

Molecular Genetics

Section 4 Gene Regulation and Mutation

Main Idea _____

Details _____

Scan the illustrations and tables in Section 4. Predict the effect of mutations on organisms.

Review Vocabulary

Use your book or dictionary to define prokaryote.

prokaryote

New Vocabulary

Use your book or dictionary to define the following terms.

gene regulation

operon

mutation

mutagen

Academic Vocabulary

Define substitution and write a sentence to show its scientific meaning.

substitution

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Prokaryote Gene Regulation

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Describe *gene regulation in prokaryotes by using the terms below to complete the paragraph.*

- *E. coli*
- environment
- genes
- metabolic pathway
- operator
- promoter
- proteins
- repressor
- RNA polymerase

An operon is a cluster of genes in _____. These genes make _____ that work together in one _____. An operon is able to respond to changes in the _____. The _____ is a segment of DNA that acts as a switch for transcription, turning the operon on or off. When the operon is on, [RNA polymerase] binds to the _____ and transcribes the DNA. When the operon is off, a _____ blocks transcription.

Compare and contrast *the trp operon and the lac operon.*

| | <i>Trp Operon</i> | <i>Lac Operon</i> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Responds to the presence of | | |
| Transcription is turned on when | | |
| The repressor is active when | | |
| When the operon is turned on, the cell can | | |

Eukaryote Gene Regulation

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Analyze *the ways eukaryotes control gene expression.*

| Molecule | Effect on Gene Expression |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Hox genes | |
| Nucleosomes | |
| Small interfering RNA | |
| Transcription factors | |

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Mutations

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Compare and contrast a point mutation and a frameshift mutation by defining each mutation and stating its consequence.

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| Point mutation happens when | consequence: |
| Frameshift mutation occurs when | consequence: |

Analyze each type of DNA mutation and its result. Sketch what each change might look like.

| Mutation | Result | Sketch |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Missense mutation | | |
| Nonsense mutation | | |
| Chromosome rearrangement | | |
| Chromosome deletion | | |

SUMMARIZE

Discuss why a mutagen can have longer-lasting effects in a sex cell than in a body cell.

Tie It Together

SUMMARY

Create a concept web to tie together what you learned in this chapter about molecular genetics. Hint: You might find it easier to first list the facts or topics you want to include, then decide how to connect them in the web.