

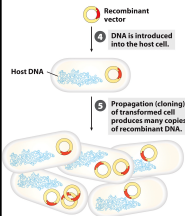
Lecture 27

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Recombinant DNA and Biotechnology

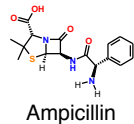
DNA Cloning

Introduce DNA into Organism

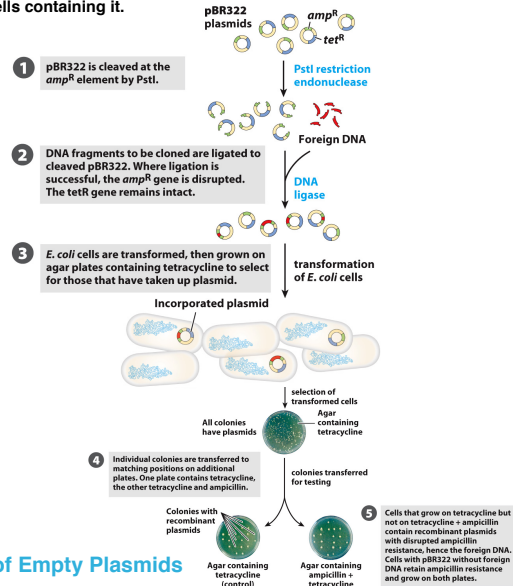


Antibiotic Selection

- Antibiotics, such as penicillin and ampicillin, kill bacteria.
- Plasmids can carry genes that give a host bacterium a resistance against antibiotics.
- Allows growth (selection) of bacteria that have taken up the plasmid

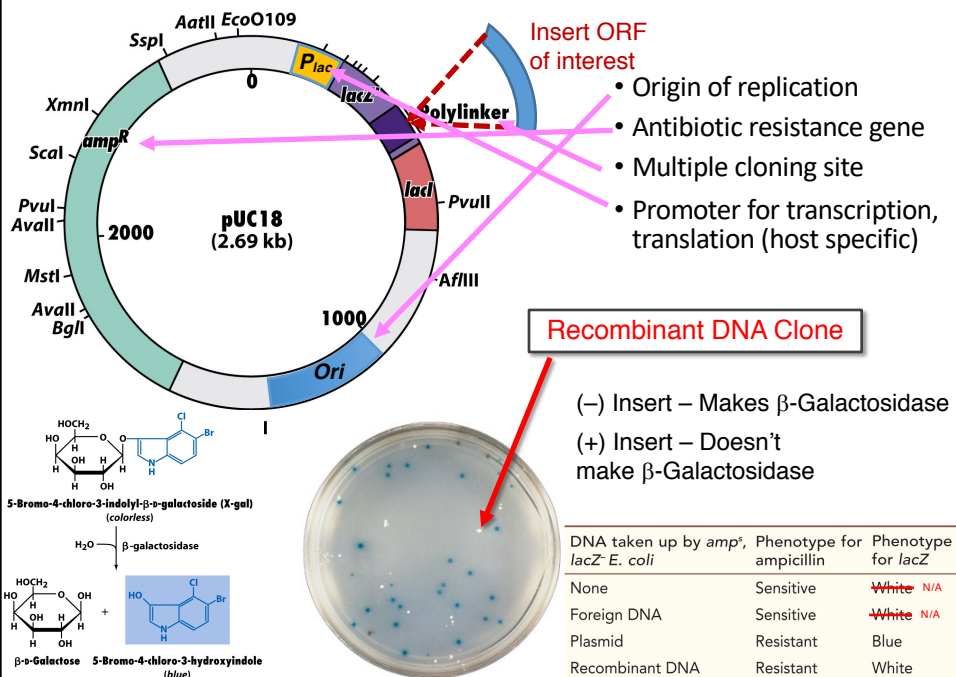


Use of pBR322 to clone foreign DNA in *E. coli* and identify cells containing it.



Identification of Empty Plasmids

Selection using Reporter Gene



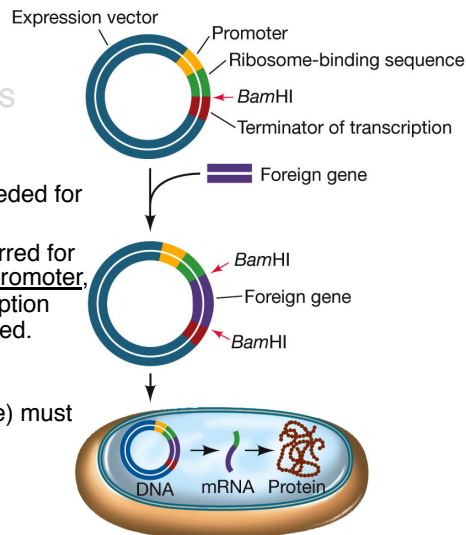
Recombinant DNA and Biotechnology

• Biochemical Basis of Biotechnology

- Restriction enzymes, DNA ligase
- Vectors and Inserts to make recombinant DNA (rDNA)
- Transformation of hosts
- Selection of transformants
- Expression

Expression vectors include sequences needed for expression of a *transgene* in a host cell.

- For prokaryote host, which are preferred for making large amounts: A **bacterial promoter**, **ribosome binding site**, and a transcription **termination** signal, must all be included.
- For eukaryote (mostly yeast): The **eukaryotic promoter/enhancer** and **terminator** (poly-A addition signal/site) must be included.



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Typical Expression Vector

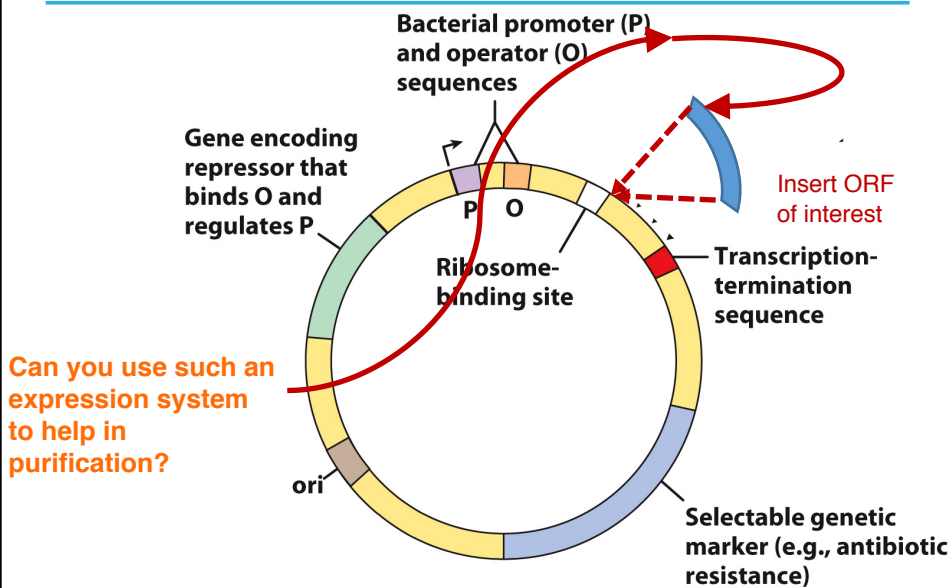


Figure 9-7

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Purification of Recombinant Proteins

- Purification of natural proteins is difficult.
- Recombinant proteins can be **tagged for purification**.
- The tag binds to the affinity resin, binding the protein of interest to a purification column.

TABLE 9-3 Commonly Used Protein Tags

Tag protein/peptide	Molecular mass (kDa)	Immobilized ligand
Protein A	59	Fc portion of IgG
(His) ₆	0.8	Ni ²⁺
Glutathione-S-transferase (GST)	26	Glutathione
Maltose-binding protein	41	Maltose
β-Galactosidase	116	p-Aminophenyl-β-D-thiogalactoside (TPEG)
Chitin-binding domain	5.7	Chitin

Recall:

Affinity Chromatography

Basis =
function

Biotechnology (recombinant DNA technology) has revolutionized protein purification.

At the level of the DNA sequence, the DNA sequence encoding such binding proteins or "tags" can be "fused" to the sequence encoding YFP. In this way, a chimeric protein is produced that has the binding function, which allows the use of affinity chromatography.

Common "tags" are:

Maltose-binding protein

Chitin-binding protein

Glutathione-S-transferase (GST)

His-His-His-His-His-His

Column beads have attached:

Maltose

Chitin

Glutathione (γ-Glu-Cys-Gly)

Ni-chelate

ATGCATCATCATCATCATCATATGCCCGCATAT.....
TACGTCGTCGTCGTCGTCGTCCTACGGGCGTATA.....

His

FauND I

MetProAlaTyr.....

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Purification of Recombinant Proteins

Can you use such an expression system to help visualize proteins INSIDE of cells?

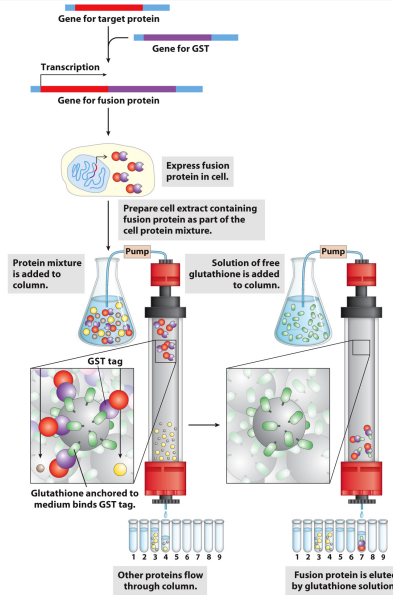


Figure 9-11b

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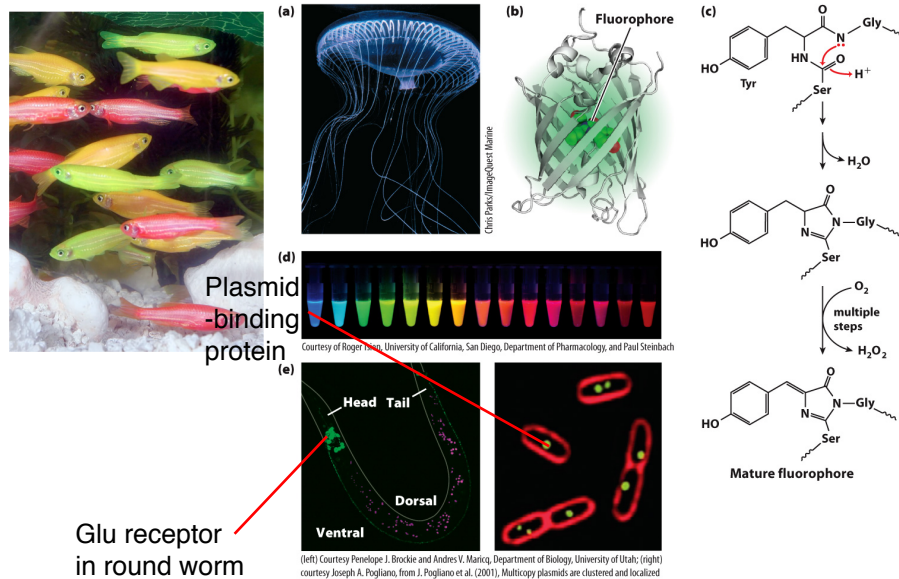
Expression

- **EXAMPLE:** Green fluorescent protein, which normally occurs in a jellyfish, emits visible light when exposed to UV light. The gene for this protein has been isolated and incorporated into vectors as a reporter gene



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GFP–Tagged Protein Localization

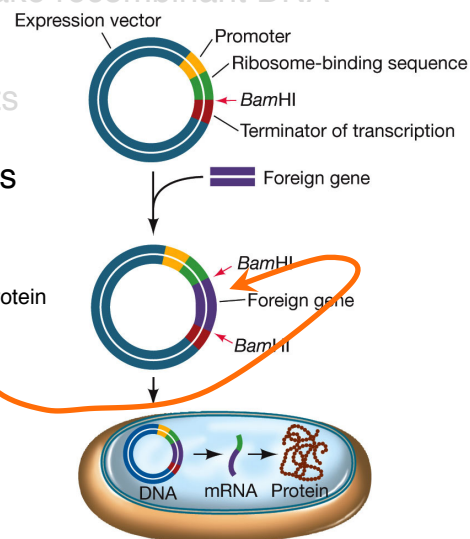


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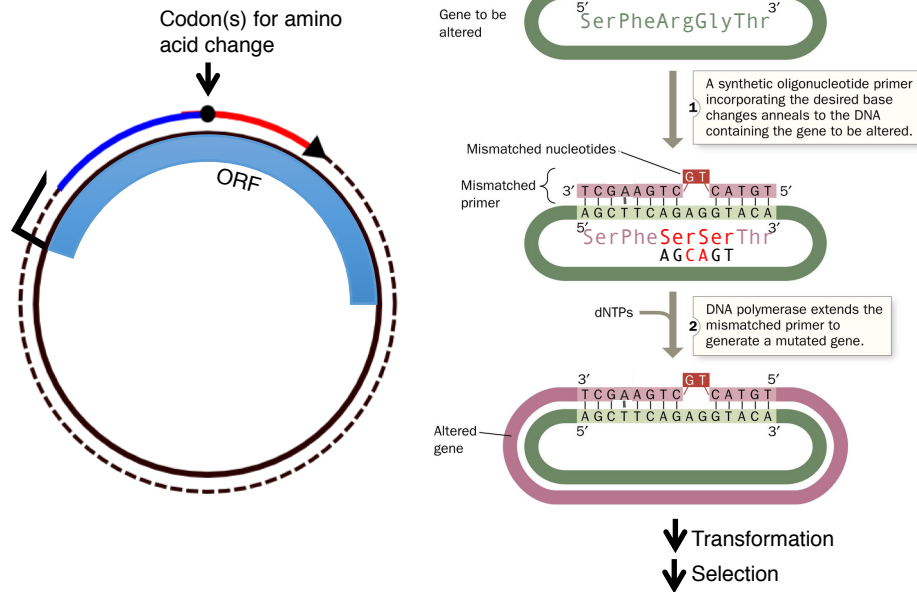
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- Site-directed mutagenesis

Make a specific mutation to make a variant protein

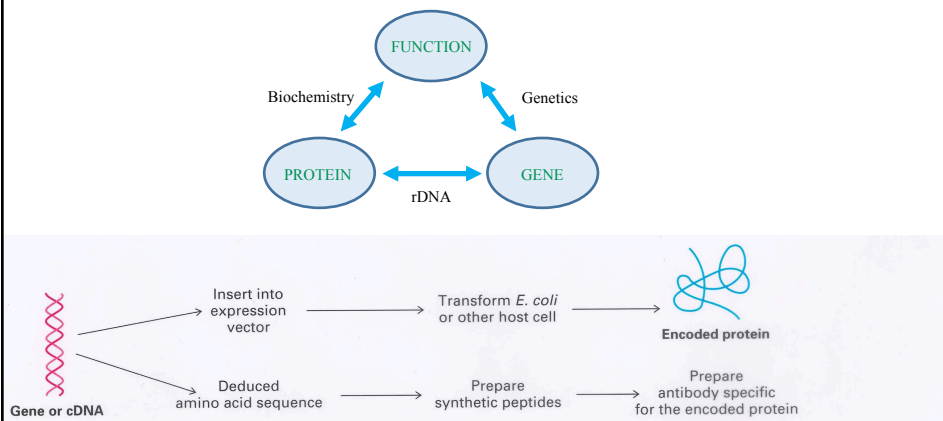


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