



Chemotherapeutic Agents:
Drugs to Treat Neoplastic Agents-
Section 3- DNA Topoisomerase Poisons
& DNA Intercalating Agents
& DNA Interacting Agents

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Drugs Used to Treat Neoplastic Diseases

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TOPOISOMERASE POISONS CAMPTOTHECINS

- Irinotecan
- Topotecan

EIPODOPHYLLOTOXINS

- Etoposide
- Teniposide

ANTHRACYCLINES AND ANTHRACENEDIONES

- Aldoxorubicin
- Daunorubicin
- Doxorubicin
- Epirubicin
- Idarubicin
- Mitoxantrone
- Valrubicin

MISCELLANEOUS ANTICANCER AGENTS

- Arsenic trioxide
- Bexarotene
- Bleomycin
- Dactinomycin
- Gemtuzumab ozogamicin conjugate
- Inotuzumab ozogamicin conjugate
- Mitomycin
- Mitotane
- Trabectedin
- Tretinoin

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Pharmacologic Classification of Chemotherapeutic Agents

I. DNA (cross) linking agents; DNA alkylating agents

II. Antimetabolites

III. DNA topoisomerase poisons & DNA intercalating agents:

III.1. Camptothecins; III.2. Epipodophyllotoxins;

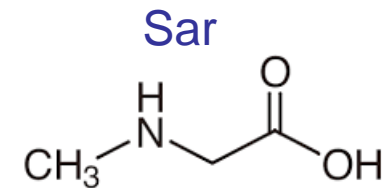
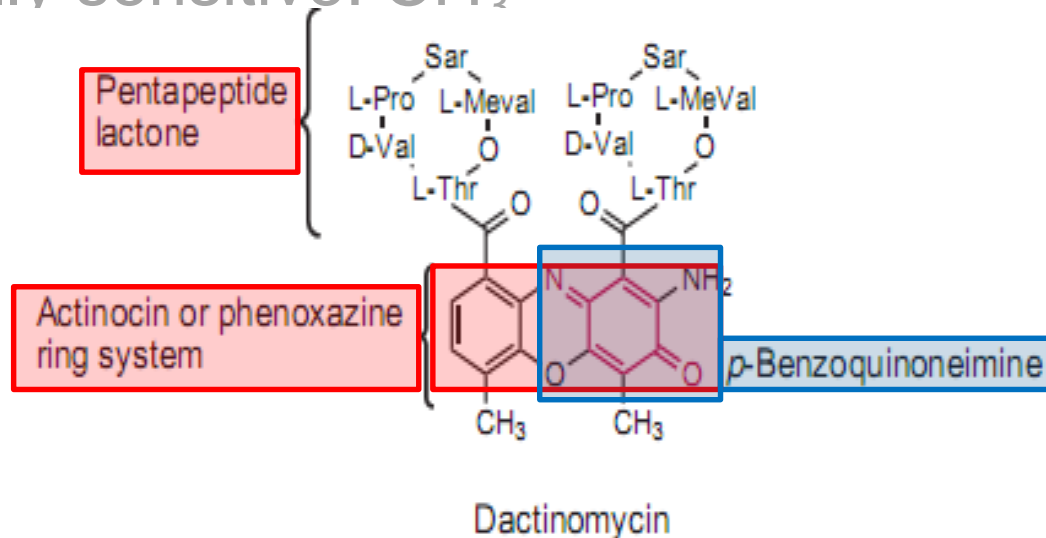
Antibiotics: III.3. Anthracyclines; III.4. Anthracenediones

IV. DNA interacting antibiotics: miscellaneous antibiotics:

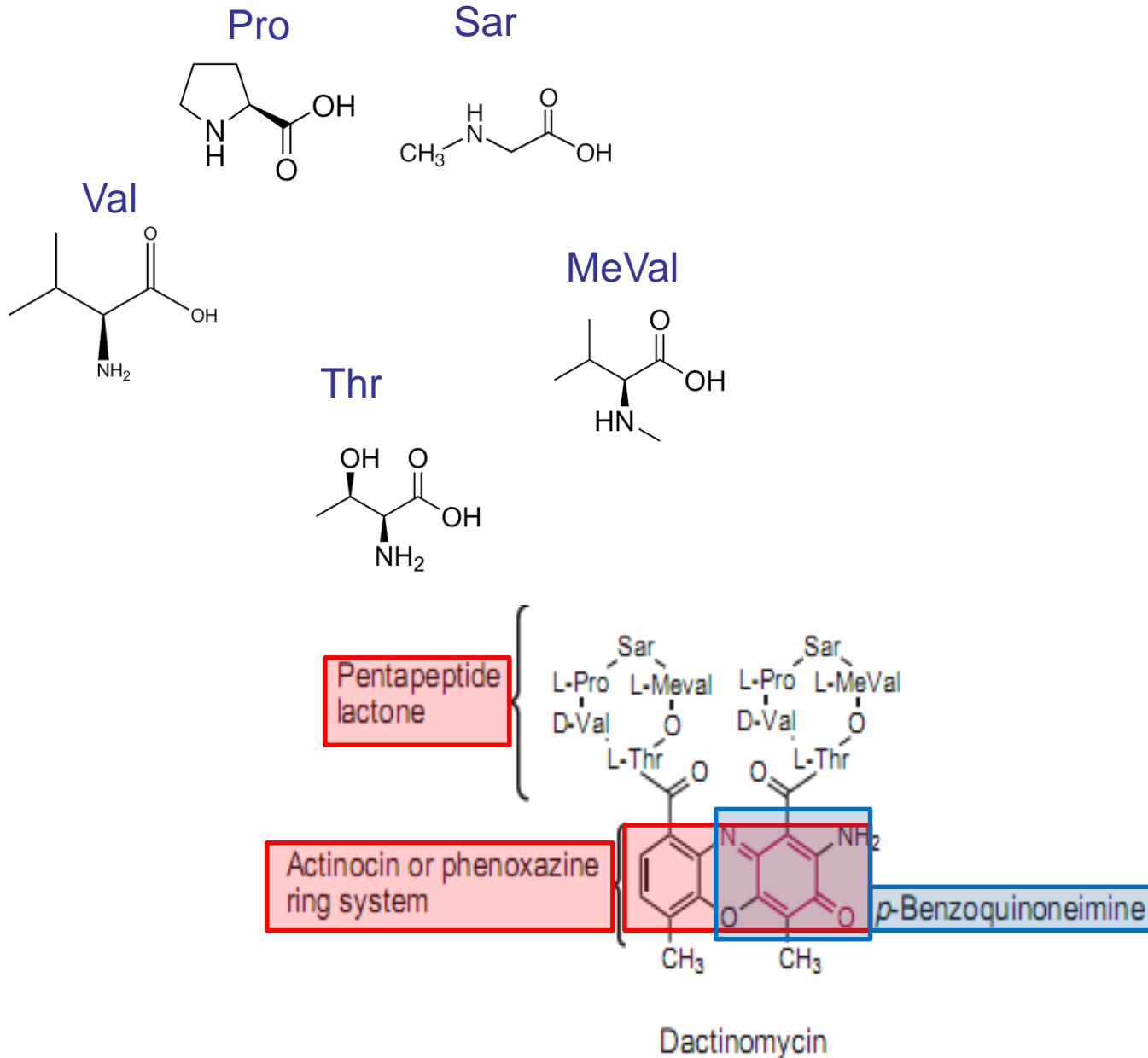
IV.1. Phenoxazine; IV.2. Glycopeptide; IV.3. Mitomycin

IV.1. Phenoxazine: Dactinomycin (Actinomycin D): Source & Chemistry: SAR

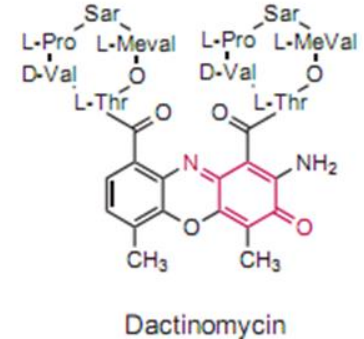
- From *Streptomyces*
- Structure:
 - ✓ actinocin (phenoxazinone): di-benzo-oxazine: flat portion:
 - ✓ possessing benzoquinoneimine
- &
- two symmetric pentapeptide lactone ring as substitutes on two phenyls
- Photosensitive
- Chemically sensitive: CH₂



IV.1. Phenoxazine: Dactinomycin (Actinomycin D): Chemistry: More



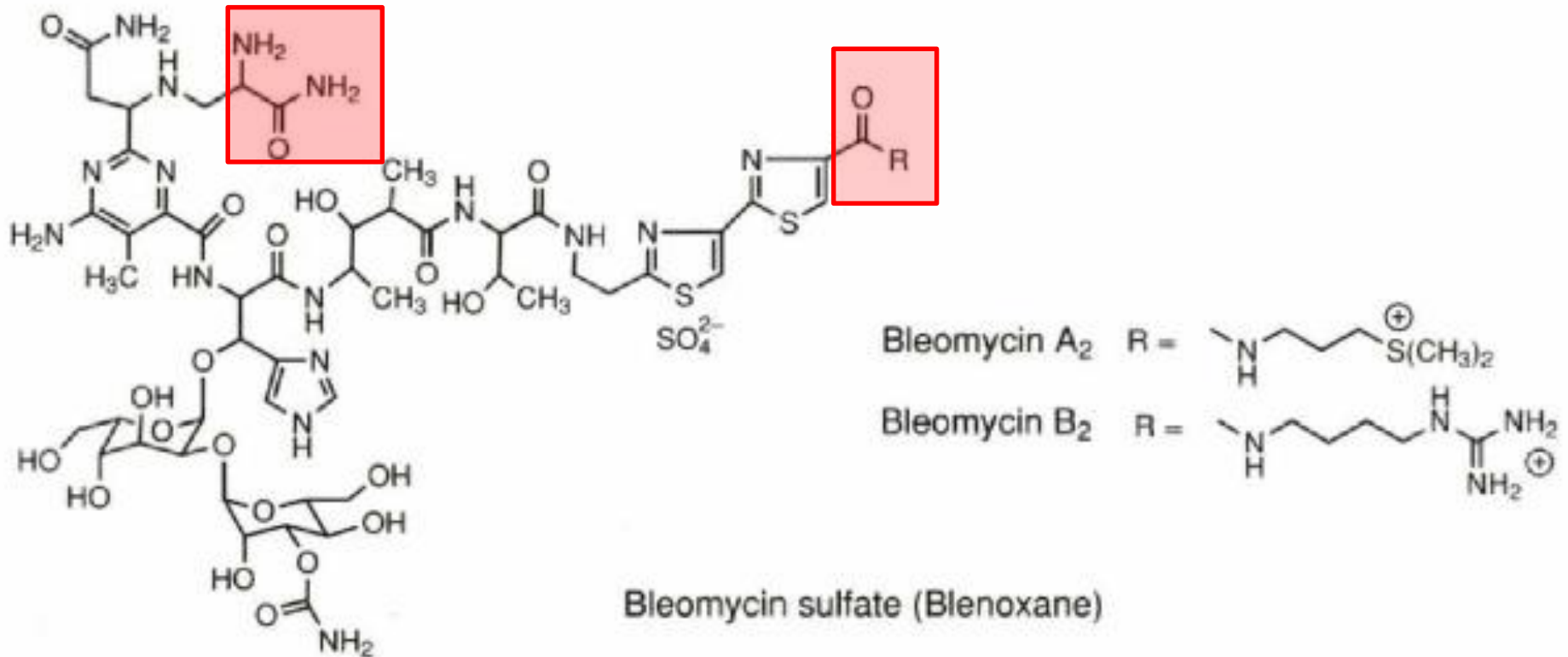
IV.1. Phenoxazine: Dactinomycin (Actinomycin D): MOA



- DNA intercalation:
 - ✓ π stacking, hydrophobic & hydrogen bonds: through lactone & DNA bases (especially G-C) positioning actinocin perpendicular to the main DNA axis
- DNA minor groove binder:
 - ✓ hydrophobic & hydrogen bond interactions through pentapeptide region (Thr) & protonated G-(C2-NH₂)
- Mostly affect on a single strand
- Pseudo-irreversible interaction to DNA
- Free radicals can be produced: next slide
- Metabolism: by NADPH reductase because of iminoquinone
- Rapid clearance: suitable dosage forms?

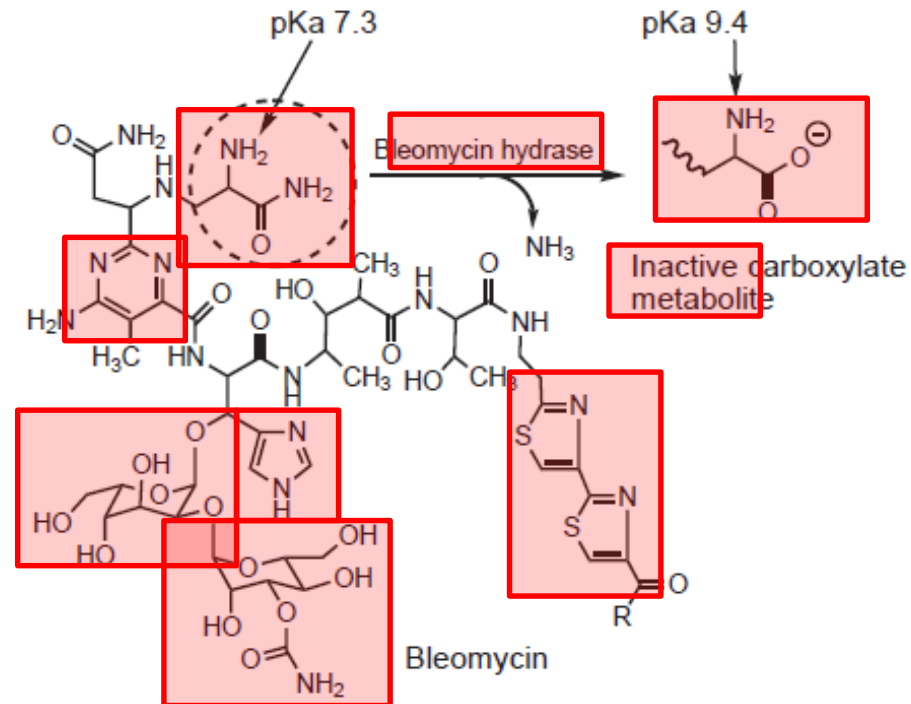
IV.2. Glycopeptide: Bleomycin

- Blenoxane[®]
- Sulfate salt



IV.2. Glycopeptide: Bleomycin: Source & Chemistry & SAR

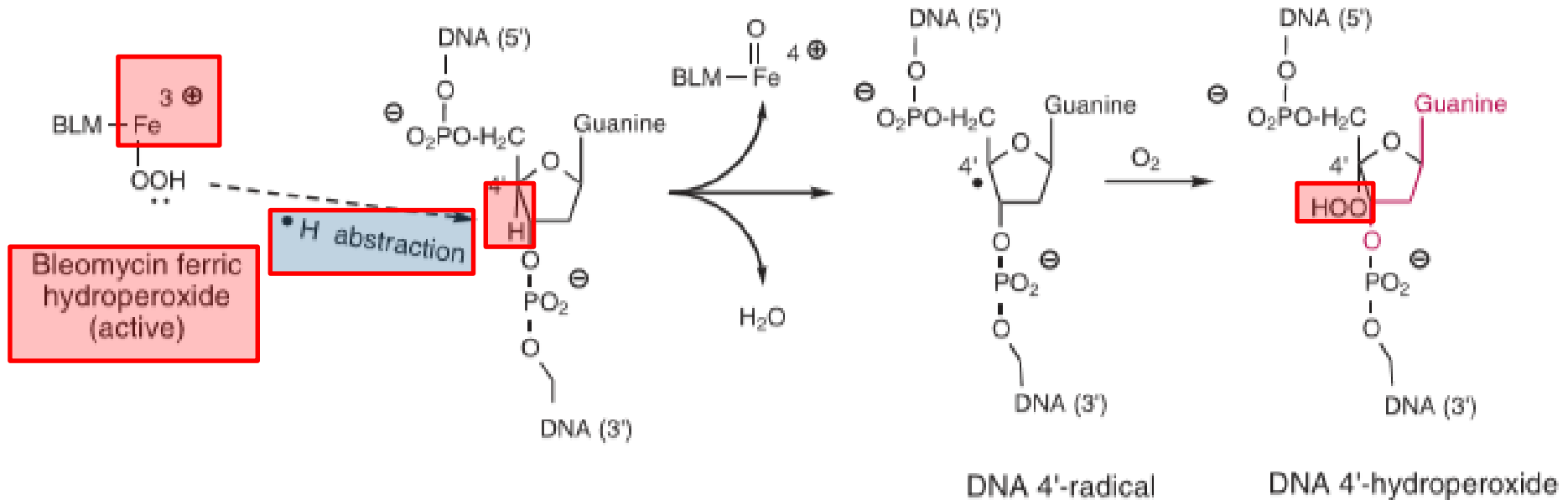
- From *Streptomyces*
- Chemistry: glycopeptide:
- Flat aromatic rings: provide DNA base pair interaction:
- ✓ bi-thiazole; pyrimidine; imidazole
- amide groups
- polyamine:
- ✓ amino-acetamide: critical
- ✓ compare related metabolite
- Di-saccharide: polyol:
- ✓ hydrophilic



SRAmimi I **FIGURE 37.29** Bleomycin hydrazinase-mediated inactivation of bleomycin.

IV.2. Glycopeptide: Bleomycin: MOA

- Capability of:
 - ✓ providing electron rich region for cation (Fe^{2+}): to form chelate
 - ✓ producing free radical: G-C: DNA destruction: formation of propenal as a 3-carbon linear structure (next slide)
- Sensitivity/stability: due to **hydrase** activity in target tissue/organ
- Active metabolite: Bleomycin ferric hydroperoxide



IV.2. Glycopeptide: Bleomycin: Bleomycin Induced DNA Cleavage

- Electron rich region(form chelate)& free radical: formation of propenal

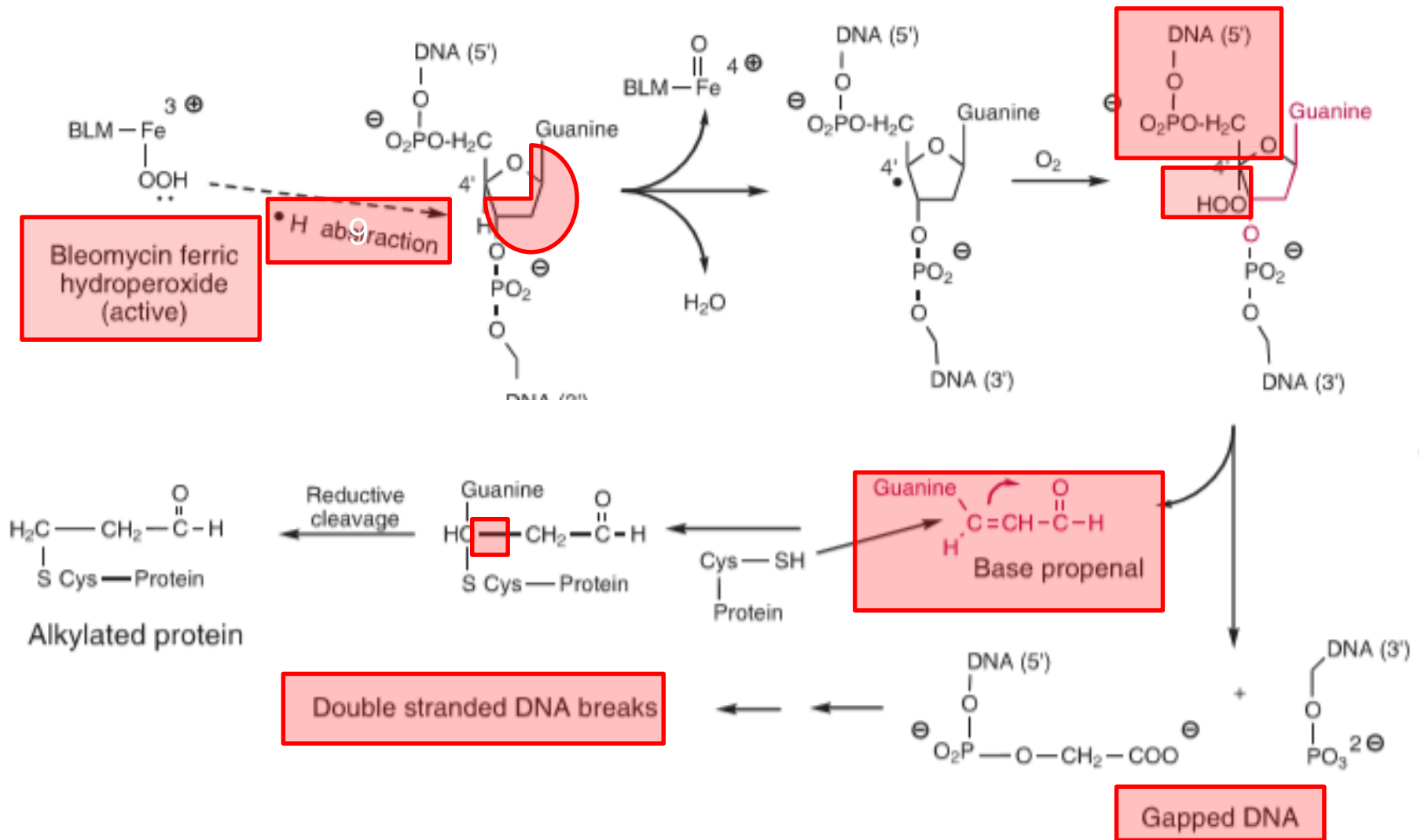
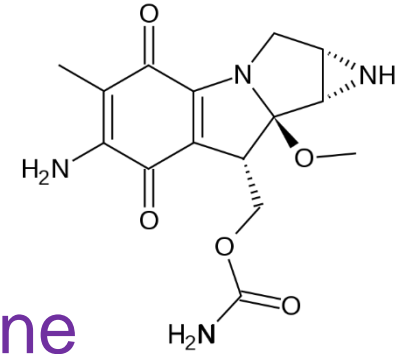
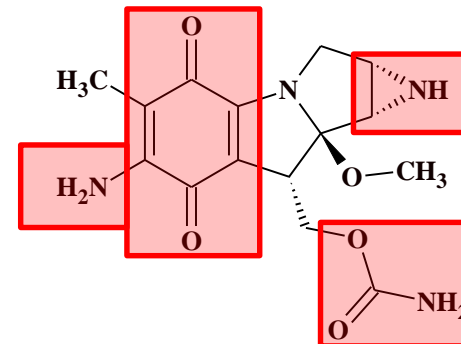


Figure 33.72 Mechanism of bleomycin-induced damage of DNA and proteins.

IV.3. Mitomycin C: Source, MOA & SAR



- M(u or i)tamycin: from *Streptomyces*
- MOA: DNA interaction & alkylation:
- ✓ bio-reductive alkylation: quinone-hydroquinone
- cytotoxic hydroxy radicals: fenton reaction
- ✓ mono / dialkylation of DNA; cross linking
- ✓ GC rich regions of DNA: G-(C2-NH₂); Cytosine (C4-NH₂)
- SAR: several functional groups:
- ✓ amino quinone ring: can be reduced to hydroquinone
- ✓ aziridine ring
- ✓ carbamoyl methylene
- Dosage form: IV inj.



Mitomycin: MOA & Metabolism

- Follow pharmacophores.

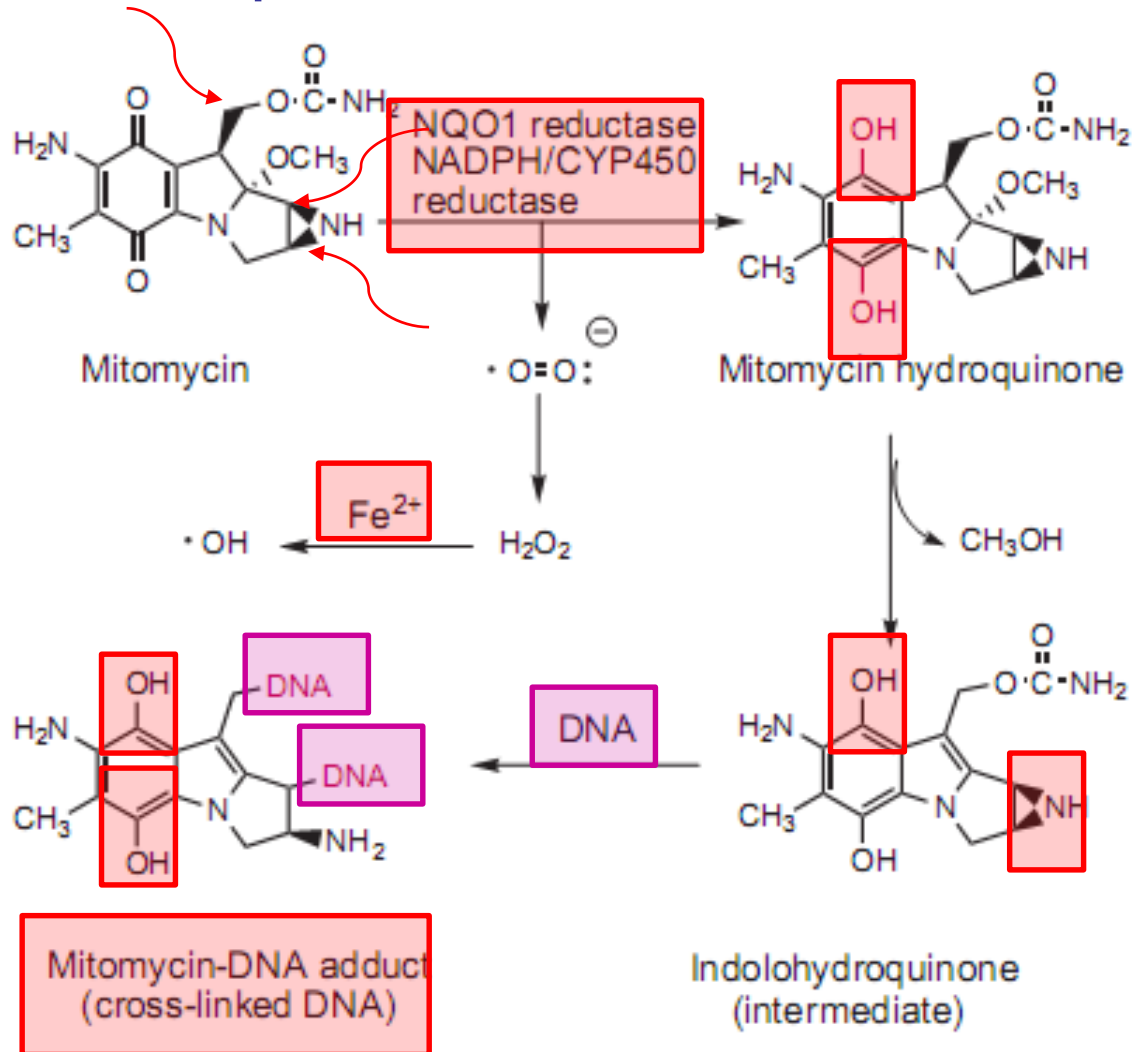


FIGURE 37.27 Mitomycin metabolism.