

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

Ribonucleic acids, ex: F-18 FLT

9. Specific Receptor Binding

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

10. Imaging Gene Expression

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Specific Receptor Binding– Steroid hormone receptors

- Steroid, cholesterol, adrenocortical hormones
 - Application of steroid hormone imaging agents
 - Breast cancer
 - ER & PR agents
 - 16α -F-18 fluoro- 17β -estradiol (FES): ER
 - 21-F-18 fluoro- 16α -ethyl-19-norprogesterone (FENP): PR
 - I-123 cis-11 β -methoxy-17 α -iodovinylestradiol (Z-[123I]MIVE): ER, in breast cancer
- Passive diffusion, bind to steroid receptors in the nucleus

Steroid, cholesterol & adrenocortical hormones

一類化合物 ■ Steroid

- An organic compound of a characteristic **four cycloalkane** rings
 - Cycloalkane 環烷烴
 - Cyclic alkane (通式: $C_nH_{2(n+1-g)}$, n: 碳原子個數, g: 環數)
 - Alkane 烷烴
 - A **saturated** hydrocarbon compound, consisting only of **hydrogen** and **carbon** atoms and all bonds are single bonds. (通式: C_nH_{2n+2} , n: 碳原子個數)
 - Methane 甲烷, Ethane 乙烷, Propane 丙烷, Butane 丁烷, Pentane 戊烷, Hexane 己烷...

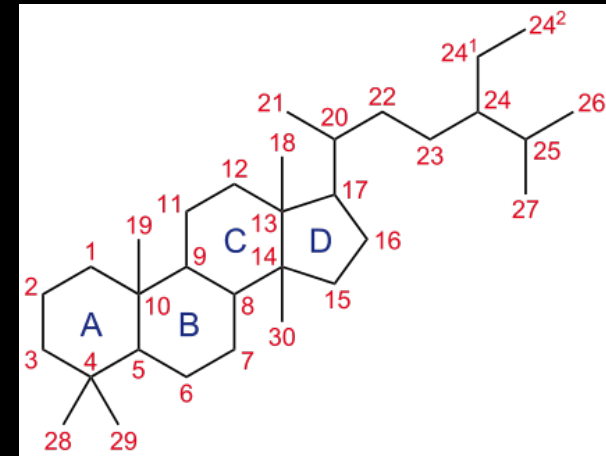
直鏈烷與環烷，相對應的命名

Propane 環丙烷, Butane 環丁烷, Pentane 環戊烷, Hexane 環己烷

Steroid, cholesterol & adrenocortical hormones

- Steroid (cont.)

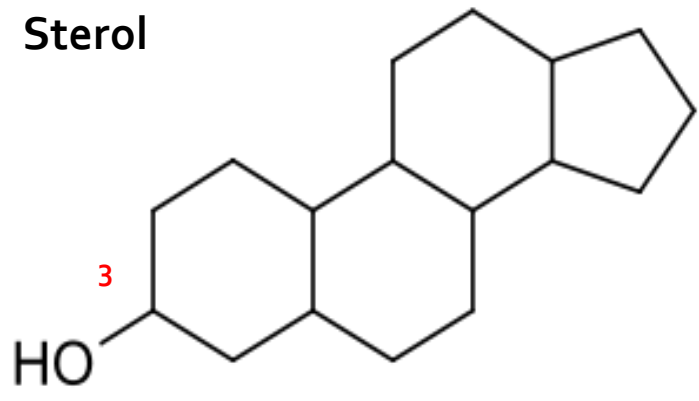
- 17 carbon, four cycloalkane: three **cyclohexane** rings (A, B and C rings) and one **cyclopentane** ring (the D ring)
- Examples of steroid:
 - Lipid cholesterol
 - Sex hormones (estradiol, testosterone)
 - Bile acids
 - Drugs (ex: dexamethasone)



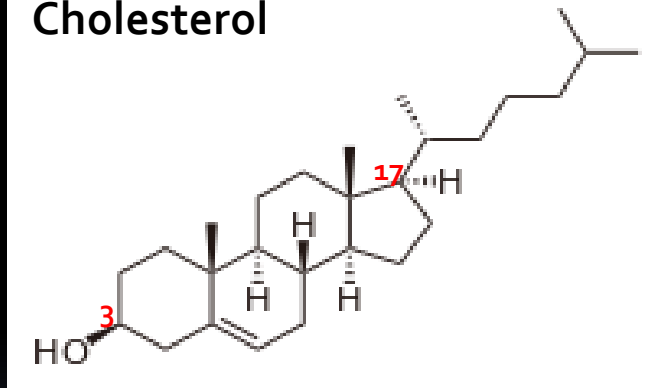
Steroid, cholesterol & adrenocortical hormones

- 一類化合物 ■ Sterol (a.k.a. steroid alcohols) 甾醇
 - A subgroup of steroids with an -OH group at the 3-position of the A-ring
 - occur naturally in **plants, animals, and fungi**, with the most familiar type of animal sterol being **cholesterol**
- 一種化合物 ■ Cholesterol
 - It is a sterol and is biosynthesized by **all animal cells** because it is an essential structural component of animal **cell membranes** that is required to maintain both membrane structural integrity and fluidity
 - C-17: functional group
 - Precursors of sex hormones

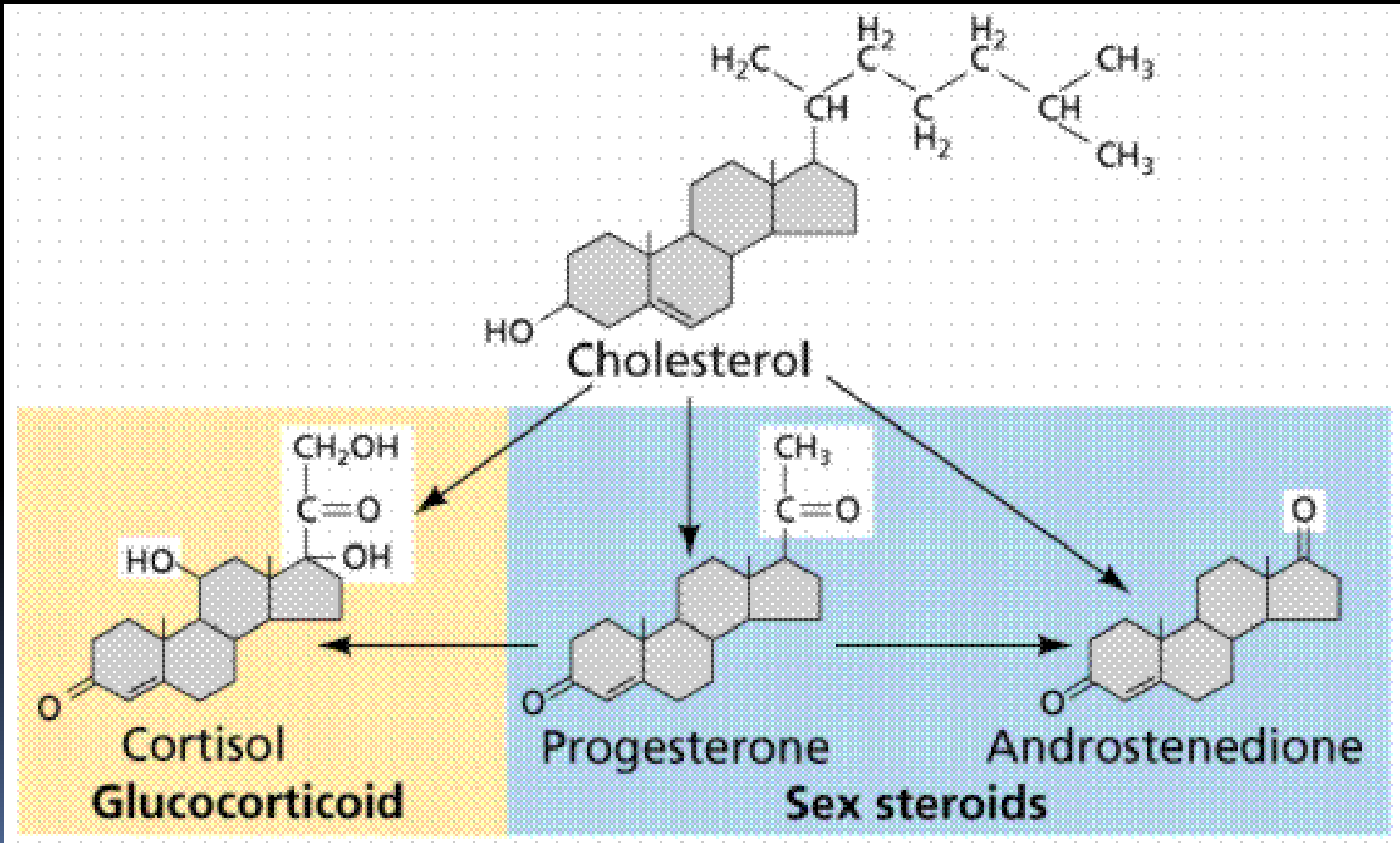
Sterol



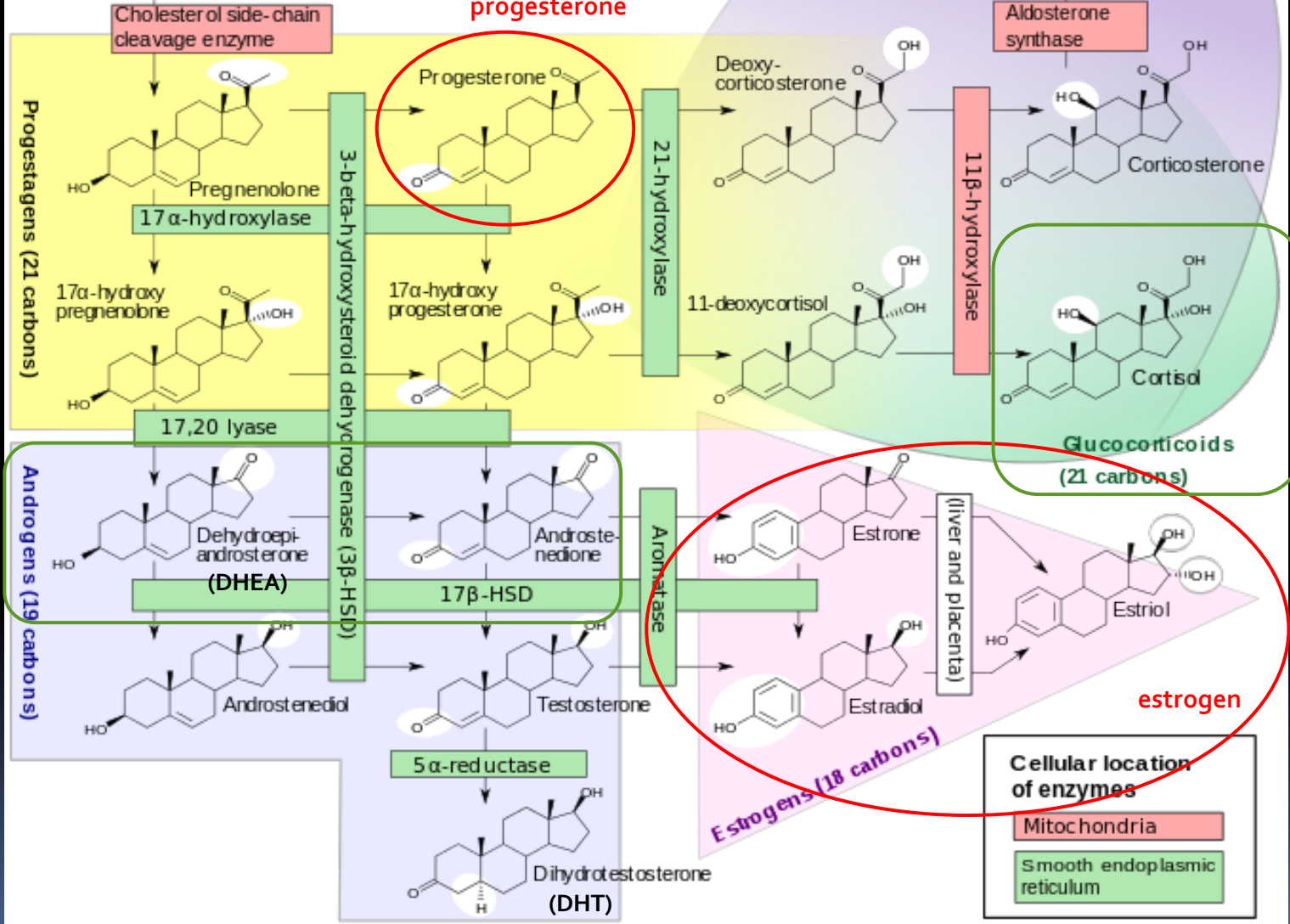
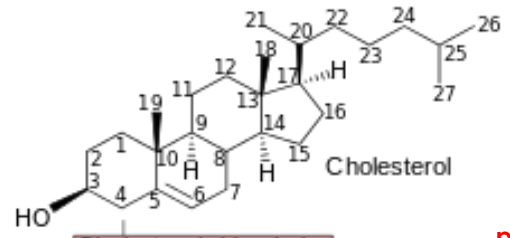
Cholesterol



Relationship between: Steroid, cholesterol and adrenocortical hormones

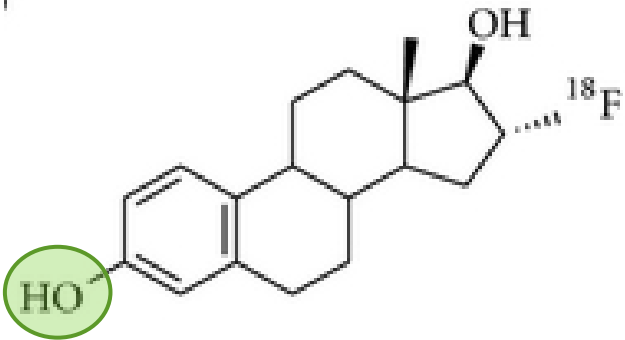


Zona reticularis

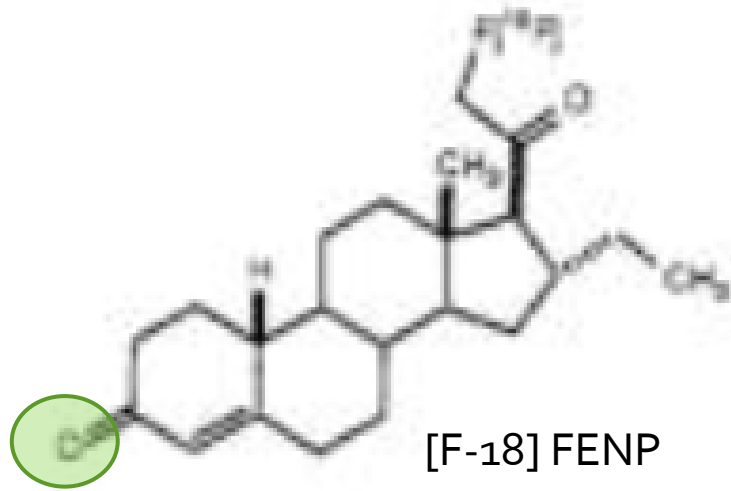


Zona glomerulosa

Zona fasciculata



[¹⁸F] FES



[F-18] FENP

FENP OR [¹⁸F] FENP

Z-[¹²³I]MIVE

ER

PR

ER

F-18 FES PET
 Potential for detecting ER(+) metastatic foci of breast ca.

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Specific Receptor Binding—

Adrenergic presynaptic receptors & storage

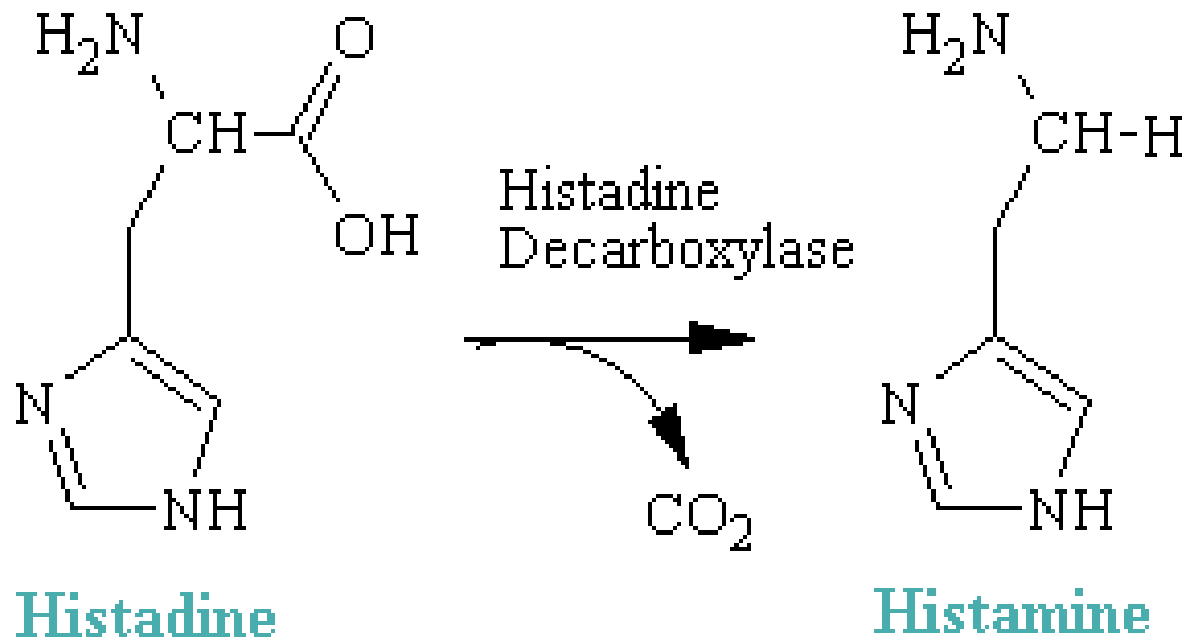
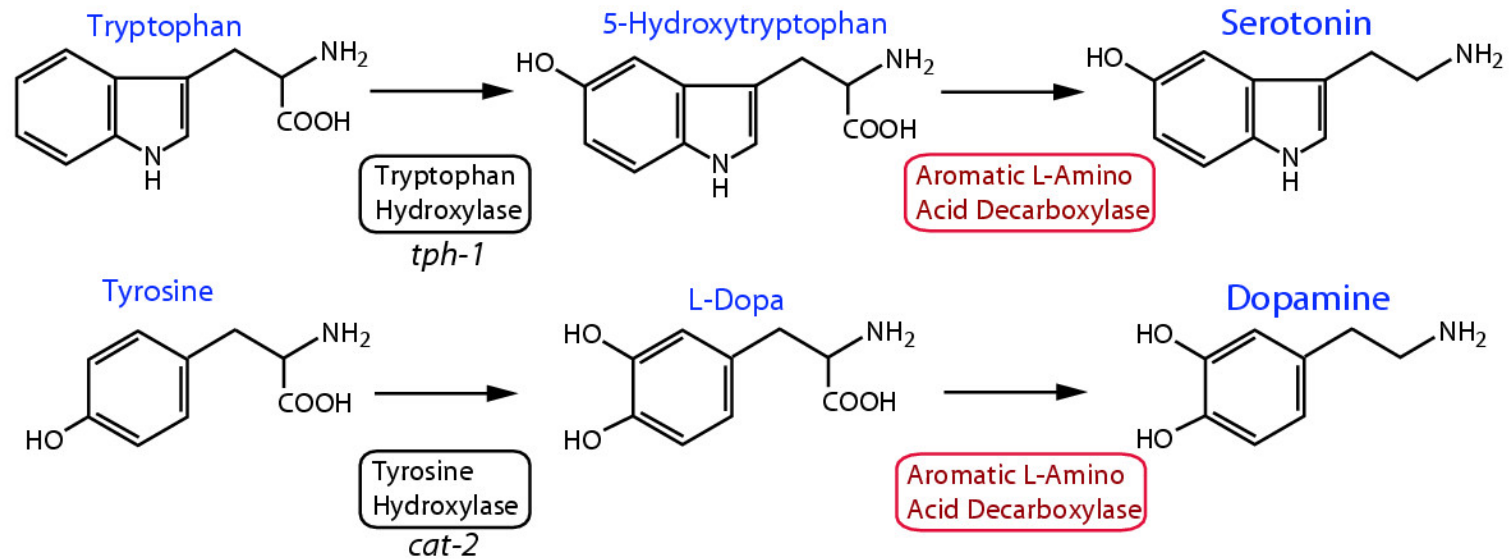
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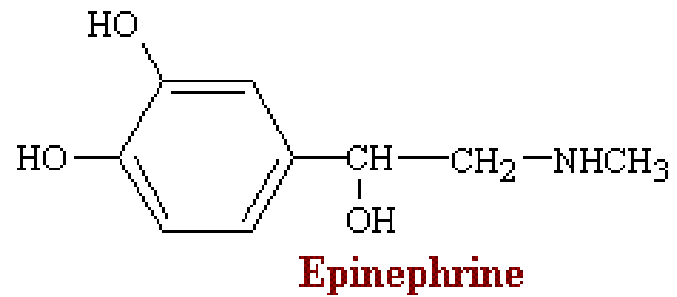
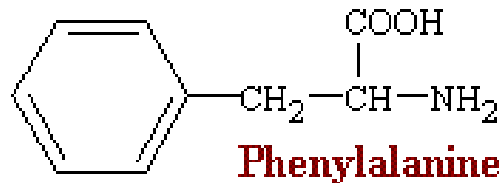
- APUD: amine precursor uptake and decarboxylation
- a group of cells of **common embryonic origin** that secrete most of the body's hormones, with the exception of **steroids**. APUD cells comprise both specialized neurons and other endocrine cells. These cells synthesize structurally related **polypeptides** and **biogenic amines**. The acronym APUD derives from the fact that polypeptide production is linked to the uptake of a precursor amino acid and its decarboxylation in the cell to produce an amine.
- Peptide hormones, ex: **insulin, ACTH, glucagon** and **antidiuretic hormone**
- Amine hormones, ex: **dopamine, norepinephrine, serotonin** and **histamine**

APUD system

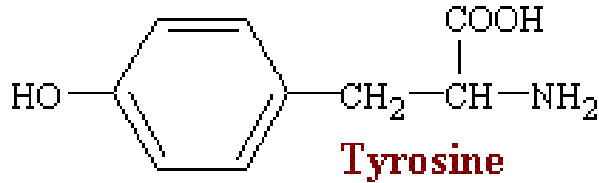
- A morphologic and functional subgroup of the endocrine system, encompassing:
 - C-cells of the thyroid
 - Type-I cells of the carotid body and paraganglia → release noradrenalin
 - Norepinephrine and epinephrine-producing cells of the adrenal medulla
 - Melanoblasts
 - Pineal gland
 - Posterior pituitary cells
- APUD cells take up tryptophan, converting it to 5-HT (serotonin), which is converted to mono-amine oxidase (MAO) 5HIAA
- The term APUD system is little used in the working parlance and has been replaced by **neuroendocrine system**

Serotonin & Dopamine Biosynthesis

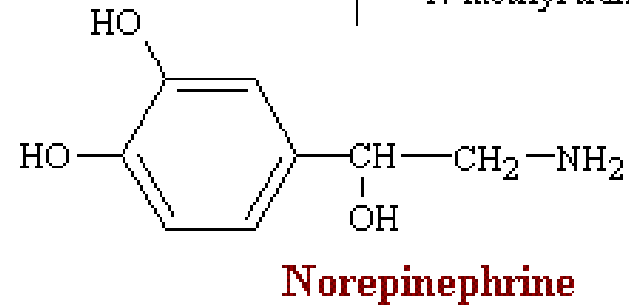




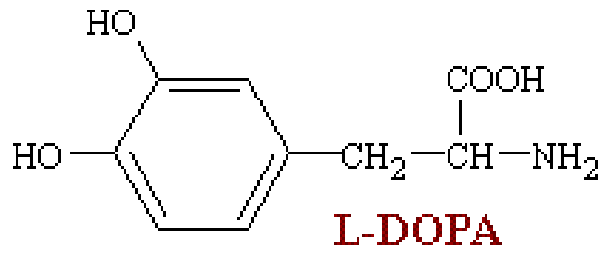
↓ Phenylalanine hydroxylase



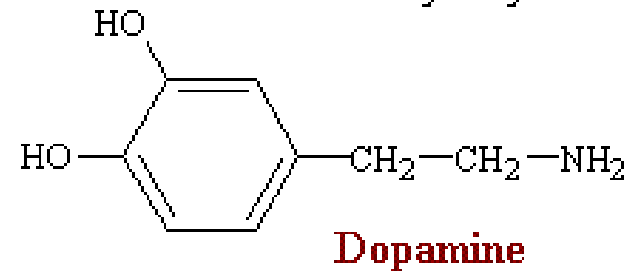
↑ Norepinephrine N-methyl transferase



↓ Tyrosine Oxidase



↑ Dopamine-β-hydroxylase



↘ Aromatic L-amino acid Decarboxylase

Specific Receptor Binding—

Adrenergic presynaptic receptors & storage

- I-131 meta-iodobenzyl-guanidine (I-131 MIBG)
 - An analog of noradrenaline
 - accumulate in catecholamine storing chromophil cells of adrenal medulla
 - is believed to be transported into the cell by the **reuptake pathways of the adrenergic presynaptic neurons**. Within the cells, MIBG is transported into the catecholamine-**storing** granules by means of the ATPase-dependent proton pump. The major difference bt MIBG and noradrenaline is that MIBG dose not bind to postsynaptic adrenergic receptors
 - Reduced uptake if using: labetalol, CCBs, antipsychotic & sympathomimetic agents

MIBG因為結構類似 norepinephrine，必須緩慢注射以免引起高血壓的危險性。藥物注射後，建議請受檢者在檢查室休息半小時後，無異狀再離開__ CGMH protocol

Specific Receptor Binding— Adrenergic presynaptic receptors & storage

- I-131 meta-iodobenzyl-guanidine (I-131 MIBG) (cont.)

initially, used in...

- Pheochromocytoma... from adrenal medulla
- Paraganglioma (extra-adrenal pheochromocytoma)... extra-adrenal adrenergic system (special chemoreceptors, chiefly in carotid body, aortic body and may also be located along major arteries)

laterally, used in...

- Medullary thyroid carcinoma
- Retinoblastoma
- Melanoma
- Bronchial carcinoma

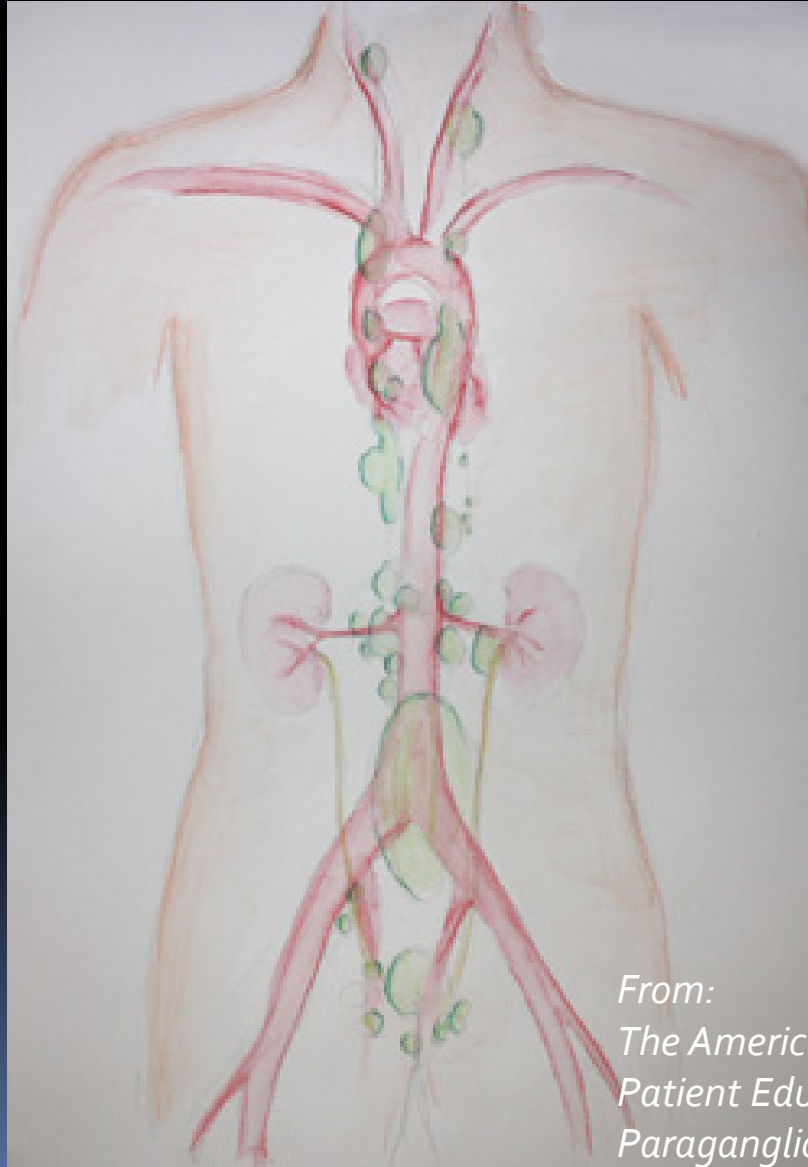
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Possible sites of Paraganglioma



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Specific Receptor Binding–

LDL receptors

- ^{131}I -6 β -iodomethyl-19-norcholesterol (NP-59)
- ^{131}I -6-iodocholesterol (Ioderin)
- ^{75}Se - β -iodomethyl-19-norcholesterol (Scintadren)
- Mechanism of uptake:
 - transported by plasma LDL and are accumulated in the adrenal cortex via LDL receptors
 - esterified like cholesterol and stored intracellularly without further metabolism or incorporation into adrenocortical steroid hormones

NP-59 Adrenal Cortical Scintigraphy

- 利用NP-59檢查時有不同的步驟：
 - 當懷疑是庫辛氏症時直接注射NP-59檢查即可，藉著影像表現的不同來判斷是ACTH依賴型或是非依賴型
 - 若懷疑是原發性醛固酮過多症則必須先以dexamethasone(DS)進行抑制ACTH分泌再注射NP-59
- 適應症：
 - 1、診斷原發性醛固酮過多症是腺瘤或是腎上腺皮質增生所引起
 - 2、當CT、MRI、超音波發現腎上腺有腫塊時可以鑑定腫塊的功能及特性
 - 3、診斷庫辛氏症(Cushing's syndrome)是ACTH依賴型或是非依賴型
 - 4、診斷女性多毛症或無月經是否因腎上腺雄性素分泌過高引起

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- Thanks your attention.