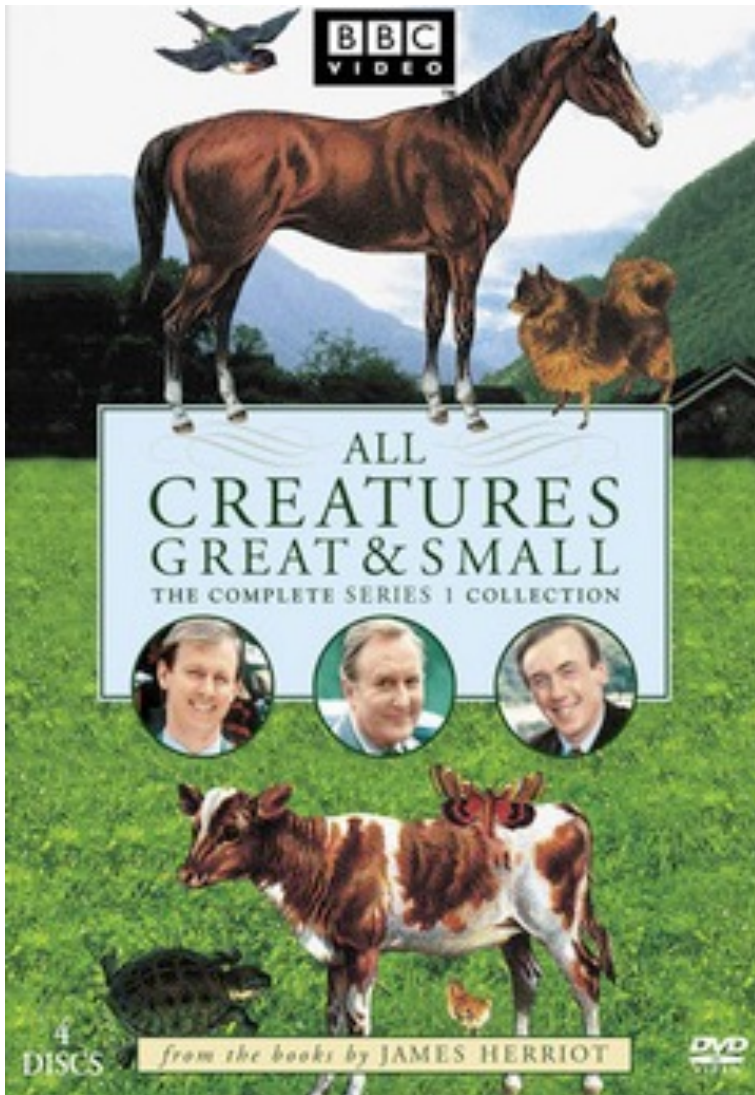


All RNAs great and small

lecture 3



RNA enzymes and complexes

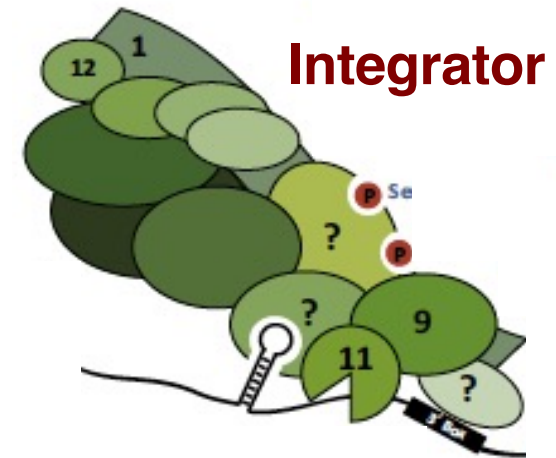
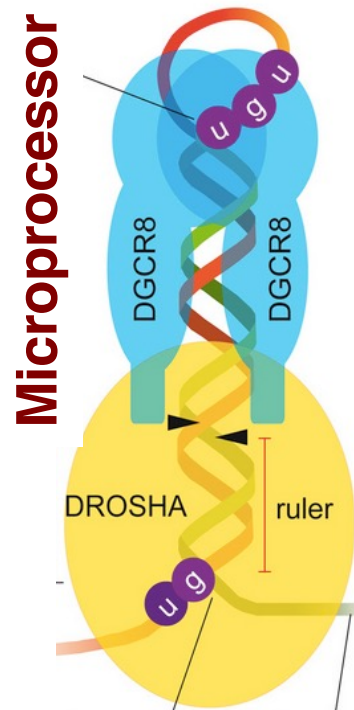
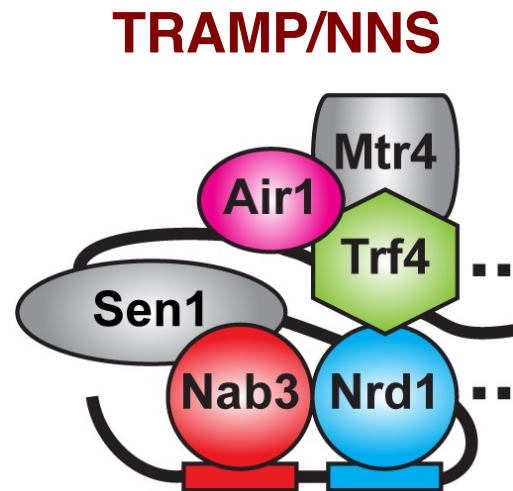
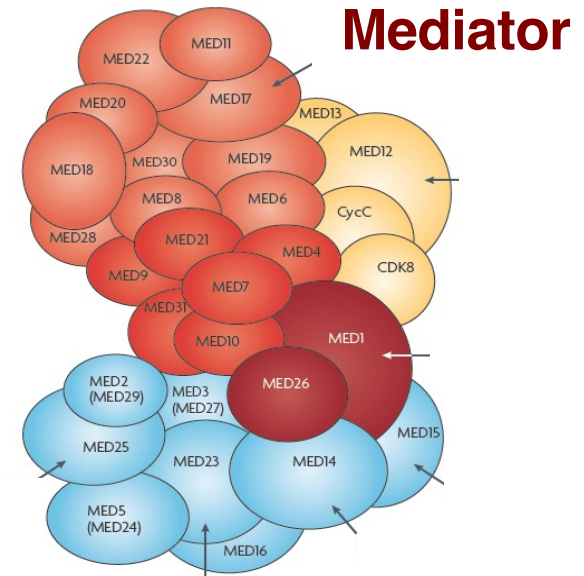
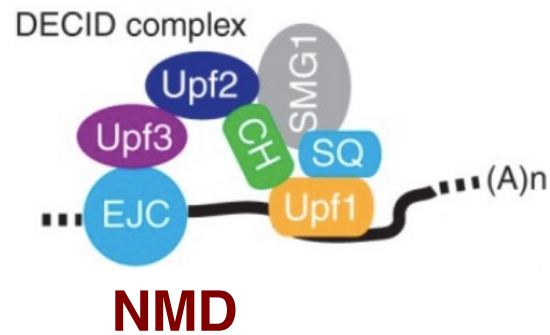
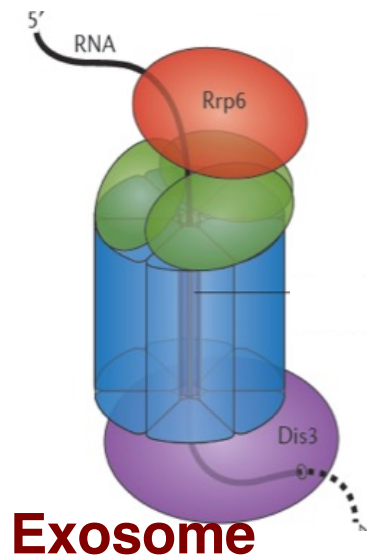
RNA granules

RNA decay

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RNA enzymes and complexes



RNA processing and decay machinery: RNases

| Protein | Function | Characteristics |
|--|--|--|
| <u>Exonucleases 5'→3'</u> | | |
| Xrn1 | cytoplasmic, mRNA degradation | processive |
| Rat1/XRN2 | nuclear, pre-rRNA, sn/snoRNA, pre-mRNA processing and degradation | |
| Rrp17/hNOL12 | nuclear, pre-rRNA processing | |
| <u>Exosome 3'→5' multisubunit exo/endo complex</u> | | |
| Rrp44/Dis3 | catalytic subunit | subunits organized as in bacterial PNPase Exo/PIN domains, processive |
| Rrp4, Rrp40 | pre-rRNA, sn/snoRNA processing, mRNA degradation participates in NMD, ARE-dependent, non-stop decay | |
| Rrp41-43, 45-46 | | |
| Mtr3, Ski4 | | |
| Mtr4 | nuclear helicase cofactor | DEAD box |
| Rrp6 (Rrp47) | nuclear exonuclease (Rrp6 BP, cofactor) | RNase D homolog, processive |
| Ski2,3,7,8 | cytoplasmic exosome cofactors. SKI complex | helicase, GTPase |
| <u>Other 3'→5' and 5'→3'</u> | | |
| Rex1-4 | 3'-5' exonucleases, rRNA, snoRNA, tRNA processing | RNase D homolog |
| DXO | 5'-3' exonuclease in addition to decapping | |
| ERI1 | 3'-5' exonuclease, rRNA processing, histone mRNA decay | |
| <u>mtEXO 3'→5'</u> mitochondrial degradosome RNA degradation in yeast | | |
| Suv3/ Dss1 | helicase/ 3'-5' exonuclease | DExH box/ RNase II homolog |
| <u>Deadenylation</u> | | |
| Ccr4/NOT/Pop2 | major deadenylase complex (Ccr, Caf, Pop, Not proteins) | Ccr4- Mg ²⁺ dependent endonuclease |
| Pan2p/Pan3 | additional deadenylases (polyA tail length) | RNase D homolog, poly(A) specific nuclease |
| PARN | mammalian deadenylase | RNase D homolog, poly(A) specific nuclease |
| <u>Endonucleases</u> | | |
| RNase III | | |
| -Rnt1 | pre-rRNA, sn/snoRNA processing, mRNA degradation | dsRNA specific |
| -Dicer, Drosha | siRNA/miRNA biogenesis, functions in RNAi | PAZ, RNA BD, RNase III domains |
| Ago2 Slicer | mRNA cleavage in RNAi | |
| SMG6 | mRNA cleavage in NMD | PIN domain |
| RNase P | 5' tRNA end processing | RNP complex |
| RNase MRP | pre-rRNA processing | RNP complex, similar to RNase P |
| RNase L | rRNA degradation in apoptosis | oligo 2-5A dependent (ppp(A ₂ 'p) _n A) |
| ELAC2/Trz1 | 3' tRNA endonuclease | PDE motif and Zn ²⁺ binding motif |
| Utp24 Nob1 Las1 | pre-rRNA processing at sites A0, D and C2 | |

Eukaryotic auxiliary decay factors

Protein

Function / Characteristics

5' → 3' decay: decapping

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Dcp1/Dcp2 | Dcp2- pyrophosphatase catalytic activity, Nudix domain, Dcp1- protein binding |
| Hedls/Ge-1/Edc4 | decapping cofactor, WD40 domain |
| Edc1,2,3 | decapping enhancers, stimulate cap binding/catalysis, Edc1-2 (yeast), Edc3 (all eukaryotes) |
| Dhh1 | DexD/H ATPase, decapping activator by translation repression |
| Lsm1-7 | decapping activator, heptameric complex, binds mRNA 3' end-U rich tracts |
| Pat1 | decapping activator by translation repression |
| DXO | pyrophosphohydrolase, 5' decapping endonuclease, deNADding, 5'OH hydrolase |

TRAMP complex: exosome cofactors, nuclear RNA QC, polyadenylation-dependent degradation.

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| Trf4/Trf5 (hTRF4-2) | nuclear alternative poly(A) polymerases |
| Mtr4 (hMTR4) | DEAD box helicase |
| Air1/Air2 (ZCCHC7) | RNA binding proteins |

NEXT and PAXT complexes: exosome cofactors, nuclear RNA QC

| | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| hMTR4 | DEAD box helicase |
| RMB7/ZCCHC8 | NEXT RNA binding proteins |
| ZFC3H1 | PAXT RNA binding protein |
| PABPN1 | PAXT nuclear polyA binding protein |

Nrd1-Nab3-Sen1 complex: PolII termination of ncRNAs, TRAMP-dependent degradation

| | |
|------|---|
| Nrd1 | Pol II C-terminal domain (CTD) binding, RNA binding |
| Nab3 | RNA binding |
| Sen1 | RNA helicase |

CBCA-NEXT, CBCA-PAXT and RESTRICTOR complexes: nuclear RNA QC

| | | |
|--------------|------|--|
| CBC | CBCA | nuclear cap binding complex |
| ARS2 | | RNA binding, Pol II transcription, termination, RNA decay |
| ZC3H18 | | NEXT, zinc finger protein |
| ZFCH1 | | PAXT nuclear polyA binding protein |
| ZC3H4, WDR82 | | RESTRICTOR Pol II termination, RNA Decay by NEXT and exosome complexes |

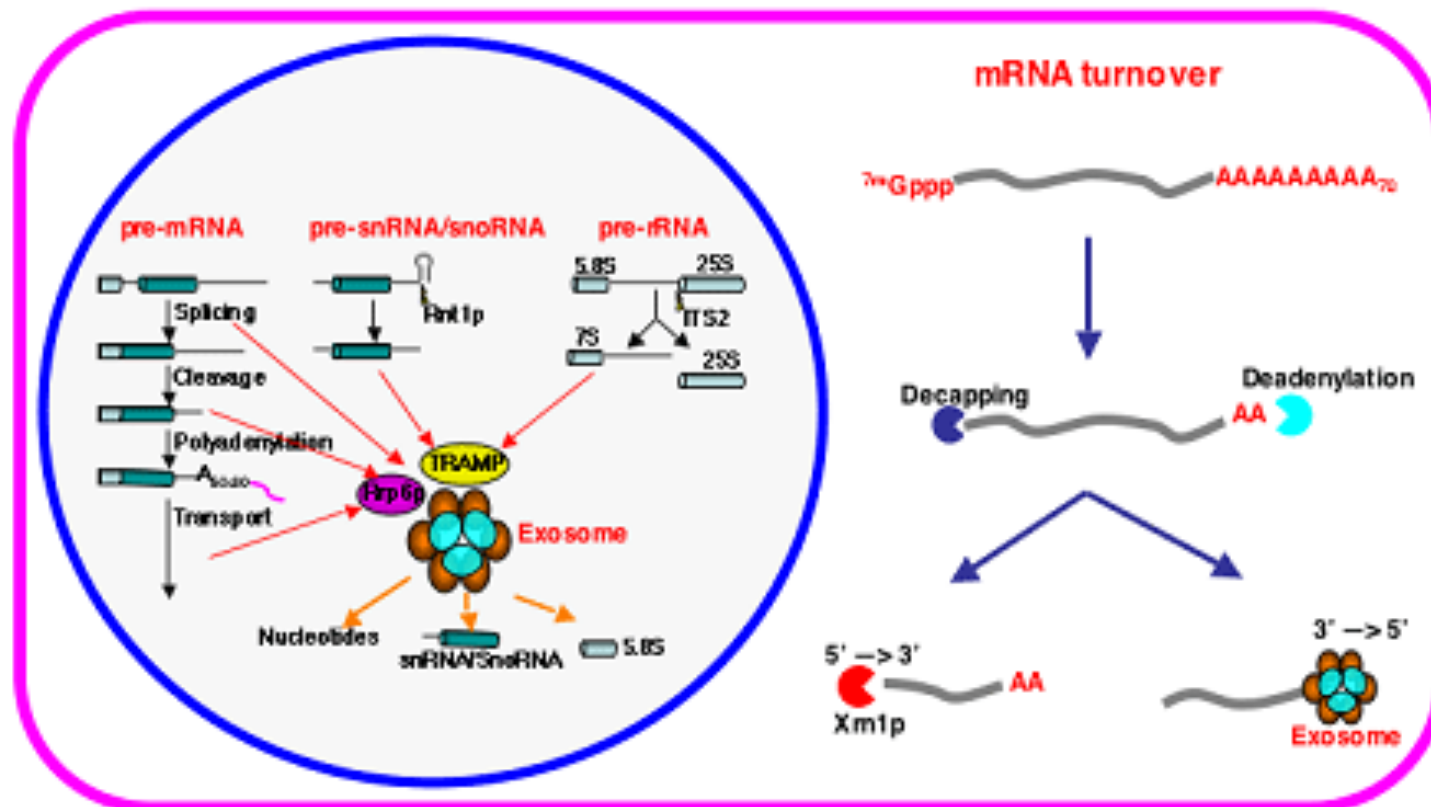
EXOSOME: 3'→5' decay machinery: functions

NUCLEAR: Rrp6 and core components have partly separate functions

- 3' -end processing of 5.8S rRNA, sn/snoRNAs, tRNAs, SRP RNA
- degradation of pre-mRNAs, tRNAs, sn/snoRNAs
- degradation of other ncRNAs: CUTs, PROMPTS

CYTOPLASMIC:

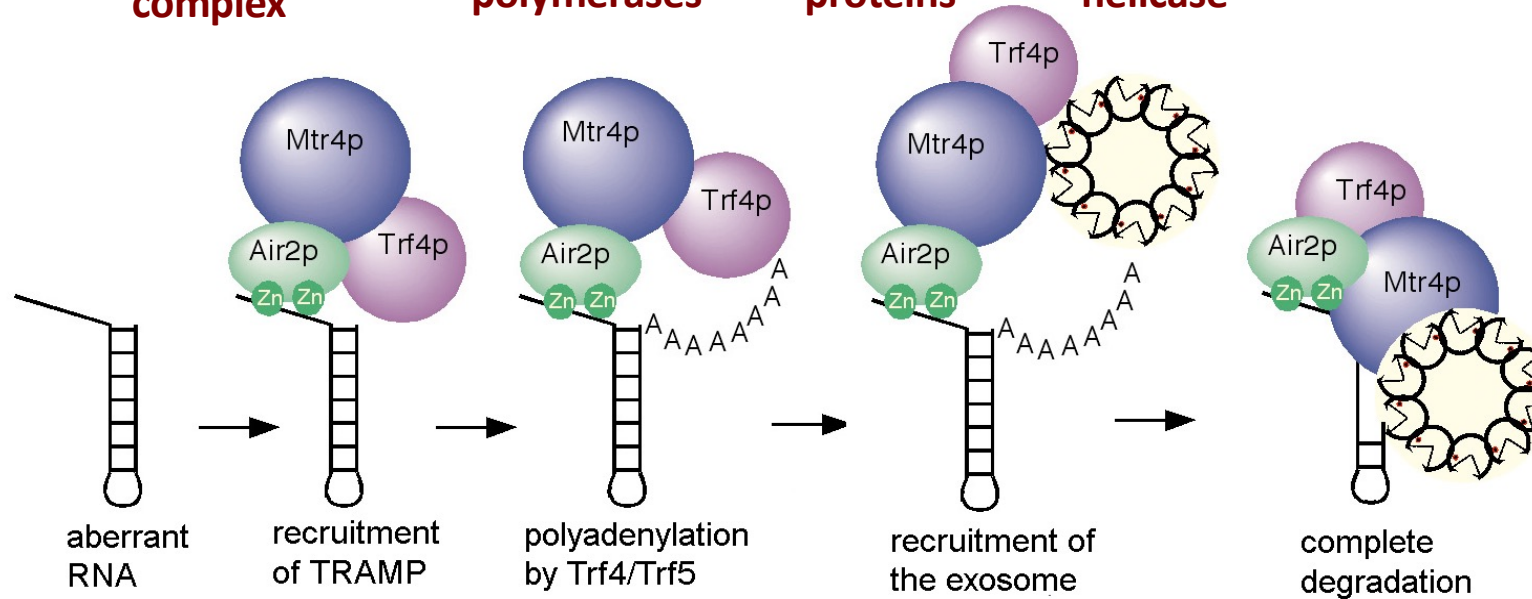
- generic mRNA decay
- specialised mRNA decay pathways: NMD, NSD, NO-GO decay, ARE-dependent decay



TRAMP – exosome cofactor

yeast

TRAMP = Trf4/5 + Air1/2 + Mtr4
polyadenylation complex poly(A) polymerases RNA binding proteins RNA DEVH helicase

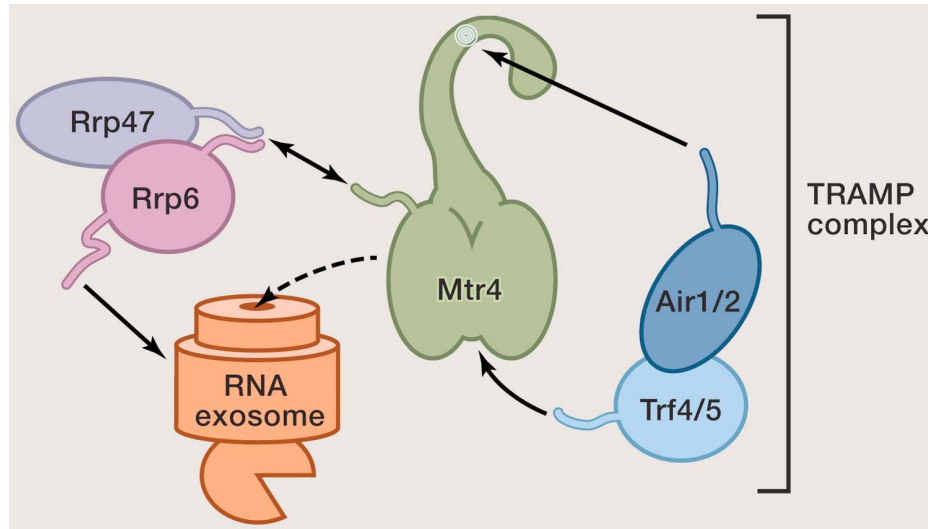


Polyadenylation-mediated nuclear discard pathway for defective and excessive RNAs

- hypomodified tRNAs, pre-tRNAs
- ncRNAs:
 - sn/snoRNAs, rRNAs
 - CUTs (Cryptic Unstable Transcripts)
- some mRNAs

TRAMP interacts with
- exosome via Mtr4
- Nrd1/Nab3/Sen1 complex

TRAMP + Exosome = nuclear RNA surveillance



Mtr4 – DEAH box RNA helicase

Air1/2 – RNA binding proteins

Trf4/5 – poly(A) polymerases

Substrate specificity conferred by Trf4/5

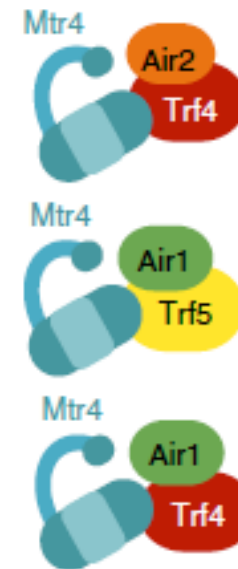
Air1/2 are highly redundant

SUBSTRATES

TRAMP 4-2: mRNA, ncRNA

TRAMP 5-1: pre-rRNA

TRAMP 4-1: mRNA, introns

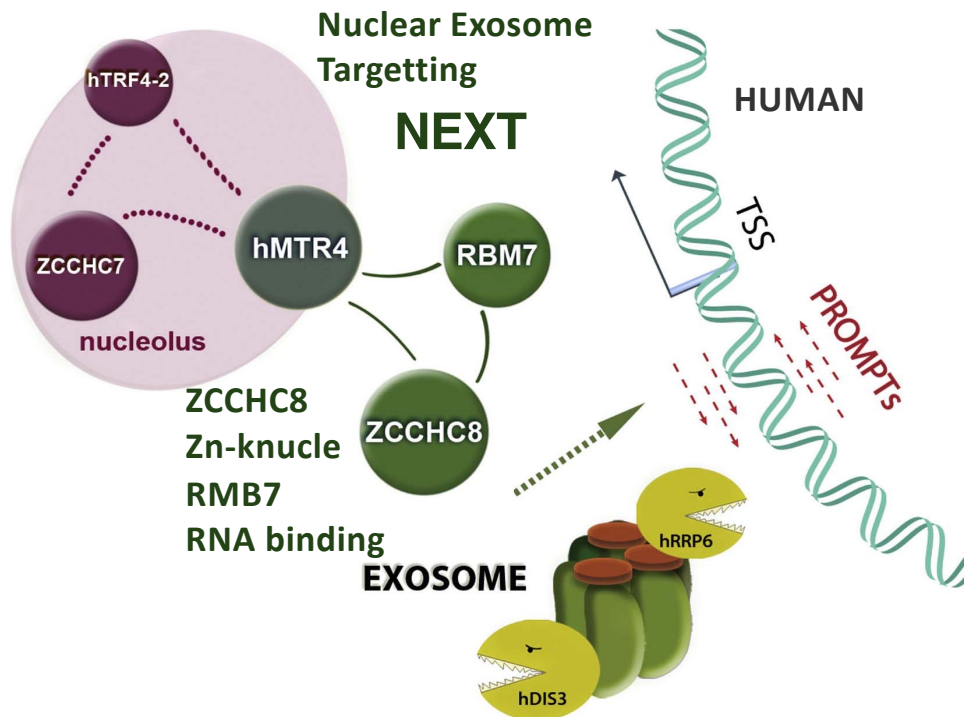


TRAMP

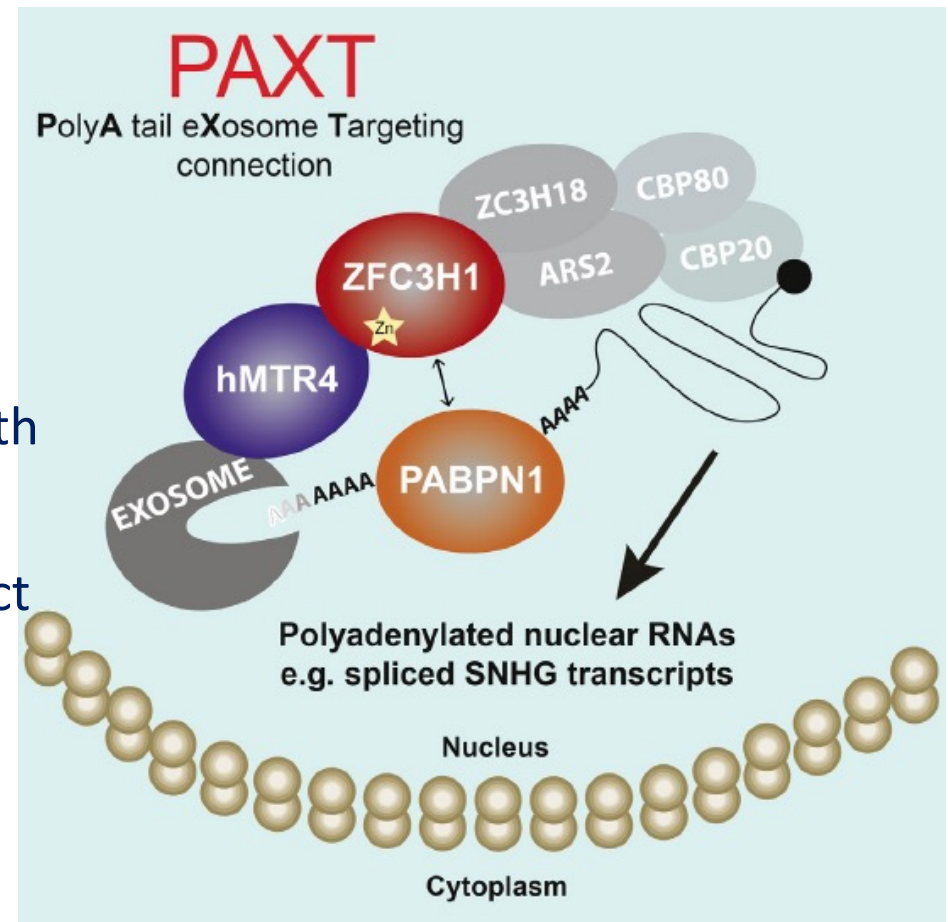
- interacts with the exosome via Mtr4 - role in degradation
- role in sn/snoRNA 3' end processing together with the exosome
- interacts with Nrd1/Nab3 complex - role in ncRNA Pol II termination
- role in transcription silencing in *S. cerevisiae* and *S. pombe* (Cid14)

NEXT and PAXT - exosome cofactors

mammals

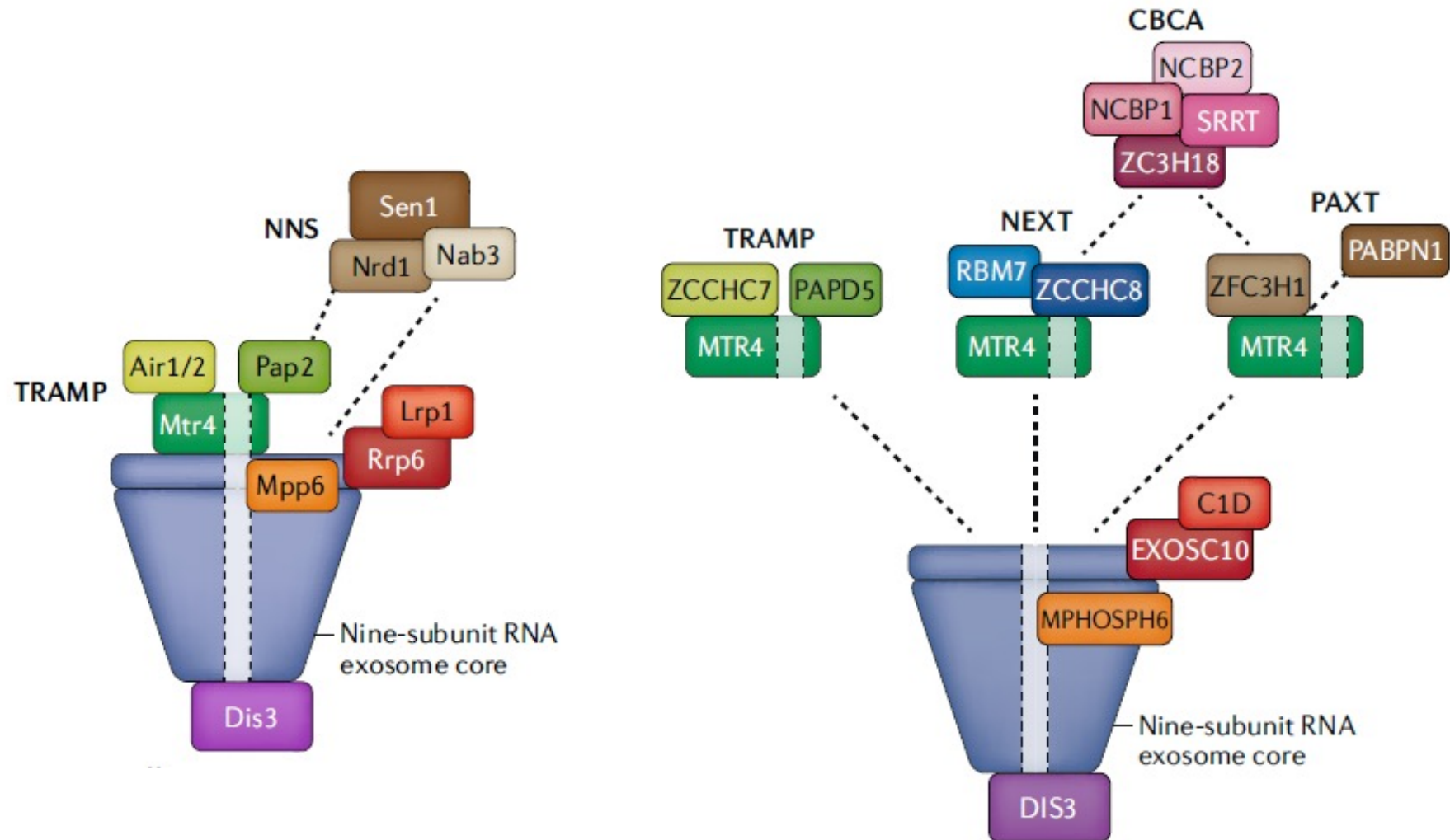


MTR4- associated complexes

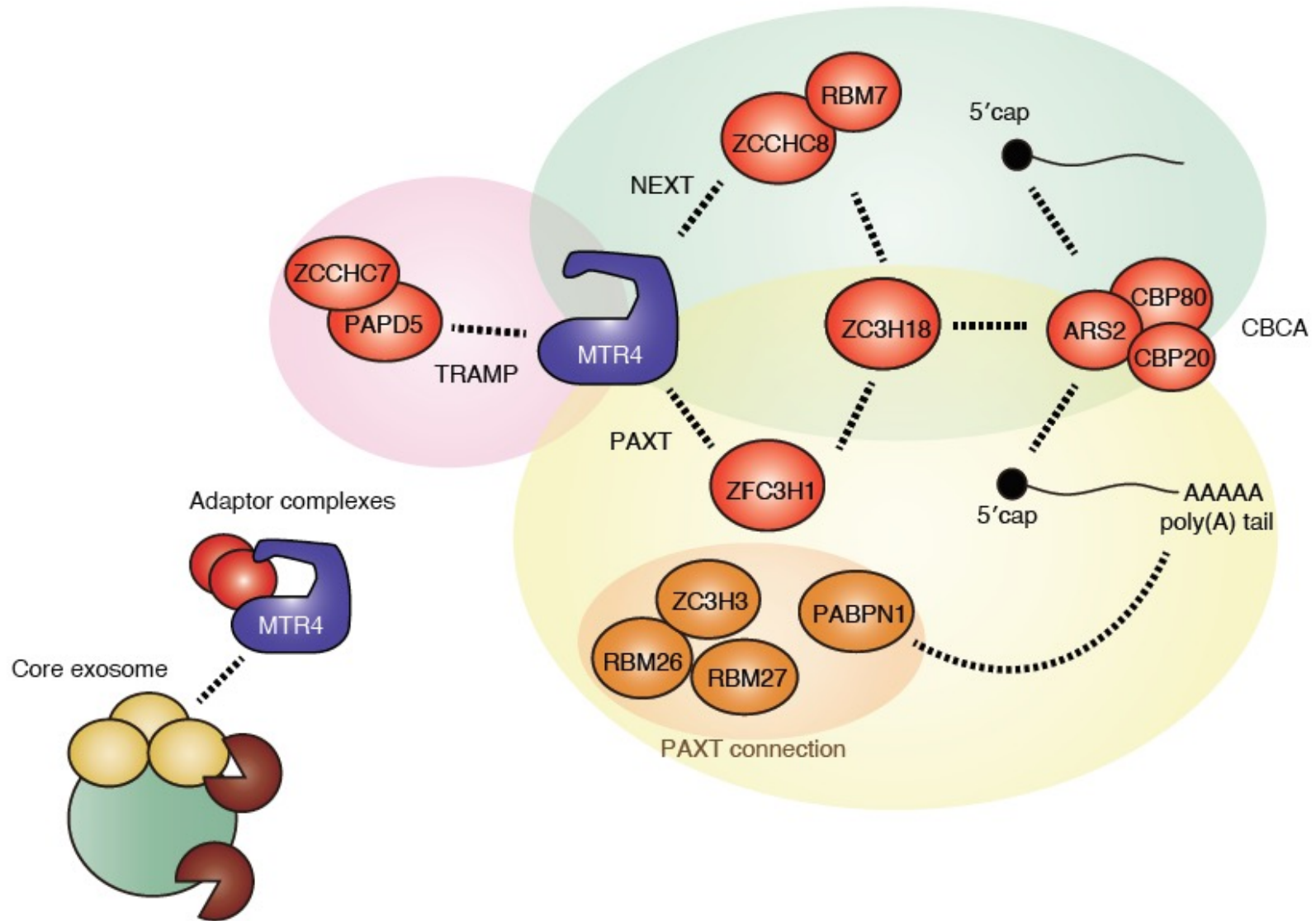


- ZFC3H1 (Zn-knuckle protein) links MTR4 with PABPN1 in PAXT
- ZFC3H1/PABPN1 and RBM7/ZCCHC8 interact with MTR4 in a mutually exclusive manner
- PAXT and NEXT direct distinct RNA species for nuclear exosome degradation
- PAXT targets tend to be longer and more extensively polyadenylated than NEXT targets

EXOSOME with TRAMP, NEXT and PAXT



EXOSOME with TRAMP, NEXT and PAXT

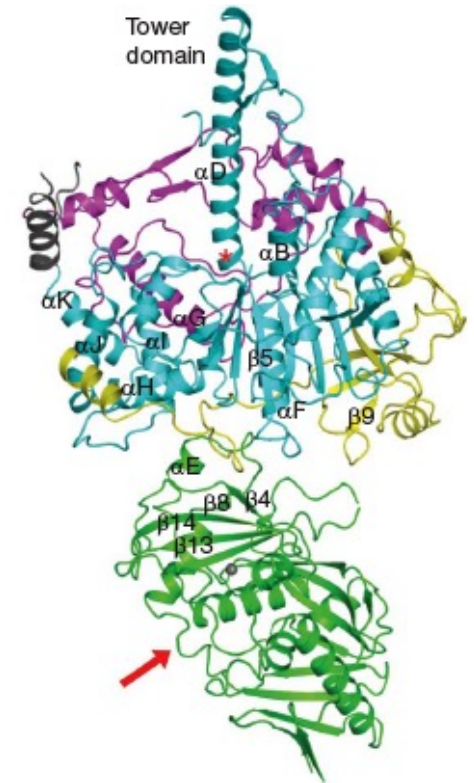


XRN family: 5' → 3' processive exonucleases



Kastenmayer and Green, 2000, PNAS

Crystal structure of *S. pombe*
Rat1/Rai1 complex



Xiang et al, 2009, Nature

NUCLEAR Rat1/XRN2

with Rai1 activator (5' -ppp pyrophosphohydrolase and phosphodiesterase-decapping nuclease)

- 5' -end processing of 5.8S and 25S rRNAs, snoRNAs
- degradation of pre-mRNAs, tRNAs, sn/snoRNAs
- degradation of some ncRNAs: CUTs
- transcription termination of Pol I and II (*torpedo mechanism*)

CYTOPLASMIC XRN1

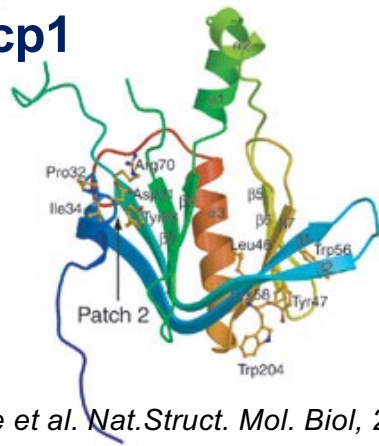
- generic mRNA decay
- specialised mRNA decay pathways: NMD, NSD, NO-GO decay, ARE-dependent decay
- degradation of miRNA-dependent mRNA cleavage products (*in plants*)
- degradation of some ncRNAs: CUTs, SUTs, XUTs

XRN1 and Rat1/XRN2 have deNADding and deFADding activity

Sharma et al, Nat Comm 2022; NAR 2922

DCP/NUDT- decapping enzymes

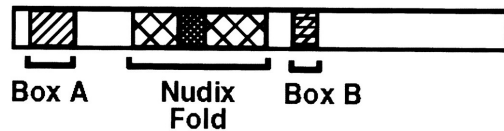
Dcp1



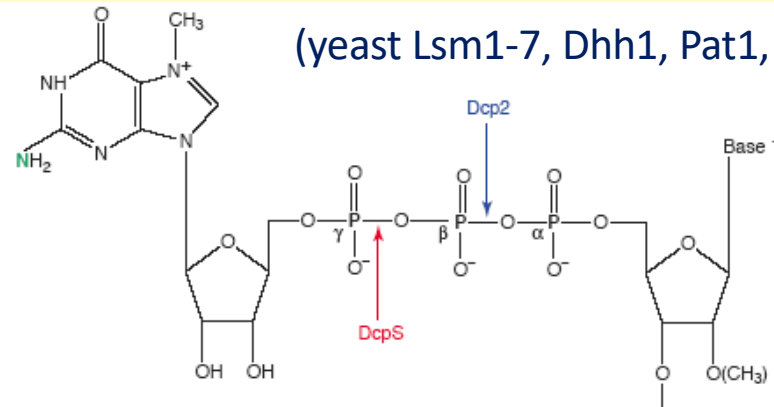
She et al. *Nat. Struct. Mol. Biol.*, 2004

- **Dcp1/Dcp2** complex participates in mRNA 5' decay
- catalyses the reaction $m^7GpppX\text{-mRNA} \rightarrow m^7GDP + 5'p\text{-mRNA}$
- Dcp2 is the catalytic subunit (pyrophosphatase Nudix domain)
- Dcp1 is required for activity *in vivo*, interacts with other proteins
- Dcp1/Dcp2p is regulated by Pab1 and activating factors

Dcp2



Wang et al. *PNAS*, 2002

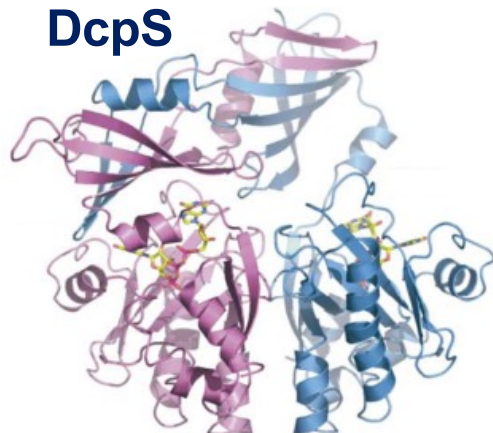


(yeast *Lsm1-7*, *Dhh1*, *Pat1*, *Edc1-3*, *Upf1-3*)

NUDT proteins (22):

in vivo decapping *Nudt16*, *Nudt3* (mammals)
in vivo deNADding *Nudt12* (mammals)

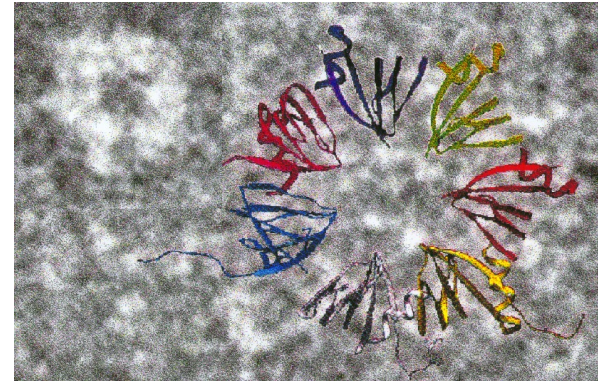
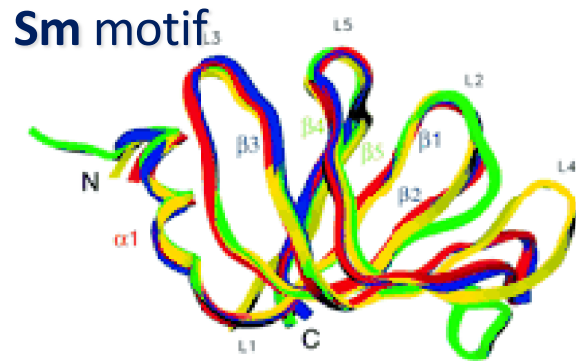
DcpS



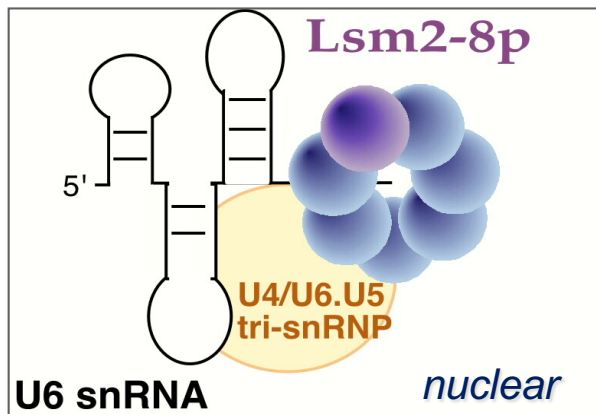
- **DcpS**: HIT pyrophosphatase („histidine triad” on the C-terminus)
- catalyses the cleavage of $m^7GDP \rightarrow m^7GMP + Pi$ remaining after decapping during mRNA 5' decay
- cooperates with the exosome during mRNA 3' decay ($m^7GpppX\text{-oligoRNA} \rightarrow m^7GMP + pp\text{-oligoRNA}$)
- functions as an asymmetric dimer

Gu et al., *M.Cell*, 2004

LSM proteins

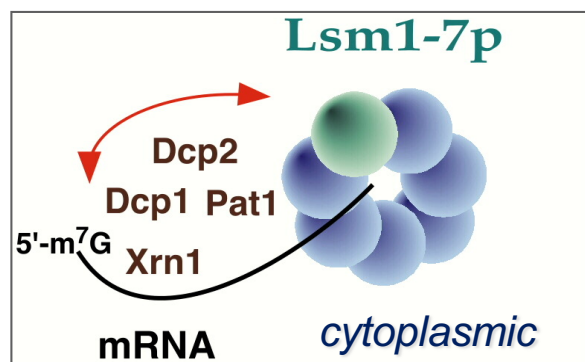


Achsel et al, EMBO J, 2001



Involved in pre-mRNA splicing

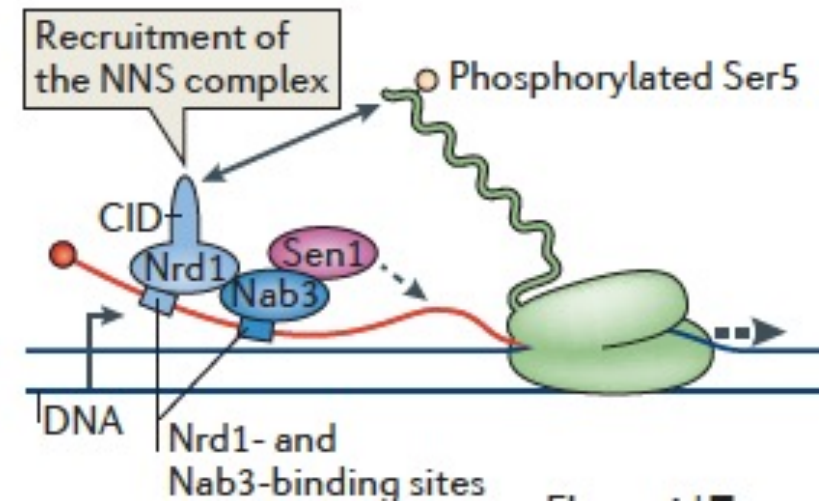
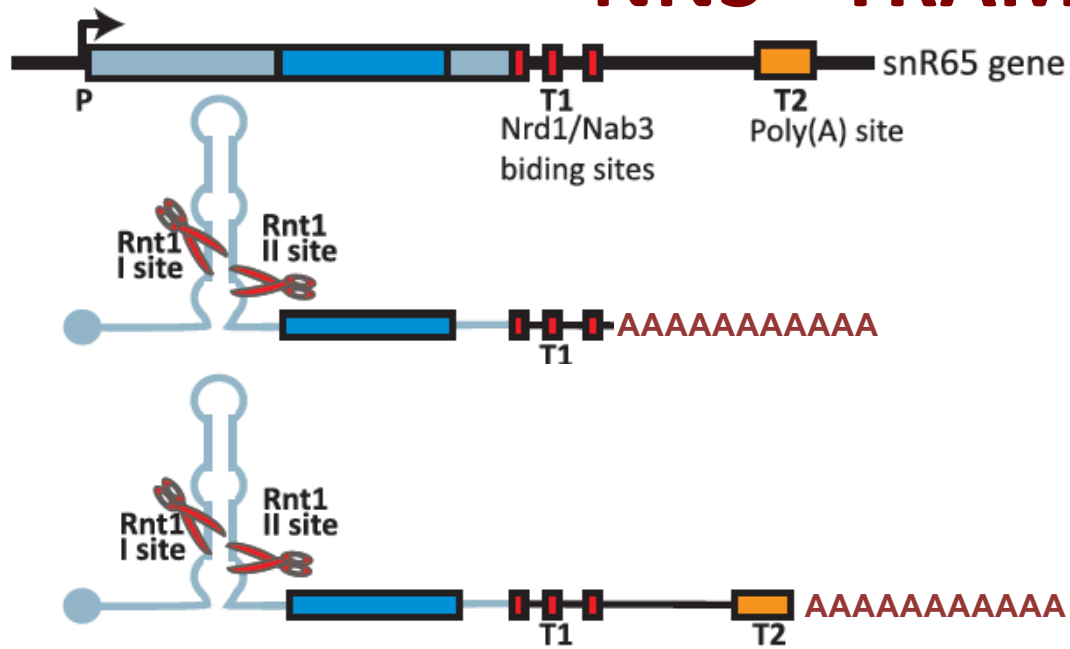
- associates with U6 snRNA
- required for U6 RNA accumulation and U6 snRNP biogenesis
- interacts with the U4/U6.U5 tri-snRNP



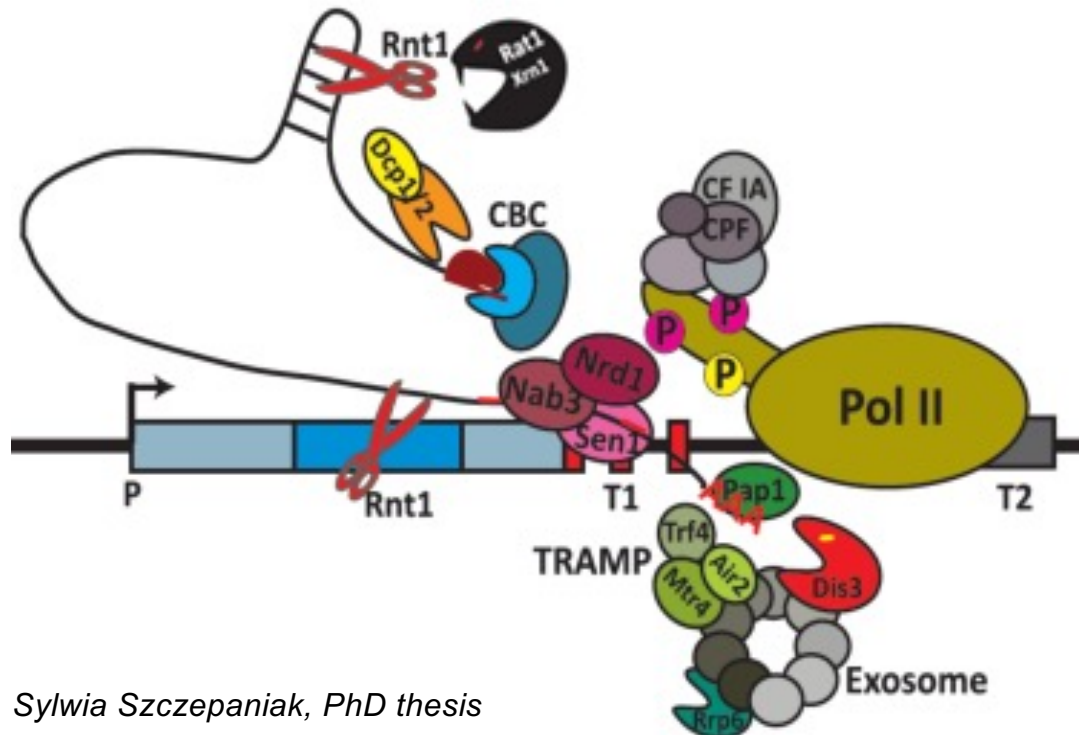
Functions in mRNA decapping and decay

- activator of decapping
- interacts with components of the mRNA decapping and degradation machinery (XRN1, DCP1/2, PAT1)

NNS - TRAMP - exonome



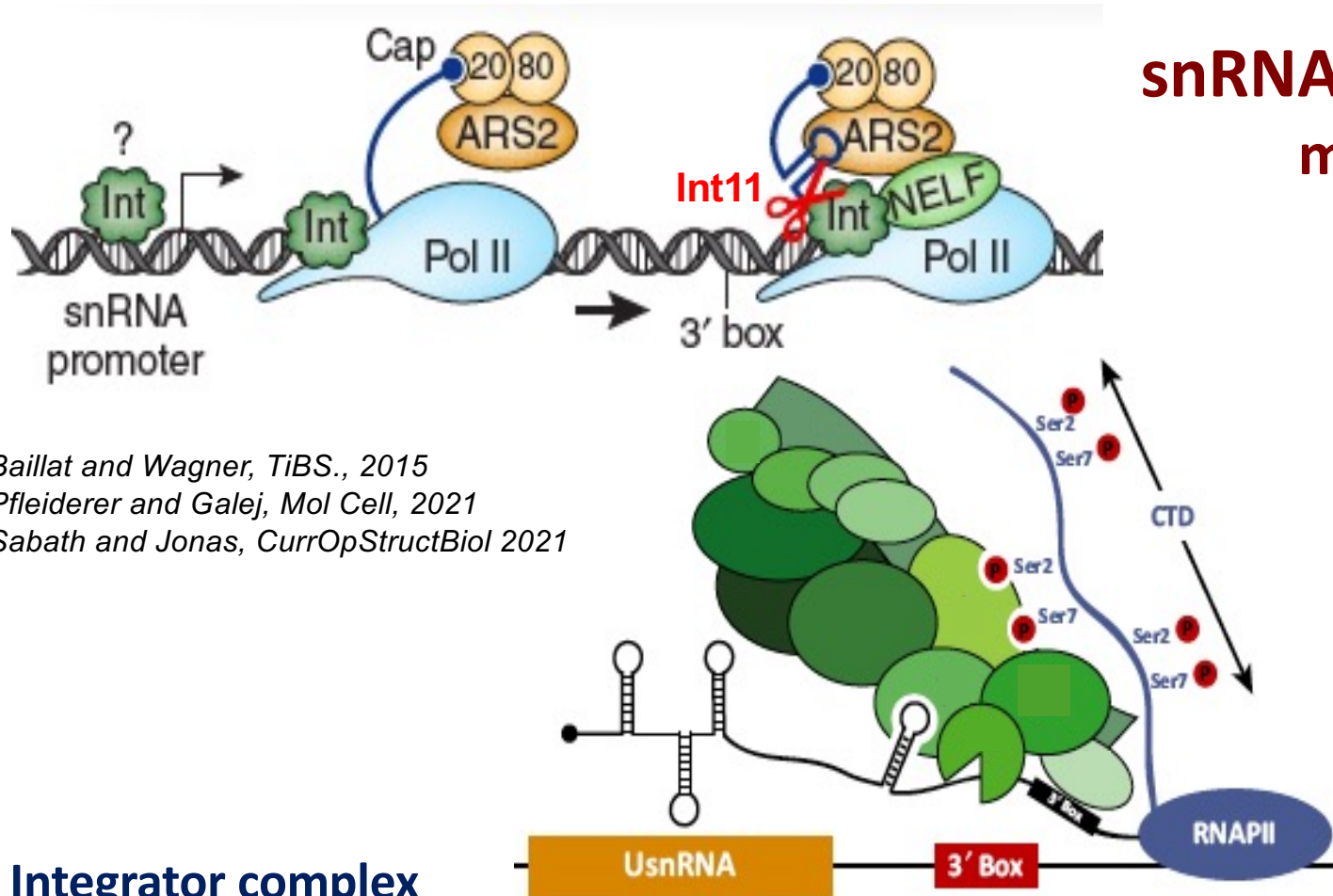
Poruua, Libri, Nat Rev Mol Cell Biol, 2015



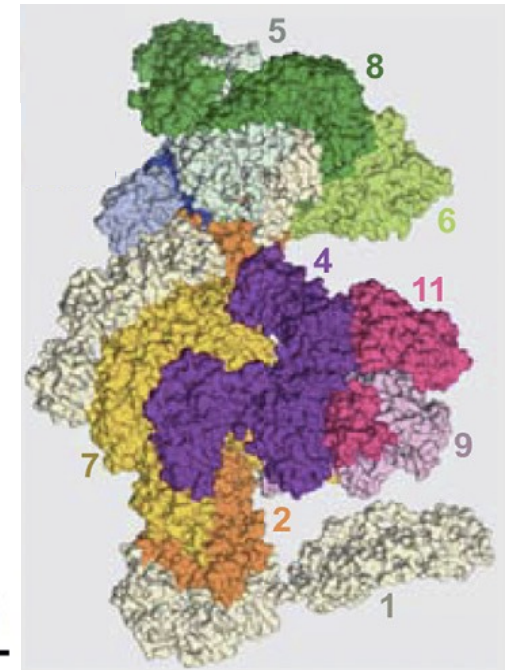
sn/snoRNA processing
yeast

INTEGRATOR

snRNA processing metazoa



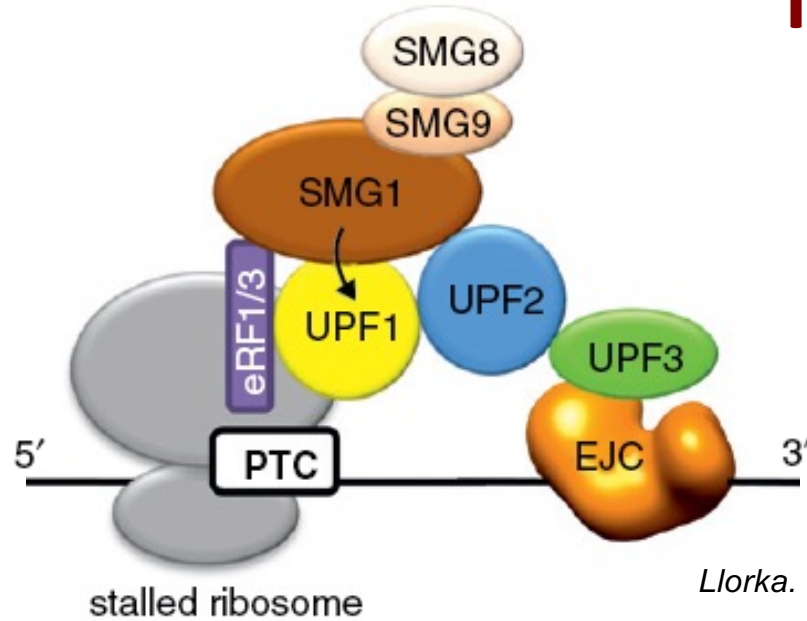
Baillat and Wagner, TiBS., 2015
Pfleiderer and Galej, Mol Cell, 2021
Sabath and Jonas, CurrOpStructBiol 2021



Integrator complex

- recruited contrancriptionally to snRNA promoter
- interacts with Pol II CTD (Ser7-P/Ser2-P dyad)
- cleaves pre-snRNA at 3' box (endonuclease Int11)
- involved in transcription termination at snRNA genes
- contributes to transcription termination at mRNA genes (intronless in particular)
- promotes transcription elongation by nascent transcript cleavage (PolII release)

NMD factors



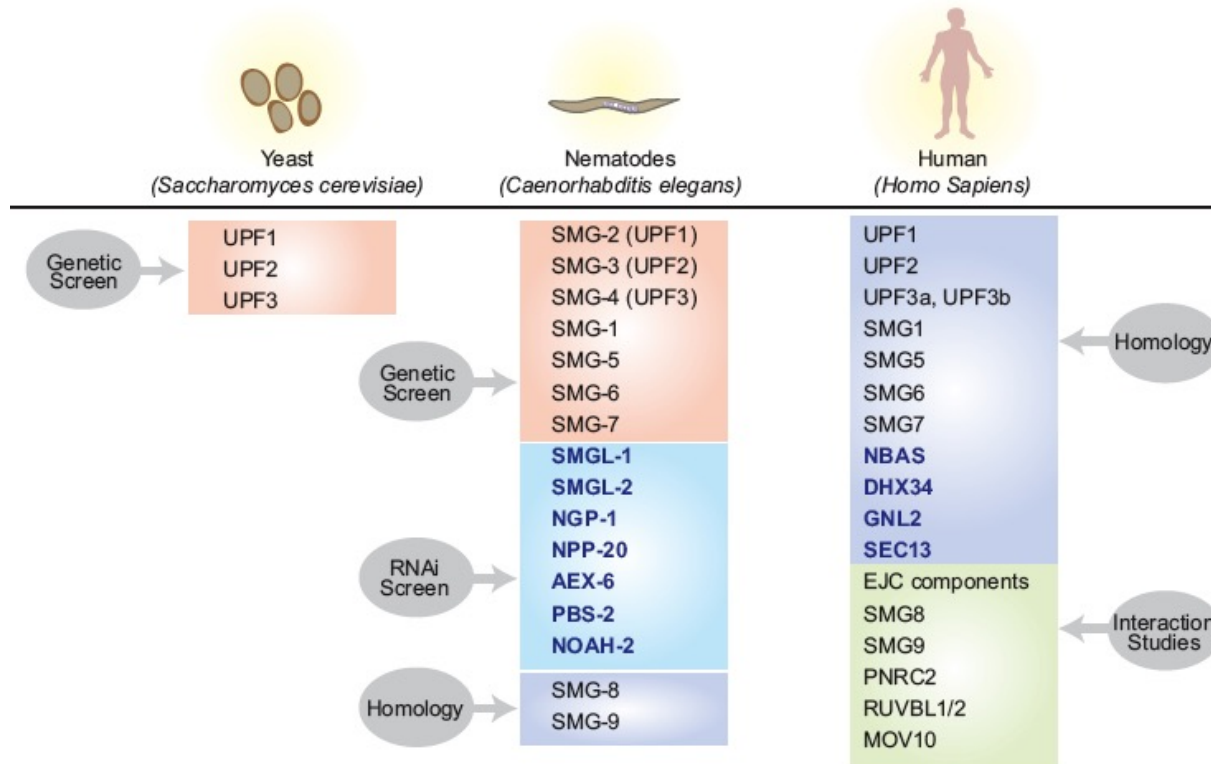
Llorca. *Cur. Op. Chem. Biol.* 2013

SURF complex

SMG1-UPFs-SMGs-Release Factors

DECID (decay inducing)

phosphoSMG1-UPFs-EJC



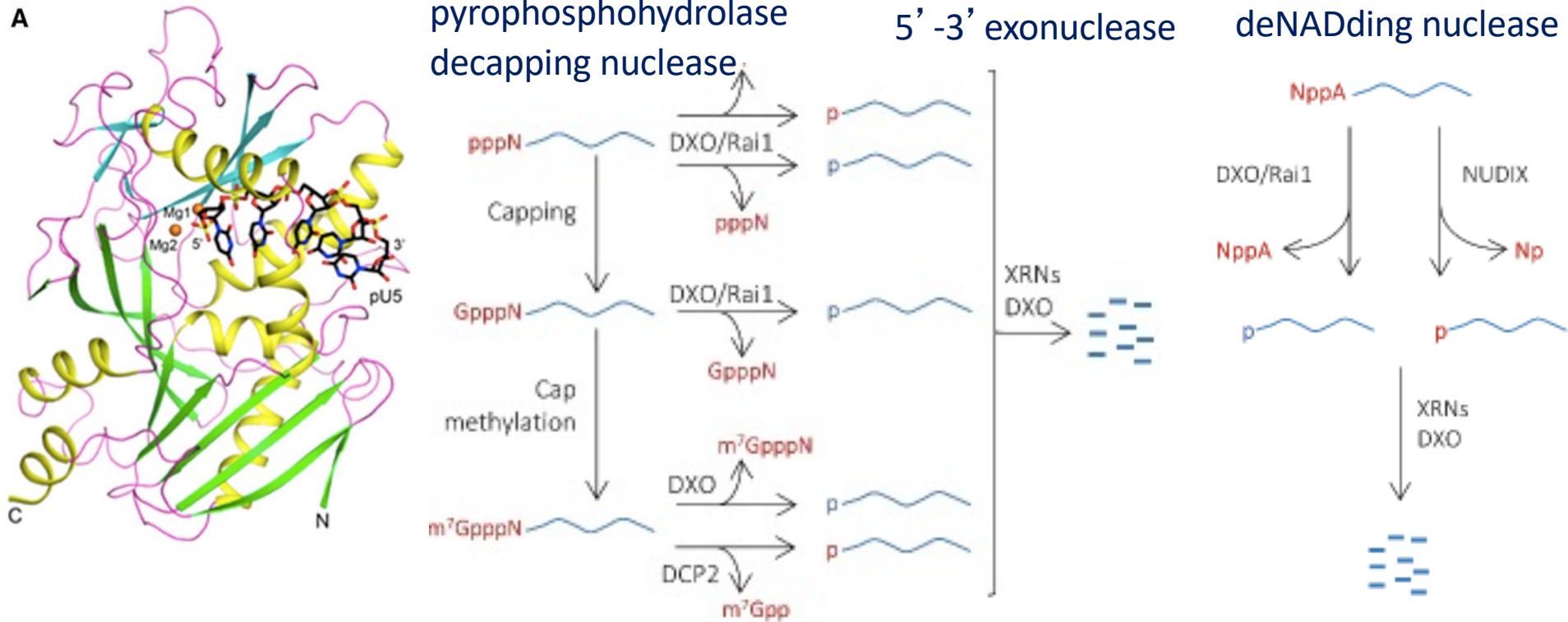
Hug et al., *NAR*, 2016

DXO/Rai1 family

Cellular activities

cap surveillance

deNADding



| ACTIVITY | SUBSTRATE | MmDXO | At DXO1 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| 5'-3' exoribonuclease | p-RNA | +++ | + |
| Pyrophosphohydrolase | ppp-RNA | +++ | - |
| Decapping (unmethylated cap) | Gppp-RNA | +++ | - |
| Decapping (mature cap) | m ⁷ Gppp-RNA | +++ | - |
| DeNADding | NppA-RNA | ++++ | +++ |

Additional activities:

- 5' OH RNA hydrolase

- FAD and CoA

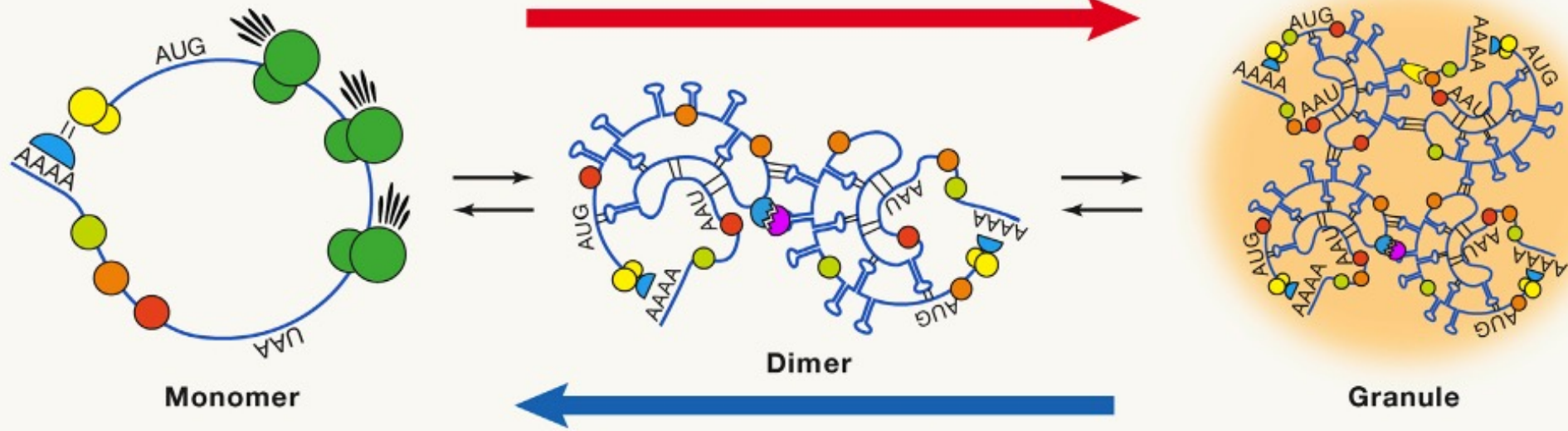
decapping nuclease

RNP granule assembly

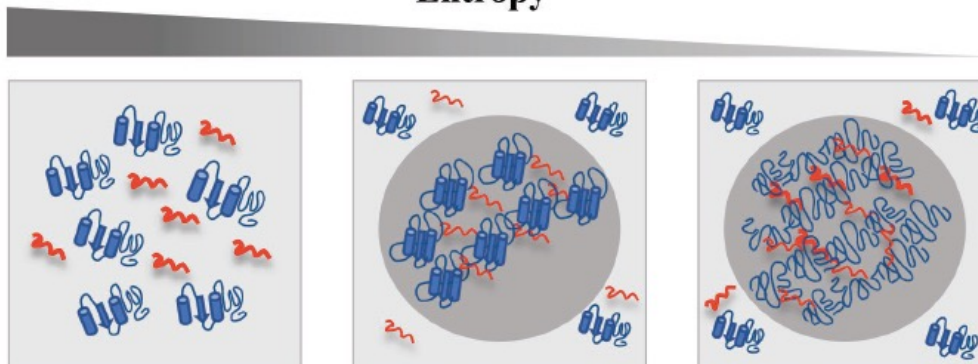
by protein-protein and RNA-RNA interactions

Assembly promoted by:

- Longer RNA length
- High local concentrations
- RNAs with increased ability to interact
- Multivalent RNA-binding proteins



Entropy



Energy

Phase transition

Droplets, MLOs (Membraneless Organelles)

Liquid-Liquid Phase Separation (LLPS)

Condensates

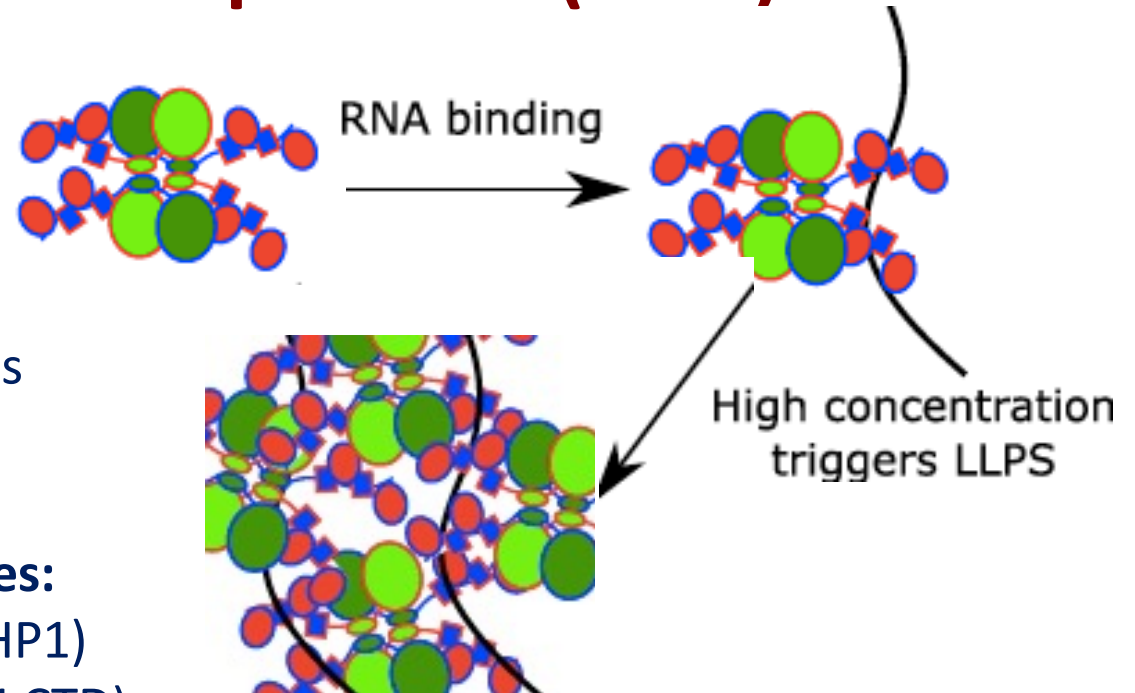
Formed by unstructured protein domains around RNAs

IDR - Intrinsic Disordered Domains

PLD - Prion-Like Domains

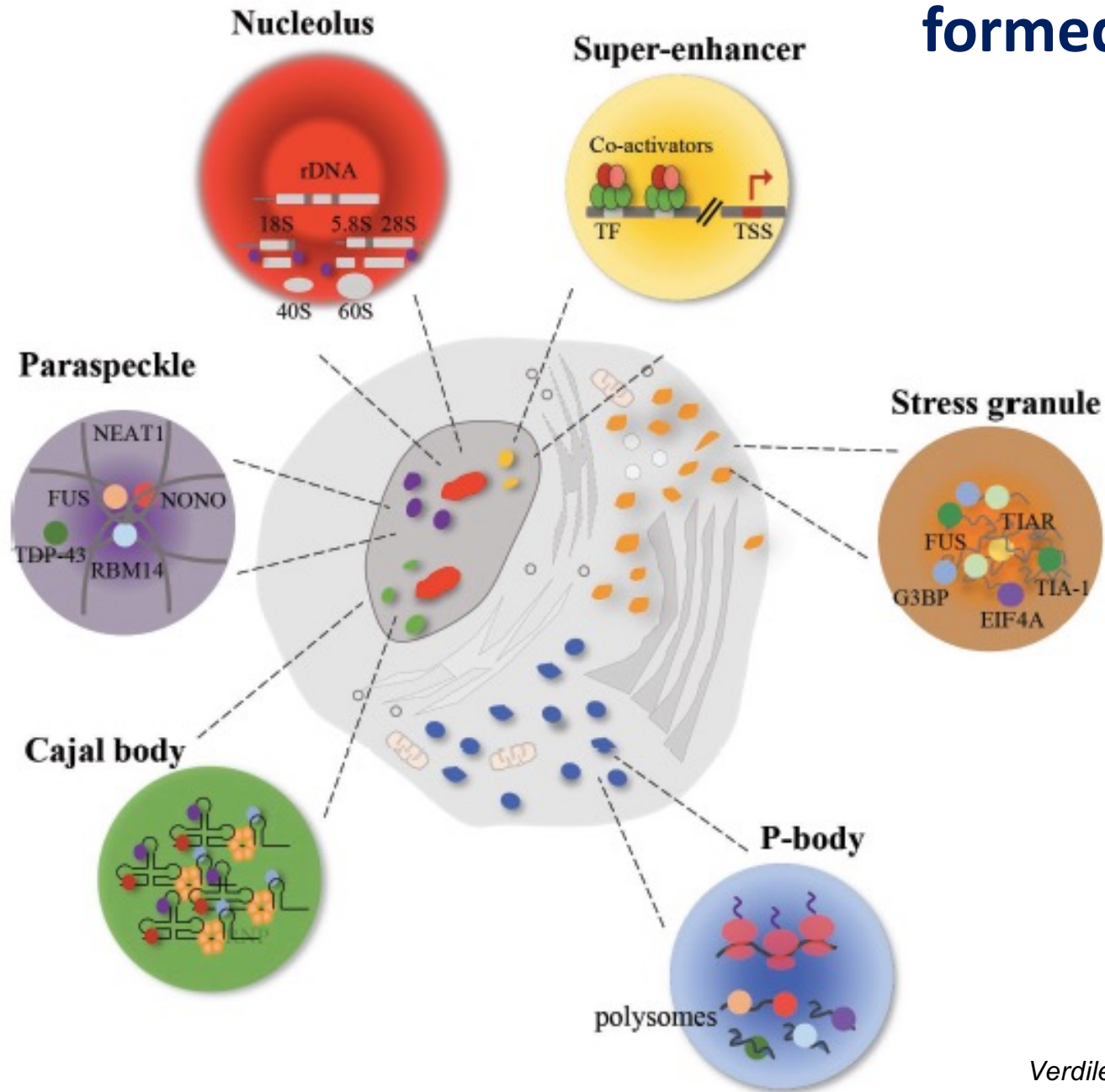
Organize several cellular processes:

- Heterochromatin structure (HP1)
- Transcription (Mediator, Pol II CTD)
- Processing (nucleolus, spliceosome, SR proteins, Cajal bodies)
- RNA retention and storage
(Nuclear speckles, Paraspeckles, P-bodies, Stress Granules)
- RNA decay (degradosome)
- Protein modification and degradation (autophagosome, proteasome)

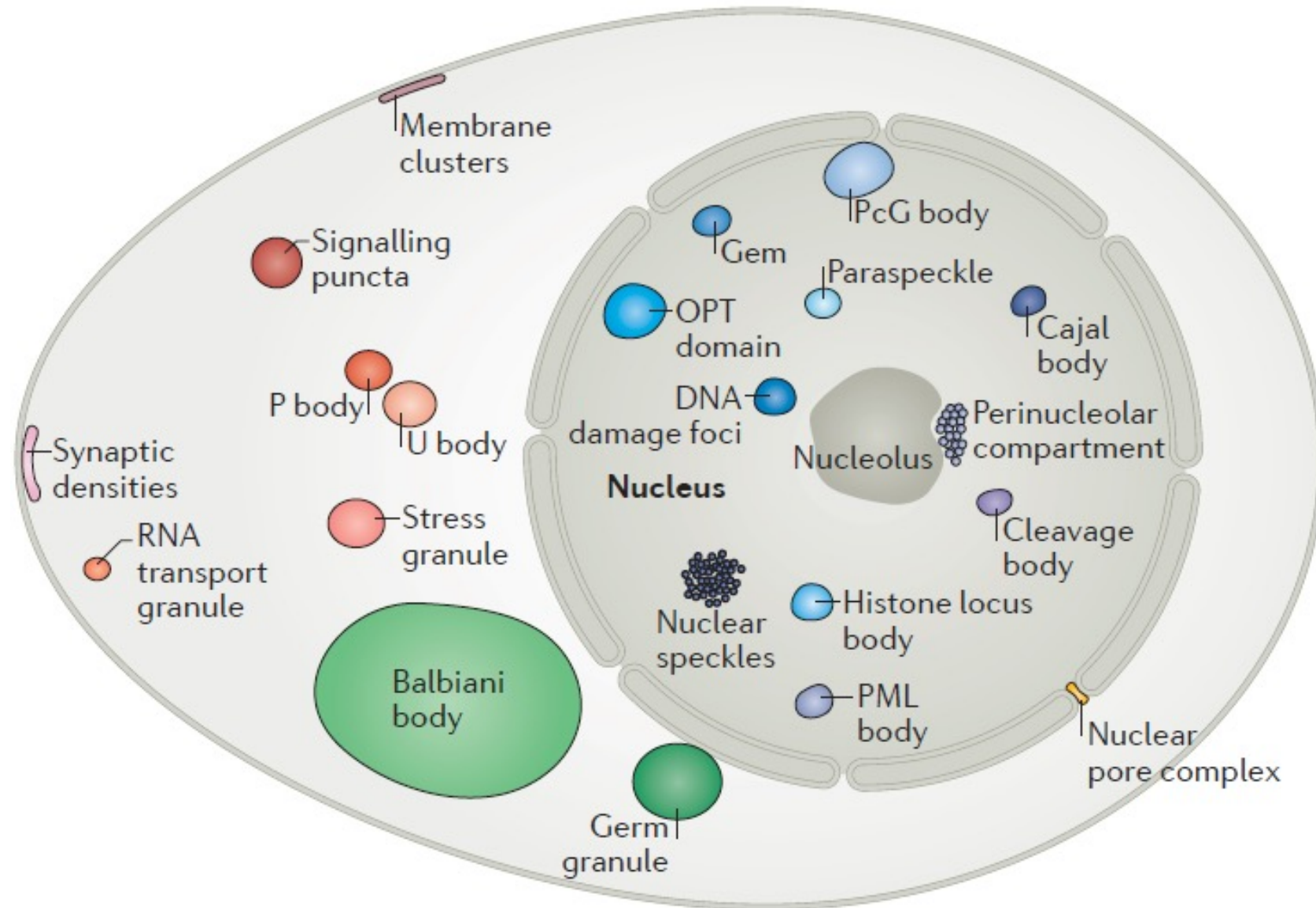


Membraneless Organelles

formed by LLPS



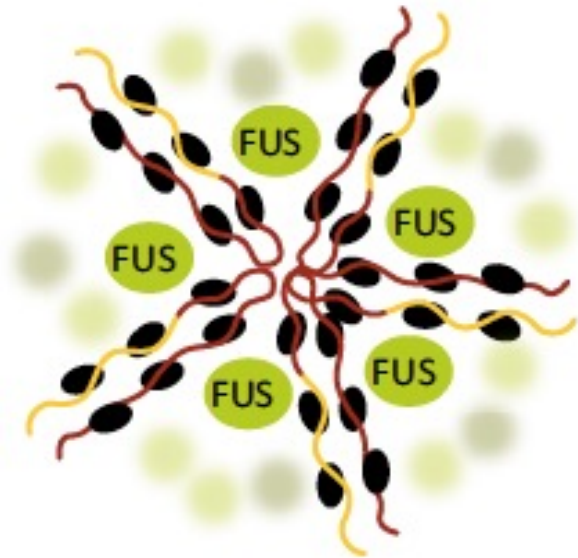
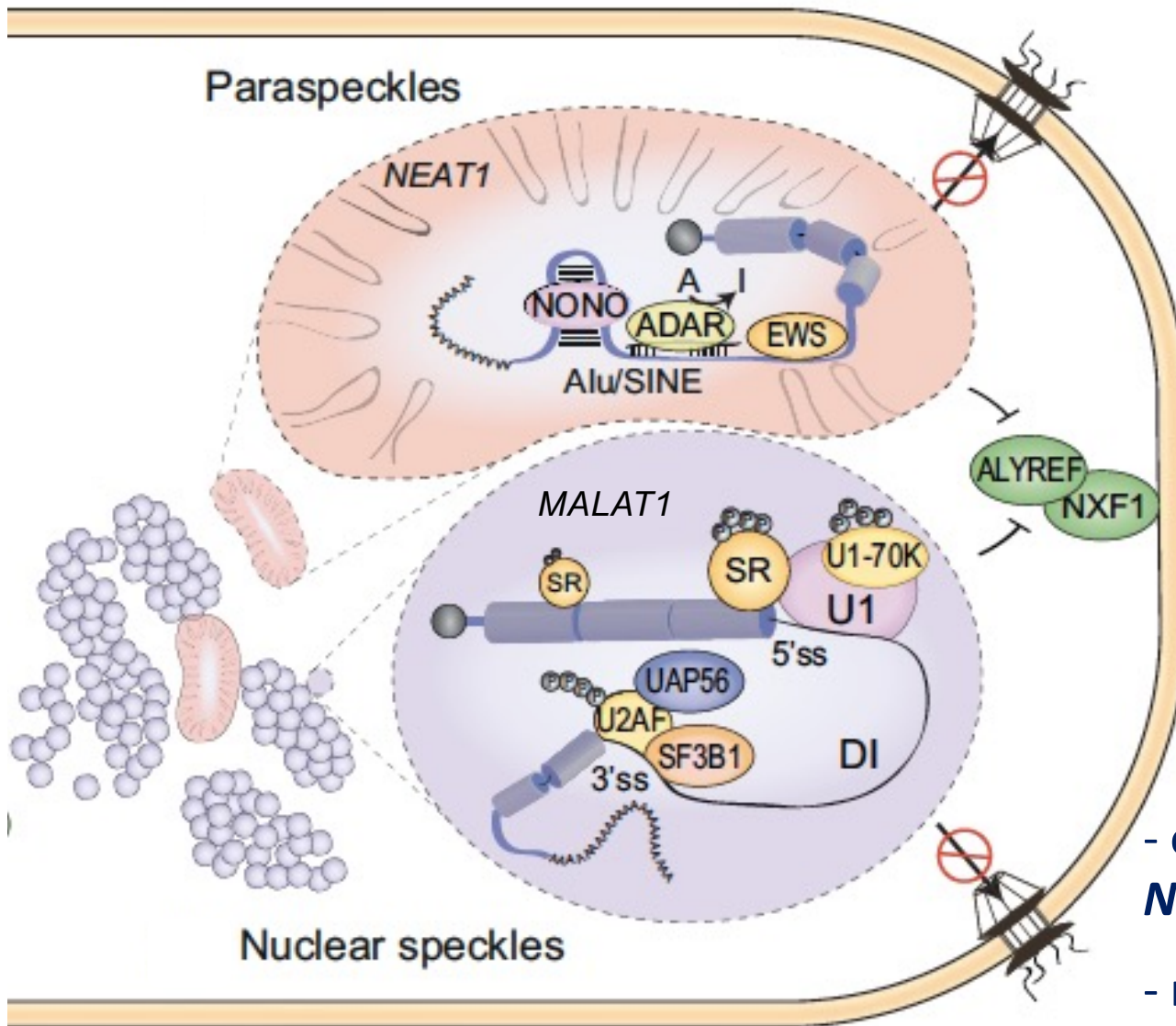
Cellular Condensates



and many more...

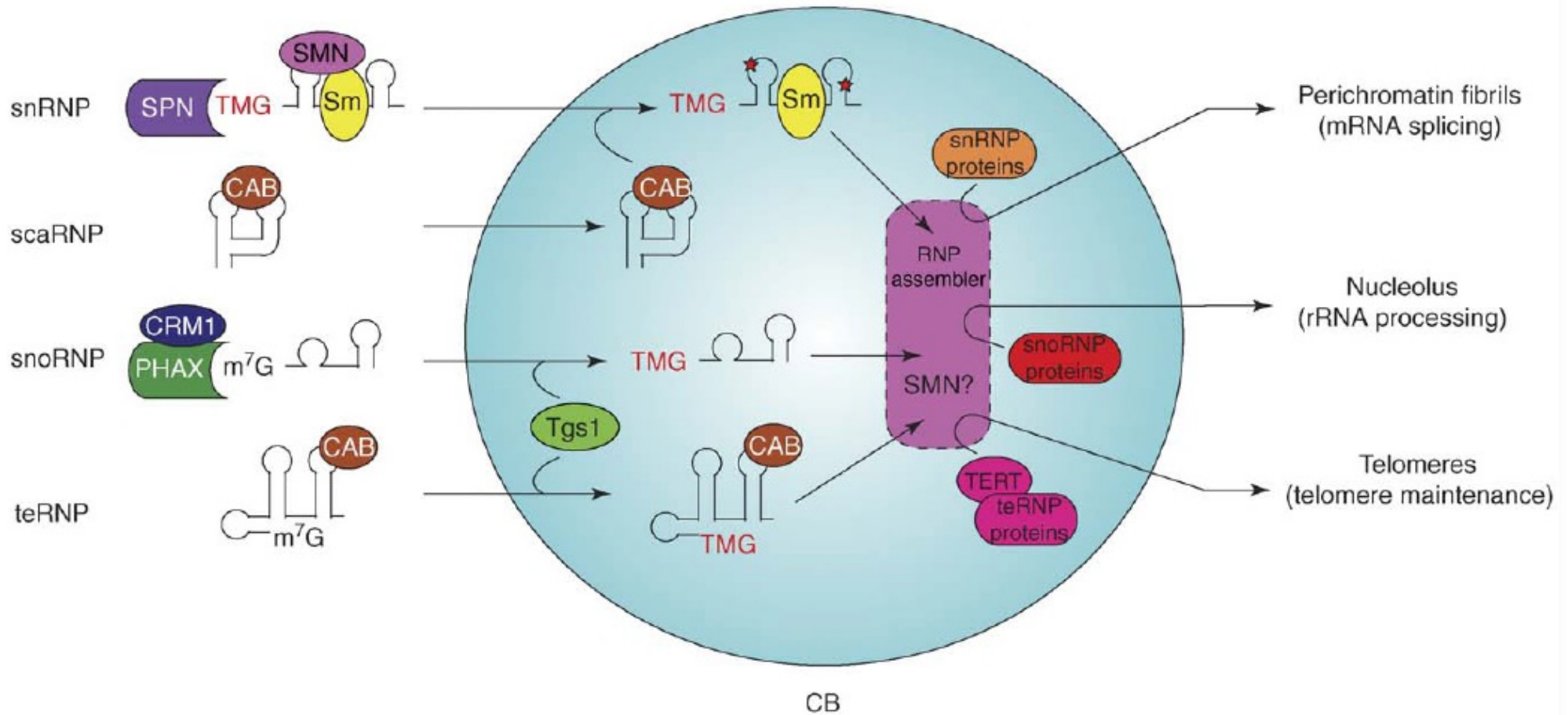
Paraspeckles

Nuclear speckles



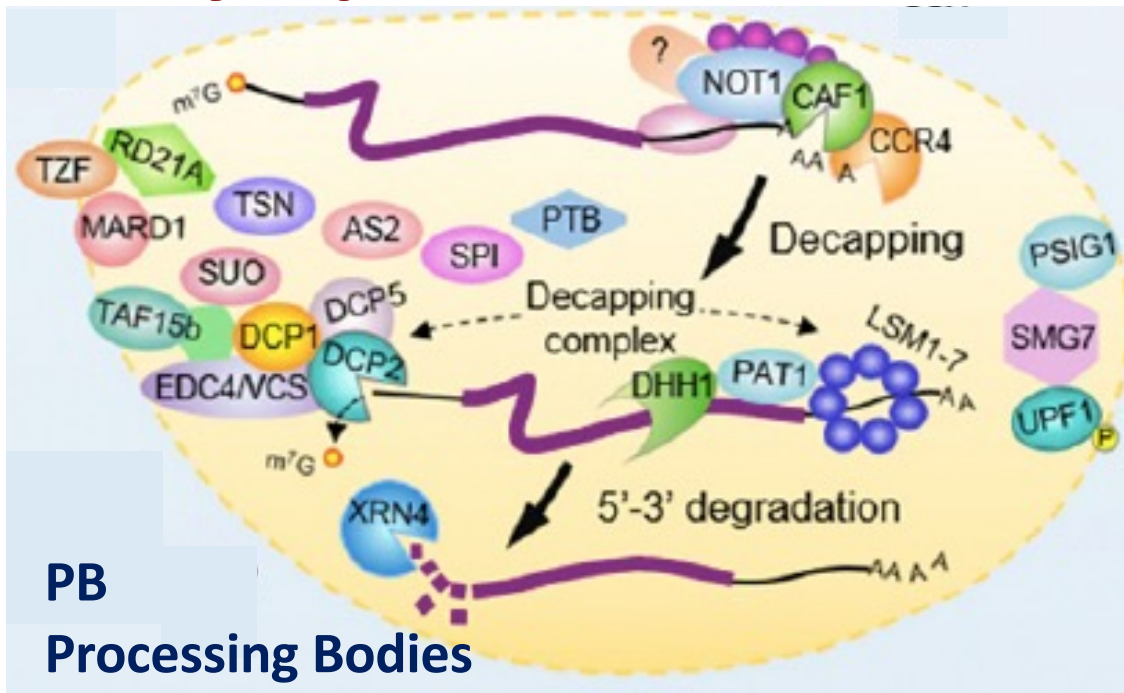
- organized around lncRNAs: ***NEAT1*** (PS) or ***MALAT1*** (NS)
- regulate gene expression by mRNA nuclear retention

Cajal bodies



- contain CB-specific scaRNA
- sites of snRNA modification (capping, 2'O-Me, pseudoU) and RNA processing

Cytoplasmic P-bodies and Stress Granules



PB Processing Bodies

mRNA storage
mRNA decay

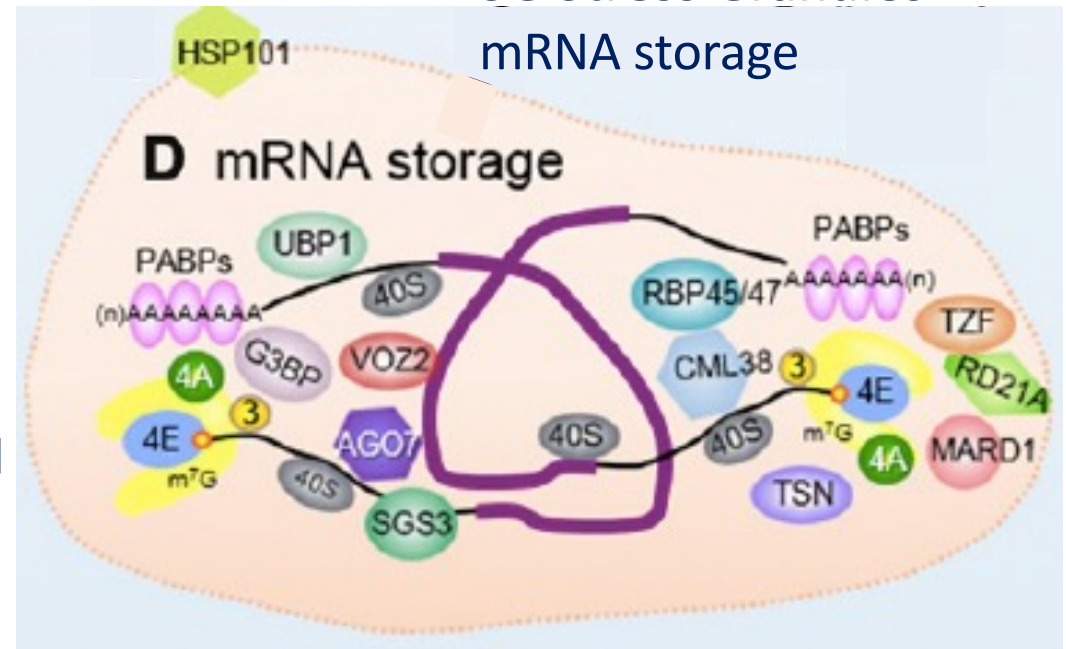
SG: global translation halts upon stress, mRNAs bound to the translational machinery and other proteins form SGs.

PB: translationally stalled mRNAs devoid of initiation factors shuttle to PBs.

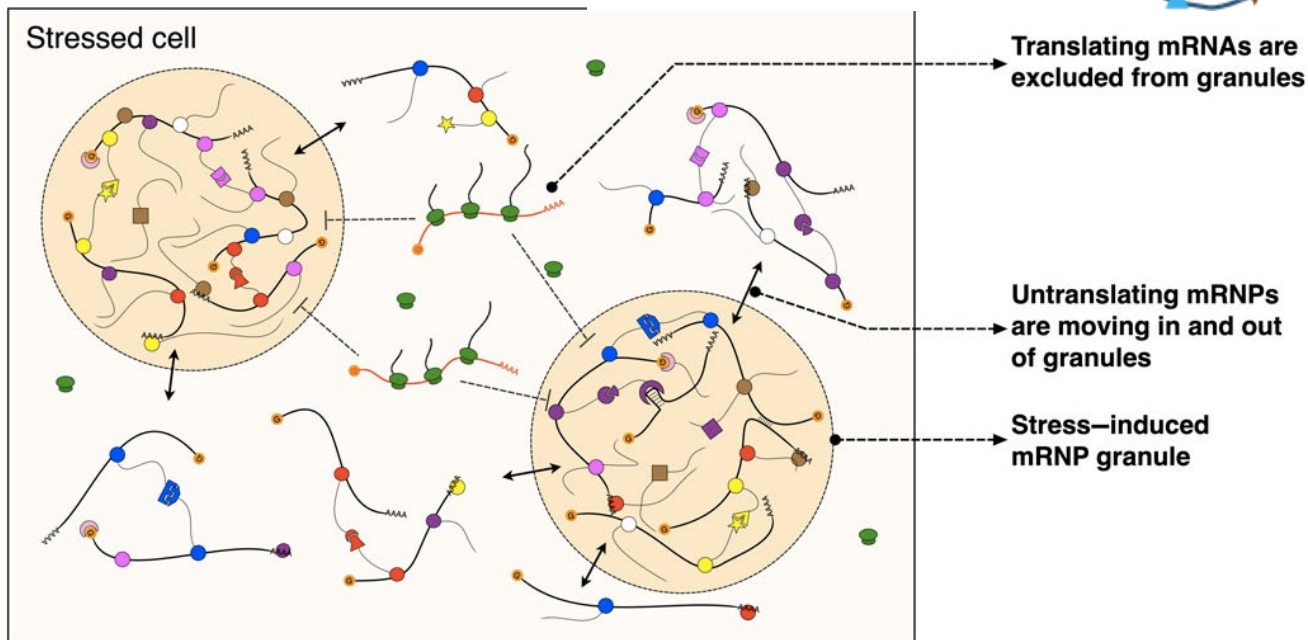
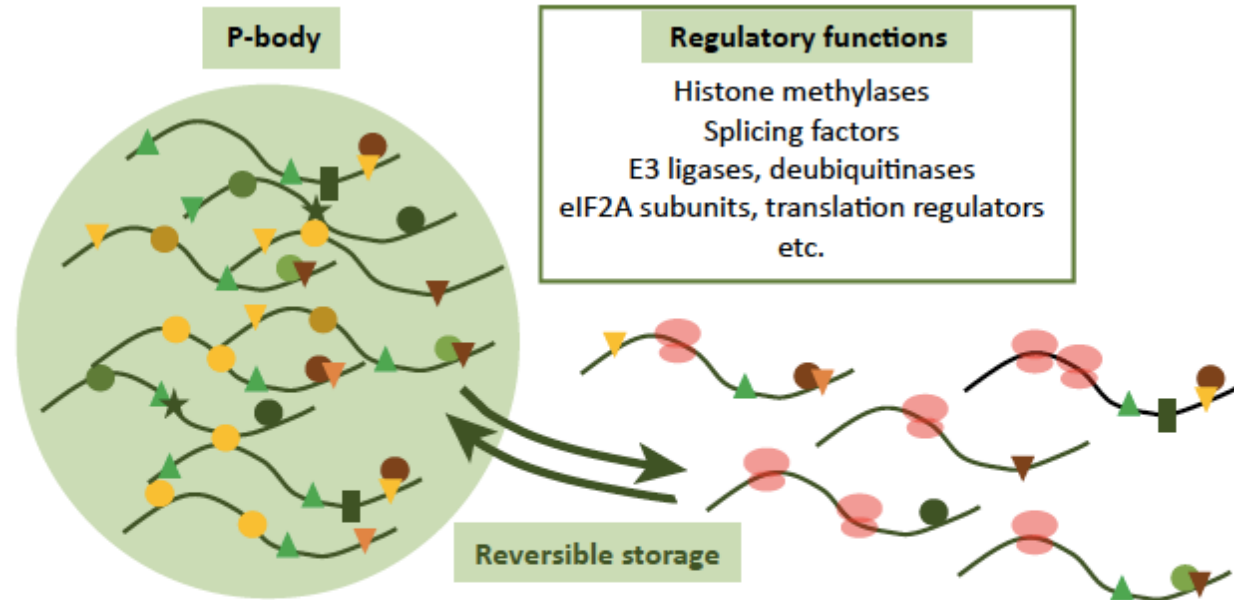
Dynamic biomolecular condensates
Formed by phase separation of RNAs and proteins
Role in translational control and proteome buffering upon translational arrest (PB) and stress (SG)

SG Stress Granules

mRNA storage

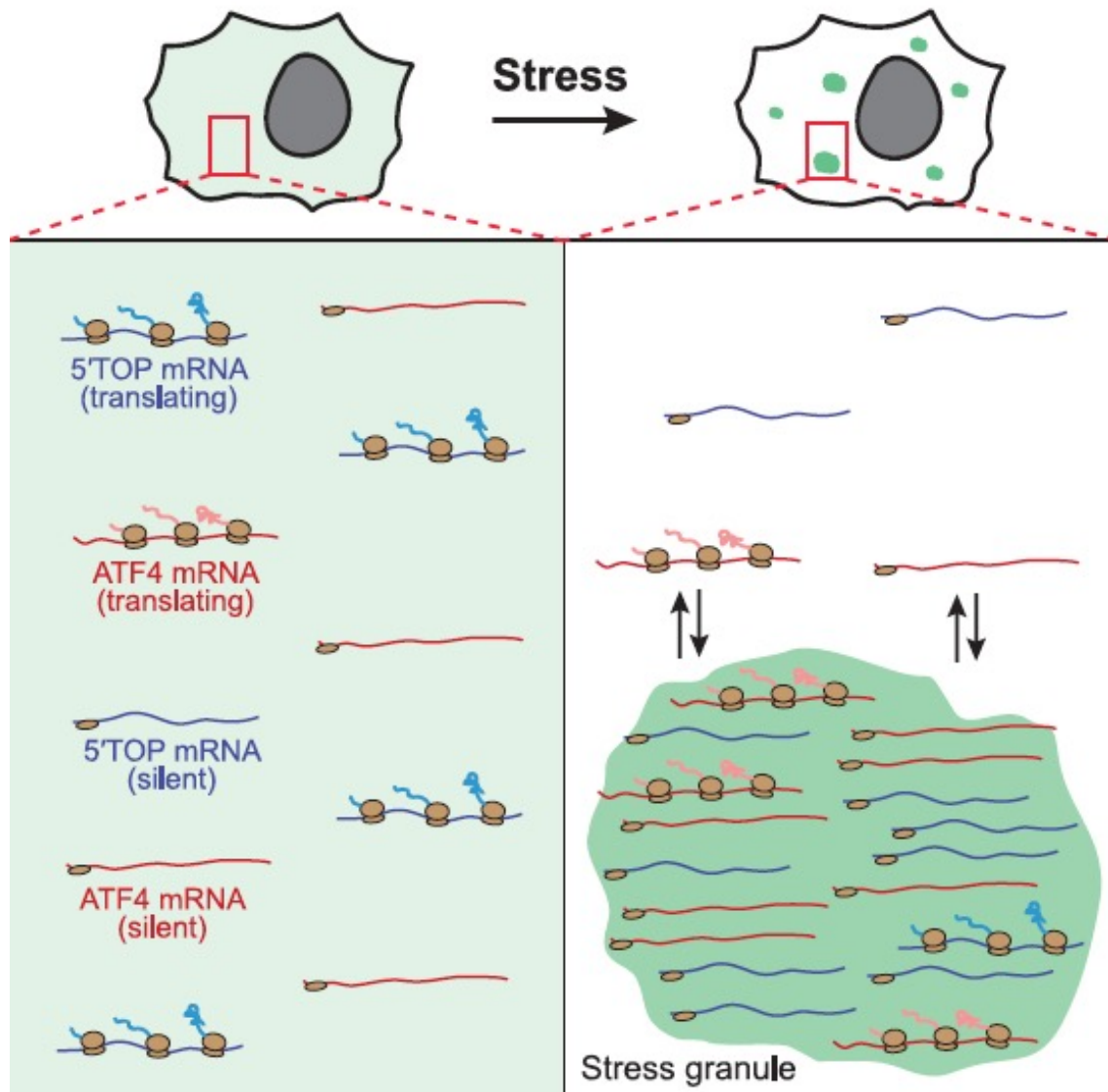


PB SG mRNPs



Guzikowski et al, WIREsRNA, 2019;
Standart and Weil, TiG, 2018

Translation in SGs

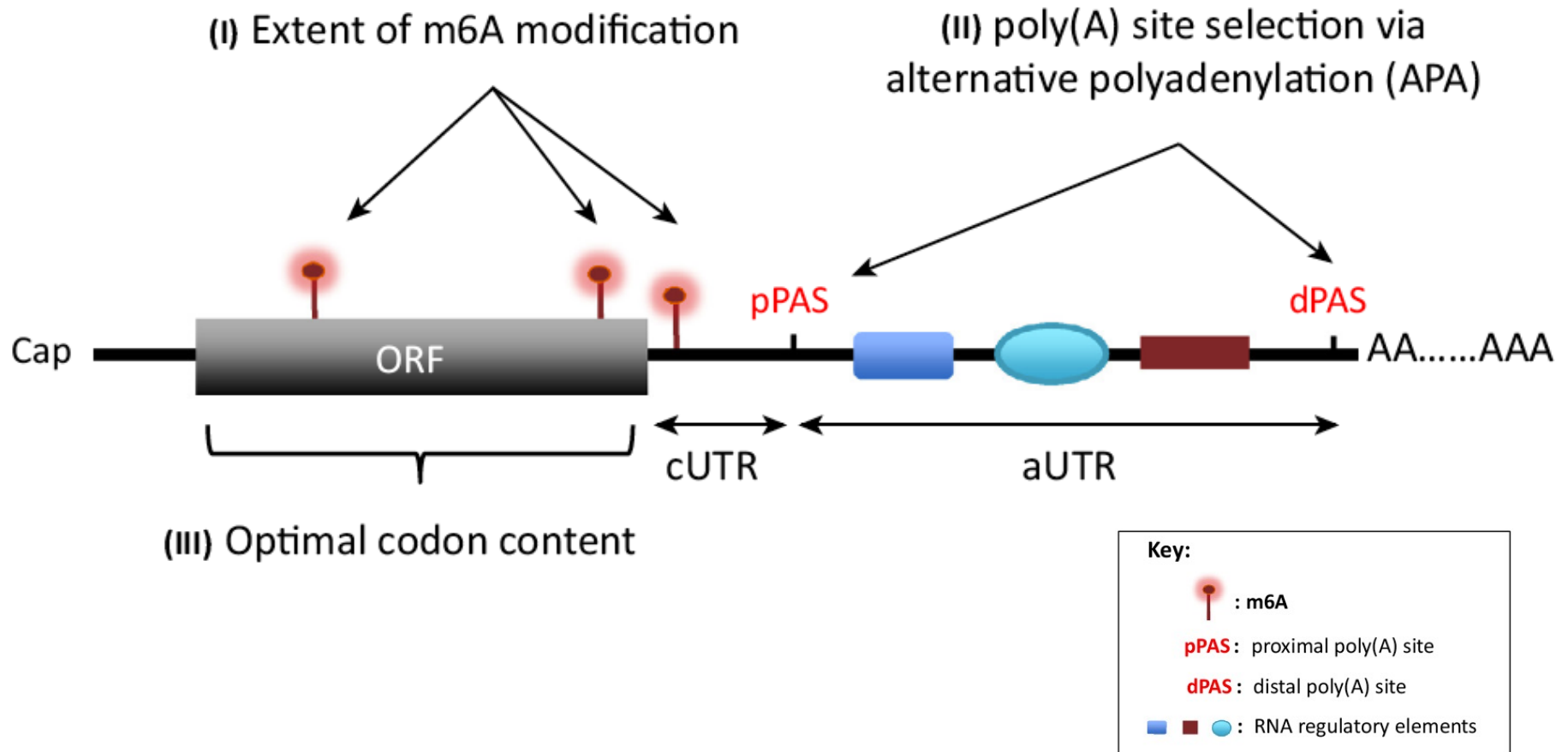


- nontranslating mRNAs are preferentially recruited to SGs
- mRNAs in SGs can undergo translation (complete cycle)
- translating mRNAs can enter, leave, or stably localize to SGs
- translation in SGs mainly, but not only, occurs on mRNAs enhanced under stress

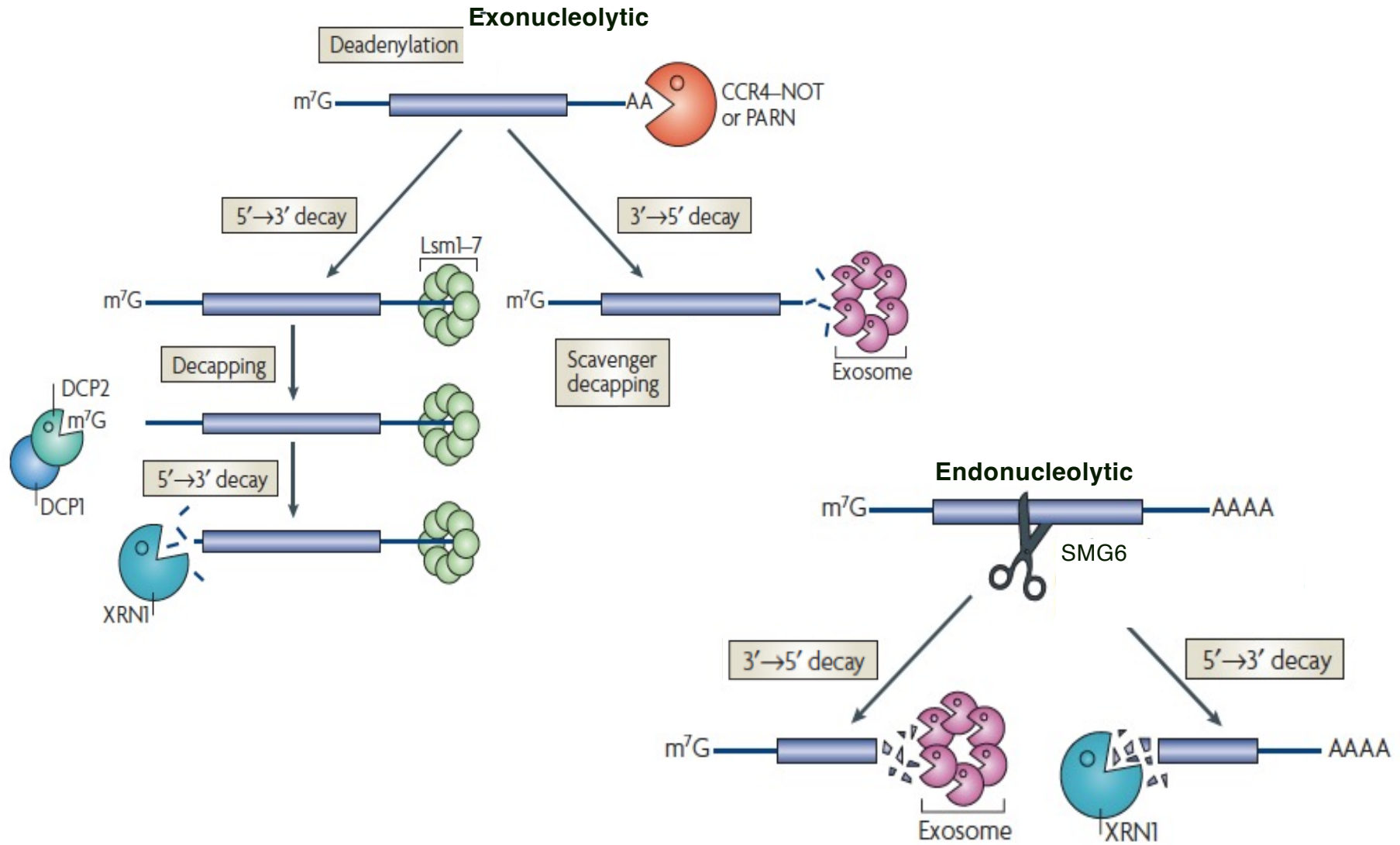
(shown using single-molecule mRNA imaging, SunTag)

mRNA STABILITY

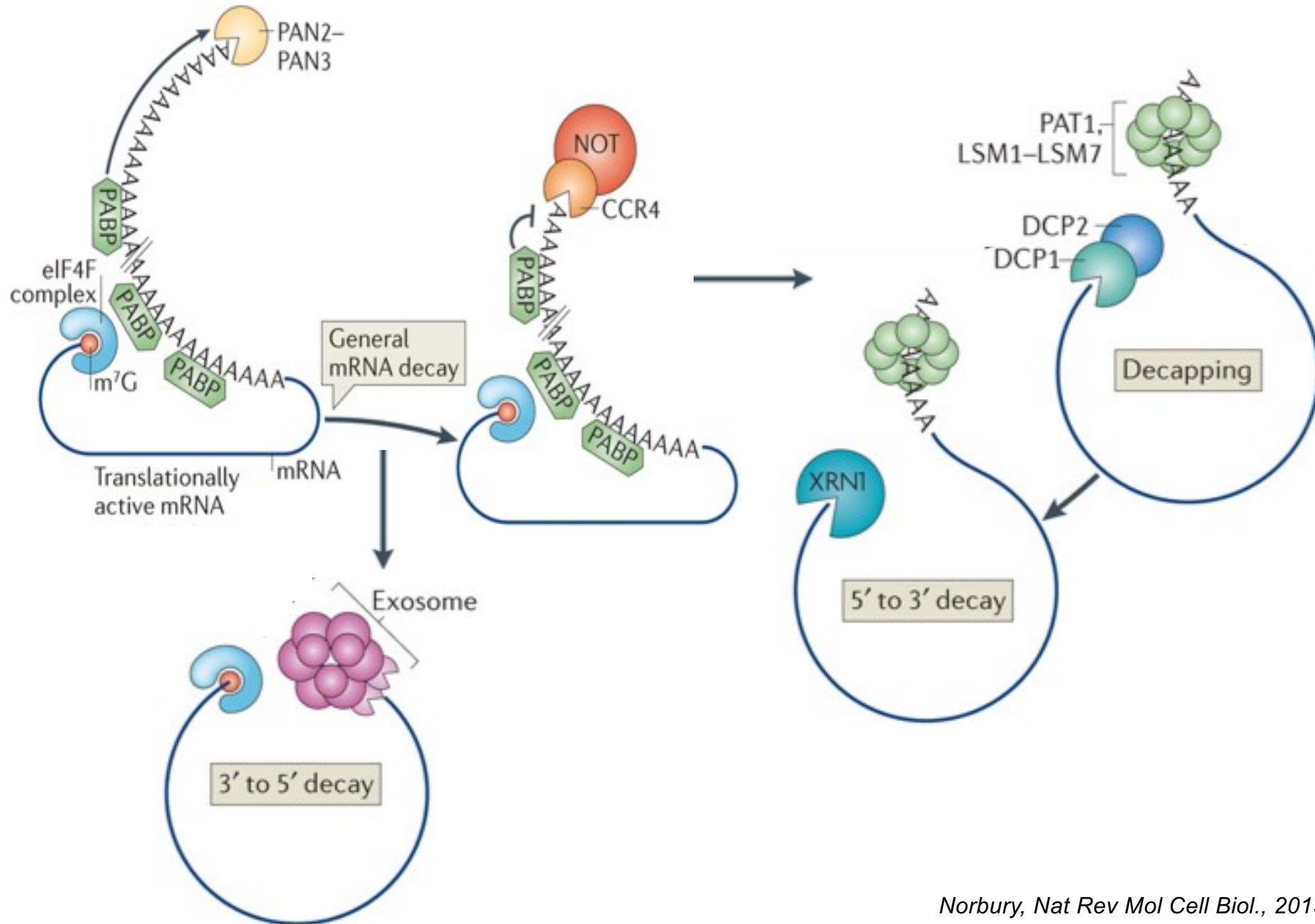
Elements *in cis*:



mRNA general decay in the cytoplasm

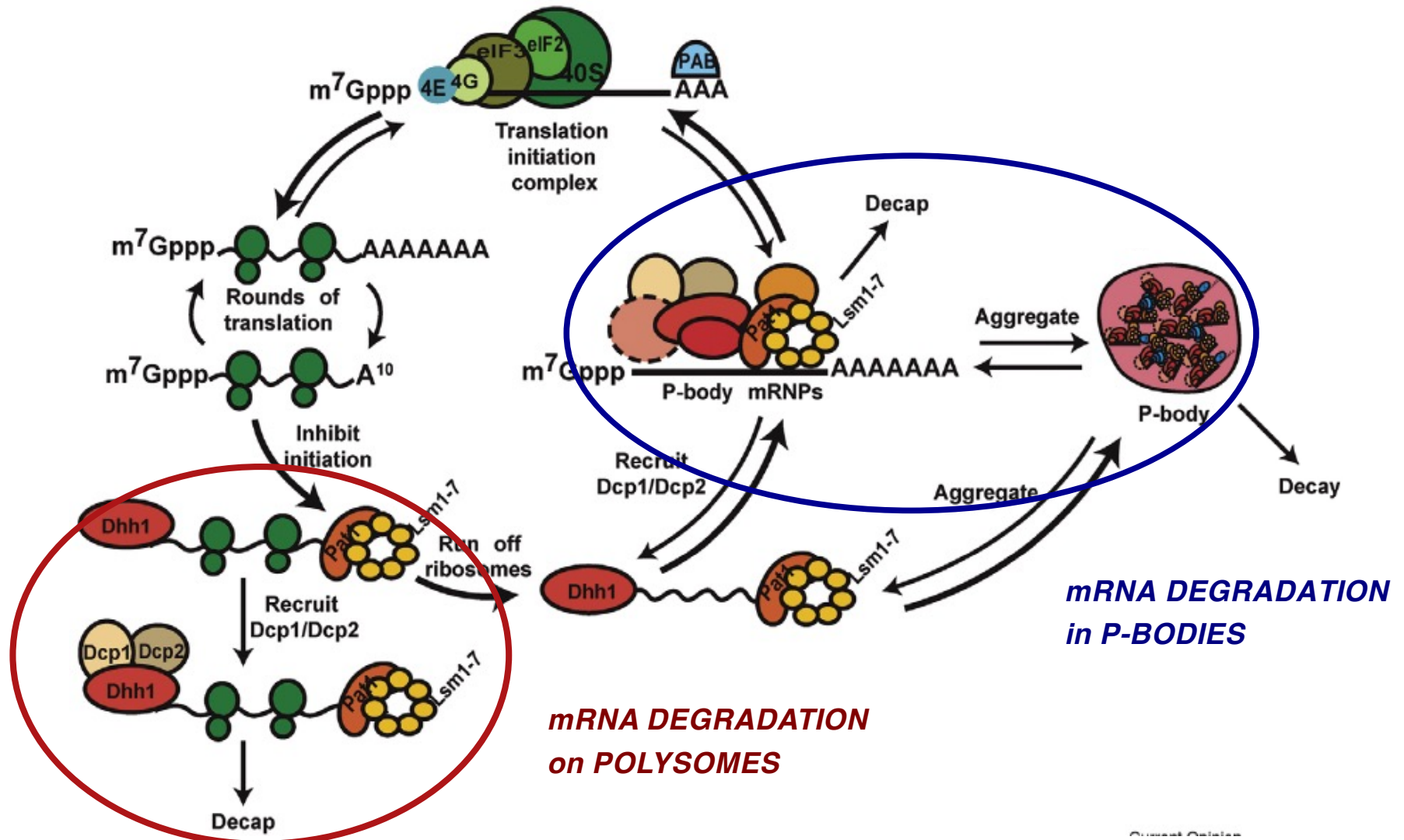


mRNA degradation in the cytoplasm



mRNA degradation in the cytoplasm

Balagopal and Parker, Curr. Op. Cell Biol., 2009



DEADENYLATION → RELEASE OF RIBOSOMES → RELEASE OF TRANSLATION FACTORS
 → RECRUITMENT OF DECAY FACTORS → RNA DECAY

RNA decay in the nucleus

mRNA 5'-3' decay



Lsm2-8p complex
(stimulates decapping)

Rat1p and cofactors
(5'-3' exonuclease)

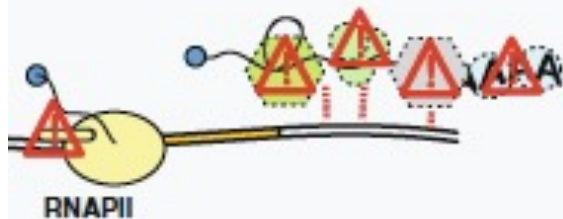
mRNA 3'-5' decay



nuclear exosome
(3'-5' exonuclease)

TRAMP
(exosome cofactor)

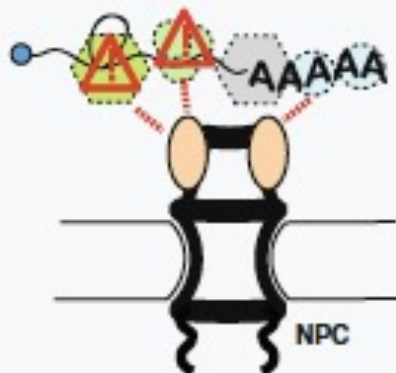
mRNA retention at gene locus



nuclear exosome
(3'-5' exonuclease)

Sac3/Thp1/Sus1 complex
(mRNP components)

anchoring of mRNP



Mlp1/Mlp2/Pml39
(NPC components)

- Unspliced pre-mRNAs
- 3'-end unprocessed pre-mRNAs
- Unpackaged mRNAs
(wrong mRNPs)
- mRNAs retained in the nucleus
(export defect)
- Transcripts retained at chromatin
- Aberrant ncRNAs
- Unmodified tRNAs
- Excessive rRNAs and tRNAs

mRNA quality control decay in the cytoplasm

NMD – Nonsense Mediated Decay (mRNAs with premature STOP codon)

NGD – No-Go Decay (ribosome stuck on an obstacle)

NSD – Non-Stop Decay (mRNAs with no STOP codon)

Problems with a stalling ribosome during translation

(A) Improper termination



UPF1
(UPF2/3
EJC)

NMD
SMG6 (Endonuclease)
Exosome, Xrn1

UPFs facilitate
degradation of
truncated (unfolded)
products

(B) A lack of termination

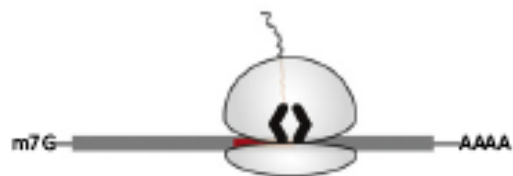


Dom34/Pelota
Hbs1/hHsb1

NSD
Exosome
Ski
complex



(C) Ribosome stall

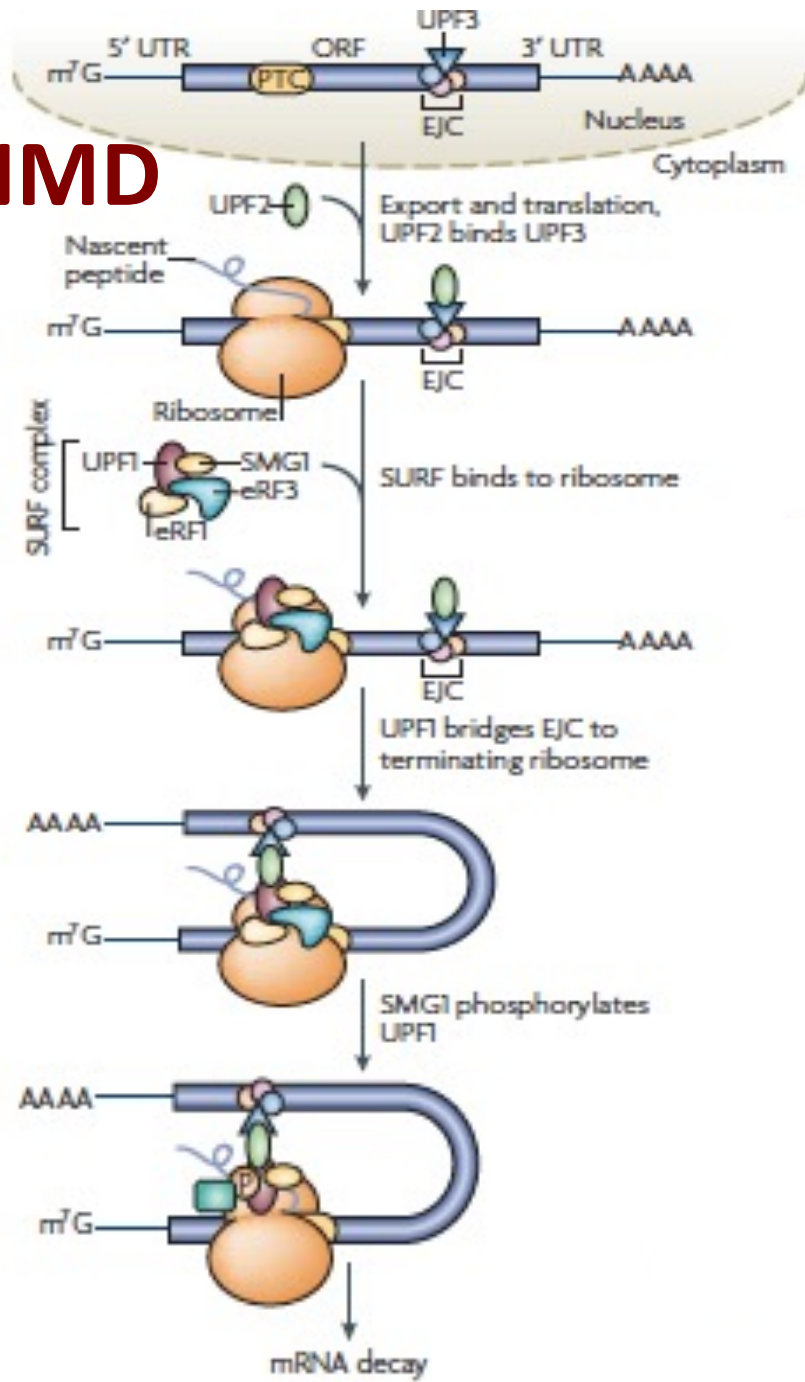


Dom34/Hbs1?
(Rack1, Hel2?)

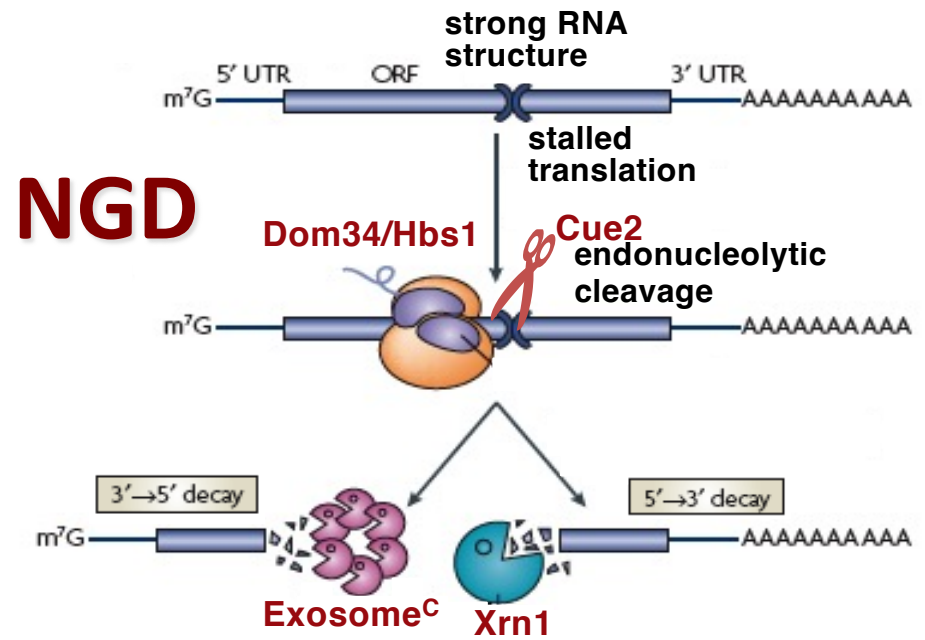
NGD
Endonucleolytic
cleavage



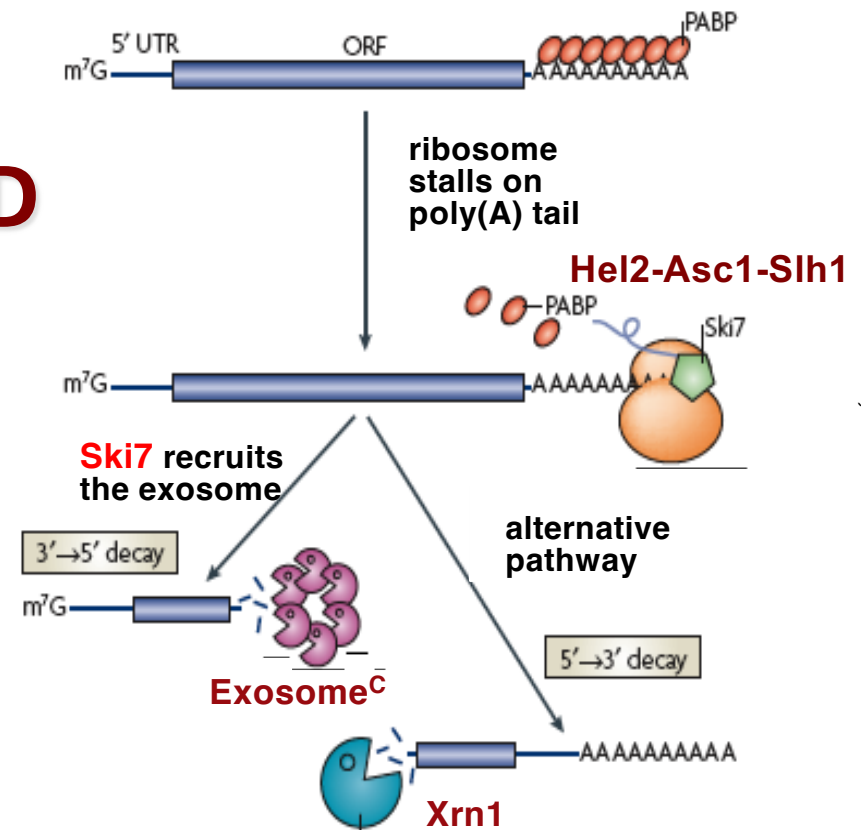
NMD



NGD



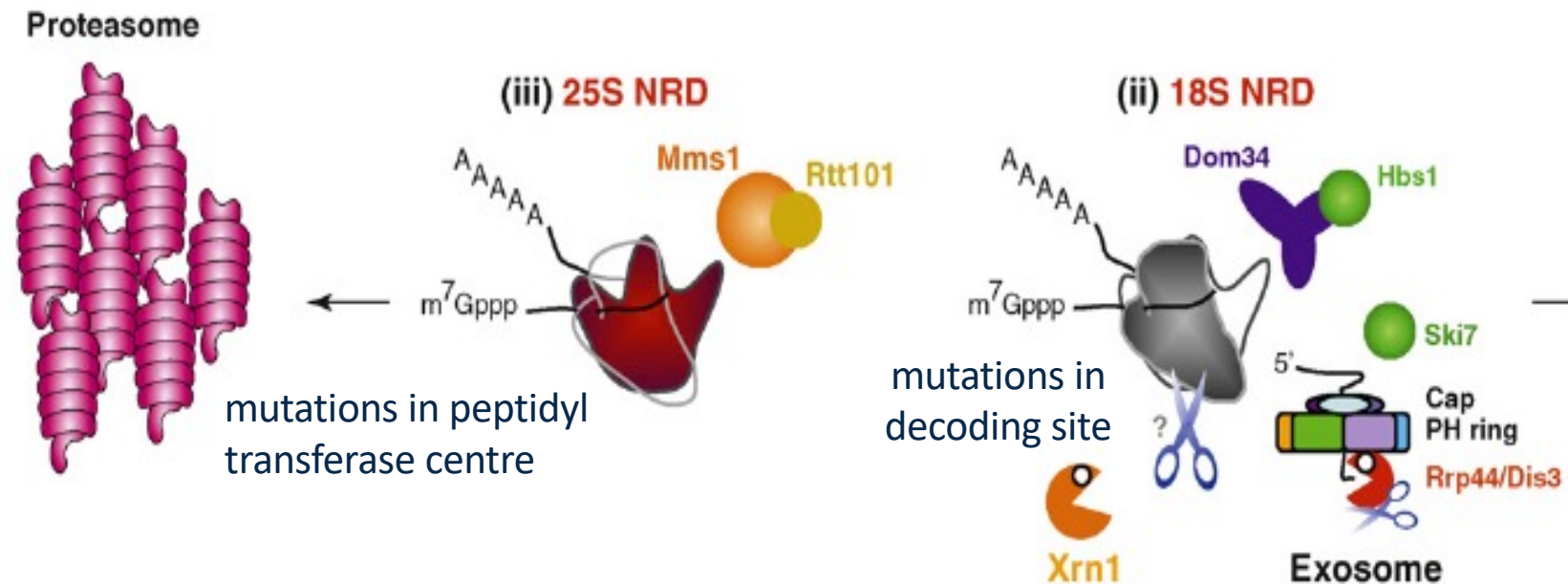
NSD



rRNA surveillance

NRD- Nonfunctional rRNA Decay

Mature aberrant ribosomes are eliminated in the cytoplasm



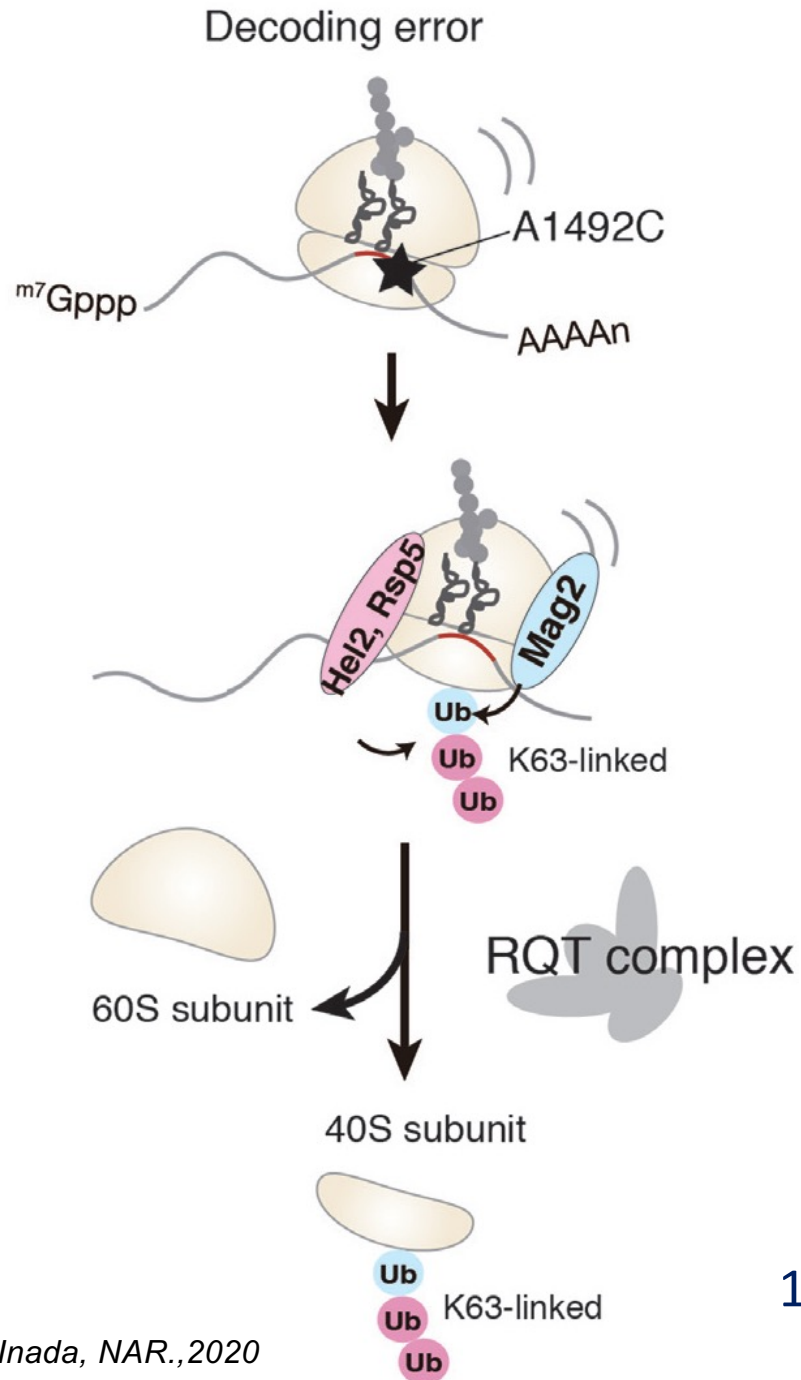
Mms1 & Rtt101

subunits of E3 ubiquitin ligase complex

Dom34 & Hbs1

factors involved in NGD and NSD

18S NRD

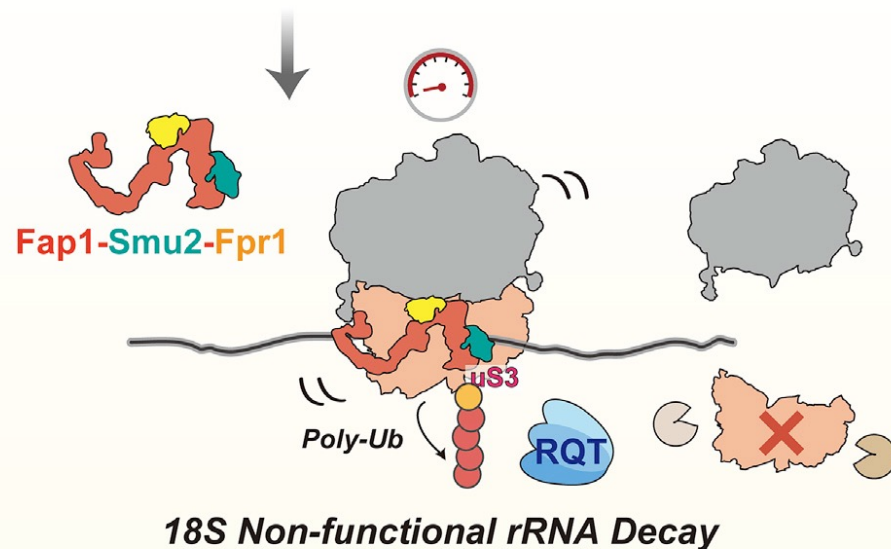
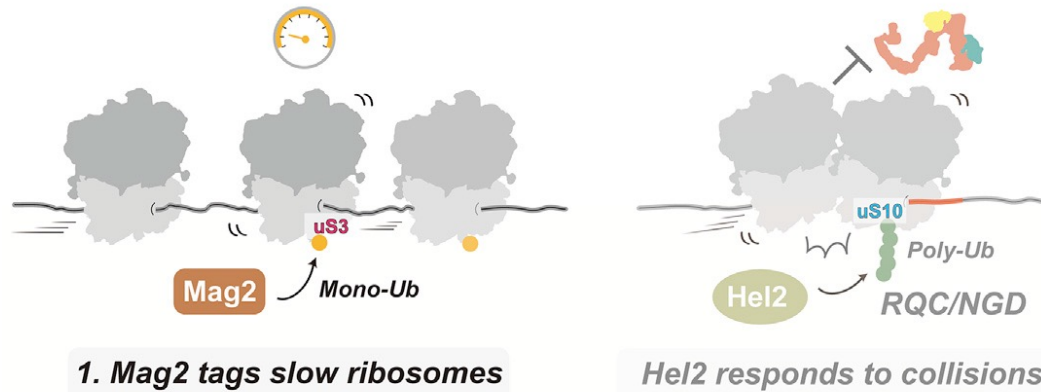


- Ribosome stalling due to decoding error
- Recognition of the stalled ribosome
- Ribosome ubiquitination
K212 of RPS3 is monoubiquitinated by **Mag2** followed by polyubiquitination by **Hel2** or **Rsp5**
- Ribosome dissociation
Subunit dissociation by the Ski2-like RNA helicase **Slh1** in the **RQT** complex
- 18s rRNA degradation by **Xrn1** or **exosome**

18S NRD factors are also involved in RQC

rRNA surveillance

18S NRD versus RQC



2. *Fap1 senses individual stalled 80S ribosomes*

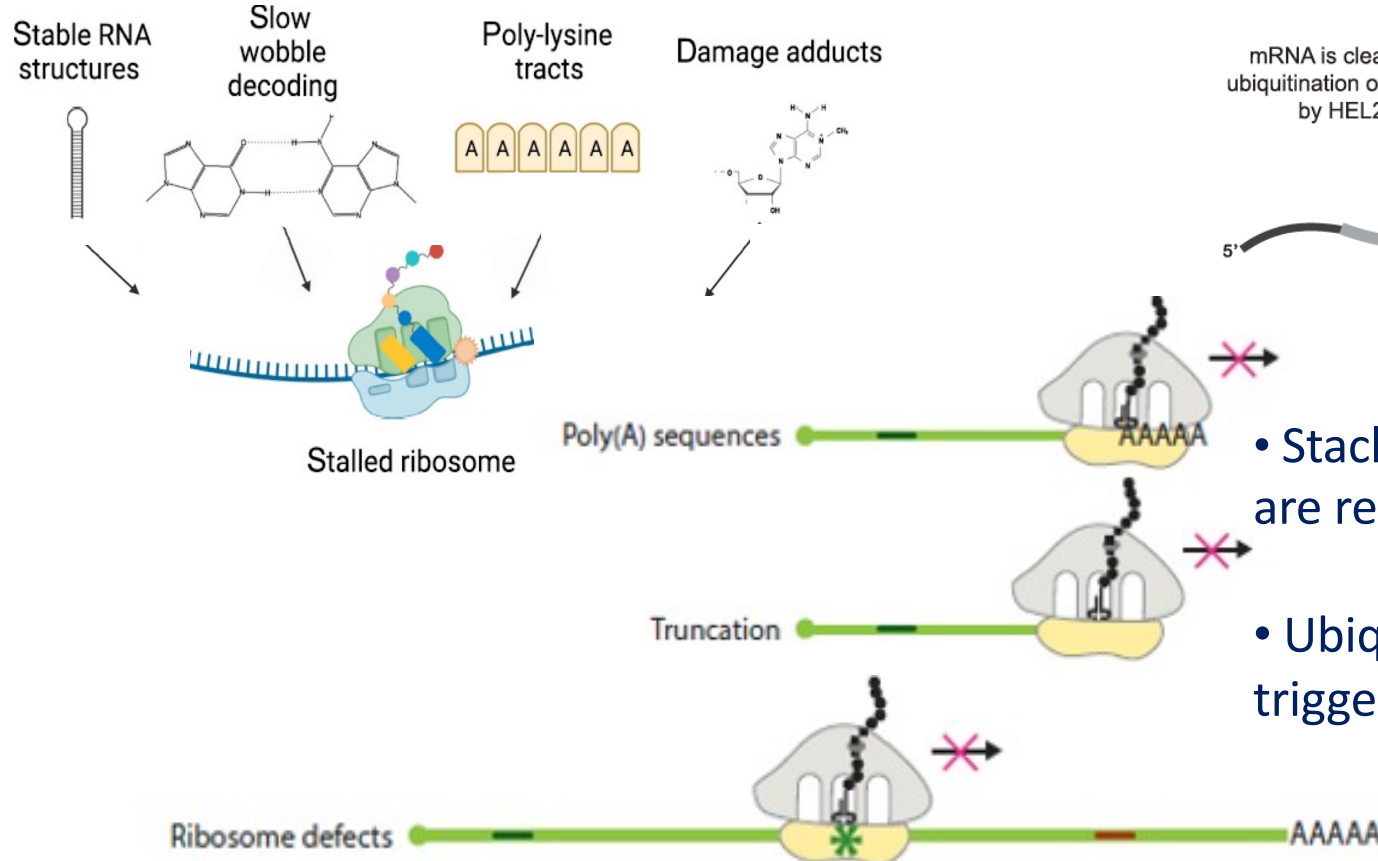
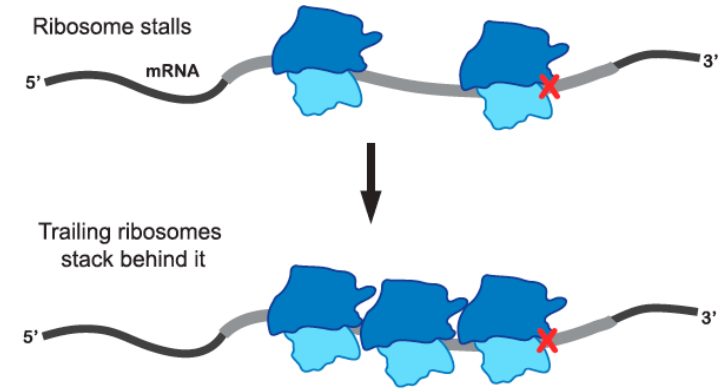
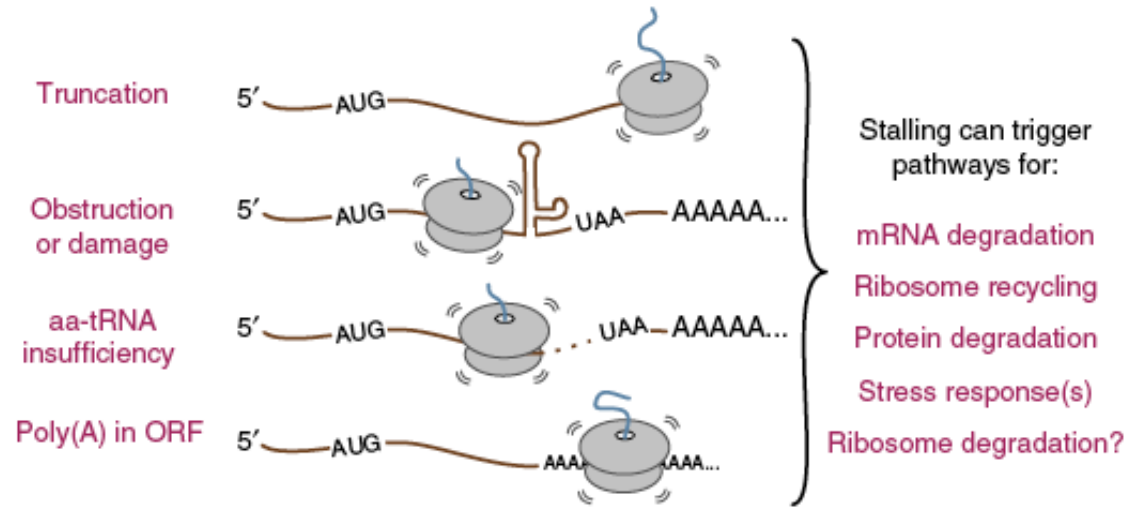
18S NRD

- detects non-functional ribosomes (mutation in the decoding center 18S rRNA)
- or stalled monosomes
- stalled ribosomes recognized by Mag2 E3 ligase, RPS3 monoUb Fap1 E3 ligase, RPS3 polyUb
- non-functional ribosomes are degraded

Ribosome Quality Control - RQC

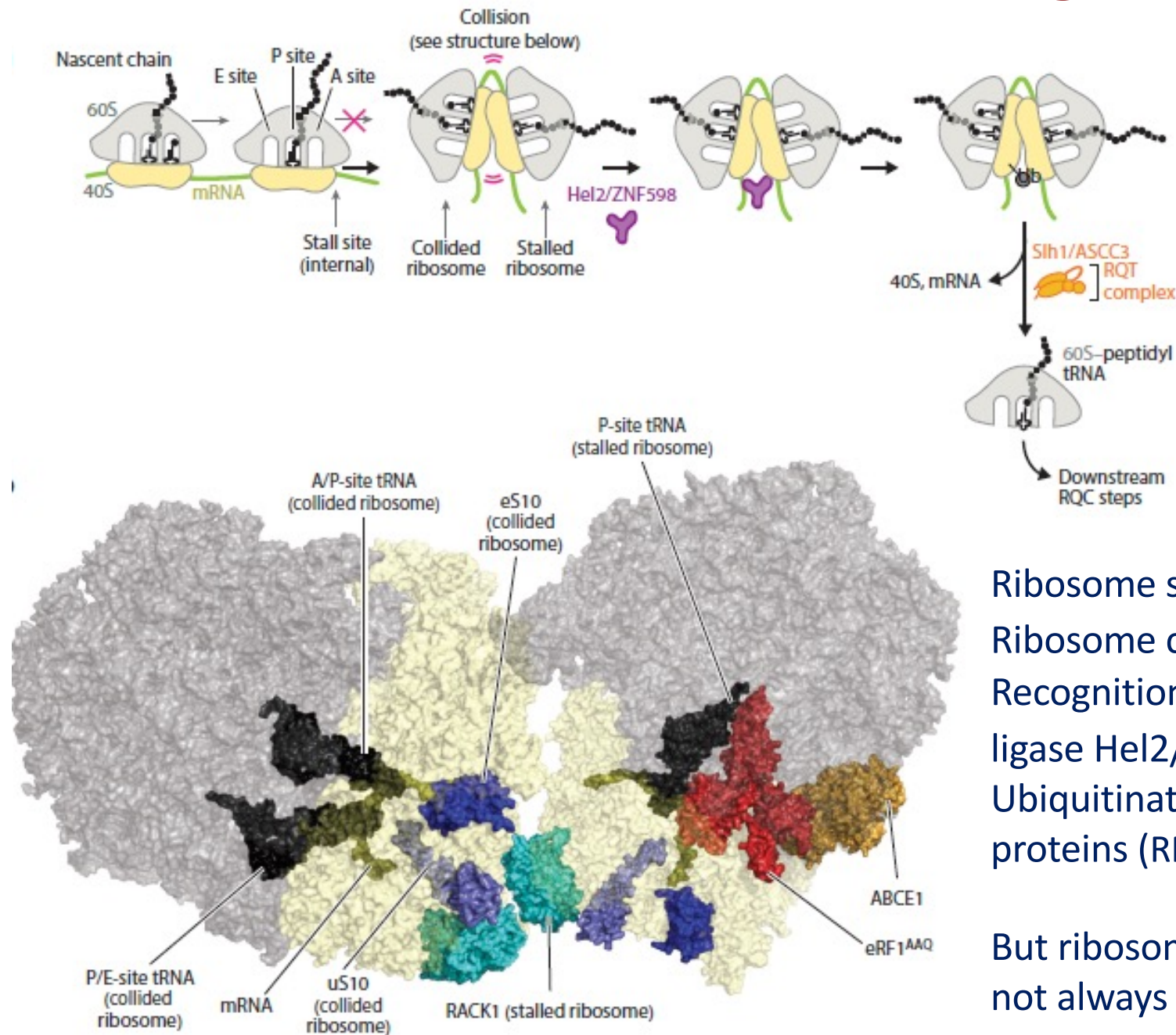
- detects collided ribosomes
- stalled disome recognized by Hel2 E3 ligase, RPS10-polyUb
- ribosomes are released and recycled

Ribosome stalling



- Stacked or colliding ribosomes are required to elicit NGD
- Ubiquitination of RPS3 by Hel2 triggers RQC

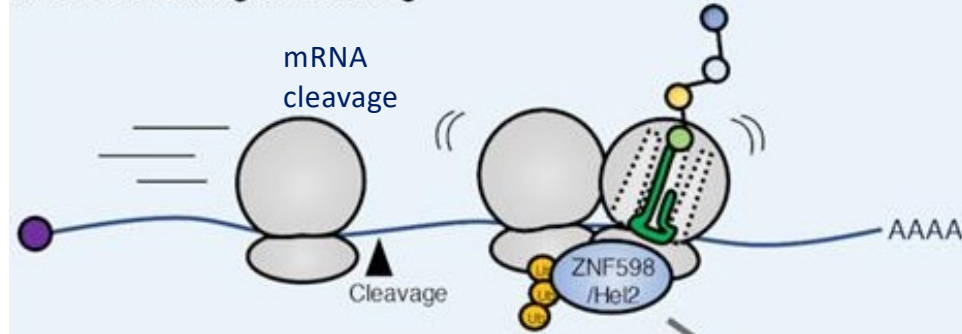
Ribosome stalling and collision



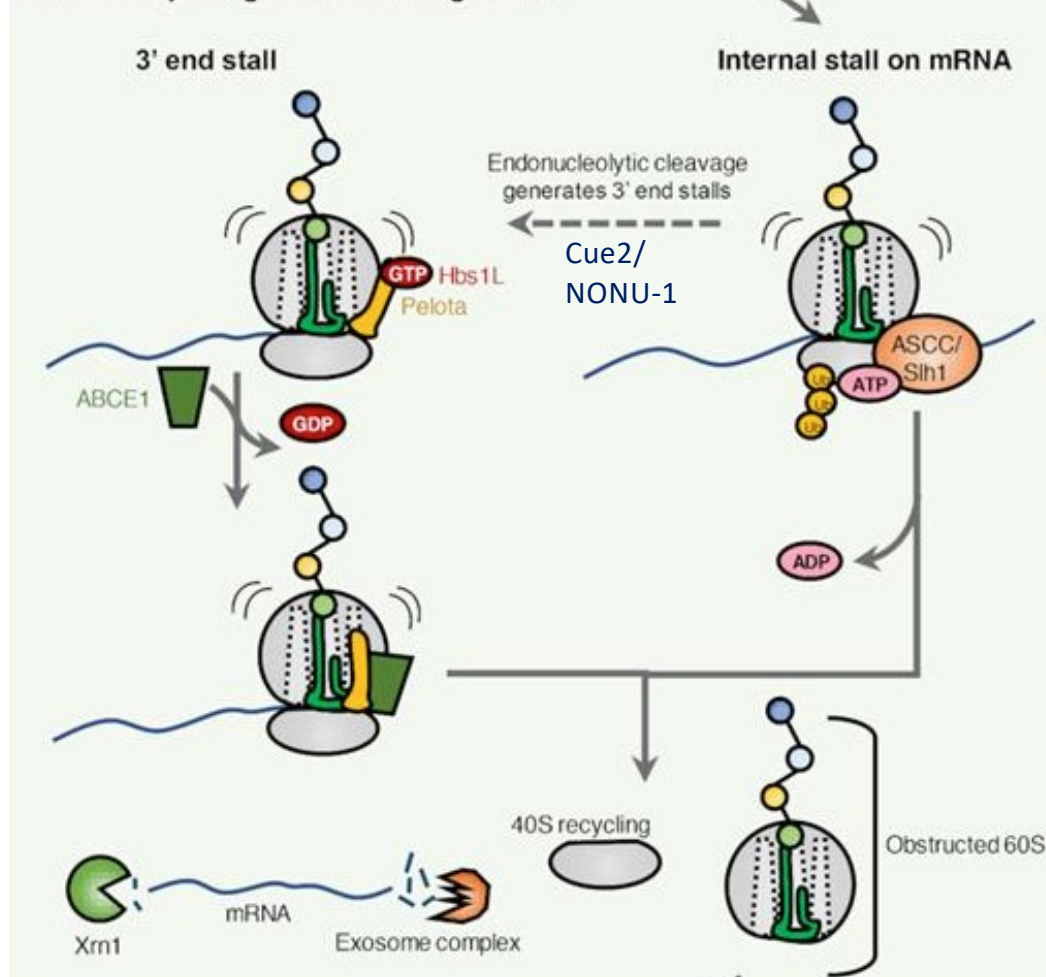
Ribosome stalling →
 Ribosome collision →
 Recognition by the E3 Ub
 ligase Hel2/ZNF589 →
 Ubiquitination of ribosomal
 proteins (RPS3, RPS20, RPS19)

But ribosome stalling does
 not always leads to collision

Ribosome stalling and sensing



Ribosome splitting and mRNA degradation



Ribosome rescue

Ribosome collision

Recognition by Hel2/ZNF589

Ubiquitination of RPs (RPS3, RPS20, RPS19)

Endonucleolytic mRNA cleavage by Cue2/NONU-1

Ribosome splitting/dissassembly

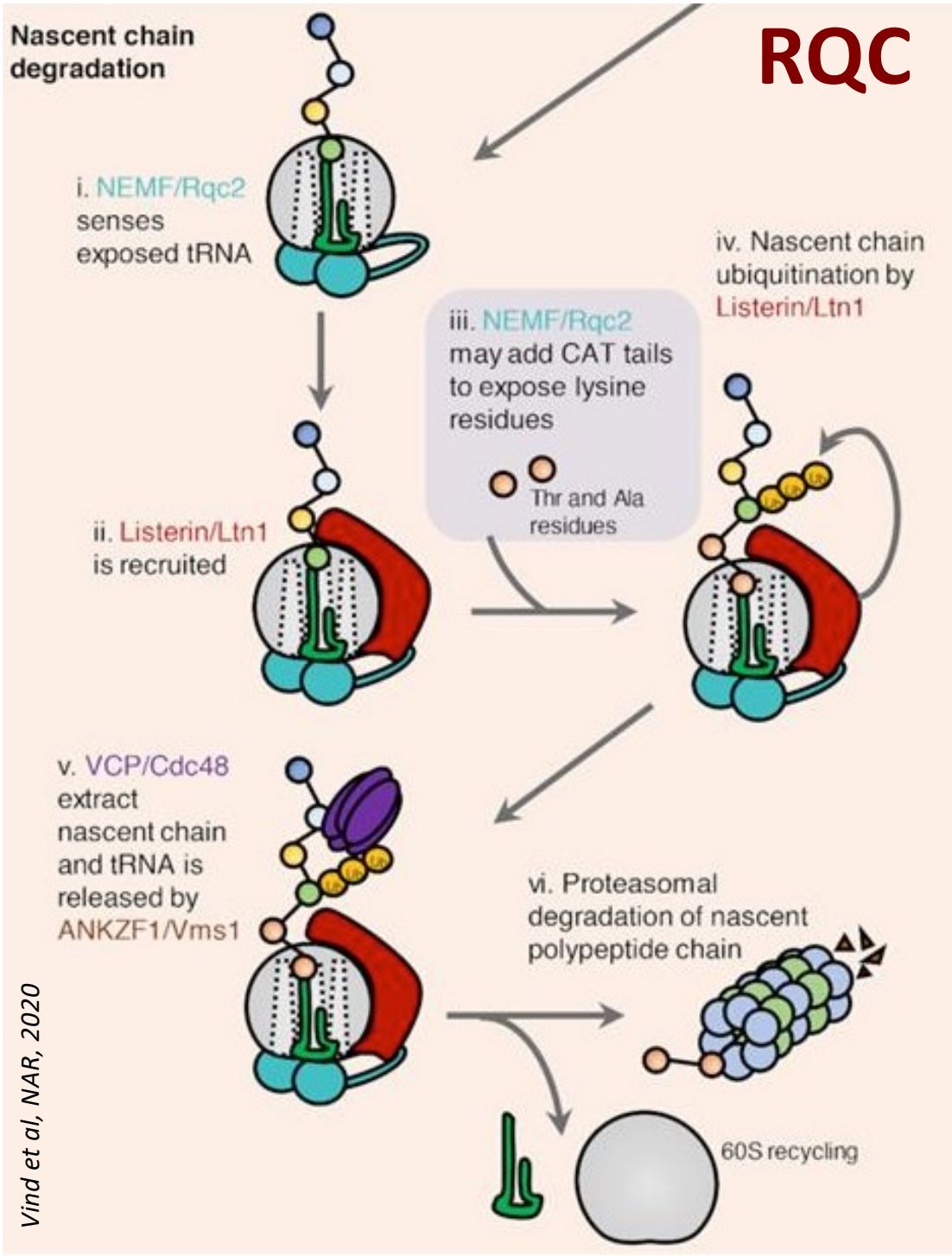
- by Dom34-Hbs1-Rli1

(Pelota/HBS1L or GTPBP2 /ABCE1)

or

- RQT (ribosome quality control trigger) complex Slh1, Cue3/Rqt3, and Rqt4

mRNA degradation (optional)



Vind et al, NAR, 2020

Recognition of tRNA-obstructed 60S by Rqc2/NEMF component of RQC. Recruitment of Ltn1/Listerin

Ubiquitination of the nascent chain Lys residues by E3 Ub ligase Ltn1/Listerin

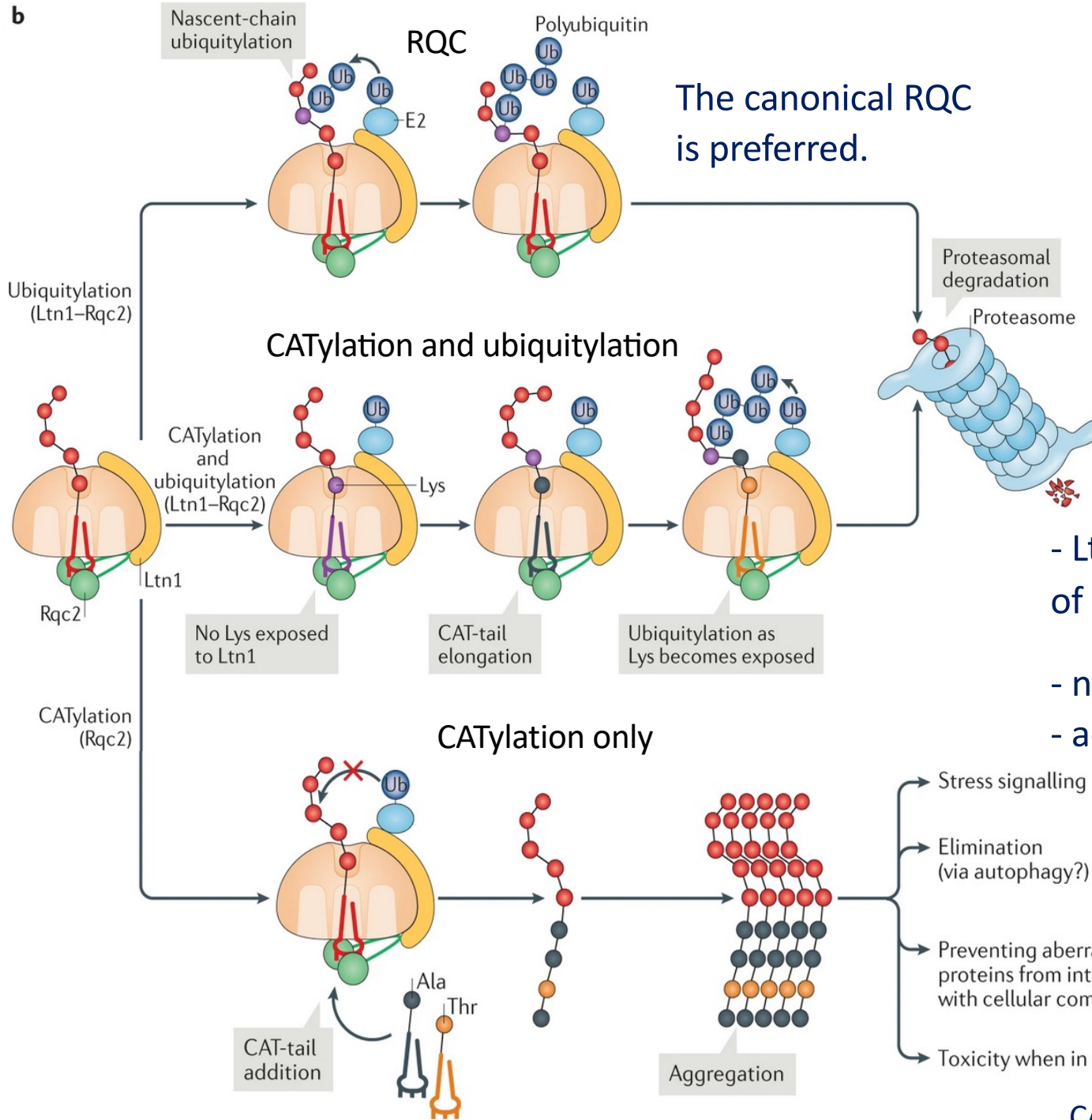
Alternative: CAT-tailing by Rqc2/NEMF to expose Lys residues buried in the ribosome

Recruitment of ATPase Cdc48/VCP by ubiquitination

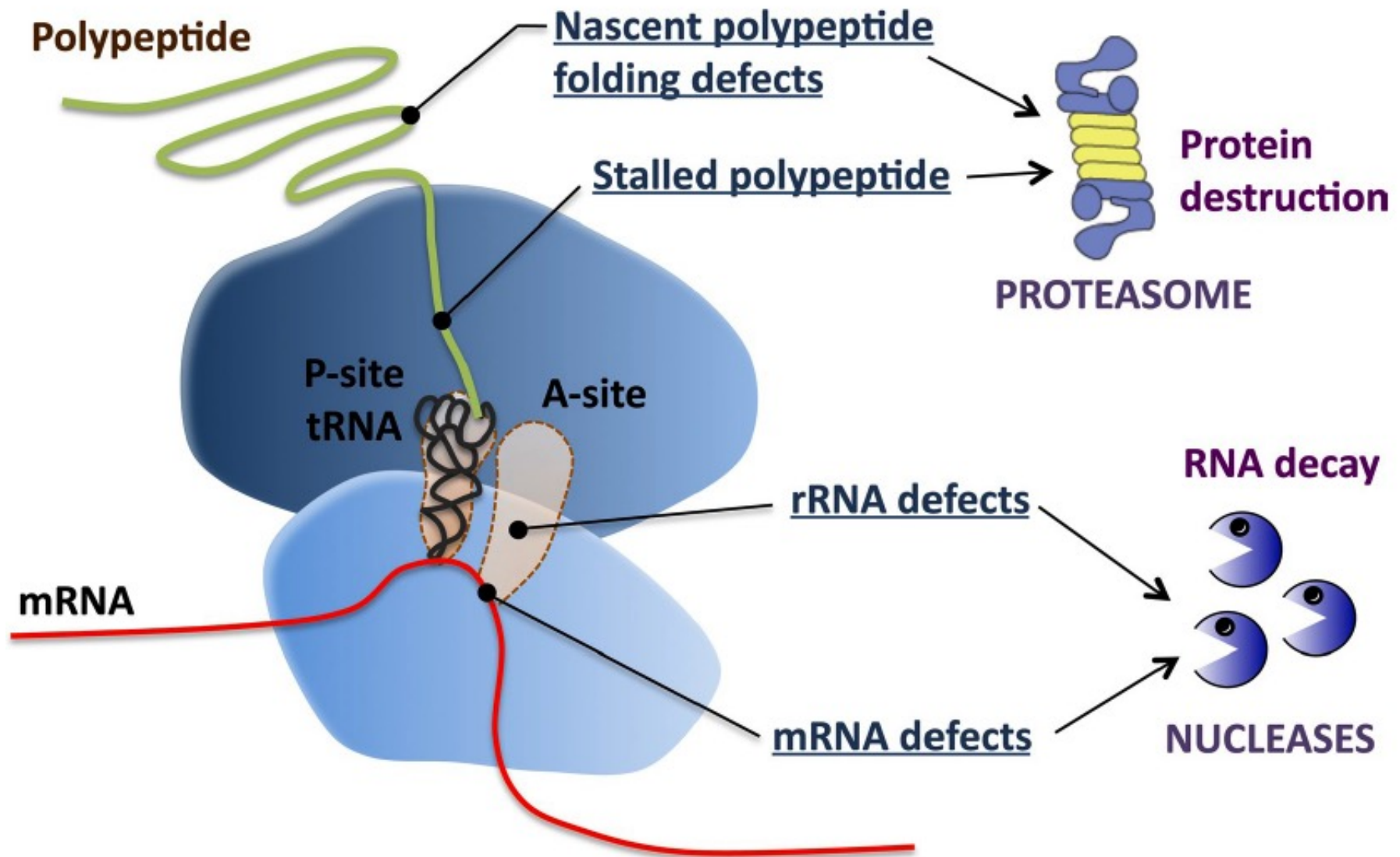
Extraction of the nascent chain by Cdc48/VCP and tRNA by Vms1/ANKZF1

Delivery of the polypeptide to the proteasome by Cdc48/VCP. Polypeptide degradation. 60S recycling

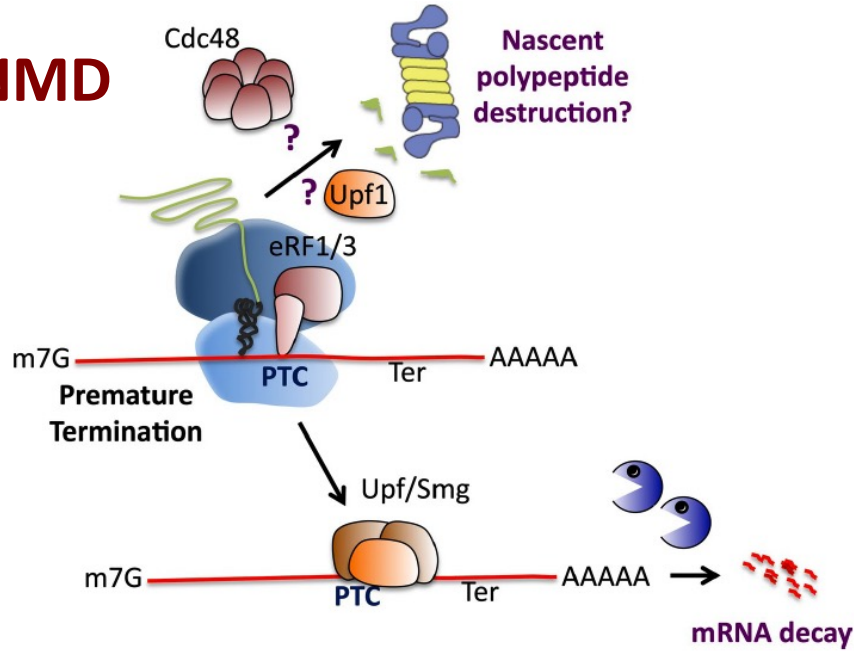
CATylation



Co-translational protein and mRNA QC

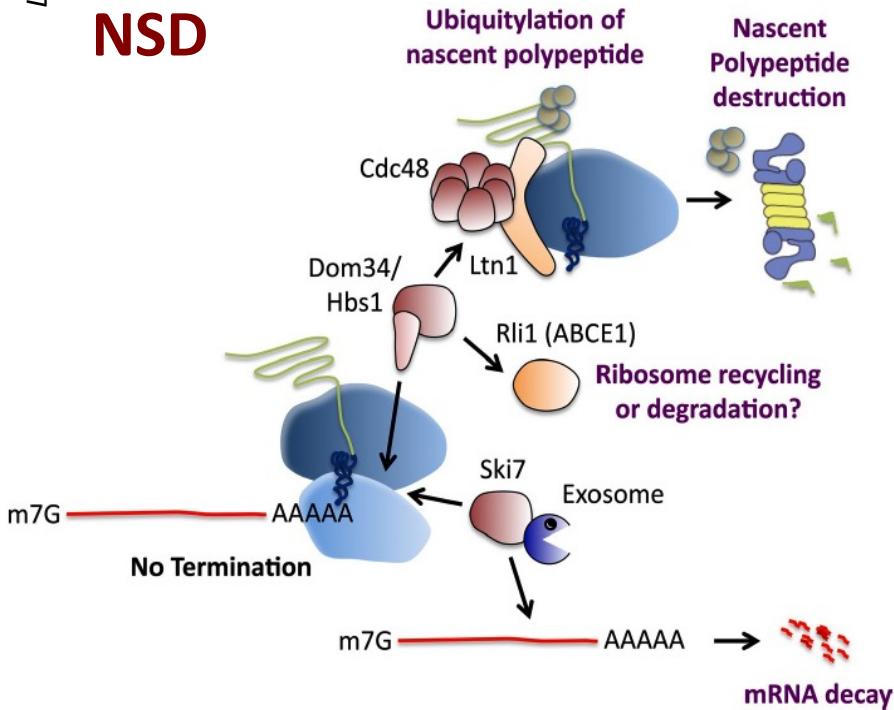


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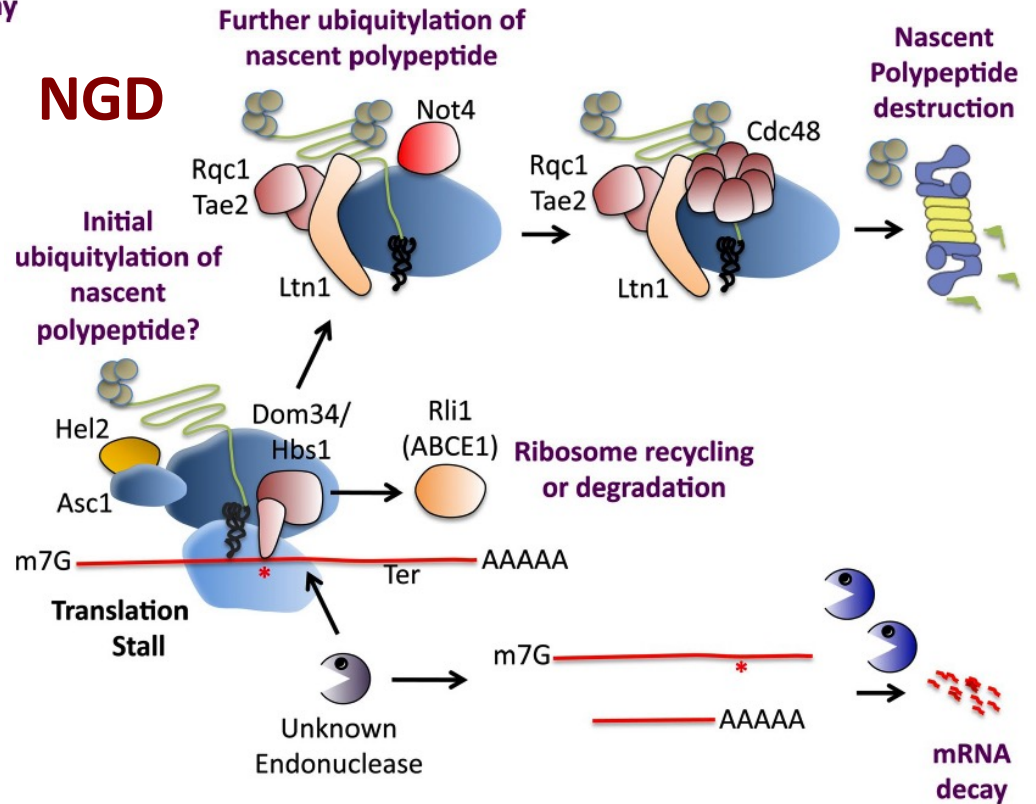


Co-translational QC

NSD



NGD



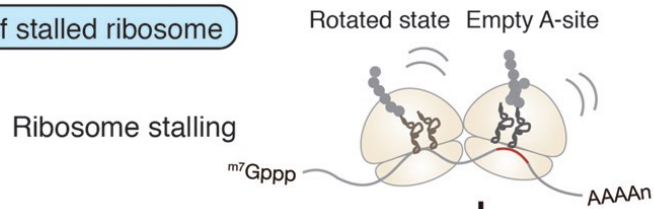
Lykke-Andersen and Bennett, JCB, 2014

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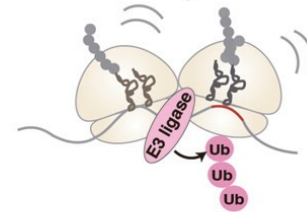
Global analyses of RNAs and RNPs

RIBOSOME QC (RQC)

1. Recognition of stalled ribosome

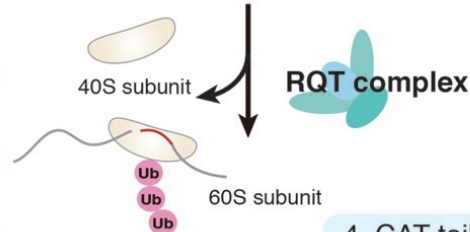


Ribosome ubiquitination

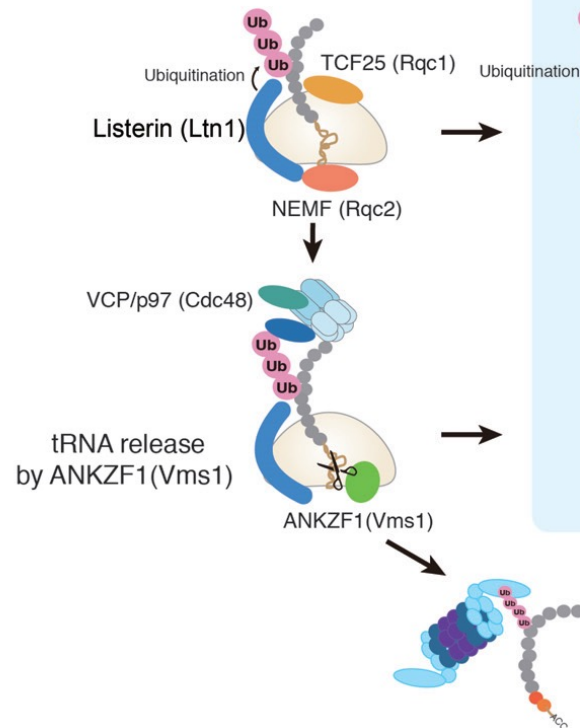


2. Ribosome splitting

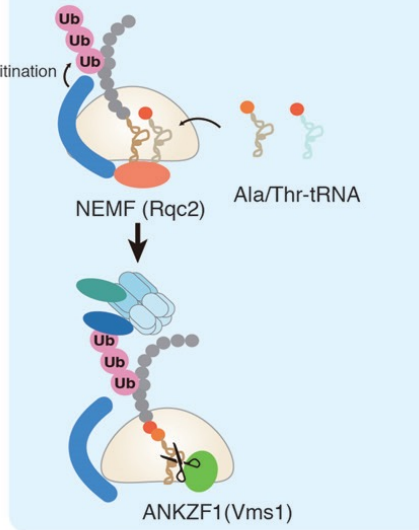
NGD(mRNA celavage)



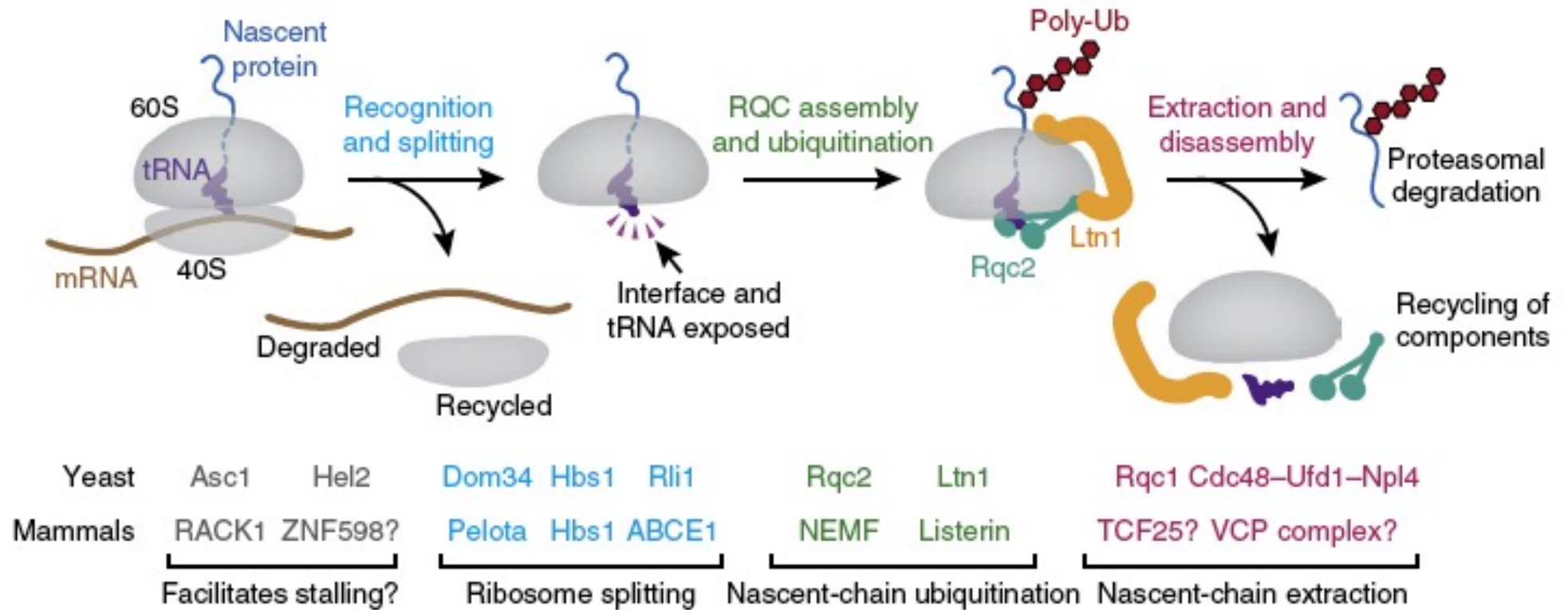
3. Proteasomal degradation



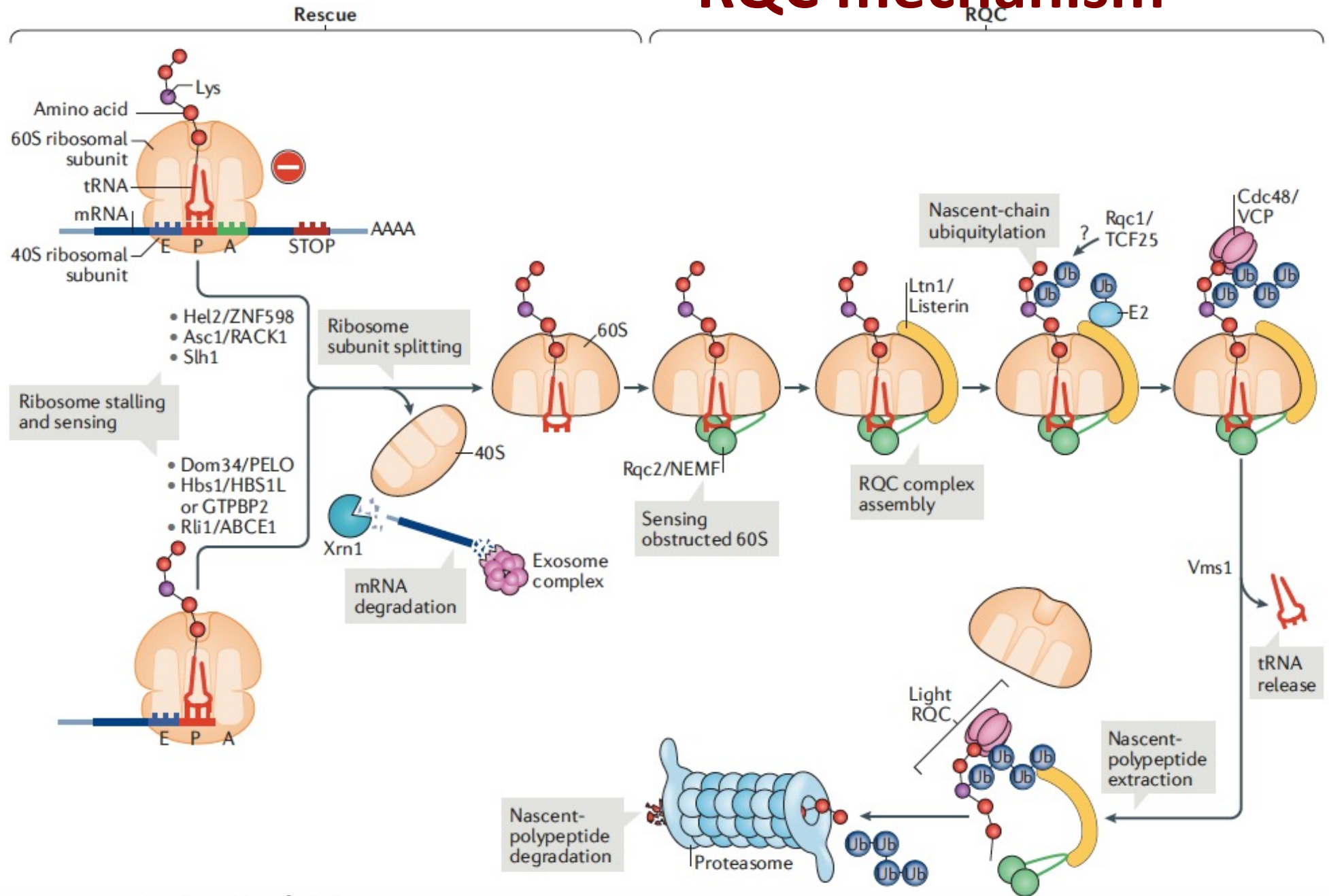
4. CAT-tailing by NEMF (Rqc2)



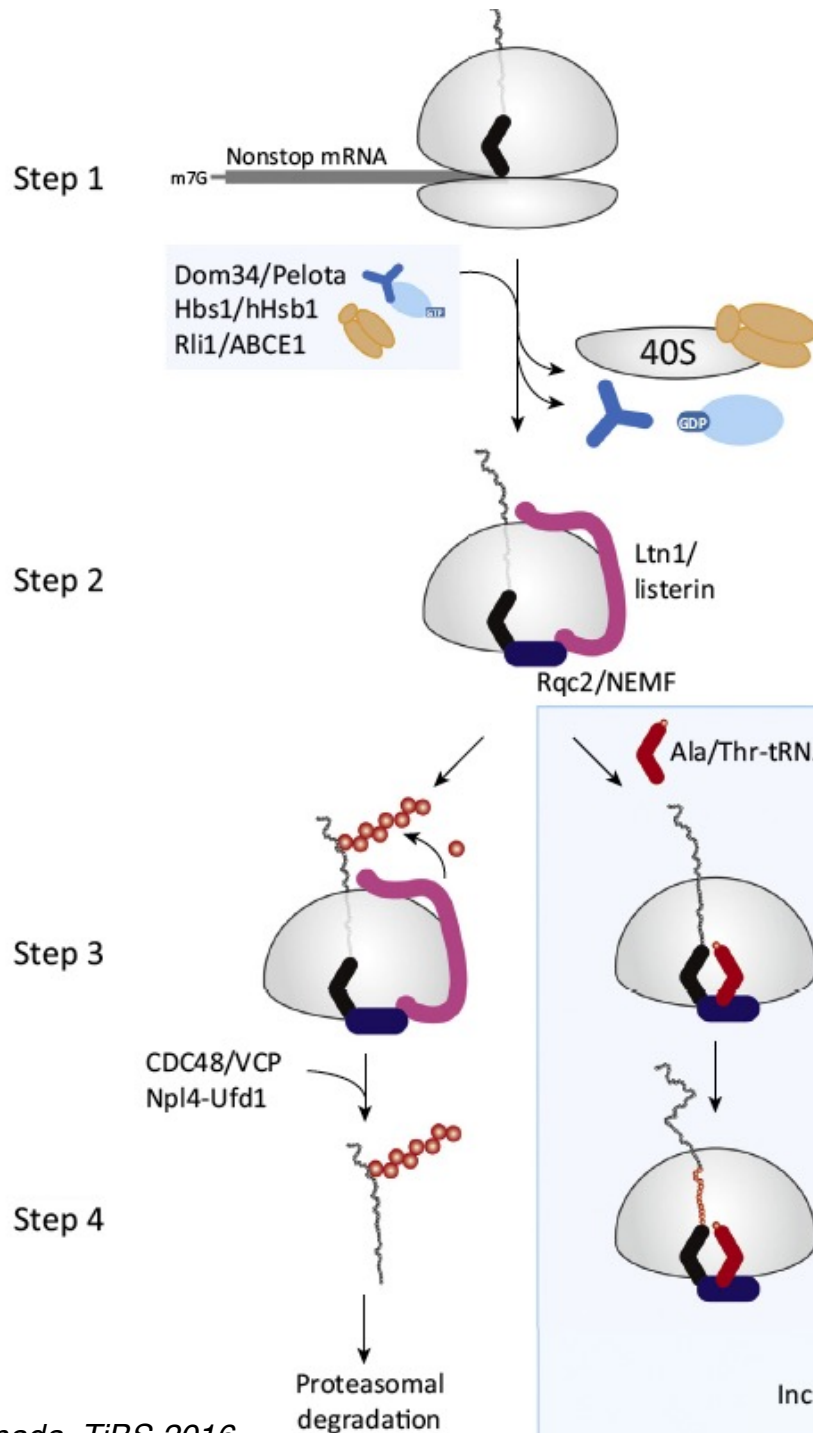
RQC pathway



RQC mechanism



RQC mechanism



Dom34-Hbs1-Rli1 or Hel2-Asc1-Slh1

facilitate subunit dissociation of stalled ribosomes
RQC proteins assemble on 60S

- Ltn1 Ub ligase ubiquitinates the nascent peptide
- Rqc2, Cdc48 and cofactors remove nascent peptide for proteasomal degradation
- Alternative pathways: via addition of CAT-tail (Ala and Thr extension)

CATylation

The canonical RQC is preferred but if ubiquitylation of the nascent polypeptide fails, CAT tail is added by Rqc2 to extract the trapped polypeptide
 CATylation results in

- Ltn1-dependent degradation of aberrant proteins
- nascent chain aggregation
- activation of stress signaling
- nascent chain proteolysis