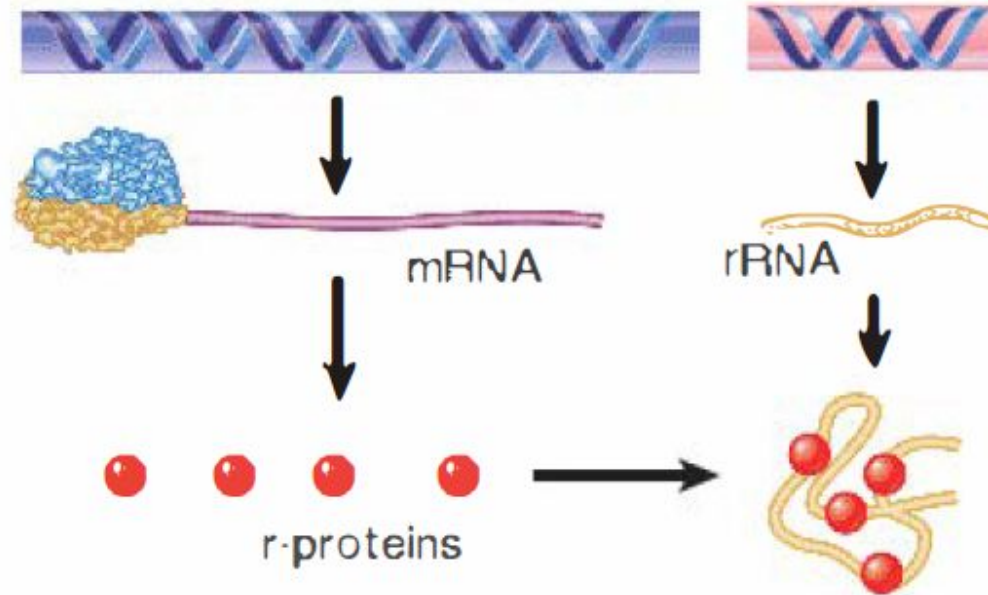
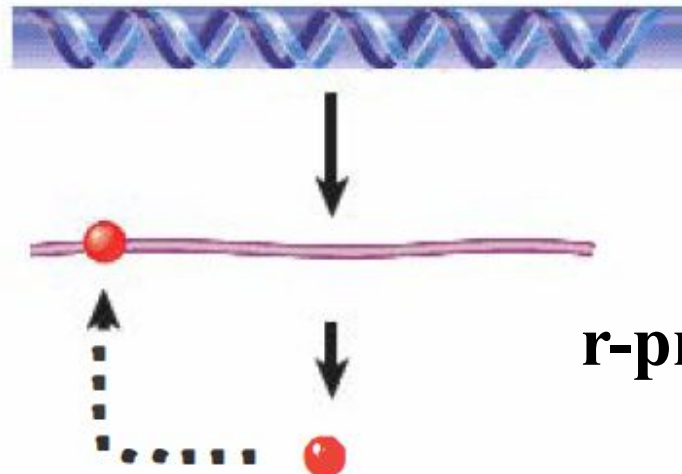


When rRNA is available, the r-proteins associate with it. Translation of mRNA continues.



When no rRNA is available, r-proteins accumulate. An r-protein binds to mRNA and prevents translation.

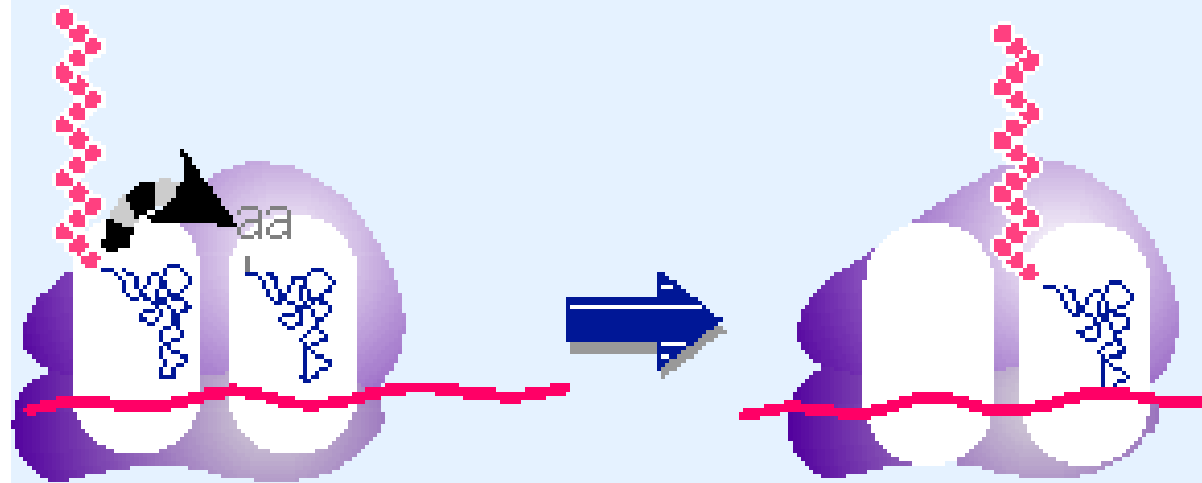


**r-proteins → ribosomal proteins**

**FIGURE 26.42** Translation of the r-protein operons is autogenously controlled and responds to the level of rRNA.

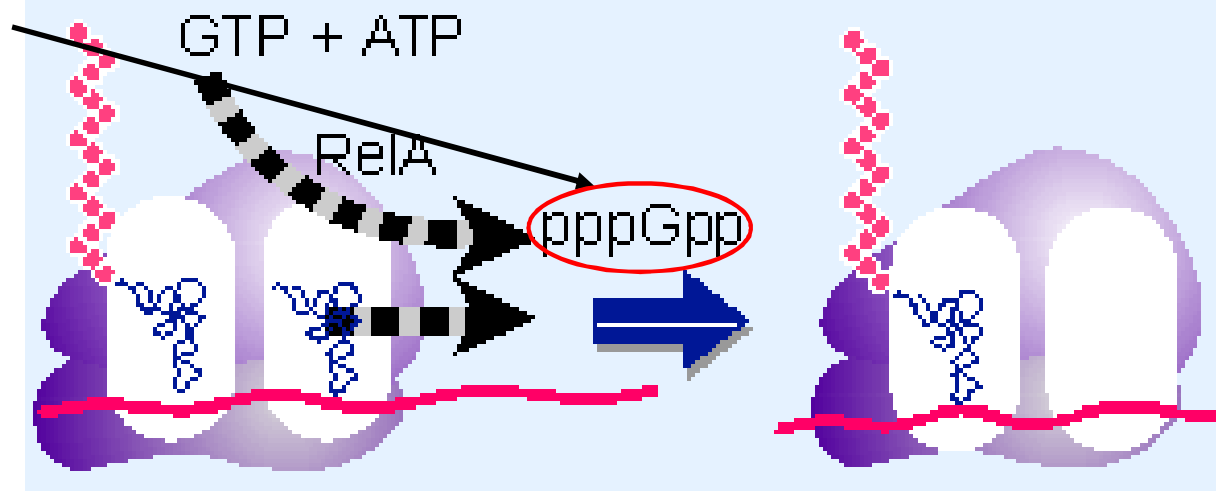
**Stringent response: when bacteria find themselves in such poor growth conditions that they lack a sufficient supply of amino acids to sustain protein synthesis, they shut down a wide range of activities.**

Aminoacyl-tRNA is substrate for peptide

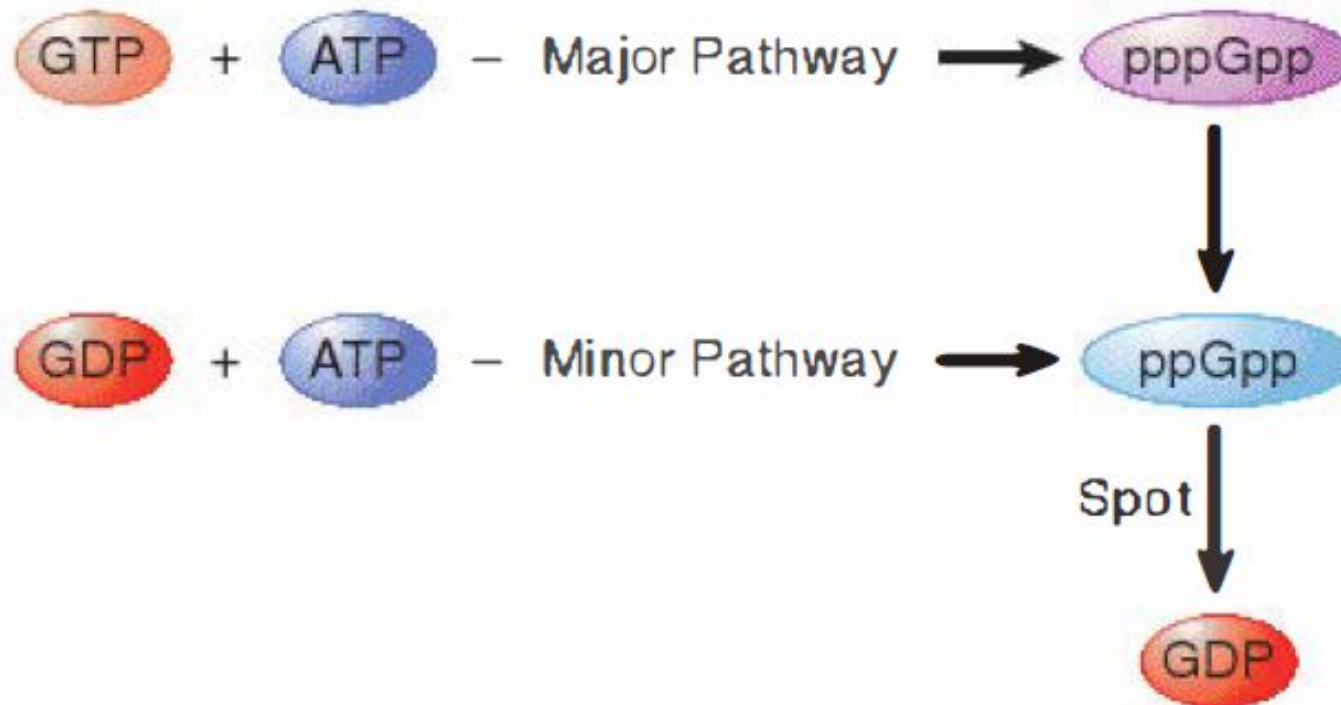


Small molecule used by bacteria to regulate gene expression

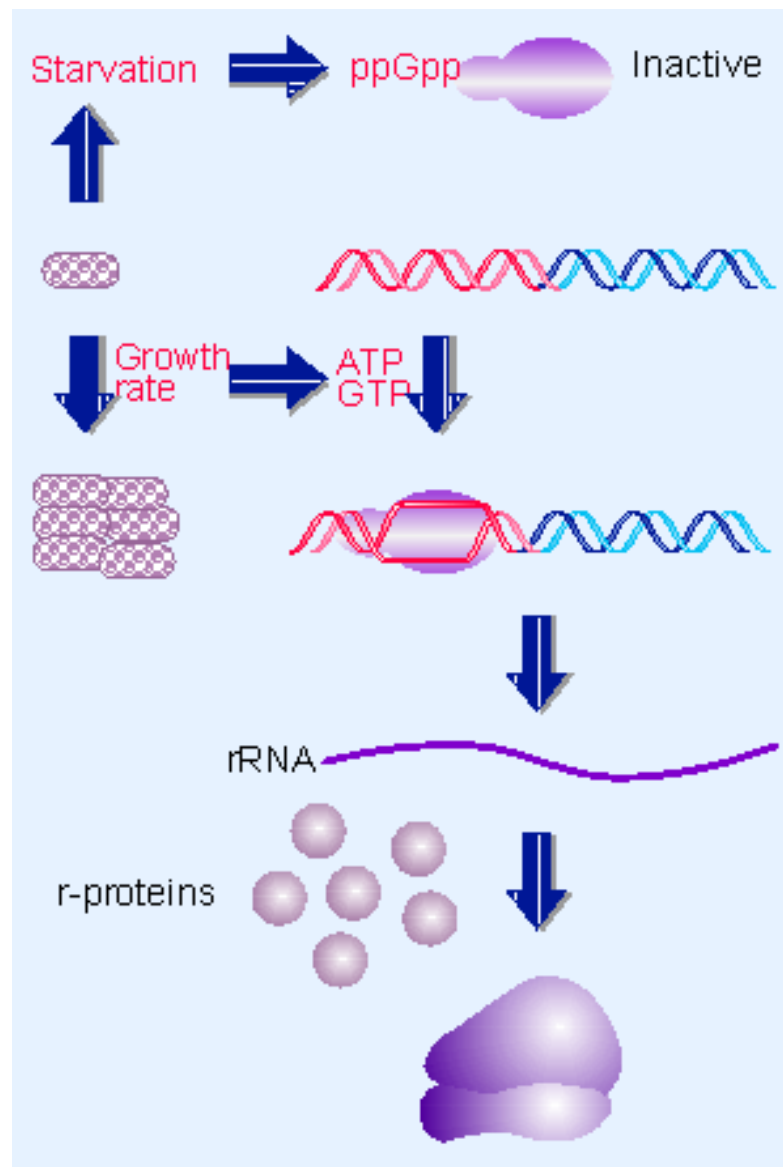
Uncharged tRNA triggers idling



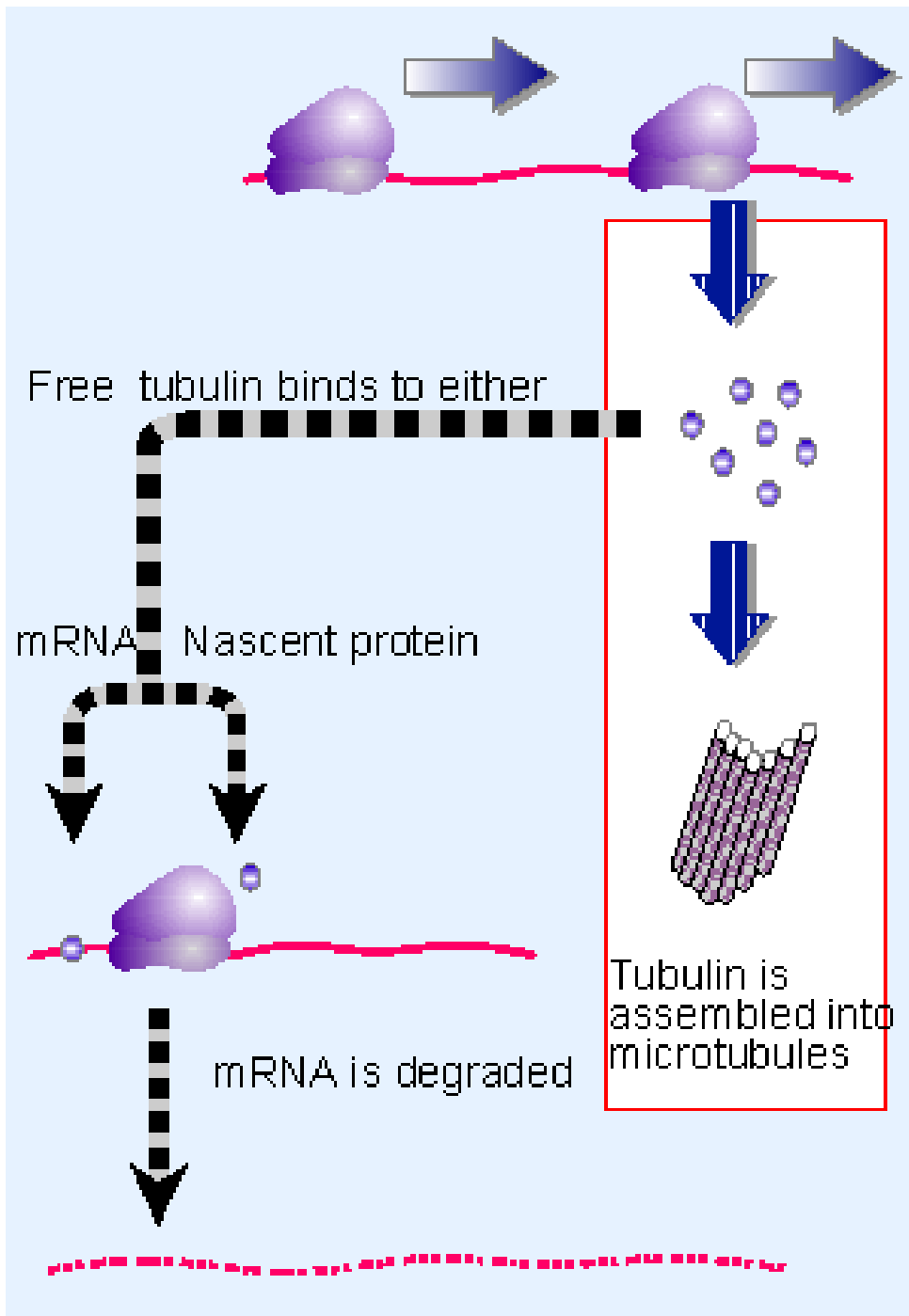
**Rel A**  
**(p)ppGpp synthesis = Stringent factor**



**FIGURE 26.40** Stringent factor catalyzes the synthesis of pppGpp and ppGpp; ribosomal proteins can dephosphorylate pppGpp to ppGpp. ppGpp is degraded when it is no longer needed.



**Nucleotide levels control initiation of rRNA transcription.**



**Tubulin** is one of several members of a small family of globular proteins. The most common members of the tubulin family are  $\alpha$ -tubulin and  $\beta$ -tubulin, the proteins that make up microtubules.

Tubulin is assembled into microtubules when it is synthesized. Accumulation of excess free tubulin induces instability in the tubulin mRNA by acting at a site at the start of the reading frame in mRNA or at the corresponding position in the nascent protein.

# Regulation of translation

- **General**

- **Specific**

<i>Initiation Factors</i>		<i>Activity</i>
<i>prokaryotes</i>	<i>eukaryotes</i>	
<b>IF3</b>	eIF-1	Fidelity of AUG codon recognition
<b>IF1</b>	eIF-1A	Facilitate Met-tRNA <sup>iMet</sup> binding to small subunit
	eIF-2	Ternary complex formation
	eIF-2B (GEF)	GTP/GDP exchange during eIF-2 recycling
	eIF-3 (12 subunits)	Ribosome antiassociation, binding to 40S
	eIF-4F (4E, 4A, 4G)	mRNA binding to 40S, RNA helicase activity
	eIF-4A	ATPase-dependent RNA helicase
	eIF-4E	5' cap recognition
	eIF-4G	Scaffold for of eIF-4E and -4A
	eIF-4B	Stimulates helicase, binds with eIF-4F
	eIF-4H	Similar to eIF4B
	eIF-5	Release of eIF-2 and eIF-3, GTPase
<b>IF2</b>	eIF5B	Subunit joining
	eIF-6	Ribosome subunit antiassociation

## ***eIF2***

- **3 subunits:  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$**
- **$\beta$  subunit helps the GTPase activity and regulates tRNA<sup>i</sup>-eIF2  $\gamma$  binding**
- **$\alpha$  subunit is a translation regulator. It is phosphorylated (ser 51) by different kinases as stress response.**



eIF-2 consists of  $\alpha\beta\gamma$  subunits

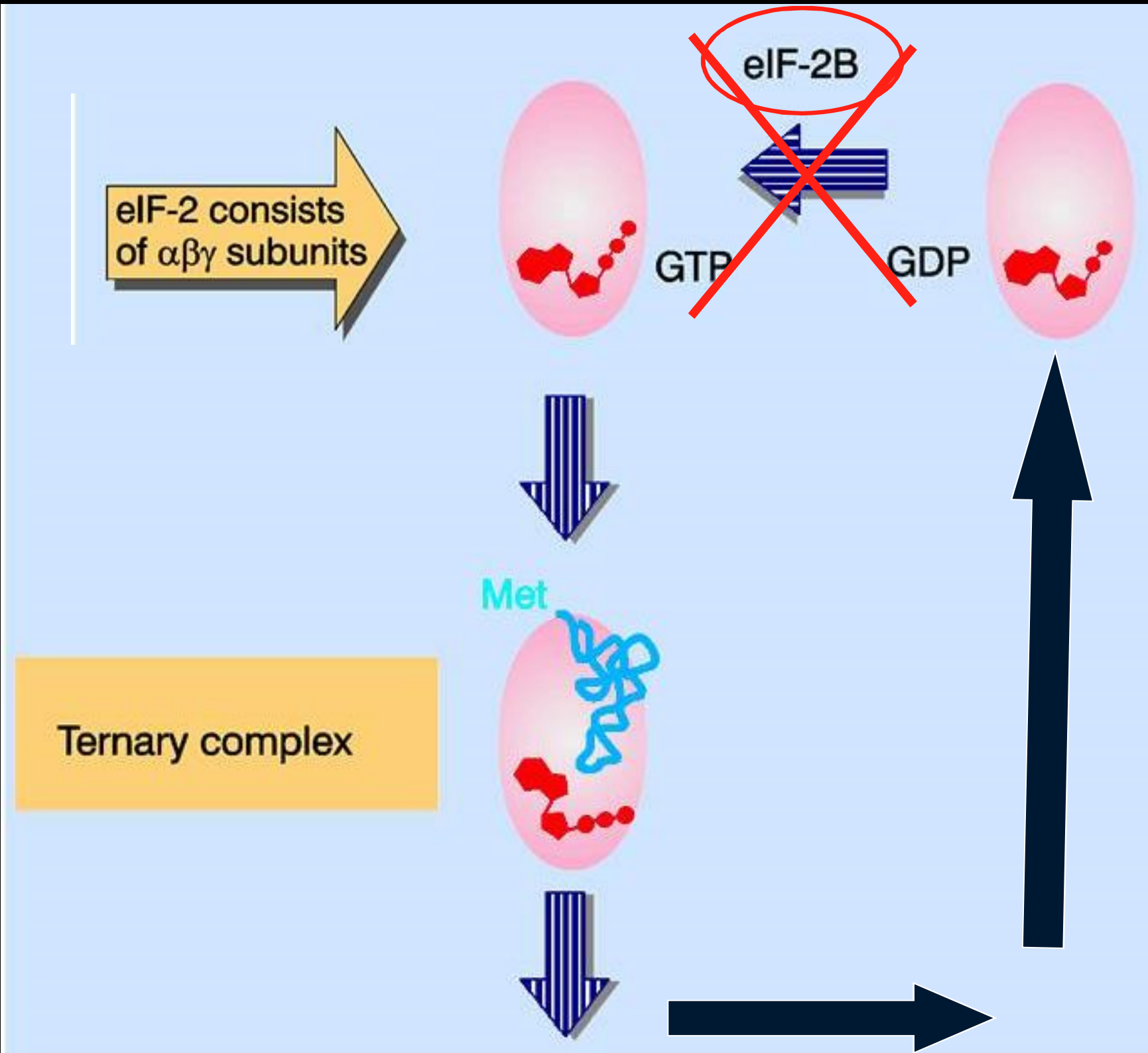
~~eIF-2B~~

GTP

GDP

Ternary complex

Met



## ***eIF4F***

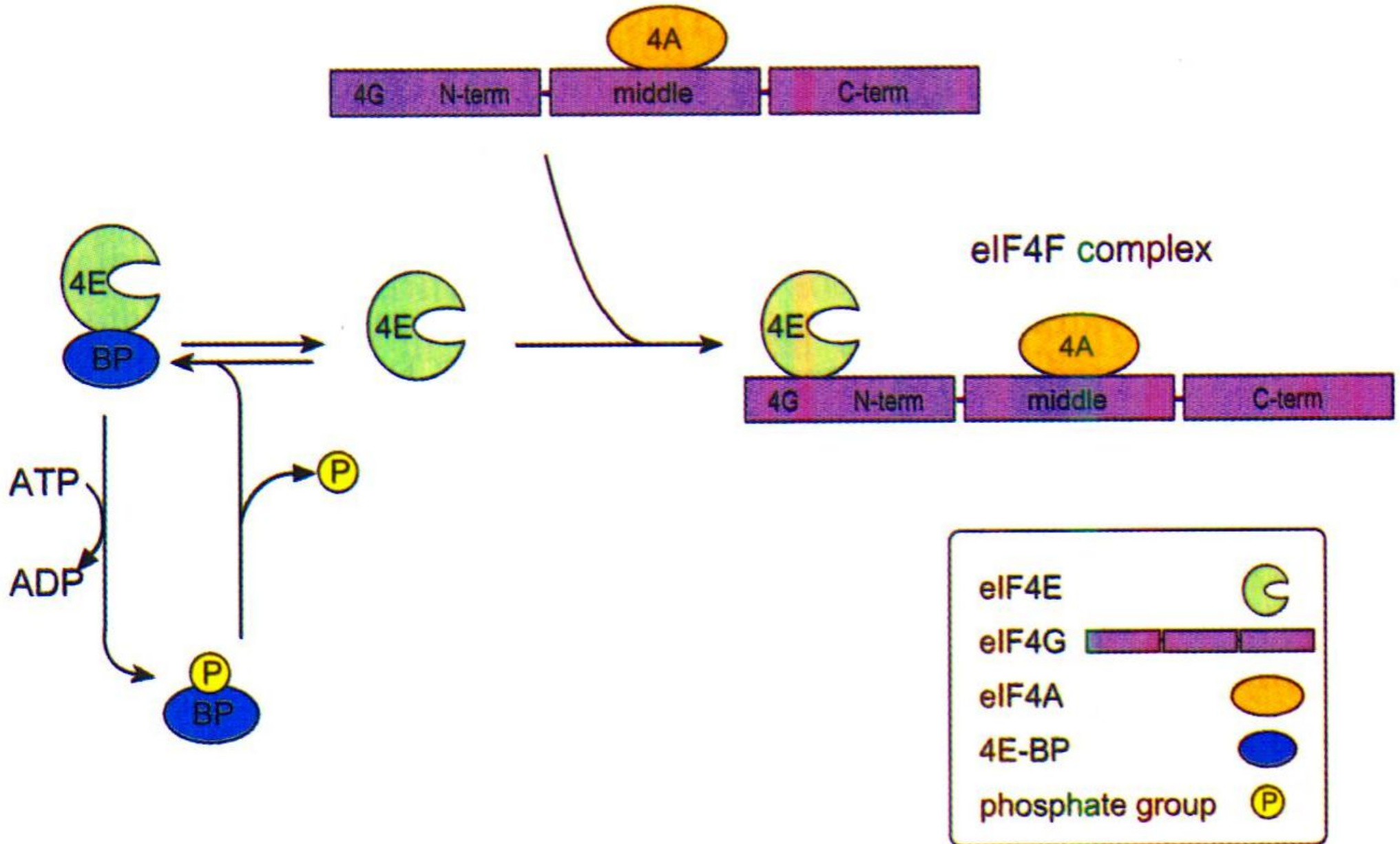
- **Made by 3 subunits**

**eIF4A: helicase, helped by eIF4B**

**eIF4E: cap binding protein, regulated by phosphorylation and interaction with eIF4E-BP**

**eIF4G: adaptor, interacts with many factors**

# eIF4F

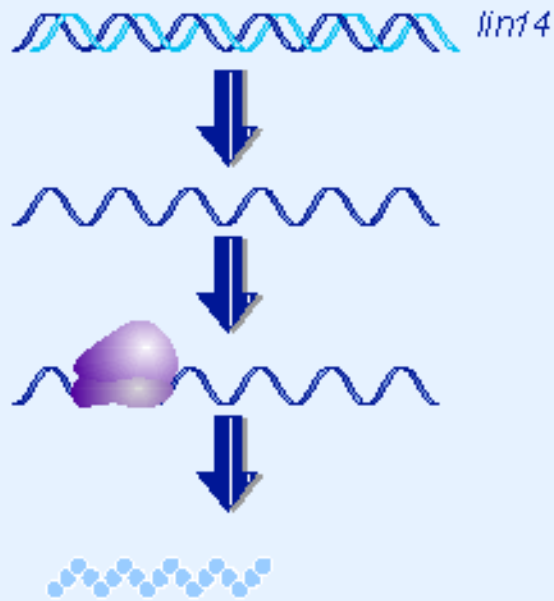


# Regulation of translation

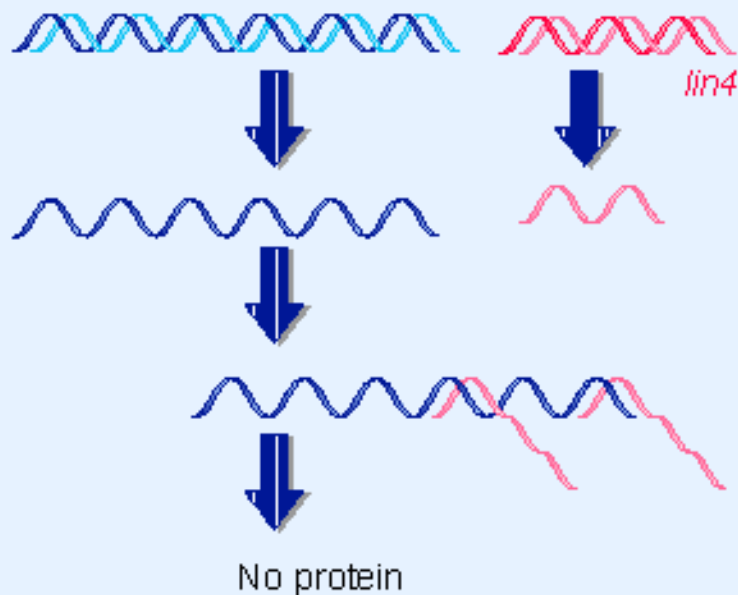
- **General**

- **Specific**

*lin14* codes for a single protein



*lin4* codes for a regulator RNA



**lin-14** encodes a protein whose activity is required for specifying the division timings of a specific group of cells during postembryonic development in the nematode *Caenorhabditis elegans*.

# dsRNA

- Viral origin
- Hexogen (artificially inserted in cells)

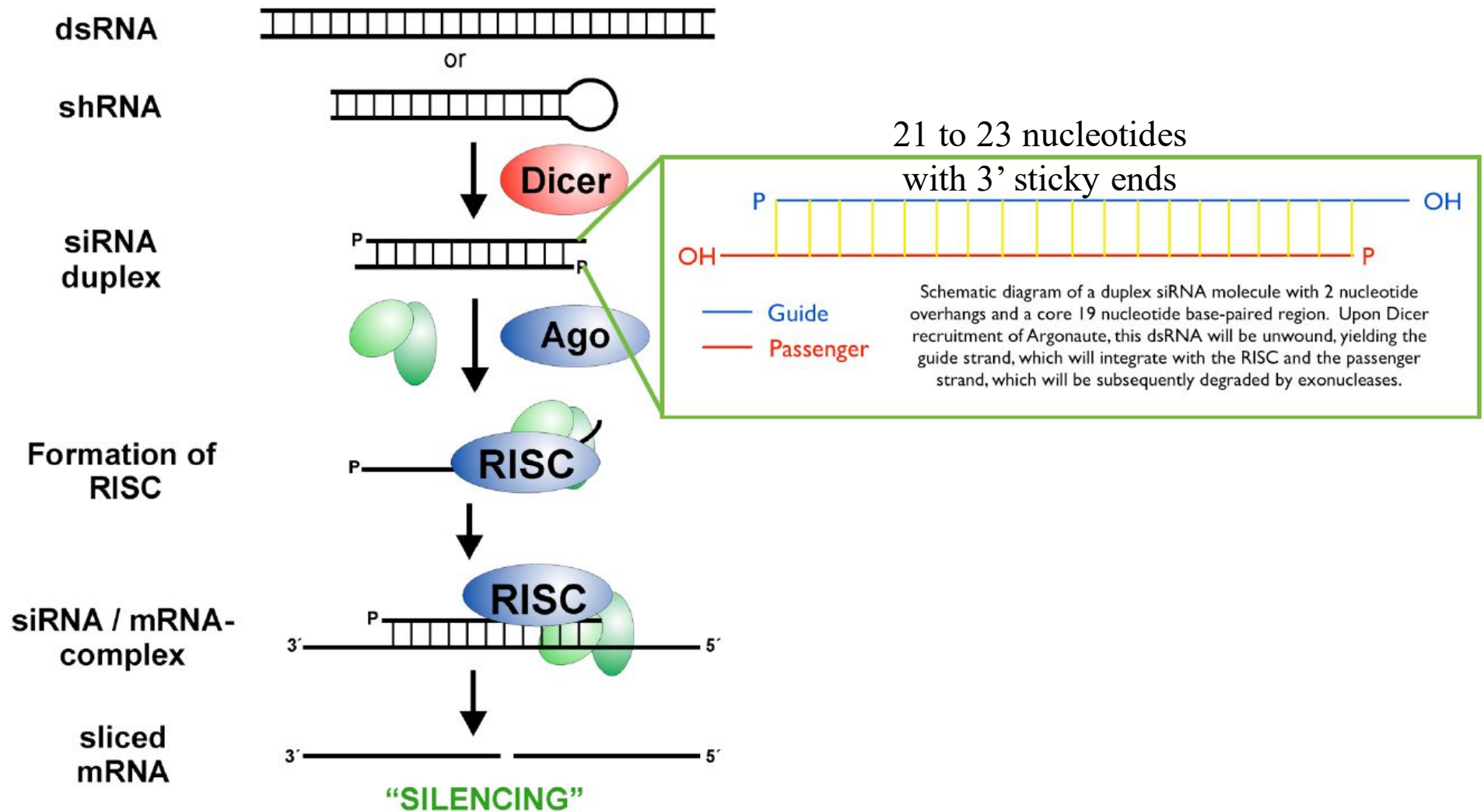
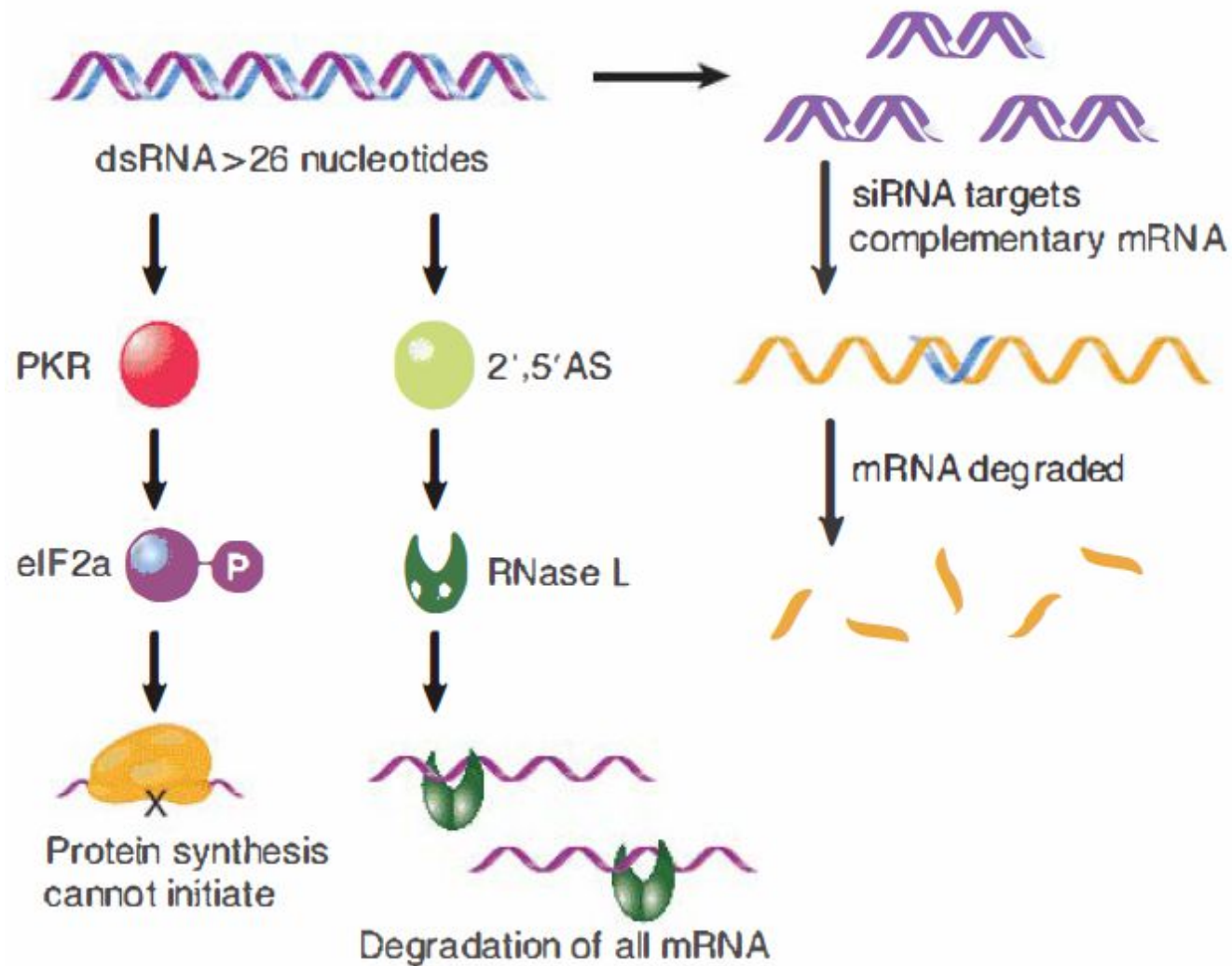


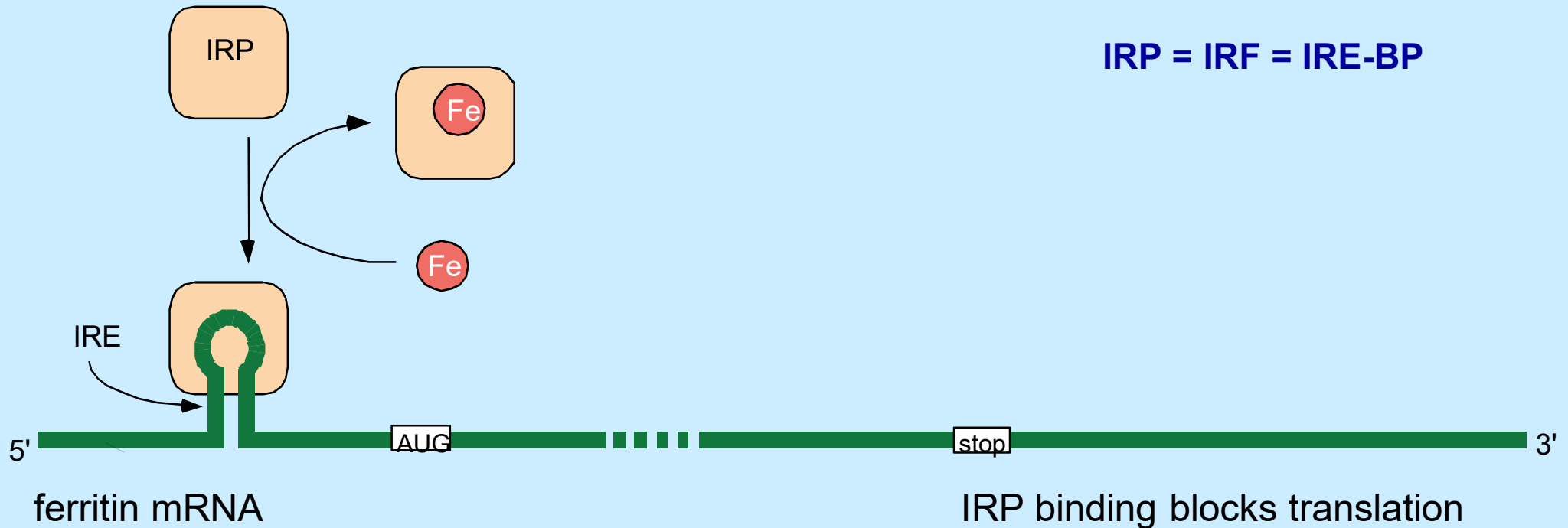
Diagram illustrating the major steps in siRNA biogenesis and subsequent siRNA-mediated gene silencing.

# RNA silencing (post-transcriptional gene silencing)



**FIGURE 30.13** Long dsRNA inhibits protein synthesis and triggers degradation of all mRNA in mammalian cells, as well as having sequence-specific effects.

# Translational control of ferritin synthesis in animal cells

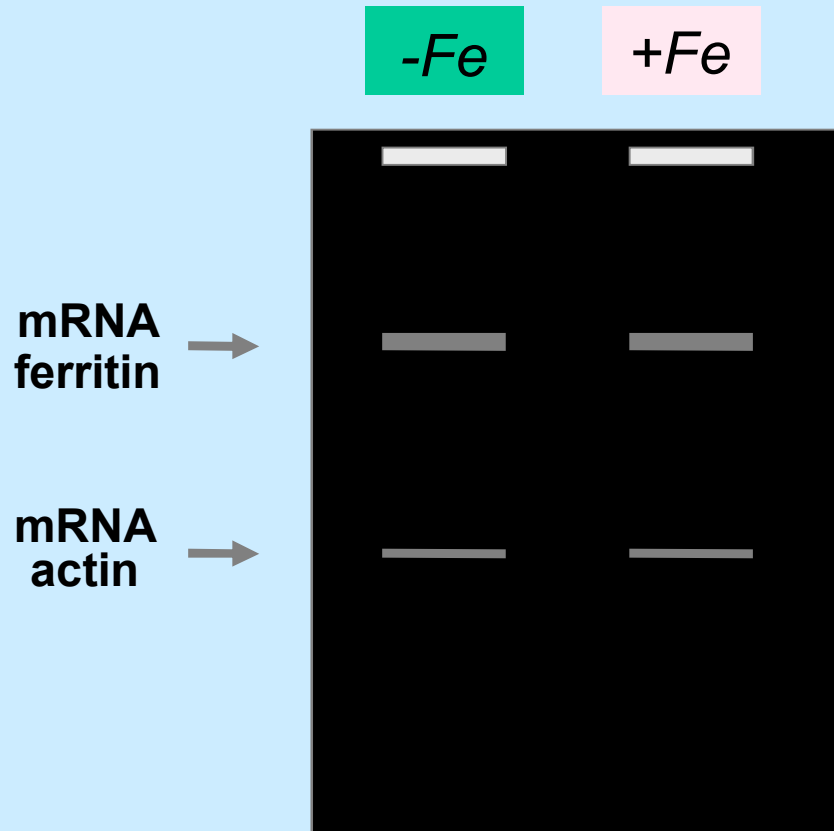


**Ferritin is a globular protein complex consisting of 24 protein subunits and is the main *intracellular iron storage protein* in both prokaryotes and eukaryotes, keeping it in a soluble and non-toxic form.**

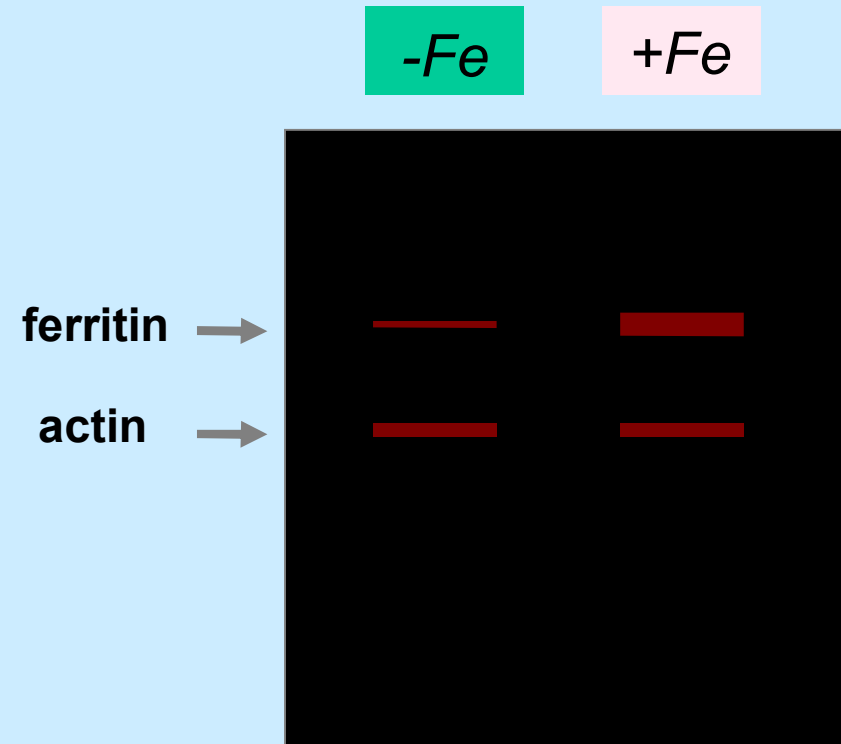


# Translational control proof

## Northern blot



## Western blot

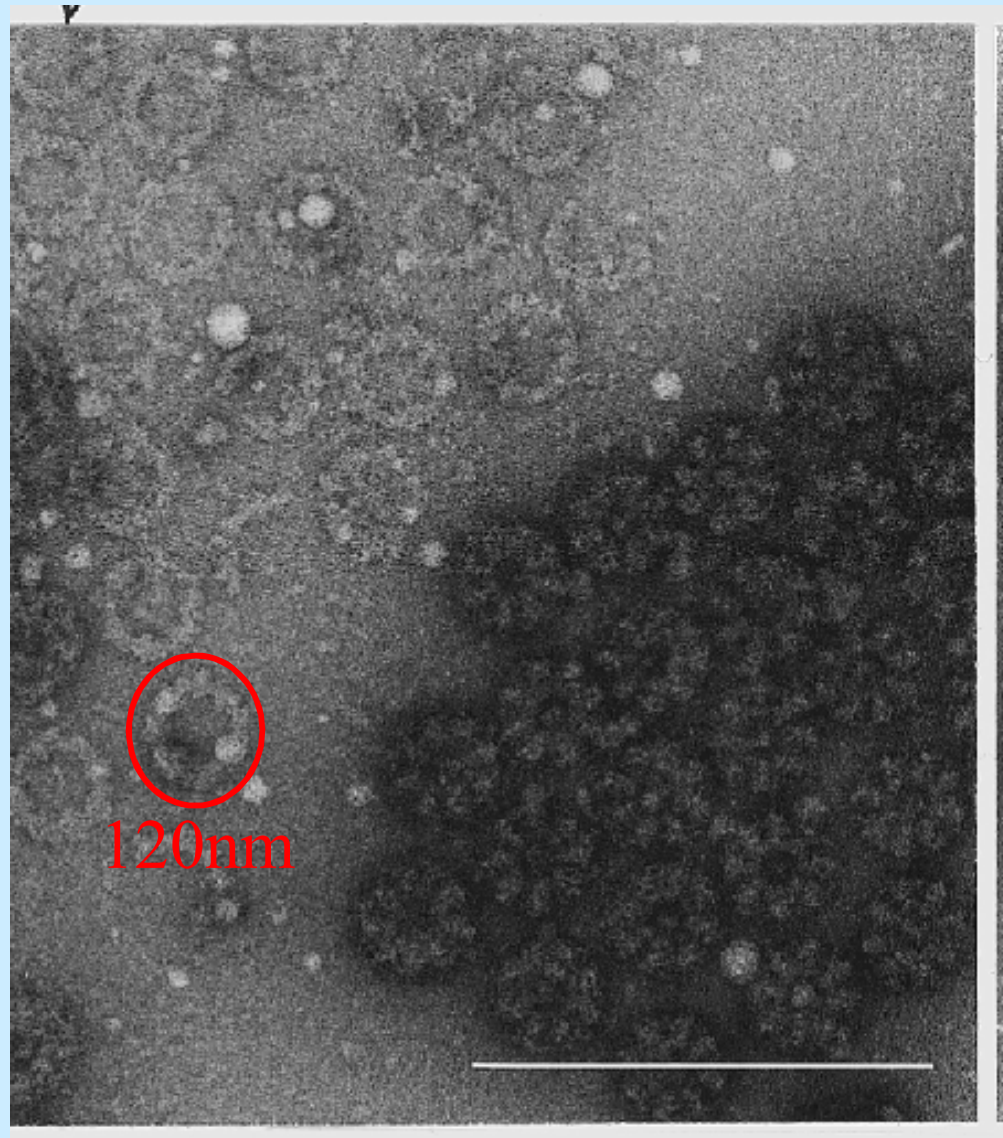


# **Nucleus-cytoplasm transport**

- ***Involves RNA and proteins***
- ***It is bidirectional***
- ***Uses the nuclear pore complexes***

Direction	Substrate	Passages /pore/min
Import	Histones	100
	Nonhistone proteins	100
	Ribosomal proteins	150
Export	Ribosomal subunits	~5
	mRNA	<1

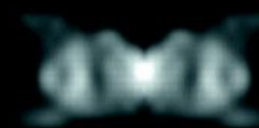
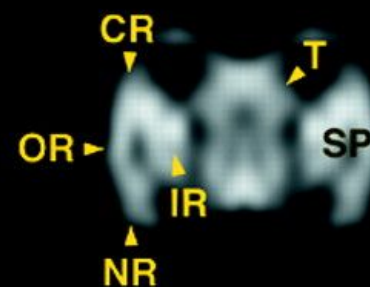
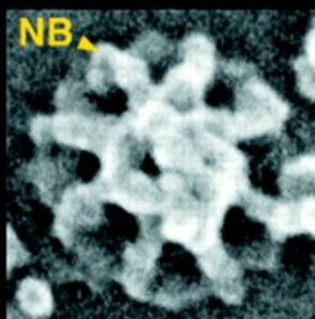
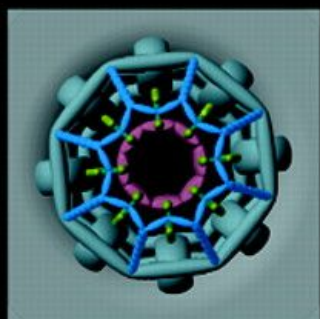
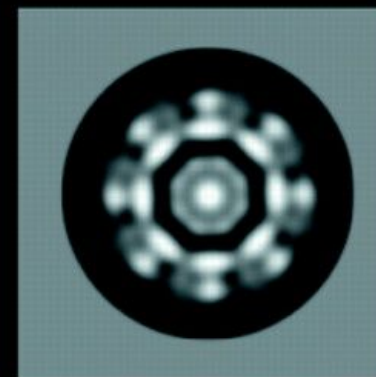
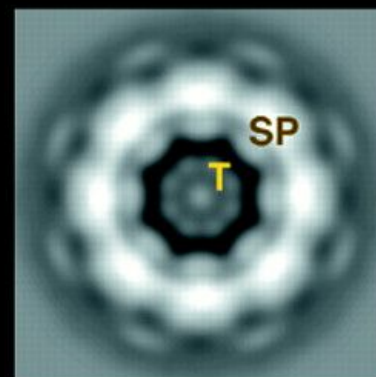
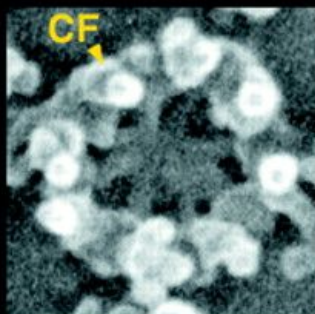
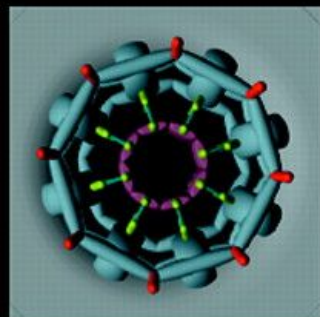
**Nuclear pores are used for import and export.**



**Nuclear pores appear as annular structures by electron microscopy.  
The bar is 0.5 mm. Photograph kindly provided by Ronald Milligan.**

# SEM

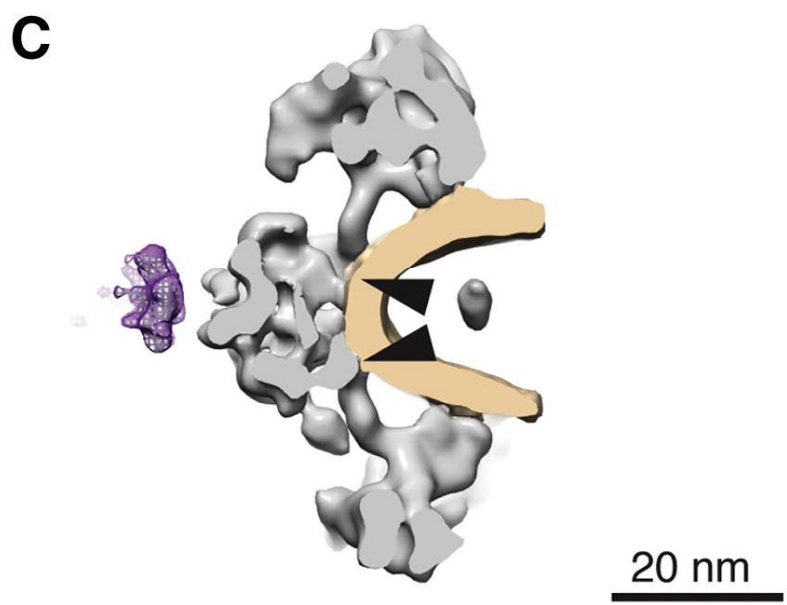
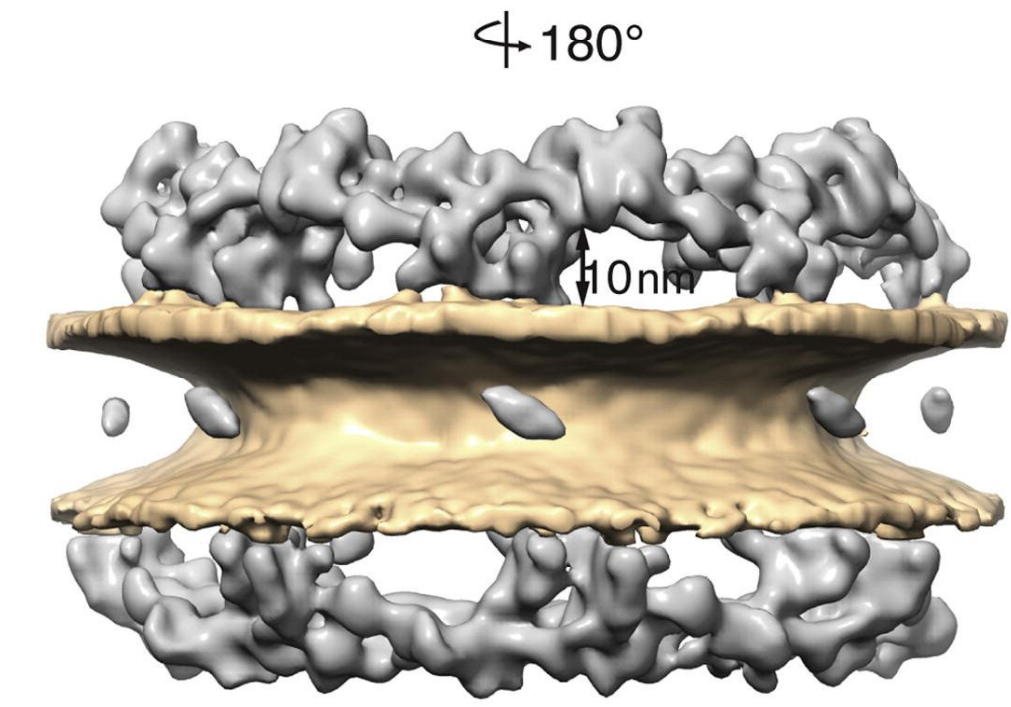
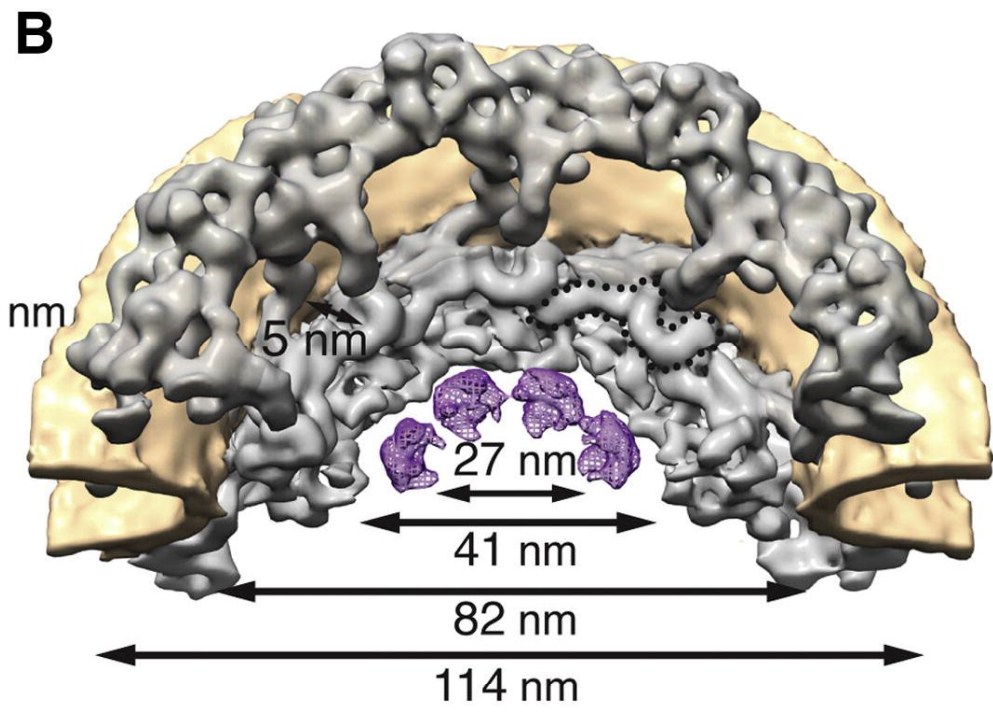
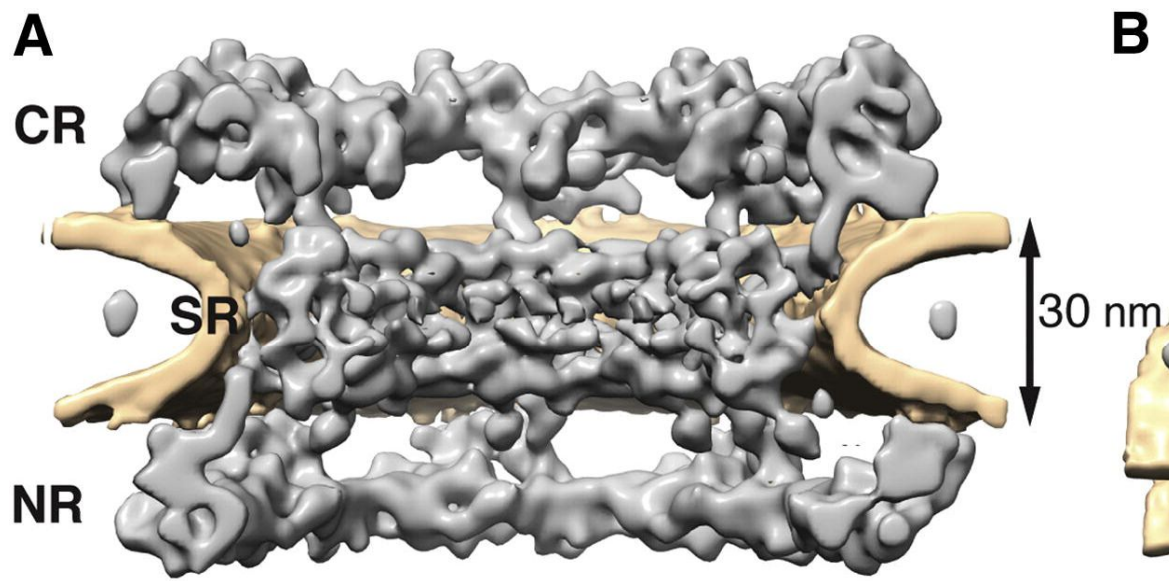
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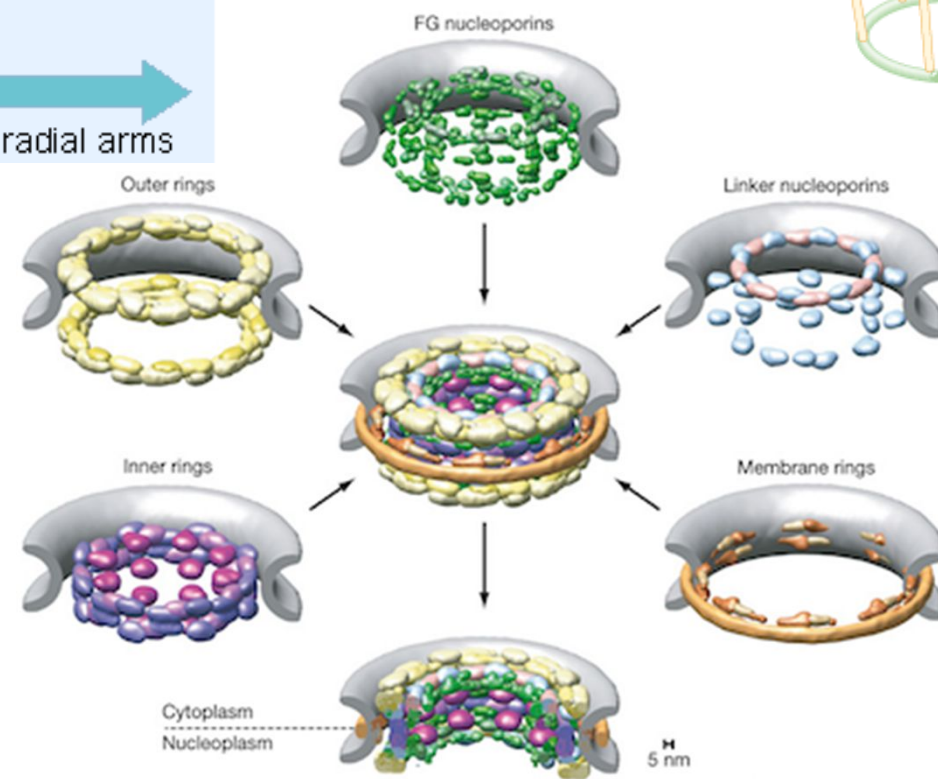
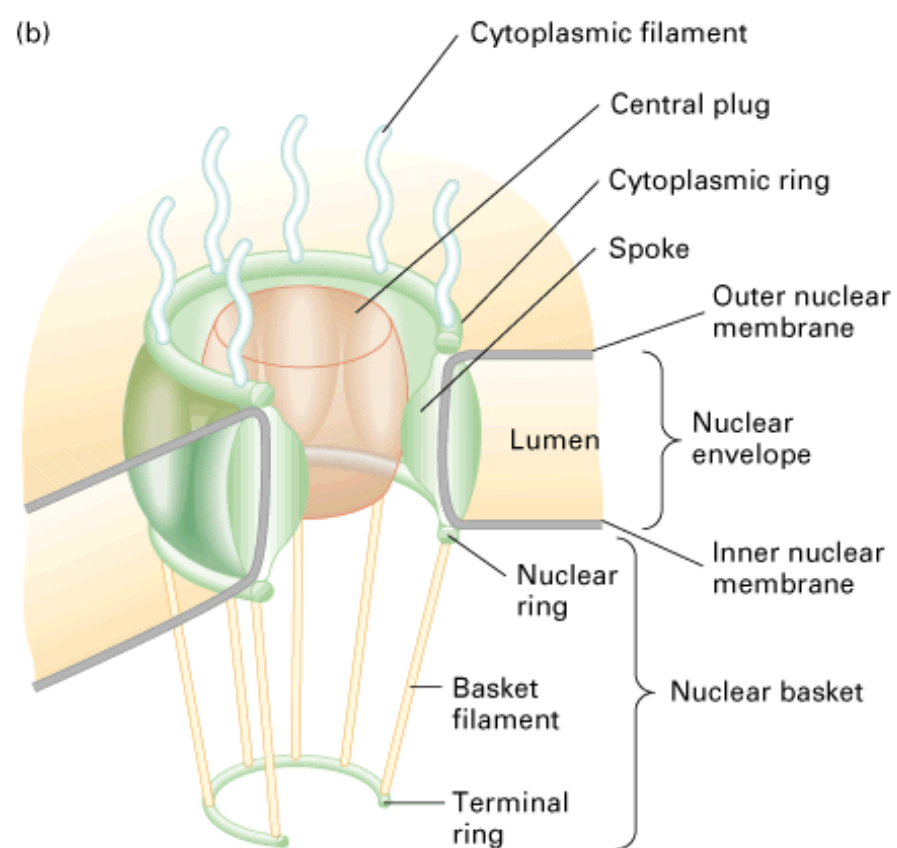
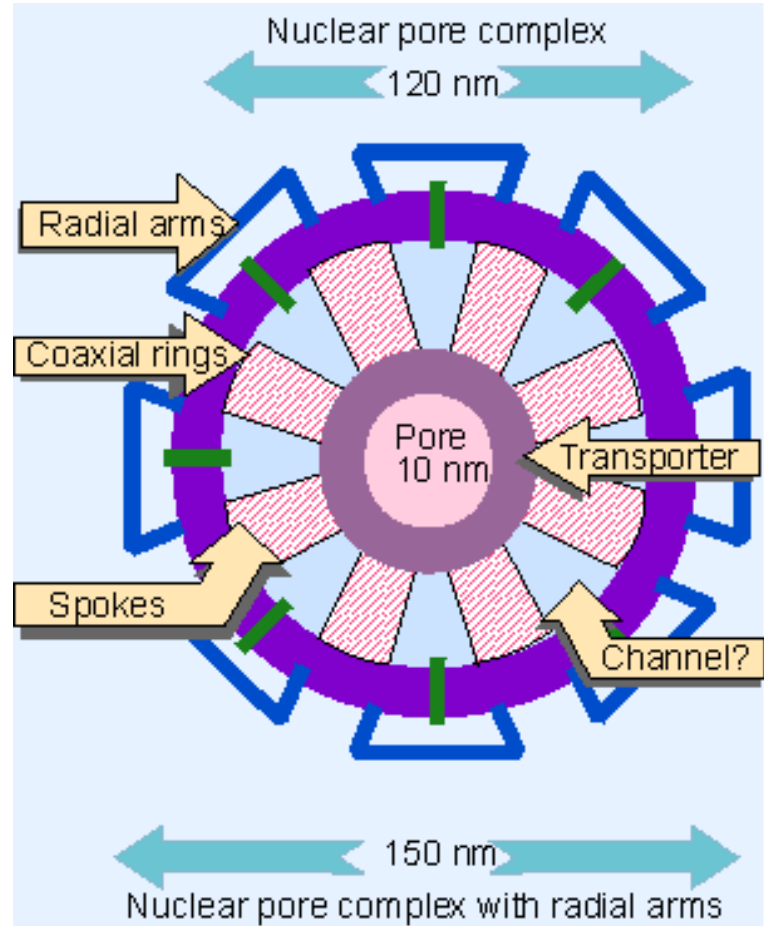


Vertebrate

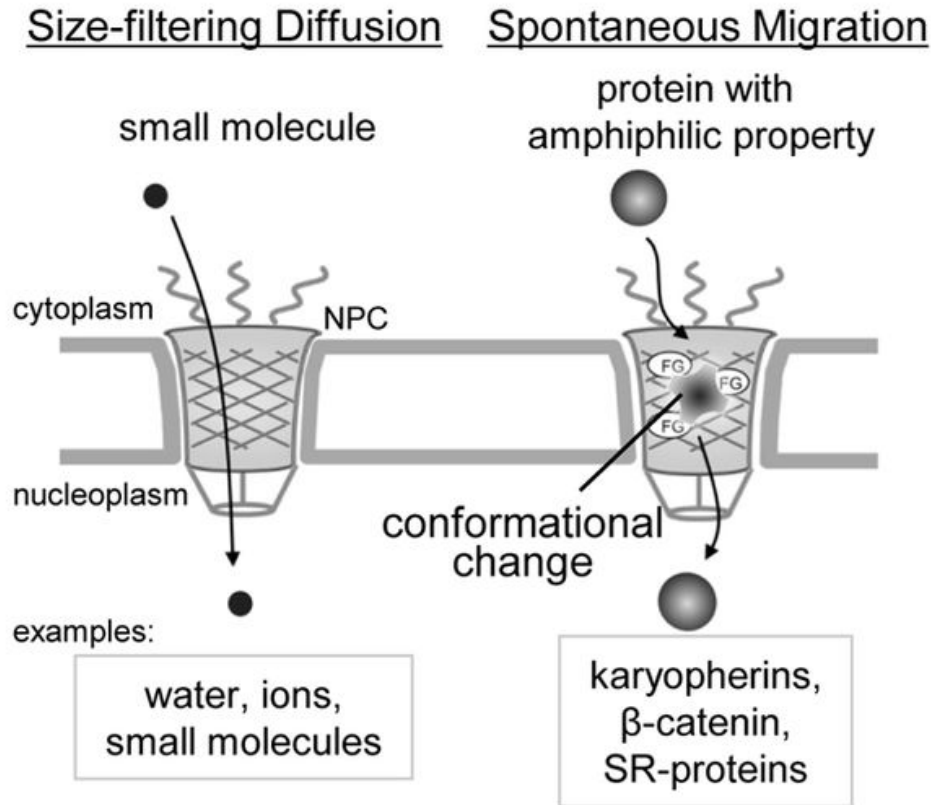
Vertebrate

Yeast





A



B

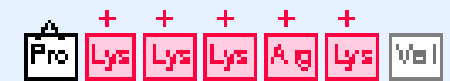
	Size-filtering diffusion	Spontaneous migration	Karyopherin-mediated transport
Size limitation	+	-	-
Change of surface hydrophobicity	-	+	(-)
Transporter	-	-	+
Transport against concentration gradient	-	-	+
Examples	water, ions, small molecules	karyopherins, $\beta$ -catenin, SR-proteins	NLS/NES-proteins



# *Nucleus-cytoplasm transport*

- ***NLS*** (*nuclear localization sequence*) = *amino acidic sequence needed for import to nucleus*
- ***NES*** (*nuclear export sequence*) = *amino acidic sequence needed for export to cytoplasm*

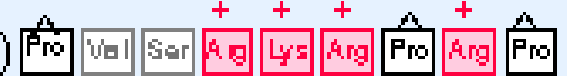
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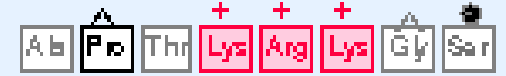
Polyoma T antigen (1)



Polyoma T antigen (2)



SV40 VP1



Nucleoplasmin



### A. Classical Nuclear Localization Signal

SV40 T antigen: 126 **PKKKRKV** 132

Human c-MYC: 320 **PAAKRVKLD** 328

Nucleoplasmin: 155 **KR...X<sub>(10)</sub>...K** 170

### B. Transport Signals of cargos up-regulated by Phosphorylation

EBNA-1 NLS: 379 **KRPRSPSS** 386

HBV core: 149 **VRRDR...X<sub>(17)</sub>...SPRRR** 180

SV40 T antigen: 110 **PSS...X<sub>(7)</sub>...S...X<sub>(5)</sub>...PKKKRKV** 132

STAT1-dsNLS: 378 **RK...X<sub>(30)</sub>...KEQKNAGTR...X<sub>(283)</sub>...Y** 701

ERK5-NLS: 520 **KRRR...X<sub>(8)</sub>...KRR** 535

ERK1/2-NTS: 232 **LDQLNHILGILGSPSQEDL** 250

### C. Transport Signals of cargos down-regulated by Phosphorylation

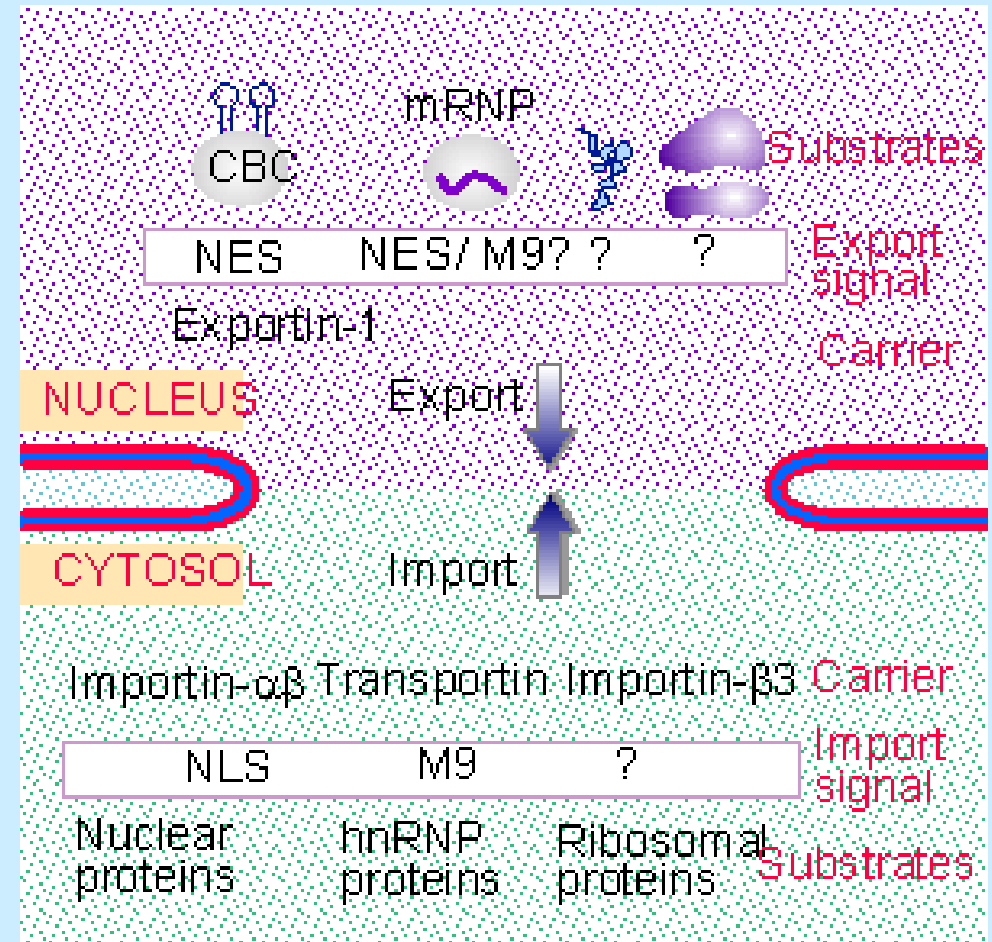
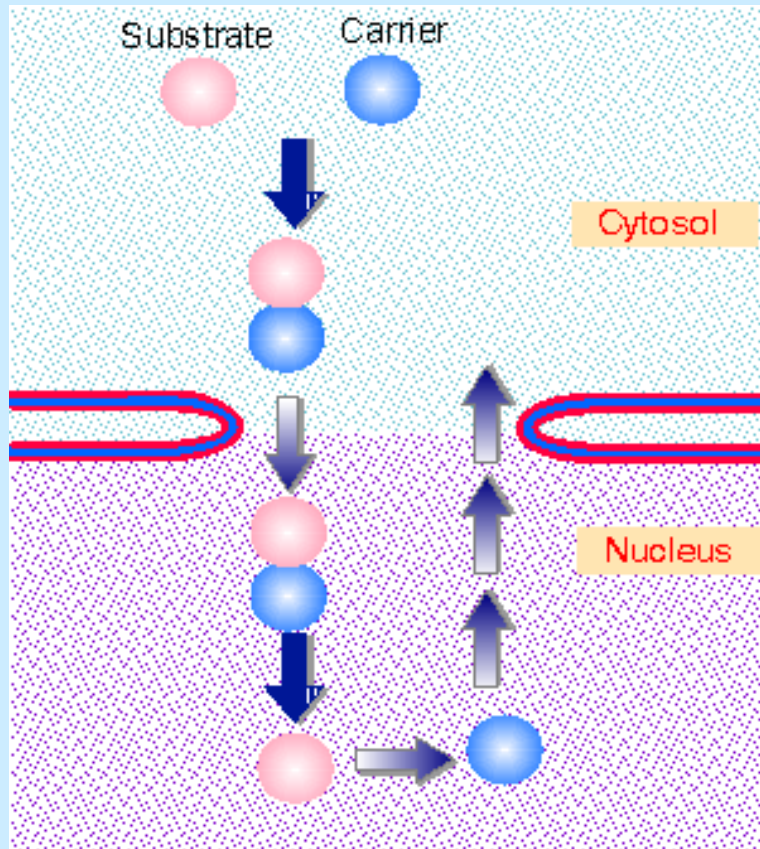
Msn2p: 575 **SSLRRKS...X<sub>(34)</sub>...RRPSYRRKSMTSRRSS** 633

NFATc1: 241 **RSSRPASPCNKRRYS** 641

Pho4-NLS: 140 **SANKVTKNKSNSSPYLNKRKGKPGPDS** 166

PTHrP-ncNLS: 66 **RYLTQETNKVETYKEQPLKTPGKKKKGKP** 94

Swi6: 157 **ELGSPLKCLKIDT** 169



**A carrier protein binds to a substrate, moves with it through the nuclear pore, is released on the other side, and must be returned for reuse. There are multiple pathways for nuclear export and import.**

