



# Molecular Biology

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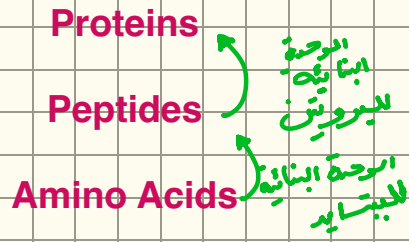


# CLASSIFICATION OF AMINO ACIDS

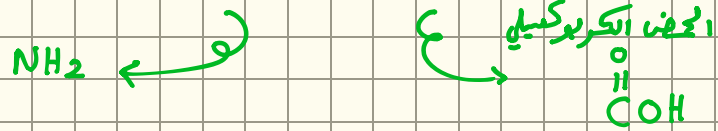
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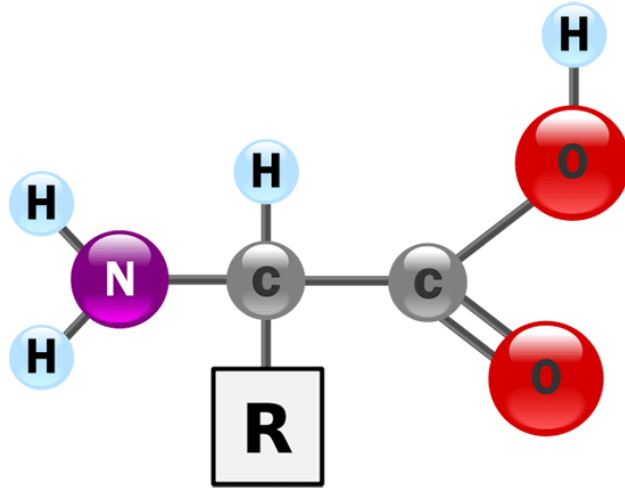
## رح نحكي بهاد الشابتير عن 3 شغلات



## Amino Acid

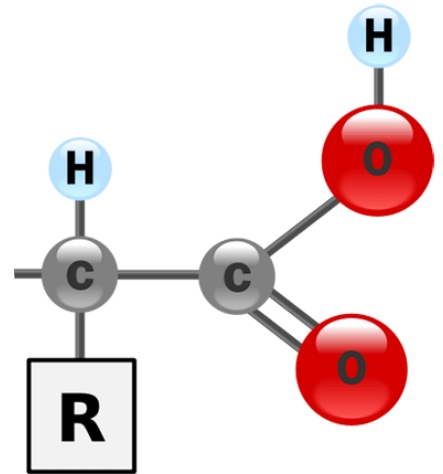


طيب أنا بدي اربطهم مع بعض الحمض مع ال amino بروح اجيب كربونة بتعمل رابطتين معها بنقصها رابطتين ف بشبعها ب H أو ممكن H و R

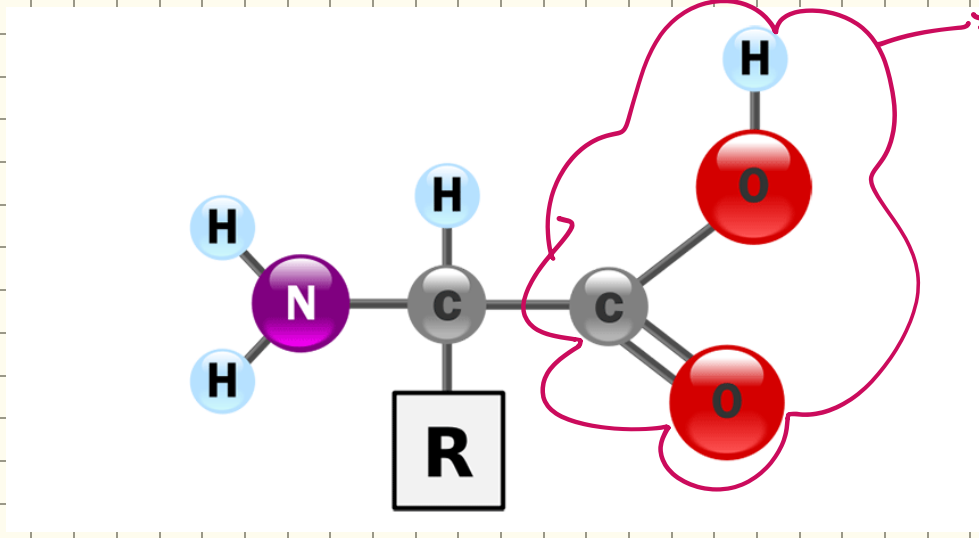


هاد الشق بذكرنا بال Fatty acids  
معناها

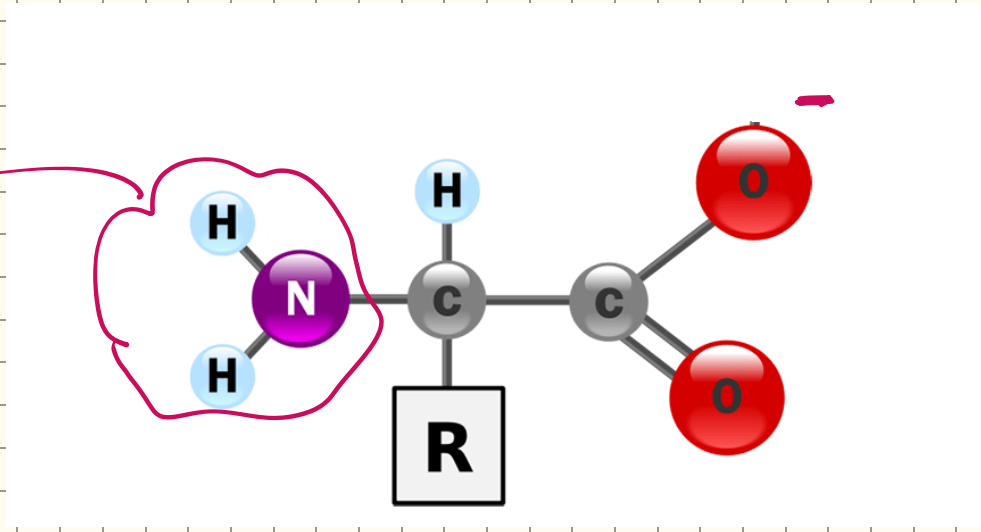
Amino acids = fatty acids + amino



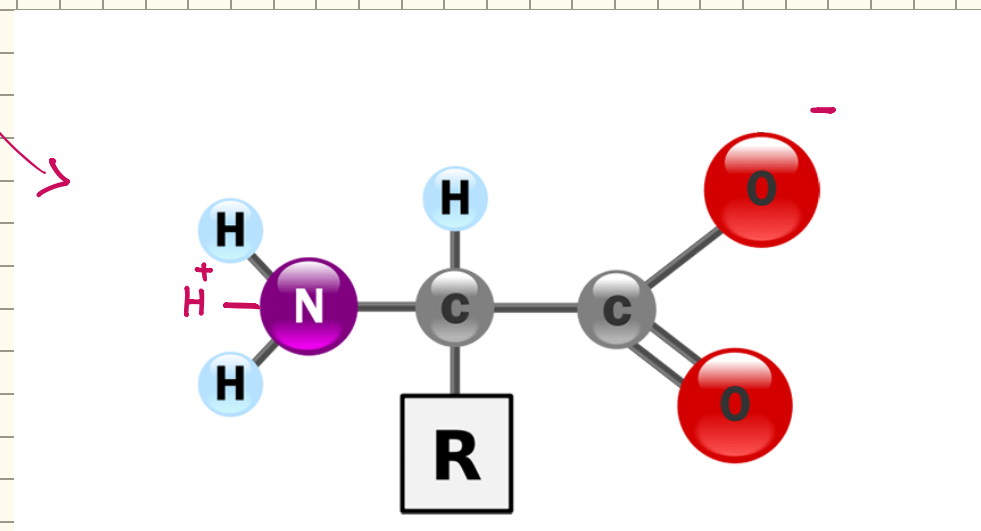
بدنا نتذكر بعض المصطلحات



المحفز  
يعني ربح  
يمنح  $H^+$



وربح نصير  
شحنة المحفز  
البيج



هل نعتبرها asymmetric carbon atom ؟ نعم نعتبرها لأنه حوالها أربع مجموعات مختلفة

طيب معناها ربح تعطيني optical activity الي همهمه L / D

هون ربح أنفرج على مجموعة الأمينو المرتبطة بالكربون هل هي للشمال أو لليمين و احنا الي بجسمنا بتكون L amino acids و بالتحديد L الفا amino acid يعني ربح نعتمد طريقة التسمية الي تحتوي على الفا و بيتا

# Introduction

**Protein:** Organic compounds with high molecular weight formed from amino acids

- Composed of carbon<sup>①</sup>, hydrogen<sup>②</sup>, oxygen<sup>③</sup>, nitrogen<sup>④</sup> +/- sulphur<sup>⑤</sup>
- Nitrogen forms appx 16% of their weight (characteristic for proteins)

يمكن  
يكون

Besides water, proteins are the most abundant molecules in all known forms of life. Proteins are the most diverse class of biological molecules, making up everything from enzymes and hormones to antibodies.

- About 70% of your body weight is water, and about 17% is protein.

# Introduction

Amino acids participate in the biosynthesis of:

Purines → DNA  
Pyrimidines → DNA  
Urea

AA form peptides (2-50 amino acids) which have a roles as:

Hormones  
Neurotransmitters → glutamate / Histidine →<sup>α-glu</sup> Histamine

AA form proteins (>50 amino acids) which have a roles as:

Plasma membrane  
Hormones  
Enzymes

# General Structure of Amino Acids

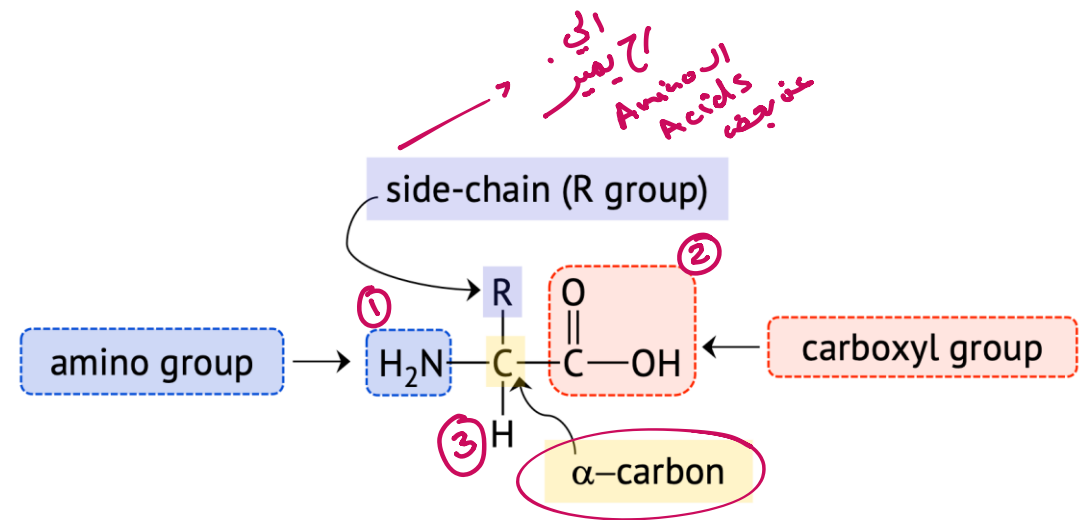
- All amino acids have a **central carbon atom** attached to a **carboxyl group**, an **amino group**, and a **hydrogen atom**.

- The amino acids differ from one another only in the chemical nature of the side chain (R).

\* 500 Amino Acids → في الطبيعة

- There are hundreds of amino acids in nature, but only 20 are used as building blocks of proteins in humans.

→ 21st → Seleno cystine → بعض المصادر ذكرته وبعض لا

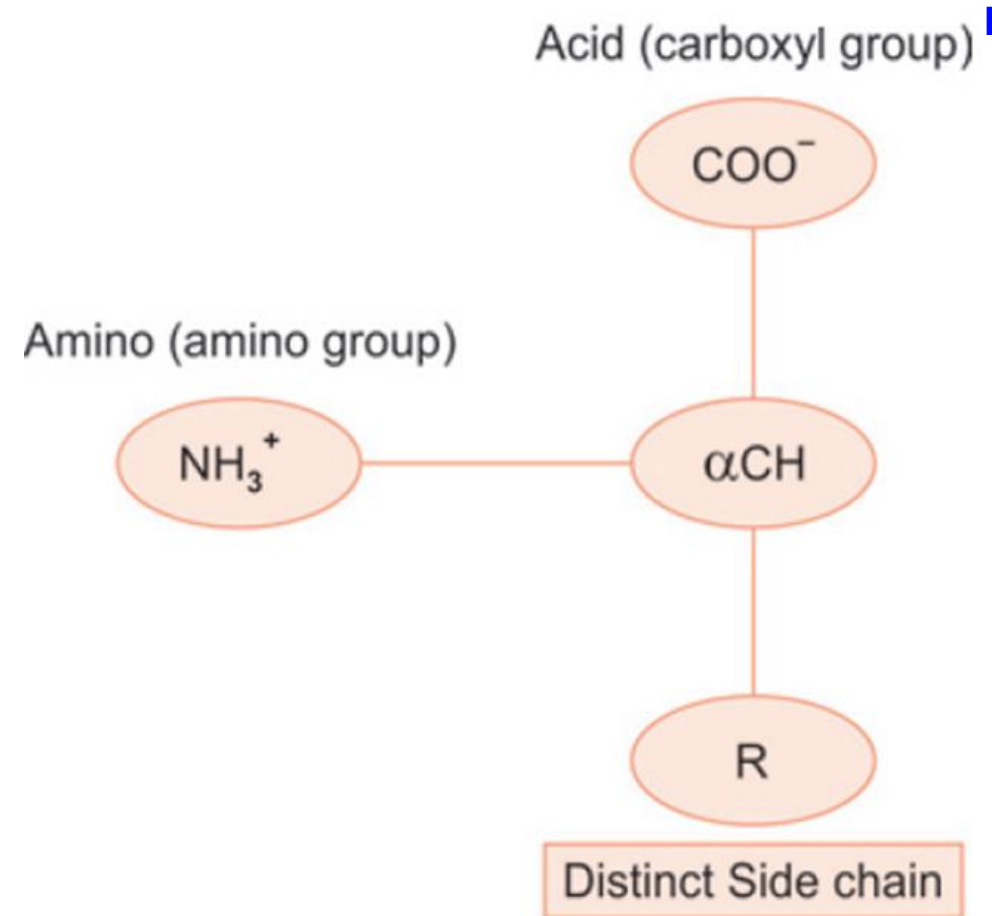


بدنا نركز هون إذا ال **side chain** كانت بس فيها كربون و هيدروجين بتكون **Aliphatic** يعني **Electronegativity** تقريبا متشابهة وهيك بكون **non polar** و بكون **hydrophobic** ما بقدر يعمل **Hydrogen bonds**

# General Structure of Amino Acids

لكن إذا ال **side chain** بحتوي على **groups** غير الكربون و الهيدروجين ف ال **Electronegativity** بتكون غير و هيك بتكون **polar amino acids** و بهاي الحالة بتقدر انه تتفاعل مع المي و تكون **hydrogen bonds**

- The R group is the only part of an amino acid's structure that varies from one to the other; the other parts of the structure are common to all of them.
- R groups are aliphatic when they contain only carbons and hydrogens, which are so similar in electronegativity that they are **nonpolar**—meaning they are **hydrophobic** or can't make hydrogen bonds with water and therefore avoid it.
- Other R groups contain other atoms and can ionize or make hydrogen bonds, so these are **hydrophilic**—they like water.



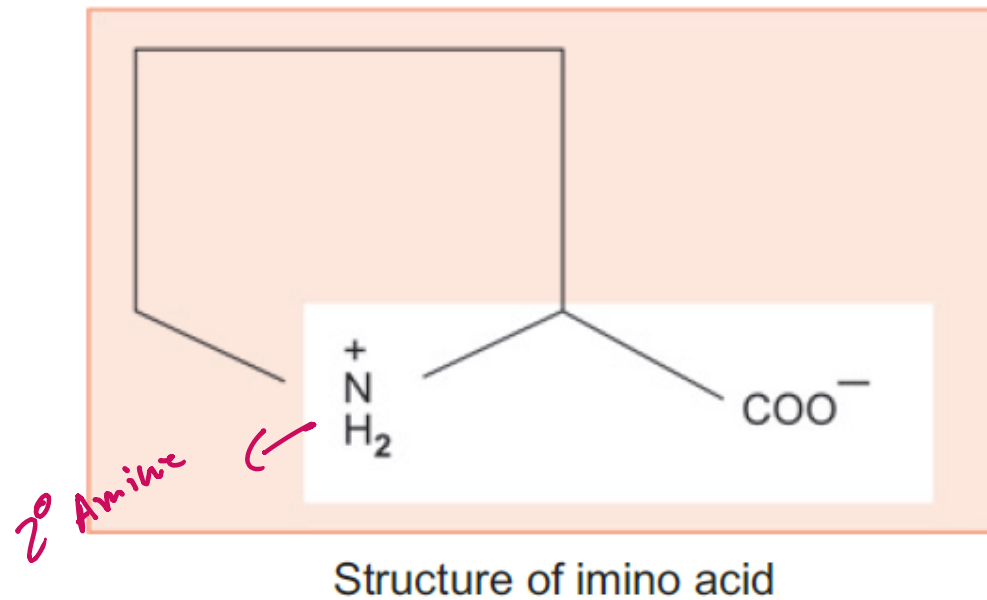
General structure of alpha amino acid



# Imino Acid

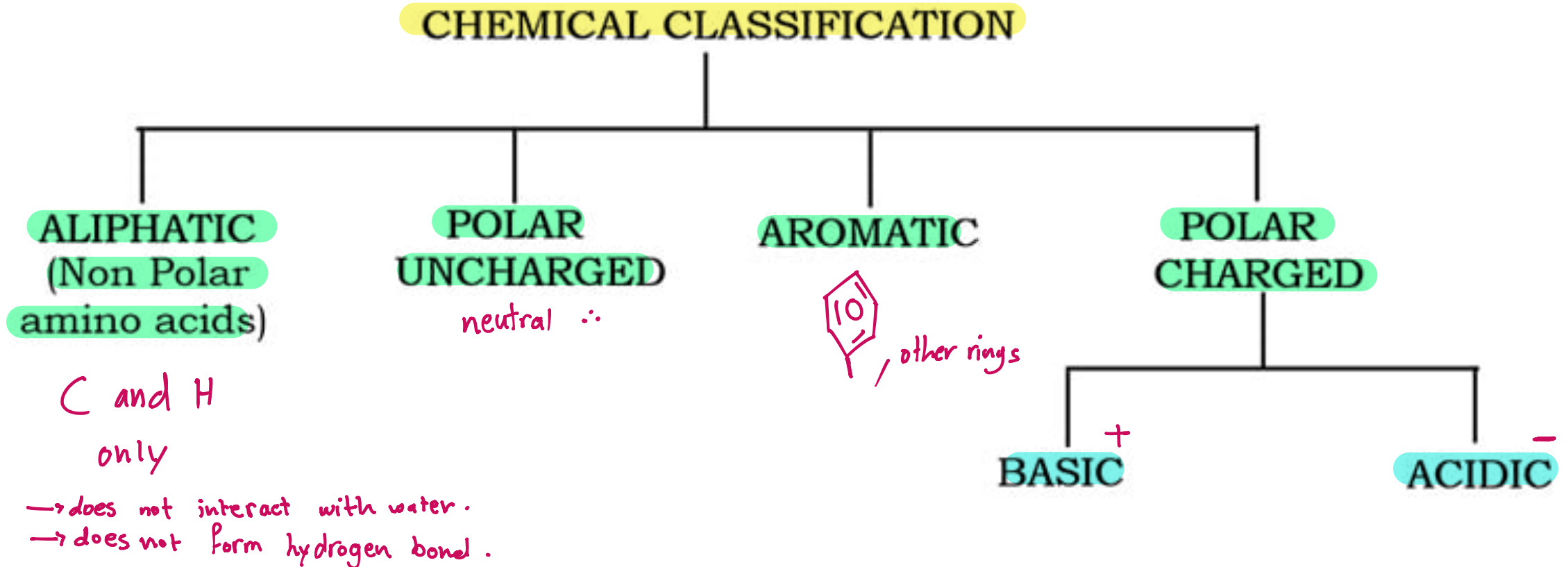
It is a molecule that contains both Imine ( carbon double bonded with NH + carboxyl group)

- Amino acid group not free
- The nitrogen of amino group is seen inside the ring
- **Proline** is an imino acid



# BASED ON CHEMICAL CLASSIFICATION

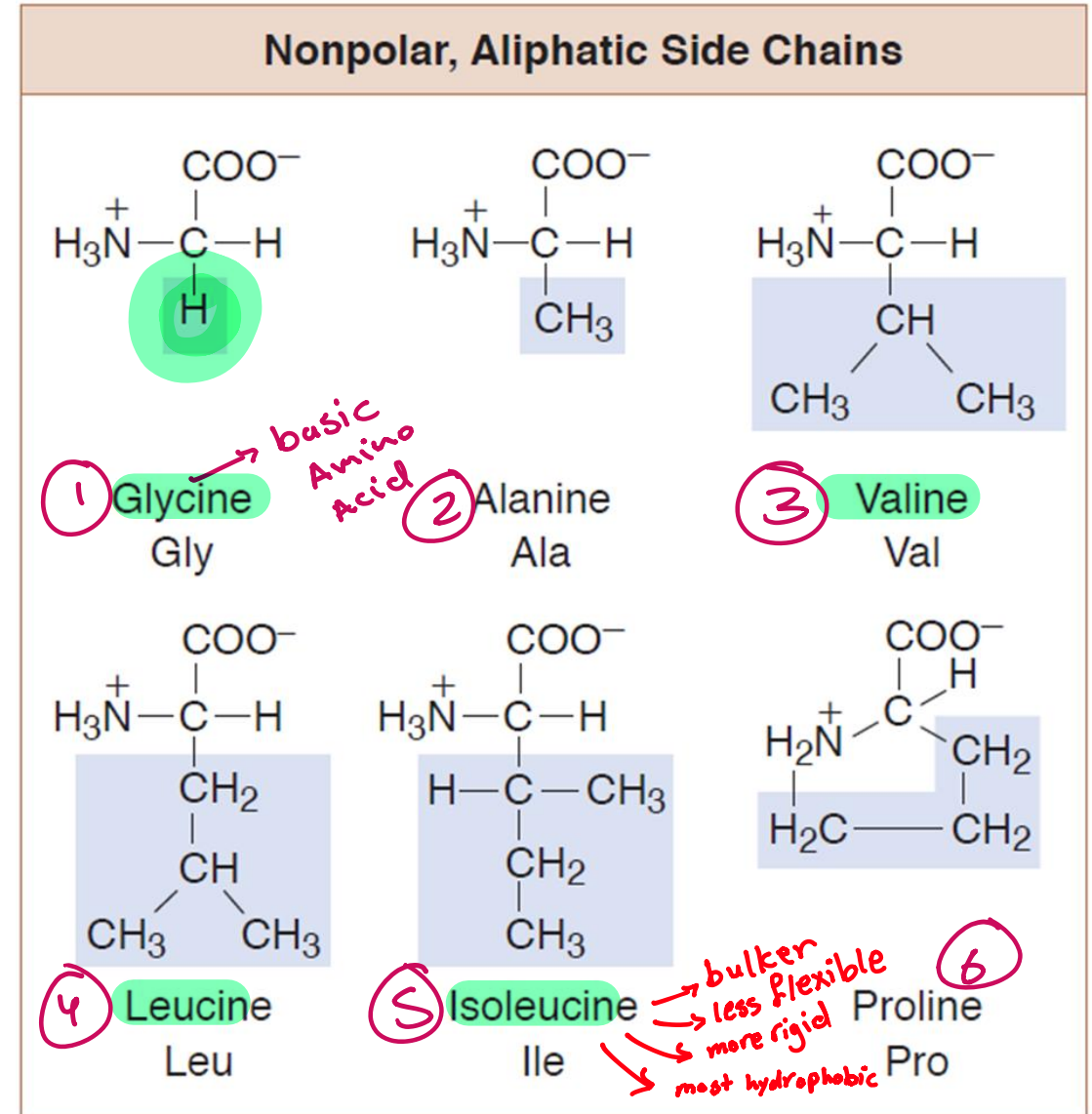
مثل ما قلنا الاختلاف الوحيد بال Amino Acids هو ال side chains



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# Non-Polar Aliphatic Side Chain

- **Hydrophobic amino acids**, which have R groups that mostly contain carbons and hydrogens, include glycine, alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine & proline.
- The degree of hydrophobicity increases steadily from glycine to isoleucine as the R groups increase in size and complexity.



Structure ← \* Valine / Leucine / Isoleucine → branched chain amino acids  
↳ essential amino acids → our body can not produce them

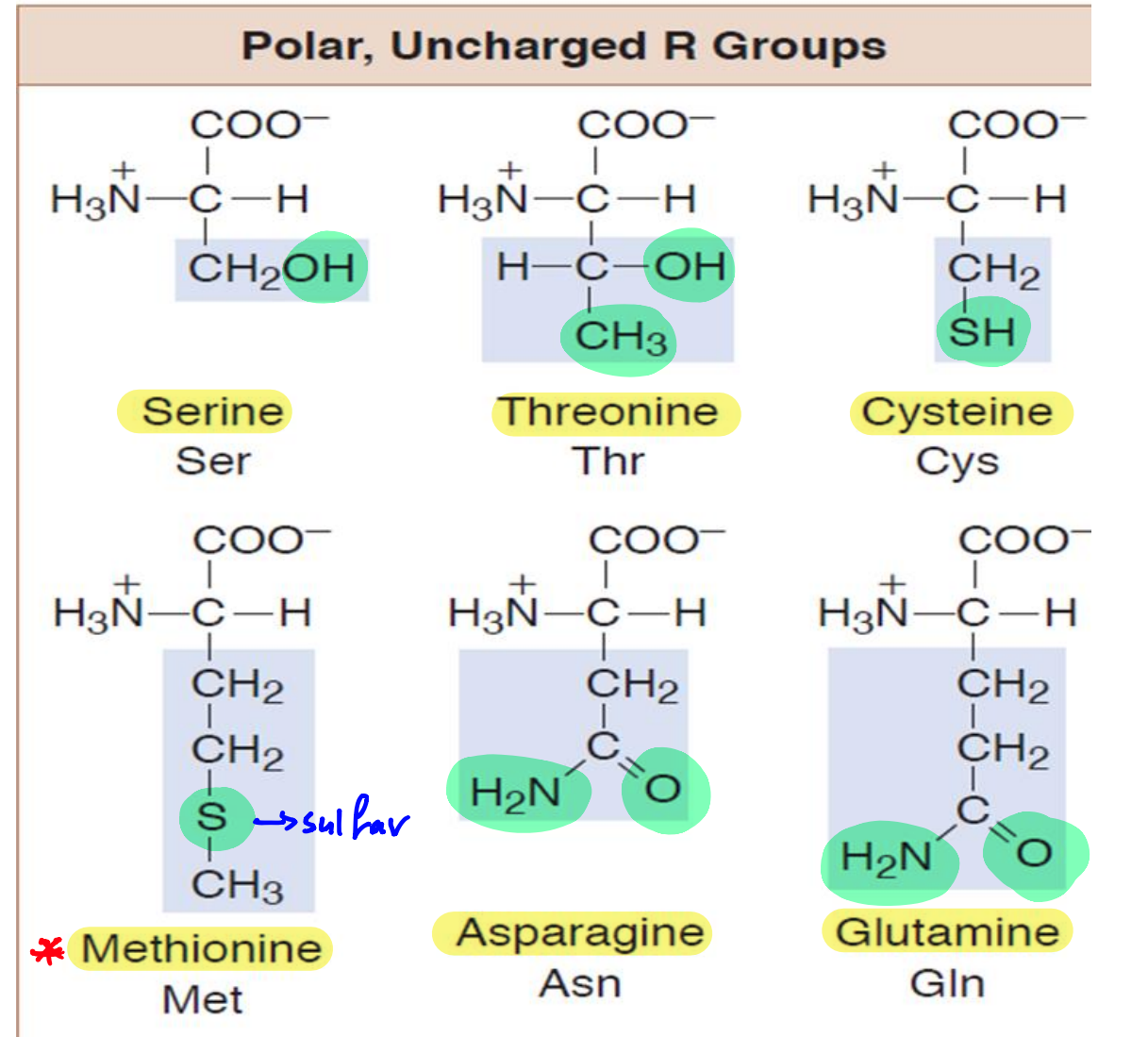
# Polar Uncharged R groups

رج نلاقي بال side chain غير C و H مثل  
OH group ال

More soluble in water than the non-polar aliphatic group.

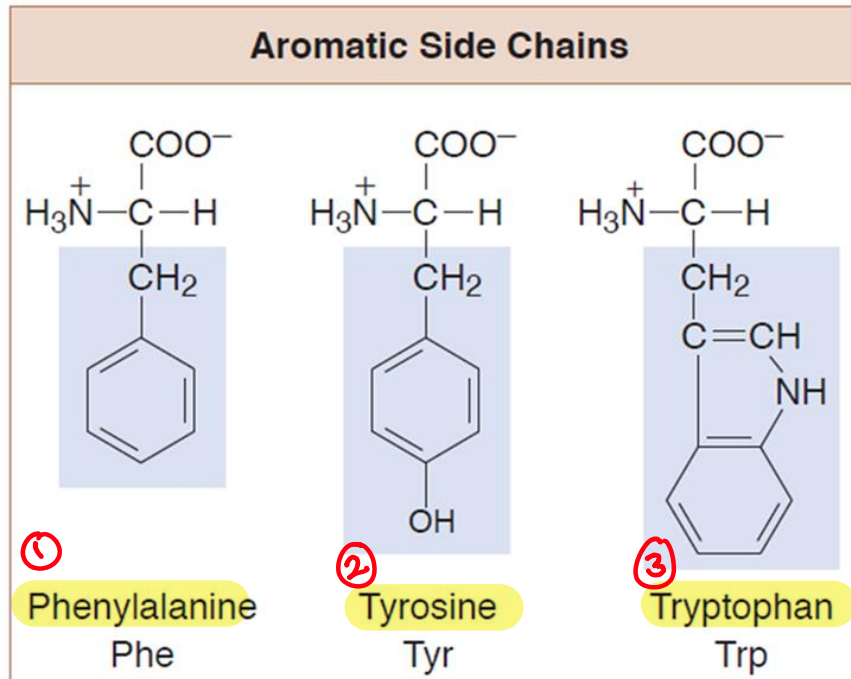
Their (R) groups contain **neutral polar functional groups**, which form hydrogen bonds with water.

- 1- Serine, threonine (contain hydroxyl group)
- 2- Cysteine (contains thiol group)
- 3- Asparagine and glutamine (contain amide group)



معلومة مهمة جداً انه ال Methionine انه احنا خريناه مع ال polar group لانه يحتوي على sulfur لكن هو بالحقيقة (من وجهه نظر sulfur had the same electronegativity as carbon فيها side chain لأنه hydrophobic هو non polar ( biochemistry

# Aromatic Side Chains



نفس الأول بس اضافة الـ OH

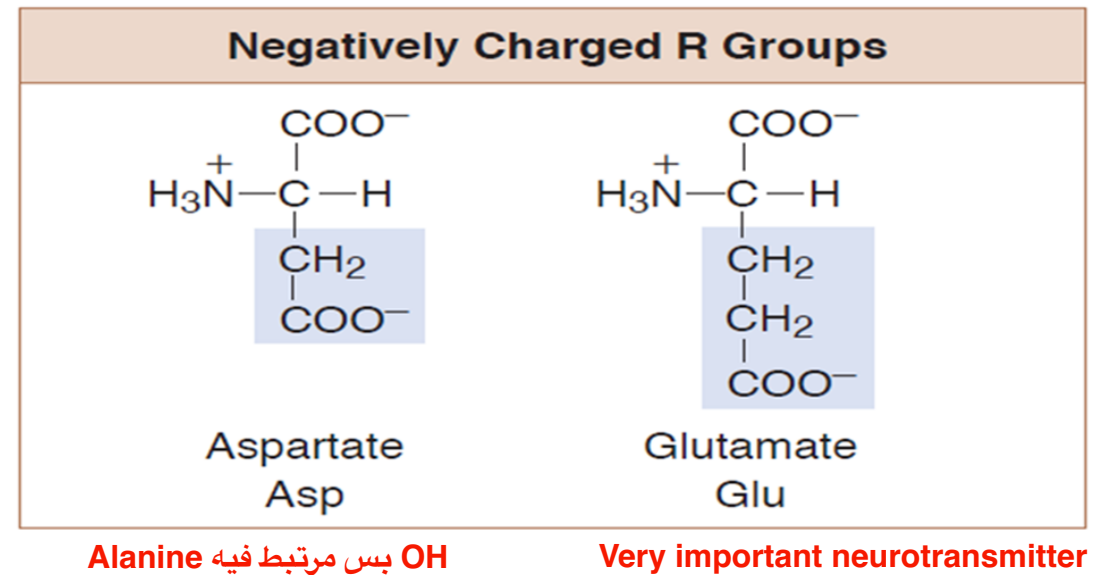
Benzene ring مرتبط مع hypo ring

- A subgroup of the hydrophobic amino acids is the aromatic amino acids, named for the large and quite stable aromatic ring structures in their side chains.
- **Phenylalanine**, is a phenyl ring of 6 carbons attached to an alanine. The R group is hydrophobic. It exhibits some properties of hydrophilic amino acids, but the ring makes it also hydrophobic.
- The largest hydrophobic amino acid is **tryptophan**, which has an R group of 9 carbons and 1 nitrogen in a structure known as an **indole ring**. *Tryptophan is also a component of the neurotransmitter serotonin.*

الTryptophan يمر ب pathway معينة و يصنع من Tryptophan ناقل عصبي هو serotonin

# Negatively Charged R Groups

- The acidic amino acids contain carboxyls in their R groups—**aspartic acid** and **glutamic acid**. Ionized forms of these are called aspartate and glutamate.
- Both aspartate and glutamate help cells use protein as an energy source when supplies of sugar run low or when a person goes on a low-carbohydrate diet. In cells, aspartate and glutamate are important in managing ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>), a toxic by-product of metabolism.

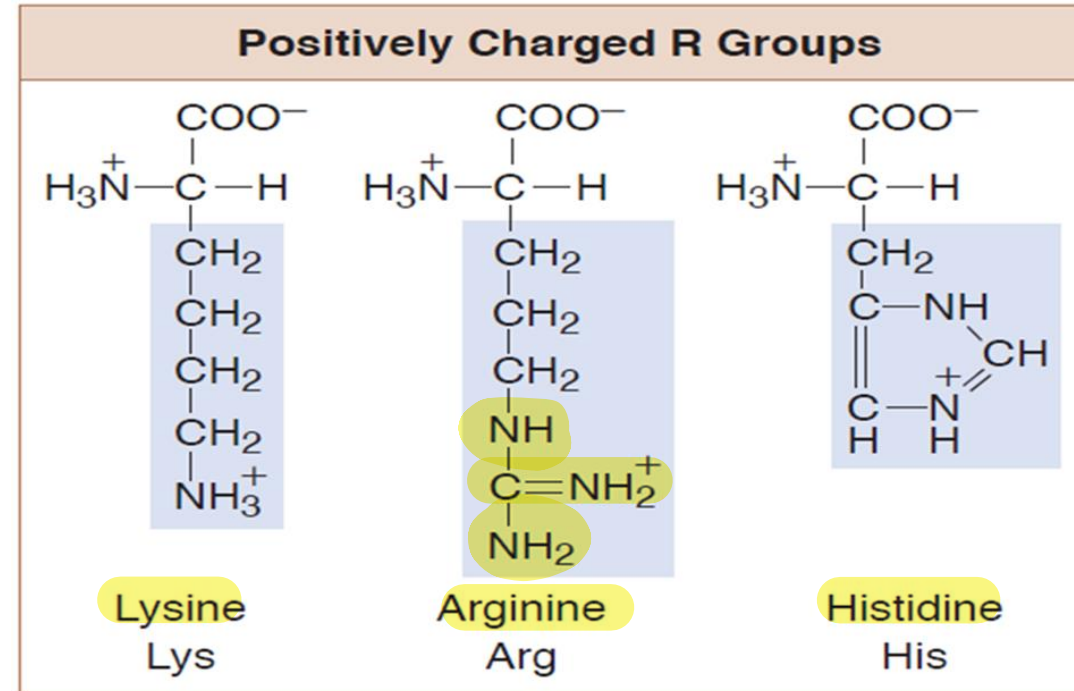


# Positively Charged R Groups

Polar

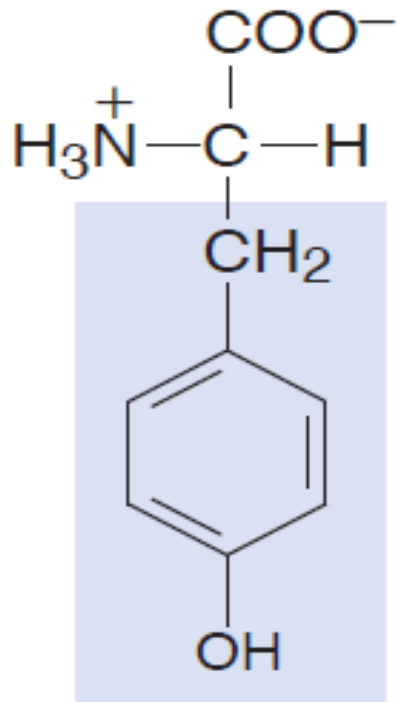
- The 3 basic amino acids—lysine, histidine, and arginine—are called basic because their R groups accept protons at physiological pH, giving them positively charged R groups.
- **Arginine** plays an important role in the urea cycle as the source of urea – (Guanidine group).
- **Histidine** is important in many enzymes and in the blood proteins myoglobin and hemoglobin.

منه  
مهم  
انتها هو

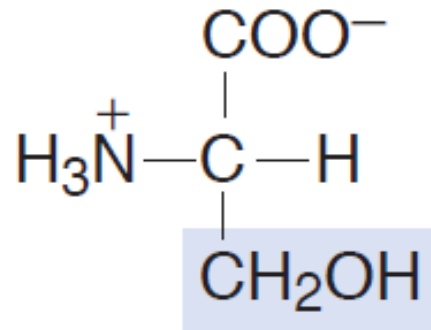


Has a role in neurotransmitter , can convert to Histamine

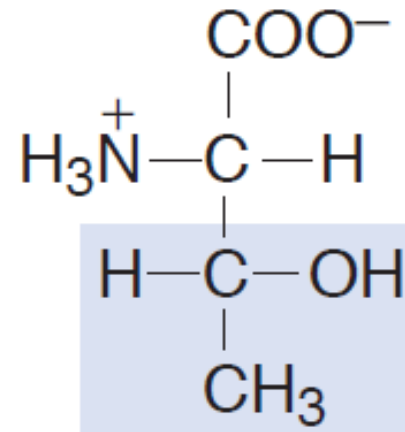
# Amino Acids with Hydroxyl Group



Tyrosine  
Tyr



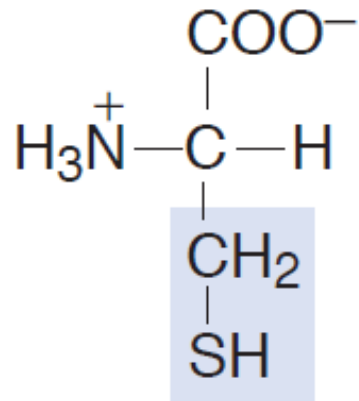
Serine  
Ser



Threonine  
Thr

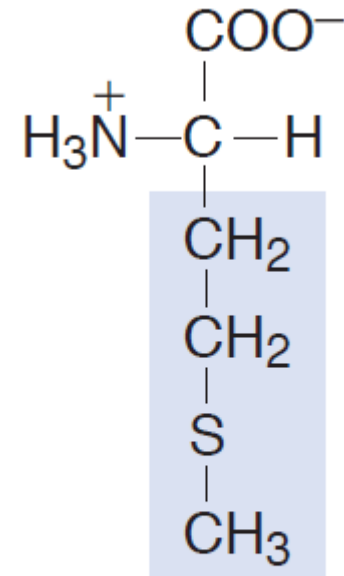


# Amino Acids with Sulfur



Cysteine

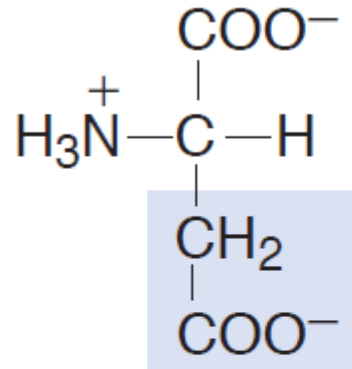
Cys



Methionine

Met

# Amino Acid with Amide Group

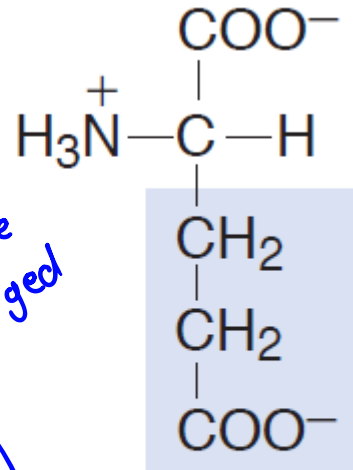


Aspartate  
Asp

negative charged

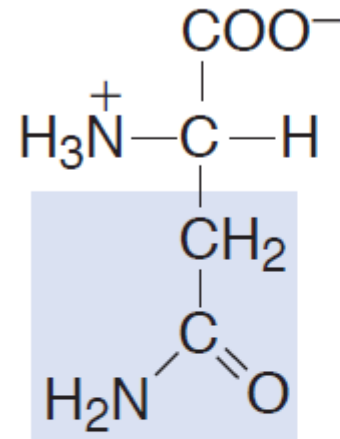


Contain carboxylic acid

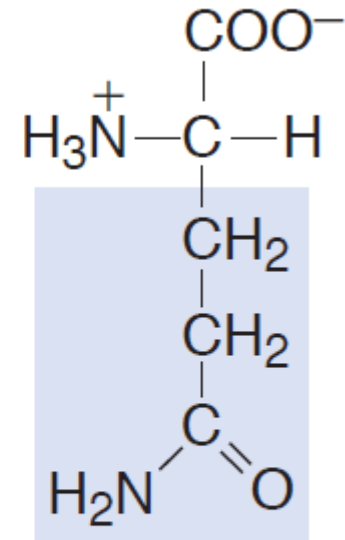


Glutamate  
Glu

→ neurotransmitter  
→ does not cross the BBB (Blood Brain Barrier)



Asparagine  
Asn

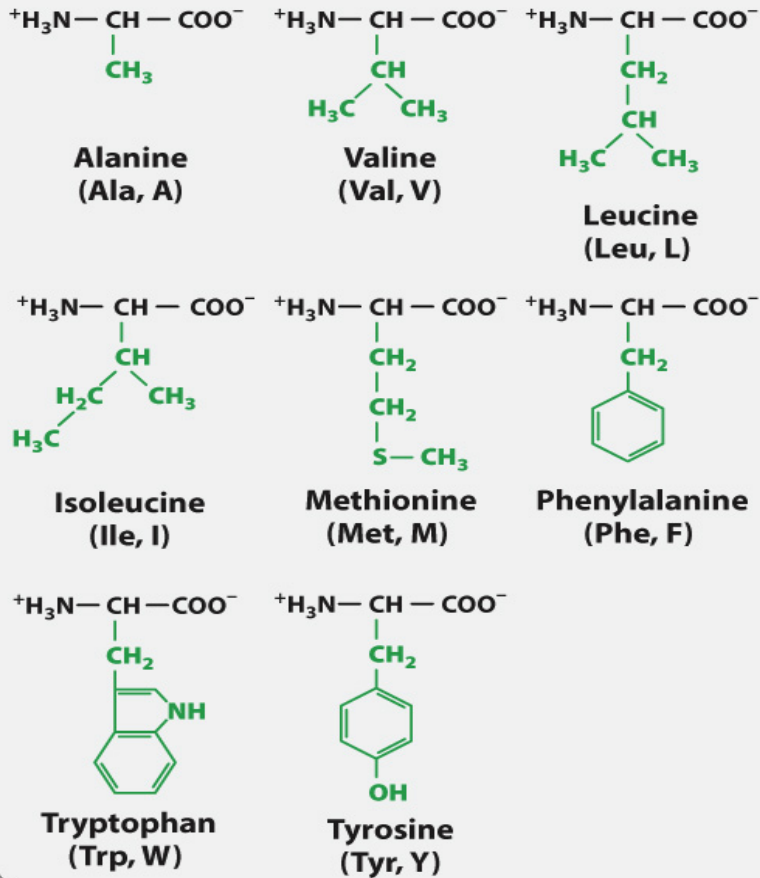


Glutamine  
Gln

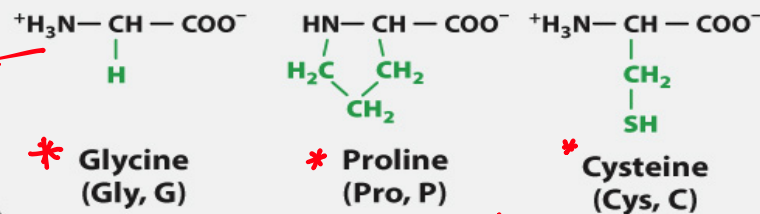
cross the BBB  
بعد , أحوله عن طريق  
الإنزيم في brain إلى  
glutamate

Enzyme → glutaminase

## HYDROPHOBIC AMINO ACIDS



## SPECIAL AMINO ACIDS

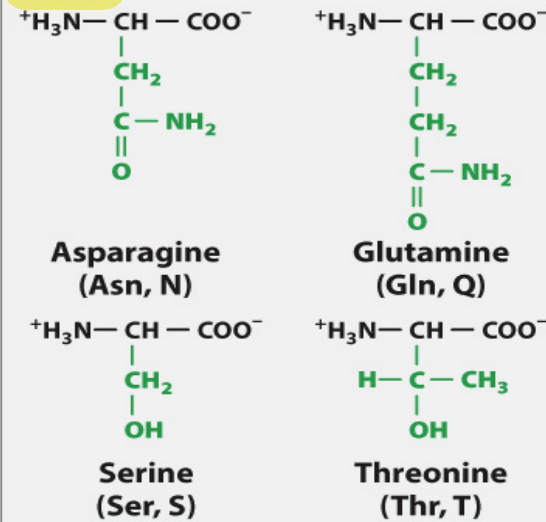


It does not have stereoisomer ←

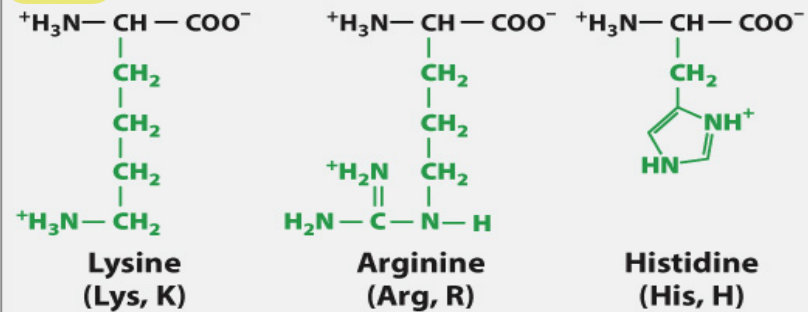
*Imino Acid*

## HYDROPHILIC AMINO ACIDS

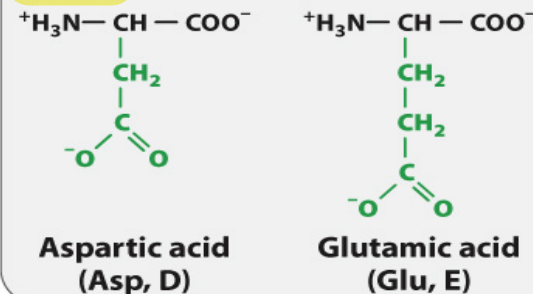
### Polar



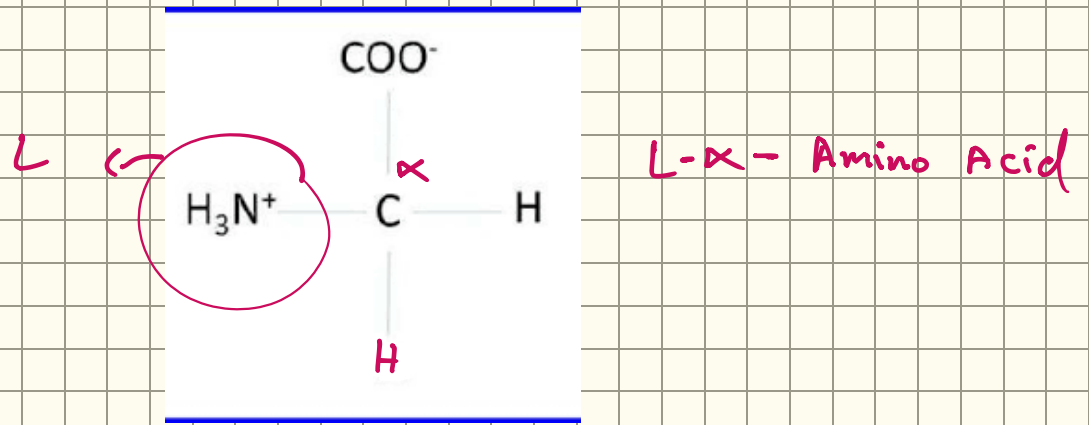
### Basic



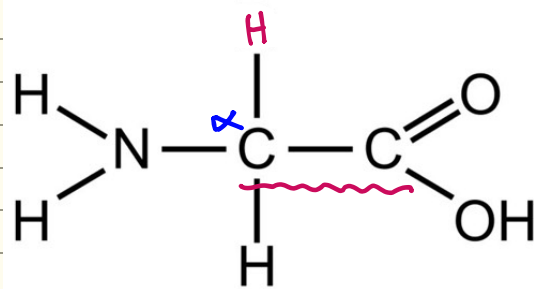
### Acidic



طيب Amino acids الموجودين في جسمنا عبارة عن L الفا amino acid لانو  
رح نلاقى مجموعة ال amino على الشمال

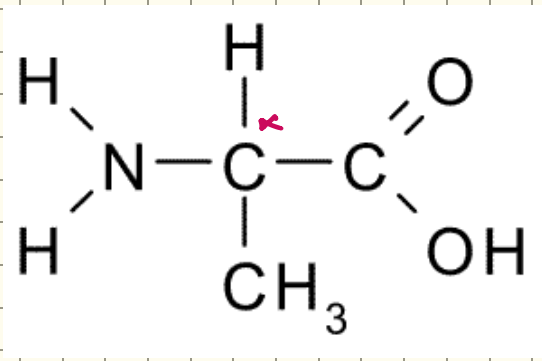


♥ في جسم الإنسان عنا 20 Amino acids ♥



طيب لما نيجي نتفرج أقصر سلسلة ممكن إنها تتكون من كربونتين ف  
هاد أبسط Amino acid

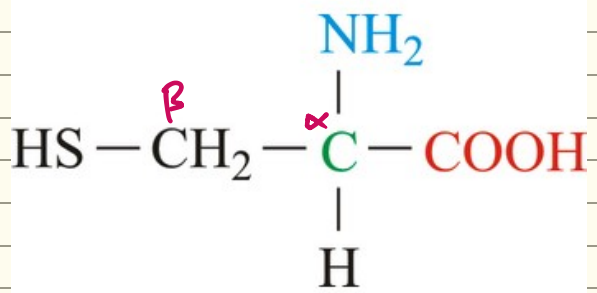
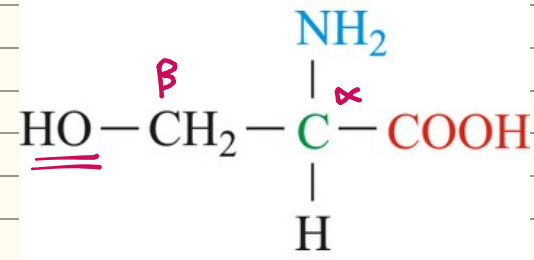
Common name ← Glycin ←



\* Common name → Alanine

لو ضفنا ل Alanine مجموعة OH رح نضيفها على الكربونة الثالثة عند C بيتا

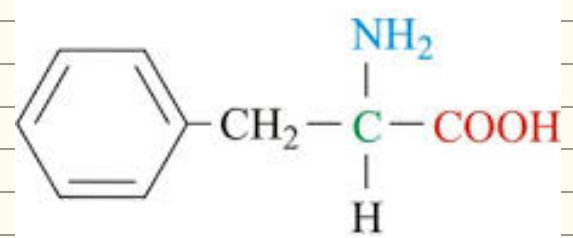
Serine



في عنا مجموعة اسمها Thiol هي SH ف أنا جيت Alanine و ضفت ال SH

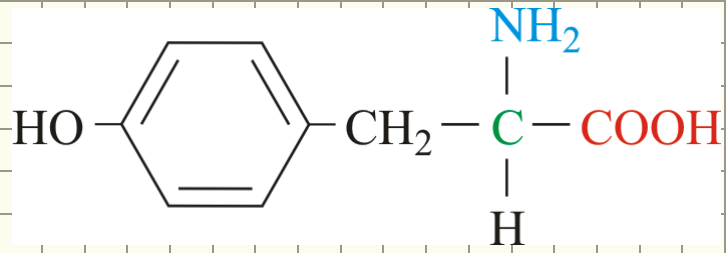
\* Common name → cysteine

طيب لو جيت Alanine و ضفت عليه حلقة بنزين رح يكون اسمه Phenylalanine



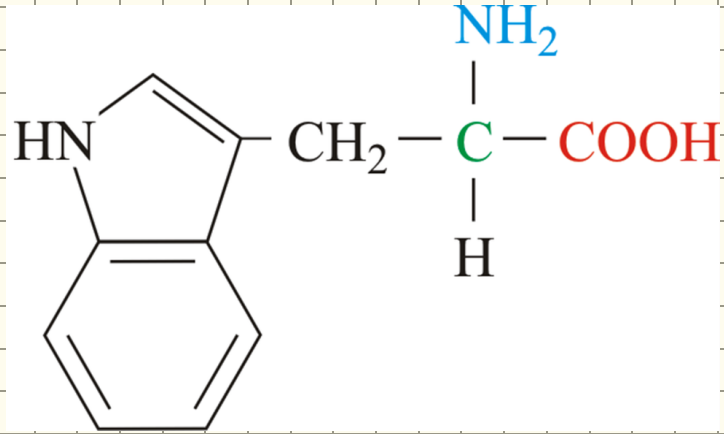
طيب لو ضفت phenol حلقة بنزين عليها OH بصير اسمه

Phenolalanine أو Tyrosine



ممکن انه نضيف حلقات كمان ، حلقات خماسية و سداسية أو خماسية لحال

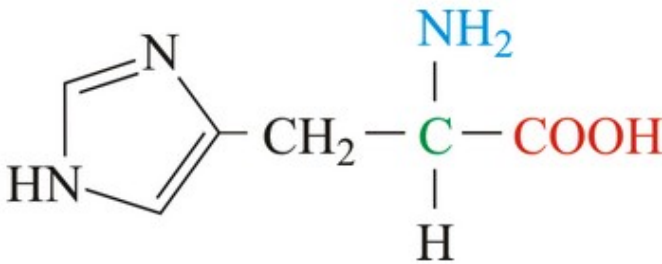
Tryptophan

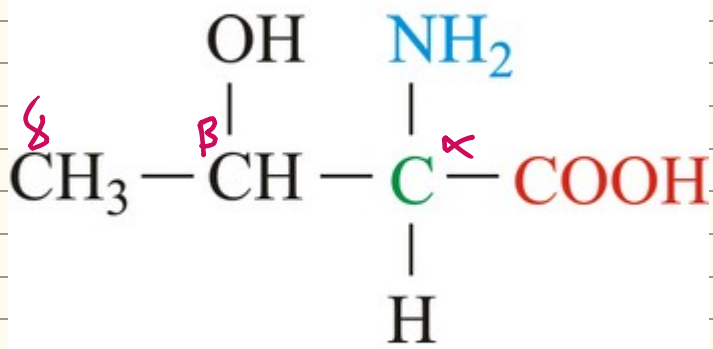


indol → حلقة خماسية + حلقة سداسية

imidazol = حلقة خماسية

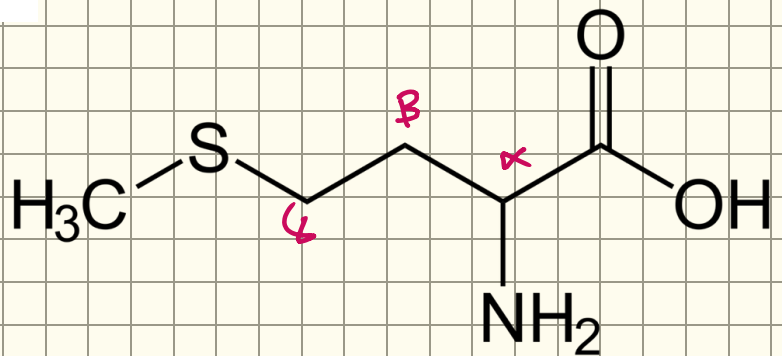
Histidine





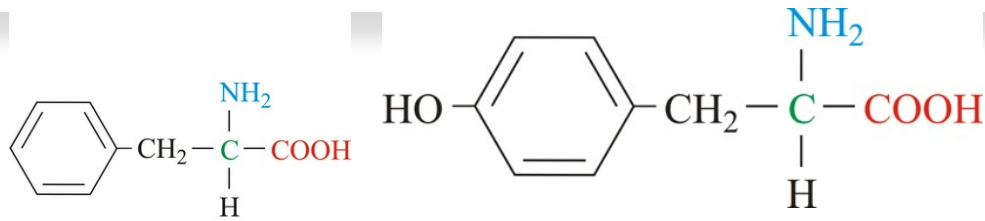
Threonine

لو ضفت عليه Thiol مع methyl  
 $\text{CH}_3 + \text{SH}$



Methionin

# Hydrophobic amino acids



بقدر اصنع منهم (catecholamines) neurotransmitters

يعني أنا بحول اولاً

Phenylalanine

Tyrosine

Dopamine

Norepinephrine

Epinephrine

- **Phenylalanine** and **tyrosine** are precursors for catecholamines.
- **Tryptophan** can form serotonin and **niacin**. → Vitamin B3
- **Valine, leucine, and isoleucine** are **branched-chain amino acids**.



# Hydrophilic Amino Acids

العادة

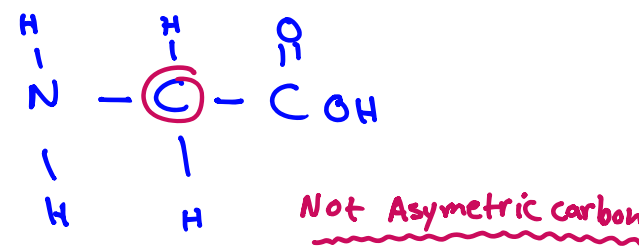
- Have side chains that contain O or N atoms; some of the hydrophilic side chains are charged at physiologic pH.
  - The acidic amino acids (**aspartic** and **glutamic acids**) have carboxyl groups that are negatively charged, whereas the basic amino acids (**lysine, arginine, and histidine**) have nitrogen atoms that are positively charged.
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# Side notes!

معظم المصادر تعتبر Tyrosine انه non polar بسبب حلقة البنزين لأنه رح اعتبر الكهروسلبية نفس الشيء بس في مصادر بتحكي انه بسبب وجود OH group ف الكهروسلبية تتغير ف يعتبرو polar بس اغلب الأحيان هو non polar و hydrophobic

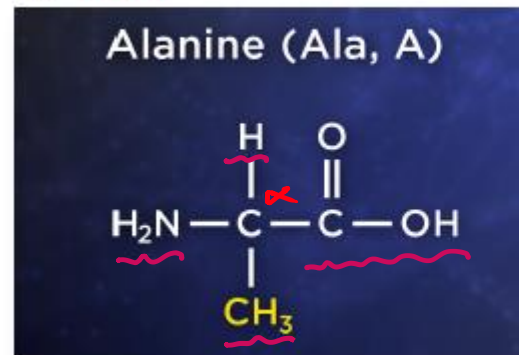
- **Tyrosine** can be considered nonpolar or polar because of the ability of the -OH group to form a hydrogen bond.
- **Methionine** can be considered nonpolar or polar because it contains a sulfur.

# Optical Activity

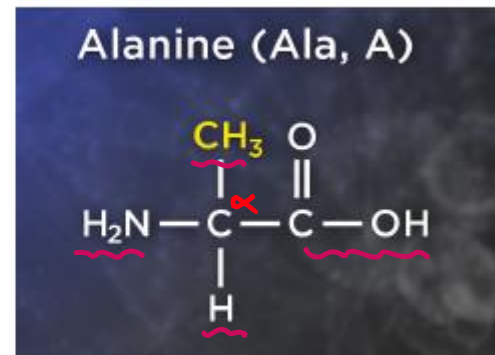


- All amino acids except glycine can exist in 2 mirror image forms.
- These differ in the arrangement of the 4 groups around the alpha carbon.
- It's like right and left hands that cannot be superimposed on each other.
- The 2 forms are called stereoisomers: the L form and the D form.
- Glycine is different from all the other amino acids in having an H across from another H, so there's only one form of glycine.

L FORM



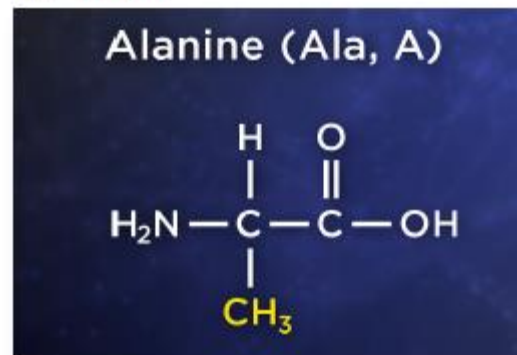
D FORM



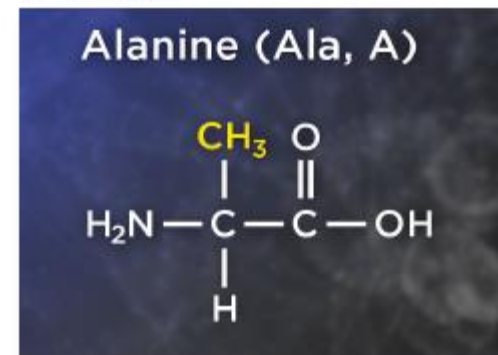
# Optical Activity

- All chiral compounds, such as amino acids when made apart from cells, have a 50/50 mixture of the D and L forms.
- However, amino acids made in cells for use in protein synthesis are almost completely in the L form. D form في بعض البكتيريا و micro organisms يتكون

L FORM



D FORM



# BASED ON NUTRITIONAL REQUIREMENT

20 amino acids are needed for protein synthesis.

- **Essential:** Those amino acids which cannot be synthesized in the body. Hence these amino acids are to be supplied in the diet.

8 Amino Acids

- **Semi-essential:** Growing children require them in the food, but not essential in adults (ex: Arginine).  
بتتصنع بطريقة بطيئة بالجسم ، بتتصنع بأوقات معينة بالجسم فقط أو بعد عمر معين

2 Amino Acids  
Histidine → Arginine

- **Nonessential:** Amino acids which can be synthesized in the body, hence not required in the diet.

10 Amino Acids

# Essential Amino Acids

## PVT TIM HALL

### P.V.T.

- P = Phenylalanine
- V - Valine
- T - Threonine

### T.I.M.

- T - Tryptophan
- I - Isoleucine
- M - Methionine

### H.A.L.L.

- H - Histidine
- A - Arginine
- L - Leucine
- L - Lysine

"Any Help In Learning These Little Molecules Proves Truly Valuable"

This stands for

Arginine, Histidine, Isoleucine, Leucine, Threonine, Lysine, Methionine, Phenylalanine, Tryptophan and Valine in that order.

Try T.His V.I.P M.A.L.L

Try::Tryptophan

T::Threonine

His::Histadimine

V::Valine

I::Isoleucine

P::Phenylalanine

M::Methionine

\*\*A::Arginine

L::Leucine

L::Lysine

branched  
Amino  
Acids

Semi - essential  
بنتفع ببطء في الجسم  
( ضروري في الجسم )  
بقدر الجسم يصنعه

Semi - essential  
ما ينتفع في الأطفال



# Non-essential Amino acids

- The remaining 10 amino acids are non-essential, because their carbon skeleton can be synthesized by the body.
  - The non-essential amino acids are **Alanine, Asparagine, Aspartate, Cysteine, Glutamine, Glutamate, Glycine, Proline, Serine and Tyrosine.**
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# Essential & Non-Essential Amino Acids

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هؤلاء Semi essential كان تصنيف جديد ف كانوا يعتبرو semi essential من التئين essential و nonessential

## Essential Amino Acids:

- ✍ Arginine
- Isoleucine
- Histidine
- Leucine
- Methionine
- Lysine
- Phenylalanine
- Tryptophan
- Threonine
- Valine

## Non-Essential Amino Acids:

- Alanine
- ✍ Arginine
- Asparagine
- Aspartic Acid
- Cysteine
- Glutamic Acid
- Glutamine
- Glycine
- Proline
- Serine
- Tyrosine



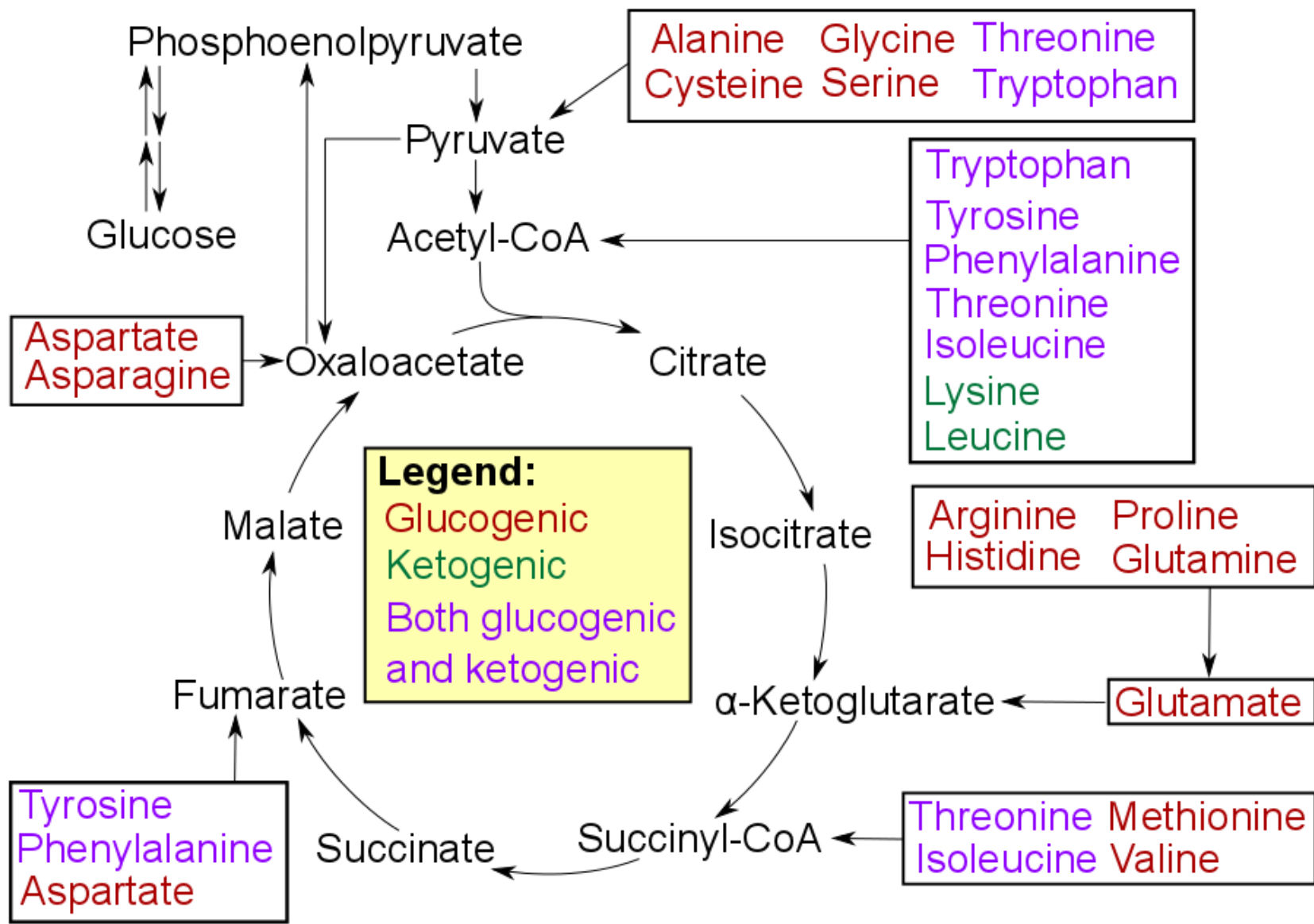
# BASED ON METABOLIC FATE

في أوقات بصنف ال Amino acids حسب metabolic fate تبعهم هل رح يصنعوا غلوكوز (glucogenic) أو keton bodies بسميهم (ketogenic)

- **Purely ketogenic:** Leucine & Lysine are purely ketogenic because they are converted to ketone bodies
- **Ketogenic and glucogenic:** Isoleucine, Phenylalanine, Tyrosine and Tryptophan are partially ketogenic and partially glucogenic. During metabolism, part of the carbon skeleton of these amino acids will enter the ketogenic pathway and the other part to glucogenic pathway.
- **Purely glucogenic:** All the remaining 14 amino acids are purely glucogenic as they enter only into the glucogenic pathway

| Ketogenic Amino Acide  | Glucogenic and Ketogenic Amino Acides  | lucogenic Amino Acid  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Leucine</li><li>• Lysine</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tyrosine</li><li>• Tryptophan</li><li>• Threonine</li><li>• Isoleucine</li><li>• Phenylalanine</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rest all are Glucogenic</li></ul> |

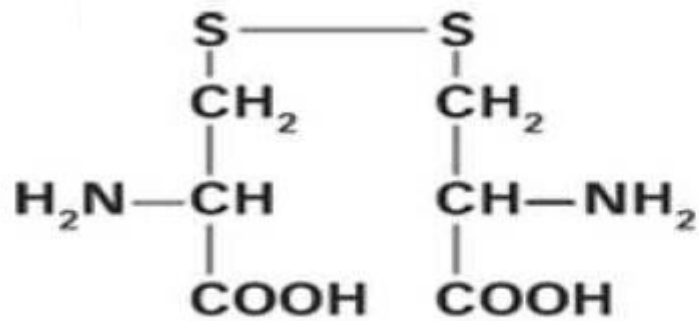
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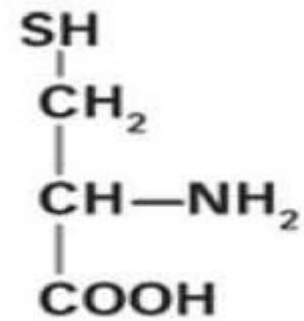
# PROPERTIES OF AMINO ACIDS

احنا اعتبرنا ال cysteine هو special amino acid لأنه مرات بشكل رابطة مع cysteine تاني و يكون Cystine وهو poorly soluble في الجسم

- Solubility: all amino acids are soluble in water.
- However, cystine is poorly soluble; that is why excretion of large amounts of cystine in urine (cystinuria) leads to stone formation.  
*kidney stones*



Cystine



Cysteine

# PROPERTIES OF AMINO ACIDS

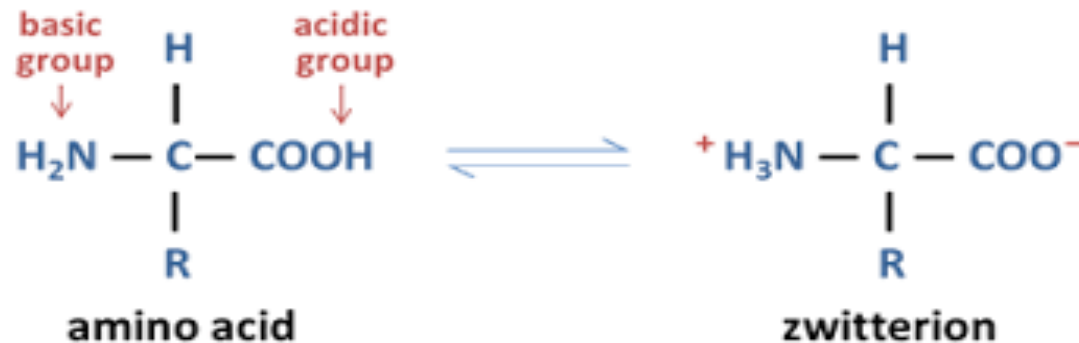
## Amphoteric properties:

Amino acids contain at least one carboxyl and one amino group.

net charge  
↓  
zero

- The carboxyl group is acidic and can dissociate into a negatively charged carboxylate ion and a hydrogen ion.
- The amino group is basic; it combines with a hydrogen ion to form the positively charged ammonium ion.

At the physiologic pH the amino acid carries both positive and negative charges and has the following structure:



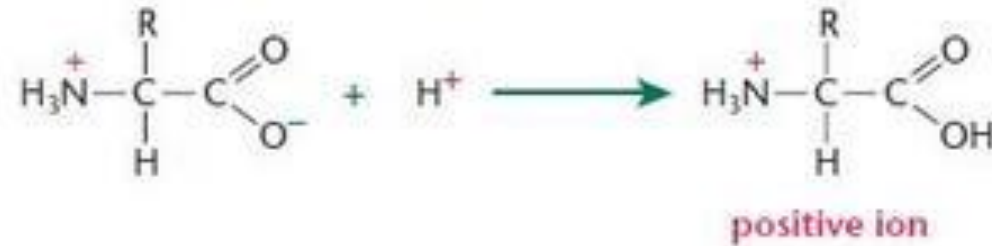
## عنا حالتين Amino acid بقدر انه يكون ك Base أو Acid

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### Amino acids as bases

In strongly **acidic** conditions a **positive ion** forms:

- an amino acid behaves as a **base**
- the  $\text{COO}^-$  ion gains a proton.



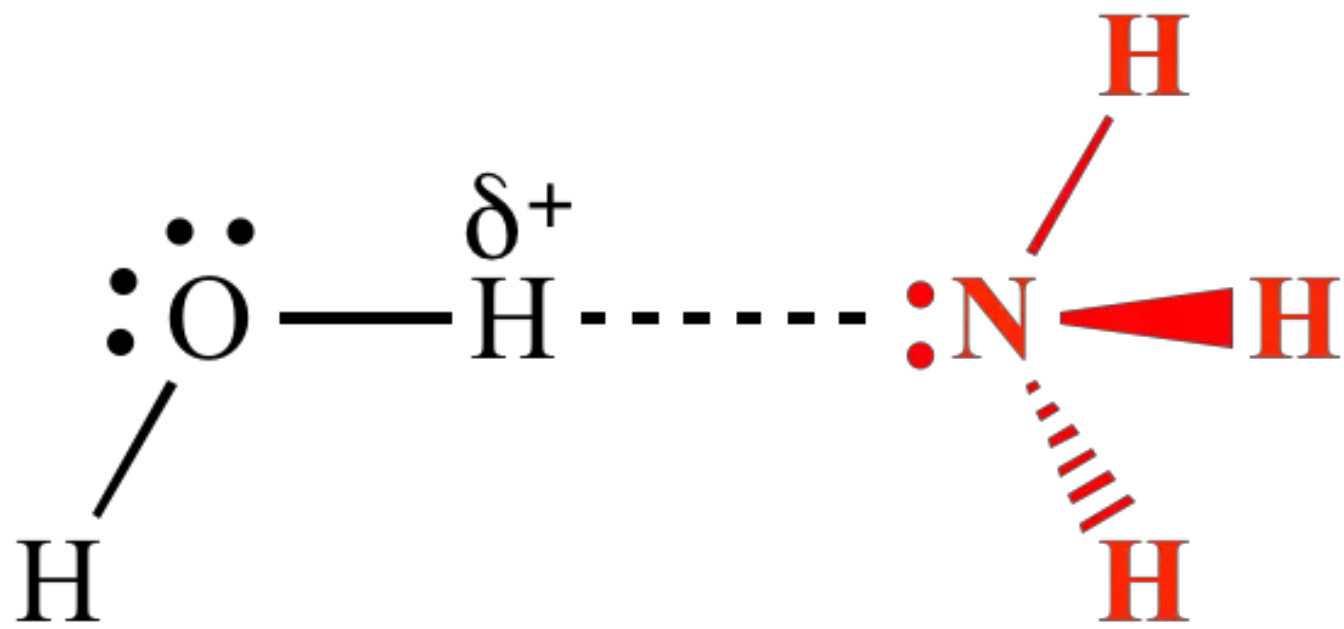
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### Amino acids as acids

In strongly **alkaline** conditions a **negative ion** forms:

- an amino acid behaves as an **acid**
- the  $\text{NH}_3^+$  ion loses a proton.





في عنا شي اسمه isoelectric point of the amino acid وهاي النقطة الي يكون فيها ال Amino acid zwitterions يعني محصلة الشحنة صفر

# PROPERTIES OF AMINO ACIDS

كل amino acid الو different isoelectric point

- Amino Acids exist in three charged states, **positive, negative & neutral**.

This depends on two factors:

1. Isoelectric pH of the amino acid.
2. pH of the surrounding medium.

Isoelectric pH of amino Acids:

1. At pH = Isoelectric pH
2. At pH < Isoelectric pH
3. At pH > Isoelectric pH

The isoelectric point of an amino acid is **the point at which the amino acid has no net electrical charge**.

# PROPERTIES OF AMINO ACIDS

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1. At pH less than isoelectric pH

Amino acid exists as positively charged.

2. At pH more than isoelectric pH

Amino acid exists as negatively charged.

3. At pH = Isoelectric pH

- The amino acid carries equal number of positive and negative charges, i.e. no net charges.
- Amino acid exists as Zwitter ion (ampholyte)

\*A zwitterion is an ion that contains two functional groups. In simple terms, it is an ion possessing both positive and negative electrical charges. Therefore, zwitterions are mostly electrically neutral (the net formal charge is usually zero)

سؤال : مثلاً isoelectric point لل tyrosine هي  
5.7 و Ph في الوسط هي 2 ف  
؟ tyrosine act as  
Positively charged



# Questions

- Which of these amino acids has a side chain that can become ionized in cells?

A. Histidine → already charged

B. Leucine

C. Proline

D. Threonine

# Questions

- Which of these amino acids has a chiral carbon in its side chain?

I. Serine

II. Threonine

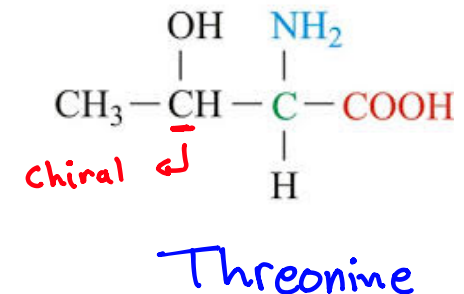
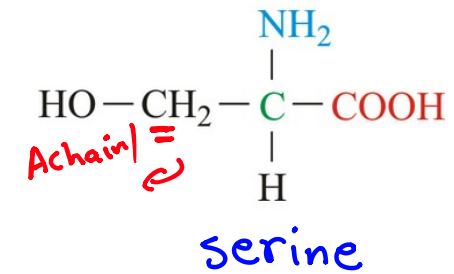
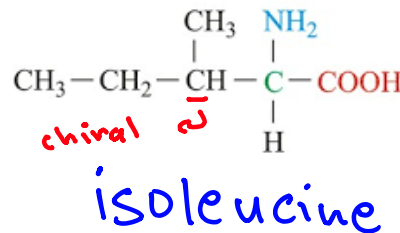
III. Isoleucine

A. I only

B. II only

C. II and III only

D. I, II, and III



# Questions

• In a neutral solution, most amino acids exist as:

A. positively charged compounds.

B. zwitterions.  $\longrightarrow$  zero net charged

C. negatively charged compounds.

D. hydrophobic molecules.