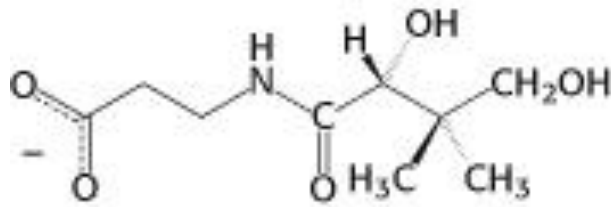


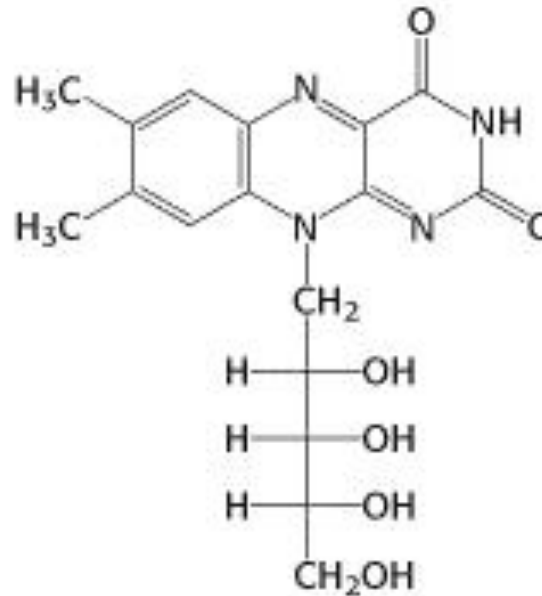
# Fat Soluble vs Water soluble Vitamins

	<u>Fat Soluble</u>	<u>Water Soluble</u>
Absorption	Into lymphatic system (fat/bile)	Directly into blood stream
Storage	For future use	Not stored
Effect of Overdose	Toxic	Can be excreted
Stability	Less fragile	Easily destroyed on heating

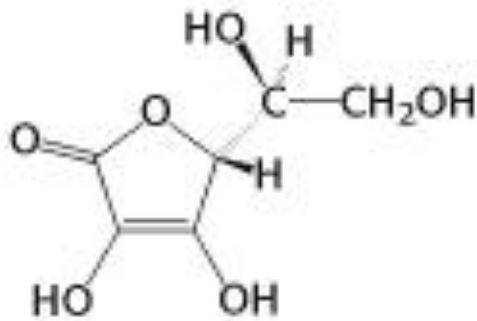
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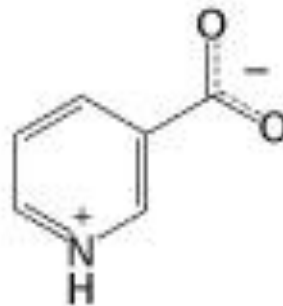
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(Pantothenate)



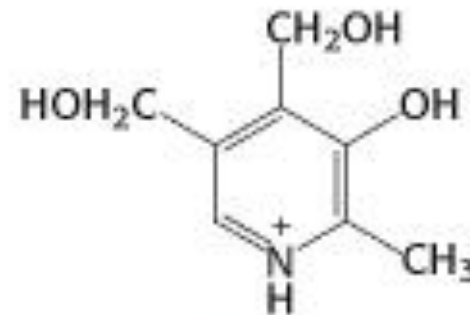
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**Vitamin C**  
(Ascorbic acid)



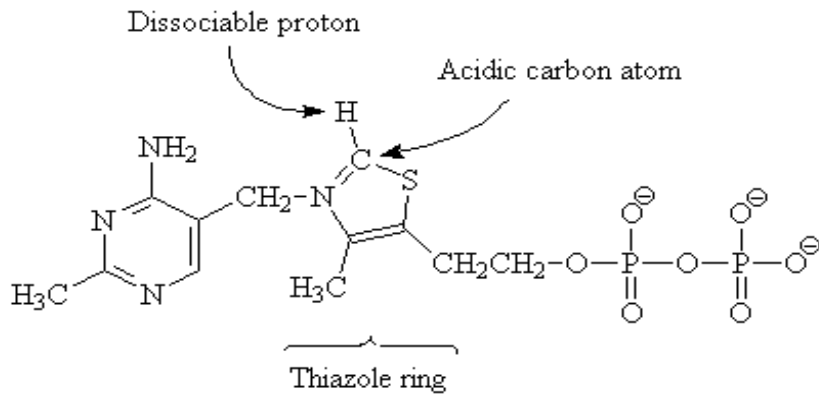
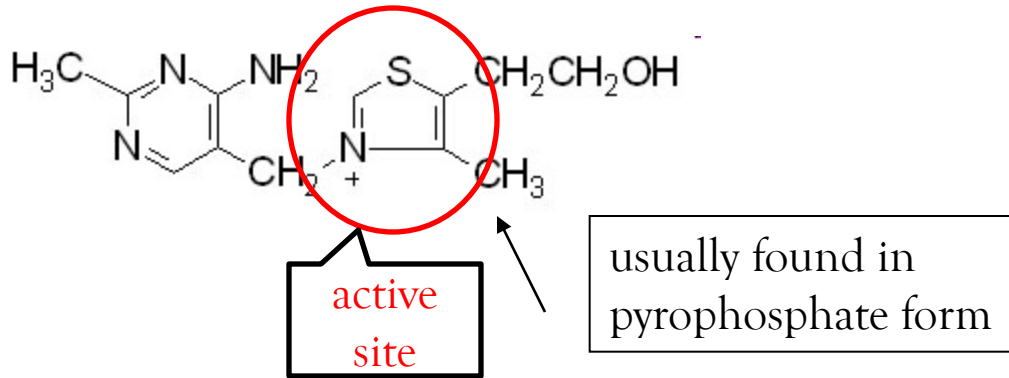
**Vitamin B<sub>3</sub>**  
(Niacin)



**Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>**  
(Pyridoxine)

# Thiamine (B<sub>1</sub>)

- Thiamine - a thiazole ring joined to a substituted pyrimidine by a methylene bridge



**THIAMINE PYROPHOSPHATE (TPP)**

- ❖ TPP is the active form
- ❖ Easily destroyed by heat

# Thiamine pyrophosphate

TPP is the active form

Functions:

## ❖ Energy metabolism

- required for the normal metabolism of -CHO.
  - catalyzes decarboxylations of  $\alpha$ -keto acids e.g.
    - pyruvic acid  $\rightarrow$  acetaldehyde in glycolysis
    - pyruvic acid  $\rightarrow$  acetyl-CoA
- formation and cleavage of  $\alpha$ -hydroxyketones

## ❖ Supports nervous system

## ❖ Daily requirements

- men: 1.2 mg/day
- women: 1.1 mg/day

# Thiamine Sources

- Occur in both plant & animal sources

## Animal:

- Pork, milk Liver, eggs, rumen

## Plants:

- Whole/enriched grains
  - Esp seed coats & embryos; eg. wheat germ
- fresh green forage
- yeast

# Deficiency symptoms of Thiamine

## 1. Beriberi

- ❖ Anorexia: loss of appetite
- ❖ severe nervous disorders
- ❖ General & muscular weakness
- ❖ tissue wasting & edema
- ❖ Dyspepsia (indigestion)
- ❖ Needle -like feeling under the skin

### ❖ Three types of beriberi

- ❖ Dry beriberi- adults
- ❖ Wet beriberi – youth
- ❖ Infantile beriberi- infants

# Deficiency symptoms of Thiamine

## 2. Wernicke-Korsakoff Syndrome

- ❖ Korsakoff's psychosis –
  - ❖ confused state- characterized by
  - ❖ confabulation
  - ❖ memory loss of recent events / non-impairment of past events
- ❖ Wernicke encephalopathy-
  - ❖ Neurological characterised by
  - ❖ Nystagmus (involuntary spasmodic movement of eye ball)
  - ❖ Ocular palsy

## Chronic peripheral neuritis

- ❖ Neurological problems eg. confusion and ataxia
- ❖ Thiamine deficiency due to alcoholism
- ❖ TPP is required to metabolize energy
- ❖ Alcohol contains calories which must be metabolized but no thiamine,
- ❖ Leads to neurological problems

# Risky groups

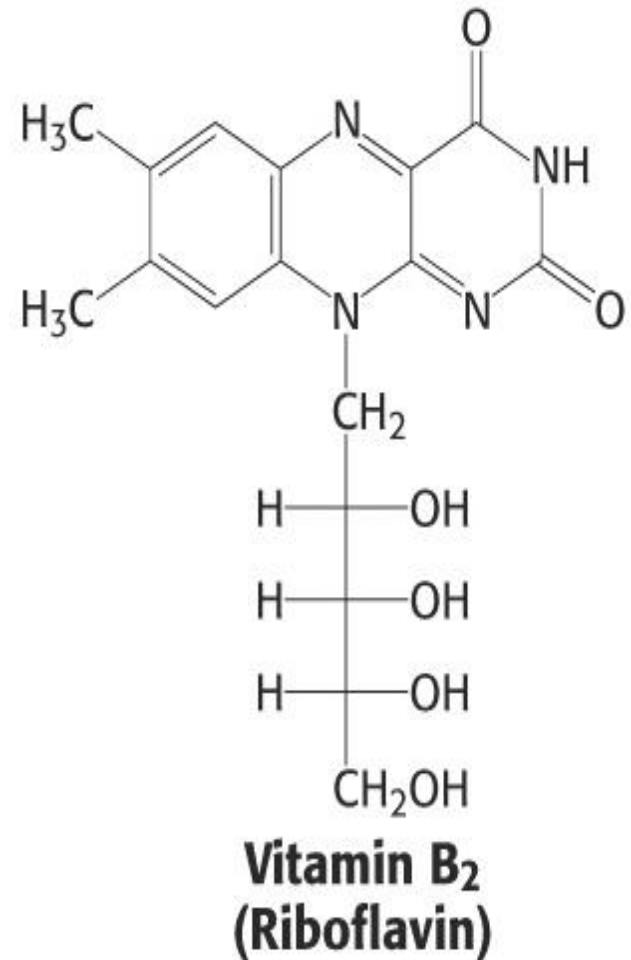
- ❖ Chronic alcoholics
- ❖ Population dependent on polished rice
- ❖ People who consume raw sea fish
- ❖ Rice & sea raw fish contain active thiaminase-enzyme destroys the vitamin



# Riboflavin

Also known as vitamin **B<sub>2</sub>**

- ❖ Contain ribitol & isoalloxazine (flavin) ring
- ❖ Coenzyme (Active form)
  - ❖ Flavin mononucleotide (FMN)
  - ❖ Flavin adenine dinucleotide (FAD)
- ❖ FMN & FAD not true nucleotides
  - ❖ Names are traditional and they persist!



# Riboflavin Sources

Widely present in plants & animal sources

## Animals:

- Milk & dairy products- yogurt, cheese, liver, meat, kidney, eggs

## Plants:

- Enriched /whole grains- wheat bran
- Yeast
- Fresh vegetables
- Rumen synthesis

# Functions of Riboflavin

Energy metabolism:

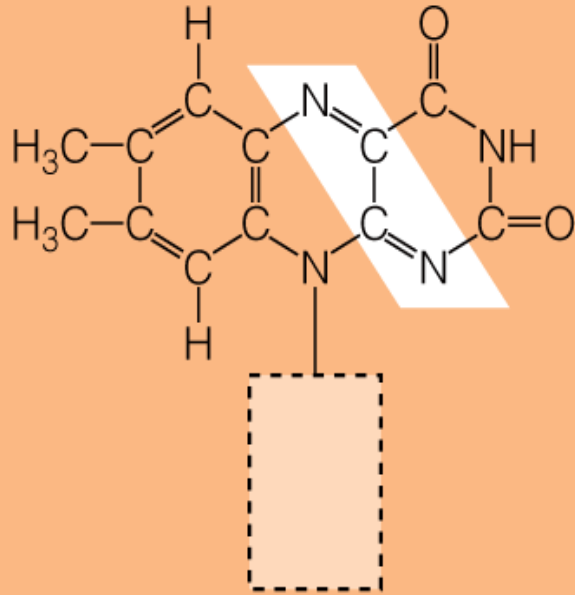
- part of FMN (Flavin Mononucleotide)
- FAD (Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide)
- Important coenzymes in energy metabolism
- catalyzes dehydrogenation rxns
- Important in the metabolism of a.a, fats & -CHO.

Promotes healthy skin & vision

Necessary for normal embryo development,

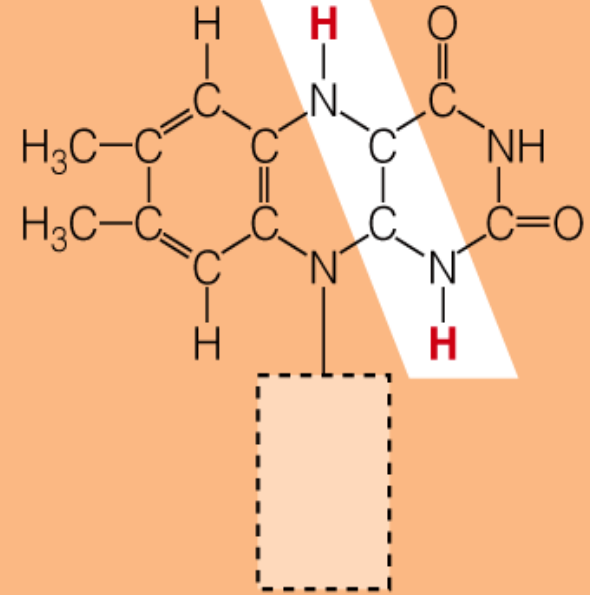
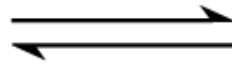
- Easily destroyed by ultraviolet light & irradiation
- Daily requirements
  - ❖ Men: 1.3 mg/day
  - ❖ Women: 1.1 mg/day

# Riboflavin in redox reactions



FAD

During the TCA cycle, compounds release hydrogens, and the riboflavin coenzyme FAD picks up two of them. As it accepts two hydrogens, FAD becomes  $\text{FADH}_2$ .



$\text{FADH}_2$

$\text{FADH}_2$  carries the hydrogens to the electron transport chain. At the end of the electron transport chain, the hydrogens are accepted by oxygen, creating water, and  $\text{FADH}_2$  becomes FAD again. For every  $\text{FADH}_2$  that passes through the electron transport chain, 2 ATP are generated.

## Vitamin B<sub>2</sub> : Deficiency symptoms:

Riboflavinosis ( never fatal) characterised by

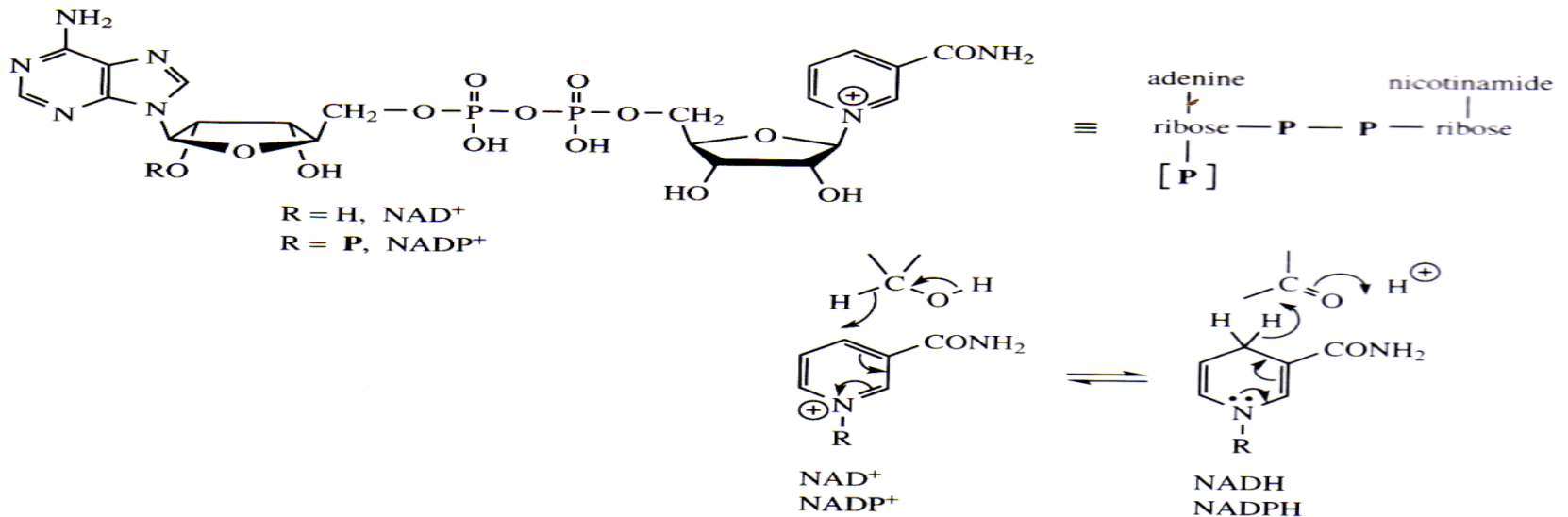
- ❖ Cheilosis- swelling and fissuring of lips
- ❖ Angular stomatitis- lesions at the margin of the mouth
- ❖ Painful desquamation of the tongue
  - ❖ (dry and atrophic) magenta tongue
- ❖ Scaly dermatitis
- ❖ Eye problems leading to
  - ❖ corneal vascularisation
  - ❖ inflammation with cloudiness of cornea
  - ❖ photophobia
  - ❖ cataract
- ❖ Skin disorders

# Niacin (B<sub>3</sub>)

Other names

- ❖ Nicotinic acid
- ❖ Nicotinamide
- ❖ Niacinamide
- Precursor: dietary **tryptophan**

**Dehydrogenases: NAD<sup>+</sup> and NADP<sup>+</sup>**



# Niacin Sources

- Both plant & animal sources
- Animal:
  - protein foods
    - Milk
    - eggs
    - meat
    - fish, poultry
- Plants
  - legumes
  - Enriched/whole grains
  - Nuts
  - Yeast

# Functions of Niacin

- Energy metabolism:
  - Part of coenzymes NAD & NADP
    - catalyzes **redox** rxns of alcohols/carbonyl groups
    - Degradation of l-Trp → niacin
- General metabolism,
  - healthy skin,
  - nervous & digestive system



# Niacin Deficiency

Pellagra characterized by 3Ds

- ❖ diarrhea
- ❖ dermatitis
- ❖ dementia
- ❖ oral lesions

Toxicity symptoms

- ❖ Painful flush,
- ❖ hives
- ❖ rash (“niacin flush”)
- ❖ Excessive sweating
- ❖ Blurred vision
- ❖ Liver damage, impaired glucose tolerance

RDA

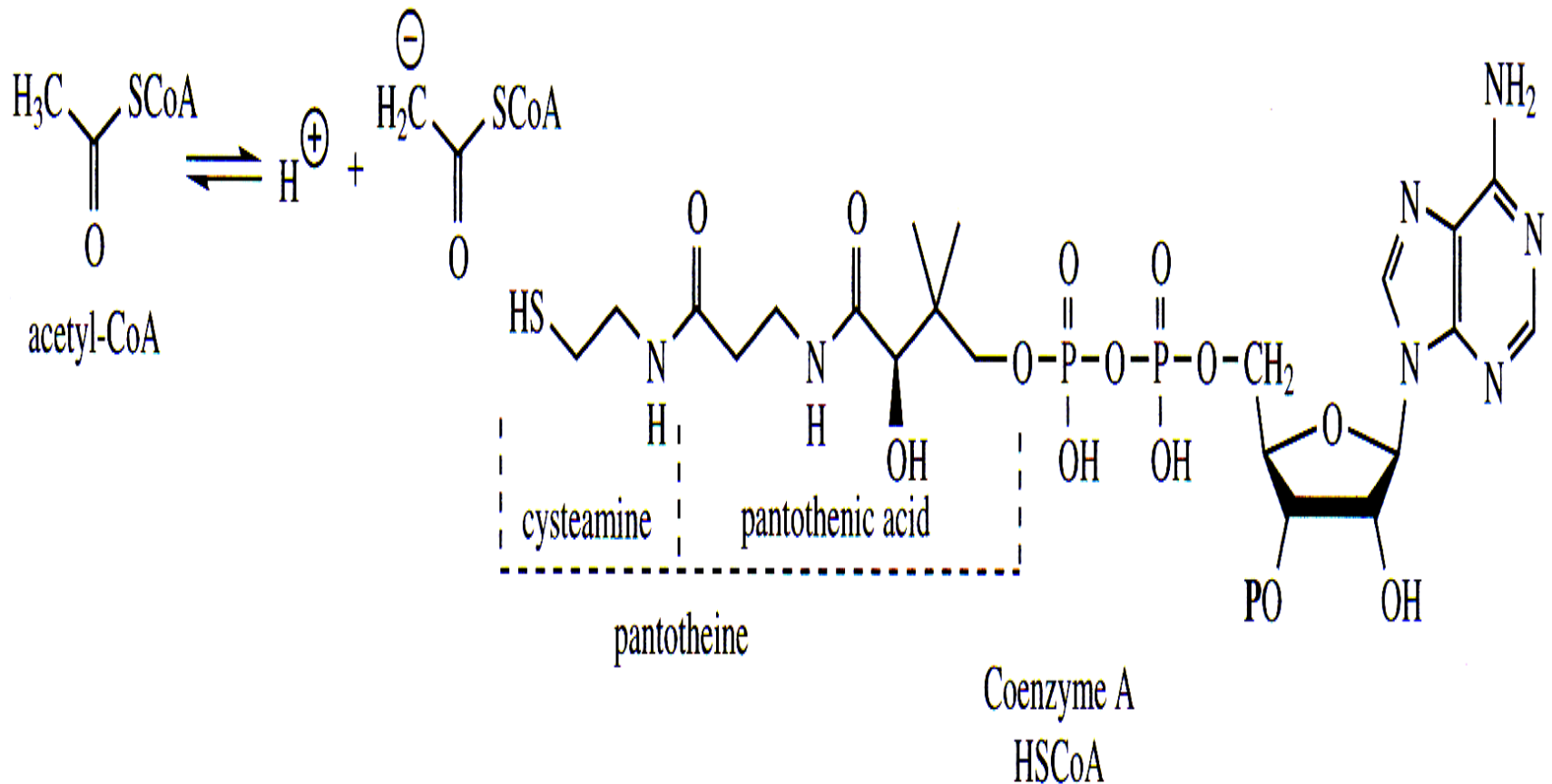
Men: 16 mg NE/day

Women: 14 mg NE/day

Upper level for adults: 35 mg/day

# Pantothenic acid

- ❖ Also known as vitamin B<sub>5</sub>
- ❖ Part of Coenzyme A



# Functions of Pantothenic Acid

- Part of coenzyme A,
  - used in energy metabolism
- Easily destroyed by food processing
- 1998 adequate intake (AI)
  - Adults: 5 mg/day

# Sources of Pantothenic Acid

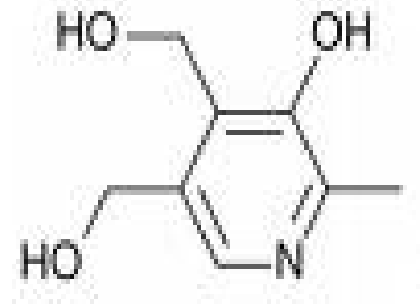
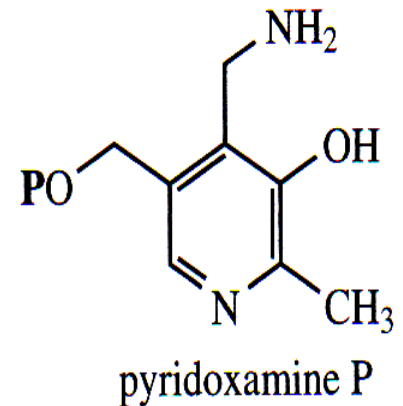
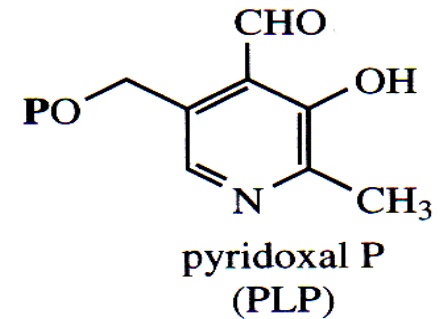
- Widespread in foods-  
plants & animals
- Plants
  - Broccoli
  - Whole grains
  - Mushrooms
  - Avacado
- Animals
  - Organ meats
  - yeast
  - liver

# Functions of Pantothenic acid

- ❖ Synthesis of fatty acids (acetate pathway),
- ❖ Synthesis of some peptides, isoprenoids  
phenylpropanoids
- ❖ Metabolism of fat, carbs and protein
- ❖ Vitamins B<sub>3</sub>, B<sub>5</sub>, B<sub>6</sub> and biotin are thought to  
promote healthy hair and prevent hair loss
- ❖ Deficiency is rare

# Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>

- Other names
  - Pyridoxine
  - Pyridoxal
  - Pyridoxamine
- Coenzyme PLP, PNP or PMP
- Adults (19-50 years): 1.3 mg/day
- Upper level for adults: 100 mg/day

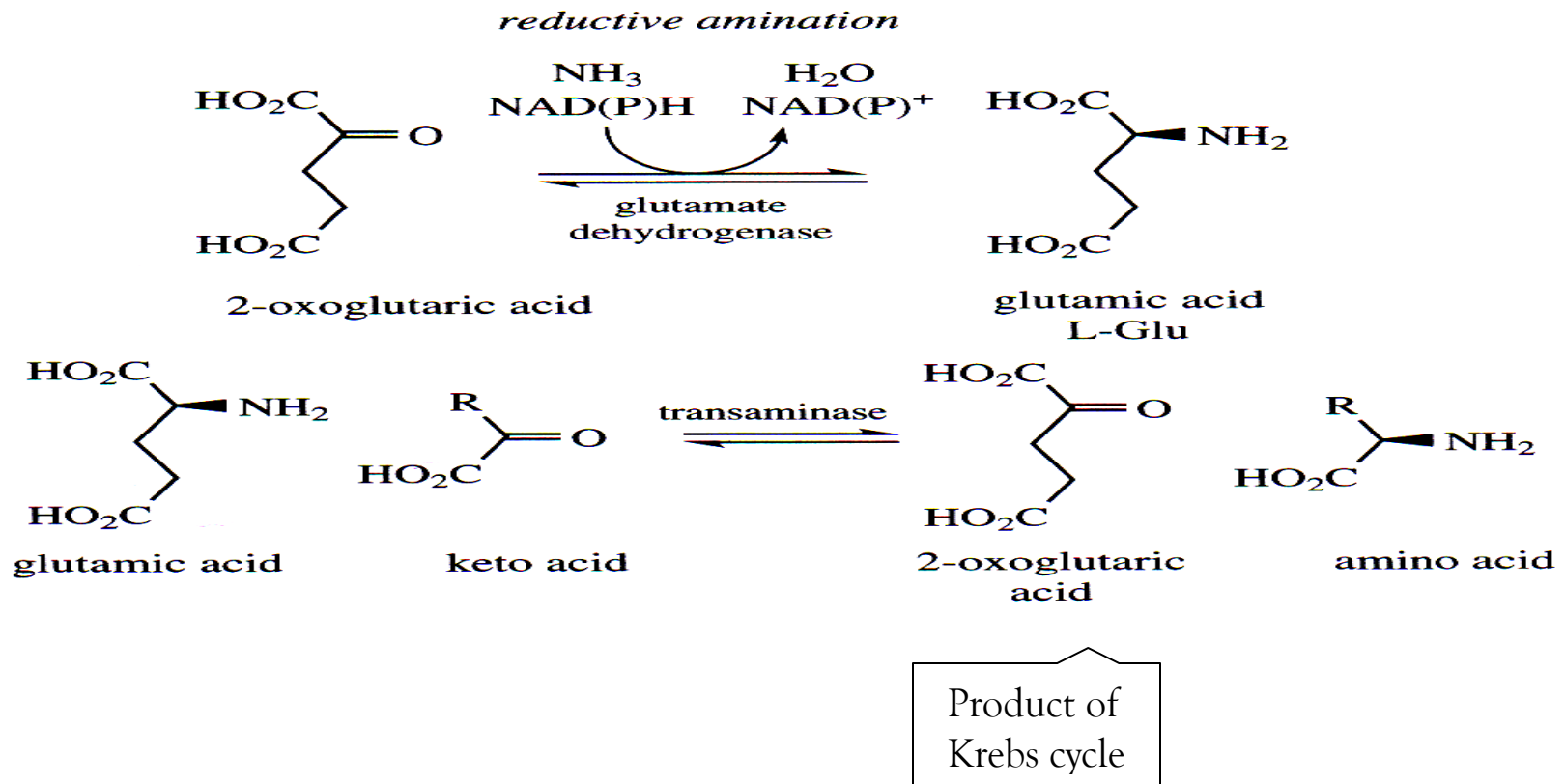


# Function of vitamin B6

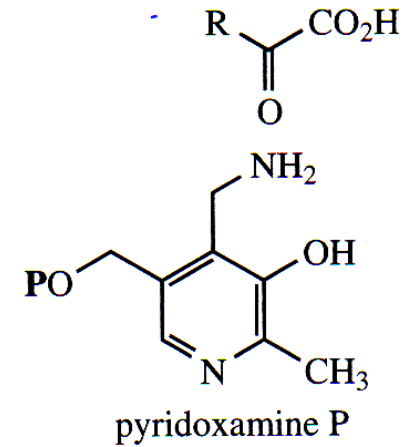
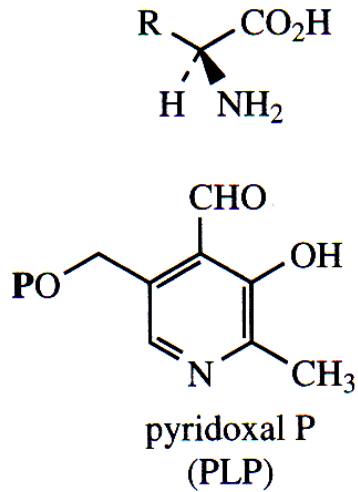
**Amination reactions:** Gain of N by a molecule

**Reductive amination:** N comes from ammonia

**Transamination:**  $\text{NH}_2$  group is transferred from an a.a

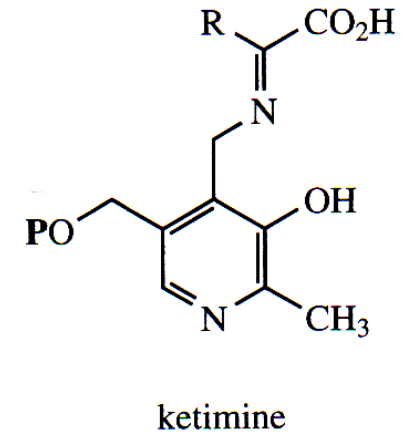
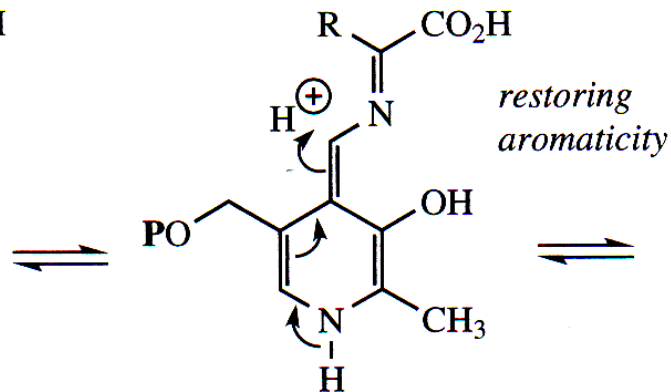
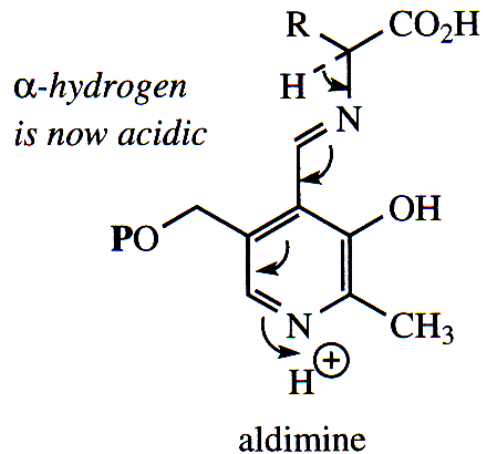


**Loss of N:**  
Deamination of  
an amino acid  
by Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>  
involves imine  
formation and  
hydrolysis



$\rightleftharpoons$  *formation of imine  
from aldehyde and  
amino acid*

$\rightleftharpoons$  *hydrolysis of  
imine to keto  
acid and amine*





# Sources of vitamin B<sub>6</sub>

- Animal:
  - Meat,
  - Fish eg salmon,
  - Poultry,
  - Liver
- Plants :
  - nuts, cereals
  - bananas, Potatoes,
  - legumes
  - Non-citrus fruits
  - Fortified cereal
  - Soy products

# Chief functions of Vit B<sub>6</sub> in the body

- Energy metabolism:
  - Amino acid and fatty acid metabolism :
  - Part of coenzymes pyridoxal phosphate
  - Catalyzes transaminations & decarboxylations of amino acids
  - PLP is important in f.a and aa metabolism
- Convert tryptophan to niacin and to serotonin
- Helps to make red blood cells
- In plants, used in biosynthesis of phenylpropanoids from amino acids

# Deficiency symptoms of Vitamin B<sub>6</sub>

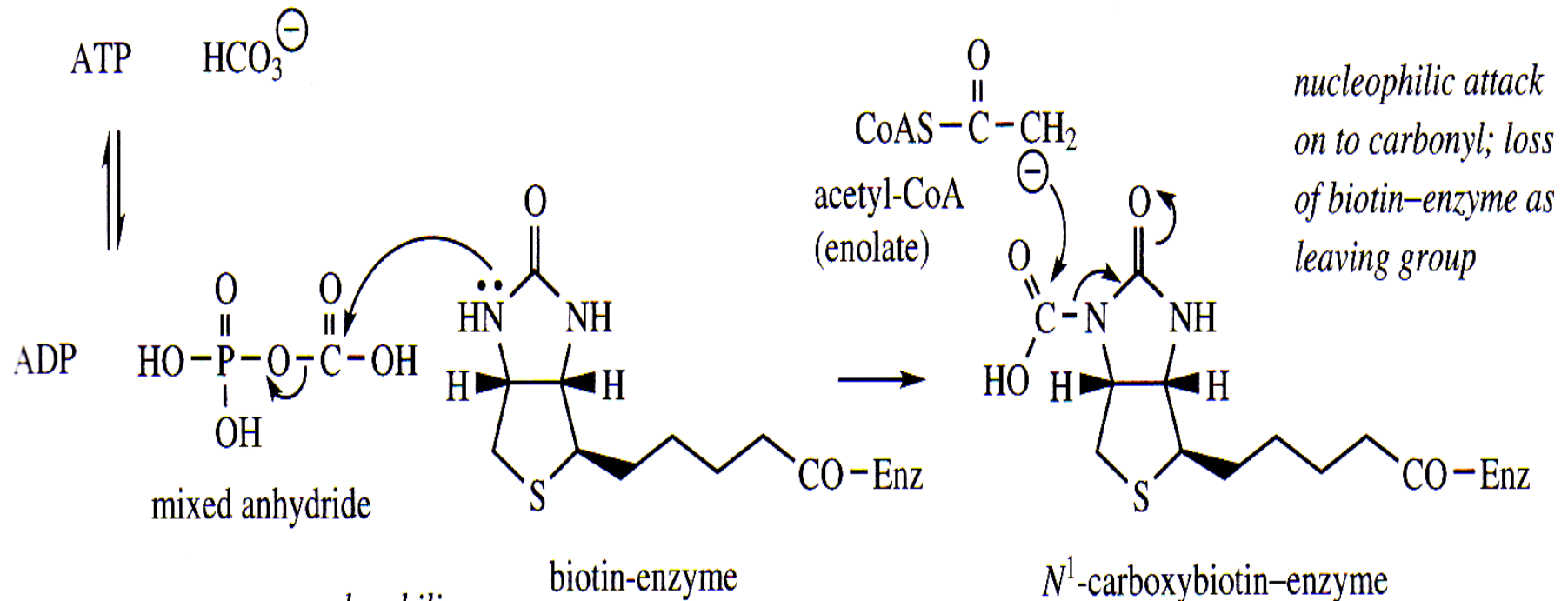
- Scaly dermatitis
- Anemia (small-cell type)
- Depression, confusion, abnormal brain wave pattern, convulsions
- Nervous disorders, skin rash, muscle weakness,
- Vit B<sub>6</sub> can be lost through cooking, deficiency usually caused by poor absorption

# Biotin (B<sub>7</sub>)

Biotin (Vitamin H): functions as a carboxyl group carrier

Ex: transforms acetyl-CoA to malonyl-CoA (acetate pathway)

Deficiency is rare, but could lead to dermatitis and hair loss ☹️



- 1998 adequate intake (AI)  
Adults: 30 µg/day

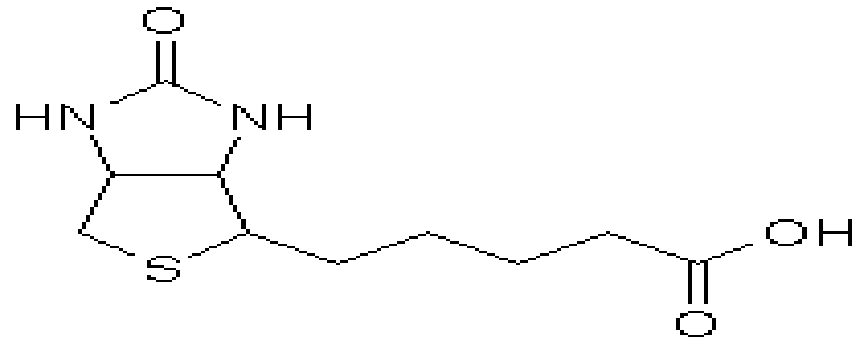
## Biotin Sources

- Animal sources
  - Organ meats, fish
  - Egg yolks, liver, kidney, milk
- Plant sources-  
Soybeans, Whole grains, yeast, cereals
- Also produced by intestinal microflora
- Chief functions in the body - **part of a coenzyme used in energy metabolism, fat synthesis, amino acid metabolism, and glycogen synthesis**

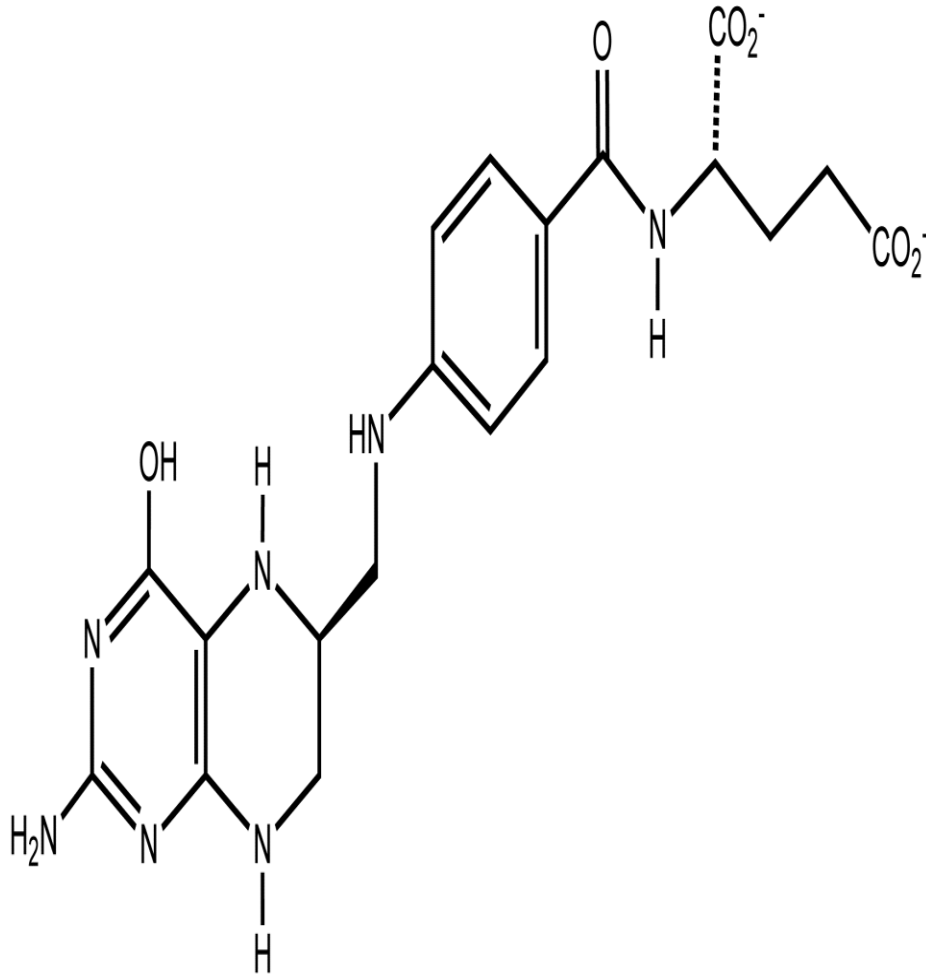
# Biotin “chemistry on a tether”

- Mobile carboxyl group carrier
- Bound covalently to a lysine
- The biotin-lysine conjugate is called biocytin
- The biotin ring system is thus tethered to the protein by a long, flexible chain

- Whenever you see a carboxylation that requires ATP and CO<sub>2</sub> or HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, think biotin!
- Activation by ATP involves formation of carbonyl phosphate (aka carboxyl phosphate)
- Carboxyl group is transferred to biotin to form N-carboxy-biotin
- The "tether" allows the carboxyl group to be shuttled from the carboxylase subunit to the transcarboxylase subunit of ACC-carboxylase



# Folate (B<sub>9</sub>)



- Other names
  - Folic acid
  - Folacin
  - Pteroylglutamic acid (PGA)
- 1998 RDA
  - Adults: 400 µg/day
- Upper level for adults: 1000 µg/day

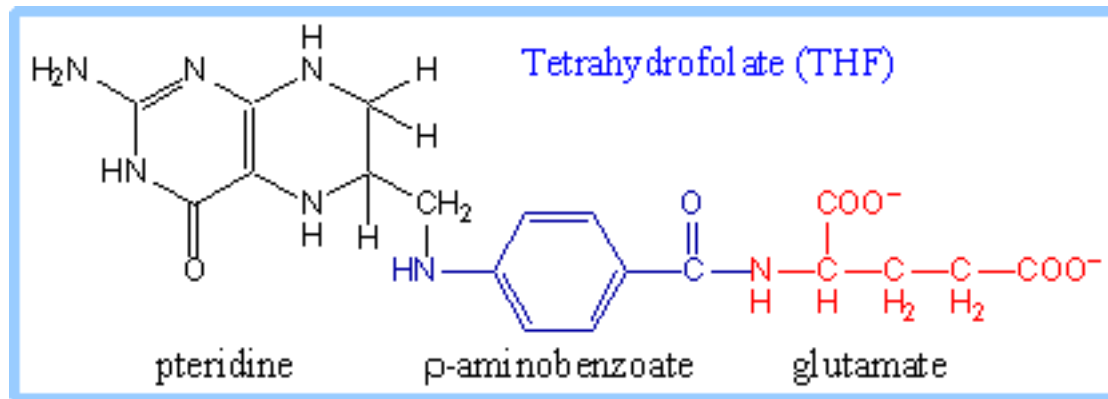
# Folate Sources

- Plant sources
  - Whole & Fortified grains
  - Leafy green vegetables
  - Legumes
  - Seeds
  - Yeast
  - some fruits
- Animal sources
  - Liver,

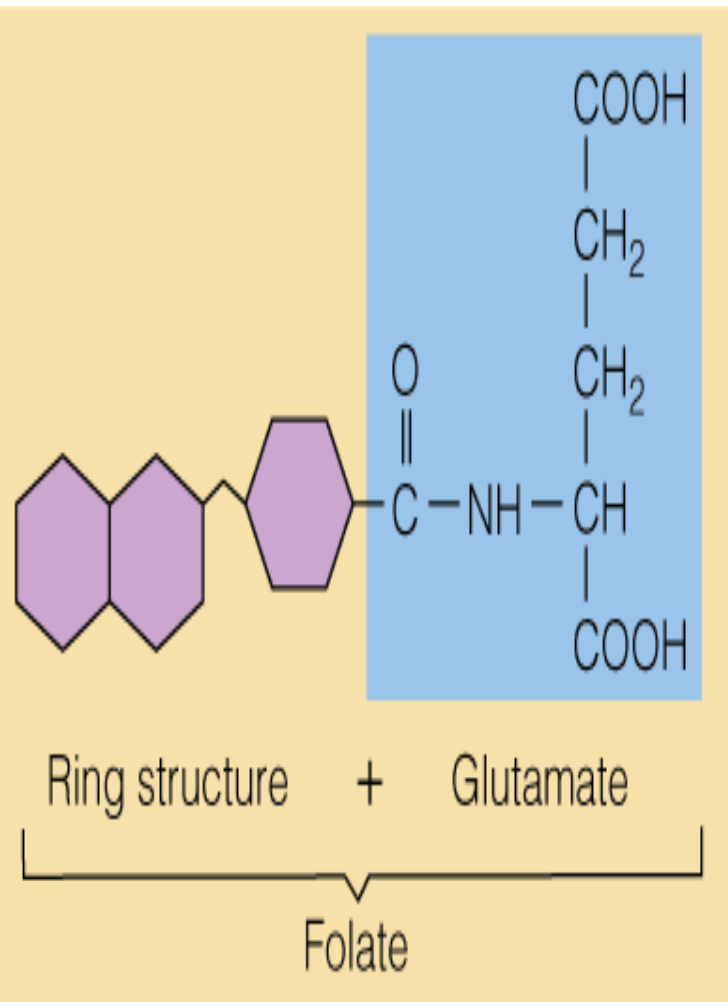


# Folic Acid

- Folates are donors of 1-C units for all oxidation levels of carbon except that of  $\text{CO}_2$
- Active form is tetrahydrofolate (THF)
- THF is formed by two successive reductions of folate by dihydrofolate reductase



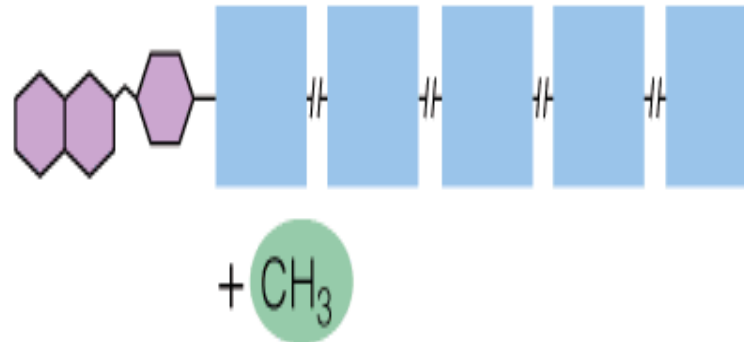
# Folate



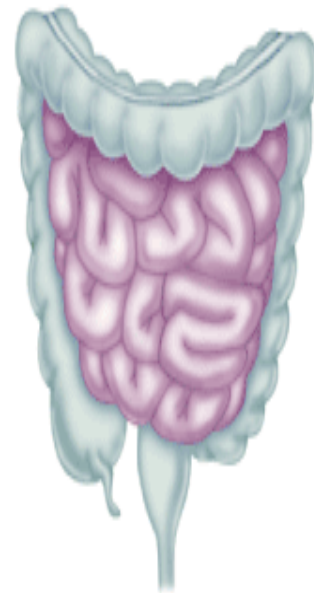
In foods, folate naturally occurs as polyglutamate. (Folate occurs as monoglutamate in fortified foods and supplements.)



Spinach

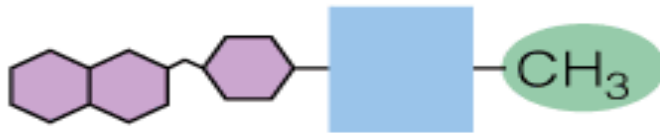


In the intestine, digestion breaks glutamates off . . . and adds a methyl group. Folate is absorbed and delivered to cells.

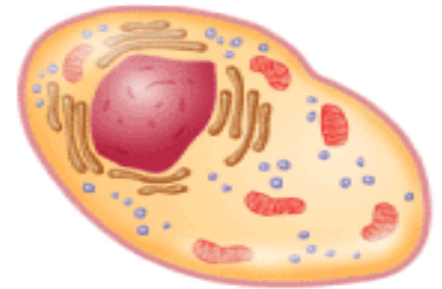


Intestine

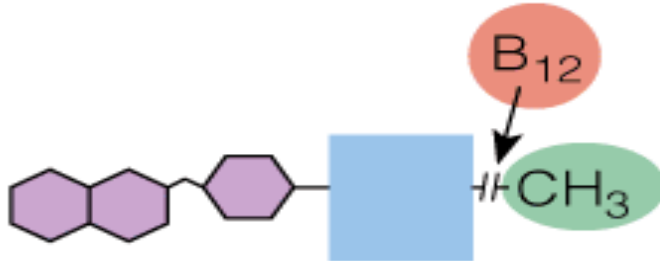
# Folate



In the cells, folate is trapped in its inactive form.



Cell



To activate folate, vitamin  $\text{B}_{12}$  removes and keeps the methyl group, which activates vitamin  $\text{B}_{12}$ .



Both the folate coenzyme and the vitamin  $\text{B}_{12}$  coenzyme are now active and available for DNA synthesis.



DNA

# Folate

- Chief functions in the body
- Part of coenzymes
  - Tetrahydrofolate (THF )
  - Dihydrofolate (DHF )
  - used in DNA synthesis
  - DNA important in new cell formation
- THF important in one-C metabolism
  - Acts as a carrier of methyl, methylene or formyl groups
- Involved in amino acid & nucleotide metabolism,
- Involved in red blood cell formation

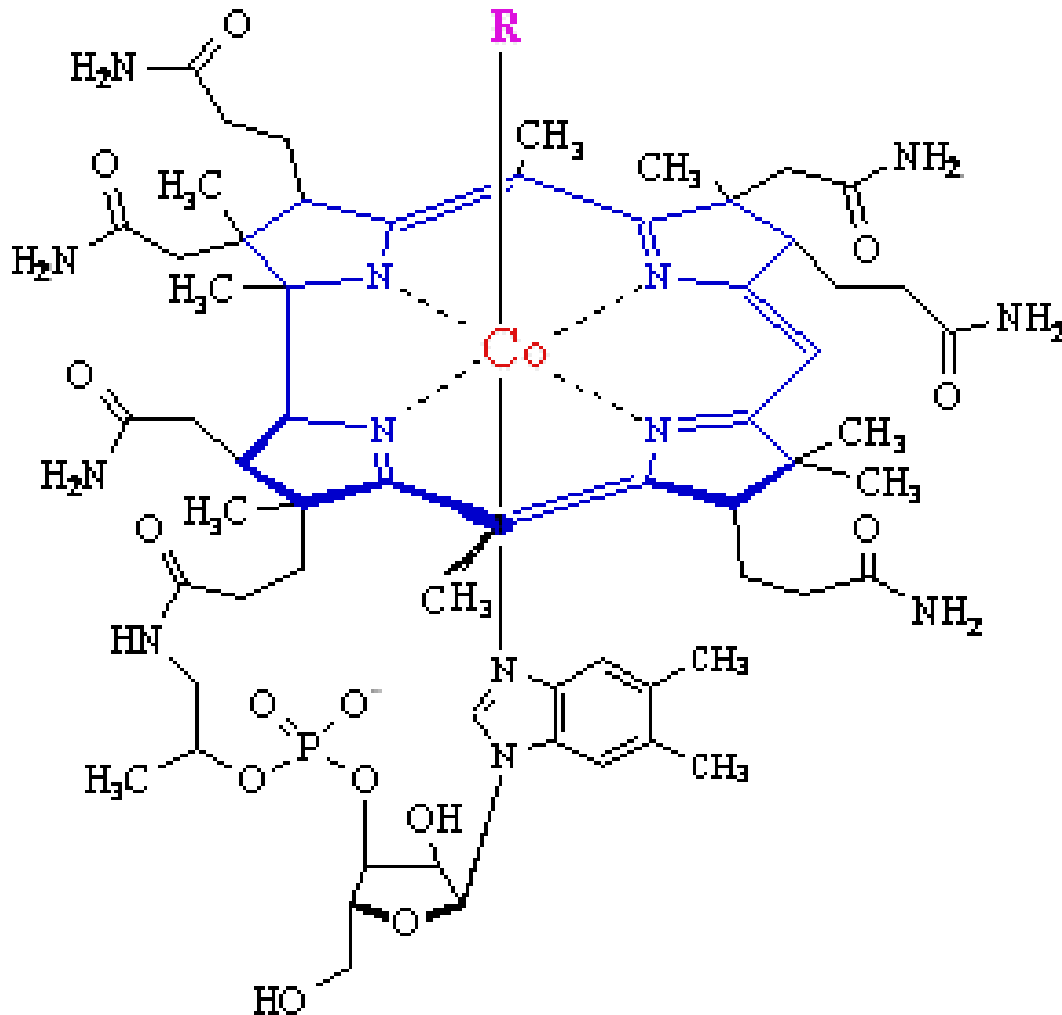
# Folacin Deficiency

- Anemia,
- Neural tube defects in a fetus,
- Cardiovascular problems in adults
- **Neural Tube Defects**
  - Malformation of the central nervous system that forms very early in the pregnancy (often even before woman realizes she is pregnant)
- **Spina bifida**- spine develops outside of the body
- **Anencephaly**- entire brain and skull above the ears is missing
- Folate intake linked to reduced CVD, colon cancer in women and depression in men

# Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>

R groups vary:

CN, OH, H<sub>2</sub>O, NO<sub>2</sub>, Me



Other names: cobalamin  
(and related forms)

- Contains Co(III) coordinated to a corrin ring
- (R = CN is cyanocobalamin, most common form)

1998 RDA

Adults: 2.4 µg/day

# Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>

## Sources

- Animal products
  - Meat, poultry fish, shellfish, Eggs
  - Milk, cheese ,
  - dairy products
- Fortified cereals
- Microbial in origin; intestinal flora contribute towards human dietary needs.
- Stored in the liver

# Chief functions of B<sub>12</sub> in the body

- ❖ New cell synthesis:
  - ❖ Part of coenzymes for new cell synthesis
  - ❖ methylcobalamin
  - ❖ deoxyadenosylcobalamin
- ❖ Methylations reactions
  - ❖ one-C metabolism (methylations) reactions
  - ❖ Conversion of homocysteine to methionine
- ❖ Biosynthesis of DNA, amino acids, fatty acids,
  - ❖ Needed to maintain RBC, genes
  - ❖ Helps to maintain nerve cells
  - ❖ Reforms folate coenzyme
  - ❖ Helps to break down some f.a & amino acids
- ❖ Activates Folate



# Vitamin B<sub>12</sub>

- Absorption of Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> requires
  - HCl
  - Pepsin
  - Intrinsic factor
- Poor absorption is thought to be a complication of aging
- Easily destroyed by microwave cooking

# Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> Deficiency

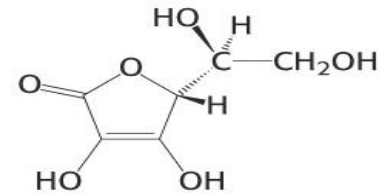
- Pernicious Anemia

- Common in strict vegetarians – obtained only from animal sources

- “Intrinsic factor” needed for B<sub>12</sub> absorption
- secreted by the parietal cells in lining of gastric mucosa
- Toxicity: none reported

# Ascorbic Acid

## Vitamin C

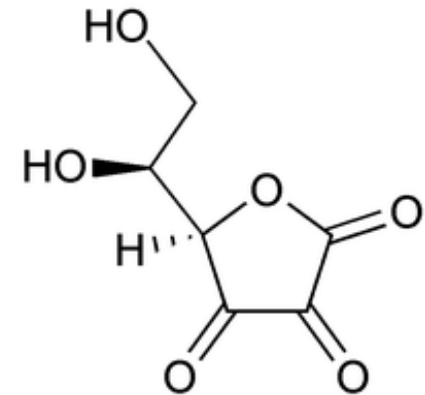
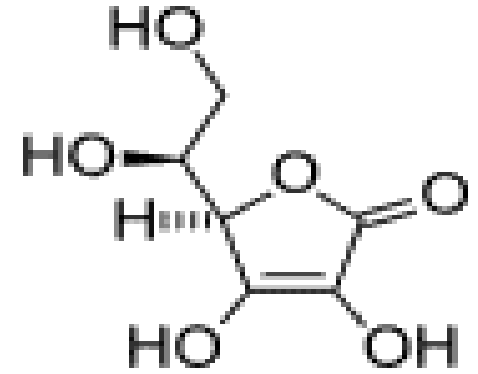


**Vitamin C**  
**(Ascorbic acid)**

- A vitamin in some animals
  - Most plants and animals make ascorbic acid - for them it is not a vitamin
  - Only a few vertebrates - man, primates, guinea pigs, fruit-eating bats and some fish (rainbow trout, carp and Coho salmon) cannot make it!
- Vitamin C is a reasonably strong reducing agent
- It functions as an electron carrier (describe how)
- Hydroxylations of proline and lysine (collagen)
- Metabolism of Tyr in brain
- Fe mobilization from spleen
- May prevent the toxic effects of some metals
- Ameliorates allergic responses
- Can stimulate the immune system

# Vitamin C (Ascorbic acid)

- Antioxidant, strong reducing agent
- Collagen synthesis, tissue repair, bones & teeth, immune system, iron absorption
- Cannot be made by human body though animals can biosynthesize from glucose
- Found in citrus fruits, cruciferous veggies, tomatoes, dark green leafy, berries, mangos, melons
- Degraded by cooking
- **Deficiency causes**
  - scurvy,
  - anemia,
  - depression,
  - infection,
  - tooth/gum problems,
  - muscle deterioration,
  - fragile bones,
  - poor wound healing



L-dehydroascorbic acid