# Watson and Crick



http://www.dnai.org/timeline/index.html 1954 Watson Remembers

# They weren't so great

- Knew that proteins were made in cytoplasm
- Knew DNA was in nucleus

 Didn't know how info from DNA got to cytoplasm

# The REAL Scientist

- Roslind Franklin
- X-rays of DNA
- ACTUALY WORKED IN A LAB!



# The Boys Just Played with Paper

- We know DNA is a nucleic acid
- Nucleic acids are strings of

#### NUCLEOTIDES

#### Start with 4 bases



## The Boys Just Played with Paper

















## Bases are where its at

• A always pairs with T

#### C always pairs with G









# AGCATGGTA TCGTACCAT



# Replication

Copying DNA to make more DNA

# Replication

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http://learn.genetics.utah.edu/

Only look at first three slides



So there you have it....DNA

....But didn't Watson and Crick want to know how it got from the nucleus to the cytoplasm?

# **RNA**

- It ain't DNA
- It's "D Sugar" that's different

Deoxyribose -DNA
Ribose - RNA



# No Biggie

#### RNA

- One strand
- Ribose sugar backbone
- Moves out of the nucleus (mRNA)
- 4 Base pairs: AUCG

## DNA

- Two strands
- Deoxyribose sugar backbone
- Can't leave the nucleus
- 4 Base pairs: ATCG

# AGCATGGTA UCGUACCAU



So if we're making RNA from a DNA strand....

# Transcription

 Making RNA from DNA to move out of the nucleus



# Replication: Just copying to stay in the nucleus, DNA

# Transcription: Making mRNA to move out of nucleus

Important: Use U instead of T

# From Code to Amino Acid

- 1. mRNA takes message to ribosome
- Ribosome links up the correct amino acid following the message
- How does it "read" the message?

# CODONS

Codons = three letters of the message



- What does UCG mean?
- What do chains of amino acids make?

# Look at the code breaker!

# UCGUACCAU Ser Tyr His

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Amino acids are actually like a different "language" from RNA/DNA

# Translation

 Making protein (amino acid chains) from mRNA at the ribosome

Video : Protein Synthesis in groups DNA folder

# **Great Animation**

- http://highered.mcgrawhill.com/sites/0072437316/student\_view0/ chapter15/animations.html#
- http://www.ncc.gmu.edu/dna/ANIMPROT. htm
- http://www.lewport.wnyric.org/jwanamaker/ animations/Protein%20Synthesis%20-%20long.html

# Translation

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