

Lecture 2

Advanced physiological genetics

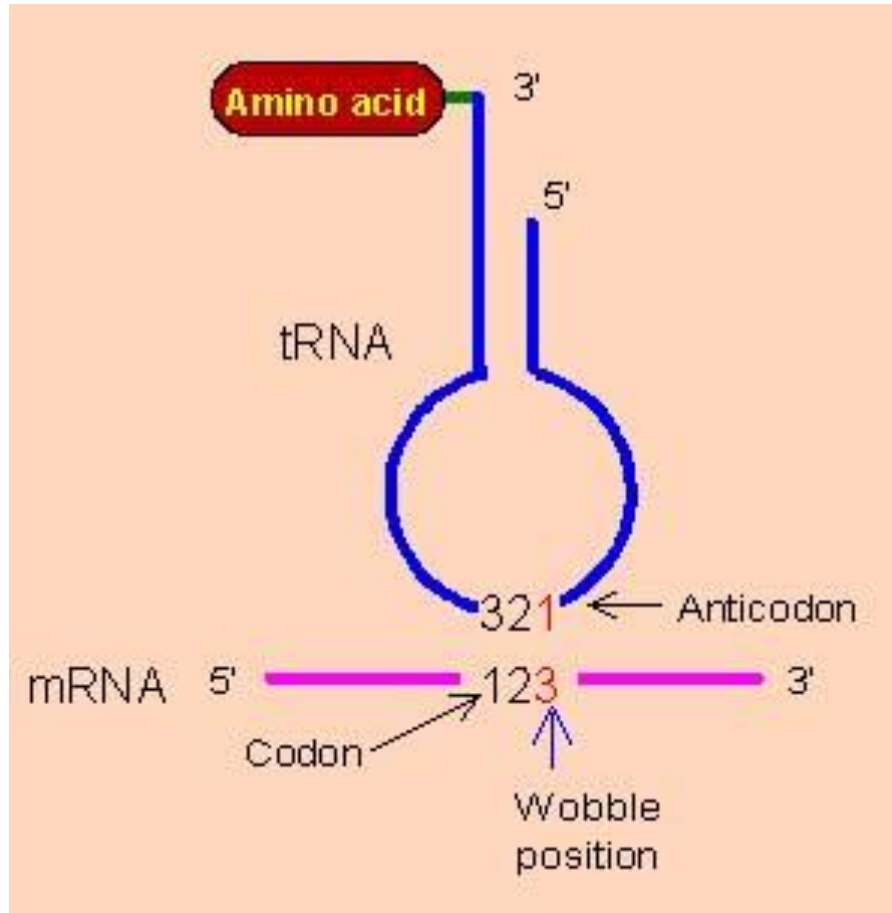
Protein synthesis

- **Aspects of protein synthesis**
- **Mechanism of protein synthesis
(Prokaryotic)**
- **Initiation in eukaryotes**
- **Translational control and post-translational events**

Some highly purified tRNA molecules were found to interact with more than one codon, and this ability is correlated with the presence of **modified nucleosides in the 5'-anticodon position, particularly inosine (formed by post-transcriptional processing of adenosine by anticodon deaminase)**

Wobble

To explain the redundancy of the genetic code. 18 aa are encoded by more than one triplet codons which usually differ at 5'-anticodon base



5'-anticodon base is able to undergo more movement than the other two bases and can thus form non-standard base pairs as long as the distances between the ribose units are close to normal.

Ribosome binding site (Shine-Dalgarno sequence)

- **Solely for prokaryotic translation**
- **A purine-rich sequence usually containing all or part of the sequence 5'-AGGAGGU-3'**
- **Upstream of the initiation codon in prokaryotic mRNA**
- **To position the ribosome for initiation of protein synthesis**

Shine-Delgarno element

