

# =(Chapter # 10)=

## Biotechnology

### Introduction of Biotechnology:

#### Definition:

The use of living organisms in processes for the manufacture of useful products and for the wellfare of main kind.

### Genetic Engineering:

Genetic engineering is basically called modern biotechnology.

The artificial synthesis modification removal, addition & repair genetic material (DNA)

### History:

- In **1944** working started on "Genetic Engineering" and it proves that DNA carries the genetic information.
- Scientist isolate the enzyme of DNA synthesis and then prepared the DNA outside the cell

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- In **1970** they were able to cut and ~~paste~~ paste the DNA organisms.
- In **1978** scientist prepared Insulin by inserting the Insulin gene in bacteria.
- In **1990** "Human Genomes Project" was launched to map all the genes in human cell.
- In **2002** complete map of "Human Genome Project" was launched.

## Recombinant DNA Technology.

Genetic engineering is also called "**Recombinant DNA Technology**".

It involves in artificial synthesis modification removal addition and prepare genetic material.

We can obtain million of copies of specific DNA inside a bacterial cell.  
(Recombinant DNA Technology)

## Objectives of Recombinant DNA:

- (1) Isolation of particular gene for various purpose such as gene therapy.
- (2) Production of particular RNA and protein molecules.
- (3) Production of enzyme & Drugs.
- (4) Use for the production of varieties of plants.

# Components of Recombinant DNA Technology: / Steps:

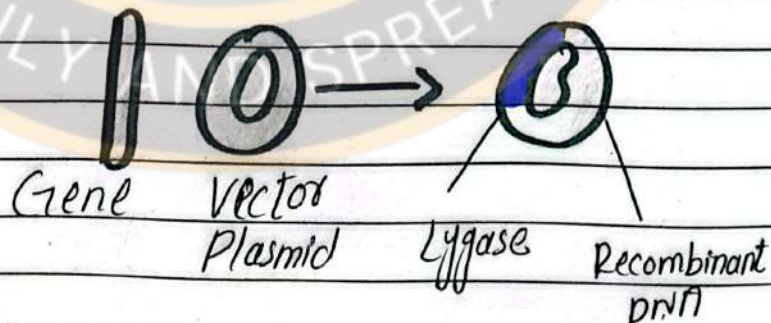
## 1) Isolation of Gene of Interest:

Genetic engineering help to identified the gene of interest of donor organisms.

### Restriction Endonucleases:

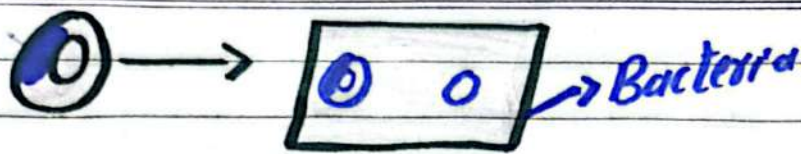
Special enzymes are used to cut the identified genes from the total DNA of donor organs.

## (2) Insestion of Gene into Vector:



- When vector DNA with gene of interest combine it to form recombinant DNA.
- Transfers of Recombinant DNA into host organisms.
- Recombinant DNA is transferred into the target host.

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### (3) Grow the GMO:

GMO are provided to stable culture medium for their growth to give as much copies of the gene of interest as needed.



### (4) Expression of Gene:

GMO contains gene of interest and used it to manufacture the desired products which is isolated from the culture medium.

## Molecular Scissors: (Restriction Endonuclease)

- It is the natural enzyme of bacteria used for protecting against virus.
- It cuts down the viral DNA it restricts the growth of virus.

The name "**Restriction Endonuclease**" is given because they are naturally found inside bacterial cell for "restrict" the growth of infecting virus.

## Discovery:

In **1970** Hamilton O smth first isolated in restriction enzyme.

## Restriction Site:

The specific site of DNA on which restriction enzymes cut the DNA

There are two types of cutting:

- (1) **Staggered cut** → Used in Recombinant DNA.
- (2) **blunt cut** → Used in polymerase chain rxn.

## Palindromic Sequence:

Sequence of four to six pairs in DNA in which nucleotide is arranged symmetrically in reverse order.

A	G	A	A	T	T	C	G	C
A	C	T	T	A	A	G	C	G

e.g:

TT GC AA  
AA CG TT

Example: E coli  
Restriction Enzyme

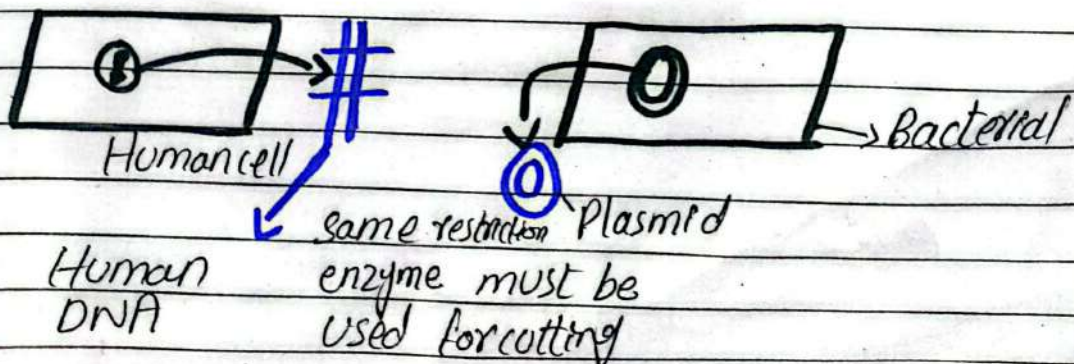
- Cuts by restriction enzyme produce single standard but complementary ends of two DNA chains called "Sticky ends"
- It can bind by complementary base pairing.

## Molecular Carriers or Vectors:

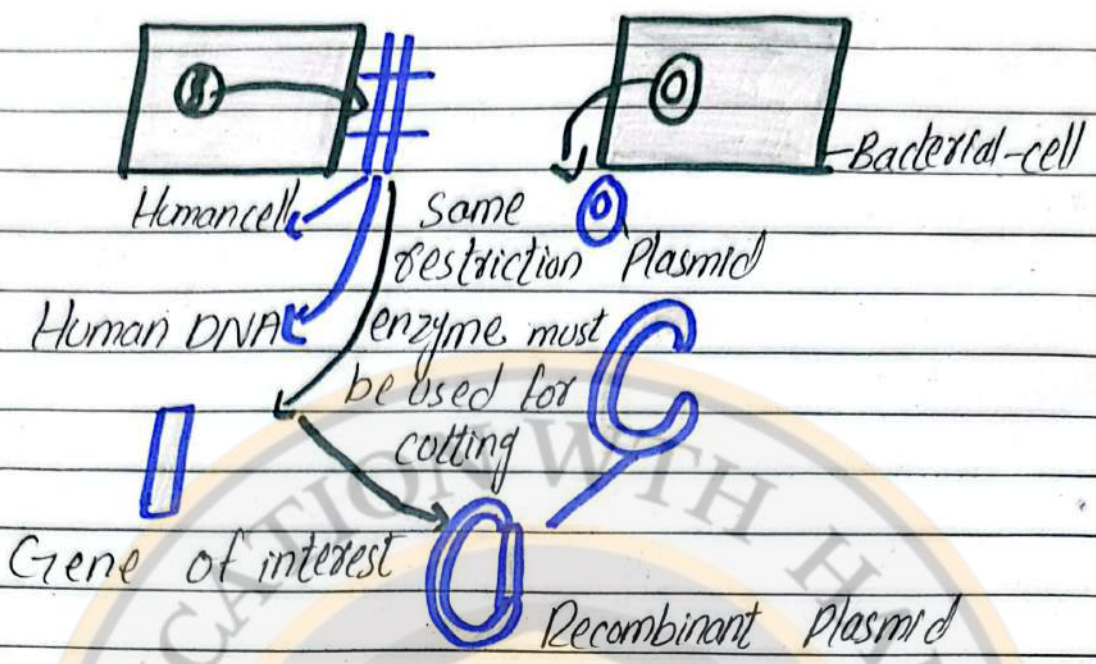
Vector are molecular carriers which are used to introduce recombinant DNA into the host cell.

Example: Plasmid.

Plasmid are natural extra chromosomal circular DNA in bacteria that carry genes from antibiotics resistance and fertility etc.



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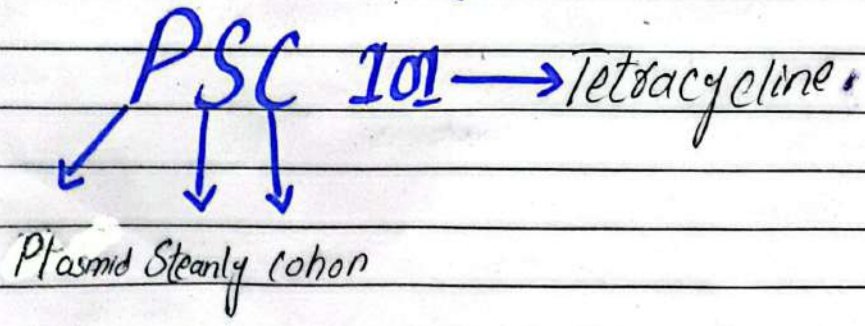
DNA Lygase seals through sticky ends  
Host cell take up recombinant plasmid.



Cloned Insulin gene can be isolated.

# Discovery (Plasmid)

It was discovered by the study of intestinal bacteria (*Escherichia coli*)



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PBR 322 → Tetracycline and Ampicilline.

We can also used bacteriophage as a vector.

## Characteristics of Plasmid:

- (1) Origin of replication site
- (2) Antibiotics resistant gene
- (3) Restriction site of different enzymes
- (4) Small size than chromosomal DNA
- (5) High copy numbers

## PBR322 Cloning Vector:

It is plasmid or cloning vector.  
 It is a foundational synthetic plasmid cloning vector using in molecular binding P for Plasmid 'BR' for 'Bolivar Rodriguez' and 322 is a number.

**Size:** Its size is about (4,362) base pairs.  
**Origin:** From P<sub>MB1</sub> allowing self replication.

There are two antibiotics resistance genes:

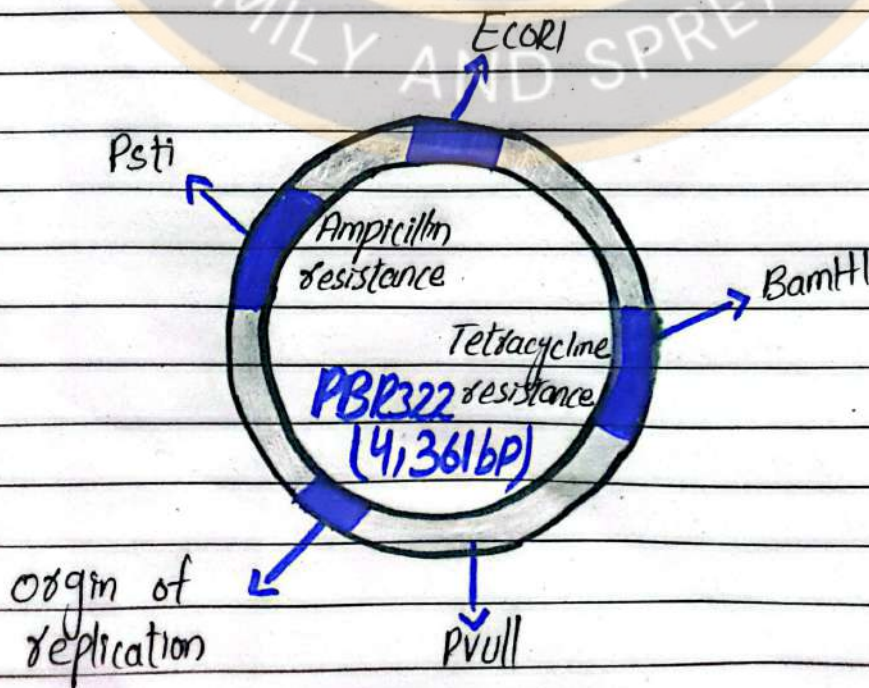
- ① Ampicillin resistance
- ② Tetracycline resistance

It has some restriction sites (E<sub>co</sub>R<sub>I</sub>, Bam<sub>H</sub>I, P<sub>st</sub>I) for cutting DNA may located in the restriction genes.

## Function:

Insestion of DNA into a restriction site within a tetracycline and ampicillin inactive that allows identification of recombinant bacteria.

**Significance:** one of the first widely used vectors makes gene cloning accessible.



# Types of Plasmid as Vector:

## (1) Cloning Vector:

To insert replicate and amplify DNA fragments.

Example: PBR322

## (2) Expression Vector:

To express the clone gene as a protein in the host cell.

## (3) Shuttle Vector:

To replicate and function two or more different host.

Example: Bacteria and some yeast.

## (4) Reporter Vector:

To monitor gene expression.

## (5) Viral Vectors:

To deliver gene into eukaryotic cells.

## Application:

It is used for:

- (1) Gene therapy
- (2) Vaccine development
- (3) Synthetic biology
- (4) Genetic Engineering
- (5) Agriculture research
- (6) Drug discovery

## Mechanisms of Formation of Recombinant DNA:

- (1) For longer quality of gene we use recombinant DNA technology.
- (2) For less quality of gene we use polymerase chain reaction.

### (1) Isolation of Gene of Interest of plasmid:

Obtain the specific DNA (gene) you want to clone and a suitable plasmid a

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circular DNA molecule from bacteria.

## (2) Cutting with Restriction Enzyme:

Use the same restriction enzymes to cut both the DNA and plasmids this creates complementary sticky ends on both DNA and plasmid.

## (3) Ligation (Joining):

Mix the cut gene fragments and the cut plasmid DNA ligase them forms permanent phosphodiester bond joining the DNA into the plasmid.

## (4) Formation of Recombinant Plasmids

The resulting recombinant DNA molecule now containing the foreign gene in the recombinant plasmid.

(5) The recombinant plasmid is introduced into the host cell for cloning.

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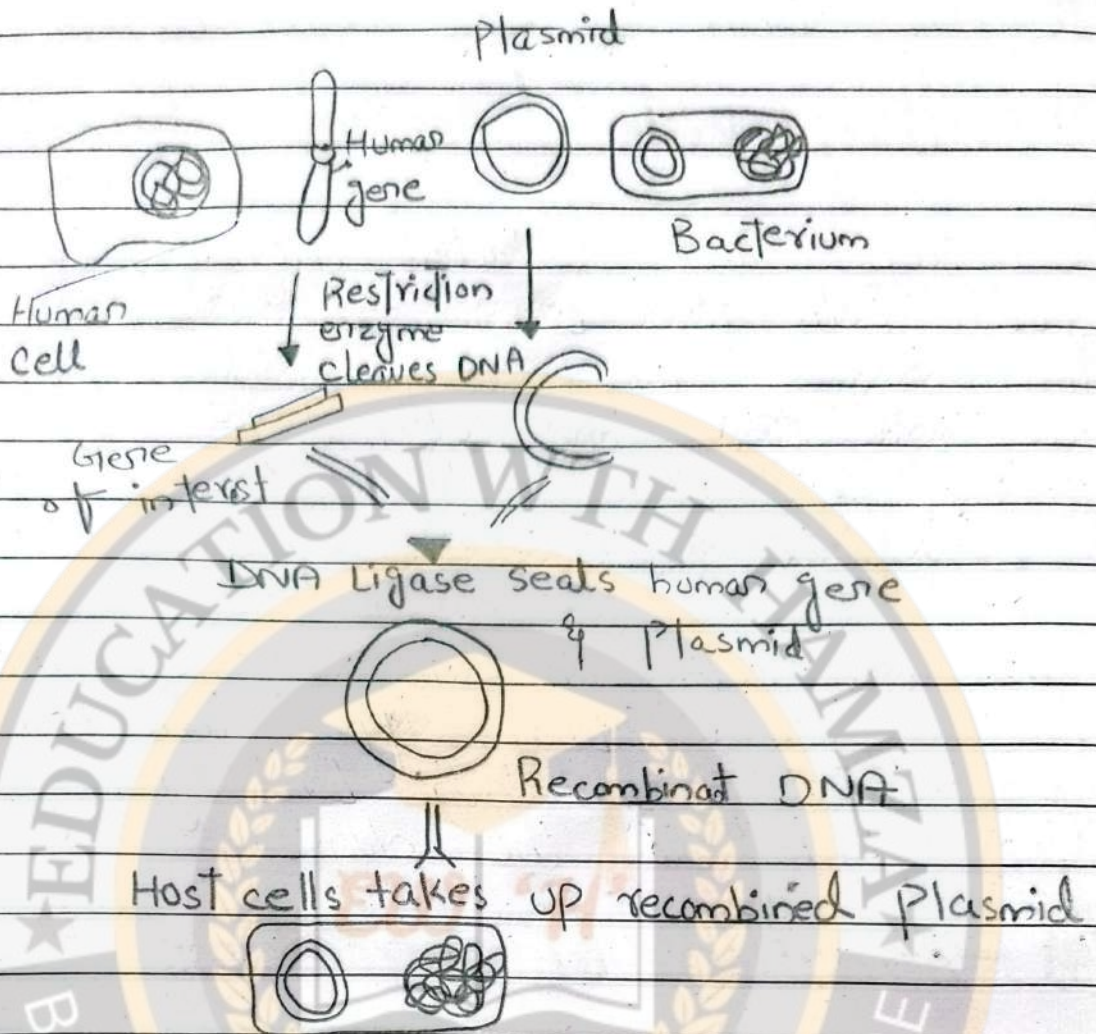


Fig: Steps for Formation of recombinant Plasmid

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# Production of Human Insulin:

## (1) Identification & Isolation of Gene:

Insulin gene produce human insulin two polypeptide chains alpha and beta.

Alpha contain 21 amino acids and beta contain 30 amino acids linked by disulphide bridge.

Genes for insulin is called **INS**. It is derived from latin word "Insula" and "Island" is located on chromosomes 11 at position 11P and gene number 15.

## (2) Selection of Suitable Plasmid:

(For Insertion of Gene)

Two commonly used plasmid for insulin.

- PBR322
- PUC18/PUC19

### (3) Creation of Recombinant DNA:

Bacteria *E. coli* cannot produce directly eukaryotic protein because two separate synthesis for alpha and beta chains. Genes are inserted separately into two plasmid under PBR322 plasmid is engineered with the help of promoter. After a transformation bacteria become transformed bacteria.

### (4) Insertion of Recombinant Plasmid Into Host:

Recombinant plasmid are then separately inserted into *E. coli* through a process called transformation.

### (5) Production of Insulin Chain:

Bacteria are allowed to grow in for large fermentors it is grown with suitable culture medium then insulin gene multiplication start.

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## (6) Extraction and Purification:

Cynogen bromide for the extraction and purification.

## (7) Folding & Disulphide bridging of both Insulin Chains:

Treated with sodium disulphide and sodium sulphide for active protein.

## (8) Purification & Testing:

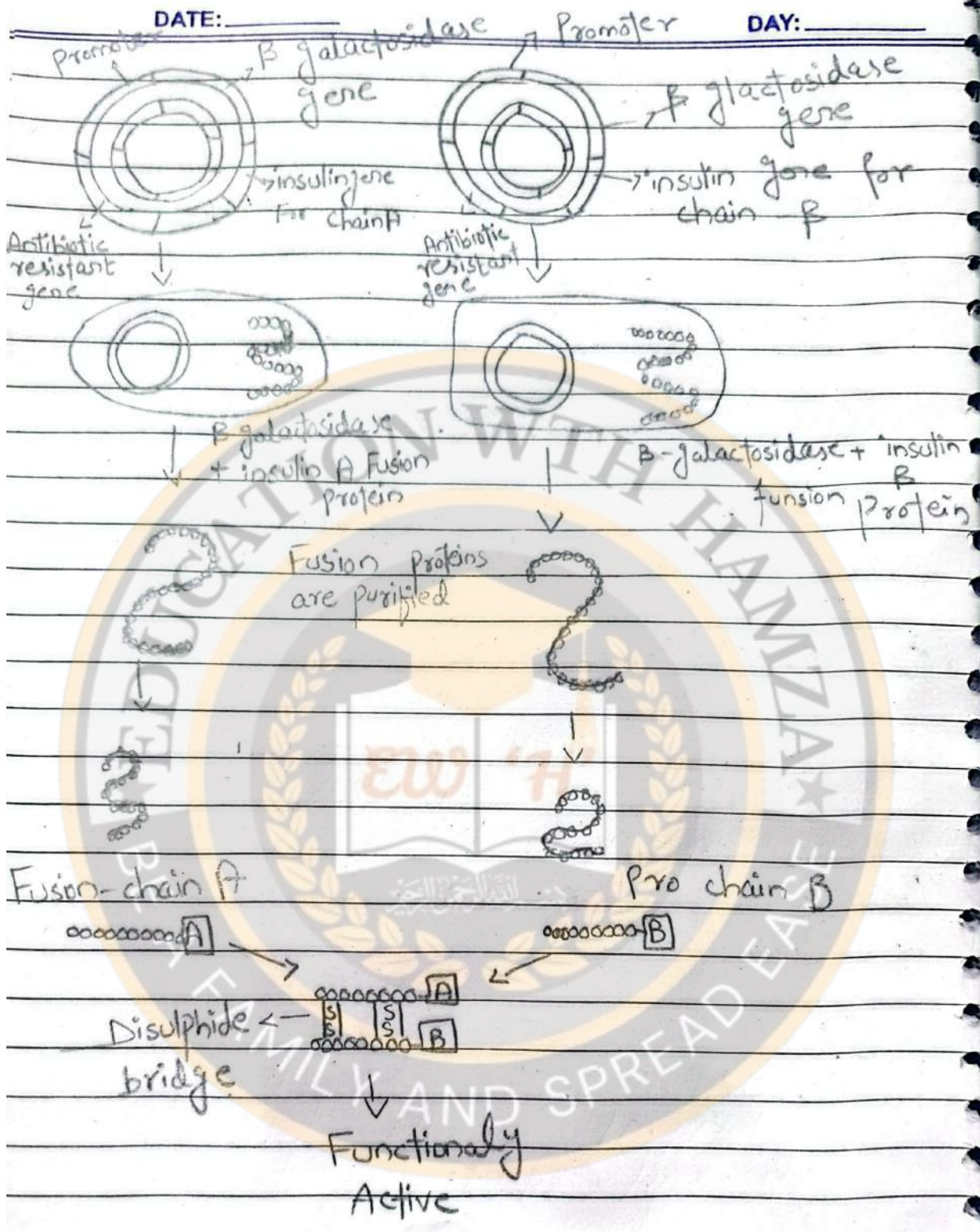
Final active Insulin is ~~active~~ further purified to remove impurities.

Testing would be done for check quality and effectiveness.

## (9) Packaging For Storage & Usage:

After conformation of best quality Insulin is packaged into vials or Insulin pens.

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# Polymerase Chain Reaction:

Kary B. Mullis in 1983 it was discovered. An enzyme DNA polymerase is used to copy given piece of DNA again and again so multiple copies are used. This technique is called PCR.

It is very quick process. Single gene of DNA can be copied.

## Mechanism:

### (1) Denaturation:

DNA is heated for one minute at  $94^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Two DNA strands get separated now double stranded DNA changes due to single strand DNA and now it work as a template.

### (2) Primer Annealing:

Primer DNA strands for two minute upto  $54^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Primer are the sequence of about 20 base that are complementary to base on either side of target DNA.

# Extension & Polymerizations

After primer bind DNA polymerase copies the target DNA. At T prime end by using dNTPs.

72°C → optimum Temperature.

DNA polymerase is temperature in sensitive (thermostable). It is expected from a bacterium which lives in hot spring. Enzyme known as Taq polymerase.

## Uses:

- Diagnosis of diseases
- Evolutionary history of human population.

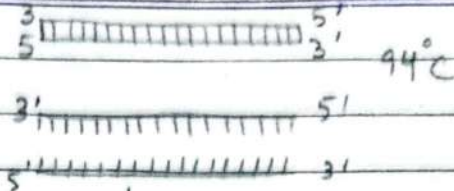
## Storage:

At the end extension temperature is set 4°C for a longer time to safely store the PCR products until it is not shifted into the same place.

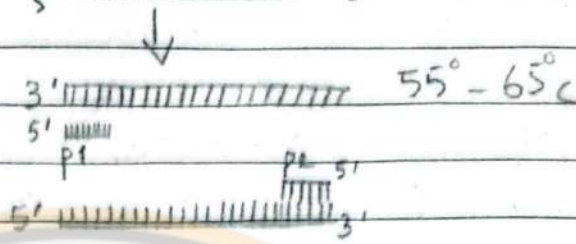
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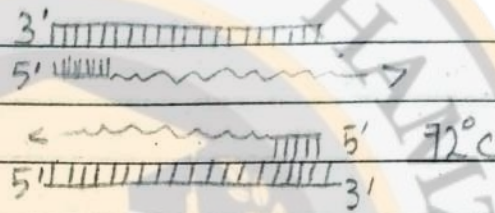
(a) Denaturation  
(1 Minute)



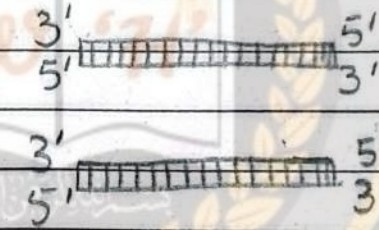
(b) Annealing  
(2 Minutes)



(c) Extension  
(1-2 Minutes)



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## Genetically Modified Organism

It is also known as transgenic organisms.  
It may be plants, animals or  
microorganisms.

**Definition:** A genetic material has  
been altered by adenine removing  
gene or modifying gene.

## (2) Transgenic Bacteria:

1970 E. coli to introduce human insulin.

E. coli producing human growth hormones.

By inserting transgenic bacteria. (Bioremediation)  
Plasmid eating bacteria.

## (2) Transgenic Plants:

First GM crop approved in 1994 one month later. Bt cotton gene produce and insecticidal protein that killed worms.

It is disease resistance.

Uses: Improve yield, Golden rice is rich with vitamin A.

## (3) Transgenic Animals:

Drug toxicity and pharmacological testing.  
For production of monoclonal antibodies. To serve as a model for human diseases.

## Concern Related to GMO:

How to dispose of microbial waste.

How to deal antibiotic resistance.

Toxicity and allergy associated.