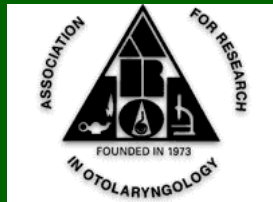


Nephrotoxicity of Aminoglycosides and Comparisons with Cis-Platinum

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Aminoglycosides in the 70's ...

- Potent antimicrobials but toxic

→ **nephrotoxicity** (reversible)

→ **ototoxicity** (irreversible)

- All very similar biophysical, chemical, microbiological and pharmacokinetic properties, but...

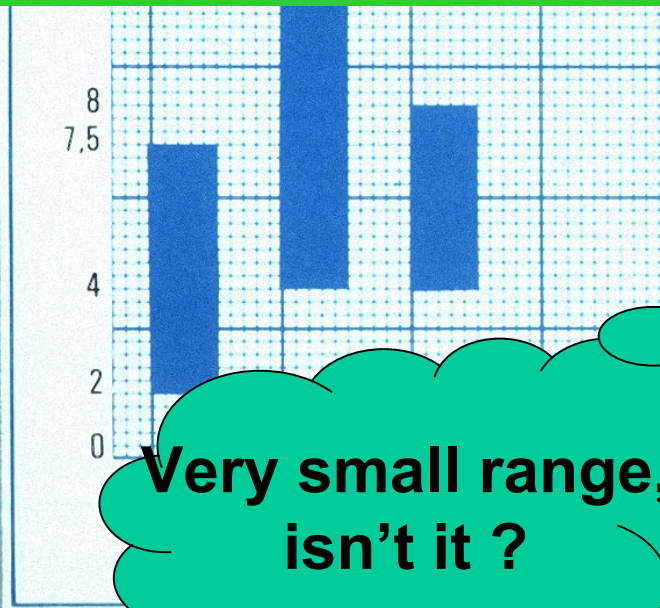
- Why are there differences in toxicities ?
- Are those differences real ?
- What is/are the mechanism(s) ?
- Can we protect patients ?



Aminoglycosides monitoring in the 80's ...

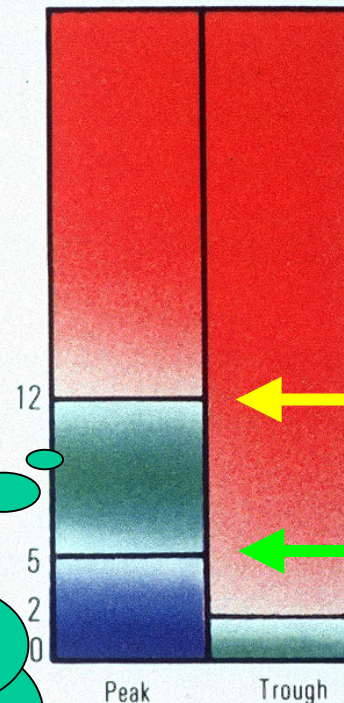
avoid high peaks
... to reduce toxicity

get sufficiently high trough levels
... to get efficacy



Very small range,
isn't it ?

USUAL THERAPEUTIC
RANGE⁴ (mg/l)



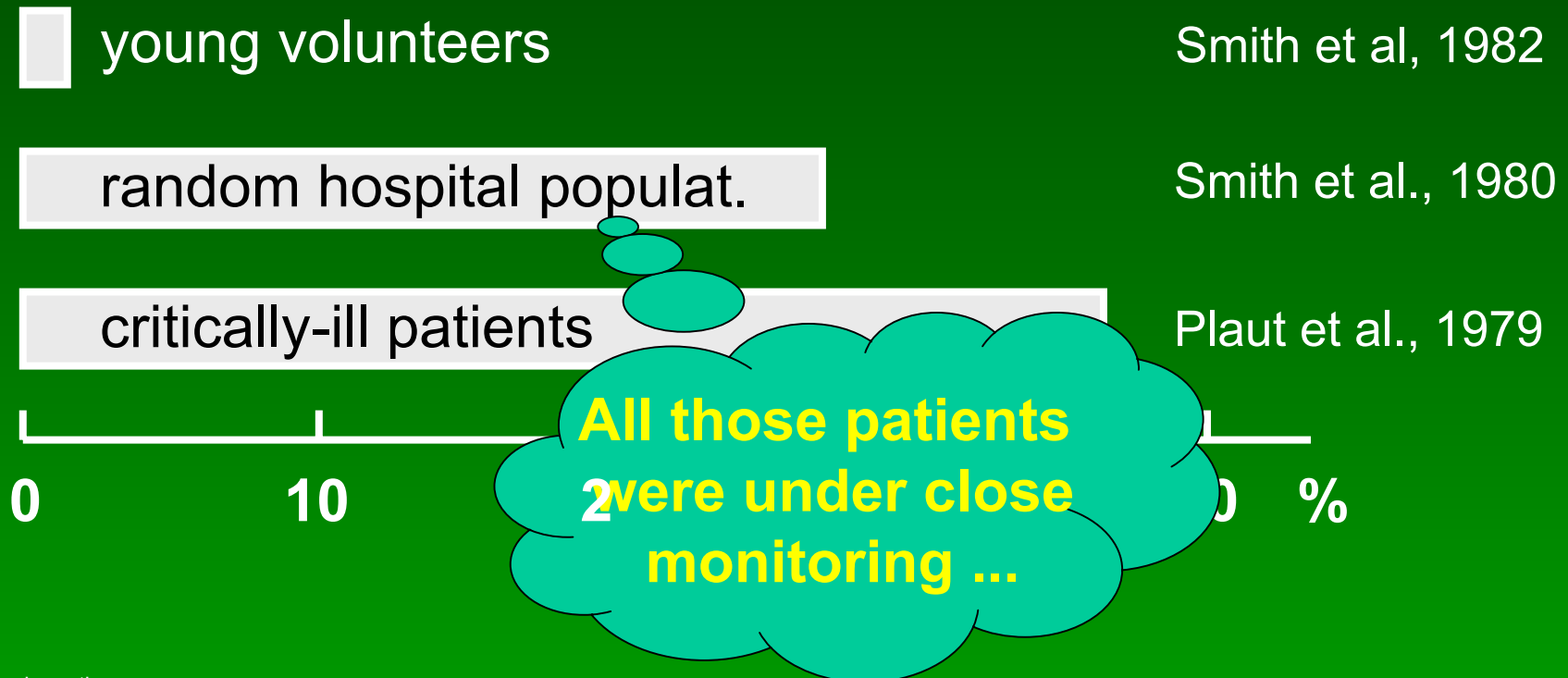
toxicity !!

lack of
efficacy

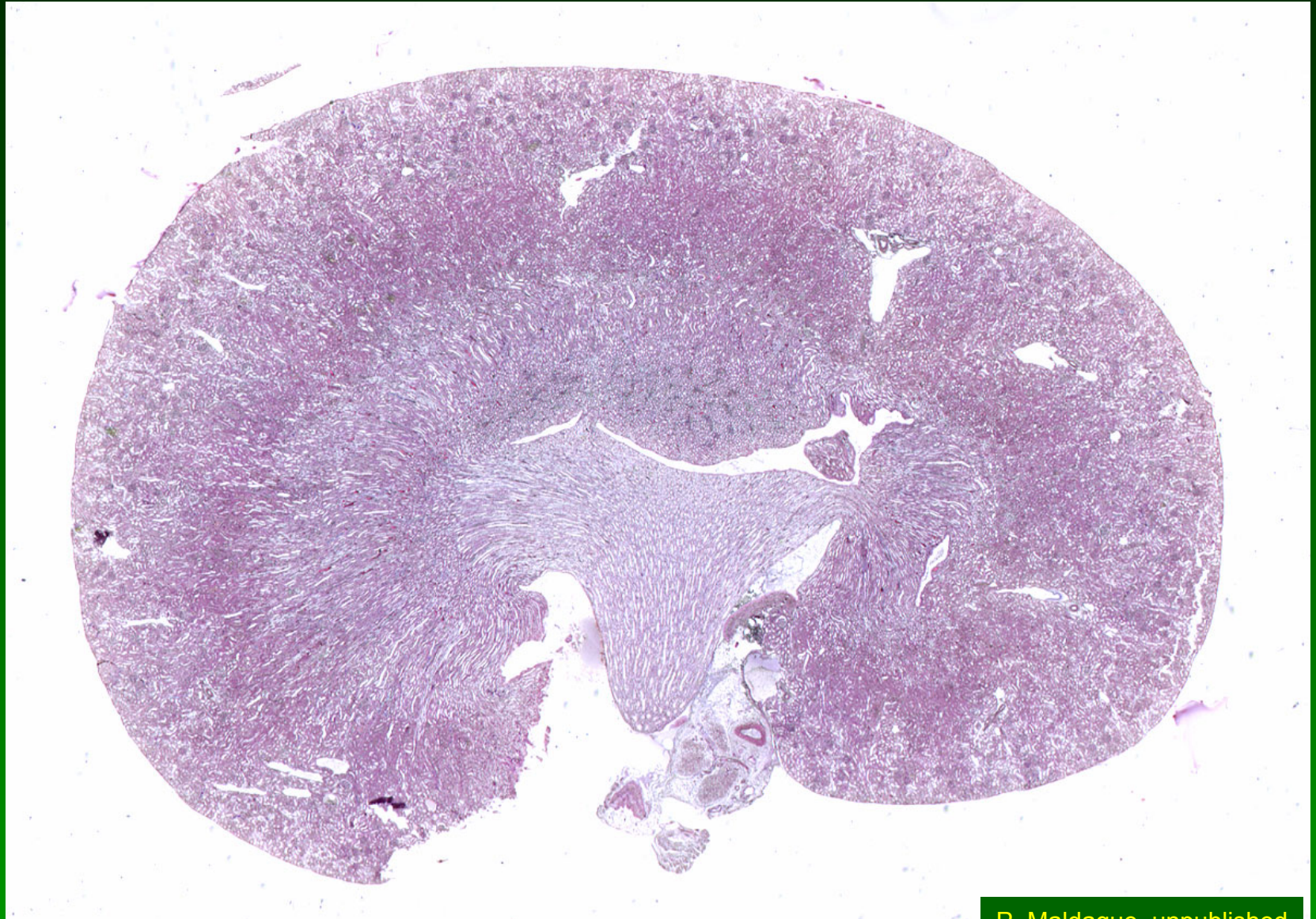
Abott TdX manual, 1986

Aminoglycosides toxicity incidence is highly variable among patient populations

Patients with nephrotoxic reaction after treatment with gentamicin

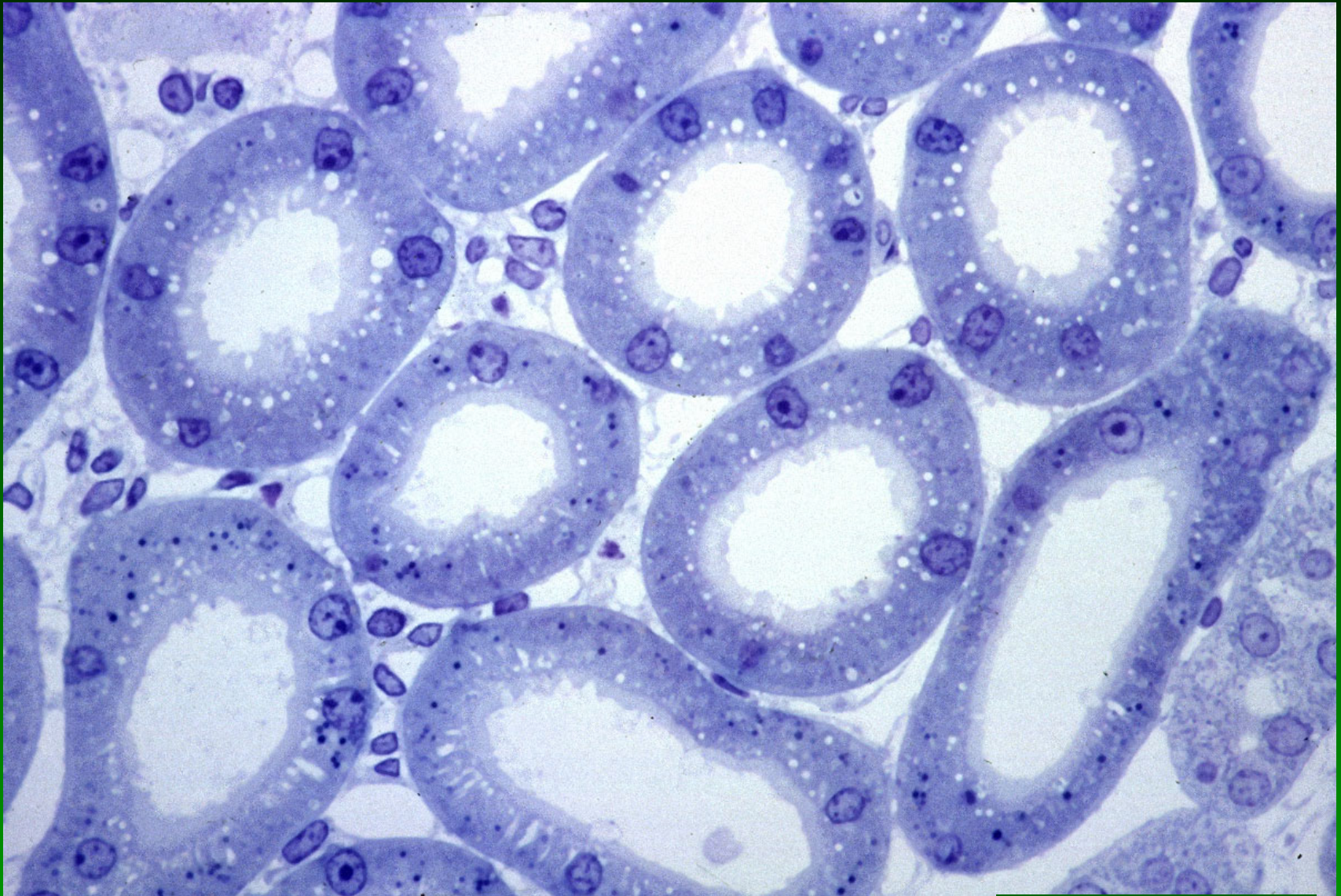


A look in the microscope ...



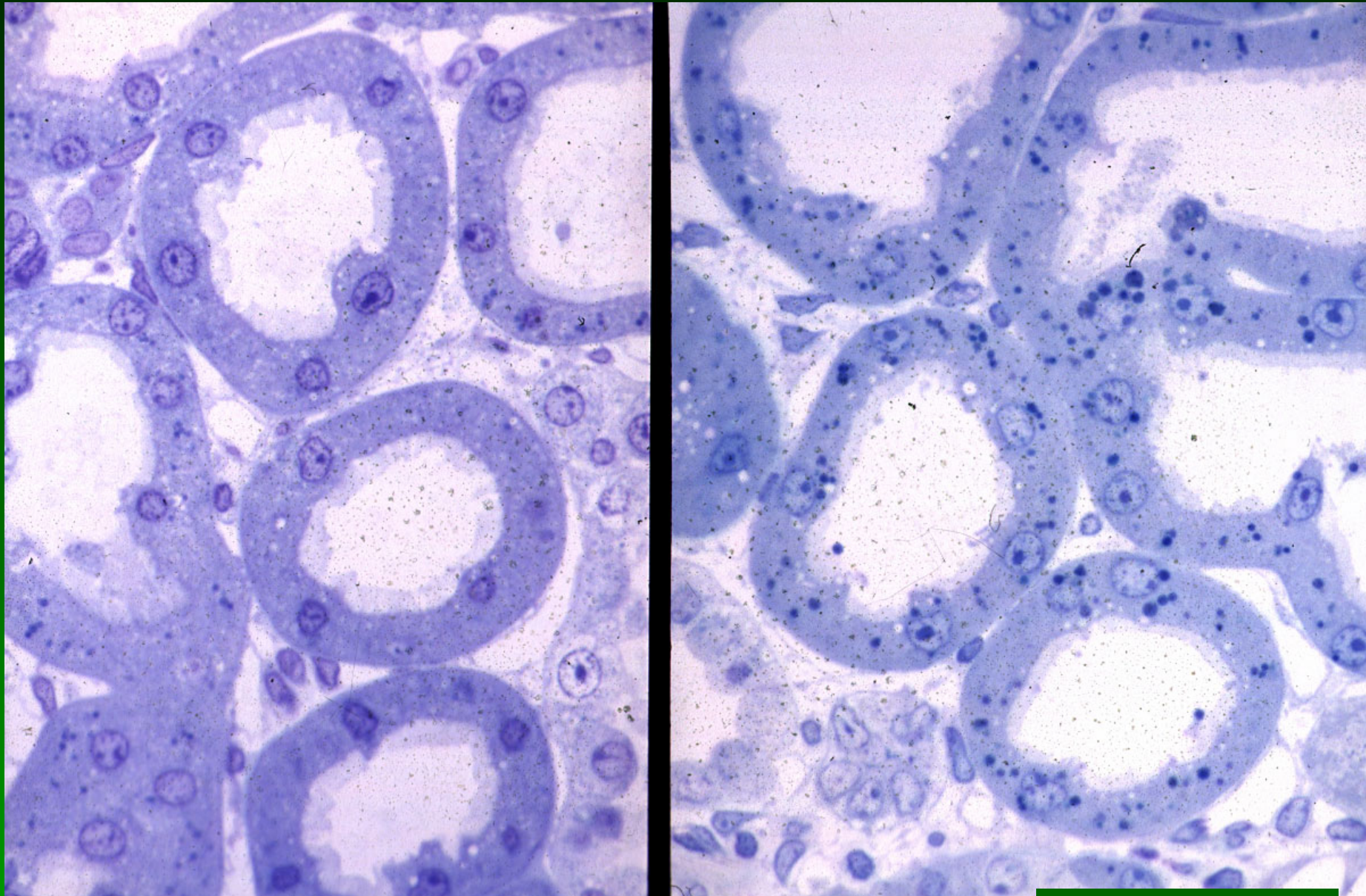
P. Maldague, unpublished

Somewhat closer ...

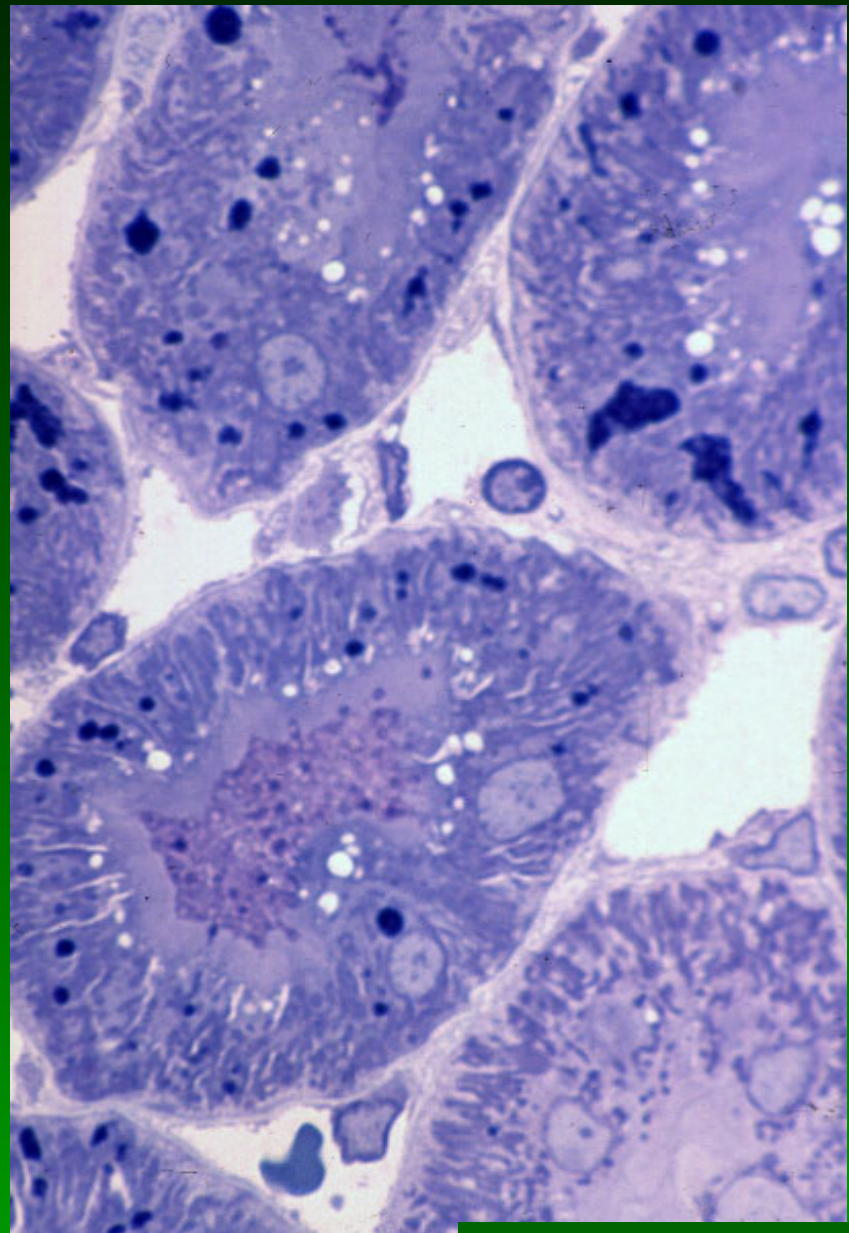
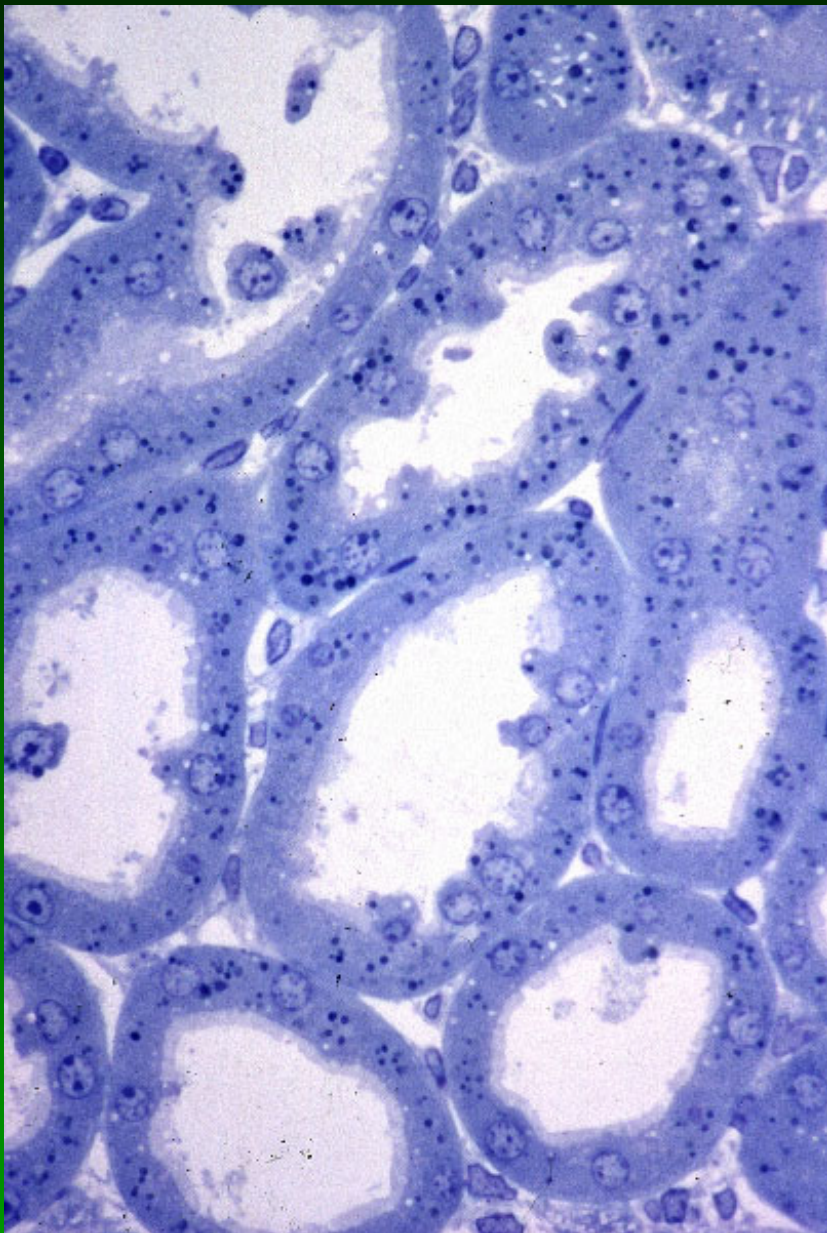


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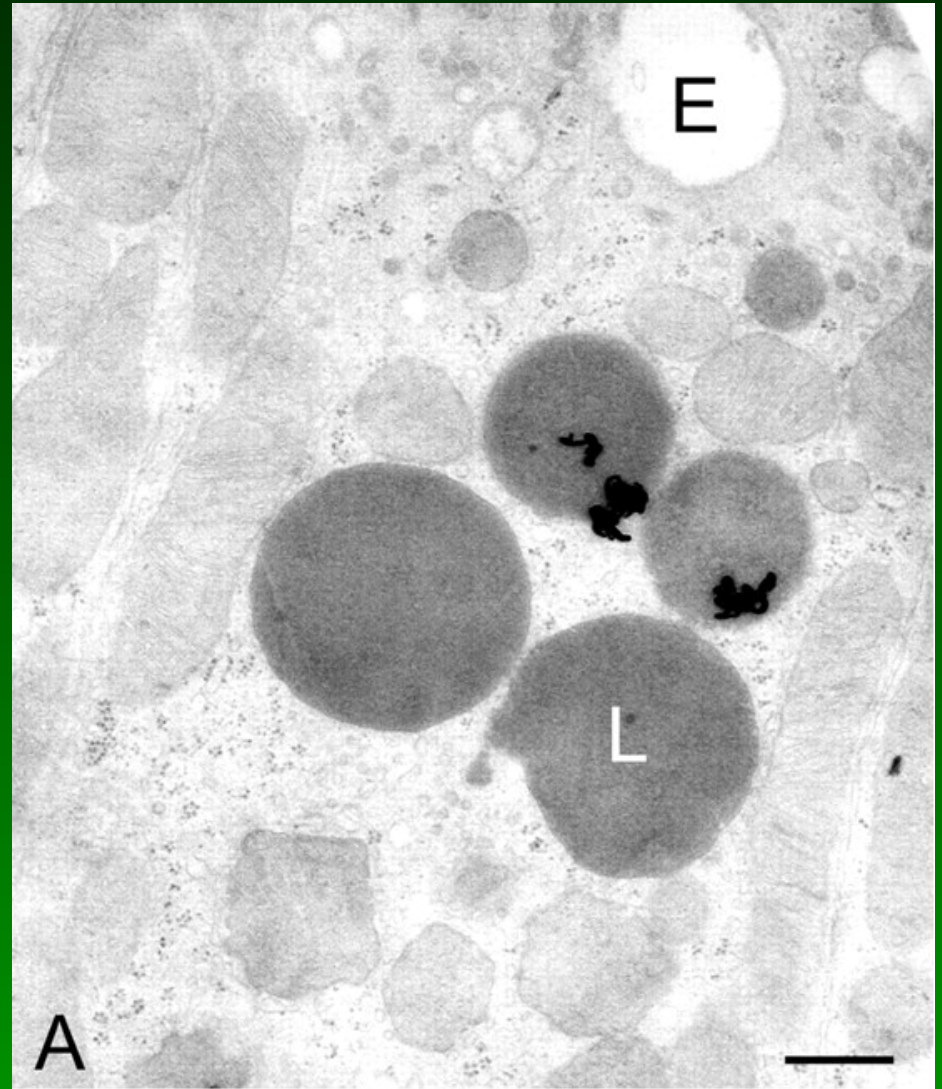
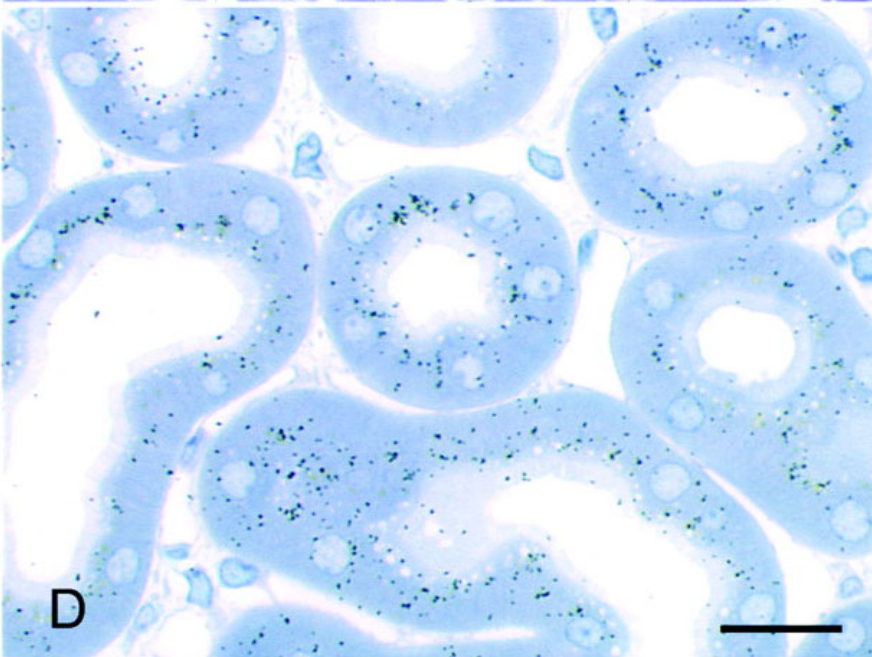
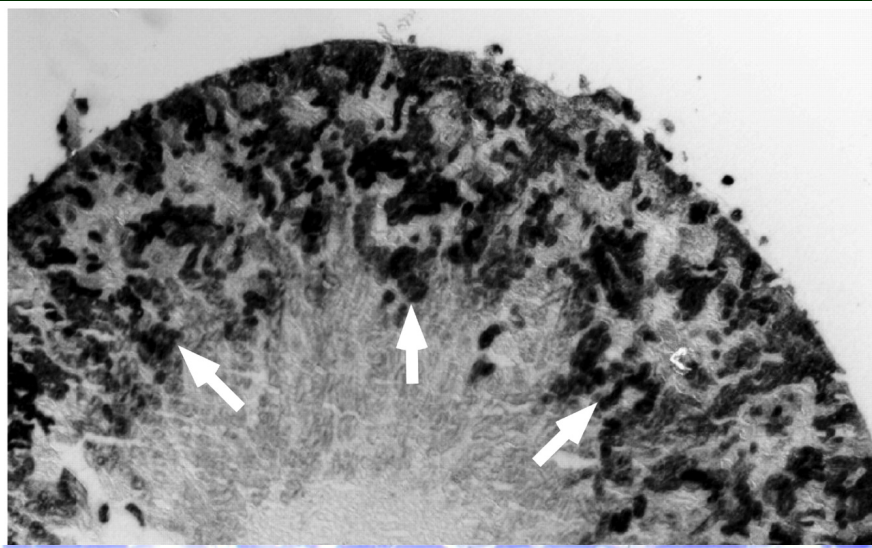
Compare ...



And examine ...

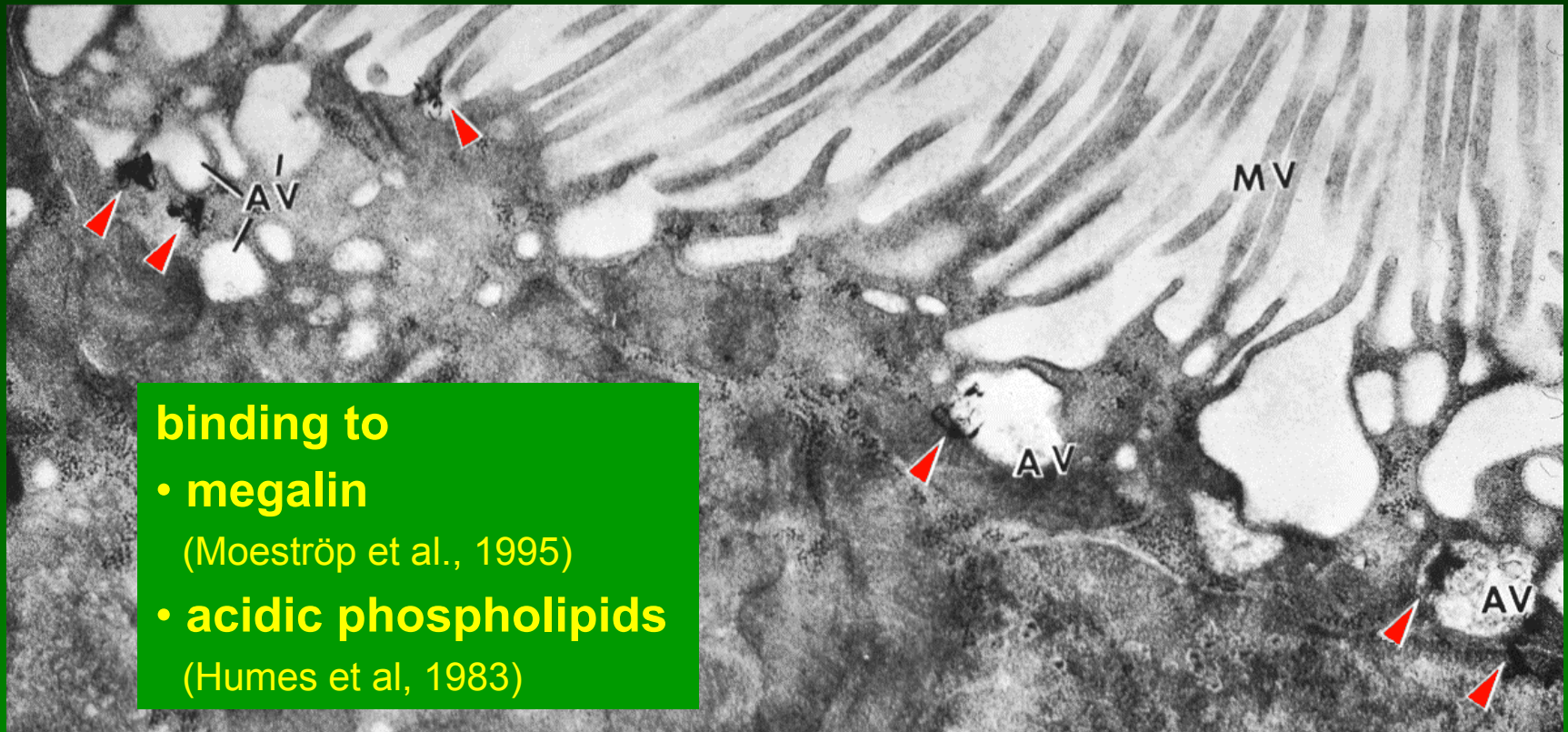


Gentamicin accumulates in lysosomes of proximal tubular cells



Schmitz et al., J. Biol. Chem. 277:618-622, 2002

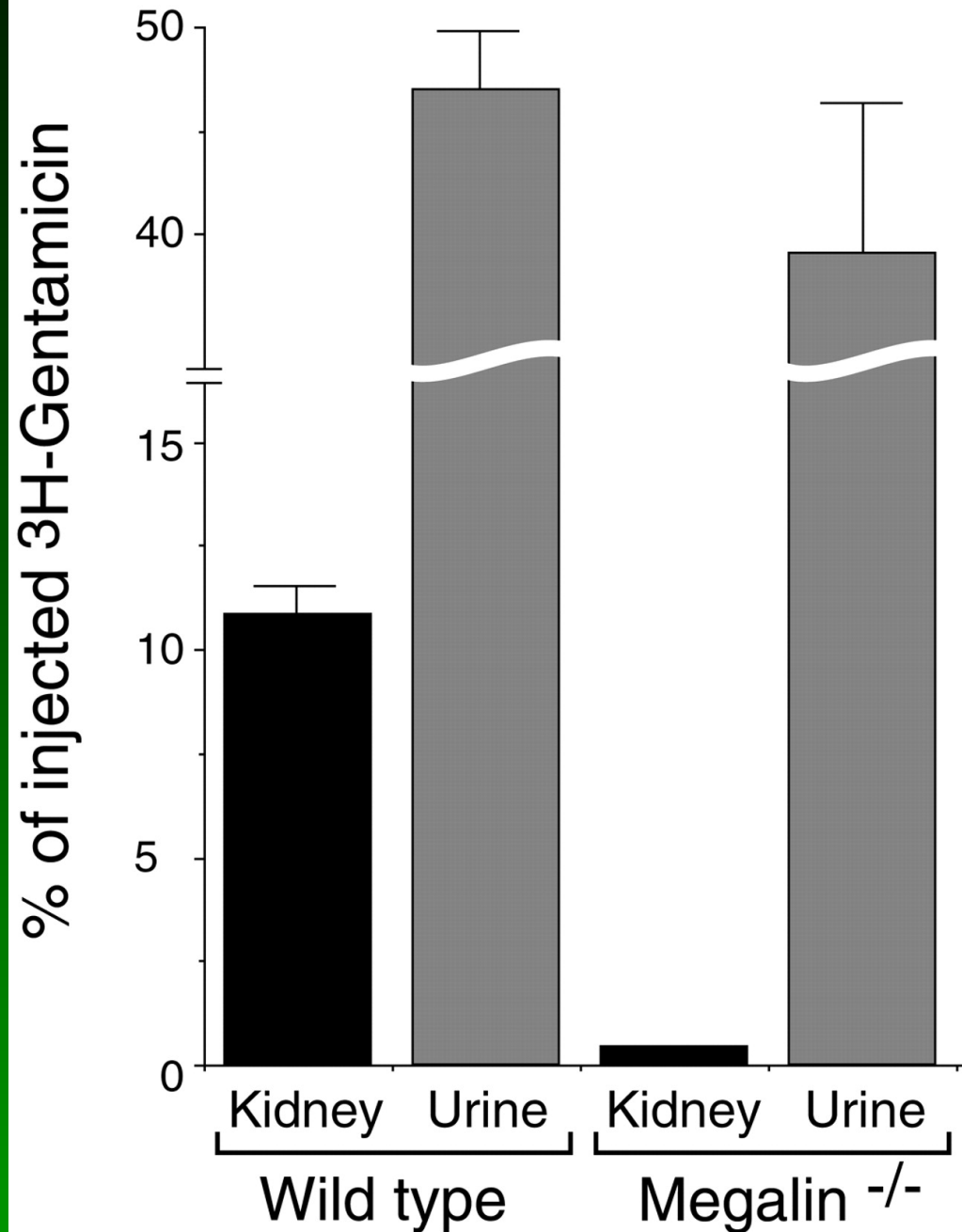
Aminoglycoside entry in proximal tubular cells is via brush border binding *...



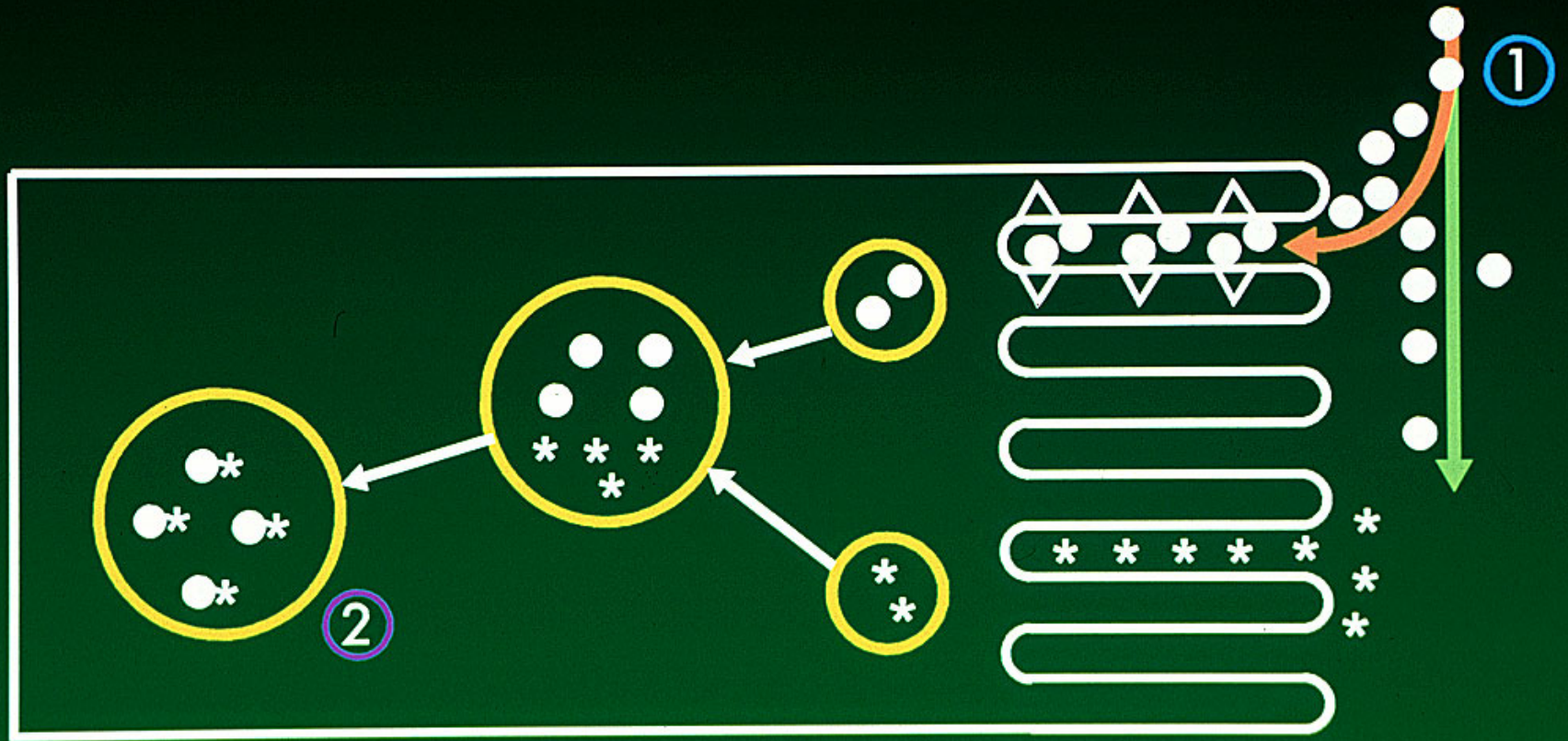
* Just *et al*, Naunym Schmied. Arch. Pharmacol, 1977
Silverblatt & Kuehen, Kidney Intern., 1979

Mice deficient in megalin do not accumulate gentamicin in kidney

Schmitz et al., J. Biol. Chem. 277:618-622, 2002

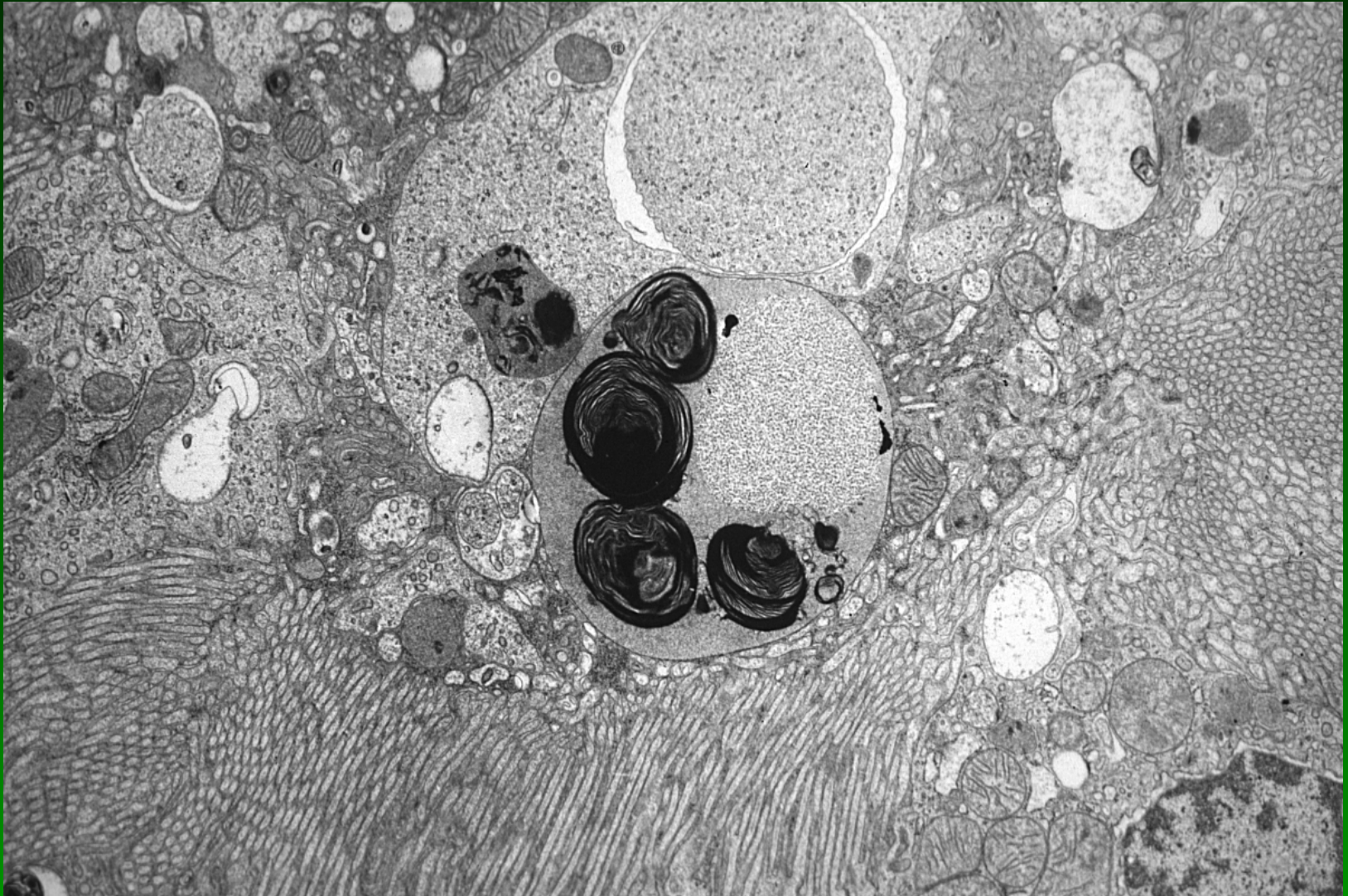


Towards a mechanism ...



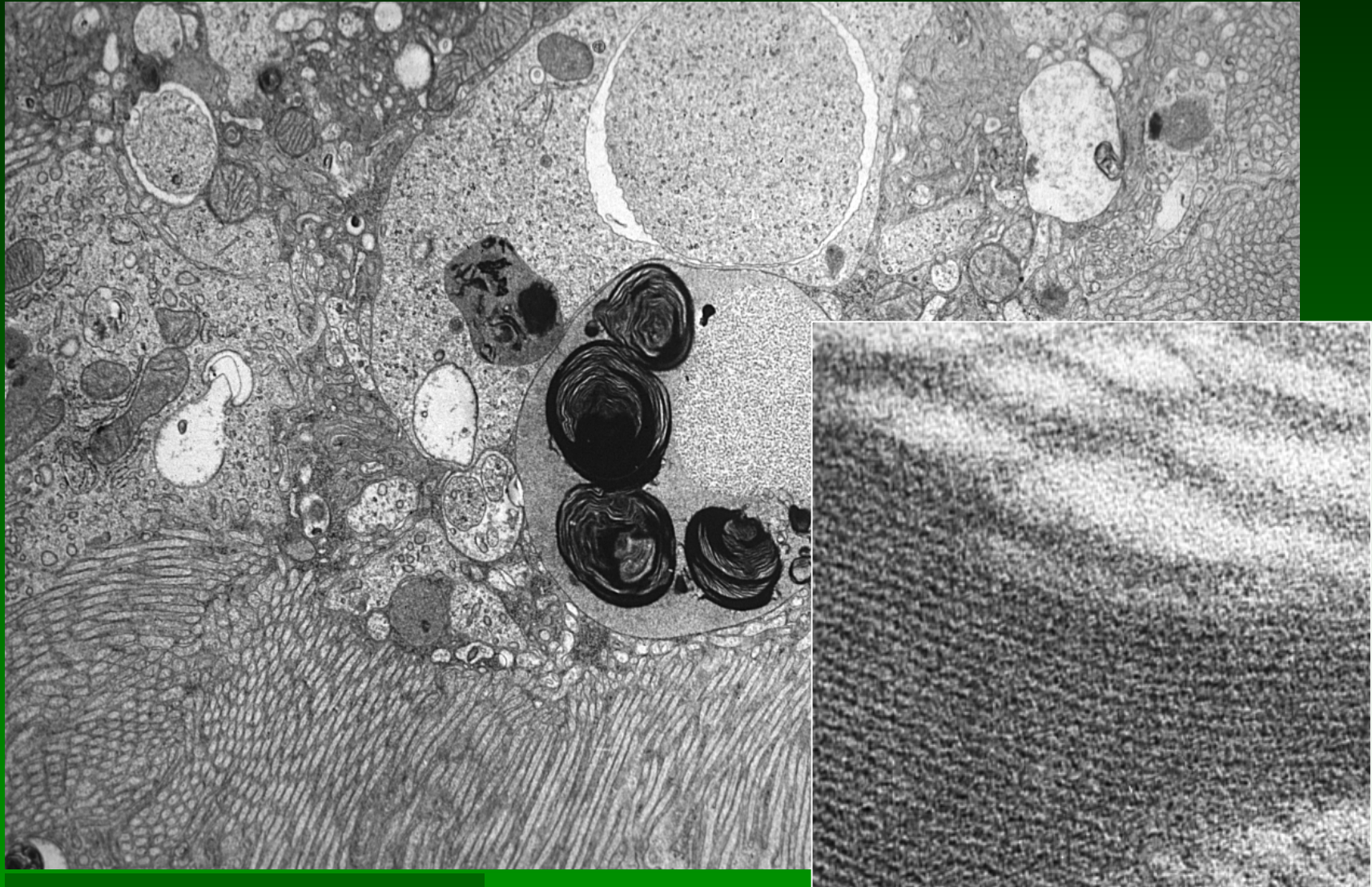
1. binding to brush border
2. accumulation in lysosomes

Intralysosomal gentamicin causes phospholipidosis



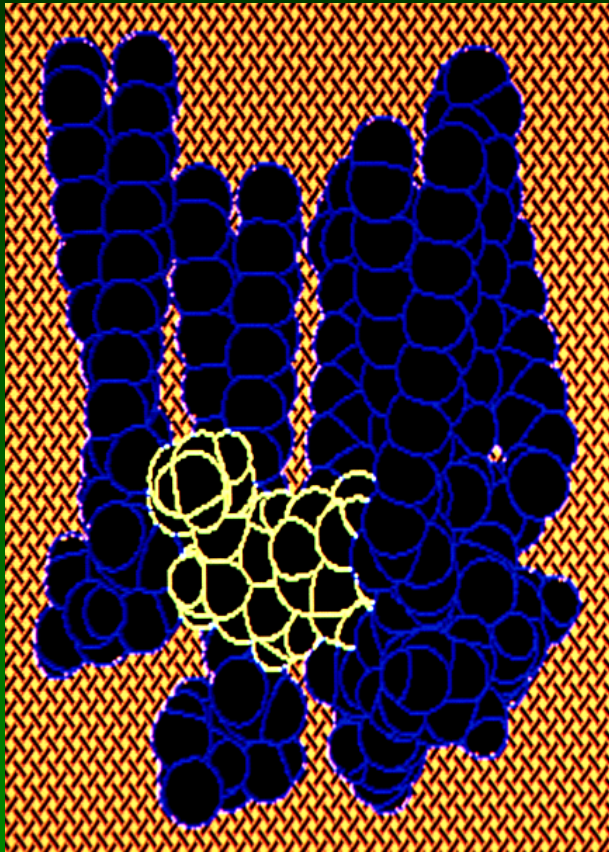
Tulkens, Am. J. Med. 80:105-114, 1986

Intralysosomal gentamicin binds to phospholipids and cause phospholipidosis



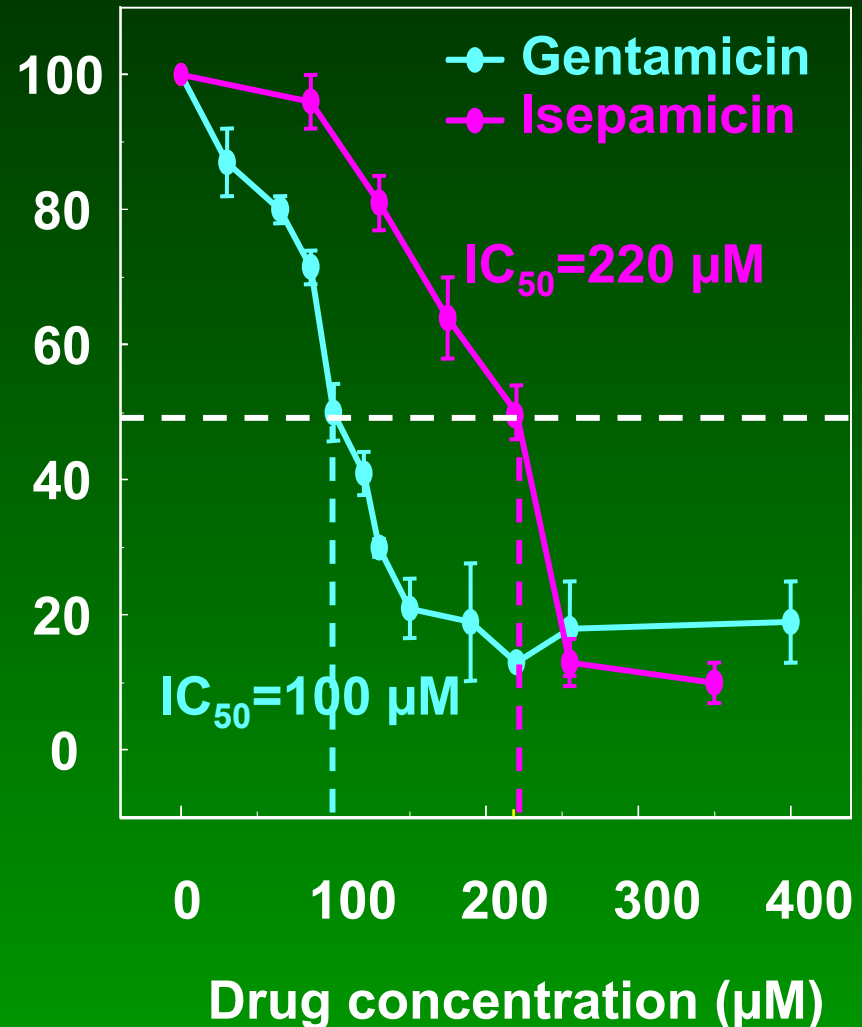
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Phospholipidosis is related to the binding of gentamicin to acidic phospholipids and subsequent inhibition of lysosomal phospholipases



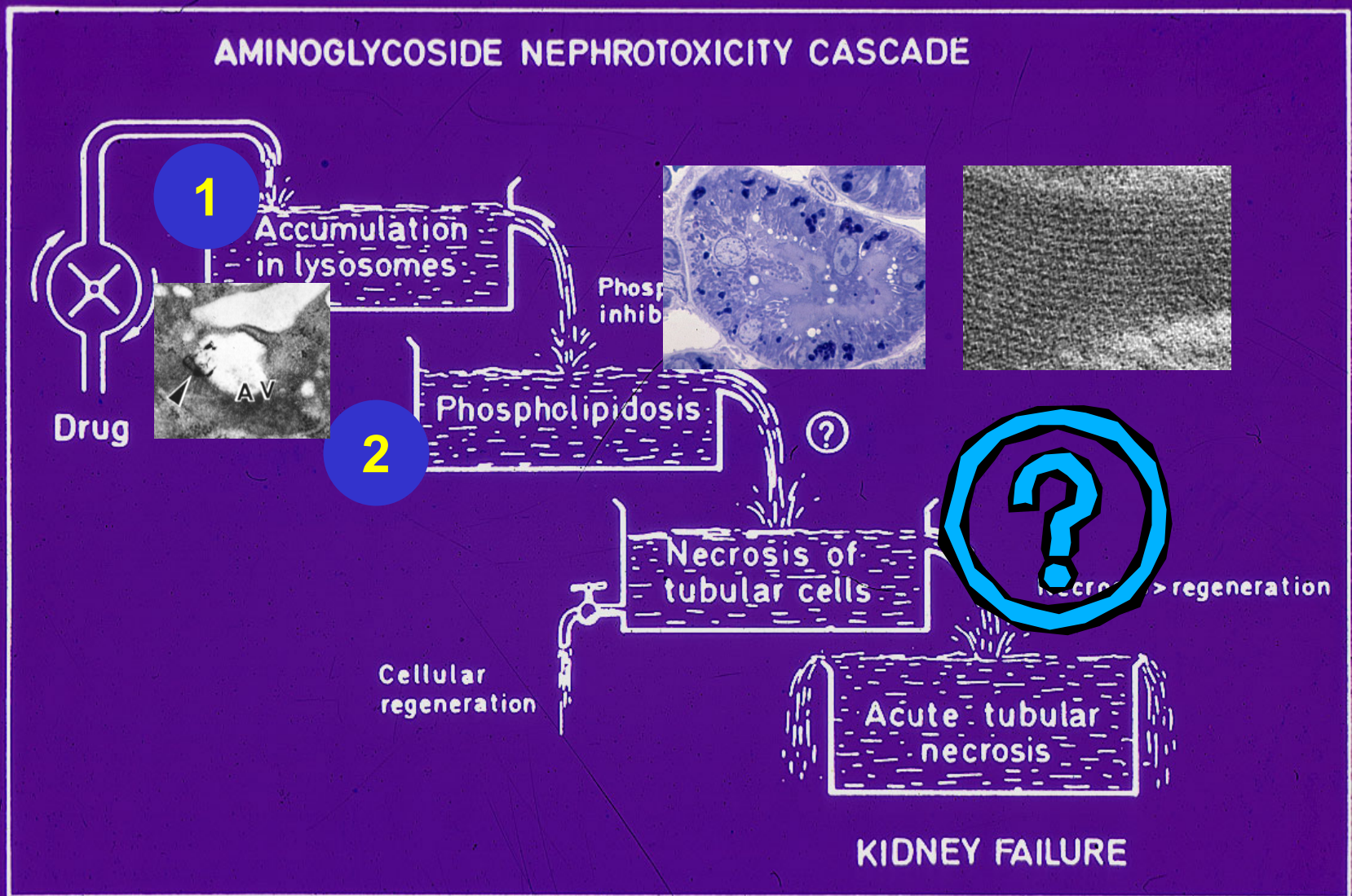
Adapted from Brasseur et al., 1989

Release of lysophosphatidylcholine
(% control)



P. Lambricht, 1991

A first global hypothesis ?...



From: **Tulkens, 1986** Amer. J Med. 80(Suppl 6B);105-114

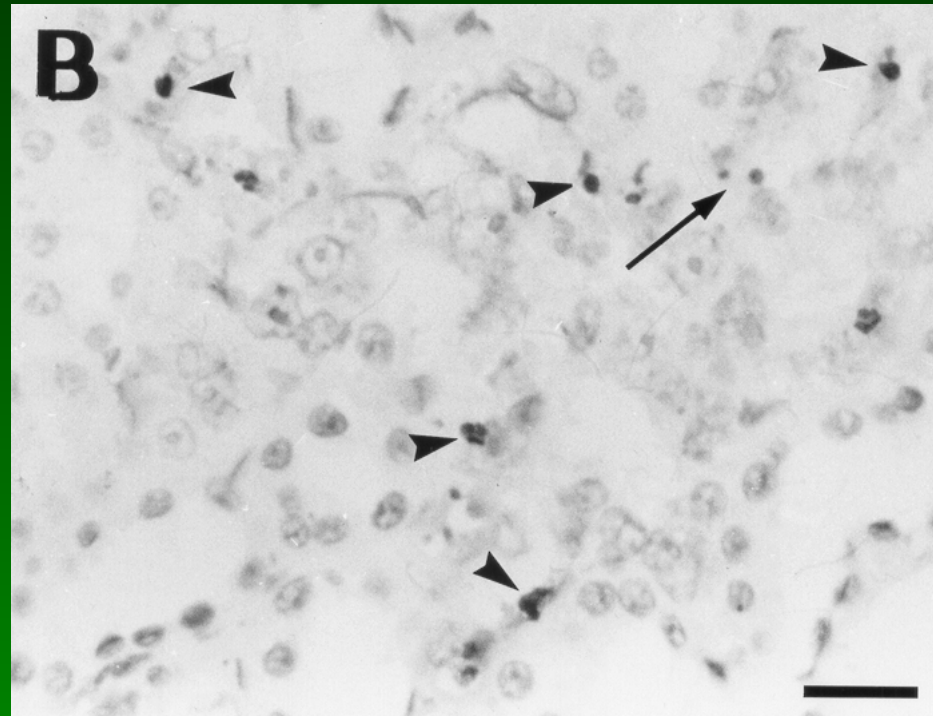
Gentamicin causes apoptosis at low, therapeutically-relevant dosages

Hematoxylin/eosin



Laurent et al.,
Antimicrob. Agents Chemother.,
24:586-593, 1983

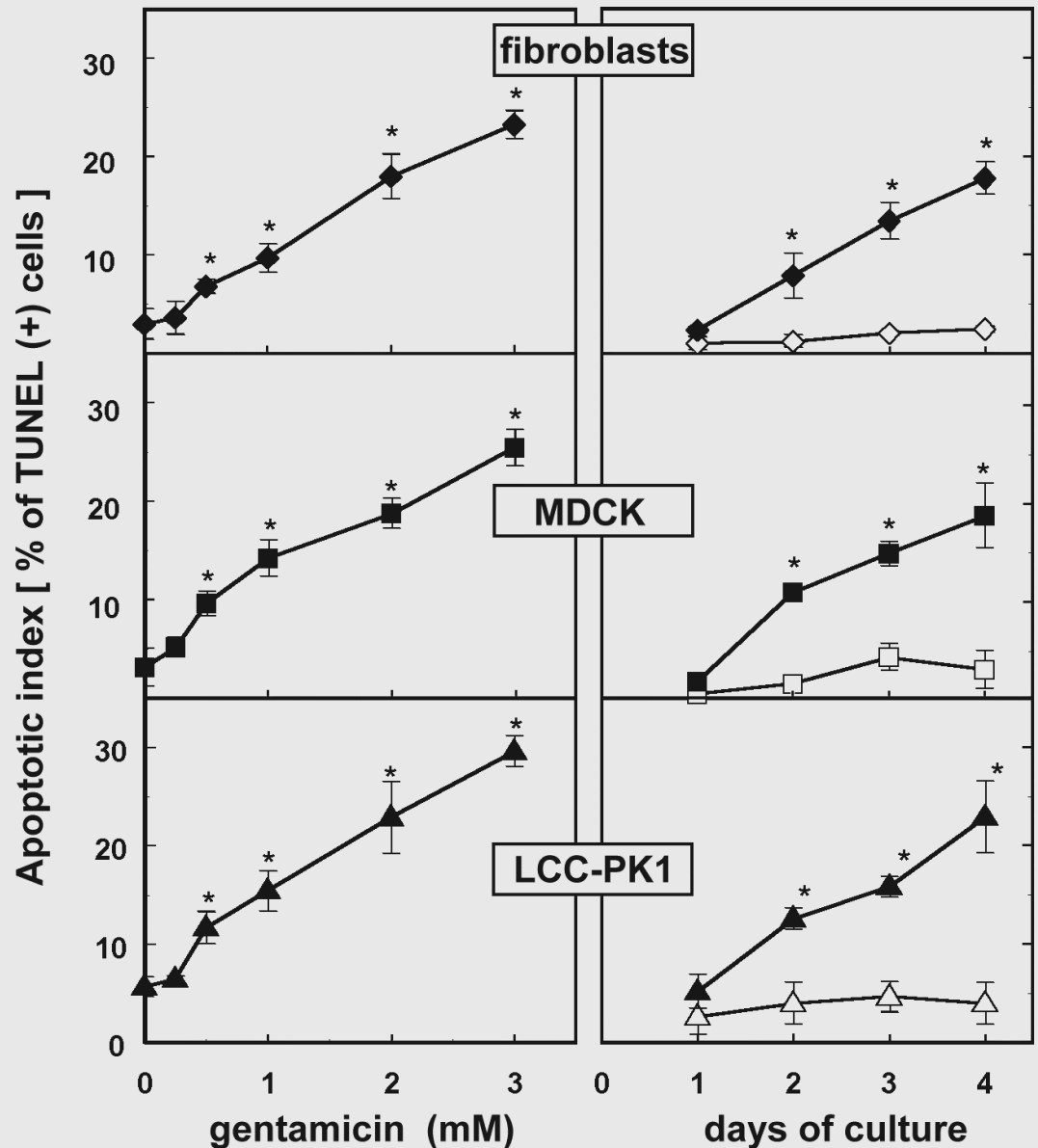
Tunel



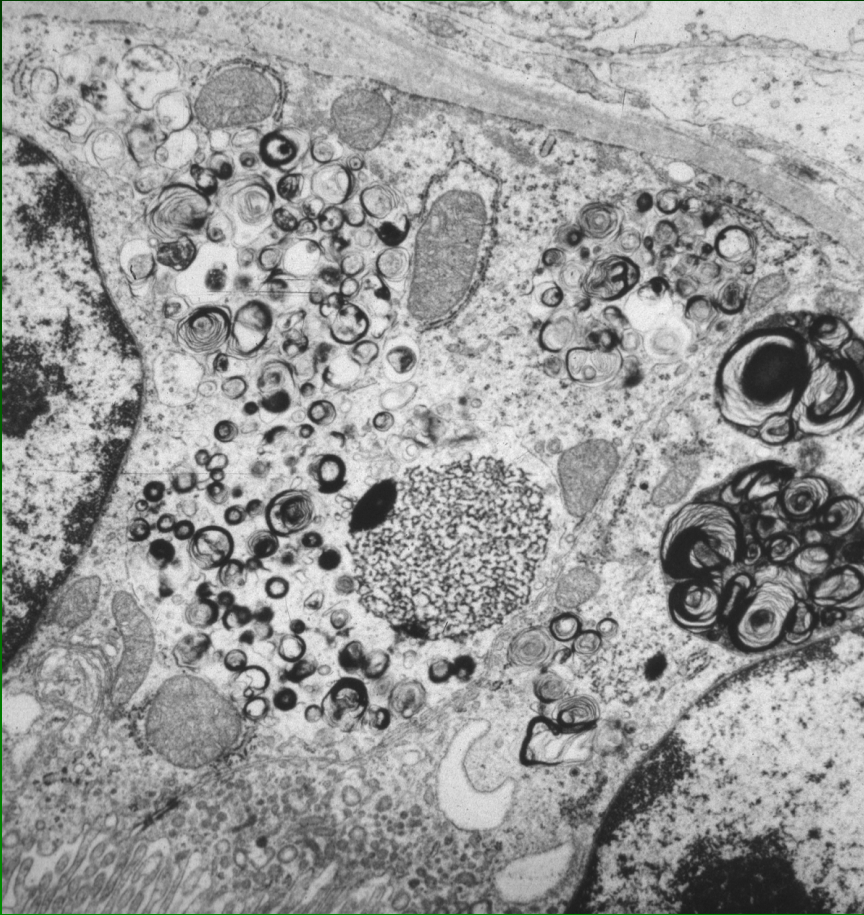
El Mouedden et al.,
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Gentamicin-induced apoptosis can be reproduced with cultured kidney and non-kidney cells ...

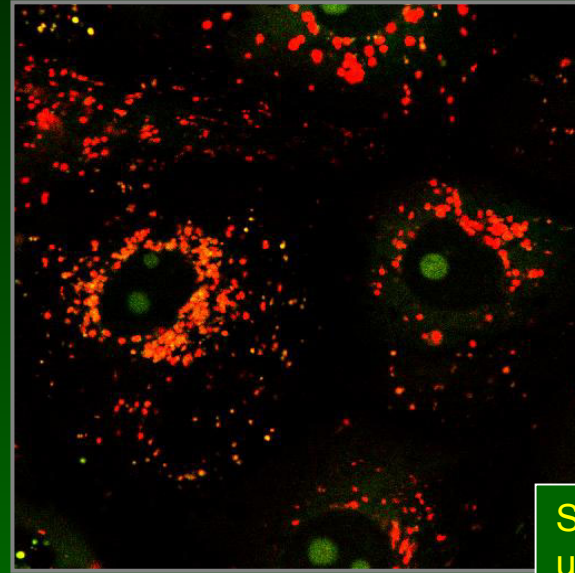
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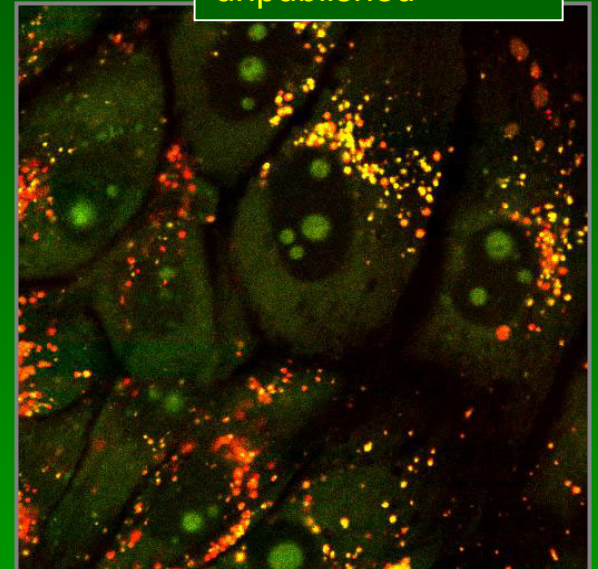
Is lysosomal rupture causing apoptosis and necrosis ?



Maldague et al., 1983

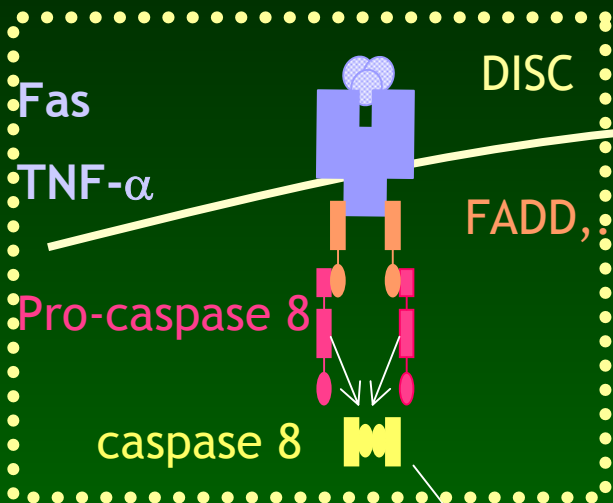


Servais et al.,
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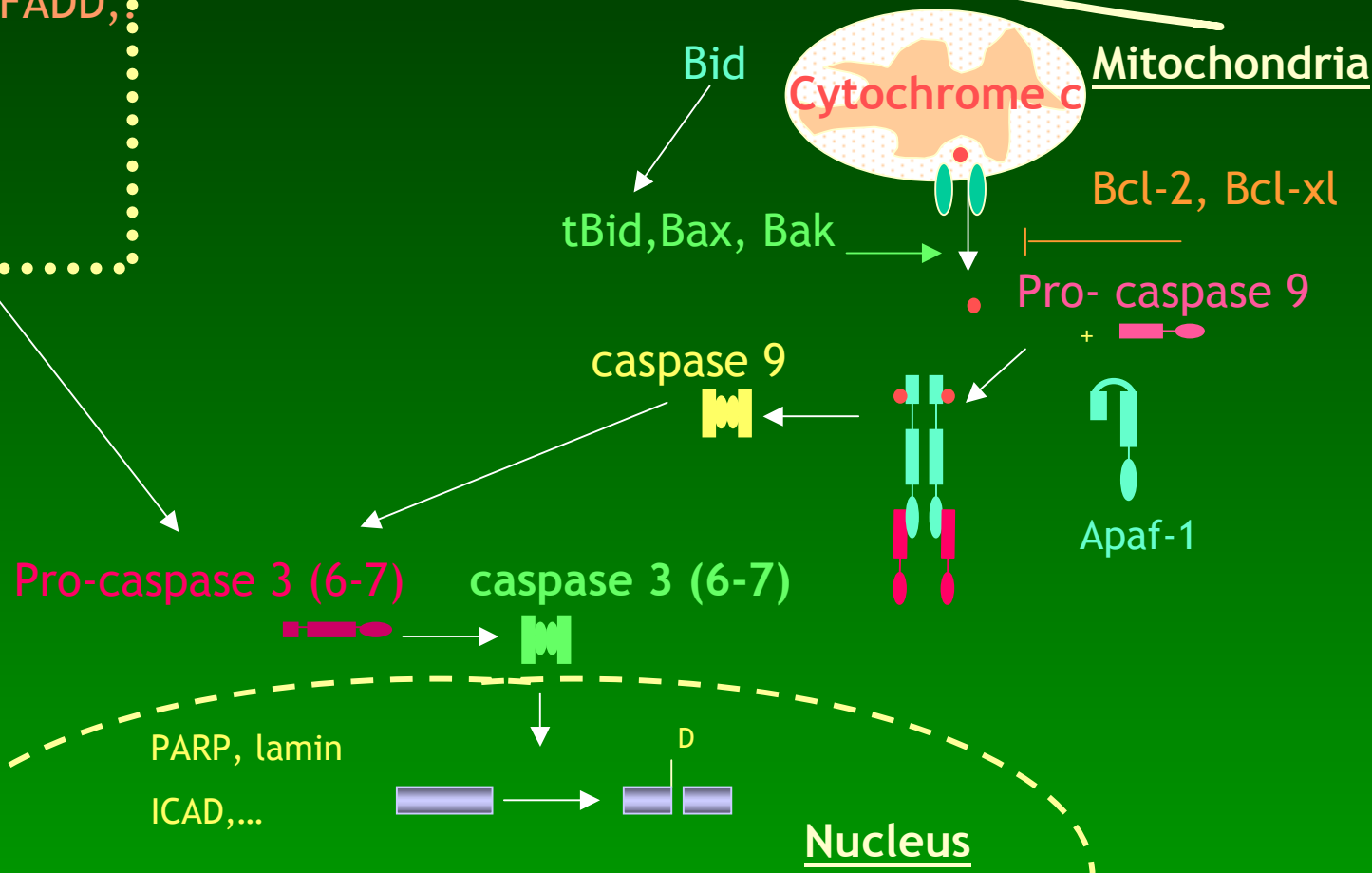


APOPTOSIS: main signaling pathways ...

Extrinsic pathway

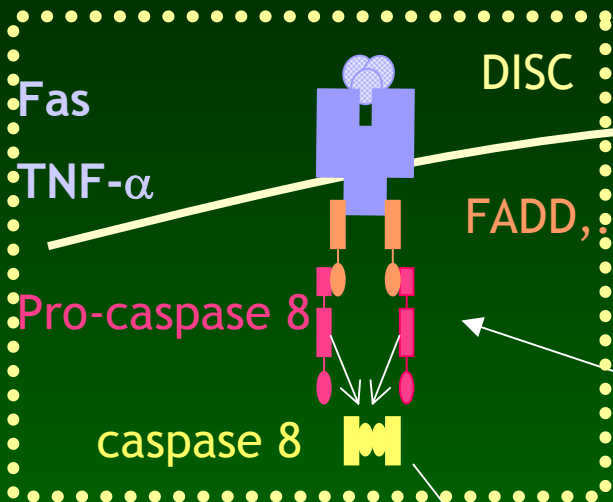


Intrinsic pathway



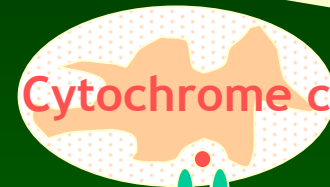
APOPTOSIS and aminoglycosides

Extrinsic pathway



Intrinsic pathway

Lysosome



Mitochondria

Pro-caspase 3 (6-7)

caspase 3 (6-7)

PARP, lamin
ICAD,...

Nucleus

Making use of this knowledge to protect patients ...

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MINIREVIEWS

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TABLE 2. Main approaches toward reduction of aminoglycoside nephrotoxicity^a

Mechanism	Compound
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Mingeot & Tulkens, Antimicrob. Agents Chemother. 43:1003-1012, 1999

TABLE 2. Main approaches toward reduction of aminoglycoside nephrotoxicity^a

Mechanism	Compound
I. Decrease or prevention of drug accumulation by kidneys	
Intracellular complexation of aminoglycosides	
Polyanionic compounds	Dextran sulfate (59) Inositol hexasulfate (67)
Acidic drugs	Piperacillin (44) Latamoxef-moxalactam (68) Fosfomicin (33, 54) Pyridoxal-5'-phosphate (114)
Competition with or decrease in aminoglycoside binding to brush border membrane	
Raising the urine pH	Bicarbonate (19, 29)
Competitors	Ca ²⁺ (diet supplementation [51] or vitamin D-induced hypercalcemia [21]) Lysine (81) Aminoglycosides (as their own competitors) (39)
Increase in exocytosis	Fleroxacin (9)
II. Prevention or decrease of lysosomal phospholipase inhibition	
Derivatives with lesser intrinsic binding ^b	
N substitution	Amikacin (75), isepamicin (133), arbekacin, ^c 1- <i>N</i> - and 6- <i>N</i> -peptidic and aminoacid derivative of kanamycin A and netilmicin (72)
Other substitution	6'-substituted kanamycin B (88)
Fluorinated derivatives ^c	5, 3'' or 3' fluoro derivatives of tobramycin, dibekacin, arbekacin, or kanamycin ^c
Disaccharidic aminoglycosides	Astromicin (fortimicin) (73) Dactimicin (2- <i>N</i> -formidoyl-astromicin) (53, 73)
Coadministration of agent preventing intralysosomal phospholipidosis	
Intralysosomal sequestration of aminoglycosides	Polyaspartic acid (55, 62)
Increase of membrane negative charge	Daptomycin (41)
Other	Tortafylline (32)
III. Protection against necrosis and other gross cellular alterations	
Antioxidants	
	Deferoxamine (11) Methimazole (24) Sairei-to (94) Vitamin E + selenium, vitamin C (1, 57) Lower copper feeding (58)
Antioxidant and multifactorial factors	Lipoic acid (107)
IV. Protection against vascular and glomerular effects	
Suppression of renin-angiotensin activation	Decoxycortisone and saline drinking (45)
Protection against Ca ²⁺ influx	Ca ²⁺ channel blockers (80)
Undefined mechanism	Platelet activation antagonists (104)
V. Increase in kidney regeneration capabilities	
Unspecific mitogenic effect	Ulinastatin (92)
Growth factors	Fibroblast growth factor 2 (78) Heparin-binding epidermal growth factor (106)

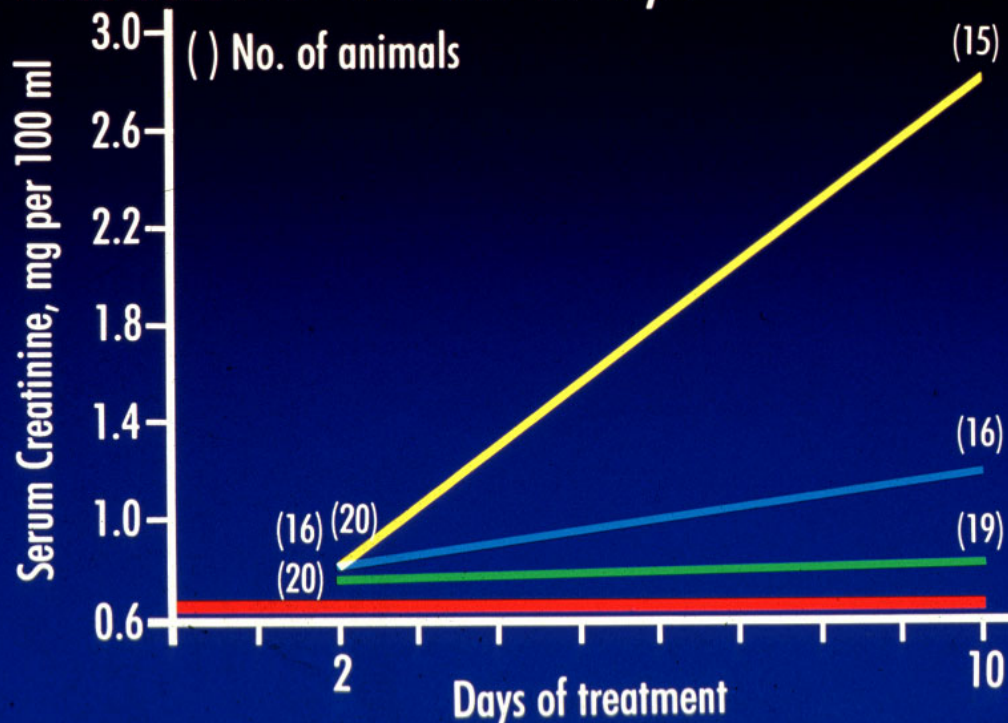
^a References refer to publications dealing with the proposed mechanism; see text for further details on the extent and characterization of the protection.^b See reference 83 for structures.^c Mechanism is assumed on the basis of the substitution made (see reference 83 for a discussion and references to original papers), but it has not actually examined.

A long list...

Mingeot & Tulkens,
Antimicrob. Agents
Chemother. 43:1003-
1012, 1999

Aminoglycoside toxicity is **not** linked to peak ...

Serum concentration of creatinine (mean \pm SE) in rats after administration of 40 mg of gentamicin/kg per day in one, two, or three doses for two and 10 days.

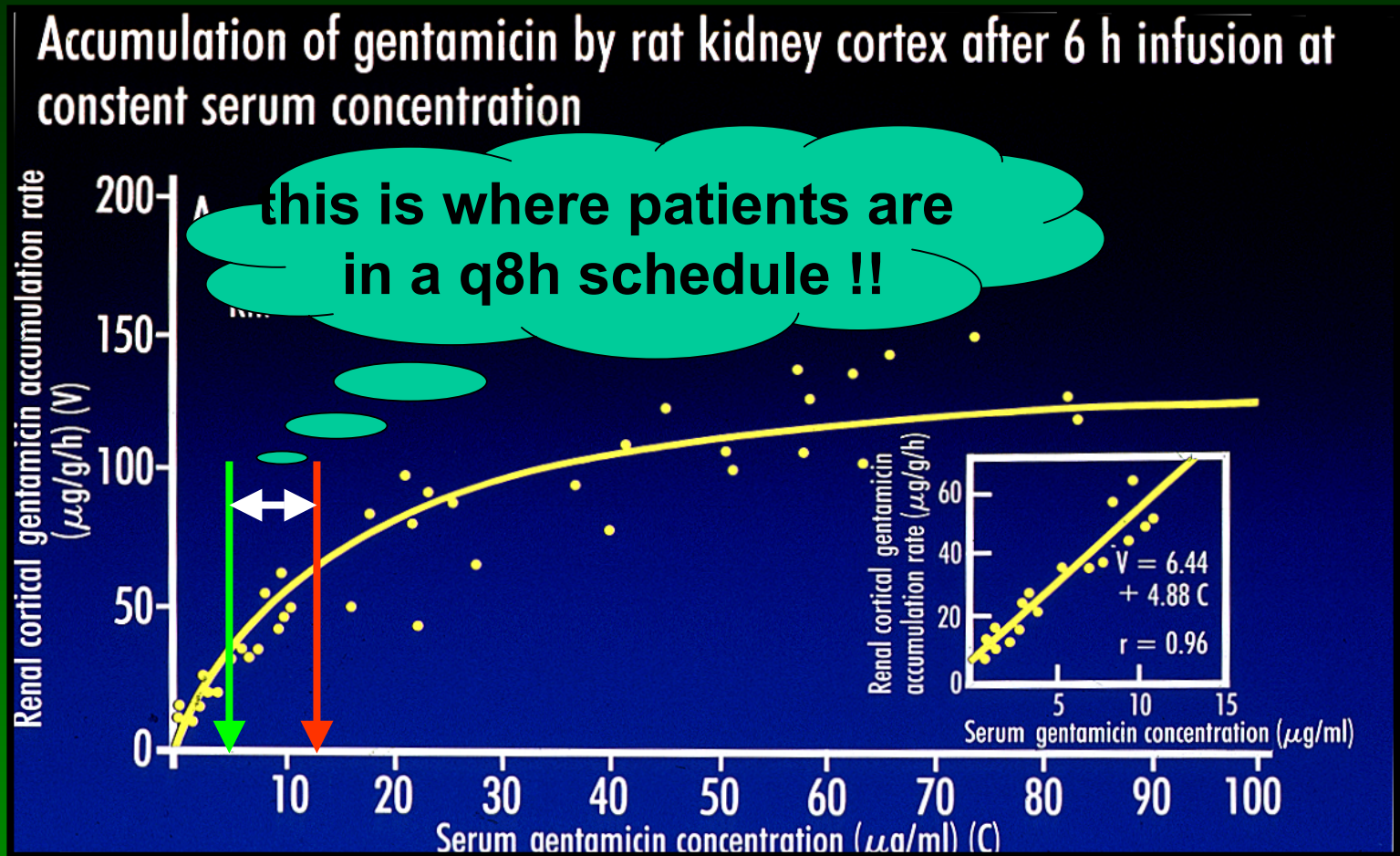


From Bennett et al, J. Infect. Dis., 1979

**daily dose
divided in :**

- Three doses/day
- Two doses/day
- One dose/day
- Serum Creatinine
Mean \pm 2 SE for
77 Control Rats

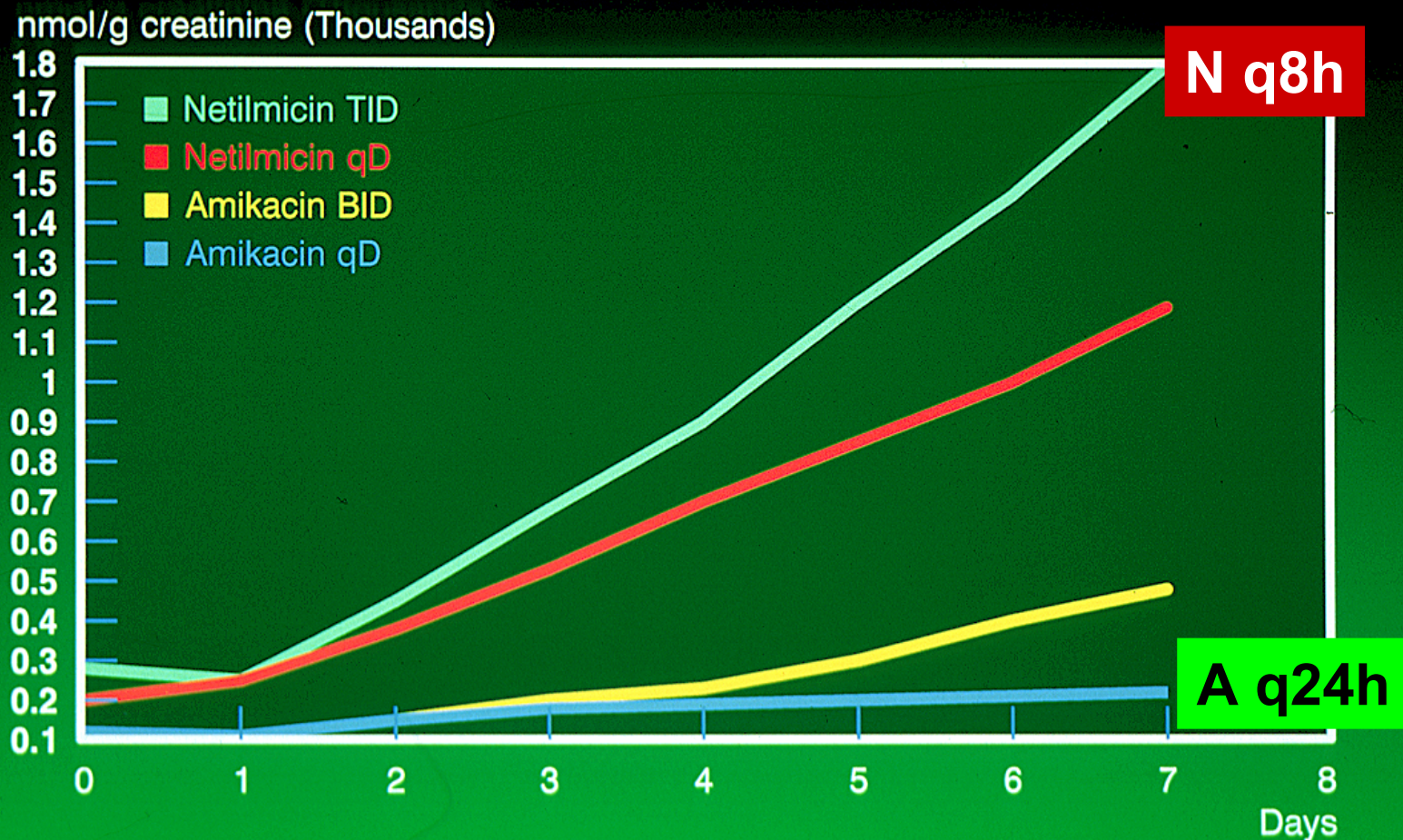
Aminoglycoside accumulation in kidney is saturable at clinically meaningful concentrations * ...



* Giuliano *et al.*, J. Pharm. Exp. Ther., 1986

Phospholipiduria ...

URINARY EXCRETION OF PHOSPHATIDYLINOSITOL



Tulkens et al., 1989

And auditory alterations ...

no. of patients [over 20 in each group] with lesions* and total no. of frequencies affected

low tone (0.25-8 kHz)

high tone (10-18 kHz)

amikacin

- q24h
- q12h

1 (1)
0

3 (4)
6 (6)

netilmicin

- q24h
- q8h

0
2 (3)

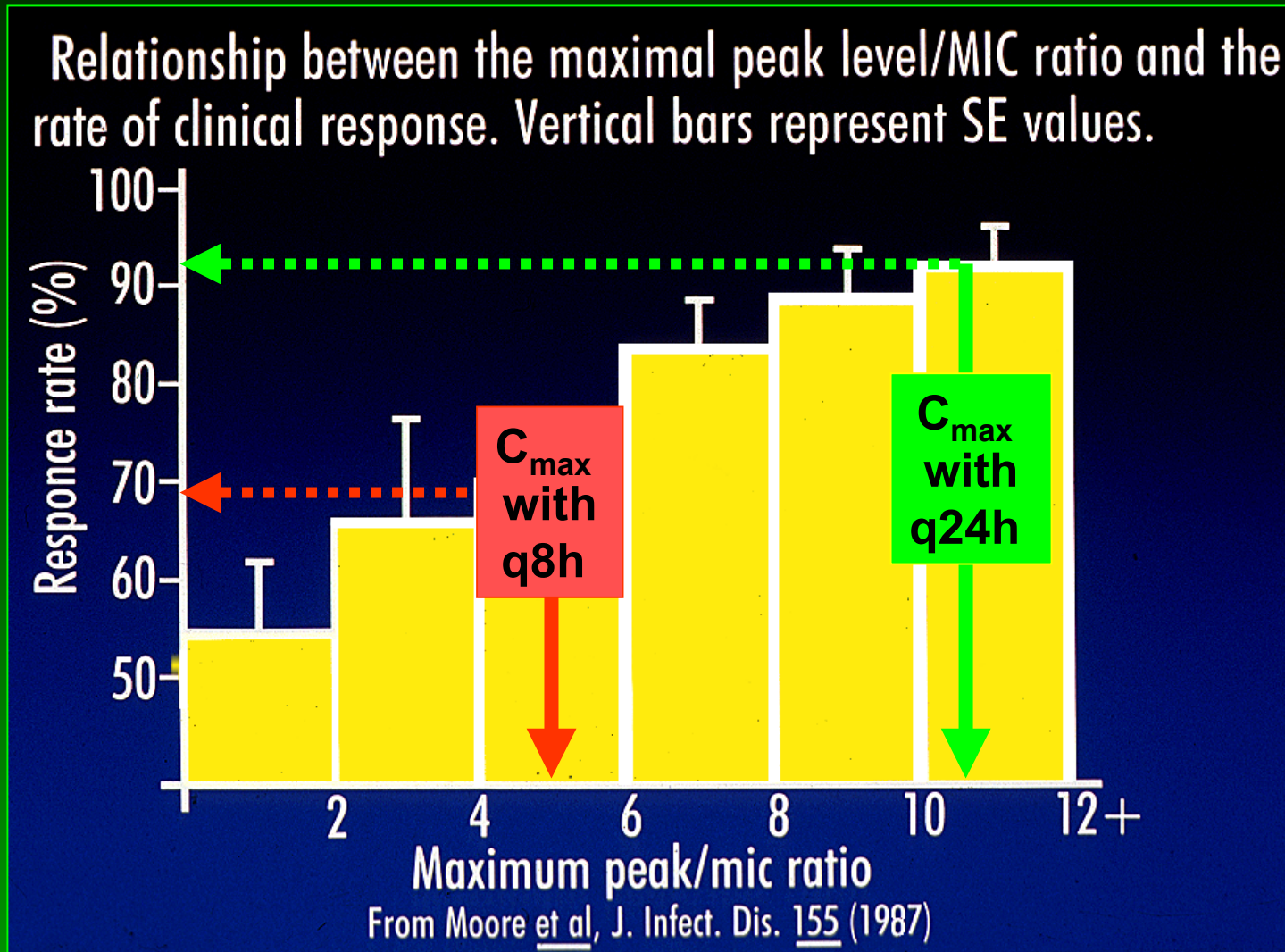
3 (7)
8 (9)

this is where
most of the
toxicity is ...

* loss of 15dB or more over baseline(max. loss recorded: 30 dB)

Tulkens et al., 1989

Aminoglycoside peak /MIC ratio is predictive of clinical efficacy



Is the once-a-day schedule used ?

Clin Infect Dis 2000 Mar;30(3):433-9

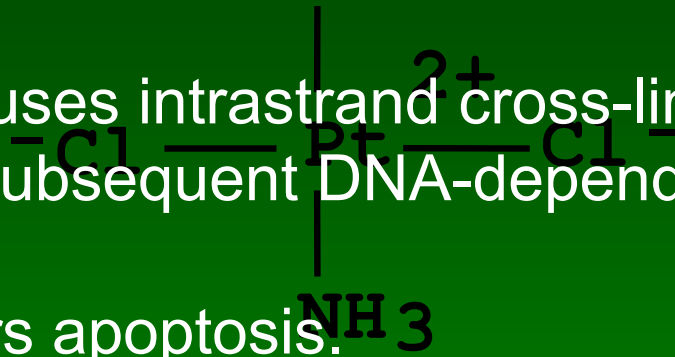
National survey of extended-interval aminoglycoside dosing (EIAD).

Chuck SK, Raber SR, Rodvold KA, Areff D.

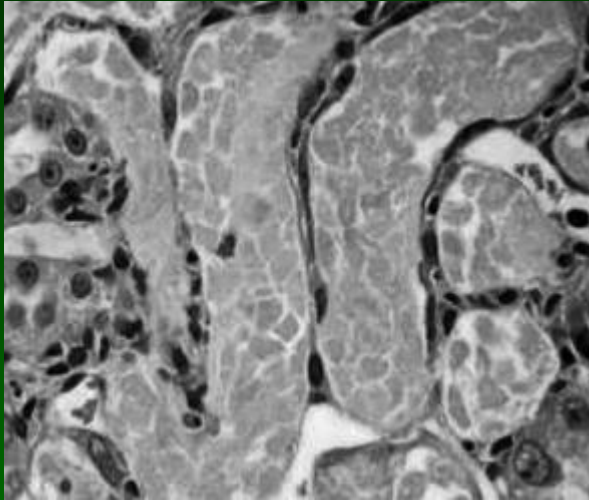
- **500 acute care hospitals in the United States**
- **EIAD adopted in 3 of every 4 acute care hospitals**
 - 4-fold increase since 1993
 - written guidelines for EIAD in 64% of all hospitals
- **rationale**
 - 87.1% : equal or less toxicity
 - 76.9% : equal efficacy
 - 65.6% :cost-savings
- **dose: > 5 mg/Kg**
- **47% used extended interval in case of decline in renal function (38% with Hartford nomogram)**

And what bout cis-platin now ...

- induces a more chronic type of renal failure, mostly in S3 segment
- with large focal necrosis, cyst formation and marked interstitial proliferation and fibrosis.
- Cis-platin causes intrastrand cross-linking in DNA, blocking all subsequent DNA-dependent activities.
- It also triggers apoptosis.
- Compared to AG, post-necrosis and post-apoptotic regeneration seem largely impaired in cis-platin renal toxicity.

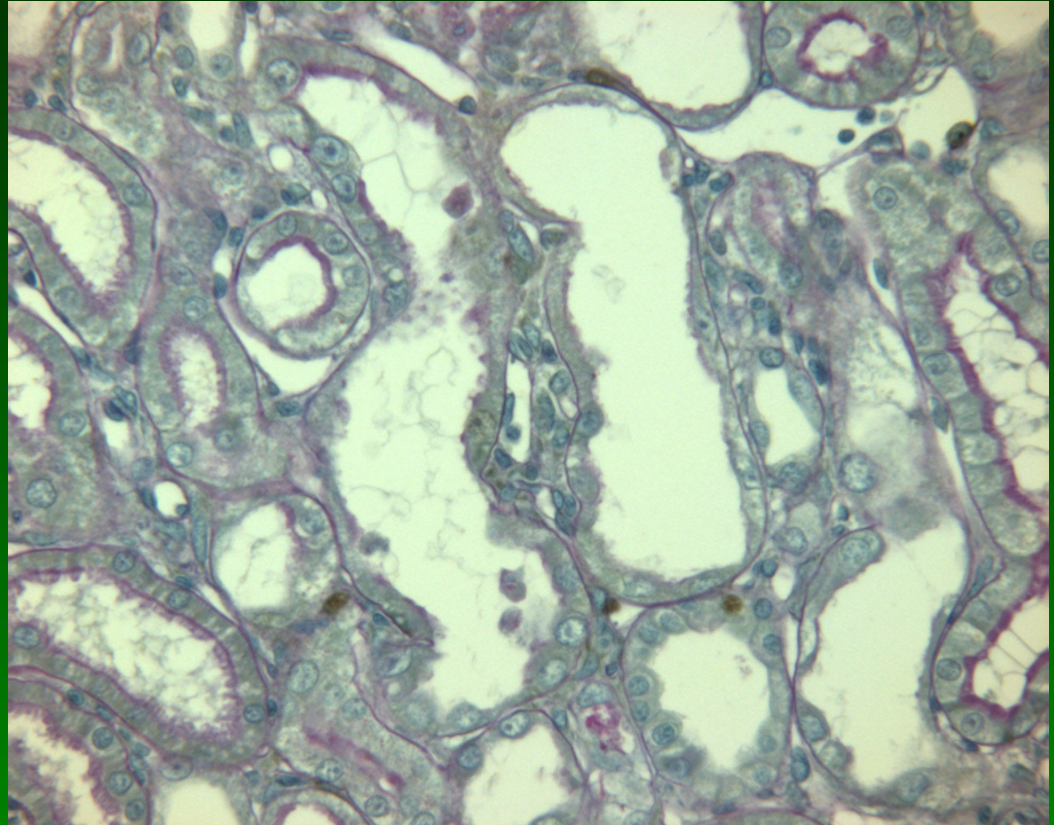


Cisplatin induces widespread tubular necroses and destruction



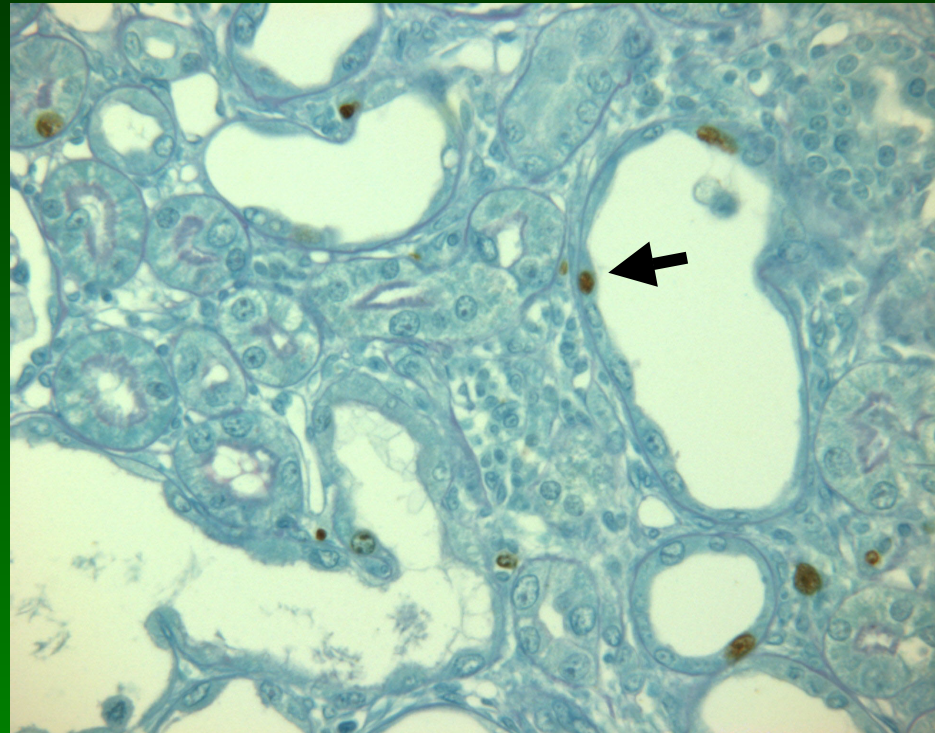
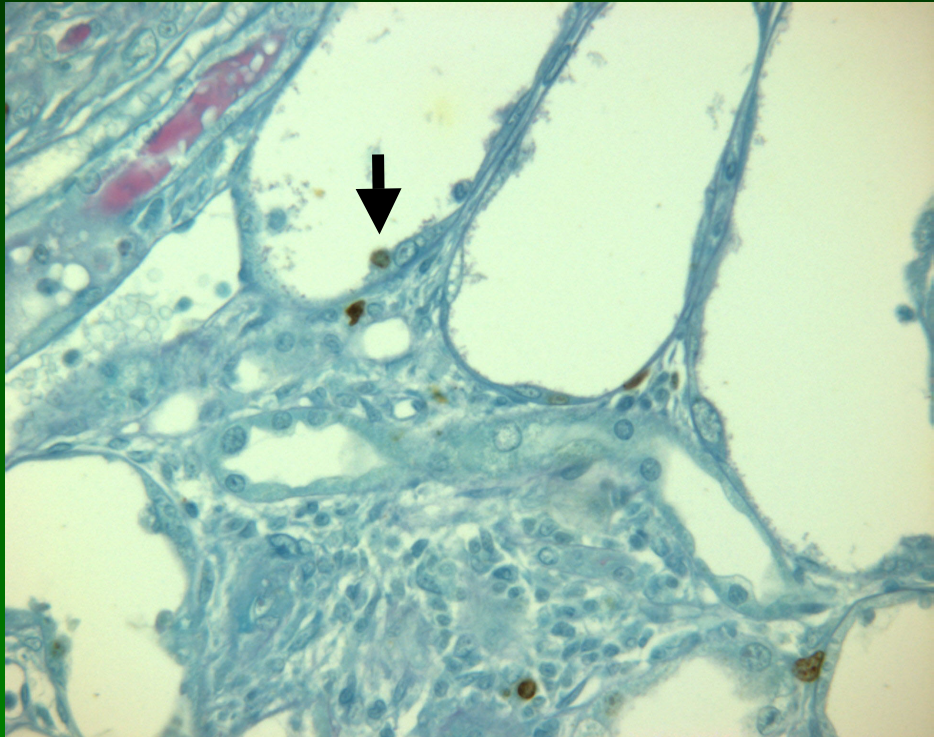
5 days after a single
5 mg/kg body weight
injection

From: Sheikh-Hamad et al.,
Arch Toxicol. 2003



7 days after a single 8 mg/kg body weight injection
Coutesy of G. Laurent

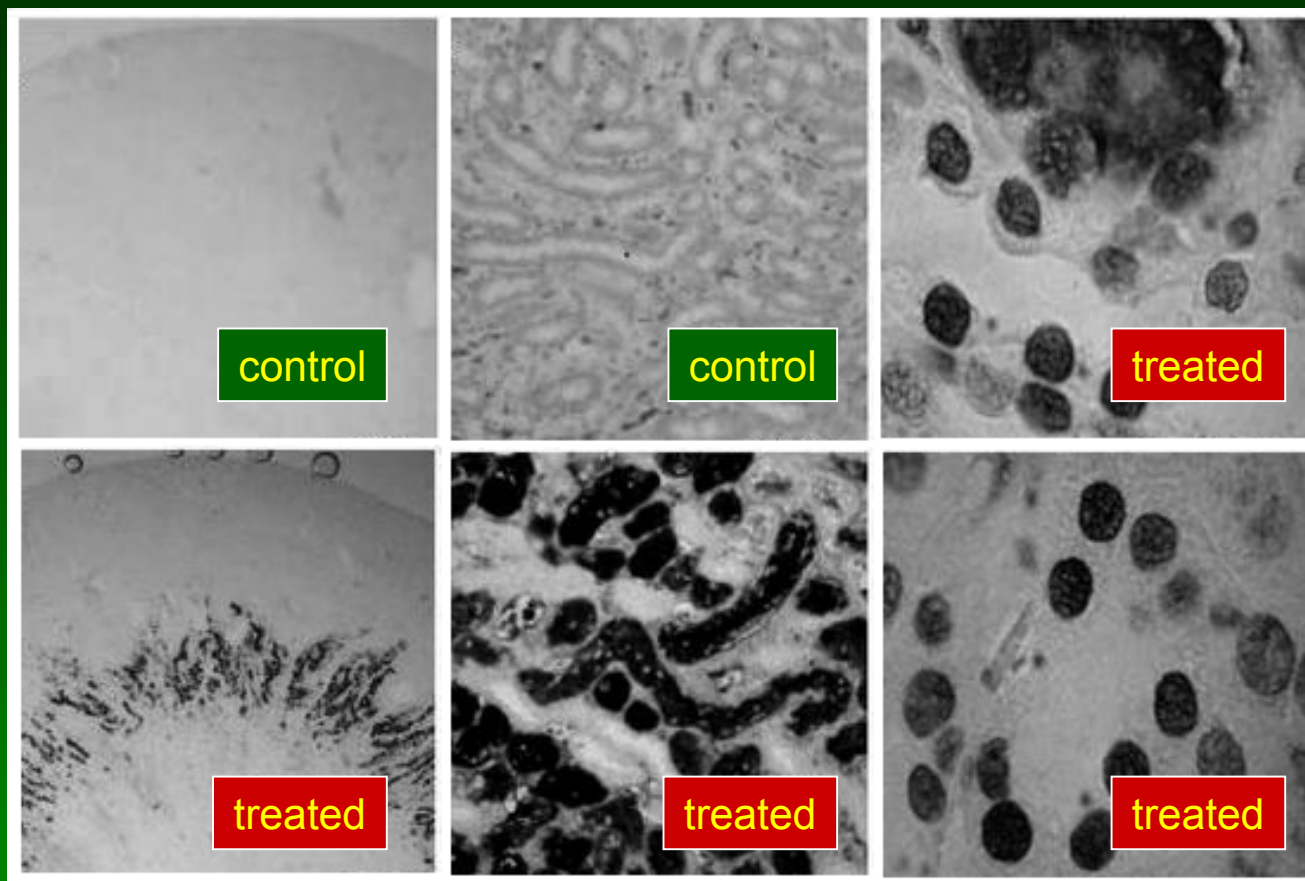
Cyst formation and failing regeneration...



21 days after a single 8 mg/kg body weight injection
(BdU-PAP staining)
Courtesy of G. Laurent, 2004

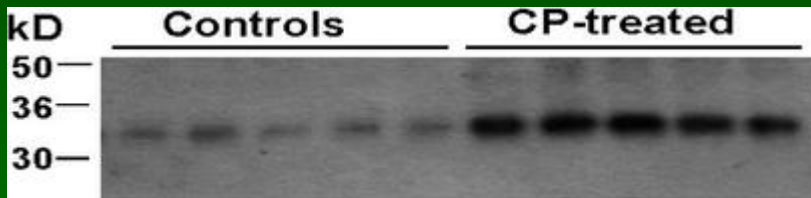
But also extended apoptosis ...

Tunel staining

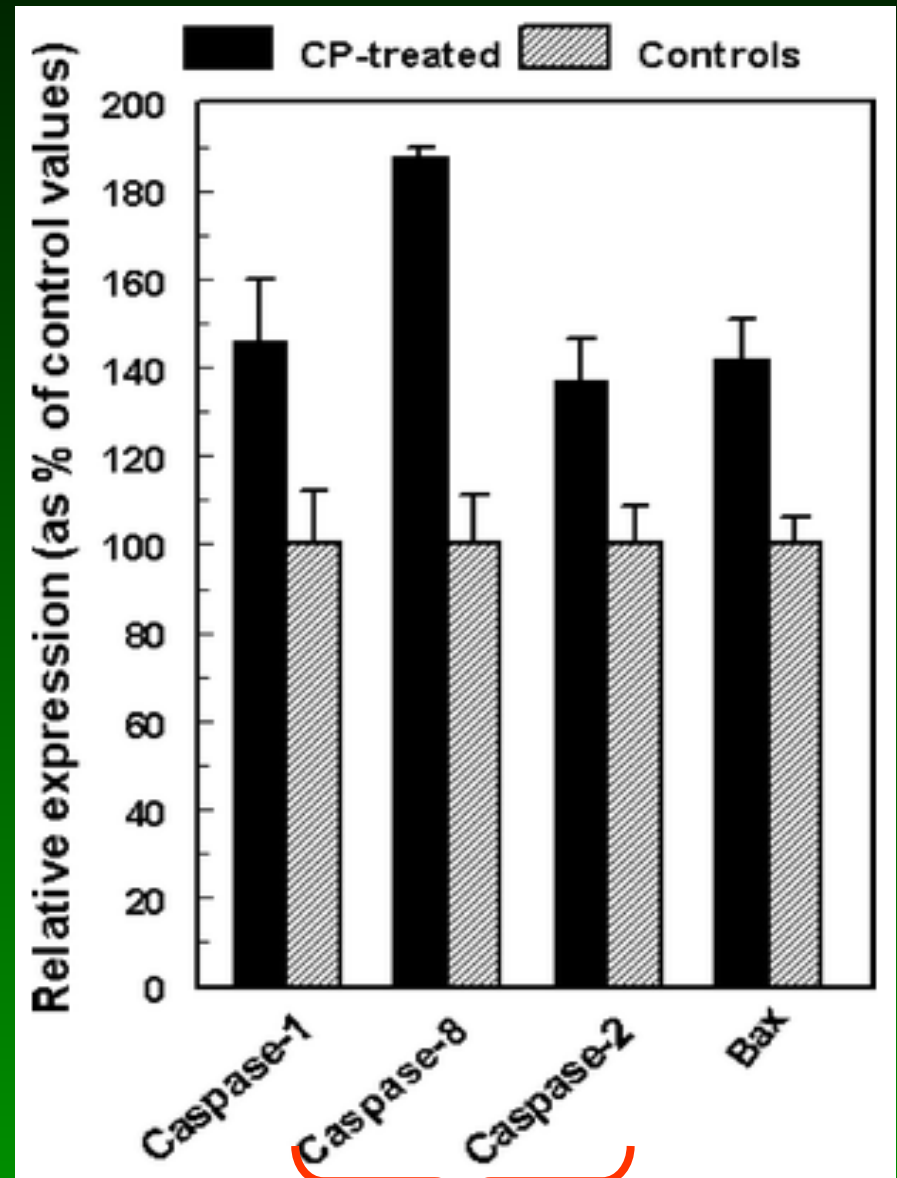


Sheikh-Hamad et al., Arch Toxicol. 2003 Oct 10 [Epub ahead of print]

through caspase
activation ...



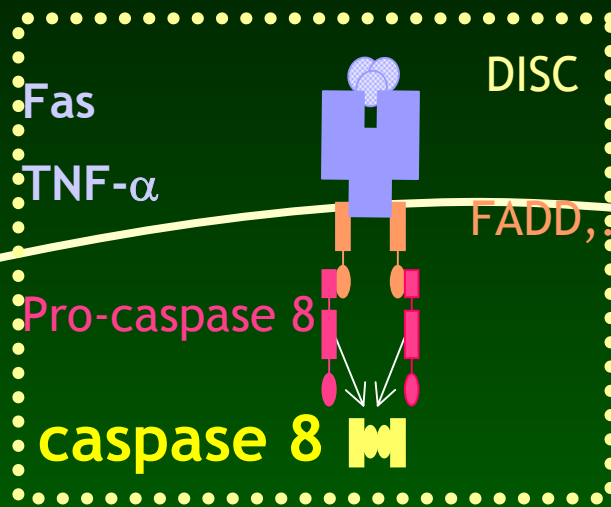
Caspase 3
(executioner)



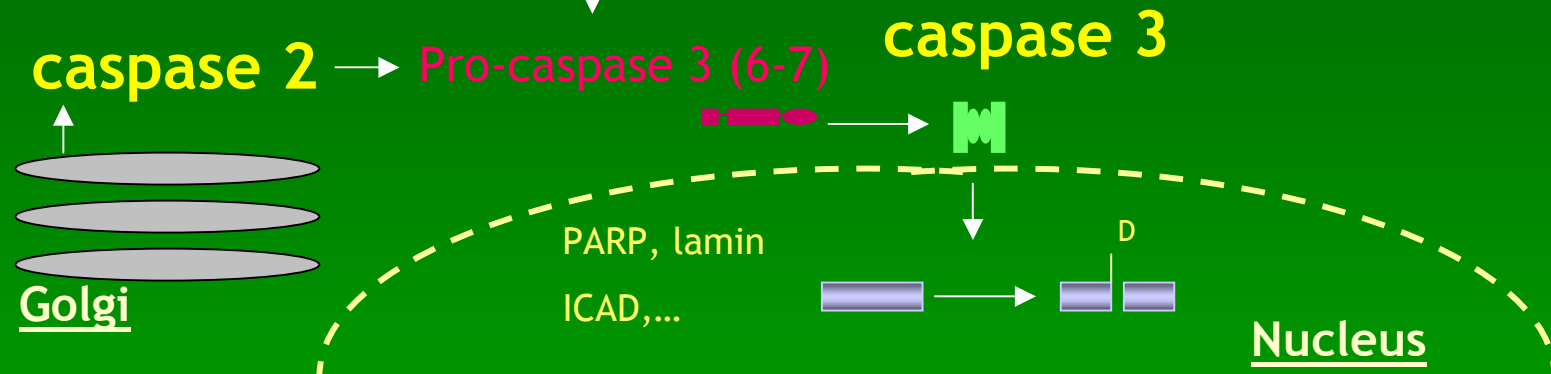
activators

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Extrinsic pathway



APOPTOSIS:
Signaling
pathway for
cis-platin ?



Towards a mechanism of toxicity ...

- platinum is accumulated by renal tissue against a concentration gradient.
- it is thought to produce renal damage because of interaction with renal sulfhydryl (SH) groups and ensuing depletion of SH groups (and the same mechanism may be operating in cochlea)

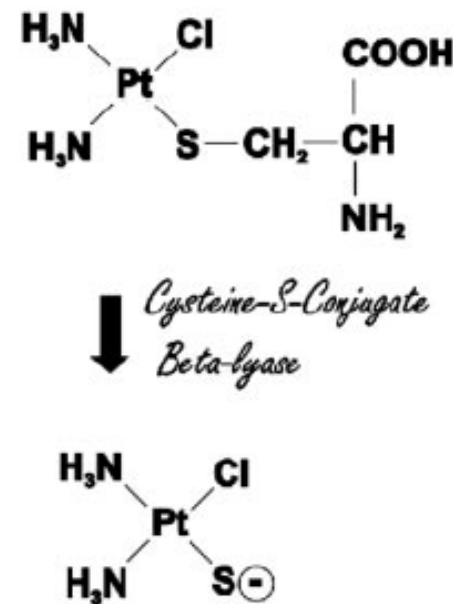
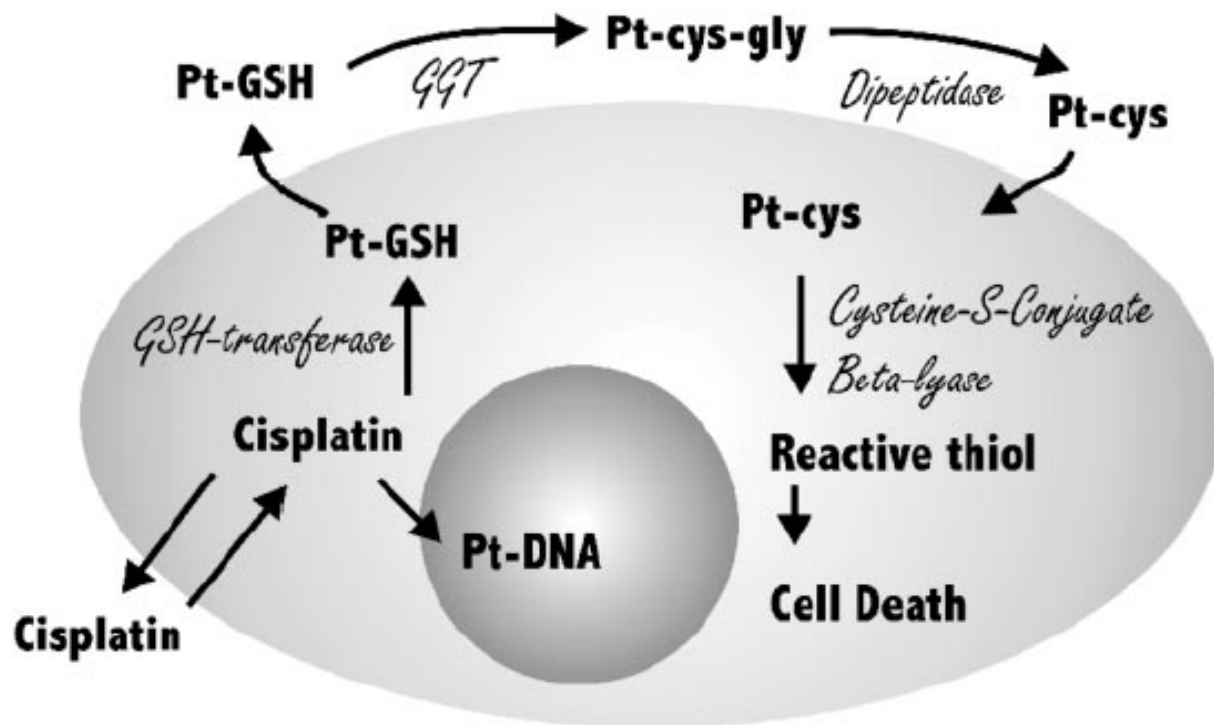
Dobyan et al., 1980; Weiner et al., 1983; Singh et al., 1988; Ravi et al., 1995; Townsend et al., 2003

Towards a mechanism of toxicity ...

- the stereoisomer trans-platin is not toxic ...
- cisplatin may be activated in the kidney to a toxic metabolite through the same pathway that has been shown to activate the halogenated alkenes.
- Inhibition of cysteine-S-conjugate beta-lyase reduces toxicity in cultured cells

Dobyan et al., 1980; Weiner et al., 1983; Singh et al., 1988; Ravi et al., 1995; Townsend et al., 2003

Mechanism ...

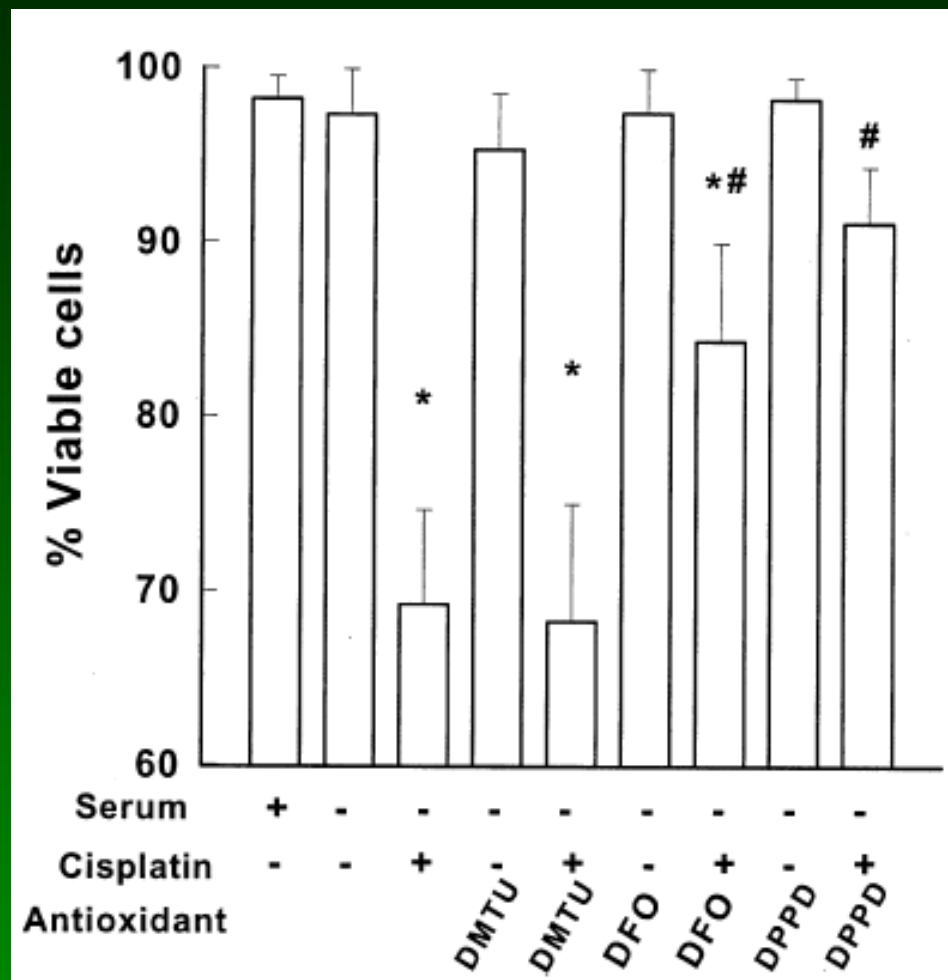


Proposed pathway based on the metabolism of the glutathione-conjugates of the halogenated-alkenes to nephrotoxins (Anders and Dekant, 1998). This mechanism distinguishes toxicity towards dividing cells (anticancer effect) and quiescent cells (nephrotoxicity). The key and final event is the conversion to a highly reactive thiol by cysteine S-conjugate β -lyase. From Zhang & Hanigan, J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther. 306:988-994, 2003

Towards a protection by antioxidants...

Effects of antioxidants on cisplatin-induced cytotoxicity in M-1 cells (treated for 2 hr with 0.5 mM cisplatin) and with:

- 30 μ M DMTU (dimethylthiourea)
- 50 μ M DFO (deferoxamine)
- 10 μ M DPPD (diphenyl-p-phenylene-diamine)



R.H. Lee et al., Biochem. Pharmacol. 62:1013-1023, 2001

and also in
animals ...

PHARMACOKINETIC-TOXICODYNAMICS OF CISPLATIN

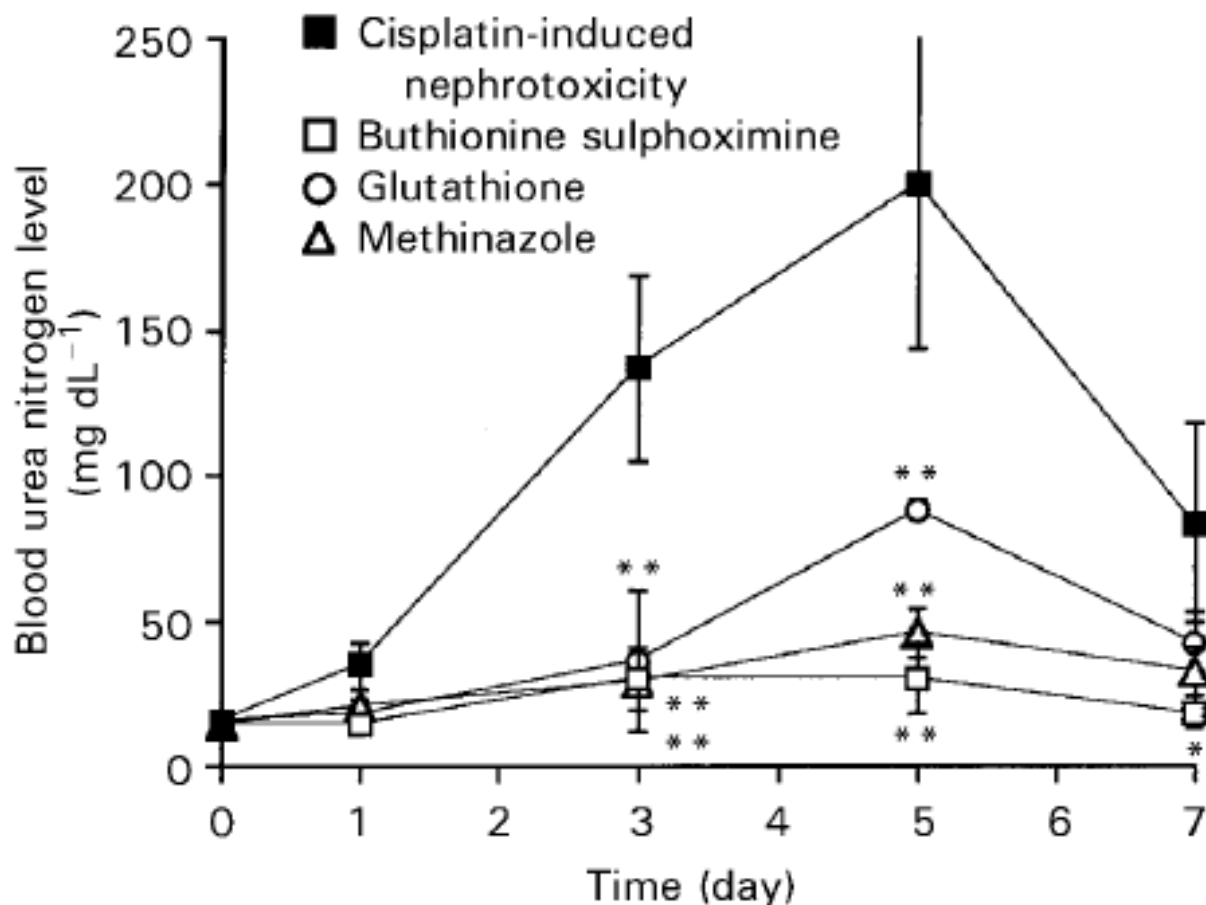
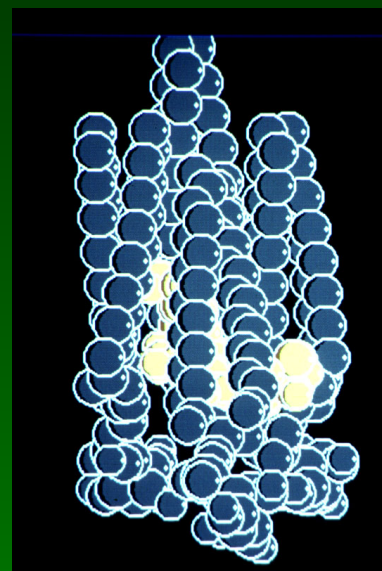


Figure 1. Effects of buthionine sulfoximine, glutathione and methimazole on cisplatin-induced nephrotoxicity in rats. Each point represents the mean \pm s.d. (n = 4). ** $P < 0.01$ compared with cisplatin.

K. Hanada et al.
J. Pharm. Pharmacol.
2000, 52:1483-90

Thanking people for work on aminoglycosides... and a bit on cis-platin ...

Starting very basically in the early 80's ...



**G. Laurent
M.B. Carlier
R. Brasseur
J.M. Ruysschaert**

Aminoglycosides...

The once-a-day story...

***with also a lot of histopathology, rat killing and
urine collection ...***



In the late 80's ...

**S. Ibrahim
P. Maldague
L. Giurgea
F. Renoird
M.C. Cambier
G. Laurent
D. Beauchamp**

and

**F. Clerckx-Braun (FATC)
J. Donnez (St Luc)
M.P. Mingeot
P. Lambricht
R. Wagner
B. Rollmann (CHAM)
P. Herman (SP-Belg.)
M.E. De Broe (UZ-UIA)
G. Verpooten (UZ-UIA)
A. Giuliano (UZ-UIA)
B. Kaufman (VUB)
B. Derde (VUB)**

*And here is a next generation,
and they work(ed) on a lot of things ...*



M.P. Mingeot
F. Van Bambeke

phospholipidosis

polyaspartic acid



B.K. Kishore
Z. Kallay



apoptosis