

molecular biotechnology

Principles and Applications of Recombinant DNA



FIFTH EDITION

molecular biotechnology

Principles and Applications of Recombinant DNA

Bernard R. Glick

Department of Biology, University of Waterloo Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

Cheryl L. Patten

Biology Department, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada



Copyright © 2017 American Society for Microbiology. All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced or transmitted in whole or in part or reused in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including photocopying and recording, or by any information storage and retrieval system, without permission in writing from the publisher.

Disclaimer: To the best of the publisher's knowledge, this publication provides information concerning the subject matter covered that is accurate as of the date of publication. The publisher is not providing legal, medical, or other professional services. Any reference herein to any specific commercial products, procedures, or services by trade name, trademark, manufacturer, or otherwise does not constitute or imply endorsement, recommendation, or favored status by the American Society for Microbiology (ASM). The views and opinions of the author(s) expressed in this publication do not necessarily state or reflect those of ASM, and they shall not be used to advertise or endorse any product.

Library of Congress Cataloging-in-Publication Data

Names: Glick, Bernard R., author. | Patten, Cheryl L., author. Title: Molecular biotechnology: principles and applications of recombinant DNA / Bernard R. Glick, Cheryl L. Patten.

Description: 5th edition. | Washington, DC: ASM Press, [2017] Identifiers: LCCN 2017011321 | ISBN 9781555819361 (hardcover)

Subjects: LCSH: Biotechnology. | Genetic engineering. | Molecular biology. Classification: LCC TP248.2 .G58 2017 | DDC 660.6—dc23

LC record available at https://lccn.loc.gov/2017011321

All Rights Reserved Printed in Canada

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Address editorial correspondence to ASM Press, 1752 N Street NW Washington, DC 20036-2904, USA

Send orders to ASM Press, P.O. Box 605, Herndon, VA 20172, USA Phone: 800-546-2416; 703-661-1593
Fax: 703-661-1501
E-mail: books@asmusa.org
Online: http://www.asmscience.org

Cover illustration: Terese Winslow, CMI
Cover and interior design: Susan Brown Schmidler
Illustrations: Patrick Lane, ScEYEnce Studios
Cover Photo Credits
Plant - © KYTan/Shutterstock.com
Cells - © Jurlk Peter/Shutterstock.com
Pills - © RidvanArda/Shutterstock.com
Copper Bubbles - © tucsonazrealestateblog.com

FIFTH EDITION

molecular biotechnology

Principles and Applications of Recombinant DNA

The two of us thank our life partners, Marcia Glick and Patrick Patten, for the enormous support and encouragement that they have provided throughout this endeavor

B. R. Glick C. L. Patten

Preface to the Fifth Edition

BASED ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF RECOMBINANT DNA technology, molecular biotechnology emerged as a new research discipline in the late 1970's. Since those early days, there has been a veritable explosion of knowledge in the biological sciences. With the advent of PCR, chemical DNA synthesis, DNA sequencing, monoclonal antibodies, directed mutagenesis, genomics, proteomics, metabolomics, and more recently, specific genome modification techniques, our understanding of and ability to manipulate the biological world has grown exponentially. When the first edition of Molecular Biotechnology: Principles and Applications of Recombinant DNA was published in 1994, nearly all of the transgenic organisms that were produced included only a single introduced gene. Now, 23 years later it is common for researchers to engineer organisms by both modifying the activity and the regulation of existing genes and also by introducing entire new pathways. In 1994, only a handful of products produced by this new technology had been commercialized. Today, as a consequence of molecular biotechnology hundreds of new therapeutic agents are available in the marketplace with many more in the pipeline as well as dozens of transgenic plants. DNA technologies have become a cornerstone of modern forensics, paternity testing and ancestry determination. A number of new recombinant vaccines have been developed, with many more on the horizon. The list goes on and on. Molecular biotechnology has clearly lived up to its promise and all of the original hype that has existed since the late 1970s. Worldwide there are several thousand biotechnology companies, in virtually every corner of the globe, employing hundreds of thousands of scientists. When the exciting science being done at universities, government labs and research institutes around the world is factored in, the rate of change and of discovery in the biological sciences is absolutely astounding. This fifth edition of Molecular Biotechnology, building upon the fundamentals that were established in the previous four editions, endeavors to provide readers with a window on some of the major developments in this growing field. Given the enormity of the field of molecular biotechnology, we have had to be highly selective in the material we included in this edition. Moreover, the window that we are looking through is moving. This notwithstanding, we both expect and look forward to the commercialization of many of the discoveries that are discussed here, and in the future to the development of many new approaches, insights, and discoveries.

We have throughout endeavored to make the text reader friendly by minimizing the use of technical jargon and unnecessary abbreviations. Moreover, when an important term appears for the first time in the text, it is followed in parentheses with a synonym or brief explanation. The overall size of this edition has been pared down significantly compared to the fourth edition, done, in large measure, by removing some older material that has come to be common knowledge within the past 10–20 years. In addition, to facilitate the book's flow and ease of understanding, in a number of instances, two or more figures have been combined into a single figure. Endeavoring to be as up-to-date as possible, this edition expands the discussion of interfering RNA and explains CRISPR technology in detail, providing examples of their use in both gene therapy and transgenic plants.

Each chapter opens with an outline of topics and concludes with a summary and list of review questions to sharpen students' critical thinking skills. All of the key ideas in the book are illustrated by the more than 500 full-color figures and elaborated in more than 80 tables. After introducing molecular biotechnology as a scientific and economic venture in Chapter 1, the next two chapters explain the detailed methodologies of molecular biotechnology. These chapters provide a solid scientific base for the remainder of the book. Chapters 4 to 8 present examples of microbial molecular biotechnology covering such topics as the production of metabolites, new vaccines, both protein and nucleic acid therapeutic agents, diagnostics, bioremediation, and biomass utilization. Chapter 9 describes some of the key components of large-scale fermentation processes using recombinant microorganisms. Chapters 10 to 12 describe the molecular biotechnology of plants and animals. The book concludes in Chapter 13 with a discussion of the interaction of molecular biotechnology with society including controversies that have occurred as a consequence of this technology, coverage of the regulation of molecular biotechnology and patents.

Throughout the text we have relied extensively upon the recent published work of many researchers. In all cases, although not cited directly in the body of a chapter, the original published articles are cited in the references section of the appropriate chapter. In some cases, we have taken "pedagogic license" and either extracted or reformulated data from the original publications. Clearly, we are responsible for any distortions or misrepresentations from these simplifications, although we hope that none has occurred. The references sections also contain other sources that we used in a general way, which might, if consulted, bring the readers closer to a particular subject.

BERNARD R. GLICK CHERYL L. PATTEN

Contents

Preface to the Fifth Edition xvii

Emergence of Molecular Biotechnology 1

Recombinant DNA Technology 3

Commercialization of Molecular Biotechnology 4

The Development of Molecular Biotechnology 1

Concerns and Consequences 7

SUMMARY 9

REFERENCES 9

REVIEW QUESTIONS 10

Fundamental Technologies 11

Molecular Cloning 11

Preparation of DNA for Cloning 11

Insertion of Target DNA into a Plasmid Vector 16

Transformation and Selection of Cloned DNA in a Bacterial Host 20

Cloning Eukaryotic Genes 24

Recombinational Cloning 28

Genomic Libraries 30

Genome Engineering using CRISPR Technology 32

Polymerase Chain Reaction 35

Amplification of DNA by PCR 36

Cloning PCR Products 39

Quantitative PCR 39

Chemical Synthesis of DNA 42

Synthesis of Oligonucleotides 42

Assembling Oligonucleotides into Genes 48

Gene Synthesis by PCR 50

DNA Sequencing Technologies 50

Dideoxynucleotide Procedure 53

Pyrosequencing 55

Sequencing using Reversible Chain Terminators 57

Sequencing by Single Molecule Synthesis 57

Sequencing Whole Genomes 59

Preparation of Genomic DNA Sequencing Libraries 60 High-Throughput Next-Generation Sequencing Strategies 61 Genome Sequence Assembly 63 Sequencing Metagenomes 64

Genomics 64

Transcriptomics 67 Proteomics 72 Metabolomics 85

SUMMARY 87 REFERENCES 89 REVIEW QUESTIONS 91

Production of Recombinant Proteins 93

Protein Production in Prokaryotic Hosts 93

Regulation of Transcription 94 Increasing Translation Efficiency 98 Increasing Protein Stability 102 Increasing Protein Secretion 106 Facilitating Protein Purification 110 DNA Integration into the Host Chromosome 115

Heterologous Protein Production in Eukaryotic Cells 120

Posttranslational Modification of Eukaryotic Proteins 120 General Features of Eukaryotic Expression Systems 122 Yeast Expression Systems 124 Baculovirus-Insect Cell Expression Systems 136 Mammalian Cell Expression Systems 143

Protein Engineering 153

Directed Mutagenesis 154 Random Mutagenesis 158 Examples of Protein Engineering 162

SUMMARY 171 **REFERENCES 173 REVIEW QUESTIONS 175**



Molecular Diagnostics 177

Immunological Approaches to Detect Protein Biomarkers 178

Antibodies 178 Agglutination 183 Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assays 183 Protein Arrays to Detect Polygenic Diseases 189 Immunoassays for Protein Conformation-Specific Disorders 191

DNA-Based Diagnostic Approaches 193

Hybridization Probes 193 PCR-Based Detection Methods 200 DNA Microarrays 208 Whole Genome Sequencing to Assess Genetic Disease Risk 214

Detecting RNA Signatures of Disease 215

Detection of Disease-Associated Changes in Gene Expression
Using Microarrays 215
Detection of RNA Signatures of Antibiotic Resistance in Bacteria 216
Detection of miRNA Signatures of Cancers 217

Biofluorescent and Bioluminescent Systems 219

Fluorescent Proteins 219 Luciferase 221 Microbial Biosensors 222

SUMMARY 224
REFERENCES 225
REVIEW QUESTIONS 227

Protein Therapeutics 229

Pharmaceuticals 230

Human Interferons 231 Human Growth Hormone 235 Tumor Necrosis Factor Alpha 237 Extending Protein Half-Life 238

Enzymes 240

DNase I 240 Alginate Lyase 242 Phenylalanine Ammonia Lyase 245 α_{γ} -Antitrypsin 247 Glycosidases 248 Masking Nonhuman Epitopes 249 Engineering Bacteriophages 250 Targeting Mitochondria 253

Lactic Acid Bacteria 255

Interleukin-10 255 Leptin 258 An HIV Inhibitor 258 Insulin 260

Recombinant Antibodies 261

Hybrid Human–Mouse Monoclonal Antibodies 264
Human Monoclonal Antibodies 268
Antibody Fragments 270
Combinatorial Libraries of Antibody Fragments 274
A Combinatorial Library of Full-Length Antibodies 277
Shuffling CDR Sequences 278
Dual-Variable-Domain Antibodies 280
Anticancer Antibodies 281
Antibodies Against Various Diseases 284
Antiobesity Antibodies 287
Enhanced Antibody Half-Life 290

SUMMARY 292 REFERENCES 292 REVIEW QUESTIONS 295



Nucleic Acids as Therapeutic Agents 297

Targeting Specific mRNA and DNA Sequences 299

Antisense RNA 299

Aptamers 302

Ribozymes and DNAzymes 307

Interfering RNA 311

Zinc Finger Nucleases 315

CRISPR-Cas System 317

Nanozymes 318

Nanoparticles 319

Viral Delivery Systems 319

Nonviral Delivery Systems 325

Direct Injection 325

Lipids 327

Bacteria 328

Dendrimers 331

Antibodies 332

Aptamers 332

Transposons 334

Gene Therapy 335

Prodrug Activation Therapy 335

Promoterless Gene Targeting 337

SUMMARY 338

REFERENCES 339

REVIEW QUESTIONS 341



Vaccines 343

Vaccination 343

Current and Future Vaccines 345

Subunit Vaccines 347

Herpes Simplex Virus 348

Cholera 350

SARS 350

Staphylococcus aureus 351

Human Papillomavirus 353

Foot-and-Mouth Virus 354

Streptococcus 356

Delivery 357

Peptide Vaccines 359

Malaria 359

Genetic Immunization: DNA Vaccines 363

Delivery 364

Cancer 370

Dental Caries 370

Attenuated Vaccines 372

Herpes Simplex Virus 372

Cholera 374

Salmonella Species 375 Leishmania Species 378

Vector Vaccines 378

Vaccines Directed against Viruses 378
Vaccines Directed against Bacteria 388
Bacteria as Antigen Delivery Systems 392

Monoclonal Antibody Passive Immunity 396

Influenza Virus 396
SUMMARY 397
REFERENCES 398
REVIEW QUESTIONS 400



Industrial and Environmental Uses of Recombinant Microorganisms 403

Restriction Endonucleases 403

Small Biological Molecules 405

L-Ascorbic Acid 407 Indigo 410 Amino Acids 412 Lycopene 417 Antibiotics 418 Biopolymers 429

Microbial Degradation of Xenobiotics 434

Genetic Engineering of Biodegradative Pathways 436

Utilization of Starch and Sugars 445

Commercial Production of Fructose and Alcohol 446 Increasing Alcohol Production 448 Improving Fructose Production 453

Utilization of Cellulose and Hemicellulose 454

Lignocellulosics 455
Cellulase Genes 457
Direct Conversion of Biomass to Ethanol 462
Zymomonas mobilis 464

Lipids from Cyanobacteria 467

Hydrogen Production 468

SUMMARY 470 REFERENCES 471 REVIEW QUESTIONS 474



Large-Scale Production of Proteins from Recombinant Microorganisms 475

Principles of Microbial Growth 476

Batch Fermentation 477
Fed-Batch Fermentation 479
Continuous Fermentation 480

Maximizing The Efficiency of The Fermentation Process 481

High-Density Cell Cultures 483 Increasing Plasmid Stability 484 Quiescent *E. Coli* Cells 485 Protein Secretion 486 Reducing Acetate 489

Bioreactors 491

Typical Large-Scale Fermentation Systems 494

Two-Stage Fermentation in Tandem Airlift Reactors 495
Two-Stage Fermentation in a Single Stirred-Tank Reactor 496
Batch versus Fed-Batch Fermentation 498

Harvesting Microbial Cells 501

Disrupting Microbial Cells 502

Downstream Processing 504

Protein Solubilization 506 Utilizing an Immobilized Enzyme 507 Magnetic Separation of Proteins 507

Large-Scale Production of Plasmid DNA 508

SUMMARY 511
REFERENCES 512
REVIEW QUESTIONS 514

10

Genetic Engineering of Plants: Methodology 515

Plant Transformation with the Ti Plasmid of *A. Tumefaciens* 516

Ti Plasmid-Derived Vector Systems 522

Microprojectile Bombardment 526

Chloroplast Engineering 527

Very High Level Protein Expression 529

Use of Reporter Genes in Transformed Plant Cells 532

Manipulation of Gene Expression in Plants 533

Transient Gene Expression 533
Plant Promoters 536
Targeted Gene Editing 538
Facilitating Protein Purification 539
Protein Glycosylation 541

Production of Marker-Free Transgenic Plants 542

Removing Marker Genes from Nuclear DNA 543 Removing Marker Genes from Chloroplast DNA 545

SUMMARY 546
REFERENCES 547
REVIEW QUESTIONS 549

11

Transgenic Plants 551

Insect Resistance 551

B. thuringiensis Insecticidal Toxin 551
Increasing Expression of the B. thuringiensis Protoxin 555
Other Strategies for Protecting Plants against Insects 558
Preventing the Development of B. thuringiensis-Resistant
Insects 564
Targeting Aphids 569

Virus Resistance 570

Viral Coat Protein-Mediated Protection 570 Protection by Expression of Other Genes 574

Herbicide Resistance 578

Fungus and Bacterium Resistance 583

Salt and Drought Stress 588

Fruit Ripening and Flower Wilting 592

Modification of Plant Nutritional Content 594

Amino Acids 594 Lipids 595 Vitamins 599 Iron 601 Gluten 602

Modification of Food Plant Taste and Appearance 603

Preventing Discoloration 603 Starch 605

Plants as Bioreactors 608

Antibodies 608 Poly(3-hydroxybutyric Acid) 610

Eddible Vaccines 611

Plant Yield 615

Altering Lignin Content 615
Increasing Oxygen Content 618

SUMMARY 619 REFERENCES 620 REVIEW QUESTIONS 624

9

Transgenic Animals 625

Transgenic Mice: Methodology 626

DNA Microinjection Method 627
Retroviral Vector Method 629
Engineered Embryonic Stem Cell Method 631
Conditional Gene Inactivation with the Cre-loxP
Recombination System 637
Genome Editing with the CRISPR-Cas System 641
Gene Knockdown by RNA Interference 643

Transgenic Mice: Applications 644

Transgenic Disease Models: Alzheimer Disease 644 Transgenic Mice as Test Systems 647 Control of Transgene Expression 651 Conditional Control of Cell Death 654

Transgenic Livestock 656

Cloning Livestock by Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer 656 Production of Pharmaceuticals 658 Production of Donor Organs 660 Disease Resistant Livestock 661 Improving Milk Quality 664 Improving Animal Production Traits 665

Transgenic Poultry 669

Transgenic Fish 673

SUMMARY 676 REFERENCES 676 REVIEW OUESTIONS 678

Molecular Biotechnology and Society 679

Development of Guidelines for Recombinant DNA Research 680

Deliberate Release of Genetically Modified Microorganisms 682

Environmental Concerns 682 Regulations 683

Regulation of Genetically Modified Foods 684

Food Ingredients Produced by Genetically Engineered Microorganisms 684 Genetically Modified Crops 687 Genetically Engineered Livestock 691

Societal Concerns About Genetically Modified Foods 692

Alteration of Nutritional Content of Food 692 Potential for Introducing Toxins or Allergens into Food 696 Potential for Transferring Transgenes from Food to Humans or Intestinal Microorganisms 698 Controversy About the Labeling of Genetically Modified Foods 700 Impact of Genetically Engineered Crops on Biodiversity 700 Who Benefits from Production of Genetically Modified Foods? 703 Environmental Benefits of Genetically Modified Crops 704 How do Views about Genetically Engineered Organisms Impact Trade? 705

Regulation and Safety of Medical Products of **Biotechnology 706**

New Biological Drugs 706 Genetic and Genomic Testing 709 **Economic Issues 711**

Patenting Biotechnology 714

REVIEW QUESTIONS 724

Patenting 714
Patenting in Different Countries 716
Patenting Nucleic Acid Sequences 717
Patenting Living Organisms 719
Patenting and Fundamental Research 720
SUMMARY 721
REFERENCES 722

Amino Acids of Proteins and Their Designations 725

Index 727



The Development of Molecular Biotechnology

Emergence of Molecular
Biotechnology
Recombinant DNA Technology
Commercialization of Molecular
Biotechnology
Concerns and Consequences

SUMMARY
REFERENCES
REVIEW QUESTIONS

Emergence of Molecular Biotechnology

Long before we knew that microorganisms existed or that genes were the units of inheritance, humans looked to the natural world to develop methods to increase food production, preserve food, and heal the sick. Our ancestors discovered that grains could be preserved through fermentation into beer, that storing horse saddles in a warm, damp corner of the stable resulted in the growth of a saddle mold that could heal infected saddle sores, that intentional exposure to a "contagion" could somehow provide protection from an infectious disease on subsequent exposures, and that plants and animals with enhanced production traits could be developed through cross breeding. Following the discovery of the microscopic world in the 17th century, microorganisms have been employed in the development of numerous useful processes and products. Many of these are found in our households and backyards. Lactic acid bacteria are used to prepare yogurts and probiotics, insecticide-producing bacteria are sprayed on many of the plants from which the vegetables in our refrigerator are harvested, nitrogen-fixing bacteria are added in the soil used for cultivation of legumes, the enzymatic stain removers in laundry detergent come from a microorganism, and antibiotics that are derived from common soil microbes are used to treat infectious diseases. These are just a few examples of traditional biotechnologies that have improved our lives. Up to the early 1970s, however, traditional biotechnology was not a well-recognized scientific discipline, and research in this area was centered in departments of chemical engineering and occasionally in specialized microbiology programs.

In a broad sense, biotechnology is concerned with the manipulation of organisms to develop and manufacture useful products. The term "biotechnology" was first used in 1917 by a Hungarian engineer, Karl Ereky, to describe an integrated process for the large-scale production of pigs by