i>cdk1</i> Δ	<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ <i>cln3</i> Δ	OE-SIC1 and stabilized
<i>clb5</i> Δ <i>clb6</i> Δ <i>cdk1</i> Δ	<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ <i>cln3</i> Δ OE-CDK1	OE-SIC1 OE-CLN2
<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ <i>clb5</i> Δ <i>clb6</i> Δ	<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ <i>cln3</i> Δ OE-CLN2	<i>sbf</i> Δ <i>mbf</i> Δ
CLB5 stabilized	<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ <i>cln3</i> Δ CLN2 stabilized	<i>sbf</i> Δ <i>mbf</i> Δ OE-CLN2
OE-CLB5 and stabilized	<i>cln3</i> Δ OE-WHI5	OE-SBF
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<i>cln1</i> Δ <i>cln2</i> Δ OE-CLN2	<i>far1</i> Δ <i>sic1</i> Δ	OE-MBF



Setting of the Critical Cell Size

→ Since P_S is defined as the protein content of cells that enter S phase, we correlate the concentration of $Cdk1-Clb5,6_{nuc}$ with the onset of DNA replication

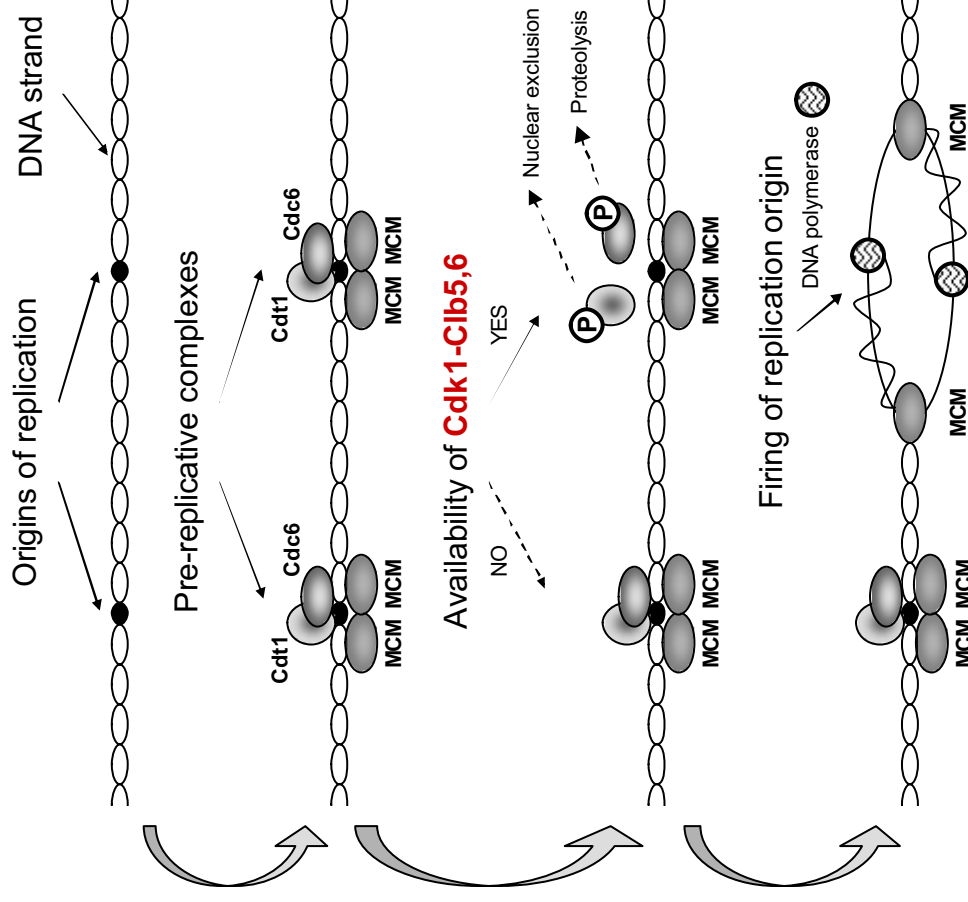
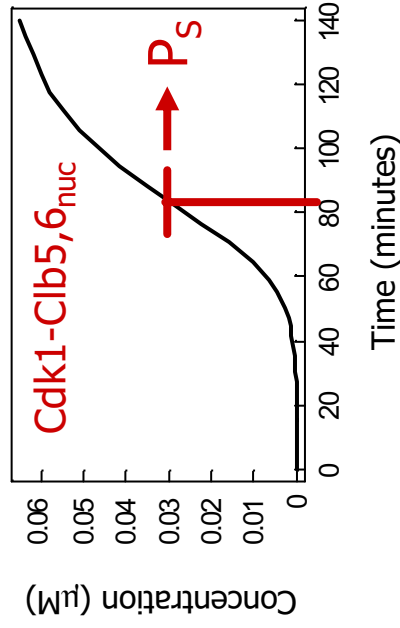




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→ P_S is estimated as the value of the cell size at the time when 50 % of replication origins have fired

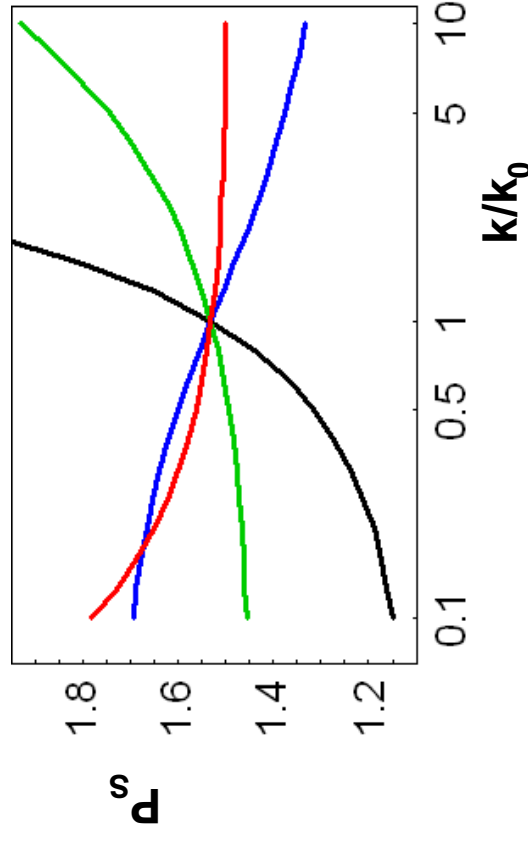




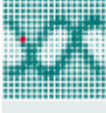
Parameters Influence on the P_S Value

Relevant genotype	Medium	Estimated P_S
Wild type	glucose	1.54
<i>cln3Δ</i>	glucose	–
OE-CLN3	glucose	1.26
<i>far1Δ</i>	glucose	1.44
OE-FAR1 2X	glucose	1.63
<i>whi5Δ</i>	glucose	1.20
OE-WHI5	glucose	3.31
<i>sic1Δ</i>	glucose	6.57
OE-SIC1	glucose	1.50
Wild type	ethanol	1.20
OE-FAR1 10X	ethanol	1.42

→ P_S is an emergent property of the G_1 to S network, and its value strongly depends on growth rate



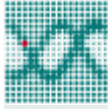
- Growth rate
- Far1 level
- Cln3 level
- Binding constant for the Cdk1-Cln5,6/Sic1 complex formation



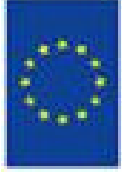
Conclusions

- The model of the G_1/S transition allows for a testable representation of experimental knowledge
- The model of the G_1/S transition allows to predict experimental behaviors revealing regulatory properties of cellular network

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