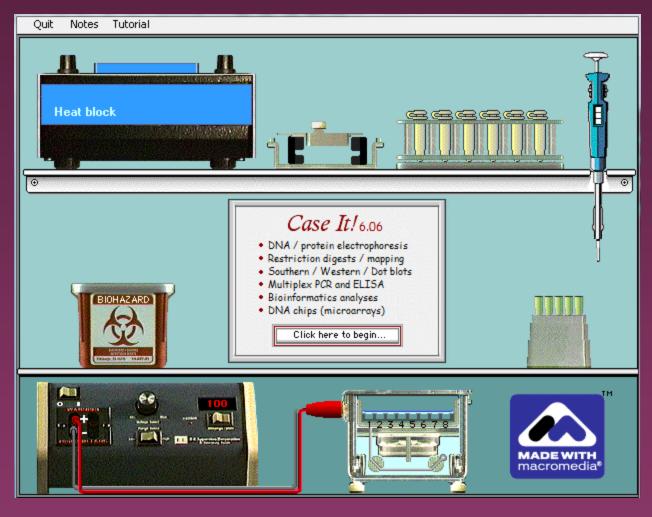
## Case It workshop: integrating molecular biology computer simulations and bioinformatics into case-based learning and student research

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# Case It! Project

#### URL for <u>Case It! Home Page:</u>

http://caseit.uwrf.edu

- Includes tutorials and download links
- Access to cases descriptions, problem spaces

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### History of Case It Project

- 1993 AMCBT meeting John Jungck
- 1994 BioQUEST workshop Peter Woodruff
- 1995 BioQUEST workshop Joyce Cadwallader,
   Virginia Carson, and Bill Coleman
- 1996 BioQUEST workshop Margaret Waterman
- 2006 and 2007 BioQUEST workshops Arlin Toro, Rafael Tosado-Acevedo, Chi-cheng Lin, Dinitra White
- 2008 and 2009 SCOPE workshops Ethel Stanley and Sam Donovan
- 2012 The Science Case Network (RCN-UBE)

# Case It! Project

Electronic framework for analyzing and discussing case studies in molecular biology

- Genetic and infectious diseases and associated ethical issues
- Students gather background information on cases
- Analyze DNA and/or protein sequences using Case It! simulation
- Online poster sessions
- Role-playing

# Techniques for DNA and protein analysis Case It! simulation

#### Features of Case It! simulation

- DNA and protein electrophoresis
- Restriction enzyme digestion and mapping
- Southern blotting
- Dot blotting
- Polymerase Chain Reaction (single and multiplex)
- ELISA
- Western blotting
- Microarrays (SNP and expression)
- Case studies in genetic and infectious diseases and other biology topics

#### Case It! Simulation New features in version 6.06

- Bioinformatics tools
  - » Open and save FASTA sequences
  - » Connection to BLAST and other NCBI tools
  - » Integration with MEGA software
    - Alignments
    - Tree building
  - » Other
- Microarray simulation
  - » SNP
  - » Expression

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# Huntingon's disease case

Case scenario - from Case It web site

Restriction enzyme digestion and Southern blot

PCR and gel electrophoresis

Sequence analysis - detect triplet base repeat, sequence alignment and BLAST to identify gene

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#### Breast cancer case

 Woman diagnosed with breast cancer, without prior risk factors

 Microarray analysis used to determine potential for aggressive growth and invasiveness of tumor

#### Prostate cancer case

- PSA blood test, link to prostate cancer being questioned
- SNPs associated with naturally high blood PSA levels detected by <u>microarray</u>
  - Should biopsy be done based on high PSA test result?

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