

# Molecular biology (2)





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Foundation Block - Biochemistry Team

## Objectives:

• To understand DNA replication.

To know the transcription of genetic material into messenger RNA.

To get an idea about the translation of mRNA into a functional protein

## DNA is the genetic material

- Therefore it must be :
- 1- Replicate faithfully ( in a correct way ).

2- Have the coding ability ( ability to transfer information ) to produce proteins for all cellular functions.



Central dogma of Molecular Biology: A portion of DNA, called a gene, is transcribed into RNA, then RNA is translated into proteins.

## Features of Eukaryotic DNA Replication

- Semiconservative with respect to parental strand:
  - Daughter DNA molecules contain one parental strand and one newly-replicated strand.



Bidirectional with multiple origins of replication.

#### Primed by short stretches of RNA.

There must be a basic structure "a foundation". For The enzymes to work on. It can't start from the scratch; therefore primers (RNA nucleotides) are used (and they are later removed)

#### Semi-discontinous

- The leading strand synthesized continuously
- The lagging strand discontinuous (in fragments)

In DNA replication, both daughter strands (leading strand red, lagging strand blue) are synthesized in their  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  directions. The two strands are antiparallel. However, DNA polymerase can ONLY work in a  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  direction so we are left with gaps where the DNA polymerase can't continue working. These fragments are called okazaki fragments.



#### Steps in DNA replication



## Steps in DNA replication

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DNA Helicase untwists DNA strands by binding to DNA sequence (helicase origin) making a fork-like structure called replication fork. some places in the DNA have specific sequence of codons (helicase origin) so If there are multiple origins then there are multiple helicase.



Primase makes RNA primer.

#### DNA Polymerase

- Adds nucleotides to primer adds to 3' end only this means that DNA replication only progress from 5' to 3' end
- proofreads (check if bases added are correct), if incorrect it replaces incorrect nucleotides.

تكون قطع (while lagging strand : oriented 3' to 5' towards the fork تكون مستقيمة while lagging strand : oriented 5' to 3' towards fork → Okazaki fragments (discontinuous replication)

## DNA Polymerase here remove the RNA primers by exonuclease activity and fills the gaps the we got after removing the RNA primers.

What's exonuclease ? They're enzymes that remove nucleotides.

Ligase connects the okazaki fragments on the lagging strands by forming bonds between the sugar-phosphate backbone.



Topoisomerases cut and relieves supercoiled DNA downstream of replication fork if you wanna understand more <u>watch this video</u> اللي صار يعني نقدر نقول لما يجي الـ overwinding اللي صار يعني نقدر نقول لما يجي الـ eleicase فصل الـ strands الباقين اللي ورا بيلفون على بعضهم فلازم ننقذ الوضع ونفك التعقيده

### Proteins involved in DNA replication

Name	Types	Functions		
DNA <mark>Hel</mark> icase		An enzyme ( protein ) that binds to DNA sequences called origins and unwinds DNA strands.		
Single-stranded DNA binding proteins		Prevents single strands from winding.		
DNA Primase		An enzyme that makes a short segment of RNA primer which is complementary to the DNA		
DNA polymerases	α (Alpha), β (Beta), γ (Gamma) , δ (Delta), ε (Epsilon).	- Adds DNA nucleotides to the RNA primer. - Proofreads bases added and replaces incorrect nucleotide		
DNA ligase		An enzyme that forms bonds between the sugar- phosphate backbone.		
Topoisomerases	Topoisomerases I	(cut one of the DNA strands)		
	Topoisomerases II	(cut both of the DNA strands)		
Telomerases		An enzyme that adds nucleotides to telomeres (a reign at the end of a chromosome)		

### Transcription (mRNA synthesis)

- A portion of DNA (a gene) is transcribed into messenger RNA(mRNA).
- Only one of the DNA strands is transcribed (antisense strand).
- The RNA polymerase II is responsible for this process.
- The direction of transcription is  $5' \rightarrow 3'$ .

Antisense strand: DNA strand which runs from 3' to 5'.

• the importance of mRNA is to carry information from DNA to the ribosomes for protein synthesis

#### Steps in mRNA synthesis









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Pre mRNA = Nascent RNA =Immature RNA

Exons: coding regions Introns: noncoding regions

<u> A helpful video</u>
Or B. A helpful video

## Steps in mRNA synthesis

- some concepts you need to understand them before reading the steps :
  - Multiple mRNA copies allow for more proteins to be produced
  - Transcription factors : proteins which bind the promoter and recruit the RNA polymerase
  - Template strand : strand of DNA which the gene to be transcribed is located

Chain initiation: RNA polymerase II binds to promoter region of DNA to start transcription. There's a region on the strand called promoter region then the transcription factors will come and bind to the promoter region this step is important because the RNA polymerase II enzyme will be recruited by transcription factors transcription factors transcription factors are called promoter region this step is important because the RNA polymerase II enzyme will be recruited by transcription factors transcription factors transcription factors are called promoter region this step is important because the RNA polymerase II enzyme will be recruited by transcription factors transcription factors transcription factors are called promoter region to 5' along template strand

<sup>2</sup> Chain elongation: A portion of DNA template unwinds (opens) at the point of RNA synthesis. This forms a short length of RNA-DNA hybrid.

Complementary RNA nucleotides added to the growing RNA strand (uracil instead of thymine in the RNA strand).

<sup>3</sup> Chain termination: DNA contains specific sites which stop transcription (at ansequence of 4-10 AT base pairs).

Polyadenylation signal in the <u>transcribed RNA</u> signals proteins to cut it from the polymerase بمعنى اخر RNA polymerase enzyme عند ترتيب محدد من القراعد مذكوره فوق Newly formed RNA is called Pre-mRNA or immature RNA because it still needs to be processed

#### Post transcriptional modification



- the newly formed mRNA " immature " has to go in some modification to become " a mature RNA " and to protect the mRNA from degradation
- we have 3 types of modification "NOT steps ":

**Capping:** Addition of a methylated guanine nucleotide at **5' end** of mRNA . This cap is added during transcription. Function:

- prevents mRNA degradation by exonucleases.
- helps the transcript bind to the ribosome during protein synthesis.
- Polyadenylation: Addition of a poly(A) tail a highly conserved AAUAA sequence at 3' end of mRNA. Multiple adenines added at the end of the polyadenylation signal Functions:
  - To protect the mRNA from degradation
    - For ribosomal RNA recognition.
- Intron removal: Introns are non-coding sequence of DNA/RNA or Sections of the RNA sequence that are found in between exons so in this modification Introns will be removed from the RNA by the <u>spliceosome</u>. Spliceosome ? Group of small nuclear RNAs and proteins which join together to recognize and remove introns from transcribed RNA for releasing mature mRNA from nucleus.

## Translation (protein synthesis)

- Translation : A process of protein synthesis from mRNA
- mRNA has genetic codes for amino acids present in proteins.
- The genetic code is : a dictionary that identifies the correspondence between a sequence of nucleotide bases and a sequence of amino acids.
- Each individual word in the code is composed of three nucleotide bases (codons).
- You should know that ribosomal structure consists of 2 subunits each made of protein and RNA:
  Small ribosomal subunit has mRNA binding site.
  - Large ribosomal subunit
- in the ribosome you have 3 tRNA binding sites : <u>A</u> site (<u>A</u>rrive), P site (<u>P</u>eptidyl-tRNA), <u>E</u> site (<u>E</u>xit
- بمعنى ان بال ribosome فيه ثلاث مناطق لارتباط الـ tRNA اما المكان اللي اول مايوصل له ال tRNA اللي هو A أو المكان المسؤول عن بناء رابطة ببتيدية للاحماض الامينية P او اخر شي المكان اللي اذا وصل له tRNA اما المكان اللي اول مايوصل له tribosome خلاص اللي هو E

#### The possible codons

#### • 61 codons specify 20 amino acids

- عندنا ٢٤ كود ٣ منها للتوقف والـ ٦١ الباقيه موجوده عشان يكون كل كود مسؤل انه يتعرف على حمض اميني واحد فقط -
- codons specify for amino acids A,U,G,C combine to give 64 different combinations 61 of them encode amino acids and 3 specify termination of translation. .Since we have 20 amino acids, more than one codon can code for **the same amino acid**.
- One start codon (AUG) (the start codon could be use also as codon for methionine) SO, we always find methionine the first amino acid in the protein chain.
- 3 stop codons : UAA, UAG and UGA



Ribosomal Structure	
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Just memorize the stop codons and the start codon

## Components required for translation



### Steps in protein translation





### Steps in protein translation

#### Initiation :

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- A Initiator tRNA (methionine) binds to small ribosomal subunit (with help from initiation factors)
- You'll see that tRNAs are adaptors with a three nucleotide "anti-codon" section that binds to mRNA codons and also bind amino acids. زي ماعرفنا في منطقة في الـ RNA binding site بريّط بهالمنطقة و هالارتباط اللي يحفزه يستمر هر وجود initiation factors بينهم
- **B** then the <u>small ribosomal</u> subunit/initiator tRNA complex binds mRNA (using **5' cap to bind the 5' end**) this complex scans towards the 3' end until it locates the <u>start codon</u> (**AUG** which sets the appropriate reading frame).

زي ماعرفنا ان الـ capping هي احد الـ modification للـ MRNA طيب الحين يجى الـ small ribosomal subunit ( اسميم الكامل هو capping ( اسميم الكامل هو capping هي احد الـ mRNA اللي معاد mRNA و الكاب تعلمك ان هذي نهايه mRNA بعنى اخر تعلمنا ان هذي five end فالـ five end فال ribosomal subunit راح تبتعد عن نهايه mRNA و الثناء ابتعادها ورحلتها للـ htree end راح توصل عند الـ mRNA فالم

#### - C tRNA is now bound to the AUG codon then the large ribosomal subunit arrives to form initiation complex .

The initiation complex break down when stop codon binds to the release factor (tRNA).

الحين بسبب ارتباط الـ start codon جا الـ start codon وارتبط في التشكيلة هههه بحيث خلاص يبدون يستقبلون كل tRNA مترتبط بحمض اميني وكل حمض اميني له كود خاص للتعرف عليه على MRNA

#### 2 Elongation :

- A our new tRNA molecule shifts from the A-site to the P-site and now has growing chain of amino acids bound to it and a new tRNA with amino acid will arrive to the A site .
- B the peptide chain is shifted to the amino acid in the A-site and indicate the **newly formed peptide bond** this happened by **peptidyl transferase enzyme** that forms peptide bonds between adjacent amino acids using tRNAs during the translation process of protein biosynthesis then large ribosomal subunit shifts 3' one codon.<sup>3</sup>

في 🗛 قلنا ان الـ RNA اللي كانت ب site مراحث لل site ومعها رابطه ببتبدية trun الجديده عن طريق انزايم اسمه و المالي كانت ب site معها رابطة البيتيدية اللي في powing peptide chain الجديده عن طريق انزايم اسمه و المالي كانت ب site المالي كانت ب site مراحث الرابطة البيتيدية اللي معها الرابطه ببتبدية asite وحث المريق انزايم اسمه و المالي التسم الميني ارتبطت ب site من طريق انزايم اسمه و المالي كانت ب site معها رابطة البيتيدية اللي في site معها رابطه ببتبدية asite وحث المريق انزايم اسمه و المالي كانت ب site المالي كانت ب site المالي كانت ب site اللي كانت ب site من الرابطة البيتيدية اللي معها الرابطه المالي المالي كانت ب site المالي الترابط المالي اللي معها الرابطه المالي المالي المالي الترابي اللي معها الرابطة ب المالي المالي معها الرابطة المالي المالي المالي المالي اللي معها الرابطة بالمالي اللي معها الرابطة المالي اللي معها الرابطة المالي اللي معها الرابطة المالي المالي المالي المالي المالي المالي المالي المالي اللي معها الرابطة المالي اللي معها الرابط ال

- C Small ribosomal subunit follows tRNA that was in P-site now in E-site and tRNA that was in A-site now in P-site.
- D E-site tRNA ejected and new A-site tRNA added.

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#### 3 Termination :

- A When codon in A-site is stop codon (UAG, UAA, or UGA) a release factor is added to the A-site.
- **B** Release factor binding releases the peptide chain and causes ribosome to dissociate.

#### Take home messages



DNA is the genetic material, so it must replicate faithfully and have the coding ability to produce proteins for all cellular functions.



Only one strand of DNA(antisense strand) is transcribed into mRNA



The synthesized mRNA is protected from destruction and prepared for translation through post-transcriptional modification.



mRNA transcription and protein synthesis processes are the same in both prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells with some differences.



Q1 : Which of the follo	owing is true about DNA	4			
A ) Must replicate faithfully	B ) Must have the ability of coding	C ) Produce protein for all cellular functions	D ) All of them are true		
Q2 : An enzyme that binds to DNA sequences called Origins and unwinds DNA strands?					
A) DNA Polymerase	B ) DNA Ligase	C ) DNA Helicase	D ) Telomerases		
Q3 : mRNA has genetic codes for amino acids present in ?					
A ) Polymers	B) Proteins	C ) Enzymes	D ) DNA		
Q4 : In the final step of translation, what binds to the A site ? MCQs Answer key:					
A ) A stop codon	B) A release factor	C ) Methionine	D ) A start codon		
Q5 : DNA replication results in 2 DNA molecules:					
A ) Each with 2 new strands	B) One with two new strands and one with 2 original strands	C ) Each with 2 original strands	D ) Each with one new strand and one original strand.		
Q6 : Addition of a poly (A) tail (a highly conserved AAUAA sequence) at 3' end of mRNA					
A) Capping	B) Polyadenylation	C ) Intron removal	D) Intron removal		



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