

# Molecular Chemistry

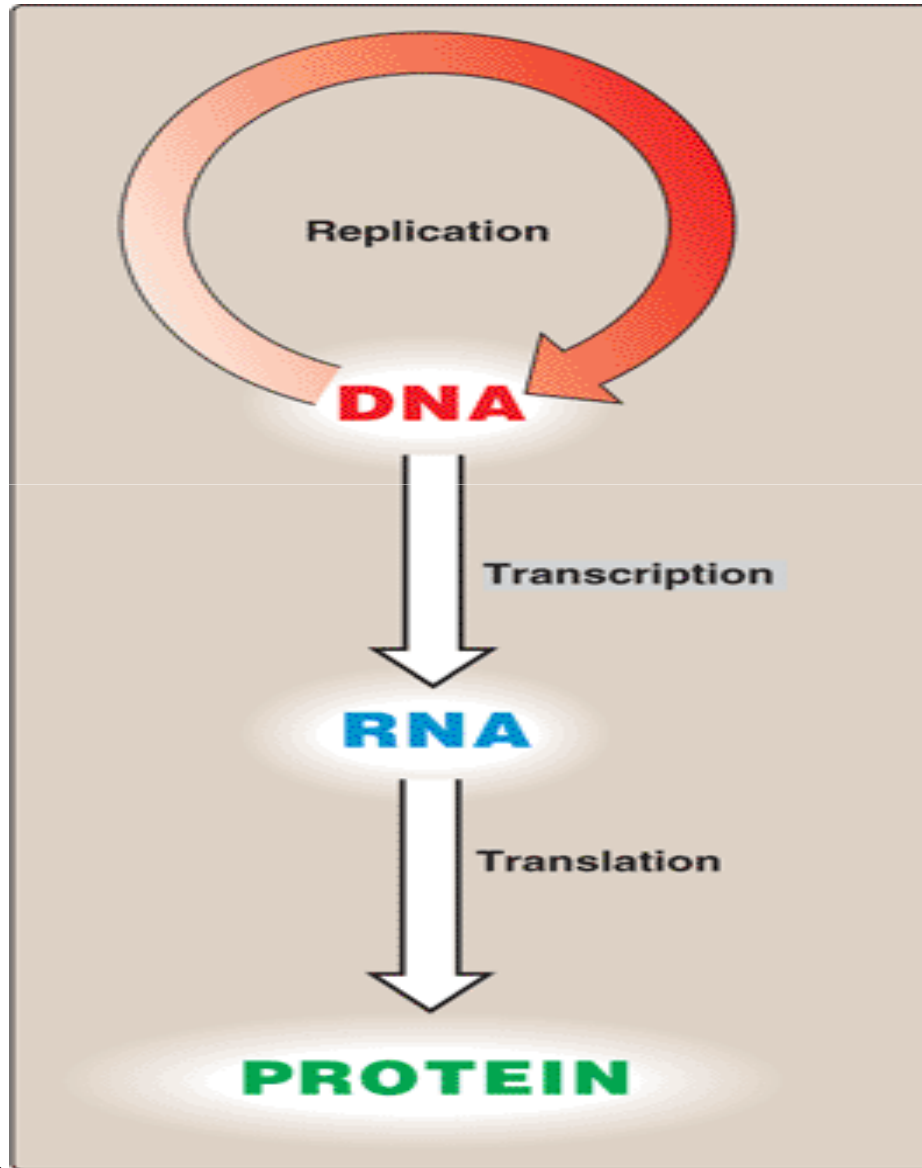
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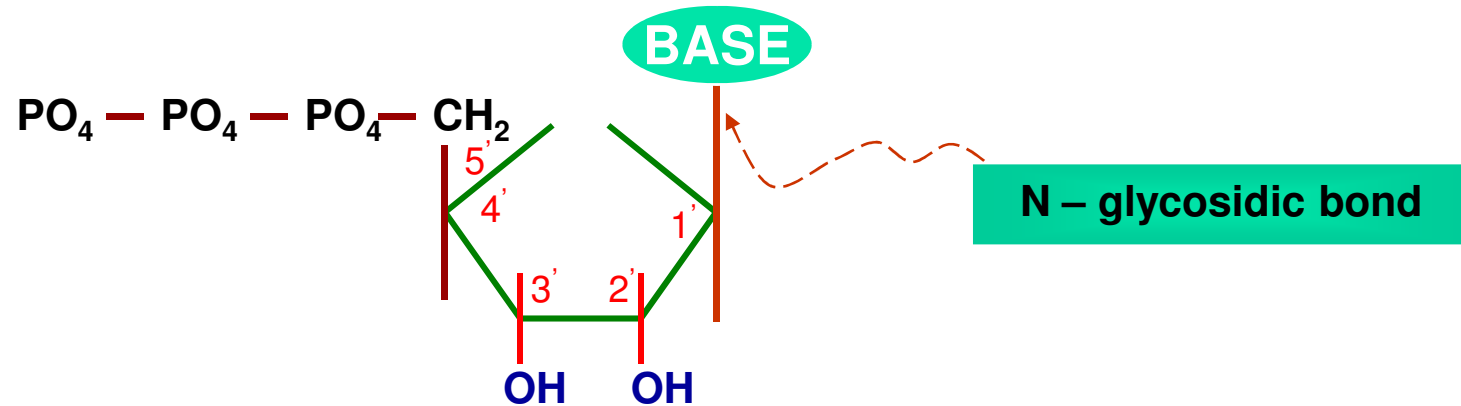
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# “Central dogma” Of Molecular Biology



- Each cell is specialized, expressing only those functions that are required for it to perform.
- DNA replicate and express only precise information.

# STRUCTURE OF NUCLEOTIDES



Nucleoside

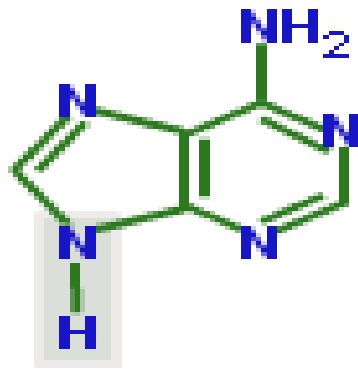
Nucleoside monophosphate

Nucleoside diphosphate

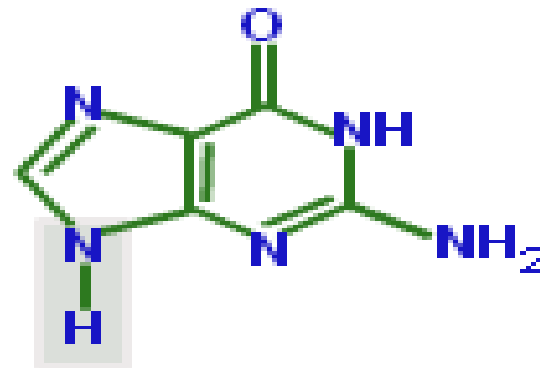
Nucleoside Triphosphate

Nucleotides

## Purines

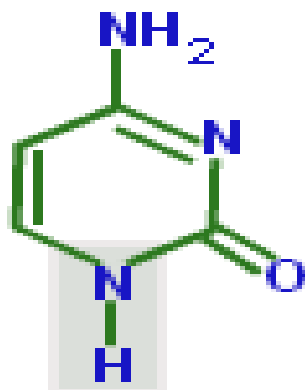


**Adenine (A)**  
DNA  
RNA

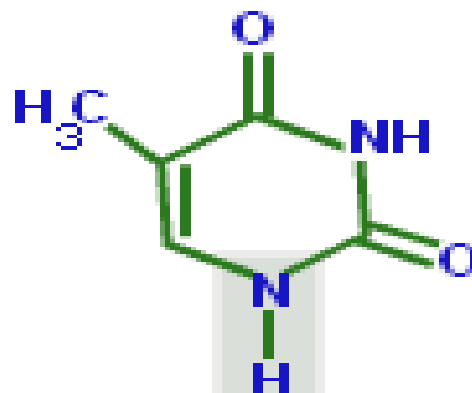


**Guanine (G)**  
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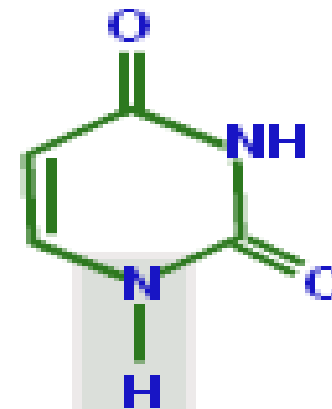
## Pyrimidines



**Cytosine (C)**  
DNA  
RNA

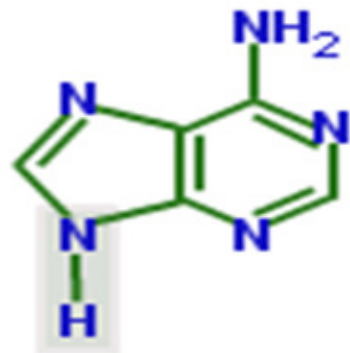


**Thymine (T)**  
DNA

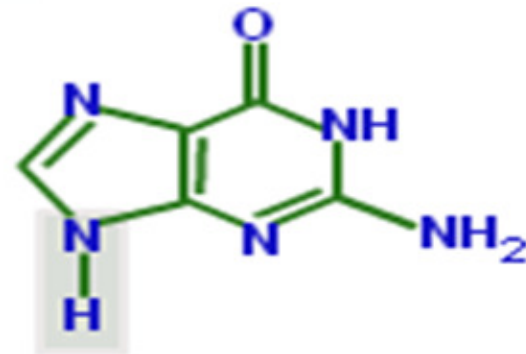


**Uracil (U)**  
RNA

## Purines

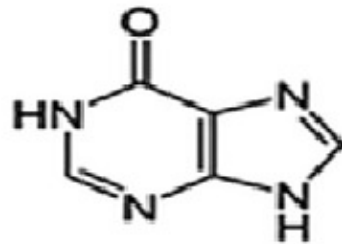


Adenine (A)  
DNA  
RNA

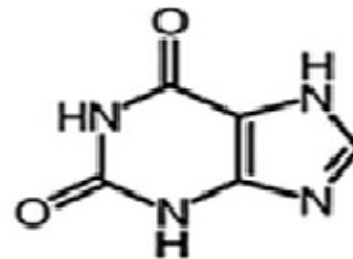


Guanine (G)  
DNA  
RNA

## Modified Purine

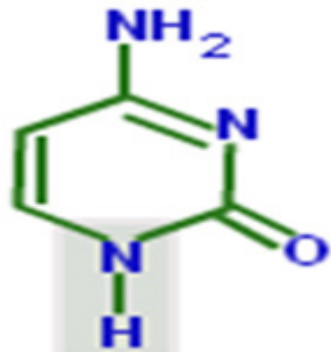


Hypoxanthine

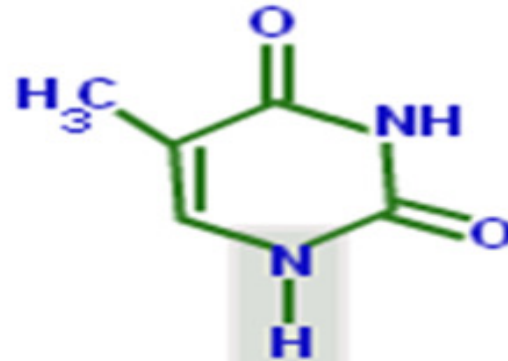


Xanthine

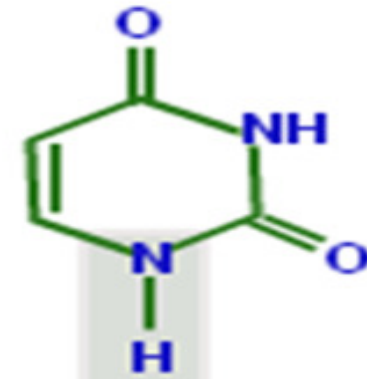
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RNA

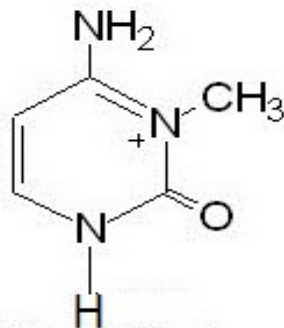


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DNA

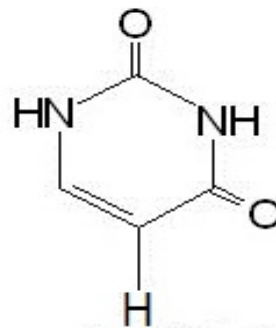


Uracil (U)  
RNA

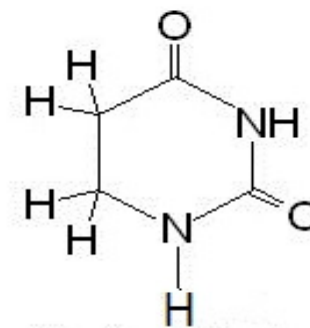
## Modified Pyrimidine



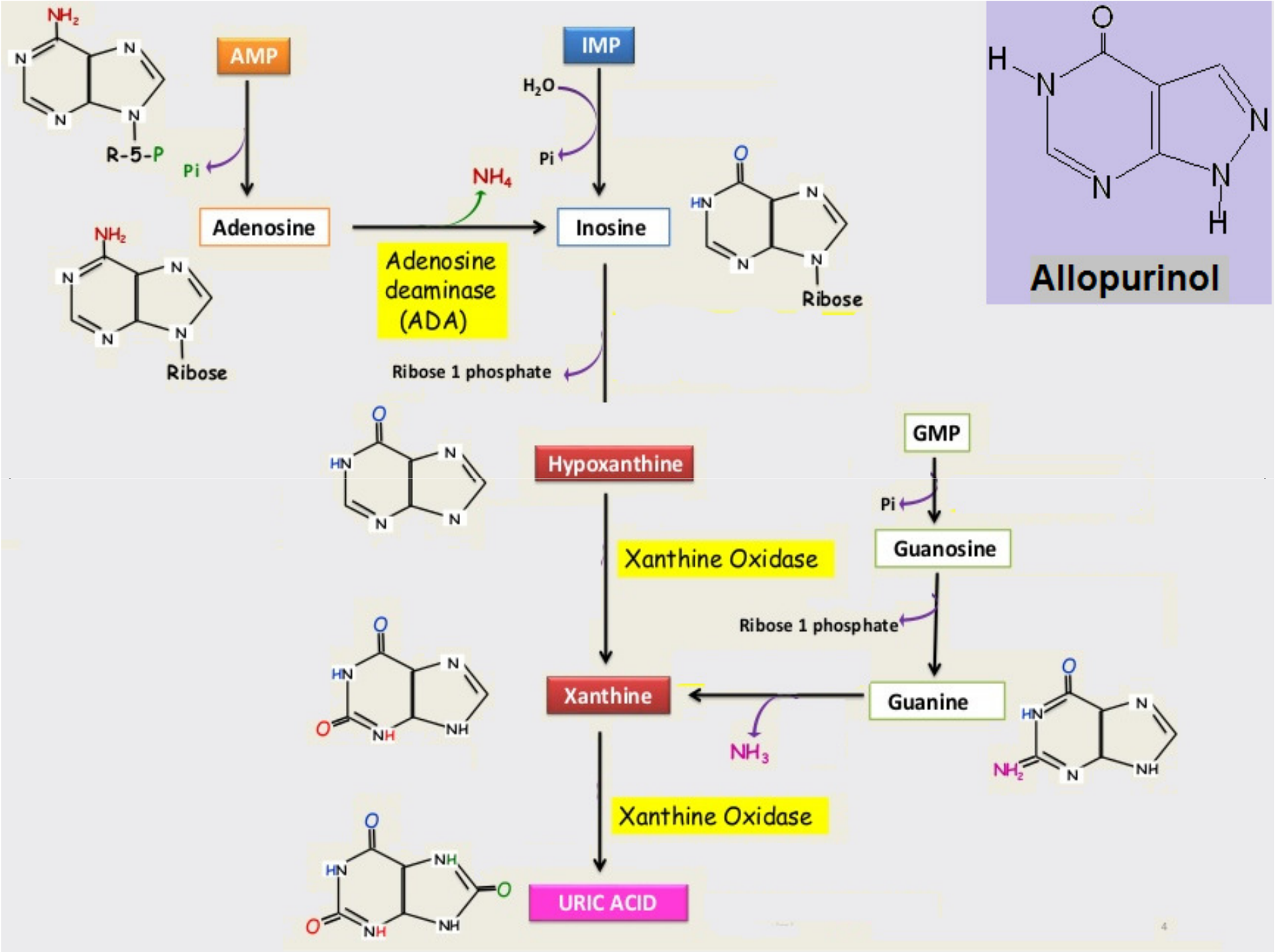
3-methylcytidine



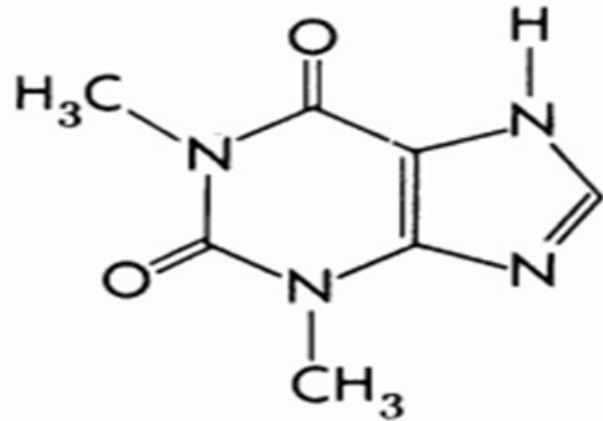
pseudouridine



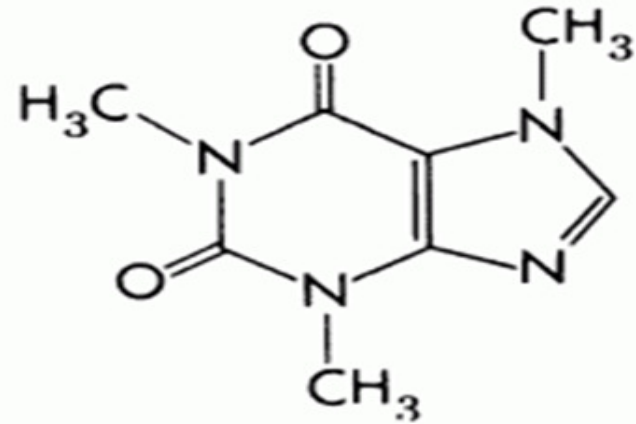
dihydrouridine



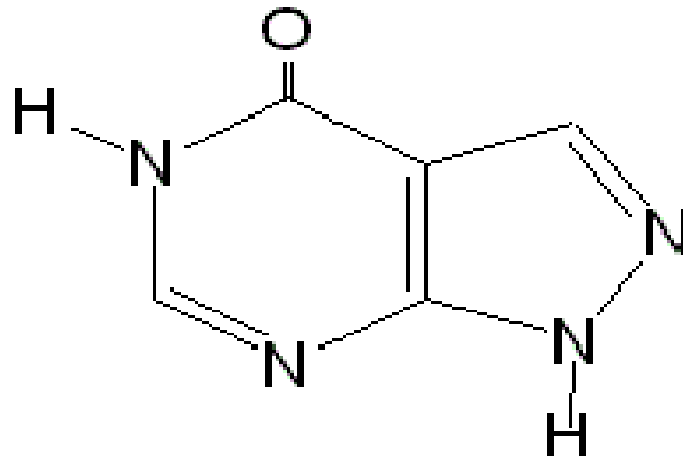
# To which molecule is it similar?



THEOPHYLLINE



CAFFEINE



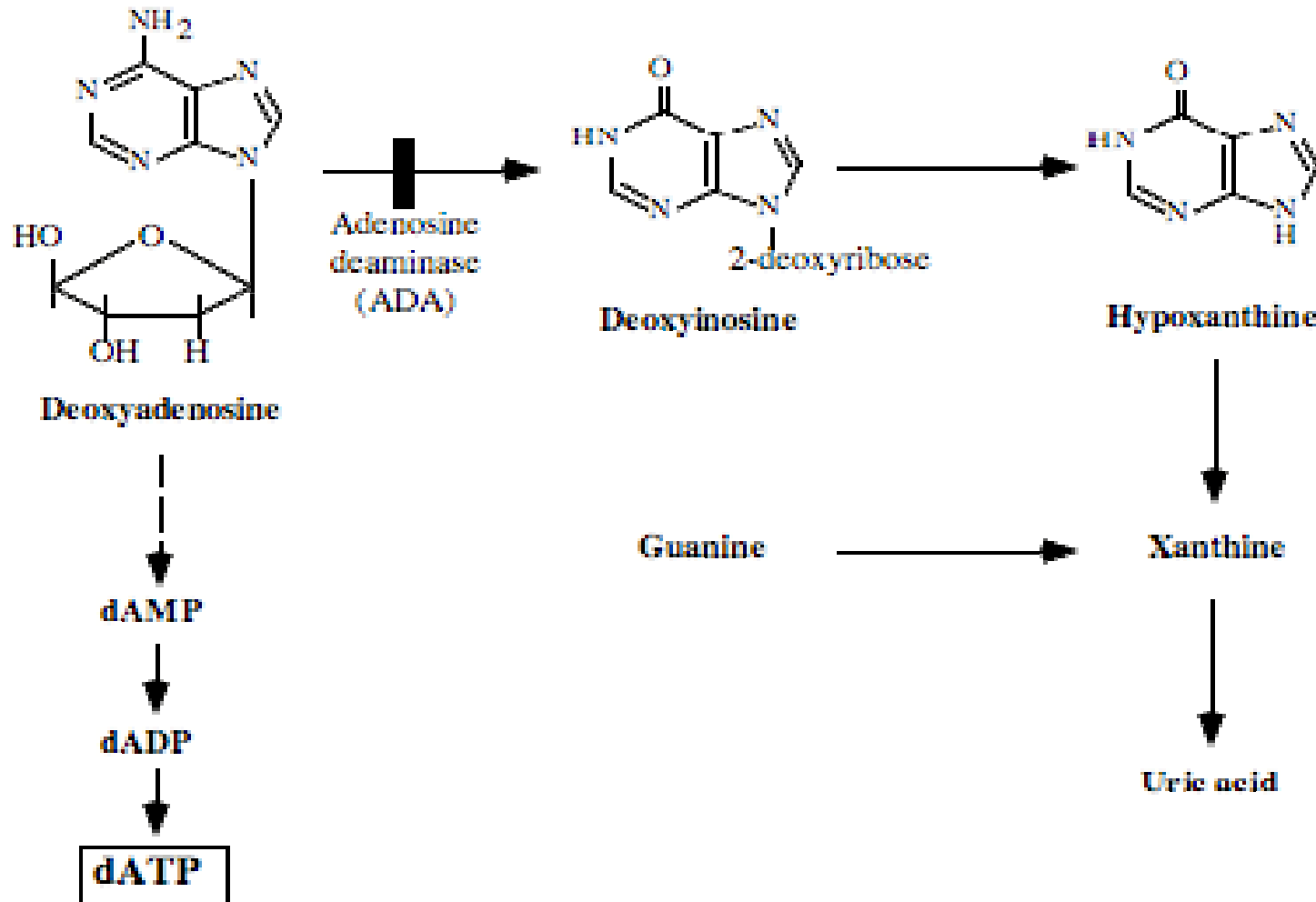
Allopurinol



- Which has more concentration of Adenosine deaminase ?
- What is diagnostic important of ADA ?

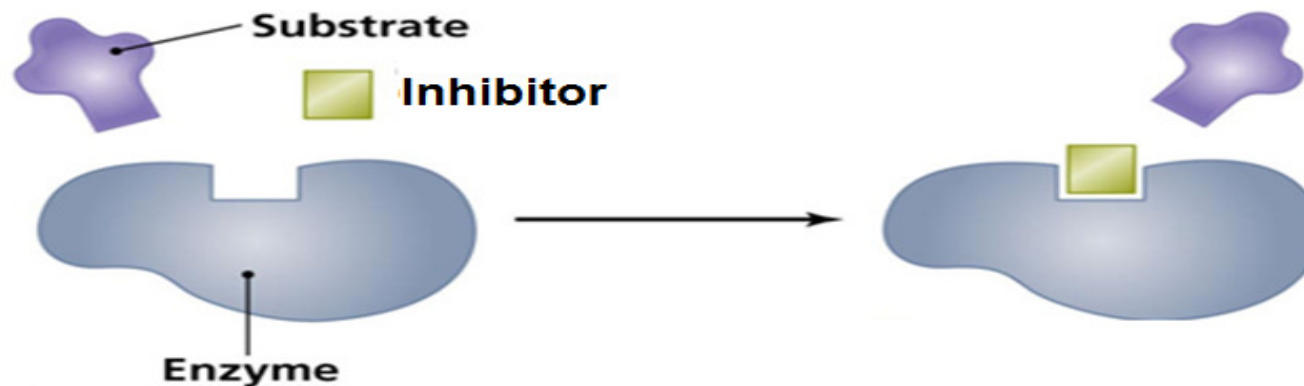
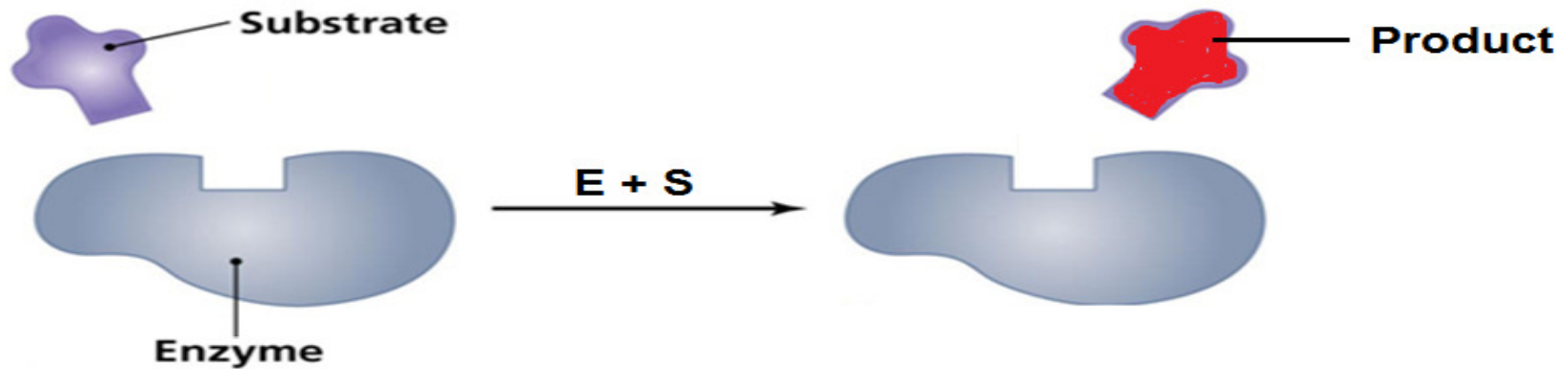
# What can be effect of Adenosine deaminase deficiency

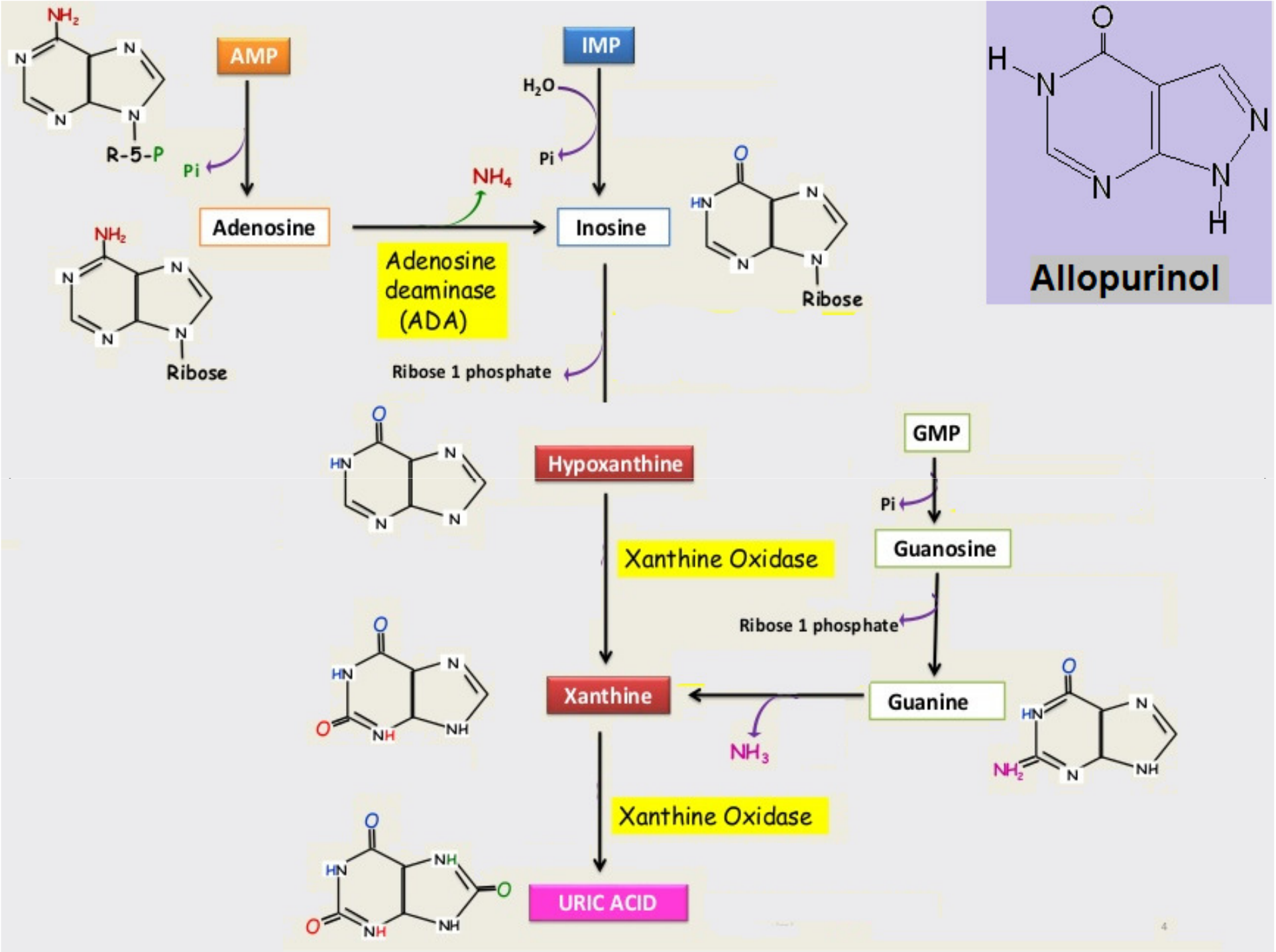
- What get accumulate & deficient ?
  - Substrate or Product ?



**What can happen to reaction if two structurally similar substrate come to enzyme?**

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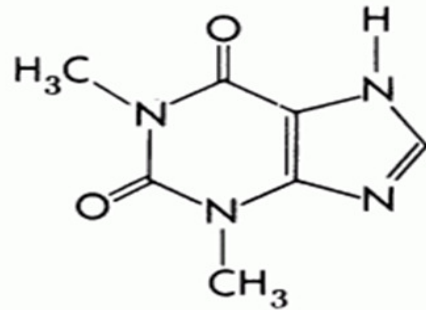




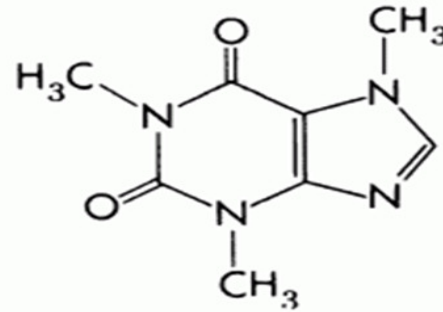
# Gar (Hostel)-Kam

- Name a condition which can happen due to increase serum uric acid level (**Hyperuricemia**).
- What is difference between uric acid and urate crystal?
- Which part of body especially get affected due to hyperuricemia?
- What type of food ingestion can cause hyperuricemia ?
- Which type of condition can increase purine degradation and increase serum uric acid level?
- Which type of condition can decrease excretion of uric acid , which makes increase serum uric acid level?
- What is role of Allopurinol to correct hyperuricemia ?

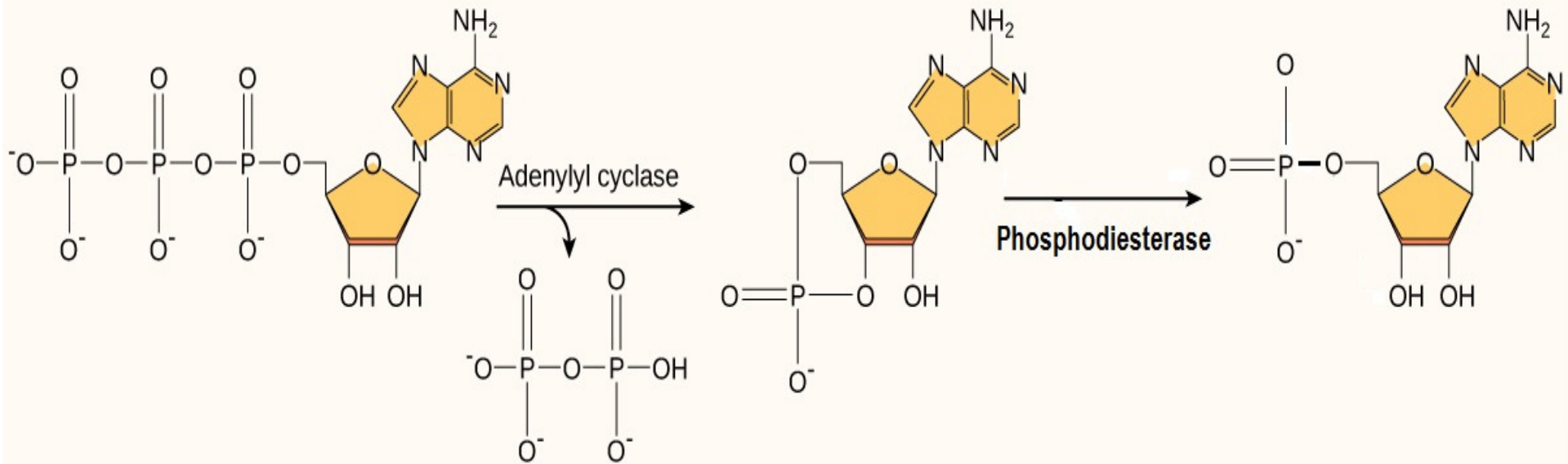
# What can theophylline do with following reaction?



THEOPHYLLINE



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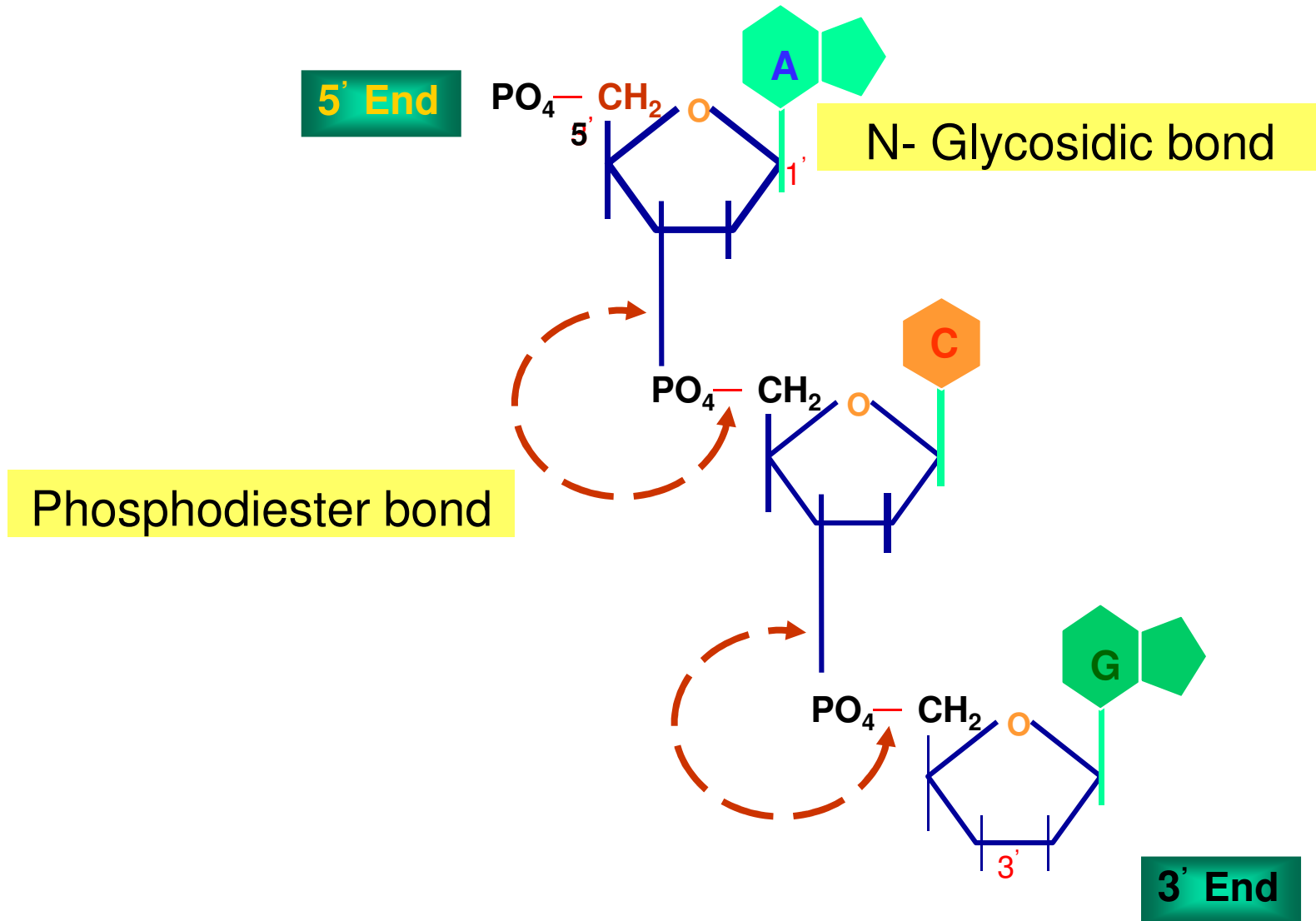


ATP

cAMP

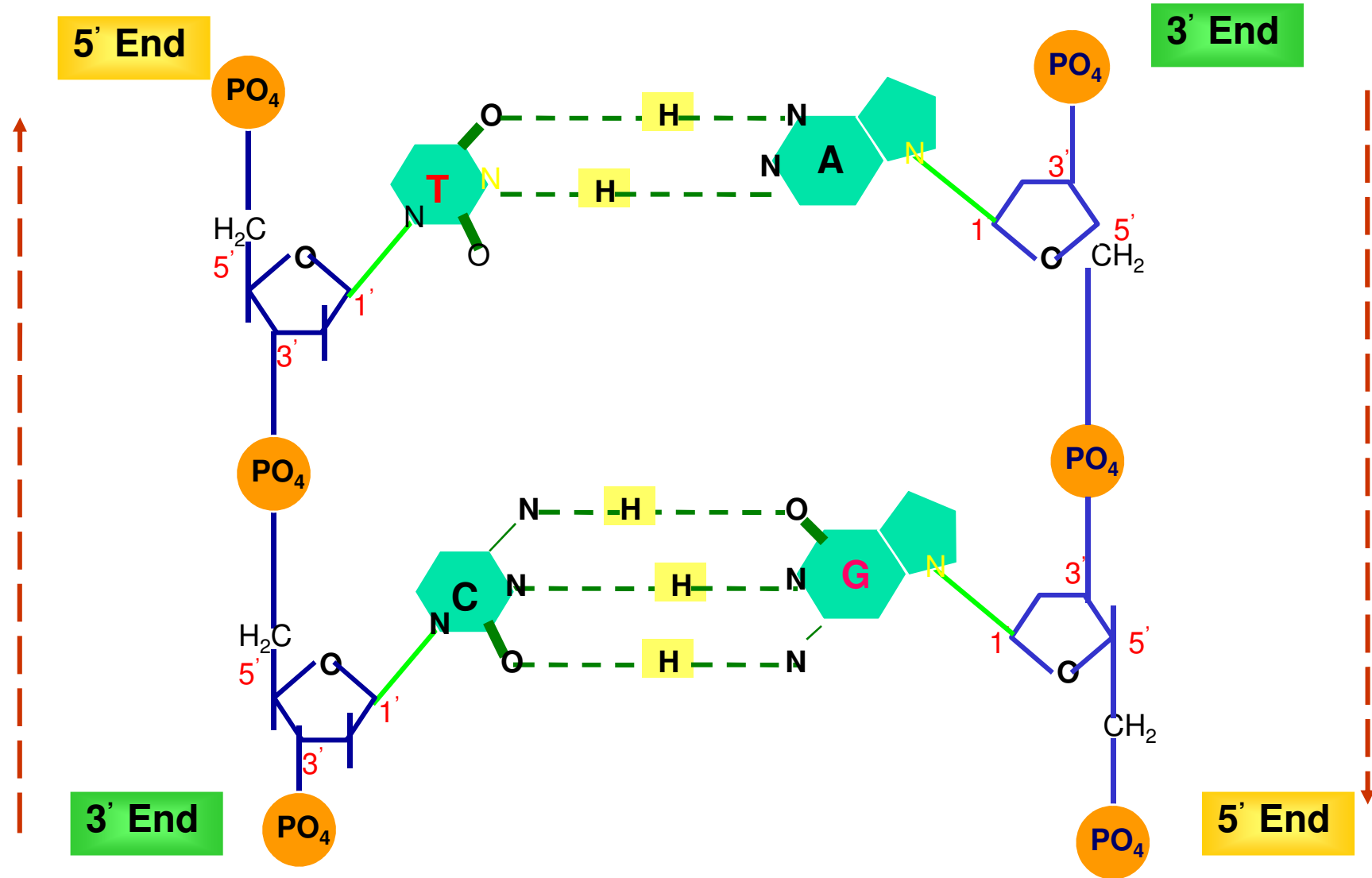
AMP

# NUCLEIC ACID

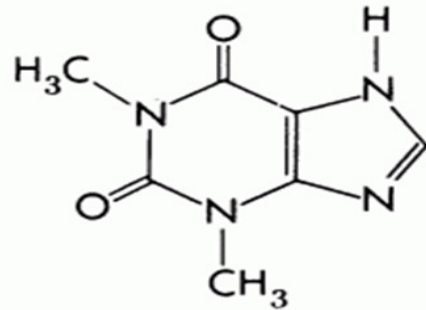




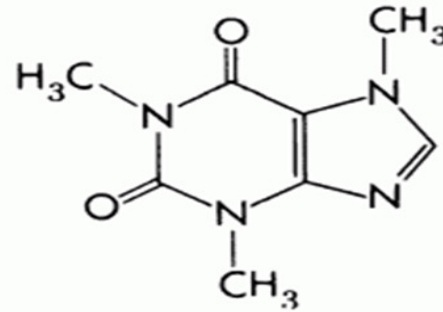
# DNA



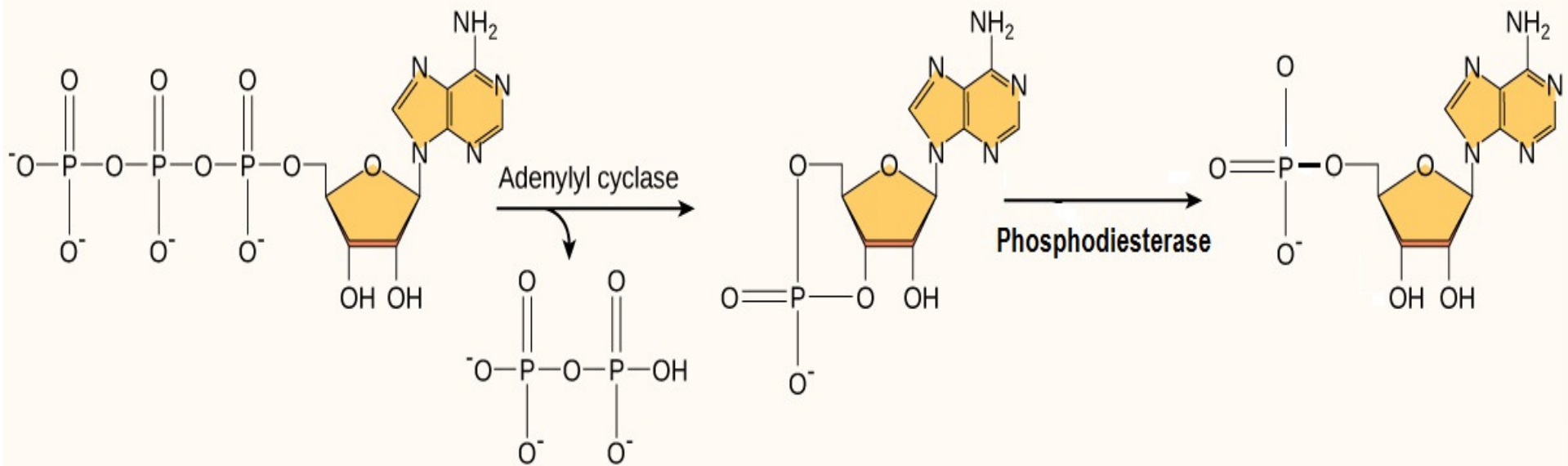
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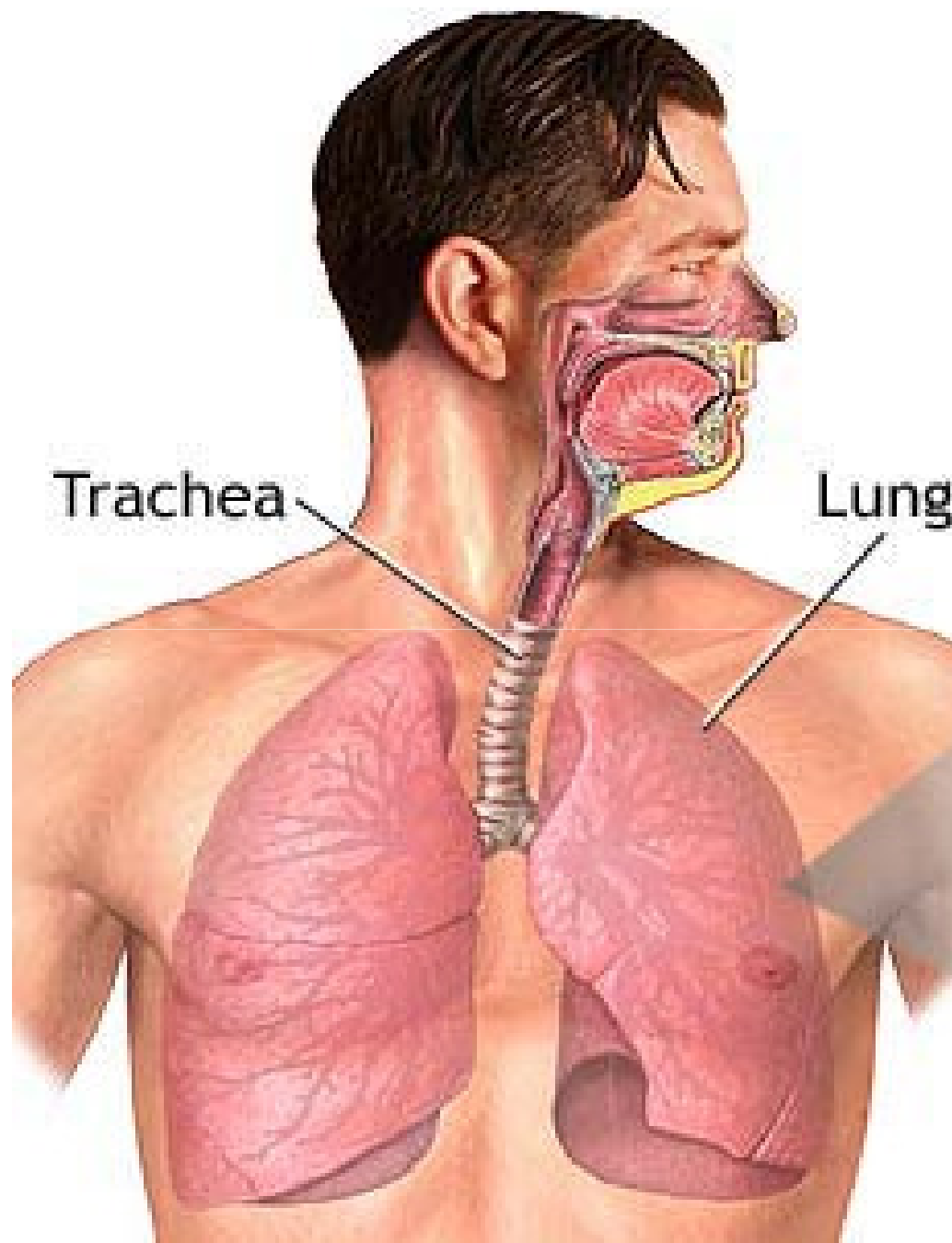
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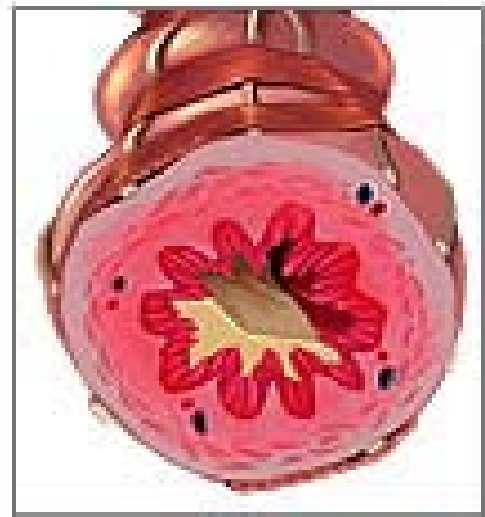
cAMP

AMP

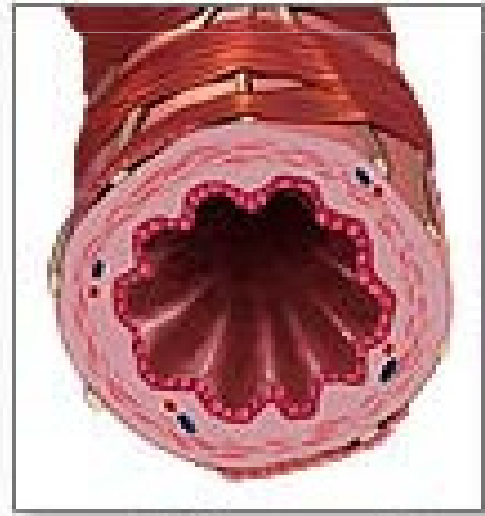


Trachea

Lung

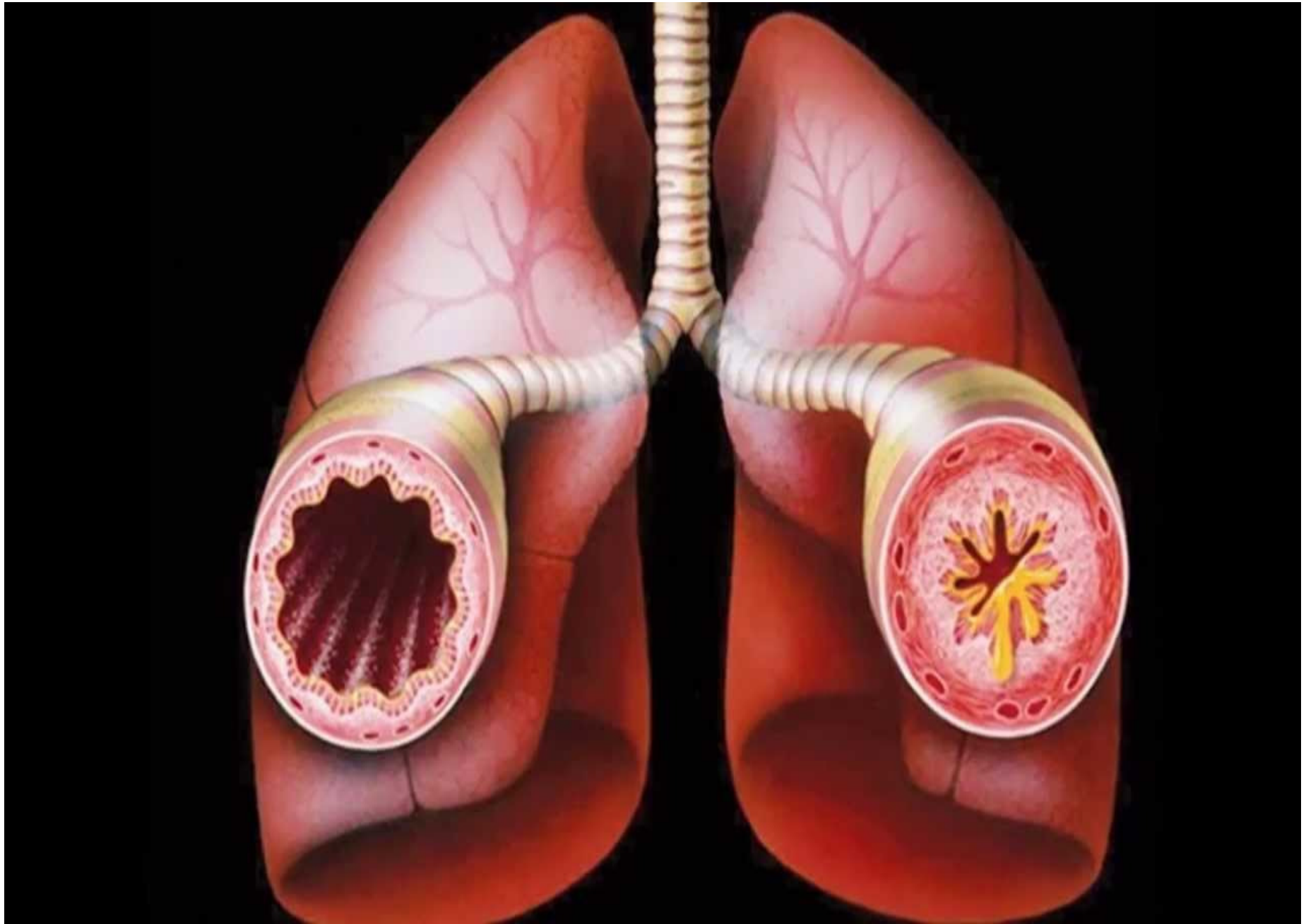


Asthmatic bronchiole

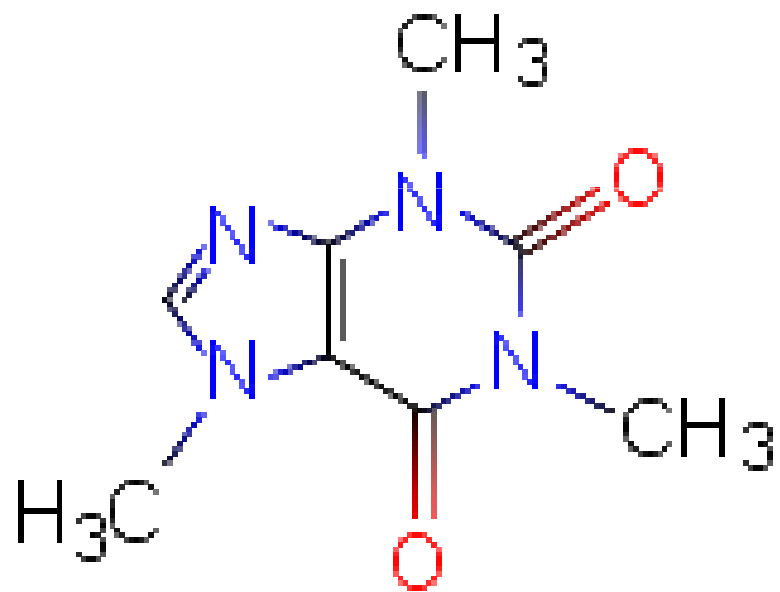


Normal bronchiole

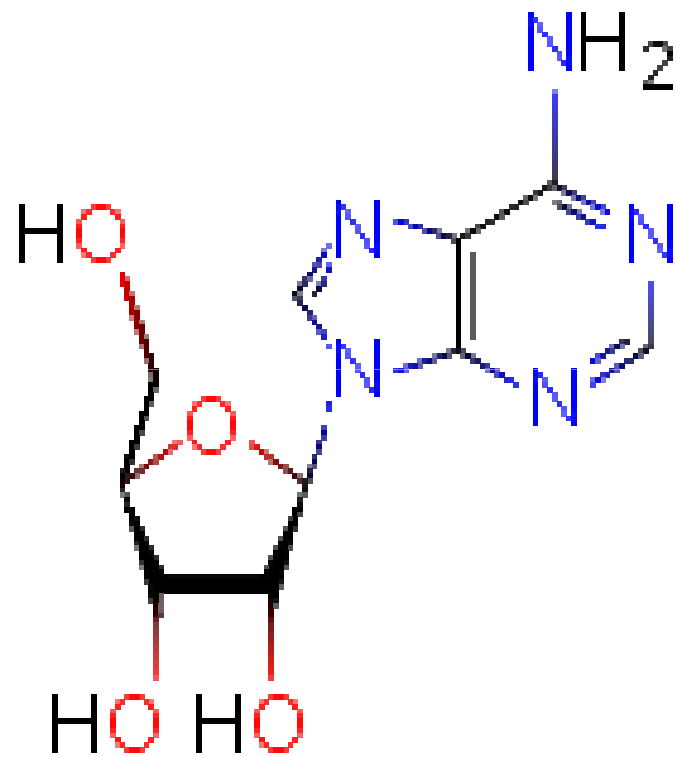
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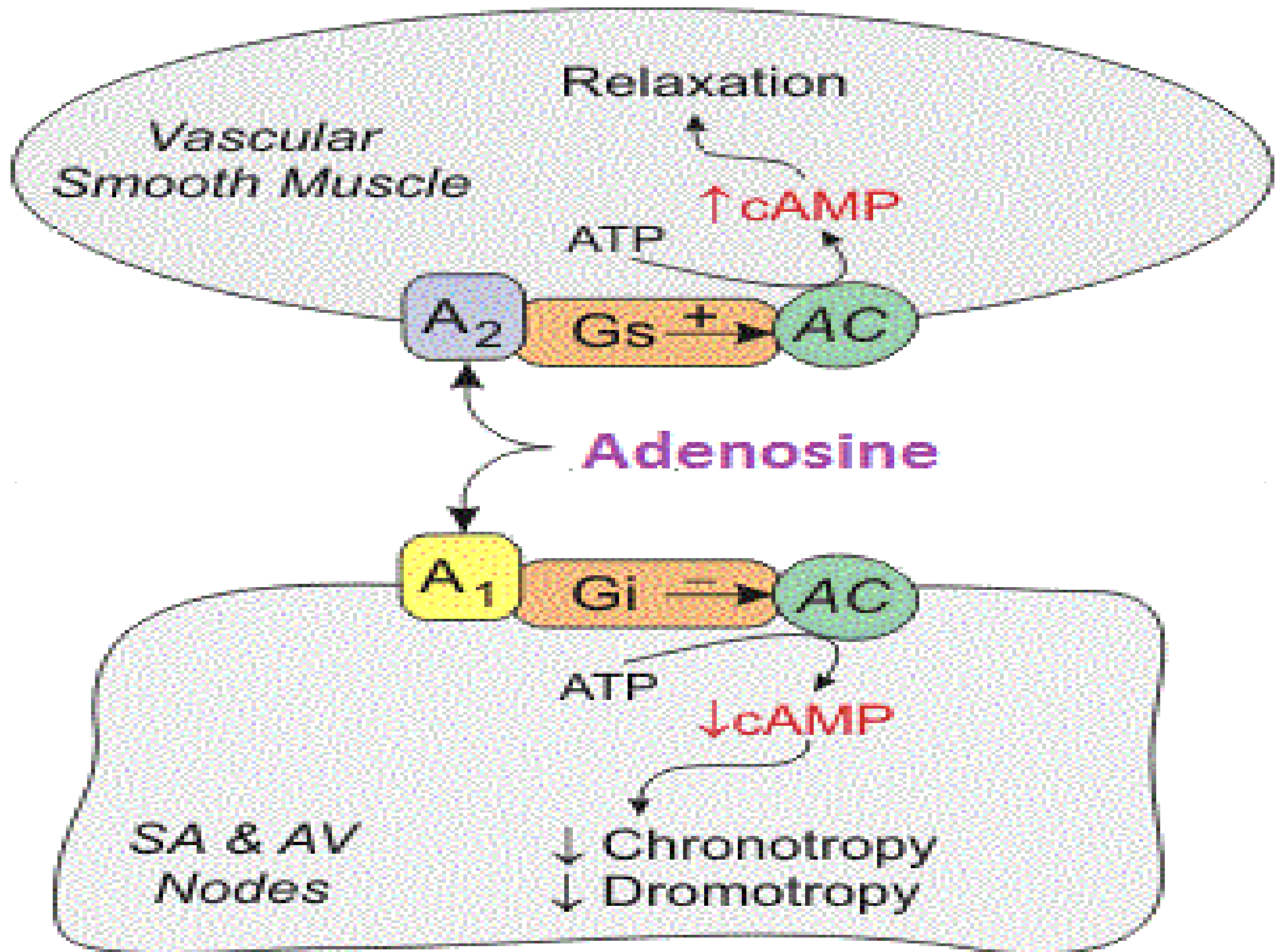




**Caffeine**



**Adenosine**

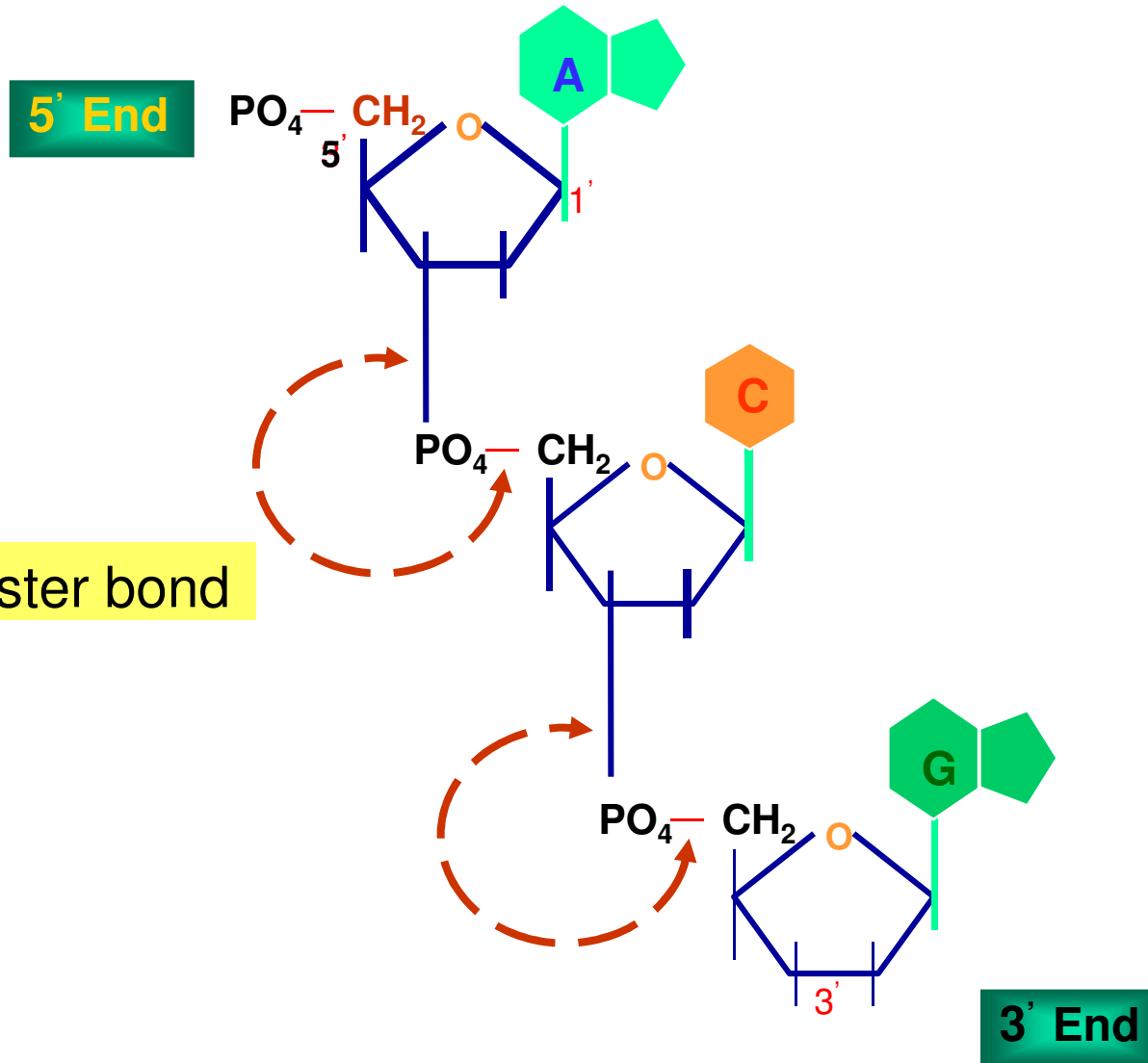


# Digestion of Nucleic acid

- ↪ Pancreatic & Intestinal Juice contain
  - ↪ **Ribonuclease , Deoxyribonuclease**
- ↪ **Nucleotidase** liberate phosphate from nucleotides.
- ↪ Resulting nucleoside are hydrolysed by **nucleosidase** forming free nitrogen base & pentose sugar.
- ↪ Dietary nitrogen base are never utilized for nucleic acid synthesis.
- ↪ They directly catabolised.



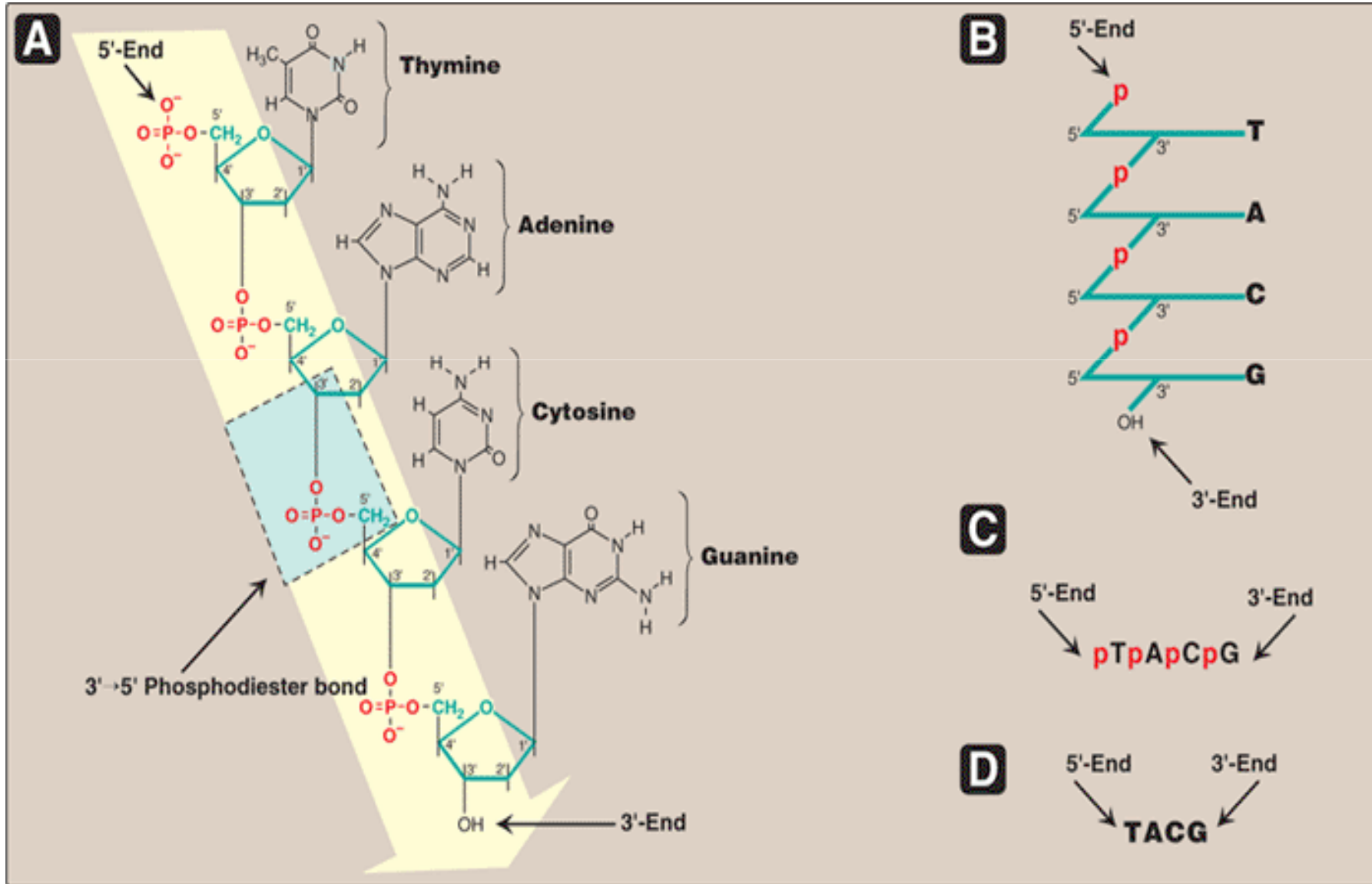
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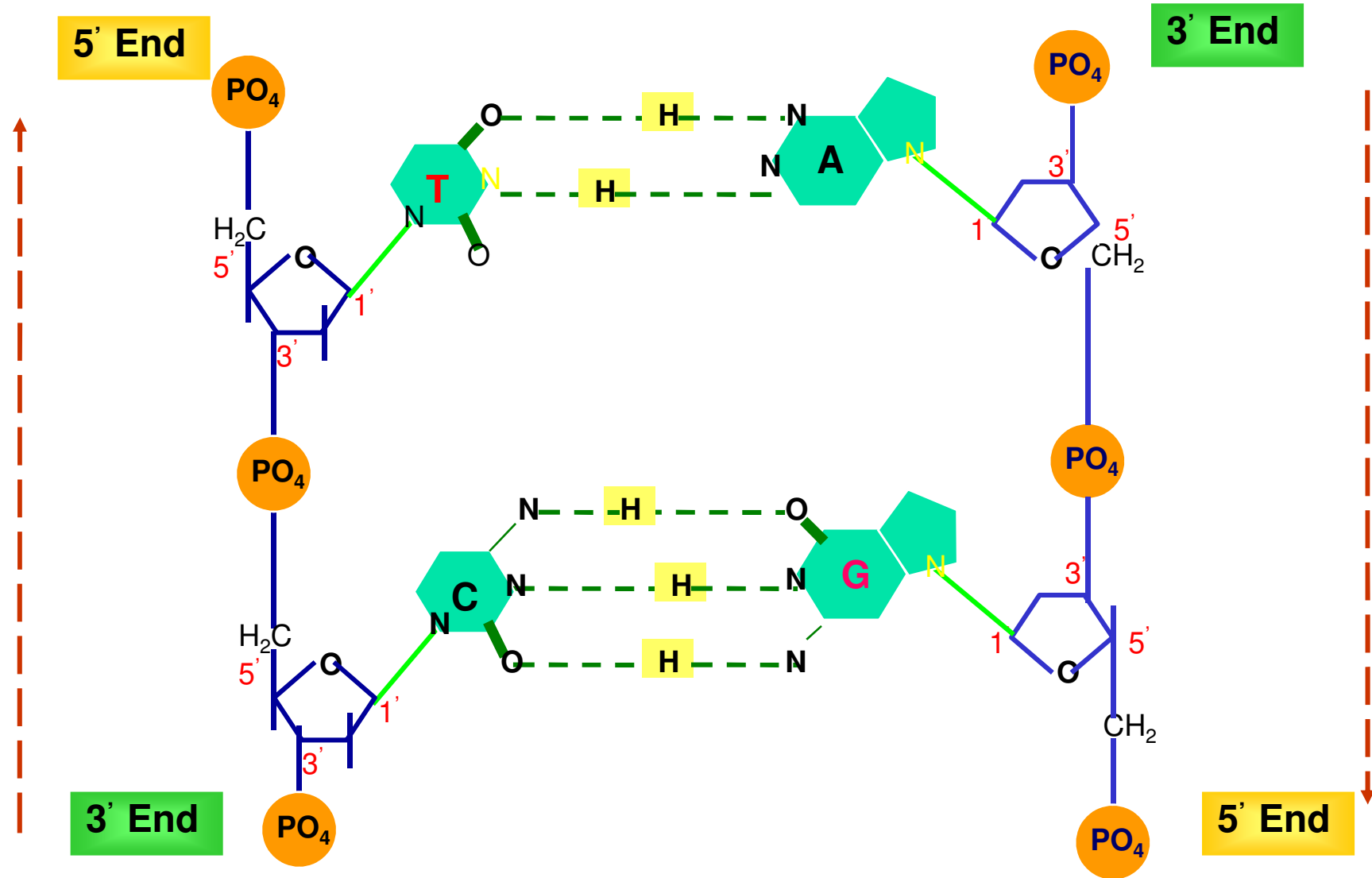
# Phosphodiester bonds

- ↪ **Phosphodiester bonds join the 3'-OH group of the deoxyribose of one nucleotide to the 5'-OH group of the deoxyribose of an adjacent nucleotide through a phosphate group**
- ↪ **The resulting unbranched chain with two ends.**
- ↪ **5'-end (the end with the free phosphate) and 3'-end (the end with the free hydroxyl)**
- ↪ **Ends are not attached to other nucleotides.**

# Nucleotide sequence of DNA read in 5' → 3' direction.



# DNA



# DNA double helix

- ↪ Look like “twisted ladder”.
- ↪ Outside = Hydrophilic = Deoxyribose–phosphate .
- ↪ Inside = Hydrophobic = Nitrogen Bases .
- ↪ Between the two strands in the helix **major (wide) and minor (narrow) groove.**
- ↪ These grooves provide
  - ⇒ access for the binding of regulatory proteins to their specific recognition sequences along the DNA chain.
  - ⇒ Anticancer drugs = **Dactinomycin (Actinomycin D)**
  - ⇒ interact into the narrow groove of the DNA double helix
  - ⇒ Thus inhibit with DNA replication and RNA synthesis.

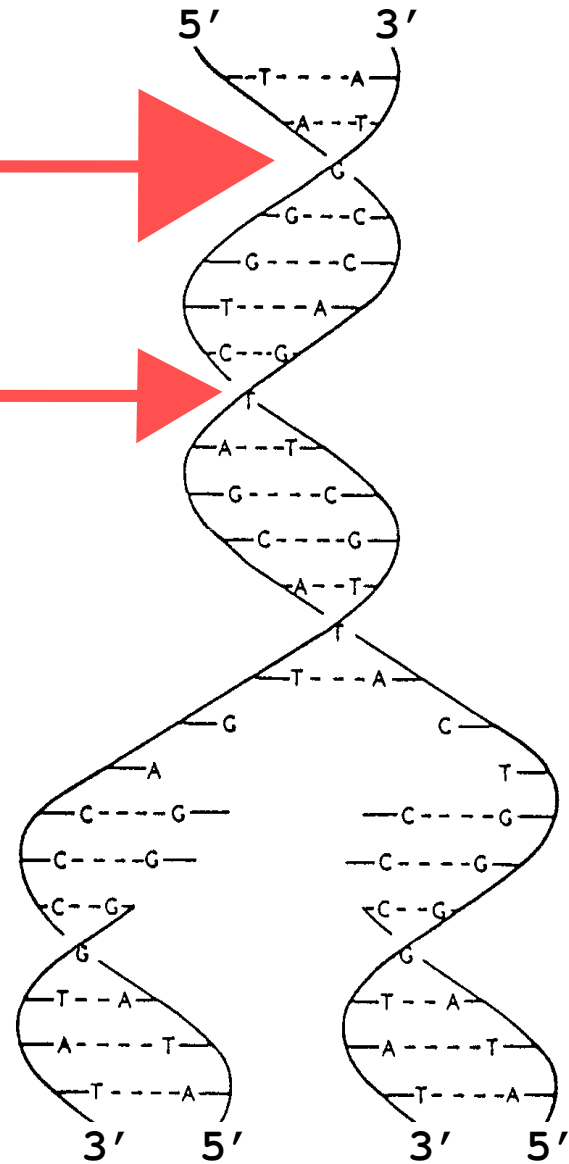
# Double-stranded DNA



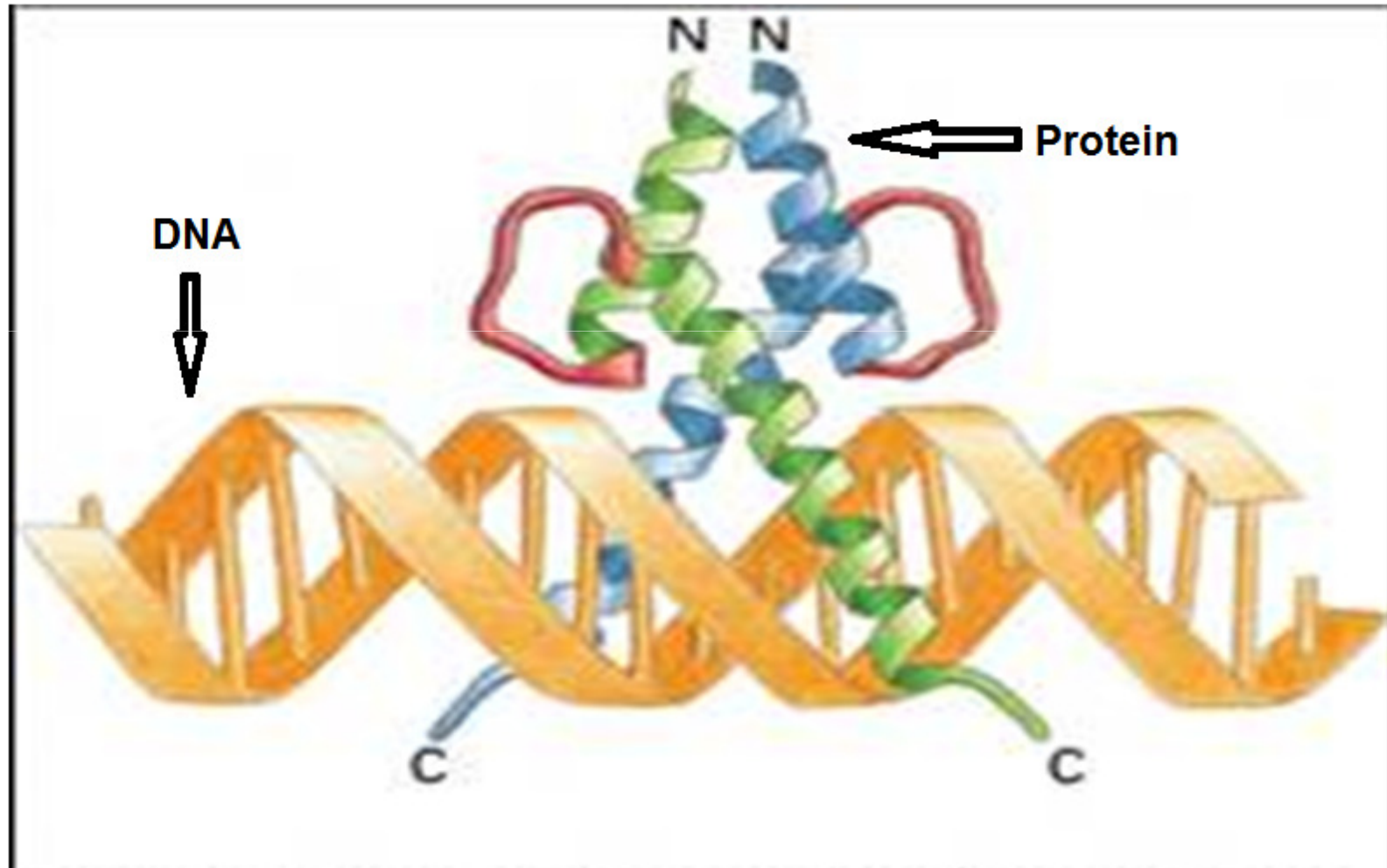
“B” DNA

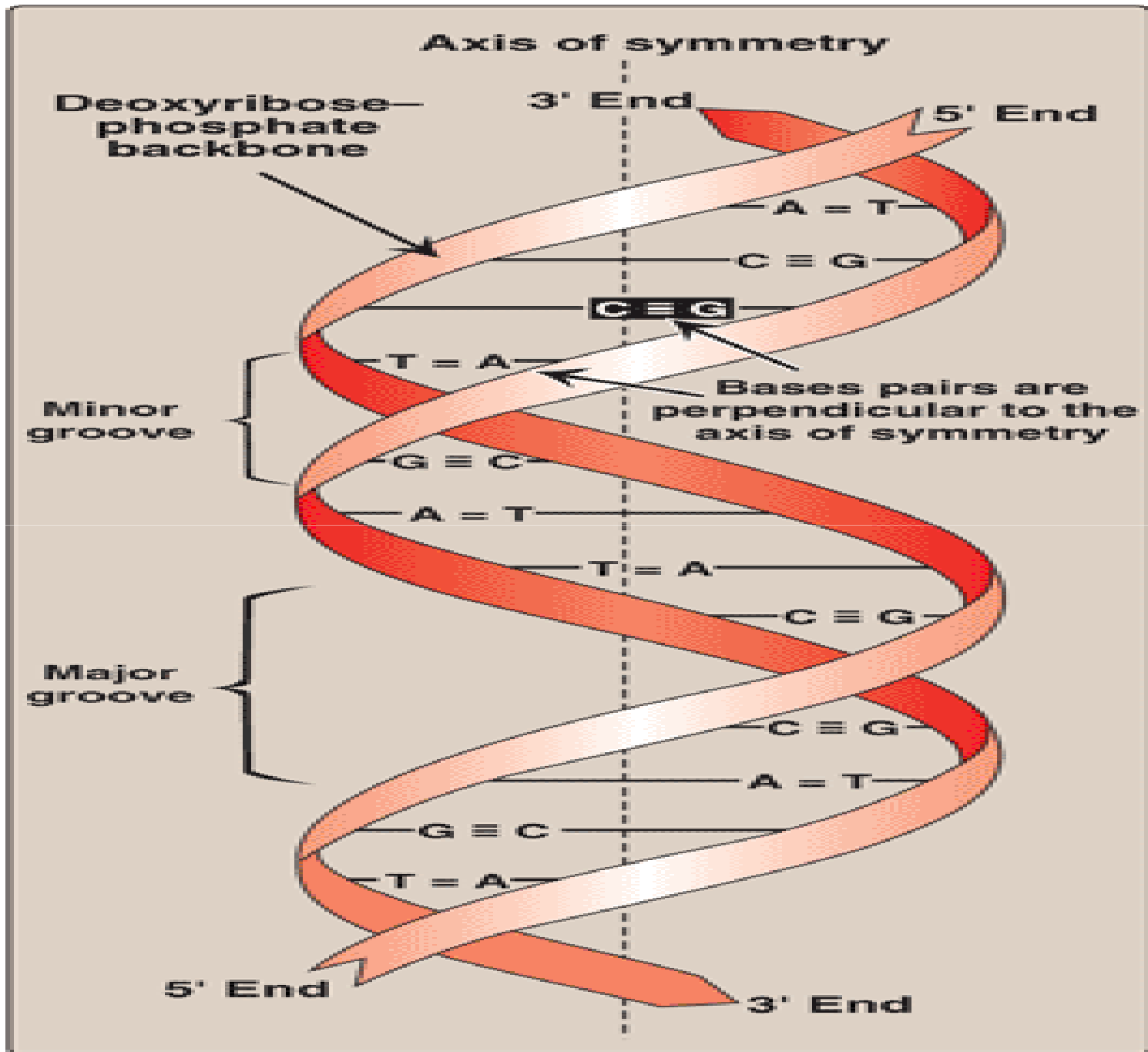
Major groove

Minor groove



What can be effect this protein binding to replicating DNA?







# DNA = Watson-Crick Model

- ✿ **Right handed Double – helix**

- ✿ Hydrogen bonding between nitrogenous bases
  - ✿ Base pairs (A with T & C with G)
- ✿ Complementary strands
- ✿ Antiparallel

- ✿ **Composed of a sugar- phosphate backbone**

- ✿ **Sugar is deoxyribose**

- ✿ **Each Spiral = 3.4 nm & 10 Base pairs**

- ✿ **Diameter of helix = 1.9 – 2.0 nm**

- ✿ **Two type of groov = Major & Minor**

- ✿ **Chargaff Rule**

- ✿ No. of Adenine is equal to No. of Thymine
- ✿ No. of Guanine is equal to No. of Cytosine

# Type of DNA

Type	Shape	Helix	Base pairs per Turn	Width	Base angle
<b>A</b>	<b>Broad</b>	<b>Right Handed</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.3 nm</b>	<b>20 Degree tilt from perpendicular line</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>Inter-mediate</b>	<b>Right Handed</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1.9 nm</b>	<b>Perpendicular</b>
<b>Z</b>	<b>Elongated</b>	<b>Left Handed</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1.8 nm</b>	

## **Nuclear DNA**

- **Present in almost every cell**
- **Nuclear DNA is larger in size**

## **Mitochondrial DNA**

- **Each cell contains thousands of mt,**
- **Mt DNA is in larger quantities in a cell**

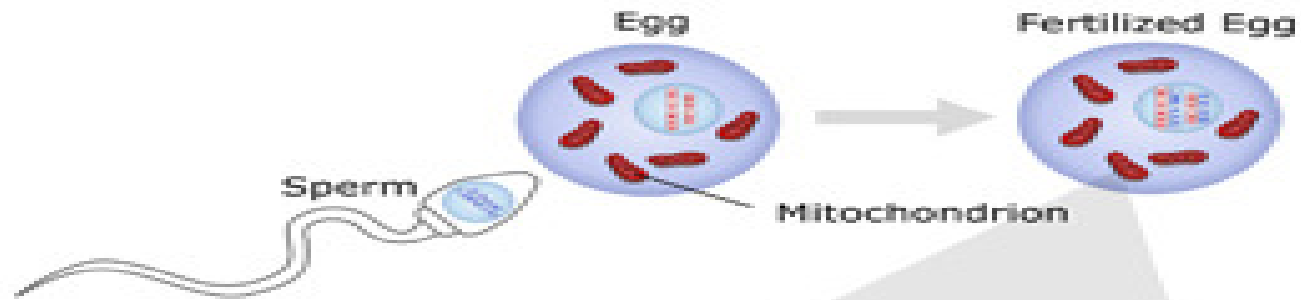
Mt DNA = 16,569 bases in length

- It's Code for
    - 13 proteins of respiratory chain
    - 22tRNAs,
    - 2rRNAs needed for cell respiration
    - This region has very little variability
    - So everyone's DNA in this region will be nearly the same sequence of TGCAs
- 5 – 10 times high mutation rate than nuclear

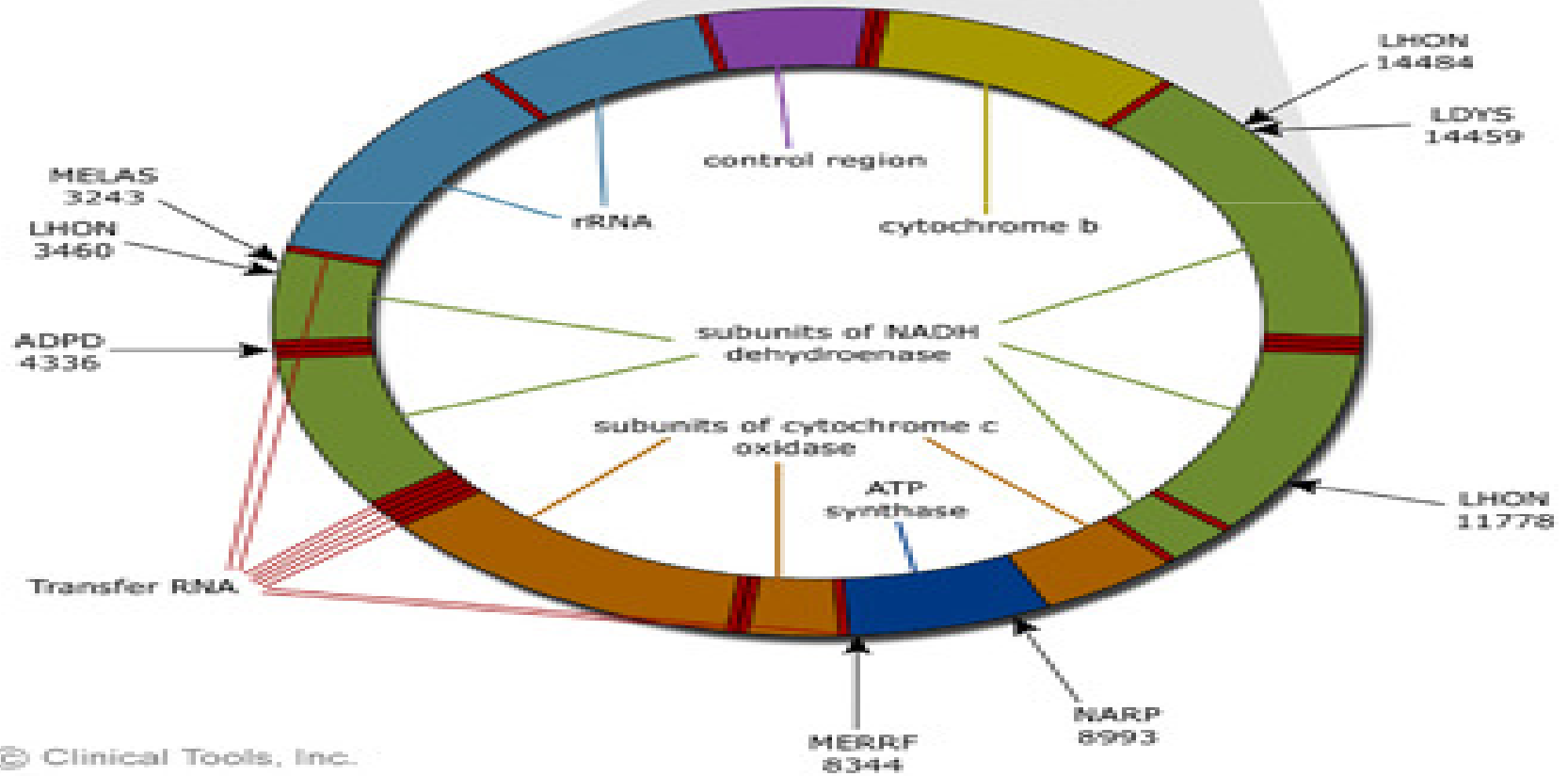
# Mt DNA is inherited from mom

- **Every sibling will get their mt DNA from their mother**
- **Why?**
- **During fertilization, When egg and sperm join ,only female mitochondria survive. So Mother mitochondrial DNA are passed onto to new baby.**



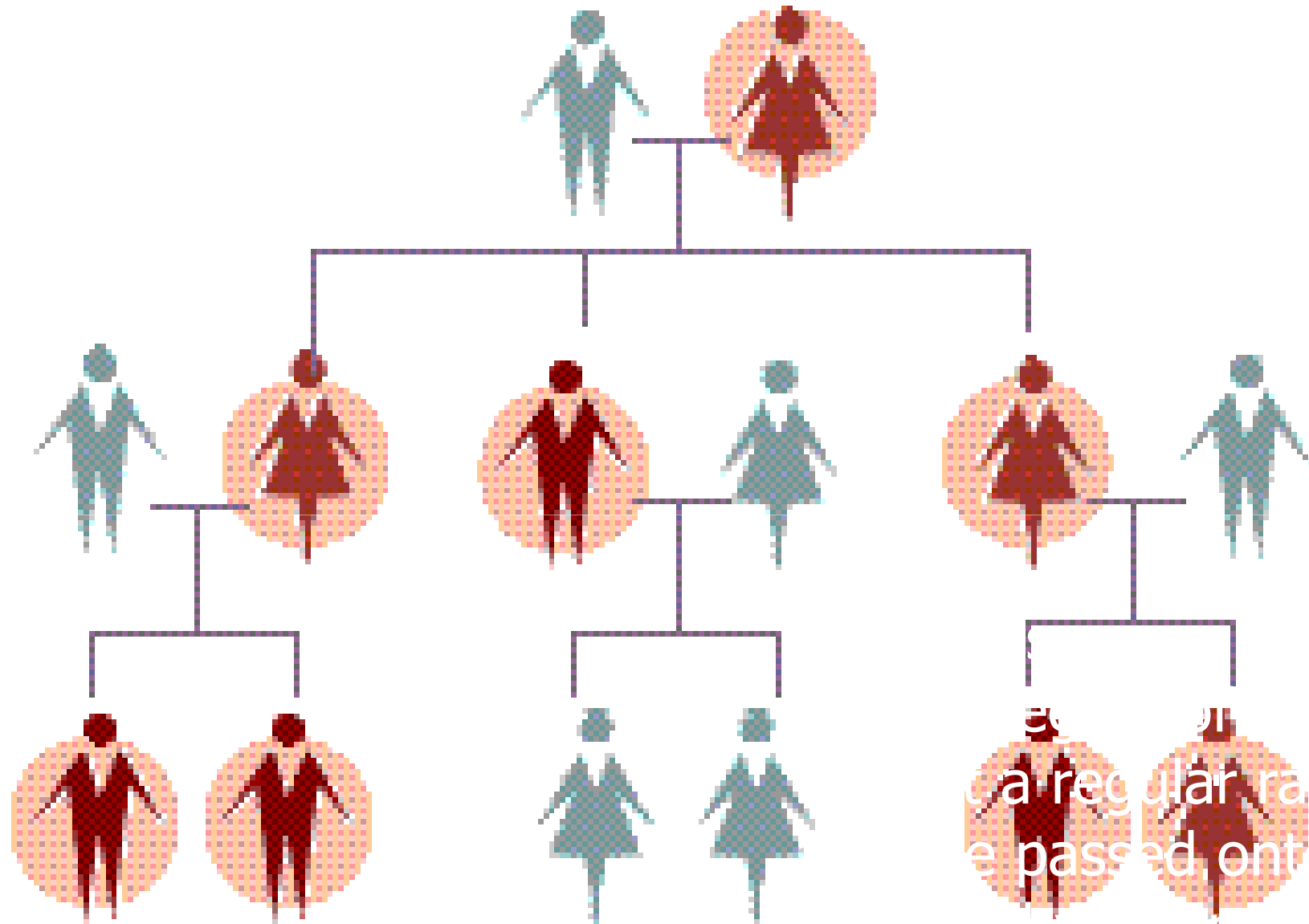


### Mitochondrial DNA



# Why Mother?

- Egg contains
  - 23 chromosomes
  - cell cytoplasm which contains thousands of maternal mitochondria.
- Sperm contains
  - 23 chromosomes
  - very little cytoplasm



Mitochondrial DNA Inheritance

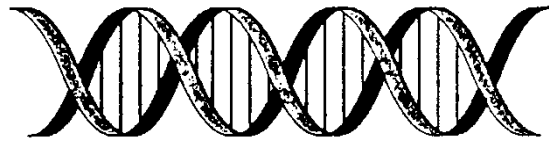


# Mitochondrial Disease

- Mitochondrial myopathy
- Leber's hereditary optic neuropathy
- Leigh syndrome,
- Neuropathy
- Ataxia
- Retinitis pigmentosa
- Myoneurogenic gastrointestinal encephalopathy
- Myoclonic Epilepsy with Ragged Red Fibers Mitochondrial myopathy, encephalomyopathy, lactic acidosis, stroke-like symptoms (MELAS)
- mitochondrial neurogastrointestinal encephalomyopathy (MNGIE)

# Denaturation of DNA

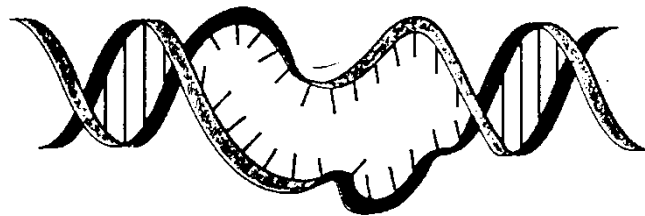
**Double-stranded DNA**



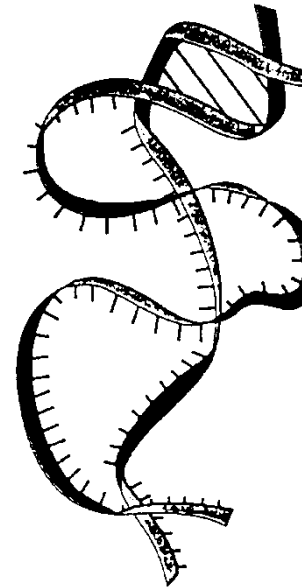
**Strand separation  
and formation of  
single-stranded  
random coils**



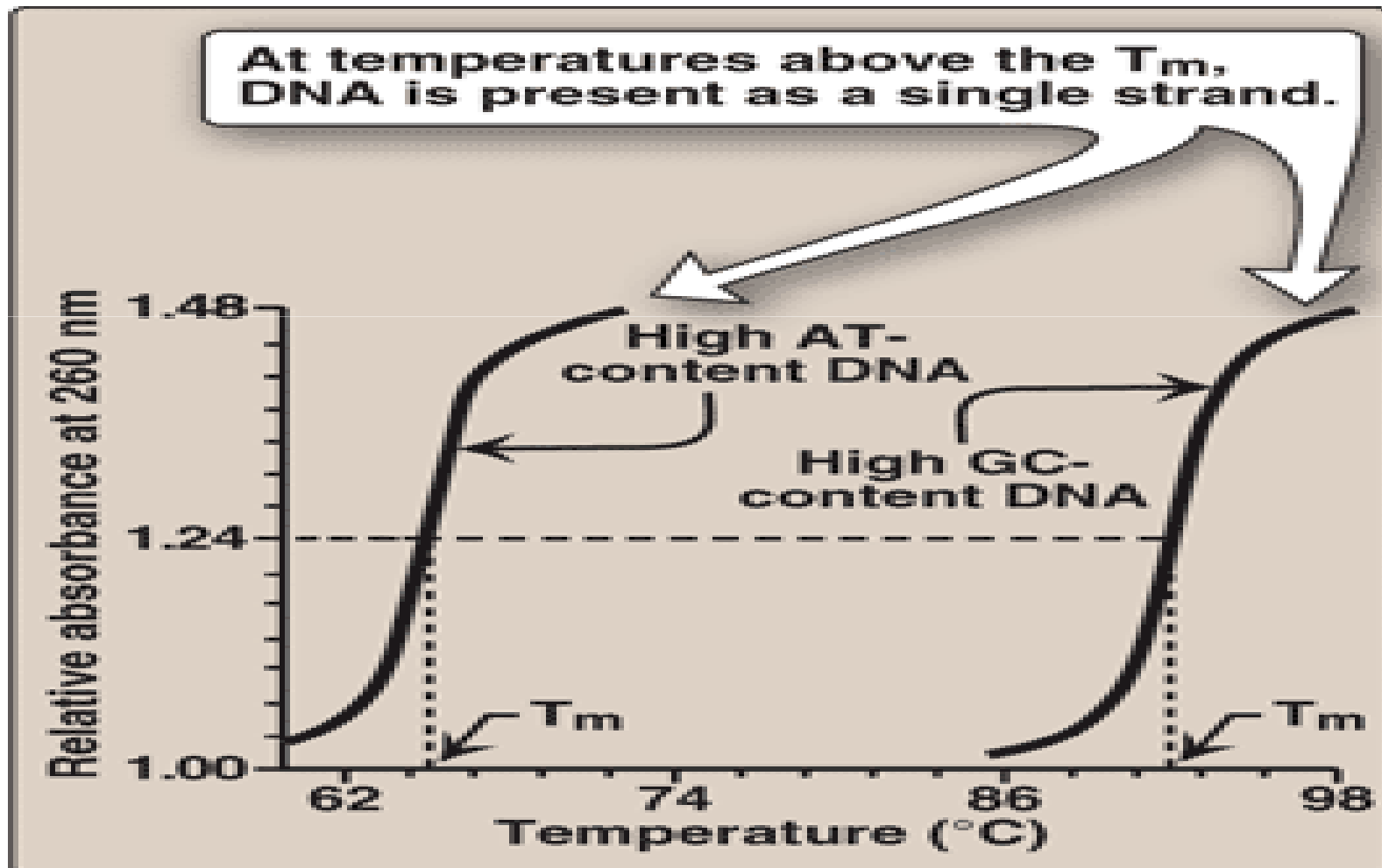
**Extremes in pH or high temperature  
A-T rich regions denature first**



**Cooperative unwinding  
of the DNA strands**



## T<sub>m</sub> for DNA Denaturation



# Intron ,Exon & Cistron

↻ Only 10% of the human DNA contain gene

## ↻ Exon

↻ Segments of gene coding for protein.(Expressed region)

## ↻ Intron

↻ Nonfunctional (Not Expressed for Protein)

↻ Interspaced in the DNA with silent areas.

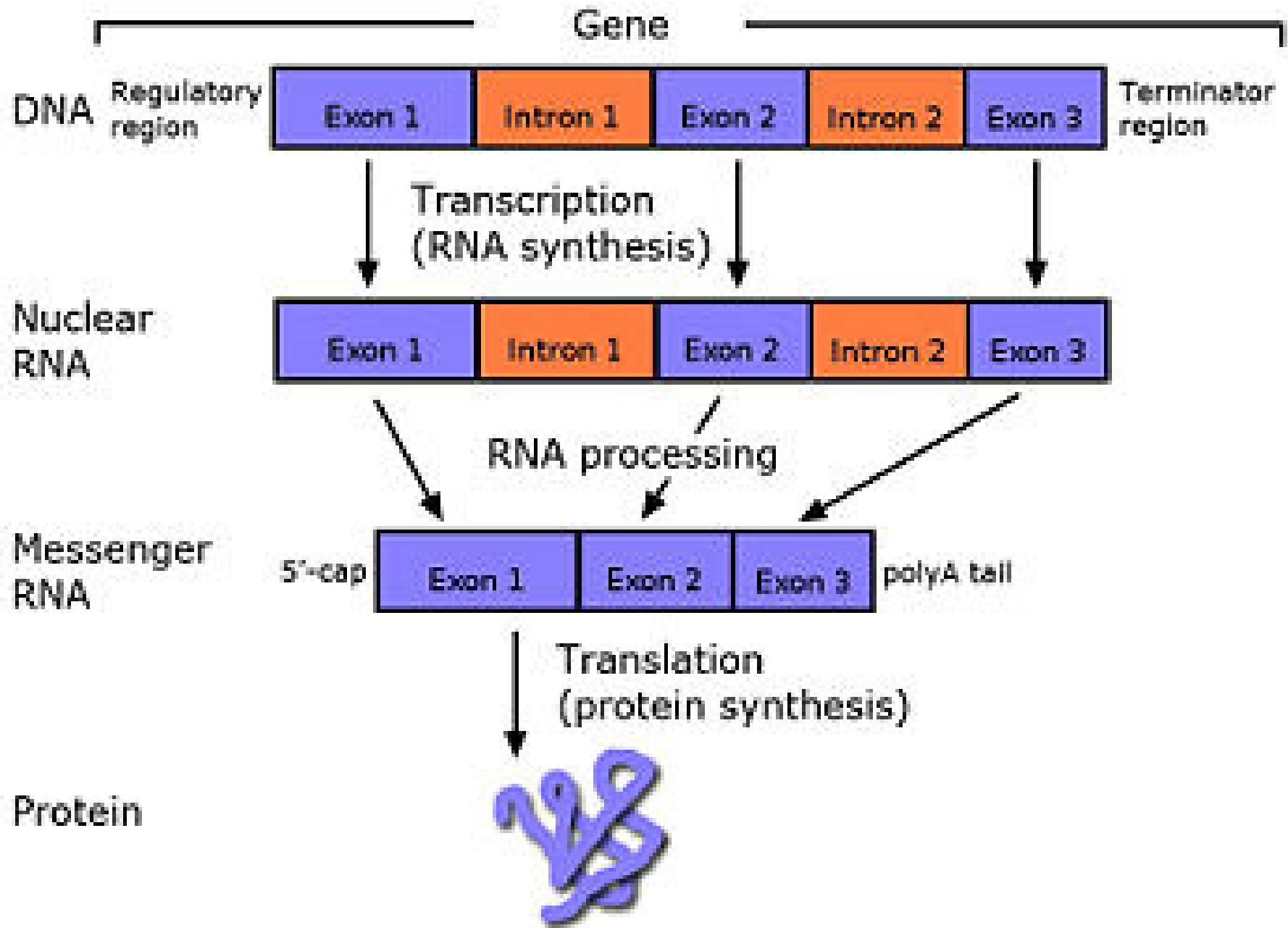
↻ Serve as basis for future genes.

↻ For evolution of new genes

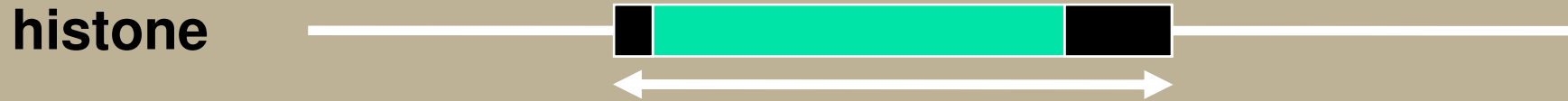
## ↻ Cistron

↻ The unit of genetic expression

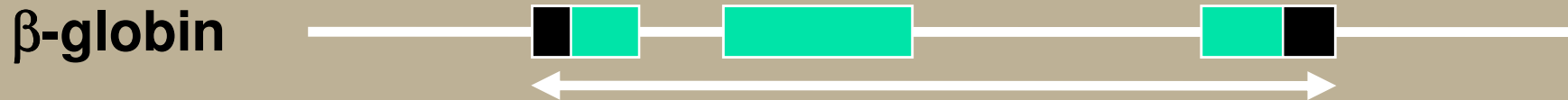
↻ One Cistron will code for one polypeptide chain.



## The (exon-intron-exon)<sub>n</sub> structure of various genes



total = 400 bp; exon = 400 bp



total = 1,660 bp; exons = 990 bp



total = 42,830 bp; exons = 1263 bp



total = ~186,000 bp; exons = ~9,000 bp

## **Human genome**

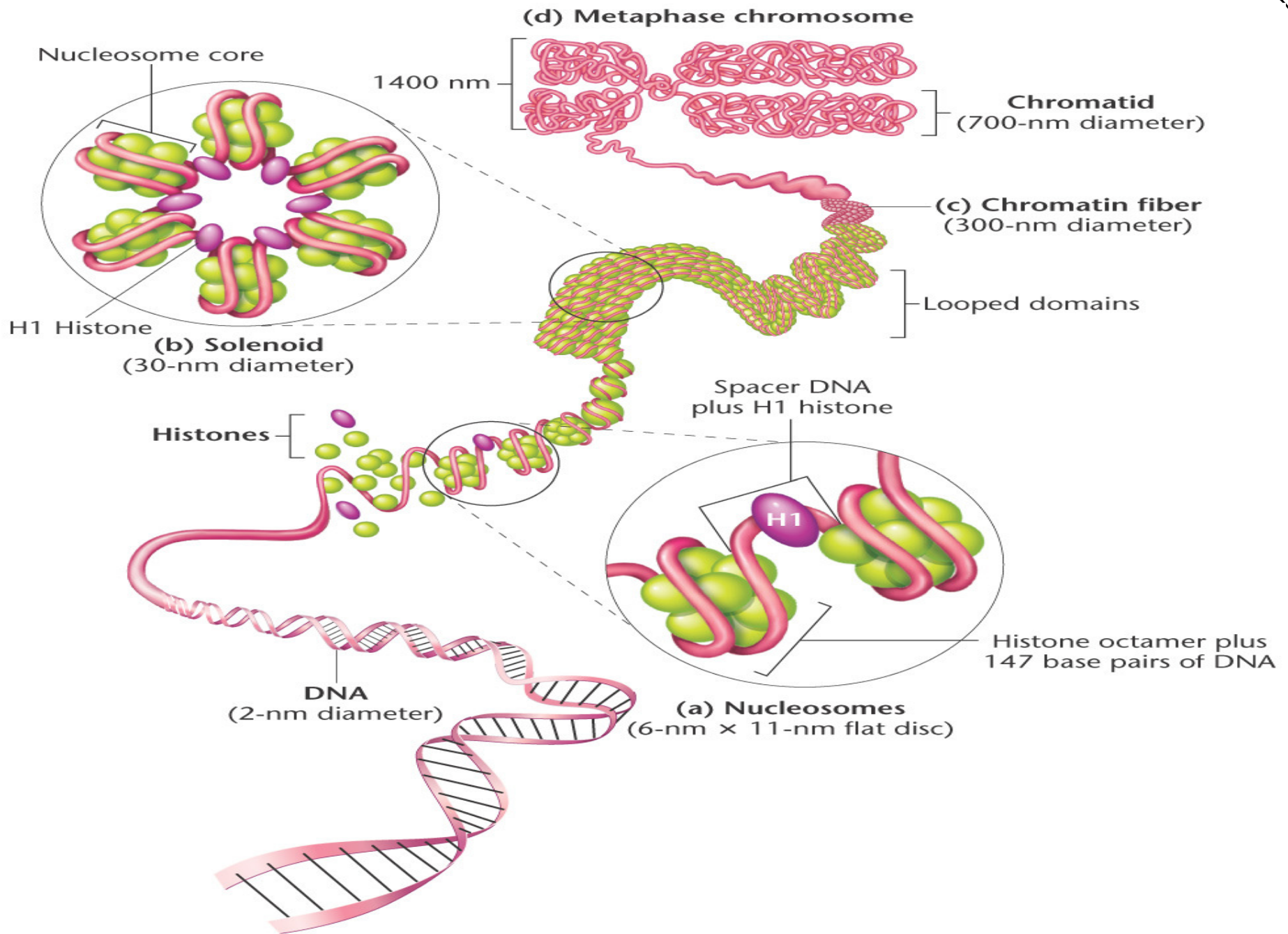
- **~3 X 10<sup>9</sup> bp of DNA**
- **30,000 to 40,000 genes**
- **Any Genes can have 1 to >75 exons**
- **Genes can be = in length from <100 to >2,300,000 bp**

## **Mitochondrial genome**

- **Circular genome of ~17,000 bp**
- **Contains <40 genes**

# Condensation of DNA





# Mathematic behind Condensation

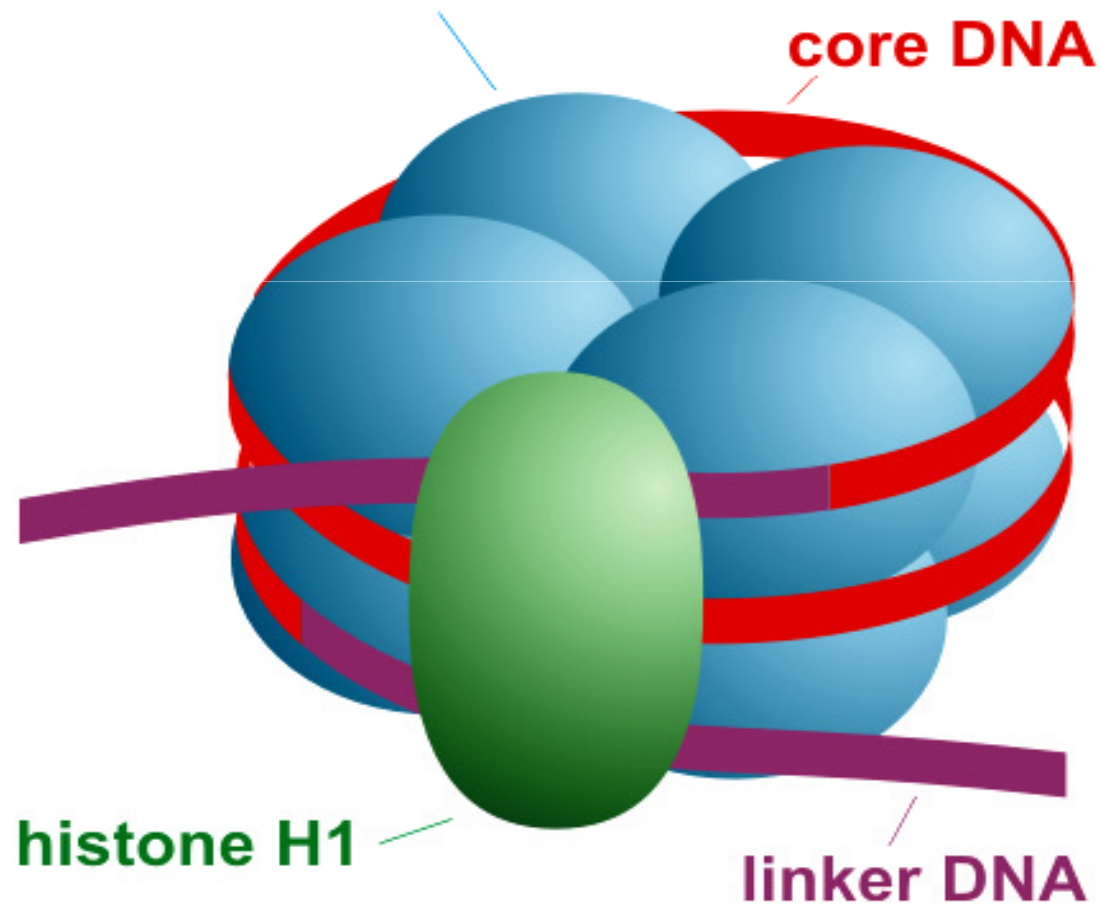
- Human genome (in diploid cells) =  $6 \times 10^9$  bp
- $6 \times 10^9$  bp  $\times$  0.34 nm/bp =  $2.04 \times 10^9$  nm = 2 m/cell
- Very thin (2.0 nm), Extremely fragile
- Diameter of nucleus = 5-10  $\mu$ m
- DNA must be packaged to protect it,
- But it must still be accessible to allow gene expression and cellular responsiveness

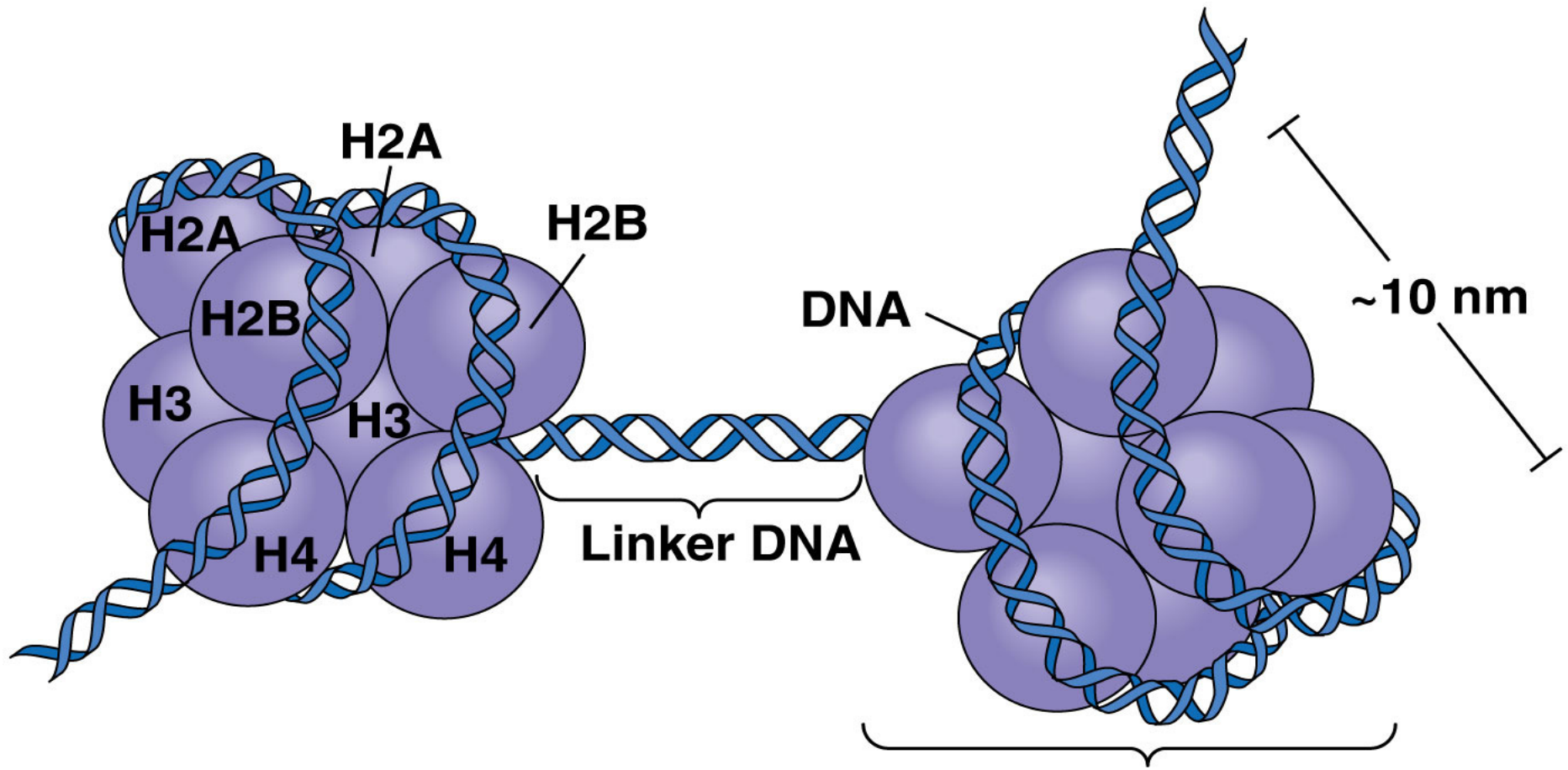
# HISTONES

- Main packaging proteins
- 5 classes: H1, H2A, H2B, H3, H4.
- Rich in Lysine and Arginine
- DNA wraps around it  $1 \frac{3}{4}$  times for a 7-fold condensation factor.

# Nucleosome

octamer of core histones:  
H2A, H2B, H3, H4 (each one  $\times 2$ )





**Nucleosome "bead"**  
**(8 histone molecules +  
146 base pairs of DNA)**

# Nucleosome

**H2B**

**H2A**

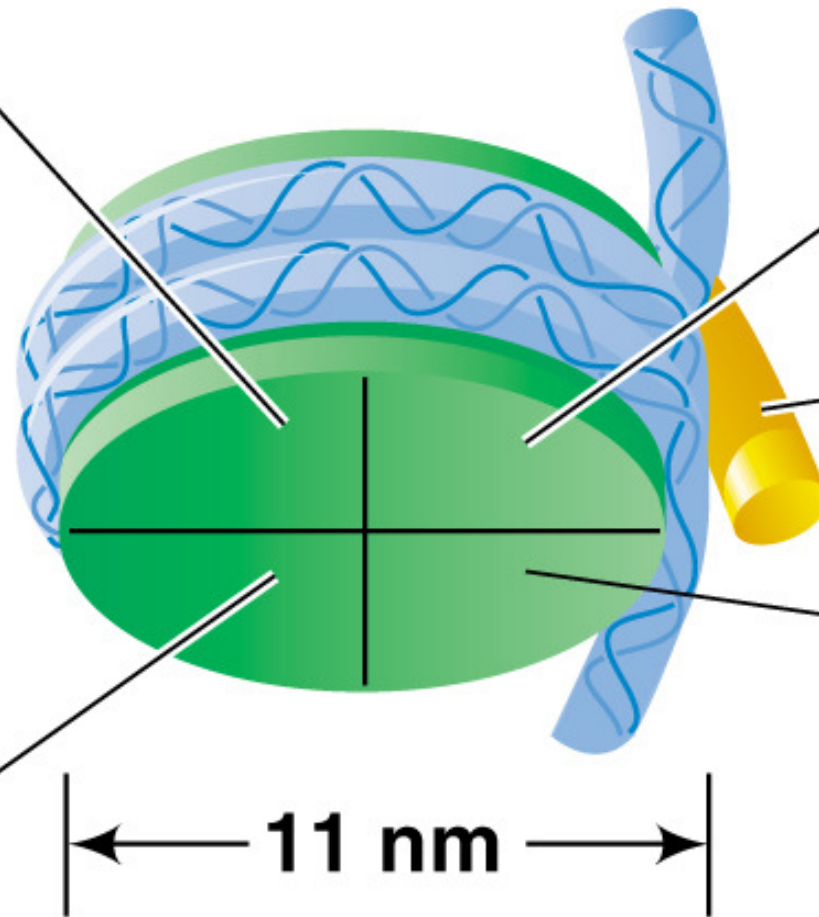
**5.7 nm**

**H1**

**H3**

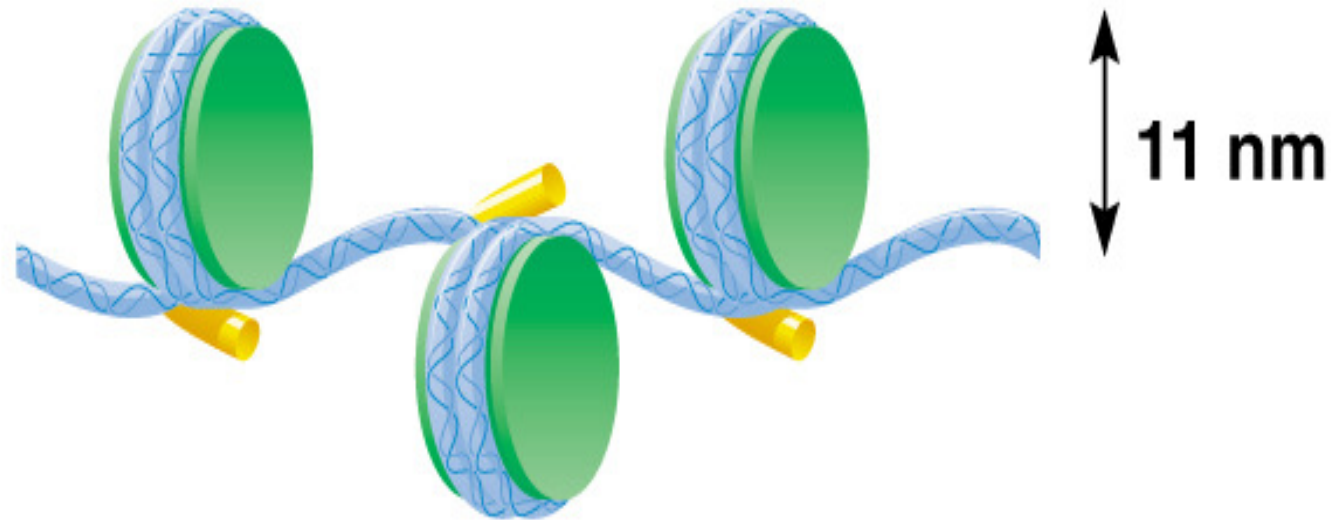
**H4**

**11 nm**

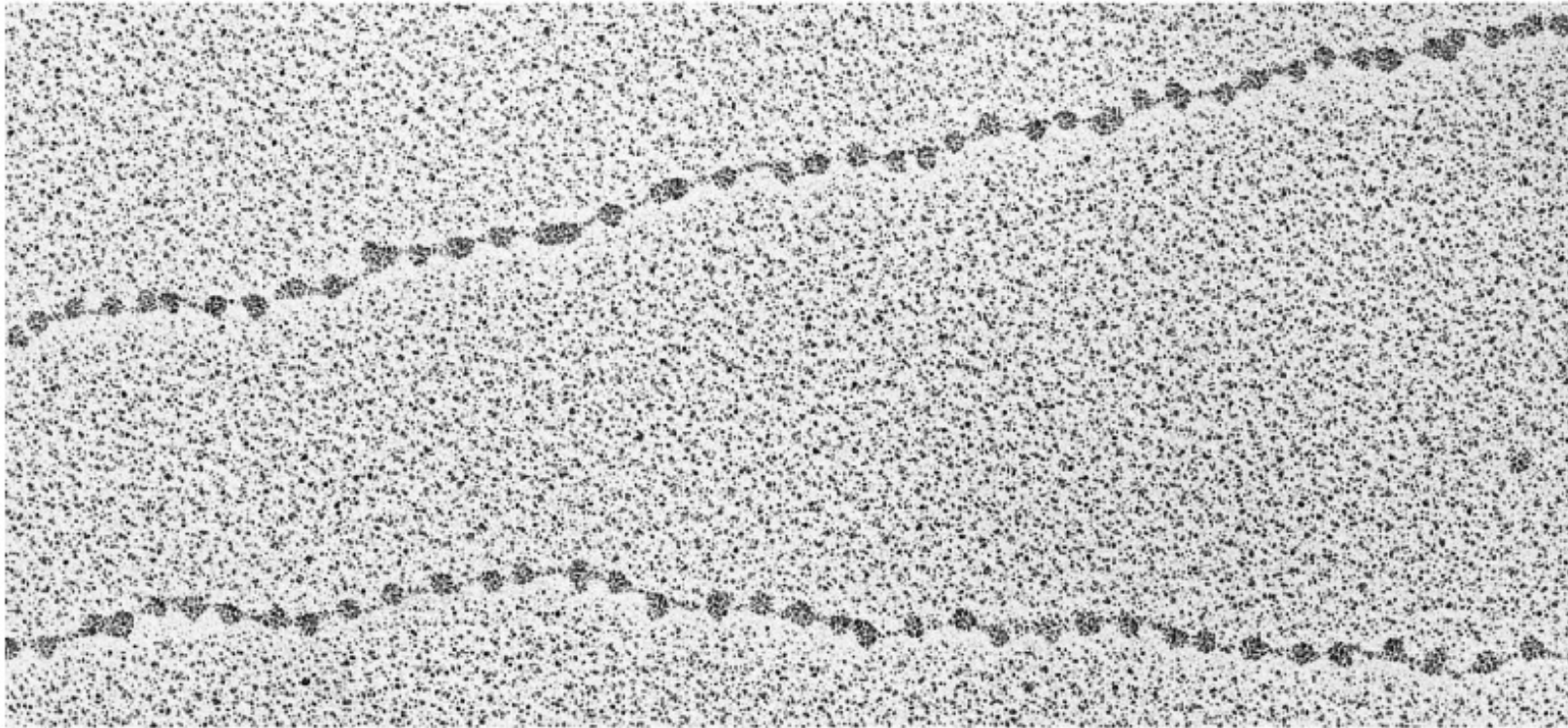


# Chromatin fibril

**Beads-on-a-string  
form of  
chromatin**



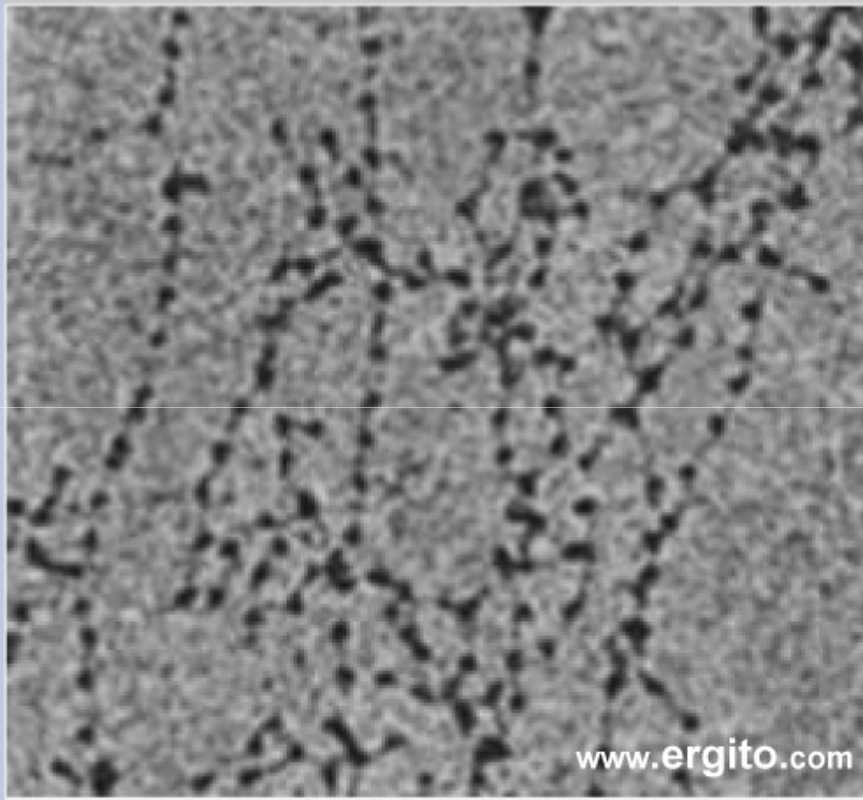
# Beads on a String—10 nm Fiber



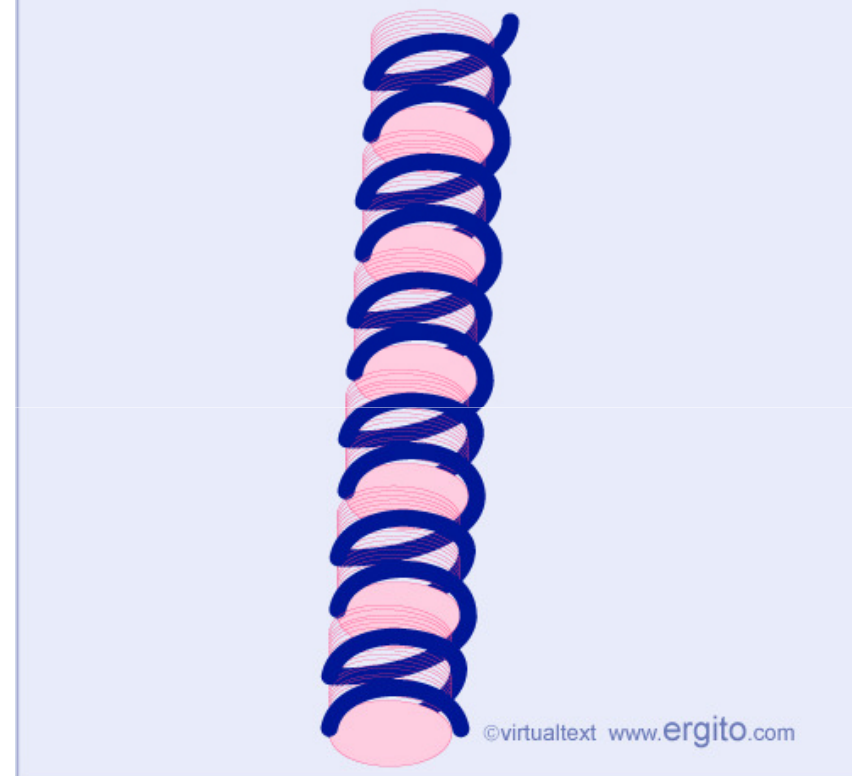


# 10 nm Fiber

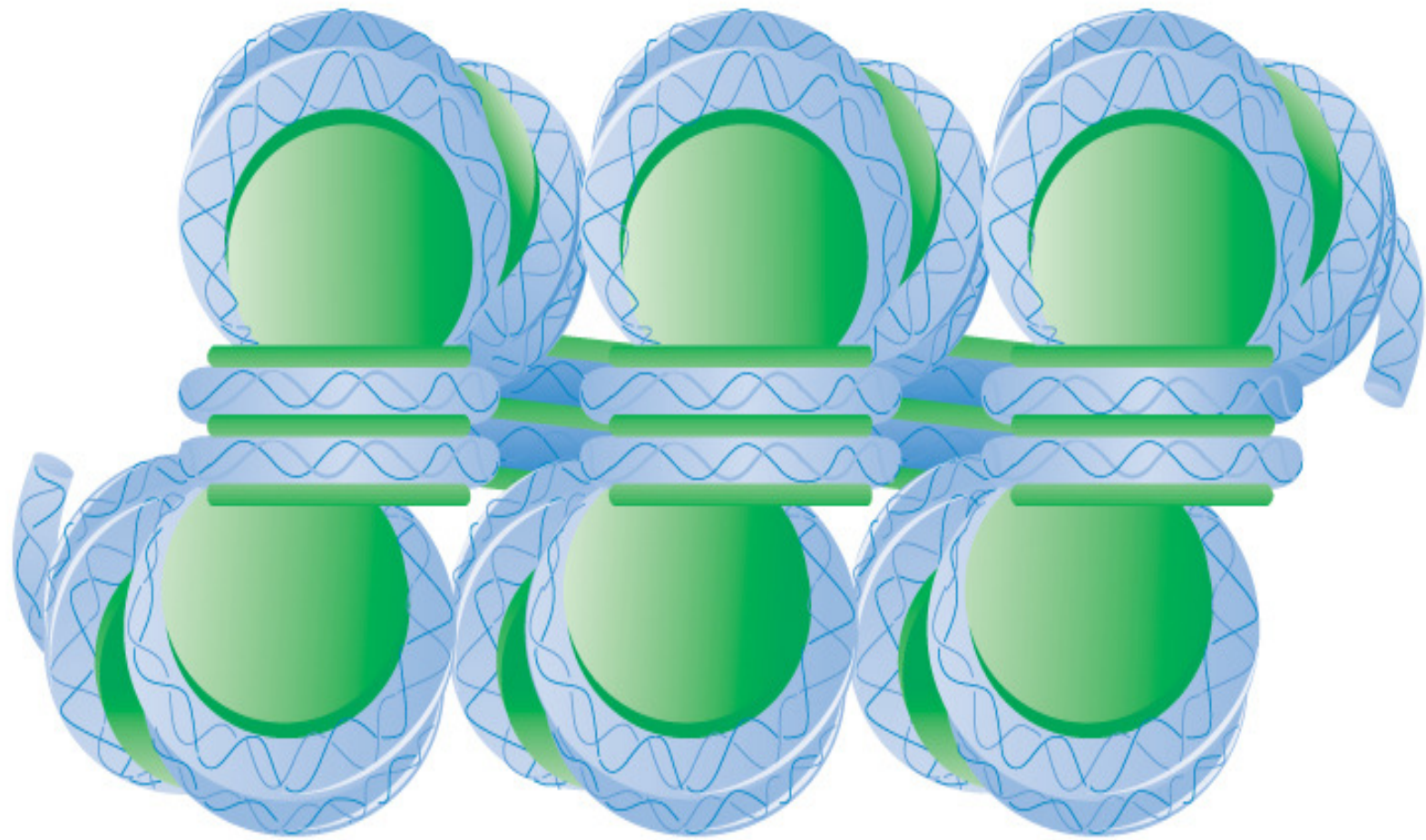
Chromatin is a thread of nucleosomes



10 nm fiber consists of nucleosomes



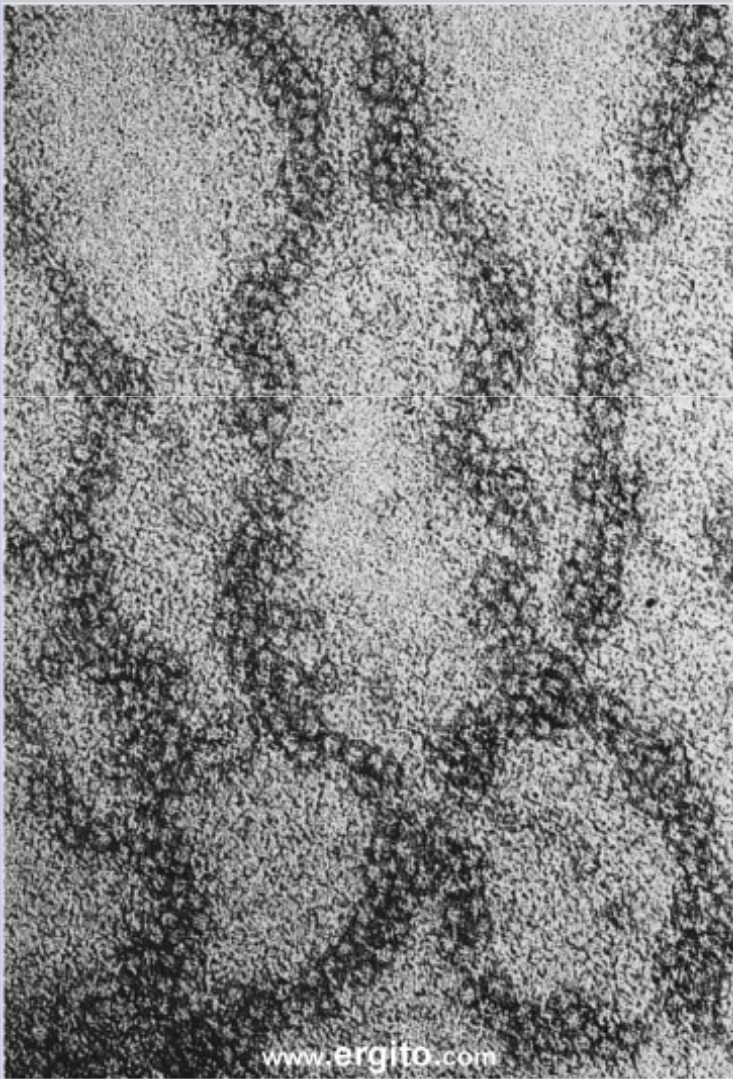
- A string of nucleosomes is seen under EM as a 10 nm fiber



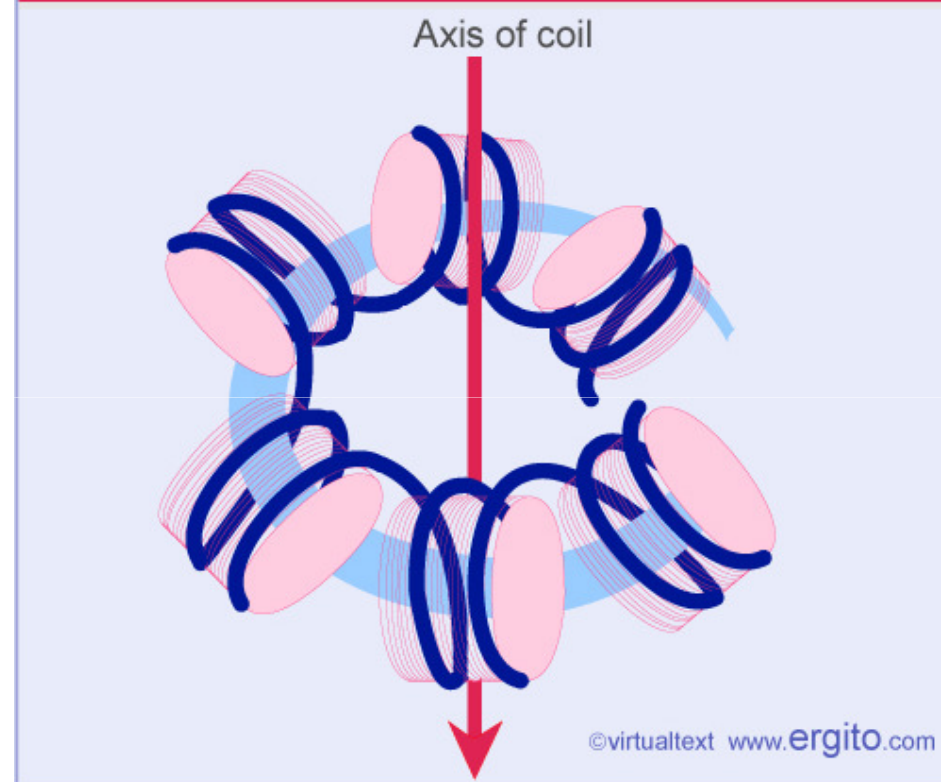
**b)**

# 30 nm Chromatin Fibril

The 30 nm thread is a coiled coil



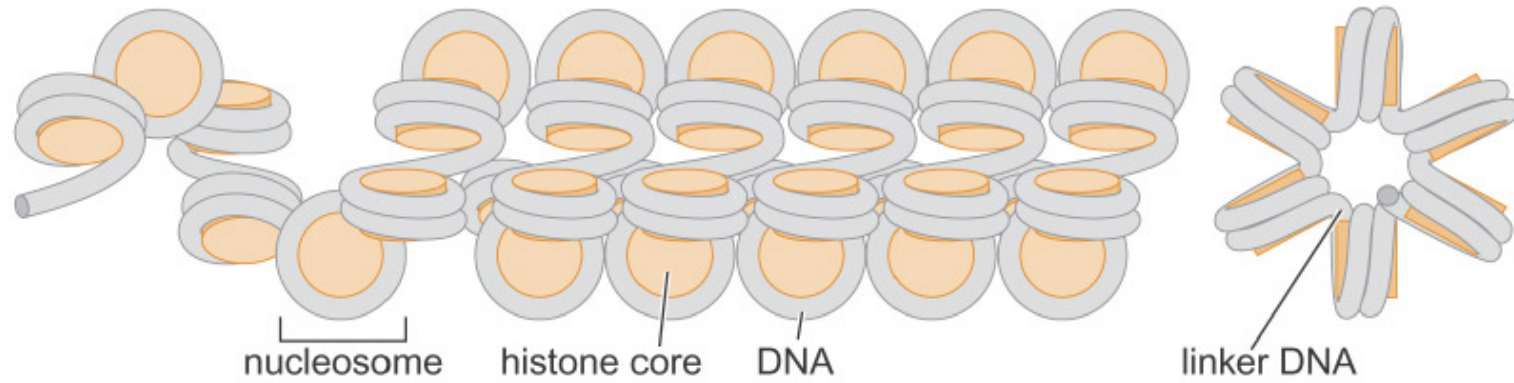
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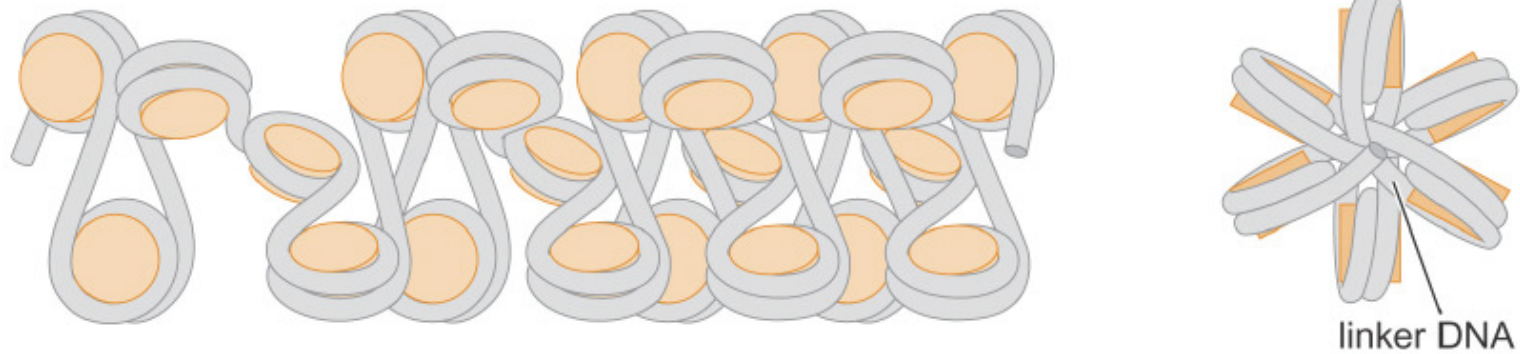
- 30 nm fiber is coil of nucleosomes with 6/turn

# The 30 nm Fiber (Compacts DNA 7X more)

**a** solenoid



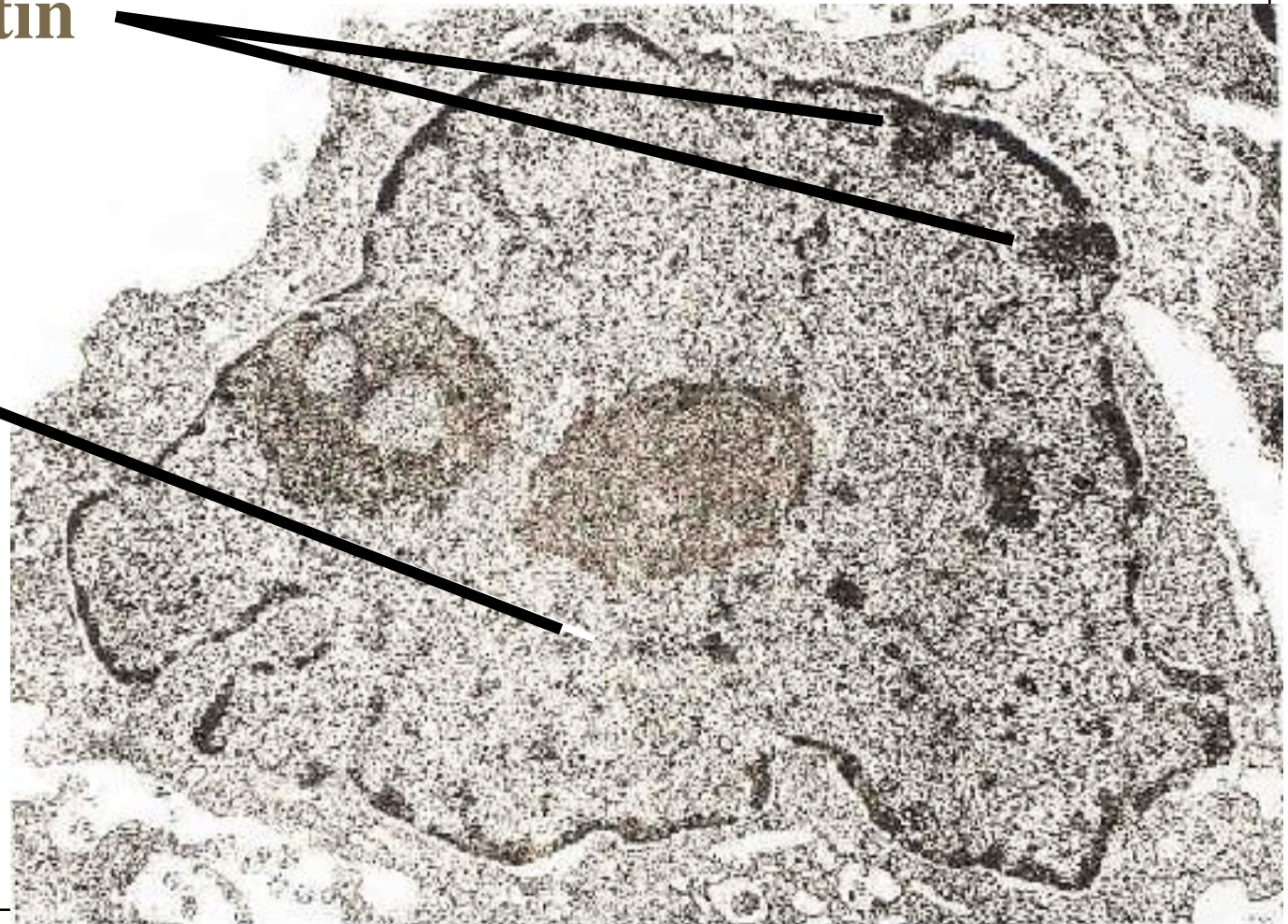
**b** zigzag



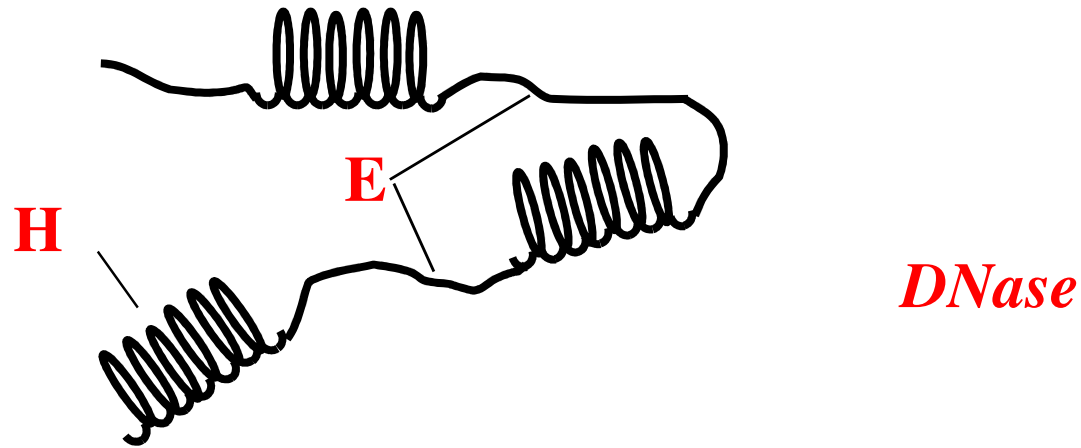
# Different forms of chromatin show differential gene activity

**Heterochromatin**

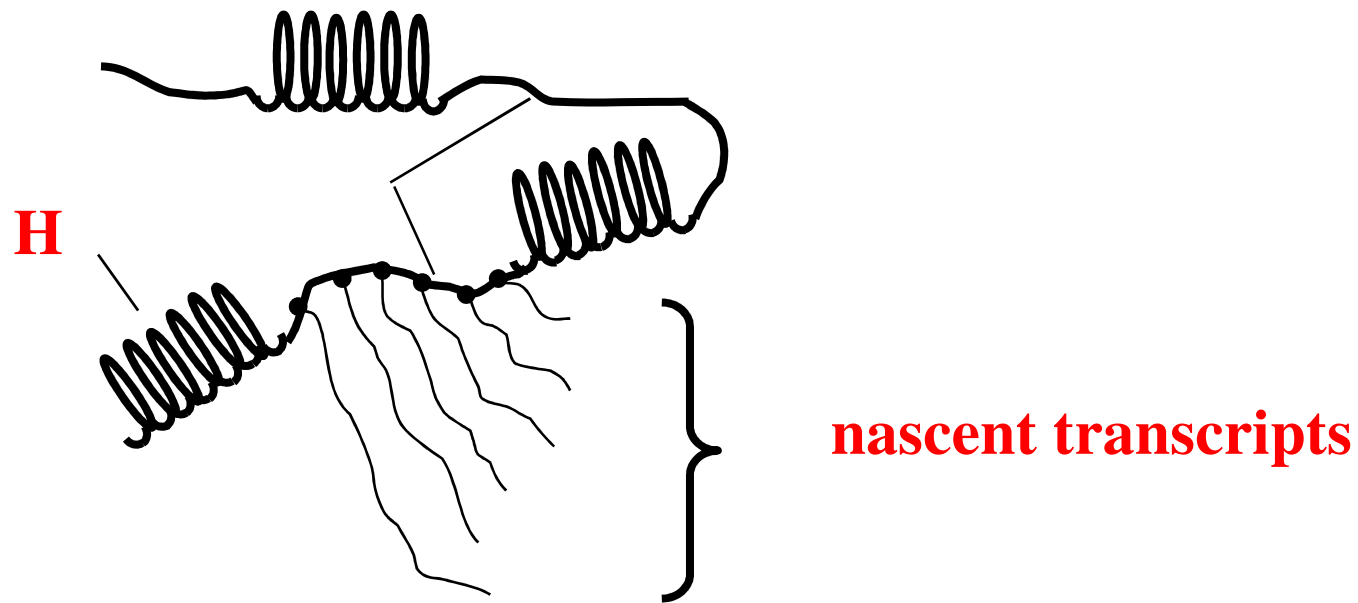
**Euchromatin**



# Euchromatin (E) vs Heterochromatin (H)



**Heterochromatin = More condensed**  
**=(tightly packed)**  
**= Resistant to DNase digestion.**



Transcriptionally active DNA (an active gene) is in euchromatin.

# Histones (H1, H2A, H2B, H3, H4)

- Small nucleio-proteins
- Arginine or Lysine rich: positively charged
- Interact with negatively (due to phosphate) charged DNA
- Following modification decrease positive charge of DNA
  - ✓ Phosphorylation
  - ✓ Poly(ADP) ribosylation
  - ✓ Methylation
  - ✓ Acetylation
    - *Hypoacetylation*  
associate with transcriptional repression
    - *Hyperacetylation*  
associate with transcriptional activation



- ↪ **Modified Nucleotide & it's significant.**
- ↪ **DNA replication is semi-conservative.**

# Gar (Hostel)-Kam

- Name a condition which can happen due to increase serum uric acid level (**Hyperuricemia**).
- What is difference between uric acid and urate crystal?
- Which part of body especially get affected due to hyperuricemia?
- What type of food ingestion can cause hyperuricemia ?
- Which type of condition can increase purine degradation and increase serum uric acid level?
- Which type of condition can decrease excretion of uric acid , which makes increase serum uric acid level?
- What is role of Allopurinol to correct hyperuricemia ?

↪ **If a section of DNA has 13% thymine and 37% guanine, then there is \_\_\_\_\_ adenine.**

- ⇒ 13%
- ⇒ 26%
- ⇒ 37%
- ⇒ 74%

↪ **The percentage of A + G equals \_\_\_\_\_.**

⇒ 26 %

⇒ 50 %

⇒ 80 %

⇒ 100 %

↪ **The sequence of one strand of DNA is 5' TCGATC 3'. The sequence of the complementary strand would be**

- ➔ 5' AGCTAG 3'
- ➔ 5' CTAGCT 3'
- ➔ 5' GCTAGC 3'
- ➔ 5' GATCGA 3'

 **DNA has antiparallel two nucleotide chain, which is held together by**

**⇒ phosphodiester bond.**

**⇒ hydrogen bond.**

**⇒ N-glycosidic bond**

**⇒ O-glycosidic bond**

↩ **All of Following, which has similar structure like purine and use drug for treatment of gouty arthritis,**

⇒ **Hypoxanthine**

⇒ **Xanthine**

⇒ **Uric acid**

⇒ **Allopurinol**

 **Adenosine deaminase deficiency  
cause, except**

- ⇒ increase uric acid level**
- ⇒ increase of adenosine**
- ⇒ increase of d-ATP**
- ⇒ All of above**



↪ **Uric acid is breakdown product of purine base.**

↪ **So Which of following condition can increase uric acid level**

- ➔ **chemotherapy**
- ➔ **radiotherapy**
- ➔ **leukemia**
- ➔ **All of above**

↪ **Mitochondrial DNA is , except**

⇒ **circular**

⇒ **maternal inheritance**

⇒ **very lengthy**

⇒ **very large in amount**

↪ **What is incorrect about Histone?**

- ↪ **Positive charged & base in nature**
- ↪ **Contain abundant arginine & lysine**
- ↪ **Help in condensation of DNA**
- ↪ **All are cylindrical in shape**

**⌘ Euchromatine part of chromosome is**

**⌘ highly condense with nucleosome**

**⌘ active transcription gene**

**⌘ seen darkly stained in electron-  
microscopy**

**⌘ All of Above**