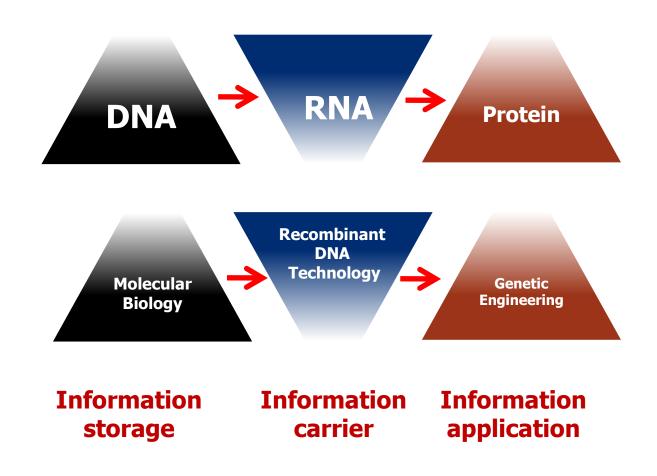
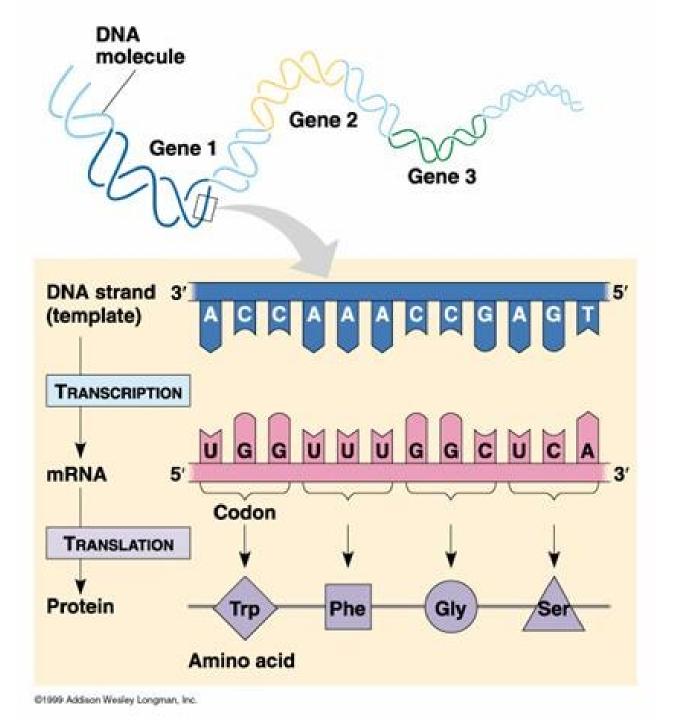


Central dogma of Molecular Biology





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Phenotype

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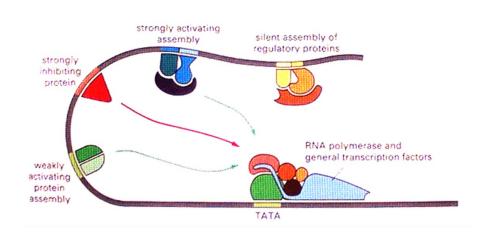
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Complex diseases are more likely to be due to genetic variation in regions that control gene activity than regions that encode proteins

Control of gene expression is important!

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A shift in the way we examine gene function

Classic

Classic direction of genetic study

- Mutant phenotype
 - → protein
 - → geneotype

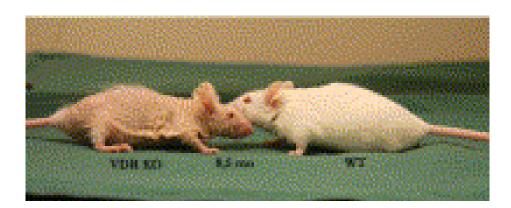
Reverse genetics

- Mutant genotype
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 - → phenotype

Reverse

Knockout mouse example

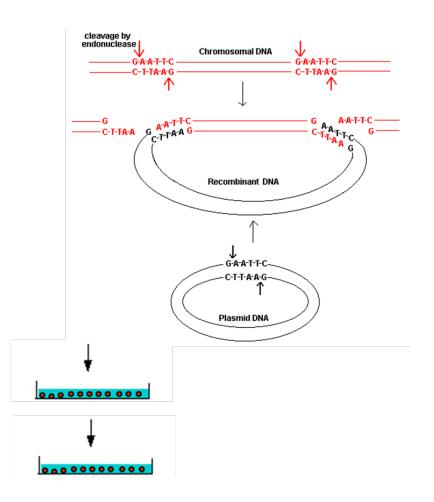
- Vitamin D₃ implicated in premature aging
- Vitamin D₃ receptor (VDR) KO mouse



What is recombinant DNA technology?

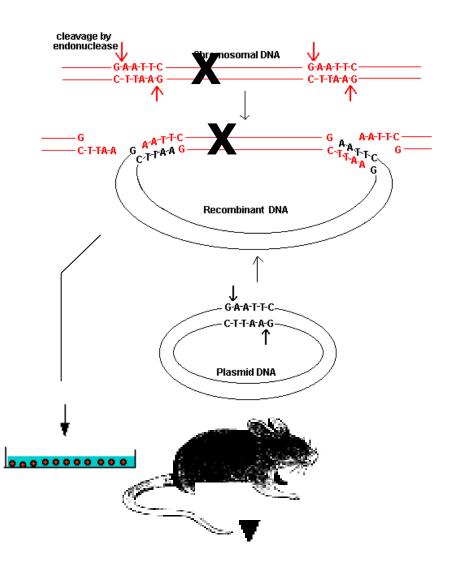
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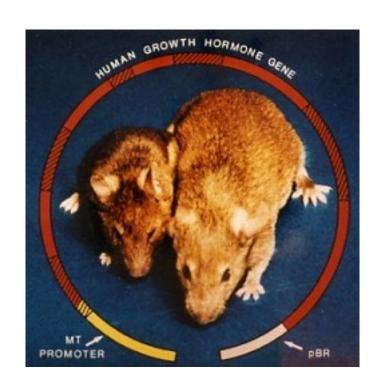


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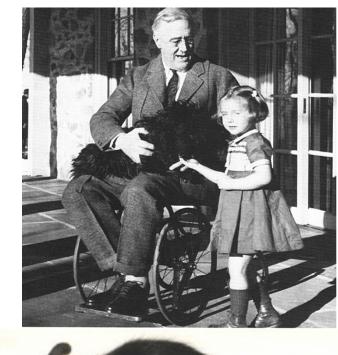


Recombinant DNA technology (cont.)



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Virology Blog, Wikipedia

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Making a transgenic animal

5 major recombinant DNA techniques

Restriction	cutting at a specific site using restriction enzymes
Hybridization	using a specific fragment of DNA or RNA to identify related sequences
Sequencing	determining the nucleotide sequence of a DNA fragment
DNA cloning	taking a single DNA molecule and making billions of identical copies
DNA engineering	altering DNA sequences to modify gene function
DNA microarray	Monitoring the expression of every gene using nucleic acid microarrays

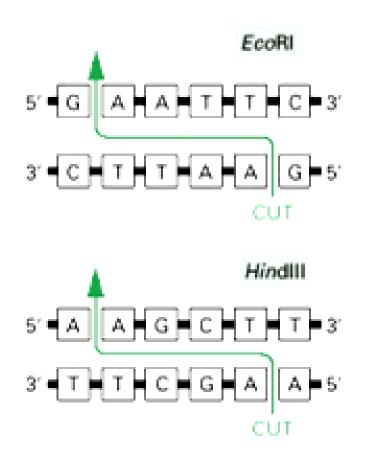
Restriction - isolating the DNA sequence

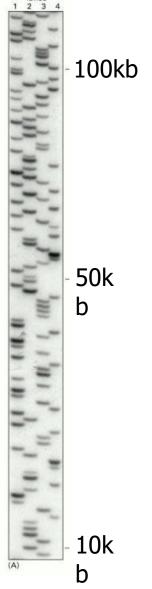
Restriction Endonucleases

BamH1 HindIII EcoR1

... (Alul, Haelll)

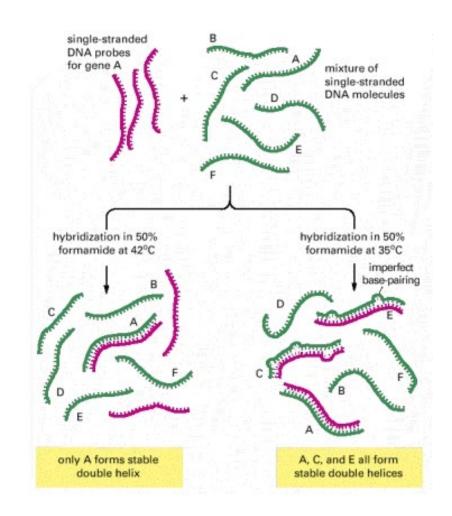
Ligase





Hybridization - detecting a sequence

Hybridization - detecting a sequence (cont.)



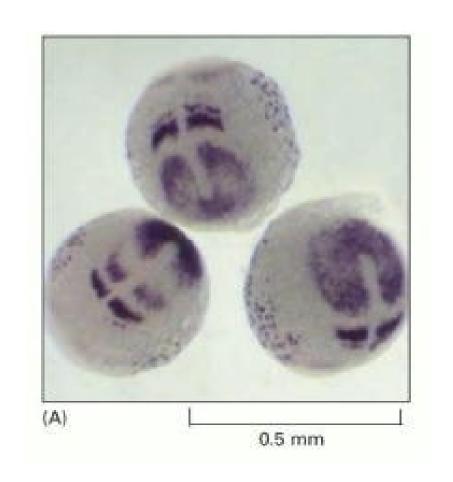
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DNA – DNA

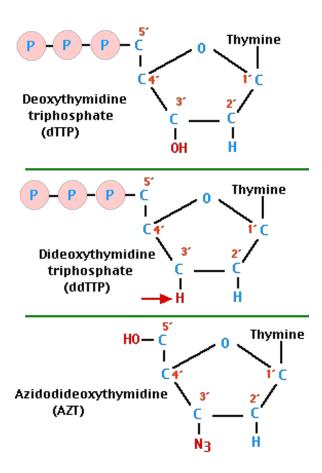
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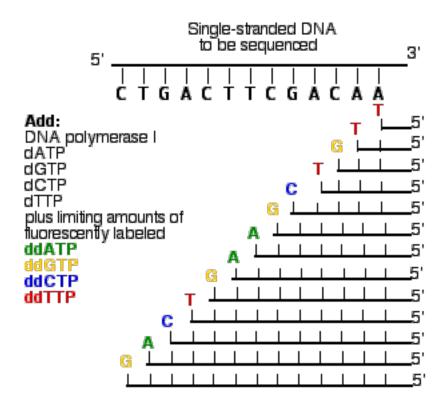


Sequencing - reading the sequence



Sanger or chain termination method

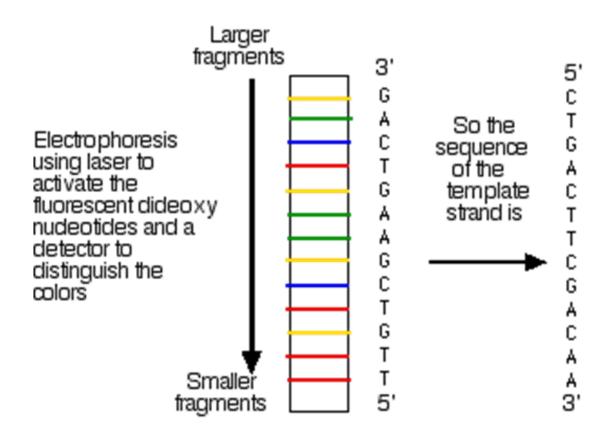
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Sanger or chain termination method

RCN 26

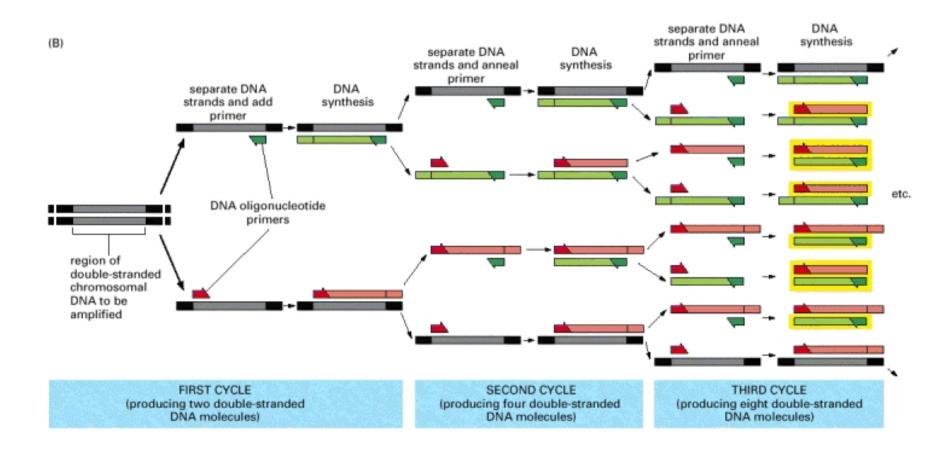
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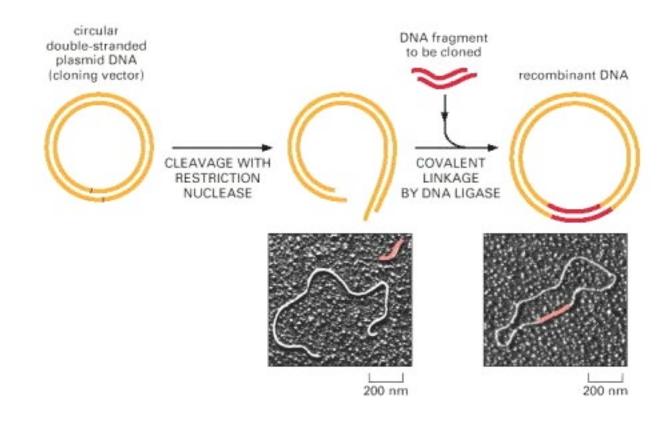
Sanger or chain termination method

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Cloning - copying the DNA sequence

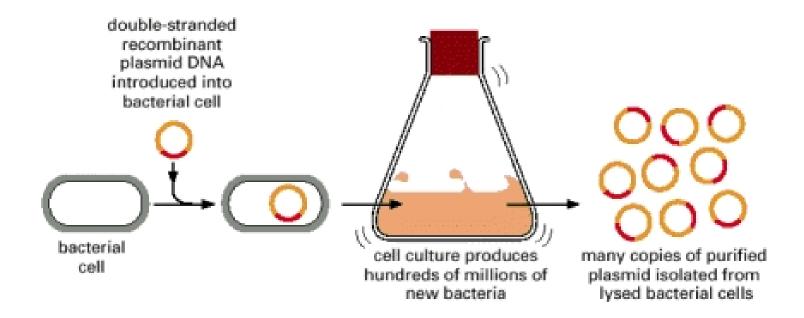


Cloning - copying the DNA sequence



Cloning Vector Technique

Cloning - copying the DNA sequence



Cloning Vector Technique

