

# PATHOPHYSIOLOGY AND MECHANISMS OF RADIOPHARMACEUTICAL LOCALIZATION



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# The mechanisms of radioisotope localization

1. Isotope dilution **In vivo, MUGA, RBC scan**
2. Capillary blockade **MAA lung perfusion**
3. Physicochemical adsorption **MDP bone scan**
4. Cellular migration and sequestration **WBC scan, denatured RBC spleen scan**
5. Membrane transport **Xe-133 ventilation**
  - Simple diffusion
    - Diffusion and intracellular metabolism/binding **HMPAO/ECD brain perfusion scan**
    - Diffusion and mitochondrial binding **Tc-99m MIBI**
    - Diffusion and increased capillary and plasma membrane permeability **Gallium**
  - Facilitated diffusion **FDG, IDA derivatives**
  - Active transport **Radioiodine, pertechnetate, TlCl, Rb +**
  - Phagocytosis **SC**
  - Receptor-mediated endocytosis **Gallium**
6. Metabolic Substrates and Precursors **FDG**
  - Precursors: Radiolabeled Amino Acids **Amino acids**
7. Tissue Hypoxia **F-MISO**
8. Cell Proliferation
9. Specific Receptor Binding
  - Radiolabeled Peptides
  - Steroid Hormone Receptors
  - Adrenergic Presynaptic Receptors and Storage



# Cell Proliferation

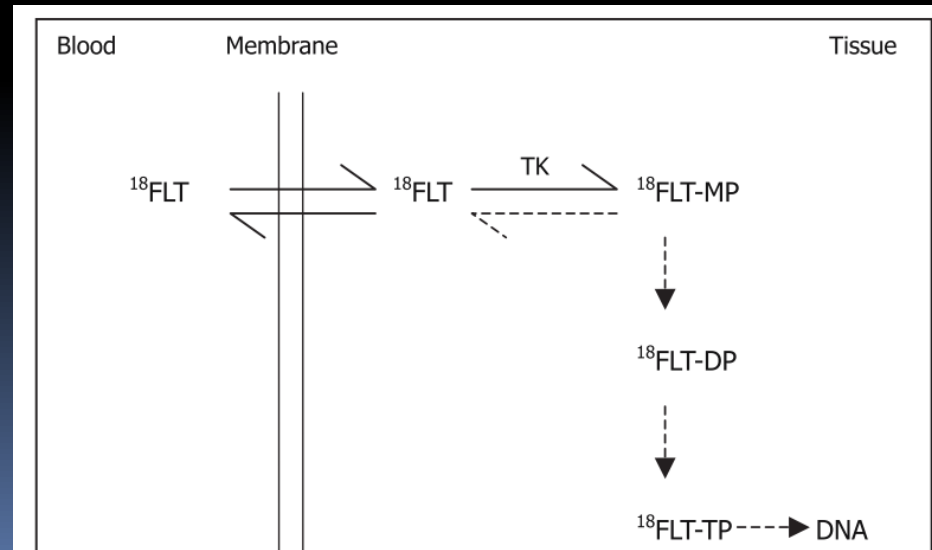
- Increased mitotic rate, cell proliferation, and lack of differentiation... main factors of malignant tissue
  - Growth rate of tumors correlates with their level of differentiation
  - Increased requirement of substrates (nucleotides) for DNA synthesis in tumors
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# 8. Cell proliferation tracers

- **H-3 TdR** (H-3 thymidine)
  - in vitro use (**thymidine labeling index**)
  - Transported into cells by both passive diffusion & facilitated transport by Na<sup>+</sup> dependant carriers
- **C-11 TdR** (C-11 thymidine)
  - PET tracer, used in head & neck tumors
  - But tumor uptake not optimal due to rapid metabolism in blood
- **I-125 IudR** (125 I-5-iodo-2'-deoxyuridine )
  - Analog of thymidine
  - Be phosphorylated and incorporated in DNA

# Cell proliferation tracers

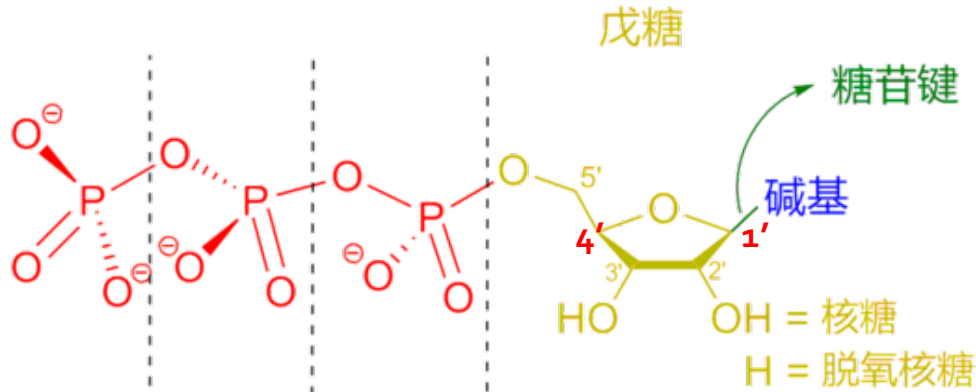
- **F-18 FLT** ( $^{18}\text{F}$ -Fluoro-3'-deoxy-3'-I-fluorothymidine)
  - passive diffusion & facilitated transport by  $\text{Na}^+$  dependant carriers
  - Then, phosphorylated by thymidine kinase 1 (TK1) into FLT-monophosphate  $\rightarrow$  trapped in the cells
  - Using H-3 FLT, it has been shown that FLT is **not** incorporated into DNA because it acts as a chain terminator (due to no 3'-OH group)



Nucleotides(核苷酸): 構成nucleic acids的基本單元

# Structure of nucleotides

\*注意5碳糖碳原子的編號

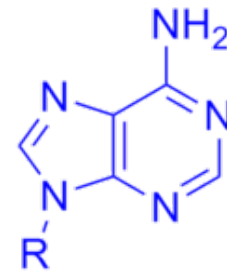


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核苷一磷酸  
核苷二磷酸  
核苷三磷酸

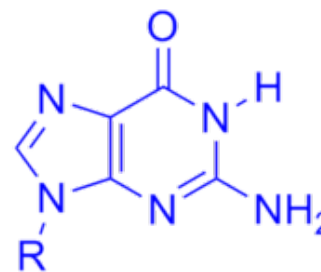
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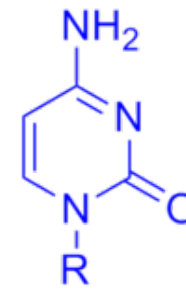


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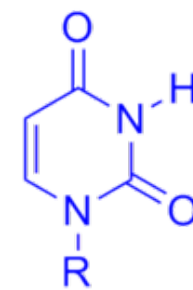


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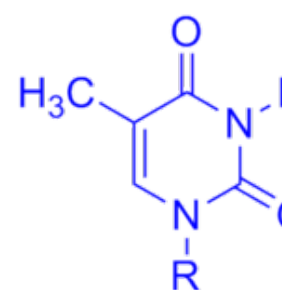
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胞嘧啶



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胸腺嘧啶

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T

From Wikipedia, 核苷酸

Nucleic acid: include RNA & DNA

RNA (ribonucleic acid, 核糖核(苷)酸): GMP, TMP, AMP, CMP

→ 皆為核苷單磷酸，為30種核苷酸中的4種

		核糖+鹼基		單純鹼基	
Nucleotide 核苷酸	Nucleoside 核苷	Nucleobases 含氮鹽基	Adenosine 腺苷	Adenine (A) 腺嘌呤	purine
			Uridine 尿苷;尿嘧啶核苷	Uracil (U) 尿嘧啶	pyrimidine
			Cytidine 胞苷;胞嘧啶核苷	Cytosine (C) 胞嘧啶	pyrimidine
			Guanosine 鳥苷;鳥嘌呤核苷	Guanine (G) 鳥糞嘌呤	purine
		五碳糖(核糖)			
	磷酸根	1 (M)			
		2 (D)			
		3 (T)			

Nucleic acid: include RNA & DNA

DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid, 去氧核糖核(苷)酸): dGMP, dTMP, dAMP, dCMP  
 皆為去氧核苷單磷酸, 為30種核苷酸中的4種

		核糖+鹼基		單純鹼基
Nucleotide (去氧)核苷酸	Nucleoside 核苷	Nucleobases 含氮鹽基	Adenosine 腺苷	Adenine (A) 腺嘌呤 purine
			Thymidine 胸苷; 胸腺嘧啶核苷	Thymine (T) 胸腺嘧啶 pyrimidine
			Cytidine 胞苷; 胞嘧啶核苷	Cytosine (C) 胞嘧啶 pyrimidine
			Guanosine 鳥苷; 鳥嘌呤核苷	Guanine (G) 鳥糞嘌呤 purine
		五碳糖(去氧核糖)		
	磷酸根	1 (M)		
		2 (D)		
		3 (T)		

A=T (A 與T 配對→有二個氫鍵)

G≡C (G 與C 配對→有三個氫鍵)

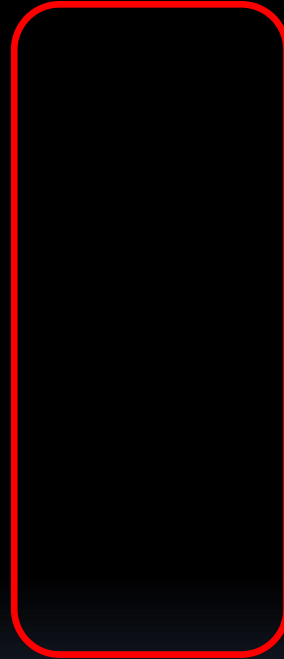
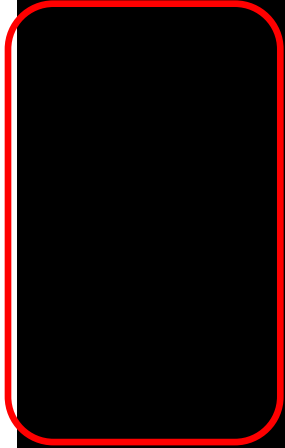
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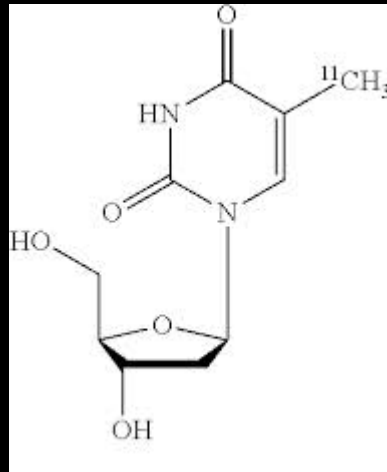


事實上不只核苷單磷酸...

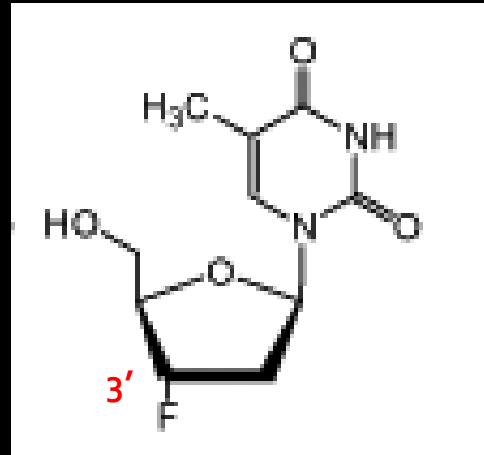
還有核苷二磷酸、核苷三磷酸

還有去氧不去氧 → 共30種核苷酸!

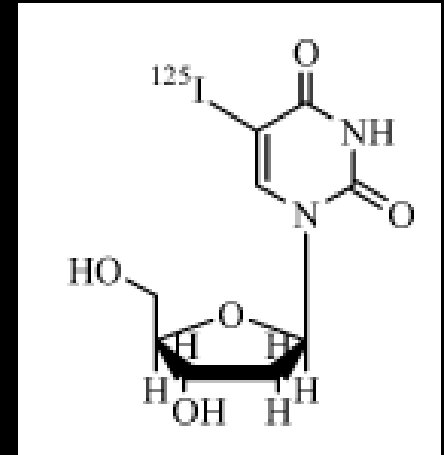




H-3 thymidine



F-18 FLT



I-125 IudR

F-18 FLT 比起F-18 FDG sensitivity較差 (in malignant tumors)的  
可能原因:

1. Substitution in the 3'- position by F → decreased affinity for the pyrimidine transporter compared to thymidine
2. The affinity of FLT for TK is lower than that of thymidine

# 9. Specific Receptor Binding

Receptor binding radioisotopes,  
各種會影響target tissue uptake的因素:

- blood clearance
- Specific activity
- affinity of the tracer
- Immunoreactivity or the relative biological potency
- in vivo stability
- nonspecific binding
- blood flow and perfusion of the tumor tissue

# Specific Receptor Binding

- Radiolabeled Peptides
  - SST receptors
  - VIP receptors
- Steroid Hormone Receptors
- Adrenergic Presynaptic Receptors and Storage
- LDL Receptors
- Radiolabeled Antibodies

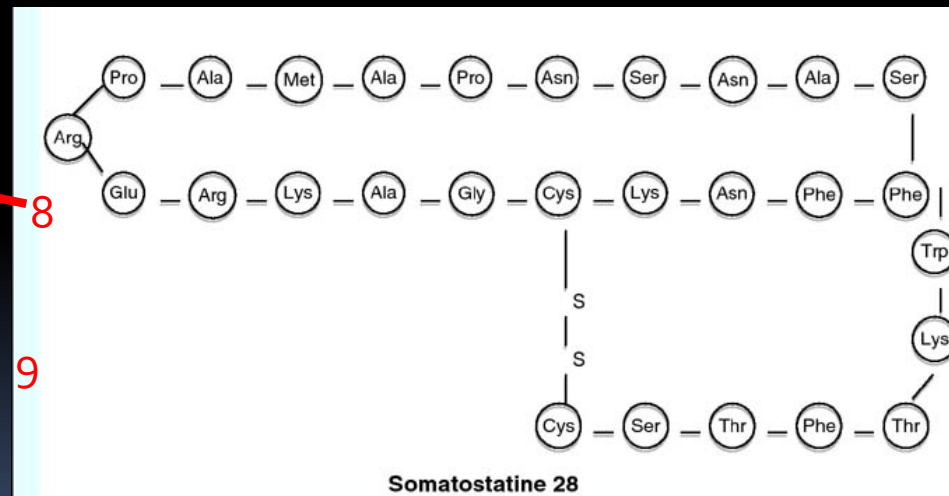
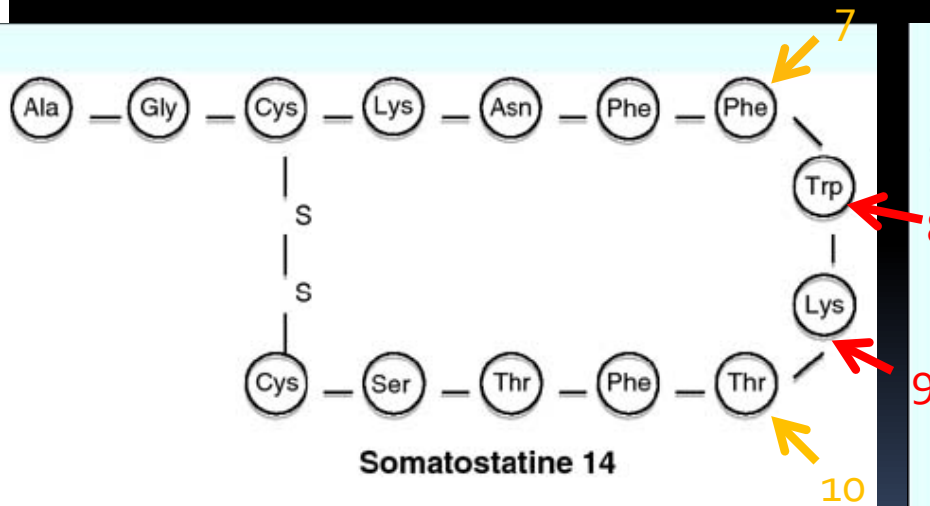
# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

- Somatostatin receptors
  - Somatostatin
  - Somatostatin analogues
  - Radiolabeled SST analogs
- VIP Receptors
  - I-123 VIP

# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## Somatostatin

- SST<sub>14</sub> & SST<sub>28</sub>: two naturally occurring bioactive somatostatin products
- Phe 7, Trp 8, Lys 9, Thr 10: are necessary for biological activity in SST<sub>14</sub>
- Trp and Lys: **essential**; Phe and Thr: **can undergo minor substitutions**



# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## Somatostatin

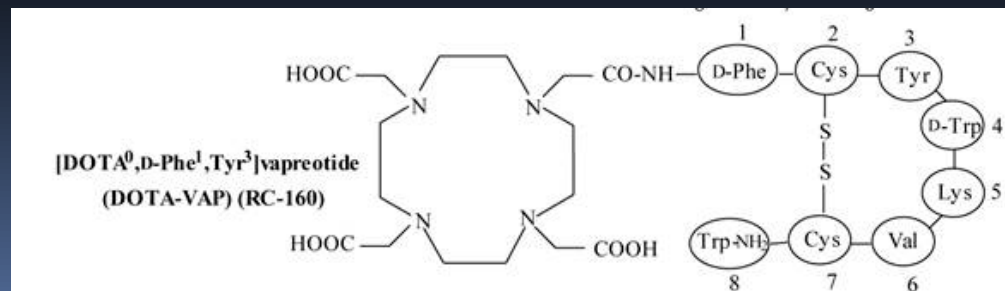
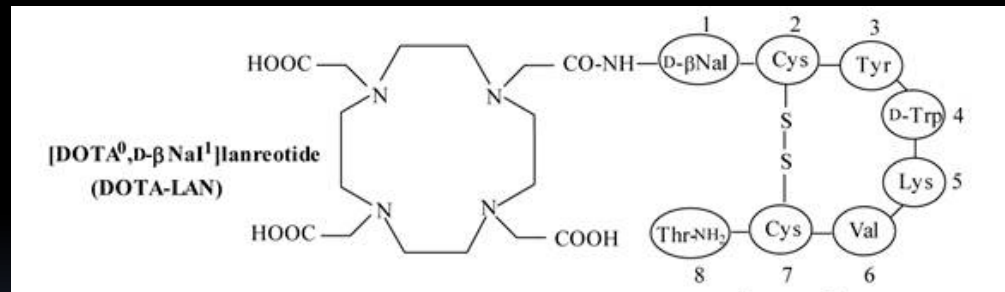
- Secretion: throughout the body
- Function: inhibition of secretion of GH, glucagon, insulin, gastrin, and other hormones by the pituitary and GI tract
- Receptors: G-protein-coupled receptors
  - 5 subtypes: SSTR<sub>1</sub> to SSTR<sub>5</sub>
  - On cells of neuroendocrine origin as well as on lymphocytes
  - Neuroendocrine tumors (small cell lung cancers, and medullary thyroid carcinomas)

# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## Somatostatin analogues

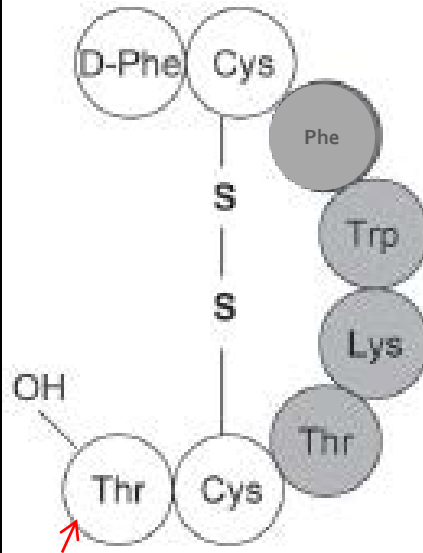
- have greater biological stability than SST 14
- consist of hexapeptide and octapeptide molecules, which incorporate the biologically active core of SST 14

- Seglitide
- Octreotide
- Somatuline
- Lanreotide
  
- RC-160

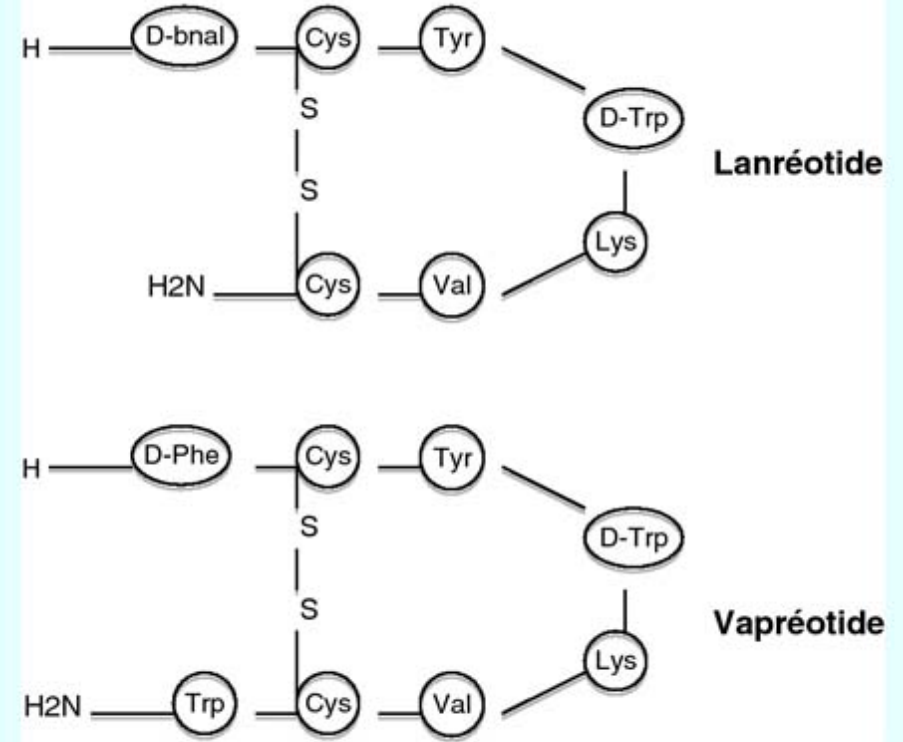
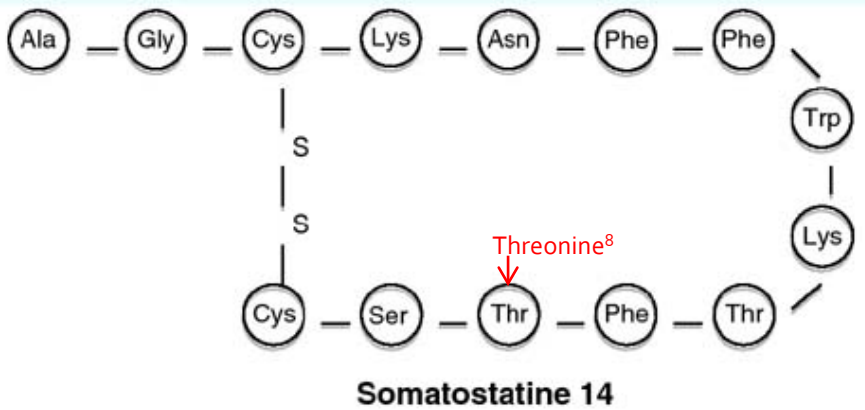
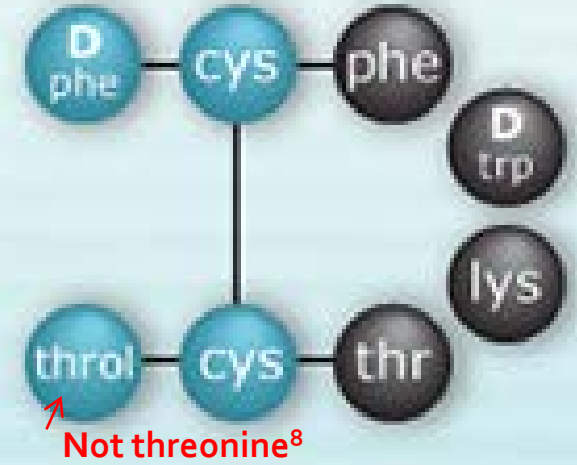




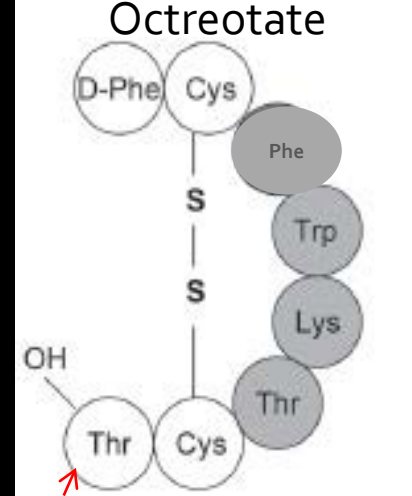
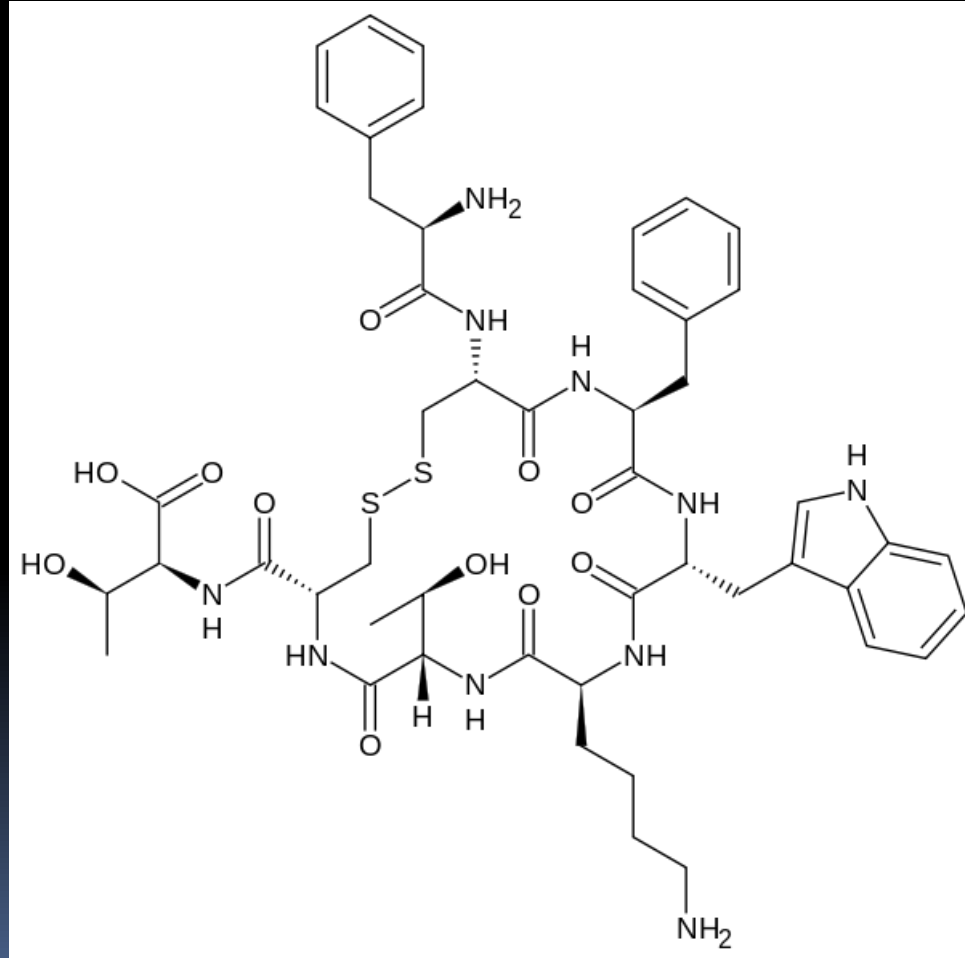
### Octreotate



### Octreotide

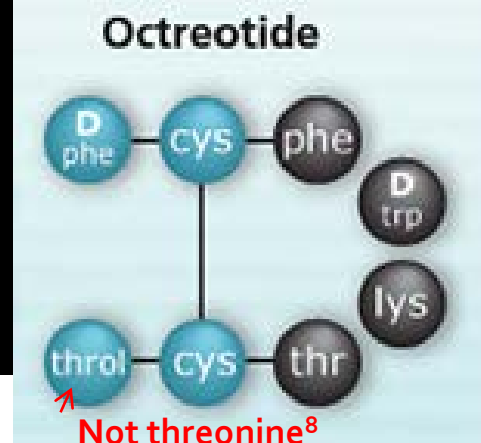


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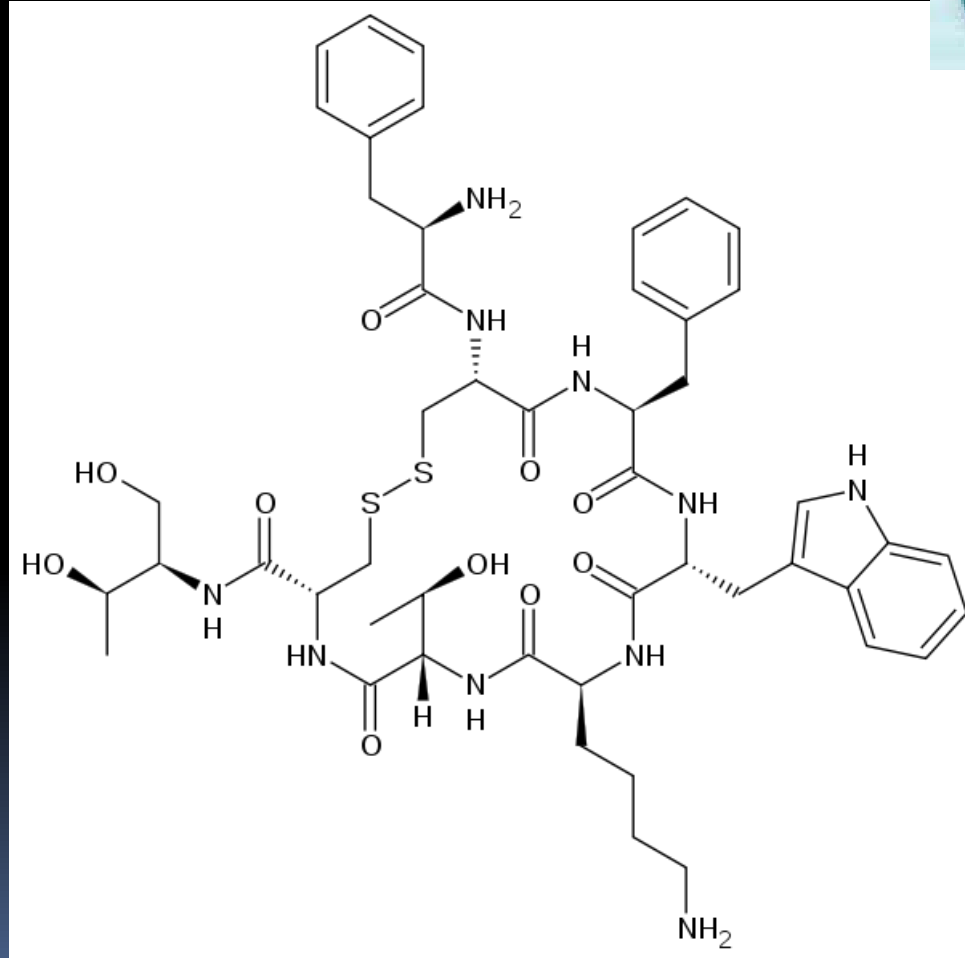


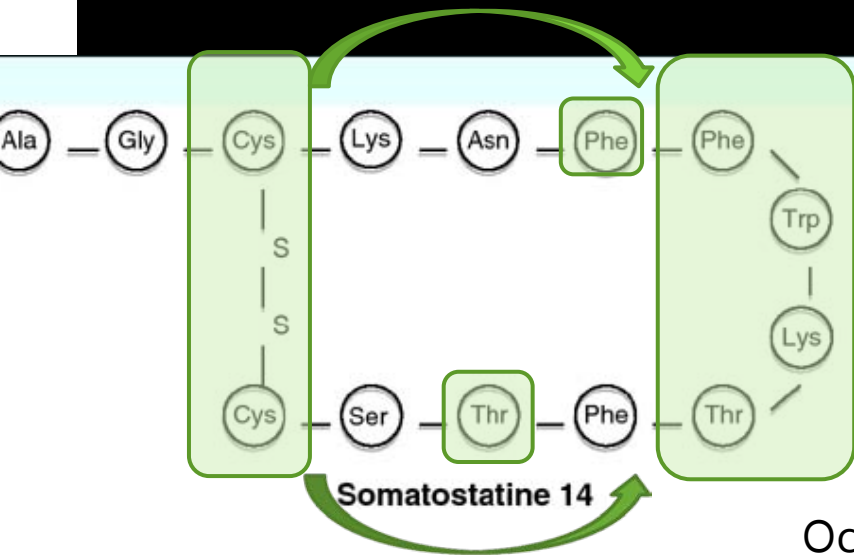
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# Octreotide



Not threonine<sup>8</sup>  
But a reduced amino alcohol



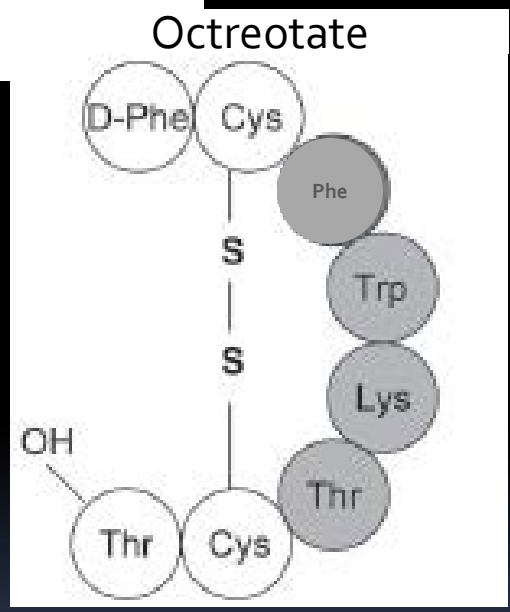


# Somatostatin<sub>14</sub> → Octreotate → DOTATATE

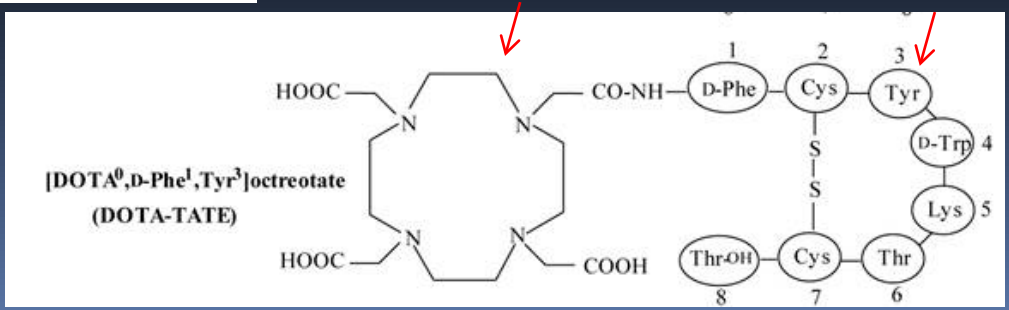
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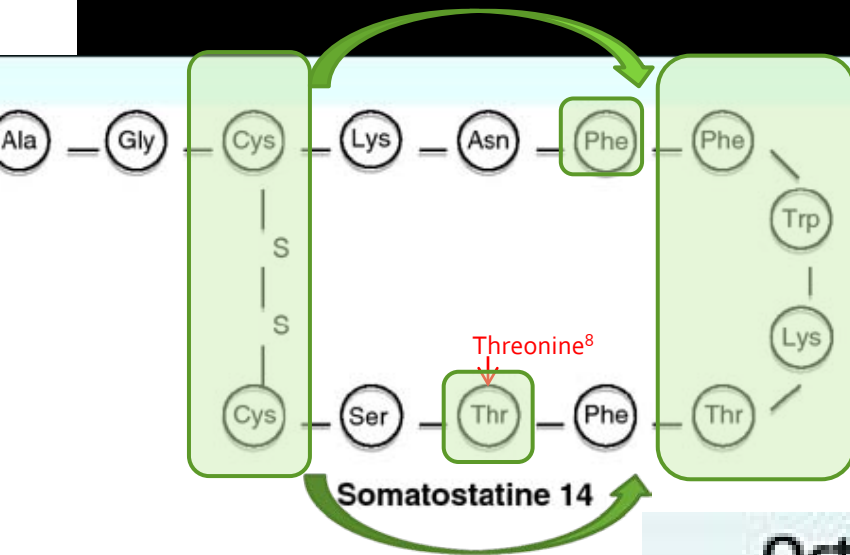
Phe<sup>3</sup> → Tyr<sup>3</sup>  
並加上DOTA

DOTATATE  
= DOTA-(Tyr<sup>3</sup>)-octreotate



# DOTATATE





Somatostatin<sub>14</sub> → Octreotide → DOTATOC

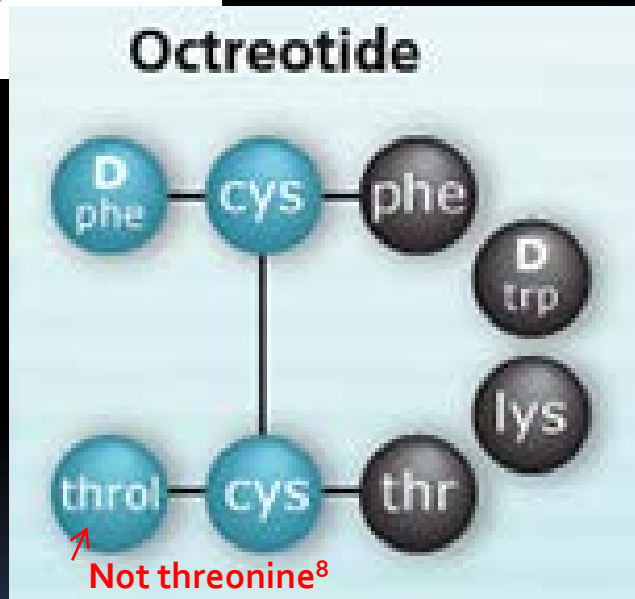
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Phe<sup>3</sup>→ tyr<sup>3</sup>  
並加上DOTA

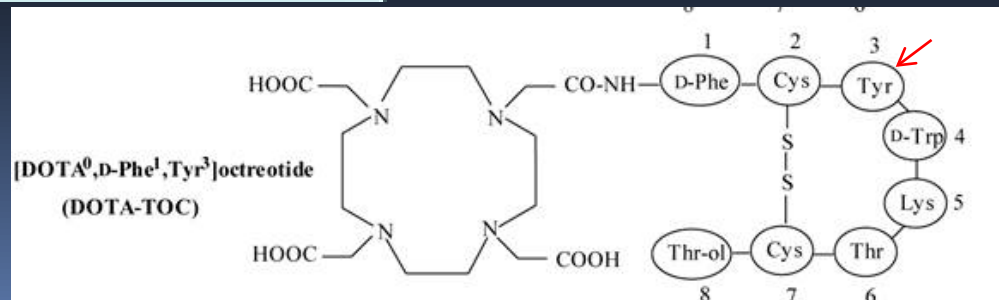
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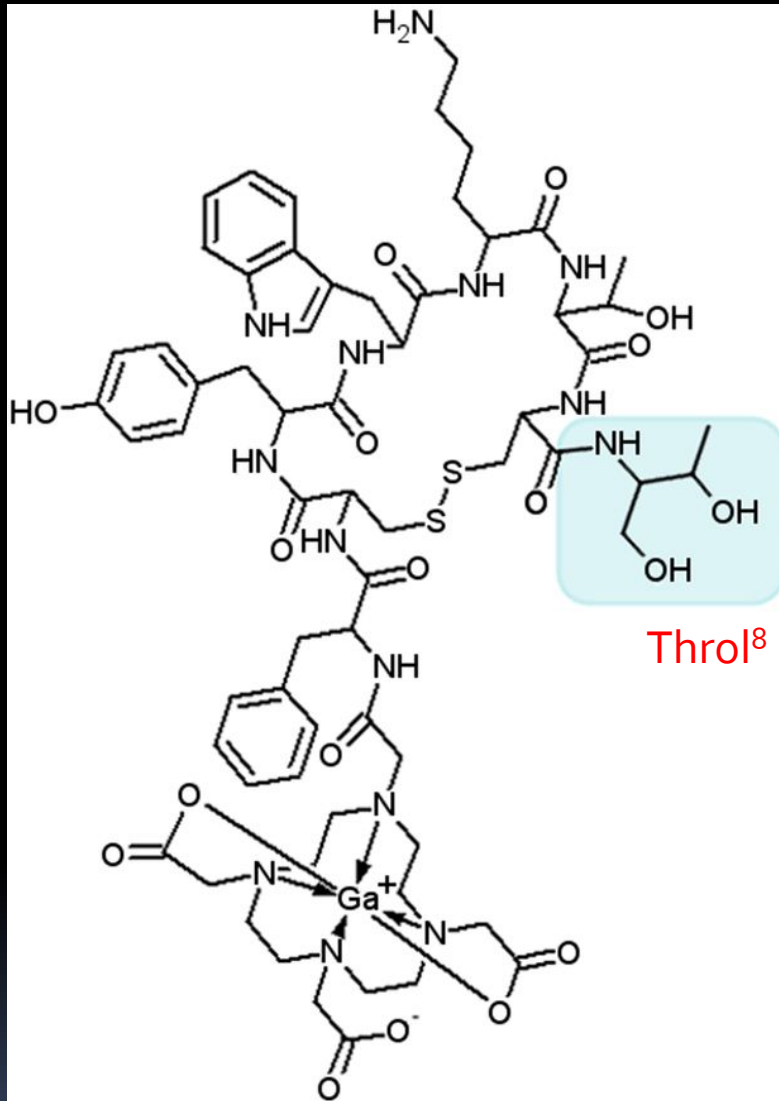
= (DOTA<sup>0</sup>-Phe<sup>1</sup>-Tyr<sup>3</sup>)octreotide

= Edotreotide (USAN, codenamed SMT487)



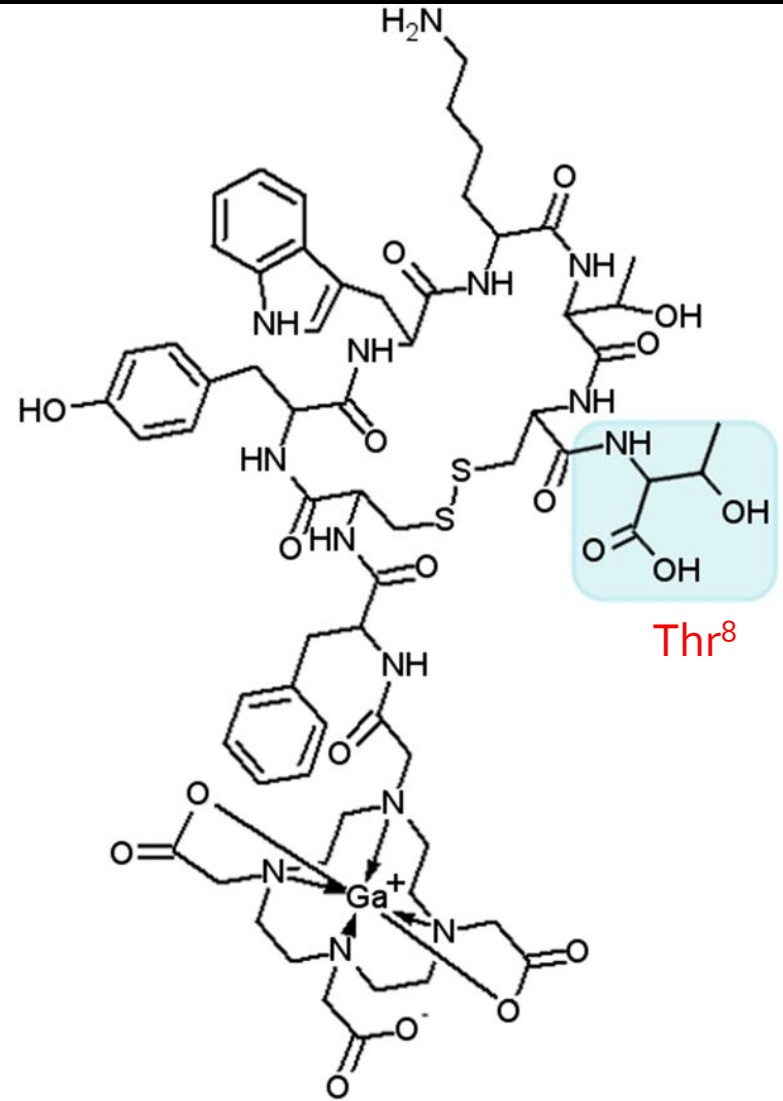
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Thr<sup>8</sup>

<sup>68</sup>Ga-DOTATOC



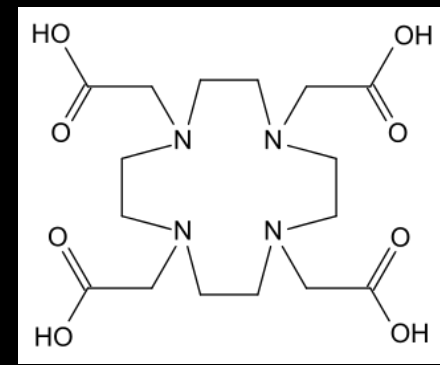
Thr<sup>8</sup>

<sup>68</sup>Ga-DOTATATE

# The relationship between...

- Somatostatin: SST<sub>14</sub> or SST<sub>28</sub>
- Octreotate: 8 amino acid
- Octreotide: 8 amino acid, thre → throl
- DOTA-TATE: octreotate phe → tyr + DOTA
- DOTA-TOC: octreotide phe → tyr + DOTA
- Pentreotide: octreotide + DTPA
- DOTA-LAN: lanreotide + DOTA
- Y<sub>90</sub>-DOTA-Tyr<sup>3</sup>-octreotide: DOTATOC + Y<sub>90</sub>
  
- DOTA

# DOTA (chelator)



- 1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecane-1,4,7,10-tetraacetic acid, formula  $(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H})_4$
- The molecule consists of a central 12-membered tetraaza (i.e., containing four nitrogen atoms) ring
- DOTA is used as a complexing agent (錯合劑、複合劑), especially for lanthanide(鐳系元素) ions
- Its complexes have medical applications as contrast agents and cancer treatments.



# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## Radiolabeled SST Analogs

### 1. [ $^{123}\text{I}$ -Tyr<sup>3</sup>]-octreotide

- The 1<sup>st</sup> radiotracer introduced for imaging SSTR-positive tumors
- in vivo dehalogenation and biliary excretion → accumulation of activity in the intestines and bladder → interpretation difficulty

### 2. [ $^{111}\text{In}$ -DTPA-d-Phe<sup>1</sup>]-octreotide

- In-111 pentetreotide, Octreoscan<sup>®</sup>
- High specific activity (5-6 mCi of In-111/10 ug octreotide)
- **Filtrated by glomerulus**, and reabsorbed in renal tubules partially → prolonged residence time of renal activity
- Rapidly cleared from kidneys (50% within 5h) → less intestinal activity than [ $^{123}\text{I}$ -Tyr<sup>3</sup>]-octreotide

# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## Radiolabeled SST Analogs

### 3. $^{90}\text{Y}/^{111}\text{In}$ -DOTA-lanreotide

- $^{90}\text{Y}/^{111}\text{In}$ -DOTA-LAN
- SSTR<sub>1</sub>: low affinity (K<sub>d</sub> 200 nM)
- SSTR<sub>2-5</sub>: high affinity (K<sub>d</sub> 1-10 nM)
- $^{90}\text{Y}$ -DOTA-LAN: Tx potential under investigation

### 4. $^{90}\text{Y}/^{111}\text{In}$ -DOTA-TOC

- $^{90}\text{Y}$ -DOTA-TOC: Tx potential under investigation

### 5. $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -P829

- NeoTect<sup>®</sup>, Amersham Inc
- approved by the FDA for imaging lung tumors

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## Vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP) & VIP receptors

- 28-amino-acid neuroendocrine mediator
- broad range of biological activity in diverse cells and tissues:
  - Vasodilator
  - promotes the growth and proliferation of normal and malignant cells.
- VIP receptors
  - Cell membrane of GI tract: widely distributed
  - various other cell types
- Increased VIP receptor expression:
  - Adenocarcinomas
  - breast cancers
  - Melanomas
  - Neuroblastomas
  - pancreatic carcinomas

# Specific Receptor Binding— Radiolabeled peptides

## I-123 VIP

- High-specific-activity  $^{123}\text{I}$ -VIP (150–200 MBq/ $\mu\text{g}$ )
- Specific uptake:
  - primary tumors
  - metastases (in liver, lung, and LNs) of pancreatic adenocarcinoma, colon adenocarcinoma, or GI neuroendocrine tumors
- Interaction between VIP and SST on various cell types
  - high-affinity binding of  $^{123}\text{I}$ -VIP to SSTR 3 suggests that the SSTR 3 receptor subtype might be the site of cross-competition between VIP and SST