

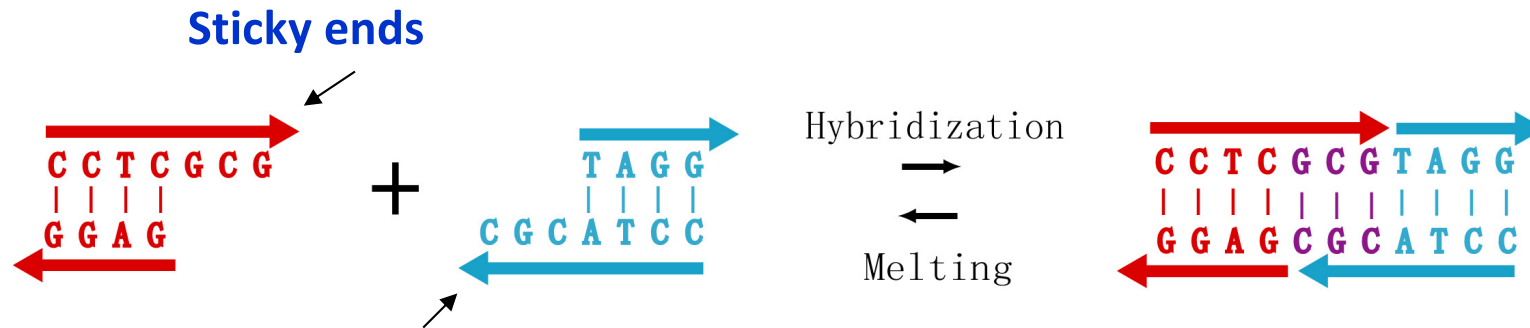
# DNA Enzymes

- **Ligation enzymes**
- **Restriction enzymes**
- **Polymerase enzyme**
- **Strand-displacing polymerases**
- **Helicase enzymes**

## **Discovery and Obtainability:**

- **Most enzymes are proteins discovered in cells.**
- **But DNAzymes were discovered by protocols using In vivo-evolution**
- **Obtainable from Scientific supply companies.**

## DNA Hybridization

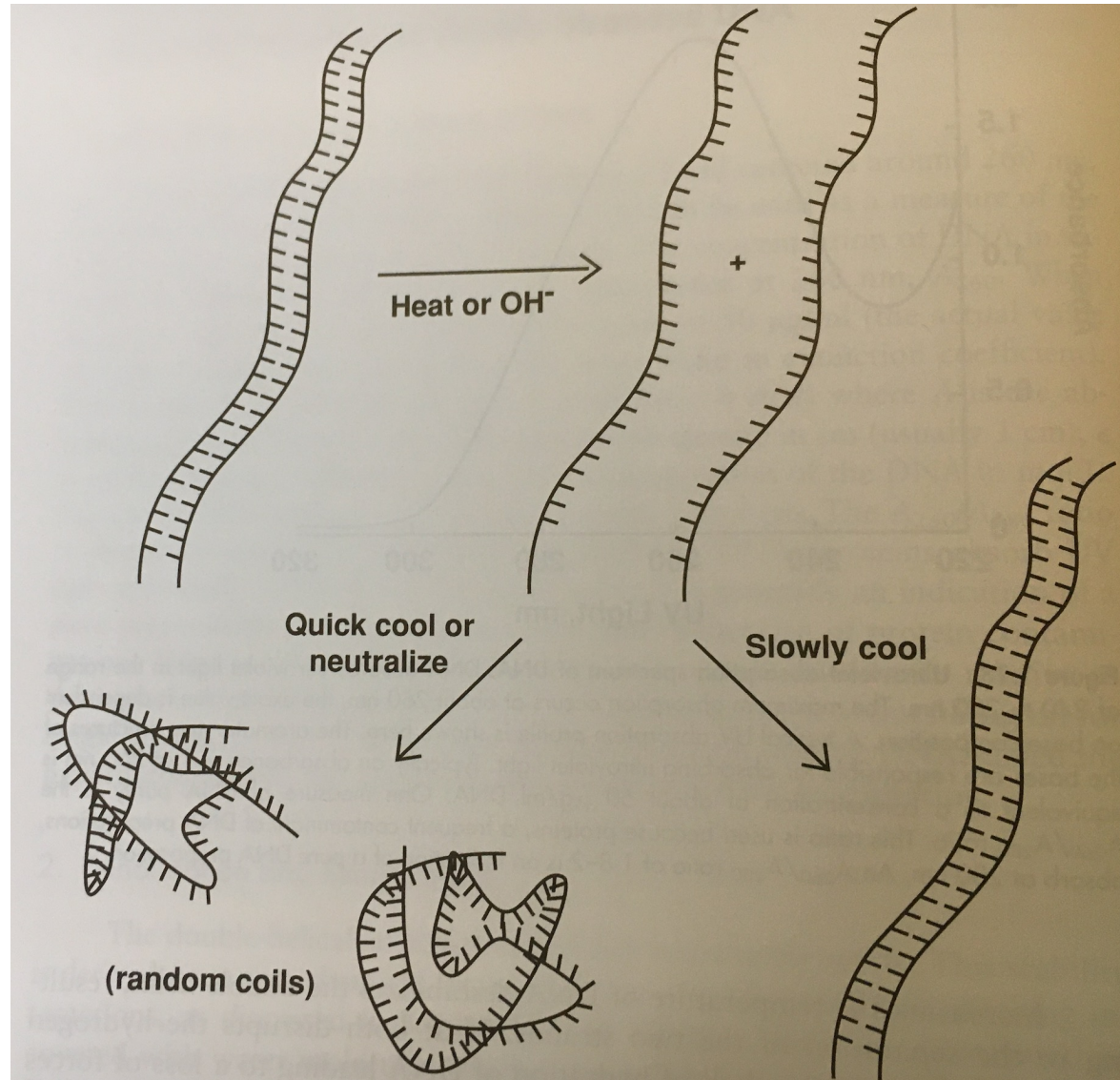


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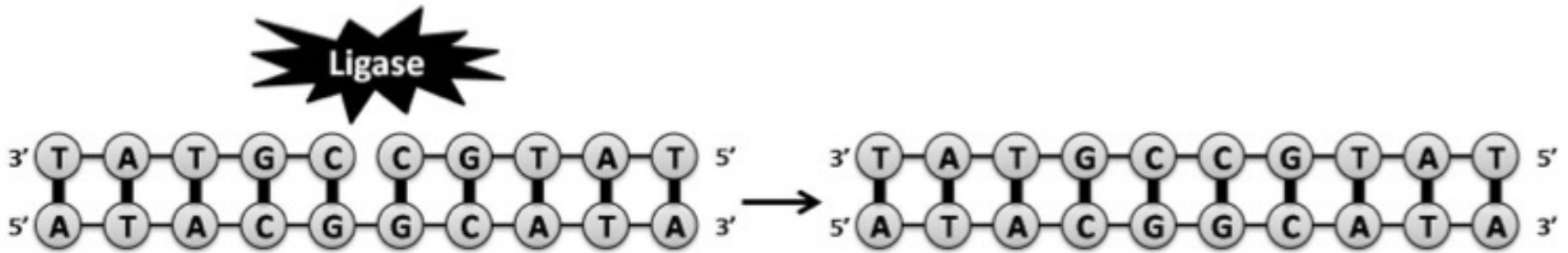
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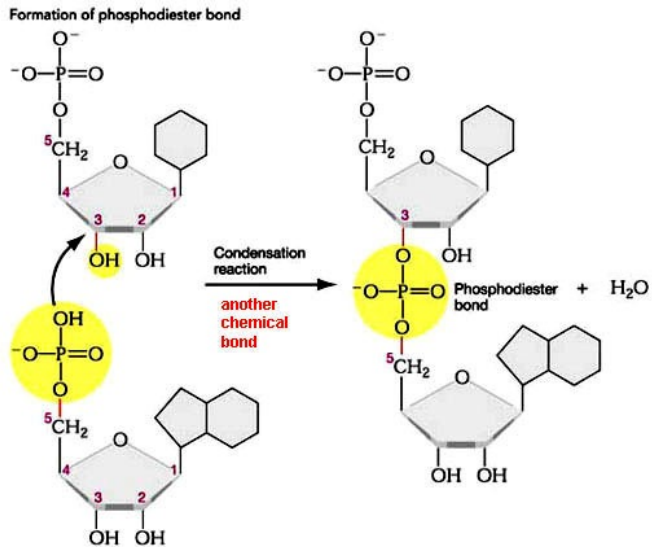


# Ligation:

Ligase – “to bind” or “to glue together”



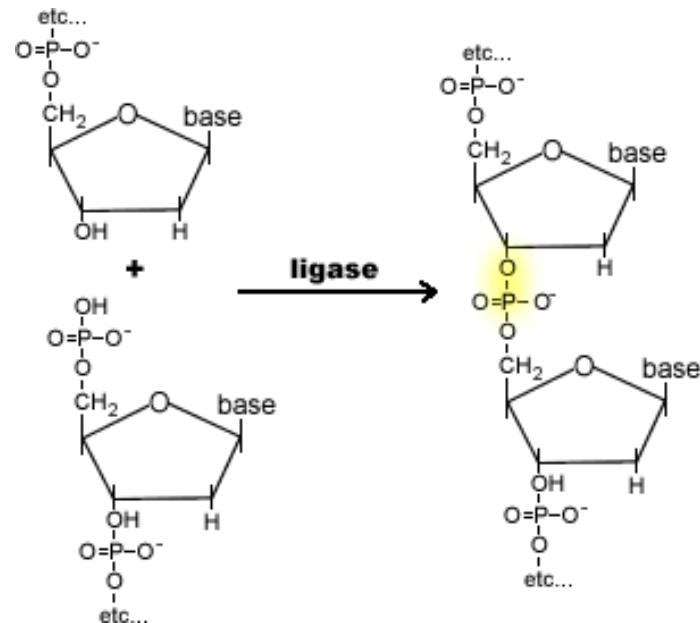
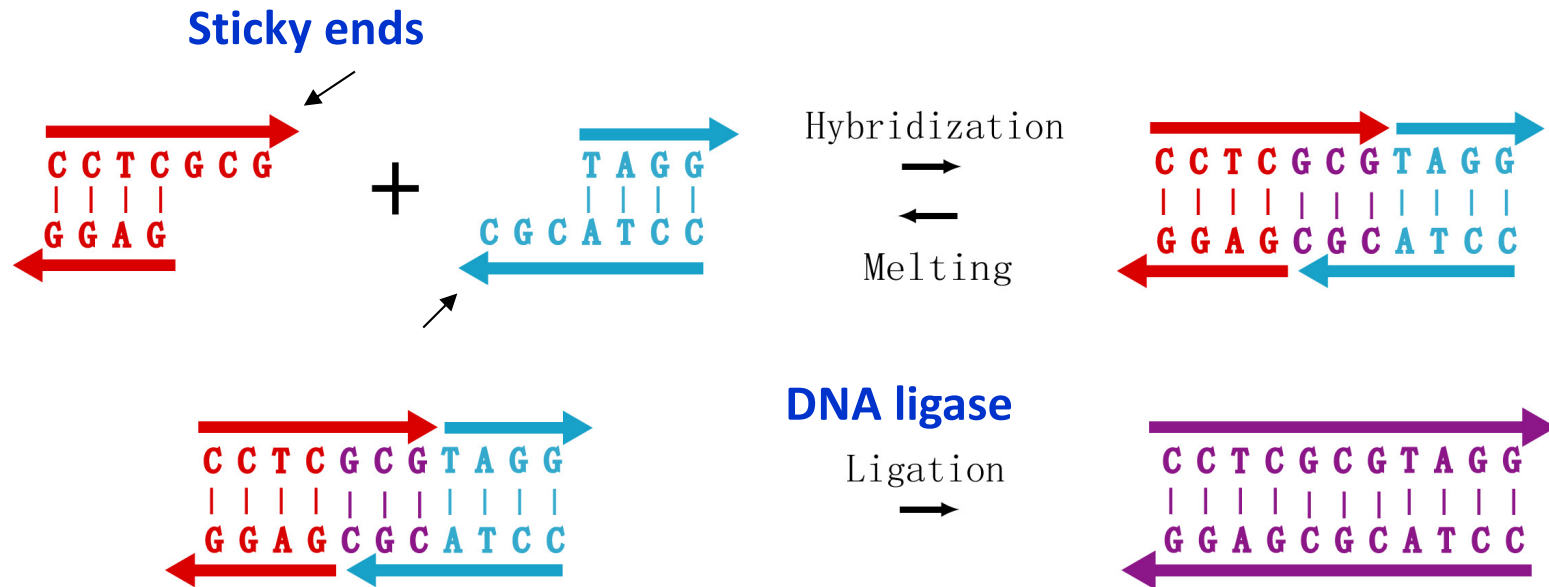
**Ligase healing a single stranded nick.** *Note that the two parts are bound to the same template*



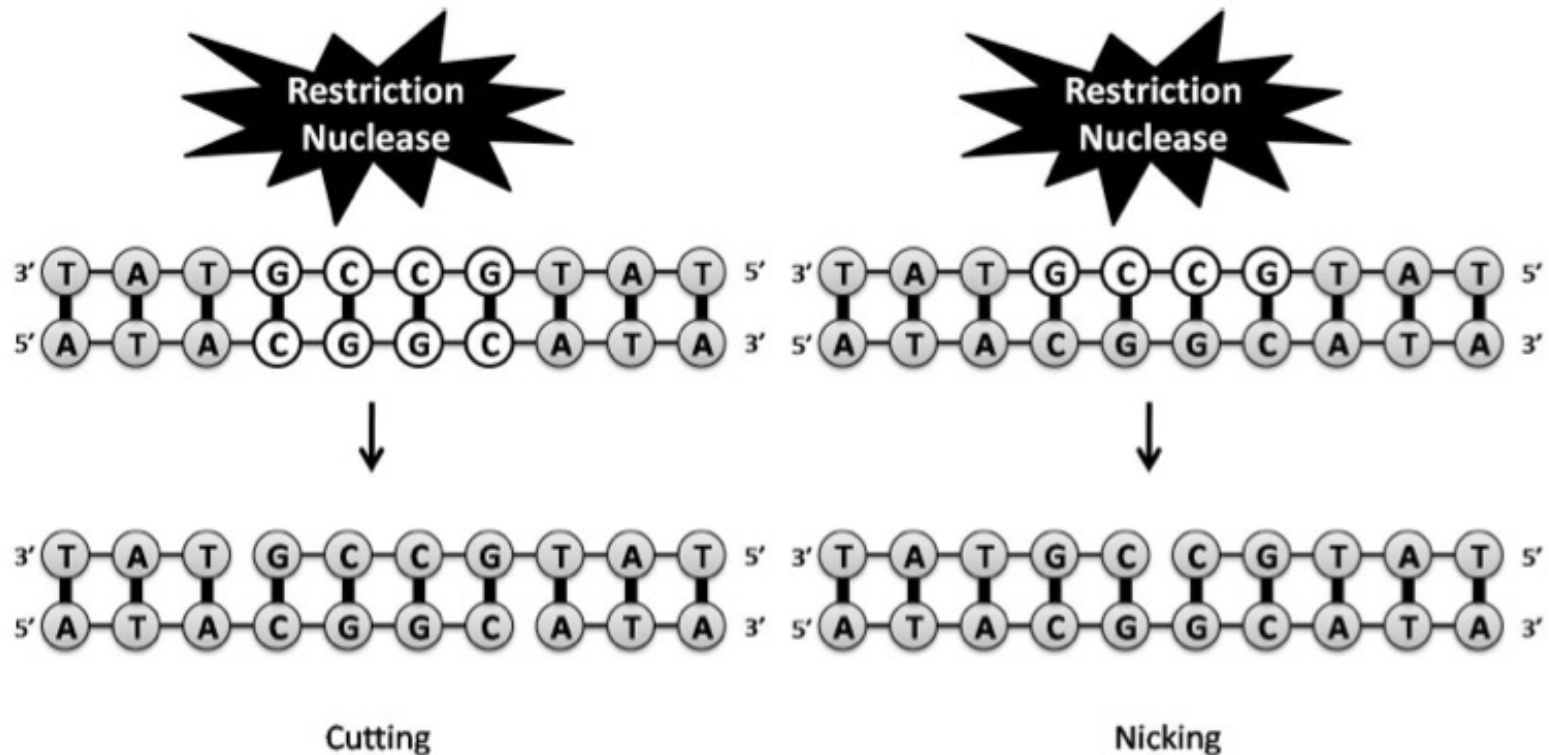
**T4 DNA Ligase** – a single polypeptide, MW ~ 86,000 daltons, (pH 7.5 – 8.0, 10 mM Mg<sup>2+</sup>, DTT, NaCl 200 mM to stop reaction)

[Self-assembled DNA Nanostructures and DNA Devices, Nanofabrication Handbook, Taylor and Francis 2012, with Nikhil Gopalkrishnan, Thom LaBean and John Reif](http://www.bio.miami.edu/dana/pix/phosphodiester.jpg)  
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# DNA Hybridization & Enzyme Ligation activity

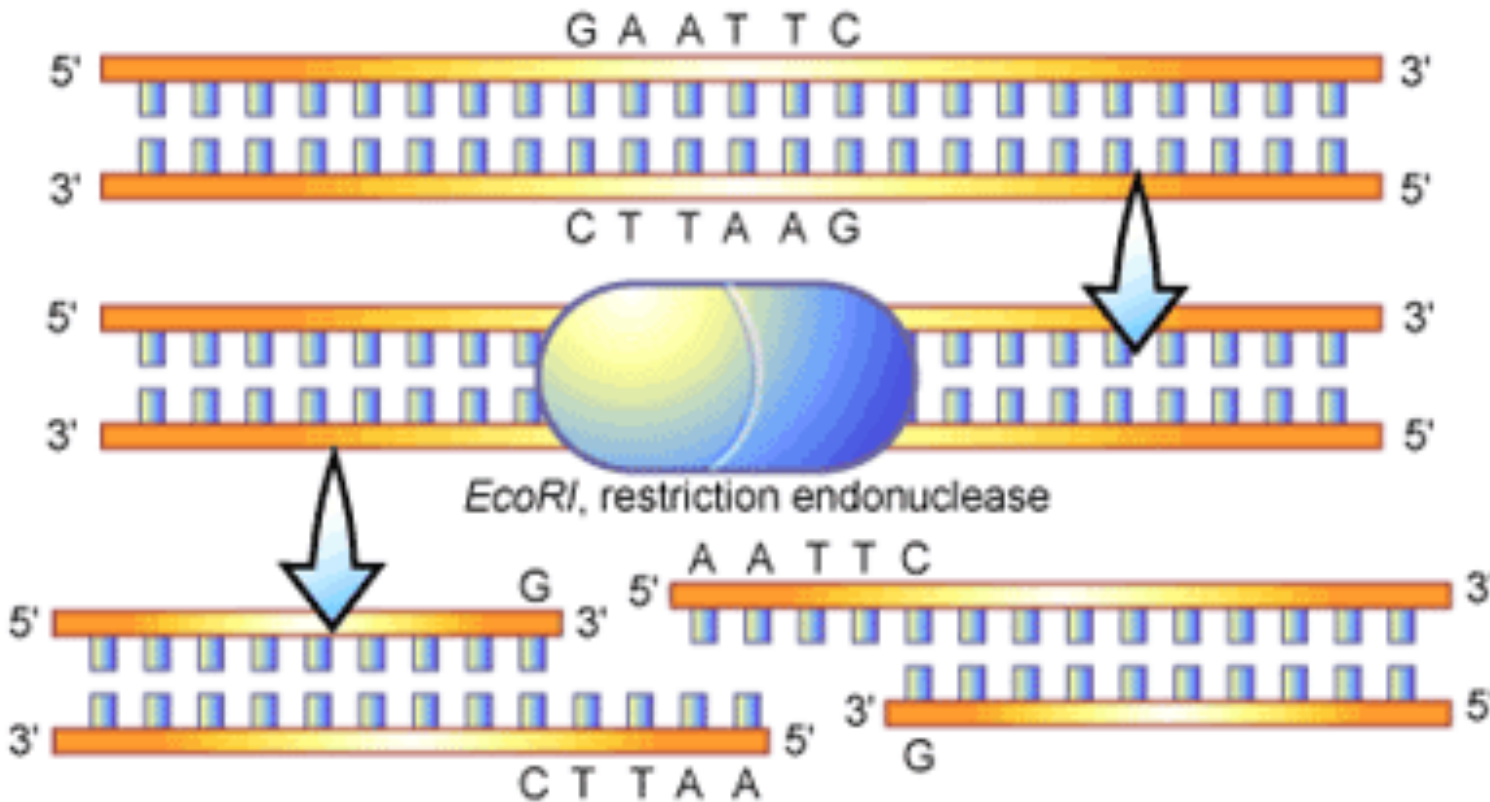
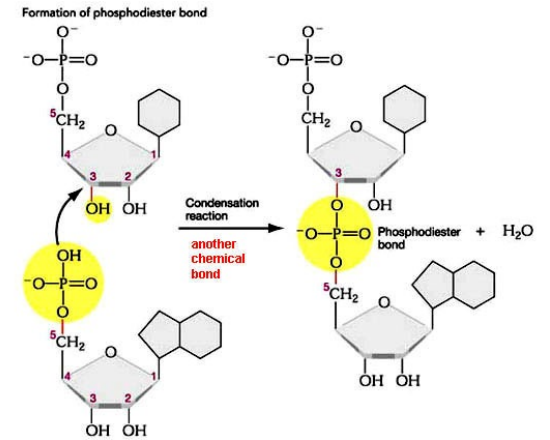


# Restriction Enzymes



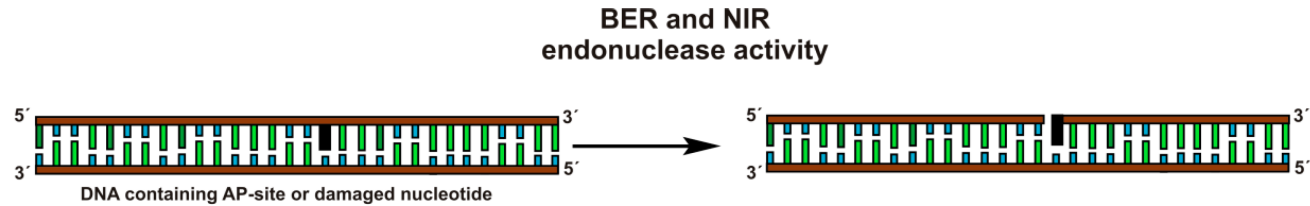
**Example of restriction enzyme cuts of a single stranded DNA sequence. *The subsequence recognized by the nuclease is unshaded***

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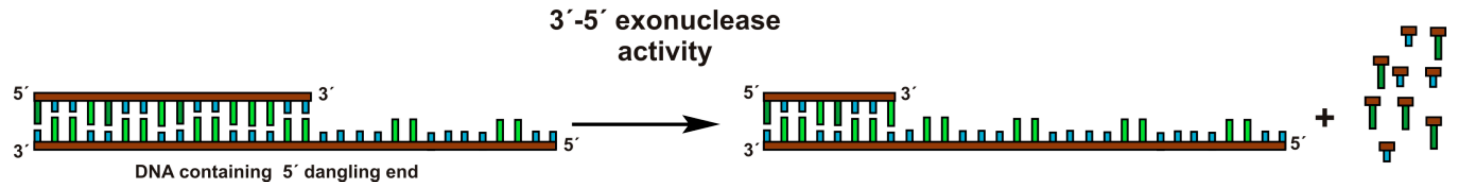


# Exonucleases & Endonucleases

- Endonuclease

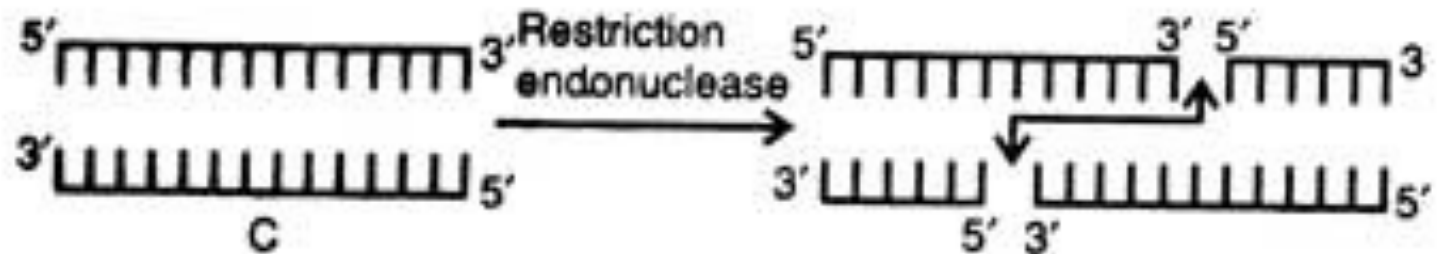


- Exonuclease

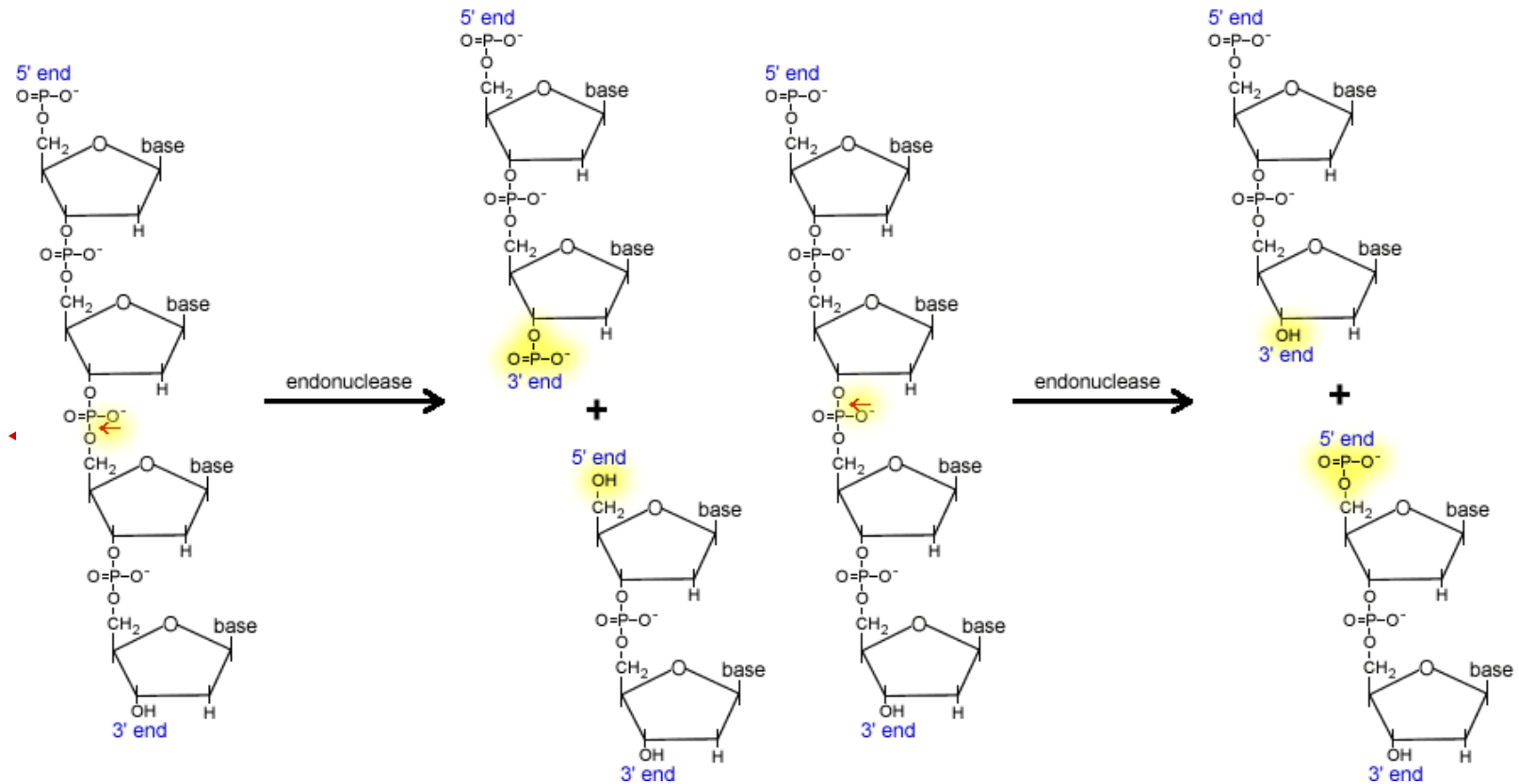


- Restriction Endonucleases

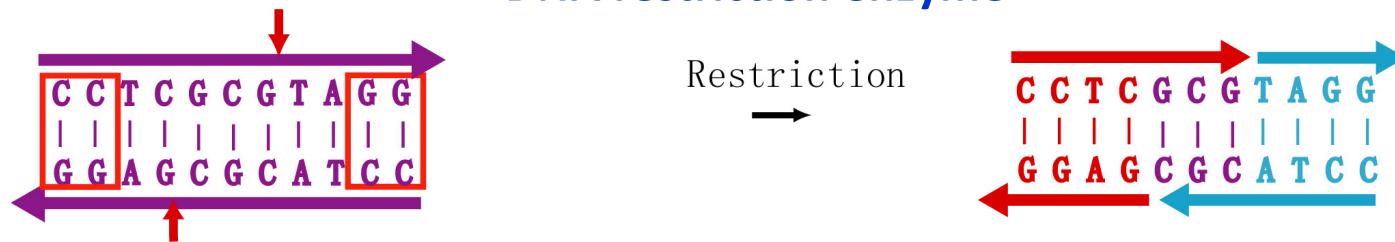
- Type I – cut elsewhere of recognition sites
- Type II – cut within recognition sites



# Restriction enzyme action



## DNA restriction enzyme



# Restriction Enzymes

Some restriction enzymes produce **"sticky" ends**:



Other restriction enzyme's cleavage produces **"blunt" ends**:



# Restriction Endonucleases

- Nicking Enzymes
- Restriction Enzymes

Enzyme	Sequence	Cut Site	Overhang	Properties (NEB Enzymes Only)
BstUI	CGCG	C G/C G G C/G C	blunt	NEB4

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BfaI	CTAG	C/T A G G A T/C	5' - TA	NEB4
CviQI	GTAC	G/T A C C A T/G	5' - TA	RR  NEB3 BSA

Enzyme	Sequence	Cut Site	Overhang	Properties (NEB Enzymes Only)
AclI	CCGC	C/C G C G G C/G	5' - CG	RR  NEB3
BmgBI	CACGTC	C A C/G T C G T G/C A G	blunt	RR  NEB3 BSA



# Programmable Restriction Enzymes from CRISPR Systems

Cas proteins [Jansen et al 2002]:

## Programmable Restriction Enzymes from CRISPR systems.

- CRISPR are natural systems for cellular repair: They fix the breaks in the cell's nucleic acids, allowing for gene insertion, deletion, or modification. They act like molecular scissors for gene editing.
- They use guide RNA (gRNA) to find and cut specific DNA or RNA sequences.
- The gRNA base-pairs with the target sequence of a nucleic acid, guiding the Cas enzyme to create a double-strand break (DSB) or other modifications

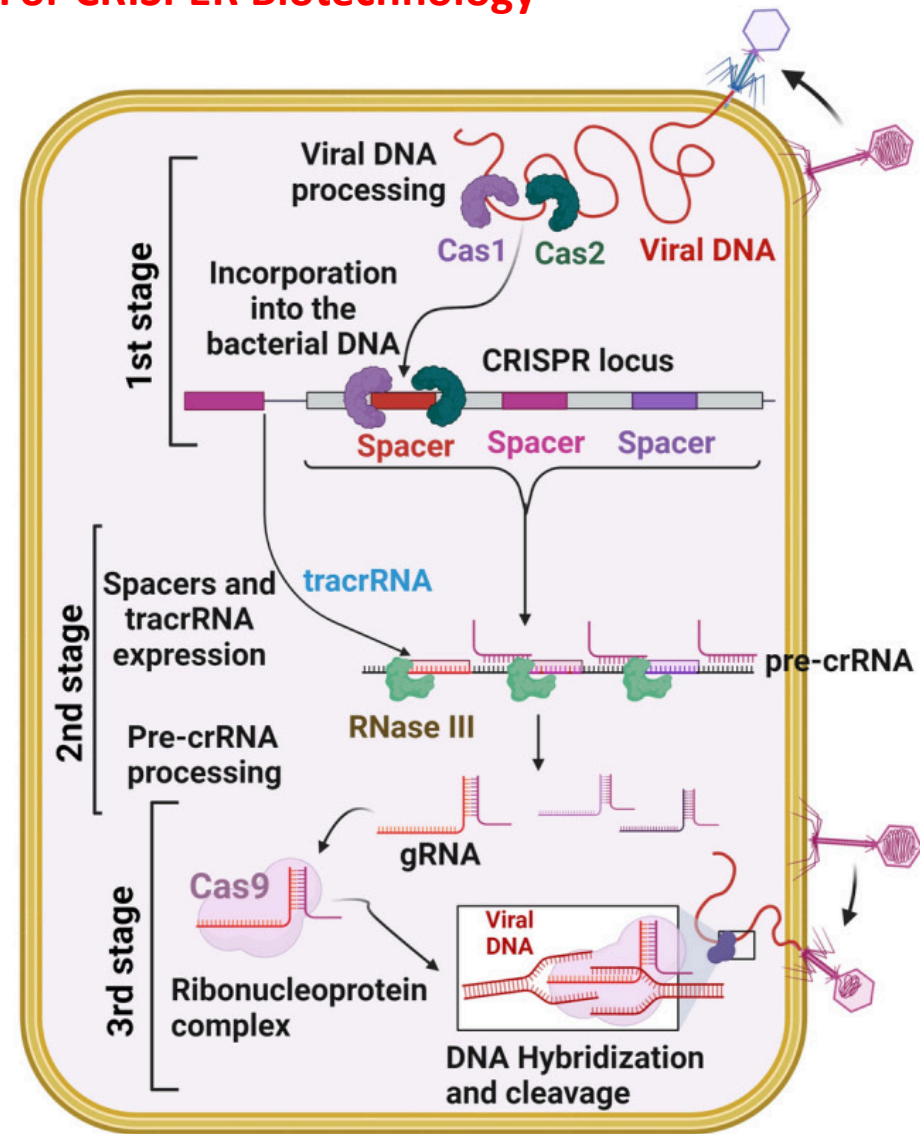
## Example Cas proteins:

- Cas9 cuts targeted sites of DNA
- Cas13 cuts targeted sites of RNA

## Significance: [2005]

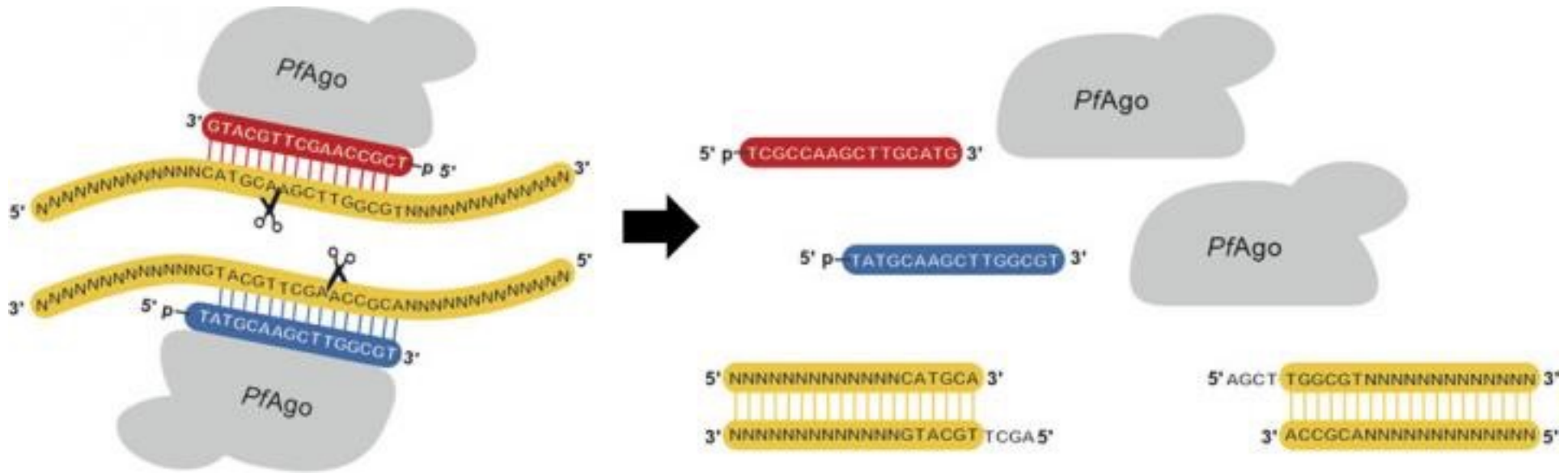
- Restriction enzymes have fixed recognition sites,
- Cas systems can be programmed with any gRNA to target virtually any DNA sequence.
- Enables precise gene editing for research, diagnostics, and potential medical therapies.

2020 Nobel Prize in Chemistry: awarded to Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer Doudna For CRISPER Biotechnology



Edwin Hillary 1, S Antony Ceasar, A Review on the Mechanism and Applications of CRISPR/Cas9/Cas12/Cas13/Cas14 Proteins Utilized for Genome Engineering V 1 Mol Biotecnol 2022

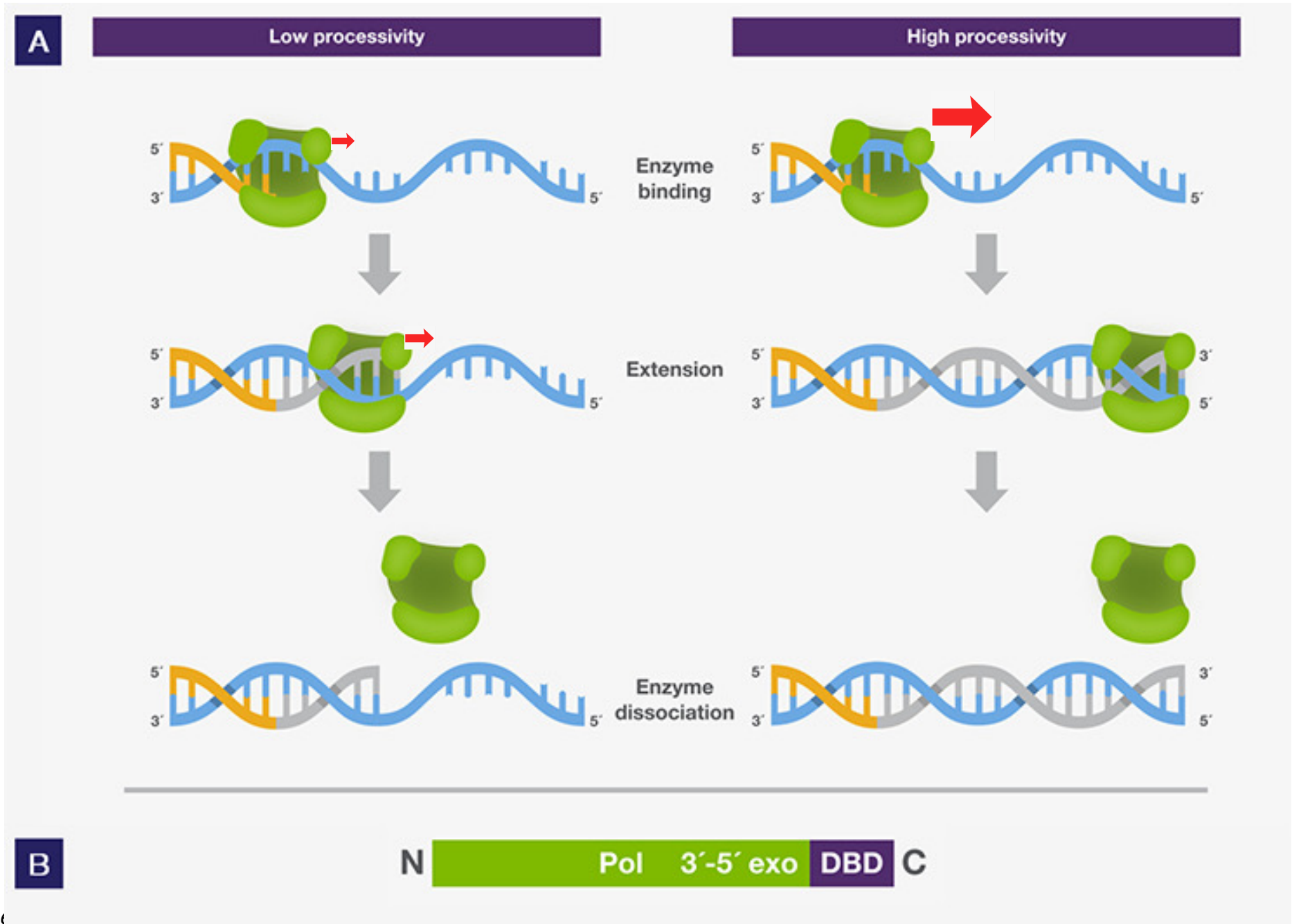
# Artificial Restriction Enzymes (AREs)



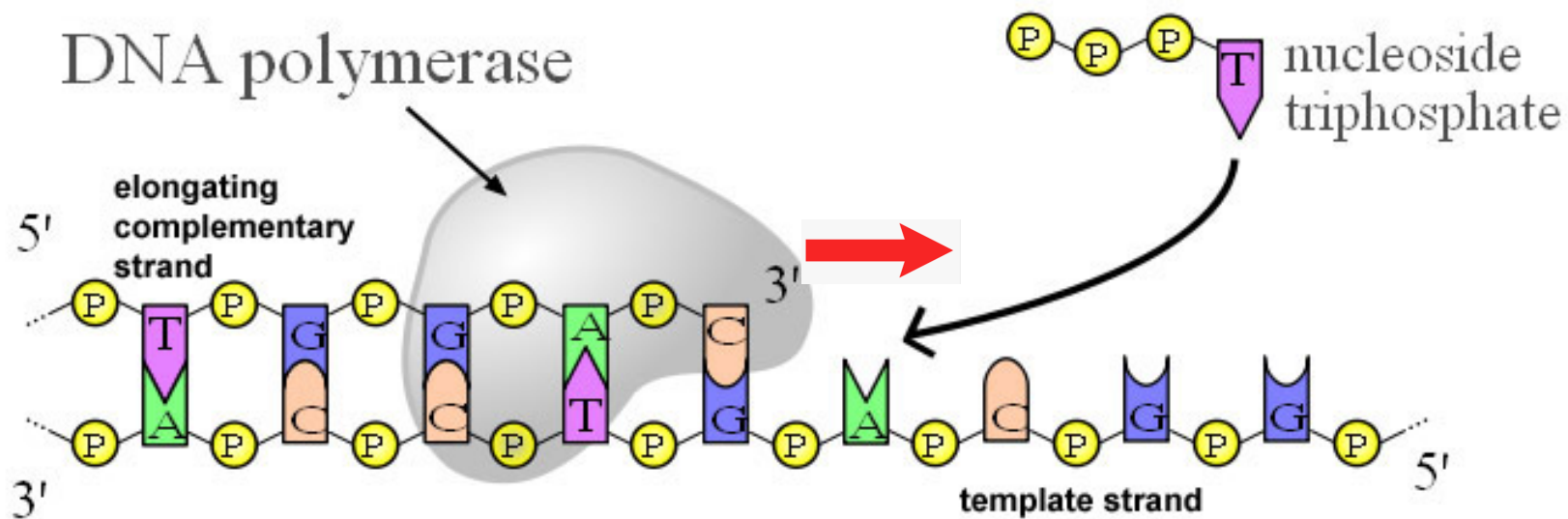
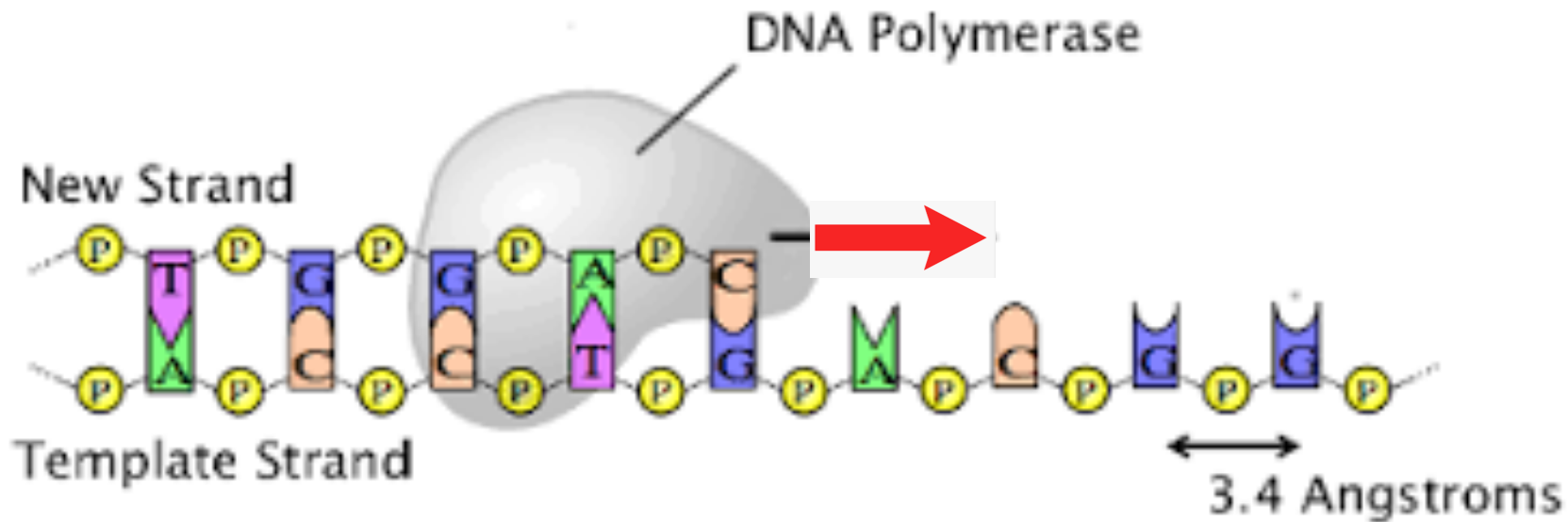
- The *Pyrococcus furiosus* Argonaute (PfAgo)-based platform provides generation of artificial restriction enzymes (AREs) which can be programmed to:
  - Recognize and cleave DNA sequences at arbitrary sites and
  - Generate defined sticky ends of varying length.

*Behnam Enghiad and Huimin Zhao, "Programmable DNA-Guided Artificial Restriction Enzymes", ACS Synthetic Biology, 2017*

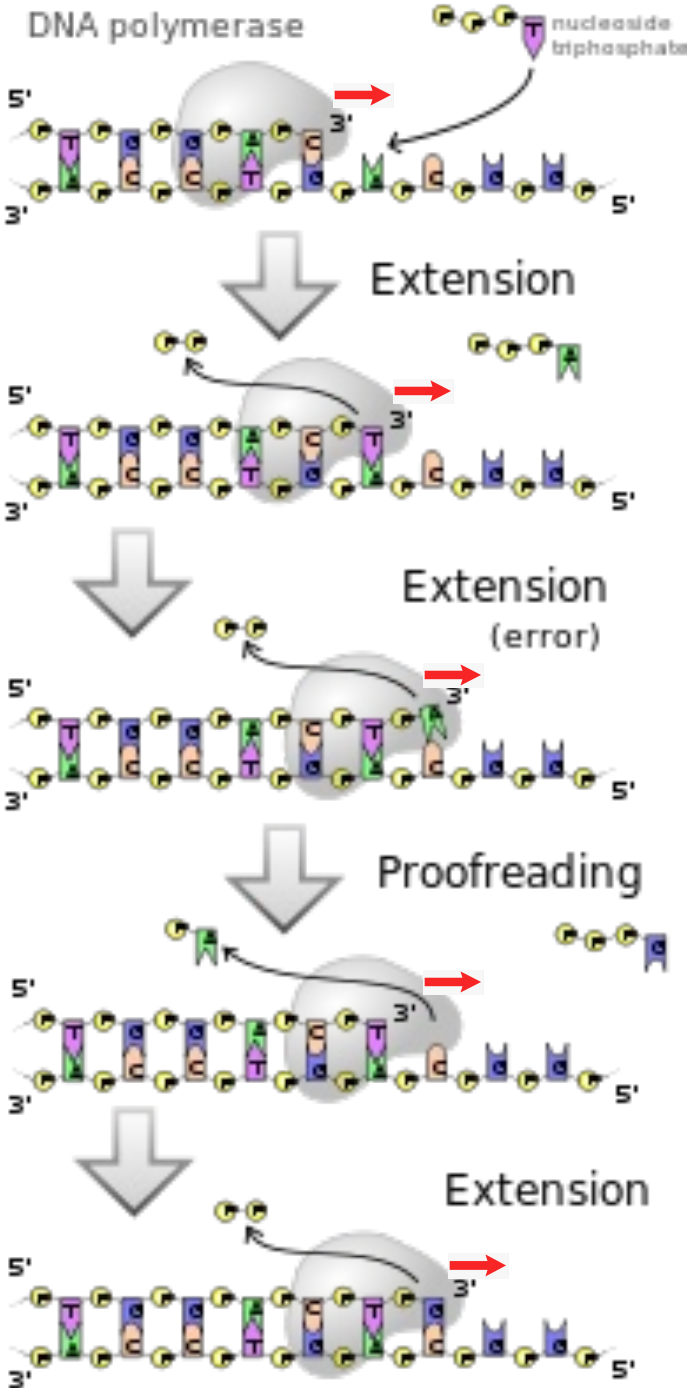
# Polymerization



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# Polymerization

- Denaturation of target (template)
  - Usually 95°C
- Annealing of primers
  - Temperature of annealing is dependent on the G+C content
  - May be high (no mismatch allowed) or low (allows some mismatch) stringency
- Extension (synthesis) of new strand

# Discovery of Thermostable DNA Polymerases: At hot springs Yellowstone National Park



# Discovery of Thermostable DNA Polymerases: Deep Sea Vents



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# Thermostable Polymerases

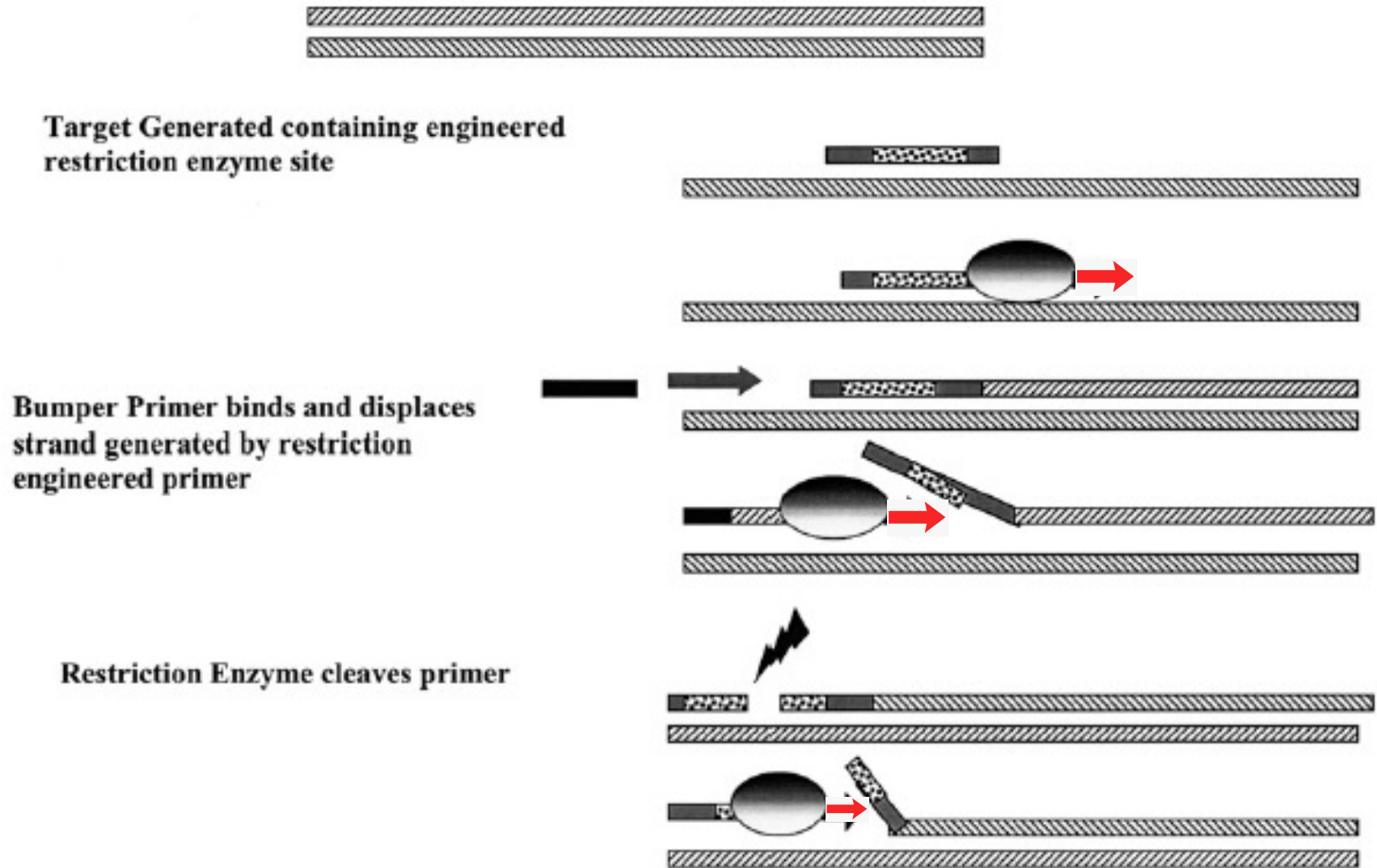
<b>Polymerase</b>	<b>T<sup>1/2</sup>, 95°C</b>	<b>Extension Rate (nt/sec)</b>	<b>Type of ends</b>	<b>Source</b>
<i>Taq pol</i>	40 min	75	3'A	<i>T. aquaticus</i>
Amplitaq (Stoffel fragment)	80 min	>50	3'A	<i>T. aquaticus</i>
Vent*	400 min	>80	95% blunt	<i>Thermococcus litoralis</i>
Deep Vent*	1380 min	?	95% blunt	<i>Pyrococcus GB-D</i>
Pfu	>120 min	60	Blunt	<i>Pyrococcus furiosus</i>
Tth* (RT activity)	20 min	>33	3'A	<i>T. thermophilus</i>

\*Have proof-reading functions and can generate products over 30 kbp

# Thermostable Polymerases

- *Taq*: *Thermus aquaticus* (most commonly used)
  - Sequenase: *T. aquaticus* YT-1
  - Restorase (*Taq* + repair enzyme)
- *Tfl*: *T. flavus*
- *Tth*: *T. thermophilus* HB-8
- *Tli*: *Thermococcus litoralis*
- *Carbo*: *Carbothermus hydrothermalis* (RT-PCR)
- *P. kodakaraensis* (*Thermococcus*) (rapid synthesis)
- *Pfu*: *Pyrococcus furiosus* (fidelity)
  - Fused to DNA binding protein for processivity

# Strand Displacement Polymerases



# Example

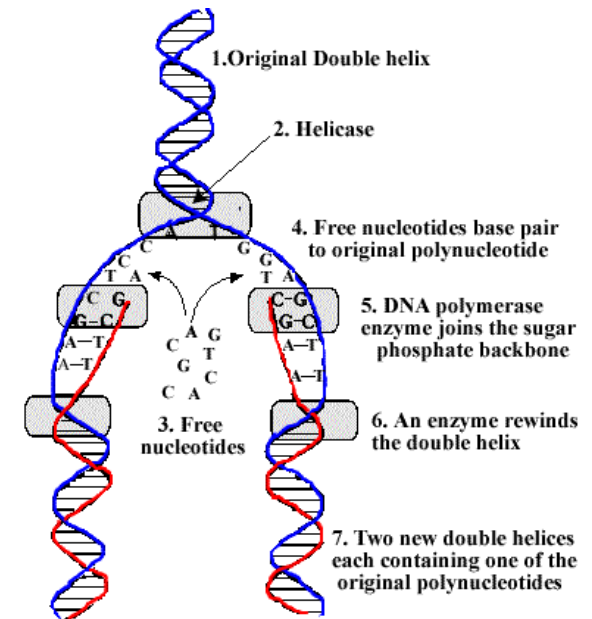
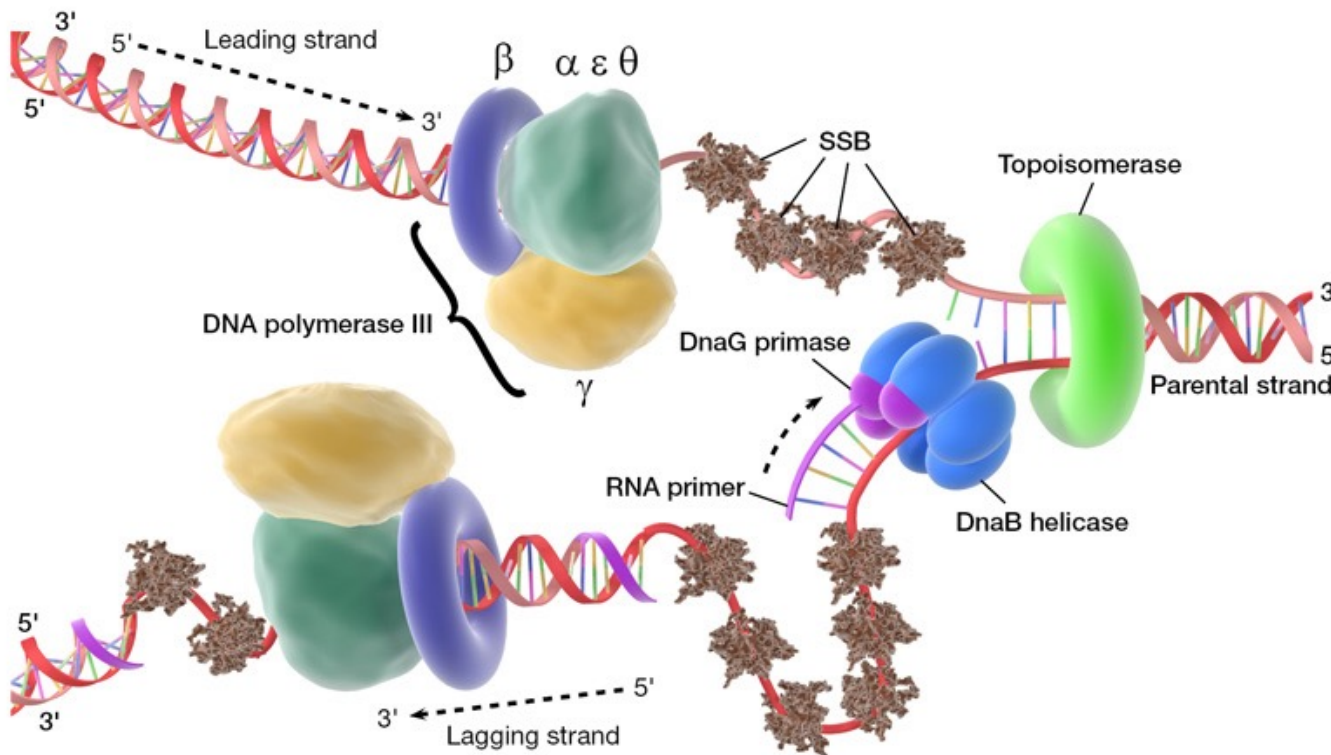
## Strand Displacement Polymerases

- Phi20 (active 20-37°C)
- Bst (active 65°C)

# Helicase Enzymes

- Helicase enzymes are motor proteins that moving along a DNA double helix to denature its structure (unwind the double helix) independent of temperature.
- In particular, helicase enzymes directionally break hydrogen bonds between base pairing in DNA double helix.
- [Animation of Helicase Unwinding the DNA Double Helix:](#)

<https://study.com/academy/lesson/how-helicase-unwinds-the-dna-double-helix-in-preparation-for-replication.html>



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