

A 3D molecular model of RNA transcription. The DNA double helix is shown in red and orange, with the template strand being transcribed into a blue RNA strand. The RNA polymerase enzyme is depicted as a large, blue, multi-subunit complex. The background is dark, highlighting the molecular structures.

第4章 RNA转录 (RNA transcription)

4.1. RNA Transcription promotion in prokaryotes

4.2. RNA transcription promotion in Eukaryotes

4.3. Transcription termination

4.4. Pre-RNA processing

基本概念



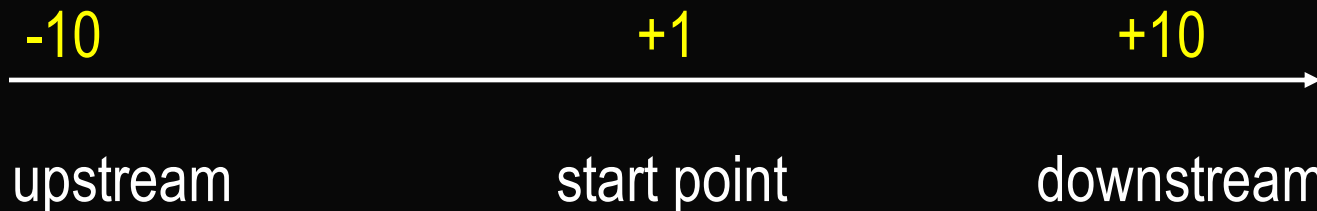
若干基本概念

- 基因表达的第一步
- 以D. S. DNA中的一条单链作为转录的模板
- 在依赖DNA的RNA聚合酶的作用下
- 按A=U, C≡G 配对的原则, 合成RNA分子
- 模板单链 DNA的极性方向为3' → 5', 而非模板单链 DNA的极性方向与RNA链相同, 均为5' → 3'.

(书写DNA序列时, 仅写非模板序列, 可不注明极性方向)

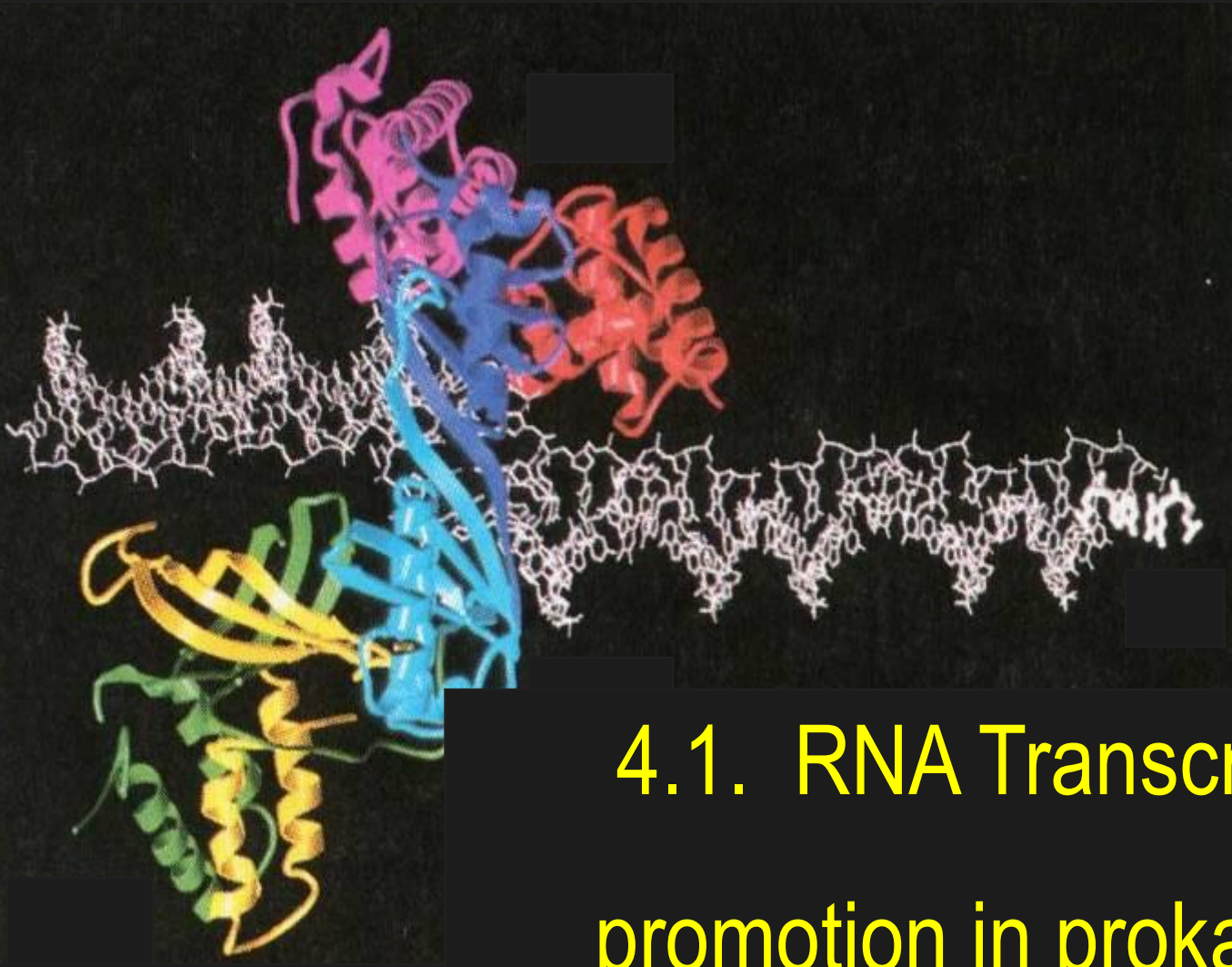
DNA	{	5'---ATGAGTA---3'	Non-template (sense strand)
		3'---TACTCAT---5'	template (antisense strand)
RNA		5'---AUGAGUA---3'	

- 某一基因只以一条单链DNA为模板进行转录（不对称转录）
- RNA的转录包括promotion, elongation, termination 三过程
- 从启动子（promoter）到终止子（terminator）称为转录单位（transcriptional unit）
- 原核生物中的转录单位多为 polycistron in operon
真核生物中的转录单位多为 monocistron, No operon
- 转录原点记为+1，其上游记为负值，下游记为正值





(来源：不详)

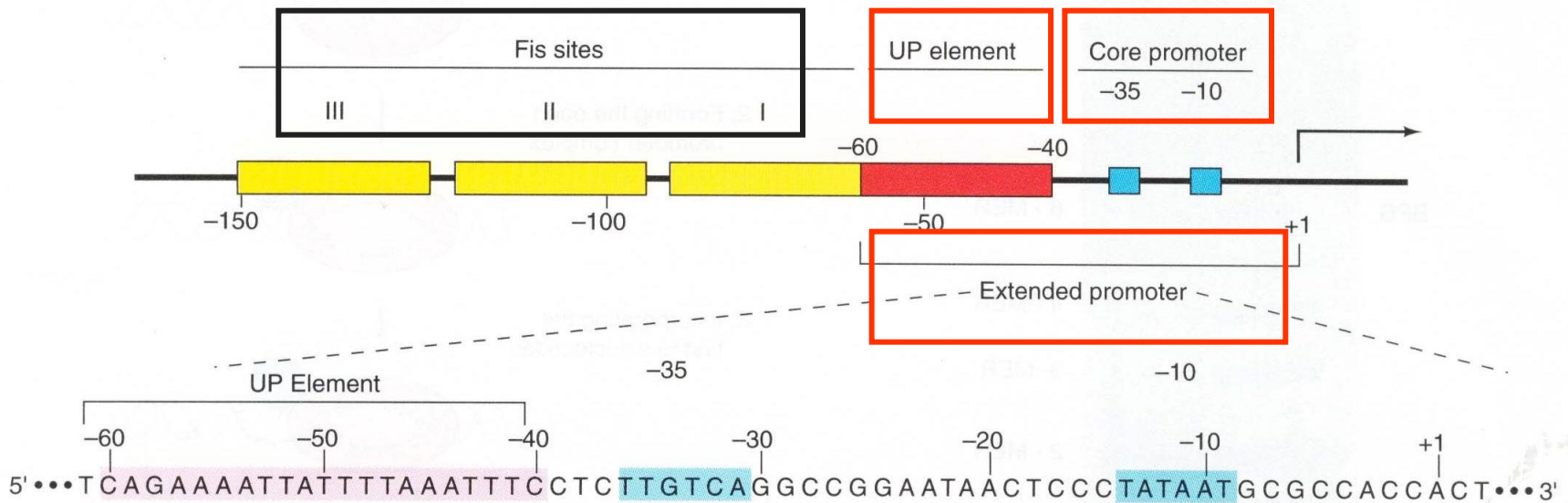
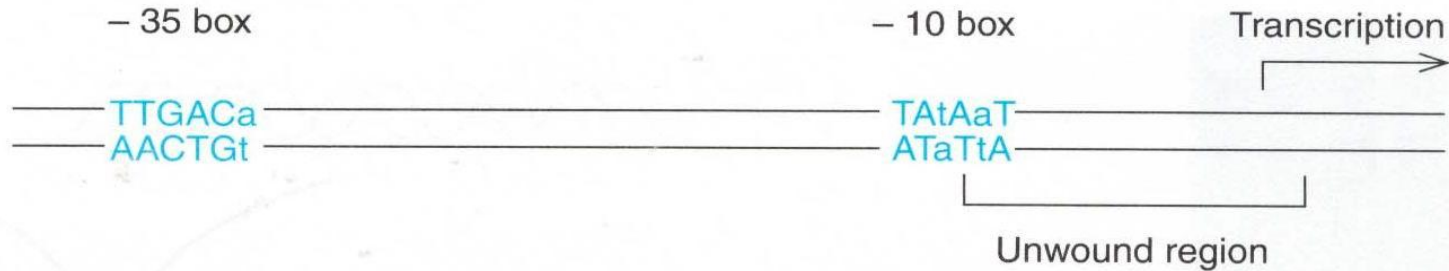


4.1. RNA Transcription promotion in prokaryotes

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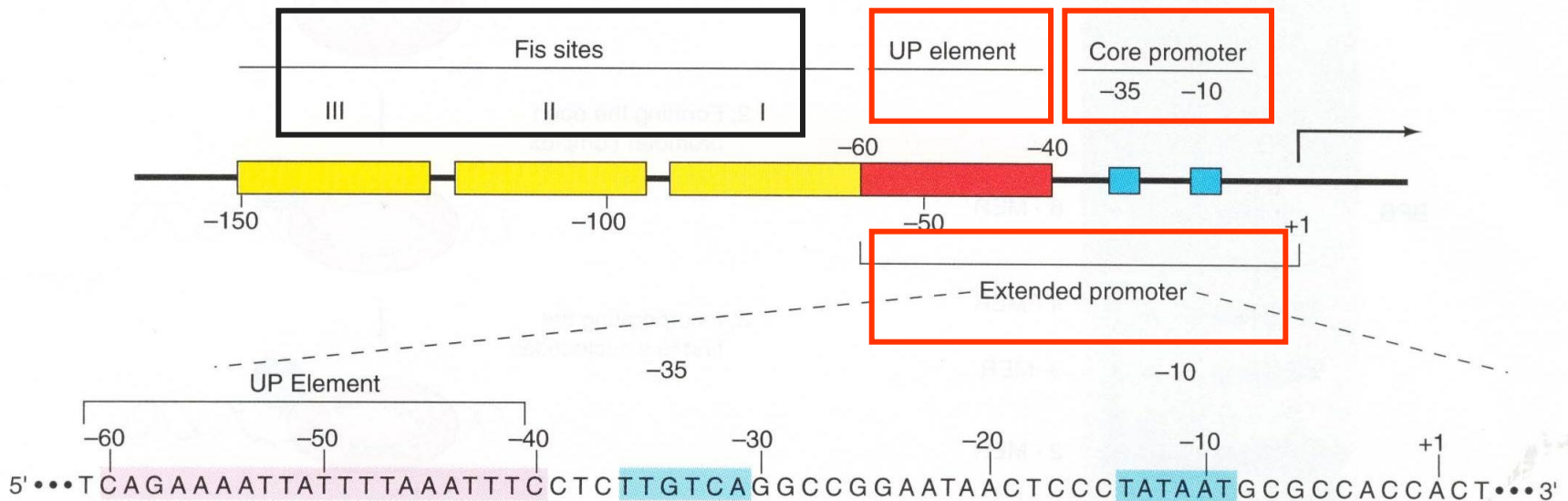


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- **-170 ~ -60 Fis site;**
- binding sites for the transcription-activator protein Fis.
- they , do not bind to **RNA polymerase** , are **not classical promoter** elements, but instead are members of enhancers.



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- -60-70 ~ -40 up element

CAP—cAMP binding site

基因表达调控的正控制位点

CAP; cAMP Acceptor Protein

(环化AMP受体蛋白)



分解代谢操纵子的激活蛋白

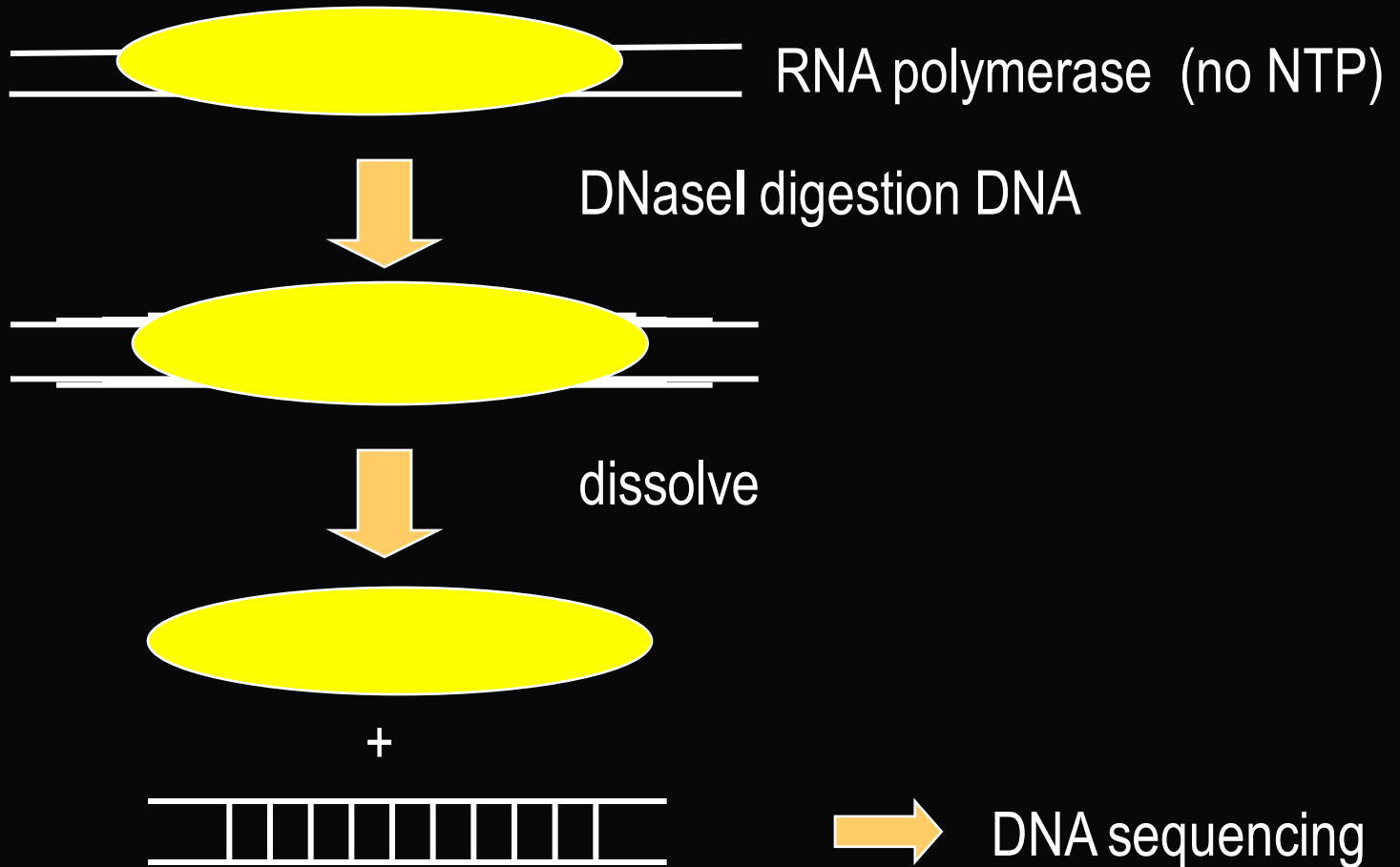
Catabolite gene Activator Protein

(降解物基因激活蛋白)

- -35 ~ -10 core promoter

RNApol. binding site

Promoter region identified by DNaseI footprinting method

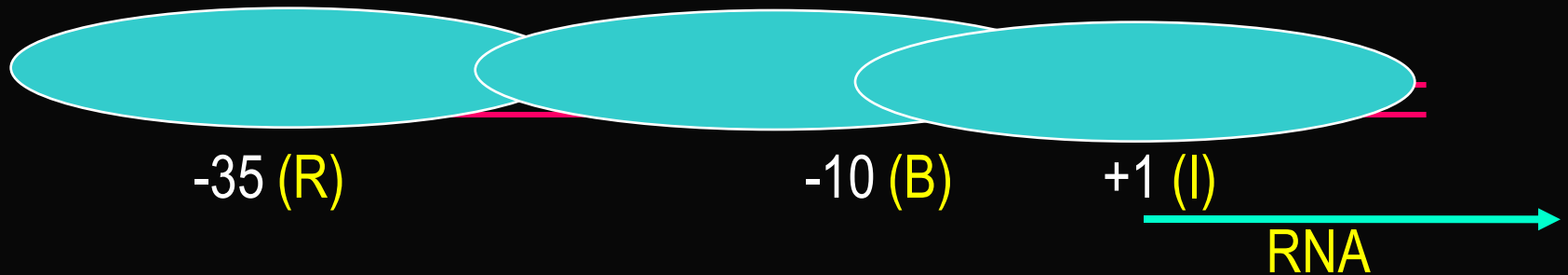


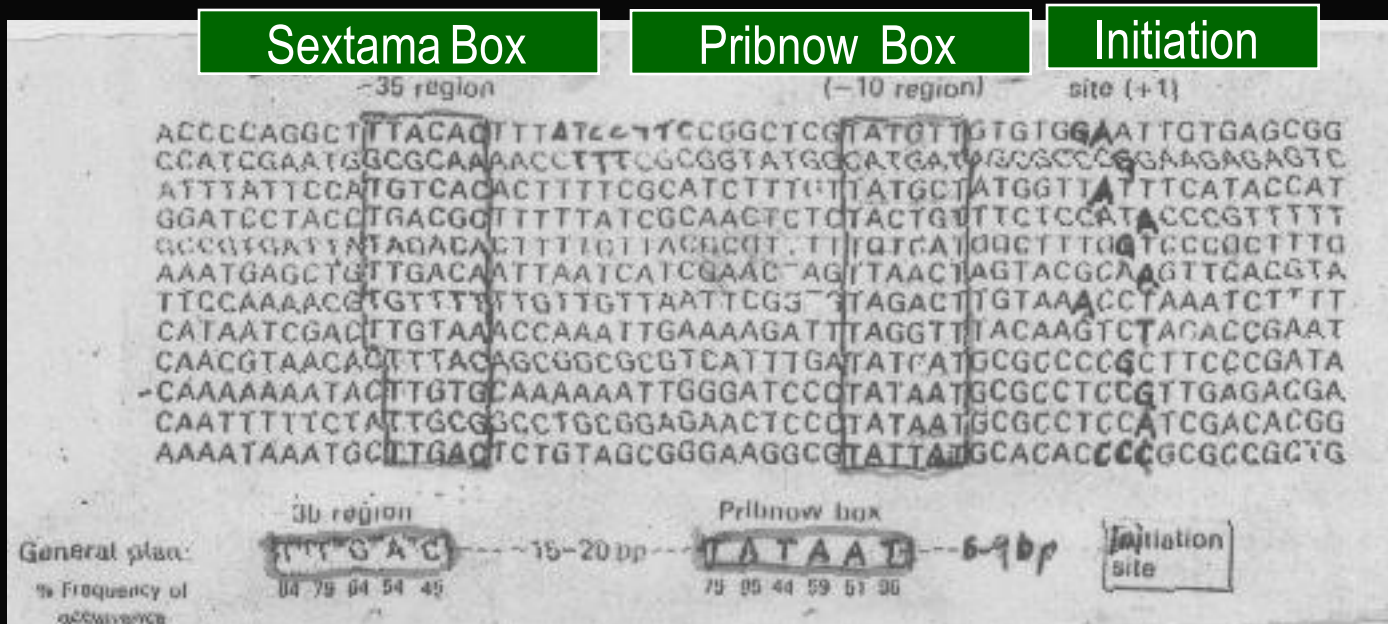
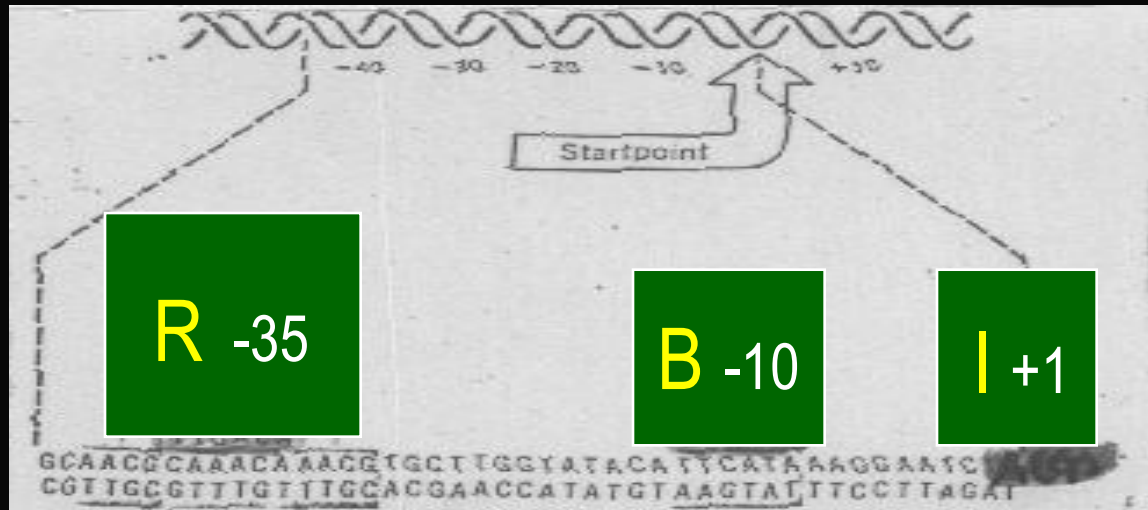
Core promoter region including

Sextama Box ; -35 site RNAPol. loosely binding site
RNAPol. recognition site (R site)
TTGAC (Sextama Box)

Pribnow Box ; -10 site RNAPol. firmly binding site (B site)
TATAAT (pribnow Box)

Initiation site ; +1 RNA transcriptional startpoint (I site)
A/G

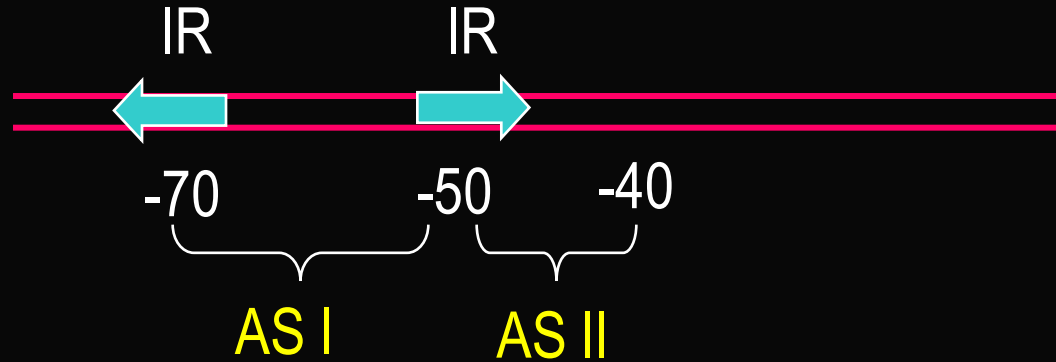




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a) Up element

CAP-cAMP binding site (Activator region AR)



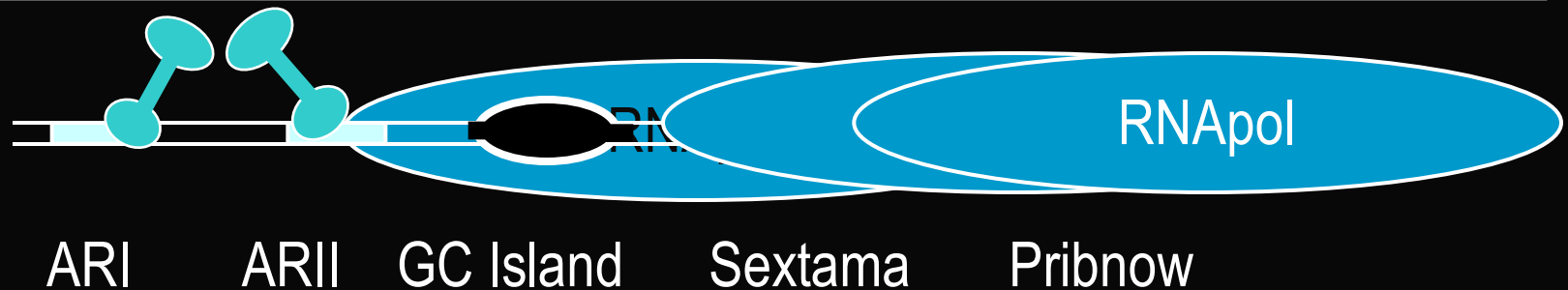
- AS I; IR是CAP-cAMP的强结合位点 (-70 ~ -50)
- AS II; CAP-cAMP的弱结合位点 (-50 ~ -40)
- AS I + CAP-cAMP



提高AS II的结合效率

- AS II + CAP-cAMP → promotion RNApol. into **Sextama Box**
 - into **Pribnow Box**
 - starting transcription
- Null AS II → RNApol. into pribnow Box **But transcription off**

AS II + CAP-cAMP 复合体
 促使Sextama Box 附近GC岛区的双螺旋结构稳定性降低，
 Pribnow Box 的解链温度降低，利于转录启动



c) Pribnow Box 的突变与遗传效应

R
B
I
 ----T₈₂T₈₄G₇₈A₆₅C₅₄A₄₅----T₈₀A₉₅T₄₅A₈₀A₅₀T₉₆----c(A/G)t---- (100)

λ-C17 TATAAT



G

A

λ-pRE AAGTAT



C

C

LRNA-str TAAAAT



C

Bio-p98 TAAATT



C

gal TATGGT



T

LRNA-tyr TATGAT



C

C

LRNA-trp TTA**ACT**
↓
C

λ-CiR T**ACACT**
↓ ↓ ↓
C G C

Lac-p115 T**ATTGT**
↓
A

λ-Clac TAT**GTT**
AA
↑ ↑

14/16 down mutation

2/16 up mutation

● Probnow Box A/T → G/C 双螺旋体稳定性加强, 转录率下降

● Pribnow Box 中A/T→T/A, 改变了碱基堆积状况

改变了RNAPol. 与模板链的结合效率

转录效率上升 (或下降)

- Sextama Box 与Pribnow Box 间距17bp,

有利于RNAPol启动

间距趋近于17 bp, up mutation

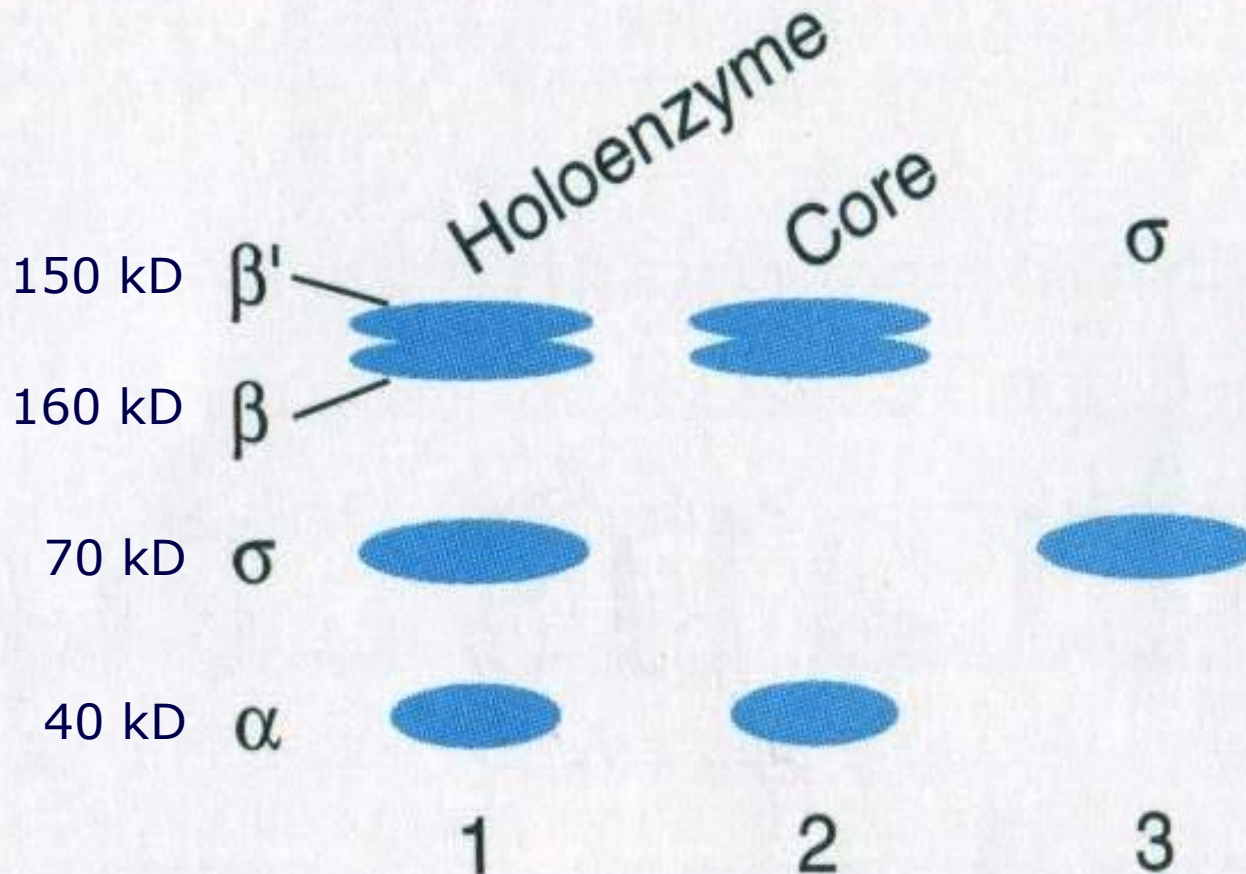
间距远离于17 bp, down mutation

17bp的间距较17bp的
序列对转录更为重要

4.1.2. RNA polymerase in prokaryotes

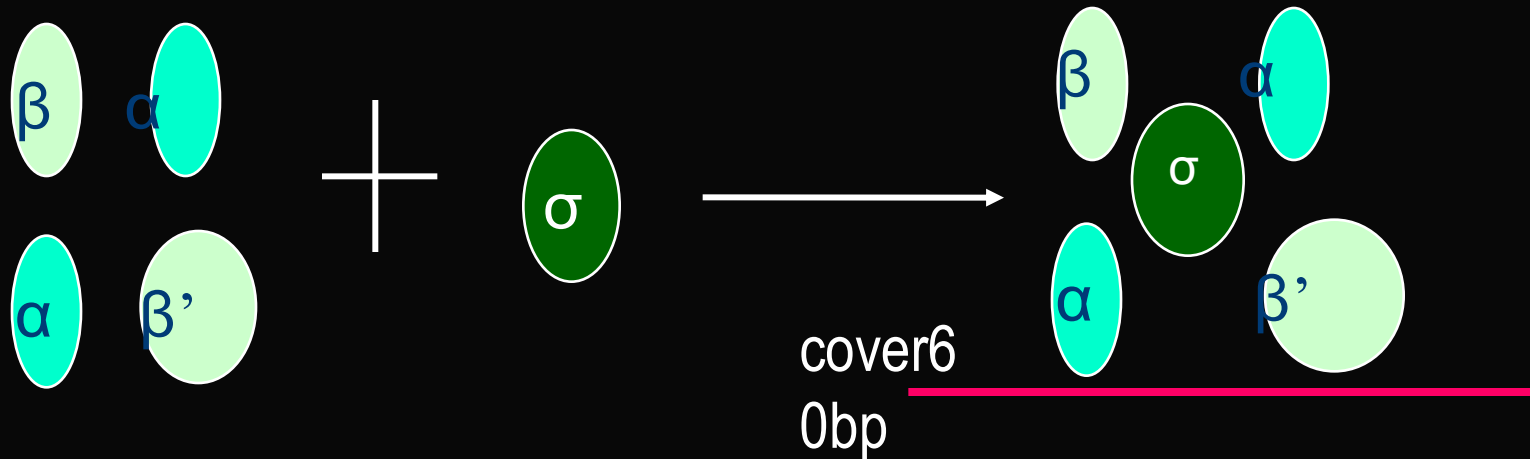
separation of the subunits of E. coli RNA polymerase by SDS-PAGE

Richard Burgess and Andrew Travers (1969)



(来源：分子生物学 (2007)，郑用璜，第30页)

4.1.2. RNA polymerase in prok.



Core Enzyme
for elongation

依靠静电作用力

非专一性与非特异DNA结合

半衰期：60'

Holo Enzyme
for initiation

依靠空间结构

专一性与特异DNA结合

半衰期：数小时

σ 因子;

- ★ 重复使用(Re-usable)

- ★ 使 Holo-enzyme 识别 σ 35 Box, 与模板链结合

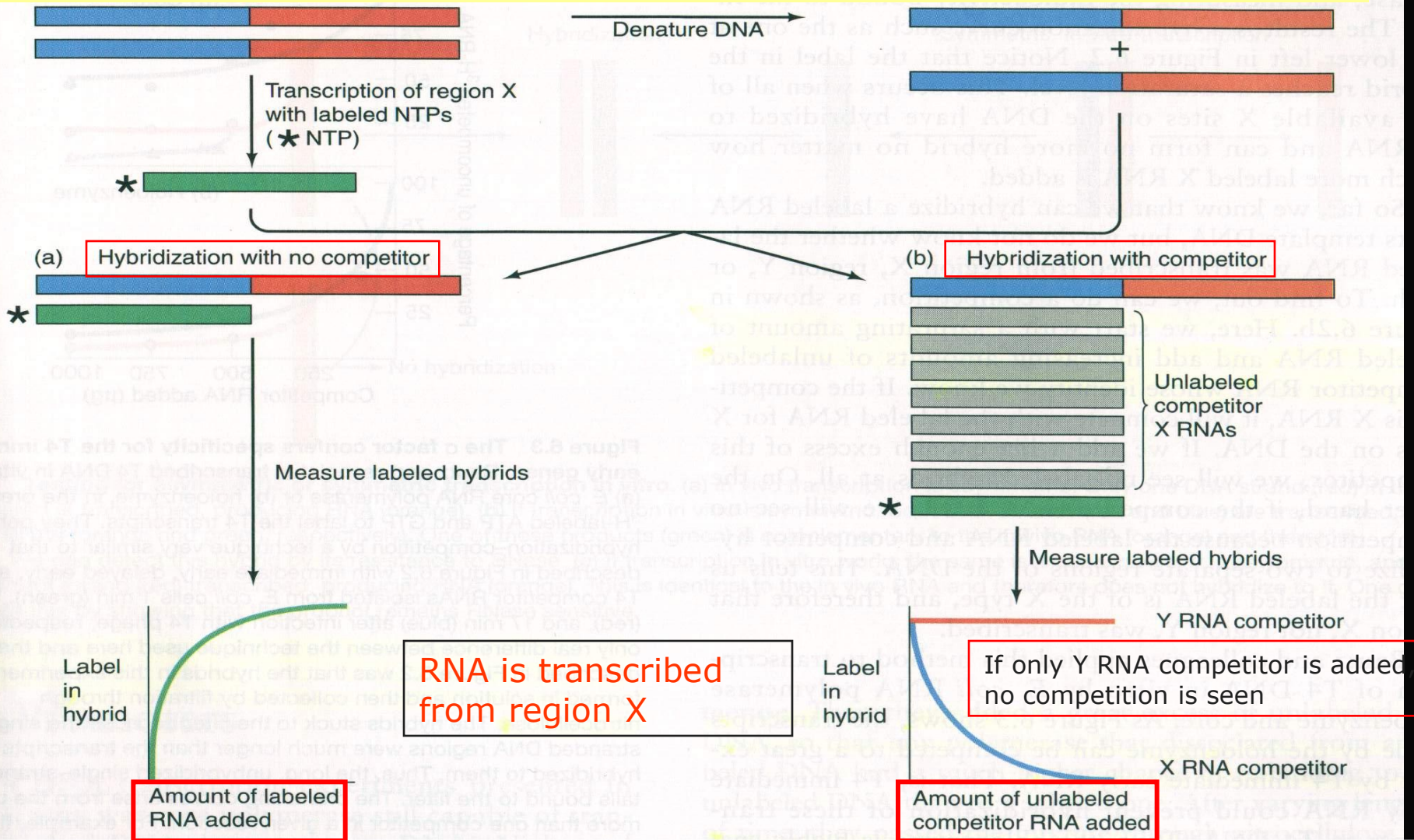
- ★ 修饰 RNAPol 构型

降低全酶与DNA的**非专一性**结合力

增强全酶与R, B site的**专一性**结合力

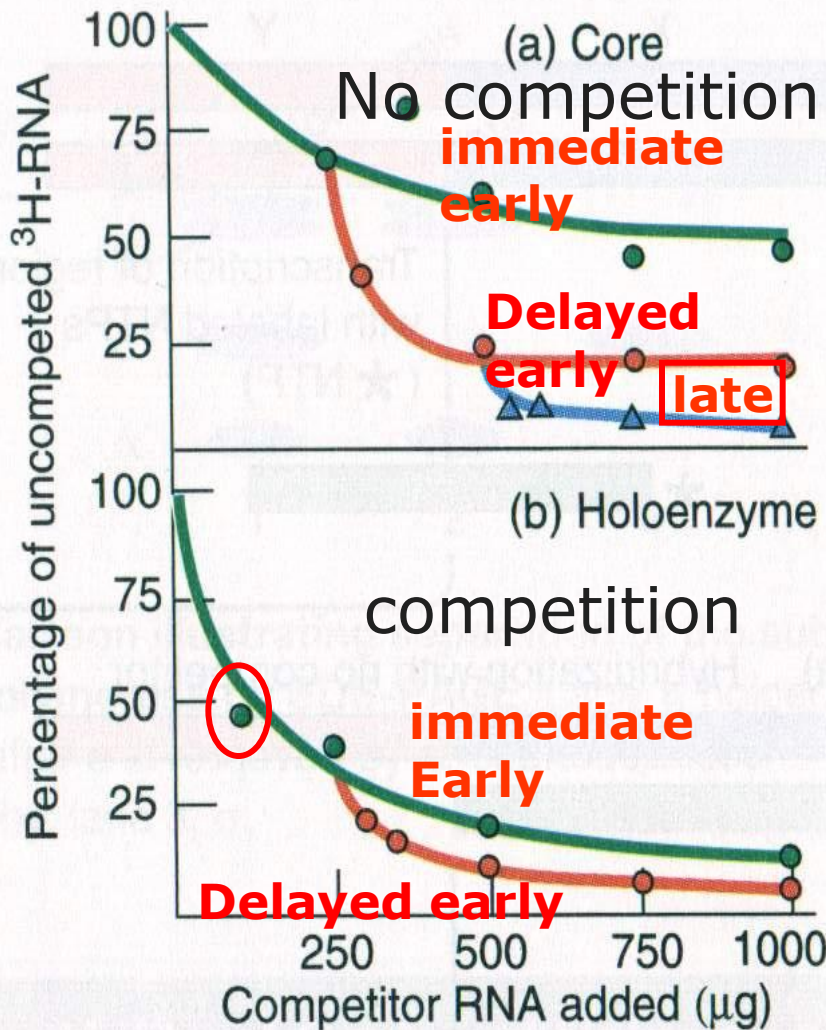
导致**RNA链的延伸缓慢**

被标记的转录物与相应的RNA-competitor才能表现为“competition”
被标记的转录物特异性越高，表现的“competition”效应越明显



(来源: 不详)

T4 competitor RNAs isolated from E. coli cells 1 min (green), 5 min (red), and 17 min (blue) after infection with T4 phage



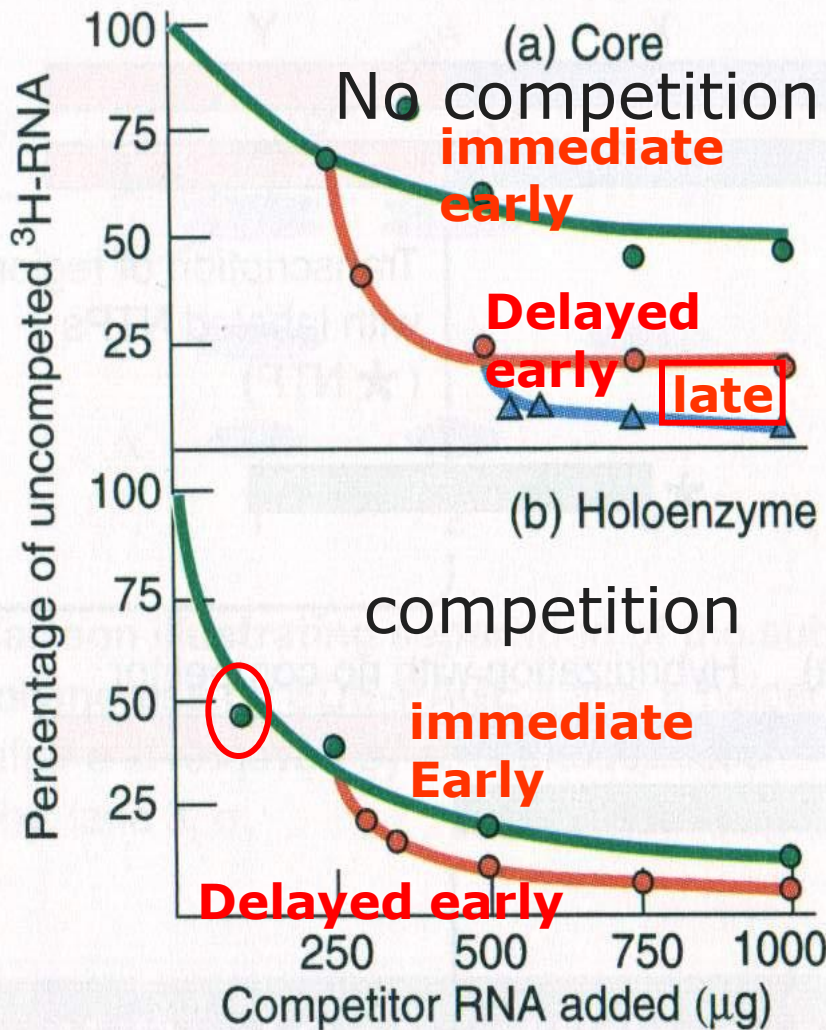
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By contrast
core enzyme
(without σ
subunit) has no
specificity

Holoenzyme
(with σ subunit)

is highly specific
for immediate
early and delayed
early genes of
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**H³-T7 DNA + Holo
E/Core E**



**Excess unlabeled T7
DNA**
stimulates tight
binding between
Holoenzyme and promoter



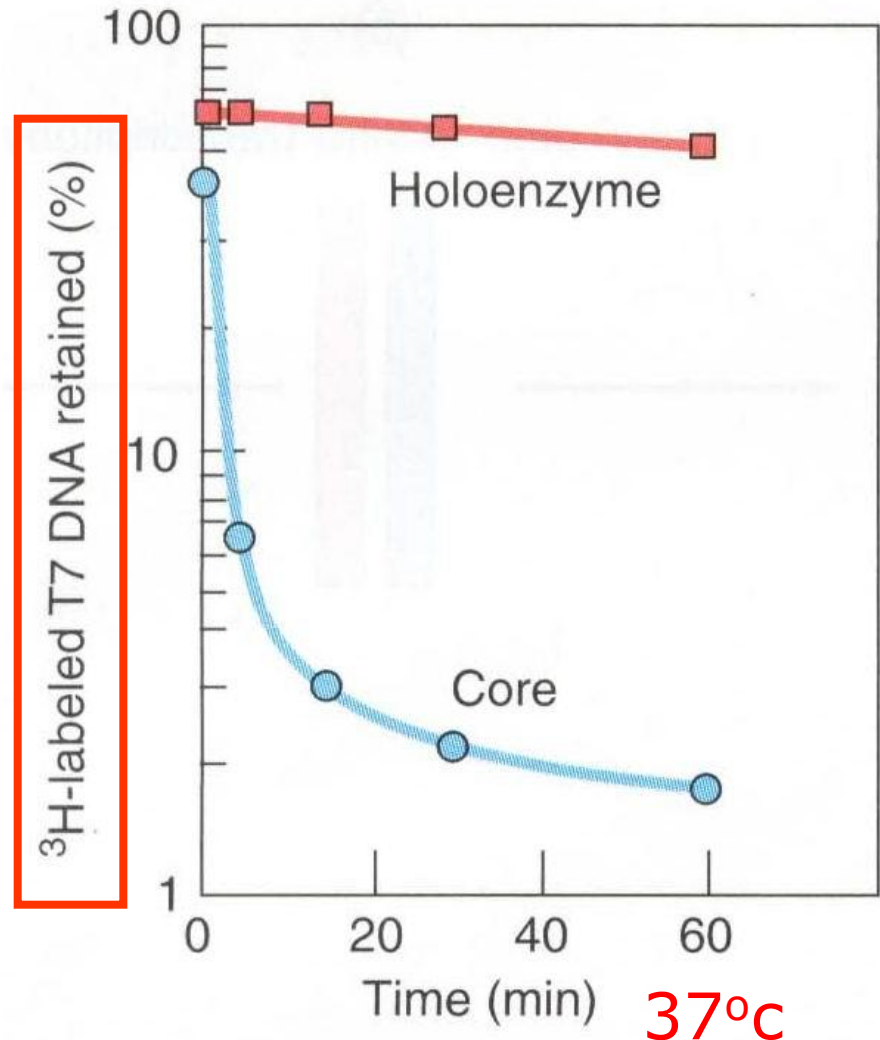
Filtered mixtures
through Nitrocellulose



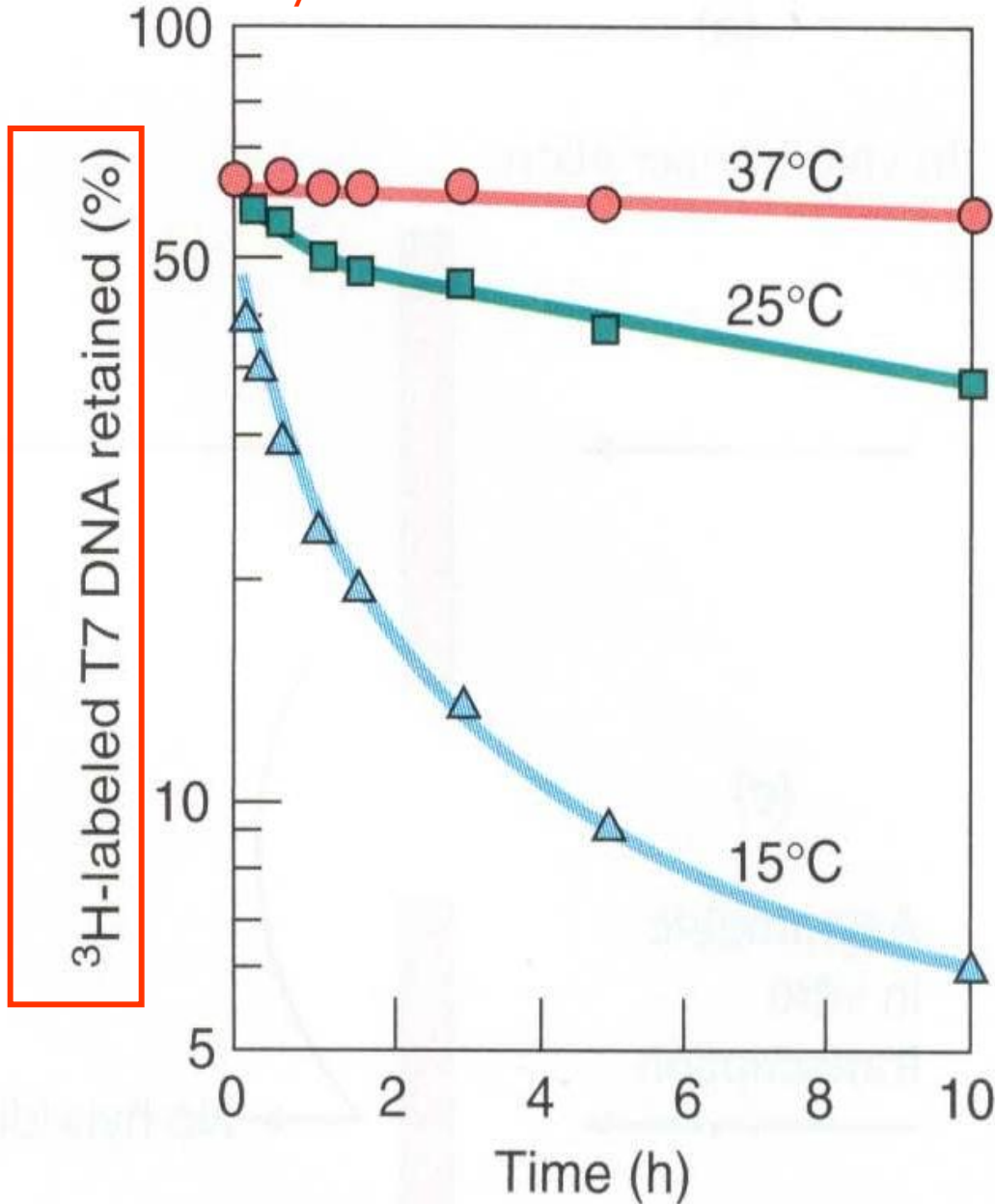
**Monitor H³-T7 DNA/E
retained**

(source: "Studies of the Binding of Escherichia coli RNA Polymerase to DNA" Journal of Molecular Biology, Vol. 70, 157-85, 1972)

Sigma stimulates tight binding between
RNA polymerase and promoter

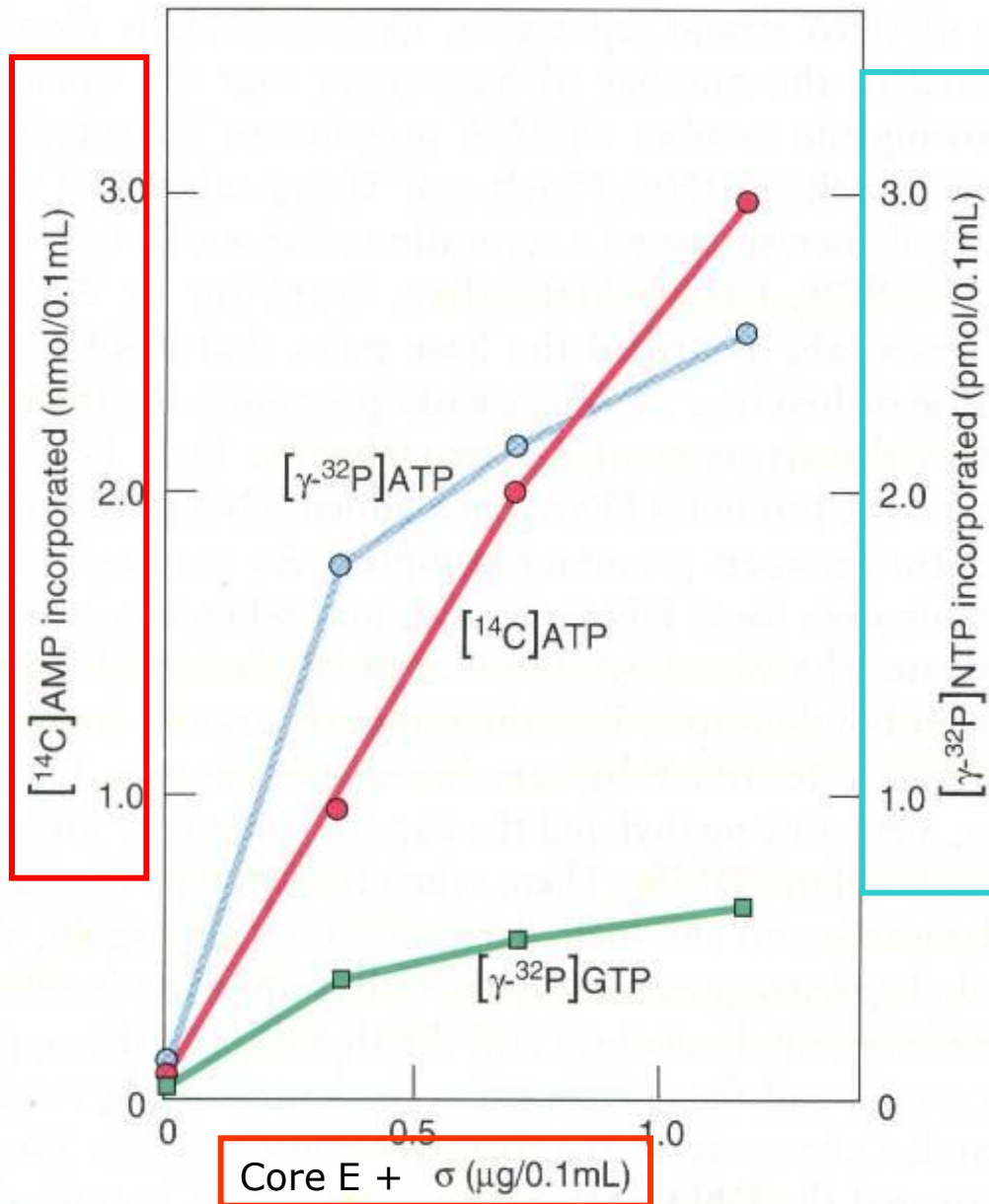


Holoenzyme and ^3H -labeled T7 DNA



**higher
temperature
favors tighter
binding
between RNA
polymerase
holoenzyme
and
T7 DNA (37°C)**

σ factor stimulate initiation of transcription



$\gamma\text{-P}^{32}\text{ATP}$

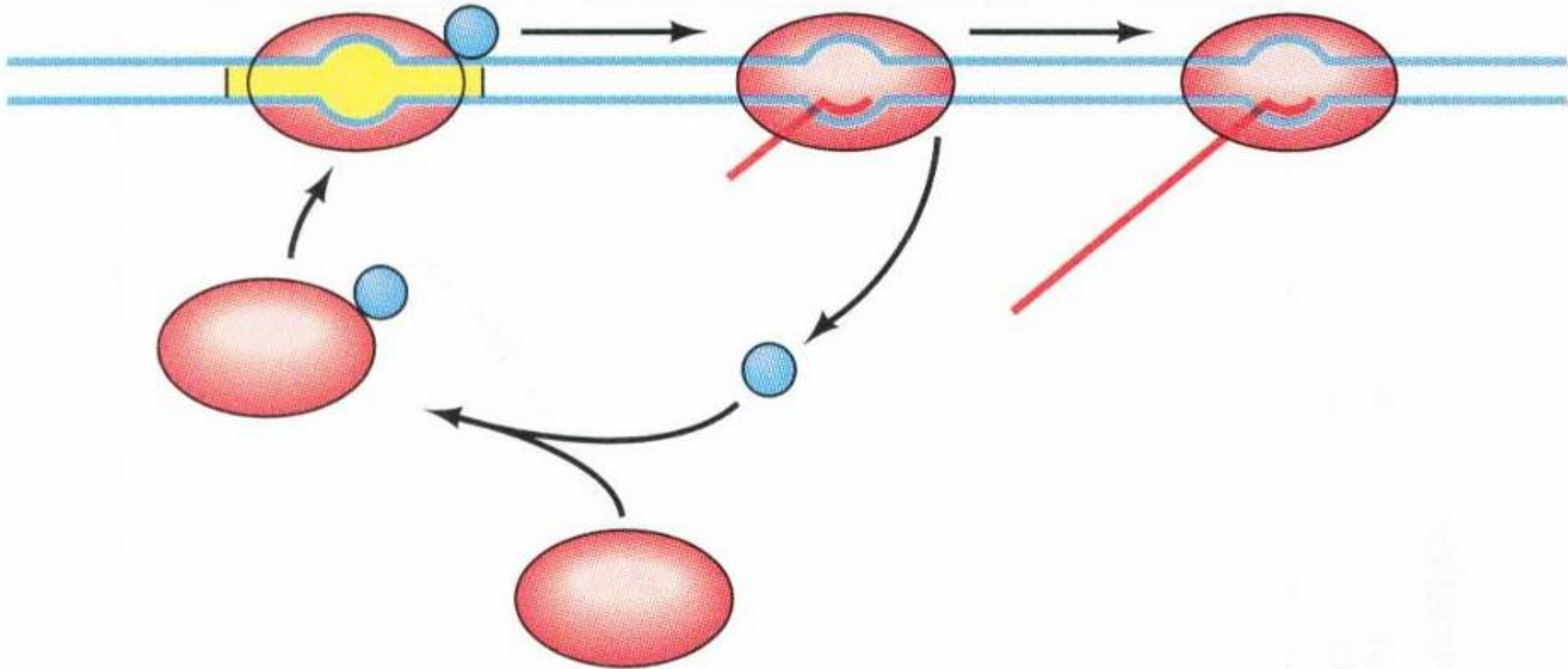
$^{14}\text{C}\text{ATP}$?

$\gamma\text{-P}^{32}\text{GTP}$?!

$^{14}\text{C}\text{ATP}$ measured bulk RNA synthesis, or elongation

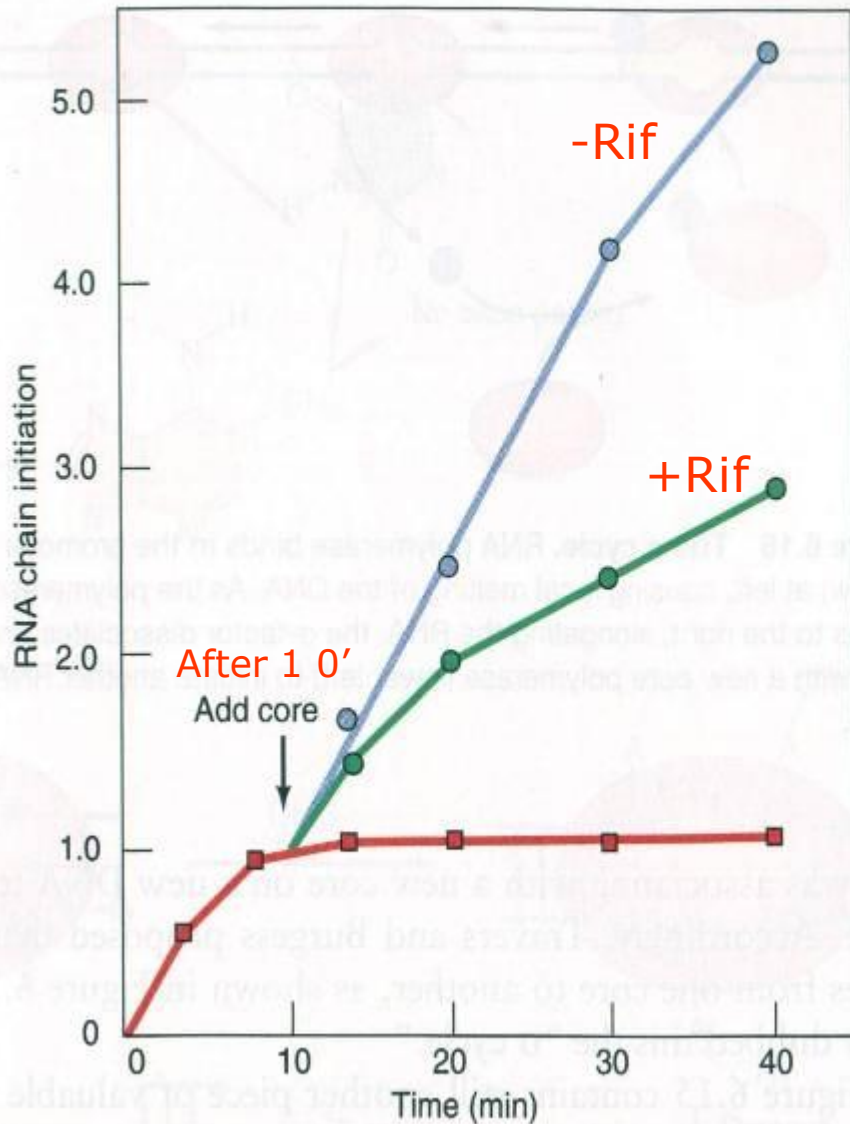
σ factor stimulate elongation and initiation of transcription

σ factor can be reused



(来源：分子生物学（2007），郑用琏，第130页)

σ factor can be reused



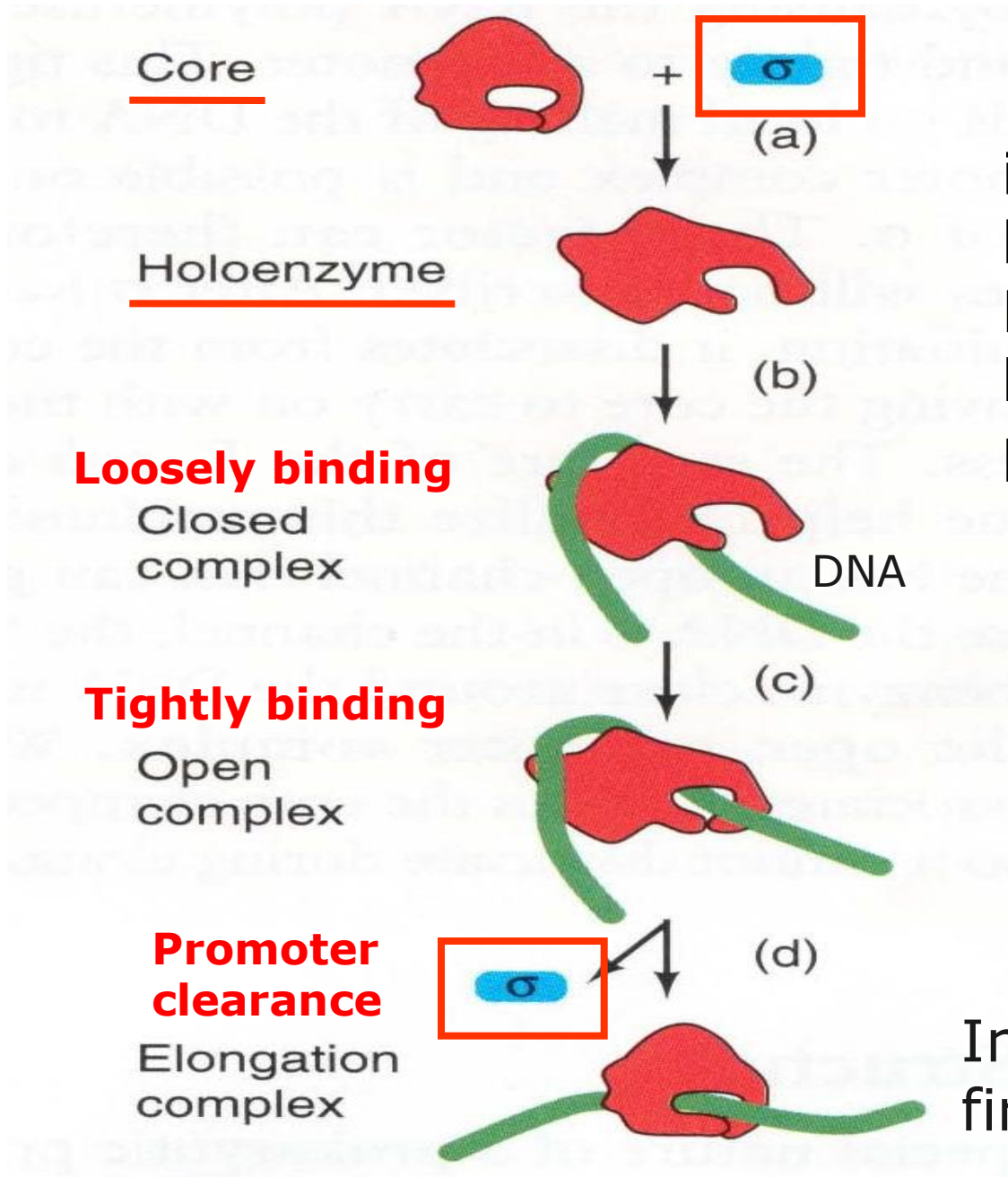
initiation of RNA chains
measured by $[\gamma\text{-}^{32}\text{p}]\text{ATP}$ /
 $[\gamma\text{-}^{32}\text{p}]\text{GTP}$ incorporation

added new, rif^{R} core-E



restart RNA synthesis

new core E
associated with
 σ that had been
released from
original holoE



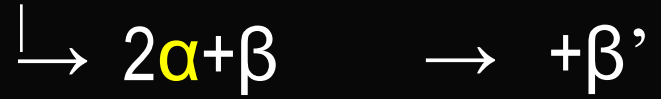
Model of the interaction between *E. coli* RNA polymerase holoenzyme and a promoter.

Incorporating the first few Nt

(来源: 不详)

α 亚基;

★ 核心酶的组建亚基 $\alpha+\alpha$

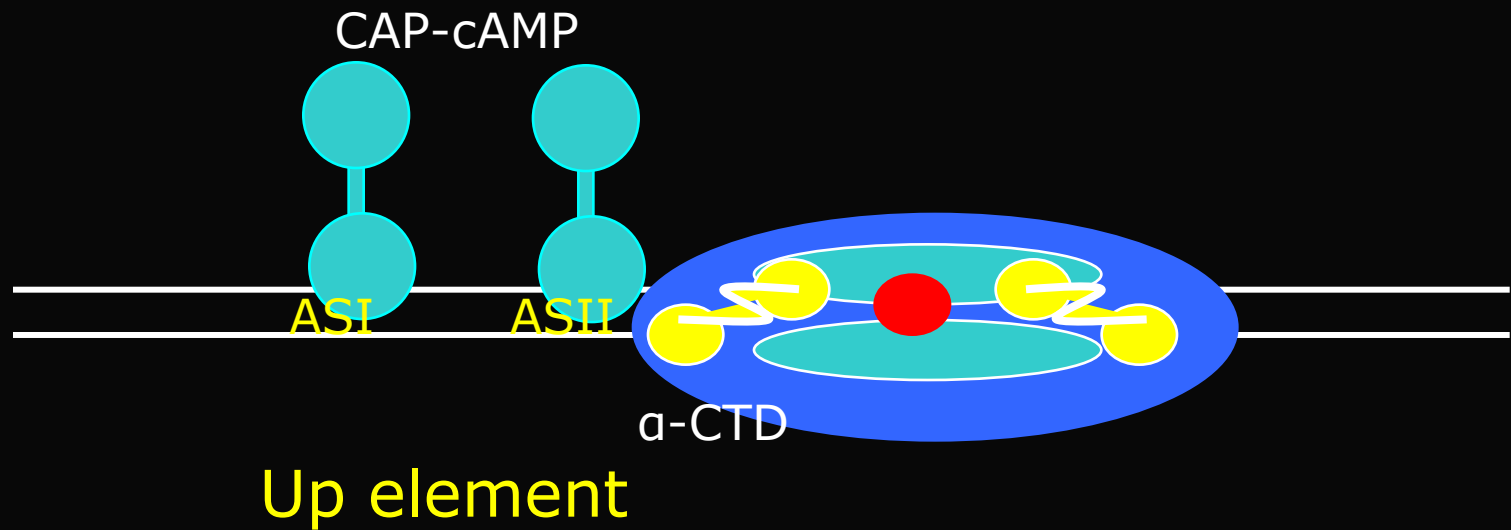


★ 位于前端的 α 亚基使双链解链为单链

★ 位于尾端的 α 亚基使单链新聚合为双链

★ 促使RNAPol与DNA模板链上游元件结合

(CAP-cAMP与AS1、AS2结合), α 亚基CTD (carboxyl terminal domain) 延伸至AS2, 与CAP-cAMP结合



Up element + CAP-cAMP + RNA Polymerase 复合体

CAP-cAMP 与 RNA Polymerase 的 α -CTD 结合，激活转录

Importance of the α in UP element recognition

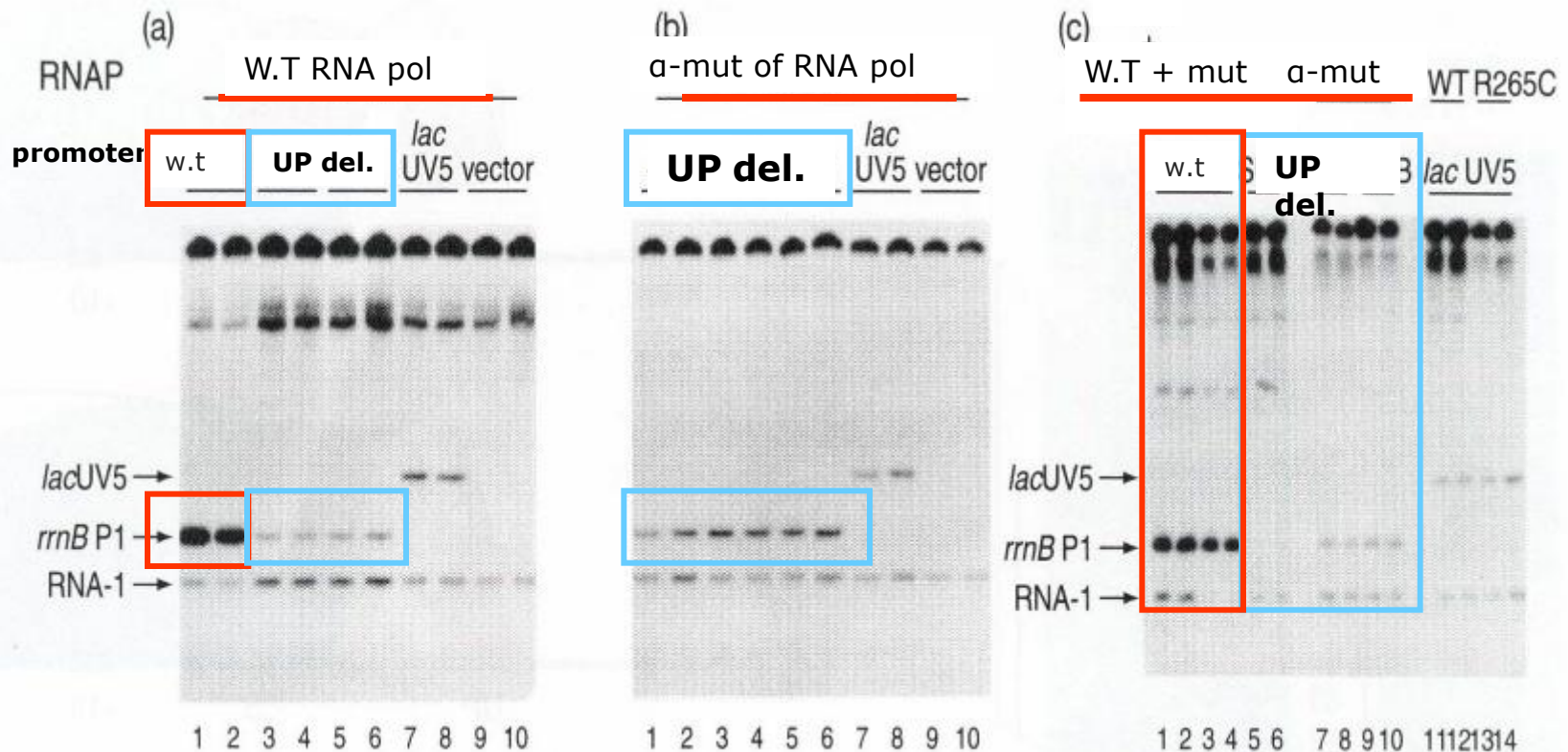
Richard Gourse (Science 262 (26 Nov 1993))

- **w.t.** promoter
very strong rrnB P1 promoter region (-88 to +1),
- **mut.** promoter
(SUB: an irrelevant seq. instead of UP from -59 to -41)
(-41: lacked the UP upstream of -41 and vector seq instead)

transcribed with **three different RNA polymerases (RNA-P)**,

- (1) **wild-type** polymerase with a normal **α -subunit**;
- (2) **α -235**, α -subunit was missing 94 aa from C-terminus;
- (3) **R265C**, α -subunit contained at position 265.
Cysteine (C) in place of the normal Arginine (R)

- included a labeled nucleotide to label the RNA
- gel electrophoresis
- performed autoradiography to visualize the RNA products



Importance of the α subunit in UP element recognition

Source: Ross et al., A third recognition element in bacterial promoters :Dna binding by the alpha subunit of RNA polymerase. Science 262(26 Nov 1993) f.2,p.1408

β 亚基；

- ★ 促进RNA pol + NTP \rightarrow RNA elongation
- ★ 完成 NMP之间的磷酸脂键的连接
- ★ Editing
- ★ 与 Rho(ρ)因子竞争RNA 3'-end
- ★ 构成Holo Enzyme后， β 因子含有两个位点
 - I site (Rif^S)； 专一性地结合ATP or GTP
要求高浓度的ATP or GTP
 - E site (Rif^R)； 对 NTP 非专一性结合

β' 亚基;

- ★ 强碱性亚基
- ★ 促使RNA polymerase与非模板链（sense strand）结合
- ★ 受K酶抑制

Holo Enzyme 含有五个功能位点

- ★ sense strand DNA binding point(β')
- ★ DNA/RNA hybrid site(β)
- ★ D. S.DNA unwinding point(α)
- ★ S. S.DNA rewinding point(α)
- ★ σ factor point

原核生物RNAPol (Core) 的结构与功能

Enzyme Movement

DNA coding strand (β')

Rewinding point (α)

Unwinding point (α)

Core Enzyme 使 DNA 形成10-17bp的解链区

DNA template strand

RNA binding site

RNA/DNA hybrid (β)

原核生物RNAPol (Core) 的结构与功能

Enzyme Movement

I site (Rif^S) ; 专一性地结合ATP or GTP

E site (Rif^R) ; 非专一性结合 NTP

I E

RNA binding site

RNA/DNA hybrid (β)

locate the determination
of Rifampin resistance

Purification of the **individual
subunits** of *E.coli* RNA polymerase
in Urea electrophoresis buffer

(Alfred heil & Ziling 1970)



Separation and reconstitution of RNA polymerase

Source: Heil, A. and Zillig, W. Reconstitution of bacterial DNA-dependent RNA-polymerase from isolated subunits as a tool for the elucidation of the role of the subunits in transcription. FEBS Letters 11(Dec 1970)p.166,f.1.)

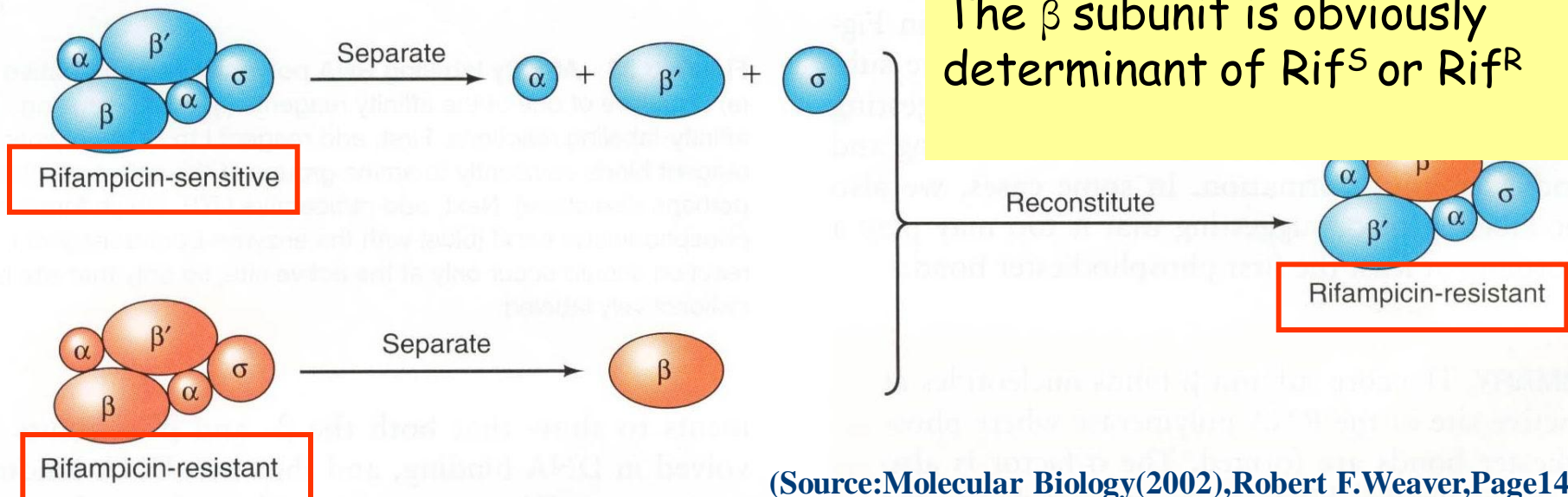
Reconstitution of RNAPol.

the $\alpha+\alpha+\delta+\beta'$ from Rif^R E.coli + β from Rif^S E.coli

The reconstituted RNA polymerase was Rif^S, regardless of the origin of the other subunits

the $\alpha+\alpha+\delta+\beta'$ from Rif^S E.coli + β from Rif^R E.coli

The reconstituted RNA polymerase was Rif^R, regardless of the origin of the other subunits



Rifampicin对RNApol 的抑制表现

- Rif 与ATP / GTP对I site的竞争

Rif紧密与 β 亚基结合 → 阻止ATP/GTP对I site 的填充

- 当I, E site被pppXpYpZ(3Nts)填充,

Rif失去抑制效应

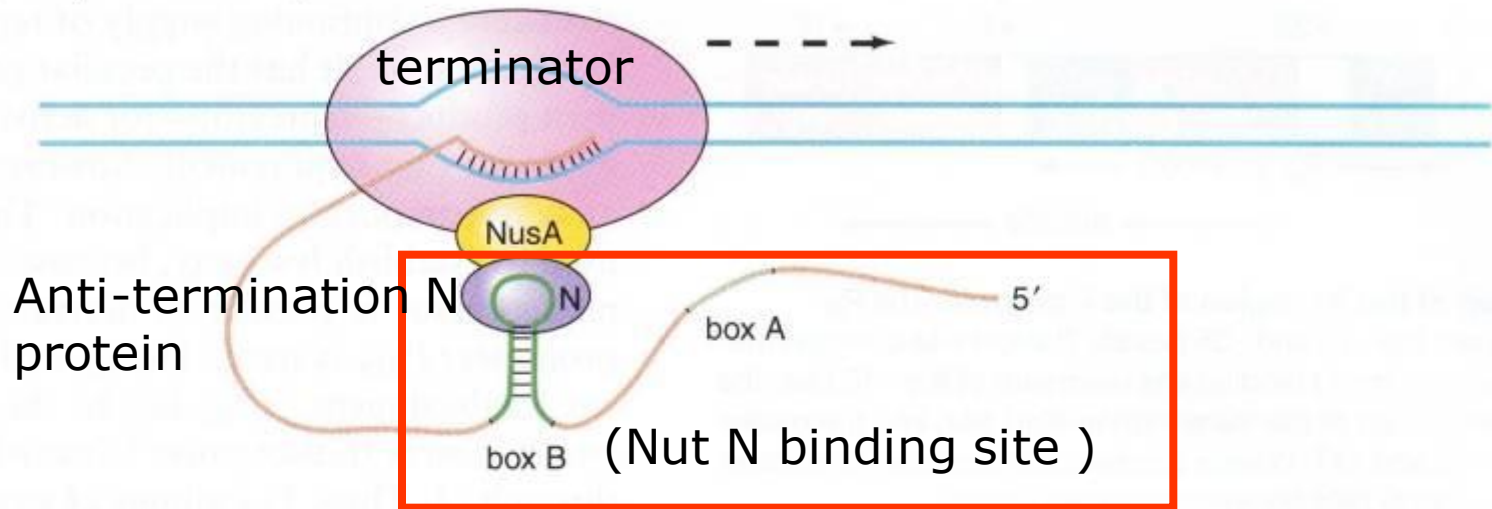
Rifampicin是RNA合成起始的抑制剂

NusA protein ;

(antitermination N protein utilization substance)

- ★ 69 Kd, acid protein
- ★ RNAPol-attaching factor
- ★ After initiation → substituting σ → NusA + core E
- ★ Impel RNAPol. pausing in terminator for 1'-15' and waiting for **Rho** factor to stop transcription of RNA

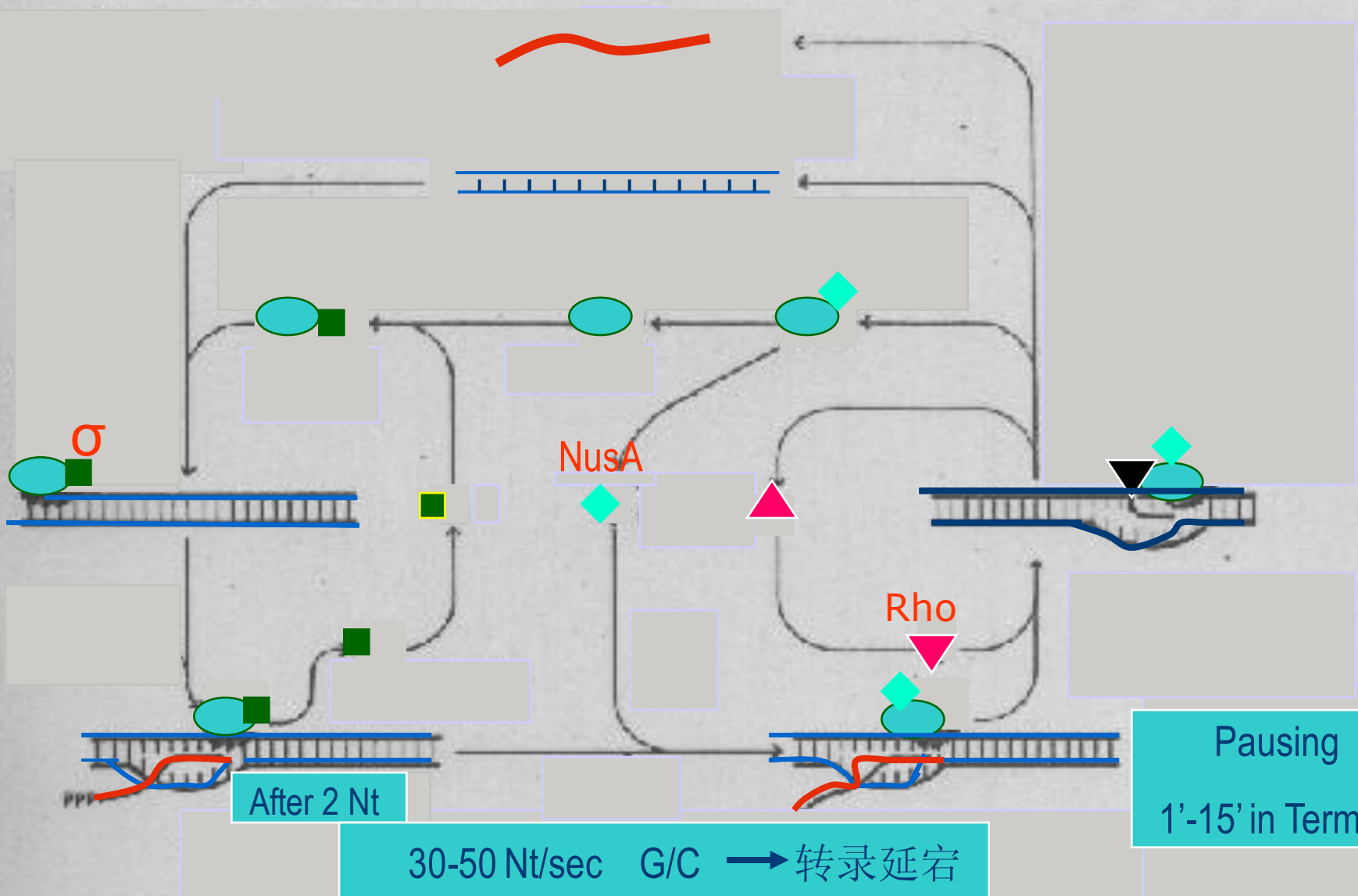
(a) Weak, nonprocessive complex



(Source: Molecular Biology (2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 213)

NusA binds to polymerase, and N binds to both NusA and **box B of the nut site region** of the transcript, creating a loop in the growing RNA. This complex is relatively weak and can cause antitermination only at terminators near the nut site (These conditions exist only in vitro.).

原核生物转录的起始与延伸过程



Promoter与 σ factor 间的结合专效性

- 决定了 strong promoter & weak promoter
 - ★ 启动子中-35, -10 区序列的差异影响与 RNAPol 中 σ 因子的结合能力
 - ★ 不同启动子的-35, -10区序列间存在较为保守的标准序列(标准启动子)
- σ factor is responsible for recognition of consensus sequence of promoter and only required for initiation.

- Transcriptional regulation by alternative factor

in *E.coli* for stress condition

----- When 37°C ; genes expressed in *E.coli* by RNAPol with σ^{70}

----- When > 37°C;

More than 17 proteins are expressed in *E.coli* through transcription by RNAPol using an alternative σ^{32} , which have own specific promoter consensus sequence

*E.coli*的热激响应是由一种可转变的 σ -因子 σ^{32} (σ^H)所控制， σ^{32} (σ^H) 取代 σ^{70} (σ^A)来介导RNA聚合酶与热激蛋白基因的启动子结合。

Results and Discussion

Molecular Biology: gene & interaction

Interaction:

Cis & Trans: Protein & DNA (DNA pol & DNA, RNA pol & promoter),
more to come, and more to find

Trans & Trans? Cis & Cis?

Case study:

Understand the concept, principle, and conclusion

Get familiar with the way of thinking and investigation

Develop the ability to identify, dissect, and solve problem

Platform:

Mind training and curiosity development

Enjoyment: the beauty of nature & the sparks of human wisdom

4.2. RNA transcription promotion in Eukaryotes



2006年度诺贝尔化学奖授予美国科学家**罗杰.科恩伯格**，以表彰他对真核转录的分子基础所作的研究。

2007.10.26晚病逝，享年89岁

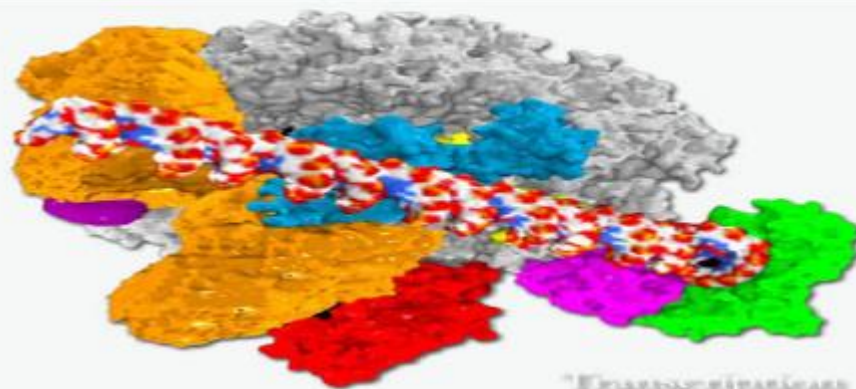


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RNA Polymerase

Transcription

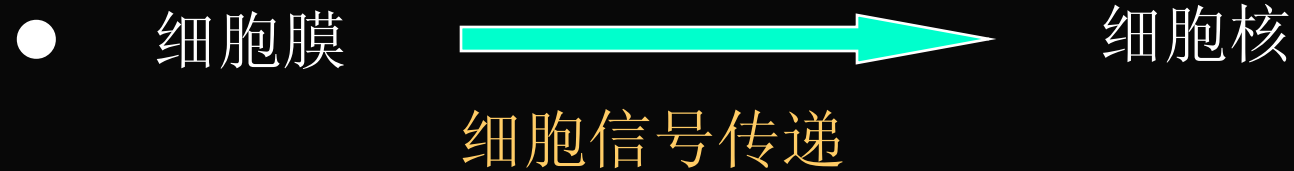
X-ray Crystallography

Electron Microscopy

(来源：不详)

4.2.1. Biological state before transcriptional starting

外界信息的感知与传递



- 染色体状态的调整
核小体 包装的解体

H3 protein out

DNase^S

- Transcriptional factor (TF, trans factor)
RNAPol
Cis-factor

} complex

4.2.2. 与转录启动相关的cis-factors

- 基本水平转录的 cis-factor

(promoter or basic factor)

Core promoter (Cap site, TATA box 必需因子)

UPE (Upstream Promoter Element) (CAAT box, GC box)

For housekeeping gene (constitutive expression)

- 特异诱导高效表达的cis-factor

Enhancer

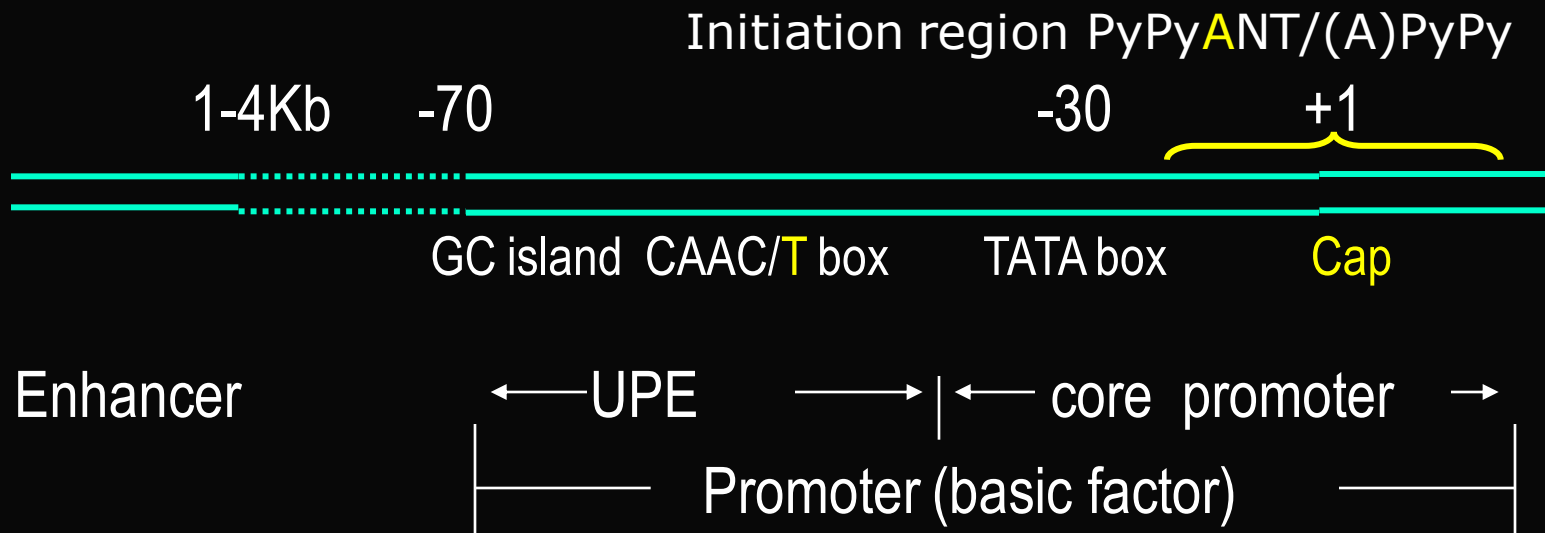
For luxury gene (inducible expression)

4.2.2.1. Promoter for basic transcription

(class II recognized by RNA polymerase II)

- Cap site ; initiation point (+1)

Capping m^7Gppp A/G-----70 \pm ---AUG---(in mRNA)



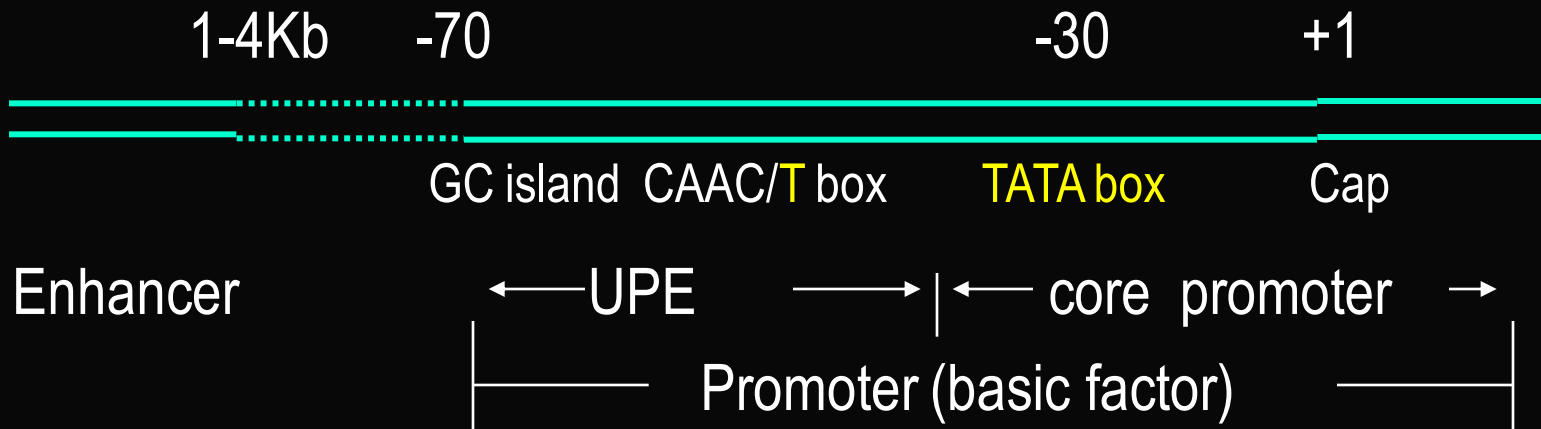
Promoter for basic transcription

- TATA box / Hogness box / Goldberg-Hogness box (-30)

Rich AT and rich GC flanked

rich GC-----T A T A A (T) A A (T)-----rich GC

82 97 93 85 63 (37) 83 50 (37)



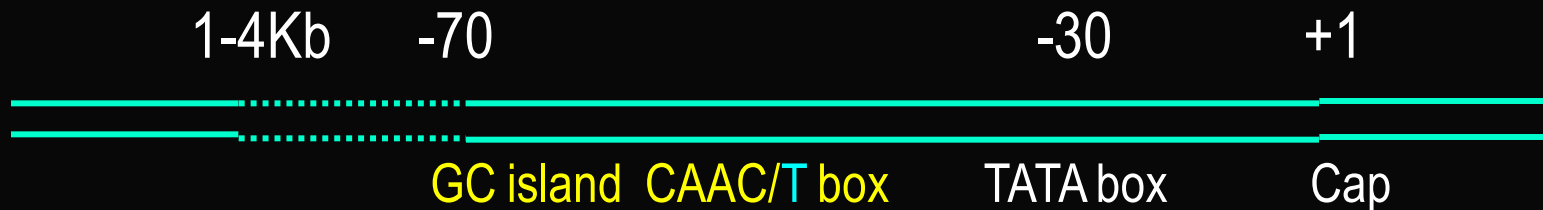
Promoter for basic transcription

- GC island (C no methylated) and CAAT box (CAT box UPE) (-70)

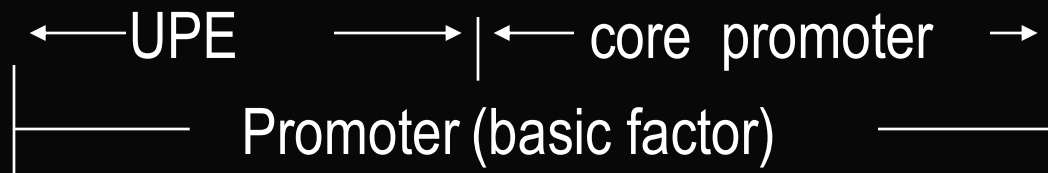
GCGC----GGC(T)CAATCT----

Response to effect of transcription

Range 30 bp \pm

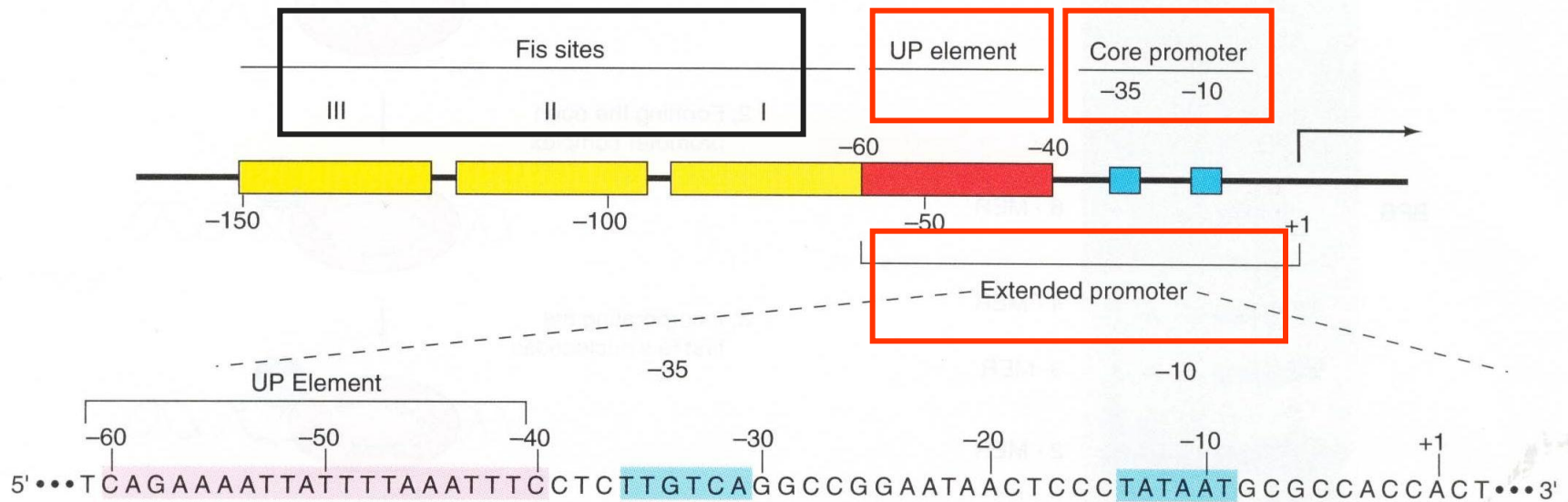
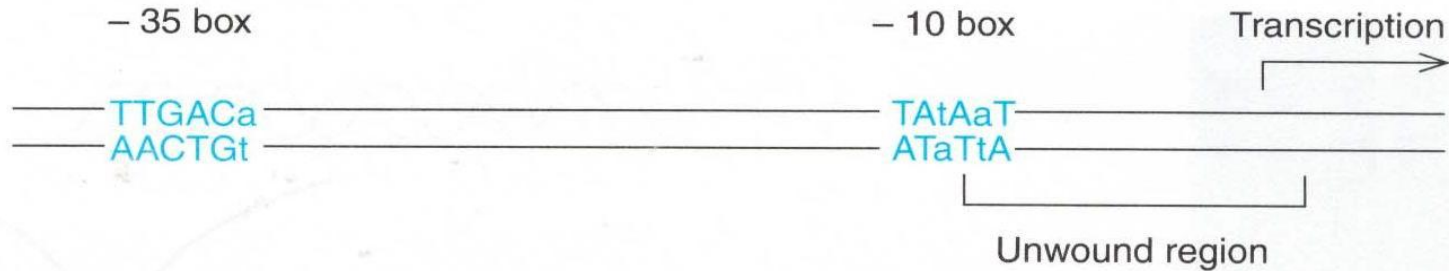


Enhancer



注意与Prok. *E.coli* Promoter 结构与功能的比较

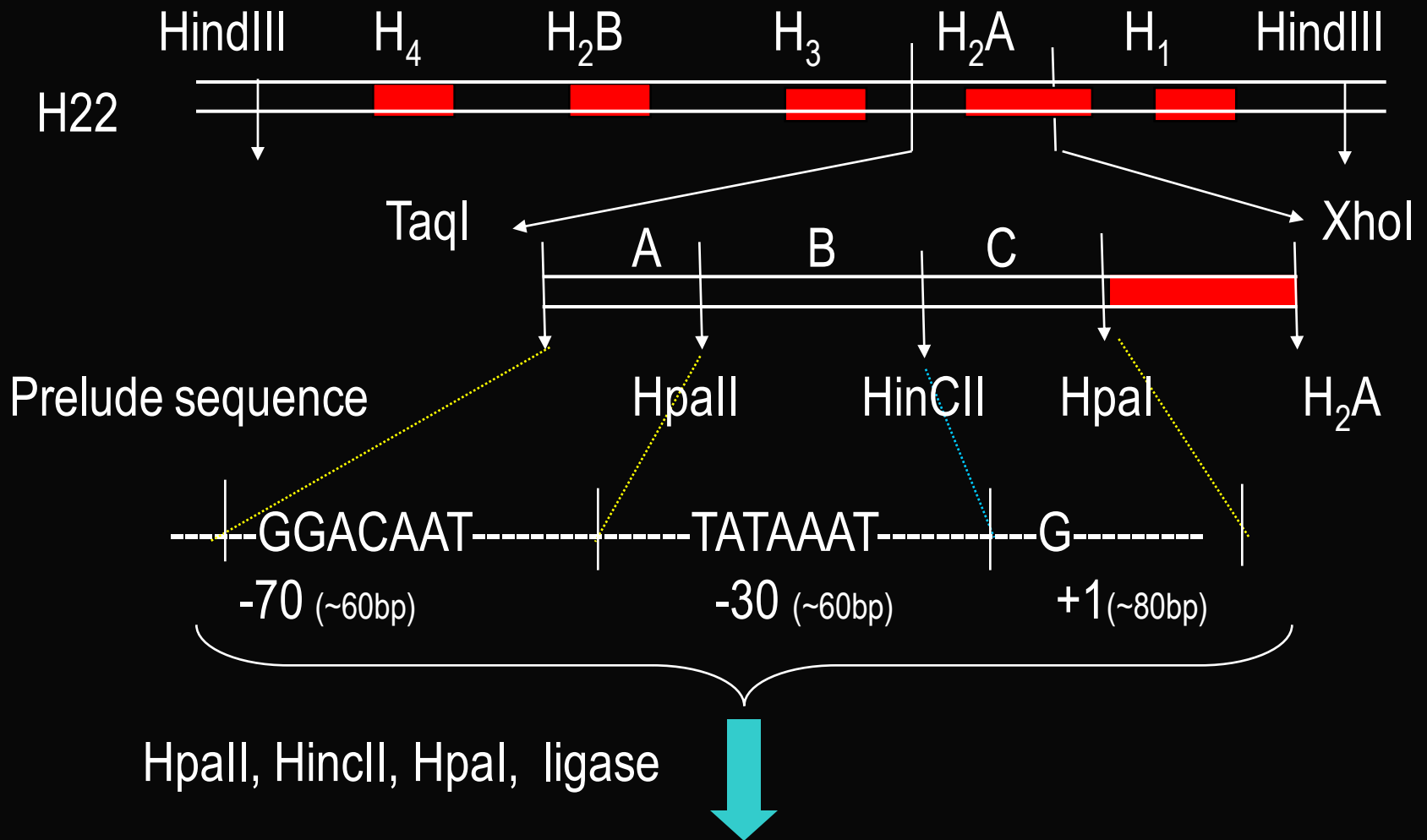
a) promoter 由两个重要部分组成



Source: Ross et al., A third recognition element in bacterial promoters :Dna binding by the alpha subunit of RNA polymerase. Science 262(26 Nov 1993) f.2,p.1408

First identifying of Promoter's function in Euk.

Grosschedl & Max Bernstein (1980) Sea Urchin *in vivo*

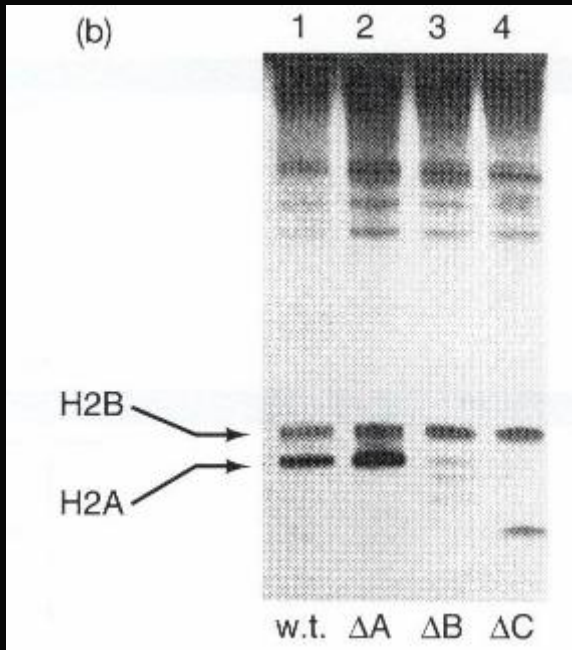


$\Delta A(\Delta B, \Delta C)$ H₂A fragment of H22 of *Sea Urchin*



Xenopus leavis (frog) oocytes

GTP^{α32}, purifying RNA & electrophoresis

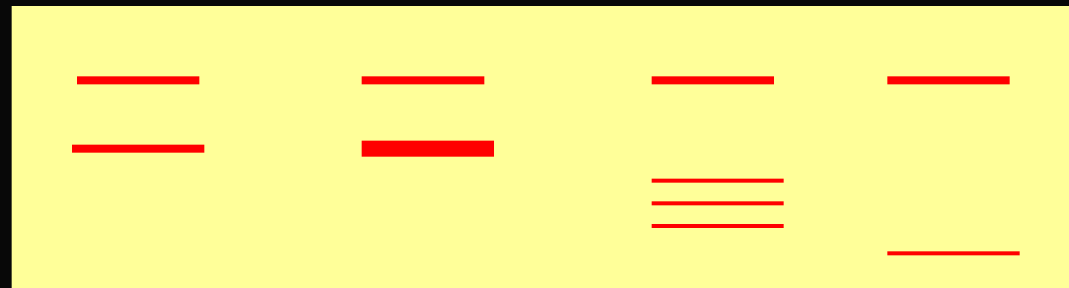


W.t H22

ΔA H₂A

ΔB H₂A

ΔC H₂A



1.0

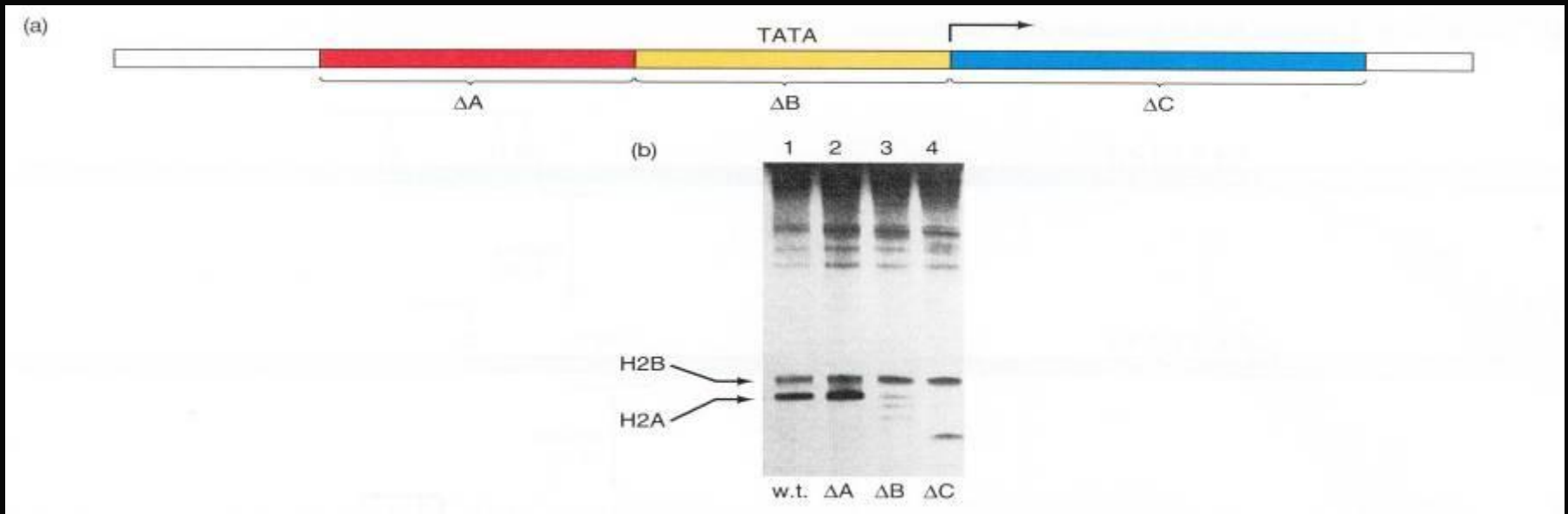
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H2A/H2B

Source: Grosschedl and Bimstiel PNAS 77 (Mar 1980) p. 1434

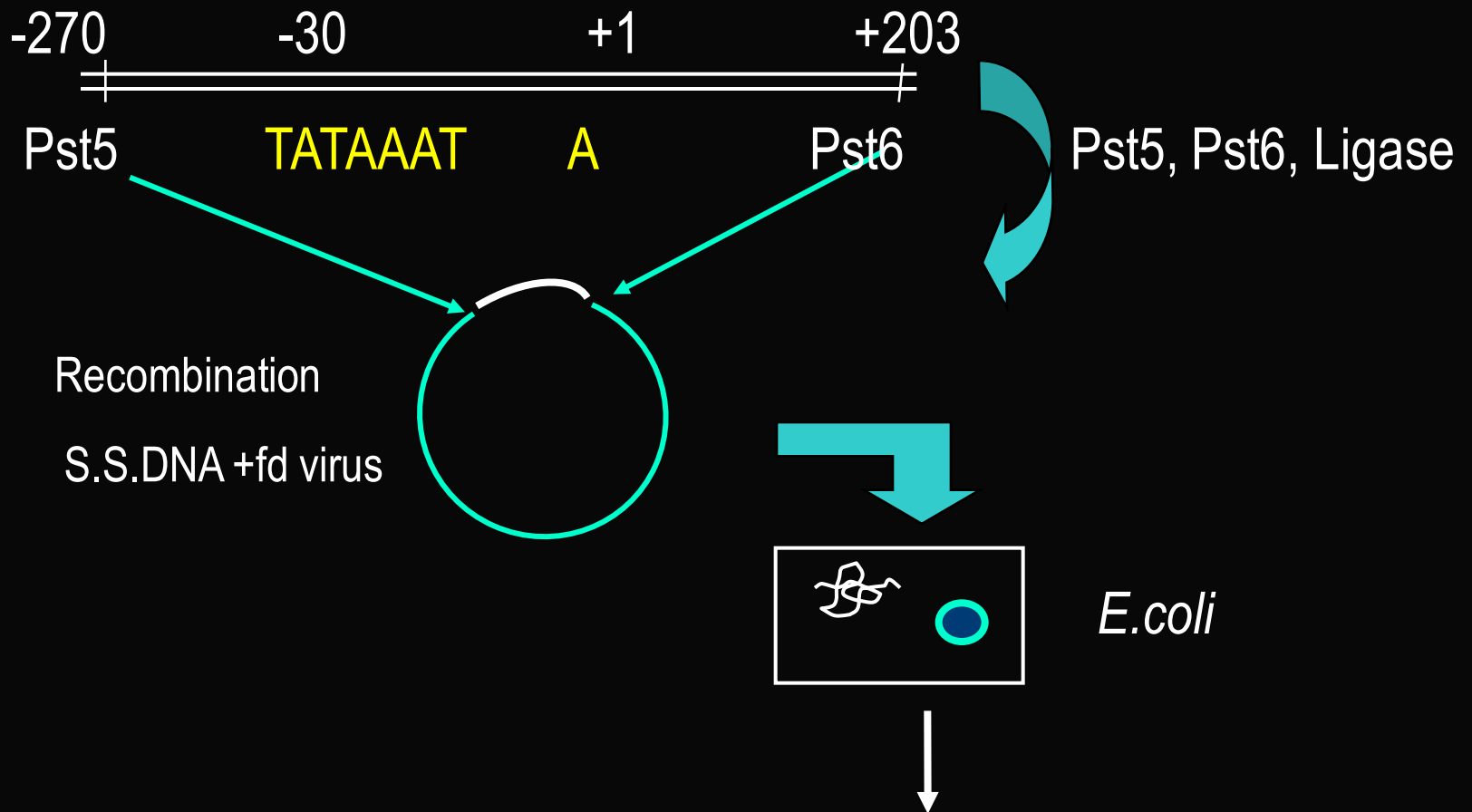


(来源: 分子生物学 (2007), 郑用琏, 第128页)

- Deletion **A** actually **stimulated transcription**
- Deletion **B** (including the TATA box) caused a **decrease** in amount of **transcription** and the appearance of **new transcripts** that result from heterogeneous start sites
- Deletion **C** had little effect on the **amount of transcription**, but shifted the start site downstream, so a **shorter RNA appeared**.

TATA box function

Hen ovalbumin gene expression (Chambon)

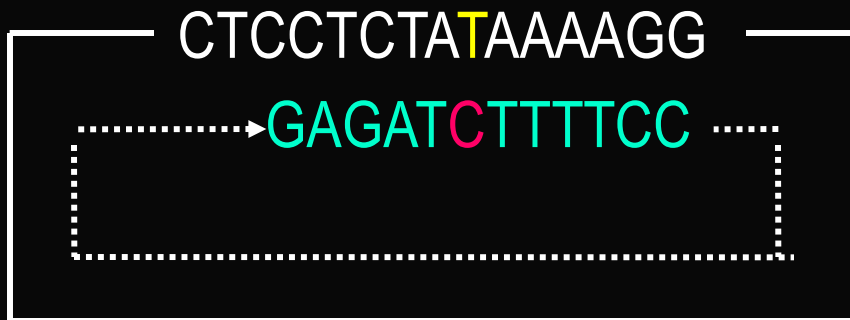
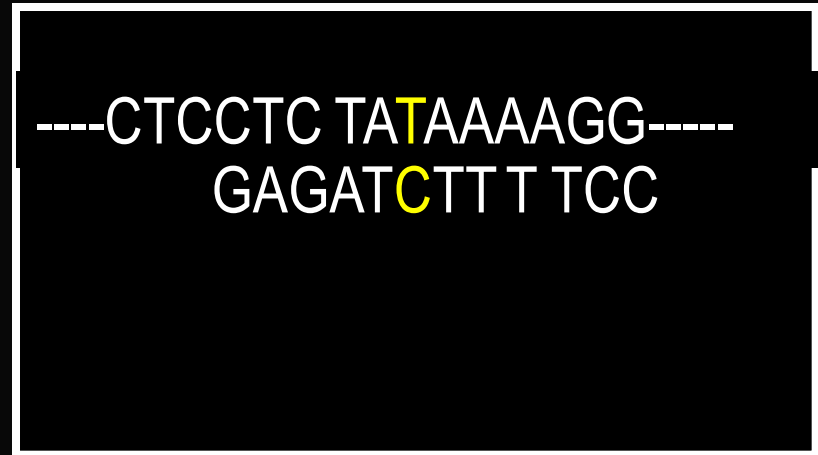


Adding a primer (but, A mut. to C in synthesized s. s. DNA which pairing to TATA box) into *E.coli*

GAGAT^ATTTTCC

↓ Mut. primer

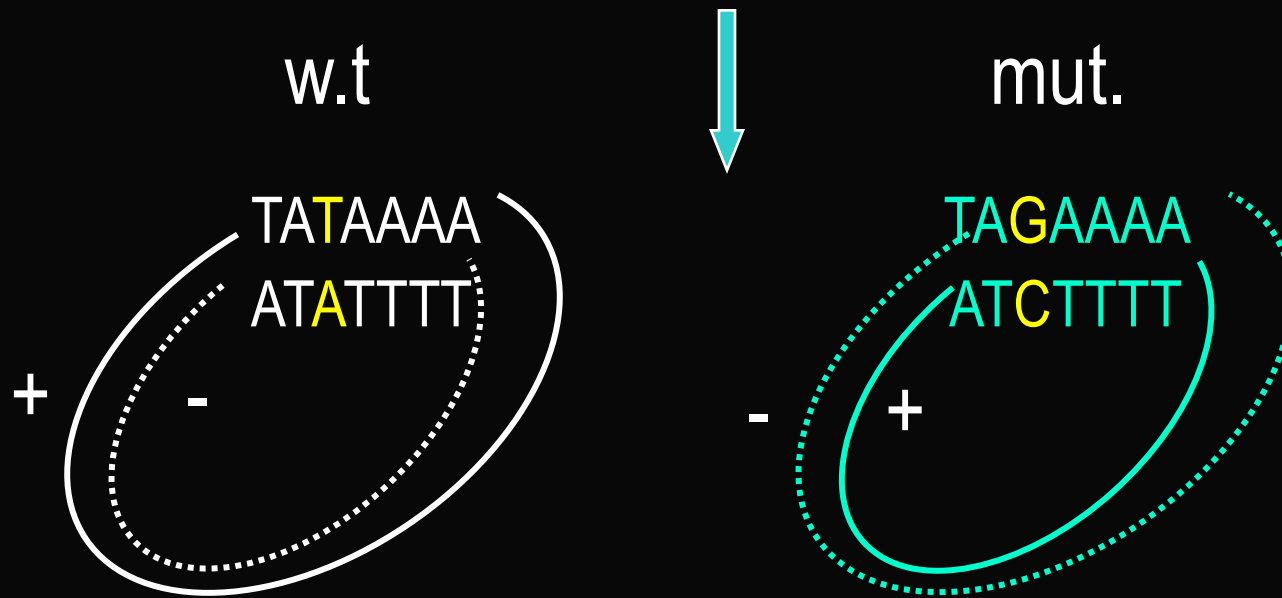
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replication



replication



transcription ovalbumin RNA

In vitro 100%

50% ?

conclusion

- 30bp from TATA box to I site is required
- Promoter functions

CAAT box (modulator) controlling transcriptional efficiency

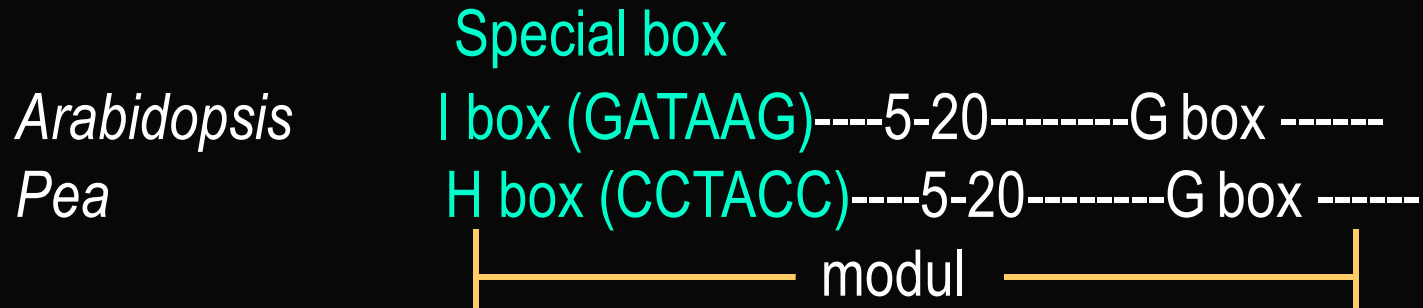
(GC island !!)

TATA box (selector) controlling starting point and efficiency

I site (initiator) determine initiation point and capping of mRNA

4.2.2.2. Cis-factor for inducible expression

- Inducible expressed by environment **Hotspot**



HSE (Heat Shock Element)

GRE (Glucocorticoid Response Element) 糖皮质激素应激元件

MRE (Metal Response Element)

TSE (Tissue Special Element)

Ig ATG**G**AAAT + Oct-2 factor → B 细胞表达

GH ATG**A**ATAT + Pit-1 factor → 脑下垂体表达

● Enhancer

Chambon discovered the first enhancer in the 5'-flanking region of the SV40 early gene.

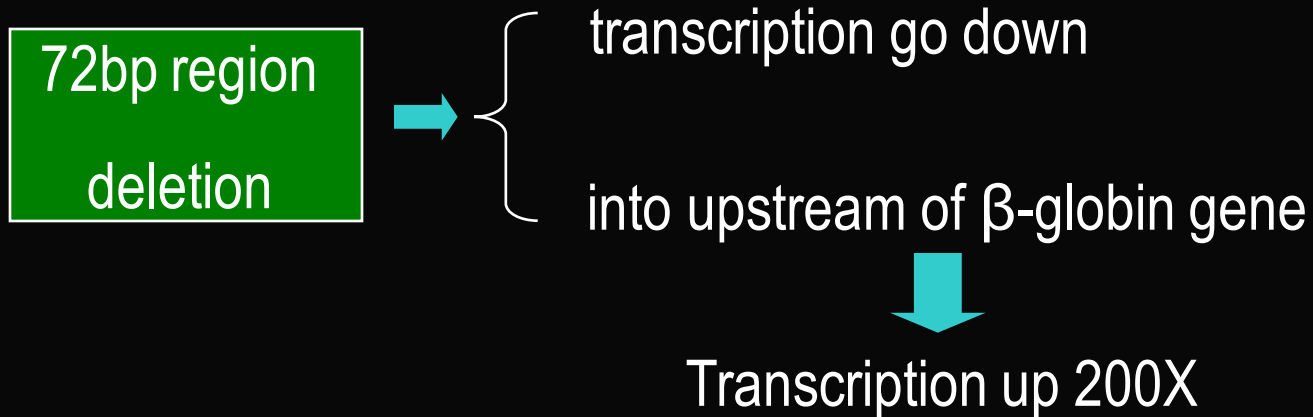
★ Enhancer与Promoter的比较

Enhancer	Promoter
Enhance expression	Basic expression
Position not be fixed	isolated region
Bi-directional element	Mono-directional element
No for special gene	only for special gene

SV40 早期基因转录单位 S (Chambon)



(Source: Molecular Biology (2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 274)



Behavior

- Cell & tissue specialty of Enhancer effect
- Distance effect (over 2 kb)
- Orientation-independent & position-independent
- Polarity effect

★ Enhancer 的结构与功能

- Enhancer 由两个以上的增强子成分(Enhancer Element)组成
- Enhancer Element 必需由两个紧密相连,具有间距效应的增强子元 (Enhanson) 组成
- 各个Enhanson(cis-factor)与激活蛋白(trans-factor)结合

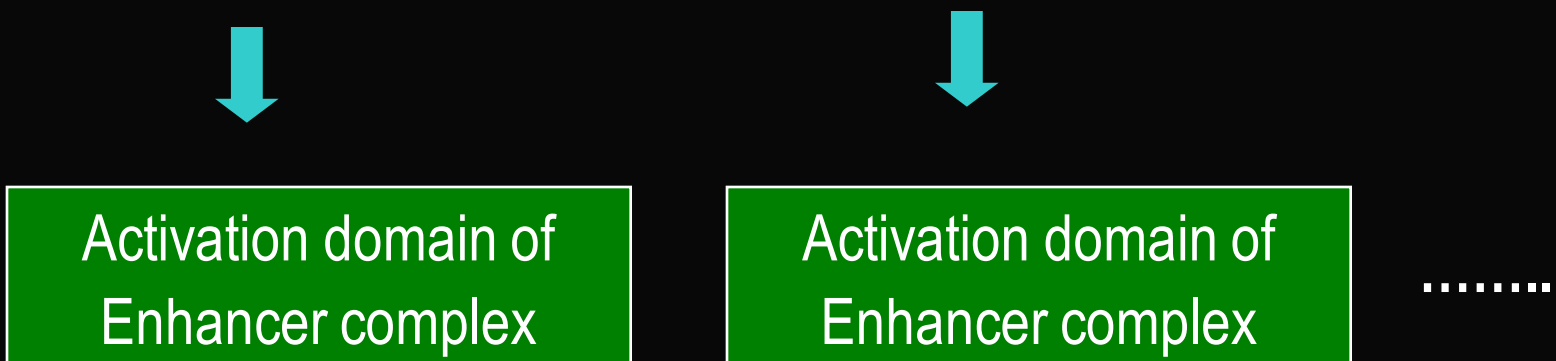
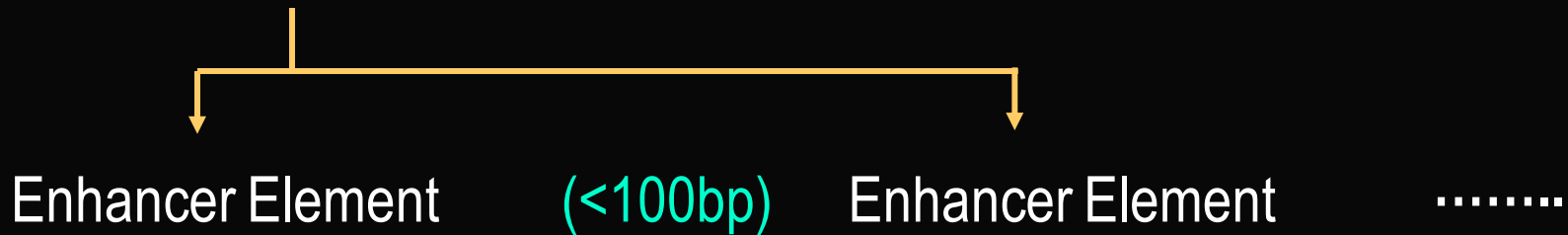


促进转录的复合体 + UPE + core promoter
基本转录复合体

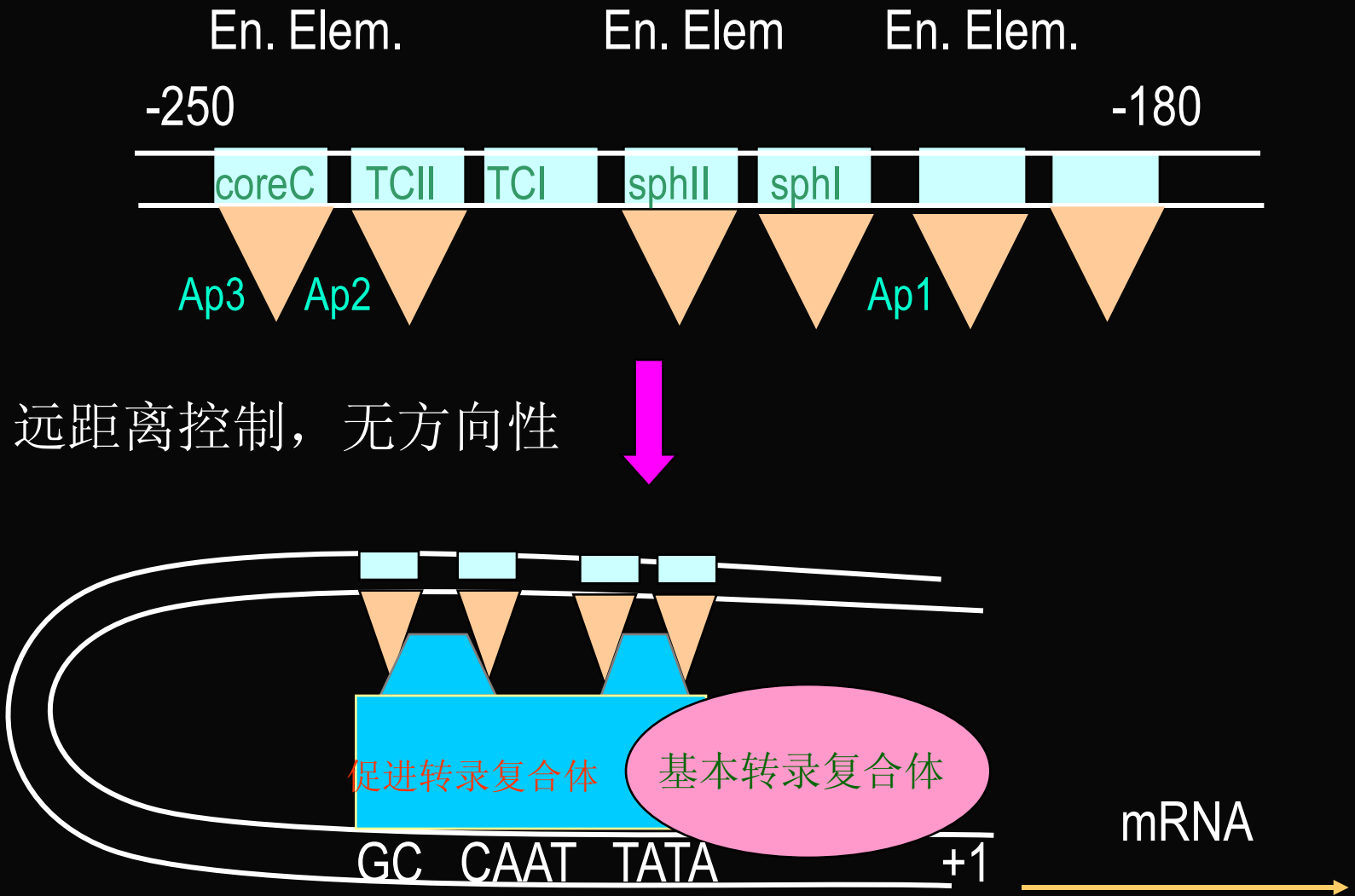
增强特异性转录

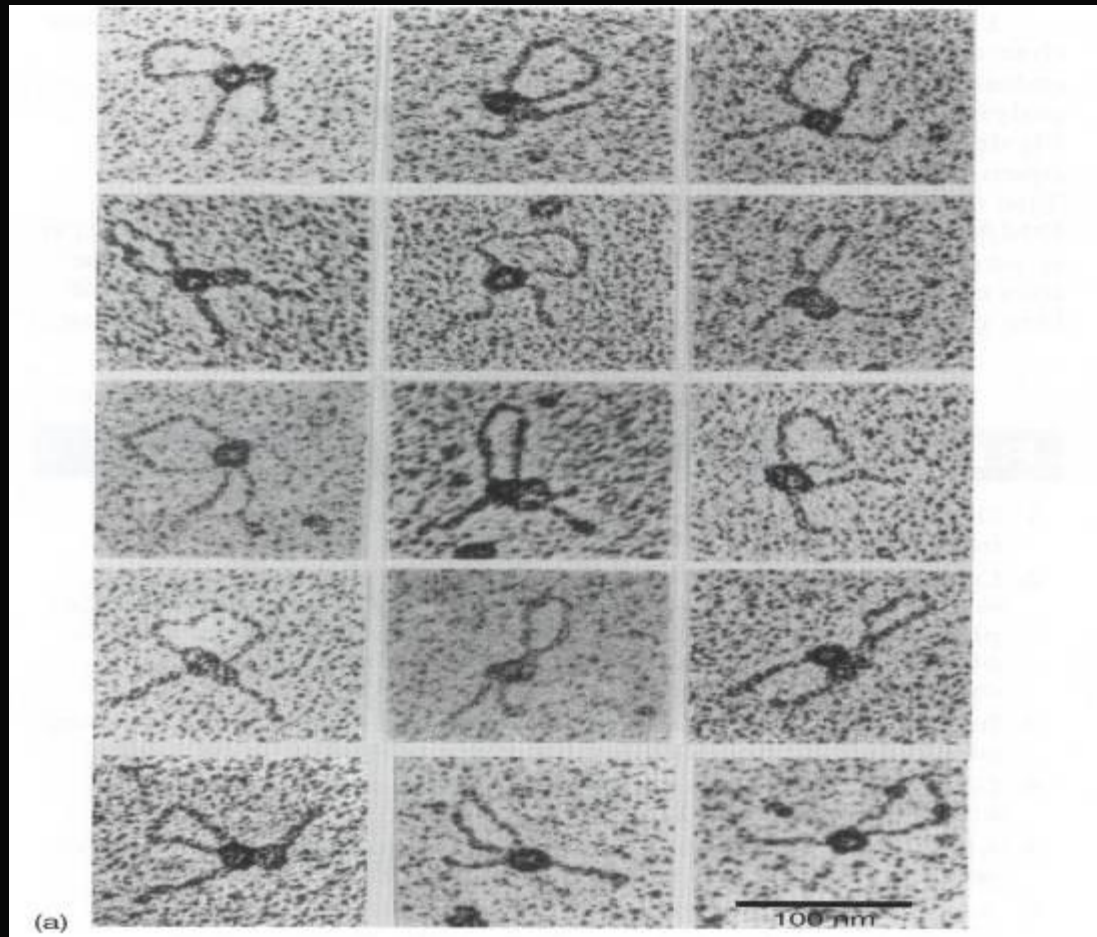


Enhancer



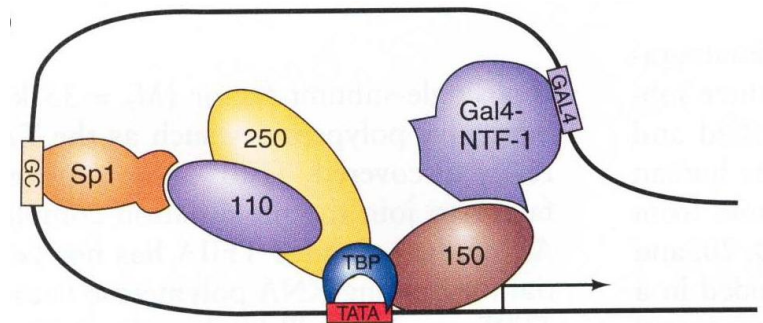
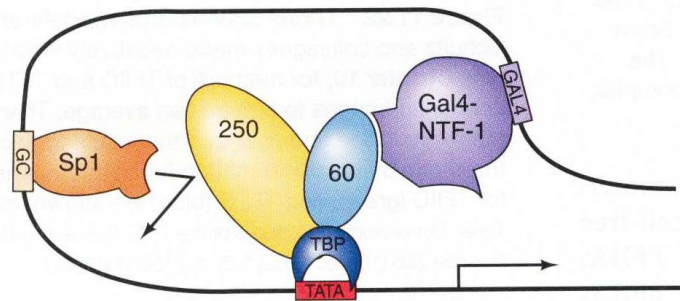
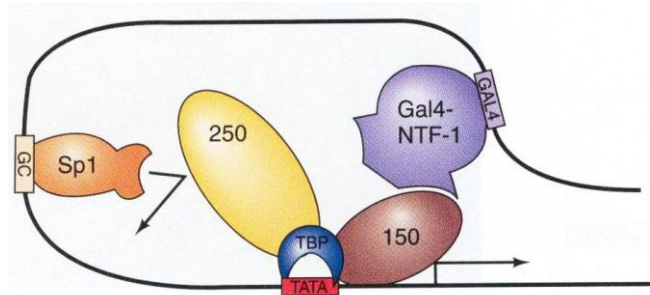
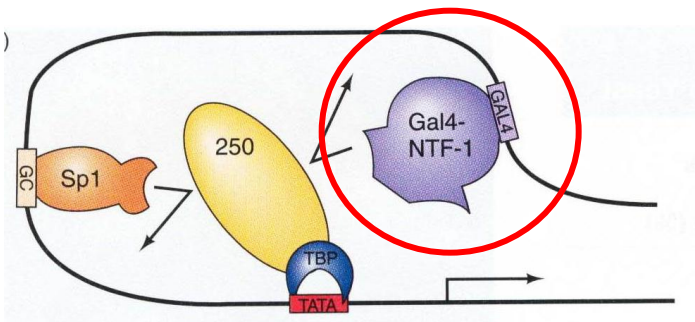
e.g. SV40 Enhancer (-179~ -250)



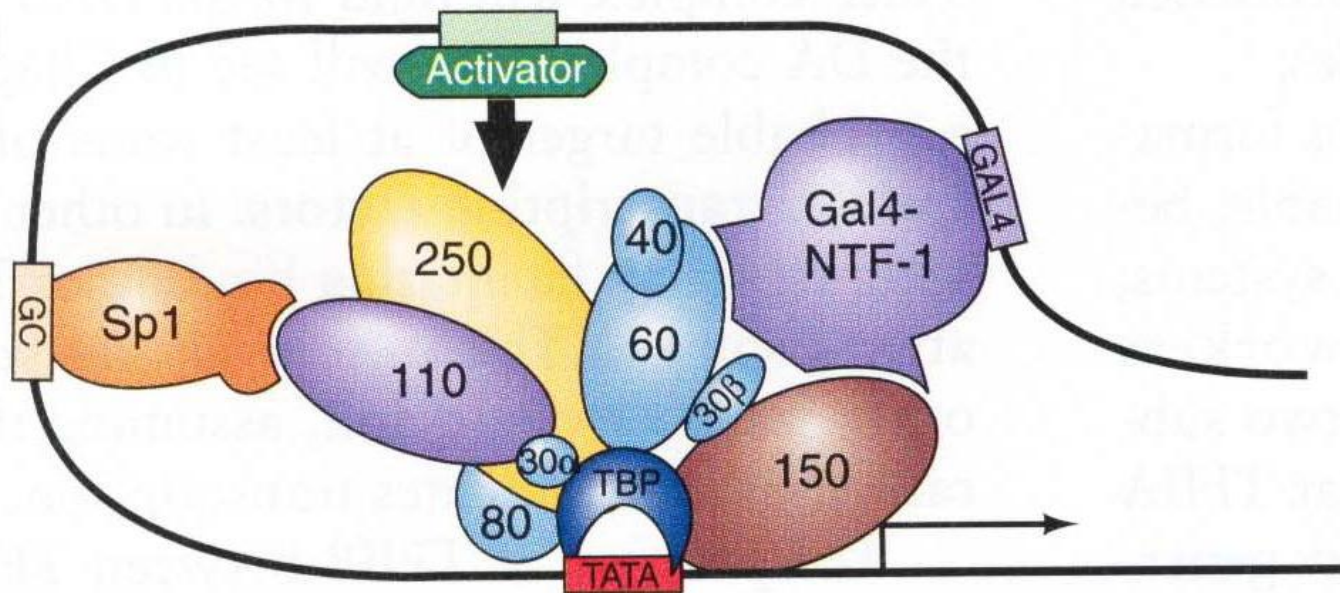


Looping of promoter-enhancer region

Source: Kustu, Echols 1990 PNAS 87 (July)



Source: Chen J.L, Assembly of recombinant TFIID reveals differential coactivator requirements for distinct transcriptional activators. Cell 79:101,1994



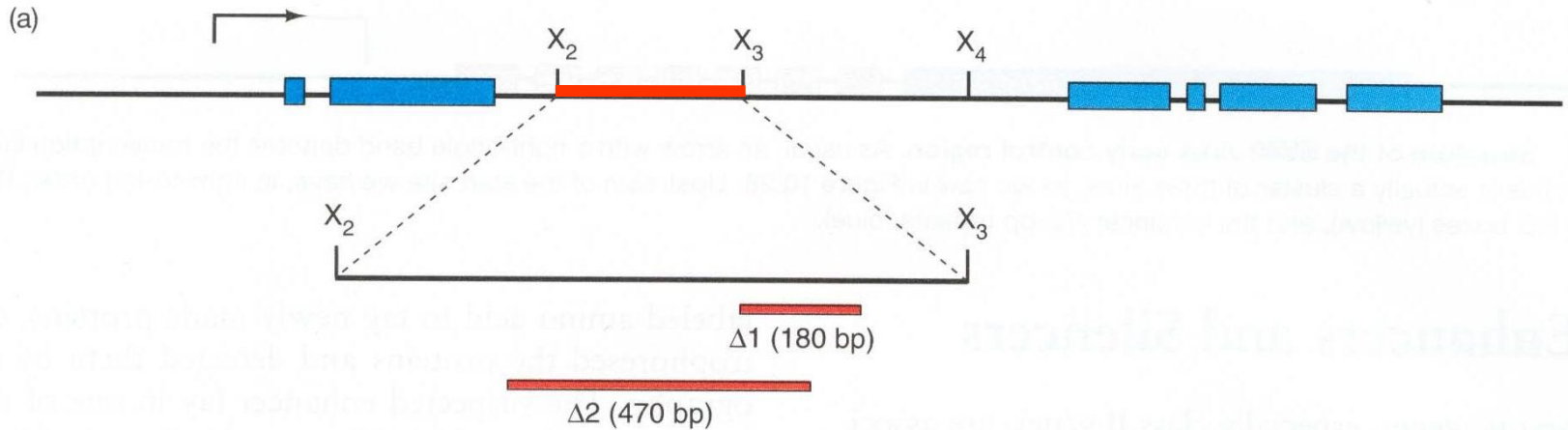
促进转录的复合体 + UPE + core promoter

增强特异性转录

---Enhancer complex与近启动子的transcriptional complex构型契合，而不与RNA polymerase 结合

--- 特化细胞内，具全部特异转录因子（trans-factor）才表现增强效应即**增强子的组织特异性**

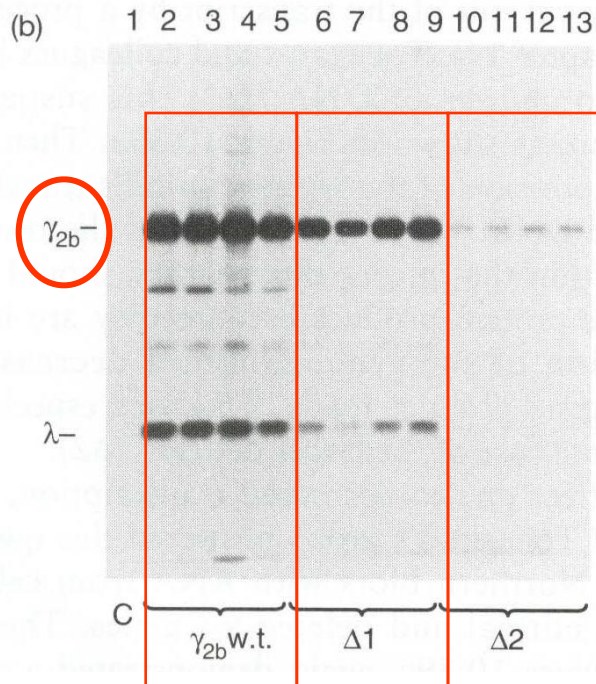
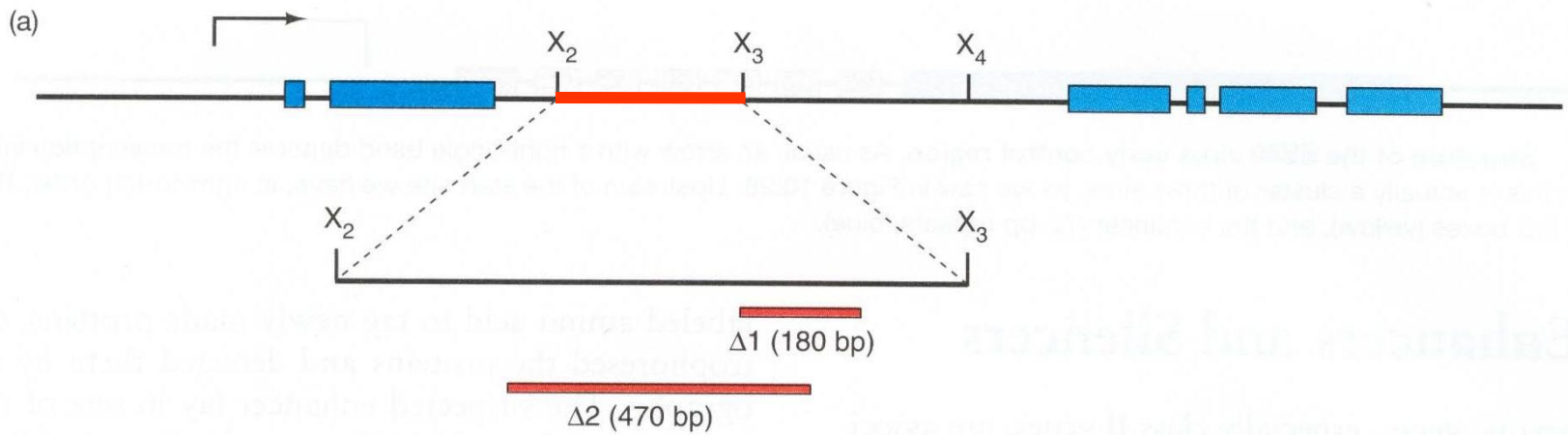
--- 增强子的复杂结构，以**正控制方式**防止基因表达的紊乱



1983 Susumu Tonegawa found
an enhancer within **X2-x3** of $\gamma 2b$ gene

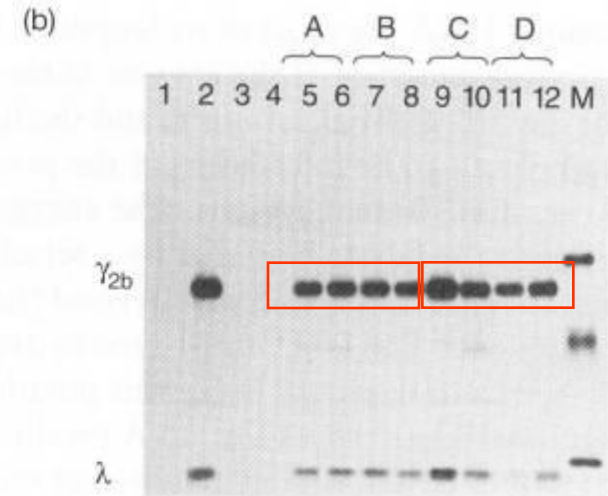
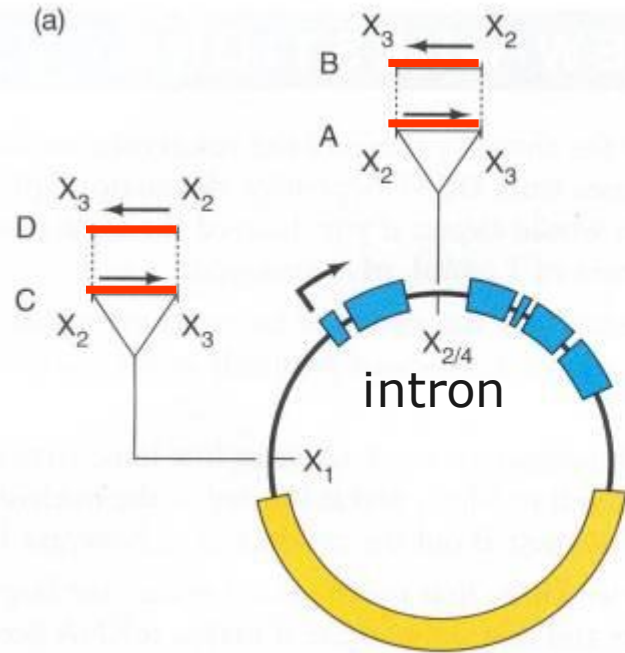
- $\gamma 2b$; a gene that encodes the larger subunit of a **particular mouse antibody**

Source: 1983 Cell 33 (July) p.
719



- results: The deletions within the intron should have no effect on the protein product because
- Why the $\Delta 1$ (180bp X_3), $\Delta 2$ (470bp X_2 - X_3) caused a decrease in the amount of gene product made ?

(Source: Molecular Biology(2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 276)



The enhancing element in the γ_{2b} gene is orientation- and position-independent.

Silencer

can act at a distance (at least 1 kb away)
to modulate transcription

somehow cause the chromatin to coil up
into a condensed

Inaccessible

Inactive form

thereby preventing transcription of
neighboring genes

Silencer

沉默子: 一种通过一段延伸的DNA区域影响染色质结构, 从而调节临近基因转录关闭的DNA元件

Ogourne S. and Antalis T.M. 1998. Transcriptional control and the role of silencers in transcriptional regulation in eukaryotes . *Biochem. J.* 331:1-14

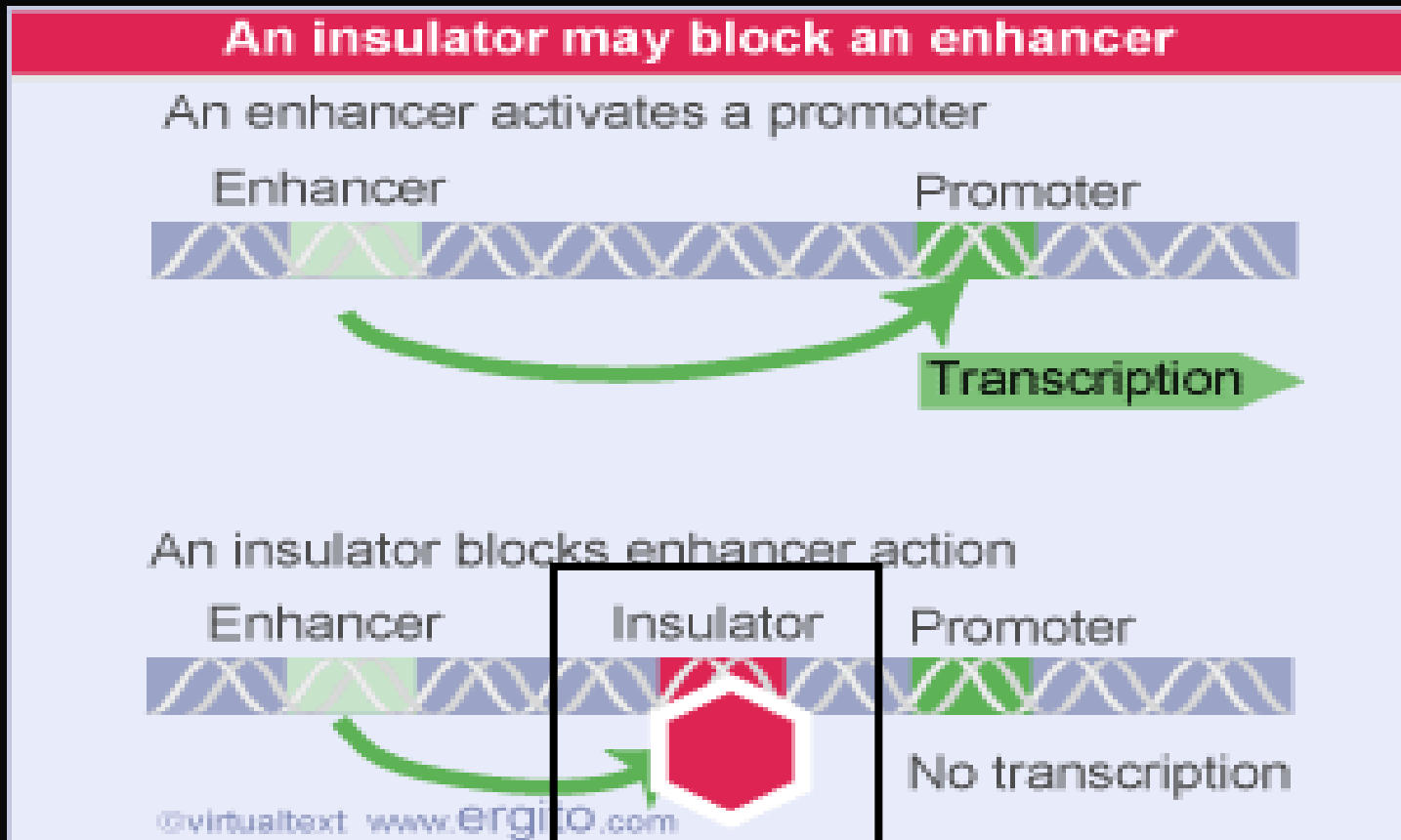
Insulator: (绝缘子)

Elements that prevent the passage of activating or inactivating effects

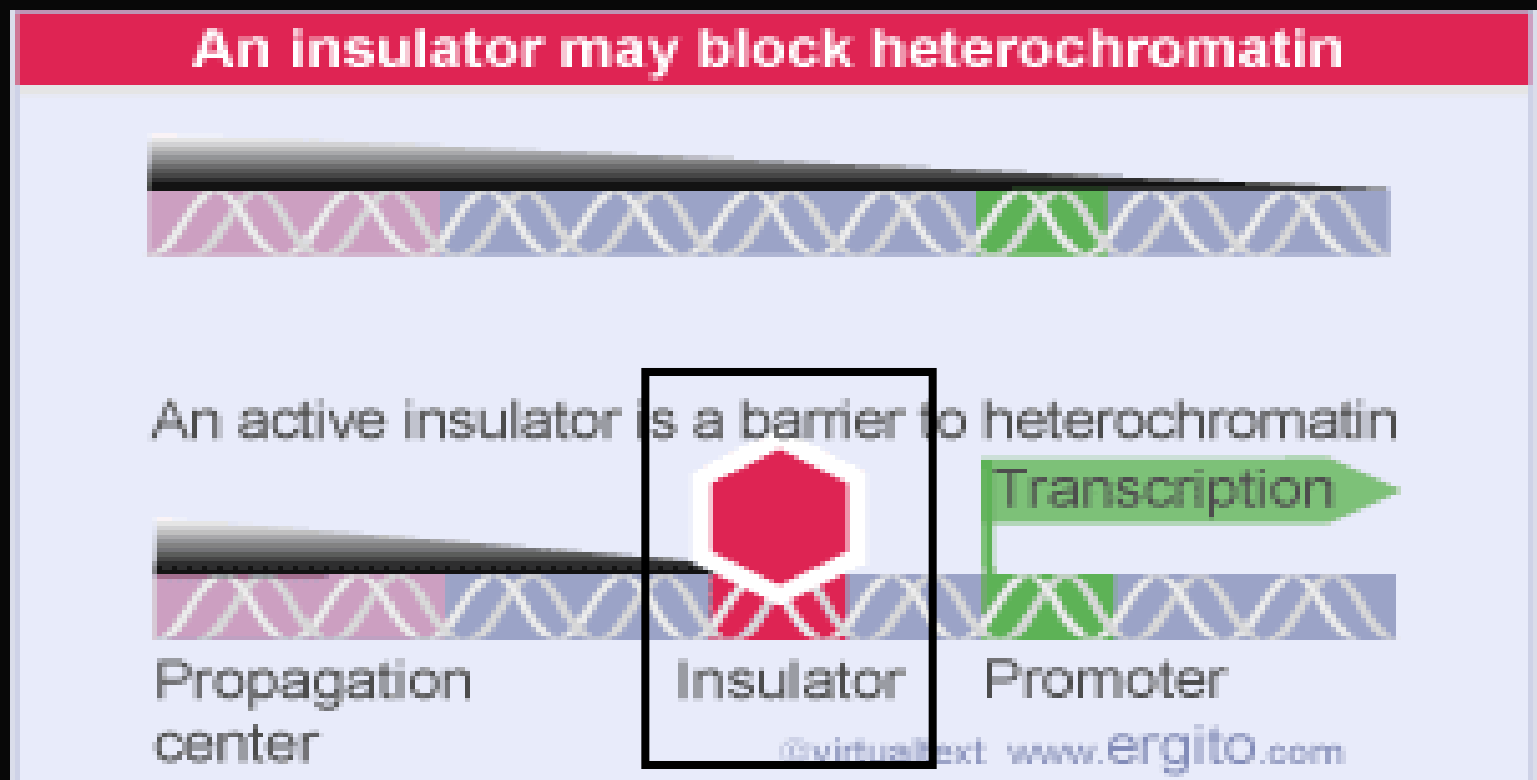
能够阻断激活或失活效应通过的元件

具有两种功能:

- When an insulator is placed btw enhancer & promoter , it prevents the enhancer from activating the promoter



- When an insulator is placed btw active gene & heterochromatin , it provides a barrier that protects the gene against the inactivating effect that spreads from the heterochromatin



4.2.3. 与基本转录相关的T.F.

General transcription factors

真核生物中RNAPol的作用必须有其他相关转录蛋白在启动子处的先期结合才能启动转录

Eukaryotic RNA polymerases are **incapable of binding by themselves** to their respective promoters.

Instead, they rely on proteins called **transcription factors** to show them the way. Such factors are grouped into

Two classes:

general transcription factors

gene-specific transcription factors.

Two classes:

general transcription factors (GTF)

gene-specific transcription factors (STF)

- The general transcription factors

GTF can attract the RNA polymerases to their respective promoters, but only to a weak extent. Therefore, these factors can stimulate only a basal level of transcription.

**H³-T7 DNA + Holo
E/Core E**

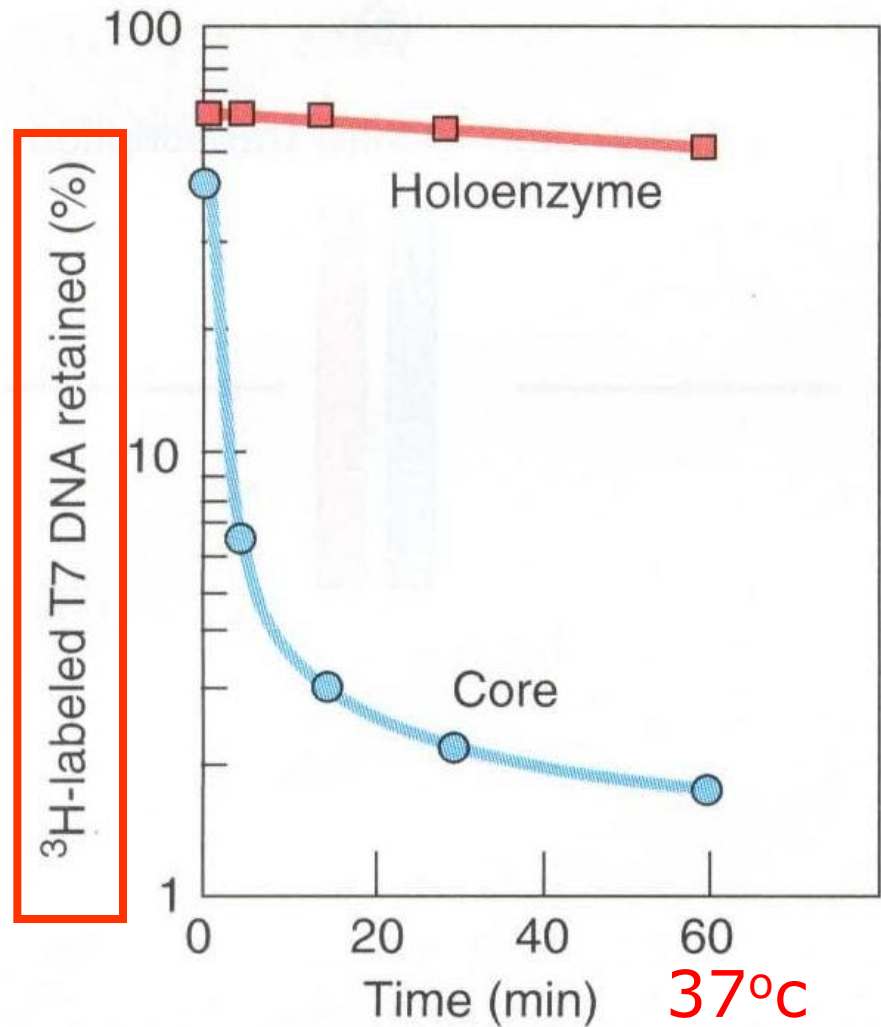


**Sigma
stimulates tight
binding between
RNA polymerase
and promoter**



**Monitor H³-T7 DNA/E
retained**

Sigma stimulates tight binding between
RNA polymerase and promoter



Source: D.C. and Chamberlin, M.J., Journal of Molecular Biology, Vol. 70, 157-86, 1972

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4.2.3.1 General T.F. for basic transcription

- TF (I, II, III) Transcriptional Factor
- TBP (TATA box Binding Protein)
- TAF (TBP Associate Factor)
- RAP (RNApol. Associate protein)

+ Cis-factor



TIC (Transcriptional Initiate Complex)

4.2.3.2. RNA polymerase in Eukaryotes

RNApol. I, II, III

—————> Including L, L' subunit & 7-12 small subunits

L' with 78% \pm homologous

between 3 RNApol. I, II, III

L' \sim β' of prokaryote RNApol. & L \sim β

(功能相似)

进
化
渊
源

RNApol II (B);

---For pre-mRNA transcription

---Located in nucleoplasm

---L' maximum subunit 240 kd & have specific COOH-end
named CTD

(Carboxyl Terminal Domain) only in RNApol II

---CTD-end;

7aa repeats & high frequency phosphorylation



Yeast 26X

Drosophila 44X

Rat & Human 52X

} repeat unit of 7 aa / in CTD

---依CTD中，Ser,Thr 磷酸化与否，将I' 分为3个Subforms



---RNAPol II + >20TFIIs

逐级组装

TIC → 转录启动

(Transcriptional Initiation Complex)

TFIID; A sort of protein complex (TBP & > 8 TAF)

(TBP); needed for RNAPol I, II, III

Very high conserved **C-end domain of 180 aa**

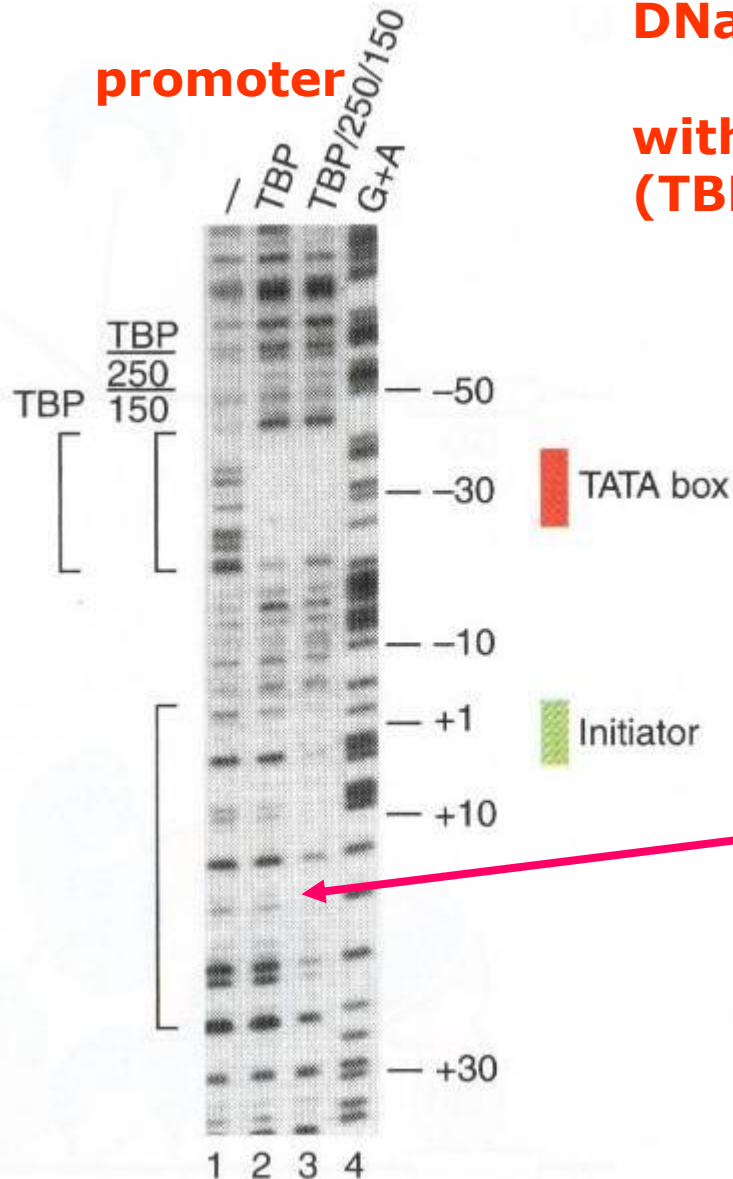
Binds with DNA in **minor groove & wilds it**

Determination **initiation starting site**

Control UPE effect for basic transcription

DNase I footprinting the hsp70

with TBP and the ternary complex
(TBP, TAFII250, and TAFII150)

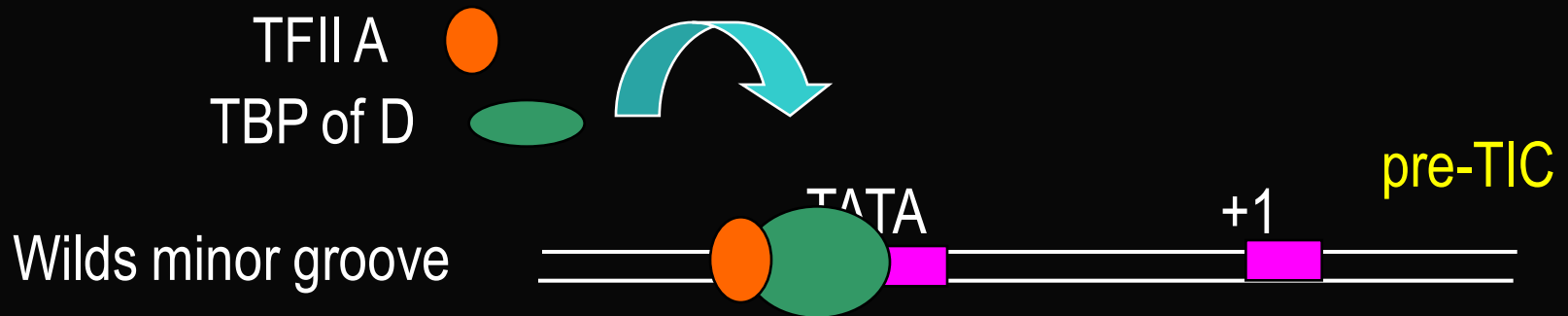


- 1, no protein
- 2, TBP
- 3, ternary complex
- 4, marker.

In both lanes 2 and 3,
TFIIA was also added to
stabilize the DNA-protein
complexes, but
separate experiments
indicated that it did not affect
the extent of the footprints

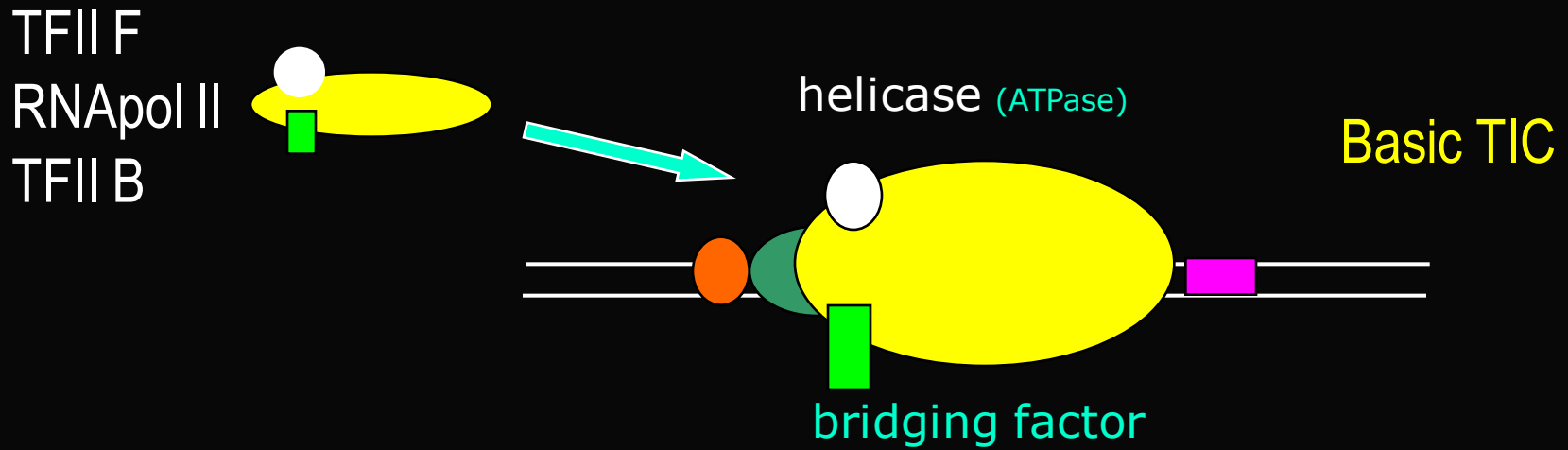
(source: Verrijzer et al Cell 81 (30 June 1995) p. 1117)

TFIIA; Binds to TFII D
Enhances TFII D binding to TATA box
Stabilizing the DNA-TFII D complex

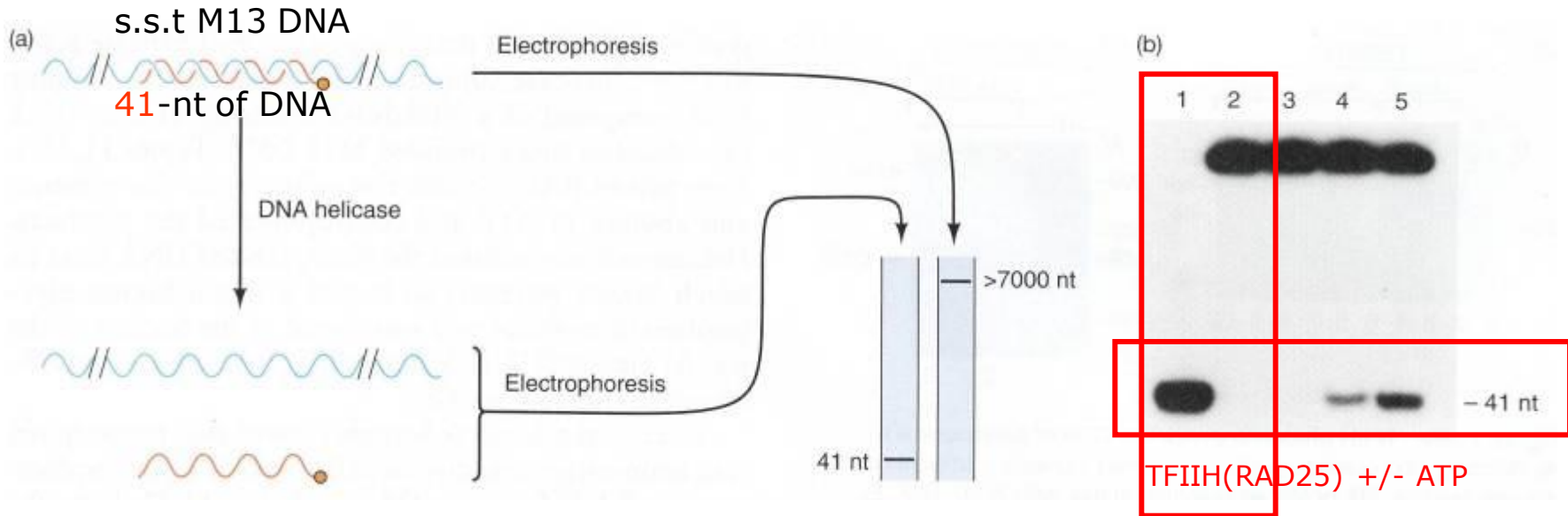


TFIIB; Once TFIID has bound to DNA
TFIIB binds to TBP of TFIID and RNA pol. II
TFIIB as a bridging factor allowing recruitment
of RNAPol II to TIC together with RAP30 of TFIIF

TFIIF; Including two subunits of RAP30, RAP74
Binding and recruiting RNAPol II to assemble TIC
Promoting RNA elongation by its helicase (ATPase)



TFIIH; Large complex made up of > 5 subunits
Helicase activity (ATPase, RAD25...) & kinase
activity Phosphorylation of CTD of RNAPol II_o
DNA repair



Helicase activity of TFIIH.

(a) The helicase assay. The substrate consisted of a labeled 41-nt piece of DNA hybridized to its complementary region in a much larger, unlabeled, single-stranded M13 phage DNA . DNA helicase unwinds this short helix and releases the labeled 41 -nt DNA

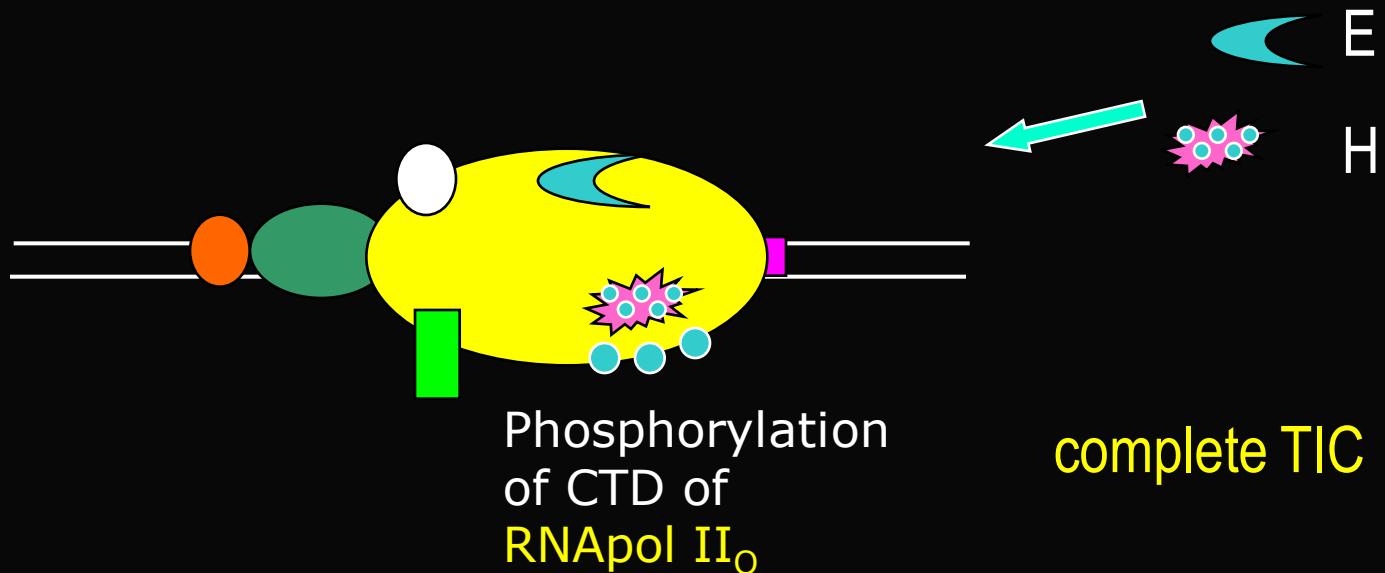
(b) Results of the helicase assay. (1), heat-denatured substrate; (2), no protein; (3), 20 ng of RAD25 with no ATP; (4), 10 ng of RAD25 plus ATP;(5), 20 ng of RAD25 plus ATP.

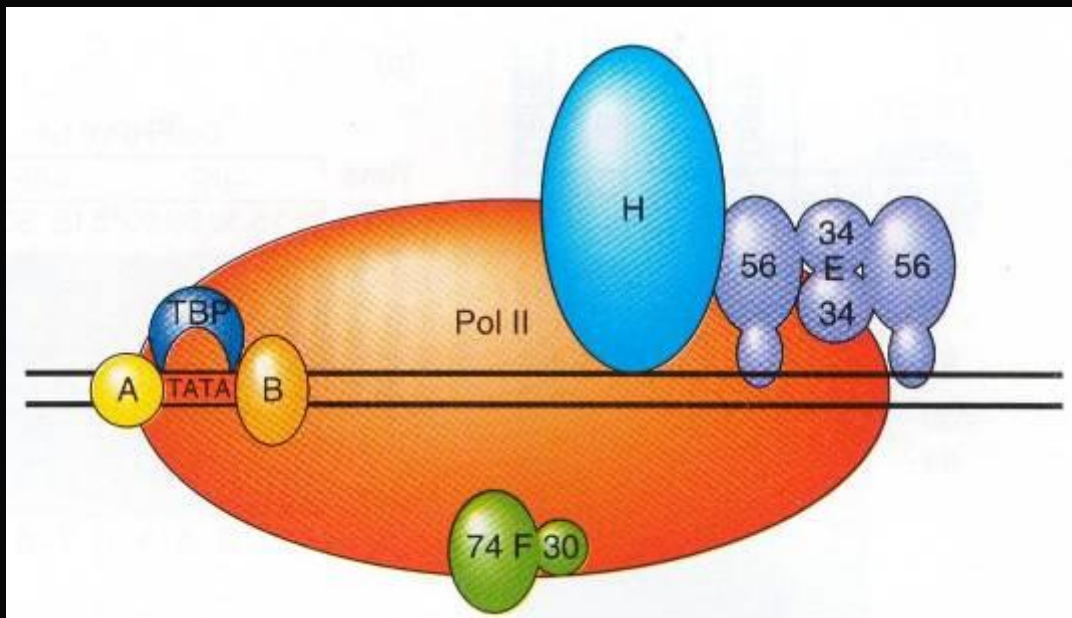
TFIIH(RAD25)

(Source:Gudzer et al. Nature 369 (16 June 1994) p. 579, f. 2c.)

TFIIH; Large complex made up of > 5 subunits
Helicase activity (**ATPase, RAD25...**) & kinase activity
Phosphorylation of CTD of **RNAPol II_o**
DNA repair

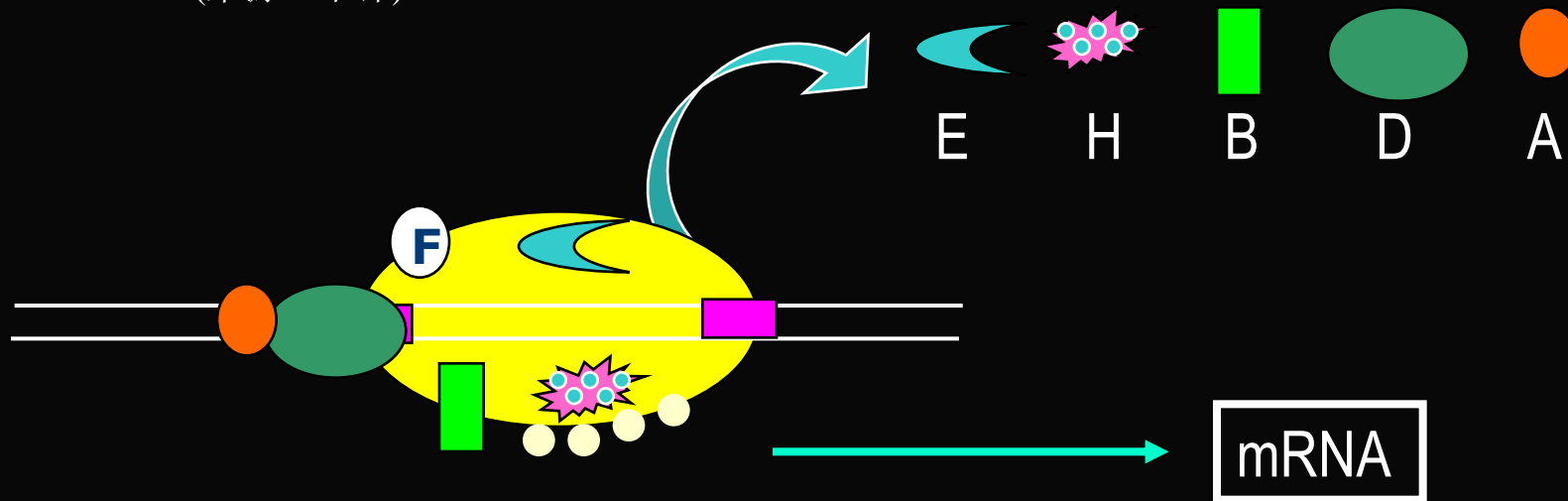
TFIIE; Associate with TFIIH kinase





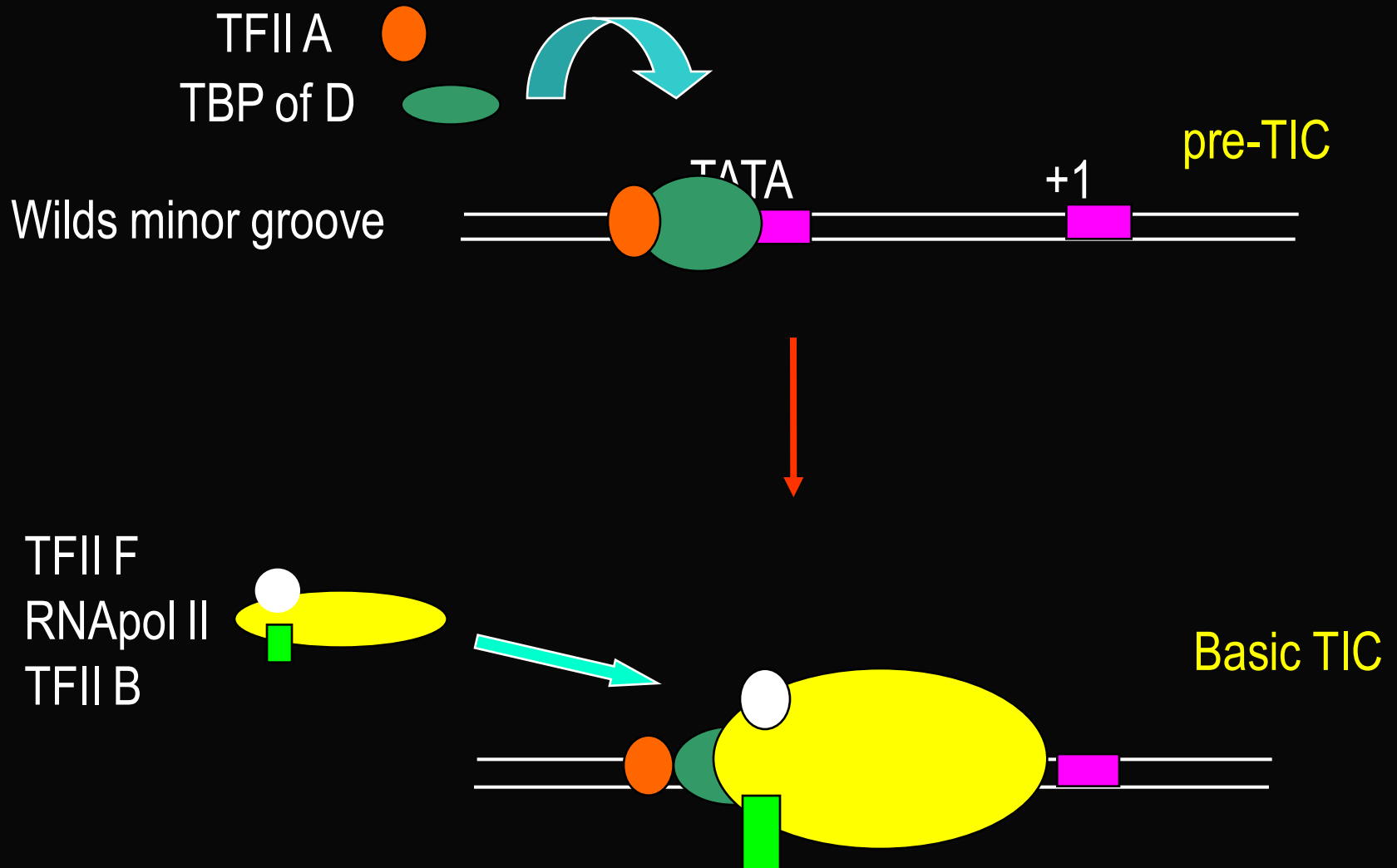
Promoter clearance

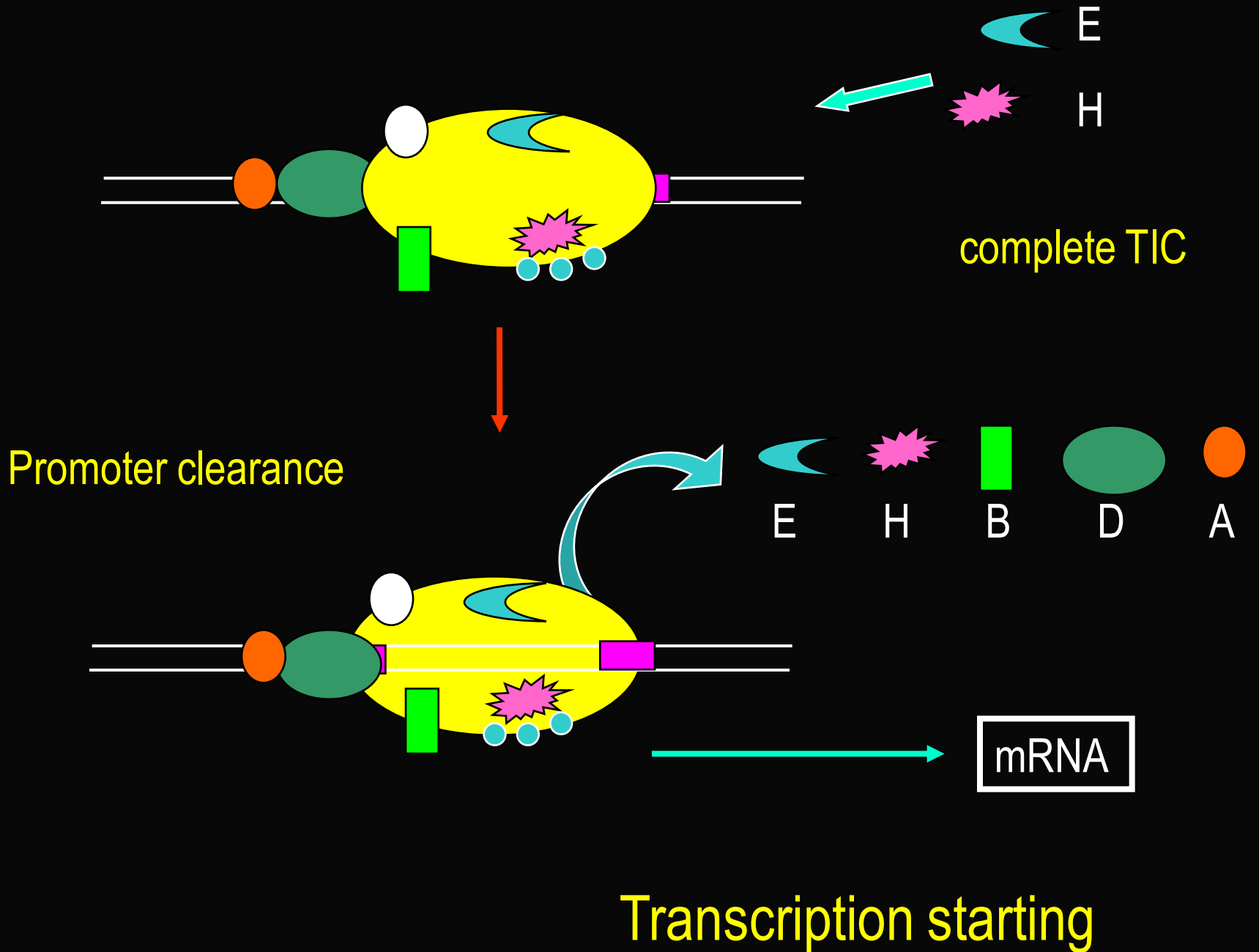
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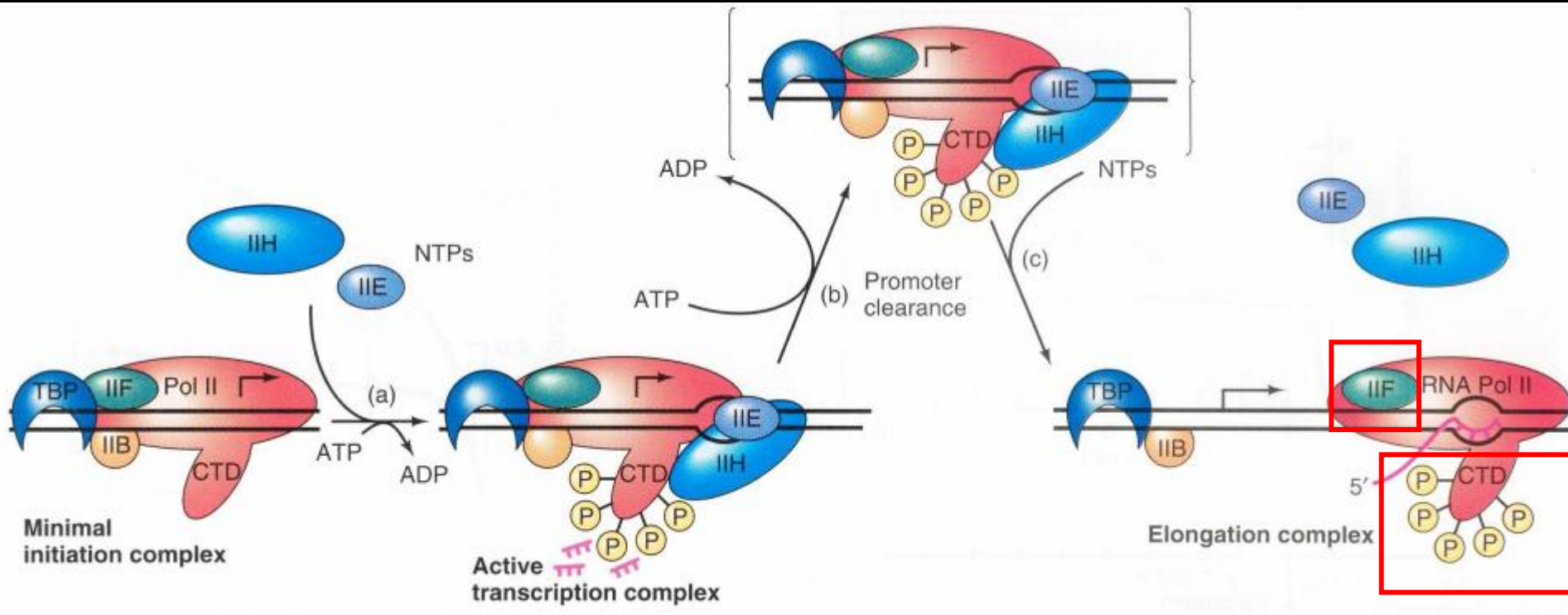


Transcription starting

conclusion







GTF + TATA box → basal level transcription

Source: J.A. and T. Tjian. 1994. Transcription factors IIE and IIH and ATP hydrolysis direct promoter clearance by RNA polymerase II. *Cell* 77:145-56.

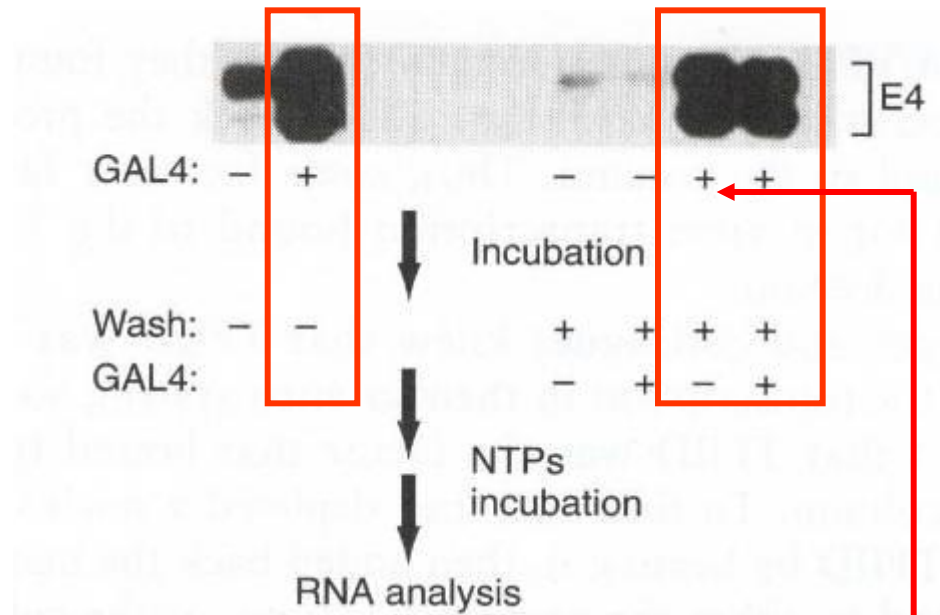
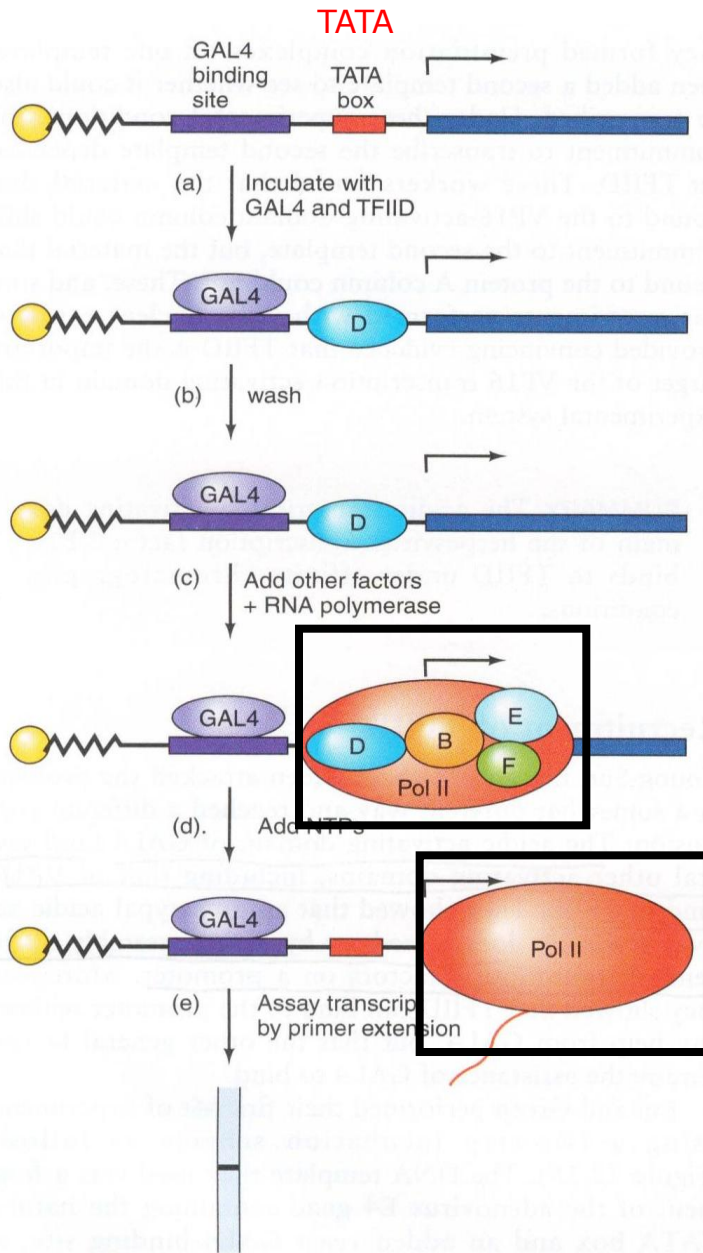
The general T.F. are capable of sponsoring only a basal level transcription.

To provide the needed extra boost in transcription, eukaryotic cells have additional, gene-specific transcription factors (activators e.g GAL4).

4.2.3.3. transcription activator

(activator, STF)

for gene- specific inducible transcription



GAL4 stimulates
preinitiation complex
formation

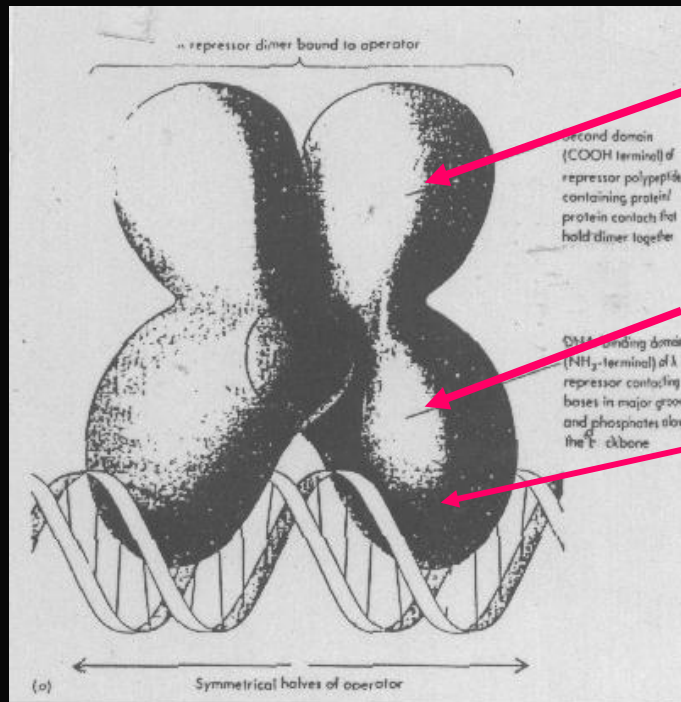
a) character of activator

- 多为变构蛋白，具有2或4个独立的功能结构域（domain）

DNA-binding domain

Transcription regulation domain

activation (or repression) domain



Dimerization Domain (in some dimer factor)

DNA-Binding Domain

Transcription Activation Domain

Nuclear location signal, NLS short peptide rich basic aa Arg, Lys (or/and N Export Signal, NES)

(来源: 不详)

Both types of NLS are basic



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(来源: 不详)

dimerization domain of activator

(in some transcription factor of dimer / tetramer factor)

Homodimers

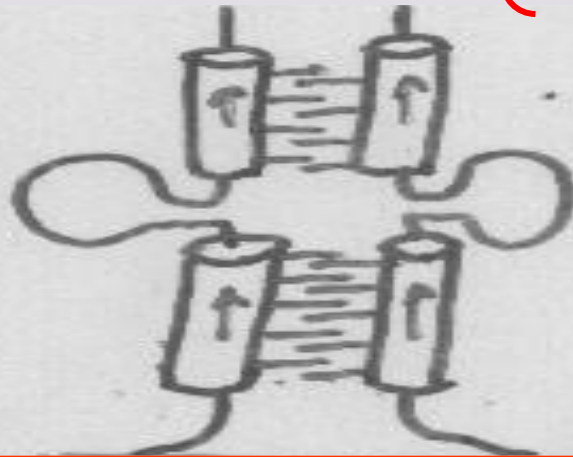
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Heterodimers

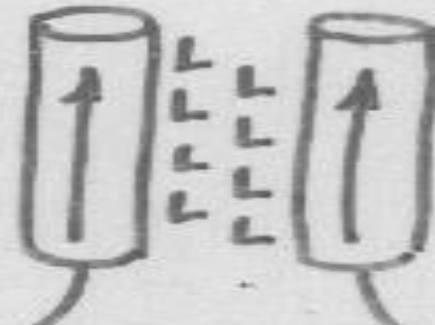
held together by dimerization domains

Including Leu zipper

or Helix-loop-Helix



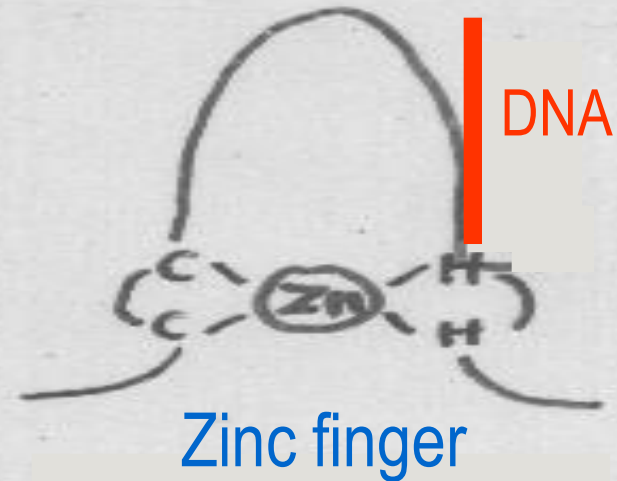
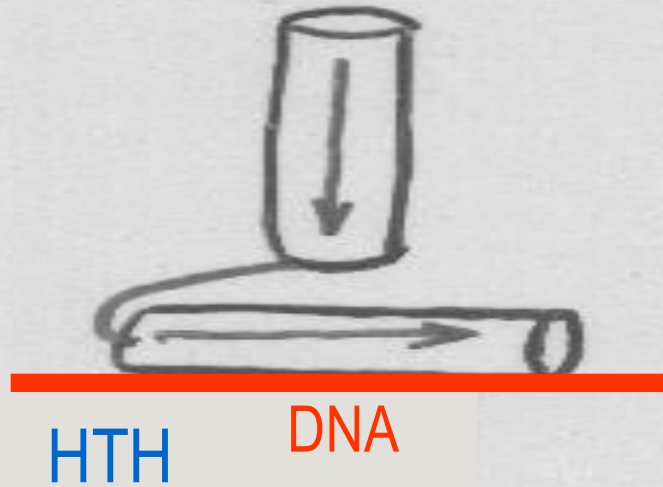
DNA



DNA

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DNA binding domain of activator

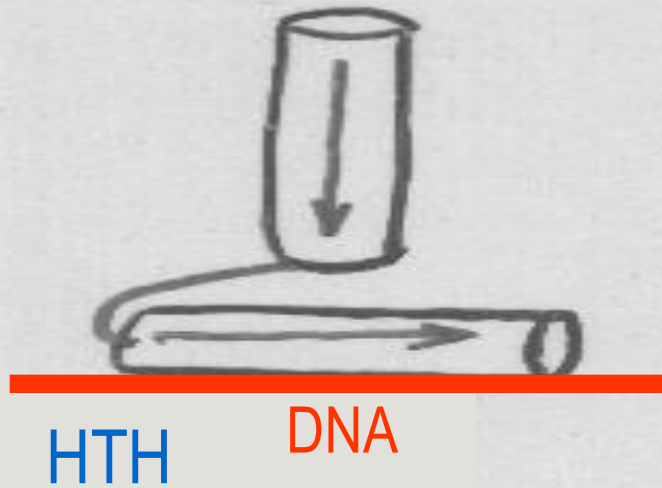


consist of Helix-turn-Helix and encoded by

the **homeobox** of 60 aa in large activator family

consist of **Zinc finger (basic ZIP bZIP)**

or **basic domain of Helix-loop-Helix (bHLH)**



MYB, MADS, WRKY,

AP2/EREBP (APETALA2 / Ethylene — responsive element binding protein) ,

NAC (NAM, ATAF, CUC2)

ARF (Anaerobic Response Factor)

DNA binding domain

成为转录因子分类的重要标志

- **Transcription activation domain**

(most activator have one or more than one of these domain)

Group 1: acidic domain

Yeast GAL4 typifies this group ,
49 aa domain with 11 acidic aa

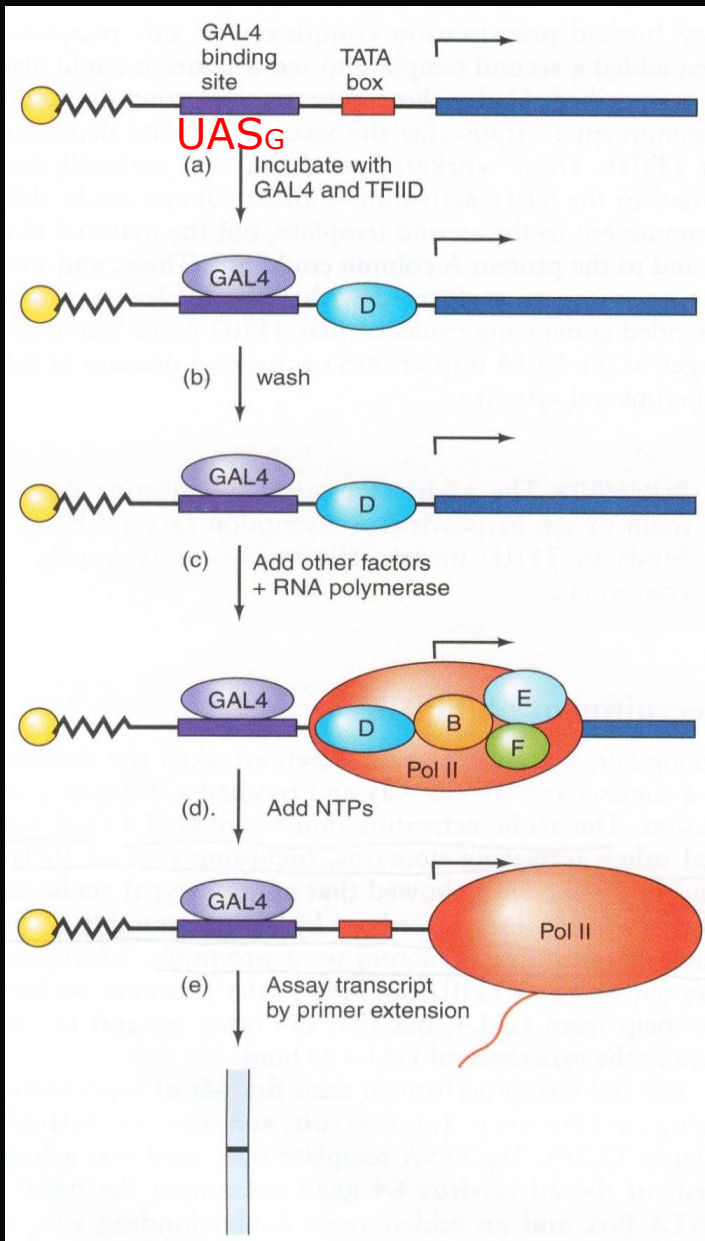
Group 2: Glutamine-rich domain

Sp1 have two this domain,
25% Gln, 39 Gln in a span of 143 aa

Group 3: Proline-rich domain

CTF has a domain of **84 aa**,
19 of which are Pro

Independence of
DNA-binding domain
and
transcription-activation
domain



GAL4 protein :

a yeast activator

- a set of genes responsible for metabolism of galactose
- each of GAL4-responsive genes contains a **GAL4 target site** upstream of transcription start site, called **upstream activating sequence (UAS_G)**
- binding to UAS as Dimer DNA-binding motif is similar to Zinc finger

Roger Brent & Mark Ptashne

chimeric factor

with **DNA-binding domain**

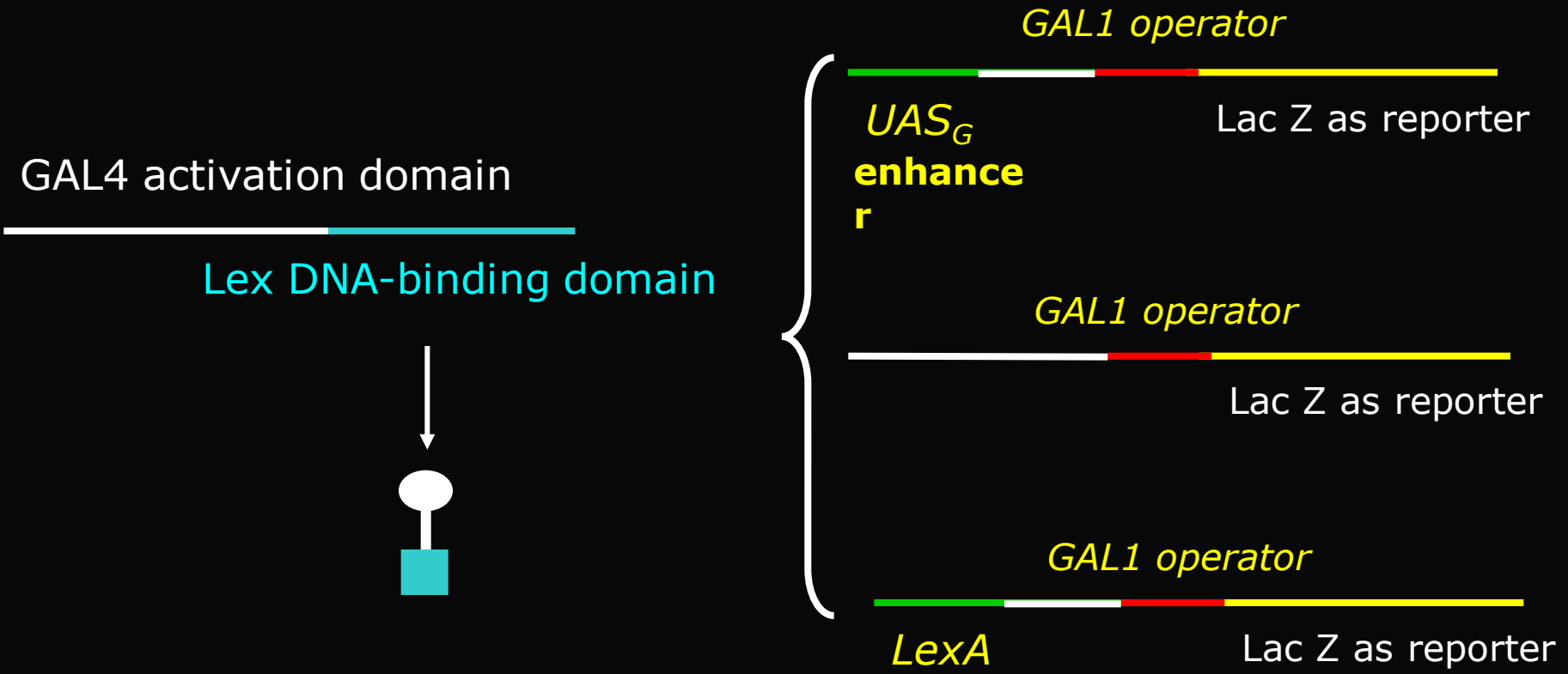
from LexA repressor (*E.coli*)

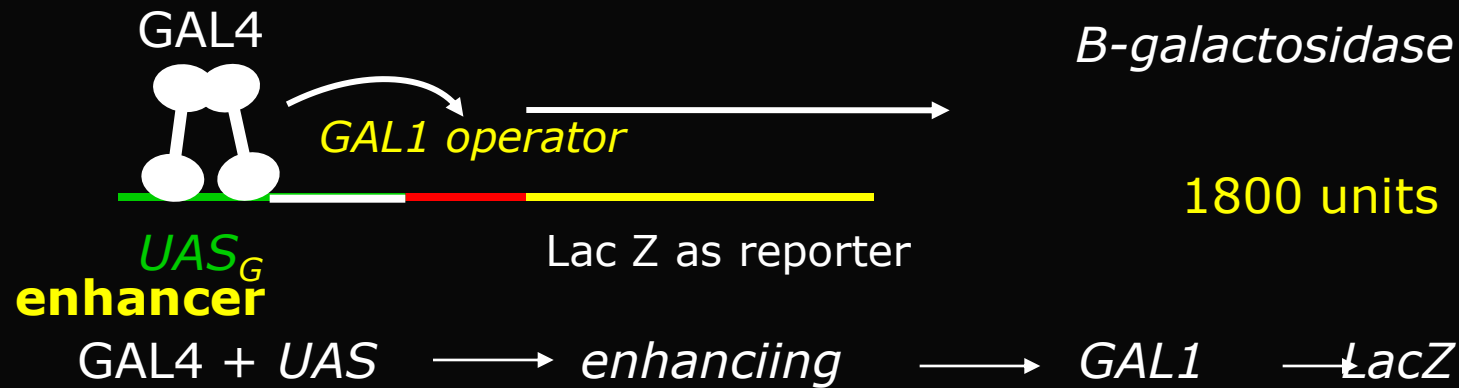
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Transcription-activation domain

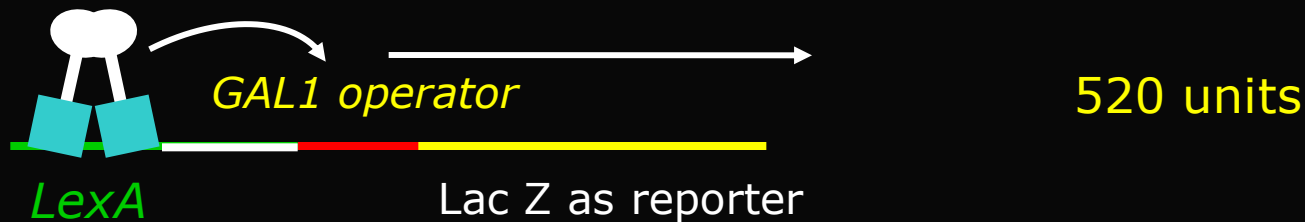
from GAL4 protein

Constructed three set of test recombination Plasmids into yeast(双因子杂交系统)





GAL4-LexA



LexA + LexA op. → GAL4 activation → GAL1 → LacZ expressing

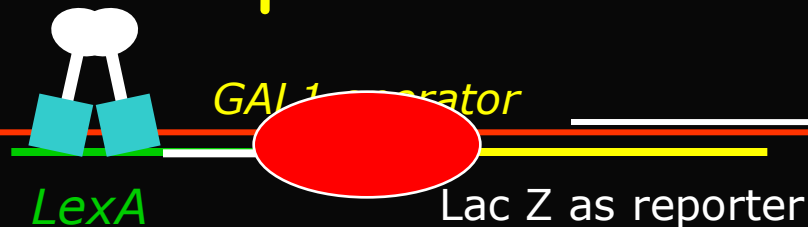
Transcription-activating and DNA-binding domain of GAL4

can operate quite independently

Function of activation domain

recruitment the RNA polymerase

to promoter



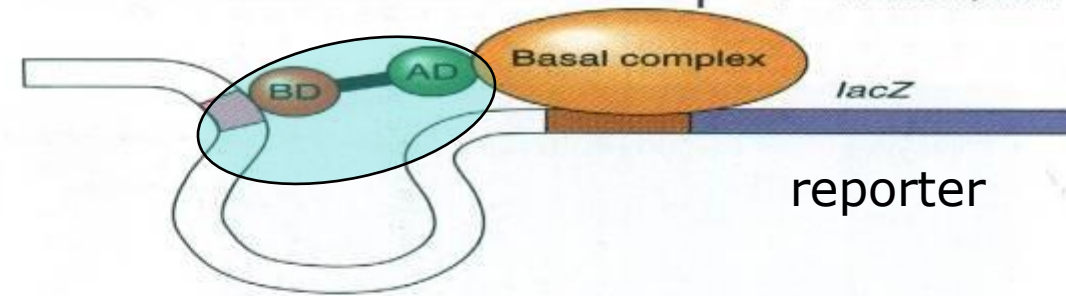
Yeast two-hybrid assay

Transcription factor

Xp interaction with Yp

Screen Zp interaction with Dp

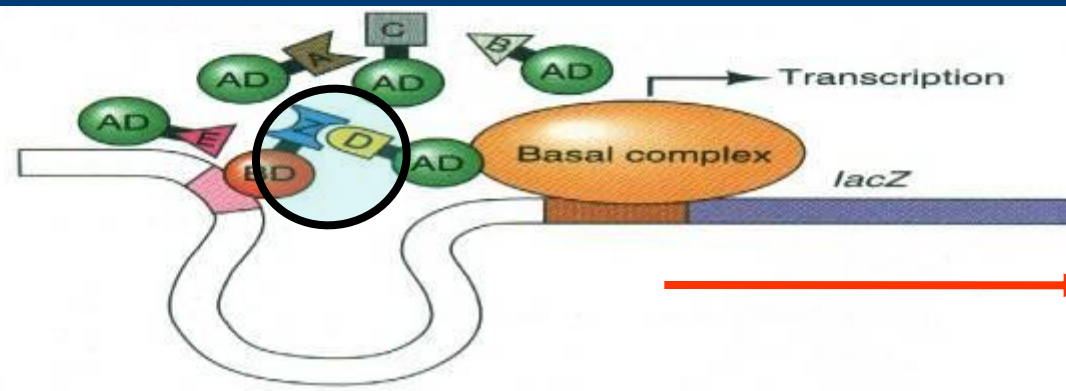
(a) Standard activation

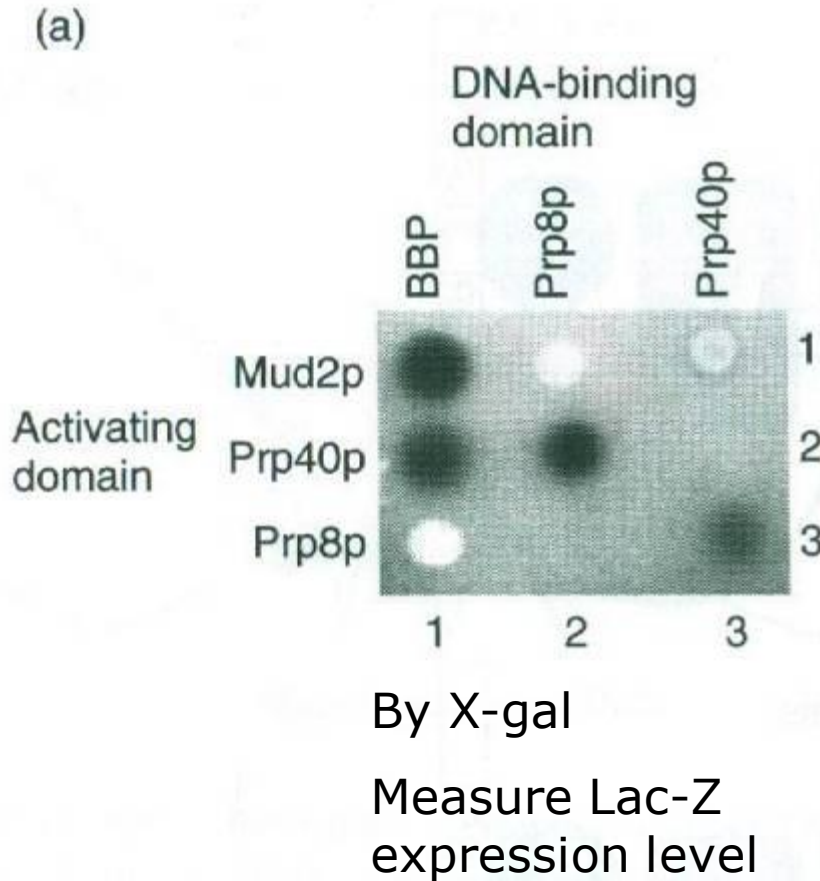


(b) Two-hybrid activation



将研究的cDNA与AD，BD分别构建两个表达载体转化酵母测验体系（商业化产品）





BBP + Mud2p

BBP + Prp40p

Prp8p + Prp40p

(Source: **Abovich and Rosbash** Cross-intron bridging interactions in the yeast commitment complex are conserved in mammals)

Cell 89(2 may) 1997)

b) 种类与结构特点

activator 的活性调节

受到严格的信号因子的调控

一般状态

(无活性)



活化状态



激活转录

binding DNA



经过化学或物理修饰

转录因子的结构特点

DNA-binding domain

- Helix(α)-turn-Helix(α) (HTH)
- Cys/Cys, Cys/His Zinc finger

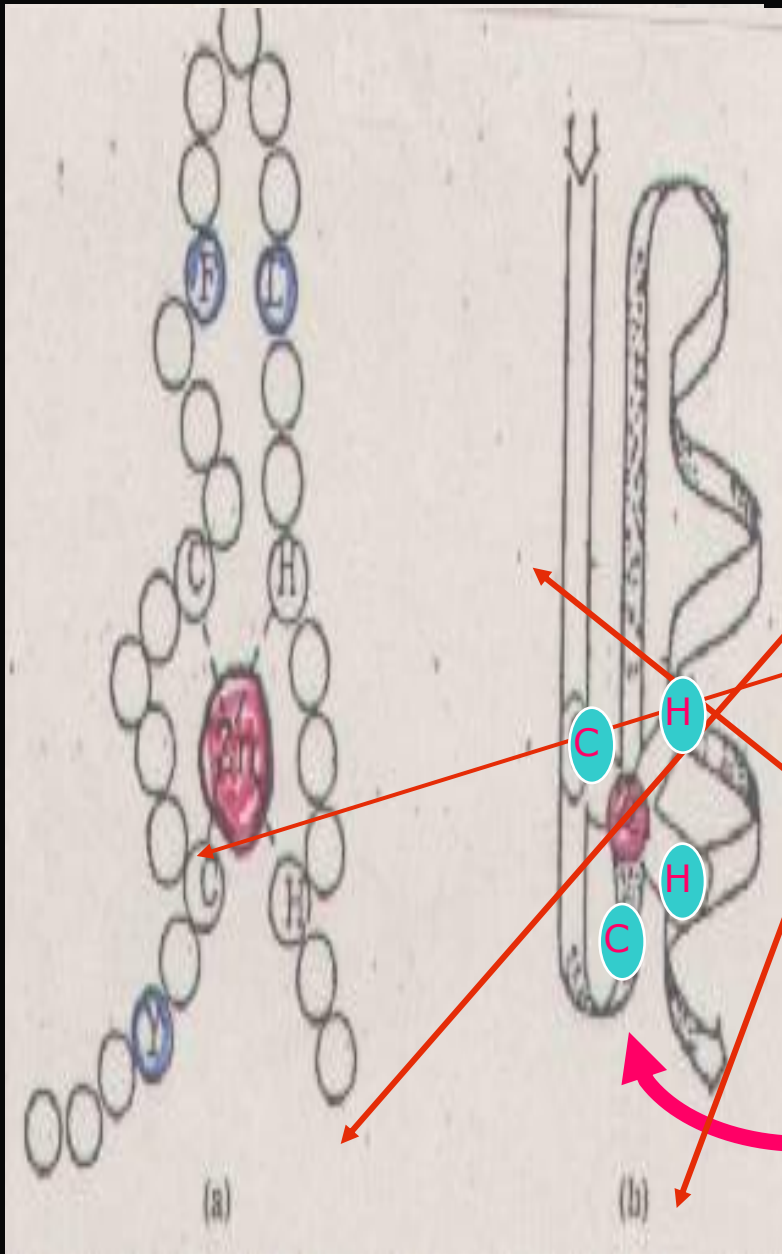
dimerization domain

- Helix—loop—Helix (HLH or bHLH)
- Leu zipper (bZIP)

Activation domain

- Acidic domain, Gln-rich domain, Pro-rich domain

Zinc finger



Peptide chain

9 direct repeats 30aa / copy

30 aa / copy → one finger

2Cys / 2His or 2Cys / 2Cys types

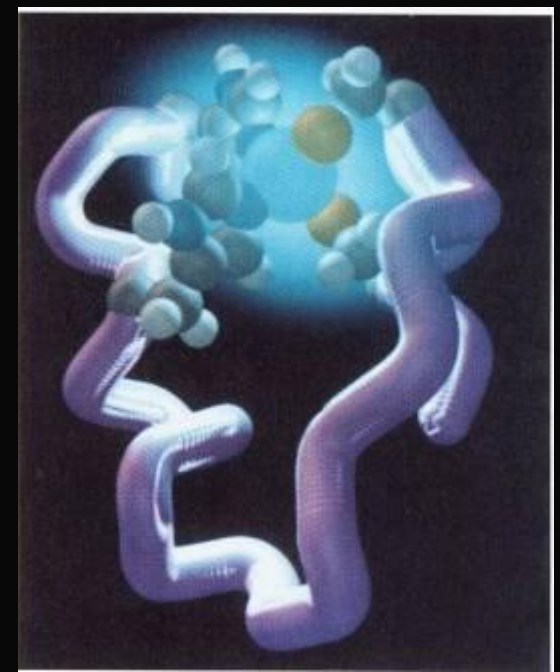
Phe(F) Leu(L) Tyr(Y)

→ core of hydrophobic aa

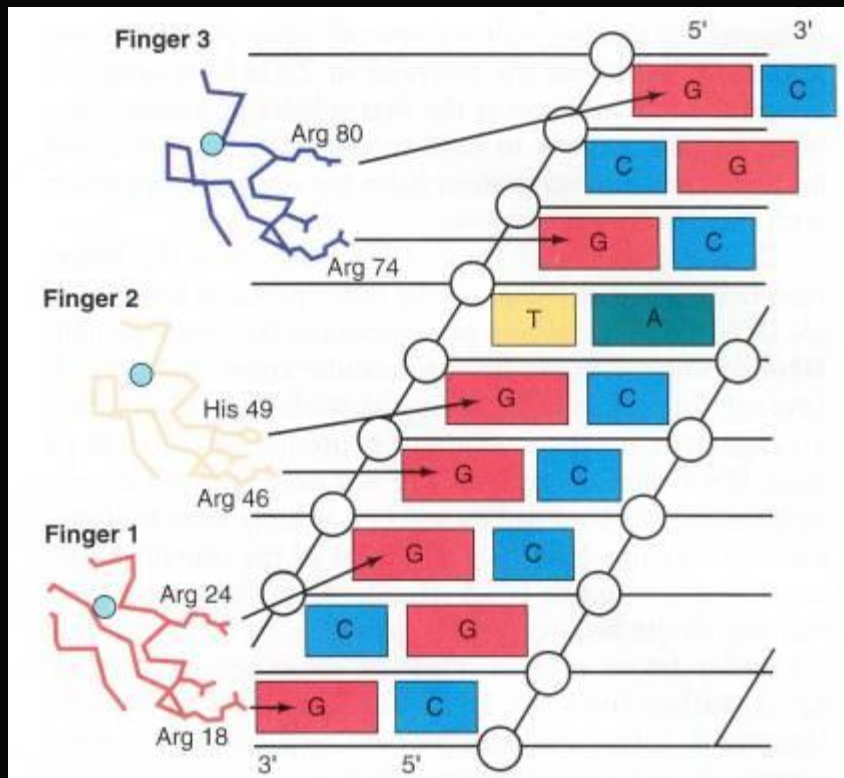
2Cys (2C) ~ Zn ~ 2His (2C)
to form finger of 1 α -helix & 1- β sheet

Aaron Klug (1985) TFIIIA predict the Zinc finger structure

Carl Pabo obtained the structure of complex between TFIIIA and DNA using X-ray crystallography



Source: cover photo, Science 245(11 Aug 1989)



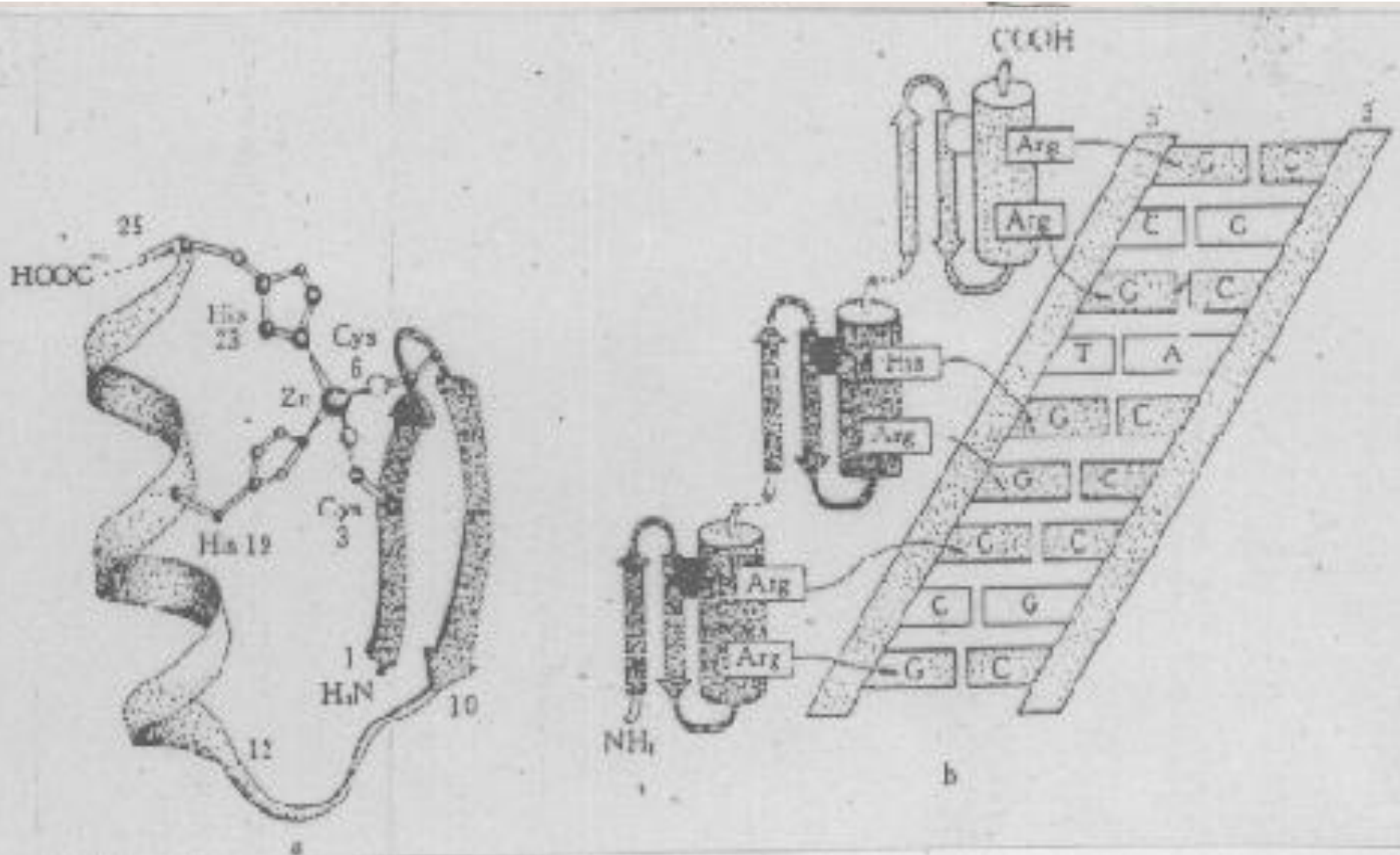
TFIIIA three fingers lining up the major groove of DNA which sequence

GCGTGGGCG

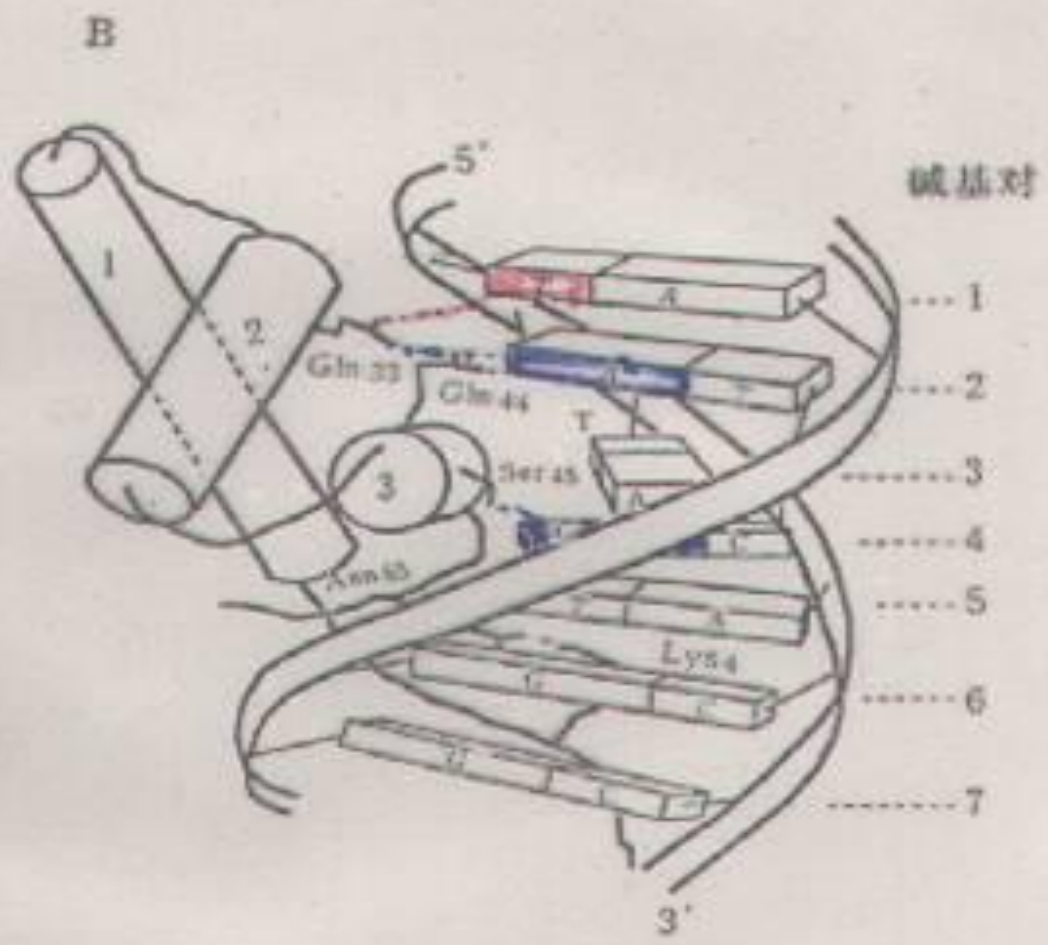
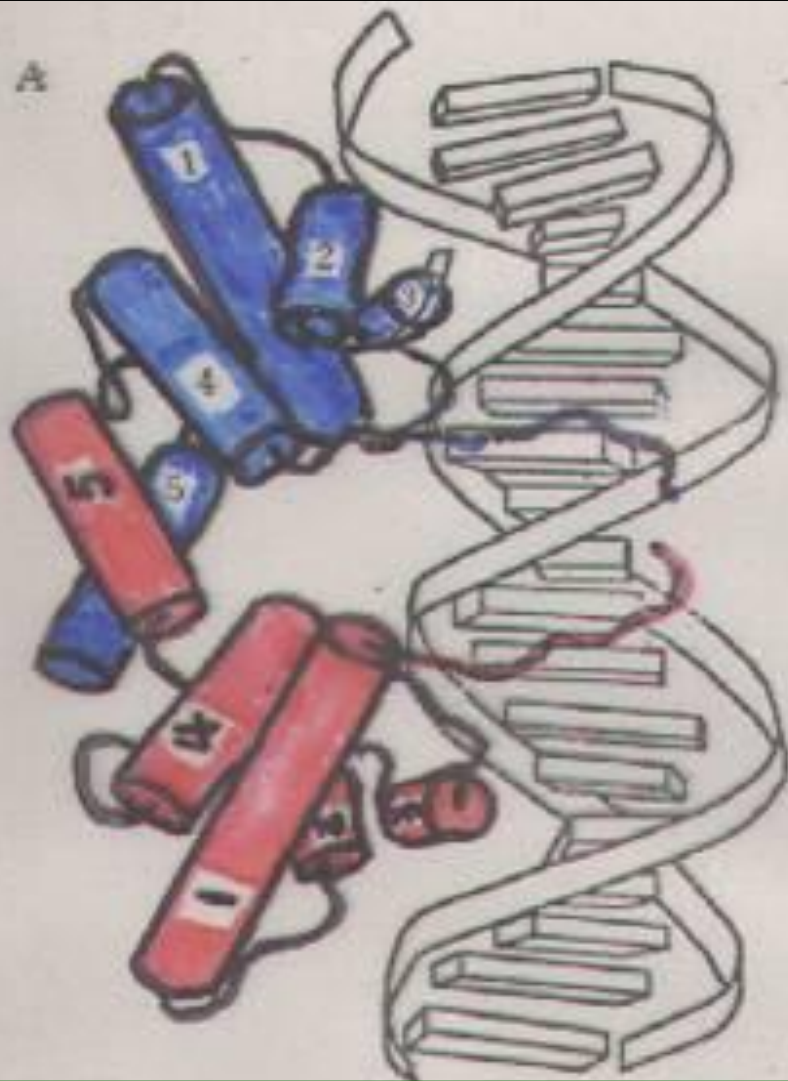
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Fig. III Fig. II Fig. I

(来源: 不详)

Zinc finger binding with cis-factor of DNA

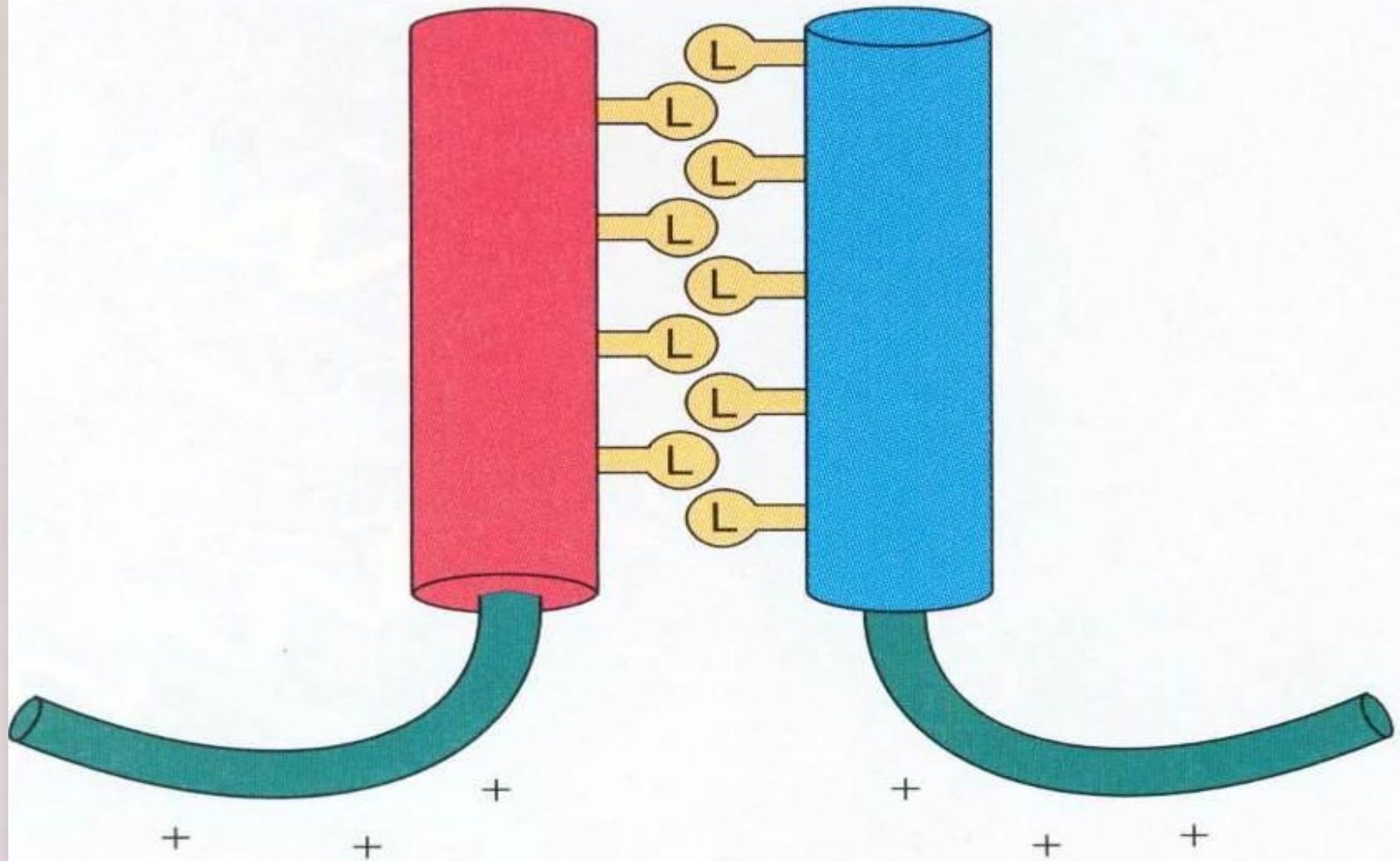


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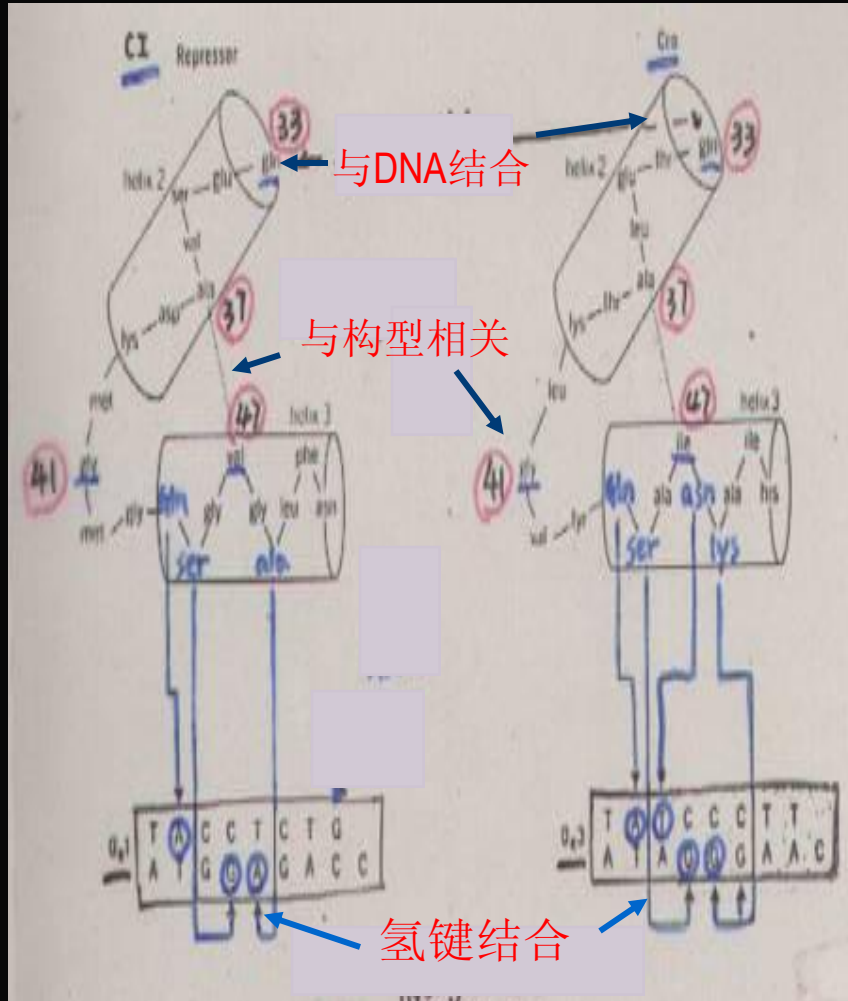
Helix-turn-helix domain of homeodomain

Leu zipper & basic domain of (bZIP)



4.2.3.4. Trans-factor 与 cis-actor 结合的通用原则

- 位点专一性识别，并具特异位点的氢键结合力



(来源：不详)

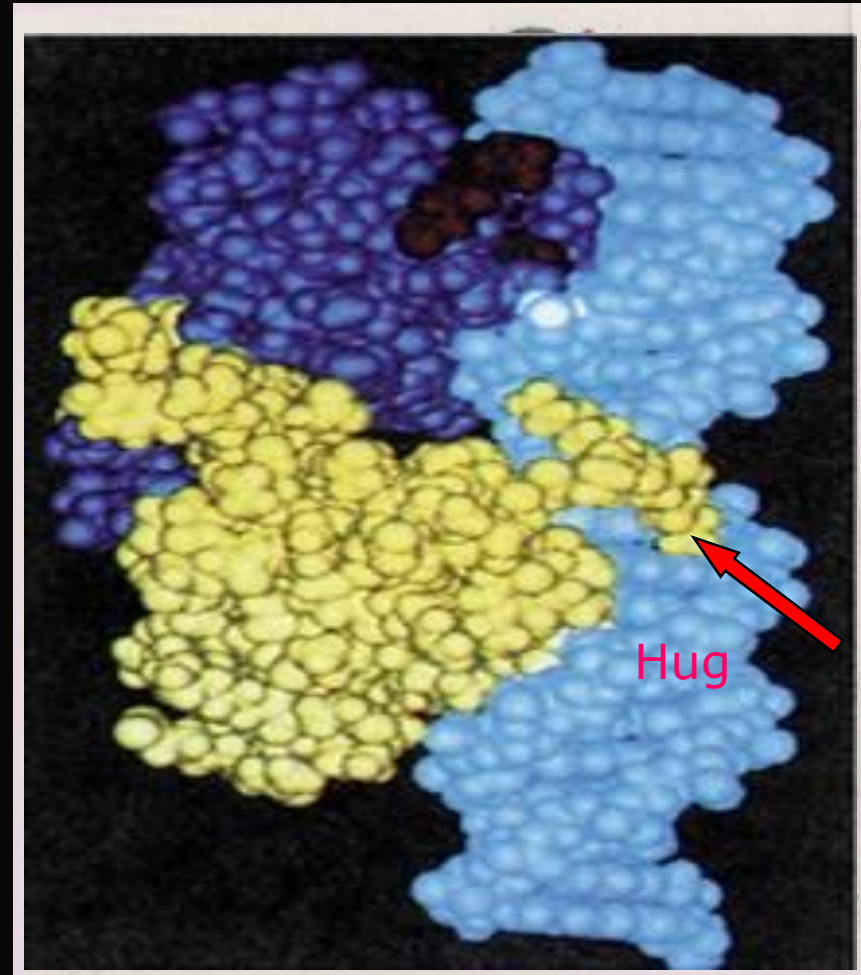
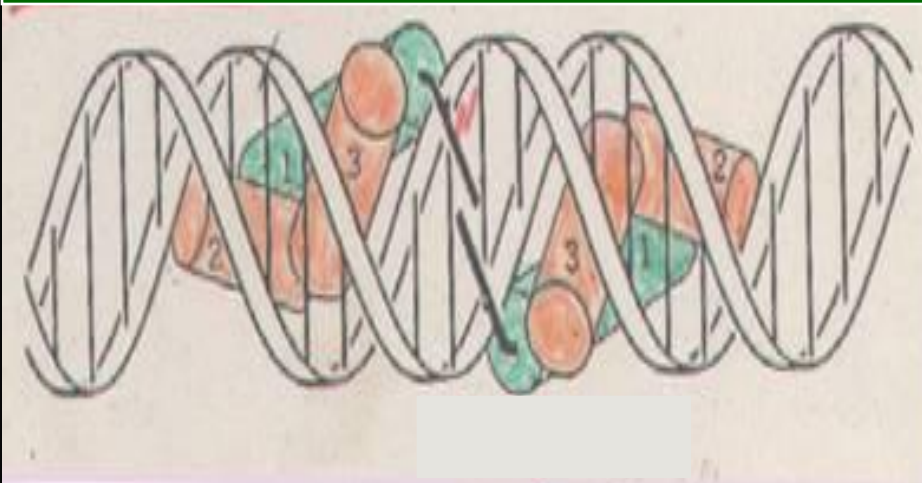
- Trans因子-- Cis因子间的识别与结合多发生在具有足够信息的DNA的大沟内
- 蛋白质氨基酸与DNA碱基(NH₂, O =)结合的界面形成大量的氢键连接

- **trans**因子与**cis**因子间的非特异性结合力

- protein ~ 盐桥 ~ phosphate backbone of DNA
- Hydrophobic focus (ΔS)

DNA-protein

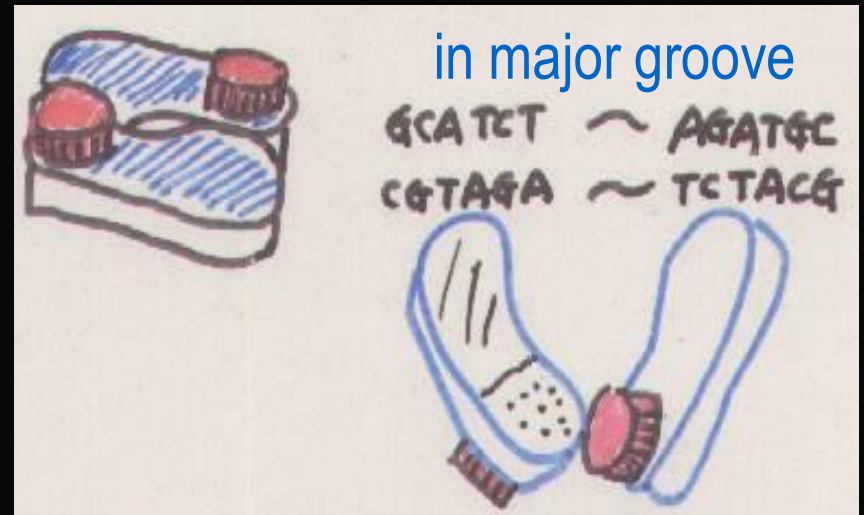
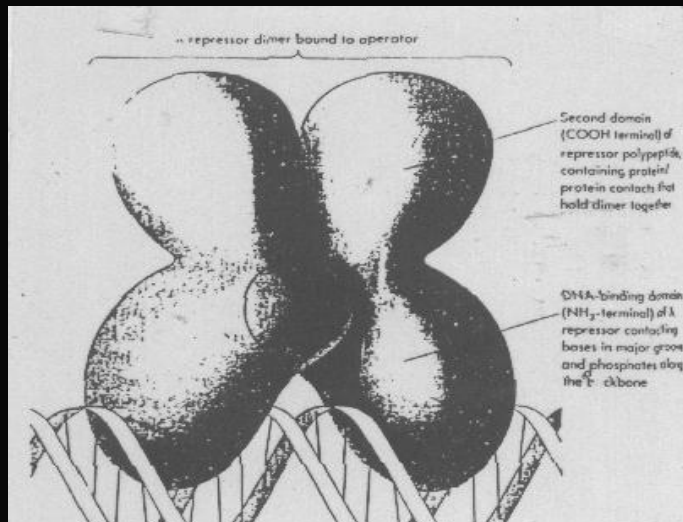
- N-end arm of helix reach around to other face (to minor groove)



- Dimer or tetramer of trans-F binding in palindromic cis-F

表现一种“二重对称性”

dimer as Right Shoes model binding with palindromic Seq.

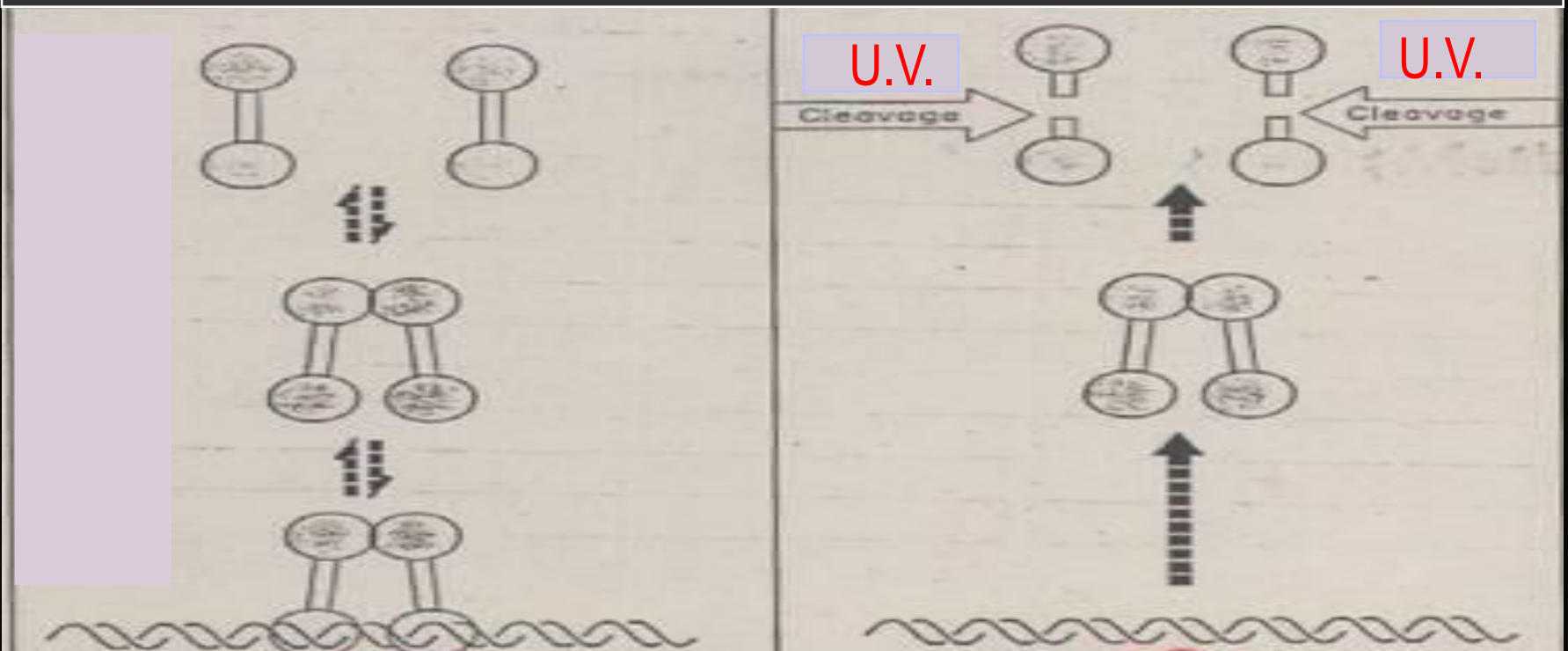


(来源：不详)



相对浓度的改变

准确，灵活地调节基因表达



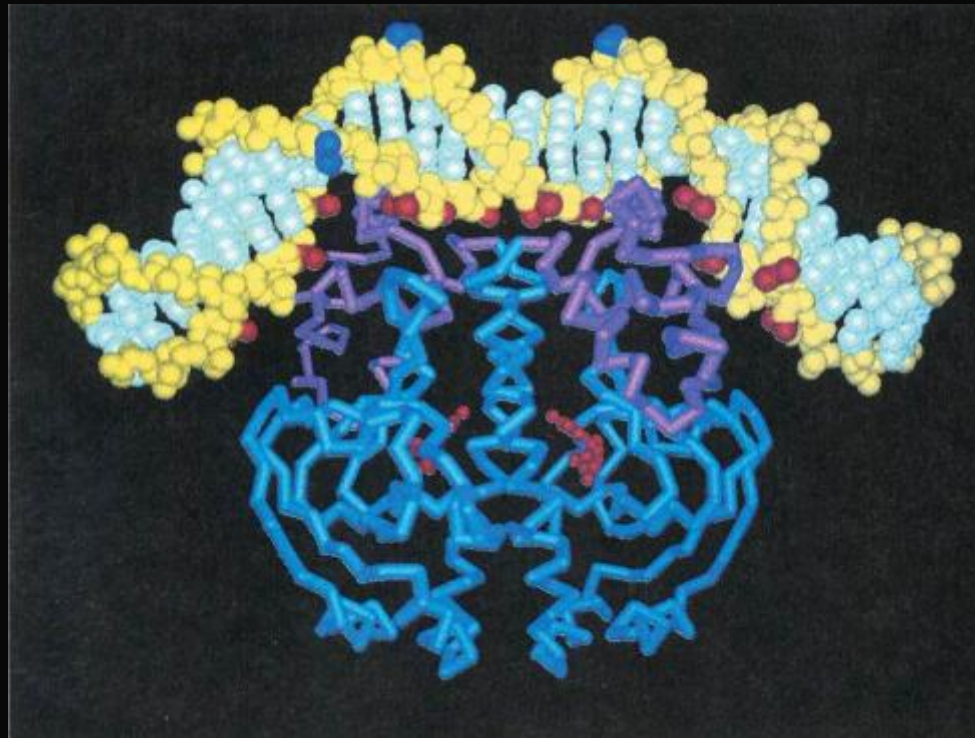
Cis-factor

Cis-factor

转录因子以三种方式发挥促进转录的功能：

- (1) 改变DNA构象，使原来包埋在螺旋内部的启动子序列暴露出来，有利于RNA聚合酶与启动子的结合。
- (2) 影响RNA聚合酶，TF因子与DNA结合形成Basic transcription complex，加强/减弱其特异性结合。
- (3) 参与其它调节因子之间的interaction & activity

4.3. Transcription termination



4.3.1. 概念

- **RNApol** leave from terminator
- RNA released from Triplex (RNA, DNA, RNApol)
- different from discontinue / read-through

4.3.2. Terminator 种类

In prokaryotes

基因末端终止子(terminator)

基因内部终止子 (attenuator)

Rho-independent terminator / Rho-dependent terminator

In Eukaryotes

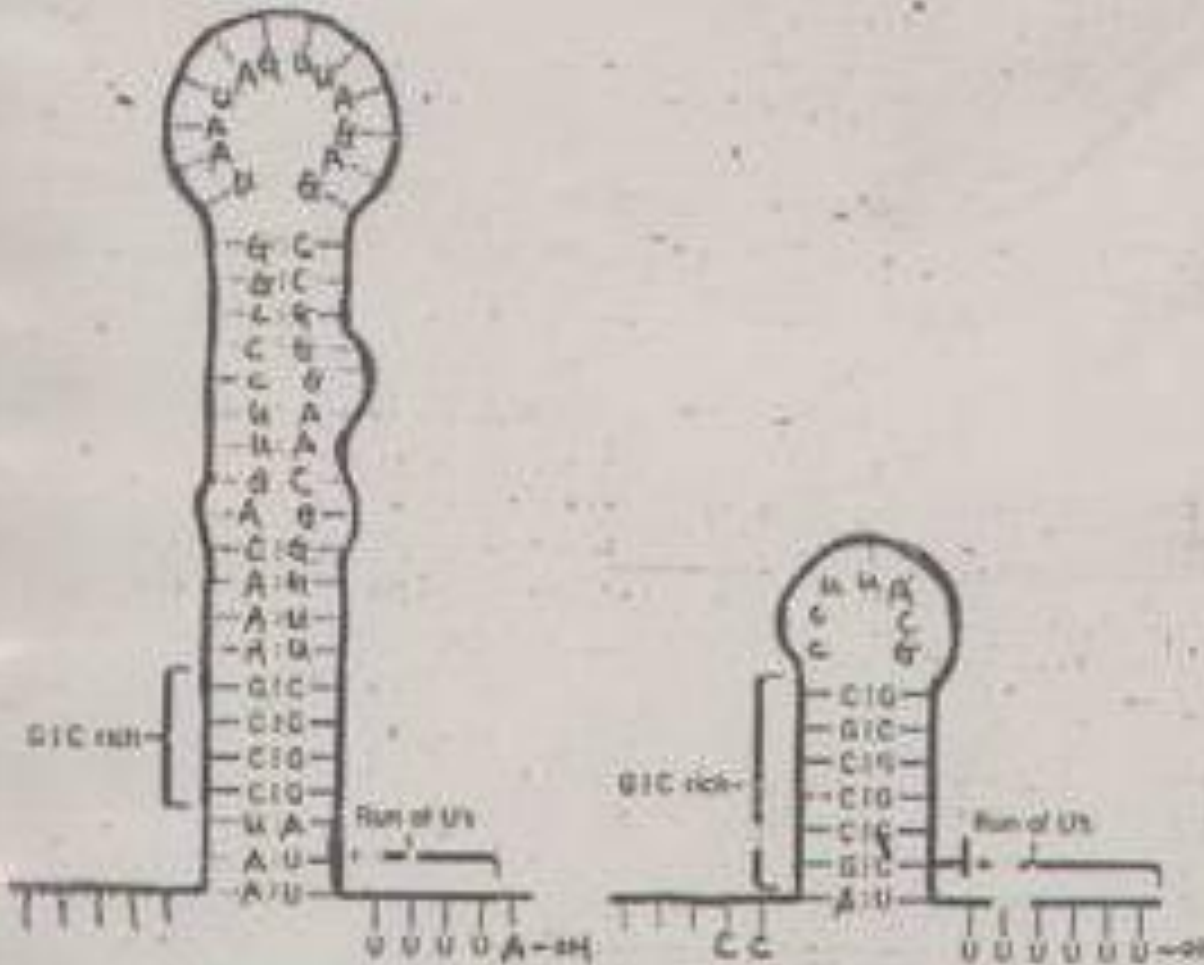
Difficult to identify the primary transcript

because pre-mRNA processing

4.3.3. Rho-independent terminator (simple terminator)

a) Structure

- Palindromic sequence
- G/C rich region that form hairpins of varying lengths in RNA
- G/C rich hairpin are followed by a run of U residues in RNA



Rho-independent terminator

Rho-independent terminator

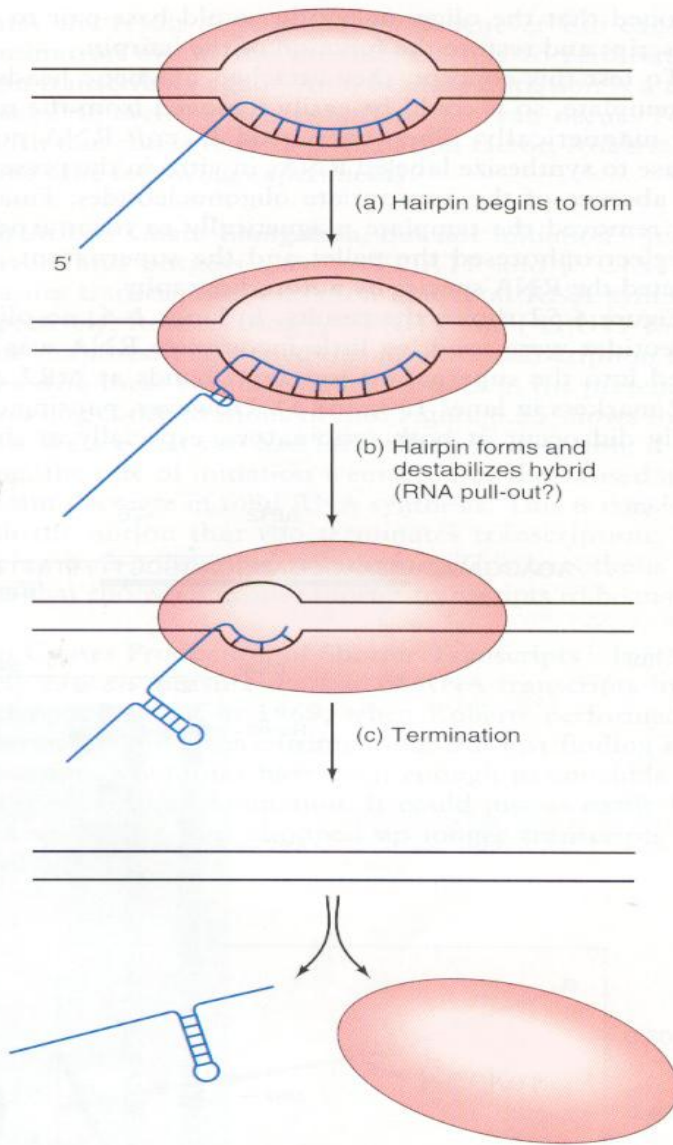
Figure 13.3

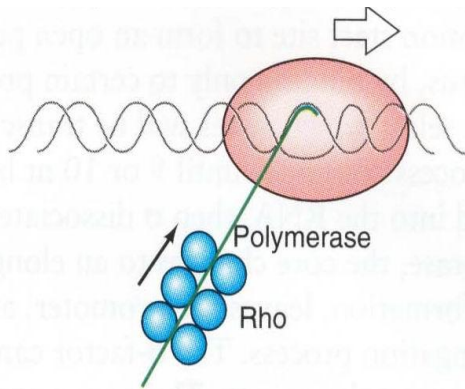
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Rho-independent terminator (simple terminator)

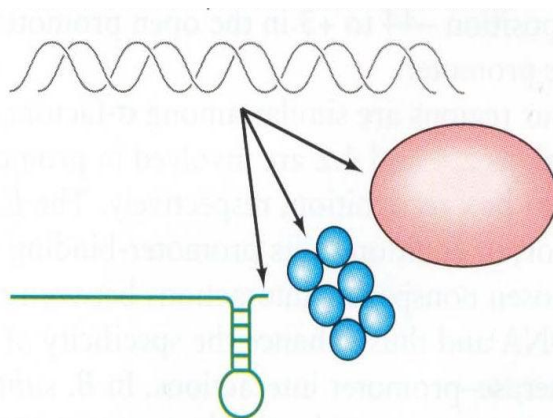
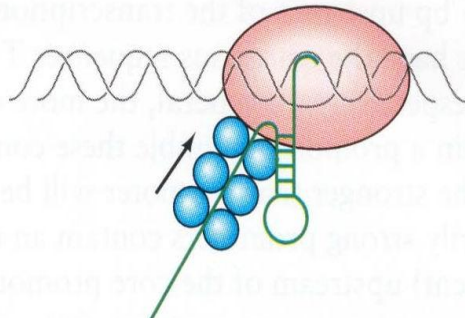
b) Function

- G/C rich → transcription delay
- NusA-protein → RNAPol pausing
- RNA stem-loop & polyA/U → RNAPol leave
- β' inhibited by K factor → RNAPol & DNA separated





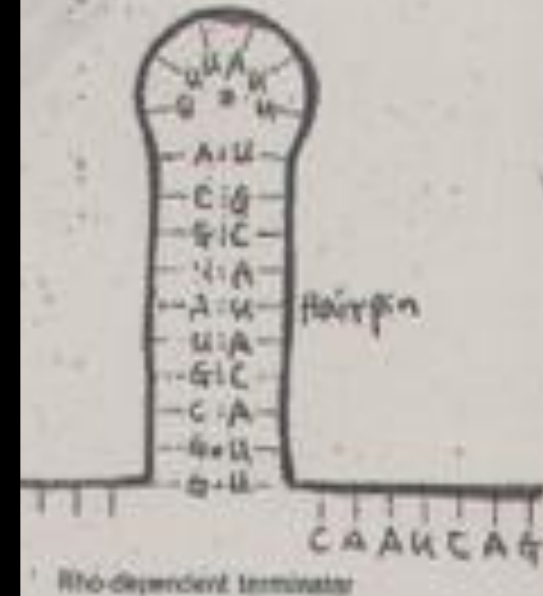
4.3.4. Rho-dependent terminator



(Source: Molecular Biology(2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 167)

a) Structure

- Palindromic sequence
- G/C rare in palindrom but **form loose hairpin in RNA**
- palindromic sequence are not followed by poly A/T in DNA
- Rho factor be needed for termination



(来源: 不详)

b) Function

RNAPol + NusA-protein



RNAPol pausing 60'' more or less

K, Rho



or



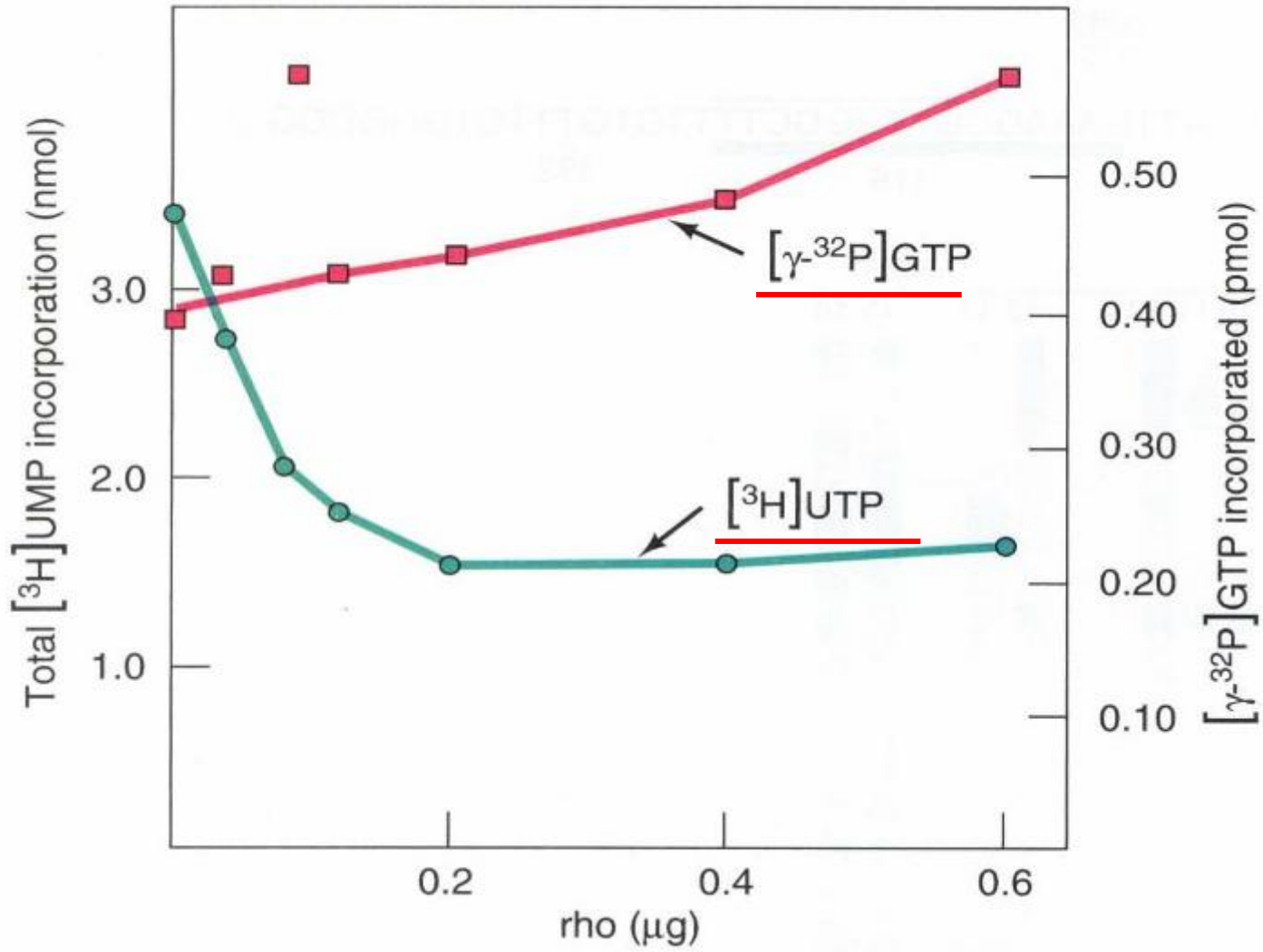
termination

read-through

c) Rho-factor (ρ)

- Hexamer 55kd neutral **helicase-like**
- Contest RNA 3'-end with **β factor**
- **ATPase-like, GTPase-like** activity need spacer of **> 50 Nt**
- 转录终止效率取决于紧随回文的下游序列
 - 保证 RNA / DNA 具有一定松弛的结合力
 - 过低的结合力 → 成为 Rho-independent terminator
 - 过高的结合力 → 引起 RNAPol read-through
 - 各依赖 Rho 因子的终止子间的效率差异取决于终止子区 DNA / RNA 间结合力的差异

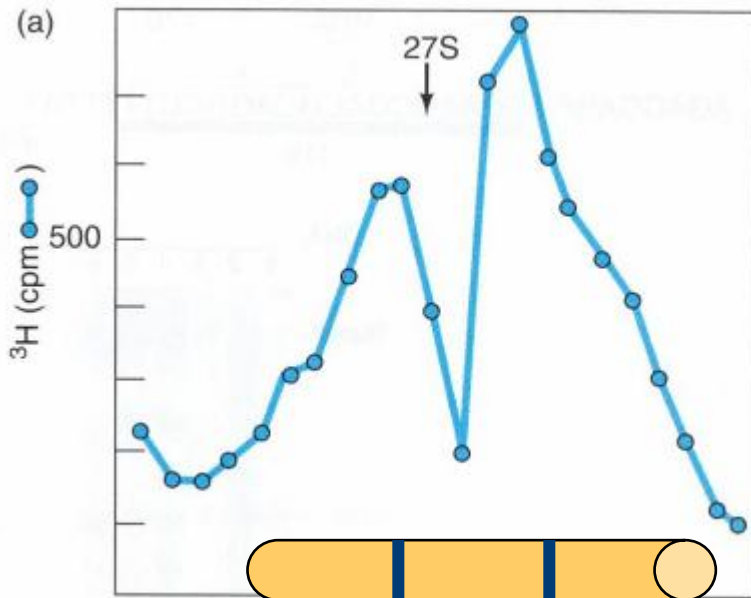
E. coli RNA polymerase to transcribe λ phage DNA



Rho depressed the elongation rate, but not initiation

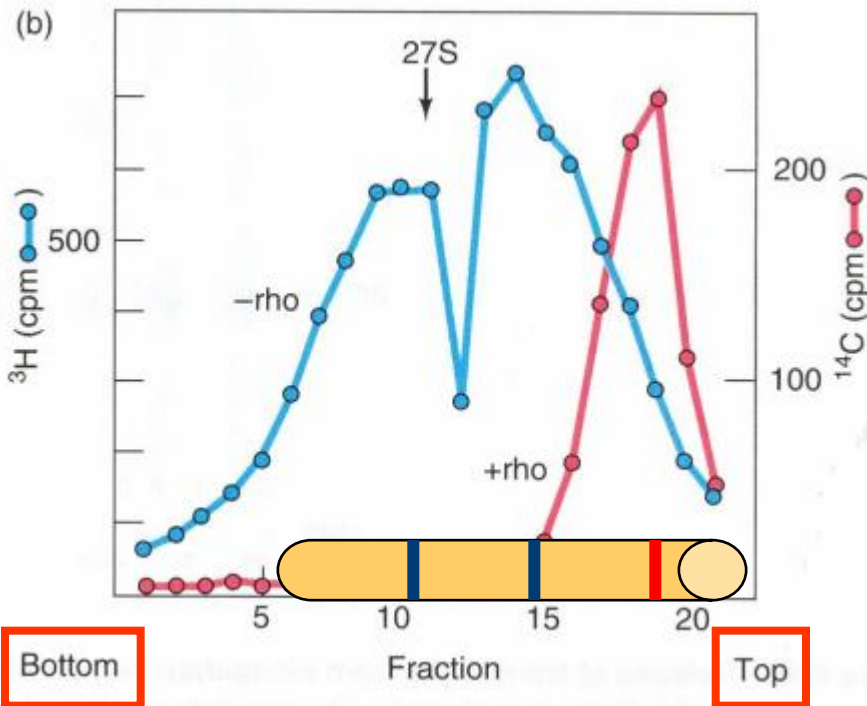
Roberts used *E. coli* RNA polymerase to transcribe λ DNA

(a) in the absence of Rho.
[^3H]UTP to label the RNA.



Rho reduces the size of RNA

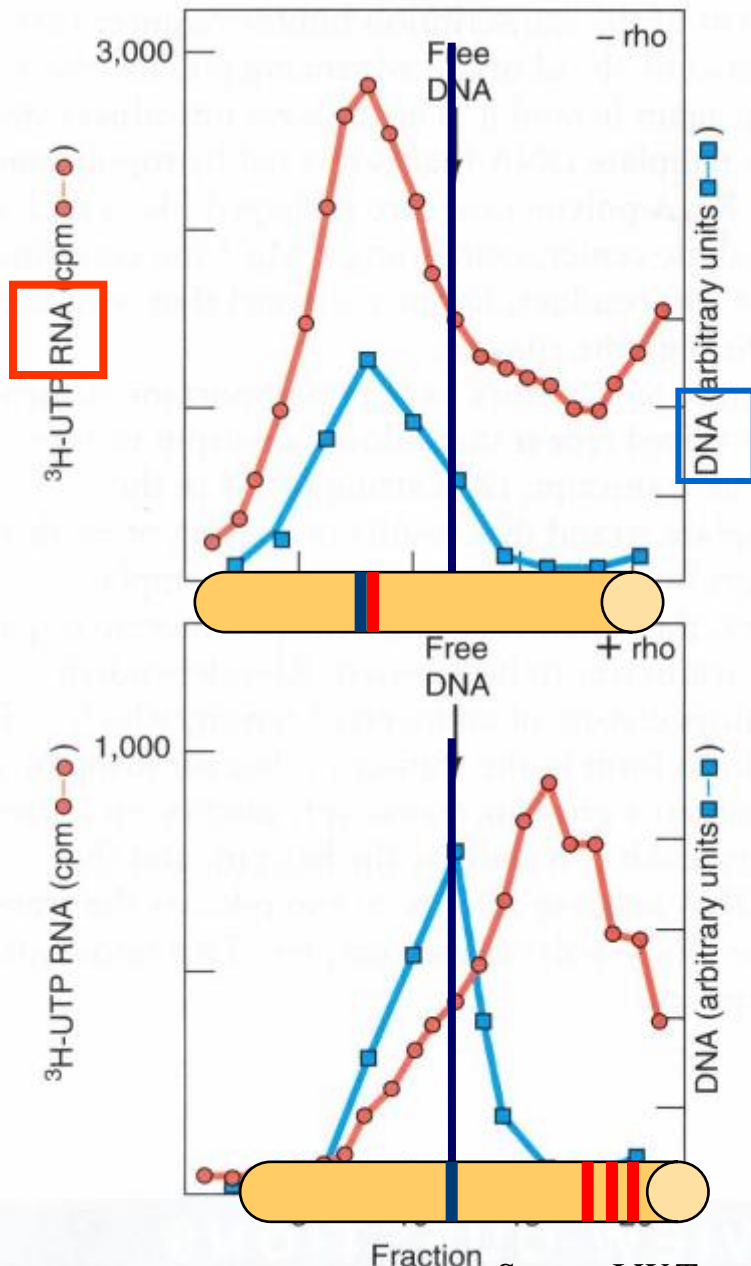
(b) in the presence of Rho.
[^{14}C]ATP to label the RNA, plus the ^3H -labeled RNA from panel (a)



Bottom

Top

Rho releases RNA from DNA template



(a) RNA made in the absence of rho sedimented together with the template in a complex that was larger than free DNA

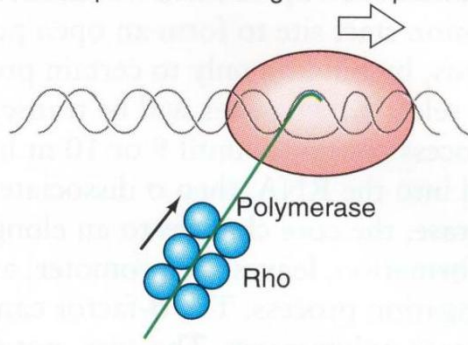
indicating that RNA had not been released from their association with the DNA.

(b) RNA made in the presence of rho sedimented independently of DNA at a position corresponding to relatively small molecules

indicating that rho seems to release RNA transcripts from the DNA template

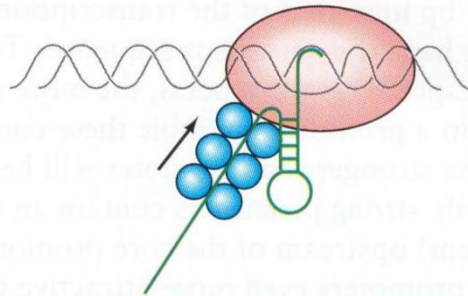
model of rho-dependent termination

(a) Rho binds to transcript at rho loading site and pursues polymerase.



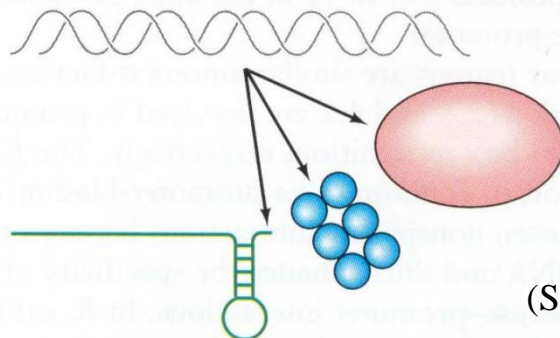
(a) Rho binds to the transcript and pursues the polymerase.

(b) Hairpin forms; polymerase pauses; rho catches up.



(b) When the hairpin forms in the transcript, the polymerase pauses, giving Rho a chance to catch up.

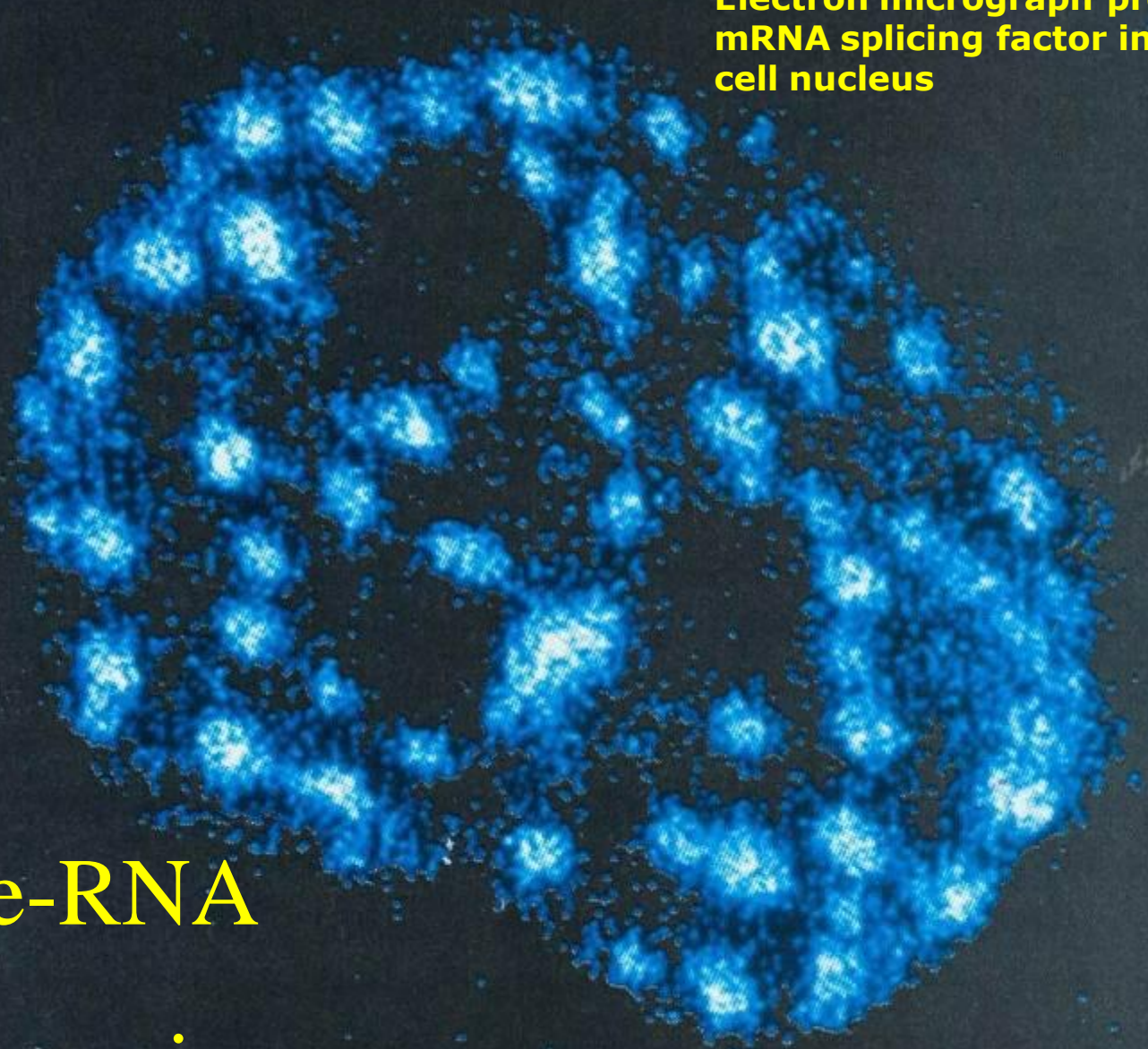
(c) Rho helicase releases transcript and causes termination.



(c) Rho **helicase** unwinds the RNA-DNA hybrid and releases the transcript.

(Source: Molecular Biology(2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 167)

Electron micrograph pre-mRNA splicing factor in a cell nucleus



4.4. Pre-RNA

Processing

(Source:Dr.David Spector/Peter Arnold,Inc.)

4.4.1. 概念;



生物学意义;

- interrupted gene (interrupted RNA) → remove introns (stop codon) → as template (protein translation)
- prevent pre-RNA from digested by RNase
- something new.....

4.4.2. pre-RNA capping

- Cytoplasm Polyhedron Virus (CPV)

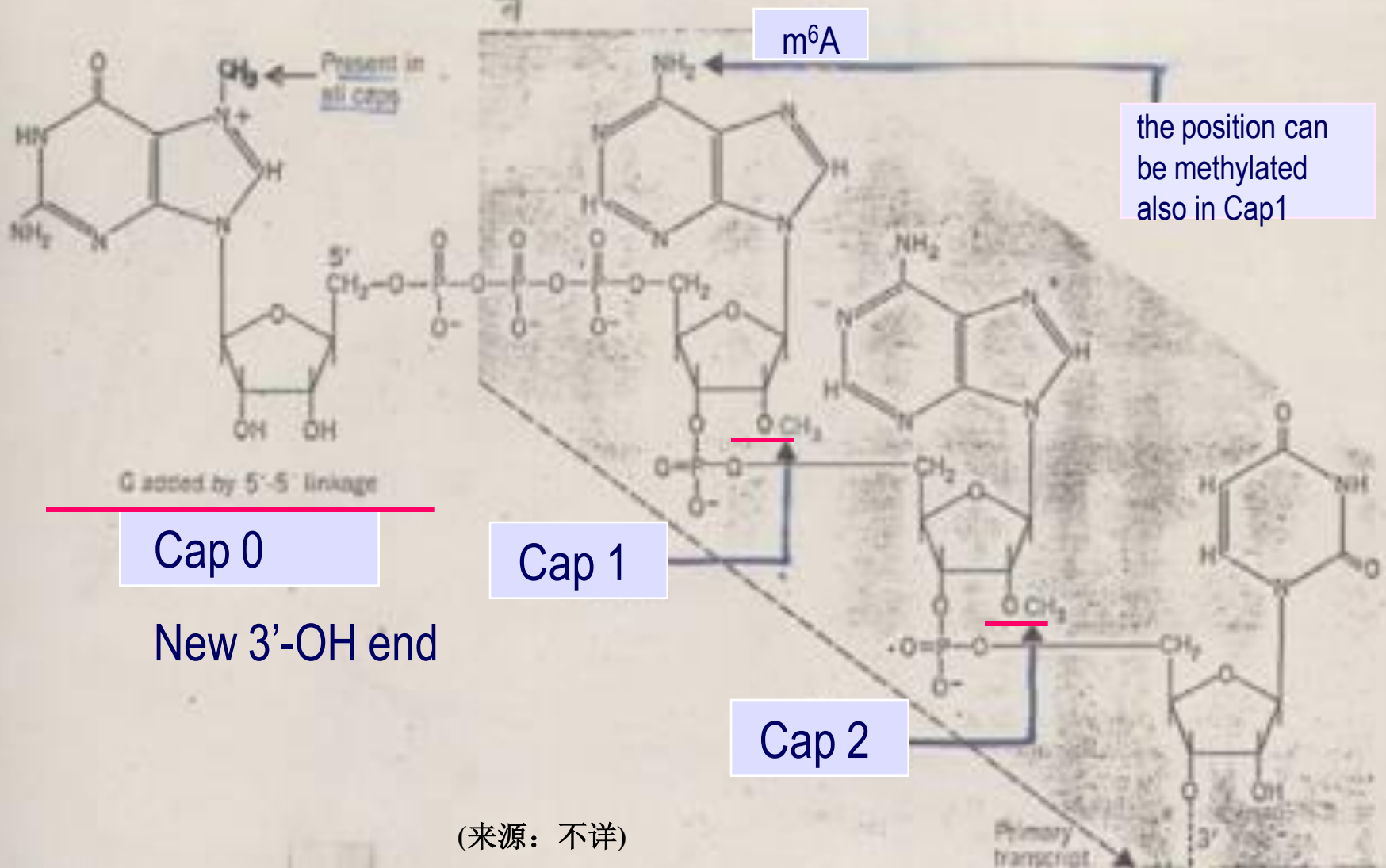
Jan Furuich (1974)

Cap-0 $m^7GpppXpYp$ ----- (共有)

Cap-1 $m^7GpppXmpYp$ -----

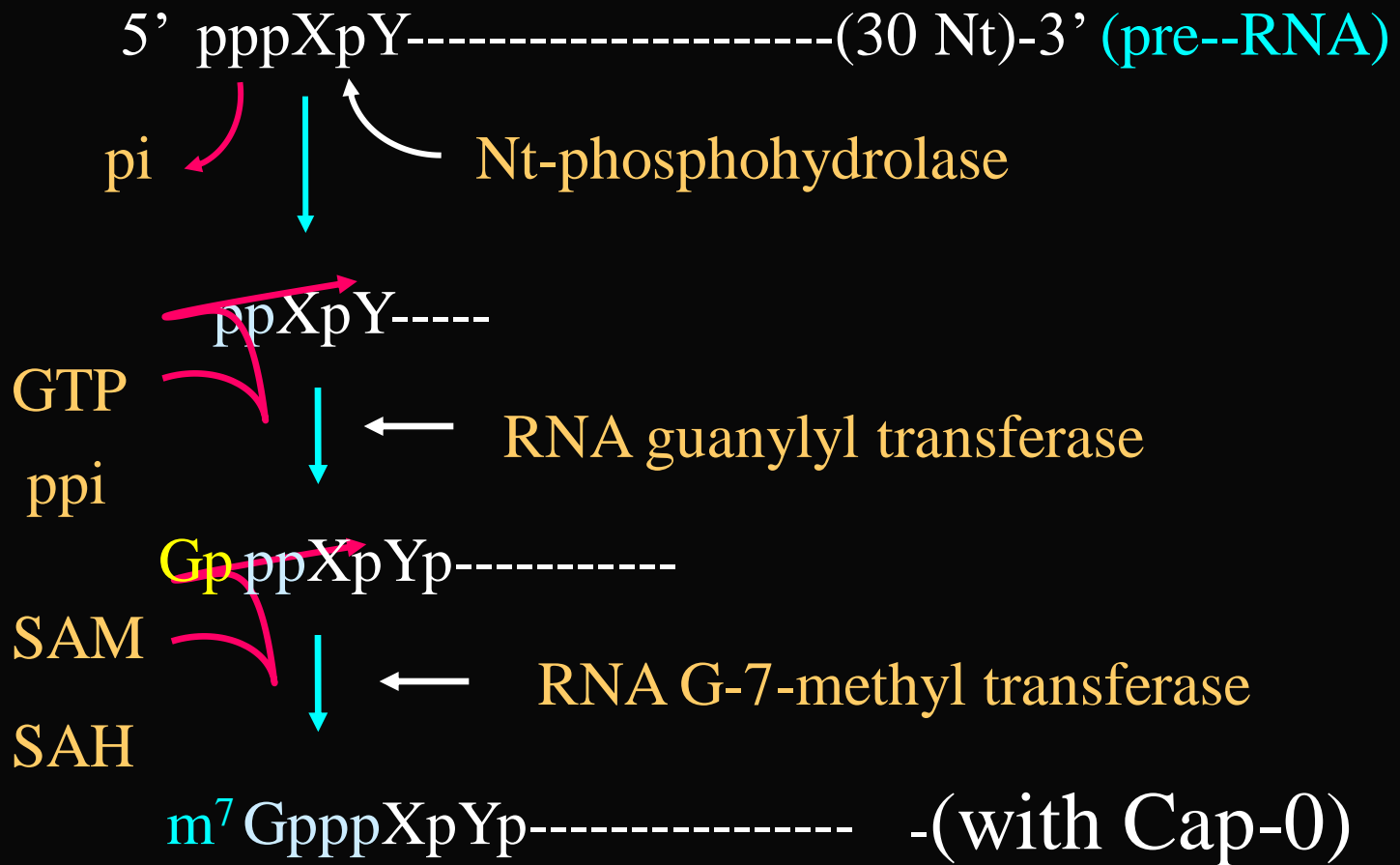
Cap-2 $m^7GpppXmpYmp$ -----

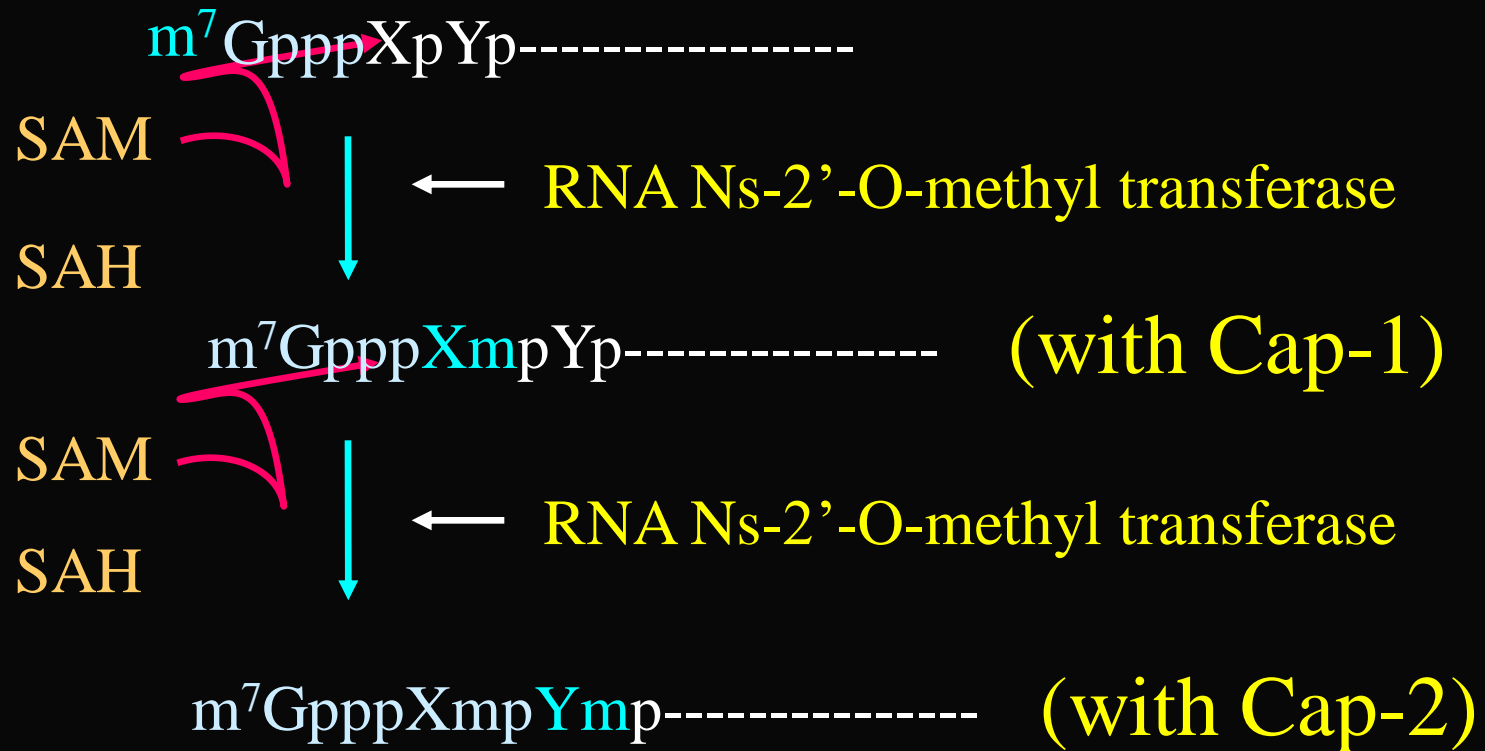
Types & structure of CAP in Eukayotes



mRNA capping proceeding

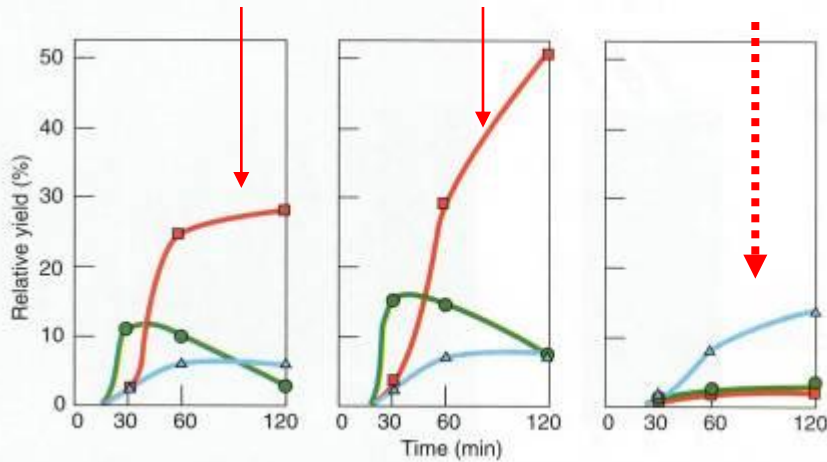
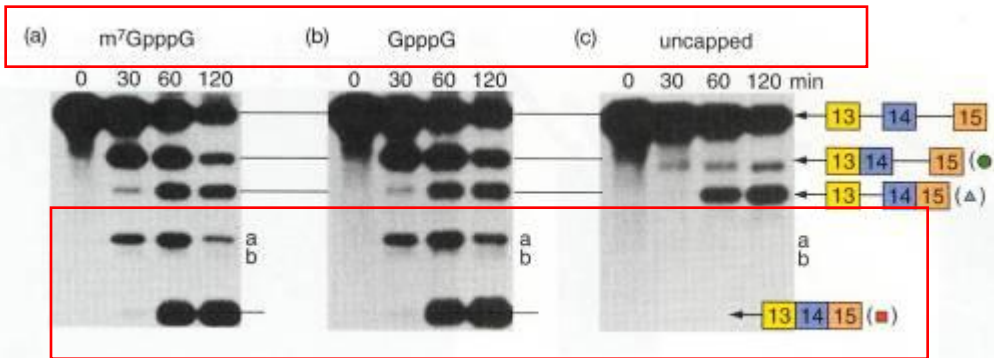
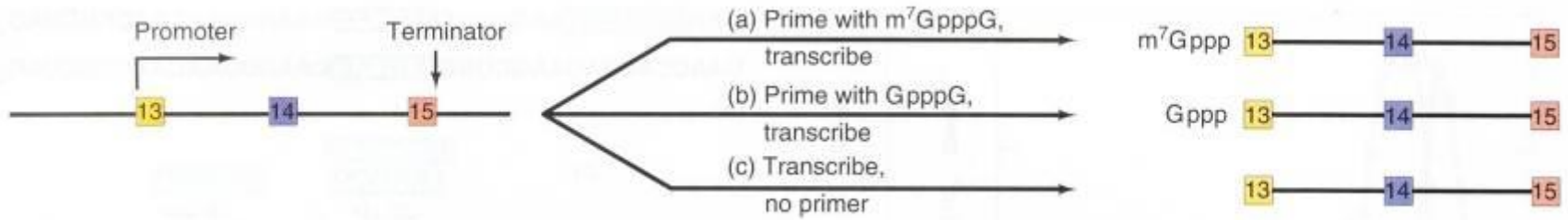
- After $30 \pm$ Nt transcribed, pre-RNA capping start





SAM; S - Adenosyl - L - methionine
 SAH; S - Adenosyl - L - homocysteine

Production of capped and uncapped splicing substrates



absence of cap effectively inhibits splicing of the first intron.

4.4.3. pre-RNA tailing

- 概念

A poly(A) tail (50-200 ±) be added at -20 Nt ± tailing signal (AAUAAA) from 3'-end of Pre-RNA

Rabbit α - globin mRNA

5'-----CUUUGAAUAAA-----poly(A) 3'
-20

Rabbit β - globin mRNA

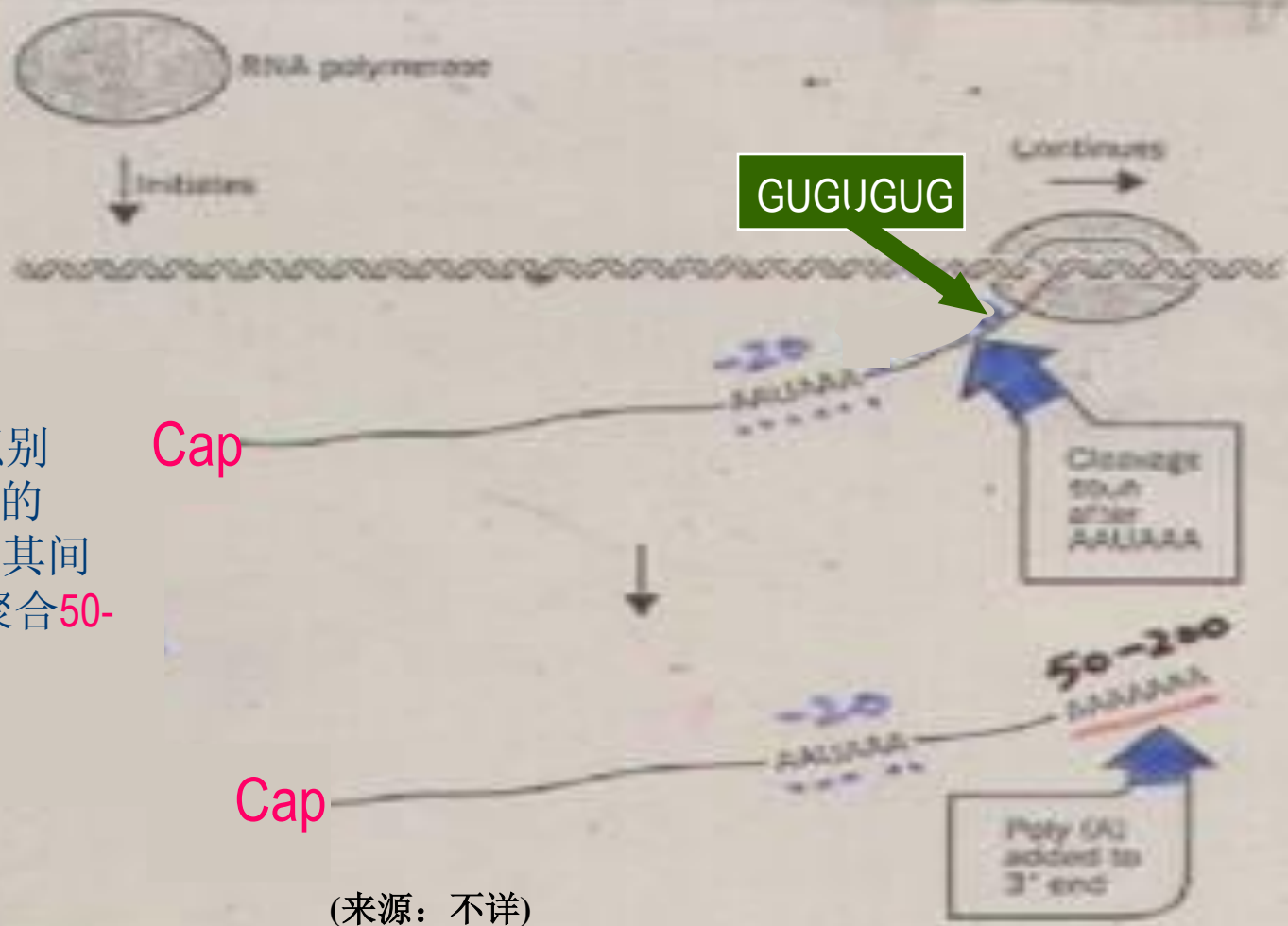
5'-----UGGCUAAUAAA-----poly(A) 3'
-20

Man α - globin mRNA

5'-----CUUUGAAUAAA-----poly(A) 3'
-20

Man β - globin mRNA

5'-----UGCCUAAUAAA-----poly(A) 3'
-20



特异内切酶识别
AAUAAA及随后的
GUGUGUG并在其间
酶切，在3'端聚合50-
200poly(A)

(来源: 不详)

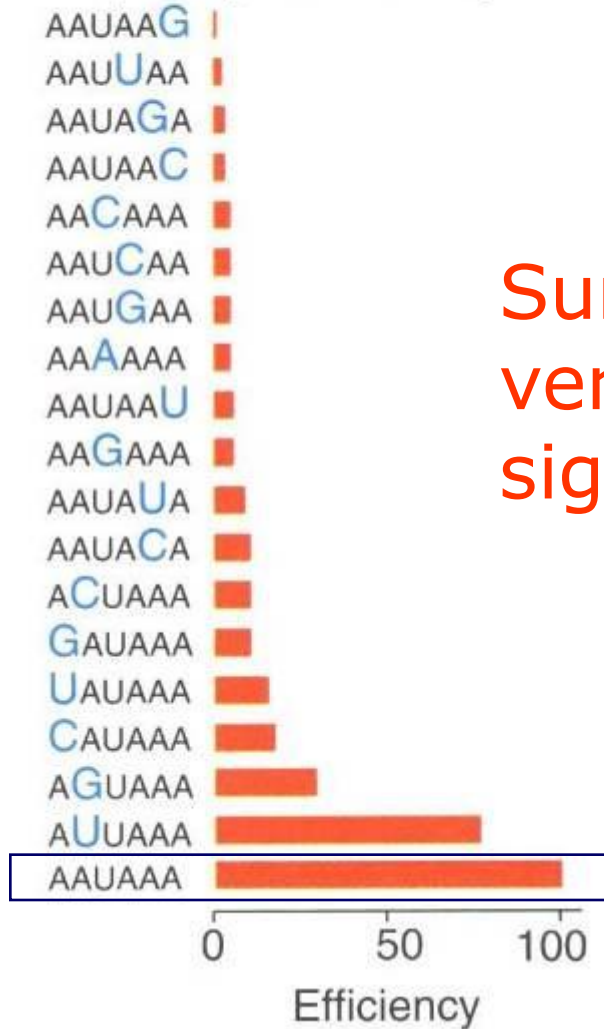
Proceeding of pre-RNA tailing Recognizing site

Consensus

A₉₈A₈₆U₉₈A₉₈A₉₅A₉₆

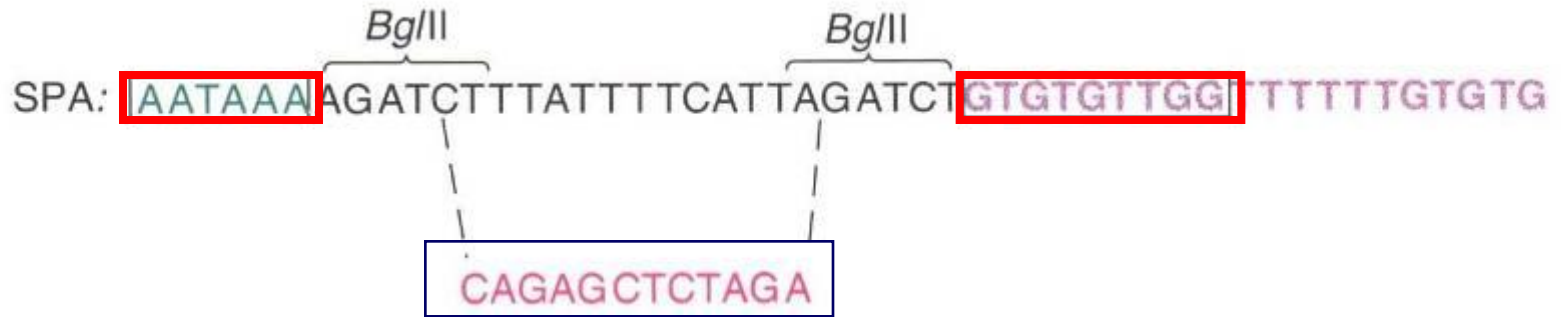
U₁₂

Polyadenylation activity



Summary of data on 369 vertebrate polyadenylation signals.

(Source: M. Wickens, "How the messenger got its tail: addition of poly(A) in the nucleus," Biochemical Sciences, 1990 vol. 15)



Structure of the synthetic polyadenylation site (SPA)

unrelated sequence could be inserted in place of the natural sequence between the AATAAAA and GT/T motifs and Nt substitution made

no difference in efficiency of polyadenylation.

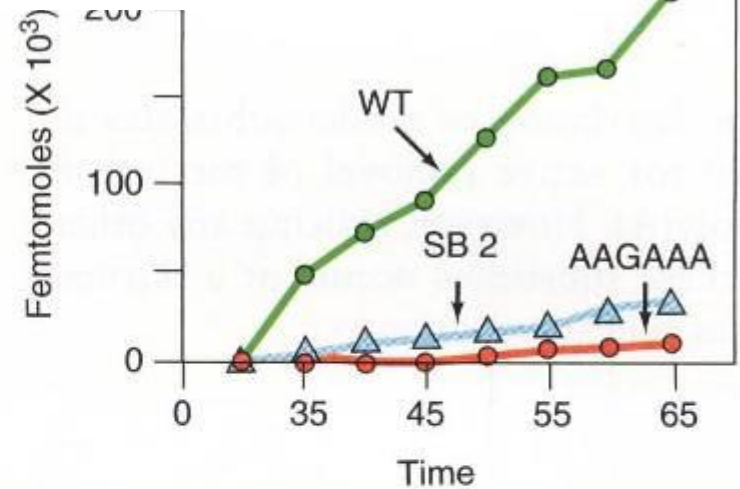
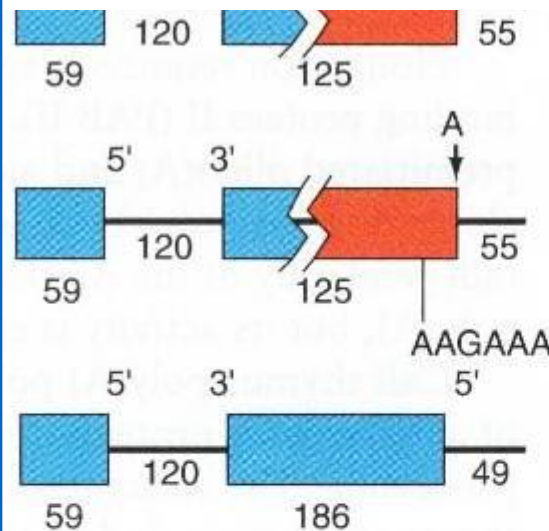
(Source: N. Levitt "Definition of an efficient synthetic poly(A) site," Genes & Development 3:1019-1025, 1989)

Polyadenylation of model substrates is required for active removal of the intron closest to the poly(A).

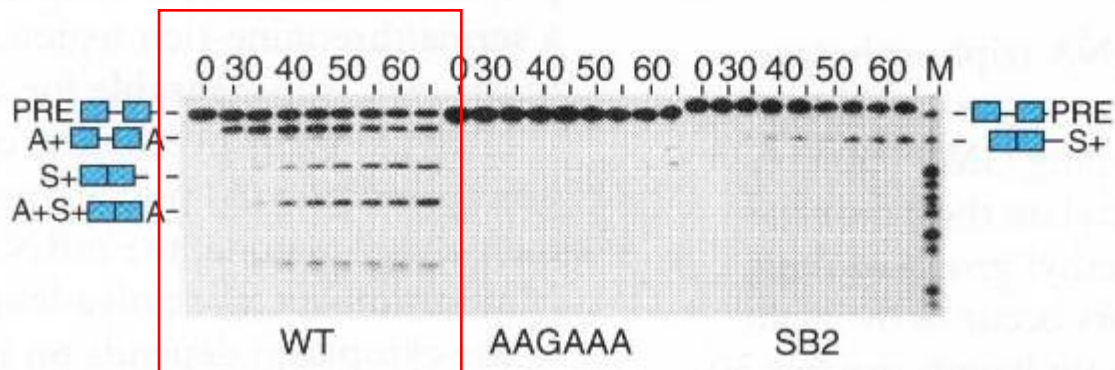
AAU,
polyadenylated

mutation
Un-polyadenylated

No AAUAAA
Un-polyadenylated



(b)



(来源: 分子生物学 (2007), 郑用琰, 第162页)

• 过程;

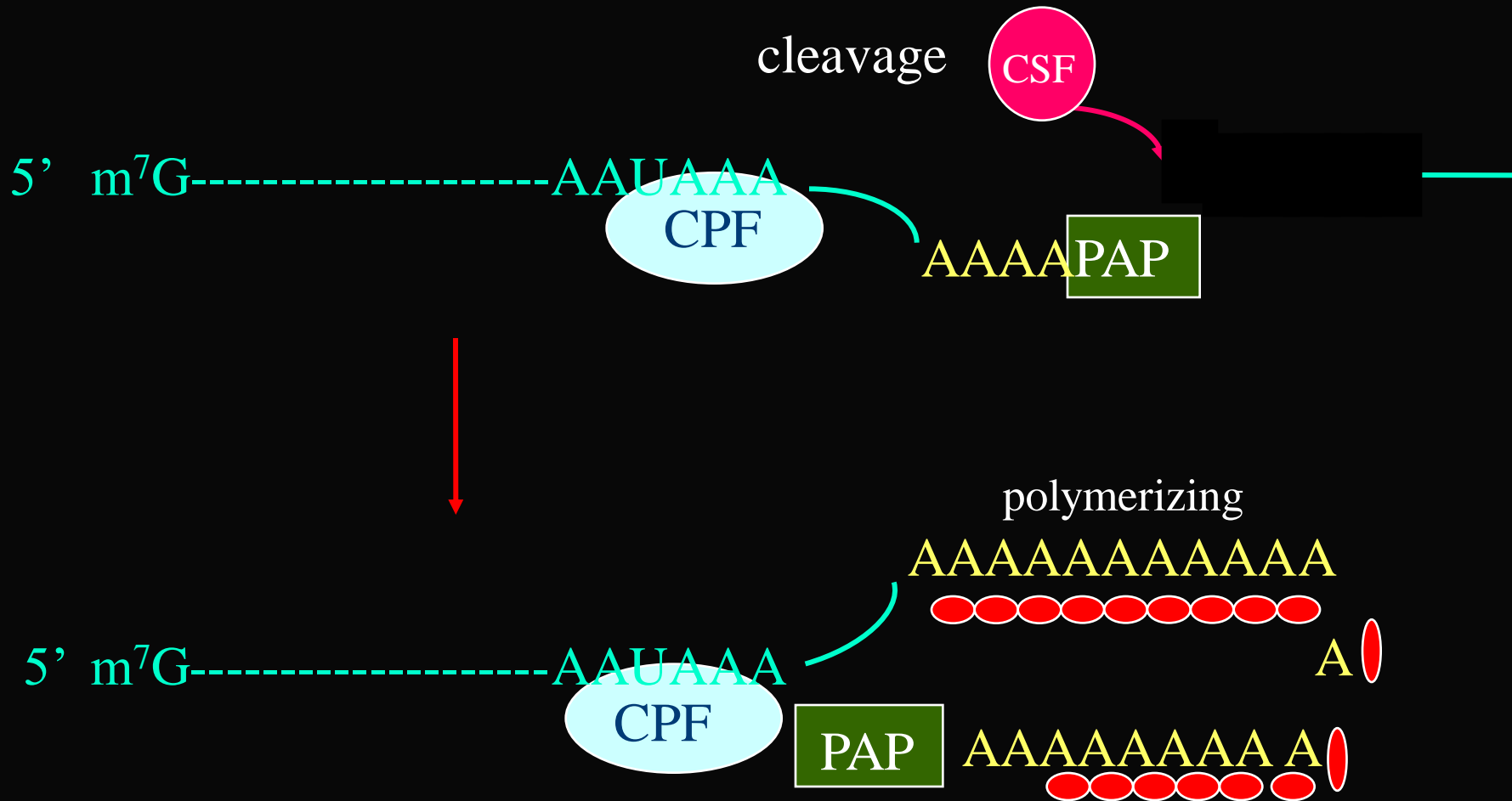


● CPF (cleavage and poly(A) specific factor)

■ PAP (poly(A) polymerase)

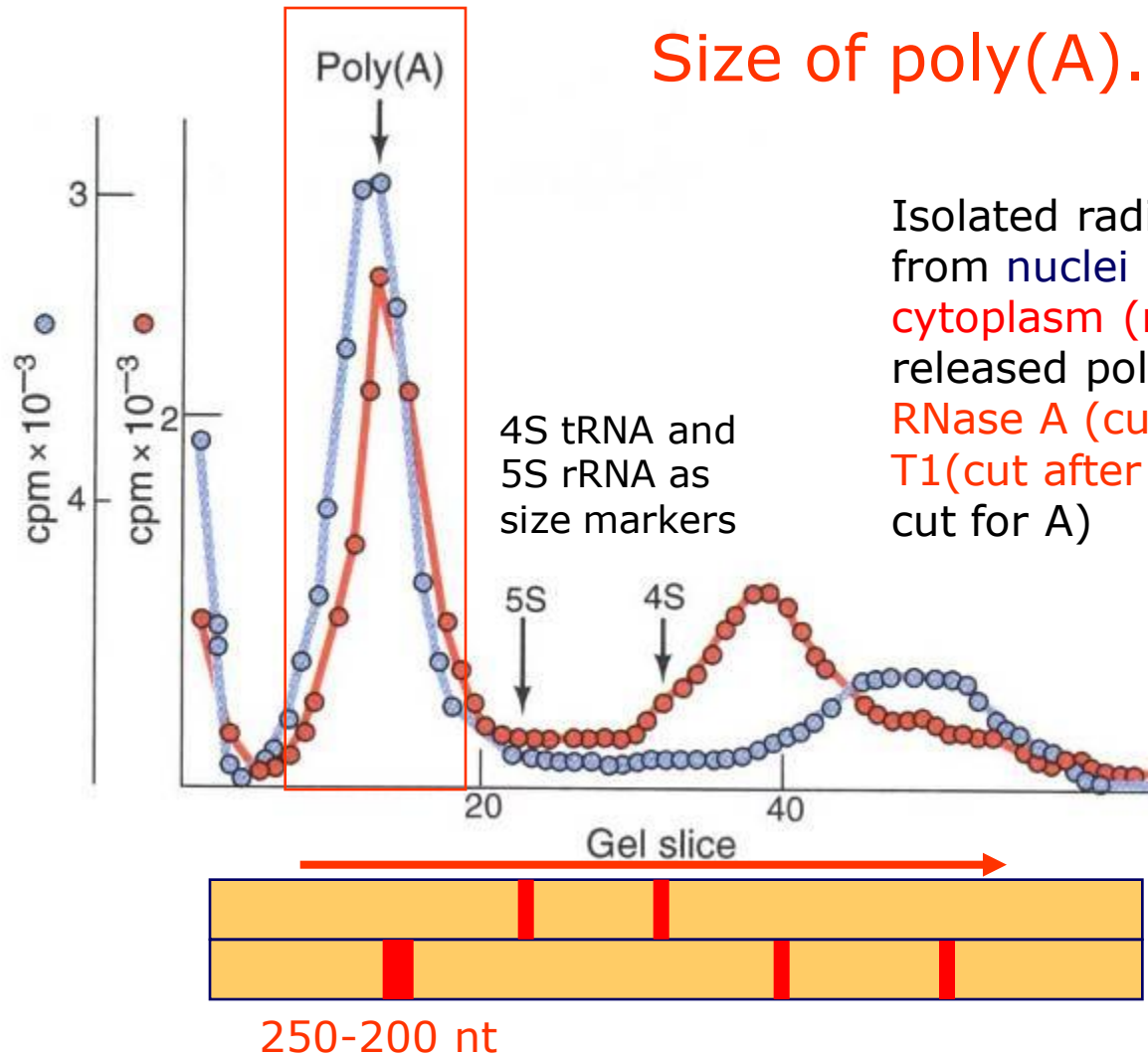
● CSF (cleavage stimulation factor)
(stabilize CPF-RNA-PAP complex)





- PABP II (poly(A) Binding Protein)
Promotion poly(A) elongation

Size of poly(A).



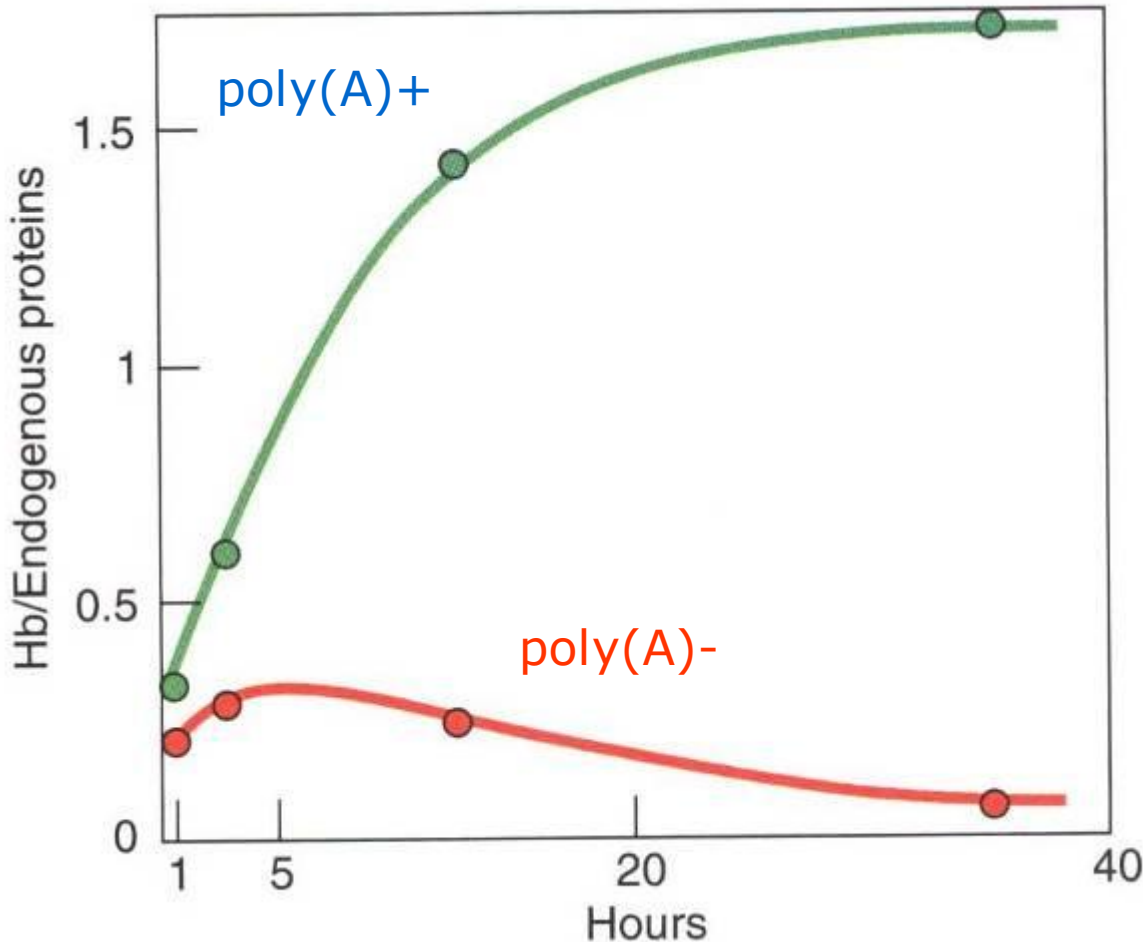
Isolated radioactively labeled hnRNA from nuclei (blue), and mRNA from cytoplasm (red) of HeLa cells, then released poly(A) from these RNAs by RNase A (cut after U/C) and RNase T1 (cut after G) treatment. (No RNase cut for A)

Both poly(A)s electrophoresed more slowly than the 5S marker, corresponding to molecules about 200-250 nt long.

(Source: Sheiness and Darnell Nature New Biology 241:267, 1973)

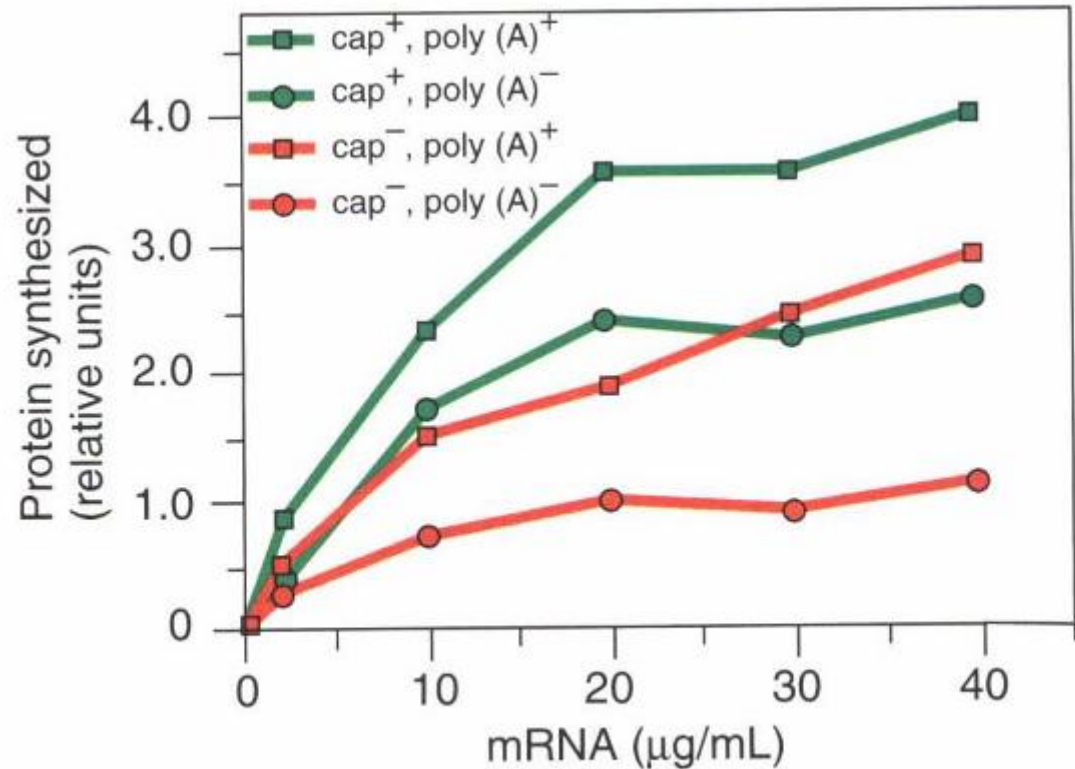
Effect of poly(A) on translation of globin mRNA in oocytes

The poly(A)+ mRNA remained active much longer than the poly(A)- mRNA



(Source: G. Huez et al PNAS 71 (8):3143-3146, August 1974.)

线粒体/叶绿体中
Poly(A)导致mRNA/
的降解?!

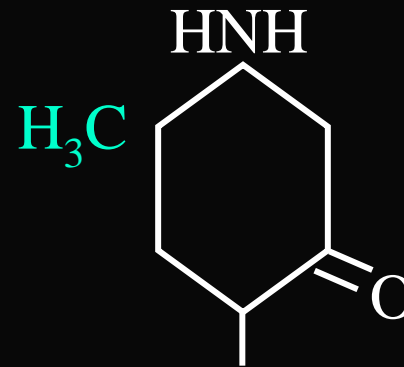
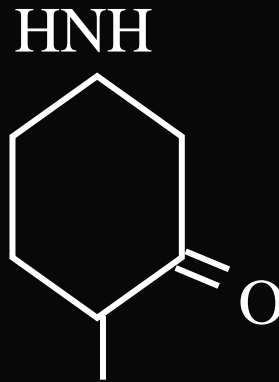


(Source: Munore, D. mRNA poly(A) tail, a 3' enhancer of a translational initiation., Molecular and Cellular Biology 10:3445, 1990)

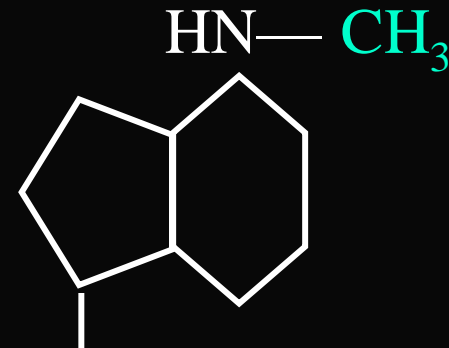
Effect of
polyadenylation on
translatability and
stability of mRNAs.

4.4.4. RNA internal methylation

m^5C



m^6A



常见tRNA中的修饰核苷酸

Xo ⁵ U	(5-羟基尿苷)
Cmnm ⁵ U	(5-羧甲基氨甲基尿苷)
mCm ⁵ U	(5-甲氧基羧甲基尿苷)
Xm ⁵ s ² U	(5-甲基-2-硫代尿苷)
K ² C	(2-赖氨酸胞苷)
Com ⁵ U	(5(2)-羟羧甲基尿苷)
I	(Inosine次黄嘌呤)
m ⁷ G	(7-甲基尿苷)
m ⁵ C	(5-甲基胞苷)
m ⁶ A	(6-甲基腺苷)
s ² C	(2-硫代胞苷)
ψ	(假尿苷)
Um	(2'-O-甲基尿苷)
Q	(Queuosine)

4.4.5. pre-RNA 剪接的分子基础

4.4.5.1 剪接装置与底物

a) 核内RNA (nRNA / hnRNA)

● RNAPol I → 18s, 5.8s, 28s rRNA (nucleolus)

RNAPol II → mRNA, U1, U2, U4, U5-SnRNA
(nucleoplasm)

RNAPol III → tRNA, 5s rRNA, U6-SnRNA
(nucleolus & nucleoplasm)

● pre-mRNA $\bar{X} \approx 7 \text{ kb} \pm$; Max. $\approx 20 \text{ kb}$;

4-10x mature RNA $\bar{X} \approx 8 \text{ Introns}$

- SnRNA ≤ 250 Nt; 5'-end with Cap-2

Rich U (named SnRNAU1—U6)

b) RNProt. (核内仅次于组蛋白的重要蛋白)

Ribose nuclear proteosome (RNP)

pre-RNA + SnRNA + > 8 proteins

核糖核蛋白体

c) Intron

--- **junction sequence** of intron with exon

高度保守，成为剪接过程重要的识别序列

人类许多重要疾病的病因

junction seq. mut. → 异常剪接 → 病症

例；地中海贫血症

1/4 Junction seq. mut. of Globin gene

→ 干扰mRNA成熟

---Introns be classified

into **I, II, III** by junction seq.

Intron I, II, III 的剪接方式不同

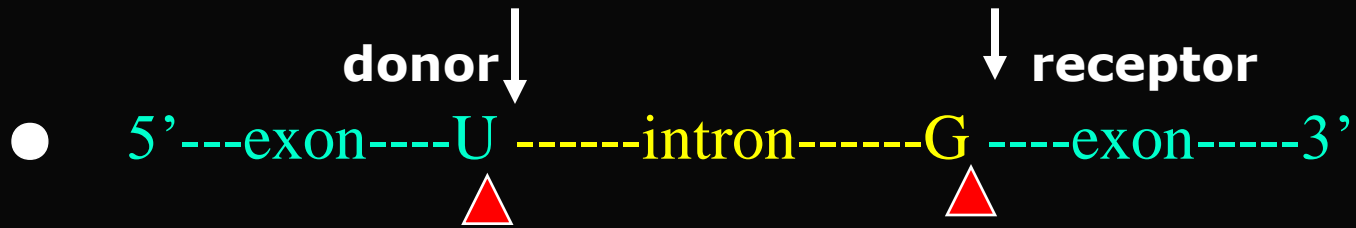
合理有效折叠，形成特定Domain，激活核酶活性
RNA剪接的共性规律
选择供点受点，转移磷酸酯键，剪切连接同步

4.4.5.2

RNA splicing models

Group I splicing model (*tetrahymera* 35s rRNA model)

Junction sequence.



高度保守，转酯反应的攻击位点

- intron 内含有4个序列保守，两两互补的CCS (central core sequence)

形成RNA分子内的二级结构



P

Q

R

S

11	17	13	16	10	12	14	13	18	11		
A	U	G	C	U	G	G	A	A	A		
U			G	A	A	A	G		U		
7			3	6	5	5	5		5		
14	10	15	11	9	10	12	17	16	10		
A	A	U	C	A	G	C	A	G	G		
U		C	U	U	C				C		
5		3	5	7	3				7		
16	16	18	10	10	19	19	18	19	16	17	
U	C	A	G	A	G	A	C	U	A	X A	
	U		A	C							
	3		6	6							
19	16	17	16	13	18	16	19	18	19	18	11
A	A	G	A	U	A	U	A	G	U	C	C
	U		G								U
			3								6

(来源: 不详)

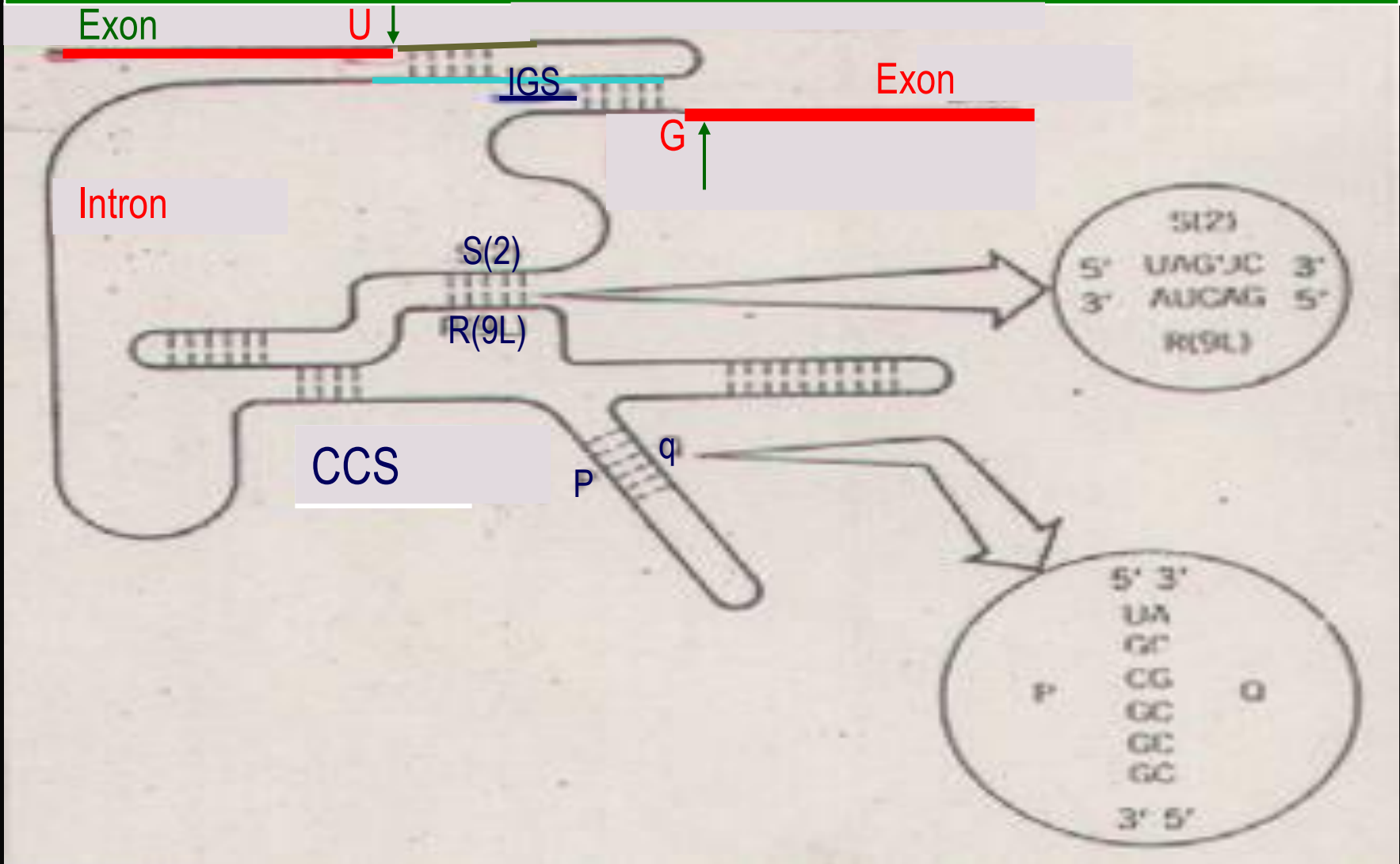
- 靠近5' junction seq.的intron内，存在一段与5', 3' 两个 junction seq. 可发生互补配对，形成二级结构的区域。

Internal guide sequence (IGS)

Splicing model

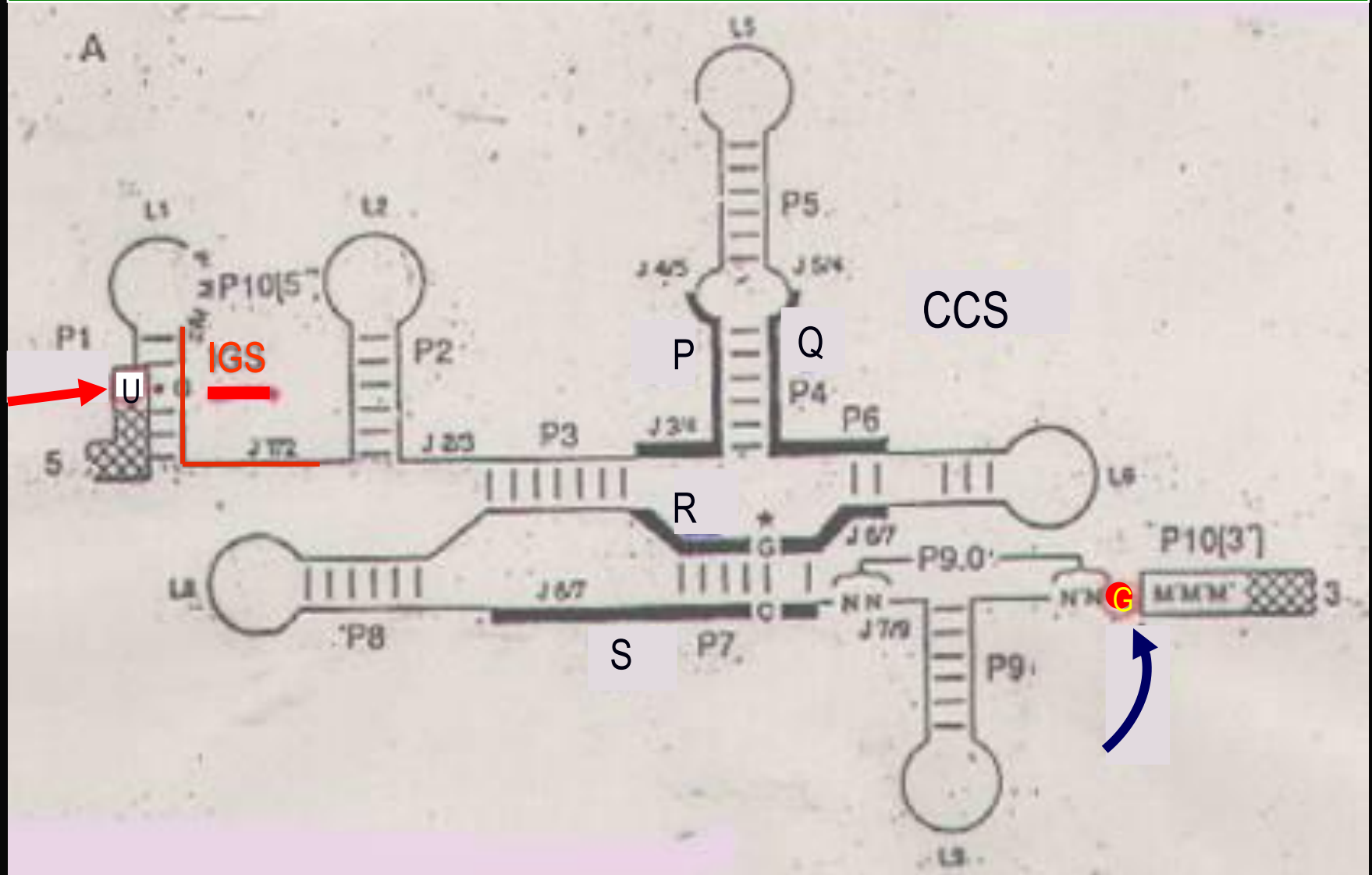
- CCS; P/Q, R/S pairing
- IGS; link two junction seq. → cut intron, ligation exons
- 3 times of trans-esterification between G & U
- RNA auto-splicing as Ribizyme

Splicing mechanism of Intron group I

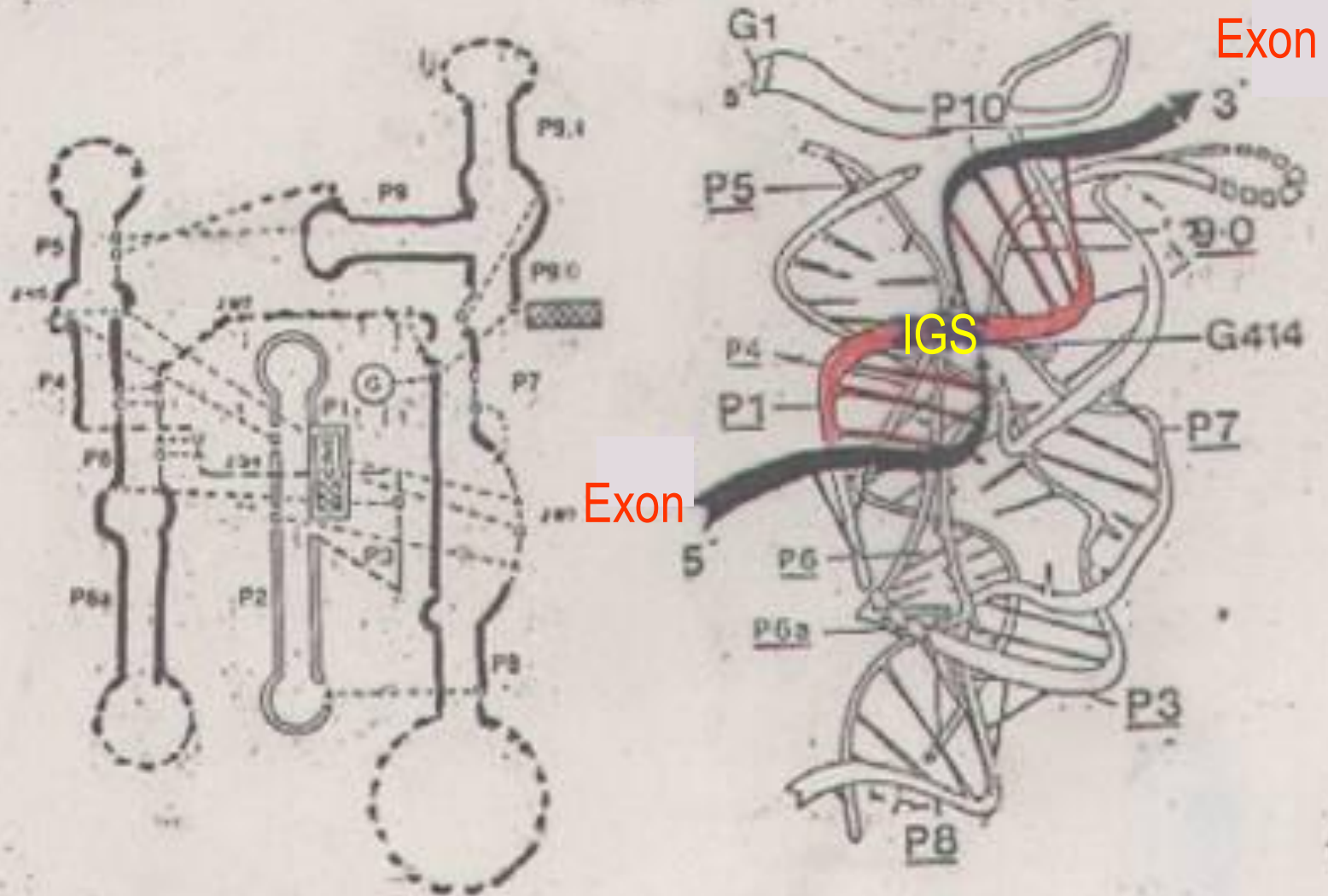


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Splicing mechanism of Intron group I



Splicing mechanism of Intron group I



RNA auto-splicing as Ribizyme

Thomas Cech Univ. of Colorado 1989 Nobel prize

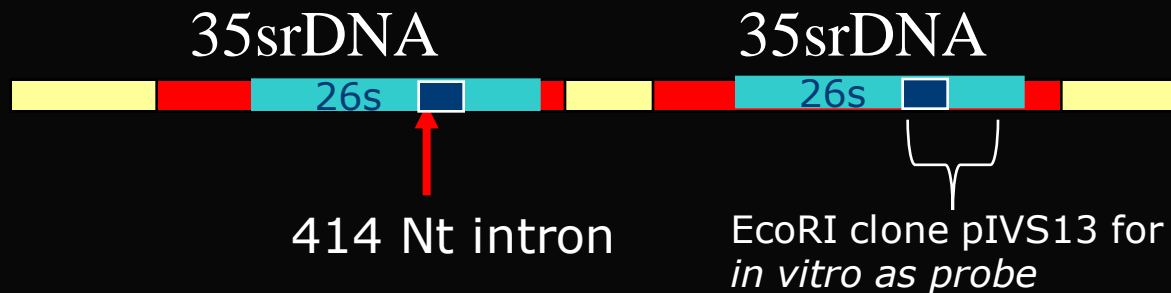


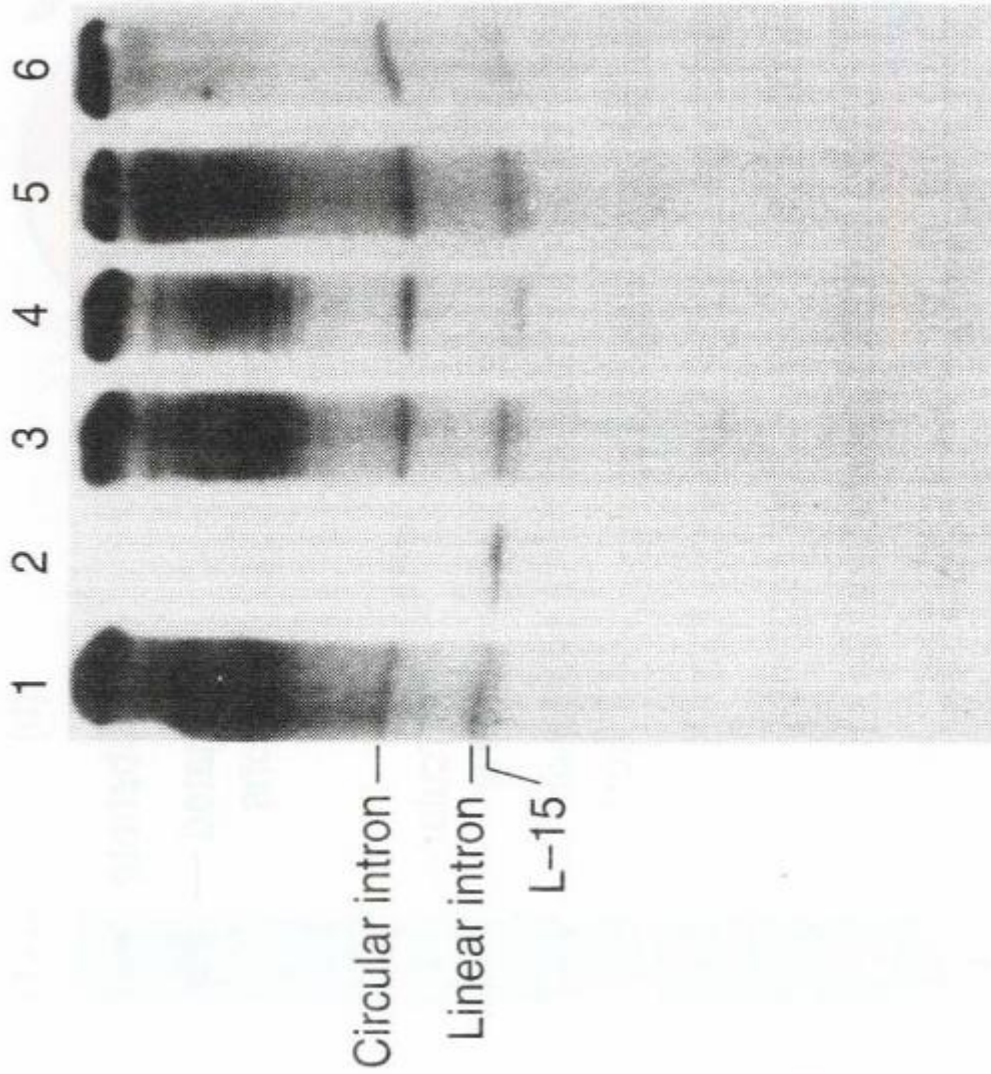
One of the most stunning discovered
in molecular biology

1981 Thomas Cech *tetrahymeno thermophila*

染色质结构对基因表达的影响

linear rDNA-dimer including two of 35s rRNA seq.





in vitro
pre-35s rRNA

↓

GTP / GDP / GMP

←

same
results

重要推测

in vitro pre-35s rRNA



GTP_{α}^{32}

414Nt intron ~ GMP^{32}



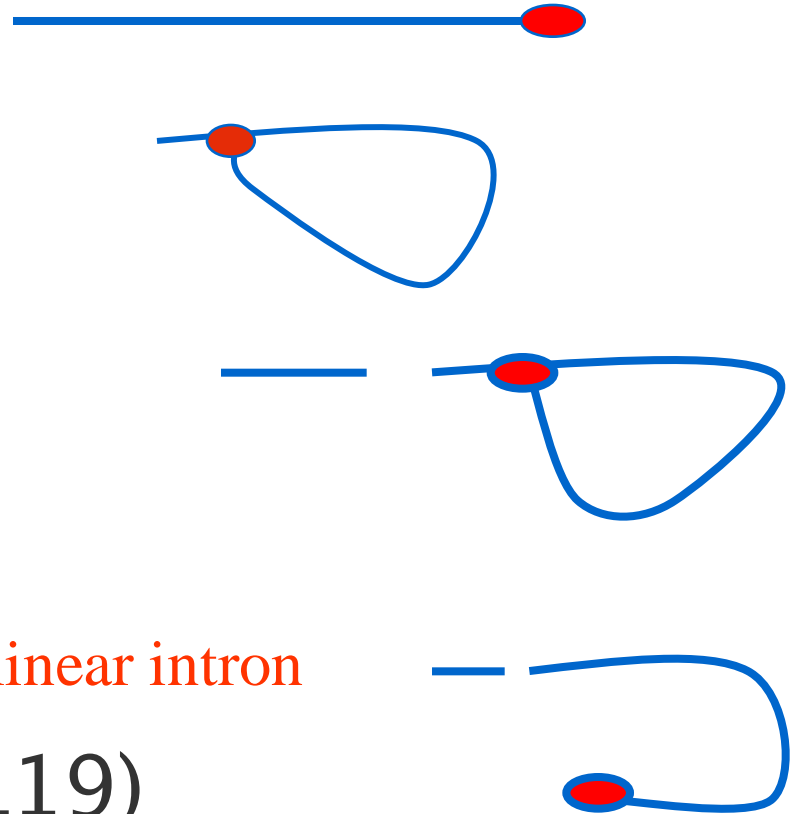
15Nt + 399Nt circle intron

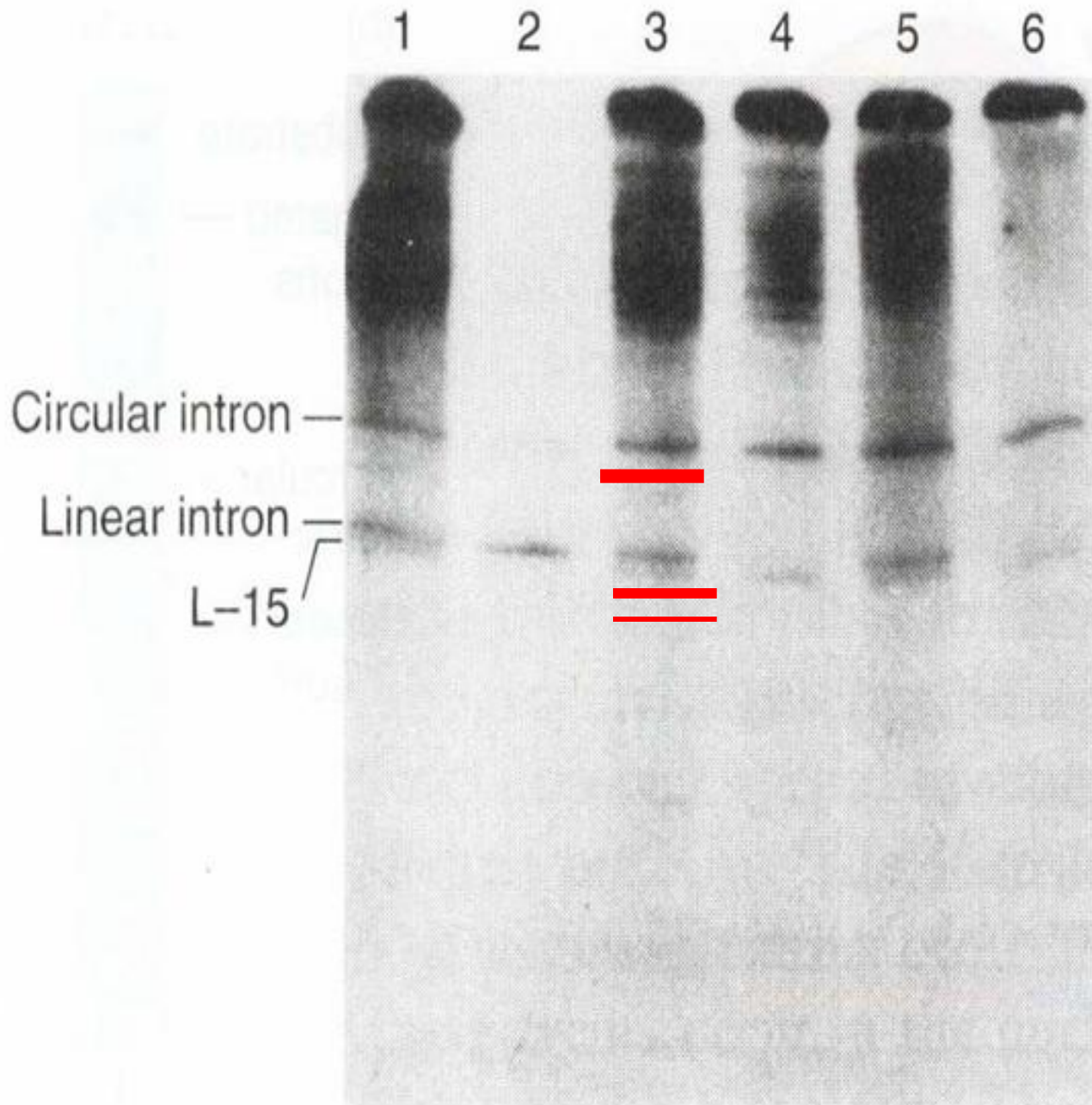


Lose 19 Nt

4Nt + 395Nt linear intron

(L19)





(Source: Inane, T., Intermolecular exon ligation of the rRNA precursor of *Tetrahymena*: Oligonucleotides can function as 5'-exons. *Cell* 43(Dec 1985)f.1a,p.432.)

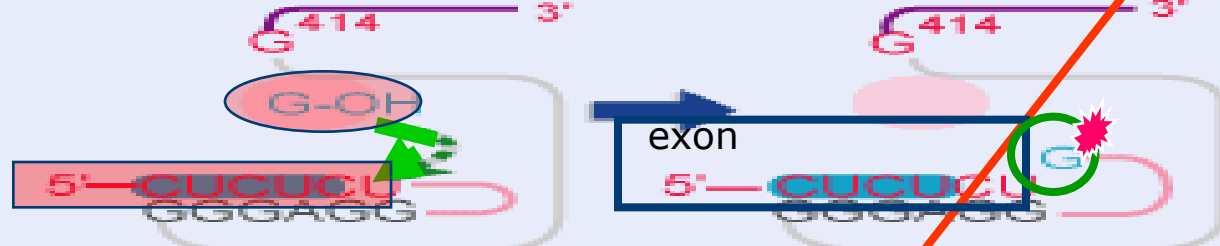
RNA catalysis uses two sites

Catalytic RNA has a guanosine-binding site and substrate-binding site

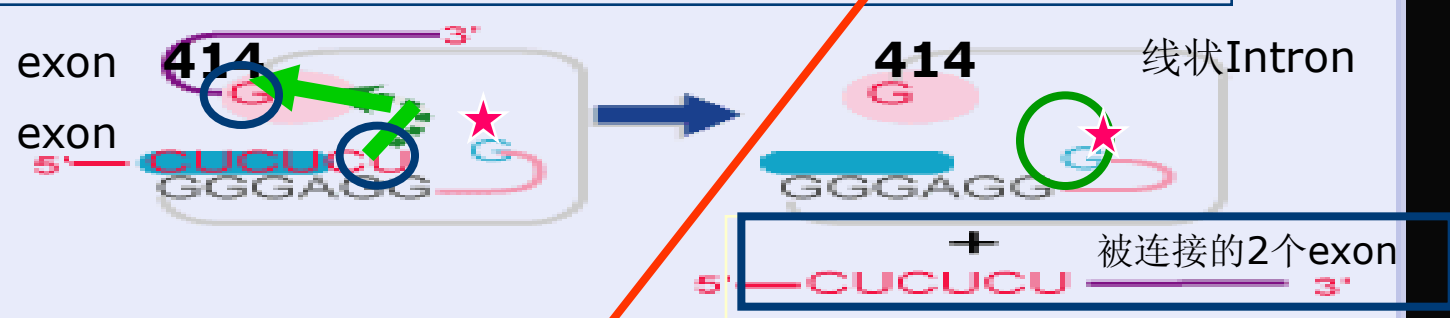
折叠形成两个位点，激活核酶



First transfer G-OH occupies G-binding site; 5' exon occupies substrate-binding site



Second transfer G⁴¹⁴ is in G-binding site; 5' exon is in substrate-binding site



Third transfer G⁴¹⁴ is in G-binding site; 5' end of intron is in substrate-binding site



L19 (15+4) intron

(来源：分子生物学 (2007)，郑用珺，第30页)

以上结果表明；

- GMP通过转酯（trans-esterification）方式

—————> 进入Intron

- Intron 的剪接经过3次转酯反应

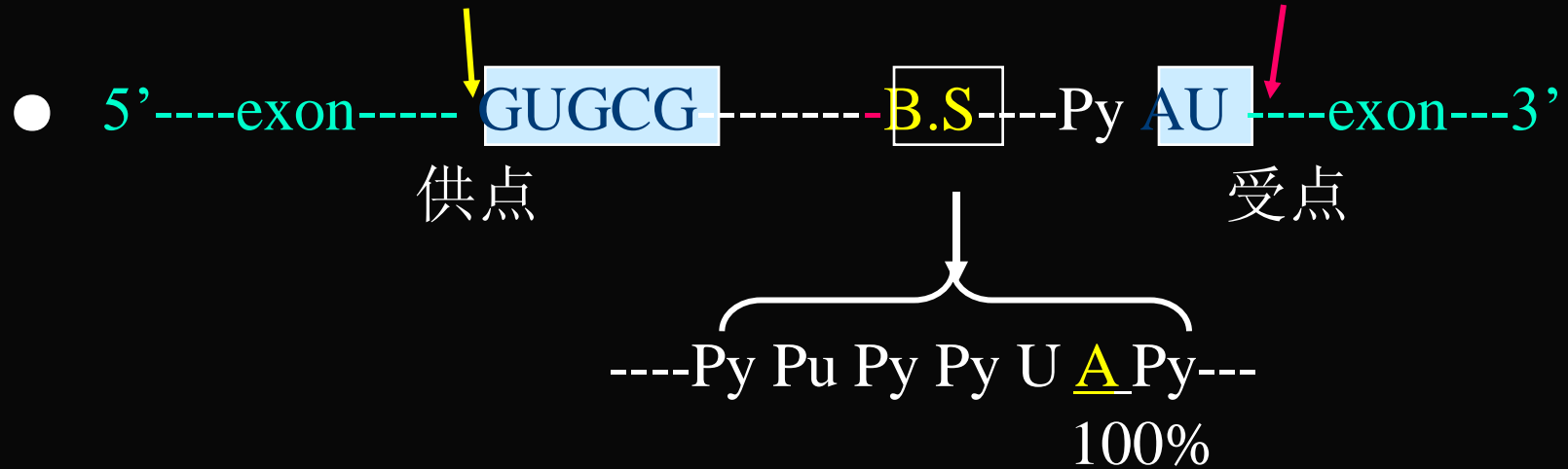
1th —————> 将P³²G插入到RNA中

2^{ed} —————> 剪出414Nt的Intran，连接Exon

3rd —————> 15+399Nt（Lose 15）

c) Group II splicing model (Michel 1982)

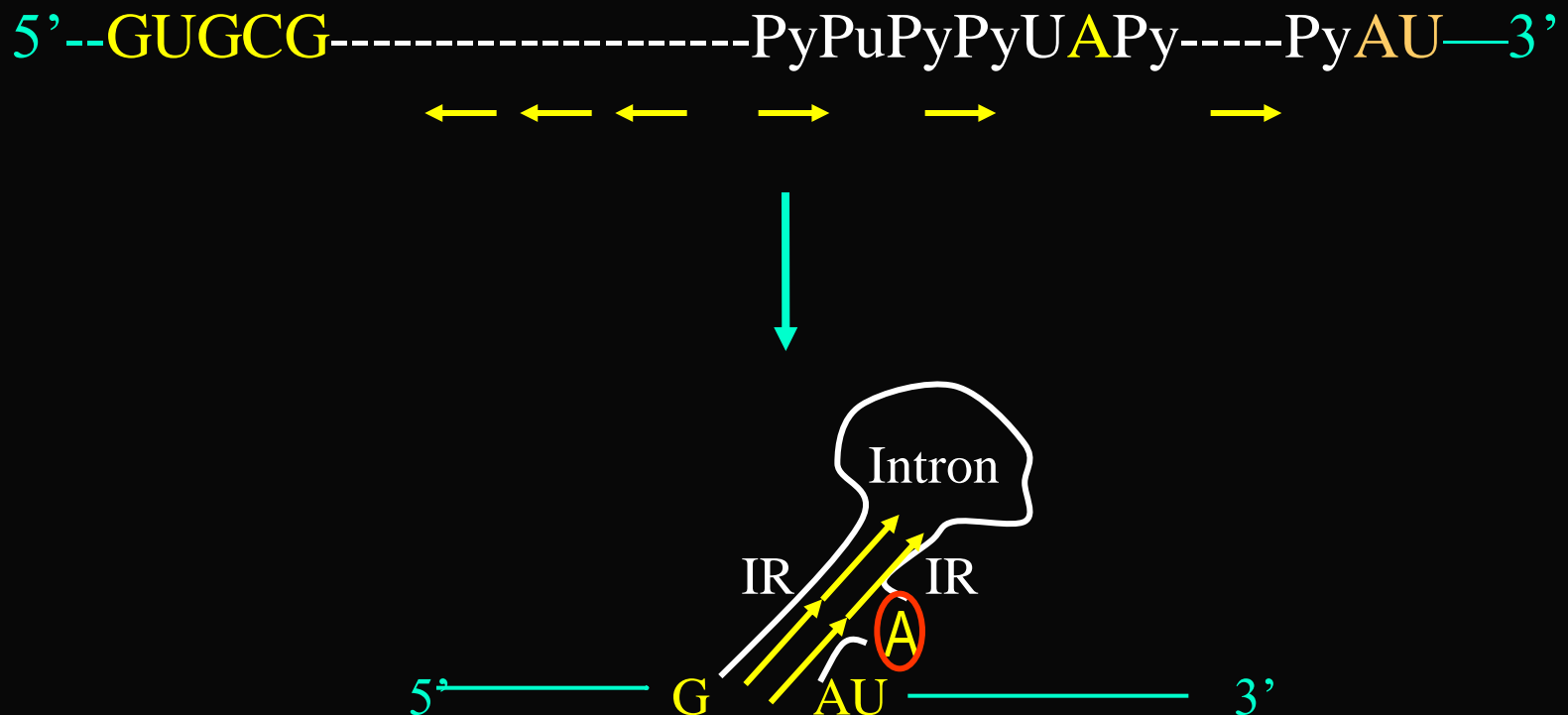
Junction sequence



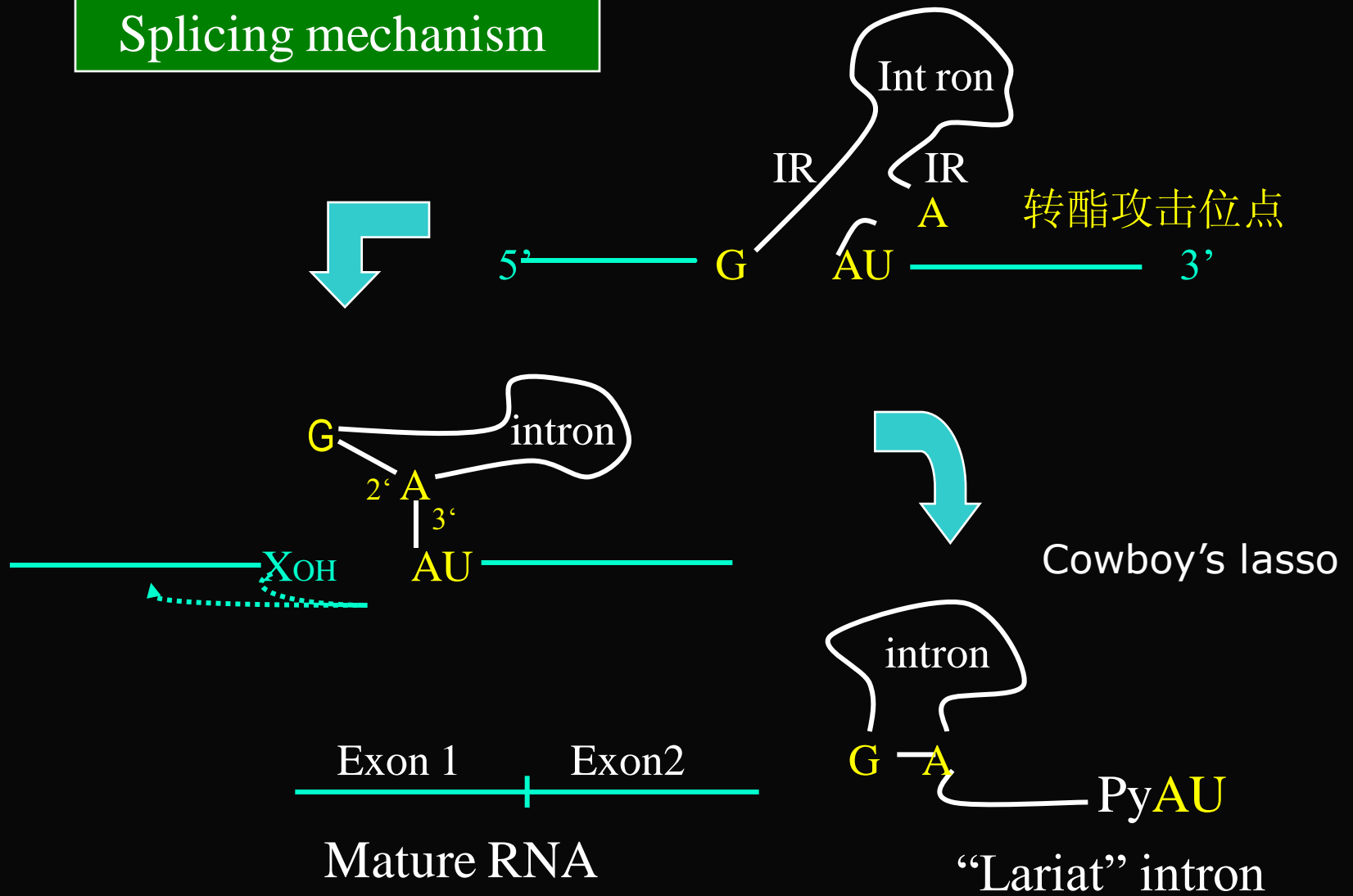
Branch Site of 7Nt

upstream of 3'-junction seq.

- 在Branch Site 的两侧存在一些短的序列，与其上游互成 IR,形成茎环结构(但A不包含在IR序列内,从而被排除成芽状突起)

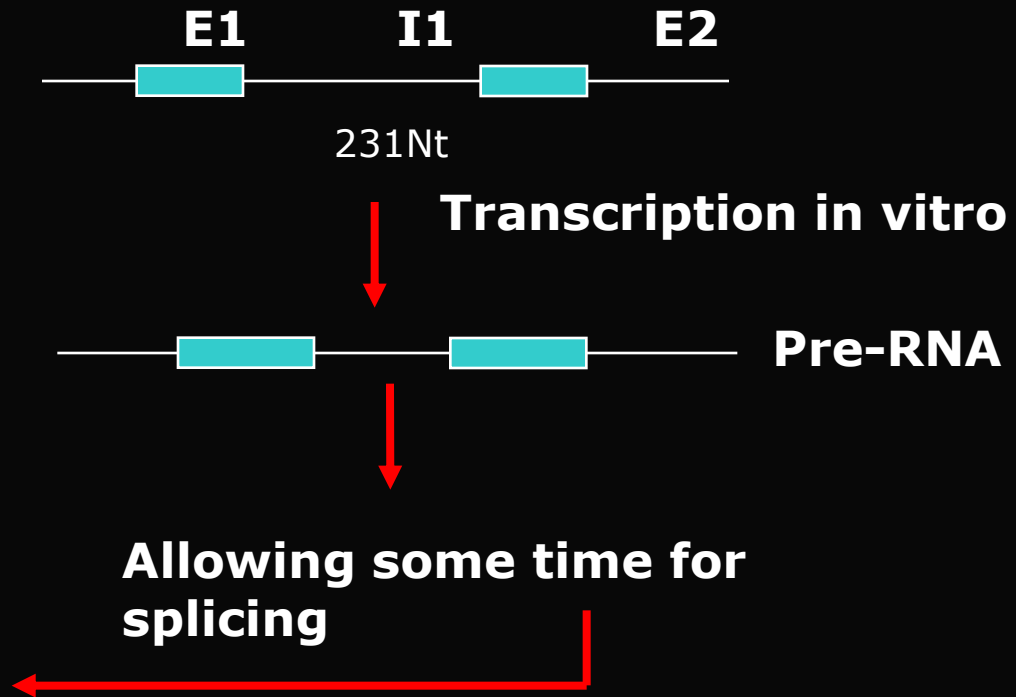
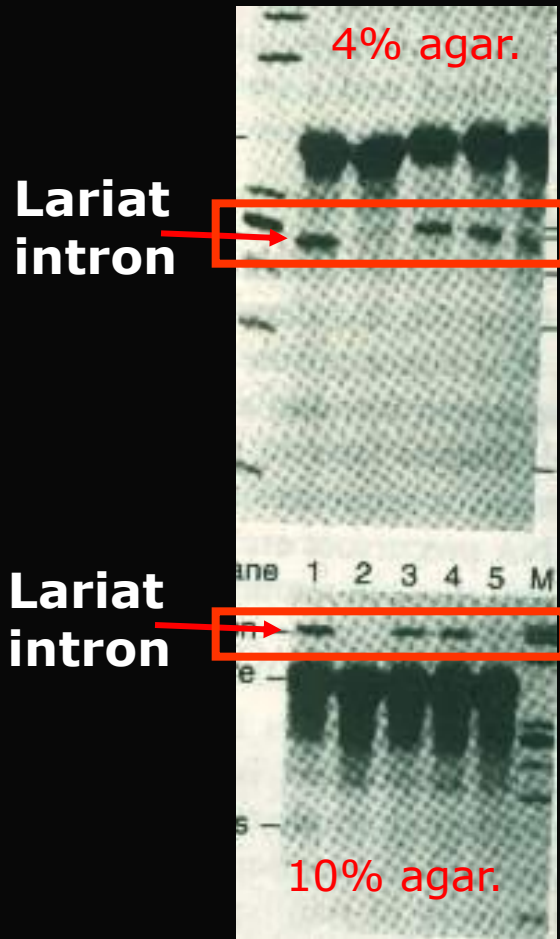


Splicing mechanism



Evidence for the Lariat intermediate

1984 Sharp

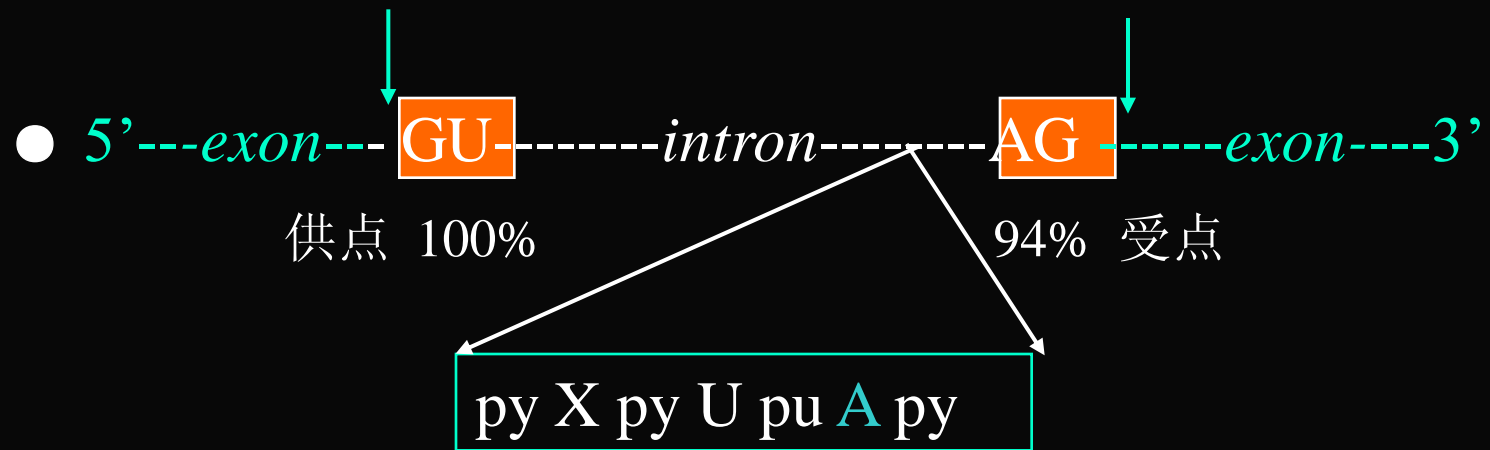


(来源：分子生物学（2007），郑用珺，第166页)

d) Group III splicing model (Chambon)

Junction sequence

Chambon rule



- 7Nt branch site in upstream of 3' junction seq.

- Intron与 Exon的连接处 存在部分同源的 consensus seq.

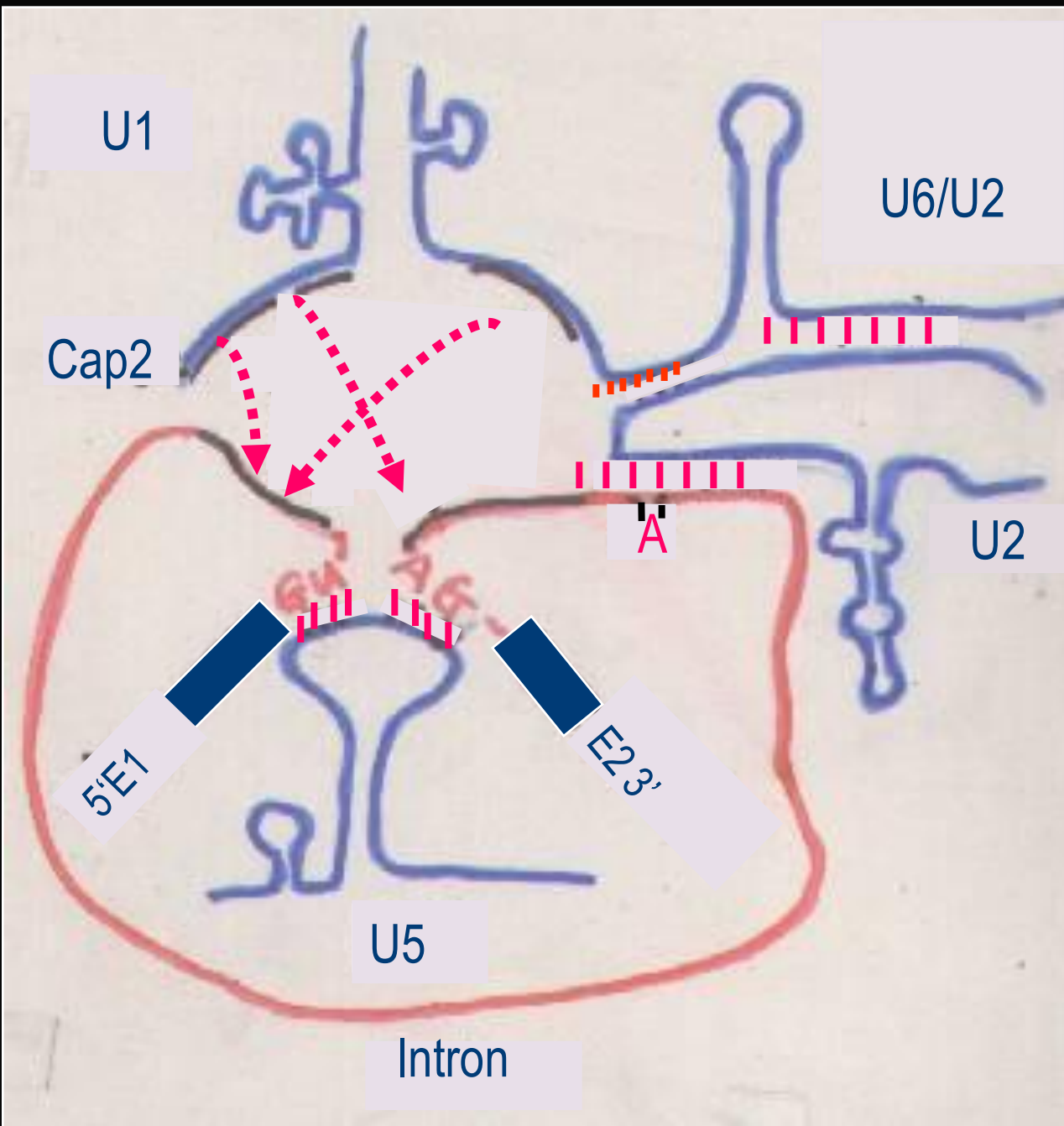
Ovalbumin mRNA (6 Intron, 7 Exon)

5' ---E1---AAUAGGGUGA-----I1-----UACAGGGUUG---E2--
 ---E2--CUCAGGUACA-----I2-----UCAGGUUG---E3--
 ---E3-----CCAGUAA-----I3-----UACAGGGAA-----E4--
 ---E4-----AUGGUAA-----I4-----AAAGGU-----E5--
 ---E5-----GAGGUAUAU---I5-----CCAGCAA-----E6--
 ---E6---GCAGGUAUGG---I6-----GCAGCUU-----E7---3'

Chambon rule (GU/AG model)

Splicing mechanism (Sharp. P.A. Cell. 1994. 77; p805-815)

- SnRNA (or ScRNA) 与junction seq or Branch site间存在互补区域并参与剪接, 形成 spliceosome。
- Spliceosome 逐级组装, SnRNA 分步替代
- RNProt.在spliceosome中, 参与转酯, 剪接反应



- SnRNA U1 ~ 5', 3' consensus seq of intron
- SnRNA U2 ~ Branch Site (其中A为转酯攻击位点)
- SnRNA U6 ~ 5' consensus seq. of intron
- SnRNA U6 ~ U4 → SnRNA U6 ~ U2 稳定 spliceosome
- SnRNA U5 与 5'~GU & 3'~AG 配对, 以连接 exons
- Set of SR protein (rich Ser & Arg)

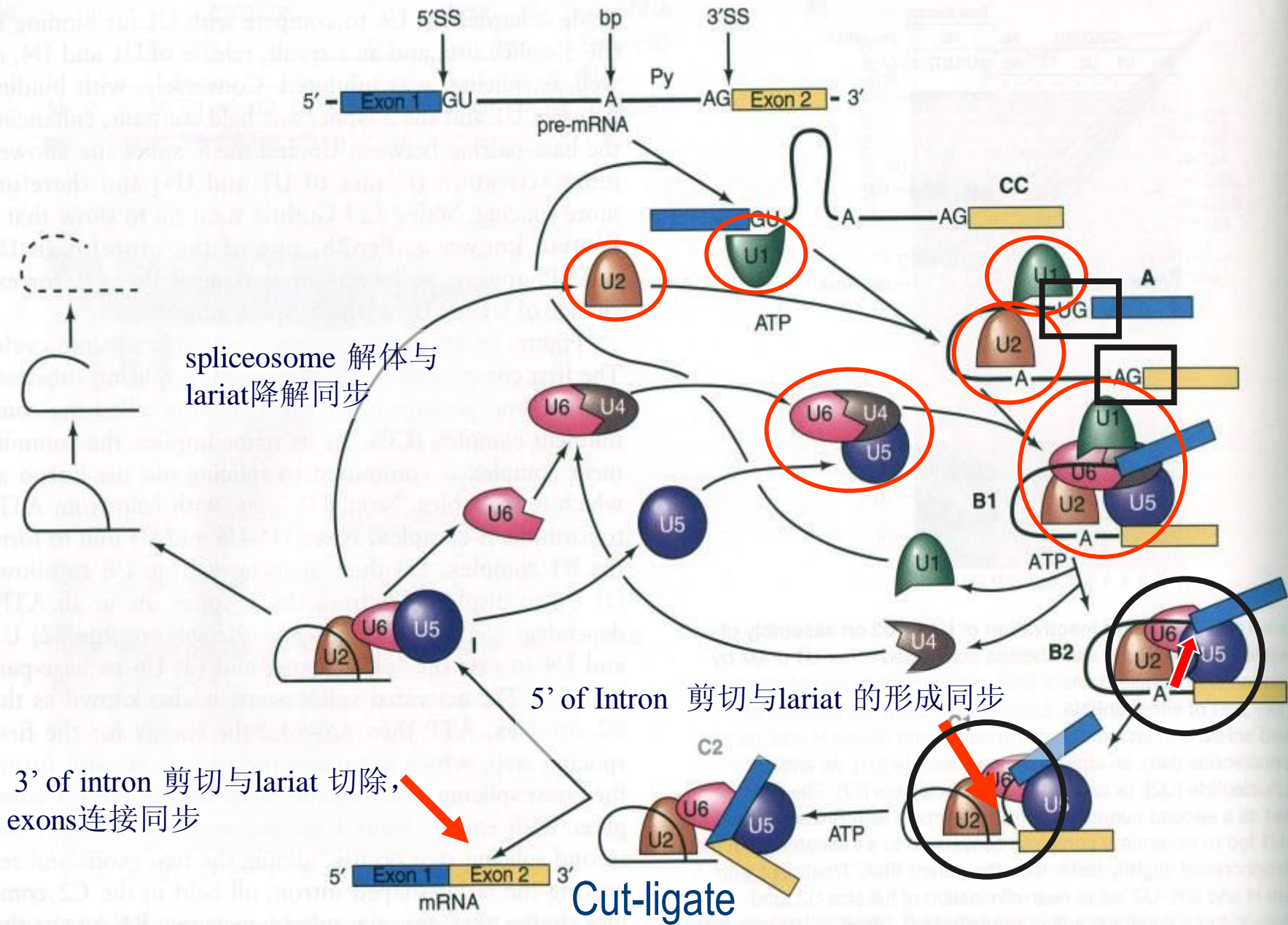
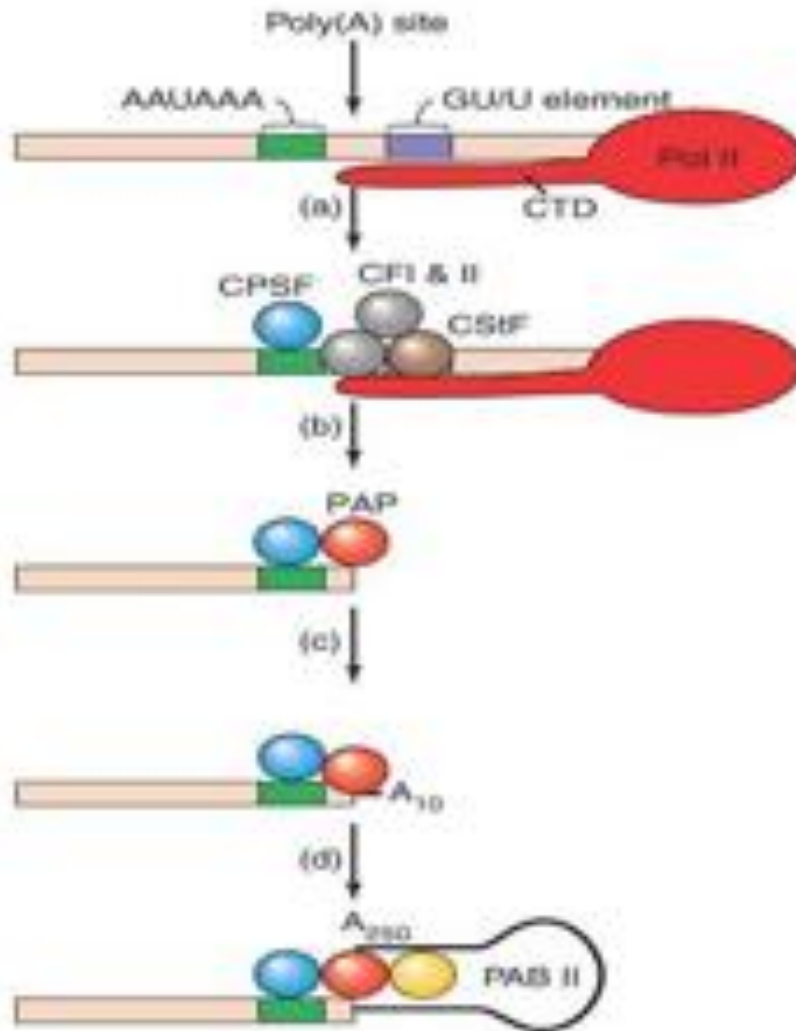


Figure 14-29 The spliceosome cycle. The text gives a description of the events in the cycle. (Source: After Sharp, Cell 77:811, 1994. Copyright 1994 C)



(Source: Molecular Biology(2002), Robert F. Weaver, Page 462)

转录与加工几乎同时进行
 (转录后的修饰?!)
 转录速度愈快
 加工效率愈低

所有加工过程的核心元件
 (unifying element) 是:
 RNAPol II -Rpb 1- CTD
 (carboxyl-terminal domain) ,

加帽、剪接和多聚腺苷酸化的
 酶都直接与CTD结合,
 CTD为这三个加工事件提供
 了一个平台。

e) 剪接的调控 (group III)

- 对供点或受点的选择 → 剪接的准确与否
- 对受点序列的选择 $\text{CAG} = \text{UAG} > \text{AAG} > \text{GAG}$
- 剪接类型;

组成型剪接 (constitutive splicing)

cutting each intron in one by one

选择型剪接 (alternative splicing)

create isoform protein

>5% gene in mammal

个体发育, 细胞分化

**Alternative splicing can
have profound biological
effects**

**Perhaps the best example
is**

**the Sex-determination
system in Drosophila**

- 果蝇性别的发育与性染色体和常染色体的比例相关

$XX / AA = 1$ 发育成雌性果蝇

$XY / AA = 0.5$ 发育成雄性果蝇

这种调控关系在胚胎发育早期就已确定，并保留记忆于体细胞中

- 3个关键基因参与果蝇的性别决定

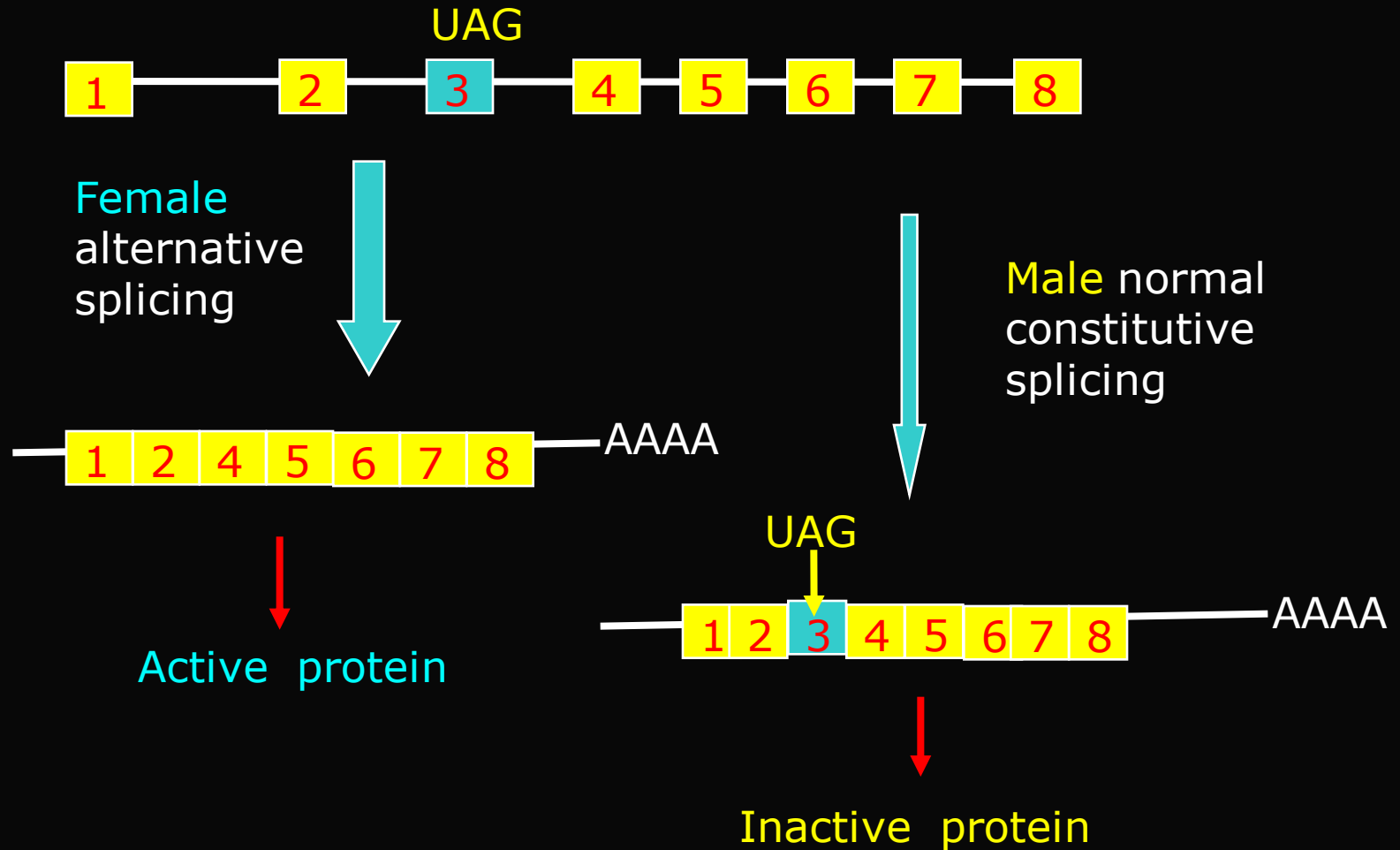
sxl (性致死基因)

tra (转化基因)

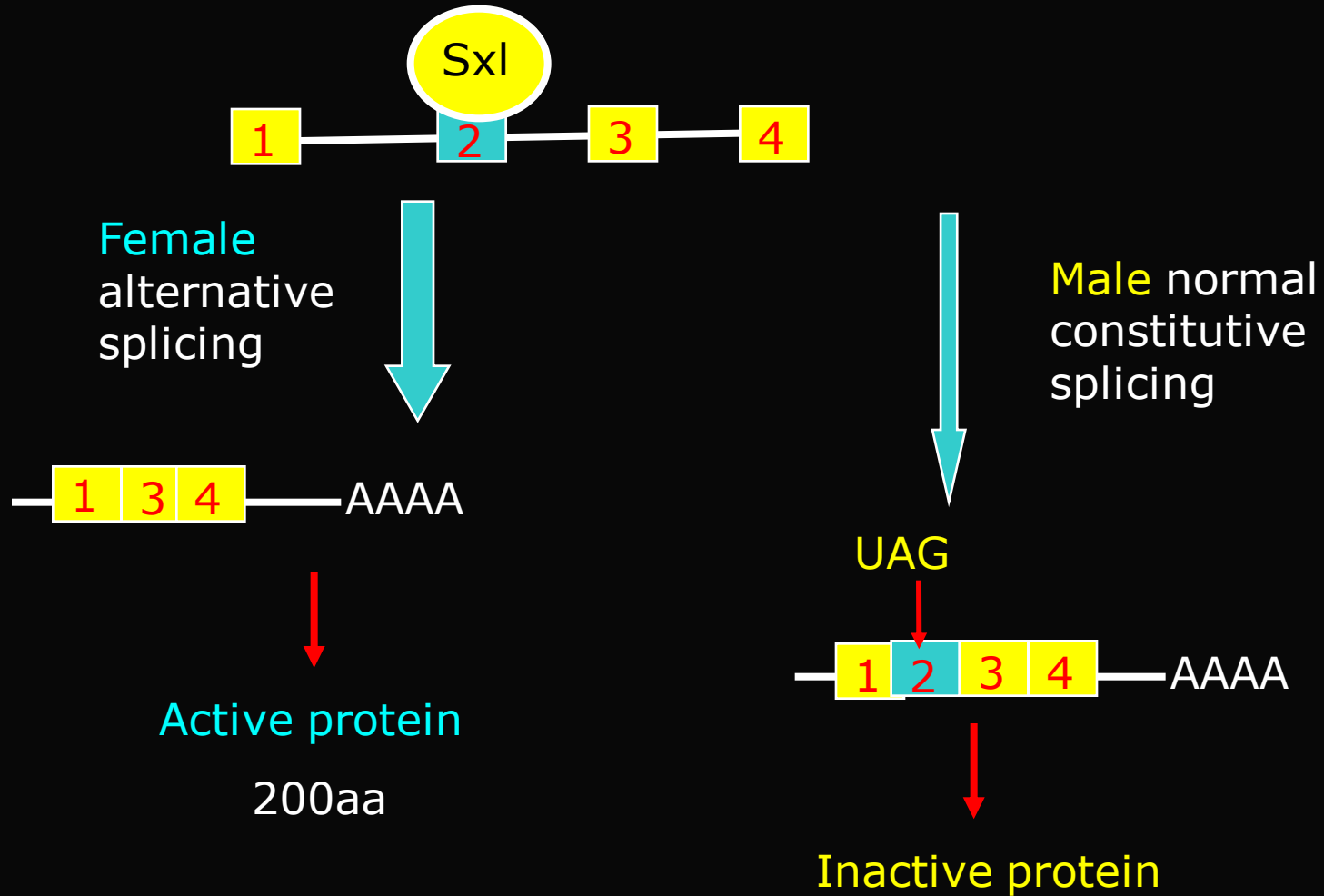
dsx (两性基因) $DSX^M-p \rightarrow \♂$
 $DSX^F-p \rightarrow \text{♀}$

参与性别调控的细胞记忆形成依赖选择性剪接的级连调控

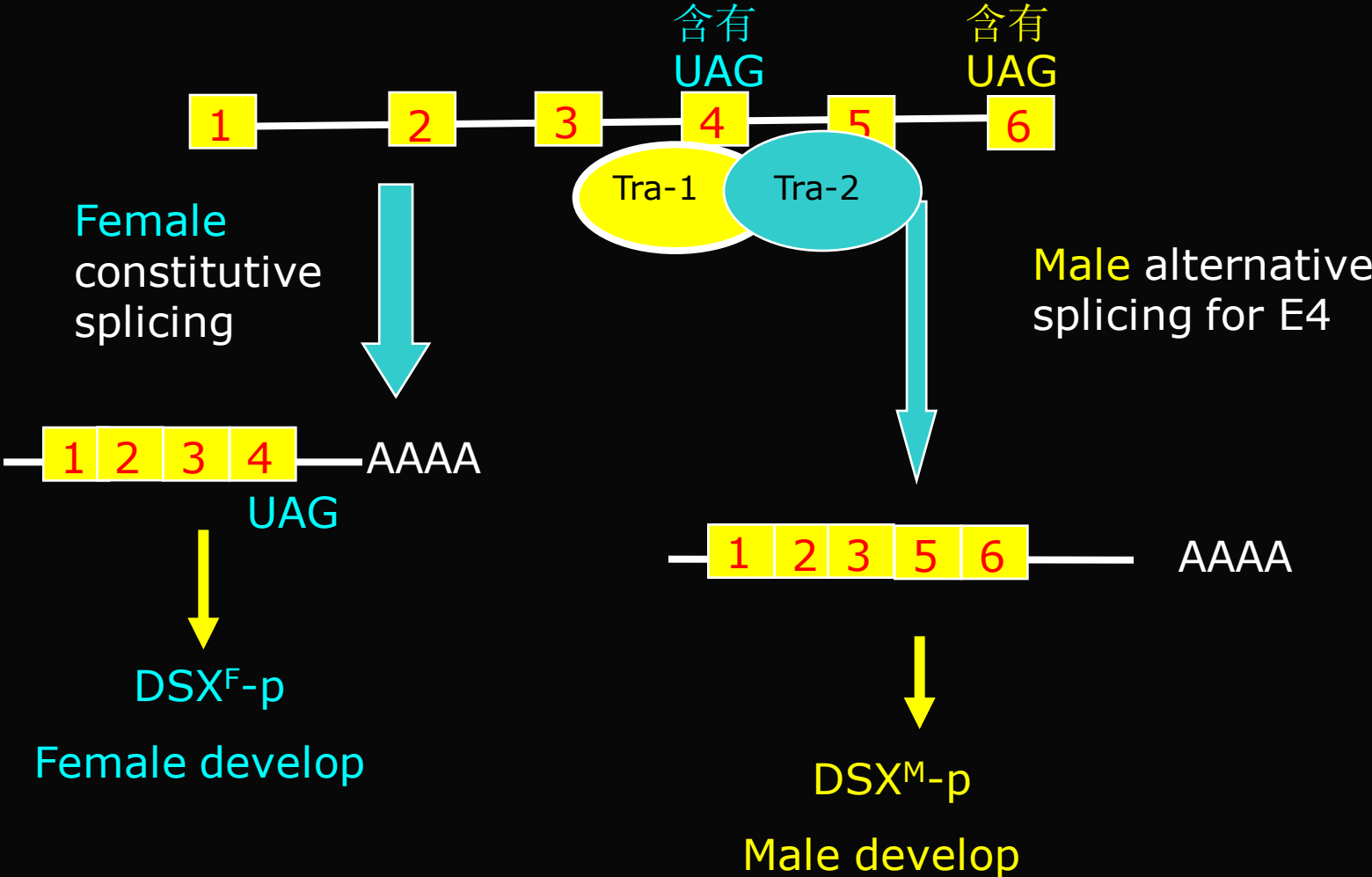
Sxl Sex lethal (8 EXON)



Tra Transformer (4 EXON)



dsx double sex (6EXON)



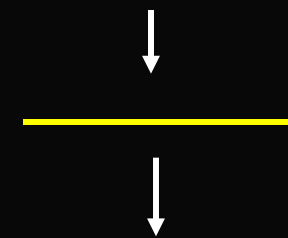
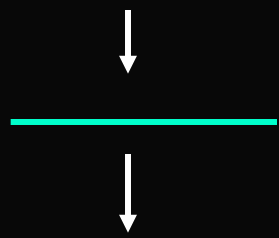
When $X/AA = 0.5$



sxl gene

tra gene

Pre-mRNA
组成型剪接



无活性蛋白



（带有stop codon 的exon 保留）

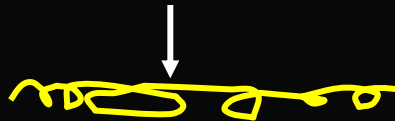


pre-mRNA
择型剪接

选 dsx gene



DSX^M-p

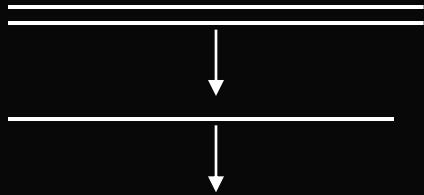


关闭与 ♀ 性发育有关的基因

when $XX/AA = 1$



sxl gene (在胚胎向雌性分化的途径中被短暂激活)



pre-mRNA 选择性剪接, E3 被切除

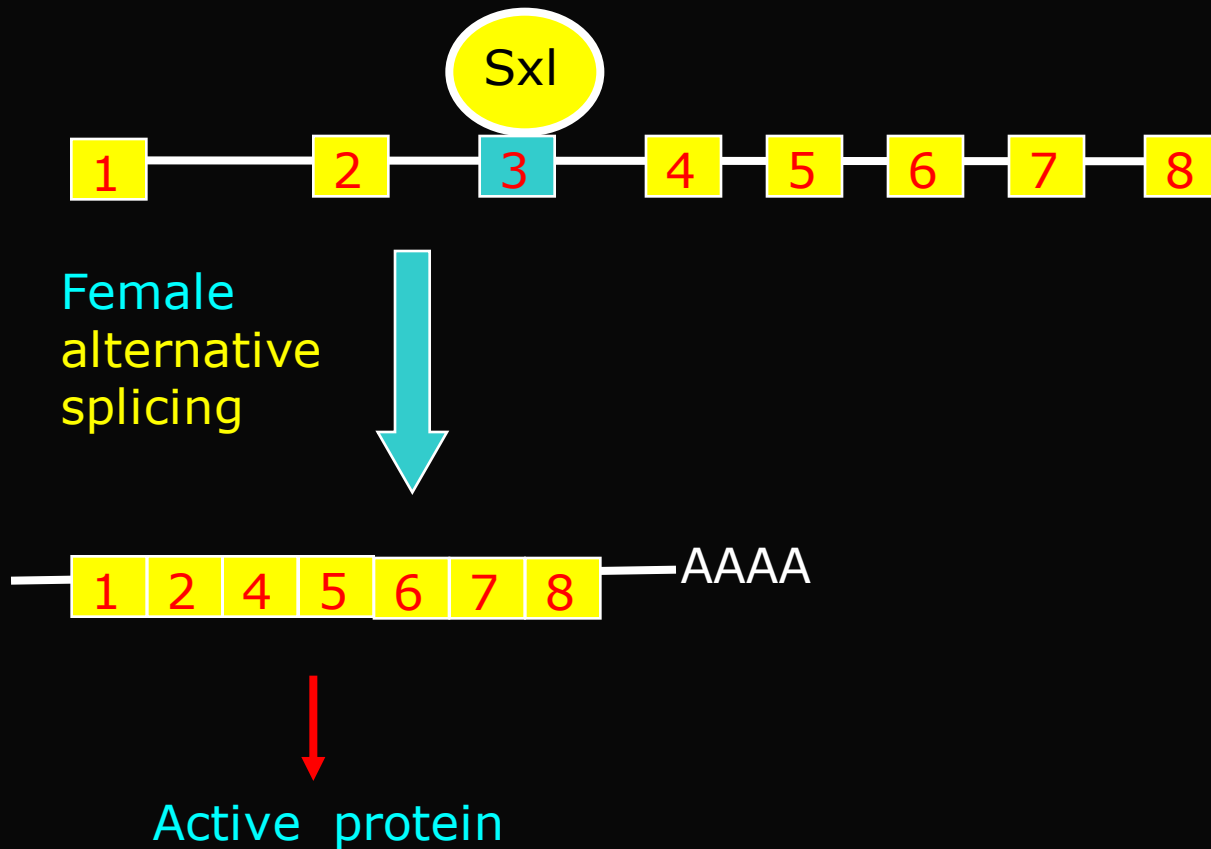


active Sxl-protein with bi-functions

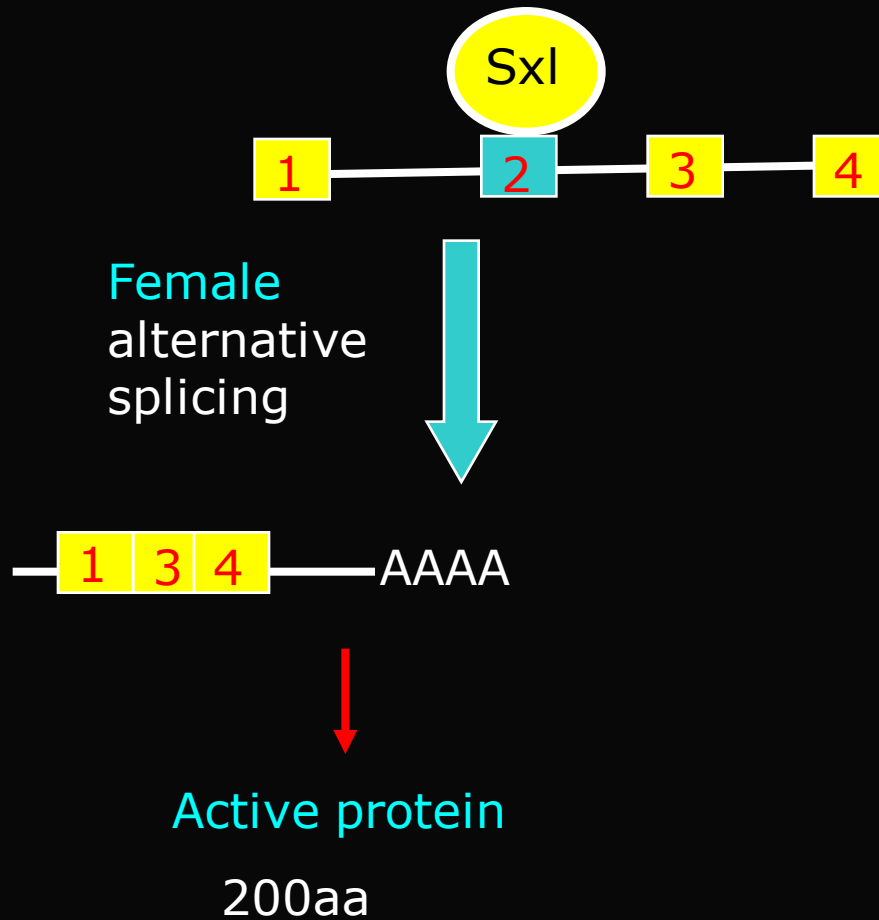
- binding at E3 site of sxl pre-mRNA
阻止组成性剪接, 完成选择性剪接
持续产生 Sxl-protein (RNP-CS, 具有负控制 阻止组成性剪接)
- binding at Tra pre-mRNA
阻止组成性剪接, 完成选择性剪接
产生 active Tra-protein(RNP-CS) + 另一Tra 2-protein
正控激活 dsx pre-mRNA 组成性剪接为 DSX^F -p, 关闭 ♂ 基因



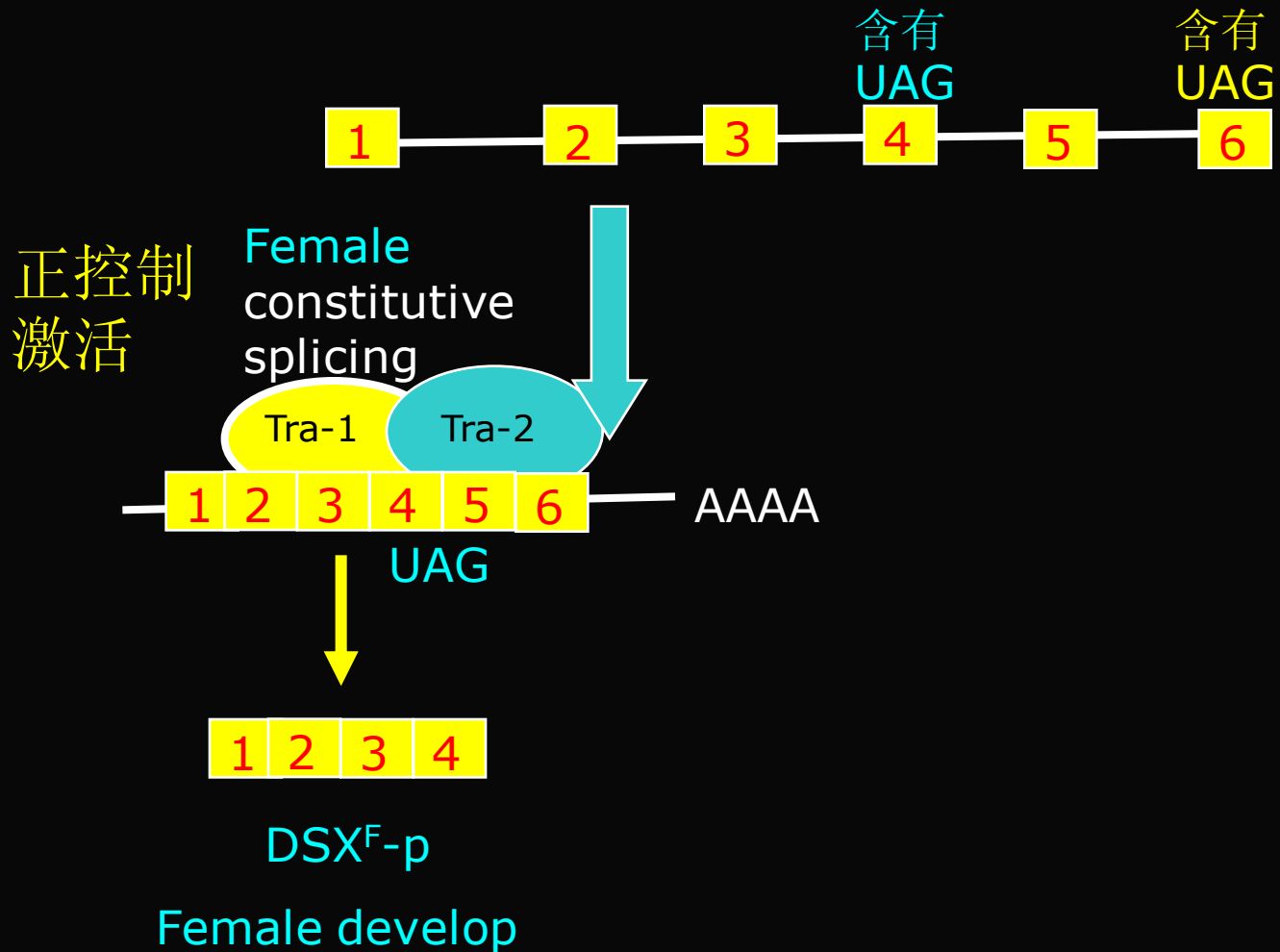
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Tra Transformer (4 EXON)

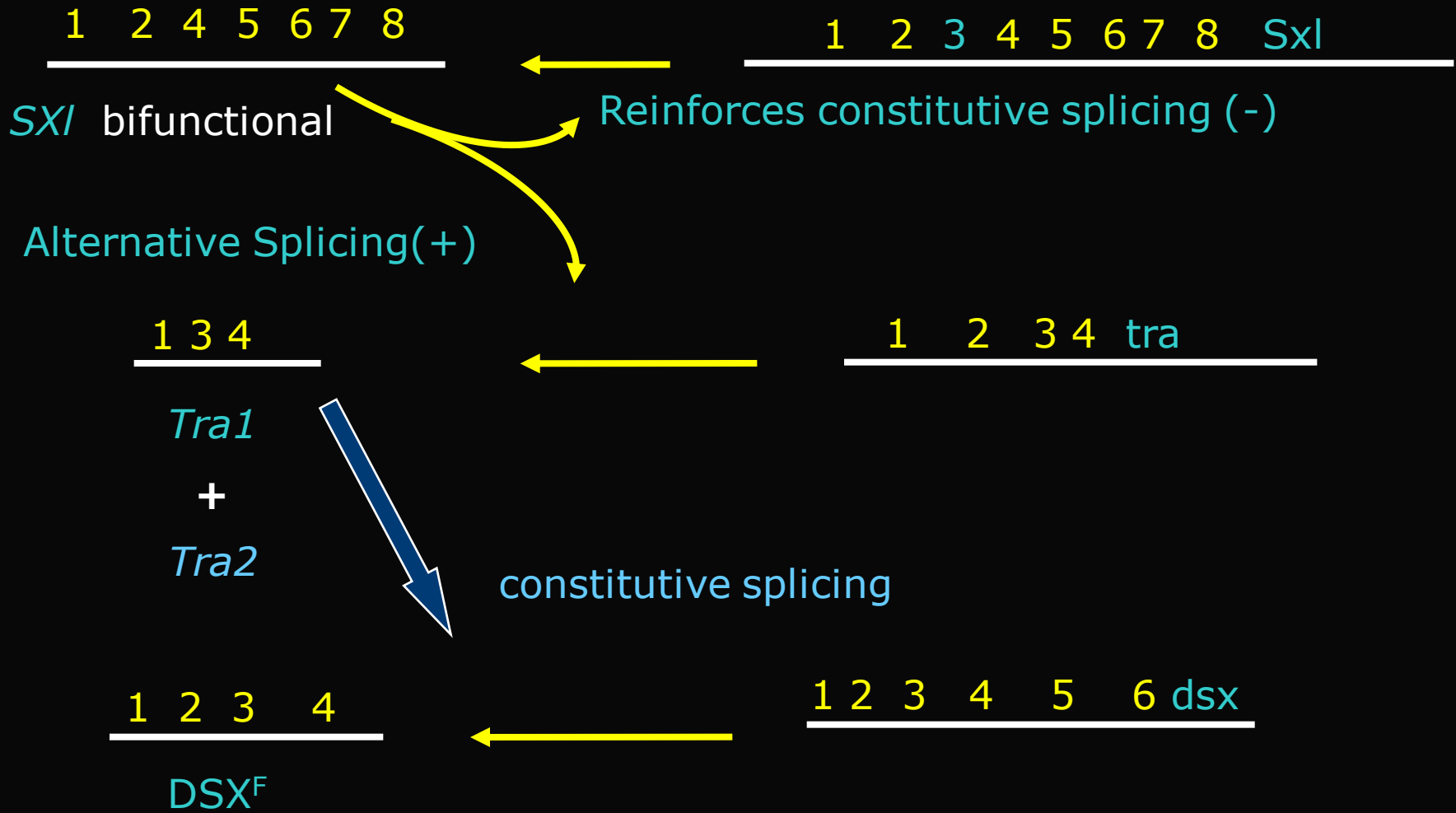


dsx double sex (6EXON)



in Female

Alternative splicing



f) 反式剪接 (trans-splicing)

cis-splicing

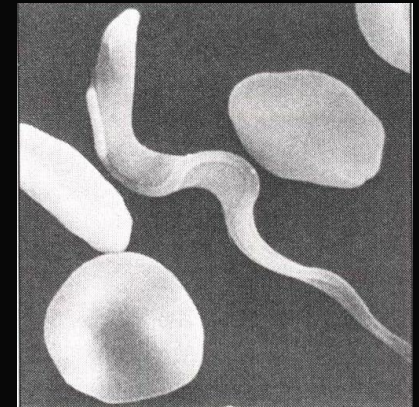
tans-splicing

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| ● 以一条pre-RNA 为底物 | 以两条不同来源的pre-RNA 为底物 |
| ● 在spliceosome中完成 | 在spliceosome中完成 |
| ● 组成型剪接
选择性剪接
对供点或受点的
识别差异 | 在成熟RNA的leading sequence中
拼接一外来的mini-exon
发生在两条 pre-RNA间的选择
性剪接 |
| ● lariat intron | Y- intron |
-

反式剪接的发现与证实

锥虫 (**trypanosome**)

可变表面糖蛋白 (VSG) 基因 (Van de Ploeg 1982)



(Source: Donelson J.E., How the trypanosome changes its coat. Scientific American 45(Feb 1985).)

- mature mRNA



- 锥虫中几乎所有mRNA的5'-end

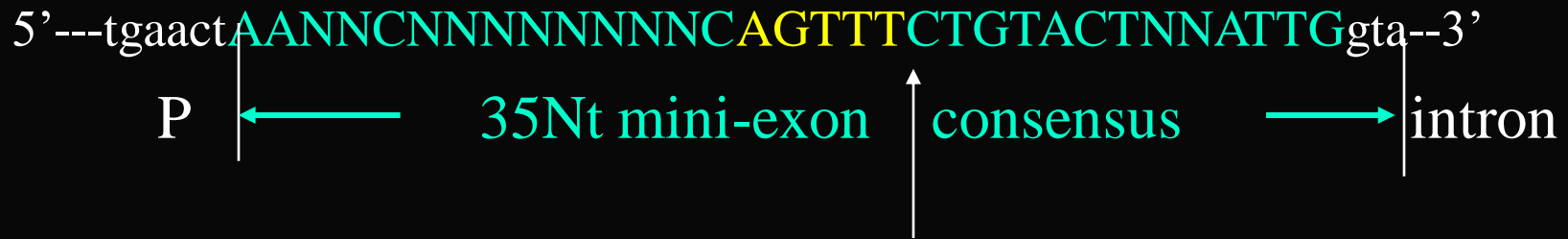
均有相同的 35Nt seq.

(spliced lead or mini-exon)

- 锥虫genome中发现

包含有35Nt seq.在内的135Nt的重复序列

(约200个拷贝)



- 病毒

线虫

植物 (mt, ct)

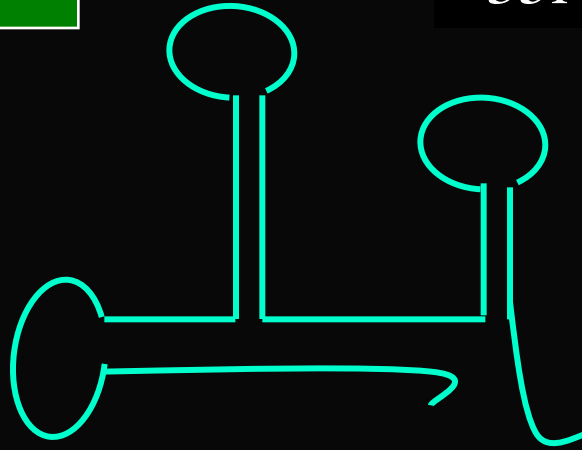
人体

High
conservative

均有发现

trans-splicing 的机制

35Nt SL 3 stem-loop



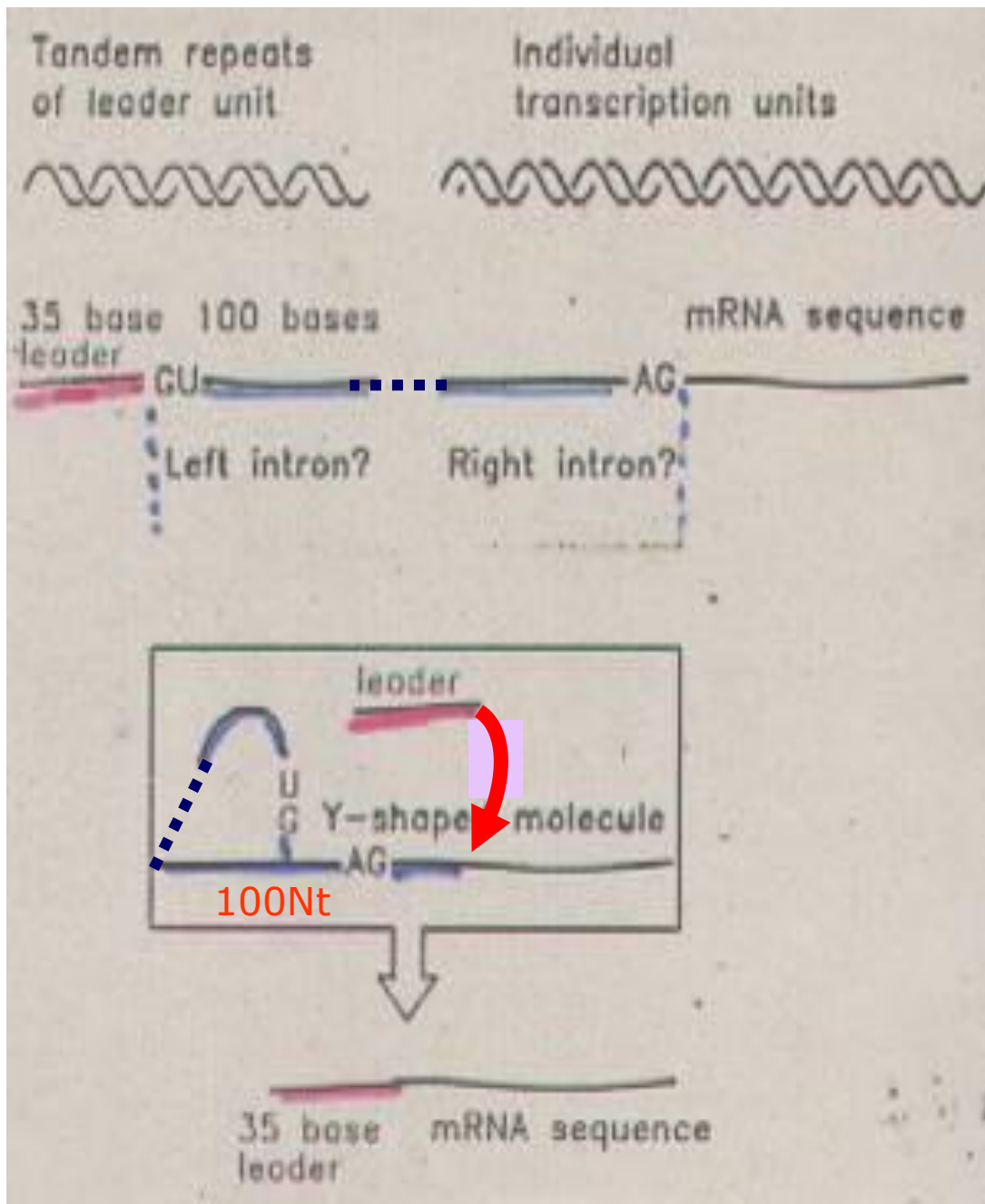
- Splicing Model

--- Group III pre-mRNA中AUG上游 (lead seq.) 30-70Nt

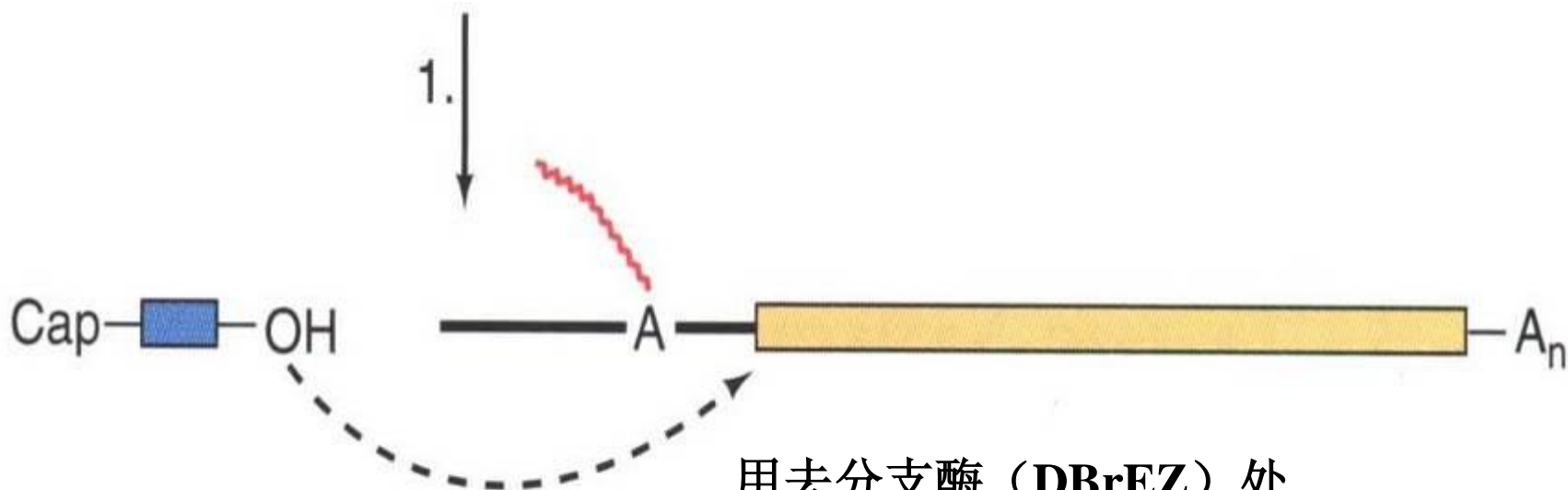
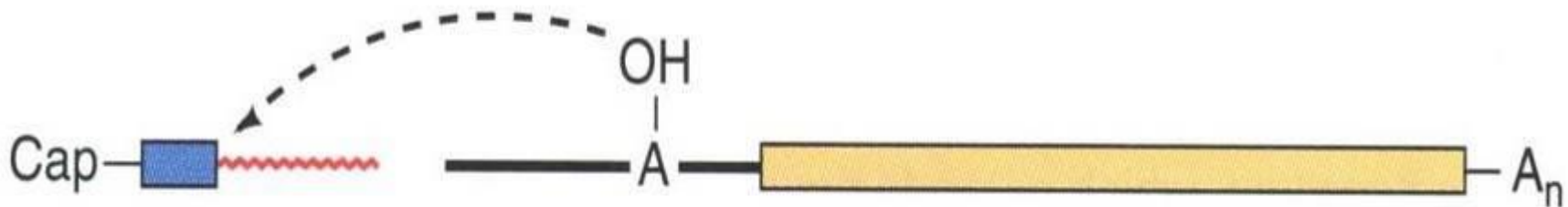
存在通用方式剪接的受点 (5'AG)

→ 与 SL 中GU供点以2', 5'磷酸酯键连接

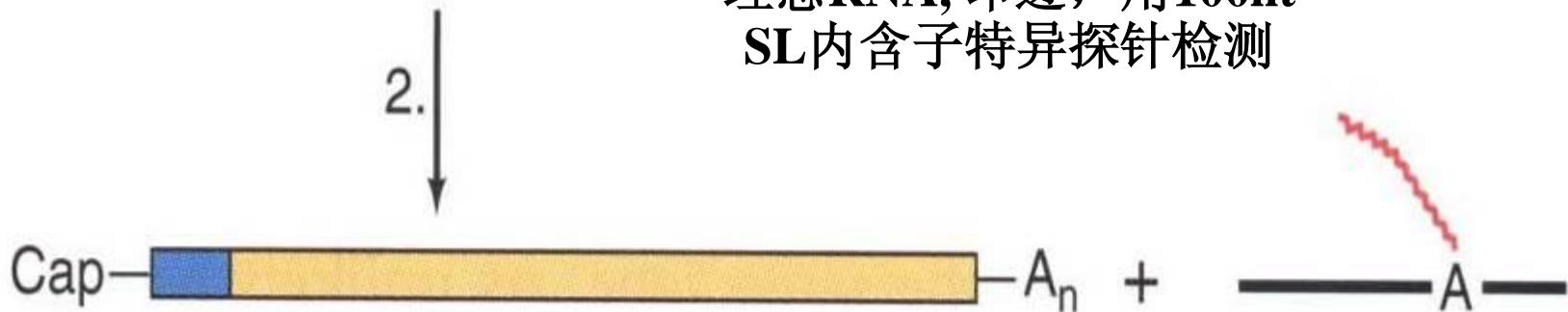
→ 形成Y-intron

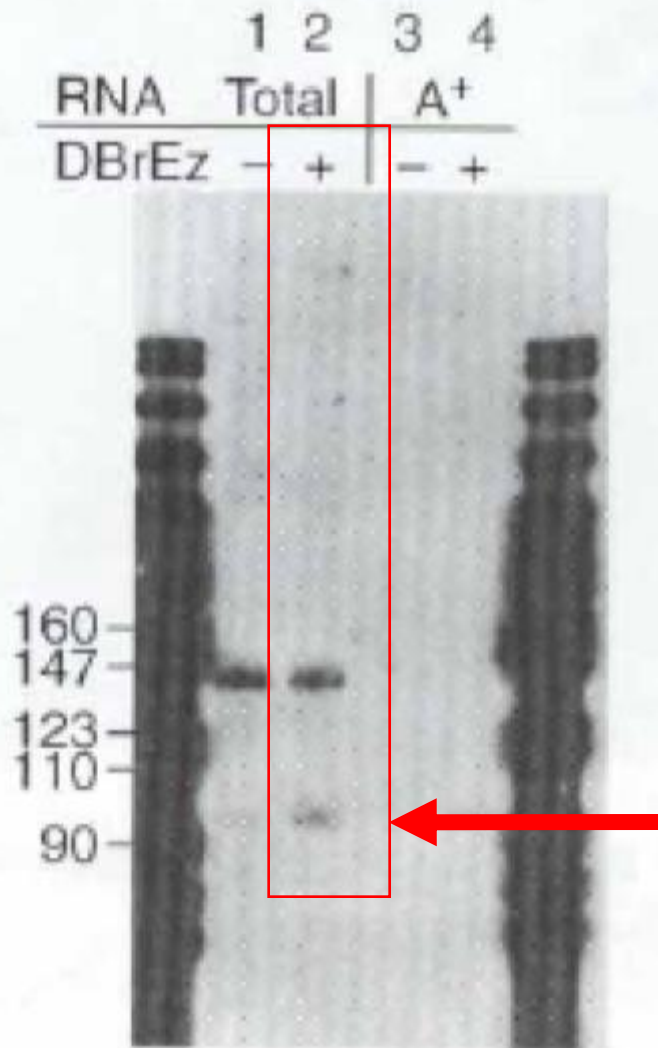


用去分支酶
(DBrEZ)
处理总RNA,
印迹, 用
100nt SL内含
子特异探针
检测



用去分支酶 (DBrEZ) 处理总RNA, 印迹, 用100nt SL内含子特异探针检测

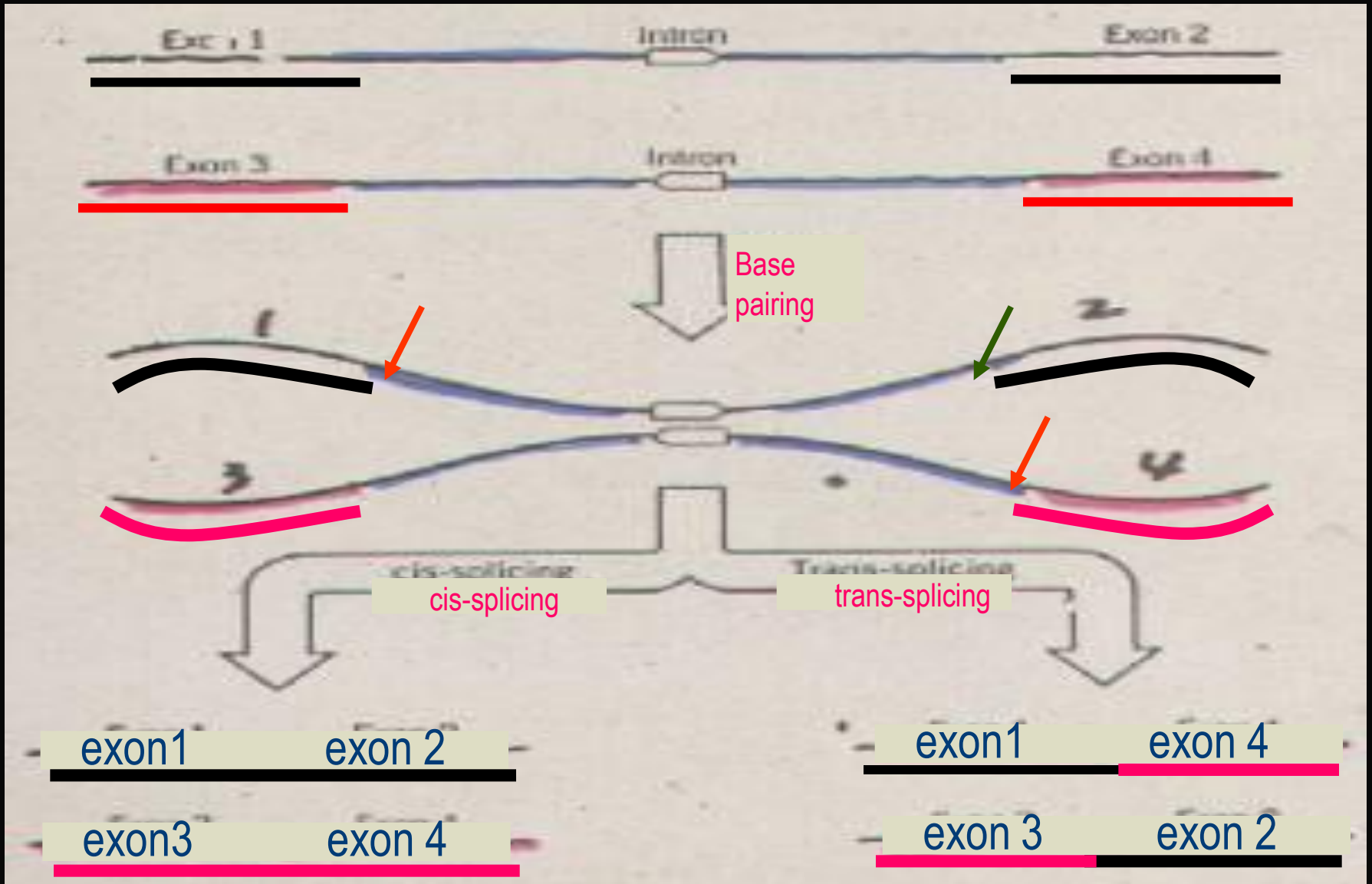




Agabian用³²P标记锥虫的RNA，用去分支酶（DBrEZ）处理总RNA，然后产物经过电泳印迹，用100nt SL内含子特异

Source:Murphy W.J.,Idenfication of a novel Y branch structure as an intermediate in trypanosome mRNA processing.Cell 47(21 Nov 1986.)

--- Complementary introns by base pairing (recombination-like)



4.4.6. RNA editing

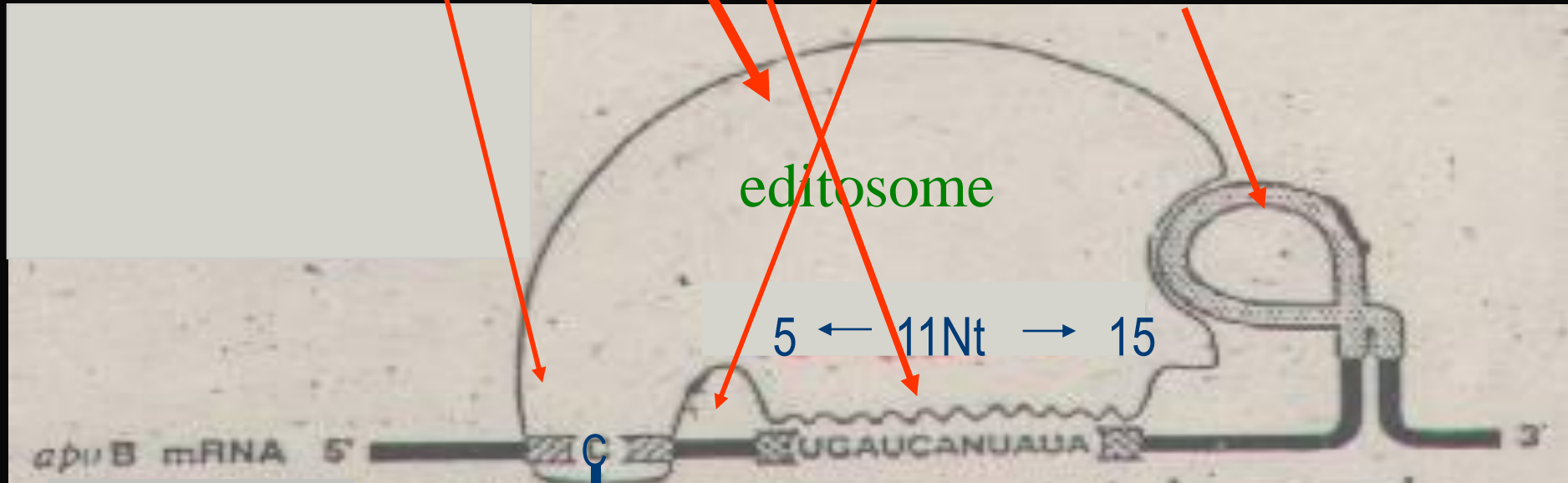
R. Benne. 1986. 锥虫 线粒体基因组

coxII, coxIII, cob mRNA

U → deleted

editing 模式: (1) 在 editosome 中完成

- C编辑位点上游区特异区
- C编辑位点下游5Nt 的间距
- C编辑位点下游5-15(11Nt)为非特异区
- 非特异区下游为种特异区 与编辑体发生互作



mooring region (停泊区)

位置与序列并非保守

- 缺失 → 丧失编辑功能
- 转移 → 形成新的 editing site

editing 模式:

需要回答的重要问题是:

- 用于编辑的尿嘧啶(UMP)的来源?
- mooring region 位置与序列的保守性
- 由gRNA的末端能够通过转酯反应将U转移到前体mRNA中?

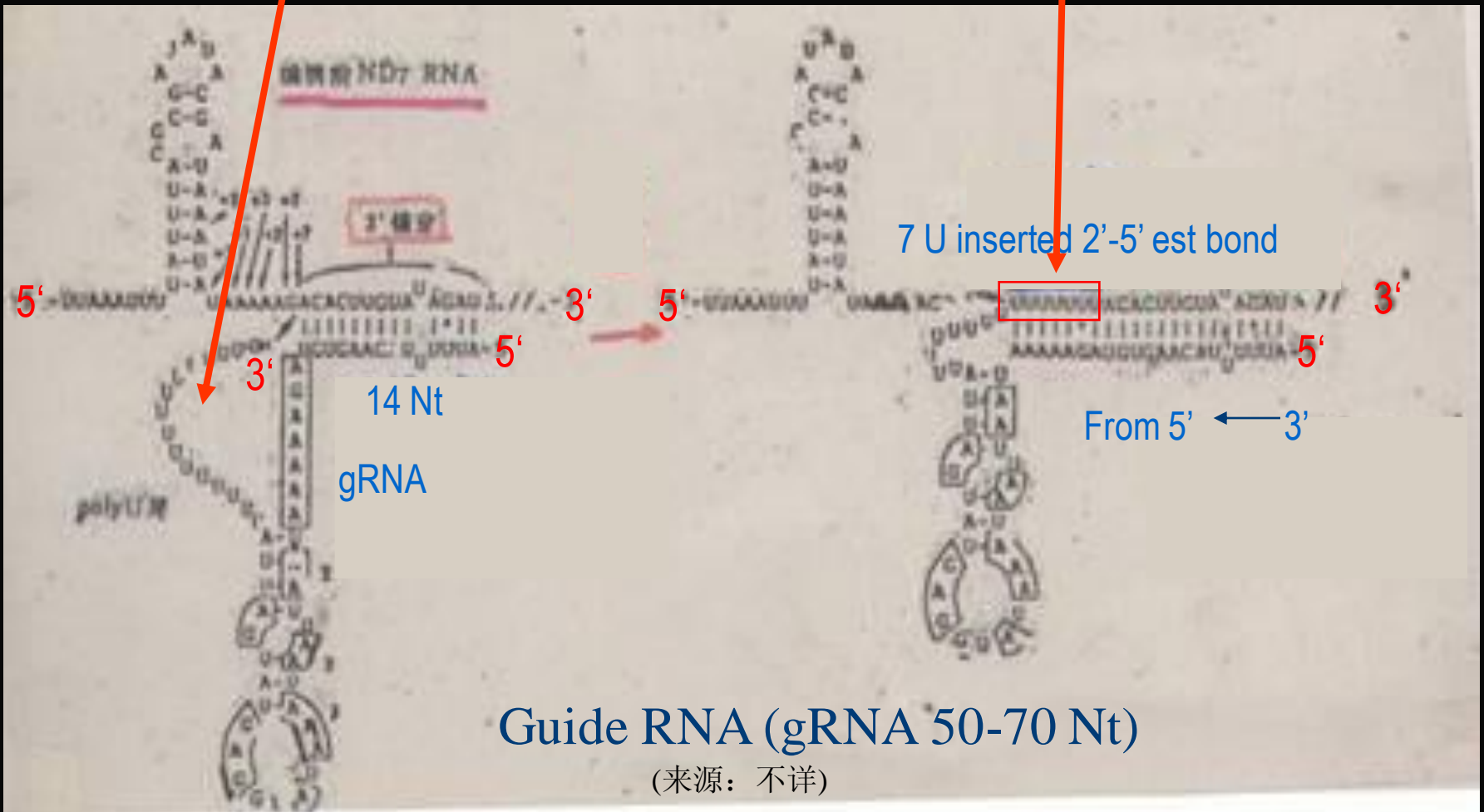
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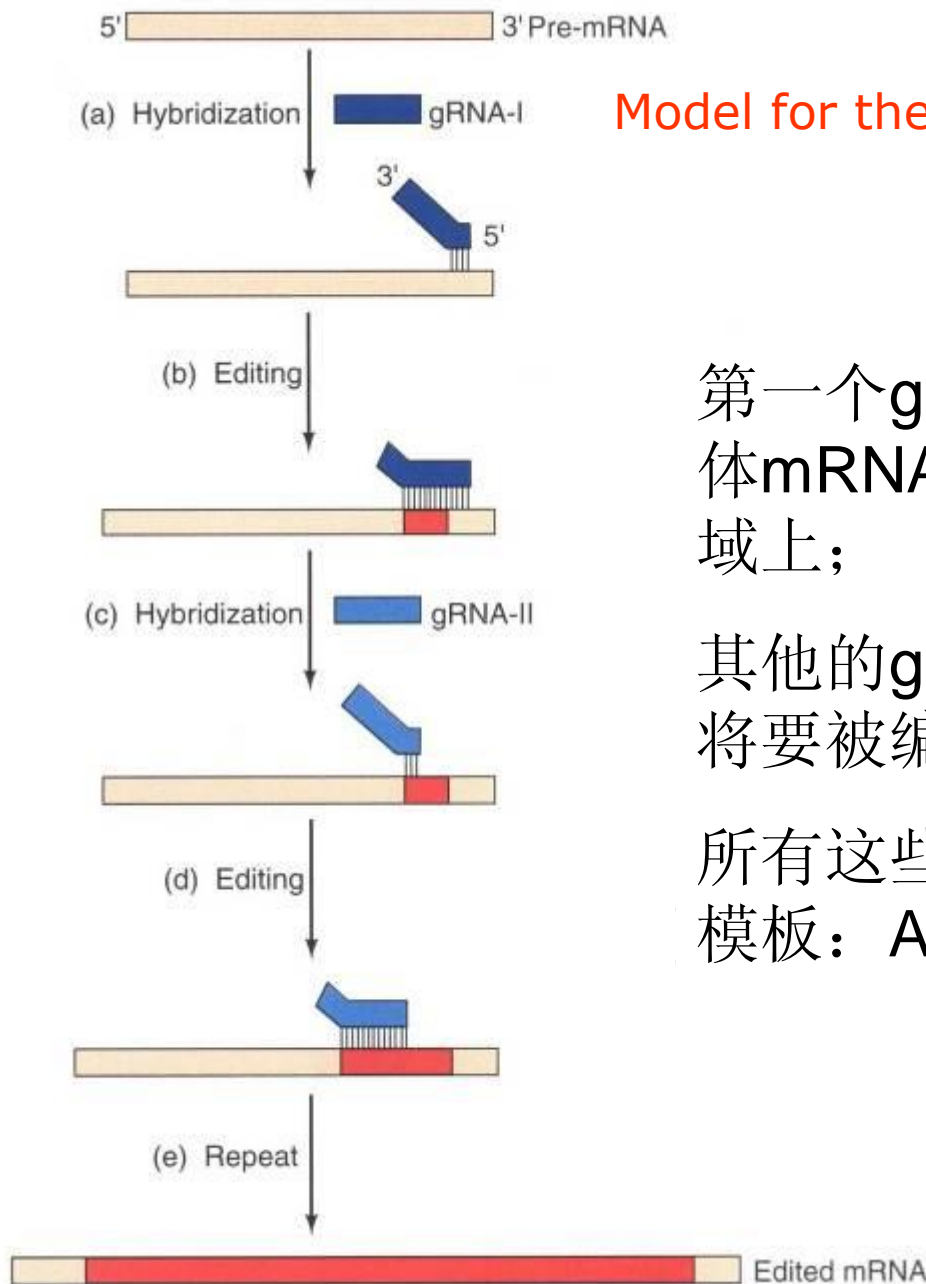
由gRNA提供U的掺入的模板：A和G。UMP来自UTP

---gRNA as a template & 5-25 polyU at 3' ---editing (deletion & insertion) from 3'-5'

---editing by trans-esterification

---gRNA have endonuclease & ligase activity





Model for the role of gRNAs in editing

第一个gRNA的5'-端杂交到一个前体mRNA待编辑位点3'-侧未编辑区域上；

其他的gRNA的5'-该区域的5'-区域将要被编辑。

所有这些gRNA提供了U的掺入的模板：A和G。UMP来自UTP



gRNA



Pre-mRNA

Editing (U insertion)



Inserted UMP

(Source:Molecular Biology(2002),Robert F.Weaver,Page492)

Editing sites of orf355-orf77 mRNA

(来源: 不详)

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	1370	1380	1390	1400	1410	1420	1430	1440
Translate	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	Y GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
0_R DNA.seq(1>1656)	gatctcatttcgtatt	c gaa	ttccatTTTTCTTTTgcctcgcctttctgatctcatttcgTTTTccgatgcataaaaaagt					
G3.seq(1>1656)	gatctcatttcgtatt	c gaa	ttccatTTTTCTTTTgcctcgcctttctgatctcatttcgTTTTccgatgcataaaaaagt					
H12.seq(1>1656)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	C GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G9.seq(1>1656)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCTGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G2.seq(1>1655)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G1.seq(1>1654)	GATCT T ATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCTGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
H2.seq(1>1655)	gatctcatttcgtatt	c gaa	ttccatTTTTCTTTTgcctcgcctttctgatctcatttcgTTTTccgatgcataaaaaagt					
G4.seq(1>1656)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCTGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
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H8.seq(1>1655)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	C GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
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H4.seq(1>1657)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTC A CCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
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G8.seq(1>1658)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G7.SEQ(1>1658)	GATCT T ATTTCGTATT	T GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCTGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G6.seq(1>1663)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	C GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					
G5.seq(1>1668)	GATCTCATTTCGTATT	C GAA	TTCCATTTTTCTTTTGCCTCGCCTTTCTGATCTCATTTCGTTTTCCGATGCATAAAAAAGT					

Genotype of microspores	41 ^{orf77} (UCA ^{Ser} to UUA ^{Leu})	52 ^{orf77} (CGA ^{Arg} to UGA)	100 ^{orf77} (CGA ^{Arg} to UGA)	to
S-Mo17 <i>rf3</i>	30%	80%	50%	
S-Mo17 <i>Rf3</i>	0%	40%	10%	

Editing 的生物学意义？ 结论为时过早

Editing 的生物学意义

- 形成/删除AUG, UAA, UAG, UGA...
- 改变codon信息
- 扩大编码的遗传信息量
- mRNA editing 较大程度地改变了DNA的遗传信息，使该基因的DNA序列仅是一串简略意义模糊的序列（abbreviated）或称为隐秘基因、模糊基因（cryptic gene, cryptogene）
- 中心法则的发展