

Outline- Ch.22.4 Part I

1. Review: Nucleotide structure and nomenclature

2. *De novo* nucleotide biosynthesis and regulation

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Review: Nucleotide structure and nomenclature

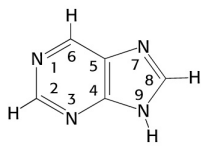
TABLE 25.1 Nomenclature of bases, nucleosides, and nucleotides

RNA		
Base	Ribonucleoside	Ribonucleotide (5'-monophosphate)
Adenine (A)	Adenosine	Adenylate (AMP)
Guanine (G)	Guanosine	Guanylate (GMP)
Uracil (U)	Uridine	Uridylate (UMP)
Cytosine (C)	Cytidine	Cytidylate (CMP)
Hypoxanthine	Inosine	Inosinate (IMP)
Xanthine	Xanthosine	Xanthylate (XMP)
Orotate	Orotidine	Orotidylate (OMP)
DNA		
Base	Deoxyribonucleoside	Deoxyribonucleotide (5'-monophosphate)
Adenine (A)	Deoxyadenosine	Deoxyadenylate (dAMP)
Guanine (G)	Deoxyguanosine	Deoxyguanylate (dGMP)
Thymine (T)	Thymidine	Thymidylate (TMP)
Cytosine (C)	Deoxycytidine	Deoxycytidylate (dCMP)

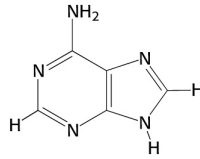
Know names

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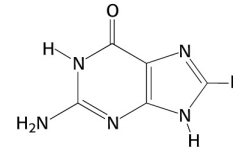
PURINES



Purine



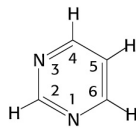
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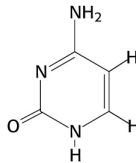
Guanine

Hypoxanthine, Xanthine

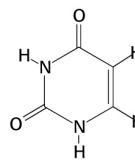
PYRIMIDINES



Pyrimidine

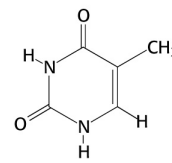


Cytosine



Uracil

Orotate



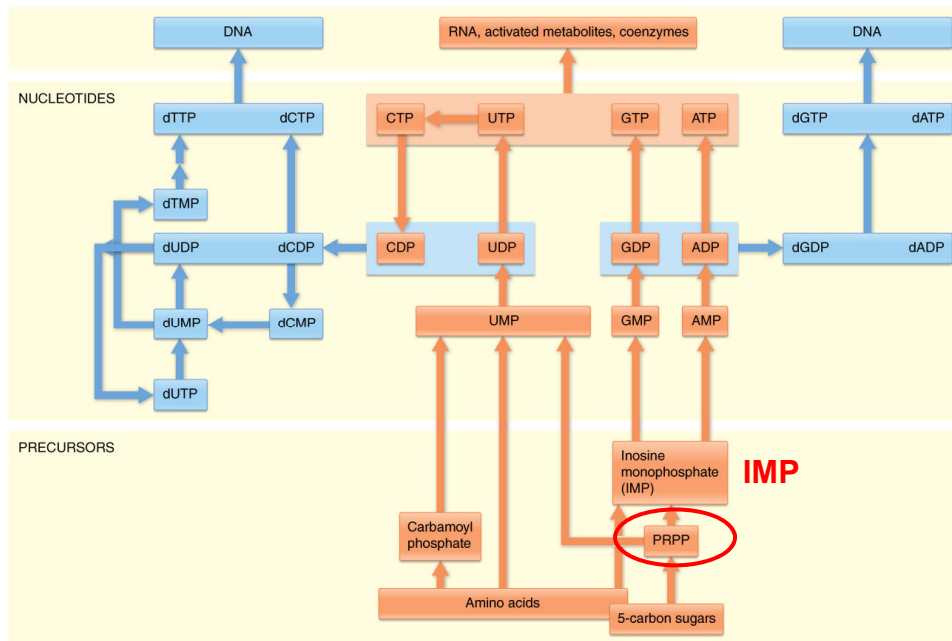
Thymine

Know names and structures

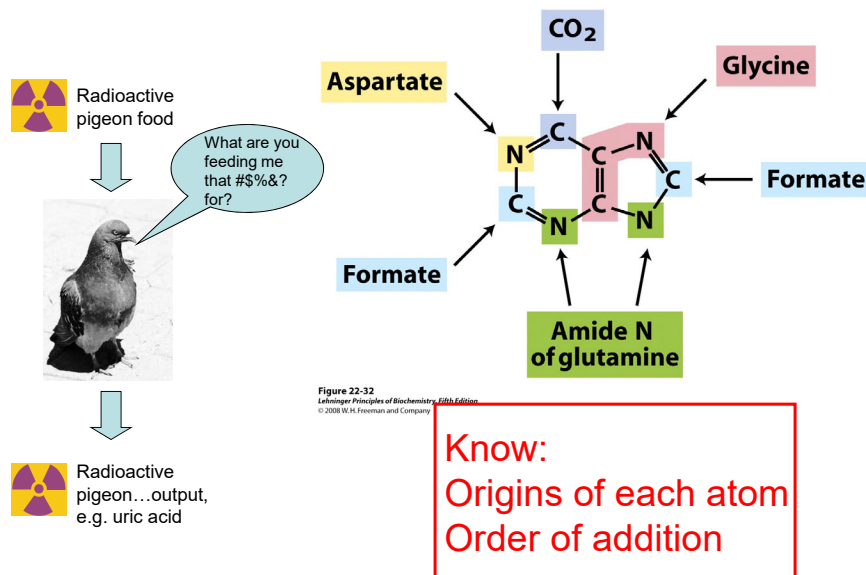
Nucleotide biosynthesis

- **Two pathways:**
 - **De novo:** Synthesis from amino acids, ribose-5-phosphate, CO_2 , and NH_3
 - **Salvage:** Recycle free bases and nucleosides (mostly from diet)
- **De novo pathways are nearly universally conserved in all organisms**

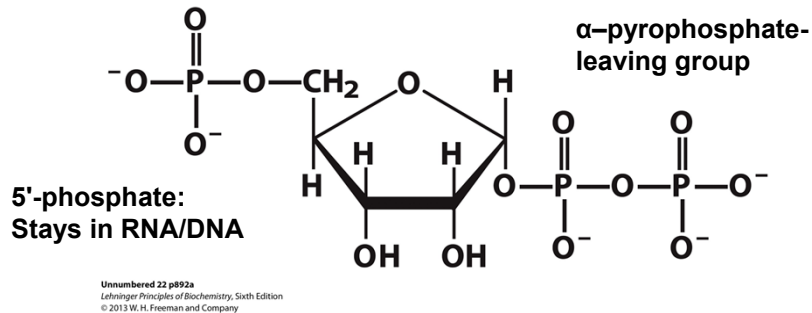
Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



De novo purine synthesis



PRPP: Origin of the nucleotide ribose



- From pentose phosphate pathway
- **PRPP** needed in other pathways (histidine, tryptophan)
- Rings are built while attached to **ribose-5-phosphate**

IMP synthesis: Steps 1-3

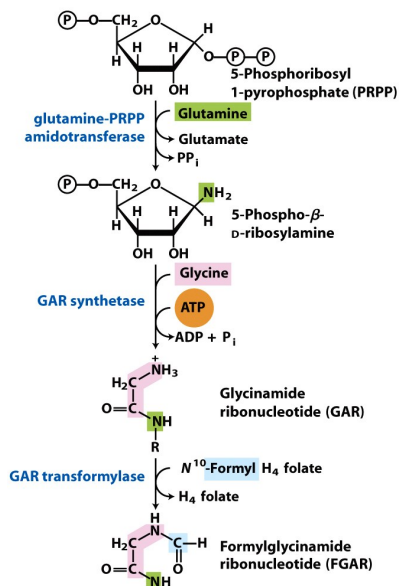


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Step 1: form N9

- PRPP is **activated precursor** (AP)
- inversion of configuration
- **committed step, tightly regulated**

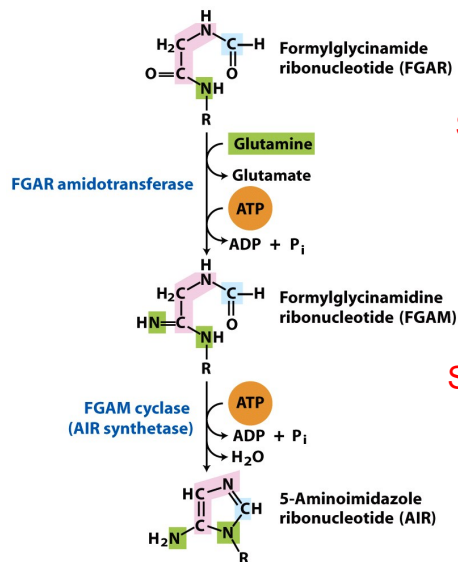
Step 2: form C4, C5, N7

- phosphorylglycine AP
- Glycine amino: next nucleophile
- all atoms of glycine remain

Step 3: form C8

- N_{10} formyl-THF donates formyl group

IMP synthesis: Steps 4+5



Step 4: form N3

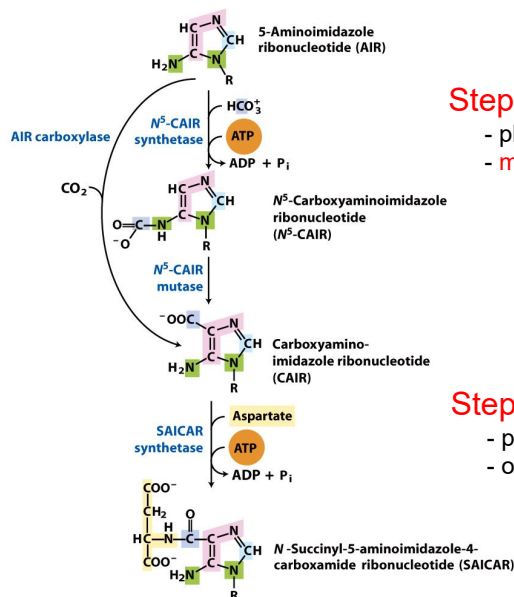
- C4 amide phosphorylation AP
- amidine formed by NH_3 from Gln

Step 5: cyclization

- C8 amide phosphorylation AP
- 5-member (imidazole) ring complete
- activation by phosphorylation ensures irreversibility

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IMP synthesis: Steps 6 + 7



Step 6: form C6

- phosphorylcarbonate AP (bacteria/fungi)
- mammals- no ATP requirement

Step 7: form N1

- phosphorylcarboxylate AP
- only Asp amino will remain

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IMP synthesis: Steps 8-10

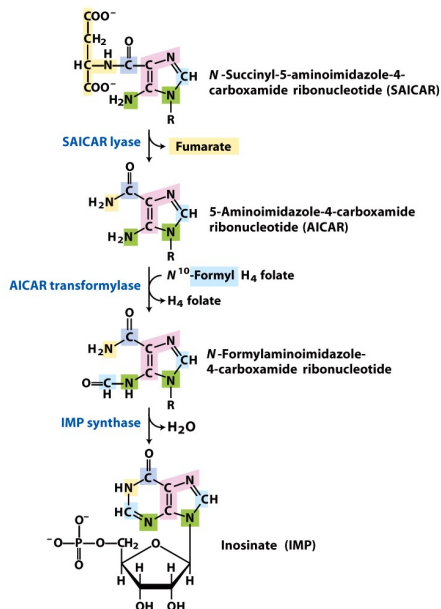


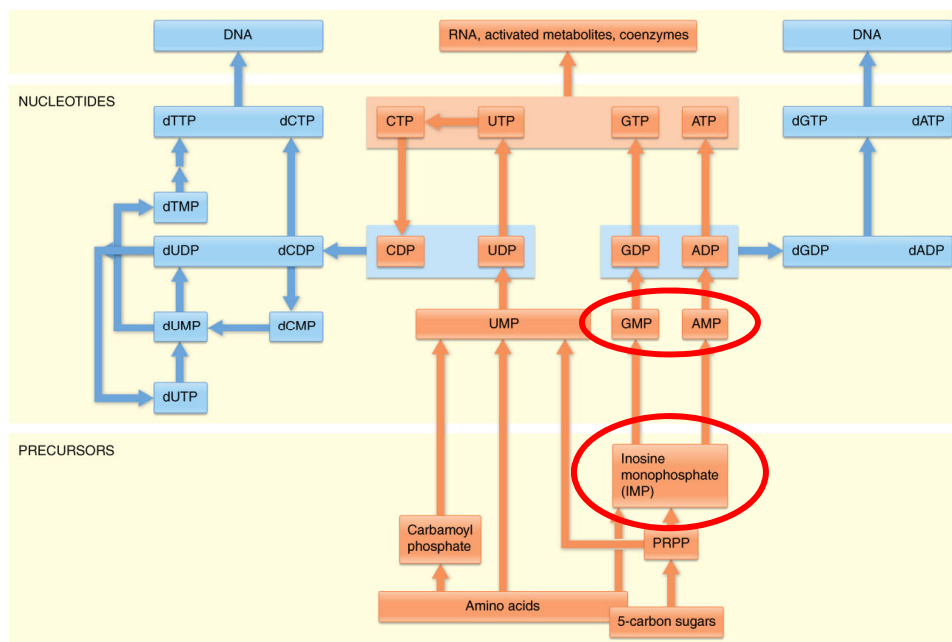
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Step 8: eliminate fumarate
- citrulline → arginine (urea cycle)

Step 9: form C2
- N-formyl-THF donor
- second N-formyl THF reaction

Step 10: cyclization #2
- thermodynamically favorable cyclization reaction (no activation)
- 6-member ring complete
- end product: **IMP**

Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



AMP and GMP synthesis: from IMP

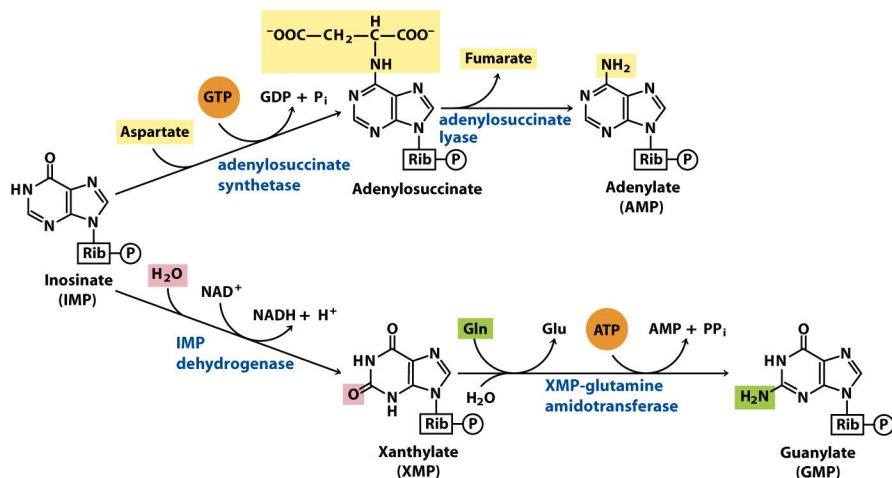
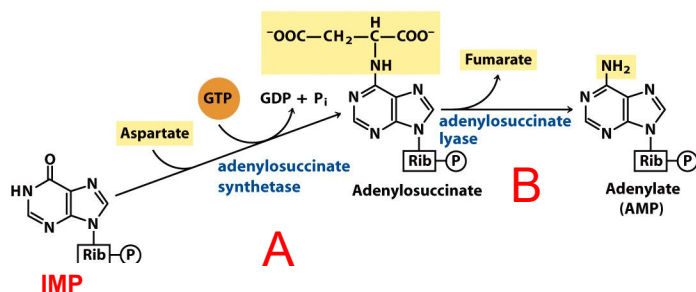


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AMP and GMP synthesis: from IMP



Same as steps 8 and 9 of IMP biosynthesis-
EXCEPT: Step A uses **GTP** for phosphate
activation step

Step B is same enzyme used for IMP pathway

AMP and GMP synthesis: from IMP

Step A: addition of water and dehydrogenation by NAD^+

Step B: nucleophilic displacement of activated carbonyl
EXCEPT: activated with **AMP**, not phosphate

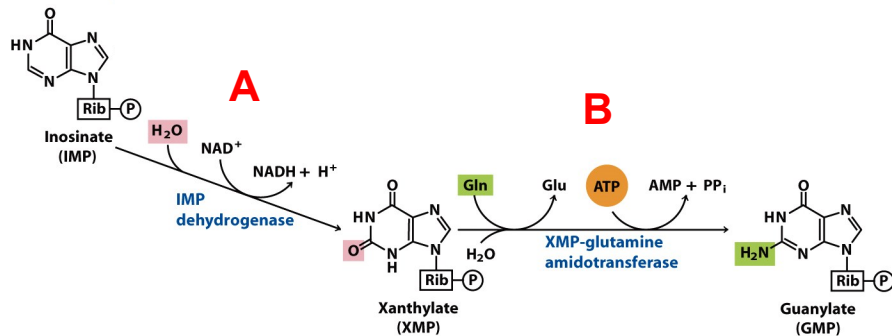
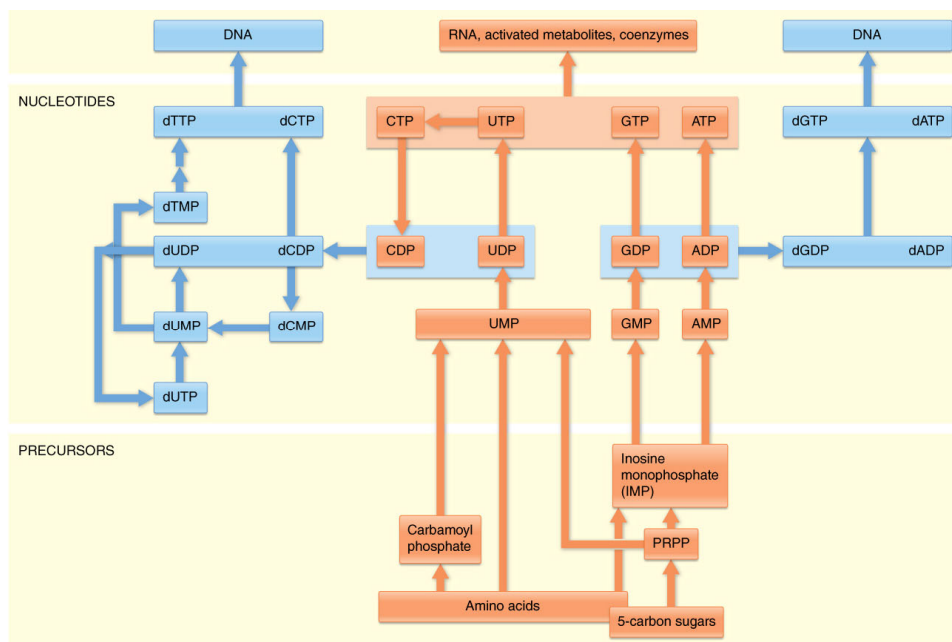


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Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



Need for precise regulation in vivo

Intracellular pools of NTP/dNTPs (mM):

	<u><i>E.coli</i></u>	<u>Mammals</u>	
ATP	3.0	2.8	
GTP	0.92	0.48	
CTP	0.52	0.21	
UTP	0.89	0.48	
dATP	0.18	0.013	} Not much room for error
dGTP	0.12	0.005	
dCTP	0.07	0.022	
dTTP	0.08	0.023	

Regulation of purine synthesis

Important to balance:

deficiency= lethal

overabundance= mutagenic

Four points of control in *E. coli*

three mechanisms:

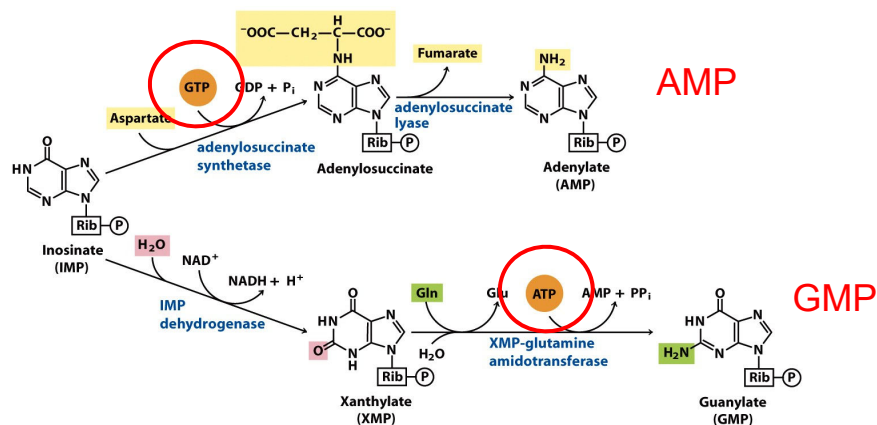
Reciprocal control

Feedback inhibition (3 steps)

Feedforward activation

Regulation of purine synthesis

Purine regulation #1: Reciprocal control

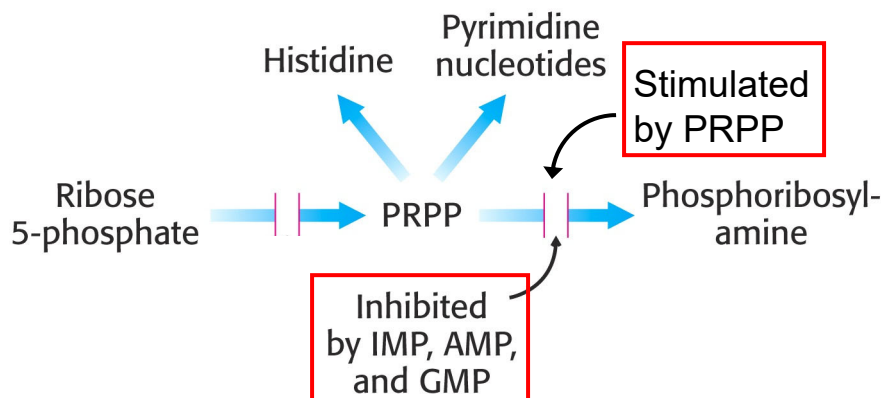


Regulation of purine synthesis

Purine regulation #2: Committed step

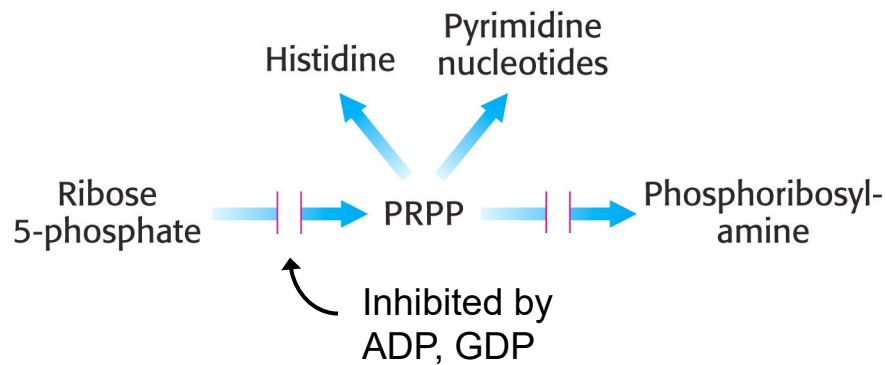
Feedback inhibition: AMP and GMP bind to different sites

Feedforward activation: PRPP



Regulation of purine synthesis

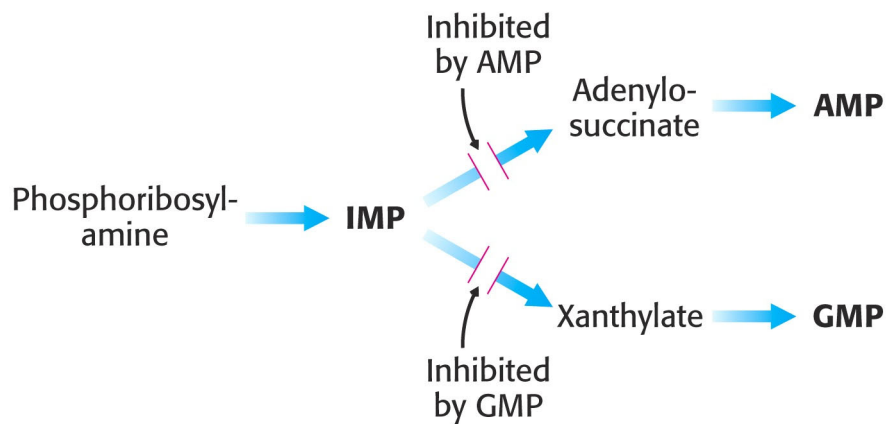
Purine regulation #3: Feedback inhibition of PRPP formation



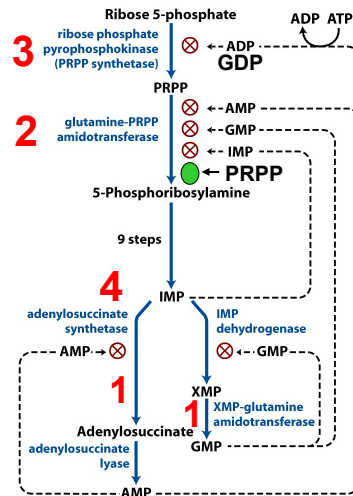
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Purine regulation #4: Feedback inhibition

AMP, GMP competitive inhibitors of branchpoint enzymes



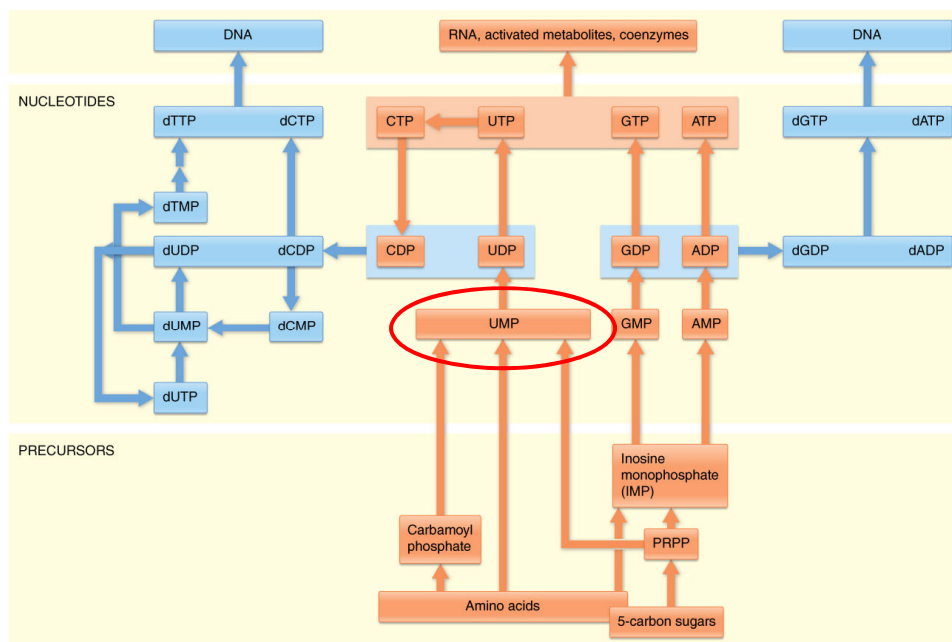
Regulation of purine synthesis in *E. coli*



Multiple points of control

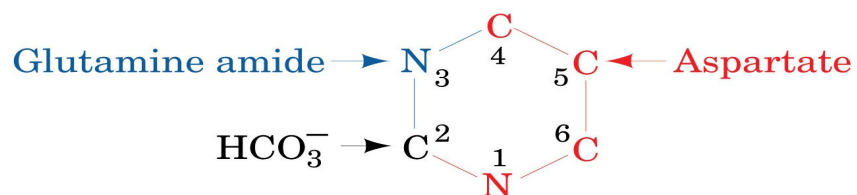
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Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



De novo pyrimidine synthesis

- *De novo* pathway leads to UMP
UMP phosphorylated to UTP, then → CTP
- Build nucleobase (**orotate**) first, then attach to PRPP



De novo pyrimidine synthesis

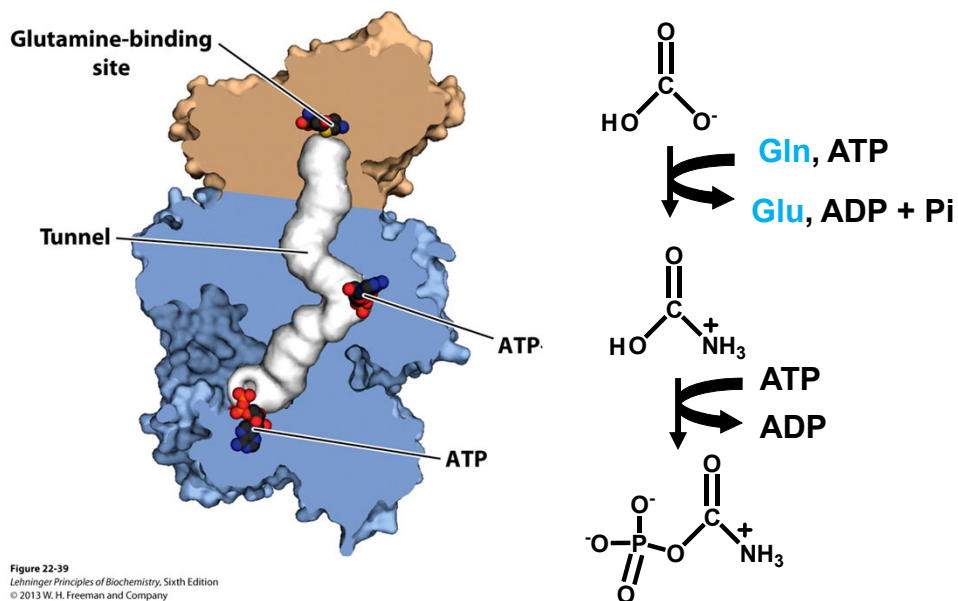
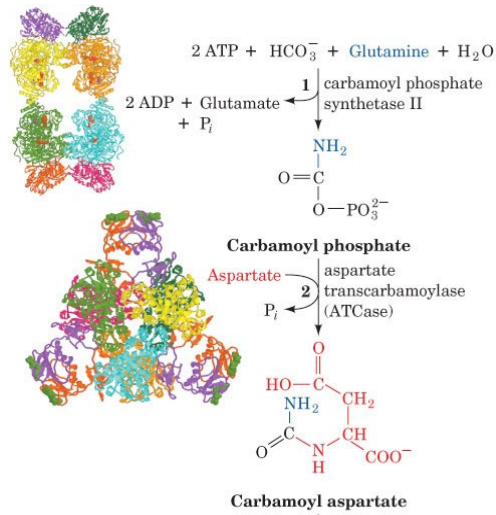


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UMP synthesis steps 1-2



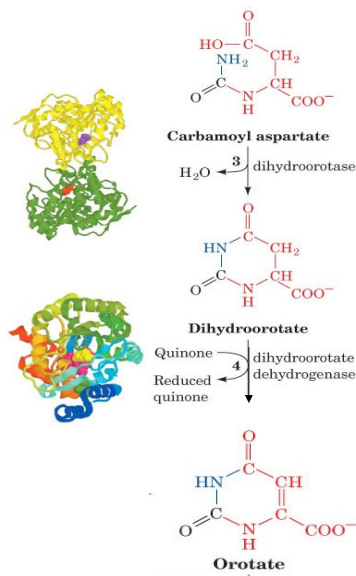
Step 1: form N3, C2

- phosphoryl carbonate AP
- 2 enzymes in mammals (one cyto, one mito)
- 2 molecules of ATP

Step 2: form N1, C4,5,6

- phosphoryl carbamate AP
- all atoms of ring complete

UMP synthesis steps 3-4



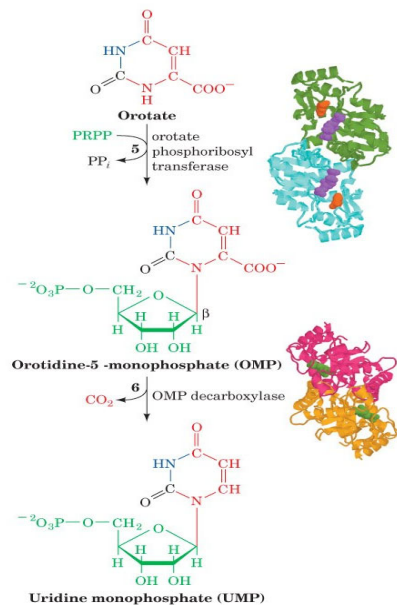
Step 3: cyclization

- ring closure with loss of H_2O

Step 4: oxidation

- key intermediate (orotate)
- target for treatment of rheumatoid arthritis

UMP synthesis steps 5-6



Step 5: attach to ribose

- PRPP is AP
- also participates in salvage pathways

Step 6: decarboxylation

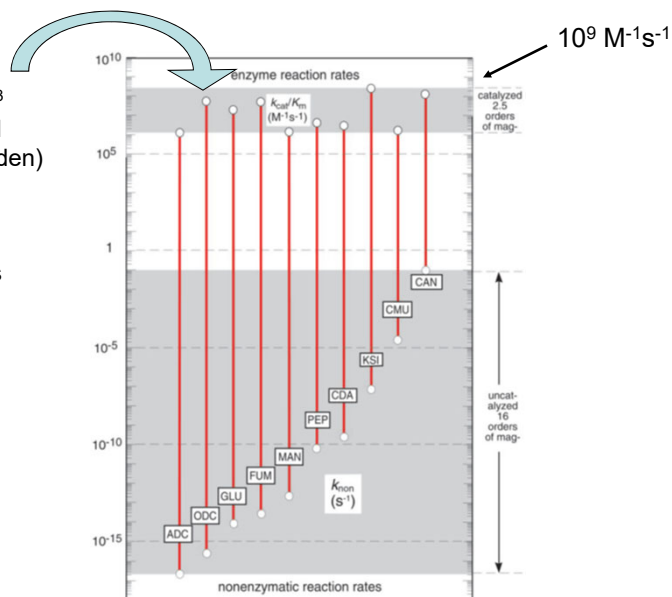
- UMP is final product
- one of most catalytically proficient enzymes known

Enzymes produce large rate enhancements over non-catalyzed rates

ODC:
enhances k_{cat}/K_M 10^{23}
over uncatalyzed
reaction (Wolfenden)

uncatalyzed $t_{1/2}$ = 87
million years

catalyzed $t_{1/2}$ = 18 ms



Richard Wolfenden and co-workers

Regulation of pyrimidine synthesis

Different committed step: eukaryotes vs. prokaryotes

mammals: step 1 (CPSII)

bacteria: step 2 (ATCase)

Mammals:

1) CPSII

2) OMP decarboxylase

Bacteria:

ATCase: classic allosteric control

Regulation of pyrimidine synthesis

Bacteria:

1) ATCase

ATP activates

CTP inhibits

Mammals:

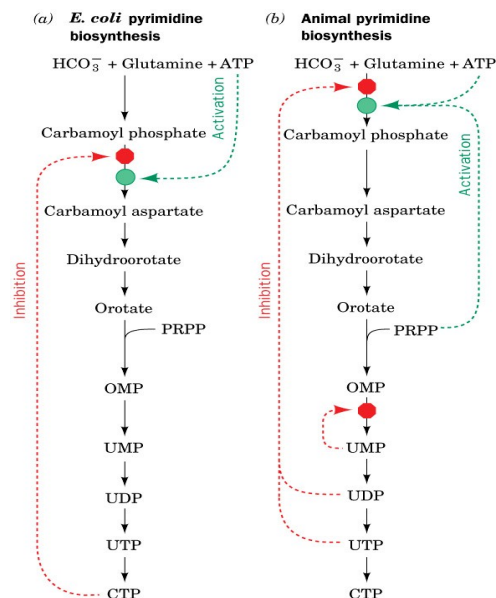
1) CPSII

ATP, PRPP activate

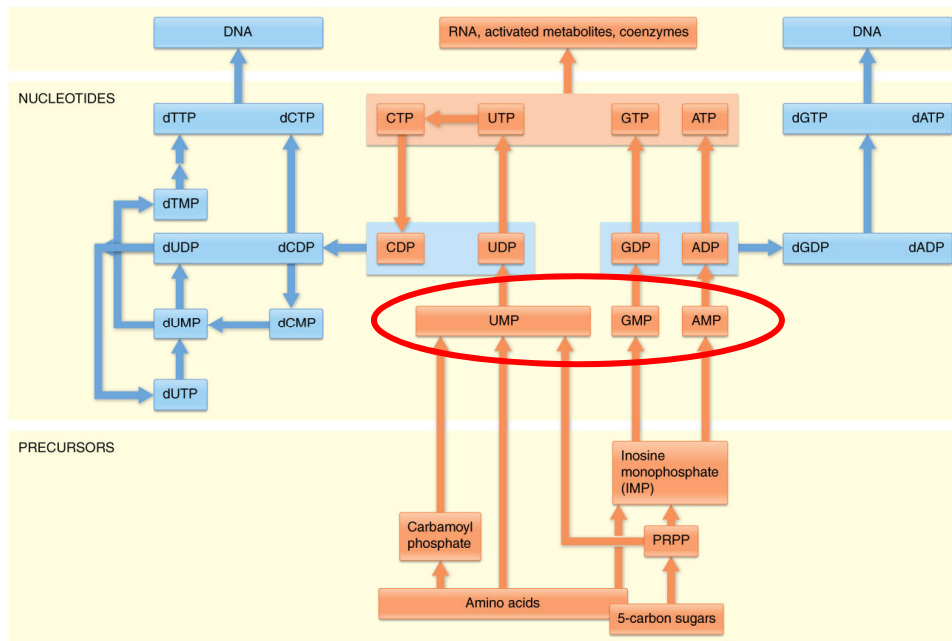
UDP, UTP inhibit

2) OMP decarboxylase

UMP (CMP) compet inh.



Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



Conversion to nucleoside triphosphate

- 1) **Nucleoside monophosphate kinases** (NMP kinase):
Specific for each base
 Not specific for sugar (ribo or deoxy)

Adenylate kinase: $\text{AMP} + \text{ATP} \longrightarrow 2 \text{ADP}$

Guanylate kinase: $\text{GMP} + \text{ATP} \longrightarrow \text{GDP} + \text{ADP}$

Uridylate kinase: $\text{UMP} + \text{ATP} \longrightarrow \text{UDP} + \text{ADP}$

Cytidylate kinase: $\text{CMP} + \text{ATP} \longrightarrow \text{CDP} + \text{ADP}$

Conversion to nucleoside triphosphate

2) Nucleoside diphosphate kinases (NDP kinase):

Not specific for each base

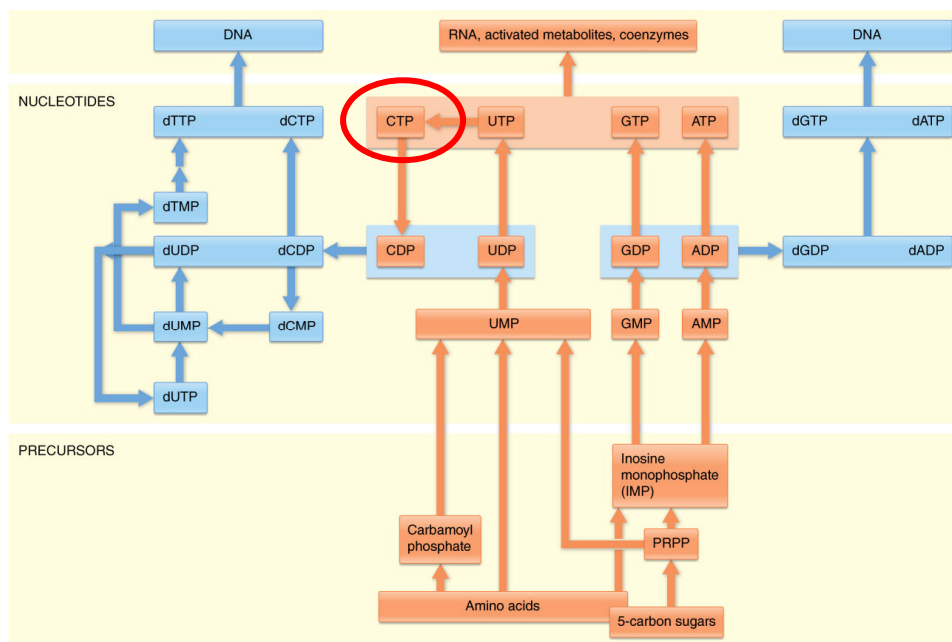
Not specific for sugar (ribo or deoxy)

ATP is *de facto* phosphate donor

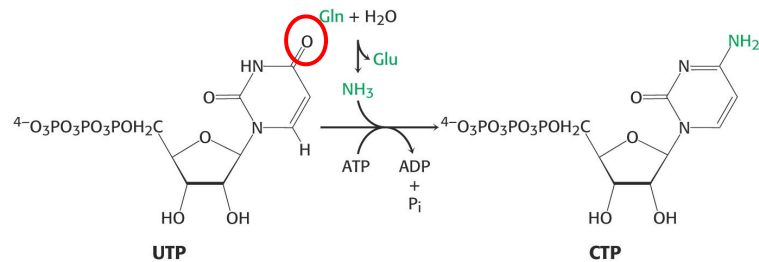
ATP abundance drives reaction ($\Delta G \sim 0$)



Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view



Finally: Synthesis of CTP!



Cytidylate synthetase:

- C4 carbonyl phosphate is AP
- nucleophilic displacement by NH₃

Nucleotide biosynthesis: birds-eye view

