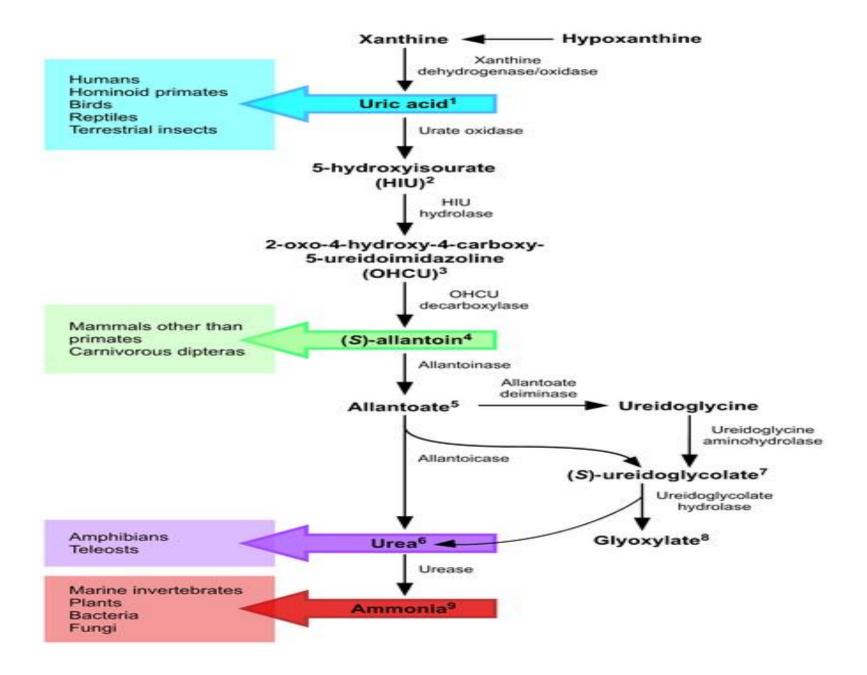
Ουρική νόσος

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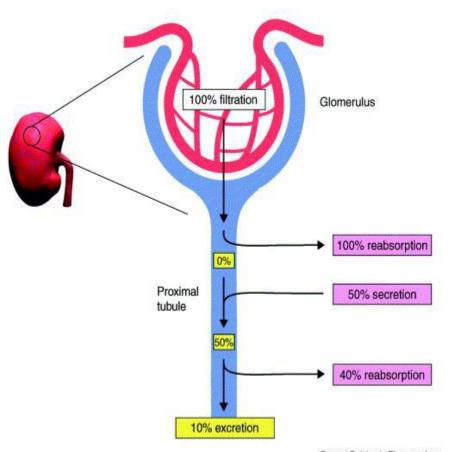


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Current Opinion in Pharmacology

Ποιος ο ρόλος του ουρικού οξέος στον οργανισμό?

• Θετική βιολογική δράση

- Διατήρηση φυσιολογικής αρτηριακής πίεσης σε δίαιτες με χαμηλό νάτριο
- Αντιοξειδωτικό
- Νευροπροστατευτική δραστηριότητα
- Συσχέτιση με το IQ

Higher antioxidant capacity and greater longevity

- It is thought that UA contributes to >50% of the antioxidant capacity of blood. For this reason, Ames et al. proposed that the loss of uricase expression and the subsequent increase in UA levels had the evolutionary benefit of increasing antioxidant capacity, increasing the life expectancy of hominids and decreasing agespecific cancer rates. The loss of uricase could be associated with the previous loss of capacity to synthesize vitamin C which occurred 40-50 million years ago
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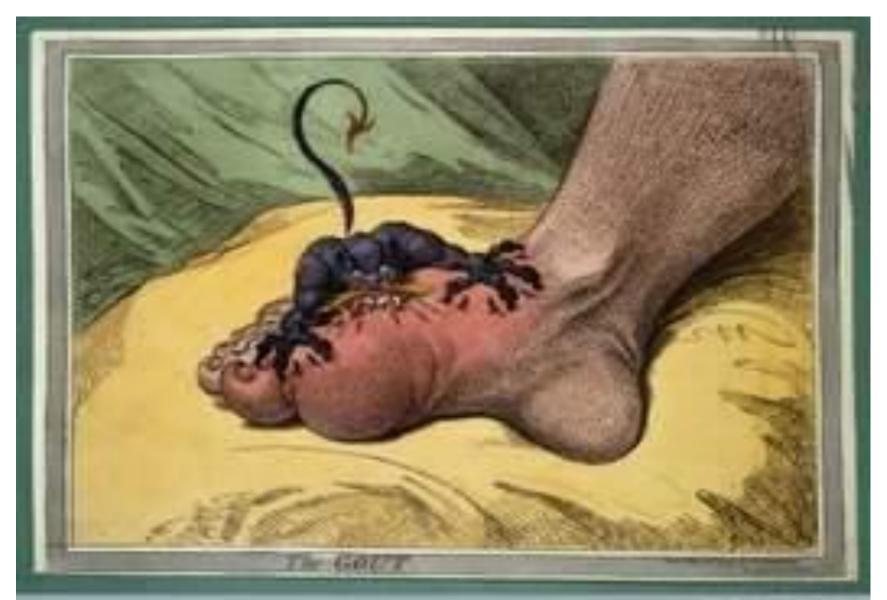
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Βιολογικη δραση ουρικου

- gout
- uric lithiasis,
- association with hypertension, metabolic syndrome, renal disease and cardiovascular disease

Hypotheses on **evolution**ary advantages of the loss of **uric**ase

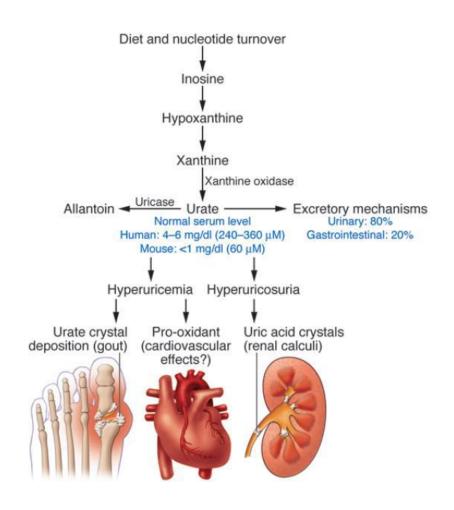
- Higher antioxidant capacity and greater longevity
- To maintain blood pressure during low salt ingestion
- UA and intelligence
- UA and neuroprotection

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- Pegloticase: Mechanism of Action
- Reprinted from Baraf HSB, Matsumoto AK. *Int J Clin Rheumatol*. 2012;7(2):143-154. **Hypoxanthine**
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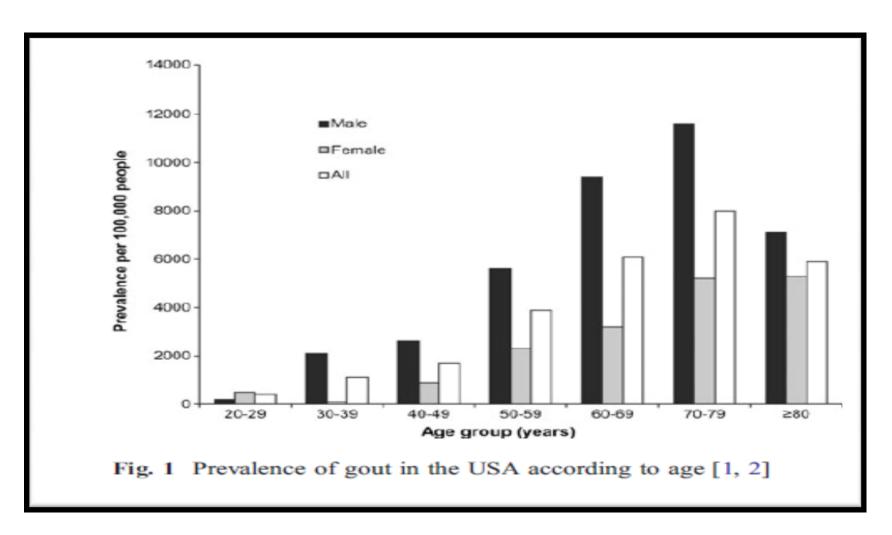
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Pathways of urate homeostasis



Prevalence of Gout According to Age

Gonzalez EB. Clin Rheumatol(2012)31:13-21



Epidemiology

- ②One of the most common rheumatic diseases of adulthood
- Prevalence
- 23.9% of adults in the US
- 2~8.3 million people
- 2 Increases with age
- Peaks at 30 to 50 years of age
- ② Affects men about 7-9 times more often than women
- ②Men 40-44 y/o: 1 in 1,000
- ②Men 55-64 y/o: 1.8 in 1,000
- ②Young women: 0.8 cases per 10,000 patient-years
- ②Among those age ≥45: higher in African Americans than in whites
- Incidence and prevalence of gout are increasing worldwide
- Increased longevity, dietary habits, obesity and the metabolic syndrome
- Lawrence RC, et al. Arthritis Rheum. 2008 January ; 58(1): 26–35 Kramer HM, et al. Am J Kidney Dis 2002;40:37–42. Mikuls TR, et al. Ann Rheum Dis 2005;64:267–272

Overproduction of Uric Acid

- Enzyme abnormalities
- Increase in the activity of phosphoribosyl pyrophosphate (PRPP) synthetase
- Increased concentration of PRPP
- PRPP is a key determinant of purine synthesis and uric acid production
- Deficiency of hypoxanthine-guanine phosphoribosyltransferase (HGPRT)
- increased metabolism of guanine and hypoxanthine to uric acid
- Increased breakdown of tissue nucleic acids
- Myeloproliferative and lymphoproliferative disorders
- Polycythemia vera
- Psoriasis

• Ernst ME, et al. Pharmacotherapy: A Pathophysiologic Approach. 8th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2011.

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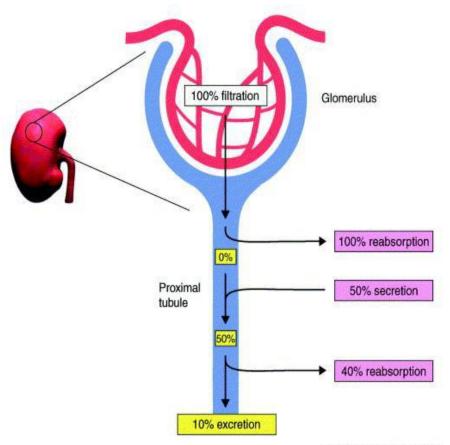
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Uric Acid

- Uric acid: waste product
- Humans do not express the enzyme uricase
- Accumulated uric acid
- 1,200 mg in men
- 600 mg in women
- Uric acid is produced from purines (3 sources)
- Dietary purine
- Conversion of tissue nucleic acid to purine nucleotides
- De novo synthesis of purine bases
- Normal production: 600 to 800 mg of uric acid each day
- Terkeltaub RA. Gout. N Engl J Med 2003;349:1647–1655. Choi HK, et al. Pathogenesis of gout. Ann Intern Med 2005;143:499–516.

Underexcretion of Uric Acid

- Excretion of Uric Acid
- 2/3rds : urine
- 1/3rd: GI tract after enzymatic degradation by colonic bacteria
- Primary Idiopathic Hyperuricemia (80%-90 %)
- Relative decrease in the renal excretion of uric acid for an unknown reason



Current Opinion in Pharmacology

Θέματα προς συζήτηση

- Σχέση μεταξύ υπερουριχαιμίας, ουρικής αρθρίτιδας και καρδιοαγγειακού κινδύνου
- Θεραπευτική αντιμετώπιση
- νεώτερα φάρμακα
- Θεραπευτικά πρωτόκολλα

Discussion Points

- Myths and Realities regarding gout
- Interaction between gout, hyperuricemia and CVD
- Recognizing the necessity for a multidisciplinary approach to treatment of gout
- Review of newer urate lowering therapies

Gout Facts

- Asymptomatic hyperuricemia is common but under recognized
- Risk of developing gout associated with the extent and chronicity of hyperuricemia. Increases significantly with uric acid levels >9.0 mg dL
- Only a minority actually develop gout
- Tophi not completely understood
- undervascularized tissue milieu leads to cool temperatures of joints.
- Low grade inflammation in and around tophi

Gout is a new age disease

- Reality:
- First description Egyptians in 2640 BC
- Podagra recognized by Hippocrates in the fifth century BC - referred to it as 'the unwalkable disease'.
- Gout is derived from the Latin word gutta (or 'drop')

Gout is a disease of indulgence



- Reality:
- Estimated 6 million Americans have gout
- Last 20 years gout has doubled in in USA
- Large increase in gout prevalence in those individuals over age 65
- Striking increase in those aged over 75
- Unlikely this is secondary to indulgence
- Wallace, K. L. et al J. Rheumatology 31, 2004

Why the increase in the elderly?

- Declining mortality from cardiovascular disease
- Frequent comorbidities that promote hyperuricemia such as CKD, CHF, and hypertension
- Prescriptions of diuretics-loop and thiazides

J.D. et al. Arthritis Rheum. 50 2004

Secondary Causes of Hyperuricemia

- Leukemia/lymphomas
- Psoriasis
- Tissue necrosis
- Seizures
- Renal insufficiency
- Dehydration
- Lead nephropathy
- Hypothyroidism
- Hyperparathyroidism
- Diuretics
- Ethambutol
- Pyrazinamide
- Aspirin
- Cyclosporine
- Niacin

Gout is common among men but rare among women

- Reality: Only true premenopausal
- Increases substantially after menopause and rises with age
- In kidney (URAT1)- Responsible for reabsorption of uric acid from proximal tubule
- Estrogen direct effect on expression

Enomoto et al. Nature. 2002;417

Gout and women

- NHANES- prevalence of gout among women aged 60-69 was 3.5 %
- This increases to 5.6% for those 80 yrs and older

Women and Gout

- Even if true age—specific prevalence of gout was 50% lower, almost exceeds that of rheumatoid arthritis among women (3.3% in NHANES III).
- Take home: premenopausal unlikely to be gout.
 Consider even without acute flares in postmenopausal with chronic joint pain.

- Rasch EK, et al. Arthritis Rheum. 48 2003
- Kramer HM. et al. Br J Nutr. 82 1999

The Uric acid is normal- It cannot be gout

- Reality:
- 339 patients (two studies) comparing treatment of etoricoxib or indomethacin for acute gout
- 14% uric acid less than 6.0 mg/dl at baseline
- 32% < than 8.0 mg/dL during acute attack

Schiessinger et al. J Rheum 2009 Jun;36(6)

It's just Arthritis

- Gout accounted for 2.2 million ambulatory visits annually
- 1.2% (11,064) of 922,000 hospitalizations for a diagnosis of arthritis
- Mean annual cost of employee with gout \$6870 versus \$3705 without gout
- Patients with gout miss 3-5 days/year
- Sacks et al Arthritis Care and Research 2010:62

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Does Gout cause or increase the risk of cardiovascular disease?

- Choi and Curhan (2007): Those with gout have a higher risk of death from all causes
- At least three other studies have confirmed similar findings between gout and shortened longevity primarily through risk of coronary artery disease

- Choi and Curhan. Circulation. 2007b;116
- Krishnan et al Arch Intern me 2008;168

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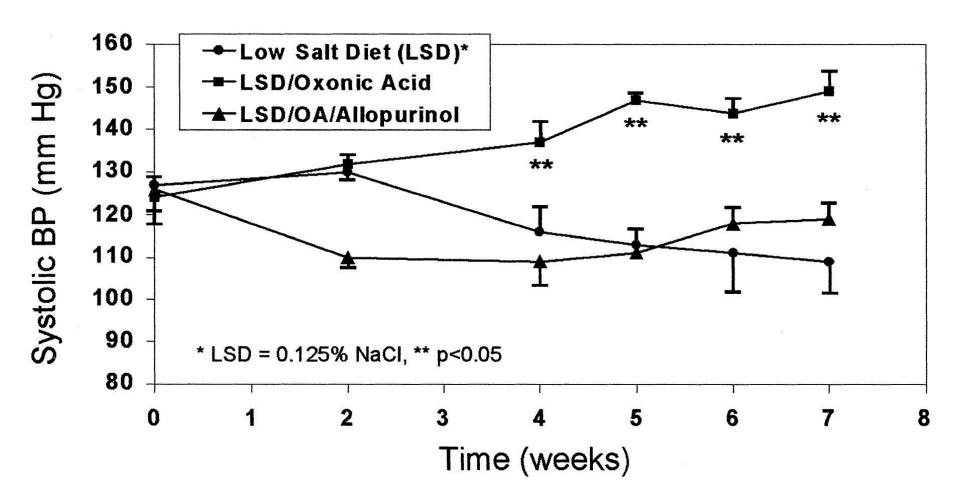
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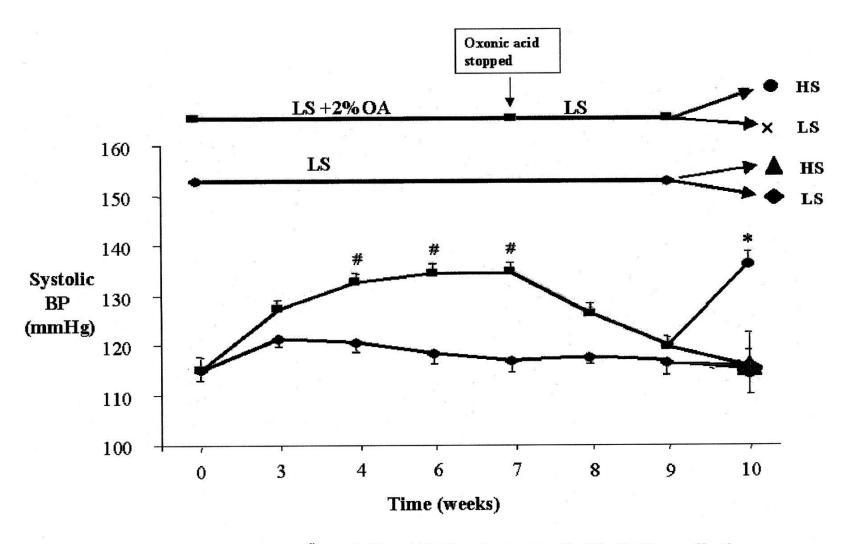
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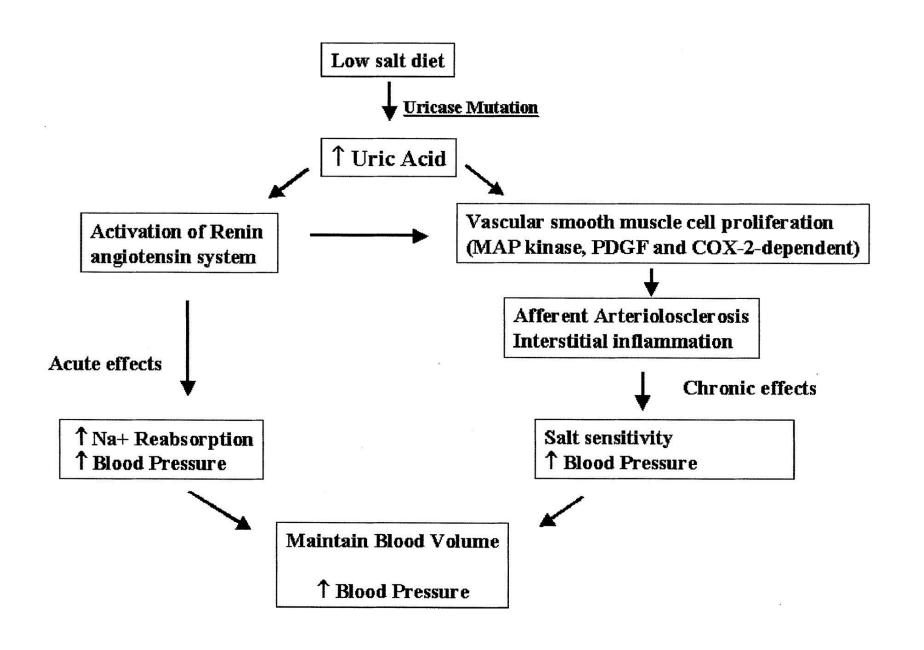
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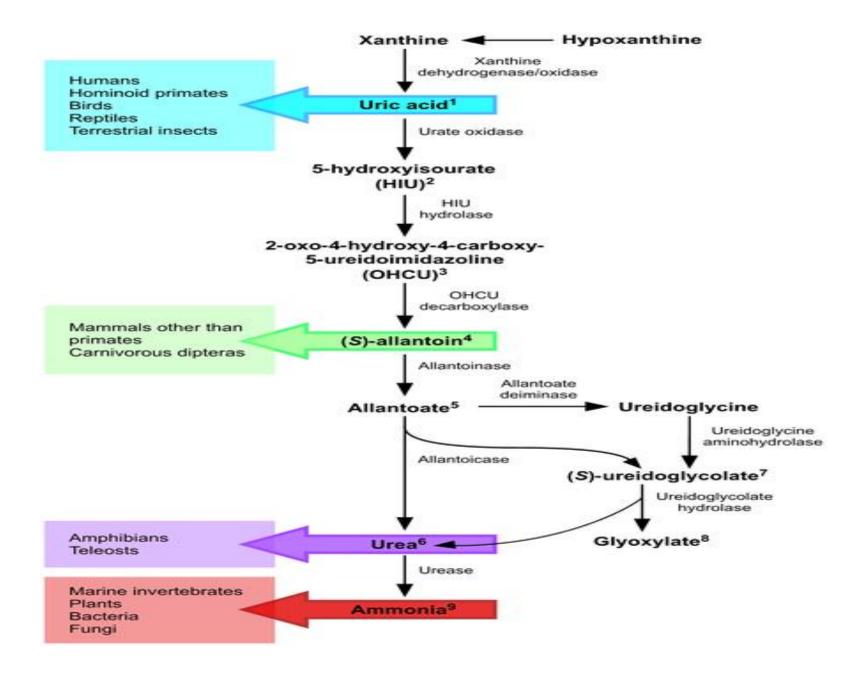
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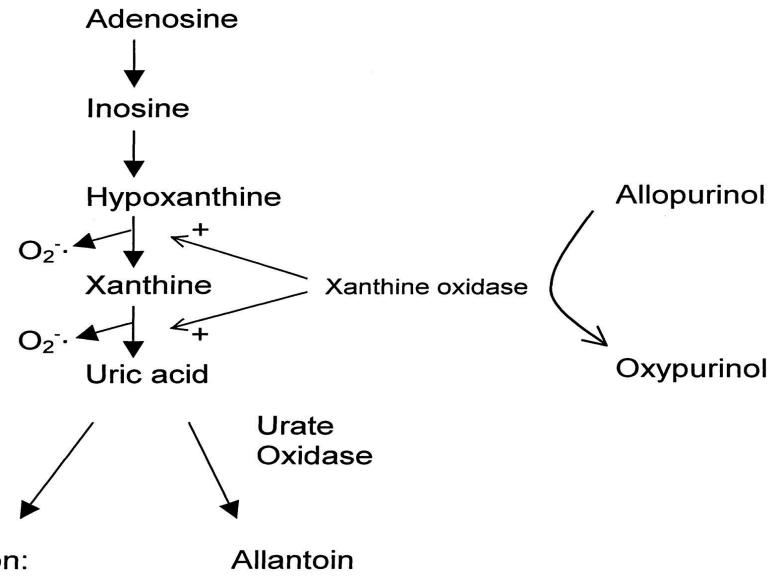


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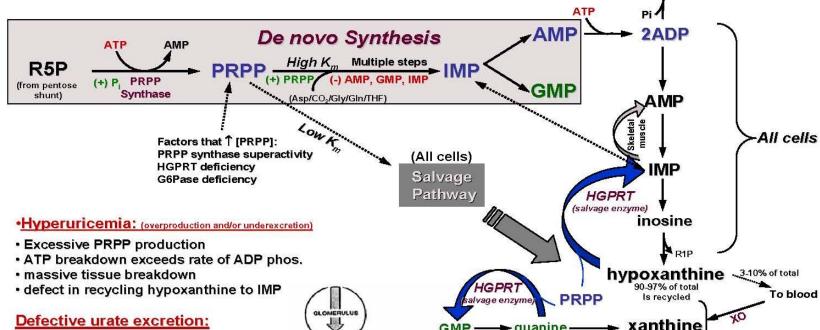
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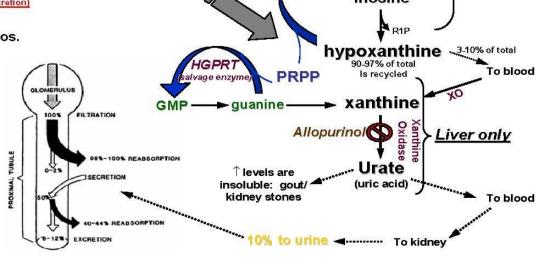
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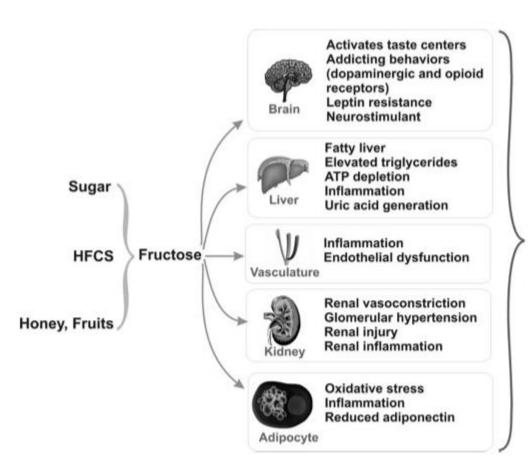
General Info:

- · Two pathways for purine synthesis: de novo and salvage
- Two ways to ↑ [urate]: ↑ catabolism of purines or ↓ removal of urate



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- · lactic acidosis/ketoacidosis





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Elevated blood pressure
Abdominal obesity
Dyslipidemia
Fatty Liver
Inflammation
Oxidative stress
Endothelial dysfunction
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Type II Diabetes

