DNA, RNA, Recombinant DNA Technology



Chapter 3 Opener Fundamentals of Biochemistry, 2/e

"Metabolic pathways" expanded

(a) Prokaryotic cell



Model organisms: Cellular biology, biochemistry... molecular biology



Viruses

Proteins involved in DNA, RNA, protein synthesis Gene regulation Cancer and control of cell proliferation Transport of proteins and organelles inside cells Infection and immunity Possible gene therapy approaches



Fruit fly (Drosophila melanogaster)

Development of the body plan Generation of differentiated cell lineages Formation of the nervous system, heart, and musculature Programmed cell death Genetic control of behavior Cancer genes and control of cell proliferation Control of cell polarization Effects of drugs, alcohol, pesticides

Developmental biology.....



Fly mutation "eyeless"





(c)



'The fly and you are not much different." 6



Mice, including cultured cells

Development of body tissues Function of mammalian immune system Formation and function of brain and nervous system Models of cancers and other human diseases Gene regulation and inheritance Infectious disease The 'first' science: "technology drives research drives technology dri...





Nucleic Acids - DNA and RNA





Base Formula	Base $(X = H)$	Nucleoside ($X = ribose^a$)	Nucleotide ^b (X = ribose phosphate ^a)	
NH2 N N X	Adenine Ade A	Adenosine Ado A	Adenylic acid Adenosine monophosphate AMP	DNA + RNA
$H_{N} \xrightarrow{O} N_{N}$ $H_{2N} \xrightarrow{N} N_{N}$	Guanine Gua G	Guanosine Guo G	Guanylic acid Guanosine monophosphate GMP	DNA + RNA
NH2 O X	Cytosine Cyt C	Cytidine Cyd C	Cytidylic acid Cytidine monophosphate CMP	DNA + RNA
	Uracil Ura U	Uridine Urd U	Uridylic acid Uridine monophosphate UMP	RNA -
H CH ₃ O A	Thymine Thy T	Deoxythymidine dThd dT	Deoxythymidylic acid Deoxythymidine monophosphate dTMP	DNA 🗕

Table 3-1 Names and Abbreviations of Nucleic Acid Bases, Nucleosides, and Nucleotides

"The presence of a 2'-deoxyribose unit in place of ribose, as occurs in DNA, is implied by the prefixes "deoxy" or "d." For example, the deoxynucleoside of adenine is deoxyadenosine or dA. However, for thymine-containing residues, which rarely occur in RNA, the prefix is redundant and may be dropped. The presence of a ribose unit may be explicitly implied by the prefix "ribo."

^bThe position of the phosphate group in a nucleotide may be explicitly specified as in, for example, 3'-AMP and 5'-GMP.

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Polymerase reaction:

5'-> 3'







Gene expression.





What is a gene?









Eukaryotes - Intron-Exon concept







First position (5' end)	Second position				Third position (3' end)
-	U	С	А	G	
	Phe	Ser	Tyr	Cys	U
U	Phe	Ser	Tyr	Cys	С
	Leu	Ser	Stop	Stop	А
	Leu	Ser	Stop	Trp	G
	Leu	Pro	His	Arg	U
С	Leu	Pro	His	Arg	С
	Leu	Pro	Gln	Arg	А
	Leu	Pro	Gln	Arg	G
	Ile	Thr	Asn	Ser	U
А	lle	Thr	Asn	Ser	С
	Ile	Thr	Lys	Arg	А
	Met	Thr	Lys	Arg	G
	Val	Ala	Asp	Gly	U
G	Val	Ala	Asp	Gly	С
	Val	Ala	Glu	Gly	А
	Val	Ala	Glu	Gly	G

Note: This table identifies the amino acid encoded by each triplet. For example, the codon 5' AUG 3' on mRNA specifies methionine, whereas CAU specifies histidine. UAA, UAG, and UGA are termination signals. AUG is part of the initiation signal, in addition to coding for internal methionine residues.

Recombinant DNA Technology



Definitions

Recombinant DNA, a DNA construct created by fusing different fragments of DNA

Genetic Engineering, the deliberate alteration of DNA through the creation of recombinant DNA

Genetically Modified Organism, a living entity modified through genetic engineering

Transgenic, a genetically modified organism containing DNA from another source

Recombinant DNA Technology



Clones -> Cells or organisms with identical DNA

Restrictionendonucleases

Palindrome









Enzyme	Recognition Sequence ^a	Microorganism
AluI	AG↓CT	Arthrobacter luteus
BamHI	GLGATCC	Bacillus amyloliquefaciens H
BglI	GCCNNNNN↓NGGC	Bacillus globigii
BglII	A↓GATCT	Bacillus globigii
EcoRI	GLAATTC	Escherichia coli RY13
EcoRII	↓CC(^A _T)GG	Escherichia coli R245
EcoRV	GAT↓ATC	Escherichia coli J62 pLG74
HaeII	RGCGCJY	Haemophilus aegyptius
HaeIII	GGLCC	Haemophilus aegyptius
HindIII	ALAGCTT	Haemophilus influenzae R _d
HpaII	CLCGG	Haemophilus parainfluenzae
MspI	CJCGG	Moraxella species
PstI	CŤGCA↓G	Providencia stuartii 164
PvuII	CAG↓CŤG	Proteus vulgaris
SalI	G↓TCGAC	Streptomyces albus G
TaqI	T↓CGA	Thermus aquaticus
XhoI	CJTCGAG	Xanthomonas holcicola

 Table 3-2
 Recognition and Cleavage Sites of Some Restriction Enzymes

^{*a*}The recognition sequence is abbreviated so that only one strand, reading 5' to 3', is given. The cleavage site is represented by an arrow (\downarrow). R, Y, and N represent a purine nucleotide, a pyrimidine nucleotide, and any nucleotide, respectively.

Source: Roberts, R.J. and Macelis, D., REBASE—the restriction enzyme database, http://rebase.neb.com.

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Gel Electrophoresis



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X-Ray structure of a complex of ethidium bromid with DNA.



Construction of a restriction map.





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Restriction map for the 5243-bp circular DNA of SV40.





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Construction of a recombinant DNA molecule through the use of synthetic oligonucleotide adaptors





Plasmid Cloning Vectors



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Insertional inactivation

Gene in cloning site:

- LacZ -> pUC18 (lacZ complements the host defect in lacZ)
 - -> pUC18 into host organism -> active *lac*Z (β-galactosidase) from plasmid-> cleavage of X-gal (blue colonies)
 - -> gene cloned into polylinker -> lacZ gene disrupted -> no cleavage of X-gal (white colonies)



Blue/White Selection



Insertional inactivation

Gene in cloning site:

- Resistance marker -> pBR322 (cloning sites within antibiotica resistence marker)
 - -> plasmid into host -> resistance against 2 antibiotica
 - -> gene cloned within one resistance marker -> gene for antibiotica resistance marker disrupted -> sensitive against one antibioticum





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Transformation and Selection



Horizontal gene transfer

- Transformation -> uptake of naked DNA (chemical transformation, electroporation)
- Conjugation -> DNA transfer by cell cell contact
- Transduction -> DNA transfer by bacteriopage infection

Other methods of Gene transfer -> used with fungi, animal and plant cells:

- Microinjection
- protoplasts

Bacteriophages



Electron micrograph of the filamentous bacteriophage M13.



Electron micrograph of bacteriophage λ .

Bacteriophage T2 injecting its DNA into an E. coli



Life Cycle of Bacteriophage







Replication of bacteriophage upon infection of a cell







Each plaque represents cell lysis initiated by one viral particle (agar restricts movement so that virus can infect only contiguous cells)

Molecular genetics and bacteriophage





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Plaque (b)



Cloning of foreign DNA in λ phages.



What is a gene library ?



Creation of Libraries



Creation of Libraries



Sizes of Some DNA Molecules.

	Number of base pairs (kb) ^a	Contour length (µm)
Organism		
Viruses		
Polyoma, SV40	5.2	1.7
λ Bacteriophage	48.6	17
T2, T4, T6 bacteriophage	166	55
Fowlpox	280	193
Bacteria		
Mycoplasma hominis	760	260
Escherichia coli	4,600	1,600
Eukaryotes		
Yeast (in 17 haploid chromosomes)	12,000	4,100
Drosophila (in 4 haploid chromosomes)	180,000	61,000
Human (in 23 haploid chromosomes)	3,200,000	1,100,000
Lungfish (in 19 haploid chromosomes)	102,000,000	35,000,000

 a kb = kilobase pair = 1000 base pairs (bp).

Source: Mainly Kornberg, A. and Baker, T.A., DNA Replication (2nd ed.), p. 20, Freeman (1992).

Vector system	Host cell	Insert capacity (kb)
Plasmid	E. coli	0.1–10
Bacteriophage λ	$\lambda/E.$ coli	10-20
Cosmid	E. coli	35–45
Bacteriophage P1	E. coli	80-100
BAC	E. coli	50-300
P1 bacteriophage-derived artificial chromosome	E. coli	100-300
Yeast artificial chromosome	Yeast	100-2,000
Human artificial chromosome	Cultured human cells	>2,000

Table 4.6 Insert capacities of some commonly used vector systems



Cosmid = Cos - Plasmid






Fragmentation of genomic DNA





cDNA synthesis



DNA Library



Clones -> genetically identical

Genomic phage library



Evaluation of library

Box 7.1	Estimates of the required size of genomic libraries				
Organism	Genome size	Vector type	Insert size	Р	Library size
Bacterium	4×10^6 bases	plasmid	4 kb	0.99	4.6×10^{3}
		lambda replacement	18 kb	0.99	1.0×10^{3}
		cosmid	40 kb	0.99	458
		BAC	300 kb	0.99	59
Mammal	3×10^9 bases	plasmid	4 kb	0.99	3.5×10^{6}
		lambda replacement	18 kb	0.99	7.7×10^{5}
		cosmid	40 kb	0.99	3.5×10^{5}
		BAC	300 kb	0.99	4.6×10^4

The values shown for the genome sizes of bacteria and mammals are examples for the purpose of this calculation. The actual genome sizes vary quite widely from one organism to another. The insert sizes for specific vectors will also vary.

Evaluation of library



Ordered library



→ Microarrays

Ordered library



Different ways to clone a gene



Bacterial host engineering



Escherichia coli (E. coli) is a type of bacteria normally found in the intestines of people and animals.

Although most strains of E. coli are harmless, some can cause illness or even death. The most serious form is E. coli 0157:H7.

> E. coli leads to about **73,000 cases of infection** and **61 deaths** each year in the United States.



E.Coli K12 strain has been used for further engineering The K12 strain was first isolated in 1921 from the stool of a malaria patient and it has been maintained in laboratory stocks as a pure strain for the last 75 years.

NIH Recombinant Advisory Committee (RAC) (1973)

Asilomar Conference on Recombinant DNA (February 1975)







Every strain comes with description of its genotype: DH5alpha (recA-; hsdR-; Laclq; uvrA-; mcrA-.....)

Most strain in molecular biology are recAsendA- hsdR-

Additional changes in K12 E.coli for ease of the laboratory practice

1. Bacterial restriction modification systems have been removed.

(To prevent its interferention with the replication of foreign DNA in bacteria).

hsdR/hsdM/hsdS (EcoK) restriction system

Degrades DNA not methylated at the sequence 5'-AAC-(N)5-GTGC-3'

hsdM recognises unmethylated DNA hsdM is also involved in methylation of DNA hsdR encodes an endonulease hsdS encodes DNA sequence specific protein

hsdR- or *hsdS- mutants* facilitate propagation of any foreign DNA

mcrA/mcrB/mrr complex

E.coli DNA is methylated by *dcm, dam* and *hsdM*

mcrA/mcrB/mrr cleaves DNA methylated by other systems

*-mcrA-/mcrB*strains are good for cloning eukaryotic DNA Additional changes in K12 E.coli for ease of the laboratory practice

2. DNA recombination systems are modified to prevent rearrangements (RecA-)

(to prevent deletions and rearrangements) recA is a core recombination protein recA- strains allow cloning of repetitive sequences recA-/recB-/recC- are enhanced strains with very low recombination efficiency

uvrC/umuC are involved in DNA repair uvrC-/umuC- are good for cloning of inverted repeats

3. Endonuclease activity has been mutated (EndA-)
(to increase plasmid yields and improve the quality of DNA – no nicks)

Transformation of plasmid DNA in competent *E. coli* cells



Transformation of plasmid DNA to competent *E. coli* cells

- -- Electroporation and electroporation-competent cells
- -- Heat shock transformation and chemically competent cells



Calcium/phosphate (heat shock) method



During the incubation on ice, DNA binds to the surface of the bacterium as a calcium-phosphate-DNA complex

Following a sudden increase in temperature, one or more DNA molecules bound to the surface of the cell is taken up by the competent cell.

www.bch.msu.edu/bchug/web/

Conjugation Lederberg Monod







•F- to F+ •100 minutes •4000 genes