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**H b**

**structure, function**

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Hb dospělých / adult Hb = HbA =  $\alpha_2 \beta_2$

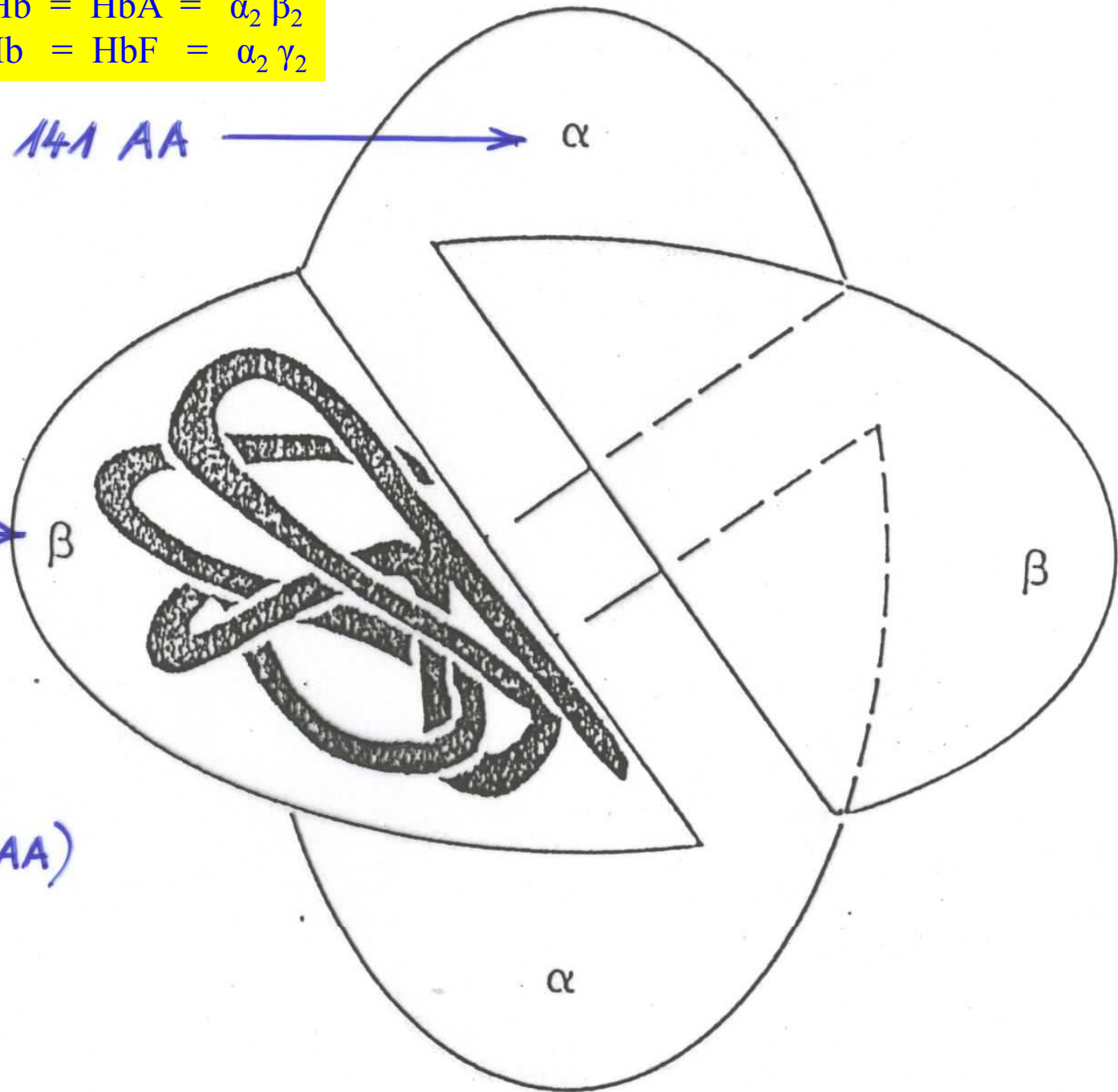
Hb fetální / fetal Hb = HbF =  $\alpha_2 \gamma_2$

141 AA →  $\alpha$

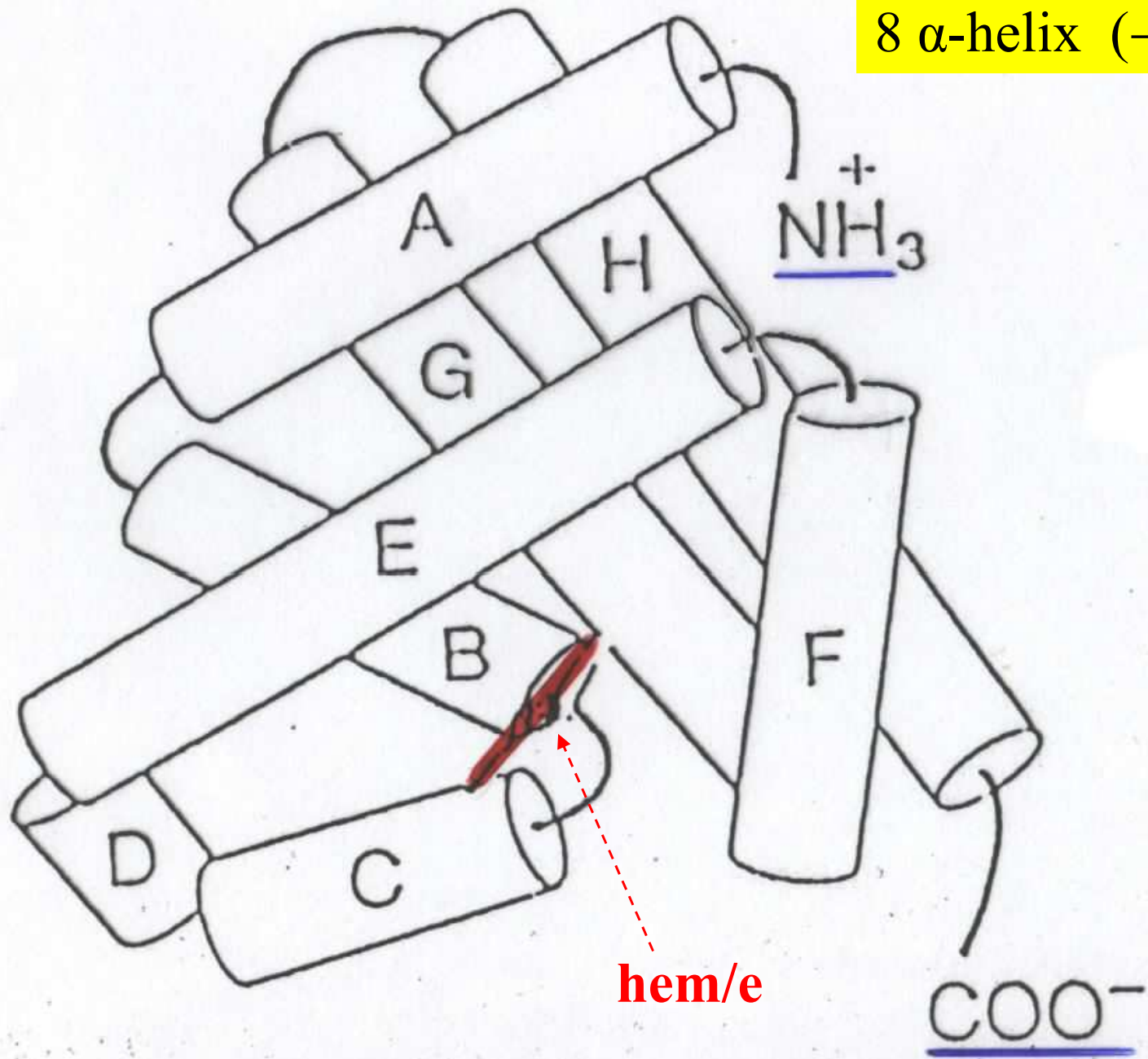
146 AA →  $\beta$

$M_r = 64.000$

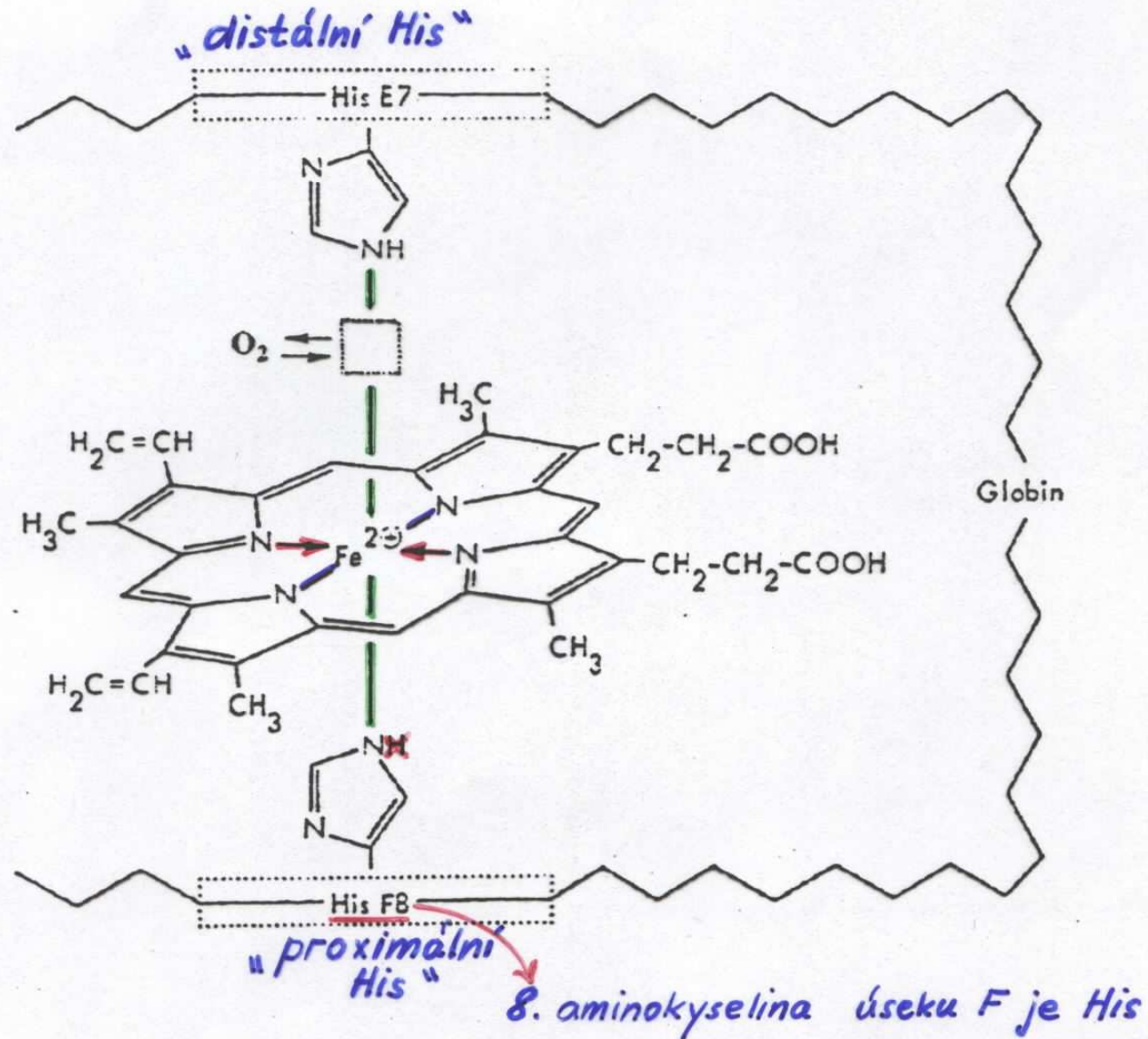
(myoglobin 150 AA)



8  $\alpha$ -helix ( $\rightarrow$  A, ... H)



# Struktura hemu



Fe (n-1)d VIII → 8 valenčních e<sup>-</sup>

**Fe<sup>2+</sup>**

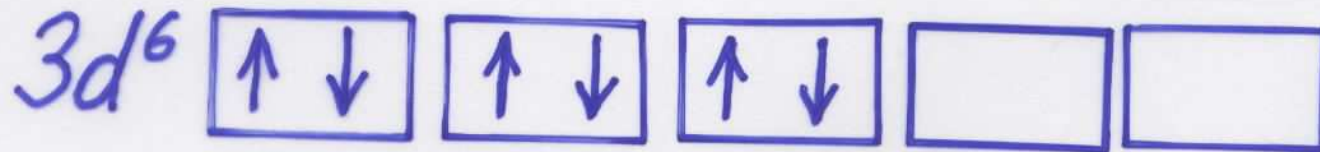
High-spin Fe(II) (larger radius, lose O<sub>2</sub>)



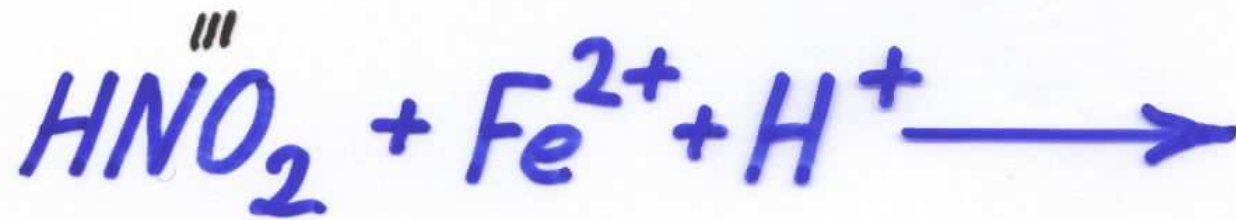
„vysokospinový stav“

(součet spinů je vysoký)  
větší objem Fe

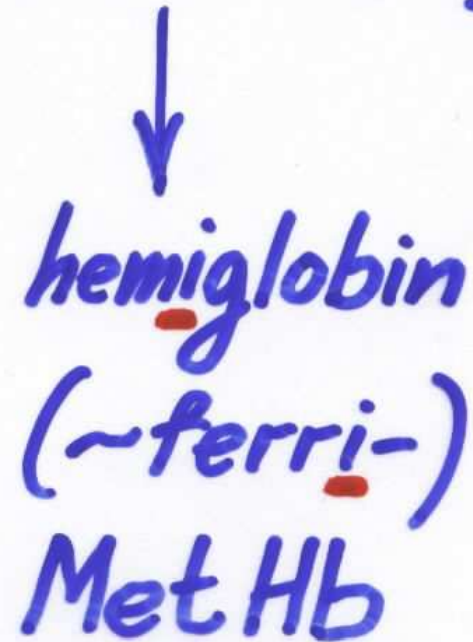
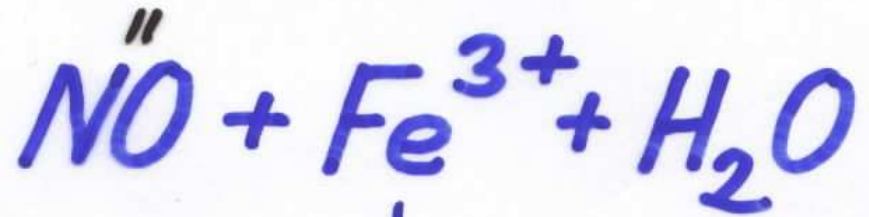
Low-spin Fe(II) (smaller radius, gain O<sub>2</sub>)



„nízkospinový stav“



ferrosi-



ferr-

# Iron in hem - remark

Iron is bonded to the cyclic tetrapyrrole so, that formal two pyrrole nuclei lost  $H^+$  from their nitrogens.

This way free electron pair was formed on every from two nitrogens. The pair of electrons creates dative covalent bond with  $Fe^{2+}$  (on every from two nuclei).  $Fe^{2+}$  brings in the molecule of heme 2 positive charges, „lost“ as 2  $H^+$ .

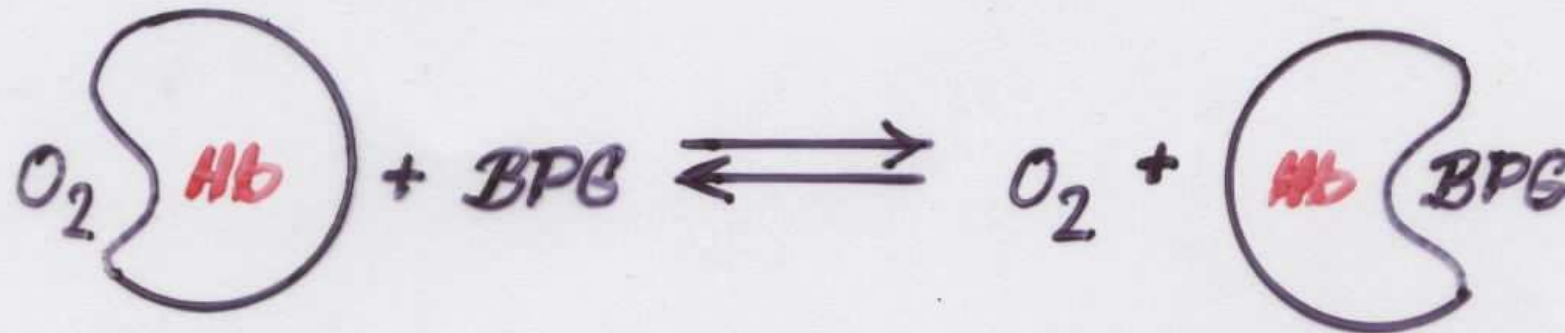
**Heme in hemoglobin is now electric neutral and bonds also electric neutral molecules ( $O_2$ , CO) too.**

The oxidation of iron on  $Fe^{3+}$  ( $\rightarrow$  hemoglobin, methemoglobin) leads to gain of one positive charge in molecule of heme.

Then heme is a cation and bonds anions (e.g.  $CN^-$ , however it is not able to bond electric neutral molecules – so it cannot transfer oxygen).

The facts are important among others for toxicology.





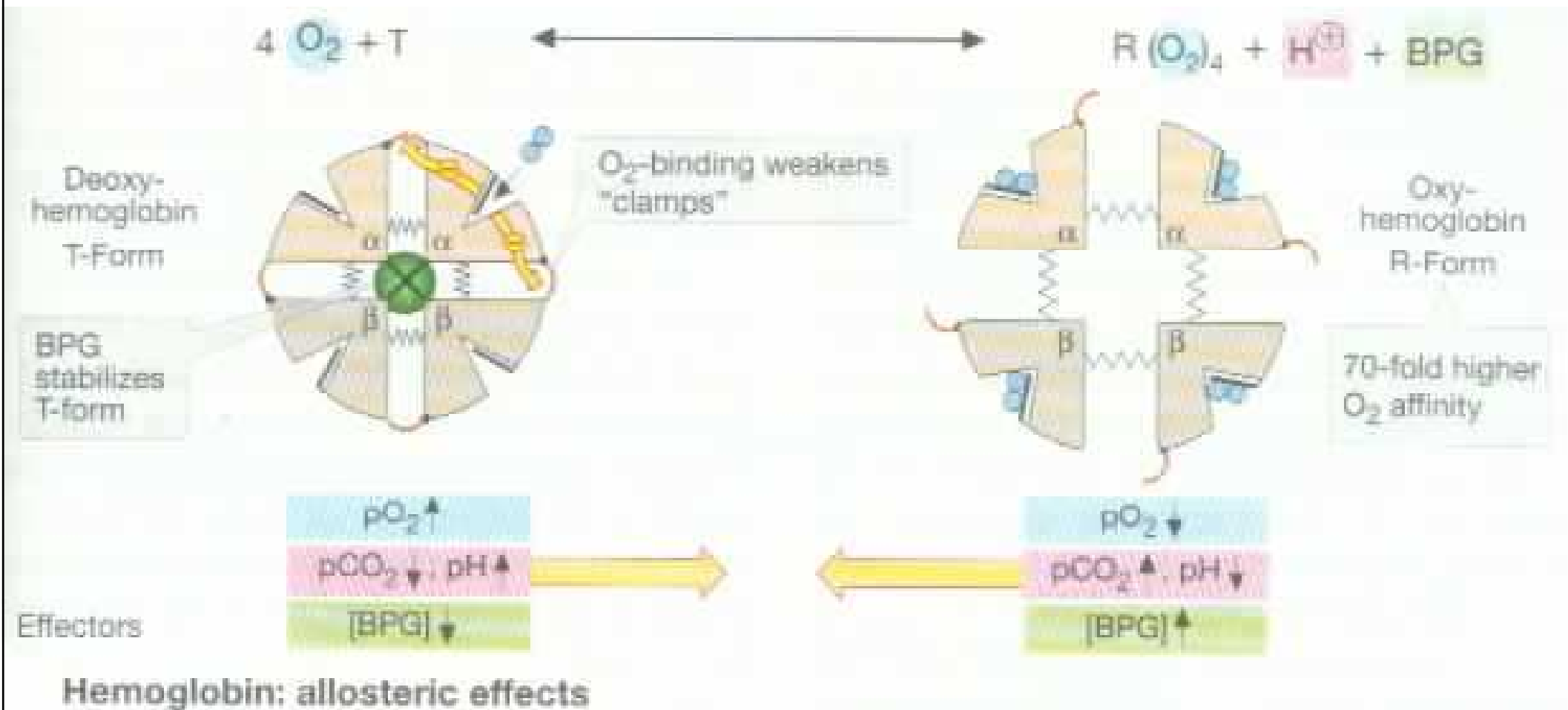
Bohrův efekt: snížení afinity kyslíku k Hb při nízkém pH

Bohr effect : decrease of affinity of oxygen to Hb at low pH

BPG = 2,3-bisphosphoglycerate

model: neúplně nafouknutý míč / model: not fully blow up ball

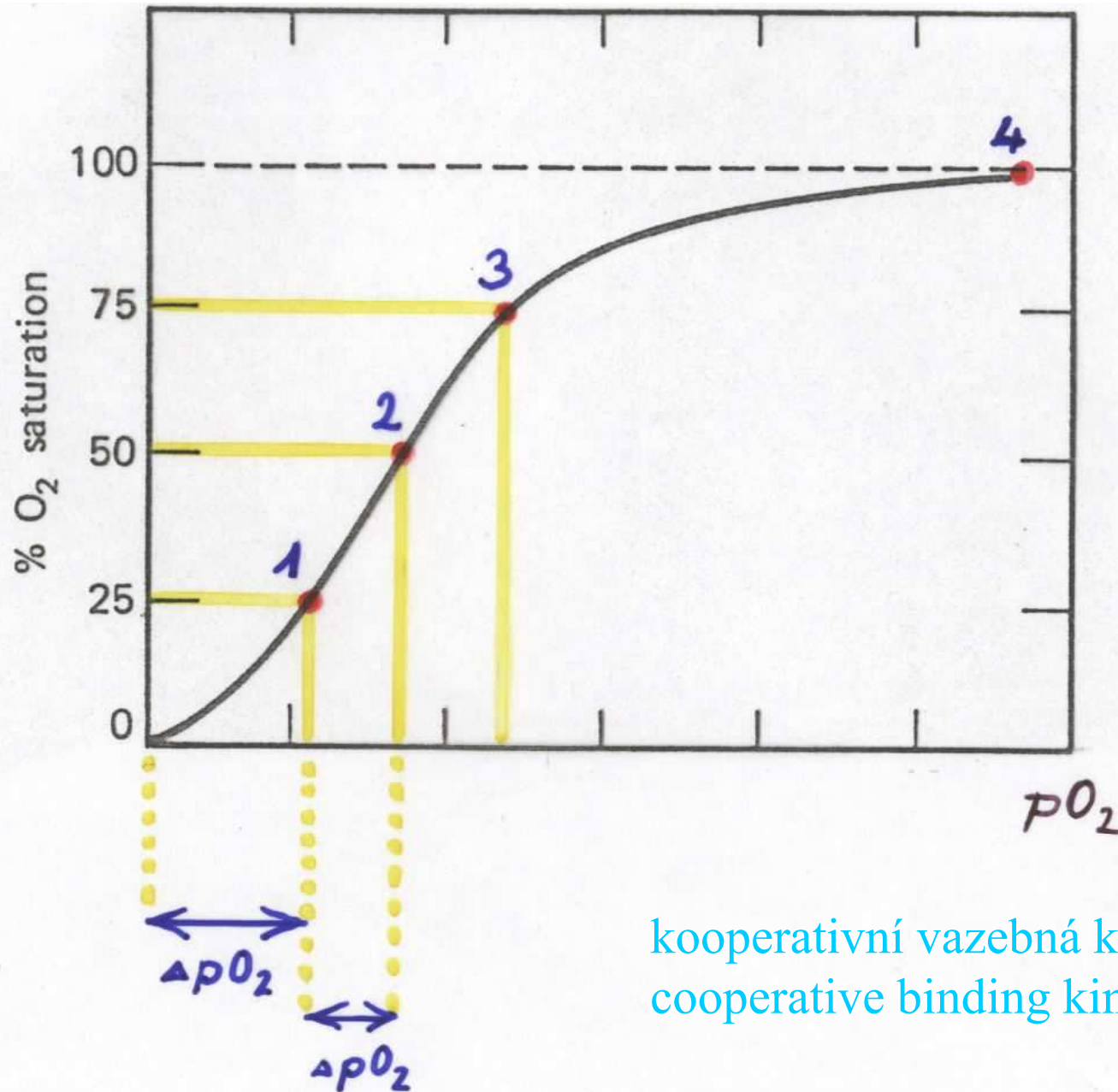
# T-forma Hb (BPG) a R-forma Hb (O<sub>2</sub>):

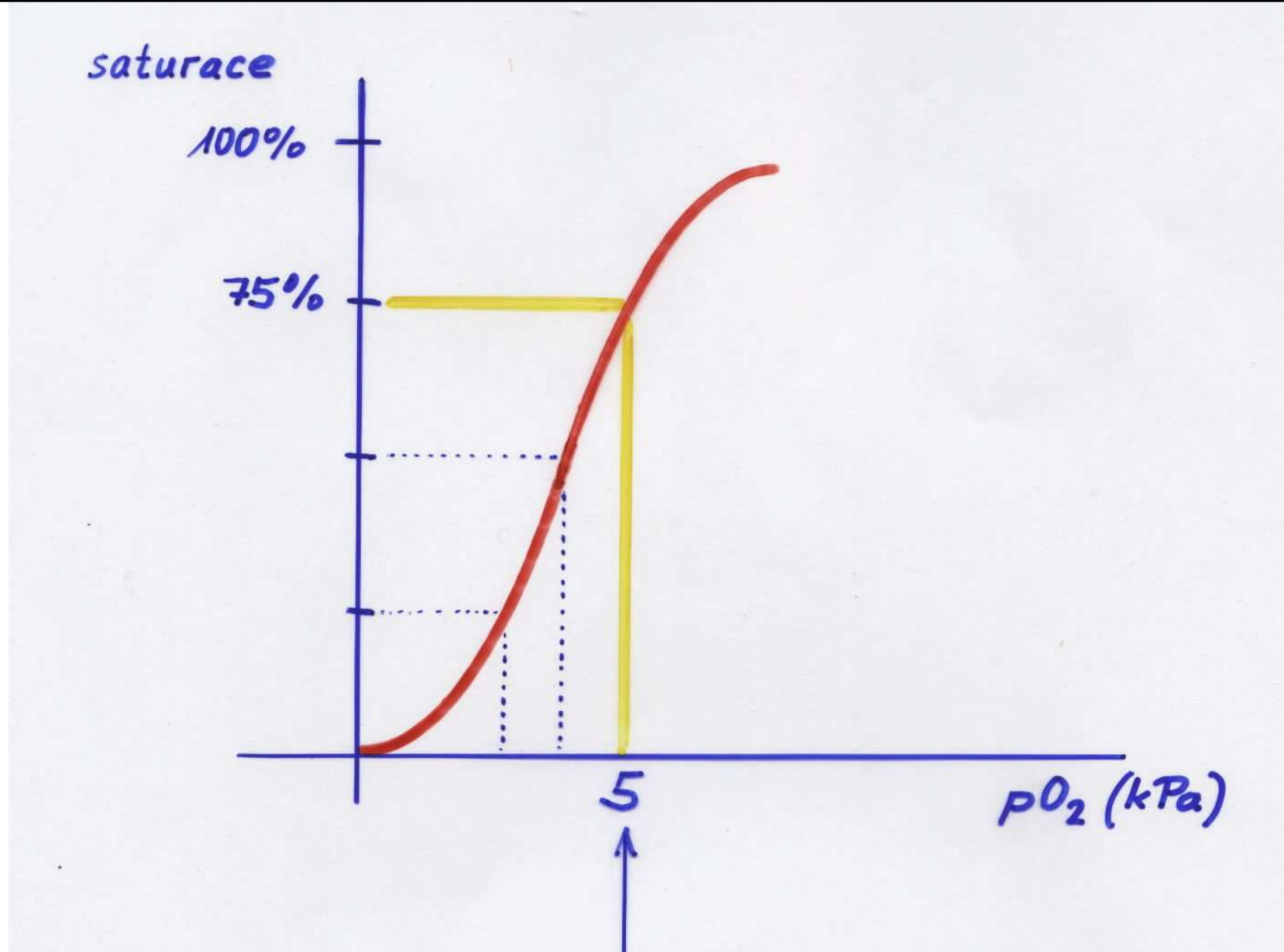


tense [tens] napjatý  
release [ri'li:s] uvolnění

# Vazba kyslíku na hemoglobin / saturační křivka (esovitá !)

## Oxygen binding to hemoglobin / saturation curve (sigmoidal !)





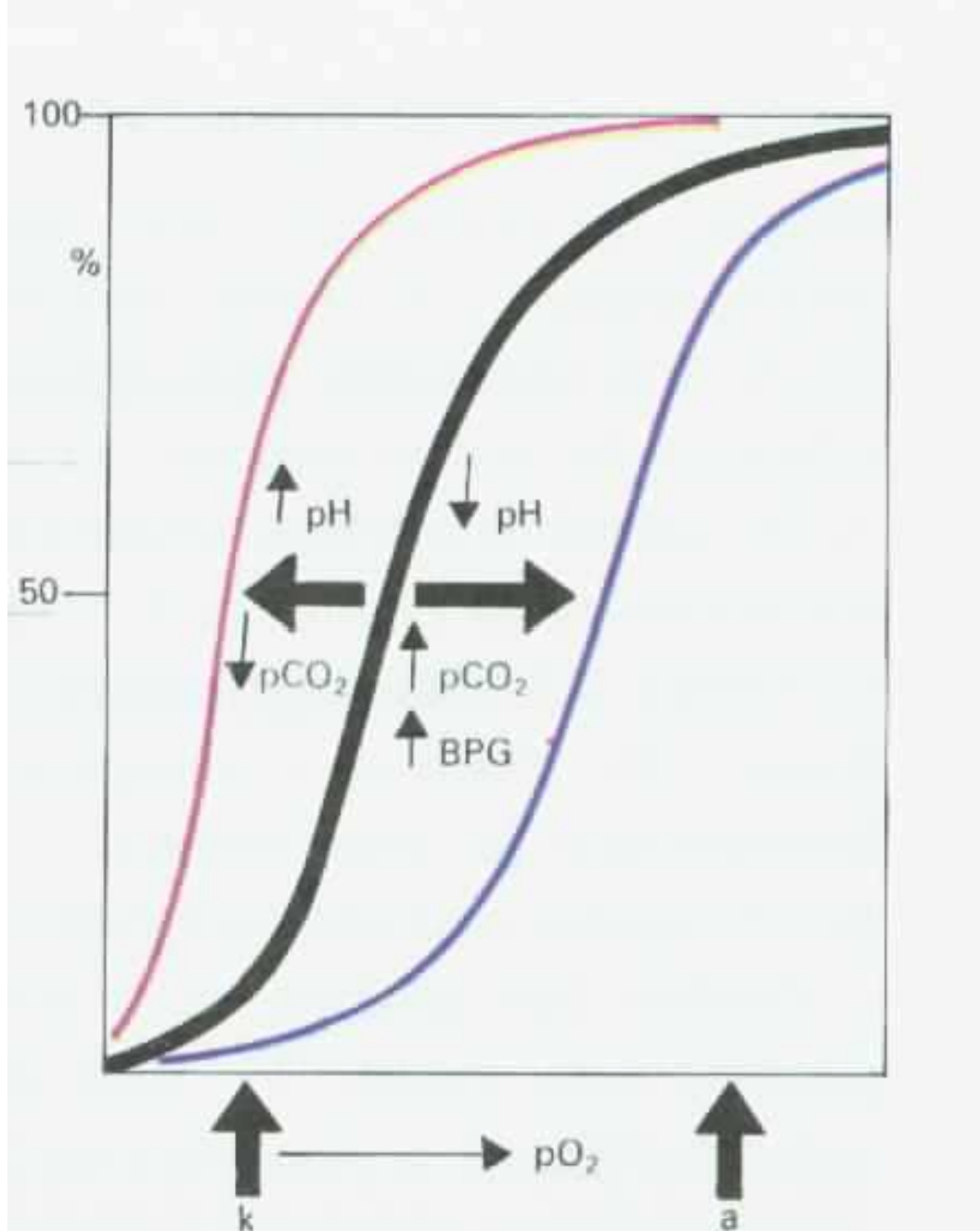
smíšená venózní krev  
mixed venous blood

jen 1  $O_2$  z tetrameru ! / 1  $O_2$  from tetramer only !

# Conditions affecting the shift of dissociation curve :

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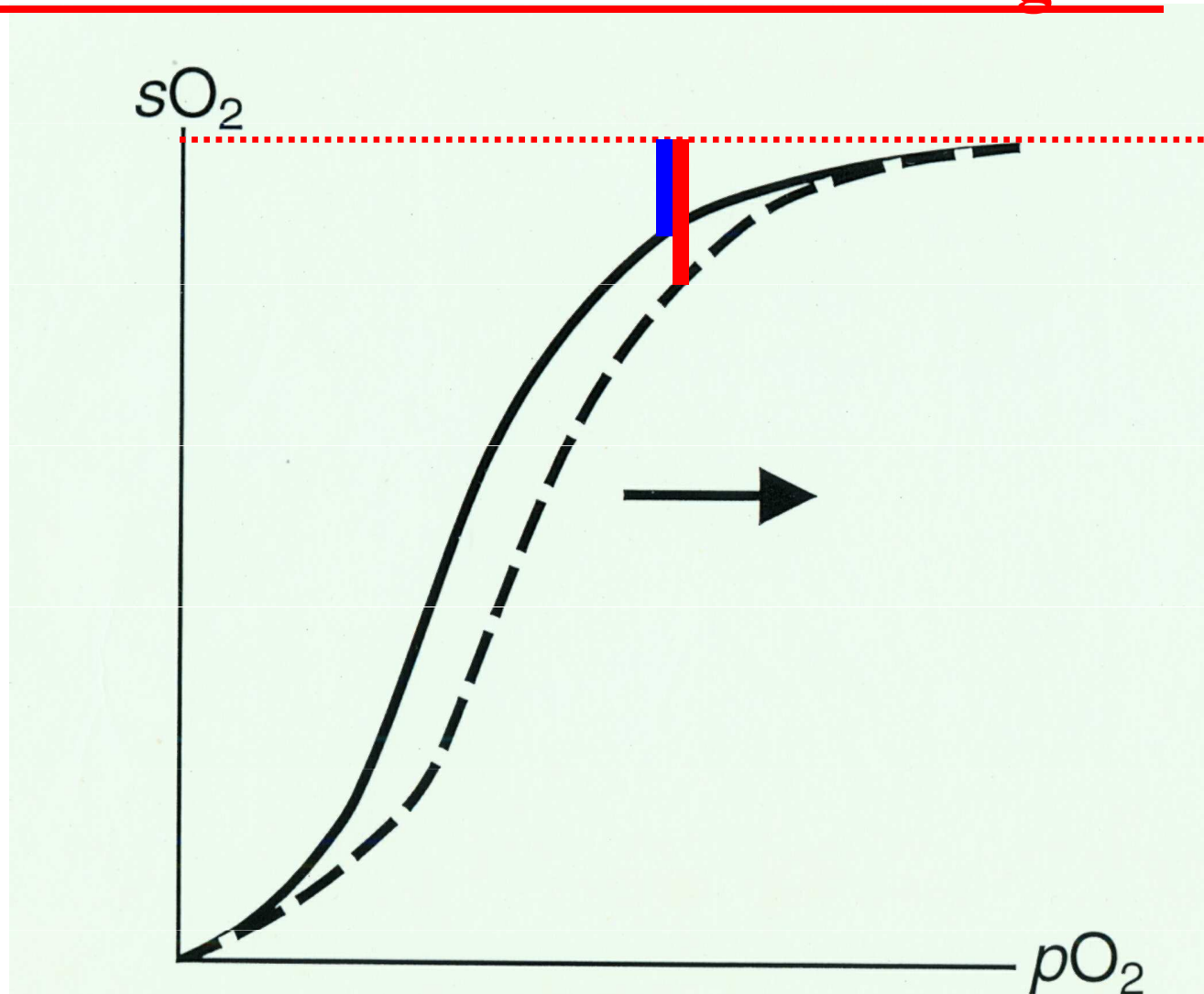
CO Hb  
Met Hb  
HbF  
↓ temperature  
↓ BPG



→

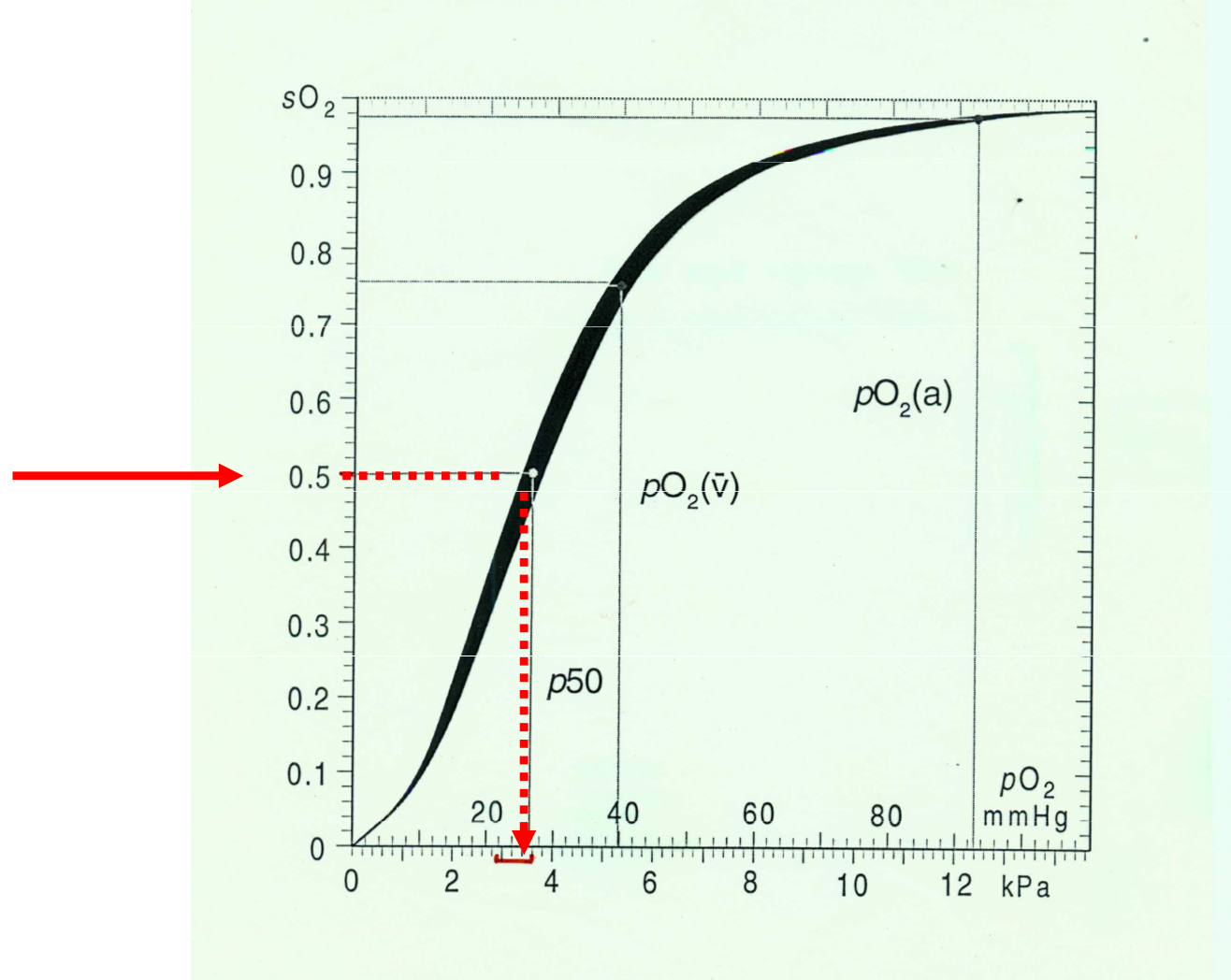
Sulf Hb  
↑ temperature

**Increased quantity of released oxygen**  
**by shift of the saturation curve to the right :**



**In the original position the curve allows to release the quantum of oxygen complying with the blue line segment at the given  $pO_2$  .  
By the shift of the curve to the right is the quantum of accessible oxygen increased to the value given the red line segment.**

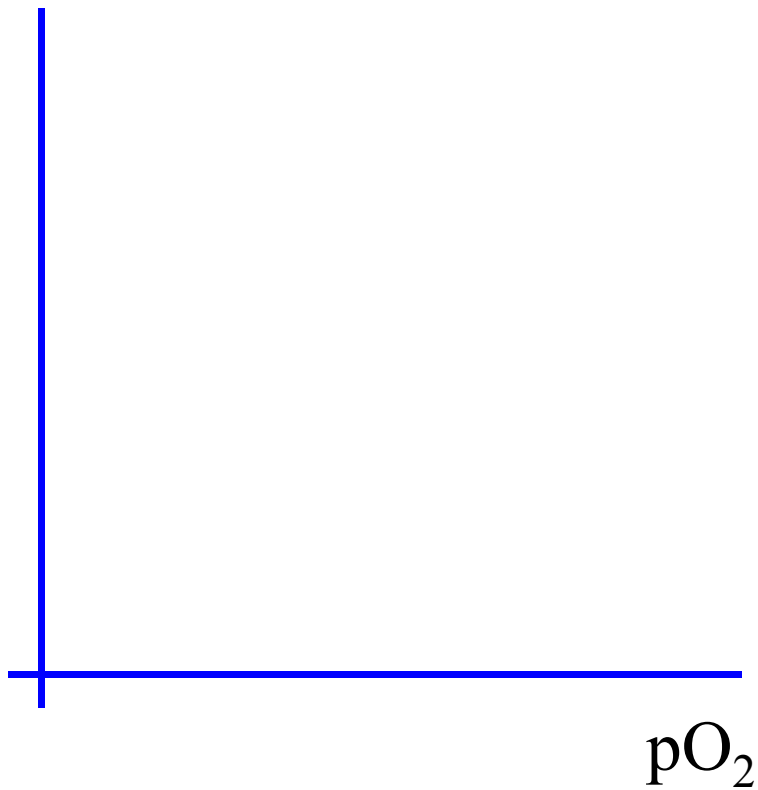
# The expression of position of saturation curve :



The position/shift of saturation curve is expressed partial pressure of oxygen by 50 % saturation of Hb („the value  $p50$ “), it is the position of inflex point of the curve.

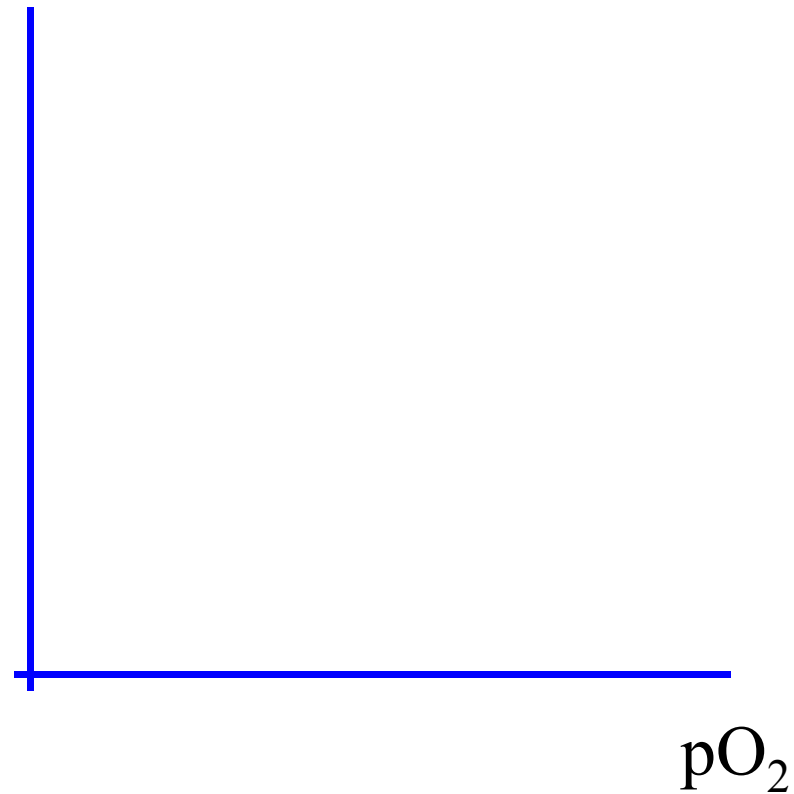
[ The normal value of  $p50$  is  $\sim 3,25$  kPa (2,9 - 3,6 kPa) ]

$sO_2$



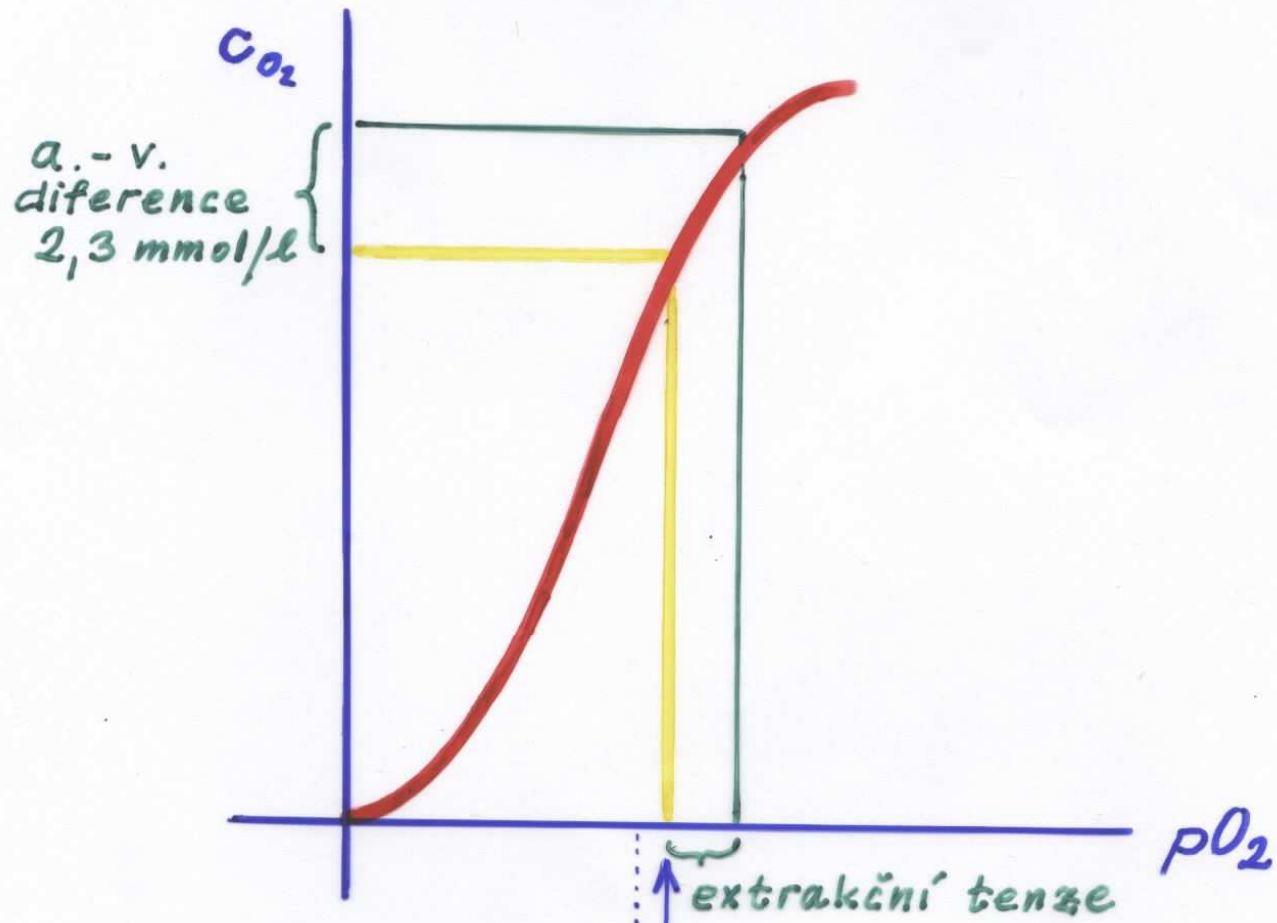
saturační křivka  
saturation curve

$cO_2$  (mmol / l)



absorpční křivka  
absorption curve





5 kPa

< 4,5 kPa znesnadněné uvolňování O<sub>2</sub>  
impeded release of oxygen

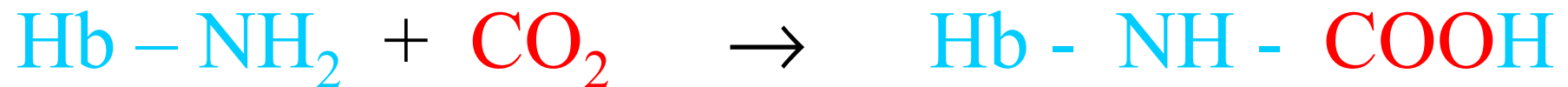
hrozí tkáňová hypoxie !

## Transport of CO<sub>2</sub> in blood :

1/ 85 % HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>

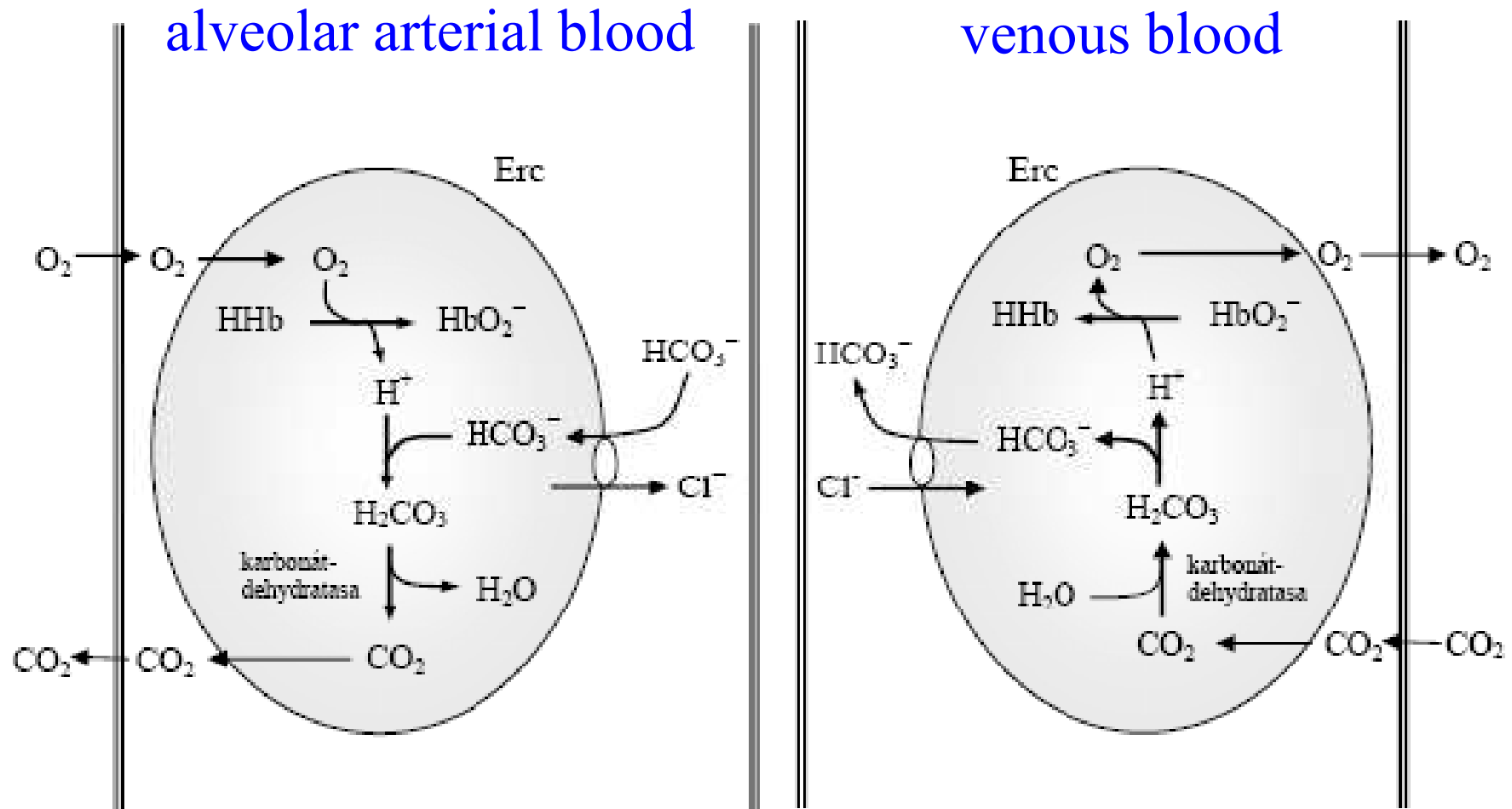
2/ 10 % carbamate (carbamino  
compounds)

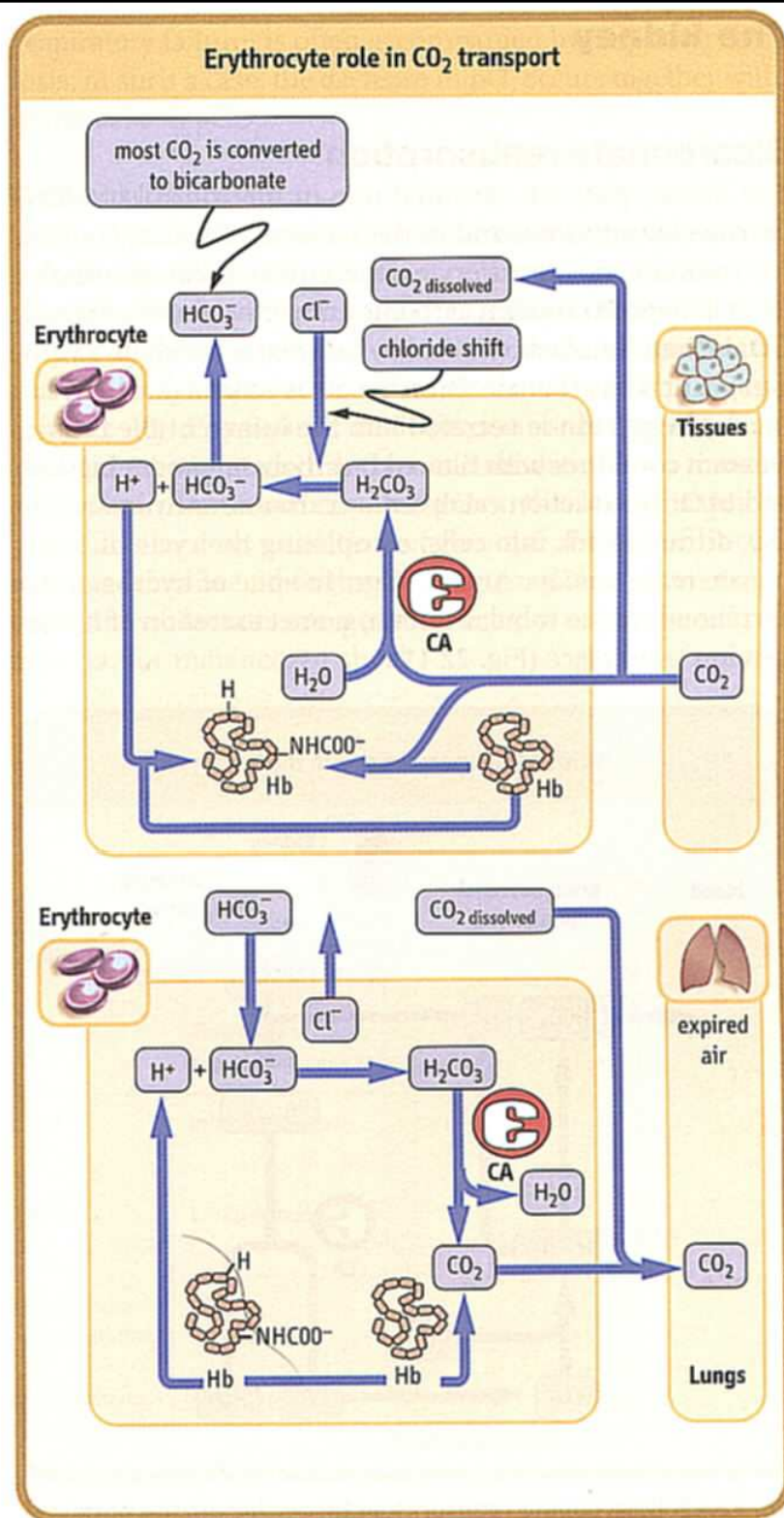
3/ 5 % physically dissolved  
(chemically not affected CO<sub>2</sub>)



carbamic acid = aminoformic acid H<sub>2</sub>N - COOH

# Transfer of O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>:





karbonátdehidratasa  
(karboanhidratasa)

( carbonic anhydrase,  
carbonate **hydro-lyase**  
**EC 4.2.1.1** )

## pO<sub>2</sub> of arterial blood (aB-pO<sub>2</sub>) :

age	average	range
20 - 29	12,66 kPa	10,66 – 14,66
30 - 39	12 kPa	10,4 – 14,4
40 - 49	11,46 kPa	10 – 13,86
50 - 59	10,93 kPa	9,46 – 13,33
60 - 69	10,4 kPa	8,66 – 12,66

## pO<sub>2</sub> of arterial blood (aB-pO<sub>2</sub>):

aB-pO<sub>2</sub> is decreased with increasing age

cB-pO<sub>2</sub> values are approximately by 10-20 % lower

aB-pO<sub>2</sub> values *in lying* patients are lower about 1,33 kPa in comparison with described

symbolic: a = arterial [a:'tiəriəl]  
B = blood [blad]  
c = capillary [kə'piləri]  
p = partial pressure [pa:ʃl preʃə]  
v = venous [vi:nəs]

# Representation of constituent forms of Hb :

So called oxymeters measure at wavelength which are absorption maxima: ( - see next )

**H Hb** = reduced hemoglobin

**O<sub>2</sub> Hb** = oxyhemoglobin

**CO Hb** = carboxylhemoglobin

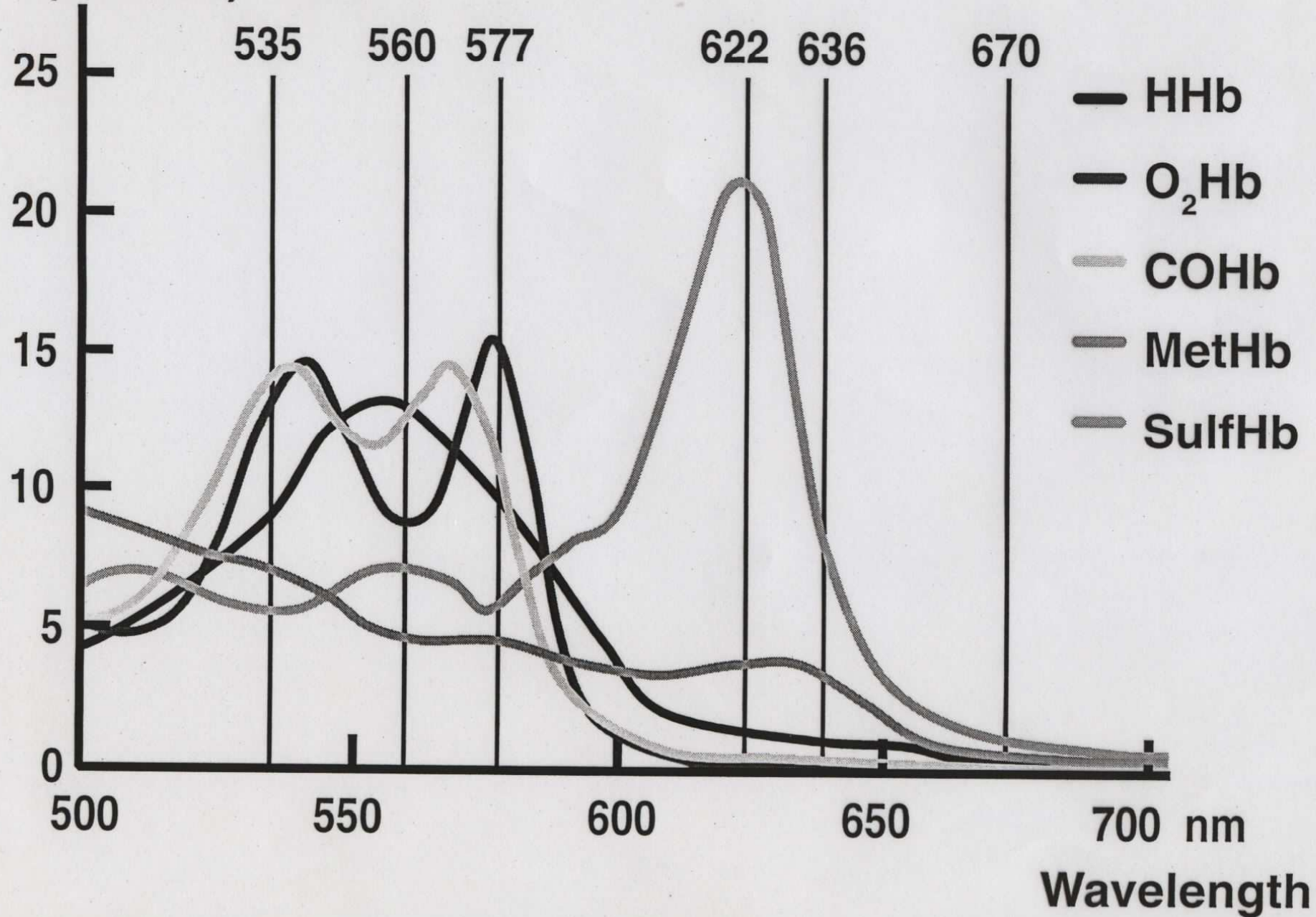
**Met Hb** = methemoglobin

**Sulf Hb** = sulfhemoglobin

From the concentration of the **whole Hb** are subtracted all forms of Hb, which are not able to transfer oxygen ( CO Hb + Met Hb + Sulf Hb ).

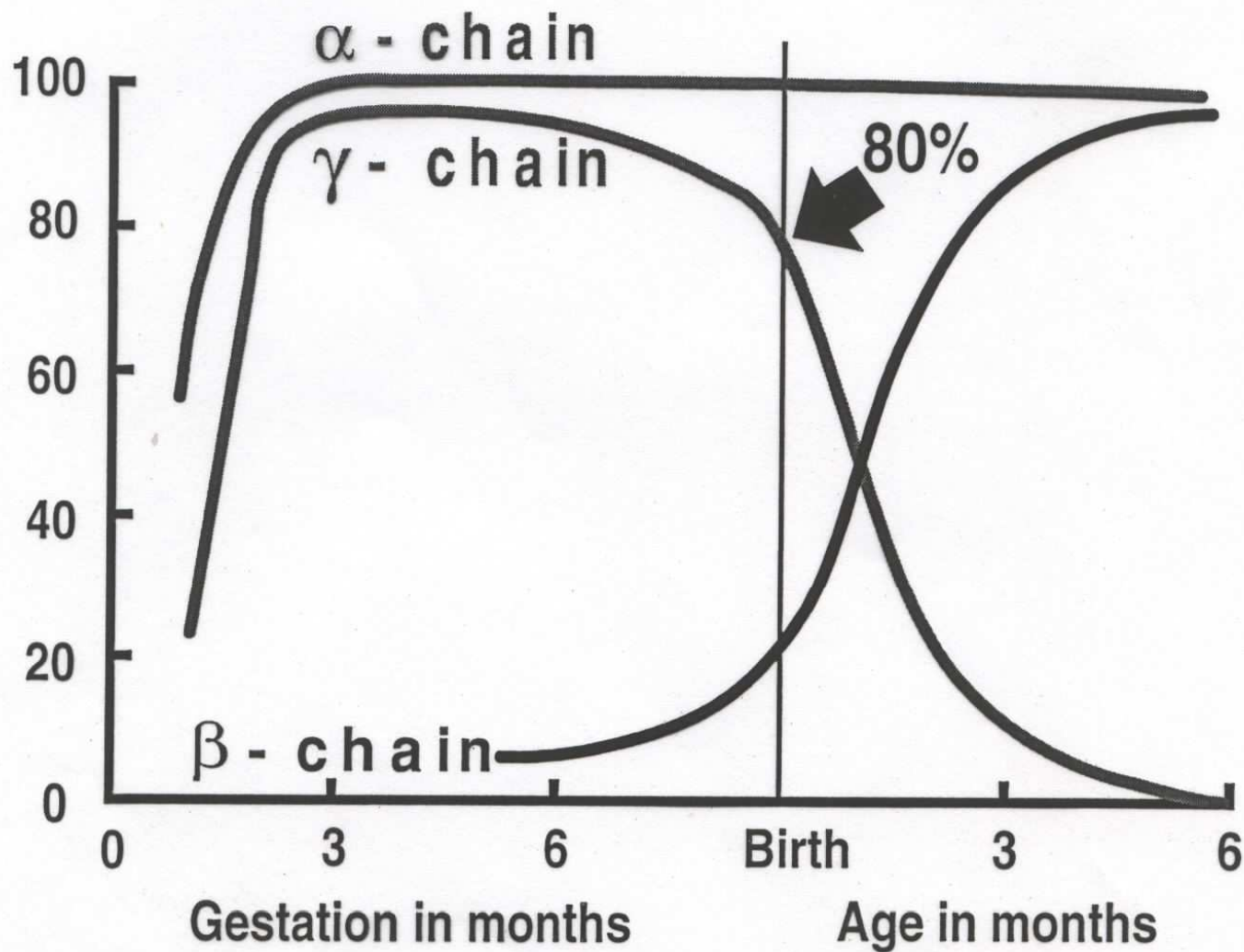
The sum ( O<sub>2</sub>Hb + H Hb ) is then Hb utilizable for transfer of oxygen = „active (effective) Hb“

**Molar Absorptivity  
(Extinction Coefficient)  
(mmol/L)<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>**





Hb dospělých / adult Hb = HbA =  $\alpha_2 \beta_2$   
Hb fetální / fetal Hb = HbF =  $\alpha_2 \gamma_2$



## Air composition (1) :

	volume %
O <sub>2</sub>	20,9
CO <sub>2</sub>	0,03
N <sub>2</sub>	78,1
inert gases	0,9

## Air composition (2) :

	inspired	expired
$p_{O_2}$	21 kPa	15,33 kPa
$p_{CO_2}$	0,03 kPa	4,4 kPa
$p(N_2 + \text{inert gases})$	79,4 kPa	75,33 kPa
$p_{H_2O}$	0,76 kPa	6,27 kPa

The sum of partial pressures is 101,3 kPa in both cases. Expired air is fully saturated with water vapour (data  $p_{H_2O}$  for alveoli and 37°C).

