Bell Ringer

What is a codon?

What is an anticodon?



Translation

What is it?

Creating an amino acid chain (protein) from an mRNA message.

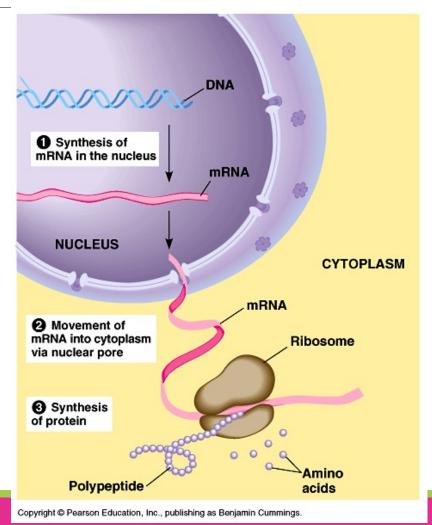
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mRNA binds to a **ribosome** in the cytoplasm.

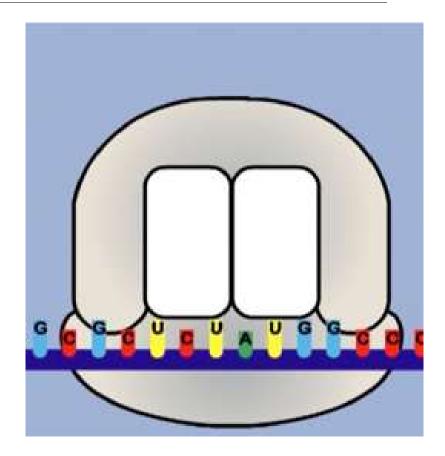


Step 1: Ribosome binds

Ribosome: a protein structure that provides the machinery for creating an amino acid chain.

The translation "factory"

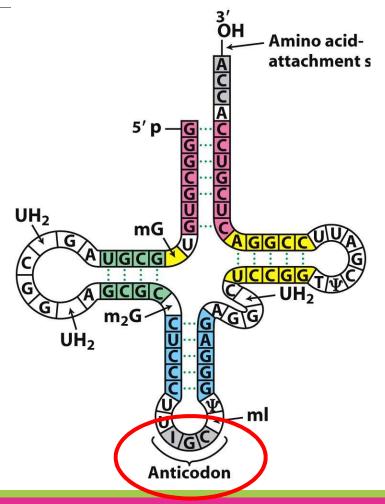
The mRNA strand binds to the ribosome to begin translation



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tRNA (transfer RNA): specially folded RNA structures that carry specific amino acids based on their **anticodon** sequence.

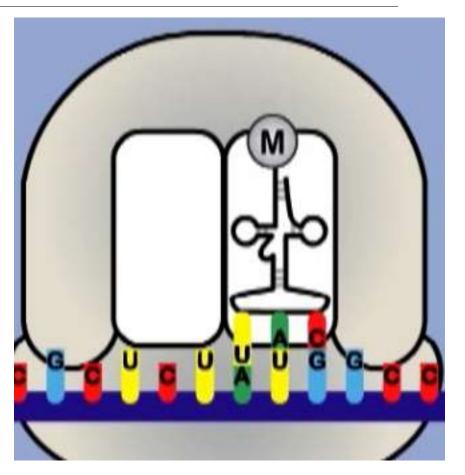
Anticodon: a group of 3 unpaired RNA bases on the tRNA that can pair with codons on the mRNA.



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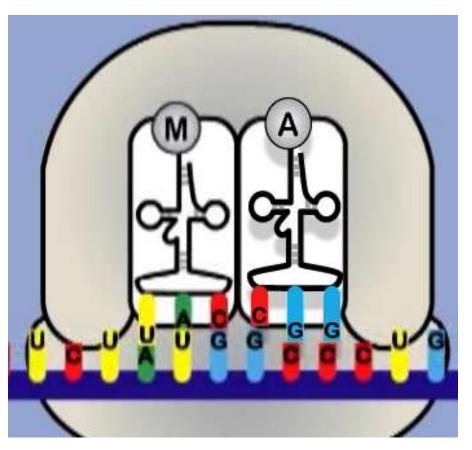


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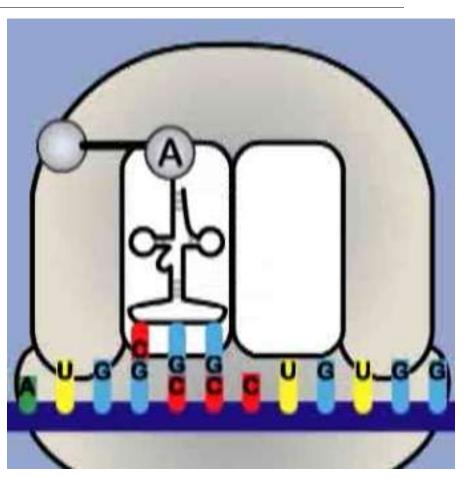
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Then a second tRNA binds to the second mRNA codon.



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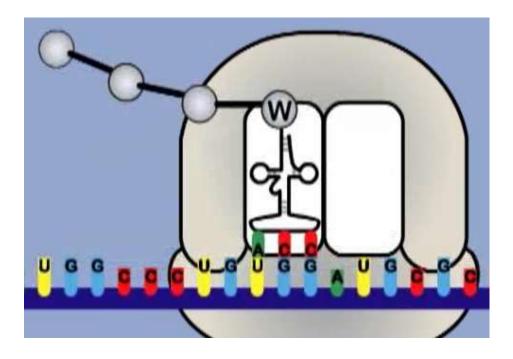
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Ribosome shifts along mRNA strand to continue adding tRNAs.



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EXIT TASK

If you make a mistake (mutation) in the DNA or mRNA, how would that affect the protein "message" that would be made?