

# VIROLOGY

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Caveat Emptor

## 0.1. **Esstman.**

- Biology UG
- PhD at Vanderbilt at SOM in Coronaviruses
- This occurred during SARS outbreak 2004
- 8th grade science teaching after PhD
- Postdoc at NIH on rotavirus (5 years)
- UVA SOM (Carilion)
- 2017 came to WFU as part of the BME major with Wake Downtown

Research

- Rotaviruses replication and evolution with a focus on viral genome replication and assembly viral evolution

Kids 13, 14, 15 -> husband Sam

## 0.2. **Exam.**

Will be a take on exam which will tie together topics from the course.

## 0.3. **Central Dogma.**

Central Dogma of Molecular biology- transcription of DNA to RNA which are then translated into proteins.

- Genes
- Machinery

### 0.3.1. *Molecular Virology.*

- Basically just self-genes which take over the cell's machinery
- the structure and function of viral genes at the molecular level
- the mechanism by which viral genes are expressed and regulated

### 0.3.2. *Molecular biology.*

Methods are used in almost any lab that does wet lab work.

## 0.4. **Structure.**

### 0.4.1. *DNA.*

4 nitrogenous bases (A, G, C, T) 2 ring or one ring structure (purine; A and G) 1 ring structure is a pyrimidine; C and T) Base + sugar (5 carbon) = Nucleoside Phosphorylated is a nucleotide (can be up to three) Can be attached at the 3' and 5' (phosphate group attached) where the 3' OH oxygens are present

Two strands run 5' to 3'. Within strand phosphodiester bond (covalent) (G to C; A to T) Hydrogen bond between the two strands

Human genome is 3 Billion base pairs Highly condensed and also functions as a regulatory mechanism

### 0.4.2. *RNA.*

- 4 nitrogenous pairs (A, G, C, U)
- OH on 2' and 3' (Ribose sugar)

- RNA is not fully linear
- RNA will fold based on intramolecular base pairing (A to U; G to C)
- Proteins within the cell will bind
- Many types of RNA some of which can function as catalytic machines (e.g., ribosomes)
- RNA in the ribosomes catalyzes assembly

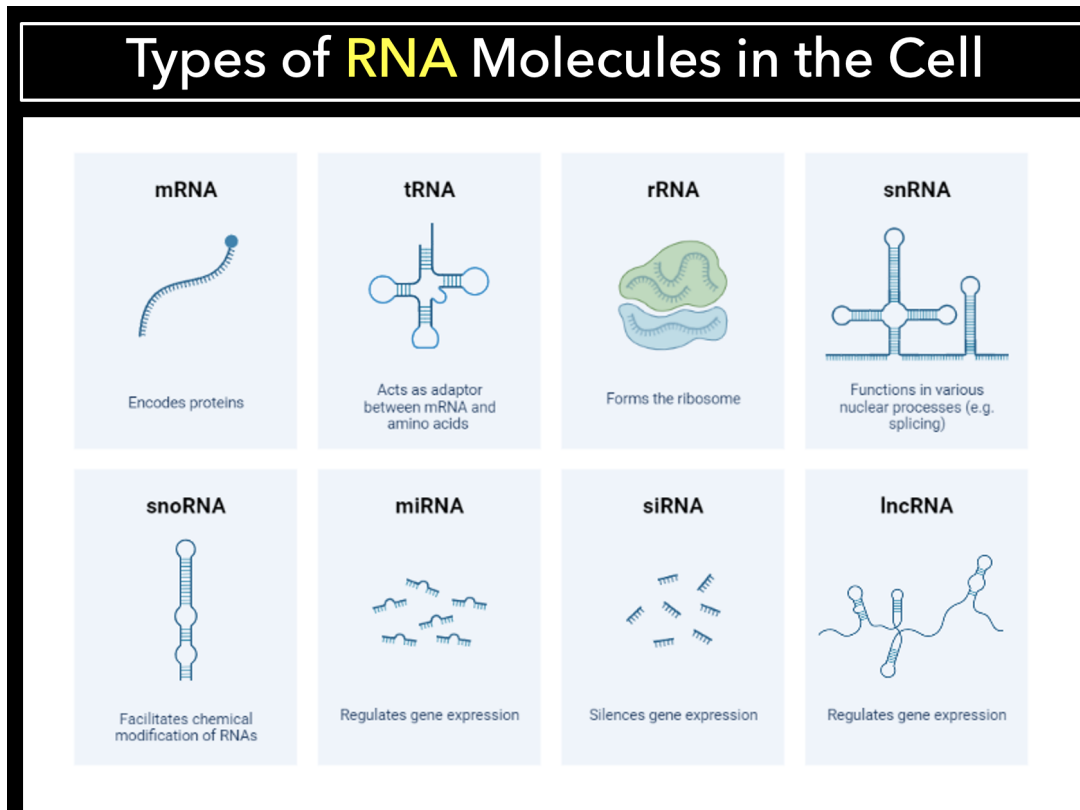


FIGURE 1.

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