

Molecular basis of infrared detection by snakes



По мотивам:

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Кто?

Гремучие змейки (ямкоголовые) *Crotalinae*



Питончики *Pythonidae*



Удавчики *Boidae*

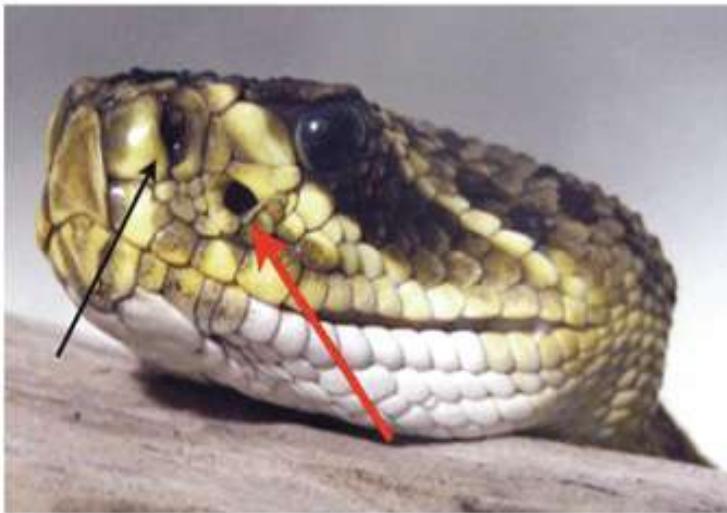


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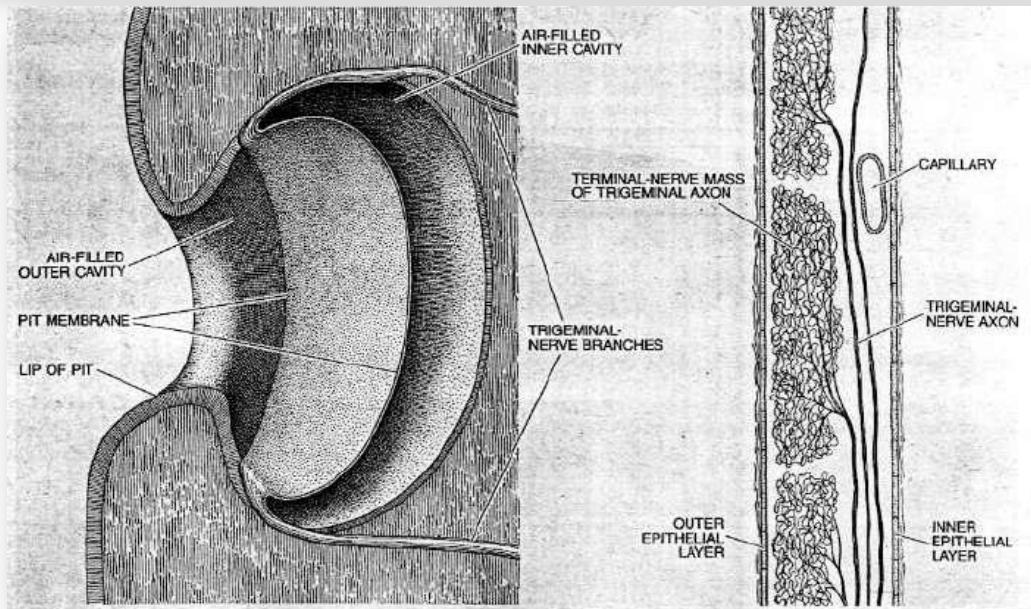
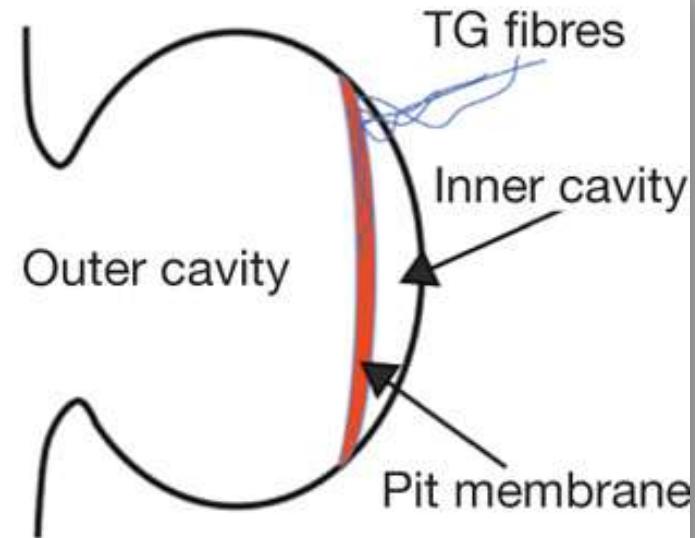
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Anatomy of the pit organ

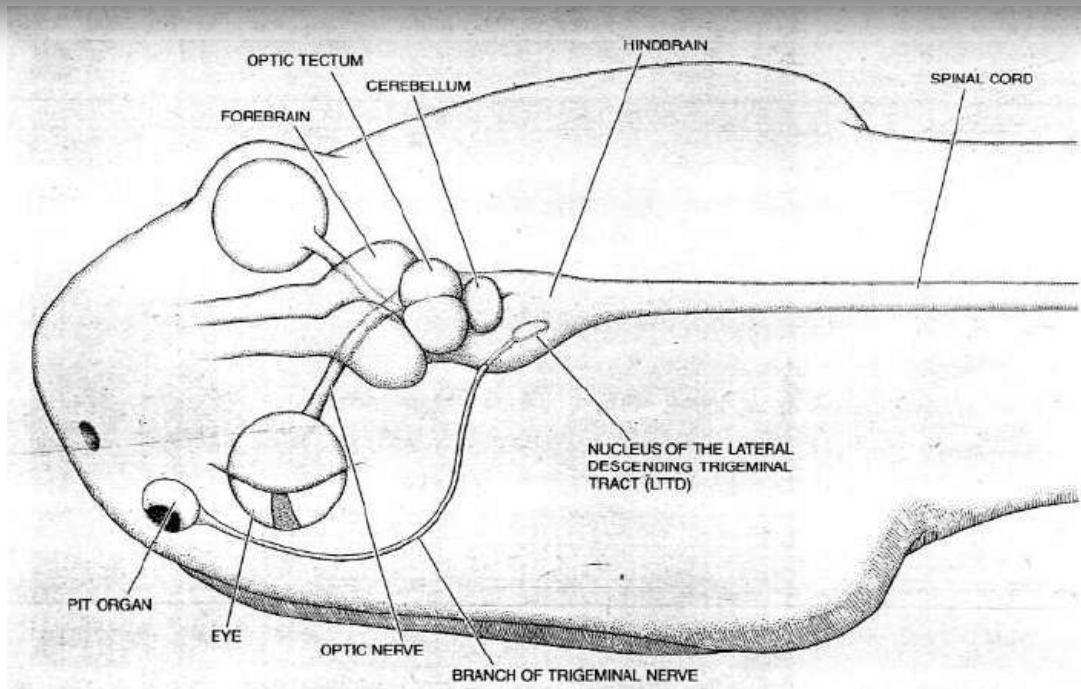
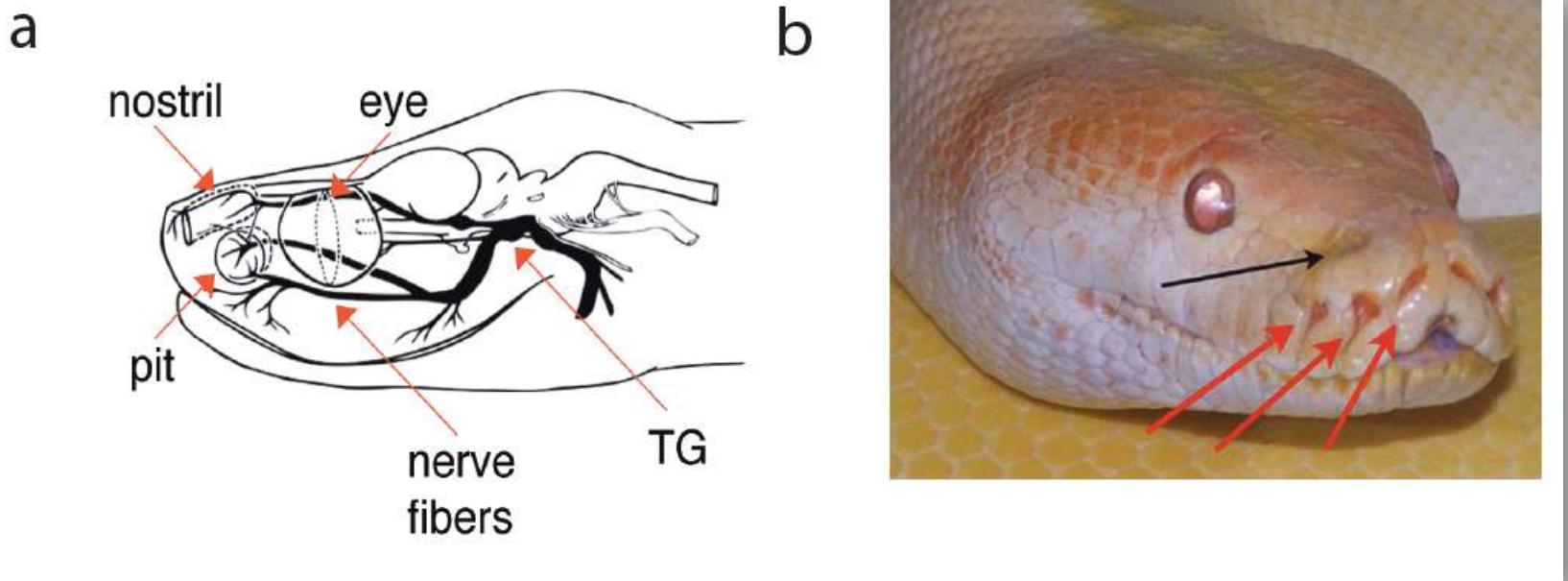
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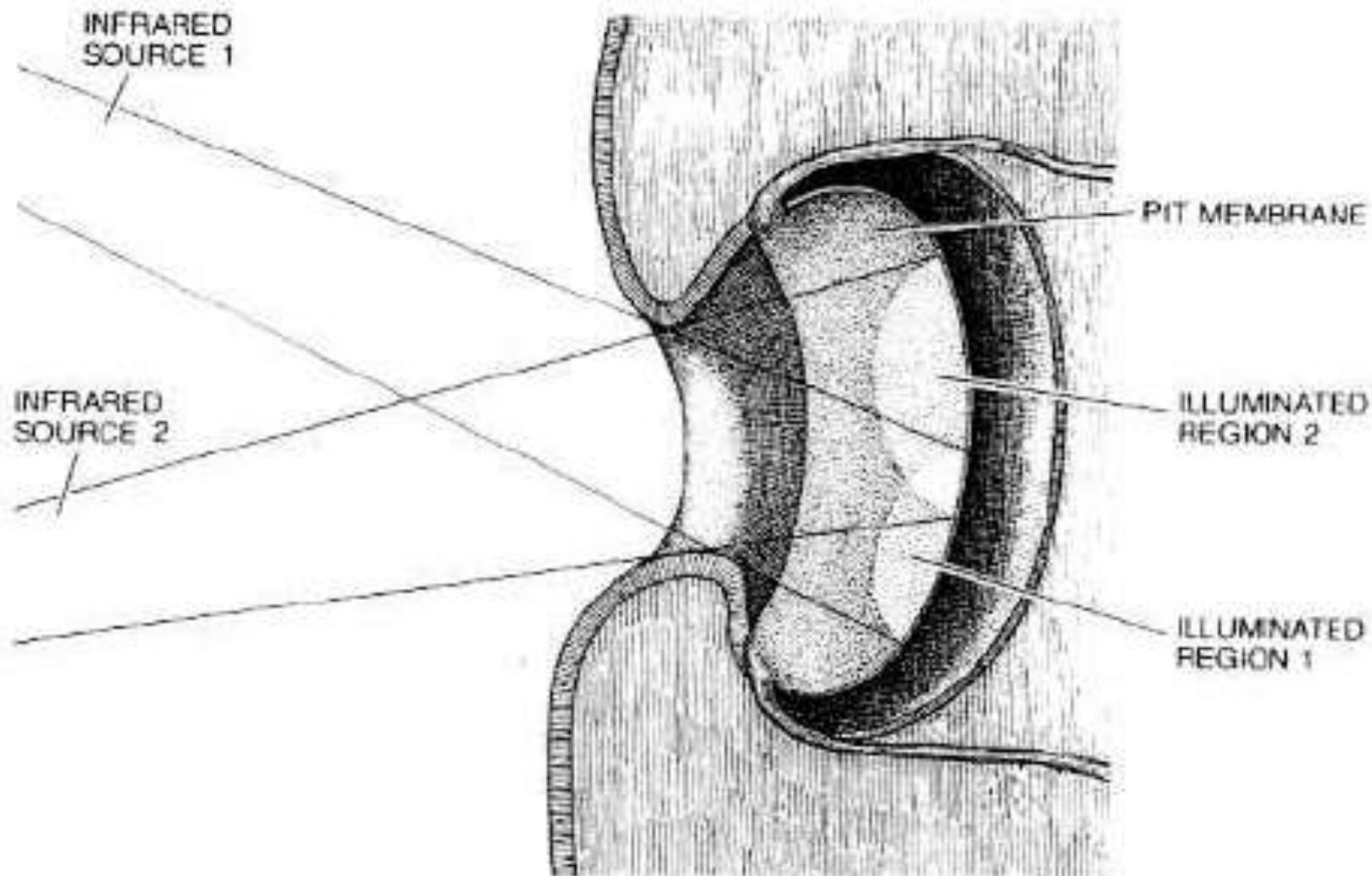
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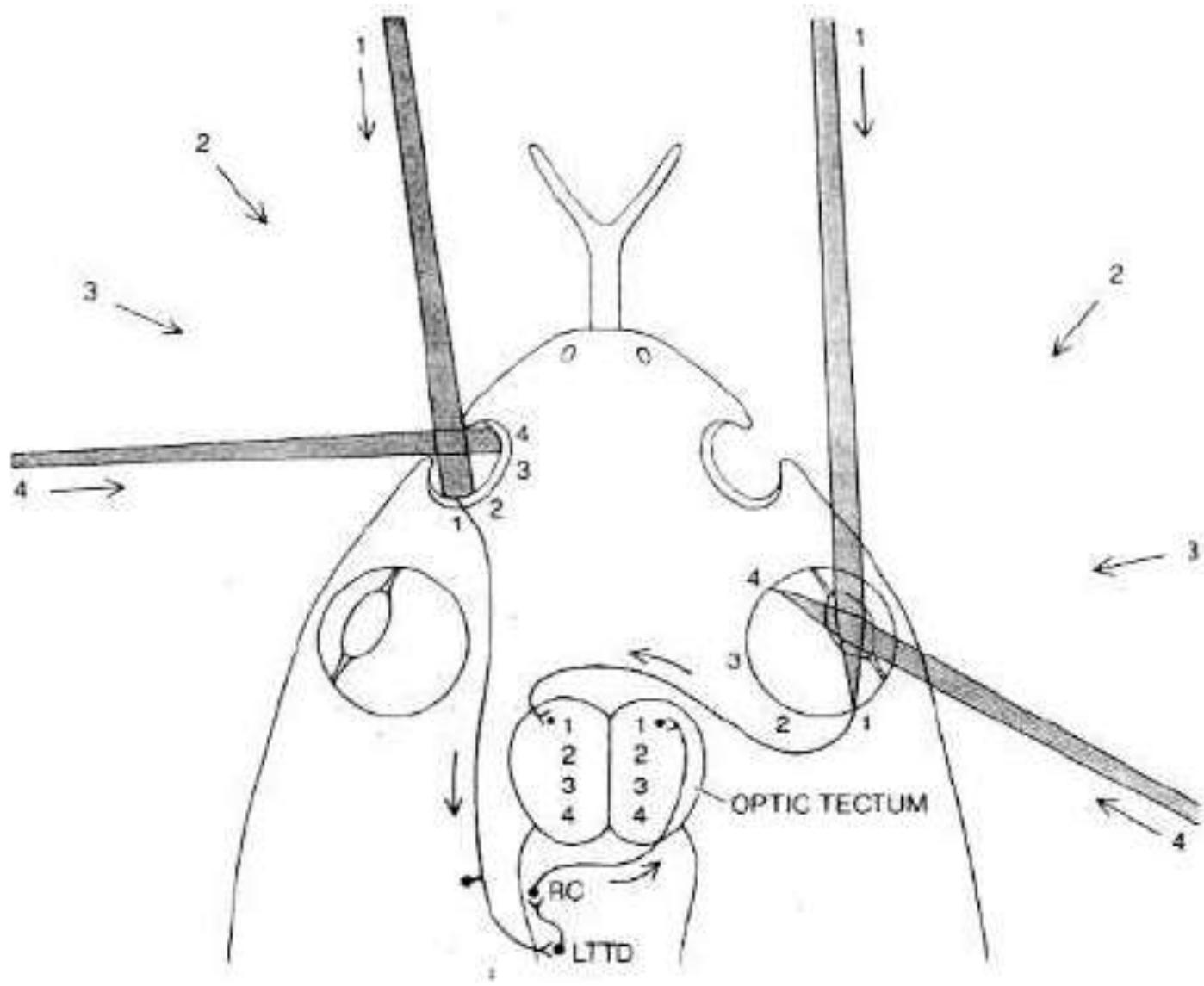


Nerve pathways associated with the infrared sensory system

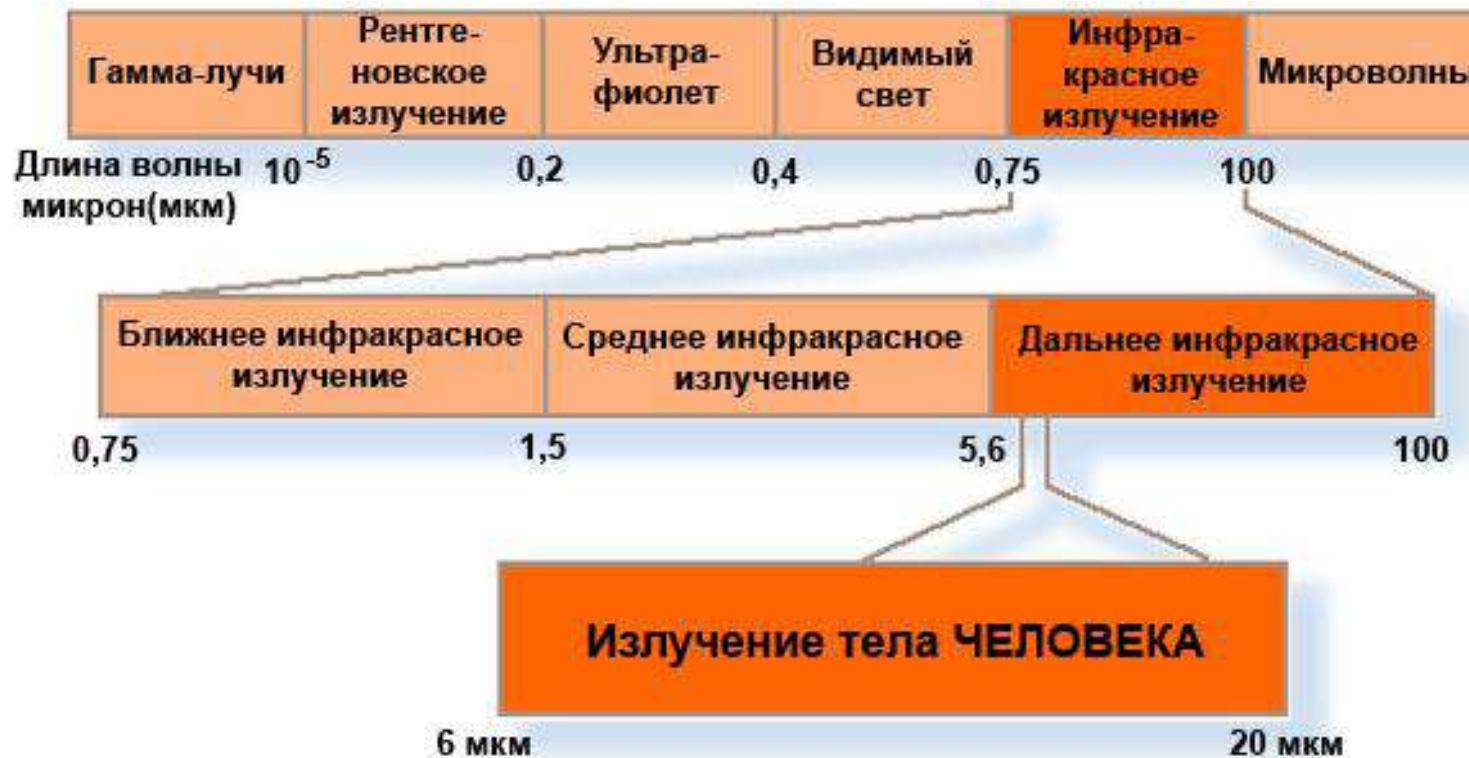


Принцип





Несколько слов об ЭТОМ

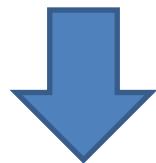


Идея1:

Photons or Heat

There are NO opsin-like sequences in TG
of any snake species examined

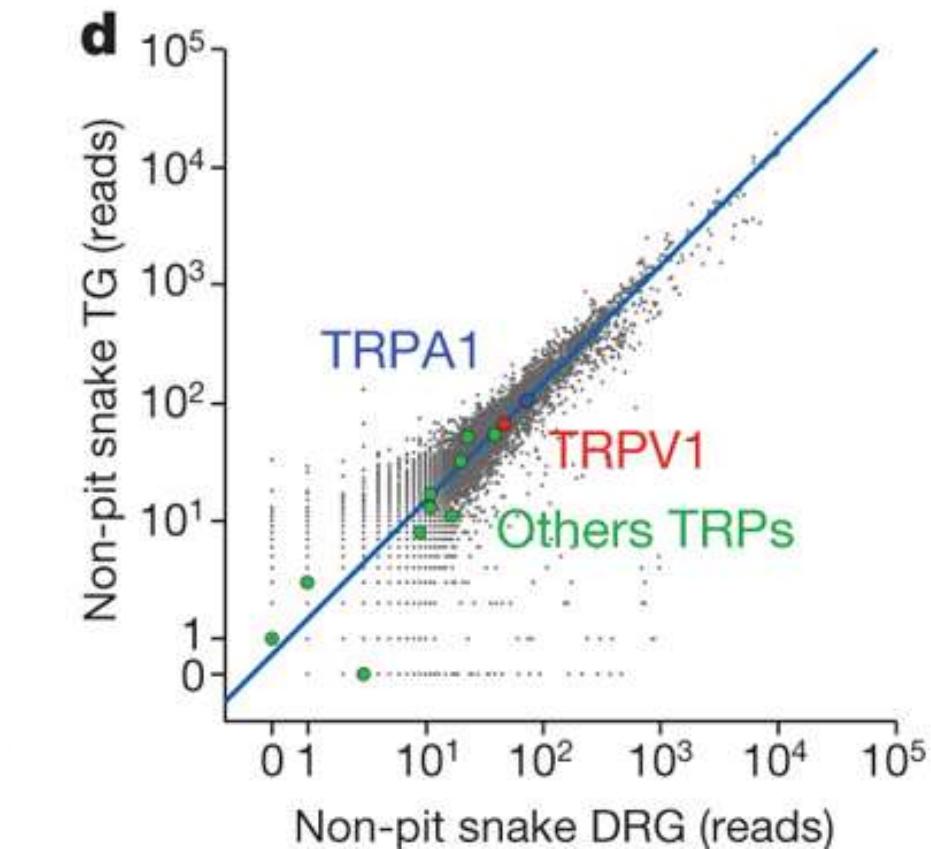
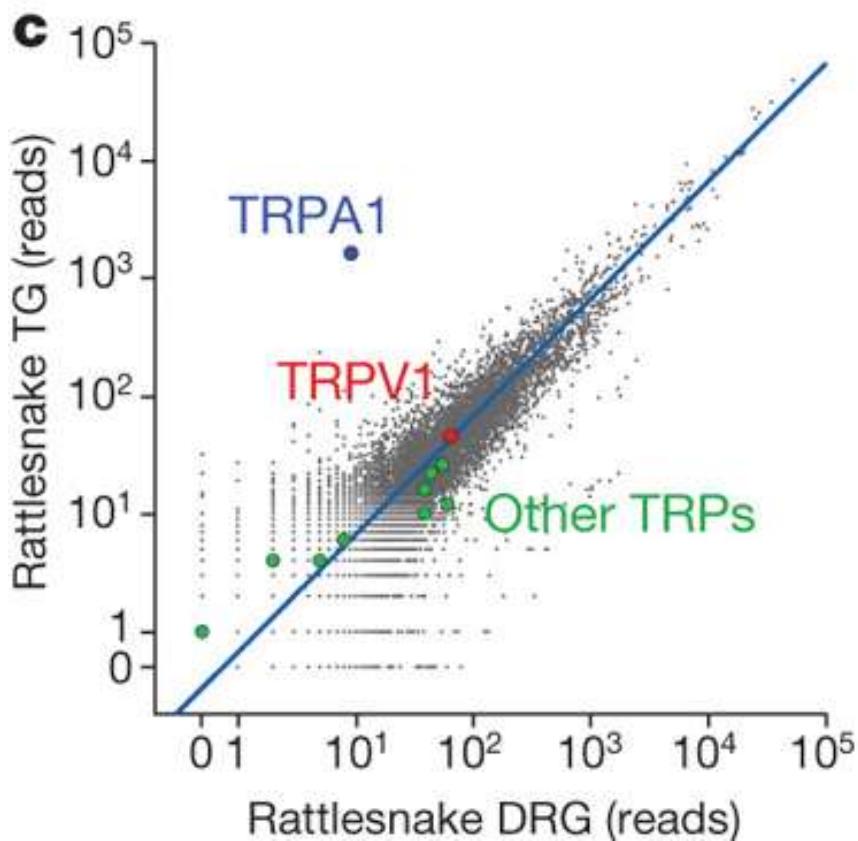
Heat-activated membrane currents in TG
have been described



Heat

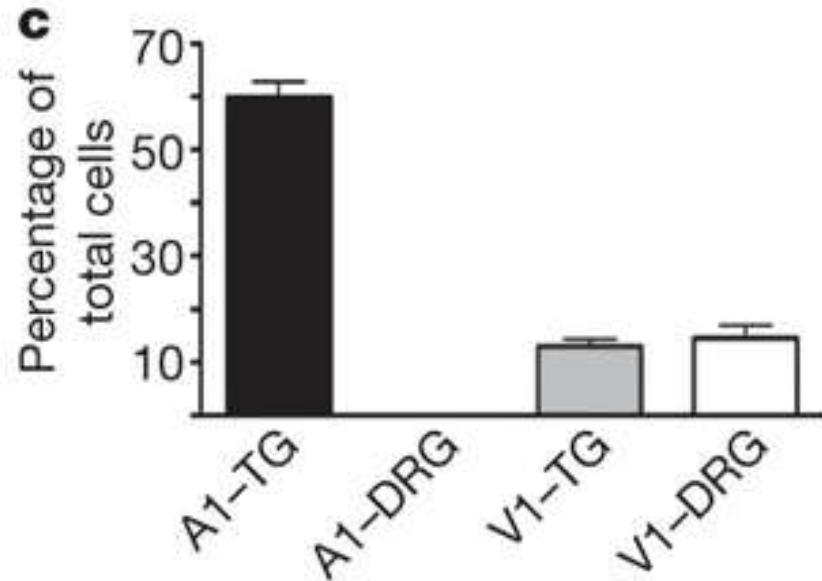
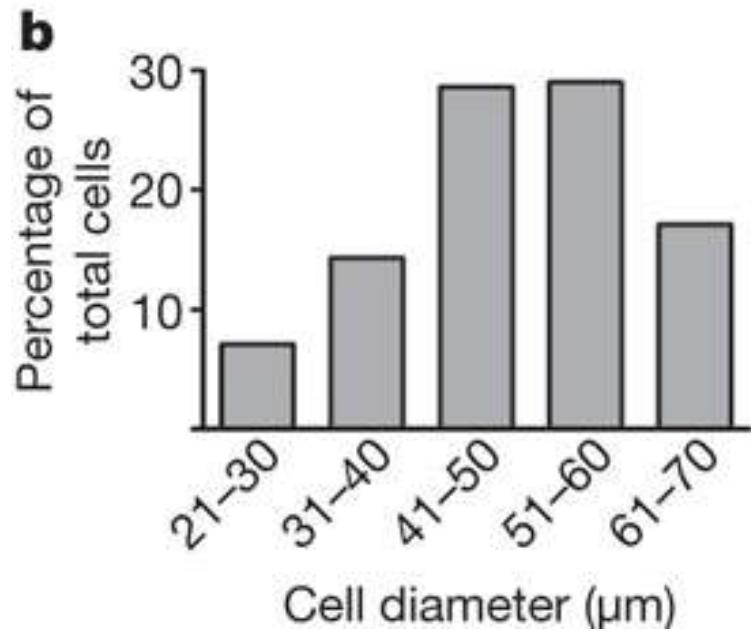
Идея2:

Сравним gene expression в TG и DRG



TRPA1 в 400 раз больше в TG чем в DRG
всего остального примерно поровну. *Ничё се повезло, а!*

Копаем дальше:

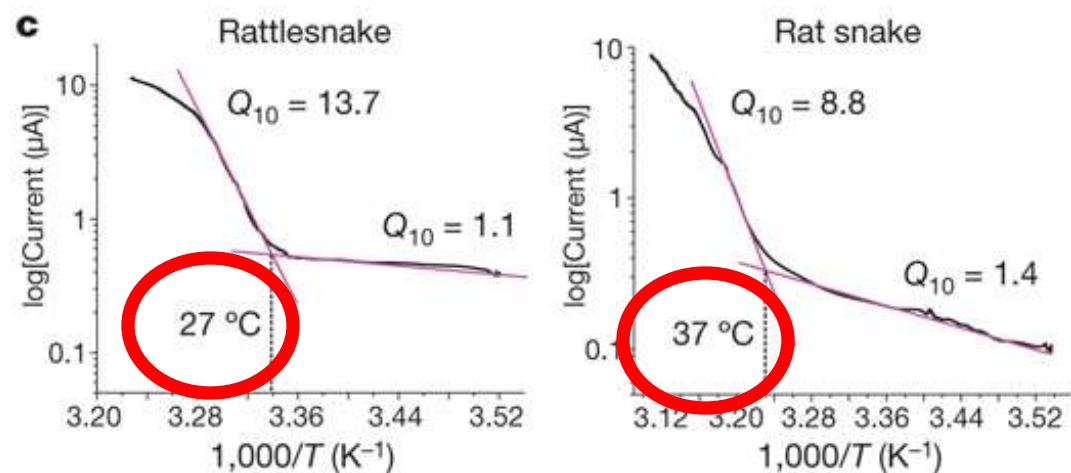
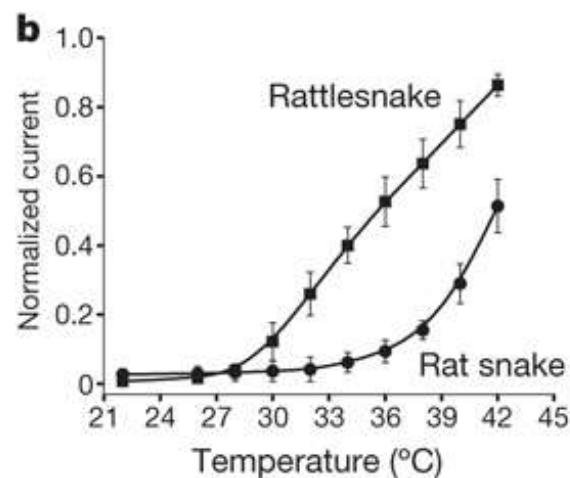
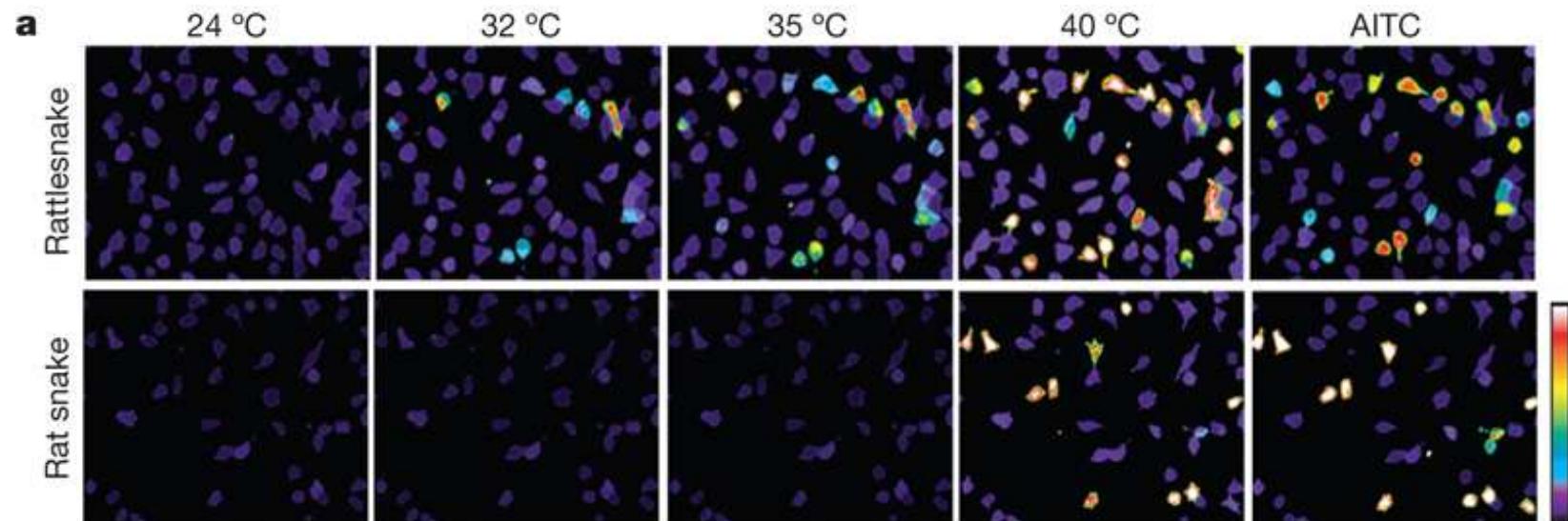


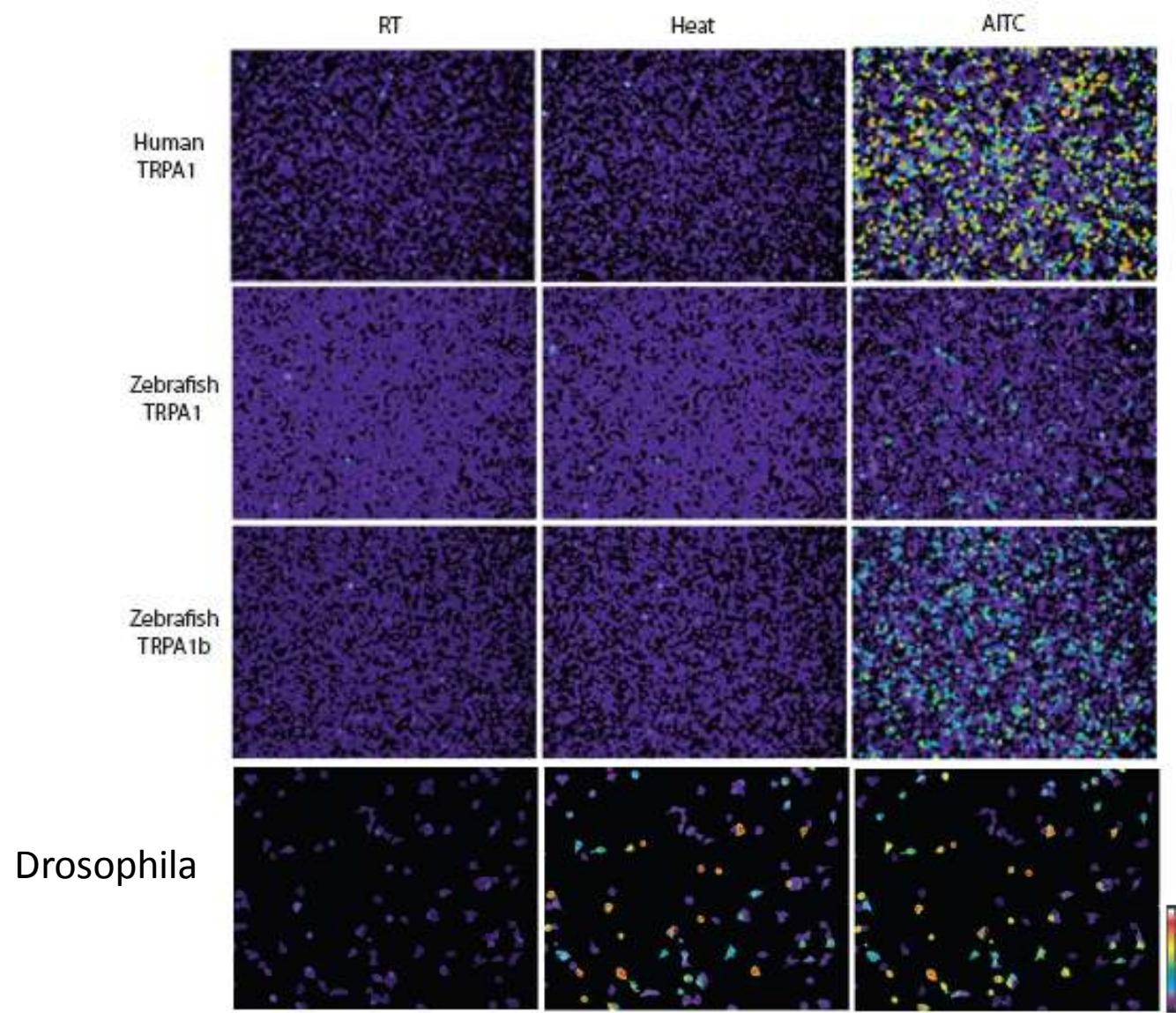
TRPA1 in mammals ~ **25%** of neurones (TG or DRG)

rattlesnake ~ **60%** of TG neurones (0 in DRG)

Snake TRPA1 is a heat-activated channel

In HEK





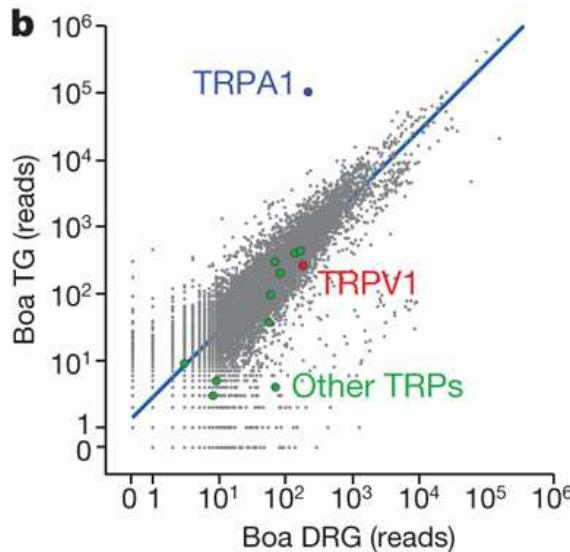
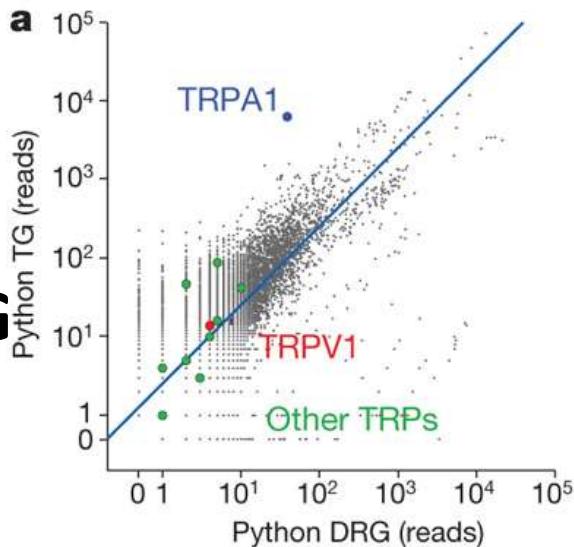
Ancient snakes use TRPA1 to sense infrared radiation

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> 30 млн лет

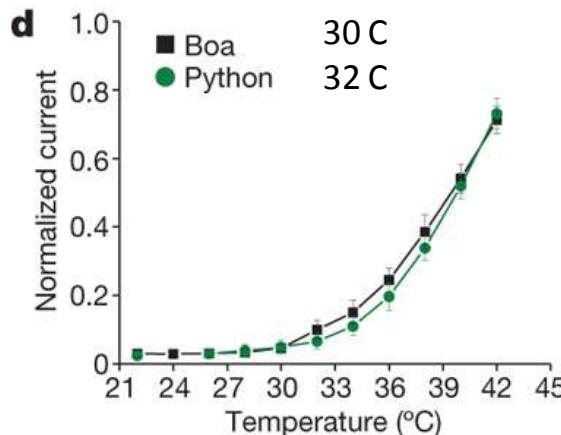
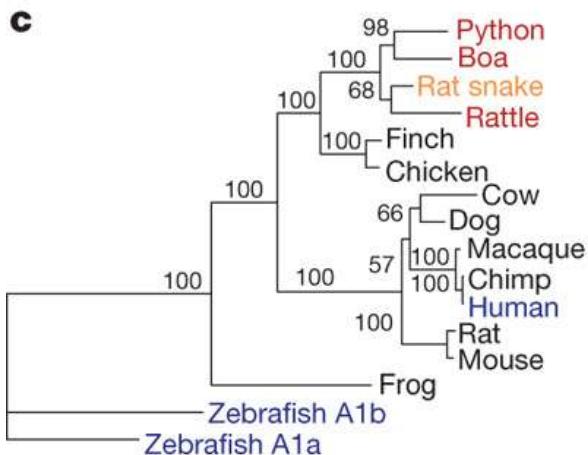
в 65 раз

TG > DRG



в 170 раз

TG > DRG



Непонятка:

"The pit sensory system is clearly functional with sensory ending temperatures well below the reported 28 °C threshold,"

Snakes can detect a human hand better in a refrigerated chamber than at room temperature

A close-up photograph of a red tree python (Morelia spilota) in a natural setting. The snake's body is coiled around a thick, textured green branch. Its head is raised, and its mouth is wide open, revealing a pink tongue and sharp white teeth. The snake's scales are a vibrant reddish-orange color, dotted with numerous small, irregular white spots and larger, more distinct blue-grey flecks. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting a dense forest environment.

Merci beaucoup!