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MRG-Grammar: Massive Reverse Genomics to Decipher Gene Regulatory Grammar

Make Do and Mend is an artwork that has been created as part of the artist residency in the MRG-Grammar consortium, one of the European Union Horizon 2020 FET/Open Future and Emerging Technologies projects. FET Open supports the early-stages of the science and technology research and innovation around new ideas towards radically new future technologies.

The MRG-Grammar project is developing a new strategy for deciphering the regulatory rules of gene regulation using Synthetic Biology, DNA synthesis technologies and high-throughput analysis to generate new types of biological datasets that systematically explore all possible regulatory landscapes. It aims to lead to a profoundly deeper understanding of the origins of many diseases. The project aims to produce models that will serve as a reference in designing and implementing accurate and more controllable synthetic biology devices, with applications in fuel production, healthcare and other industrial fields.

Resource:
https://www.mrg-grammar.eu/
THE RESEARCH GOAL AS SEEN BY THE SCIENTIST

The goal of the research of MRG-Grammar explained by the scientist Sharon Alon

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJE4YzoXug0
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AS SEEN BY THE ARTIST

The goal of the research of MRG-Grammar explained by the artist Anna Dumitriu

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-UY9nMDH08w
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**Genome editing** are techniques of genetic engineering in which DNA is inserted, deleted or replaced in the genome of a living organism using engineered nucleases also called «molecular scissors.»

A nuclease is an enzyme that can break or cut the DNA double-strand at specific location. Beyond the text editing metaphor that makes it look as easy to do as a «cut and paste» on a computer, it remains a whole long complex process.

**CRISPR/Cas9** is a new technique of «molecular scissors » that have been discovered in 2012 and that Anna Dumitriu used to create the artwork *Make Do and Mend.*

Resource:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CRISPR
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cas9

Resource:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Genome_editing
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