

HYPERTHYROIDISM

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- Excess/ over production of thyroid hormone; this condition is also called **THYROTOXICOSIS**
- Hypothalamus (located at base of brain)
- Detects low blood level of thyroid hormon
- If low level is detected then **release** → **THYROTROPIN RELEASING HORMONE**

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Anterior pituitary **secrete** → **THYROTROPIN / TSH**

- Stimulate thyroid gland (located in the neck)



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made up of 1000 of follicles which in turn are small spheres lined with follicular cells

Convert THYROGLOBULIN (a protein found in follicle)



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Iodine containing hormone

**TRIIODOTHYRONINE
(T₃)**

THYROXINE (T₄)

- Once released from thyroid gland these hormones enter the blood stream & bind to the circulating plasma protein, only a small level of (T₃) & (T₄) travel unbound in the blood [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

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- These 2 hormone can be picked by every cell in the body
- Once inside the cell



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ENZYME
5' DEIODINASE

- (T₃) speeds up B.M.R. means cell produce more protein and burn more energy
- Increase the cardiac output
 - Stimulate bone reabsorption
 - Activate sympathetic nervous system (F.F.F)response

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CAUSES

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1. GRAVE'S DISEASE-

- (autoimmune disorder); B-cells produce antibodies against thyroid protein
- This antibodies include thyroid stimulating immunoglobins which binds to TSH receptor on the follicular cell & initiate TSH
- This results in growth of THYROID GLAND & stimulate follicular cell to produce excess thyroid hormone

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2. TOXIC NODULAR GOITRE-

Follicle start generating lots of thyroid hormone; in some cases it is because of ***mutated TSH receptor.*** [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

3. HYPER- FUNCTIONING THYROID ADONEMA-

Follicular cells start growing uncontrollably forming benign tumour making excess thyroid hormone. [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

4. THYROID INFLAMMATION/ DAMAGE-

This lead to large release of pre-formed thyroid hormone. [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

5. JOD- BASEDOW SYNDROME-

Develops after iodine deficient person gets hefty dose of iodine. [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

6. NEONATAL HYPERTHYROIDISM-

In newborn (whose mother have grave's disease i.e thyroxin level increase)



thyroxin transfer through placenta

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SECONDARY CAUSES OF **HYPERTHYROIDISM**

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- Here healthy thyroid (that generates a lot of thyroid hormone).
- In response to aTCH secreting tumour in the anterior pituitary.

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SYMPTOMS

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1. **WEIGHT LOSS**- despite ↑ in appetite [↑ **B.M.R.**]
2. **HEAT INTOLERANCE**- because body produce more heat
3. **RAPID HEART RATE**
4. **SWEATING**
5. **HYPERACTIVITY**
6. **ANXIETY** [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]
7. **INSOMNIA**
8. Overstimulation of muscle that control eye movement
i.e. *eye appear more open than normal* [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]

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**9. If hypertension increase for long time = risk of C.H.
Failure & osteoporosis**

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10. THYROID STORM- life threatening complication

#DIAGNOSIS-

1. Measuring blood levels of TSH T₃ & T₄.
2. Radioactive iodine uptake test.

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TREATMENT

1. Beta blocker (to treat immediate symptoms)
2. Anti thyroid drug- block thyroid hormone production release [DEPTH OF BIOLOGY]
3. Radioiodine therapy
4. Thyroid removed via surgery (few cases)