

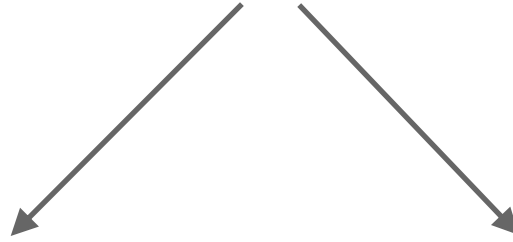
# Ferroptosis

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# Introduction

- **Cell death** : is the event of biological ceasing to carry out its functions. This may be the result of the nature process of old cell dying and being replaced by new ones ,as in programmed cell death ,or may result from factors such as diseases, localized injury ,or the death of the organism .

# Cell death

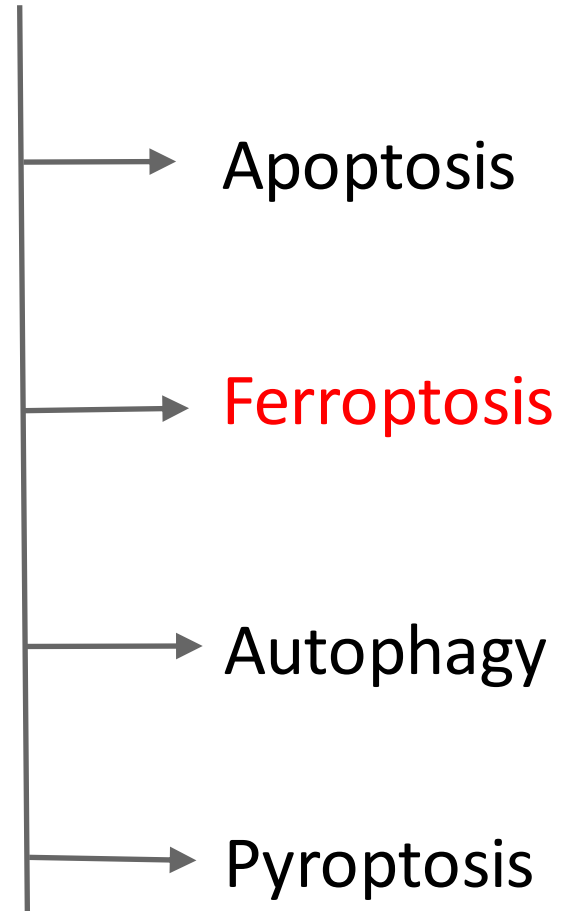


## Accidental cell death (ACD)



Necrosis

## Regulated cell death (RCD)



# Differences between apoptosis , necrosis and ferroptosis

<b>Apoptosis</b>	<b>Necrosis</b>
Apoptosis is the programmed cell death	Necrosis is the premature cell death
A naturally occurring physiological process	A pathological process caused by external agents like toxins
Occurs through shrinking of cytoplasm followed by the condensation of the nucleus	Occurs through swelling of cytoplasm along with mitochondria followed by cell lysis
It is a caspase dependent pathway	It is a caspase independent pathway

## **Ferroptosis**

Iron dependent

Features of necrosis

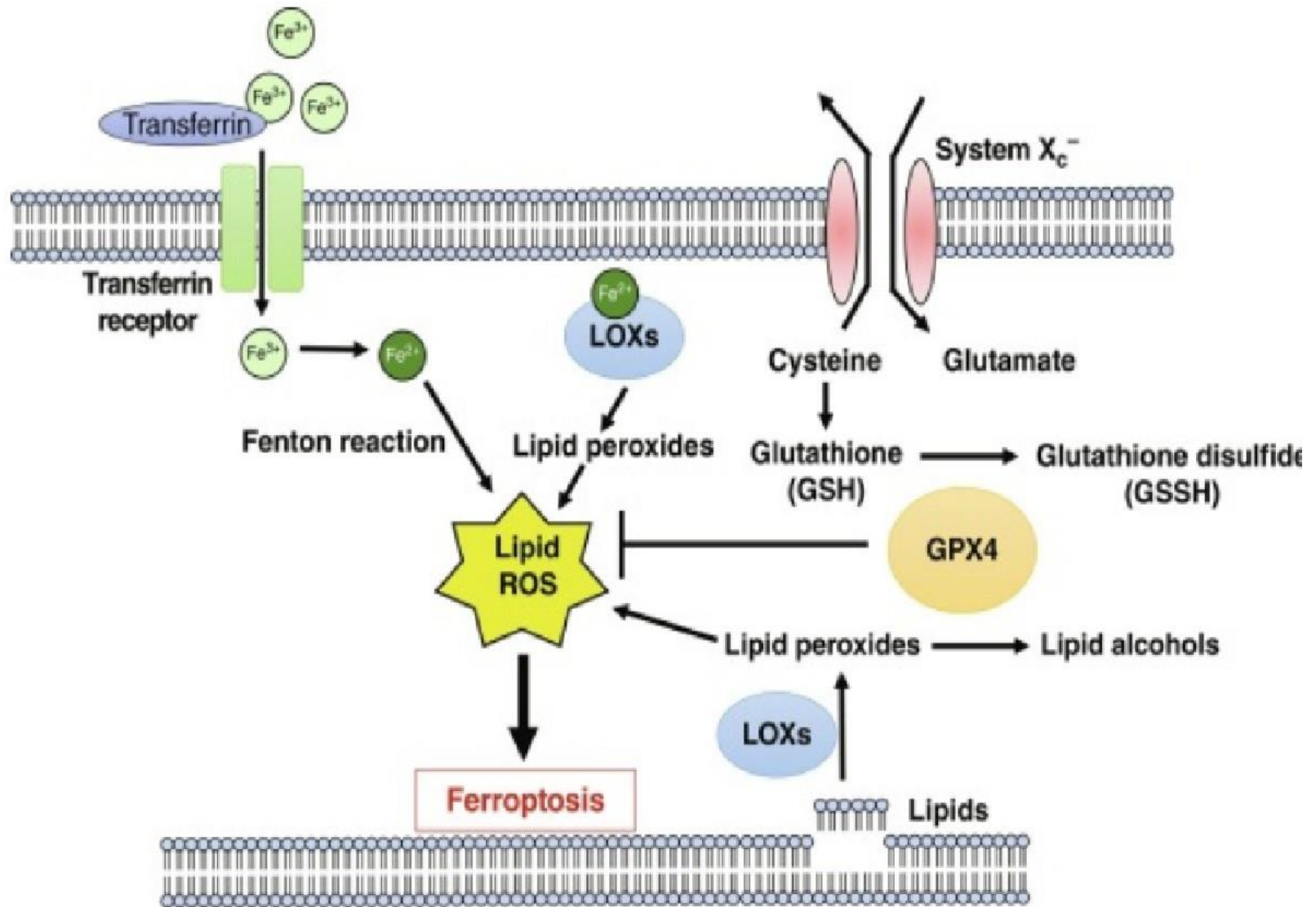
It is a caspase-independent pathway

- Ferroptosis is a recently discovered ,its a form of programmed cell death distinct form apoptosis, necrosis and autophagy.
- Greek "Ferro"means iron and "ptosis"denotes falling.
- It is characterized by the accumulation of iron and inducing Reactive oxygen species (ROS) in turn it induce lipid peroxidation.
- The term ferroptosis was coined in 2012 by Brent Stockwell and Scott Dixon



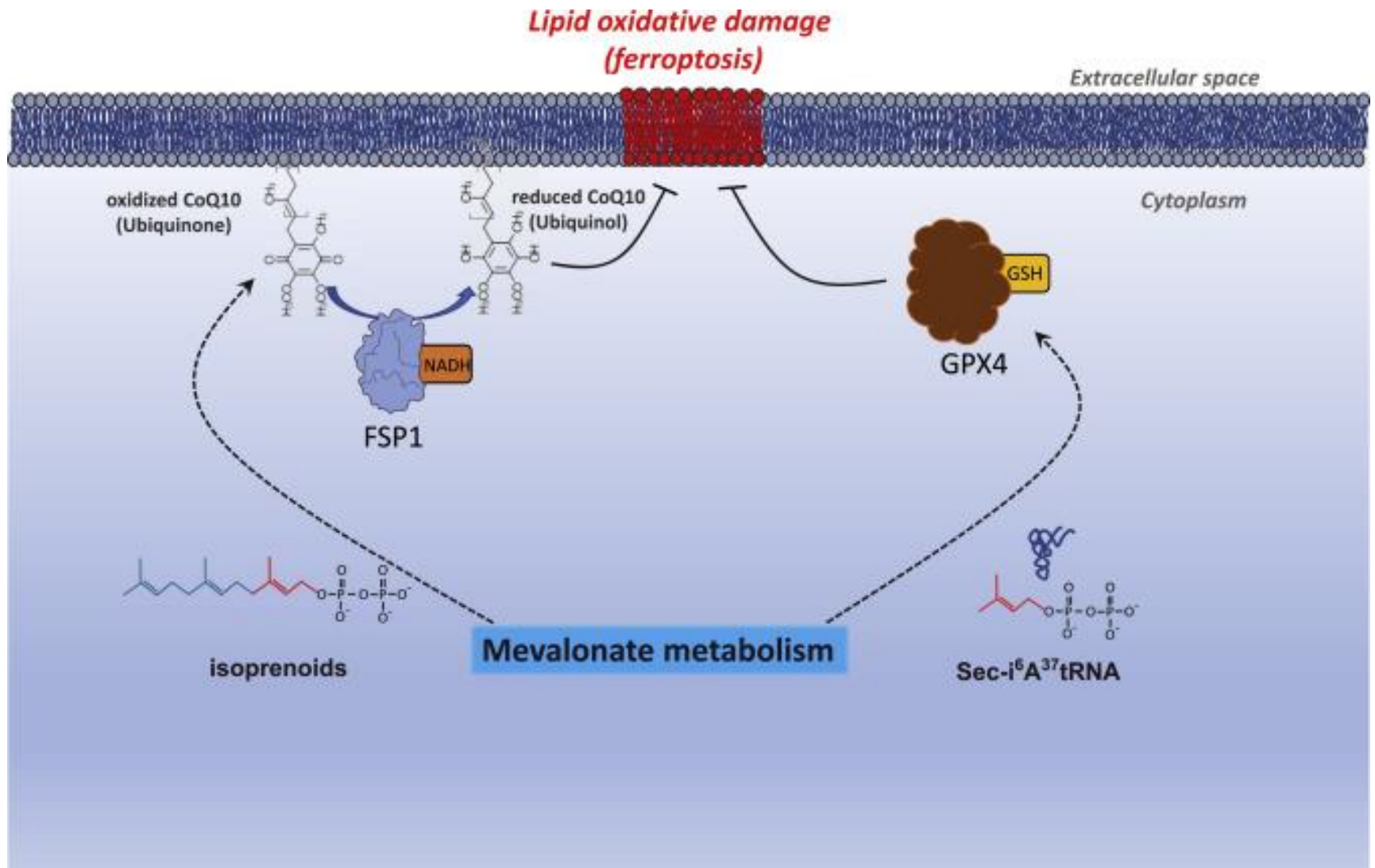
**Brent Stockwell**

# Mechanism of ferroptosis



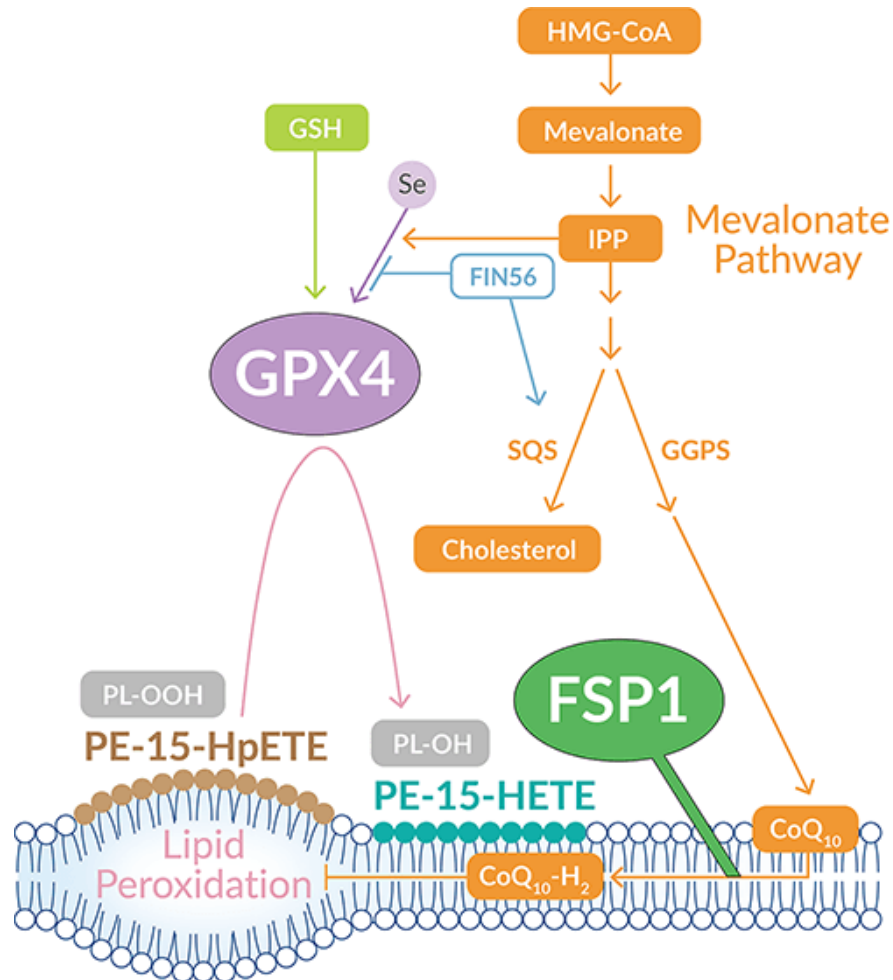
- Uncleared lipid hydroperoxides triggers the formation of lipid reactive oxygen species (ROS) that induces ferroptosis. Ferroptosis can therefore result from decreased levels of GSH or from reduced activity or the inhibition of system Xc<sup>-</sup> or GPX4.
- Also necessary for the induction of ferroptosis is disruption in iron homeostasis. Ferric iron (Fe<sup>3+</sup>), imported through the transferrin receptor following binding with transferrin, is reduced to ferrous iron (Fe<sup>2+</sup>). Accumulation of Fe<sup>2+</sup> not only produces lipid ROS through the Fenton reaction but also can catalyze lipid peroxidation by combining with cytosolic LOXs, which then leads to the production of lipid ROS and ferroptosis.
- System Xc<sup>-</sup> imports cystine, which is reduced to cysteine within the cell, and used in biosynthesis of glutathione (GSH), a necessary substrate of glutathione peroxidase (GPX4).
- Toxic lipid hydroperoxides, derived from membrane lipids through the action of lipoxygenases (LOXs), are converted by GPX4 to their corresponding nontoxic alcohols, thus protecting the cell.

# Protection from ferroptosis: The FSP1/CoQ10 branches



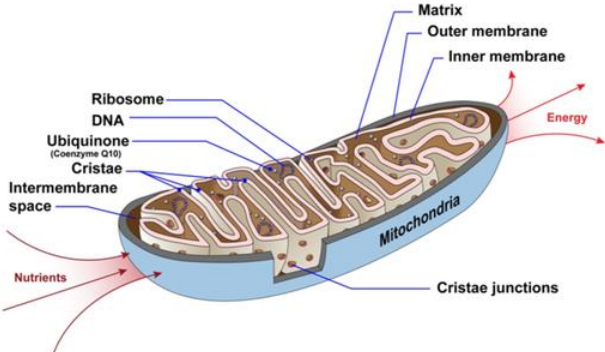


# The FSP1/CoQ10 branch



# Mitochondrial vs non-mitochondrial CoQ10 pools

## Mitochondria

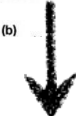
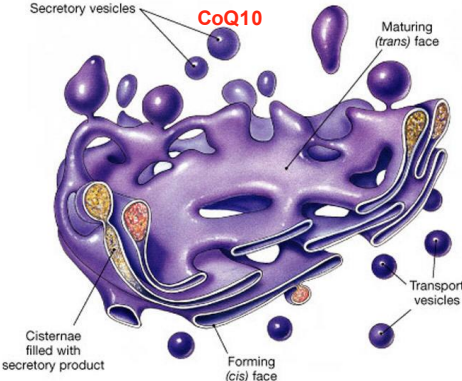


COQ2



Mito-CoQ10 (energy)

## Golgi membrane

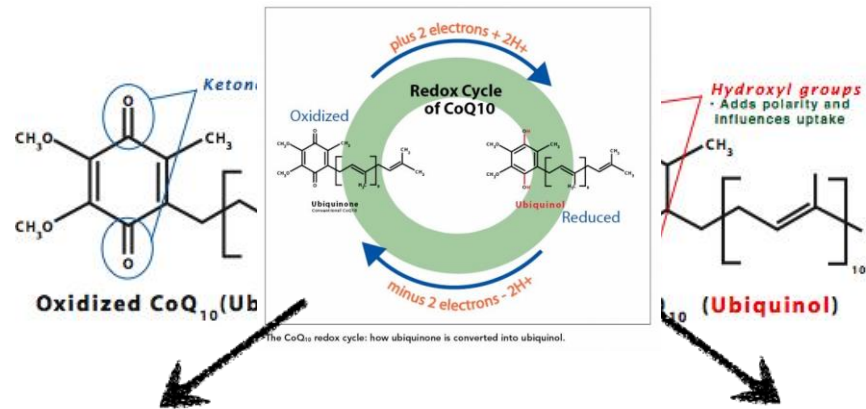


UBIAD1



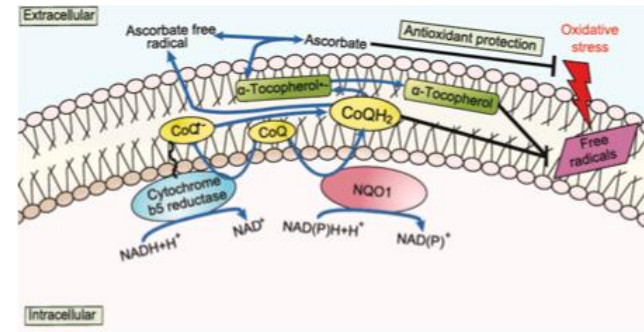
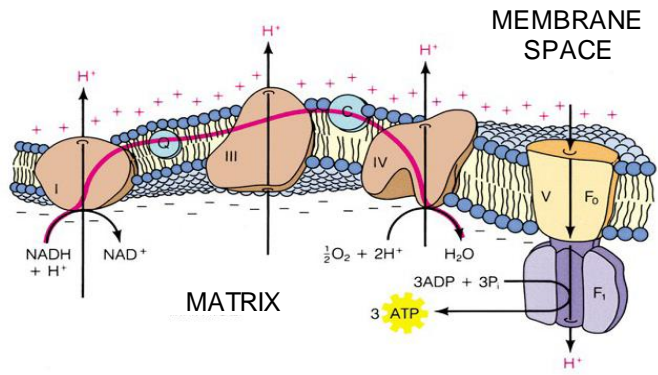
Golgi-CoQ10 (AOX)

# CoQ10 and its function

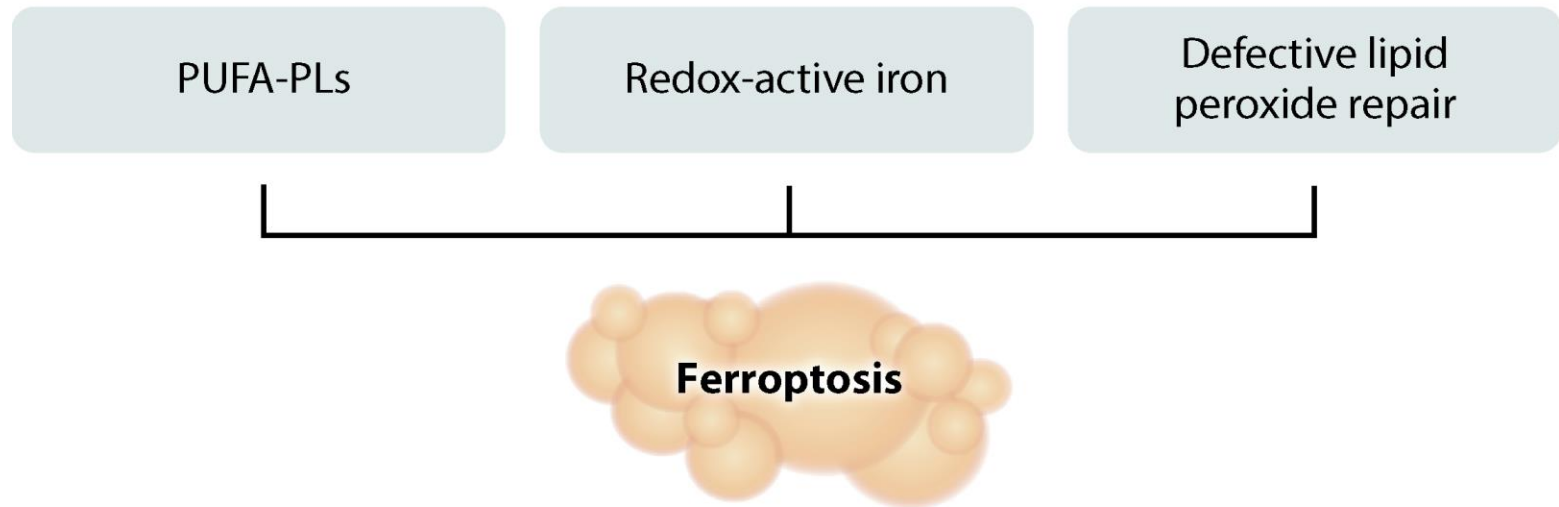


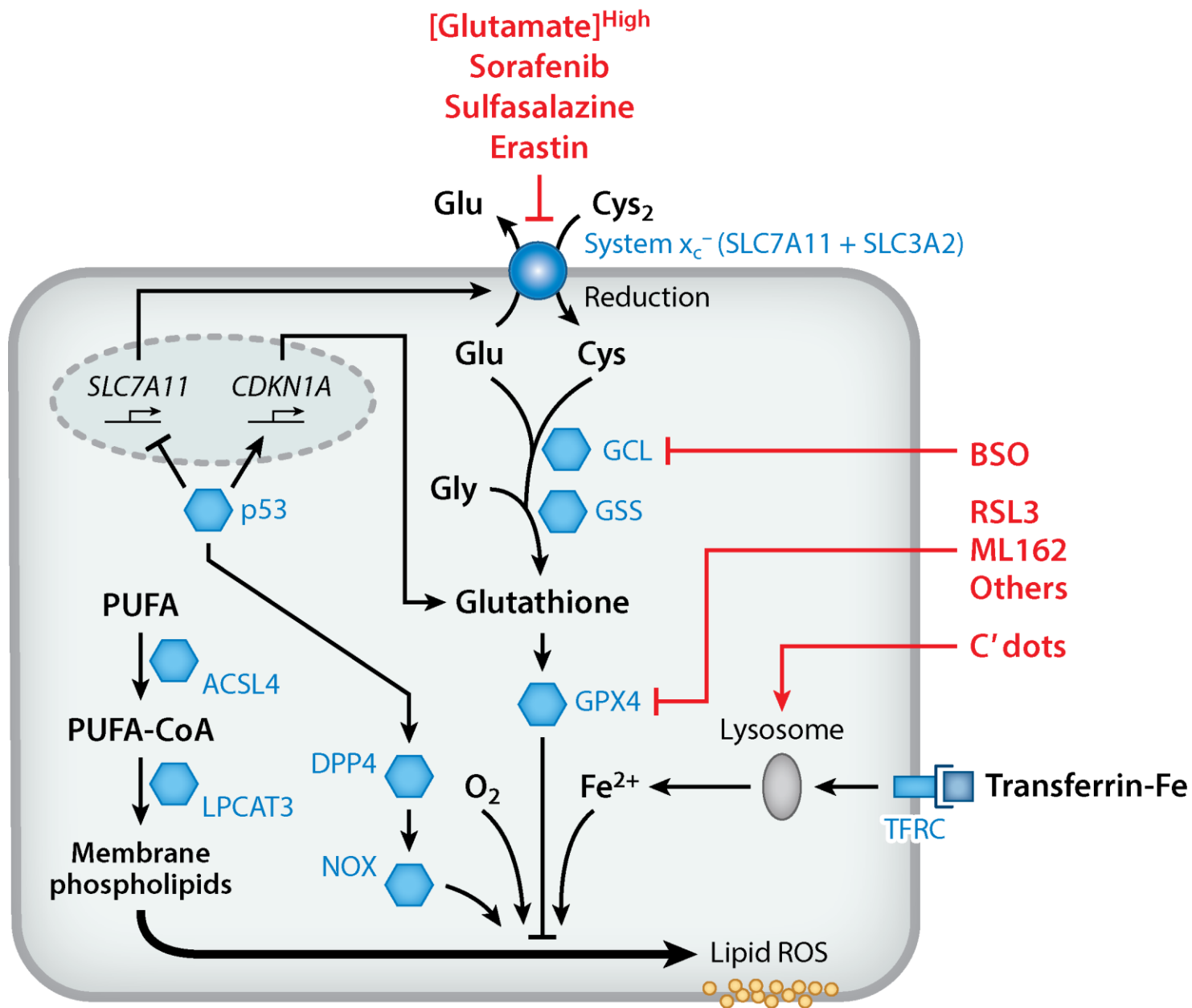
**ELECTRON TRANSPORT (MITOCHONDRIA)**  
redox component of the mitochondrial ETC

**ANTIOXIDANT (CELLULAR MEMBRANE)**  
ROS scavenger at plasma membrane

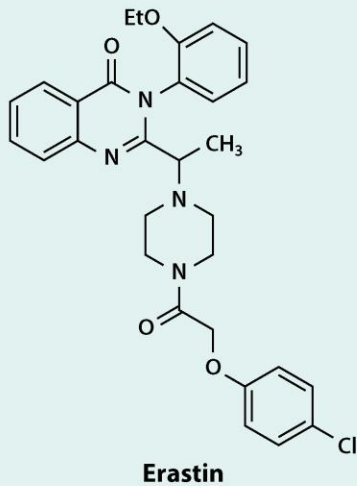


## The three hallmarks of ferroptosis

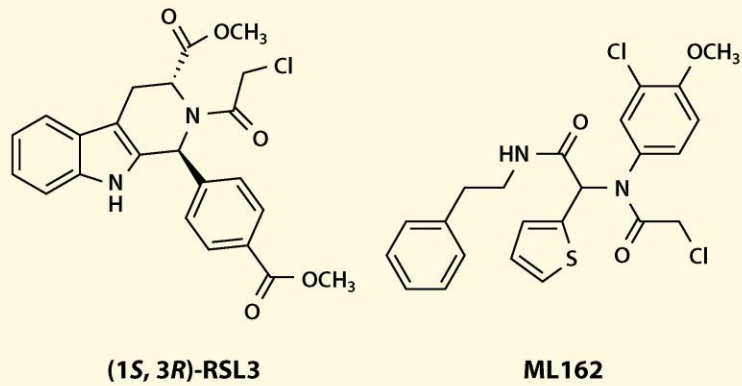




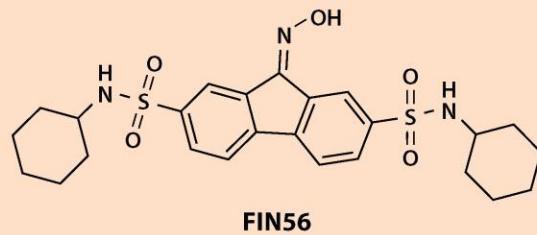
**a** System  $x_c^-$  inhibitor



**b** Covalent GPX4 inhibitors



**c** Mevalonate pathway inhibitor



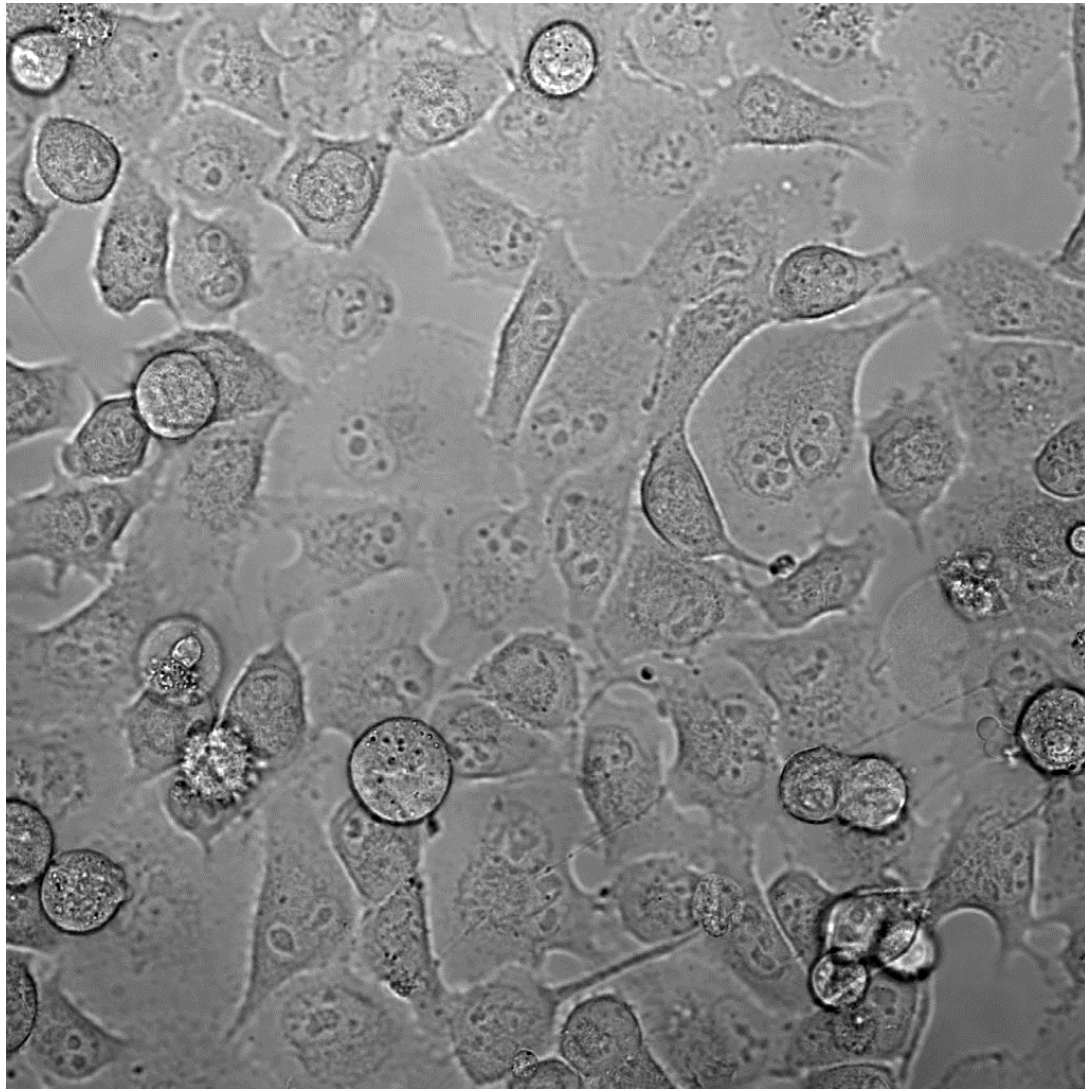
**d** Promoter of iron oxidation



**Table 1.** Main ferroptosis activators and inhibitors.

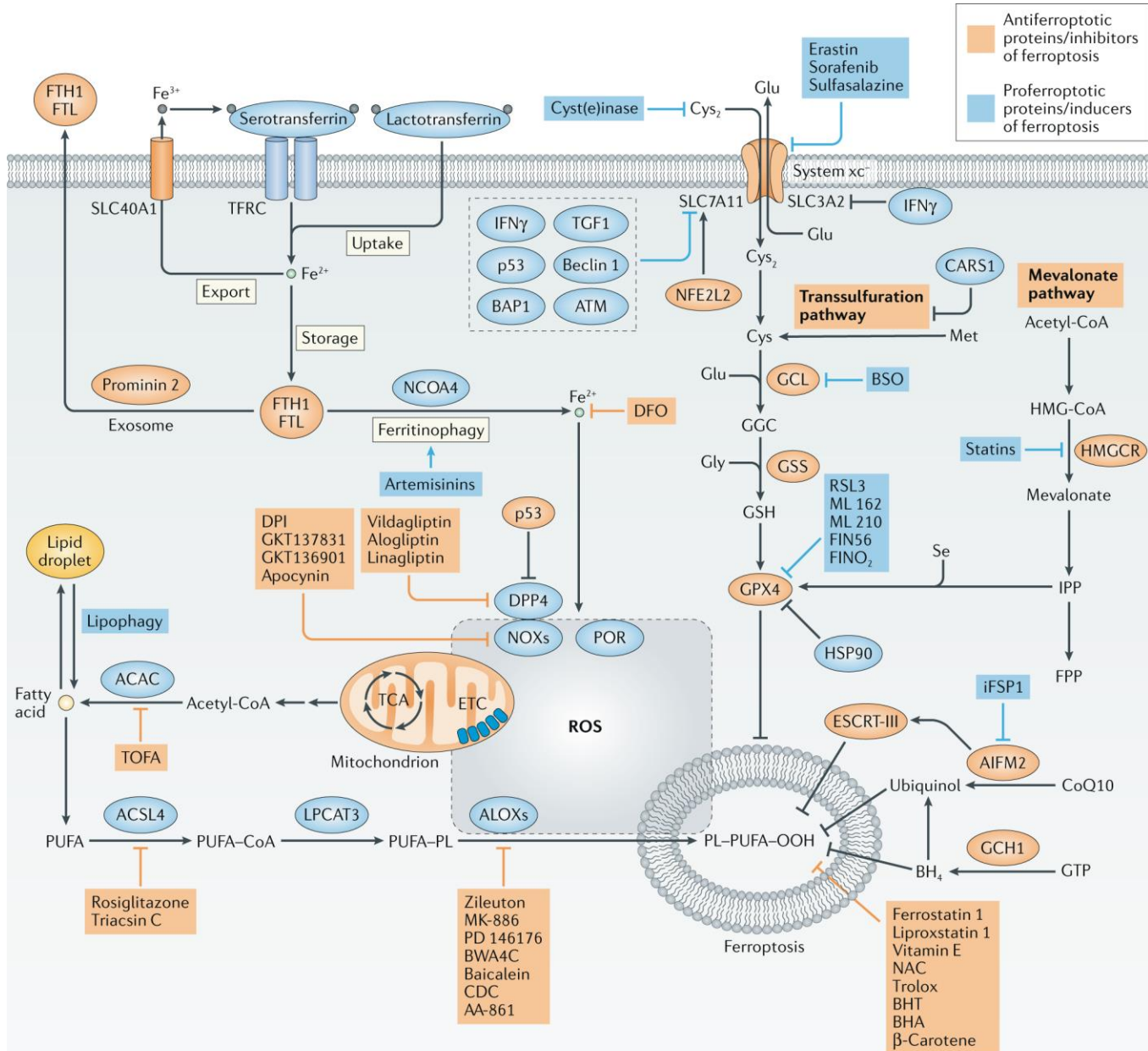
	Target	Example	Function	References
Ferroptosis activators	Autophagy	Loperamide, pimozide, STF-62247, BAY 87-2243, zalcitabine	Induces autophagy	<a href="#">[43,123,124]</a>
	CoQ10	FIN56, iFSP1	Inhibits CoQ10 production	<a href="#">[47,125]</a>
	GPX4	RSL3, ML162, ML210, DPIs, FIN56, FINO <sub>2</sub>	Inhibits GPX4 activity or promotes GPX4 degradation	<a href="#">[126–128]</a>
	glutathione (GSH)	Buthioninesulfoximine, CH004, cyst(e)inase	Inhibits GSH production	<a href="#">[128]</a>
	System xc <sup>-</sup>	Erastin, sulfasalazine, sorafenib, imidazole ketone erastin, erastin2, glutamate	Inhibits GSH production	<a href="#">[3,17]</a>
Ferroptosis inhibitors	ACSL4	Rosiglitazone, triacsin C	Inhibits PUFA production	<a href="#">[61,62]</a>
	ALOX	Zileuton, MK886, PD146176, BWA4C, baicalein, cinnamyl-3,4-dihydroxy-cyanocinnamate, AA-861, LOXBlock-1	Inhibits lipid peroxidation	<a href="#">[9,129,130]</a>
	Iron	Deferoxamine (DFO), 2,2-bipyridyl, ciclopirox olamine (CPX), deferiprone, pioglitazone	Inhibits iron toxicity	<a href="#">[3,36,126]</a>
	Lipid ROS	Ferrostatis (e.g., ferrostatin-1, SRS11-92, SRS12-45, SRS13-35, SRS13-37, and SRS16-86), liproxstatis (e.g., liproxstatin-1)	Inhibits lipid ROS	<a href="#">[3,9]</a>
	Autophagy	Ammonium chloride, bafilomycin A <sub>1</sub> , chloroquine, wortmannin, 3-methyladenine, cryptotanshinone, S3I-201, CA-074Me, NH <sub>4</sub> Cl, pepstatin A, E64	Inhibits autophagy	<a href="#">[83,84,131,132]</a>
	NOX	Diphenyleneiodonium chloride (DPI), GKT137831, GKT136901, apocynin	Inhibits membrane-associated ROS production	<a href="#">[3]</a>



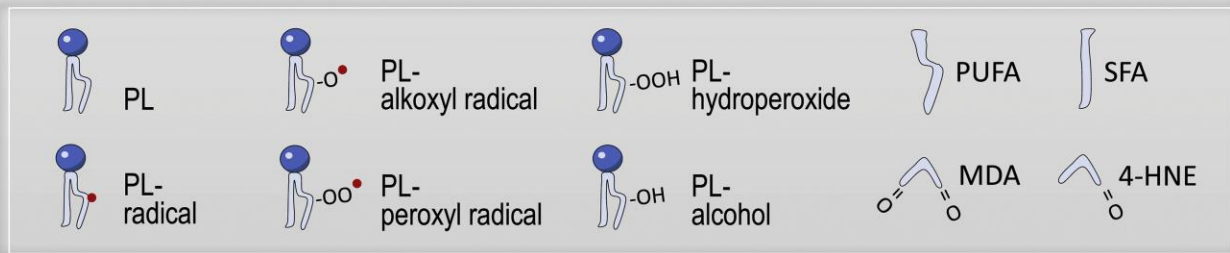
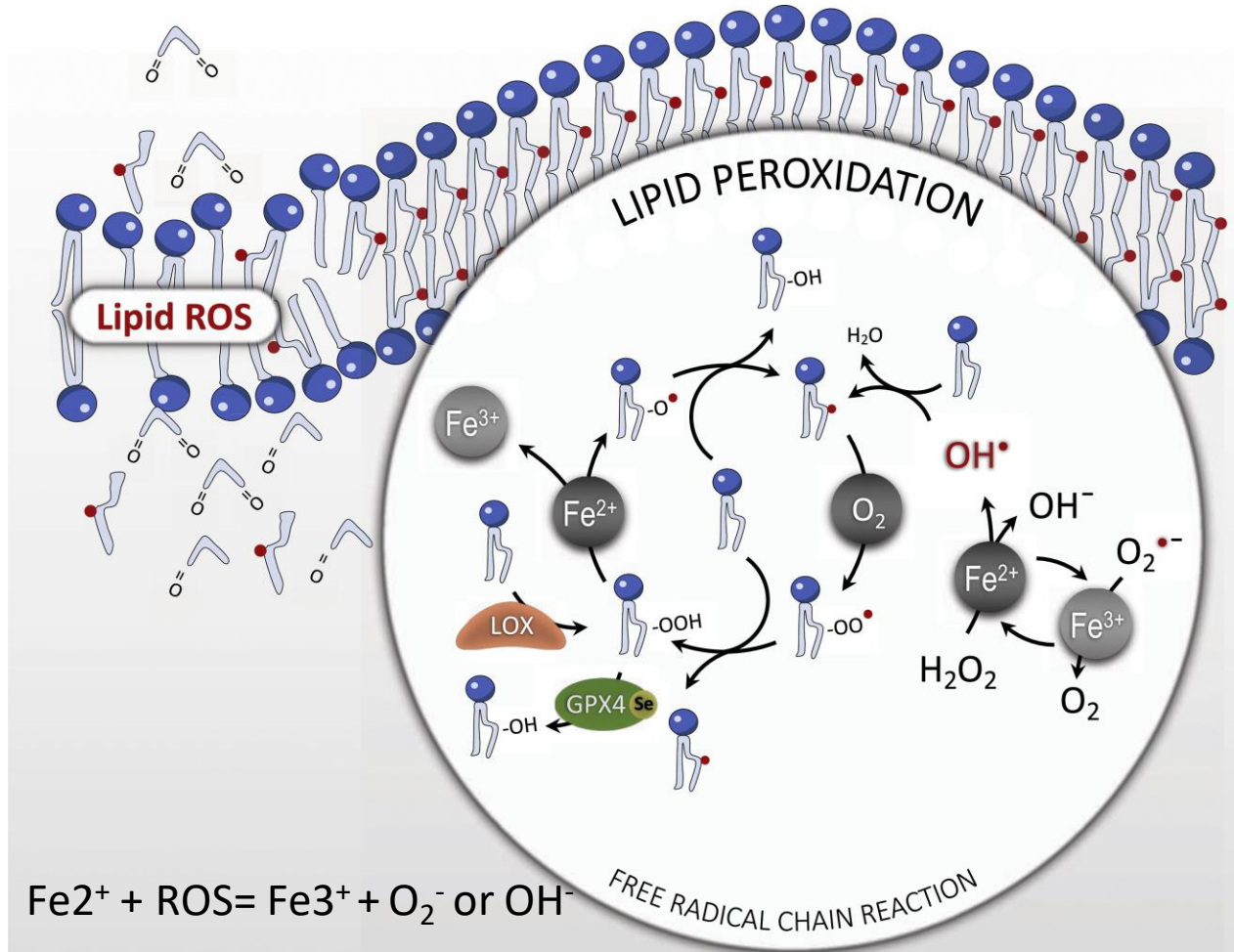




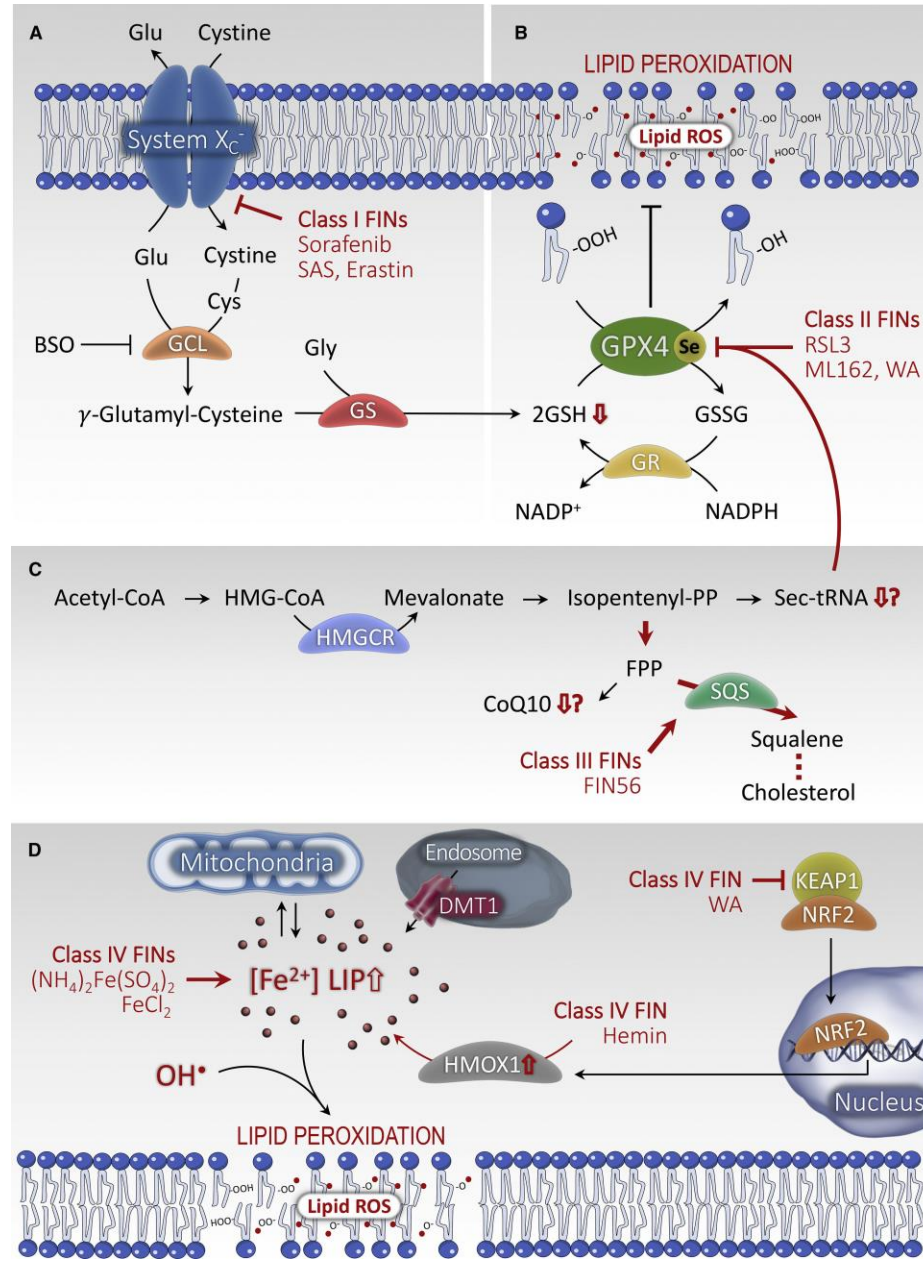
# Signaling and metabolic pathways in ferroptosis



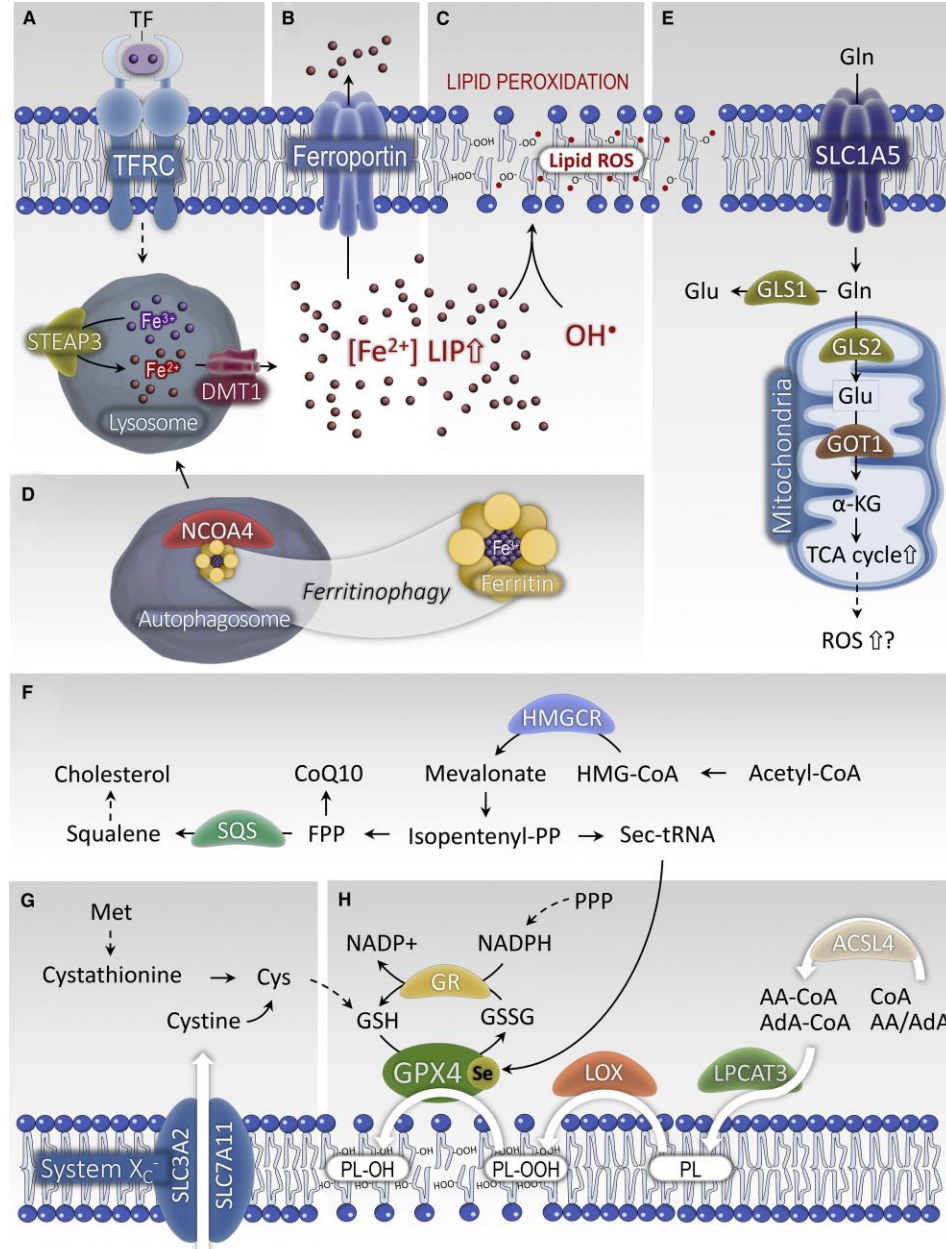
# Lipid Peroxidation Process and Toxicity



# Mechanism of Ferroptosis Induction



# Overview of Ferroptosis Modulation



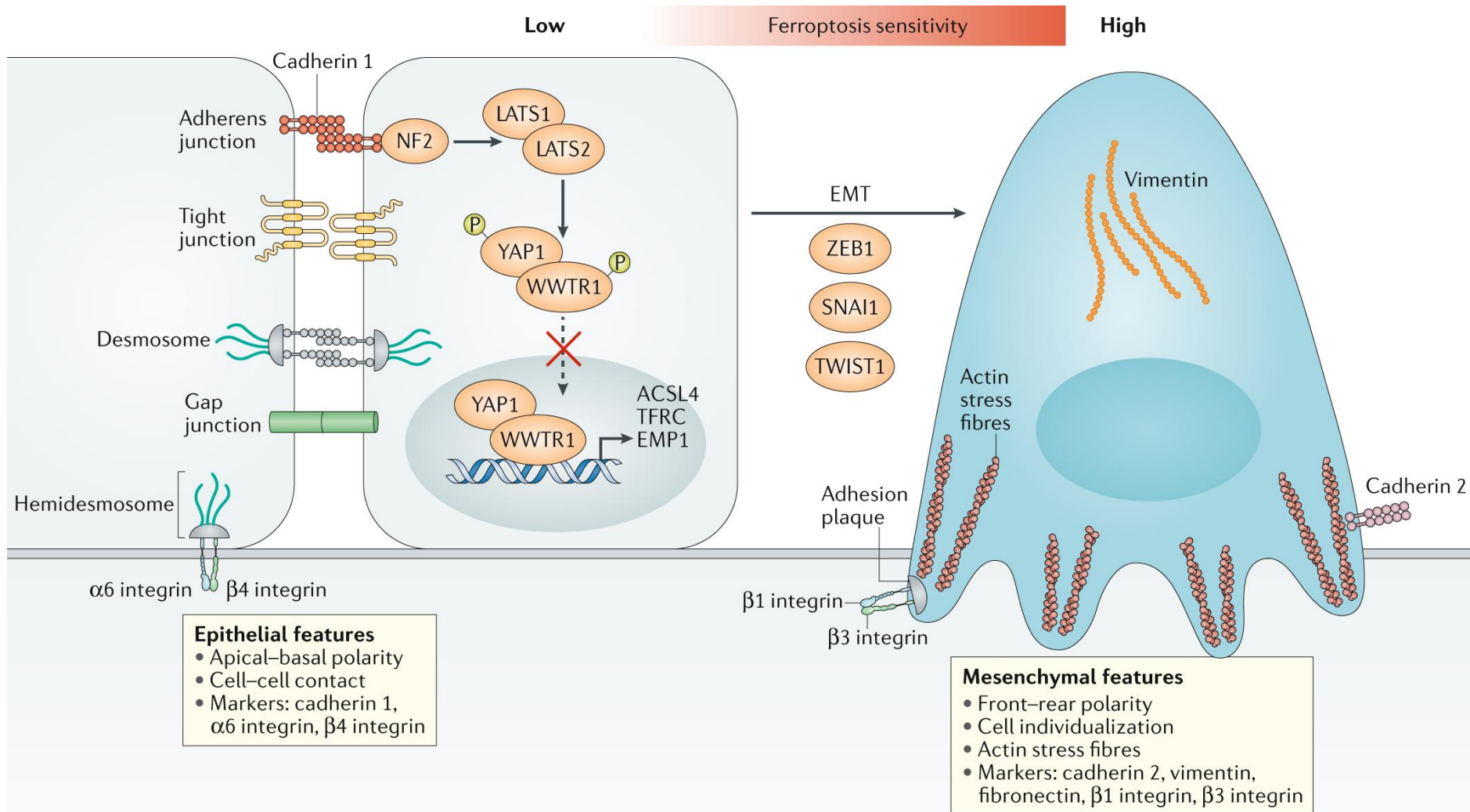


# Role of ferroptosis in Diseases

- **Neurodegenerative diseases** :Neurodegenerative diseases, such as Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease, are known to be associated with dysregulation of iron homeostasis and excessive ROS in the brain.
- **Alzheimer's disease** : It is one of the most common cause of dementia in aging individuals. It is characterized by progressive memory impairment and cognitive dysfunction

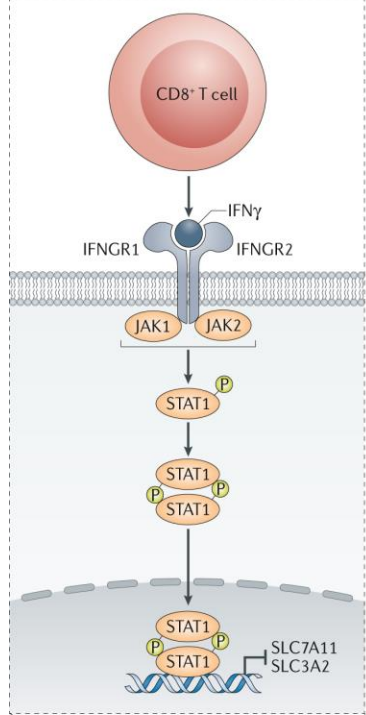
- **Parkinson's disease** : Parkinson's disease is the second most common neurodegenerative disease and it is characterized by the loss of dopaminergic neurons in the substantia nigra and eosinophilic inclusion bodies.
- **Other diseases:** Excessive accumulation of iron ions causes lipid peroxidation and tissue damage, leading to atherosclerosis and diabetes

# Cancer and ferroptosis

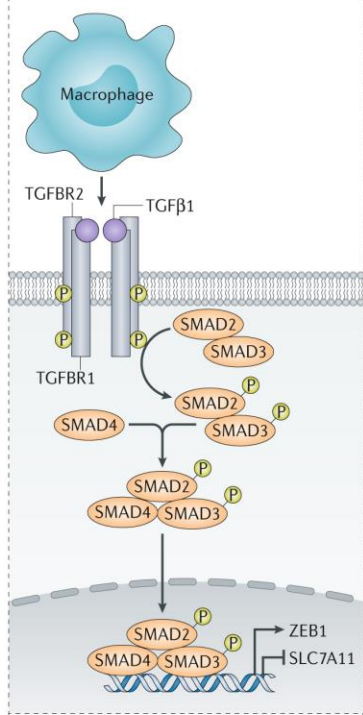


# Role of ferroptosis in tumour immunity

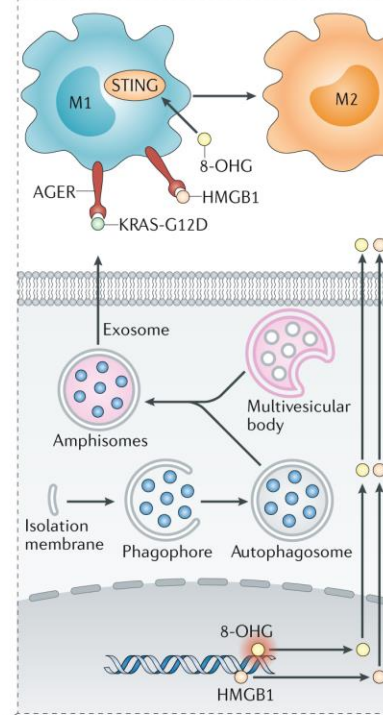
**a** Ferroptosis-inducing activity of IFN $\gamma$



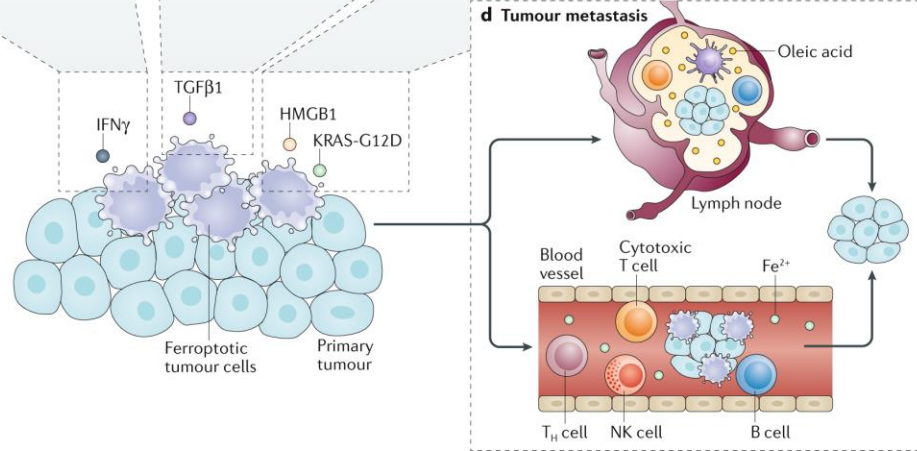
**b** Ferroptosis-inducing activity of TGF $\beta$ 1



**c** Immune-regulating effects of ferroptosis

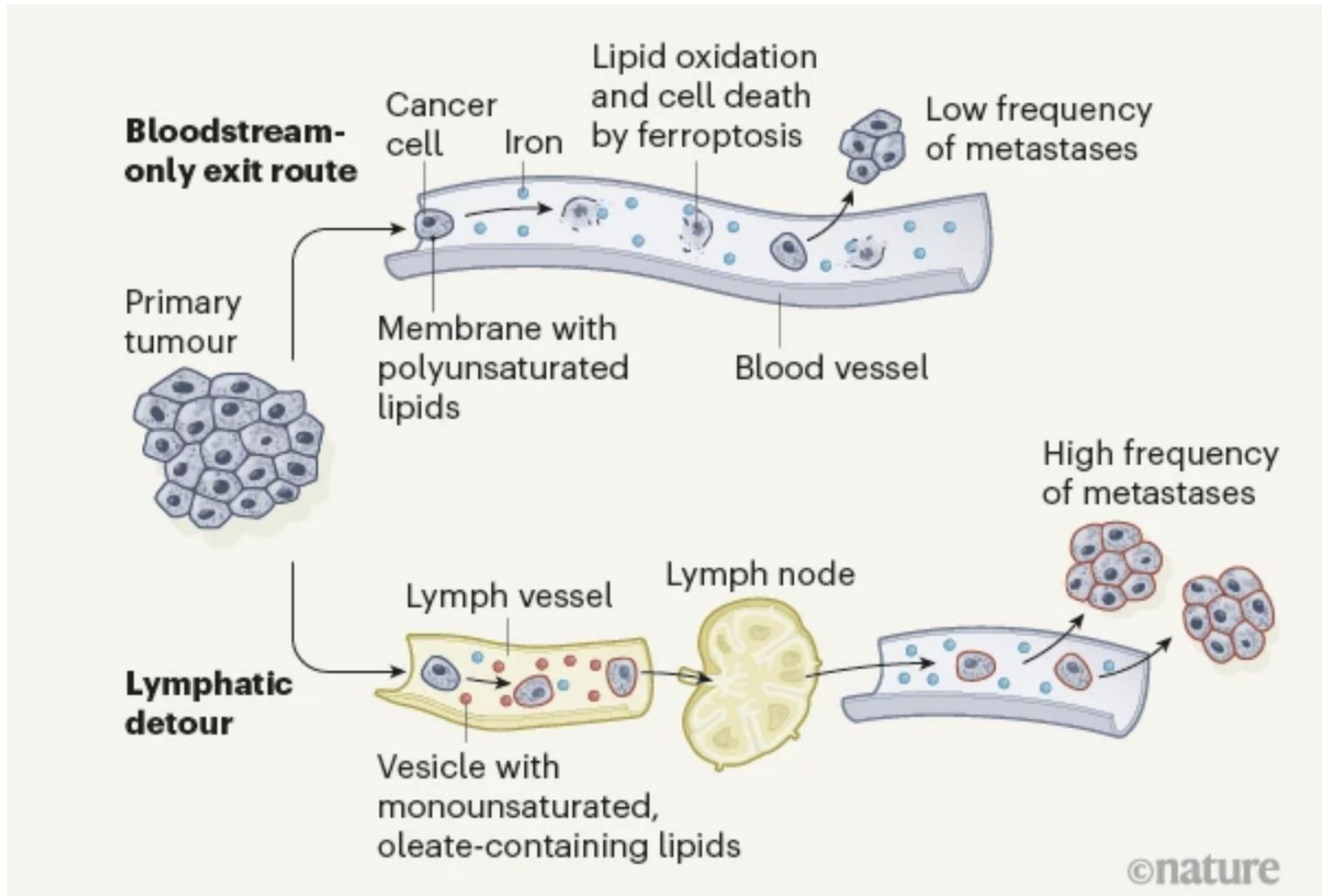


**d** Tumour metastasis





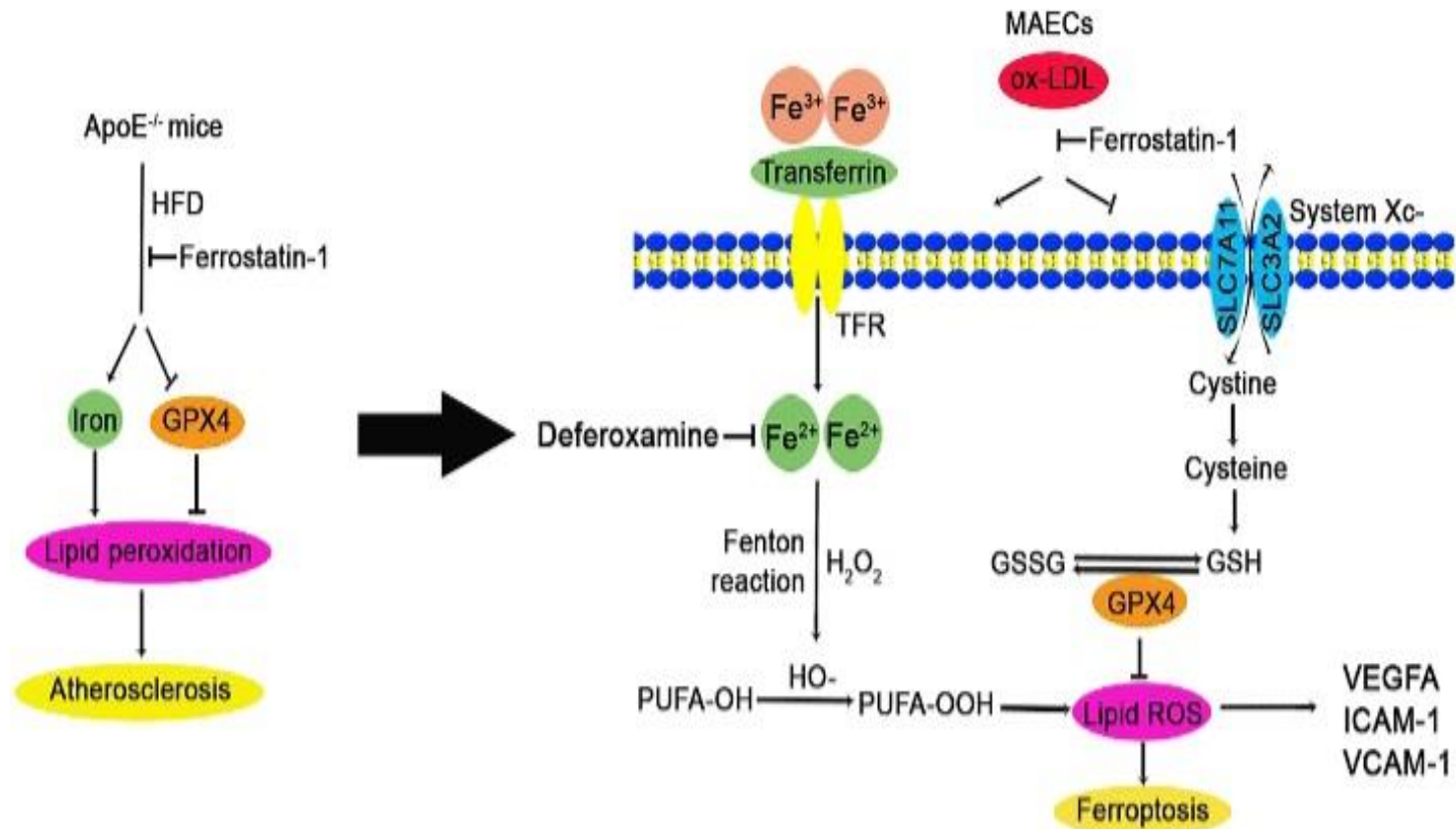
# Role of ferroptosis in melanoma spreading and metastasis



# Inhibitors of ferroptosis

- **Ferrostatin-1:** Fer-1 inhibits erastin and RSL-3 induced ferroptosis in HT1080 cells, which specially inhibits lipid peroxidation. SRS11-92 & SRS 16-186 ferrostatins show significant enhancement cellular metabolism and damage prevention.
- **Liproxstatin -1:** Lip-1 can inhibits ferroptosis at low nano molar dose, but it does not interfere with other typical cell death patterns. Similarly, BHT, N-acetylcystein antioxidants, alpha-tocopherol etc, can block ferroptosis by inhibiting the lipid peroxidation pathway.
- Ferroptosis can also be inhibited by iron chelator such as **Deferoxamine (DFO)** Since they prevent the inhibition of lipid peroxidation by inhibiting iron fenton reaction.

# Inhibitors of ferroptosis



**Table 1. Ferroptosis Stimuli**

Mechanism	Target	Compound/Drug	Phenotype and Readout	References
GPX4 inactivation due to GSH depletion (class I FINs)	system $X_C^-$	erastin	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO, Fer1, and Trolox	Dixon et al., 2012; Dolma et al., 2003
		piperazine erastin	increase in PTGS2 mRNA regression HT1080 xenografts	Yang et al., 2014
		imidazole ketone erastin (IKE)	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup>	Larraufie et al., 2015; Yang et al., 2016
		sulfasalazine	death inhibited by DFO, Fer1, and Trolox	Dixon et al., 2012; Gout et al., 2001
		sorafenib	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO and Fer1	Louandre et al., 2013
		glutamate	inhibited by CPX and Fer1	Dixon et al., 2012
	glutamate-cysteine ligase	buthionine sulfoximine (BSO)	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup>	Griffith, 1982; Yang et al., 2014
	glutathione S-transferase	artesunate	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO, Fer1, and Trolox	Eling et al., 2015; Hamacher-Brady et al., 2011; Lisewski et al., 2014
	unknown	DPI2	death inhibited by DFO and $\alpha$ -Toc	Yang et al., 2014
	[Cys] depletion	cyst(e)inase	reduced GSH levels regression of MDA-MB-361, DU145 and PC3 xenografts	Cramer et al., 2017
	ND dehydrogenase	BAY 87-2243	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by Fer1 and $\alpha$ -Toc	Basit et al., 2017; Schockel et al., 2015
GPX4 inactivation/depletion (class II, III FINs)	GPX4	1S,3R-RSL3 <sup>b,c</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO and Fer1 increase in PTGS2 mRNA HT1080 tumor regression	Dixon et al., 2012; Yang et al., 2014; Yang and Stockwell, 2008
		DPI7/ML162 <sup>b</sup> , DPI10/ML210 <sup>b</sup> , DPI12-13 <sup>b</sup> , DPI17-19 <sup>b</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup>	Weiwer et al., 2012; Yang et al., 2014
		altretamine <sup>b</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup>	Woo et al., 2015
		FIN56 <sup>b</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO and $\alpha$ -Toc	Gaschler et al., 2018a; Shimada et al., 2016b
		withaferin A <sup>c</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> in neuroblastoma cells death inhibited by DFO, Fer1 and $\alpha$ -Toc	Hassannia et al., 2018
	Squalene synthase	FIN56 <sup>b</sup>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO and $\alpha$ -Toc	Gaschler et al., 2018a; Shimada et al., 2016b
	HMG-CoA reductase	fluvastatin, lovastatin acid, simvastatin	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup>	Shimada et al., 2016b; Viswanathan et al., 2017

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**Table 1. Continued**

Mechanism	Target	Compound/Drug	Phenotype and Readout	References
Iron loading (class IV FINs)		hemoglobin	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by Fer1 in organotypic hippocampal slice cultures	<a href="#">Li et al., 2017</a>
		FeCl <sub>2</sub>	death inhibited by Fer1 in organotypic hippocampal slice cultures	<a href="#">Li et al., 2017</a>
		hemin	death inhibited by DFO and Fer1	<a href="#">Hassannia et al., 2018</a> ; <a href="#">Imoto et al., 2018</a> ; <a href="#">NaveenKumar et al., 2018</a>
		(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Fe(SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	death inhibited by Fer1	<a href="#">Hassannia et al., 2018</a>
		non-thermal plasma	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by DFO	<a href="#">Furuta et al., 2018</a> ; <a href="#">Shi et al., 2017</a>
		salinomycin	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by Fer1	<a href="#">Mai et al., 2017</a>
		amino acid depletion + Cornell dots	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by Fer1 and Trolox	<a href="#">Kim et al., 2016</a>
		amino acid depletion, cystine deprivation + holo-transferrin	death inhibited by Fer1	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2015</a>
	transferrin ↑ ferroportin-1 ↓	lapatinib + siramesine	death inhibited by DFO and Fer1	<a href="#">Ma et al., 2016</a>
Iron oxidation (class IV FINs)		FINO <sub>2</sub>	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> death inhibited by Fer1	<a href="#">Gaschler et al., 2018a</a>
Increase in LIP by HMOX1 ↑ (class IV FINs)	KEAP1 inactivation	withaferin A	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> in neuroblastoma death inhibited by DFO, Fer1 and α-Toc	<a href="#">Hassannia et al., 2018</a>
	IkBα	BAY 11-7085	death inhibited by Fer1, Lip1 and NAC	<a href="#">Chang et al., 2018</a>
Unknown		lanperisone	death inhibited by DFO and Trolox	<a href="#">Shaw et al., 2011</a>
		artemisinin derivatives	death inhibited by DFO and Fer1	<a href="#">Lin et al., 2016</a> ; <a href="#">Ooko et al., 2015</a>
		CIL41, CIL56, CIL69, CIL70, CIL75, and CIL79	lipid ROS <sup>a</sup> for CIL56 death inhibited by DFO and α-Toc	<a href="#">Shimada et al., 2016b</a>

α-Toc, α-tocopherol; CIL, caspase-3/7-independent lethal; CPX, ciclopirox olamine; DFO, deferoxamine; Fer1, ferrostatin-1; FIN, ferroptosis-inducing compound, GPX4, glutathione peroxidase 4; GSH, glutathione; HMOX1, heme oxygenase-1; IkBα, nuclear factor of κ light-chain polypeptide gene enhancer in B cell inhibitor α; KEAP1, kelch-like ECH-associated protein 1; LIP, labile iron pool; Lip1, liproxstatin-1; PTGS2, prostaglandin-endoperoxide synthase 2, ROS, reactive oxygen species; VDAC, voltage-dependent anion channel.

<sup>a</sup>Lipid ROS shown by C11-BODIPY staining.

<sup>b</sup>GPX4 inactivation shown using LC-MS-based GPX4 assay (PCOOH).

<sup>c</sup>Direct GPX4 binding shown through pull-down.

**Table 2. Modulators of Ferroptosis**

Gene	Protein	Function	Modulatory Effect	References
<b>Iron Metabolism</b>				
<i>TFRC</i>	transferrin receptor	cellular transferrin-iron uptake	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Yang and Stockwell, 2008</a> <a href="#">Gao et al., 2015, 2016</a>
<i>PHKG2</i>	phosphorylase kinase, $\gamma$ 2	activates glycogen phosphorylase to release glucose-1-phosphate from glycogen	iron regulatory function? knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Yang et al., 2016</a>
<i>IREB2</i>	iron response element-binding protein 2	RNA-binding protein that regulates iron levels in the cells by regulating the translation and stability of mRNAs that affect iron homeostasis upon iron depletion	knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by erastin or amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012;</a> <a href="#">Gao et al., 2016</a>
<i>HSBP1</i>	heat-shock 27-kDa protein 1	activated in heat stress response by heat-shock factor 1 (HSF1)	iron regulatory function? knockdown enhances erastin-induced ferroptosis <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i>	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2015</a>
<i>HMOX1</i>	heme oxygenase 1	catalyzes the degradation of heme to biliverdin, CO, and $Fe^{2+}$	inhibition or knockdown suppresses withaferin A-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Hassannia et al., 2018</a>
			inhibition or knockout suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Kwon et al., 2015</a>
			inhibition or knockdown suppresses BAY-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Chang et al., 2018</a>
<i>CISD1/mitoNEET</i>	CDGSH iron-sulfur domain 1	inhibits mitochondrial iron transport into the matrix	knockdown enhances erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Yuan et al., 2016a</a>
<i>NCOA4</i>	nuclear receptor coactivator 4	cargo receptor mediating ferritinophagy	knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2016</a>
			knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Hou et al., 2016</a>
<i>ACO1</i>	aconitase 1	iron-sulfur protein that converts citrate to isocitrate, controls iron inside cell	knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2016</a>
<i>FTH1</i>	ferritin heavy chain 1	subunit of major intracellular iron storage protein	expression level controls ferroptosis sensitivity	<a href="#">Yang and Stockwell, 2008</a>
			knockdown enhances erastin- or sorafenib-induced ferroptosis in hepatocellular carcinoma	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2016</a>
<i>STEAP3</i>	six-transmembrane epithelial antigen of prostate 3	metalloreductase converting $Fe^{3+}$ to $Fe^{2+}$	upregulated in response to erastin in bone marrow stromal cells	<a href="#">Song et al., 2016</a>
<i>FANCD2</i>	Fanconi anemia complementation group D2	nuclear protein involved in DNA damage repair	iron regulatory function? knockout enhances erastin-induced ferroptosis in bone marrow stromal cells	<a href="#">Song et al., 2016</a>
<i>NFS1</i>	cysteine desulfurase	enzyme involved in synthesizing iron-sulfur clusters using sulfur from cysteine	knockdown activates the iron-starvation response promoting erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Alvarez et al., 2017</a>

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**Table 2. Continued**

Gene	Protein	Function	Modulatory Effect	References
Lipid Metabolism				
<i>ACSF2</i>	acyl-CoA synthetase family member 2	regulation of mitochondrial fatty acid metabolism	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>
<i>CS</i>	citrate synthase	regulation of mitochondrial fatty acid metabolism	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>
<i>LPCAT3</i>	lysophosphatidylcholine acyltransferase 3	incorporation of acylated fatty acids into membranes by catalyzing the reacylation of lysophospholipids to phospholipids	identified in haploid cell genetic screen knockdown suppresses RSL3-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2015</a> <a href="#">Kagan et al., 2017</a>
<i>ACSL4</i>	acyl-CoA synthetase long-chain family member 4	converts free fatty acids (preferentially AA) into fatty acyl-CoAs	identified in haploid cell genetic screen knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis inhibition or knockout suppresses RSL3-induced ferroptosis inhibition or knockout suppresses erastin-, RSL3-, or GPX4-depletion-induced ferroptosis inhibition suppresses GPX4-depletion-induced damage <i>in vivo</i>	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2015</a> <a href="#">Yuan et al., 2016b</a> <a href="#">Kagan et al., 2017</a> <a href="#">Doll et al., 2017</a>
<i>ACSL3</i>	acyl-CoA synthetase long-chain family member 3	converts exogenous monounsaturated fatty acids (MUFAs) into fatty acyl-CoAs	required for MUFA-induced protection from erastin2-induced ferroptosis knockout attenuates MUFA-induced resistance to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Magtanong et al., 2018</a>
<i>ACACA</i>	Acetyl-CoA carboxylase alpha	Converts acetyl-CoA to malonyl-CoA, the rate-limiting step in fatty acid synthesis	identified in haploid cell genetic screen inhibition suppresses FIN56-, but not erastin- or RSL3-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2015</a> <a href="#">Dixon et al., 2015</a> ; <a href="#">Shimada et al., 2016b</a>
<i>GPX4</i>	glutathione peroxidase 4	lipid repair enzyme	inhibition or knockout induces ferroptosis	<a href="#">Yang et al., 2014</a>
<i>AKR1C</i>	aldo-keto reductase family 1 member C1	regulate the detoxification of oxidative lipid breakdown products	upregulation confers protection against erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2014</a>
<i>LOX</i>	lipoxygenase-12/15	catalyzes the dioxygenation of polyunsaturated fatty acids in lipids	inhibition or knockout suppresses GPX4-depletion-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Seiler et al., 2008</a>
	lipoxygenases		knockout protects against imidazole keto erastin (IKE)-, but not RSL3-induced ferroptosis inhibition protects against erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Yang et al., 2016</a>
<i>PEBP1</i>	phosphatidylethanolamine-binding protein 1	protein scaffold	controls substrate specificity of LOX15 knockdown suppresses RSL3-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Wenzel et al., 2017</a>
<i>ZEB1</i>	zinc finger E-box-binding homeobox 1	EMT regulator and lipogenic factor	knockout suppresses GPX4-depletion-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Viswanathan et al., 2017</a>

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SQS/FDFT1	squalene synthase/farnesyl-diphosphate farnesyltransferase 1	responsible for synthesis of squalene and involved in cholesterol synthesis	knockdown or inhibition suppresses FIN-56-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Shimada et al., 2016b</a>
			knockout or inhibition sensitizes SQLE-deficient anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL) cells to ML162-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Garcia-Bermudez et al., 2019</a>
SQLE	squalene monooxygenase	catalyzes the conversion of squalene to squalene-2,3-epoxide and involved in cholesterol synthesis	overexpression sensitizes SQLE-deficient ALCL cells to ML162-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Garcia-Bermudez et al., 2019</a>
HMGCR	3-hydroxy-3-methyl-glutaryl-coenzyme A reductase	synthesis of mevalonic acid	inhibition enhances FIN-56-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Shimada et al., 2016b</a>
FADS2	fatty acid desaturase 2/acyl-CoA 6-desaturase	involved in biosynthesis of highly unsaturated fatty acids, desaturates palmitate to produce the monounsaturated fatty acid sapienate	knockdown decreases sapienate production and suppresses RSL3- induced lipid peroxidation in HUH7 liver cancer cells	<a href="#">Vriens et al., 2019</a>
<b>(Anti)oxidant Metabolism</b>				
NRF2	nuclear factor erythroid 2-related factor 2	key regulator of anti-oxidant response including the expression of system $X_c^-$	inhibition or knockdown enhances erastin- or sorafenib-induced ferroptosis in hepatocellular carcinoma <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i>	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2016</a>
			knockdown enhances artesunate-induced ferroptosis in head and neck cancer <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i>	<a href="#">Roh et al., 2017</a>
			overexpression confers resistance to erastin- and RSL3-induced ferroptosis in glioma cells, while knockdown enhances ferroptosis	<a href="#">Fan et al., 2017</a>
KEAP1	kelch-like ECH- associated protein 1	binds to and regulates NRF2 by keeping its levels at control	overexpression enhances erastin- and RSL3-induced ferroptosis in glioma cells, while knockdown confers resistance to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Fan et al., 2017</a>
			knockdown confers resistance to artesunate-induced ferroptosis in head and neck cancer	<a href="#">Roh et al., 2017</a>
HMOX1	heme oxygenase 1	catalyzes the degradation of heme to biliverdin, CO, and $Fe^{2+}$	knockout enhances erastin-induced ferroptosis in proximal tubular cells	<a href="#">Adedoyin et al., 2018</a>
			knockout enhances erastin- and sorafenib-induced ferroptosis in hepatocellular carcinoma cells	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2016</a>
NQO1	quinone oxidoreductase-1	reduces quinones to hydroquinones	knockdown enhances erastin- and sorafenib-induced ferroptosis in hepatocellular carcinoma cells	<a href="#">Sun et al., 2016</a>
SLC7A11	solute carrier family 7 member 11	subunit of system $X_c^-$ to import cystine in the cell	inhibition induces ferroptosis	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>

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<i>GCLC</i>	glutamate-cysteine ligase catalytic subunit	enzyme involved in GSH synthesis	inhibition induces ferroptosis	<a href="#">Yang et al., 2014</a>
<i>CARS</i>	cysteinyl-tRNA synthetase	protein translation	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis through compensatory activation of transsulfuration pathway [Cys]↑	<a href="#">Hayano et al., 2016</a>
<i>CBS</i>	cystathionine-β-synthase	converts homocysteine to cystathionine	inhibition or knockdown resensitizes erastin-induced ferroptosis in <i>CARS</i> knockdown cells	<a href="#">Hayano et al., 2016</a>
<i>NOX</i>	NADPH oxidase	superoxide-producing enzymes	inhibition suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis in non-small cell lung cancer cells	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>
<i>ABCC1/MRP1</i>	multidrug-resistance protein 1	mediates GSH and chemotherapeutics efflux from cells	overexpression sensitizes to ferroptosis induced by erastin2 and cyst(e)inase, RSL3 and ML162	<a href="#">Cao et al., 2019</a>
Energy Metabolism				
<i>SLC1A5</i>	solute carrier family 1 member 5	amino acid transporter feeding glutaminolysis	inhibition or knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2015</a>
<i>GLS2</i>	glutaminase 2	converts glutamine to glutamate	inhibition or knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by erastin or amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2015</a>
<i>GOT1</i>	glutamic-oxaloacetic transaminase 1	involved in synthesis of α-ketoglutarate from glutamate	inhibition suppresses ferroptosis induced by erastin or amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2015</a>
<i>microRNA 137</i>		targets and regulates SLC1A5 levels	overexpression suppresses SLC1A5 and confers resistance to erastin- and RSL3-induced ferroptosis, while inhibition sensitizes to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Luo et al., 2018</a>
<i>G6PD</i>	glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase	involved in pentose phosphate pathway	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis in non-small cell lung cancer cells Calu-1	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>
			knockdown suppresses ferroptosis induced by amino acid/cystine deprivation	<a href="#">Gao et al., 2016</a>
<i>PGD</i>	phosphoglycerate dehydrogenase	involved in pentose phosphate pathway	knockdown suppresses erastin-induced ferroptosis in non-small cell lung cancer cells Calu-1	<a href="#">Dixon et al., 2012</a>

**Table 3. Regulation of Ferroptosis by Cancer Metabolism**

Gene	Protein	Function	Modulatory Effect	References
<i>TP53</i>	wild-type p53	tumor suppressor	knockout/knockdown increases cystine uptake and suppresses ferroptosis in osteosarcoma U2OS and breast cancer MCF7 cells	<a href="#">Jiang et al., 2015</a> ; <a href="#">Xie et al., 2017</a>
			knockdown sensitizes colorectal cancer HCT116 and SW48 cell to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Xie et al., 2017</a>
			stabilization with nutlin-3 in mouse embryonic fibroblasts, HT-1080 fibrosarcoma, renal cancer Caki-1, and osteosarcoma U2OS cells suppresses ferroptosis	<a href="#">Tarangelo et al., 2018</a>
	mutated p53 <sup>3KR</sup>	triple acetylation-defective mutant (K117/161/162) that fails to induce cell-cycle arrest, senescence, and apoptosis	retains the ability to regulate SLC7A11 expression and induce ferroptosis	<a href="#">Jiang et al., 2015</a>
	Mutated p53 <sup>S47</sup>	nonsynonymous single-nucleotide polymorphism at codon 47 in African-descent populations	impaired ferroptosis induction in p53 <sup>S47</sup> knockin MEF cells intact ferroptosis induction in E1A/Ras-transformed p53 <sup>S47</sup> knockin cells	<a href="#">Jennis et al., 2016</a> <a href="#">Basu et al., 2016</a>
	mutated p53 <sup>4KR</sup>	quadruple acetylation-defective mutant (K98/117/161/162) that fails to induce cell-cycle arrest, senescence, and apoptosis	impaired ferroptosis induction and loss of tumor-suppressor activity	<a href="#">Wang et al., 2016</a>
	mutated p53	missense mutations (R273H, R175H) that impair p53 sequence-specific binding to DNA	accumulated mutant-p53 protein sensitizes esophageal and lung cancer cells to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Liu et al., 2017</a>
<i>BAP1</i>	BRCA1-associated protein 1	nuclear deubiquitinating epigenetically regulates gene expression	promotes ferroptosis by repression of SLC7A11 expression	<a href="#">Zhang et al., 2018</a>
<i>CDKN1A</i>	cyclin-dependent kinase (CDK) inhibitor 1A (p21)	inhibits CDK causing cell-cycle arrest	overexpression confers resistance to erastin2-induced ferroptosis (by retarding GSH depletion?)	<a href="#">Tarangelo et al., 2018</a>
<i>SAT1</i>	spermidine/spermine N1-acetyltransferase 1	acetylates spermidine and spermine	transcription target of p53 overexpression leads to ferroptosis upon ROS stress knockout suppresses p53-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Ou et al., 2016</a>
<i>SOCS1</i>	suppressor of cytokine signaling 1	cytokine-induced negative regulators of cytokine signaling	regulates p53 expression and sensitizes cells to ferroptosis	<a href="#">Saint-Germain et al., 2017</a>
<i>TP63</i>	ΔN tumor protein 63α	oncogene	orchestrates GSH metabolism overexpression confers resistance to erastin- or RSL3-induced ferroptosis, while knockdown enhances ferroptosis	<a href="#">Wang et al., 2017a</a>
<i>OTUB1</i>	ovarian tumor (OTU) family member deubiquitinase	directly interacts with SLC7A11 and regulates SLC7A11 stability	suppresses ferroptosis by stabilizing SLC7A11 knockout sensitizes to erastin-induced ferroptosis	<a href="#">Liu et al., 2019</a>

# Take home message

- Ferroptosis is a recently discovered form of programmed cell death distinct from apoptosis, necrosis and autophagy.
- It has a GPX4 and FSP1 mechanisms of inhibition
- Excessive accumulation of iron ion causes lipid peroxidation and tissue damage leading to atherosclerosis and neurodegenerative diseases.
- Deferoxamine and ferrosatin-1 inhibits ferroptosis which does not allow to produce lipid peroxidation