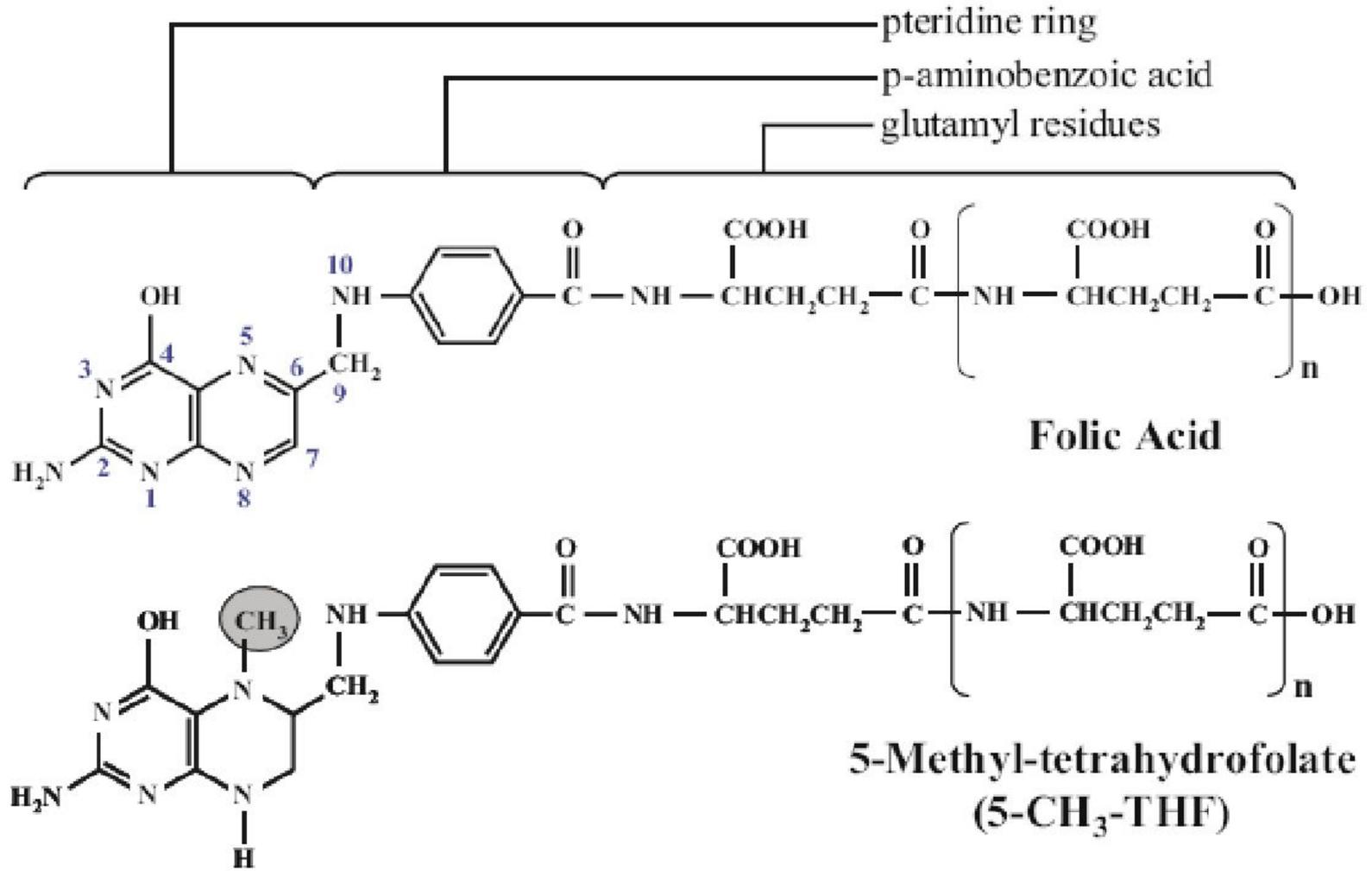


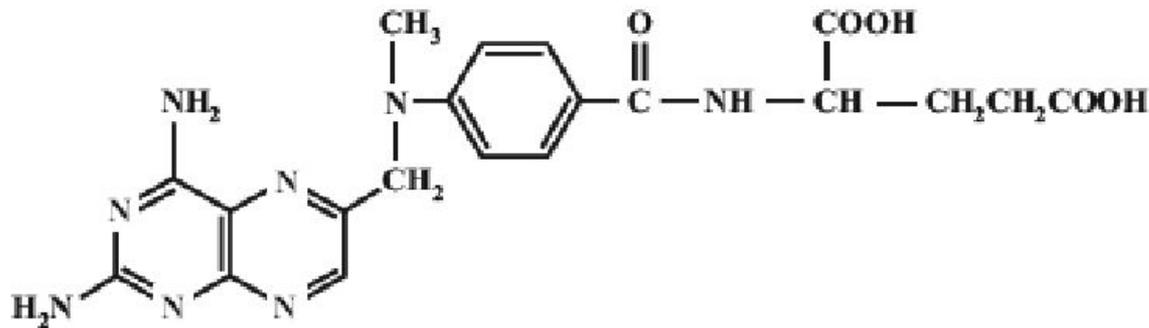
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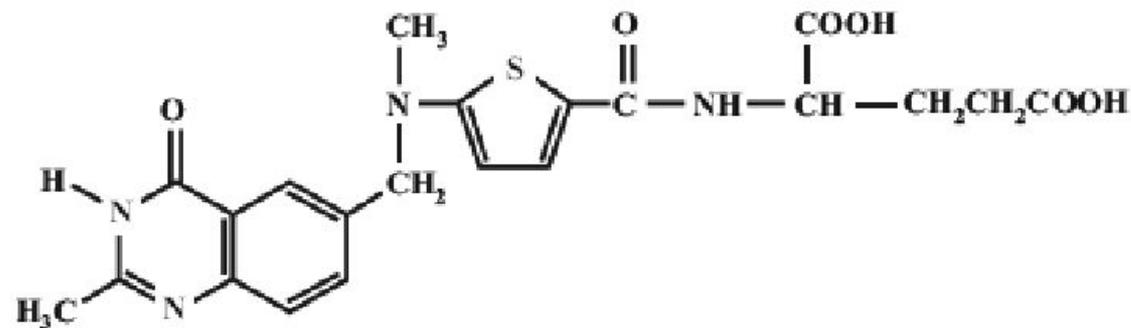


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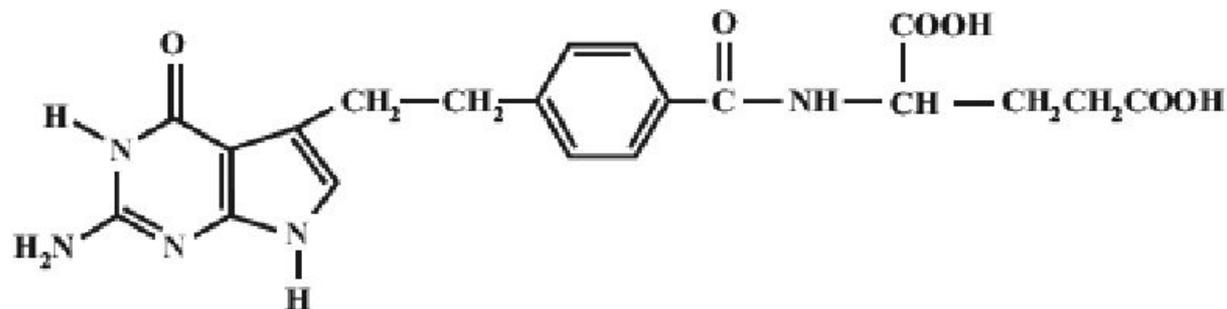
## ANTIFOLATES



Methotrexate

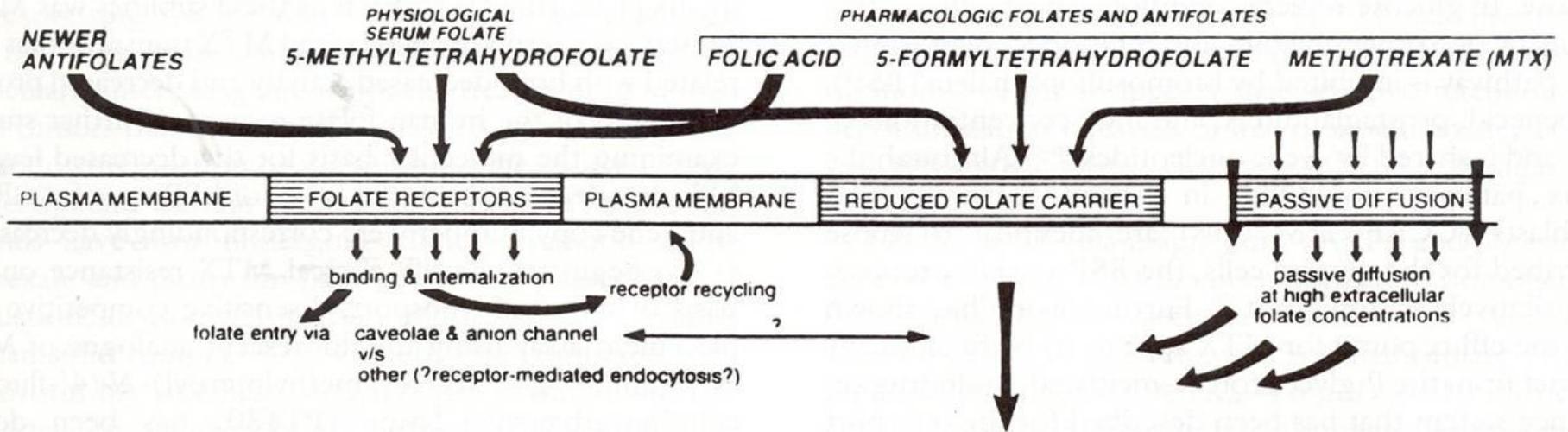


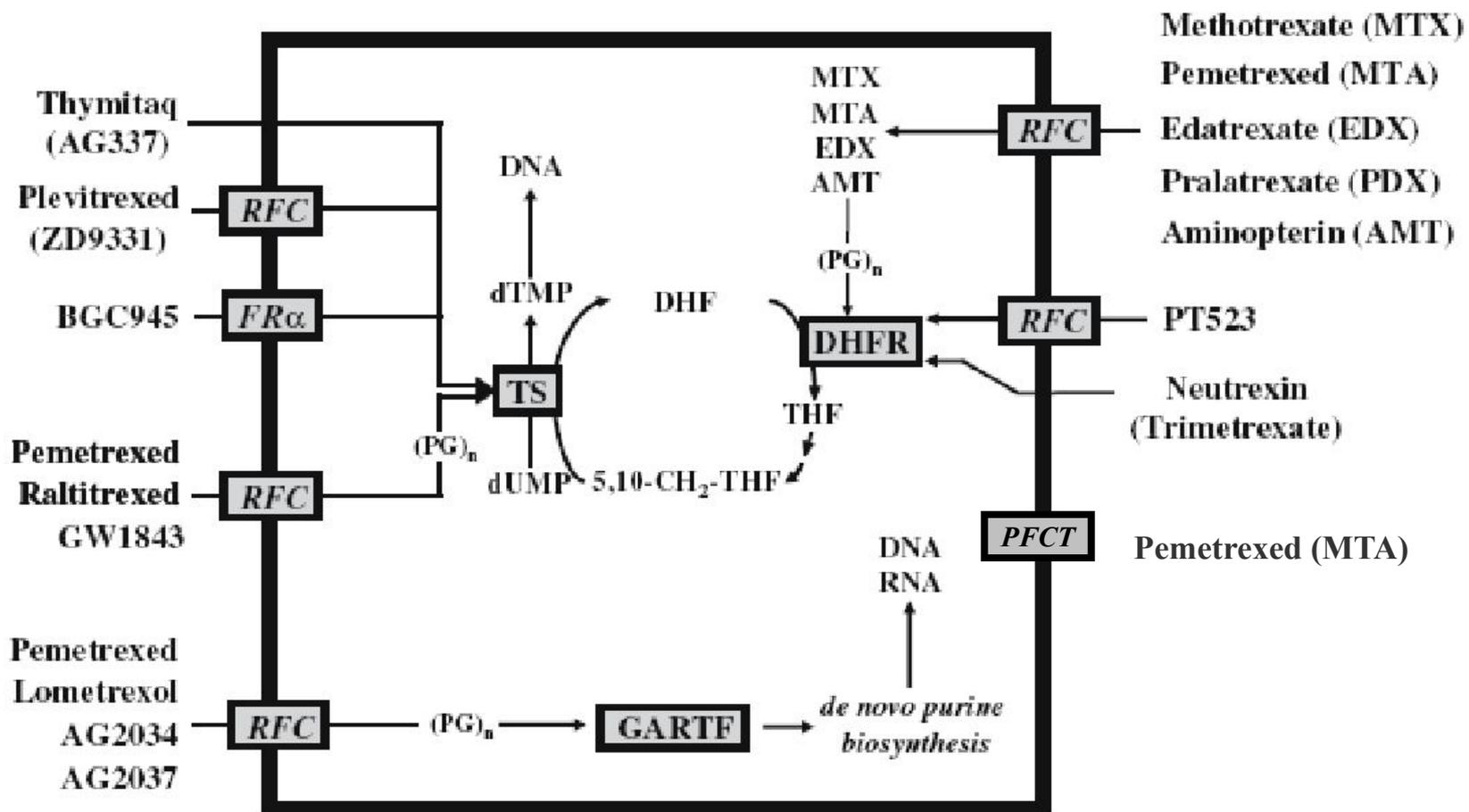
Pemetrexed

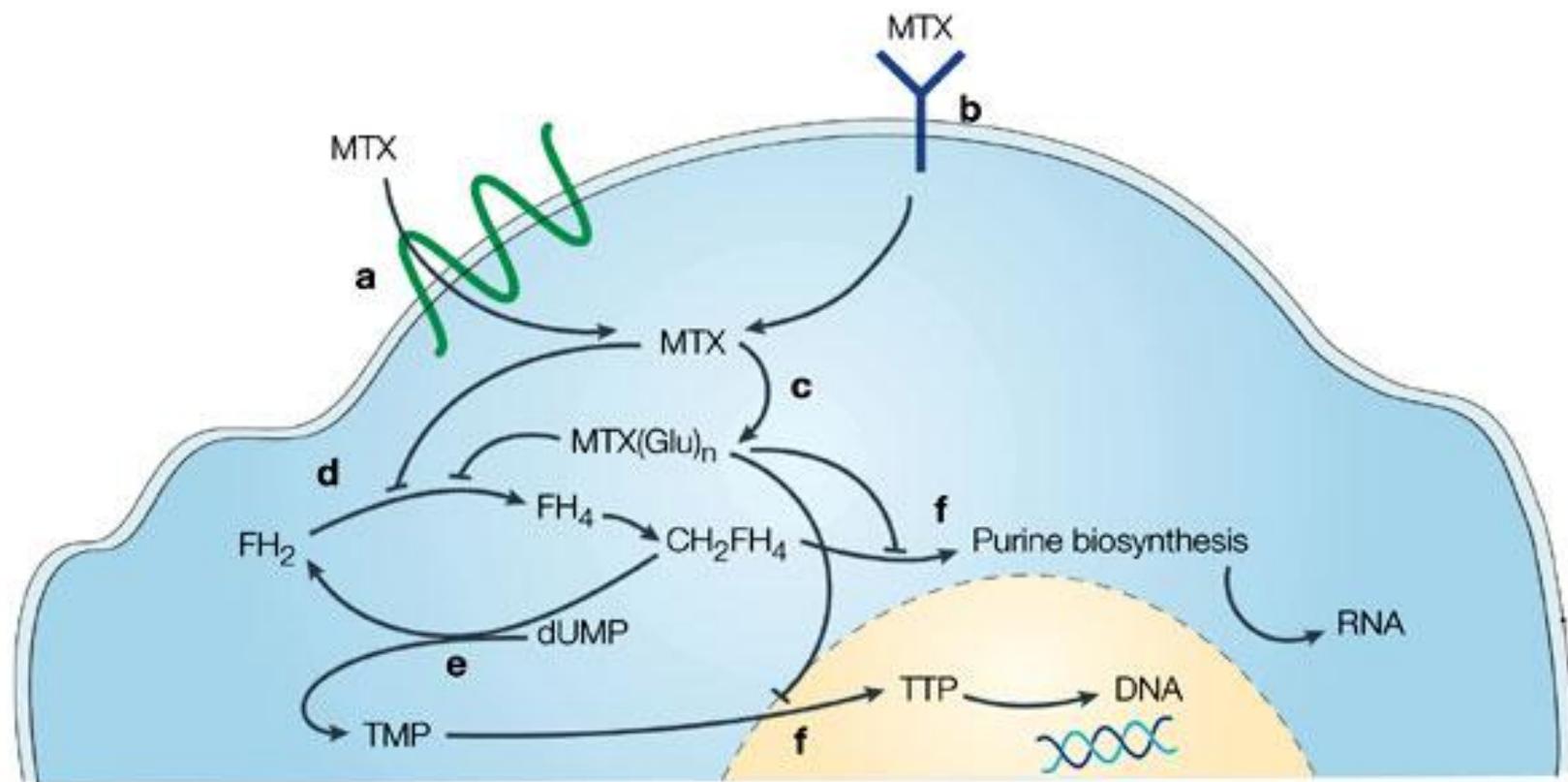


Raltitrexed

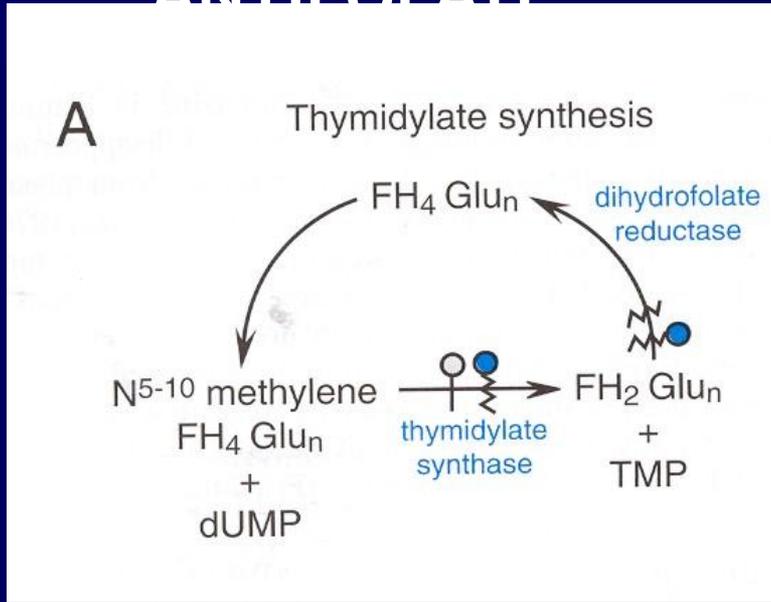
# MECCANISMI DI TRASPORTO DEI FOLATI







# MECCANISMO D'AZIONE DEGLI ANTIFOLATI



INIBISCE

MTX Diidrofolato reduttasi

Diidrofolato reduttasi

Timidilato sintetasi

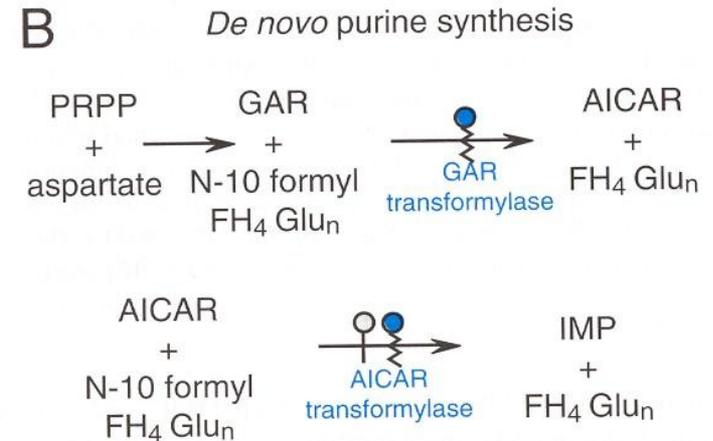
MTX( $\text{Glu}_n$ ) AICAR transformilasi

GAR transformilasi

Timidilato sintetasi

$\text{FH}_2(\text{Glu}_n)$  AICAR transformilasi

GAR transformilasi



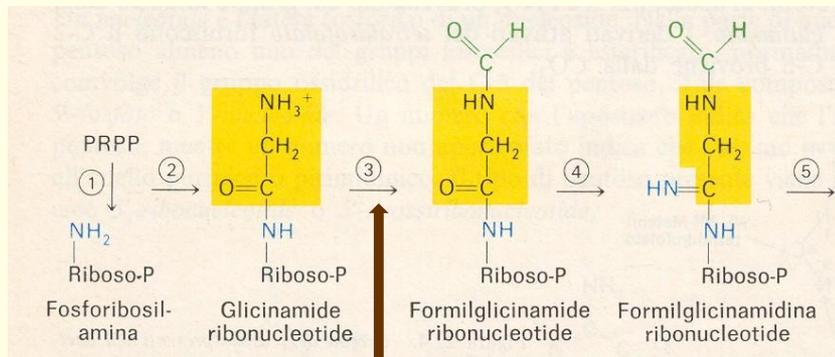
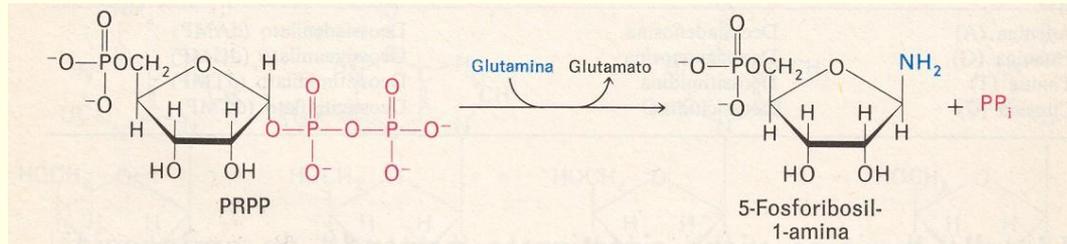
REACTION INHIBITED BY:

$\zeta$  methotrexate     $\bullet$  methotrexate  
 $\zeta$  polyglutamates     $\zeta$  polyglutamates     $\circ$   $\text{FH}_2 \text{Glu}_n$

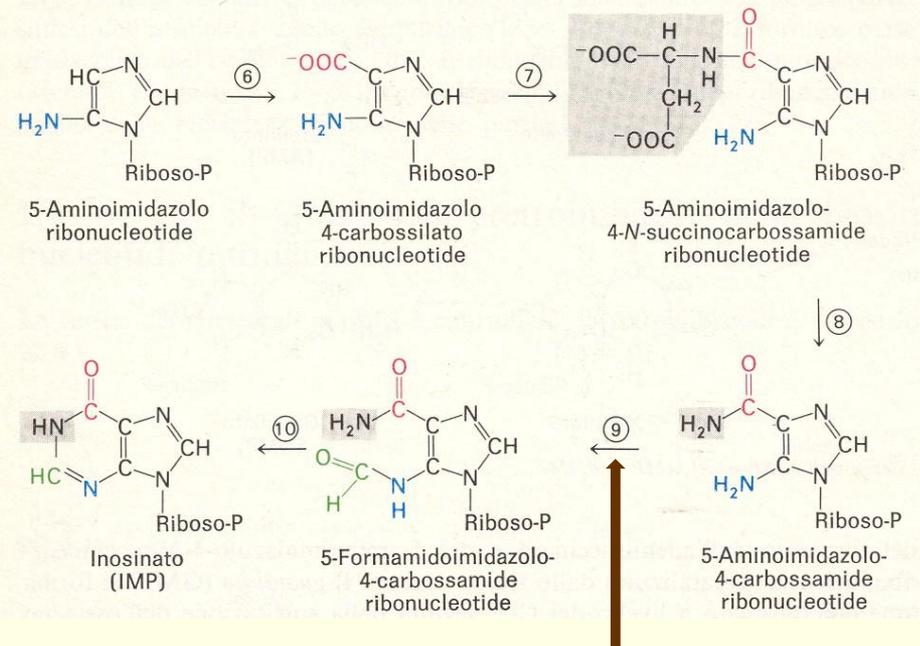
Figure 52-5. Sites of action of methotrexate and its polyglutamates.

AICAR, aminoimidazole carboxamide; TMP, thymidine monophosphate; dUMP, deoxyuridine monophosphate;  $\text{FH}_2 \text{Glu}_n$ , dihydrofolate polyglutamate;  $\text{FH}_4 \text{Glu}_n$ , tetrahydrofolate polyglutamate; GAR, glycinamide ribonucleotide; IMP, inosine monophosphate; PRPP, 5-phosphoribosyl-1-pyrophosphate.

# BIOSINTESI DELLE BASI PURINICHE



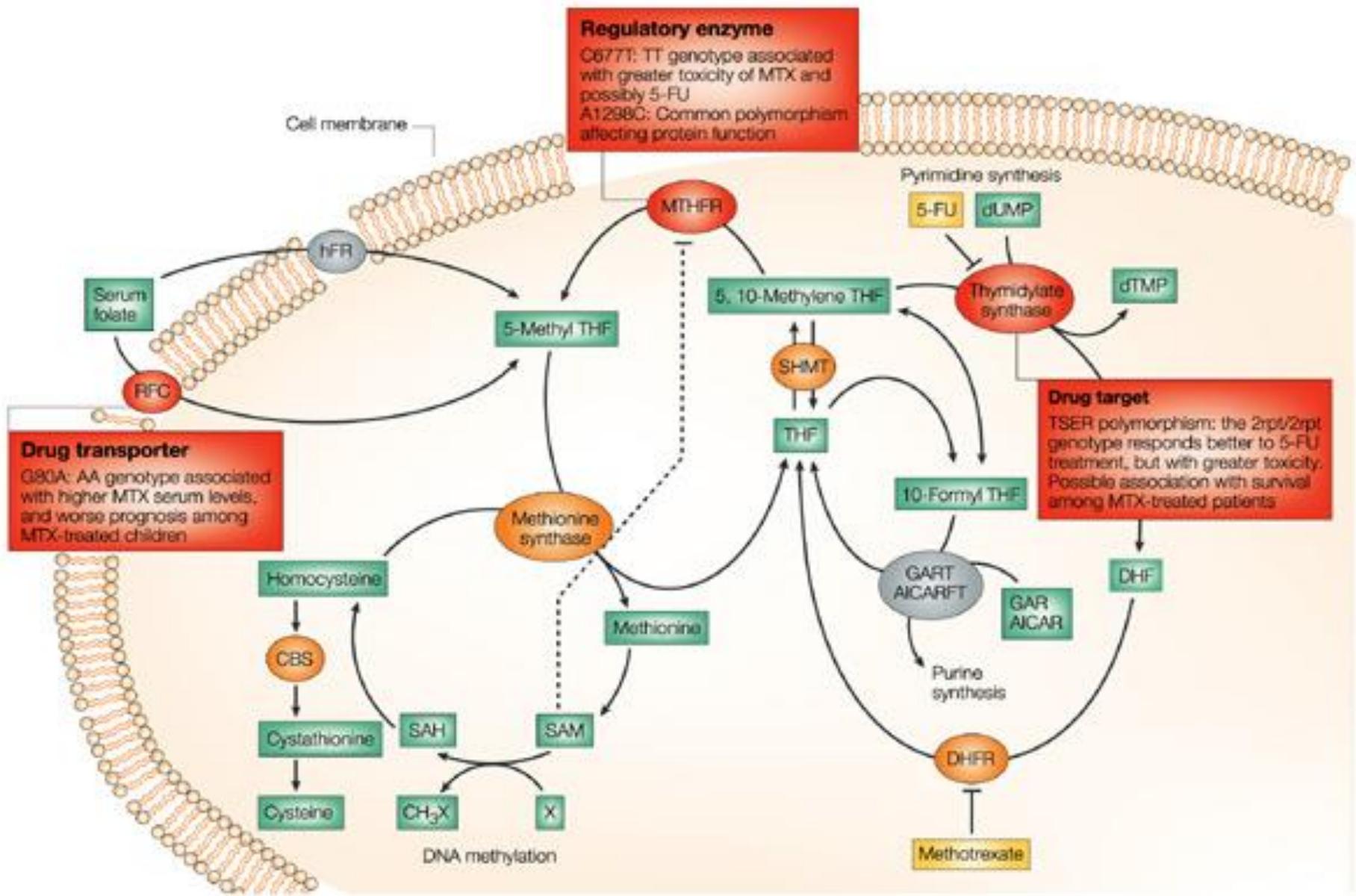
METENILTETRAIDROFOLATO



N<sup>10</sup>-FORMILTETRAIDROFOLATO

# EFFETTI COLLATERALI DEGLI ANTIFOLATI

- mielosoppressione, trombocitopenia
- polmonite
- fibrosi epatica e cirrosi
- embriotossicità



# ASPETTI FARMACOGENETICI

SNP a livello del gene che codifica per MTHFR

Diverso numero di sequenze ripetute a livello di  
TSER

SNP a livello del gene che codifica per RCF

# MECCANISMI DI RESISTENZA AGLI ANTI-FOLATI

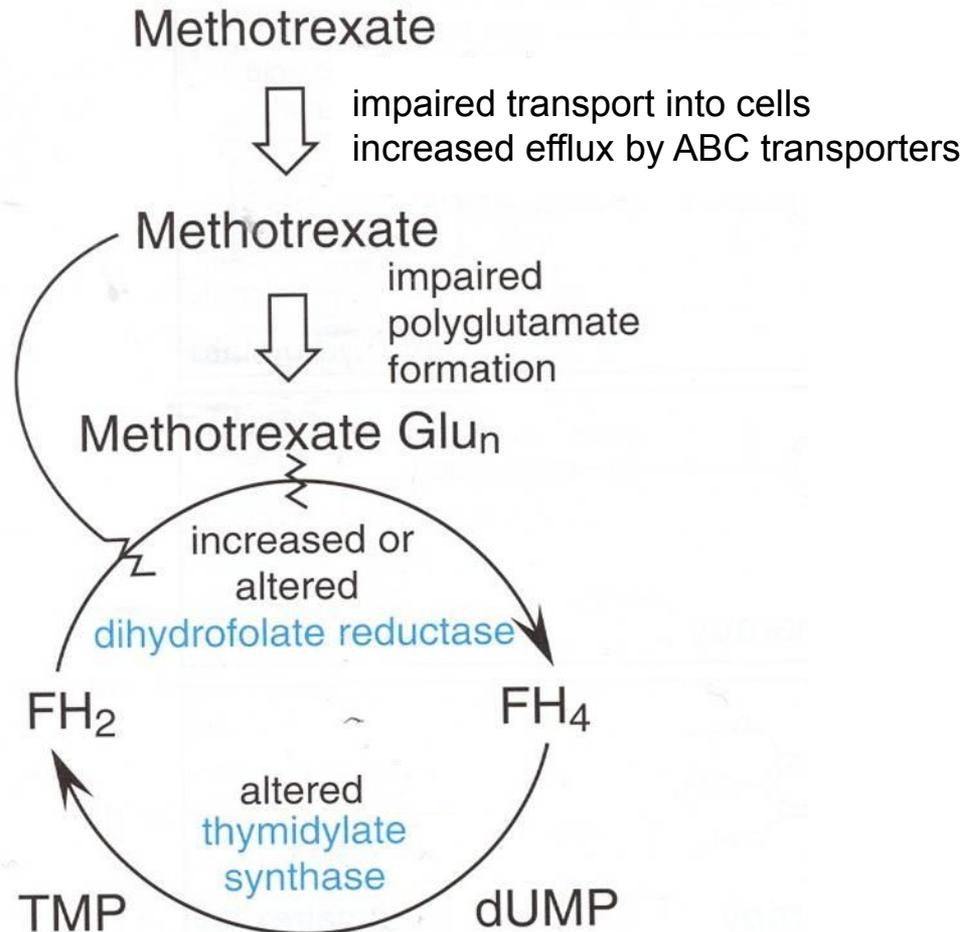
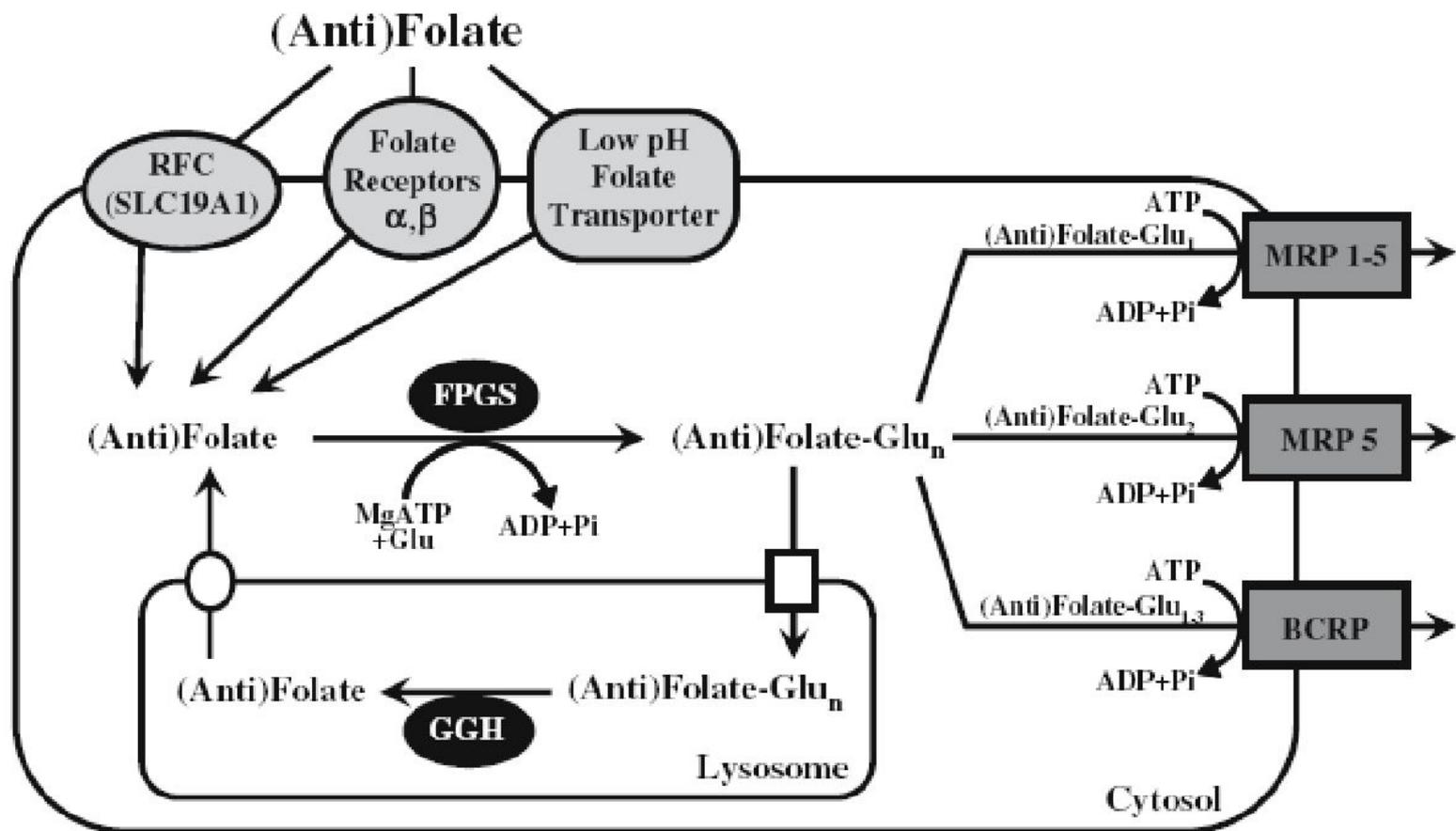


Figure 52-7. Mechanisms of tumor cell resistance to methotrexate.

TMP, thymidine monophosphate; dUMP, deoxyuridine monophosphate; FH<sub>2</sub>, dihydrofolate; FH<sub>4</sub>, tetrahydrofolate; Glu<sub>n</sub>, polyglutamate.



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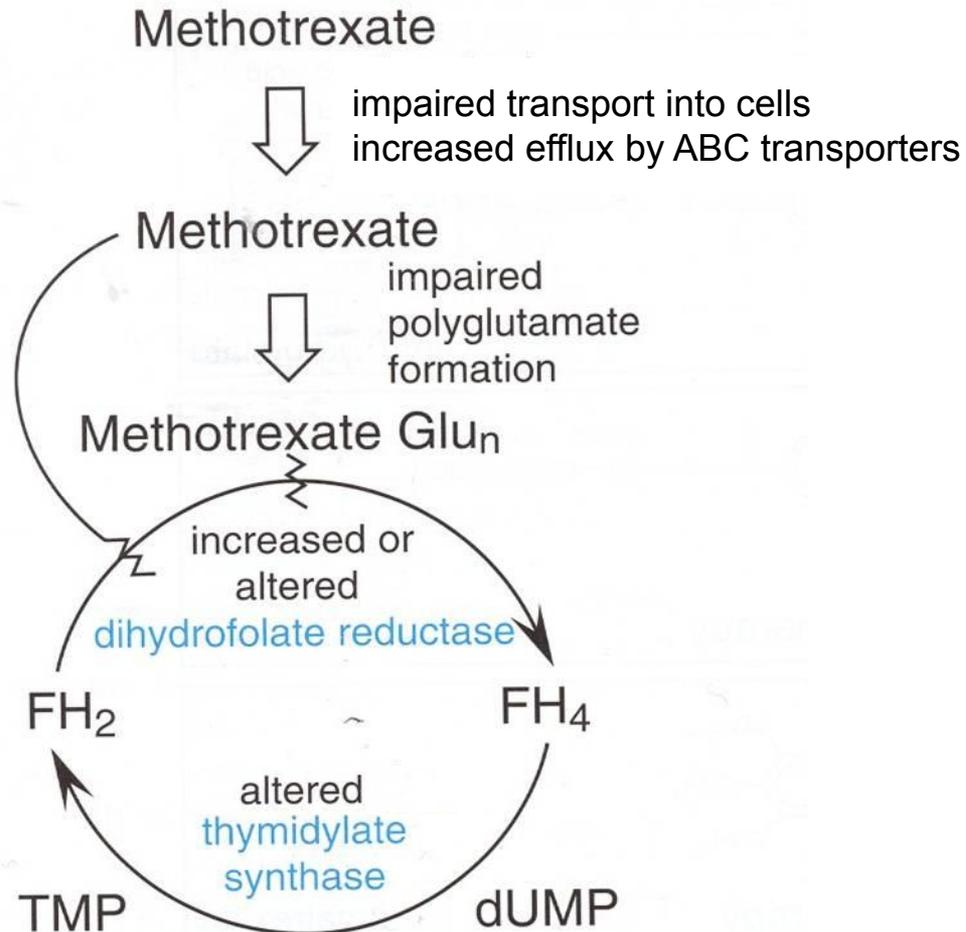
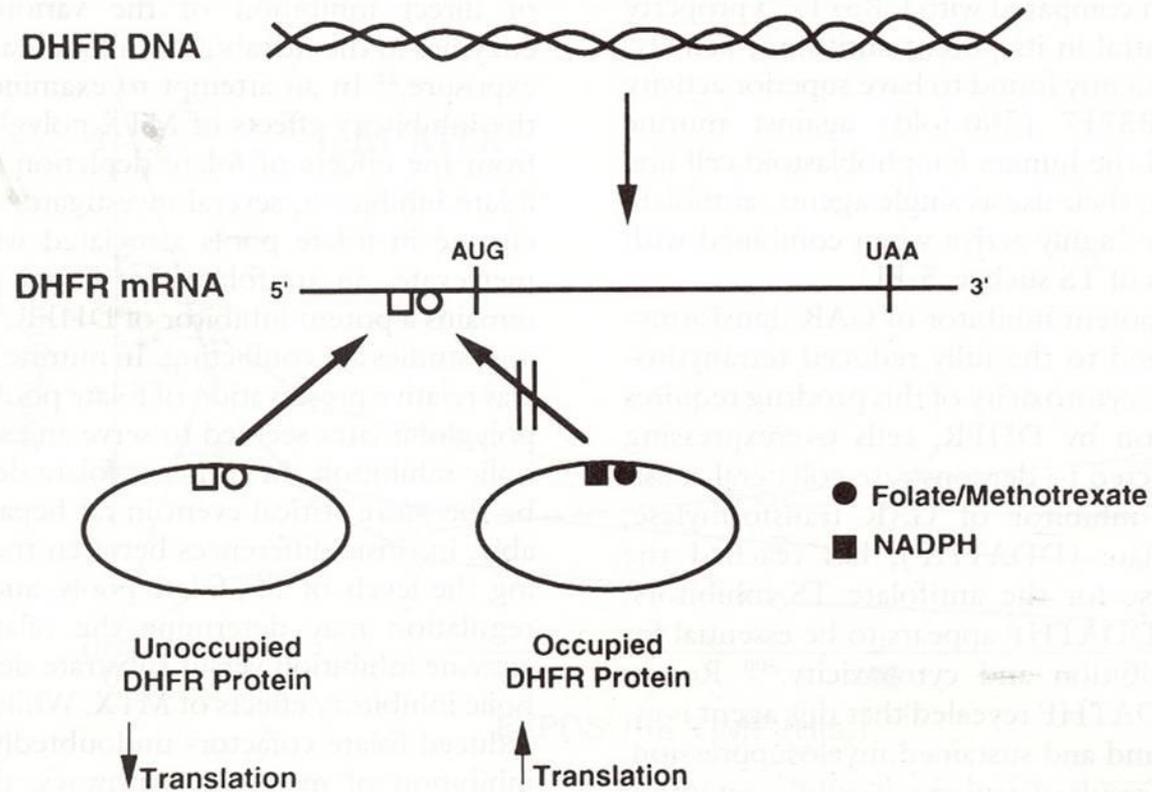


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Figure 6-6. Proposed model for autoregulatory control of DHFR mRNA translation by DHFR protein.



# MECCANISMI DI RESISTENZA AGLI ANTI-FOLATI

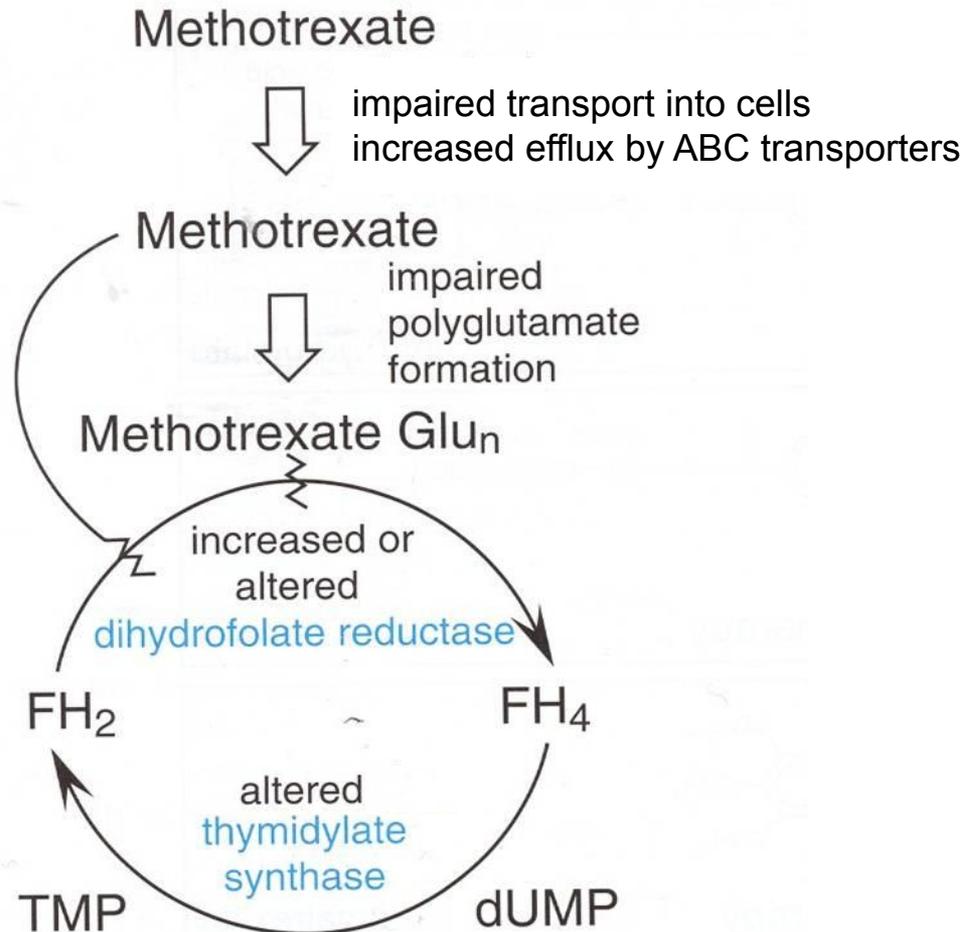
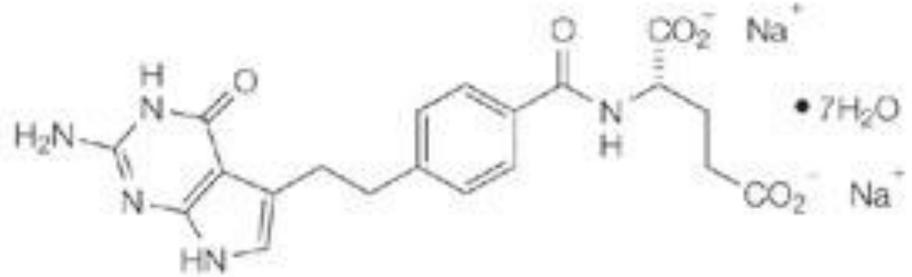
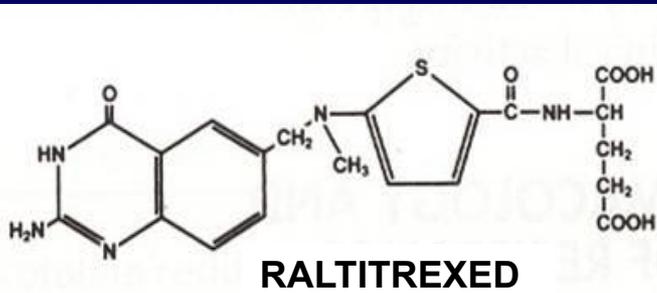


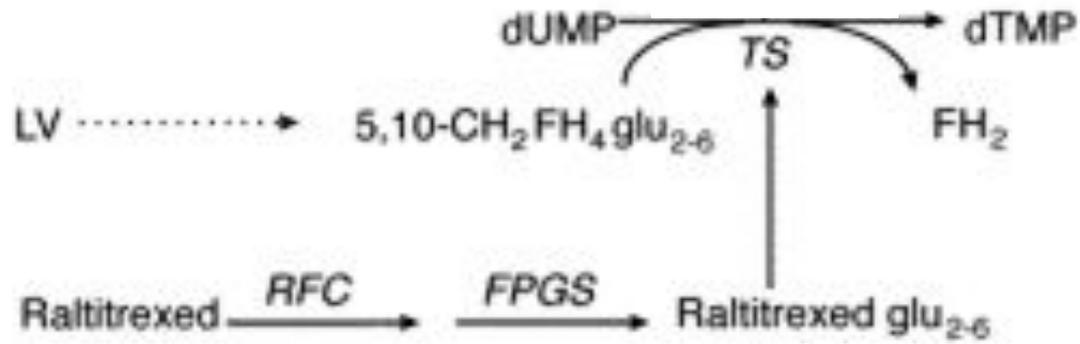
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# NUOVI ANTIFOLATI



**Pemetrexed disodium heptahydrate**

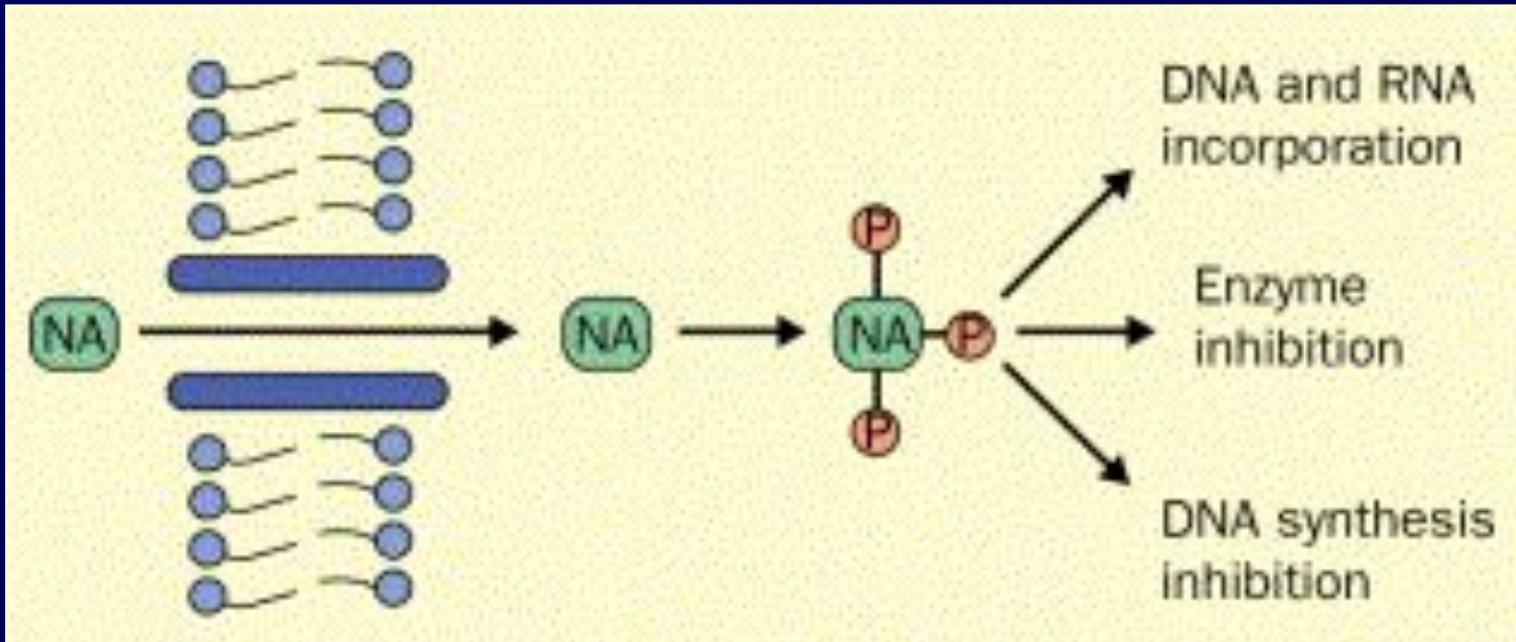


ANALOGHI DELLE NUCLEOBASI

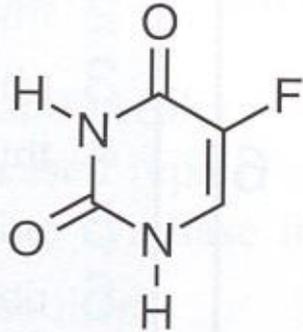
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DEI NUCLEOSIDI

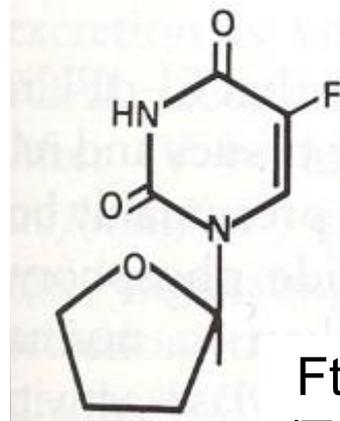
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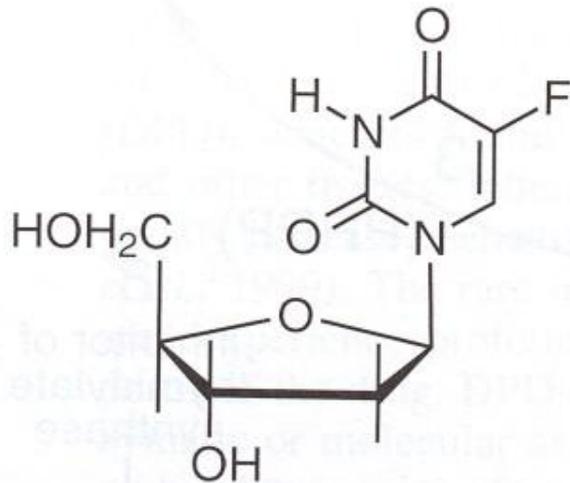
# FLUOROPYRIMIDINE



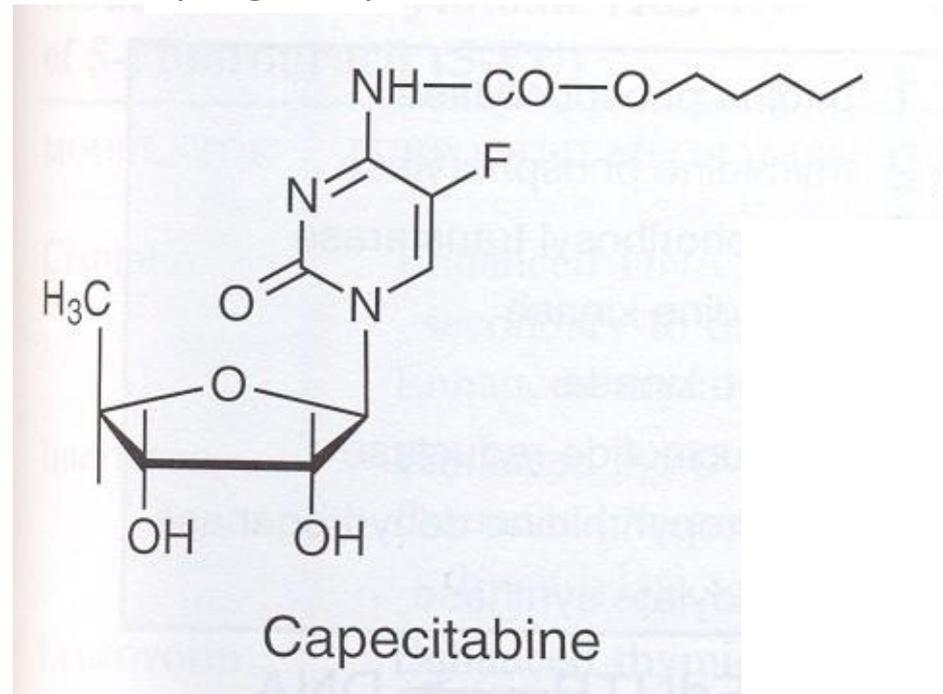
5-Fluorouracil



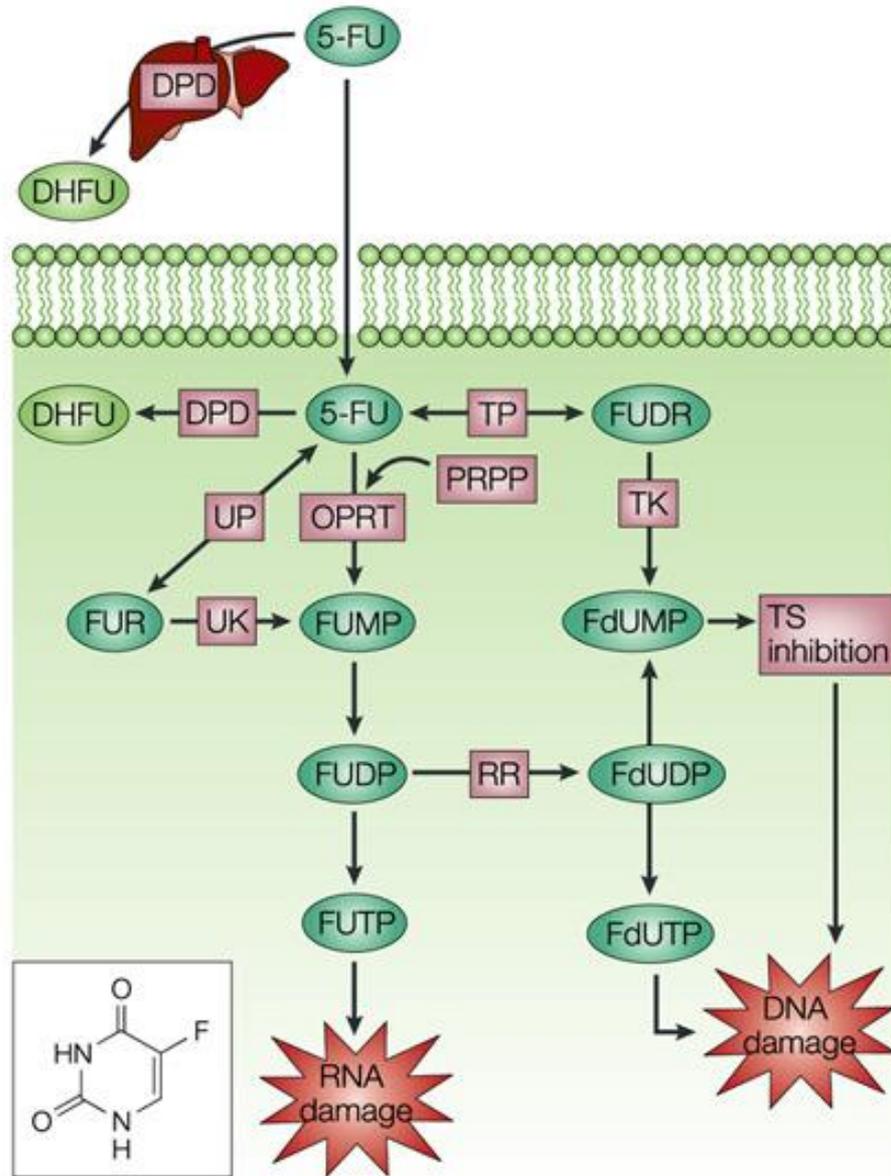
Ftorafur  
(Tegafur)



5-Fluorodeoxyuridine  
(floxuridine)

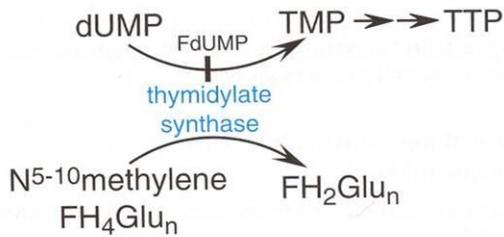


Capecitabine



# MECCANISMI D'AZIONE DEL 5-FLUOROURACILE

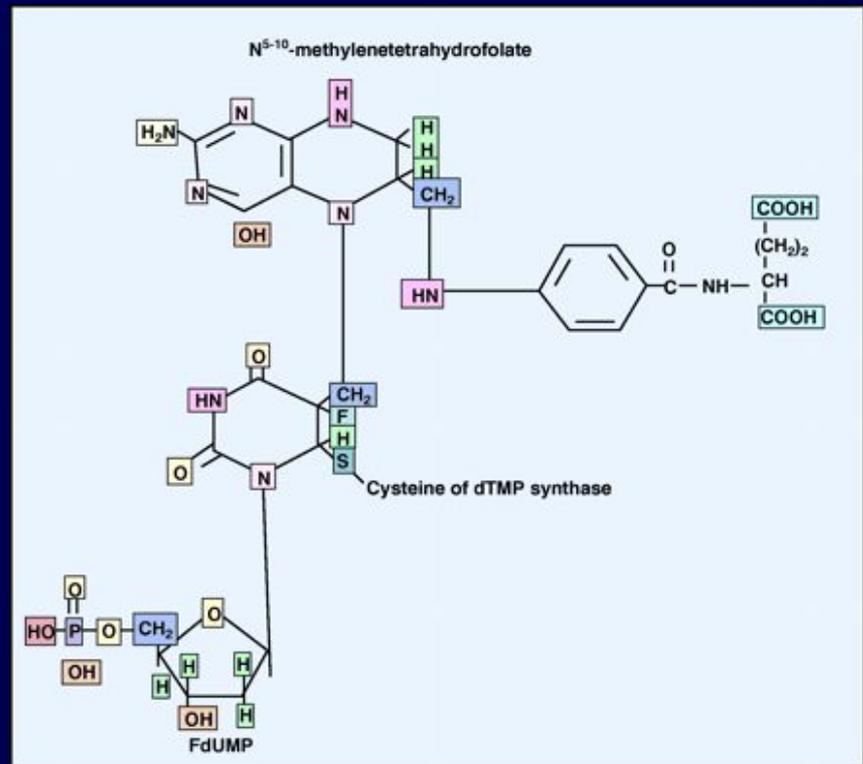
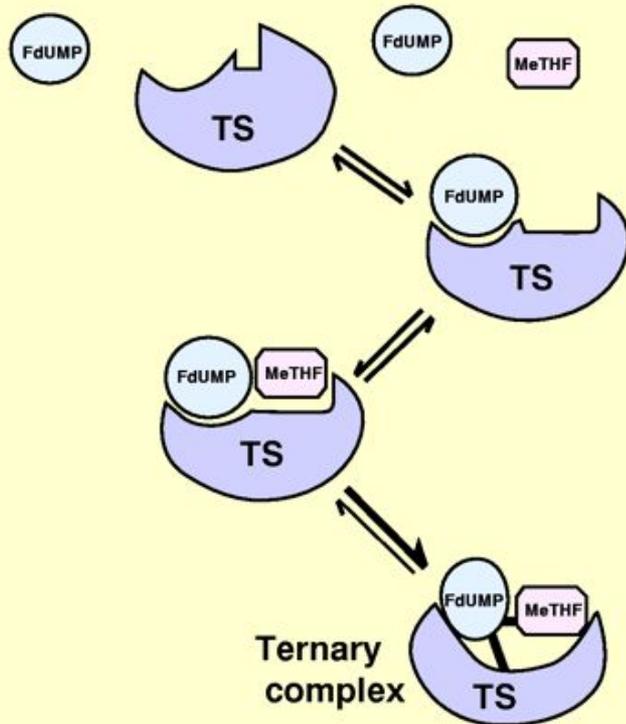
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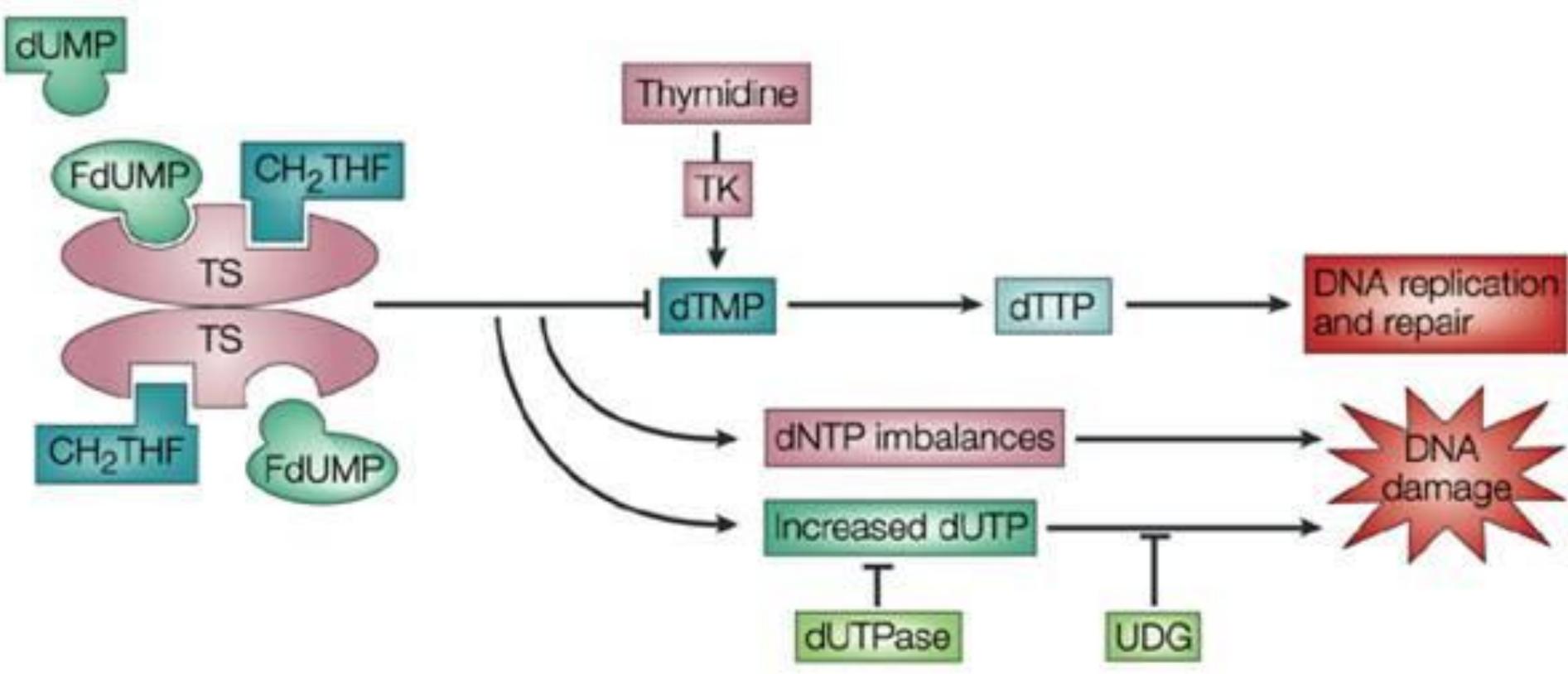
- Inhibition of RNA processing
- Incorporation into DNA

# MECCANISMI D'AZIONE DEL 5-FLUOROURACILE



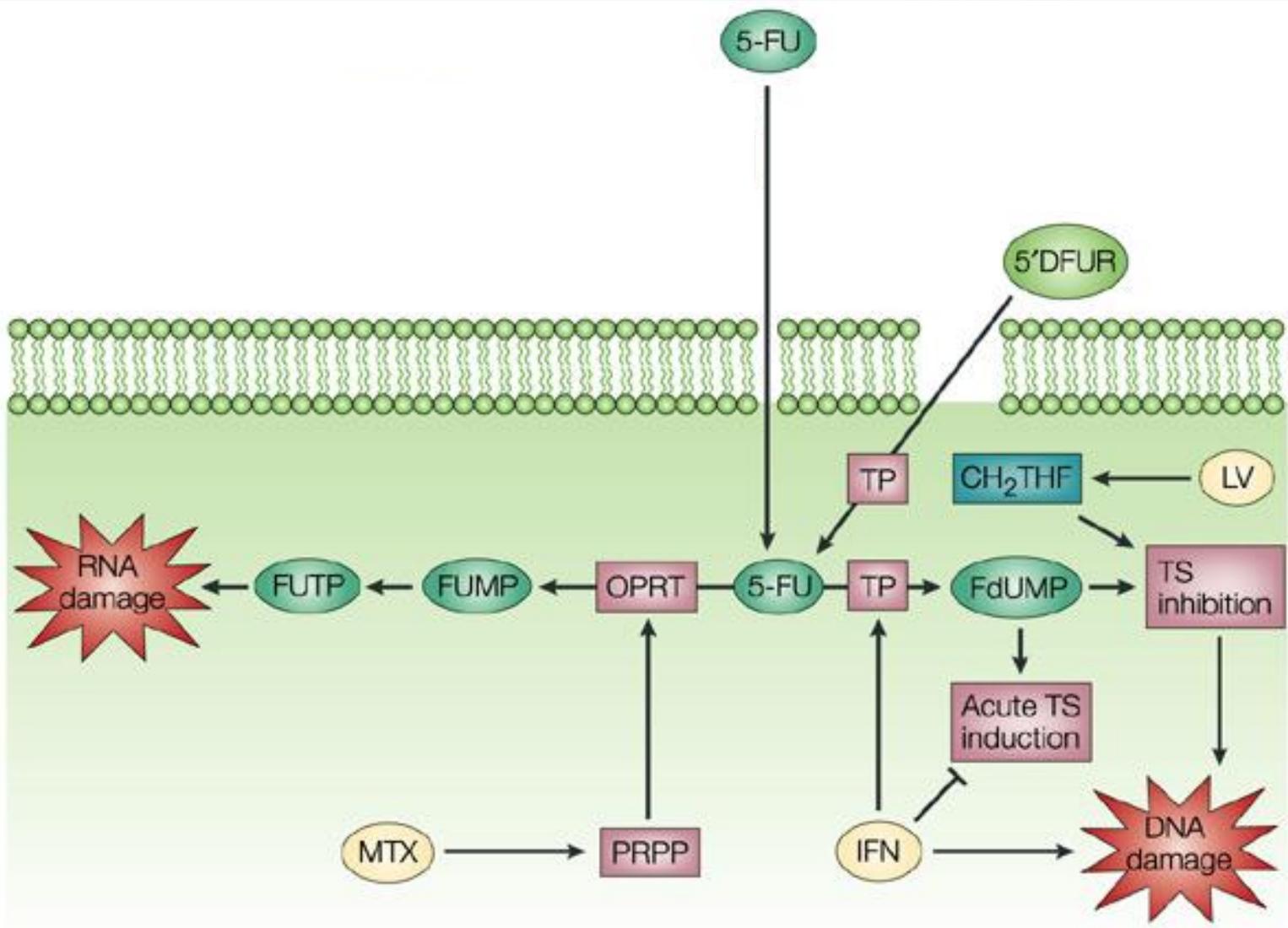
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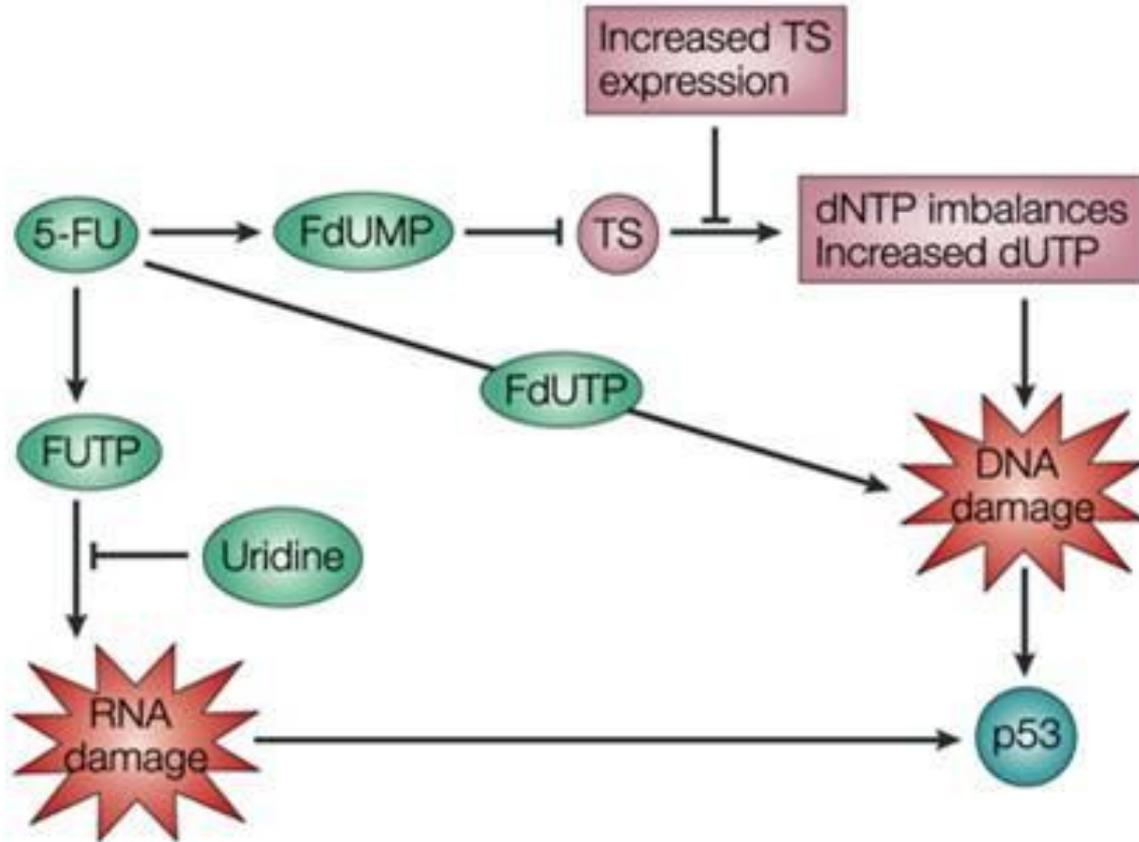
- 1) Inibizione della timidilato sintasi
- 2) Incorporazione di FUTP nel RNA



# MECCANISMI D'AZIONE DEL 5-FLUOROURACILE

- 1) Inibizione della timidilato sintasi
- 2) Incorporazione di FUTP nel RNA
- 3) Incorporazione di FdUTP nel DNA





# EFFETTI TOSSICI DEL 5FU

- EFFETTI GI: anoressia e nausea; stomatite e diarrea
- MIELOSOPPRESSIONE
- MANIFESTAZIONI NEUROLOGICHE
- TOSSICITÀ CARDIACA
- MANIFESTAZIONI CUTANEE

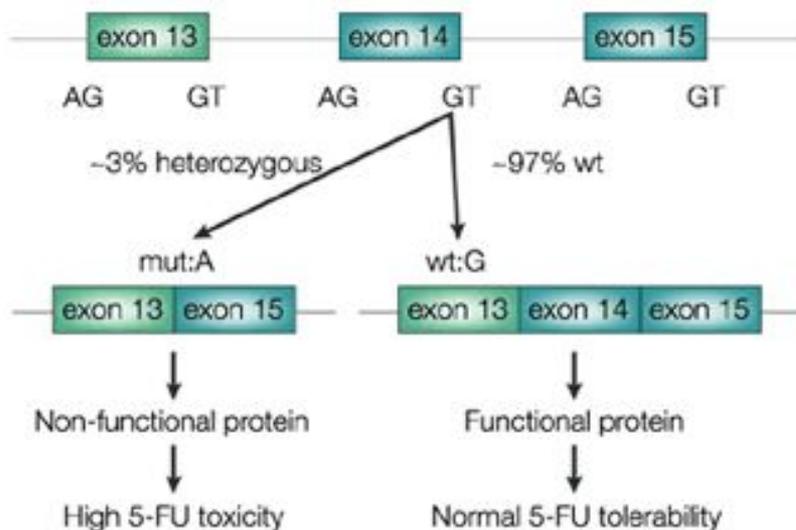
# HAND-FOOT SYNDROME



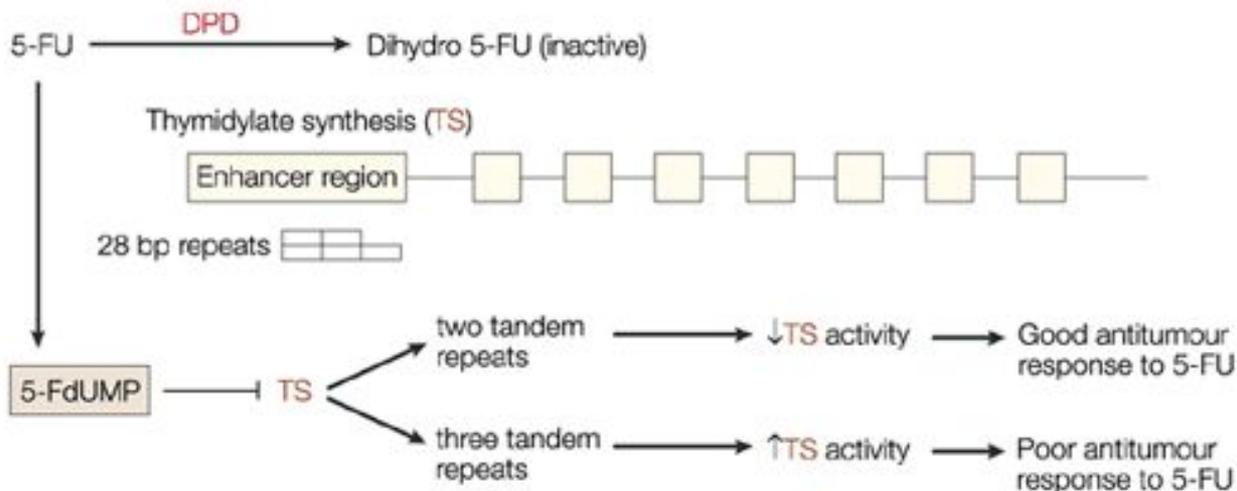
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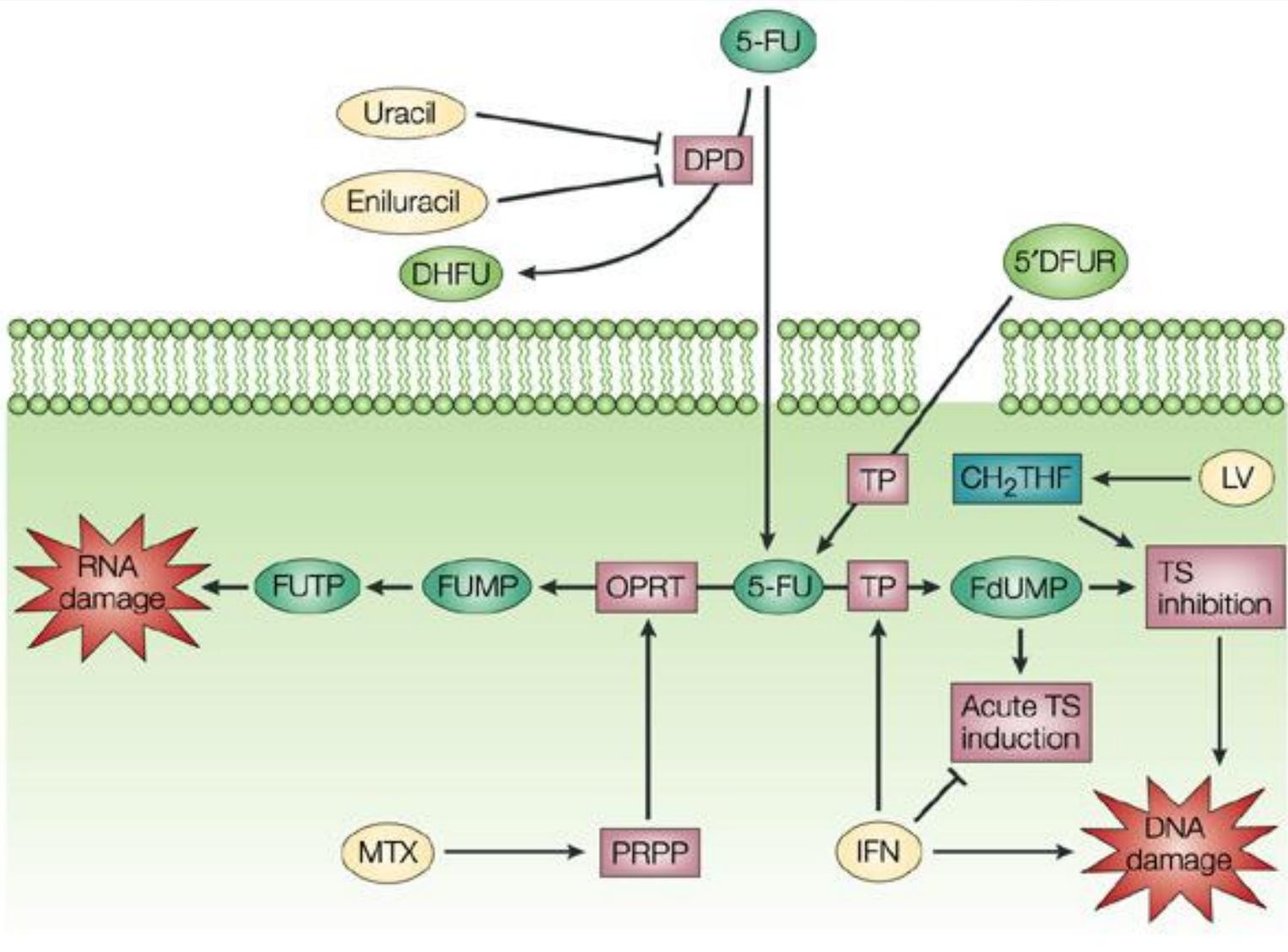
- PERDITA O ↓ ATTIVITÀ DEGLI ENZIMI ATTIVATORI
- ↓ PIRIMIDINA MONOFOSFATO CHINASI
- ↑ LIVELLI DELL'ENZIMA DEGRADATIVO DPD
- PRODUZIONE DI FORME ALTERATE DI TS

**a** DPD — Dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase



**b** Tumour



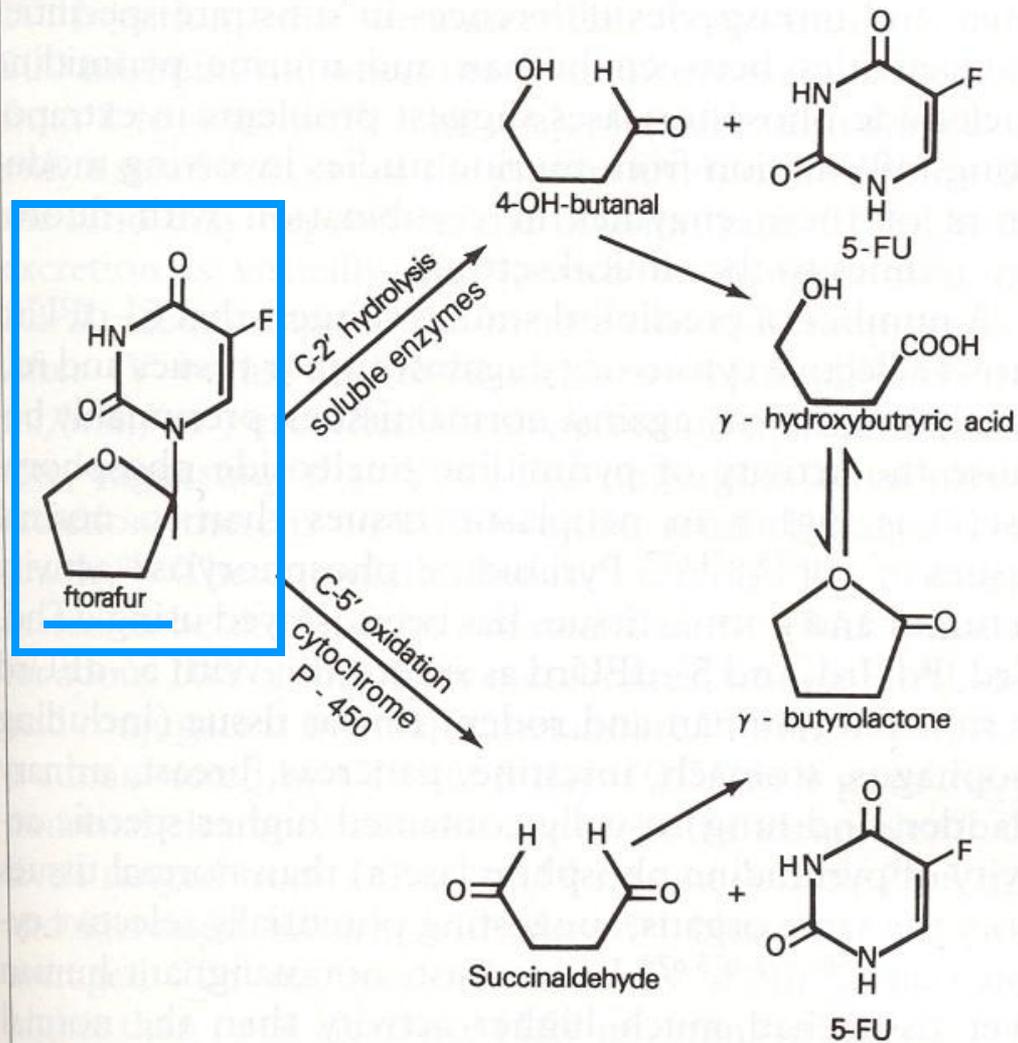


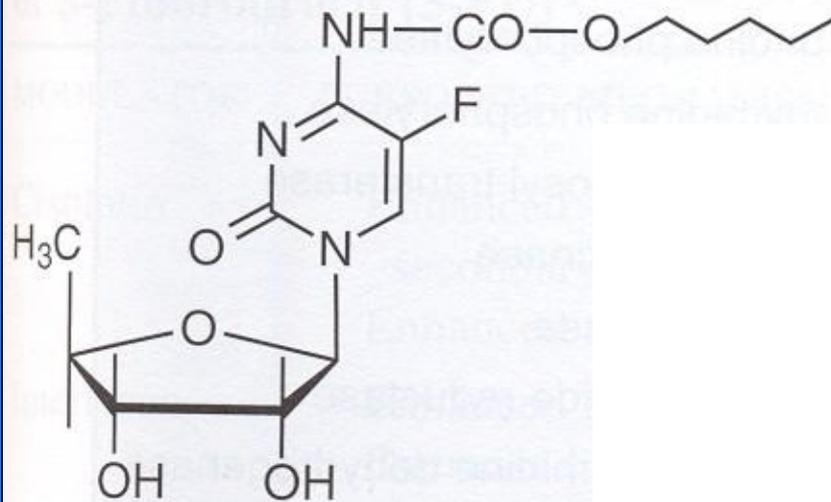
# TRATTAMENTI COMBINATI CONTENENTI FLUOROPIRIMIDINE

**UFT:** ftorafur (profarmaco del 5FU)  
uracile (inibitore della DPD)

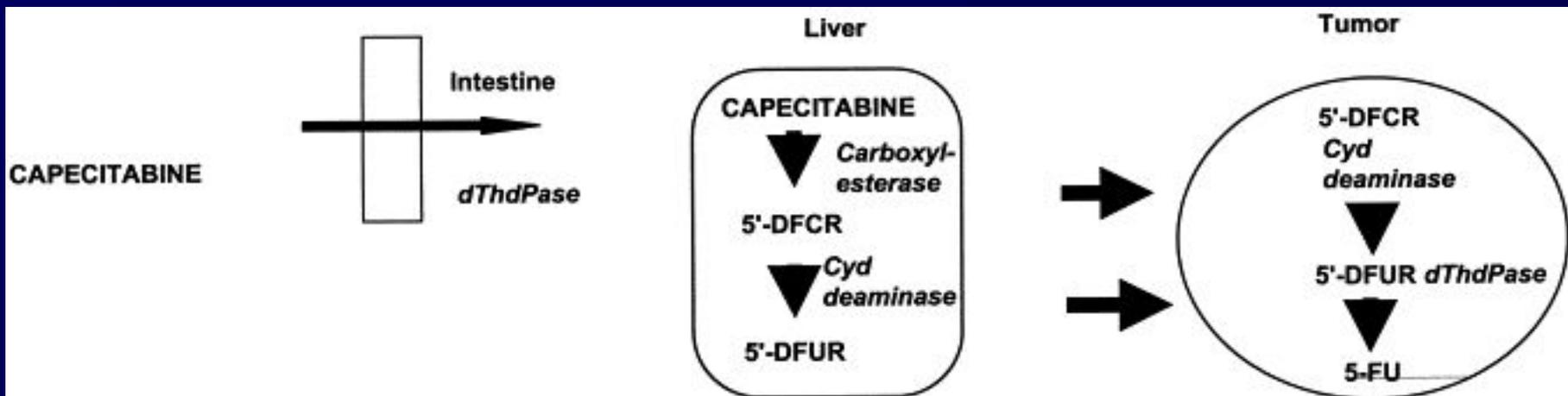
**S1:** ftorafur (profarmaco del 5FU)  
5-cloro-2,4-diidrossipiridina (inibitore della DPD)  
potassio oxonato (inibitore della fosforibosil-  
pirofosfato transferasi, riduce i sintomi  
intestinali)

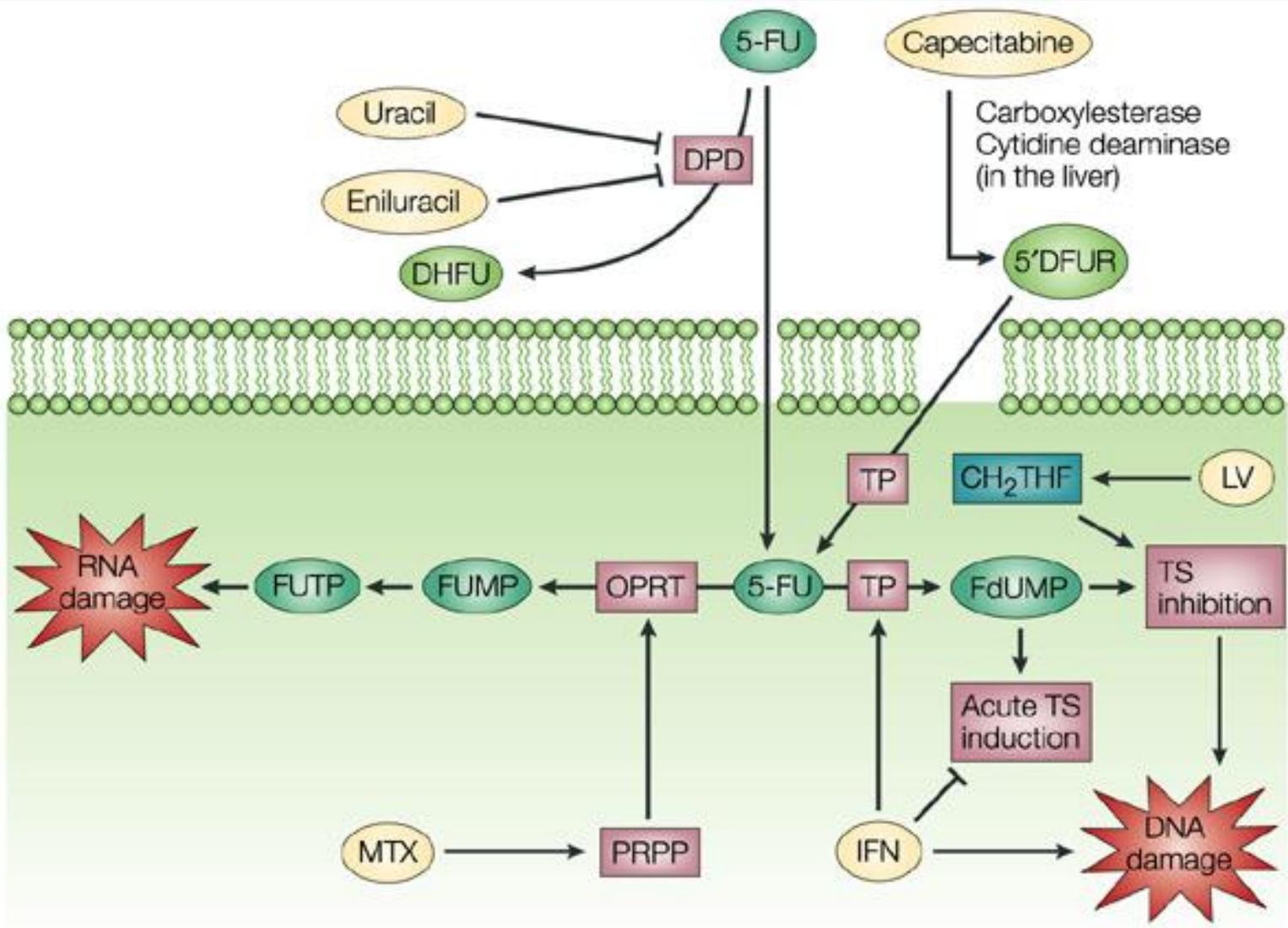
Figure 7-18. Metabolism of ftorafur.



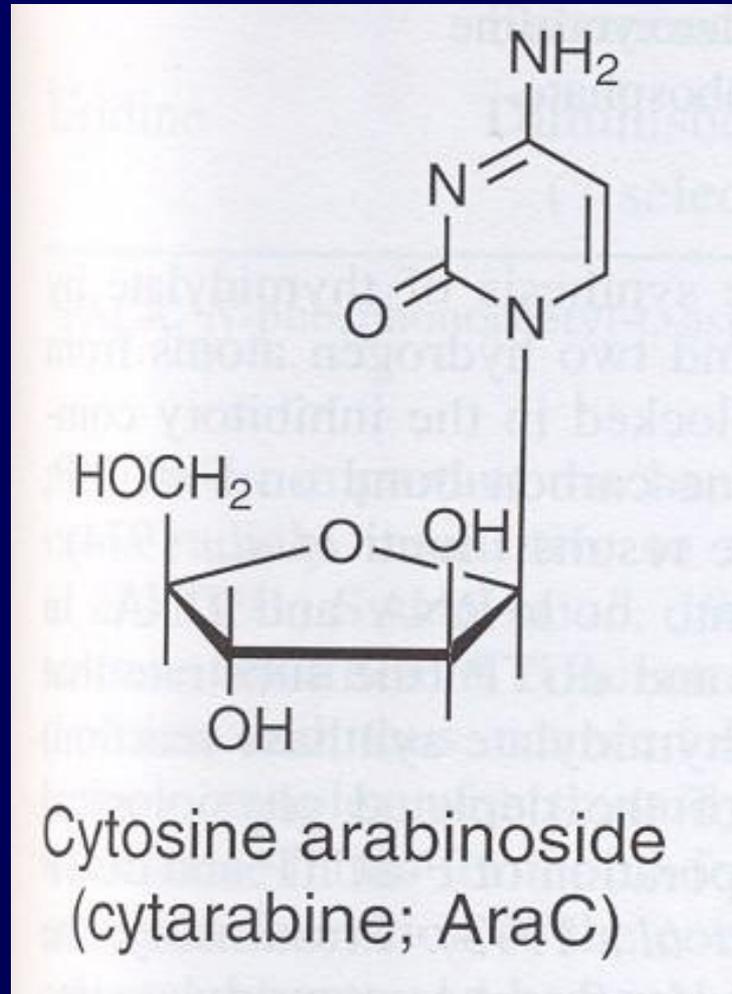


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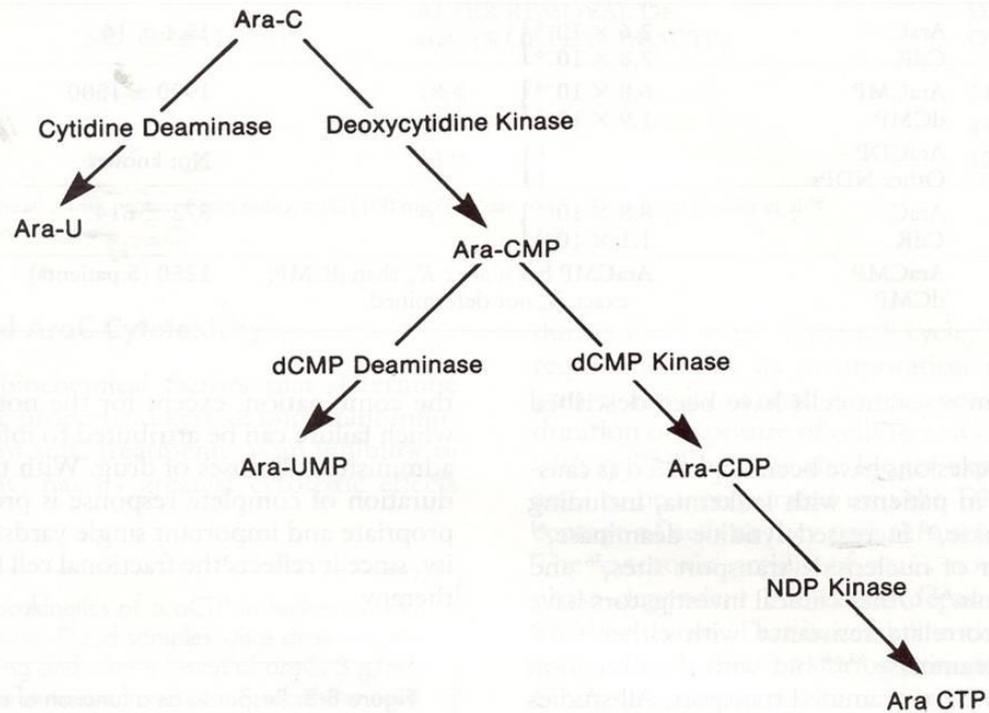


# ANALOGHI DELLA CITOSINA



# PATHWAYS PER L'ATTIVAZIONE/DEGRADAZIONE DI AraC

**Figure 8-4.** Metabolism of arabinosyl cytosine by tumor cells. The conversion of araUMP to a triphosphate has not been demonstrated in mammalian cells. d = deoxyribose; MP = monophosphate; DP = diphosphate; TP = triphosphate; NDP = nucleoside diphosphate.



## MECCANISMO D'AZIONE di AraC

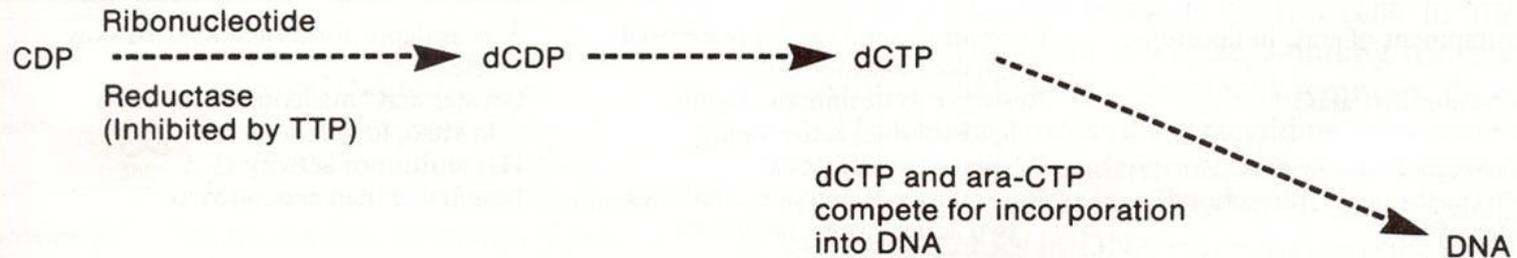
- competizione con dCTP per l'incorporazione nel DNA
- inibizione della DNA polimerasi:
  - blocco dell'allungamento della catena di DNA
  - blocco della sintesi riparativa di DNA
- ripetizione di segmenti di DNA
  - aumentata possibilità di ricombinazione, crossover e amplificazione genica
- competizione con CDP-colina
  - inibizione della sintesi di glicoproteine e glicolipidi di membrana
- inibizione del trasferimento di galattosio, N-acetilglucosamina e acido sialico alle glicoproteine di membrana
- inibizione della sintesi di acido CMP-neuraminico

# MECCANISMI DI RESISTENZA AGLI ANALOGHI DELLA CITOSINA

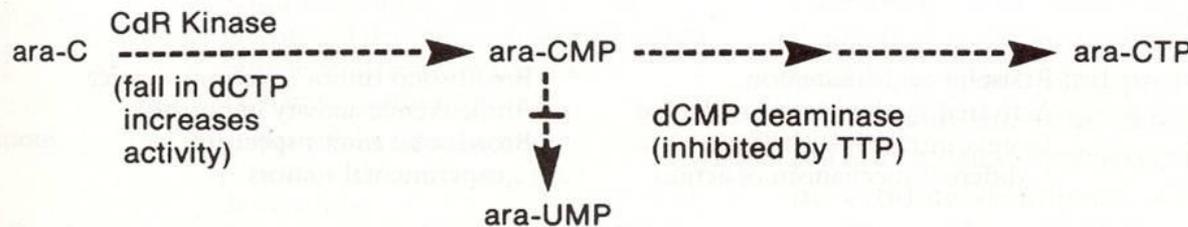
- ALTERAZIONE DELLE ATTIVITÀ RELATIVE DEGLI ENZIMI ATTIVATORI O DEGRADATIVE
- ALTERAZIONI A CARICO DEI TRASPORTATORI DI MEMBRANA
- ESPANSIONE DEL POOL CELLULARE DI dCTP
- SOVRAESPRESSIONE DEL GENE ANTIAPOPTOTICO *bcl-2*
- FOSFORILAZIONE DI FATTORI DI TRASCRIZIONE E/O FATTORI DI RISPOSTA A DANNI A CARICO DEL DNA

Figure 8-9. Interactions of thymidine and arabinosyl cytosine.

### 1. Thymidine triphosphate inhibits dCTP synthesis



### 2. Reduction in dCTP levels enhances ara-CTP formation and incorporation into DNA



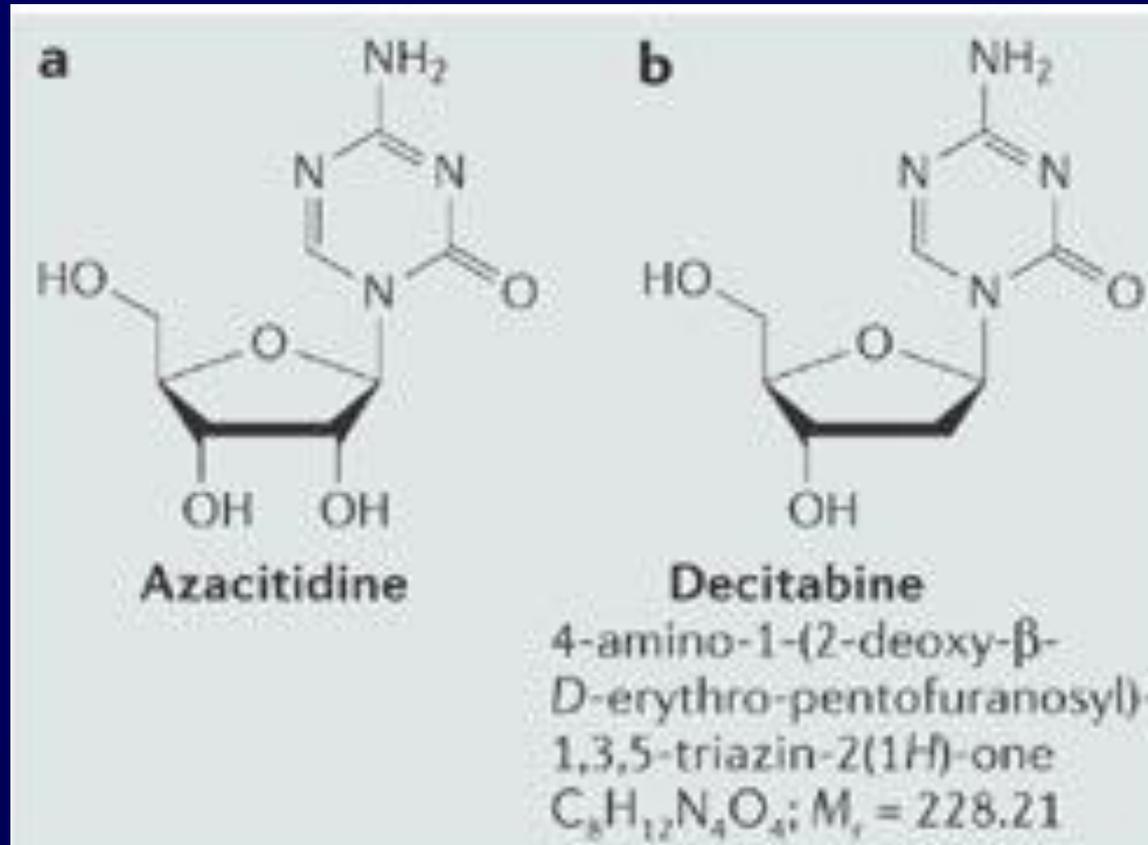
# EFFETTI TOSSICI DEGLI ANALOGHI DELLA CITOSINA

- MIELOSOPPRESSIONE
- EFFETTI GI
- MUCOSITE
- LIEVE DISFUNZIONE EPATICA (reversibile)
- POLMONITE

STOMATITE  
DA AraC



# ANALOGHI DELLA CITOSINA

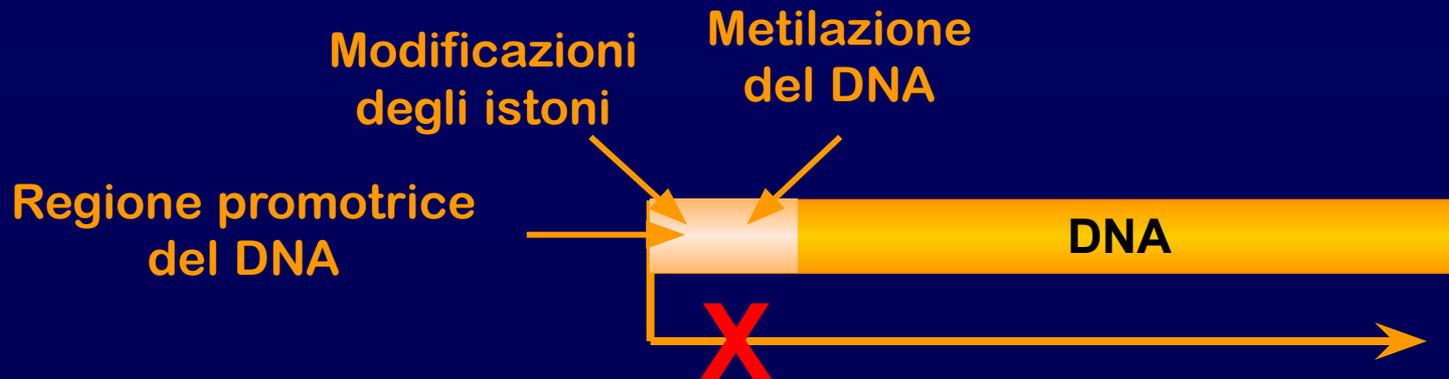


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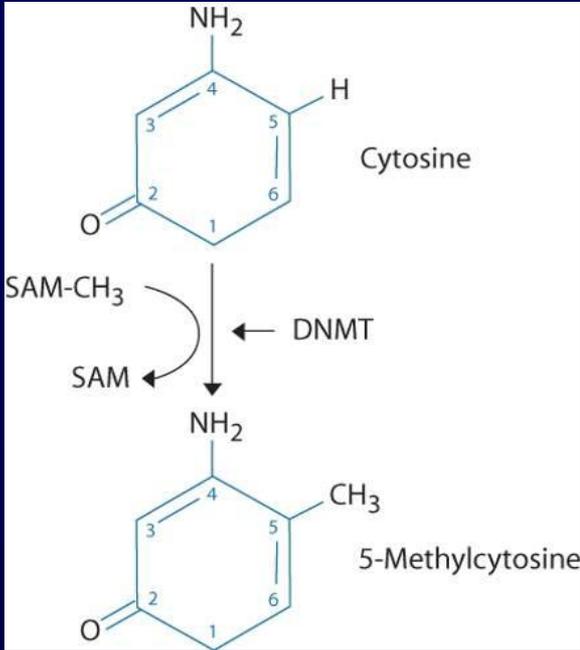
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# Modificazioni Epigenetiche e Cancro

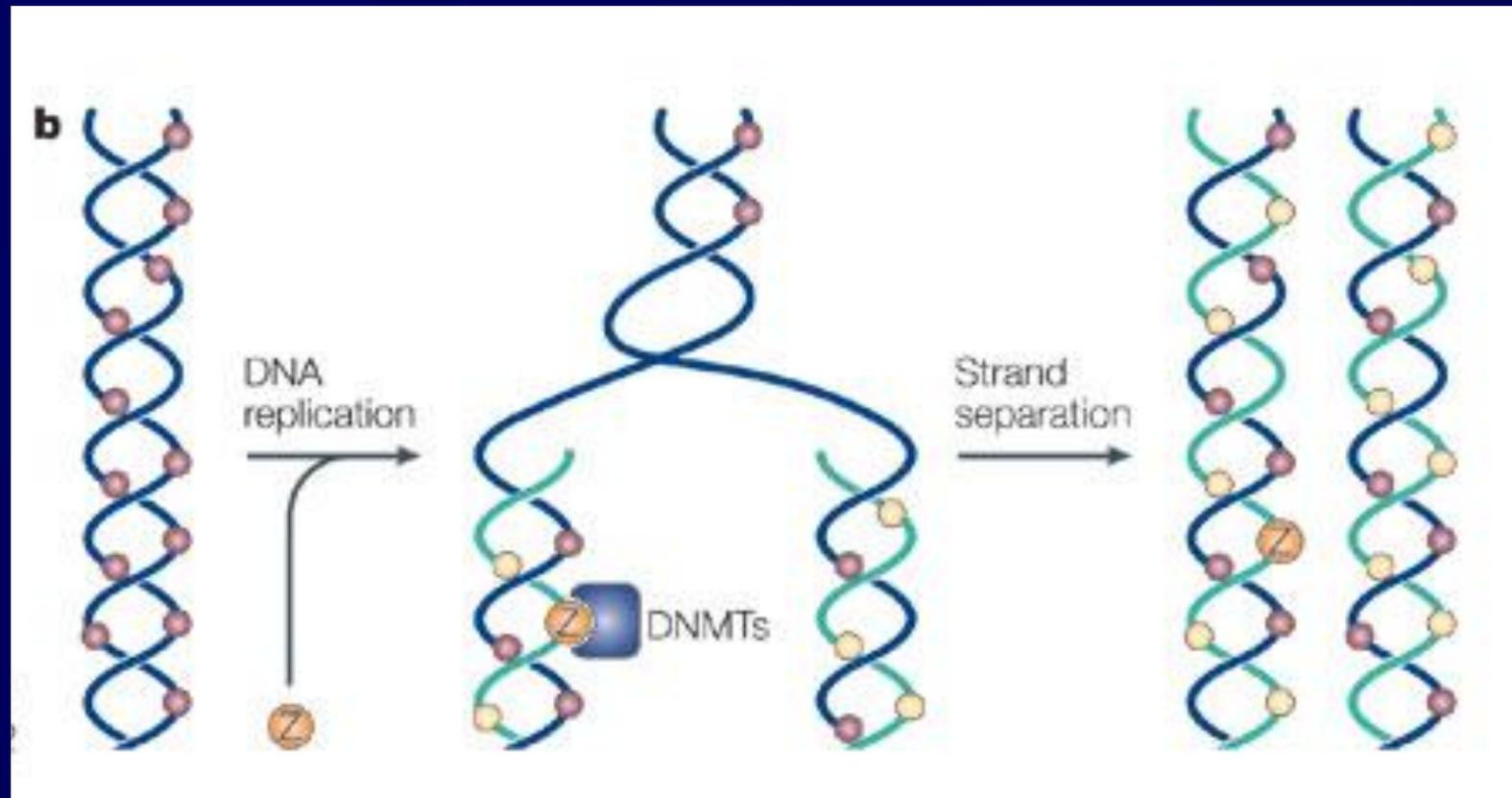


Blocco della trascrizione del RNA  
Silenziamento epigenetico di geni oncosoppressori

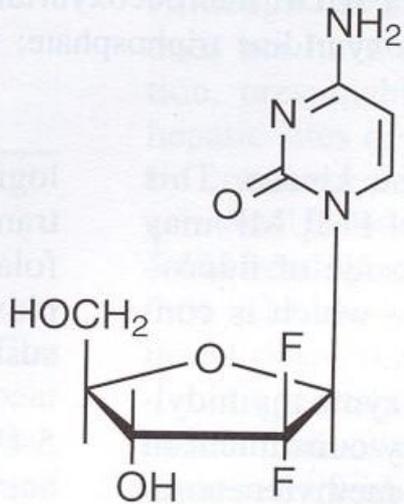
## Metilazione del DNA



# METILAZIONE DEL DNA



# ANALOGHI DELLA CITOSINA



2', 2'-Difluorodeoxycytidine  
(gemcitabine)

competizione tra dFdCTP e dCTP

- inibizione DNA polimerasi

inibizione della ribonucleotide reductasi

incorporazione di dFdCTP nel DNA

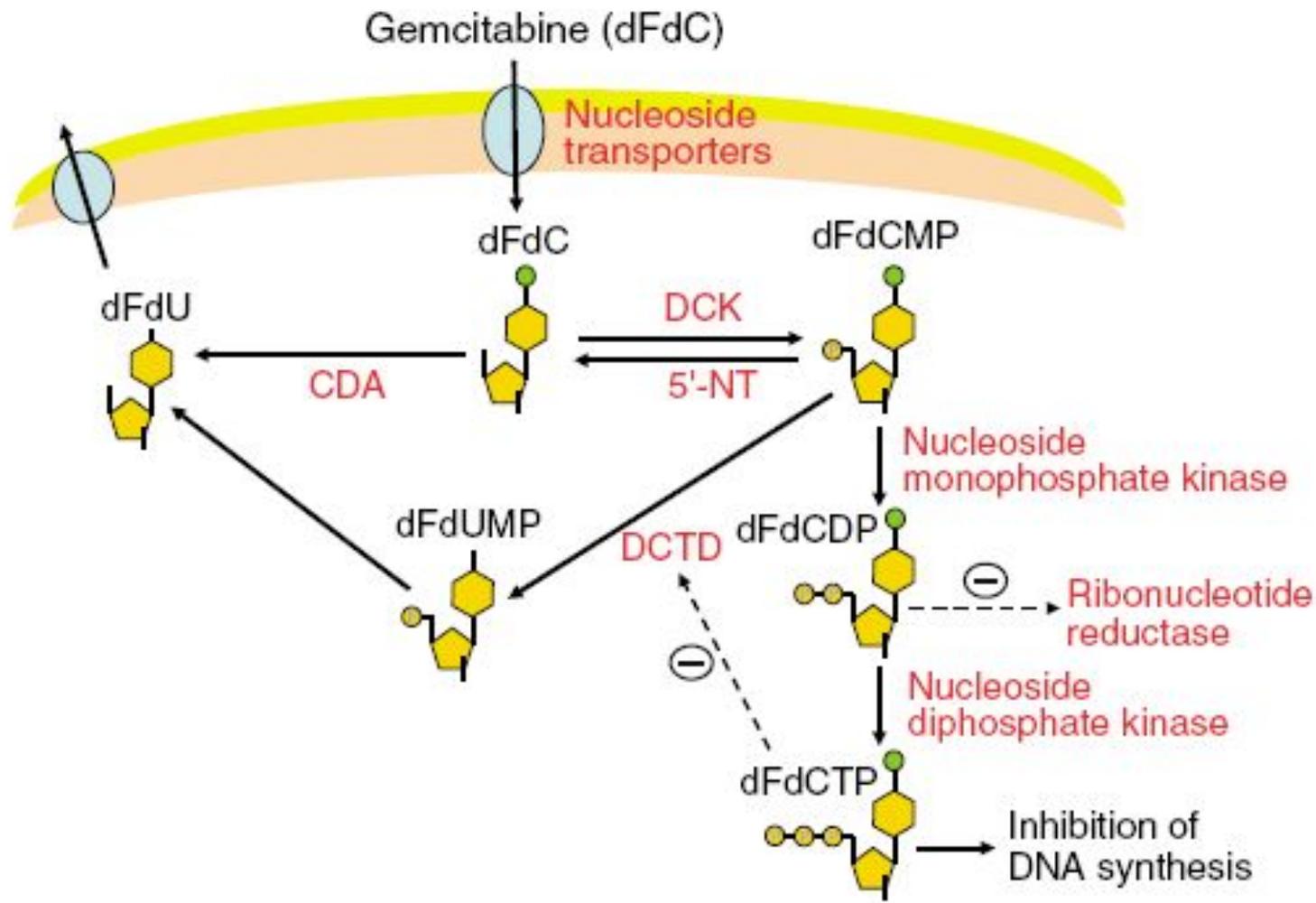
- Blocco dell'allungamento della

catena dopo l'incorporazione di un

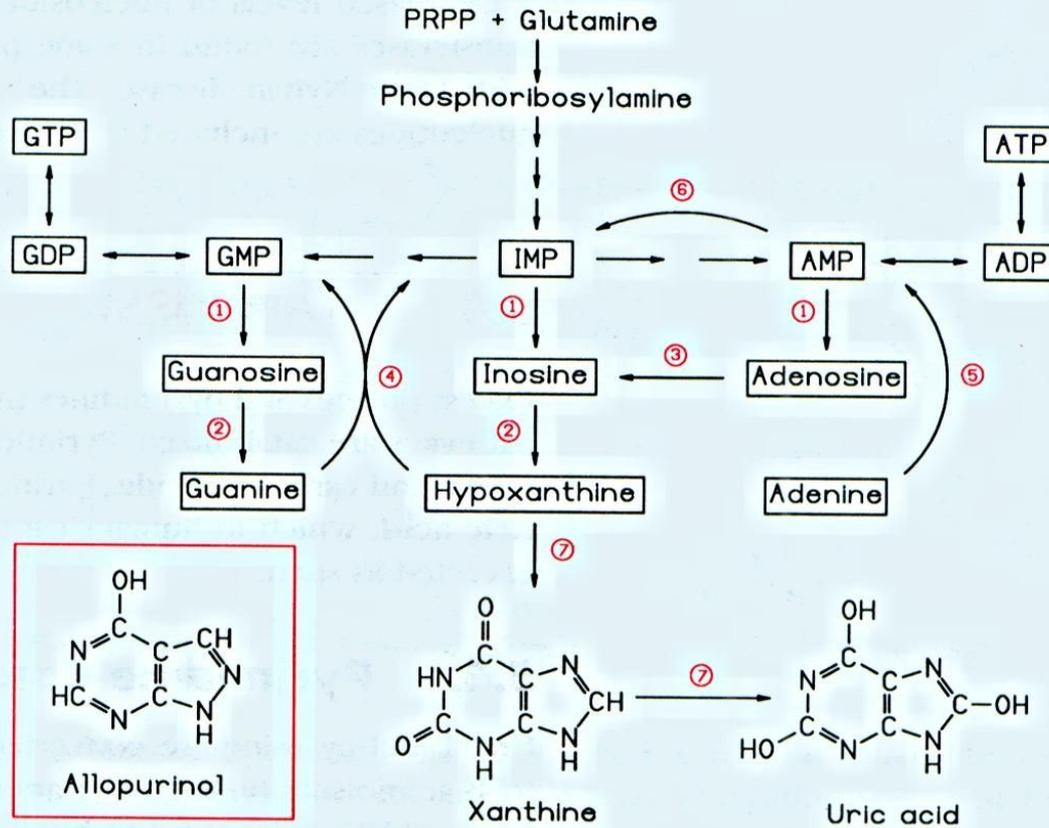
ulteriore nucleotide □ elusione dei

sistemi di riparazione del DNA

attiva anche su cellule in fase non-S



# VIA DI RECUPERO DELLE BASI PURINICHE

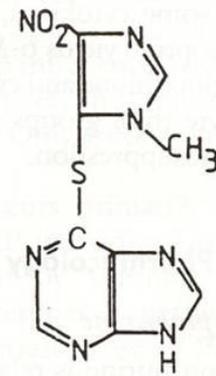


1. 5'-Nucleotidase
2. Nucleoside phosphorylase
3. Adenosine deaminase
4. Hypoxanthine-guanine-phosphoribosyl transferase (HGPRTase)

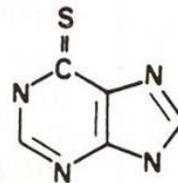
5. Adenine phosphoribosyl transferase
6. AMP deaminase
7. Xanthine oxidase

# ANALOGHI DELLA GUANINA

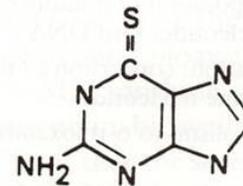
Figure 9-1. Structure of the naturally occurring purine guanine and related antineoplastic agents 6-mercaptopurine, 6-thioguanine, and azathioprine.



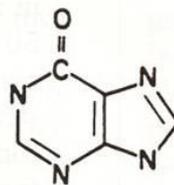
Azathioprine



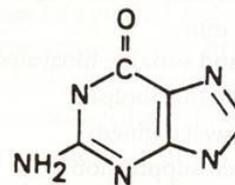
6-Mercaptopurine



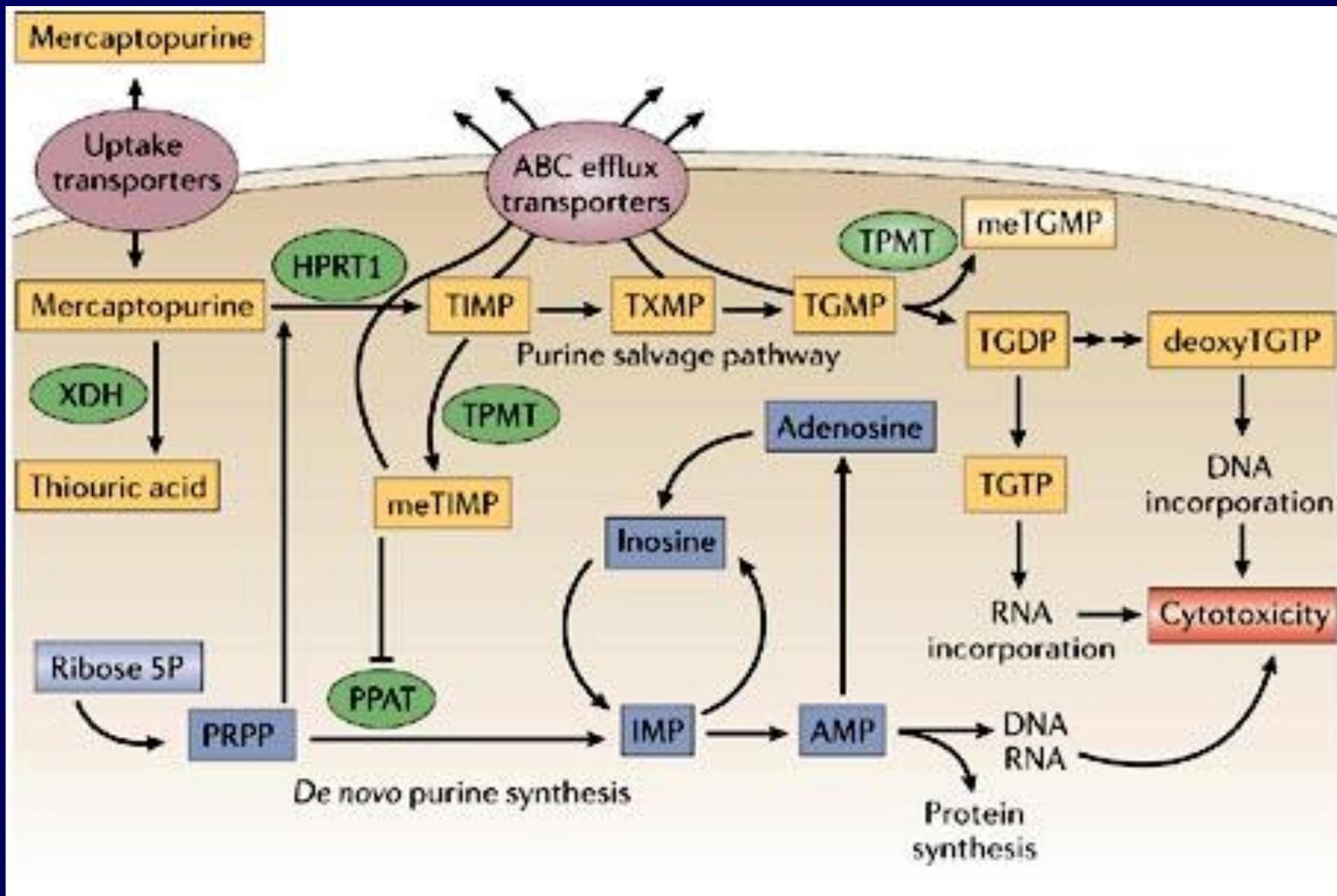
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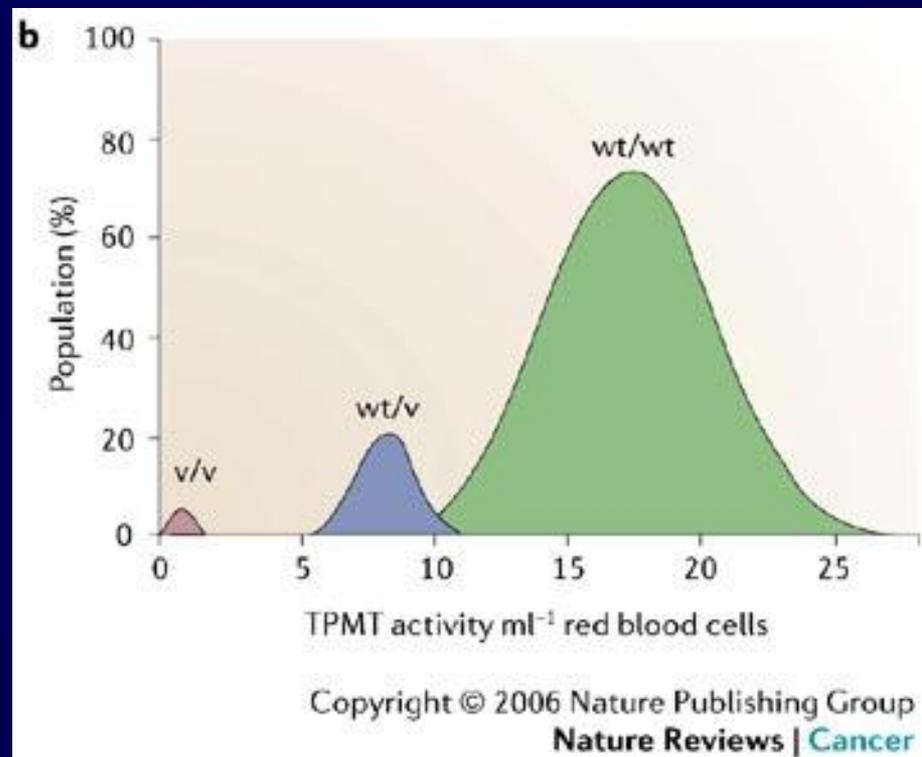
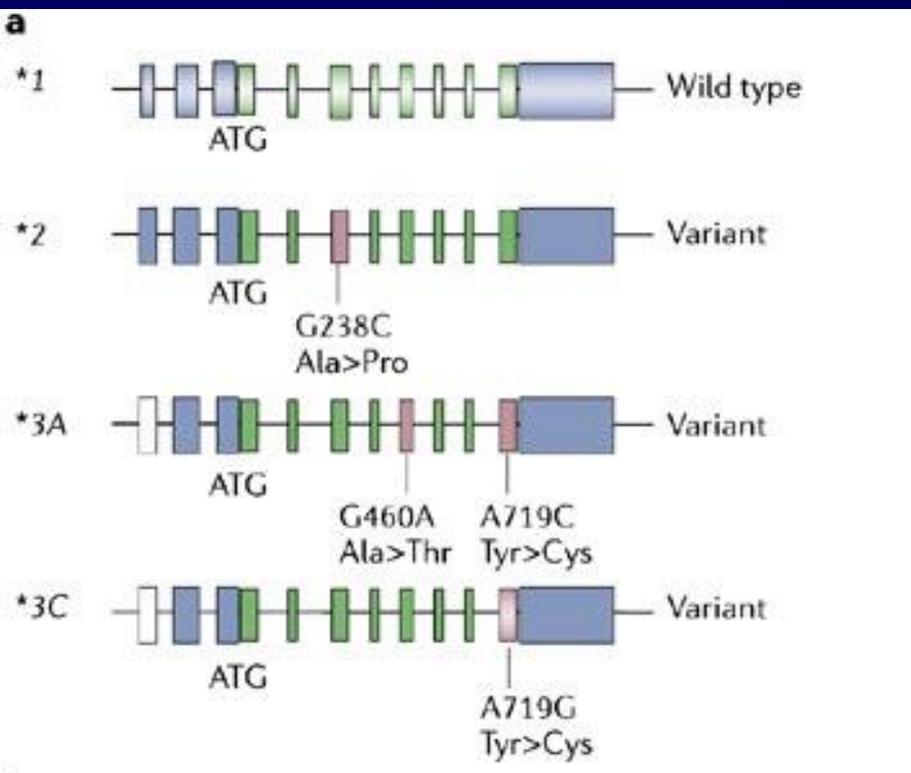


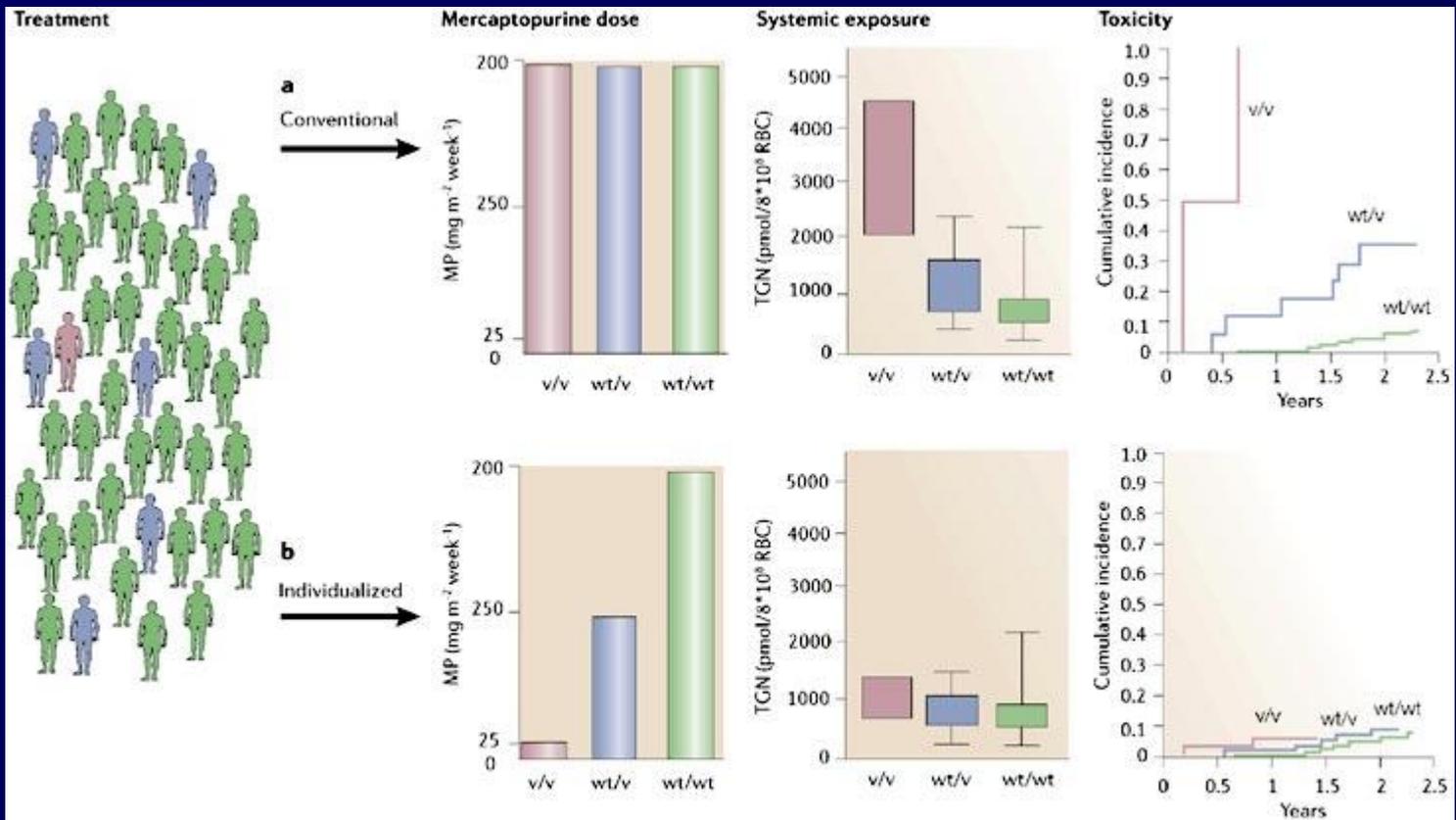
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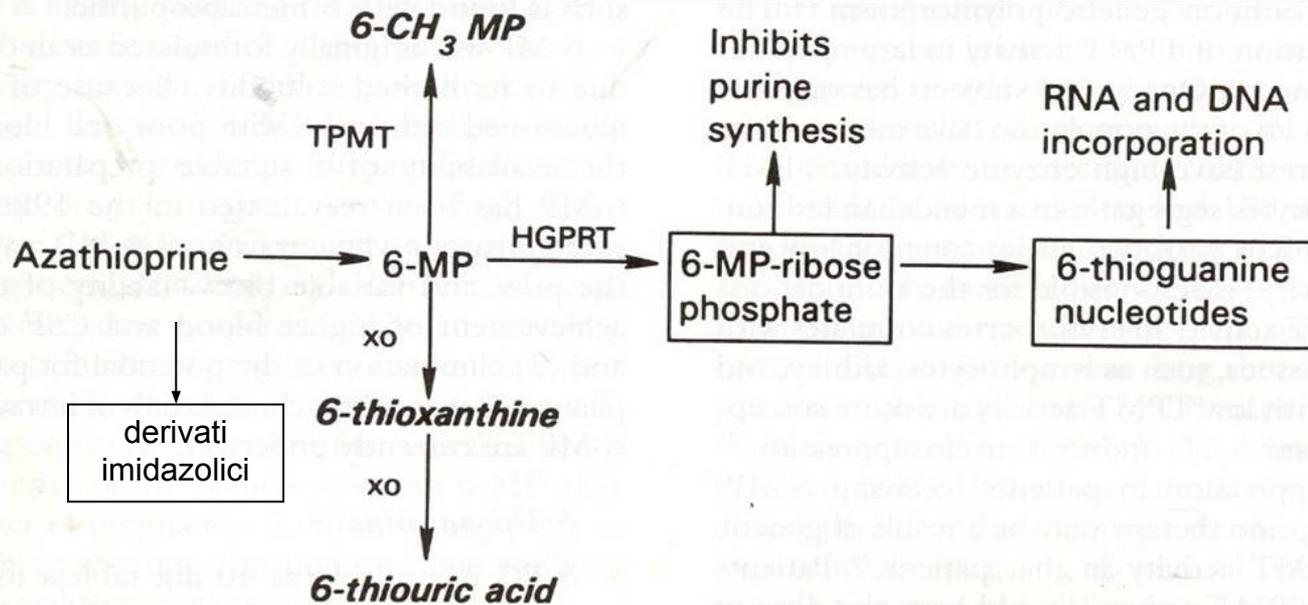
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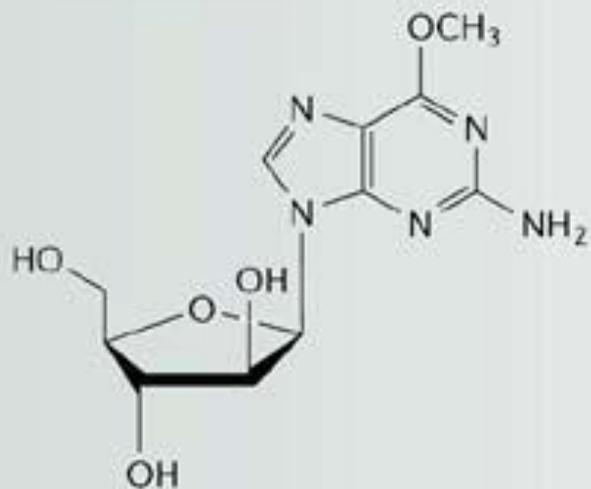






**Figure 9-2.** Mechanism of activation and catabolism of azathioprine and 6-mercaptopurine. Active metabolites are indicated by surrounding boxes. Inactive (or less active) metabolites are indicated by italic print. TPMT = thiopurine methyltransferase; xo = xanthine oxidase; HGPRT = hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyltransferase.





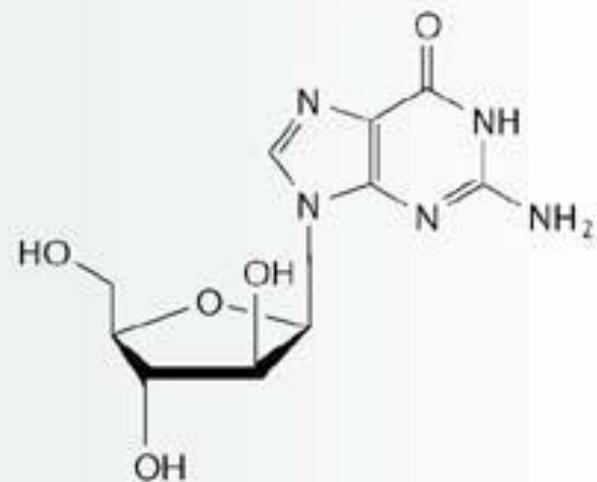
**Nelarabine**

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$C_{11}H_{15}N_5O_5$ ;  $M_r = 297.27$ ; CAS number: 121032-29-9



Adenosine deaminase



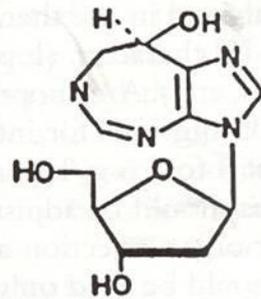
**ara-G**

# MECCANISMI DI RESISTENZA AGLI ANALOGHI DELLA GUANINA

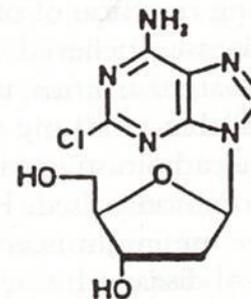
- PERDITA O ↓ ATTIVITÀ DELL' ENZIMA HGPRT
- ↓ TRASPORTO ATTRAVERSO LA MEMBRANA PLASMATICA
- ↑ DELLA VELOCITÀ DI DEGRADAZIONE
- ALTERATA EFFICIENZA DEGLI ENZIMI CHE RIPARANO IL DNA
- ↑ DELL'ATTIVITÀ DELLA MRP5

# ANALOGHI DELL' ADENOSINA

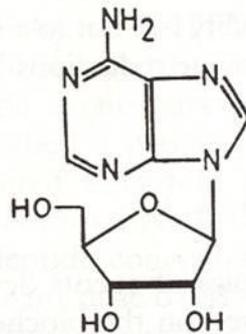
**Figure 9-3.** Structure of adenosine and the adenosine analogues fludarabine (9- $\beta$ -arabinofuranosyl-2-fluoroadenosine monophosphate, F-araAMP), pentostatin (2-deoxycytosine), and cladribine (2CdA, 2-chlorodeoxyadenosine).



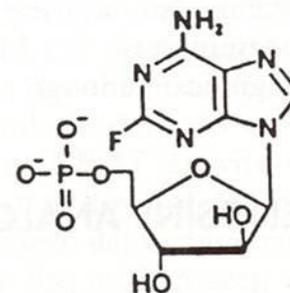
pentostatin



cladribine



adenosine



fludarabine  
phosphate

Deficit o inibizione dell'enzima adenosina deaminasi (ADA)



Accumulo di dAdenosina e dATP



Inibizione a feedback della ribonucleotide reductasi

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Inibizione della S-adenosil-omocisteina idrolasi

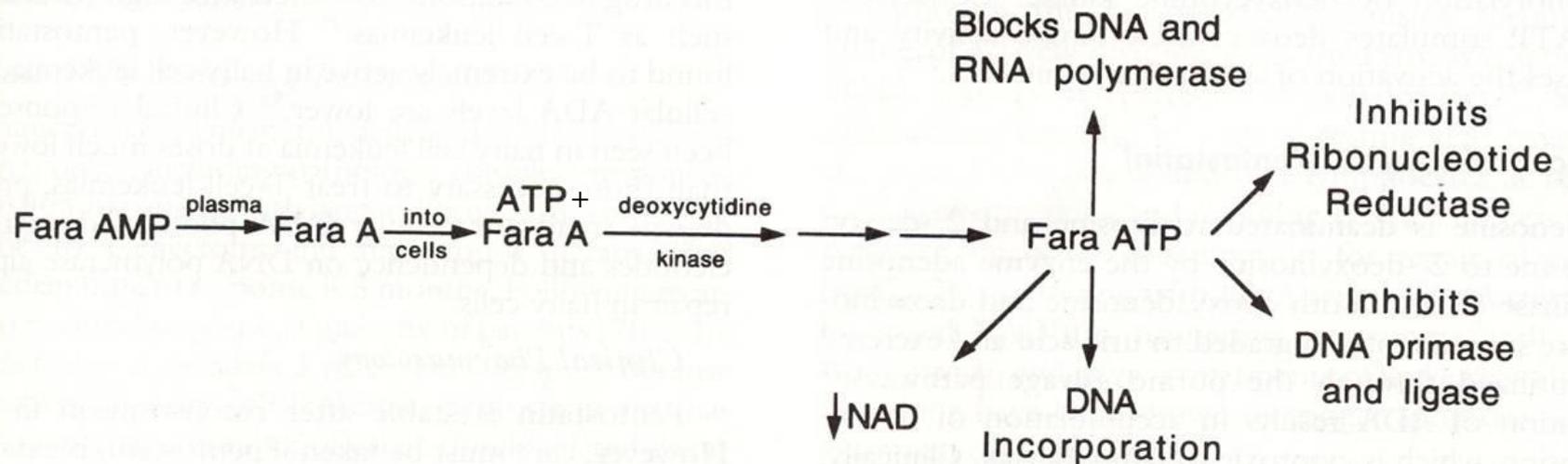
Inibizione sintesi e riparazione del DNA

Inibizione delle reazioni di metilazione



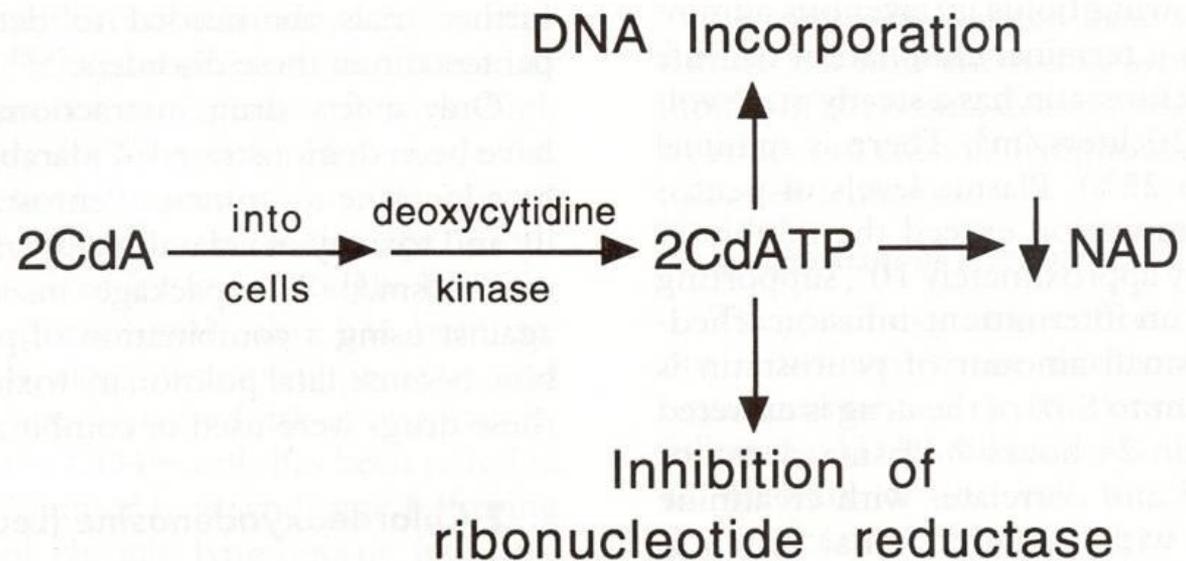
# DERIVATI DELLA DESOSSIADENOSINA

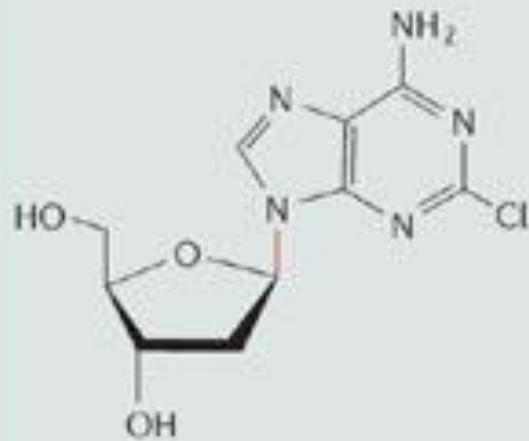
Figure 9-4. Activation of fludarabine.



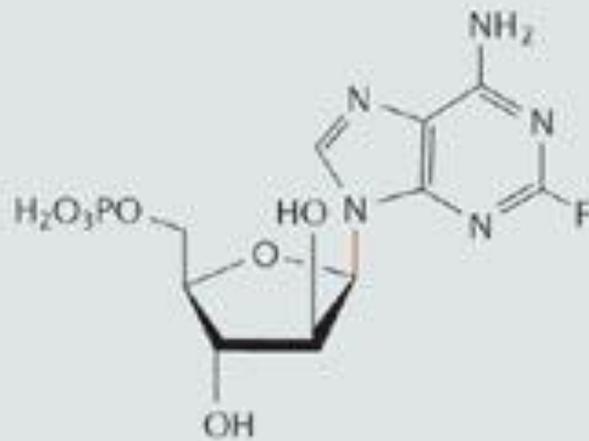
# DERIVATI DELLA DESOSSIADENOSINA

Figure 9-5. Activation of 2-chlorodeoxyadenosine (2CdA or cladribine).

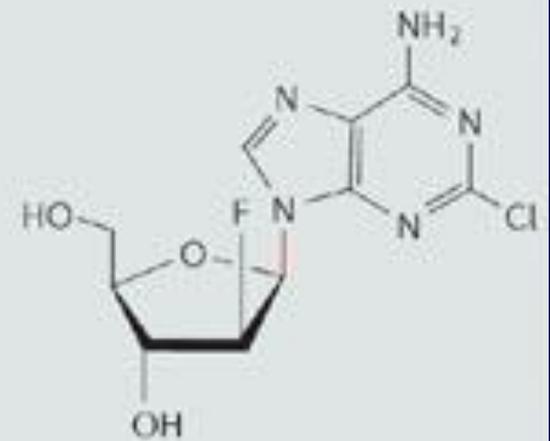




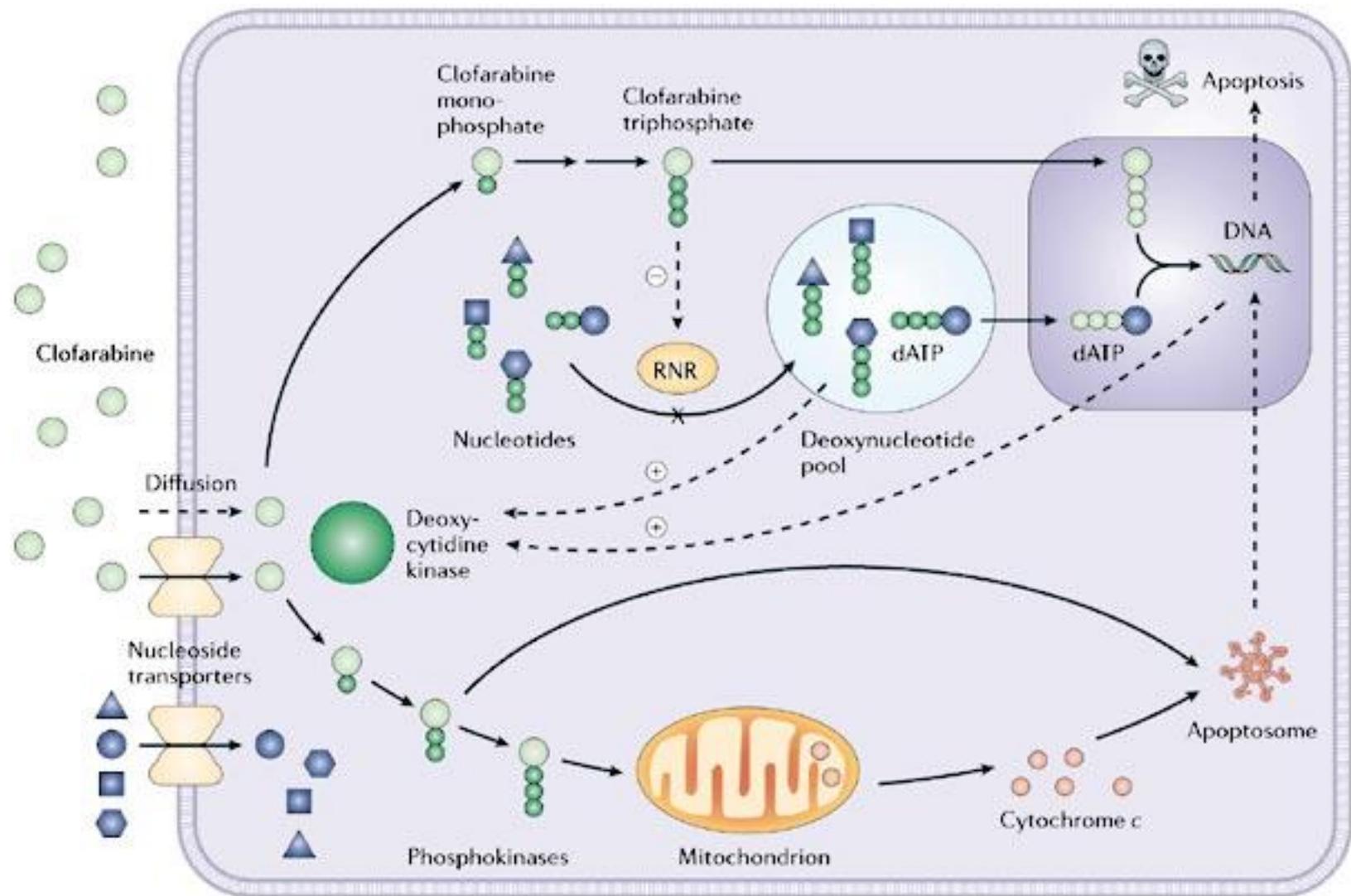
**Cladribine**



**Fludarabine phosphate**



**Clofarabine**



Parameter	Clofarabine	Fludarabine	Cladribine
Phosphorylated by dCK	++++	+	++++
dCK rate-limiting enzymatic step	No	Yes	No
Major metabolites in cells	MP and TP	TP	MP and TP
Ribonucleotide reductase inhibition	++++	++	++++
Inhibition DNA chain elongation	++++	++++	++
Inhibition RNA synthesis	+	++++	No
Mitochondrial release cytochrome c	++++	++	++++
Cellular elimination (CEM cells)	Slow	Not tested	Rapid

CEM, acute lymphocytic leukaemia cells; dCK, deoxycytidine kinase; MP, monophosphate; TP, triphosphate.

# CARATTERISTICHE DEI DERIVATI DELLA DESOSSIADENOSINA

- Resistenza alla adenosina deaminasi
- Attività anche su cellule non proliferanti
  - inibizione della riparazione del DNA
  - alterazioni mitocondriali
  - attivazione diretta del programma apoptotico
- Mielosoppressione ed effetto immunosoppressivo

Drug	Main uses	Doses	Main adverse effects
<b>Purine analogues</b>			
Fludarabine	Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia	25 mg/m <sup>2</sup> daily intravenously over 30 min for 5 days; repeat every 28 days	Myelosuppression, opportunistic infections, neurotoxicity
Cladribine	Hairy-cell leukaemia; non-Hodgkin lymphoma	4 mg/m <sup>2</sup> daily by continuous intravenous infusion for 5 consecutive days	Myelosuppression, rash, septicaemia, fever
<b>Pyrimidine analogues</b>			
Cytarabine	Acute myelogenous and lymphoblastic leukaemias	Conventional dose — 100–200 mg/m <sup>2</sup> intravenously on days 1 to 7 High-dose — 3 g/m <sup>2</sup> intravenously over 1–3 h every 12 h for 12 doses	Conventional dose — myelosuppression, vomiting, stomatitis High dose — neurotoxicity, pericarditis
Gemcitabine	Pancreatic, lung, breast, and bladder cancers	1 g/m <sup>2</sup> intravenously over 30 min once a week for 3 consecutive weeks every 4 weeks	Mild myelosuppression, nausea and vomiting, and skin rashes
<b>Fluoropyrimidines</b>			
Fluorouracil	Gastrointestinal, pancreatic, head and neck, renal, skin, prostate, and breast cancers	Mayo regimen — 450–600 mg/m <sup>2</sup> intravenous bolus on days 1–5 every 4 weeks Roswell Park regimen — 450–600 mg/m <sup>2</sup> intravenous bolus weekly Infusion — 200–400 mg/m <sup>2</sup> daily continuously	Bolus — myelosuppression, stomatitis, nausea and vomiting, diarrhoea, angor pectoris Infusion — hand foot syndrome
Capecitabine	Relapsed breast and colorectal cancers	2.5 g/m <sup>2</sup> daily by mouth; 2 weeks on drug, 1 week of rest	Hand-foot syndrome, diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting

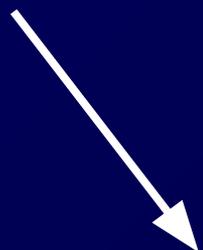
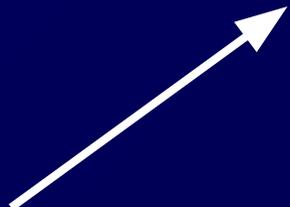
High-dose administration  
• *ara-C*

Degradation inhibitors  
• *Eniluracil*

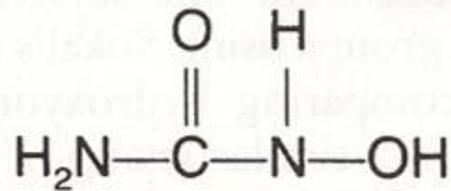
How can we increase nucleoside analogue cytotoxicity?

Degradation insensitive compounds  
• *Eniluracil*  
• *Cladribine*  
• *Troxacitabine*

DNA repair inhibition  
• *Fludarabine/anthracyclines*  
• *ara-C/mitoxatrone*  
• *Gemcitabine/cisplatin*



**Figure 10-1.** Structure of hydroxyurea.



# MECCANISMI D'AZIONE DELLA IDROSSIUREA

- effetto scavenger sul radicale libero tirosinico presente nel sito attivo
- liberazione di NO

# MECCANISMI DI RESISTENZA ALLA IDROSSIUREA

- ↑ DEI LIVELLI DI RIBONUCLEOTIDE REDUTTASI
- PRODUZIONE DI FORME ALTERATE DELL'ENZIMA

# IMPIEGO DELLA IDROSSIUREA IN PATOLOGIE NON NEOPLASTICHE

- ANEMIA FALCIFORME
- INFEZIONE DA HIV
- TROMBOCITEMIA
- POLICITEMIA VERA

# EFFETTI TOSSICI DEGLI ANALOGHI DELLA IDROSSIUREA

- MIELODEPRESSIONE
- EFFETTI GI E DERMATOLOGICI
- ↑ RISCHIO DI INSORGENZA DI LEUCEMIE SECONDARIE
- EFFETTO TERATOGENO

