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What came first: the DNA or protein? Discovery The discovery of ribozymes and the RNA world hypothesis of RNA world hashave provided a new perspective to-given this question another dimension. Enzymes were was the only known natural catalysts to the discovery of ribozymes.

Ribozymes (also known as RNA enzyme enzymes or catalytic RNA) are RNA particles that catalyze biochemical reaction reactions. Thomas Cech and Altman, who were the first to discovered ribozymes during in the 1980s, and went on later to investigate subsequently studied their the catalytic properties. Thomas Cech found that when additional cell extract was absent, the splicing of introns in a-ribosomal RNA in ribosomal RNA gene genes in Tetrahymena thermophila were found to occur in Tetrahymena thermophila underwent splicingin the absence of additional cell extract. Sidney Altman and his colleagueset al., separated discovered the bacterial RNase P, an enzyme responsible for changing converting a-precursor tRNA to its active tRNA form. However, it was found that in addition to the proteins, the enzyme also contained RNA that could stimulate the cleavage of the cleavage of precursor tRNA into tRNA in the absence of the protein component. Also, Thomas Cech gave the conclusion concluded that the intron sequence of the RNA cancould break-cleave and reform phosphodiester phosdiester bonds. They Cech and Altman won the Nobel Prize in chemistry for the same thing this in 1989. Natural ribosomes ribozymes catalyze the hydrolysis of their own phosphodiester bonds. They also catalyze and other RNA sequences. They also catalyze the aminotransferase activity. They also catalyze the hydrolysis of the other RNA. Ribozymes are so called because they act as enzyme of their specificity and belong to RNA. However Despite possessing enzymatic activity, they

Comment [A1]: A comma is not used to separate the subject and the verb and has therefore been deleted here.

Comment [A2]: In academic writing, information should be presented with accuracy. At this instance, the term "ribosomes" refers to a cell organelle, whereas "ribozymes" refers to catalytic RNA. This typographical error has been revised for accuracy.

Comment [A3]: This information has been deleted because it is not essential with respect to context and has already been conveyed previously in the text

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<u>ribozymes</u> are <u>different</u> <u>differ</u> from <u>other</u> enzymes <u>because of the</u> e-following reasons:

- 1) Unlike enzymes, ribozymes do not require <u>a specific pH</u> and temperature <u>to function</u>.
- 2) Ribozymes consists They consist of nucleotides.
- 3) They do not have well-defined regions, such as active site_and eatalyzed catalytic sitesites.
- They can act on <u>a veryextremely</u> small amounts of substances but perform a more limited set of instructions.

To date, A-many number of natural ribozymes have been discovered and several artificial ribozymes have been synthesized till date. The discovery of naturally occurring ribozymes is increasing, along with which several artificial ribozymes have also been synthesized. Due to Because of their abilities, ribozymes have been investigated for applications as therapeutic agents and, biosensors, and in genomics functions in addition to their functions in genomics and gene discovery and discovery of genes.

Comment [A4]: A compound modifier contains 2 or more words, which act together as one adjective and are connected by hyphens. Hyphens are used with these terms so that their meaning is understood clearly.