

# **Advance Genetic Engineering**

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# PROBES LABELING



# Introduction

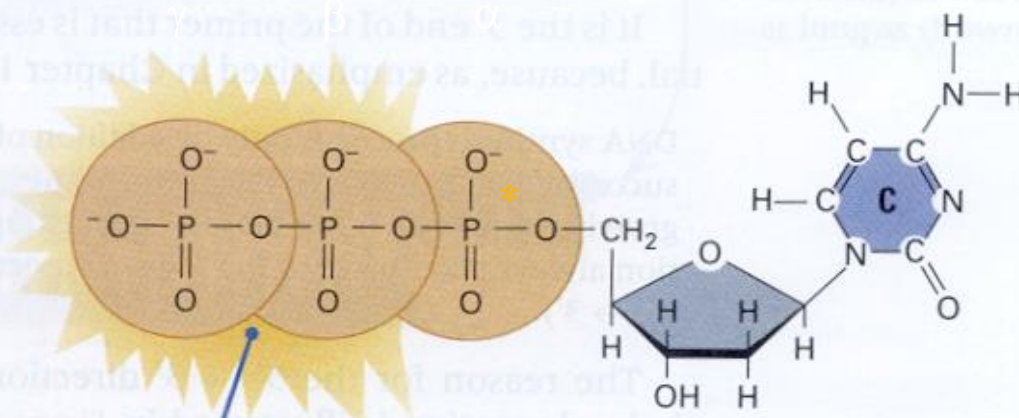
1. Normal atoms replacement

2.  $H^3$   $P^{32}$   $N^{14}$ ,  $N^{15}$ ,  $C^{14}$

3. Fluorescents.

4. Applications: detection of

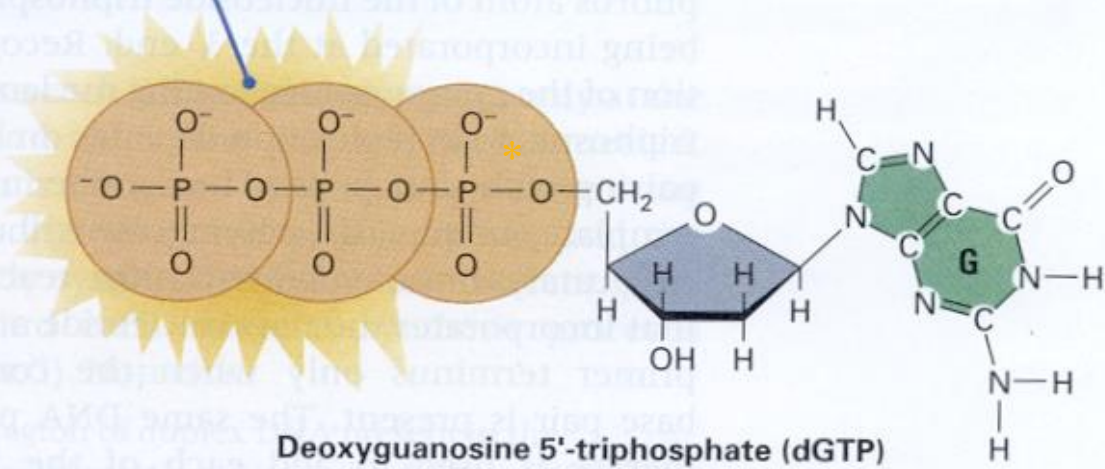
- Compounds movements
- Enzymatic reaction
- Secondary metabolites
- Diseases diagnosis
- DNA replication
- Proteins studies



Deoxycytidine 5'-triphosphate (dCTP)

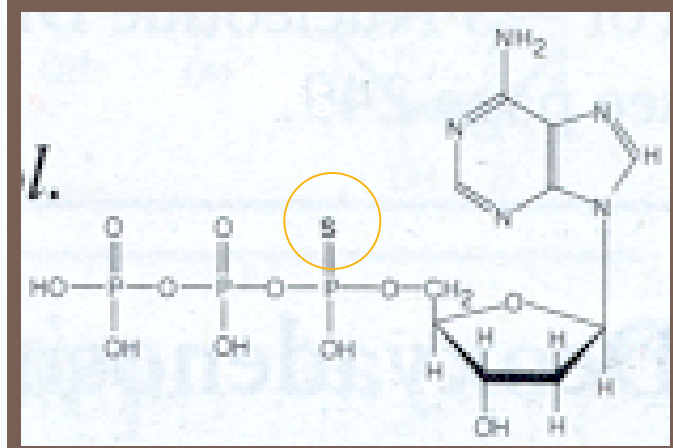
The outer two phosphate groups are cleaved off when nucleotides are added to the growing DNA strand.

\* = 32 or 33p



Deoxyguanosine 5'-triphosphate (dGTP)

# Radioactively labeled dNTPs



# - **Isotopes Safety procedure**



# General use of the probes in genetics

1. Enzymatic monitoring
2. Detection and isolation of genes
3. Analysis of the structure of genes
4. Detection of gene expression
5. Many other purposes

# 1. Enzymatic monitoring

e.g. monitoring the synthesis of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> cDNA strands., DNA synthesis in cells.

# 2. Detection and isolation of genes

e.g. gene detection on DNA fragments., detection of genes among chromosomes.

# 3. Analysis of the structure of genes

e.g. DNA sequencing., gene mutations

# METHODS OF LABELING NUCLEIC ACID & PROBES

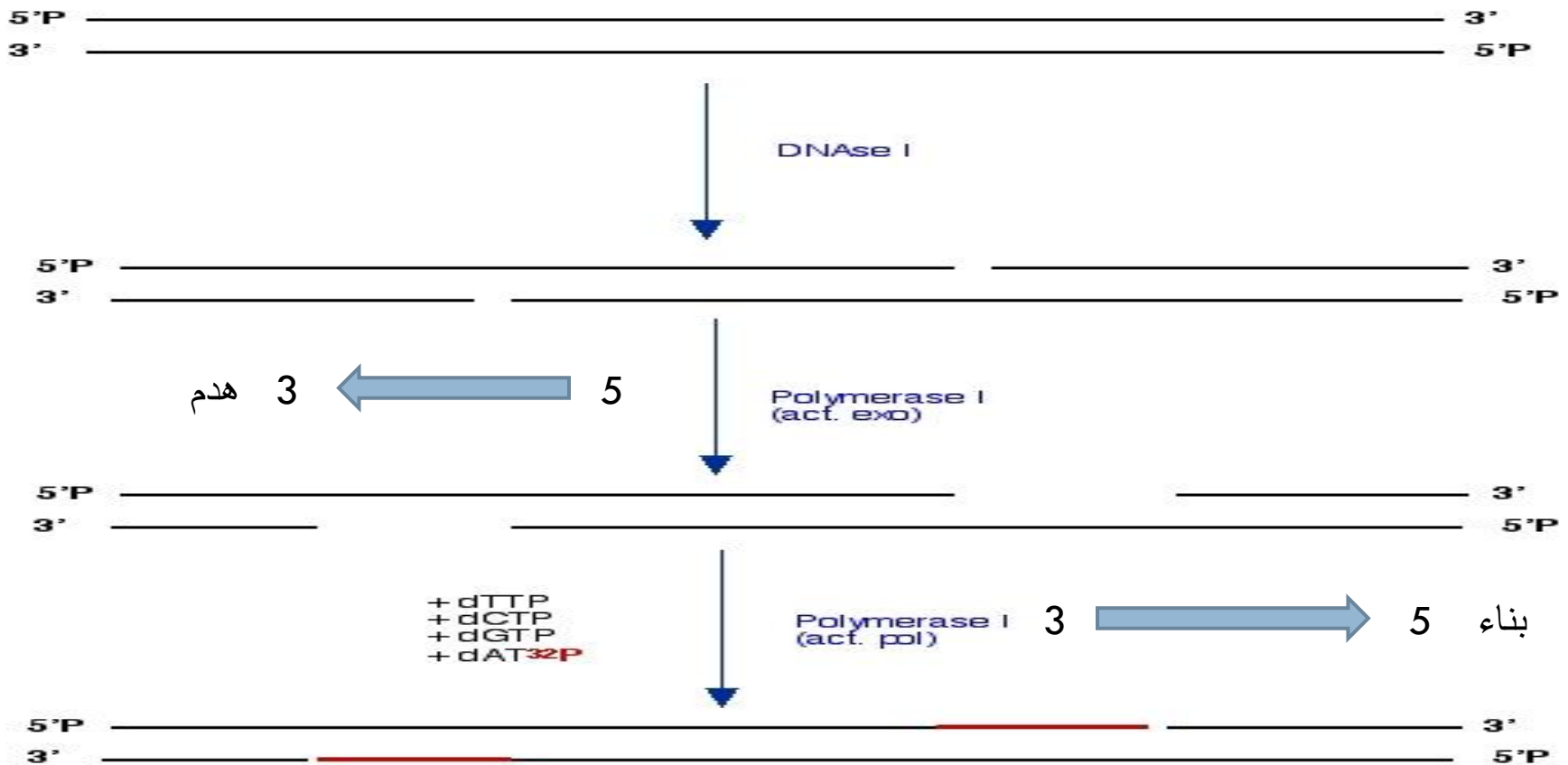
**There are five basic methods for labeling nucleic acids. These are:**

- **Nick translation**
- **Primer extension**
- **End labeling methods**
- **Methods based on RNA polymerase**
- **Direct labeling methods**



## 4. Nick translation based labeling

- Dnase I nicks the DNA (cuts phosphodiester bonds)
- DNA polymerase (with a 5' to 3' exonuc act) replaces nucleotides with new dNTPs, one or more of which is labeled.



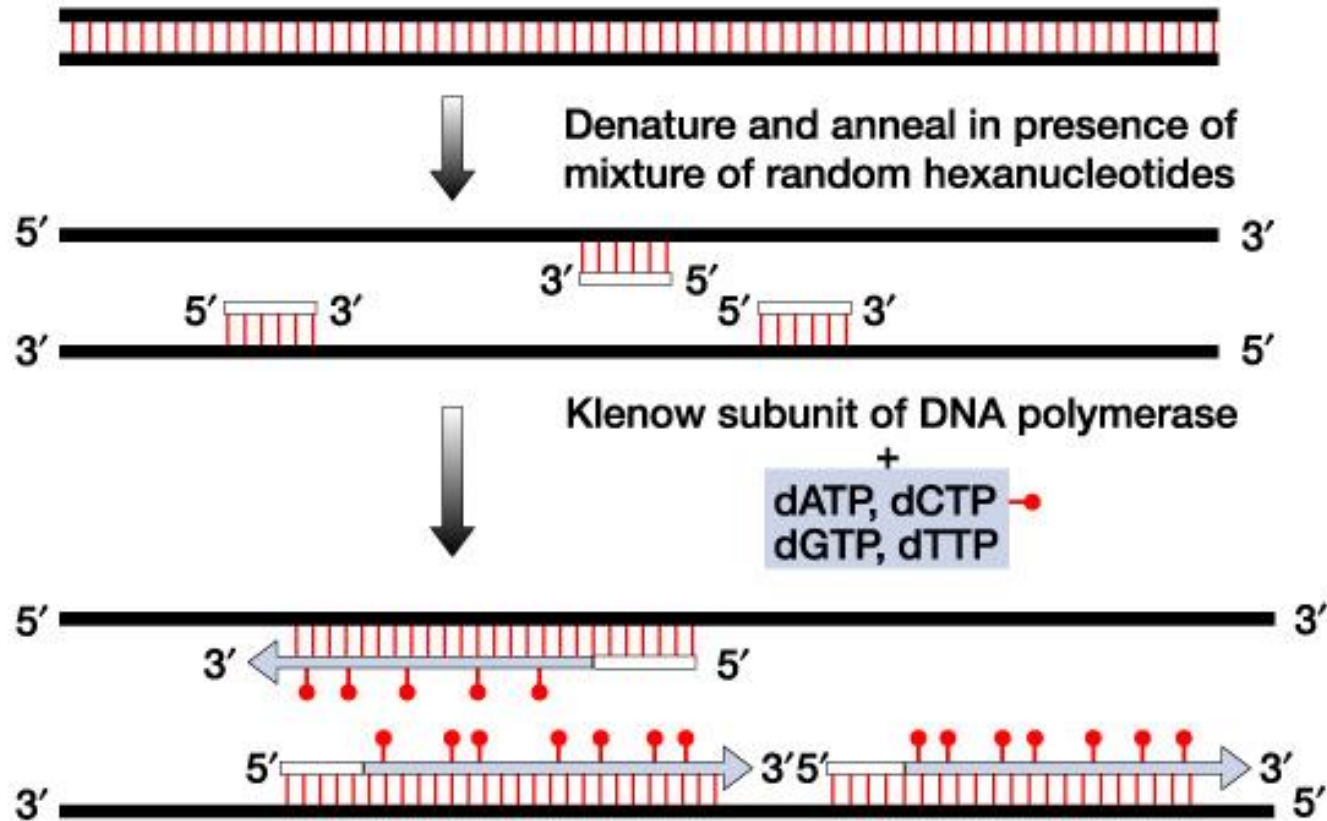
# Factors effect nick translation method:

1. Contamination
2. Enzyme concentration
3. Reaction temperature

## Disadvantages

1. Need One ug DNA
2. Need to control reaction temperature.
3. Need to control enzymes concentration
4. The reaction is not suitable for single strand DNA


## (B) Primer extension: Random primer synthesis



Single strand DNA + Klenow fragments

Key:  
● Labeled nucleotide

# Random primer synthesis with reverse transcriptase E

mRNA + reverse transcriptase enzyme +  
dNTPA  labelled cDNA

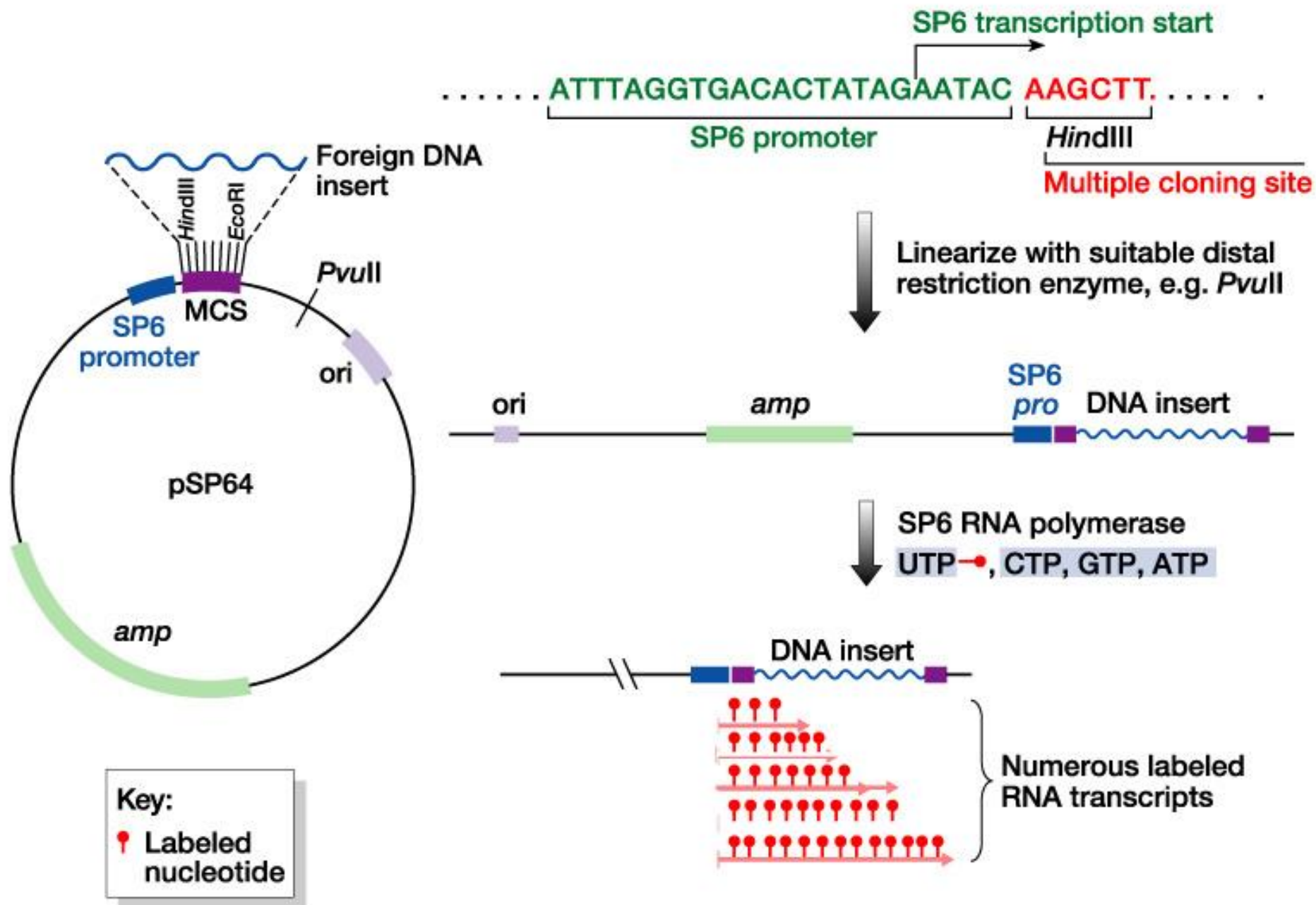
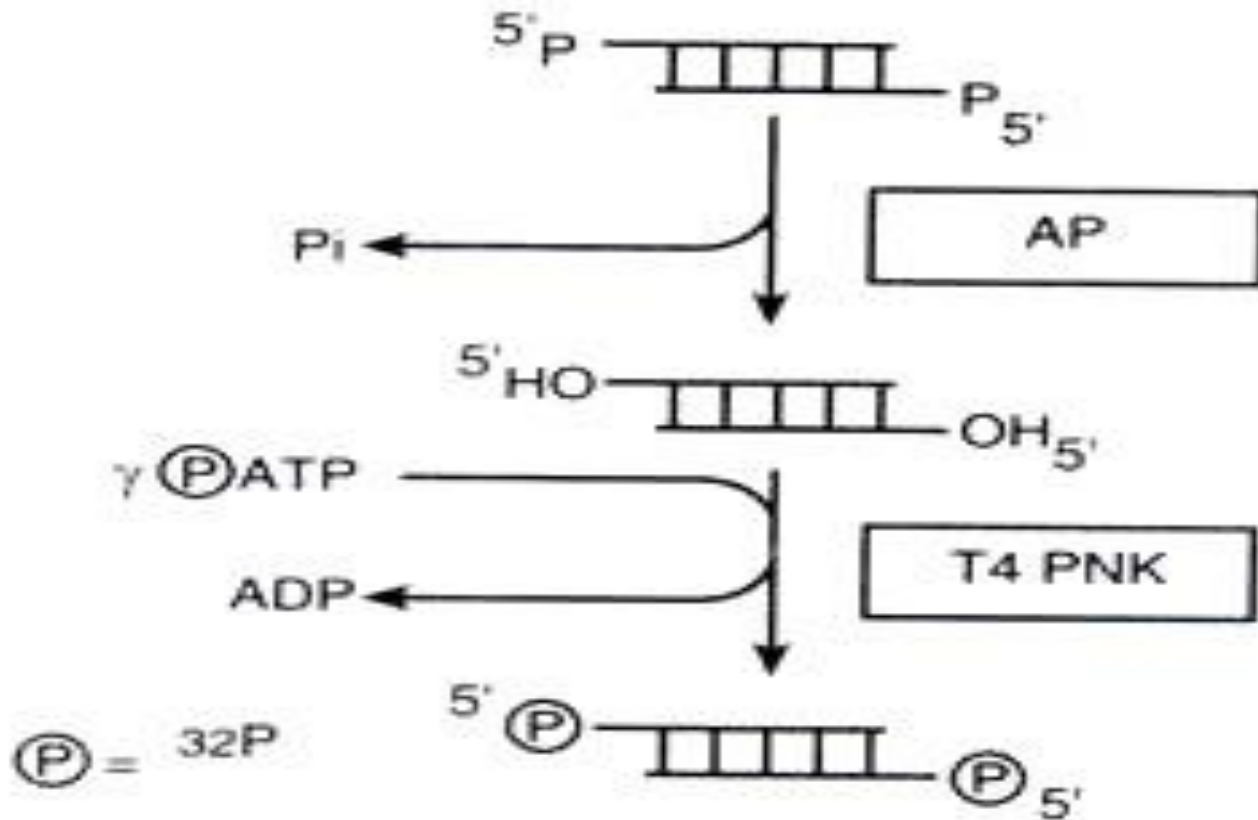


Figure 6-3 Human Molecular Genetics, 3/e. (© Garland Science 2004)

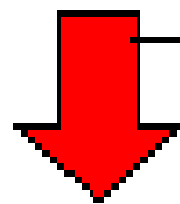
# 5 -end labelling



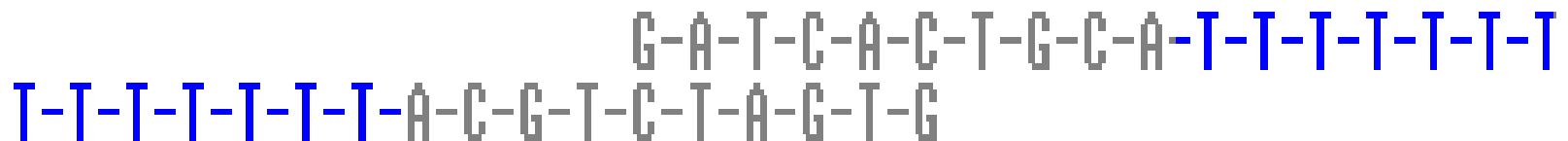
**Fig. 3.7:** End-labelling of a gene probe at 5'-end with alkaline phosphate and polynucleotide kinase

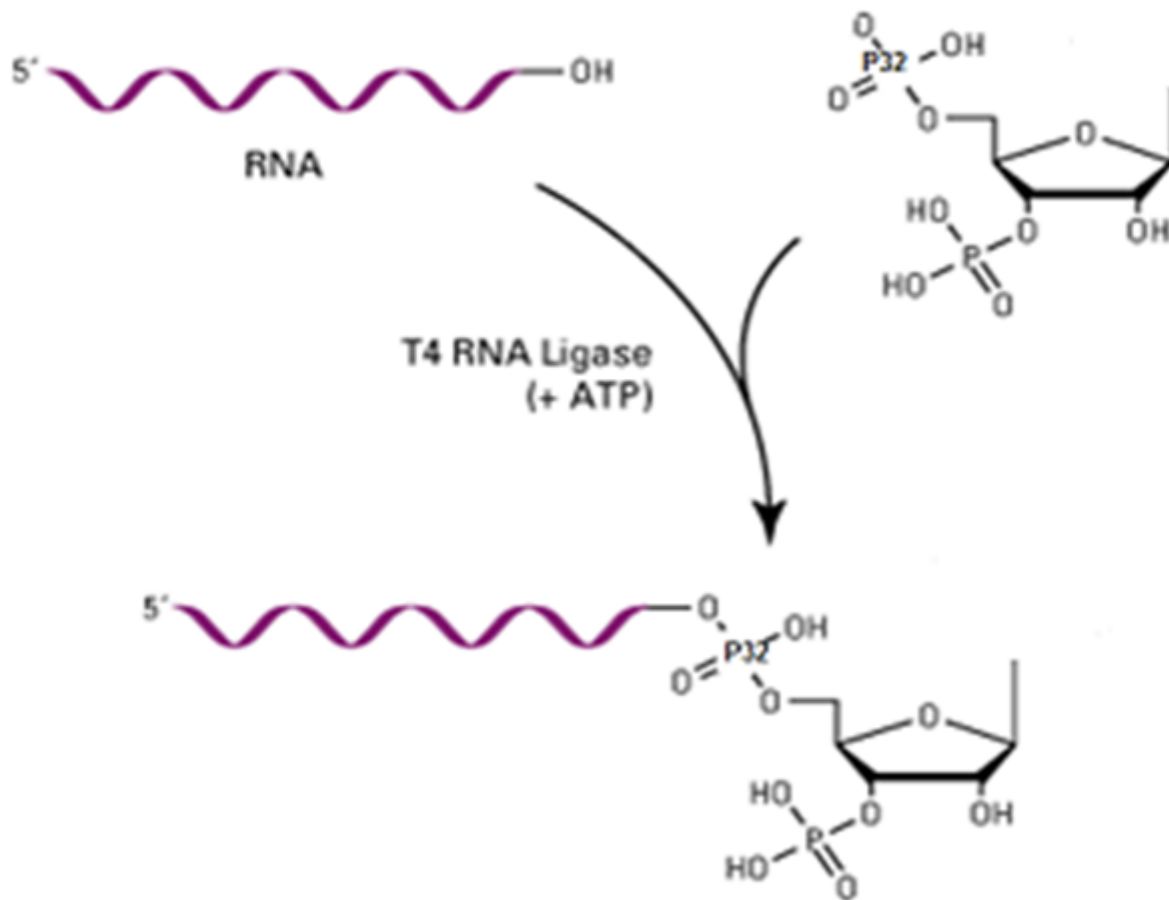
## 3' end labeling

- Use terminal deoxynucleotidyl transferase - TdT to add homopolymer extensions at the 3'OH of a probe. Works for ss and ds DNA



Terminal transferase  
+  
dTTP





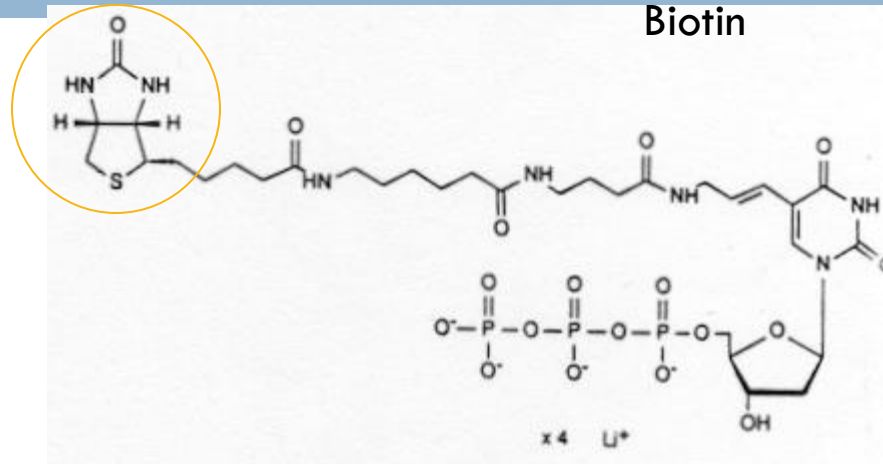


# Un-irradiated labeled probes

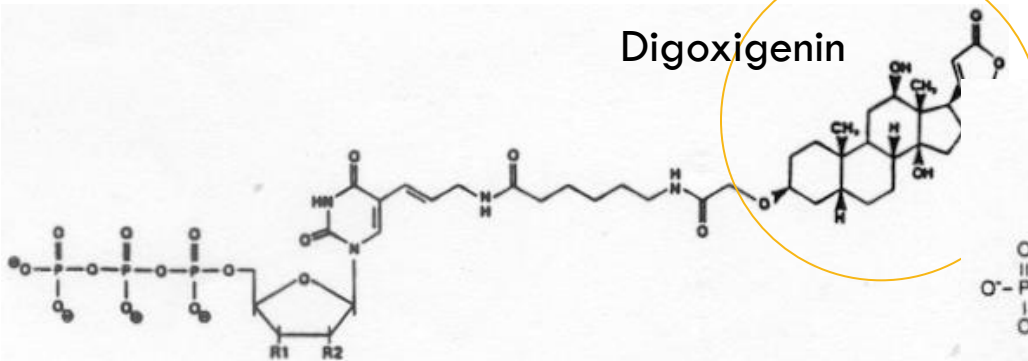
- Biotin
- Acetylamino fluorenyl
- Sulphonated cytidine
- + Avidin or strep avidin..... color light
- Immuno labelling

# Non-radioactively labeled (d)NTPs

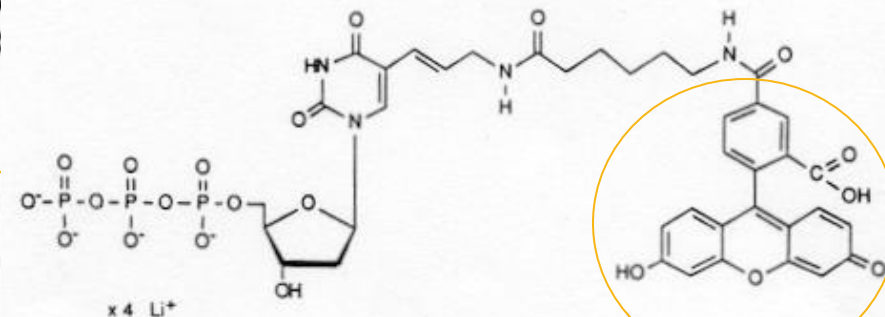
Biotin



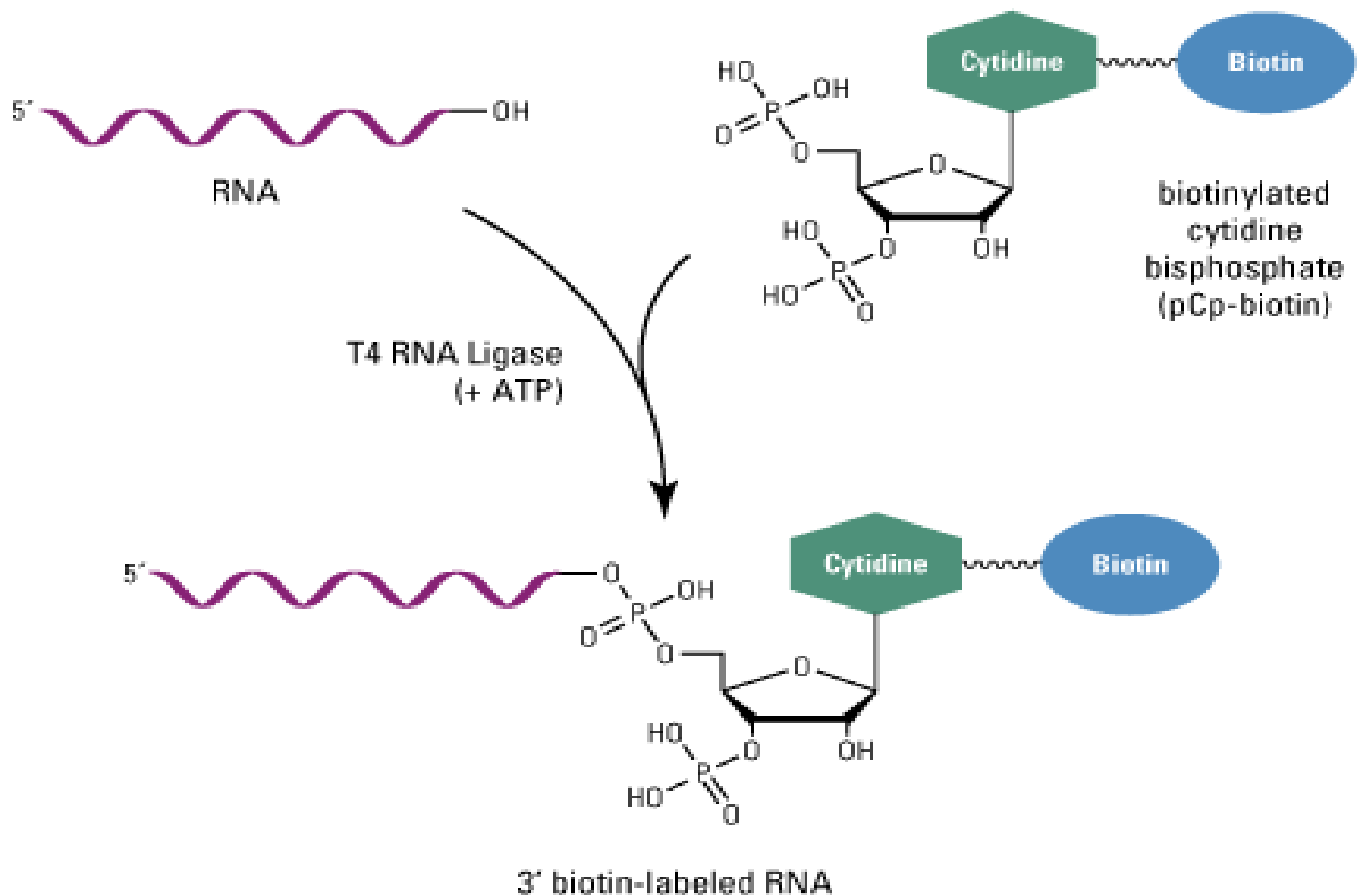
Digoxigenin

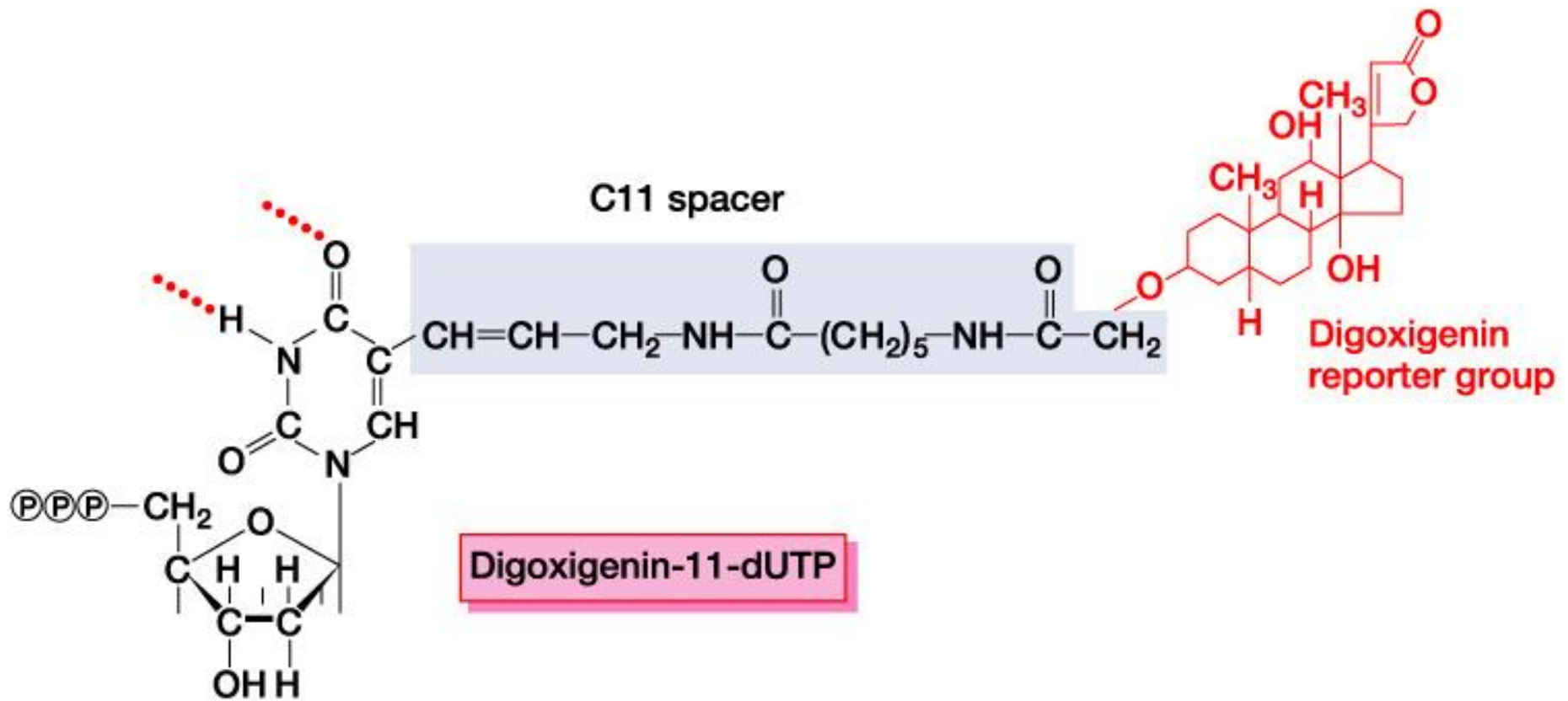


Digoxigenin-UTP (R1 = OH, R2 = OH)  
Digoxigenin-dUTP (R1 = OH, R2 = H)

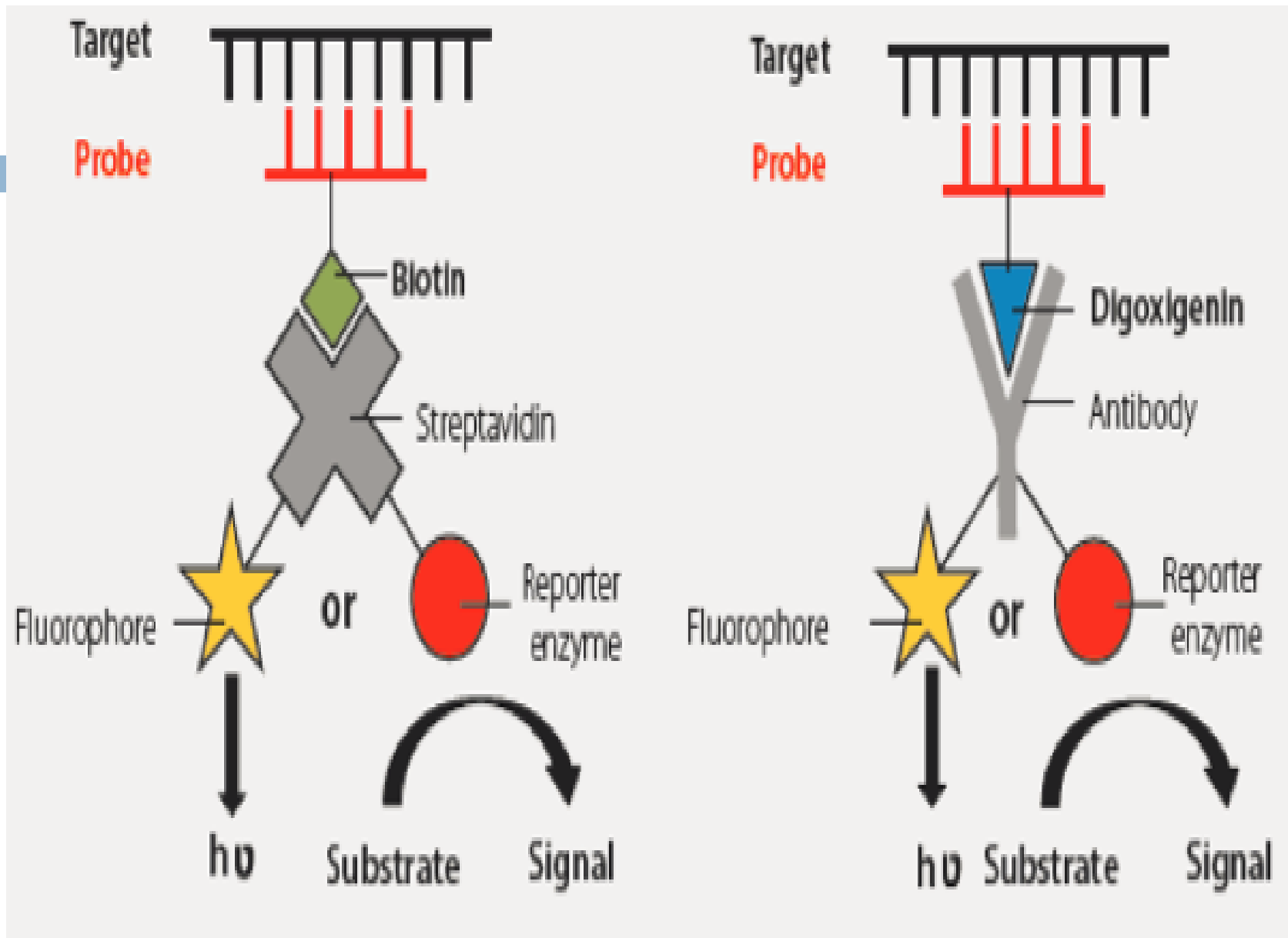


Fluorescein

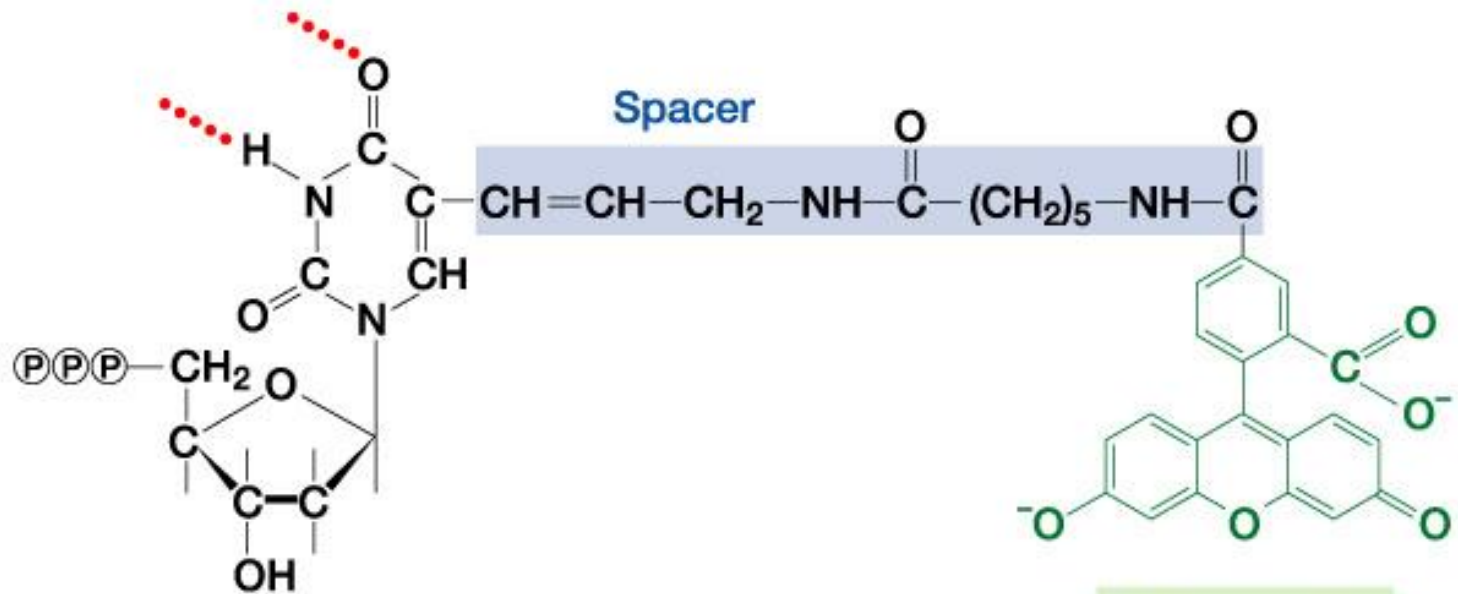




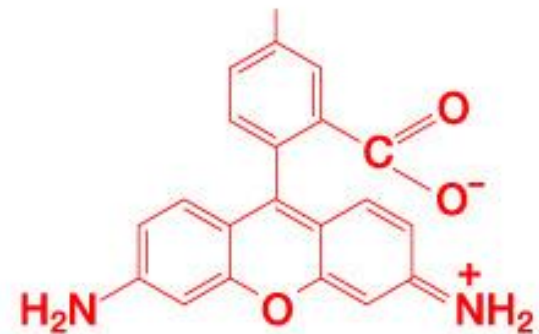
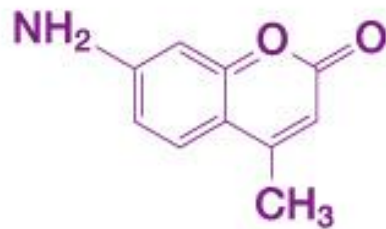
**Key:**  
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 Potential hydrogen bond in base pairing when incorporated in double helix



(A)



Amino methyl  
coumarin



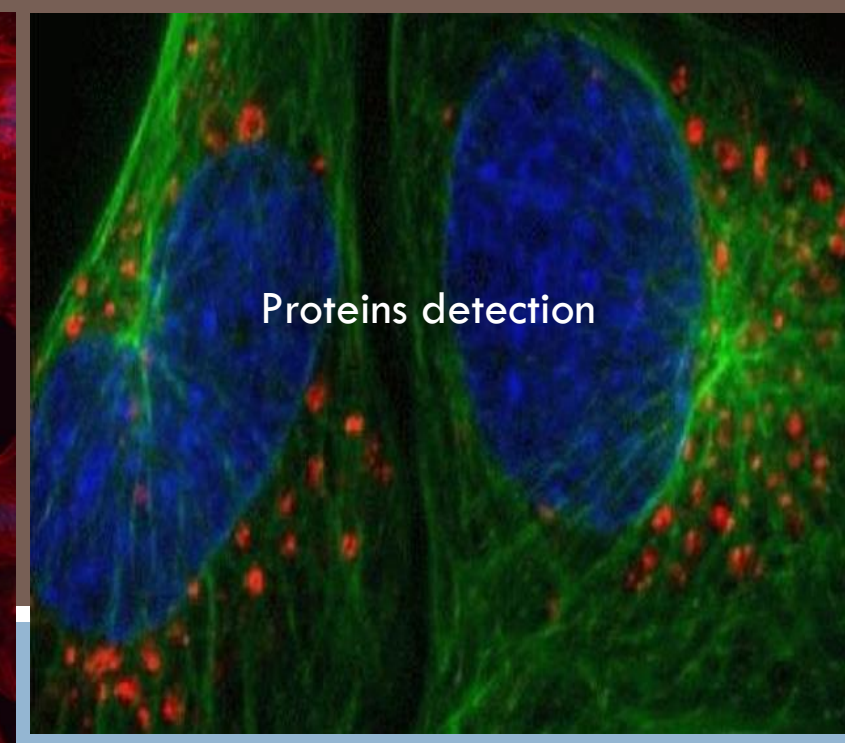
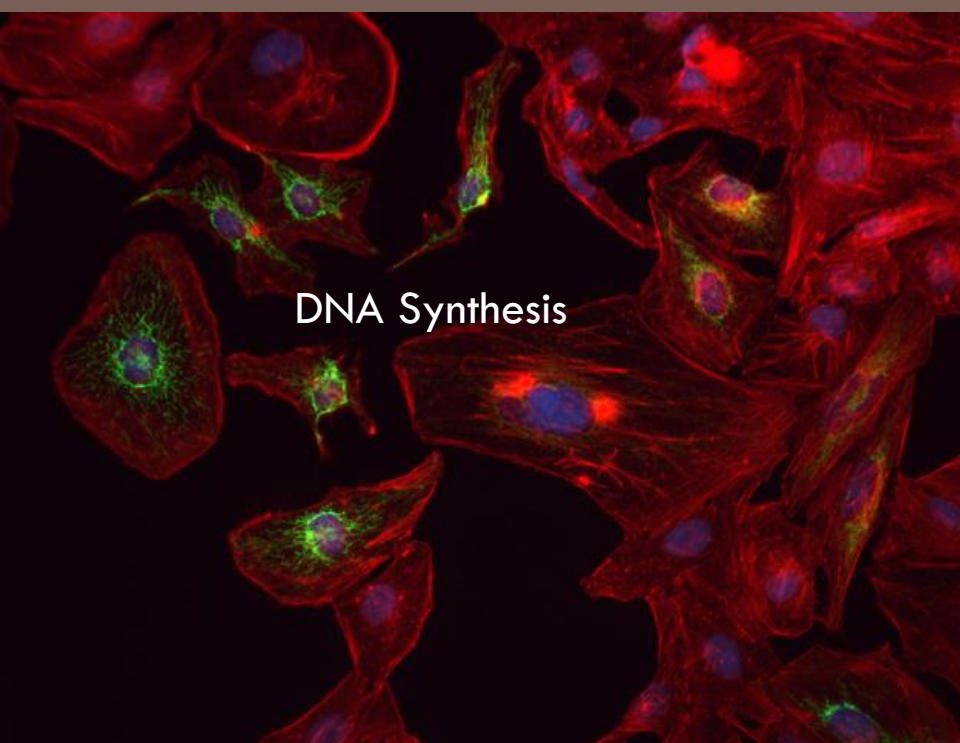
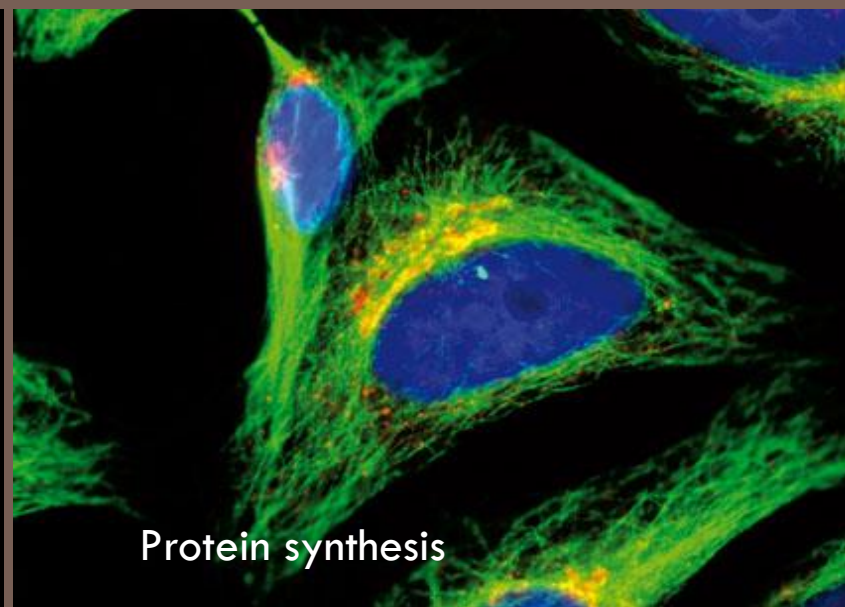
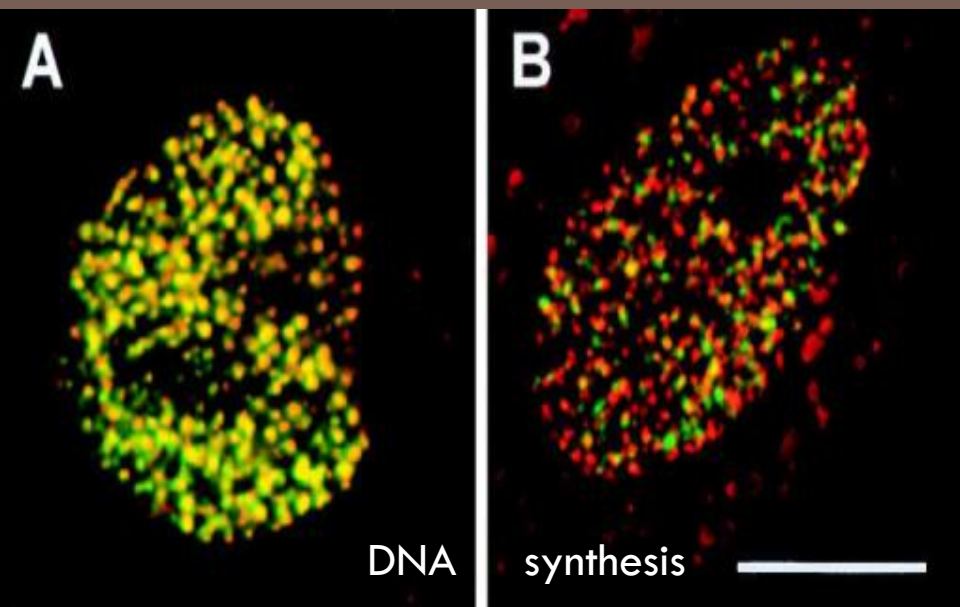
Rhodamine

**A****B**

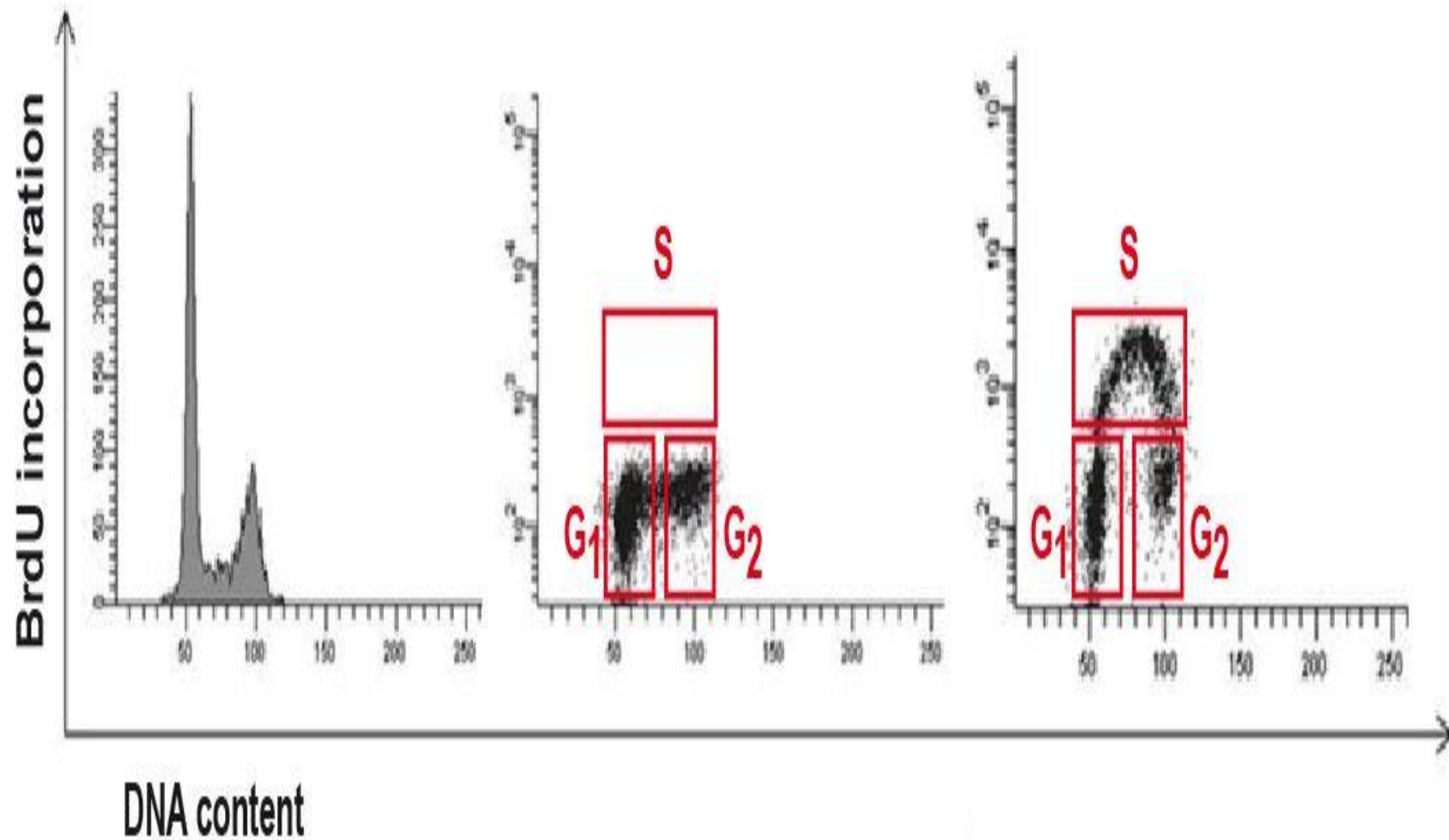
# Living cells labeling

- Use  $S^{35}$  –  $N^{14, 15}$  for protein monitoring  
or  $P^{32}$  for DNA-RNA monitoring
- Thymidin or cytidin or Amonium chloride
- Semi conservative replication  
Experiments
- DNA replication experiments





# (A) Flow cytometry



# Thank you

