



Seminar/Talk

Structural studies of mammalian RNA polymerase II elongation

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Host:

RNA polymerase (Pol) II produces mRNA during transcription of protein-coding genes in all eukaryotic cells. In my talk, I will report on the 3.4 Å-resolution cryo-EM structure of a mammalian Pol II elongation complex (EC). The structure reveals details of EC-nucleic acid interactions, and yields insights into the conformational dynamics of Pol II. Upstream DNA emanates from the active center cleft at an angle of $\sim 105^\circ$ with respect to downstream DNA. This position of upstream DNA allows for binding of the general transcription elongation factor DSIF (SPT4-SPT5). Our results provide a structural basis for the mechanistic analysis of human transcription elongation.

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