

# **MANGANESE**

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- 12 - 20 mg in organism, predominantly in mitochondria
- Mn/S = 7 – 27 nmol/l  
0.5 – 1.5 µg/l
- RDI
- 2 - 5 mg /d
- tea, grains, cocoa, nuts, ginger, parsley, blueberries

# **Metabolism**

- **Absorption:** 3-5%
- **Transport:** in plasma bound to  $\alpha$ -2-macroglobulin, in ercs to Hb, in liver to transferrin and transmanganin
- **Excretion:** **faeces:** 0.8 - 1  $\mu\text{g/d}$  (bile, pancreatic and shed-mucosal Mn)  
**urine:** 0.1 – 1.4  $\mu\text{g /kg /d}$

# Function

- **glukosaminoglykans synthesis (bones and cartilages)**
- **mitochondrial Mn-SOD 2 ( $Mn^{2+} \leftrightarrow Mn^{3+}$ )**
- **pyruvate carboxylase, arginase, ALP**
- **cholesterol synthesis**
- **synthesis and activation of protrombin**
- **insulin synthesis**
- **participation in oxidative phosphorylation**

# **Deficiency**

- **bone defects**
- **skin changes**
- **neurological symptoms**
- **coagulation disorders**
- **disorders in lipoprotein formation**

# Toxicity

- in workmen with manganese ore,  
 $KMnO_4$  poisoning
- orally: emesis, diarrhoea
- inhalation : pneumonia, irreversible  
affection of basal ganglia