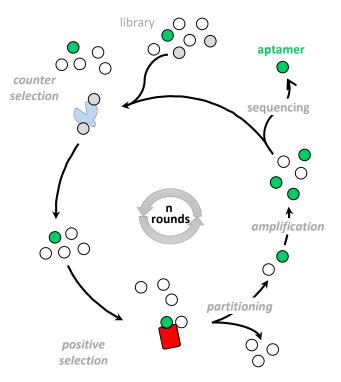
In the lab, we are interested in **protein-SELEX** and in **cell-SELEX**

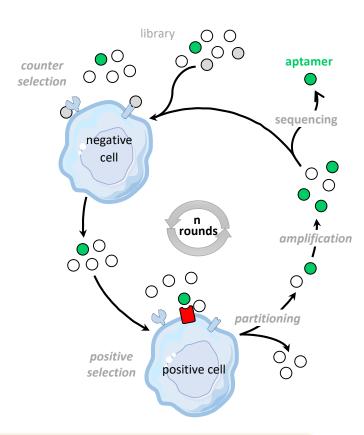
protein-SELEX

The target is a **purified protein** (usually recombinant)



cell-SELEX

The target is a cell, which, for example, over-express a pre-identified **cell-surface biomarker**



Compared to protein-SELEX, cell-SELEX:

- does not require to purify the target
- target proteins are in their native environment
- allows to select for internalizing aptamers
- and allows for biomarker discovery

Figures adapted from Mercier M-C, Dontenwill M, Choulier, L. (2017). Selection of nucleic acid aptamers targeting tumor cell-surface protein biomarkers. Cancers. 21(9), pii: E69.