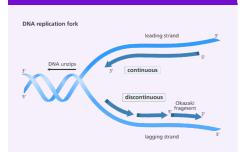


# AP Biology Unit 8: Molecular Biology Cheat Sheet

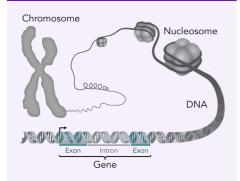
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### **DNA Replication**



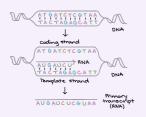
helicases- untwist double helix topoisomerase- breaks, swivels, & rejoins primer- initial stretch of RNA DNA polymerases- adds nucleotides

#### **Chromosome Structure**



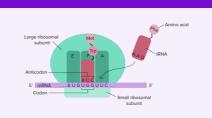
histones make up nucleosomes

#### Transcription



-RNA polymerase synthesizes RNA
-promoter initiates, terminator (bacteria)/polyadenylation sequence (eukaryotes) ends
-TATA box= crucial to initiation complex
-mods: 5' cap, poly-A tail, RNA splicing

### Translation



w/GTP
elongation factors- add amino acids to
chain
release factors- binds to A site codon &
hydrolyzes bond in P site
processing: protein folding & mods

initiation factors- bring components together

#### **Mutations**

| base-pair  | replacement of nucleotide    |
|------------|------------------------------|
| substi-    | w/another; silent=no effect, |
| tutions    | missense=change 1 amino      |
|            | acid, nonsense=changes       |
|            | amino acid codon to stop     |
|            | codon                        |
| insertions | additions or losses of       |
| &          | nucleotide pairs             |

## **Regulation of Genes**

deletions

| operon           | stretch of DNA required for<br>enzyme production (repressible<br>& inducible) |
|------------------|---|
| repressor        | blocks attachment of RNA polymerase   |
| corepr-<br>essor | cooperates w/repressor to turn operon off                                     |
| activator        | stimulates transcription (ex: cAMP)   |
| miRNA,<br>siRNA  | degrades target mRNA, blocks translation                                      |

| Biotechnology |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| restriction   | cut DNA sequences at         |
| enzymes       | palindrome restriction sites |
| ligase        | seals breaks                 |
| vector        | vehicle of DNA to replace    |
|               | or express genetic material  |
| Polymerase    | produces copies of DNA       |
| Chain         | w/o cells                    |
| Reaction      |                              |
| cDNA          | DNA produced w/ reverse      |
|               | transcriptase                |

| Viruses            |  |
|--------------------|--|
| capsid             | protein coat, made of capsomeres                         |
| lytic<br>cycle     | phage enters cell, takes control, replicates, lyses cell |
| lysogenic<br>cycle | viruses replicate w/o destroying host                    |
| prophage           | dormant virus within host genome                         |
| retrovirus         | synthesize cDNA from RNA w/<br>reverse transcriptase     |

| Bacteria                 |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| binary<br>fission        | asexual reproduction (variation w/mutation)          |
| transf-<br>orm-<br>ation | recombination of pieces of DNA into a live bacterium |
| transd-<br>uction        | bacteriophages carry genes host-host                 |
| plasmid                  | foreign, small, circular, self-replicating DNA       |
| conjug-<br>ation         | F plasmid produces sex pilli, allow DNA to transfer  |



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