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Slide 10 from Nov. 30th lecture

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Glyoxalate pathway can (not in humans though)

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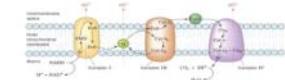
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 - Iron is used because it has multiple oxidation states Fe^{2+} and Fe^{3+}
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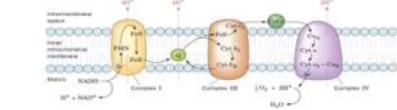
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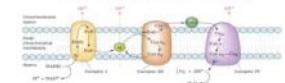
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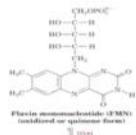


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Figure 22-17a

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- Looks a bit like FAD
- Different because FAD has AMP group connected to phosphate group while FMN doesn't have this

Figure 22-17a
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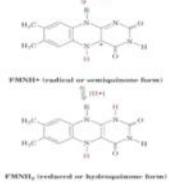


Figure 22-17b
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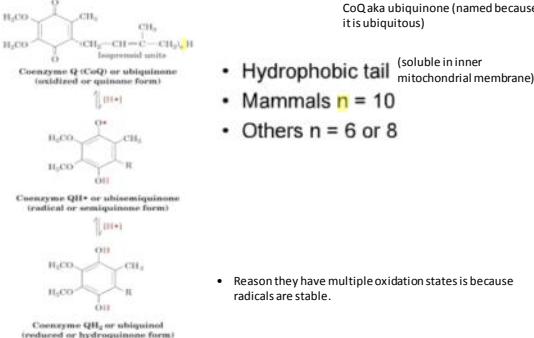


Figure 22-17b
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- Hydrophobic tail
- Mammals $n = 10$
- Others $n = 6$ or 8

Complex II (Succinate-Coenzyme Q Reductase)

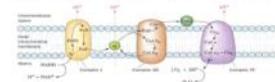
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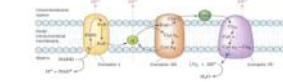
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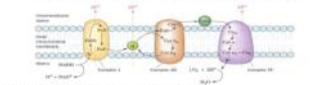
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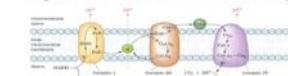
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 - Thought that there is a method that protons bound to coenzyme Q are the ones that get through mitochondrial membrane and are pumped into inner membrane space
 - Proton pump mechanism
 - Protons go through complex III itself. Somehow complex III changes shape and protons pump through complex III itself
 - Just know that protons are somehow transferred into inner membrane space.
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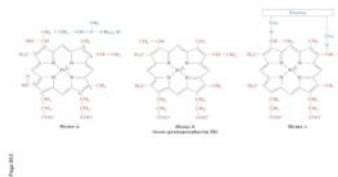


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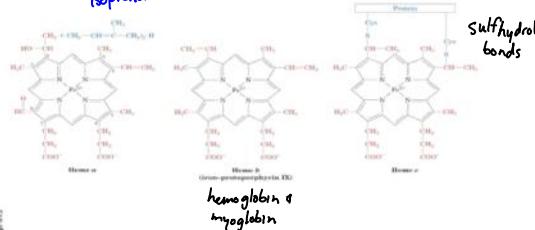
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Cytochromes a, b, c get their names from the porphyrin rings they have

(3 isoprenoids = farnesol)

isoprenoid



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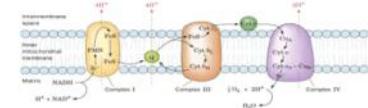
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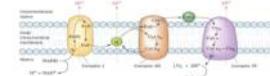
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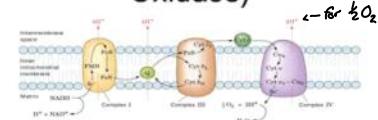
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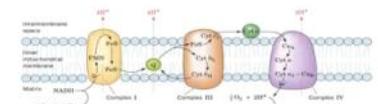
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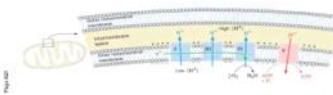
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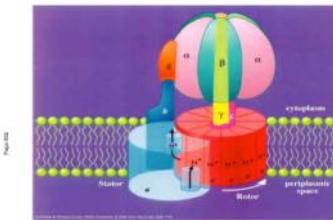
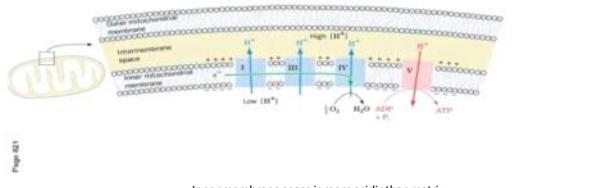


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- Inner membrane space is more acidic than matrix
- Electrochemical gradient (more positive charge in inner membrane space than matrix)

Figure 22-43 Model of the *E. coli* F_1F_0 -ATPase, Complex 5

