

Aim of the practicals

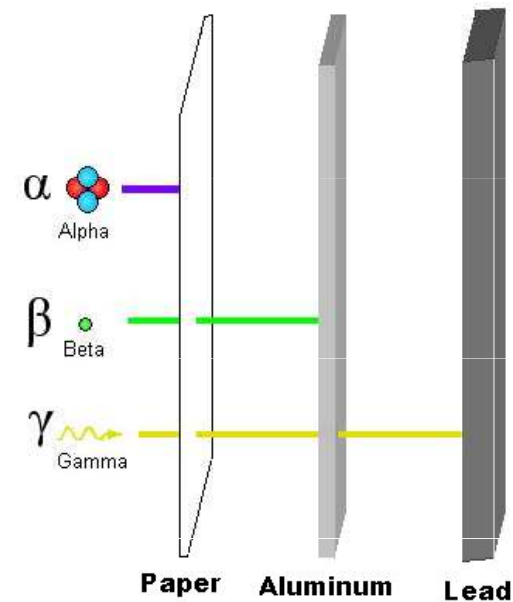
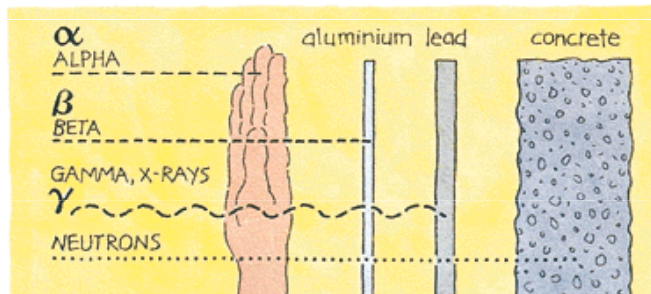
- Basic of radiobiology
- Model of acute radiation syndrome - blood form
- Evaluation of the data obtained during practice on a model of acute radiation syndrome

Ionizing radiation

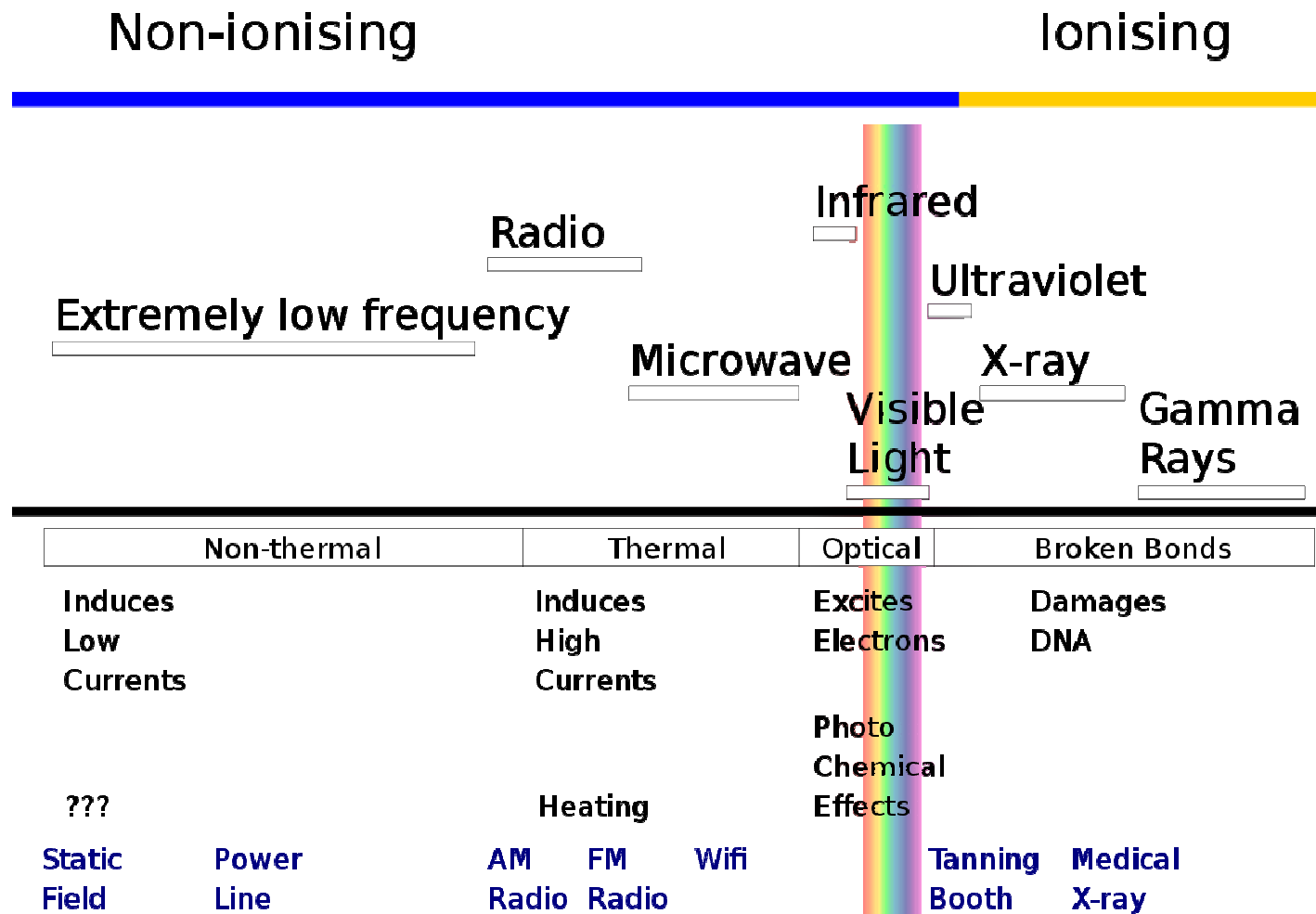
- The radiation emitted by radioactive nuclides
- Electromagnetic or corpuscular radiation, which causes the penetration of mass ionization (must have sufficiently high energy).
- Energy is in the range of keV-MeV

Types of ionizing radiation

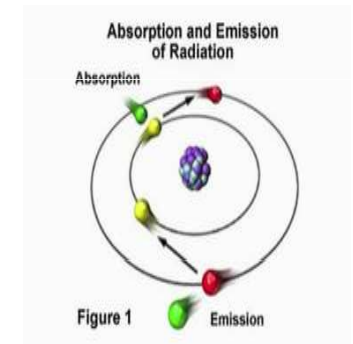
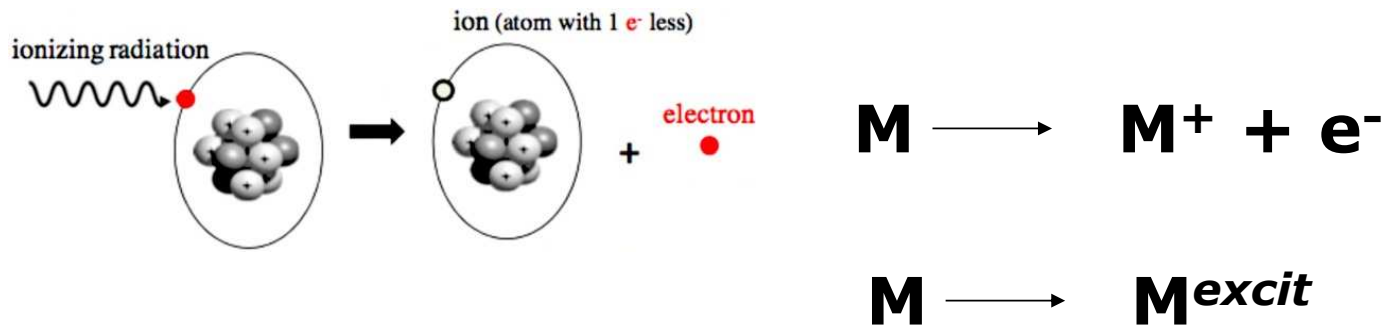
Corpuscular α , β ,
neutrons
electromagnetic γ



The energy spectrum of radiation



Ionization vs. excitation



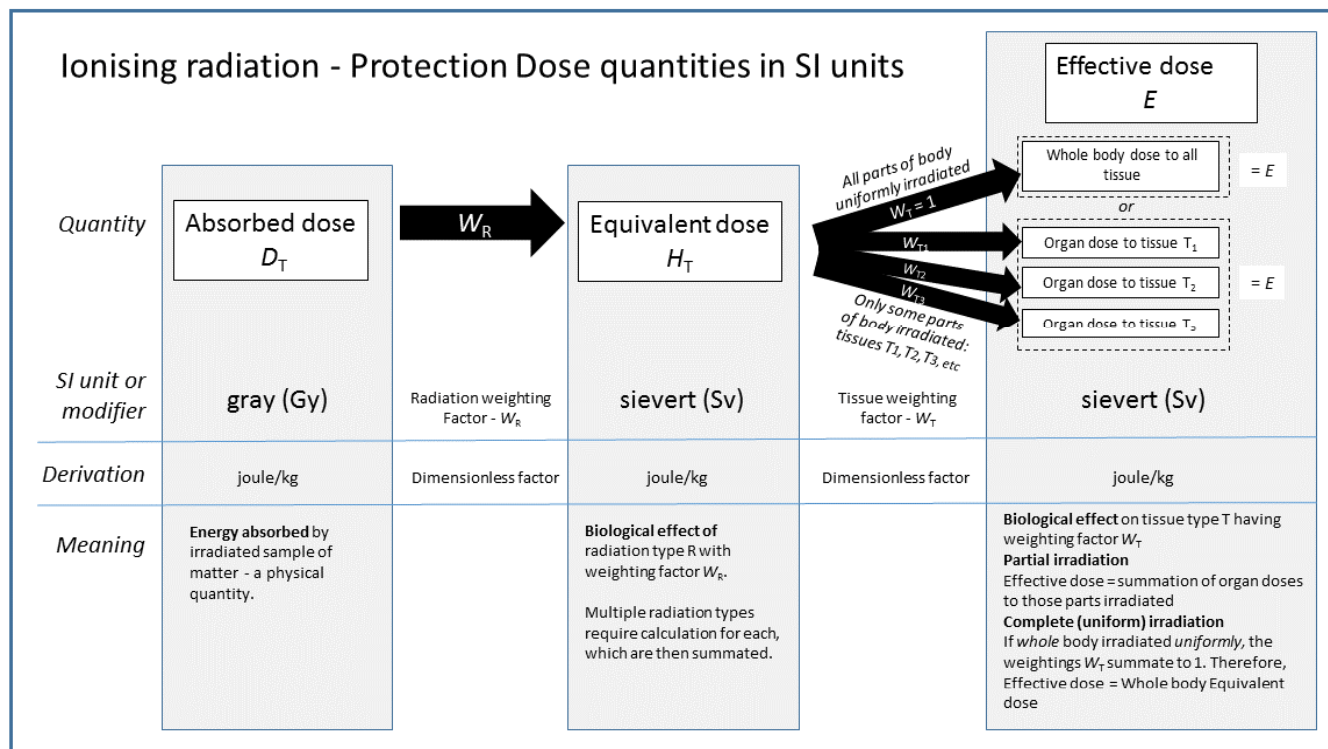
- Ionization = process of creating charged atoms
- Excitation = atoms absorb energy without ionization. Orbital electrons are raised to next level.
- Both types of interactions are very fast
- Formed in a ratio of 1:2

Units

- MeV, a unit of energy
- Roentgen, a unit of exposure [C / kg dry air]
- Becquerel, activity [s⁻¹] \approx Curie
- Gray, dose [J / kg] \approx rad
- Sievert, dose equivalent [J / kg] \approx rem

Units

- Dose equivalent
- = dose * constant WR
- $\gamma, \beta, X = 1$
- neutrons = 10
- $\alpha = 20$



Radiation	Energy	W_R (formerly Q)
x-rays, gamma rays, beta particles, muons		1
neutrons	< 1 MeV	$2.5 + 18.2 \cdot e^{-[\ln(E)]^2/6}$
	1 MeV - 50 MeV	$5.0 + 17.0 \cdot e^{-[\ln(2 \cdot E)]^2/6}$
	> 50 MeV	$2.5 + 3.25 \cdot e^{-[\ln(0.04 \cdot E)]^2/6}$
protons, charged pions		2
alpha particles, Nuclear fission products, heavy nuclei		20

Sources of ionizing radiation?

Natural space

exposure increases with altitude

solar terrestrial sources

natural radioactive decay of radioisotopes (soil and rock)

Radon

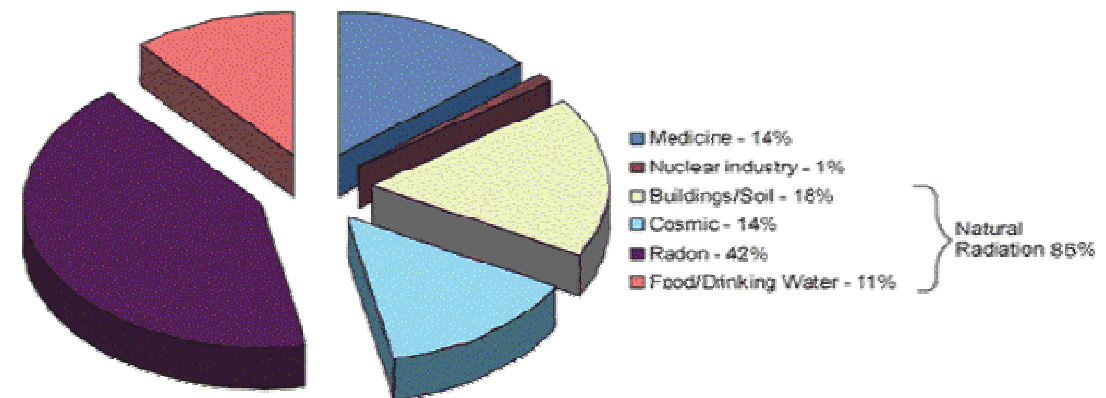
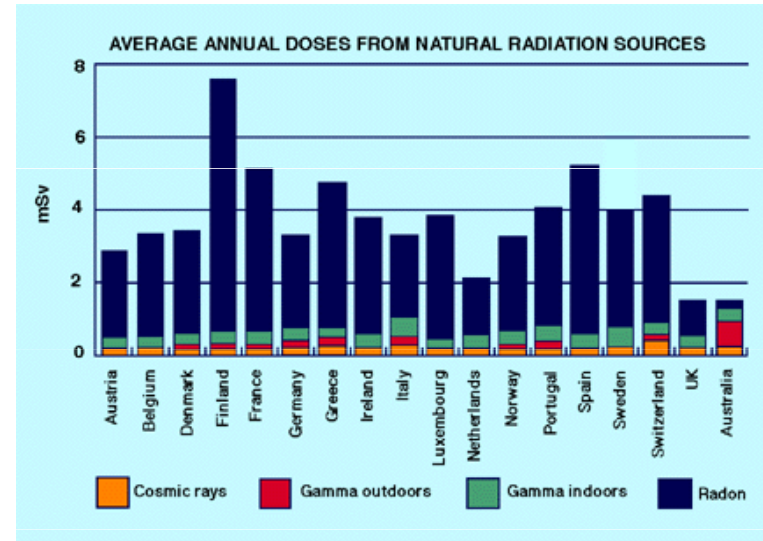
gas, there is a decay of radium-226 (Uranium)

Artificial medicine

diagnosis, therapy, sterilization

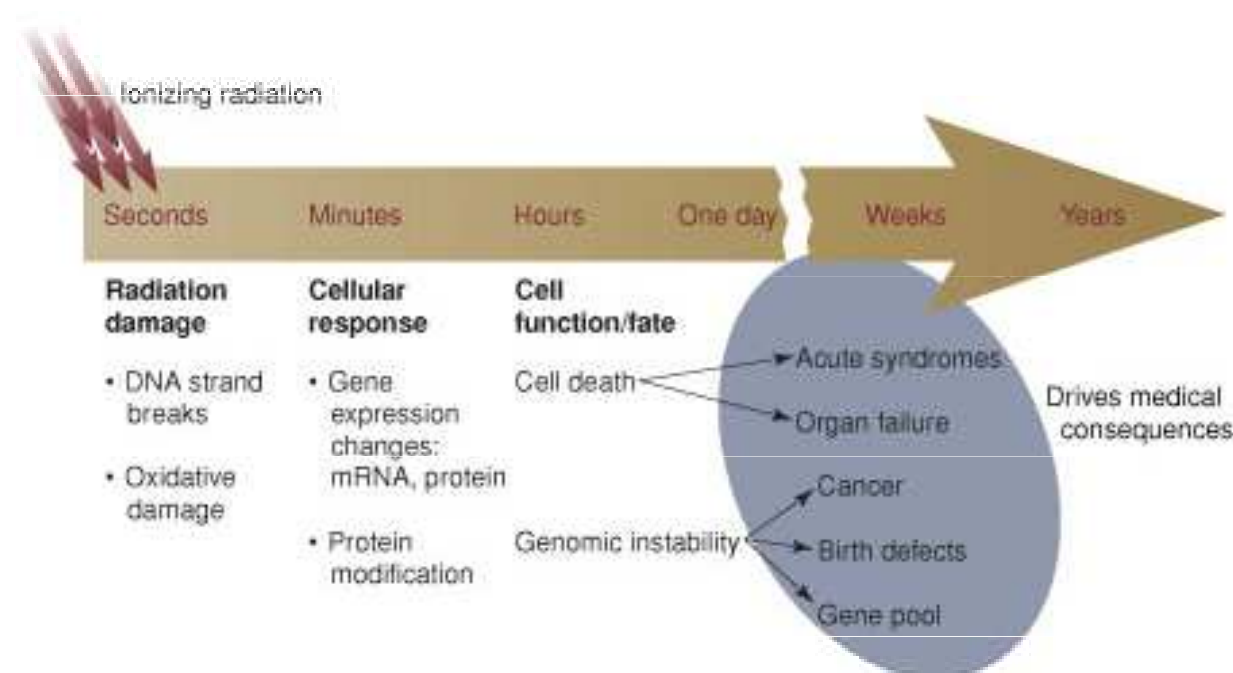
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nuclear energy

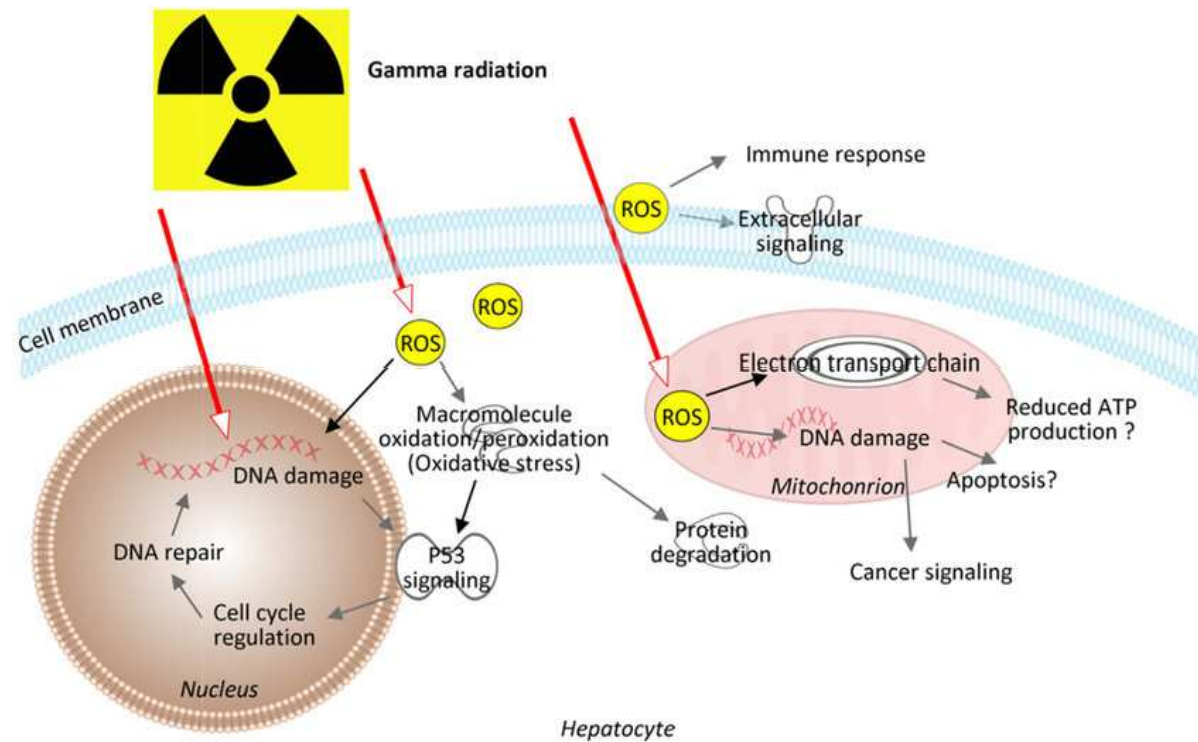
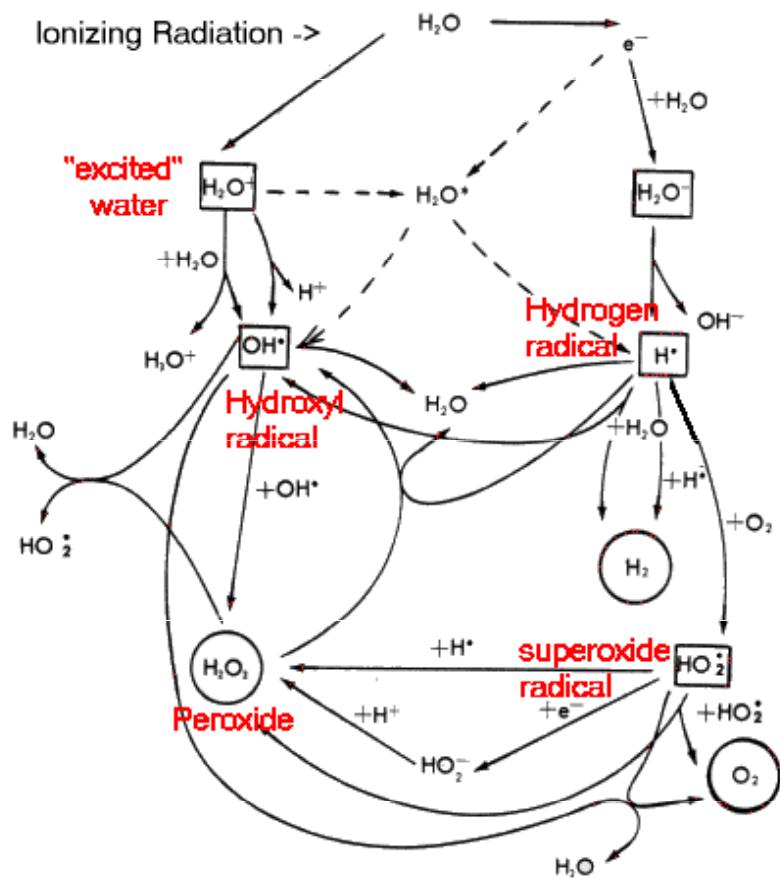


Biological effects of ionizing radiation

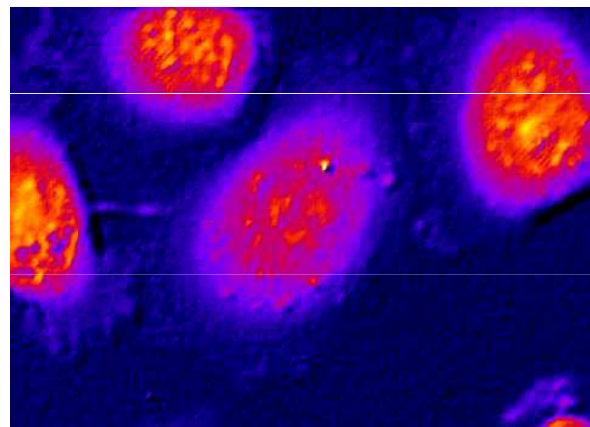
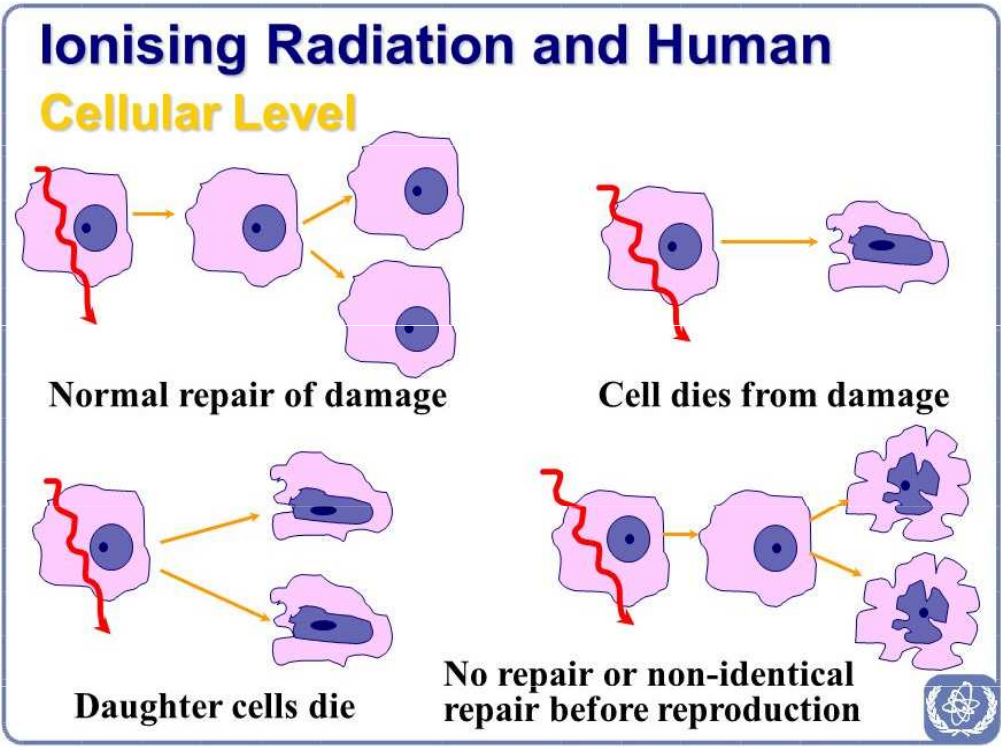
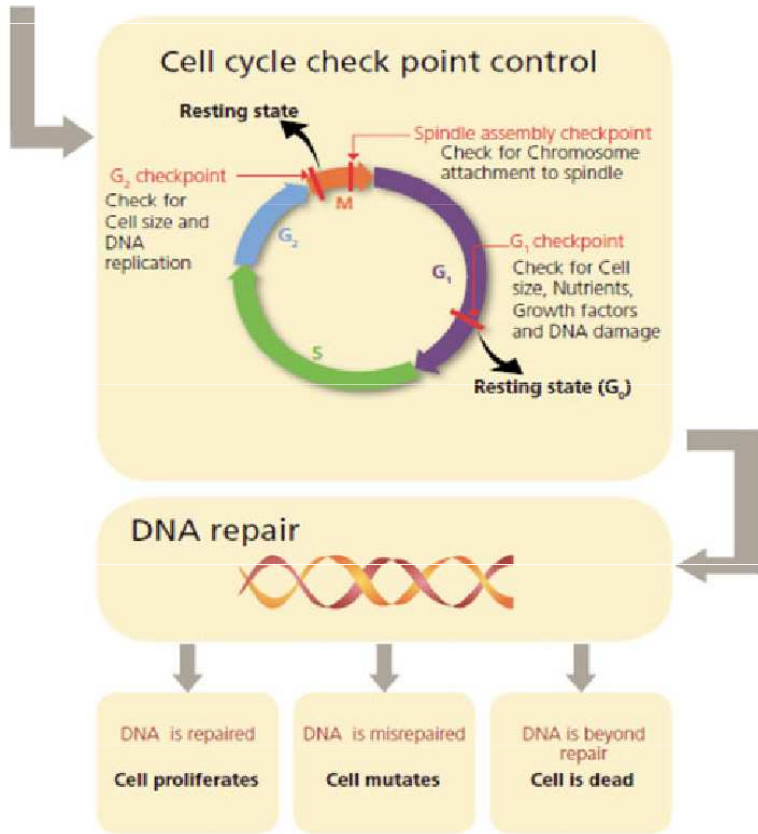
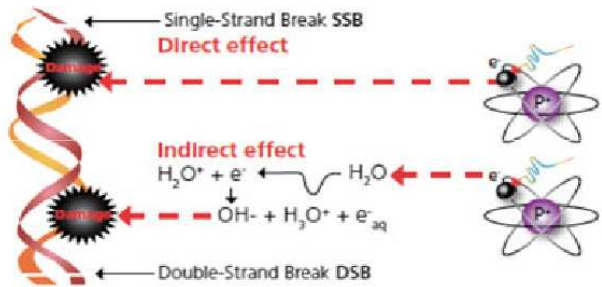
- Direct ionizing = direct destruction of biomacromolecules
- Indirectly (nondirect) effects = production of free radicals (radiolysis of water)



Chemical effect of ionizing radiation

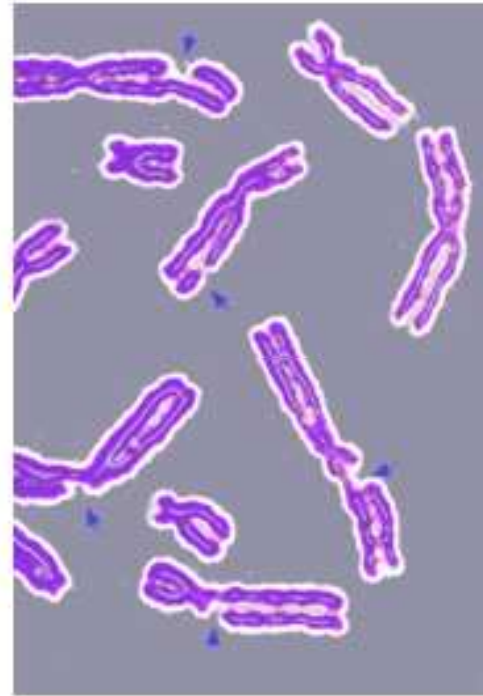


Oxygen effect!!



DNA damage

Very serious state
DNA damage is reflected in
the synthesis of damaged
proteins
DNA repair mechanisms
Reproductive ability of cells

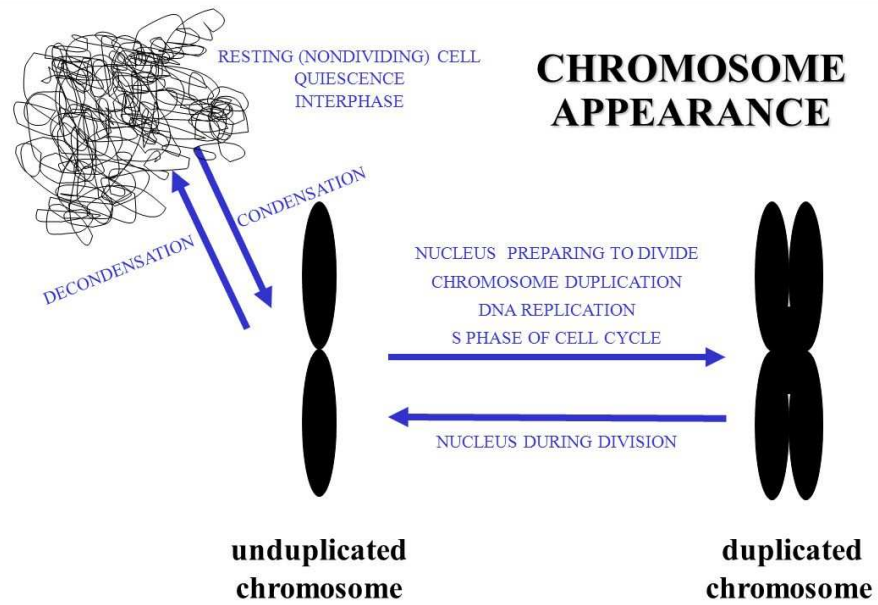
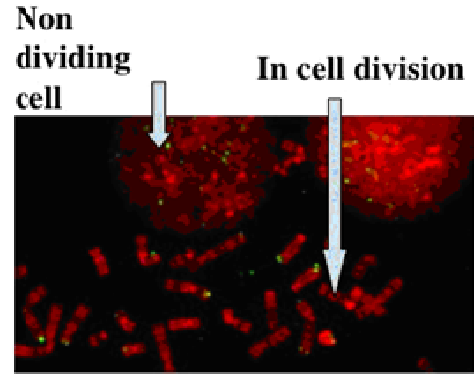
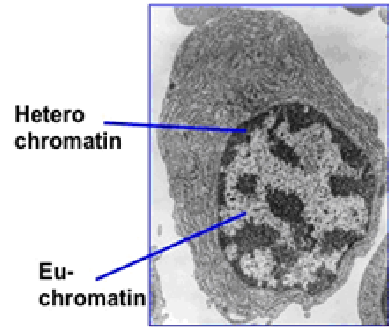


Eukaryotic Chromosomes

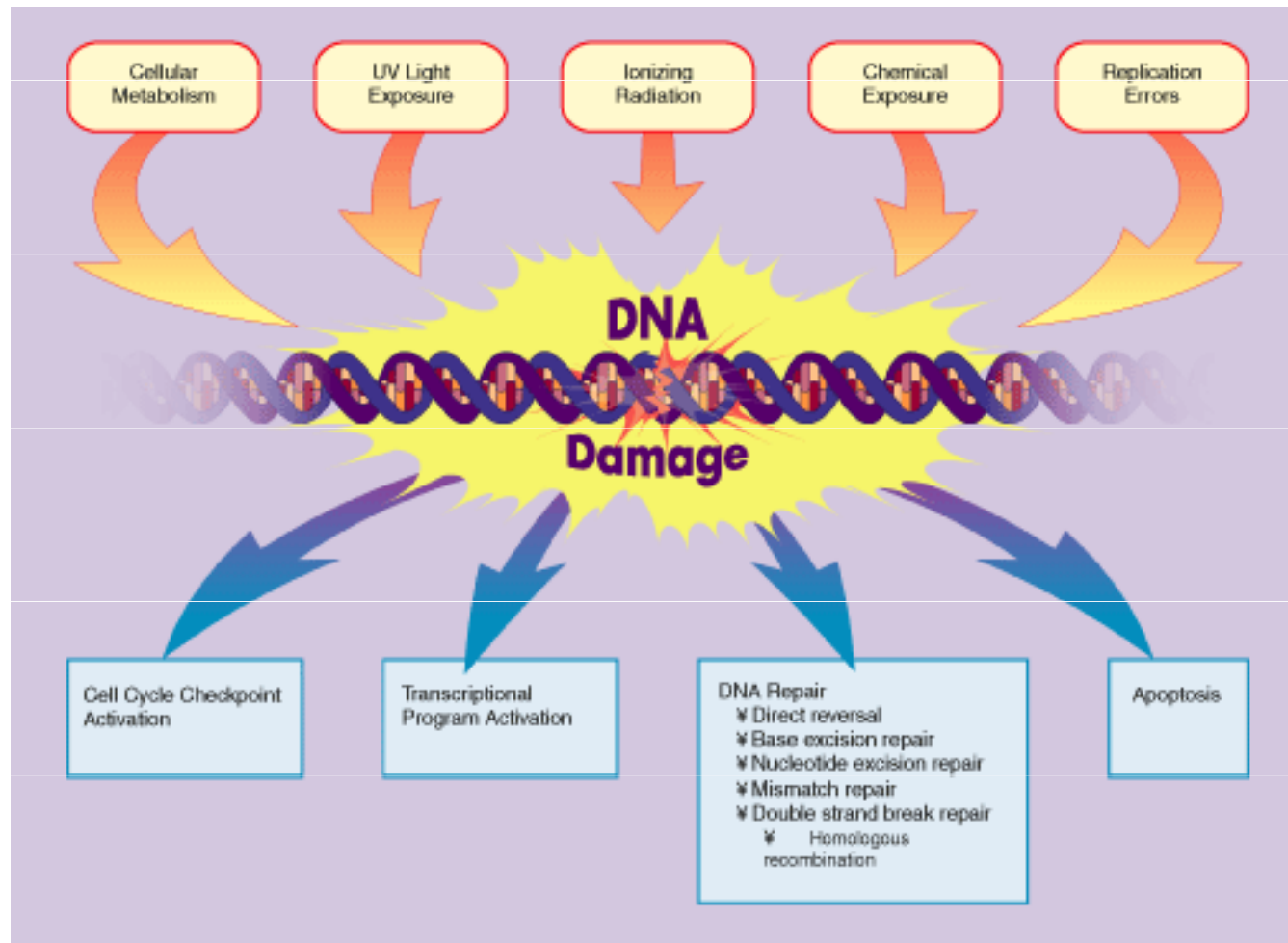
Eukaryotic chromosomes:

- linear chromosomes;
- every species has a different number of chromosomes;
- composed of **chromatin** – a complex of DNA and proteins
 - heterochromatin** – not expressed
 - euchromatin** – expressed regions

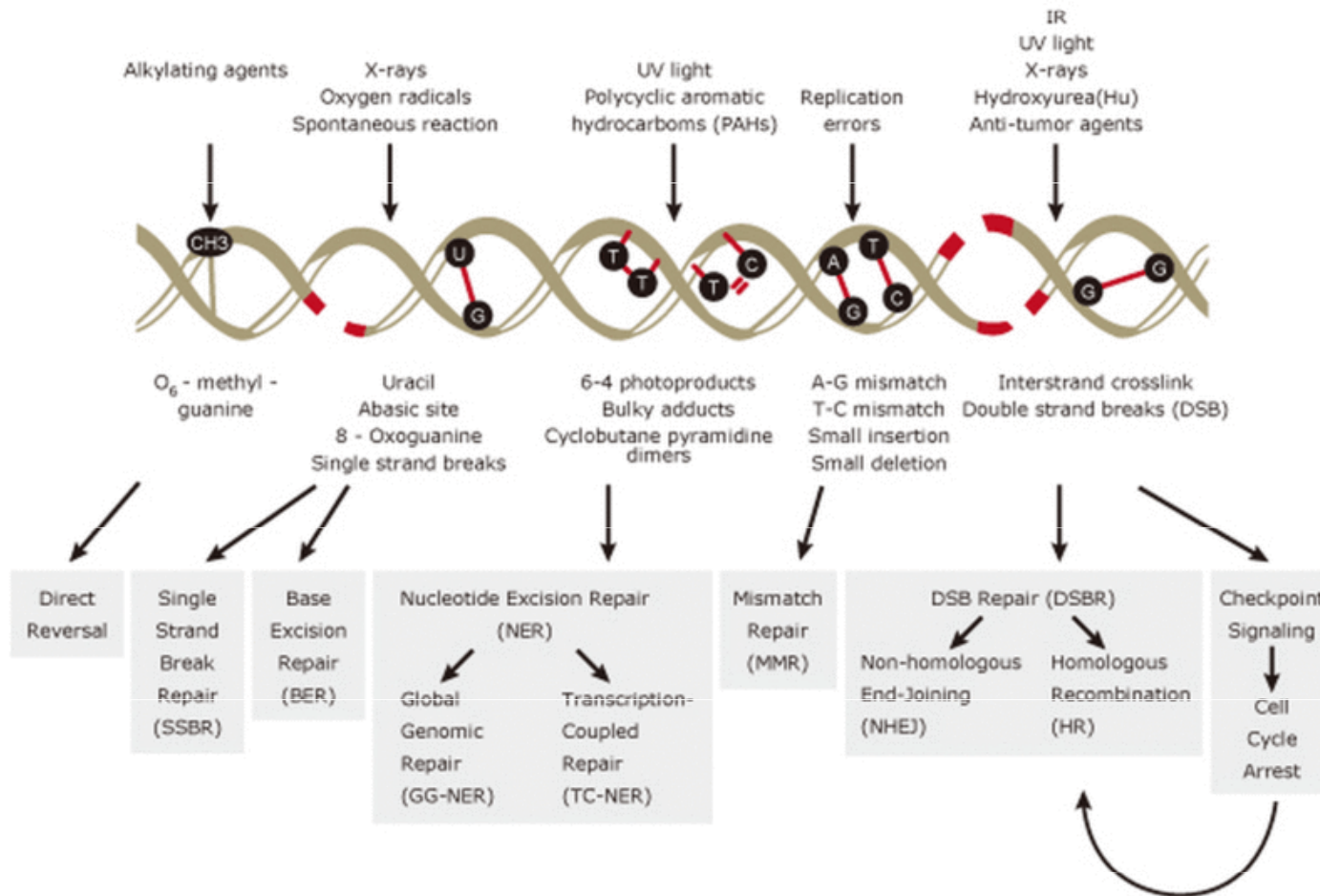
Cell and Chromatin

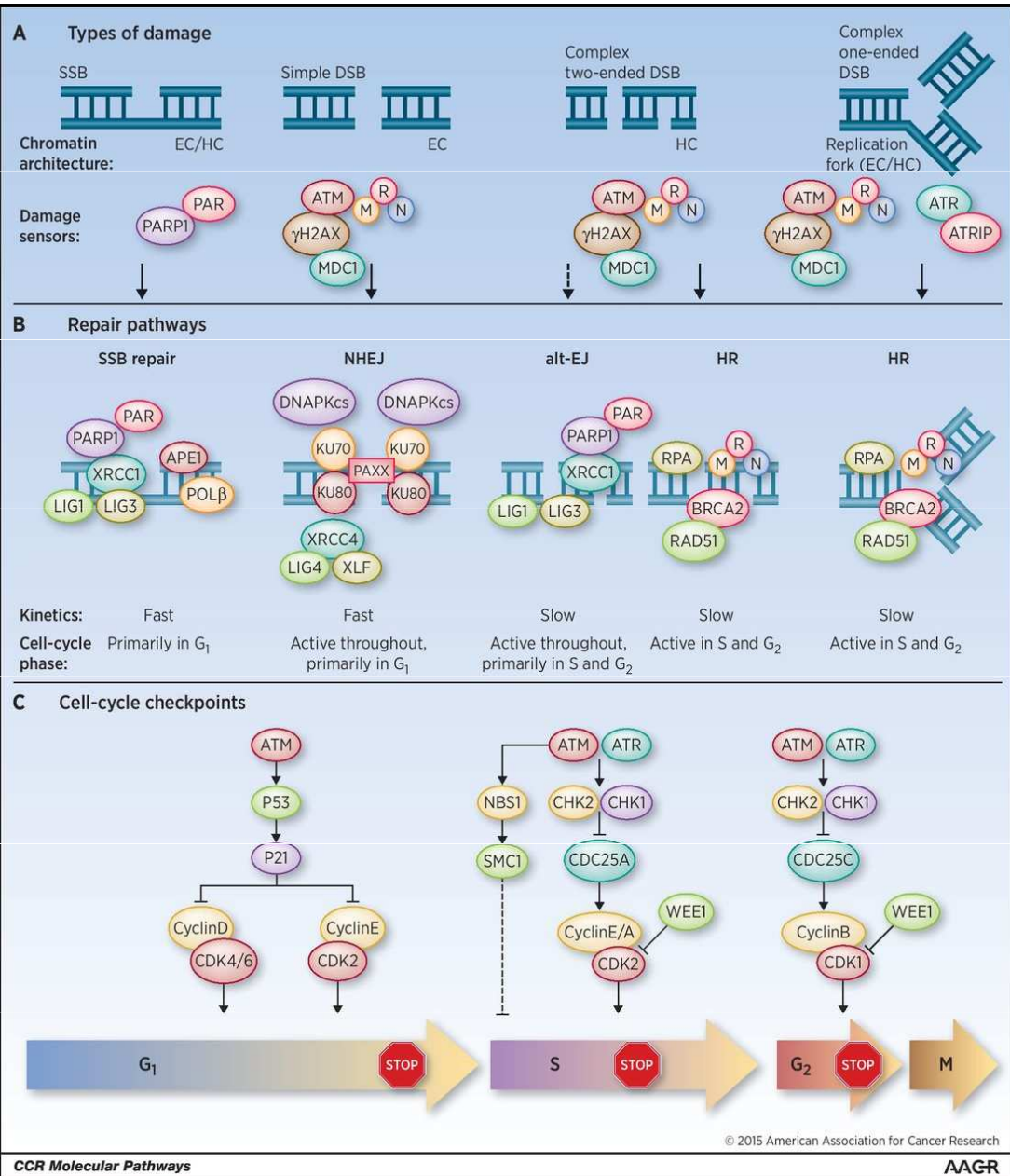


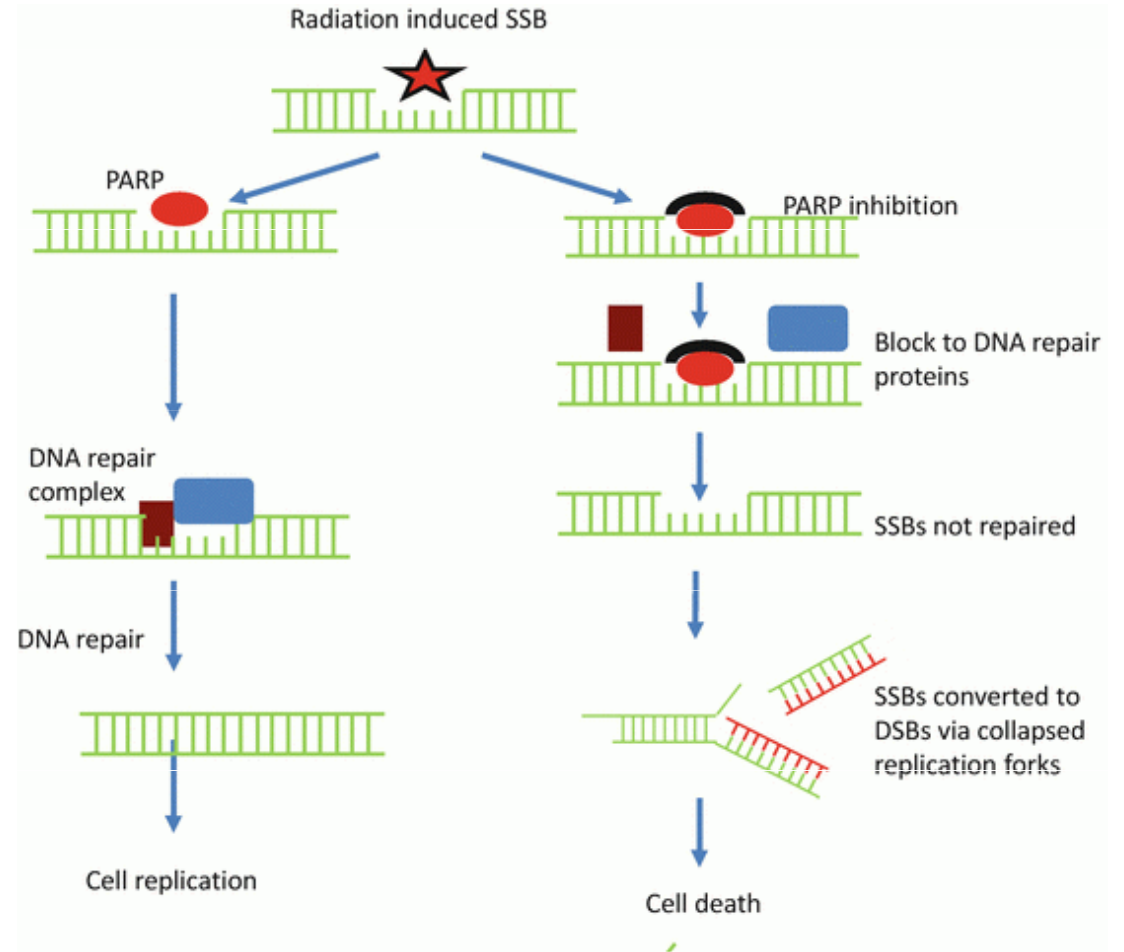
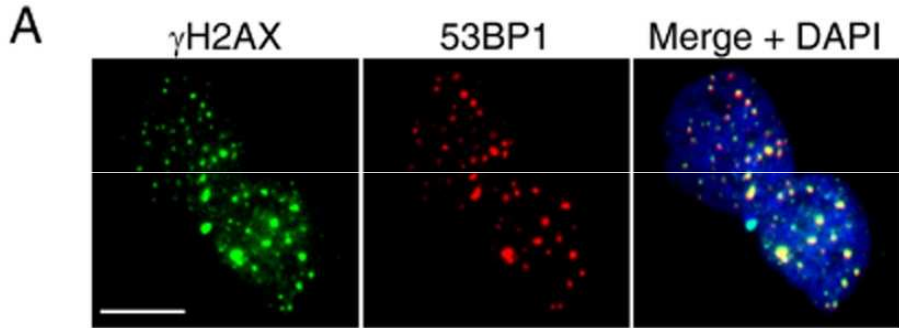
Mechanisms of DNA damage

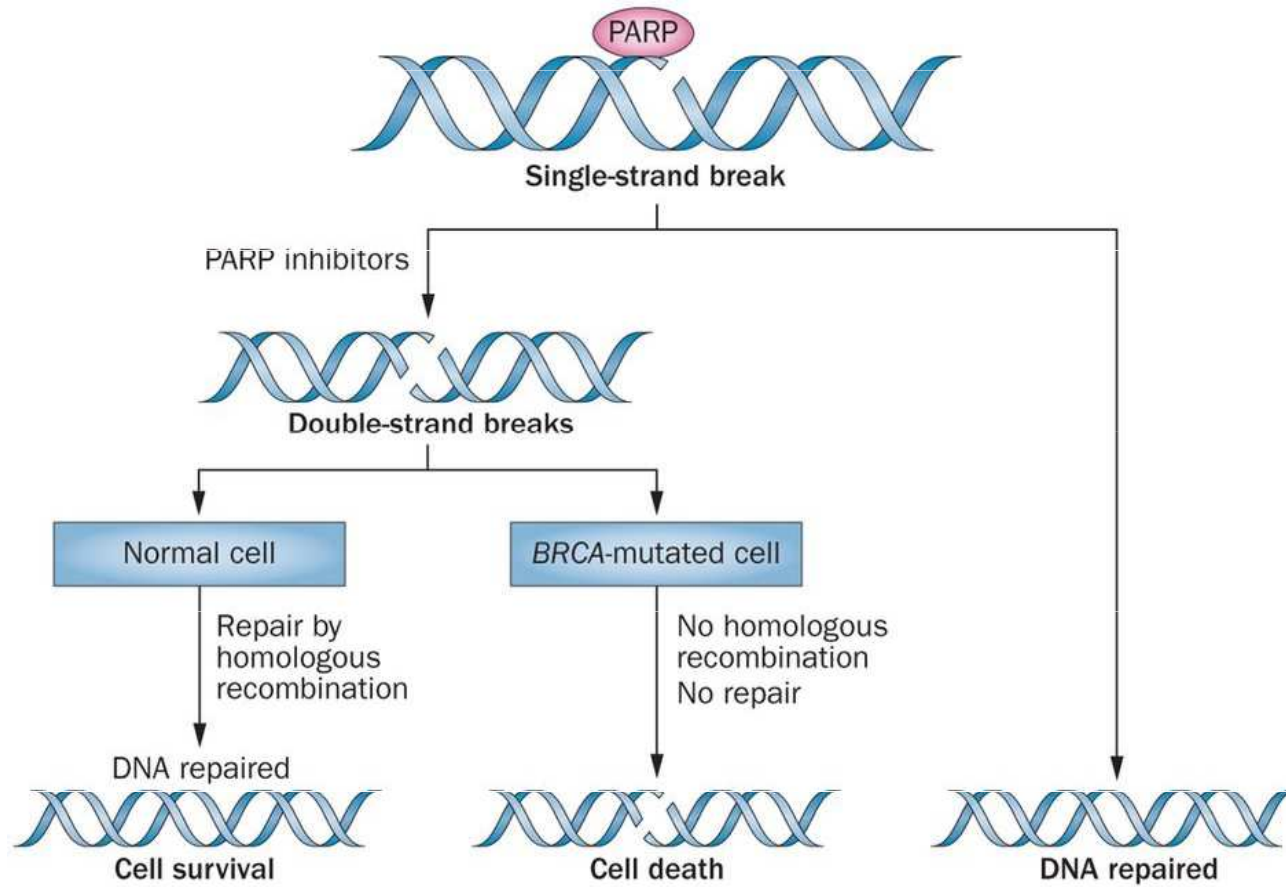


damage response enables life on earth as we know it



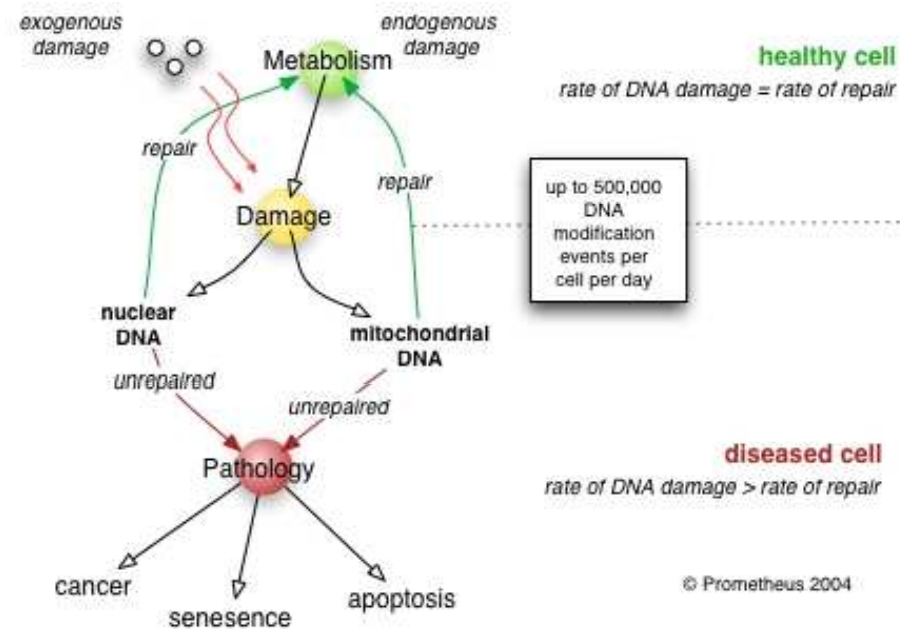






Repair mechanisms

Direct repair
Excision repair
Mismatch repair
SSB repair
(DSB repair)



Effects of ionizing radiation on the human body

- **Deterministic effects**
- **Stochastic effects**

Deterministic effects

- There are those that will take effect after total body irradiation, or a tissue once
- The dependence of the probability of occurrence of damage to an equivalent dose have the sigmoid character

Deterministic effects

- Acute radiation sickness (radiation syndrome)
- Local acute skin damage
- Damage to fetus
- Infertility
- Lenticular opacities

Stochastic effects

- They result from damage to a small number of cells
- They can occur after a single exposure of sub-threshold dose or chronic radiation tissue or whole body

Character of biological effects

Deterministic

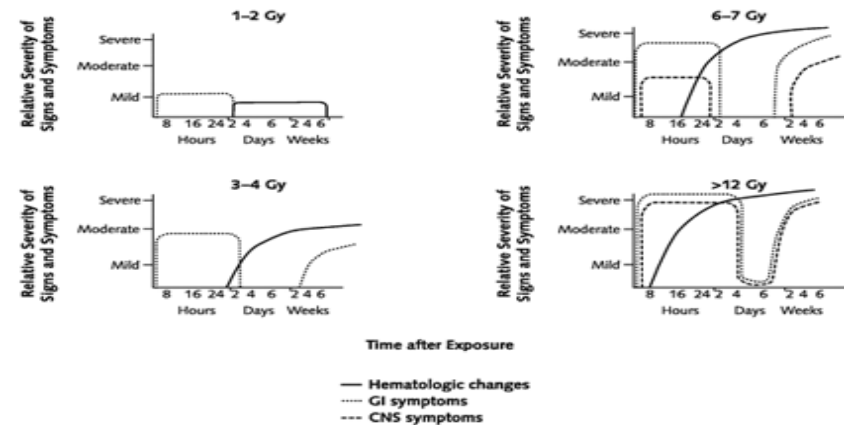
- **severity dependent** ("determined") **on the dose**
- manifestation is **specific**
- effect only when exposure **exceeded threshold**
- damage of **large amount of cells**
- onset rather close to the exposure (**short latency**)
- types:
 - acute radiation syndrome
 - chronic post-radiation syndrome
 - cataract, radiation dermatitis,
 - damage of the foetus *in utero*
 - sterility

Stochastic

- **probability increases with the dose** (not the severity!)
- manifestation **non-specific**
- gradual increase of the risk **without "safe" threshold**
- damage of the **single cell** enough to cause effect
- **manifestation delayed** (typically years)
- types:
 - somatic mutation - cancer
 - leukemias, thyroid, lung, breast, bones
 - germinative mutation (oocyte, sperm cell)

Acute radiation syndrome

affecting the hematopoietic, gastrointestinal system and cerebrovascular timing, extent and severity grade according to the dose - deterministic effect!!
from several hours to several months after exposure

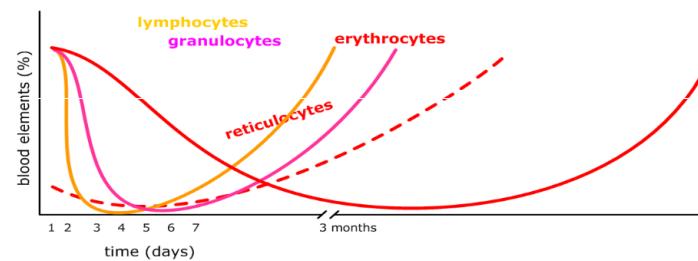
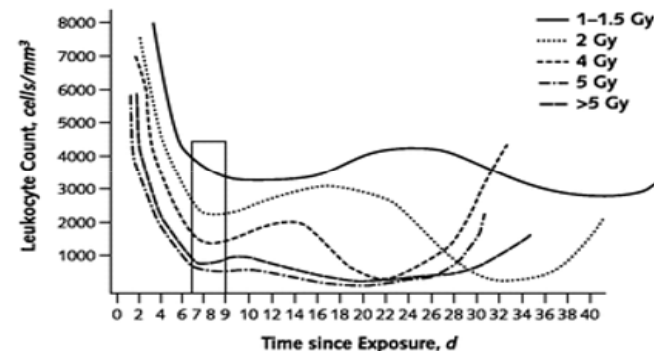


Acute radiation syndrome

- Haematopoietic syndrome ($> 1\text{Gy}$)
- GI syndrome ($> 10\text{Gy}$)
 - early (hours) - nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
 - late (days) - loss of intestinal integrity
malabsorption, dehydration, toxemia / sepsis, ileus, bleeding
- Cerebrovascular syndrome (tens of Gy)
 - headache, cognitive impairment, disorientation, ataxia, convulsions, fatigue and hypotension
- Cutaneous
 - erythema, burns, edema, impaired wound healing

Hematopoietic syndrome

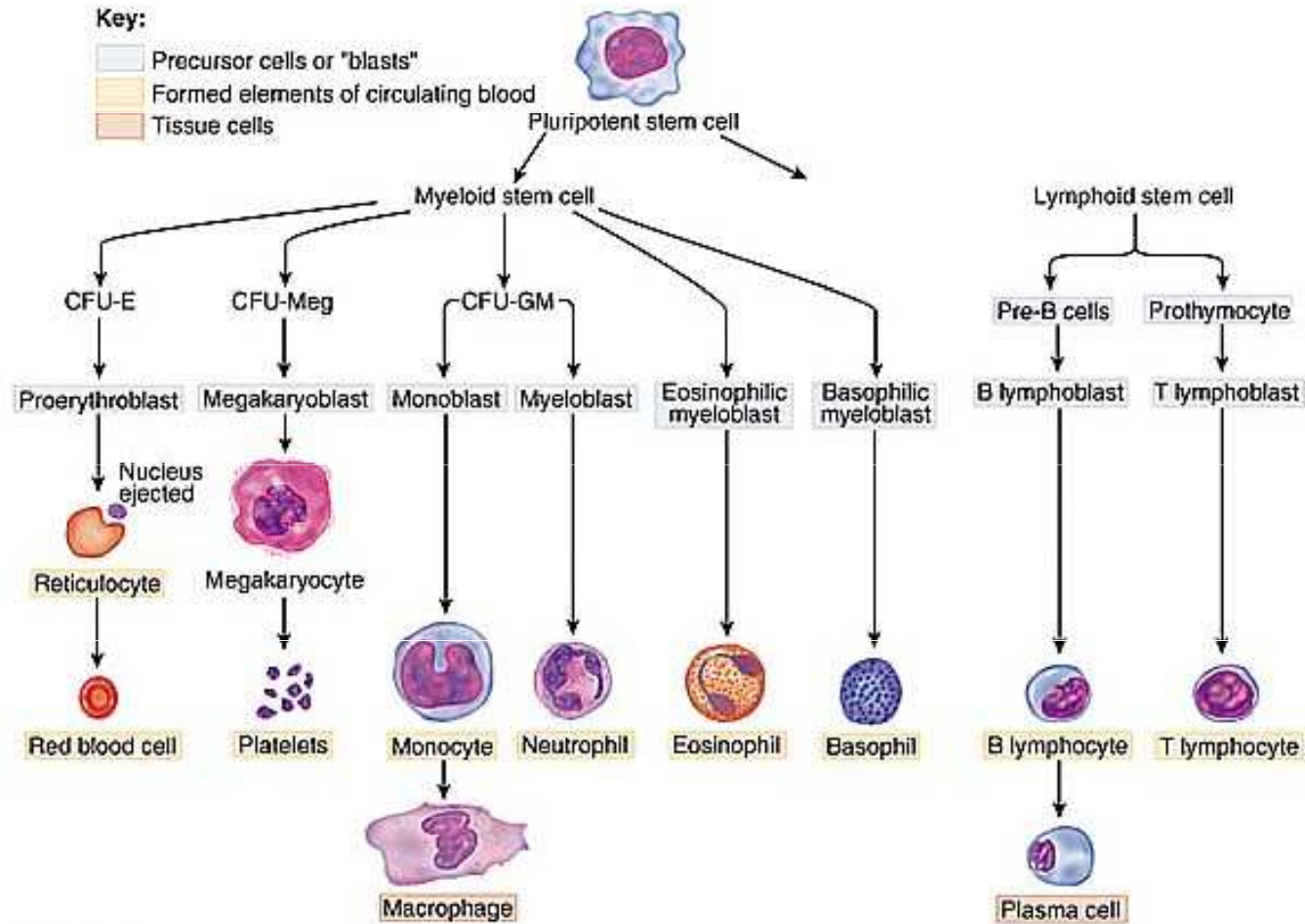
bone marrow irradiation ($> 1\text{GY}$)
leads to an exponential cell death
- haematological crisis
marrow hypoplasia to aplasia + peripheral
pancytopenia (infection, bleeding)
subpopulation of stem bb is
selectively more radioresistant,
(probably due to predominance
bb. stage in G_0)
necessary for regeneration
anemia is the result of late
(erythrocytes ~ 120 days)!
massive stress response
(glucocorticoids) contribute to
lymphopenia (cytolytic effect) and
paradoxically delay the onset of
granulocytopenia (release stocks.
granulocytes from the spleen)

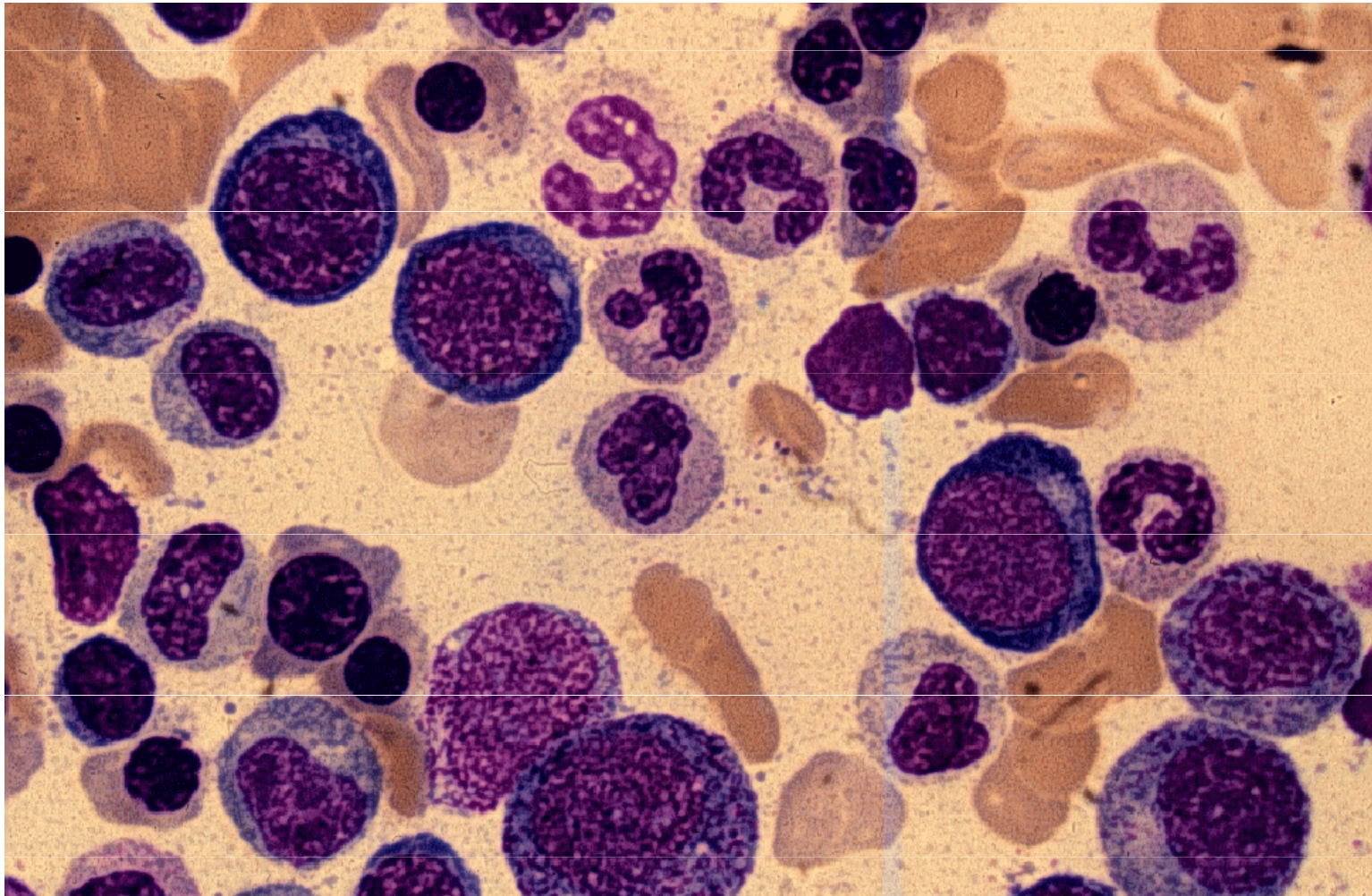


Therapeutic effects of ionizing radiation

- Teletherapy (^{60}Co)
- Contact therapy (^{32}P , ^{90}Sr)
- Brachytherapy (^{60}Co , ^{137}Cs)
- Endotherapy (Na^{131}I)
- Radioimmunotherapy

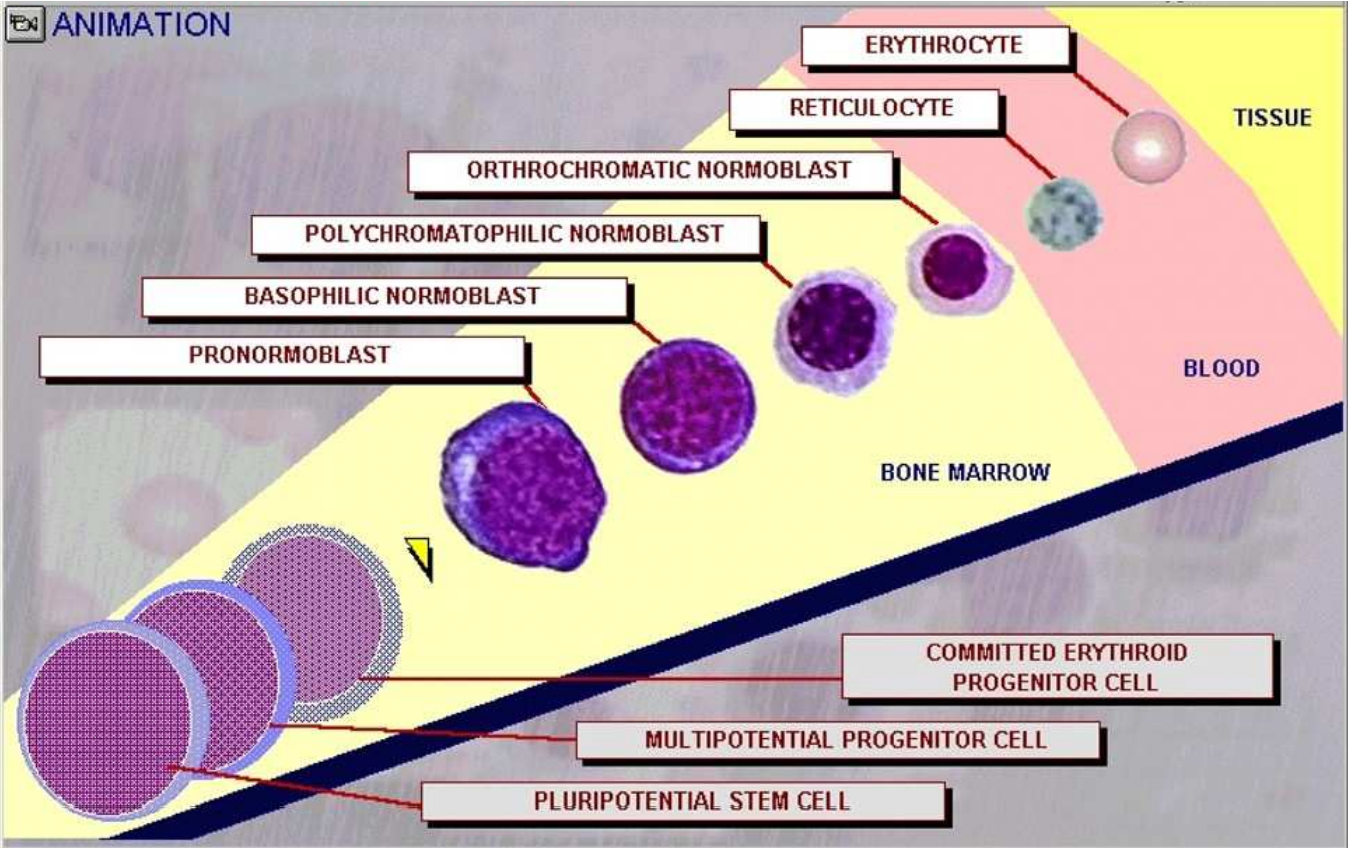
Hemopoiesis







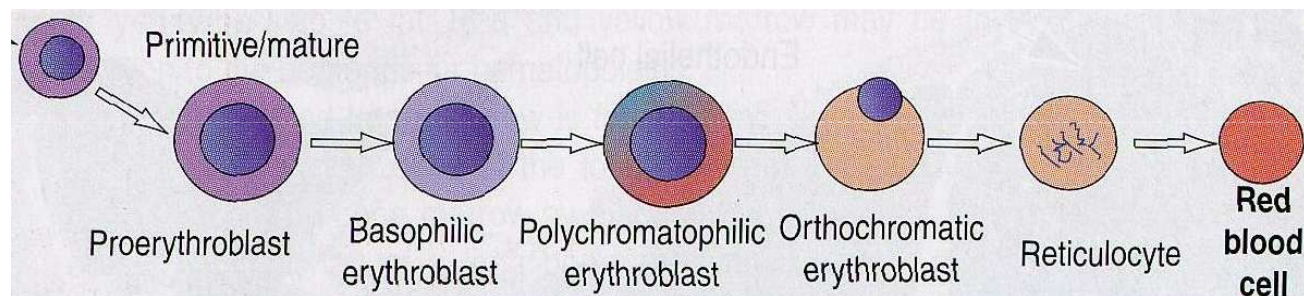
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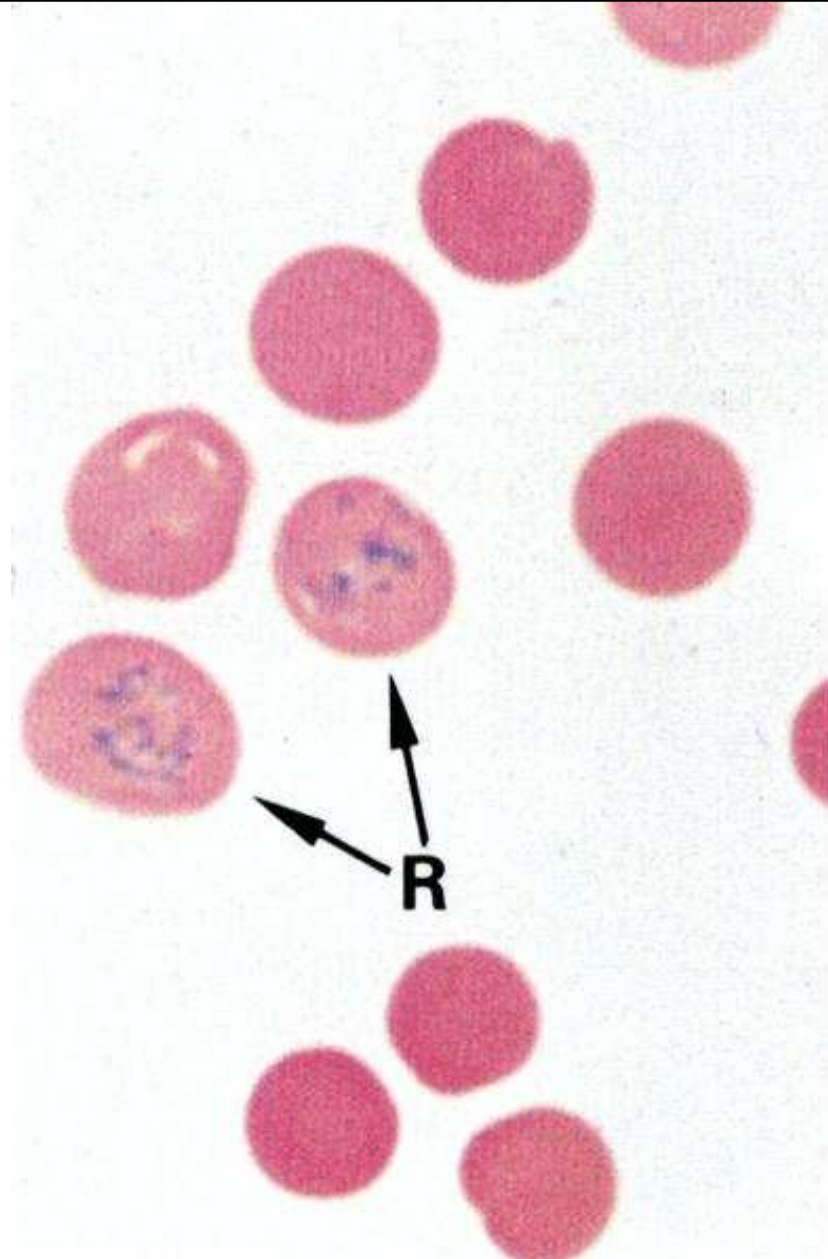
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Erythropoiesis

- Erythropoiesis is the development of mature red blood cells (erythrocytes).
- Like all blood cells, erythroid cells begin as **pluripotential stem cells**.
- The first cell that is recognizable as specifically leading down the red cell pathway is the **proerythroblast**.
- As development progresses, the nucleus becomes somewhat smaller and the cytoplasm becomes more basophilic, due to the presence of ribosomes. In this stage the cell is called a **basophilic erythroblast**.
- The cell will continue to become smaller throughout development. As the cell begins to produce hemoglobin, the cytoplasm attracts both basic and eosin stains, and is called a **polychromatophilic erythroblast**.
- The cytoplasm eventually becomes more eosinophilic, and the cell is called an **orthochromatic erythroblast**.
- This orthochromatic erythroblast will then extrude its nucleus and enter the circulation as a **reticulocyte**. Reticulocytes are so named because these cells contain reticular networks of polyribosomes. As reticulocytes lose their polyribosomes they become **mature red blood cells**.

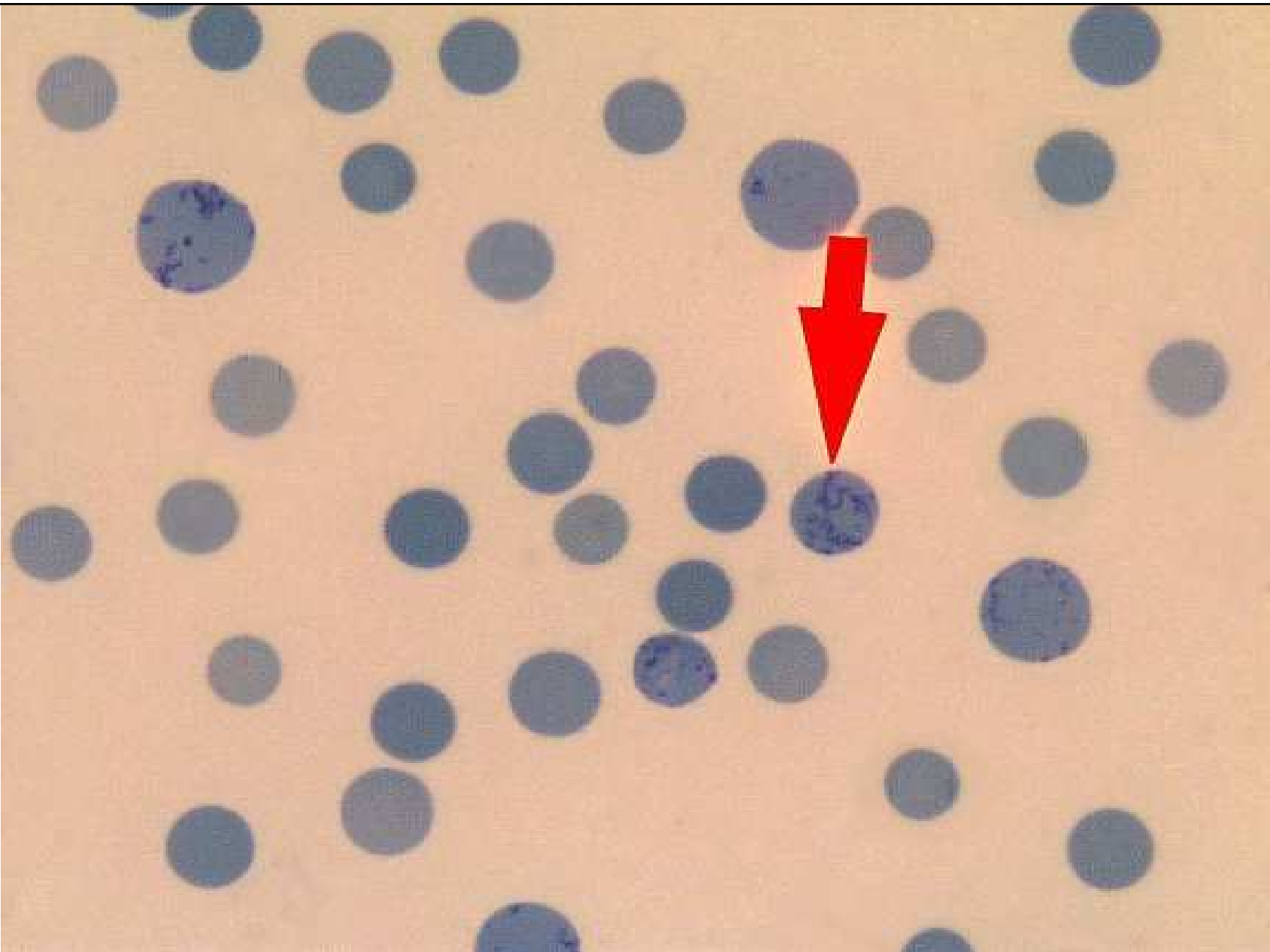


Reticulocyte



Reticulocytes

- **Reticulocytes** are immature red blood cells, typically composing about 1% of the red cells in the human body.
- Reticulocytes develop and mature in the red bone marrow and then circulate for about a day in the blood stream before developing into mature red blood cells.
- Like mature red blood cells, reticulocytes do not have a cell nucleus.
- They are called reticulocytes because of a reticular (mesh-like) network of ribosomal RNA that becomes visible under a microscope with certain stains such as new methylene blue.



Classification of reticulocyte counts

- Counting with immersion, magnification 100
 - **Out of 1000 RBC in the moving viewing field, the number of RET will be counted**
 - Normal counts RAT: app. 20 ‰ RET
 - Normal counts MAN: app 0.5-1.5% (5-15‰) RET
- ↑ number: increasing bloodforming (regeneration)
↓ number: inhibition of erythropoiesis

Differential leucocyte counts

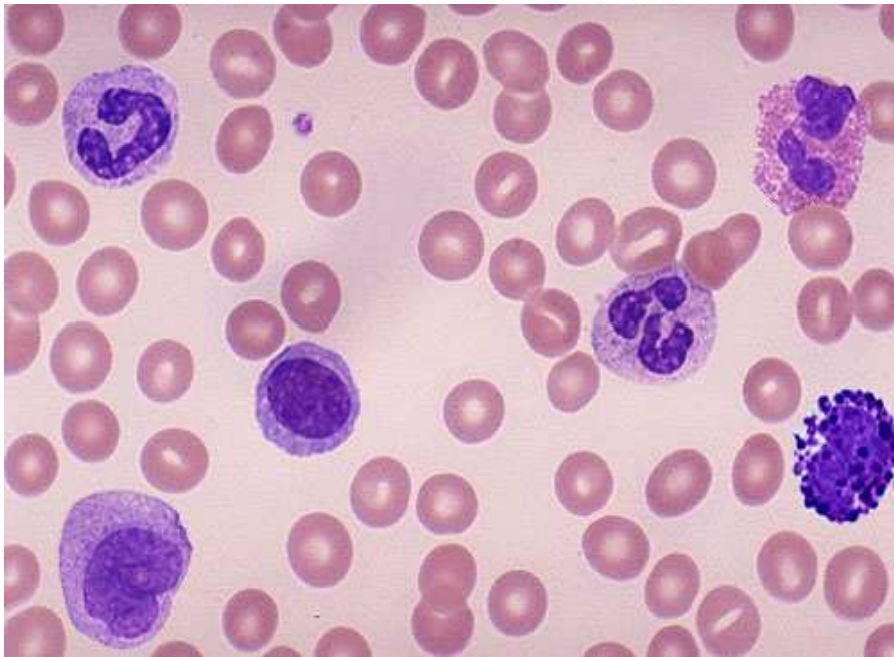
- Changes in WBC number (%)
 - Indication of infection, poisoning, leukemia, chemotherapy, allergic reaction
- Normal WBC counts in man:
 - neutrophils 60-70% (incr. in bacterial infection)
 - lymphocytes 20-25% (incr. in viral infection)
 - monocytes 3-8 % (incr. in fungal/viral infection)
 - eozinophils 2-4 % (incr. in allergic reaction and parasital infect.)
 - bazophils <1% (incr. in allergic reaction)

Normal counts of WBC in rat

– Number of WBC.....cca 12.5 tis.mm-3

- neutrophil granulocytes 18 - 36%
- eozinophil granulocytes 1 - 4%
- bazophil granulocytes 0 - 1%
- lymphocytes 62 - 75%
- monocytes 1 - 6%

Blood smear



neutrophil „band“

neutrophil
„segment“

monocyte

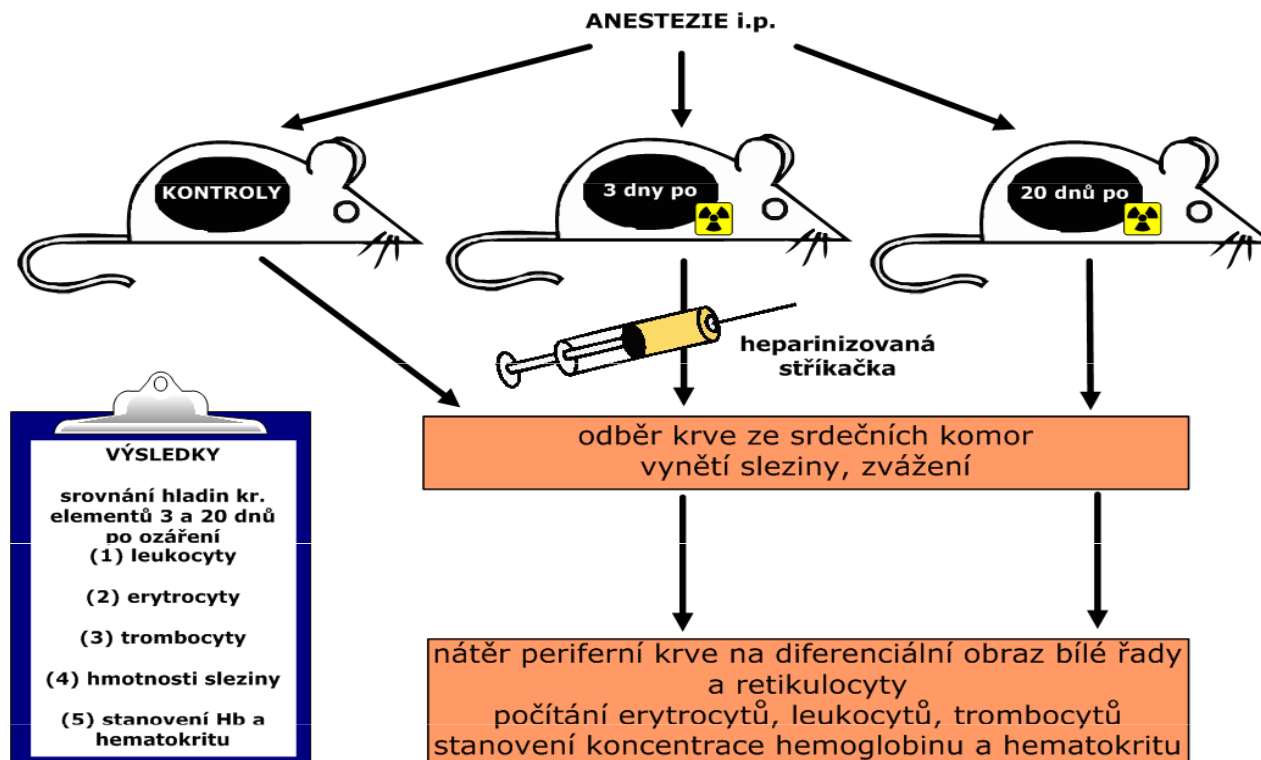
lymphocyte

eosinophil

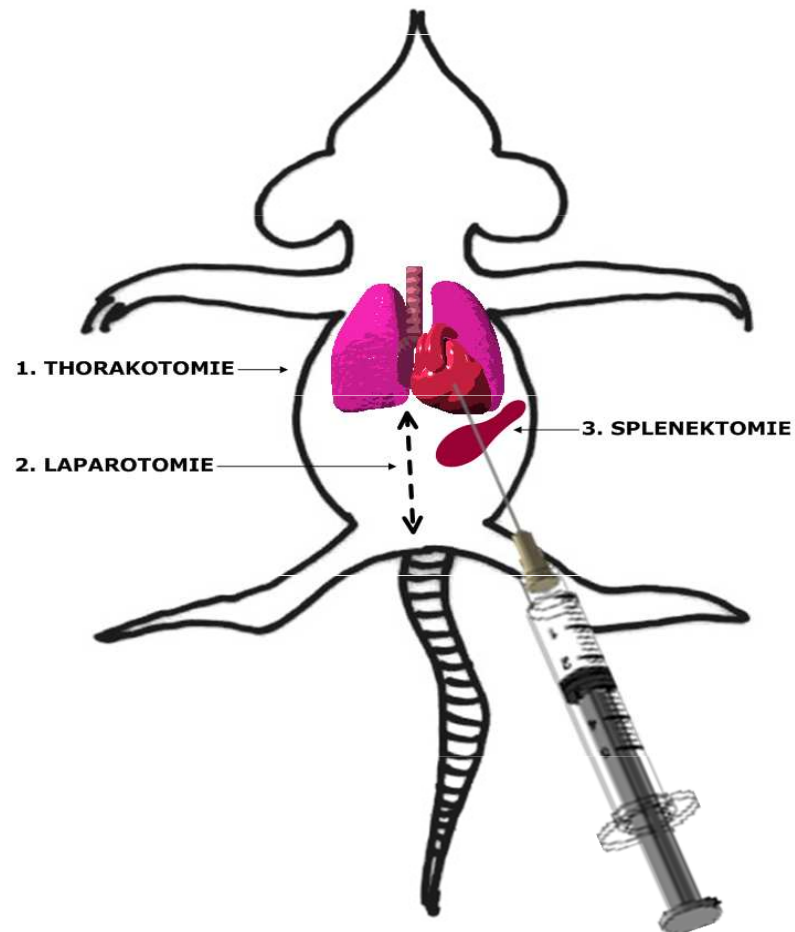
bazophil

trombocyte

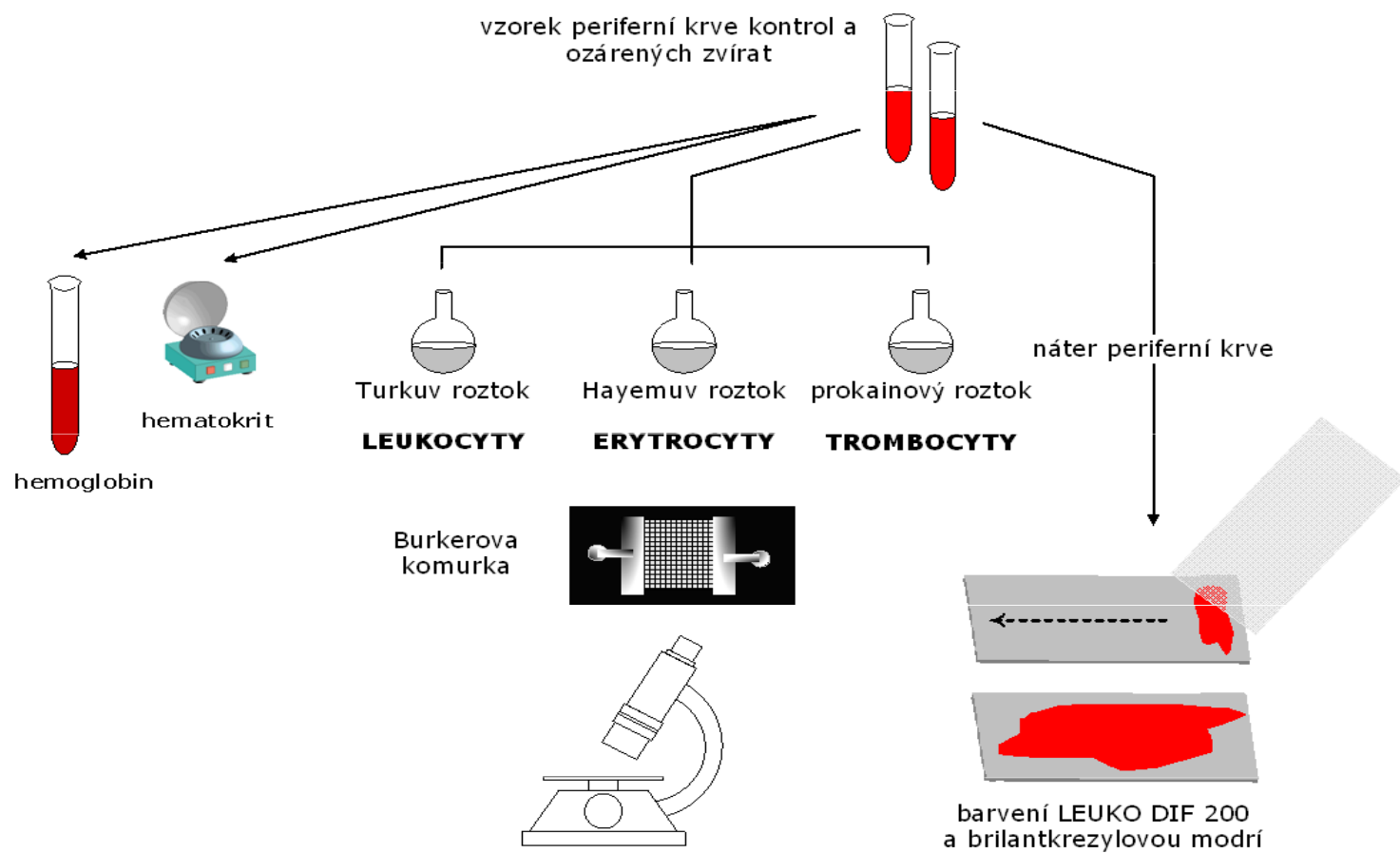
Praktikum I - design



Praktikum I – operační postup



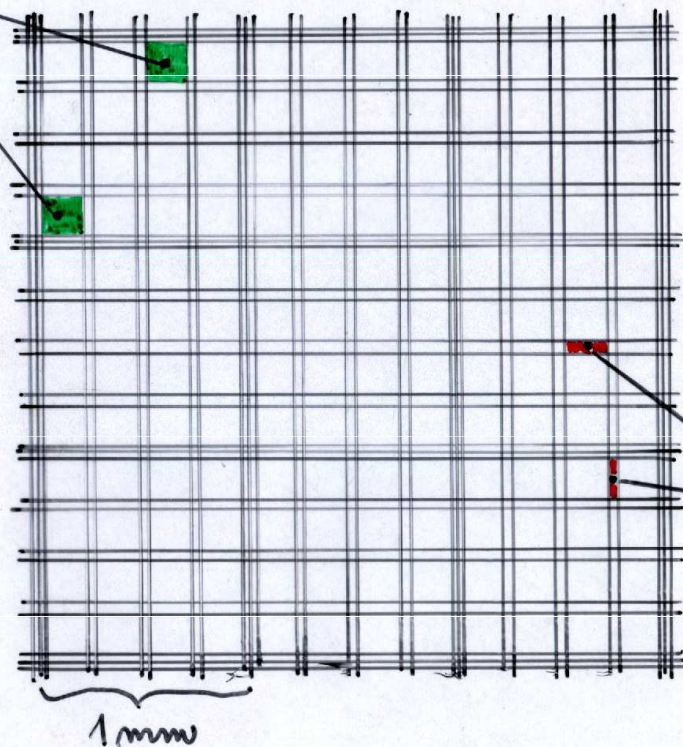
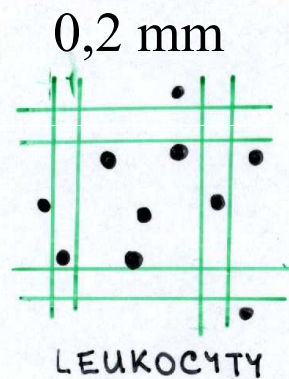
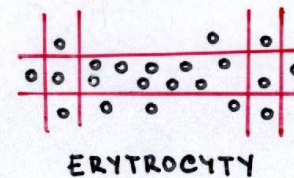
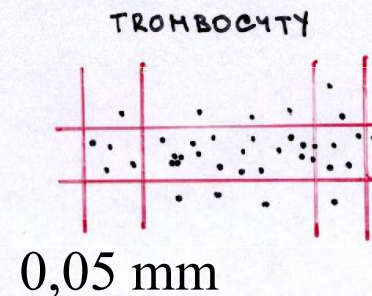
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BUKEROVA KOMURKA

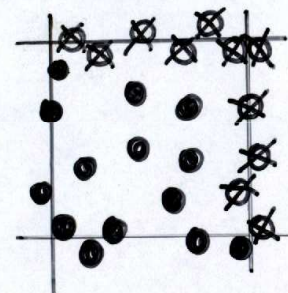
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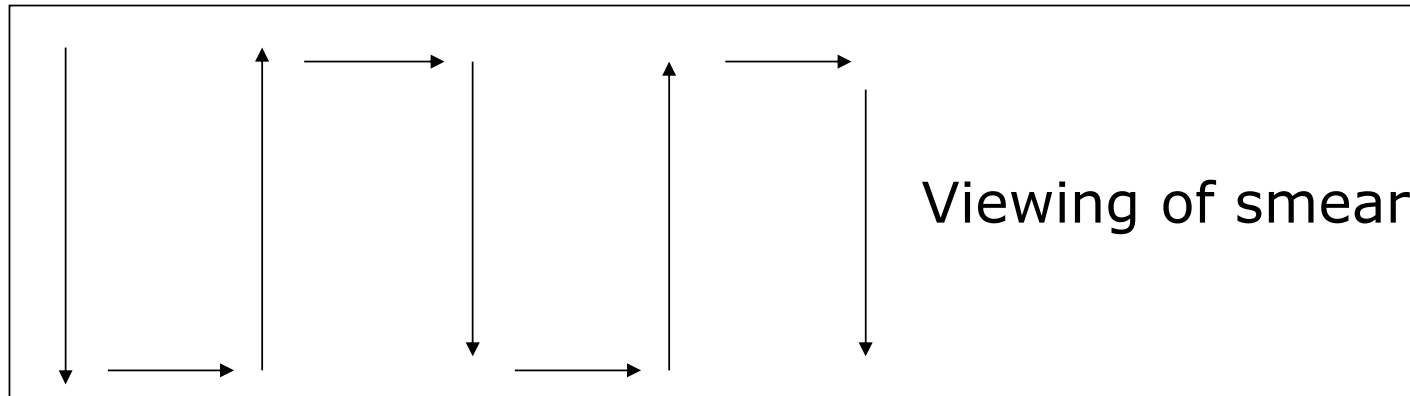
50x
LEUKO



20x
TROJERY

BUKEROVO
PRAVIDLO





- The stained smear will first be viewed at a low magnification and an area where white cells are not overlaid by red cells will be selected.
- Using an immersion objective, a total of 100 WBC will be registered and identified as to their individual type.
- The viewing field will be moved in order to count the prescribed number of leucocytes.

That's all Folks!