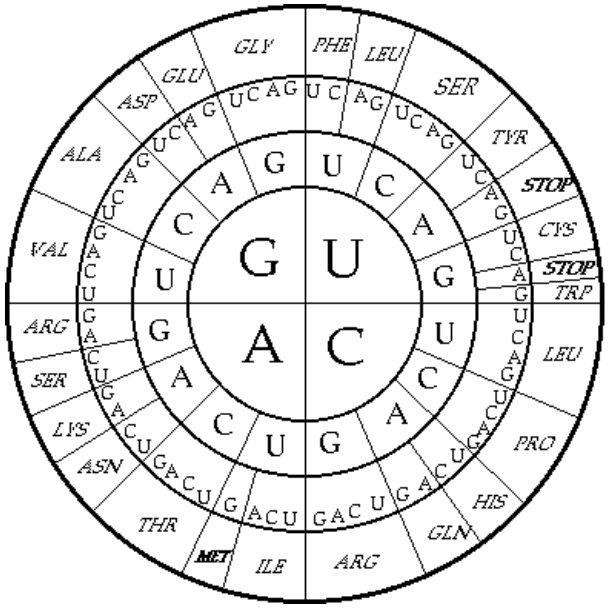
Universal Genetic Code



Universal Genetic Code Chart

Messenger RNA Codons and Amino Acids for Which They Code

First base	Second base: U	Second base: C	Second base: A	Second base: G	Third base
U	UUU, UUC } PHE UUA, UUG } LEU	UCU, UCC, UCA, UCG } SER	UAU, UAC } TYR UAA, UAG } STOP	UGU, UGC } CYS UGA } STOP UGG } TRP	U C A G
C	CUU, CUC, CUA, CUG } LEU	CCU, CCC, CCA, CCG } PRO	CAU, CAC } HIS CAA, CAG } GLN	CGU, CGC, CGA, CGG } ARG	U C A G
A	AUU, AUC, AUA } ILE AUG } MET or START	ACU, ACC, ACA, ACG } THR	AAU, AAC } ASN AAA, AAG } LYS	AGU, AGC } SER AGA, AGG } ARG	U C A G
G	GUU, GUC, GUA, GUG } VAL	GCU, GCC, GCA, GCG } ALA	GAU, GAC } ASP GAA, GAG } GLU	GGU, GGC, GGA, GGG } GLY	U C A G

Use the above code with mRNA codons ONLY!

The 20 amino acids

Abbreviation	Amino acid	Abbreviation	Amino acid
Ala	Alanine	Leu	Leucine
Arg	Arginine	Lys	Lysine
Asp	Aspartic acid	Met	Methionine
Asn	Asparagine	Phe	Phenylalanine
Cys	Cysteine	Pro	Proline
Gln	Glutamine	Ser	Serine
Glu	Glutamic acid	Thr	Threonine
Gly	Glycine	Trp	Tryptophan
His	Histidine	Tyr	Tyrosine
Ile	Isoleucine	Val	Valine