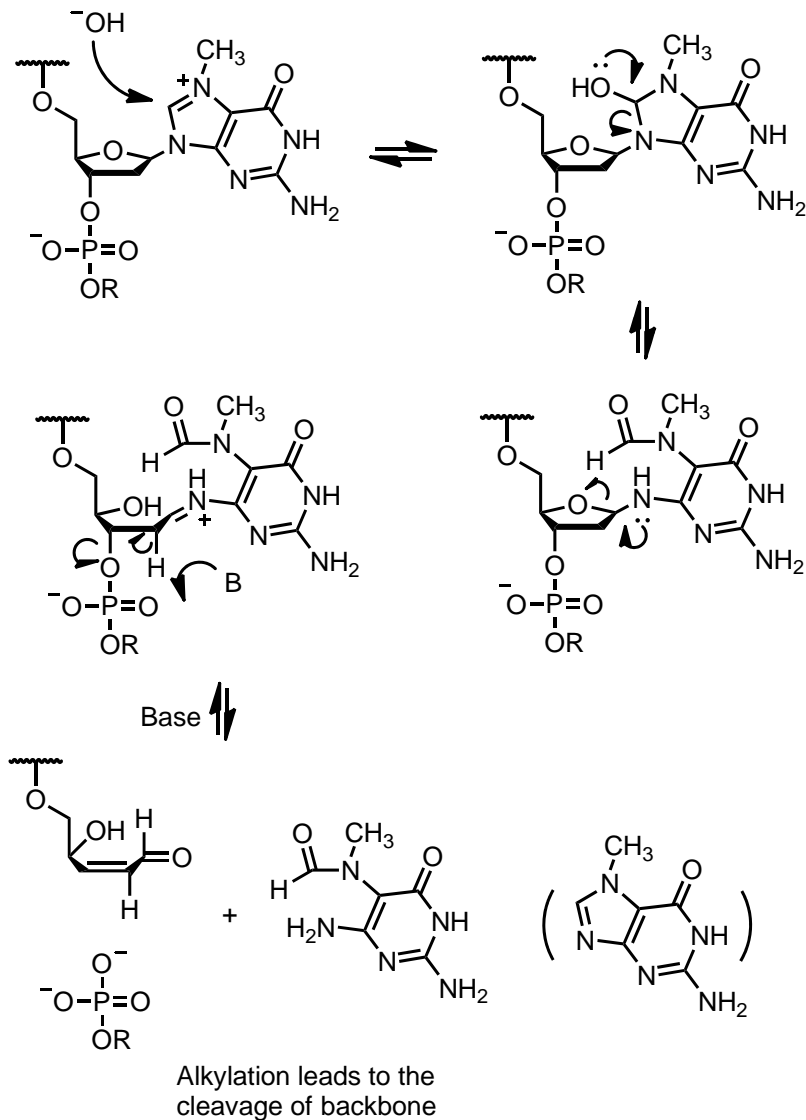


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DNA modifications

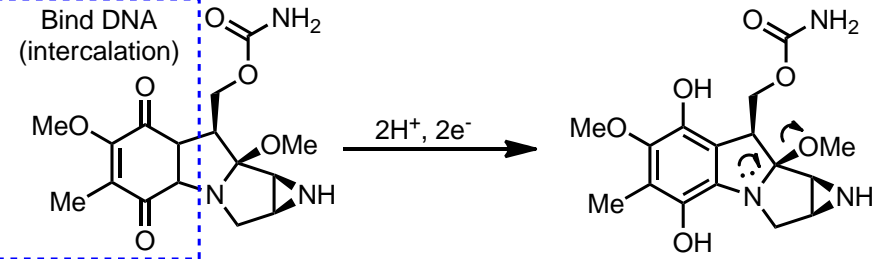
- Recall from last lecture alkylation by mustards can lead to tautomerization and mispairing
- Alkylation by mustards can also lead to interstrand crosslinking which blocks transcription and replication
- Alkylation at N7 can also lead to backbone cleavage



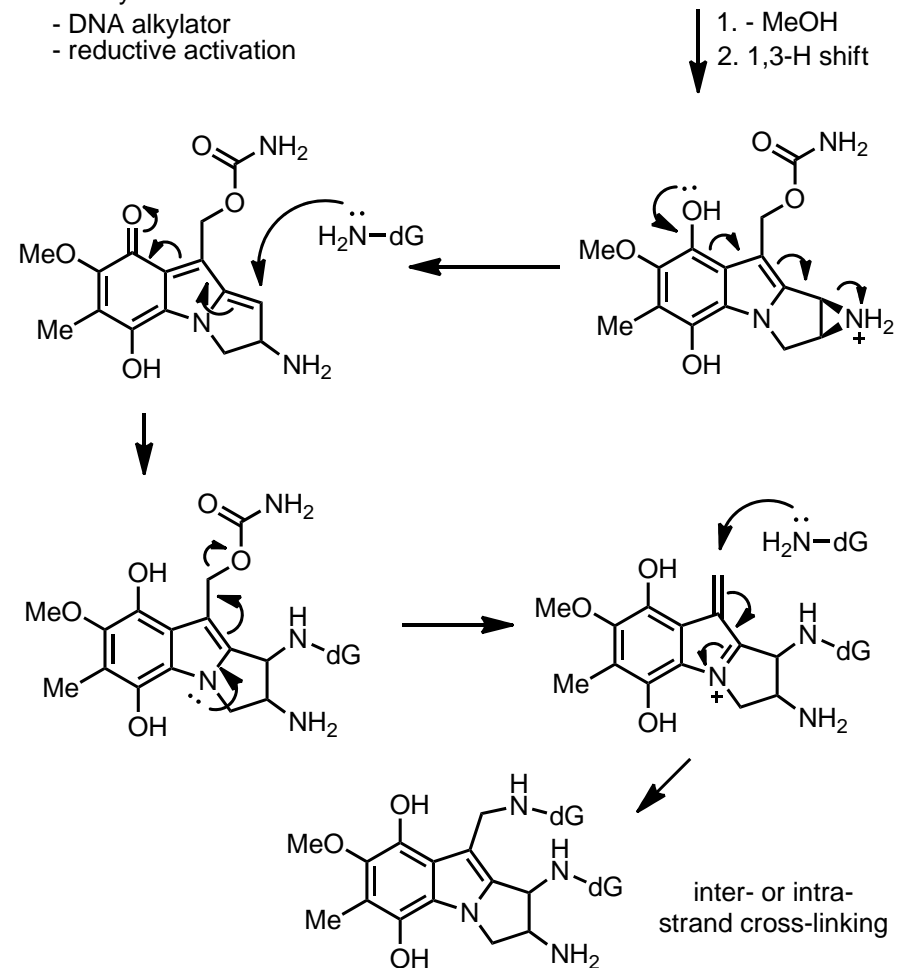
DNA crosslinking molecules

Mitomycin A

Bind DNA
(intercalation)

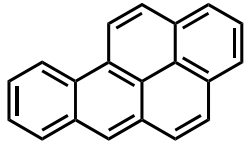


Mitomycin A
- DNA alkylator
- reductive activation

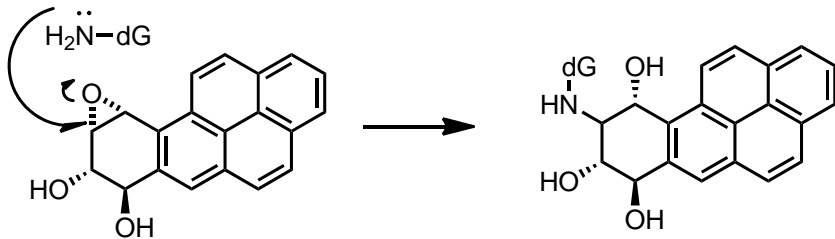
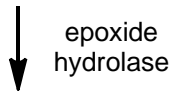


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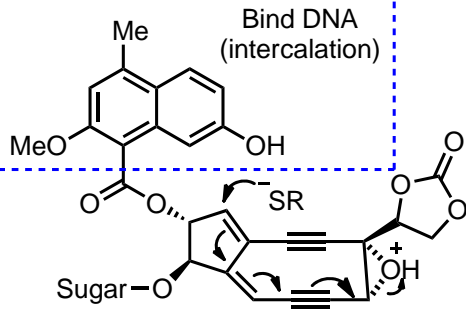
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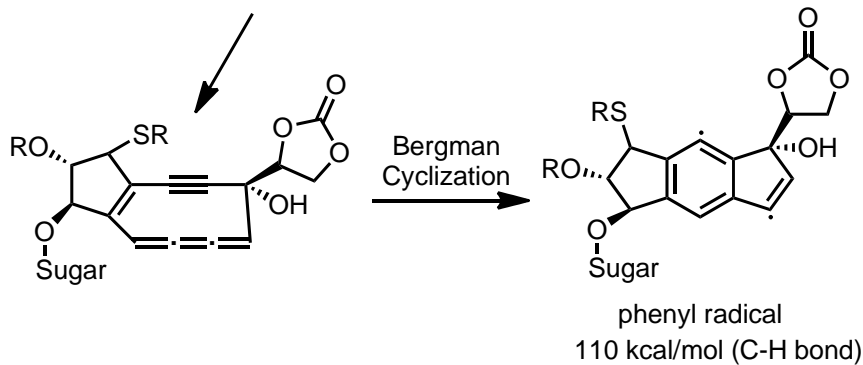
Benzopyrene
 - activated by p450 (Cyp1A1)
 - from fuel, cigarette smoke, burnt toast
 - intercalates into DNA



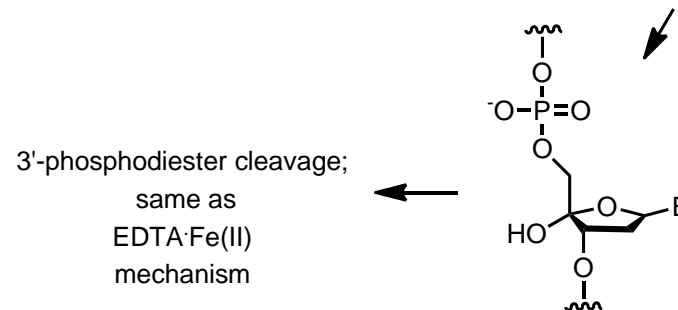
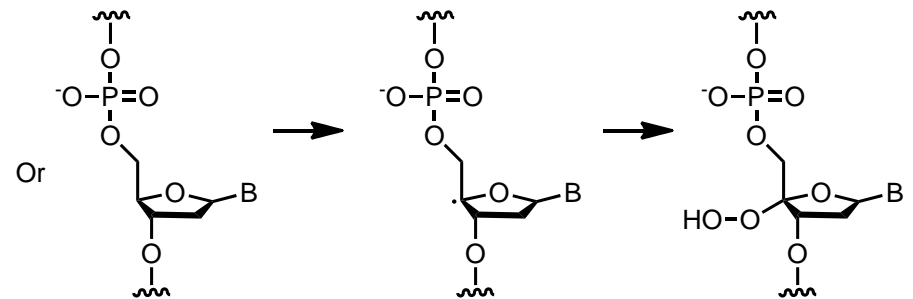
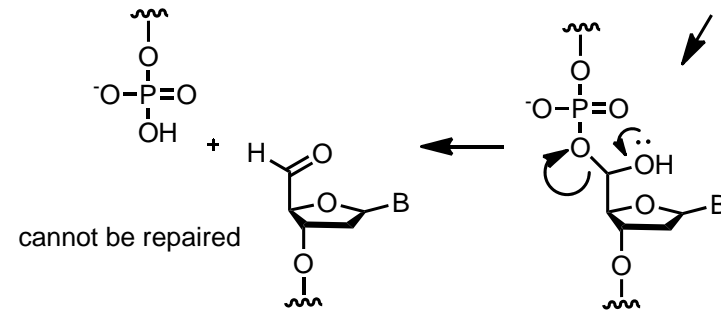
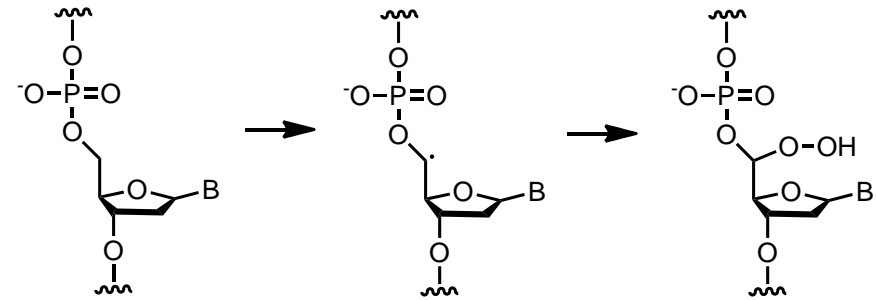
Eneidiyne (Neocarzinostatin)



Eneidiyne (Neocarzinostatin)
 - extremely toxic
 - intercalates into DNA
 - bind carrier protein



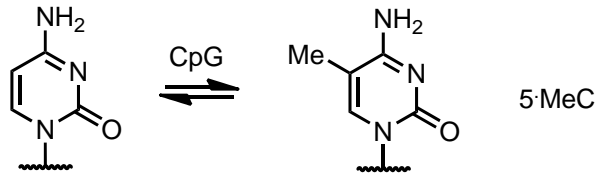
Antibiotics (function by modify DNA)



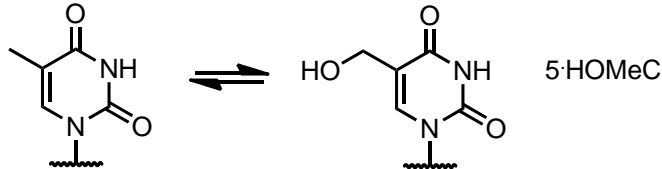
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Modification of DNA (Enzyme mediated)

-Epigenetic modifications passed on through multiple rounds of cell divisions; most common is 5-methyl-C

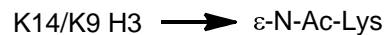


-modification of DNA causes silencing/activation of gene expression
 -DNA methyl transferases (DNMT) modify hemimethylated DNA
 -also 5-hydroxymethylcytosine found in brain



Modification of histone proteins

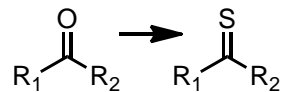
HAT histone acetyl transferase



-neutralize charged lysine (structural effects on chromatin)
 -bromodomain of transcription factors binds to ε-N-Ac-Lys (popular drug target) and recruits protein TFs and cofactors

RNA modifications

-RNA is a subject to many base modifications
 -alkylate exocyclic NH₂ of A/G/C
 -alkylate ring N of N1A, N7G, N3C

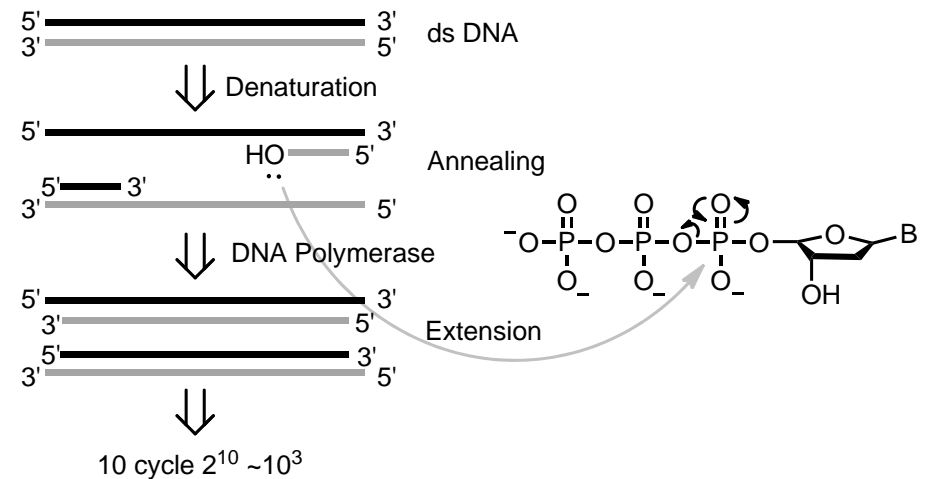


-saturate C(5)-C(4)
 -glycosylate (allow phage to identify *E. coli* genome from phage genome.)

Tools for DNA

-Synthesize
 -Sequence
 -Amplify (PCR)

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

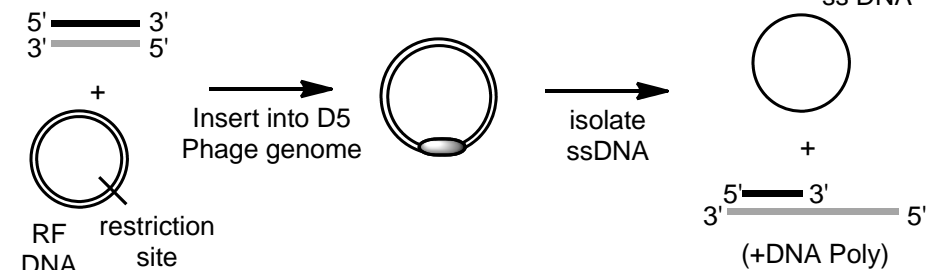


Sequencing of DNA

Chemical sequencing

-A/G/C/T specific reactions enable specify DNA modification to identify A/G/T/C

Sanger sequencing



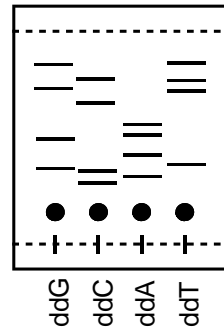
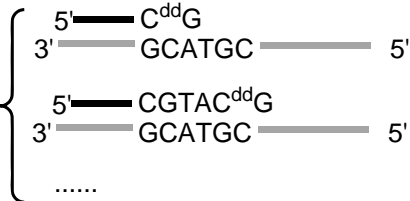
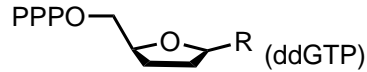
-M13 phage has ssDNA form
 -RF (replicated form) ds DNA
 -packaged form ssDNA

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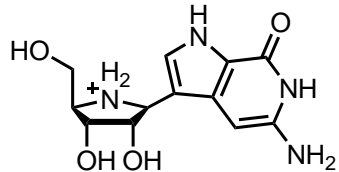
Sequencing of DNA

Sanger sequencing uses dideoxy chain terminators

Find G: add dNTPs (A/G/C/T) +



Drug for Ebola

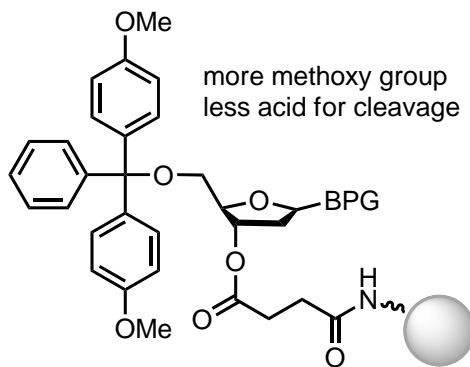


Ebola RNA polymerase will take it as a substrate
Human RNA polymerase will not take it

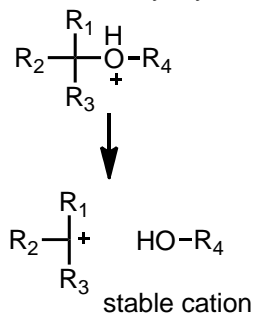
DNA synthesis

-phosphotriester
-phosphoramidite

Solid-phase synthesis-rapid way to purify reactants from products

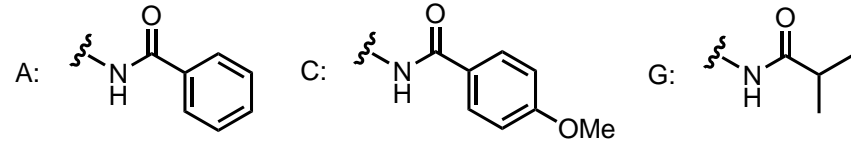


Acid labile
DMT dimethoxytrityl

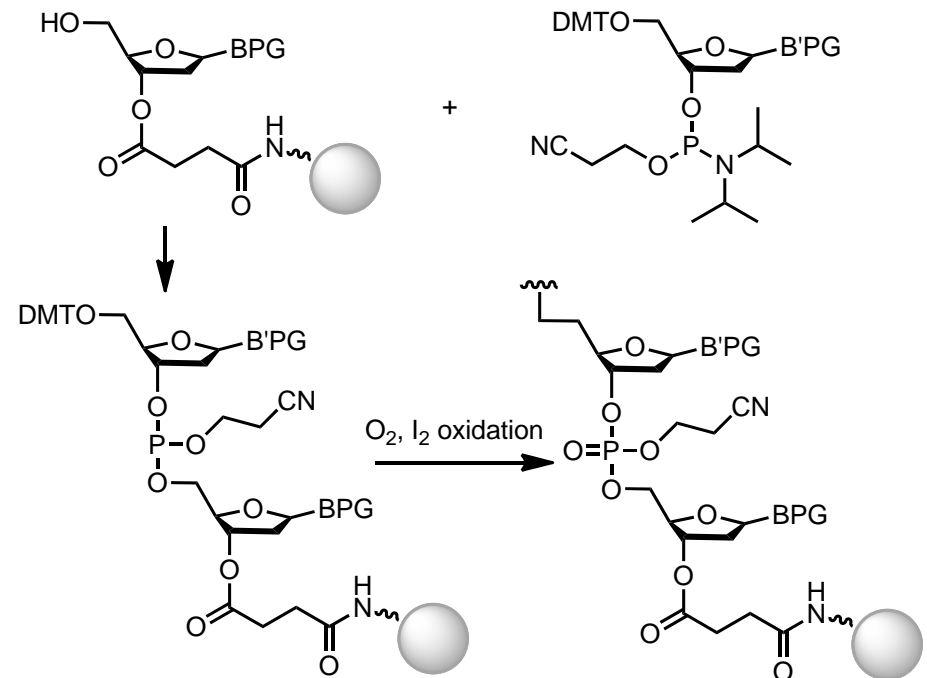


DNA synthesis (continue)

Base labile



Acid Label/Base Label-orthogonal protecting groups



beta elimination
to avoid phosphodiester bond
cleavage

1. H⁺ deprotection
2. coupling
3. solid phase purification