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FOTOESPOSIZIONE E PREVENZIONE DERMOCOSMETICA PER I DANNI DA SOVRAESPOSIZIONE E PRINCIPALI CONSEGUENZE

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CUTANEOUS AGING

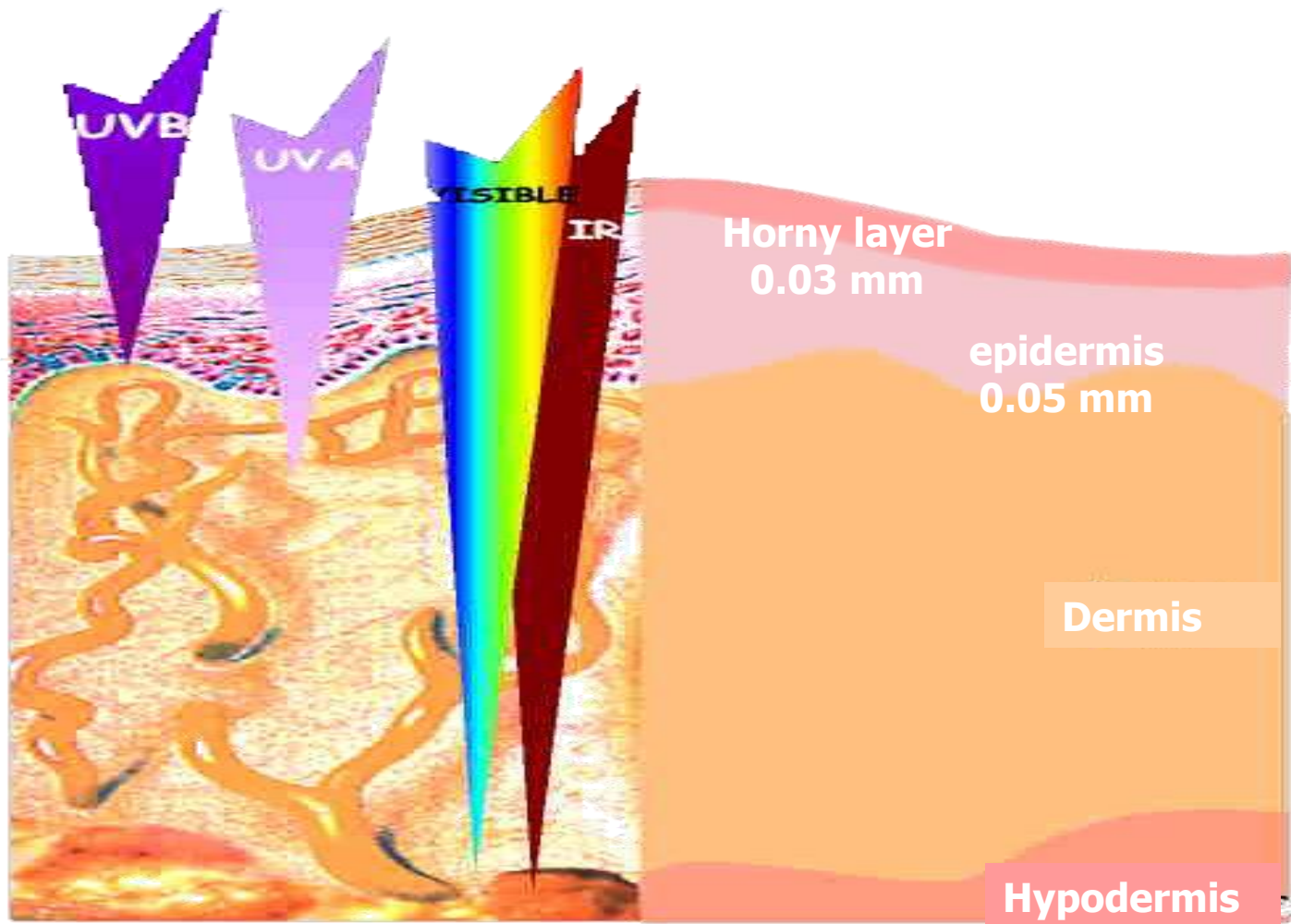


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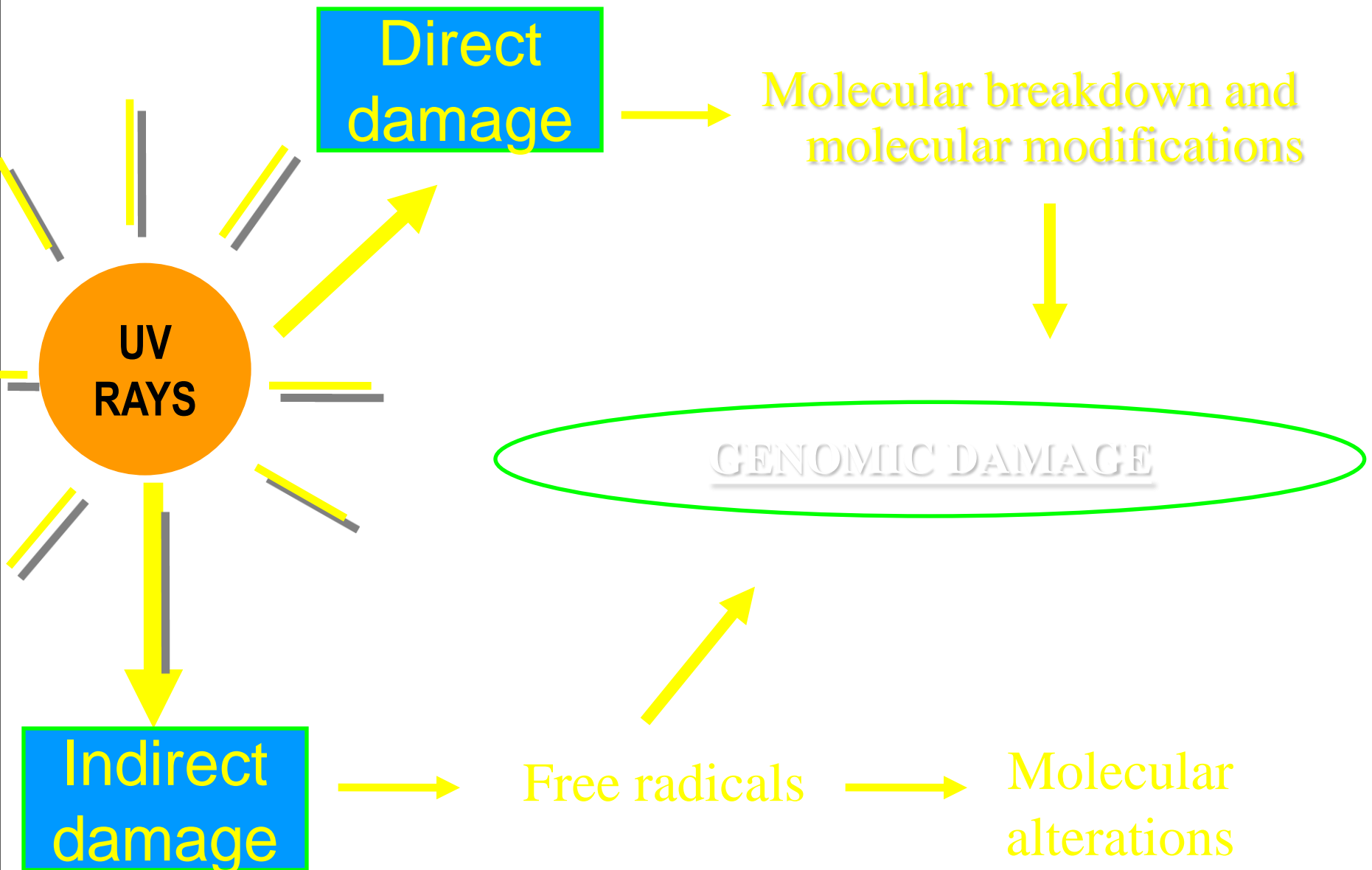
PHOTOAGING



PENETRATION



Photobiological mechanisms of UV damaging



DIRECT UV PHOTOBIOLOGICAL DAMAGE

UVB



chromophore



keratin

haemoglobine

porphirin

nucleic acids

melanin

lipoprotein

aromatic aminoacids

(tyrosine-histidine)

DIRECT INDUCED CHANGES BY UVB

UVB (280-320 nm)

300 nm

PYRIMIDINE – PYRIMIDINE (DNA)

THYMINE DIMERS

NUCLEOTIDE
EXCISION
REPAIR

PYRIMIDINE – PYRIMIDINE

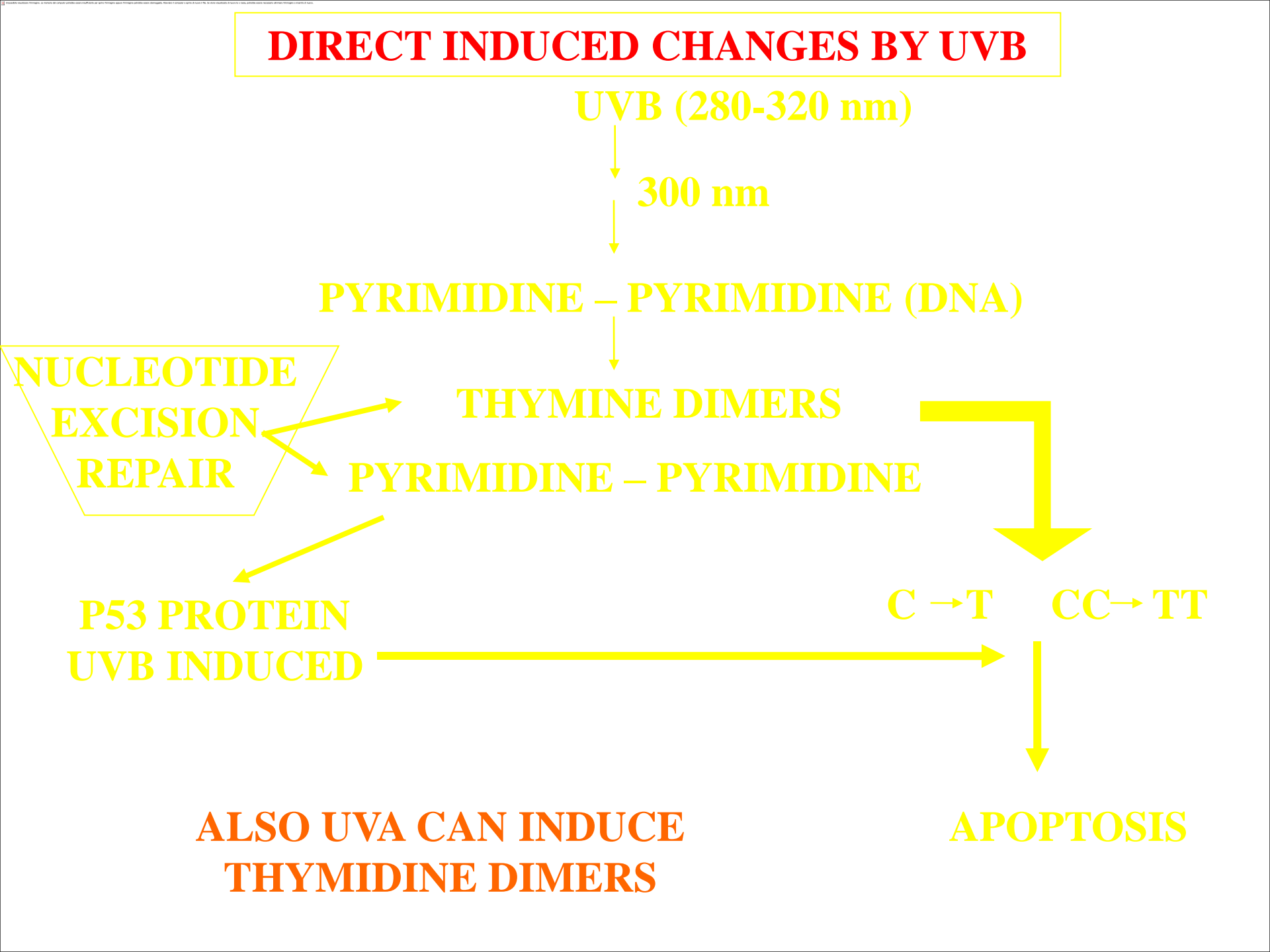
P53 PROTEIN
UVB INDUCED

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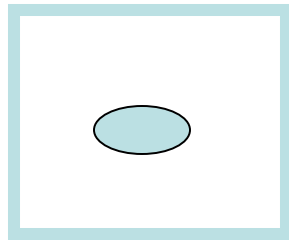
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ALSO UVA CAN INDUCE
THYMIDINE DIMERS

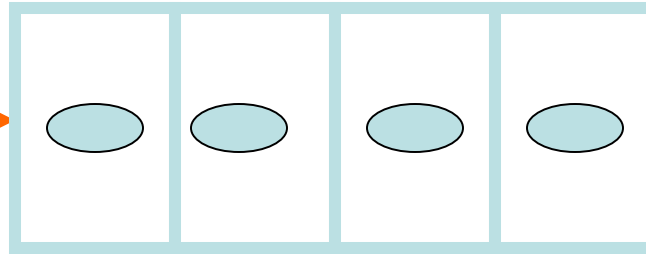
APOPTOSIS



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NO
REPAIR



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APOPTOSIS

*MUTATION
ON P 53
GENOME*

CLONAL EXPANSION

*CELLULAR
ALTERATION
LEADING TO
PHOTOAGING
AND
SKIN CANCER*

Clinical expression of *p53* genomic damage

Single allele damage → Actinic keratosis

Double allele damage → Sq cells carcinoma

Patch damage of genoma → Basal cells carcinoma

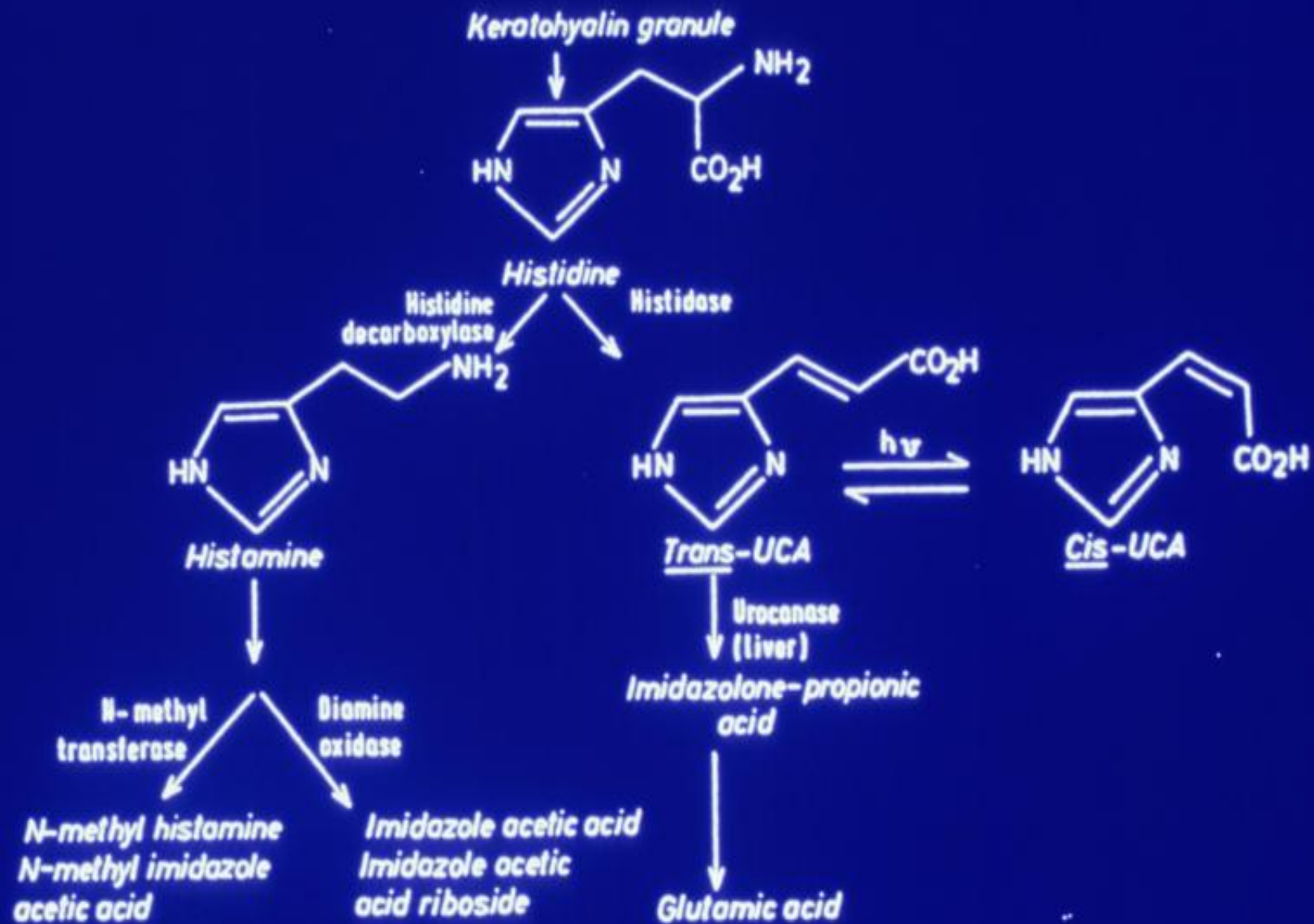


Figure 1. Metabolic pathways of histidine, histamine and urocanic acid.



**Urocanic acid
isomerization**



**Immunosuppression
Immunomodulation**



- **Numerical reduction, morphological and antigenic modifications of Langerhans cells**
- **T lymphocytes lines cells activation**

INDIRECT UV PHOTOBIOLOGICAL DAMAGE

UVA

chromophore

photonic absorption

**excited molecules
and free radicals formation**

biochemical reaction

cellular damage

keratin

haemoglobine

porphirin

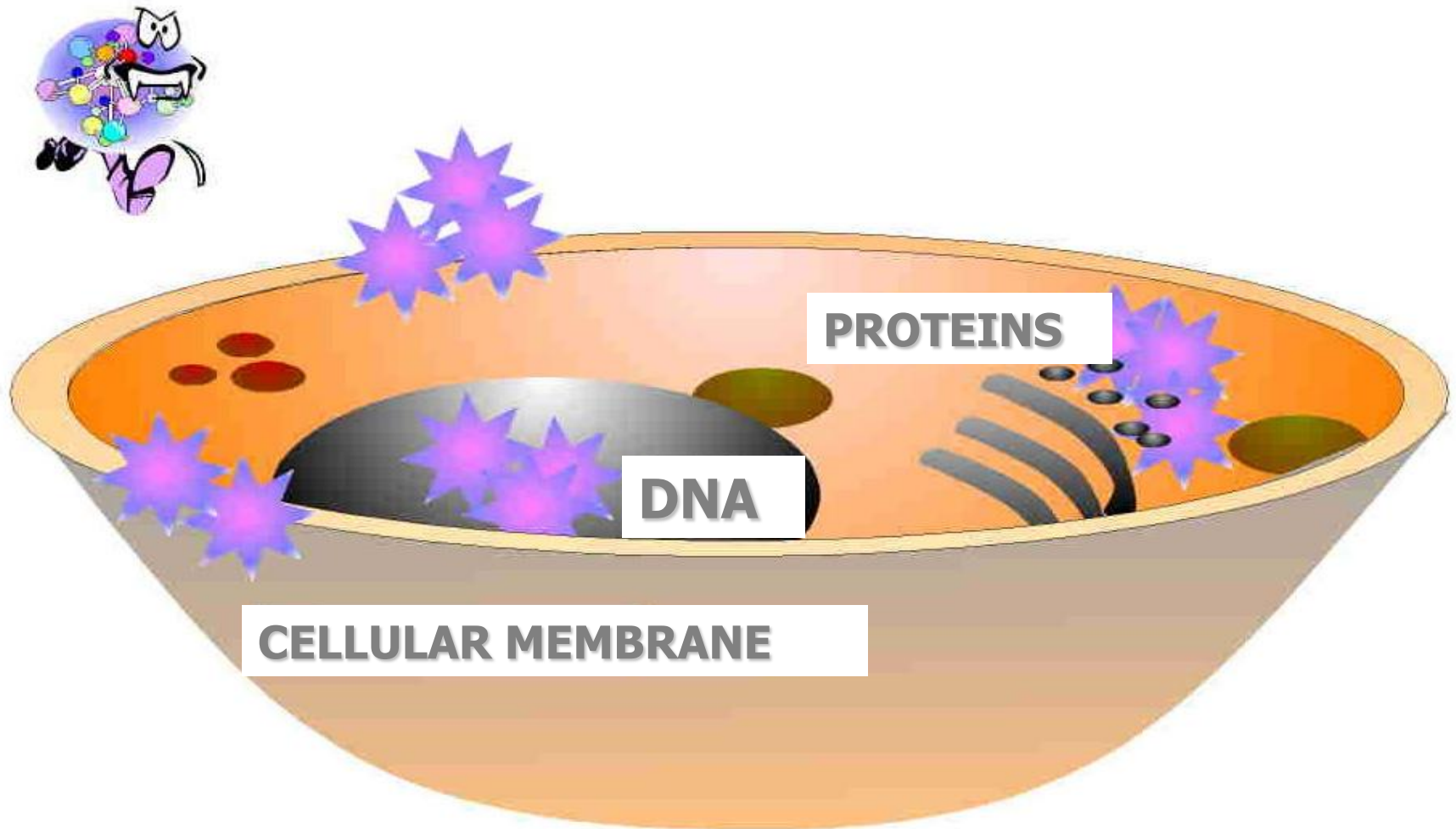
nucleic acids

melanin

lipoprotein

**aromatic aminoacids
(tyrosine-histidine)**

FREE RADICALS



**Biological
oxidations**

**Radiations and
chemical
pollutans**

O_2^- , OH^- , $^1\text{O}_2$, H_2O

**Enzyme
inactivation**

DNA damage

**Tocopherol,
 β -Carotene,
Ascorbic acid,
Glutathione**

Lipid peroxidation

Superoxide dismutase (SOD)



H_2O_2

Catalase



Glutathione peroxidase (GSH-Px)



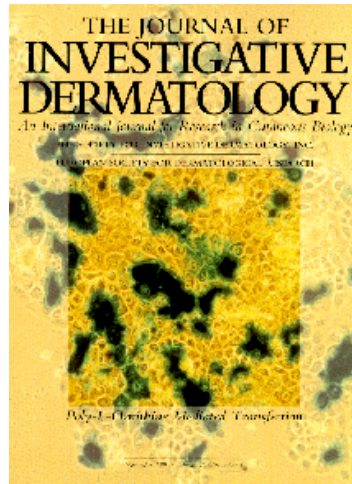
H_2O

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B-Carotene Interferes with Ultraviolet Light A-Induced Gene Expression by Multiple Pathways

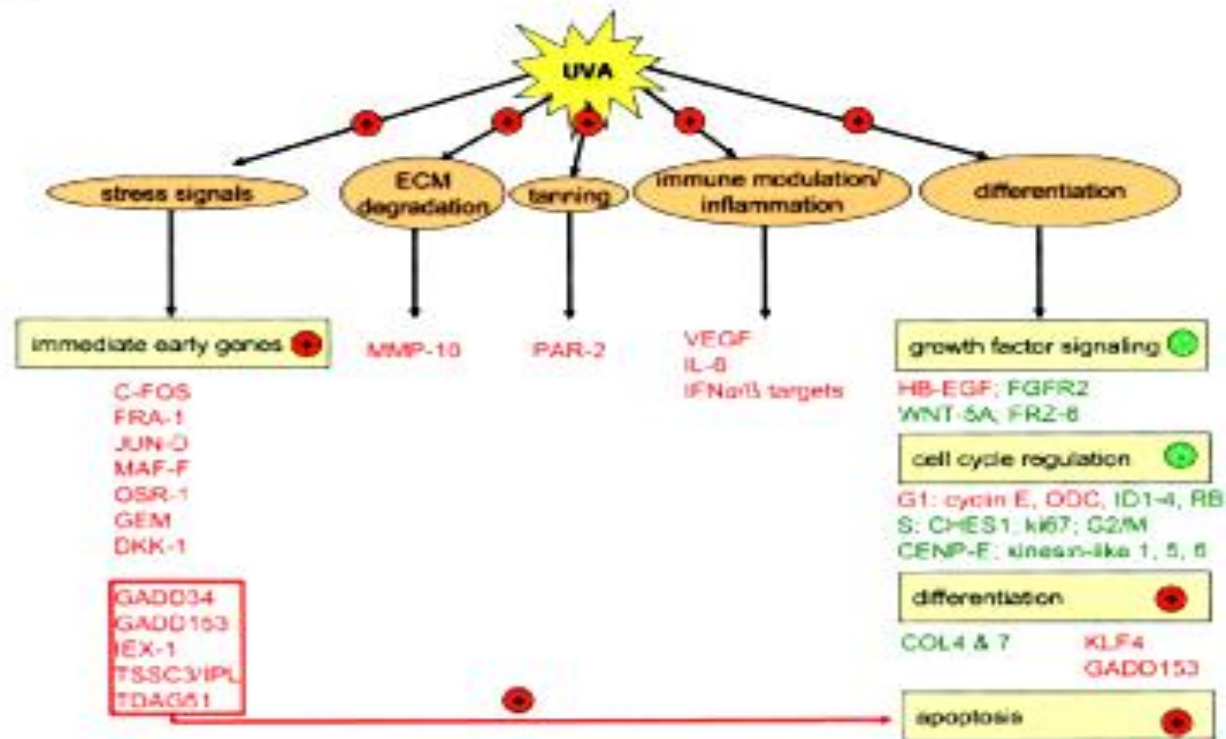
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Ultraviolet light A (UVA) exposure is thought to cause skin aging mainly by singlet oxygen ((1)O(2))-dependent pathways. Using microarrays, we assessed whether pre-treatment with the (1)O(2) quencher beta-carotene (betaC; 1.5 microM) prevents UVA-induced gene regulation in HaCaT human keratinocytes. Downregulation of growth factor signaling, moderate induction of proinflammatory genes, upregulation of immediate early genes including apoptotic regulators and suppression of cell cycle genes were hallmarks of the UVA effect. Of the 568 UVA-regulated genes, betaC reduced the UVA effect for 143, enhanced it for 180, and did not interact with UVA for 245 genes. The different interaction modes imply that betaC/UVA interaction involved multiple mechanisms. In unirradiated keratinocytes, gene regulations suggest that betaC reduced stress signals and extracellular matrix (ECM) degradation, and promoted keratinocyte differentiation. In irradiated cells, expression profiles indicate that betaC inhibited UVA-induced ECM degradation, and enhanced UVA induction of tanning-associated protease-activated receptor 2. Combination of betaC-promoted keratinocyte differentiation with the cellular "UV response" caused synergistic induction of cell cycle arrest and apoptosis. In conclusion, betaC at physiological concentrations interacted with UVA effects in keratinocytes by mechanisms that included, but were not restricted to (1)O(2) quenching. The retinoid effect of betaC was minor, indicating that the betaC effects reported here were predominantly mediated through vitamin A-independent pathways.

Ultraviolet light A (UVA) effects in keratinocytes

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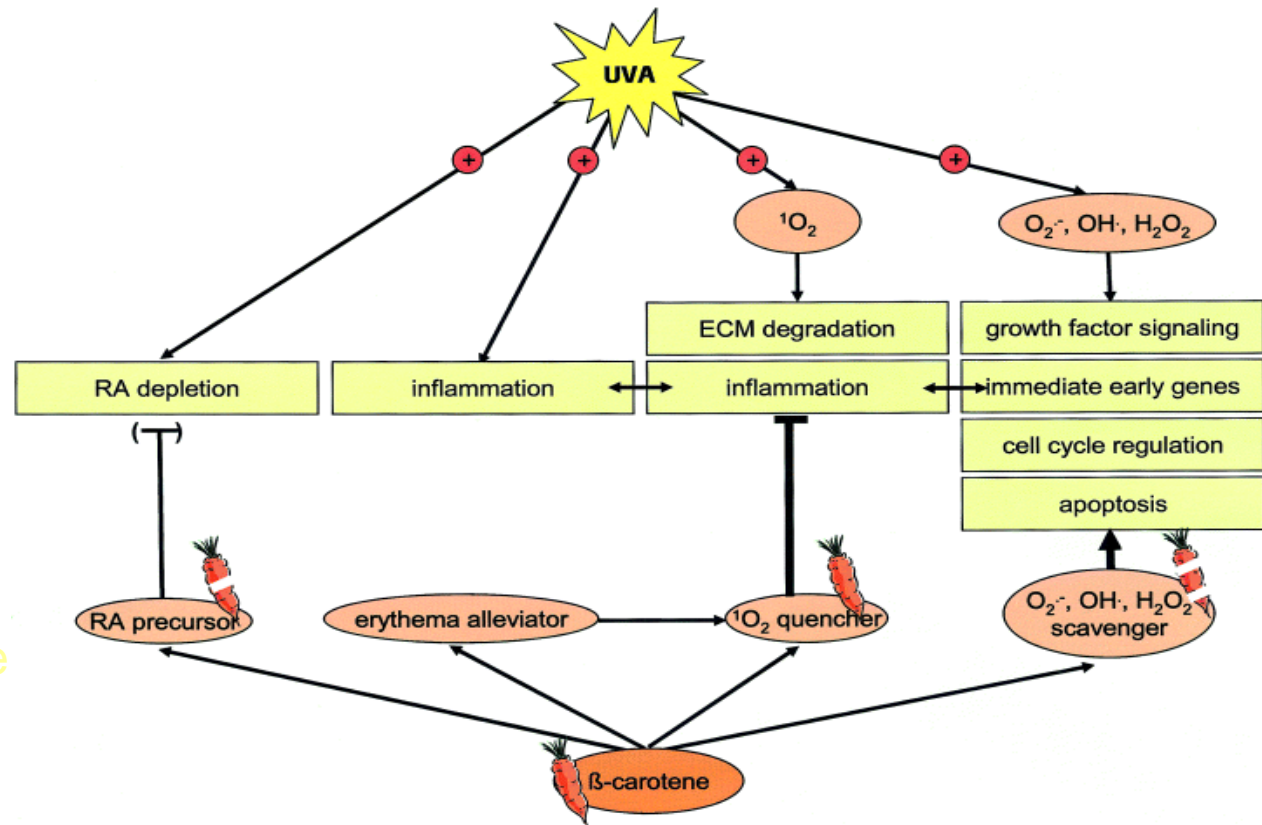


Proposed relationship of the modes of action of β -carotene to its influence on Ultraviolet light A-induced biological processes

- β -carotene

inhibited gene regulations by UVA, which promote ECM degradation, arguing for a photoprotective effect

- β -carotene enhanced UVA-induced PAR-2 (protease-activated receptor 2) expression, suggesting that β -carotene enhances tanning after UVA exposure.



- the combination of β -carotene induced differentiation with the cellular "UV response" led to a synergistic induction of cell cycle arrest and apoptosis by UVA and β -carotene.

Our results explain and integrate many conflicting reports on the efficacy of

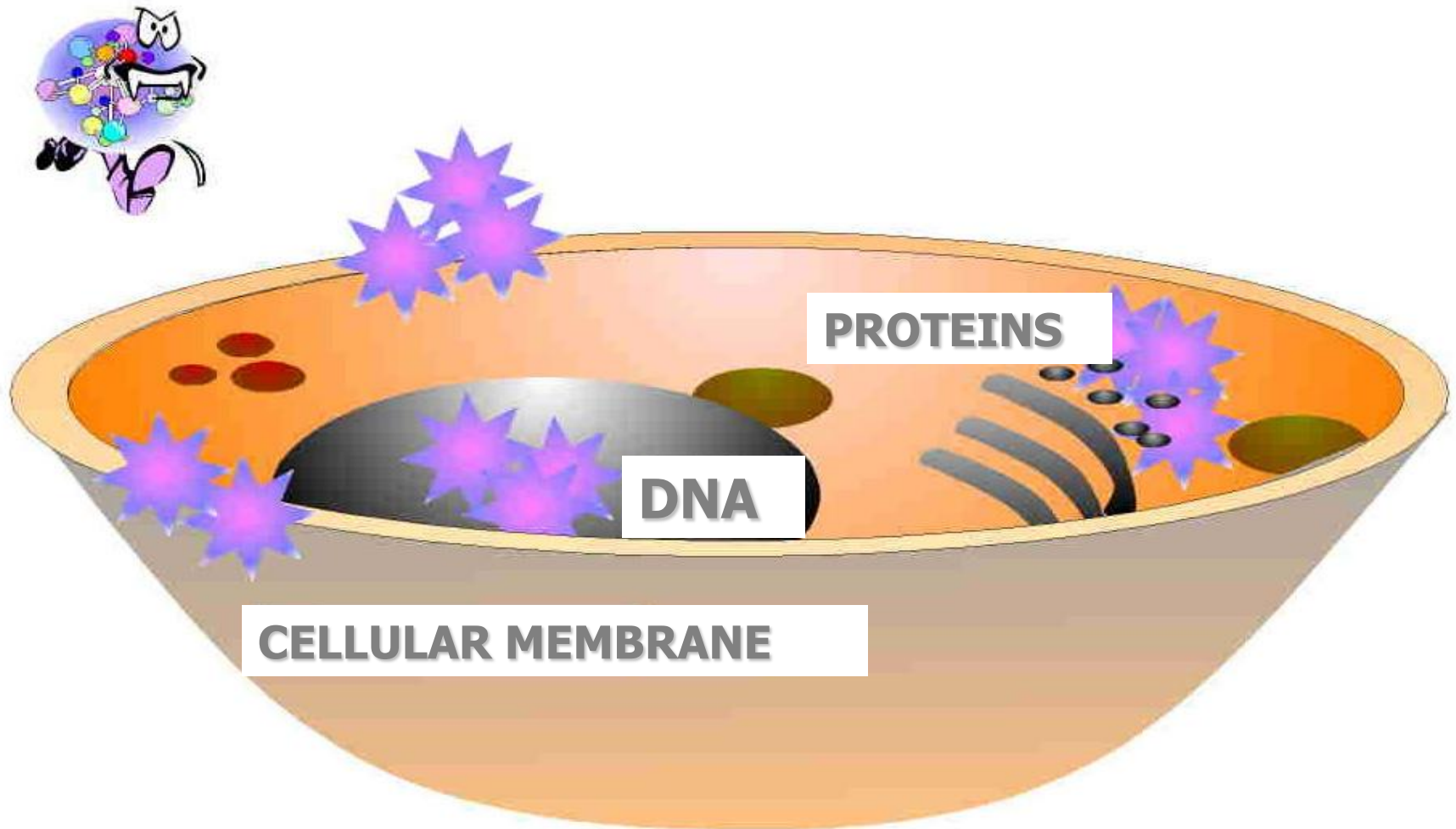
β -carotene as a $^1\text{O}_2$ quencher and as a general antioxidant in living cells.

The identified mechanisms, by which β -carotene acts on the skin have

implications on

skin photoaging, as well as on relevant skin diseases, such as skin cancer and psoriasis.

FREE RADICALS

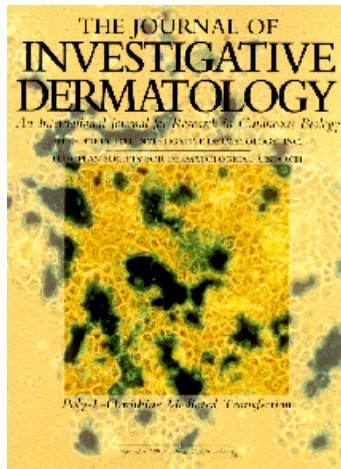


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The Creatine Kinase System in Human Skin: Protective Effects of Creatine Against Oxidative and UV Damage *In Vitro* and *In Vivo*

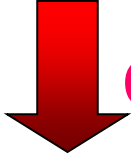
Lenz H, Schmidt M, Welge V, Schlattner U, Wallimann T, Elsasser HP, Wittern KP, Wenck H, Stab F, Blatt T.
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Cutaneous aging is characterized by a decline in cellular energy metabolism, which is mainly caused by detrimental changes in mitochondrial function. The processes involved seem to be predominantly mediated by free radicals known to be generated by exogenous noxes, e.g., solar ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Basically, skin cells try to compensate any loss of mitochondrial energetic capacity by extra-mitochondrial pathways such as glycolysis or the creatine kinase (CK) system. Recent studies reported the presence of cytosolic and mitochondrial isoenzymes of CK, as well as a creatine transporter in human skin. In this study, we analyzed the cutaneous CK system, focusing on those cellular stressors known to play an important role in the process of skin aging. According to our results, a stress-induced decline in mitochondrial energy supply in human epidermal cells correlated with a decrease in mitochondrial CK activity. In addition, we investigated the effects of creatine supplementation on human epidermal cells as a potential mechanism to reinforce the endogenous energy supply in skin. Exogenous creatine was taken up by keratinocytes and increased CK activity, mitochondrial function and protected against free oxygen radical stress. Finally, our new data clearly indicate that human skin cells that are energetically recharged with the naturally occurring energy precursor, creatine, are markedly protected against a variety of cellular stress conditions, like oxidative and UV damage *in vitro* and *in vivo*. This may have further implications in modulating processes, which are involved in premature skin aging and skin damage.

Oxidative damage of cellular and extracellular components activates intrinsic repair mechanisms, which necessarily require ATP for full functionality.

The PCr (phosphocreatine)/CK (creatine kinase) system together with the recently discovered Epidermal Creatine Transporter (CRT) (schlattner et al, 2002) provide human skin with an important tool to cope efficiently with conditions of high-energy demand.

In skin  CK-activity may be caused by the generation of ROS during cutaneous aging (Harman, 1956; Dolder *et al*, 2001). Specifically Mi-CK is a primary target for ROS, especially peroxynitrite (Stachowiak *et al*, 1998).

The epidermal creatine system, which is very important for cellular energy metabolism, obviously declines under oxidative stress conditions, including skin aging processes.

This study shows the significance of the PCR/CK system for epidermal energy supply and the beneficial effects of creatine supplementation both *in vitro* and *in vivo*.

The creatine supplementation results in less UV-induced mitochondrial DNA mutations in skin cells (krutmann, 2001).

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Ultraviolet A irradiation induces NF-E2-related factor 2 activation in dermal fibroblasts: protective role in UVA-induced apoptosis.

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Ultraviolet (UV) radiation is one of the most important environmental factors involved in the pathogenesis of skin aging and cancer. Many harmful effects of UV radiation are associated with the generation of reactive oxygen species, and cellular antioxidants act to prevent the occurrence and reduce the severity of UV-induced skin disorders. Transcription factor NF-E2-related Factor 2 (Nrf2) and its cytoplasmic anchor protein Kelch-like-ECH-associated protein 1 (Keap1) are central regulators of the cellular antioxidant response. In this study, we investigated the effects of UV irradiation on the activation of Nrf2 in dermal fibroblasts. We found that UVA irradiation, but not UVB, causes nuclear translocation and accumulation of Nrf2 by a factor of 6.5 as compared with unirradiated controls. The nuclear accumulation of Nrf2 induced by UVA was enhanced by the photosensitizer hematoporphyrin. To evaluate the protective role of Nrf2 against UVA radiation, we examined UVA-induced apoptosis using dermal fibroblasts derived from *nrf2* or *keap1* gene knockout mice. Whereas disruption of *nrf2* increased the number of apoptotic cells following UVA irradiation by 1.7-fold, disruption of *keap1* decreased the apoptotic cell number by half as compared with wild-type controls. These findings thus demonstrate that the Nrf2-Keap1 pathway plays an important role in the protection of the skin against UVA irradiation.

Both UVA and UVB irradiations provoke apoptosis of the dermal cells. The mechanism of apoptosis induced by UVA has been suggested to be different from that induced by UVB:

- UVA induces apoptosis mainly through downregulation of Bcl-2 expression
- UVB-induced apoptosis accompanies the accumulation of p53 (wang *et al*, 1998).

In this regard, Godar *et al*. classified the mechanisms of UV-induced apoptosis as either immediate or delayed.

THE UVA IRRADIATION IS MUCH LESS
MUTAGENIC THAN UVB, IT FULLY ACTIVATES
THE **NRF2 KEAP1 PATHWAY** WITHIN 4 H AFTER
EXPOSURE TO UVA.



Key proteins in the coordinate
transcriptional induction of
various antioxidant-metabolizing
enzymes

SHOWED THAT THE **NRF2**-MEDIATED
INDUCTION OF A SET OF CYTOPROTECTIVE
GENES IS AN IMPORTANT PROCESS FOR THE
PROTECTION OF THE DERMAL CELLS FROM
UVA-INDUCED OXIDATIVE STRESS.

**THE PROTECTION OF CELLS FROM UVA-
INDUCED APOPTOSIS WAS SIGNIFICANTLY
DIMINISHED BY THE DISRUPTION OF *NRF2* .**

CATALASE, SUPEROXIDE DISMUTASE, AND
GLUTATHIONE PEROXIDASE (GPX), ALL OF
WHICH ELIMINATE ROS, ARE ALSO
DEPENDENT ON **NRF2** (LEE *ET AL*, 2003).

**UVA IRRADIATION INDUCES THE NUCLEAR
ACCUMULATION OF **NRF2** IN DERMAL
FIBROBLASTS.**

**THE NRF2 KEAP1 SYSTEM PLAYS A
CRITICAL ROLE IN THE PROTECTION OF
DERMAL CELLS FROM THE DELETERIOUS
EFFECTS PROVOKED BY THE EXPOSURE TO
UVA.**

UVB → DNA → photoproducts

Lost of DNA
reparation

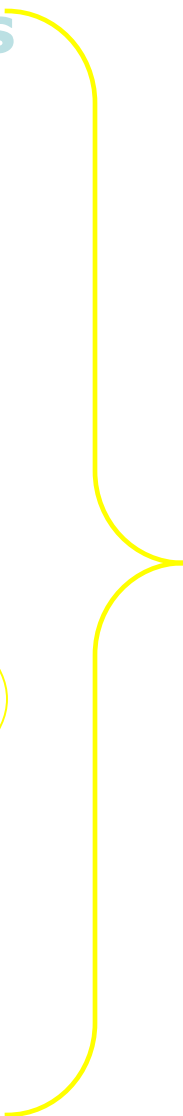
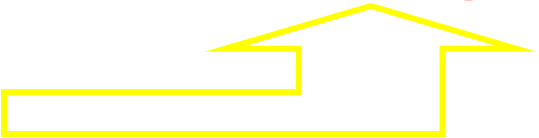
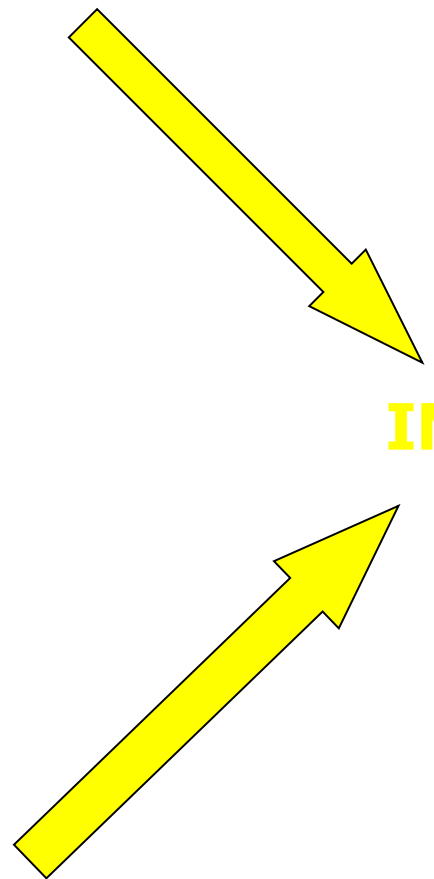
IMMUNOLOGICAL
ALTERATIONS

GENIC
MODIFICATIONS

FREE RADICALS

UVA → Target molecules
(chromophores)

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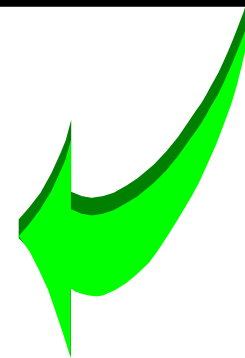
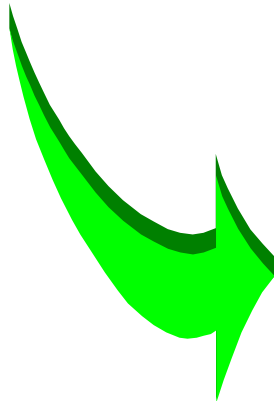


SKIN AGING

CHRONOAGING

PHOTOAGING

**FREE
RADICALS**



“The effect of sunscreen on skin elastase activity induced by ultraviolet-A irradiation”

Tsukahara K, Moriwaki S, Hotta M, Fujimura T, Sugiyama-Nakagiri Y, Sugawara S,
Kitahara

It has been reported that application of sunscreens prevents the photoaging of skin in animal models and in humans.

In the UVA sunscreen group, both the UVA induced skin damage and the increase in skin elastase activity were significantly inhibited, as compared to the vehicle group

Dermatol Clin. 2006 Jan;24(1):35-51

Human safety and efficacy of ultraviolet filters and sunscreen products.

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Ultraviolet (UV) filters are the active ingredients in sunscreens. The concentration and combination of UV filters determine the efficacy of sunscreens as measured by sun protection factor. The safety of individual UV filters, and, more generally, sunscreen products, is a matter of a few related components: objective toxicologic evaluation, phototoxicologic potential, and human health consequences of using products that may reduce some but not all of the solar UV. Of 16 UV filters approved by the US Food and Drug Administration, 9 are used in different combinations in the most currently marketed sunscreens. Most of these compounds are considered safe and effective alone or in combination with other UV filters based on extensive toxicologic/phototoxicologic evaluations and market history. The benefits from proper use of sunscreens outweigh real or perceived human health concerns, establishing a favorable benefit-to-risk ratio. Future UV filters will require complete human safety evaluations alone and in combination with select benchmark ingredients.

J Photochem Photobiol B. 1994 Jan;22(1):29-36.

Relationship between the ability of sunscreens containing 2-ethylhexyl-4'-methoxycinnamate to protect against UVR-induced inflammation, depletion of epidermal Langerhans (Ia+) cells and suppression of alloactivating capacity of murine skin in vivo.

Walker SL, Morris J, Chu AC, Young AR.

Department of Photobiology, St. John's Institute of Dermatology, United Medical School, Guy's Hospital, University of London, UK.

The UVB sunscreen 2-ethylhexyl-4'-methoxycinnamate was evaluated in hairless albino mouse skin for its ability to inhibit UVR-induced (i) oedema, (ii) epidermal Langerhans cell (Ia+) depletion and (iii) suppression of the alloactivating capacity of epidermal cells (mixed epidermal cell-lymphocyte reaction, MECLR). The sunscreen, prepared at 9% in ethanol or a cosmetic lotion, was applied prior to UVB/UVA irradiation. In some experiments there was a second application halfway through the irradiation. Single applications in both vehicles gave varying degrees of protection from oedema and Langerhans cell depletion but afforded no protection from suppression of MECLR. **When the sunscreens were applied twice there was improved protection from oedema and Langerhans cell depletion and complete protection was afforded from suppression of MECLR. There was a clear linear relationship between Langerhans cell numbers and oedema with and without sunscreen application.** The relationship between Langerhans cell numbers and MECLR was more complex. These data confirm published discrepancies between protection from oedema (a model for human erythema) and endpoints with immunological significance, but show that 2-ethylhexyl-4'-methoxycinnamate can afford complete immunoprotection, although protection is dependent on the application rate and vehicle.

Skin Pharmacol Physiol. 2005 Jul-Aug;18(4):201-8. Epub 2005 May

Efficacy of sunscreens containing pre-tocopheryl in a surviving human skin model submitted to UVA and B radiation.

Boisnic S, Branchet-Gumila MC, Merial-Kieny C, Nocera T

The aim of the present study was to evaluate by means of histological and biochemical tools the additive efficacy of pre-tocopheryl during photoprotection using a sunscreen containing mineral sunblock agents 50B-10A (TiO₂, ZnO) and pre-tocopheryl in comparison to a cream containing only mineral sunblock agents 50B-10A. For this purpose, an ex vivo technique and an acetone-impaired human skin model were used in order to approximate in vivo metabolic conditions. Creams were topically applied to the surface of the epidermis and submitted to UV radiations. Then, human skin explants were maintained alive in organ culture for 3 days. Free radical modulation was analysed by hydroperoxide assay. Epidermal (involucrin, cell proliferation, stratum corneum lipids) and dermal changes (elastic fibres and collagen) were studied. Analysis of ex vivo surviving skin samples impaired by UV irradiations and treated with the mineral sunscreen 50B-10A showed a significant decrease in hydroperoxide production and an improvement in the elastic fibre and collagen network in the dermis. Adding pre-tocopheryl to this formula induced an increase in involucrin and epidermal lipids such as squalenes and ceramides. Altogether, these results confirm the efficacy of the combination of a mineral sunscreen and pre-tocopheryl in photoprotection and free radical protection

Topical Retinoic Acid for the Amelioration of Photoaging

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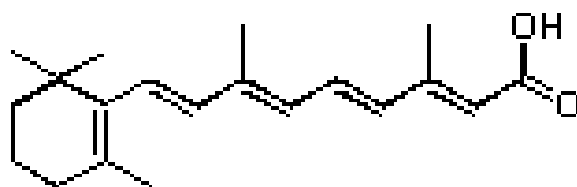
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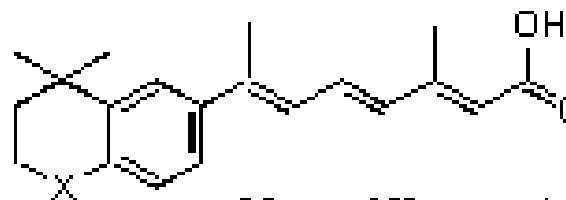
Fig. 1: Retinoidi di prima generazione

Parent Compounds

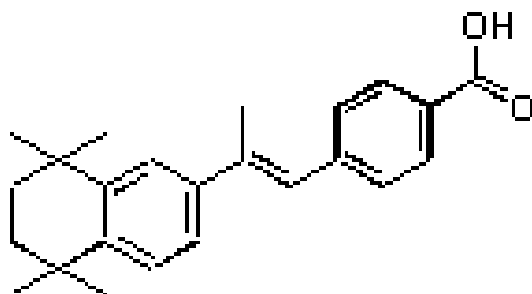


all-trans-retinoic acid, MTD 10 mg/kg/day

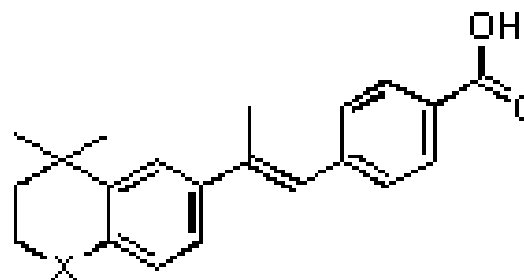
First Generation Heteroarotinoids



Monoaryl Heteroarotinoids
 $X = O$, MTD = 32 mg/kg/day
 $X = S$, MTD = 34 mg/kg/day

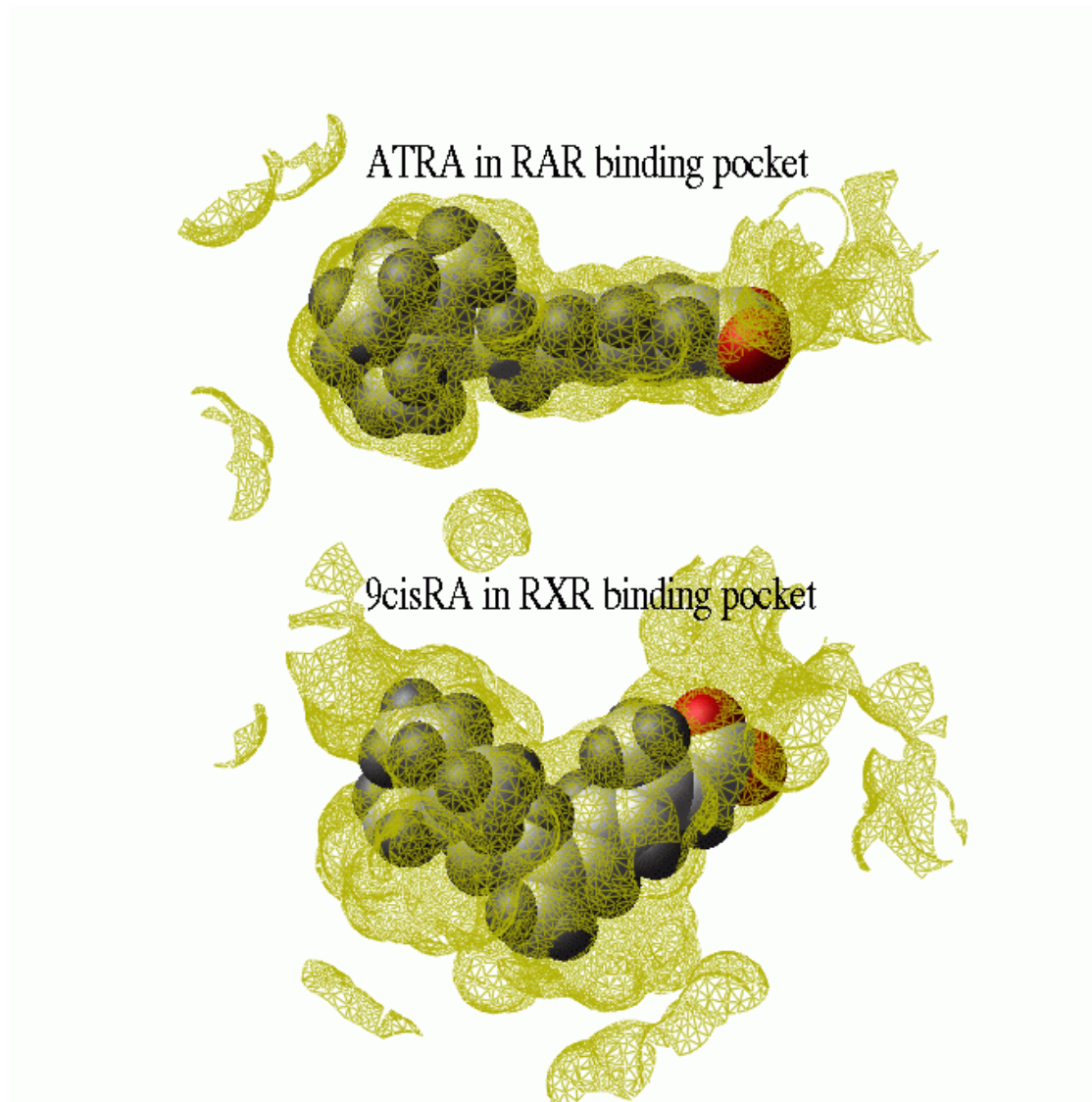


Arotinoid
 TTNPB, MTD = 0.01 mg/kg/day

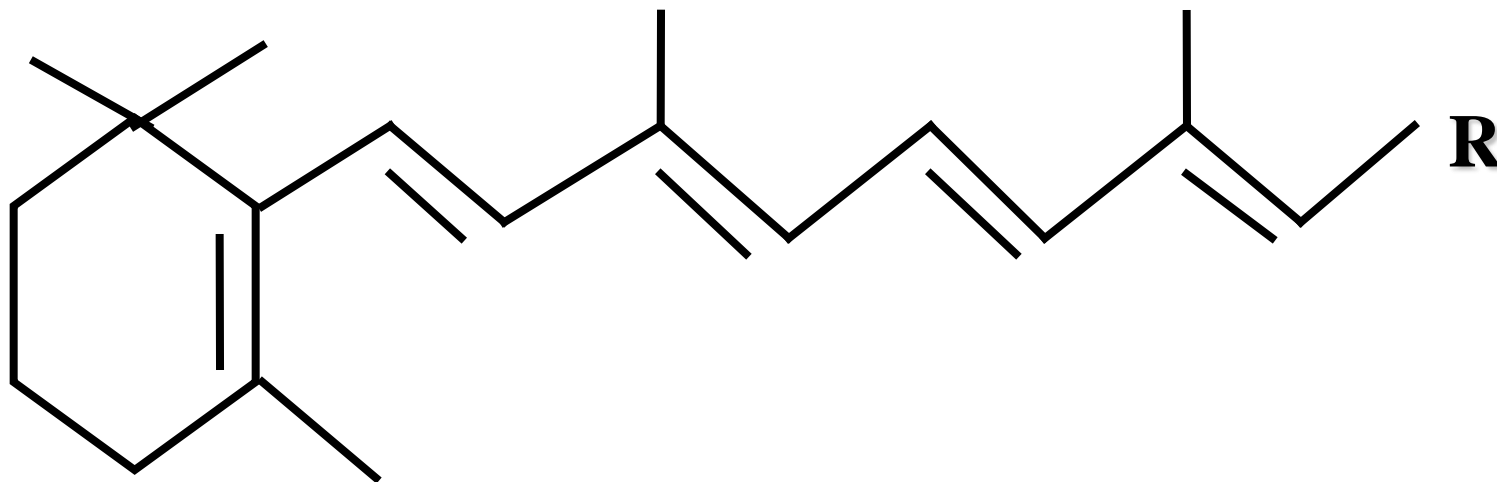


Diaryl Heteroarotinoid
 $X = O$, MTD = 9.4 mg/kg/day

Fig. 3: Legame ligando-recettore.



Natural Vitamin A Compounds



R= CH₂ OH : Retinol

R= CHO : Retinal

R= COOH : Retinoic Acid

ANTIOXIDANT SUBSTANCES

- **alpha-tocopherol**
- **ascorbic acid**
- **beta-carotene**
- **Superoxide dismutase**
- **Q10**
- **resveratrol**
- **ginkgo biloba**



Actual research lines

New
molecules
with anti
free radicals
activity

Improving of
biodisponibility
and stability of
active principles all
ready knewd.

Sinerging
mixing of anti
radical
substances.



THANK YOU !

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