

	Pol I	Pol II	Pol III	Pol IV	Pol V
DNA polymerase family	A	B	C	Y	Y
Activity	5'-3' polymerase 3'-5' exonuclease 5'-3' exonuclease	5'-3' polymerase 3'-5' exonuclease	5'-3' polymerase 3'-5' exonuclease	5'-3' polymerase	5'-3' polymerase
Number of molecules/cell					
- SOS	400	50 - 75	10 - 20	150 - 250	< 15
+ SOS	400	350 - 1000	10 - 20	1200 - 2500	200
Biological functions in the cell	DNA replication, Okazaki fragment maturation, DNA repair	DNA replication (backup DNA polymerase), DNA repair, TLS	DNA replication DNA repair	TLS	TLS

Fig. 3. The five DNA polymerases of *Escherichia coli* and some of their relevant properties.