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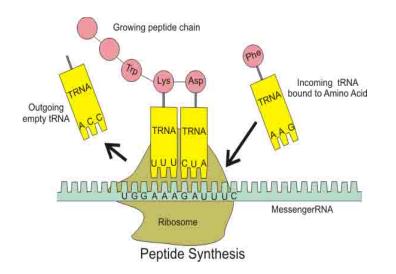
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Molecular Genetics DNA Replication &

Gene Expression



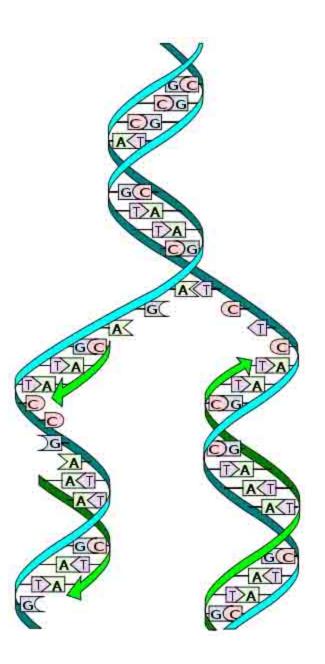
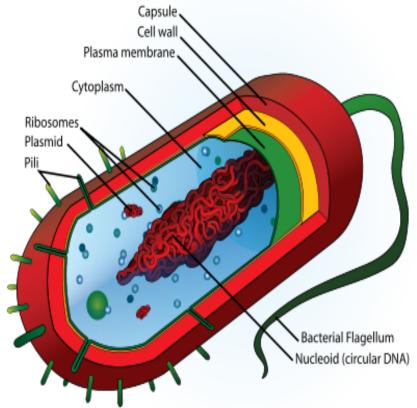


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Prokaryotic Genomes

- Made of <u>DNA</u>
- Chromosomes can be circular or linear
- Genome floats freely within cytoplasm
- Q: Where is DNA found in prokaryotes?



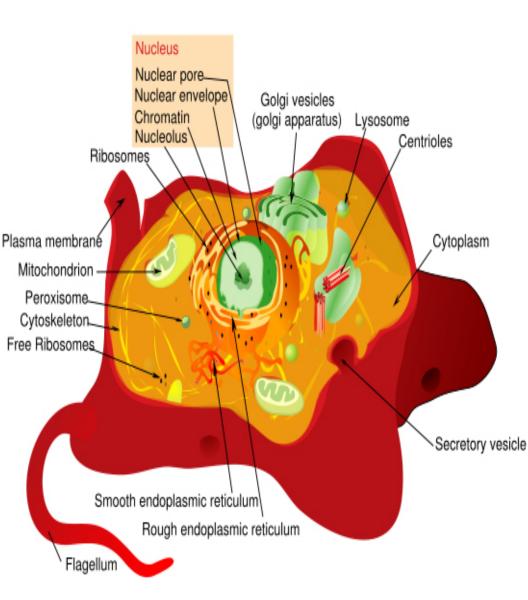
Eukaryotic Genomes

- Genomes of <u>eukaryotic</u> <u>organisms</u> made of DNA.
- Eukaryotic genomes frequently include many linear chromosomes within a membrane-bound nucleus

(Q: How many do we have?).

- Where is DNA found in eukaryotes?
 - Nuclear DNA
 - Extranuclear DNA

(Q: What is extranuclear DNA?)



Chromosomes & Genes

- Genome Complete complement of an organism's DNA.
- Cellular <u>DNA</u> is organized in chromosomes.
- Genes have specific places on chromosomes.

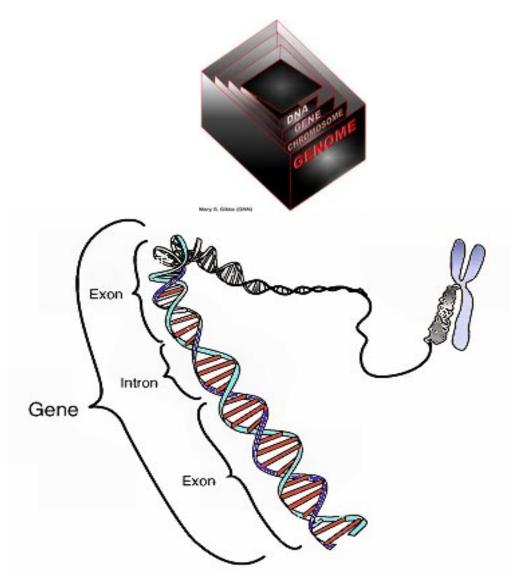
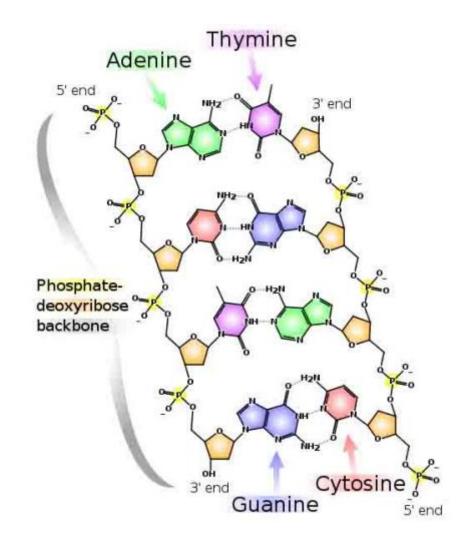


Image: <u>Chromosome & gene</u>, Graham Colm, National Human Genome Research Institute

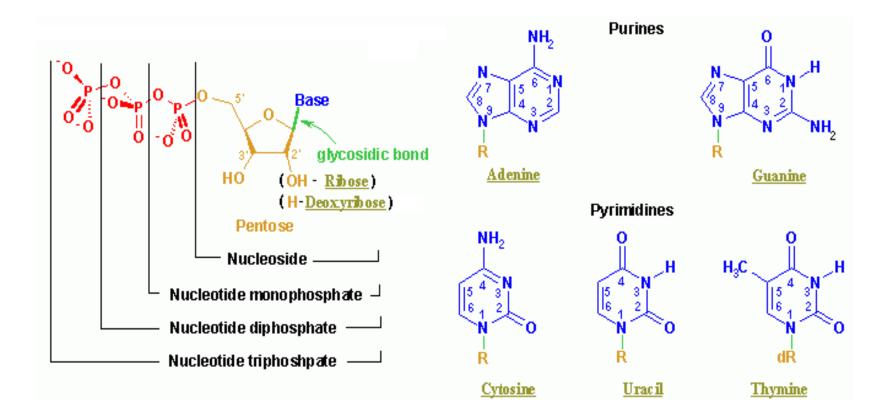
Nucleotides and Nucleic Acids



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Nucleic Acids

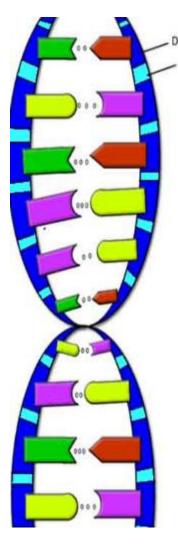
Q: What type of monomer are nucleic acids made of?



DNA Structure

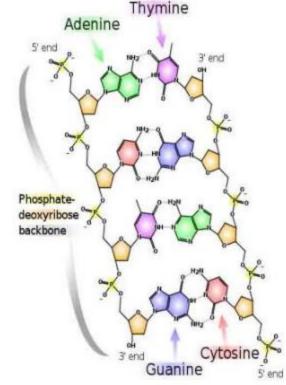
- Double stranded molecule, analogous to a spiral staircase:
 - two deoxyribose-phosphate chains as the "**side rails**"
 - base pairs, linked by hydrogen bonds, are the "**steps**"
- Purine Bases (double ring) Adenine & Guanine
- Pyrimidine Bases

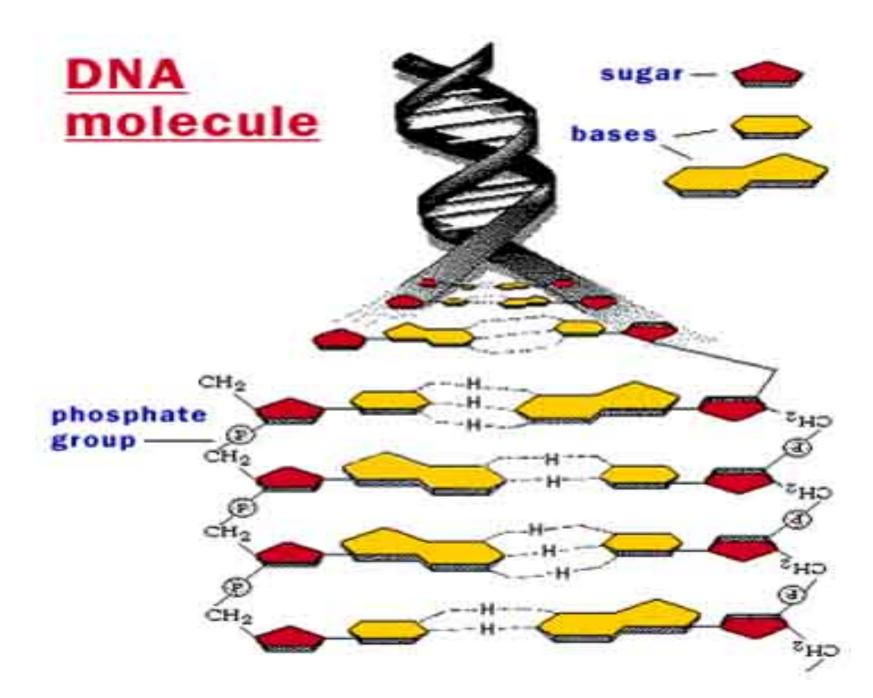
 (single ring)
 Cytosine & Thymine



 Thymine
 Adenine
 Guanine
 Cytosine
 Cytosine
 D = Deoxyribose (sugar)
 P = Phosphate
 *** Hydrogen Bond



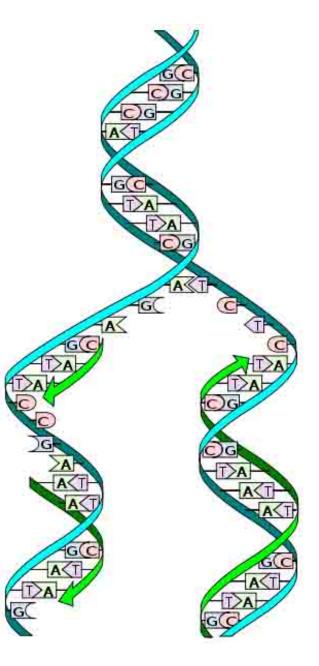




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DNA Replication

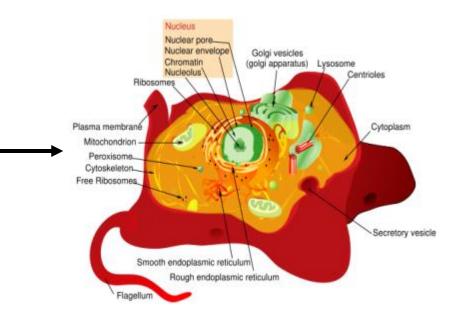
- **Copying** of a double-stranded DNA molecule.
- Each <u>DNA</u> strand holds the same genetic information, so each strand can serve as a template for the new, opposite strand.
- The parent (a.k.a. _____) strand is preserved and the daughter (a.k.a. _____) strand is assembled from nucleotides.
- This is called **semi-conservative** replication.
- Resulting double-stranded DNA molecules are identical.
- Q: Why would a cell need to copy its DNA?



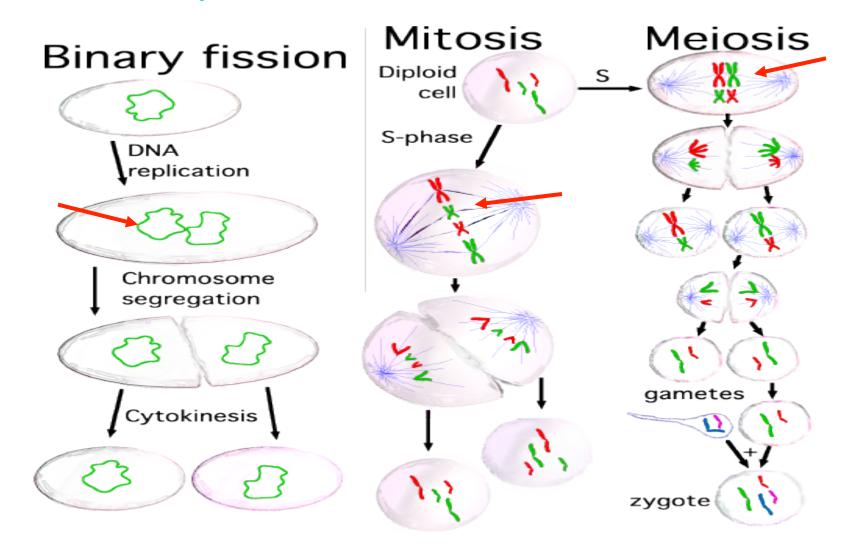
DNA Replication

In a cell, <u>DNA replication</u> must happen before cell division. Capsul Plasma membrane Vytoplasm Plasmid Pli Vitoplasm Cytoplasm Votoplasm V

- **Prokaryotes** replicate their DNA throughout the interval between cell divisions.
- In eukaryotes, timing of replication is highly regulated.



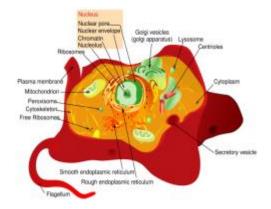
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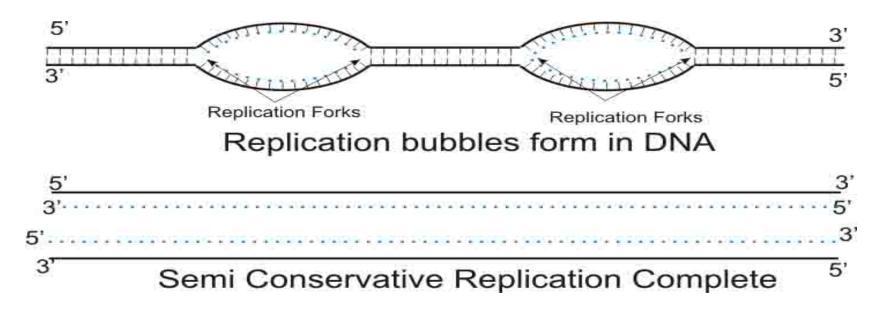


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EUKARYOTIC DNA Replication: Replication "Bubbles"

- Multiple origins of replication > These "bubbles" are the start points of replication.
- Replication fork: 'Y'-shaped region where new strands of DNA are elongating.

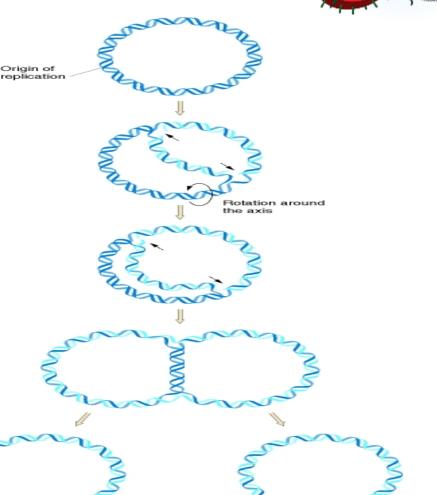


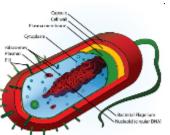


PROKARYOTIC DNA Replication

One Origin

- <u>Prokaryotic</u> DNA is arranged in a circular shape, and there is only one replication origin.
- Despite these differences, the underlying process of replication is the same for both prokaryotic and <u>eukaryotic</u> DNA.



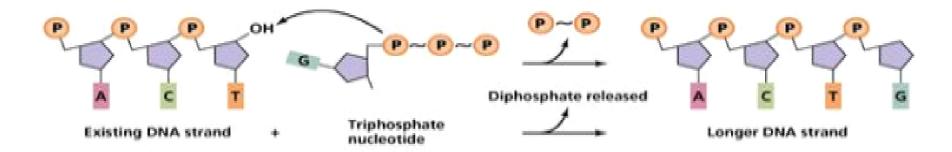


How Do Nucleotides Put Themselves Together Into Nucleic Acids?

- An anabolic polymerization process.
 - Q: Anabolic or Anabolism is....?

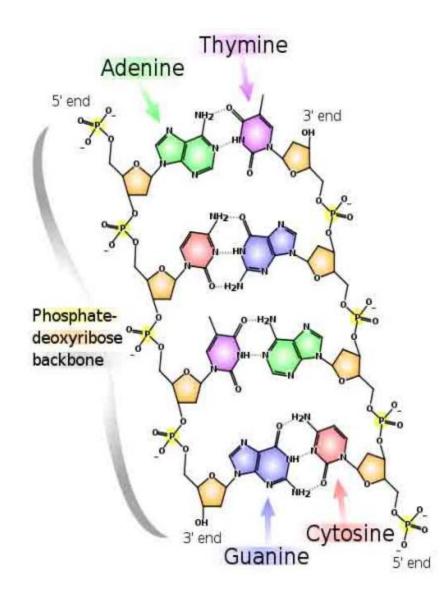
Q: Polymerization is ...?

- Polymerization requires monomers (building blocks) and energy.
 - Triphosphate deoxyribonucleotides provide both.
 - These building blocks of DNA bring their own energy for polymerization.



DNA Replication: Anti-parallel Nature of DNA

- Sugar/phosphate backbone runs in opposite directions.
- One strand runs 5' to 3', while the other runs 3' to 5'.
- DNA polymerase: <u>enzyme</u> that facilitates addition of nucleotides in building the new DNA strand.
- Can only adds nucleotides at the free 3' end.
- Q: Why is this important?



DNA Replication: Leading & Lagging Strand

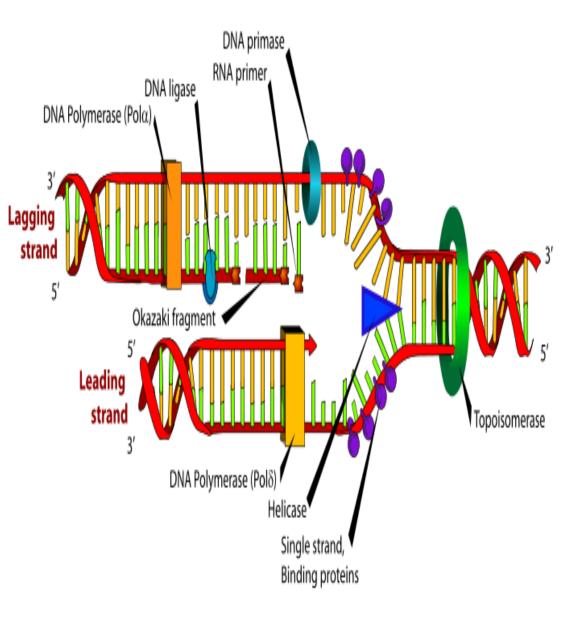
Leading Strand Synthesis proceeds smoothly as the replication fork unzips.

Lagging Strand Synthesis away from the replication fork (Okazaki fragments); joined by DNA ligase.

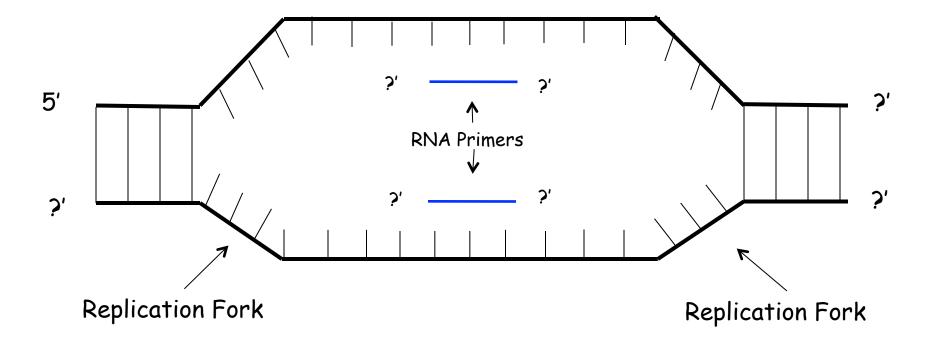
REVIEW

DNA Replication Animations from McGraw-Hill

This link will take you to a page with 4 links on it. Please view the first, "How Nucleotides are Added in DNA Replication" and the fourth "DNA Replication Fork".



Let's Practice How Leading & Lagging Daughter Strands Are Built Within the Replication Bubble

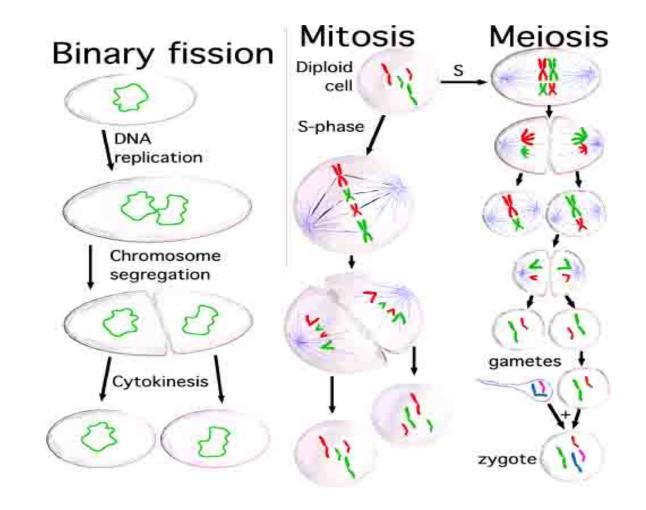


Now lets look at how <u>replication</u> of the leading and lagging strands occurs at each of the two replication forks within the replication bubble:

- 1. Label each end of the parent strands as either 5' or 3'.
- 2. Start a RNA primer for each daughter strand and label its 5' and 3' ends.
- 3. Show how new strands are built (continuously or discontinuously).

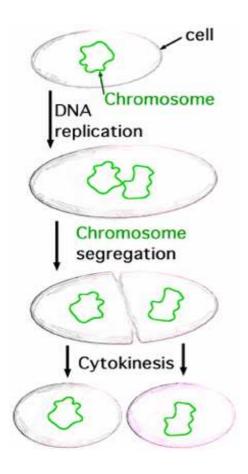
Reminder...Why is the DNA copied?

Replication occurs prior to <u>cell division</u>, because the new, daughter cell will also need a complete copy of cellular <u>DNA</u>.



Genetic Diversity in Prokaryotes

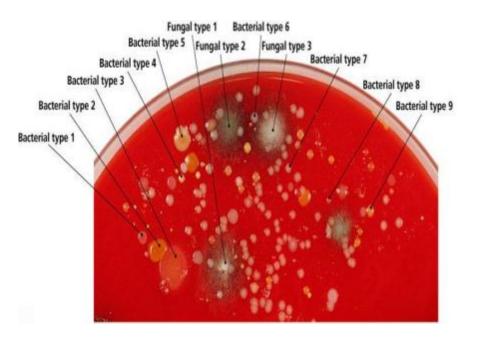
If <u>binary fission</u> creates clones...



...then:

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- Why isn't there just one type of bacteria?
- How do bacteria change (for example develop resistance to antibiotics)?



Replication Mistakes: Mutations of Genes

- Change in the <u>nucleotide base</u> sequence of a genome; rare.
- Almost always bad news, but...
- Rarely leads to a <u>protein</u> having a novel property that improves ability of organism and its descendants to survive and reproduce.



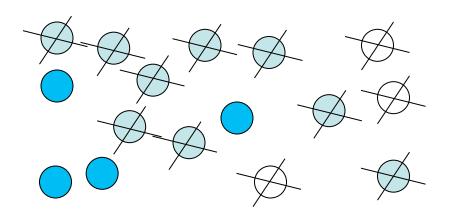
Mutation and Bacterial Change

_____= When a microorganism is able to survive exposure to an antibiotic.

- Genetic mutation in bacteria can produce resistance to antimicrobial drugs (example: beta-lactamase).
- If those genes are on a plasmid, they can be transferred between bacteria by <u>conjugation</u> and other forms of horizontal gene transfer.
- If a bacterium carries several resistance genes, it is called multidrug resistant (MDR) or, informally, a superbug or super bacterium.
- Any use of antibiotics can increase selective pressure in a population of bacteria to allow the resistant bacteria to thrive and the susceptible bacteria to die off.

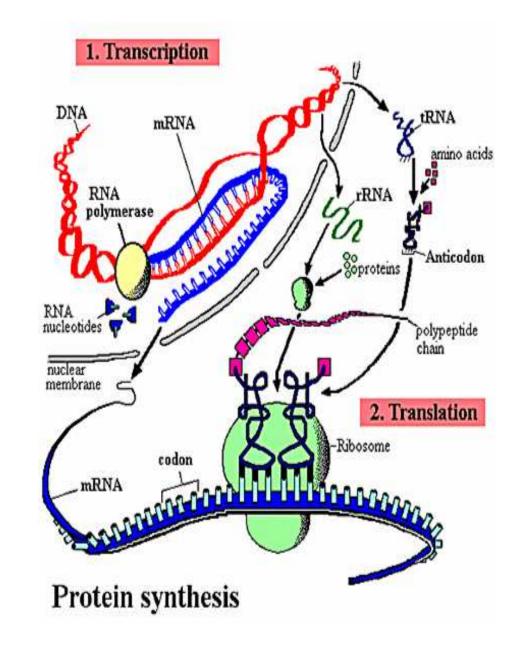






Gene Expression

Transcription & **Translation** (Making Proteins)

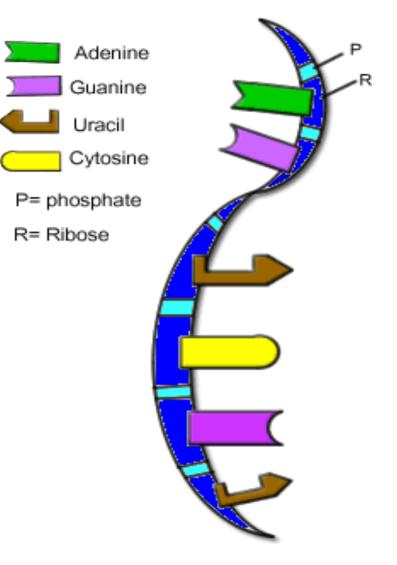


Nucleic Acids: RNA Structure

<u>RNA</u> is typically a single-stranded molecule.

Purine Bases (double ring) Adenine & Guanine

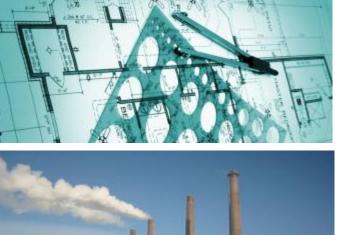
Pyrimidine Bases (single ring) Cytosine & _____



Types of RNA

Genetic information copied from DNA is transferred to 3 types of RNA:

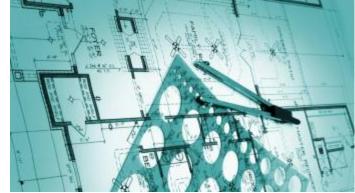
- messenger (mRNA) is like a Copy of information in DNA that is brought to the ribosome where the information is translated into a protein.
- ribosomal (rRNA) is like a The protein factories of the cells.
- transfer (tRNA) are like a Brings the <u>amino acid</u> to the ribosome.



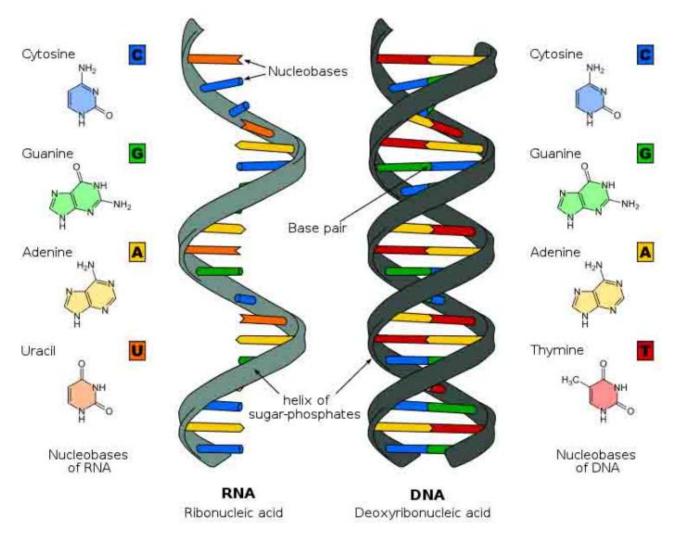


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Nucleic Acid Structure



See SPO Class Notes article on <u>Nucleotides & Nucleic Acids</u>.

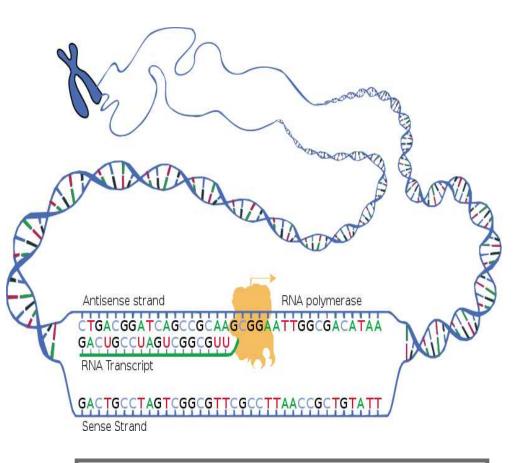
Transcription

First Step of gene expression.

- Process by which a DNA sequence is copied to produce a complementary mRNA strand.
- In other words, it is the transfer of genetic information from DNA into RNA.

Like <u>replication</u>, but making RNA.

Beginning of the process that ultimately leads to the translation of the genetic code (via mRNA) into a <u>protein</u>.



REVIEW

Transcription Animations

- 1. mRNA Synthesis from McGraw-Hill
 - 2. <u>Transcription</u> from WH Freeman

Translation

- Second Step of gene expression.
- Ribosomes (which contain rRNA) make proteins from the messages encoded in mRNA.
- The genetic instructions for a polypeptide chain are 'written' in the DNA as a series of 3-nucleotide 'words.'
- _____ on mRNA
- _____ on tRNA
- 'U' (uracil) replaces 'T' in RNA
- This is the genetic code.

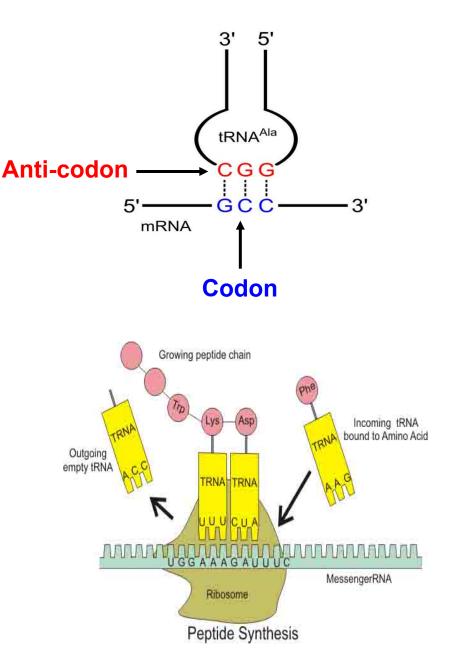
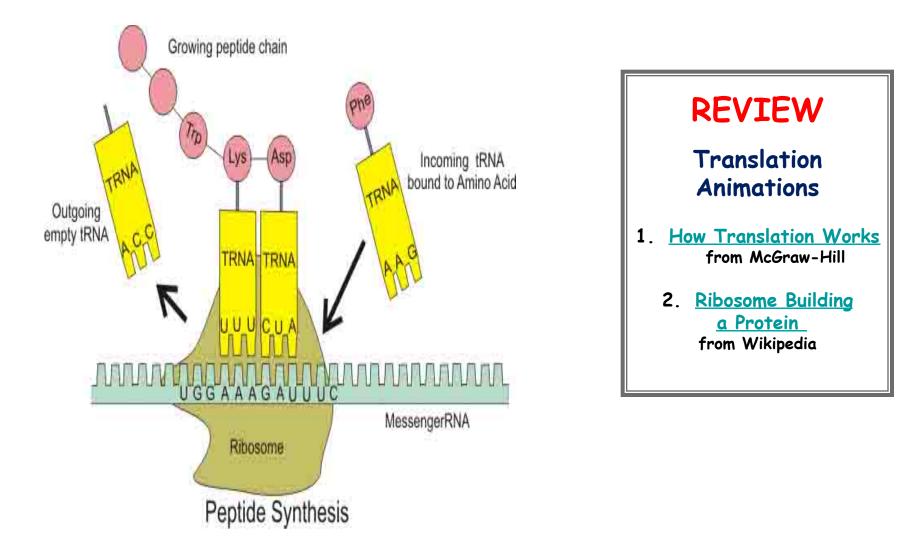


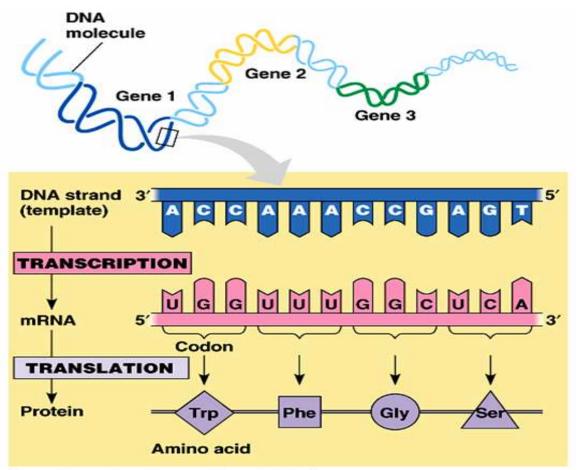
Image: <u>Codon-Anticodon pairing</u>, Yikrazuul, Wiki; <u>Peptide Synthesis Diagram</u>: Boumphreyfr, Wiki.

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Translation



Transcription & Translation Overview

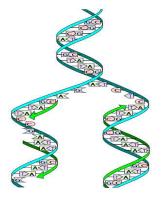


REVIEW Interactive animation that allows you to transcribe and translate a gene

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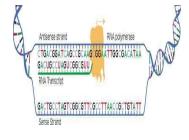
See SPO Class Notes article on <u>DNA Function: Transcription & Translation</u>.

Replication, Transcription, Translation



MAKING DNA Making a copy of the genetic material = Replication When you think "replication" think "duplication"

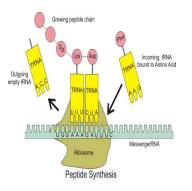
Q: Where does replication occur in <u>prokaryotes</u>? <u>Eukaryotes</u>?



MAKING RNA

Transferring genetic code (DNA) to RNA = Transcription Think of a medical transcriptionist copying the physicians words into another format.

Q: Where does transcription occur in prokaryotes? Eukaryotes?



MAKING PROTEINS

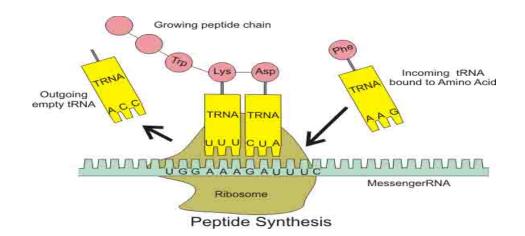
Making proteins = Translation Think of how translation relates to languages.

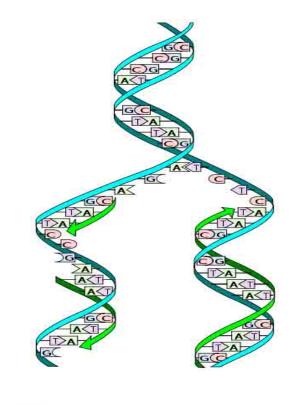
Think of how translation relates to languages. The translation of biology translates DNA information into <u>proteins</u>.

Q: Where does translation occur in prokaryotes? Eukaryotes?

Let's put it all together!

- 1. The order of <u>nucleotide</u> bases in the <u>DNA</u>, in three base groupings (codons), is the genetic code; the "blueprints" of an organism.
- 2. Mutations result when there is a mistake copying the DNA (<u>replication</u>).
- 3. DNA is instructions for building proteins (from amino acids).
- 4. Mutations in the DNA code can result in the wrong amino acid being added to a protein.
- 5. A different amino acid can change the shape of that protein, and if a protein's shape is changed, it can't do its job.





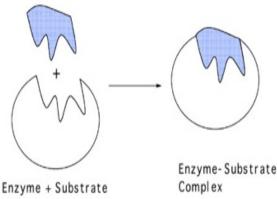


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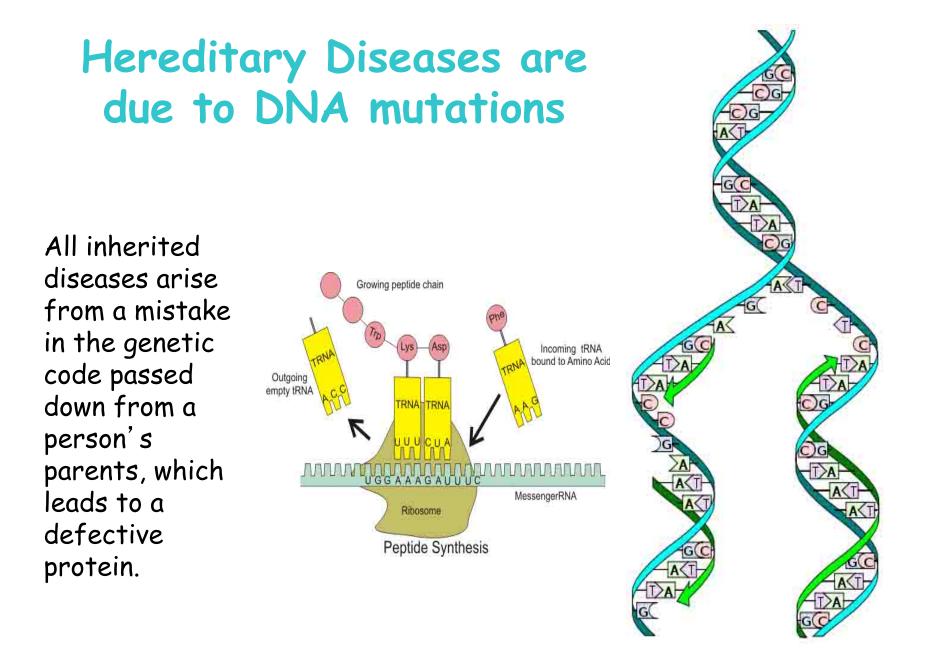


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Genetic Disease: Cystic Fibrosis (CF)

Cystic fibrosis (CF) is the most common, fatal genetic disease in the US.

Causes the body to produce thick mucus that clogs the lungs, leads to infection, and blocks the pancreas from delivering digestive enzymes to the intestine.

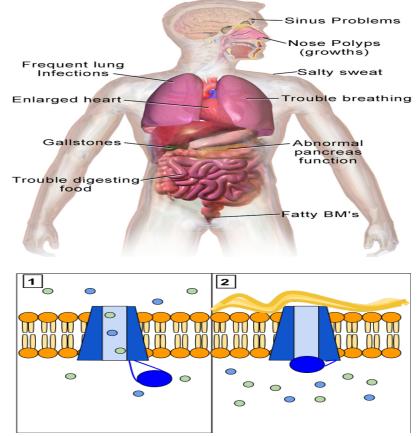
Results from mutations in a single gene: Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Regulator (CFTR) gene.

In normal cells, the CFTR channel protein allows cells to release chloride and other ions.

In people with CF, this protein is defective and the cells are not able to release the chloride, resulting in an improper salt balance in the cells and thick, sticky mucus.

Medical research is focusing on ways to cure CF by correcting the defective gene, or correcting the defective protein.

Health Problems with Cystic Fibrosis



CFTR channel protein controls flow of H2O and CI- inside the lungs. When this protein is working correctly (Panel 1) ions can flow in and out of the cells. But, when the CFTR protein is blocked (Panel 2) these ions cannot flow out of the cell due.

Genetic Disease: Sickle Cell Disease

Most common inherited blood disorder in the United States.

In the US, sickle cell disease is most prevalent among African Americans.

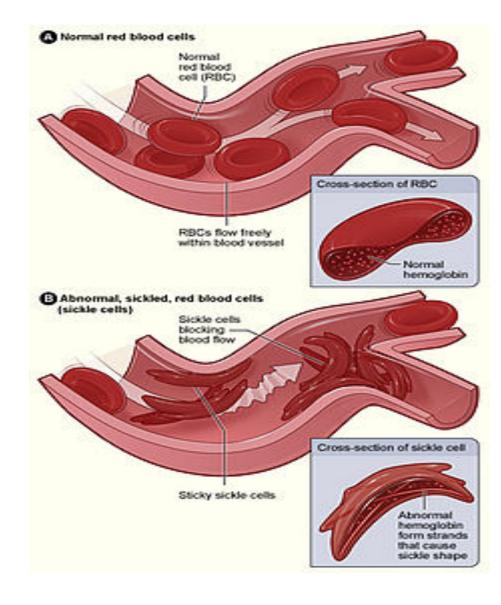
Caused by a mutation in the hemoglobin-Beta gene found on chromosome 11.

Hemoglobin transports oxygen from the lungs to other parts of the body.

Red blood cells with normal hemoglobin (hemoglobin-A) are smooth and round and easily flow through blood vessels.

People with this disease have abnormal hemoglobin molecules that stick to one another and cause red blood cells to become sickle shaped and pile up, rather than flow, causing blockages and damaging vital organs and tissue.

People who only carry the sickle cell trait typically don't get the disease, but can pass the defective gene on to their children.



What is Epigenetics?

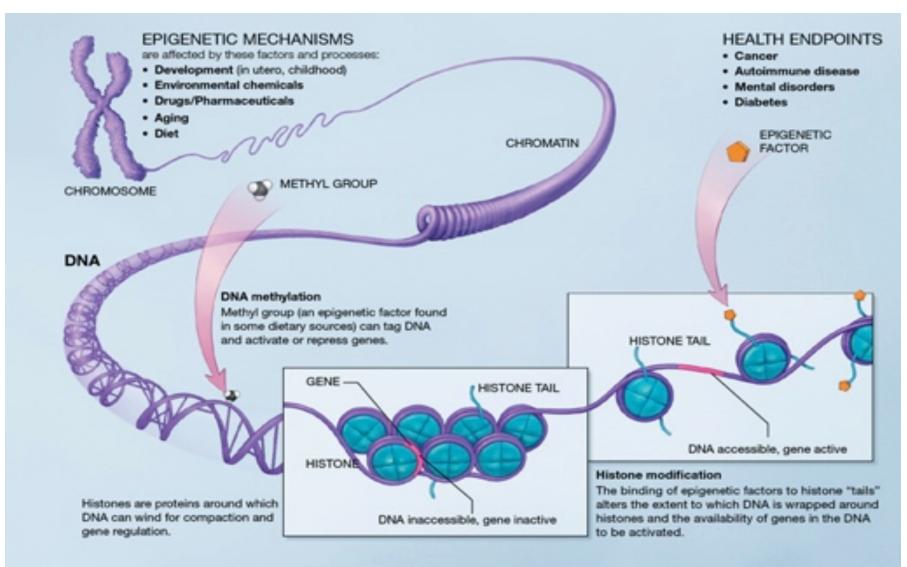
Heritable changes in <u>gene expression</u> that do not involve changes to the DNA sequence

A change in **phenotype** without a change in **genotype**.

Epigenetic change can be influenced by several factors including age, environment, lifestyle, and disease.



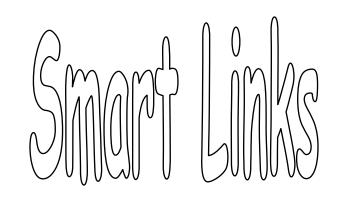
What is Epigenetics?





Here are links to fun resources that further explain genetic transcription & translation:

- Molecular Genetics: Replication Main Page on the Virtual Cell Biology Classroom of <u>Science Prof Online</u>.
- <u>"That Spells DNA"</u> song by Jonathan Coulton.
- <u>DNA Structure</u> Cell Biology Animation from John Kyrk.
- <u>Build a DNA Molecule</u> from University of Utah.
- DNA Replication animation and review questions.
- <u>DNA Replication Process</u> animated video by FreeScienceLectures.com.
- **DNA Replication** step-through animation by John Kyrk.
- <u>Transcription & Translation Main Page</u> on the Virtual Cell Biology Classroom of <u>Science Prof Online</u>.
- **DNA Transcription** step-through animation by John Kyrk.
- Transcribe & Translate a Gene, from University of Utah.
- <u>DNA Transcription and Protein Assembly</u> animated movie by RedAndBrownPaperBag.
- <u>Transcription and Translation</u> animated movie from PBS production "DNA: The Secret of Life.





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