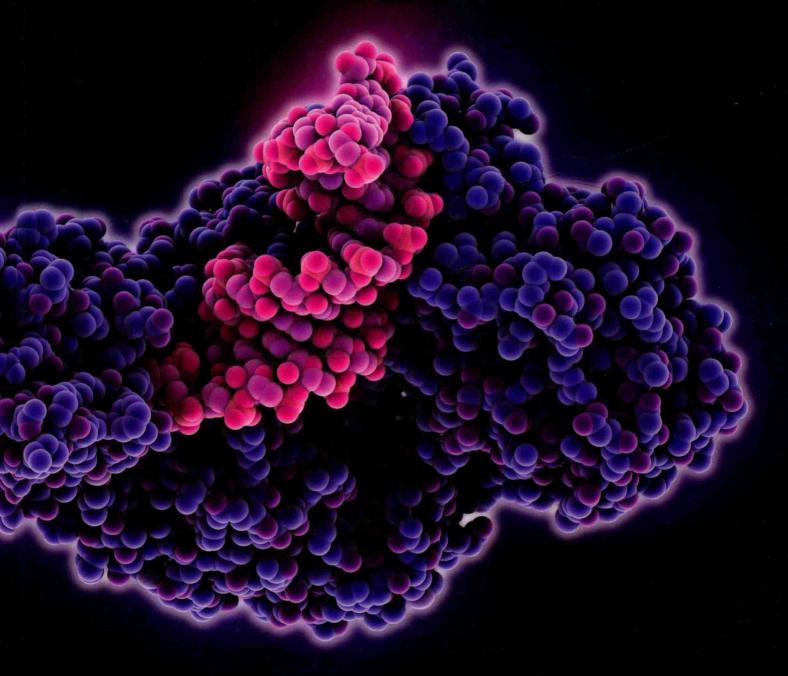
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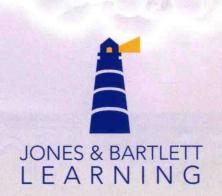
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PREFACE

Of the diverse ways to study the living world, molecular biology has been most remarkable in the speed and breadth of its expansion. New data are acquired daily, and new insights into well-studied processes come on a scale measured in weeks or months rather than years. It's difficult to believe that the first complete organismal genome sequence was obtained a little over 20 years ago. The structure and function of genes and genomes and their associated cellular processes are sometimes elegantly and deceptively simple but frequently amazingly complex, and no single book can do justice to the realities and diversities of natural genetic systems.

This book is aimed at advanced students in molecular genetics and molecular biology. In order to provide the most current understanding of the rapidly changing subjects in molecular biology, we have enlisted leading scientists to provide revisions and content updates in their individual fields of expertise. Their expert knowledge has been incorporated throughout the text. Much of the revision and reorganization of this edition follows that of the third edition of Lewin's Essential GENES, but there are many updates and features that are new to this book. This edition follows a logical flow of topics; in particular, discussion of chromatin organization and nucleosome structure precedes the discussion of eukaryotic transcription, because chromosome organization is critical to all DNA transactions in the cell, and current research in the field of transcriptional regulation is heavily biased toward the study of the role of chromatin in this process. Many new figures are included in this book, some reflecting new developments in the field, particularly in the topics of chromatin structure and function, epigenetics, and regulation by noncoding RNA and microRNAs in eukaryotes.

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interrupted structures of eukaryotic genes, and Chapters 4 through 6 discuss genome structure and evolution. Chapters 7 and 8 discuss the structure of eukaryotic chromosomes.

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Part IV (Gene Regulation) comprises Chapters 24 through 30. In Chapter 24, the regulation of bacterial gene expression via operons is discussed. Chapter 25 covers the regulation of expression of genes during phage development as they infect bacterial cells. Chapters 26 through 28 cover eukaryotic gene regulation, including epigenetic modifications. Finally, Chapters 29 and 30 cover RNA-based control of gene expression in prokaryotes and eukaryotes.

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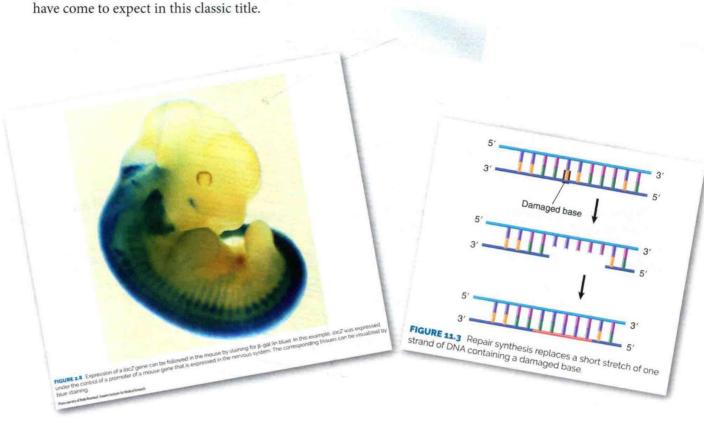
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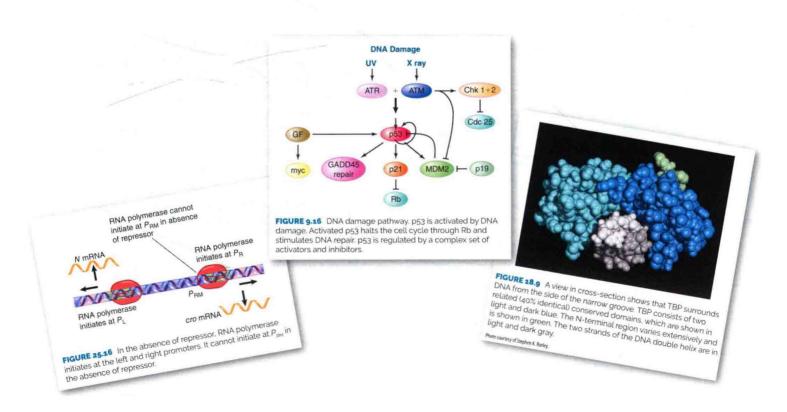
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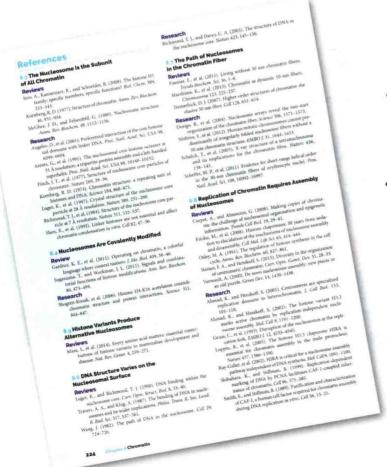
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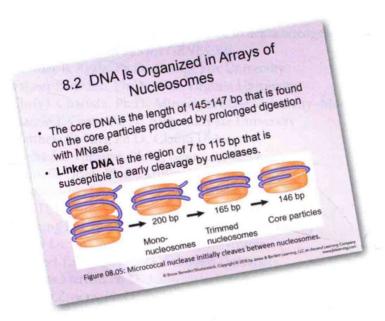


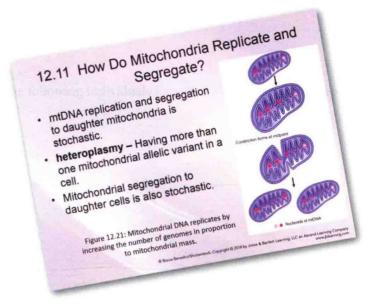
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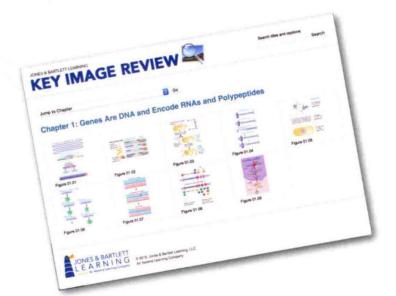
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