



## **ABCs OF REACTIVE NITROGEN SPECIES AND THEIR SCAVENGETRS**

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## SUNRISE FREE RADICAL SCHOOL

### ABCs of Reactive Nitrogen Species and their Scavengers

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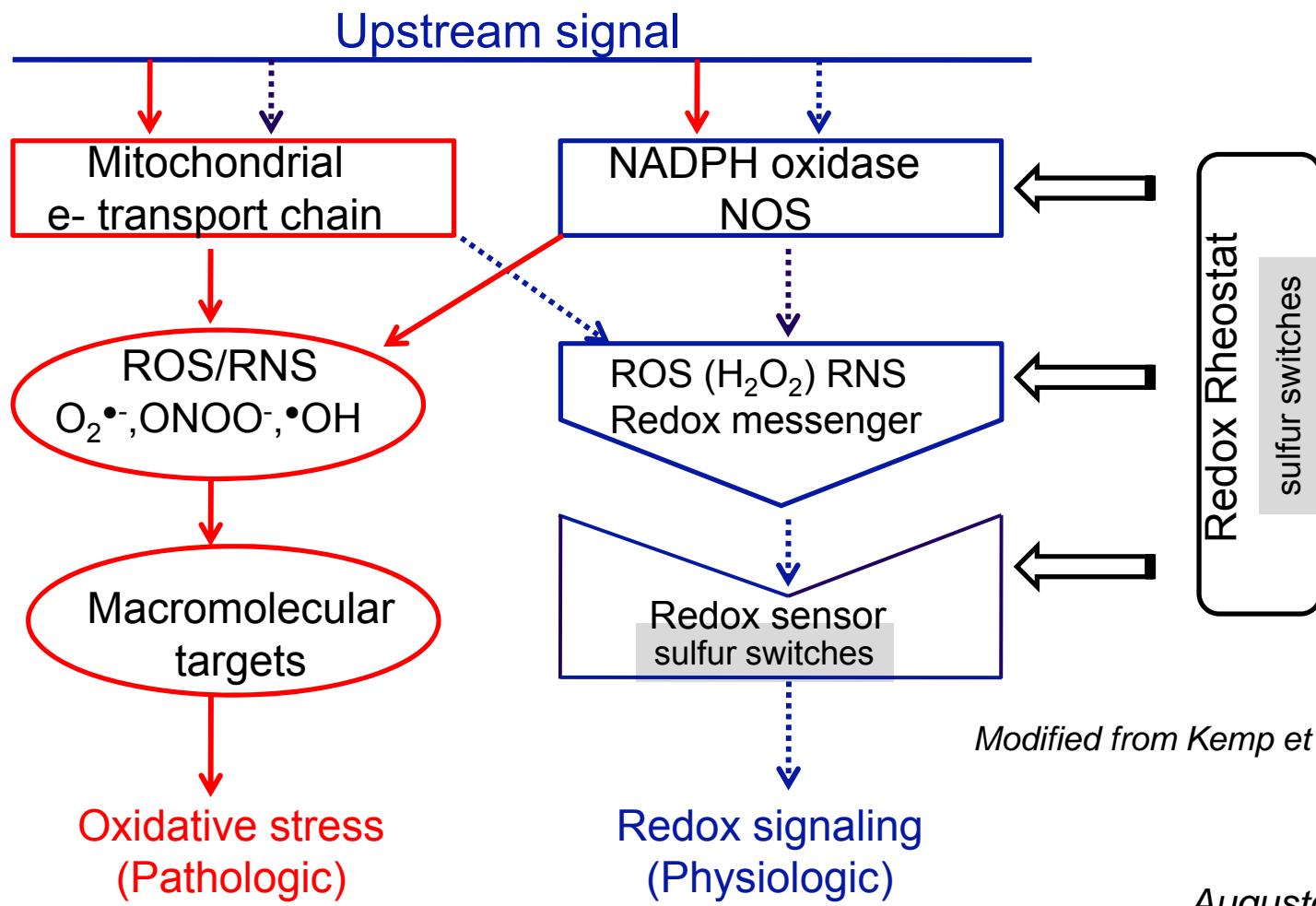


INCT de Processos Redox  
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# PRESENT GOAL OF FREE RADICAL RESEARCH

-enhance our understanding of the mechanisms by which oxidants and radicals can act as mediators of physiological and pathophysiological networks.



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## TIME TO BE MORE SPECIFIC

The terms *ROS* (*reactive oxygen species*) and *antioxidants* are appropriate for describing general classes of compounds but are counterproductive for understanding mechanisms.

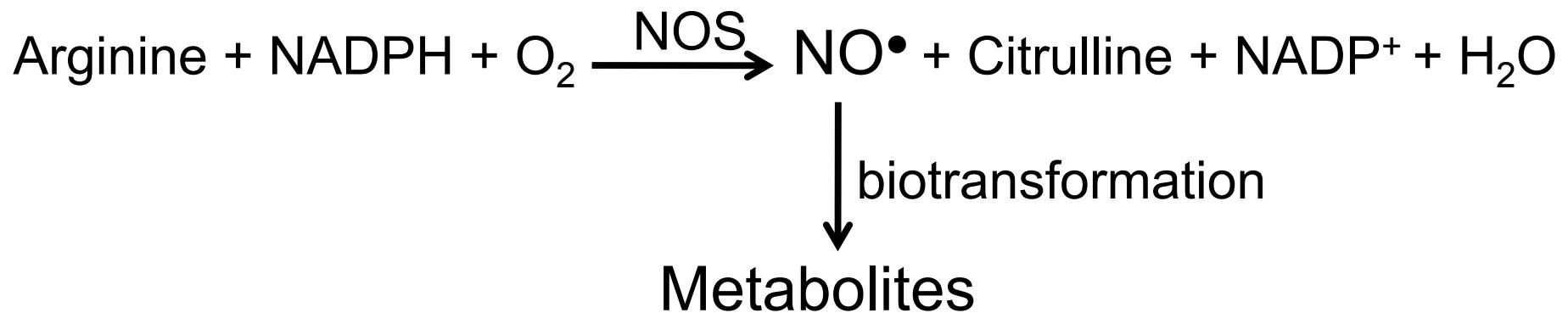
- ROS encompasses the range of oxidants [including *RNS* (*reactive nitrogen species*)] encountered by cells/organisms with little attention to the fact that these species varies widely in reactivity (strong & weak oxidants, one-electron (radicals) & two-electron oxidants non radical species), etc ).
- Compounds classified as *antioxidants* do not all have the same generic action.

*modified from Winterbourn Nature Chem Biol 2008  
Winterbourn& Hampton FRBM 2008*

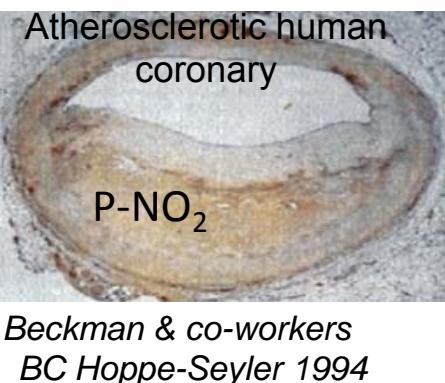
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# RNS & NO<sup>•</sup> METABOLITES

Nitric oxide is a signal transducing radical



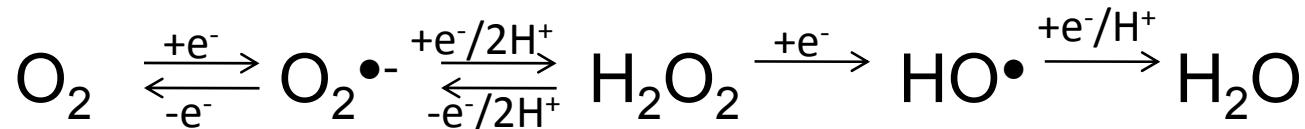
Nitric oxide synthase (NOS): constitutive eNOS (endothelial) and nNOS (neuronal) and inducible (iNOS)



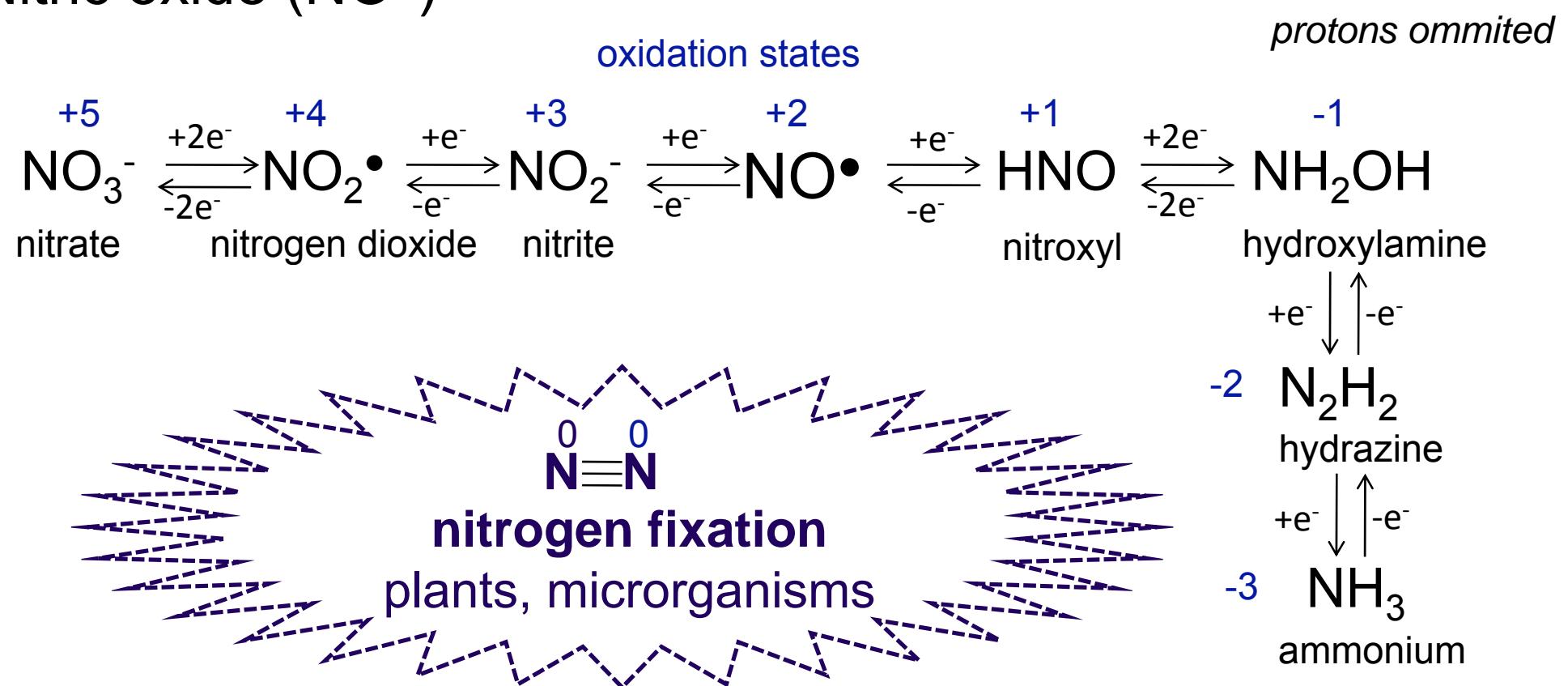
NO<sup>•</sup> metabolites more reactive towards biomolecules than NO<sup>•</sup> could participate in many diseases and became known as: *RNS* (reactive nitrogen species), *nitric oxide-derived oxidants*, *nitric oxide-derived species*.

# REDOX SPECIES

-Molecular oxygen ( $O_2$ )



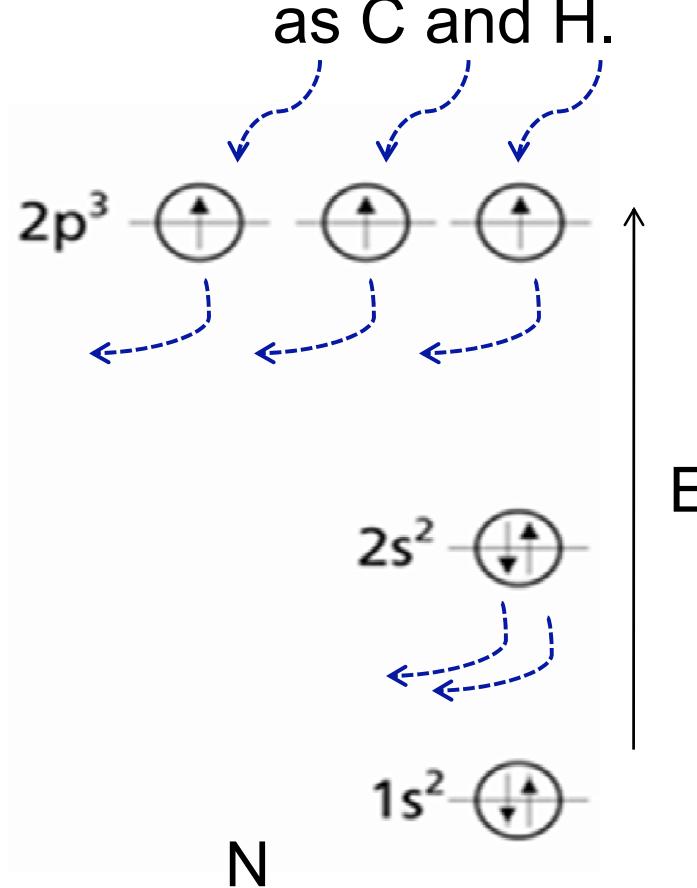
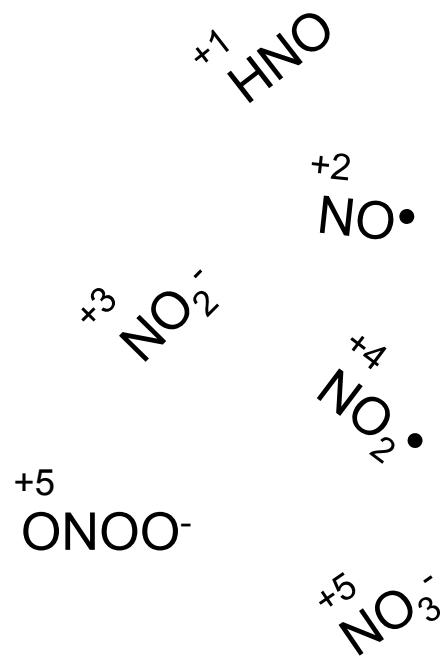
-Nitric oxide ( $NO^{\bullet}$ )



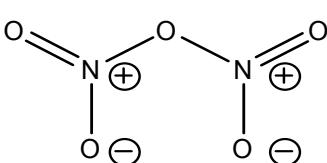
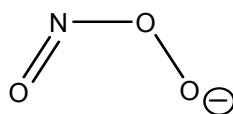
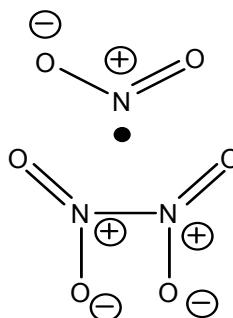
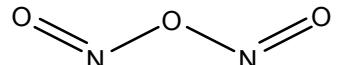
# VERSALITY OF NITROGEN COMPOUNDS

Oxidation states (+5 to -3)

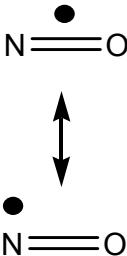
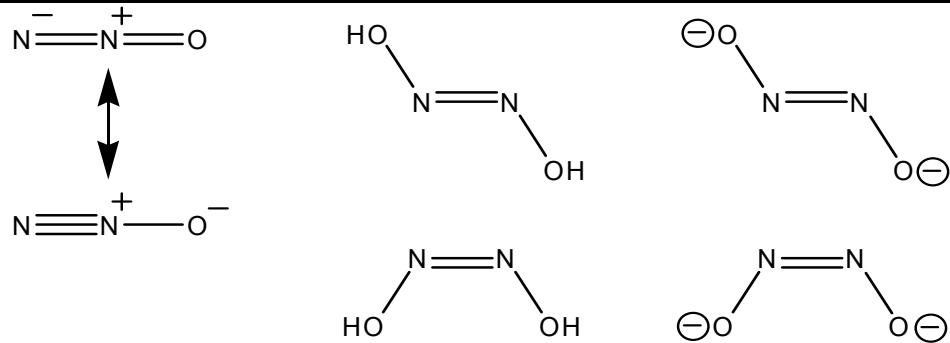
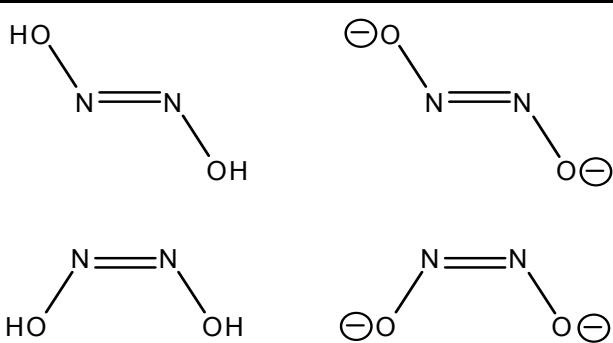
-Nitrogen atom can donate up to 5 e<sup>-</sup> to the electronegative oxygen atom. or gain up to 3 e<sup>-</sup> from more electropositive atoms such as C and H.



## **Summary of the redox properties of nitrogen oxides, acids and ions.**

Oxidation Number	Oxide	Acid	Ions	Names	Redox Properties
+5		HNO <sub>3</sub>	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	nitric anhydride, nitrate	oxidant
+5		ONOOH	ONOO <sup>-</sup>	peroxinitrite	powerful oxidant
+4				nitrogen dioxide nitrogen tetroxide	dismutes in solution
+3		HO-N=O	NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> NO <sup>+</sup>	nitrous anhydride, nitrite Nitrosonium	oxidant and reducer, cannot dismute except in acidic media

## Summary of the redox properties of nitrogen oxides, acids and ions (continued).

Oxidation Number	Oxide	Acid	Ions	Names	Redox Properties
+2	 			nitric oxide or nitrogen monoxide	oxidant and reducer, reacts rapidly with O <sub>2</sub>
+1				nitrous oxide cis and trans hyponitrite	neither oxidant nor reducer does not dismutate
	H—N=O		NO <sup>-</sup>	nitroxyl	

Henry, Guissani, Ducastel "Nitric oxide research from chemistry to biology: EPR spectroscopy of nitrosylated compounds"

# NITROGEN MONOXIDE (NITRIC OXIDE)



2.5 bounds

(3 bonding- 0.5 antibouding orbitals)

-unlikely to dimerize



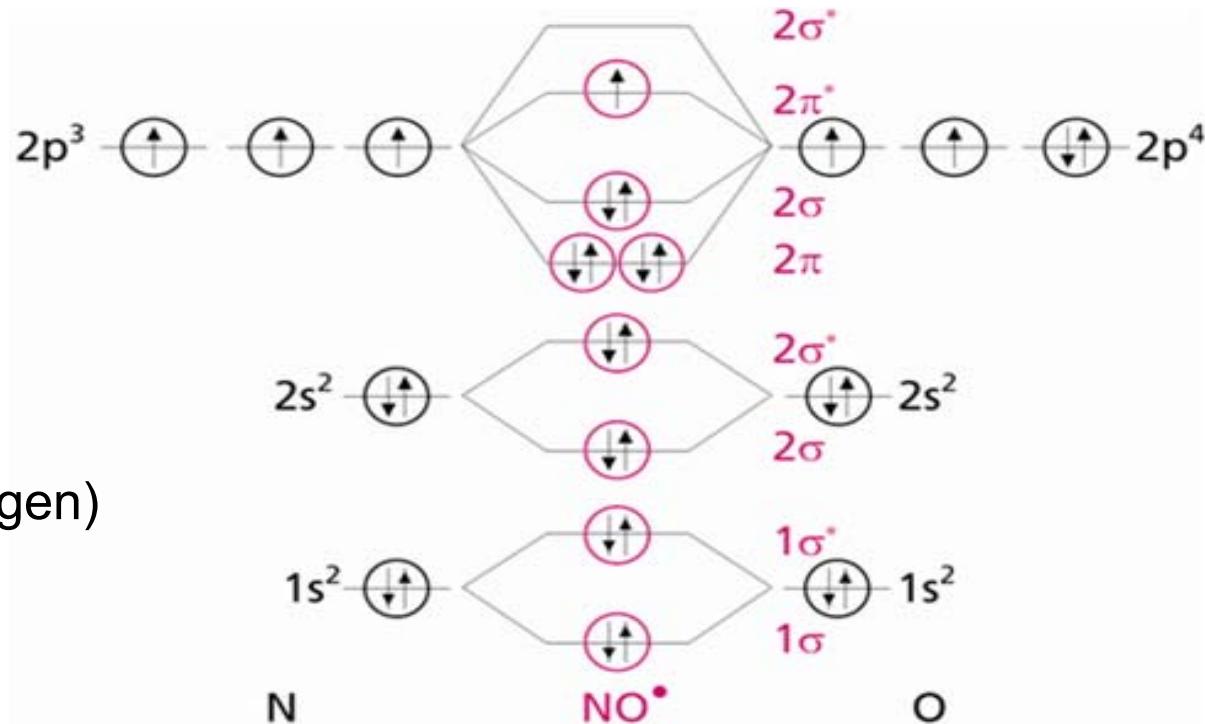
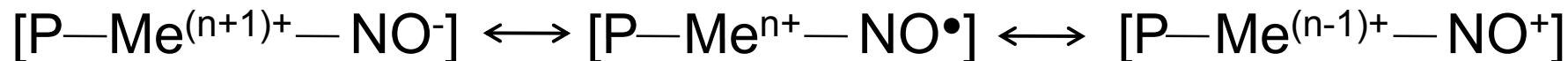
5 bounds      5 bounds

-unlikely to dismutate

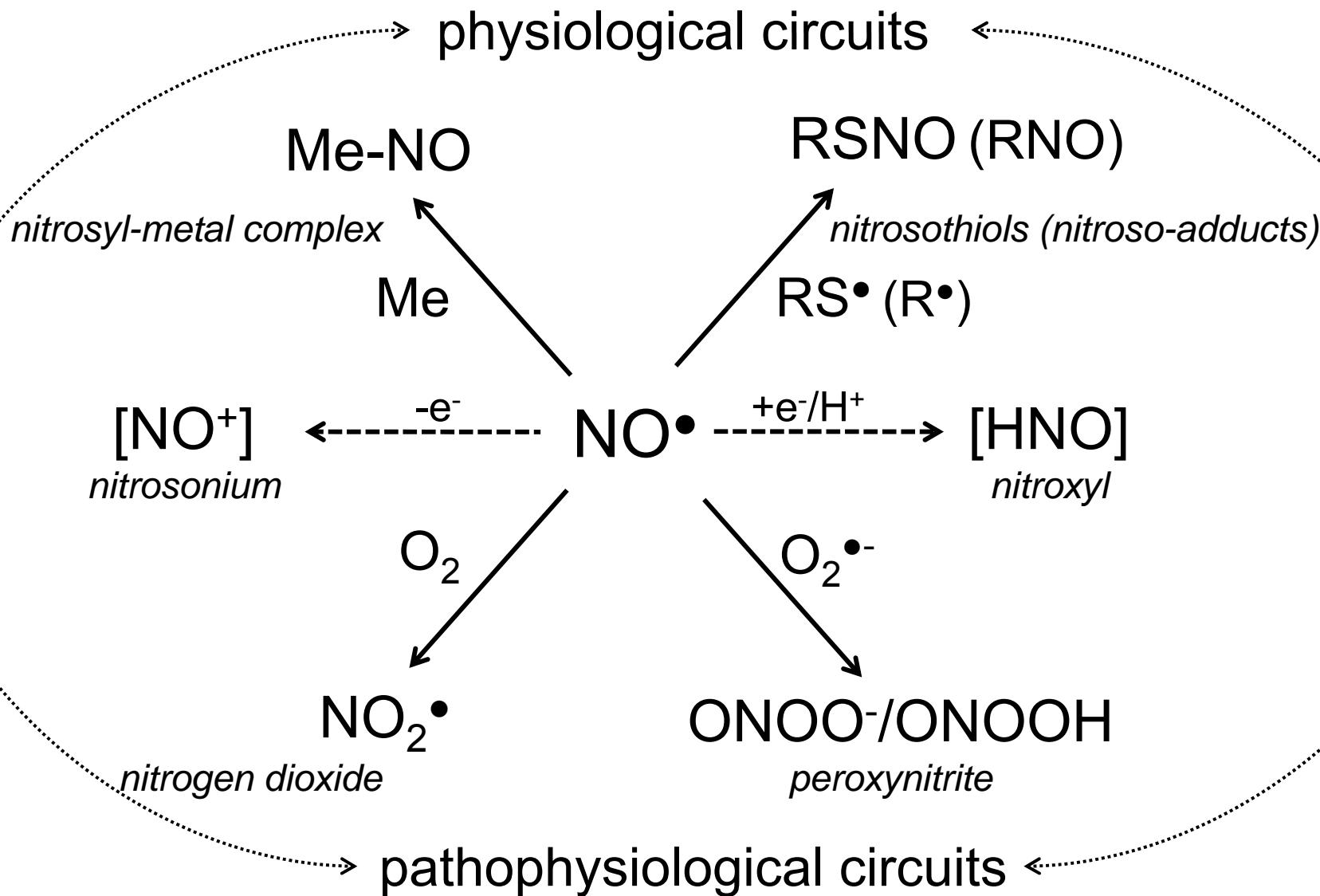


(in contrast with most radicals, such as  $\text{O}_2^{\bullet-}$ , Ascorbyl $^\bullet$ , SQ $^\bullet$ )

-high reactivity towards species with unpaired e $^-$  ( $\text{O}_2$ , radicals,  $\text{Me}^{+\text{n}}$ )



# MOST STUDIED NO<sup>•</sup> REACTIONS AND SPECIES

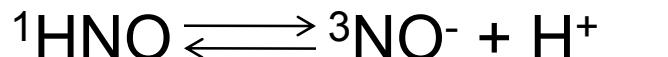


# NITROXYL

HNO- nitroxyl (nitrosyl hydride or hydrogen oxonitrite)

-pharmacological actions: anti-alcoholic drug cyanamide  
cardiovascular actions diverse from NO<sup>•</sup> donors

-pKa~ 11.4

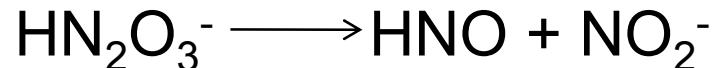


*Shapiro & Lymar PNAS 2002*

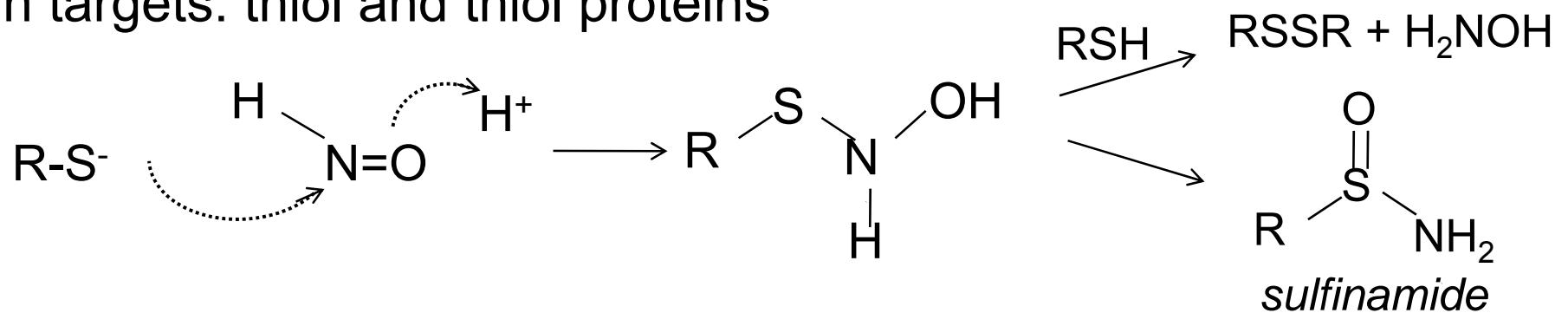
-unstable



-donor (Angeli's anion)



-main targets: thiol and thiol proteins



*Fukuto et al FRBM 2009; Jackson et al FRBM 2009;  
Donzelli et al FRBM 2008; Fukuto et al 2005*

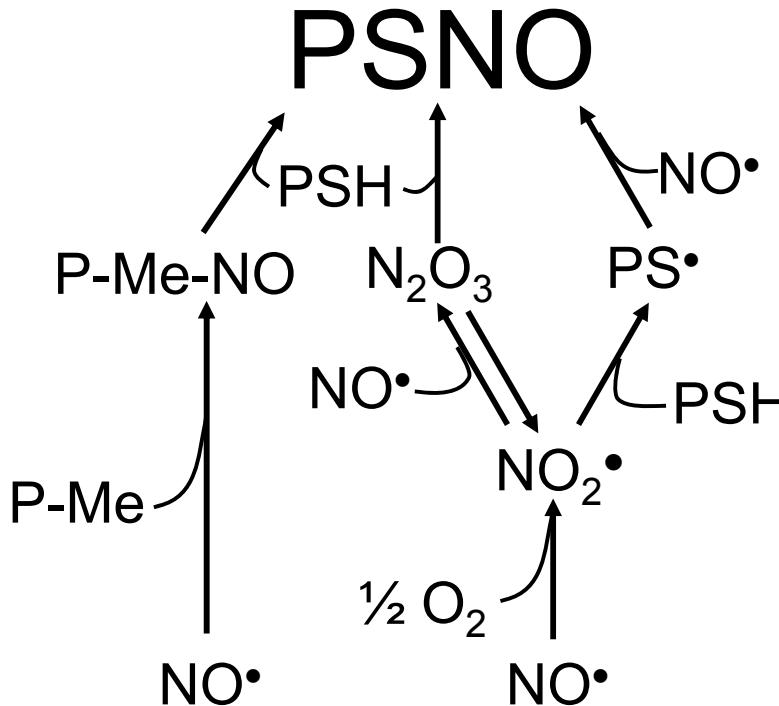
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# PROTEIN-CYSNO FORMATION FROM NO•

Protein S-nitrosation (P-Cys-SNO) -ubiquitous posttranslational modification  
(Stamler & co-workers, others)

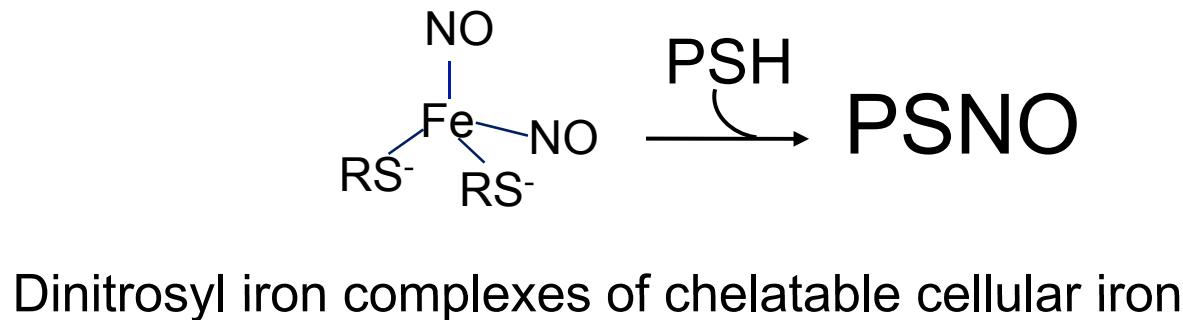
- signaling & cytotoxicity
- in vivo* formation mechanism debatable

Vanin et al, PNAS 2005  
Weischsei et al PNAS 2005

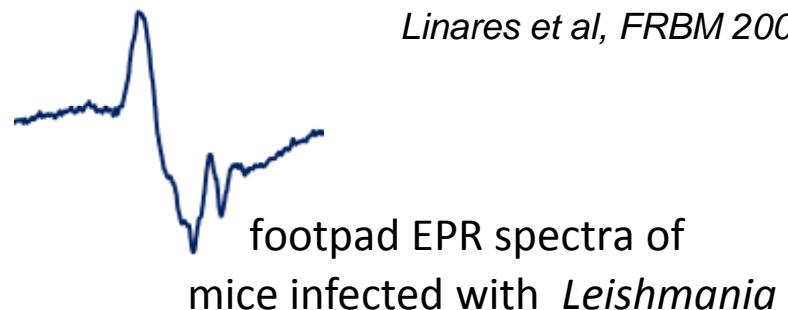


Jourd'heuil et al JBC 2003  
Schrammel et al FRBM 2003  
Fernandes FRBM 2005

Lancaster & coworkers  
PNAS 2009; JBC 2008



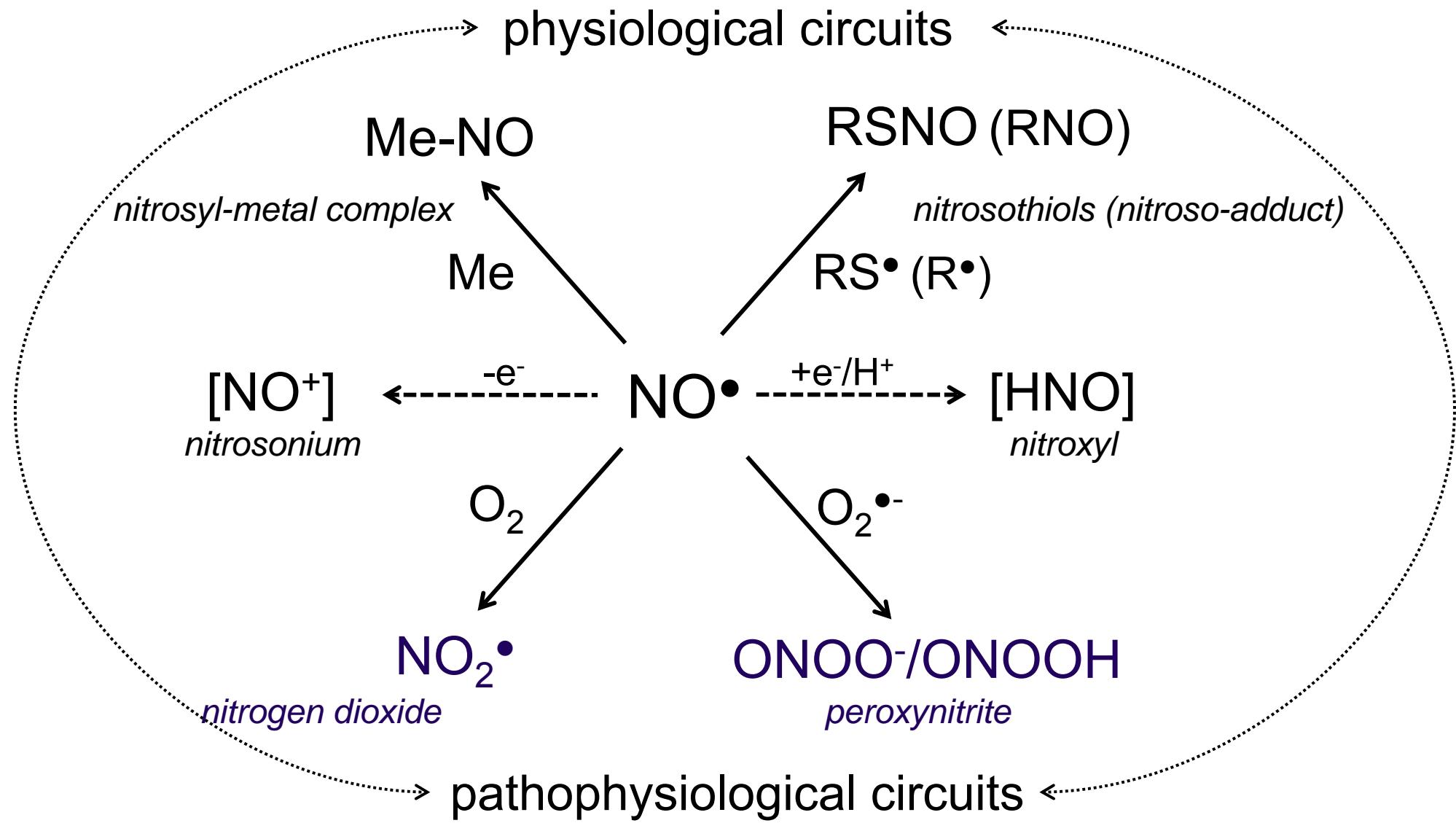
Linares et al, FRBM 2001



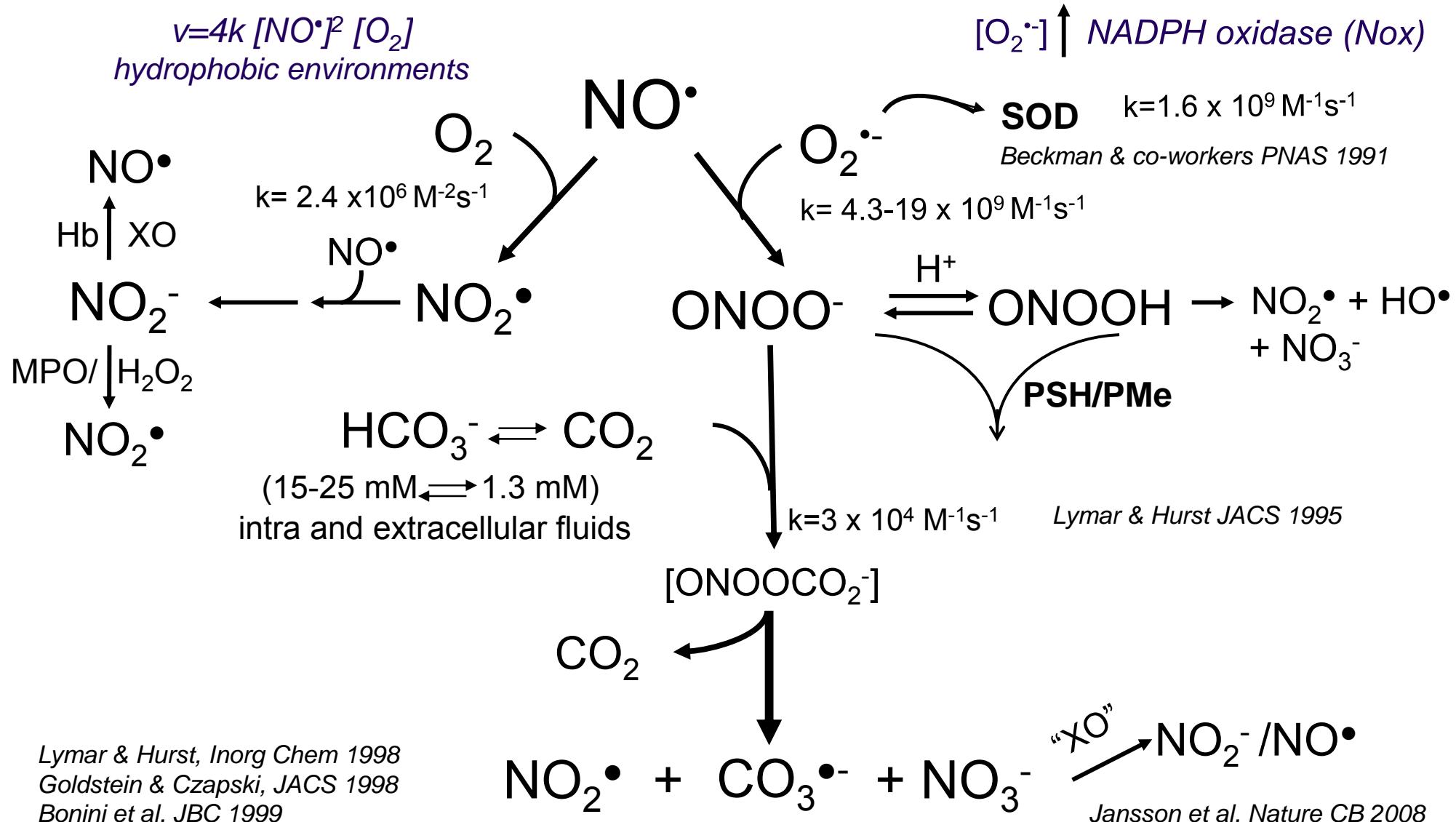
footpad EPR spectra of  
mice infected with *Leishmania*

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# MOST STUDIED NO<sup>•</sup> REACTIONS AND SPECIES



# $\text{NO}_2^\bullet$ & PEROXYNITRITE PRODUCTION FROM $\text{NO}^\bullet$



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# REDUCTION POTENTIAL & REACTION RATES

Species	Reduction potential (E <sub>o'</sub> ) Volts, pH 7.0	Reaction types
NO•	+ 0,39	
ONOO <sup>-</sup> /ONOOH	+ 0,80	
NO <sub>2</sub> •	+ 0,99	
CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>•-</sup>	+ 1,80	
HO•	+ 2,30	

↓  
oxidant power

Me nitrosylation/Me oxidation/ Radical recombination  
oxidation/nitration (via derived radicals)  
oxidation/double bond addition (nitration)  
oxidation  
oxidation/double bound addition (hydroxylation)

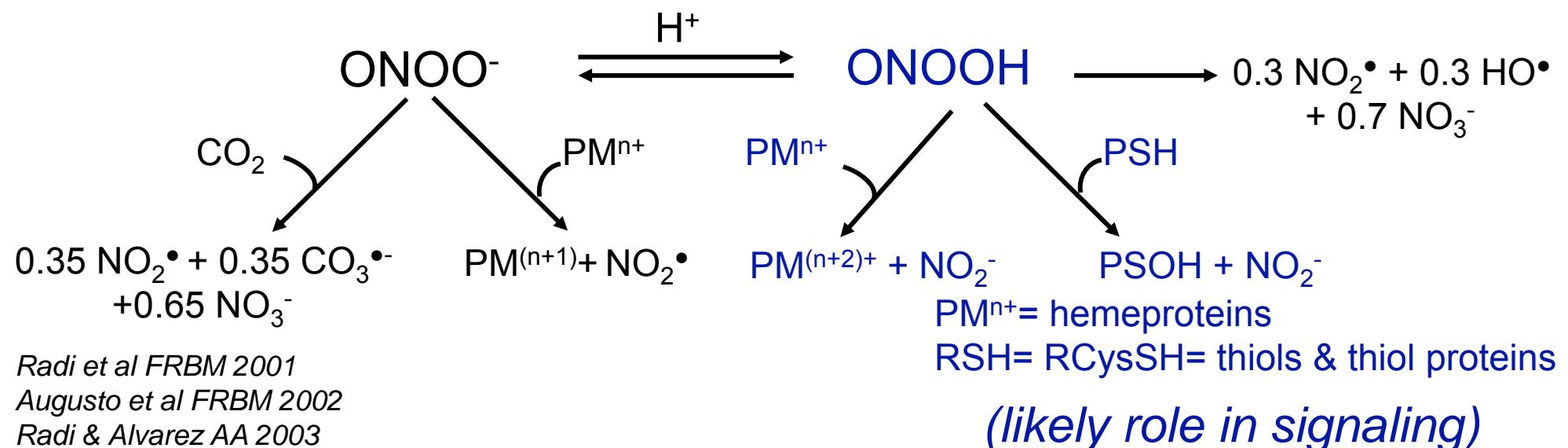
## Second order rate constant of NO<sub>2</sub>•, CO<sub>3</sub><sup>•-</sup> and HO• reactions

Collected in Augusto et al, FRBM 2002

Target	Species	k (M <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
Tyr	NO <sub>2</sub> •	3.2 x 10 <sup>5</sup>
	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>•-</sup>	4.5 x 10 <sup>7</sup>
	HO•	1.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>
Trp	NO <sub>2</sub> •	3.2 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>•-</sup>	7.0 x 10 <sup>8</sup>
	HO•	1.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>
Cys	NO <sub>2</sub> •	5.0 x 10 <sup>7</sup>
	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>•-</sup>	4.6 x 10 <sup>7</sup>
	HO•	1.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>
Urate	NO <sub>2</sub> •	1.8 x 10 <sup>7</sup>
	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>•-</sup>	~ 8.0 x 10 <sup>8</sup>
	HO•	7.2 x 10 <sup>9</sup>

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# PEROXYNITRITE MEDIATES 1 & 2e<sup>-</sup> OXIDATIONS



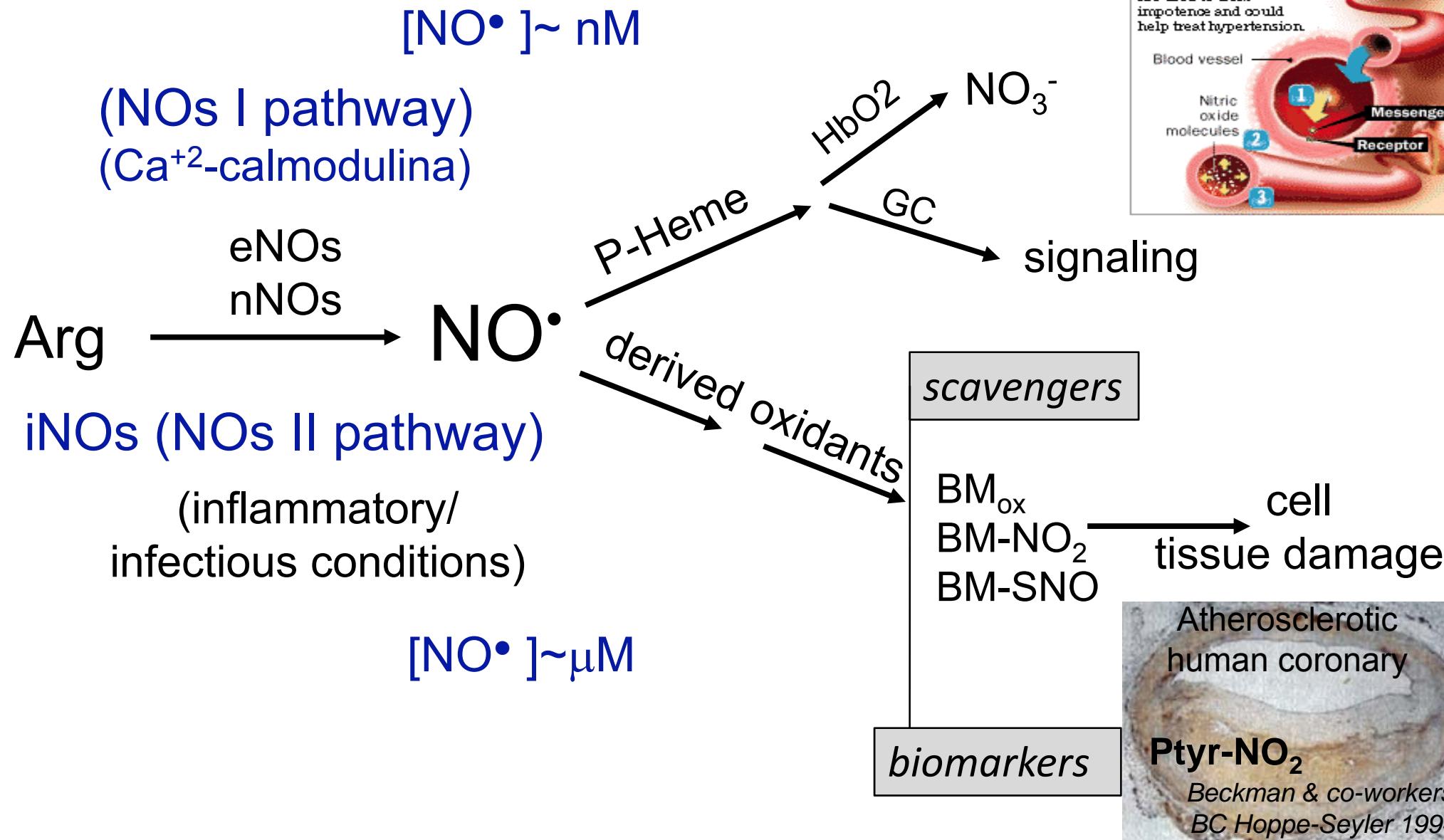
Second order rate constant of peroxynitrite reaction with selected proteins

Target	$k (\text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1})$	Reference
Myeloperoxidase	$6.2 \times 10^6$	Floris et al BJ 1993
Lactoperoxidase	$3.3 \times 10^5$	Floris et al BJ 1993
$\text{HbO}_2$ (monomer)	$1.0 \times 10^4$	Denicola et al PNAS 1998
c-TPx1 ( <i>S. cerevisiae</i> )	$1.0 \times 10^6$	Ogususcu et al FRBM 2007
Human Prx5	$7.0 \times 10^7^*$ $1.2 \times 10^8^{**}$	Dubuisson et al FEBS 2004 Trujillo et al ABB 2007

\* pH 7.8 ; \*\* pH 7.4

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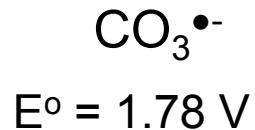
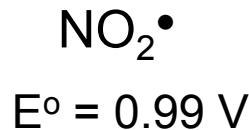
# SIMPLIFIED VIEW OF NO<sup>•</sup> PHYSIOLOGY & PATHOPHYSIOLOGY



# SCAVENGERS OF “INFLAMMATORY” OXIDANTS

- Protein-Tyr $\text{NO}_2$  levels inversely correlate with inflammatory injury
- Nitrated proteins and nitrated lipids consistently detected in animal models and human patients reveals  $\text{NO}_2^\bullet$  production

Typical reactions:

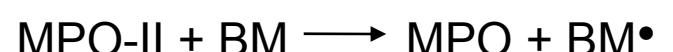
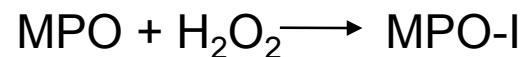


Myeloperoxidase (MPO)

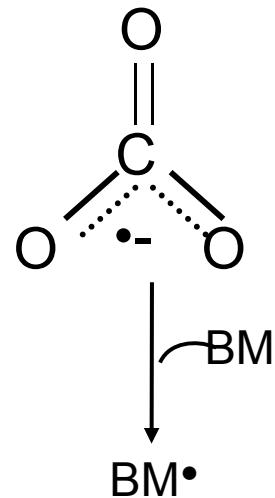
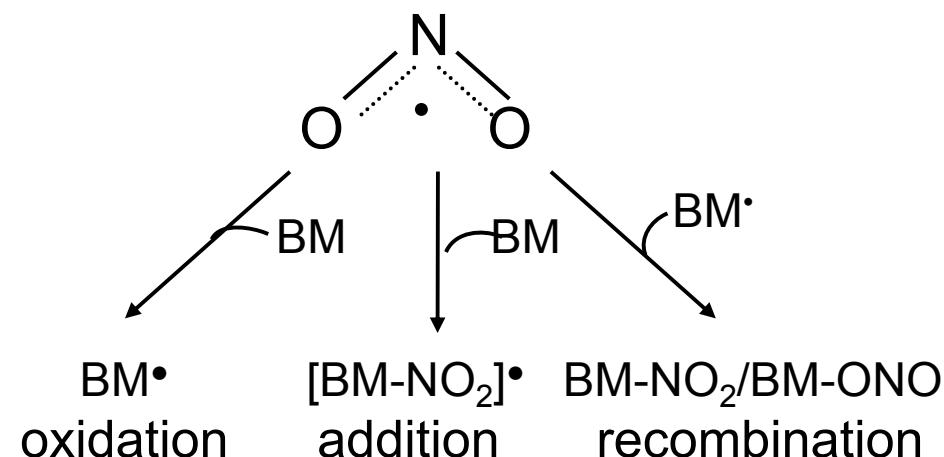
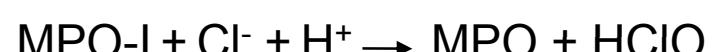
$E^\circ = 1.35 \text{ V}$  MPO-I

$0.97 \text{ V}$  MPO-II

peroxidase cycle



chlorinating cycle



Augusto et al FRBM 2002

Radi PNAS 2004

Davies et al ARS 2008

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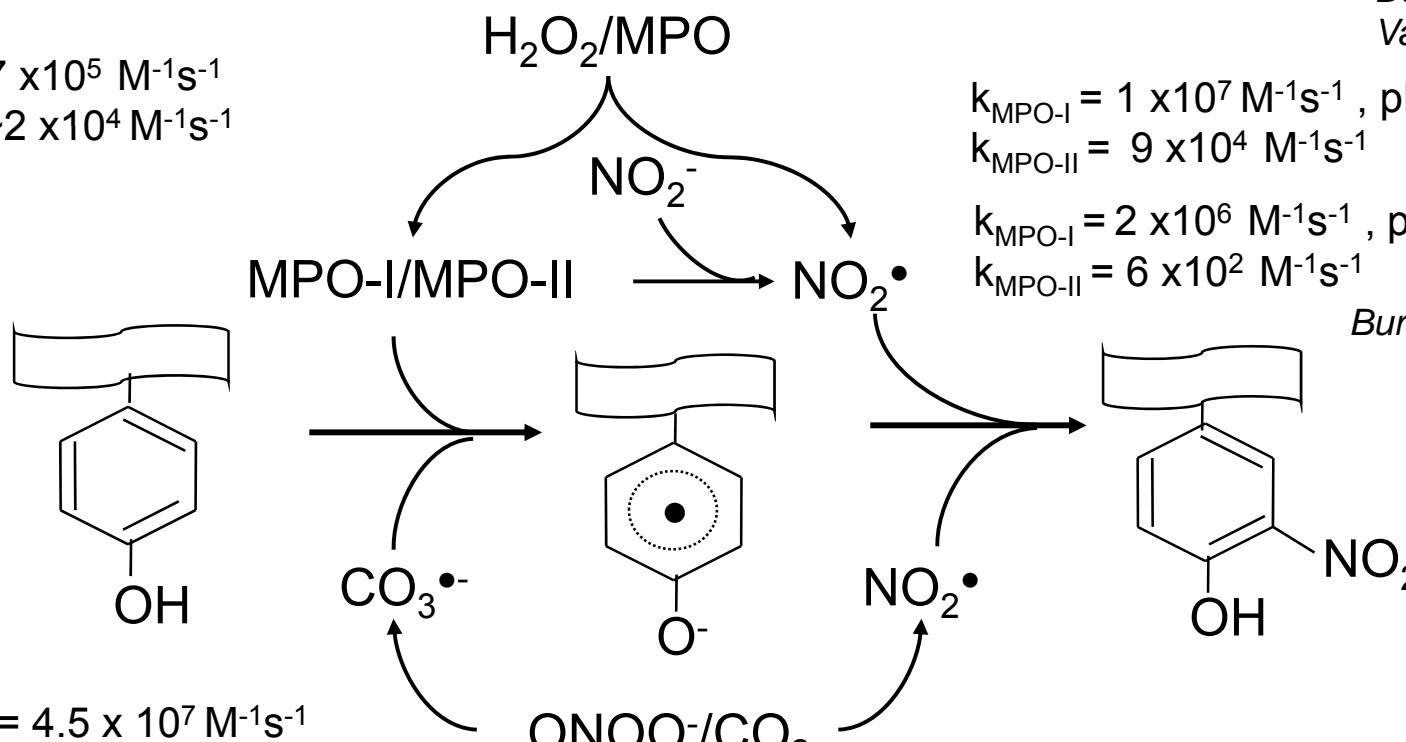
# PROTEIN-TYRNO<sub>2</sub> PRODUCERS



*Augusto et al FRBM 2002  
 Radi PNAS 2004  
 Davies et al ARS 2008  
 Vaz & Augusto ABB 2009*

$$k_{\text{MPO-I}} \sim 7 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$k_{\text{MPO-II}} \sim 2 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$



$$k_{\text{CO}_3^{\bullet-}} = 4.5 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$k_{\text{NO}_2^\bullet} = 3.2 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$k = 2.6 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}, \text{ pH 7.4}$$

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$$k_{\text{MPO-I}} = 1 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}, \text{ pH 5.0, } 15^\circ\text{C}$$

$$k_{\text{MPO-II}} = 9 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

$$k_{\text{MPO-I}} = 2 \times 10^6 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}, \text{ pH 7.4, } 15^\circ\text{C}$$

$$k_{\text{MPO-II}} = 6 \times 10^2 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$$

*Burner et al JBC 2000*

# PROTECTION AGAINST INFLAMMATORY TISSUE INJURY

-The protective effects of tempol and urate in animal models of inflammation can be partially due to their reactions with  $\text{NO}_2^\bullet$  and  $\text{CO}_3^{\bullet-}$

Augusto et al FRBM 2002

-Urate was considered a potent peroxynitrite scavenger but their reaction rate was too low

	$k (\text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1})$
Urate + peroxynitrite	$5.1 \times 10^2$
+ $\text{NO}_2^\bullet$	$1.8 \times 10^7$
+ $\text{CO}_3^{\bullet-}$	$\sim 8.0 \times 10^8$
+ MPO I	<u><math>3.7 \times 10^5</math></u>

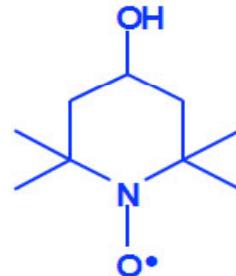
(Kettle & co-workers 2009)

-Clinical trials with inosine (precursor of uric acid) in multiple sclerosis are in progress

Gonsette JNS 2008

-The stable free radical tempol ( $\text{TPNO}^\bullet$ ) had been extensively studied but its reactions with most oxidants present in inflammatory settings were unknown

TPNO $^\bullet$



Mitchell, Samuni, Krishna & co-workers several studies  
Cuzzocrea, Thiemermann & co-workers several studies

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# TEMPOL & PROTECTION AGAINST INFLAMMATORY INJURY

-Selected rate constants:

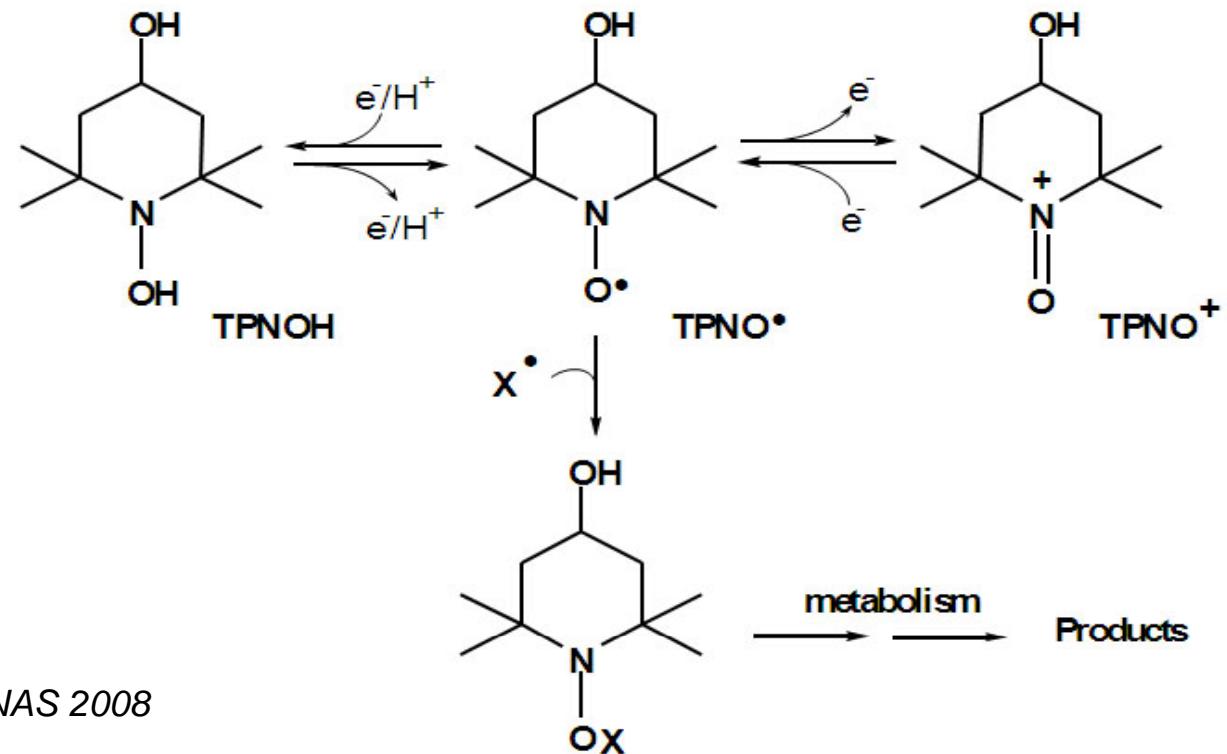
Goldstein & co-workers  
JACS 2003a,b; CRT 200; JPC 2006

	$k \text{ (M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}\text{)}$
TPNO $^{\bullet}$ + NO $_2^{\bullet}$	$8.7 \times 10^8$
+ CO $_3^{\bullet-}$	$4.0 \times 10^8$
+ MPO I	$\sim 1.0 \times 10^6$

(Vaz & Augusto PNAS 2008)

-Mechanistic studies in test tubes, cells, animals

-multifunctional antioxidant:  
after several oxidation/reduction  
cycles is consumed by  
recombination reactions with thiyl  
(RS $^{\bullet}$ ) and tyrosyl (Tyr $^{\bullet}$ ) radicals  
(X $^{\bullet}$ ) among others.



Recent review Augusto & co-workers AABC 2008

Borisenko et al JACS 2004; JBC 2004

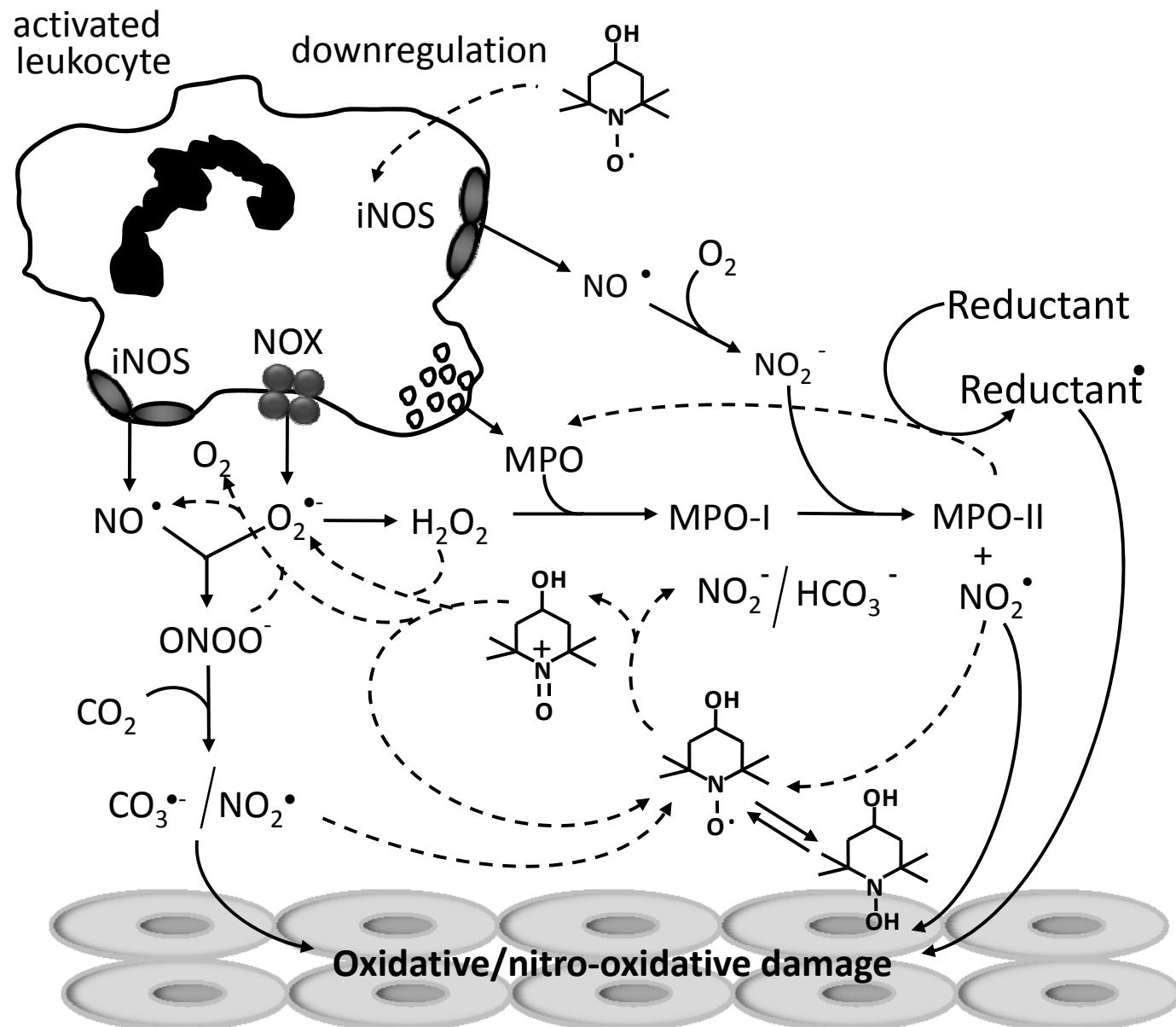
Augusto & co-workers FRBM 2005; FRBM 2008; PNAS 2008

Goldstein et al JPC 2008

Lam et al CRT 2008

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