

Game plan

Lecture

Antibiotics
Antibiotic resistance
Gene transfer
Transformation
Transduction
Conjugation

Lab

Review O₂, temp and pH results
Growth Control: Temp and UV

Pre-lab

Growth control: alcohol, antiseptics
and antibiotics

Discovery of Antimicrobial Drugs

- **1928:** Fleming discovered penicillin, produced by *Penicillium*

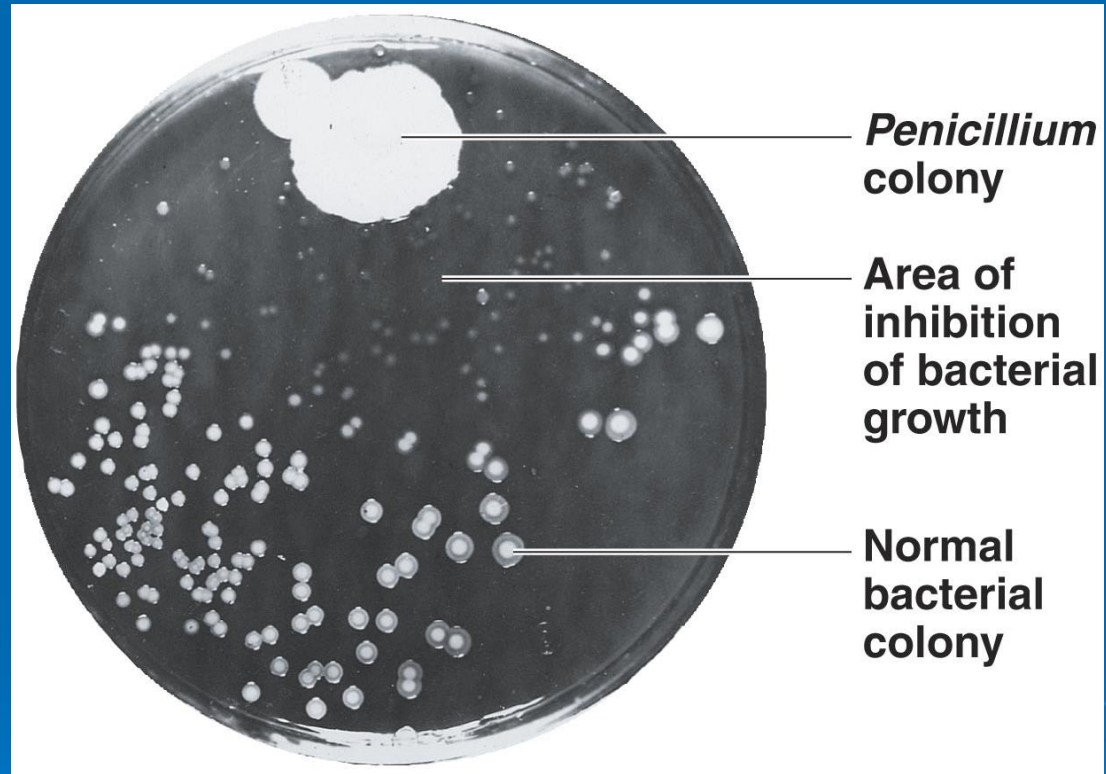


Figure 1.5

Where to antimicrobials come from?

Gram-Positive Rods

Bacillus subtilis

Bacitracin

Paenibacillus polymyxa

Polymyxin

Actinomycetes

Streptomyces nodosus

Amphotericin B

Streptomyces venezuelae

Chloramphenicol

Streptomyces aureofaciens

Chlortetracycline and
tetracycline

Saccharopolyspora erythraea

Erythromycin

Streptomyces fradiae

Neomycin

Streptomyces griseus

Streptomycin

Micromonospora purpurea

Gentamicin

Fungi

Cephalosporium spp.

Cephalothin

Penicillium griseofulvum

Griseofulvin

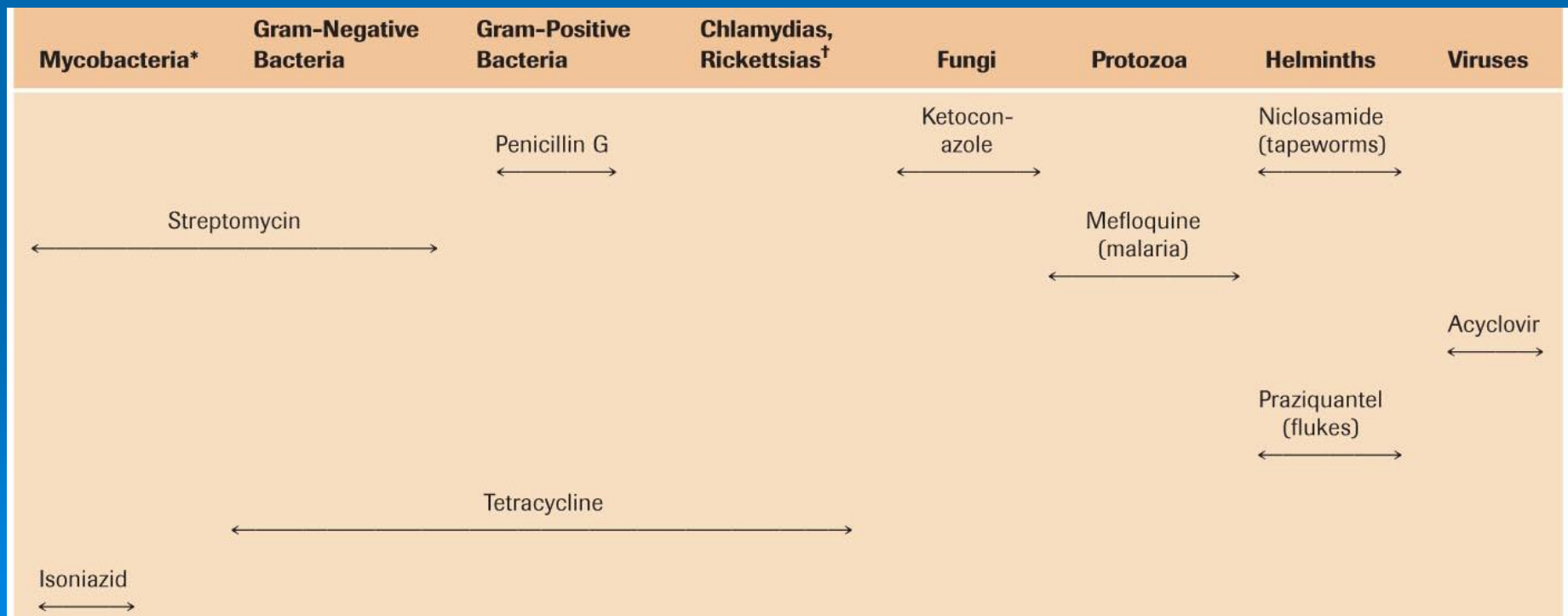
Penicillium chrysogenum

Penicillin

Spectrum of activity

Broad spectrum- affect a broad range of gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria

Narrow spectrum- affects a narrow range of bacteria



Pit Stop



This bacterium is lysing because an antibiotic disrupted its cell wall. Why doesn't the antibiotic lyse human cells?

The Action of Antimicrobial Drugs

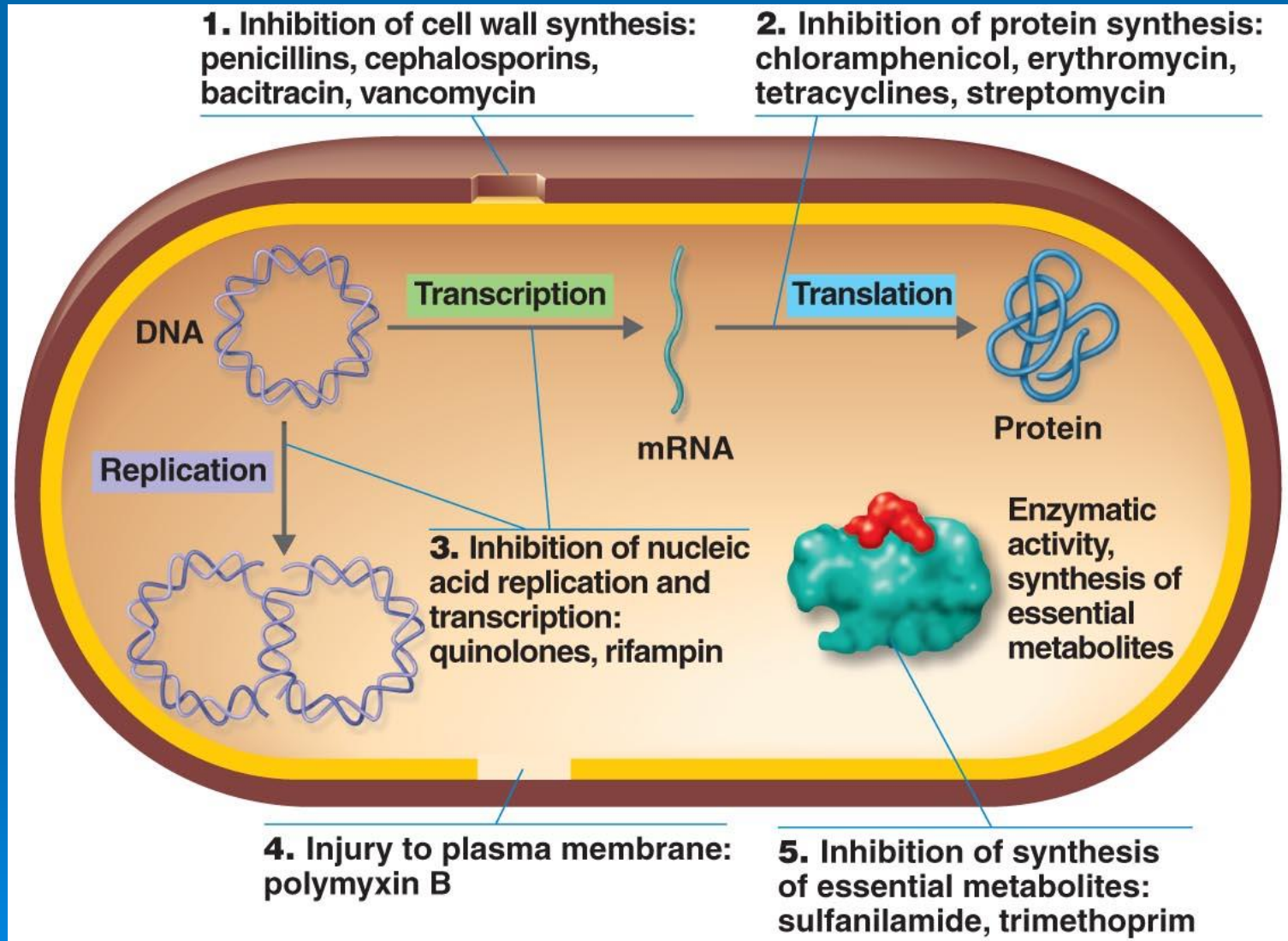
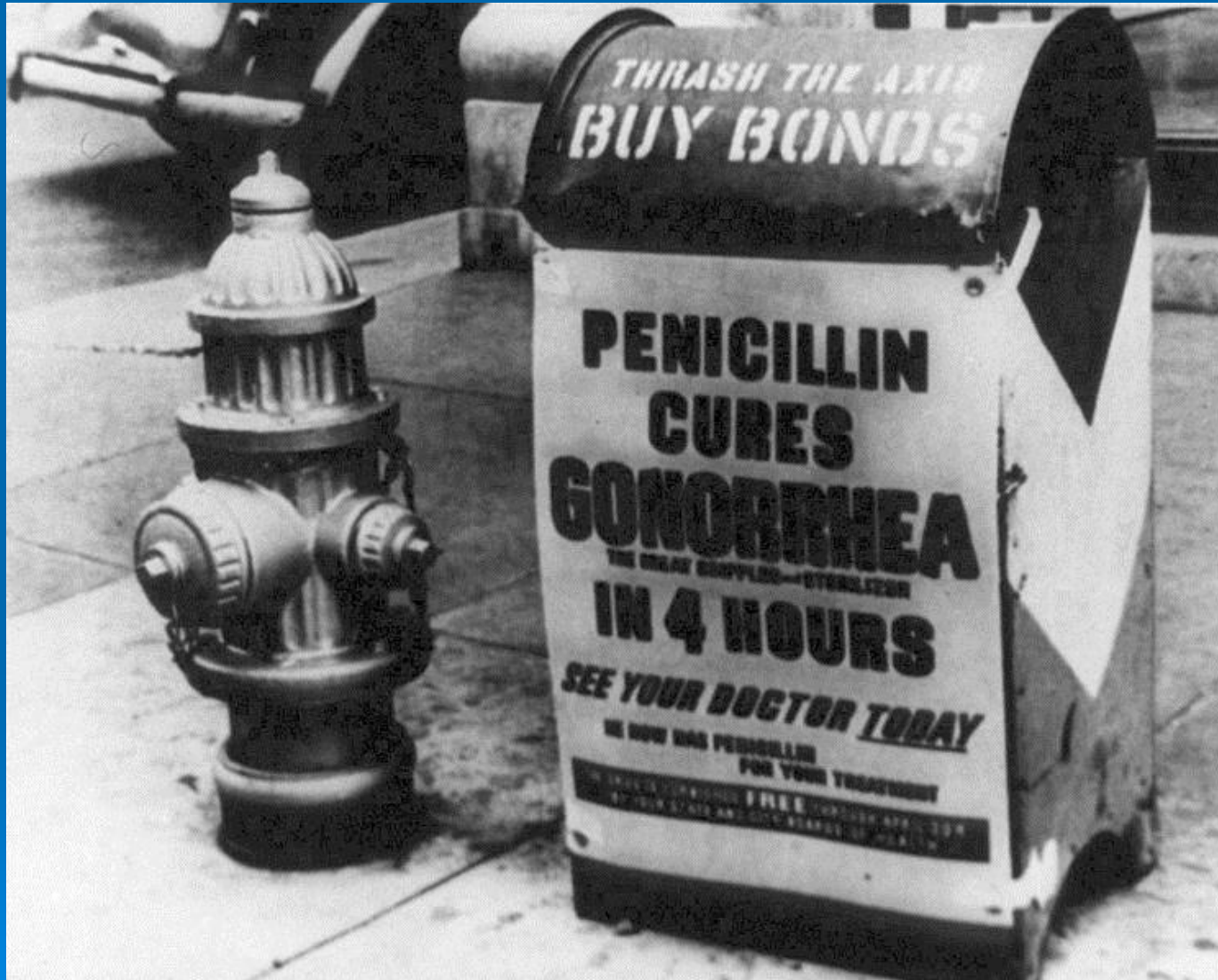
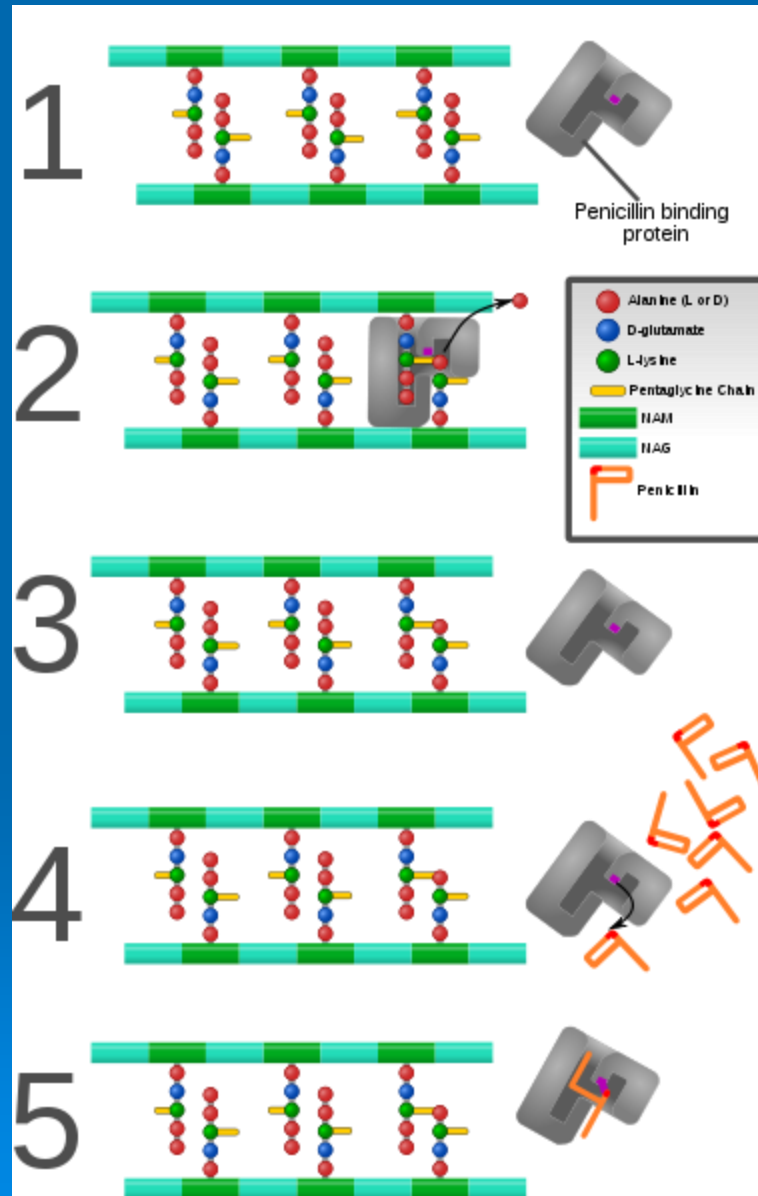


Figure 20.2

Case study in narrow spectrum antibiotics: Penicillin

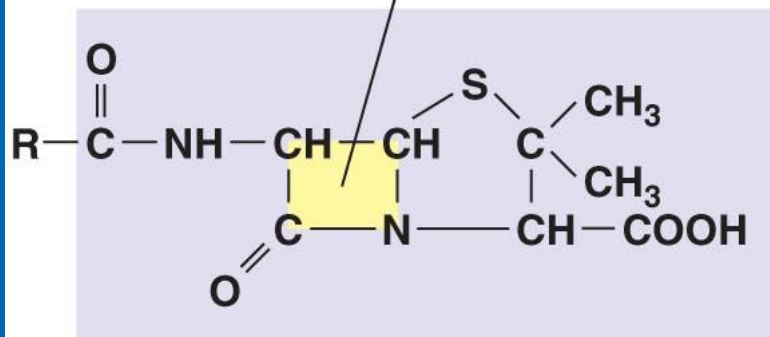


Penicillin prevents cross-linking in cell wall



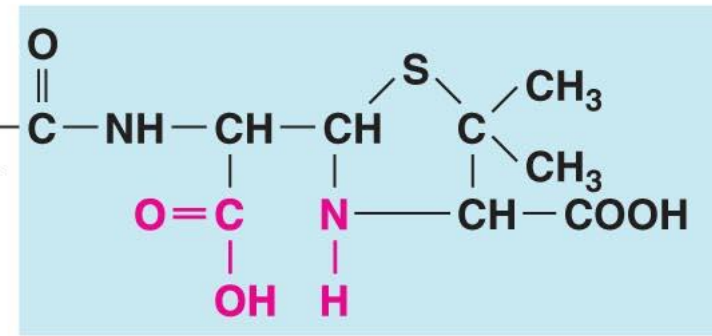
A peek at antibiotic resistance... penicillinase

β -lactam ring



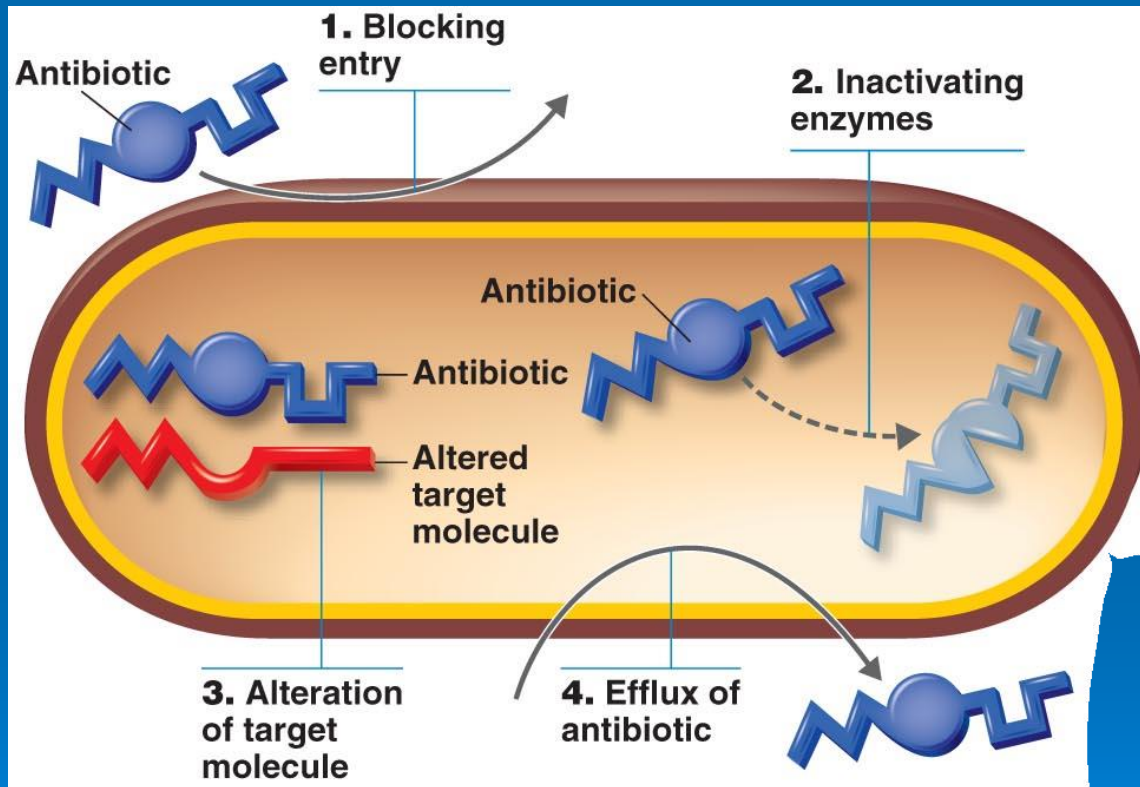
Penicillin

Penicillinase



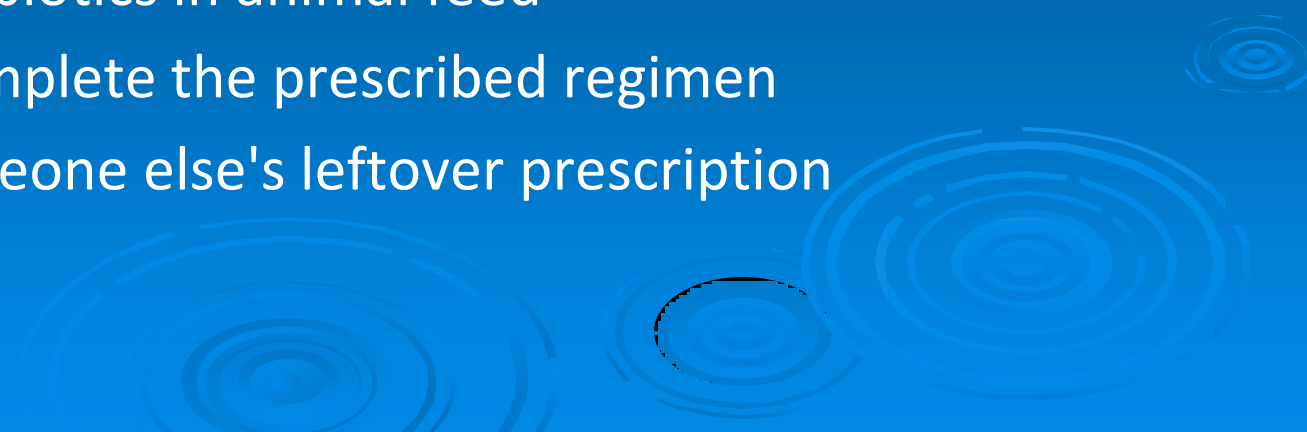
Penicilloic acid

Resistance to Antibiotics



- Inactivating enzymes:
(i.e. enzymatic destruction of drug)
 - e.g. Penicillin
- Blocking entry of drug
- Alteration of drug's target molecule
- Rapid efflux (ejection) of the drug

Mechanisms of resistance

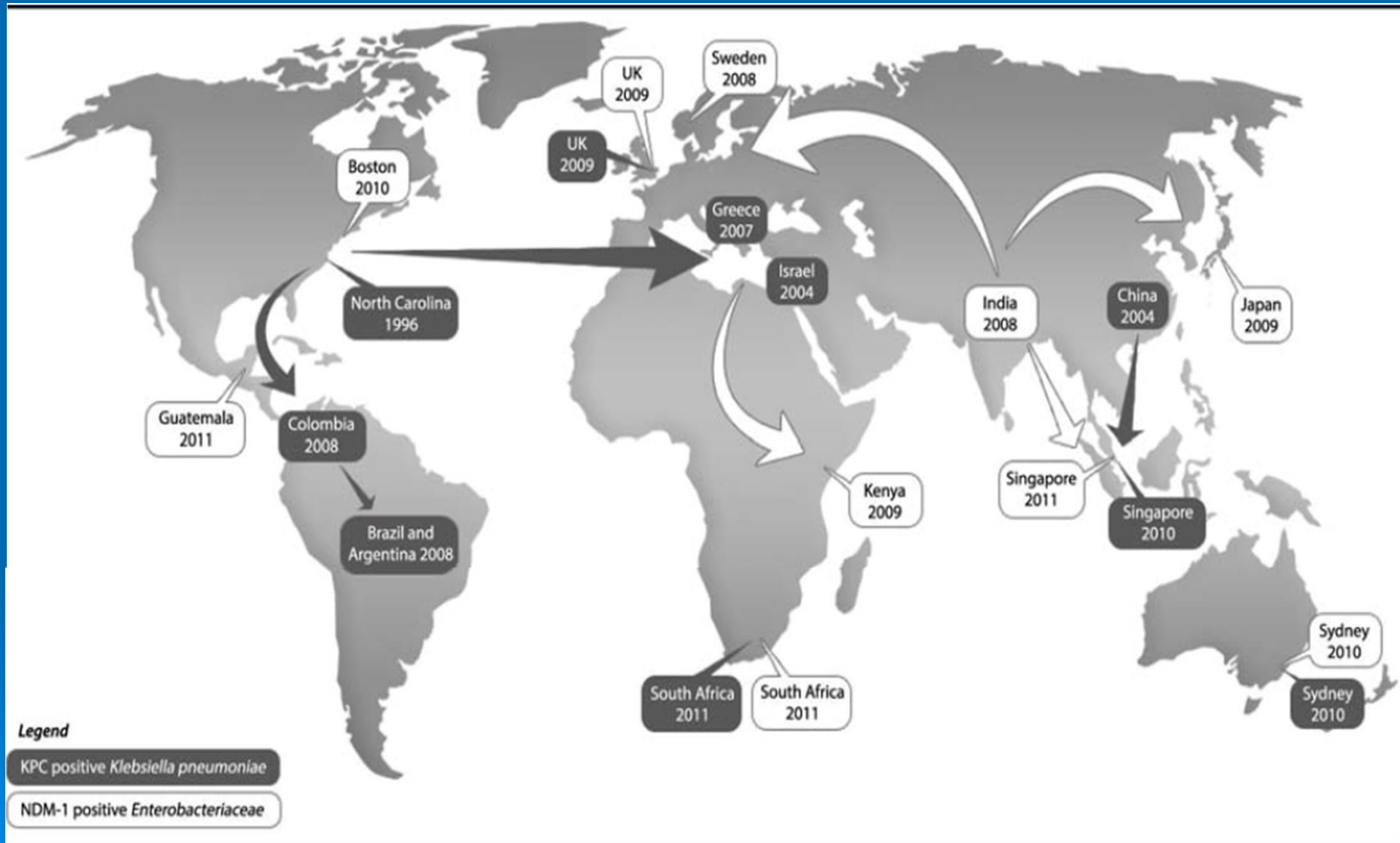
- A variety of mutations can lead to antibiotic resistance
 - Misuse of antibiotics selects for resistance mutants. Misuse includes:
 - Using outdated or weakened antibiotics
 - Using antibiotics for the common cold and other inappropriate conditions
 - Using antibiotics in animal feed
 - Failing complete the prescribed regimen
 - Using someone else's leftover prescription
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The future of antibiotic resistance...

Carbapenem-Resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CREs)

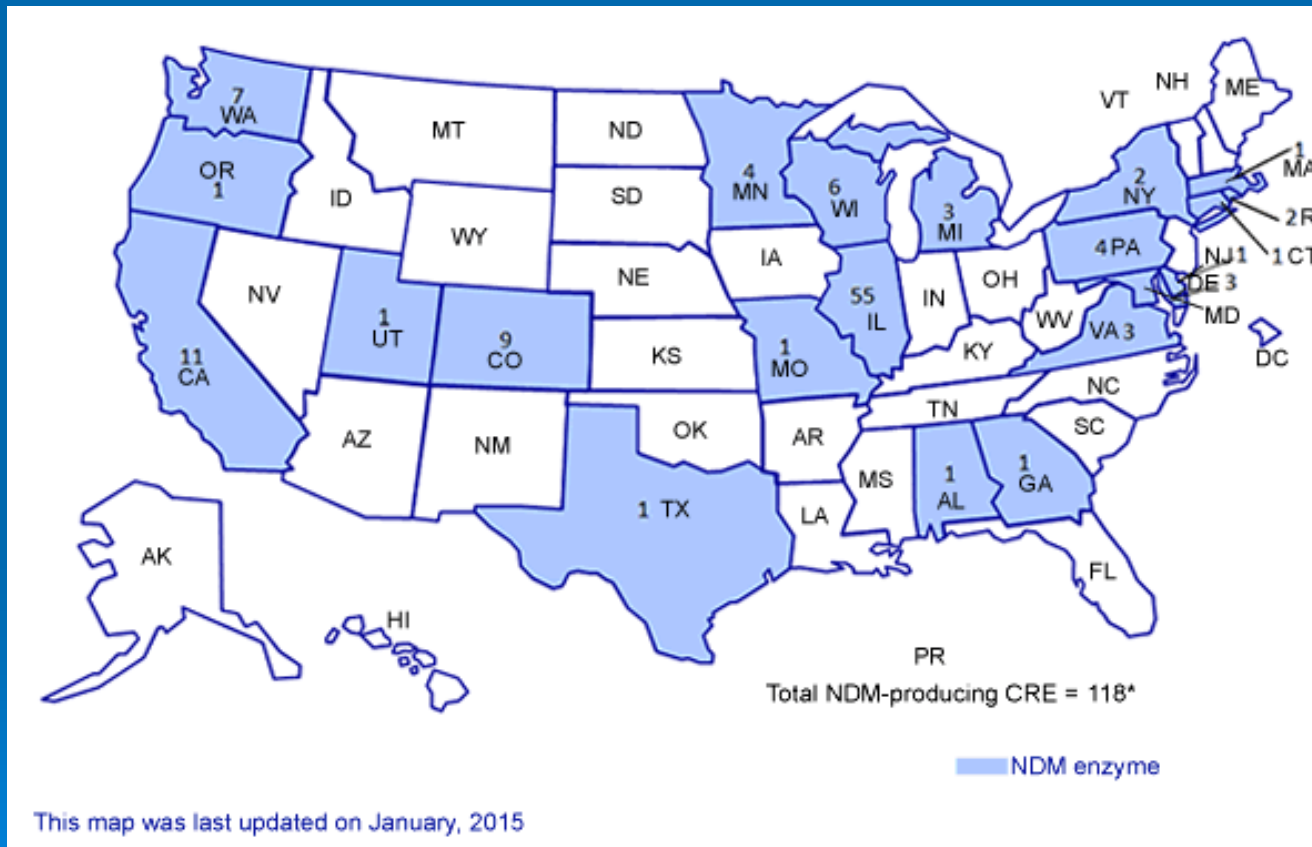
- **CRE definition by CDC:** resistant to large range of beta-lactam antibiotics
 - Nonsusceptible to meropenem, imipenem, doripenem
 - Resistant to 3rd generation cephalosporins
 - Ceftriaxone, cefotaxime, ceftazadime
- **CREs** contain different enzymes that break down carbapenems:
 - **KPC (*Klebsiella pneumoniae* Carbapenemase)**
 - Most common CRE in United States. First identified in 1996 in North Carolina. [Carbapenem resistant *Klebsiella pneumonia* (CRKP)]
 - **NDM-1 (New Delhi Metallo-beta-lactamase)**- resistance to all antibiotics except colistin (affects membranes) and tigecycline (protein synthesis inhibitor ~ tetracycline)
 - Originally identified in patient from New Delhi in 2008

Global spread of CREs

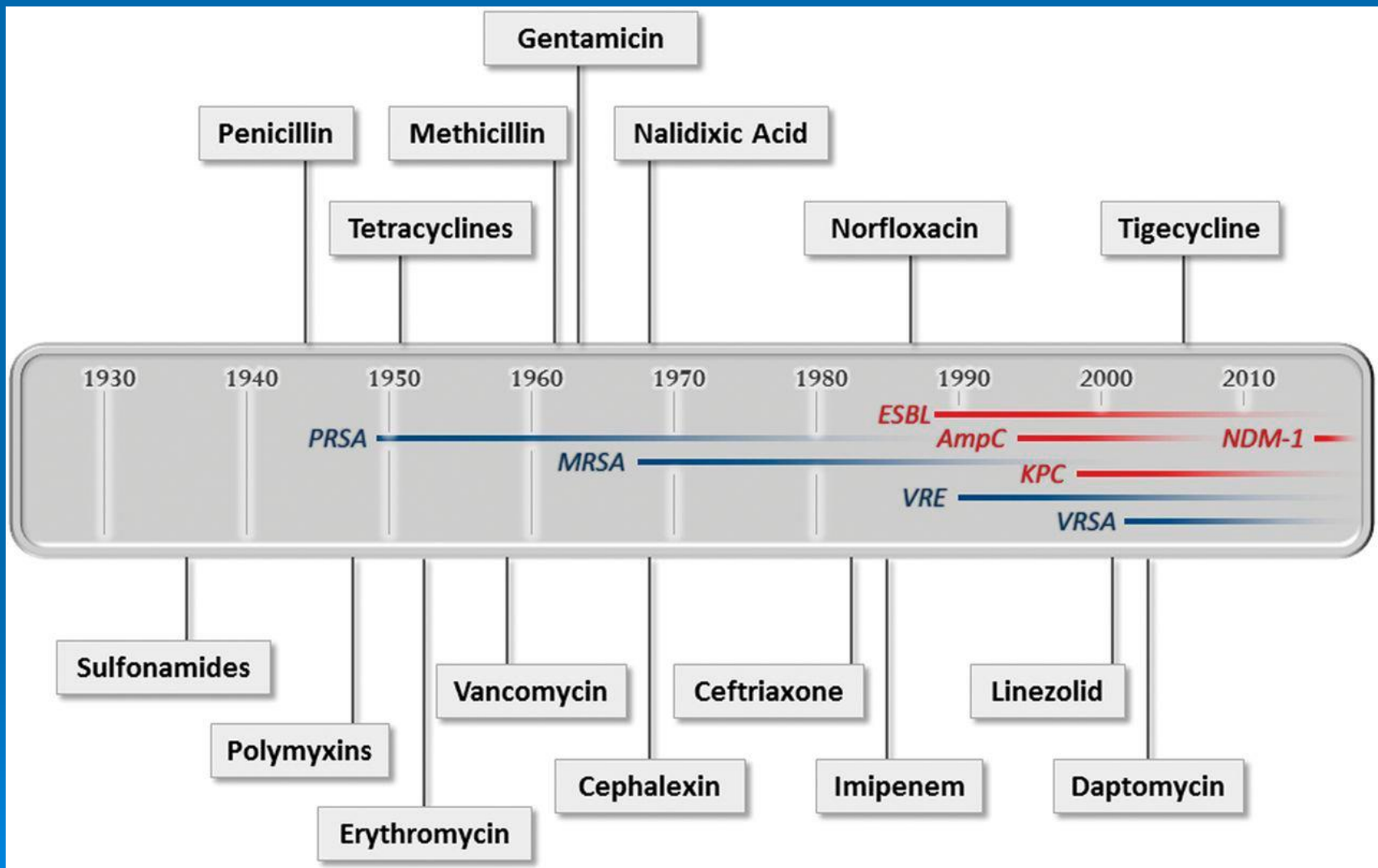


Mapping of CREs in the US

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The antibiotic pipeline looks bleak



Resistance genes are spreading

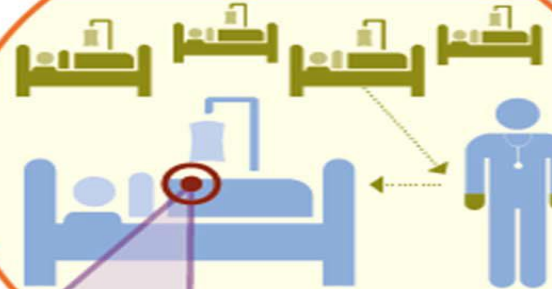
Risk of CRE Infections

1. Local Short-Stay Hospital



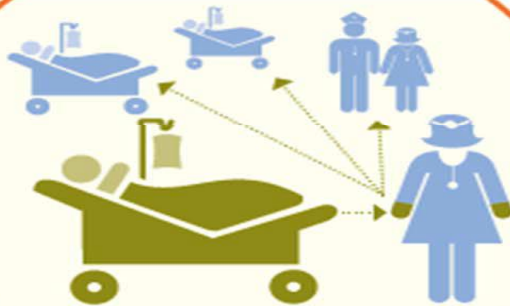
Jan has a stroke and is in the hospital. She is stable but needs long-term critical care at another facility.

2. Long-Term Acute Care Hospital



Other patients in this facility have CRE. A nurse doesn't wash his hands, and CRE are spread to Jan. She develops a fever and is put on antibiotics without proper testing.

3. Local Short-Stay Hospital



Jan becomes unstable and goes back to the hospital, but her new doctors don't know she has CRE. A doctor doesn't wash her hands after treating Jan. CRE are spread to other patients.

How CRE Take Over

1. Lots of germs, 1 or 2 are CRE



2. Antibiotics kill off good germs



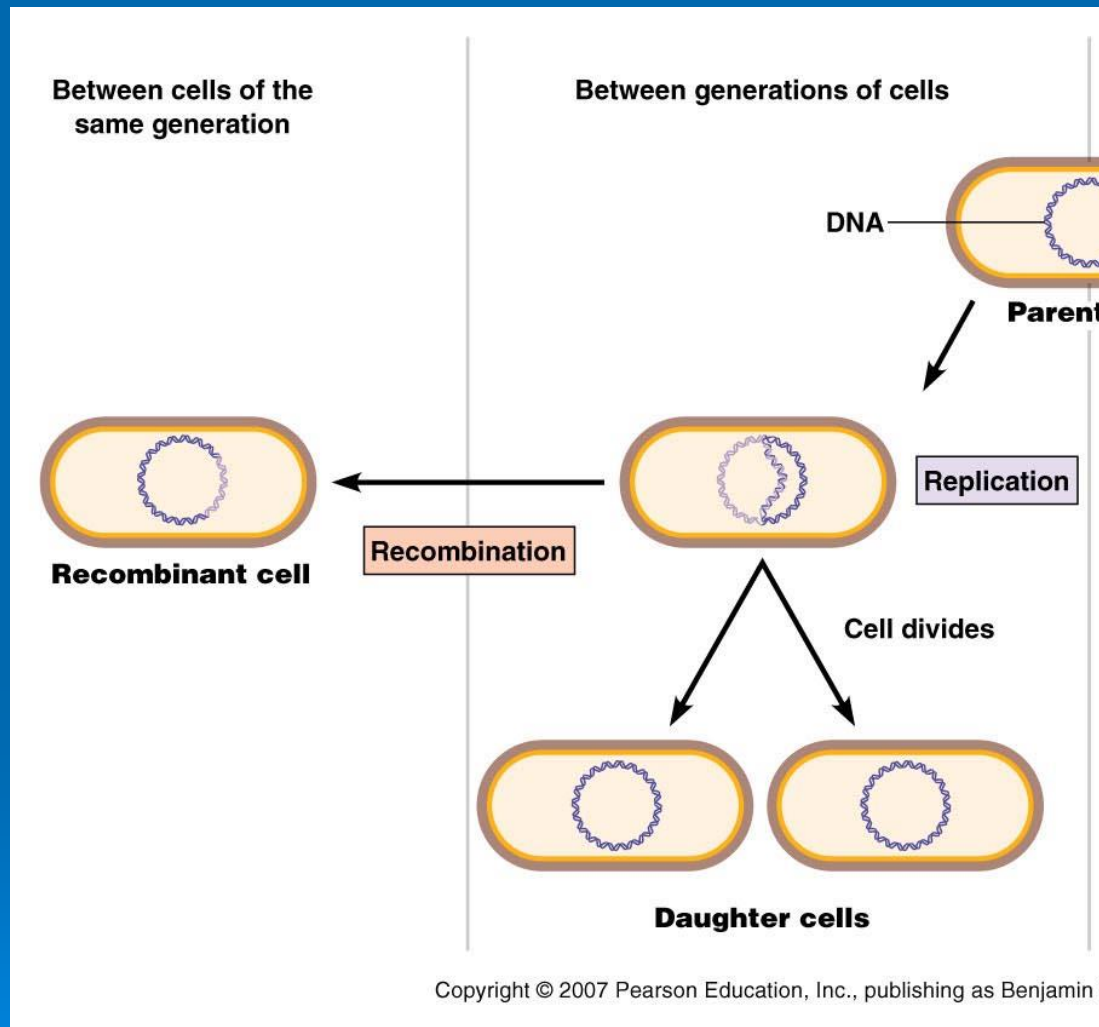
3. CRE grow



4. CRE share genetic defenses to make other bacteria resistant



CRE genes move through horizontal gene transfer



Horizontal gene
transfer

Vertical gene
transfer

Horizontal gene transfer: Transformation

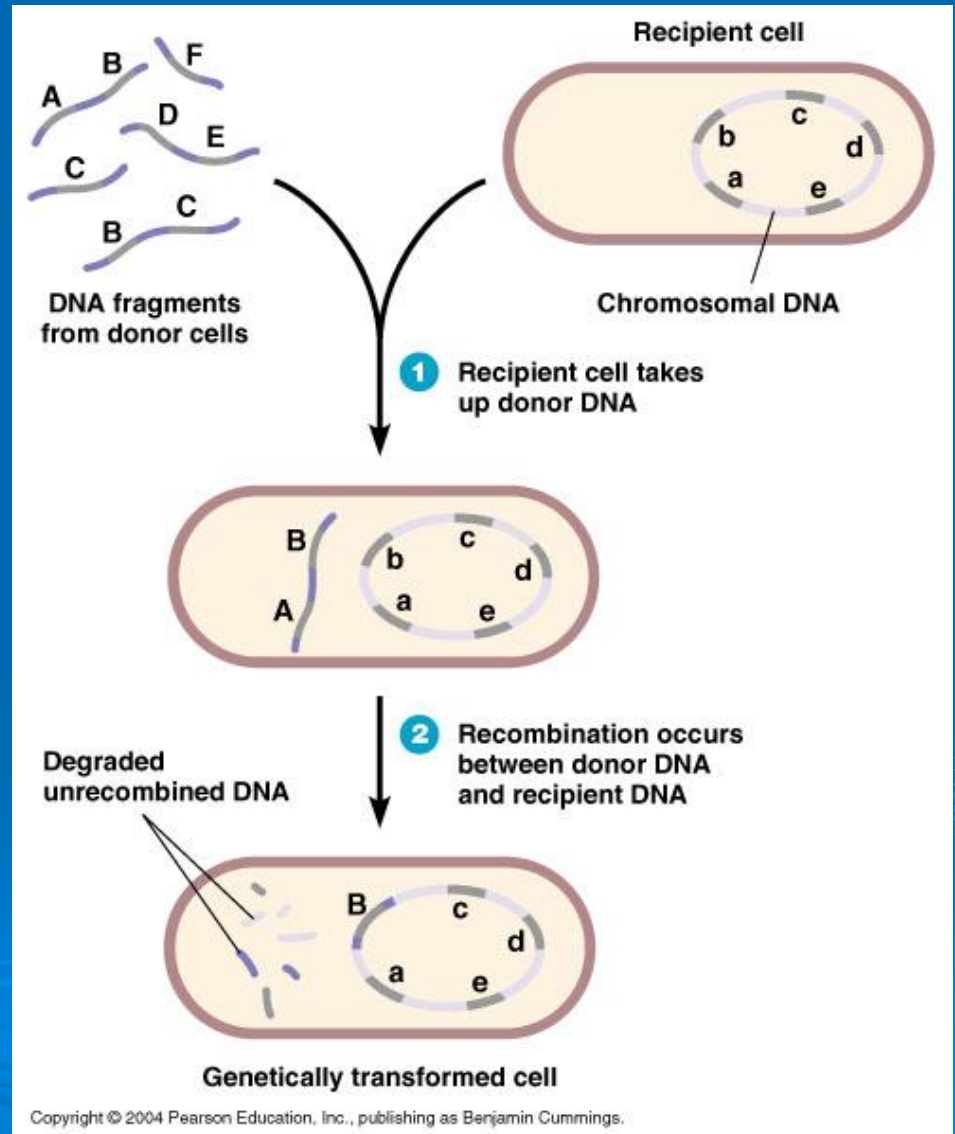
DNA transferred:

- Cell free or “naked” DNA

Requirements:

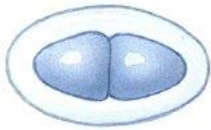
- Competent cells take up “naked DNA” from environment

- DNA recombines in host chromosome *if similar*



Horizontal gene transfer: Transformation

Heat-killed smooth pneumococci, with capsule



Mouse lives

Live, virulent, smooth pneumococci, with capsule



Mouse dies

Live, nonvirulent, rough pneumococci, no capsule

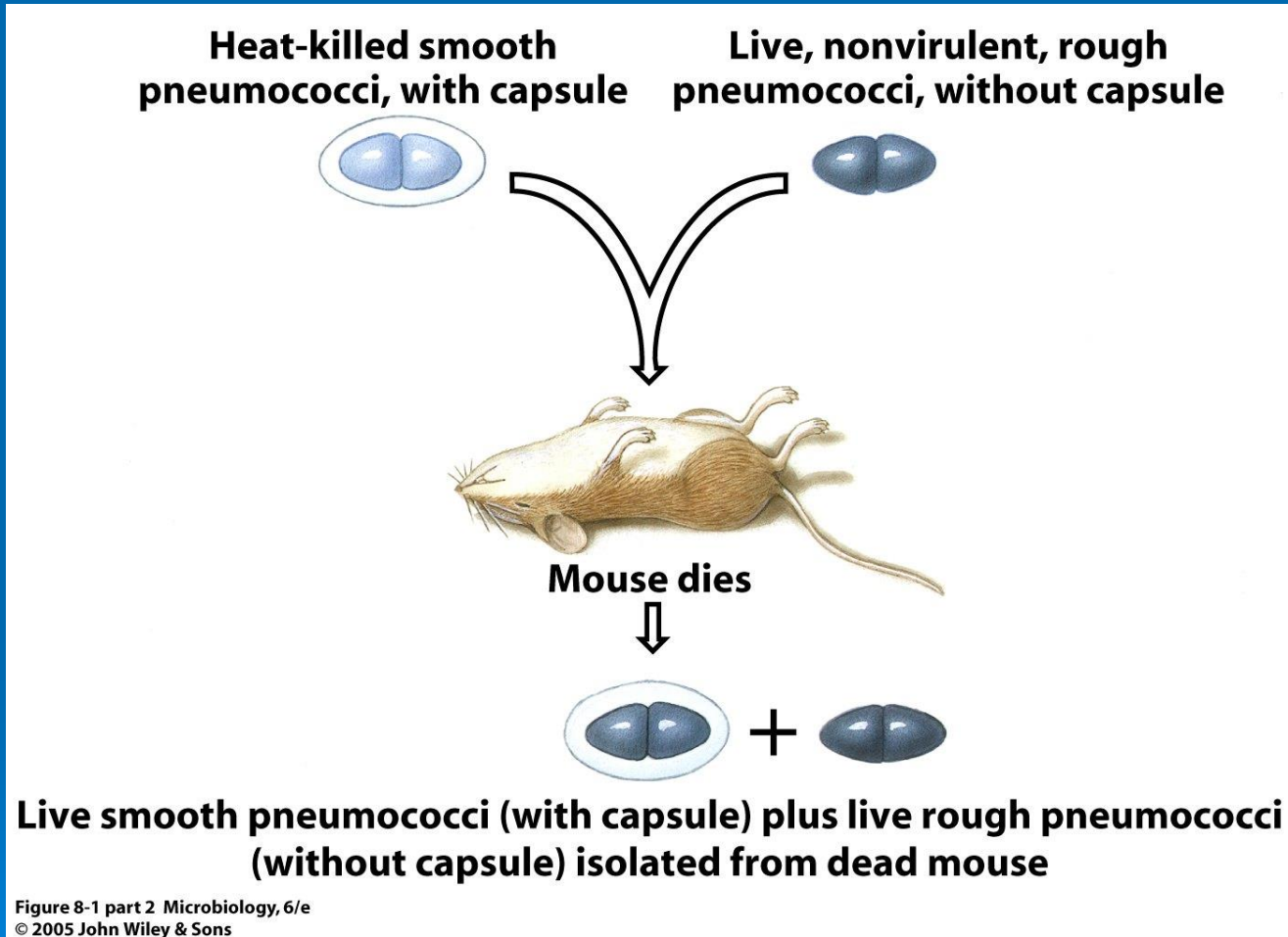


Mouse lives

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1920s- Griffith experiment

Horizontal gene transfer: Transformation



1920s- Griffith experiment

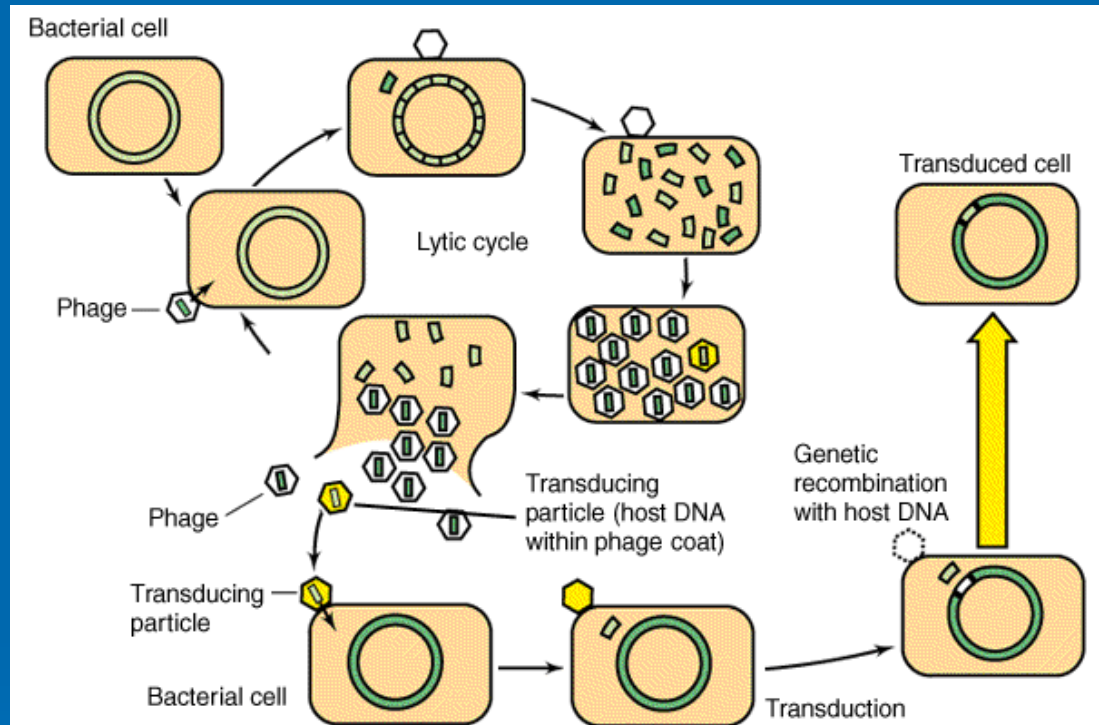
Horizontal gene transfer: Generalized transduction

DNA transferred:

-Small chromosomal fragments from bacteria

Requirements:

- Lytic bacteriophage (phage) replicates in bacterial cell (lytic cycle)
- Imperfect packaging of new phage particles allows bacterial DNA to be included
- New phage inserts bacterial DNA into new bacterial cell
- DNA recombines into host chromosome *if similar*



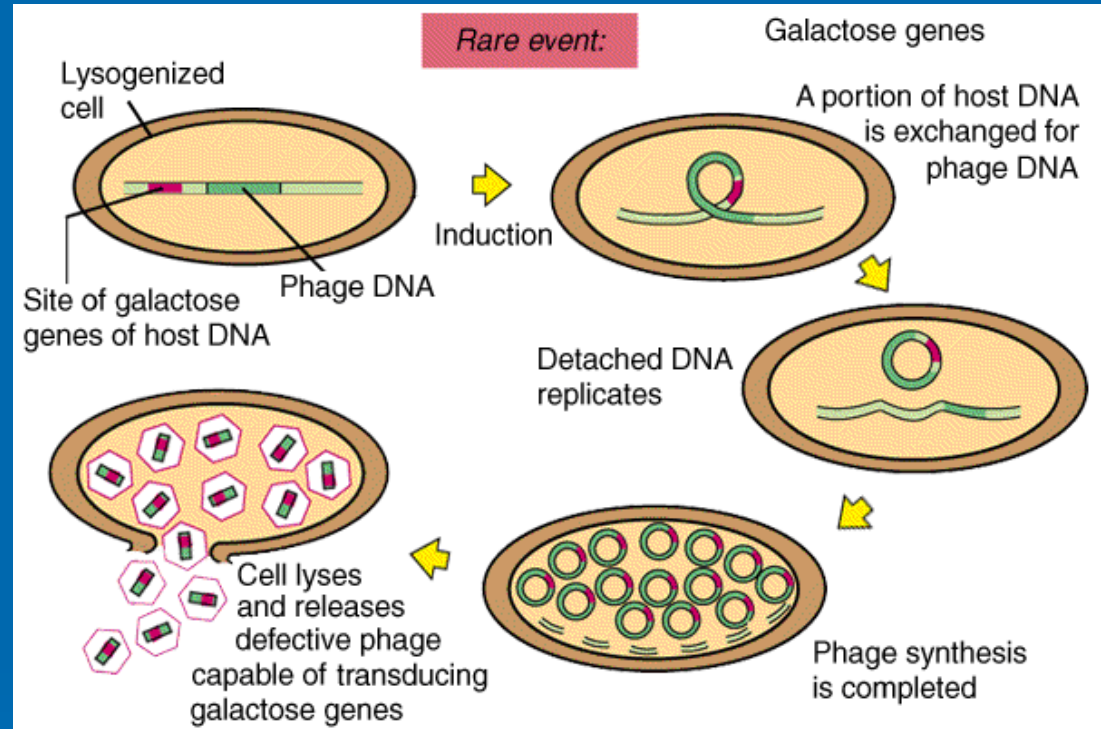
Horizontal gene transfer: Specialized transduction

DNA:

-Bacterial chromosome fragment near prophage

Requirements:

- Lysogenic phage inserts phage DNA into host chromosome to become a prophage (lysogenic cycle)
- Once induced to lytic cycle, the prophage excises, including adjacent piece of host DNA, and makes new viral particles
- New phage inserts bacterial DNA into new bacterial cell
- DNA recombines into host chromosome *if similar*



Comparison of Lytic and Lysogenic Phage/Cycles

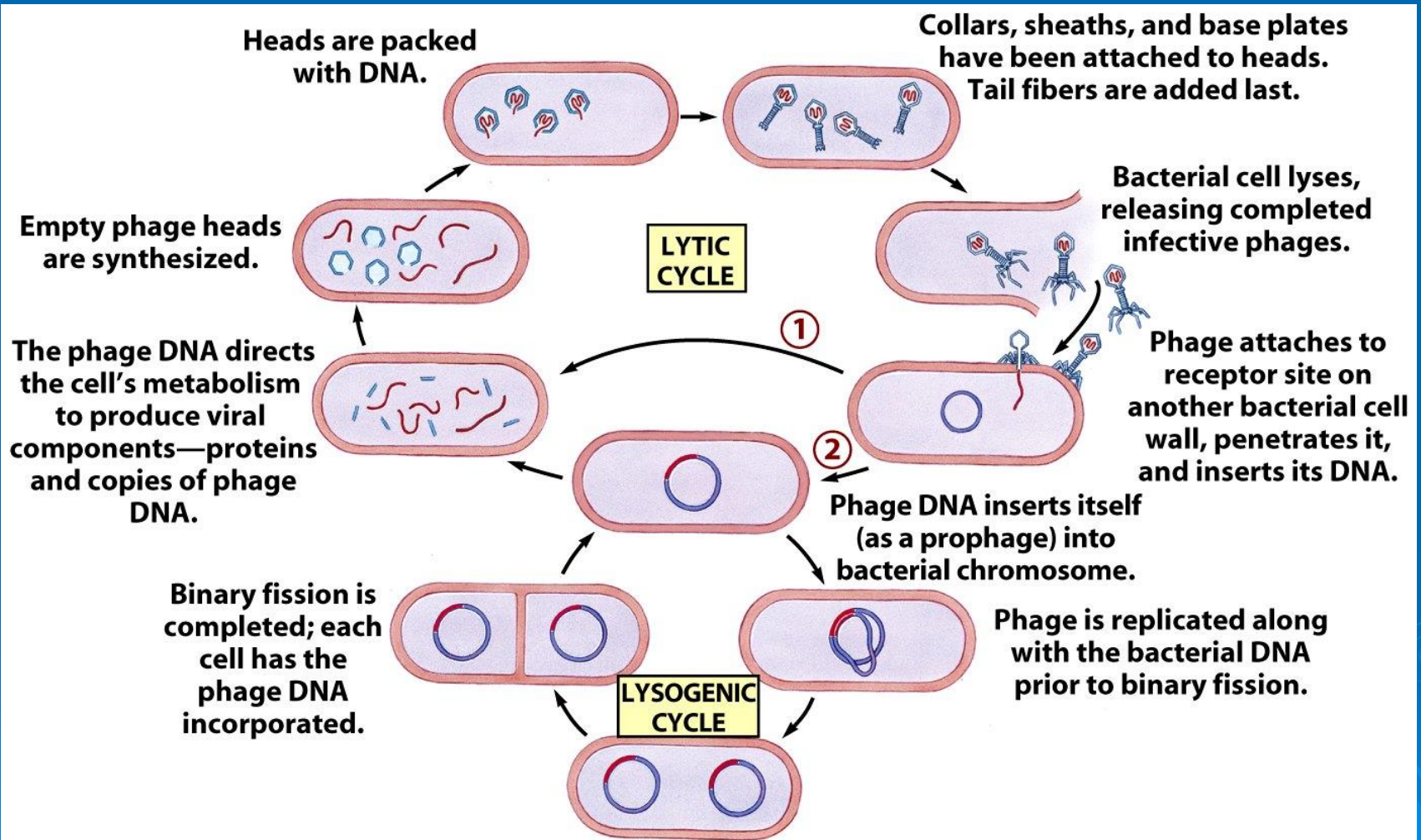


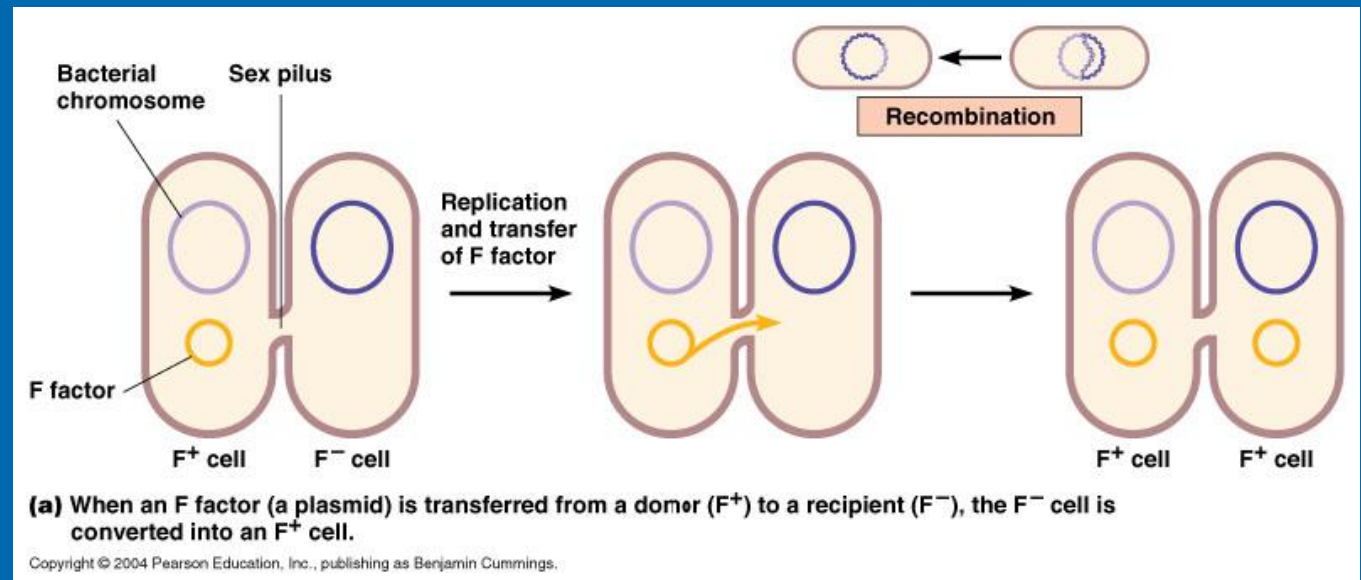
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Horizontal gene transfer: Conjugation

DNA transferred:

-F factor

Requirements:



-F + cell contains the F factor (i.e. plasmid containing conjugation and pili genes)

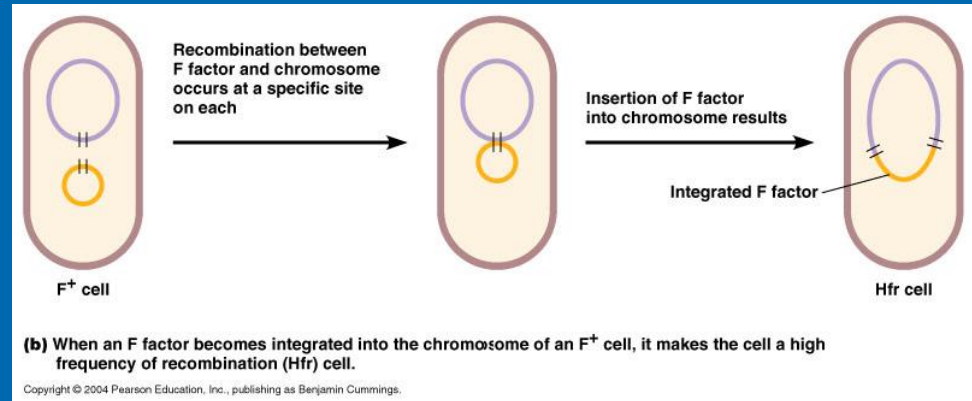
- F + cell will make conjugation pili and connect to F - cell that does NOT have the F factor

-F factor will replicate and pass to the F - cell

Horizontal gene transfer: Hfr Conjugation

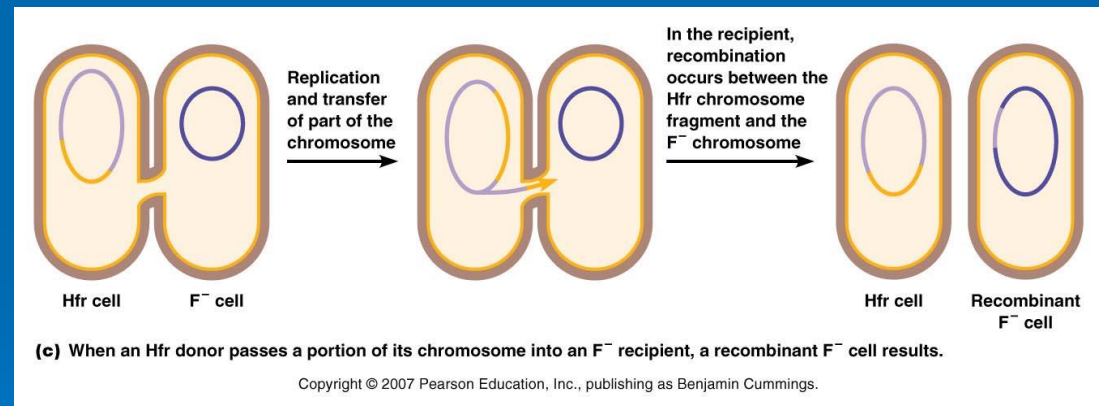
DNA transferred:

-Partial F factor with bacterial
chromosome DNA



Requirements:

-F factor will recombine with the bacterial chromosome and become a high-frequency of recombination cell (Hfr)
-Hfr will initiate conjugation with F^- cell and transfer part of F factor combined with bacterial genes.



Horizontal gene transfer compared

TABLE 8.2

Summary of the Effects of Various Transfers of Genetic Information

Kind of Transfer	Effects
Transformation	Transfers less than 1 percent of cell's DNA. Requires competence factor. Changes certain characteristics of an organism, depending on which genes are transferred.
Transduction	Transfer is effected by a bacteriophage.
Specialized	Only genes near the prophage are transferred to another bacterium.
Generalized	Fragments of host bacterial DNA of variable length and number are packed into the head of a virus.
Conjugation	Transfer is effected by a plasmid.
F ⁺	A single plasmid is transferred.
Hfr	An initiating segment of a plasmid and a linear sequence of bacterial DNA that follows the initiating segment are transferred.
F'	A plasmid and whatever bacterial genes adhere to it when it leaves a bacterium are transferred.

Independent Study

Study for Exam 2

