

Biochemistry – Year 2





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Transcription

-is the process by which genetic information from DNA is transferred into RNA. DNA sequence is enzymatically copied by messenger RNA (mRNA) to produce a complementary nucleotide transfer RNA (tRNA) strand.

-synthesis of mRNA from a DNA template

-only one strand of DNA, template strand, is used to make mRNA

-mRNA is complementary to the template strand

DNA Transcription (RNA Synthesis)



Protein Synthesis Transcription

Transcription process **RNA polymerase** attaches to DNA at a special sequence that serves as a "start signal"

The DNA are separated and one strand serves as a template

The RNA bases attach to the complementary DNA template thus synthesizing mRNA

The RNA polymerase recognizes a termination site on the DNA molecule and **releases the new mRNA molecule**.

(mRNA leaves the nucleus and travels to the **ribosome in the** cytoplasm.)



What **RNA** strand will be made from the following **DNA** sequence?

TACGCATGACTAGCAAGTCTAACT answer AUGCGUACUGAUCGUUCAGAUUGA

Given a DNA strand with the following nucleotide sequence, what is the sequence of its complimentary strand?

3'- TACCACGTGGACTGAGGACTCCTCTTCAGA -5' answer

3'- AUGGUGCACCUGACUCCUGAGGAGAAGUCU -5'

Translation

-process of converting information in mRNA into a sequence of amino acids (polypeptide chain) in a protein.

-mRNA is in ribosome

-Each combination of 3 nucleotides on mRNA is called a codon or three-letter code word.

-Each codon specifies a particular amino acid that is to be placed in the polypeptide chain (protein).



- tRNA is also read in segments of 3 letters called <u>anticodons</u>.
 The anticodon is complementary to the codon found on mRNA (i.e. if the codon is AUG the anticodon is UAC)
- Eventually a **stop** codon is reached. They do not code for amino acids. They tell the ribosome to stop adding amino acids. Many ribosomes may work at once on one piece of mRNA.
- Given a mRNA strand with the following nucleotide sequence, what are the sequence (anticodons) of its complimentary tRNA strands?

3'- AUGGUGCACCUGACUCCUGAGGAGAAGUCU -5' <u>Answer</u> 3' – UACCACGUGGAUGAGGACUCCUUUCAGA -5'

SECOND POSITION

- Given the following sequence of mRNA, what is the amino acid sequence of the resultant polypeptide?
- AUGGUGCACCUG ACUCCUGAGGAG AAGUCU



THIRD POSITION

* and start

Answer

;Met-val-his-leu-thr-pro-glu-glu-lys-ser



RECAP:

- 1. DNA is **transcribed** into mRNA in the nucleus.
- 2. The mRNA leaves the nucleus and enters the cytoplasm.
- 3. The protein is **translated** from the mRNA sequence using tRNA and amino acids.



