

Vitamin D

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Introduction

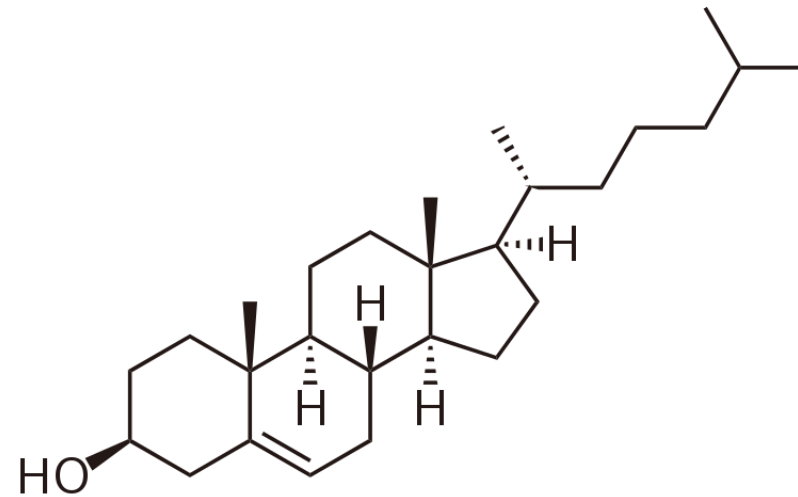
- Fat soluble vitamin.
- Sunshine vitamin.
- It is a steroid prohormone.

Introduction

- **Vitamin D is It is a steroid prohormone:**
 - Produced in body.
 - Released from one tissue and will act on other tissue.
 - Vitamin D will act on nuclear.
 - Like hormone vitamin D has feedback regulation.

Chemistry

- Vitamin D is derived from cholesterol.



Cyclopentao perhydrophenathrene ring (CPPP)

Chemistry

- The term vitamin D refers to group of two compounds
 1. Vitamin D₂ → Ergocalciferol.
 2. Vitamin D₃ → Cholecalciferol.

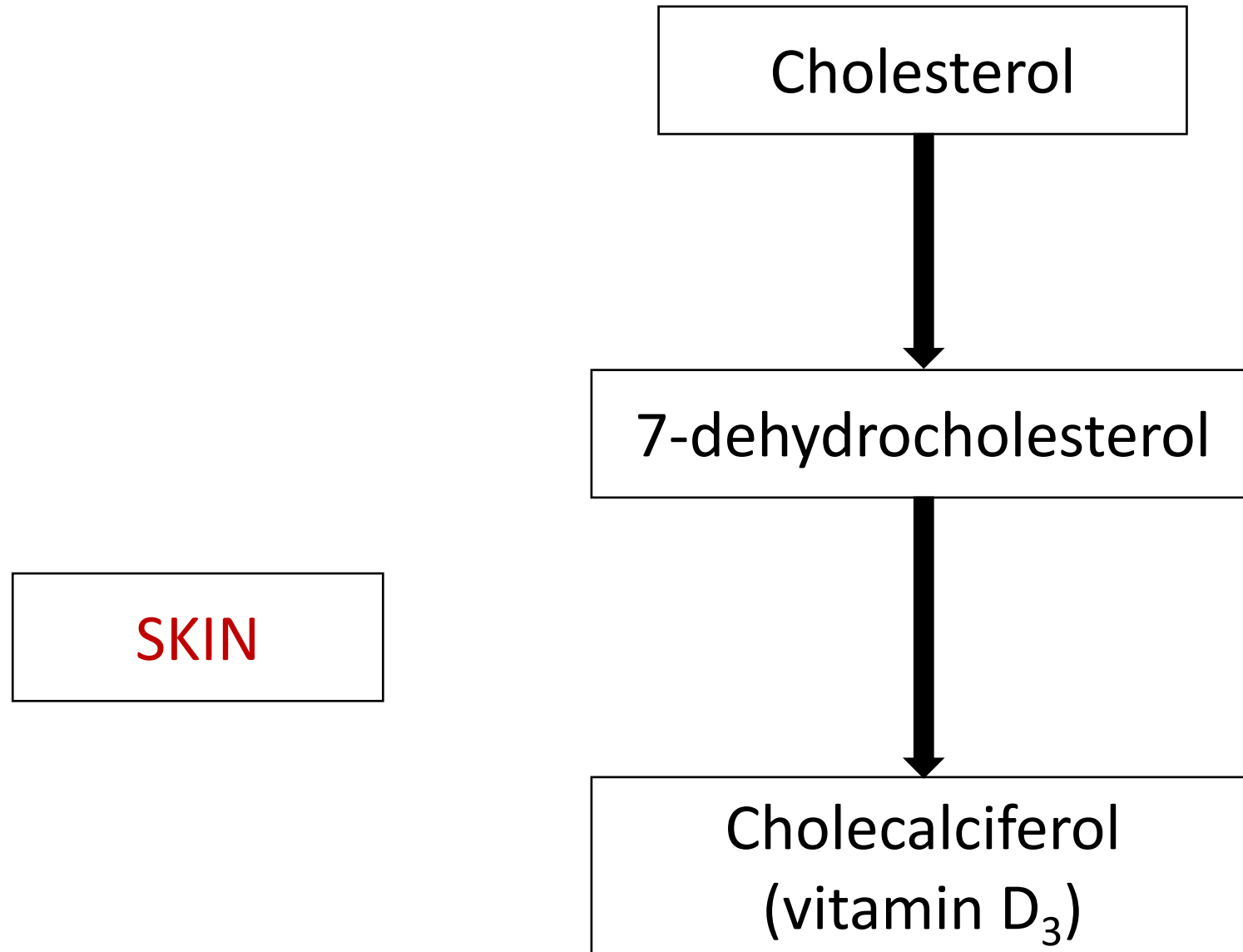
Source

1. Sunlight.
2. Yeast.
3. Fish.
4. Fish liver oil
5. Fortified foods.

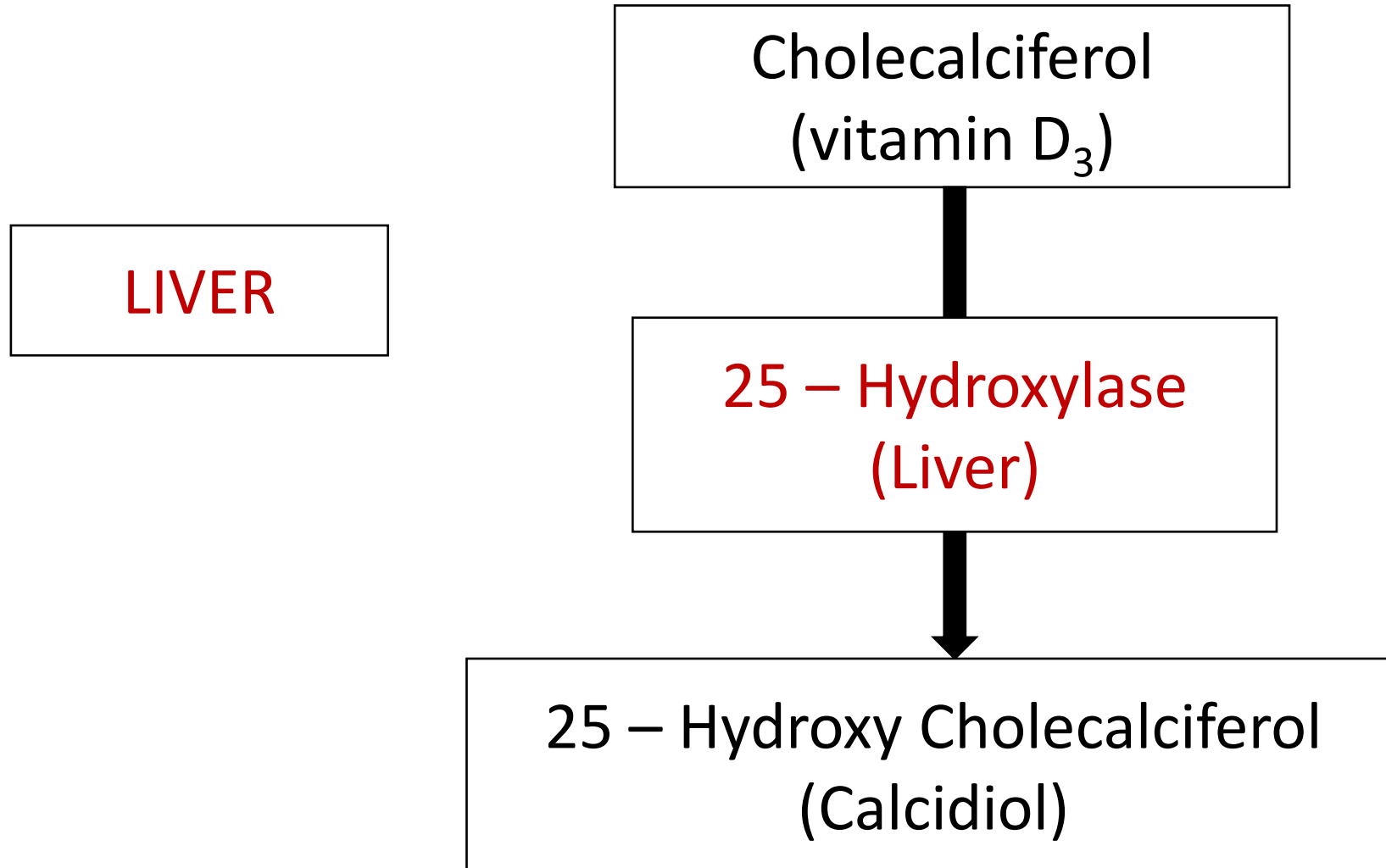
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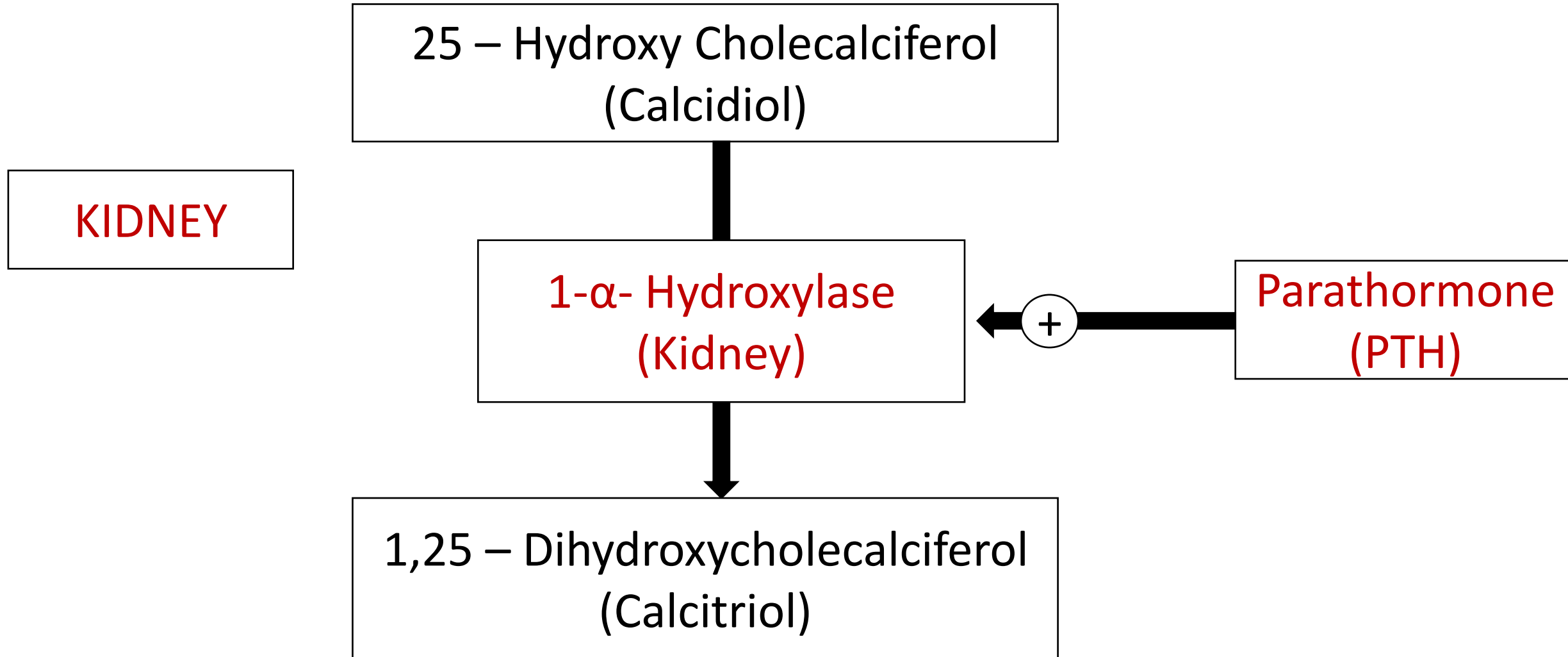
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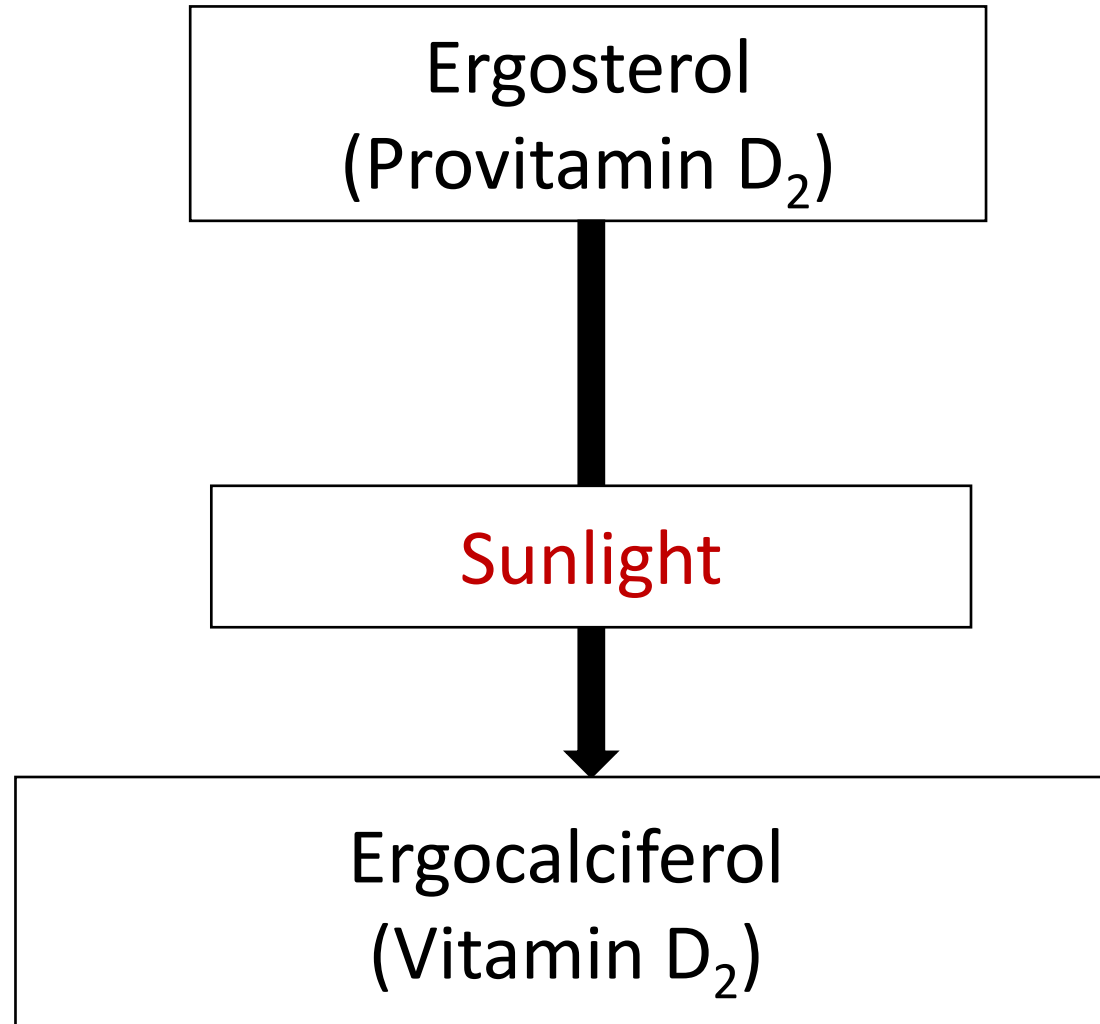
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Ergocalciferol
(Vitamin D₂)

Bile acids

Ergocalciferol incorporated into
chylomicron



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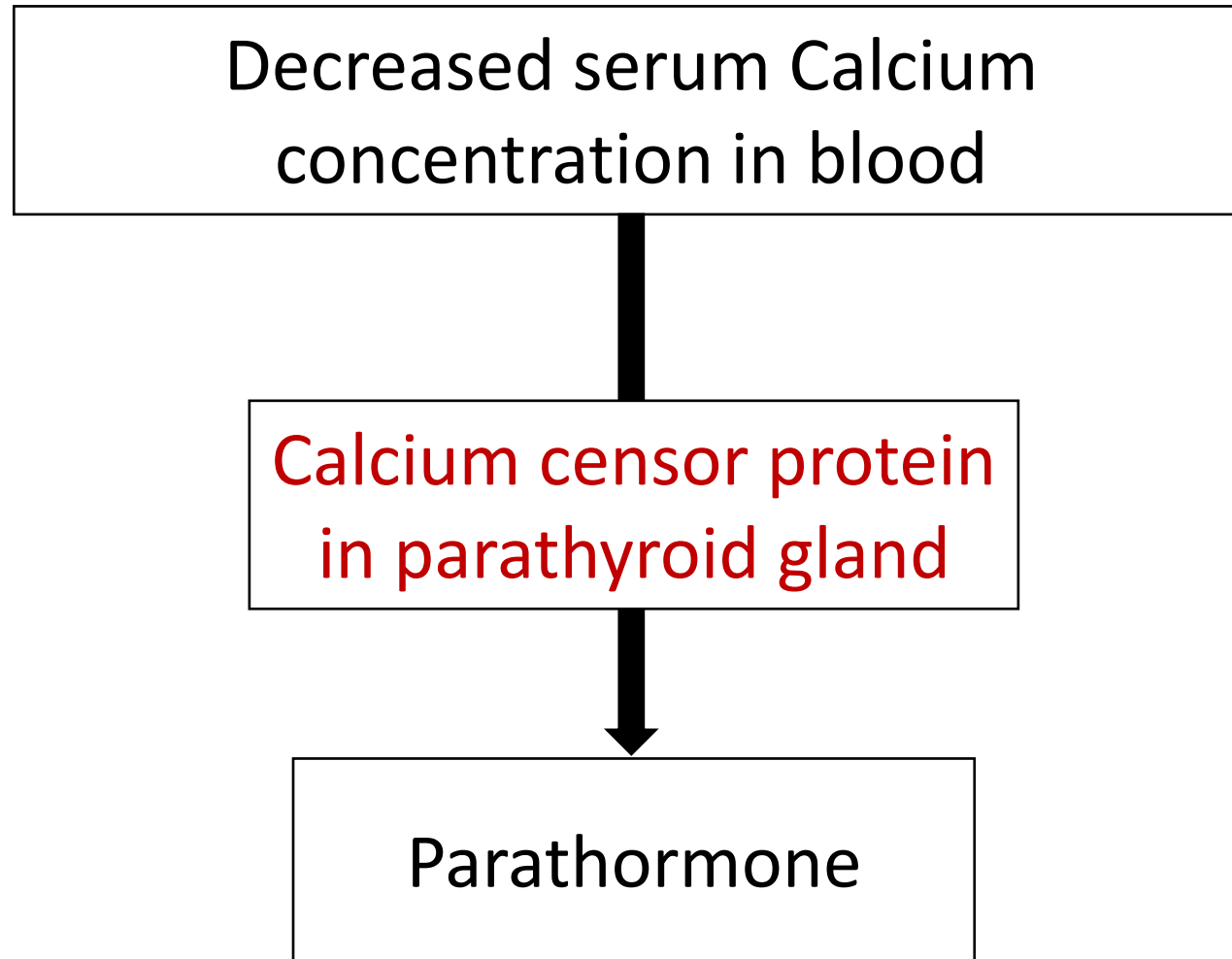
Functions

1. Regulation of calcium and phosphorus concentration in blood.
2. Vitamin D deficiency is a risk factor for COVID – 19 infection.
3. Vitamin D has a role in maturation of hair follicles.
4. Vitamin D has a role in differentiation of keratinocytes in skin. So, used as a treatment in psoriasis.

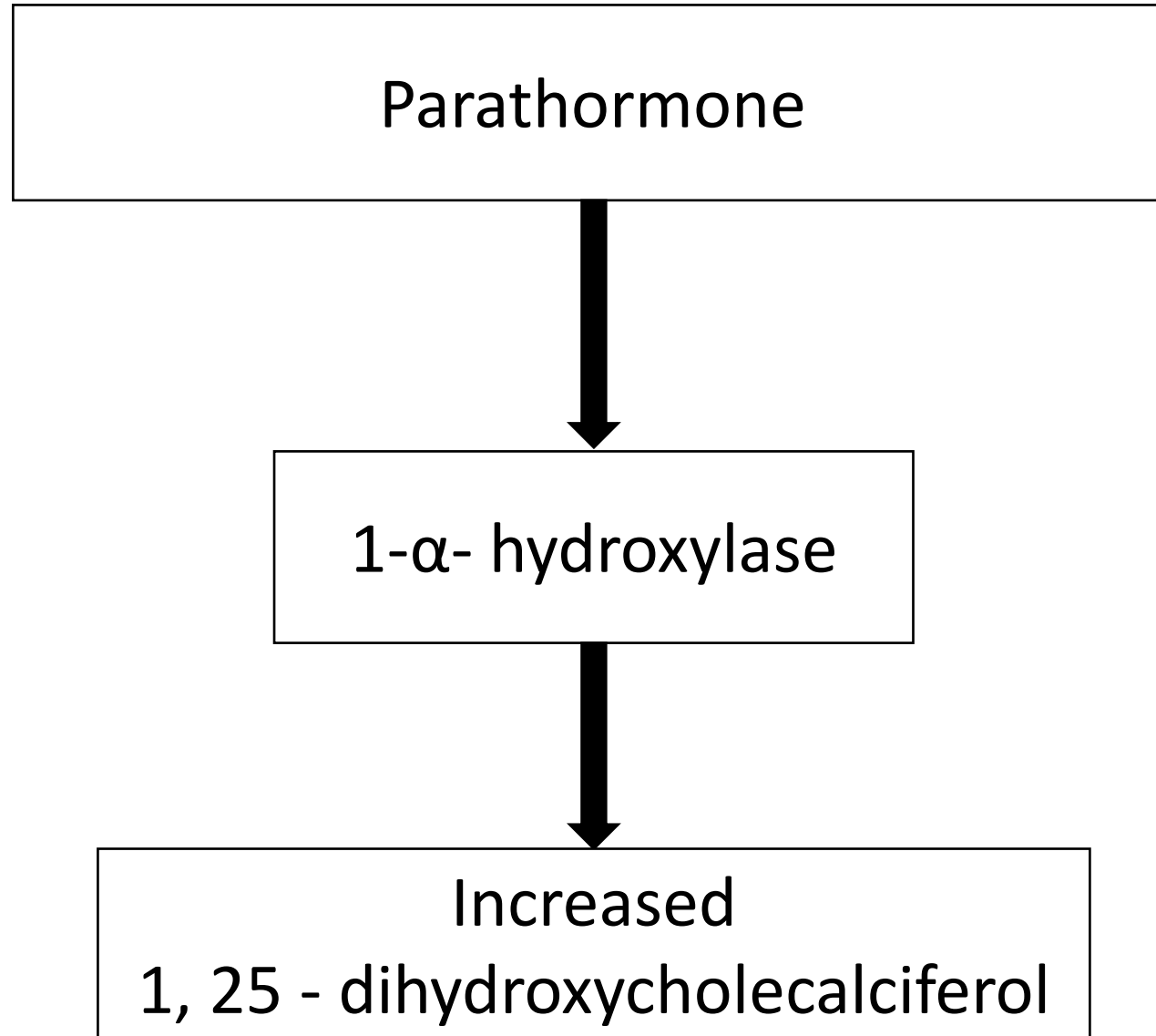
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5. Vitamin D has immune modulatory function.
6. Vitamin D deficiency is associated with incidence of colon cancer and breast cancer.
7. Vitamin D is protective against pre diabetes and metabolic syndrome.

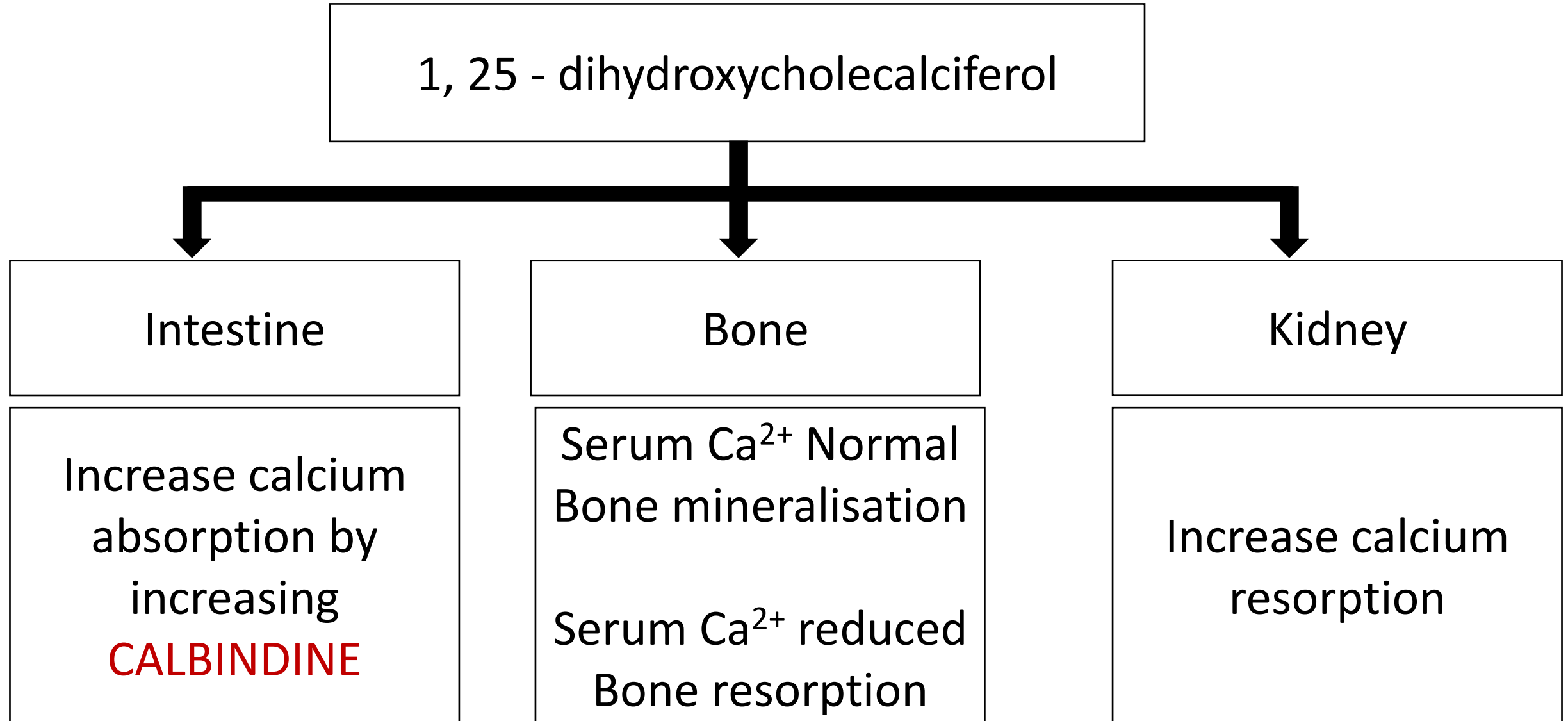
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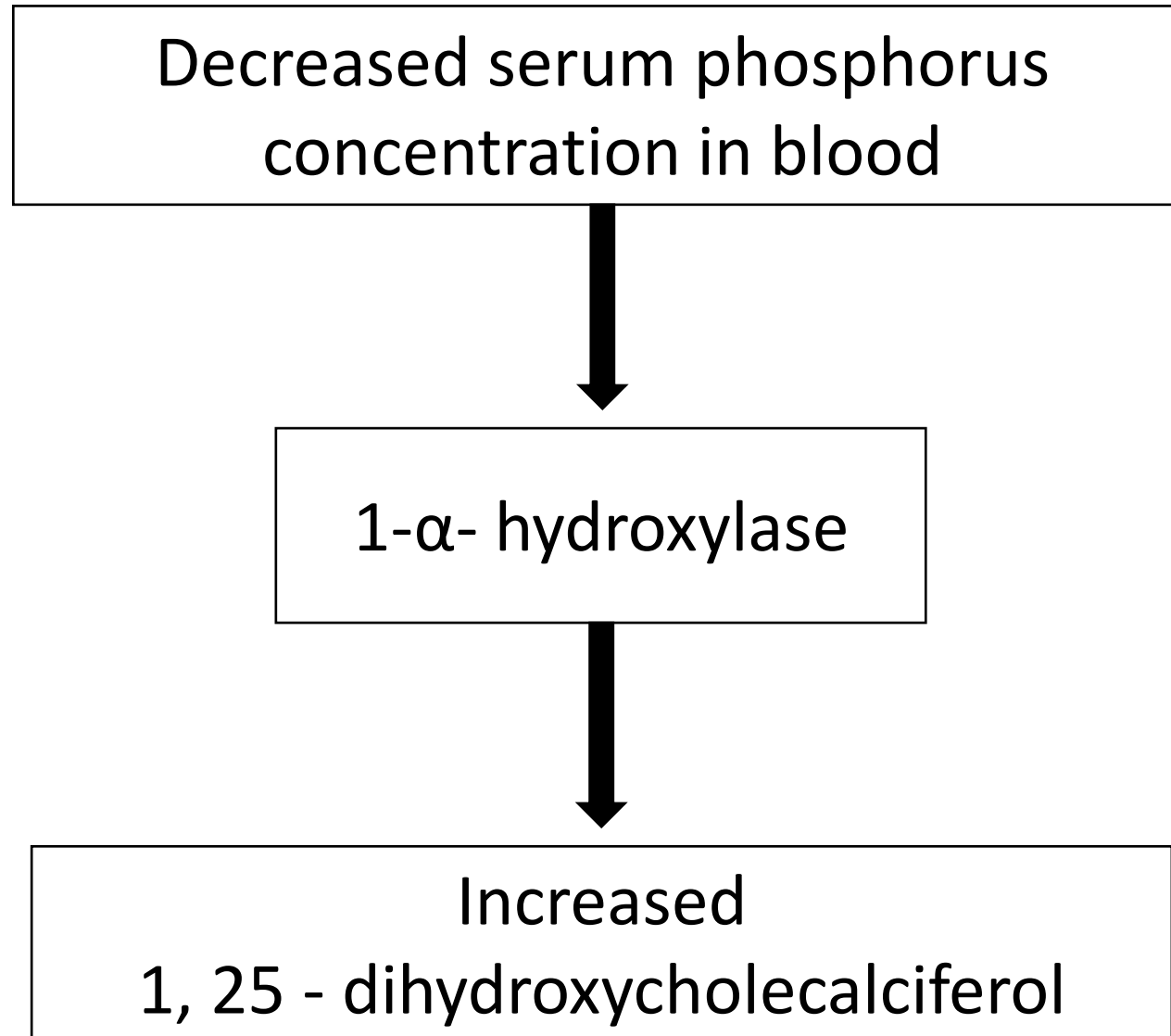
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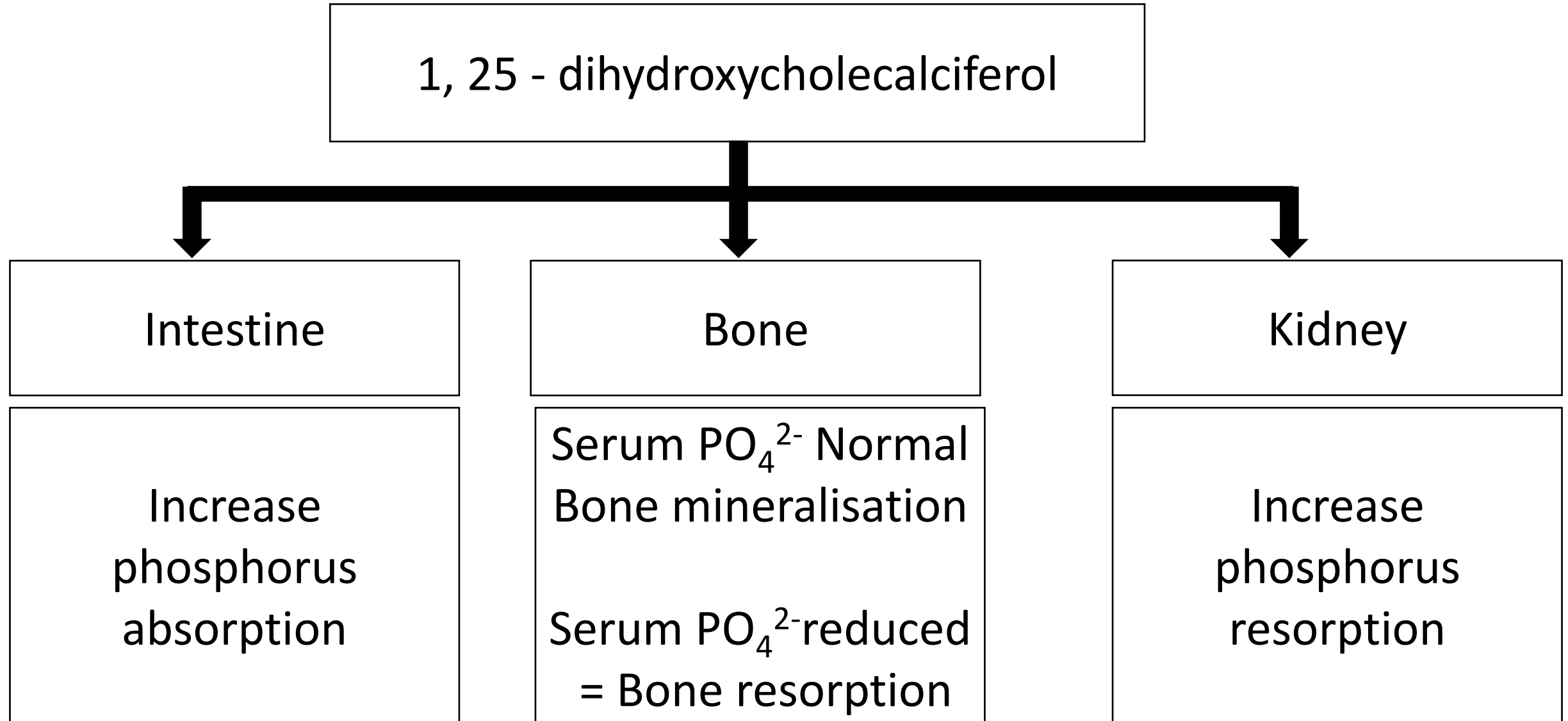
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Recommended dietary allowance (RDA)

- Adult male and female : 5 µg/day.
- Children : 10 µg/day.
- Pregnancy : 10 µg/day.

Reference value:

Total 25 hydroxy vitamin D: > 30 ng/mL.

Deficiency Manifestation

- **Cause:**

- i. Reduced exposure to sunlight.

- Prolonged immobilisation.

- Excess use of sunscreen.

- Location and season.

- ii. Excess melanin content.

- iii. Any cause of steatorrhea.

- iv. Cirrhosis.

- v. Nephrotic syndrome.

- vi. Chronic kidney disease.

- vii. Hypoparathyroidism.

Deficiency Manifestation

- Children → Rickets.
- Adults → Osteomalacia.

Deficiency Manifestation - Rickets

- In children vitamin D deficiency will present as **RICKETS**.
- **Types:**
 - i. Nutritional rickets.
 - ii. Vitamin D dependent rickets type I.
 - iii. Vitamin D dependent rickets type II. (receptor defect)
 - iv. Vitamin D resistant rickets.
 - v. Hypophosphataemic rickets.

Deficiency Manifestation - Rickets

- **Clinical features:**

- Bow legs.
- Knock knew.
- Rachitic Rosary.
- Harrison's sulcus.
- Frontal bossing.



Deficiency Manifestation - Rickets

- Biochemical features in vitamin D deficiency:

Vitamin D deficiency

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graph TD; A[Vitamin D deficiency] --> B[Decreased Calcium]; A --> C[Decreased phosphorus]; B --> D[Increased PTH]; D --> E[Increased Calcium reabsorption in kidney];
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Decreased Calcium

Decreased phosphorus

Increased PTH

Increased Calcium reabsorption in kidney

Deficiency Manifestation - Rickets

- **Investigation:**

- i. Total 25 hydroxy vitamin D.
- ii. 1,25 dihydroxy vitamin D.
- iii. Serum calcium.
- iv. Serum phosphorus.
- v. PTH.
- vi. ALP.

Total 25 hydroxy vitamin D:

1. $> 30 \text{ ng/mL} \rightarrow \text{Normal.}$
2. $20\text{-}29 \text{ ng/mL} \rightarrow \text{Insufficiency.}$
3. $10\text{-}19 \text{ ng/mL} \rightarrow \text{Deficiency}$
4. $< 10 \text{ ng/mL} \rightarrow \text{severe deficiency}$

Deficiency Manifestation - Rickets

- **Treatment:**

Calcium supplementation.

Vitamin D supplementation.

Deficiency Manifestation - Osteomalacia

- In children vitamin D deficiency will present as **Osteomalacia.**
- **Clinical features:**
 - Back pain.
 - Frequent fracture.
- **Investigation:**
- **Treatment:**

Hypervitaminosis

- Serum vitamin D concentration > 150 ng/mL.
- Serum calcium increased.
- **Clinical manifestation:**
 - Neurological manifestation. (depression, lethargy)
 - Gastric ulcer.
 - Nephrogenic diabetes insipidus.

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