



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

Pharmacologic classification of Chemotherapeutic Agents- Contd.

V. Mitosis inhibitors: natural alkaloids

VI. Tyrosine Kinase and related inhibitors

VII. Histone deacetylase inhibitors

VIII. Immunomodulators

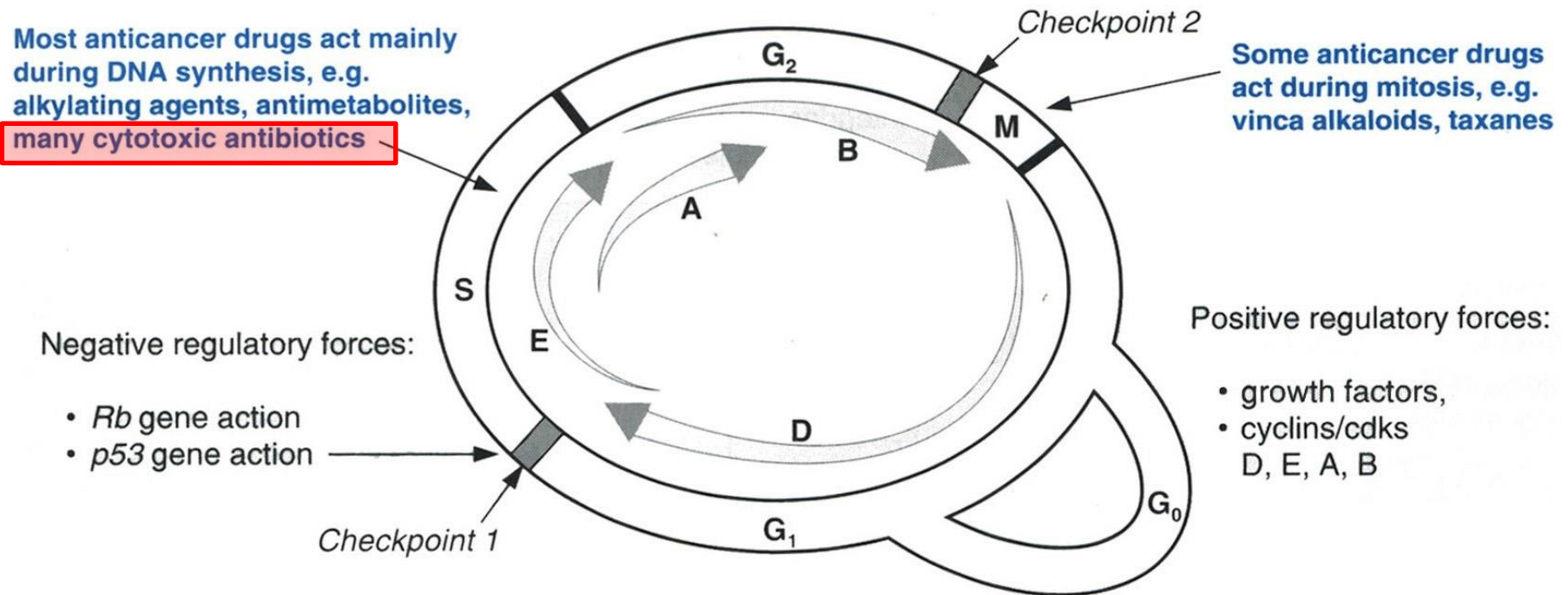
IX. Miscellaneous: hormonal, and specific agents

III. DNA Topoisomerase Poisons & DNA Intercalating Agents

- Natural compounds:
 - ✓ III.1. Camptothecins: alkaloid
 - ✓ III.2. Epipodophyllotoxins

- Antibiotics:
 - ✓ III.3. Anthracyclines
 - ✓ III.4. Anthracenediones

Established Possible Targets for Anticancer Agents in Cell Cycle



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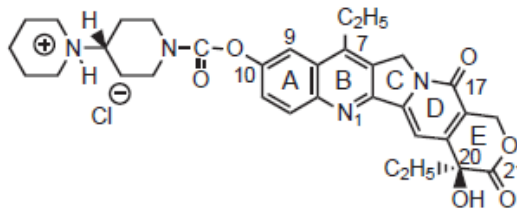
A Brief Review to Topoisomerase

- Topoisomerase II α (TopoII):
 - ✓ cleaves double stranded DNA during replication phase via a **transesterification** reaction
 - ✓ involving a topoisomerase tyrosine residue & a terminal 5'-phosphate
 - ✓ but through a reverse transesterification
 - ✓ repairs its own damage after replication is complete.
- Topoisomerase I (TopoI):
 - ✓ functions in essentially the same way as TopoII , but cuts & religates a single DNA strand.
- Topoisomerase Poison:
 - ✓ stimulate DNA cleavage reaction
 - ✓ but **inhibit** the DNA resealing activity of the enzymes
 - ✓ leaving the DNA **irreversibly damaged** & unable to replicate.

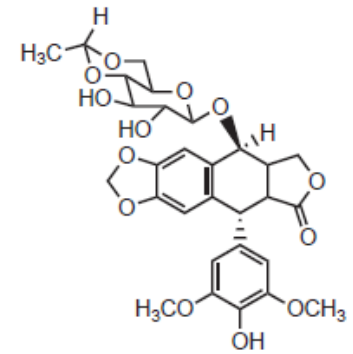
Chemical Classification for

III. Topoisomerase Poisons & DNA Intercalating Agents & DNA Interacting Antibiotics

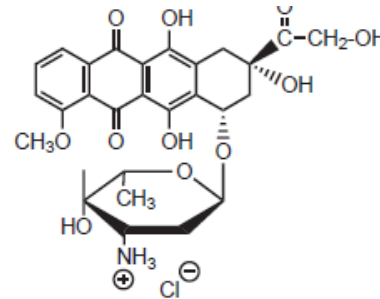
Camptothecins



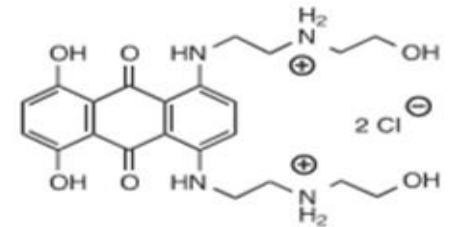
Epipodophyllotoxins



III.2. Epipodophyllotoxins



Doxorubicin hydrochloride
(Adriamycin)



Mitoxantrone hydrochloride
(Novantrone)

III.4. Anthracenediones

III.1. Camptothecins

III.3. Antibiotics: anthracyclines

Chemical Classification for

Topoisomerase Poisons & DNA Intercalating Agents

- Natural compounds:

III.1. Camptothecines:

Topotecan; Irinotecan

III.2. Epipodophyllotoxins:

Etoposide; Teniposide

- Antibiotics:

III.3. Anthracyclines:

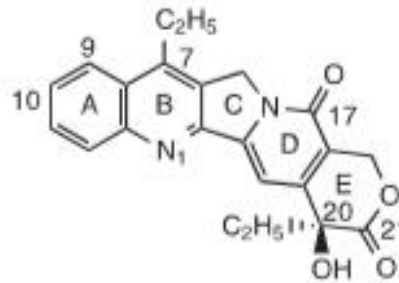
doxorubicin (adriamycin); daunorubicin
epirubicin; idarubicin; valrubicin

III.4. Anthracendiones: mitoxantrone

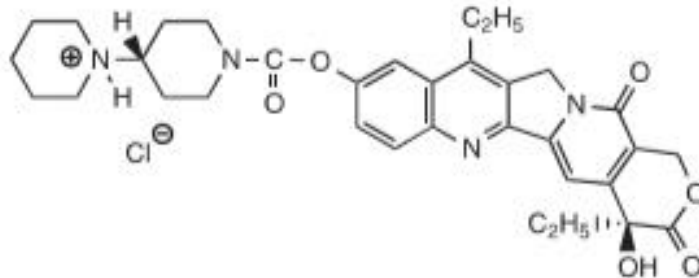
III. Topoisomerase Poisons:

III.1. Camptothecins

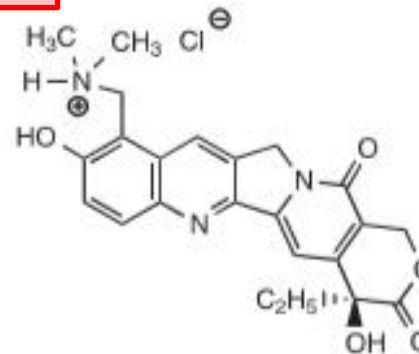
- Camptothecins: **Irinotecan**
Topotecan



Camptothecin
(water-insoluble natural product)



Irinotecan hydrochloride
(Camptosar, Oinvyde)

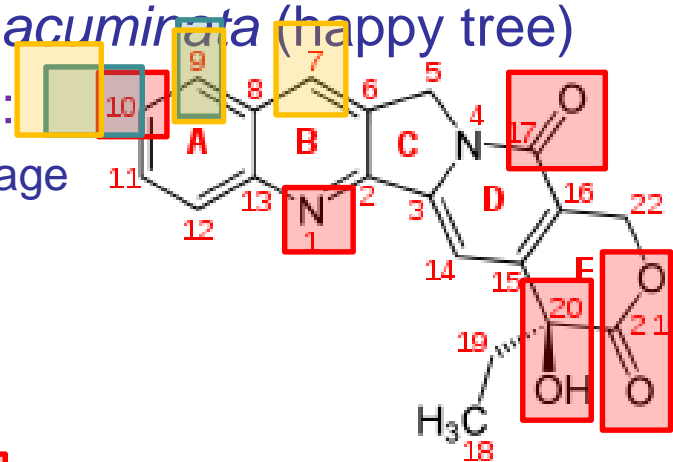


Topotecan hydrochloride
(Hycamtin)

Figure 33.25 Camptothecin topoisomerase I (TopI) poisons.

III.1. Camptothecins: Chemistry & SAR

- Natural alkaloid from the bark of *Camptotheca acuminata* (happy tree)
- C9 or C10-amine containing pentacyclic lactones:
 - ✓ the flat cyclic system intercalates DNA at the site of cleavage
 - ✓ mimic **DNA base pair**
 - ✓ chiral, extensively conjugated structure
 - ✓ interacting points:
 - N1, O at C10, C17(CO), C20(OH), C21(CO)-O
 - basic side chain at C9 or C10
 - ✓ at physiologic pH (7.4): lactone in equilibrium with hydroxy acid
 - ✓ limited water solubility:
 - ✓ sodium salt of hydrolyzed lactone: allow the formation of water soluble salts



III.1. Semisynthetic Camptothecins

- Irinotecan (camptosar[®]): CPT-11

✓ basic side chain at C10

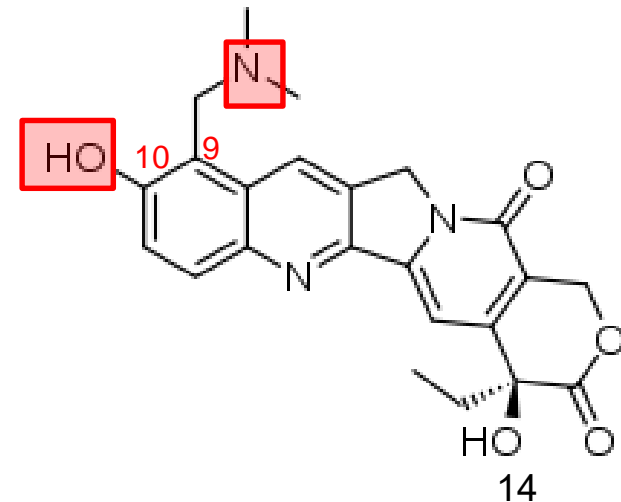
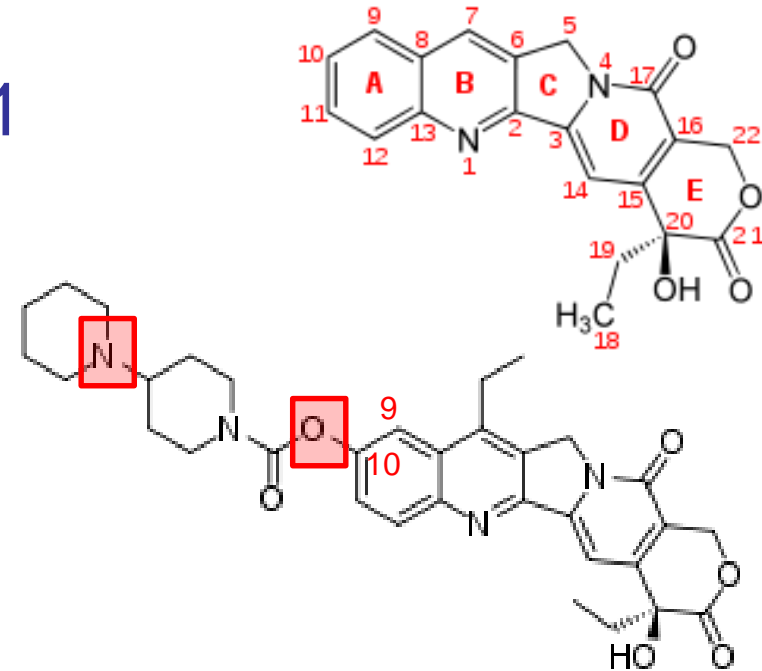
✓ Active metabolite: ?

- Topotecan[®]:

✓ basic side chain at C9

- CYP3A4 related metabolism

- Nano-liposomal formulation



Metabolism of Irinotecan

- C21-hydrolysis

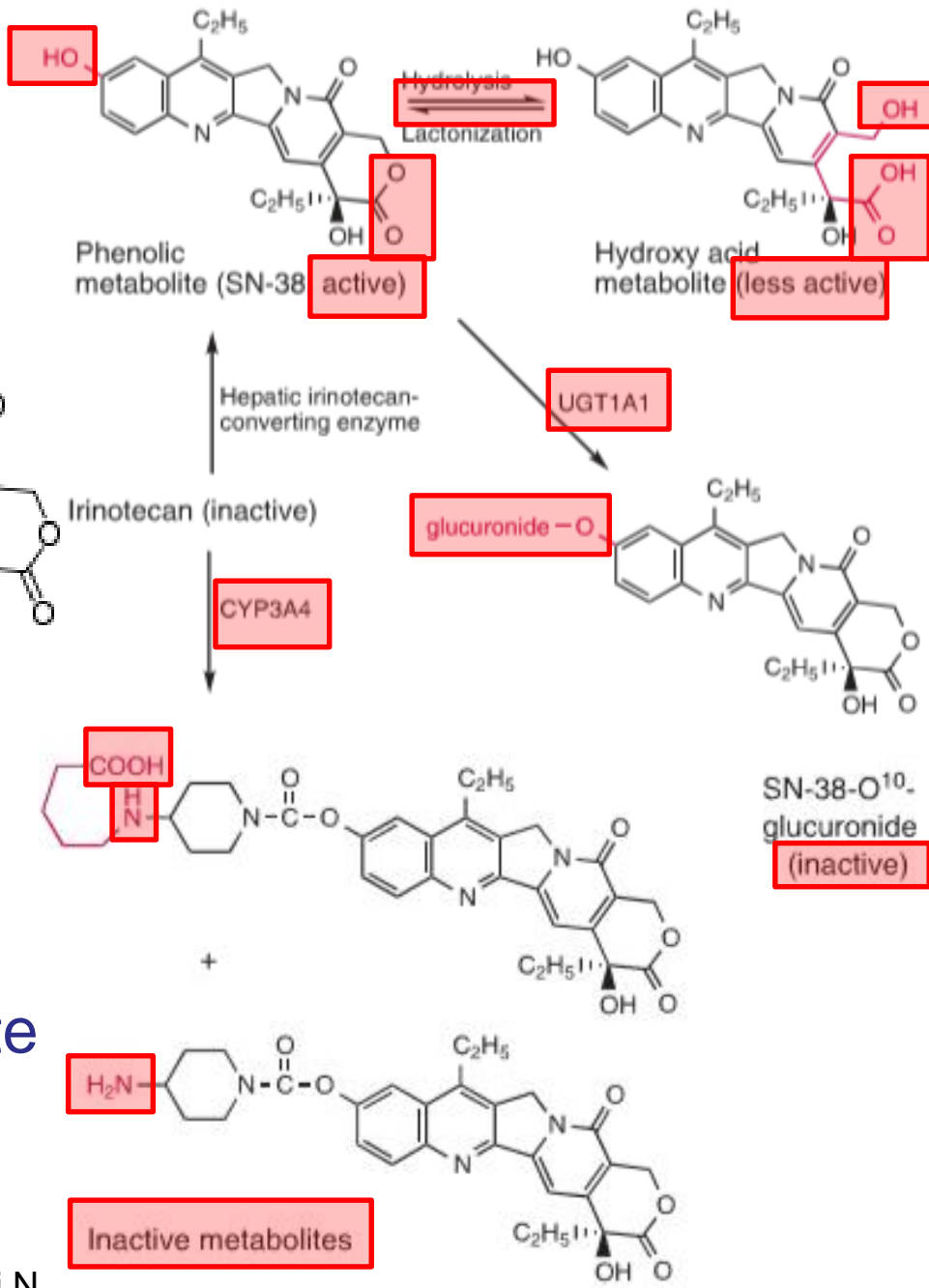
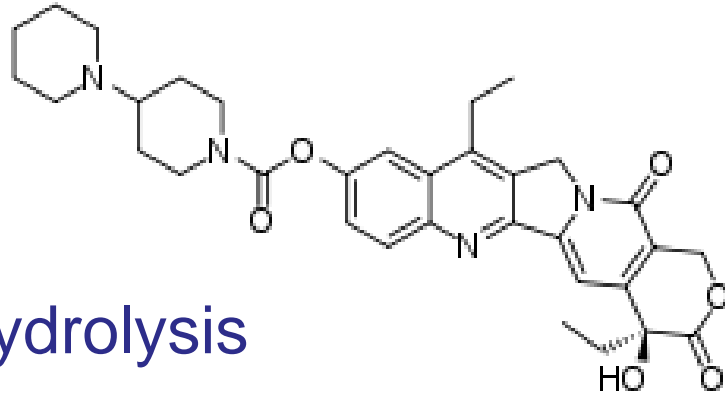
- C10:

- ✓ oxidation

- ✓ O-dealkylation:

phenolic SN38: active metabolite

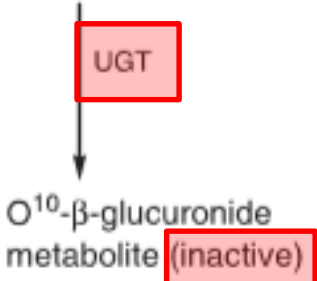
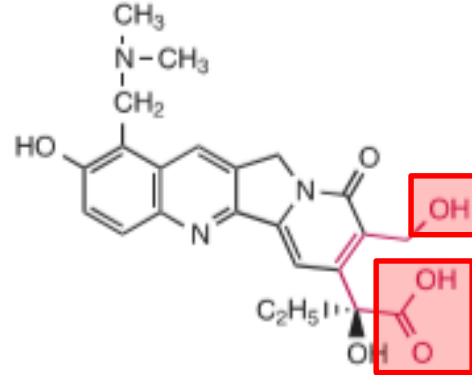
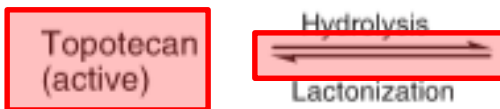
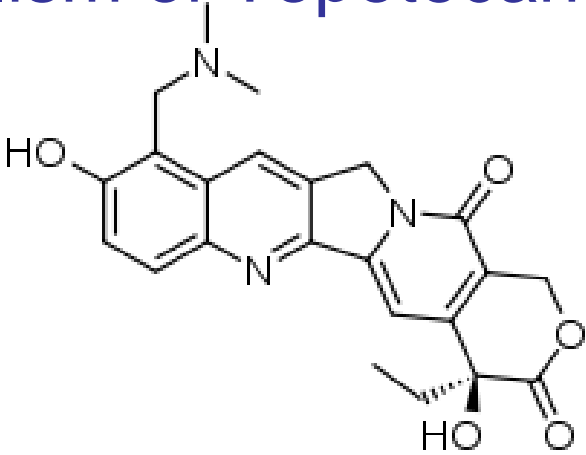
- ✓ conjugation



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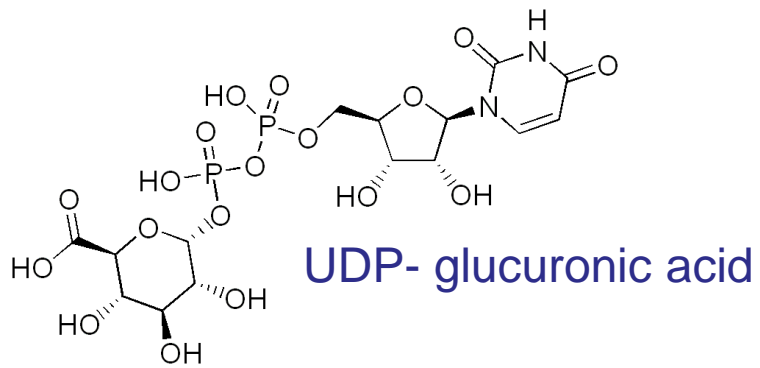
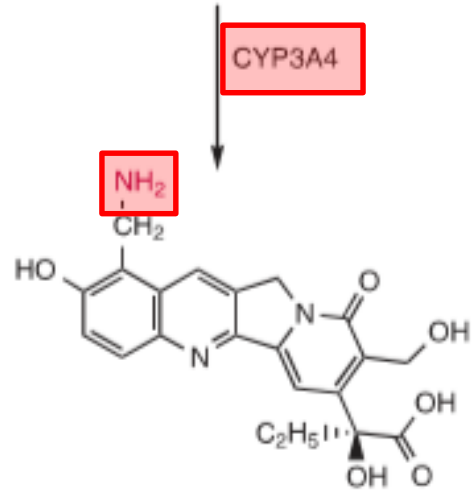
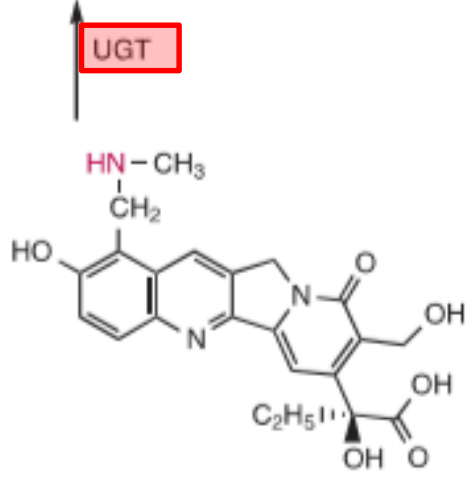
Figure 33.26 Irinotecan metabolism.

Metabolism of Topotecan



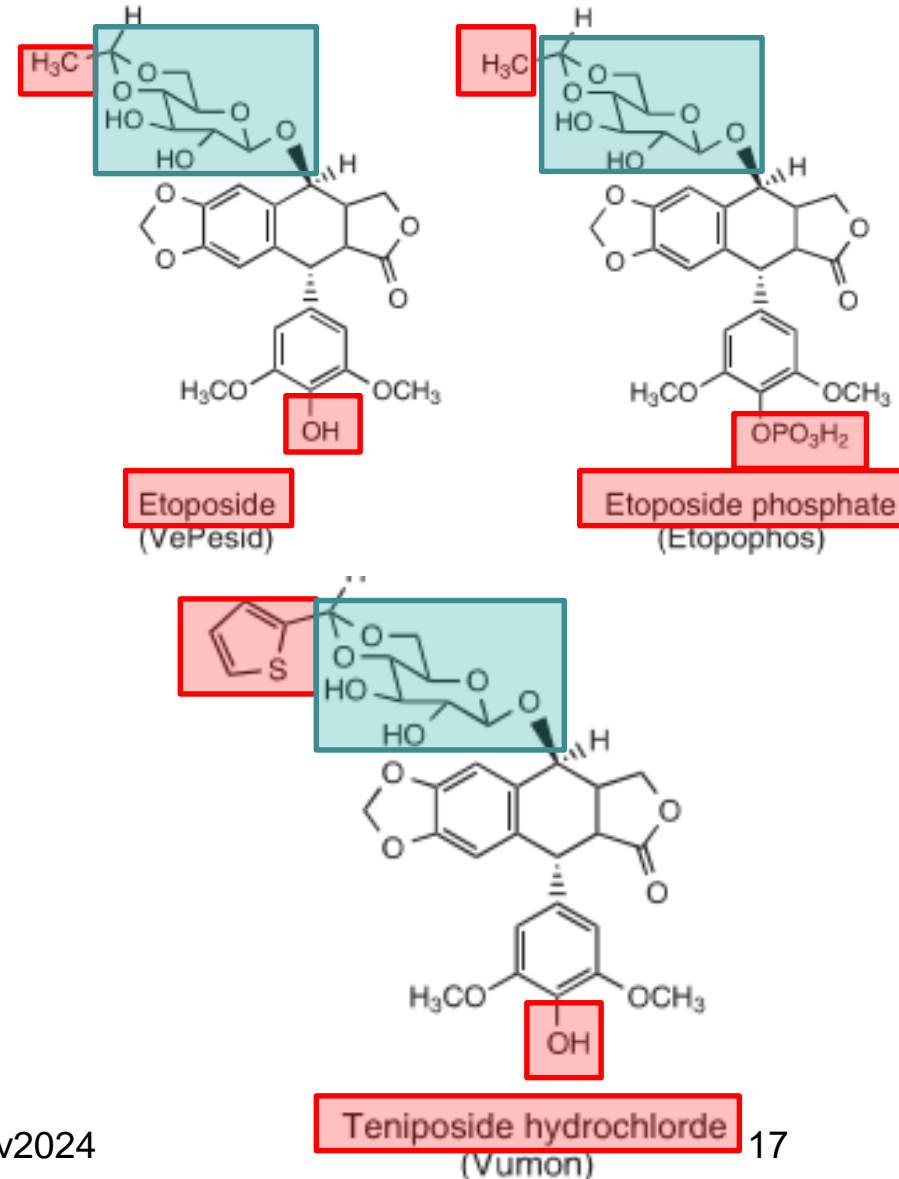
Dihydroxy acid metabolite (less active)

- C21-hydrolysis
- C9-N-dealkylation
- C10: conjugation



III. Topoisomerase Poisons: 2- Epipodophyllotoxins

- Epipodophyllotoxin: Etoposide
Teniposide

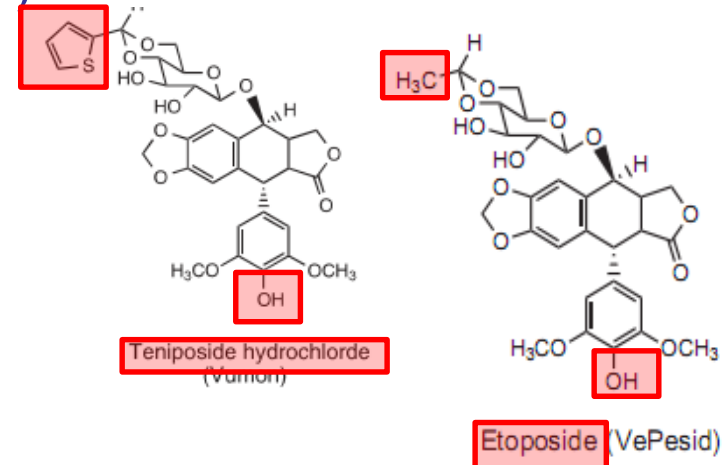


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Figure 33.28 Epipodophyllotoxin topoisomerase II α (TopII α) poisons.

III.2. Epipodophyllotoxins: Chemistry & SAR

- Chemistry: isolated from root of mayapple
- ✓ semisynthetic glycosidic derivative of podophyllotoxin:
- ✓ tetracyclic structure: dioxolane fused to hydro-naphthalene ended to butyrolactone
- ✓ substitutes at hydro-naphthalene portion:
 β -D-glucopyranosyl: fused to dioxane: difference in substituent: methyl or thienyl
Phenolic portion: critical pharmacophore
- ✓ solubility enhancers: polysorbate 80 (Tween)
or polyoxymethylated castor oil (cremophore)



Proposed Interaction Sites of Etoposide to Topoll

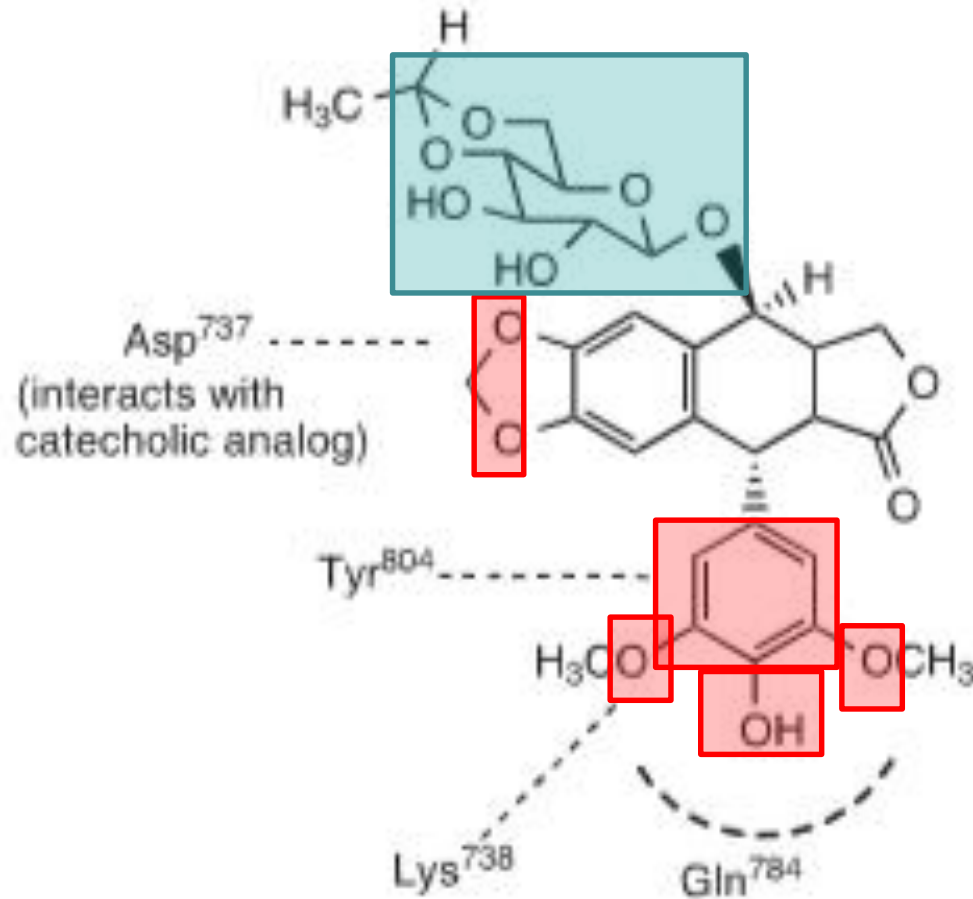
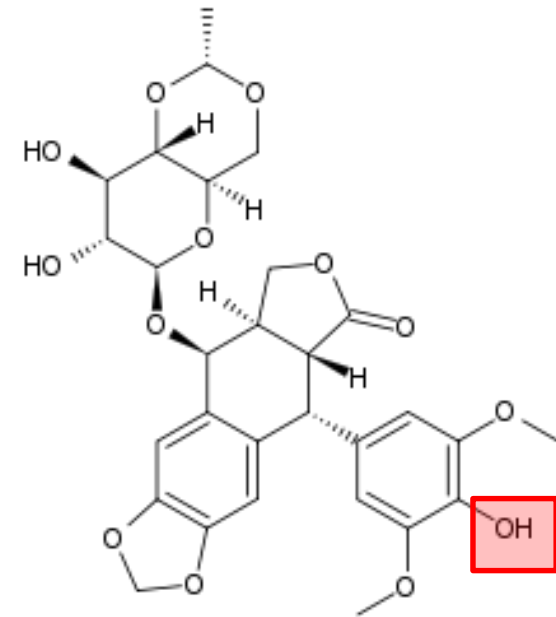
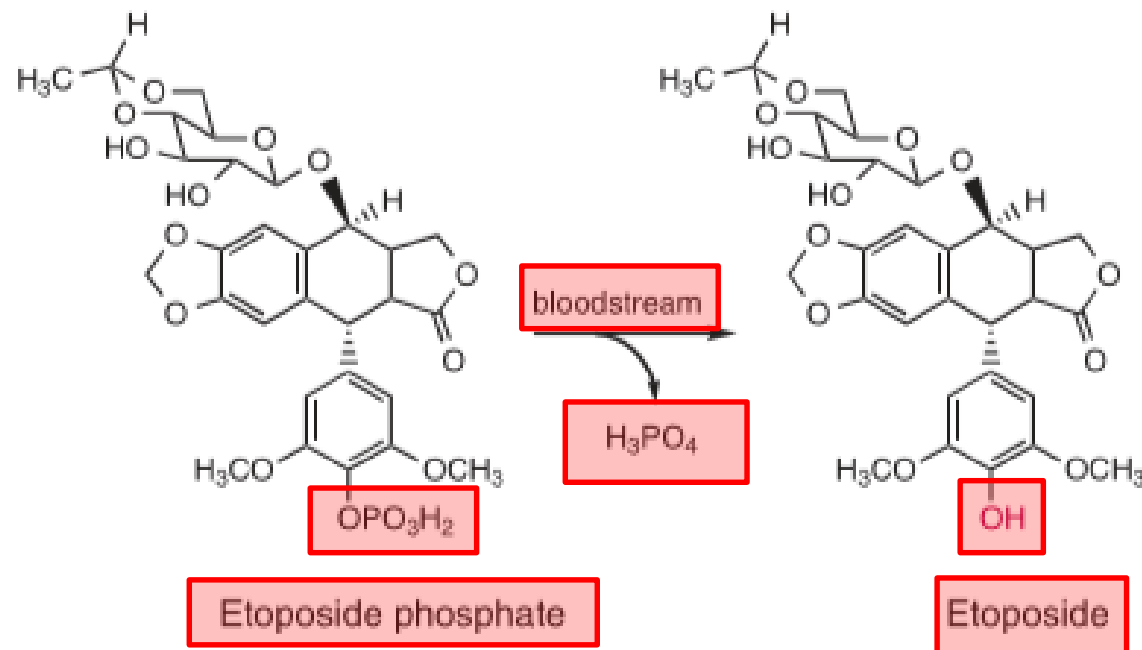


Figure 33.29 Proposed etoposide-TopII α binding interactions.

III.2. Epipodophyllotoxin: Etoposide

- VP-16[®]:
- Semisynthetic: water **insoluble**
- Etoposide **phosphate**:
- ✓ prodrug of etoposide: **water soluble**



Metabolism of Epipodophyllotoxin

- Lactone hydrolysis:
 - ✓ hydroxy acid metabolite
- Phenolic OH: conjugation:
 - ✓ Sulfonation
- O-de-alkylation: ortho-quinone

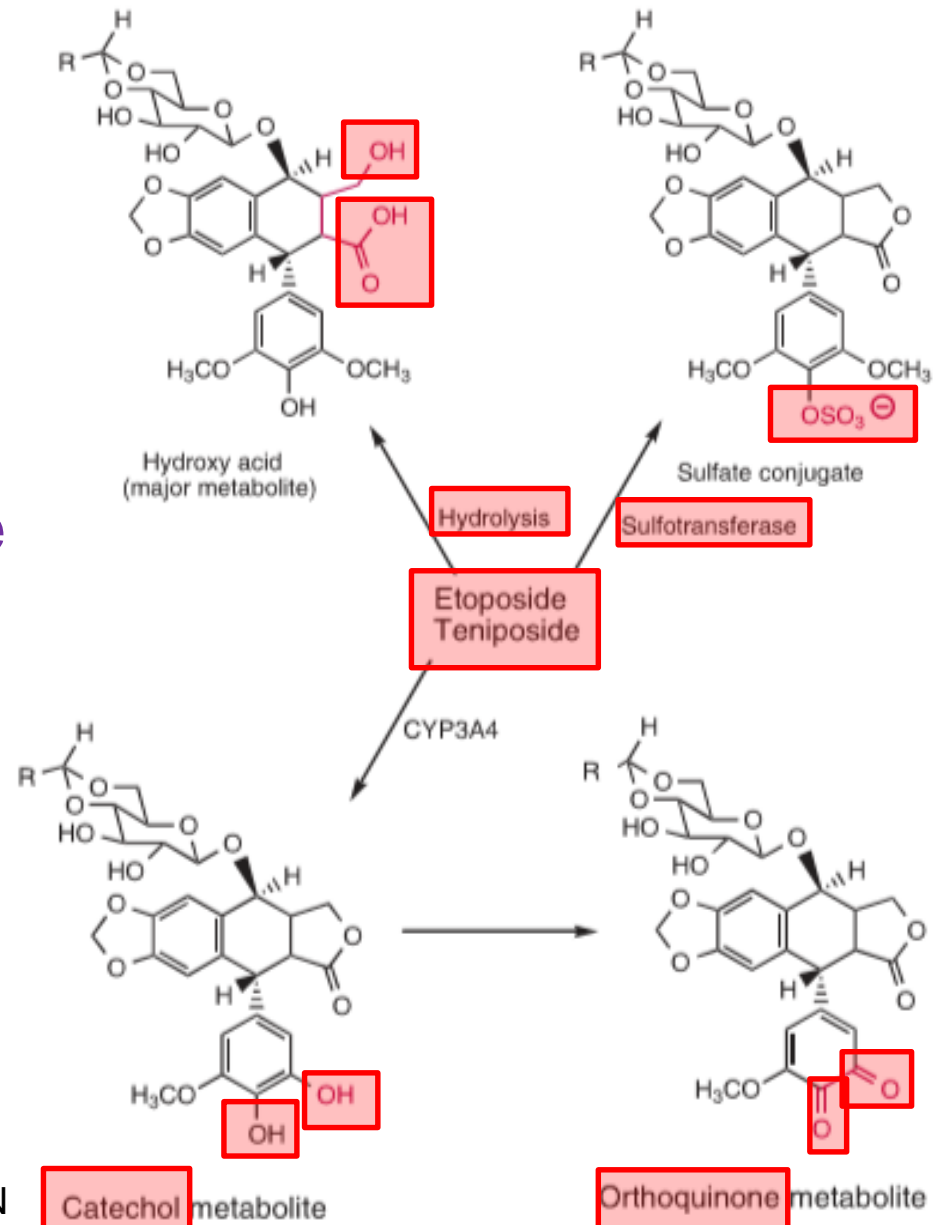
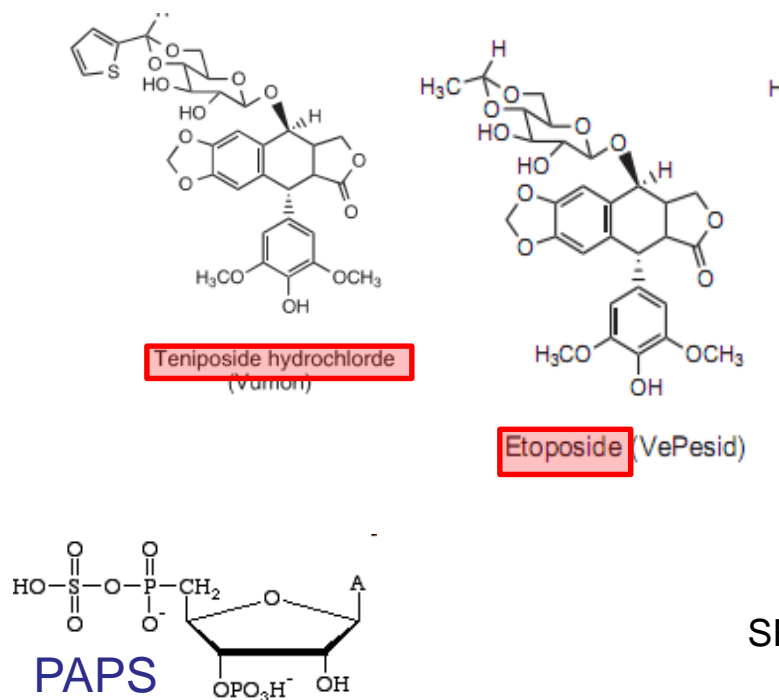
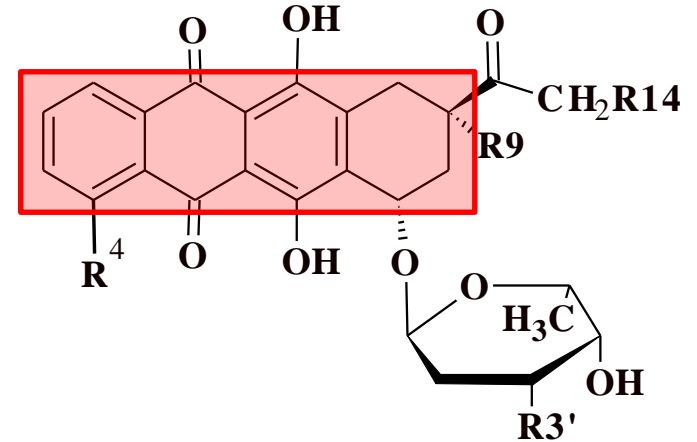


Figure 33.30 Epipodophyllotoxin metabolism.

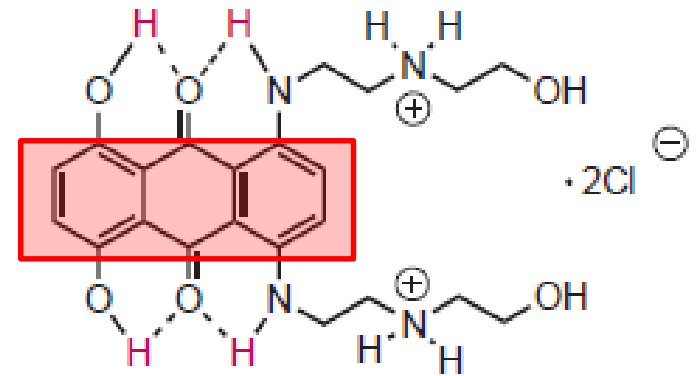
III. DNA Topoisomerase Poisons & DNA Intercalating Agents:

III. 3. Anthracyclines; III. 4. Anthracenediones

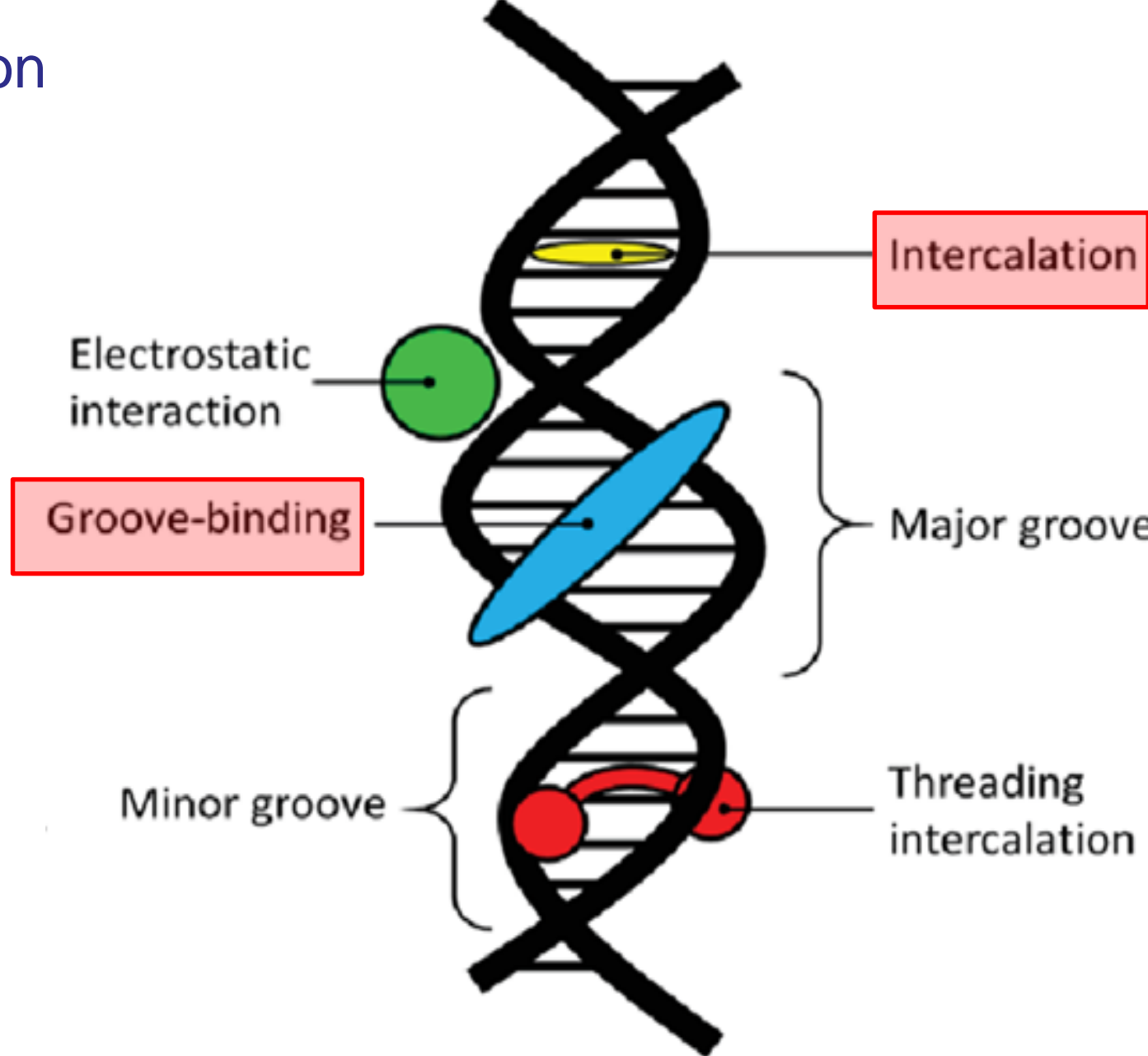
III. 3. Anthracyclines:



III. 4. Anthracenediones:

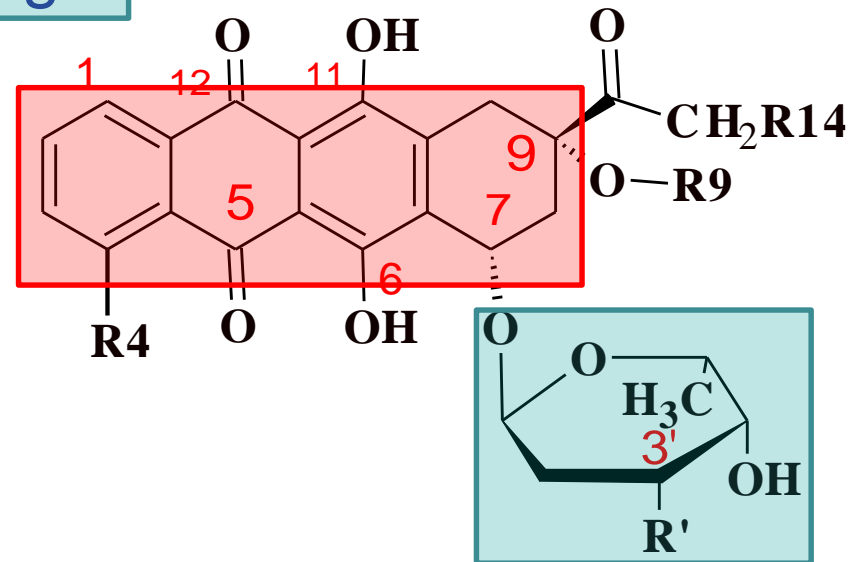


DNA Intercalation & DNA Groove Binding in Schematic



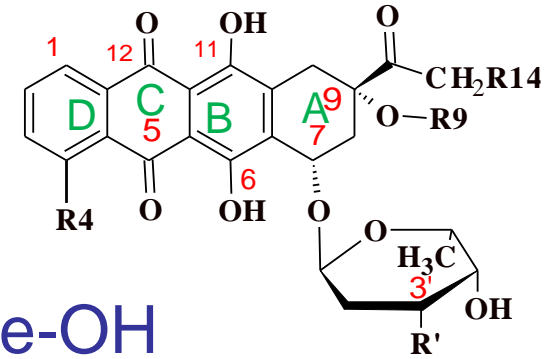
III. 3. Anthracyclines: Source & Structure

- From Streptomyces: semi-synthetic derivatives
- Chemistry:
 - ✓ aglycon region: tetracyclic quinone: anthraquinone
 - ✓ glycon region: C7: glycosidic bond: daunosamine: amino(3'-NHR)-sugar



III. 3. Anthracyclines: SAR

- **Aglycon region:** anthraquinone: anthracycline-one: tetracyclic region:
 - ✓ three aromatic rings fused to one non-aromatic ring: A to D
 - ✓ coplanar geometry
 - ✓ make reddish urine
 - ✓ R4-H or OCH₃
 - ✓ C5,C12-quinone(O); C6,C11-hydroquinone-OH
 - ✓ C9- α -OR9: C9- α -OH
 - ✓ C9- β -COCH₂R14: R14-H or R14-OH or R14-O-CO-R
- **Glycon region:** pyran (sugar structure): 3'-NH₂ or 3'-NHCOCF₃
 - ✓ proper positioning & stabilization of drug at its binding site
 - DNA interaction sites: ...: next slide
 - DNA topoisomerase interaction sites: ...: next slide



III. 3. Anthracyclines: Proposed Interaction Points

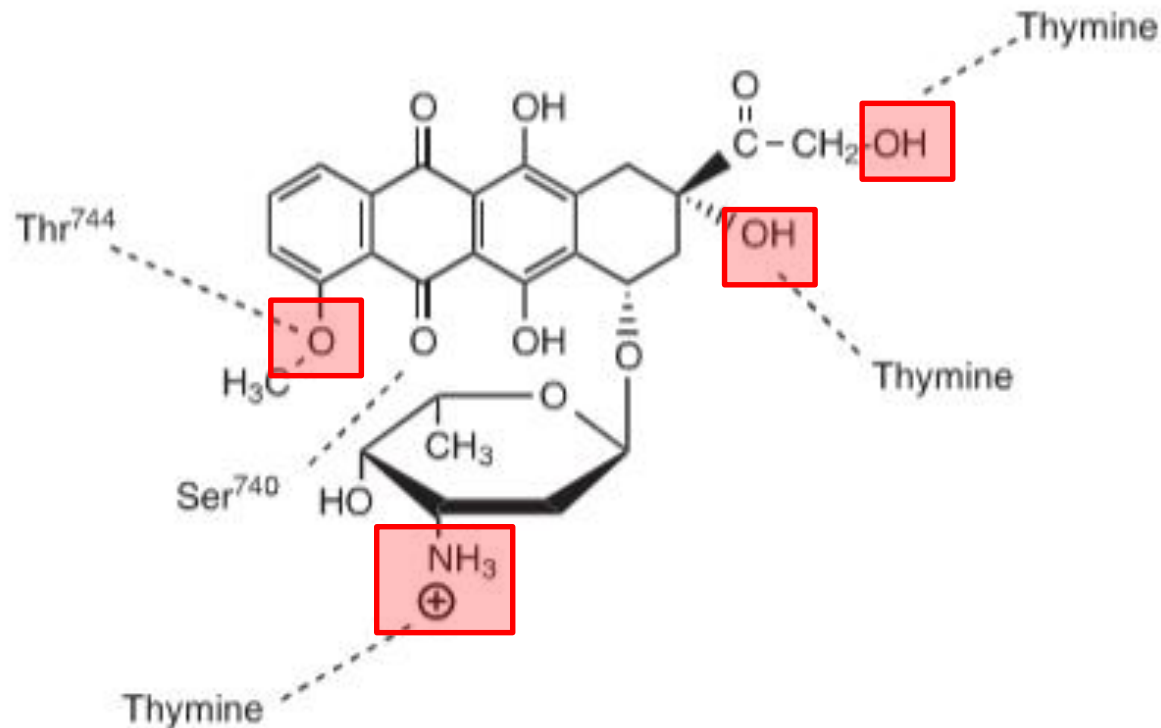


Figure 33.31 Proposed interaction between doxorubicin, DNA, and topoisomerase II α .

III. DNA Topoisomerase Poisons & DNA Intercalating Agents:

III. 3. Anthracyclines: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Generations

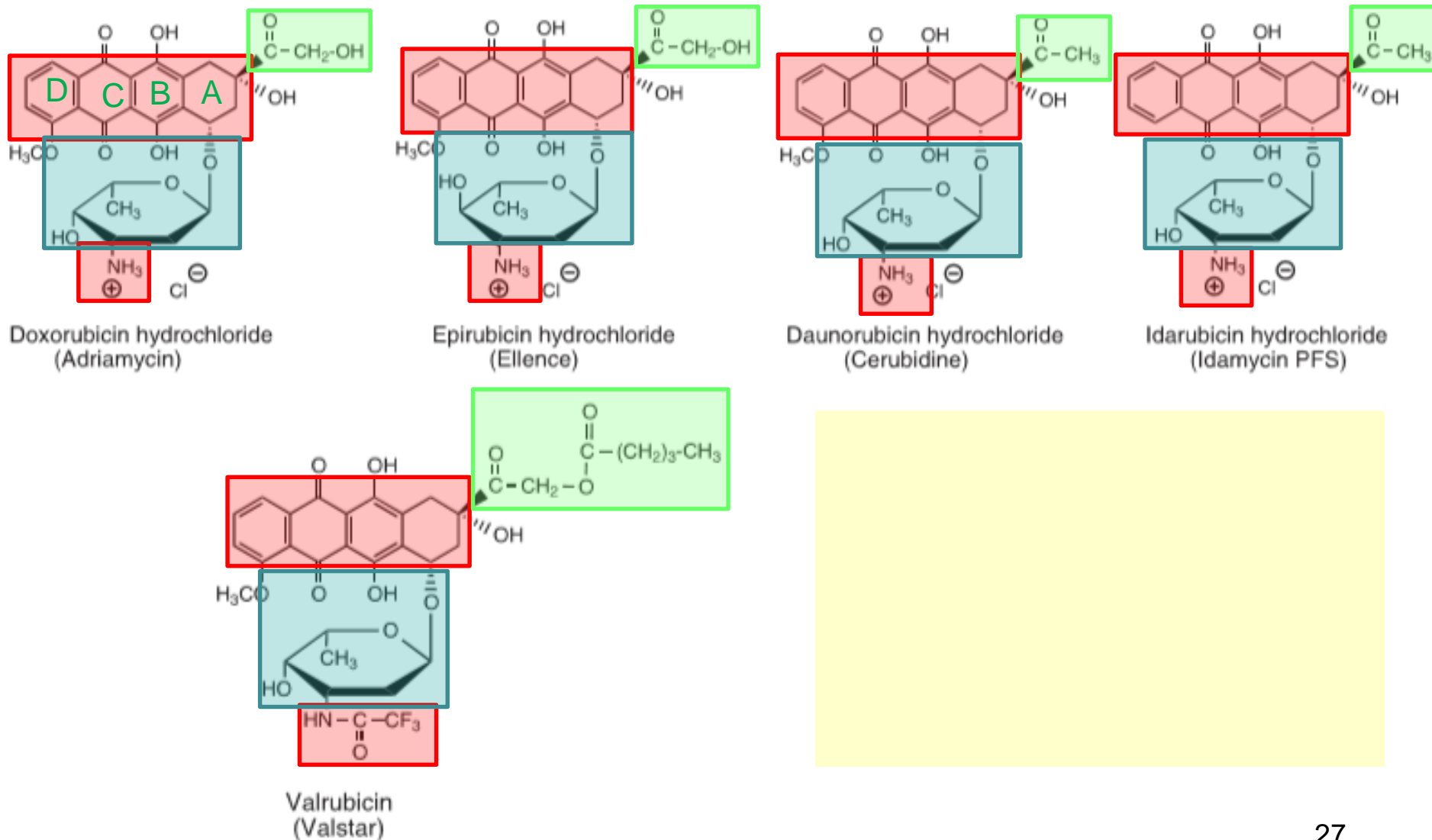


Figure 33.34 Anthracycline and related anticancer agents.

Anthracyclines: Free Radical Formation

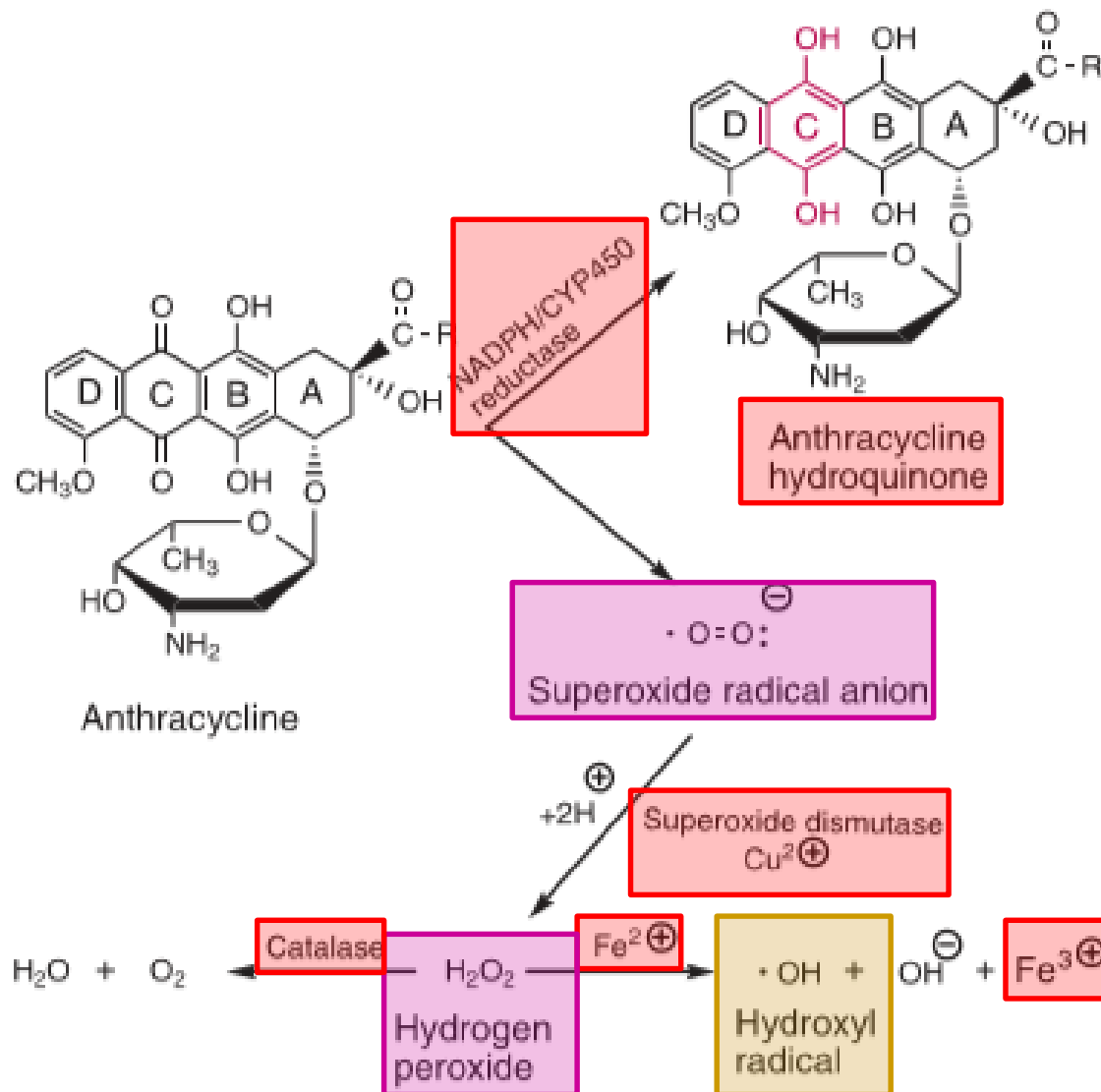


Figure 33.32 Anthracycline-mediated free radical formation.

Free Radical Formation & Ferrous Chelation in Anthracyclines

- Superoxide radical anion: $\cdot\text{:O=O}\cdot^-$
- Hydroxyl radical: $\cdot\text{OH}$
- ✓ ferrous affects in $[\cdot\text{OH}]$
- ✓ fenton reaction

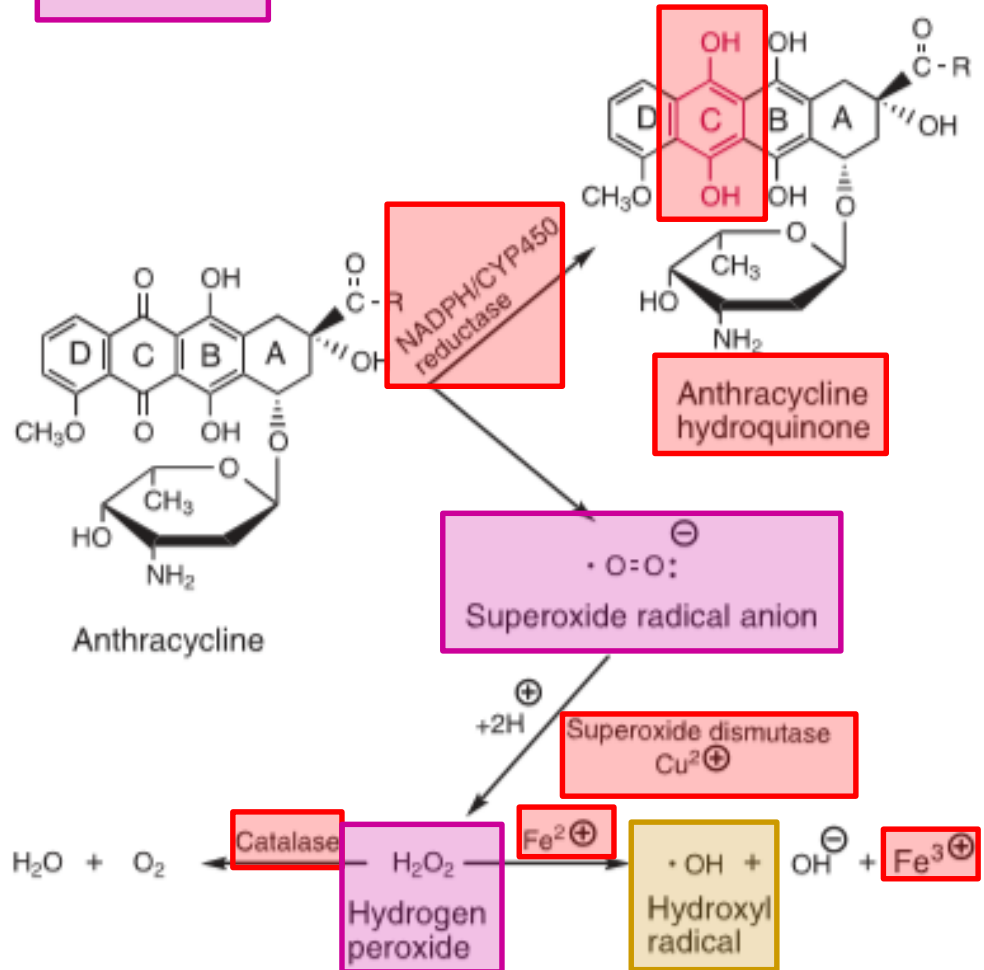
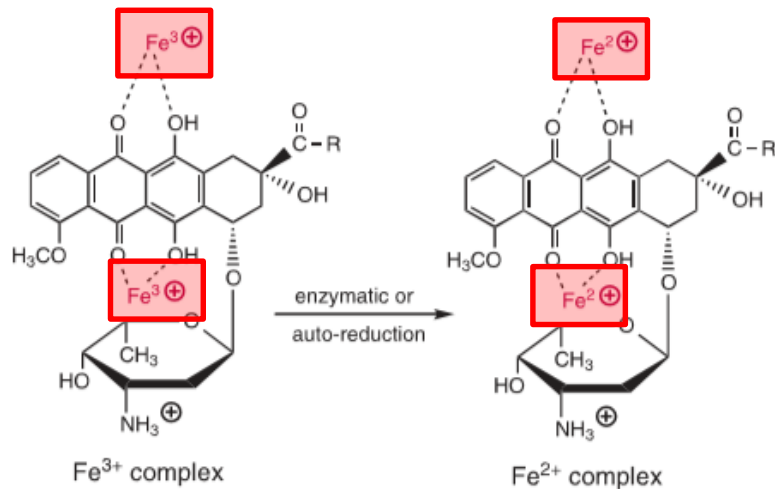


Figure 33.32 Anthracycline-mediated free radical formation.

Anthracyclines: Metabolism

- Rubicinols by:

- ✓ Aldo Keto Reductase (AKR)

- ✓ CarBonyl Reductase (CBR)

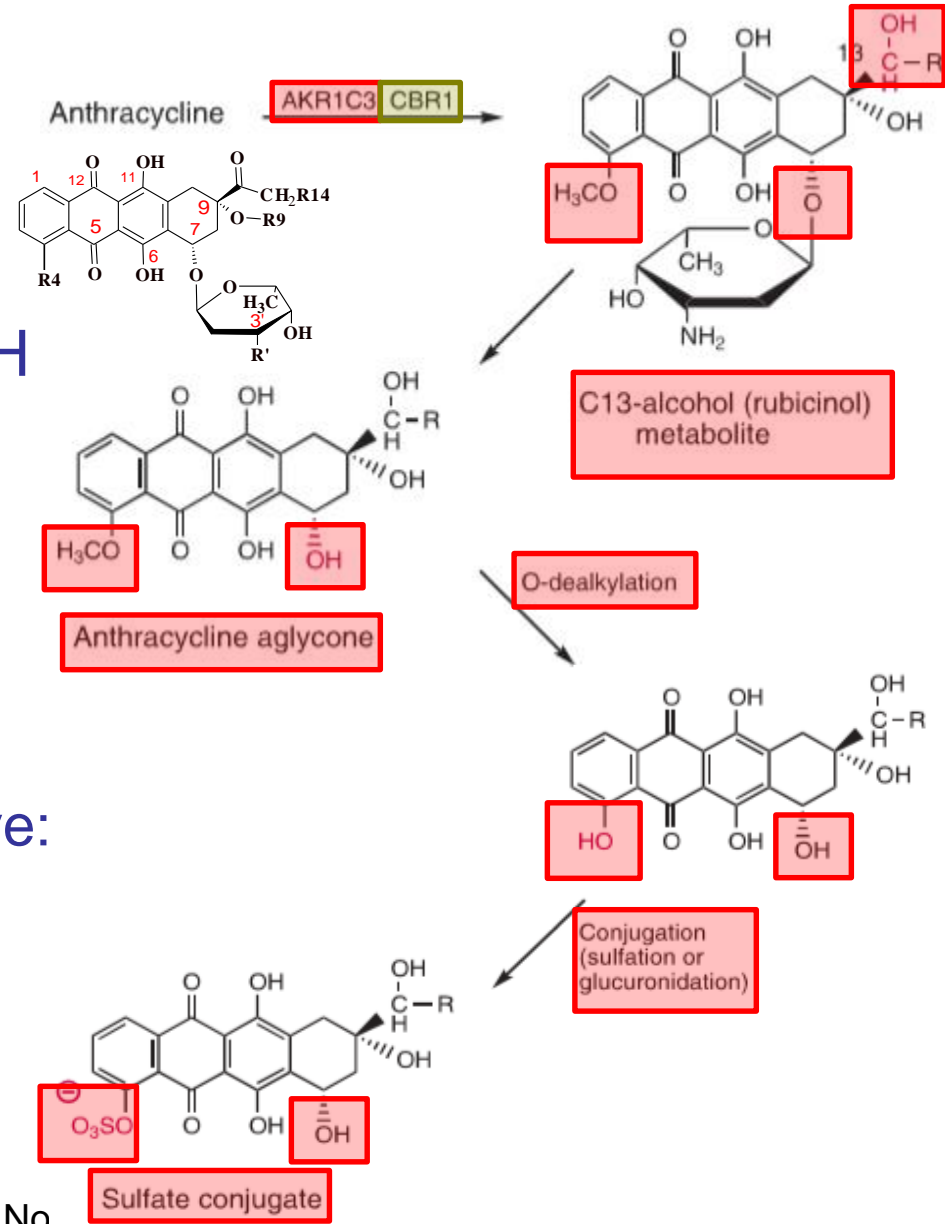
- ✓ affected by C14: CH₃ or CH₂OH

- C7-O-dealkylation:

- ✓ C7-hydroxy or C7-deoxy derivative:

- ✓ aglycone derivative

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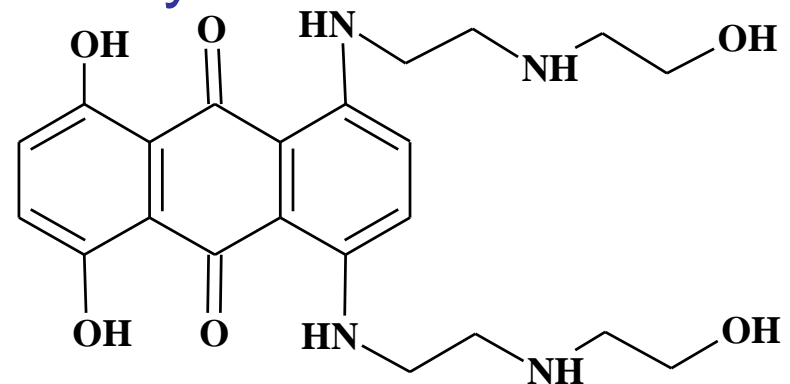
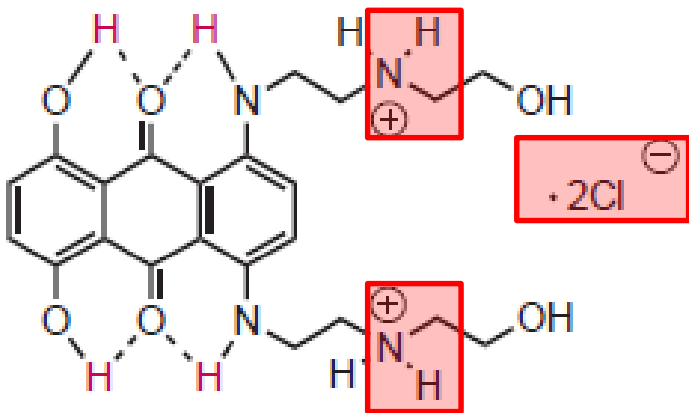
Figure 33.33 Anthracycline metabolism (AKR, aldo-keto reductase; CBR, carbonyl reductase).

Cardiotoxicity by Anthracyclines

- Acute:
 - ✓ caused by: superoxide radical anion($\cdot\text{O-O}^-$) & hydroxyl radical
 - ✓ more in tissues with **low** catalase
 - ✓ ferrous affects in $[\cdot\text{OH}]$
 - ✓ fenton reaction
- Chronic:
 - ✓ caused by rubicinols & 7-hydroxy or 7-deoxy metabolites
depends on Aldo-Keto Reductase(AKR) & carbonyl reductase(CBR)
generates ROS & change in $[\text{Ca}]_i$ in cardiomyocytes
 - ✓ TopII β inhibition in myocardium: may facilitate ROS formation

III.4. Anthracendione: SAR

- Mitoxantrone: as di-hydrochloride salt: di-HCl
- Anthracendione: tricyclic: aromatic rings: flat portion
- ✓ how is ability to chelate Fe^{2+} ?
- Compare to anthracyclines: **no** sugar moiety
- Amine possessing chain instead of ... in anthracycline:
- ✓ hydroxy-ethylene-amino-ethylene amine
- Significantly decreased cardiotoxicity risk



Metabolism of Mitoxantrone

- N-dealkylation & CYP oxidation **in**activation
- Naphthoquinoxaline: active metabolite

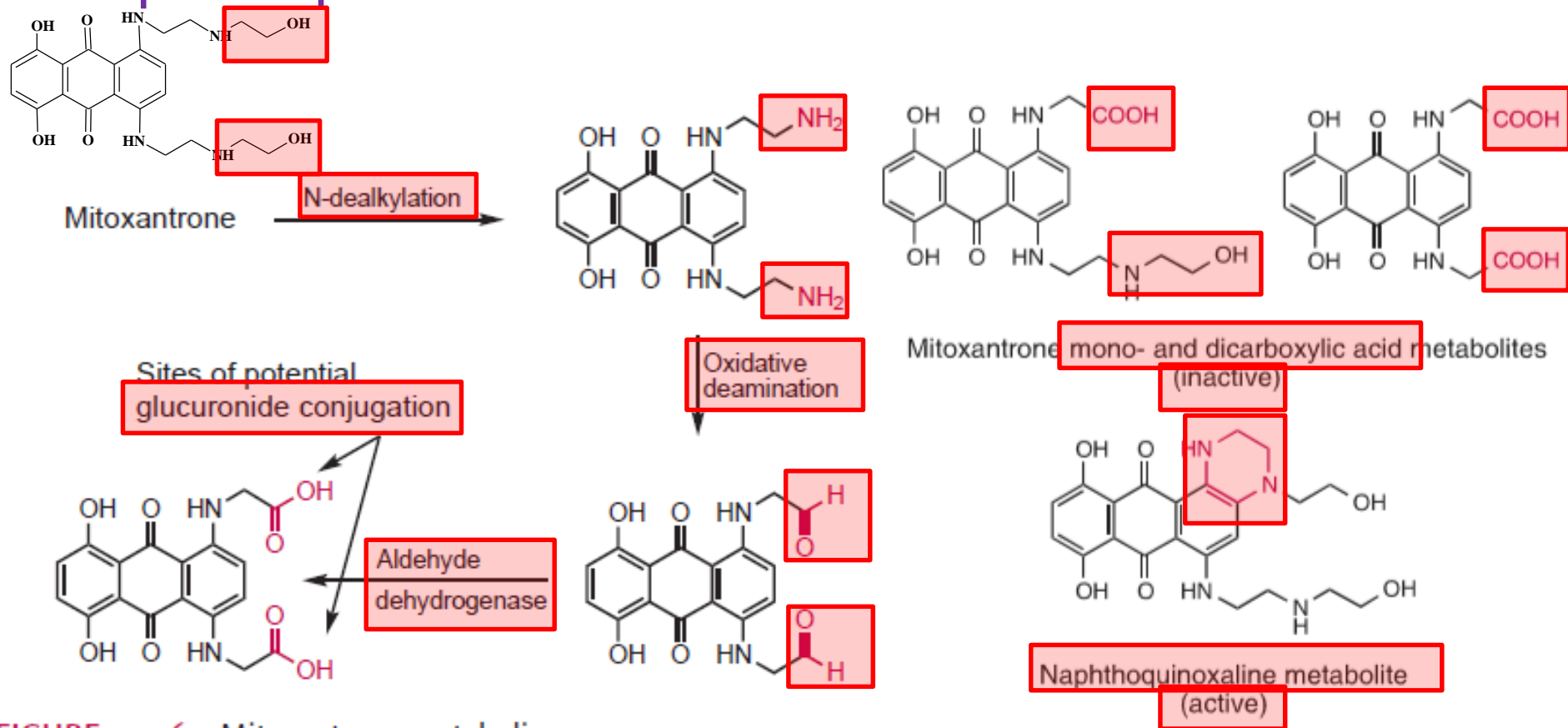


FIGURE 37.26 Mitoxantrone metabolism.