

Oligomers

In *Escherichia coli*, the average oligomerization state of proteins is 4. Thus, a protein that exists as a monomer is a relatively uncommon event.

A survey of human enzymes shows that approximately two-thirds are oligomers.

An oligomeric protein creates some problems in assembly, in that at least two molecules of protein need to be present in the same place at the same time.

It also makes the protein larger, and therefore less mobile, so there must be good reasons why proteins have evolved to exist as oligomers

Oligomers

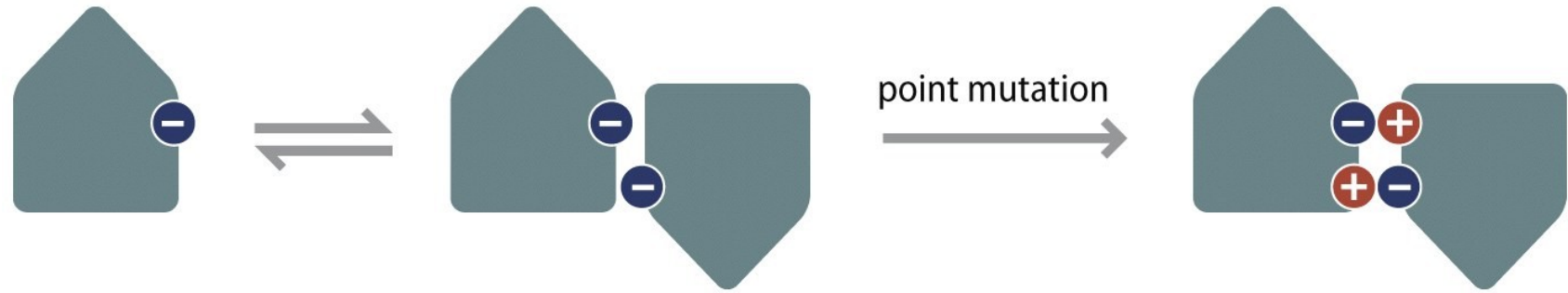


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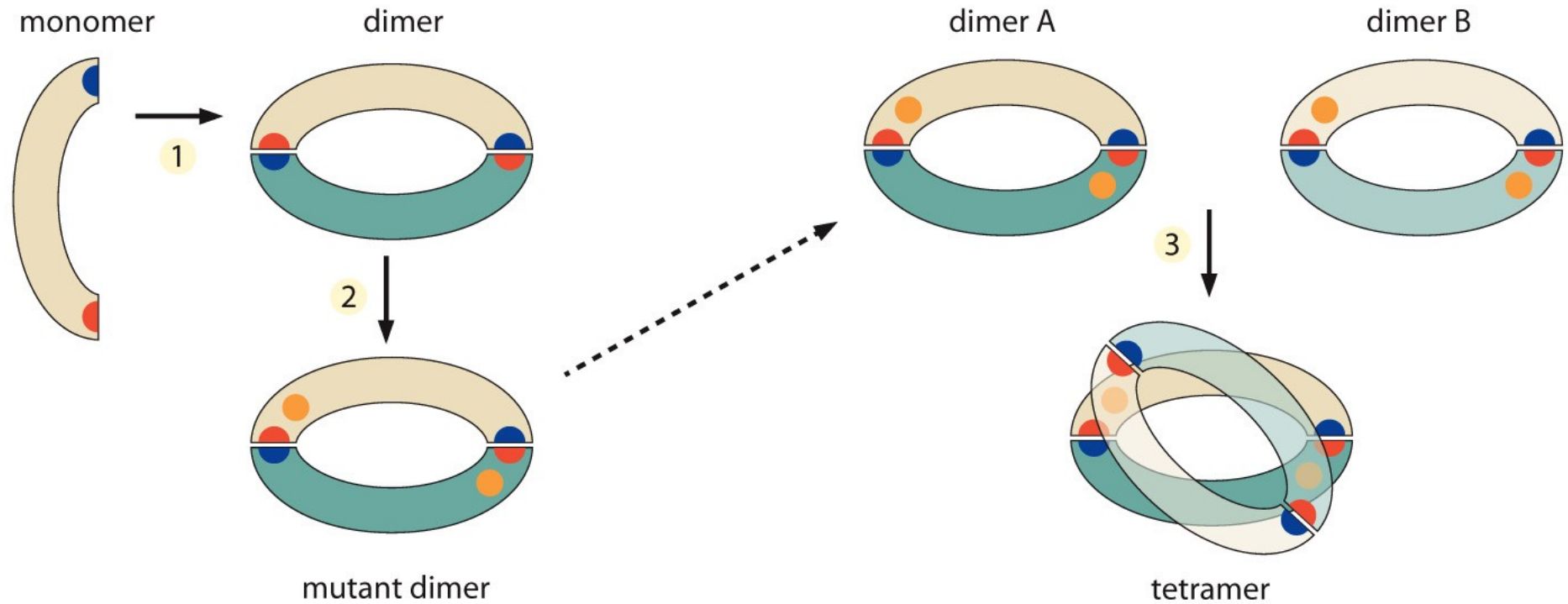


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Oligomers

- homo-oligomers by self-association
- hetero-oligomers by binding to a different protein.

rabbit muscle fructose-1,6- bisphosphate

triose phosphate isomerase

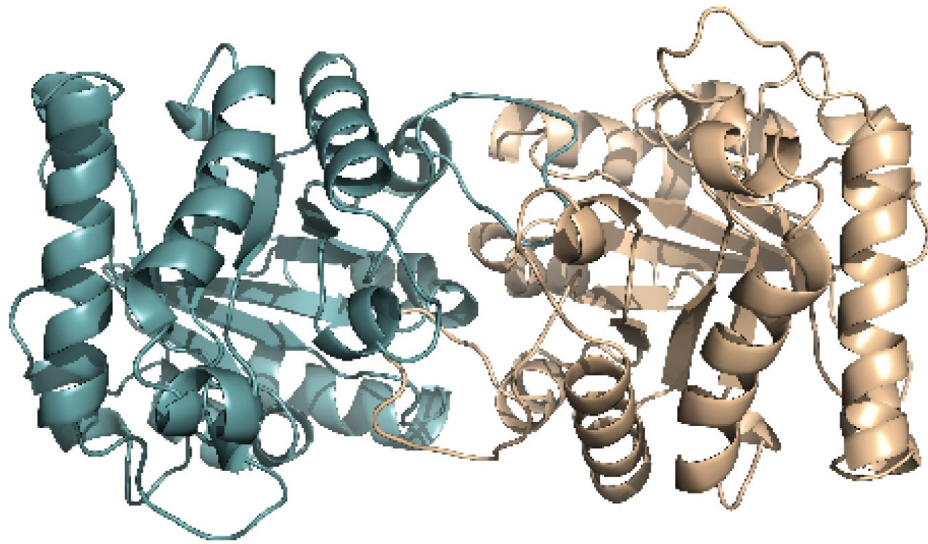
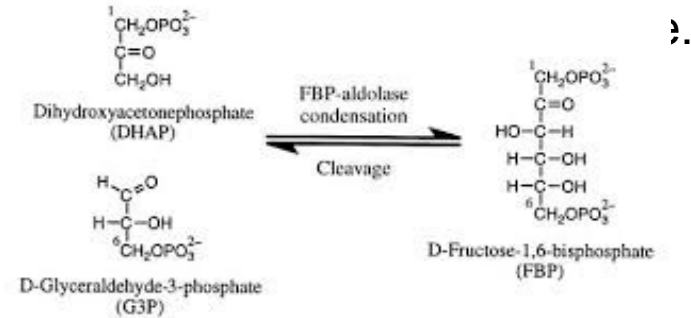
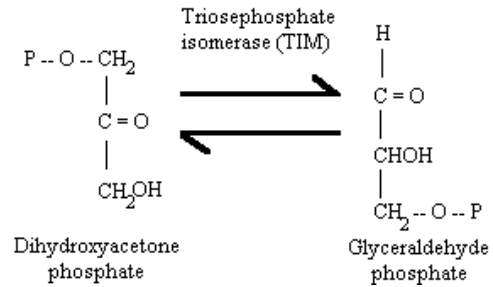


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homo-dimer

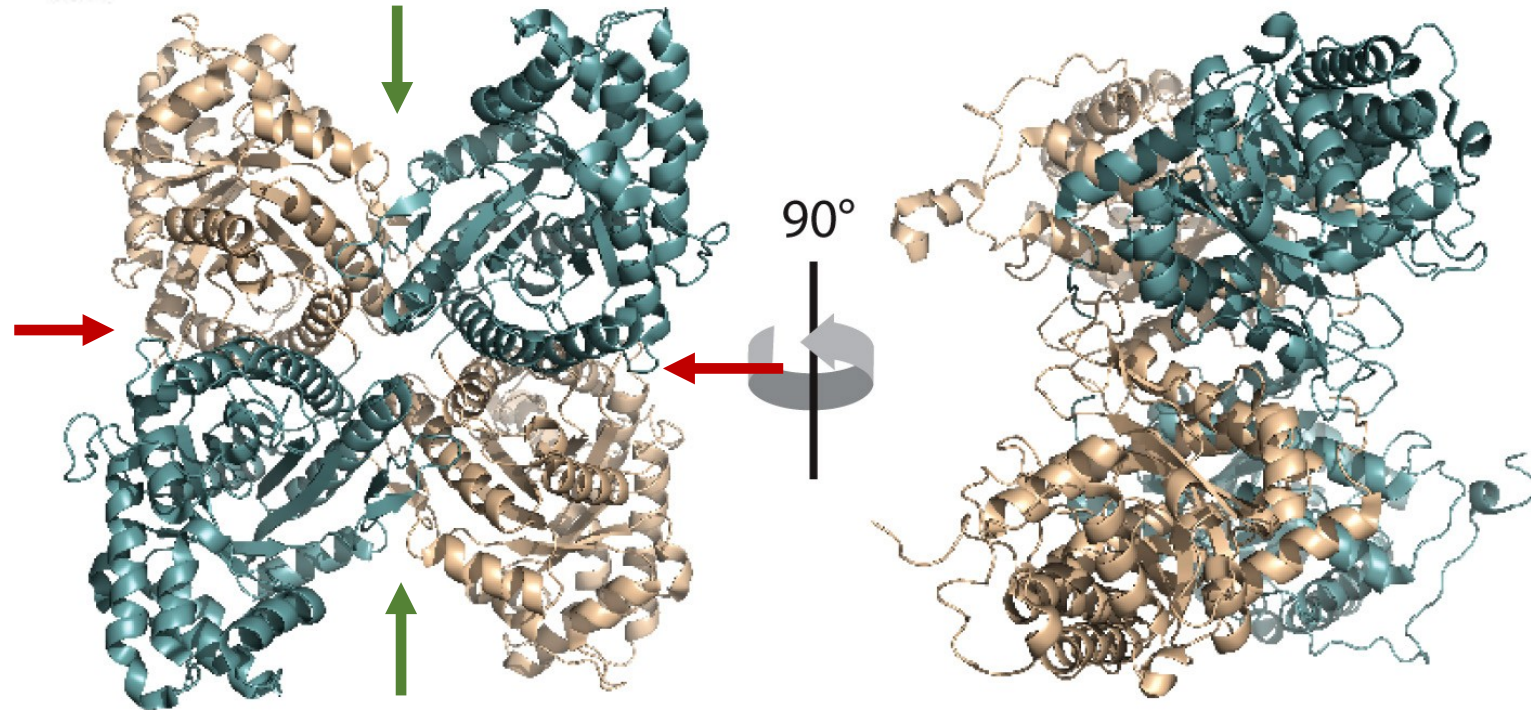


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homo-tetramer

symmetry

In line symm

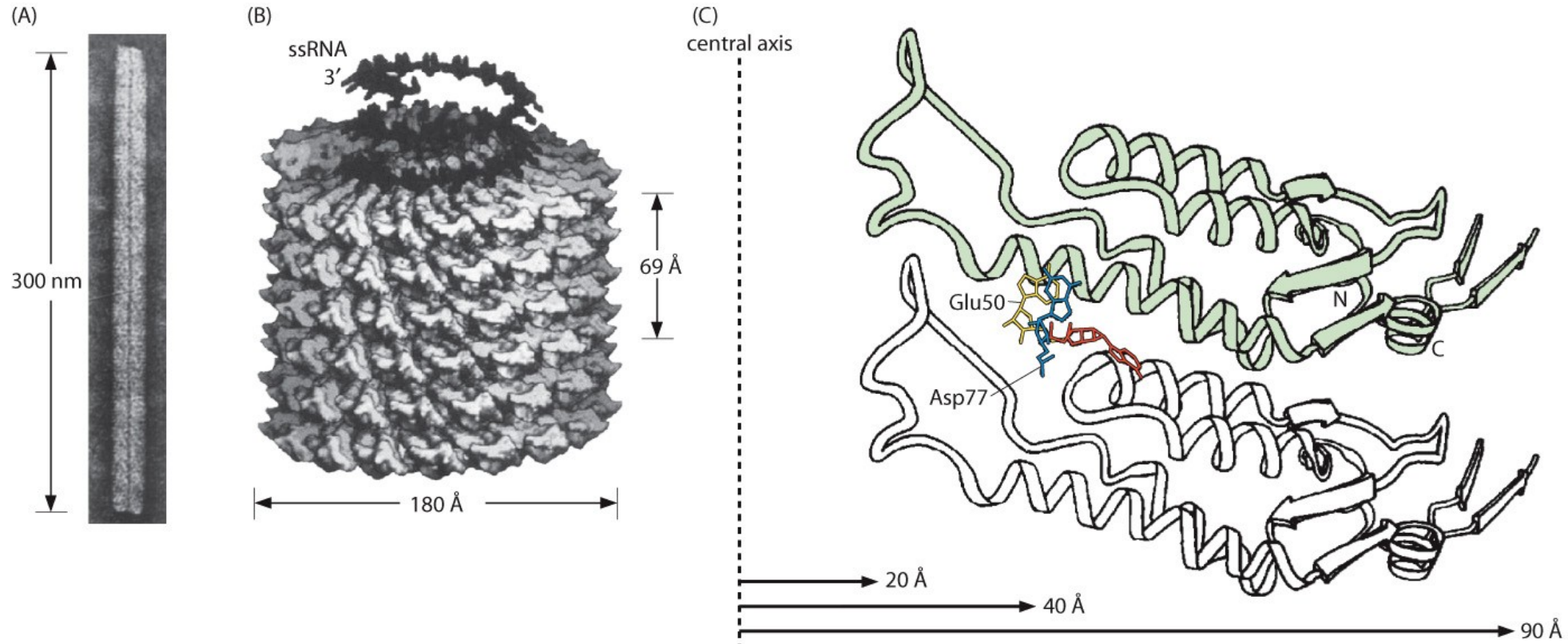
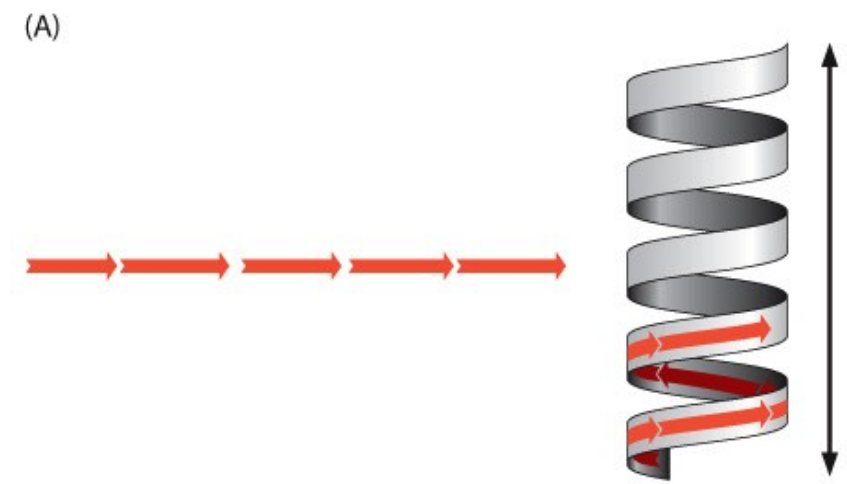


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symmetry

In cyclic symmetry, the subunits form closed rings.

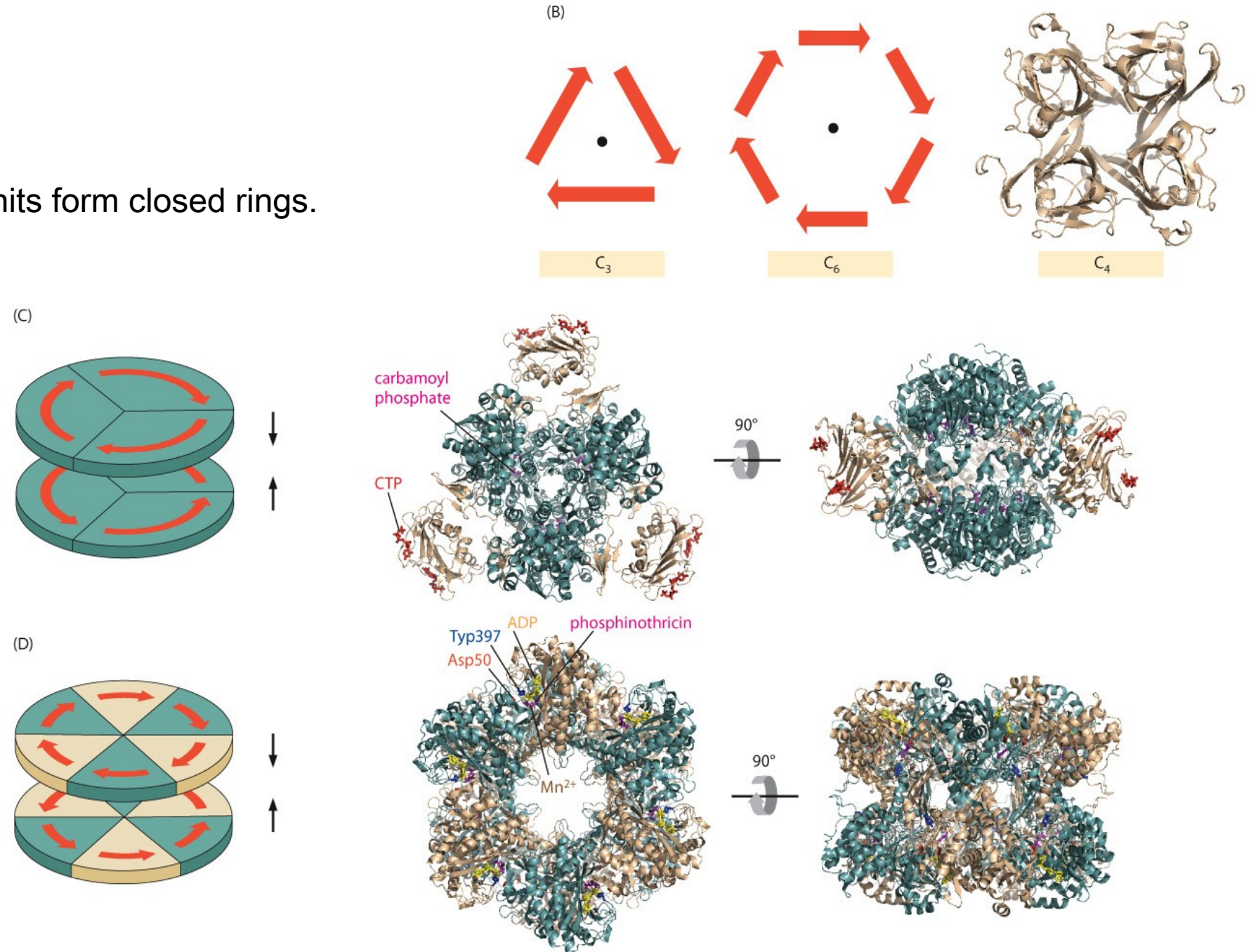
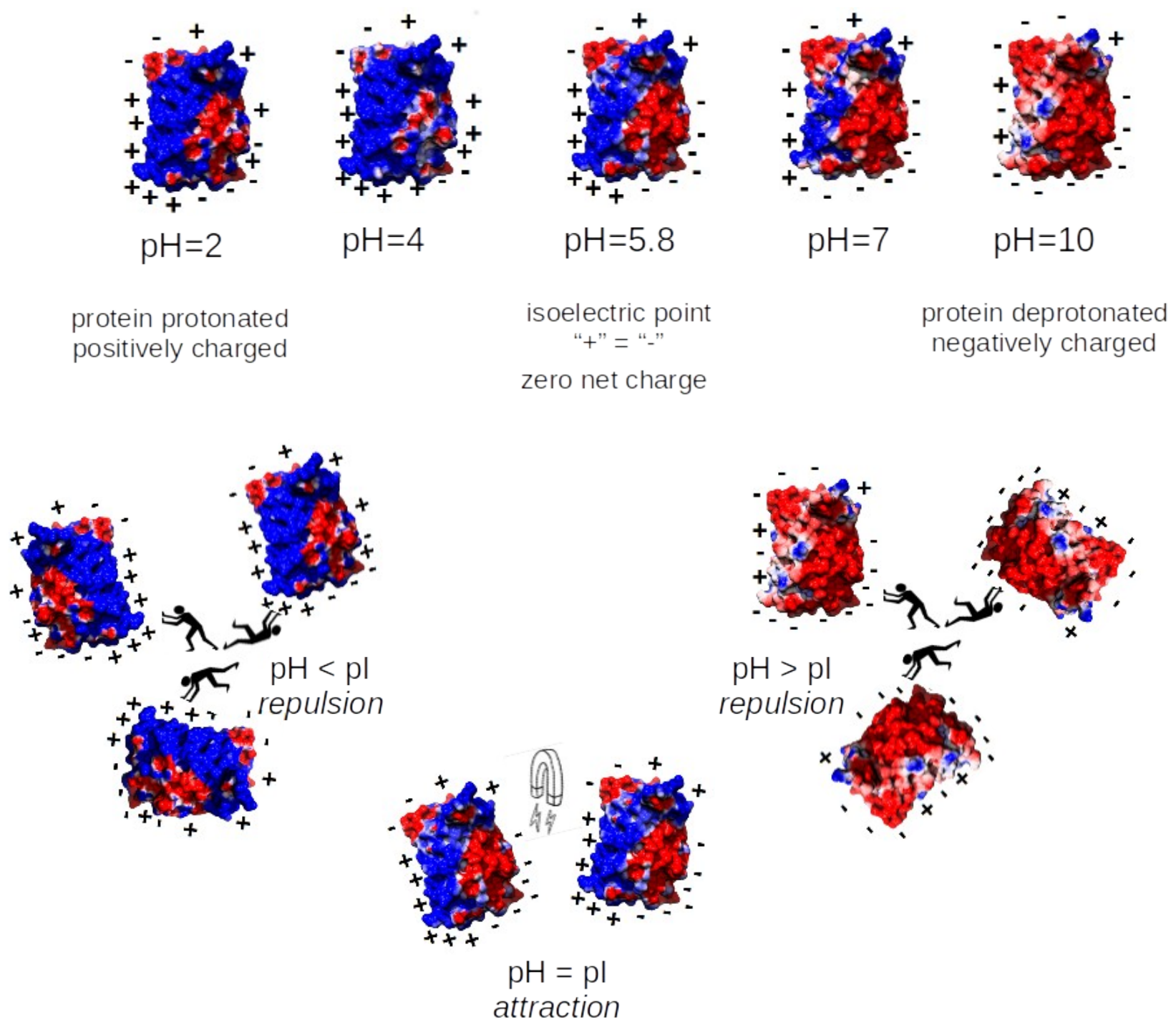


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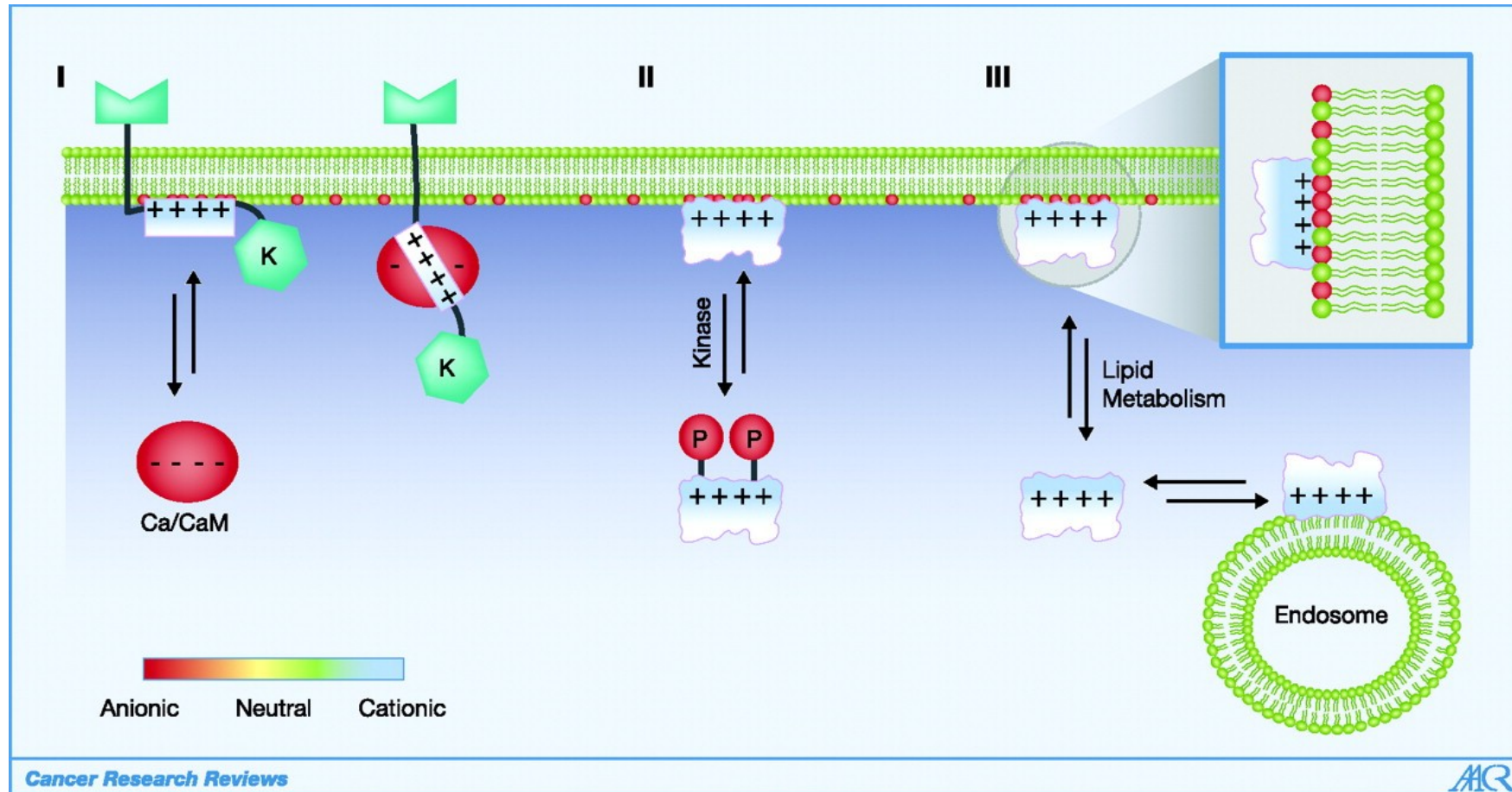
Isoelectric point



Green Fluorescent Protein
(*Aequorea victoria*)
molecular weight of 26.9 kDa (238 aa)
and isoelectric point of ≈ 5.8 .



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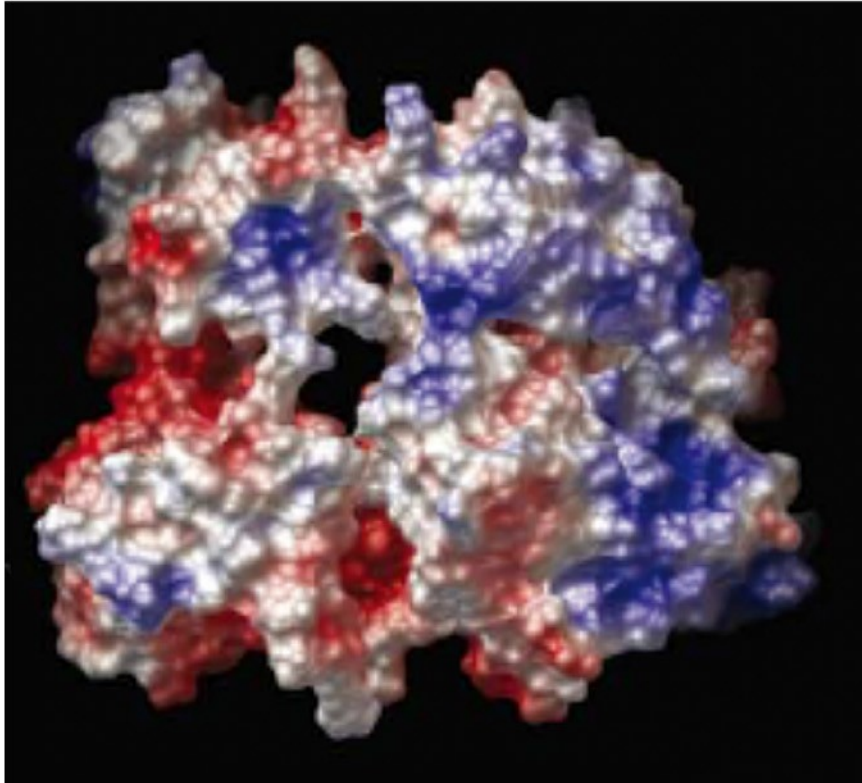


Protein surface

carbohydrate antigen^A

Electrostatic surface potential of chimeric BR96 (PDB: 1CLY) variable domains in complex with nonoate methyl ester derivative of Lewis Y antigen

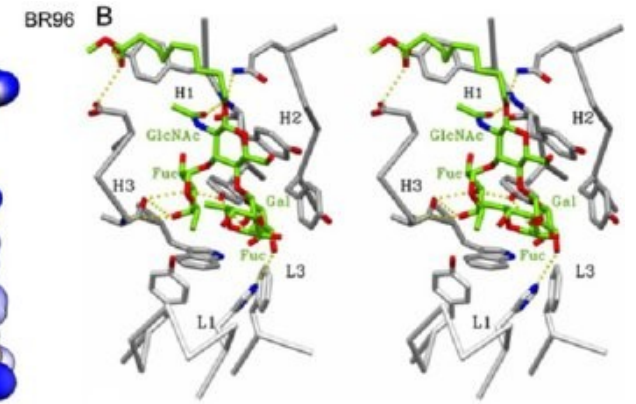
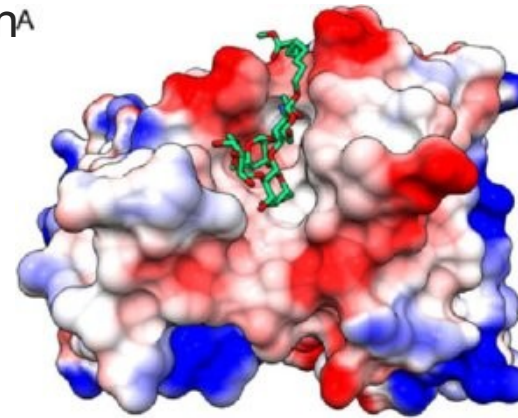
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electrostatic potential

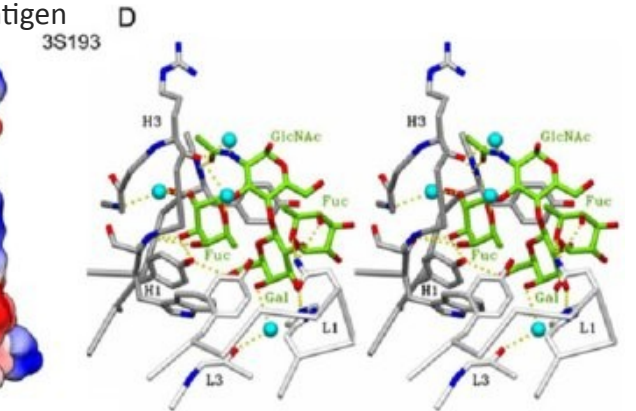
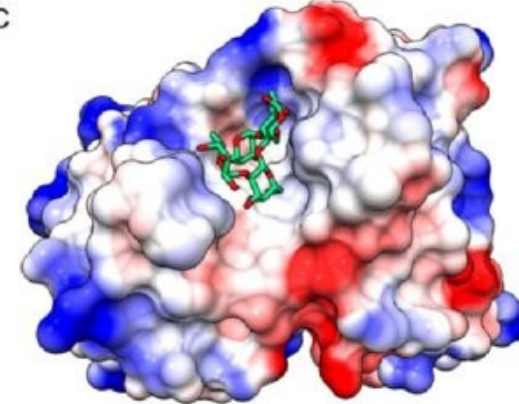
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red and blue for negative and positive charges

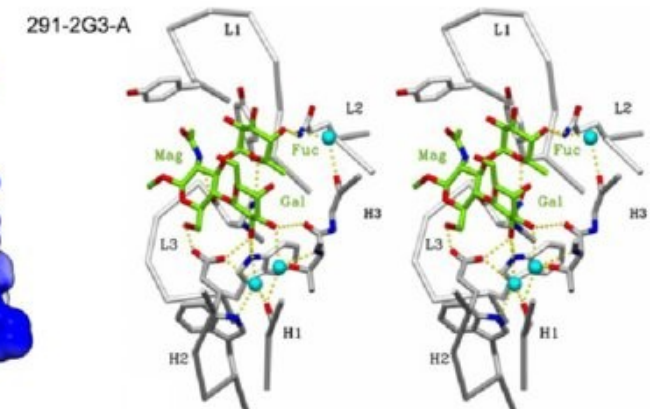
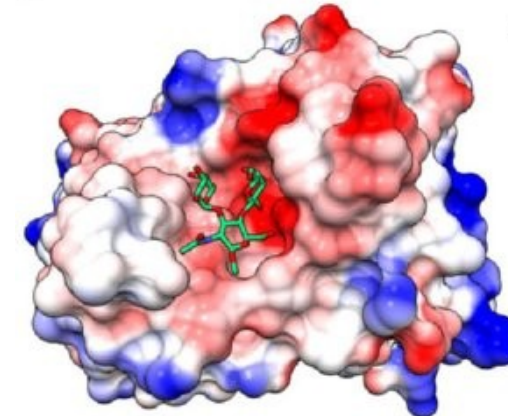


humanized 3S193 (PDB: 1S3K) Fv in complex with Le^y antigen

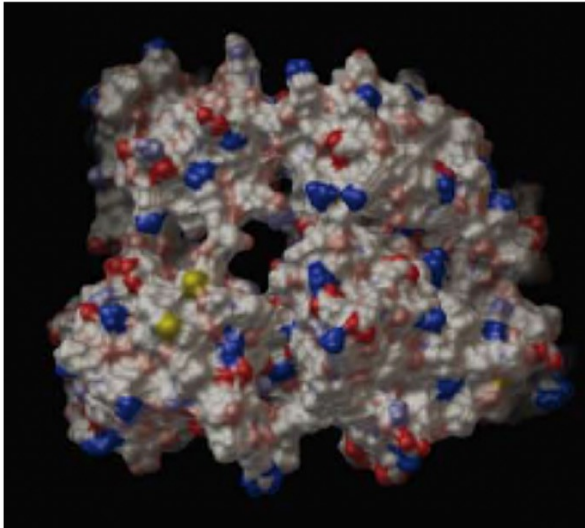
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291-2G3-A (PDB: 1UZ8) Fv in complex with the Le^x trisaccharide Gal β 1,4Fuc α 1,3GlcNAc β antigen.

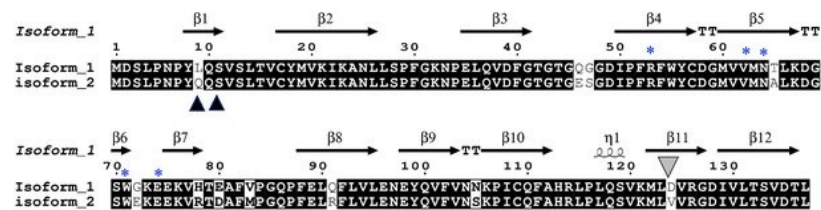


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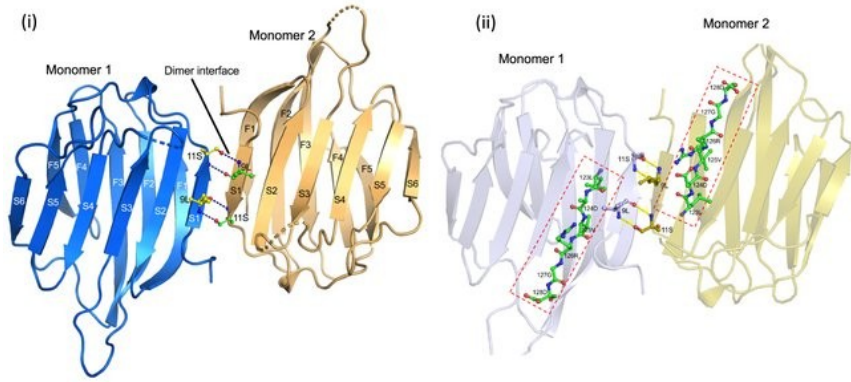


hydrophobic potential

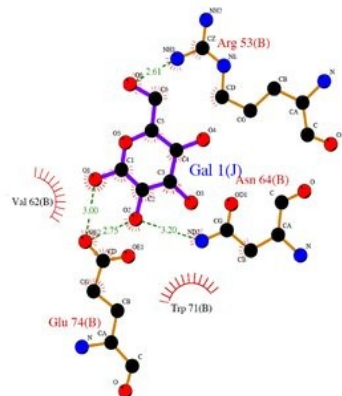
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Interactions

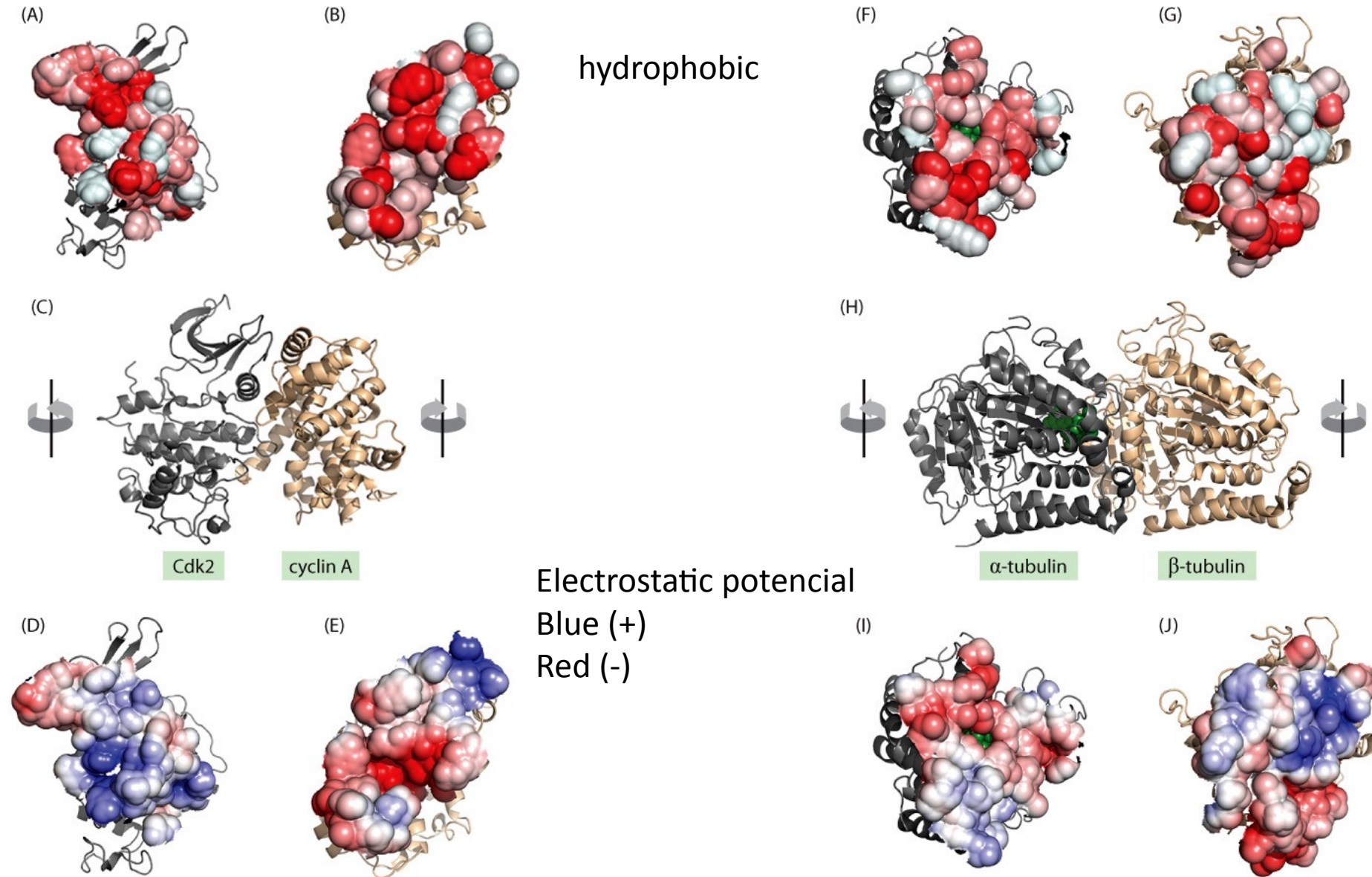


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Amino acid in oligomeric interfaces

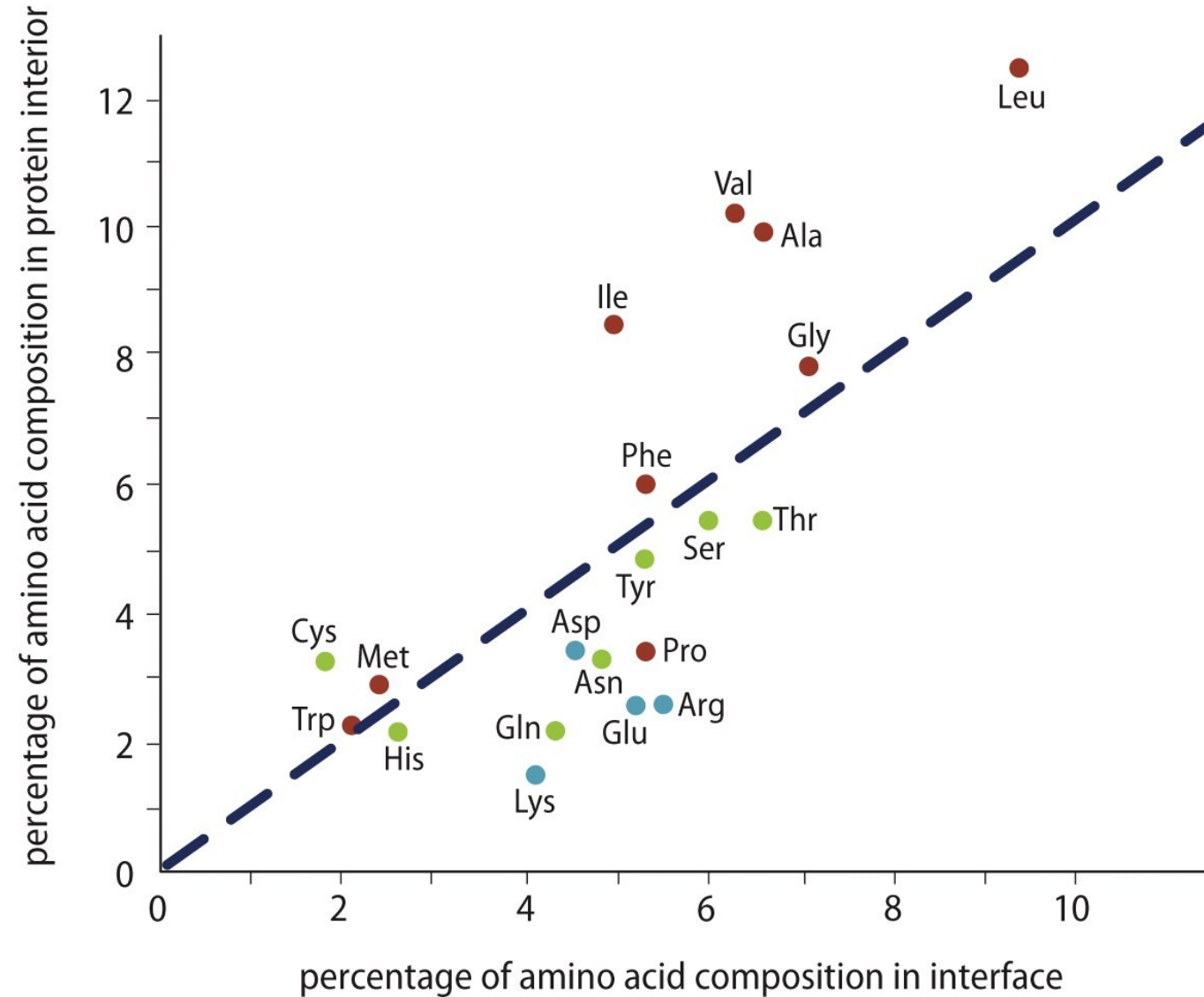


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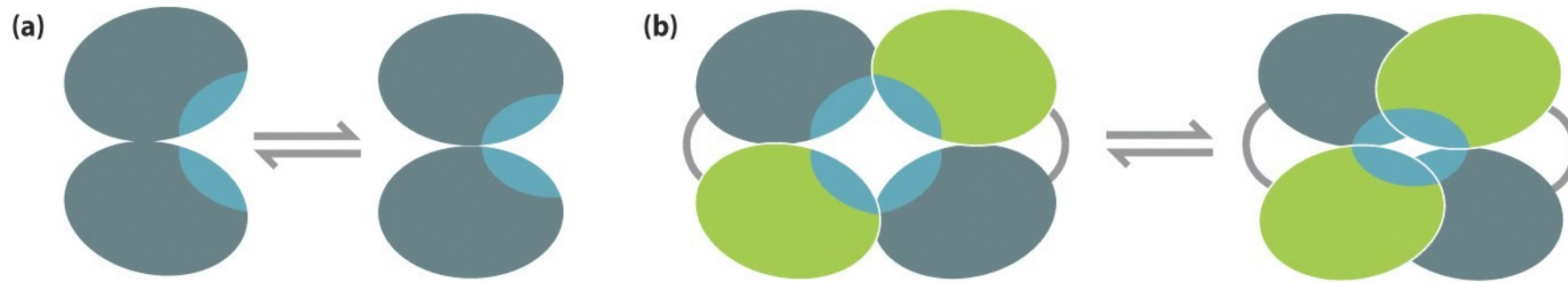
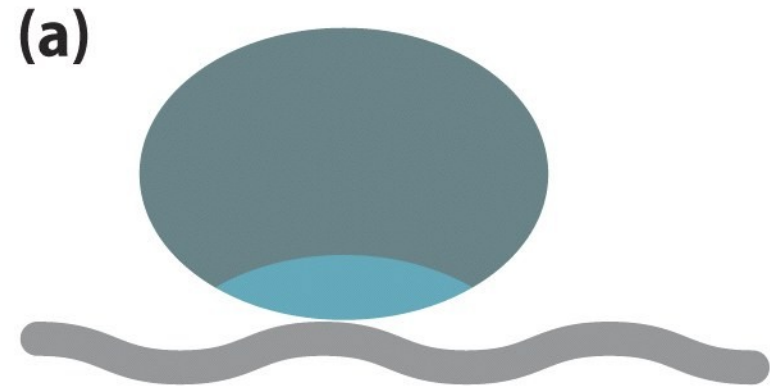


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selectivity

Exolytic and endolytic



Exolytic

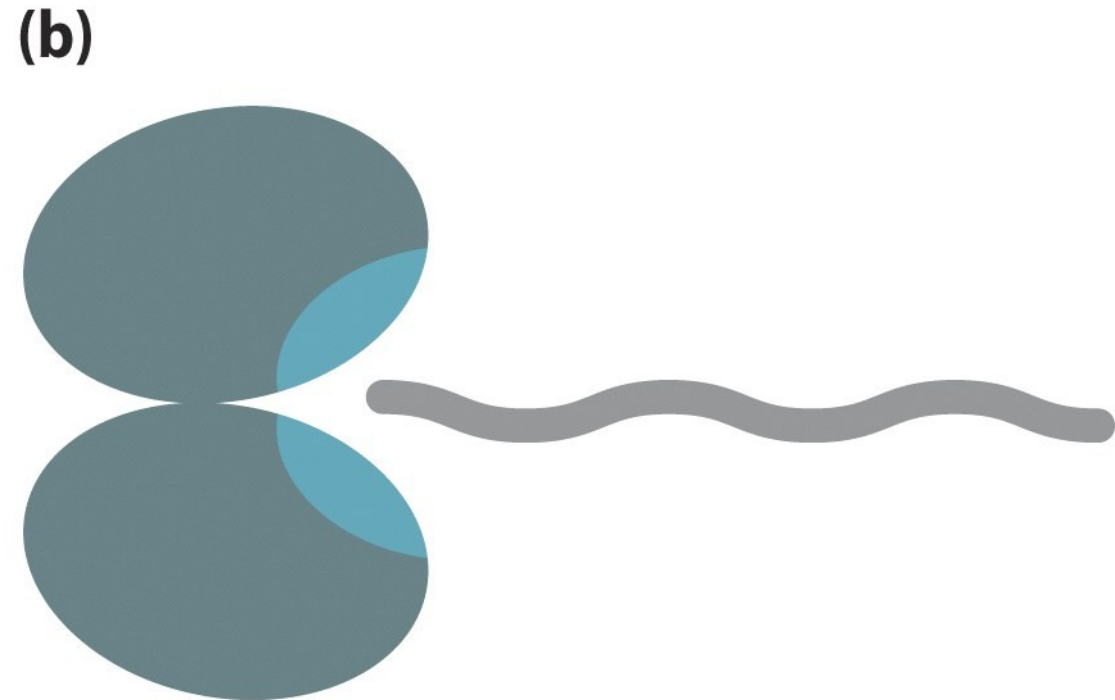


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evolution of allosteric effectors

The interface of two domains also creates the possibility of **allostery**

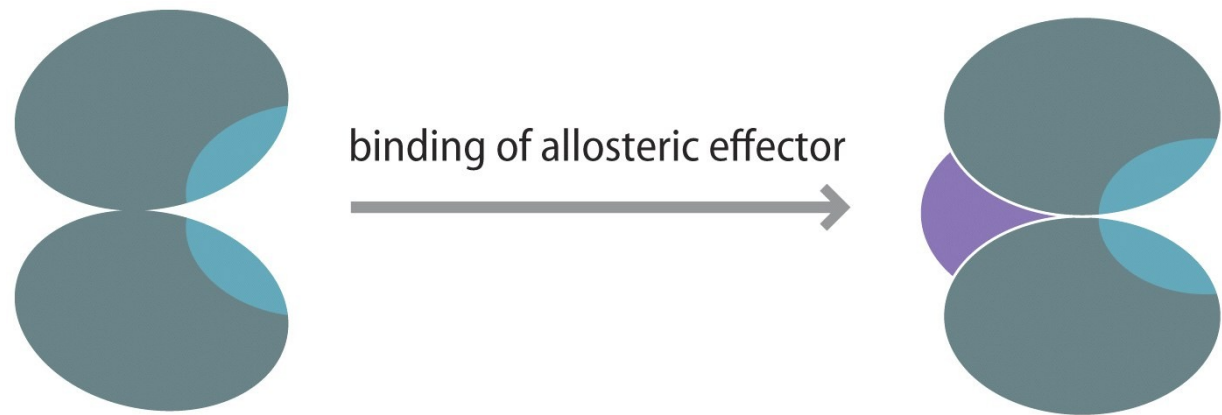


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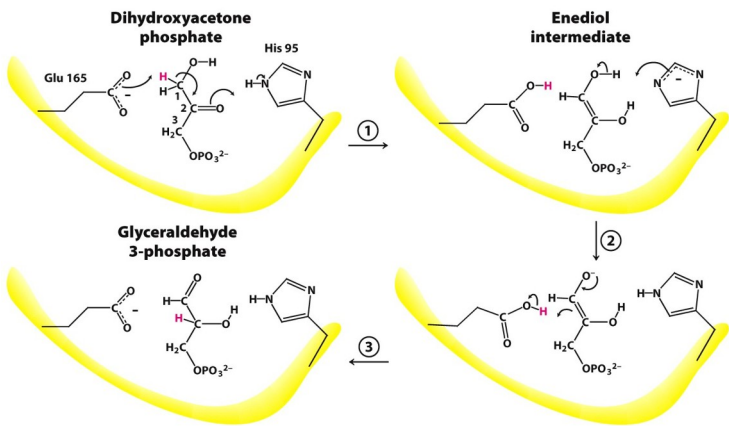


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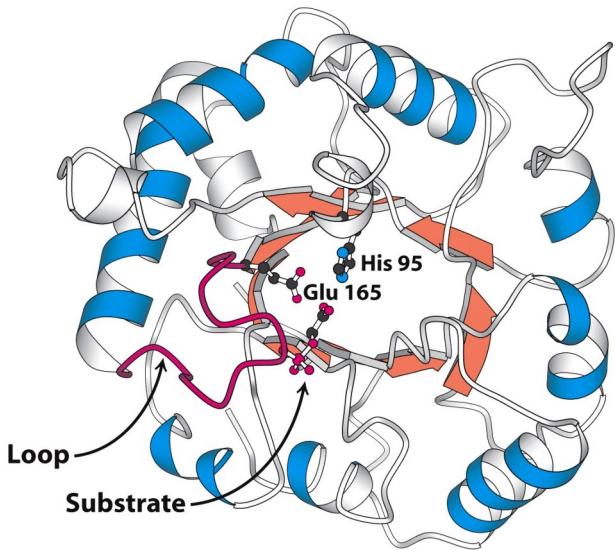
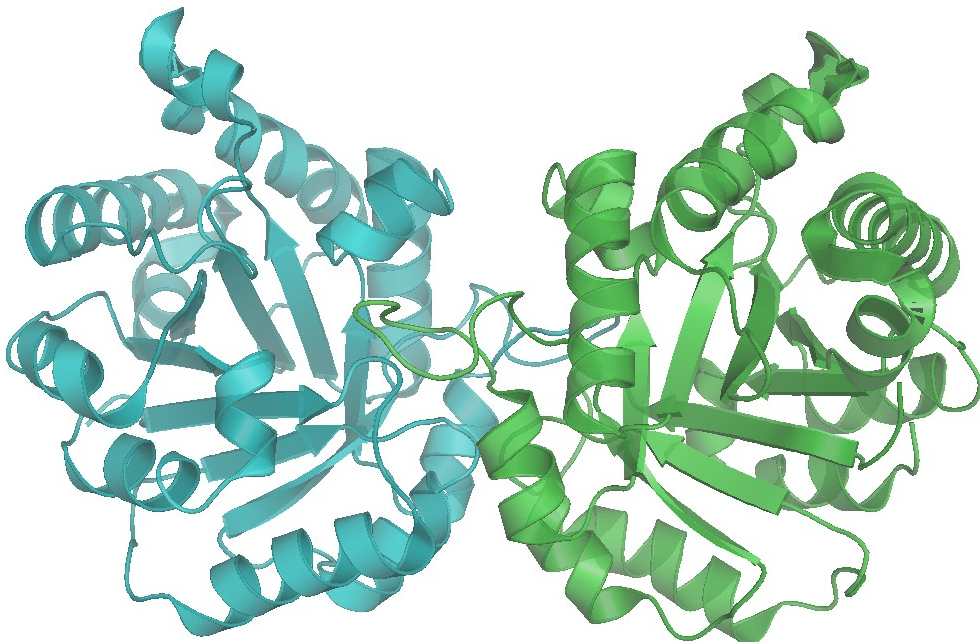


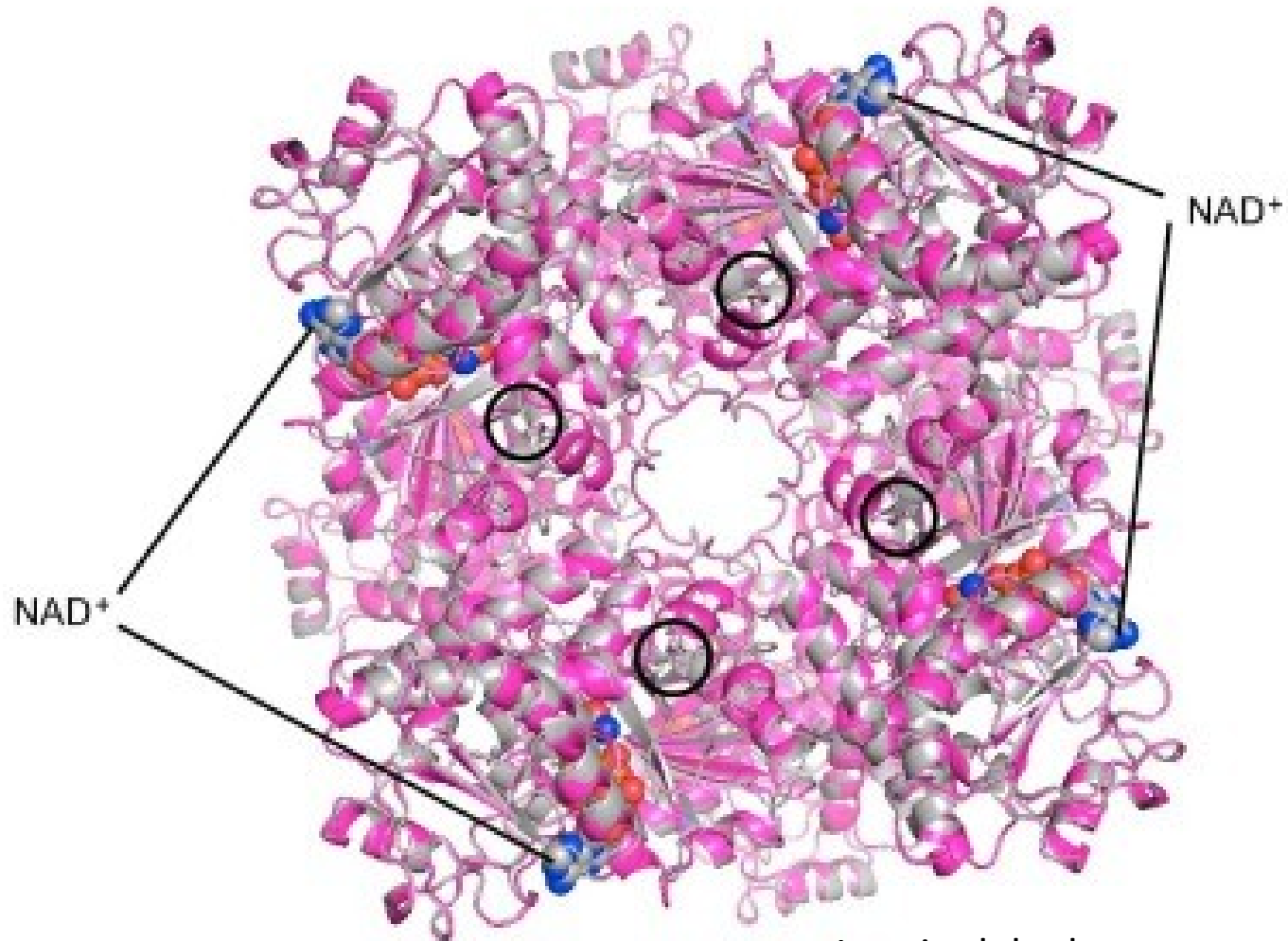
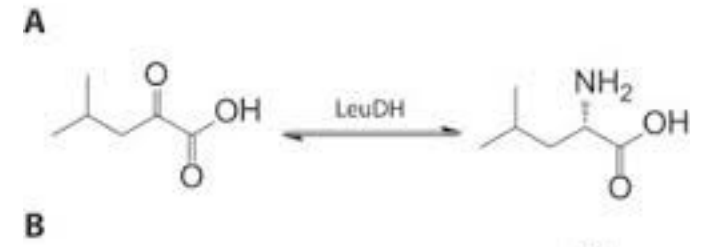
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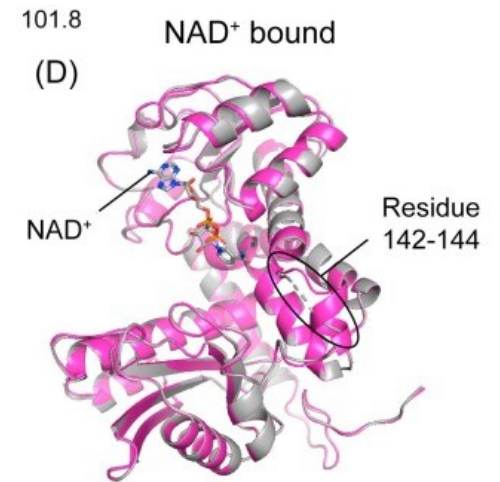
improve of enzyme functionality

Enzymes

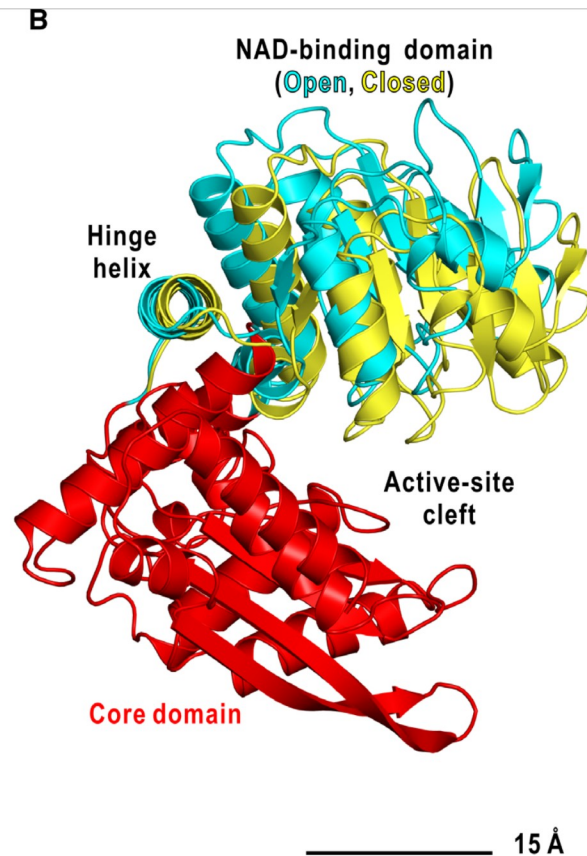
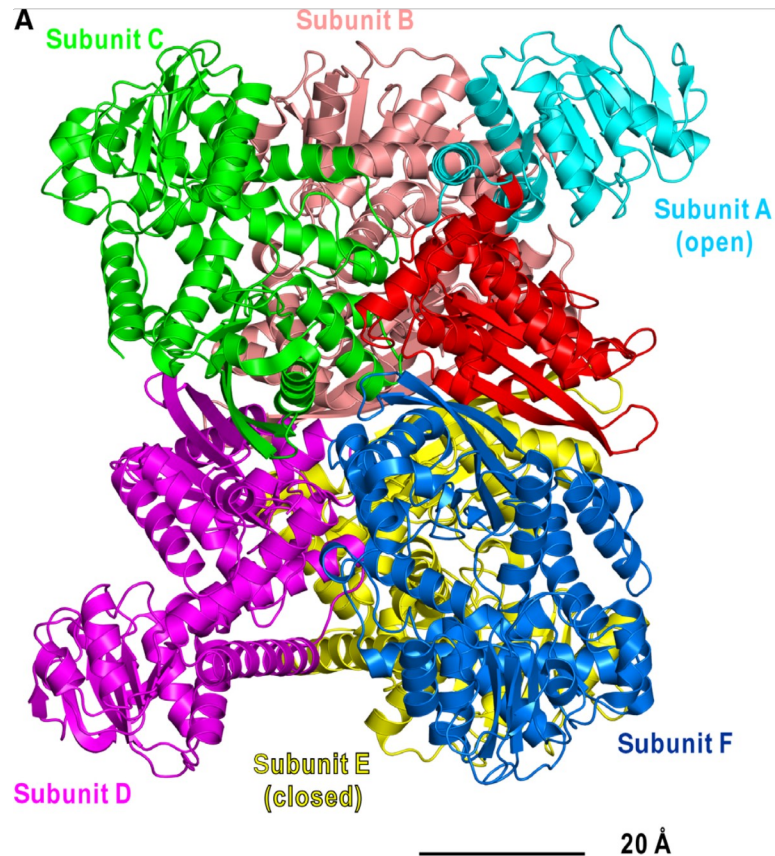
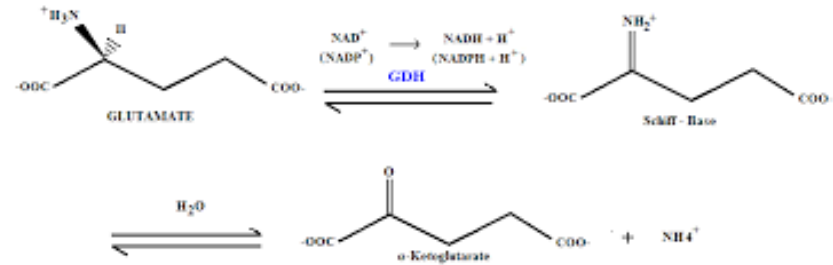
low K_m high k_{cat}



Leucine dehydrogenase octamer



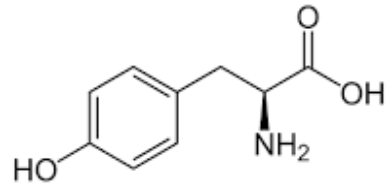
improve of enzyme functionality



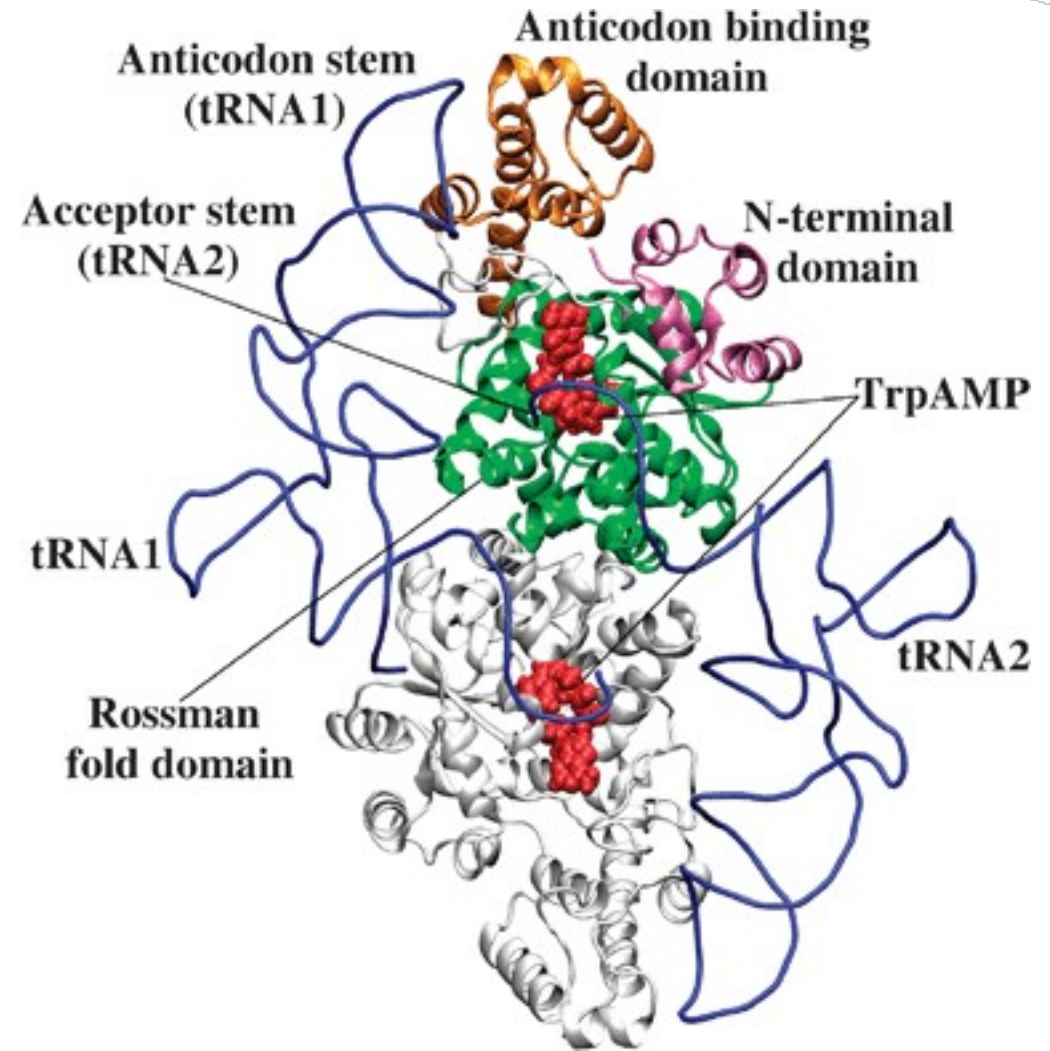
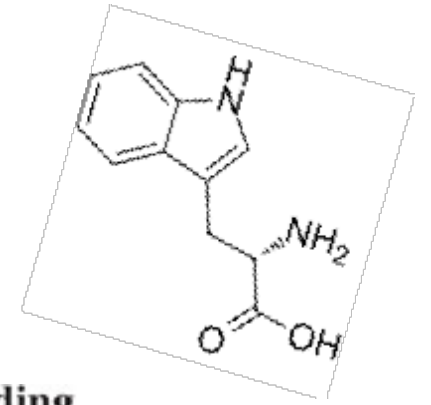
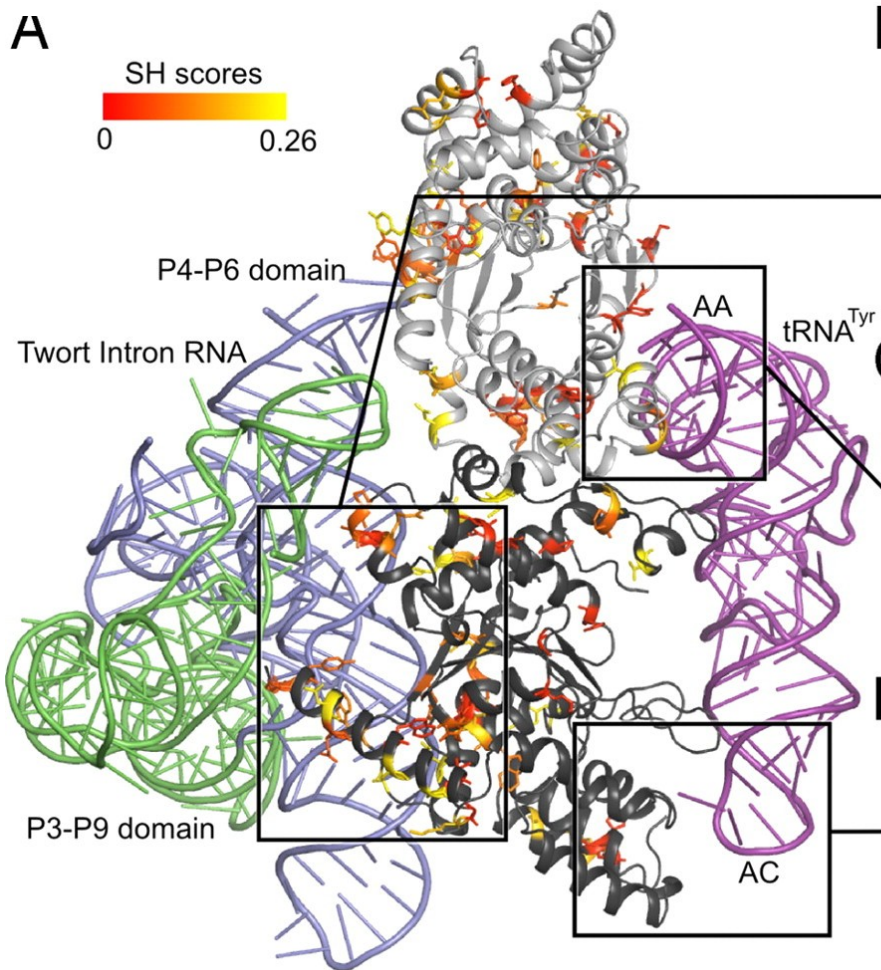
Glutamate dehydrogenase

improve of enzyme functionality

tyrosyl-tRNA and tryptophanyl-tRNA synthetases

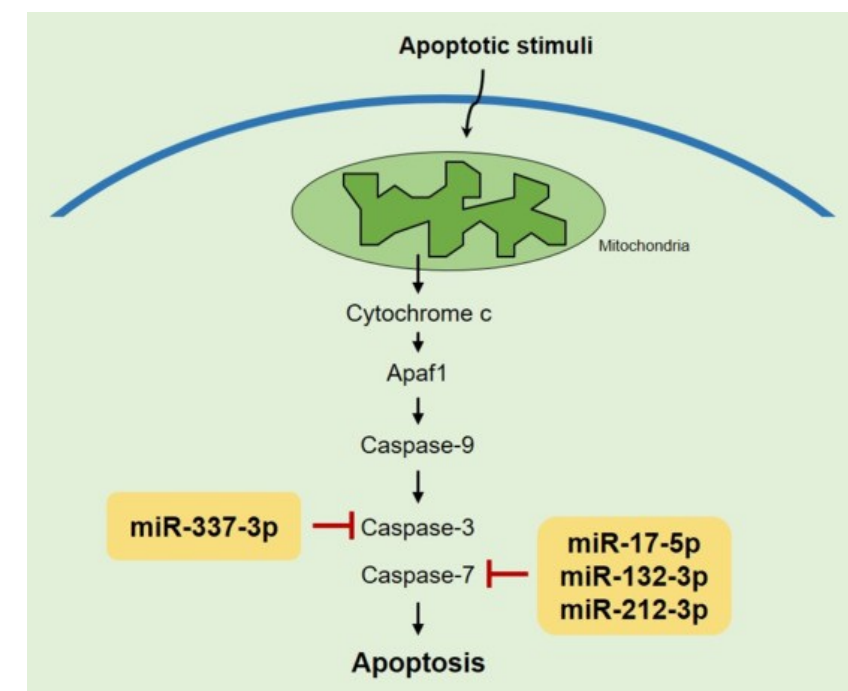
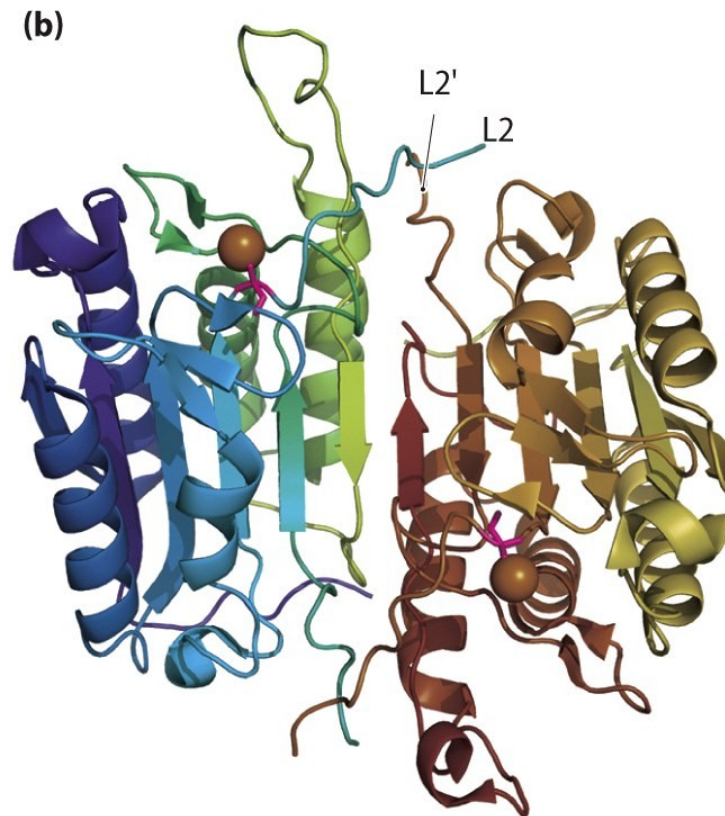
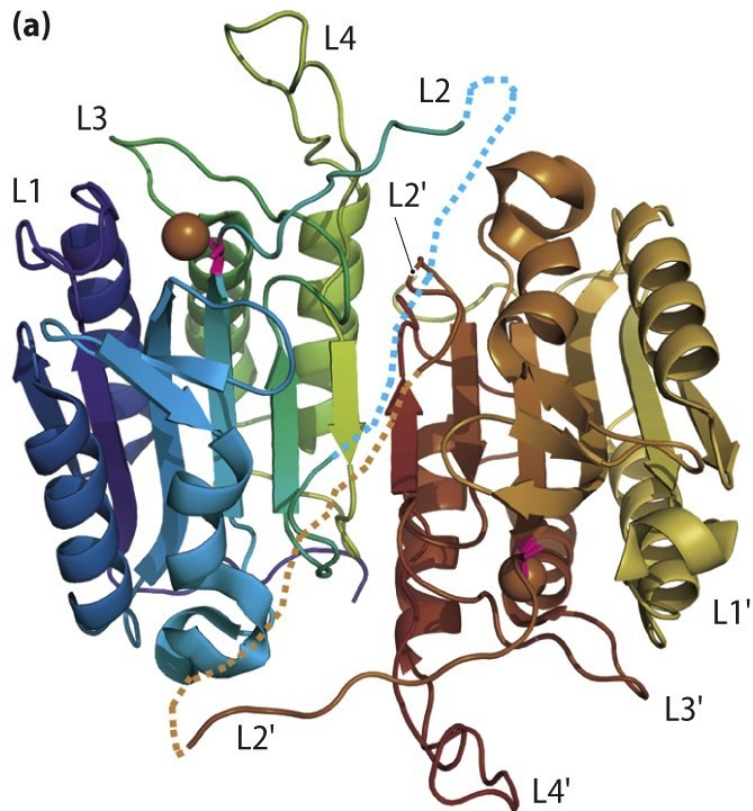


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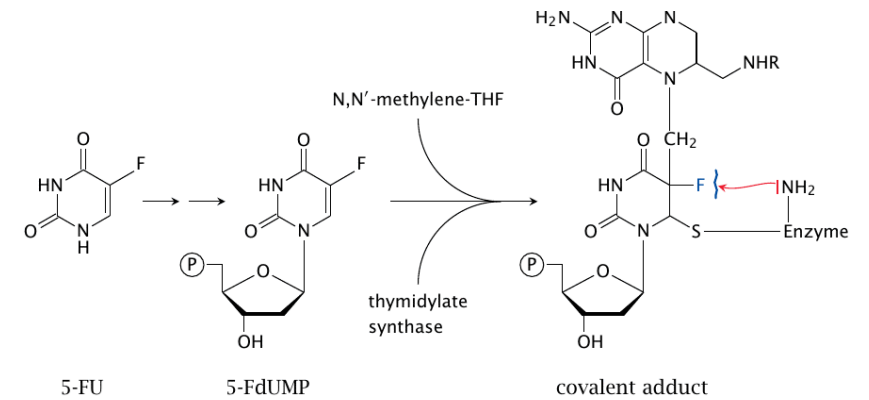
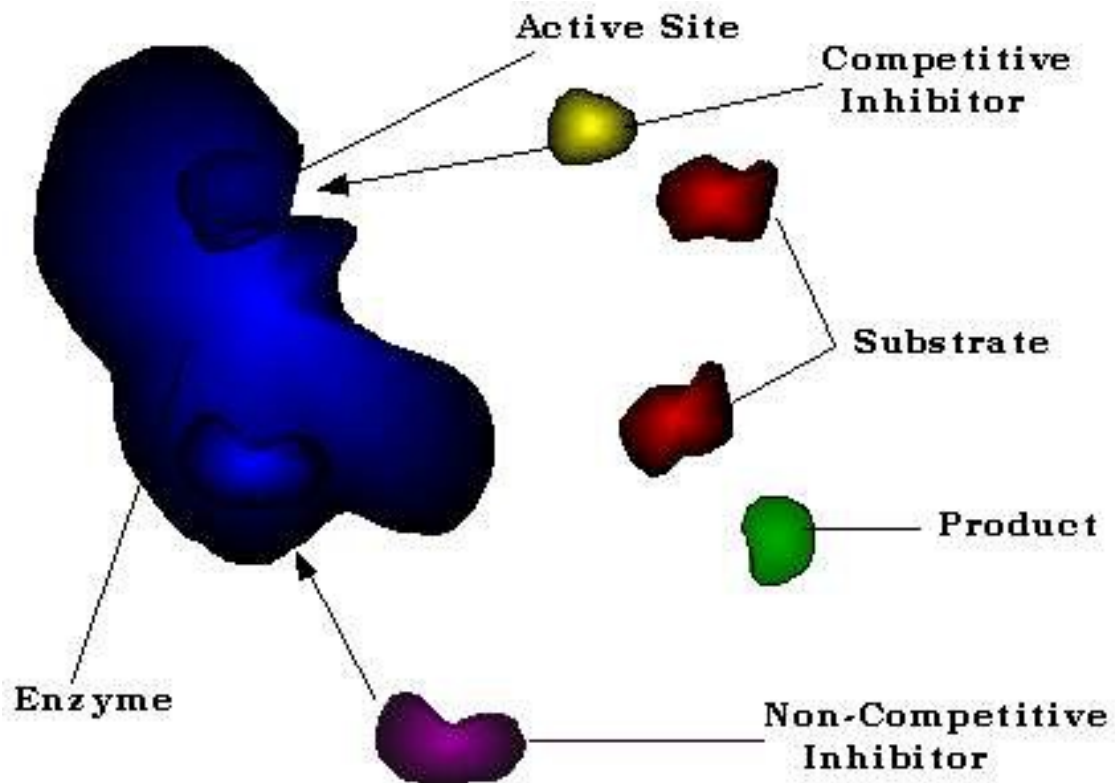
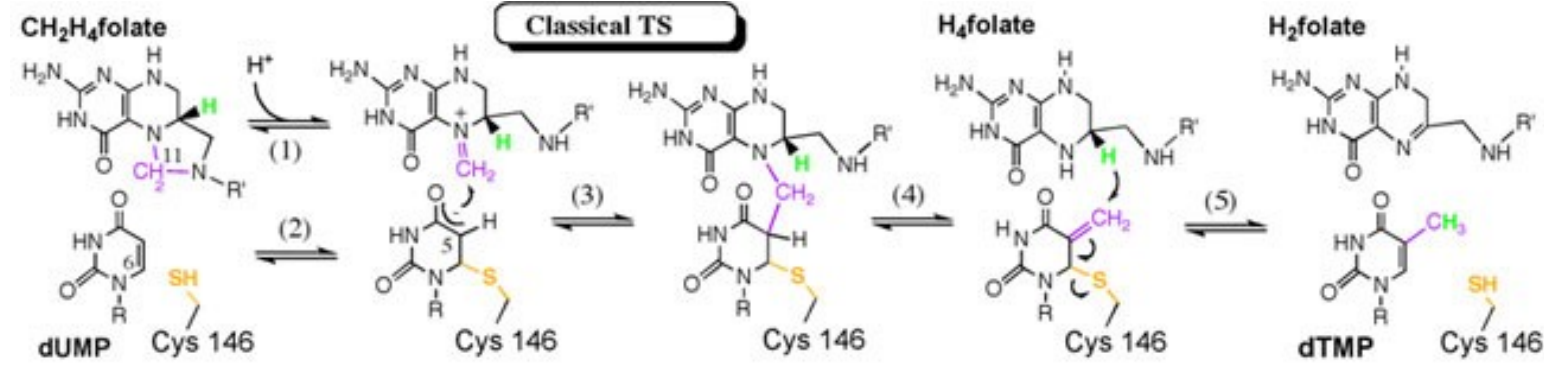


monomer/oligomer

activation of caspase-7 by proteolytic cleavage



Enzyme regulation



Irreversible
Active site-directed inhibitors

ligand-induced conformational change

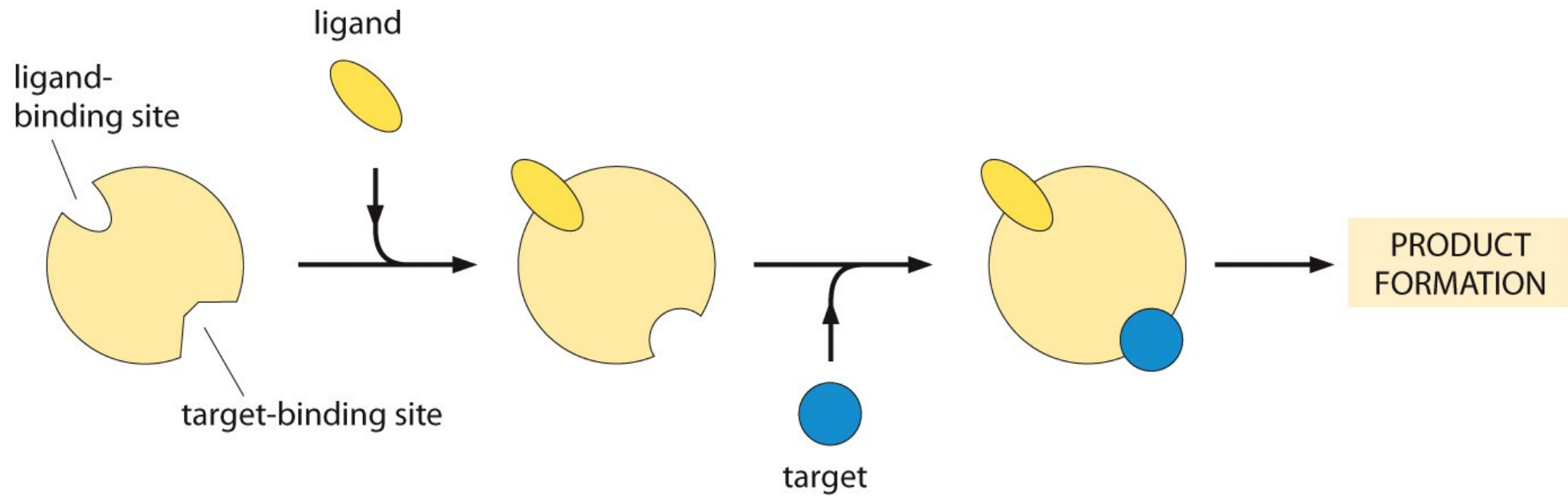
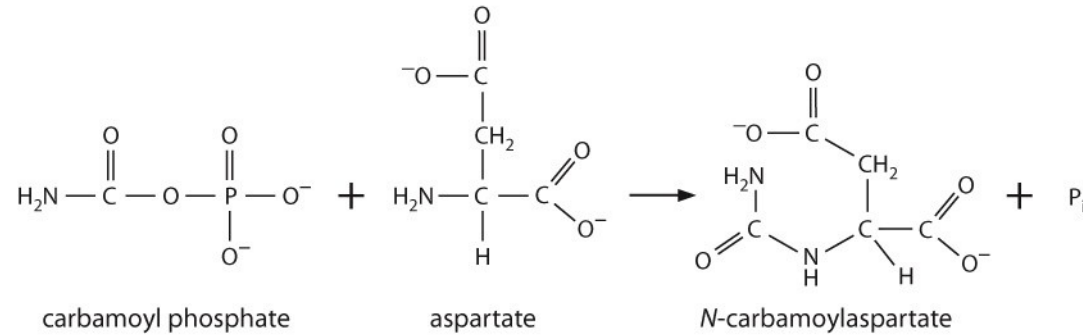


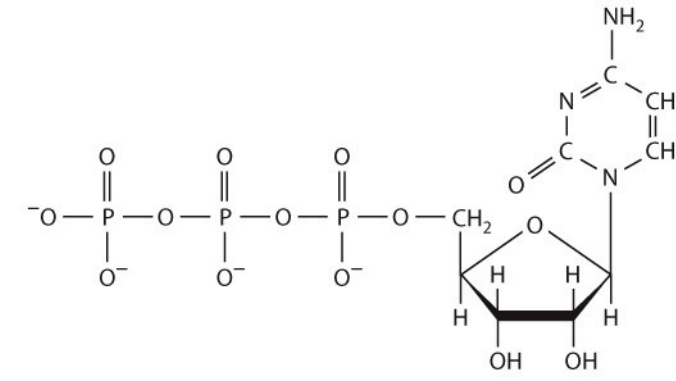
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allosteric regulation of a multi-subunit enzyme

A → B → C → D → E



aspartate transcarbamoylase



cytidine 5'-triphosphate (CTP)

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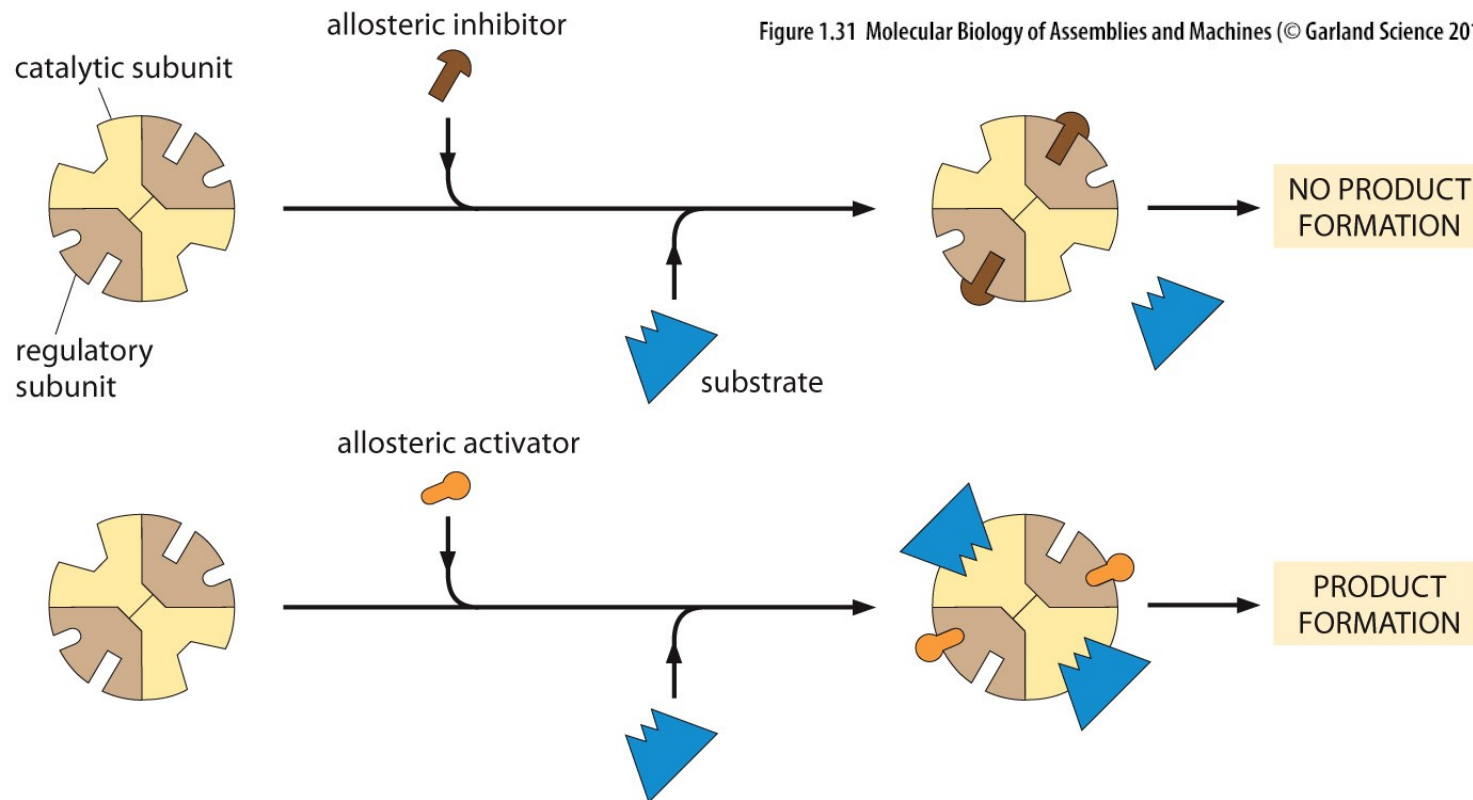


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kinetics of allosteric enzymes

$$L_0 = [T]/[R]$$

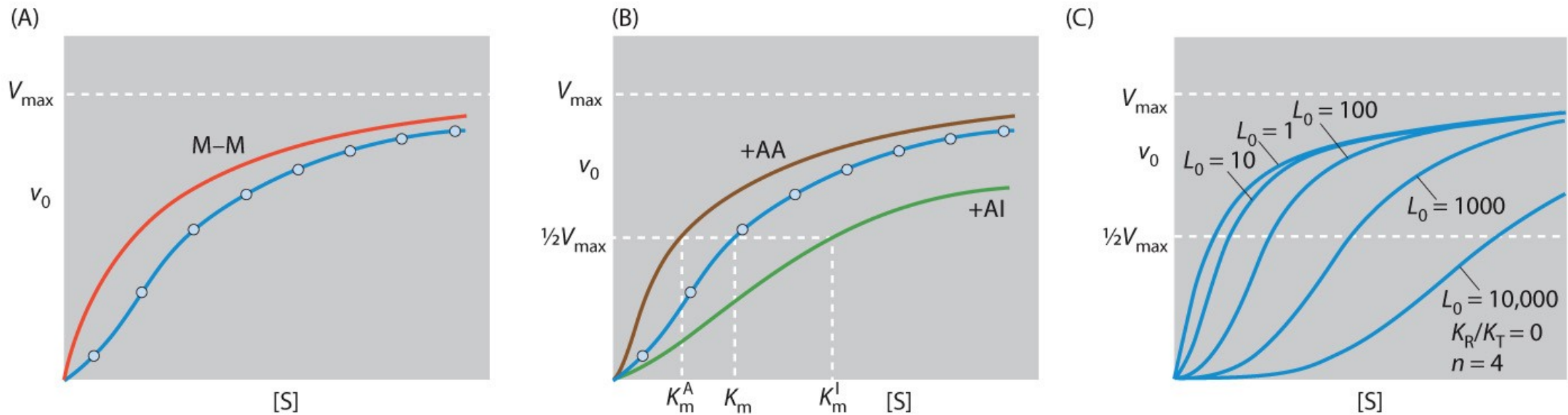


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allostery

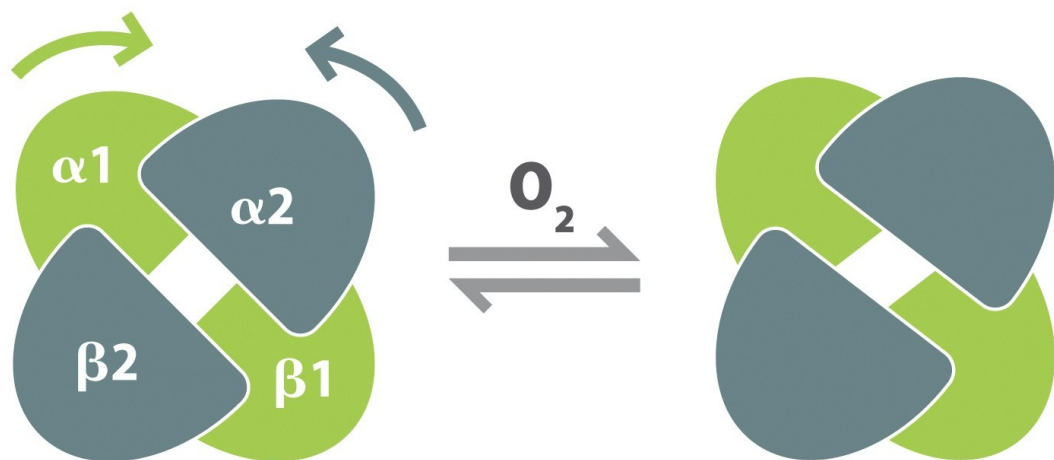
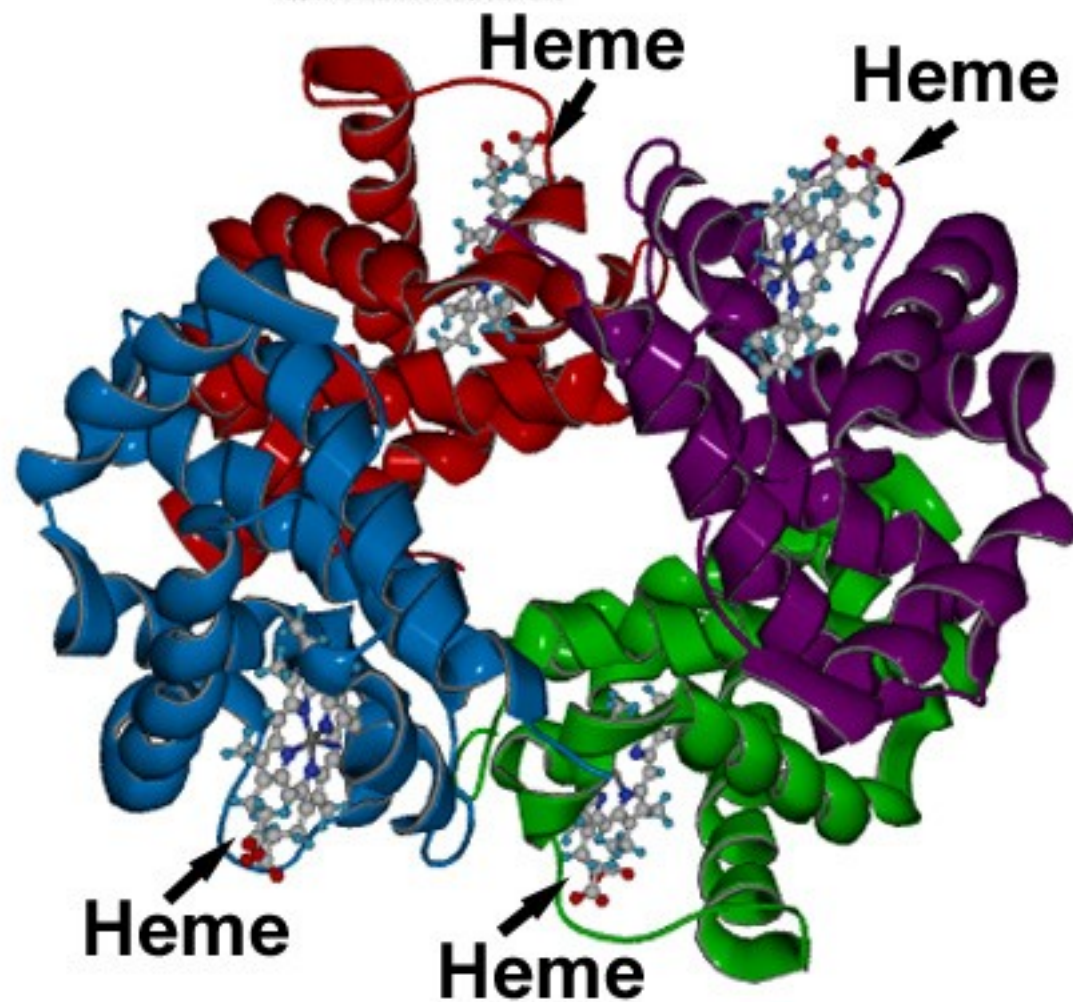
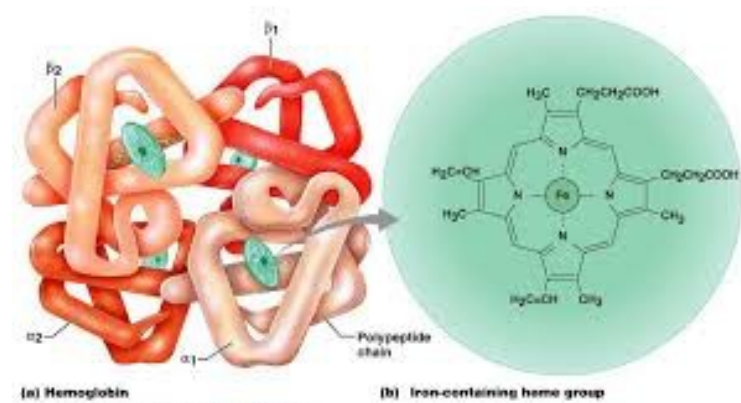


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Hemoglobin



effects of oxygen binding

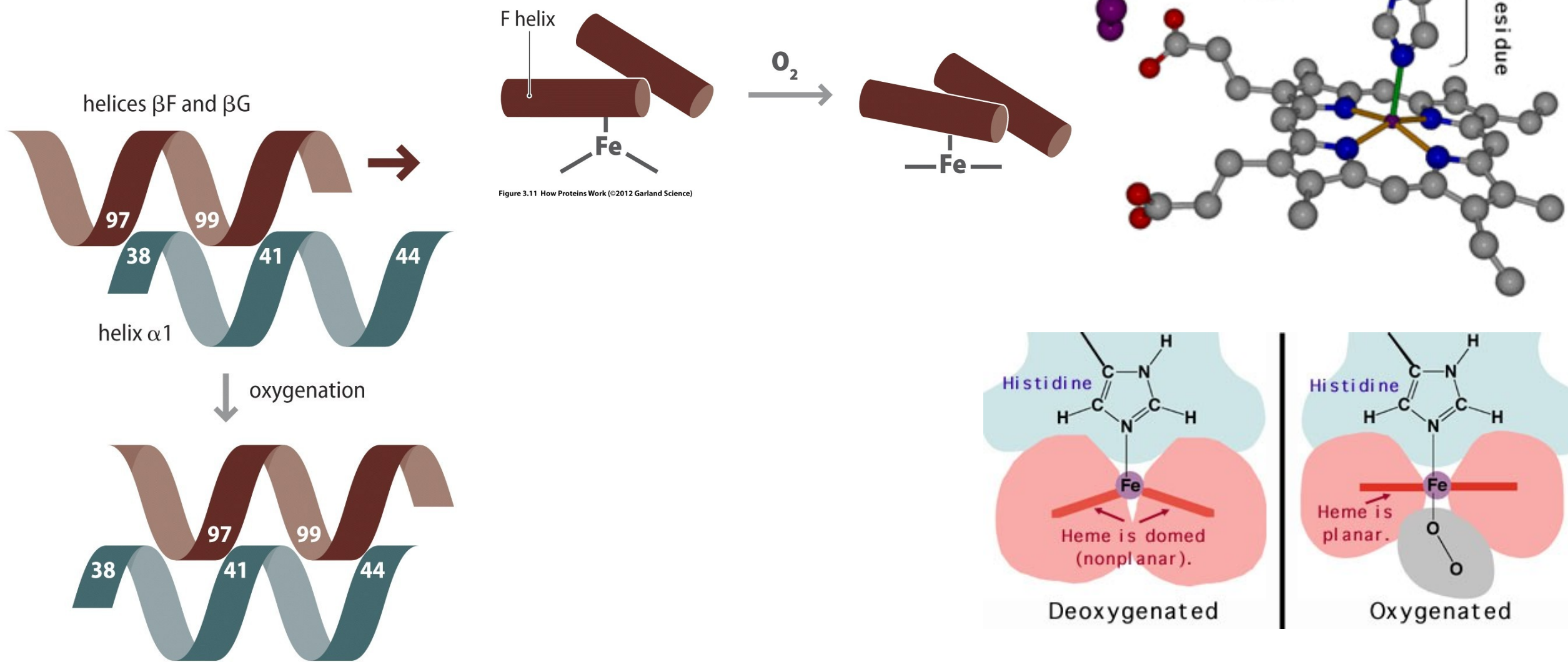


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oxygen saturation-cooperative binding

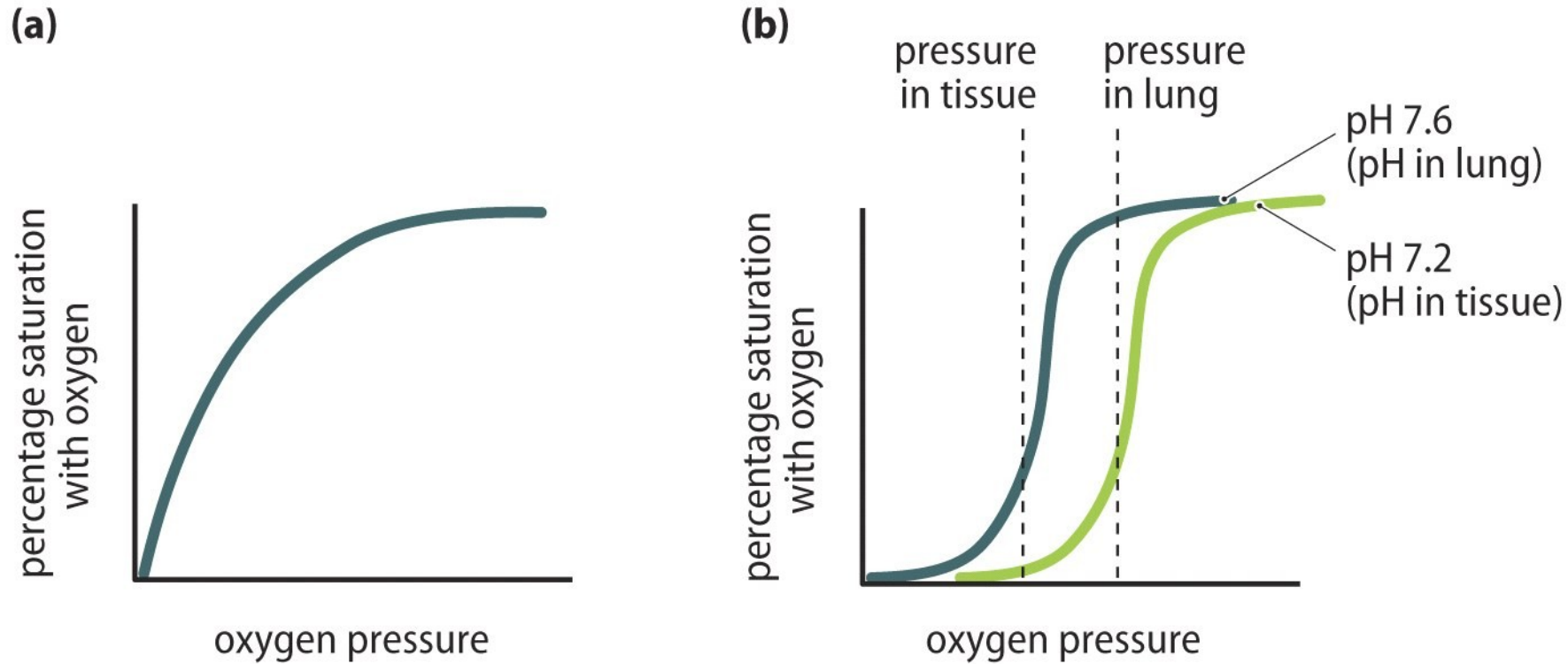
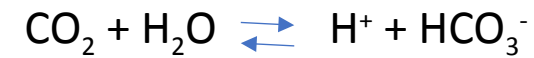
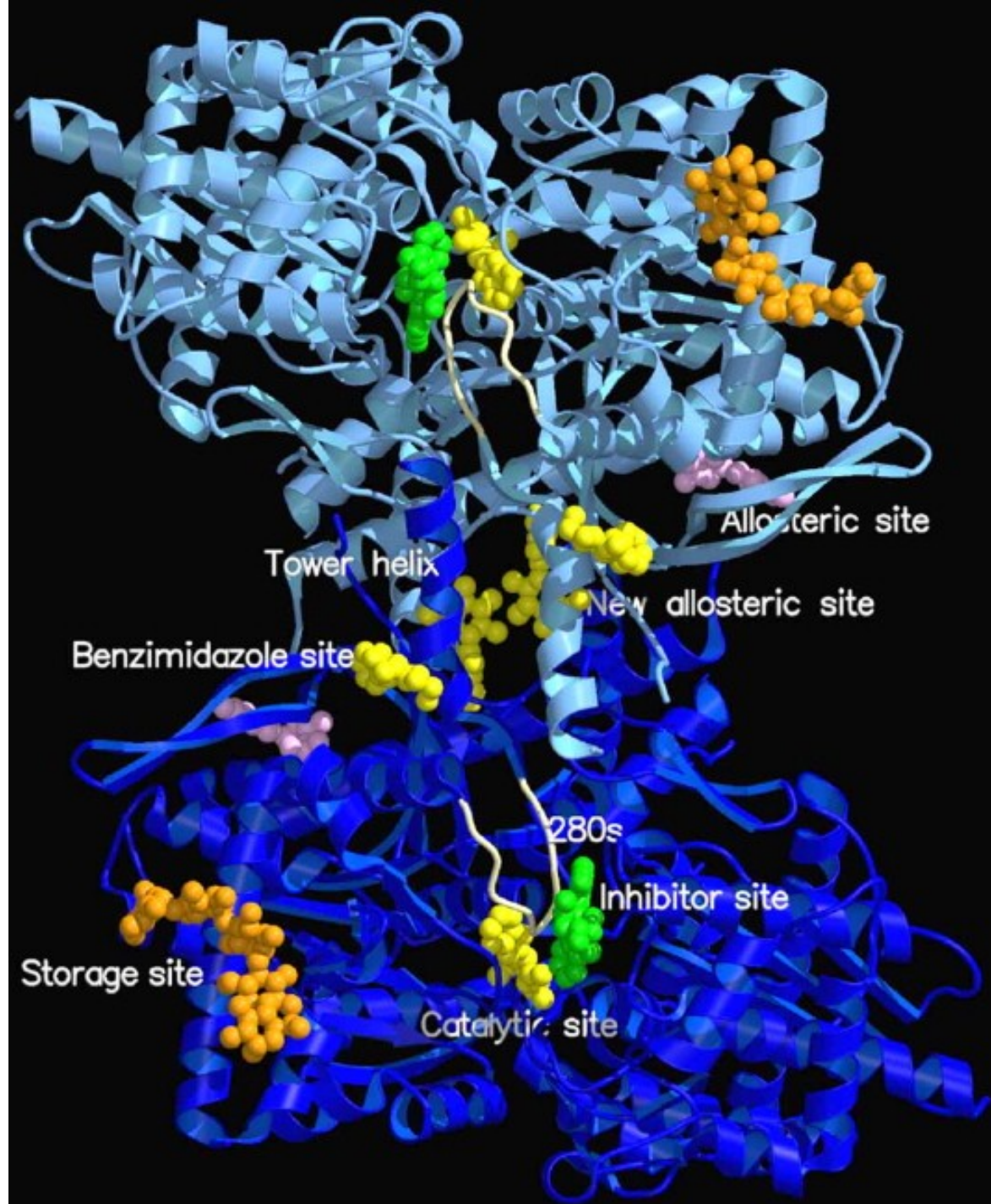
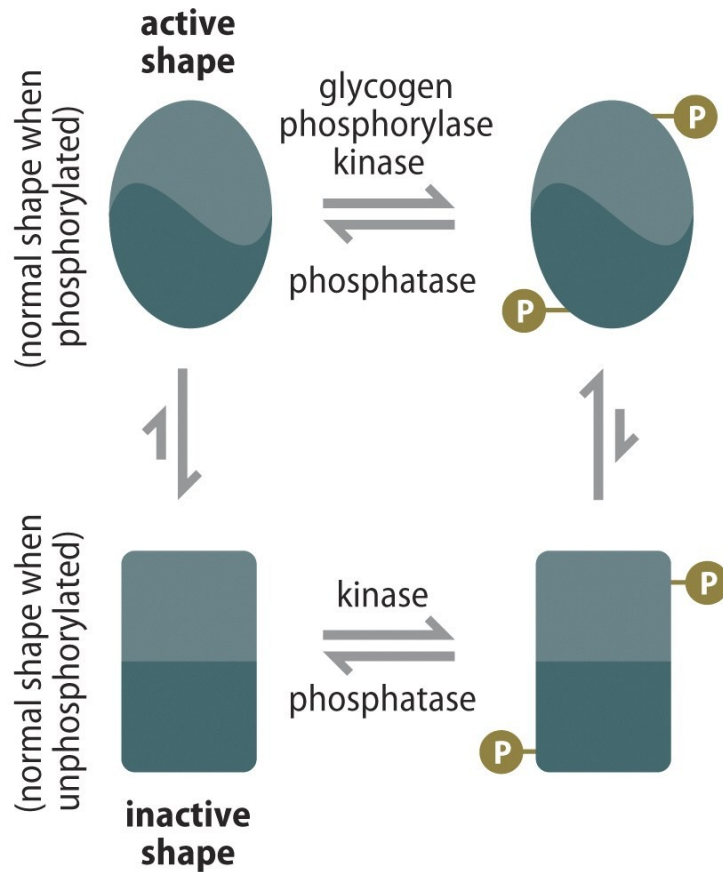
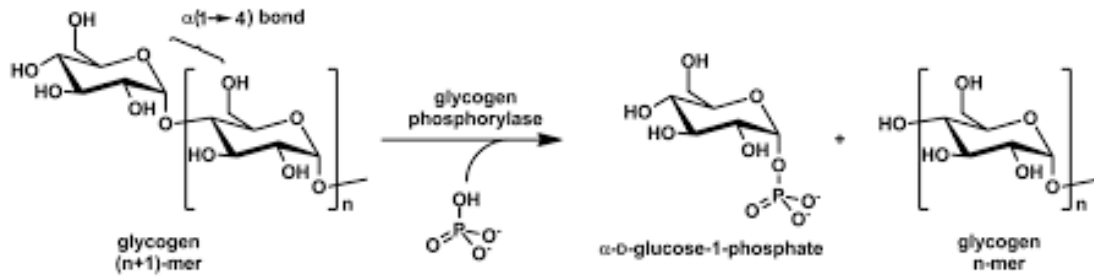


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glycogen phosphorylase



glycogen phosphorylase

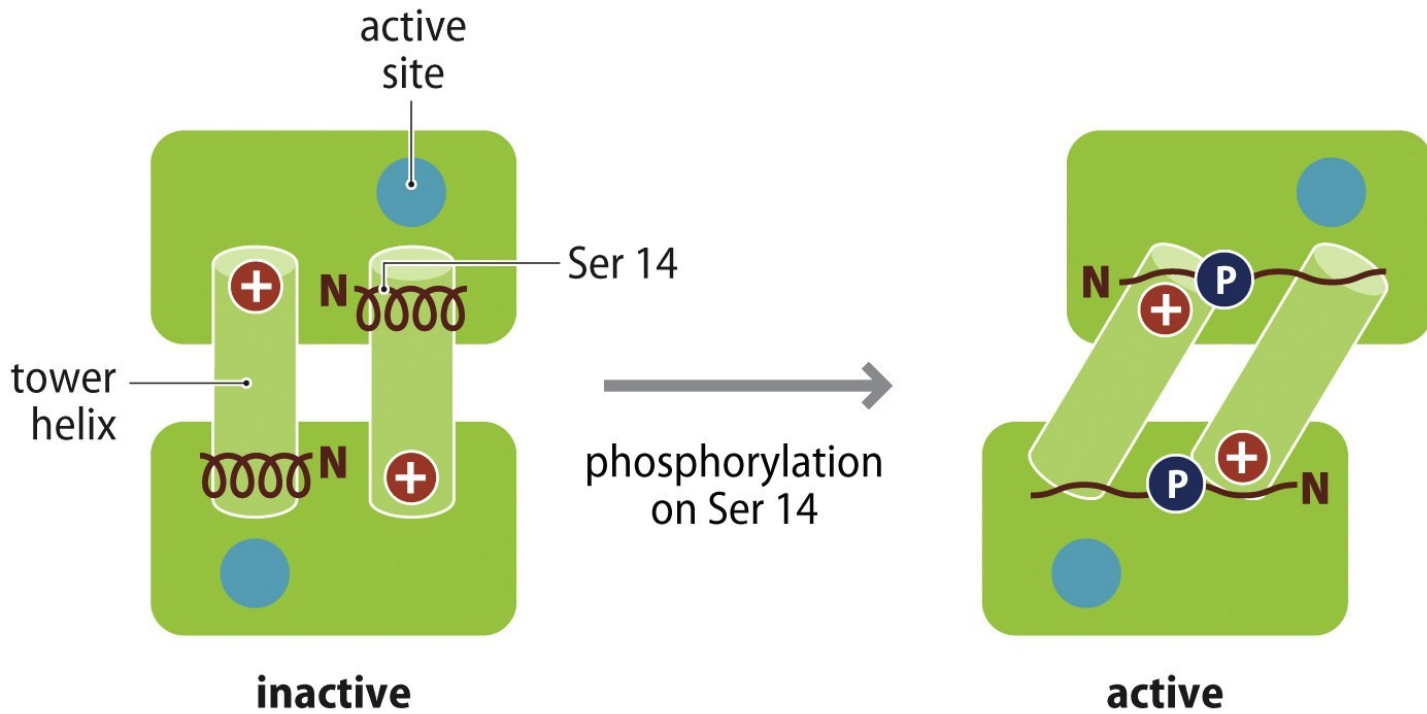
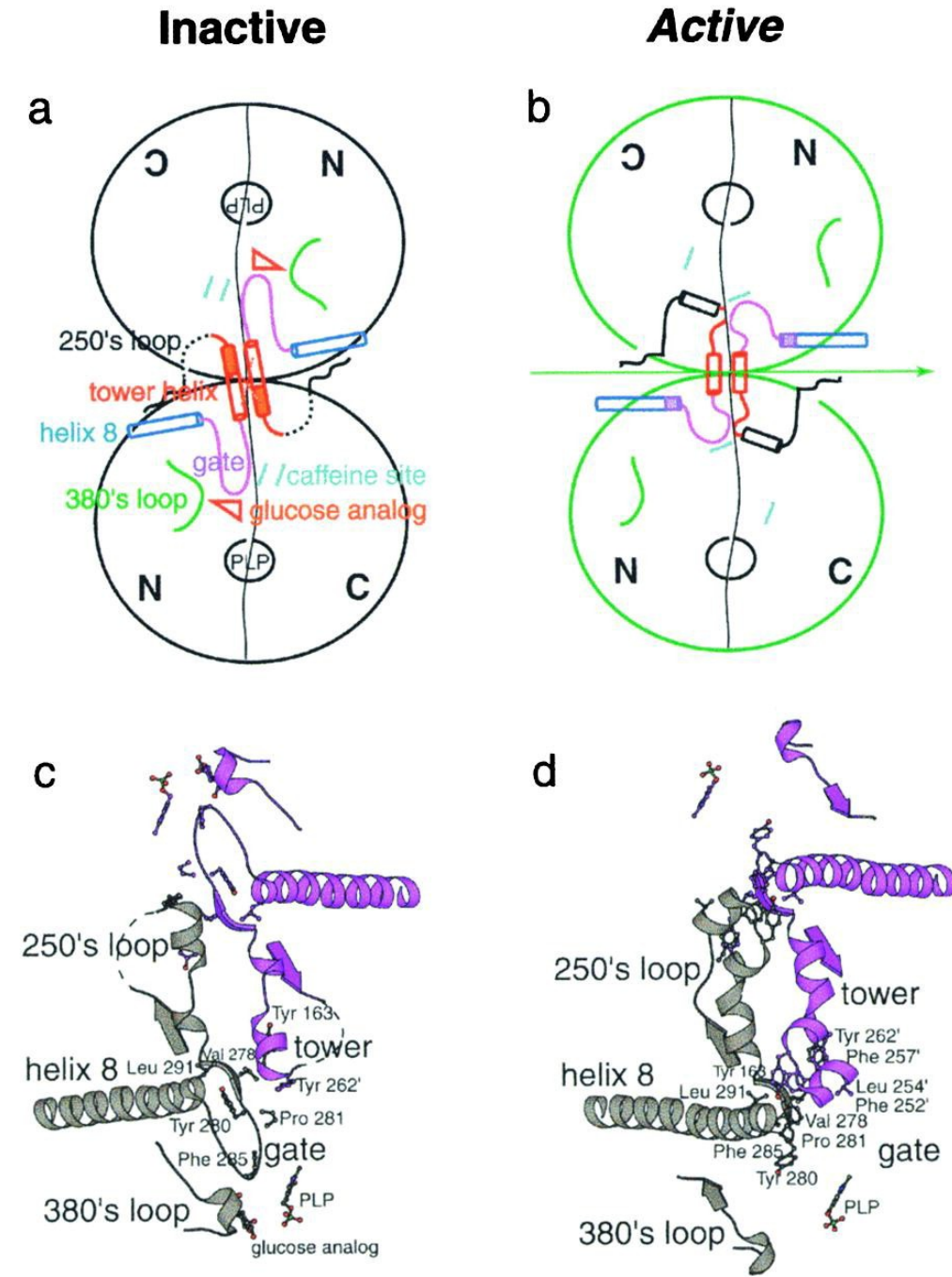
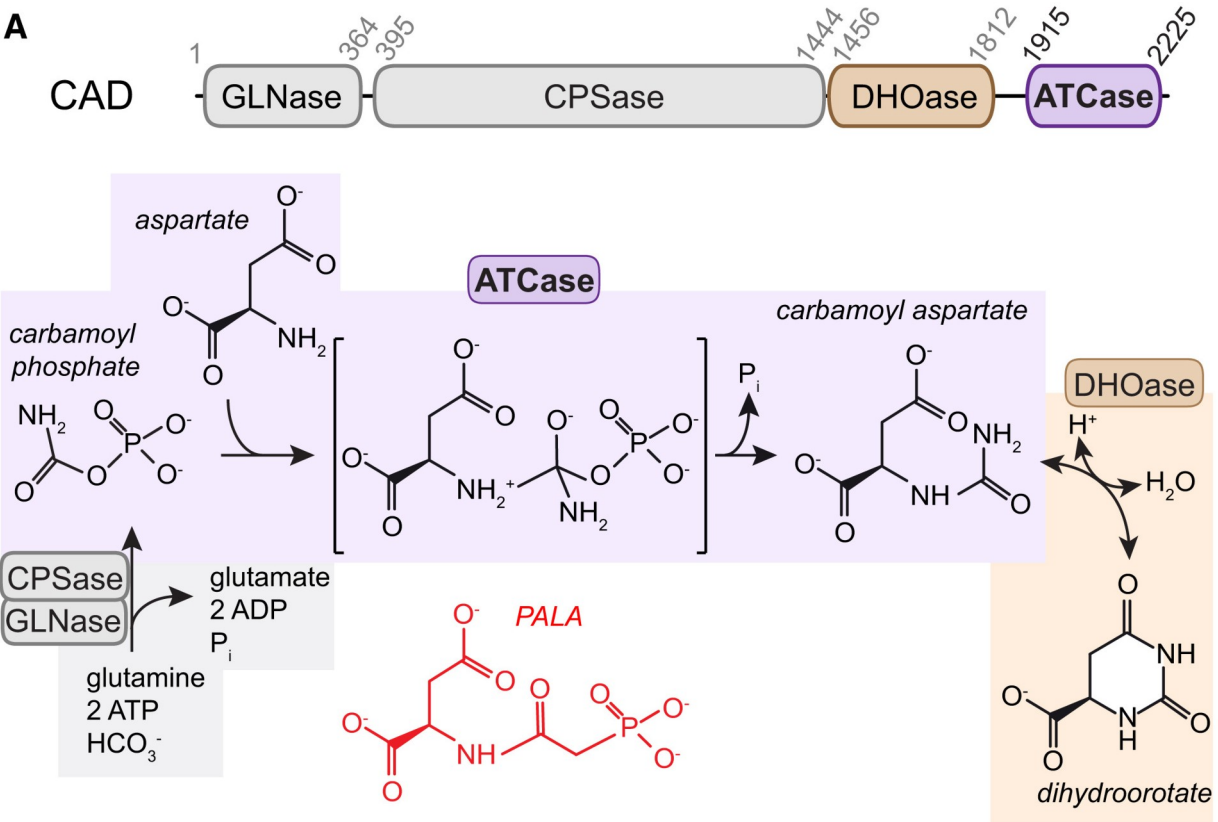


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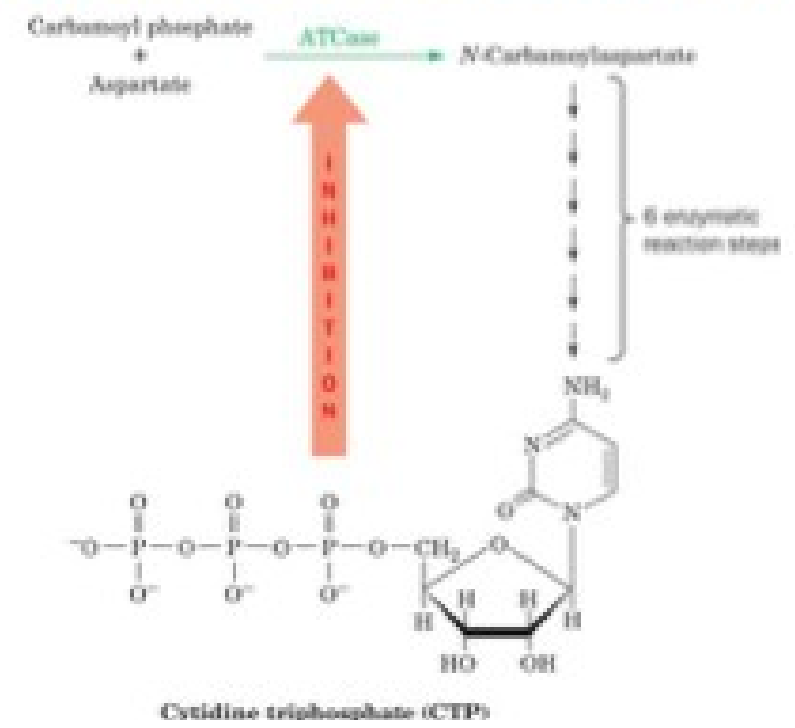
Catalytic face



aspartate transcarbamoylase



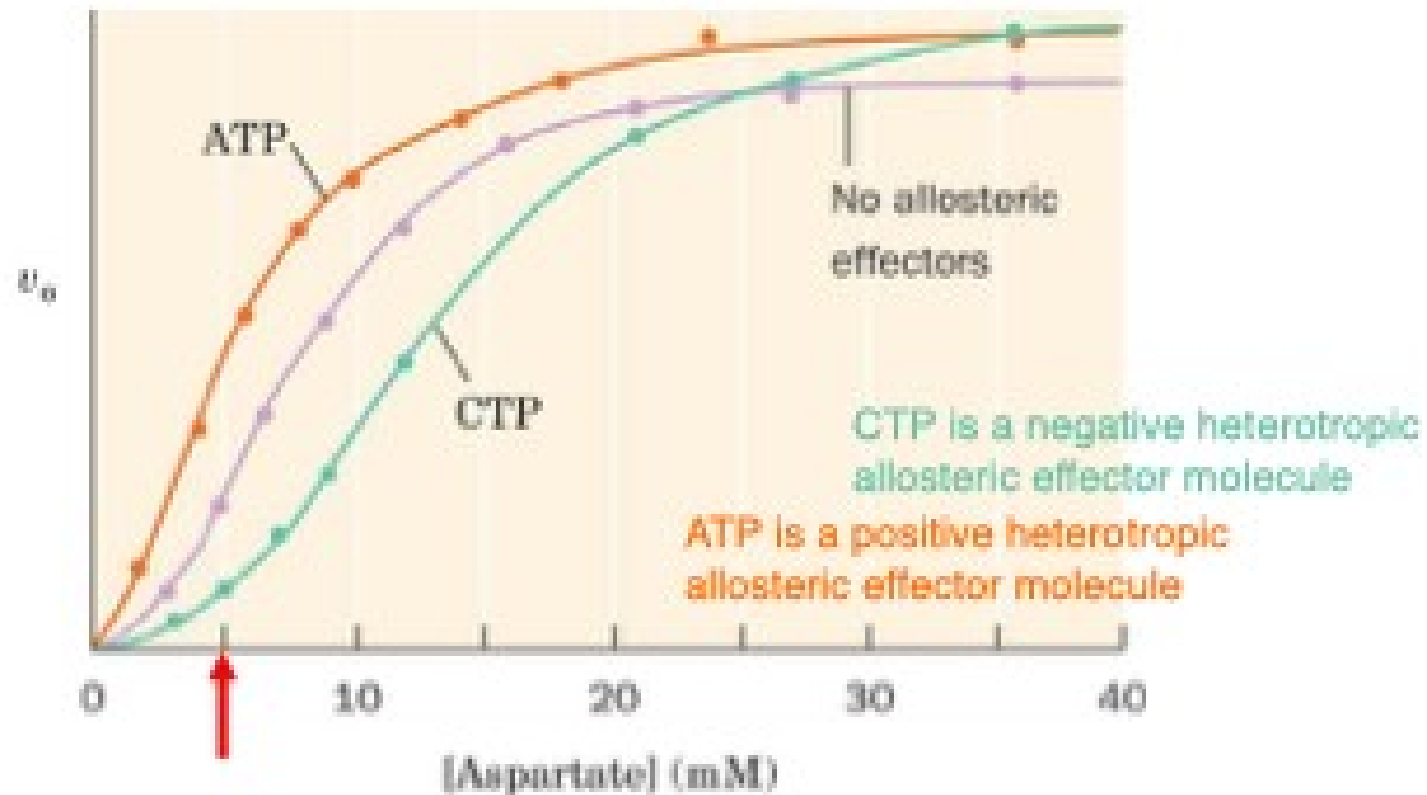
Pyrimidine Biosynthesis: ATCase Feedback Inhibition



Anti-tumoral Drug PALA

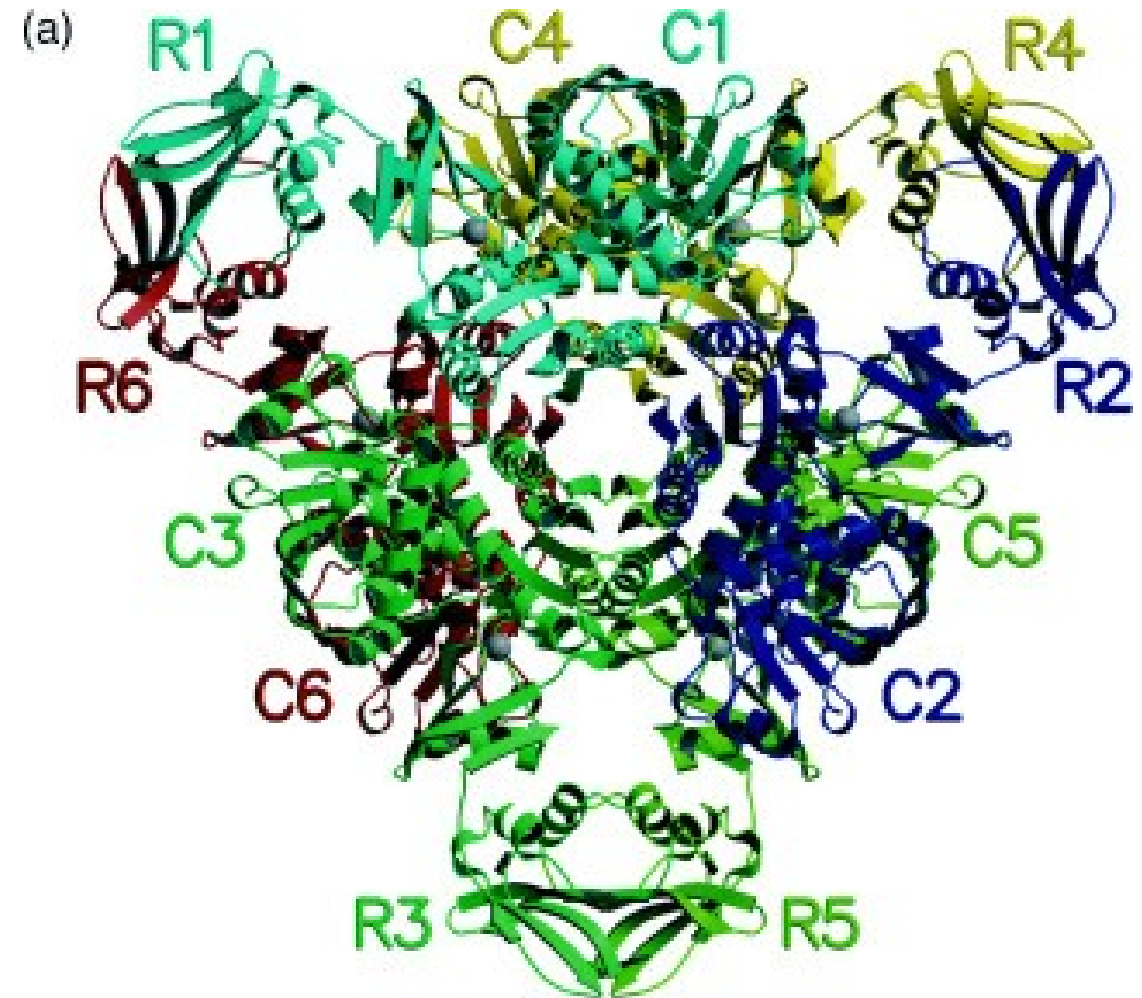
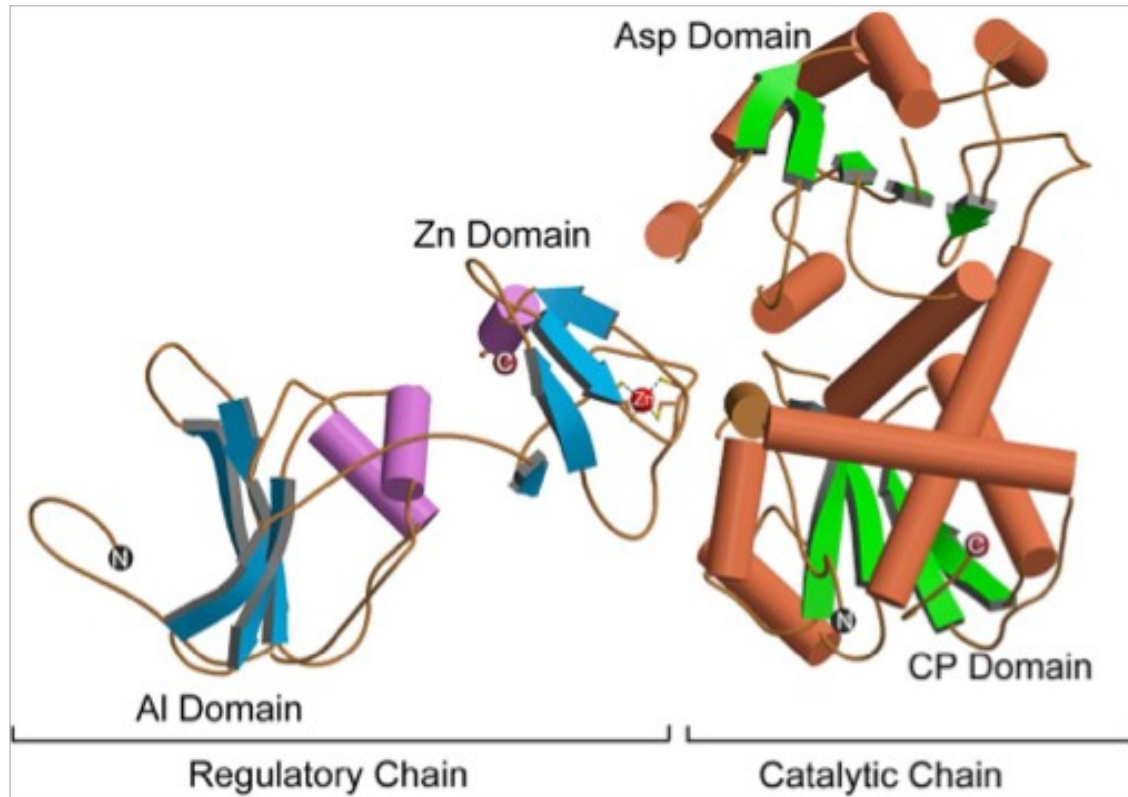
Control by Allostery

Allosteric Effectors: ATCase Reaction



After Kantrowitz, E.R., Pastra-Landis, S.C., and Lipscomb, W.N.,
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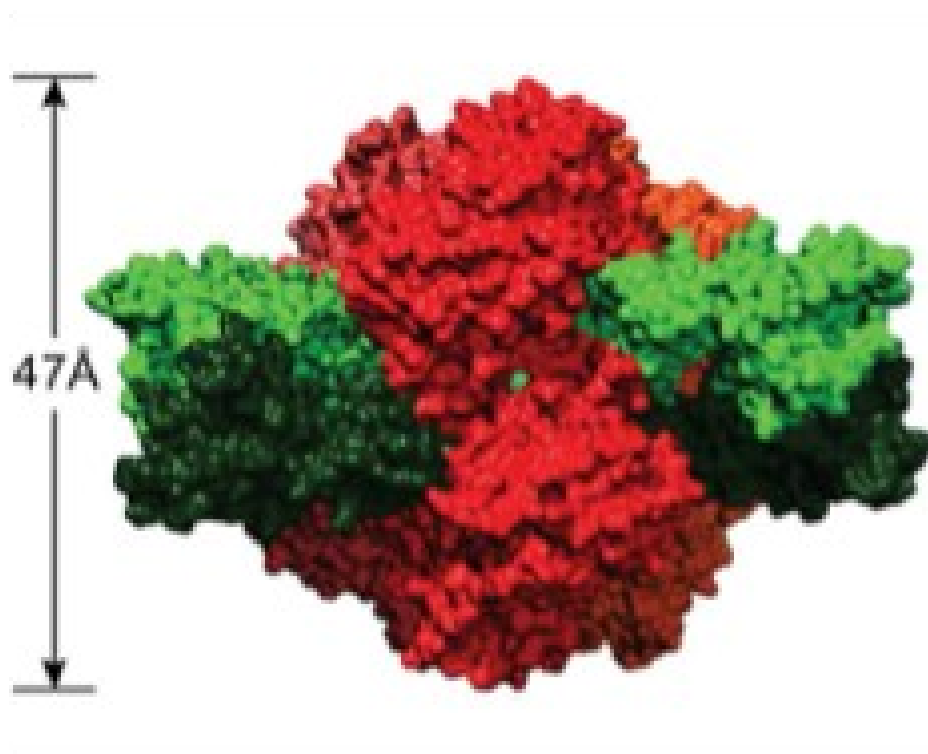
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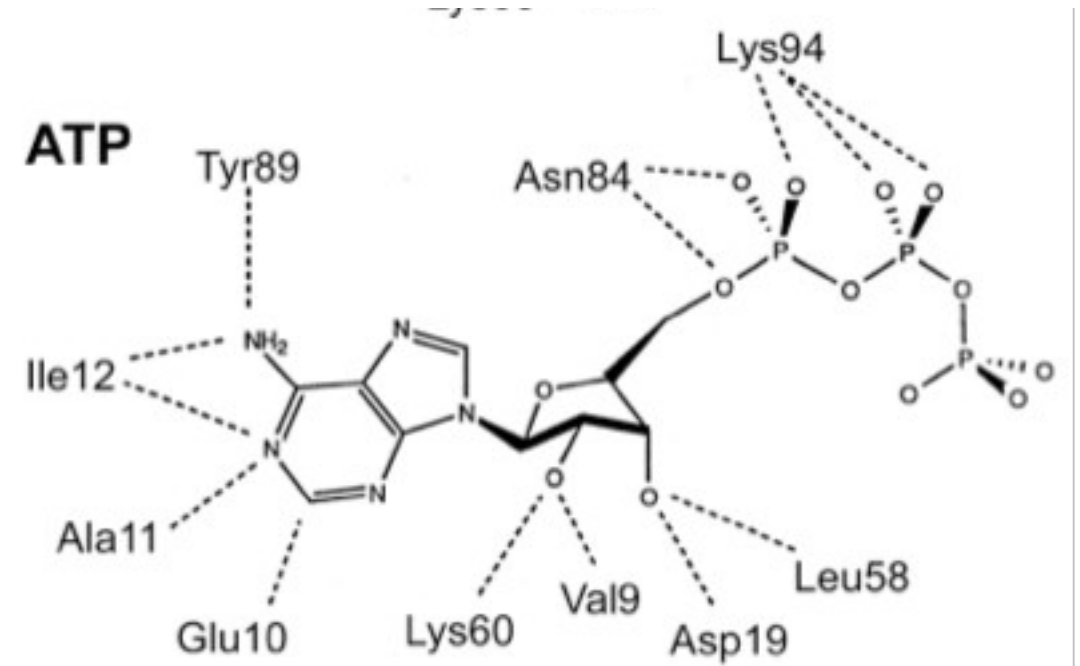
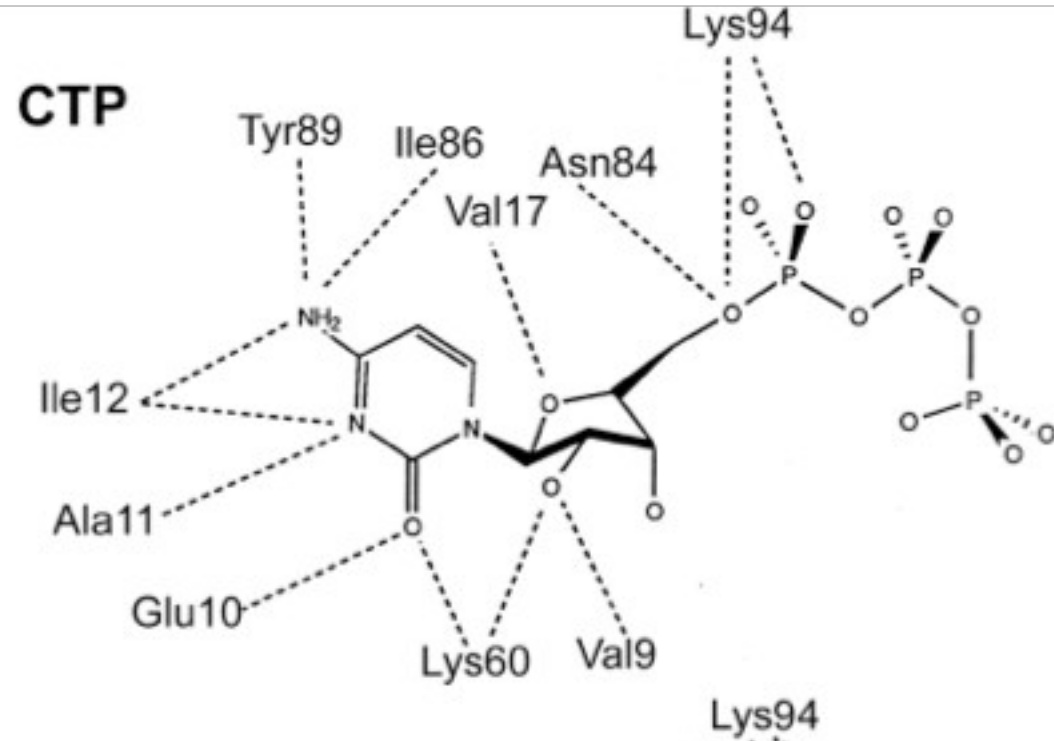
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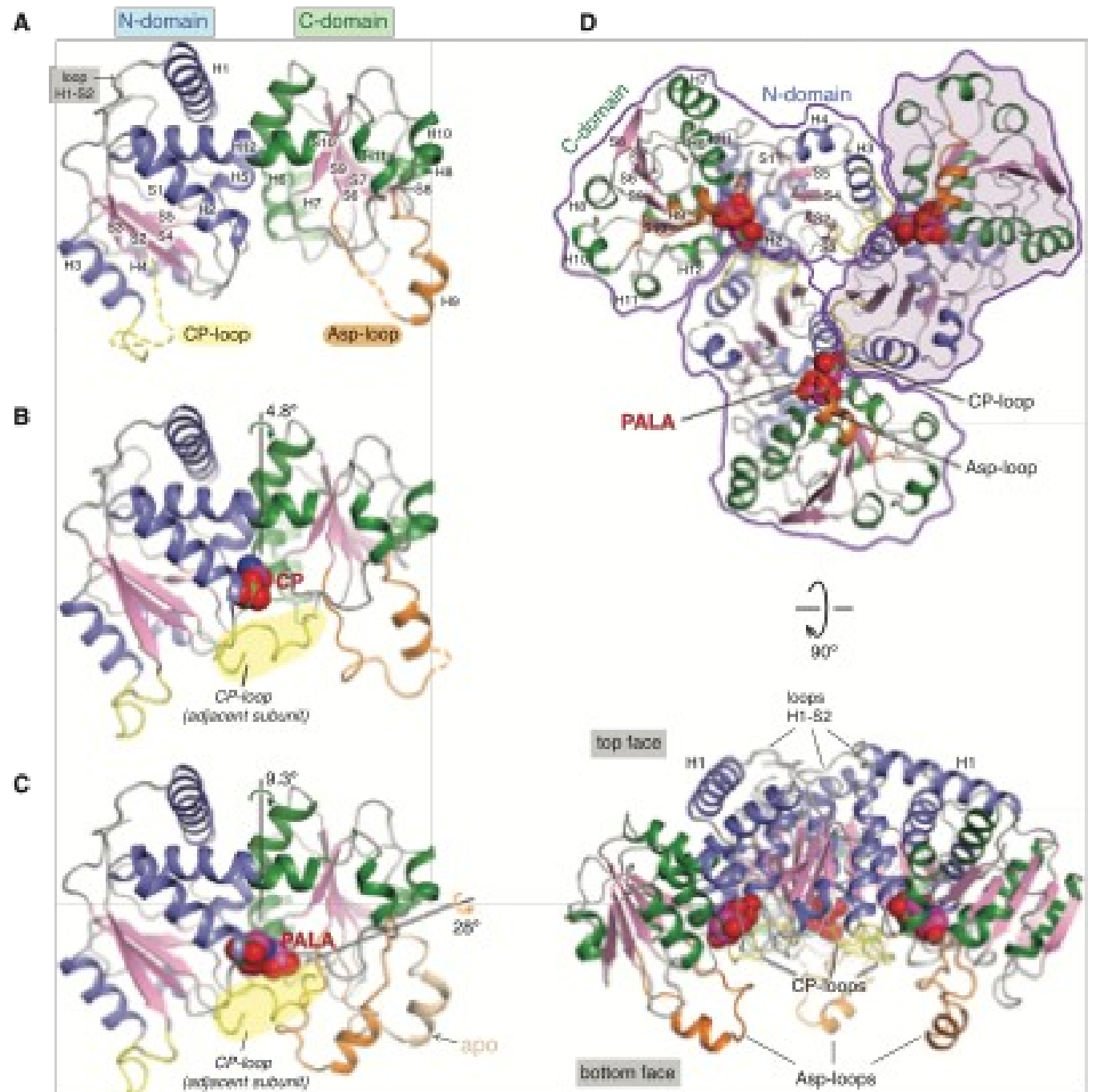
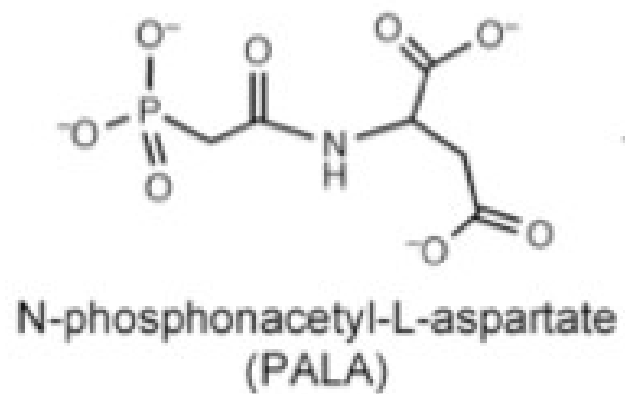
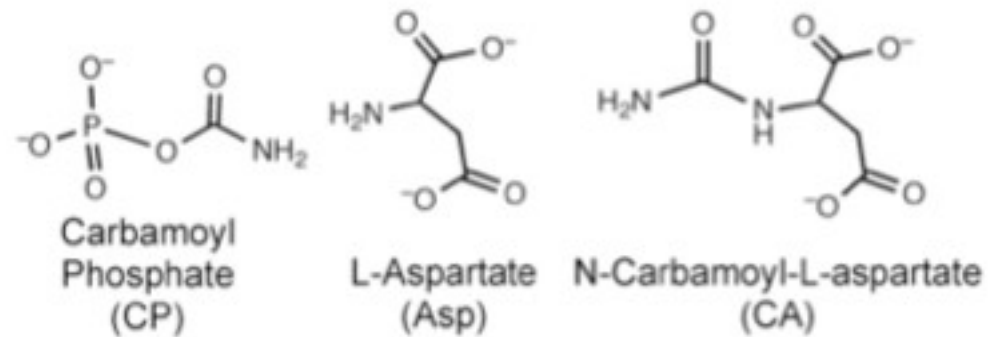
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6 CTP

Effectors binding

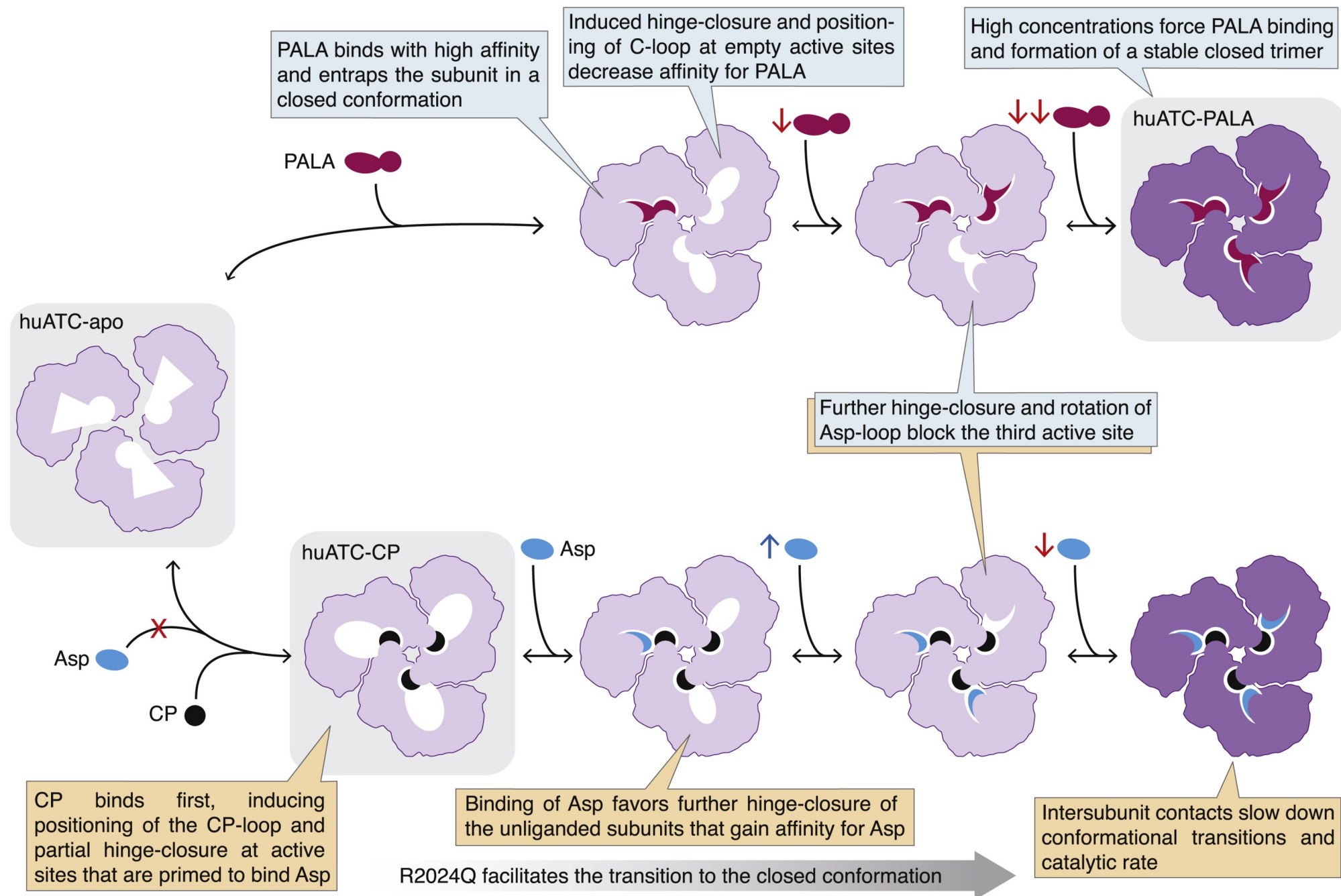




open state

partially closed state

closed state



activation

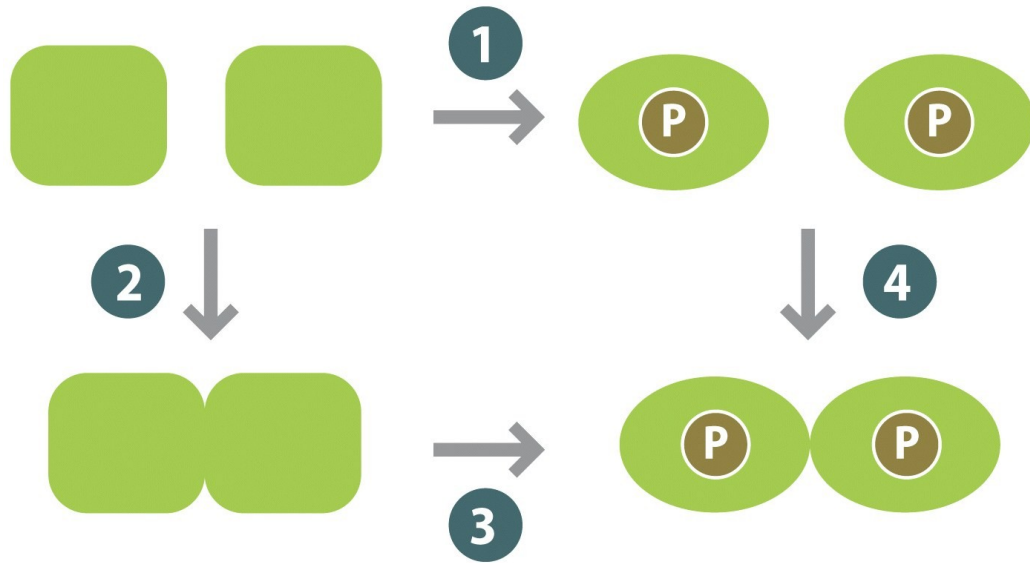


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$$\Delta G_1 + \Delta G_4 = \Delta G_2 + \Delta G_3$$

Translation and rotation entropy

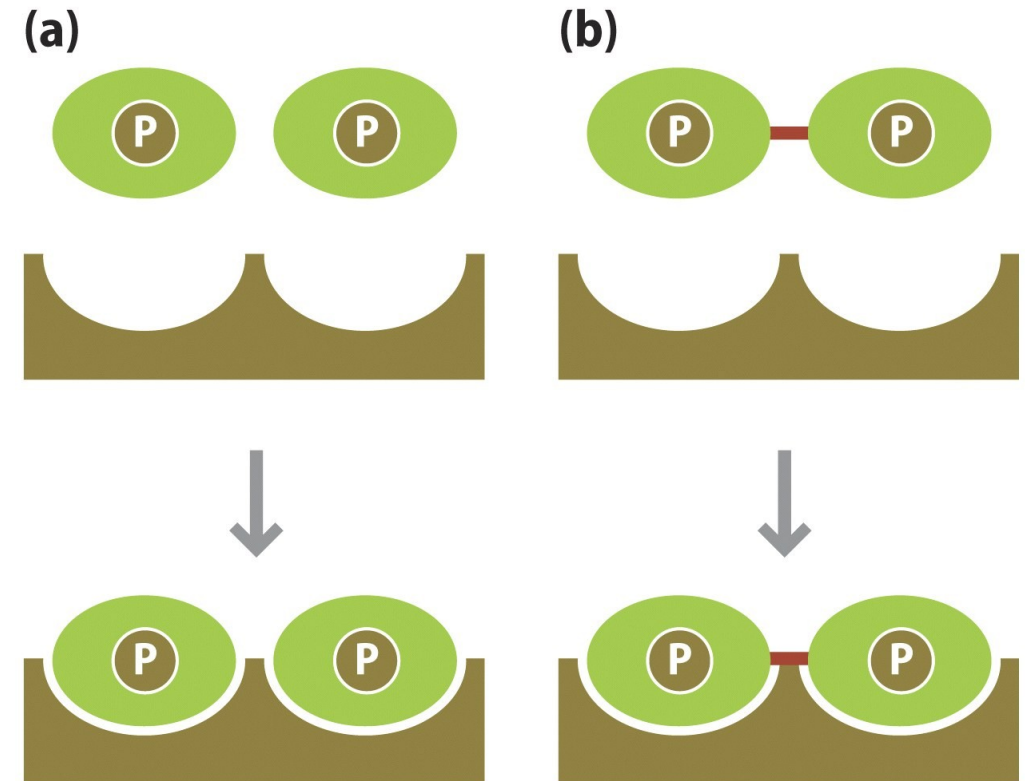


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Sequence-specific binding to DNA

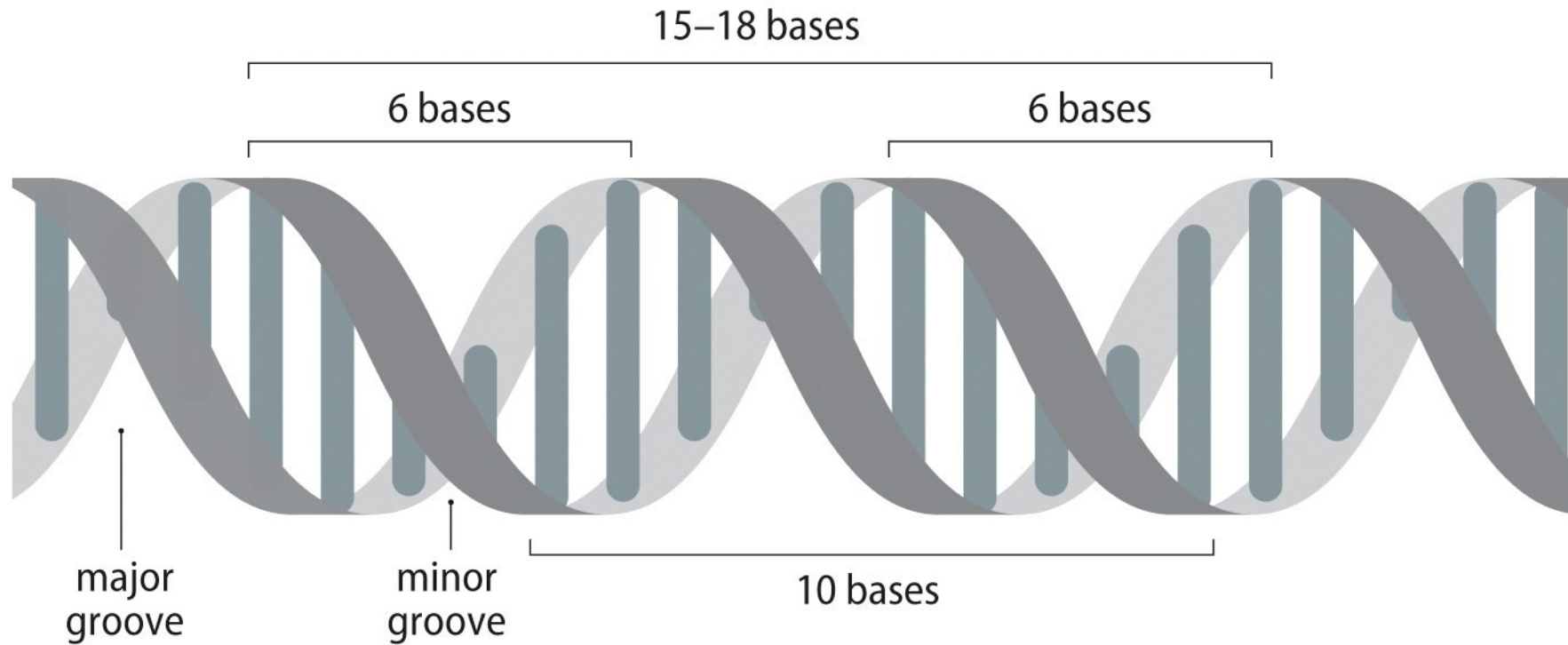


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10^7 base pairs long

4^{-n}

3-mer $p = 0.0156$ or 1.6×10^5

4-mer with $p = 0.0039$ or 4×10^4

6-mer 2500

8-mer 150 times

10-mer 10 times

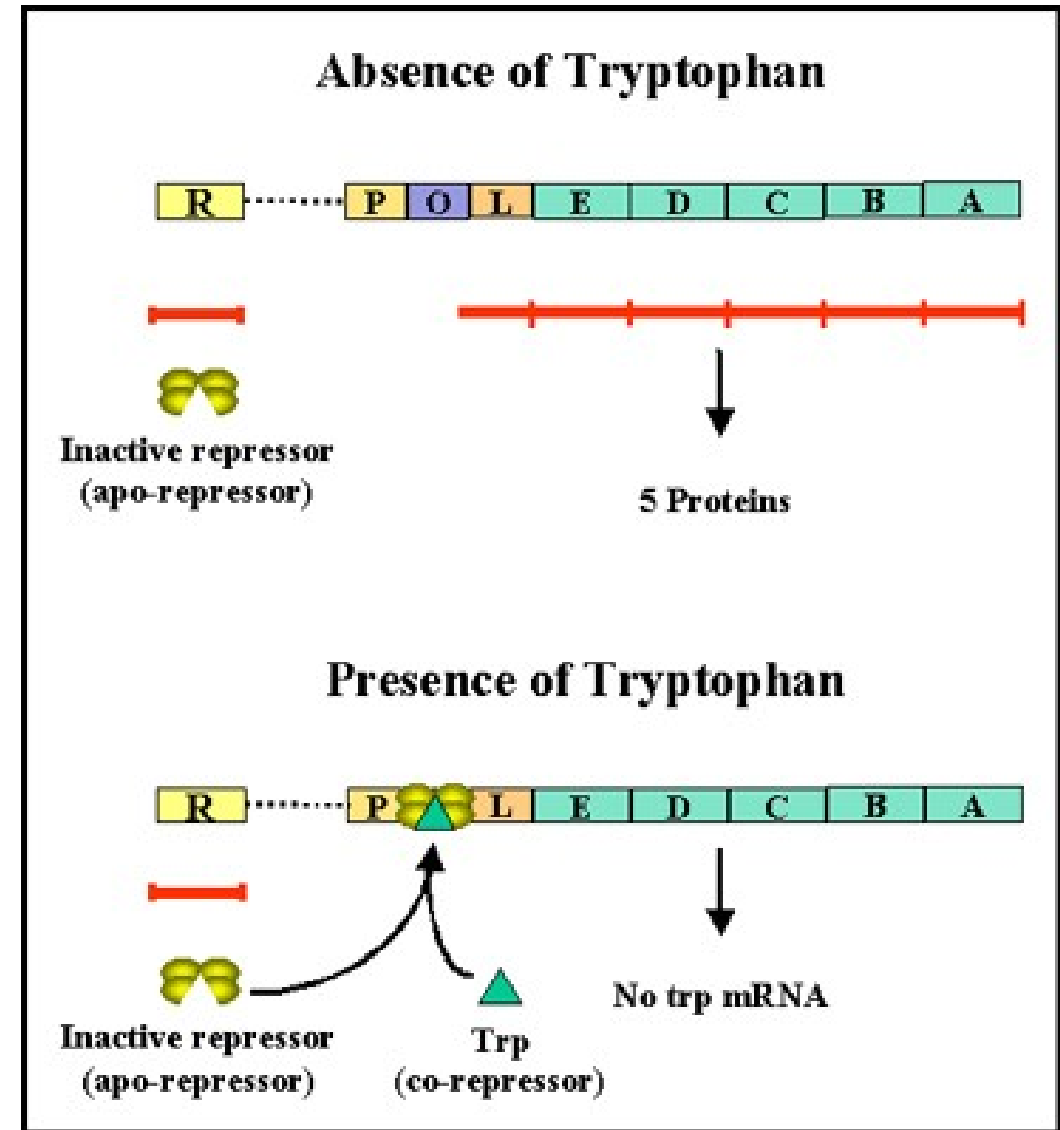
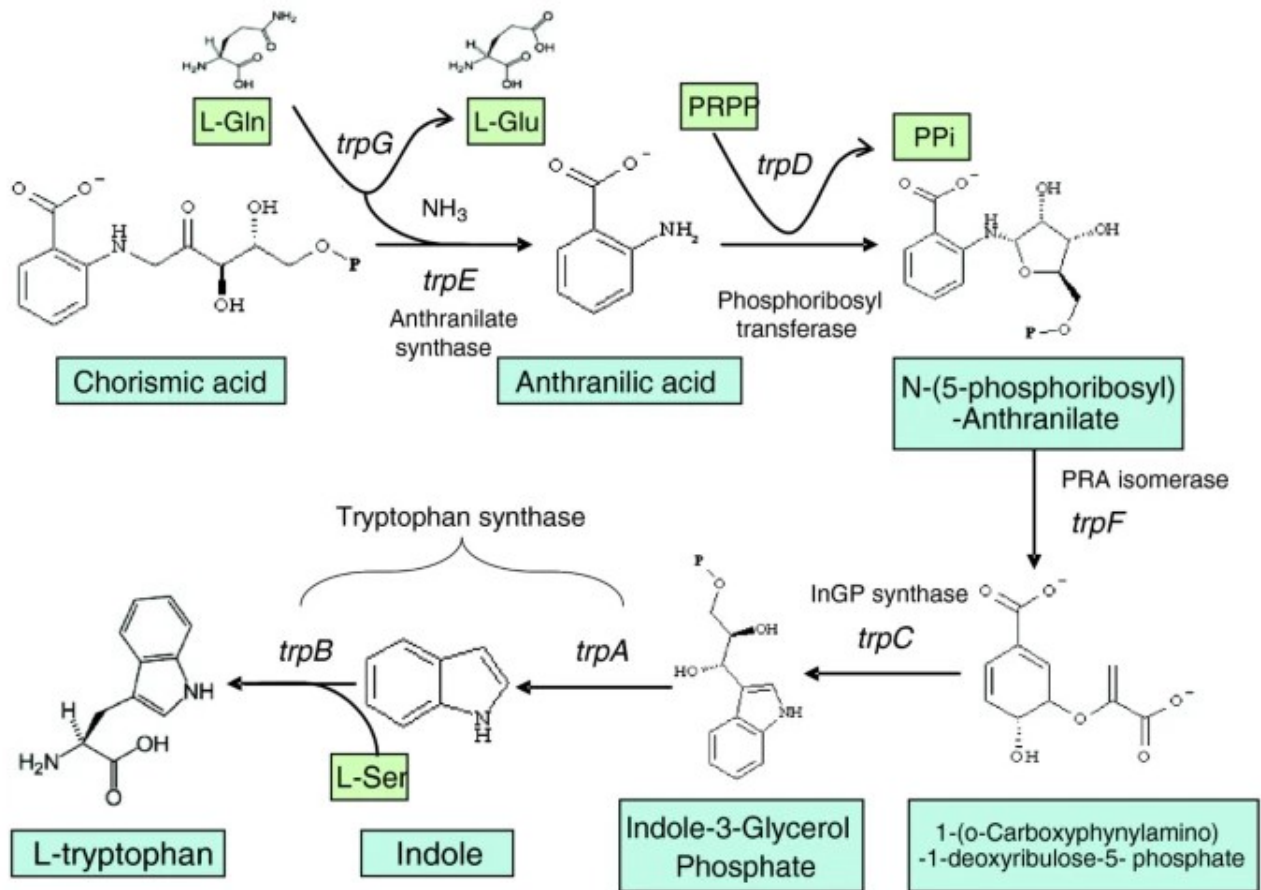
12-mer less than once.

a protein that binds to DNA as a dimer



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trp repressor



a helix-turn-helix repressor

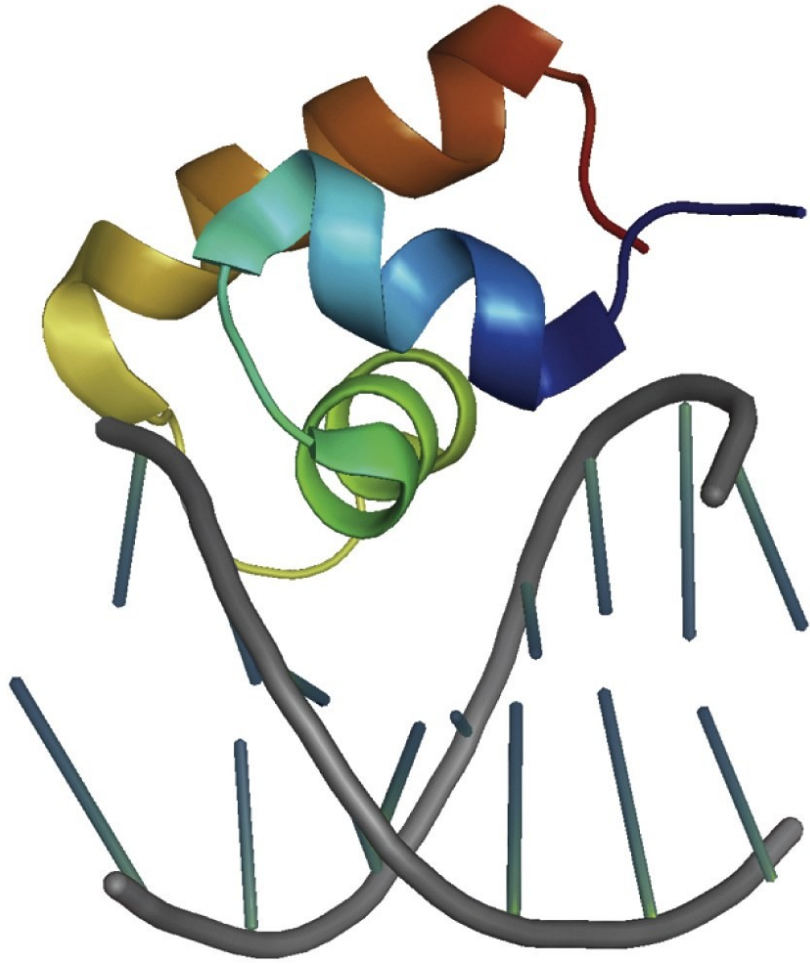
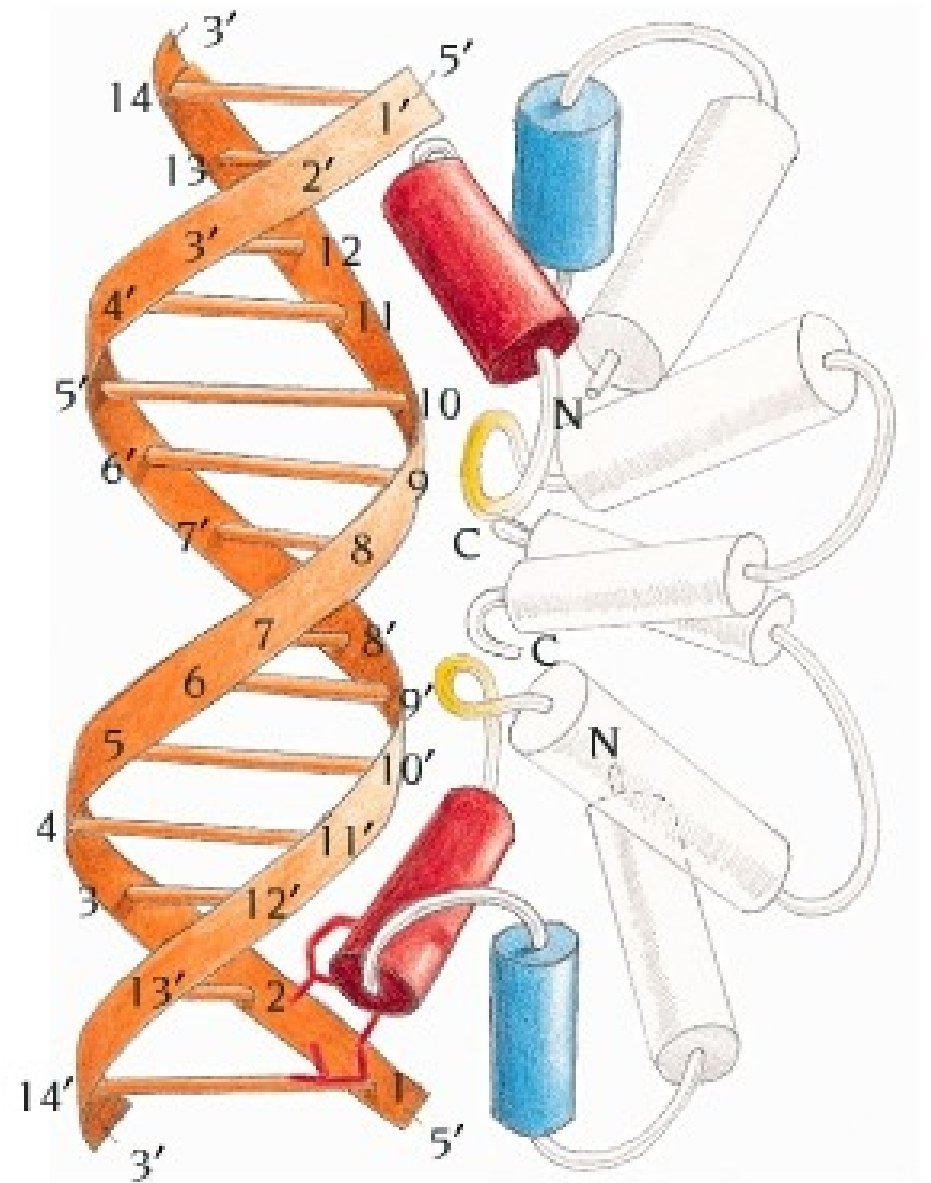
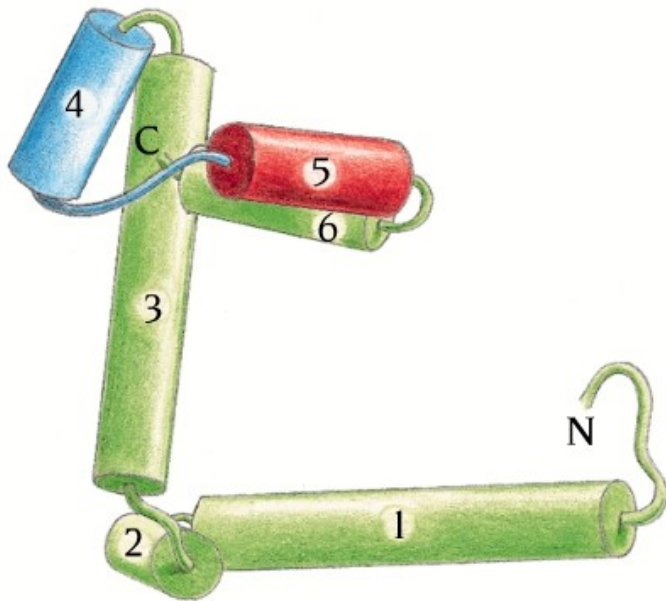


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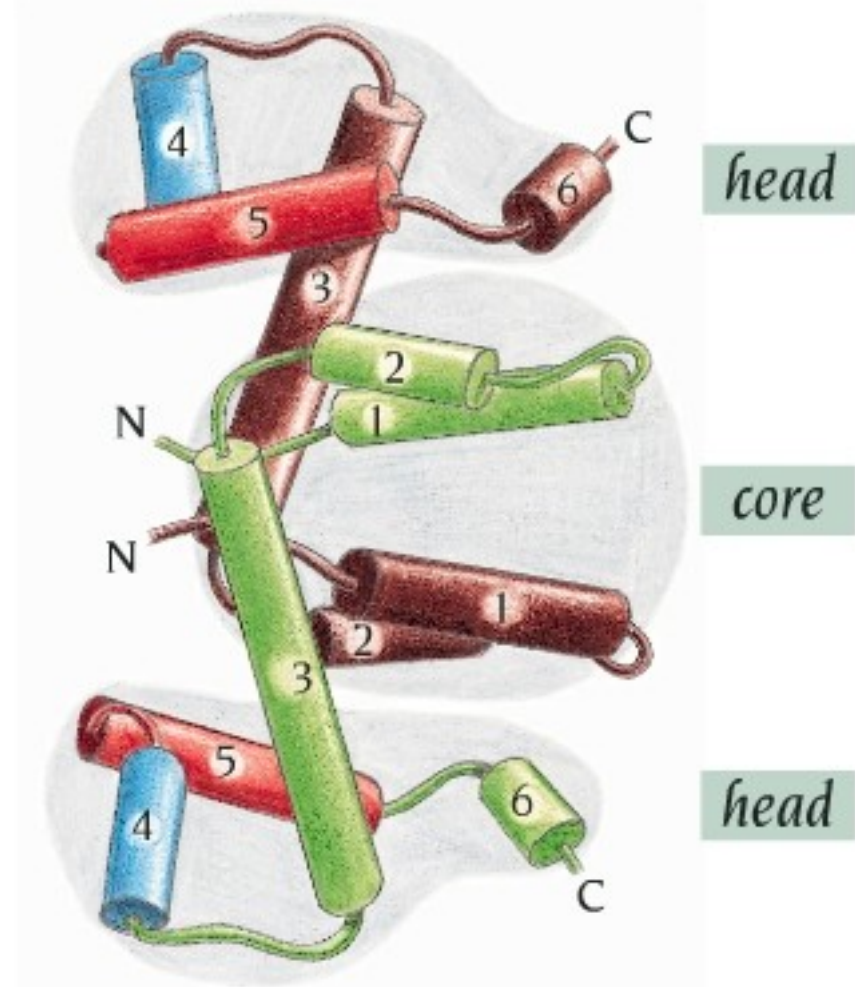


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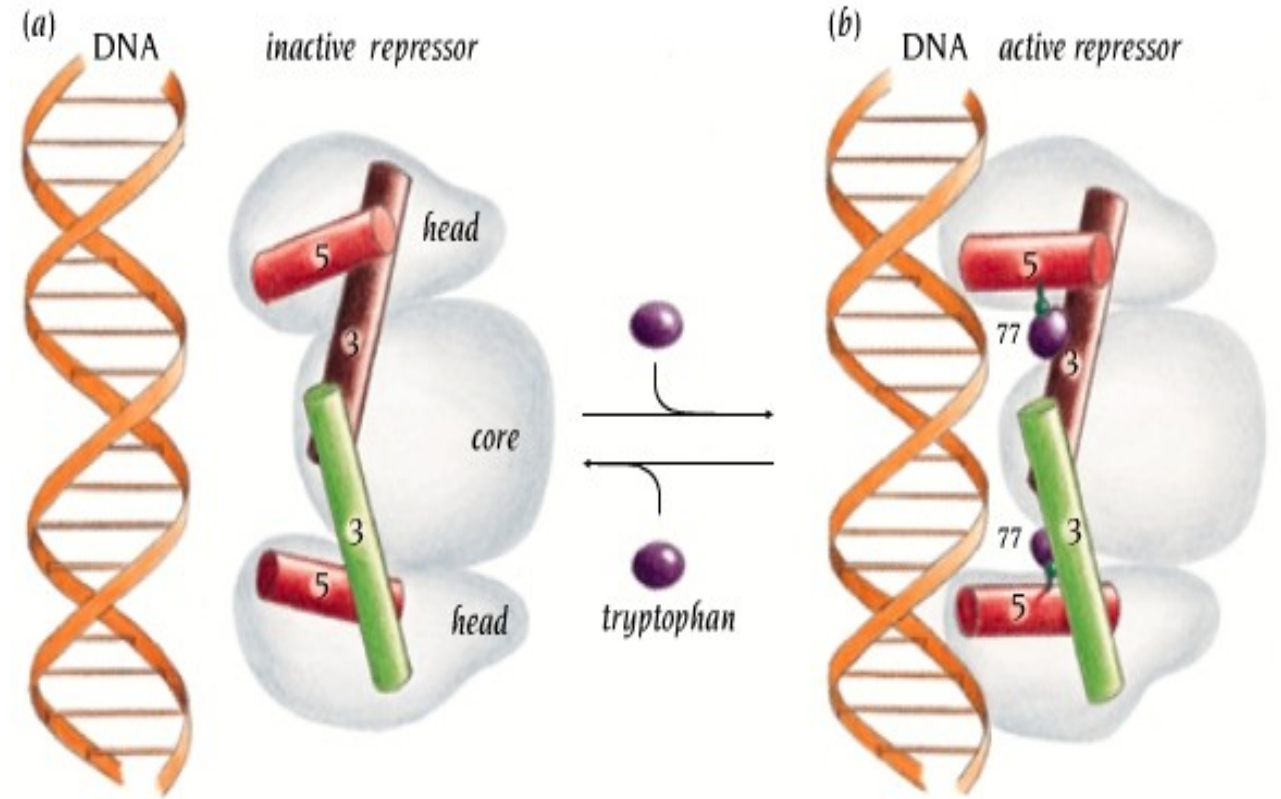
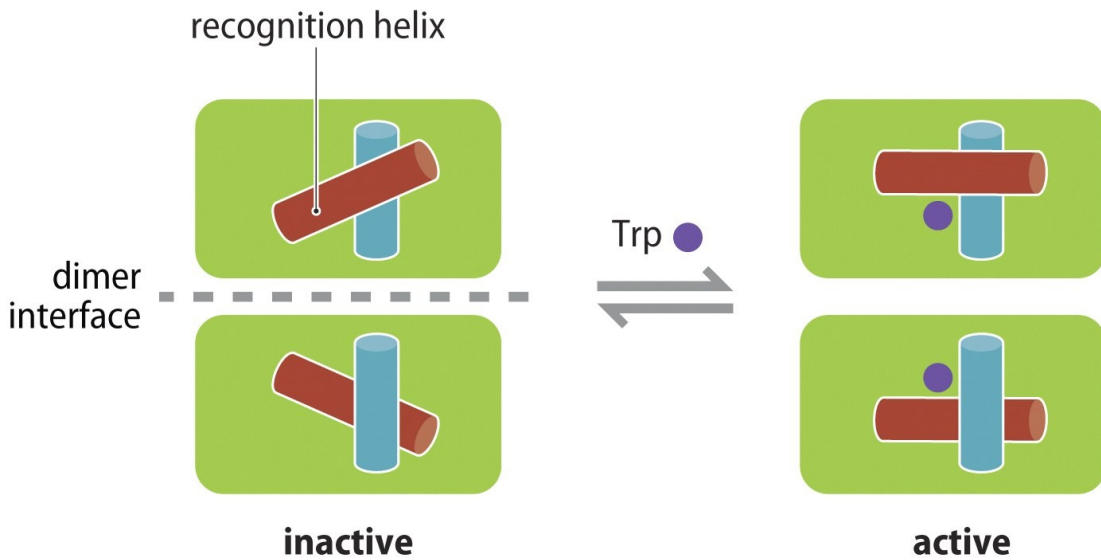


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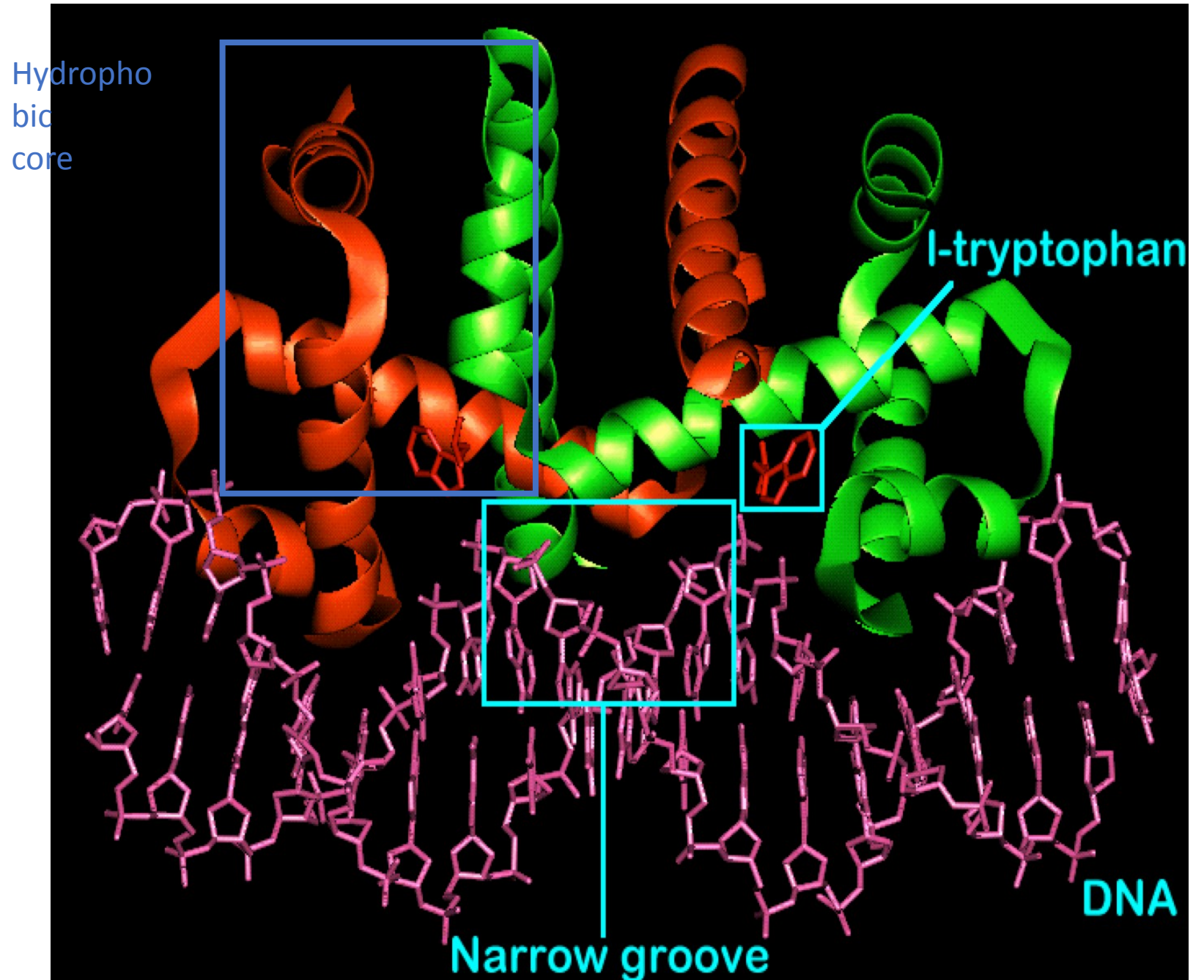
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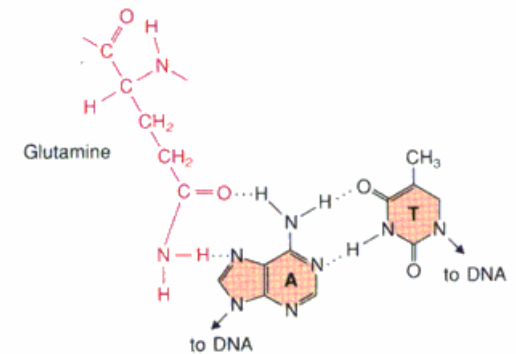
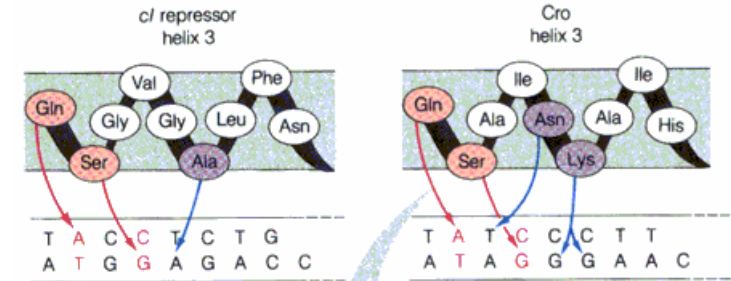
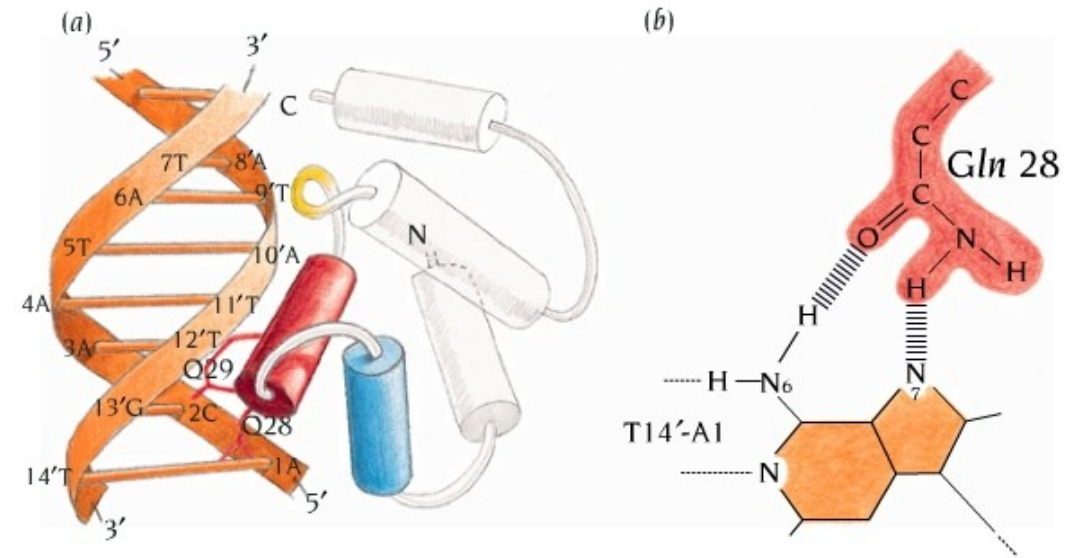
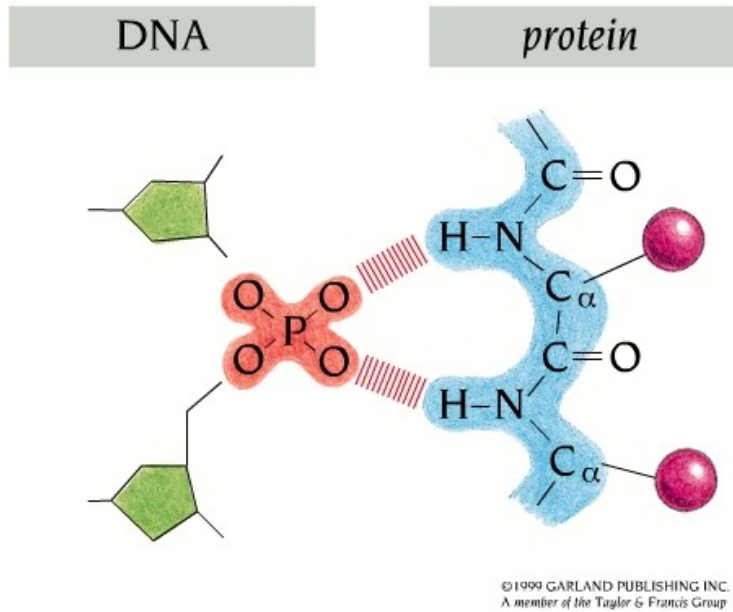
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DNA-binding



interactions

specific/non specific



CAP protein

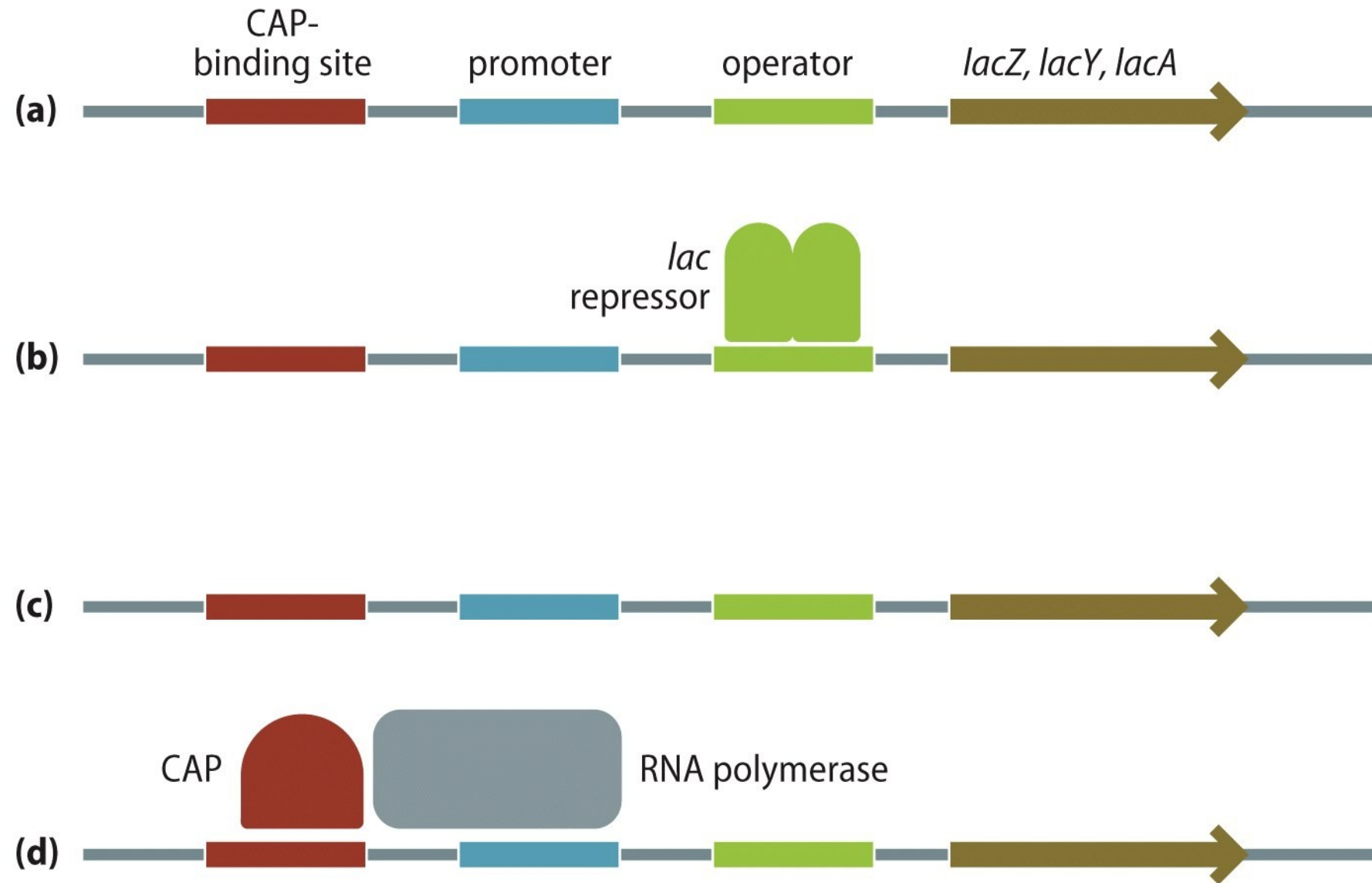


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inactive and active form of CAP

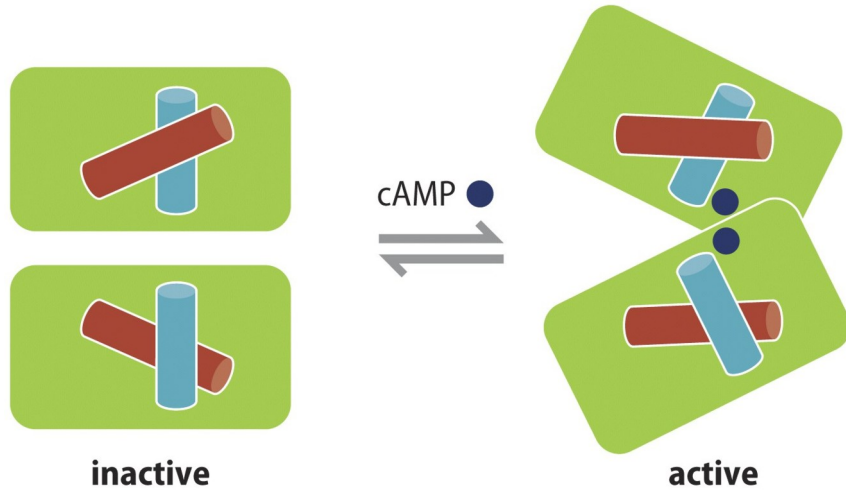
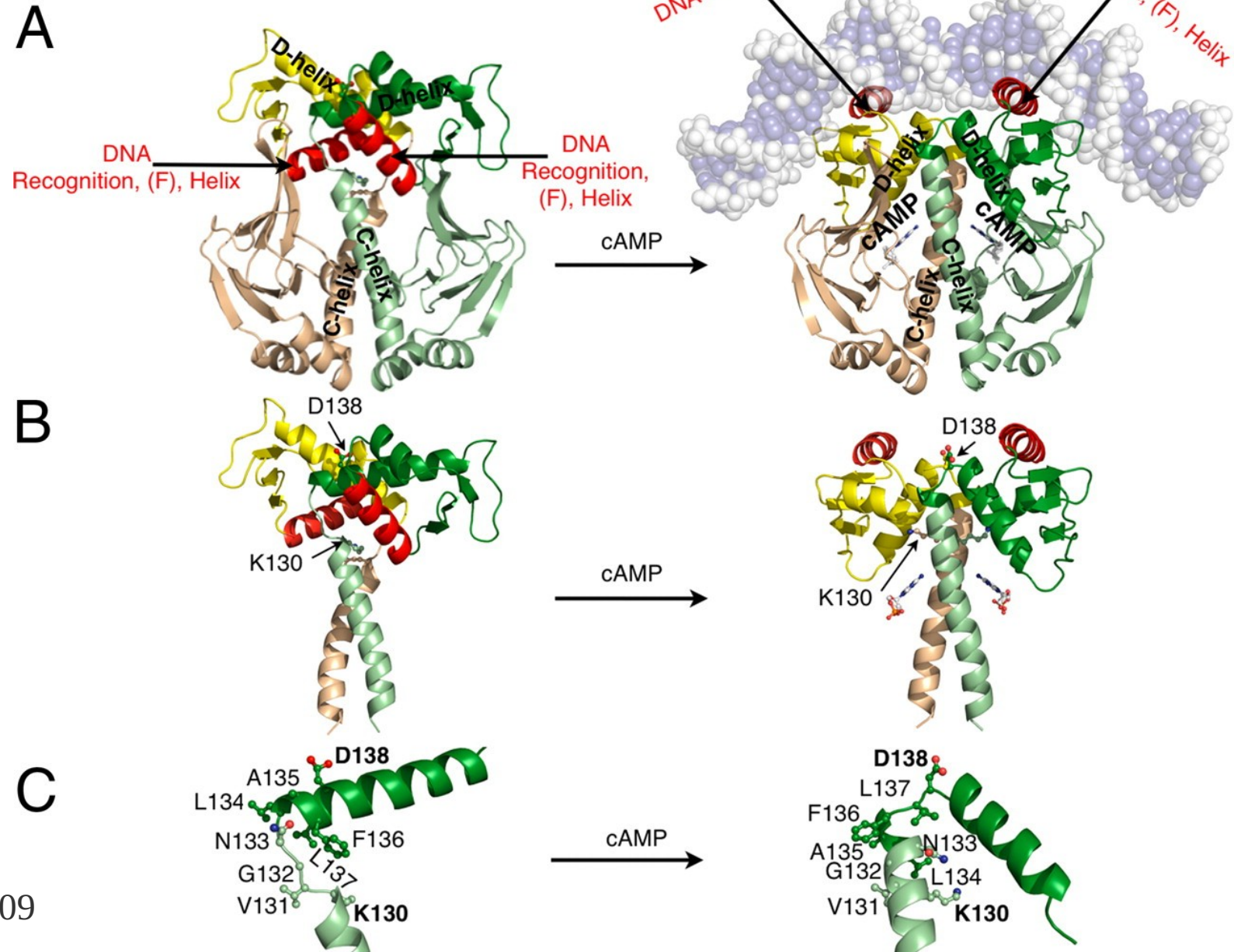
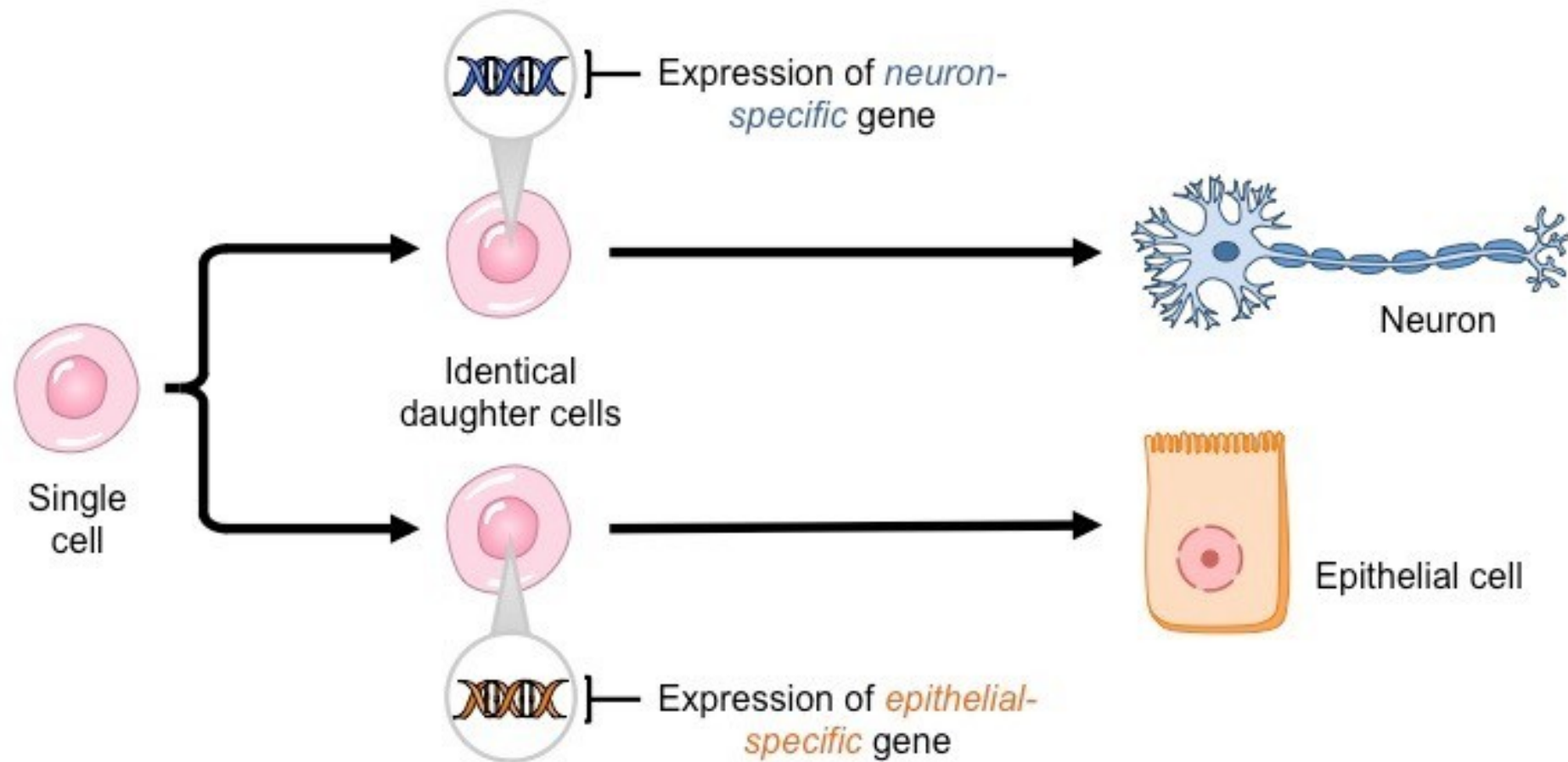


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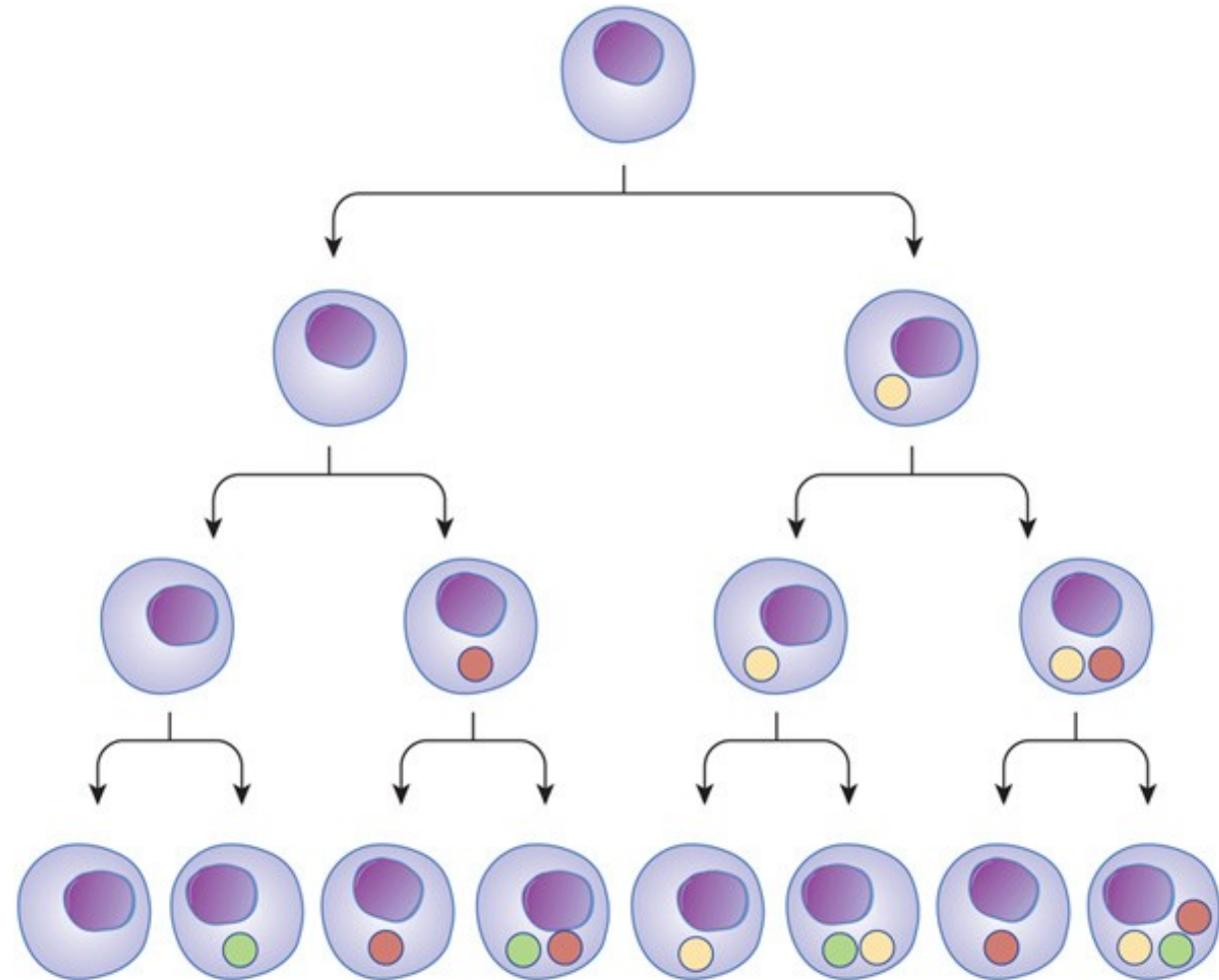


homeodomain proteins

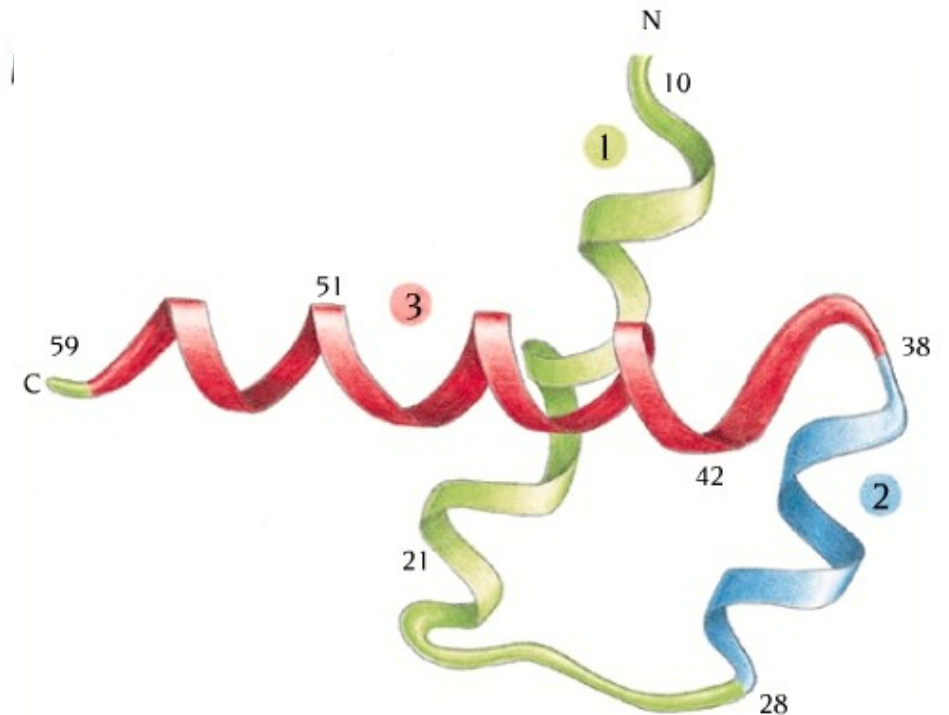
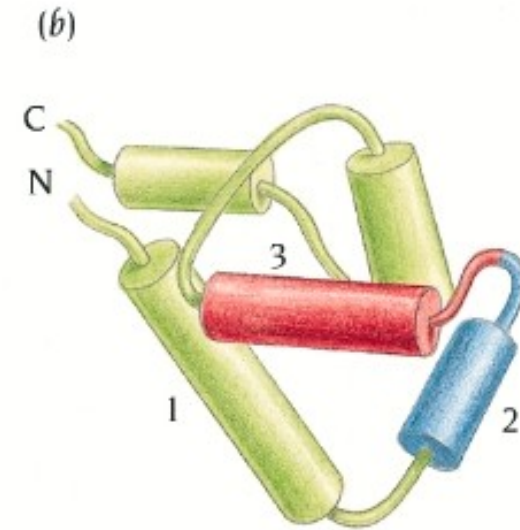
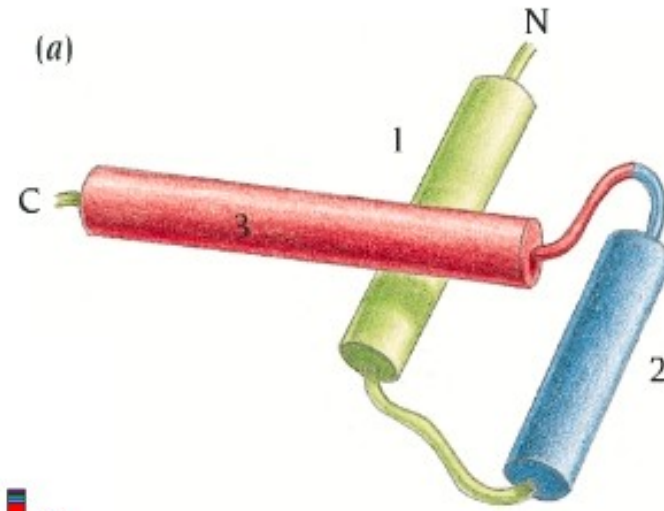
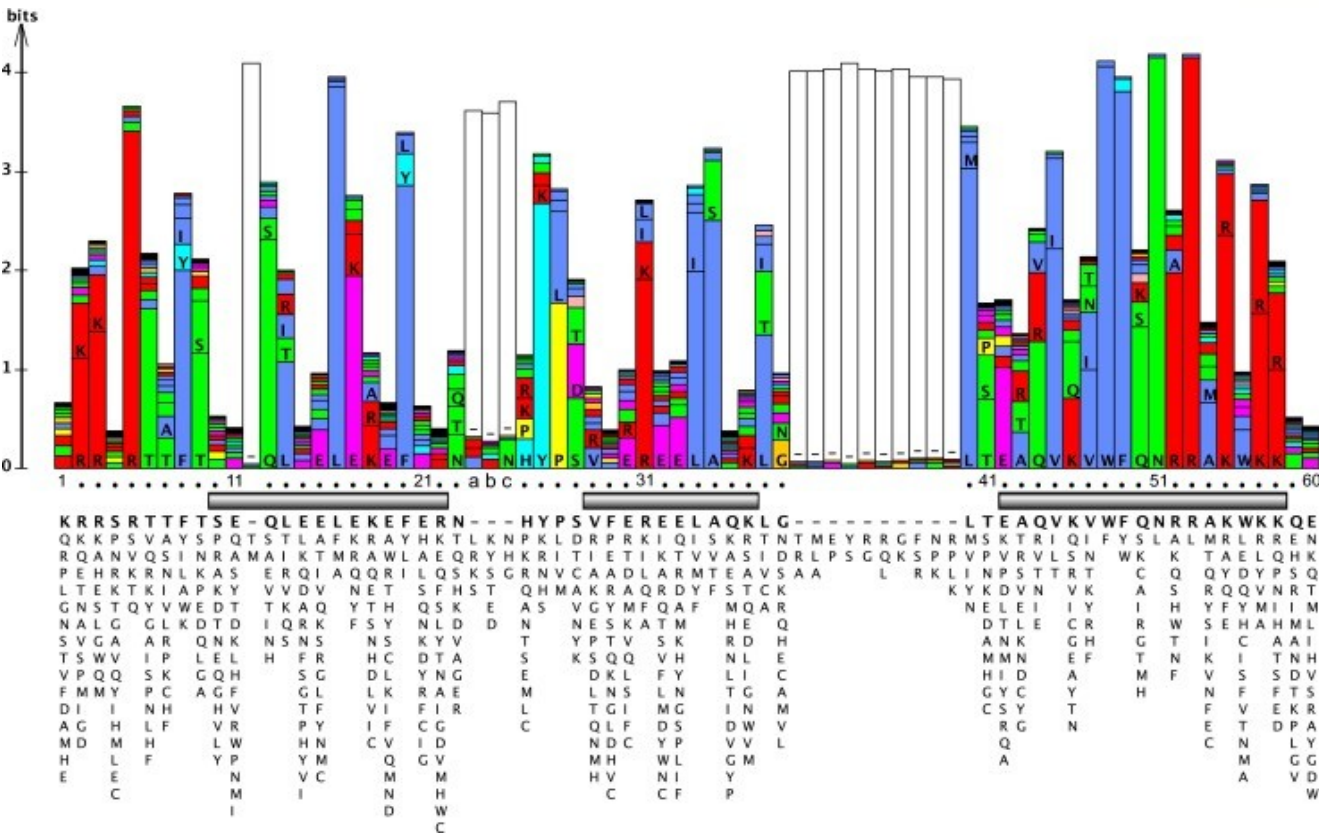
Οι homeodomain proteins κατευθύνουν το σχηματισμό των αξόνων και των δομών του σώματος κατά τη διάρκεια της πρώιμης εμβρυϊκής ανάπτυξης. Πολλές homeodomain proteins προκαλούν κυτταρική διαφοροποίηση, ενεργοποιώντας τις αλυσιδωτές αντιδράσεις των συνρυθμιζόμενων γονιδίων που απαιτούνται για την παραγωγή μεμονωμένων ιστών και οργάνων

Η αλληλουχία homeobox κωδικοποιεί το HD, έναν σφαιρικό τομέα περίπου 60 αμινοξέων που λειτουργεί κανονικά ως τομέας σύνδεσης με το DNA. Σήμερα γνωρίζουμε ότι στα ζώα υπάρχουν συνήθως περίπου 100 γονίδια homeobox

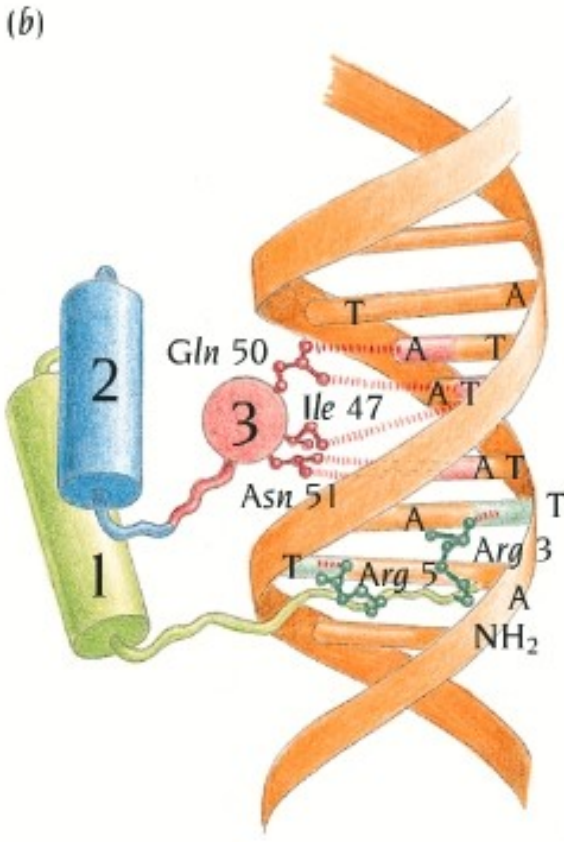
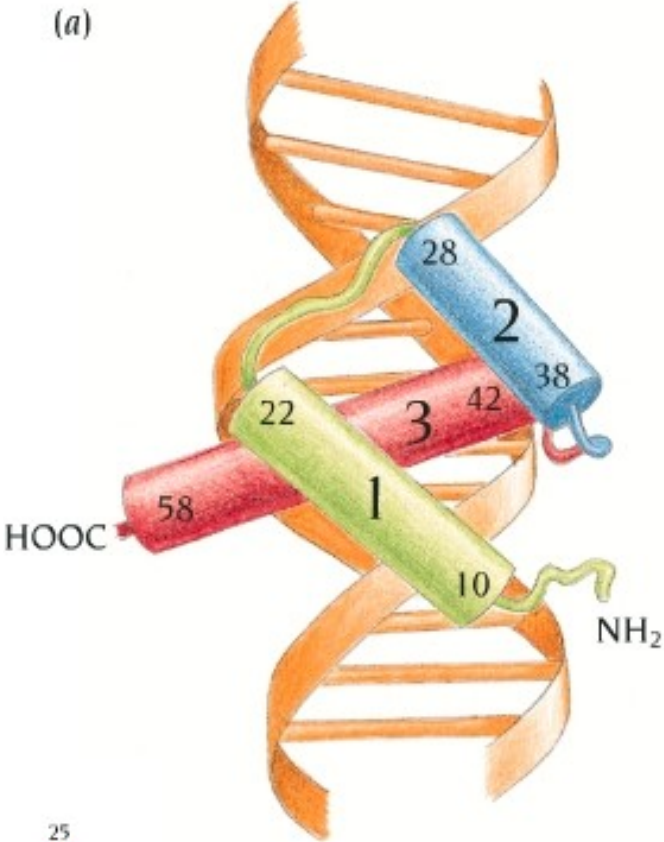
Συνολικά, περίπου το 15-30 % όλων των παραγόντων μεταγραφής στα ζώα είναι πρωτεΐνες HD, οι οποίες αντιπροσωπεύουν περίπου το 0,5-1,25 % όλων των πρωτεϊνών σε ένα δεδομένο είδος.



homeodomain proteins



Interactions

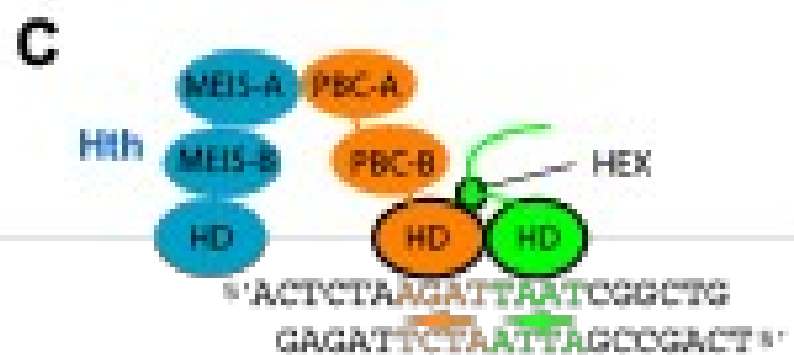
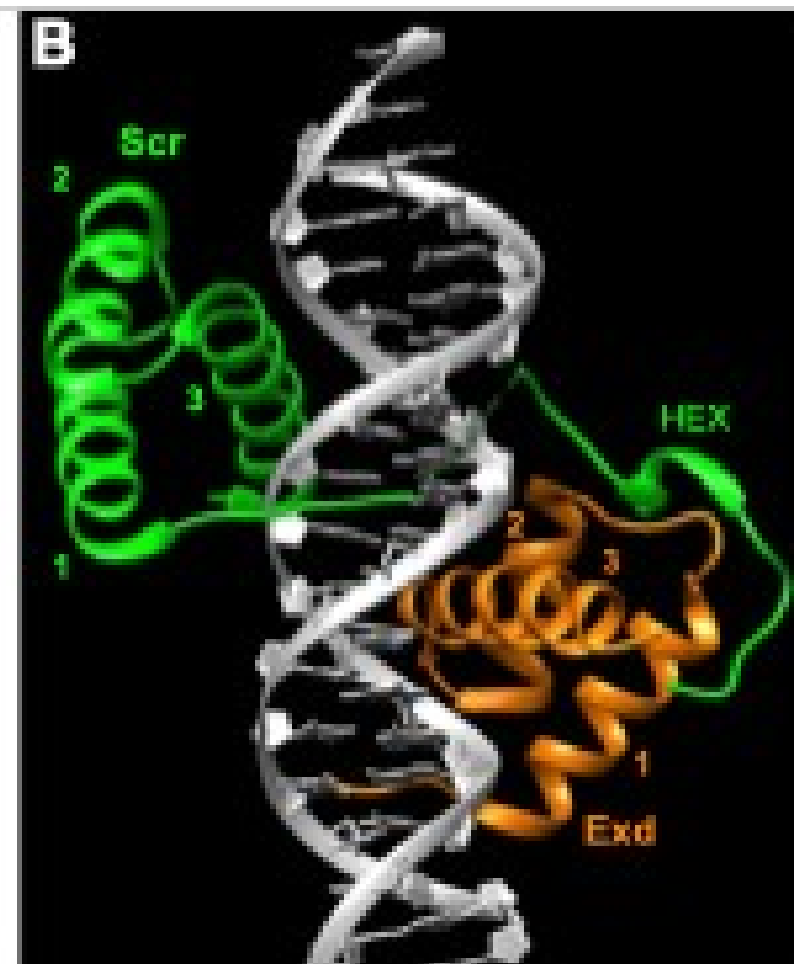
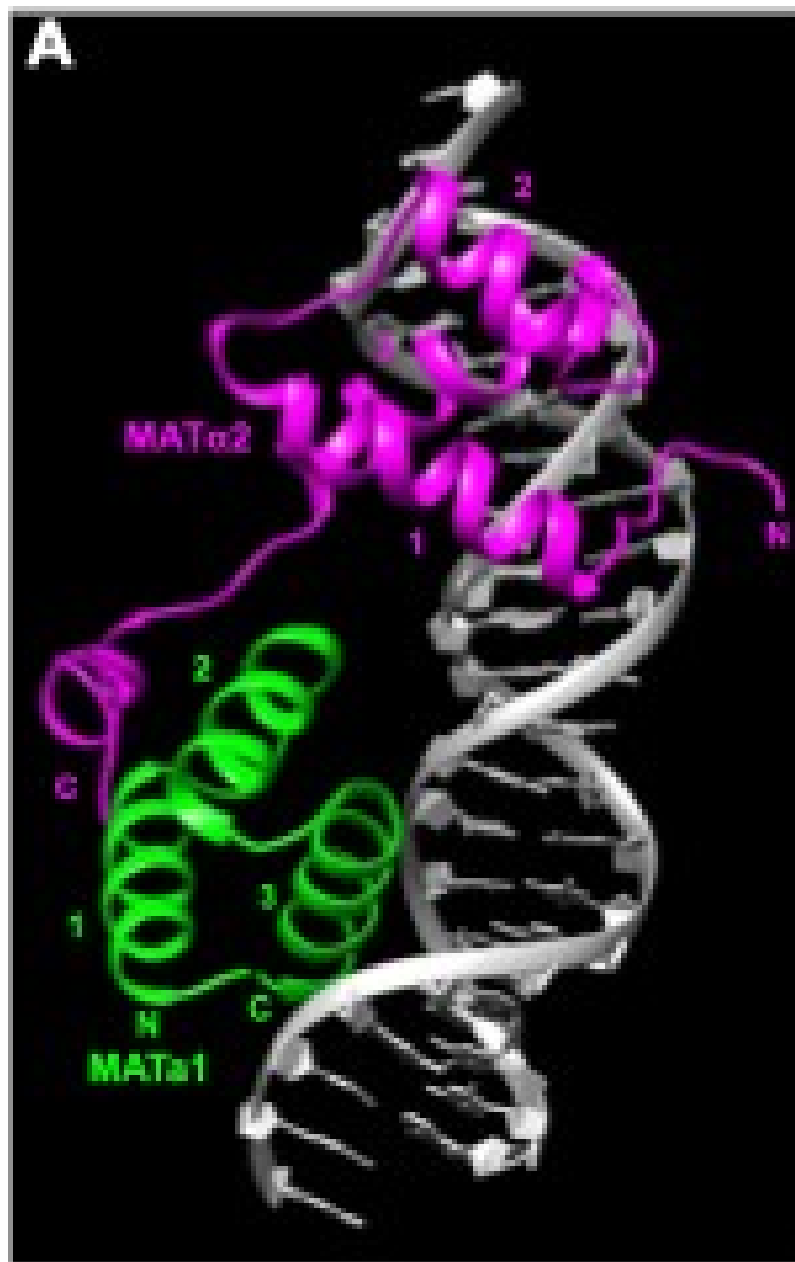


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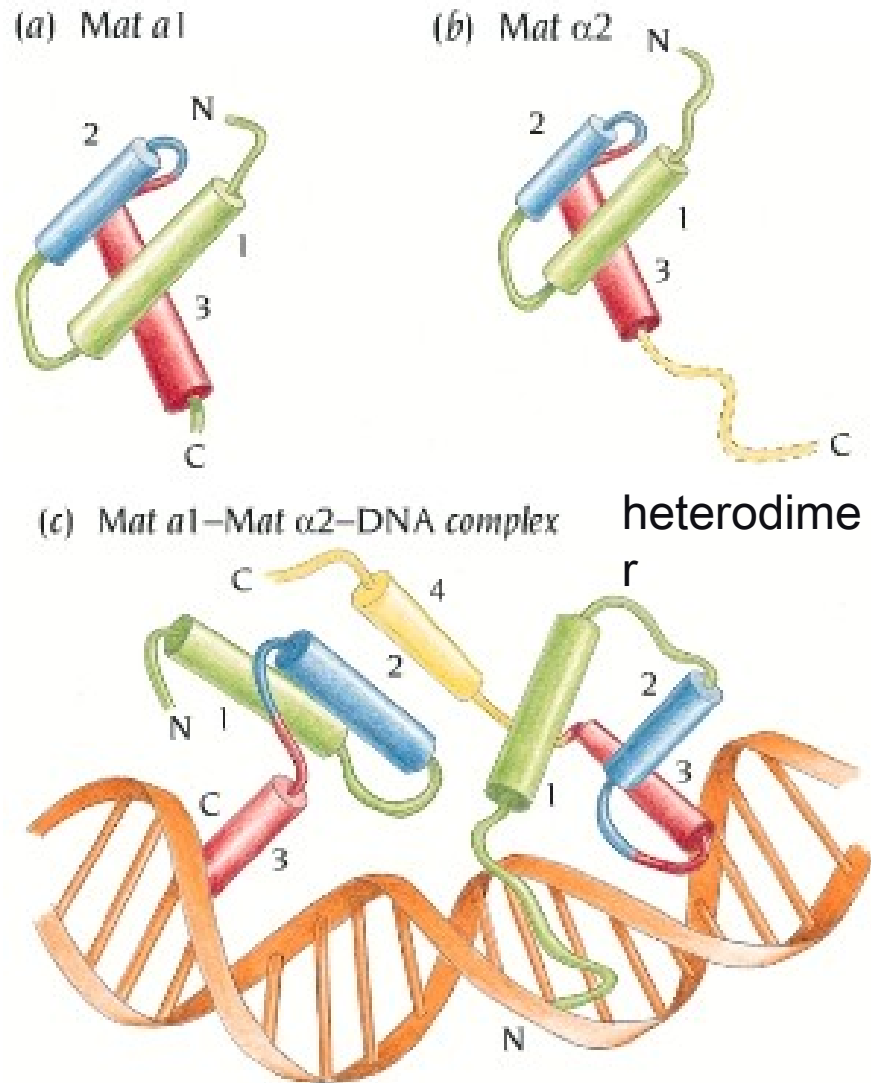
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interactions with other proteins



MAT $\alpha 2$ heterotetramer with MCM1

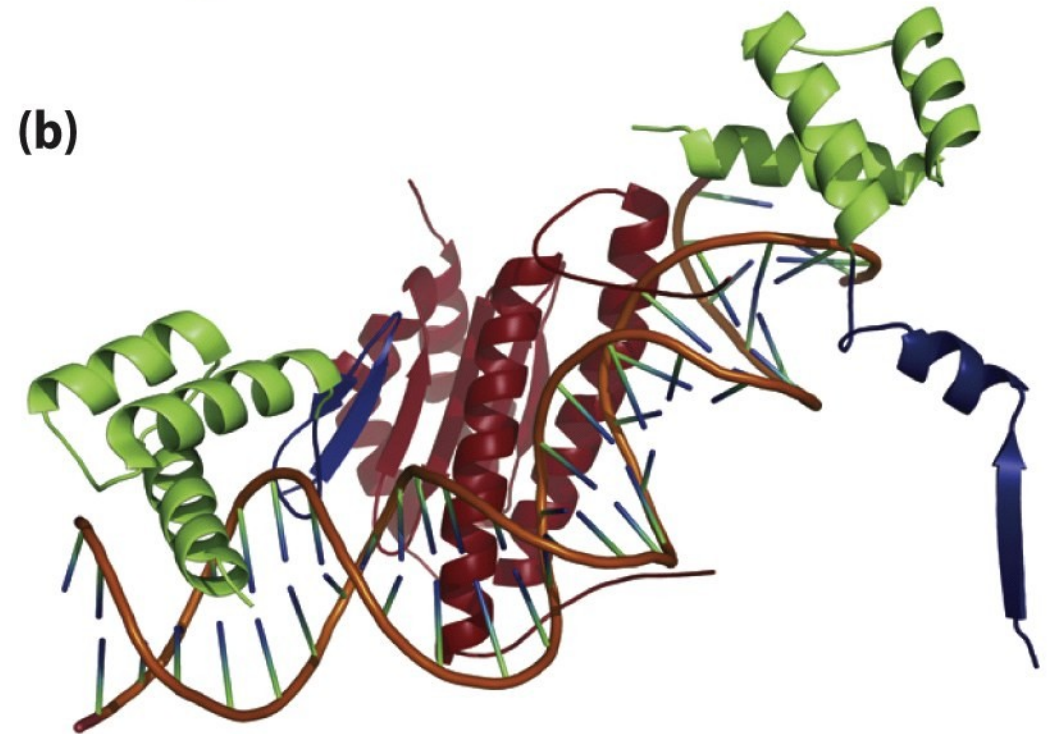
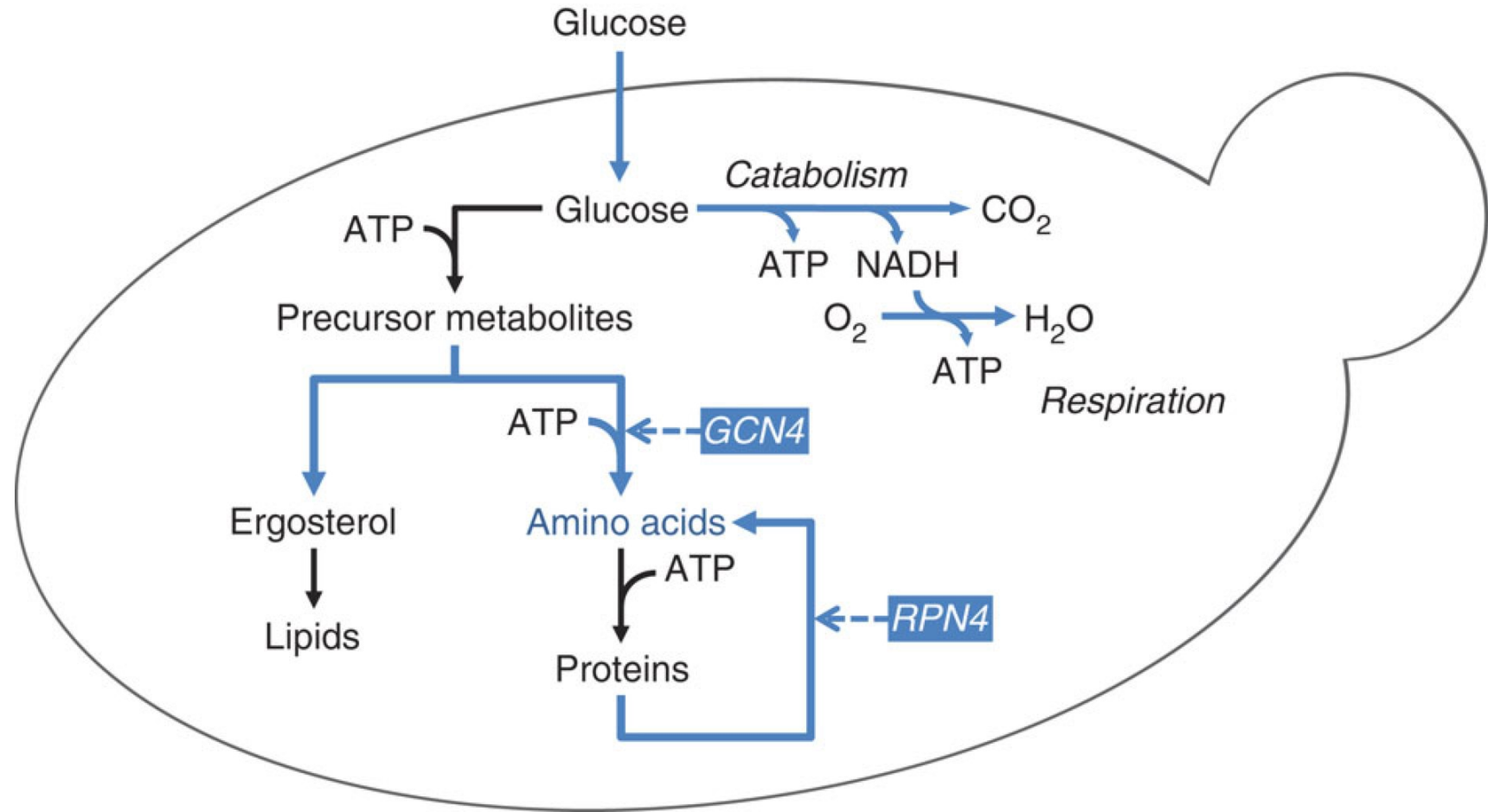


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Transcription factor

GCN4 protein

General control transcription factor

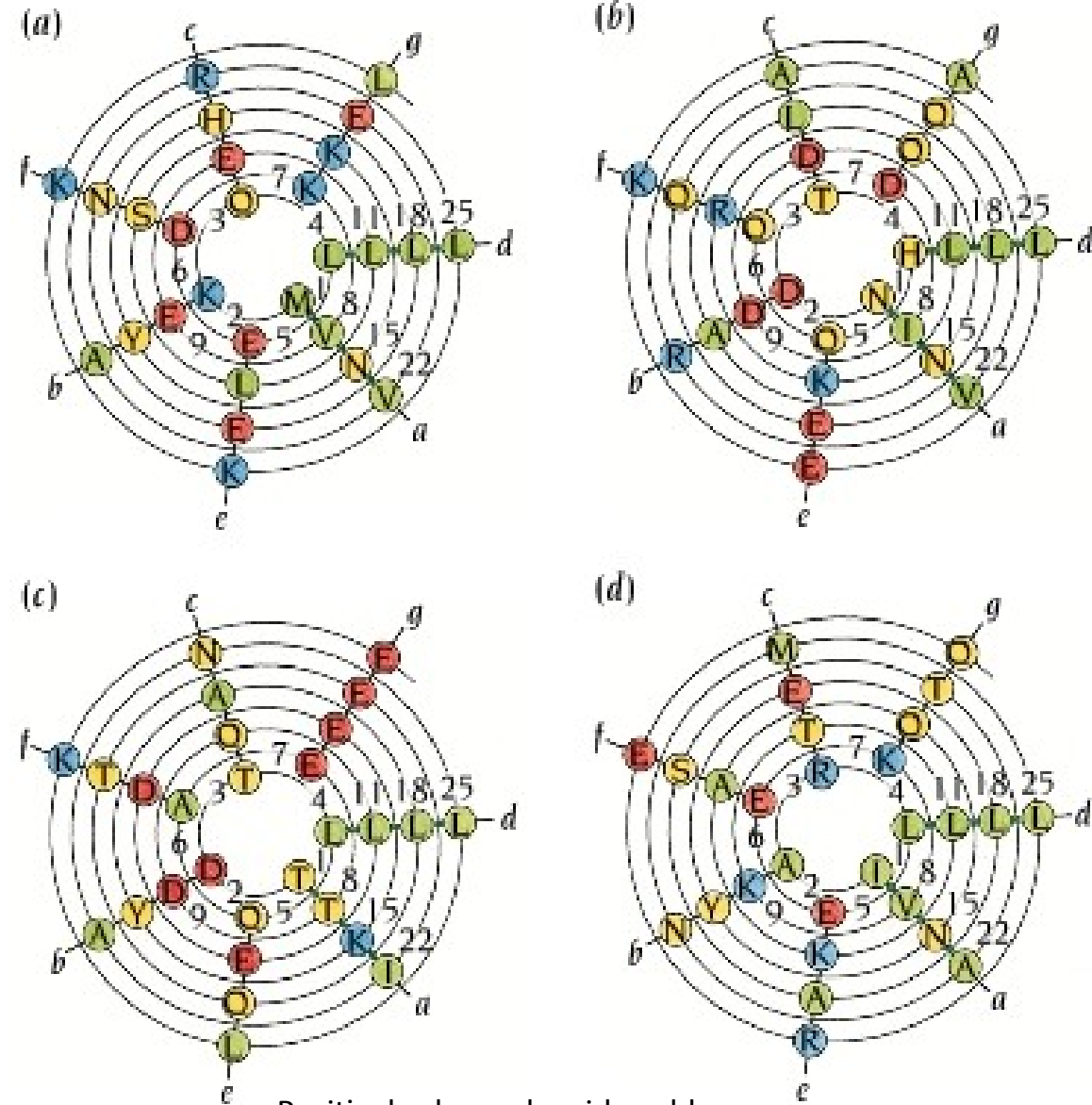


symmetric leucine zipper

Transcriptions factors

- a) GCN4
- b) Max
- c) Fos (v-Fos)
- d) Jun (v-Jun)

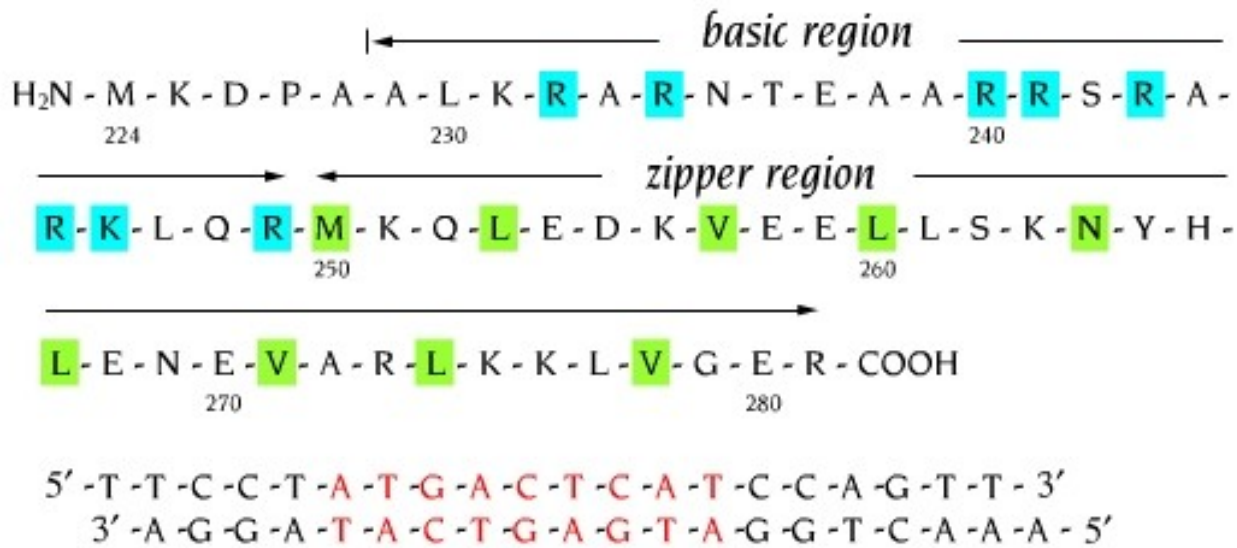
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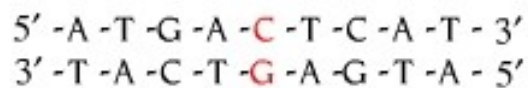
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Hydrophobic green

Regions

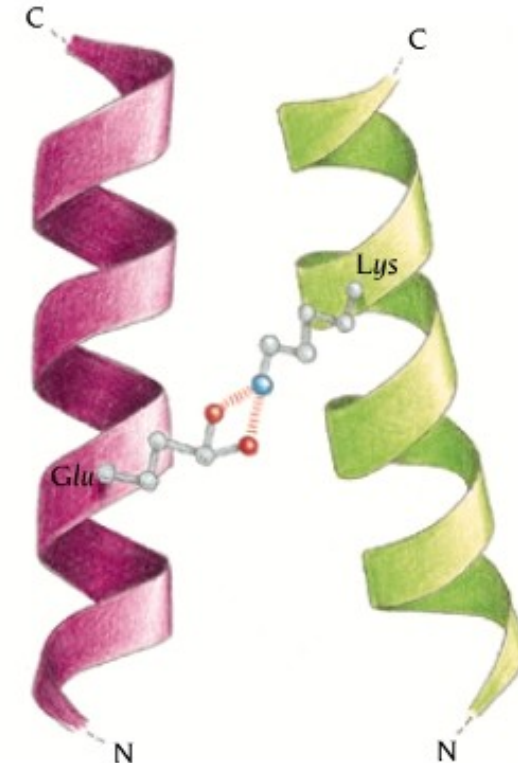
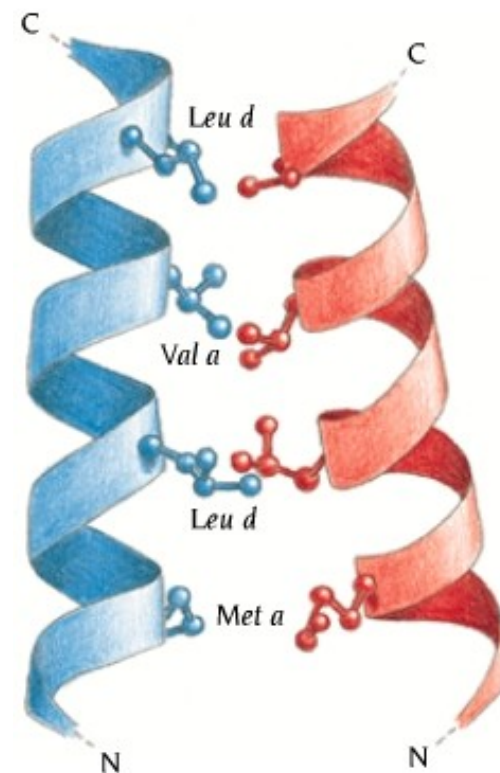
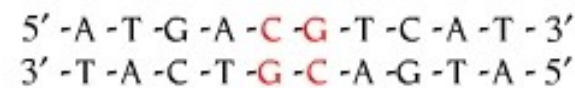
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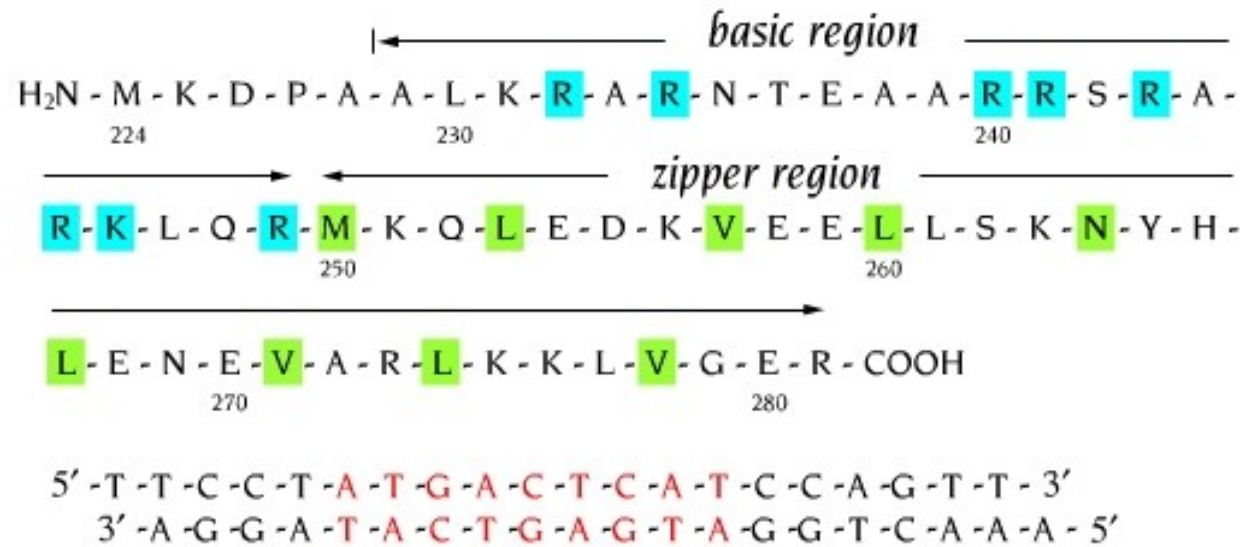


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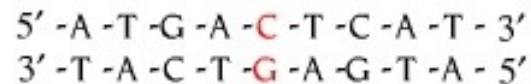


interactions

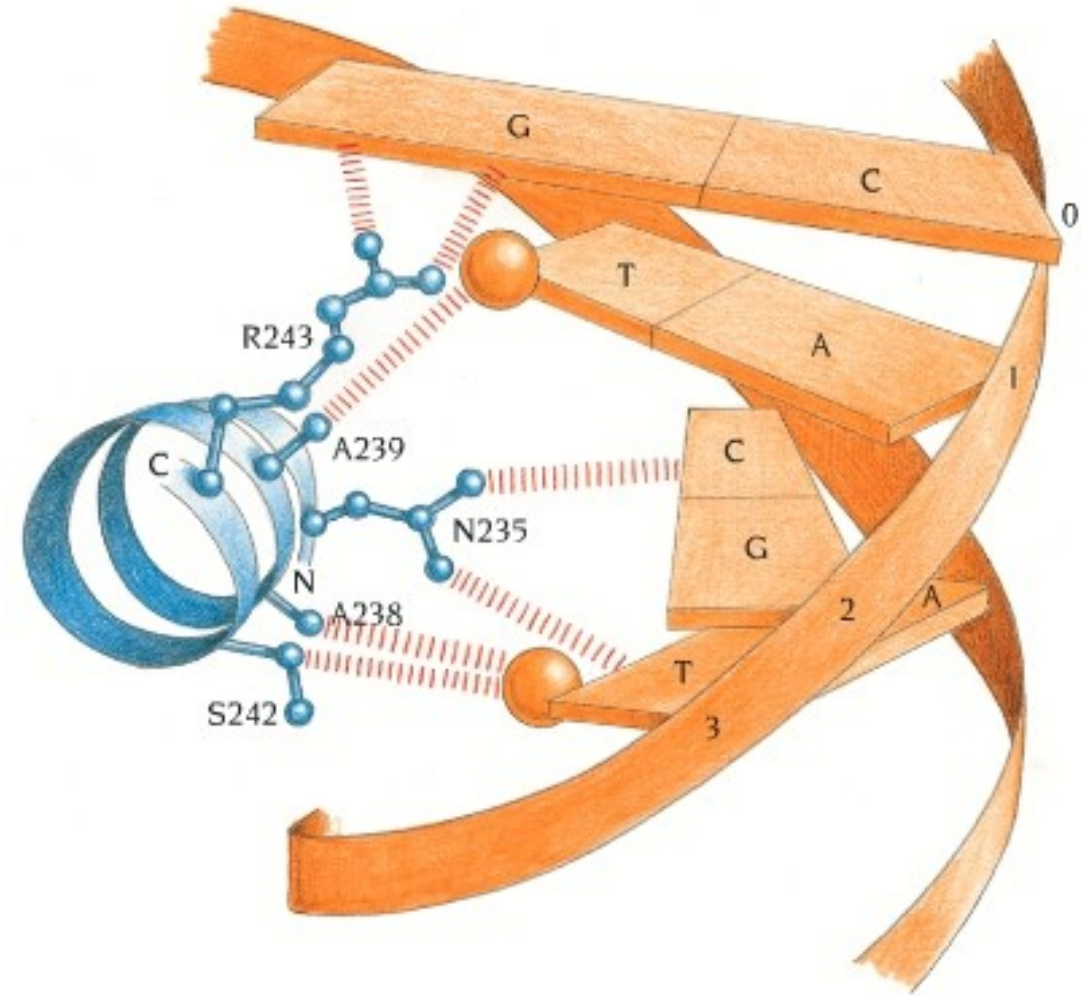
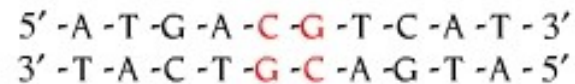
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(c) Symmetric GCN4-binding site



Fos-Jun

(a) a b c d e f g
 ϕ L

(b)

Fos	KRRIRRE	RNKMAAAK	SRNRRRE
Jun	KAERKRM	RNRI AASK	SRKRKLE

Fos	L	T	D	T	L	Q	A	E	T	D	Q	L	E	D	E	K	S	A	L	Q	T	E	I	A	N	L	L	K	E	K	E	K	L	E	F	I	L	A	A	H			
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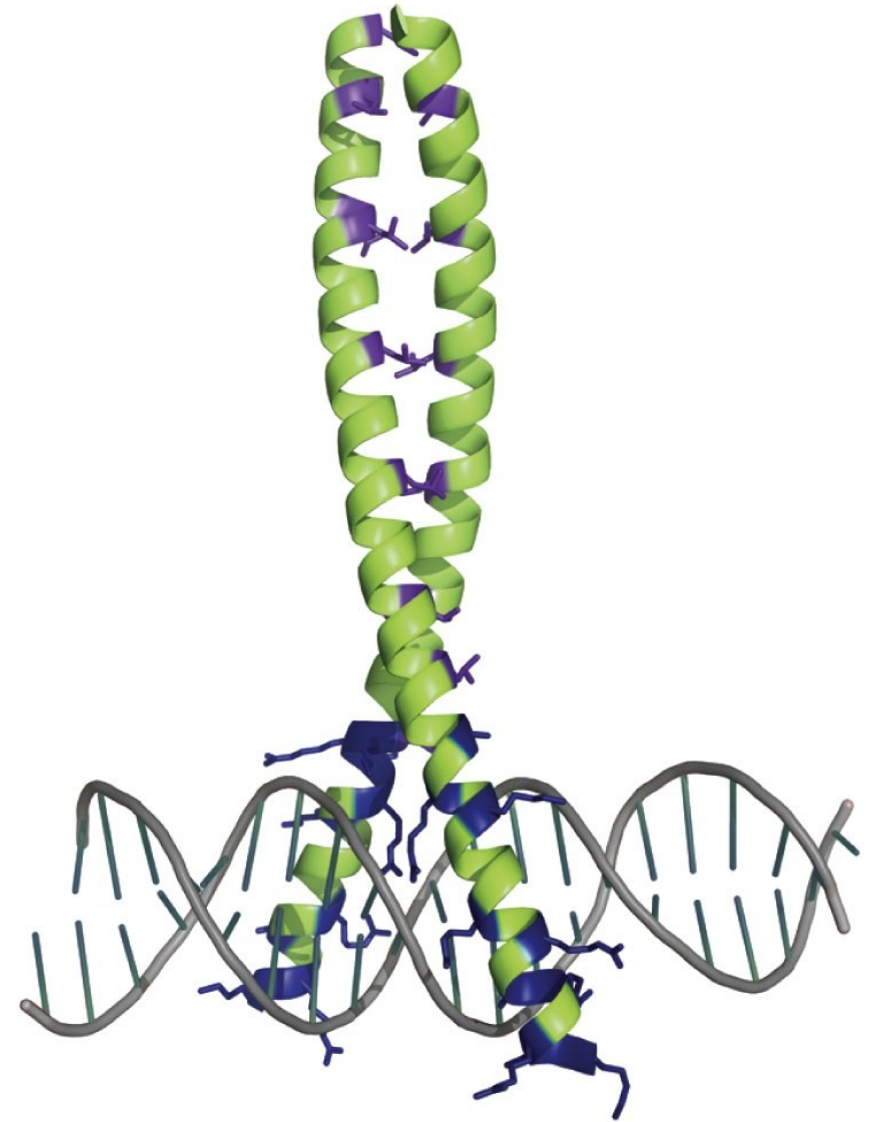


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Heterodimerization of leucine zipper proteins

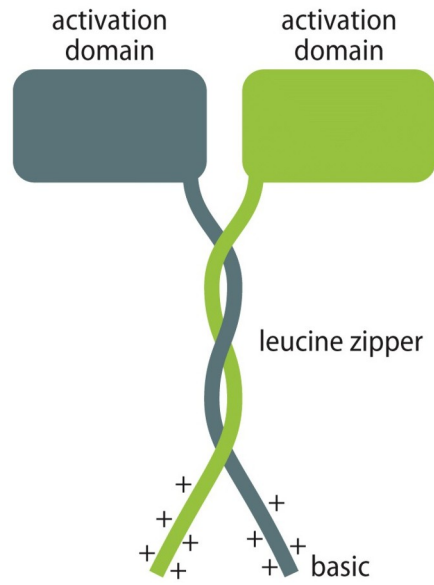


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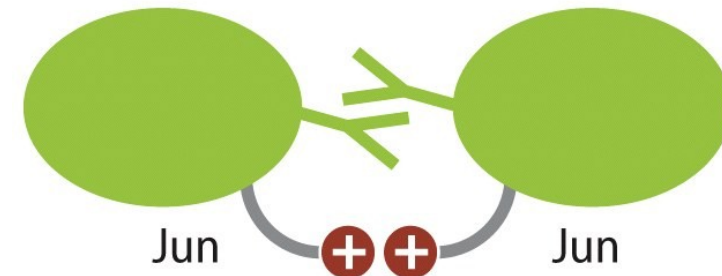
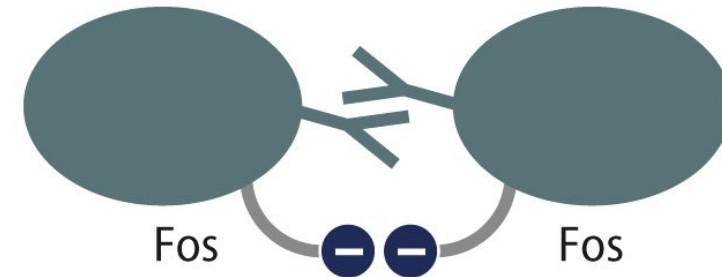
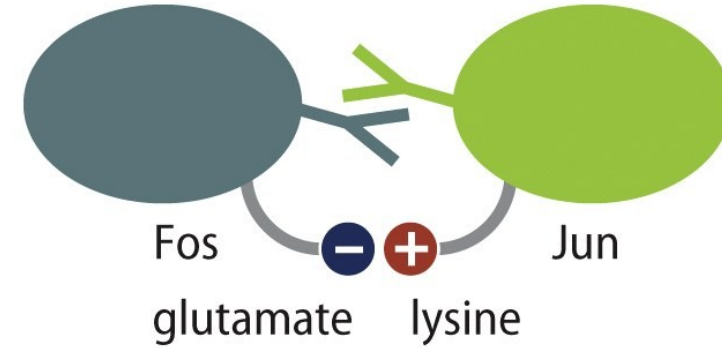
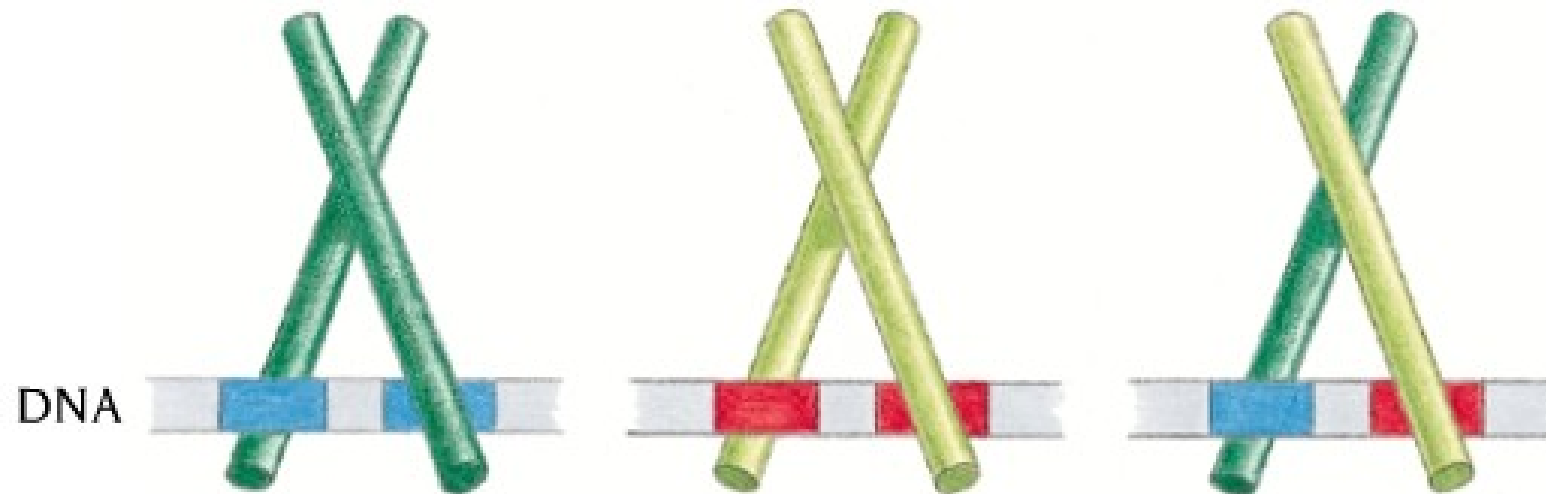
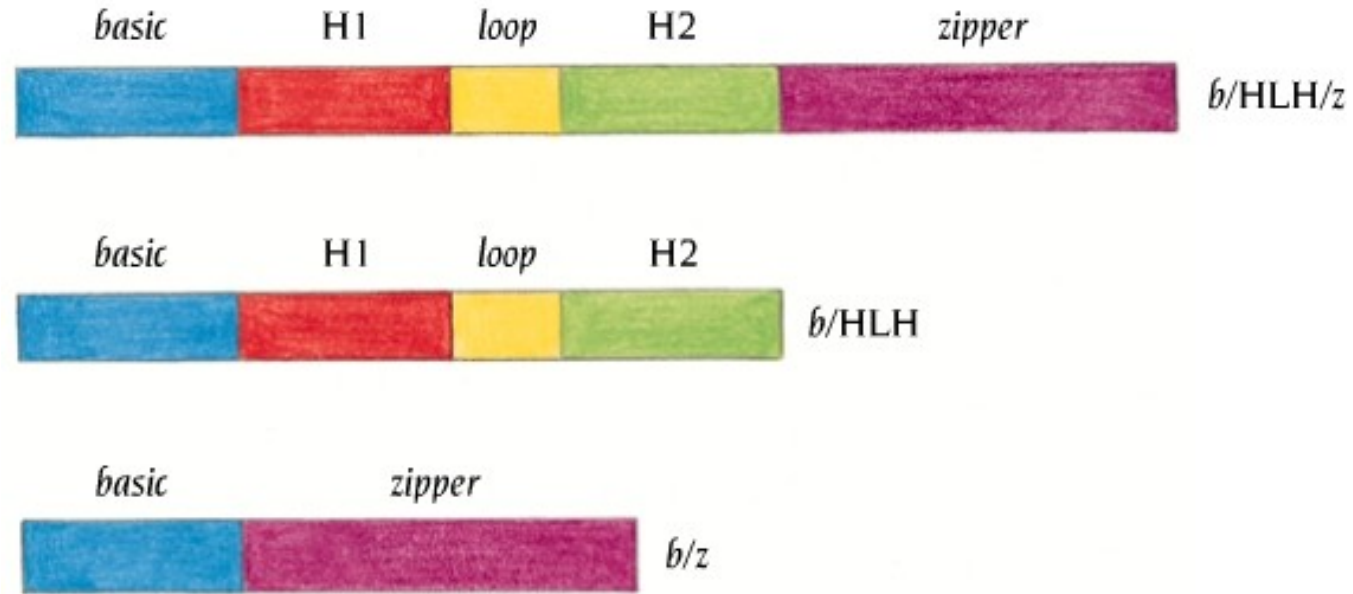
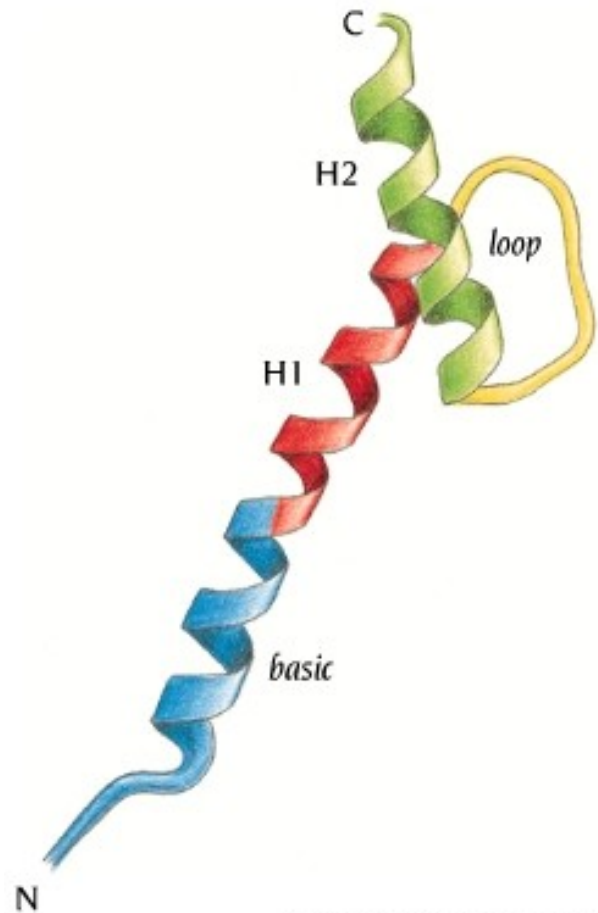


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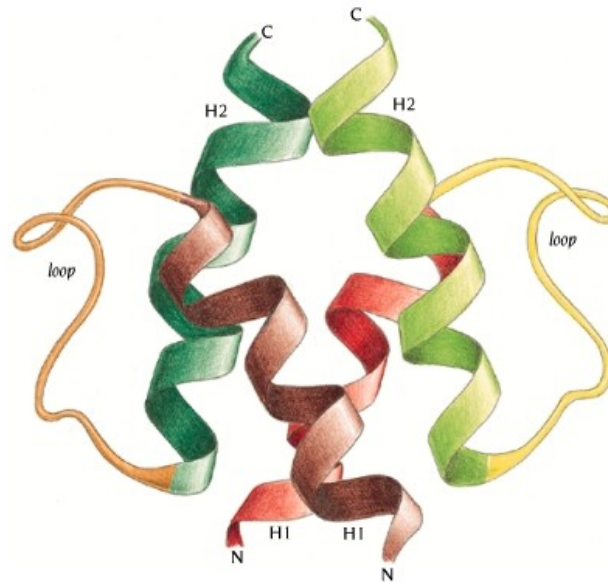
HLH motif



HLH motif



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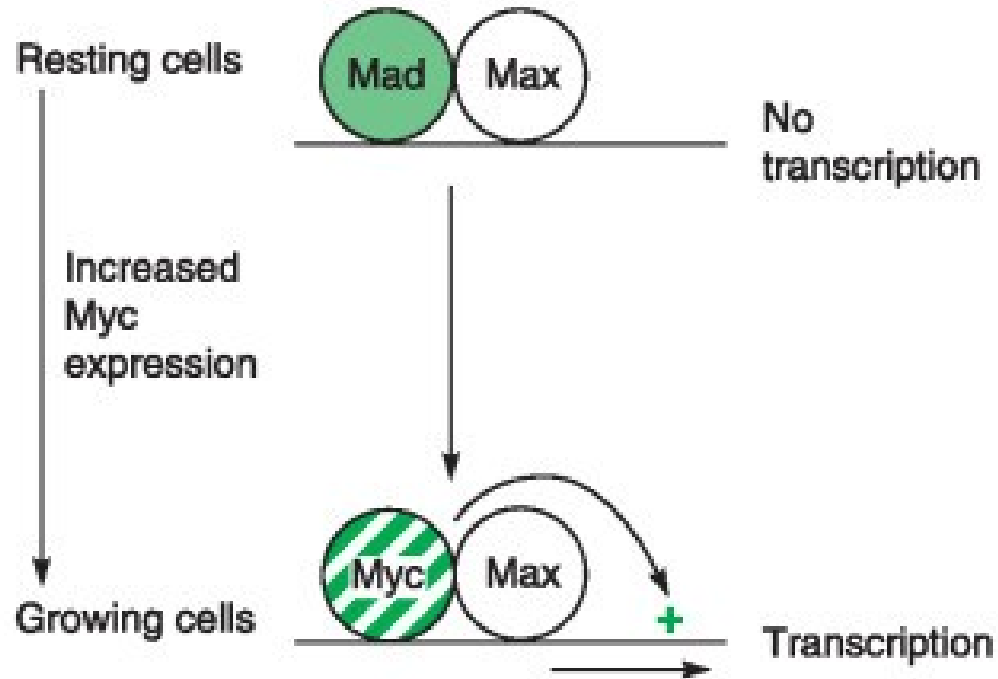
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MyoD



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HLH motif



- **Myc-Max:**

- This heterodimer promotes cell growth, proliferation, and differentiation by binding to E-box sequences and upregulating genes necessary for these processes.

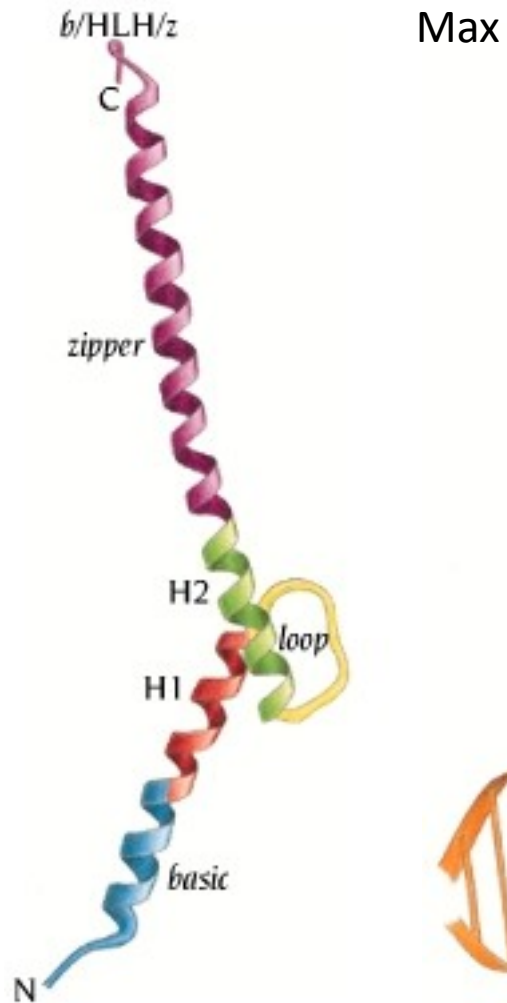
- **Mad-Max:**

- This heterodimer, which replaces Myc-Max during differentiation, represses transcription and promotes cell quiescence and differentiation.

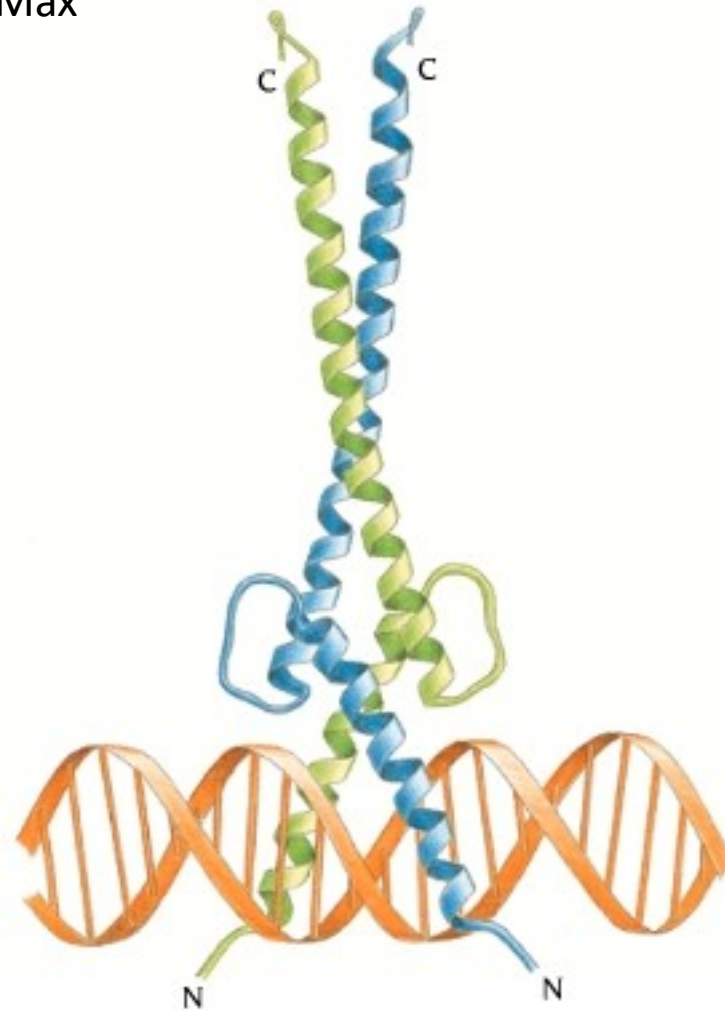
HLH motif

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C-Myc	-	N	E	L	K	R	S	F	F	A	L	R	D	Q	I	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	L	E	N	N	E	K	A	P	-	K	V	V	I	L	K	K	A	T	A	Y	I	L	S	V	-	
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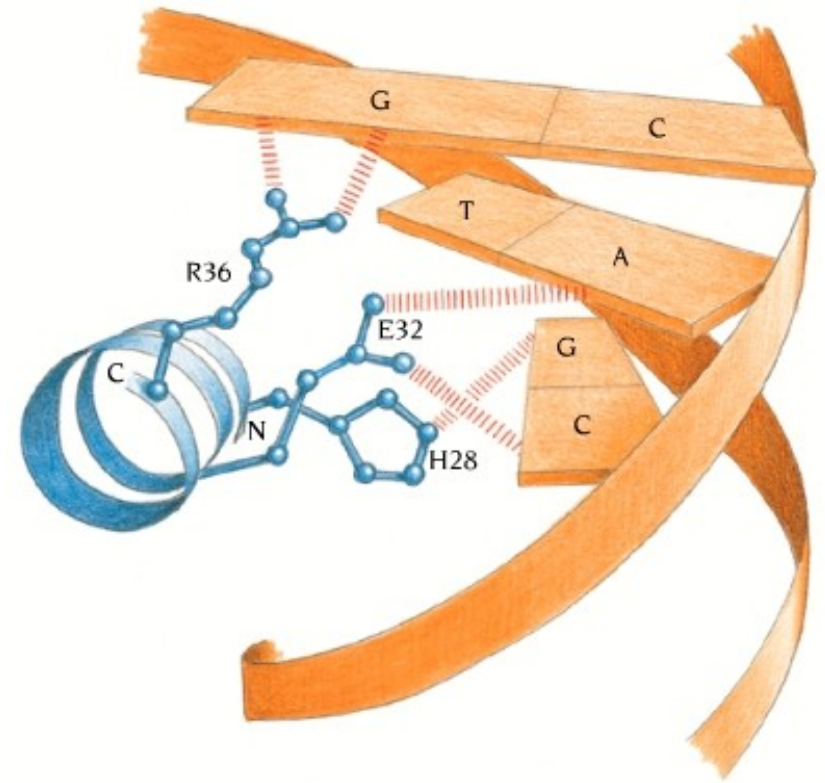
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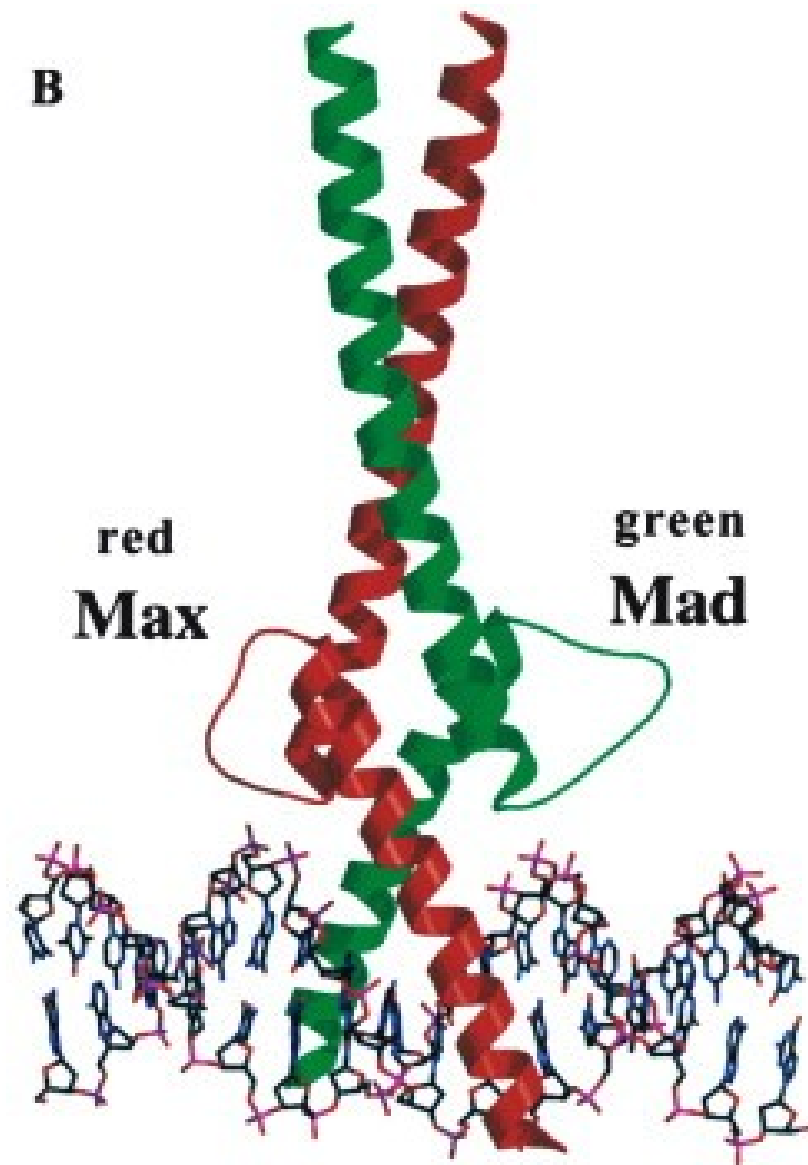
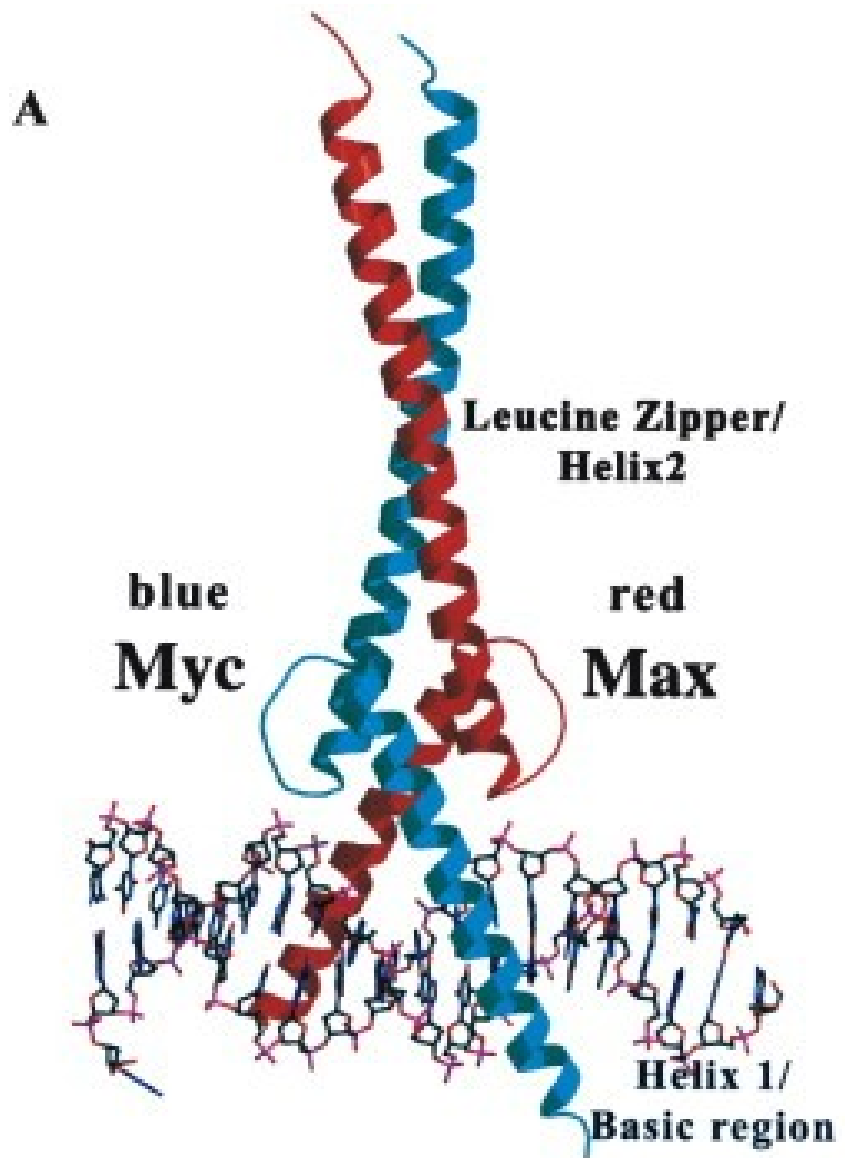
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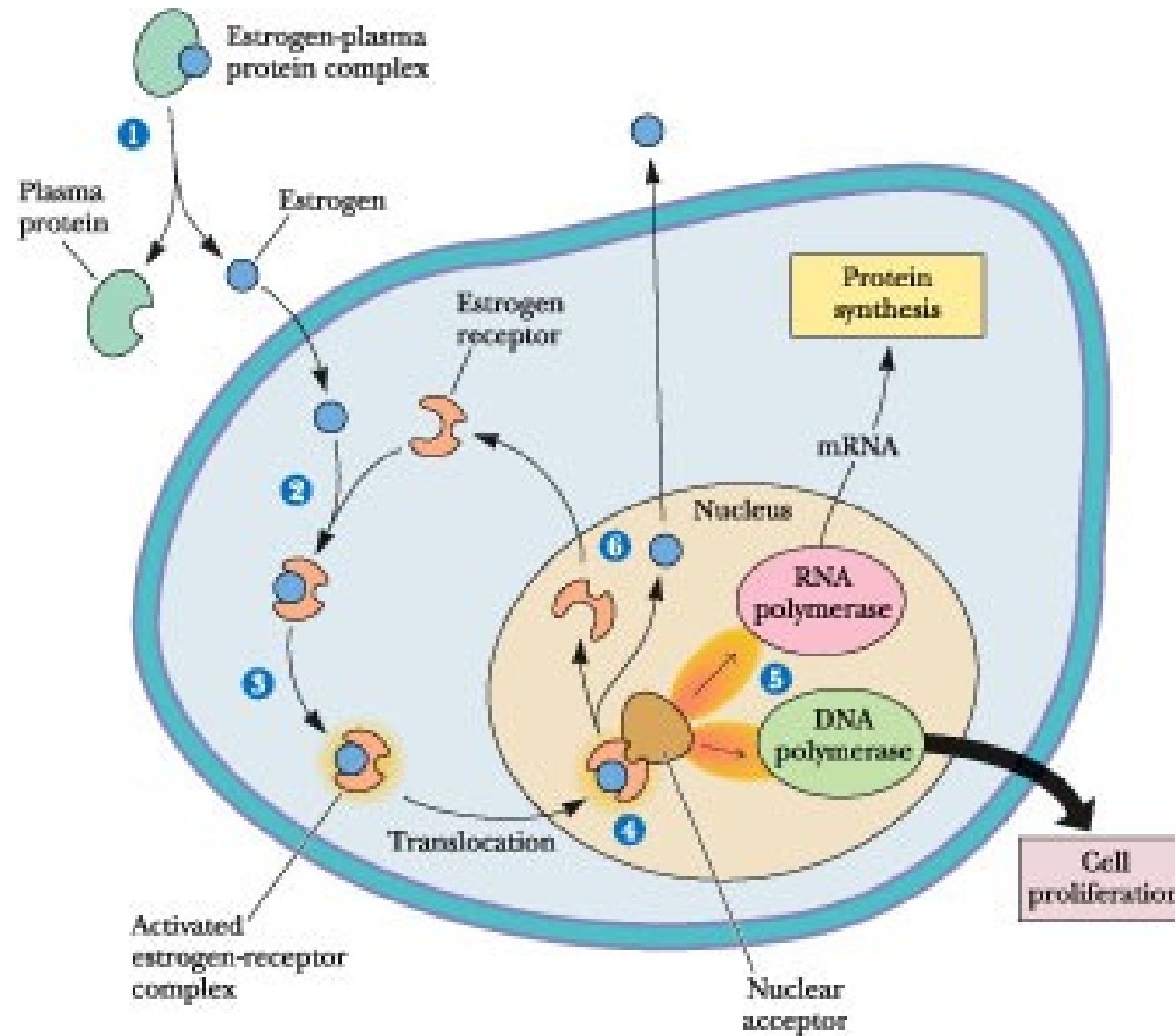
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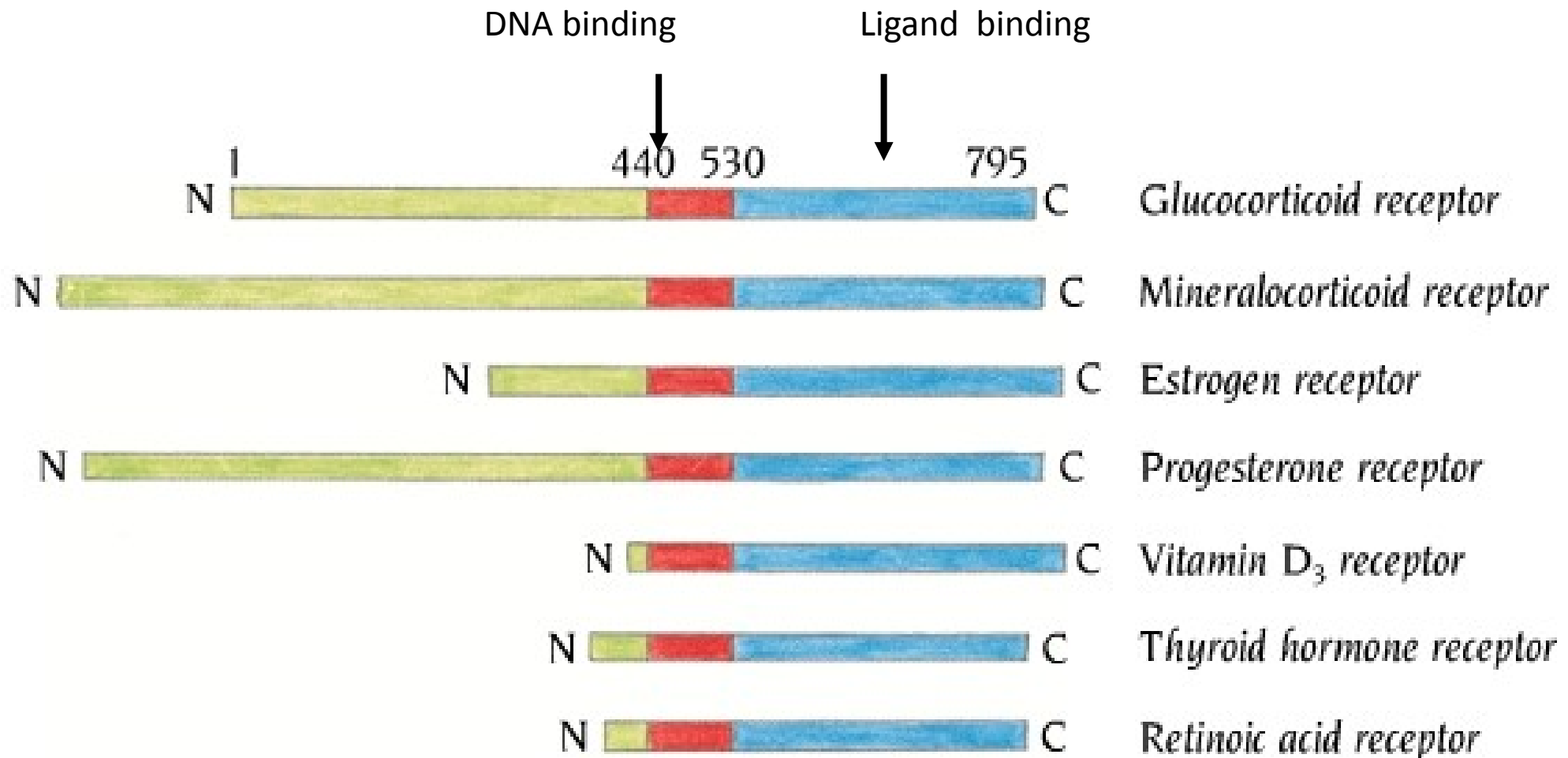
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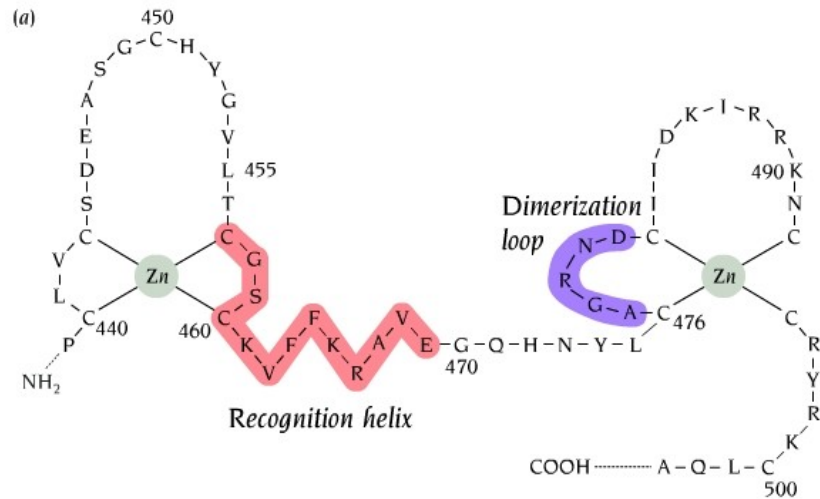
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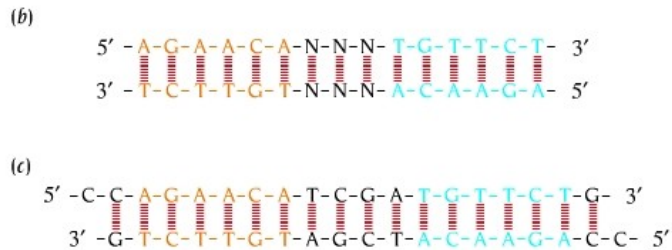
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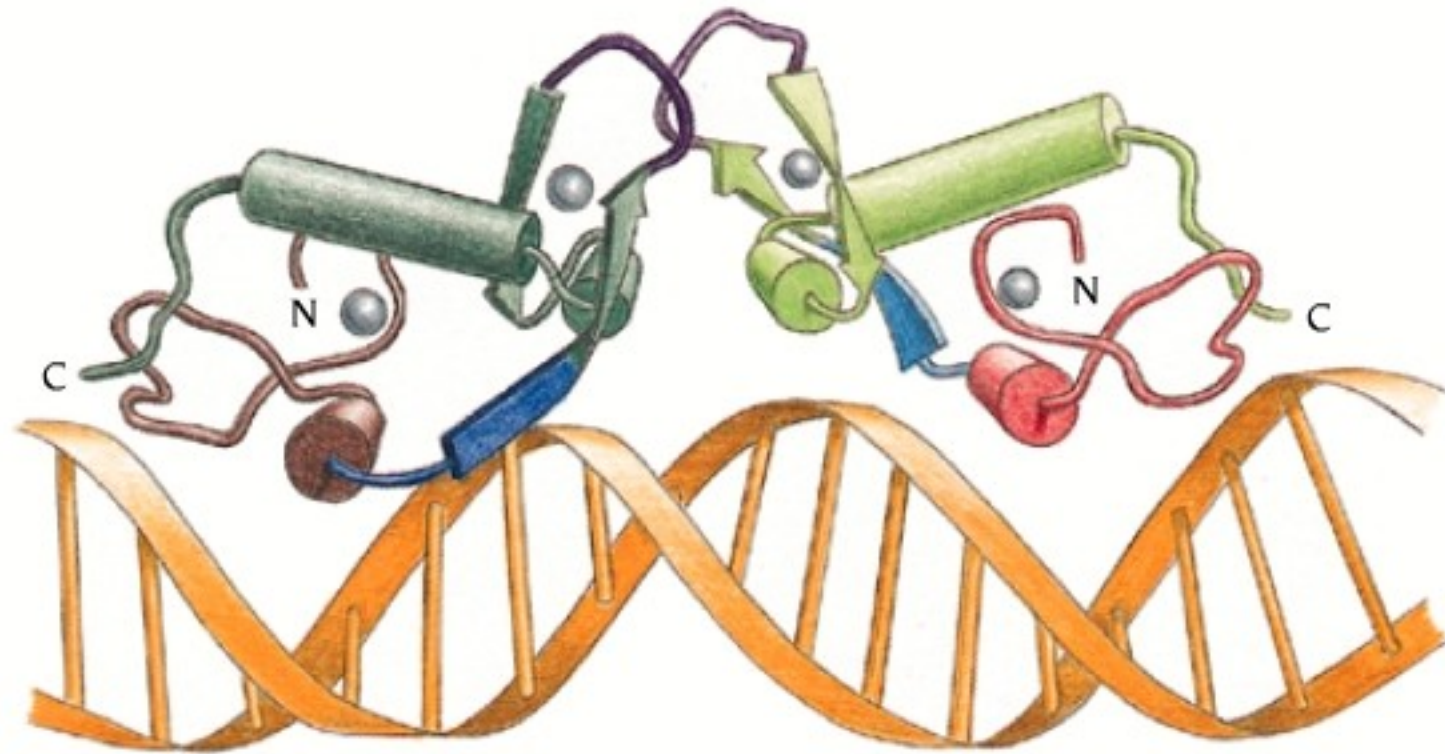
Zinc containing motifs



Glycocorticoid receptor



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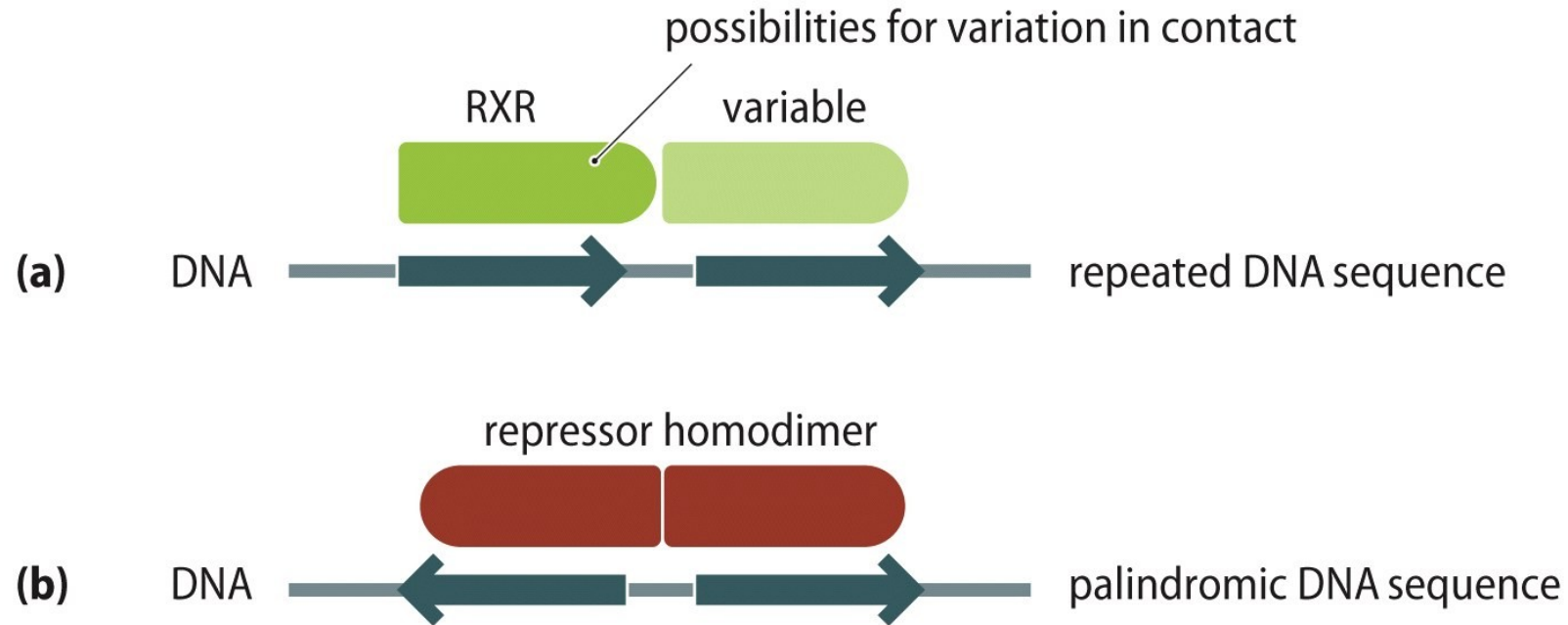


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VDR vitamin D
RXR cis retonic acid
TR thyroid hormone
RAR trans retonic acid

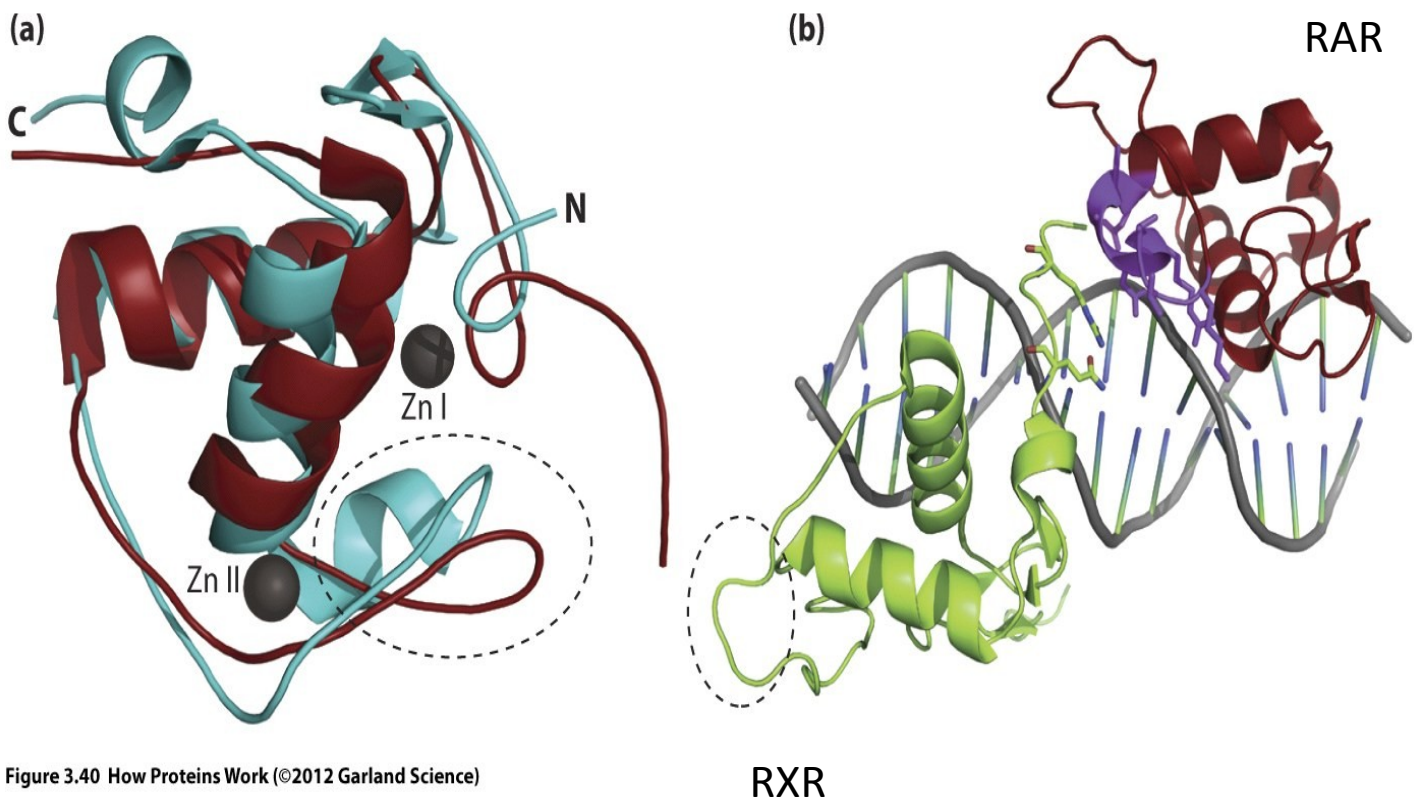


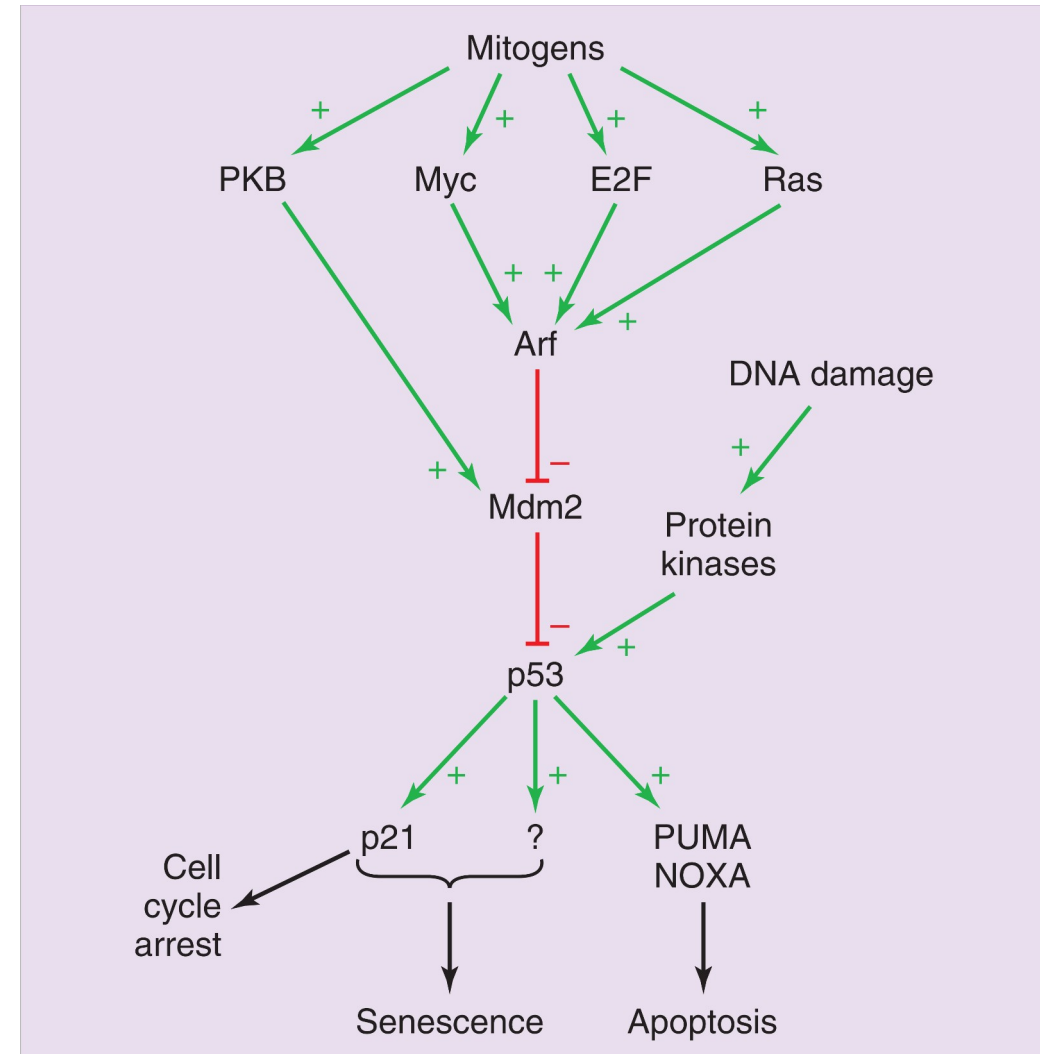
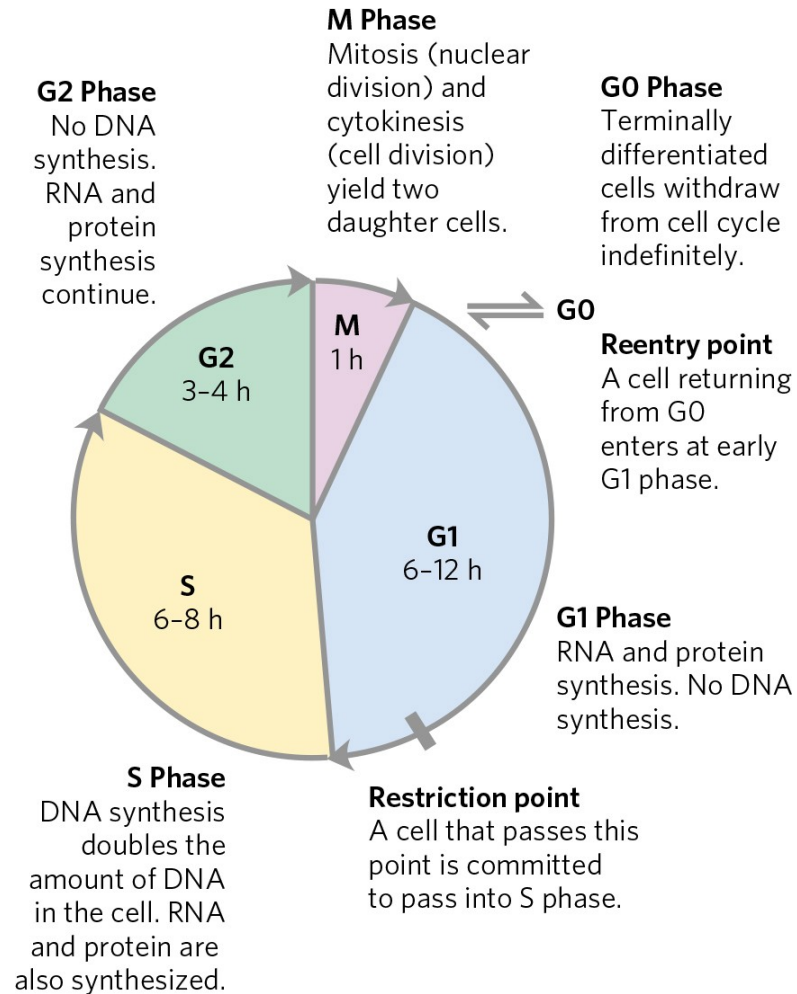
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TABLE 3.1 Lipophilic hormone receptor targets	
RXR.RXR	AGGTCAnAGGTCA
RXR.RAR	AGGTCAnnAGGTCA
RXR.VDR	AGGTCAnnnAGGTCA
RXR.TR	AGGTCAnnnnAGGTCA
RXR.RAR	AGGTCAnnnnnAGGTCA

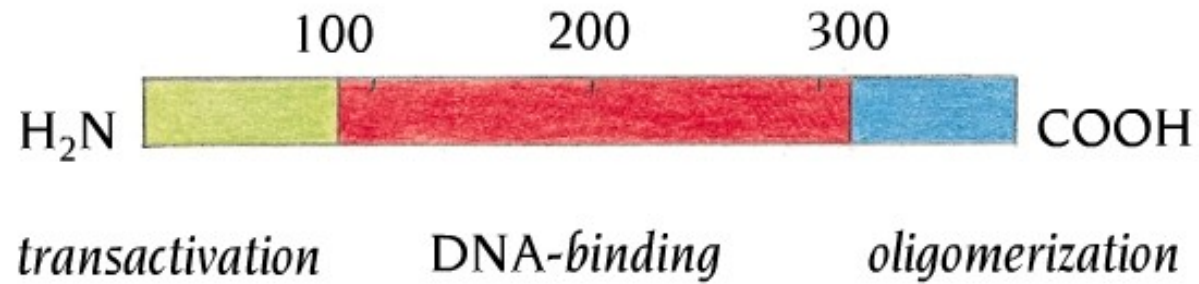
RXR = 9-*cis* retinoic acid receptor; RAR = all-*trans* retinoic acid receptor; VDR = vitamin D1 receptor; TR = thyroid hormone receptor. (Based on a Table in F. Rastinejad, *Curr. Opin. Struct. Biol.* 11:33–38, 2001. With permission from Elsevier.)

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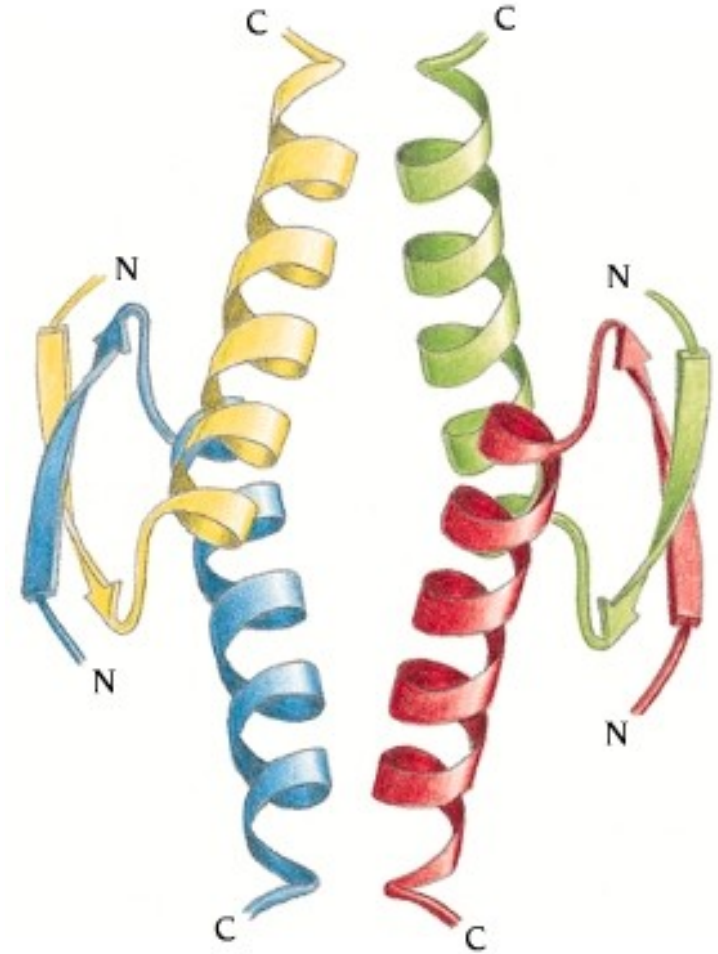
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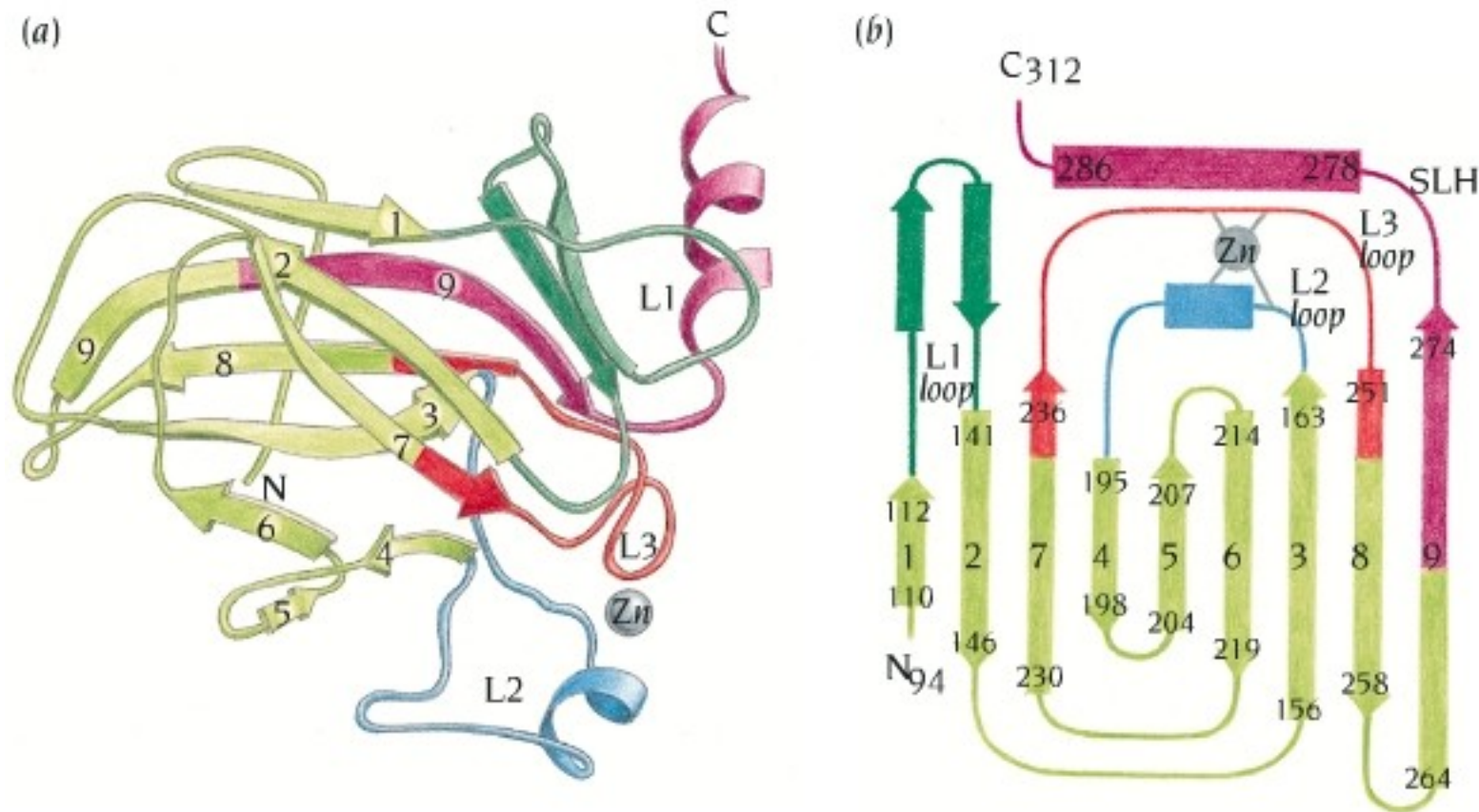


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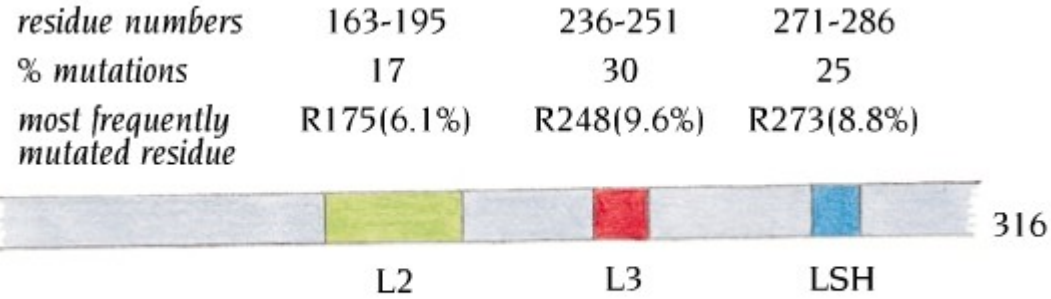


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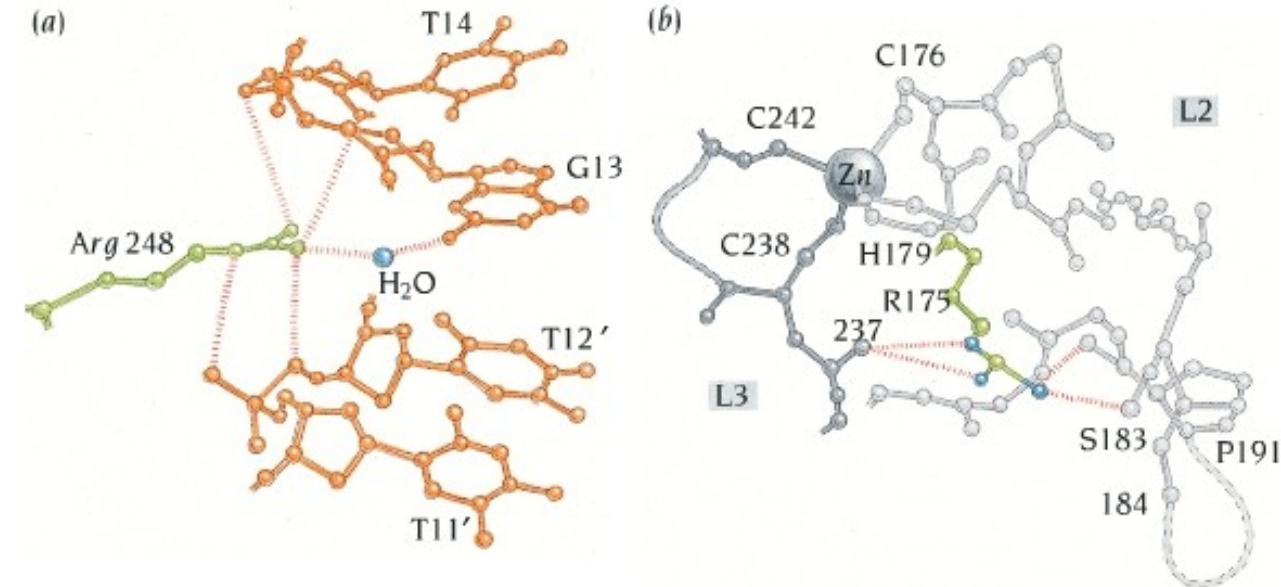
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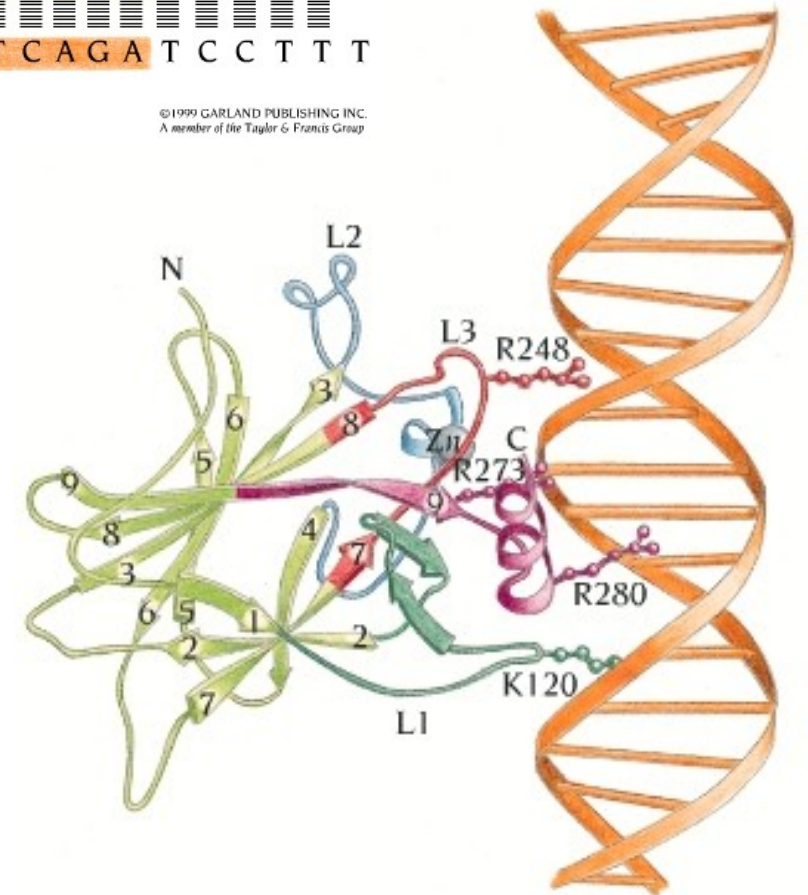
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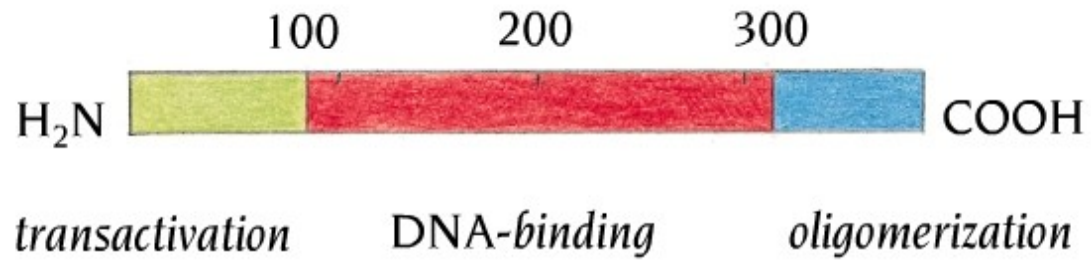


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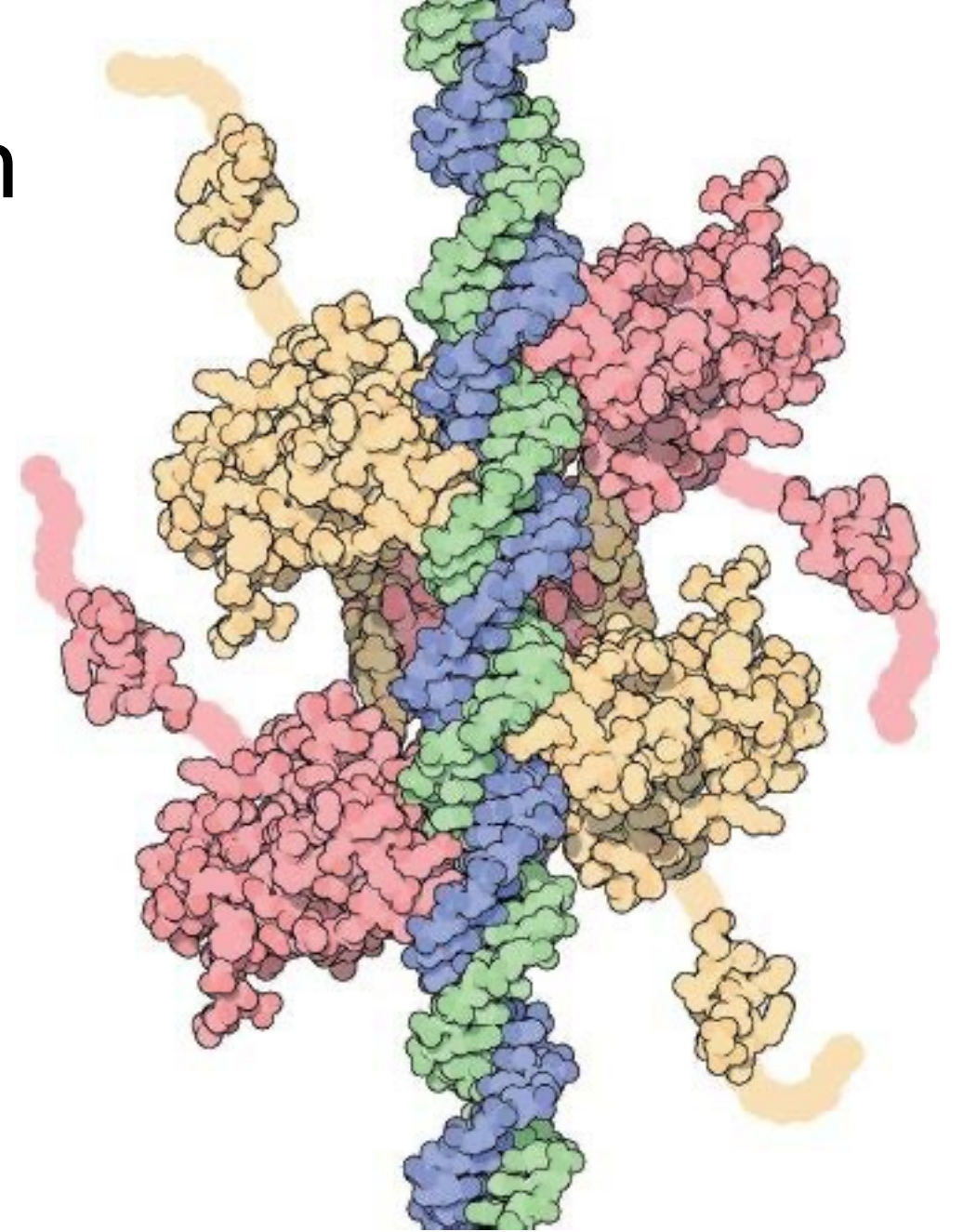


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Isozymes

Isozymes or Isoenzymes are proteins with different structure which catalyze the same reaction.

Frequently they are oligomers made with different polypeptide chains, so they usually differ in regulatory mechanisms and in kinetic characteristics.

From the physiological point of view, isozymes allow the existence of similar enzymes with different characteristics, “customized” to specific tissue requirements or metabolic conditions.

The existence of isozymes permits the fine-tuning of metabolism to meet the needs of a given tissue or developmental stage.

Lactate Dehydrogenase

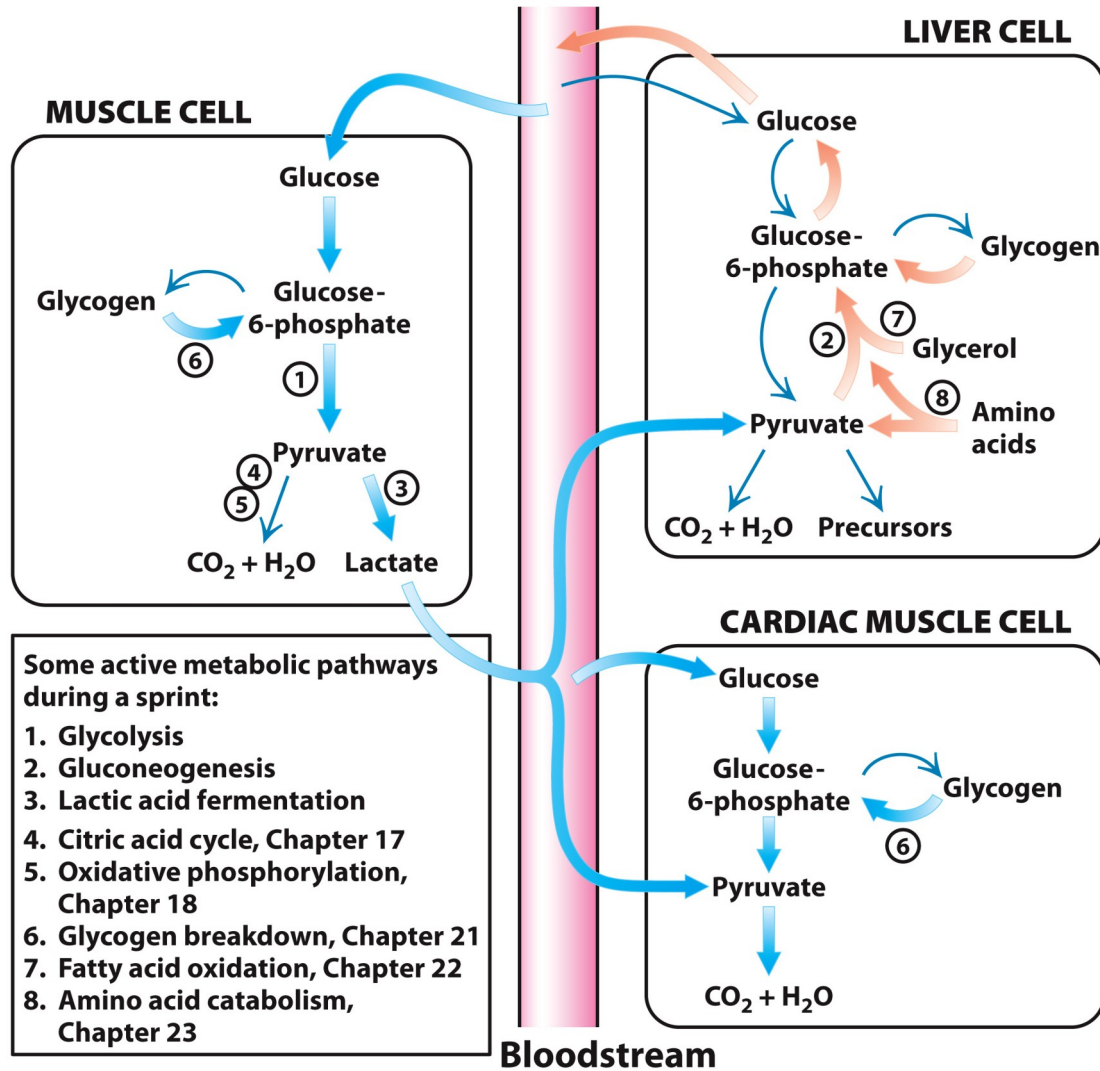


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Muscle

heart

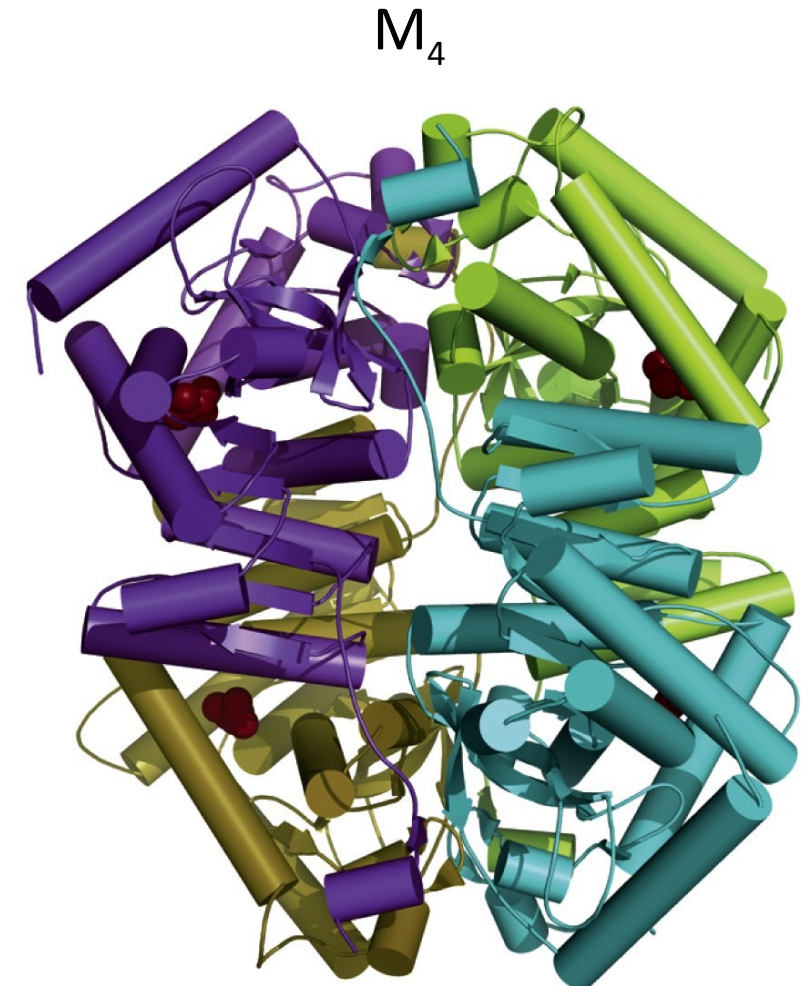
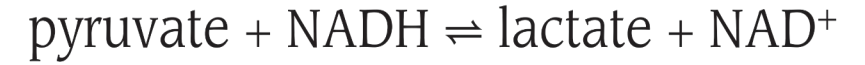
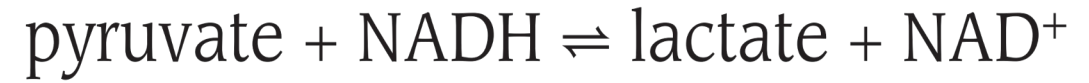


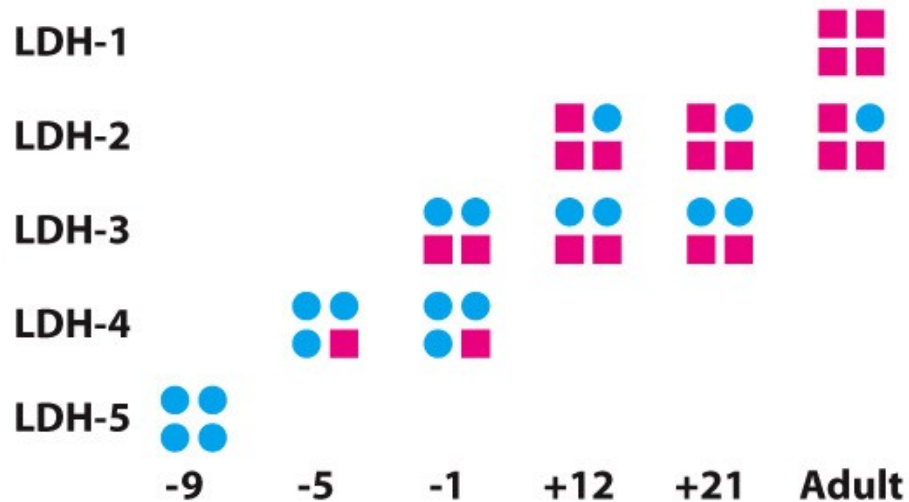
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Lactate Dehydrogenase

H isozyme by squares
M isozyme by circles



(A)



(B)

	Heart	Kidney	Red blood cell	Brain	Leukocyte	Muscle	Liver
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Figure 10.15

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