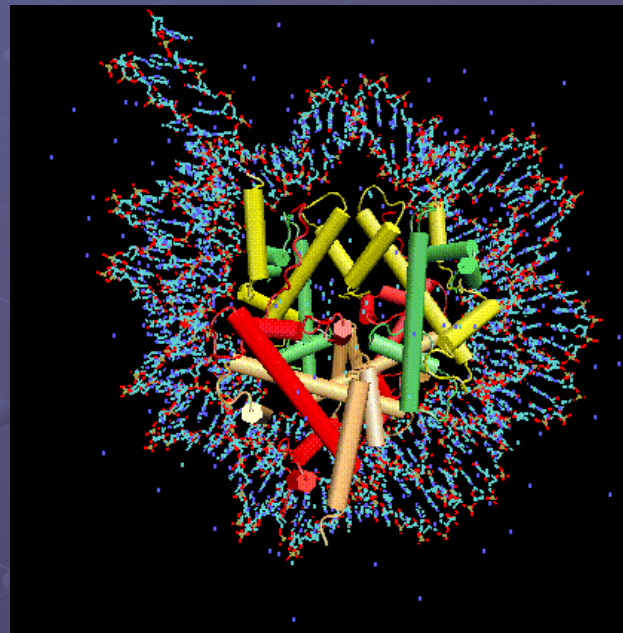
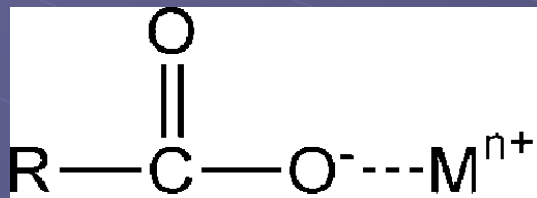
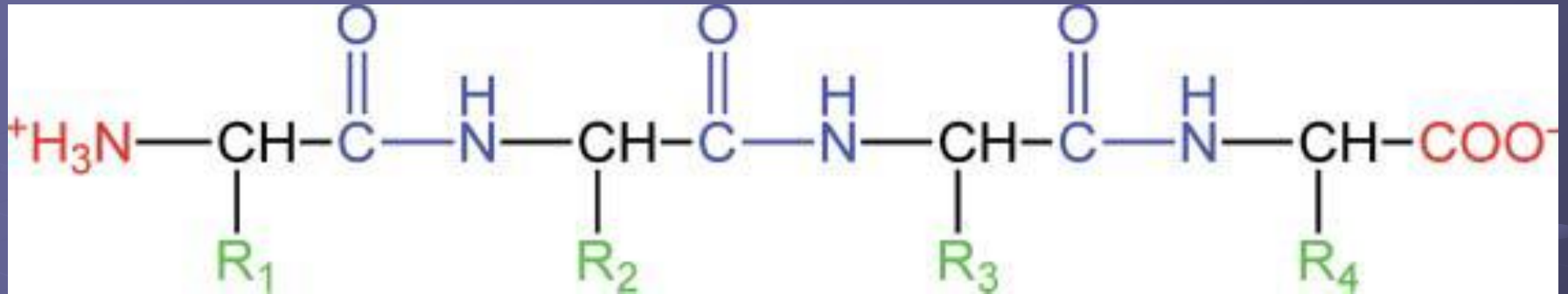


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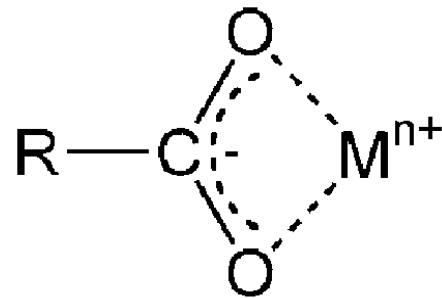


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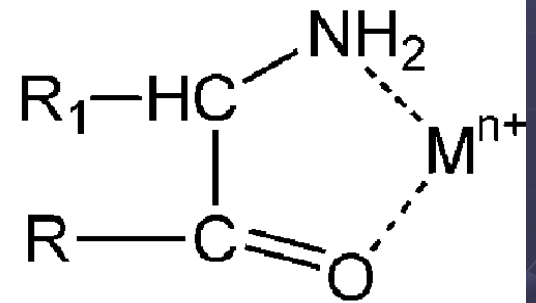
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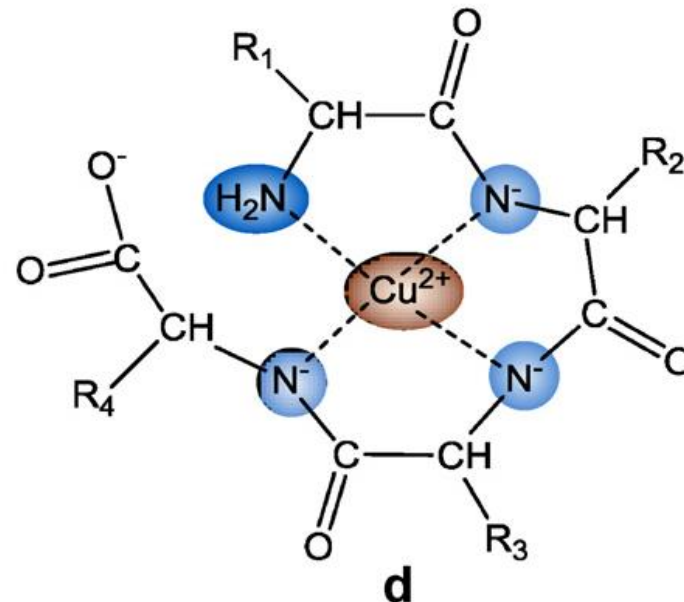
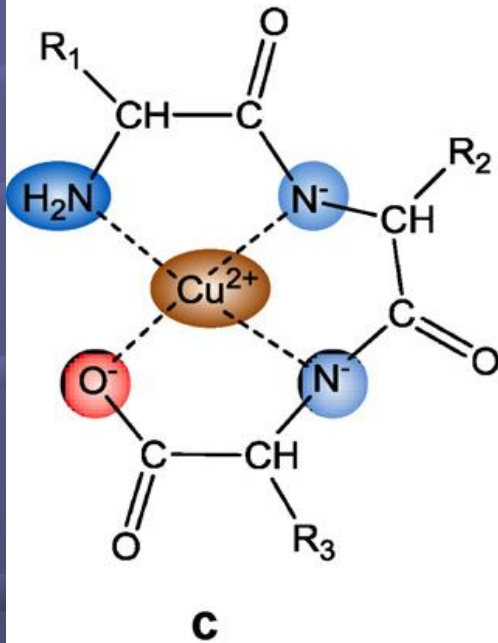
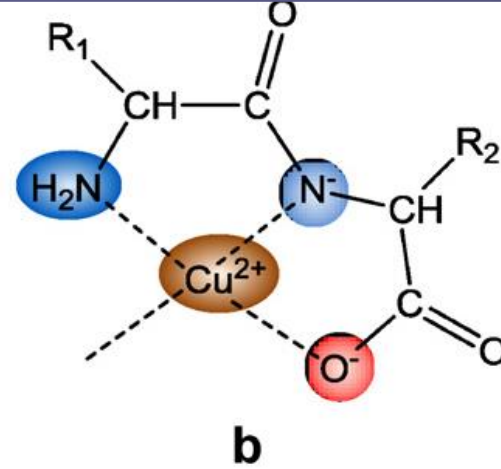
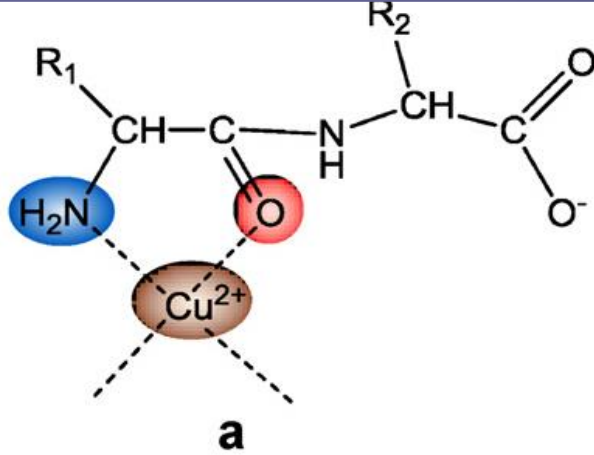


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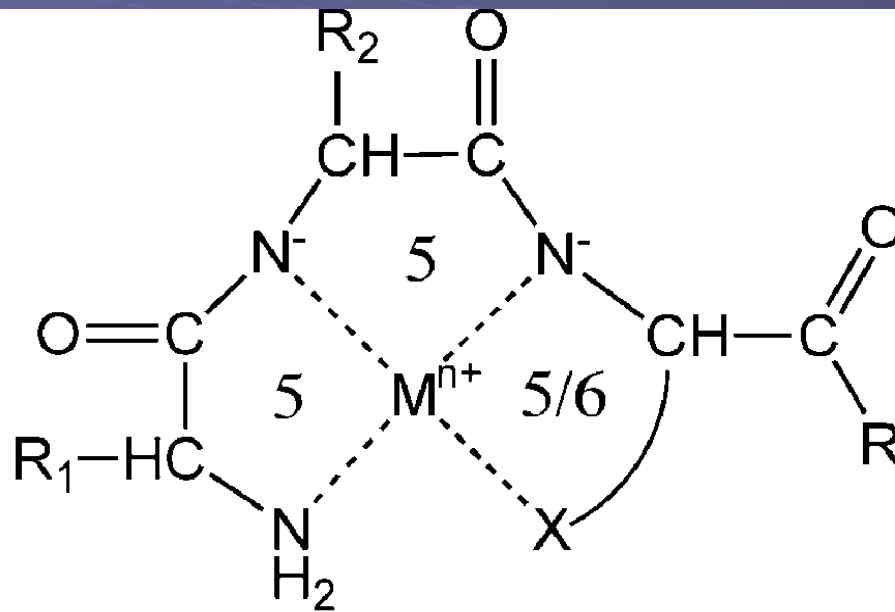


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Σύντομη επανάληψη Α' διάλεξης....



- a) $X = N_{Im}$ (His); $M^{n+} = Cu(II), Ni(II), Pd(II), Au(III), Pt(II)$
b) $X = \beta-COO^-$ (Asp); $M^{n+} = Cu(II), (Ni(II), Pd(II))$
c) $X = S^-$ (Cys); $M^{n+} = Ni(II), Pd(II)$
d) $X = S-CH_3$ (Met); $M^{n+} = Pd(II), Pt(II)$

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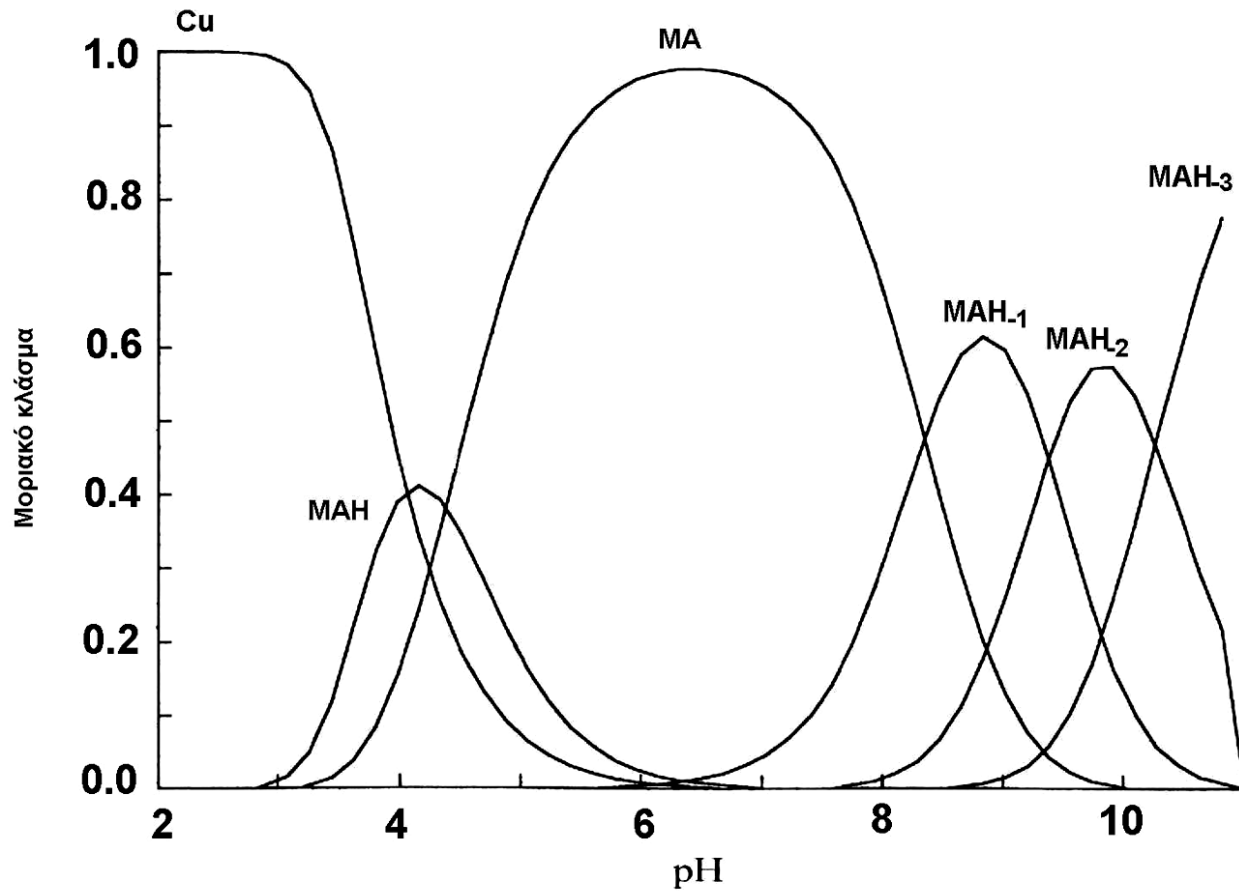


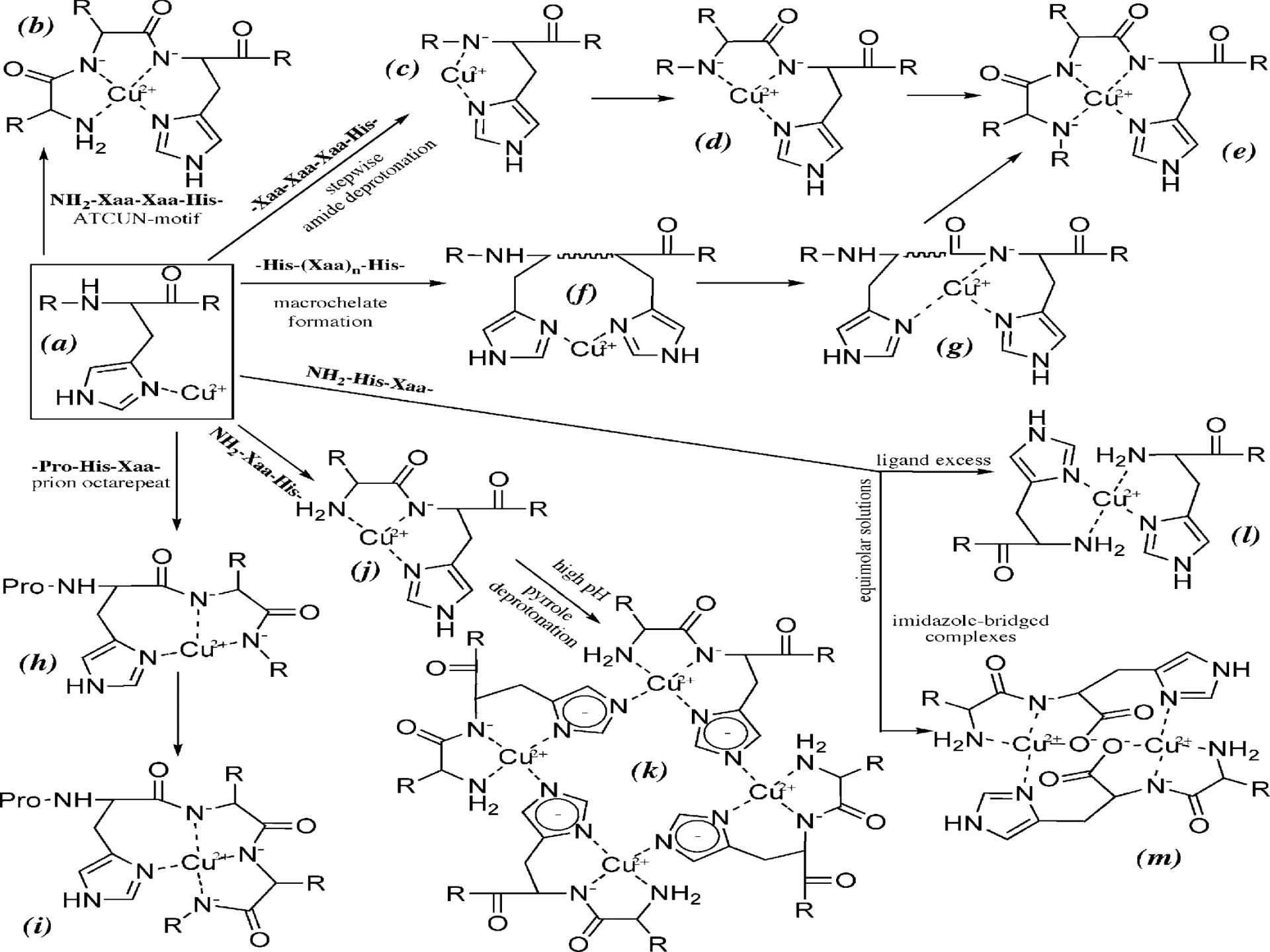
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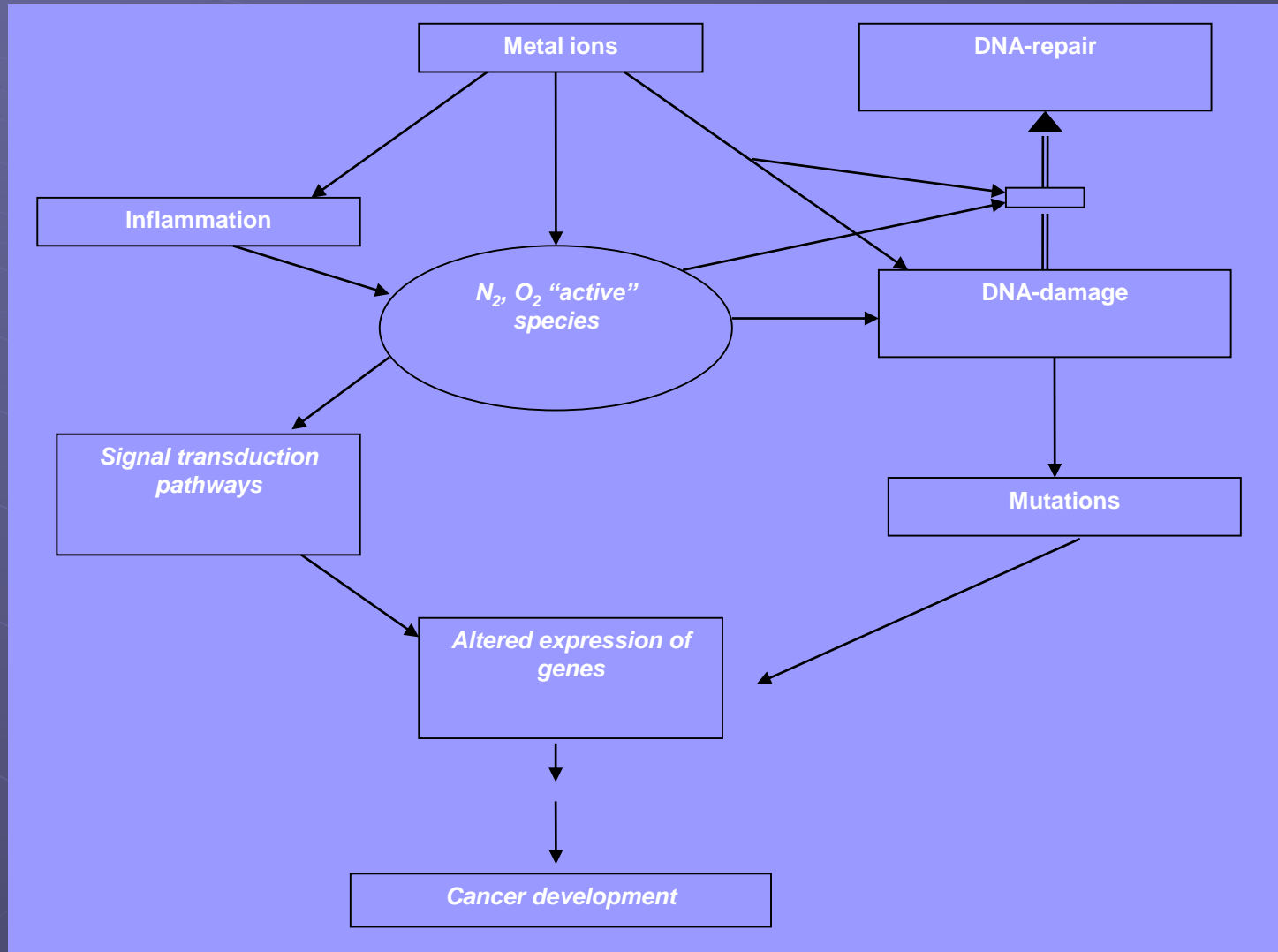


Σύντομη επανάληψη Α' διάλεξης....





METAL IONS INDUCED TOXICITY- CARCINOGENESIS



DNA DAMAGE CAUSED BY METAL IONS

NEOPLASTIC TRANSFORMATION OF CELLS RESULTS FROM AN ALTERATION IN THE GENETIC CODE



THUS ANY MOLECULE THAT CAN BIND WITH CONSTITUENTS OF THE CELL NUCLEI (DNA, PROTEINS) MAY AFFECT THE GENETIC CODE CAUSING CANCER



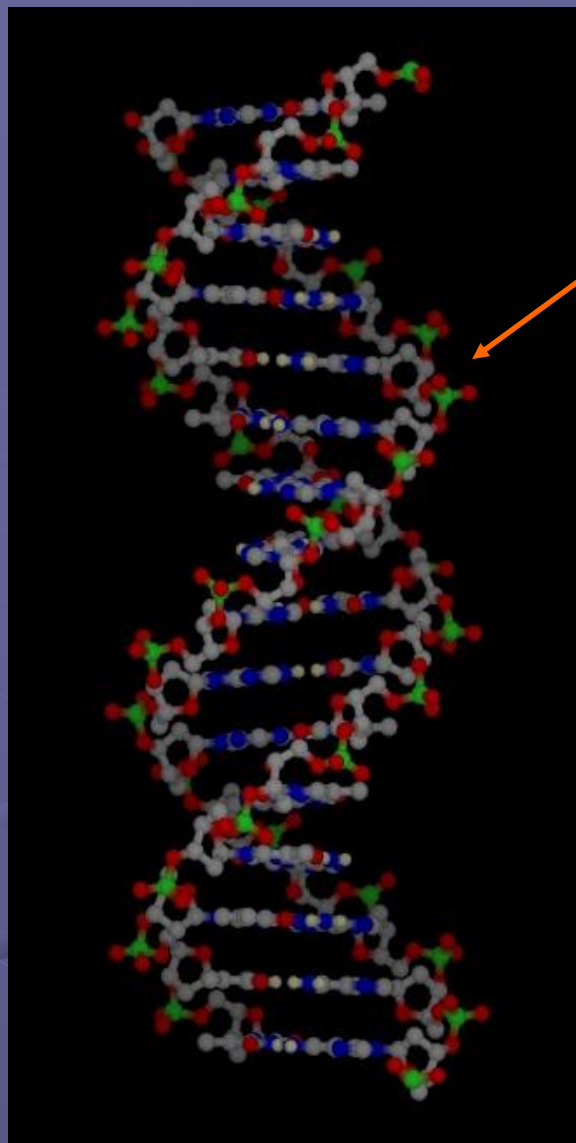
METAL IONS

STRAND
SCISSION

DEPURINATION

CROSS-LINKING

DNA BASE
MODIFICATIONS



Cu(II)

Ni(II)

THE BINDING OF METAL IONS MAY GENERATE GENOTOXICITY

THE INITIALLY METAL-BINDING TO DNA MAY NOT BE EXCLUSIVELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENTIRE WIDTH OF DAMAGE OBSERVED FOR DNA

SEVERAL METAL IONS ARE ABLE TO ACTIVATE O₂ OR H₂O₂ PRODUCING ACTIVE OXYGEN SPECIES WHICH MAY DAMAGE THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE CELL NUCLEI

THE MOST IMPORTANT MECHANISM OF OXYGEN ACTIVATION BY TRANSITION METALS INVOLVE

FENTON/HABER-WEISS REACTIONS



K. S. Kasprzak. *Oxidative DNA damage in metal-induced carcinogenesis*. In: *Toxicology of metals*. L. W. Chang., Ed. vol 18 (1996)

Cu(II), Ni(II) toxicity

induces double strand breaks on DNA

● Cu(II)

is highly redox active (Cu(II)/Cu(I))

produces relatively low, but measurable levels of reactive oxygen species (ROS) in cells

DNA single-strand scission

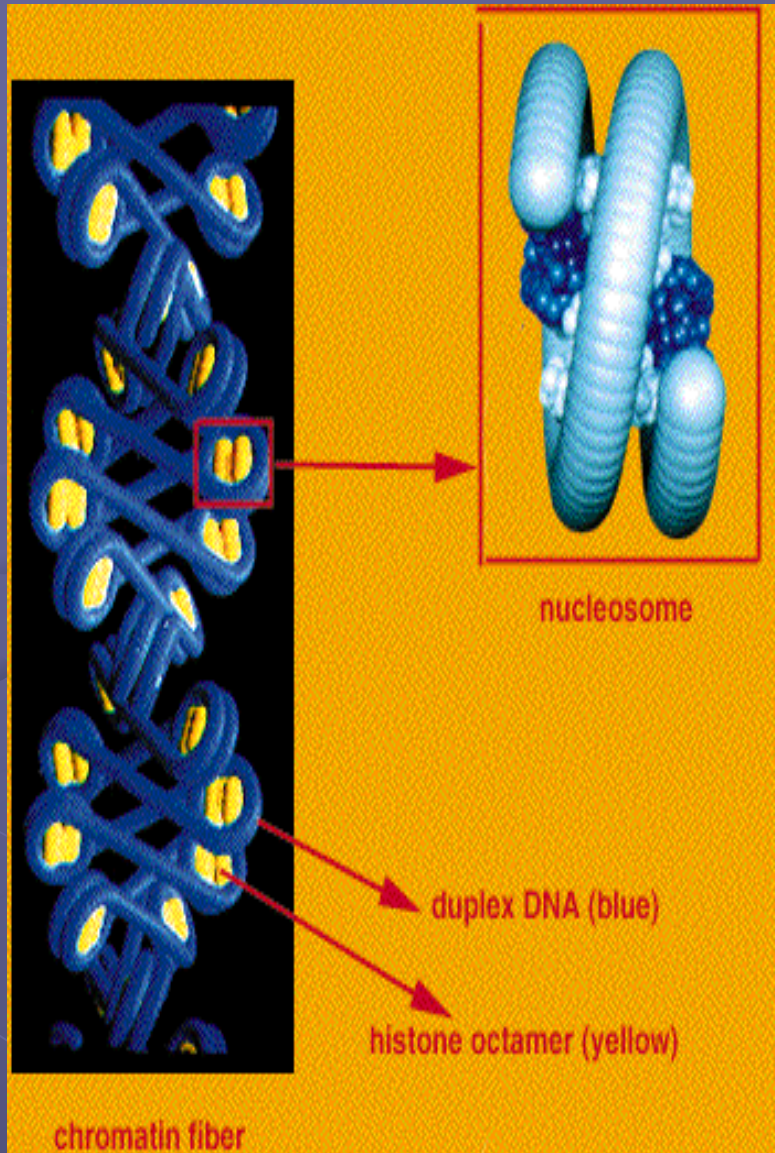
binds weakly to DNA and requires the presence of proper chelation to become reactive

● Ni(II)

the redox couple Ni(III)/Ni(II) is only possible when the metal ion is coordinated with some natural ligands, mostly peptides and proteins.

In the presence of O₂ or H₂O₂ generate not only hydroxyl, but also other oxygen-, carbon-, and perhaps, sulfur-centered radicals originated from the ligand, all able to attack the ligand and other molecules

HISTONES

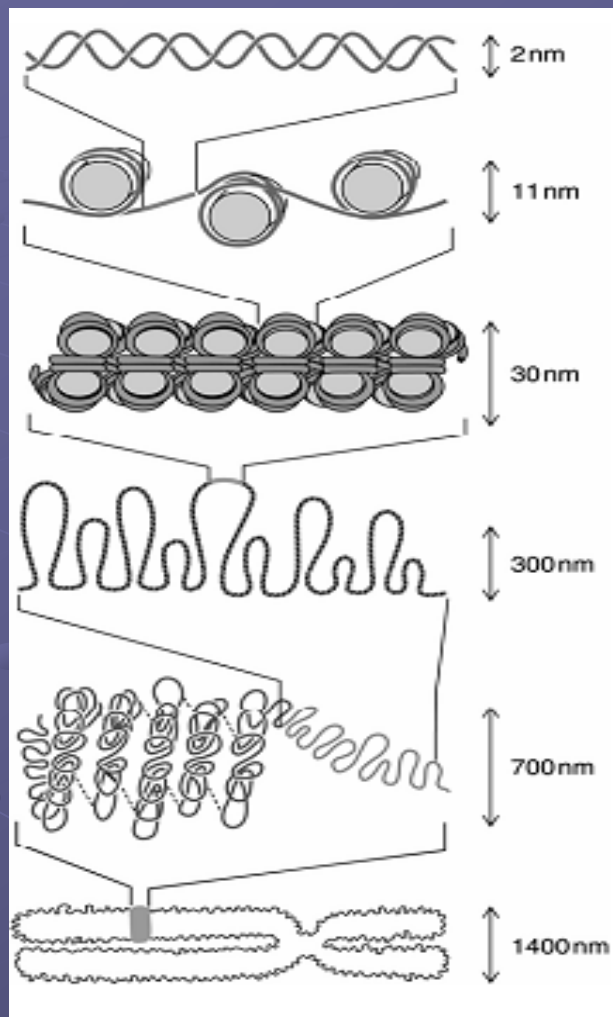


THESE ARE HIGHLY BASIC PROTEINS THAT PROVIDE SCAFFOLD FOR DNA DOUBLE HELIX IN THE CELL NUCLEUS

DNA IS WRAPPED AROUND THEM FORMING THE **NUCLEOSOMES**

THE REPEATED **NUCLEOSOMES** ARE ORGANIZED IN HIGHER ORDER STRUCTURES FORMING THE **CHROMATIN**

Η Έννοια της Χρωματίνης



Το DNA περιτυλίγεται γύρω από τα οκταμερή ιστονών, σχηματίζοντας τις “χάντρες”, γνωστές ως νουκλεοσώματα

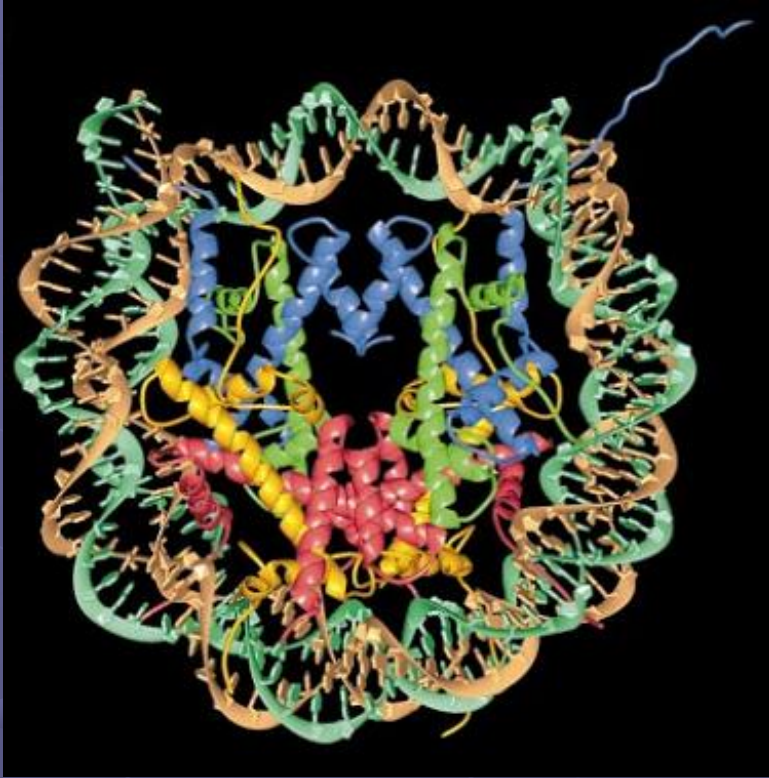
Τα νουκλεοσώματα πακετάρονται σχηματίζοντας τα ινίδια χρωματίνης

Τα ινίδια χρωματίνης αναδιπλώνονται για να σχηματίσουν θηλιές

Οι θηλιές αναδιπλώνονται για να σχηματίσουν το χρωμόσωμα

Μεταφασικό χρωμόσωμα

Νουκλεόσωμα



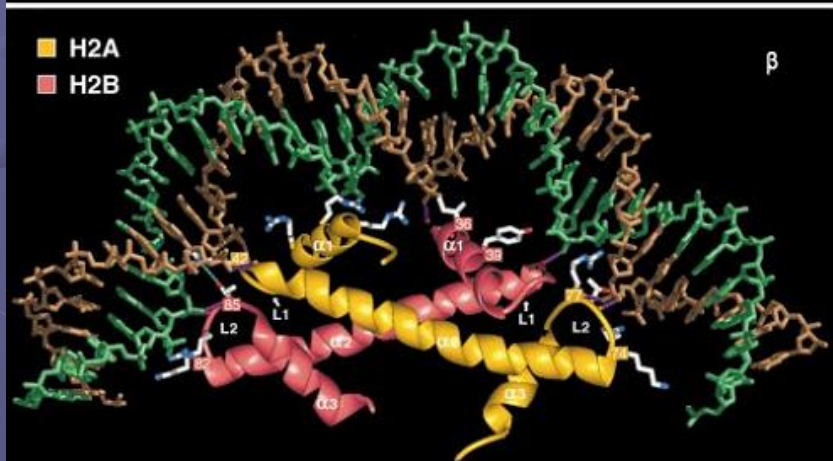
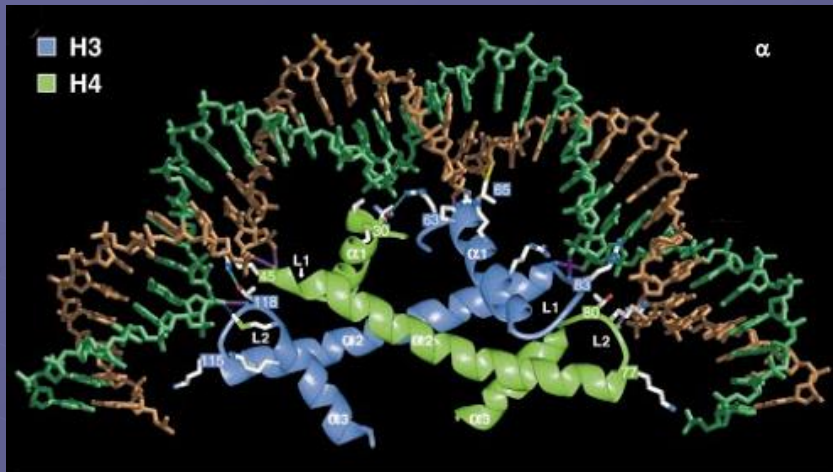
- 146 ζεύγη βάσεων DNA περιέχονται γύρω από τον πρωτεϊνικό πυρήνα
- Ο πρωτεϊνικός πυρήνας του νουκλεοσώματος είναι το ιστονικό οκταμερές και αποτελείται από 2 ζεύγη κάθε μιας από τις πυρηνικές ιστονές
- Υπάρχουν 5 διαφορετικοί τύποι ιστονών : H1, H3, H4, H2A, H2B
- Η ιστονή H1 αναφέρεται ως συνδετική ιστονή, επειδή σχετίζεται με εκείνο το τμήμα του DNA που ενώνει τα νουκλεοσώματα
- Οι ιστονές H3, H4, H2A και H2B αναφέρονται ως πυρηνικές ιστονές

Δομικές Περιοχές Πυρηνικών Ιστονών

Οι πυρηνικές ιστόνες περιέχουν 3 διαφορετικούς τύπους δομικών περιοχών, ανάλογα με τα μοτίβα δευτεροταγούς δομής που υιοθετούν

- Μία κεντρική περιοχή περίπου 70 αμινοξέων, αποτελούμενη από 3 α-έλικες που συνδέονται με βραχείες θηλιές, γνωστή ως **ιστονική πτύχωση (histone-fold domain)**.
- Τis προεκτάσεις της ιστονικής πτύχωσης (**histone-fold extensions**). Αυτές είναι δομικές περιοχές, εξωτερικά της ιστονικής πτύχωσης και είναι υπεύθυνες για τις πρωτεϊνικές αλληλεπιδράσεις εντός του οκταμερούς, ενώ συνεισφέρουν και στη δέσμευση του DNA
- Τis «ουρές» (**histone tails**). Τα N-τελικά άκρα των πυρηνικών ιστονών είναι τυχαία περιελισσόμενες δομές (**random coil**), που χαρακτηρίζονται από μεγάλη ευκαμψία.

Ετεροδιμερή Ζεύγη Πυρηνικών Ιστονών



- Οι ιστονικές πτυχώσεις συνδυάζονται για να σχηματίσουν ετεροδιμερικά ζεύγη του τύπου : **H2A/H2B** και **H3/H4**
- Σε κάθε ζεύγος οι περιοχές α1-L1-α2-L2-α3 αλληλεπιδρούν με έναν αντιπαράλληλο προσανατολισμό, κυρίως μέσω υδροφοβικών επαφών των α1, α2 και α3 ελικών
- Η εκλεκτικότητα του διμερισμού είναι πολύ μεγάλη και συνδέεται με την ύπαρξη σημαντικών διαφορών στην διεπιφάνεια επαφής των πραγματικά σχηματιζόμενων ετεροδιμερών και άλλων εναλλακτικών μη υφιστάμενων ζευγών.

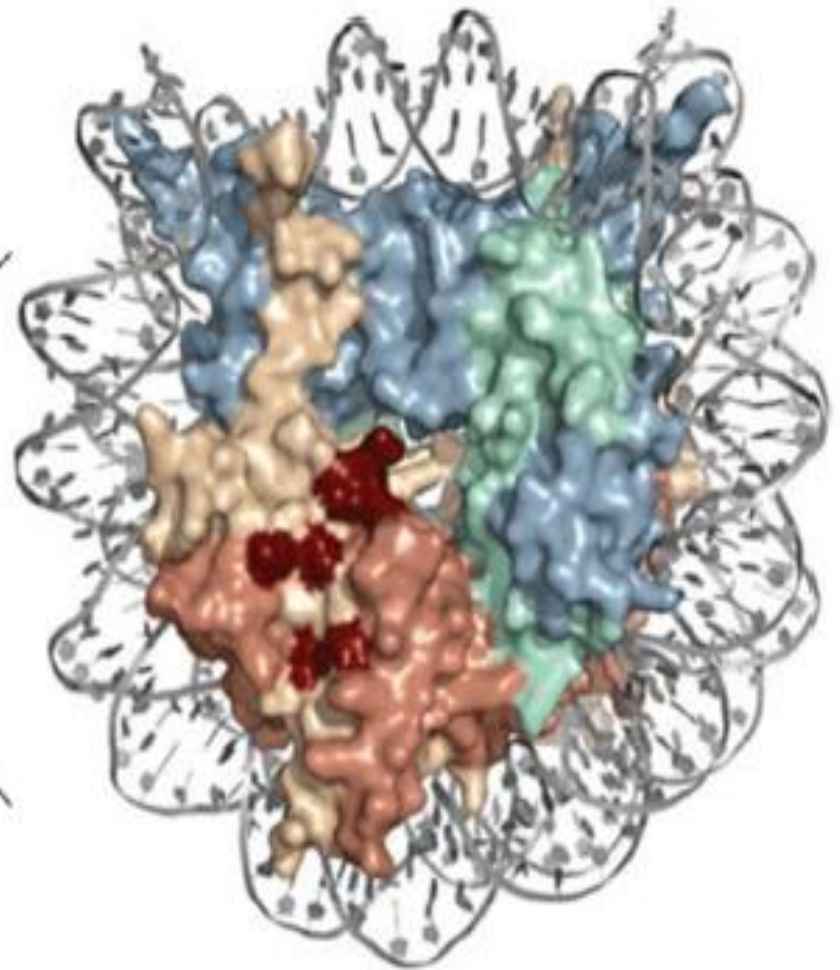
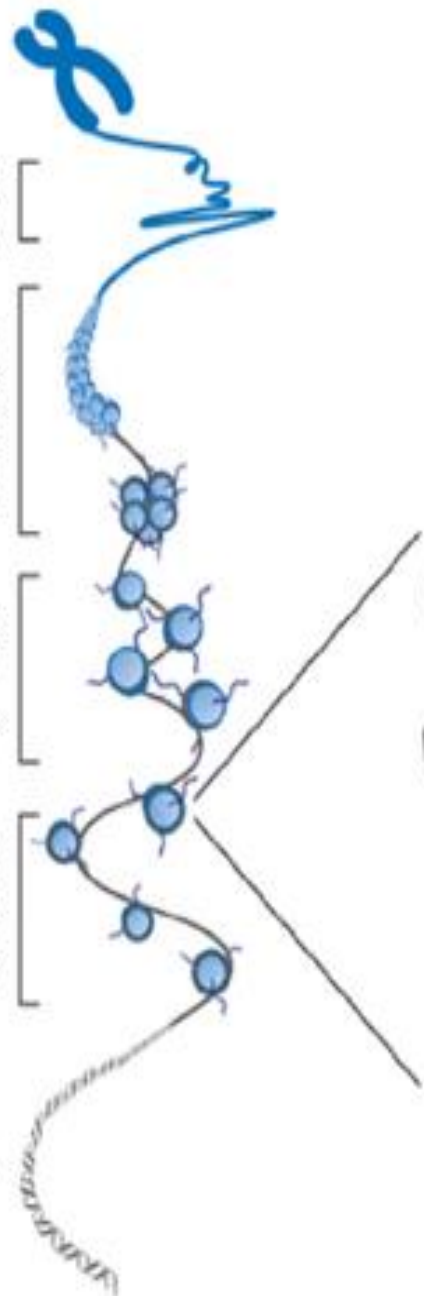
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(inter-fiber contacts)

Maximum folded
2° structures
(e.g., 30-nm
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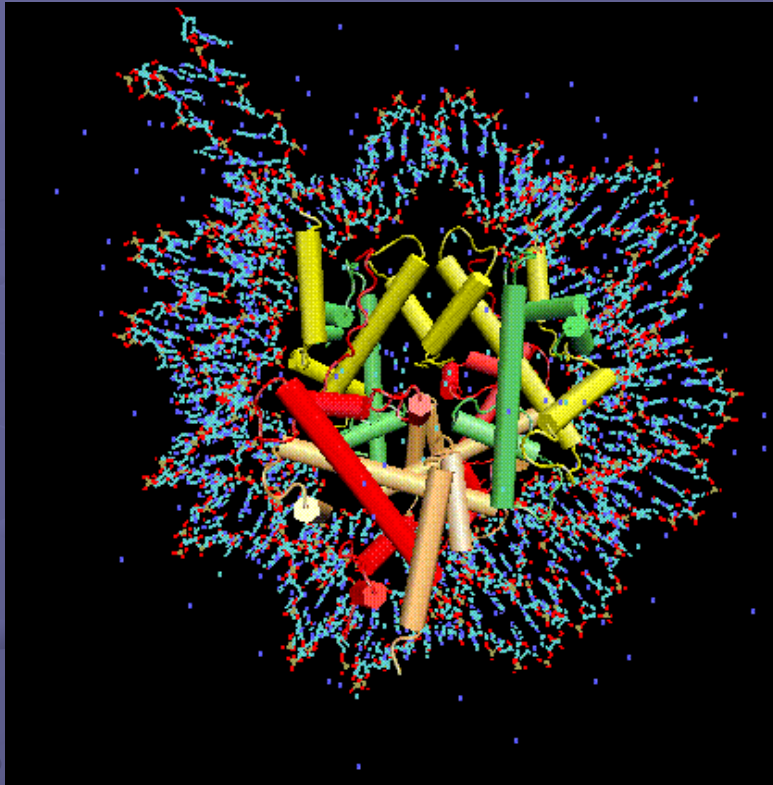
Moderately
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Extended
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DNA



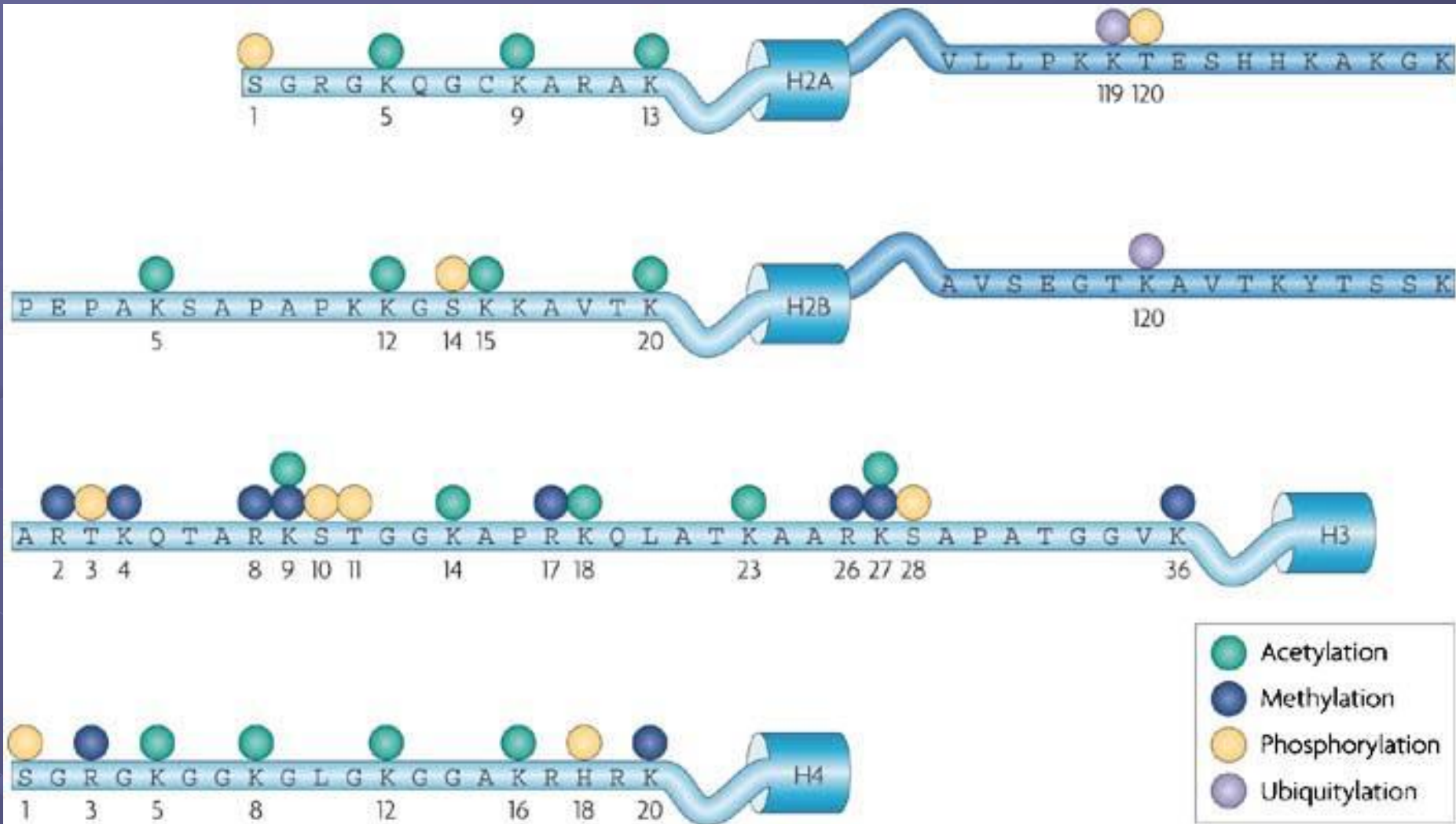
MAJOR TYPES OF HISTONES

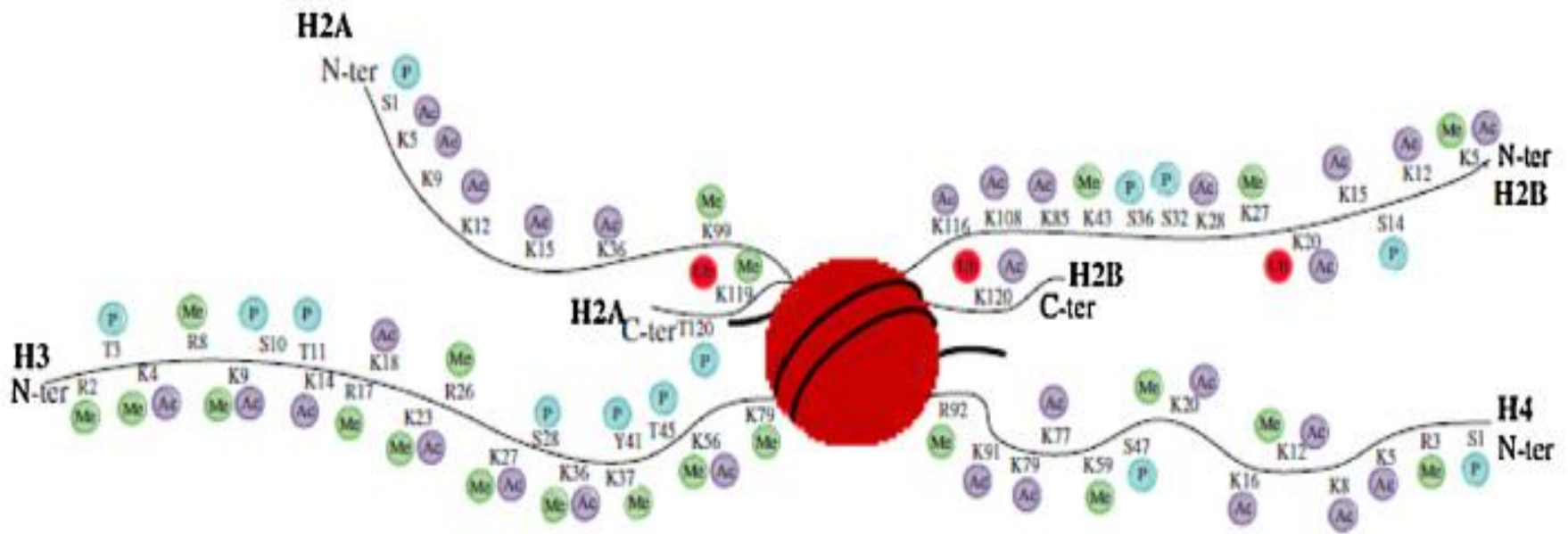


Histones	Amino acids	Mass	Location inside the nucleosome
H1	215	21.000	Linker DNA
H2A	129	14.500	Nuclei
H2B	125	13.700	Nuclei
H3	135	15.300	Nuclei
H4	102	11.300	Nuclei

THE C- AND N- TERMINAL TAILS OF HISTONES ARE THE MAJOR BUT NOT THE ONLY INTERACTION SITES WITH DNA

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Chromatin Modification	Residues modified	Function regulated
Acetylation	Lysine	Transcription, DNA repair, replication and condensation
Methylation (Lysine)	Lysine me1, me2, me3	Transcription, DNA repair
Methylation (Arginine)	Arginine-me1, Arginine-me2a Arginine-me2s	Transcription
Phosphorylation	Serine, Threonine, Tyrosine	Transcription, DNA repair and condensation
Ubiquitination	Lysine	Transcription, DNA repair
Sumoylation	Lysine	Transcription
ADP ribosylation	Glutamic	Transcription
Deimination	Arginine	Transcription
Proline isomerization	P-cis, P-trans	Transcription



Πεπτιδικά μοντέλα ιστονών

- H4:** Ac-A₁₅K₁₆R₁₇H₁₈R₁₉K₂₀-Am
Ac-S₁GRGKGGKGLGKGGAKRHRKVL₂₂-Am
Ac-AK(Ac)RHRK(Ac)V-Am
Ac-GK(Ac)GGAK(Ac)RHRK(Ac)V-Am
Ac-T₇₁YTEHA₇₆-Am
- H2A:** Ac-T₁₂₀ESHHK₁₂₅-Am (and variants)
H₂N-SHHK-Am and the variant H₂N-SAHK-Am
- H2B:** Ac-E₁₀₂LAKHA₁₀₇-Am
Ac-L₈₀AHYNK₈₅-Am
Ac-P₁EPAKSAPAPKKGSKKAVTKAQKKDGGKKRKR₃₁-Am
Ac-S₃₂RKESYSVYVYKVLKQVHPDTGISSKAMGIM₆₂-Am
Ac-N₆₃SFVNDIFERIAGEASRLAHYNKRSTITSRE₉₃-Am
Ac-I₉₄QTAVRLLLPGELAKHAVSEGTKAVTKYTSSK₁₂₅-Am

PART A: Studies in small peptide histone models

C-terminal of histone H2A 121-124

Ac-TESHHK-am and variants

Histones H2B and H4 (fold domains, 71-76 and 80-85)

Ac-TYTEHAK-am

Ac-LAHYNK-am

Ιστούνη H1

SETAPAAPAAPAEKTPVKKKARKSAGAAKRKASGPPVSELITKAVAASK
ERSGVSLAALKKALAAA**GYDVEK**NNSRIKLGKSLVSKGTVLQTKGTGASS
FKLNKKAASGEAKPKAKKAGAAKAKKPAGAAKPKKATGAATPKKSAKT
PKKAKKPAAAAGAKKAKSPKKAKAAKPKKAPKSPAKAKAVKPKAAKPK
TAKPKAAKPKKAAAKK

Ιστούνη H2A (τύπος H2A.1)

¹SGRGKQGGKAPAKAKTRSSRAGLQFPVGRV**H**RLLRKGNYSERVGAGAPV
⁵⁰YLAADVLEYLTAEILELAGNAARDNKKTRIIPR**H**LQLAIRNDEELNKLLGRVTIA
¹⁰⁴QGGVLPNIQAVLLPK**TESHHK**AKGK

Ιστούνη H2B (τύπος H2B.1(a))

¹PEPAKSAPAPKKGSKKAVTKAQKKDGGKRRSRKESYSVYVYKVLKQV**HP**
⁵¹DTGISSKAMGIMNSFVNDIFERIAGEASR**LAHYNKR**STITSREIQTAVRLLLP
¹⁰⁴**GELAKHAV**SEGTKAVTKYTSSK

Ιστούνη H3 (κύριος τύπος)

¹ARTKQTARKSTGGKAPRKOLATKAARKSAPATGGVKK**PH**RYRPGTVALRE
⁵¹IRRYQKSTELLIRKLPFQRLVREIAQDFKTDLRFQSSAVMALQ**EACEAY**LVG
¹⁰³LFEDTNLCAIHAKRVTIMPKDIQLARRIGERA

Ιστούνη H4

¹SGRGKGGKGLGKGGAKRHRKVLDRDNIQGITKPAIRRLARRGGVKRISGLYE
⁵³ETRGVLKVFLENVIRDAV**TYTEHA**KRKTVTAMDVVYALKRQGRTLYGFY
¹⁰²Υ

STUDIED SEQUENCE

THE SEQUENCE
-GluSerHisHis- (-ESHH- **-TESHHK-** $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(II)}}$ **Ni(II)-SHHK-**
AMINO ACIDS 121-124),
OF THE C-TERMINAL TAIL
OF HISTONE H2A

W. Bal, et al. *Chem. Res. Toxicol.* 11 (1998) 1014

SYNTHESIZED

-TESHHK-

-TASHHK-

-TEAHHK-

-TESAHK-

-TESHAK-

SHHK-

SAHK-

1. COMPARISON OF THE EFFECT OF Glu, Ser AND His SUBSTITUTION ON THE STABILITY OF THE COMPLEXES FORMED
2. LOCATE THE AMINO ACID WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HYDROLYSIS
3. STUDY OF THE OXIDATIVE ABILITY OF Cu(II) / -TESHHK- COMPLEX AGAINST DNA BASES
4. BETTER CHARACTERIZATION OF THE HYDROLYSIS PRODUCTS AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE HYDROLYSIS MECHANISM

HYDROLYTIC CLEAVAGE OF THE HEXAPEPTIDES

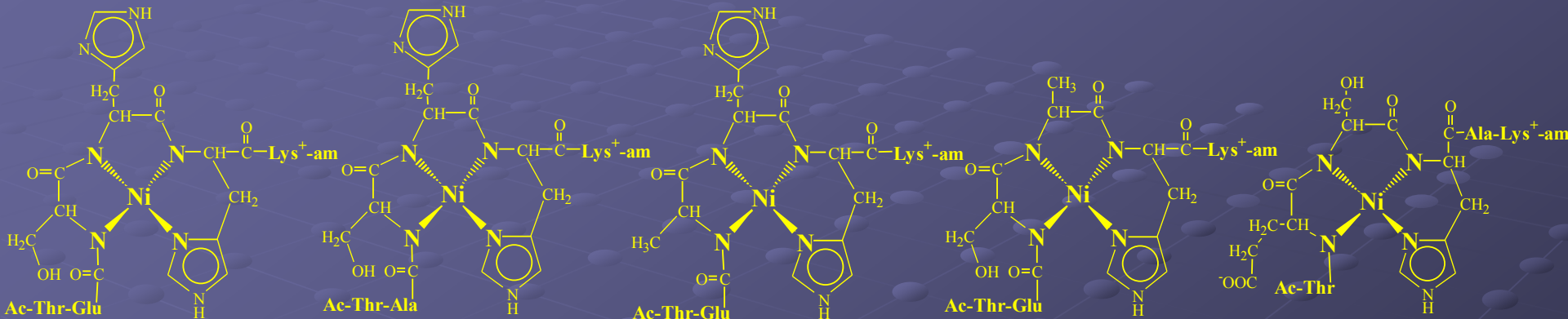
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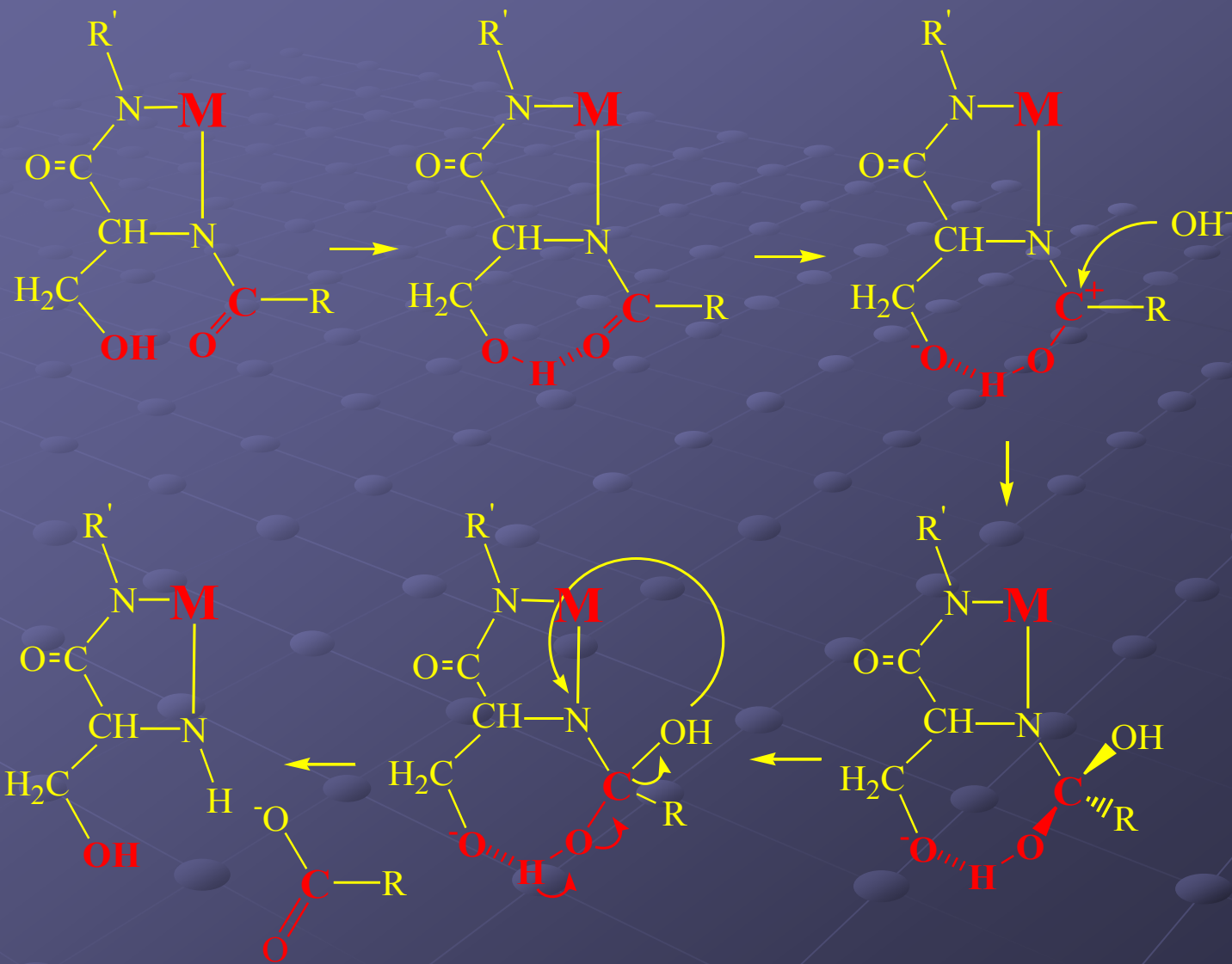
-TEAHHK-

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PROPOSED MECHANISM OF THE HYDROLYSIS OF THE HEXAPEPTIDES IN THE PRESENCE OF Ni(II) OR Cu(II) IONS



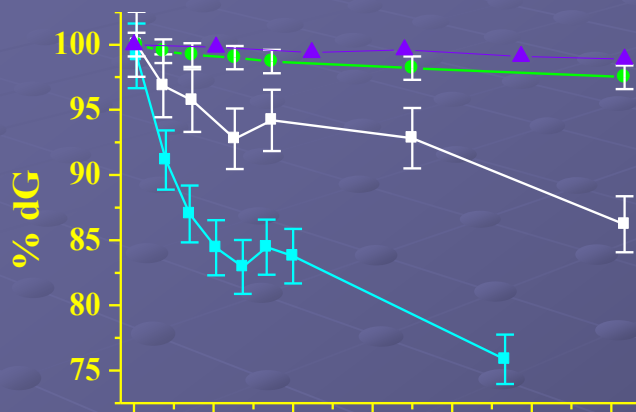
OXIDATION PROPERTIES OF Cu(II) / -TESHHK- COMPLEX

1. dG WAS USED AS A TARGET / REPORTER MOLECULE OF OXIDATIVE DAMAGE

- In this system, unlike with DNA as a target, the yield of the oxidation product, 8-oxodG, is high and its quantification can be accomplished quickly and precisely by HPLC with a standard UV detector
- The shortness of the hexapeptide model -TESHHK- would not allow the reproduction of the protein-DNA interaction occurring in nucleosome

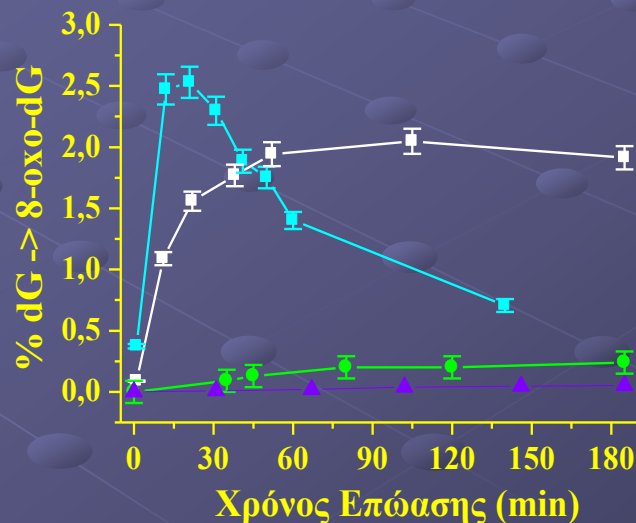
2. H₂O₂ WAS USED AS OXIDATIVE FACTOR

THE COMPLEX CuH_{-1}L WITH -TESHHK- EFFICIENTLY PROMOTED OXIDATION OF dG, WITH A TRANSIENT FORMATION OF SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS OF 8-oxo-dG IN PHYSIOLOGICAL CONDITIONS (pH = 7.4 and T = 37 °C)



1. ONLY THE COMBINATION OF Cu(II) / -TESHHK- AND H_2O_2 RESULTED IN THE SUBSTANTIAL dG OXIDATION

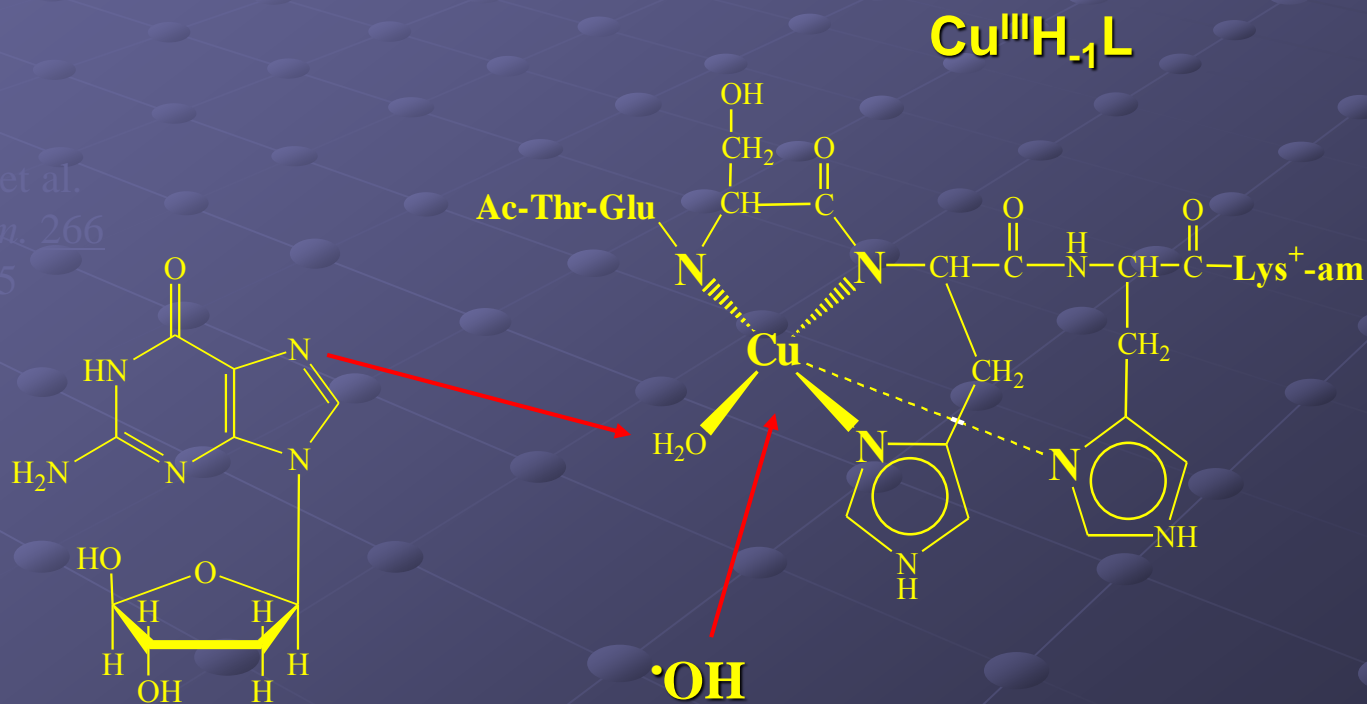
2. NO OXIDATIVE DAMAGE WAS DETECTED IN THE ABSENCE OF H_2O_2



3. NARROW AMOUNTS OF 8-oxo-dG WAS GENERATED IN THE PRESENCE OF Cu(II) ALONE OR -TESHHK- ALONE

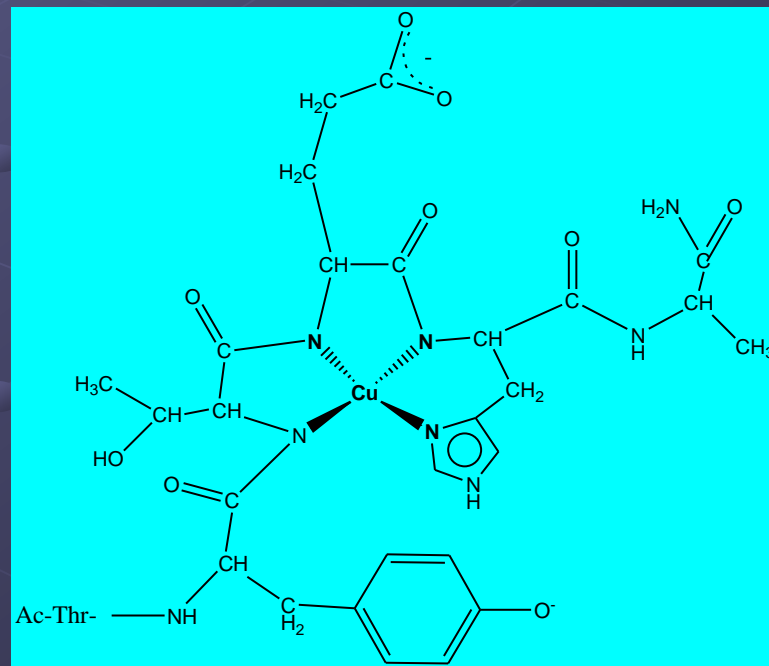
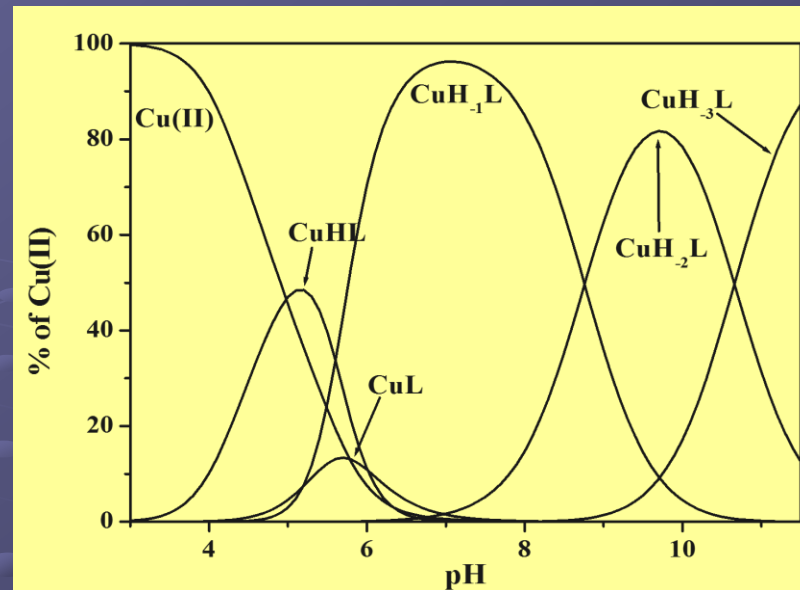
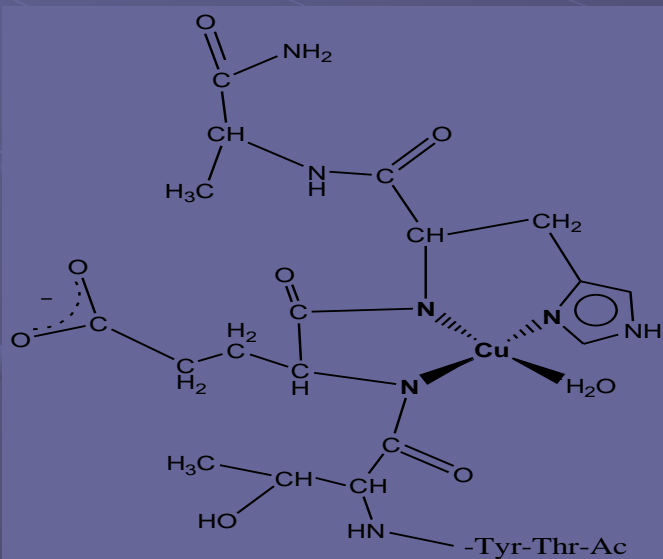
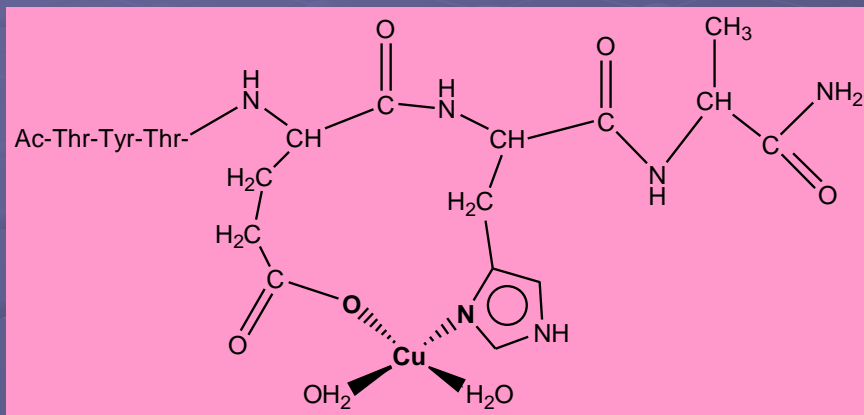
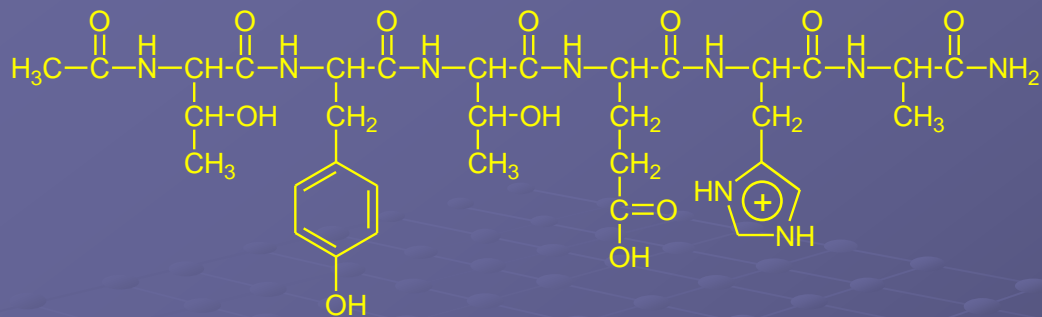
4. NO OXIDATIVE DAMAGE WAS DETECTED IN THE PRESENCE OF Cu(II) / SHHK- AND H_2O_2

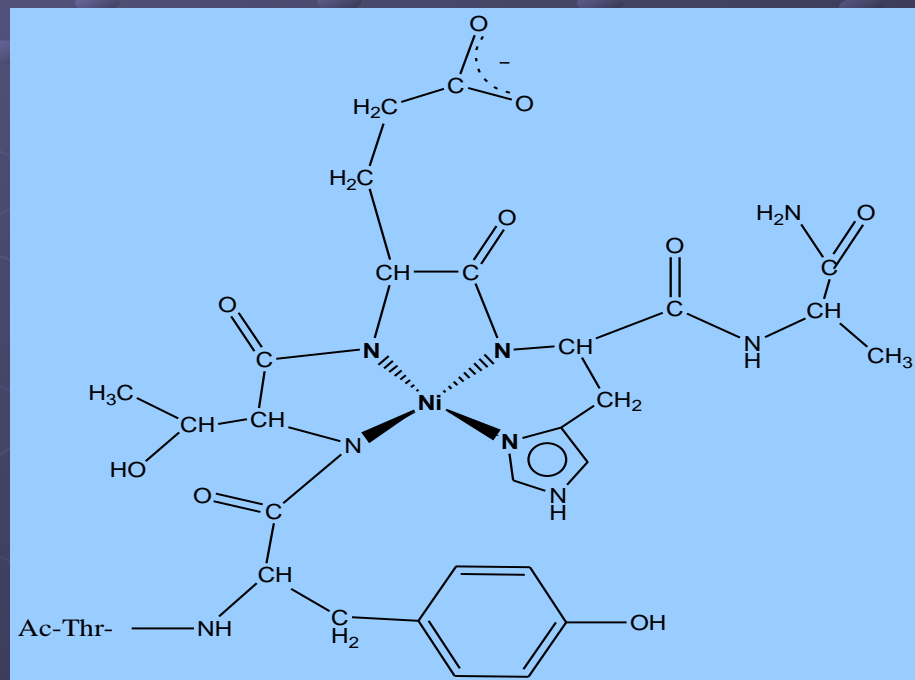
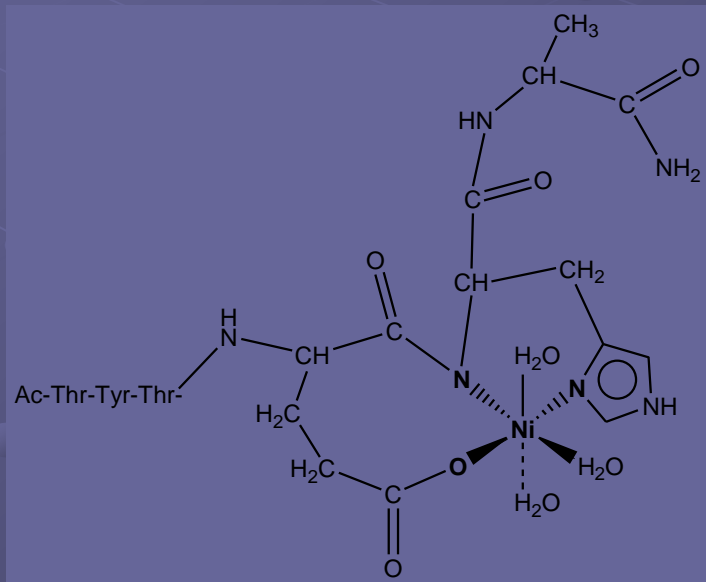
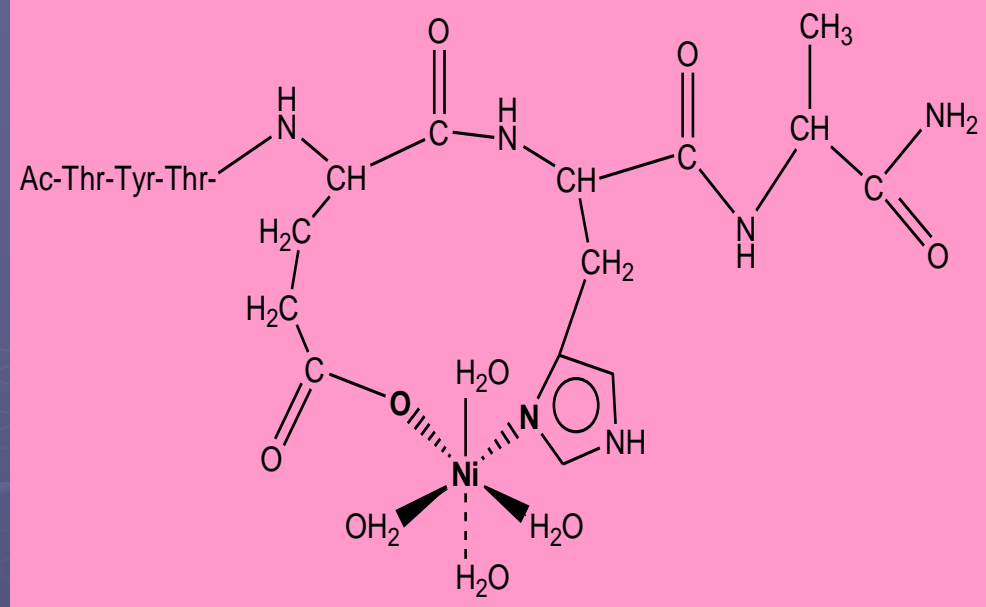
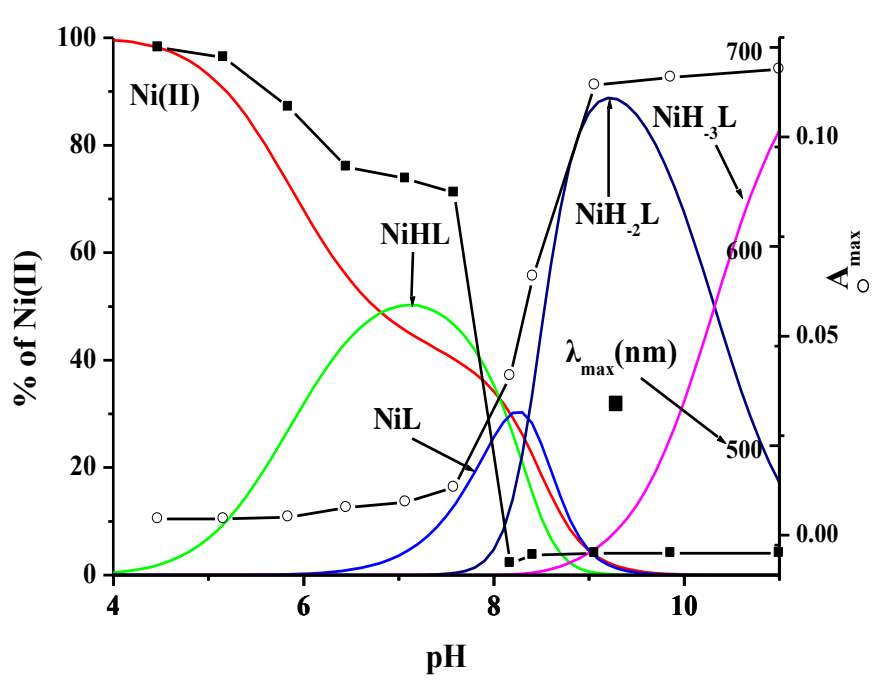
PROPOSED MECHANISM OF THE OXIDATIVE REACTION



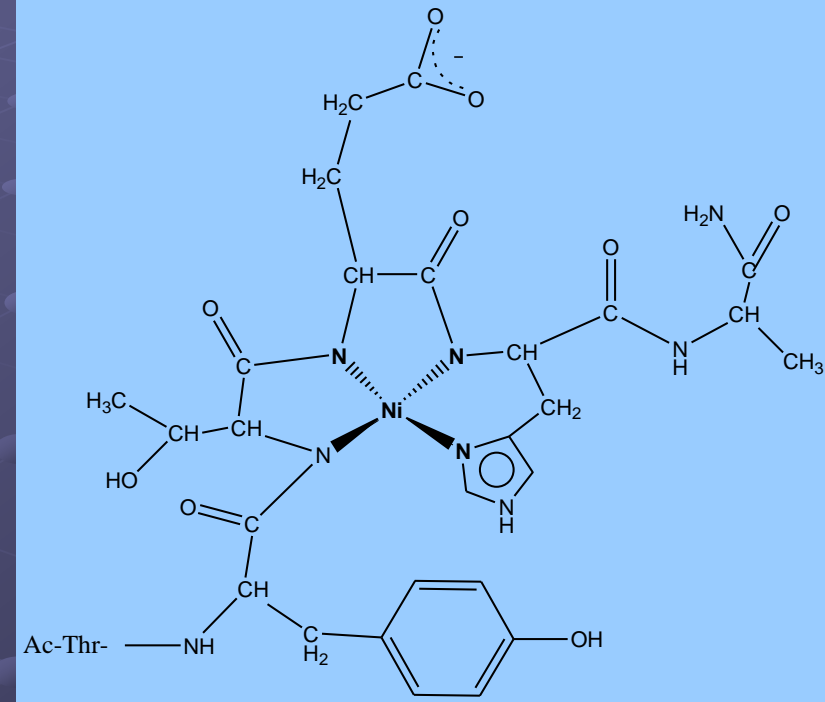
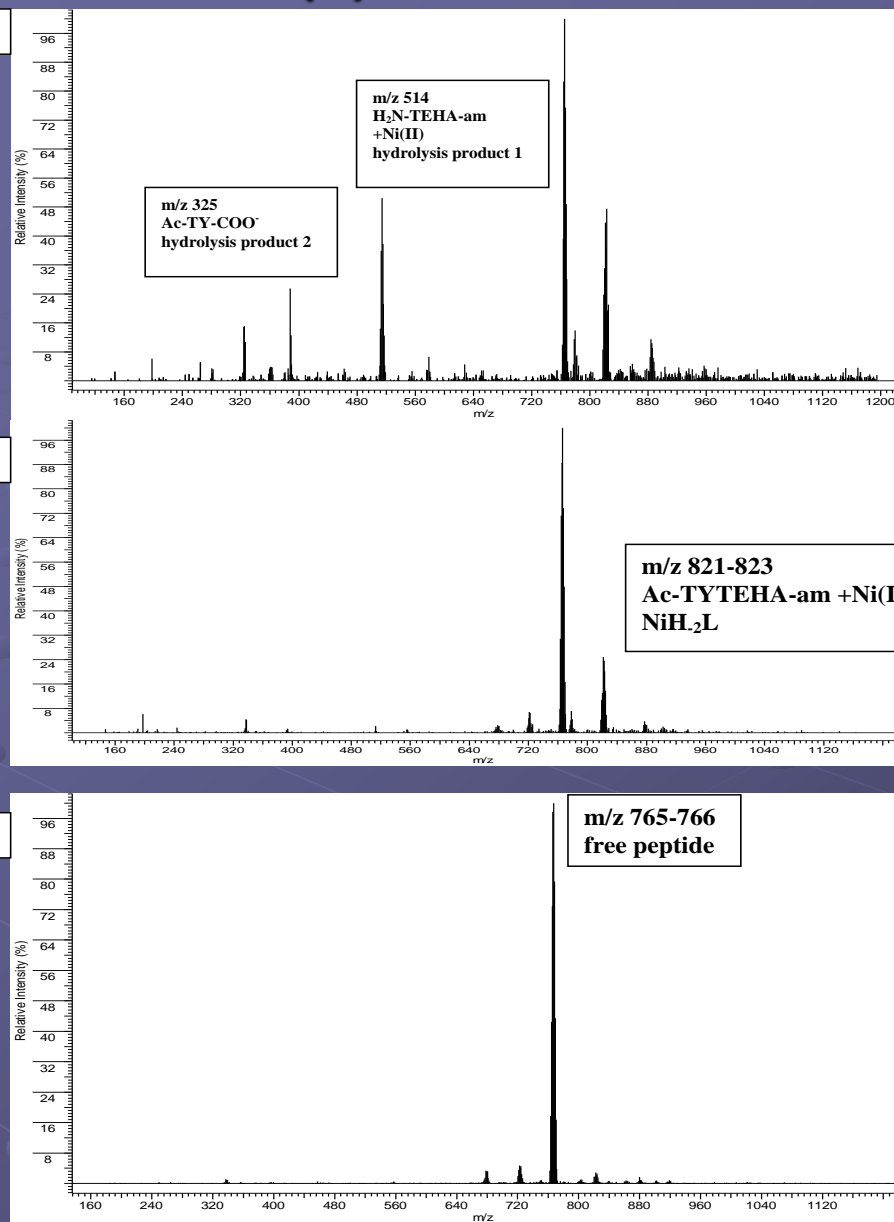
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I. Ac-TYTEHA-am (Cu(II), Ni(II))





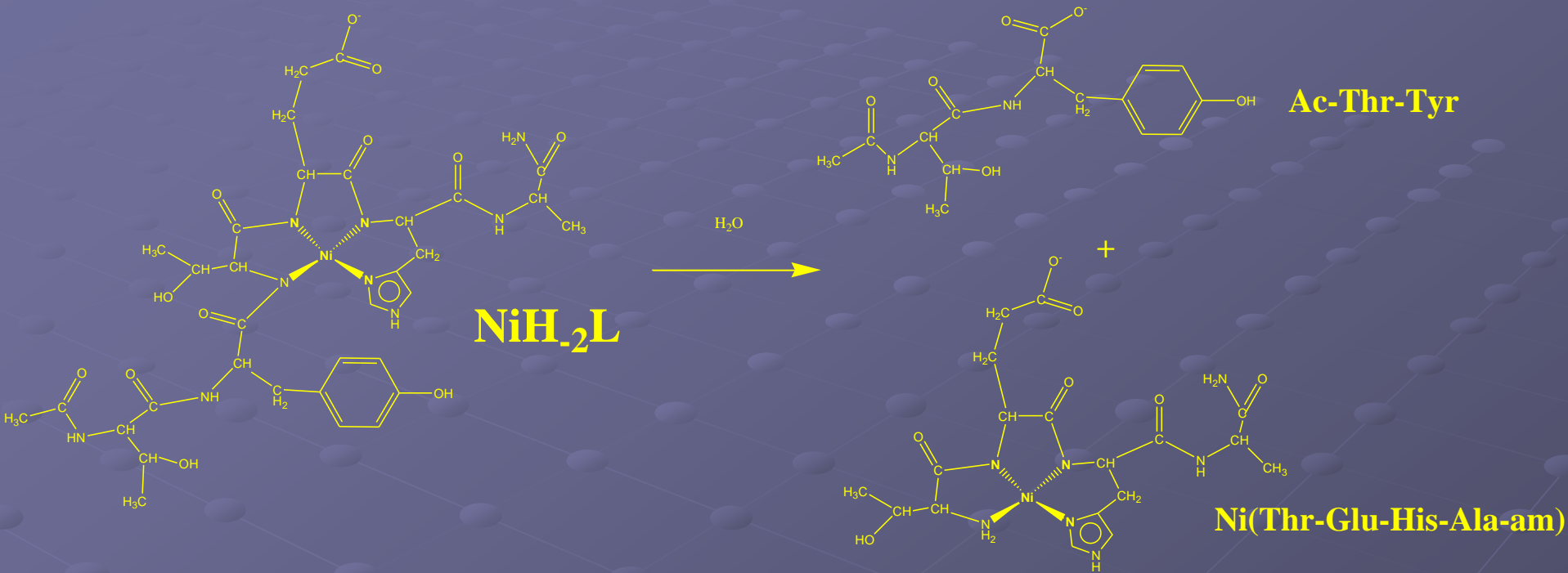
Ni(II)-TYTEHA interaction: Hydrolysis studies



ESI-MS spectra series of (a) Ac-TYTEHA-am (b) Ac-TYTEHA-am + Ni(II) 1:1, 30 min of incubation at 37°C, (c) Ac-TYTEHA-am + Ni(II), 48h of incubation

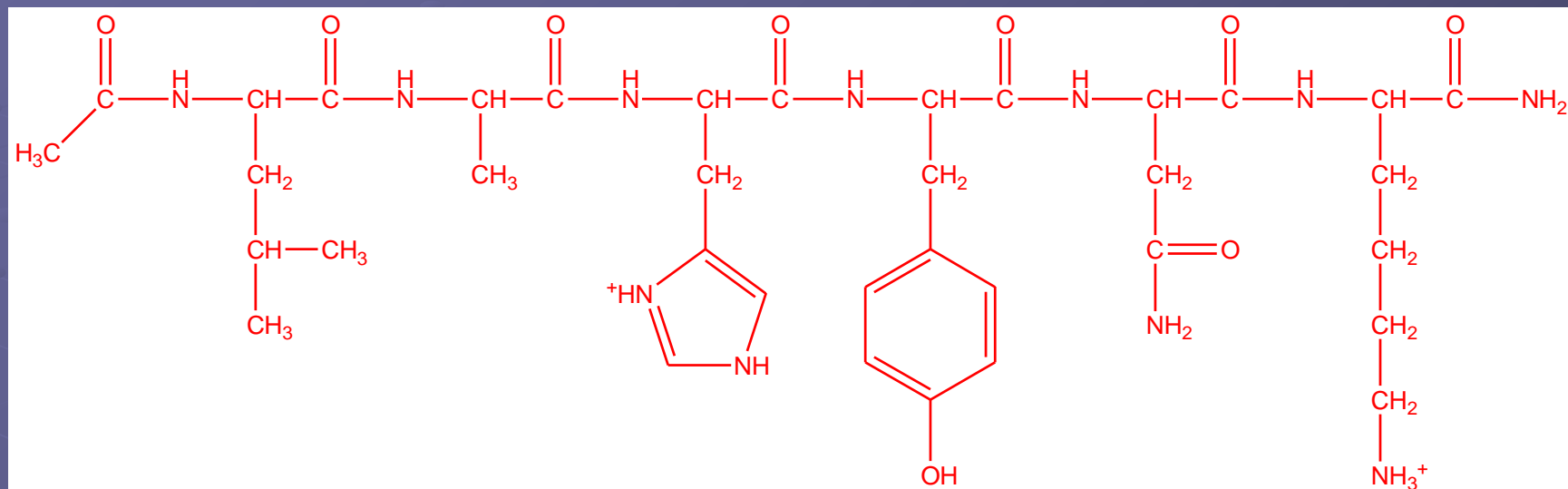
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- The hydrolysis reaction



The presence of Thr residue is important for hydrolytic cleavage!!

Cu(II)-LAHYNK- interaction.

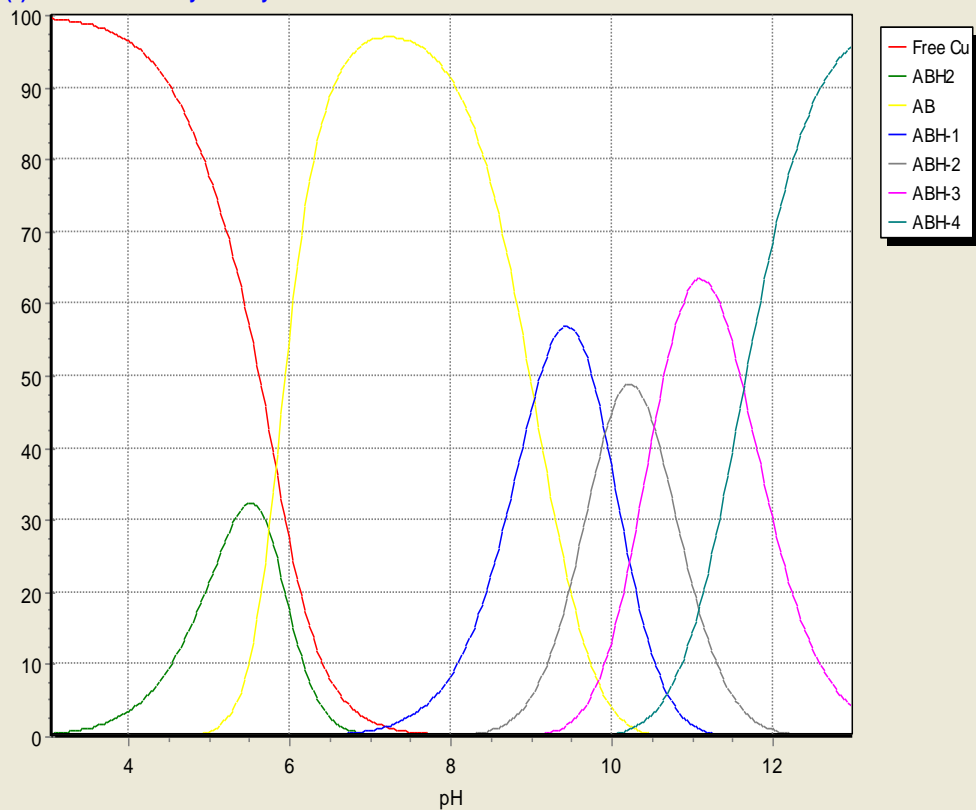


Ionization constants of the peptide -LAHYNK-.

<i>Species</i>	<i>logβ</i>	<i>pK_a</i>	<i>Std.Dev</i>	<i>Group</i>
<i>HL</i>	10.53	10.53	±0.01	Lys
<i>H₂L</i>	20.05	9.52	±0.01	Tyr
<i>H₃L</i>	26.28	6.23	±0.01	His

Cu(II)-LAHYNK- interaction.

Cu(II) + Ac-Leu-Ala-His-Tyr-Asn-Lys-amide 1:1:1



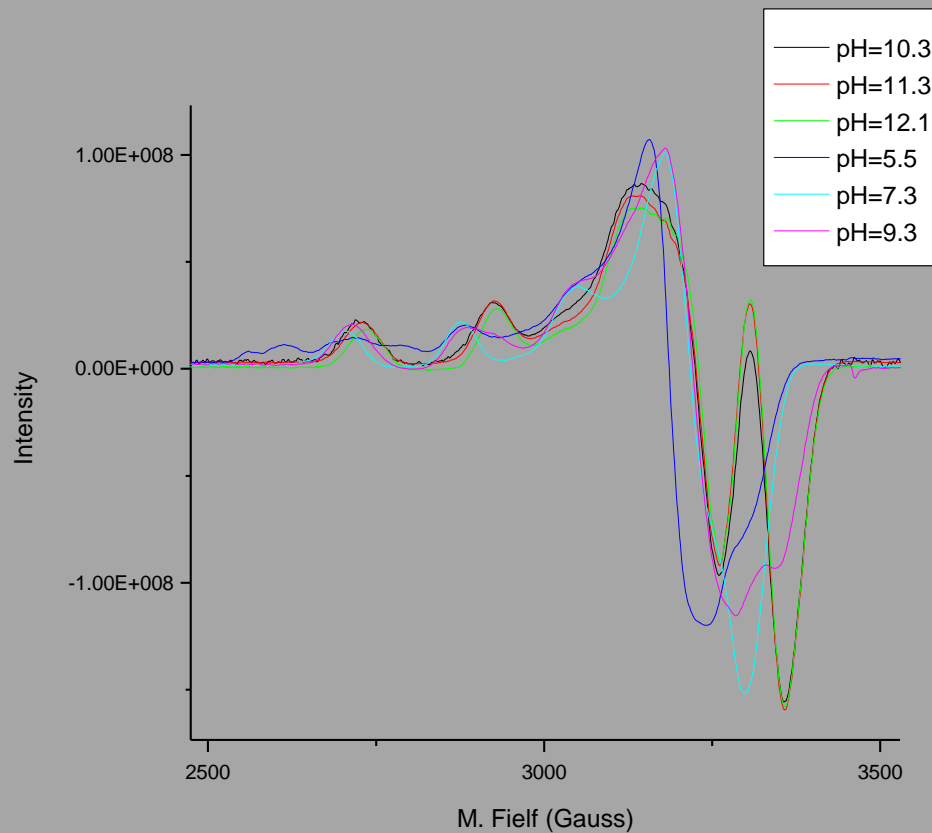
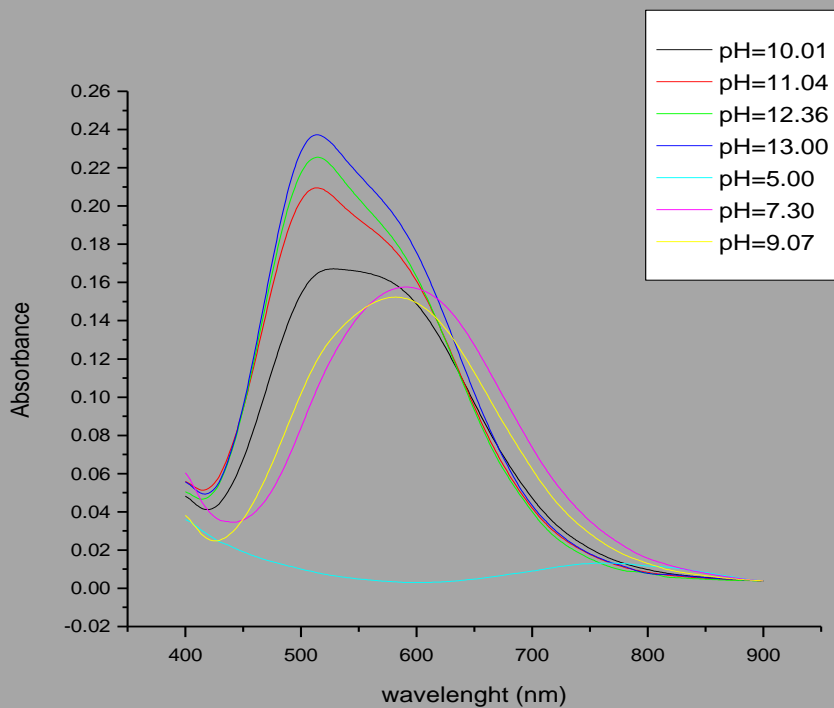
Species distribution diagram of the -LAHYNK- :Cu(II) system (1:1).

Stability constants of -LAHYNK- :
Cu(II) system (1:1).

Species	$\log\beta$	pK_a
CuH_2L	23.55 (1)	
CuL	12.06 (1)	
$CuH_{-1}L$	3.02 (1)	9.04
$CuH_{-2}L$	-6.89 (1)	9.91
$CuH_{-3}L$	-17.42 (1)	10.53
$CuH_{-4}L$	-29.07 (2)	11.65

Spectroscopic parameters of the system -LAHYNK- :Cu(II)

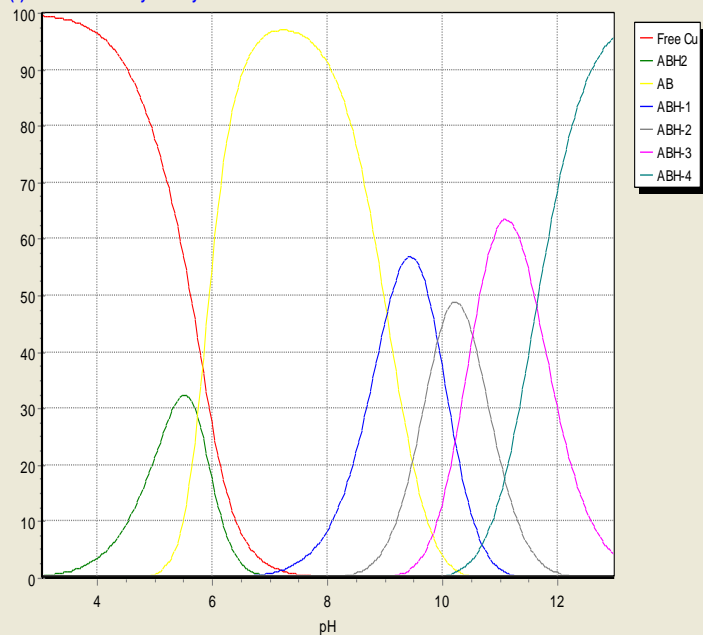
Species	UV/Vis	EPR	
	λ_{\max} ($\epsilon / M^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$)	A_{\parallel} (G)	g_{\parallel}
CuH₂L (1N)	*	*	*
CuL (3N)	591 (110)	170	2.230
CuL₋₁L (3N)	582 (94)	173	2.231
CuL₋₂L (4N)	528 (120)	196	2.190
CuL₋₃L (4N)	513(140)	196	2.180
CuL₋₄L (4N)	512(150)	196	2.180



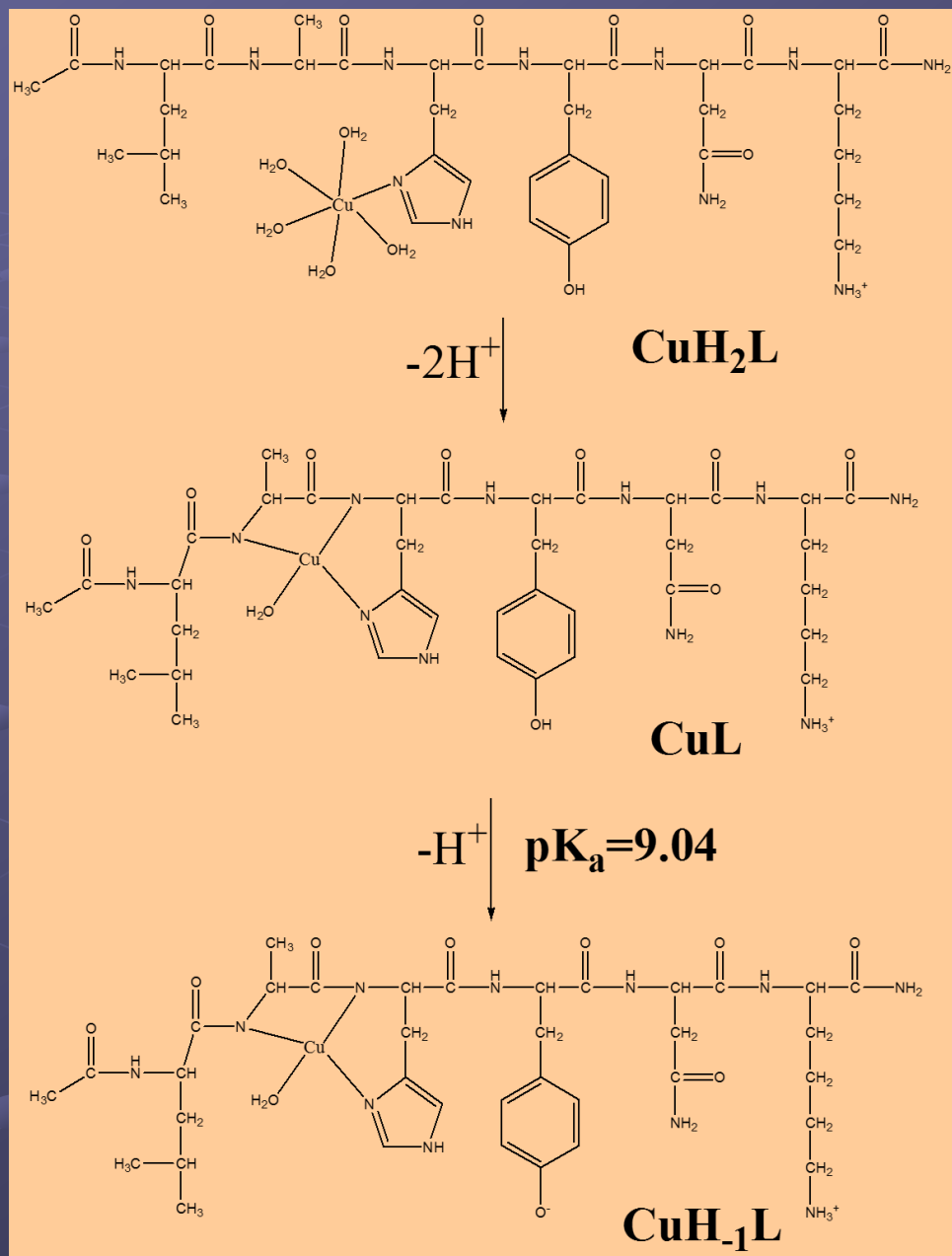
UV-Vis spectra of the system Cu(II):
Ac-LAHYNK-amide recorded at
various pH values .

CW-EPR spectra of the system
Cu(II): Ac-LAHYNK-amide recorded
at various pH values.

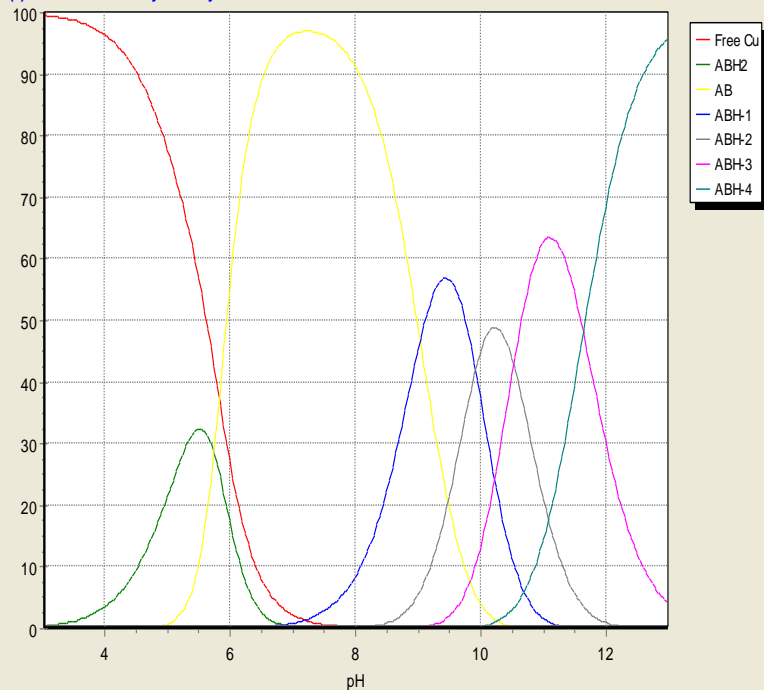
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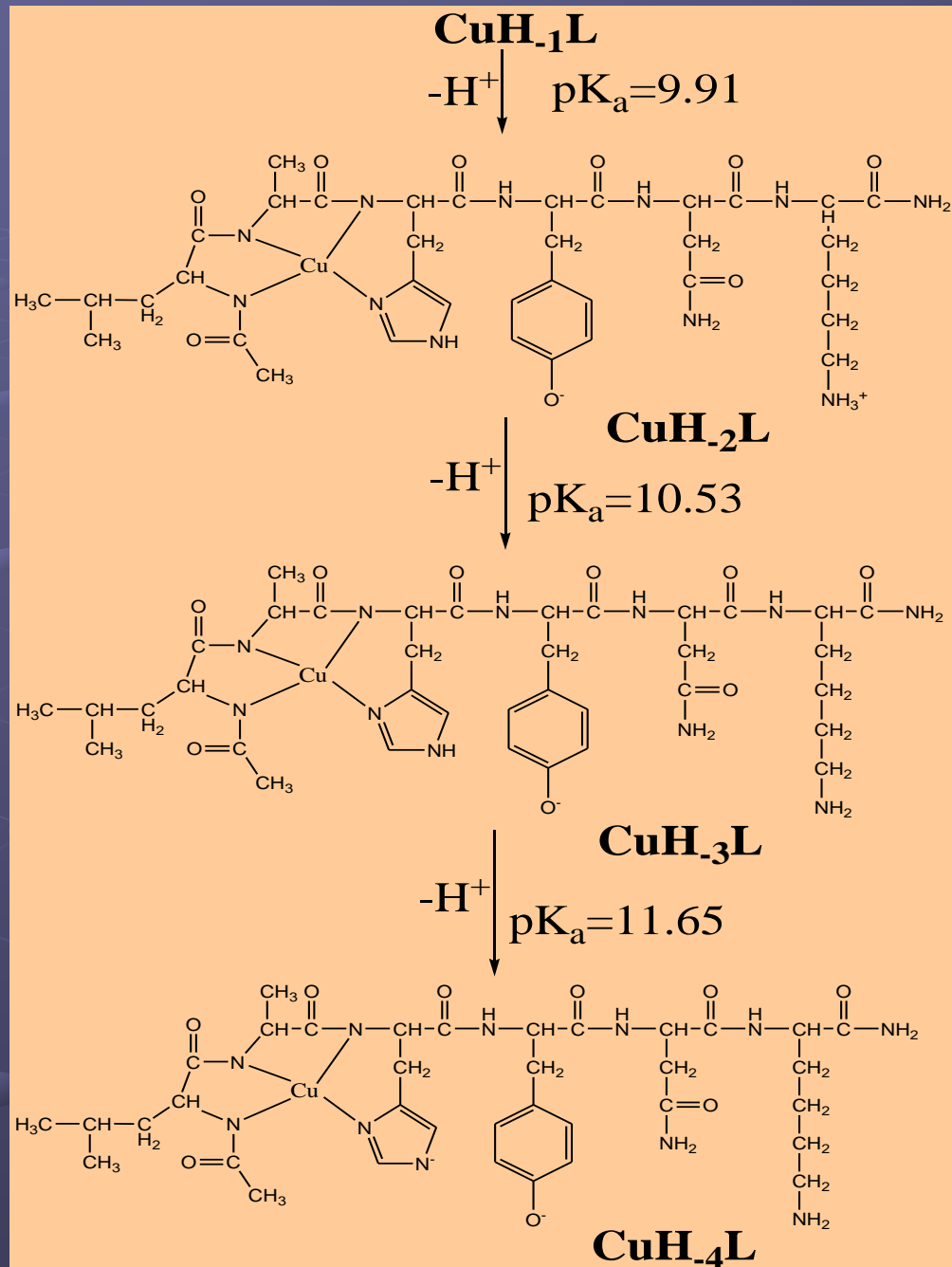
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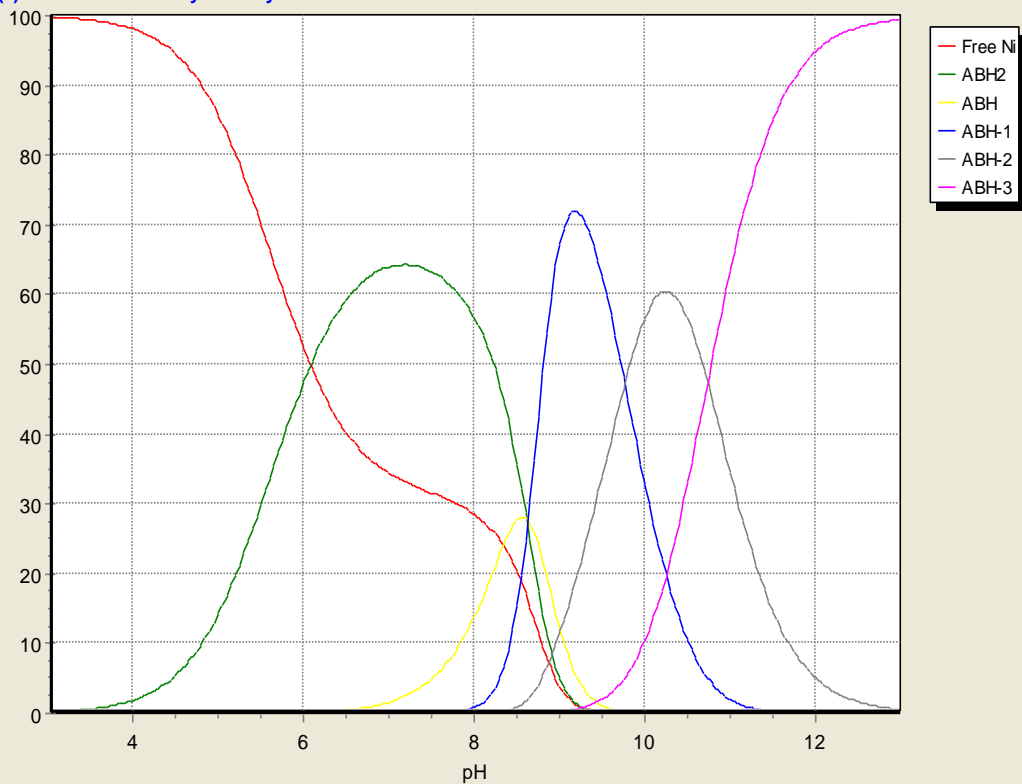


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Ni(II)-LAHYNK- interaction.

Ni(II) + Ac-Leu-Ala-His-Tyr-Asn-Lys-amide 1:2



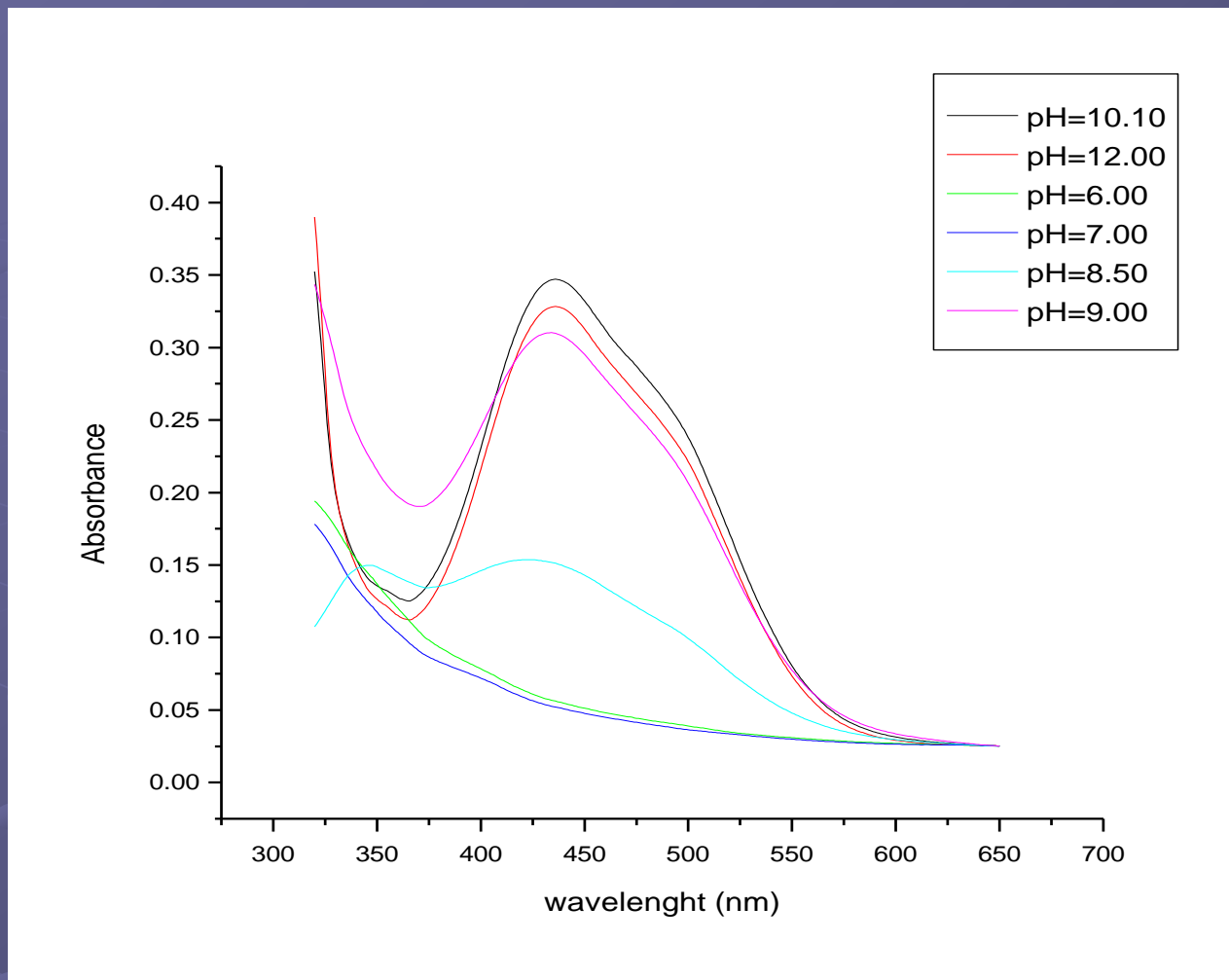
Stability constants of -LAHYNK- :
Ni(II) system (2:1).

Species	$\log\beta$	pK_a
NiH_2L	23.26 (3)	
$NiHL$	14.65 (3)	8.61
$NiH_{-1}L$	-2.60 (2)	-
$NiH_{-2}L$	-12.63 (3)	10.03
$NiH_{-3}L$	-23.09 (4)	10.46

Species distribution diagram of the -LAHYNK-
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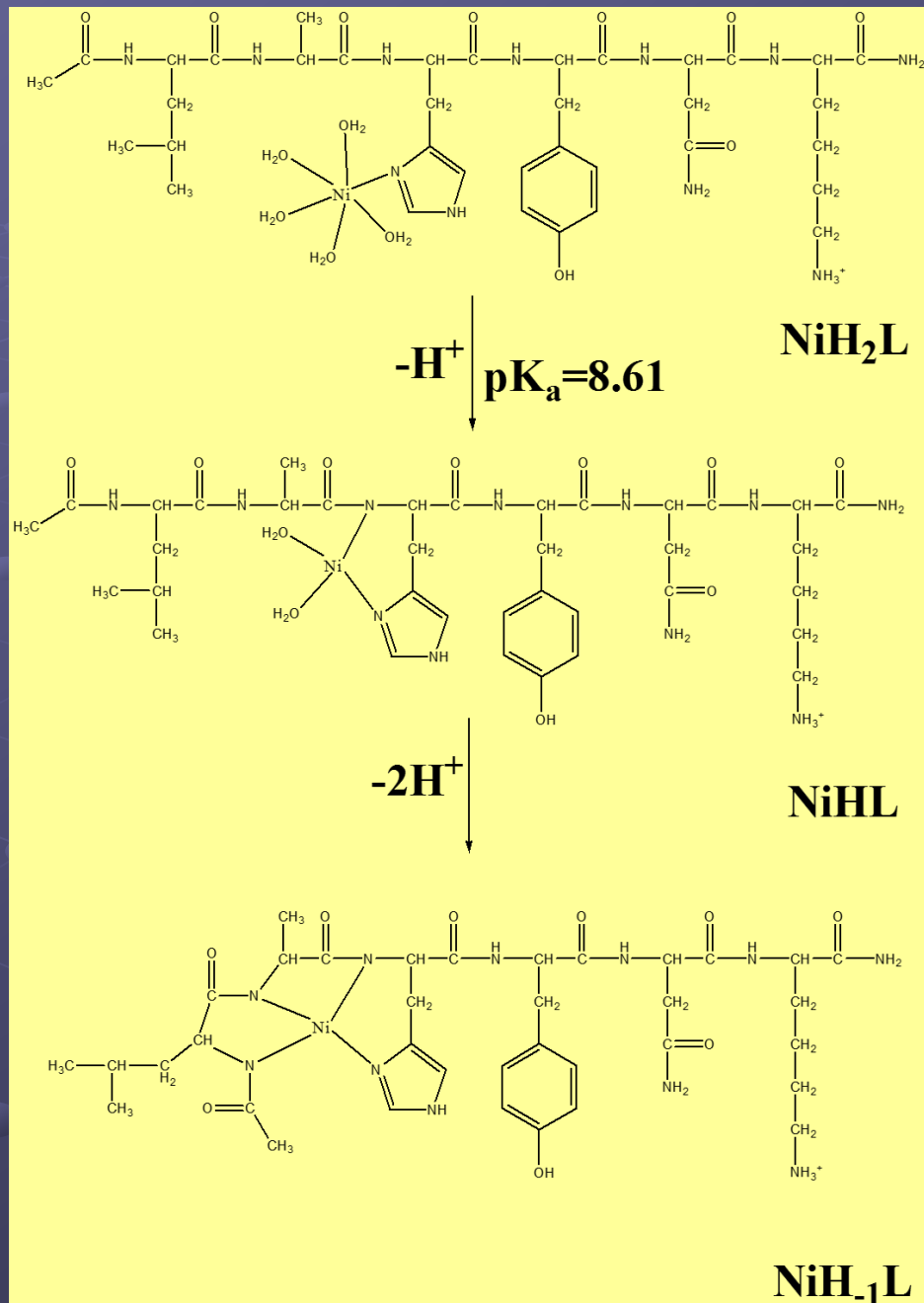
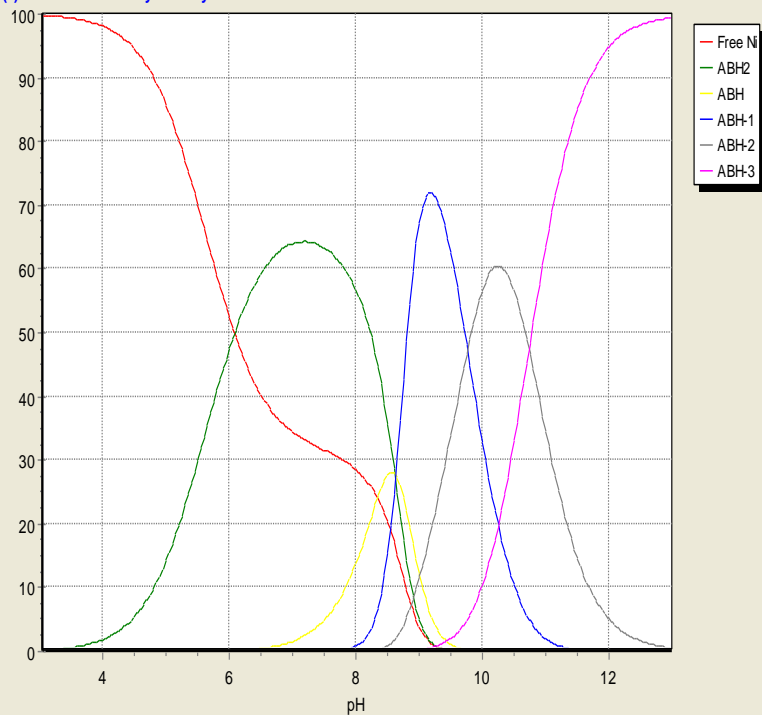
Spectroscopic parameters (UV-Vis) of the system -LAHYNK- :Ni(II)

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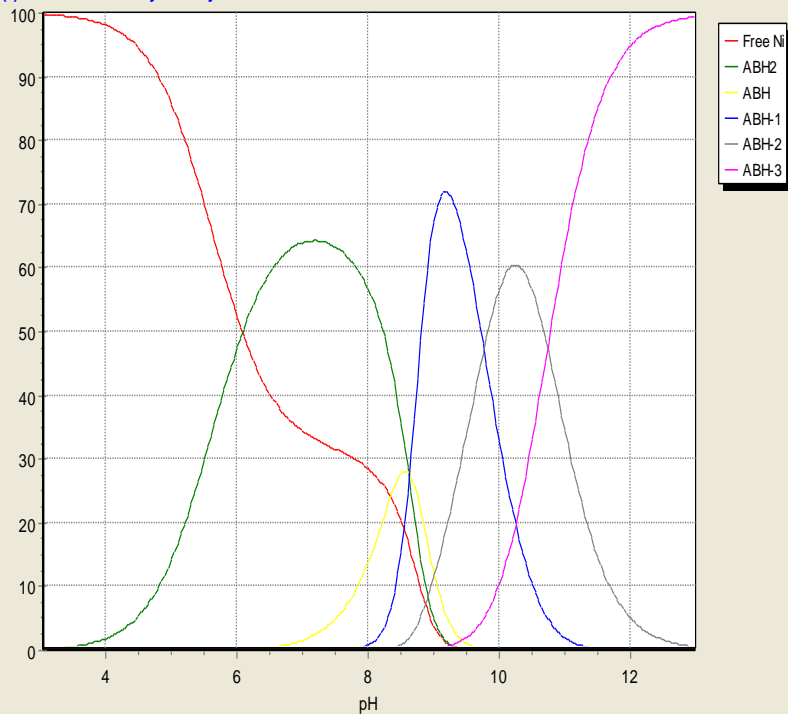
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Species

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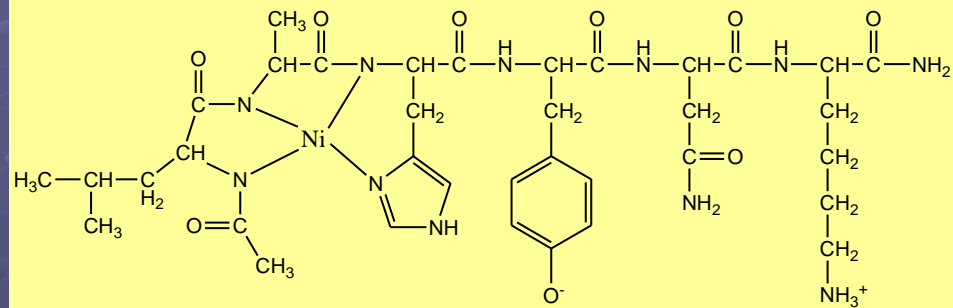
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NiL_3L (4N)

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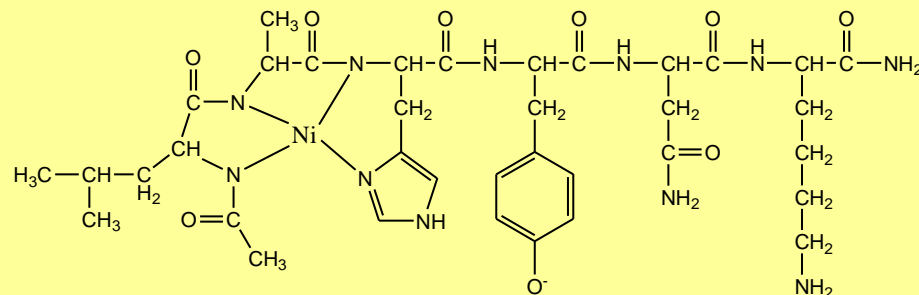
NiH_1L

$-\text{H}^+$ $\text{pK}_a=10.03$



NiH_2L

$-\text{H}^+$ $\text{pK}_a=10.46$



NiH_3L

MAIN CONCLUSIONS- PART A

- 1.** All peptide models interact strongly with the metal ions over the pH range 5-10.5. The imidazole side chain of His is the initial metal anchoring group while successive coordination of amide donors saturate the equatorial plane leading to 4N complexes above pH~9
- 2.** peptides hydrolytic cleavage in the presence of metal ions was observed only when **Ser** or **Thr** residues are located near the coordination sites
- 3.** **THE COMPLEX CuH_2L WITH -TESHHK- EFFICIENTLY PROMOTED OXIDATION OF dG, WITH A TRANSIENT FORMATION OF SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS OF 8-oxo-dG IN PHYSIOLOGICAL CONDITIONS (pH = 7.4 and T = 37 °C)**

PART B: Studies in larger peptide models of histone H2B

● **Synthesized sequences:**

● **Peptide (1): (1-31)**

Ac-PEPAKSAPAPKKGSKKAVTKAQKKDGKKRKR-am

● **peptide (2): (32-62)**

Ac-SRKQSYSVYVYKVLKQVHPDTGISSKAMGIM-am

● **peptide (3): (63-93)**

Ac-NSFVNDIFERIAGEASRLAHYNKRSTITSRE-am

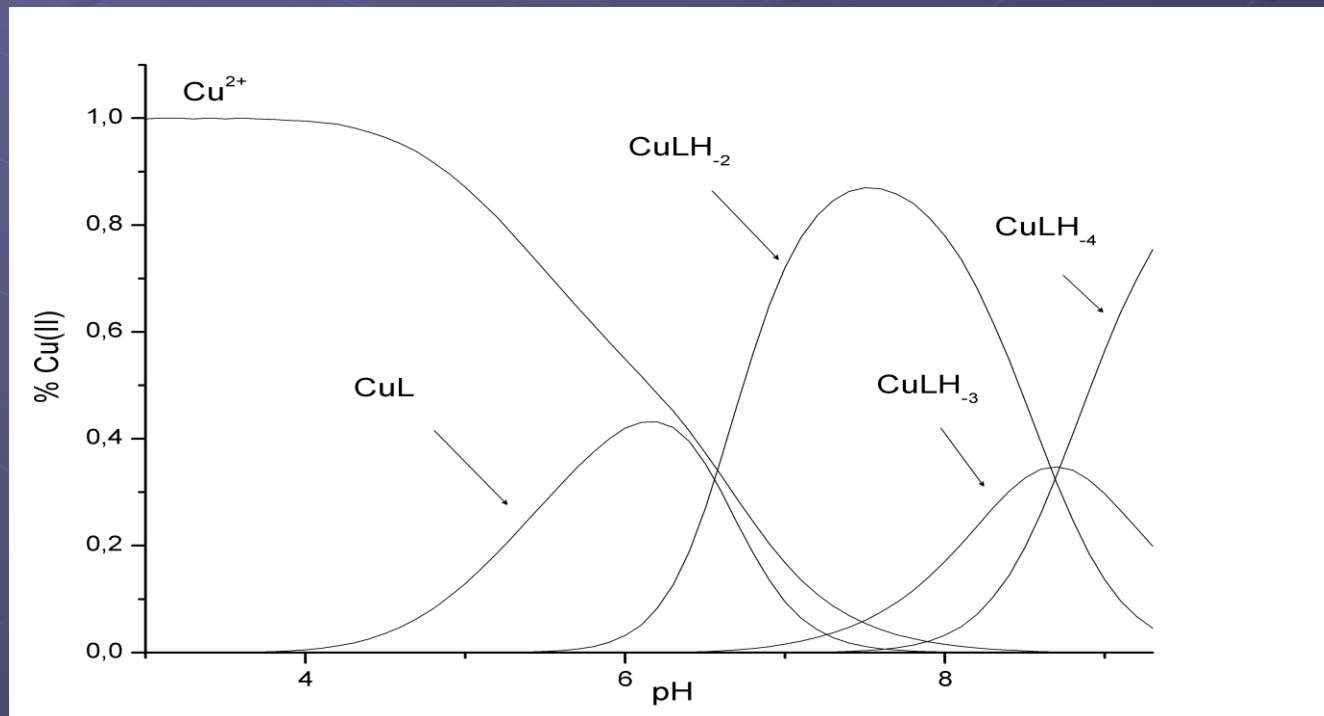
● **peptide (4): (94-125)**

Ac-IQTAVRLLLPGELAKHAVSEGTKAVTKYTSSK-am

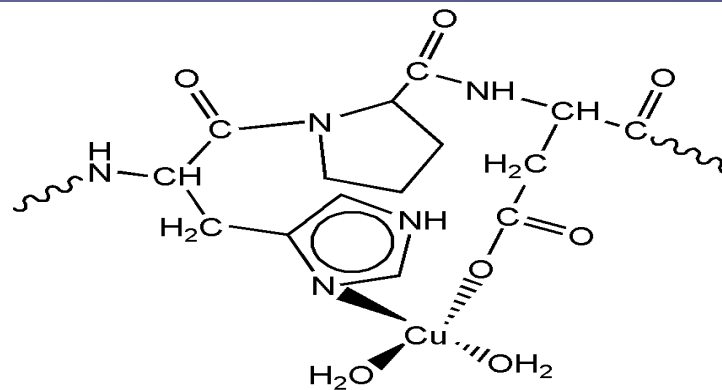
2. $H2B_{32-62}$ $Cu(II)$, $Ni(II)$ interaction

$H2B_{32-62}$: $AcSRKQSYSVYVYKVLKQVHPDTGISSKAMGIMNH_2$

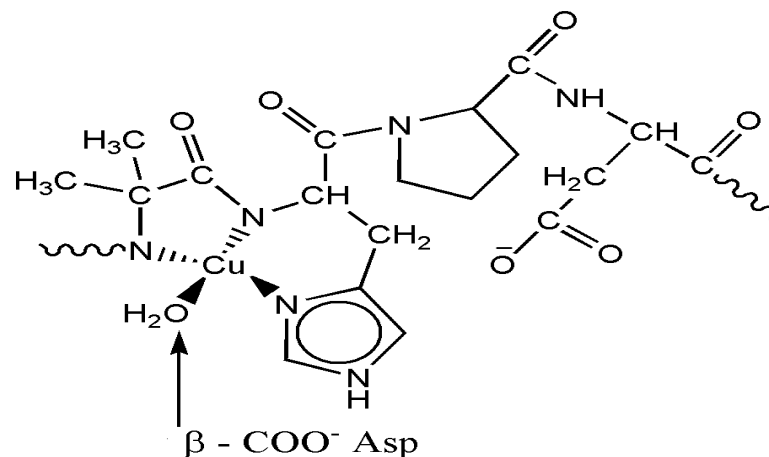
- Free peptide precipitates above pH ~ 7.8
- In the presence of $Cu(II)$ above pH ~10.5
- $Ni(II)$ ions didn't interact with the peptide



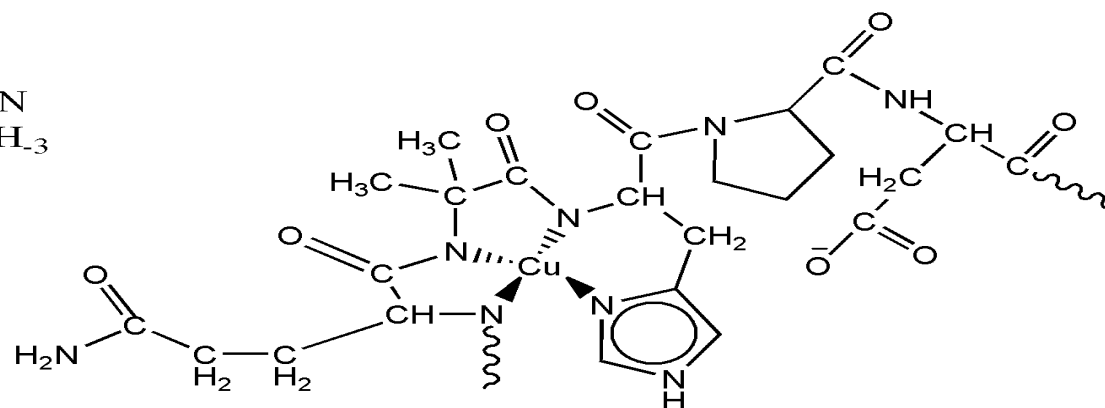
(a) 1N
CuL



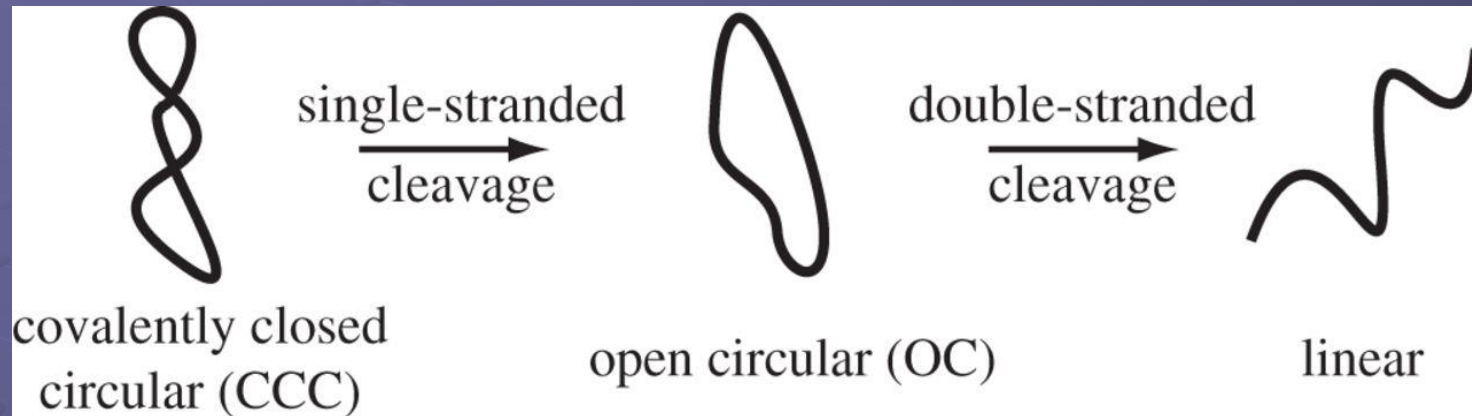
(b) 3N
CuLH₂



(c) 4N
CuLH₃



DNA strand breakage studies

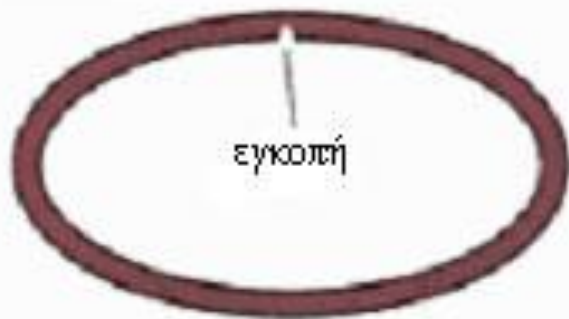


- pUC19 plasmid
- CCC form → high electrophoretic mobility
- OC form (single strand break) → reduced mobility
- Lin form (double strand breaks) → intermediate mobility

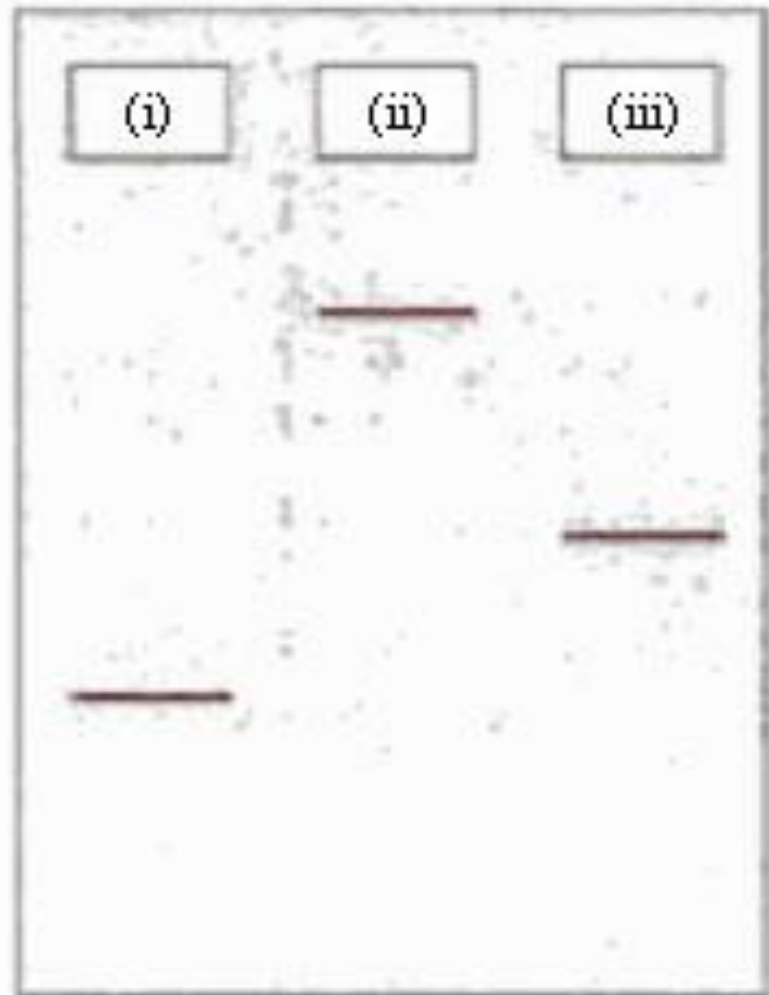
(i) supercoiled μορφή πλασμιδίου
(ισχυρά συνεστραμμένο σαν ελαστικό καλώδιο)



(ii) open circular
(με μία εγκοπή στη μία αλυσίδα)



(iii) linear
(γραμμική μορφή)



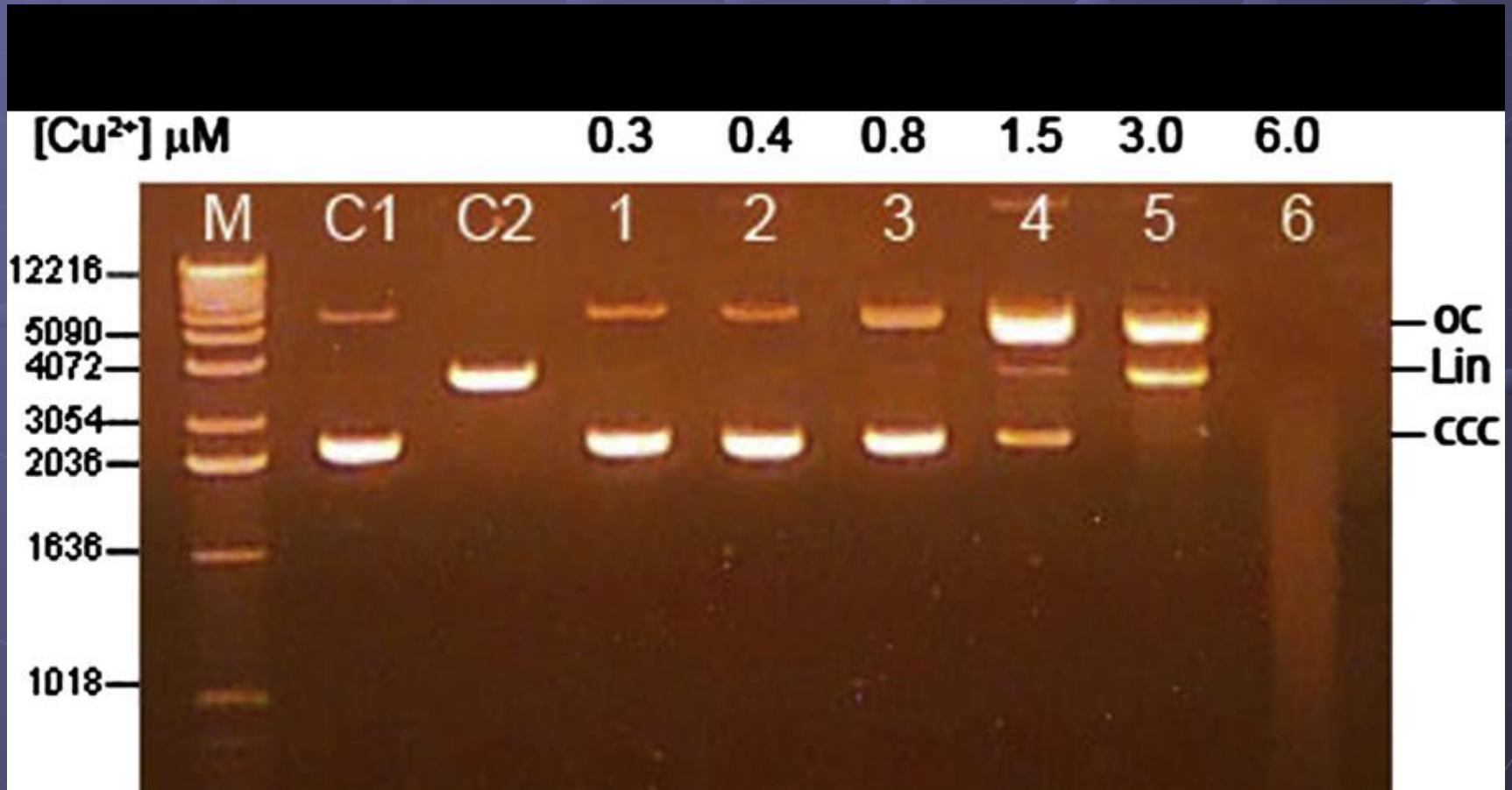
DNA strand breakage studies

- single strand breaks → production of hydroxyl radicals in the bulk of the solution
- double strand scissions
 - single strand breaks in close parts of the DNA molecule
 - and/or
 - site-selective mechanism that requires binding of the metal ion with DNA right before the production of the hydroxyl radical.

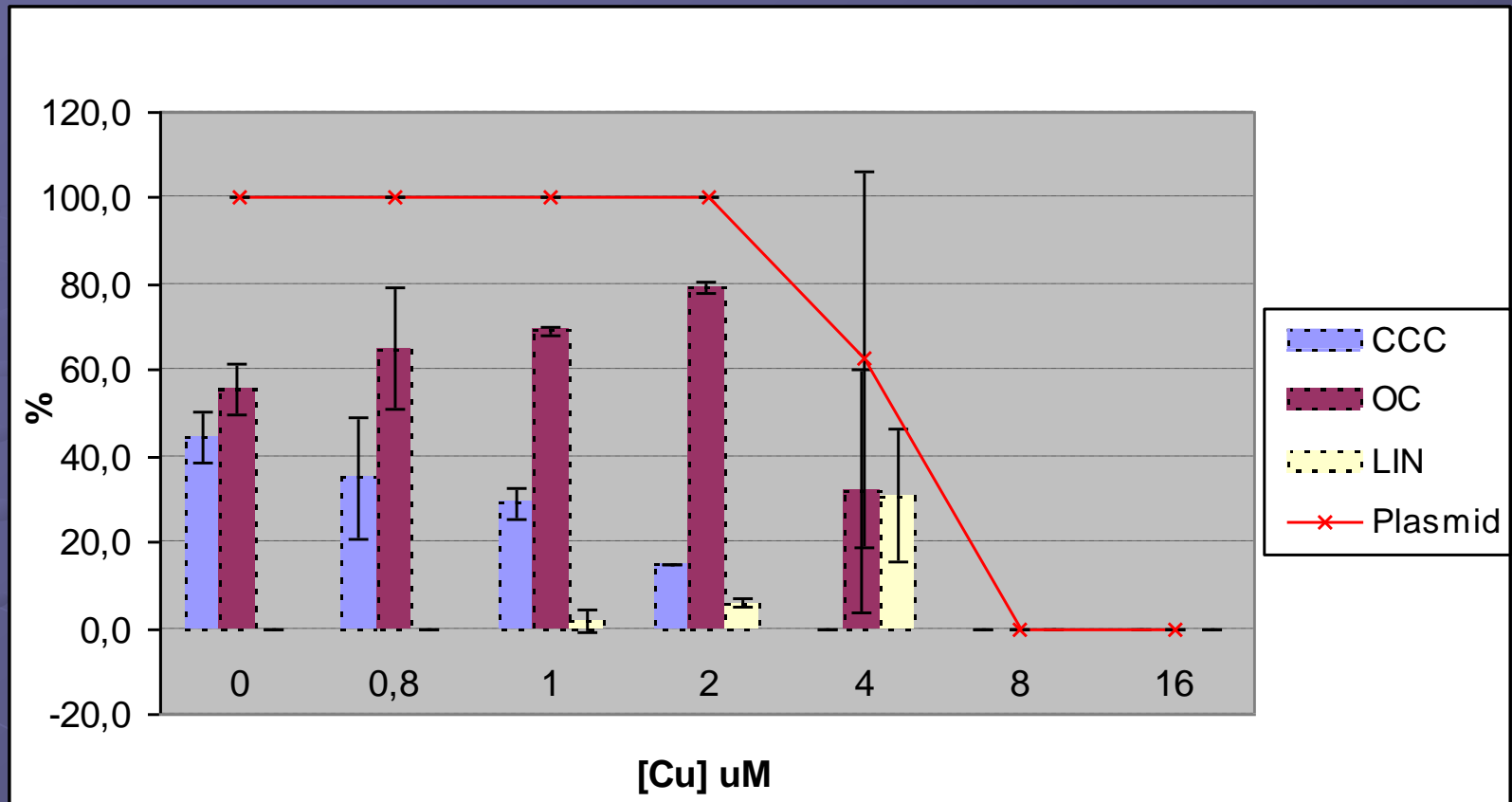
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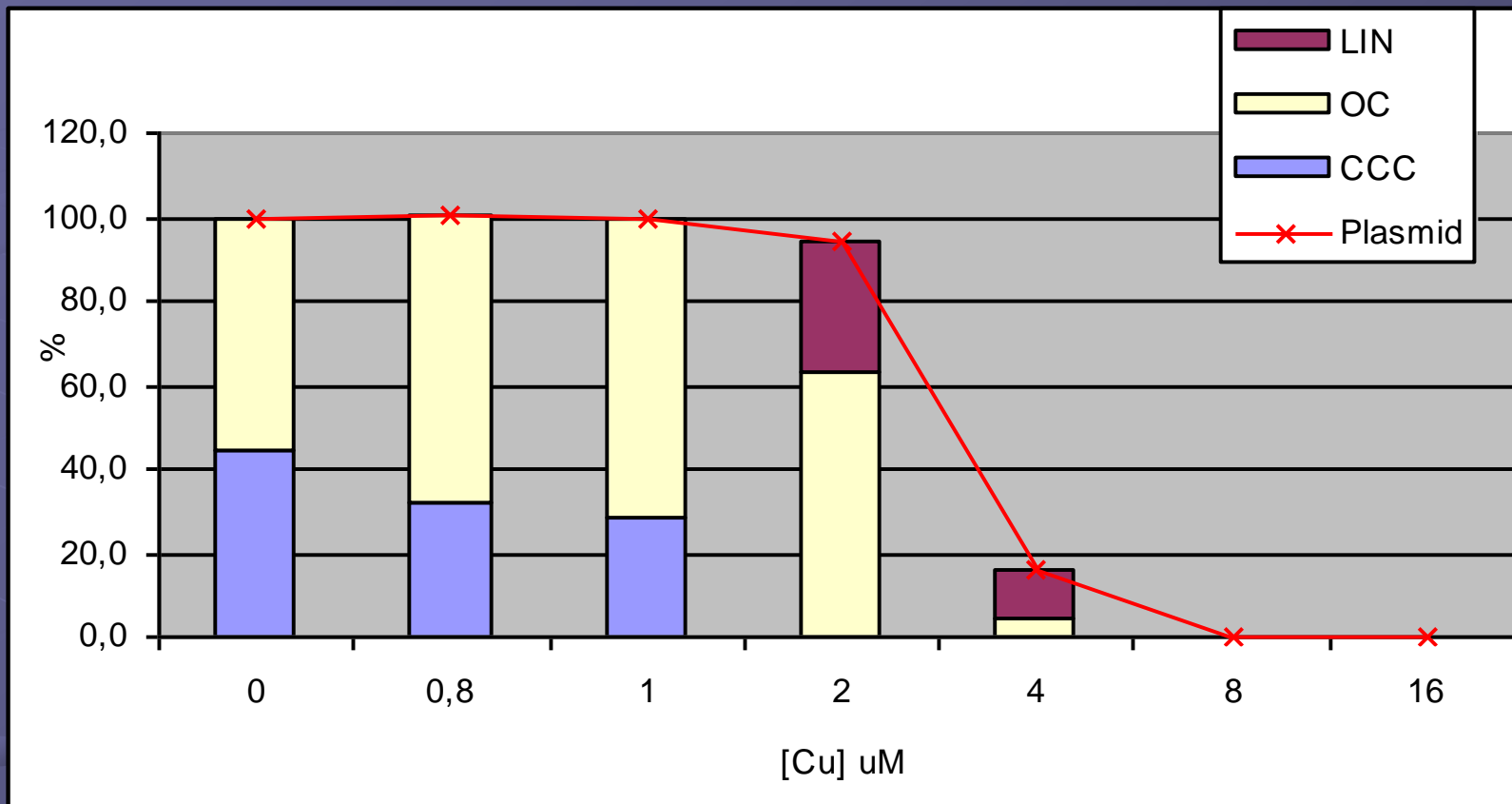


Επίδραση ιόντων Cu^{2+} στο πλασμιδιακό DNA

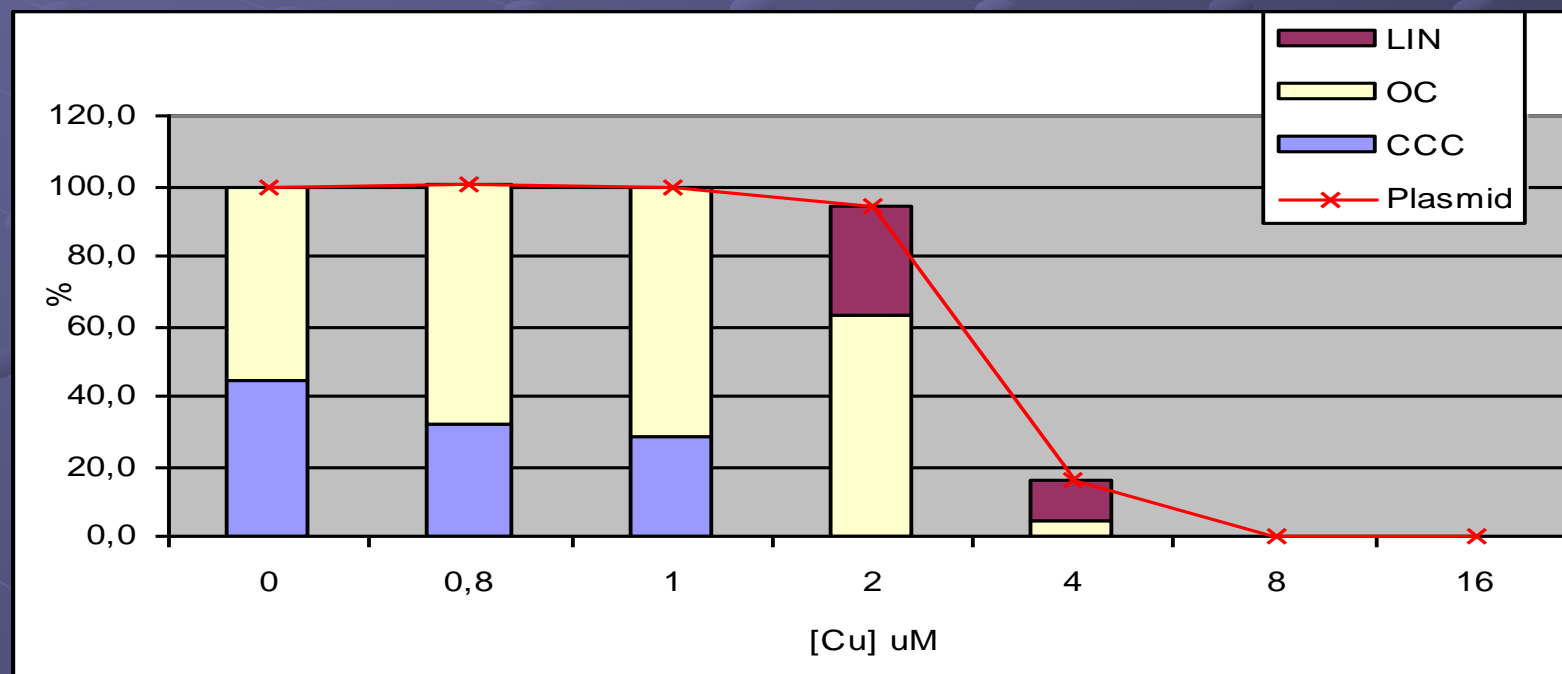
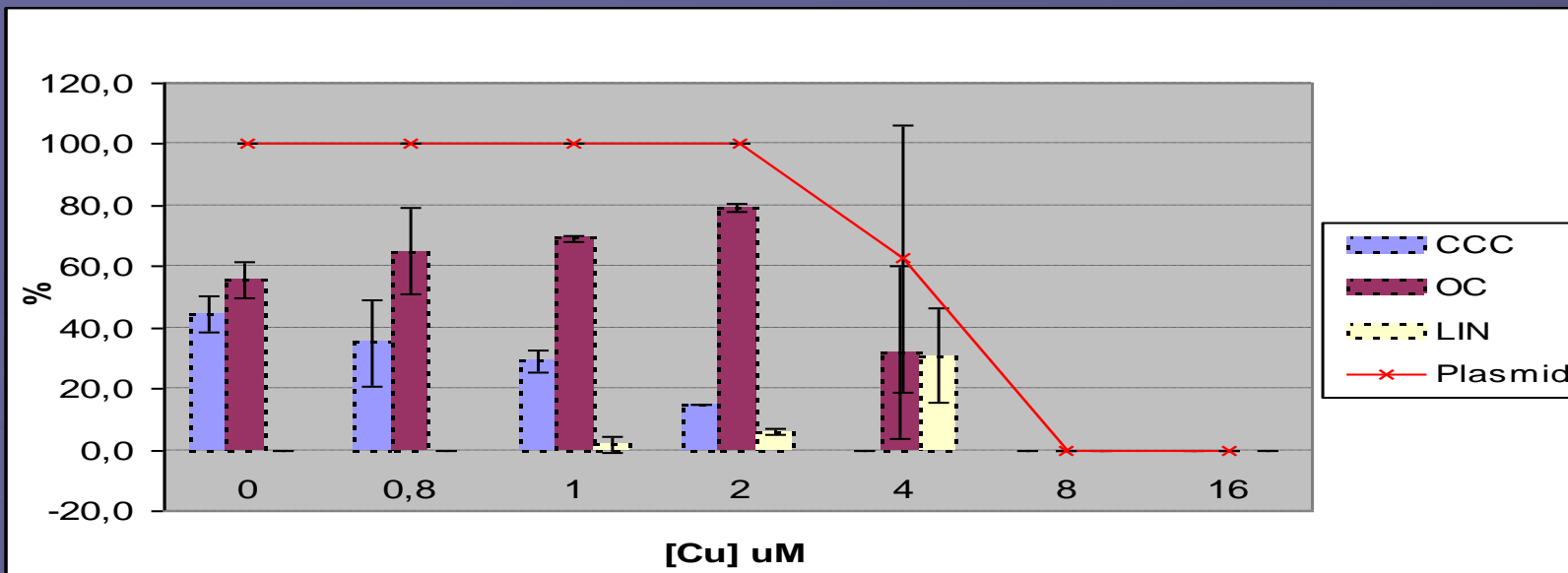


Ποσοστά supercoiled, open-circular και linear πλασμιδίου έπειτα από επώαση με διάφορες συγκεντρώσεις χαλκού (μέσος όρος 2 πειραμάτων) pUC19 (0.8 μg), H_2O_2 (1 mM)

Επίδραση Συμπλόκων Cu^{2+} - $\text{H}_2\text{B}_{32-62}$ ΣΤΟ πλασμιδιακό DNA



- Ποσοστά supercoiled, open-circular και linear πλασμιδίου έπειτα από επώαση με διάφορες συγκεντρώσεις χαλκού, H_2O_2 (1 mM) και $\text{H}_2\text{B}_{32-62}$ (8 μM) (μέσος όρος 2 πειραμάτων)



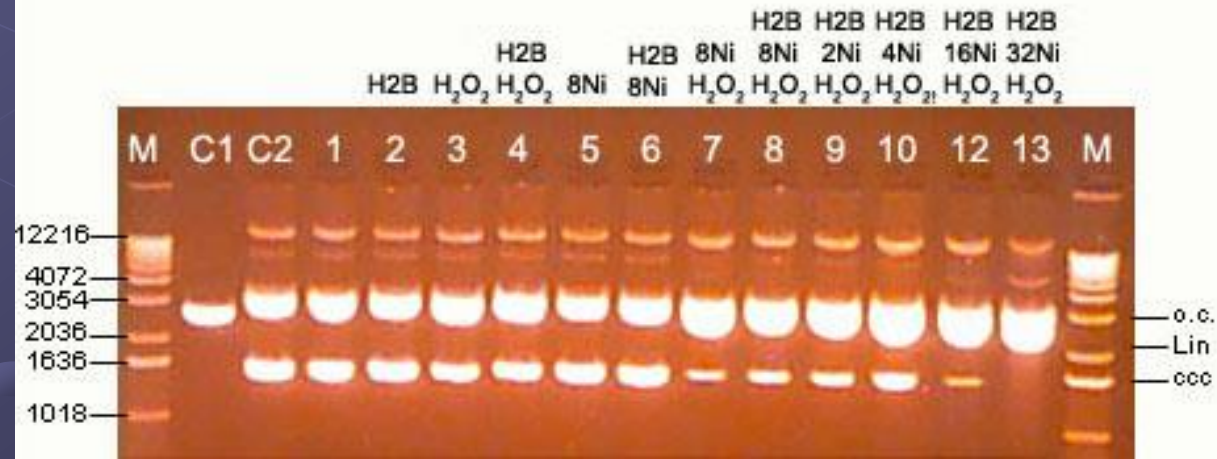
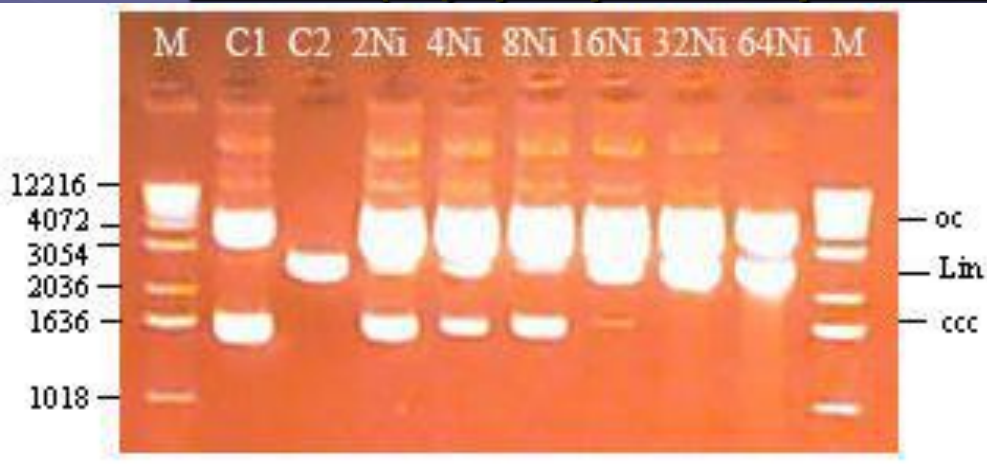
Gels bands quantification results

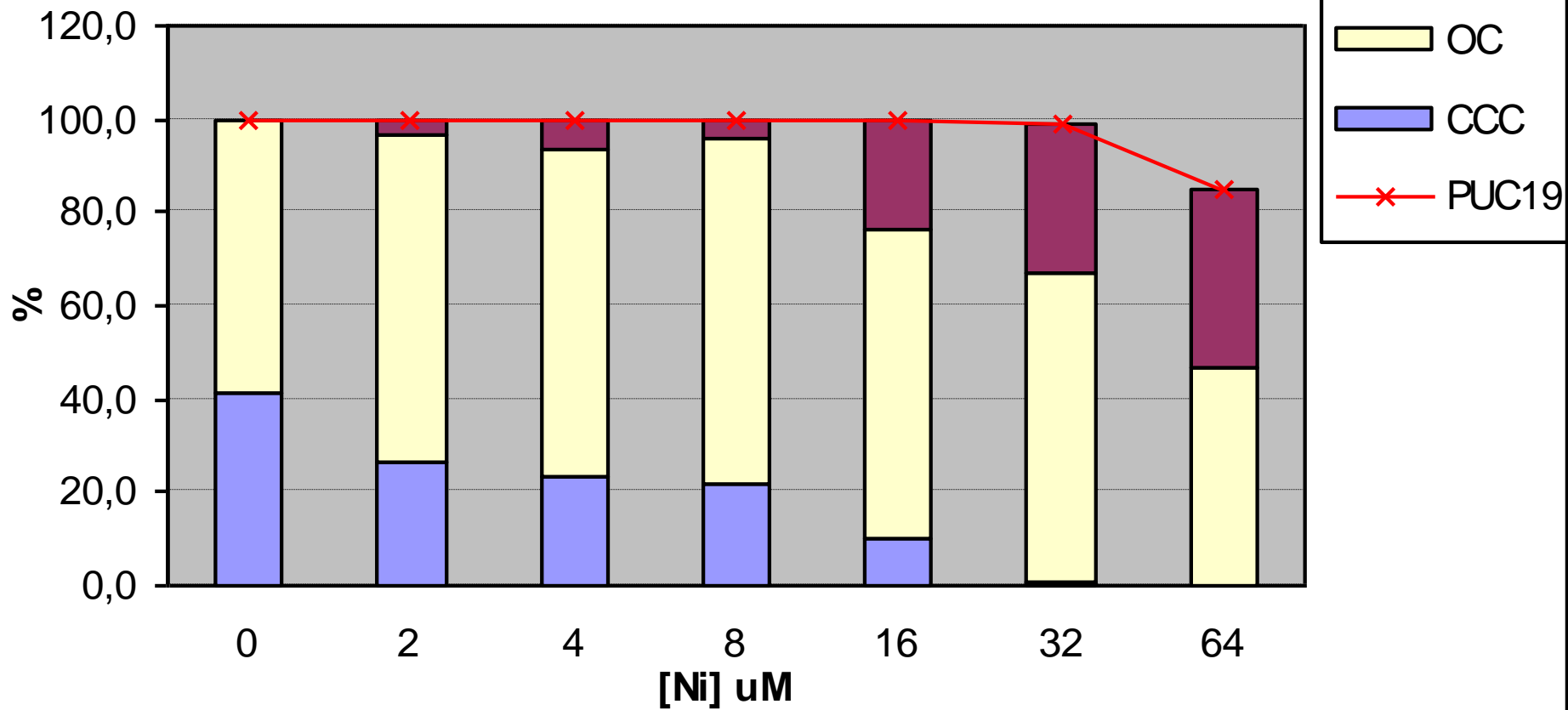
- The plasmid oxidative damage is bigger in presence of the peptide
- Double strand scission is enhanced in the presence of **H2B₃₂₋₆₂**
- **Due to the high DNA affinity of H2B₃₂₋₆₂ the 3N (N_{im}, 2N⁻) redox active Cu(II)-peptide complex at pH~7.4 may approach DNA molecule (double strand scission)**

DNA strand breakage studies

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histone fold domain model -strong interaction with DNA-

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supercoiled → open-circular και open-circular → linear

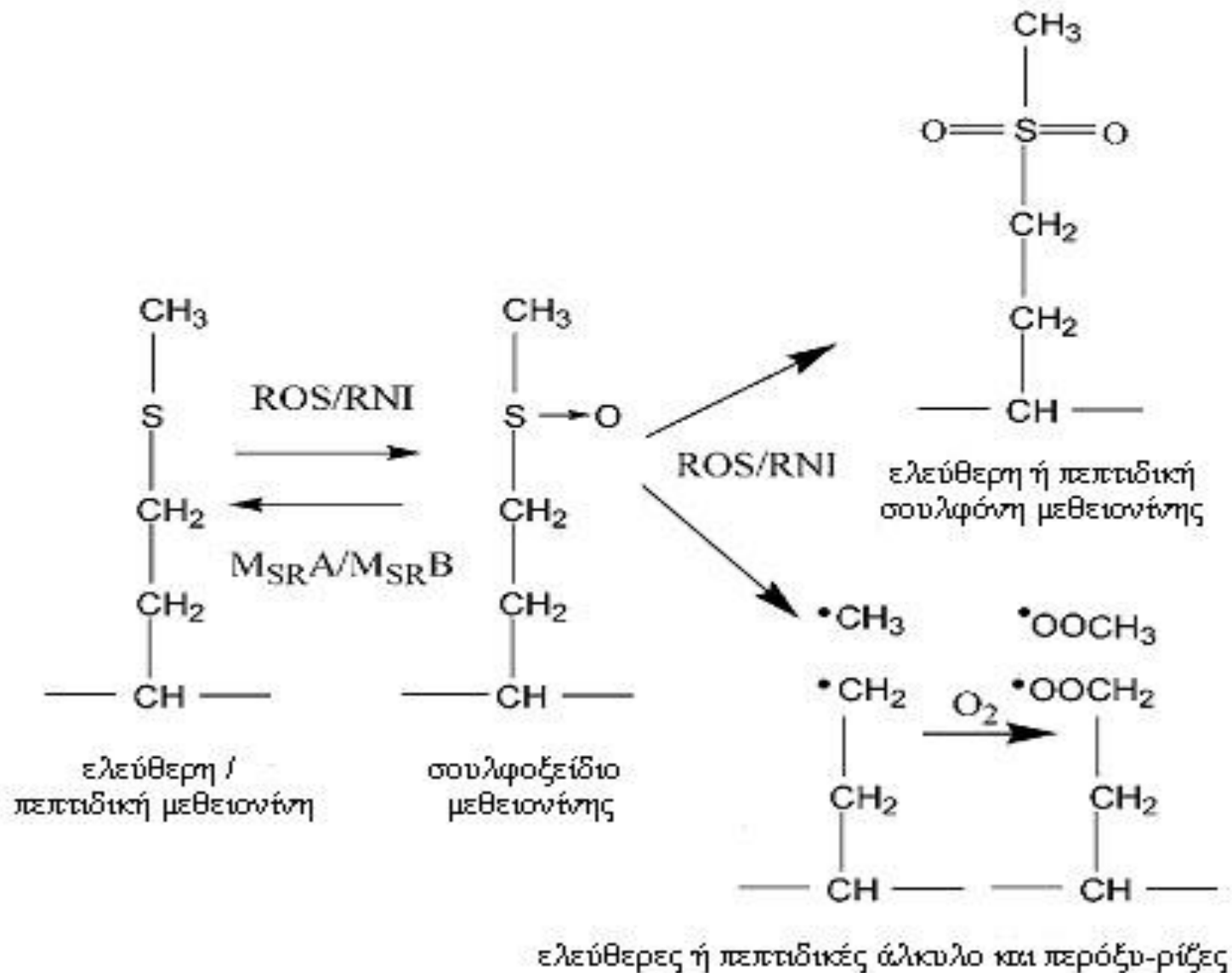
Gels bands quantification results

[Ni ²⁺] (μM)	(supercoiled) (%)		(open circular) (%)		(linear) (%)		total (%)	
	No pept		No pept		No pept			
0	41.7	45.0	58.3	55.0	0	0	100	100
2	26.7	18.3	70.0	78.3	3.3	3.3	100	100
4	23.3	14.2	70.0	71.7	6.7	14.2	100	100
8	21.7	14.0	74.2	65.2	4.2	20.8	100	100
16	10.0	3.3	66.7	61.7	23.3	35.0	100	100
32	0.8	0	65.8	65.0	32.5	35.0	99.2	100
64	0	0	46.7	50.8	38.3	42.5	85.0	93.3

Gels bands quantification results

- The plasmid decomposition in small fragments is less in the presence of the peptide (protective role)
- Double strand scission is enhanced in the presence of **H2B₃₂₋₆₂** **Why??**
- **Due to the high DNA affinity of H2B₃₂₋₆₂ the later may act as a protective layer to the plasmid and attacked first by oxygen radicals produced by Ni(II) complex in the bulk of the solution. Oxidation of Met residues may lead to active peroxy or alkoxy radicals mediating double strand scission !!**

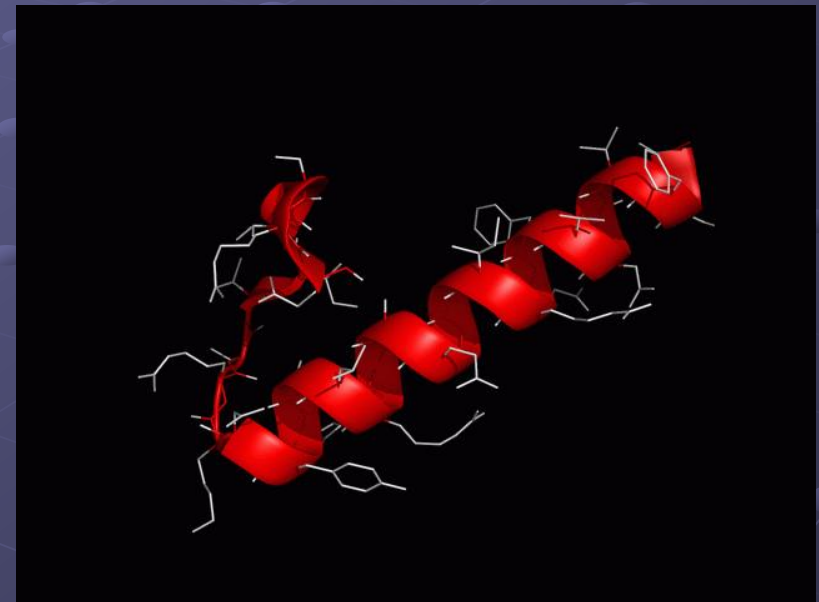
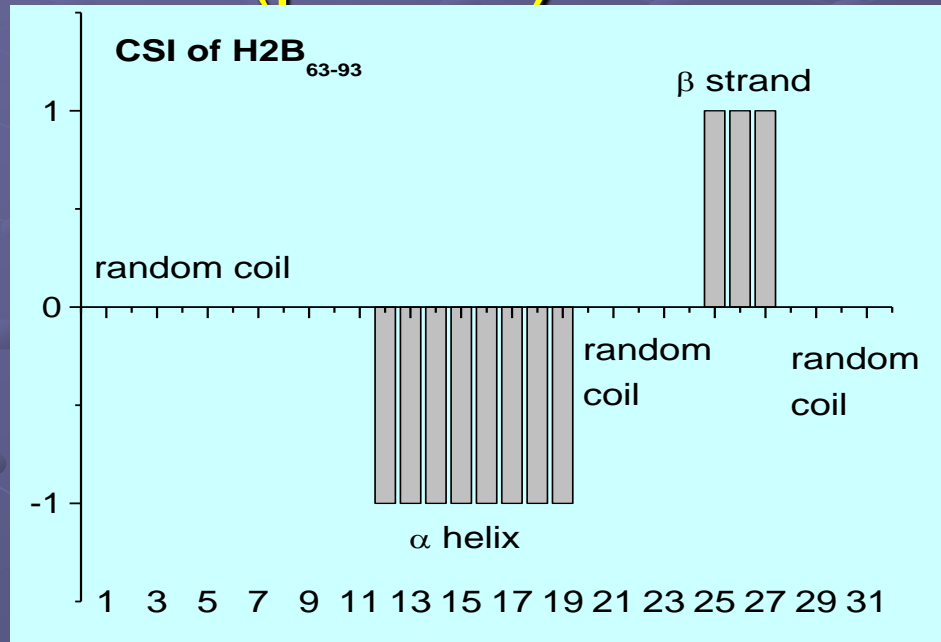
Met residues oxidation



3. H2B₆₃₋₉₃ Cu(II), Ni(II) interaction

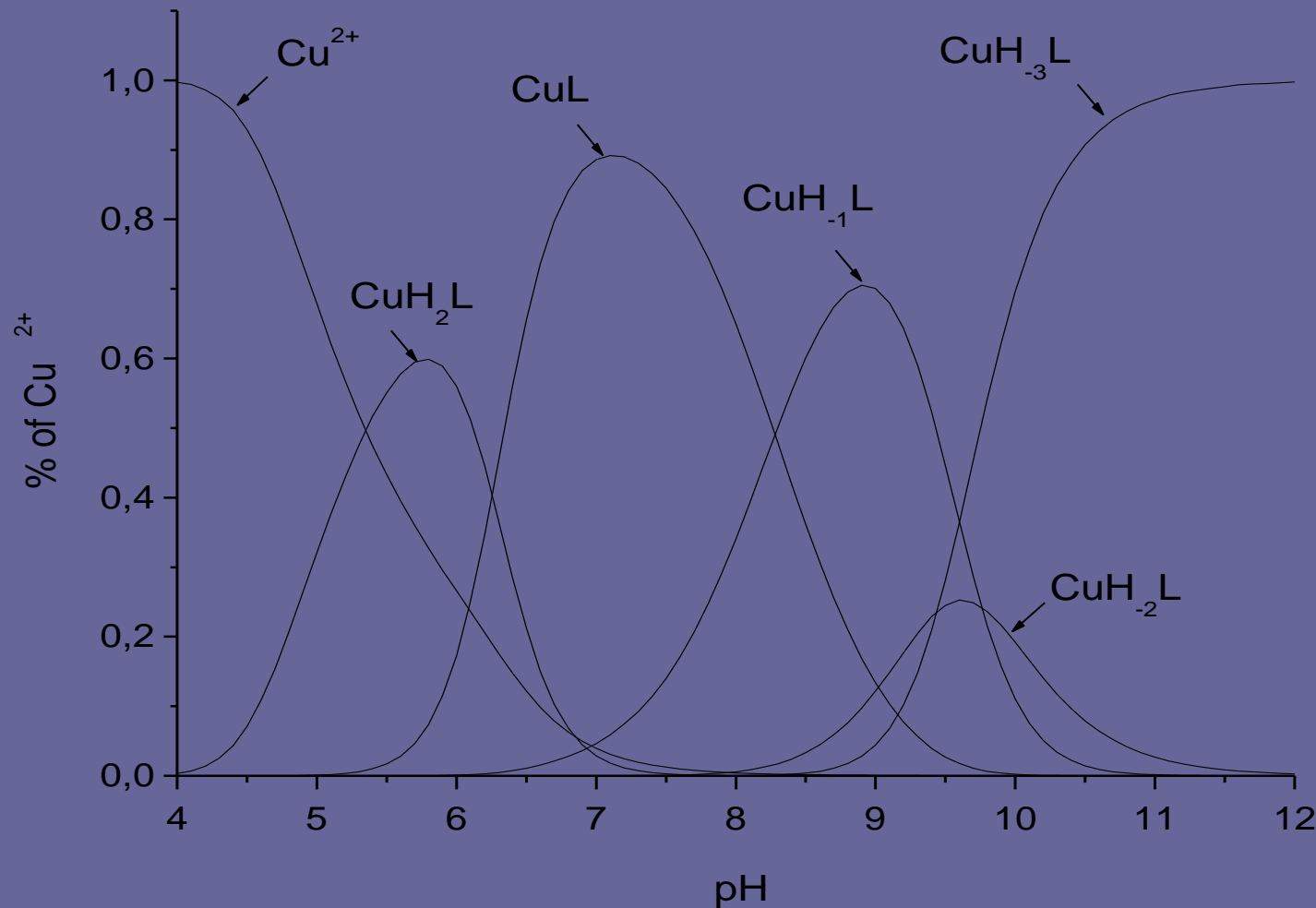
H2B₆₃₋₉₃ : Ac-NSFVNDIFERIAGEASRLAH₂₀YNKRSTITSRE-NH₂

● Free peptide's structure in solution (pH~10)

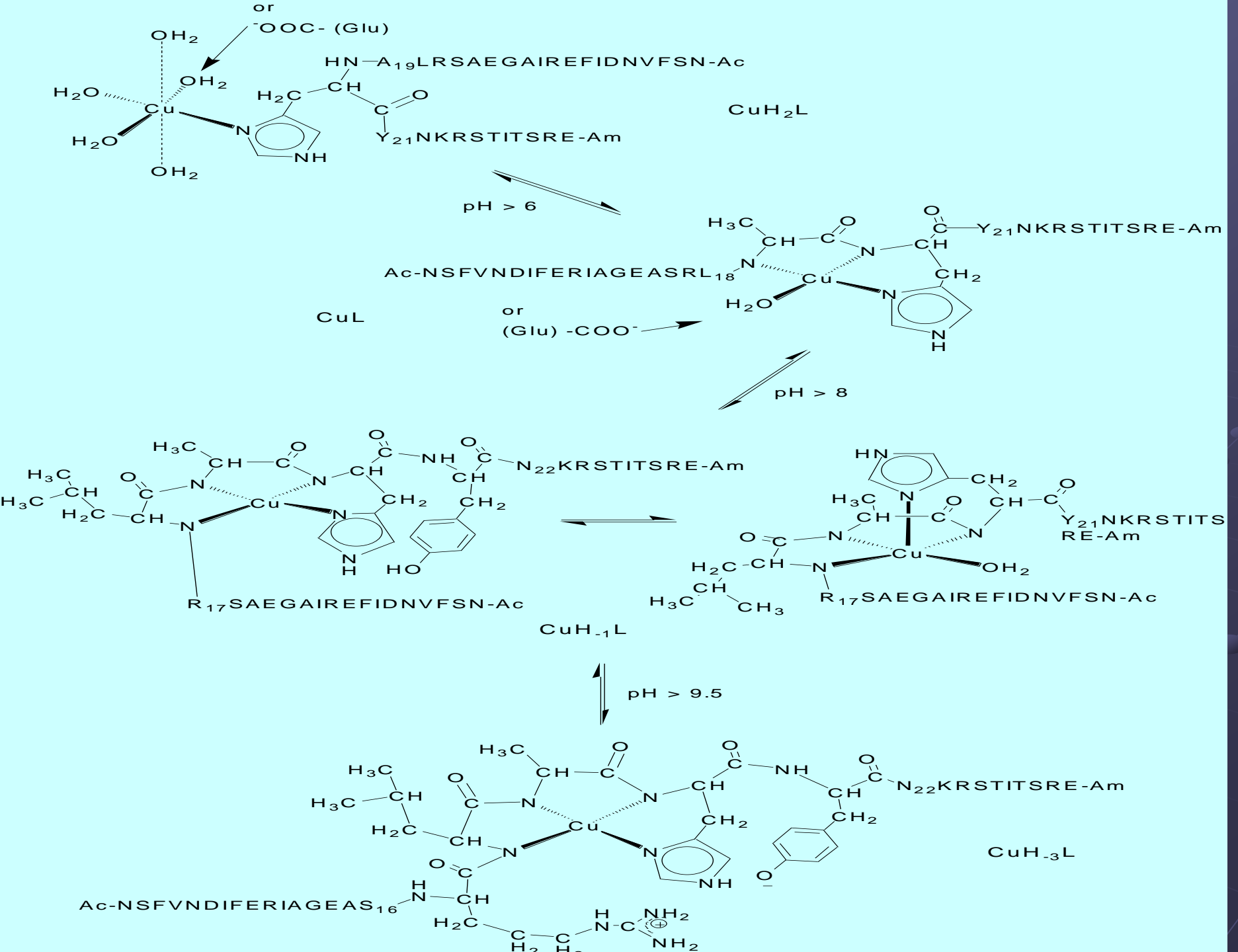


Reliable model of 63-93 residues of H2B histone-fold domain

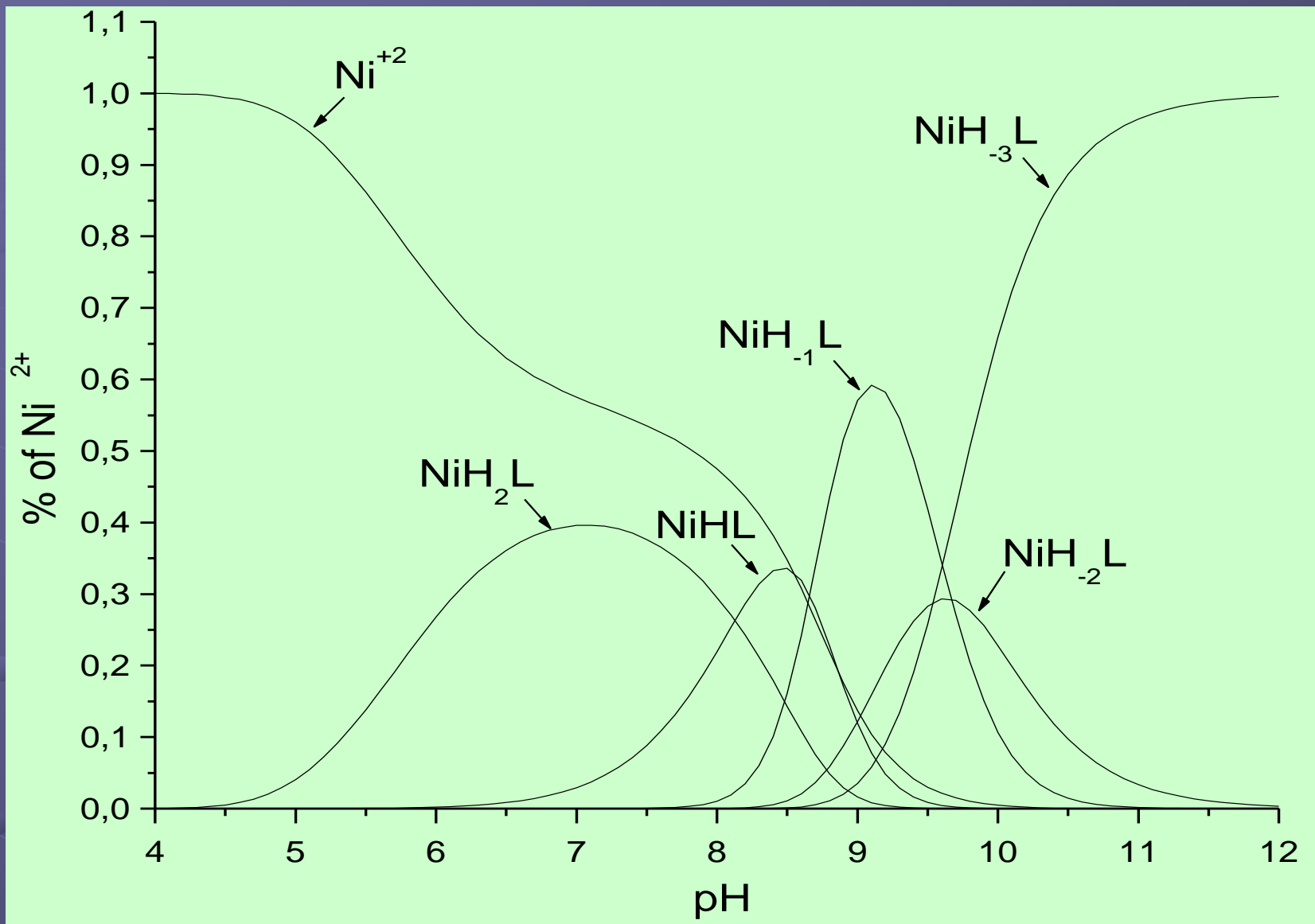
Cu(II) coordination towards H2B₆₃₋₉₃



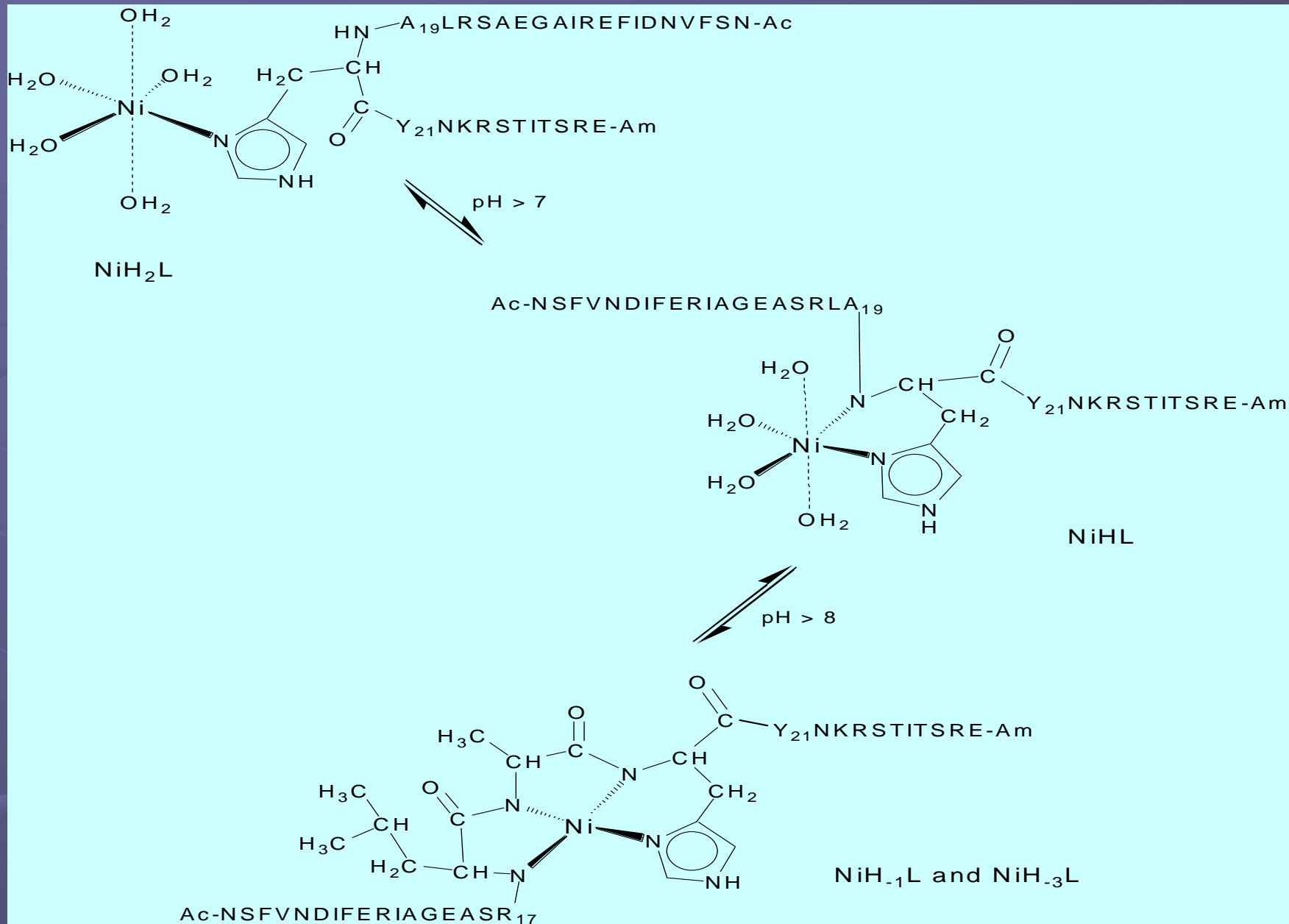
● Free peptide is considered as H_7L



Ni(II) coordination towards H₂B₆₃₋₉₃



Ni(II) coordination towards H₂B₆₃₋₉₃



Ni(II) coordination towards H2B₆₃₋₉₃ NMR studies pH~10

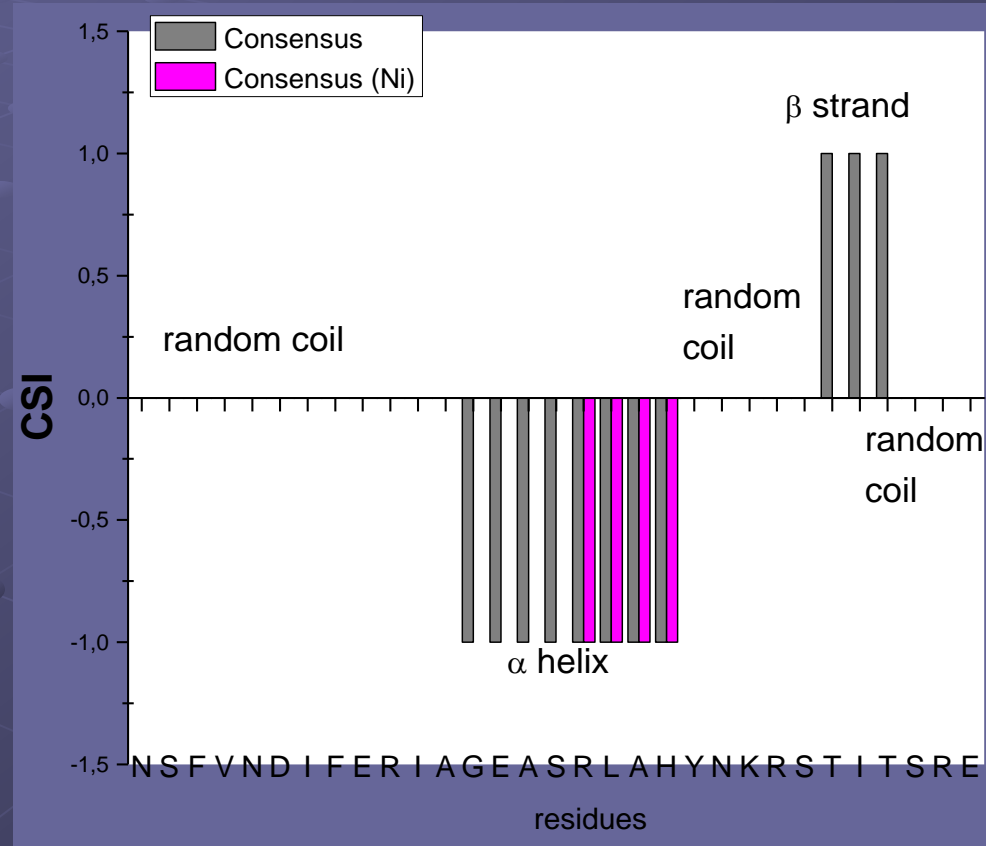
● Structural information

CSI confirms the big conformation change

↳ Transition from a helical and beta conformation from G13-T28 to a α -helix only in R17-L18-A19-H20

↳ Binding site!

Adoption of a unique backbone geometry around the metal!



Ni(II) coordination towards H2B₆₃₋₉₃ NMR studies pH~10

- structure calculation of the 13 amino acid Ni(II)-bound H2B₇₅₋₈₇ (-G₁₃EASRLAH₁₉Y NKRS₂₅-)

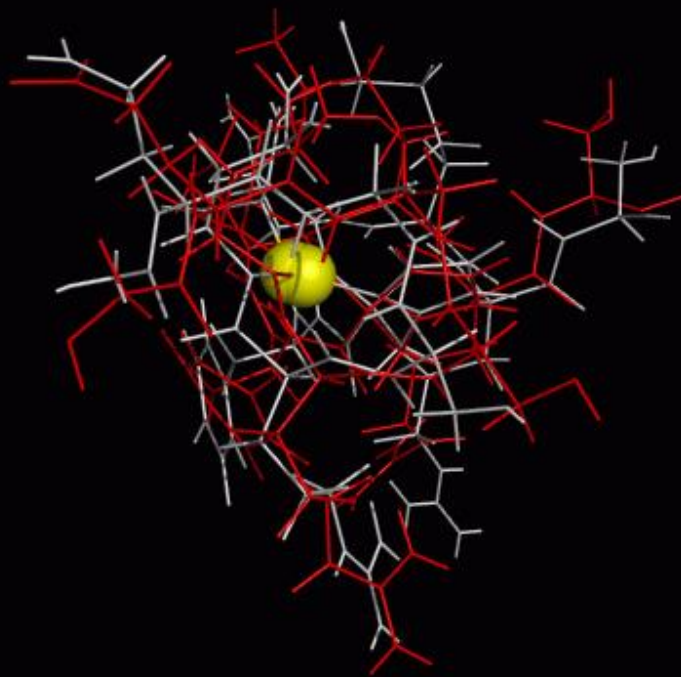
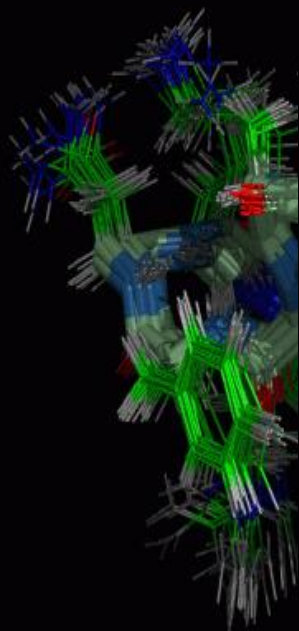
TF = $0.023 \pm 0.009 \text{ \AA}^2$

RMSD (3-11)_{backbone} = 0.10 ± 0.03

RMSD (3-11)_{heavy} = $0.37 \pm 0.08 \text{ \AA}$

Mean structure: E = 3630.09 kcal/mol

Optimized structure: E = 134.66 kcal/mol

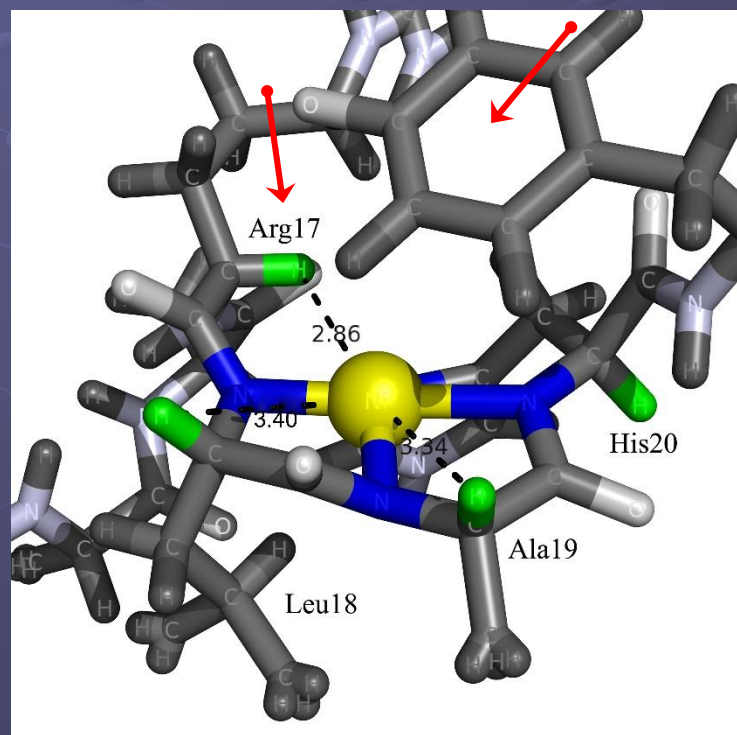


Mean
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Ni(II) coordination towards H2B₆₃₋₉₃ NMR studies pH~10

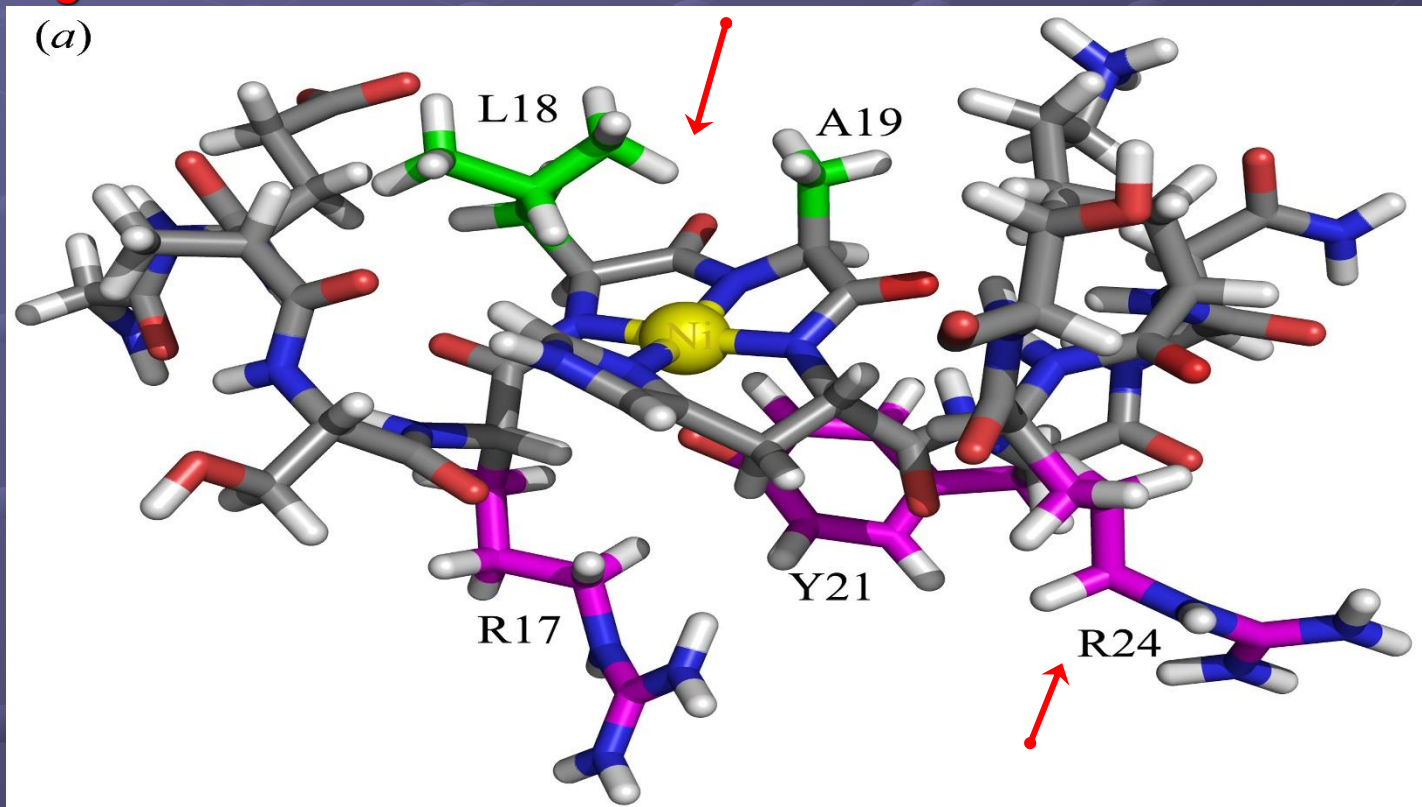
Some interesting features of the structure

1. the location of the Tyr21 aromatic ring near the nickel coordination site indicating a possible interaction of the negative partial charge of the phenolic oxygen with the positive part of the electrostatic potential generated by the nickel complex
2. Close proximity of Arg17 to the metal centre



Ni(II) coordination towards H2B₆₃₋₉₃ NMR studies pH~10

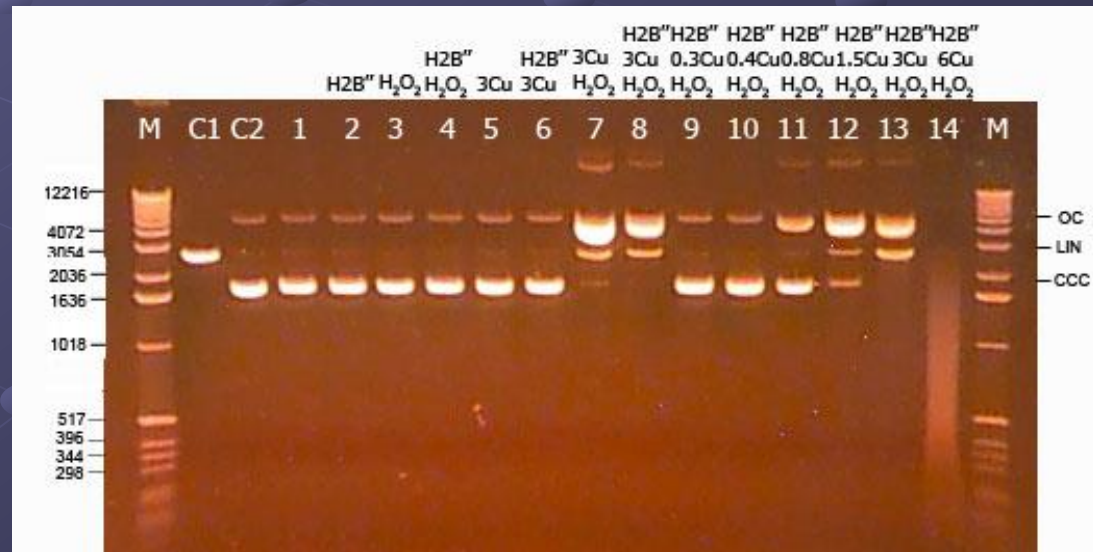
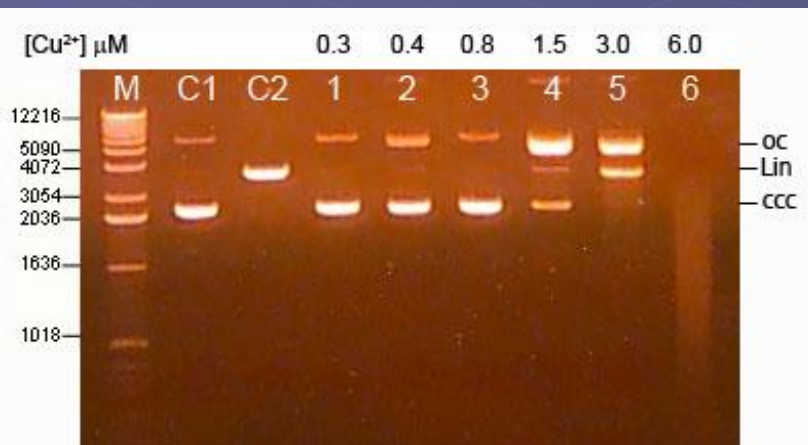
3. the formation of an axial hydrophobic fence (side chains of Leu18 and Ala19, shielding one side of the coordination plane from the bulk of the solution)
4. the arrangement of the Arg24 side chain near the Tyr21 ring in a tilted parallel equatorial position to the coordination plane and to the Arg17 side chain



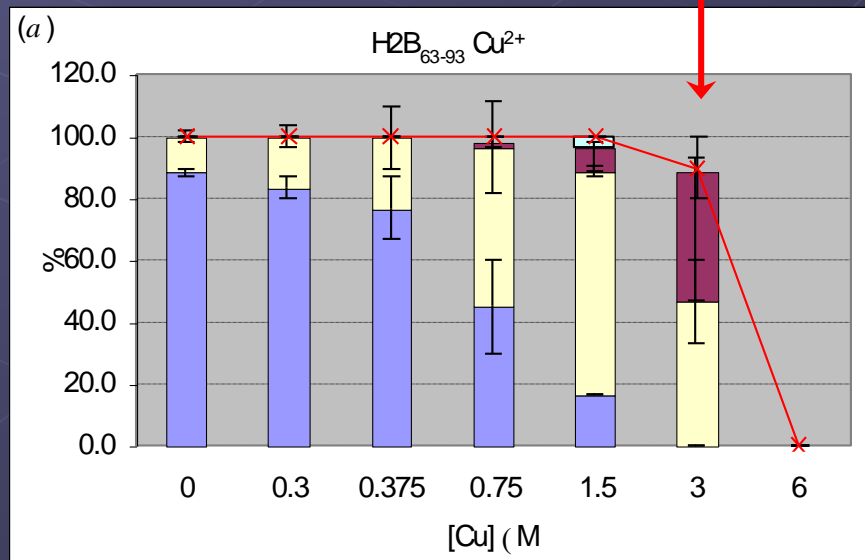
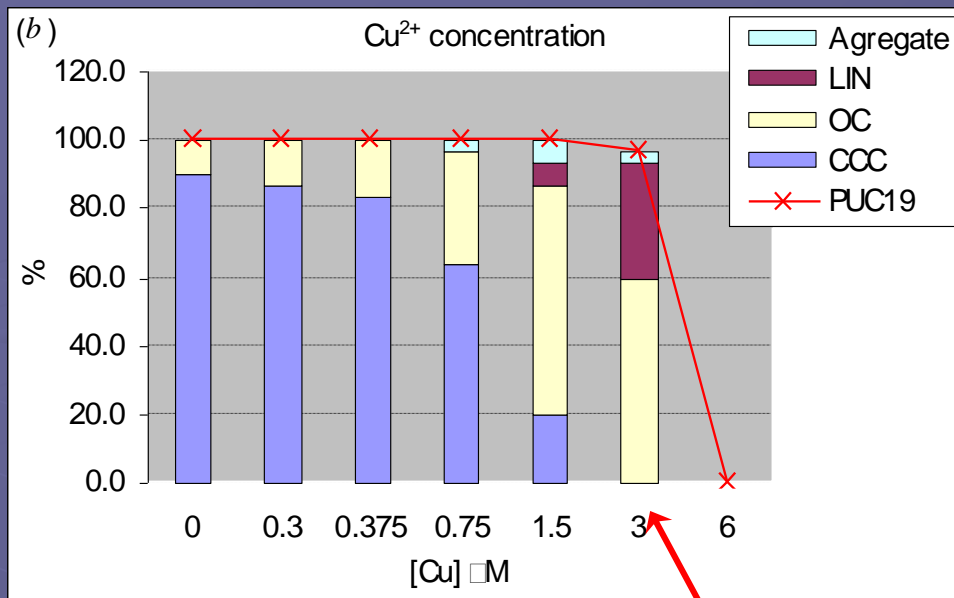
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 histone C-terminal fold domain model -interacts with DNA-

I. Cu(II)/peptide/plasmid pUC19/H₂O₂

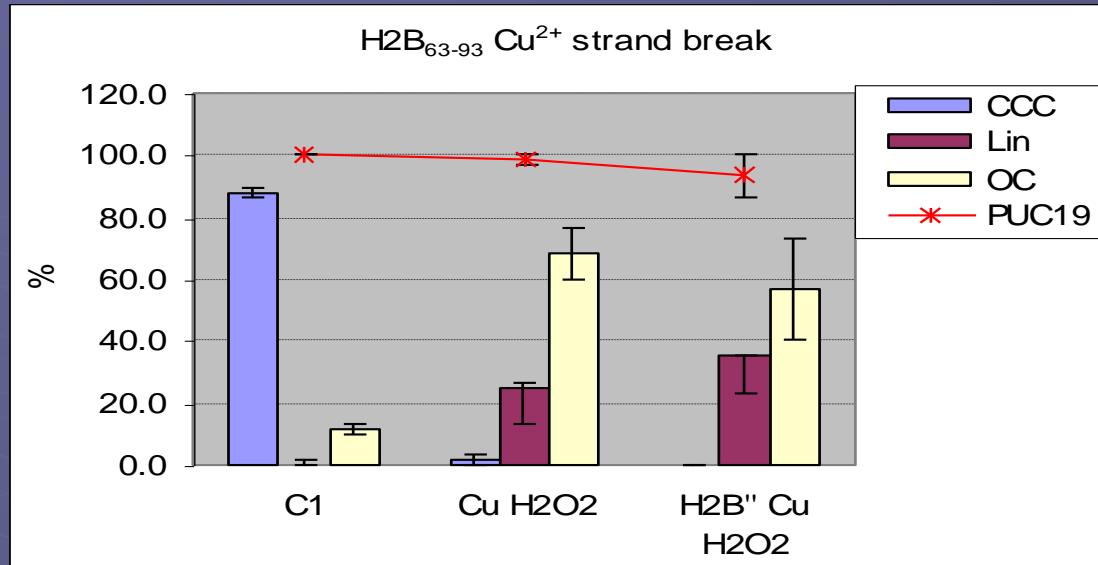


Gels bands quantification results



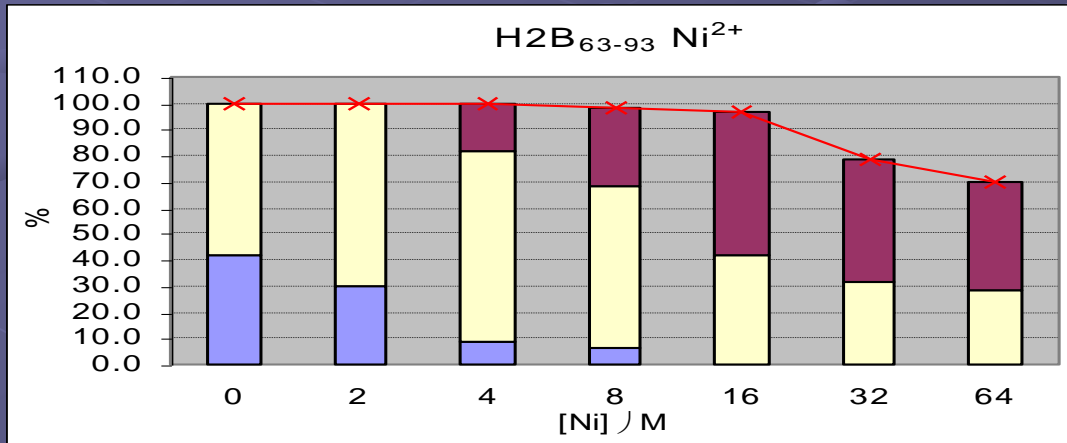
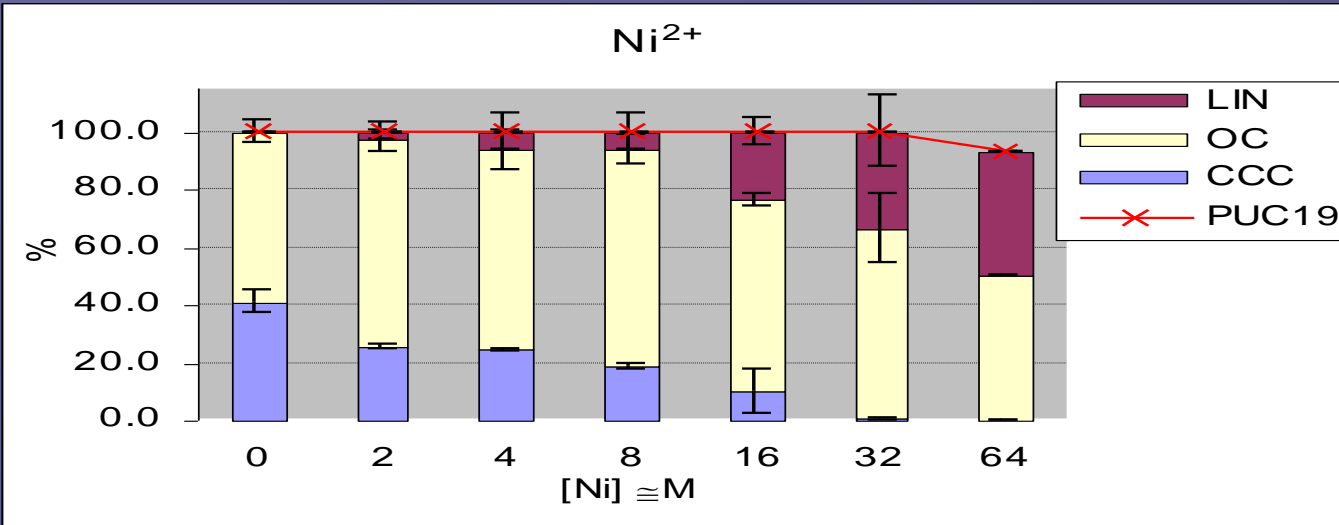
H_2B 3 μM

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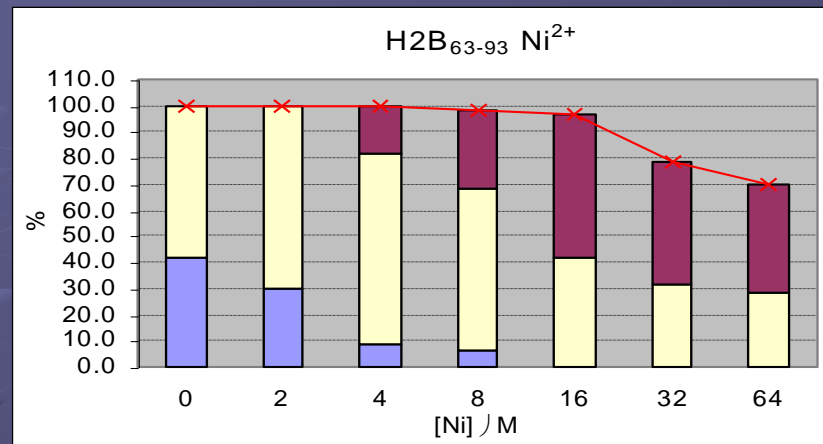
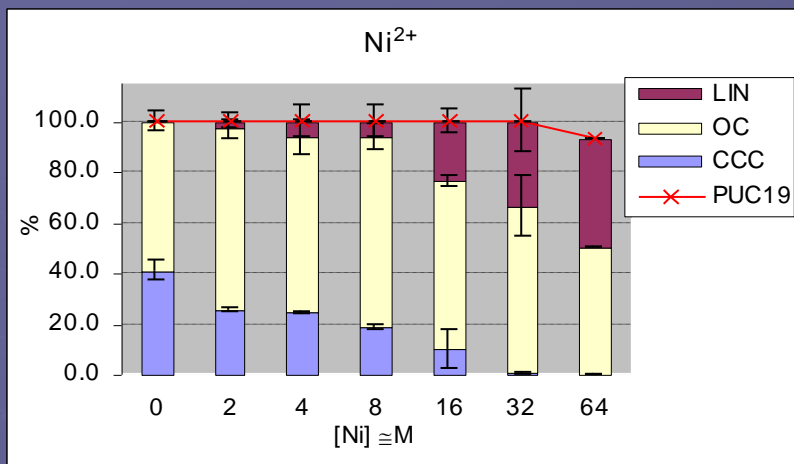
- DNA damage was observed only with Cu(II)/H₂O₂ and Cu(II)/H₂O₂/peptide combination
- The damage extent was more pronounced in the later case especially double strand scission
- neighbouring residues of the binding site (R17, K23 and R24) will in fact interact with the DNA bringing the redox active 3N complex closer to it → site specific generation of ROS → double strand scission

II. Ni(II)/peptide/plasmid pUC19/H₂O₂



enhancement of DNA double strand scission and degradation in the presence of the peptide

Ni(II) concentration effect



- enhancement of DNA double strand scission and degradation in the presence of the peptide

The effectiveness of Ni(II) to induce DNA cleavage in the presence of H₂O₂ was rather surprising since Ni(II) is redox inactive under physiological conditions

Ni(II) is only possible to generate DNA single strand breaks, through the production of ROS in the bulk of the solution

Double strand scission may derive from single strand break in the open circular form of the peptide

supercoiled → open-circular και open-circular → linear

CONCLUSIONS

● A. Coordination properties

1. Cu(II) and Ni(II) ions can form stable complexes with the histone H2B peptides all over the pH range 3.5 – 11
2. At low pH values both ions interact with the imidazole N3 nitrogen atom
3. Very stable Cu(II) 3N complexes {1N_{im}, 2N⁻} are formed at physiological pH values (~7.4)
4. 4N {1N_{im}, 3N⁻} yellow coloured square planar diamagnetic Ni(II) species predominate over pH~8
5. Structural rearrangements upon coordination

CONCLUSIONS

● B. Hydrolytic properties

1. Hydrolytic cleavage was only observed in the case of peptides containing **Ser** or **Thr** residues near the coordination site

● C. Oxidative properties

1. In the presence of both long peptides, enhancement of both single/double DNA strand scission and degradation is observed, more pronounced in the case of Cu(II) ions

CONCLUSIONS

This work strongly supports the fact that histones may be the prime candidates for metal ion binding. Possible metal ion mediated hydrolysis or oxidation of either histones or DNA as indicated in this study could cause cleavage of the nucleosome core and/or DNA mutations leading to cancer.

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