

Biology Notes: Mutations

Directions: Fill in the blanks as we cover the topic in the PowerPoint.

Mutations

- **Defined:** Any _____ in an organism's _____
- **Where:** Single _____ or entire _____
 - Some gene mutations _____ phenotype
 - Example: Can cause a _____ stop codon
 - Some gene mutations _____ phenotype.
 - Example: Could be _____ or occur in a non-coding region (meaning area where those nucleotides don't code for an amino acid).
- **When:** Throughout the _____ of the cell

Gene: Point Mutations

- **Defined:** _____ nucleotide is _____ for another
 - Often _____ by spellchecker enzyme
 - May lead to _____ change (*See notes for animation*)

DNA	ACA	GTG	GTC	AAA
mRNA				
tRNA anticodons				
Amino Acid				

- In the table above, what if the DNA letters 'GTG' were mutated to 'GTT':
 - What would the mRNA become? _____
 - What would the tRNA become? _____
 - Which Amino Acid would now be delivered to the ribosome? _____
- May _____ lead to any change (_____ Mutation)
 - Ex: DNA "CCC" is mutated into "CCG" (Then the mRNA "GGG" is mutated to "GGC")
 - _____ amino acid is created (_____)

Point Mutation and Sickle Cell Disease

- Hemoglobin (_____) is made from 574 _____
- _____ cell disease is caused because of _____ wrong _____

Gene: Frame Shift Mutation

- Defined: _____ / _____ of a nucleotide
 - _____ sequence of DNA/RNA after the mutation is shifted (*See notes for animation*)
 - Much more _____ to the structure/function of the final _____
 - mRNA sequence may have an _____ or _____ “stop codon”

Impact on Offspring

- Somatic cell mutations
 - Affect _____ the _____
 - _____ passed on to future _____
 - Ex: _____ cell mutation
- Germ cell mutations
 - Germ cells = the _____ cells that undergo _____ to make sperm & _____
 - _____ be passed to _____ generations

Mutation Causes

- Mutagen: agents in the _____ that can change _____
 - _____ up replication process
 - Break apart _____
- Ex: _____ from sunlight breaks _____ bond between thymine (T) and _____ (A)

Review

1) How are proteins affected if the DNA code is mutated? Example: ATTCGAGG is mutated to ATTCGTGG

2) What is the difference between point mutations & frame shift mutations?

3) When are mutations passed on to future generations? _____

4) What are germ cells?

5) What is a mutagen and how do they cause problems?

6) Are all mutations considered bad/dangerous? Explain.
