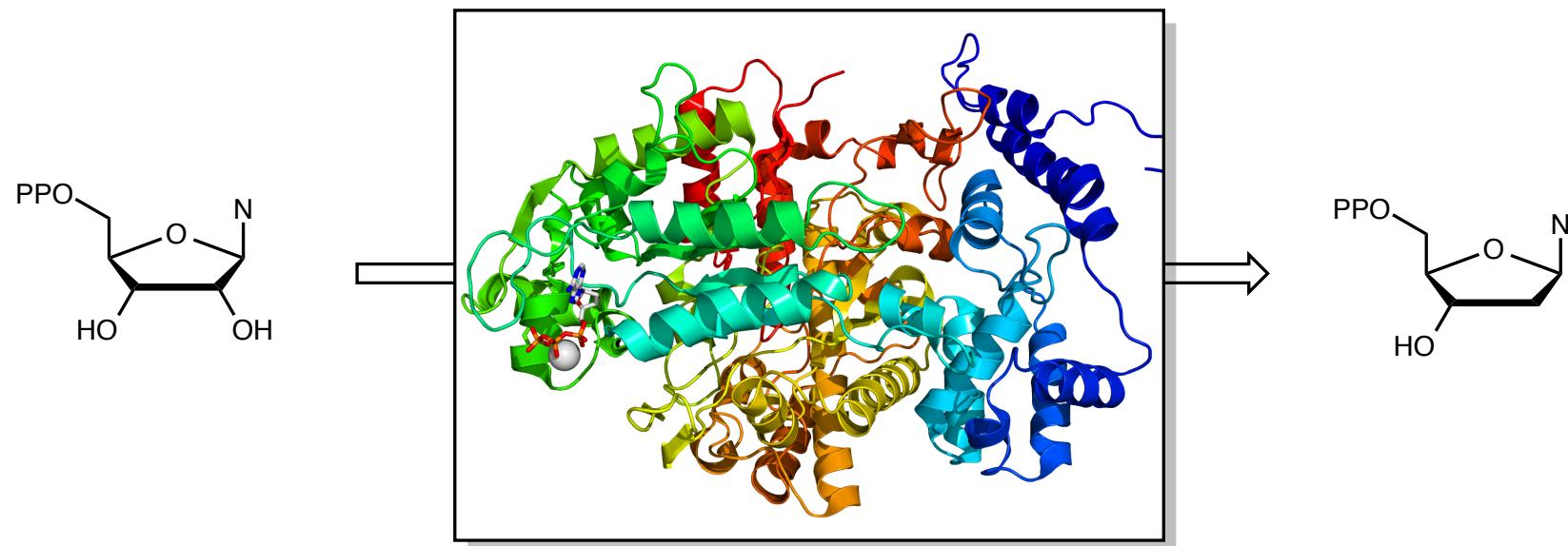


Radical Enzymes



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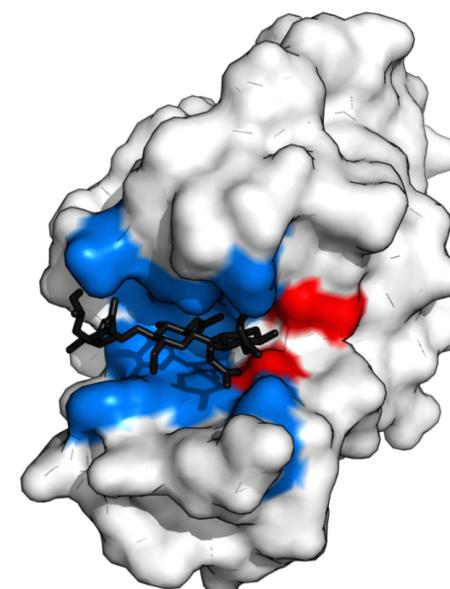
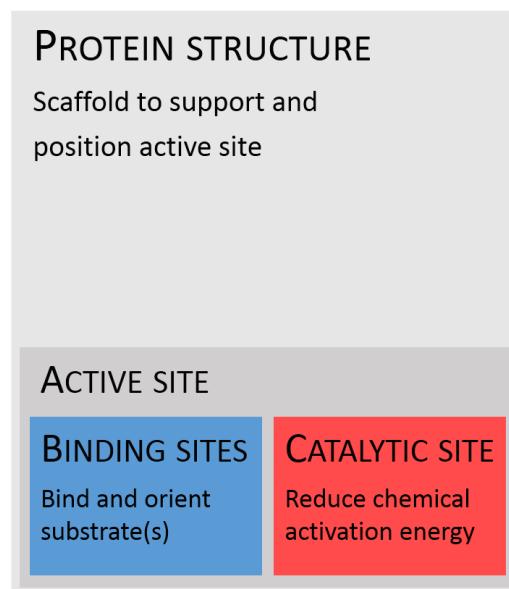
Enzymes

■ Definition

- Enzymes are macromolecular biological catalysts.
- Catalyze more than 5,000 biochemical reaction types.
- Most enzymes are proteins, a few are catalytic RNA molecules.

■ Structure

- Enzymes are linear chains of amino acids that fold to produce a three-dimensional structure.
- The sequence of the amino acids specifies the structure.
- The structure determines the catalytic activity of the enzyme.



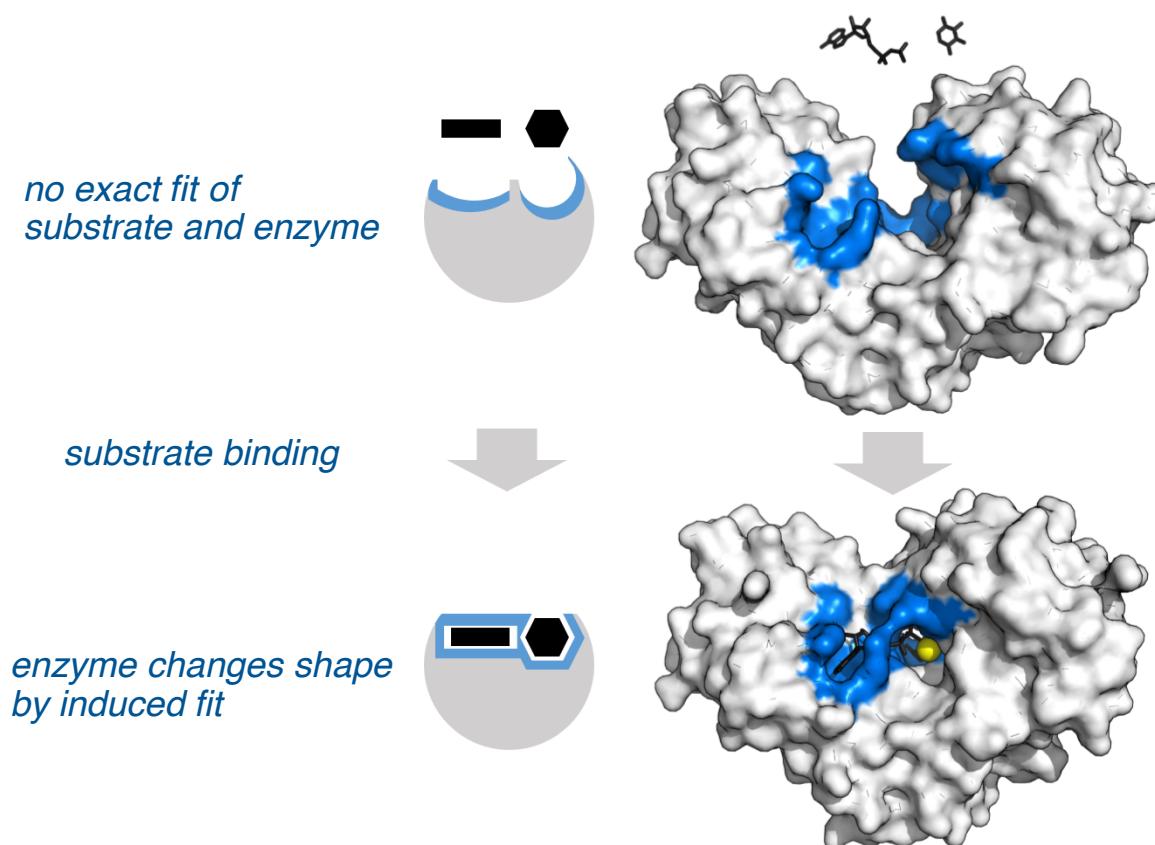
Enzymes

■ Substrate Binding

Enzymes must bind their substrates before they can catalyze any chemical reaction.

■ **"Key and lock" model:** In 1894, Emil Fischer proposed: the enzyme and the substrate fit exactly into one another.

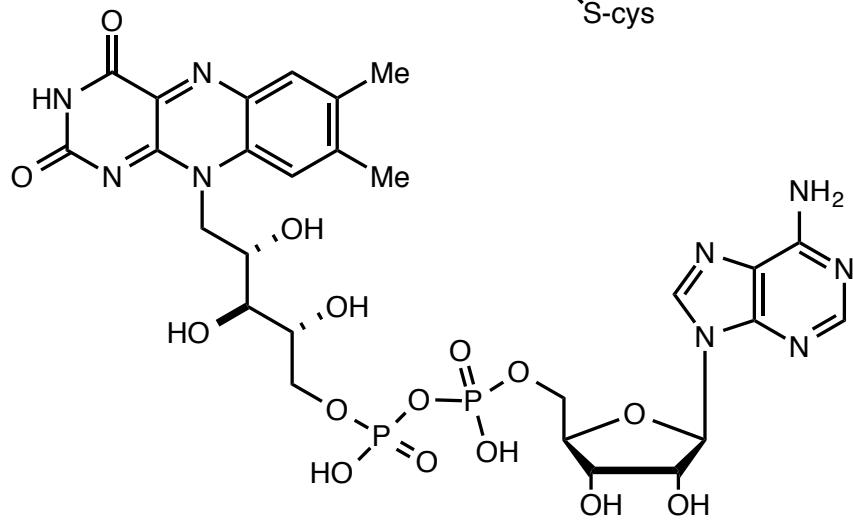
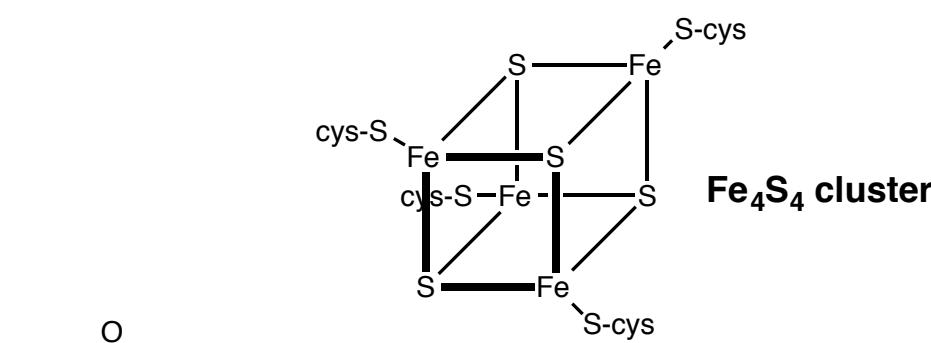
■ **Induced fit model:** In 1958, Daniel Koshland suggested a modification: the active site is continuously reshaped by interactions with the substrate.



Enzymes

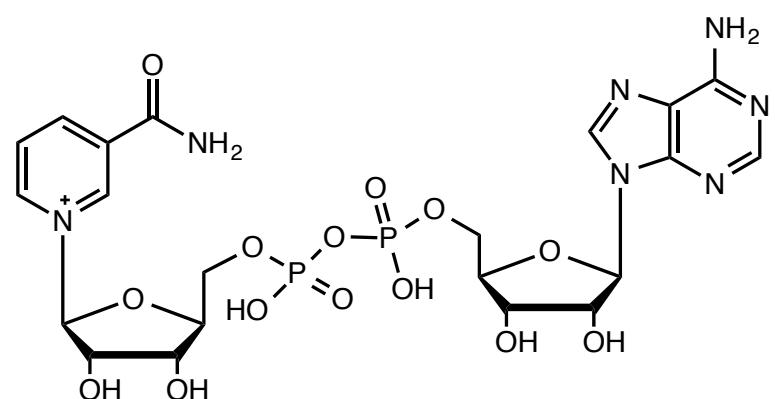
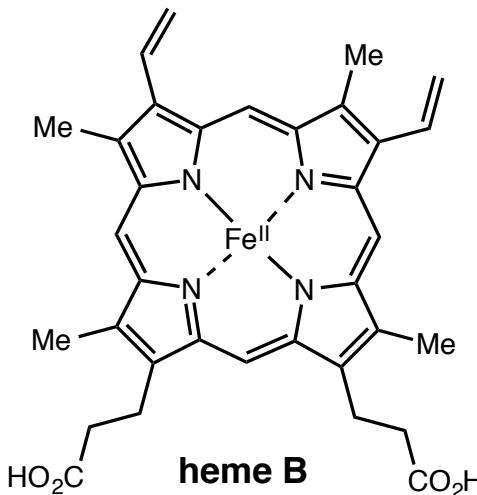
Cofactors

- Some enzymes do not need additional components to show full activity. Others require non-protein molecules called cofactors to be bound for activity.
- Cofactors can be either inorganic or organic compounds.



left half of FAD

flavin mononucleotide (FMN)

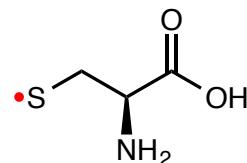


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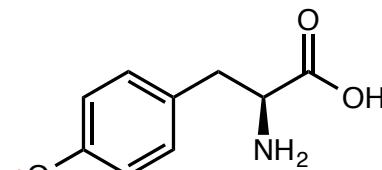
■ Definition

The term *radical enzyme* describes those enzymes that catalyze reactions in which radicals participate.

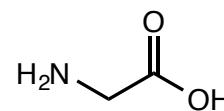
■ Radicals of Biology



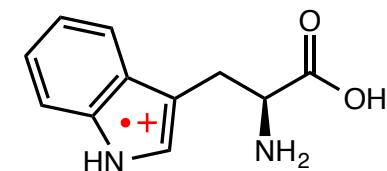
cysteine thiol radical
(cysteinyl)



tyrosine oxy radical
(tyrosyl)

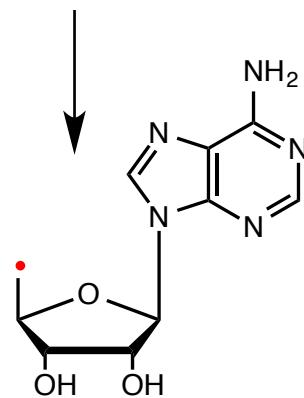


glycine carbon radical
(glycyl)

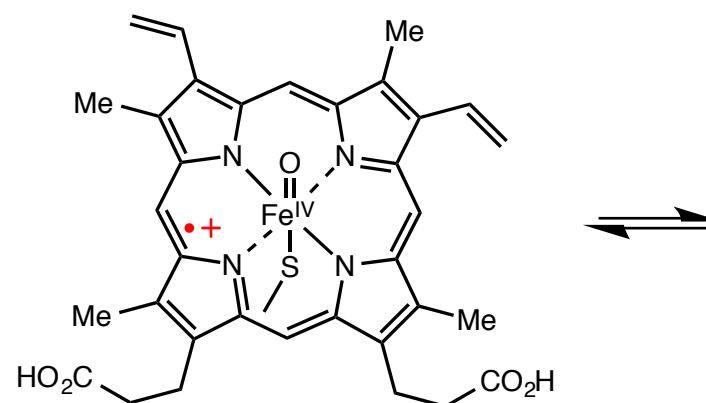


tryptophan cation radical

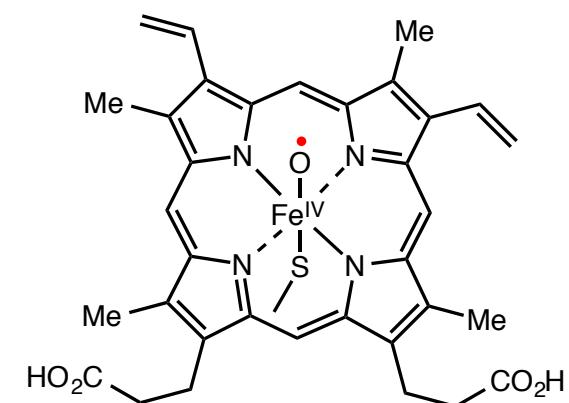
coenzyme B₁₂ / SAM



5'-deoxyadenosyl radical



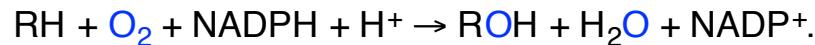
CYP450 compound I



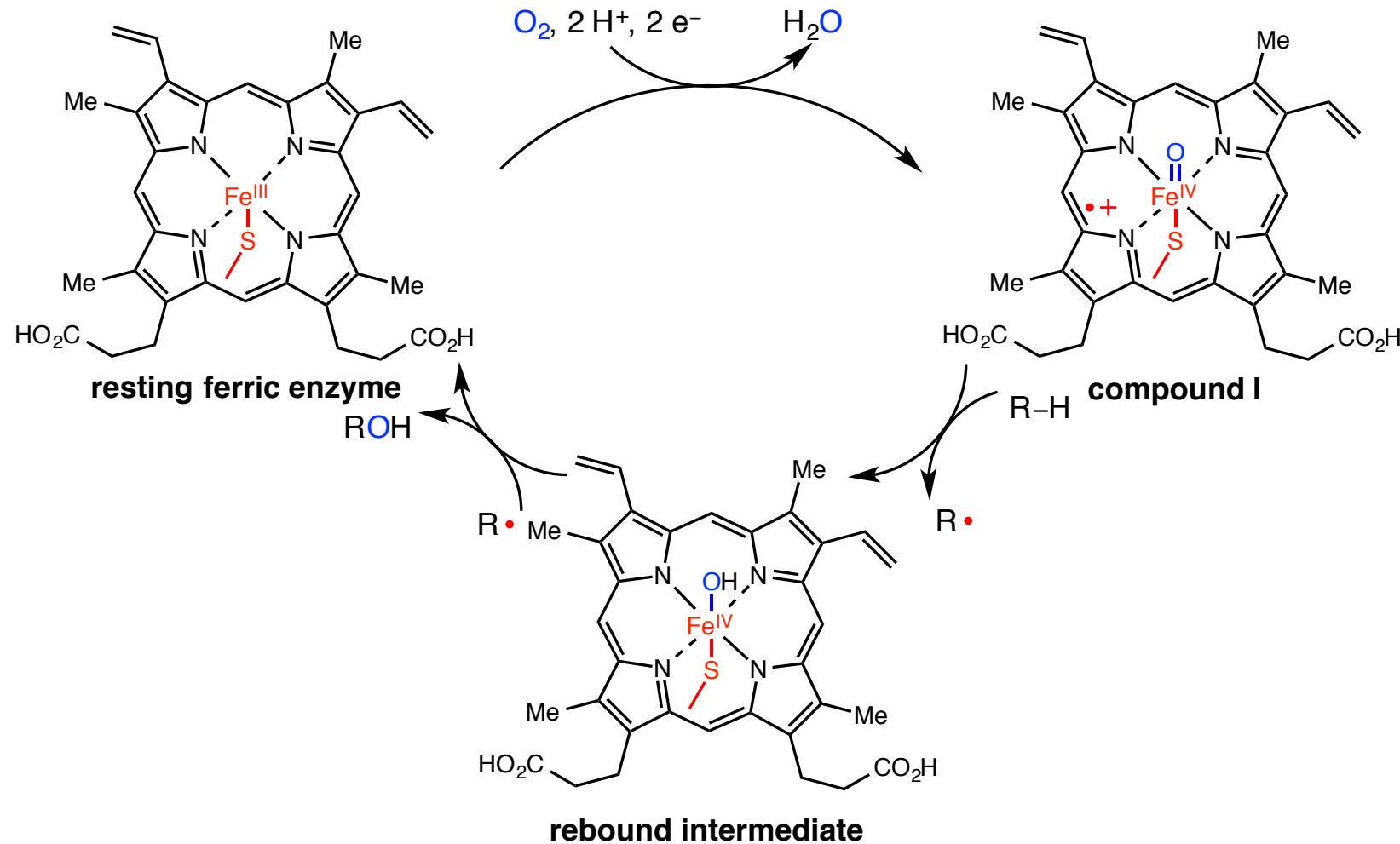
Cytochromes P450

■ Introduction

The most common reaction catalyzed by cytochromes P450 is a monooxygenase reaction:



■ Oxygen Rebound Mechanism in P450-catalyzed C–H Hydroxylation



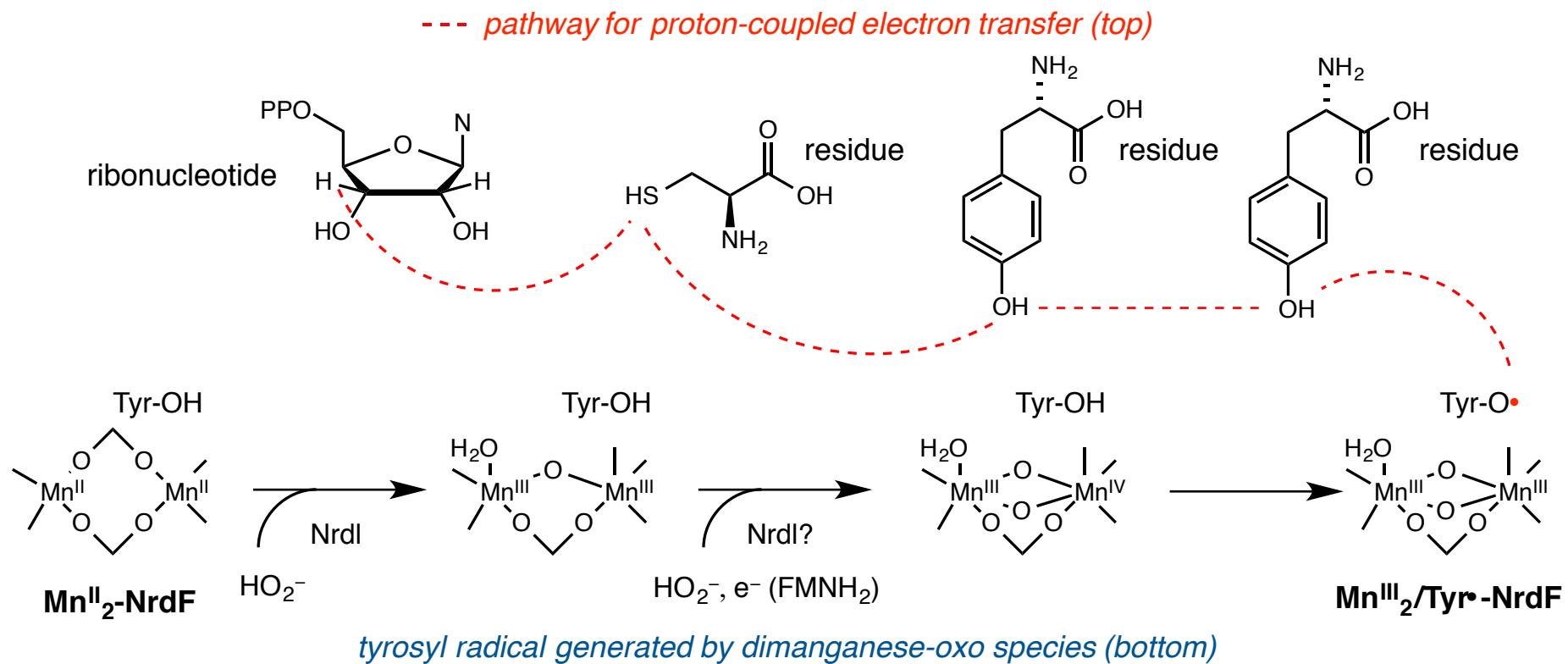
Ribonucleotide Reductases

■ Introduction

Ribonucleotide reductases (RNR) are enzymes that catalyze the formation of deoxyribonucleotides from ribonucleotides. Deoxyribonucleotides in turn are used in the synthesis of DNA.

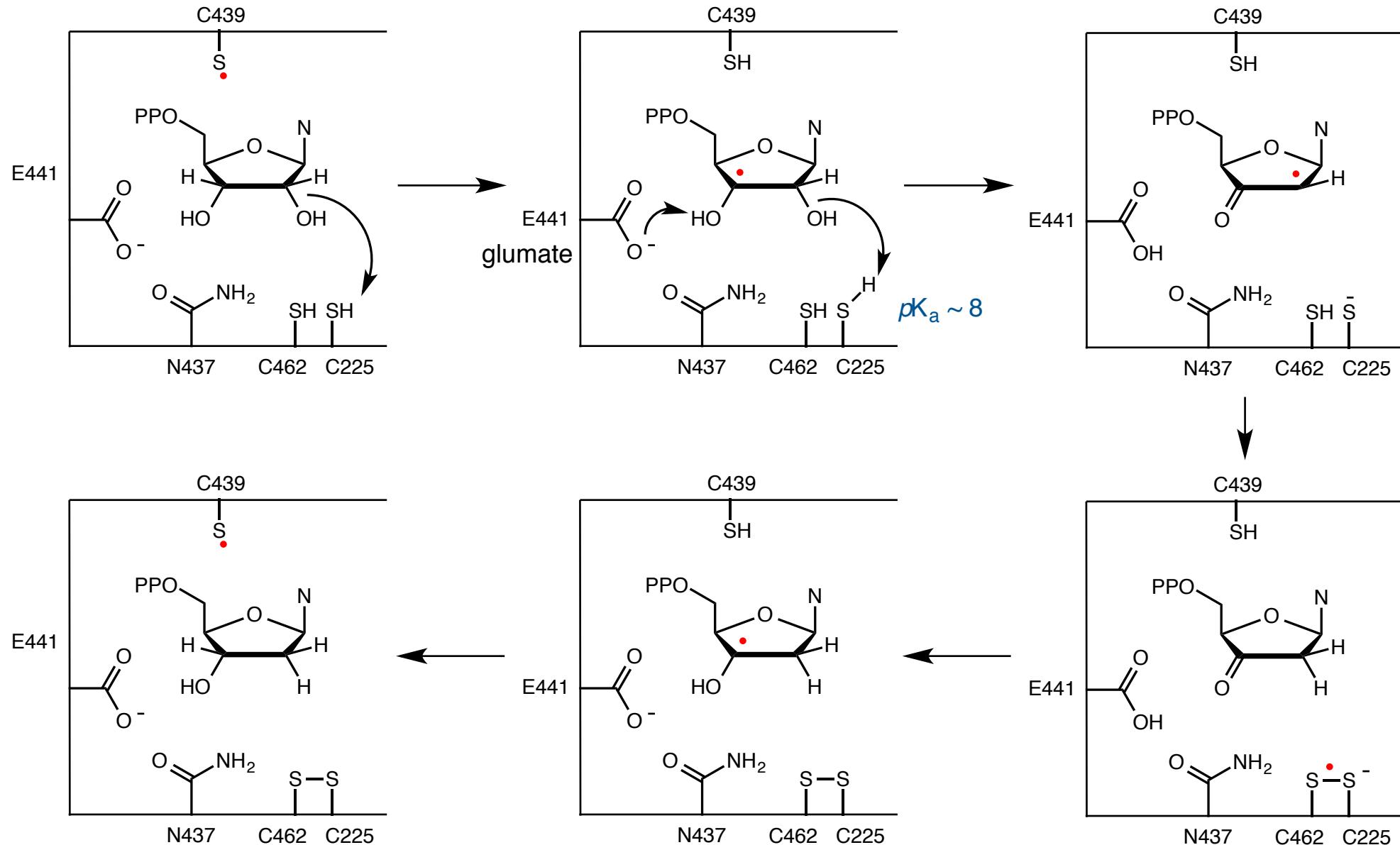
■ Classes of RNRs

- **Class I enzymes:** aerobic, di-iron-oxo (class Ia) or dimanganese-oxo (class Ib) or Fe(III)-(O)₂-Mn(IV) (class Ic).
- **Class II enzymes:** anaerobic but can survive when exposed to O₂, coenzyme B₁₂.
- **Class III enzymes:** strictly anaerobic, SAM.



Ribonucleotide Reductases

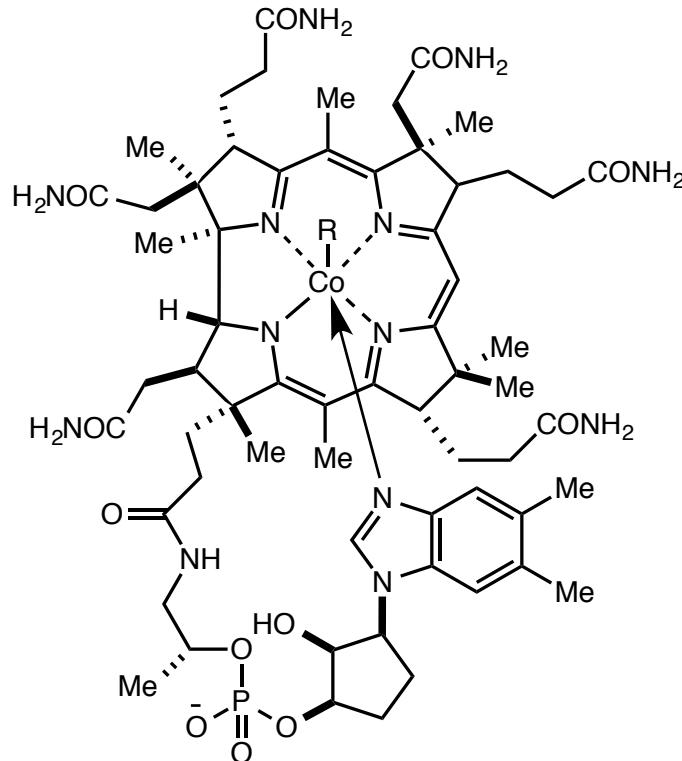
Mechanism for RNR Catalyzed Reduction of NDPs (*E. coli*)



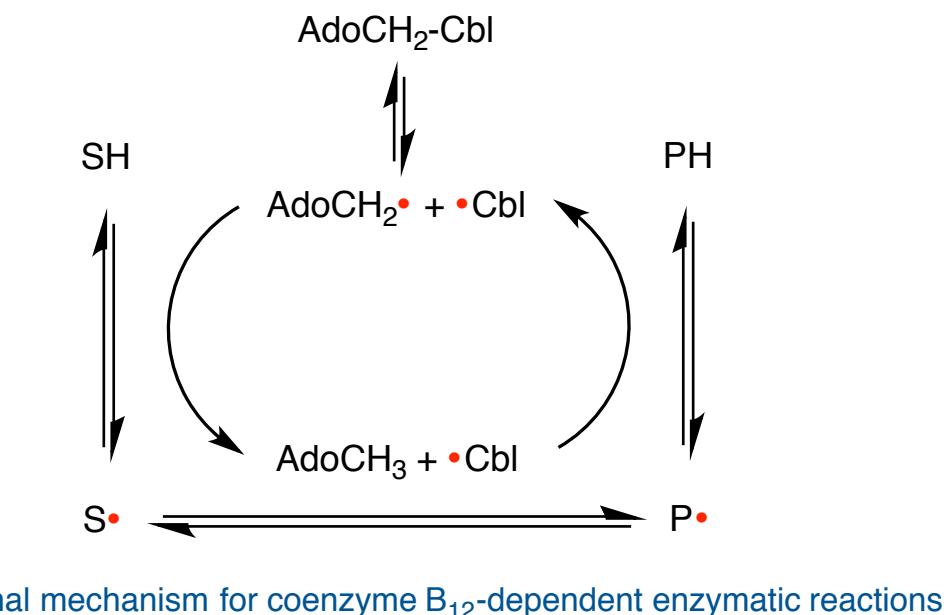
Coenzyme B₁₂-Dependent Enzymes

■ Introduction

- The Co-C bond is relatively weak (BDE ~ 31.2 KCal/mol), however the coenzyme B₁₂ is rather stable in water at 30 °C ($\tau_{1/2}$ 1.9 years).
- The binding to the enzyme partner and the arrival of a substrate molecule initiates cleavage of the Co-C bond.
- Coenzyme B₁₂ operates with two types of enzymes: the eliminases and the mutases.

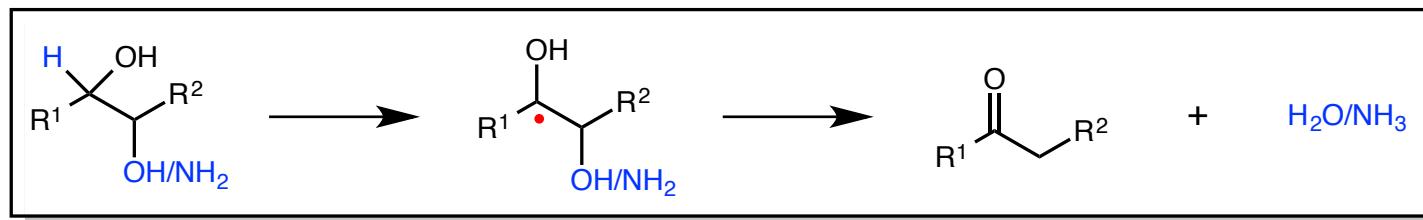


coenzyme B₁₂ (R = 5'-deoxyadenosyl)

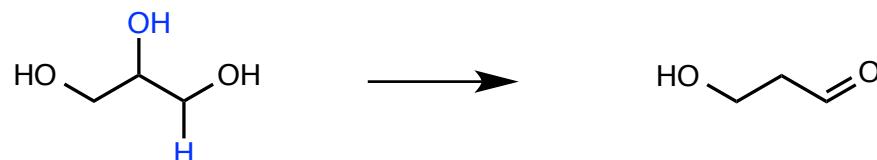


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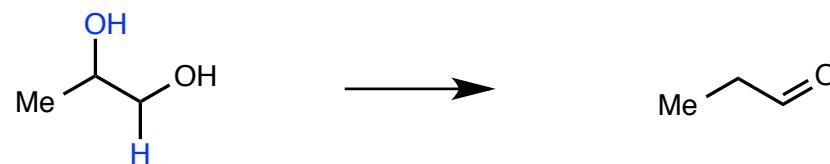
■ Eliminases



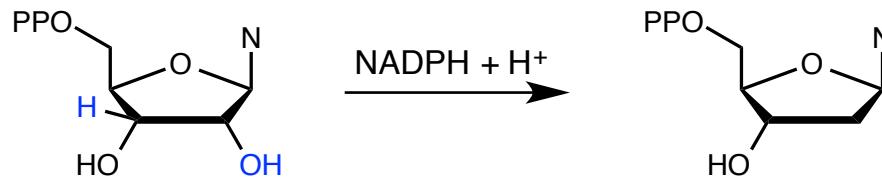
■ Glycerol dehydratase



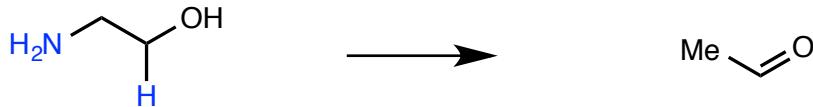
■ Propane-1,2-diol dehydratase



■ Ribonucleotide reductases

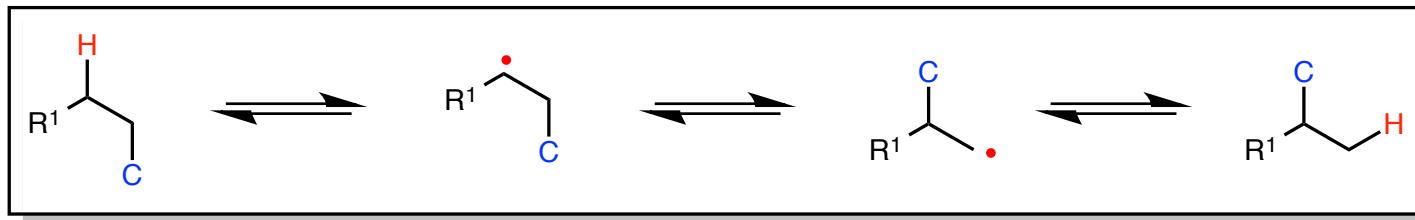


■ Ethanolamine ammonia lyase

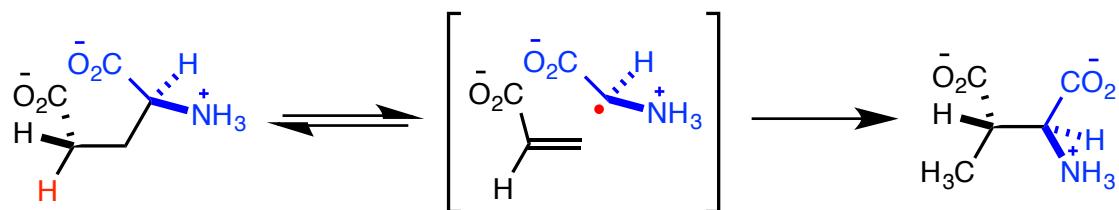


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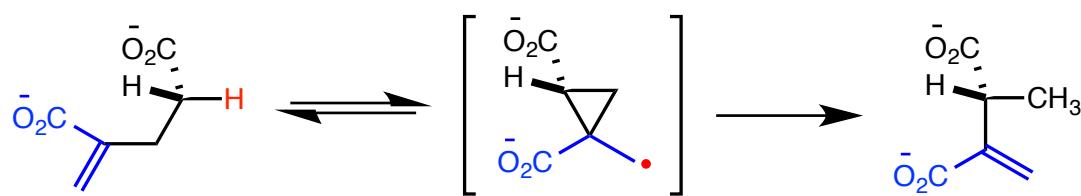
■ Carbon-skeleton Mutases



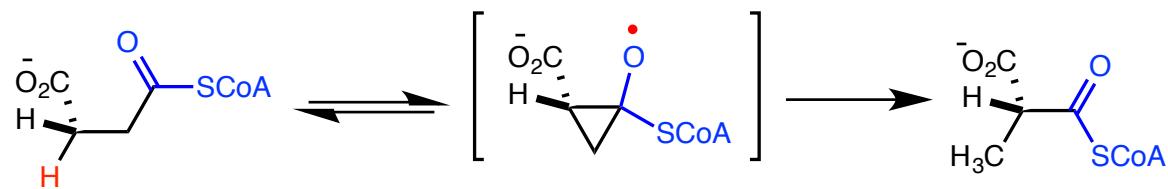
■ Glutamate mutase



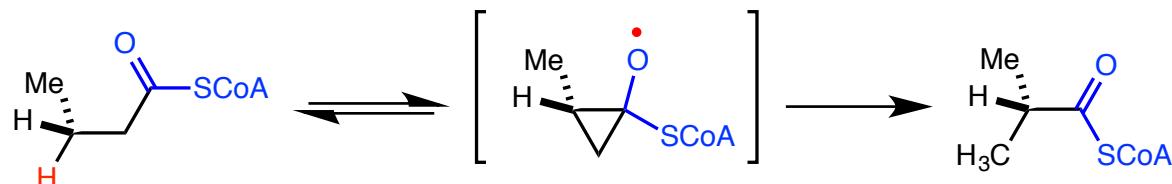
■ 2-Methylene-glutarate mutase



■ Methylmalonyl-CoA mutase

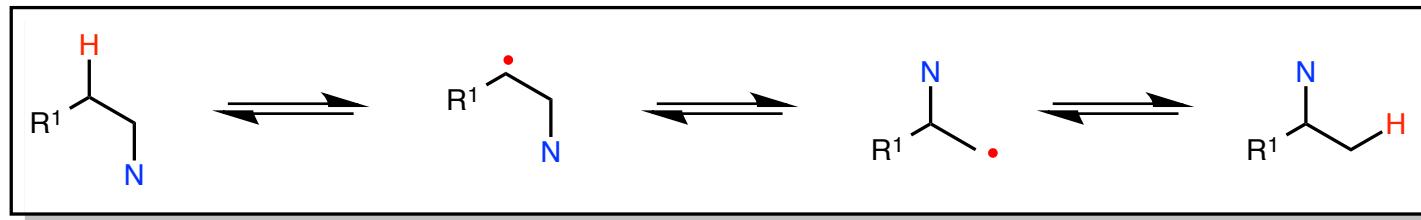


■ Isobutyryl-CoA mutase

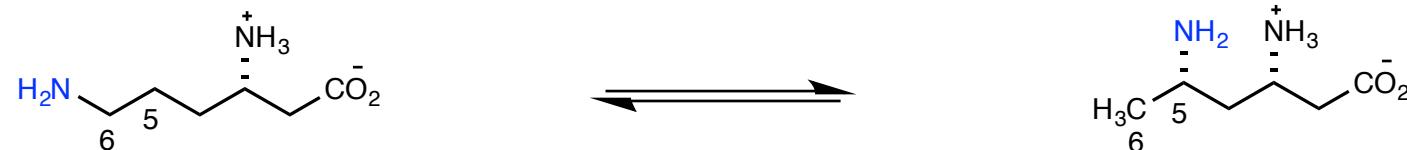


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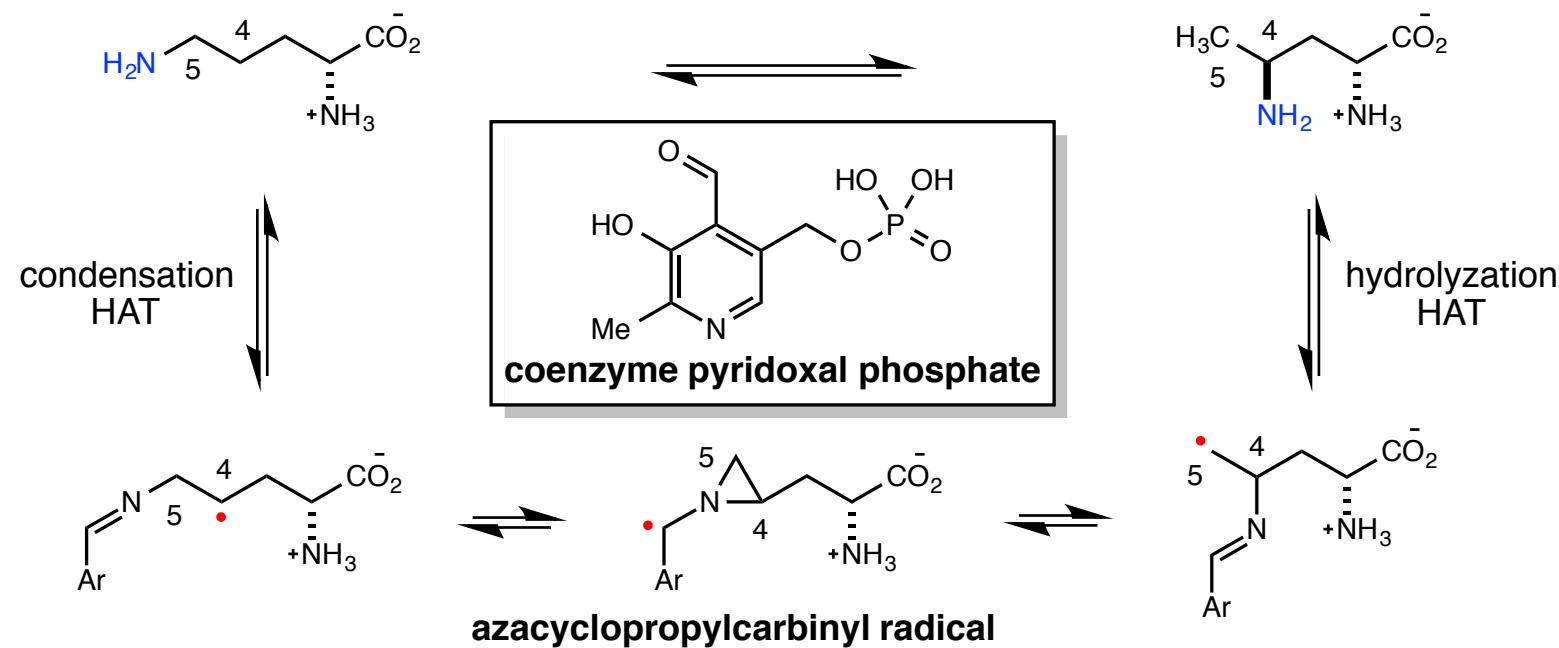
Amino Mutases



β -Lysine-5,6-aminomutase



Ornithine-4,5-aminomutase



SAM radical Enzymes

■ Introduction

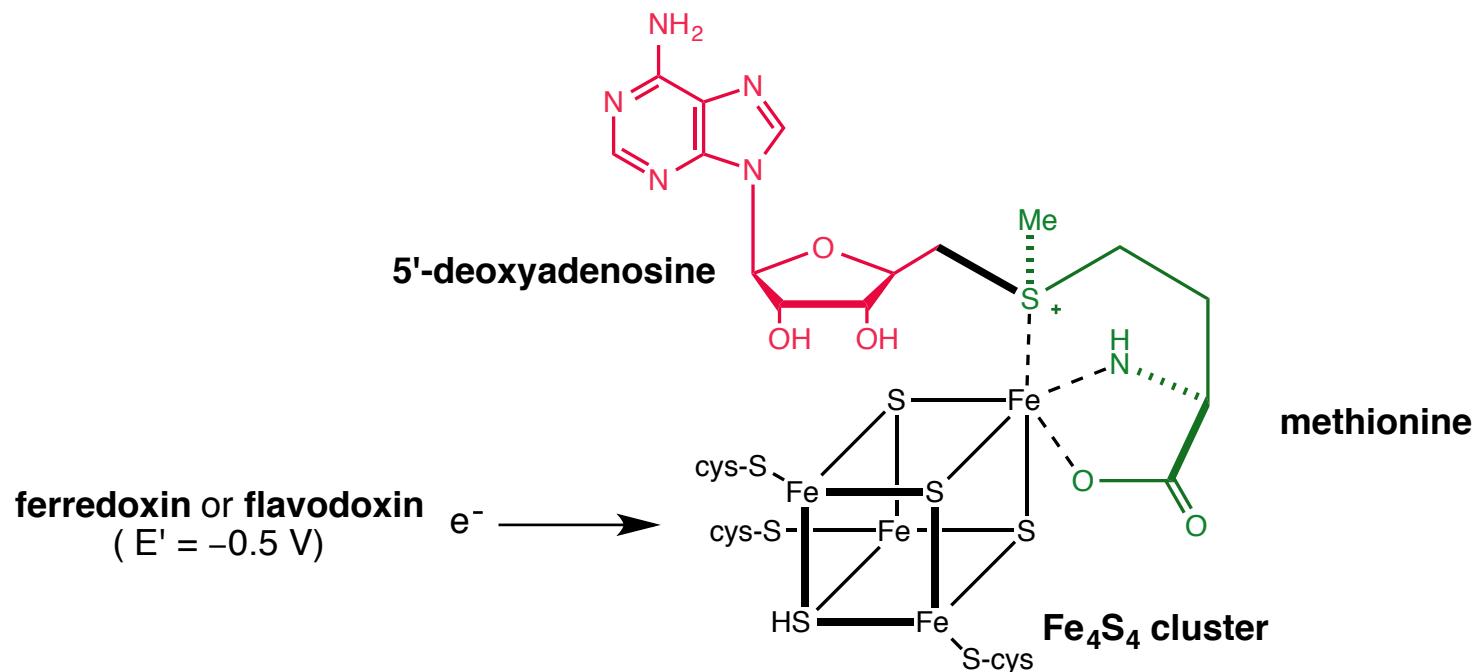
To date, there are about 40 different radical reactions catalyzed by characterized SAM radical enzymes.

The 5'-deoxyadenosyl radical initiates catalysis generally by hydrogen atom abstraction from the substrate.

■ Classes of SAM radical enzymes

■ **Recyclizing SAM radical enzymes:** the resulting 5'-deoxyadenosine is recycled to regenerate SAM.

■ **Irreversible SAM radical enzymes:** 5'-deoxyadenosine is dumped irreversibly.



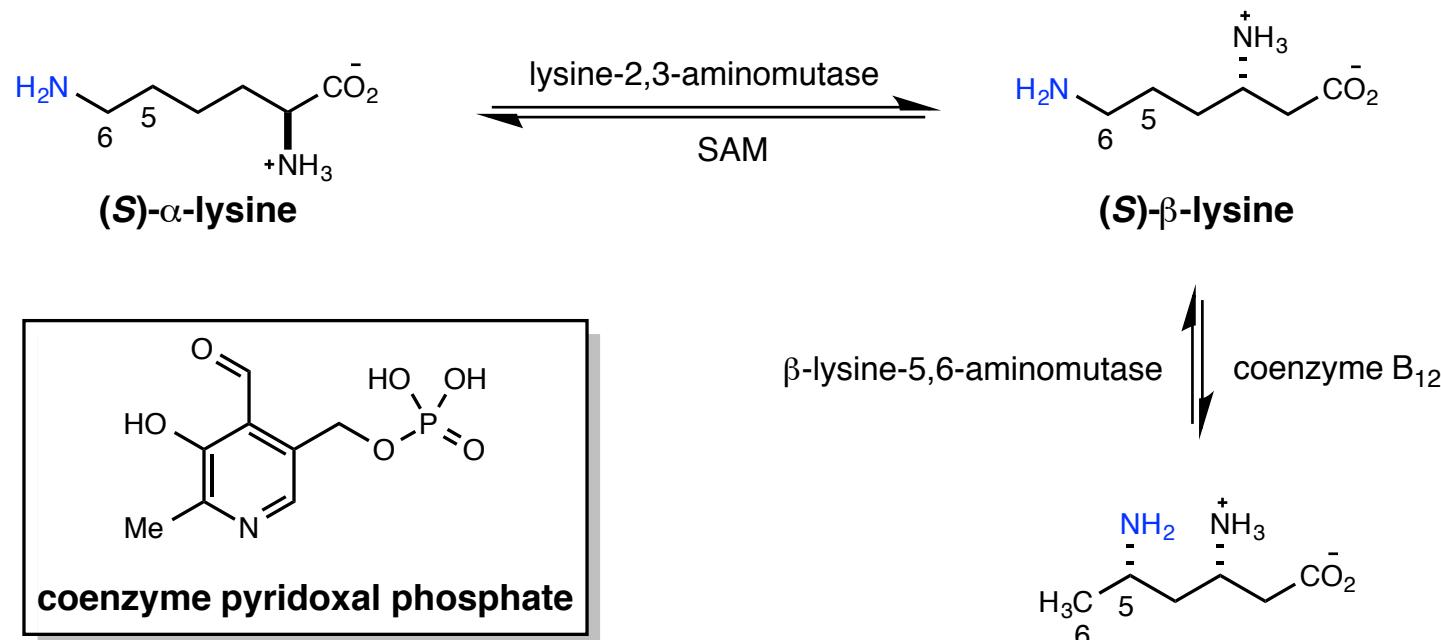
Mode of SAM (S-adenosyl methionine) binding to the fourth iron of the cluster

SAM radical Enzymes

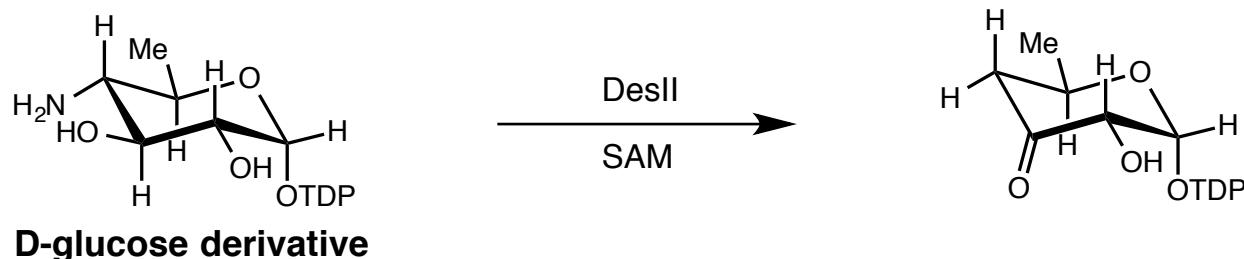
■ Recycling SAM Radical Enzymes

■ Lysine-2,3-aminomutase

In 1989, Perry A. Frey discovered hydrogen transfer from the 5'-methylene group of SAM to α - and β -lysine, which means 5-deoxyadenosyl radical is involved and could be regenerated.



■ DesII

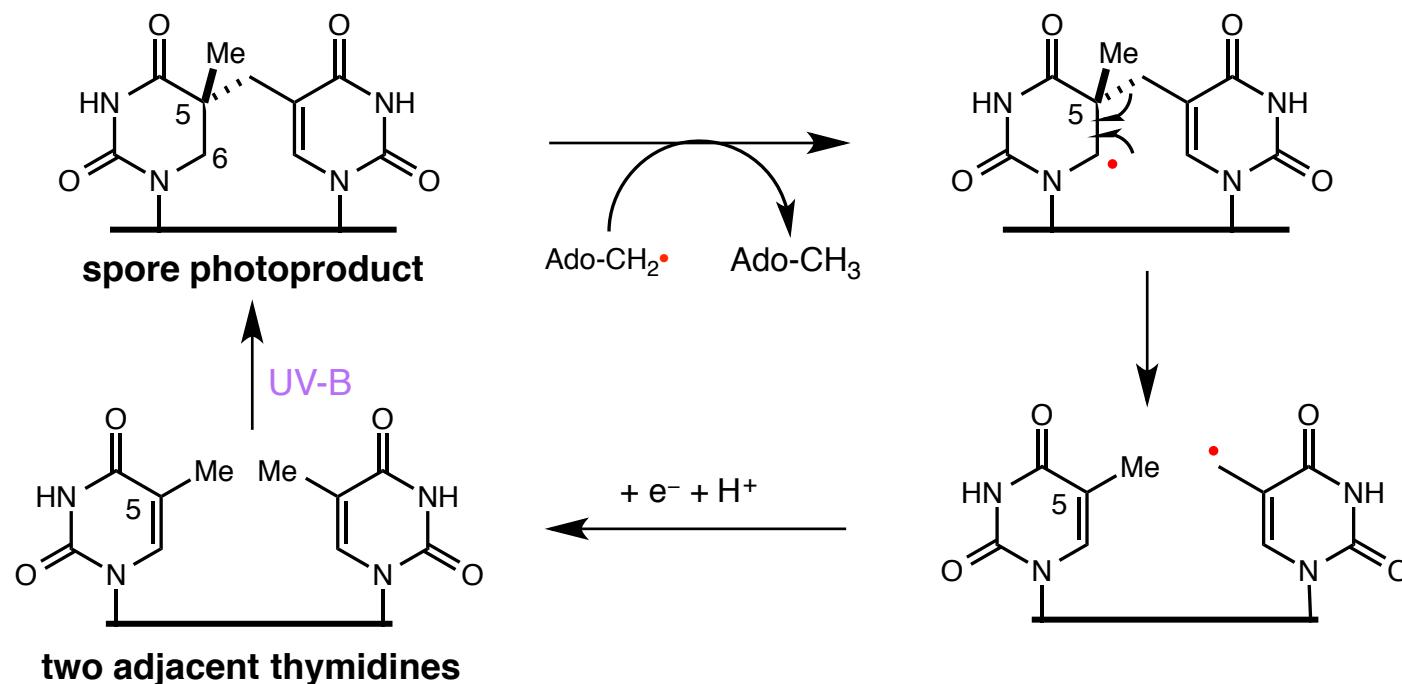


SAM radical Enzymes

■ Recycling SAM Radical Enzymes

■ Spore Photoproduct Lyase, recycling or irreversible? Recent experiments suggest No.

Spore photoproduct lyase has to repair DNA lesions that occasionally occur in bacteria germinated from spores.

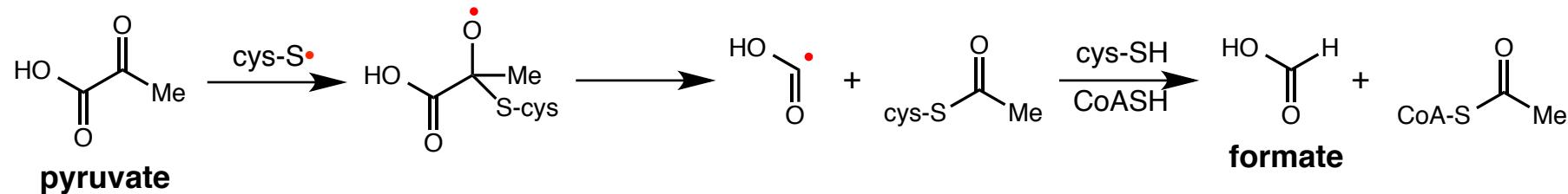


SAM radical Enzymes

■ 7 Known Irreversible SAM-Glycine-Cysteine Radical Enzymes

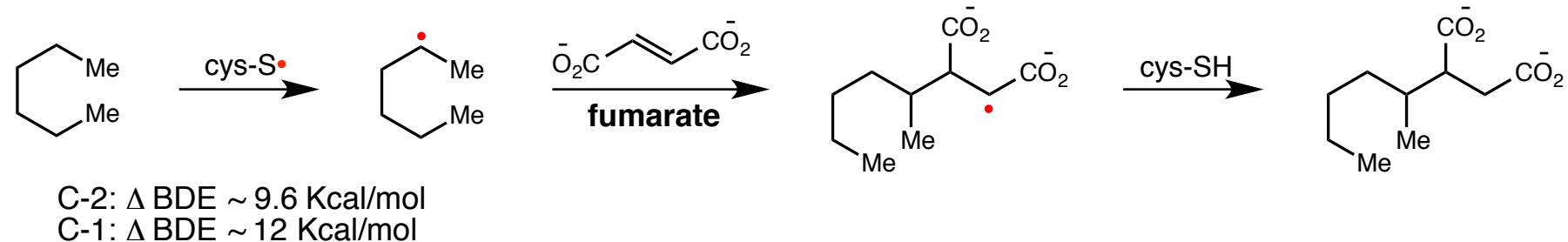
■ RNR III (refer to the RNR part)

■ Pyruvate formate lyase



■ 2-Oxobutyrate formate lyase (similar to the above)

■ 2-(1-methylpentyl)succinate synthase

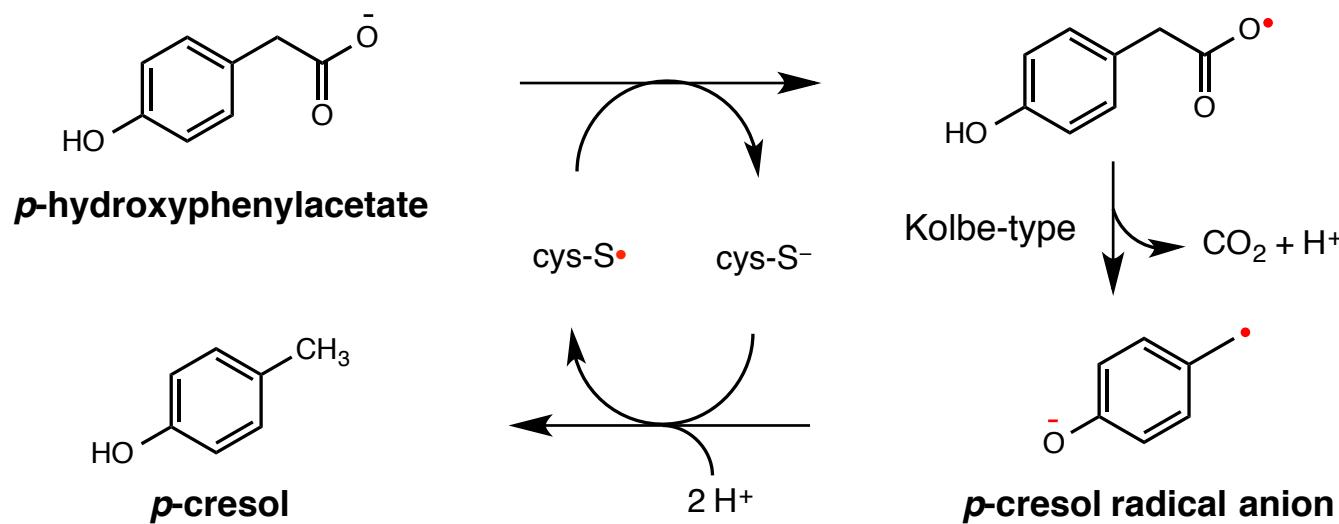


■ Benzylsuccinate synthase (similar to the above)

SAM radical Enzymes

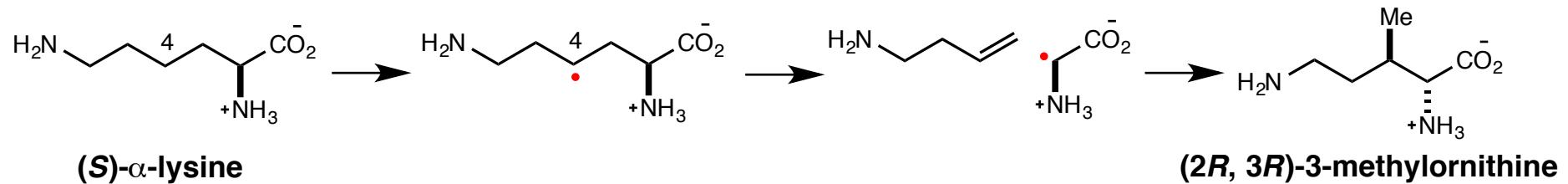
■ 7 Known Irreversible SAM-Glycine-Cysteine Radical Enzymes

- Glycerol dehydratase (similar to the version of coenzyme B₁₂-dependent enzyme)
- p-Hydroxyphenylacetate decarboxylase

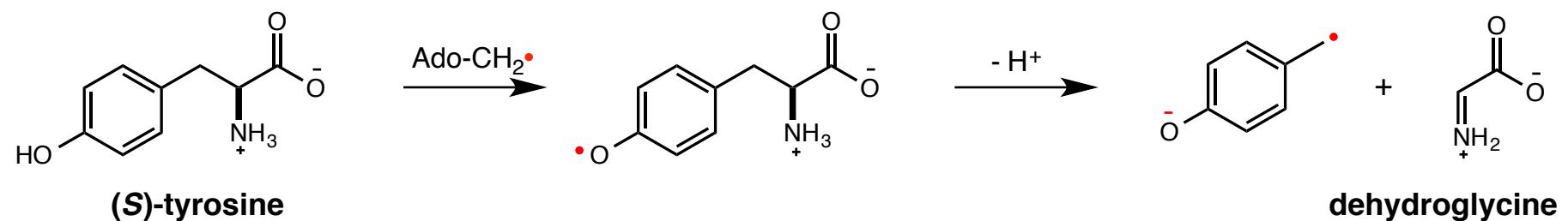


SAM radical Enzymes

■ Irreversible SAM Radical Enzymes: PylB



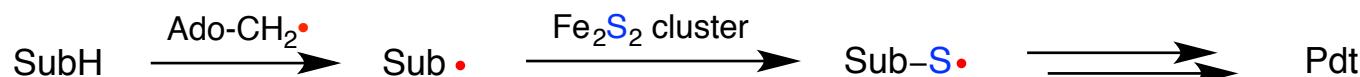
■ Irreversible SAM Radical Enzymes: HydG



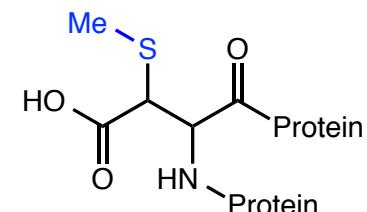
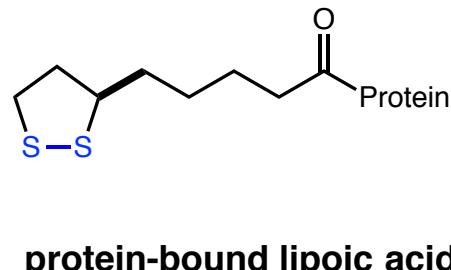
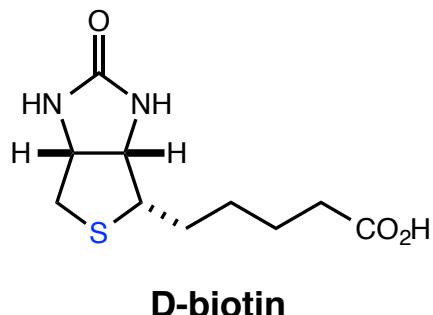
SAM radical Enzymes

■ Irreversible SAM Radical Enzymes: Sulfur insertion

The abstraction of a hydrogen atom bound to carbon is followed by insertion of sulfur derived from a second iron-sulfur cluster of SAM radical enzyme.



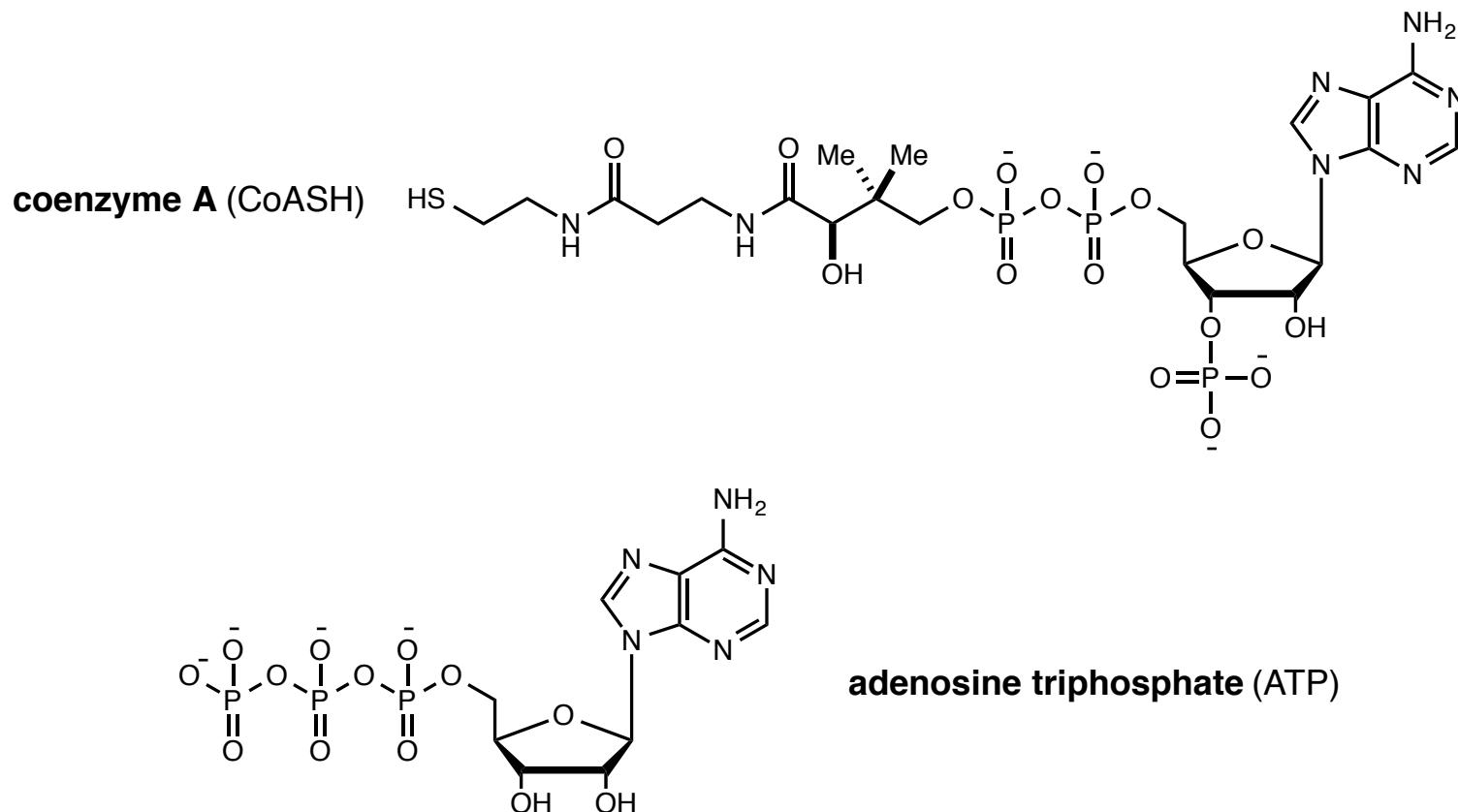
■ Examples of sulfur insertion by SAM radical enzymes



Reactions Involving Ketyl Radicals

■ Background of CoASH and ATP

- Coenzyme A (CoASH): react with carboxylic acids to form thioesters, followed by a variety of enzyme-catalyzed transformation.
- Adenosine triphosphate (ATP): a nucleoside triphosphate used in cells, a coenzyme often called the "molecular unit of currency" of intracellular energy transfer.

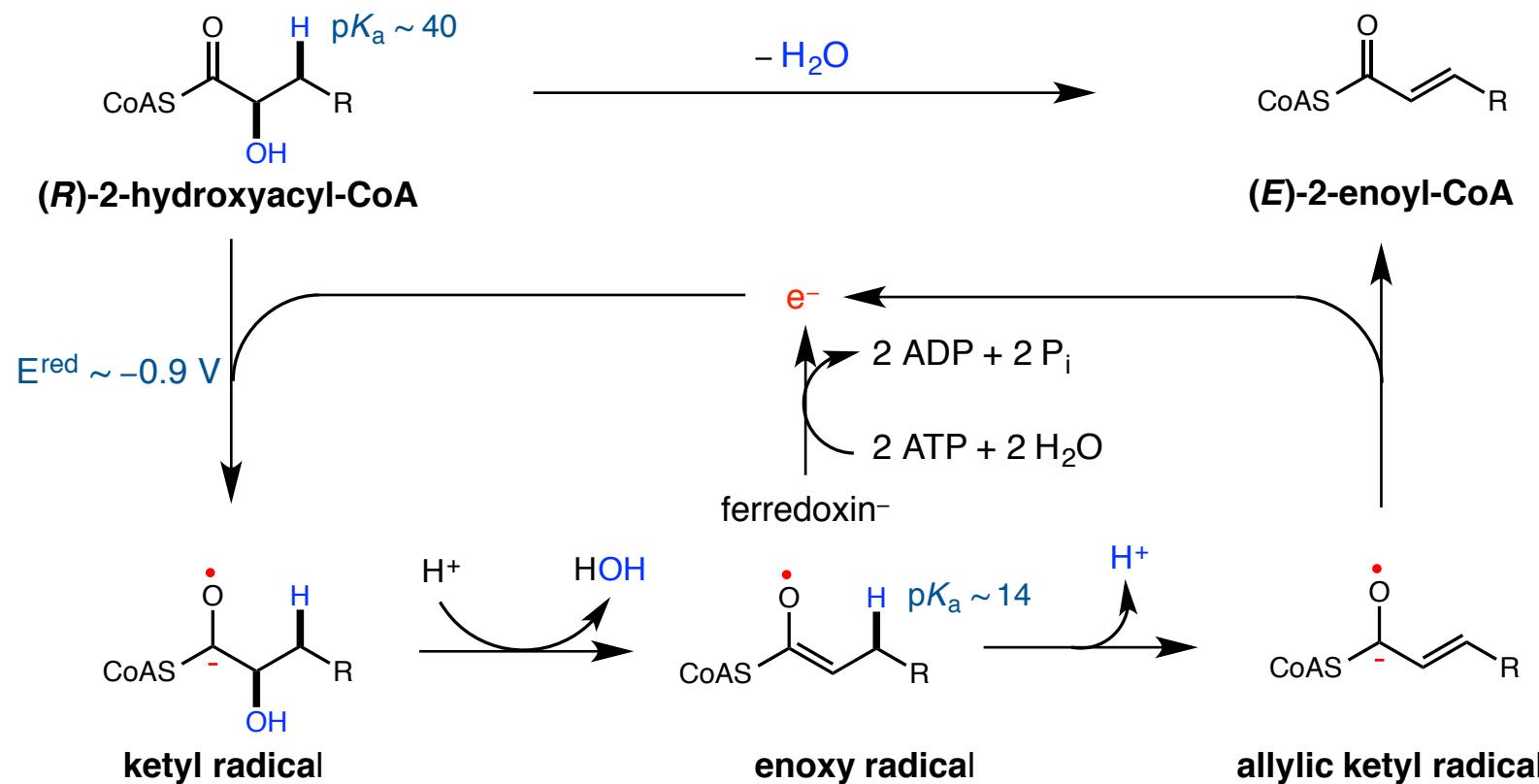


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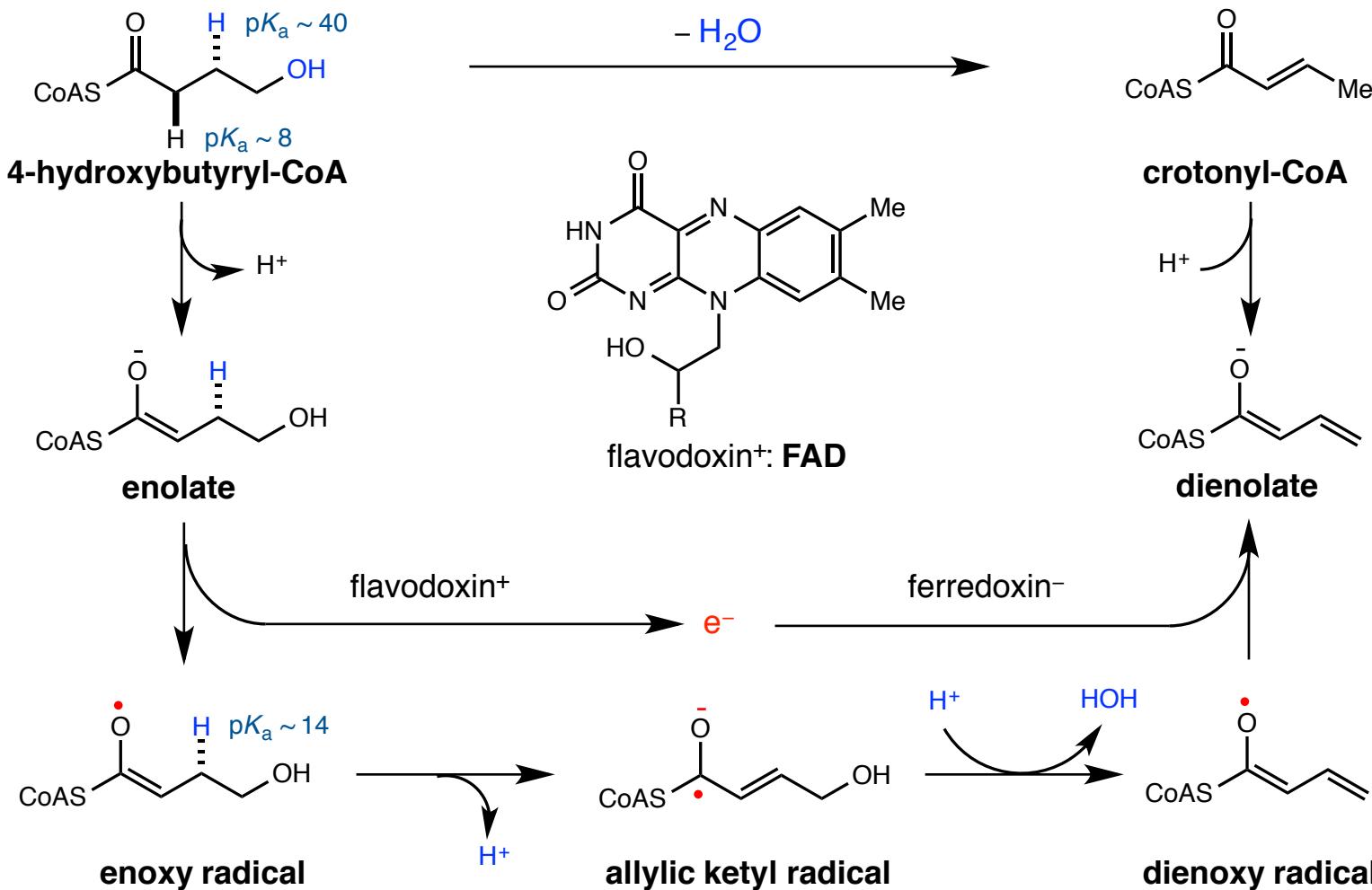
■ 2-Hydroxyacyl-CoA dehydratase

- SET causes the acidity of β -proton to increase by 26 orders of magnitude.
- Use of just one electron provides an explanation as to how an "impossible" dehydration can occur.



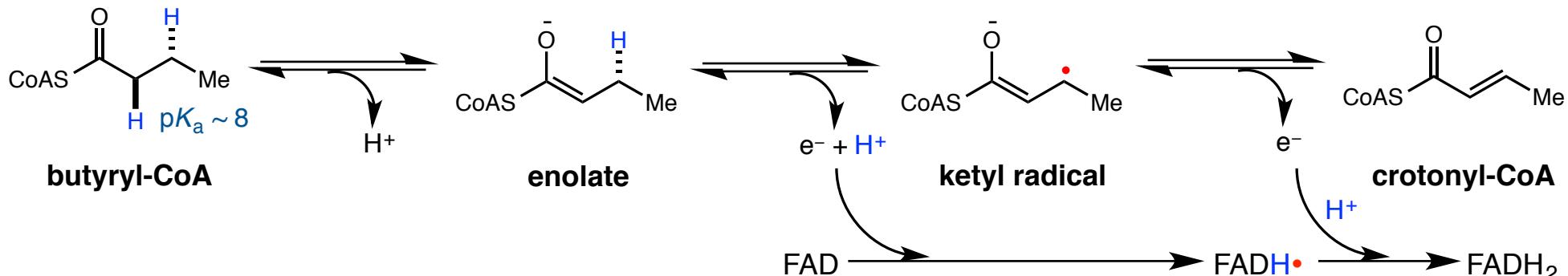
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■ 4-Hydroxybutyryl-CoA dehydratase

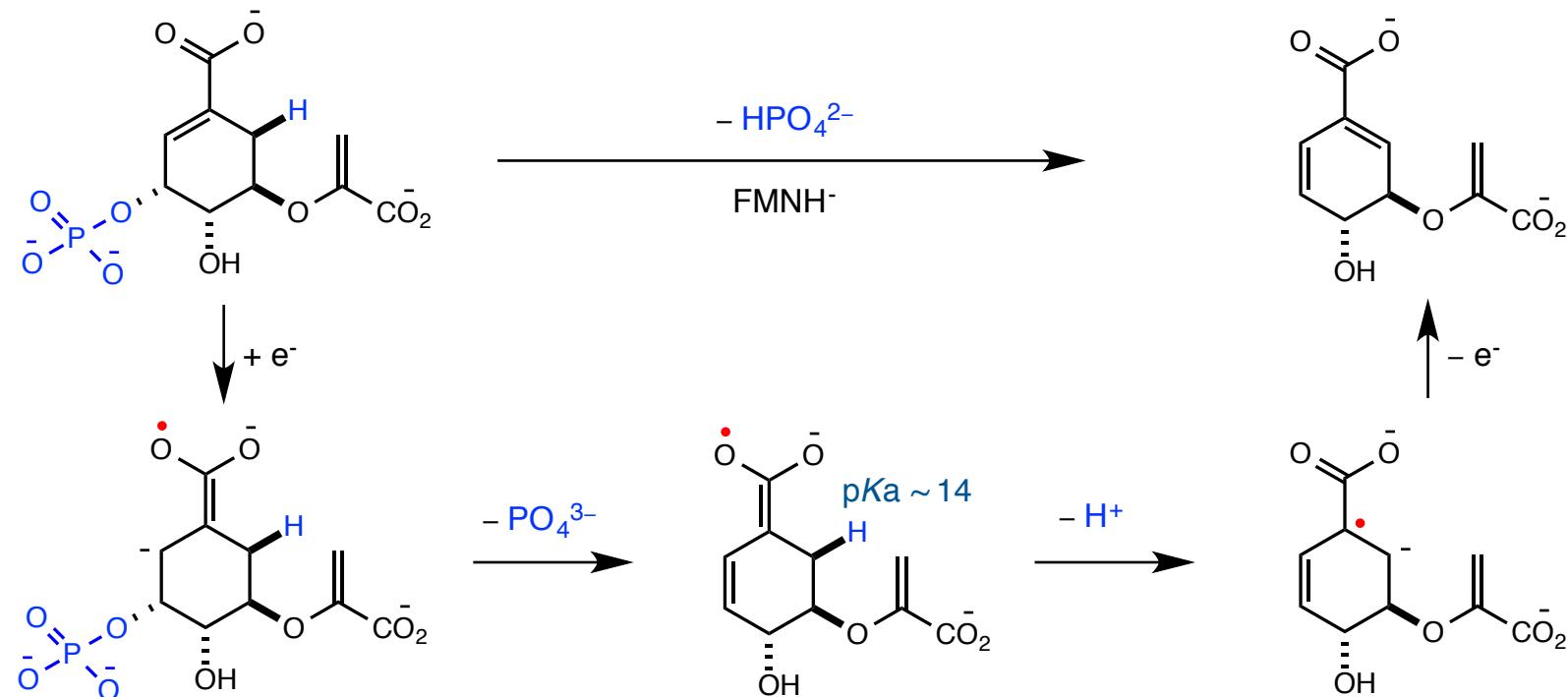


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■ Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase

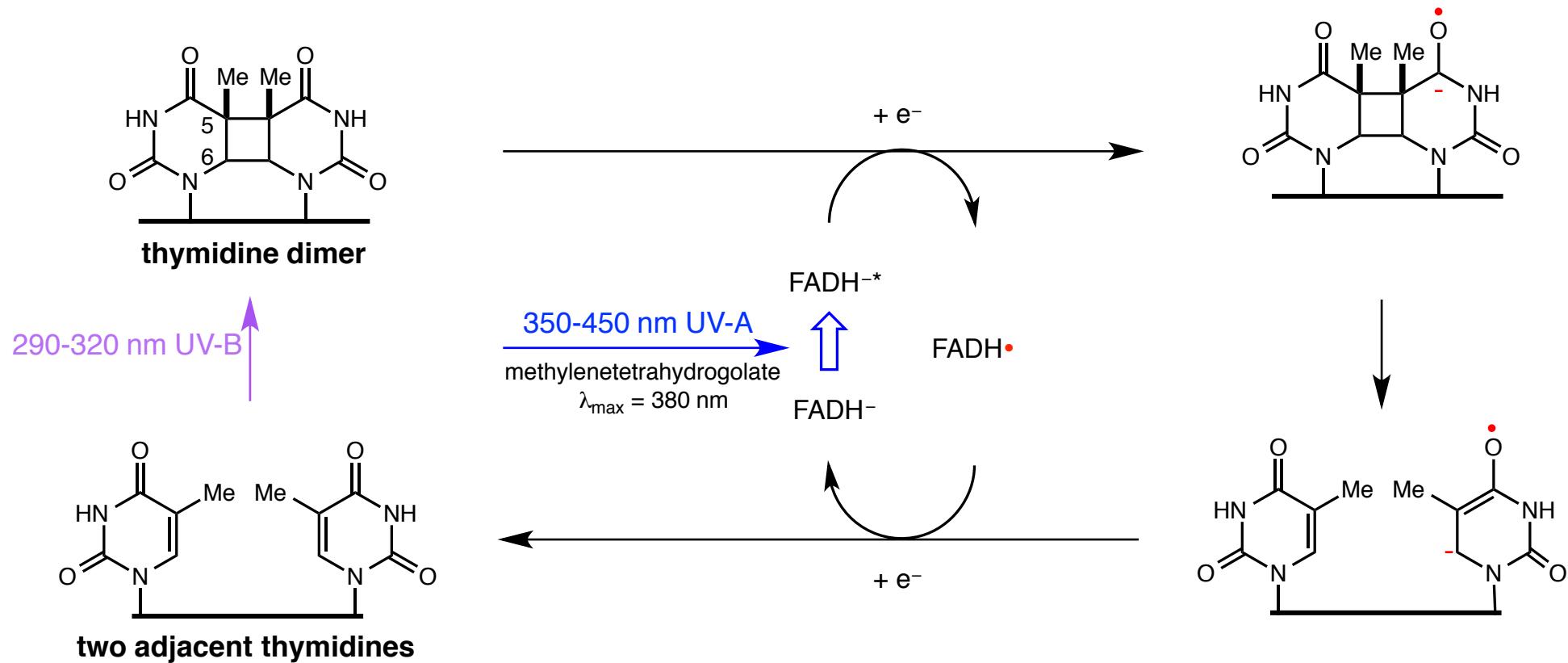


■ Chorismate Synthase



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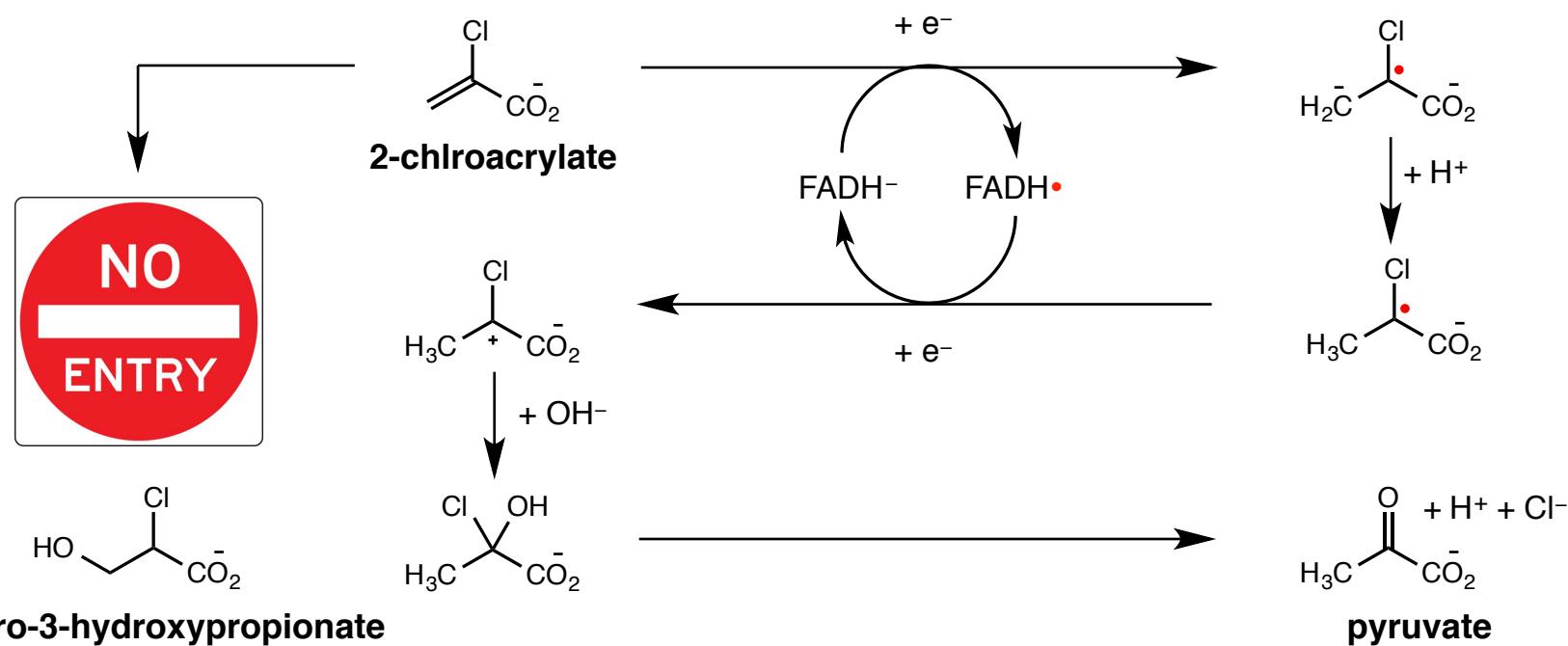
■ DNA photolyase



FADH₂-dependent Hydratase

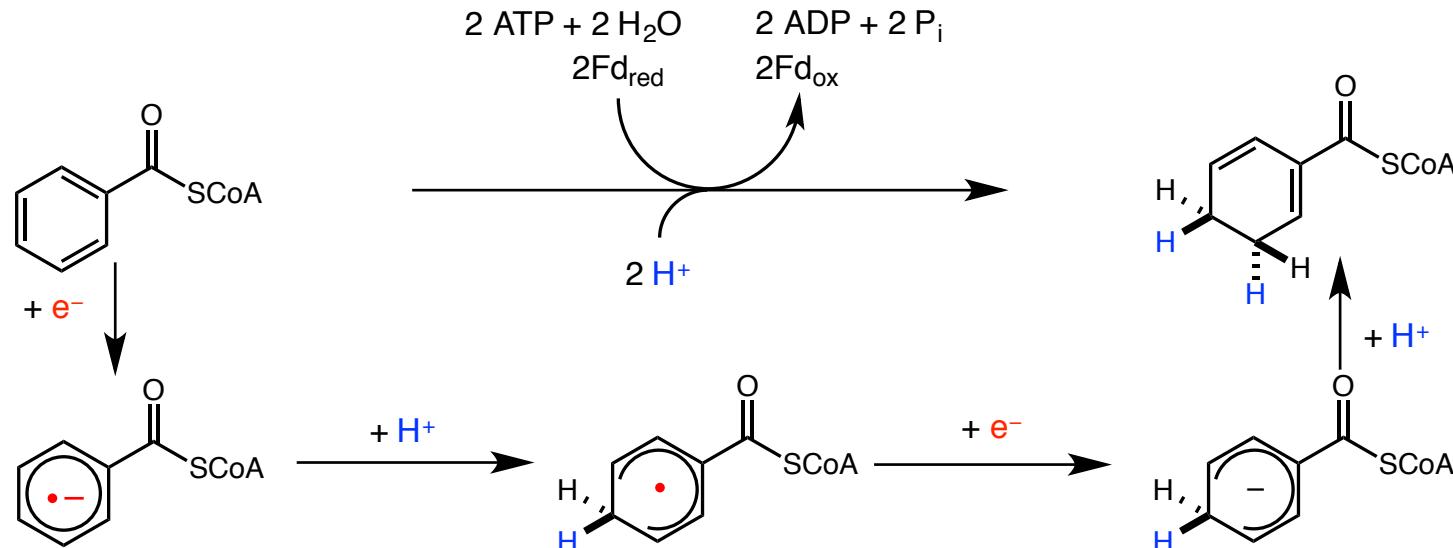
■ 2-Haloacrylate hydratase

The hydratase catalyzes the hydration of 2-chloroacrylate to pyruvate and chloride, while a simple hydration of chloroacrylate would lead to 2-chloro-3-hydroxypropionate.

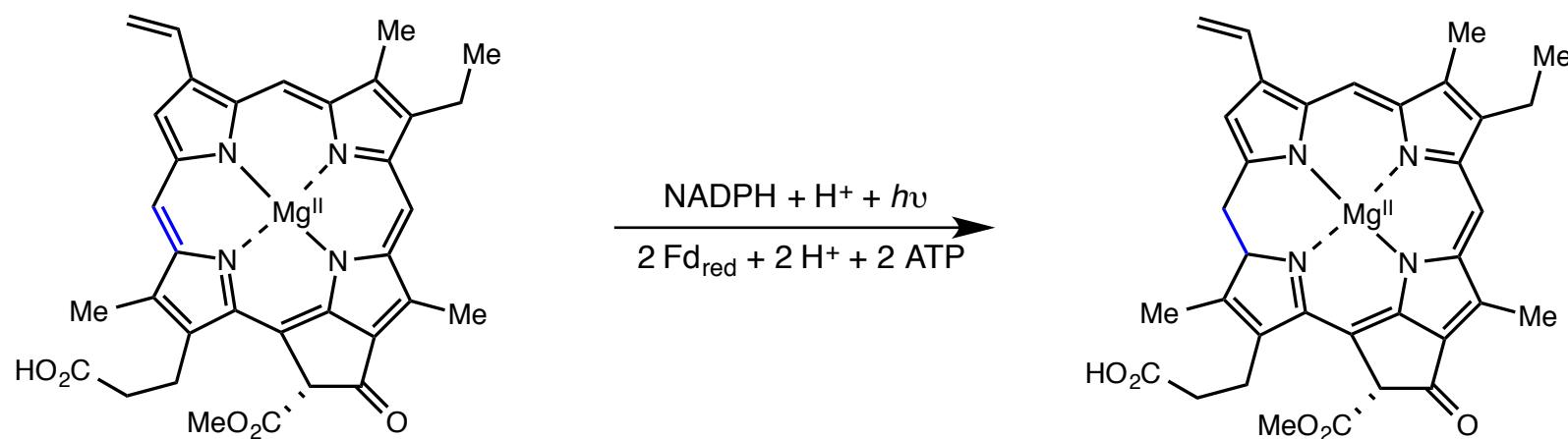


Reaction of Aromatic Compounds

■ Class I BCR



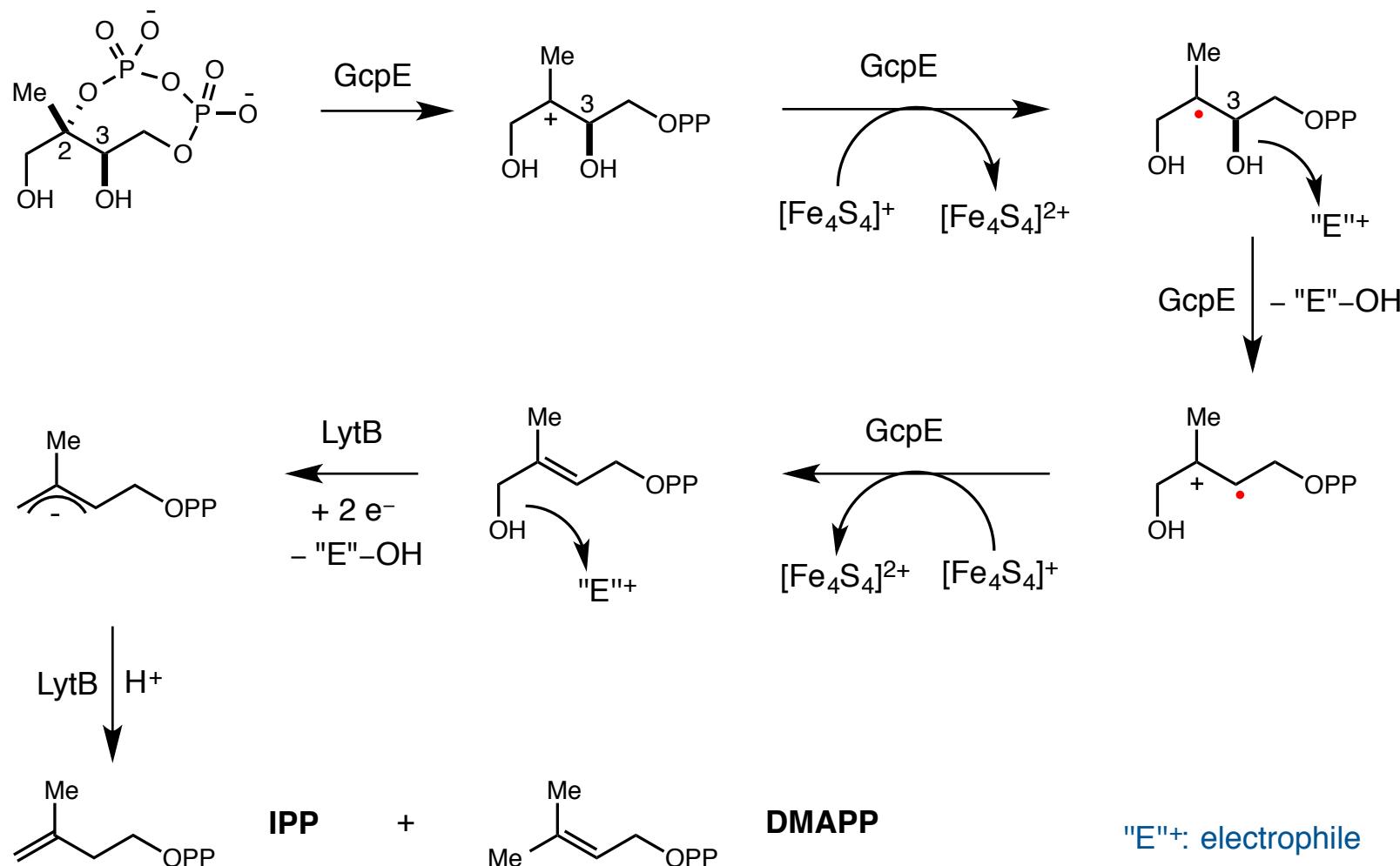
■ Protochlorophyllide reductase



Isoprenoid Biosynthesis

■ (E)-4-hydroxy-3-methylbut-2-enyl diphosphate synthase (GcpE) and reductase (LytB)

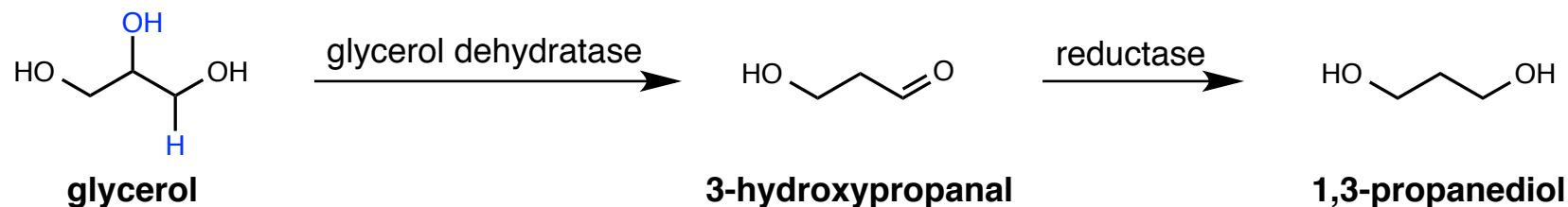
Cleavage of the cyclodiphosphate ring to a tertiary carbocation is followed by one-electron reduction to give a β -hydroxyalkyl radical that eliminates the C-3 hydroxyl group in the manner of RNR or diol dehydratase.



Biotechnological Application

■ Coenzyme B₁₂-dependent glycerol dehydratase

- The only one radical enzyme currently applied in biotechnology.
- The product 1,3-propanediol, a valuable monomer for polyesters, from which fabrics are made.
- The company Dupont advertises the fabrics as "Clothes from Corn".



From corn to polymers and fibers

