

**12B. Biological oxidations.
Effects of free radicals to organisms.
Lipoperoxidations, antioxidants.**

Oxidative stress

- **Oxidative stress** appears during large accumulation of arising reactive forms of **oxygen/nitrogen**, when the organism is unable to dispose of them.
- Oxidative stress **harms the cells** (especially cell membranes), proteins, enzymes, genetic material and contributes to development of infectious and degenerative diseases.
- Is supposed to participate in development of **atherosclerosis, diabetes, tumour diseases, degenerative nervous diseases, aging, ...**
- Doesn't have only undesirable effect – under the supervision of white blood cells, it serves for **killing of bacteria, parasites, viruses, tumour cells...**

Free radicals

Any molecule/atom capable of independent existence with 1/more unpaired electrons

Atom: proton, neutron, electron shell (orbital)

Radical: contains free **unpaired** electron in outer orbital
(it can be atom or molecule, neutral or ion)

-homolytic cleavage of covalent bond (energetically difficult, not often in biolog. systems)

- by reduction, oxidation

- majority of biomolecules **are not** radicals

Radical reactions

Radical: effort for pairing of electrons,
mostly significant reactivity

Generally three stages

- initiation
- propagation
- termination

Reactive forms of oxygen and nitrogen (ROS, RNS)

- Overall term for free radicals and some non-radical compounds (RONS)
- Significant physiological functions in organism
- Toxic under certain conditions
- Transformations catalysed by ions of transition metals
- **Fenton's reaction:** $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{Fe}^{2+} \dots \text{HO}\cdot + \text{HO}^- + \text{Fe}^{3+}$
- Regeneration Fe^{2+} : $\text{O}_2^- \dots$
- Haber-Weiss reaction
- Transition metals: first row of d-elements has unpaired electrons which can be considered as free radicals, except Zn
- The most significant: **Fe, Cu, Mn and Zn**
- **In organism bound in depot forms, inactive, transferrin, ferritin, ceruloplasmin**

ROS (reactive oxygen species)

free radicals

superoxid, $O_2^{\cdot -}$

hydroxyl radical, OH^{\cdot}

peroxyl, ROO^{\cdot}

alkoxyl, RO^{\cdot}

hydroperoxyl, HO_2^{\cdot}

are not free radicals

hydrogen peroxide, H_2O_2
(Fenton's reaction)

hypochlorous acid, $HClO$

ozone, O_3

singlet oxygen, 1O_2

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RNS (reactive nitrogen species)

free radicals

nitric oxide, $\text{NO} \cdot$

nitrogen dioxide, $\text{NO}_2 \cdot$

are not free radicals

nitrosyl, NO^+

nitrous acid, HONO

dinitrogen oxide, N_2O_3

dinitrogen tetroxide, N_2O_4

peroxynitrite, ONOO^-

alkylperoxinitrite, ROONO

hypochlorous acid, HOCl

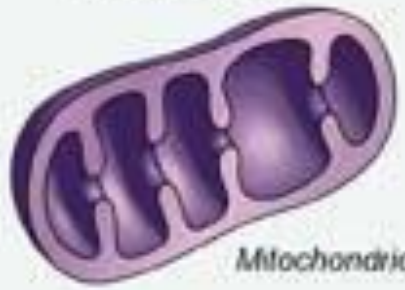
hypochlorite ClO^-

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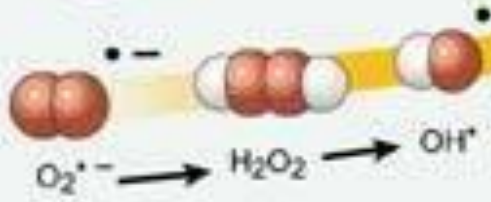
FORMATION OF FREE RADICALS



METABOLISM



Mitochondrion

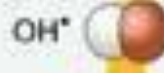


INFLAMMATION



White blood cell

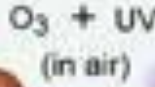
IONIZING RADIATION



DNA DAMAGE



AIR POLLUTION



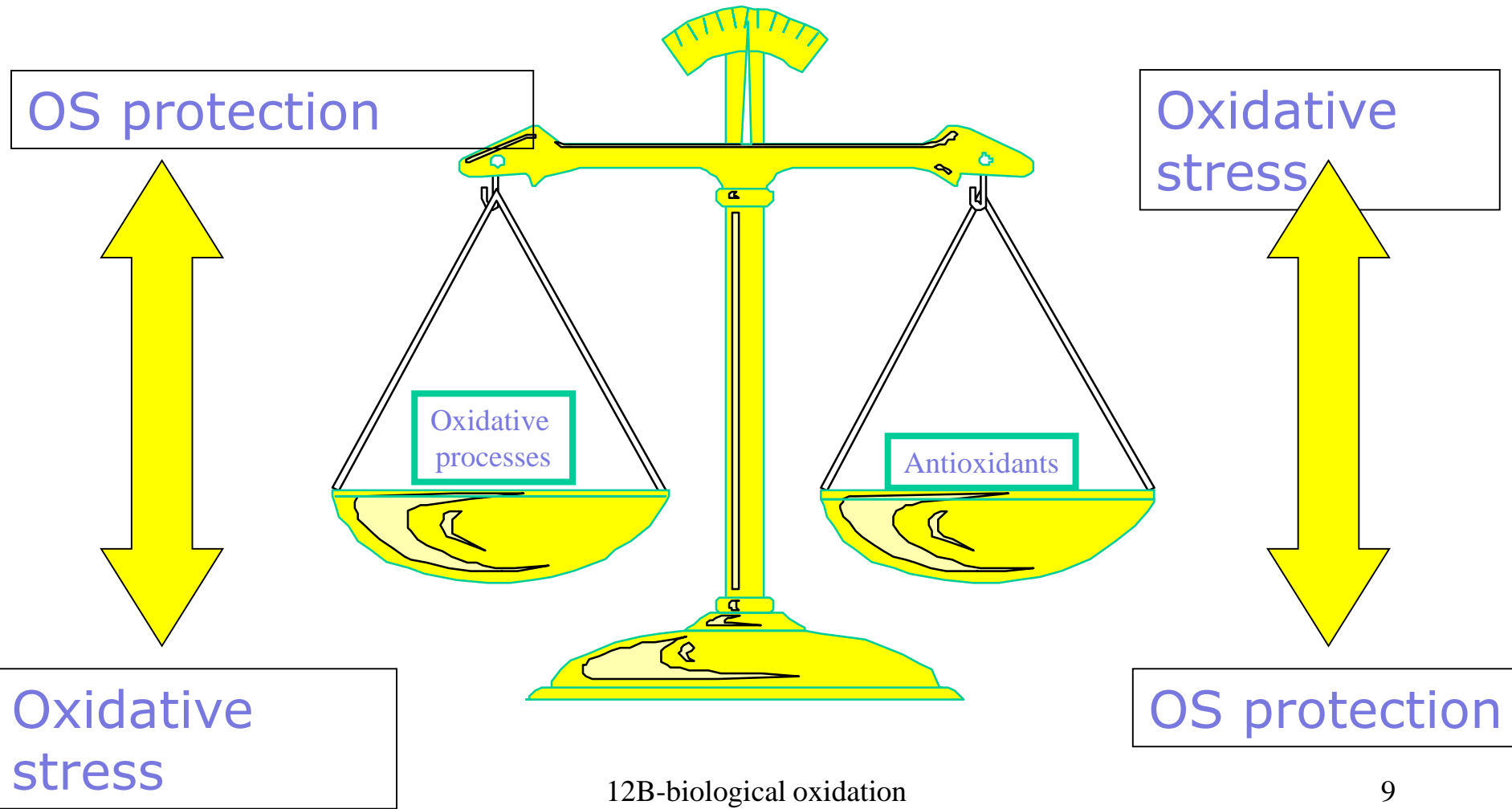
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Oxidative stress

- antioxidative processes can't manage the elimination of excessive free radicals



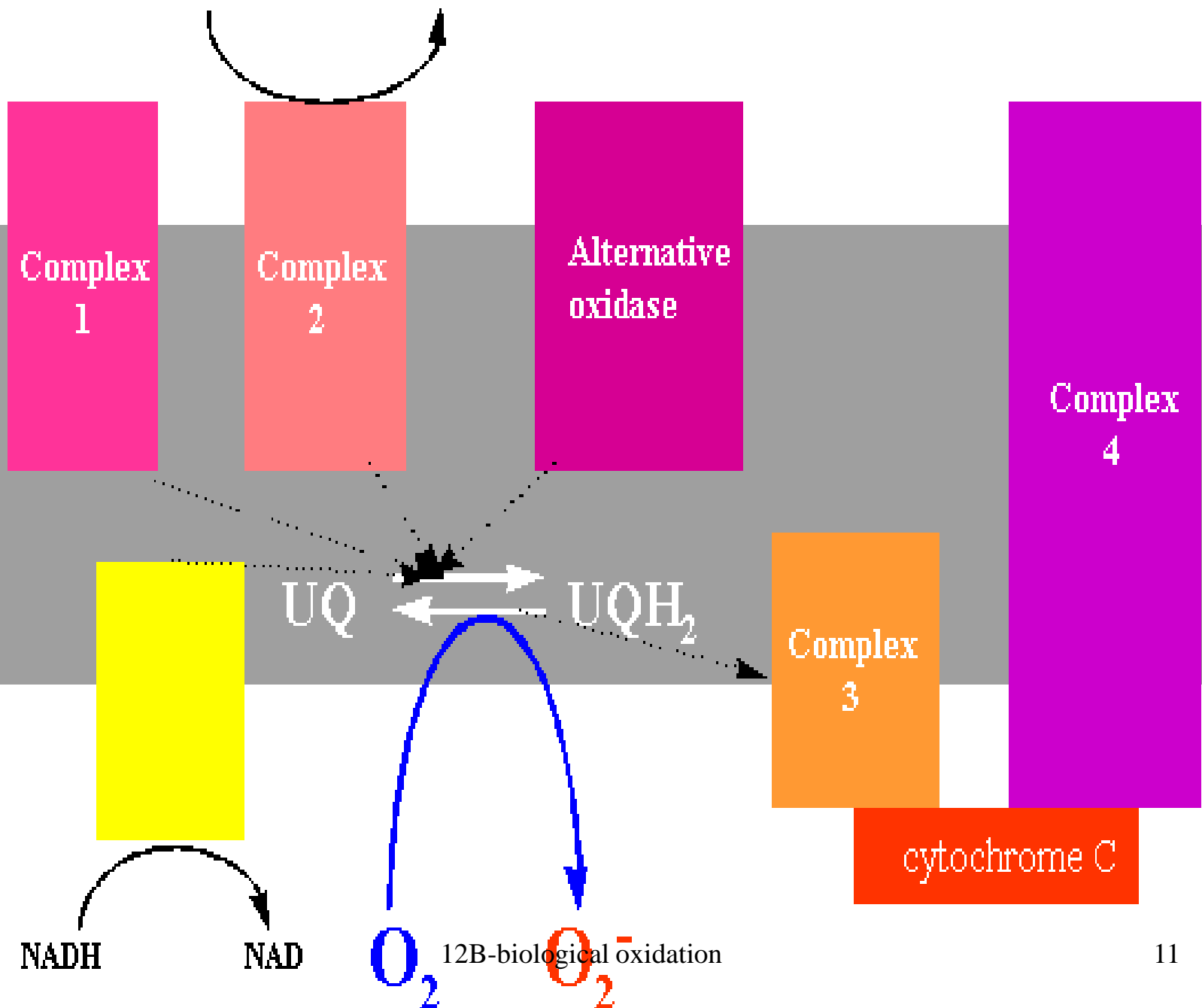
Where do free radicals come from?

Main ROS producers: membrane bound enzymes alternatively coenzymes with flavine structure, hem coenzymes, enzymes with Cu in active center

1. *Mitochondrial respiratory chain:* especially superoxide, subsequently H_2O_2
 - about 1- 4% O_2 entering the respiratory chain (**especially complexes I and III**)

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SUCCINATE FUMARATE



Where do free radicals come from?

2. *endoplasmatic reticulum*

formation of superoxide (cytochrom P- 450)

3. *specialized cells* (leukocytes, macrophages)

production of superoxide by NADP-oxidase

4. *oxidation of hemoglobine to methemoglobin*

(erythrocyt is „charged“ by antioxidants)

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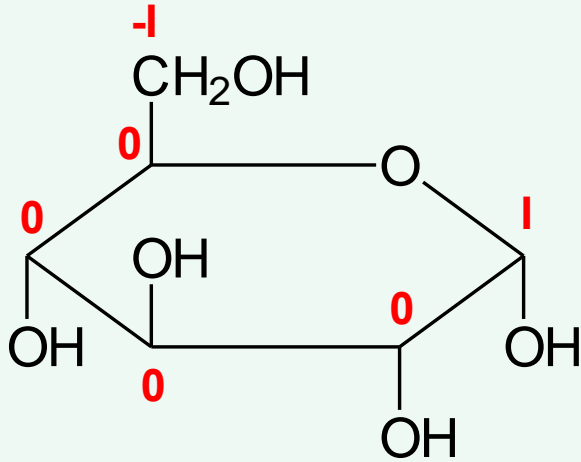
Respiratory chain

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Reactive forms of oxygen

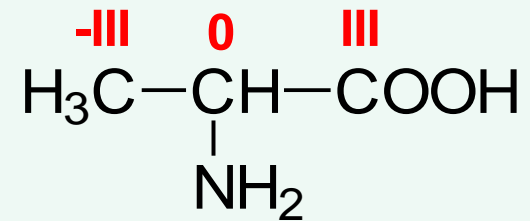
Nutrients are reduced forms of carbon

because of prevailing low oxidation numbers of carbon



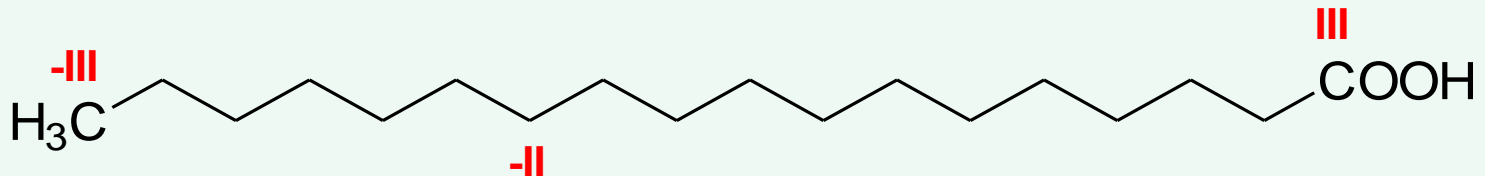
glucose: 6,7 % H

average ox.n. C = 0,0



alanine: 7,9 % H

average ox. n. C = 0,0



stearic acid: 12,8 % H

average ox. n. C = -1,8 \Rightarrow carbon is the most reduced
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Two ways of ATP formation in cell

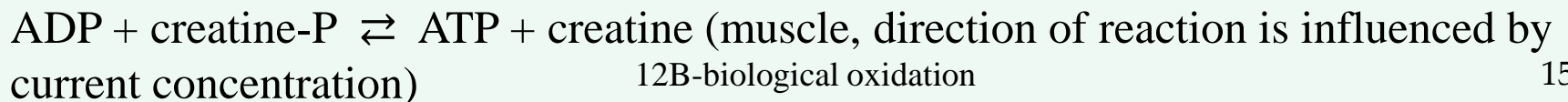
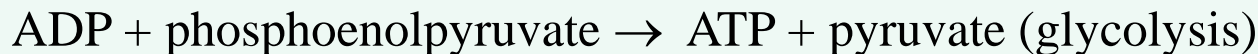
95 % of ATP is formed by **aerobic phosphorylation (in presence of O₂)**:



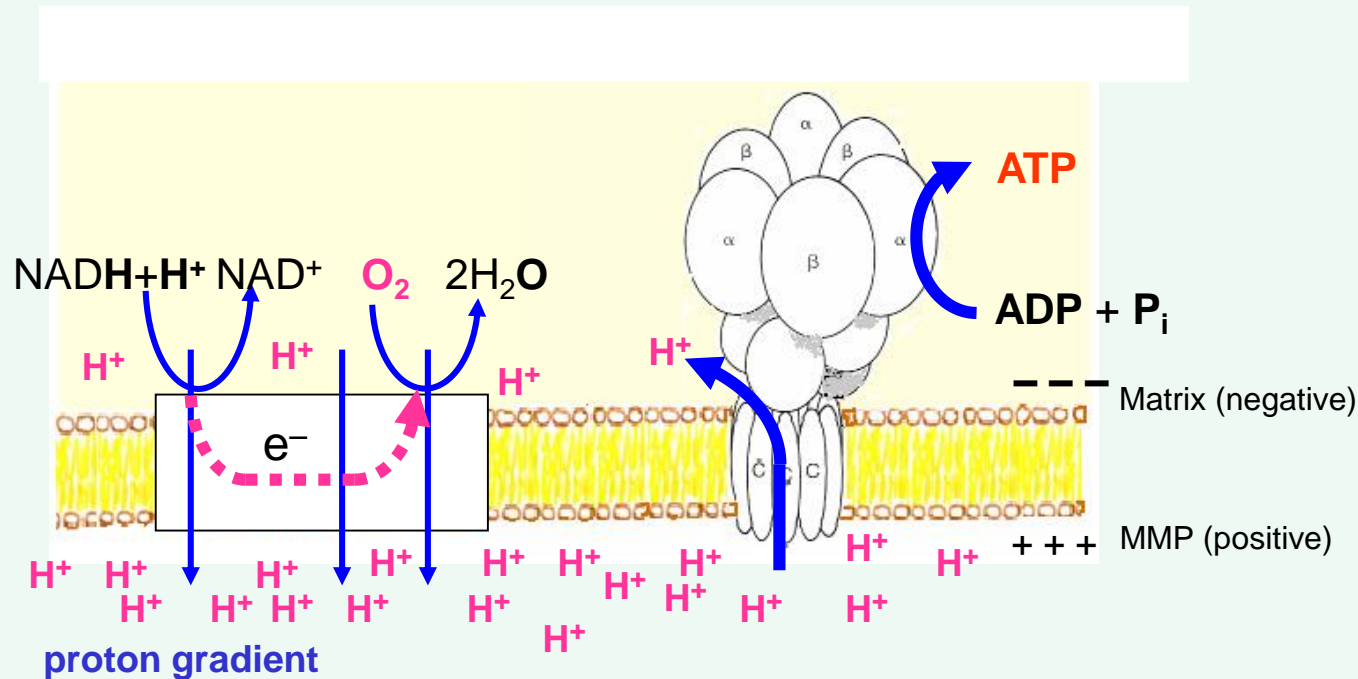
5 % is formed by **substrate phosphorylation**:



higher / comparable energetic contain as ATP



RC is system of redox processes in inner mitochondrial membrane, beginning with NADH oxidation and ending with O_2 reduction to water.



Transfer of electrons in inner mitochondrial membrane is connected to transfer of protons through membrane to intermembrane space.

Proton gradient is used to ATP synthesis.

Components of respiratory chain

- substrates (NADH+H⁺, FADH₂)
- enzyme complexes (I – IV)
- cofactors bound to enzymes of complexes (FMN, FAD, Fe-S, hem)
- individual components between complexes (ubiquinone, cytochrome *c*)

Distinguish:

hem (cyclic tetrapyrrole chelating Fe ion) × cytochrome (hem protein)

Collecting points for reduction equivalents

pyruvate, CC, keto
compounds

$\text{NADH} + \text{H}^{\oplus}$

NAD^{\oplus}

sukcinát

fumarát

acyl-CoA

oxidace

enoyl-CoA

matrix

I.

II.

FAD

FAD

Q

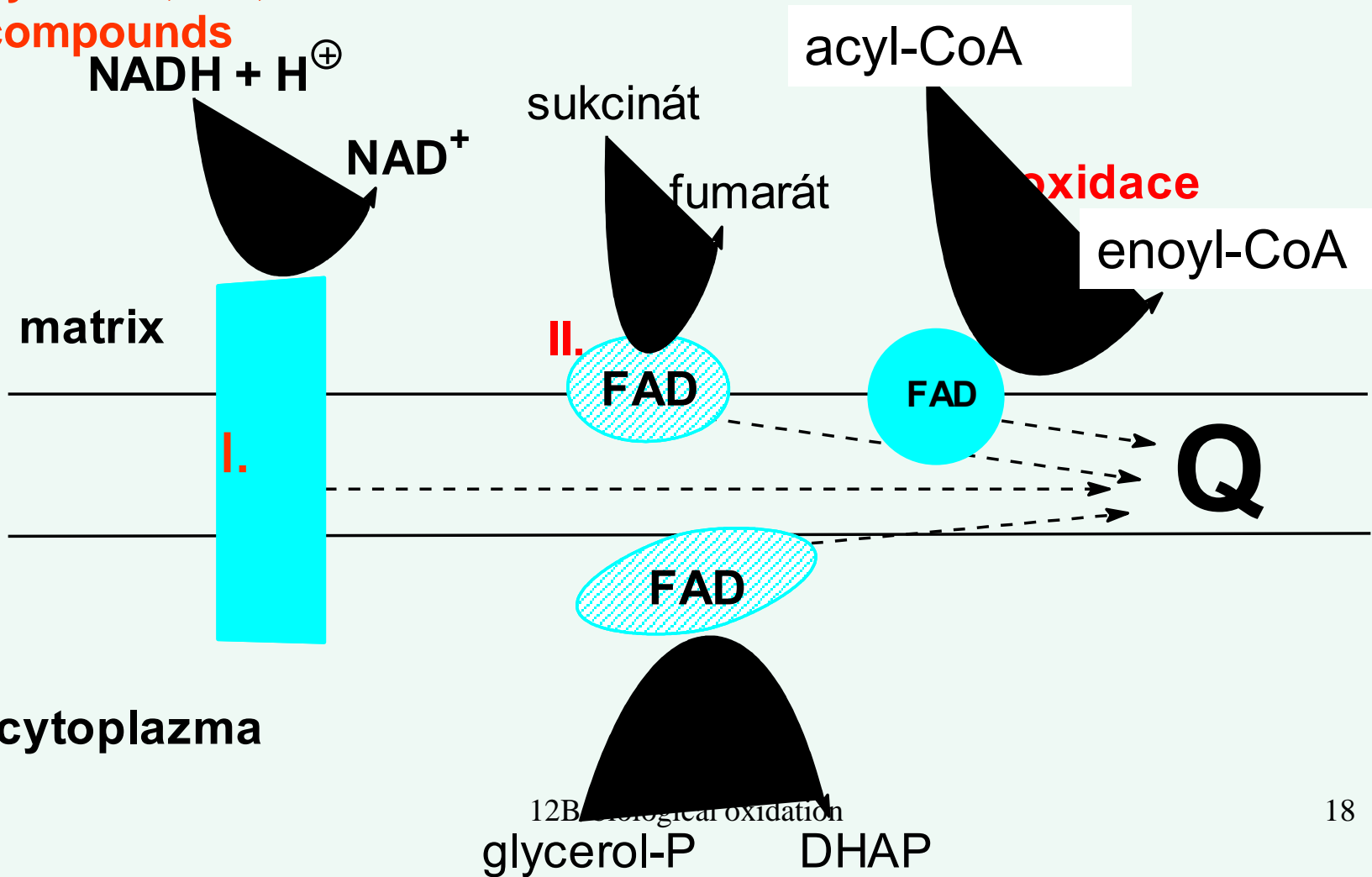
cytoplazma

FAD

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glycerol-P

DHAP



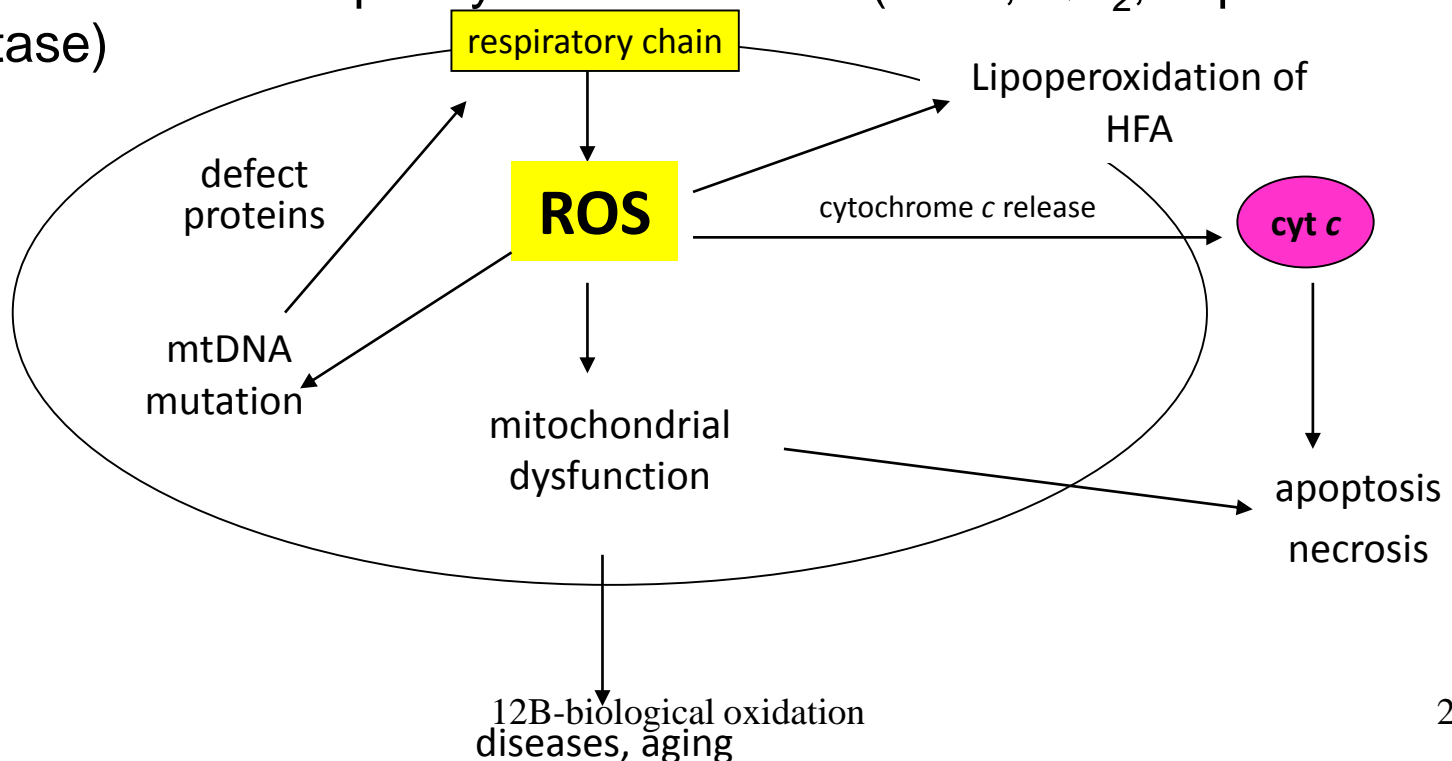
Enzyme complexes in RC

	Name	Cofactors	Oxidation	Reduction
I.	NADH-Q oxidoreductase*	FMN, Fe-S	$\text{NADH} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+$	$\text{Q} \rightarrow \text{QH}_2$
II.	succinate-Q reductase	FAD, Fe-S, <i>cyt b</i>	$\text{FADH}_2 \rightarrow \text{FAD}$	$\text{Q} \rightarrow \text{QH}_2$
III.	Q-cytochrome- <i>c</i> -reductase	Fe-S, <i>cyt b</i> , <i>c</i> ₁	$\text{QH}_2 \rightarrow \text{Q}$	$\text{cyt } c_{\text{ox}} \rightarrow \text{cyt } c_{\text{red}}$
IV.	cytochrome- <i>c</i> -oxidase	<i>cyt a</i> , <i>a</i> ₃ , Cu	$\text{cyt } c_{\text{red}} \rightarrow \text{cyt } c_{\text{ox}}$	$\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$

* also called NADH dehydrogenase

Mitochondria and oxidative stress

- about 98 % of O₂ is consumed in RC (cytochrome-*c*-oxidase)
- except of water, reactive forms of oxygen (ROS, reactive oxygen species) are formed
- complexes I and III are main sources of ROS (formation of superoxide)
- production of superoxide increases if flow of electrons in RC slows down or turns around
- mitochondria contain plenty of antioxidants (GSH, QH₂, superoxide dismutase)



Mitochondria and apoptosis

- apoptosis is regulated process of cell extinction with minimal response to surrounding tissue
- apoptosis is important for natural tissue regeneration
- regulatory apoptotic proteins belong to Bcl-2 family (B-cell lymphoma 2),
- Some of them are anti-apoptotic (Bcl-xl), others pro-apoptotic (Bax, Bak)
- Bax and Bak proteins oligomerize to form a pore in outer mitochondrial membrane
- cytochrome c is released to cytosole, binds to inactive caspases and other proapoptotic factors –**apoptosom** is formed – that triggers executive stages of apoptose (caspase cascade)

Reactive forms of oxygen in organism

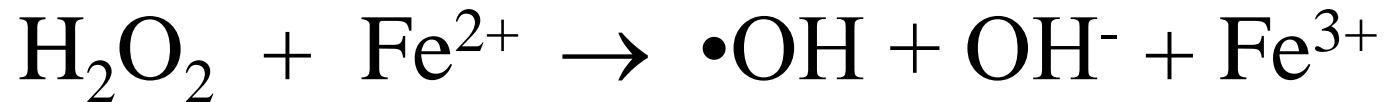
Radicals	Neutral, anions, cations
Superoxide $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$	Hydrogen peroxide HOOH
Hydroxyl radical $\cdot\text{OH}$	Hydroperoxides* ROOH
Peroxyl radical* $\text{ROO}\cdot$	Hypochlorous acid HClO
Alkoxyl radical $\text{RO}\cdot$	Singlet oxygen $^1\text{O}_2$
Hydroperoxyl radical $\text{HOO}\cdot$	Peroxynitrite ONOO^-
Nitric oxide $\text{NO}\cdot$	Nitronium NO_2^+

* Derivates of phospholipides during lipoperoxidation: PUFA-OO \cdot , PUFA-OOH

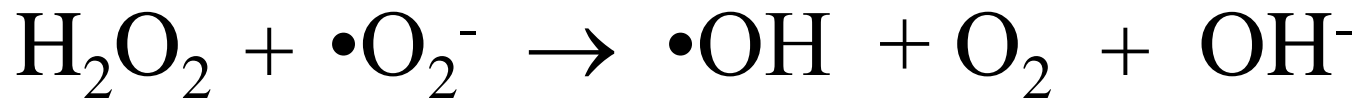
Hydroxyl radical HO·

- **The most reactive** free radical, reacts immediately with molecules in place of formation
- Reacts with all the molecules in living organisms
- Extremely strong oxidation agent
- Formation: Fenton's reaction, homolytic cleavage of O-O bond in H₂O₂, ionizing radiation, in reaction of HOCl with O₂^{-·}, ultrasound, in lithotripsy and lyophilisation

Strongly reactive hydroxyl radical $\bullet\text{OH}$ is formed in Fenton's reaction

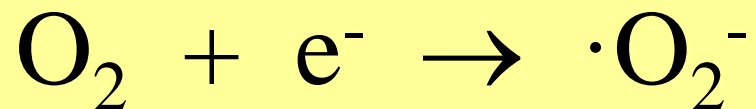


or from hydrogen peroxide and superoxide, catalyzed by Fe^{2+} ions:



Superoxide anion-radical $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$

- is formed by one electron reduction of dioxygen
- relatively little reactive
- acts as oxidation and reduction agent (reduction of cytoch. C x oxidation of ascorbate)
- dirrect damage of biomolecules highly selective
- indirrect facilitates HO formation.
- formation of peroxynitrile after reaction with NO.



[this is not a reaction, ^{12B, biological oxidation} only one redox pair]

Superoxide formation in organism

- **so called respiratory inflammation** (NADPH oxidase, phagocytizing leukocytes)



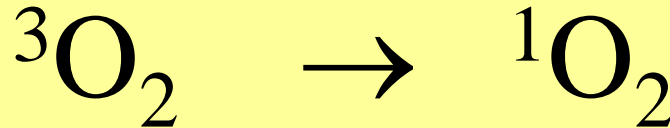
- **spontaneous oxidation of hemoproteins**



[these are the reactions, combination of two redox pairs]

Singlet oxygen¹O₂

- Excited state of triplet dioxygen, molecular O₂ with paired spins, more reactive than common O₂,
- Formed in photochemical reactions, also after light absorption by some pigments (porphyrins)
- Causes biologic damage (damage of retina, porphyria)
- Treatment of neonatal hepatitis, psoriasis

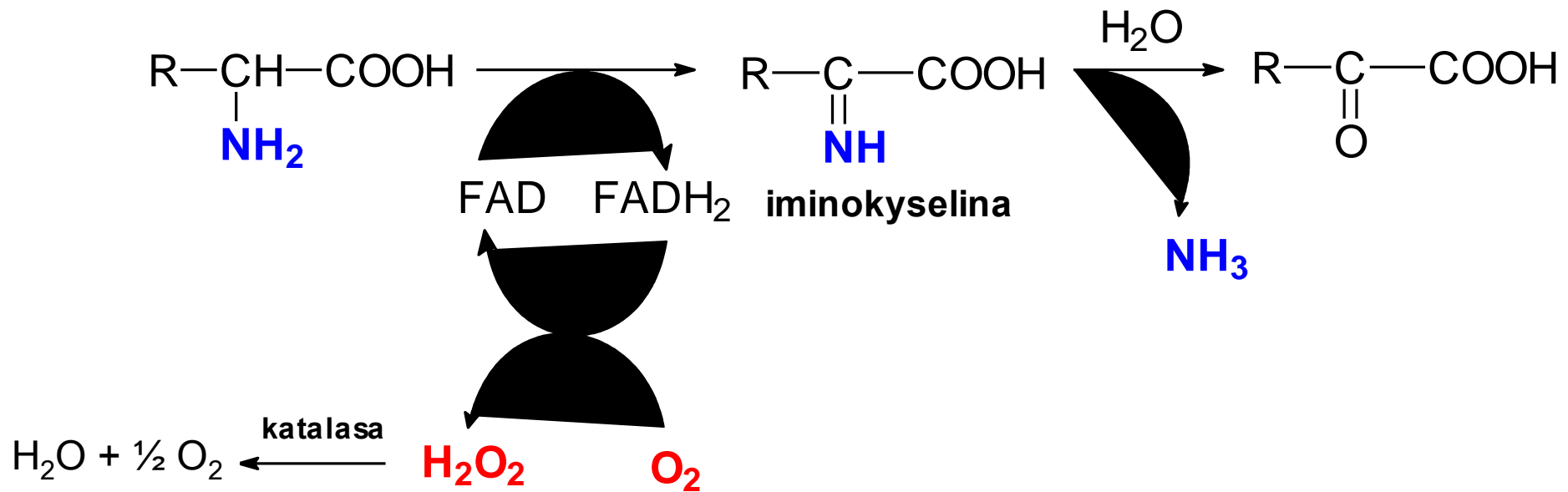


- Interaction with other molecules
- Chemical reactions (formation of hydroperoxides, endoperoxides from compounds with one or more double bonds/conjugated systems)
- Formation of carbonyl compounds from tryptophane
- Transfer of excitation energy (quenching)

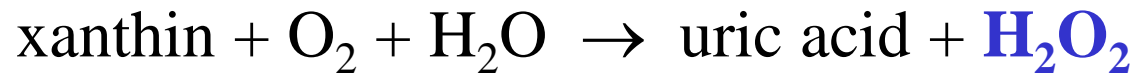
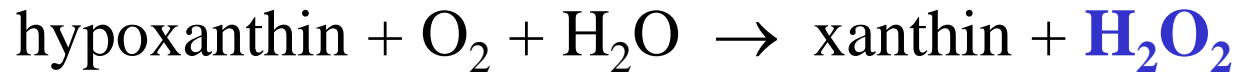
Hydrogen peroxide H_2O_2

- *in vitro* relatively unstable compound, easily decomposed to water and oxygen
- In organism is formed in AA/amines deamination
- also in xanthinoxidase reaction
- two electron reduction of O_2
- can oxidize -SH groups of enzymes, produce hydroxyl radical, ...
- Little reactive, toxic in high concentrations

Oxidative deamination of aminoacids provides ammonia, oxoacid and hydrogen peroxide



Xanthinoxidase produces hydrogen peroxide



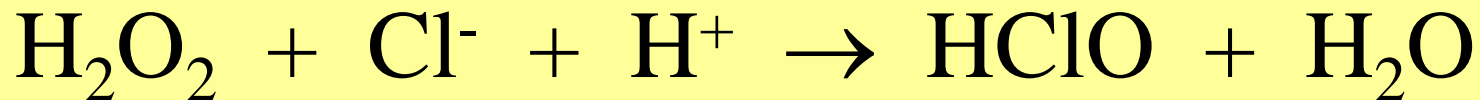
Majority of tissues, mainly livers

Compare: reduction of dioxygen

Reduction type	Partial reaction (redox pair)
Four electron	$O_2 + 4 e^- + 4 H^+ \rightarrow 2 H_2O$
One electron	$O_2 + e^- \rightarrow \cdot O_2^-$
Two uelectron	$O_2 + 2 e^- + 2 H^+ \rightarrow H_2O_2$

Hypochlorous acid HClO

- Formed in neutrophilic granulocytes from hydrogen peroxide and chloride anion
- Reaction is catalyzed by myeloperoxidase
- HClO has **strong oxidative** and bactericidal effects

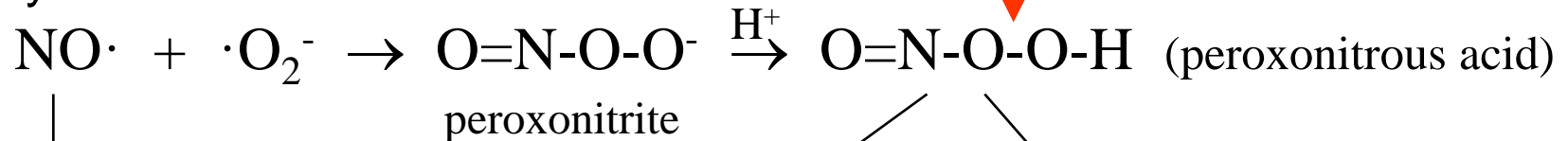


- Damage of biomolecules:
- Damage of proteins (transforms Met to Met sulphoxide, chloration of Tyr to form 3-chlorotyrosine, damage of -SH group of membrane proteins)
- Chloration of DNA bases (especially pyrimidines)
- Oxidation of thiols, ascorbate and NADPH

Nitric oxide NO· formation from arginine

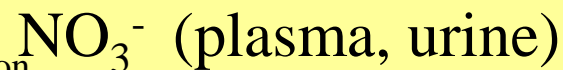
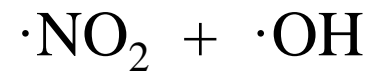
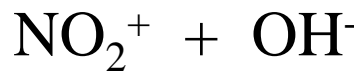
has 1 free electron, free radical

- Free diffusion between cells 1-10s, in blood caught by erythrocytes, produced by NO synthase: nNOS, eNOS, iNOS
- Exogenous sources: medicaments, vasodilatation
- Phys. function (vasodilatation, neurotransmitter, macrophages-bactericidal effect)
- NO· binds to guanylate cyclase \Rightarrow cGMP \Rightarrow relaxation of smooth muscles (especially vessels) and other effects...
- NO· is radical and provides other reactive metabolites: formation of peroxynitrite and others RNS and nitrosothiols

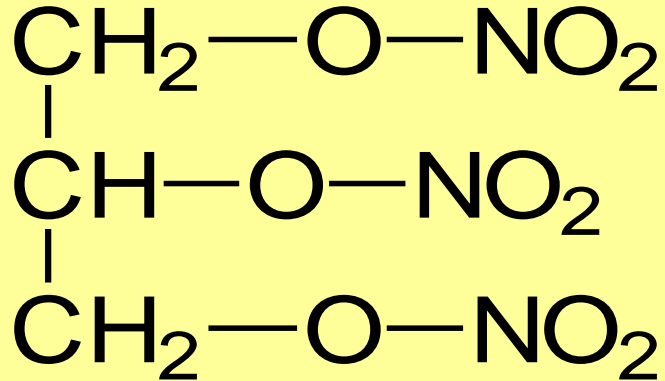


nitrosylation

tyrosine
nitration



NO releasing compounds



glycerol trinitrate (glyceroli trinitras)

yellowish oily liquid

classic medicament, fast action

sublingual tablet, spray, plaster

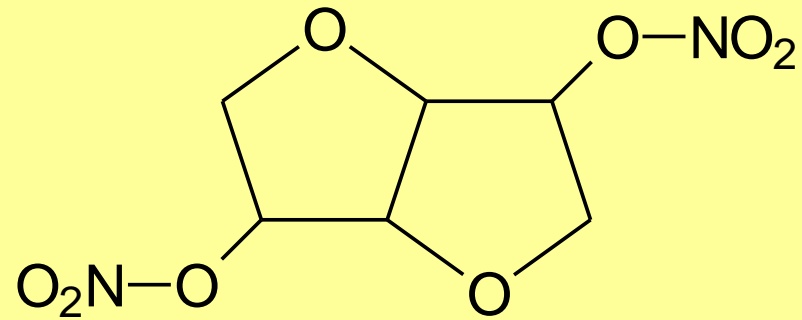


sodium nitroprusside (natrii nitroprussias)

disodium pentacyanonitrosylferrate

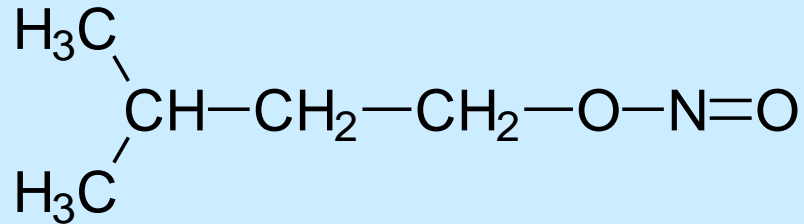
ruby red crystals

extremely efficient, i.v. infusion



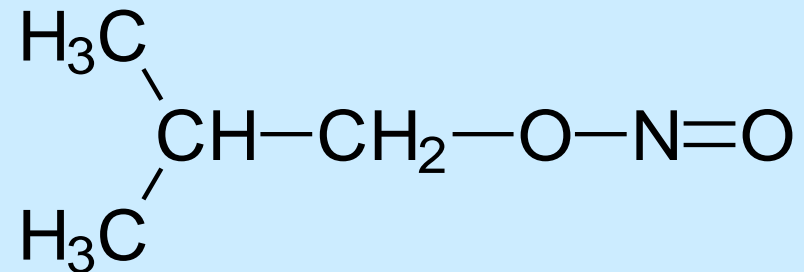
isosorbide dinitrate (isosorbidi dinitras)

more advantageous pharmacokinetic properties



amyl-nitrite (amylis nitris)

volatile liquid, inhalation use



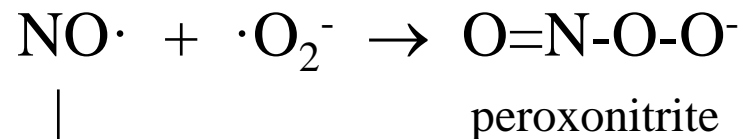
isobutyl-nitrite

volatile liquid, new drug

poppers, rush, liquid aroma ...

Peroxynitrite ONOO-

- Strong cytotoxic oxidation agents
- Toxic effects:
 - Deplexation of –SH groups and other antioxidants
 - Oxidation of lipids
 - DNA breaks, nitration and deamination of DNA bases (G)
 - Nitration of aromatic AA (Tyr, Phe, Trp) 3-nitrotyrosine (inaktivation of enzymes, interference with signal transduction)
 - Oxidation of Met to sulphoxide



nitrosylation

Sulphurous radicals

- In vivo –SH –antioxidants, but thiols can be source of free radicals as well
- Formation of thiol radicals GS.
- Formation of potential cytotoxic radicals

Exogenous causes of free radicals formation

- Ultraviolet or ionizing radiation (UV light, γ radiation, X- ray)
- Smoking
- Air pollution
- Intoxication (PCB, CL4, chloroform, alcohol)
- Food (thermal processing, crushing, light influence)

Endogenous causes of free radicals formation

- Reaction catalyzed by XOD (injuries, necrosis)
- Decay of phagocytes and macrophages (inflammations, sepsis, burns)
- Synthesis of prostaglandins
- Hyperglycemia
- Reperfusion after previous ischemia (oxygen debt)

Function of free radicals in healthy organism

I Tool of oxidases and oxygenases

- *cytochromoxidase* (toxic intermediates, H_2O_2 and superoxides, bound to enzymes)

(mitochondrial respiratory chain)

- *monooxygenases* (oxygenases with mixed function) - activate O_2 in liver ER or in gland mitochondria; hydroxylation

(cytochrome P450, oxidation of wide range of substrates using O_2 , liver P450- metabolism of xenobiotics)

I Tool of oxidases and oxygenases

- **Xanthinoxidase (XOD)** –oxidation of xanthinu to uric acid
- **Proline and lysinehydroxylases** (hydroxylate Pro and Lys in colagen synthesis)
- **Tyrosinehydroxylase** (hydroxylates Tyr, begining of synthesis of dopamine, adrenaline, noradrenaline)

Synthesis of thyroid gland hormones

-Thyreoperoxidase

Oxidation of I- to I₂ by hydrogen peroxide ---mono and di iodotyrosine, thyroxine T₄, triiodothyronine

T₃

Ovum fertilization

Sperm

Disruption of ovum membrane during penetration – O_2 - production.

Ovum

Prevention of other sperms penetration – production of H_2O_2 ..formation of transverse bonds in membrane

Function of free radicals in healthy organism

II

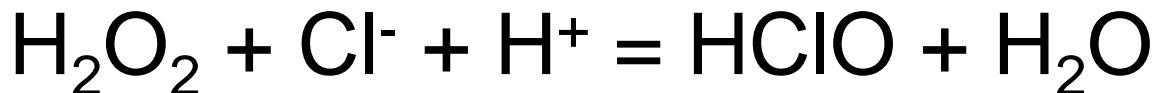
ROS and RNS against bacteria, phagocytosis

Form of protection against extraneous particles and microorganisms

Macrophages, neutrophils, NK cells

Enzymes participating in disabling of absorbed microorganisms in phagocyte

- enzyme complex *NADPH-oxidase* of leukocytes and macrophages (respiratory inflammation)
- *myeloperoxidase* – catalysis of reaction



- *iNOS: NADPH* ^{12B-biological oxidation} dependent (*Arg-Citrulin..NO*) ⁴²

Function of free radicals in healthy organism III

- **signal molecules**

primary messenger \Rightarrow secondary messenger \Rightarrow info net

- *redox state of cell influences **function** of that net*

- *redox state*: capacity of antioxidative system, accesibility of reduction equivalents, intensity of oxidation load (RONS)

\Rightarrow ROS: **secondary** messengers

\Rightarrow NO (neurotransmitter, vascular endotel-relaxation vascular walls, NO in phagocytizing cells)

Immune protection vs. regulation

massive production of ROS as a tool of
immune *protection*

X

Induction of changes in low ROS levels,
which are probably *regulatory*
mechanism

Positive effects of oxygen radicals

- **Intermediates of** oxidase and oxygenase reactions (cyt P-450), during reactions radicals are bound to enzyme so they don't harm surrounding tissues
- **bactericidal effect** of phagocytes, respiratory inflammation (NADPH-oxidase)
- **signal molecules** (primary messengers), proven in $\text{NO}\cdot$ so far, some other radicals are supposed to have similar effects

Oxidative stress

When balance between formation and elimination of RONS is broken,

oxidative stress happens

balance can be broken on **both** sides!!

Causes of oxidative stress formation:

- excessive formation of RONS,
- insufficient activity of antioxidative defense system,
- combination

Damage of lipids - attack to unsaturated FA

Peroxidation of lipids

- Chain reaction
- **enzyme peroxidations of lipids** (synthesis of prostanoids, leukotrienes, active center of hydro- and endoperoxidases (COX and lipoxygenases)
- **non-enzyme peroxidations of lipids** – pathological process, intermediates of lipoperoxidation, binding to proteins, influence of fluidity

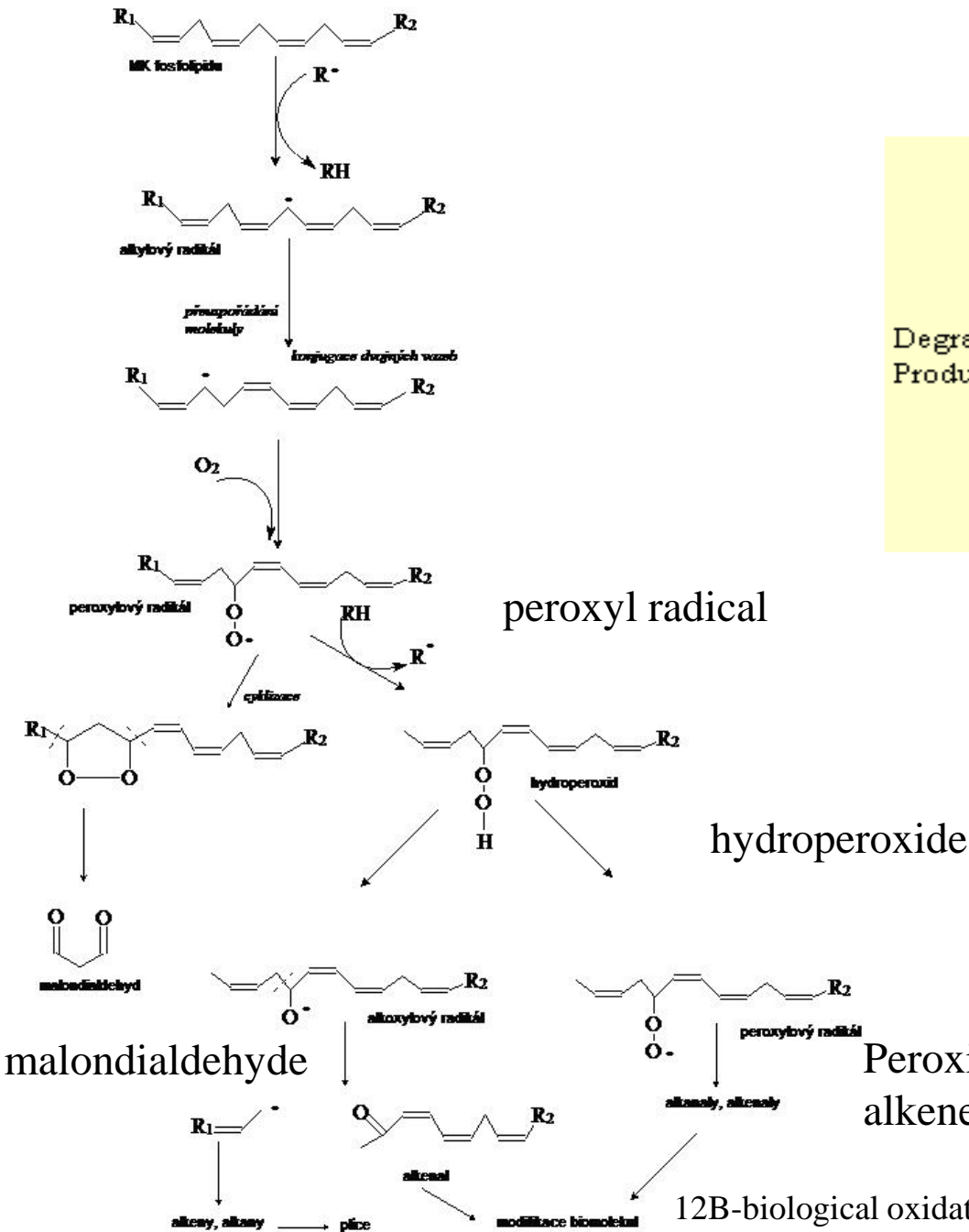
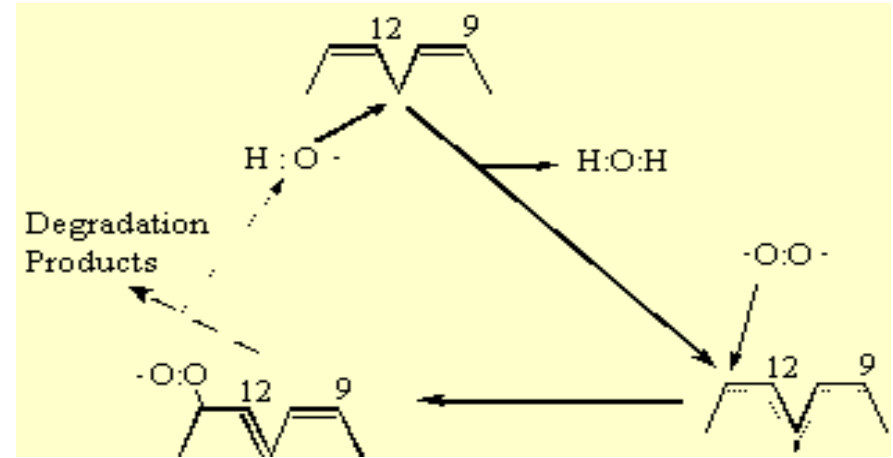
Damage

- loss of multiple bonds
- Formation of reactive metabolites (aldehydes)

Effect

- change of fluidity, permeability of membranes
- effect to membrane bound enzymes

Peroxidation of linoleic acid



Peroxide radical– alkanals, alkenes....modification, lungs

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Damage of proteins

Direct damage of proteins by RONS influence

-oxidation, hydroxylation, nitration, chloration AA, no chain reaction

Indirect damage of proteins by products of lipid peroxidation

-alkoxyl and peroxy radicals

Malondialdehyde and 4-hydroxynonenal, formation of transverse bonds between neighbouring chains, formation of carbonyl compounds

Damage

- aggregation and networking,
- fragmentation and cleavage
- reaction with heme Fe
- modification of functional groups

Consequence

- changes in ion transport
- changes in activity of enzymes
- proteolysis, activation of proteases and phospholipases by Ca²⁺ accumulation in cytosol
- formation of new antigen determinants with subsequent autoimmune reactions

DNA damage

- **Hydroxylation of purine bases**
 - 8-hydroxyadenin, 8-hydroxyG, 8-oxoG, FapyG, FapyA
- **Hydroxylation of pyrimidine bases**
 - thyminglycol, uracilglycol,...
- **Hydroxylation of carbohydrate residues**
 - oxidation and fragmentation – releasing of bases, interruption of DNA chain and malondialdehyde formation

Damage

- cleavage of carbohydrate cycle
- modification of bases
- breaks of chain

Consequence

- mutation
- translation errors
- Inhibition of proteosynthesis
- missmatching

Damage of biomolecules

Compound	Damage	Consequences
Lipids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - oxidation of PUFA (loss of double bonds) -formation of reactive compounds (aldehydes and ROO·) -oxidation of cholesterol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - change in membrane permeability - damage of membr. enzymes, proteins - change in membrane fluidity
Proteins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - modification of -SH and phenyl (arom.) AA - Formation of transverse bonds between chains-networking and aggregation - fragmentation + cleavage 	<p>changes in ion transport Ca^{2+} enter to cytosol changes in activity of enzymes formation of new antigen determinants activation of proteases and phospholipases</p>
DNA	<p>modification and cleavage of deoxyribose modification of bases breaks of chain formation of transverse bond between DNA a protein chains</p>	<p>mutations mismatches translation errors inhibition of proteosynthesis</p>

How can we quantify oxidative stress?

Detection of free radicals

- quite difficult because of phys. chem. properties

Measuring of oxidative stress products

- simpler, wide range of oxidative stress markers

Markers of oxidative stress

Appraisal of lipoperoxidation:

malondialdehyde (MDA), conjugated dienes,
isoprostans

Appraisal of protein damage:

protein hydroperoxides

appraisal of DNA damage:

determination of modified nucleosides
(8-oxoG)

Determination of antioxidants

ascorbate

tocopherol

SOD

GSHPx

glutathion

Diseases connected to oxidative stress

Neurologic

Alzheimer disease

Parkinson disease

Endocrine

Diabetes

Gastrointestinal

Acute pankreatitis

Vascular

Atherosclerosis

Other

Obesity

Organe transplantation, cancer, biological oxidation

Antioxidative protective system

Three types of protection

- *inhibition* of excessive RONS production
- *capture* and elimination of radicals (catcher)
- *reparative* mechanisms of damaged biomolecules

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Summary of FR antioxidants and catchers

1. Endogenous antioxidants

- *enzyme* (cytochrome c, SOD, GSHPx, catalase)
- *non-enzyme*
 - membrane (α -tocoferol, β -carotene, coenzyme Q₁₀)
 - non-membrane (ascorbate, urates, transferine, bilirubin)

2. Exogenous antioxidants

- *inhibitors of FR formation* (regulation of enzyme activity)
- *scavengers of formed FR* (enzymes, non-enzymes)
- *trace elements* (Se, Zn)

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Antioxidative systems of organism

1. Enzymes (endogenous)

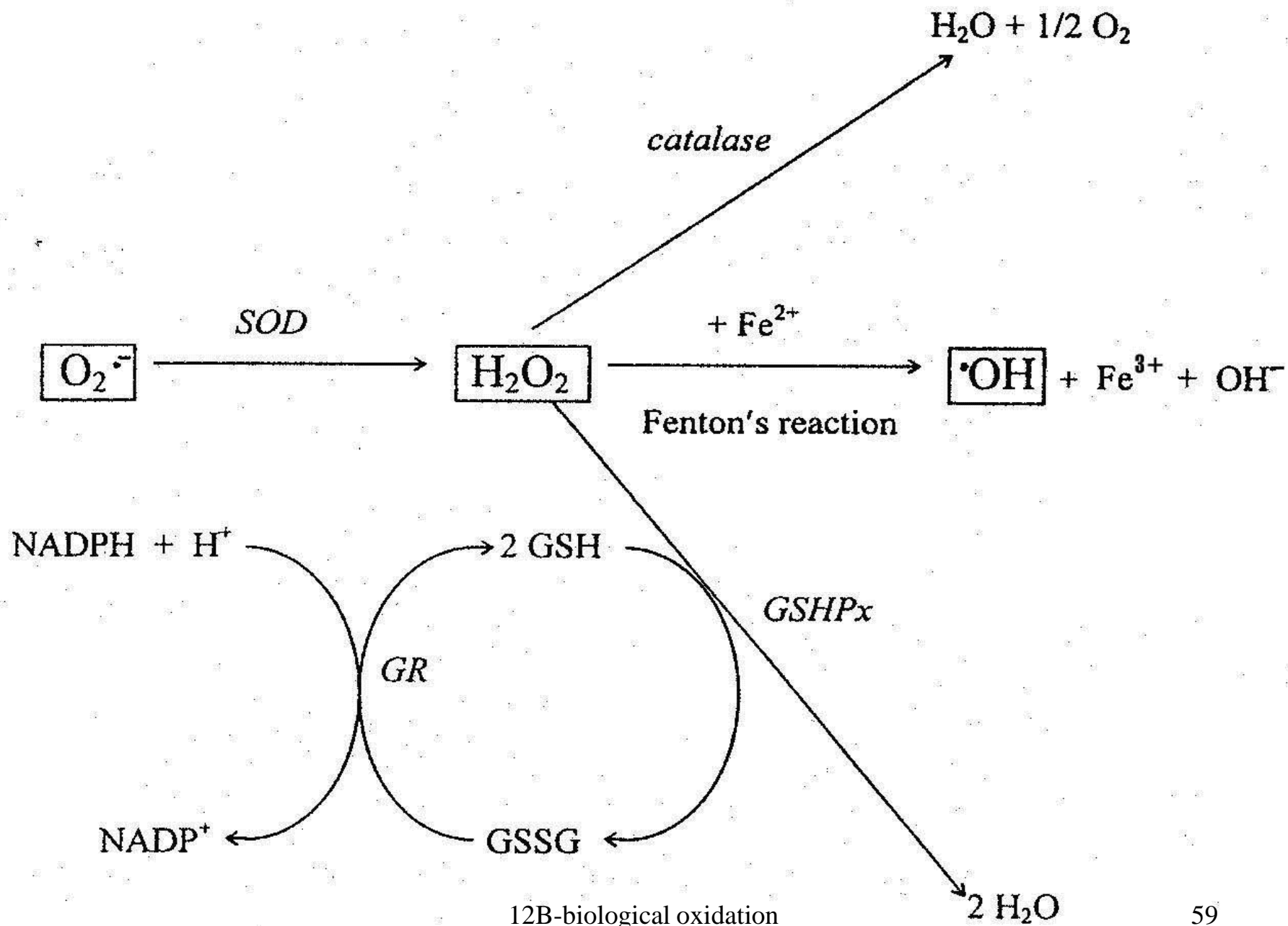
superoxide dismutase, catalase, glutathionperoxidase

2. high molecular weight antioxidants (endogenous)

transferrin, ferritin, ceruloplasmin,... bind free metal ions

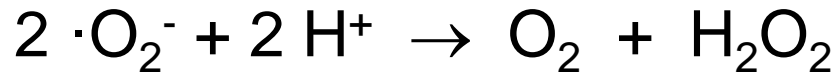
3. low molecular weight antioxidants (exogenous, endogenous)

- reducing compounds with phenol -OH (tocoferol, flavonoids, urate)
- reducing compounds with enolo -OH (ascorbate)
- reducing compounds with -SH group (glutathion, dihydrolipoate)
- compounds with extensive system of konjugated double bonds (carotenoides)



Superoxide dismutase

- present in every cell, phylogenetically very old enzyme
- catalyse dismutation of superoxide



- oxidation numbers of oxygen in reaction: $(-1/2) \rightarrow (0) + (-I)$

two isoforms: SOD1 (Cu, Zn, cytosol), *dimer*, Cu = *redox center*
cytosol, intermitochondrial space, hepatocyte, brain, erythrocyte,
high permeability, catalysis at pH 4,5-9,5

- SOD2 (Mn, mitochondria), *tetramer*, mitochondrial matrix, lower stability than Cu, Zn – SOD, phylogenetically younger

Elimination of H₂O₂ in organism

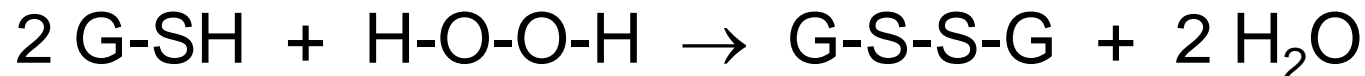
- **catalase** present in erythrocytes

disproportionation H₂O₂, $H_2O_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} O_2 + H_2O$, at high levels of H₂O₂

detoxication of alkylperoxides : $H_2O_2 + ROOH \rightarrow O_2 + H_2O + ROH$

- **glutathion peroxidase** (elimination of interacellular hydroperoxides)
- contains selenocystein, second substrate - glutathion (G-SH) reduces H₂O₂ and hydroperoxides of phospholipides (ROOH)

detoxication of hydrogen peroxide, GSSG reduces to GSH using glutathionreductase



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Glutathionperoxidases

eliminate intracellular hydroperoxides and H_2O_2



- *cytosol GSH – glutathion peroxidase* (EC 1.11.1.9, cGPx)
- *extracellular GSH – glutathion peroxidase* (eGSHPx)
- *phospholipidhydroperoxide GSH - peroxidase* (EC 1.11.1.12, PHGPx)

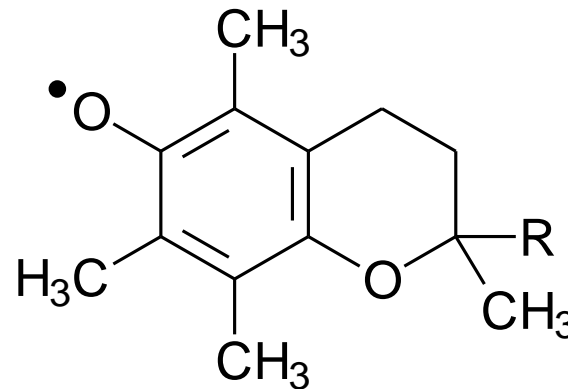
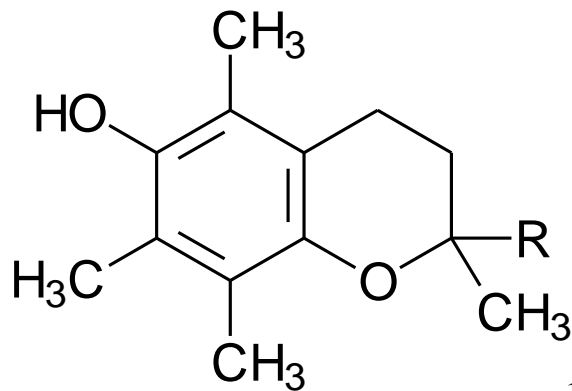
Low molecular weight antioxidants

Lipophilic	Hydrophilic
Tocopherol	L-ascorbate
Carotenes	Flavonoids
- Lycopene	Dihydrolipoate ^a
- Lutein	Glutathion ^a
Ubiquinol ^a	Urci acid ^a

^a Endogenous compounds.

Tocopherol

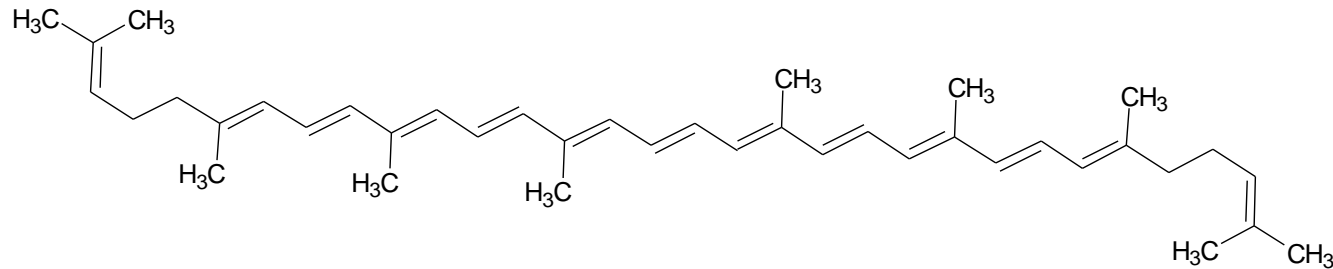
- Lipophilic antioxidant of cell membranes and lipoproteins
- Reduces peroxy radicals of phospholipids to hydroperoxides, which are further reduced by GSH, tocopherol oxidises to stable radical
- $\text{PUFA-O-O}\cdot + \text{Toc-OH} \rightarrow \text{PUFA-O-O-H} + \text{Toc-O}\cdot$
- $\text{Toc-O}\cdot$ partially reduces to Toc-OH by ascorbate to GSH (phare interface)
- $\text{Toc-O}\cdot + \text{ascorbate} \rightarrow \text{Toc-OH} + \text{semidehydroascorbate}$



Carotenoides

- Carotenoides are polyisoprenoid carbohydrates (tetraterpens)
- Eliminate peroxy radicals while changing themselves to stable carotene radical
- Are able to quench (deexcitate) singlet oxygen
- Sources in food: leaf vegetable, yellow, orange and red coloured vegetable and fruit
- The most efficient antioxidant is **lycopene**, present in some food, **mainly tomatos** and their products (ketchup, puree) – je thermally stable
- High intake of lycopene in the Mediterranean

Contain of lycopene in food (mg/100 g)

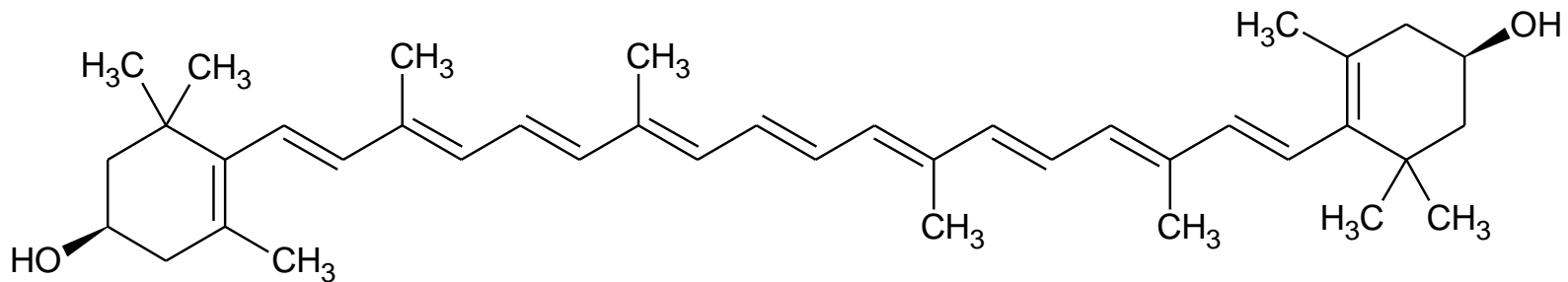


Tomato puree	10-150
Ketchup	10-14
Tomato juice/sauce	5-12
Melon	2-7
Papaya fresh	2-5
Tomatos fresh	1-4
Apricot compote	~ 0,06
Apricot fresh	~ 0,01

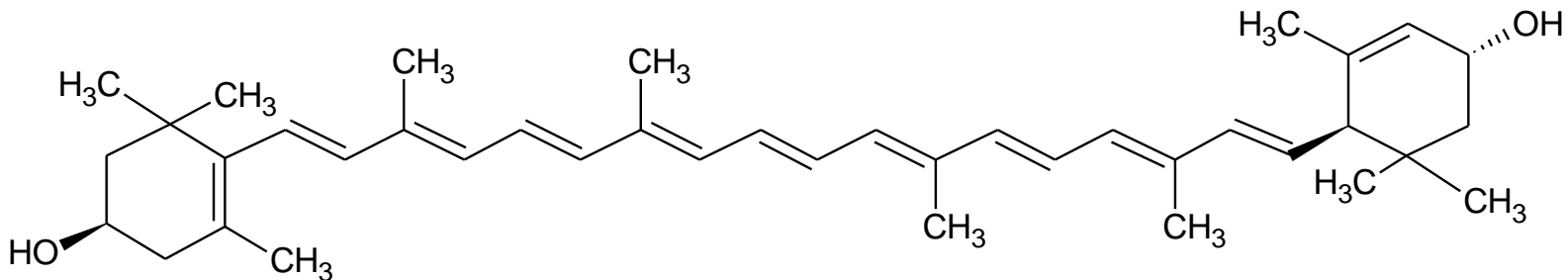
For lycopene effective release and absorption is suitable to cook tomatoes and consume with oil

Zeaxanthine and luteine

- belong to xanthophylls, oxygenic derivatives of carotenoids
- differs in double bond location and number of chiral centers
- present especially in green leaf vegetable
- present in yellow spot (macula lutea) and protects it from degeneration



zeaxanthine (two chiral centers)



luteine (three chiral centers)

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Ubiquinol (QH₂)

- Present in every membrane
- Endogenous synthesis of interstitial mikroflóra from tyrosine and farnesyl diphosphate (turn in cholesterol biosynthesis)
- Exogenous sources: sprout oil, liver, meat
- Reduced form of QH₂ helps in tocoferol regeneration
- $\text{Toc-O}\cdot + \text{QH}_2 \rightarrow \text{Toc-OH} + \cdot\text{QH}$

L-Ascorbate (vitamine C)

- Cofactor of proline hydroxylation (colagene synthesis)
- Cofactor (reductant) of dopamine to noradrenaline hydroxylation
- Strong reduction agent ($\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}$, $\text{Cu}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Cu}^{+}$)
- Facilitates Fe absorption from food
- Reduces radicals $\cdot\text{OH}$, $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$, $\text{HO}_2\cdot$, $\text{ROO}\cdot$, ...
- Regenerates tocoferol radical
- Eliminates to oxalate !!
- Excessive ascorbate has prooxidative effects:

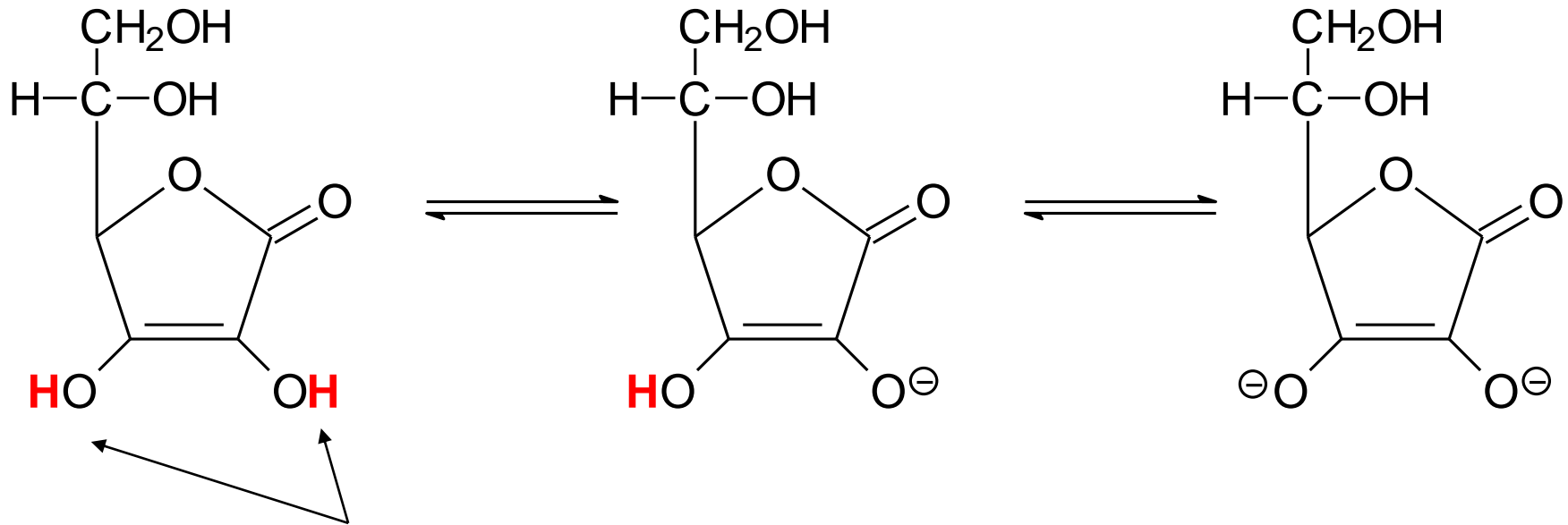
Fe^{2+} a Cu^{+} catalyse formation of hydroxyl radical



L-Ascorbic is diprotic acid

$$pK_{A1} = 4,2$$

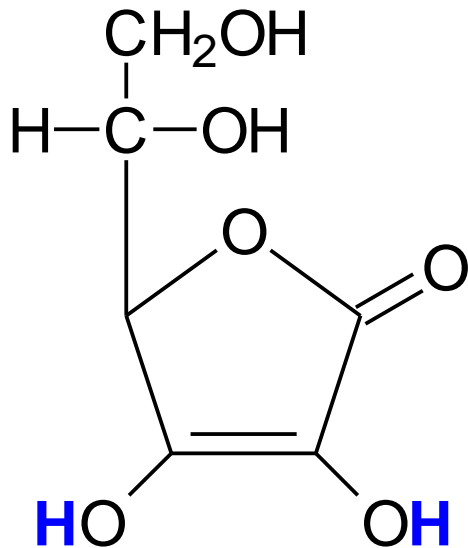
$$pK_{A2} = 11,6$$



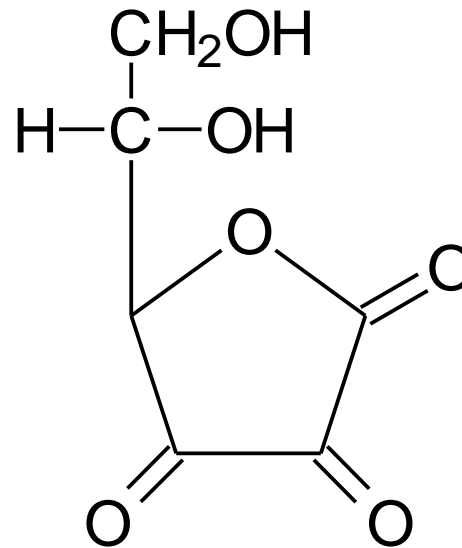
two enol hydroxyls

Two conjugated pairs:
ascorbic acid / hydrogenascorbate
hydrogenascorbate / ascorbate

L-Ascorbic acid has reduction effects



ascorbic acid
(reduced form)



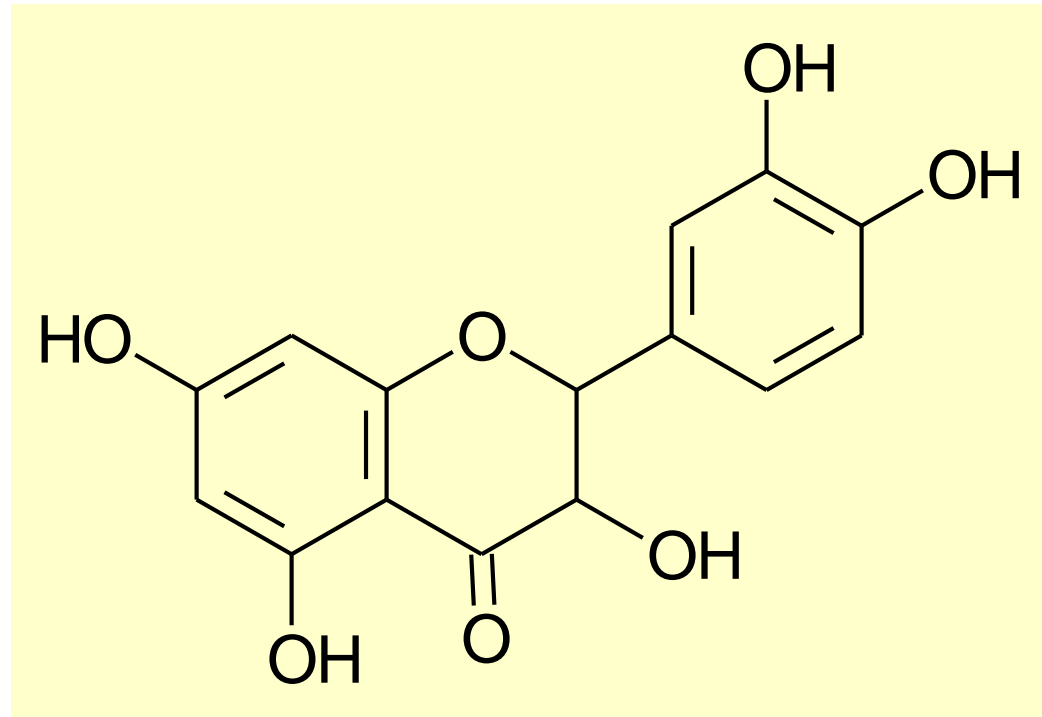
dehydroascorbic acid
(oxidized form)

Flavonoids and other polyphenols

- Ubiquitary spread in plants, most common reduction compounds in our food
- Total intake is about 1 g (much higher than vitamins)
- Derivates of chromane (benzopyrane) contain many phenol hydroxyls
- Main representative is **quercetin**
- reduce free radicals while are transformed to little reactive phenoxyl radicals
- Chelate metal ions (Fe^{2+} , Cu^+) preventing them from participating in Fenton's reaction

Main sources of flavonoids and other polyphenols

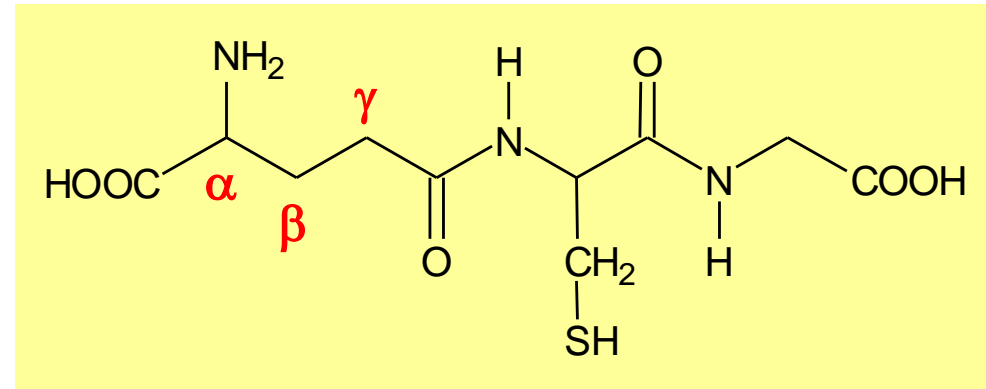
- vegetable (especially onion)
- fruit (apples, citruses, grapes)
- green, black tea
- cocoa, chocolate
- olive oil (Extra Virgin)
- red wine



quercetin

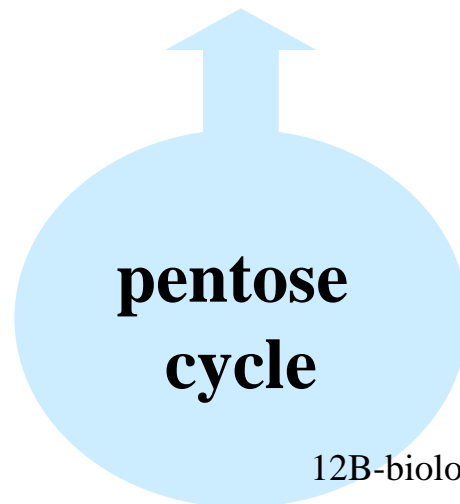
Glutathion (GSH)

- tripeptid
- γ -glutamylcysteinylglycine
- produced in every cell
- reduction agent (-SH)
- reduced H_2O_2 and ROOH (glutathion peroxidase)
- reduces different oxygen radicals
- regenerates -SH groups of proteins and coenzyme A
- participates in tocoferol and ascorbate regeneration



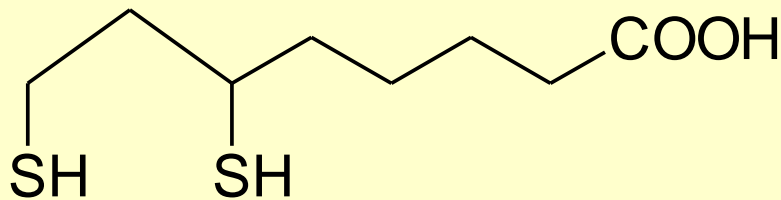
Regeneration of GSH reduced form

- fluent regeneration of glutathion (GSH) reduced form must be ensured
- **Glutathion reductase**, important in erythrocytes
- $\text{GSSG} + \text{NADPH} + \text{H}^+ \rightarrow 2 \text{GSH} + \text{NADP}^+$

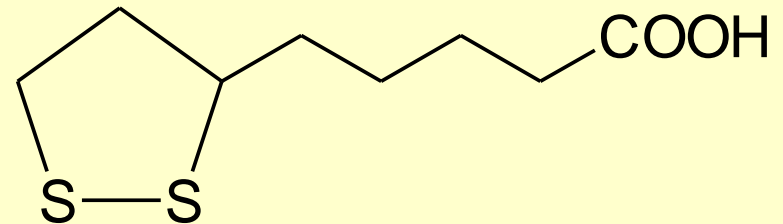


Dihydrolipoate

- cofactor of oxidative decarboxylation of pyruvate and 2-oxoglutarate
- reduces many radicals (mechanism is unknown)
- participates in tocoferol regeneration
- therapeutic using (acidum thiocticum) – diabetic neuropathy



dihydrolipoate
(reduced form)



lipoate
(oxidized form)

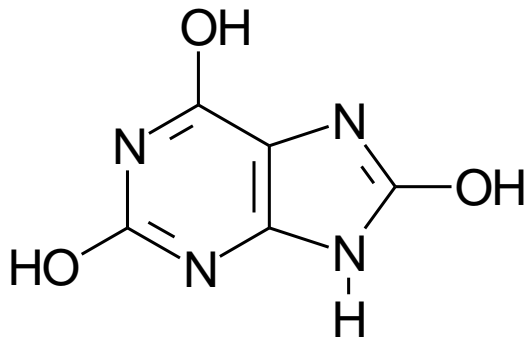
Uric acid

- Final catabolite of purine bases, diprotic acid
- In tubules resorbed from 90 %
- **The most common antioxidant of blood plasma
(150-400 $\mu\text{mol/l}$)**
- Significant reduction effects, reduces $\text{RO}\cdot$ radicals
- Binds Fe and Cu cations

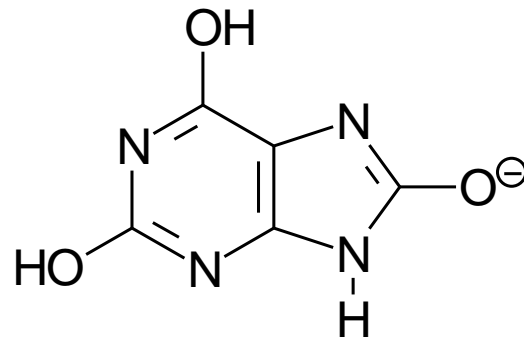
Lactim form of uric acid is diprotic acid

$$pK_{A1} = 5,4$$

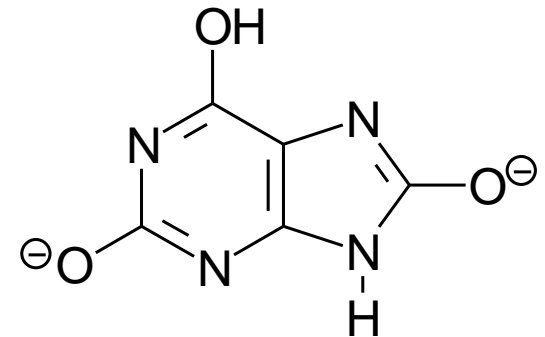
$$pK_{A2} = 10,3$$



uric acid



hydrogenurate



urate

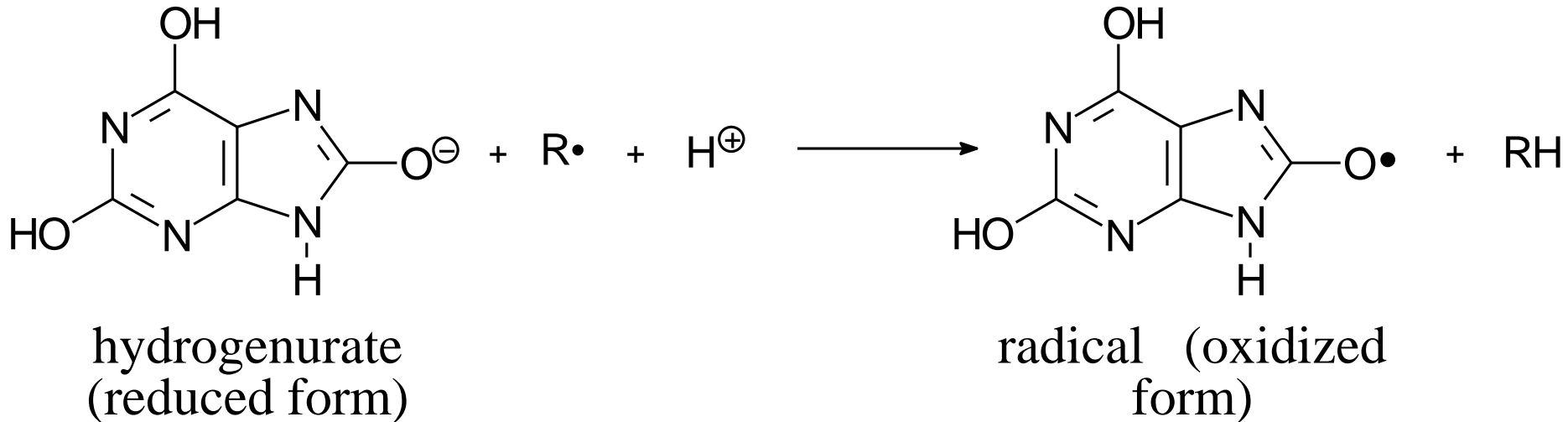
2,6,8-trihydroxypurine

Reduction effects of uric acid

Compare concentrations in blood plasma:

Ascorbate: 10 - 100 $\mu\text{mol/l}$

Urate: 200 - 420 $\mu\text{mol/l}$



hydrogenurate cleaves one electron

$R\cdot$ is for example $\cdot\text{OH}$, superoxide, ...

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different
transformations

High molecular weight antioxidants

- Bind ions of transition metals, change their oxidation state and prevent their participation in radical reactions
- Ferroxidase activity- mobilization of Fe intracellular reserves
- **Transport proteins** (transferrin, lactoferrin, ceruloplasmin)
- **Reserve proteins** (ferritin, hemosiderine, neuromelanine), haptoglobine, hemopexine
- **Proteins containing large amount of thiol groups** (metalothioneins, albumine)

Trace elements affecting FR

Selenium

affects vit. E resorption, part of selenoproteins

↓ Se = insufficient immune response, hemolysis of erythrocytes, synthesis of methemoglobine

Zinc

stabilization of cell membranes, amplification of immune response, Fe antagonist

