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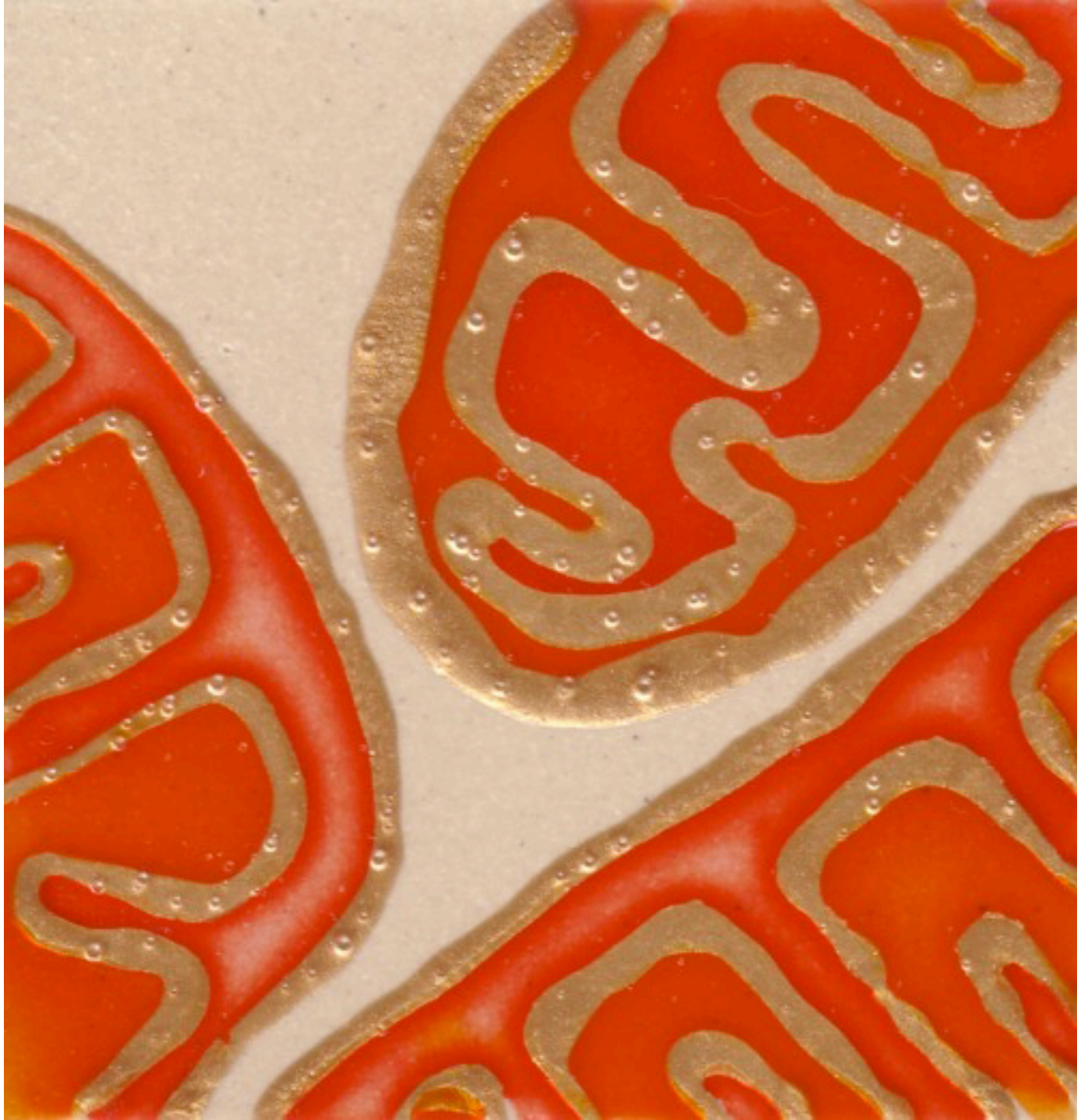
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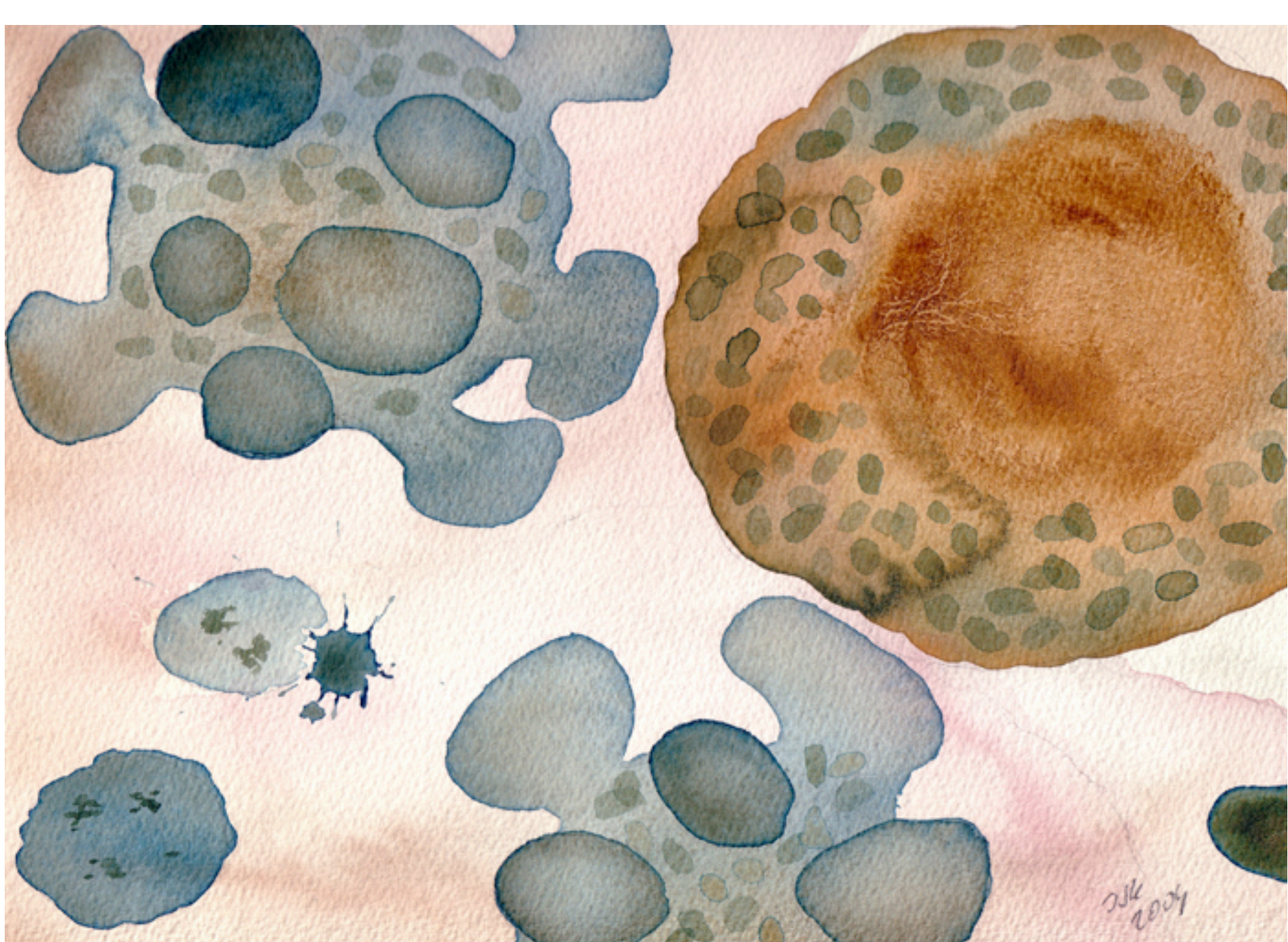
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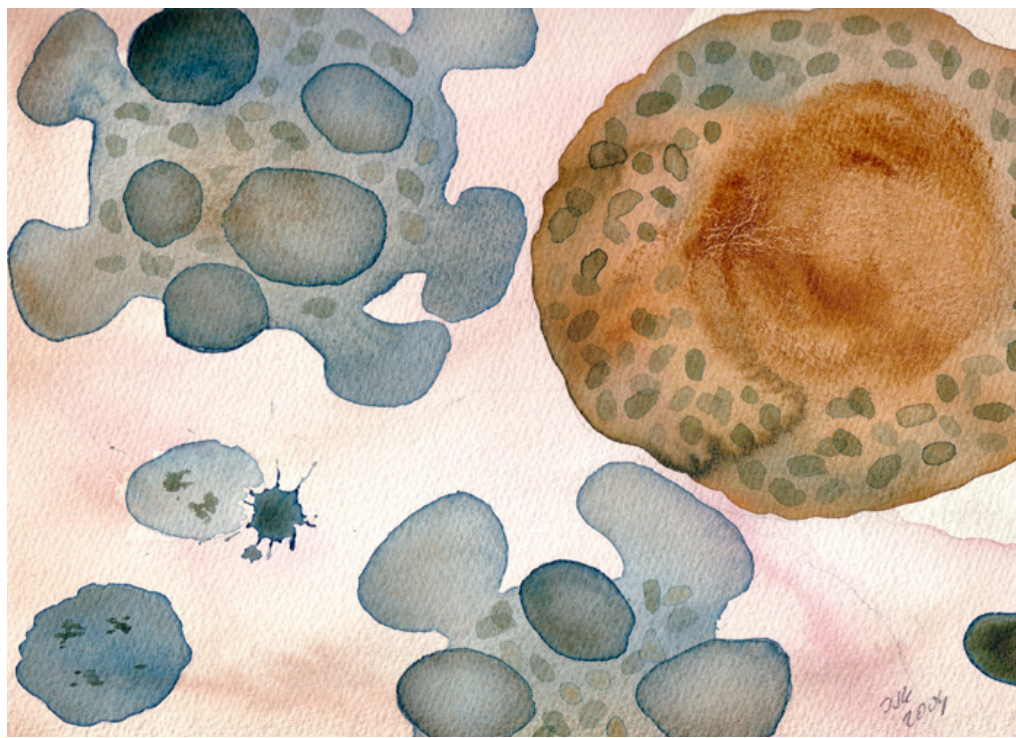
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Death by apoptosis—mitochondria determine whether a cell lives or dies by enforced suicide

When cells in the body become worn out or damaged, they die by enforced suicide, or apoptosis. The cell blebs, is packaged up, and reabsorbed. If the mechanisms controlling apoptosis fail, the result is cancer, a conflict of interest between cells and the body as a whole. Apoptosis seems to be necessary for the integrity and cohesion of multicellular individuals, but how did once-independent cells come to accept death for the greater good? Today apoptosis is policed by mitochondria, and the machinery of death was inherited from their bacterial ancestors, suggesting a history of murder. So was the cohesion of the individual forged in deadly conflict.

*Complex II structure....
and location of genes*

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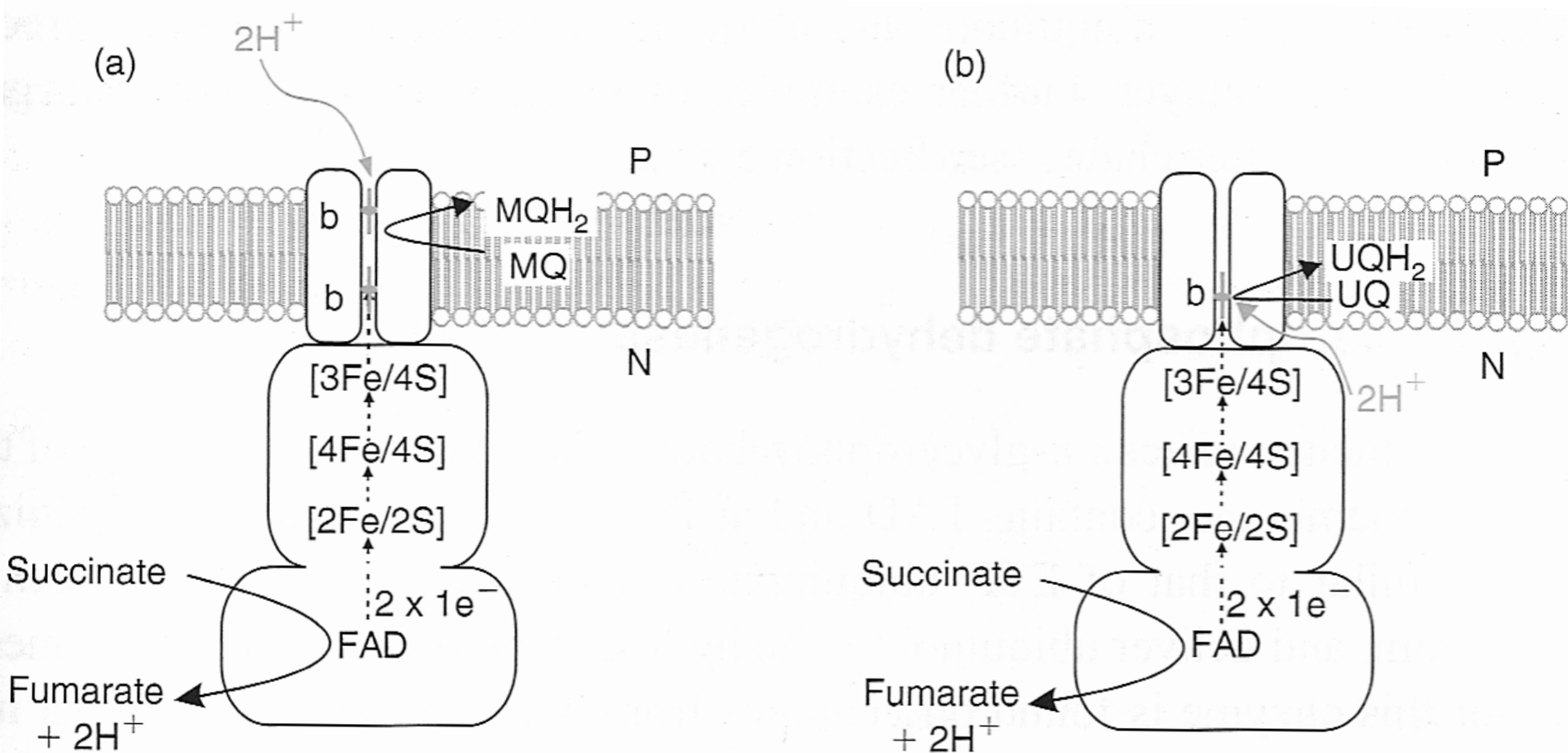


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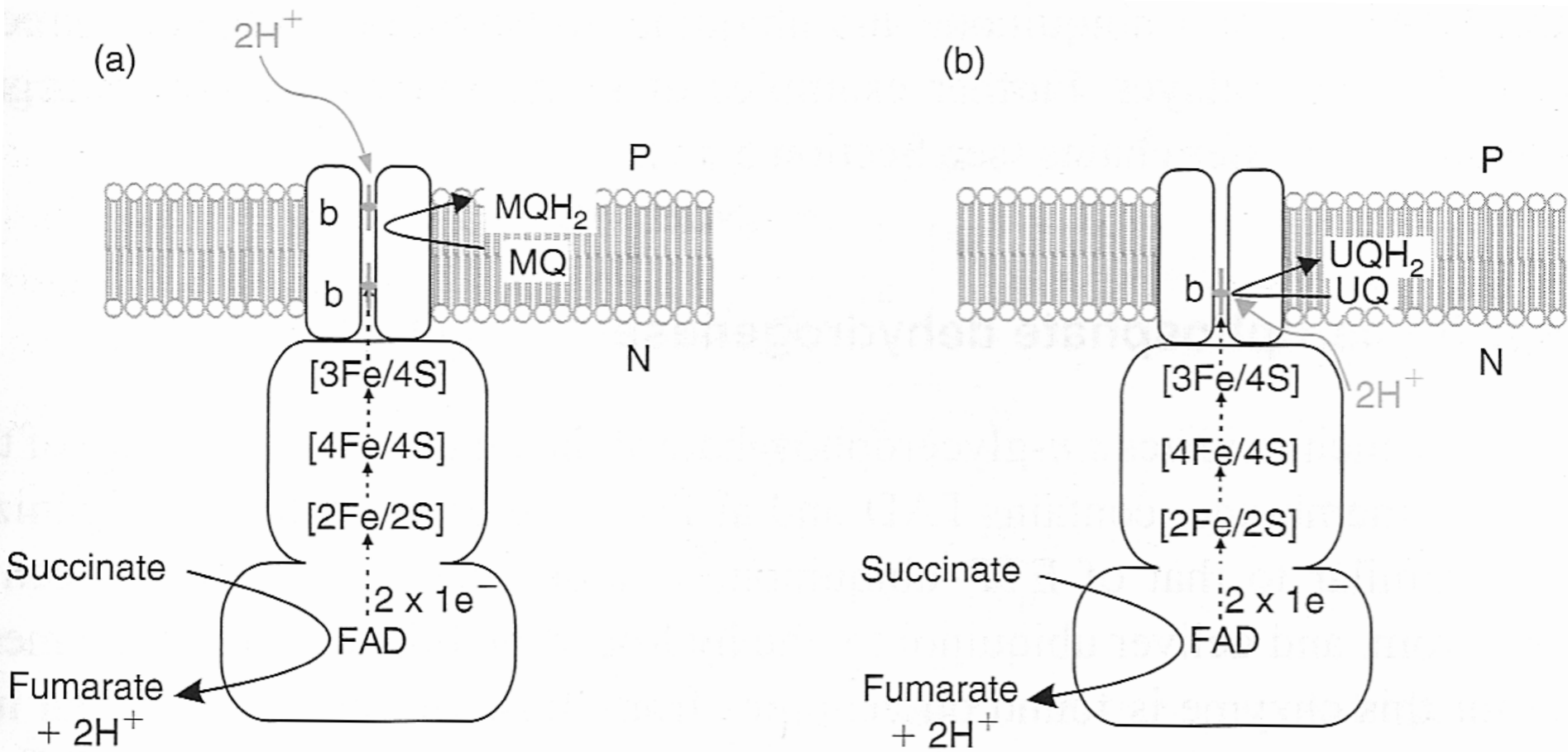


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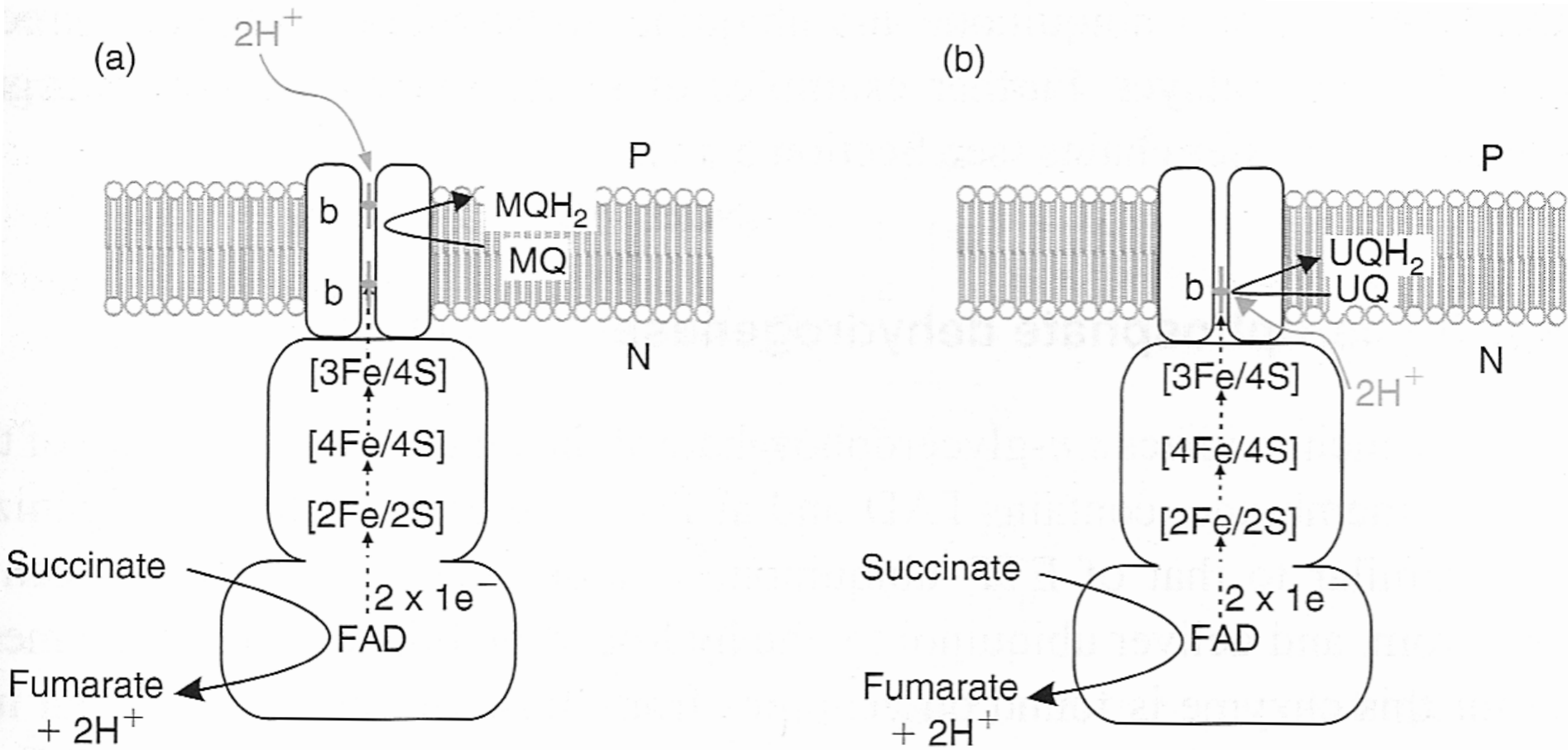
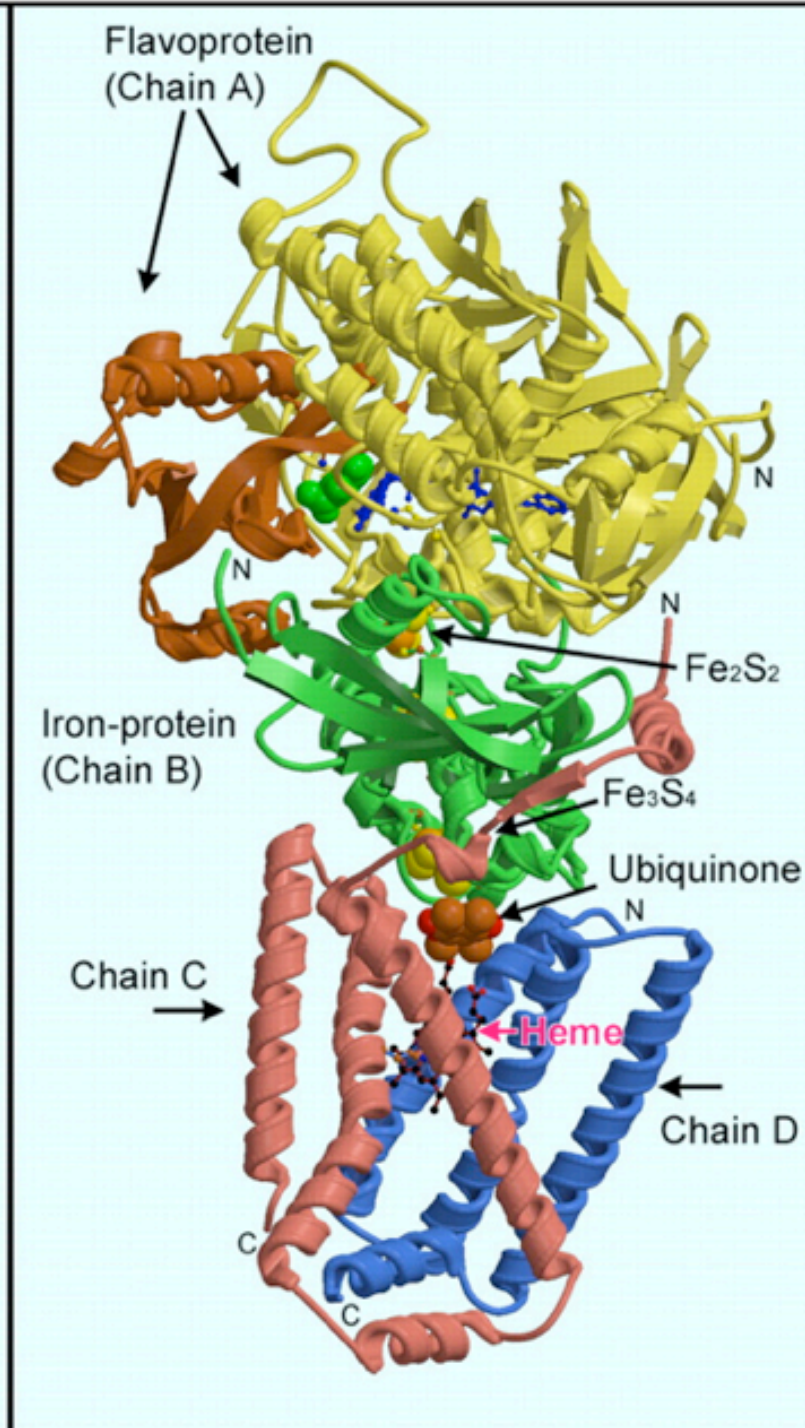
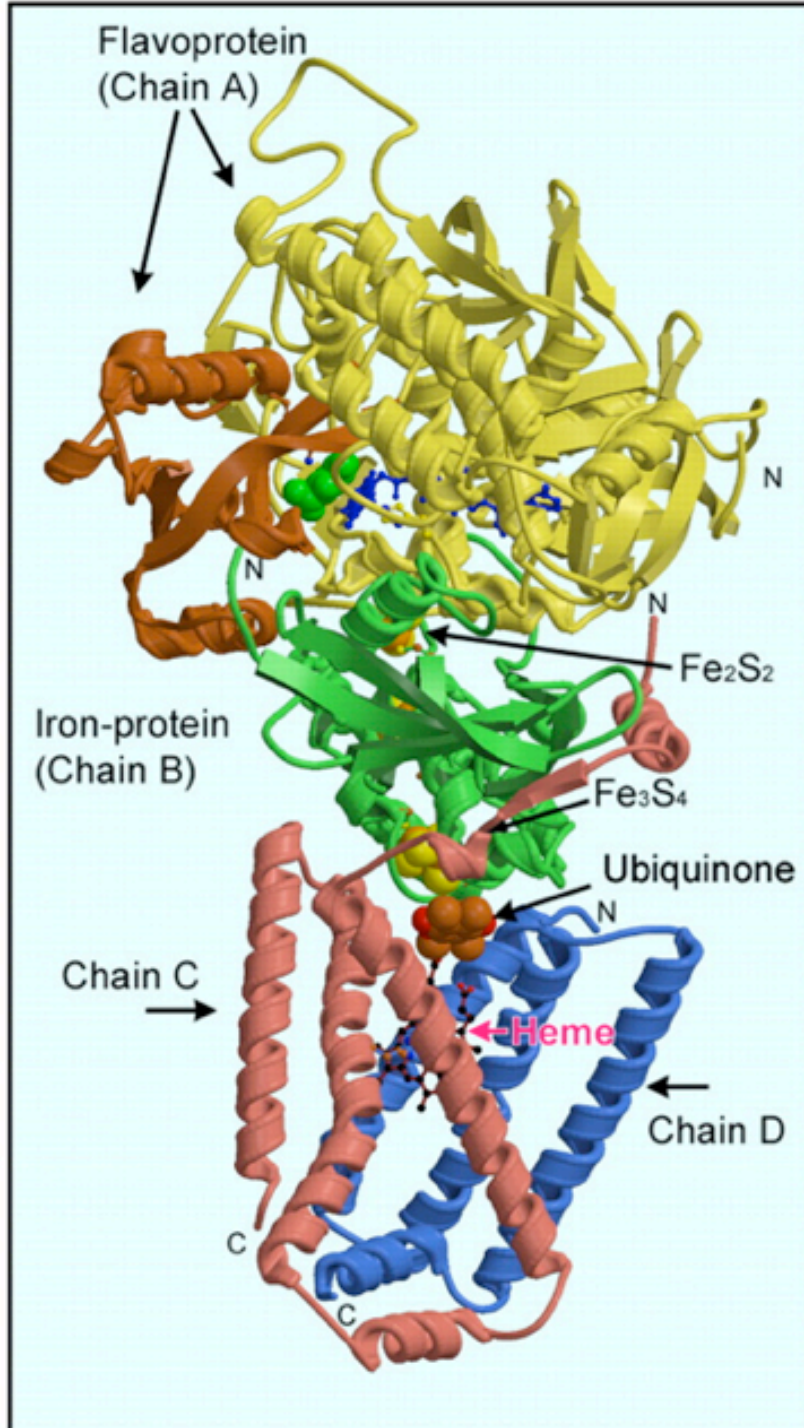


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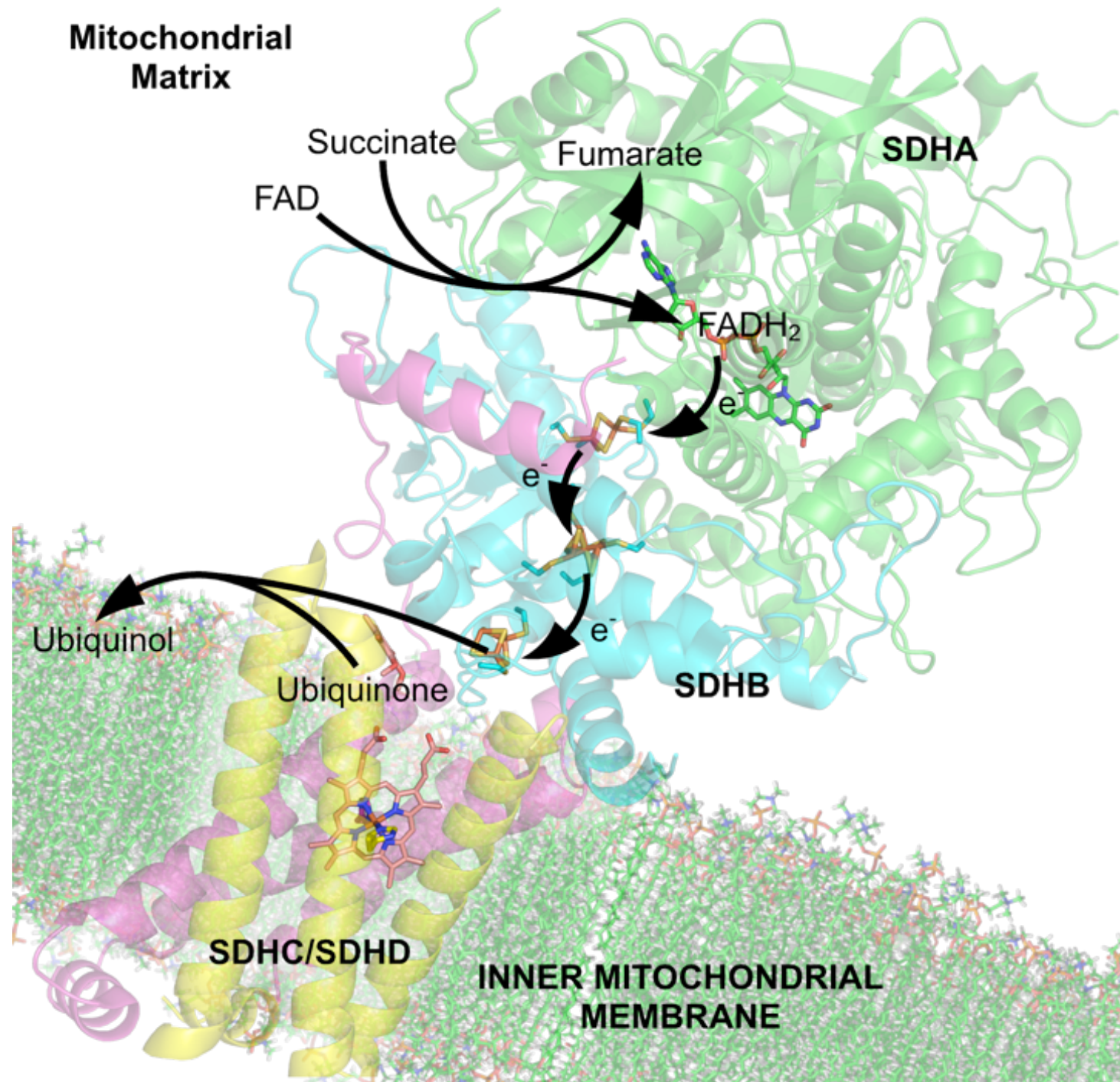


TABLE 1
Tabulation of some x-ray structures available for members of the SQR/FRD family

Enzyme	Source	Reference	Protein Data Bank code	Resolution	Relevance
SQR	Chicken		1YQ3	2.2	Crystallized with OAA
			1YQ4	2.4	Crystallized with 3-NP
			2FBW	2.1	Crystal soaked with carboxin
	Pig	24	1ZOY	2.4	Chain A Arg ²⁹⁸ out of active site
			1ZP0	3.5	Crystallized with 3-NP and TTFA
	<i>E. coli</i>	23	1NEK	2.6	Chain A Arg ²⁸⁶ out of active site
FCc	<i>Shewanella</i>	38	1QJD	1.8	Dicarboxylate site like SQR
FRD	<i>Wolinella</i>	49	1QLA/B	2.2	Open CAP domain
		46	1QO8	3.0	Chain A Arg ³⁰¹ disordered
FRD	<i>E. coli</i>	22	1KF6	2.7	CAP domain slightly open



Protein subunit encoded in mitochondrial DNA



Protein subunit encoded in nuclear DNA



Mitochondrial inner membrane

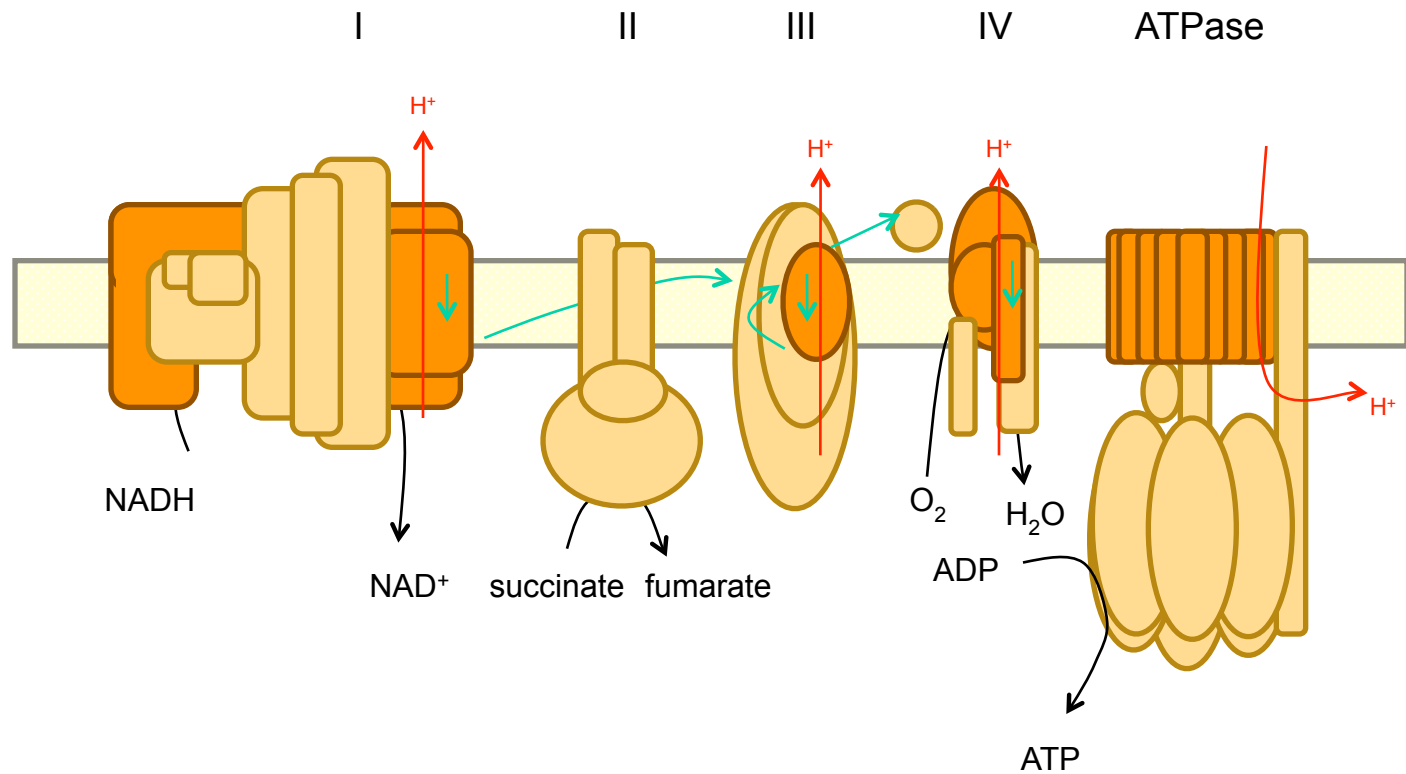


Direction of vectorial proton translocation



Direction of electron transfer

Inter-membrane space



Mitochondrial matrix

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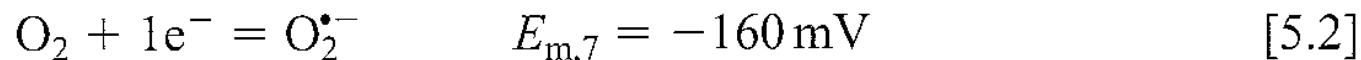
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ABSTRACT Although mitochondrial DNA is known to encode a limited number (<20) of the polypeptide components of respiratory complexes I, III, IV, and V, genes for components of complex II [succinate dehydrogenase (ubiquinone); succinate:ubiquinone oxidoreductase, EC 1.3.5.1] are conspicuously lacking in mitochondrial genomes so far characterized. Here we show that the same three subunits of complex II are encoded in the mitochondrial DNA of two phylogenetically distant eukaryotes, *Porphyra purpurea* (a photosynthetic red alga) and *Reclinomonas americana* (a heterotrophic zooflagellate). These complex II genes, *sdh2*, *sdh3*, and *sdh4*, are homologs, respectively, of *Escherichia coli* *sdhB*, *sdhC*, and *sdhD*. In *E. coli*, *sdhB* encodes the iron-sulfur subunit of succinate dehydrogenase (SDH), whereas *sdhC* and *sdhD* specify, respectively, apocytochrome *b*₅₅₈ and a hydrophobic 13-kDa polypeptide, which together anchor SDH to the inner mitochondrial membrane. Amino acid sequence similarities indicate that *sdh2*, *sdh3*, and *sdh4* were originally encoded in the protomitochondrial genome and have subsequently been transferred to the nuclear genome in most eukaryotes. The data presented here are consistent with the view that mitochondria constitute a monophyletic lineage.

5.11 SUPEROXIDE PRODUCTION BY COMPLEXES I AND III

Reviews Turrens 1997, Barja 1999

As discussed above, the $E_{m,7}$ values for the two-stage oxidation of UQH_2 at the Q_p site of complex III via $UQ^{\bullet-}$ to UQ are, respectively, $+280\text{ mV}$ and -160 mV . This means that the $UQ^{\bullet-}/UQ$ couple is highly reducing. Molecular oxygen appears to have access to the Q_p site, since there is a small but finite chance that $UQ^{\bullet-}$ may donate its electron, not to b_L but to O_2 , with the formation of the superoxide anion, $O_2^{\bullet-}$.



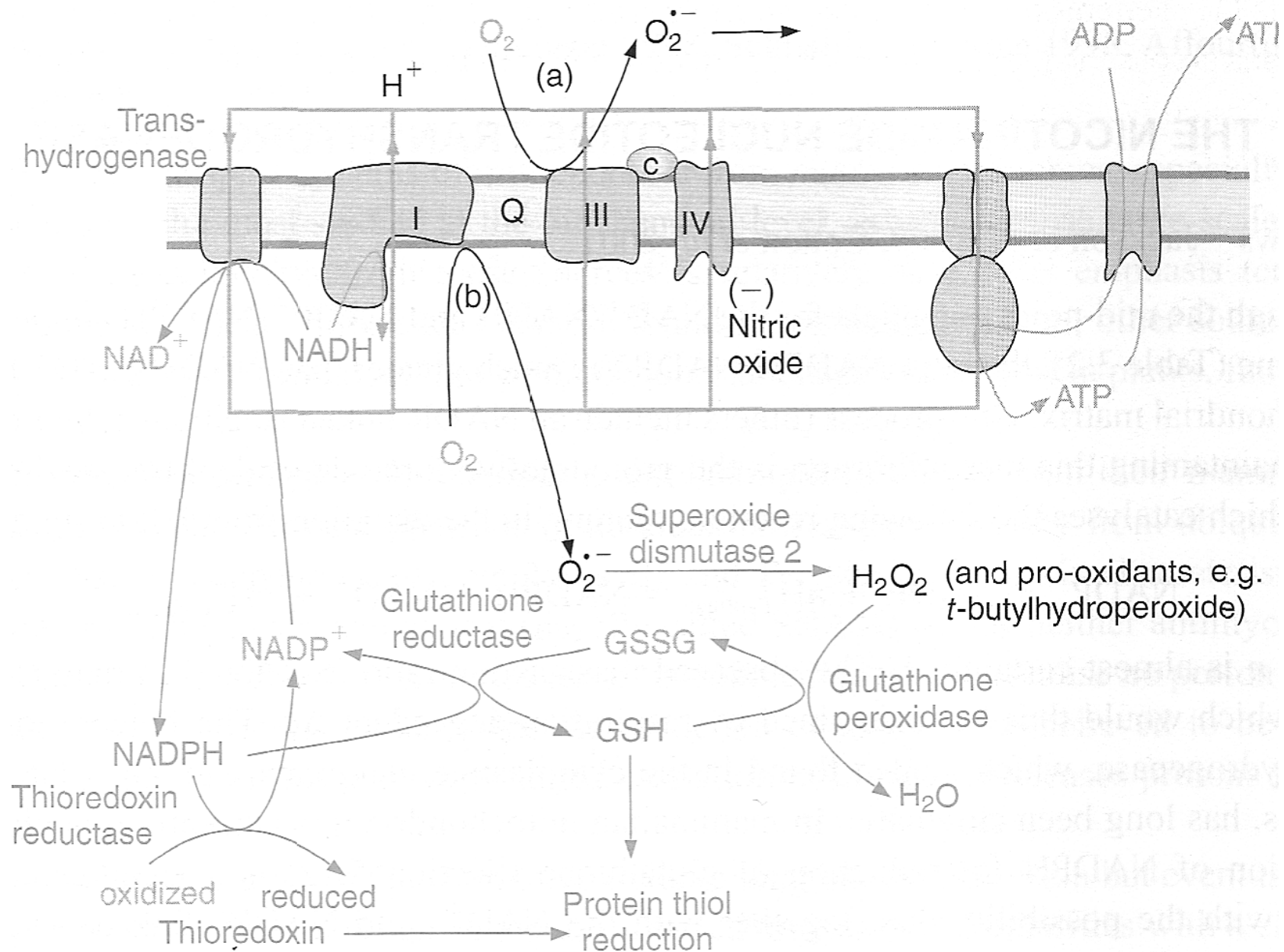
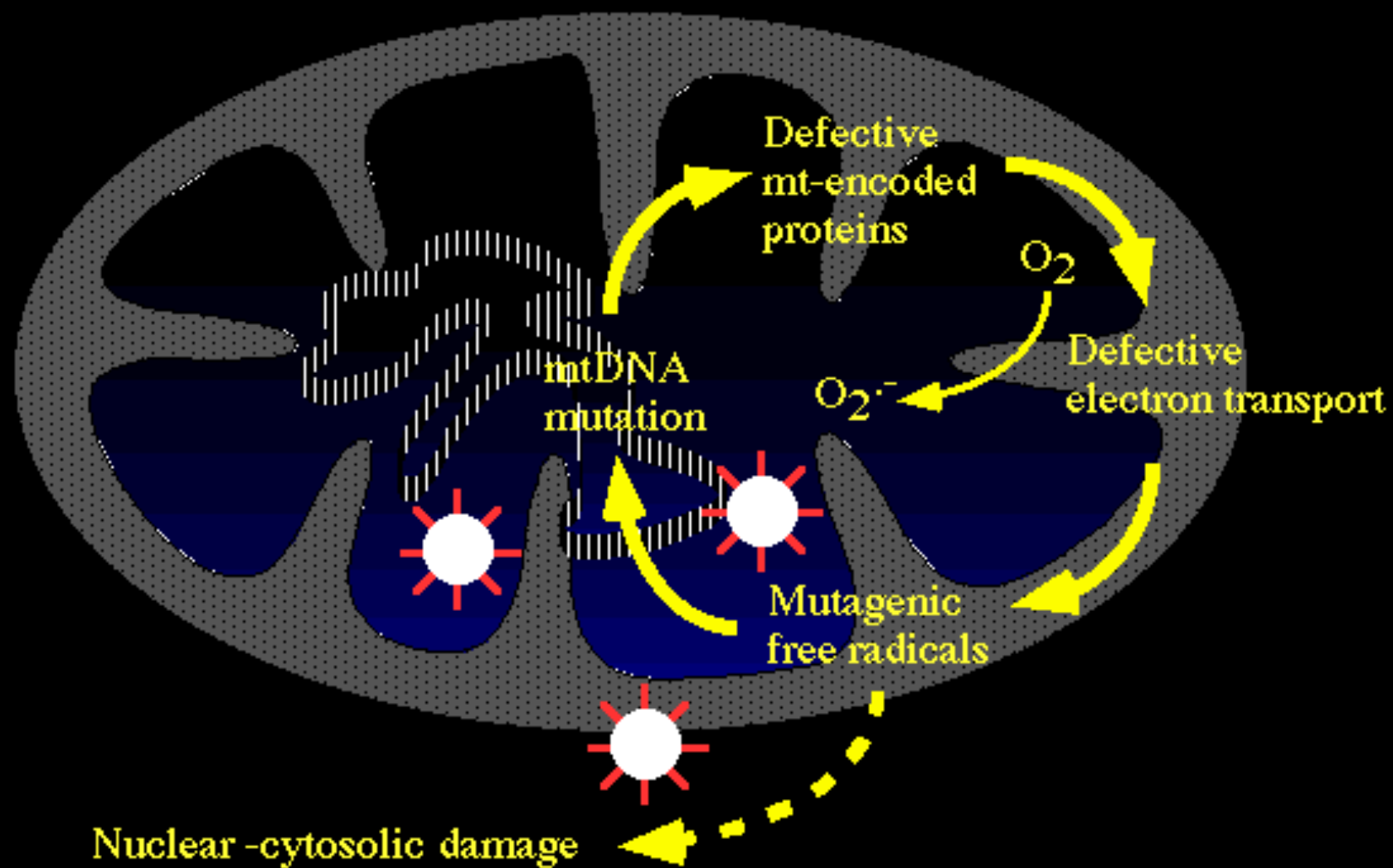


Figure 5.19 Mitochondrial ‘oxidative stress’: interactions between the GSSG/GSH couple and reactive oxygen species.



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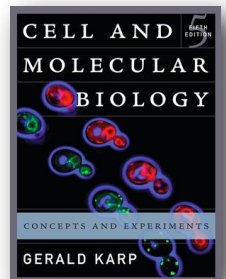
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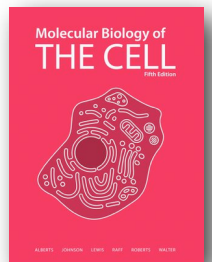
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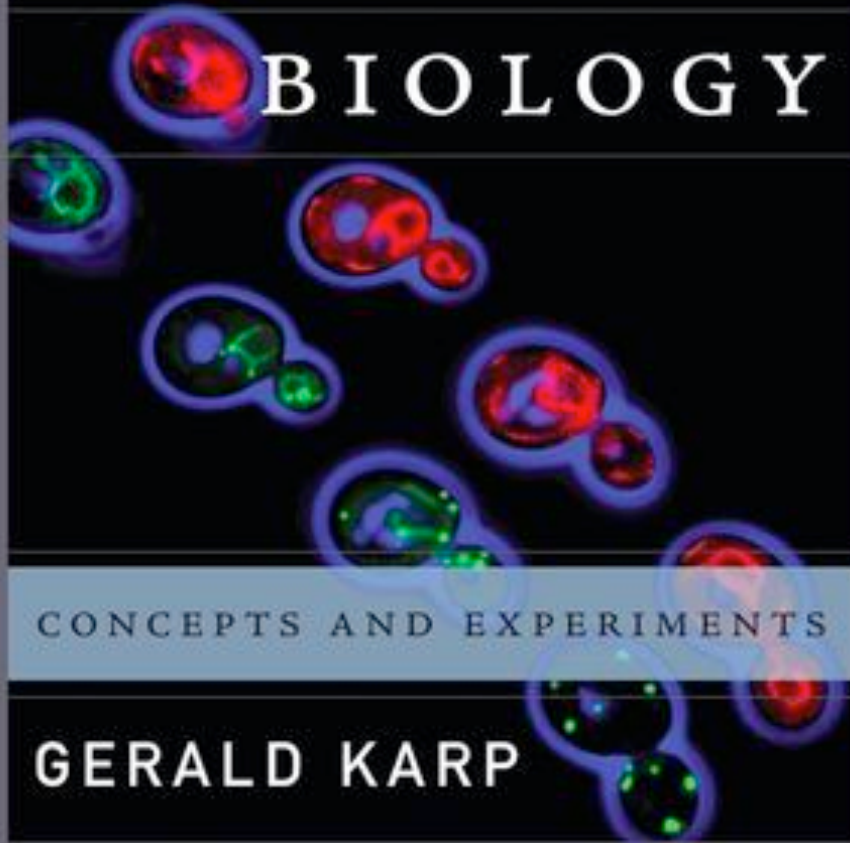
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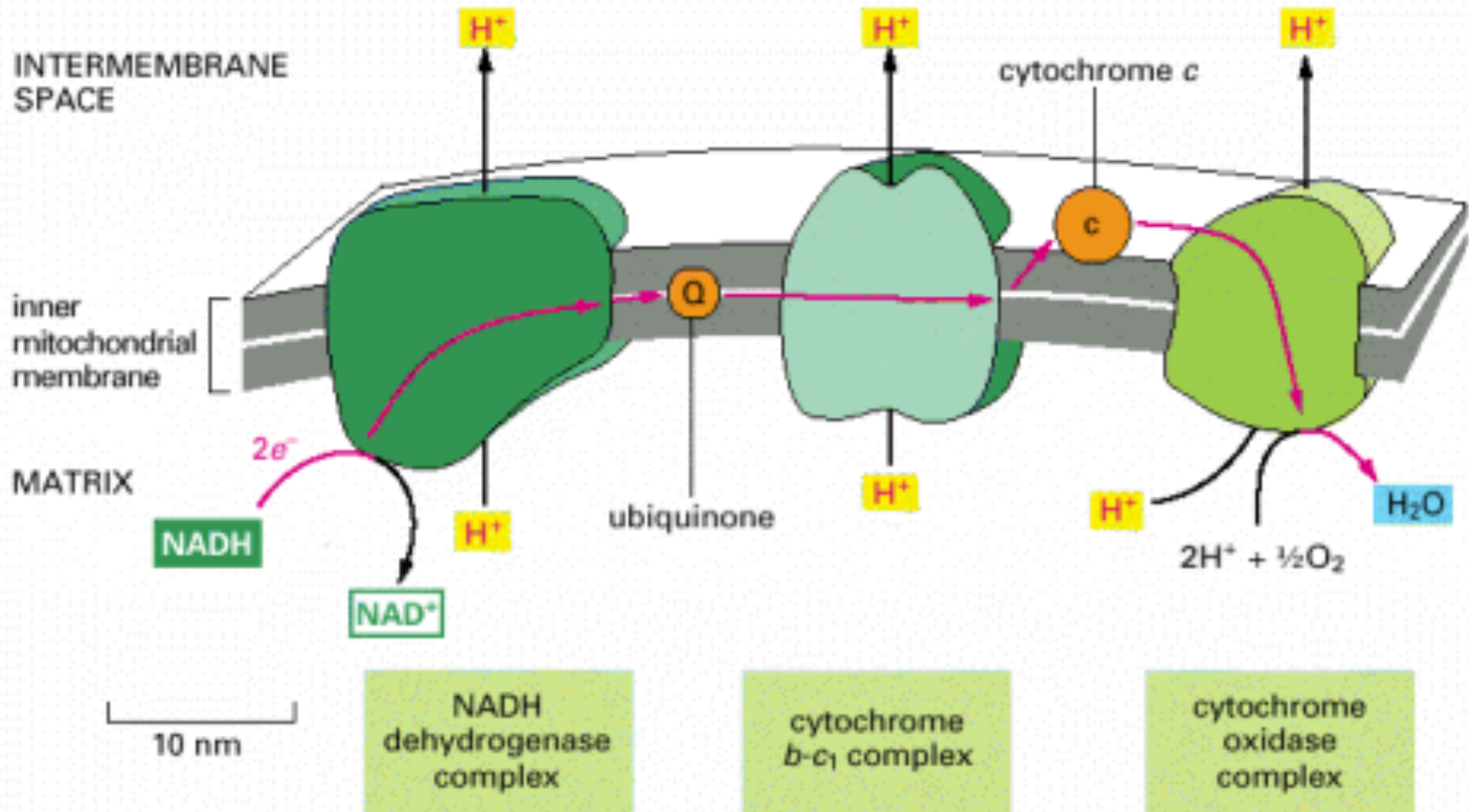
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Whatever the reason for the persistence of
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Complex III. Structure and Function.

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The Respiratory Chain Includes Three Large Enzyme Complexes Embedded in the Inner Membrane

Complex III

The cytochrome bc_1 complex

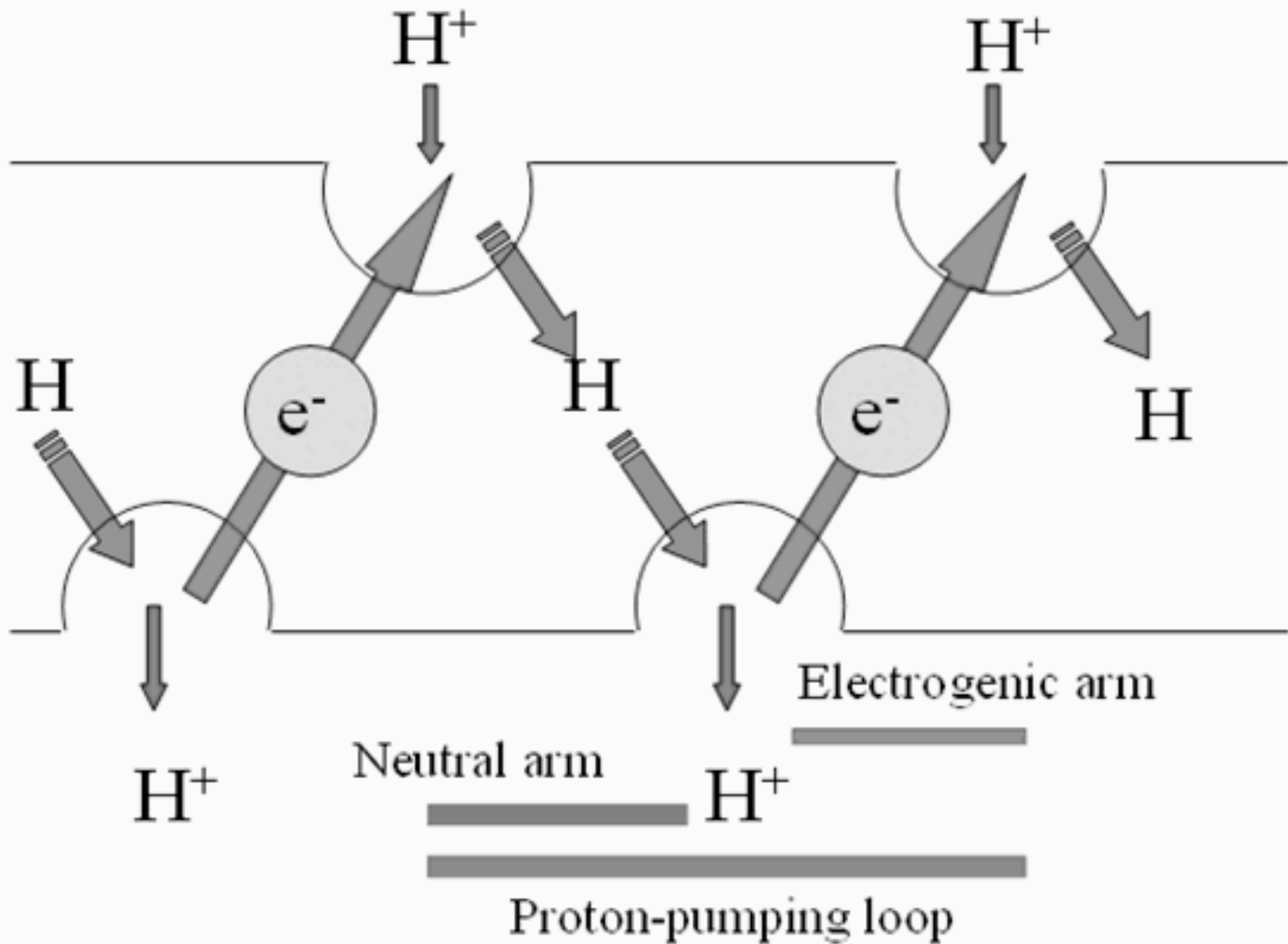
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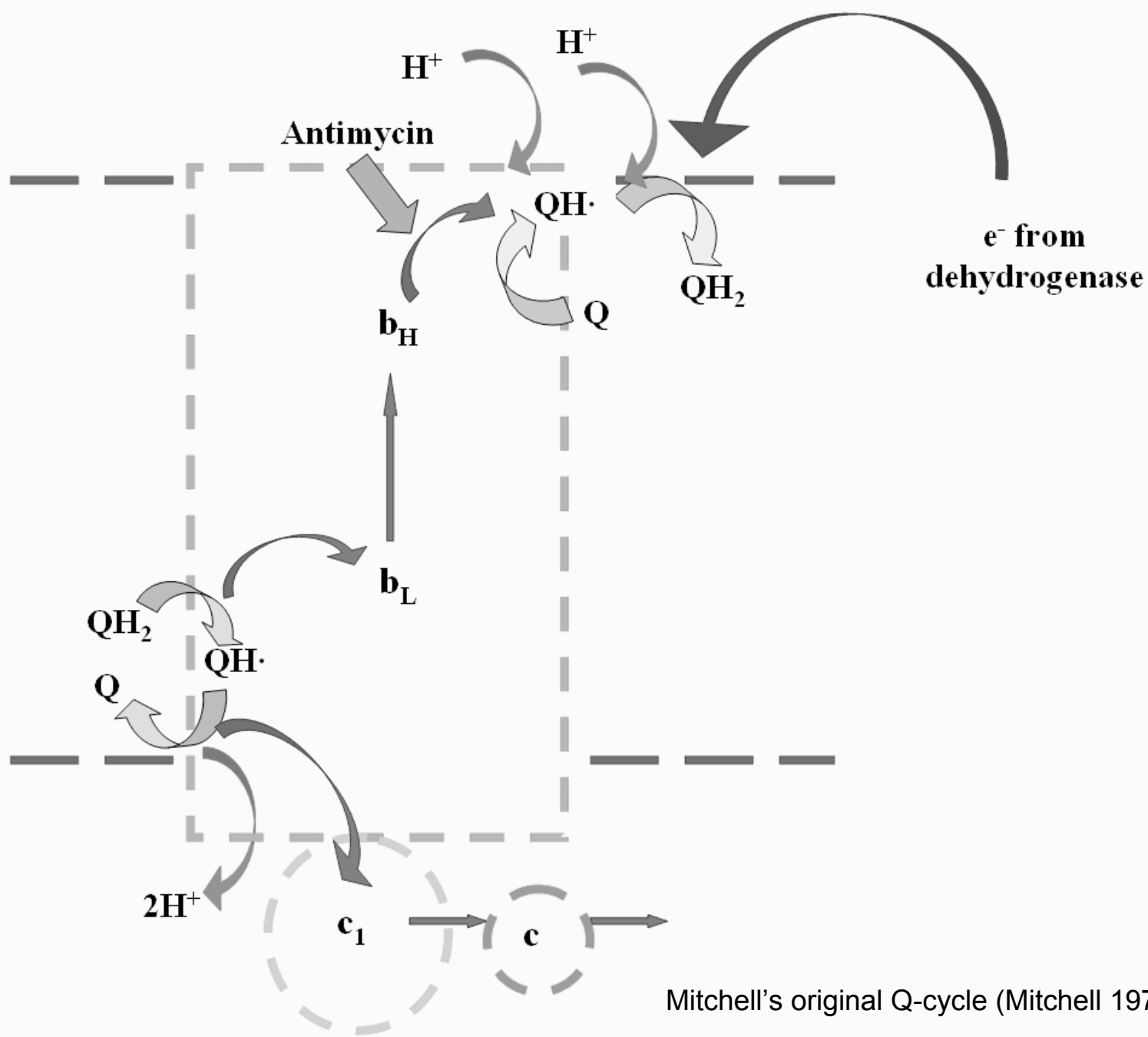
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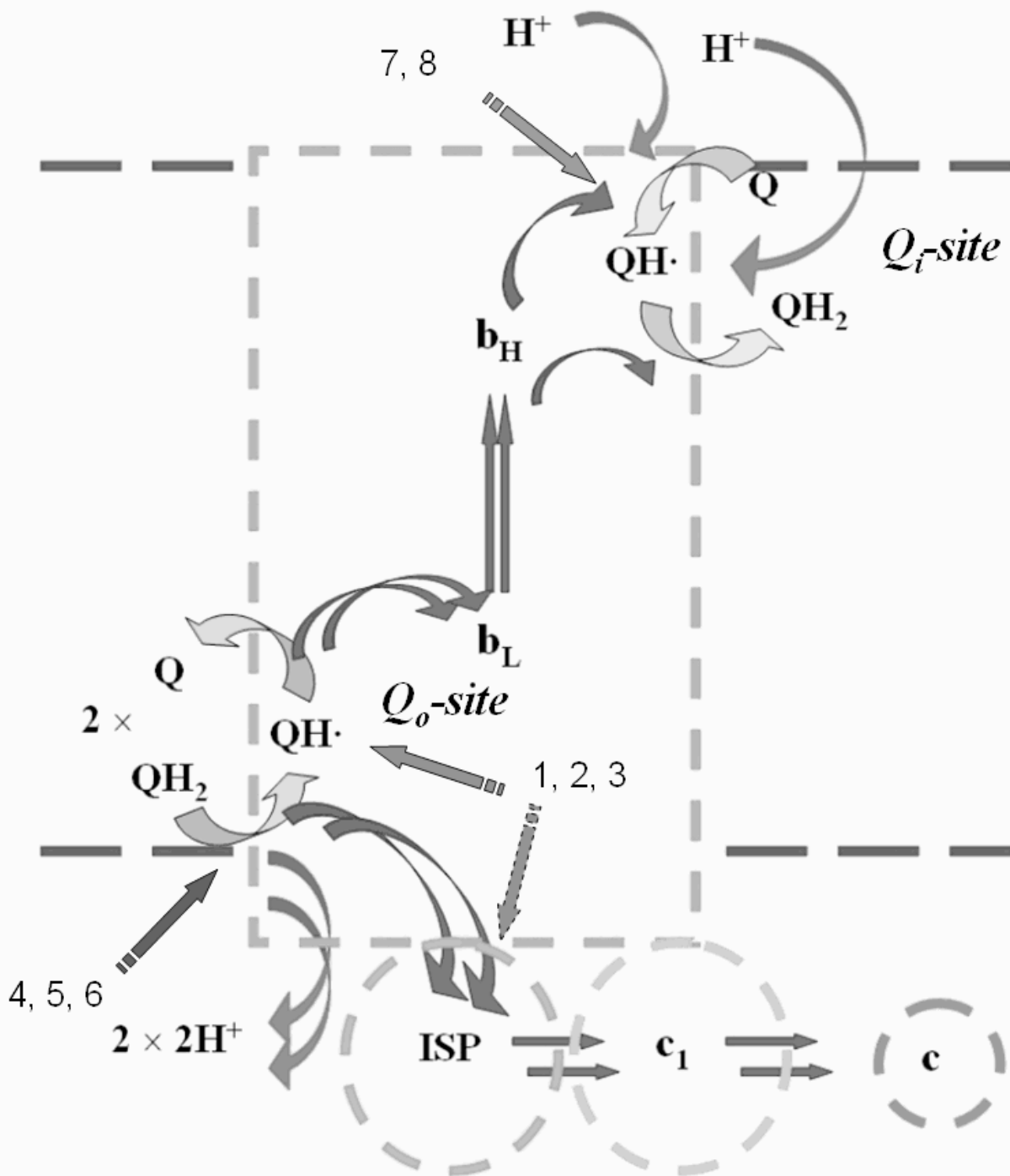


Peter Mitchell c. 1943 (adapted from Mitchell 1981). A young Peter Mitchell in the Department of Biochemistry at Cambridge. Left to right are Joan Keilin, Jim Danielli, Peter Mitchell, Mary Danielli. The ideas of David Keilin on the cytochromes and Jim Danielli on the lipid bilayer were seminal in the development of Mitchell's views on chemiosmosis and vectorial metabolism.



Mitchell's proton pumping loops (Mitchell 1961, 1966).
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The Modified Q-cycle.

The experiments from the Crofts lab in the early 1980's provided severe constraints that limited the types of plausible Q-cycle model. This version is essentially the same as that proposed by Crofts et al 1982, and reviewed by Crofts (1986)

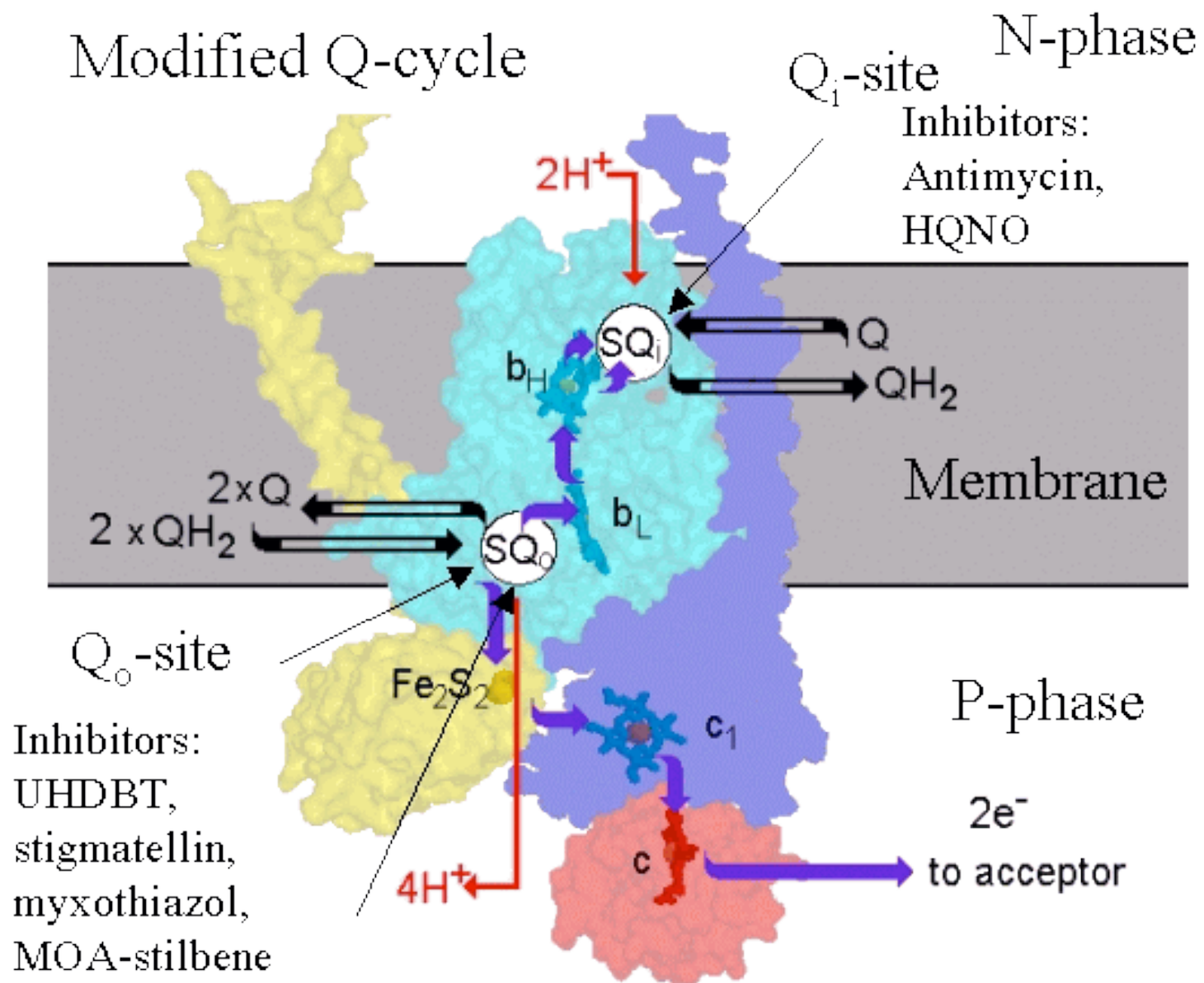
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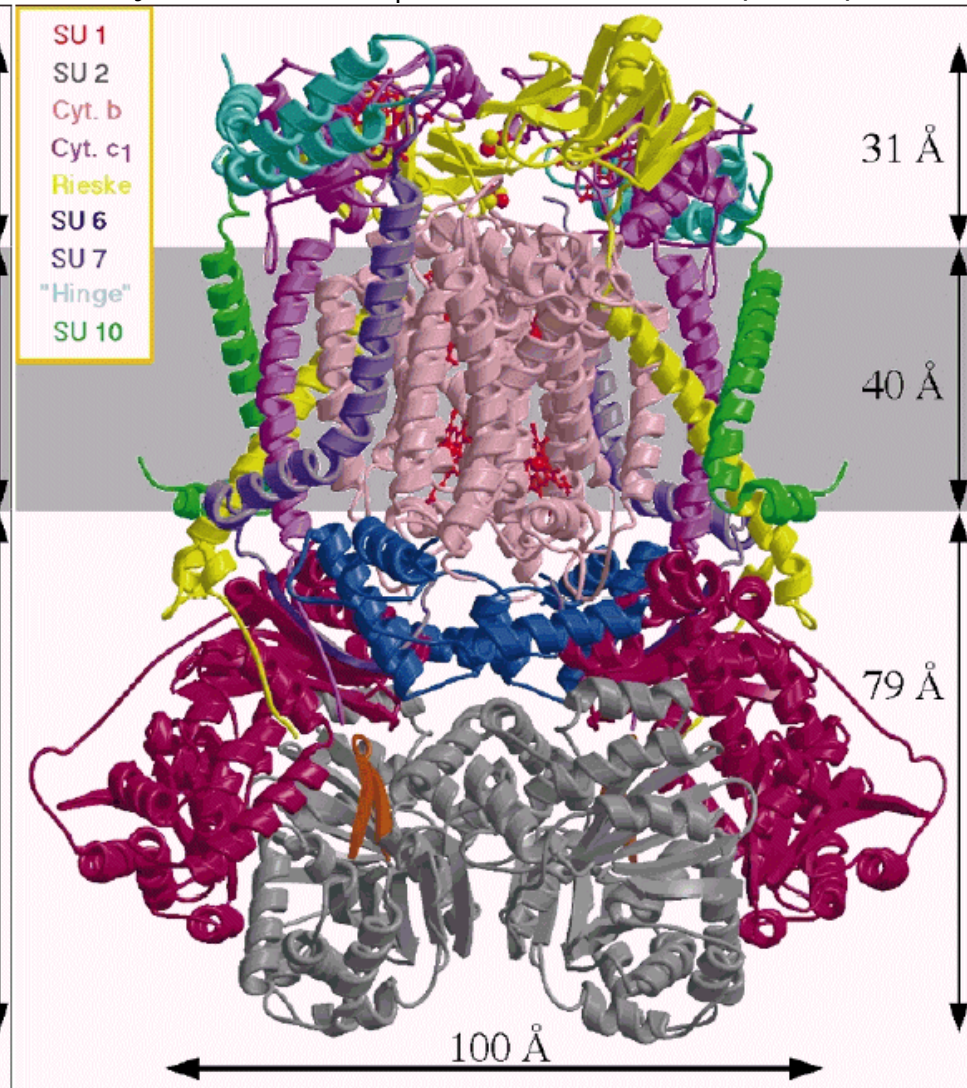
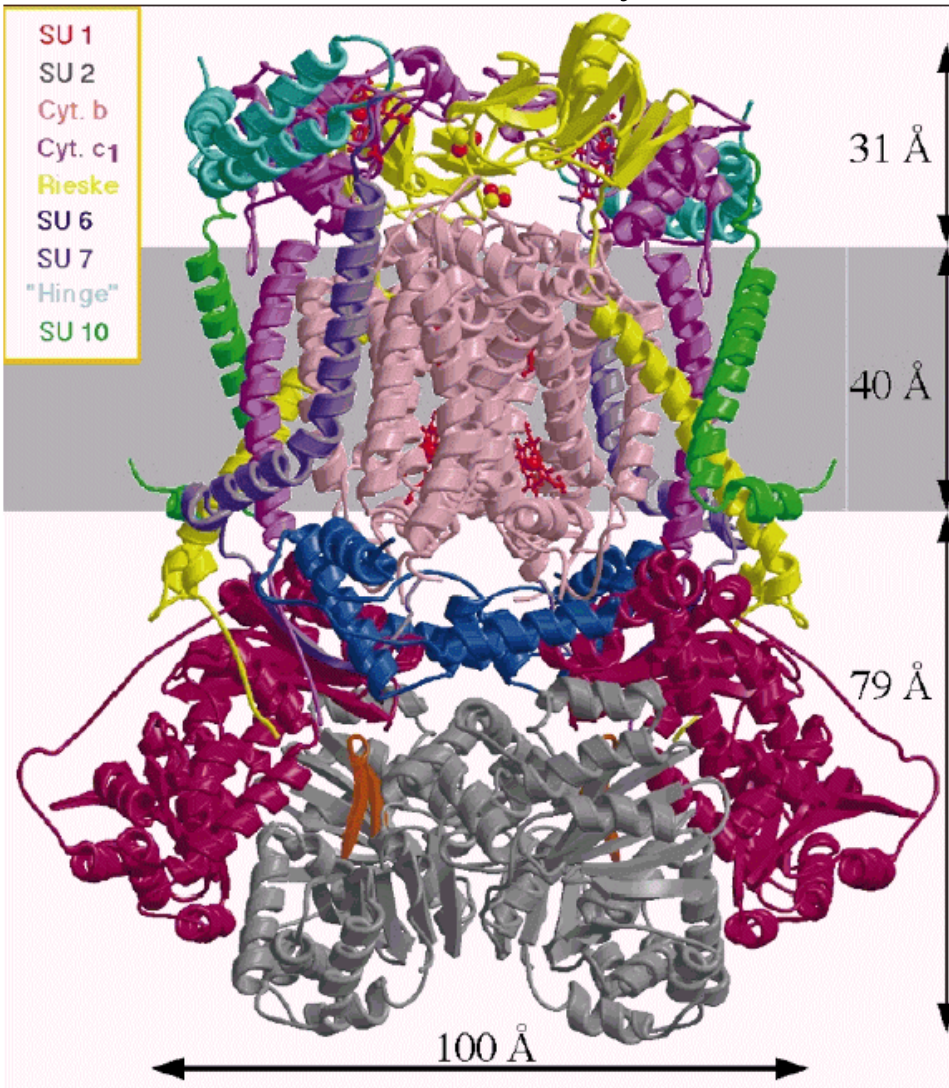
The bc₁-complex from beef heart mitochondria

Subunit (no.)	Redox centers	M _r (beef)	Function
Core I	none	53.6	No catalytic, protein transport
Core II	none	46.5	No catalytic, protein transport
Cyt b (III)	heme b _H	42.6	donor to Q _i -site
	heme b _L		acceptor from SQ at Q _o -site
			Transmembrane electron transfer
Cyt c ₁ (IV)	heme c ₁	27.3	donor to cyt c
Rieske (V)	2Fe.2S center	21.6	acceptor from Q _o H ₂
			donor to cyt c ₁
Subunit VI	none	13.3	none known
Subunit VII	none	9.5	none known
Subunit VIII	none	9.2	hinge protein (interacts with c ₁)
Subunit IX	none	8.0	none known
Subunit X	none	7.2	none known
Subunit XI	none	6.4	none known (not present in chicken)

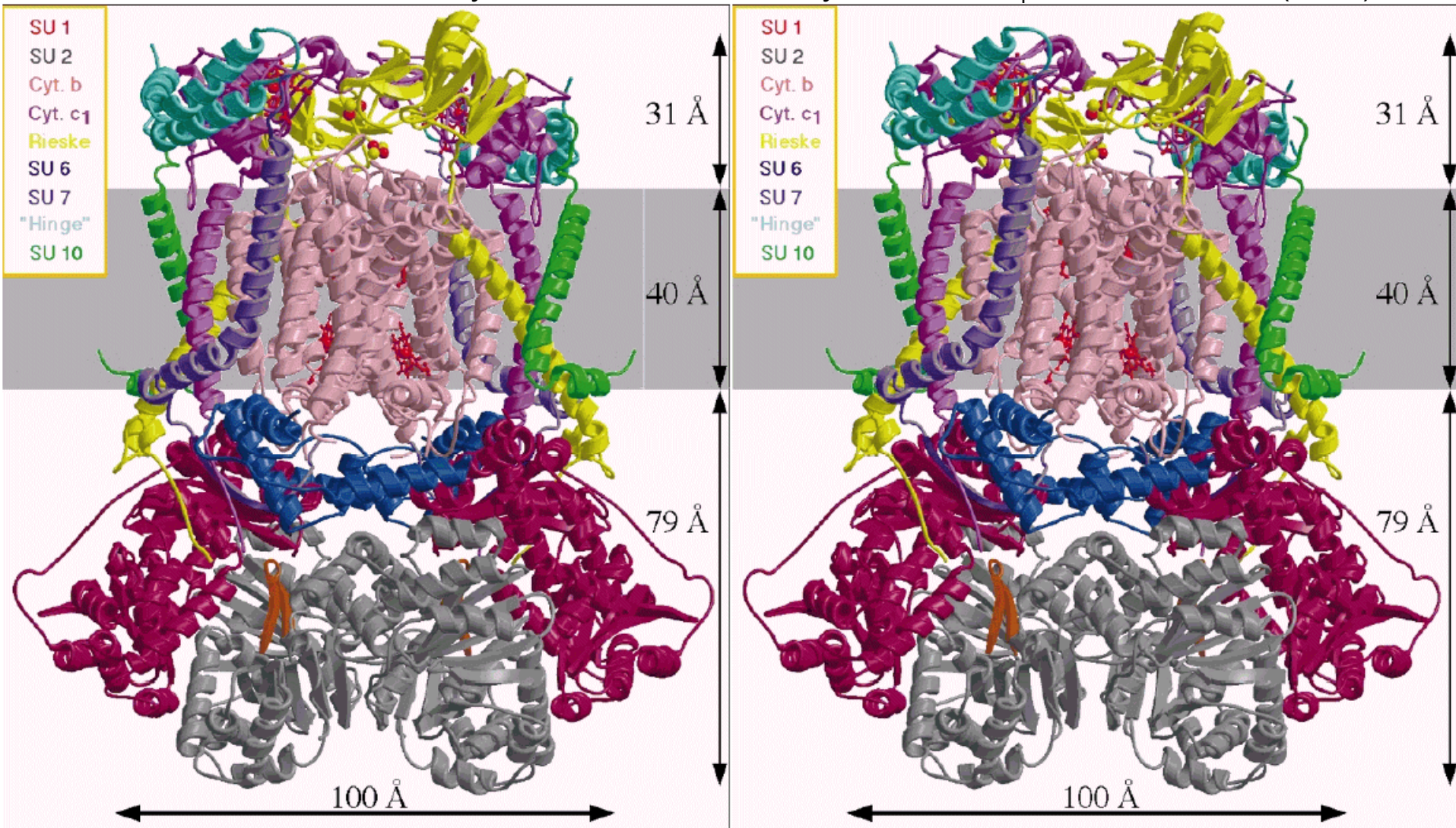
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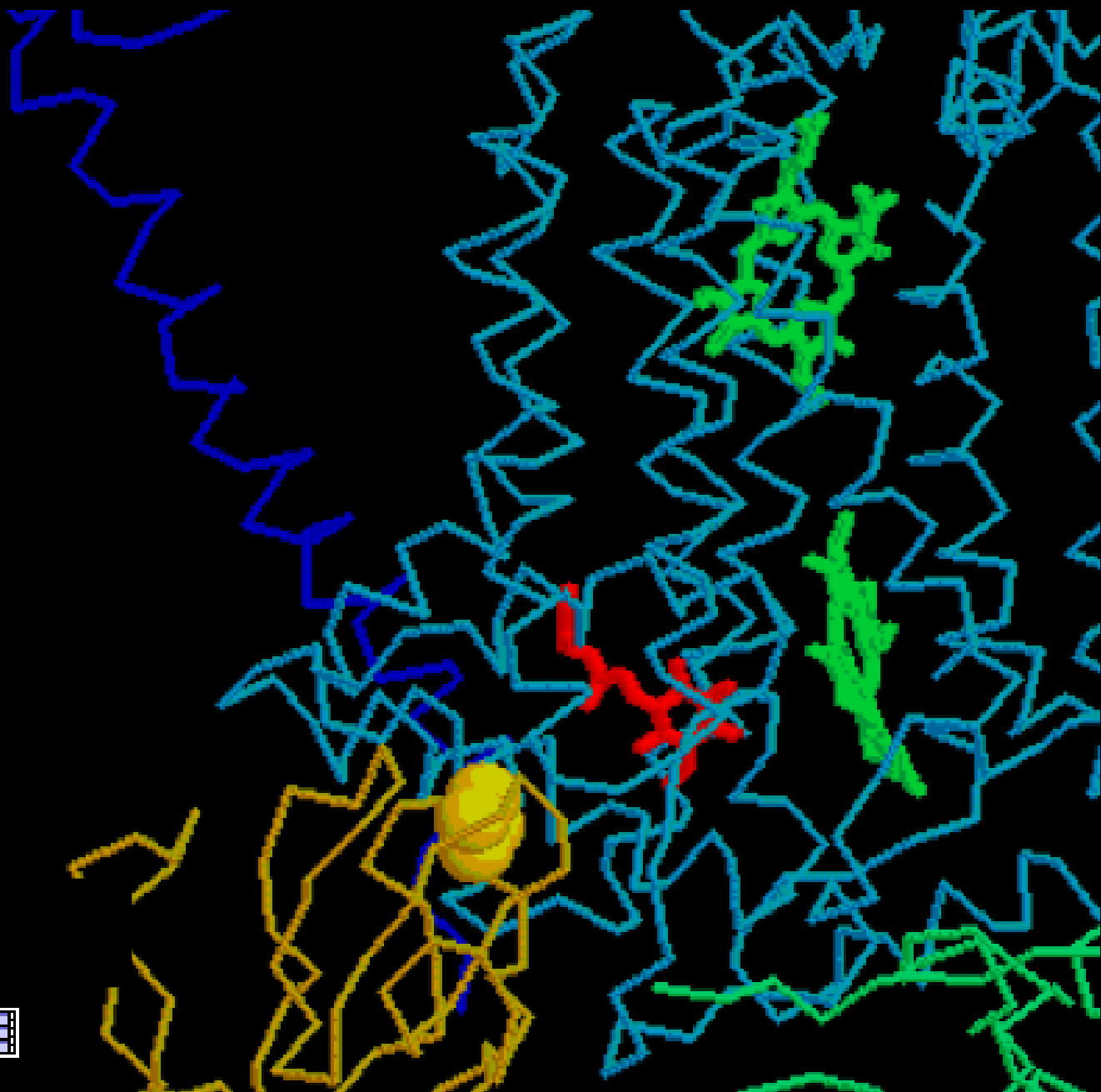
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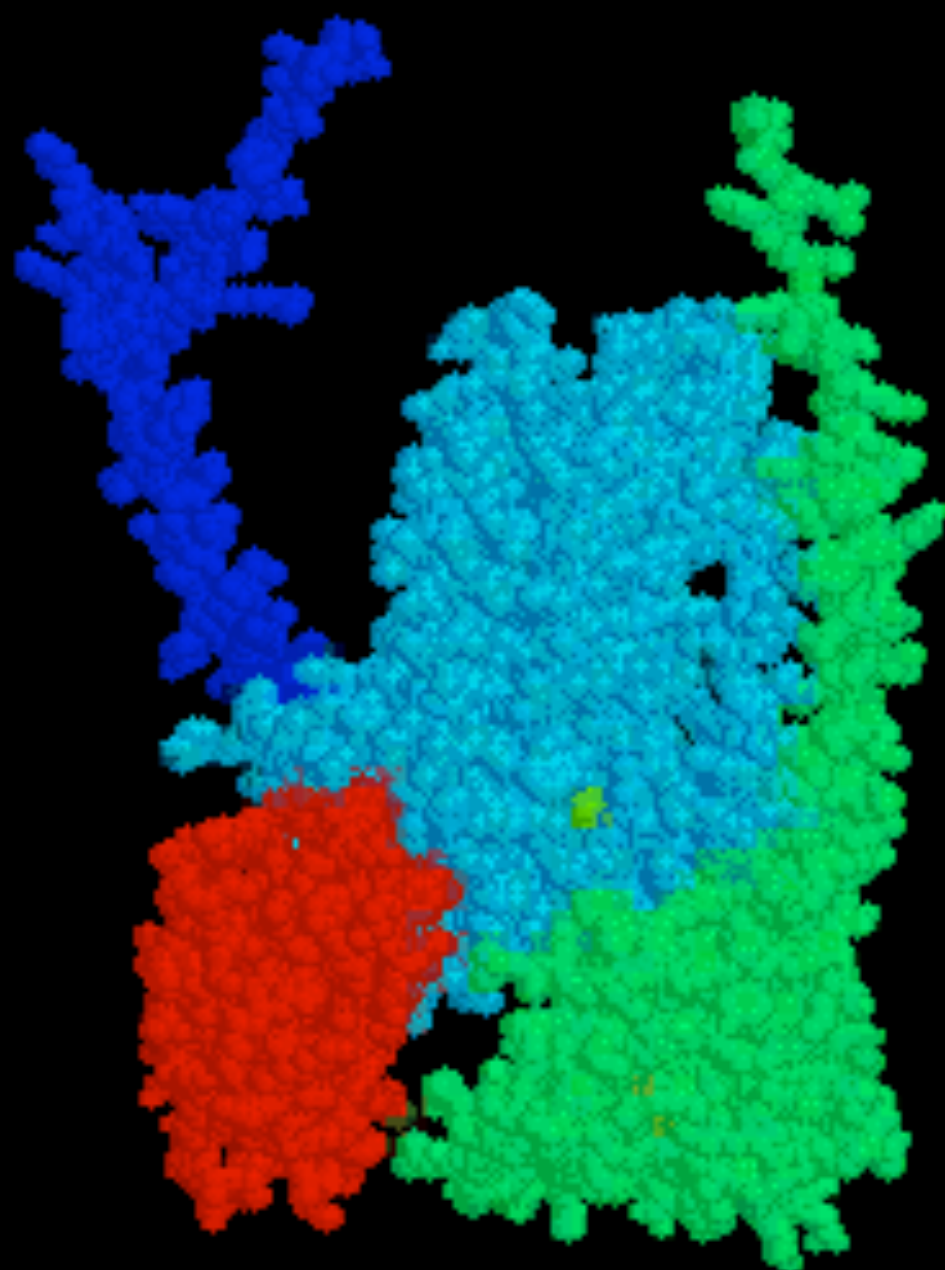


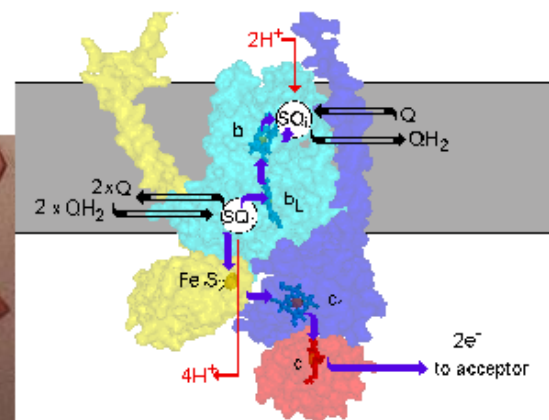
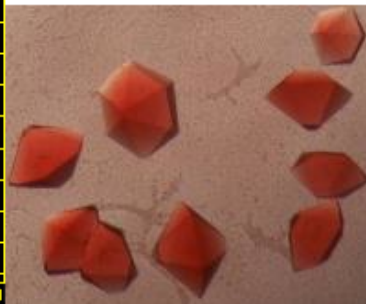
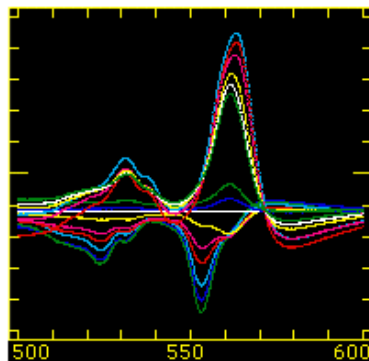
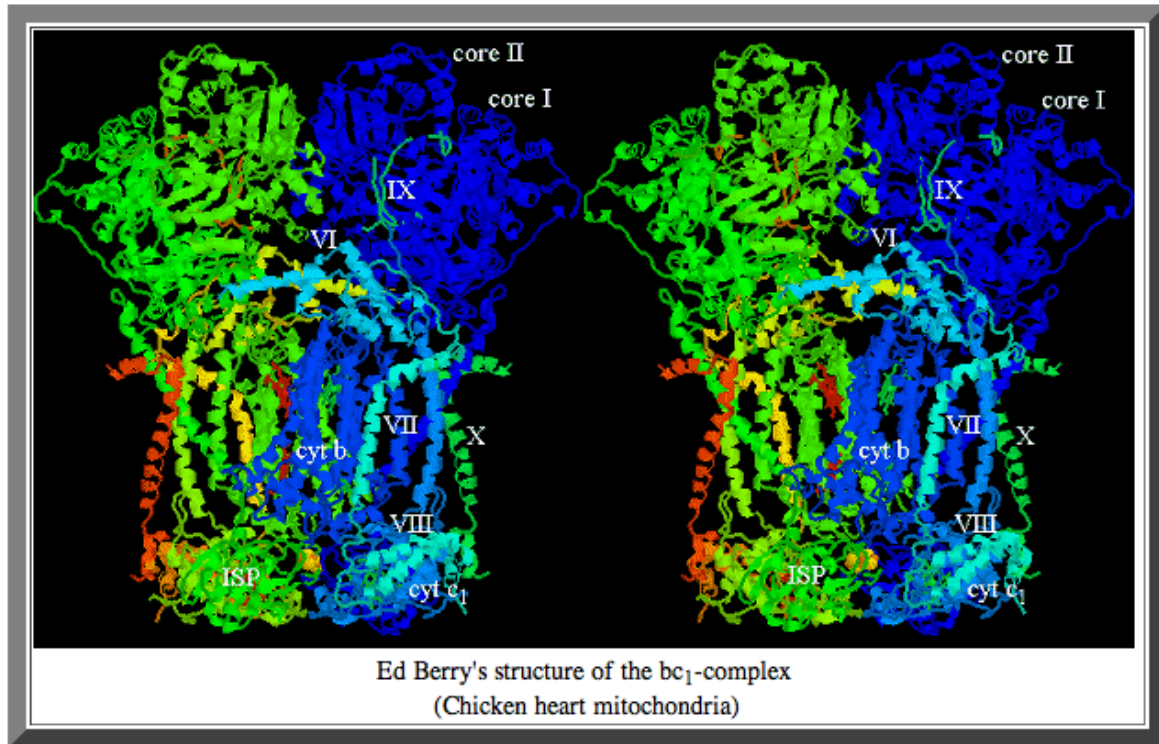
The general features of the protein are as expected from previous biochemical and structural studies, with a large fraction corresponding to the "core" proteins (subunits I and II) on the N-side (bottom in the Fig. above), and cyt c_1 and the FeS protein on the P-side. The dimensions of the dimer are about 130 Å in diameter and 151 Å in height, with the inter-membrane space region, the transmembrane region, and the matrix region contributing about 41 Å, 35 Å and 75 Å respectively.

Two different structures
from X-ray crystallography

- suggesting two different
positions for the head of the
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Complex III Part 2.

*The Q-cycle and the
cytochrome b_6f complex*

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