

## Molecular basis of infrared detection by snakes



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# Кто?

Гремучие змейки (ямкоголовые) *Crotalinae*



Питончики *Pithonidae*



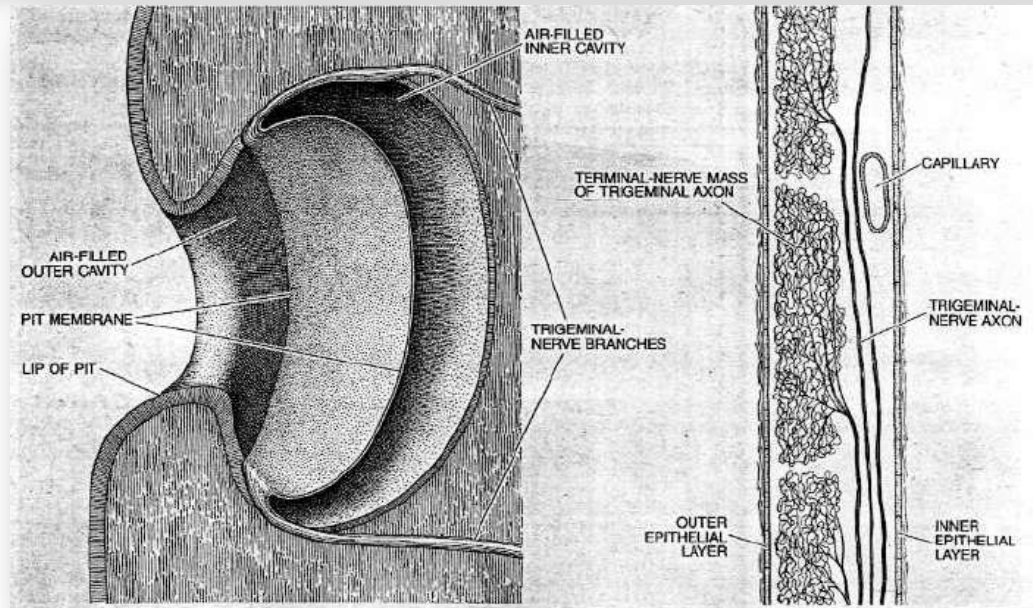
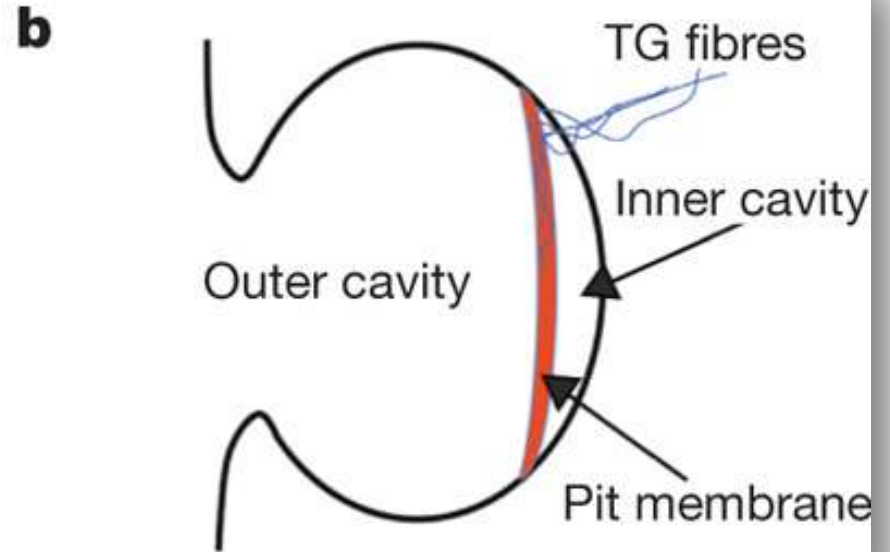
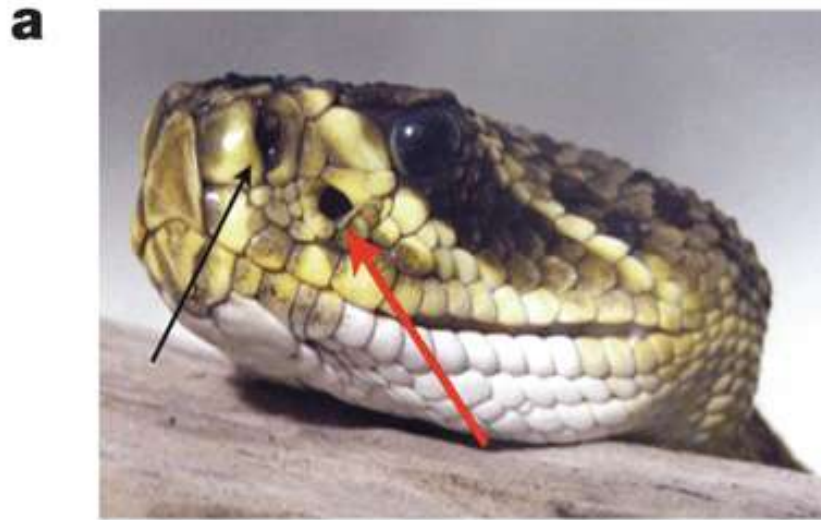
Удавчики *Boidae*



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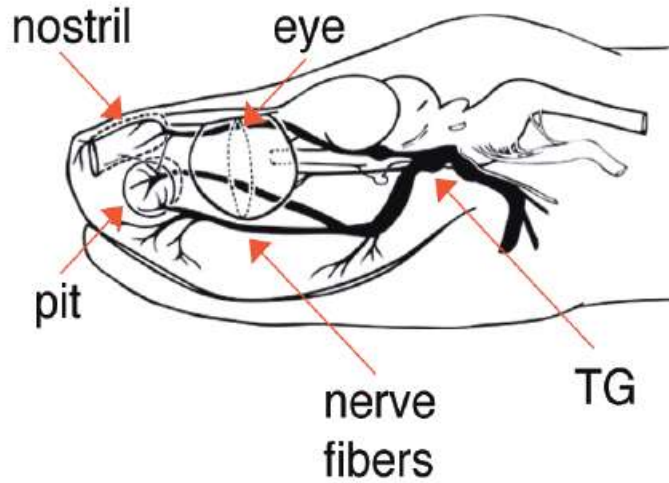
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# Anatomy of the pit organ

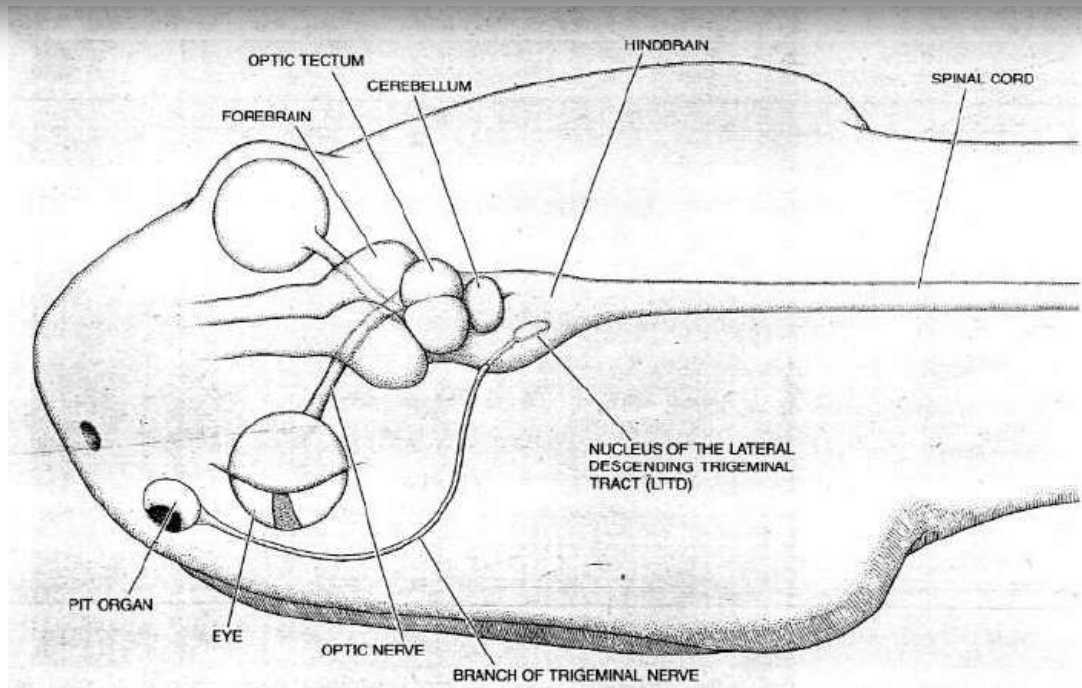
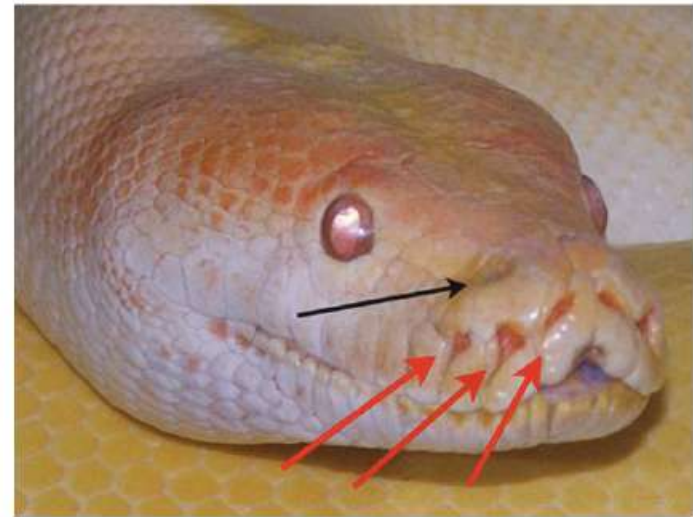


# Nerve pathways associated with the infrared sensory system

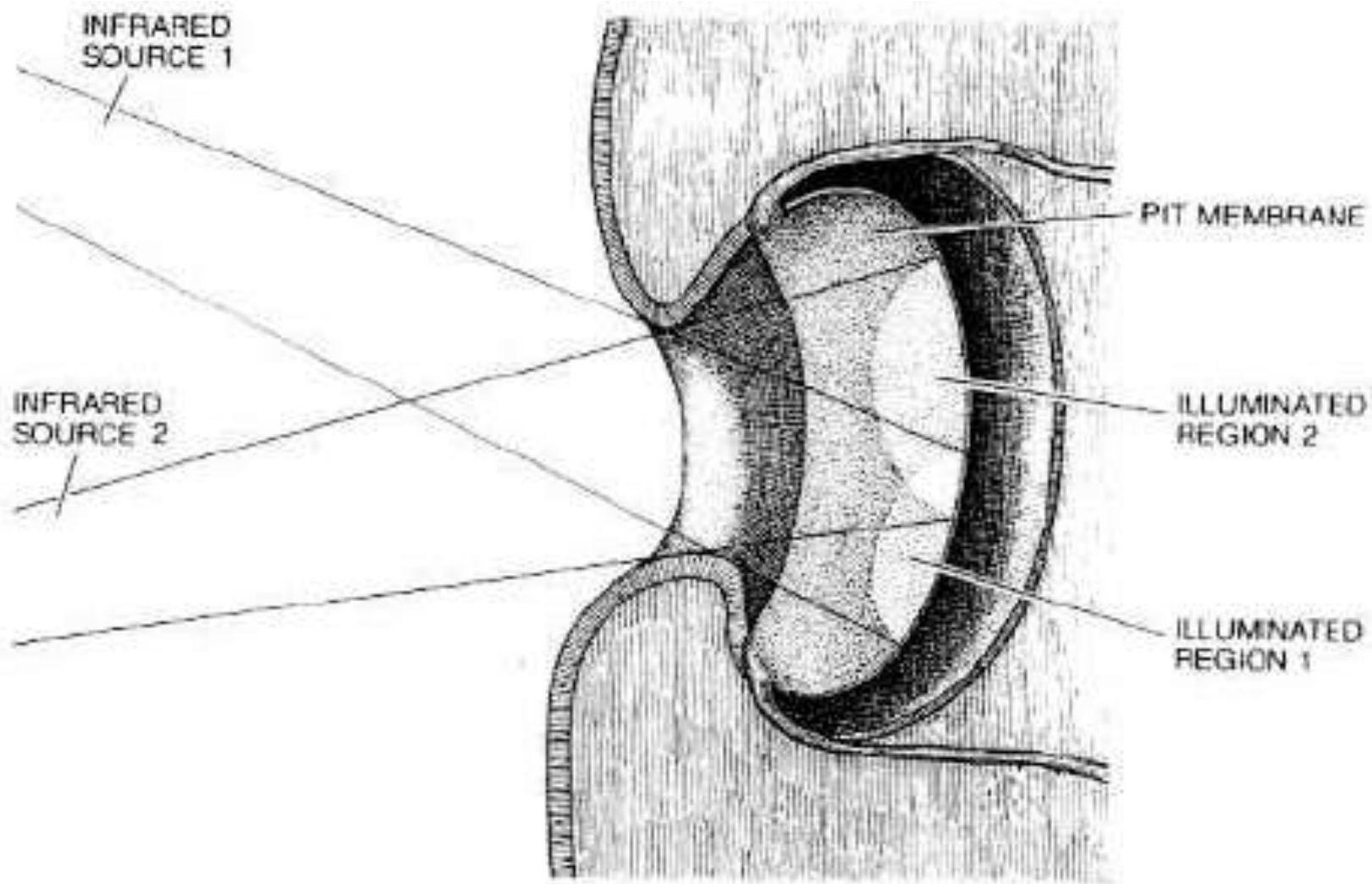
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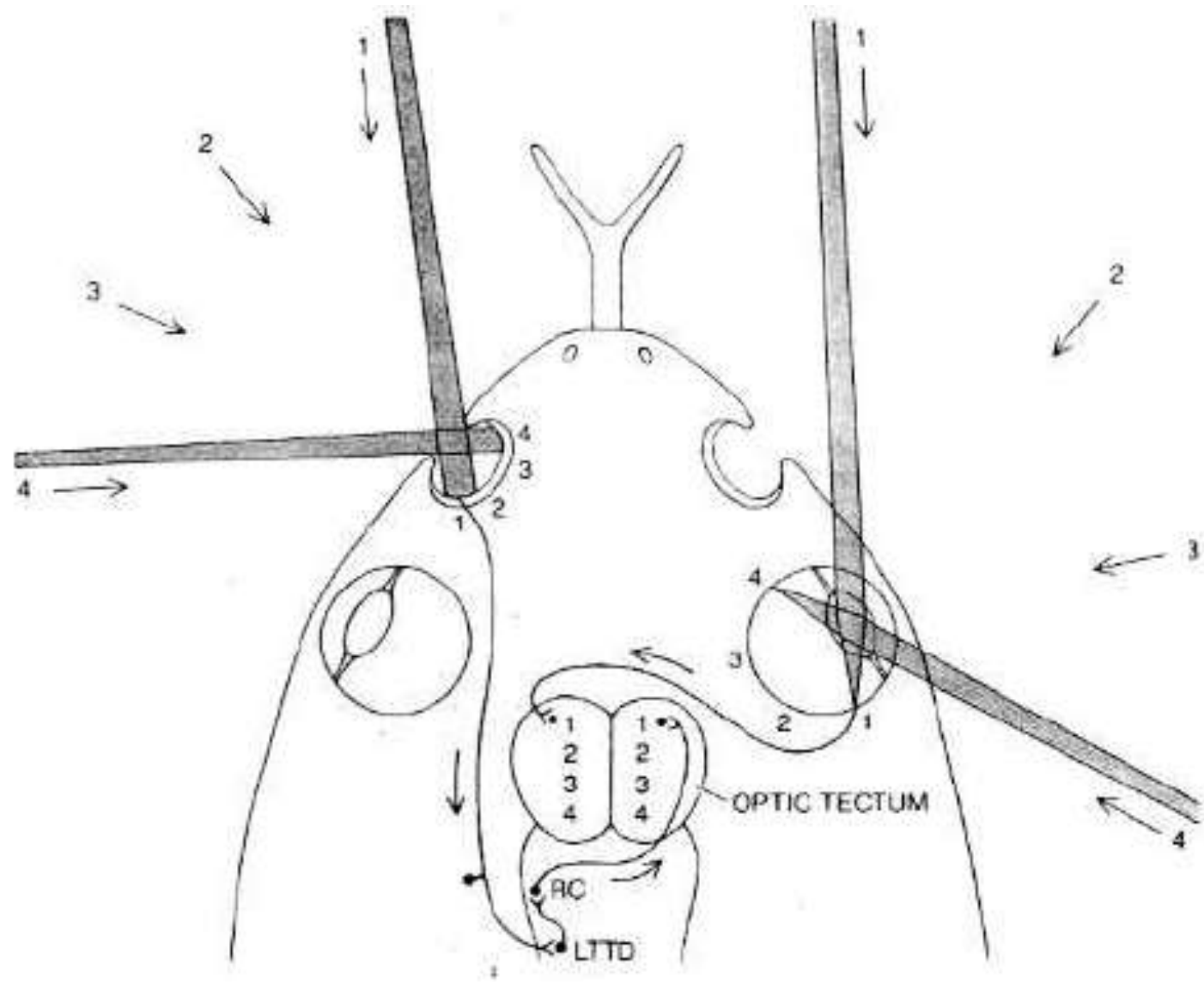


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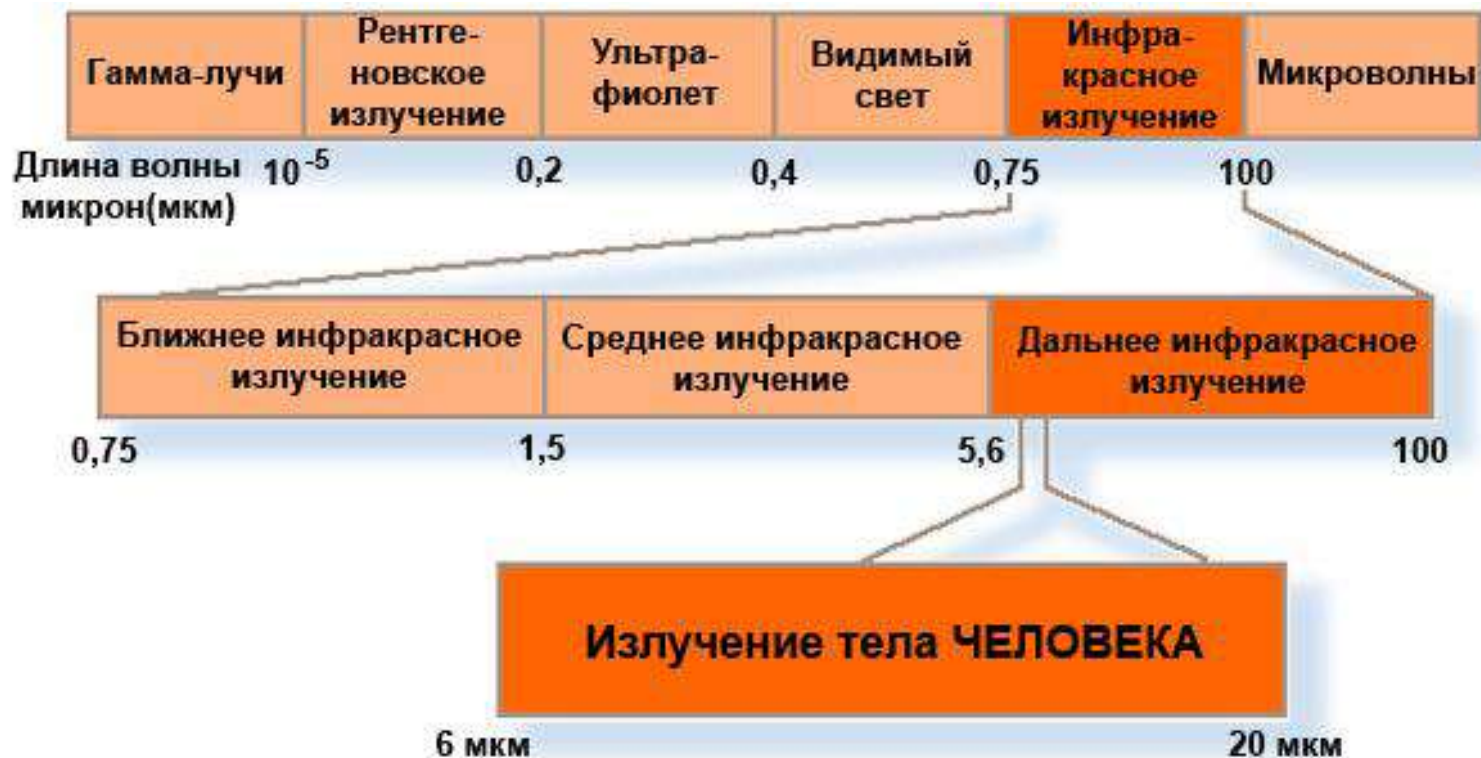


# Принцип





# Несколько слов об ЭТОМ





Идея1:

# Photons or Heat

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

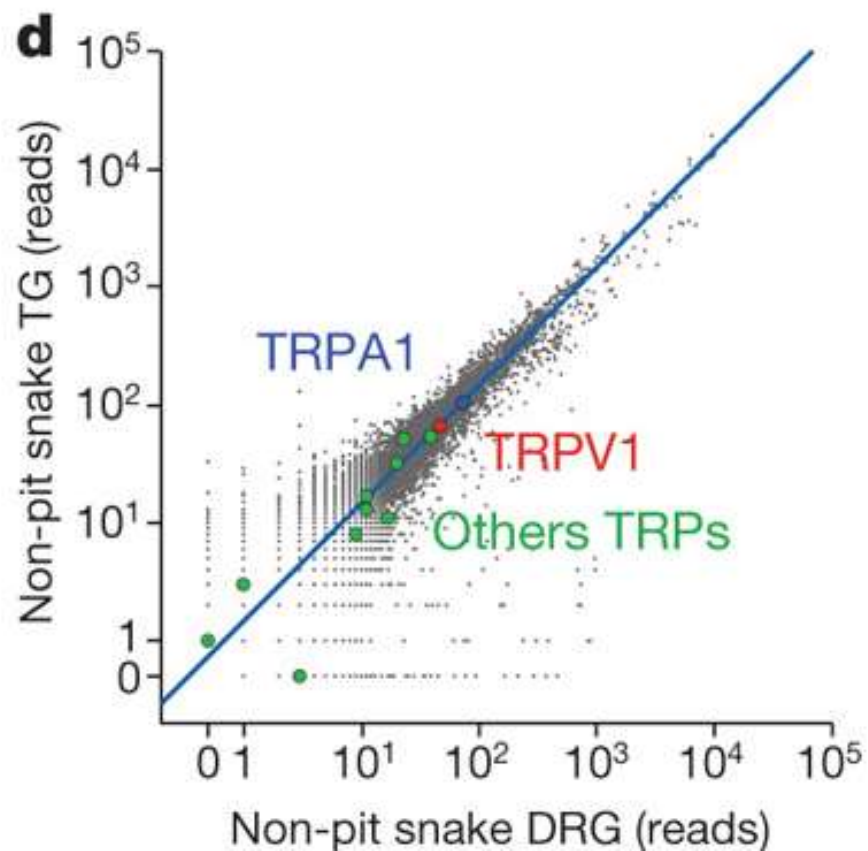
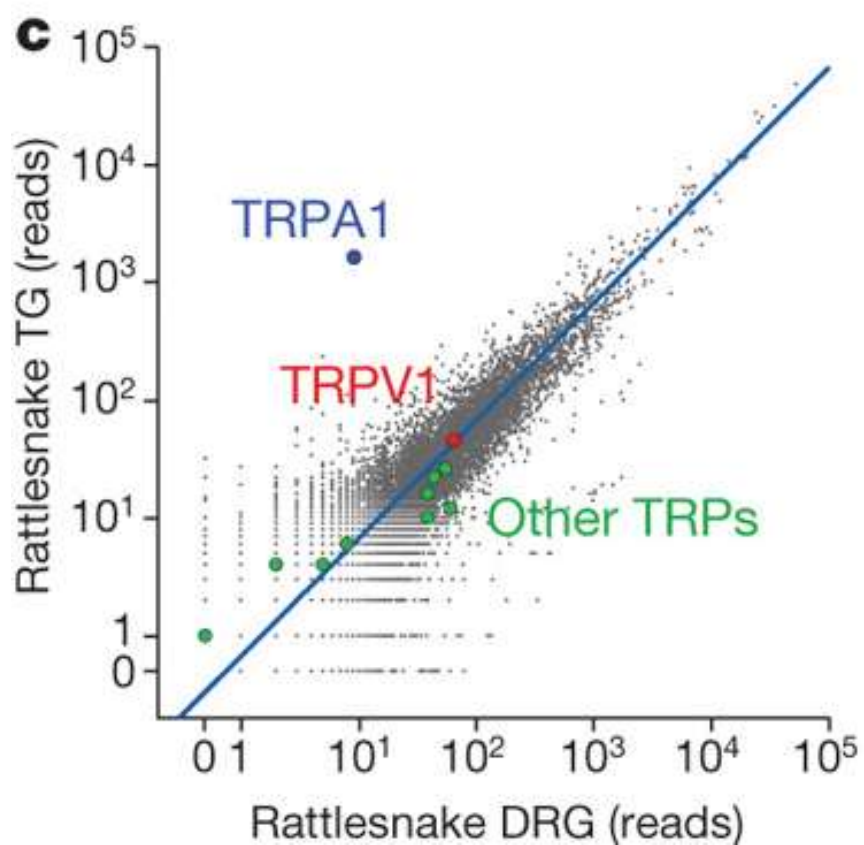
Heat-activated membrane currents in TG have been described



# Heat

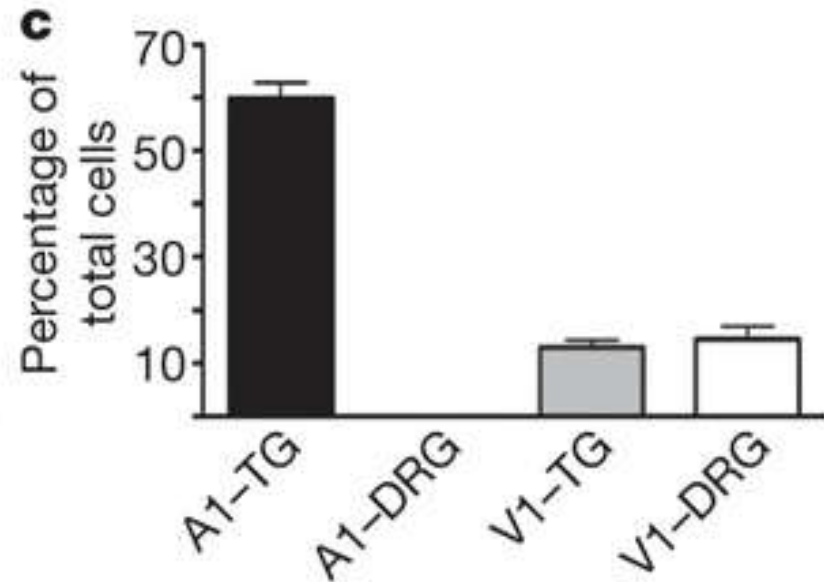
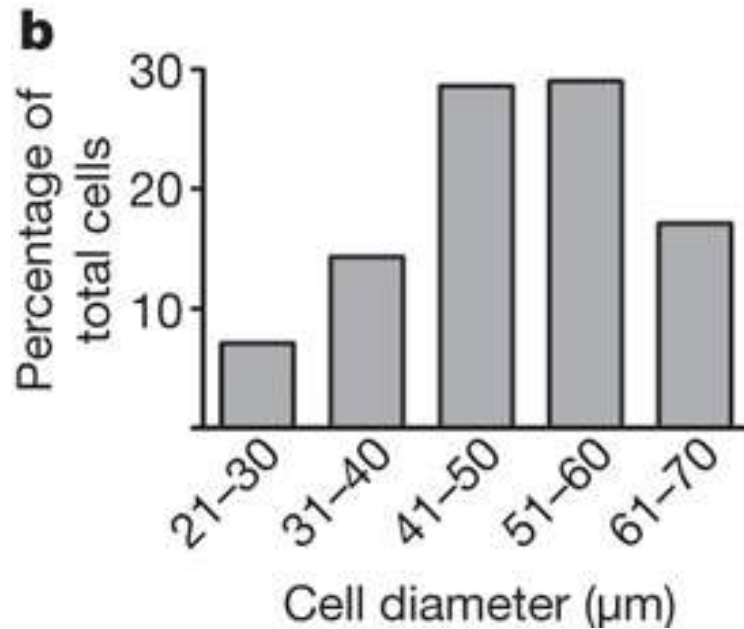
## Идея2:

### 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:

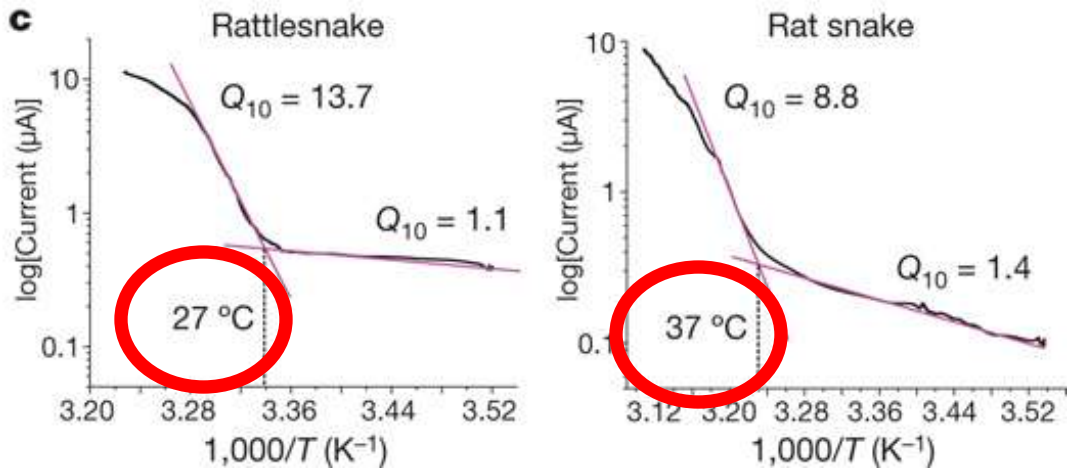
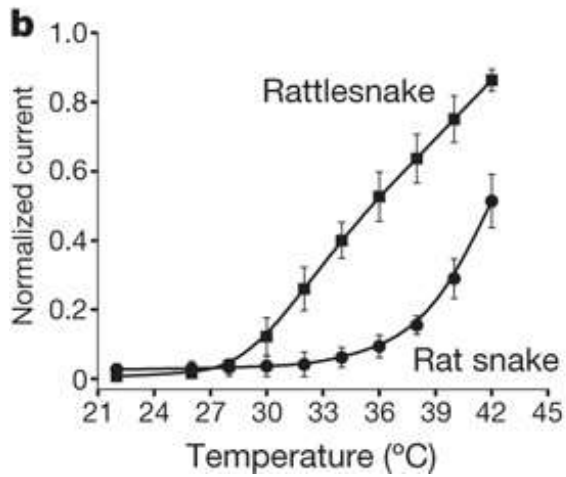
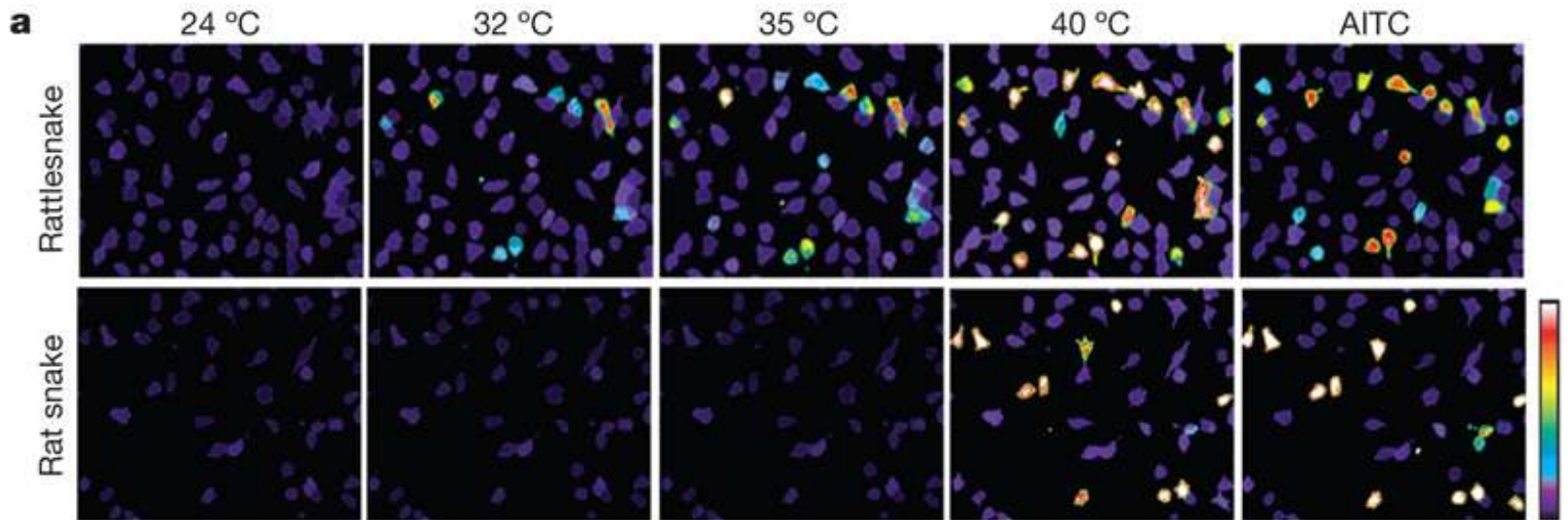


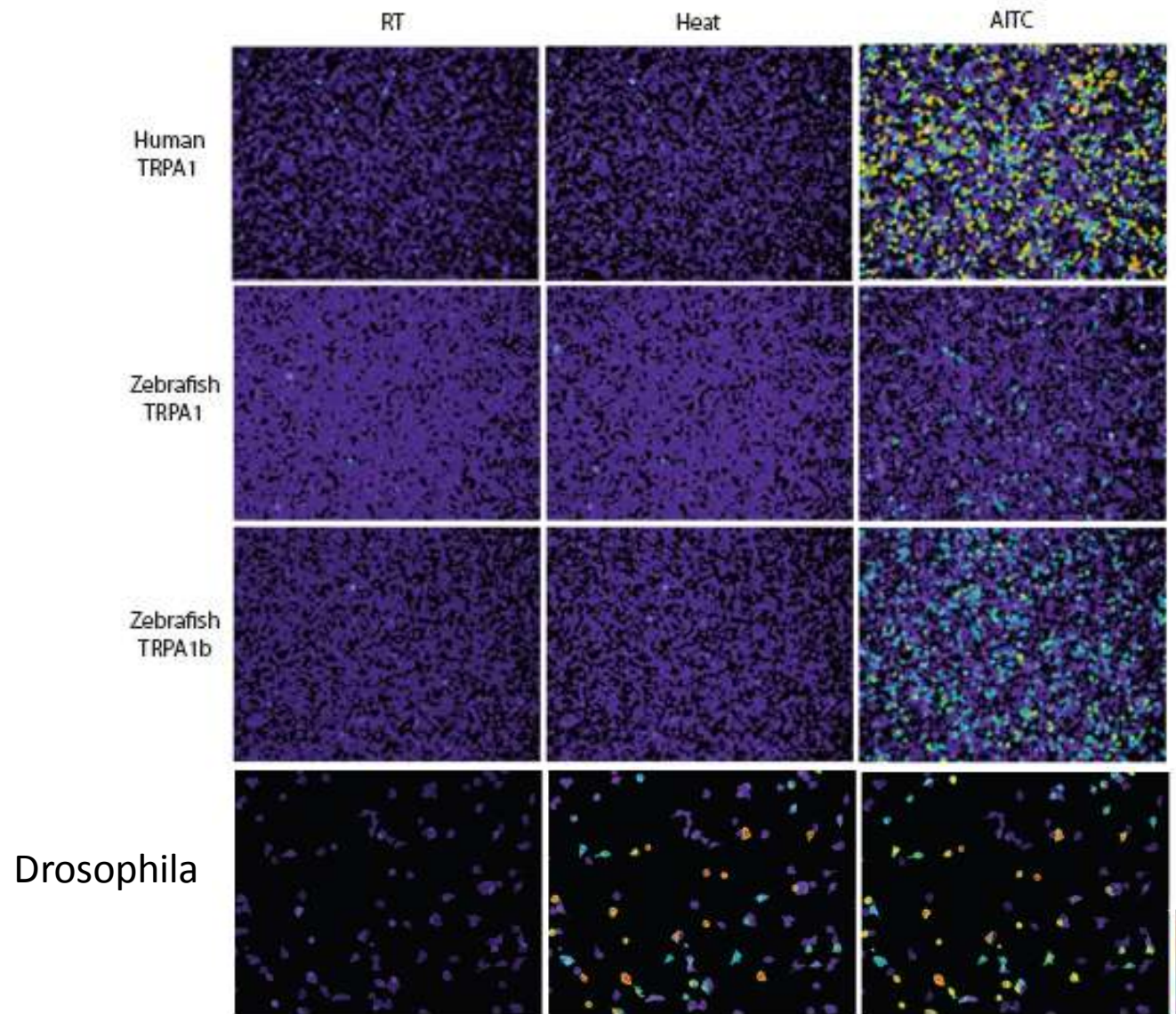
TRPA1 in mammals ~ **25%** of neurones (TG or DRG)

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

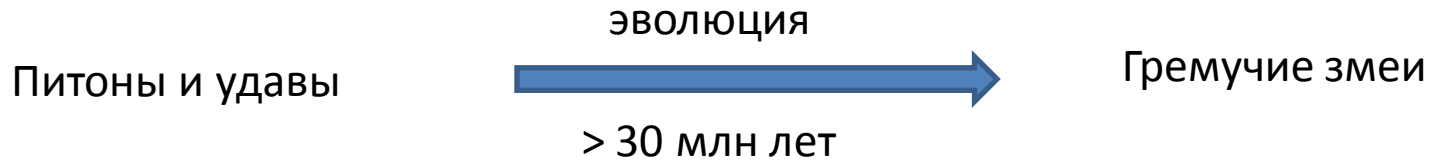
# Snake TRPA1 is a heat-activated channel

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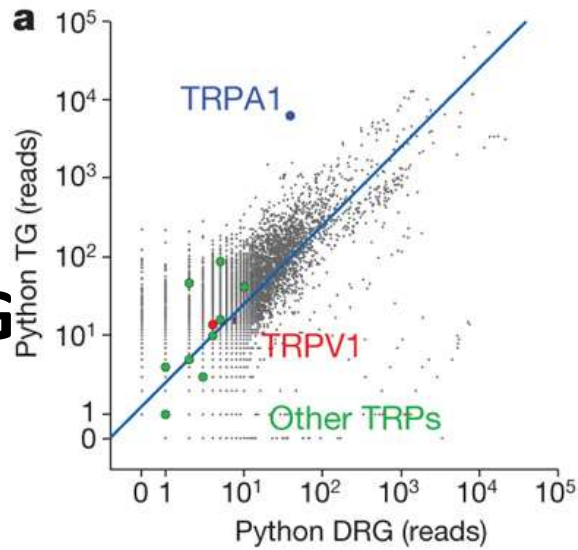




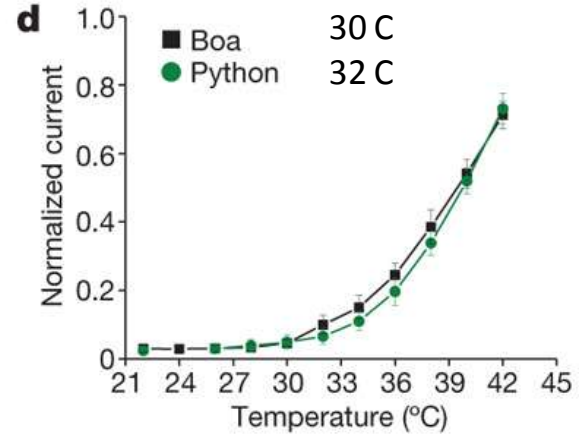
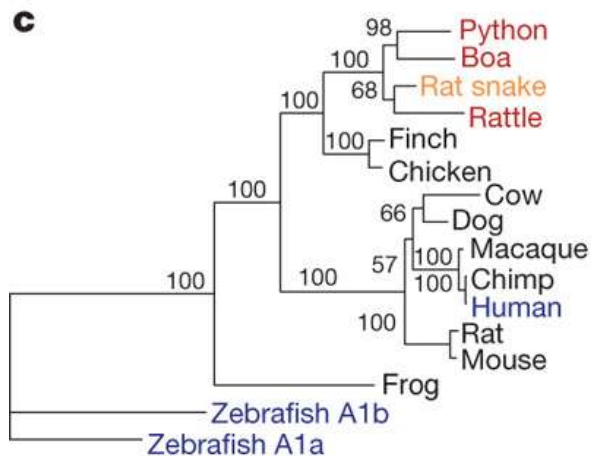
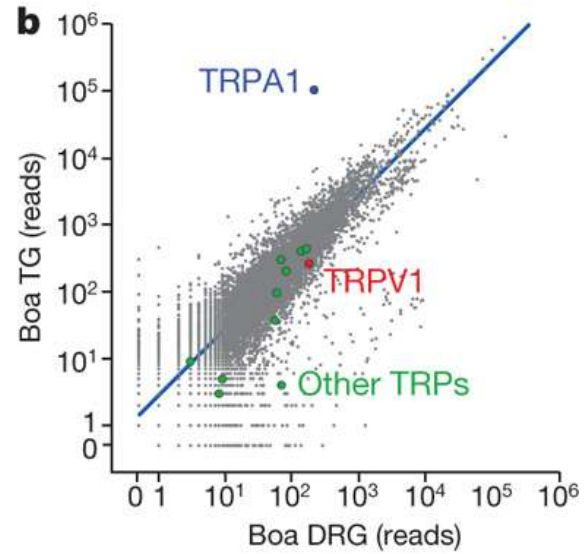
# Ancient snakes use TRPA1 to sense infrared radiation



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



**Merci beaucoup!**