James Dewey Watson 1928-Francis Harry Compton Crick 1916–2004

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The

Helix

James D. Watson

Thymine
Adenine

Send

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Phosphatedeoxyribose backbone

Guanine

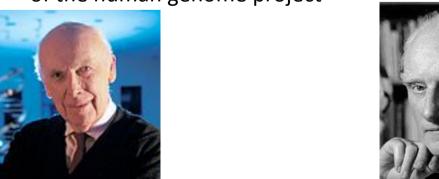
Cytosine

5 end

Nobel 1962

Crick is a physicist who moved to biology,
Worked with Wilkins on x-ray diffraction from fibers.
Received from him Rosalyn Franklin's DNA
fiber diffraction pictures. With Watson they assembled
Information about DNA: "Chargraff ratio" 1:1 of
purines to pyrimidines, model their bonding, and
guided by the hereditary functions of DNA, and
proposed the double helix model.

Watson: Head of Cold Spring Harbor labs. Among the initiators of the human genome project



Crick continued deciphering the genetic tripple-base code of DNA sequence Into protein sequences.

DNA->RNA-> proteins and predicted protein transcription mediator, t-RNA

