D-Loop in Mitochondrion

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### Life Forms

#### All life forms were poorly designed.

 Too many compromises had to be made to deal with many different external requirements.

### Plants

- Plants were better designed.
- External constraints are much less stringent.
- They acquire energy from sun light.
- They do not have to move.

## Animals

- Animals were much more difficult to designed.
- They acquire energy from eating. Foods must be digested, and stored away.
- They have to move by burning stored nutrients for energy.

# **Respiratory and Circulatory Systems**

- Oxygen is required to produce energy.
- Oxygen is toxic.
- Red cells must be sacrificed to carry oxygen to cells.
- Mitochondria are incorporated to oxidize nutrients for ATP.
- Oxygen escaping mitochondria must be neutralized by vitamin C.

## Mitochondria

- Smallest endosymbiotic organisms required by all cells.
- Its DNA genome is inherited from mother, independent of nuclear genomes.
- Human mitochondrion has 16,569 bases.

### Mitochondria



# **Mitochondrial Genome**

#### It encodes 37 genes:

- 13 for <u>subunits</u> of respiratory complexes I, III, IV and V
- 22 for mitochondrial <u>tRNA</u> (for the 20 standard amino acids)
- 2 extra genes for leucine and serine
- 2 for <u>rRNA</u>
- One mitochondrion can contain two to ten copies of its DNA.



# **Mitochondrial D-Loop**

#### Three sections (1122 bases):

- Left section, 371 (16024-16394)
- Central section, 309 (16395-134)
- Right section, 442 (135-576)
- Conserved blocks
  - Termination Associated Sequences
  - Central Section
  - Conserved Sequence Blocks

## **Conserved Blocks in D-Loop**



# **D-Loop Base Map (1997)**

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# D-Loop Base Map (2017)

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# Longest Repeated Patterns

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### **Longest Patterns**

#### The longest repeated patterns in the central conserved sections are:

- caccctat
- tgggggta/tggggta
- gacatc
- What I expect are:
  - Call and return
  - Jump and conditional jump

### **Secrets of Life**

- Central conserved section in mitochondrial D-Loop looks like a computer program.
- We need to look up the code, caccctat, tgggggta/tggggta and gacatc in nuclear genomes to see if they are parts of genetic programs.



# **Questions?**



## **Thank You!**