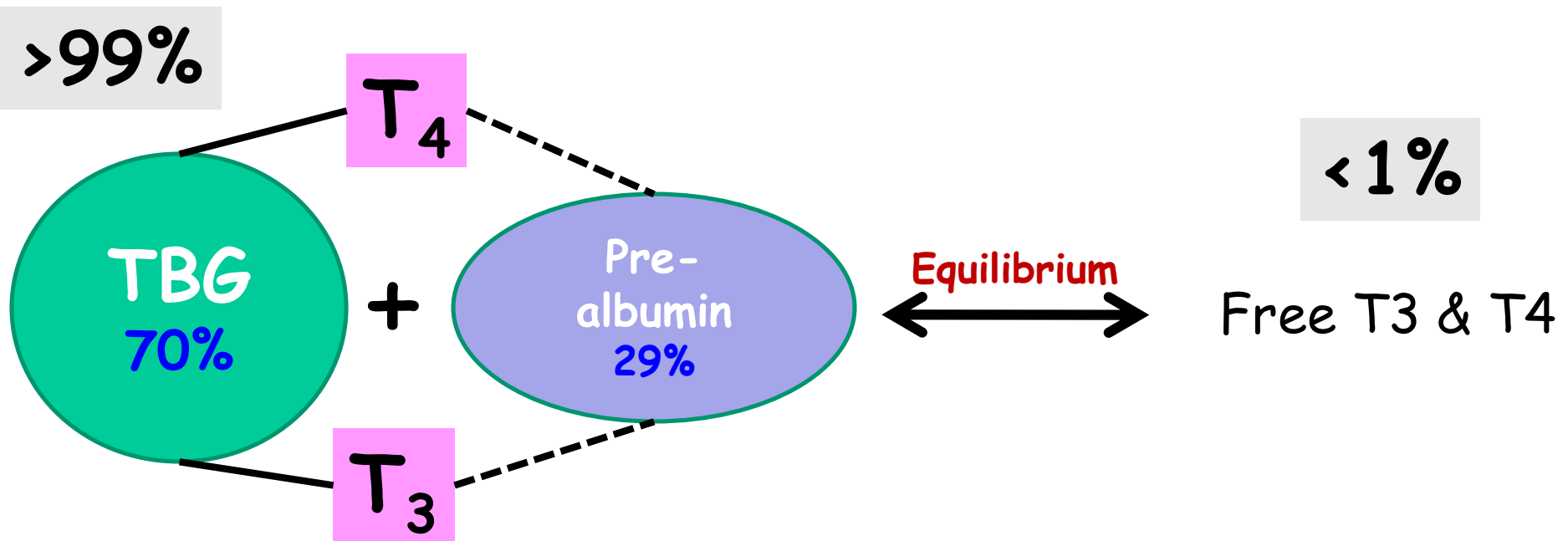


Thyroid Hormones

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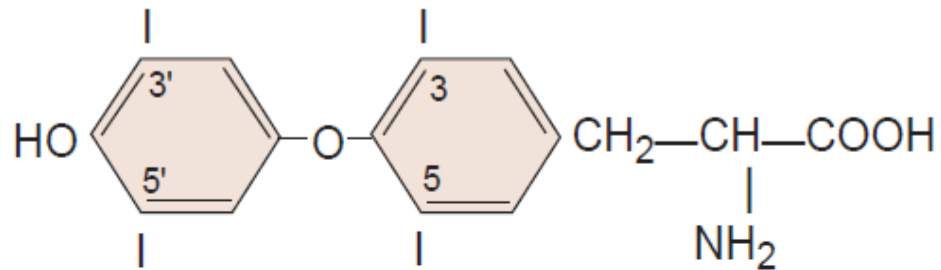
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Transport of thyroid hormones by blood



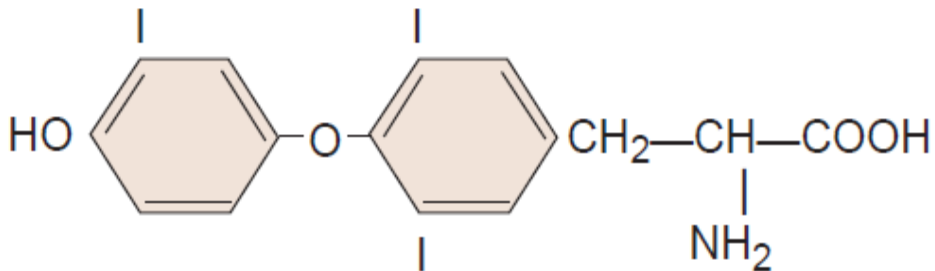
- T₄ has the higher affinity (**10 times**) for binding proteins; therefore, it binds more tightly to protein than does T₃, and consequently has a greater half-life than T₃.
- Phenytoin sodium and salicylates compete with T₃ & T₄ for binding to TBG.

Structure of Thyroid Hormones



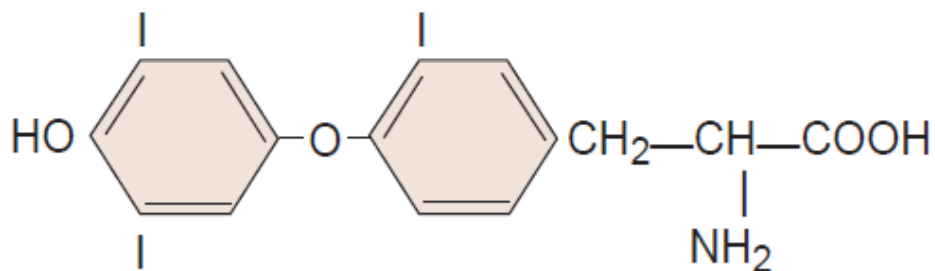
Thyroxine (T₄) 3,5,3',5',-tetra-iodothyronine

Outer phenol ring



3,5,3'-tri-iodothyronine (T₃)

- More active form of hormone
- No 5' I

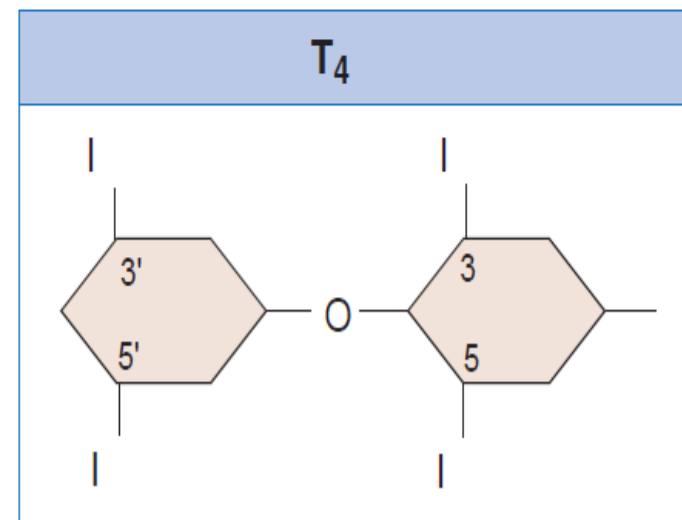
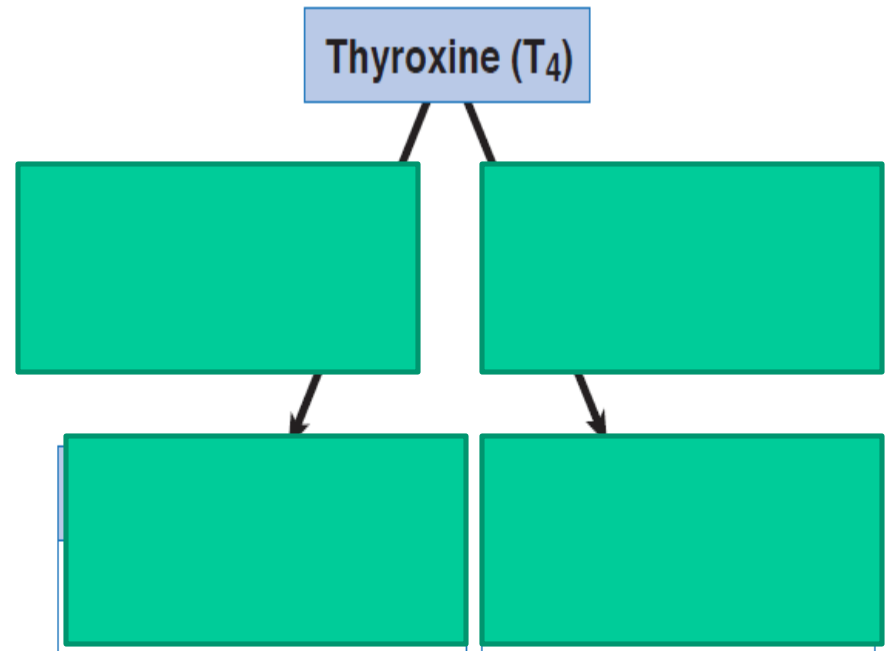


3,3',5'-tri-iodothyronine (reverse T₃)

- No activity
- No 5 I

Peripheral conversion of Thyroid Hormones

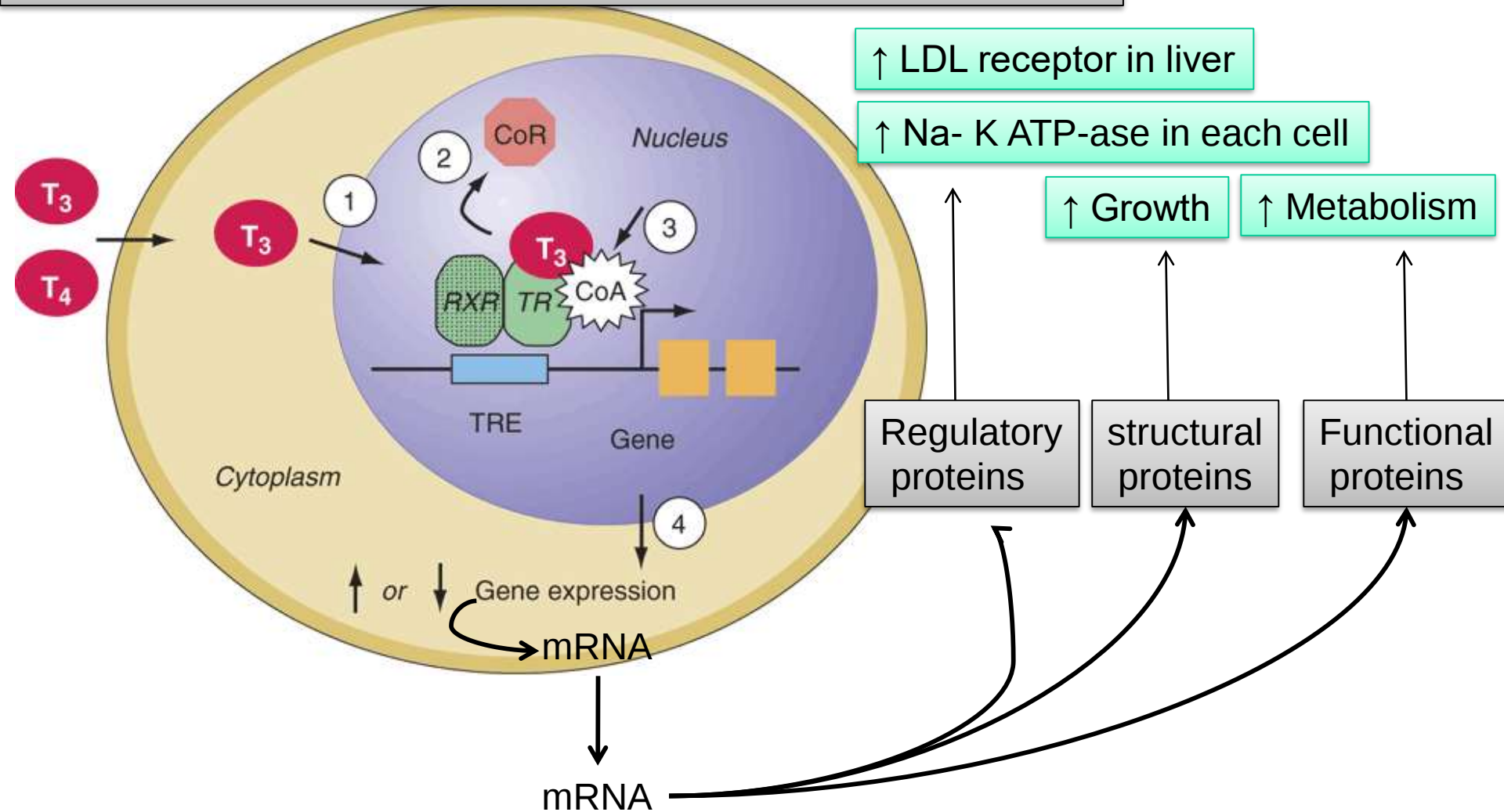
- Many target tissues can regulate the conversion of T₄ to either T₃ or **rT₃**, thereby locally controlling hormone activity.
- Depends on tissue need
- Most of the circulating T₃ is derived from the peripheral conversion of T₄ into T₃ and its release again into the circulation (e.g., liver, kidney, and skeletal muscle).



Free thyroid hormone receptor (TR) binds to hormone response element (HRE) and corepressor (CoR)

Hormone action

After binding to receptor, CoR is liberated and coactivators (CoA) is bound and the transcription to mRNA begins



Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

- Exerts its actions on every cell of the body
 - Increases metabolism
 - Increases BMR
 - Increases β -adrenergic drive ($\uparrow$ expression of β receptors)
- under normal conditions (normal conc.),
 - Anabolic
 - Bcz its protein synthesis effect is more
- All the effects are due to Protein synthesis
 - Increased expression of proteins by thyroid hormones

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

1. Effect on CHO metabolism

- Increased utilization of glucose
 - Increasing the absorption of glucose by intestine
 - by increased synthesis of transporters
 - Increased glycolysis
 - By increasing the synthesis of the enzymes of the pathway
 - Increased glycogenolysis
 - Increased GN
 - By increased β_2 receptors on hepatocytes

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

2. Effect on fat metabolism

- Increased mobilization of fats from adipose tissues; causing
 - Increased fat mobilization
 - by increased expression β_3 receptor on adipocytes.
 - Increased fFA conc in plasma
- Decreases plasma cholesterol conc
 - Increased LDL receptor synthesis

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

3. Effect on protein synthesis and turn over

- Enzymes for protein degradation are expressed

4. Effect on Nitrogen metabolism

- Depend on food intake especially proteins
- If food intake is not increased, endogenous proteins are catabolized and weight is lost
 - Enzymes responsible for proteins catabolism are expressed

- So both catabolic and anabolic

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

5. Effect on vitamin metabolism

- Need for vitamins is increased; bcz
 - Enzymes synthesis increased
- Coenzyme requirement also increased
- vitamin deficiency syndromes may be precipitated.

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

6. Increases Oxygen consumption

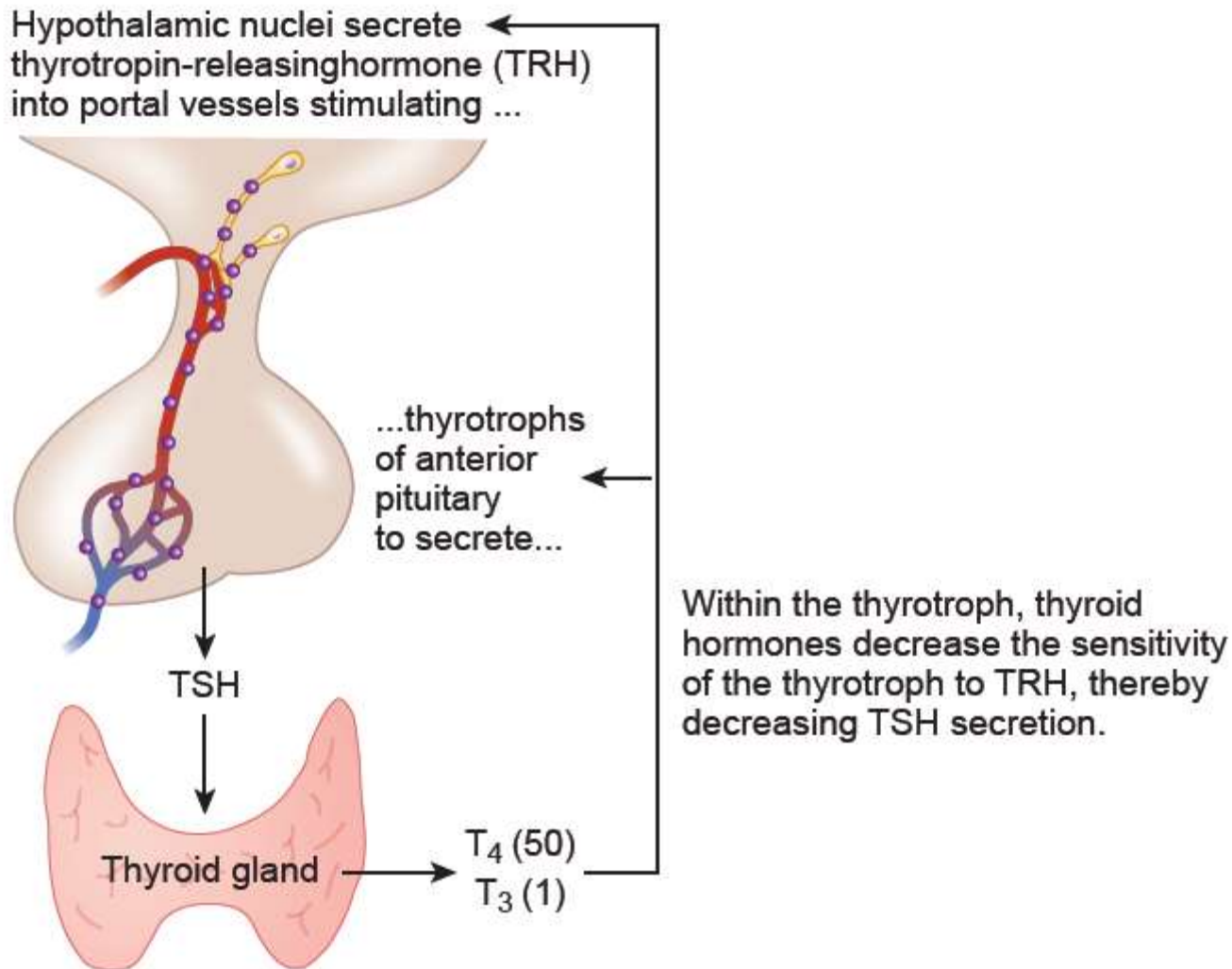
- By increasing the synthesis of enzymes of ETC
 - Leading to increased respiration
 - Coupled to phosphorylation
 - » So increased ATP production
 - » More heat is dissipated
 - » Which is the mechanism of thermogenesis by thyroid hormones
 - » Also TH leads to synthesis of uncouplers

Metabolic actions of Thyroid Hormone

7. Effect on ATP

- Increased synthesis
- Increased consumption of ATP
 - increased synthesis of various ATPase

Control of thyroid hormone synthesis and secretion



Clinicals: Anti-thyroid drugs

The same active pump that transports iodide ions into the thyroid cells can also pump thiocyanate ions, perchlorate ions, and nitrate ions.

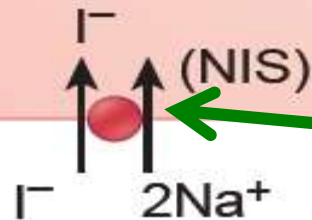
Therefore, the administration of thiocyanate (or one of the other ions as well) in high enough concentration can cause competitive inhibition of iodide transport into the cell—that is, inhibition of the iodide-trapping mechanism.

does not stop the formation of thyroglobulin
But prevents the iodination of Tbg

Decreased formation of THs
increased secretion of TSH

causes overgrowth of
the thyroid gland

can lead to development of a greatly
Enlarged thyroid gland, which is called a goiter.



**Thiocynate,
perchlorate &
Nitrate**

Thyroglobulin

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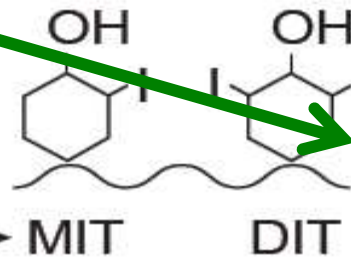
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Clinicals: Anti-thyroid drugs

Propylthiouracil
methimazole
Carbamizol

Follicle Lumen

Iodination



Coupling



Coupling

I⁻ Oxidation I^o

Peroxidase
(TPO)

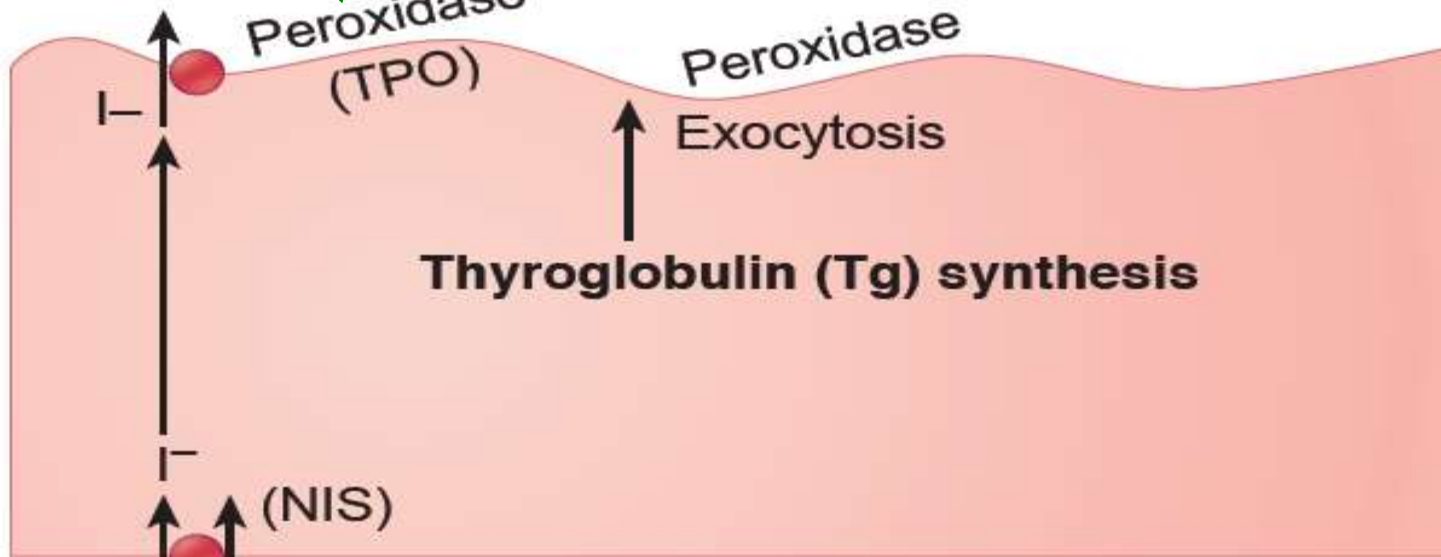
Peroxidase
Exocytosis

Thyroglobulin (Tg) synthesis

(NIS)

ECF

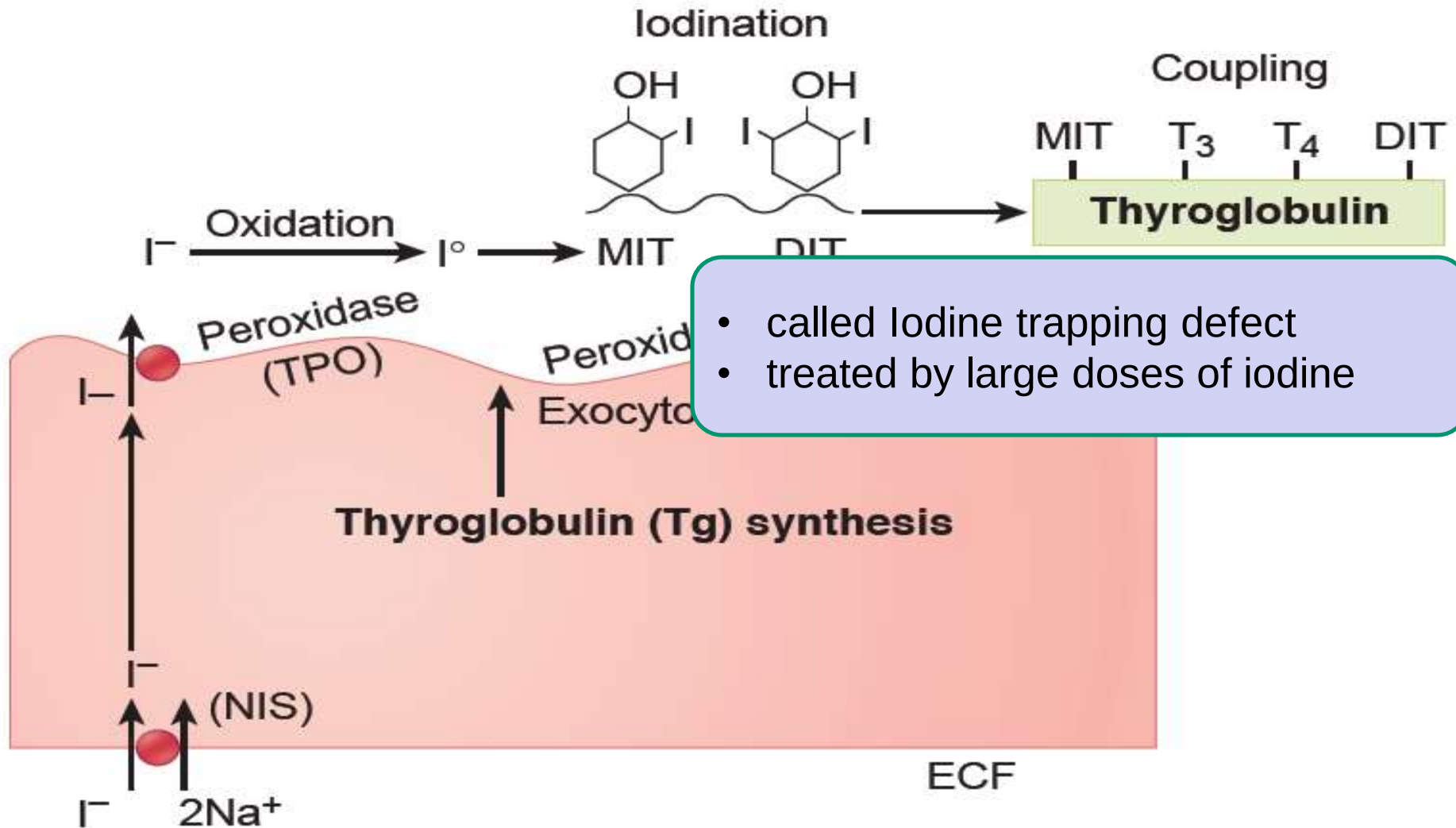
I⁻ 2Na⁺



Congenital defects

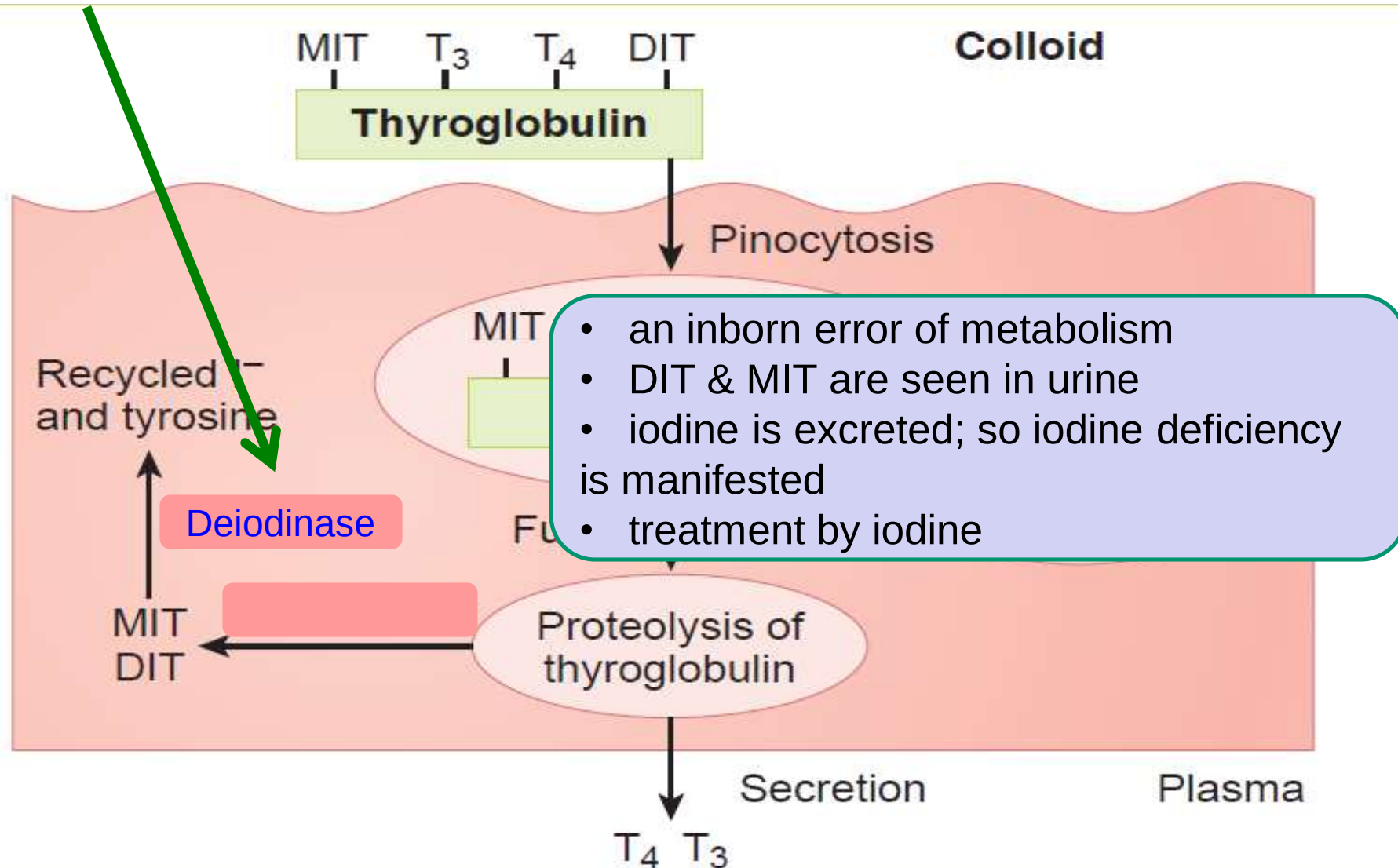
congenital defect of NIS

Follicle Lumen



Congenital defects

Deiodinase defect



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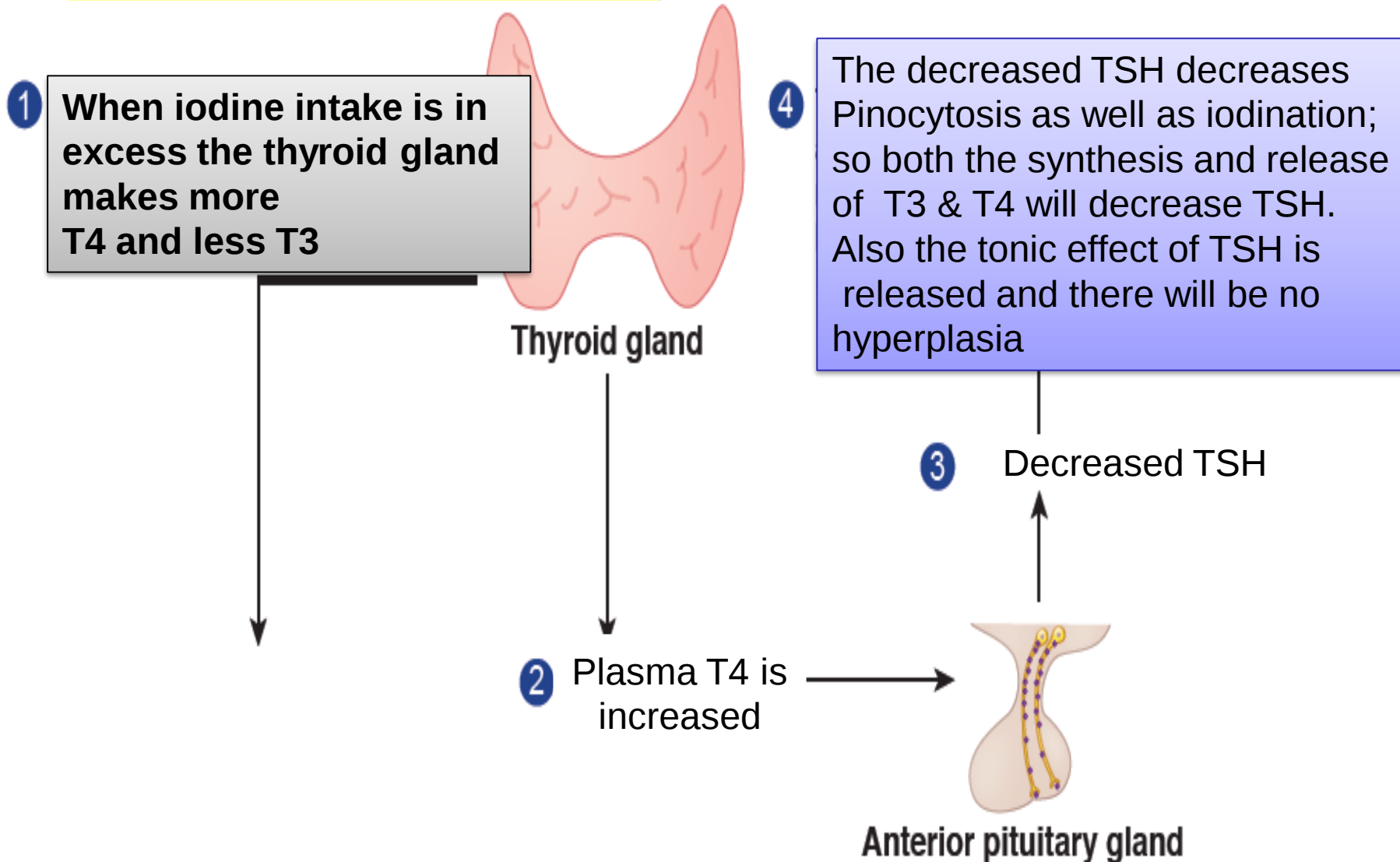
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Thyroidal Response to Excess Iodine



Pathologic changes in thyroid hormone secretion

	T4	TSH	TRH
Primary hypothyroidism			
Pituitary hypothyroidism (secondary)			
Pituitary hyperthyroidism (secondary)			
Graves' disease (autoimmune)			