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Below are some further resources that highlight cases of undirected basic research leading to major advances that may lead to new ways to study rare diseases or, possibly, to new treatments.

CRISPR for Gene Editing

A Powerful New Way to Edit DNA

The New York Times (2014)

<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/03/04/health/a-powerful-new-way-to-edit-dna.html>

Everything You Need to Know About CRISPR

Gene Editing's Monster Year

MIT Technology Review (2015)

<https://www.technologyreview.com/s/543941/everything-you-need-to-know-about-crispr-gene-editings-monster-year/>

Year in Review: CRISPR Blossoms

The Scientist (2015)

<http://www.the-scientist.com/?articles.view/articleNo/44796/-title/Year-in-Review--CRISPR-Blossoms/>

Breakthrough DNA Editor Born of Bacteria

Quanta Magazine (2015)

<https://www.quantamagazine.org/20150206-crispr-dna-editor-bacteria/>

Antibodies Part 1: CRISPR

Radiolab (2015)

<http://www.radiolab.org/story/antibodies-part-1-crispr/>

CRISPR Gene Editing to Be Tested on People by 2017, Says Editas

MIT Technology Review (2015)

<https://www.technologyreview.com/s/543181/crispr-gene-editing-to-be-tested-on-people-by-2017-says-editas/>

Optogenetics

Optogenetics: Controlling the Brain with Light

Scientific American (2010)

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/optogenetics-controlling/>

Explained: Optogenetics

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2013)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nb07TLkJ3Ww>

Lighting the Brain

The New Yorker (2015)

<http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2015/05/18/lighting-the-brain>

In First Human Test of Optogenetics, Doctors Aim to Restore Sight to the Blind

MIT Technology Review (2016)

<https://www.technologyreview.com/s/600696/in-first-human-test-of-optogenetics-doctors-aim-to-restore-sight-to-the-blind/>