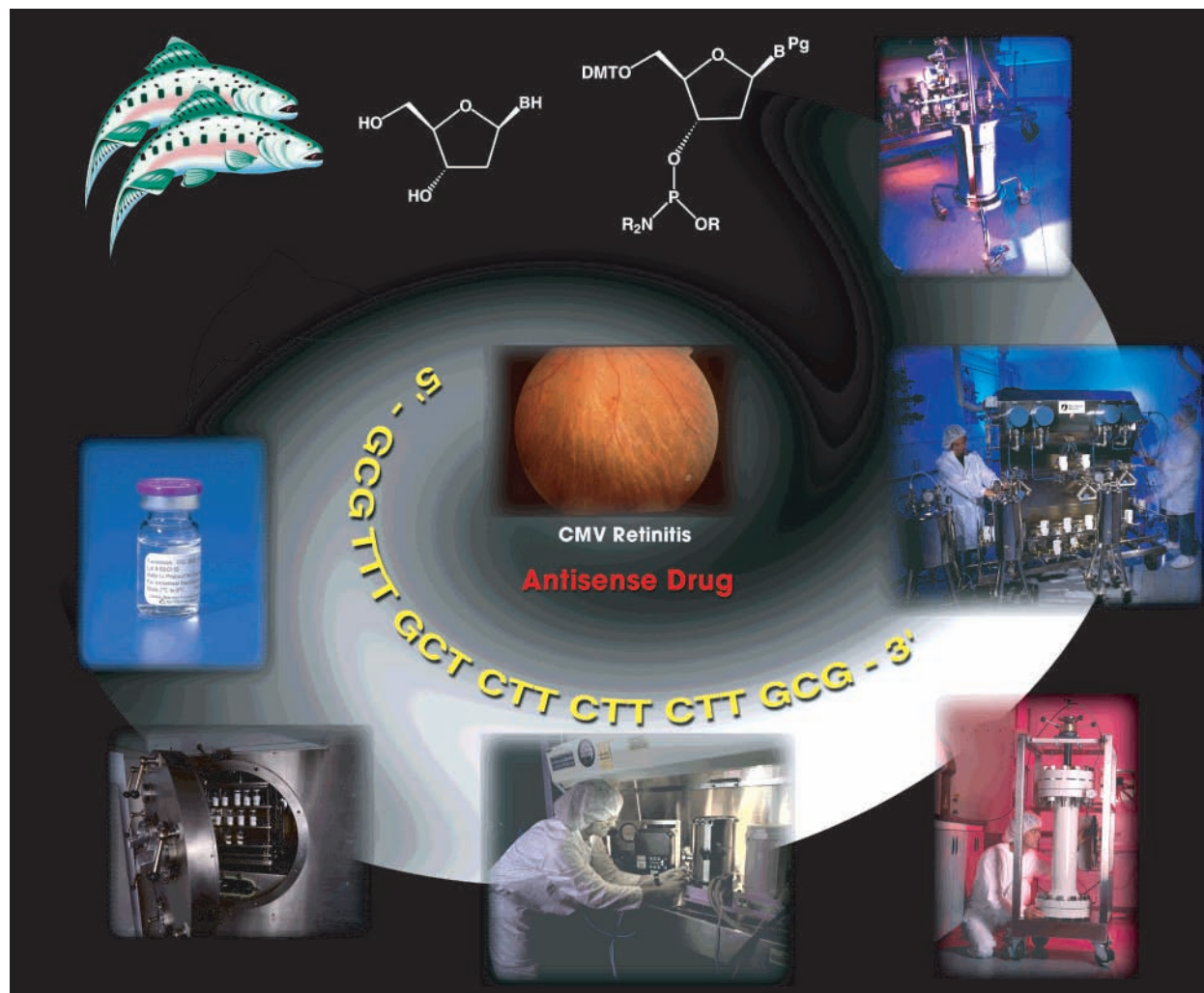


SPECIAL SECTION: LARGE-SCALE OLIGONUCLEOTIDE SYNTHESIS



The collage shows various steps (in a clockwise direction) of large-scale oligonucleotide synthesis. The art work was created by Tracy Reigle at Isis Pharmaceuticals, Carlsbad, CA.

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