



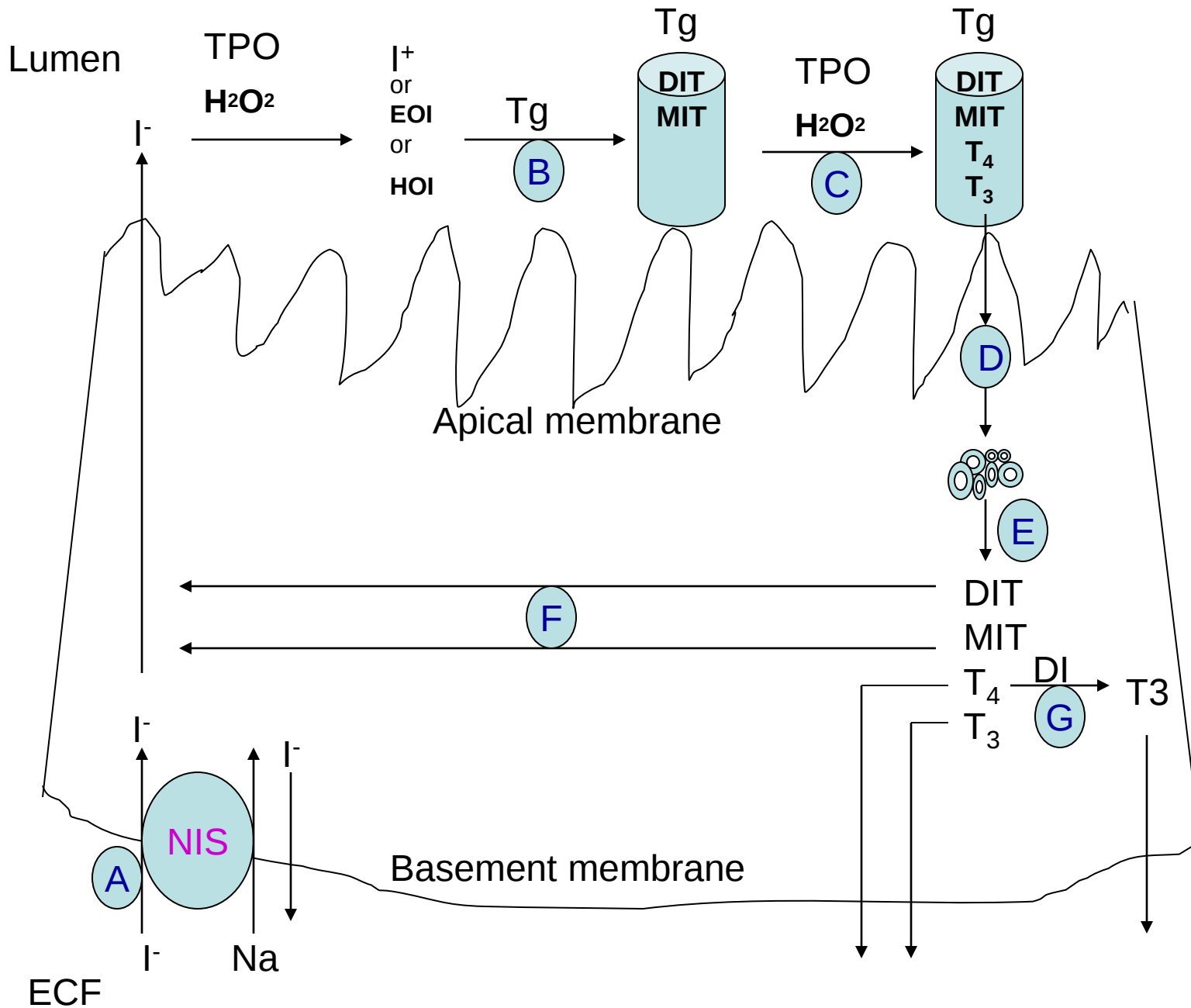
# Thyroid hormones & Thyroid inhibitors

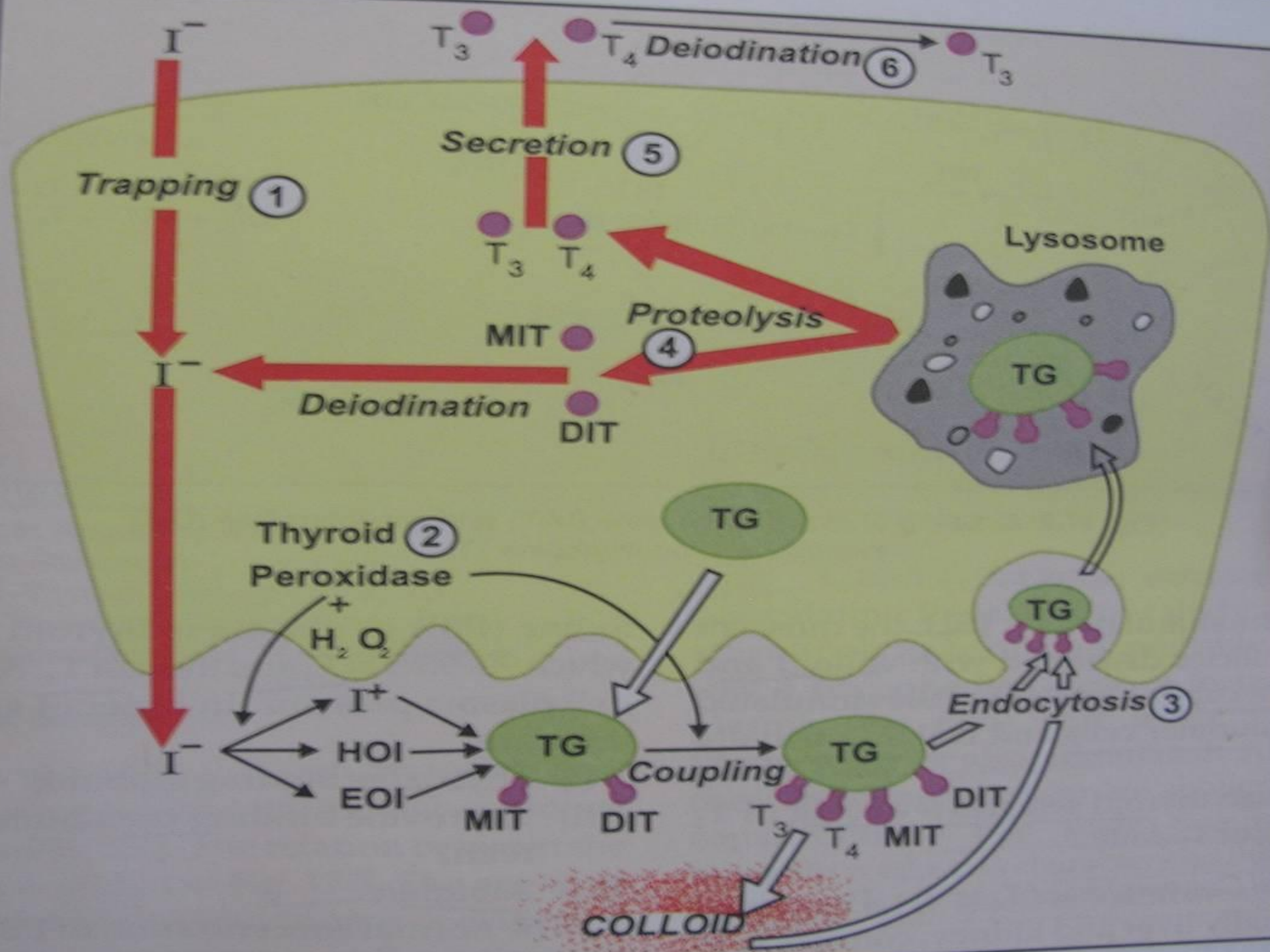
# Thyroid hormones

- T3 & T4
- Calcitonin + parathormone – CA metabolism

# Thyroid hormones

- Chemistry & synthesis
- Transport, metabolism & excretion
- Regulation of secretion
- Actions
- L- thyroxine
- Uses





# Actions

- Growth & development
- Metabolism
- Calorigenesis
- CVS, CNS
- Skeletal muscle
- GIT, Kidney
- Haemopoiesis
- Reproduction

# L- thyroxine

- BA – 75%
- Food interferes with absorption
- Administered in empty stomach
- Sucralfate, iron & CA also interferes
- Enzyme inducers accelerate metabolism
- Preferred over liothyronine

# Uses – replacement therapy

- Cretinism ( 8-12 micro gm/kg)
- Adult hypothyroidism ( 50 to 100-200)
- Subclinical hypothyroidism
- Myxedema coma
- Nontoxic goiter
- Iodised edible salt
- Thyroid nodule, & Ca thyroid
- others

# Thyroid inhibitors

- ↓ functional capacity of thyroid gland
- Thyrotoxicosis
- Grave's & toxic nodular goiter

# Classification

- Inhibit hormone synthesis( Antithyroid)  
Propylthiouracil (PTU), methimazole, carbimazole
- Inhibit iodide trapping ( ionic inhibitors)  
Thiocyanates, perchlorates, nitrates
- Inhibit hormone release  
Iodine, iodides of Na & K, organic iodide

# Cont...

- Destroy thyroid tissue  
Radioactive iodine
- Others  
 $\beta$  blockers, Lithium, Amiodarone,  
Phenoarbitone, Phenytoin,  
carbamazepine & rifampicin

# Antithyroid drugs

- Bind to thyroid peroxidase & prevent oxidation
- Inhibit iodination & coupling
- Thyroid escape & thyroid constipation
- Orally absorbed, cross placenta & enter milk
- Metabolism – liver
- Excretion – urine as metabolites
- Over treatment – hypothyroidism, goiter  
GI upset, hair loss & agranulocytosis

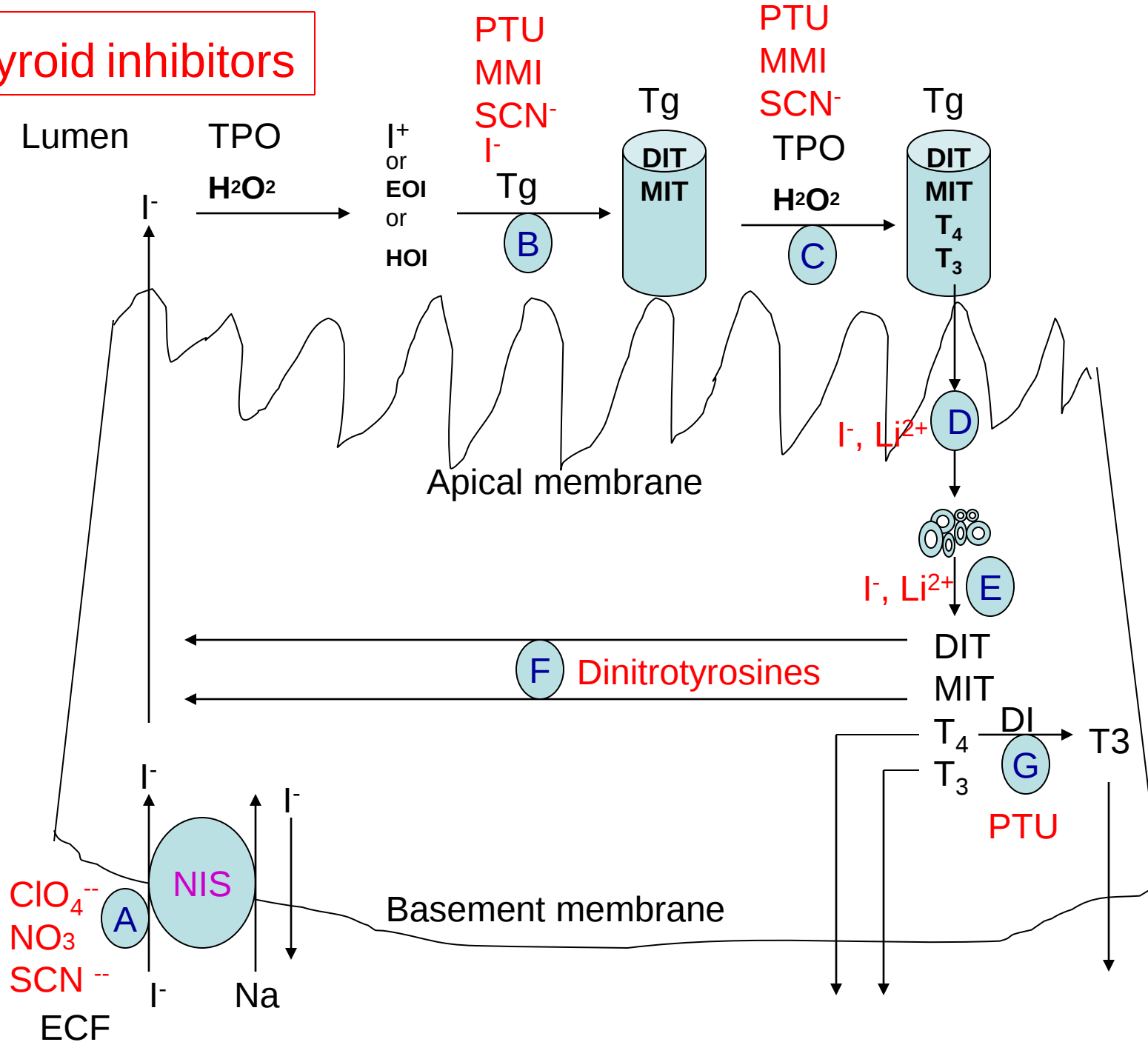
# PTU

- High PPB
- Placenta & milk – less
- Plasma t<sub>1/2</sub> 1-2 hrs
- DOA – 8 hrs
- No active metabolite
- T4  $\xrightarrow{\text{red X}}$  T3

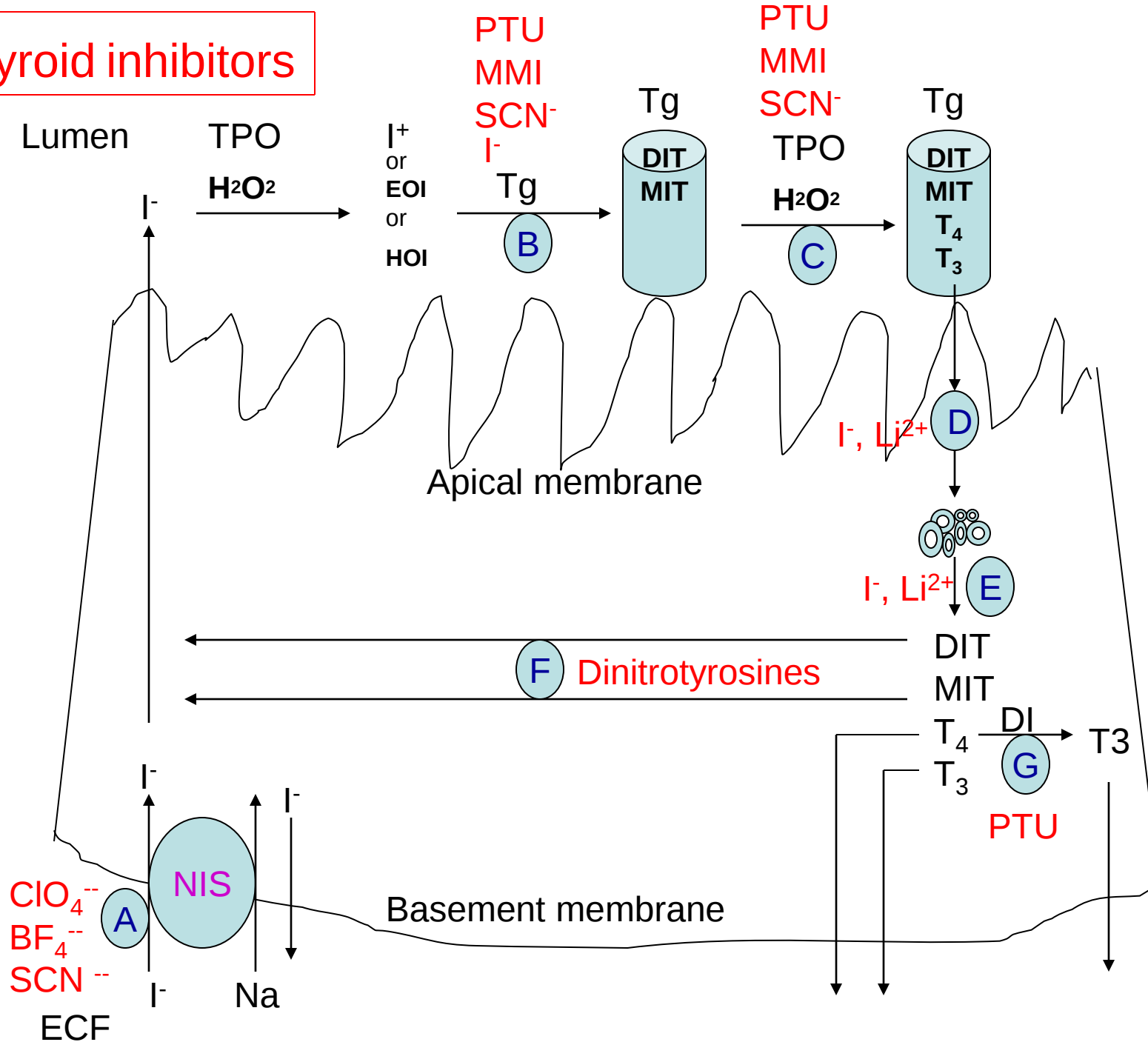
# Carbimazole

- Less
- Large amount
- 6 -10hrs
- 12 – 24hrs
- Methimazole
- Does not

# Thyroid inhibitors



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# Uses

- Definitive therapy
- Preoperatively
- With radioactive iodine
- Thyroid storm
- Advantages & disadvantages
- Pregnancy- **Surgery and radioiodine** are  
Contraindicated

# Iodides & iodine

- Preoperative preparation
- Prophylaxis of endemic goiter
- Antiseptic
- Thyroid storm-Lugol's iodine ( 5% iodine + 10% K iodide solution)
- Hypersensitive reactions
- Iodism, hypothyroidism & goiter
- Flare up acne, foetal/ infantile goiter

# Radioactive iodine

- Emits  $\gamma$  rays &  $\beta$  particles
- Concentrated in follicles
- Used as Na salt dissolved in water
- Diagnostic
- Hyperthyroidism(3-6 m curie)
- repeat if needed after 3 months
- Metastatic CA

# Advantages & Disadvantages

- Simple, inexpensive & OP treatment
- No surgical risk
- Once controlled, permanent cure
- Hypothyroidism
- Slow response
- Contraindicated in pregnancy
- Not suitable for young patients

# Beta blockers

- While awaiting response to carbimazole or radioiodine
- Preoperative preparation along with iodide
- Thyroid storm

# Thyroid storm

- Beta blockers
- PTU - 200-300 mg 6<sup>th</sup> hrly
- Iopanoic acid - 0.5- 1 gm OD
- Corticosteroids (hydrocortisone 100 mg i.v tds followed by oral prednisolone)
- Diltiazem 60-120 mg BD
- General measures