

LGN5809 - Genética Molecular

INTRODUÇÃO À GENÉTICA MOLECULAR

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SUMÁRIO

- LGN5809 – como será?
- Conteúdo programático
- Entendendo o que é genética molecular
- Aplicações da genética molecular
- Próxima aula

- Objetivo da disciplina – formação e não somente informação;
- Material disponível no e-Disciplinas;
- Participação ativa dos pós-graduandos;
- Relatórios semanais;
- Apresentação de seminários;
- Trabalho final.



CONTEÚDO PROGRAMÁTICO

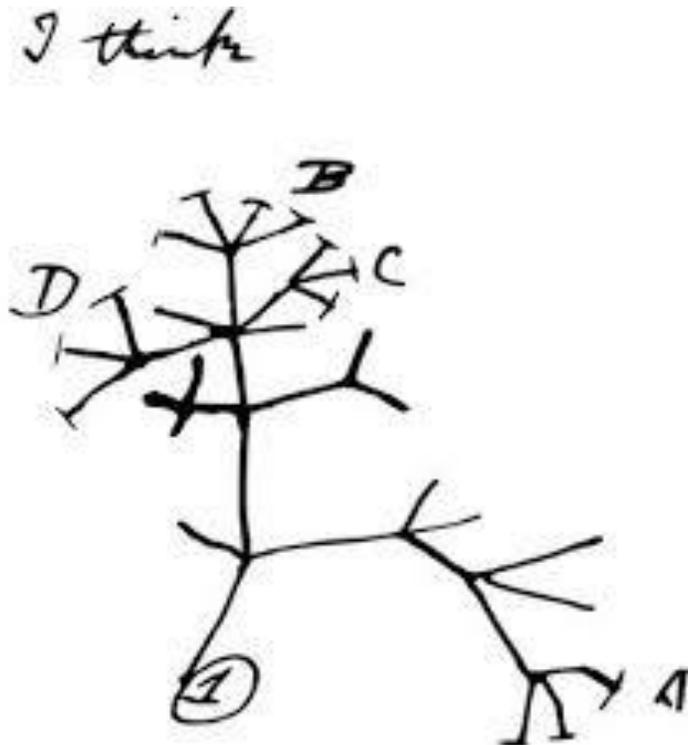
- 22 de Março** – Introdução à Genética Molecular
- 29 de Abril** – Moléculas Celulares: Um Enfoque Nas Proteínas
- 6 de Abril** – Mecanismos Básicos Da Genética Molecular
- 12 de Abril** – Arquitetura Genômica: Dos Genes Ao Genoma
- 19 de Abril**– Sinalização Celular
- 26 de Abril** – Controle Da Expressão Gênica Em Procariotos
- 3 de Maio** - Controle Do Início Da Transcrição Em Eucariotos
- 10 de Maio** – Epigenética de Plantas (Prof. Mateus Mondin)
- 17 de Maio** – Controle Pós Transcricional Da Expressão Gênica
- 24 de Maio** – Controle Pós Traducional Da Expressão Gênica
- 31 de Maio** – Processamento e direcionamento de proteínas
- 7 de Junho** -- Controle Genético Do Ciclo Celular
- 14 de Junho** –RNA de Interferência
- 21 de Junho** – CRISPR-Cas9 – Evolução ou engenharia genética?
- 28 de Junho**– Biologia sintética
- 19 de Julho** -- **Entrega final dos relatórios e trabalho**

O QUE É GENÉTICA MOLECULAR?

A **genética molecular** é a área da biologia que estuda a **estrutura e a função dos genes a nível molecular**. A genética molecular usa os métodos da genética e da biologia molecular para compreender padrões herdáveis nos seres vivos!

Adaptado:

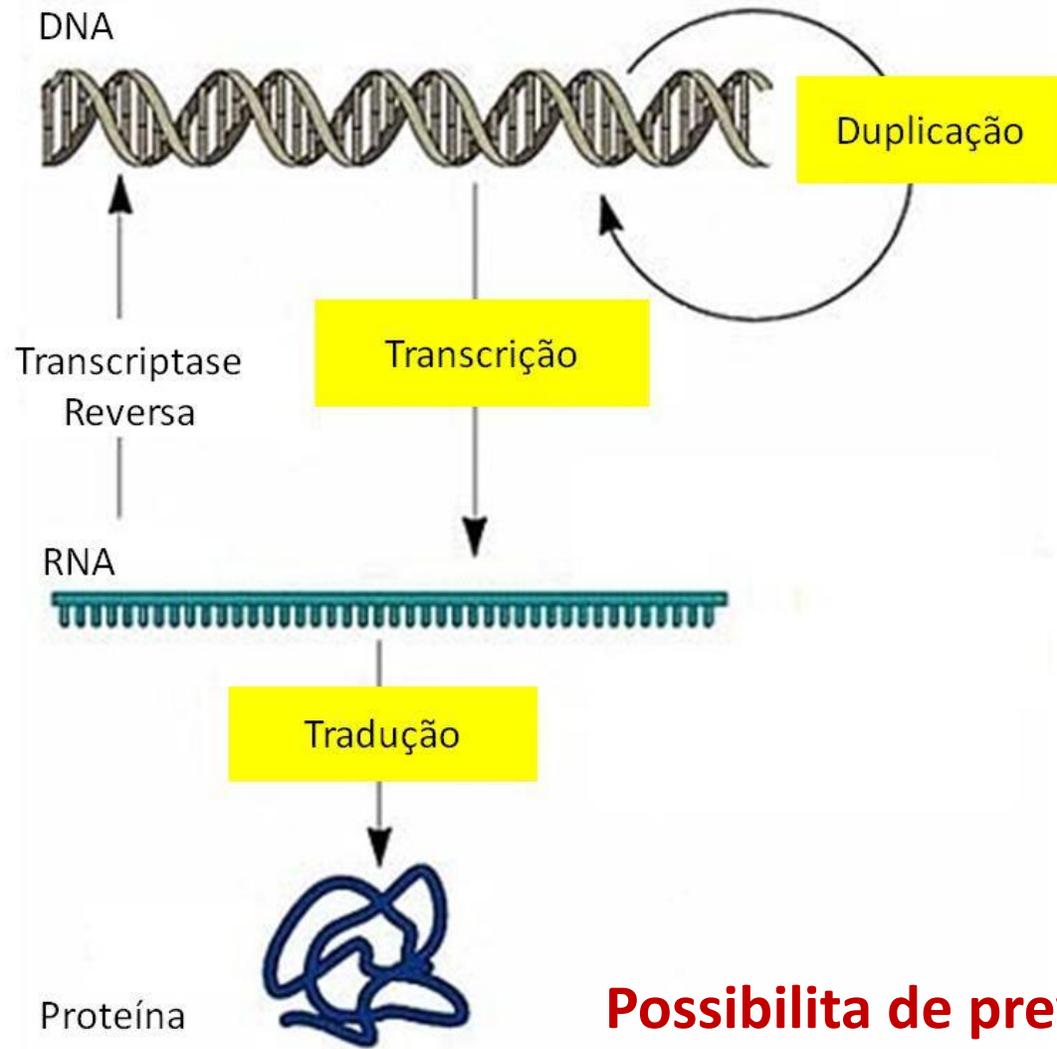
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MENDEL: FATORES CONSTANTES QUE CONTROLAM CARACTERÍSTICAS FENOTÍPICAS

Mas porque a semente é lisa ou rugosa?

MAQUINÁRIA “CONSERVADA”



Possibilita de prever padrões de descendência!

MAS NÃO É TÃO SIMPLES...

Gene → efeito fenotípico

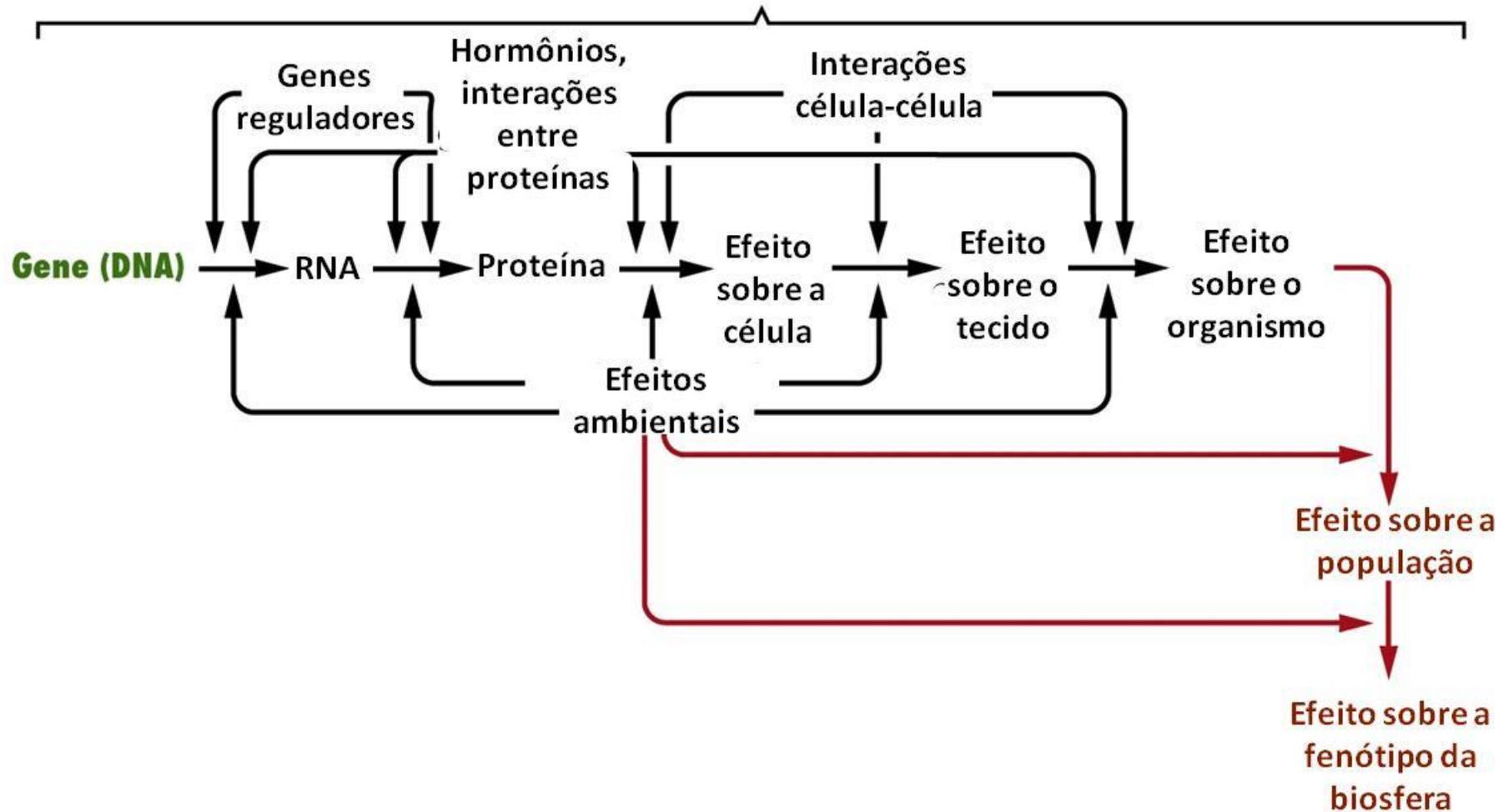


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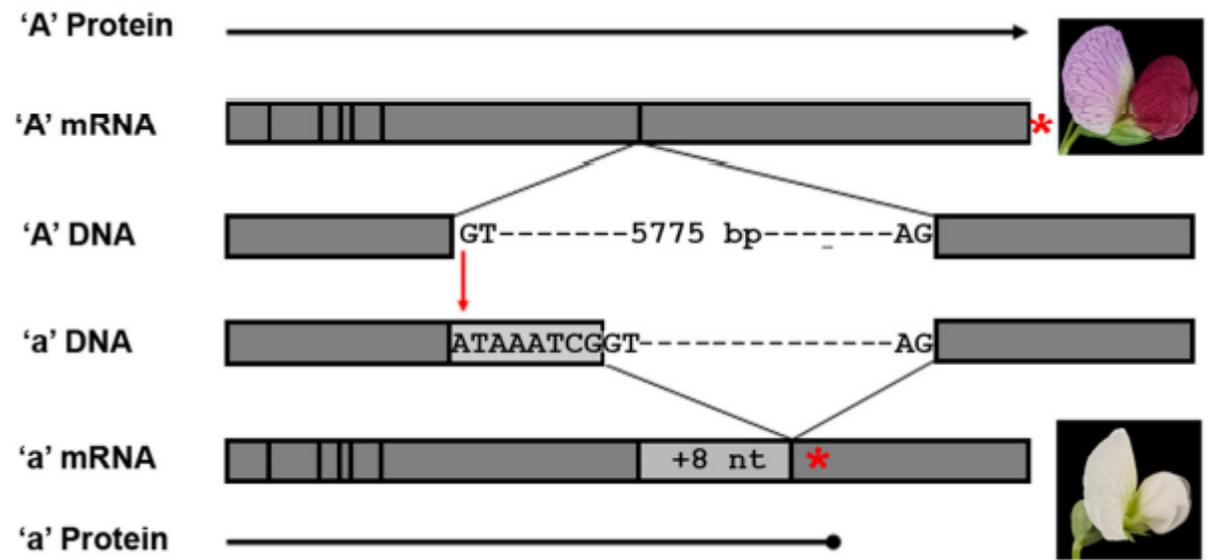
VOLTANDO À GENÉTICA MENDELIANA...



**Qual a sequência do gene? Localização no genoma?
Características do promotor? Expressão é
constitutiva?**

Identification of Mendel's White Flower Character

Roger P. Hellens¹, Carol Moreau², Kui Lin-Wang¹, Kathy E. Schwinn³, Susan J. Thomson⁴, Mark W. E. J. Fiers⁴, Tonya J. Frew⁴, Sarah R. Murray⁴, Julie M. I. Hofer², Jeanne M. E. Jacobs⁴, Kevin M. Davies³, Andrew C. Allan¹, Abdelhafid Bendahmane⁵, Clarice J. Coyne⁶, Gail M. Timmerman-Vaughan⁴, T. H. Noel Ellis^{2*}



Mendel's Genes: Toward a Full Molecular Characterization

James B. Reid and John J. Ross¹

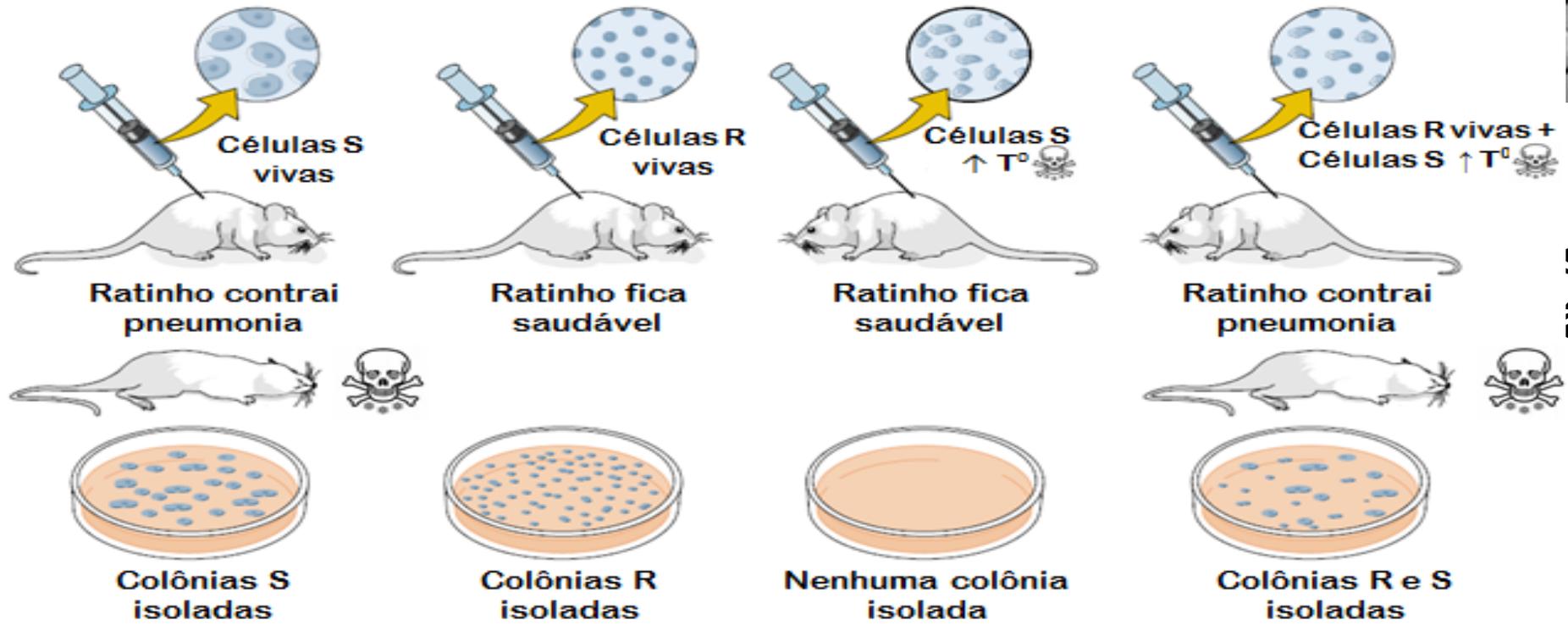
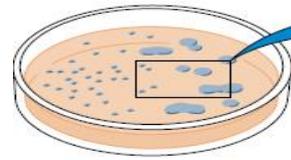
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Table 1 Seven characters of *P. sativum* examined by Mendel and a summary of the genes, phenotypes, and presumed mutations involved

Trait	Dominant phenotype	Recessive phenotype	Symbol group	Linkage group	Cloned	Gene function	Molecular nature of mutation
Seed shape	Round	Wrinkled	<i>R</i>	V	Yes	Starch branching enzyme 1	0.8-kb insertion
Stem length	Tall	Dwarf	<i>LE</i>	III	Yes	GA 3-oxidase1	G-to-A substitution
Cotyledon color	Yellow	Green	<i>I</i>	I	Yes	Stay-green gene	6-bp insertion
Seed coat/flower color	Purple	White	<i>A</i>	II	Yes	bHLH transcription factor	G-to-A at splice site
Pod color	Green	Yellow	<i>GP</i>	V	No	Chloroplast structure in pod wall	Unknown
Pod form	Inflated	Constricted	<i>V?</i>	III	No	Sclerenchyma formation in pods	Unknown
Position of flowers	Axial	Terminal	<i>FA</i>	IV	No	Meristem function	Unknown

References are given in the text.

1928 - Frederick Griffith



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QUAL É O PRINCÍPIO TRANSFORMANTE?

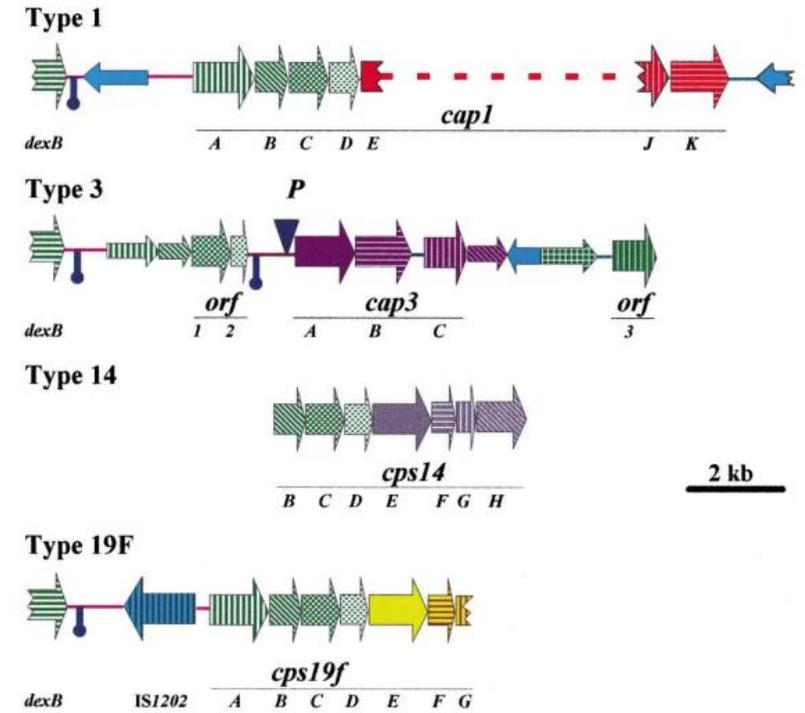
MiniReview

Molecular biology of the capsular genes of
Streptococcus pneumoniae

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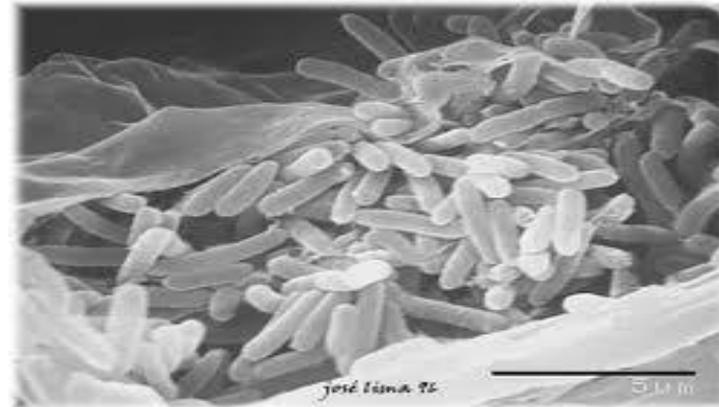
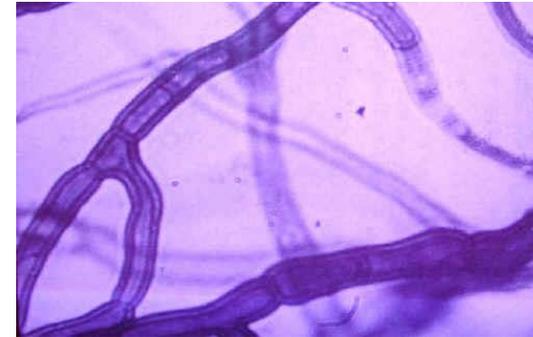
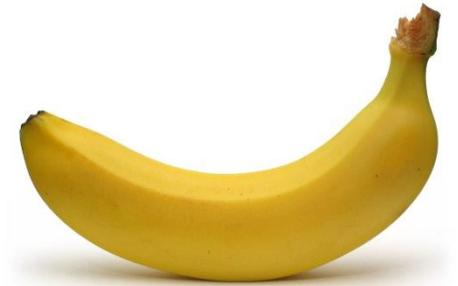
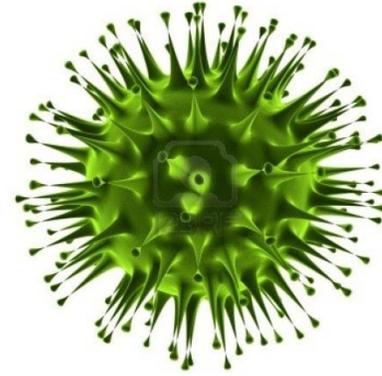
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Transformation of nonencapsulated
Streptococcus pneumoniae
during systemic infection

Jessica L. Bradshaw^{1,2}, Iftekhar M. Rafiqullah¹, D. Ashley Robinson¹ & Larry S. McDaniel^{1,✉}

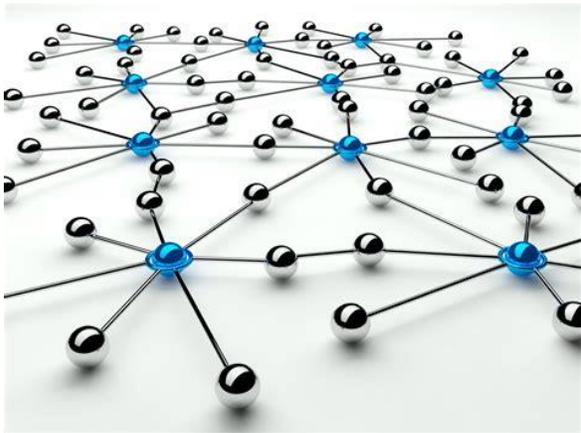
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O ORGANISMO ESTUDADO FAZ TODA A DIFERENÇA!



VÁRIOS FATORES DEVEM SER CONSIDERADOS

- Tipo celular



- Classificação taxonômica

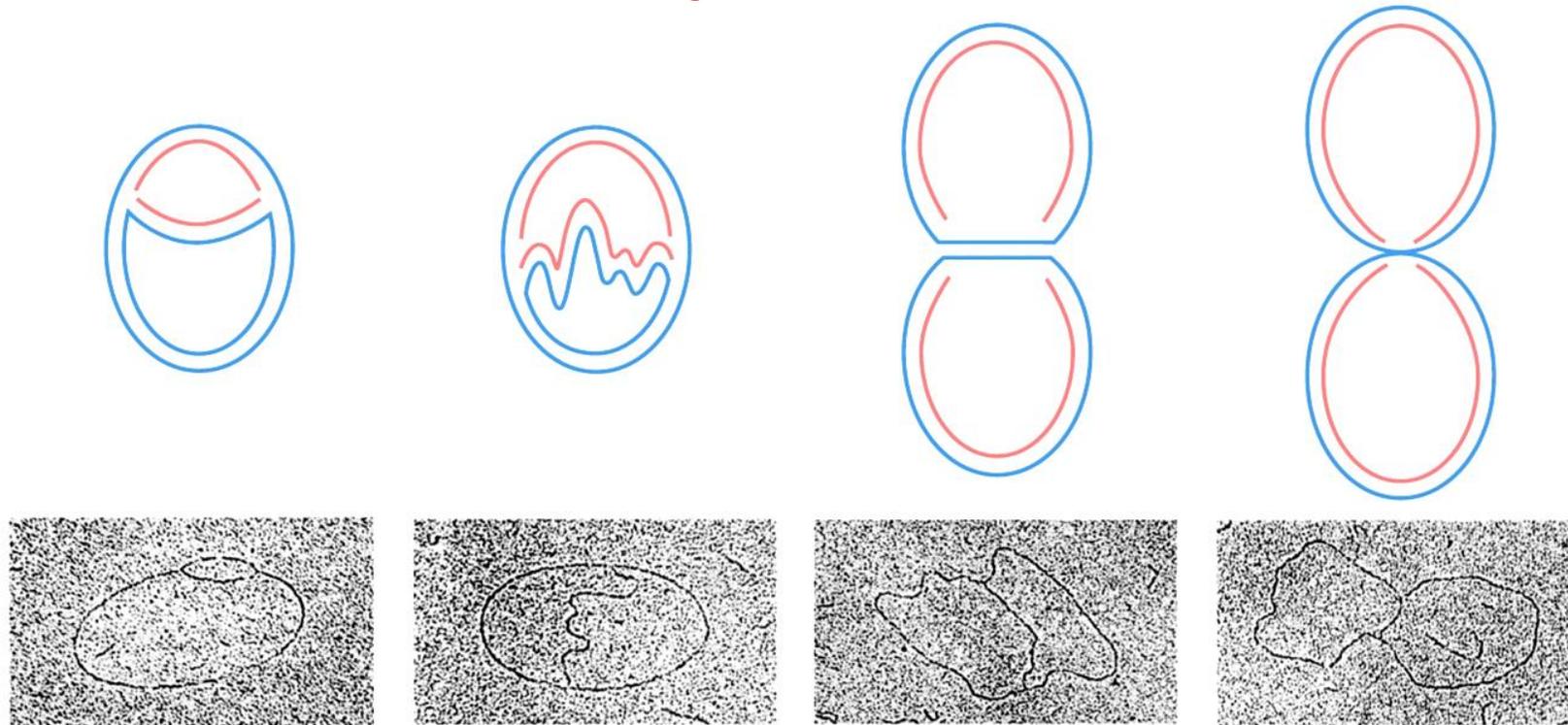
- Padrão de herança genética

- Tamanho e arquitetura do genoma

- Tipo de reprodução

e outros...

PROCARIOTOS- REPLICAÇÃO É ÚNICA E BIDIRECIONAL



- A velocidade da forquilha de replicação de procarioto é cerca de 30.000 pb/min
- Poucos replicons...
- Fita líder com genes constitutivos

MECANISMOS CONSERVADOS... MAS NEM TANTO...

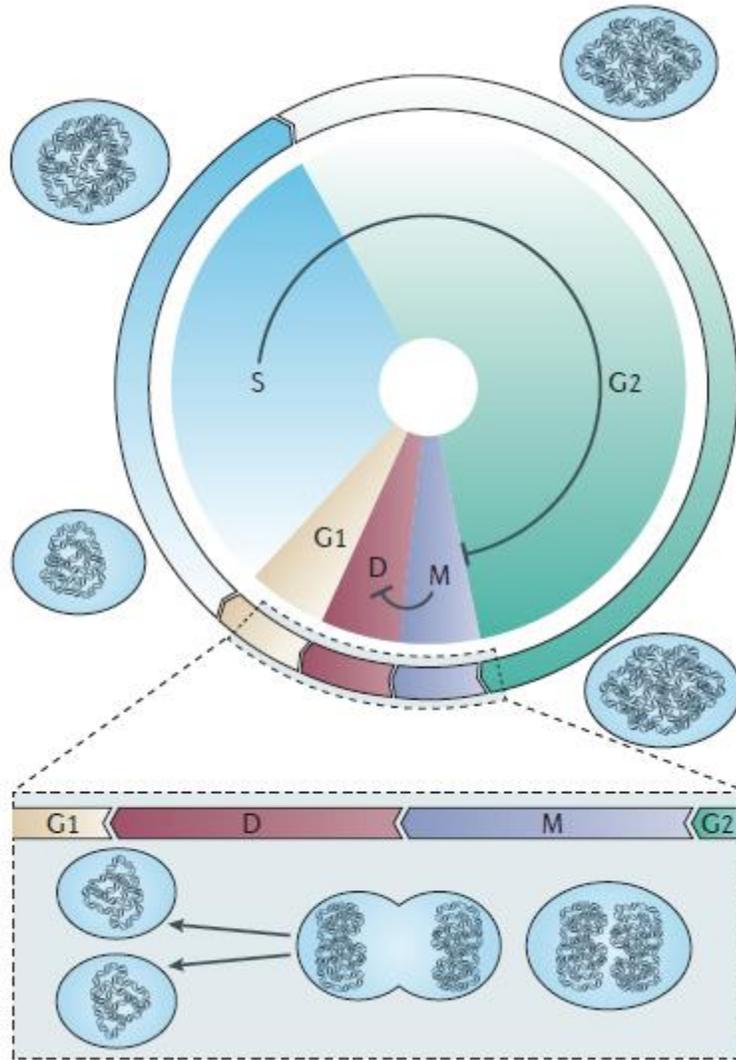
Table 1 | **Factors involved in bacterial replication initiation**

Factor	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	<i>Caulobacter crescentus</i>
Initiator	DnaA	DnaA	DnaA
Helicase	DnaB	DnaC	DnaB
Helicase loader	DnaC	DnaI, DnaB and DnaD	?
Regulatory factors	SeqA and Hda	YabA	CtrA
DNA architectural factors	HU, IHF and Fis	DnaB and DnaD	IHF

For historical reasons, the *B. subtilis* homologue of *E. coli* DnaB is named DnaC, while DnaC is termed DnaI. *B. subtilis* DnaB is unrelated to the *E. coli* replicative helicase. Fis, factor for inversion stimulation; IHF, integration host factor.

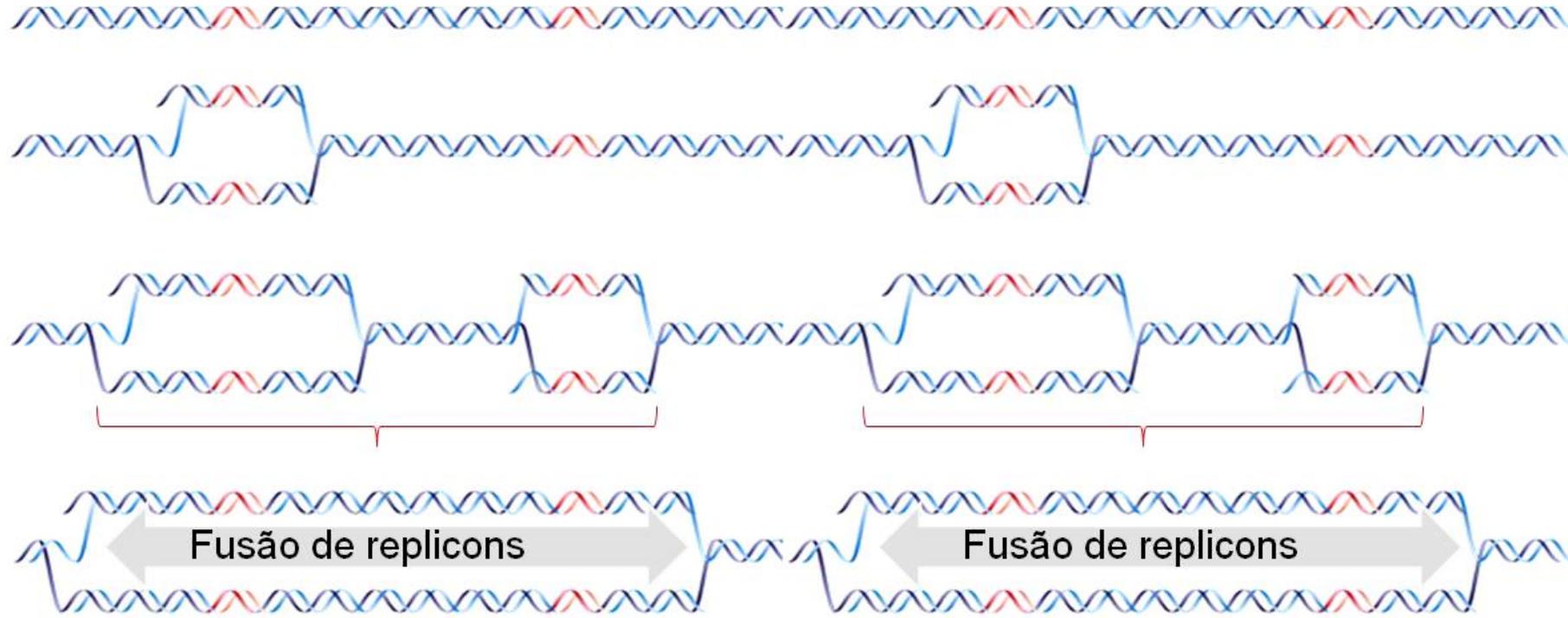
dnaA – mais conservada

Outros genes dependente da espécie ...



**Arquéia ciclo
celular com
eventos parecido
com de eucariotos**

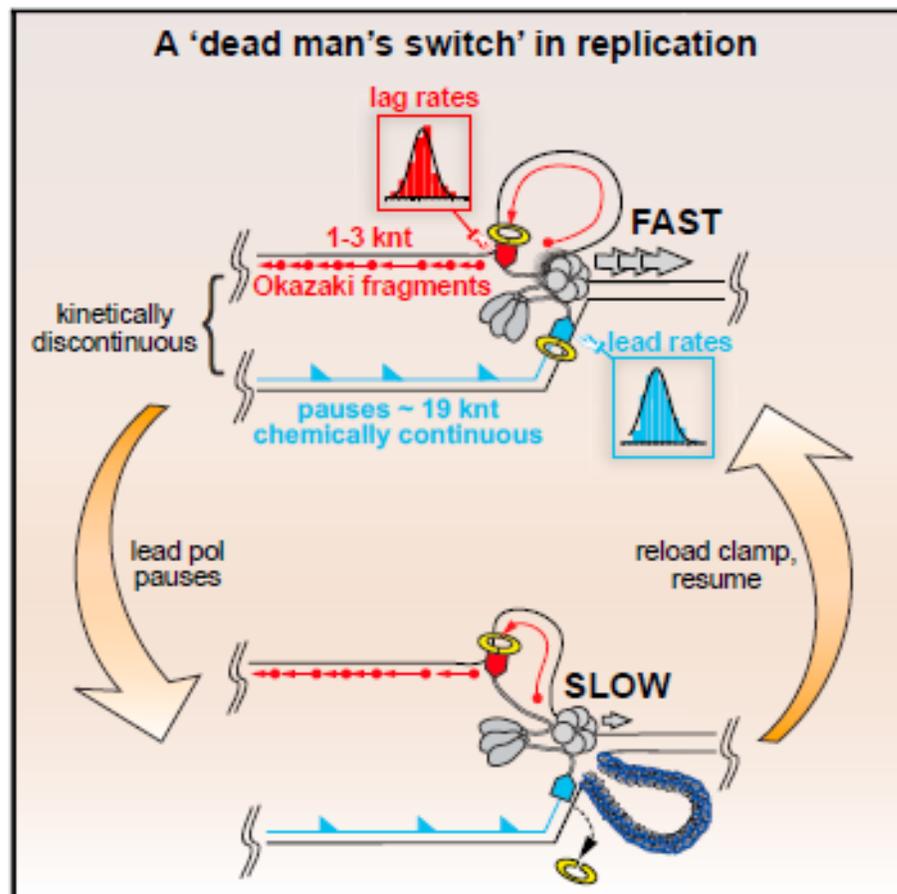
EUCARIOTOS..VÁRIAS FORQUILHAS DE REPLICAÇÃO



- A velocidade da forquilha de replicação de eucarioto é cerca de 3.000 pb/min;
- Os replicons de eucariotos têm cerca de 40-100 kb e são iniciados em tempos diferentes. (não sabemos todos os fatores que determinam qual origem e em que momento ela fica ativa - O *timing* da replicação pode, por ex. ser determinado pela atividade do gene: genes mais transcritos são replicados primeiro).

Independent and Stochastic Action of DNA Polymerases in the Replisome

Graphical Abstract



Authors

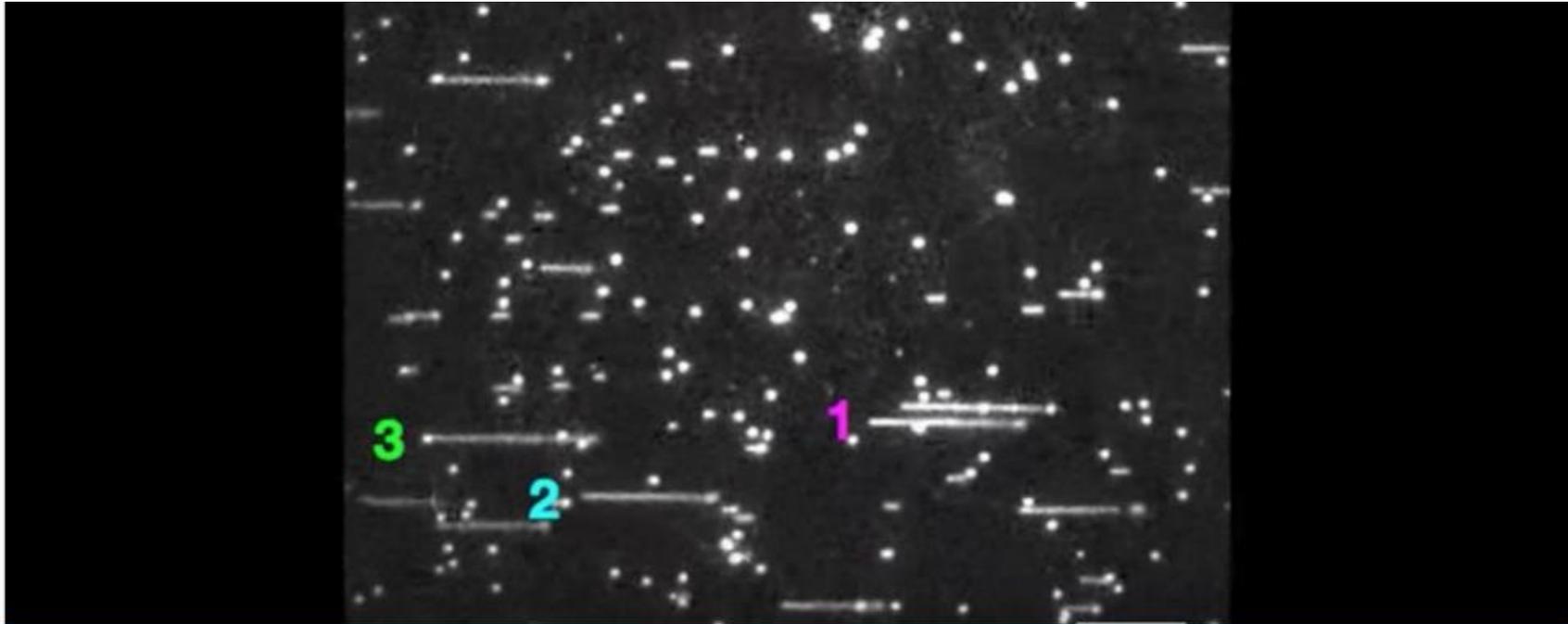
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In Brief

Polymerases within the replisome operate independently and discontinuously, and they are not coordinated.



James Graham/UC Davis

DNA Replication Has Been Filmed For The First Time, And It's Not What We Expected

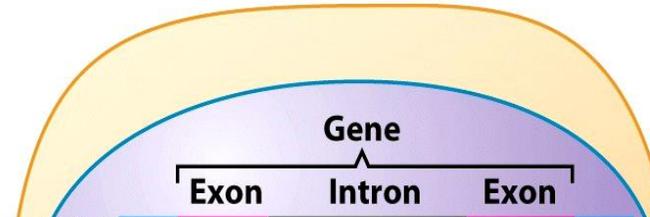
"It undermines a great deal of what's in the textbooks."

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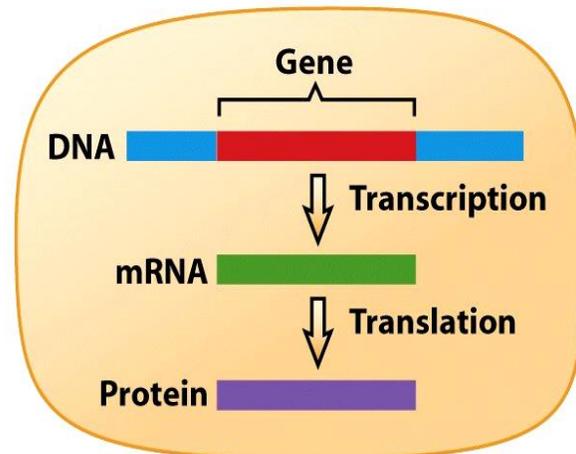
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TRANSCRIÇÃO – as diferenças parecem aumentar!!!

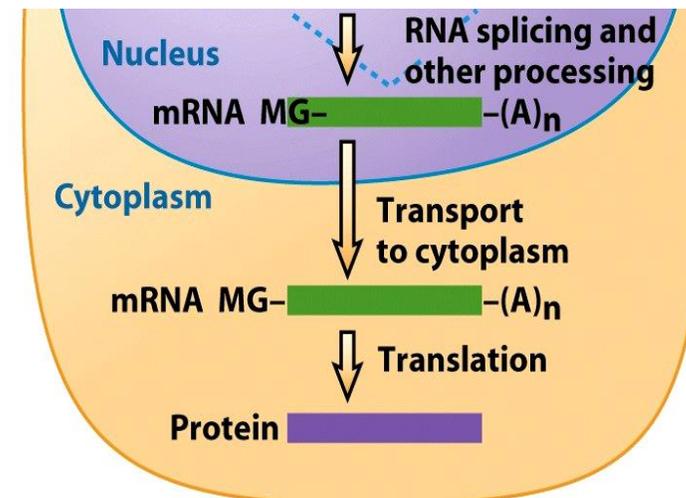
- ✓ Nos **eucariotos** a transcrição ocorre no núcleo, enquanto a tradução ocorre no citoplasma.
- ✓ Já nos **procariotos** tal separação celular não existe, sendo os dois processos acoplados.



Vital importância no controle de expressão!!!



(a) Prokaryotes.



(b) Eukaryotes.

GENE TÍPICO DE PROCARIOTOS

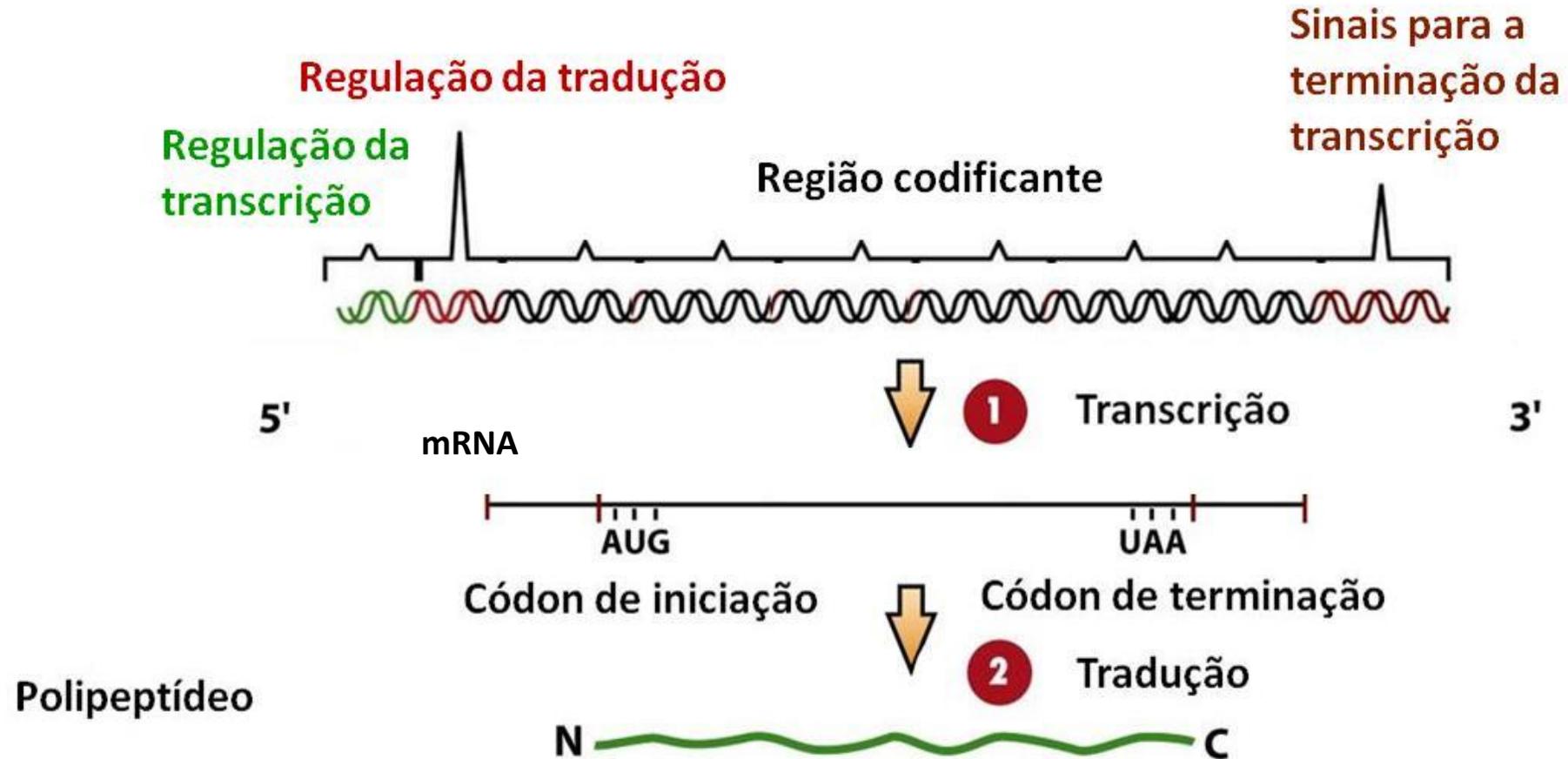
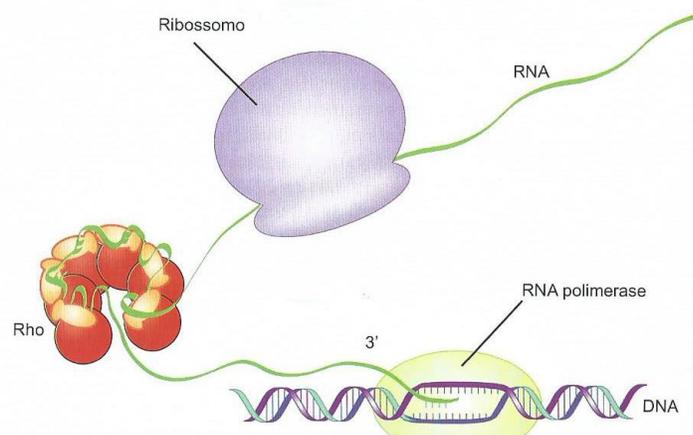
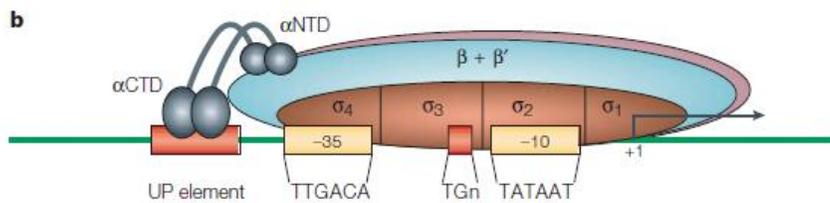
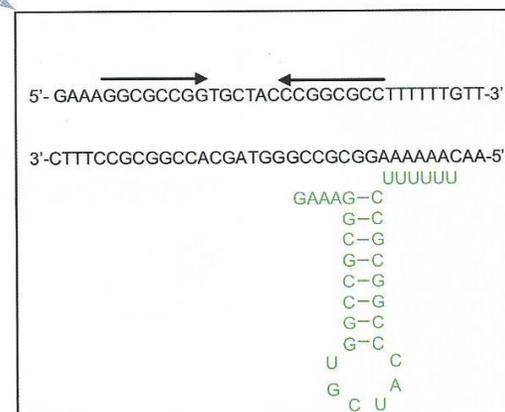
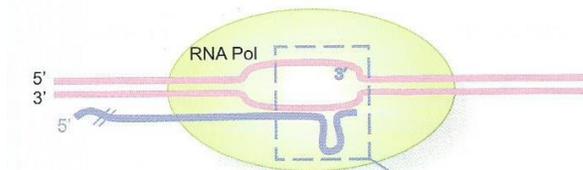
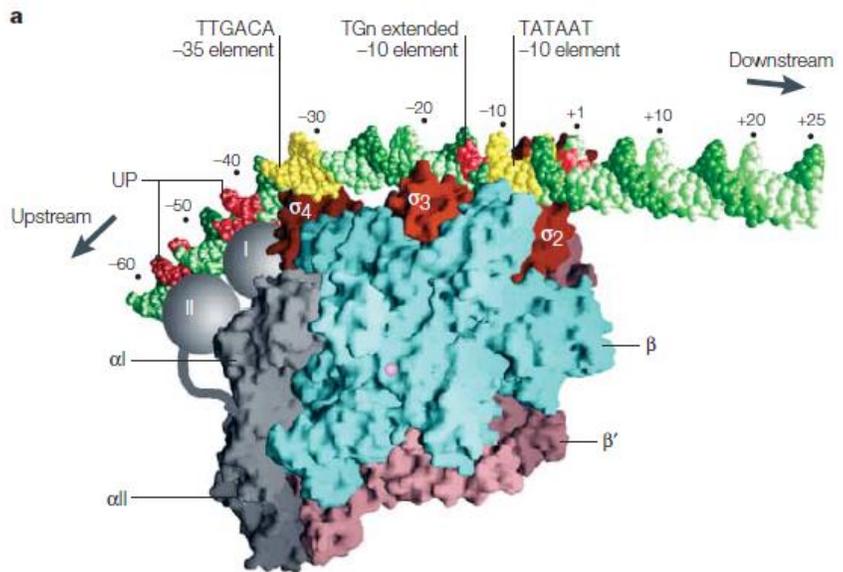
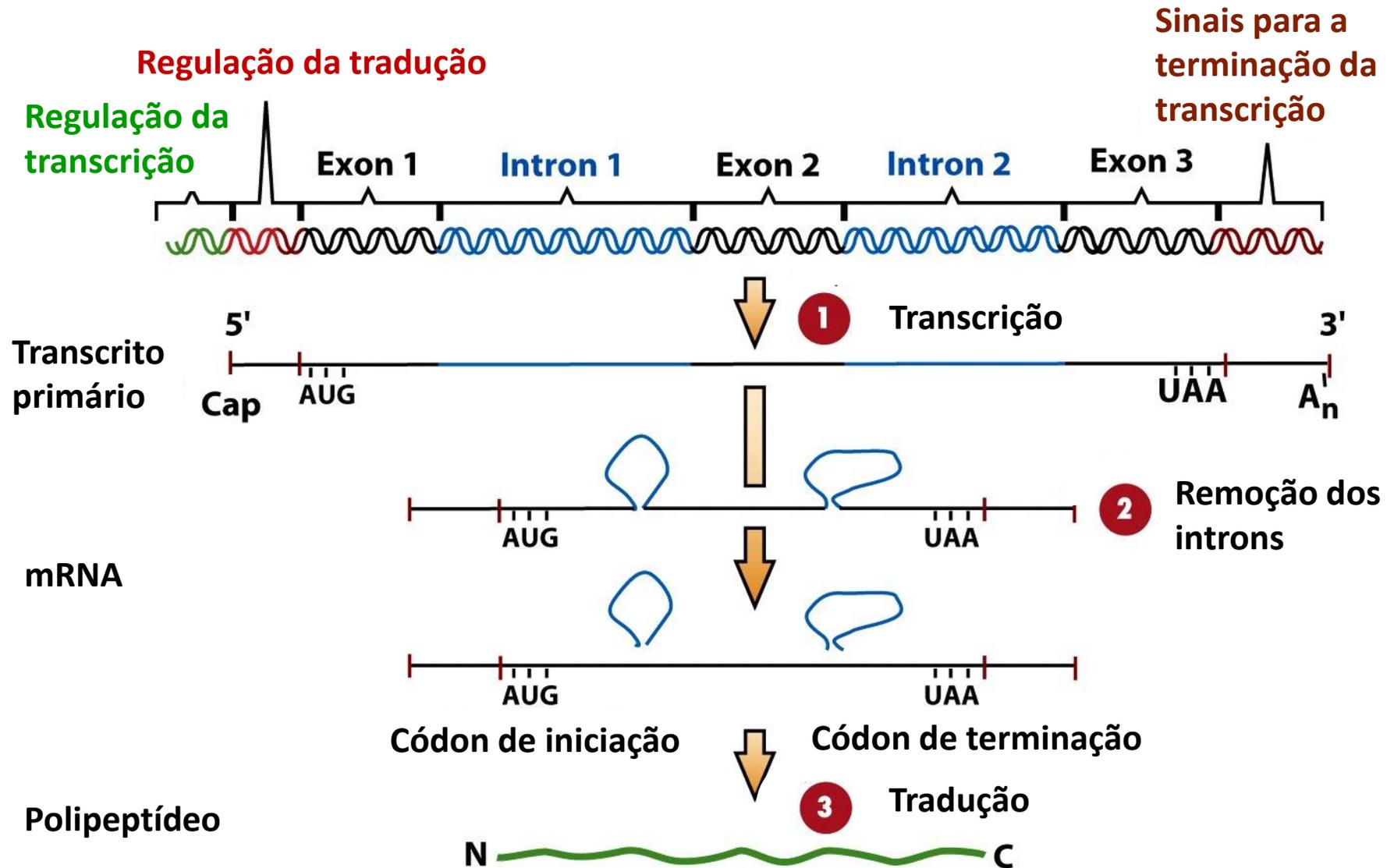


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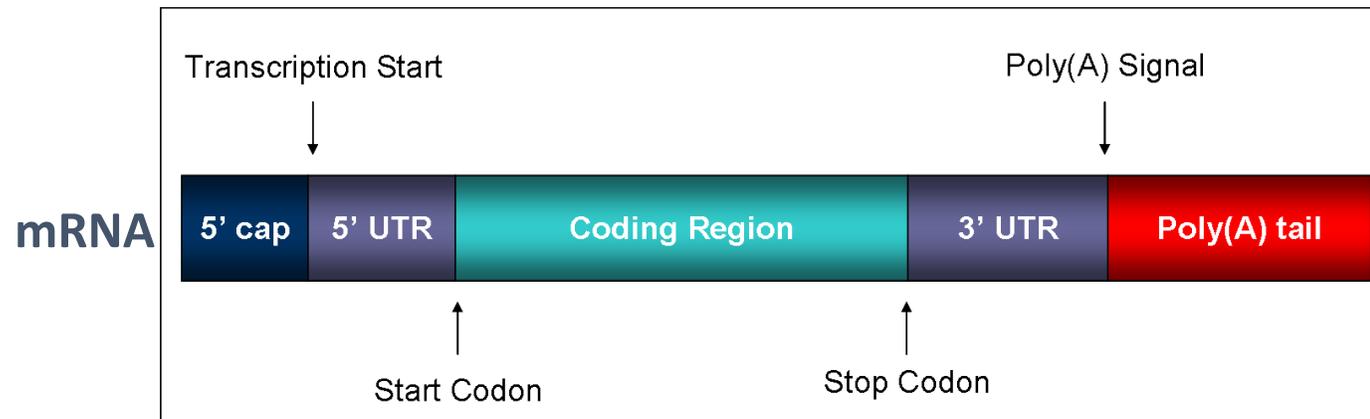


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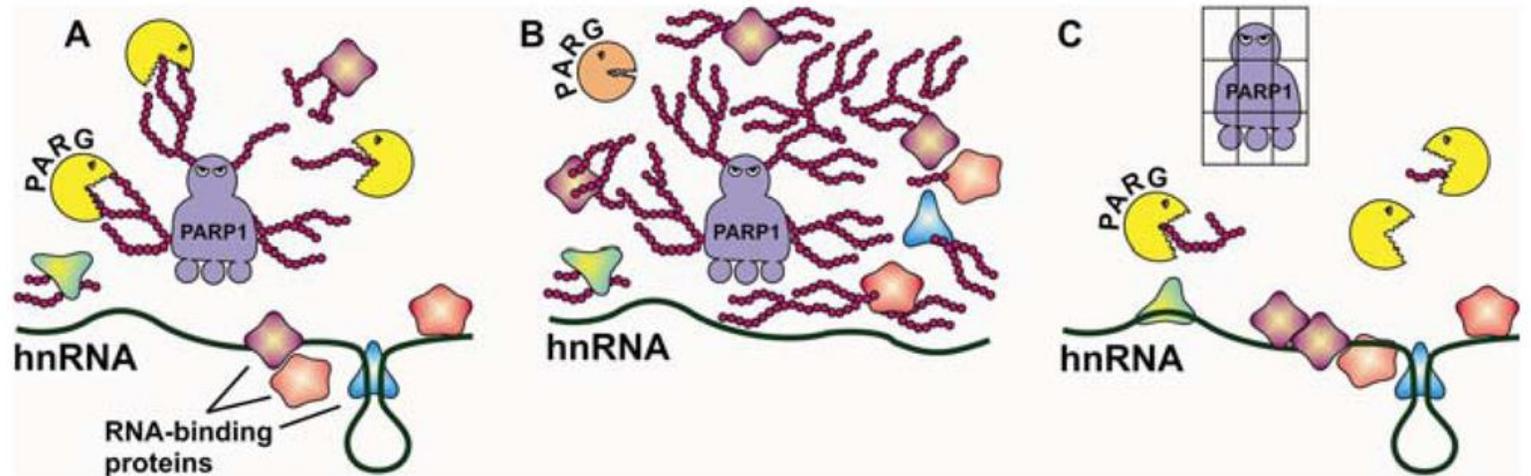
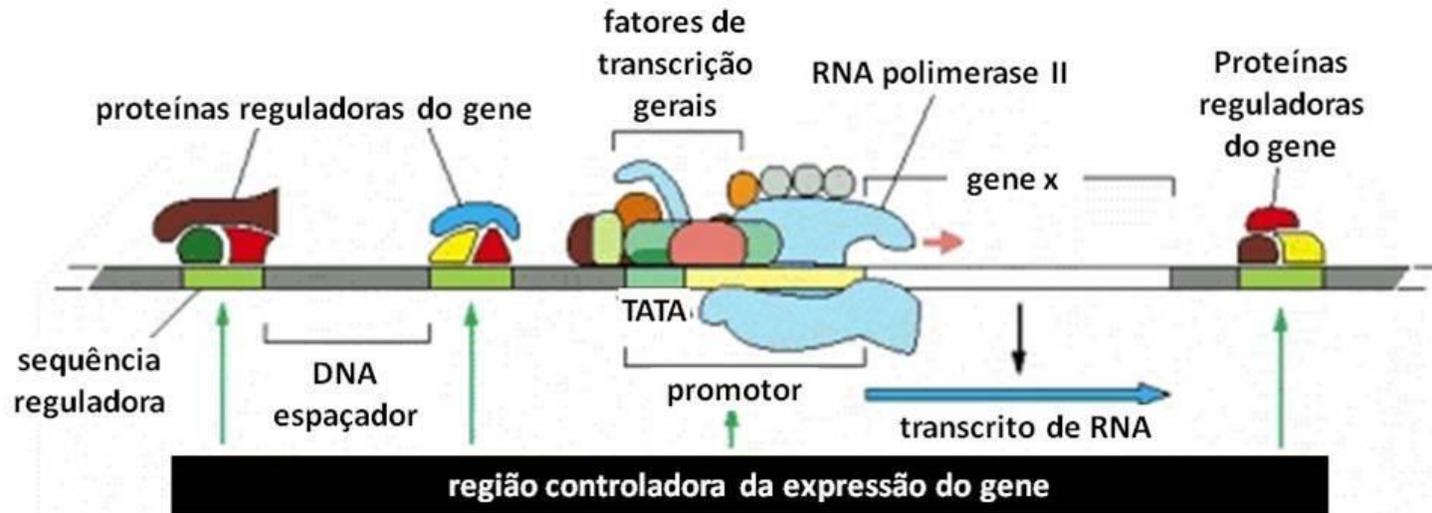


PROCESSAMENTO DO RNA (TRANSCRITO) PRIMÁRIO EM EUCARIOTOS

- As modificações que podem ocorrer nos transcritos nucleares são basicamente de três tipos:
 - Capeamento ("capping") do terminal 5';
 - Poliadenilação do terminal 3';
 - Montagem de segmentos codificadores ("*splicing*").
- Este conjunto de modificações no transcrito nuclear originará o mRNA, pronto para migrar para o citoplasma.



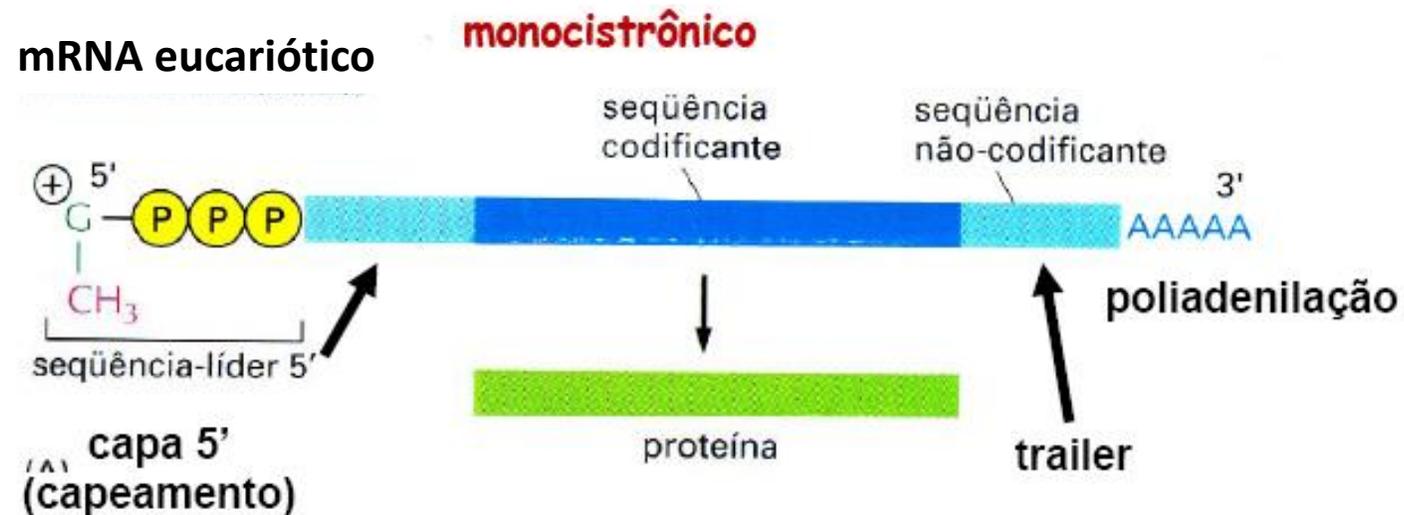
CONTROLE DA TRANSCRIÇÃO - EUCARIOTOS



CÍSTRONS: PROCARIOTOS X EUCARIOTOS



Cadê o promotor do meu gene?



Pesquisadores tem integrado genética e variações transcricionais para conduzir o estudo de associação de transcriptoma amplo (transcription-wide association study - TWAS) correlacionando expressão de genes e características complexas.

ARTICLES

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Integrative approaches for large-scale transcriptome-wide association studies

Alexander Gusev¹⁻³, Arthur Ko^{4,5}, Huwenbo Shi⁶, Gaurav Bhatia¹⁻³, Wonil Chung¹, Brenda W J H Penninx⁷, Rick Jansen⁷, Eco J C de Geus⁸, Dorret I Boomsma⁸, Fred A Wright⁹, Patrick F Sullivan¹⁰⁻¹², Elina Nikkola⁴, Marcus Alvarez⁴, Mete Civelek¹³, Aldons J Luskis^{4,13}, Terho Lehtimäki¹⁴, Emma Raitoharju¹⁴, Mika Kähönen¹⁵, Ilkka Seppälä¹⁴, Olli T Raitakari^{16,17}, Johanna Kuusisto¹⁸, Markku Laakso¹⁸, Alkes L Price¹⁻³, Päivi Pajukanta^{4,5} & Bogdan Pasaniuc^{4,6,19}

Opportunities and challenges for transcriptome-wide association studies

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Transcriptome-wide association studies (TWAS) integrate genome-wide association studies (GWAS) and gene expression datasets to identify gene-trait associations. In this Perspective, we explore properties of TWAS as a potential approach to prioritize causal genes at GWAS loci, by using simulations and case studies of literature-curated candidate causal genes for schizophrenia, low-density-lipoprotein cholesterol and Crohn's disease. We explore risk loci where TWAS accurately prioritizes the likely causal gene as well as loci where TWAS prioritizes multiple genes, some likely to be non-causal, owing to sharing of expression quantitative trait loci (eQTL). TWAS is especially prone to spurious prioritization with expression data from non-trait-related tissues or cell types, owing to substantial cross-cell-type variation in expression levels and eQTL strengths. Nonetheless, TWAS prioritizes candidate causal genes more accurately than simple baselines. We suggest best practices for causal-gene prioritization with TWAS and discuss future opportunities for improvement. Our results showcase the strengths and limitations of using eQTL datasets to determine causal genes at GWAS loci.

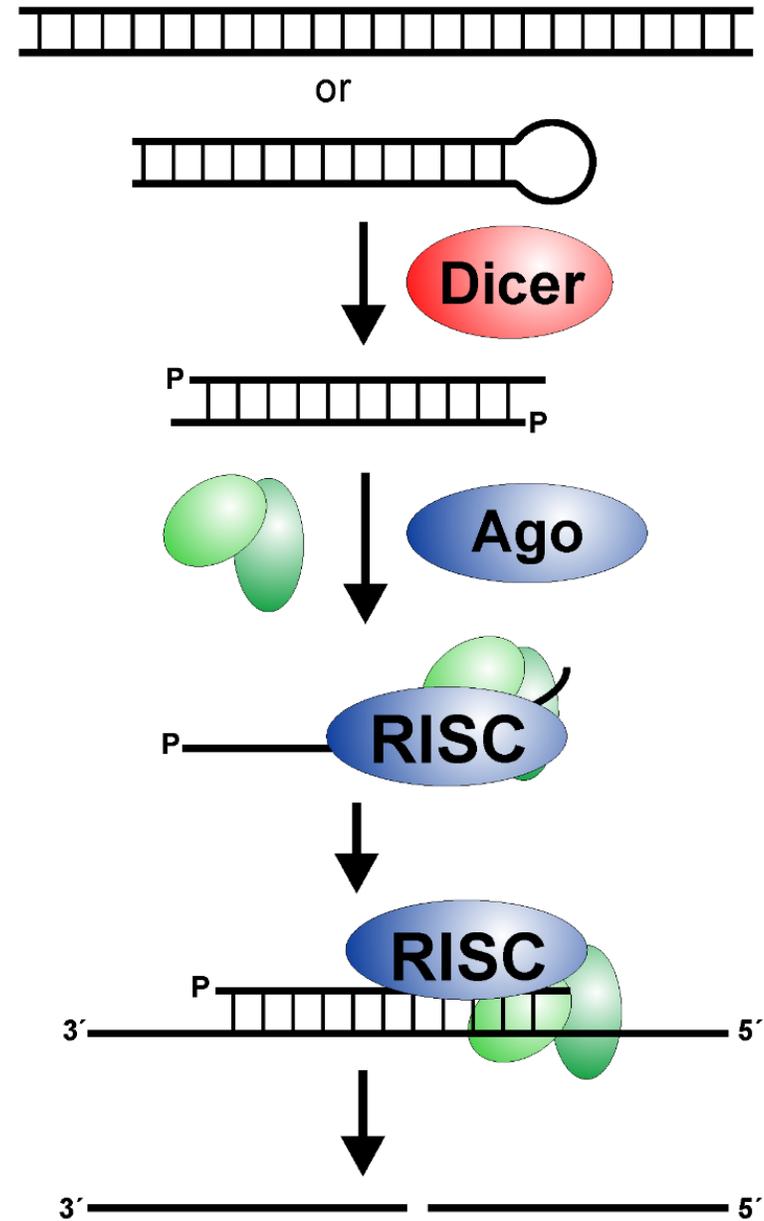
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TWAS Atlas: a curated knowledgebase of transcriptome-wide association studies

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O QUE É ESSA IMAGEM?





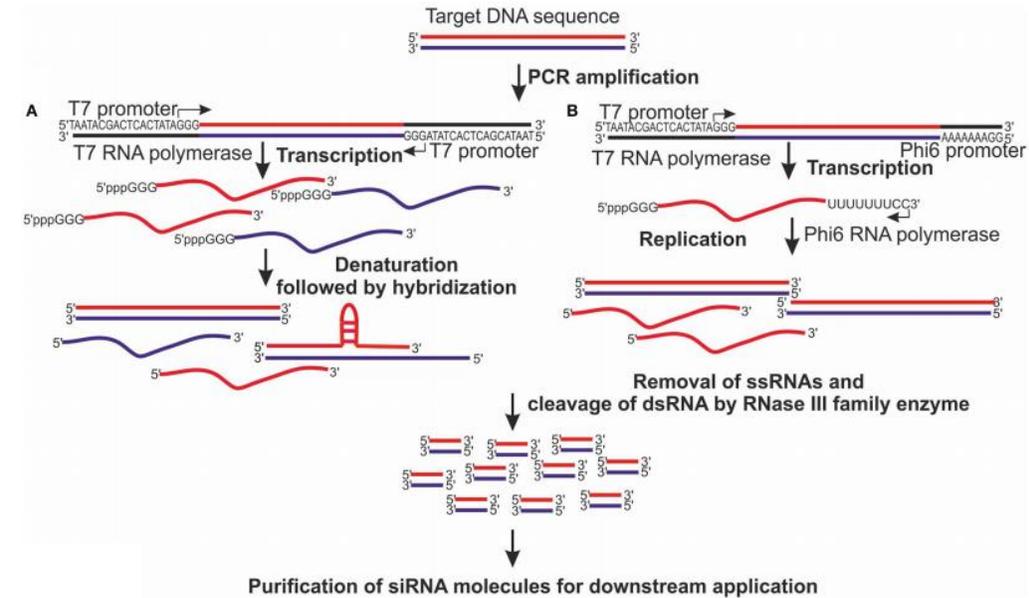
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RNA Interference as a Prospective Tool for the Control of Human Viral Infections

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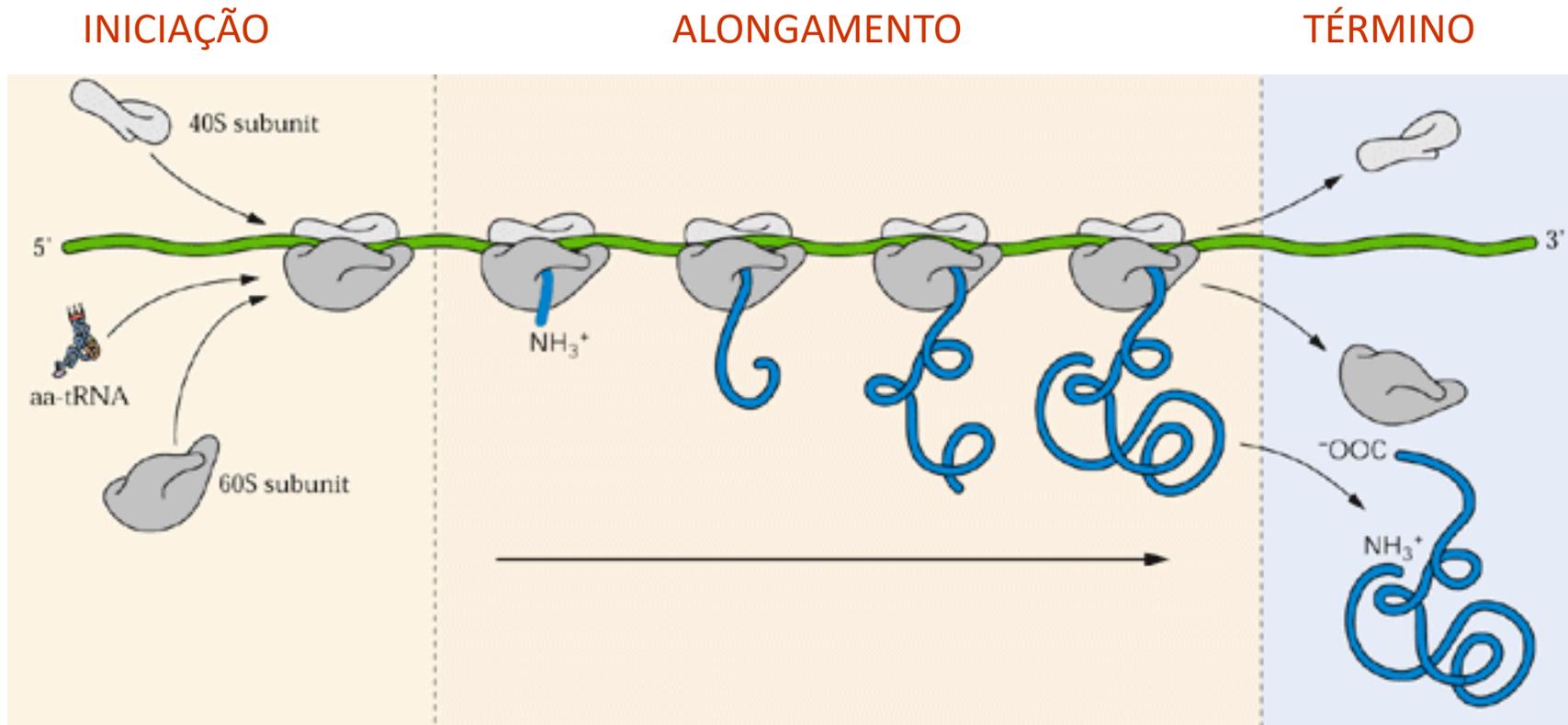


Review

RNA Interference: Promising Approach to Combat Plant Viruses

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TRADUÇÃO



**DOBRAMENTO E PROCESSAMENTO DE PROTEÍNAS
DE ACORDO COM O TIPO CELULAR**

Codon Bias as a Means to Fine-Tune Gene Expression

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Table 2. Coding Sequence Features Relevant for Synthetic Gene Design

Global Host and Condition-Related Codon Usage

codon usage frequency of highly expressed genes (CAI)

tRNA gene copy numbers (tAI)

balance tRNA supply/mRNA codon demand (nTE)^a

tRNA expression levels^a

charged tRNA levels^a

tRNA modification levels^a

synonymous codon co-occurrence bias^a

non-synonymous codon pair bias^a

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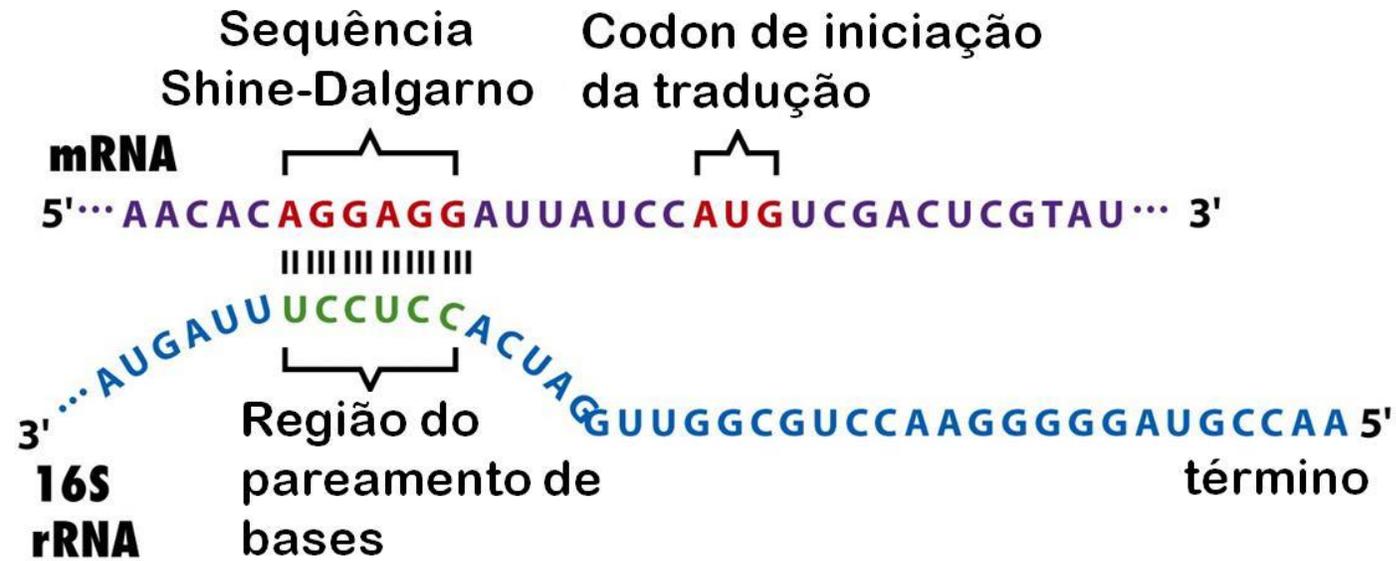


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EUCARIOTO

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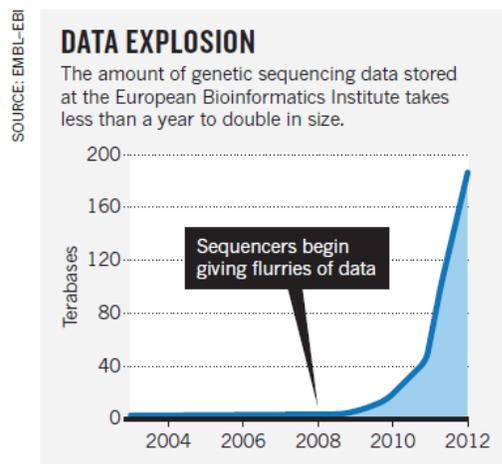
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Artificial intelligence for decision making in the era of Big Data – evolution, challenges and research agenda



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The future of Artificial Intelligence for the BioTech Big Data landscape

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Andreas Sundquist says amounts of data are now larger than the tools used to analyse them.

“If I could, I would routinely look at all sequenced cancer genomes. With the current infrastructure, that’s impossible.”

The 100,000 Genomes Project

The project will sequence 100,000 genomes from around 70,000 people. Participants are NHS patients with a rare disease, plus their families, and patients with cancer.

The aim is to create a new genomic medicine service for the NHS – transforming the way people are cared for. Patients may be offered a diagnosis where there wasn’t one before. In time, there is the potential of new and more effective treatments.

The project will also enable new medical research. Combining genomic sequence data with medical records is a ground-breaking resource. Researchers will study how best to use genomics in healthcare and how best to interpret the data to help patients. The causes, diagnosis and treatment of disease will also be investigated. We also aim to kick-start a UK genomics industry. This is currently the largest national sequencing project of its kind in the world.

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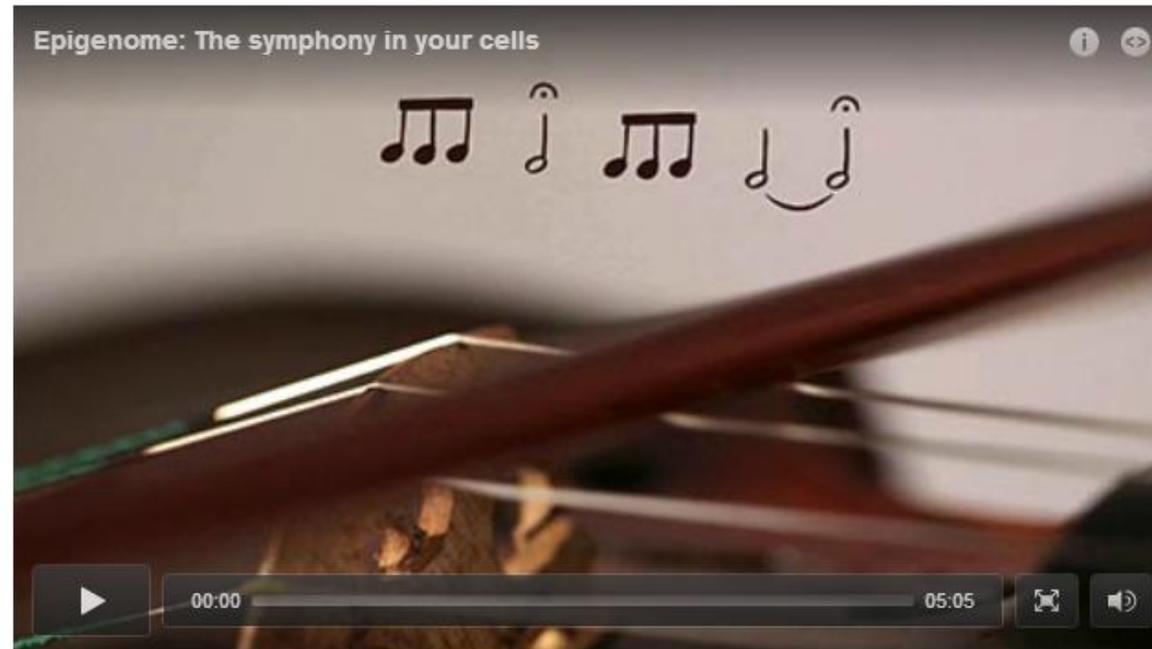
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The Epigenomic Landscape of Prokaryotes

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Uso do SMRT para detectar padrões de metilação no genoma de 230 procariotos.

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Metaepigenomic analysis reveals the unexplored diversity of DNA methylation in an environmental prokaryotic community

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Beyond Restriction Modification: Epigenomic Roles of DNA Methylation in Prokaryotes

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ESTAMOS ABRINDO A CAIXA DE PANDORA...



STUDIES ON THE CHEMICAL NATURE OF THE SUBSTANCE INDUCING TRANSFORMATION OF PNEUMOCOCCAL TYPES

INDUCTION OF TRANSFORMATION BY A DESOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID FRACTION ISOLATED FROM PNEUMOCOCCUS TYPE III

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PLATE 1

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Biologists have long attempted by chemical means to induce in higher organisms predictable and specific changes which thereafter could be transmitted in series as hereditary characters. Among microorganisms the most striking example of inheritable and specific alterations in cell structure and function that can be experimentally induced and are reproducible under well defined and adequately controlled conditions is the transformation of specific types of Pneumococcus. This phenomenon was first described by Griffith (1) who succeeded in transforming an attenuated and non-encapsulated (R) variant derived from one specific type into fully encapsulated and virulent (S) cells of a heterologous specific type. A typical instance will suffice to illustrate the techniques originally used and serve to indicate the wide variety of transformations that are possible within the limits of this bacterial species.

TABLE IV
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10 ^{-2.5}	0.3	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
10 ⁻³	0.1	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
10 ^{-3.5}	0.03	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
10 ⁻⁴	0.01	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
10 ^{-4.5}	0.003	—	R only	+	SIII	—	R only	+	SIII
10 ⁻⁵	0.001	—	R “	—	R only	—	R “	—	R only
Control	None	—	R “	—	R “	—	R “	—	R “

* Solution from which dilutions were made contained 0.5 mg. per cc. of purified material. 0.2 cc. of each dilution added to quadruplicate tubes containing 2.0 cc. of standard serum broth. 0.05 cc. of a 10⁻⁴ dilution of a blood broth culture of R36A is added to each tube.

MOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF NUCLEIC ACIDS

A Structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid

WE wish to suggest a structure for the salt of deoxyribose nucleic acid (D.N.A.). This structure has novel features which are of considerable biological interest.

A structure for nucleic acid has already been proposed by Pauling and Corey¹. They kindly made their manuscript available to us in advance of publication. Their model consists of three intertwined chains, with the phosphates near the fibre axis, and the bases on the outside. In our opinion, this structure is unsatisfactory for two reasons: (1) We believe that the material which gives the X-ray diagrams is the salt, not the free acid. Without



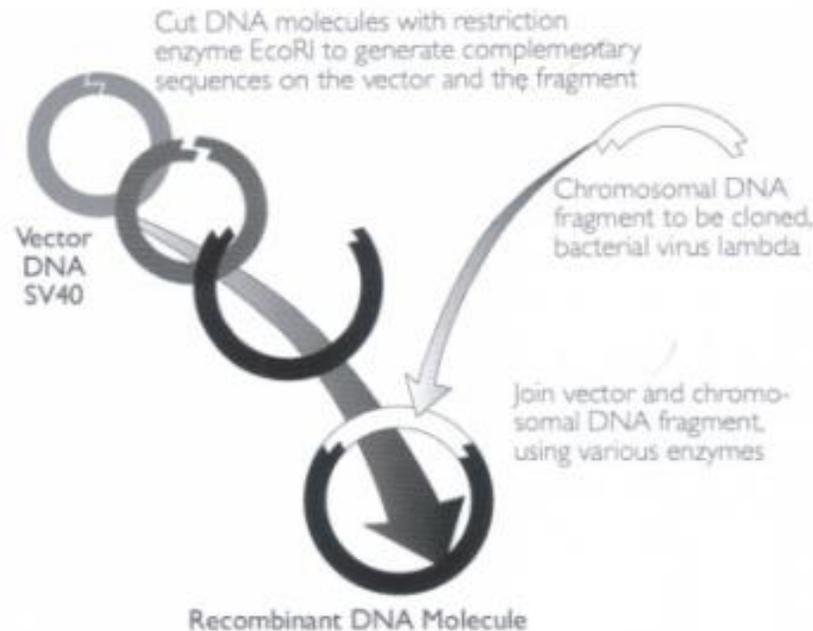
This figure is purely diagrammatic. The two ribbons symbolize the two phosphate-sugar chains, and the horizontal rods the pairs of bases holding the chains together. The vertical line marks the fibre axis

Our model suggests possible explanations for a number of other phenomena. For example, spontaneous mutation may be due to a base occasionally occurring in one of its less likely tautomeric forms. Again, the pairing between homologous chromosomes at meiosis may depend on pairing between specific bases. We shall discuss these ideas in detail elsewhere.

For the moment, the general scheme we have proposed for the reproduction of deoxyribonucleic acid must be regarded as speculative. Even if it is correct, it is clear from what we have said that much remains to be discovered before the picture of genetic duplication can be described in detail. What are the polynucleotide precursors? What makes the pair of chains unwind and separate? What is the precise role of the protein? Is the chromosome one long pair of deoxyribonucleic acid chains, or does it consist of patches of the acid joined together by protein?

Despite these uncertainties we feel that our proposed structure for deoxyribonucleic acid may help to solve one of the fundamental biological problems—the molecular basis of the template needed for genetic replication. The hypothesis we are suggesting is that the template is the pattern of bases formed by one chain of the deoxyribonucleic acid and that the gene contains a complementary pair of such templates.

1972 - Paul Berg realizou a primeira experiência bem sucedida onde foram ligadas duas cadeias genéticas diferentes: ele ligou uma cadeia de DNA do fago λ junto ao operon da galactose de *Escherichia coli*, inserindo-os no DNA do vírus SV40.



Jackson, D.A., Symons, R.H. & Berg, P. Biochemical method for inserting new genetic information into DNA of simian virus 40: Circular SV40 DNA molecules containing lambda phage genes and the galactose operon of *Escherichia coli*. Proc Nat Acad Sci USA **69**, 2904-2909 (October 1972).

Construction of Biologically Functional Bacterial Plasmids *In Vitro*

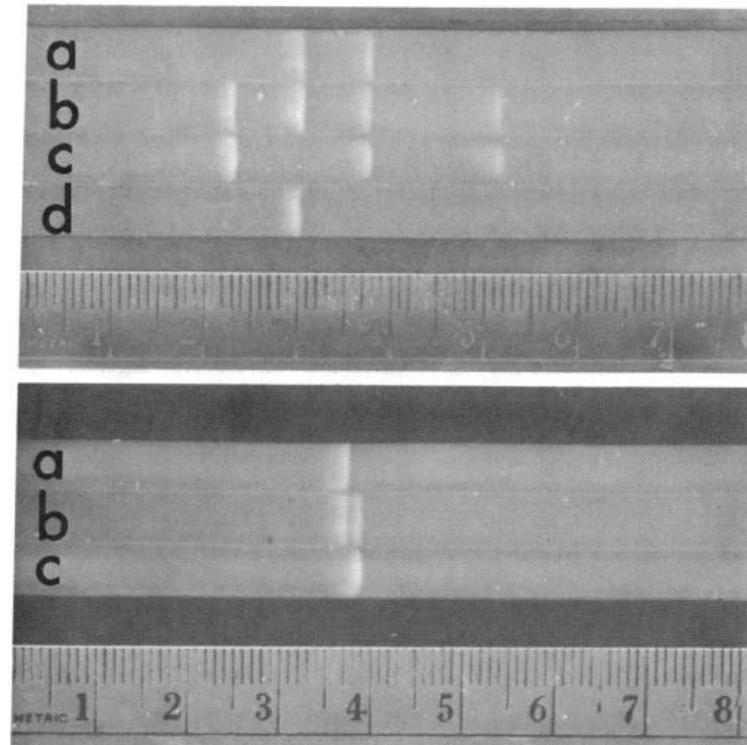
(R factor/restriction enzyme/transformation/endonuclease/antibiotic resistance)

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ABSTRACT The construction of new plasmid DNA species by *in vitro* joining of restriction endonuclease-generated fragments of separate plasmids is described. Newly constructed plasmids that are inserted into *Escherichia coli* by transformation are shown to be biologically functional replicons that possess genetic properties and nucleotide base sequences from both of the parent DNA molecules. Functional plasmids can be obtained by reassociation of endonuclease-generated frag-



If the K-T boundary isotopic spike is indeed the result of impact-related acid rain, the oceanic strontium isotope record may reveal other large impacts. The seawater strontium curve of Burke *et al.* (9), which spans the past 500 million years, shows at least two other prominent high spikes in the $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ ratio, one in the mid-Cretaceous, at ~100 million years, and the other in the Pennsylvanian, at ~290 million years. The first appears to precede by a few million years the mass extinction event at the Cenomanian-Turonian boundary. There is also a large increase in $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ across the Permian-Triassic boundary (9), the time of the most extreme mass extinction in the Phanerozoic record (17). However, the increase appears to be rather gradual, extending over 20 million to 25 million years, and is thus quite different in character from the K-T spike. Nevertheless, data are sparse for this interval, and more work will be required to determine the exact nature of the increase.

The occurrence of a spike toward higher values in the seawater $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ record at the K-T boundary is tantalizing evidence for

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Primer-Directed Enzymatic Amplification of DNA with a Thermostable DNA Polymerase

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A thermostable DNA polymerase was used in an *in vitro* DNA amplification procedure, the polymerase chain reaction. The enzyme, isolated from *Thermus aquaticus*, greatly simplifies the procedure and, by enabling the amplification reaction to be performed at higher temperatures, significantly improves the specificity, yield, sensitivity, and length of products that can be amplified. Single-copy genomic sequences were amplified by a factor of more than 10 million with very high specificity, and DNA segments up to 2000 base pairs were readily amplified. In addition, the method was used to amplify and detect a target DNA molecule present only once in a sample of 10^5 cells.

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Harnessing the central dogma for stringent multi-level control of gene expression

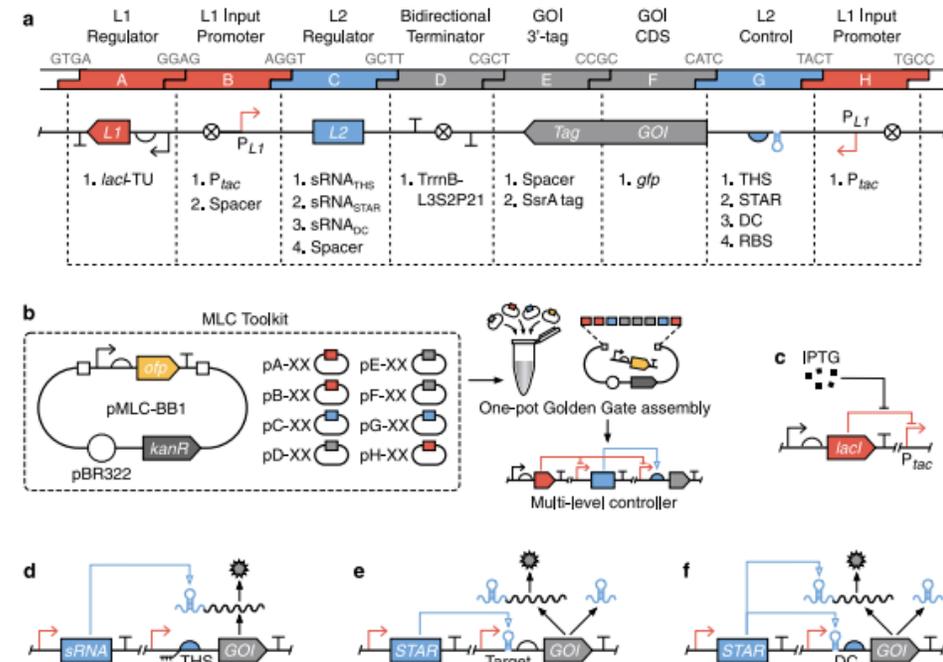
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Strictly controlled inducible gene expression is crucial when engineering biological systems where even tiny amounts of a protein have a large impact on function or host cell viability. In these cases, leaky protein production must be avoided, but without affecting the achievable range of expression. Here, we demonstrate how the central dogma offers a simple solution to this challenge. By simultaneously regulating transcription and translation, we show how basal expression of an inducible system can be reduced, with little impact on the maximum expression rate. Using this approach, we create several stringent expression systems displaying >1000-fold change in their output after induction and show how multi-level regulation can suppress transcriptional noise and create digital-like switches between 'on' and 'off' states. These tools will aid those working with toxic genes or requiring precise regulation and propagation of cellular signals, plus illustrate the value of more diverse regulatory designs for synthetic biology.



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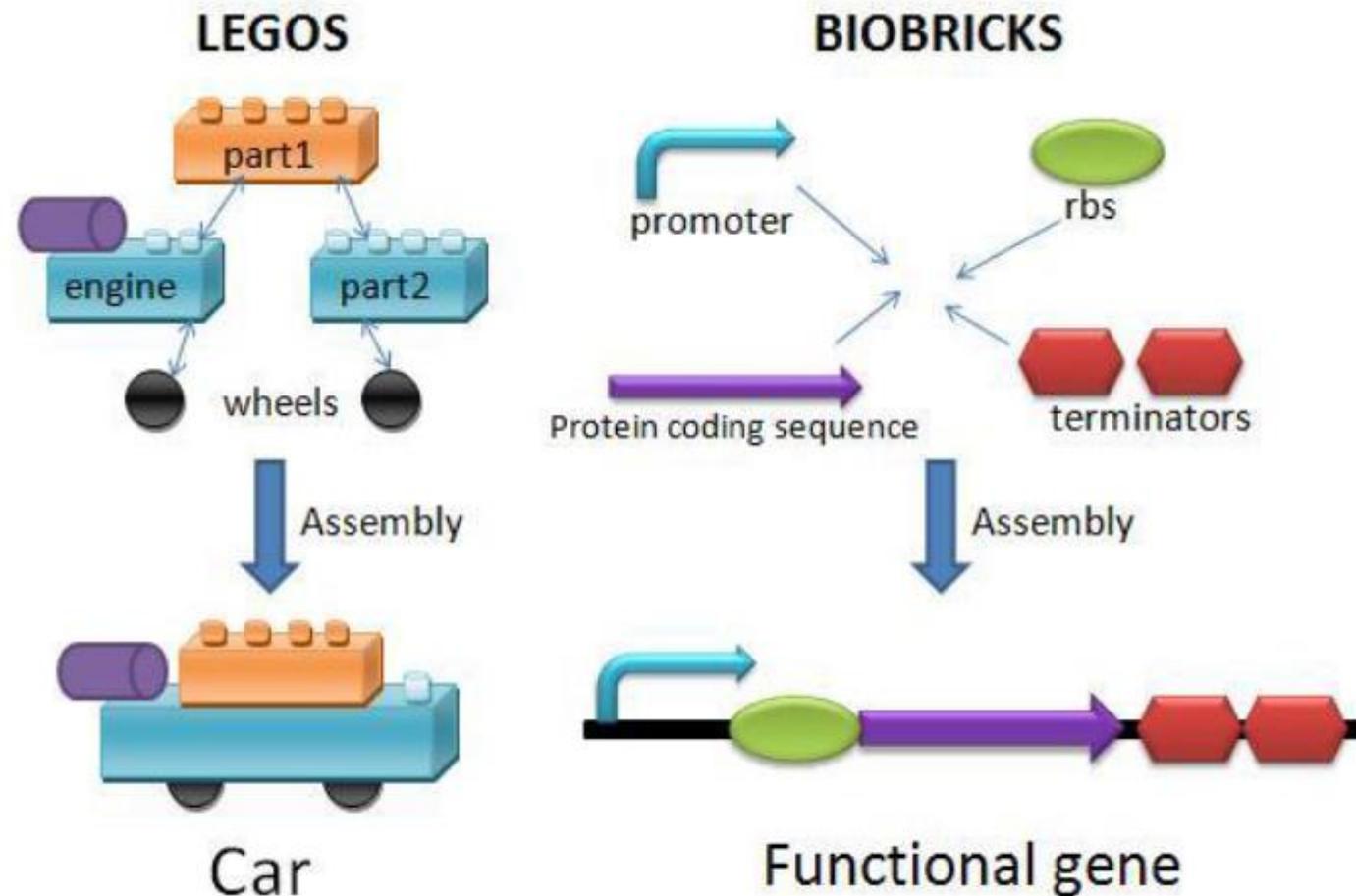


Figure1: Comparison between the concept of Legos and Biobricks

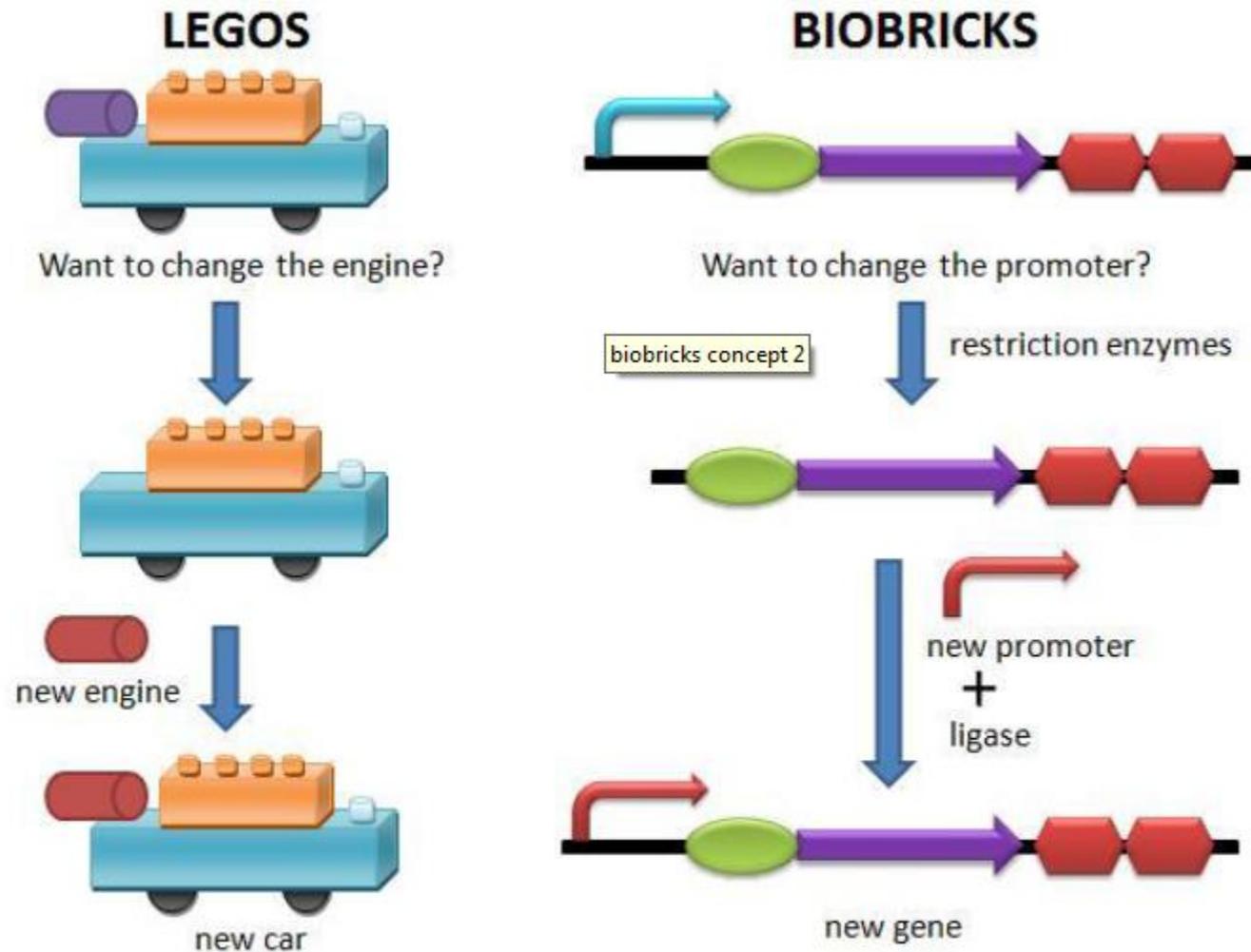
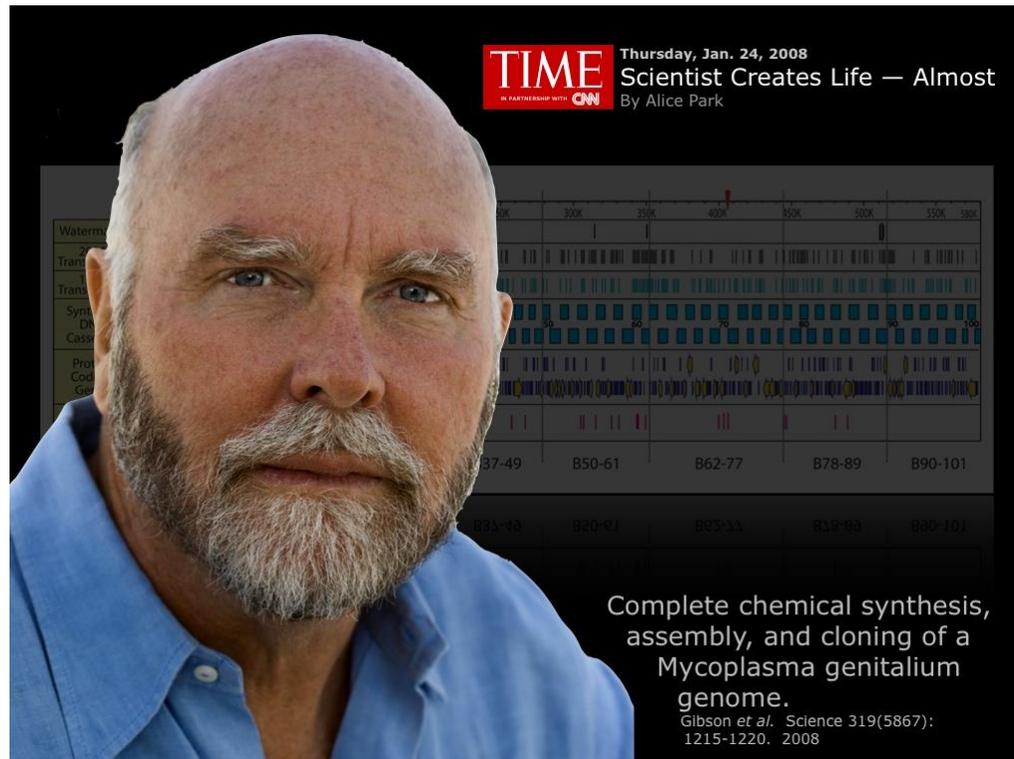


Figure2: The concept of interchangeable parts in biobricks

GENOMA MÍNIMO

- *Mycoplasma genitalium* (580.070 pb) – 477 genes:
 - ~120 genes não são necessários para o crescimento em laboratório
 - ~350 genes são necessários para o crescimento em laboratório

M. genitalium JCVI-1.0



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Creation of a Bacterial Cell Controlled by a Chemically Synthesized Genome

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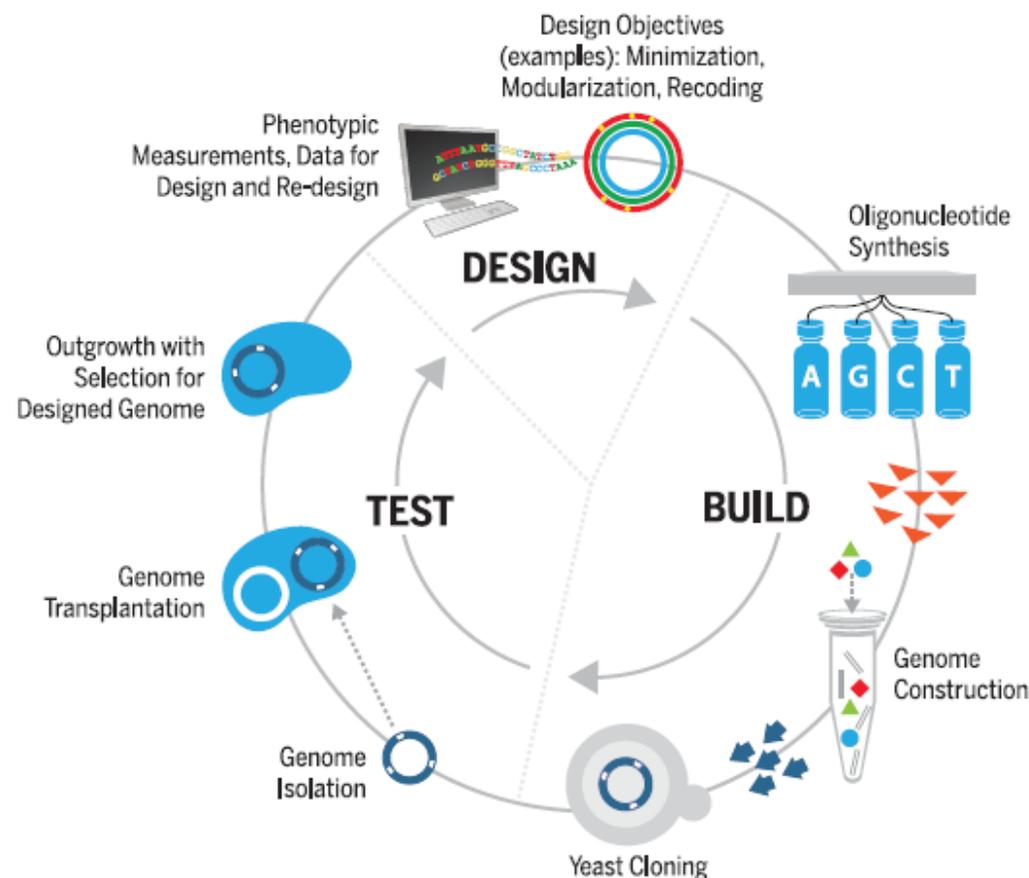
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SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY

Design and synthesis of a minimal bacterial genome

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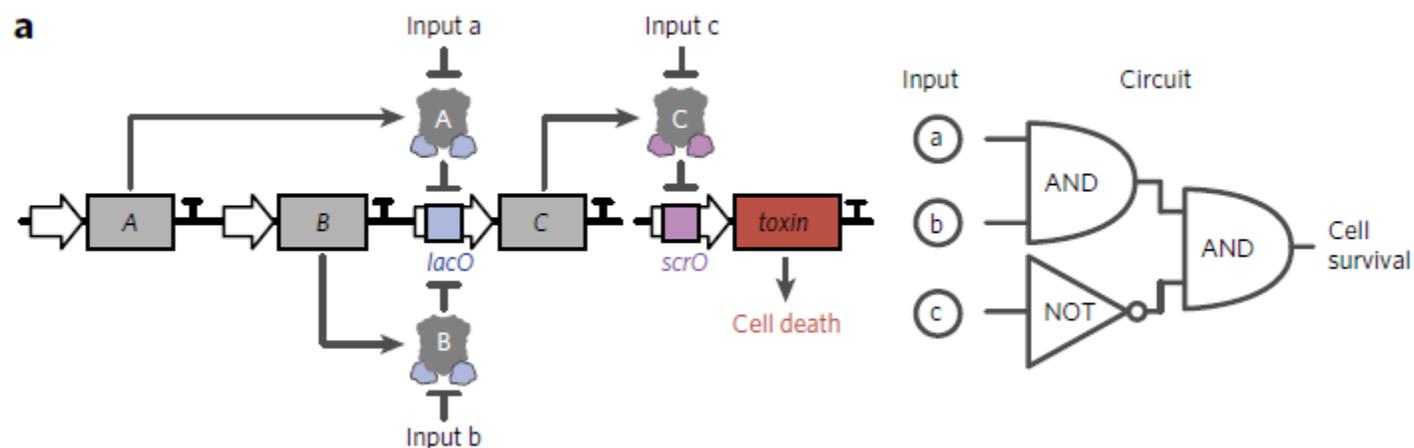
We used whole-genome design and complete chemical synthesis to minimize the 1079-kilobase pair synthetic genome of *Mycoplasma mycoides* JCVI-syn1.0. An initial design, based on collective knowledge of molecular biology combined with limited transposon mutagenesis data, failed to produce a viable cell. Improved transposon mutagenesis methods revealed a class of quasi-essential genes that are needed for robust growth, explaining the failure of our initial design. Three cycles of design, synthesis, and testing, with retention of quasi-essential genes, produced JCVI-syn3.0 (531 kilobase pairs, 473 genes), which has a genome smaller than that of any autonomously replicating cell found in nature. JCVI-syn3.0 retains almost all genes involved in the synthesis and processing of macromolecules. Unexpectedly, it also contains 149 genes with unknown biological functions. JCVI-syn3.0 is a versatile platform for investigating the core functions of life and for exploring whole-genome design.



'Deadman' and 'Passcode' microbial kill switches for bacterial containment

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Biocontainment systems that couple environmental sensing with circuit-based control of cell viability could be used to prevent escape of genetically modified microbes into the environment. Here we present two engineered safeguard systems known as the 'Deadman' and 'Passcode' kill switches. The Deadman kill switch uses unbalanced reciprocal transcriptional repression to couple a specific input signal with cell survival. The Passcode kill switch uses a similar two-layered transcription design and incorporates hybrid LacI-GalR family transcription factors to provide diverse and complex environmental inputs to control circuit function. These synthetic gene circuits efficiently kill *Escherichia coli* and can be readily reprogrammed to change their environmental inputs, regulatory architecture and killing mechanism.



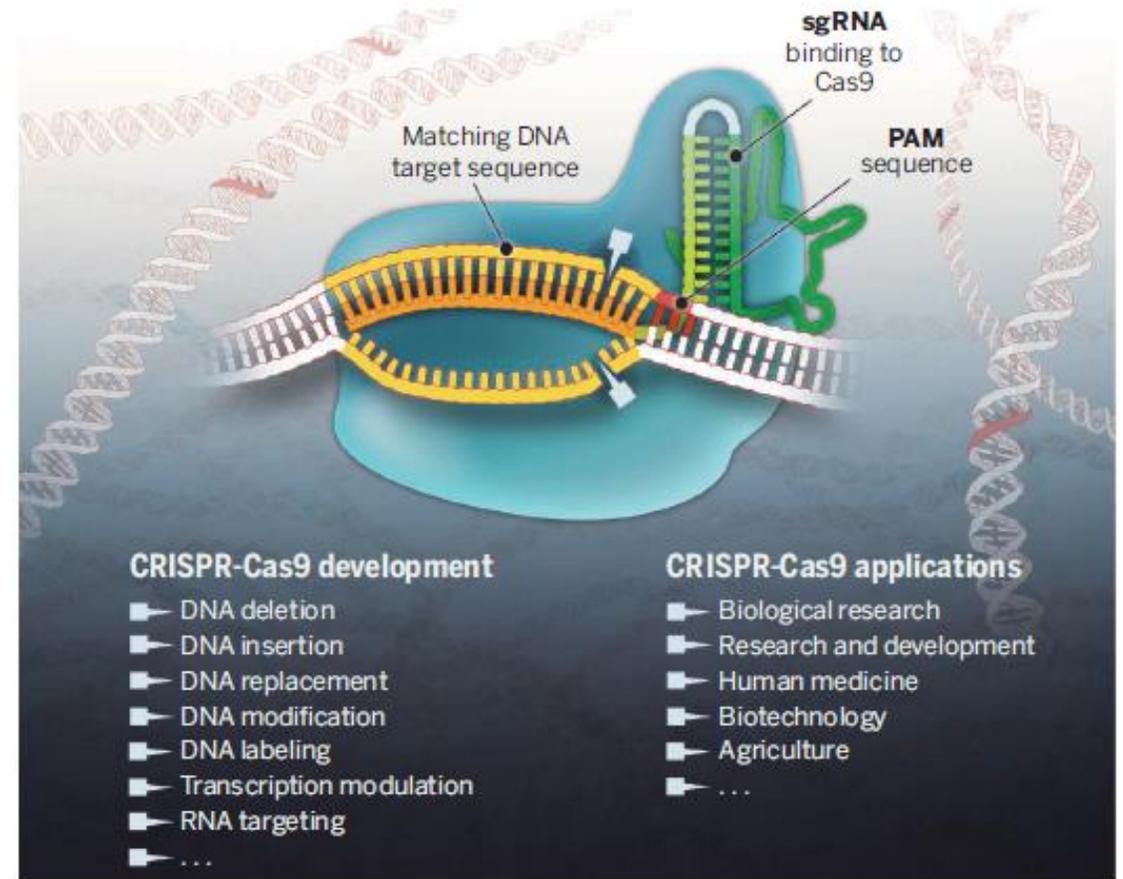
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GENOME EDITING

The new frontier of genome engineering with CRISPR-Cas9

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The advent of facile genome engineering using the bacterial RNA-guided CRISPR-Cas9 system in animals and plants is transforming biology. We review the history of CRISPR (clustered regularly interspaced palindromic repeat) biology from its initial discovery through the elucidation of the CRISPR-Cas9 enzyme mechanism, which has set the stage for remarkable developments using this technology to modify, regulate, or mark genomic loci in a wide variety of cells and organisms from all three domains of life. These results highlight a new era in which genomic manipulation is no longer a bottleneck to experiments, paving the way toward fundamental discoveries in biology, with applications in all branches of biotechnology, as well as strategies for human therapeutics.



The Cas9 enzyme (blue) generates breaks in double-stranded DNA by using its two catalytic centers (blades) to cleave each strand of a DNA target site (gold) next to a PAM sequence (red) and matching the 20-nucleotide sequence (orange) of the single guide RNA (sgRNA). The sgRNA includes a dual-RNA sequence derived from CRISPR RNA (light green) and a separate transcript (tracrRNA, dark green) that binds and stabilizes the Cas9 protein. Cas9-sgRNA-mediated DNA cleavage produces a blunt double-stranded break that triggers repair enzymes to disrupt or replace DNA sequences at or near the cleavage site. Catalytically inactive forms of Cas9 can also be used for programmable regulation of transcription and visualization of genomic loci.



RNA-directed gene editing specifically eradicates latent and prevents new HIV-1 infection

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

CRISPR/Cas9-mediated gene editing in human tripronuclear zygotes

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Correction of a pathogenic gene mutation in human embryos

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Genome editing has potential for the targeted correction of germline mutations. Here we describe the correction of the heterozygous *MYBPC3* mutation in human preimplantation embryos with precise CRISPR-Cas9-based targeting accuracy and high homology-directed repair efficiency by activating an endogenous, germline-specific DNA repair response. Induced double-strand breaks (DSBs) at the mutant paternal allele were predominantly repaired using the homologous wild-type maternal gene instead of a synthetic DNA template. By modulating the cell cycle stage at which the DSB was induced, we were able to avoid mosaicism in cleaving embryos and achieve a high yield of homozygous embryos carrying the wild-type *MYBPC3* gene without evidence of off-target mutations. The efficiency, accuracy and safety of the approach presented suggest that it has potential to be used for the correction of heritable mutations in human embryos by complementing preimplantation genetic diagnosis. However, much remains to be considered before clinical applications, including the reproducibility of the technique with other heterozygous mutations.

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High-frequency off-target mutagenesis induced by CRISPR-Cas nucleases in human cells

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Clustered, regularly interspaced, short palindromic repeat (CRISPR) RNA-guided nucleases (RGNs) have rapidly emerged as a facile and efficient platform for genome editing. Here, we use a human cell-based reporter assay to characterize off-target cleavage of CRISPR-associated (Cas)9-based RGNs. We find that single and double mismatches are tolerated to varying degrees depending on their position along the guide RNA (gRNA)-DNA interface. We also readily detected off-target alterations induced by four out of six RGNs targeted to endogenous loci in human cells by examination of partially mismatched sites. The off-target sites we identified harbored up to five mismatches and many were mutagenized with frequencies comparable to (or higher than) those observed at the intended on-target site. Our work demonstrates that RGNs can be highly active even with imperfectly matched RNA-DNA interfaces in human cells, a finding that might confound their use in research and therapeutic applications.

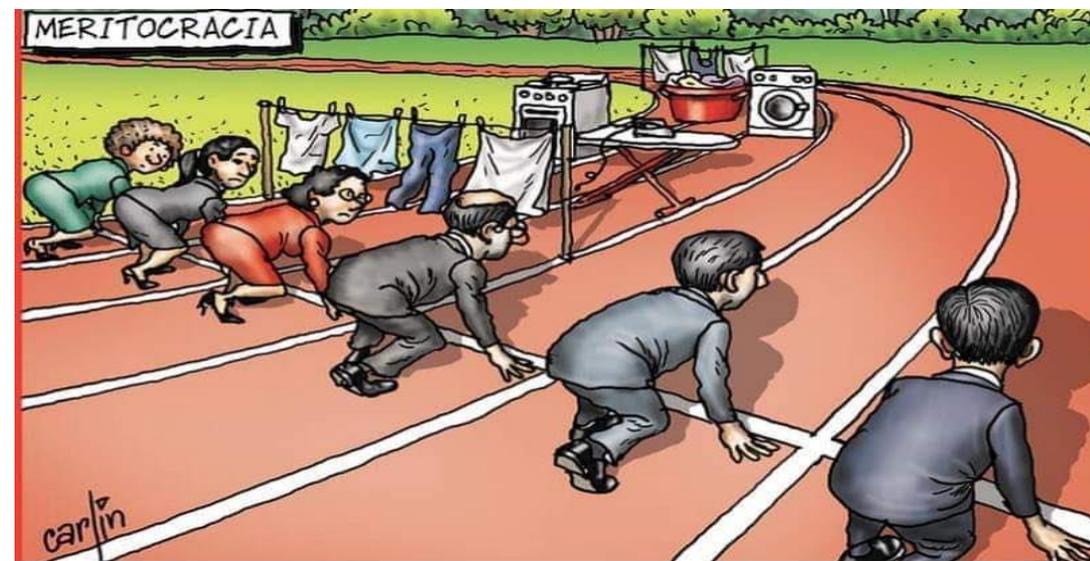
To begin to define the determinants of the specificity of RGNs in human cells, we carried out a large-scale test in which we assessed the effects of systematically mismatching various positions within multiple gRNA-target DNA interfaces. To do this, we used a quantitative human cell-based EGFP disruption assay, previously described by our laboratory¹⁵, that enables rapid quantification of targeted nuclease activities (Fig. 1a). In this assay, the activities of nucleases targeted to a single integrated *EGFP* reporter gene can be quantified by assessing loss of fluorescence signal in human U2OS.EGFP cells caused by inactivating frameshift insertion/deletion (indel) mutations introduced by error prone nonhomologous end-joining (NHEJ) repair of nuclease-induced double-stranded breaks (Fig. 1a and Online Methods). We used three ~100-nt single gRNAs (sgRNAs) targeted to different sequences within *EGFP* (Supplementary Fig. 2); each of these sgRNAs efficiently directed Cas9-mediated disruption of *EGFP* expression (Supplementary Results).

In initial experiments, we tested the effects of single-nucleotide mismatches at 19 of 20 nucleotides in the complementary targeting



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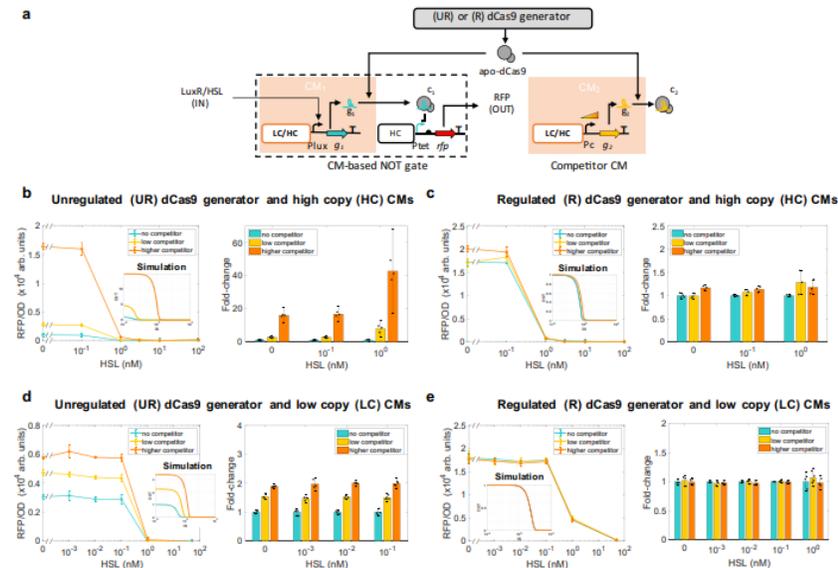


dCas9 regulator to neutralize competition in CRISPRi circuits

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CRISPRi-mediated gene regulation allows simultaneous control of many genes. However, highly specific sgRNA-promoter binding is, alone, insufficient to achieve independent transcriptional regulation of multiple targets. Indeed, due to competition for dCas9, the repression ability of one sgRNA changes significantly when another sgRNA becomes expressed. To solve this problem and decouple sgRNA-mediated regulatory paths, we create a dCas9 concentration regulator that implements negative feedback on dCas9 level. This allows any sgRNA to maintain an approximately constant dose-response curve, independent of other sgRNAs. We demonstrate the regulator performance on both single-stage and layered CRISPRi-based genetic circuits, zeroing competition effects of up to 15-fold changes in circuit I/O response encountered without the dCas9 regulator. The dCas9 regulator decouples sgRNA-mediated regulatory paths, enabling concurrent and independent regulation of multiple genes. This allows predictable composition of CRISPRi-based genetic modules, which is essential in the design of larger scale synthetic genetic circuits.



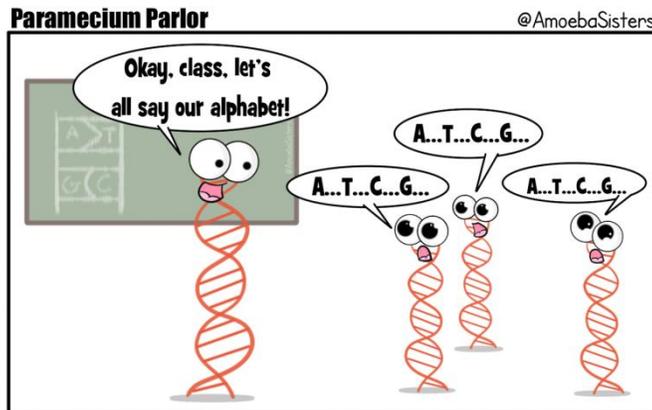
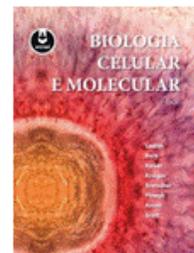
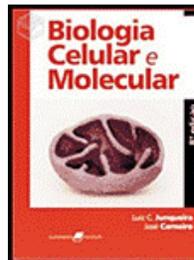
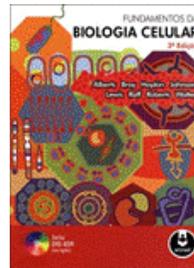
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