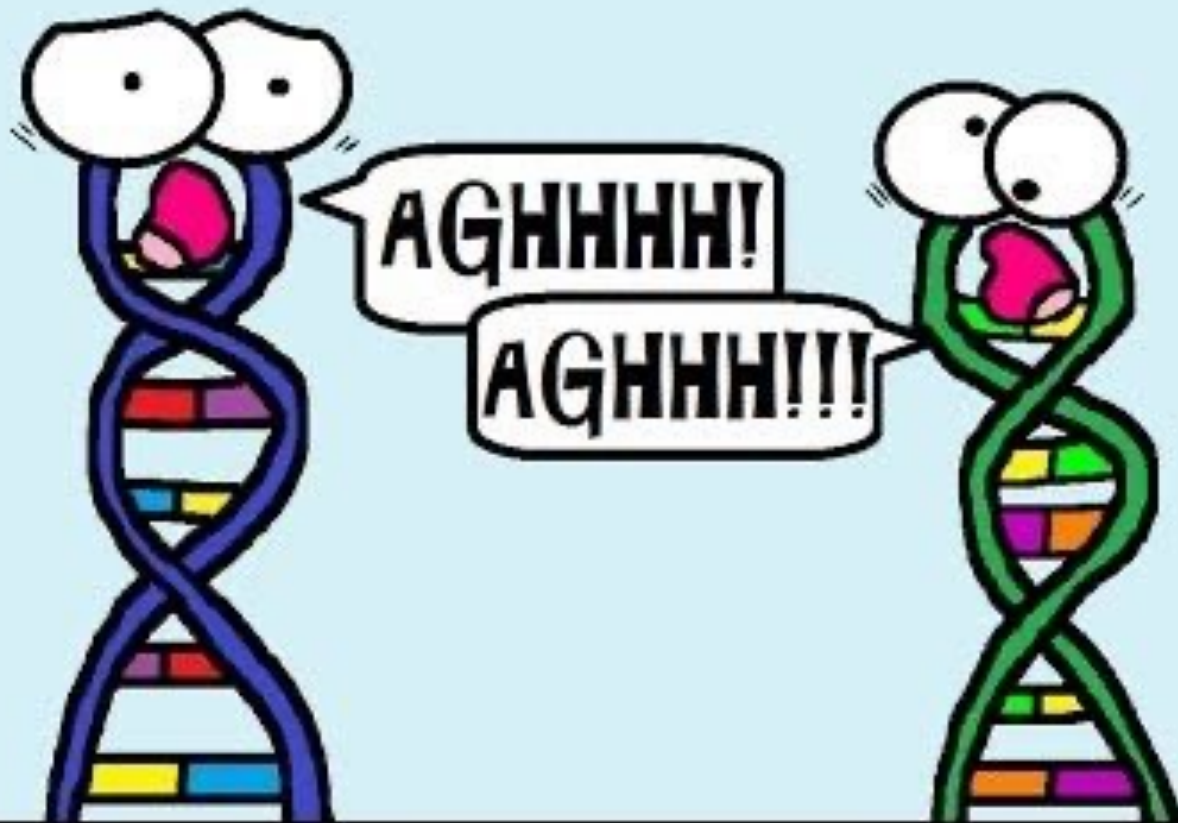
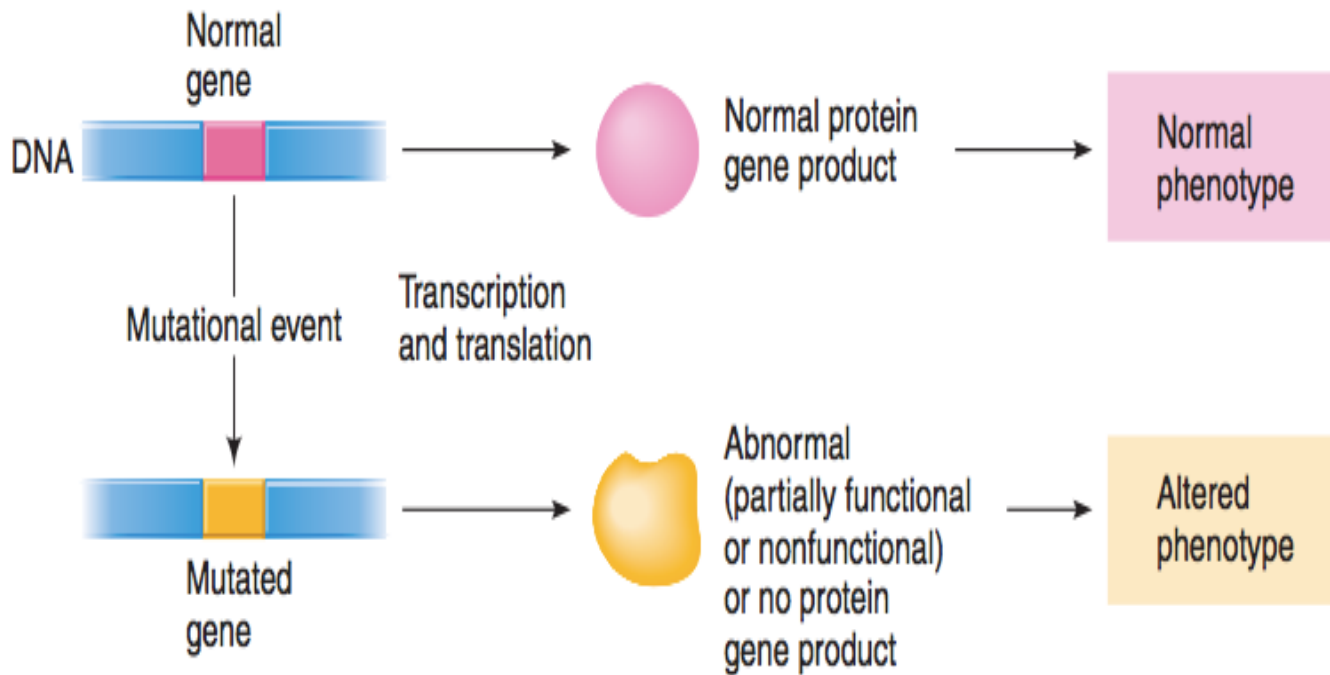


# Mutations



# Concept of Mutation



**Figure 7.1**

**Concept of a mutation in the protein-coding region of a gene.** (Note that not all mutations lead to altered proteins and that not all mutations are in protein-coding regions.)

I'M HUNGRY, AND COLD,  
AND STRESSED, AND  
EVERYTHING IS AWFUL.

MIGHT BE TIME TO  
FLIP YOUR SWITCH.



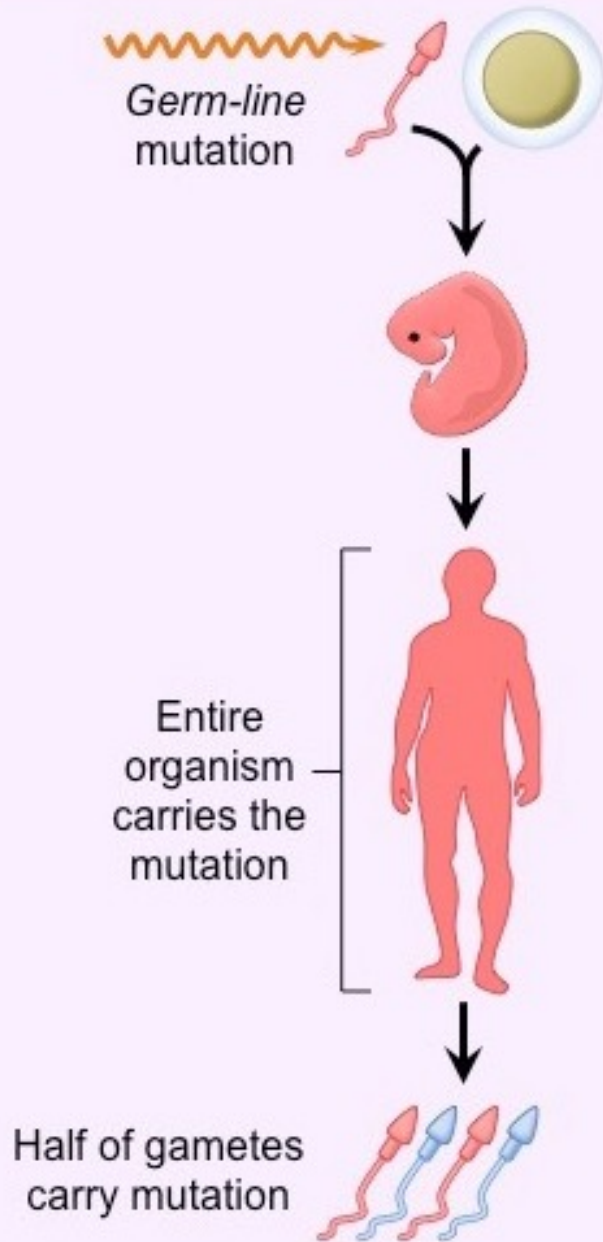
# MUTATIONS

TURN ON TO SPEED UP EVOLUTION

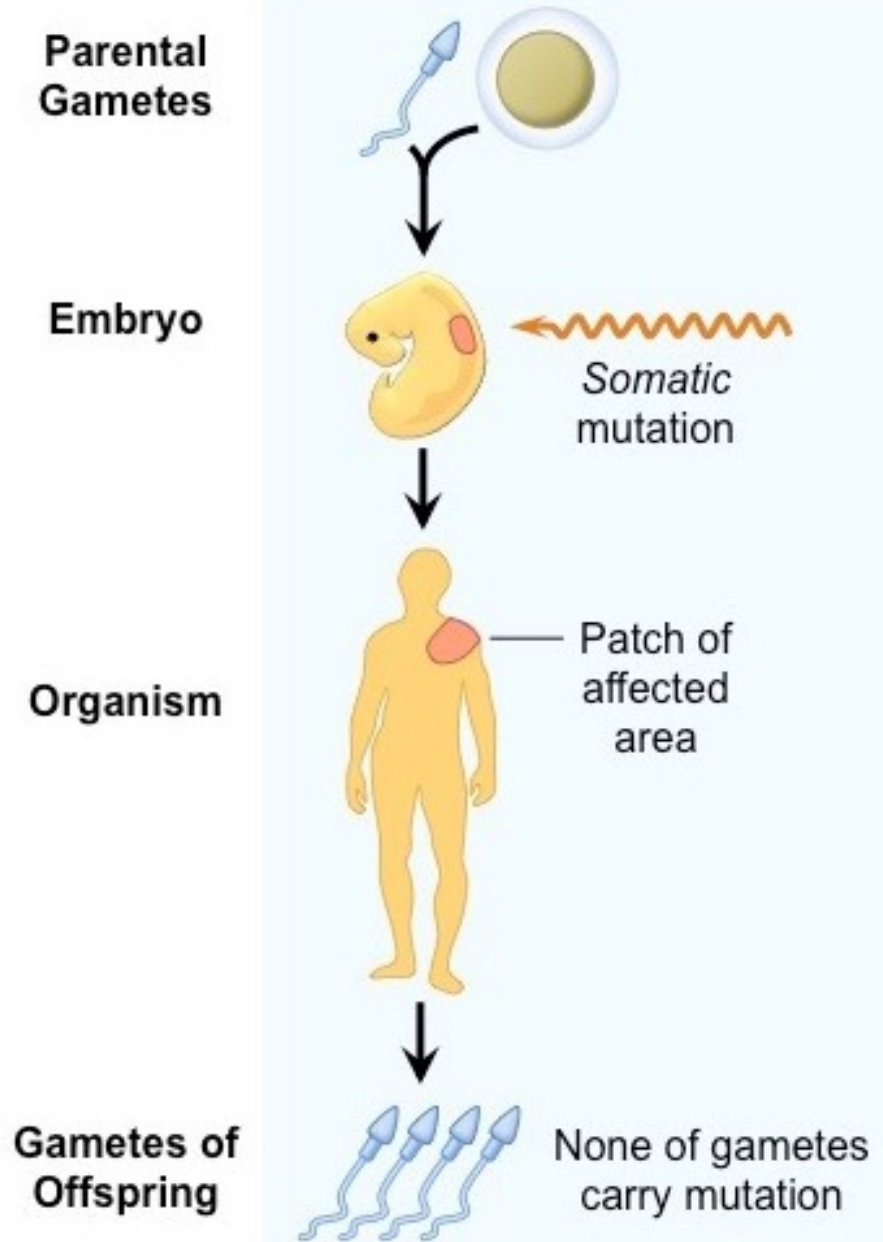


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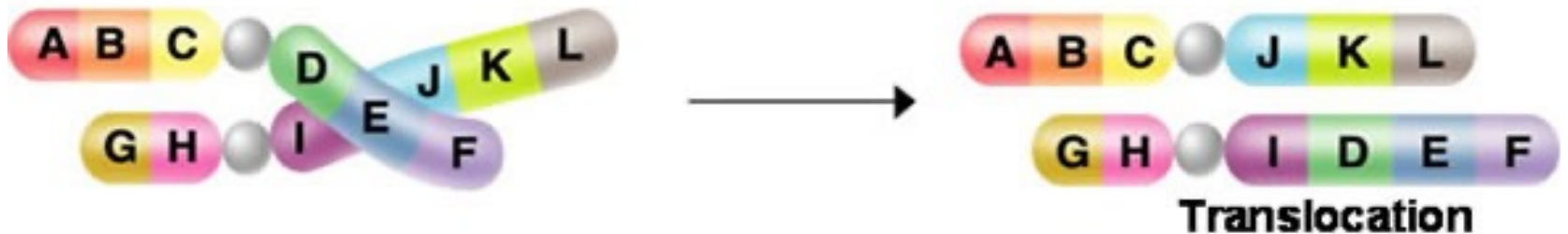
## GERM-LINE MUTATIONS



## SOMATIC MUTATIONS

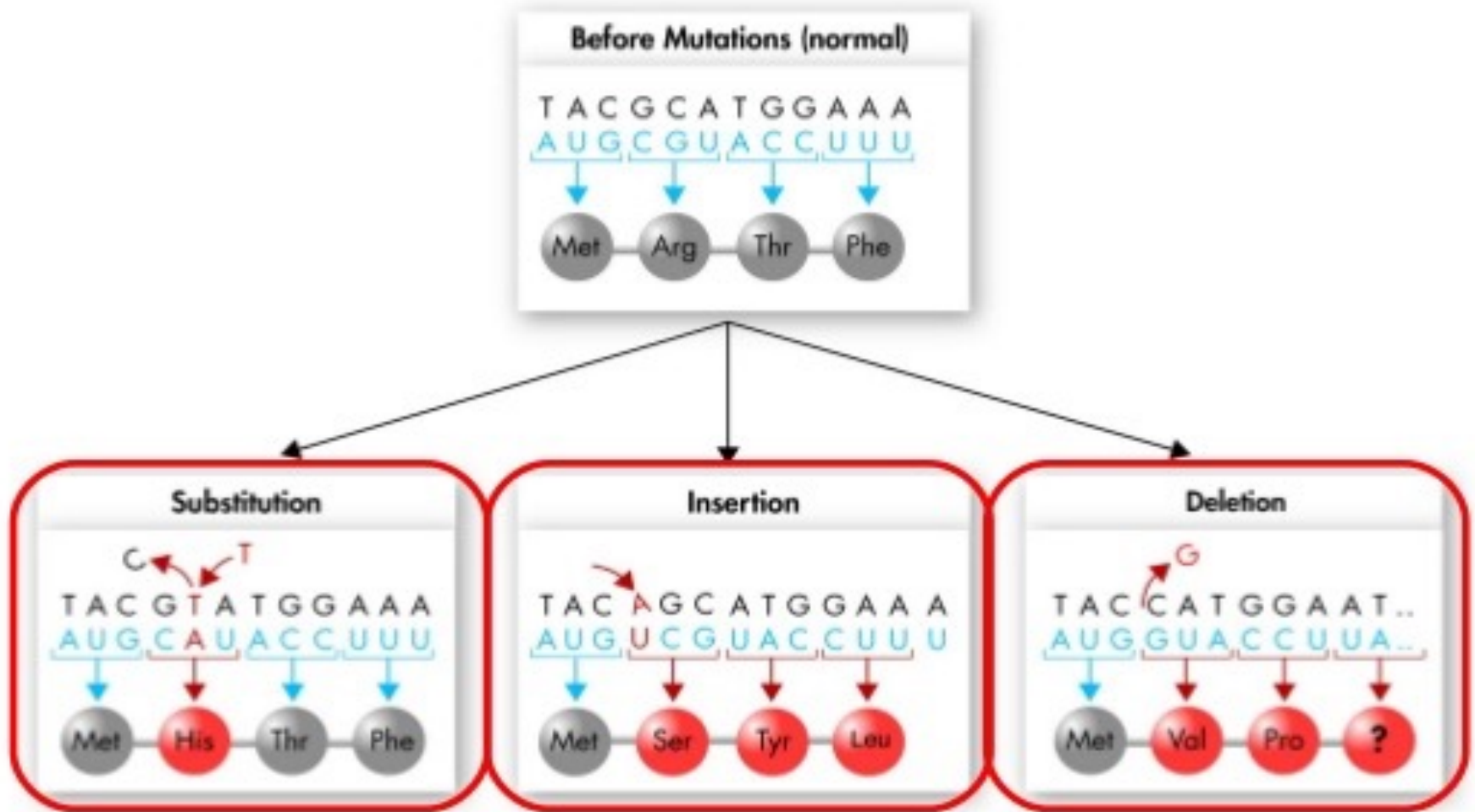


# Chromosomal Mutations



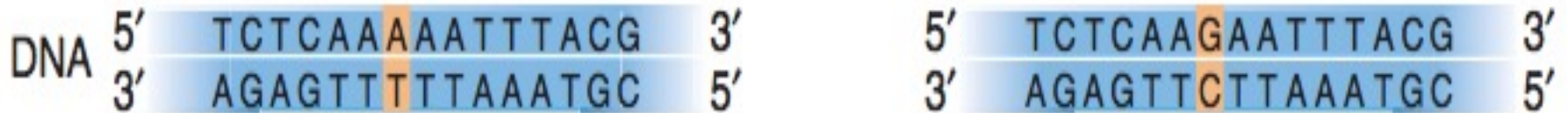


# Point Mutations



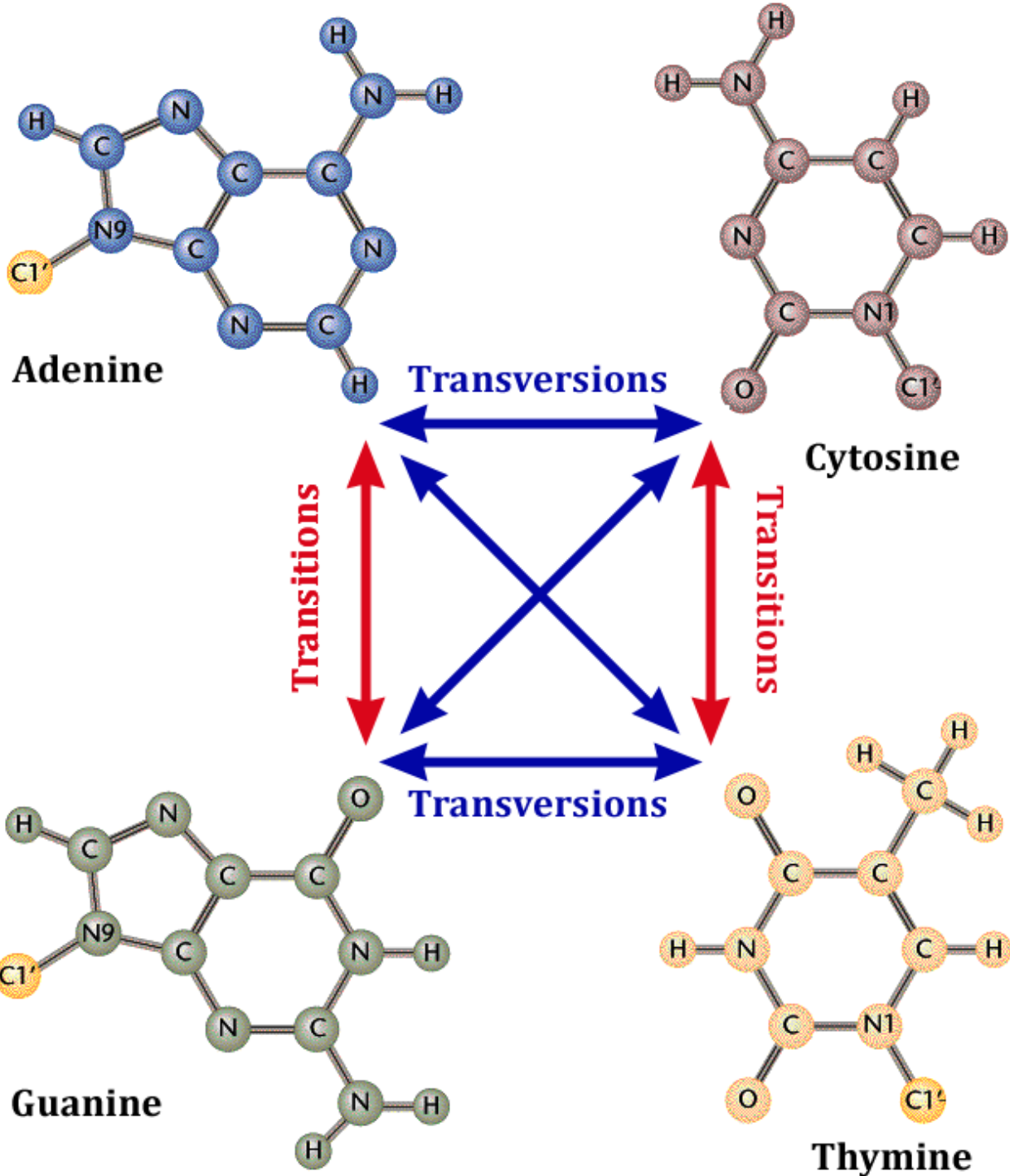
# 1. Base-Pair Substitution

a) Transition mutation (A–T to G–C in this example)



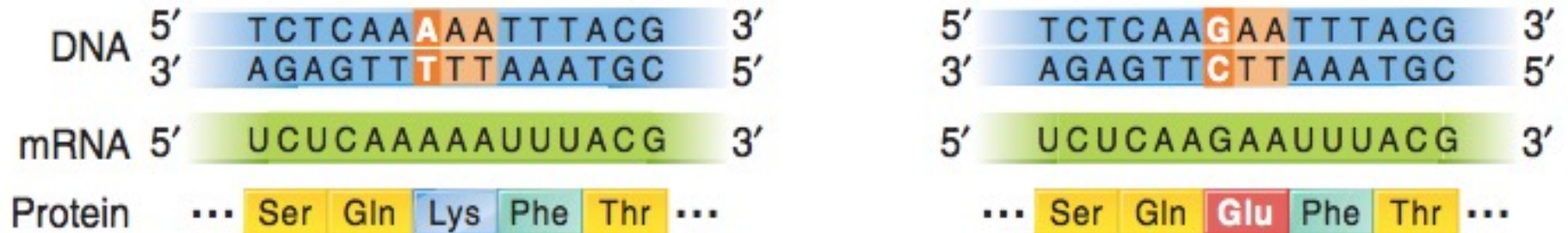
b) Transversion mutation (C–G to G–C in this example)



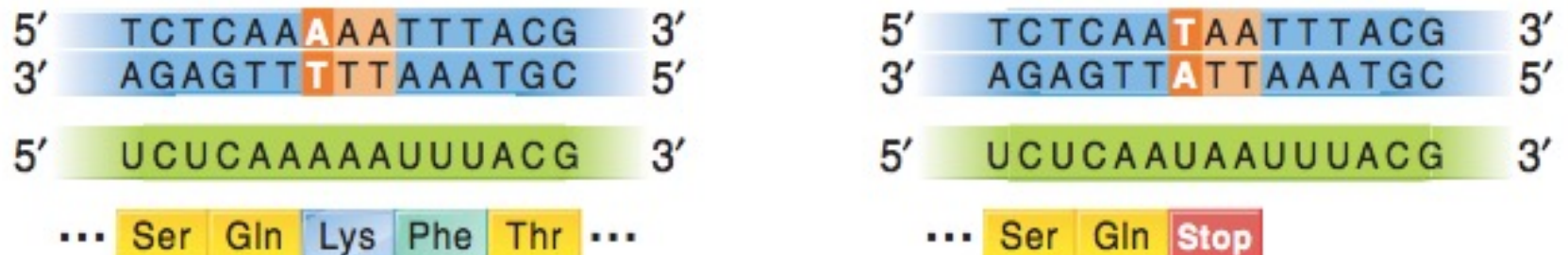




c) **Missense mutation (change from one amino acid to another; here, an AT-to-GC transition mutation changes the codon from lysine to glutamic acid)**

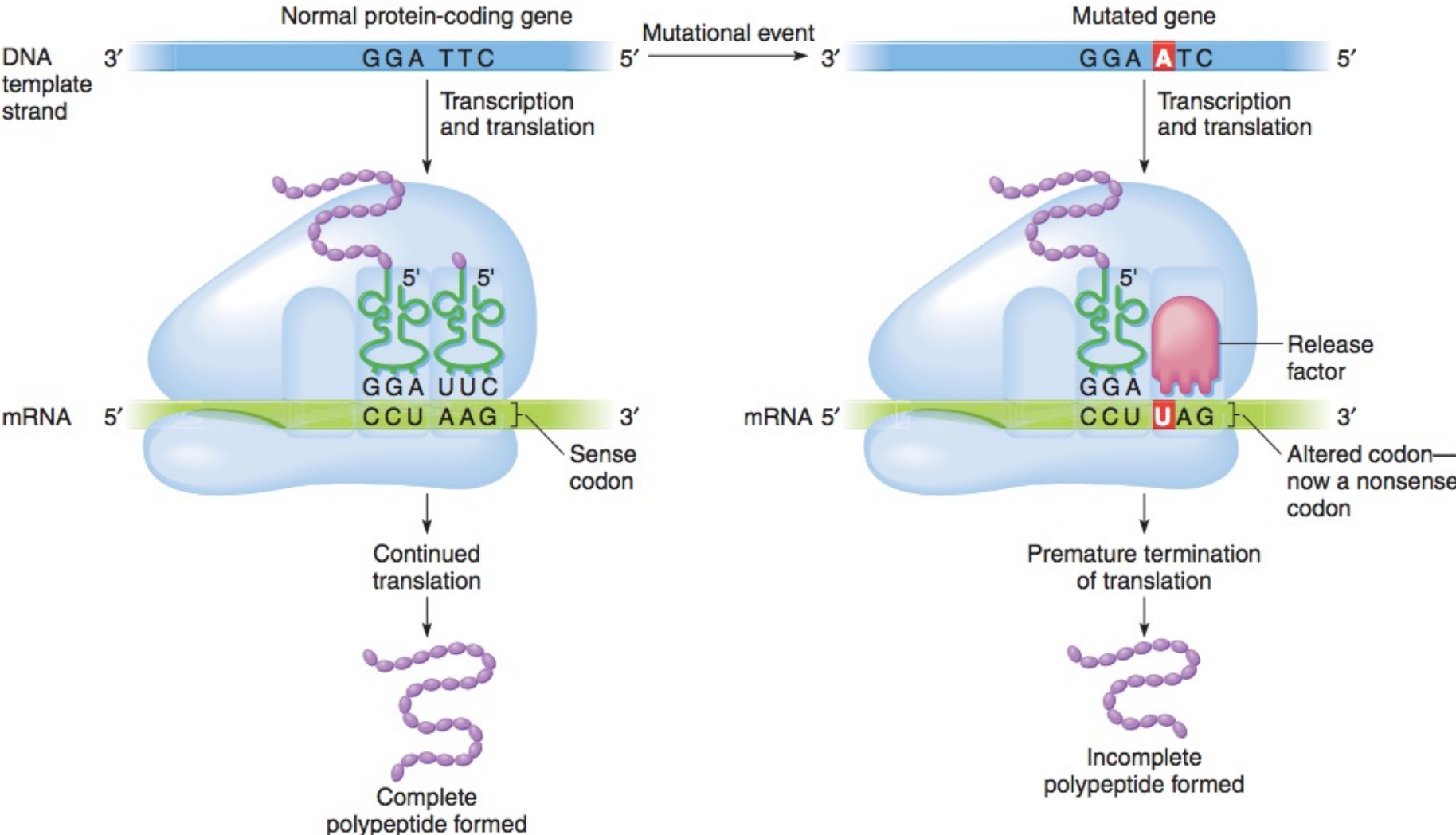


d) **Nonsense mutation (change from an amino acid to a stop codon; here, an AT-to-TA transversion mutation changes the codon from lysine to UAA stop codon)**

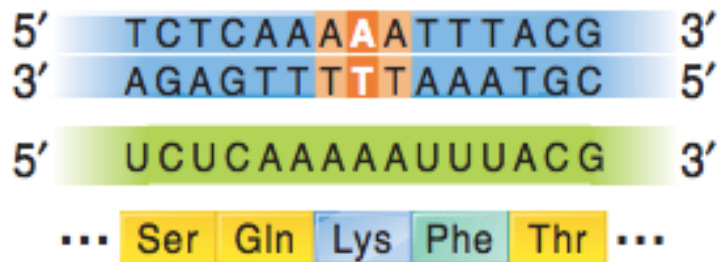


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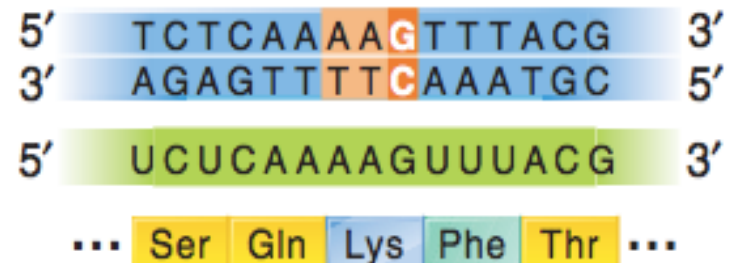
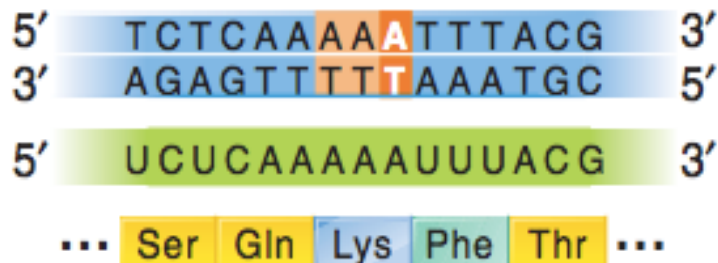
## A nonsense mutation and its effect on translation.



- e) **Neutral mutation (change from an amino acid to another amino acid with similar chemical properties; here, an AT-to-GC transition mutation changes the codon from lysine to arginine)**

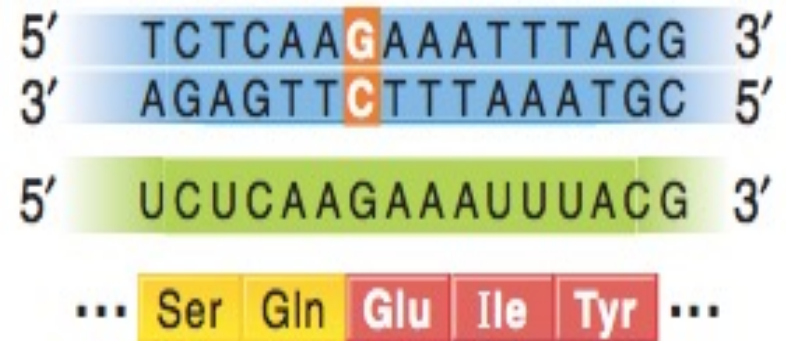
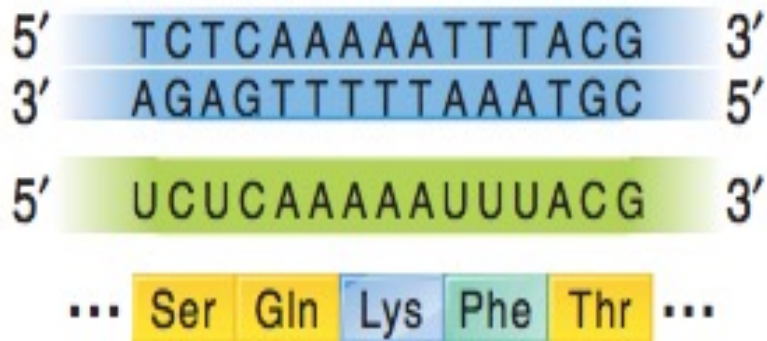


- f) **Silent mutation (change in codon such that the same amino acid is specified; here, an AT-to-GC transition in the third position of the codon gives a codon that still encodes lysine)**



## 2. Frameshift Mutation

Frameshift mutation (addition or deletion of one or a few base pairs leads to a change in reading frame; here, the insertion of a G–C base pair scrambles the message after glutamine)





# Spontaneous Mutations



1. Error during DNA replication

(a) Tautomeric shift

(b) Wobble pairing

(c) DNA looping-out errors

2. Spontaneous chemical changes

(a) Depurination

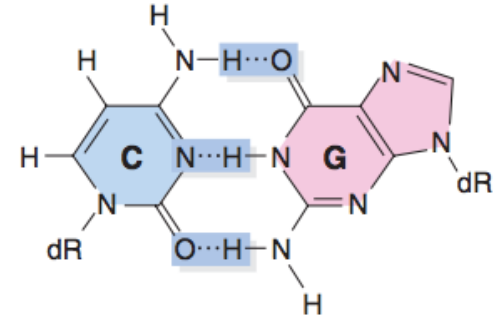
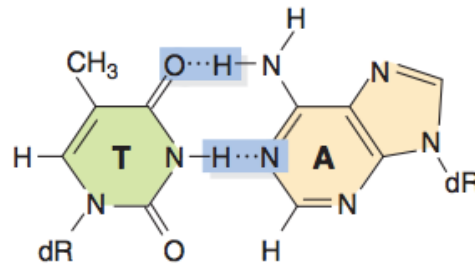
(b) Deamination



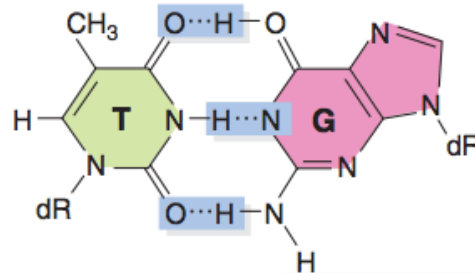
**Figure 7.6**

Normal Watson-Crick and non-Watson-Crick base pairing in DNA.

a) Normal Watson-Crick base pairing between normal pyrimidines and normal purines

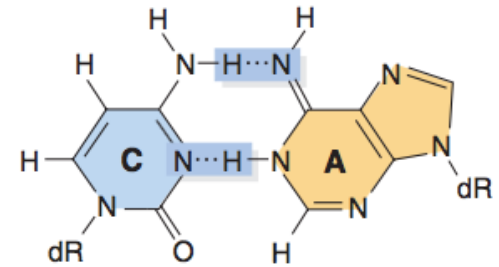


b) Non-Watson-Crick base pairing between normal pyrimidines and rare forms of purines



Normal thymine

Rare enol form of guanine

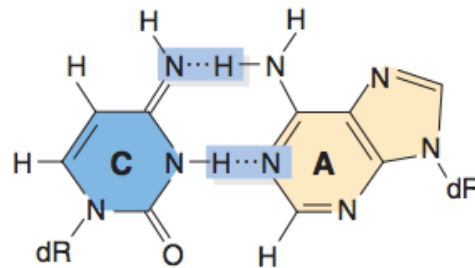


Normal cytosine

Rare imino form of adenine

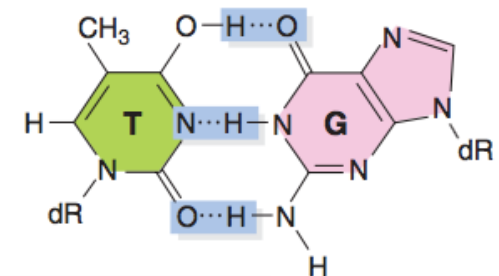
**Tautomeric shift**

c) Non-Watson-Crick base pairing between rare forms of pyrimidines and normal purines



Rare imino form of cytosine

Normal adenine

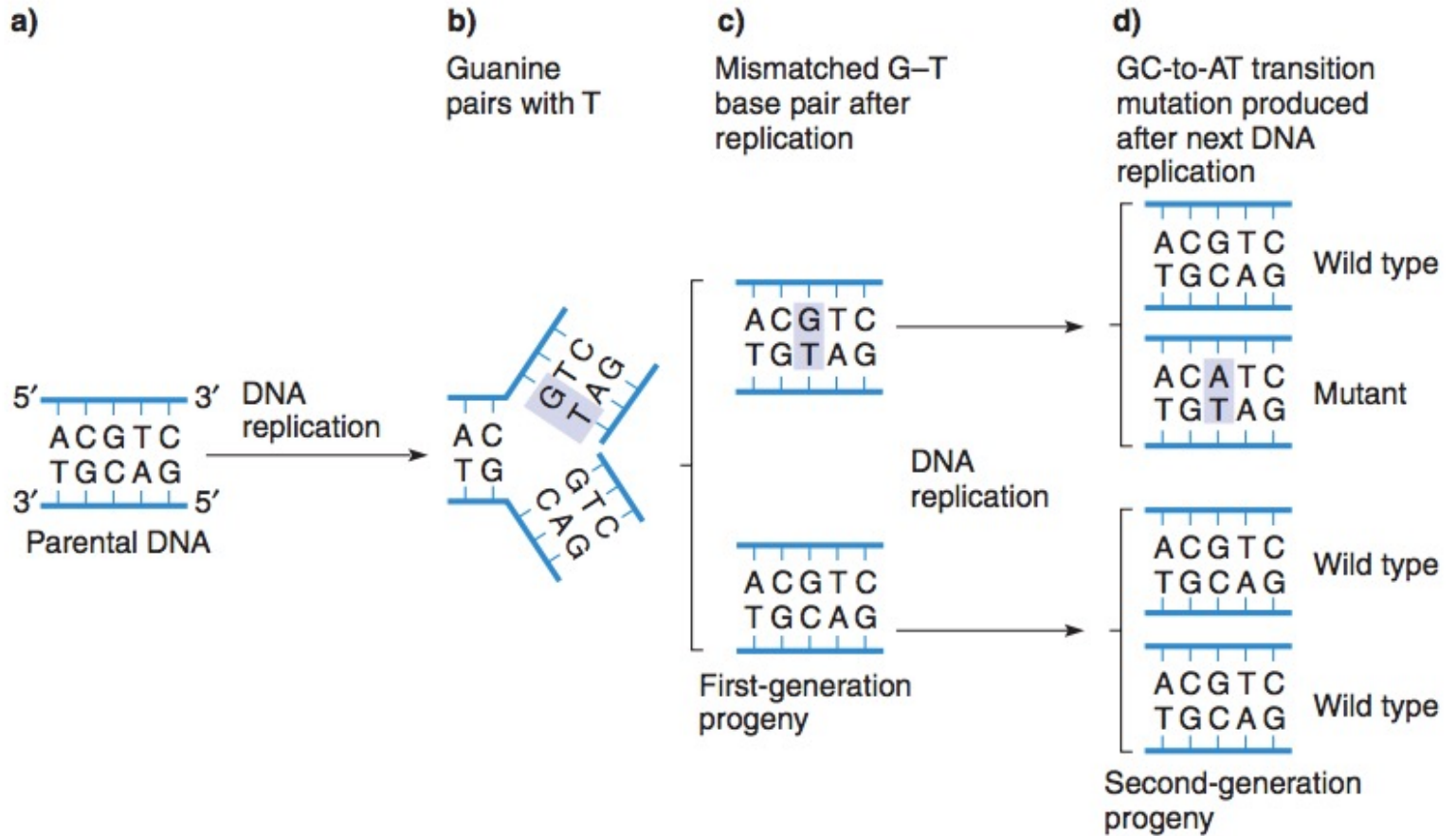


Rare enol form of thymine

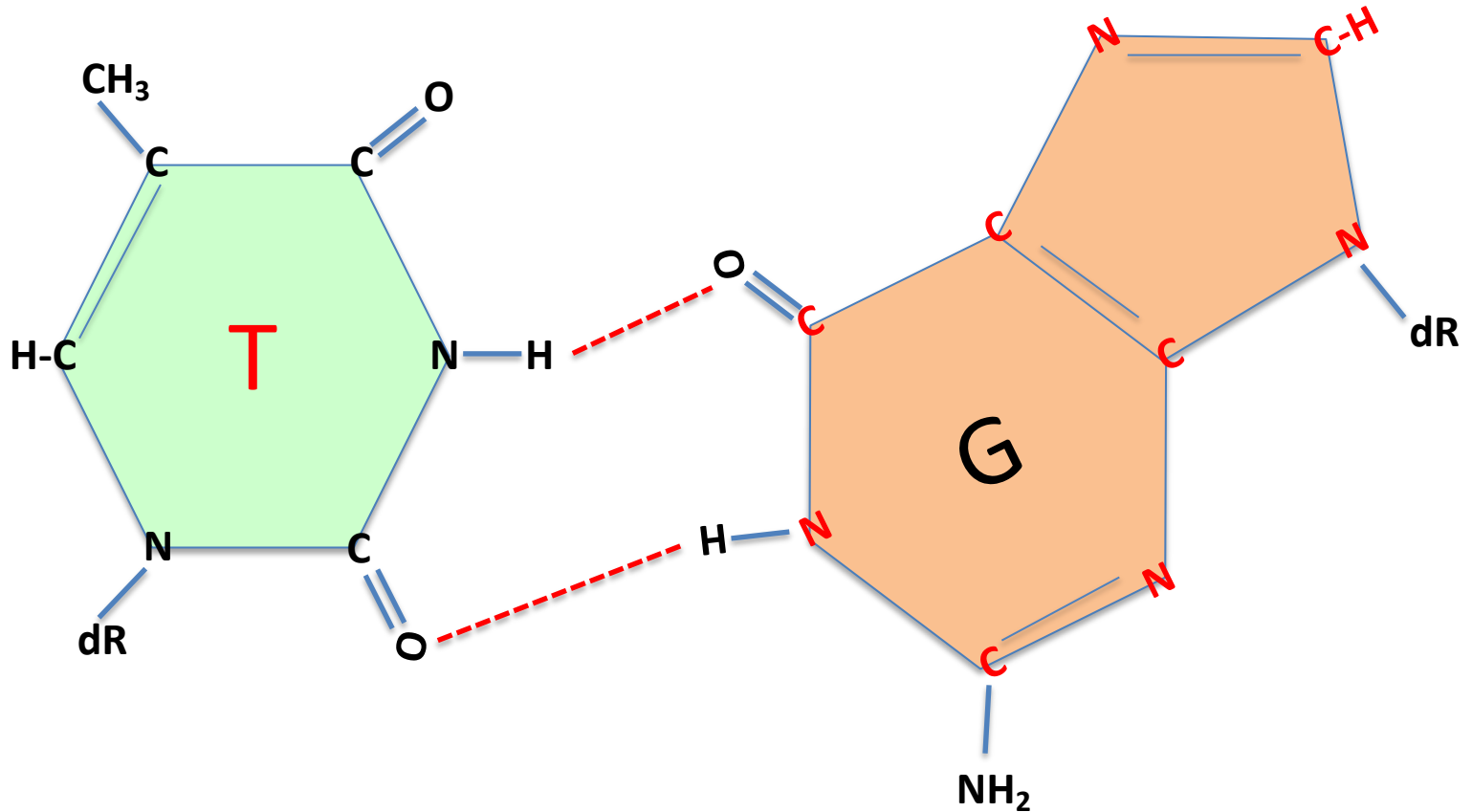
Normal guanine

**Figure 7.7**

**Production of a mutation as a result of a mismatch caused by non-Watson-Crick base pairing.** The details are explained in the text.

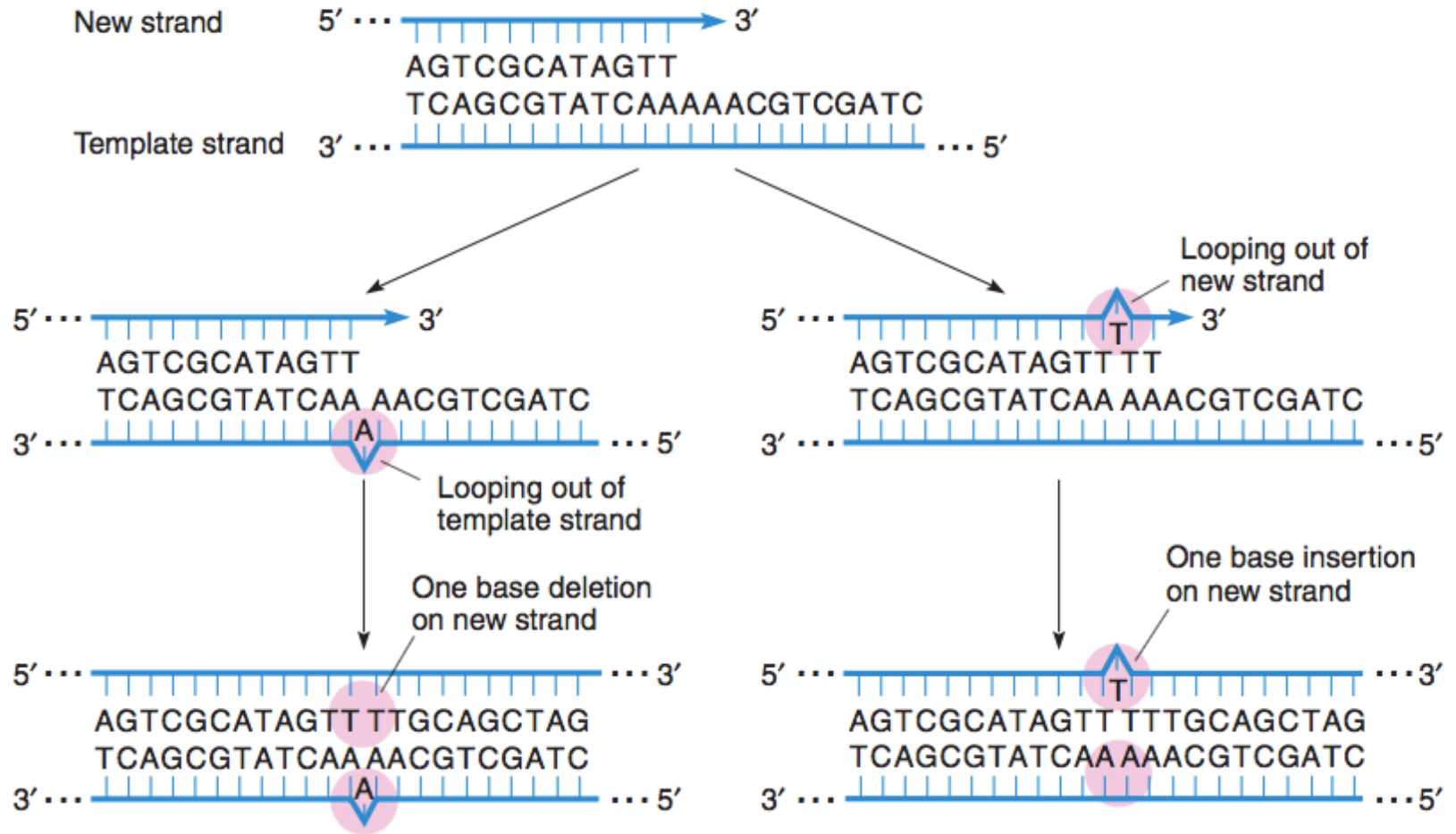


# “Wobble” T-G pairing

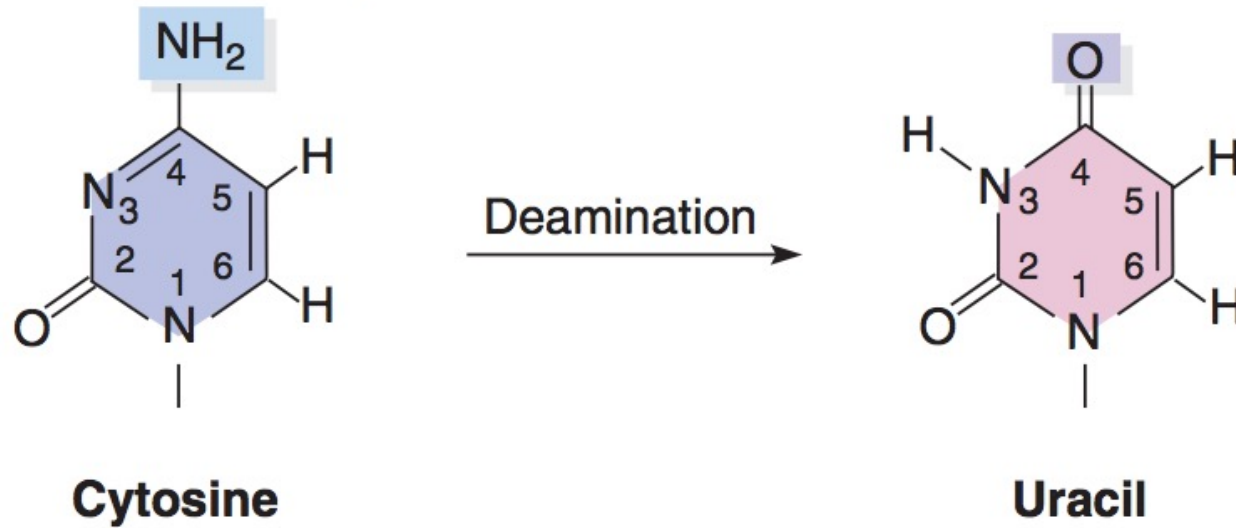


**Figure 7.8**

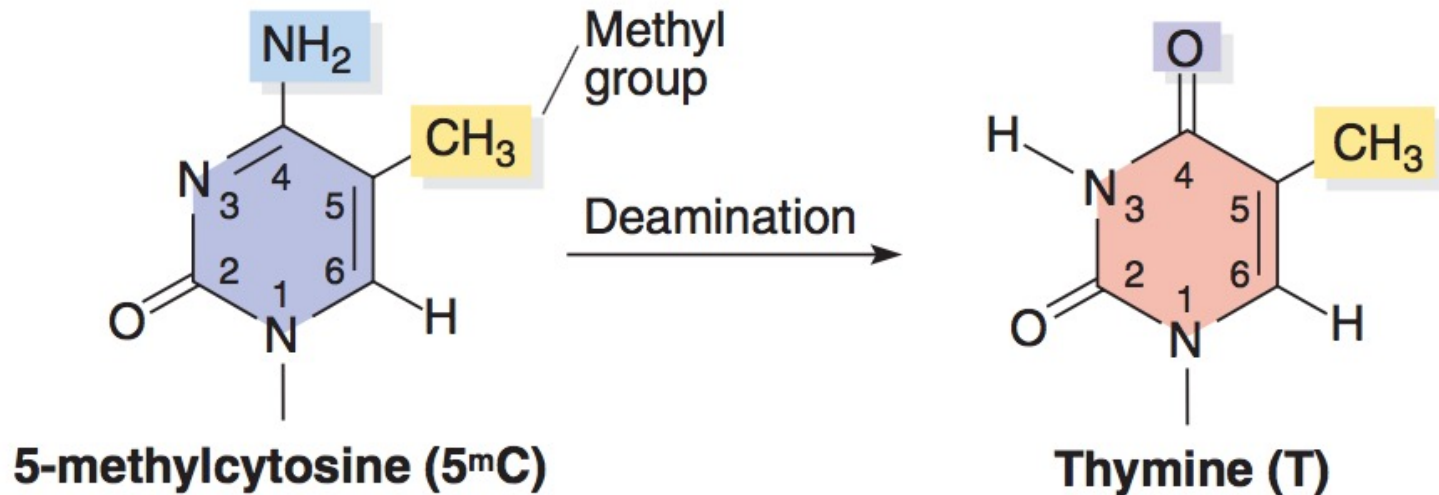
**Spontaneous generation of addition and deletion mutants by DNA looping-out errors during replication.**



### a) Deamination of cytosine to uracil

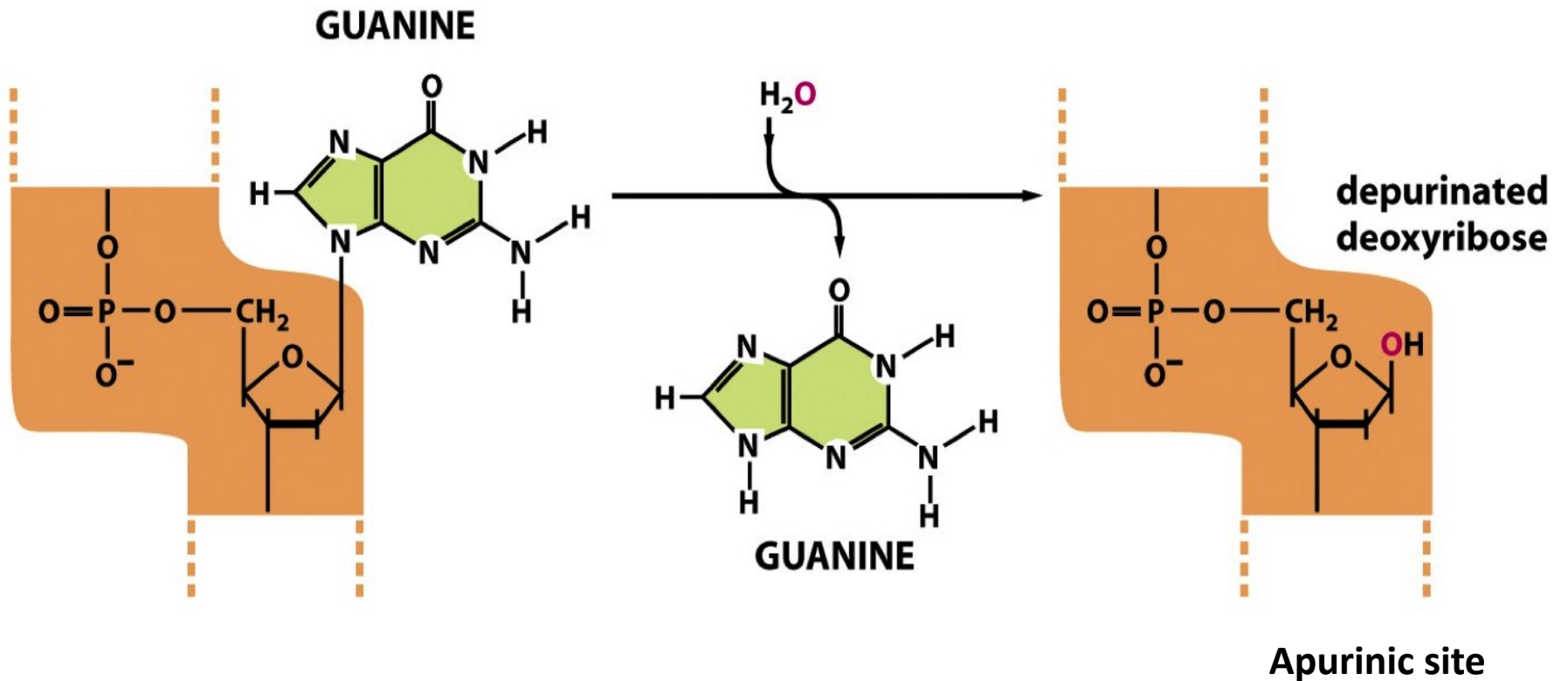


### b) Deamination of 5-methylcytosine (5<sup>m</sup>C) to thymine

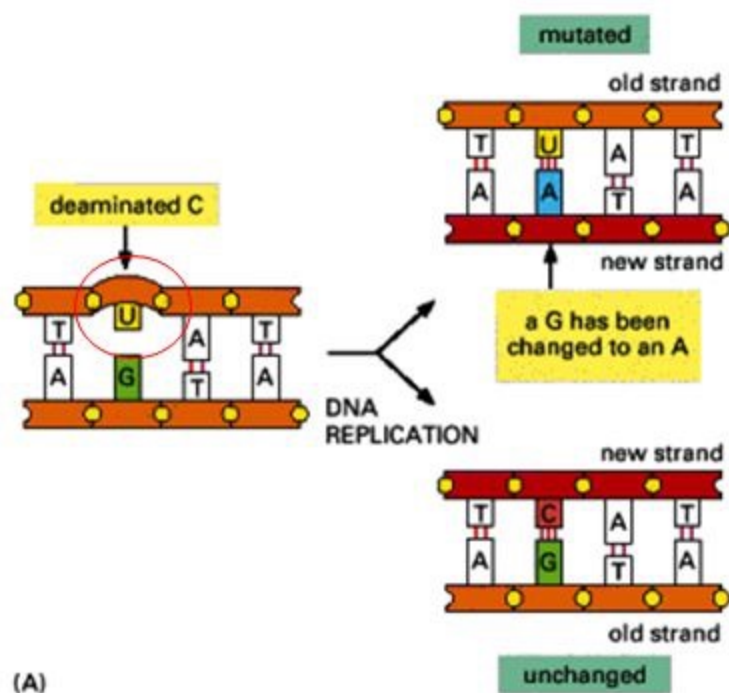




# Depurination



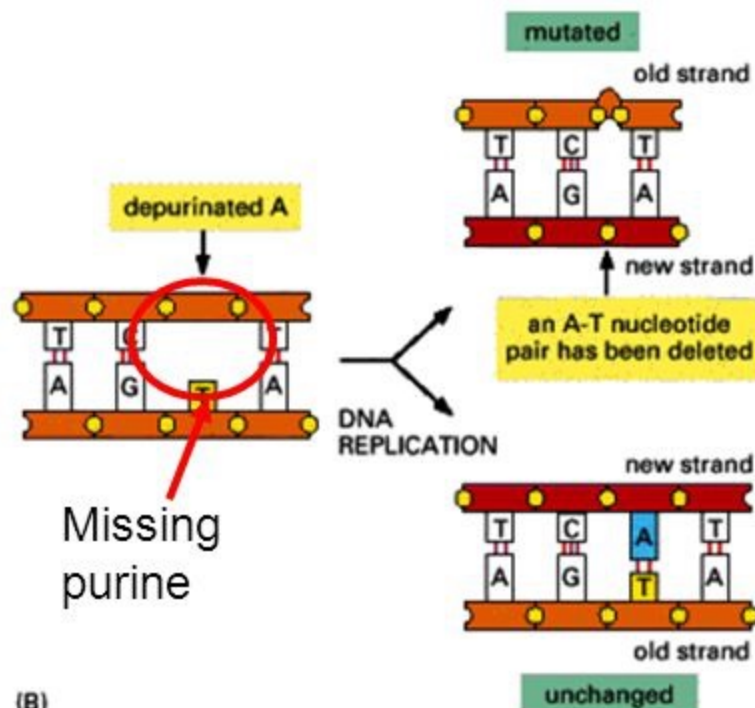
## A. Deamination of cytosine produces uracil



(A)

Results in the substitution of one base for another when the DNA is replicated

## B. Depurination



(B)

If uncorrected, can lead to either the substitution or the loss of a nucleotide pair.

# Induced Mutations

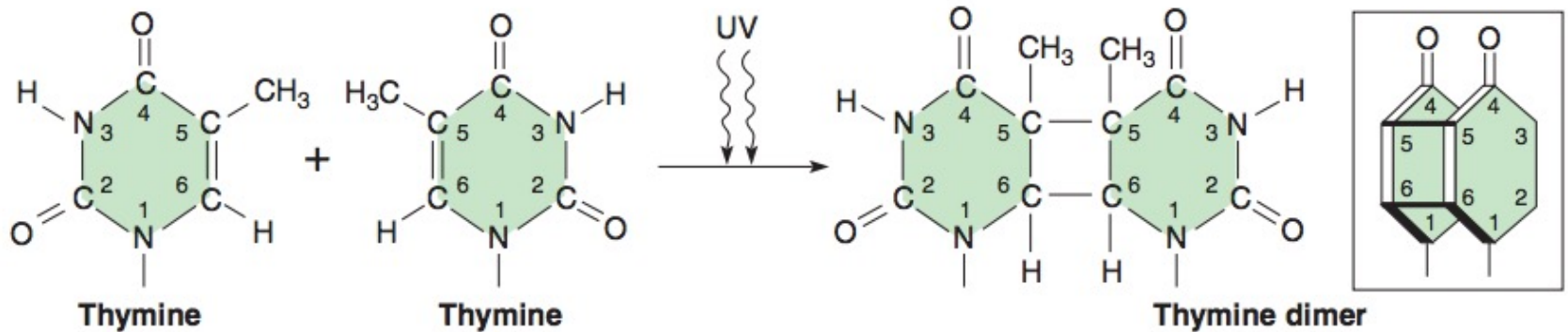
## Mutagens

- Physical : Radiations
- Chemical
- Biological

# UV Radiation

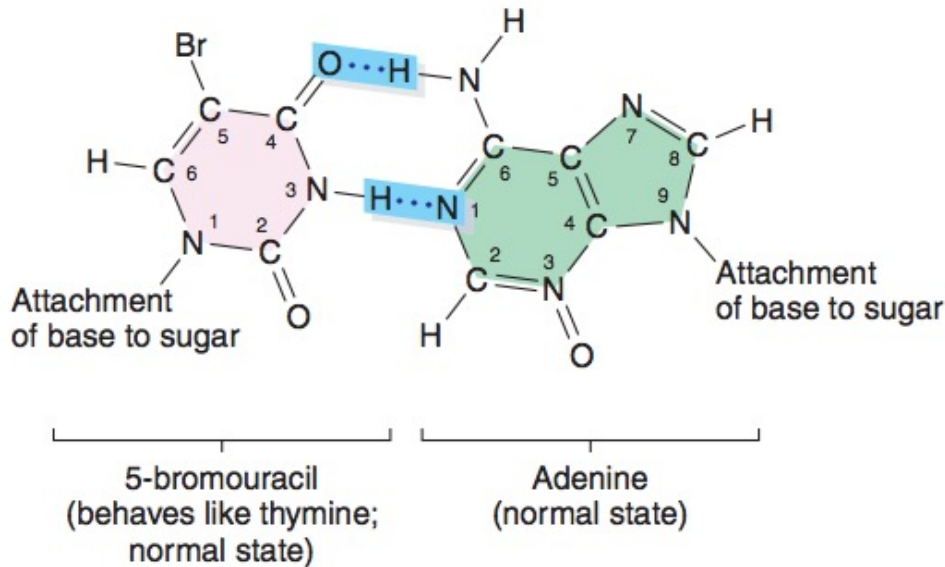
**Figure 7.10**

**Production of thymine dimers by ultraviolet light irradiation.** The two components of the dimer are covalently linked in such a way that the DNA double helix is distorted at that position.

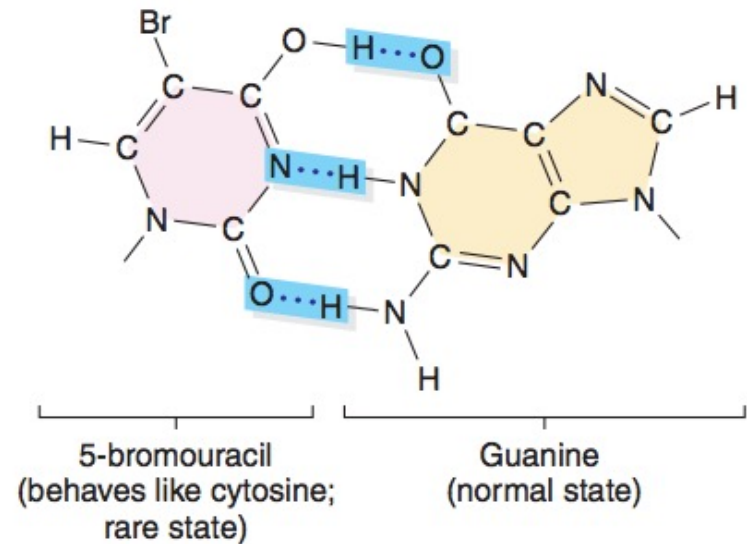


# Base Analogs

a) Base pairing of 5-bromouracil in its normal state



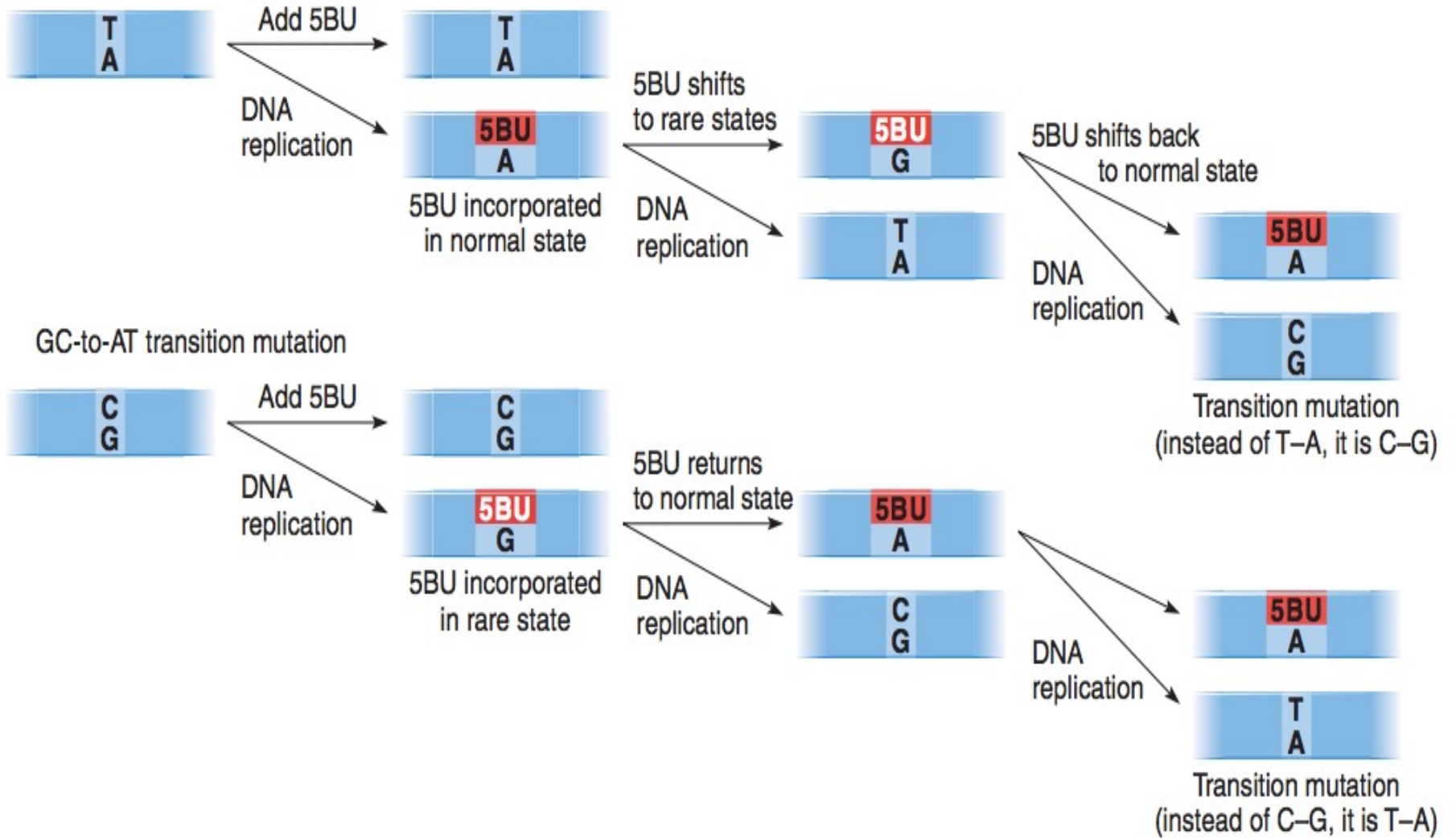
b) Base pairing of 5-bromouracil in its rare state



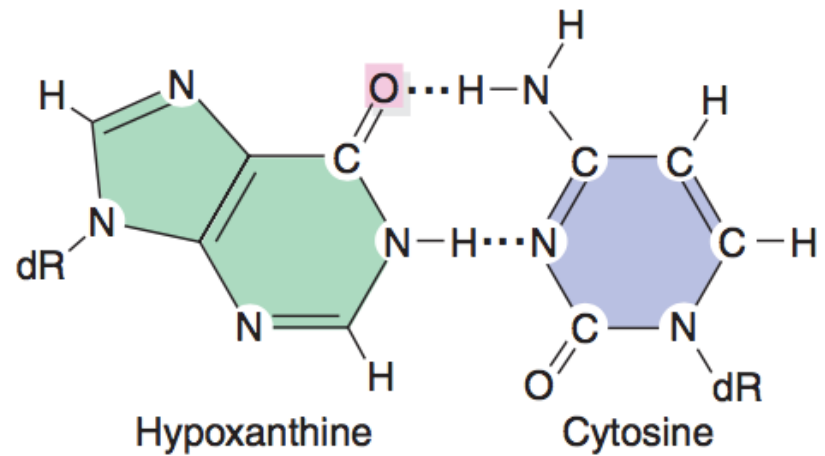
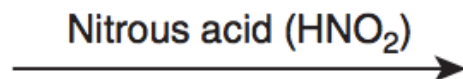
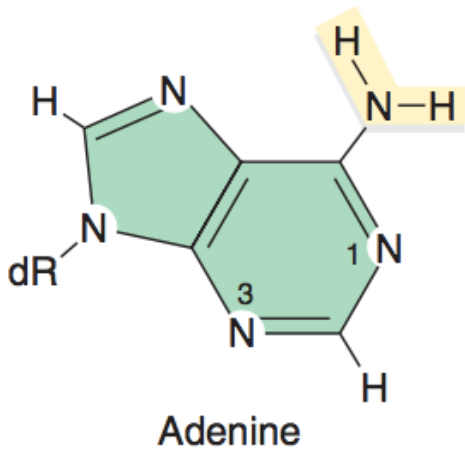
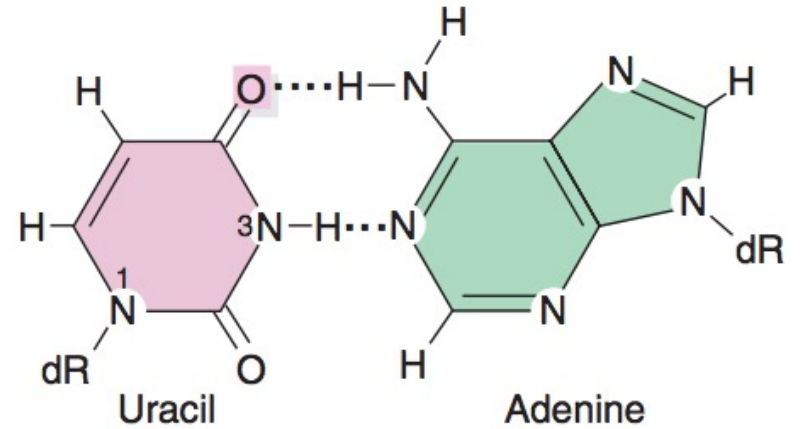
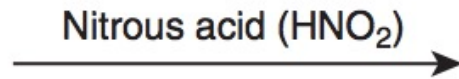
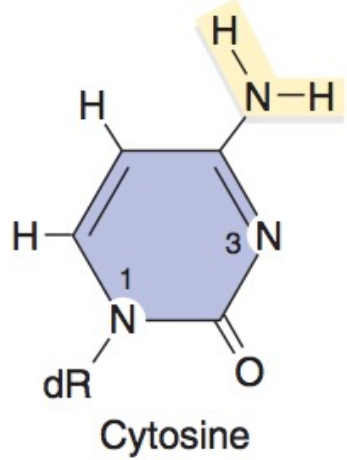


### c) Mutagenic action of 5BU

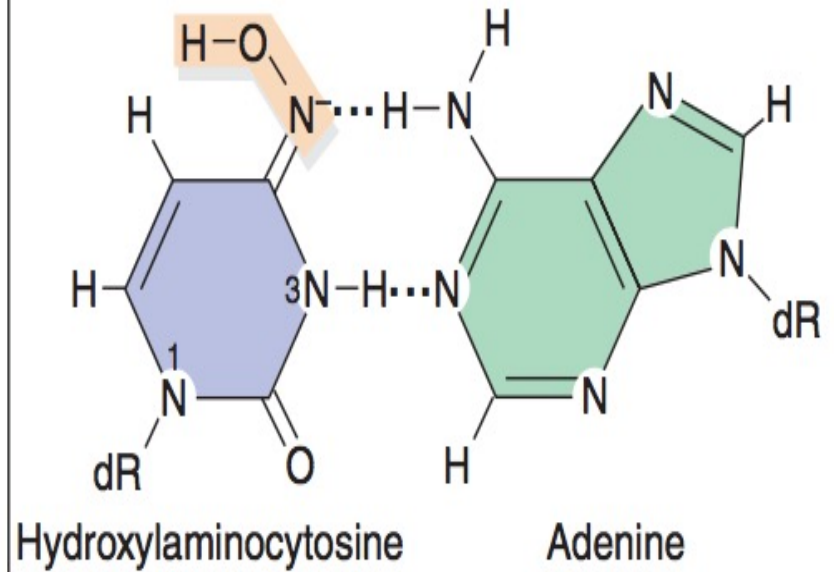
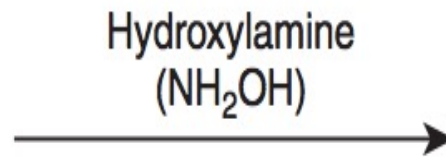
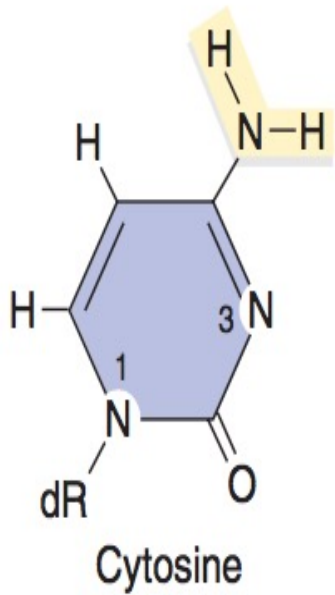
AT-to-GC transition mutation



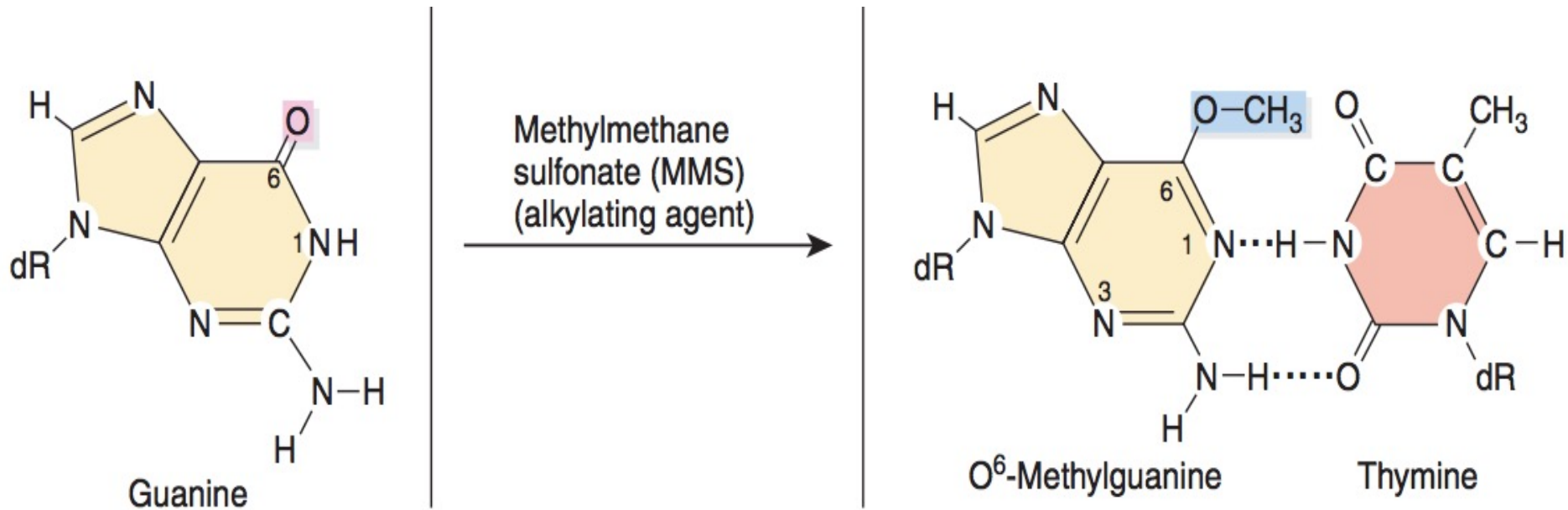




# Hydroxylating Agent

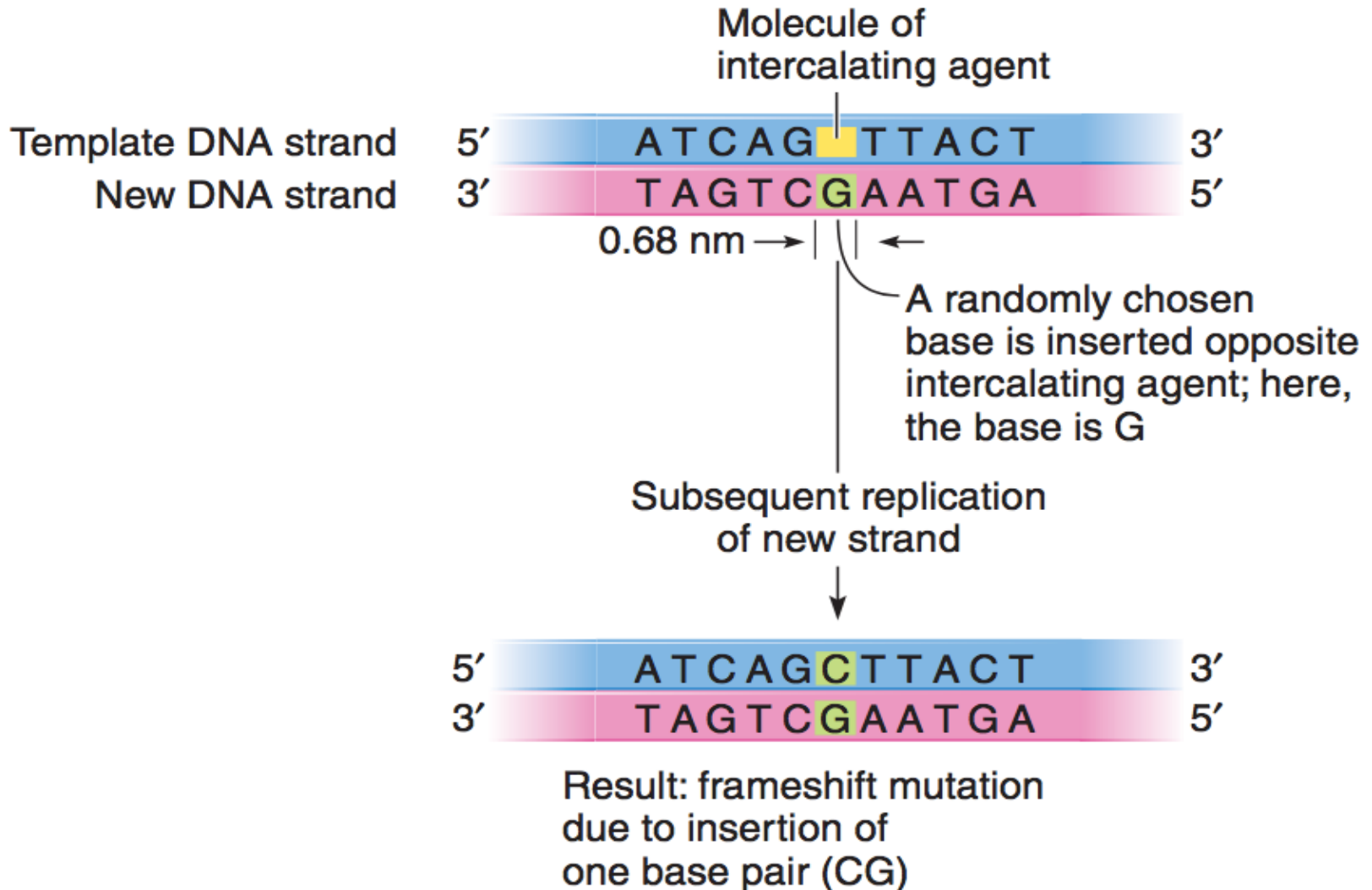


# Alkylating Agent



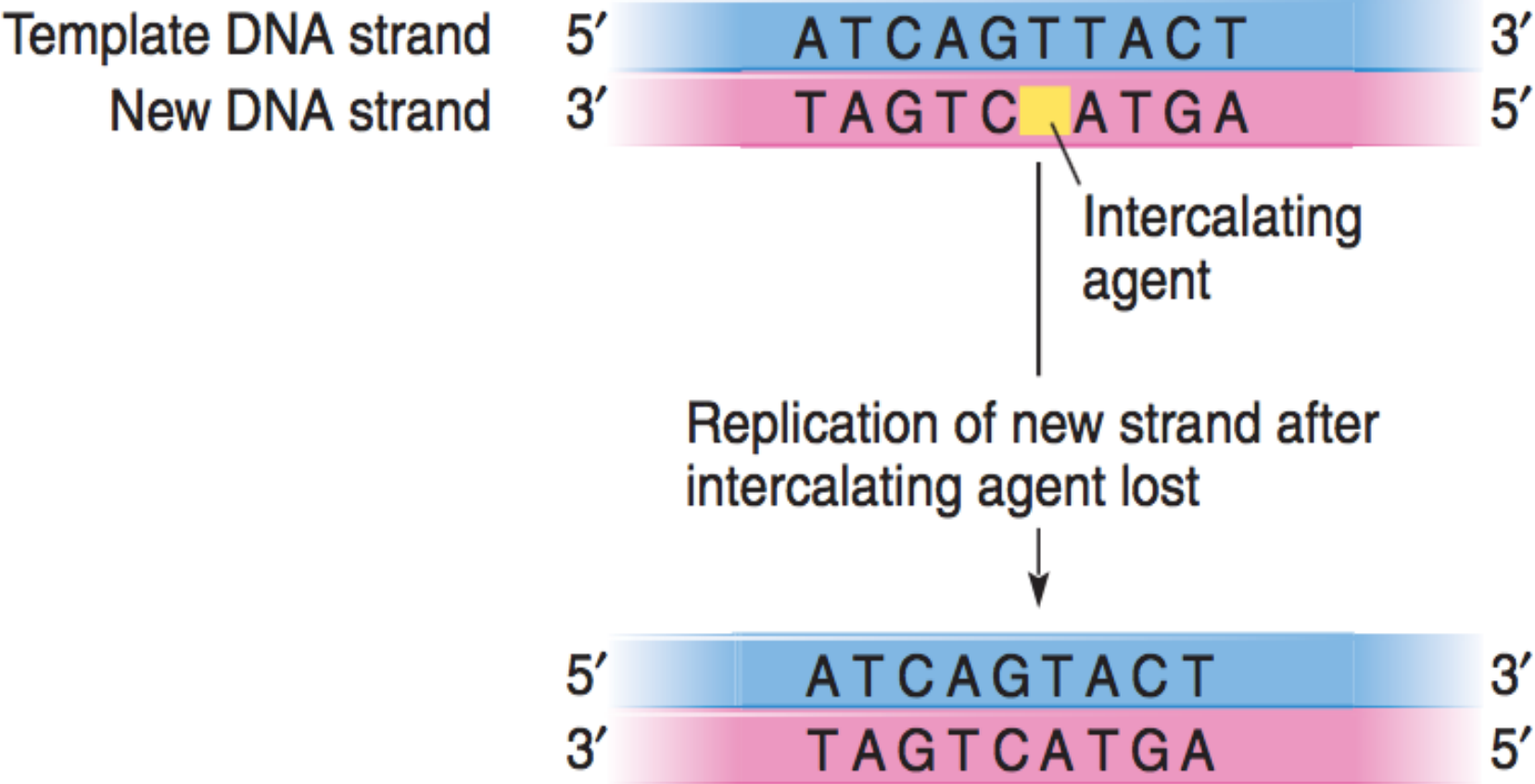
# Intercalating Agent

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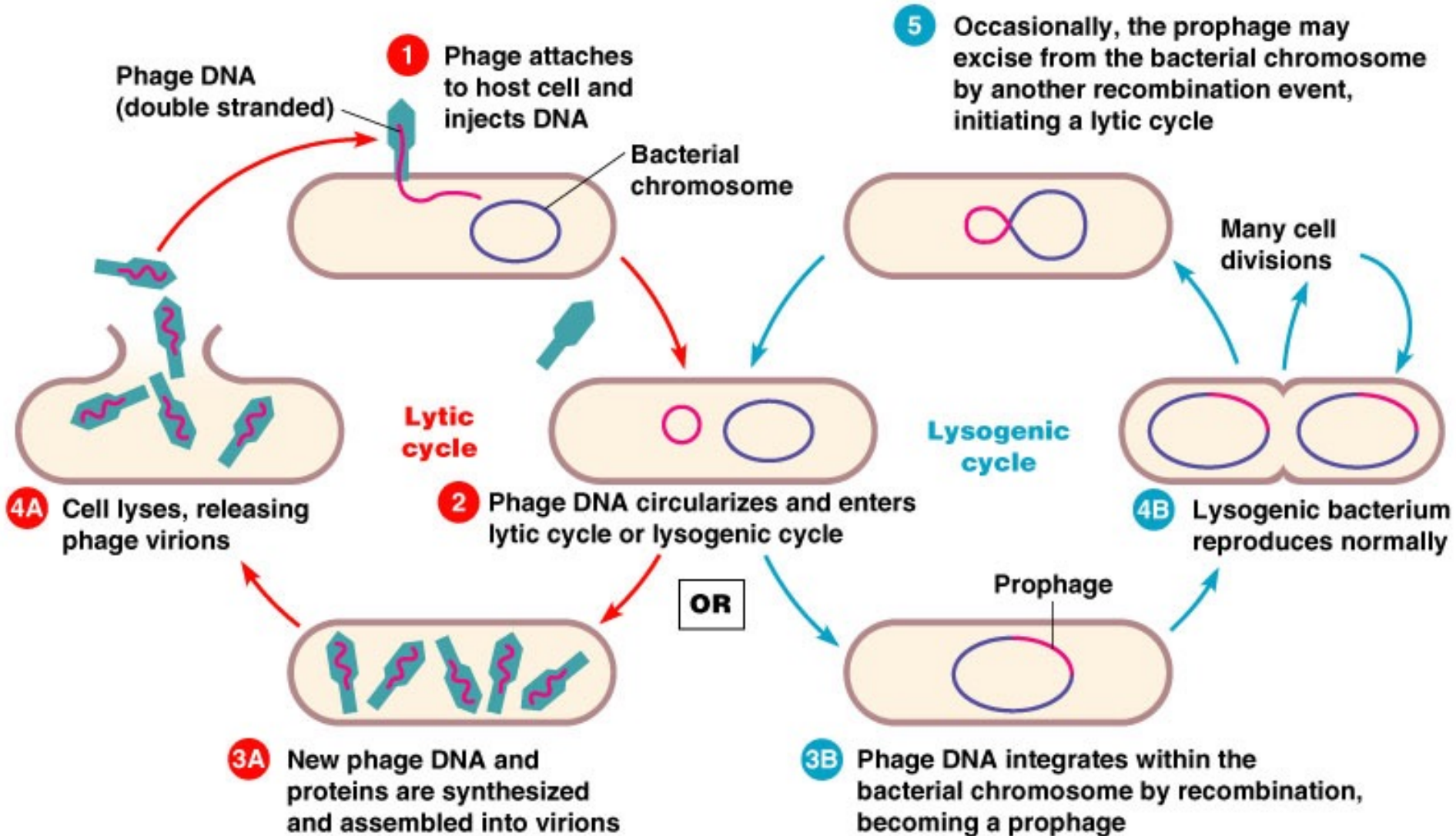




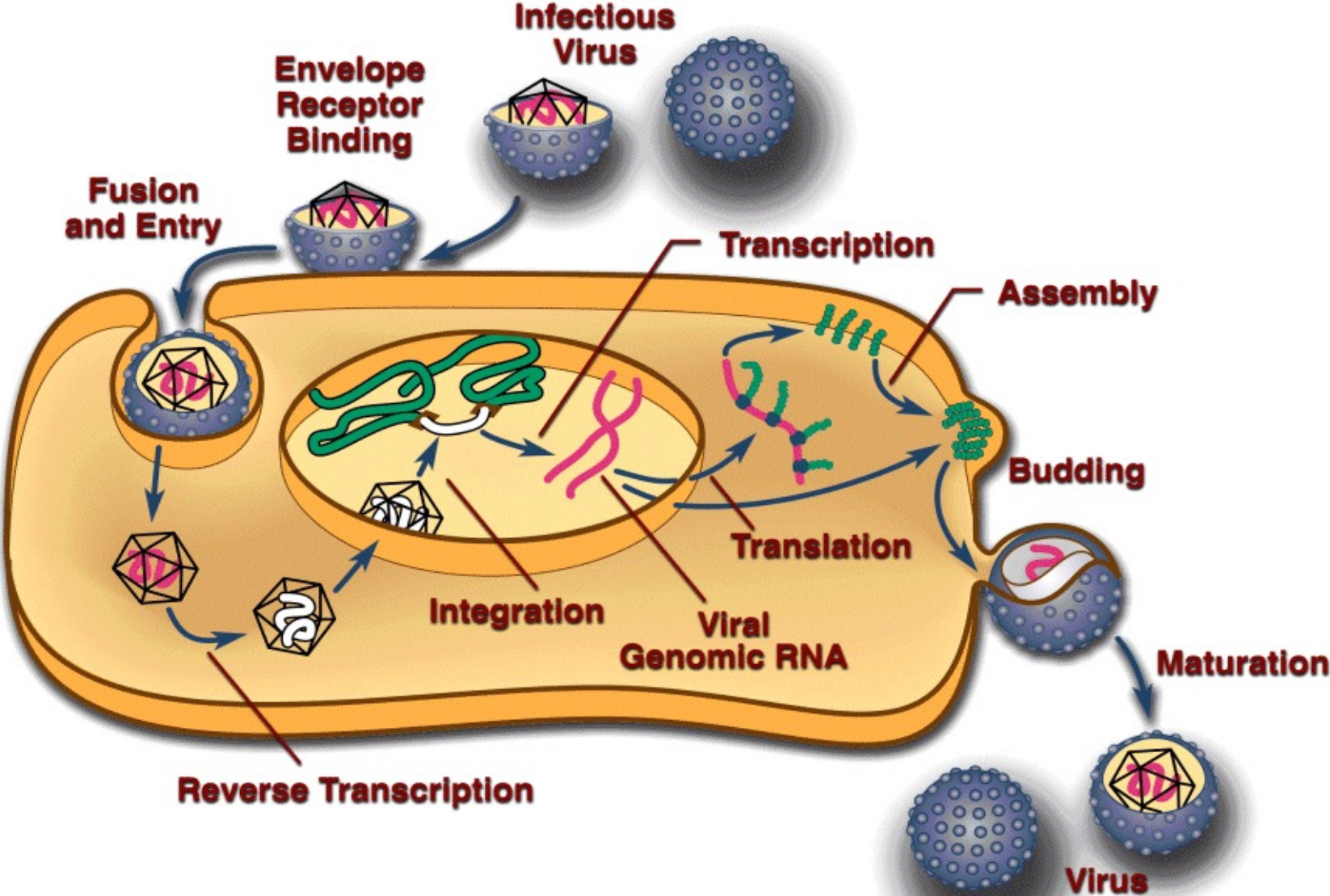
### b) Mutation by deletion



# Biological Agents



# Retrovirus



# Transposon

## DNA vs RNA Transposons

■ Genomic DNA      ■ Transposon

DNA Transposons



RNA Transposons



