Plant Molecular Biology

# Chapter 3: Duplicating the DNA-Replication

Double helix separation New strand synthesis I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.





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Seven pairs of identical twins: No instructions regarding how to pose.

People often explain nearly identical phenotypes of monozygotic twins like Merry and Sherry by stating that "they contain the same genes."

Of course, that is not true. To be accurate, the statement should be that identical twins contain progeny replicas of the same parental genes.

A human life emerges from a single cell, a tiny sphere about 0.1 mm in diameter.

65 trillion (65,000,000,000,000) cells.

# So, DNA replication has to be..

Fast



#### Accurate



# Which step does DNA replication occur?



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# Replicated DNA(chromosomes)



Figure 2-3b Principles of Genetics, 4/e Light micrograph of human chromosomes during cell division. 8

- <u>Replication</u>: the process that DNA of original, or mother cell is duplicated to give two identical copies
- For replication, the two strands of the DNA double helix separate and build a complimentary strand on each of the two original strands
- <u>Semi-conservative replication</u>: replication of DNA in which each daughter molecule gets one of the two original strands and one new complimentary strand (=each of the progeny conserves half of the original DNA molecule)

### Semiconservative Replication (Meselson and Stahl)

Each of the parental strands is conserved and serves as a template for the synthesis of a new complementary strand; that is, the base sequence in each progeny strand is determined by the hydrogen-bonding potentials of the bases in the parental strand.



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### Semiconservative Replication (Meselson and Stahl)





# Interpretation of the autoradiographs above in terms of semiconservative replication.

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- •Before replication DNA double helix separate into strands by DNA gyrase (unwind supercoils) and DNA helicase (unwind double helix)
- •After separation, DNA strands are kept apart by single strand binding protein (SSB)

**DNA Replication in Prokaryote** 



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DNA Structure: Negative Supercoils In Vivo

Three enzymes are needed for double helix separation



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Single-strand DNA-binding (SSB) protein keeps the unwound strands in an extended form for replication.



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- Separated parental strands serves as <u>template strands</u> and the synthesis of new <u>complimentary strands</u> starts by base-paring
- <u>DNA polymerase III (Pol III)</u> is responsible for synthesizing new complementary strand DNA and for correcting the mismatched base pairs
- Pol III has two subunits, synthetic subunit and sliding clamp subunit
- New DNA strands always start at the 5' end and grow in the 3' direction

- <u>Replication fork</u>: region where the enzymes replicating a DNA molecule are bound to untwisted, single strand DNA
- In replication fork, one strain is made continuously (<u>leading strand</u>) and the other strand can be only made in short segments (<u>lagging strand</u>)
- Lagging strands consist of <u>Okazaki fragments</u>, which joined together to give a complete strand by <u>DNA polymerase I</u> and <u>DNA ligase</u>

New strand synthesis by 'Strong bond' & 'Weak bond'







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Relatively low-resolution techniques such as autoradiography and electron microscopy show that at the macromolecular level both nascent DNA chains are extended in the same overall direction at each replication fork.



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#### New strand synthesis

- Short RNA pieces called <u>primers</u> get a new strand started for both leading and lagging strand, and primers are made by <u>primase</u>
- The bacterial chromosome is circular and replication proceeds in both directions at an <u>origin</u> around the circle (one origin, one replication fork)
- Eukaryotic chromosome is linear, several replication forks are scattered and start at a separate origin of replication (<u>replication bubble</u>)
- Eukaryotic cell cycle is subdivided into four phases:
  G1 (gap1), S (DNA synthesis), G2 (gap2), M (mitosis)
- Mitosis of eukaryotic cells is subdivided into four phases:
  - prophase, metaphase, anaphase, telophase

### **Replication Fork**



#### Proofreading Activities of DNA Polymerases



3' **---** 5' exonuclease activity

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Electron micrographs of replicating bacteriophage T7 chromosomes. The phage T7 chromosome, unlike the *E. coli* and phage  $\lambda$  chromosomes, replicates as a linear structure. <sub>28</sub>



Replication proceeds bidirectionally from the origin until the fork moving in a leftward direction reaches the left end of the molecule, yielding a Y-shaped structure such as that shown in (*b*).





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# DNA replicates bidirectional



**Correct interpretation: bidirectional replication.** 

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## $\theta$ -shaped replicating chromosome

# For fast DNA replication?



## Replication bubbles in eukaryotes



# Diagrammatic interpretation of the replication of the DNA molecules visualized above.

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Electron micrograph of a DNA molecule in *D. melanogaster* showing multiple sites of replication.

Four eye-shaped replication structures (labeled A-D) are present in the segment of the DNA molecule shown.

The arrows show the positions of replication forks.

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## All these happen where?



#### DNA replication, telomere, telomerase, and aging !

