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Patterns of Inheritance

Developmental Biology

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Evolution

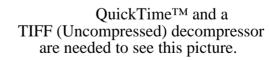
Ecology

Some Important Definitions

Science - the investigation of rational concepts that can be evaluated by observations and experimentation.

Hypothesis - a proposed explanation for an observed phenomenon

Theory - a hypothesis that is consistent with all available evidence





Outline of Lecture 1

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E. Transcription
1. Summary
2. Prokaryotes
3. Eukaryotes

F. Translation

- 1. The genetic code
- 2. Summary of translation

DNA structure

A linear sequence of nucleotides

Nucleotide

Phosphate 5-C sugar Nitrogenous base Thymine Cytosine Guanine Adenine

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Fig 16.3

DNA Structure - the double helix

Fig. 16.5

Fig. 16.7

DNA Replication

Catalyzed by DNA-polymerase

Fig.1.4

Chromosome numbers in Eukaryotes

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Transcription

Template strand - the single strand of DNA that is transcribed

RNA polymerase - the enzyme that catalyzes the synthesis of RNA using DNA as the template

Promoter - the segment of the DNA template strand where RNA polymerase binds and initiates transcription

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Fig. 17.8,17.9

RNA processing

5' cap

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RNA splicing

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Poly-A- tail

The Genetic Code

Codon - 3 base sequence that codes for one amino acid or is a signal.

Transfer RNA (tRNA)

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Fig. 17.13

Translation of mRNA into protein