

Eukaryotic Gene Regulation - Lactase

As you work your way through the eukaryotic gene regulation – lactase interactive activity, answer the following questions to help you collect the relevant information.

- 1. When is a gene expressed?
- 2. How is transcription regulated in eukaryotes?
- 3. How do general transcription factors work?
- 4. Explain the function of activators, repressors, and enhancers.

- 5. What is alternative splicing? What is its purpose?
- 6. How is translation regulated in eukaryotes?

7. What are proteasomes? What do they do?



8. Describe and explain how the LCT gene is turned off.

9. What is the lactase persistence mutation? Where is it found?

10. What are two possible mechanisms for lactase persistence?