

## Ökophysiologie und Genetik von Mikroorganismen

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### **Major Modes of Regulation**

#### **1. REGULATION OF ENZYME ACTIVITY**

##### **a) Noncovalent Enzyme Inhibition**

Feedback Inhibition, Isoenzymes

##### **b) Covalent Modification of Enzymes**

Adenylation

#### **2. REGULATION OF TRANSCRIPTION BY NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE CONTROL**

##### **a) Structure of DNA-Binding Proteins**

Helix-turn-helix, Leucin-Zipper, Zn-finger

##### **b) Negative Control of Transcription: Repression and Induction**

Example: ara and lac operon

##### **c) Positive Control of Transcription**

Example Maltose Catabolism in *Escherichia coli*

**3. GLOBAL REGULATORY MECHANISMS**

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- b) **Anti-sense RNA**
- c) **Riboswitches**
- d) **Quorum sensing**

**REGULATION OF ENZYME  
ACTIVITY**

Enzyme inhibition by an allosteric effector

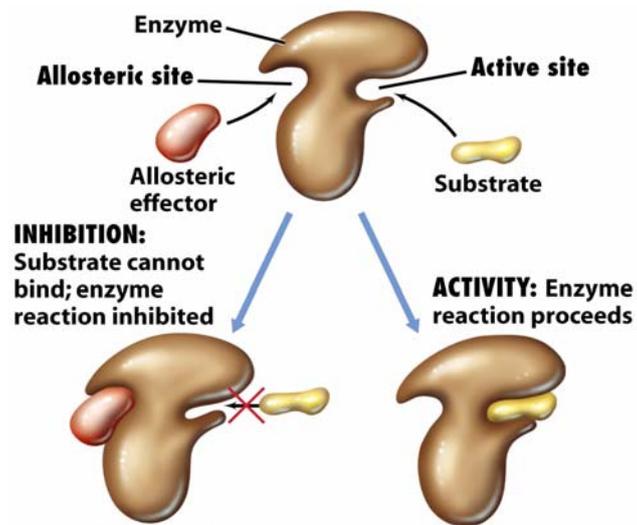


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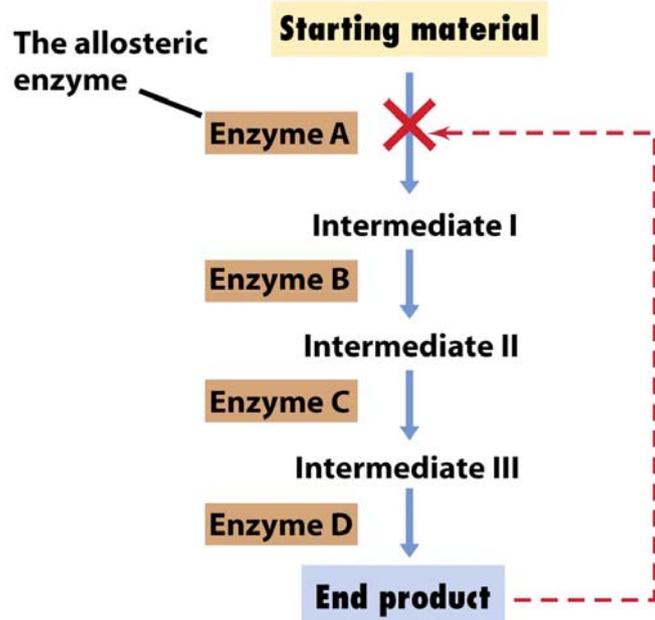
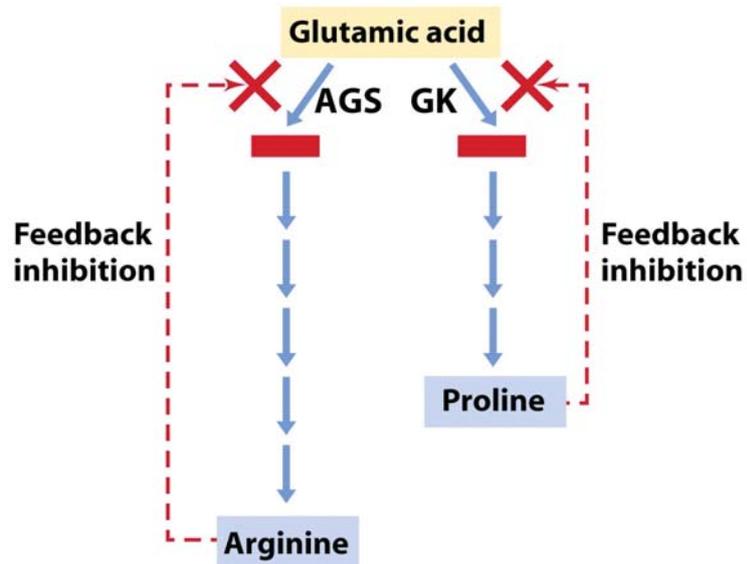
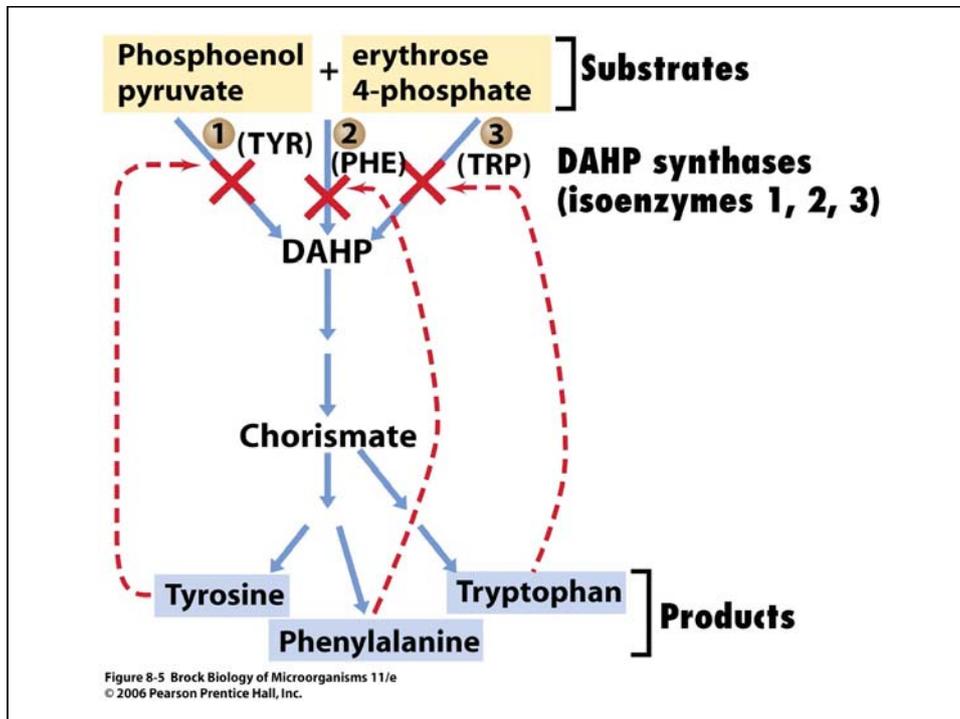


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Allosteric Feedback inhibition in a branched biosynthetic pathway of amino acids

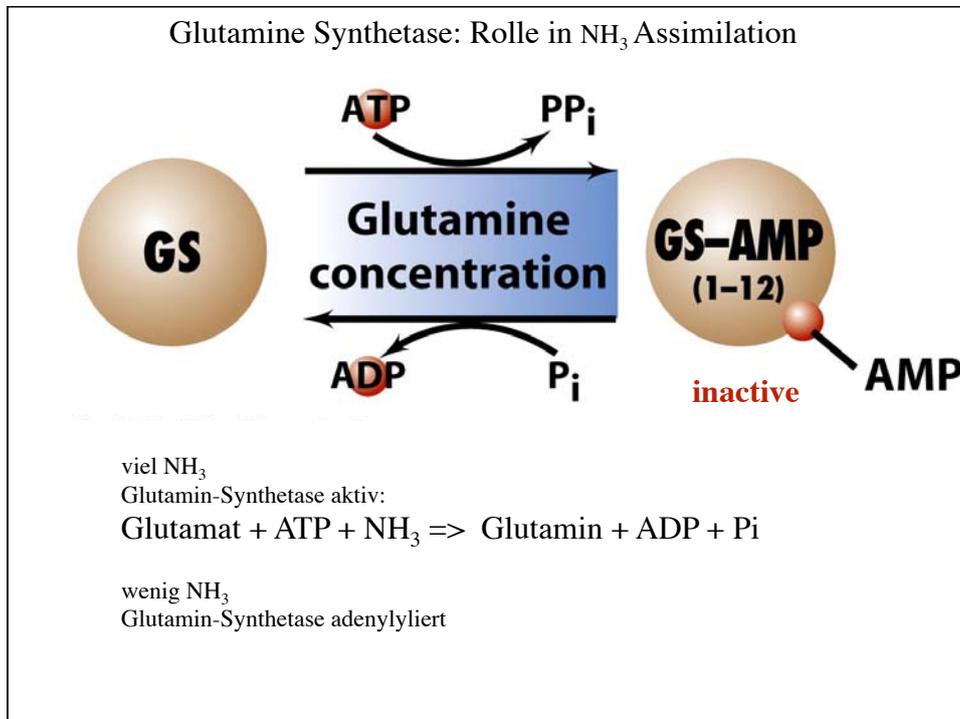


## Isoenzymes



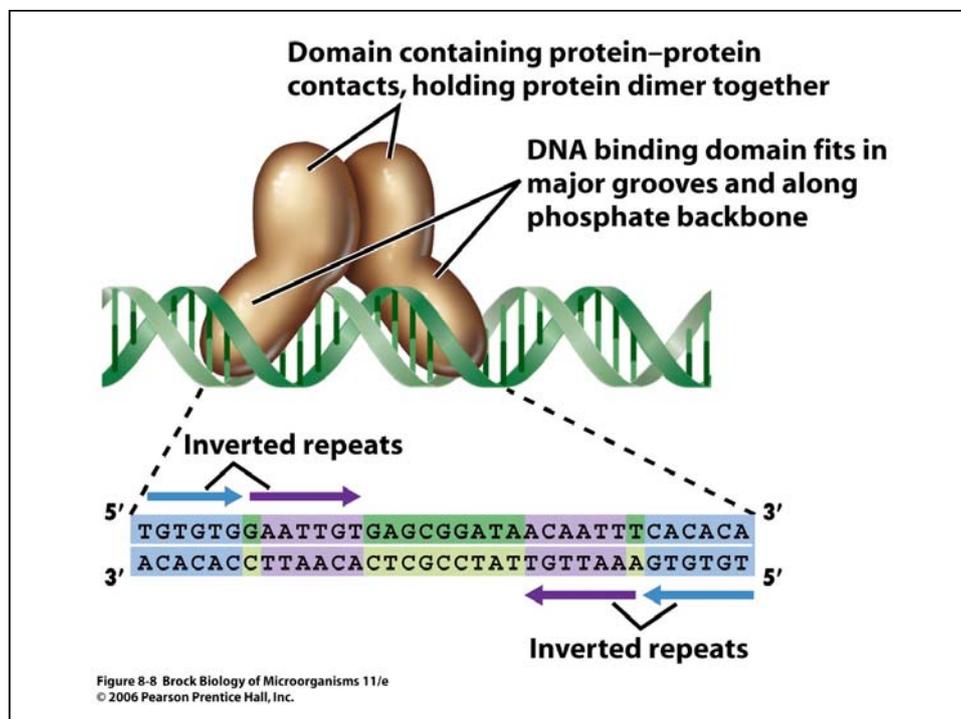
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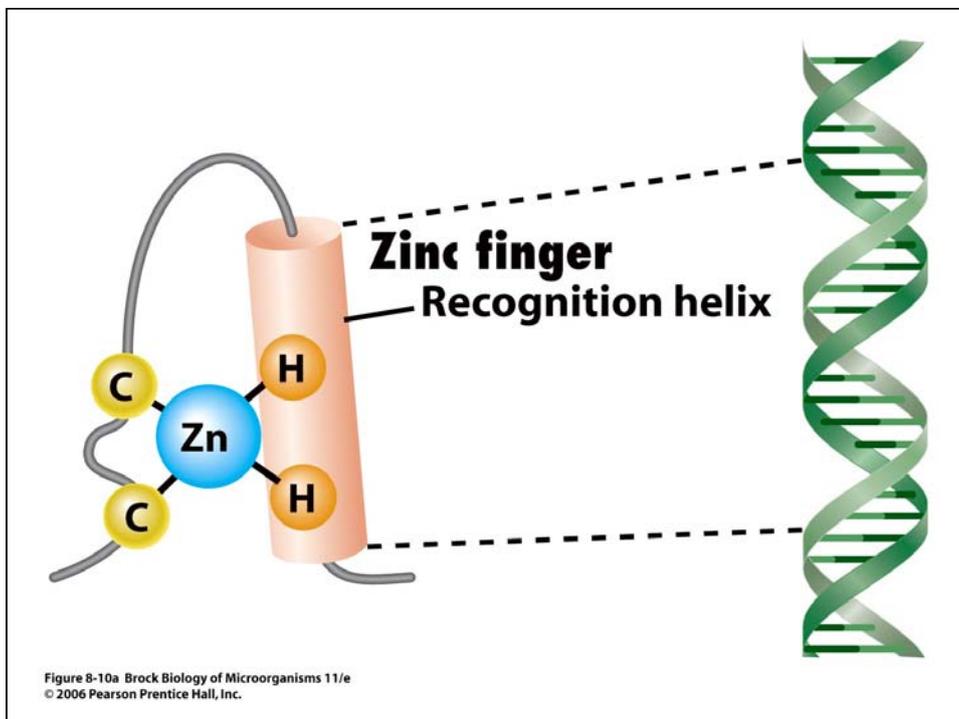
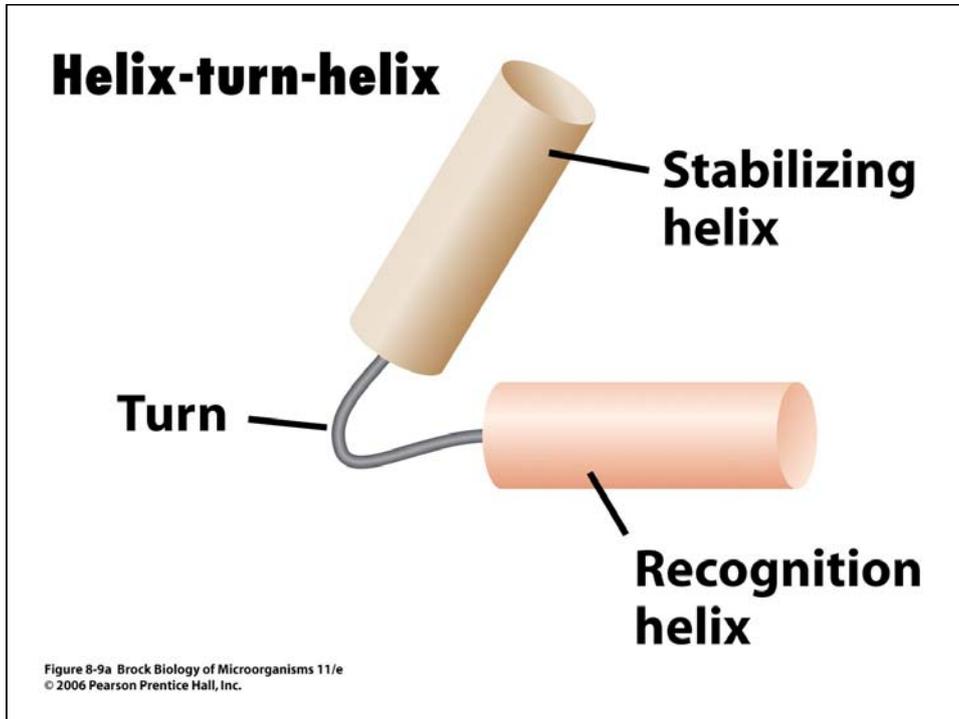
Example Glutamine Synthetase and Adenylylation

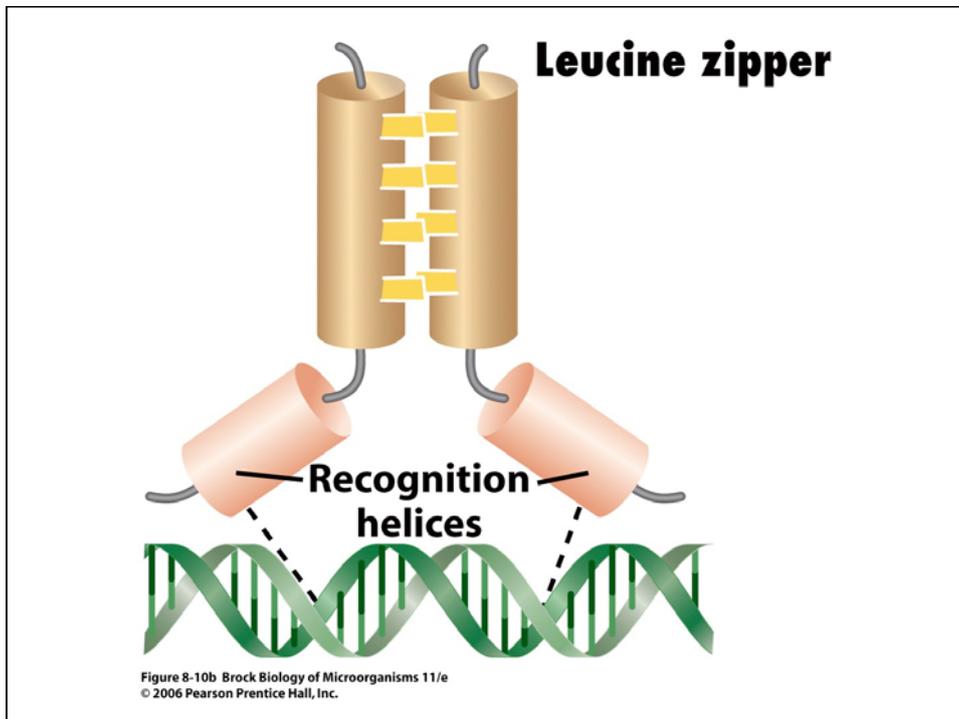


Covalent modification is a regulatory mechanism for changing the activity of an enzyme. Enzymes regulated in this way can be reversibly modified. One type of modification is adenylation (the addition of AMP).

# DNA-BINDING PROTEINS AND REGULATION OF TRANSCRIPTION BY NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE CONTROL

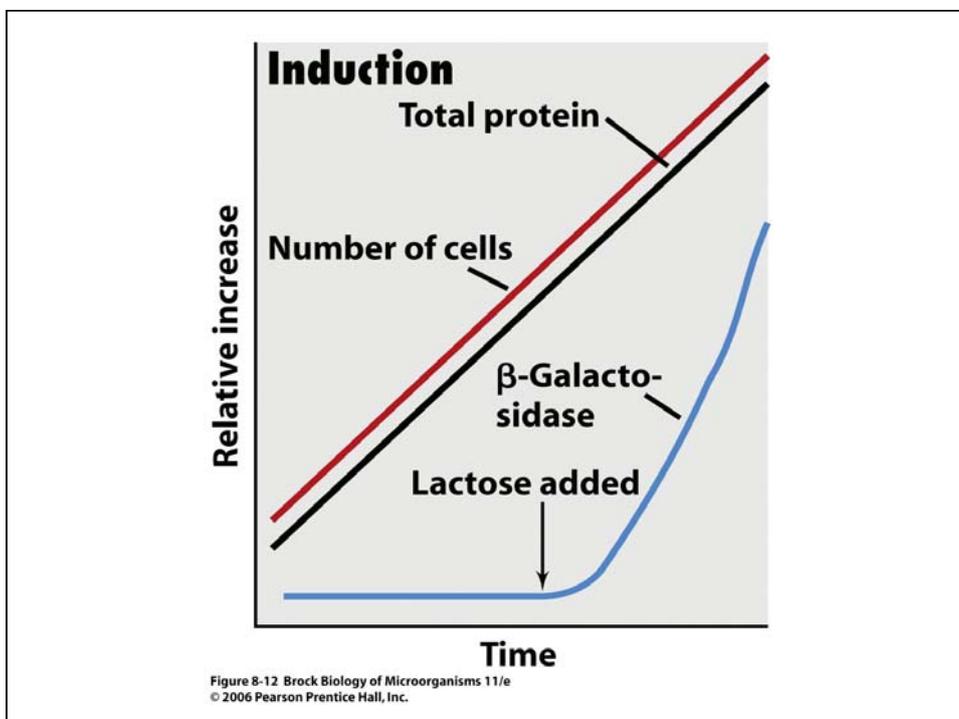
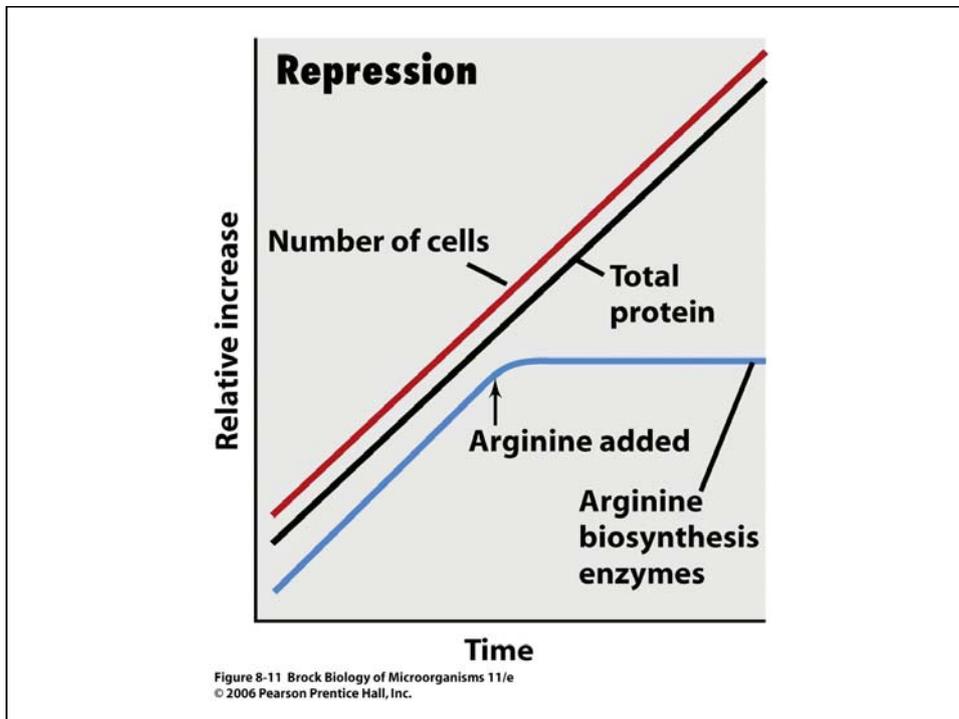




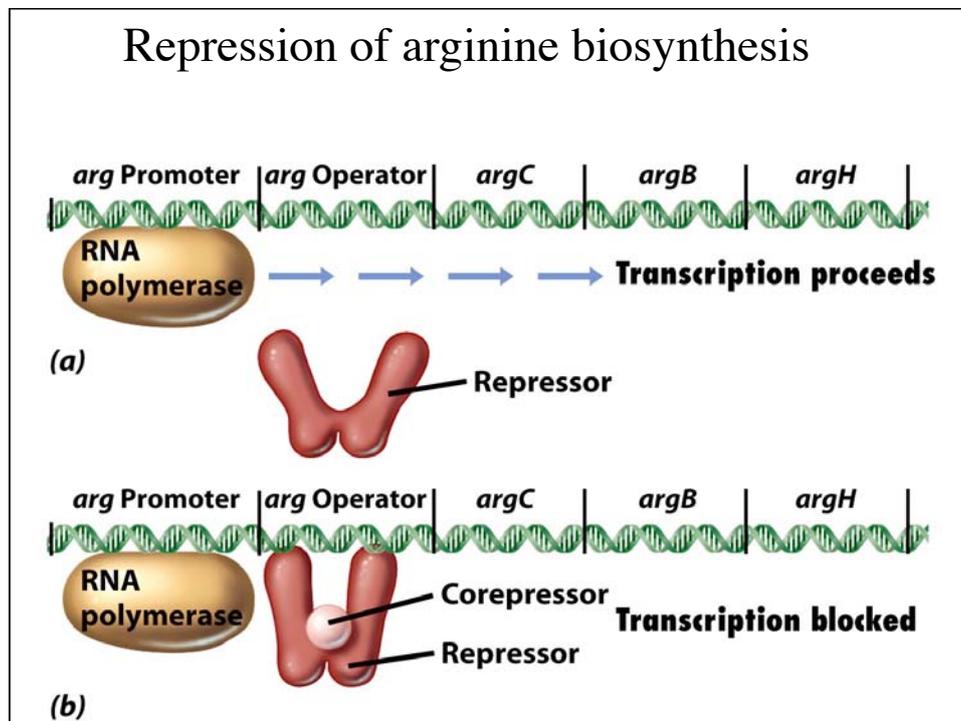


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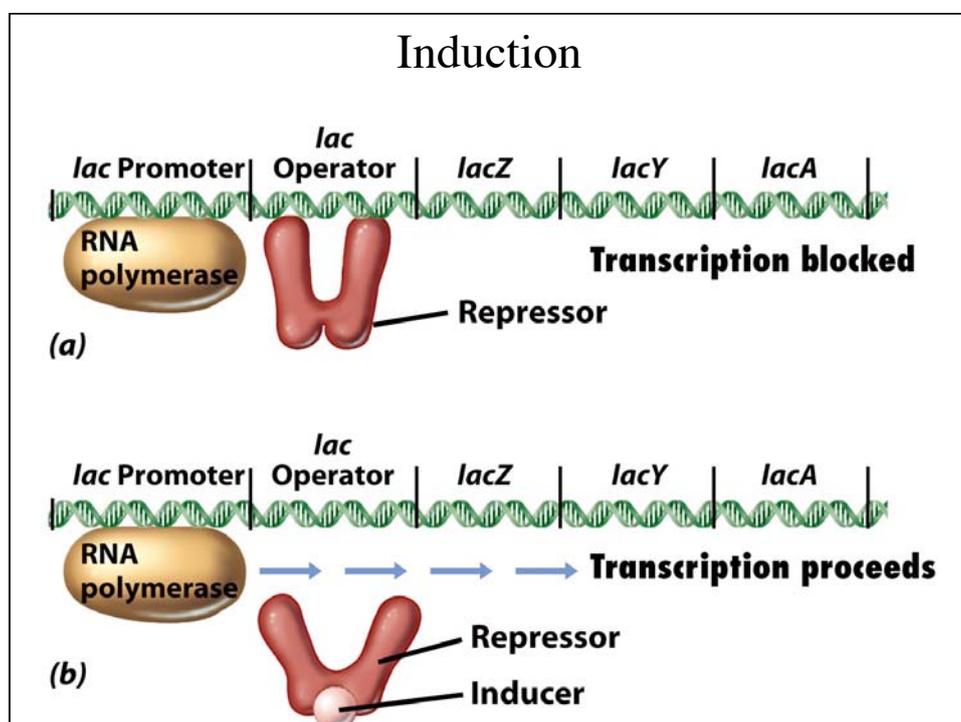
Enzyme Repression  
and Induction



## Repression of arginine biosynthesis



## Induction



The amount of an enzyme in the cell can be controlled by increasing (induction) or decreasing (repression) the amount of mRNA that encodes the enzyme. This transcriptional regulation involves **allosteric** regulatory proteins **that bind to DNA**.

For **negative** control of transcription, the regulatory protein is called a repressor and it functions by inhibiting mRNA synthesis.

## Positive Control of Transcription

## Maltose Catabolism in *Escherichia coli*

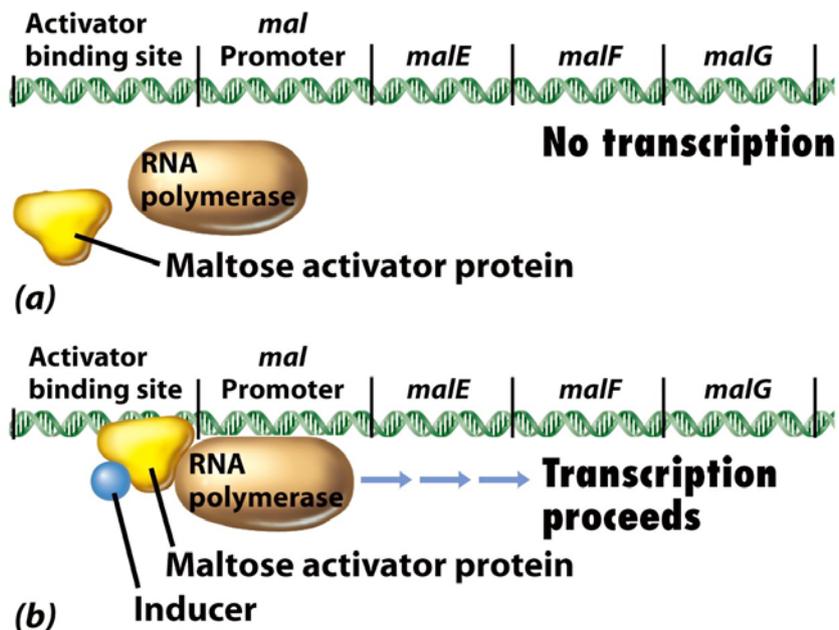
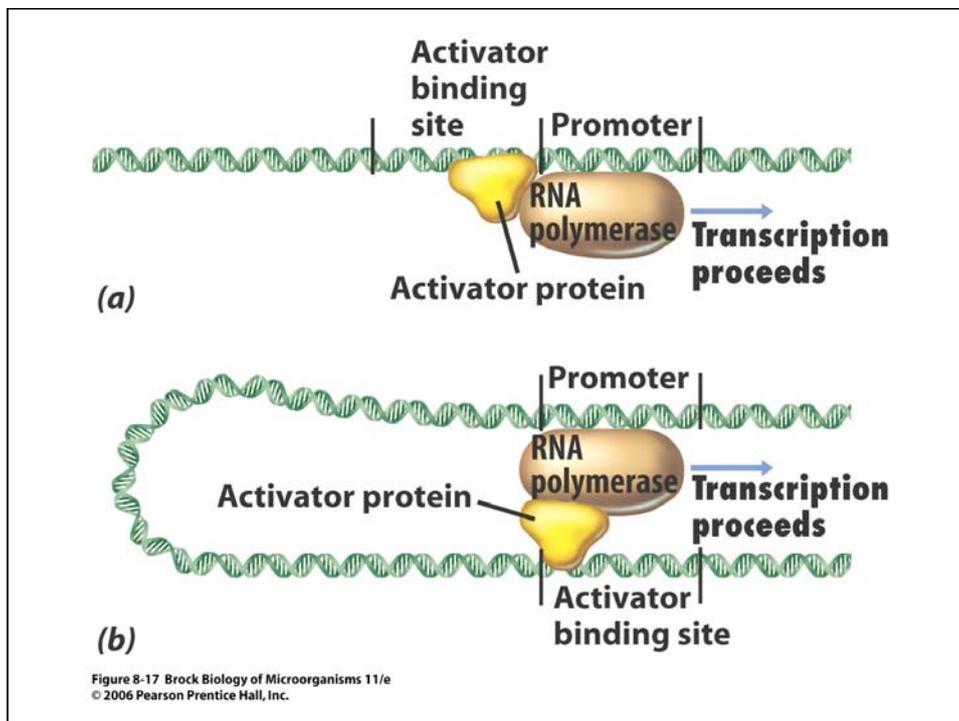


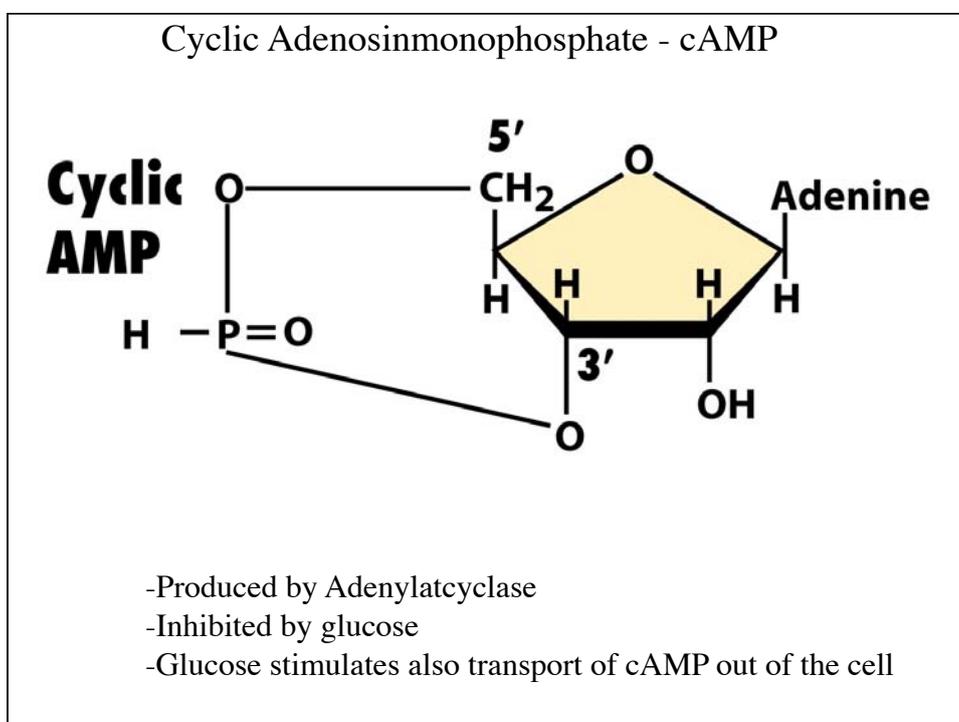
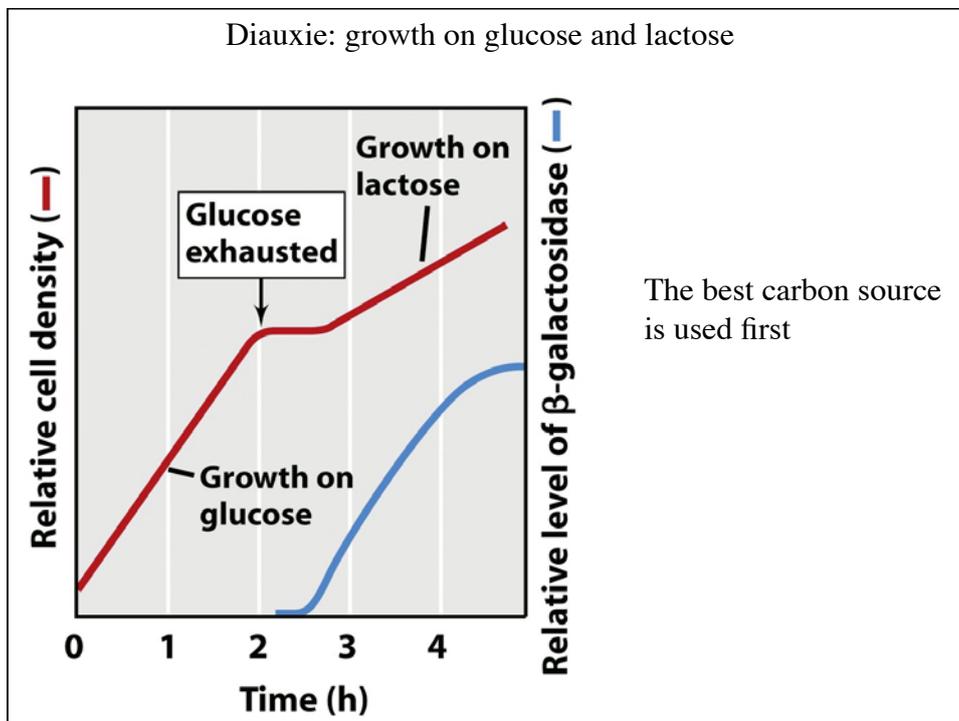
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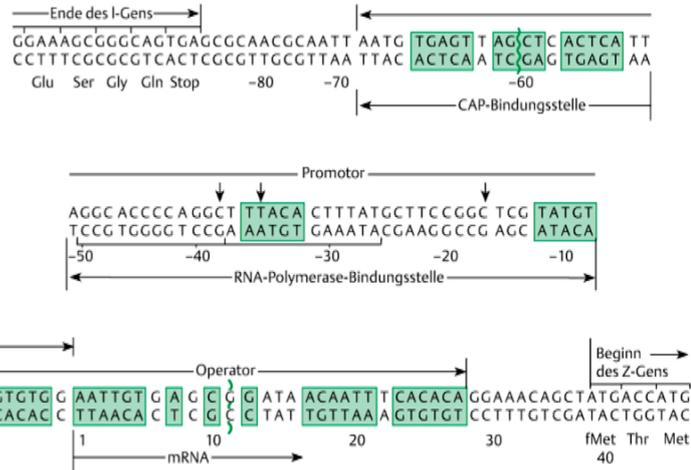
Positive regulators of transcription are called activator proteins. They bind to activator-binding sites on the DNA and stimulate transcription. As in repressors, activator protein activity is modified by effectors. For positive control of enzyme induction, the effector promotes the binding of the activator protein and thus stimulates transcription.

# GLOBAL REGULATORY MECHANISMS

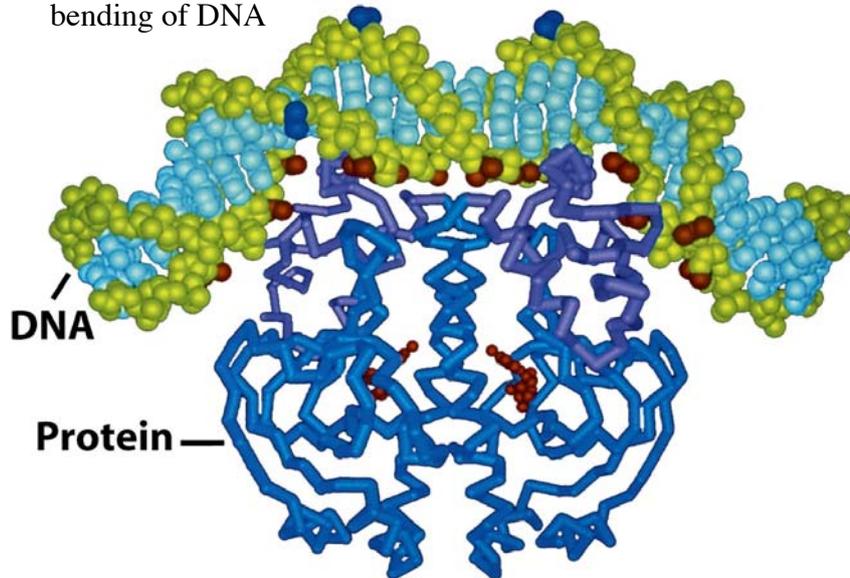
## Catabolite Repression



### Kontrollelemente des Lac Operons



cAMP binding protein (catabolite activator protein) CAP;  
bending of DNA



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An allosteric protein

Das *lacZ* operon ist positiv und negativ reguliert!  
 CAP: positive Kontrolle  
 lacRepressor: negative Kontrolle

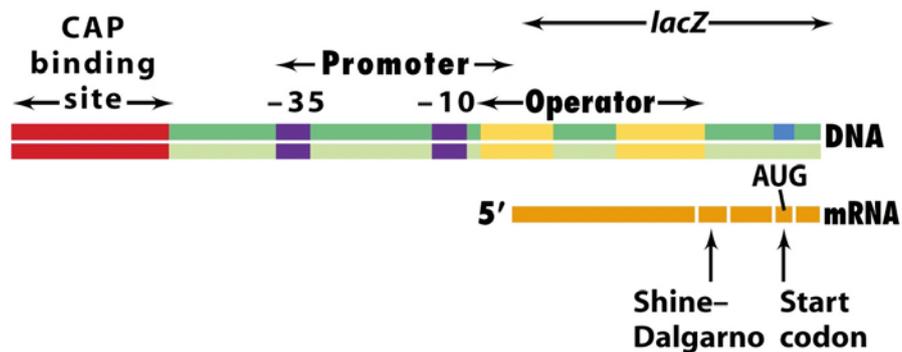


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Global control systems regulate the expression of many genes simultaneously. Catabolite repression is a global control system, and it helps cells make the most efficient use of carbon sources. The *lac* operon is under the control of catabolite repression as well as its own specific negative regulatory system.

## Another global control: The Stringent Response

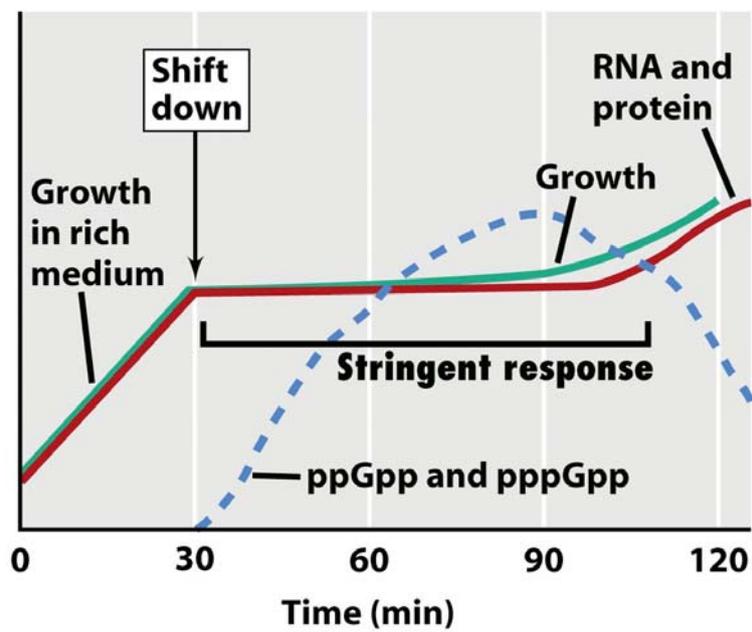


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## Recognition on the level of translation

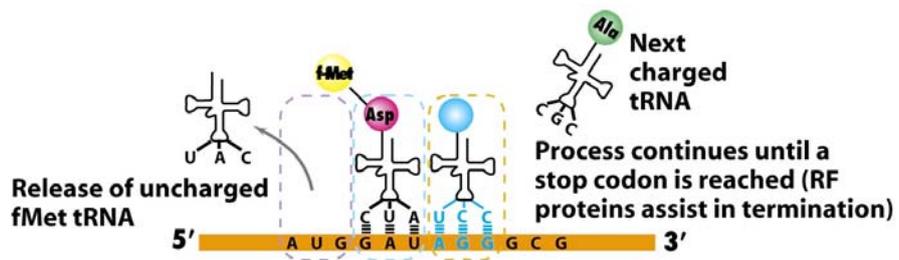
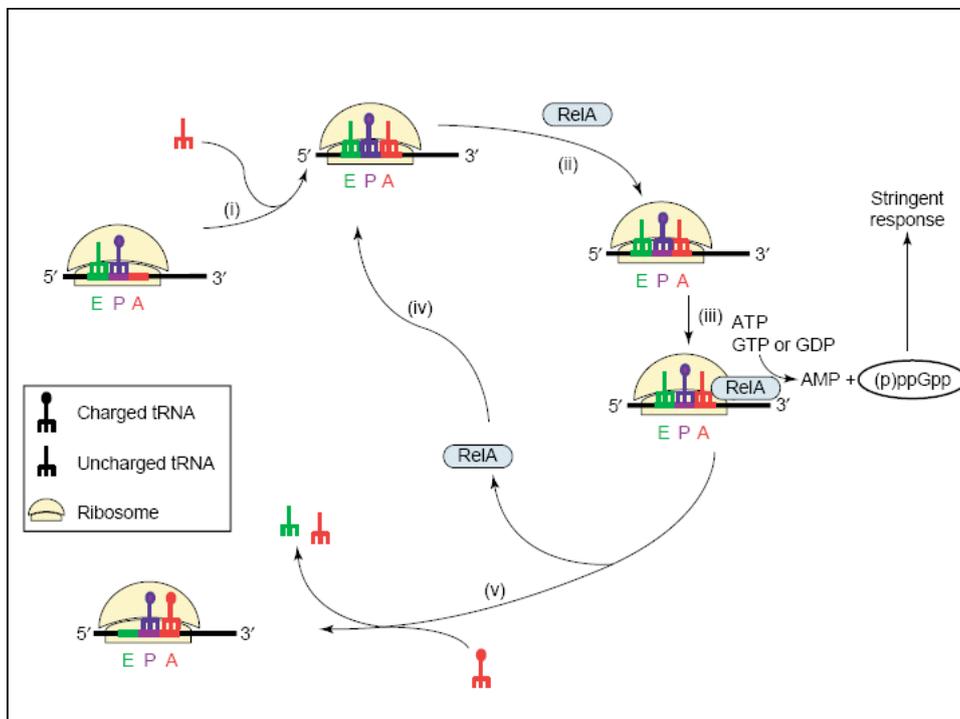
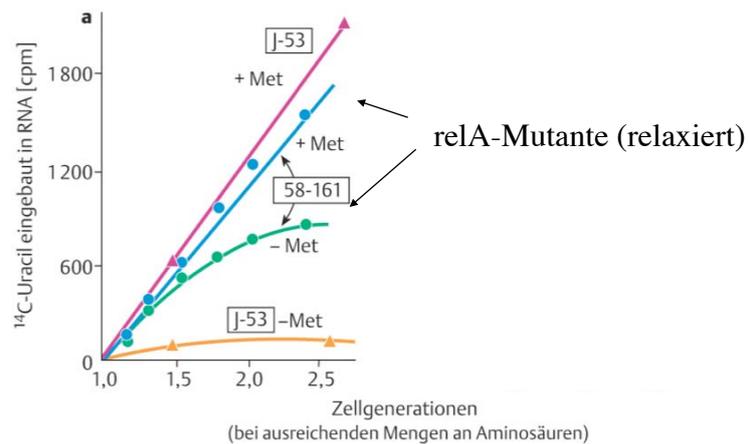


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Stringente und relaxierte Kontrolle  
 Versuch mit einem Methionin-auxotrophen Stamm



The stringent response is a global control mechanism triggered by amino acid starvation. The alarmones ppGpp and pppGpp (hyperphosphorylated nucleotides) are produced by RelA, a protein that monitors ribosome activity. The stringent response achieves balance within the cell between protein production and protein requirements. It is also employed to adjust to stress conditions and establishing symbiosis.

## Other Global Control Networks

### Regulation durch unterschiedliche Sigma-Faktoren

Konsensus-Sequenzen

	-35-Region	-10-Region	
Standard-Promotor:	TCTTGAC –16–18 bp	–TATAAT	Sigma 70 Sigma 32
Hitzeschock-Promotor:	CCTTGAA –13–15 bp	–CCCCAT	

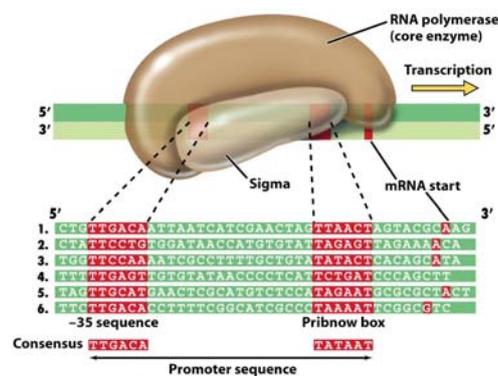


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## Alternative Sigma Factors

**Table 8.2** Sigma factors in *Escherichia coli*

Name <sup>a</sup>	Upstream (-35) Consensus Recognition Sequence <sup>b</sup>	Function
$\sigma^{70}$	TTGACA	For most genes, major sigma factor during normal growth
$\sigma^{54}$	TTGGCACA	Nitrogen assimilation
$\sigma^{38}$	CCGGCG	Major sigma factor during stationary phase, also for genes involved in oxidative and osmotic responses
$\sigma^{32}$	TNTCNCCTTGAA <sup>c</sup>	Heat shock response
$\sigma^{28}$	TAAA	For genes involved in flagella synthesis
$\sigma^{24}$	GAACIT	Response to misfolded proteins in periplasm
$\sigma^{19}$	AAGGAAAAT	For certain genes in iron transport

<sup>a</sup> Superscript number in name indicates size of protein in kilodaltons. Most factors also have other names, i.e.,  $\sigma^{70}$  is also sometimes called  $\sigma^D$ .

<sup>b</sup> For a discussion of consensus sequences, see Sections 7.10 and 7.11 and Figure 7.30.

<sup>c</sup> N, any nucleotide.

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Cells can control several regulons by employing alternative sigma factors. These recognize only certain promoters and thus allow transcription of a select category of genes.

## Some more global control systems known in *E. coli*

**Table 8.1** Examples of global control systems known in *Escherichia coli*<sup>a</sup>

System	Signal	Primary activity of regulatory protein	Number of genes regulated
Aerobic respiration	Presence of O <sub>2</sub>	Repressor (ArcA)	50+
Anaerobic respiration	Lack of O <sub>2</sub>	Activator (FNR)	70+
Catabolite repression	Cyclic AMP concentration	Activator (CAP)	300+
Heat shock	Temperature	Alternative sigma ( $\sigma^{32}$ )	36
Nitrogen utilization	NH <sub>3</sub> limitation	Activator (NR <sub>1</sub> )/alternative sigma ( $\sigma^{54}$ )	12+
Oxidative stress	Oxidizing agent	Activator (OxyR)	30+
SOS response	Damaged DNA	Repressor (LexA)	20+

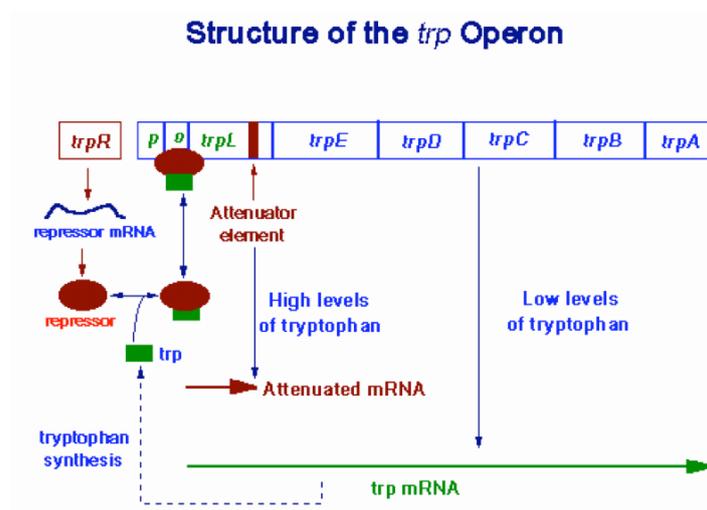
<sup>a</sup> For many of the global control systems, regulation is complex. A single regulatory protein can play more than one role. For instance, the regulatory protein for aerobic respiration is a repressor for many promoters but an activator for others, whereas the regulatory protein for anaerobic respiration is an activator protein for many promoters but a repressor for others. Regulation can also be indirect or require more than one regulatory protein. Some of the regulatory proteins involved are members of two-component systems (see Section 8.12). Many genes are regulated by more than one global system. (For a discussion of the SOS response, see Section 10.4.)

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## OTHER MECHANISMS OF REGULATION

## Attenuation

### Amino acid biosynthesis (Tryptophane)



1. Repression der Transkription: Repressor
2. Attenuation!



**Threonine** Met-Lys-Arg-Ile-Ser-Thr-Thr-Ile-Thr-Thr-Thr-Ile-Thr-Ile-Thr-Thr-Gly-Asn-Gly-Ala-Gly

**Histidine** Met-Thr-Arg-Val-Gln-Phe-Lys-His-His-His-His-His-His-His-Pro-Asp

**Phenylalanine** Met-Lys-His-Ile-Pro-Phe-Phe-Phe-Ala-Phe-Phe-Phe-Thr-Phe-Pro

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Attenuation is a mechanism whereby gene expression (typically at the level of transcription) is controlled *after* initiation of RNA synthesis. Attenuation mechanisms involve a coupling of transcription and translation and can therefore occur only in prokaryotes.

## RNA Regulation and Riboswitches

### Regulation durch Riboswitches

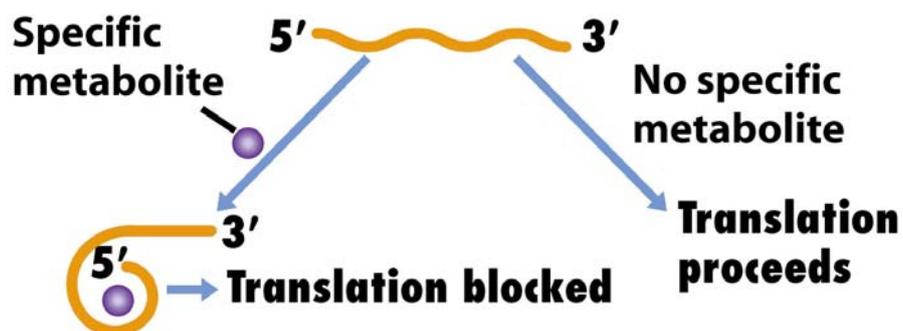
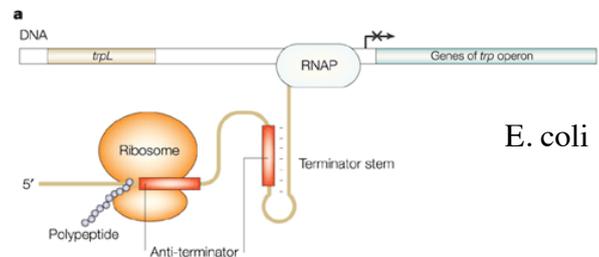


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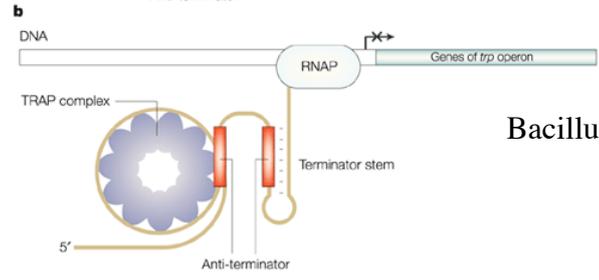
Regulation der Tryptophan-biosynthese in 2 verschiedenen Bakterien

Ribosom als Sensor



E. coli

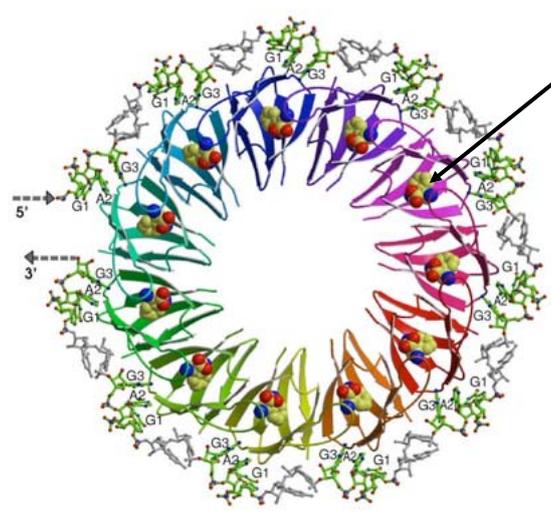
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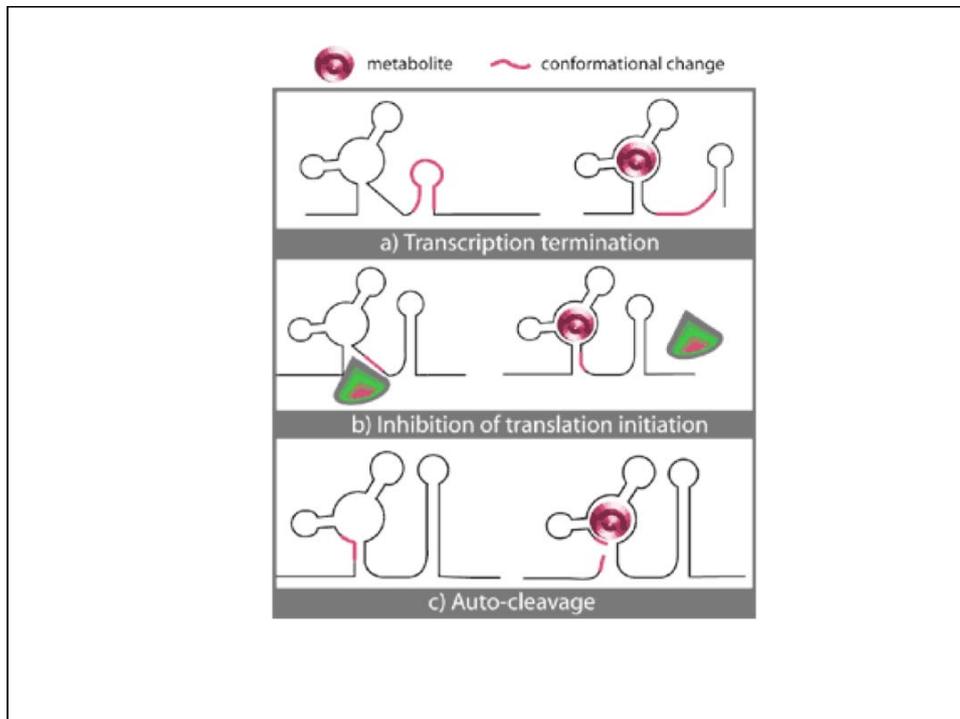
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TRAP protein



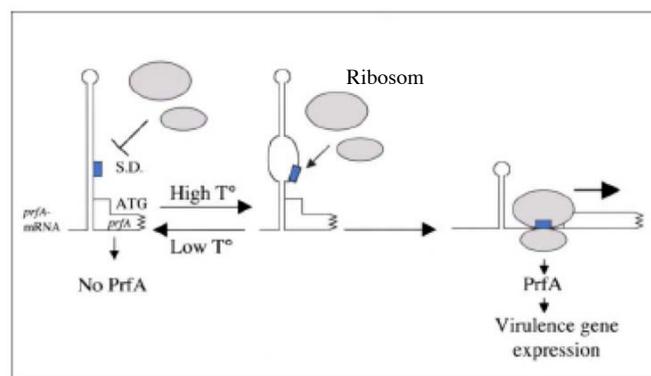
Each subunit binds tryptophane



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### An RNA Thermosensor Controls Expression of Virulence Genes in *Listeria monocytogenes*

„molekulares Thermometer“



30°C

37°C

5-fach erhöhte Transkription

