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RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

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Respiratory System

Role of hemoglobin in acid base balance

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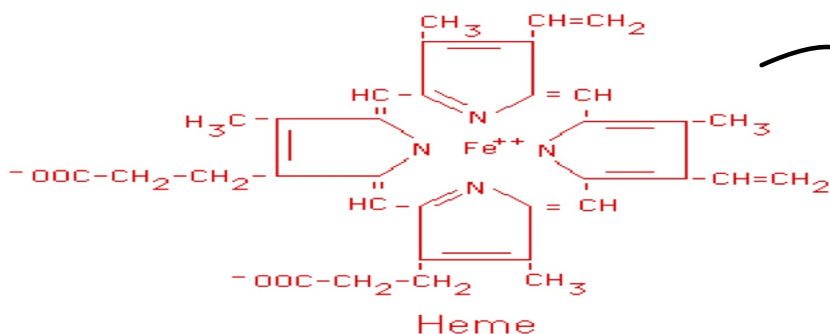
Hemoglobin : Heme + globin

Formed of 4 polypeptide chains , Each polypeptide chain is formed of 7 or 8 helices which are termed A-B-C-D...

* α -chain \rightarrow 141 A.A / on chromosome 16

* β - γ -& chains \rightarrow 146 A.A / on chromosome 11

* Hb A is composed of two identical dimers ($\alpha\beta$)₁ and ($\alpha\beta$)₂



- Porphyrin ring , 4 pyrrole ring
- ferrous iron
- has 6 valencies
- carries O₂

* Each polypeptide binds a heme molecule at its center (4 heme residues per Hb molecule) and lies in a pocket (hydrophobic cleft) between E and F helices

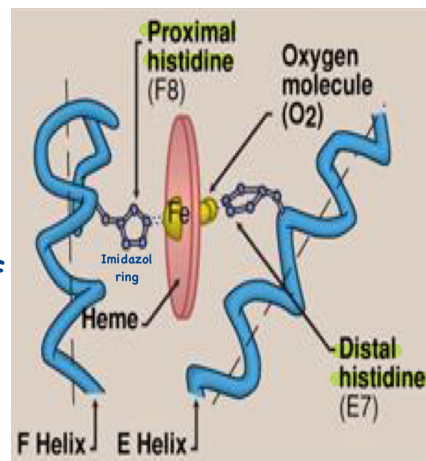
* The iron of heme is coordinated with the **nitrogen** of the **imidazole ring** of one histidine .

In F helix \rightarrow proximal histidine

In E helix \rightarrow distal histidine \curvearrowright

lies near the heme but is not bonded to it and it stabilizes binding of oxygen to heme and destabilizes binding of carbon monoxide

* The 2 polypeptide chains of each dimer are tightly held together by **hydrophobic bonds** بين α و β



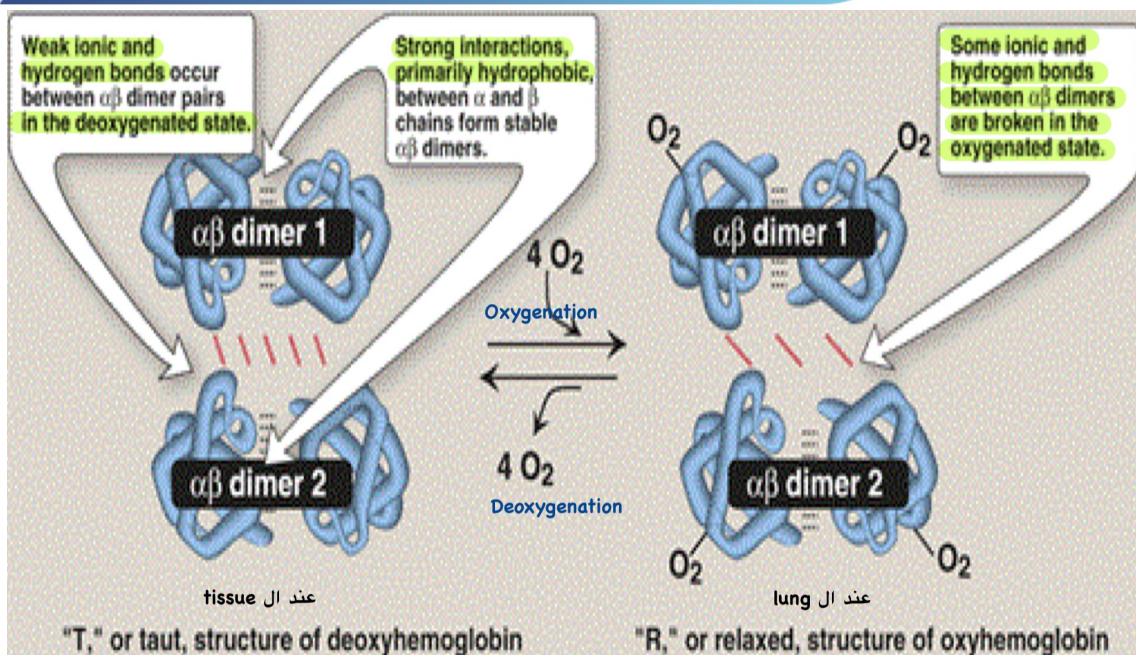
* Each dimer is held relatively loosely to the other dimer by **ionic and hydrogen bonds** بين $\alpha\beta$ و $\alpha\beta$

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There are 2 forms of Hb : Tense and relax



- * Binding of oxygen to Hb is facilitated by previous binding of other oxygen molecules (**cooperative binding kinetics**)
- * The affinity of Hb for the last oxygen molecule is about **300 times** greater than for the first oxygen molecule
- * This pulls the proximal histidine towards the porphyrin ring and is accompanied by deprotonation of the imidazole ring of histidine and of N-terminal amino groups in the peptide chain
- * This leads to rupture of salt bonds between globin chains, and Hb changes from the T to R state , increasing its affinity for oxygen
- * This is sometimes called **heme-heme interaction**

T form (Hb)	R form (Hb)
1. Tense form	1. Relaxed form
2. more ionic bonds	2. Less ionic bonds
3. Stabilized by protonation	3. stabilized by deprotonation
4. Stabilized by deoxygenation	4. Stabilized by oxygenation
5. Lower affinity for O2	5. Higher affinity for O2



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Allosteric properties of Hb

Other Site

* The ability of Hb to reversibly bind oxygen is affected by :

1. PO₂
2. PH of the environment
3. PCO₂
4. Availability of 2,3-bisphosphoglycerate

* called allosteric effectors because their interaction at one site on the Hb molecule affects the binding of oxygen to heme groups at other locations on the molecule



This gives Hb a negative charge , increases the formation of ionic bonds, which stabilizes the T-form
The affinity of Hb for oxygen decreases , helping delivery of oxygen to the tissues



Most of the CO₂ delivered by the tissues to the blood is converted to H₂CO₃ in the red blood cells
H₂CO₃ liberates hydrogen ions ($\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$) which protonate the N-terminal amino groups of the α - subunits and the C-terminal histidine of the β - subunits , stabilizing the T-form

* Bohr effect : The influence of pH and pCO₂ to facilitate oxygenation of Hb in the lungs and deoxygenation at the tissues

3. 2,3-Bisphosphoglycerate : carries 5 negative charges and is derived from oxidation of glucose (glycolysis) in red cells .

* It binds to a positively charged pocket in Hb between the 2 β chains

* Binding favors the T-form of Hb , reducing affinity for oxygen and helping delivery of oxygen to tissues

* BPG increases in RBCs in case of chronic anemia and hypoxia

* Adding inosine to blood keeps the level of BPG normal in RBCs

* Chloride shift (hamburger effect) : Entering a chloride ions from the plasma to the cells

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