

Name two anemias seen in patients with gastrectomy.

- 1) Pernicious anemia :-
 - due to intrinsic factor deficiency.
- 2) Iron deficiency anemia :-
 - Dietary iron - ferric form (Fe^{3+}).
 - Iron absorbable - ferrous form (Fe^{2+}).
 - Conversion requires gastric acid.

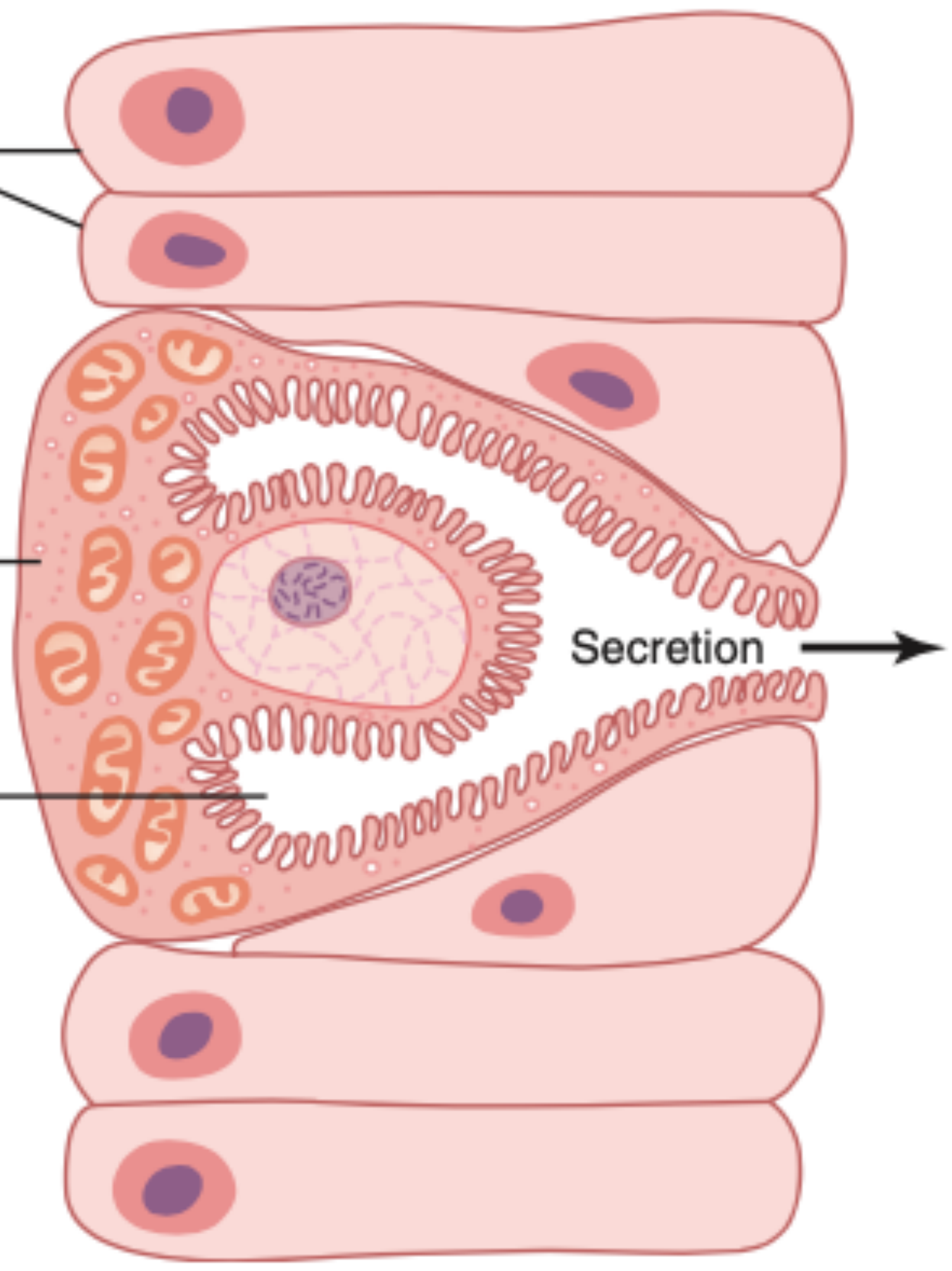
Gastric HCl secretion

Mucous
neck cells

Oxyntic
(parietal)
cell

Canaliculi

Secretion



MECHANISM of ACID SECRETION

- DAVENPORT & FISHER.
- 2 step process :
 - Secretion of H^+ .
 - Secretion of Cl^- .

- APICAL membrane :

- Proton pump (H^+ K^+ ATPase).
- Chloride channels.
- Leaky K^+ channels.

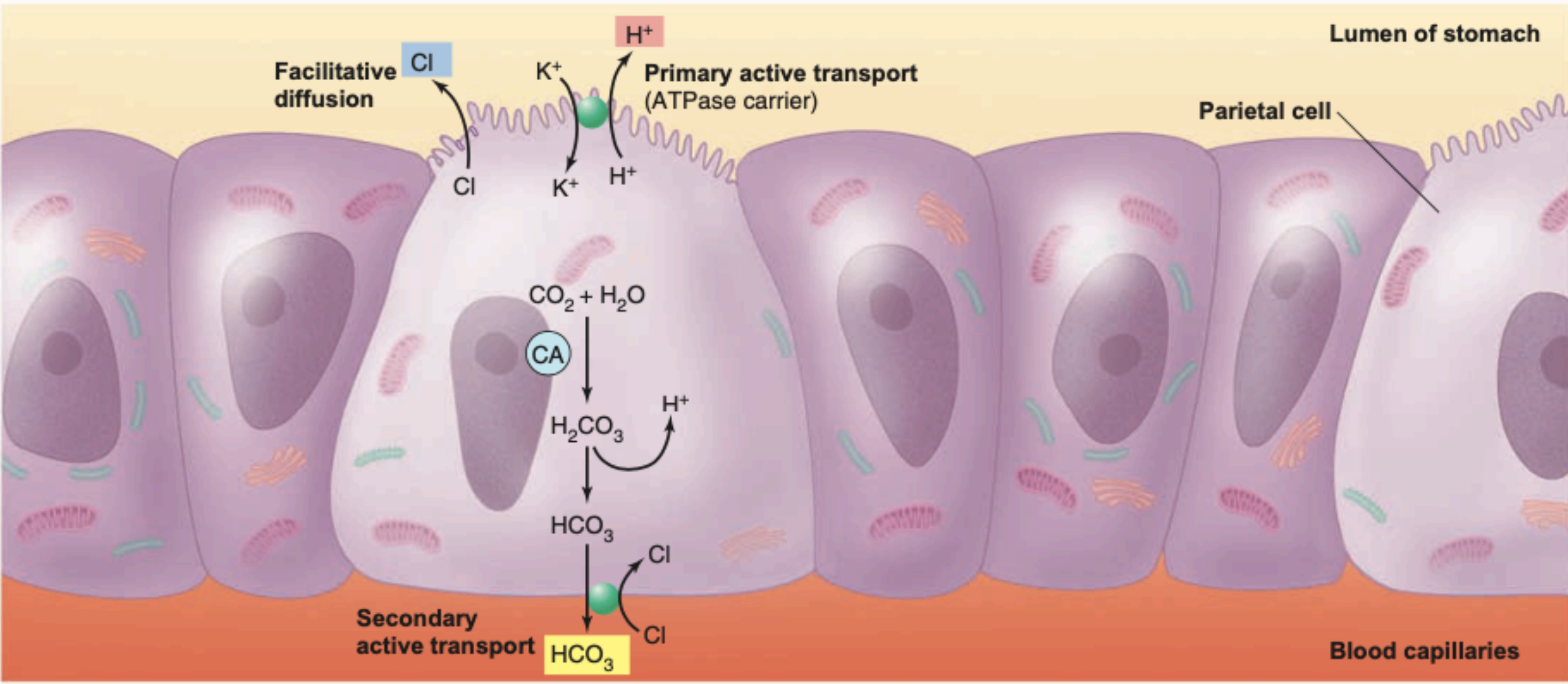
- BASOLATERAL membrane :

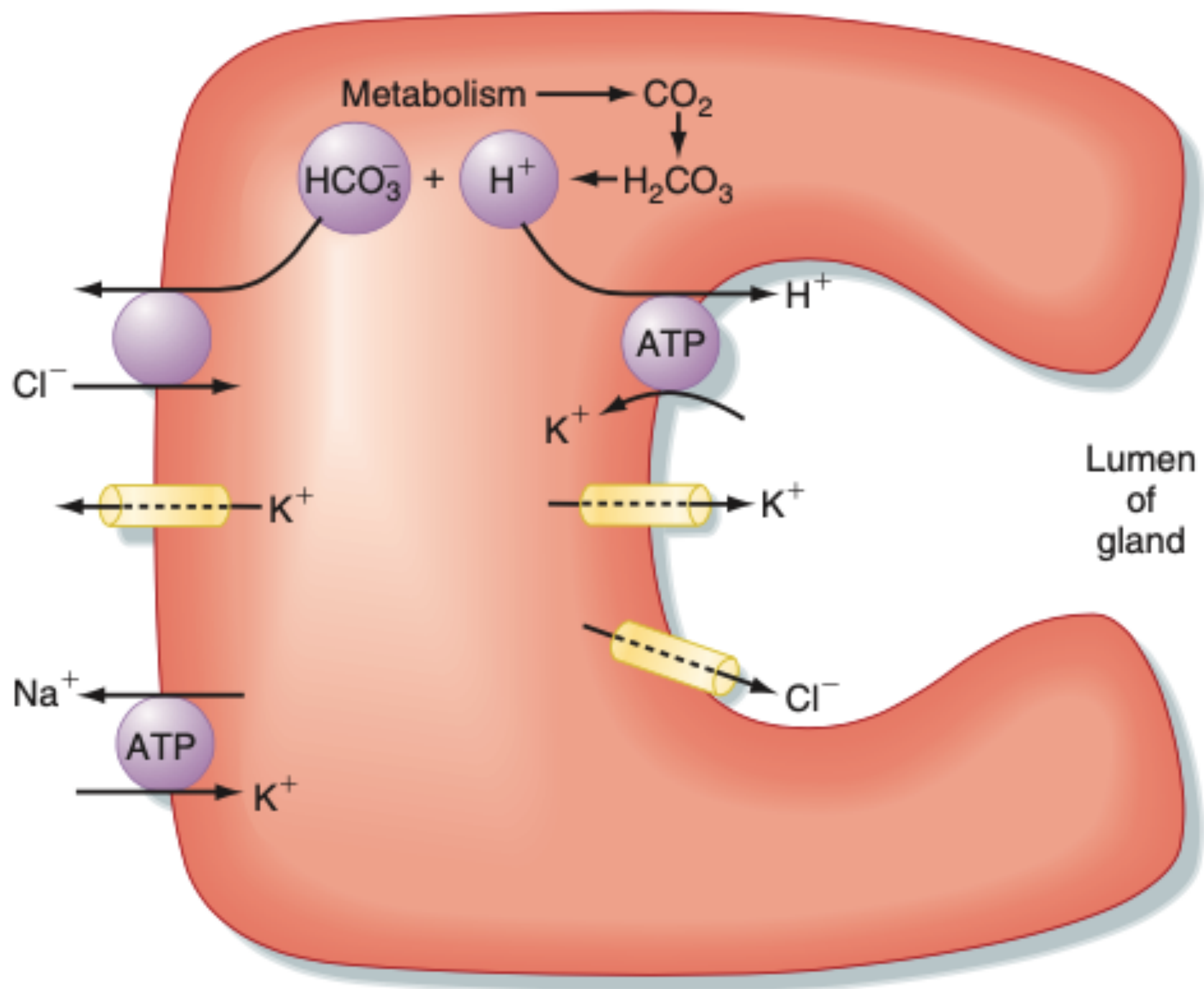
- Cl^- / HCO_3^- exchanger.
- Na^+ K^+ ATPase.
- Leaky K^+ channels.

MECHANISM of ACID SECRETION

1. **CO₂** (tissue metabolism) + **H₂O** —> **H₂CO₃** (Carbonic Anhydrase).
2. **H₂CO₃ —> H⁺ + HCO₃⁻.**
3. At apical membrane; H⁺ secreted into lumen in exchange for K⁺ by proton pump (H⁺ K⁺ ATPase : primary active transport).
4. K⁺ moves out of the cell by leaky channels on apical & basolateral membrane.

5. At basolateral membrane; HCO_3^- released into blood in exchange for Cl^- via a Cl^- HCO_3^- exchanger.
6. **Na^+ K^+ ATPase** exchanges **3Na^+** out in exchange for **2K^+** ions.
7. Cl^- passively moves out into the canaliculi down its electrochemical gradient.
8. In the canalicular lumen, **H^+ & Cl^- combines to form HCl** which is then secreted into gastric lumen.





For every H^+ ion secreted into gastric lumen; one HCO_3^- is absorbed into blood :

POSTPRANDIAL ALKALINE TIDE.

(Blood & urine).

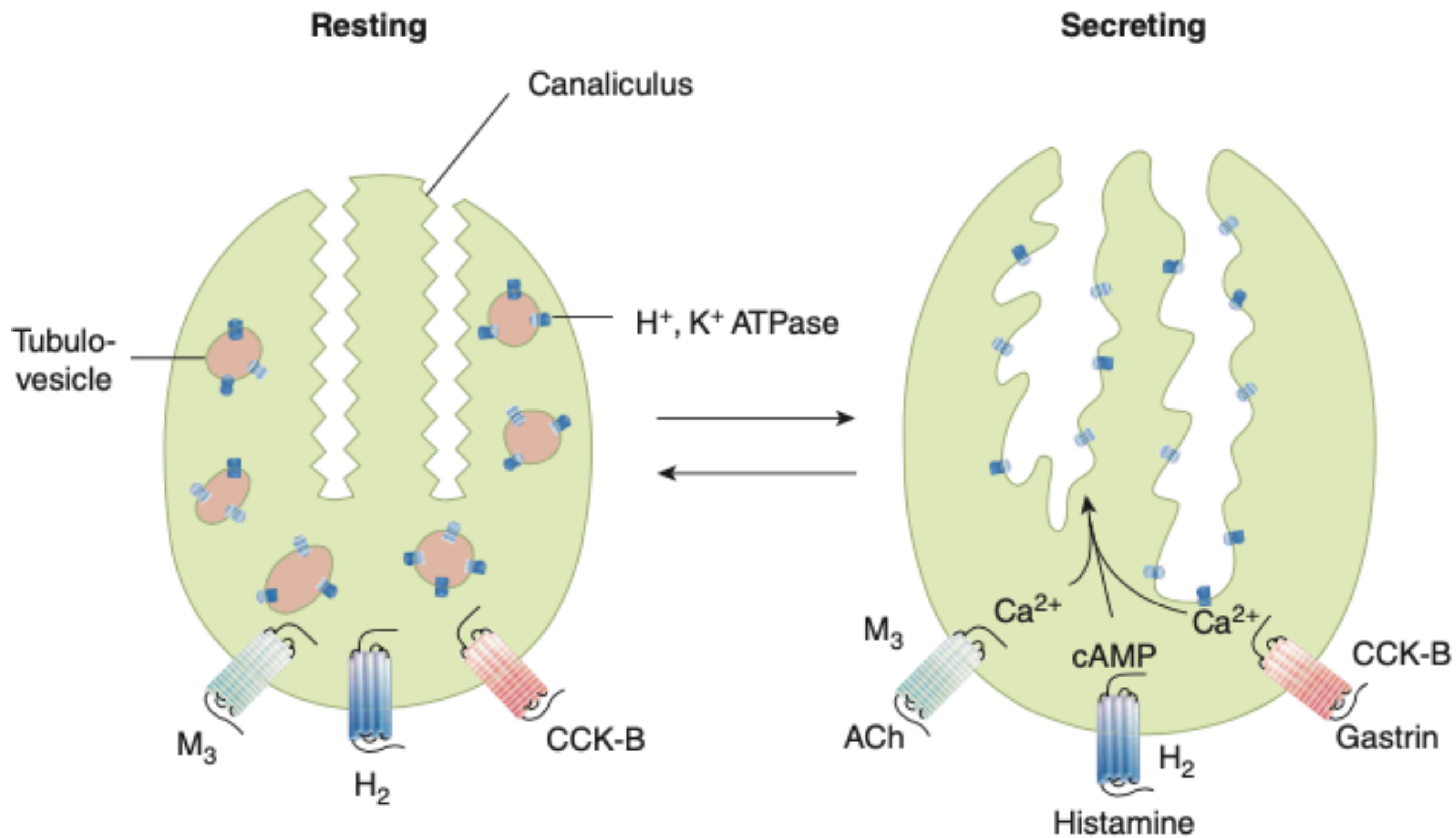
REGULATION of ACID SECRETION

- **STIMULATORS**

- Parasympathetic stimulation
- Histamine
- Gastrin
- Hypoglycaemia
- Caffeine, alcohol, Stress, NSAIDs

- **INHIBITORS**

- Somatostatin
- Low pH in stomach
- Secretin, Cholecystokinin
- Prostaglandins.
- Sympathetic stimulation
- Hyperglycaemia.



STIMULATION OF HCl SECRETION

- **1) ACETYLCHOLINE:**
 - Secreted by Cholinergic nerve endings.
 - Direct action : Binds to M3 muscarinic receptors on parietal cells.
 - Opens a Ca^{2+} channels :- increase intracellular Ca^{2+} :- stimulate acid secretion.
 - Indirect action : stimulating ECL cells to secrete histamine.
 - *Blocked by ATROPINE.*

- **2) HISTAMINE :-**

- Released by ECL cells.
- Paracrine action on nearby parietal cells.
- Binds to H2 receptors.
- Activate adenylyl cyclase : increase cAMP levels :- increases acid production in parietal cells.
- *Blocked by H2 receptor blockers : RANITIDINE, CIMETIDINE.*

- **3) GASTRIN :-**

- Secreted by G cells in antrum.
- Endocrine action : reaches by blood.
- Binds to CCK-B receptors on parietal cells.
- Increases acid secretion by Ca^{2+} pathway.
- Also stimulates Histamine release.

- 3 agents : Acetylcholine, Histamine, Gastrin.
- Potentiate each other's action : **SYNERGISM**.
- *Physiological significance* :
 - high rate of change of gastric secretion achieved by even a small rise in stimuli release.
- *Therapeutic significance* :
 - Secretion markedly inhibited by blocking action of only one of triggers (most commonly *Histamine :- H2 antagonists*).

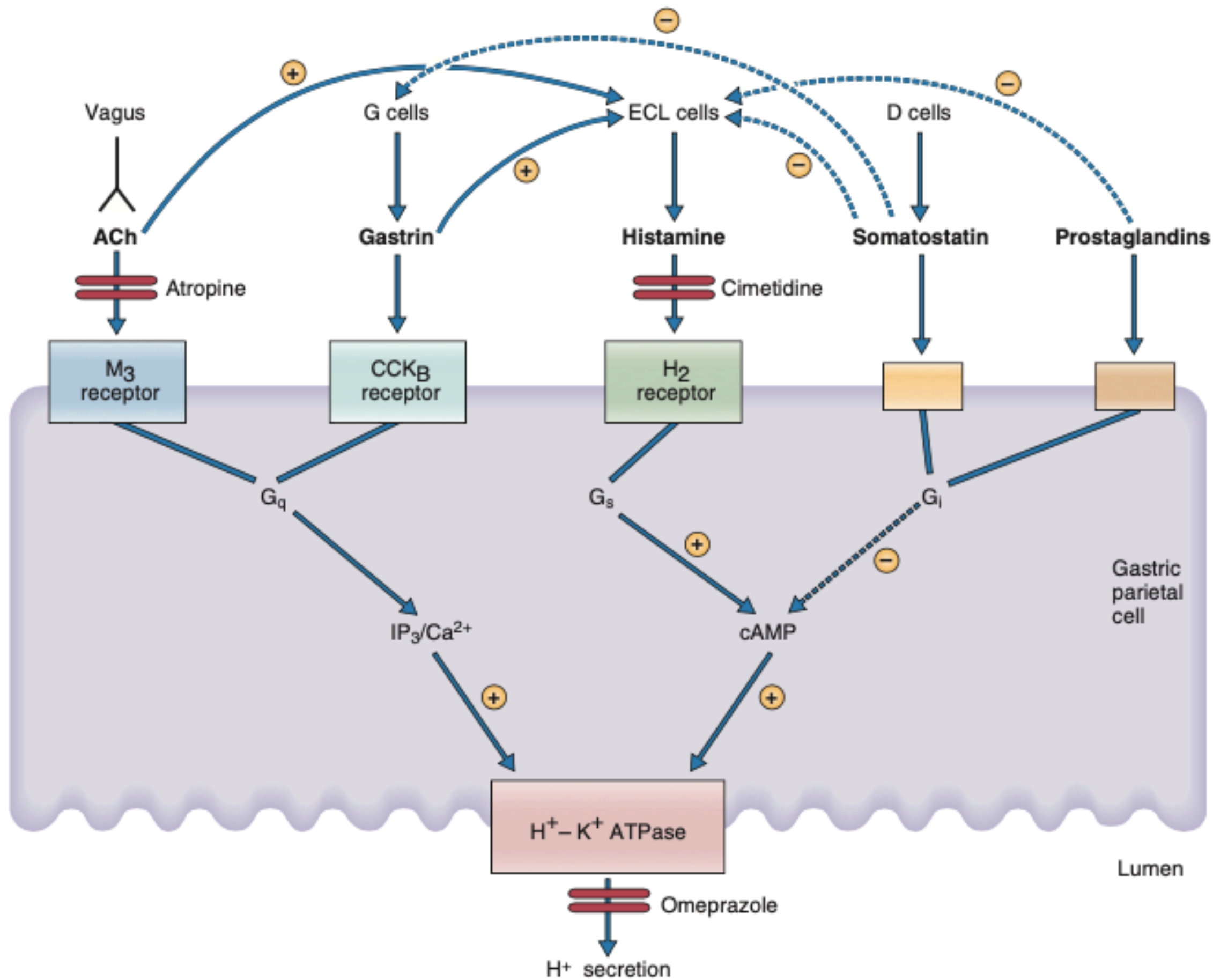
- VAGUS (parasympathetic stimulation) : most potent stimulator of HCl secretion.
 - Acts directly on M3 receptors via Acetylcholine.
 - Release of gastrin by G cells via GRP.
 - Release of Histamine by stimulating ECL cells.

- ATROPINE

- Will not block acid secretion completely?
- Dual action of vagal stimulation.
- Muscarinic blocker alone.

INHIBITION OF HCl SECRETION

- SOMATOSTATIN :-
 - Secreted by D cells.
 - Inhibit Histamine secretion & acid secretion by Gi pathway.
- PROSTAGLANDINS E & I :-
 - Lowers cAMP concentration & inhibits acid secretion.



PHASES of GASTRIC ACID SECERTION

- Interdigestive phase or basal secretion.
- Cephalic phase
- Gastric phase
- Intestinal phase.

INTERDIGESTIVE/ BASAL SECRETION

- No stimulation from brain or GI tract.
- Basal rate of secretion between meals.
- Secretion : almost entirely mucus, little pepsin & almost no acid.
- Raised in *abnormal conditions : emotional stimuli, Duodenal ulcer.*

CEPHALIC PHASE

- Sight, smell, taste or even thought of food.
- Occurs even before food enters stomach.
- 30% of total gastric acid secretion in response to a meal.
- Conditioned & unconditioned reflexes.
- Mediated by Vagus.
- Pathway :
 - Cortex & appetite centers of Amygdala & Hypothalamus
—> VAGUS (Acetylcholine & Gastrin).

- **SHAM FEEDING :**

- Experimental evidence for cephalic phase of secretion.
- Experimental animal : dog.
- Esophagus is exposed in neck & divided with two ends exposed to exterior.
- When dog eats, food comes out of esophagus in neck.
- Cannula inserted in stomach : collect gastric juice.

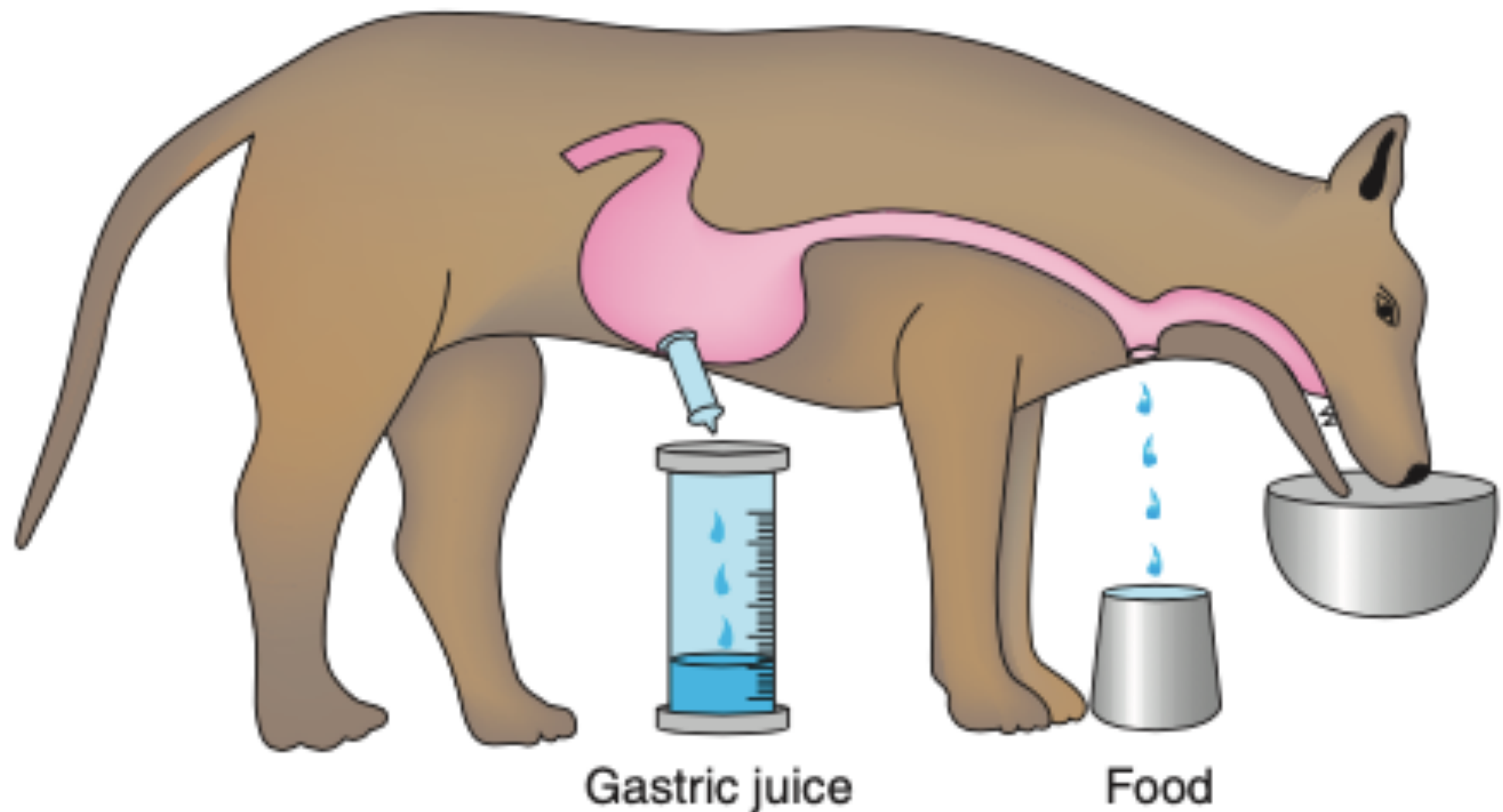


Fig. 7.3-10 Sham feeding experiment to demonstrate initiation of cephalic phase of gastric secretion.

- Observation :

- when dog eats, gastric secretion increases even if food doesn't reach stomach.
- Secretion stops in case of ***total vagotomy***.

- Inference :

- cephalic phase of gastric secretion exists.
- mediated by vagus.

GASTRIC PHASE

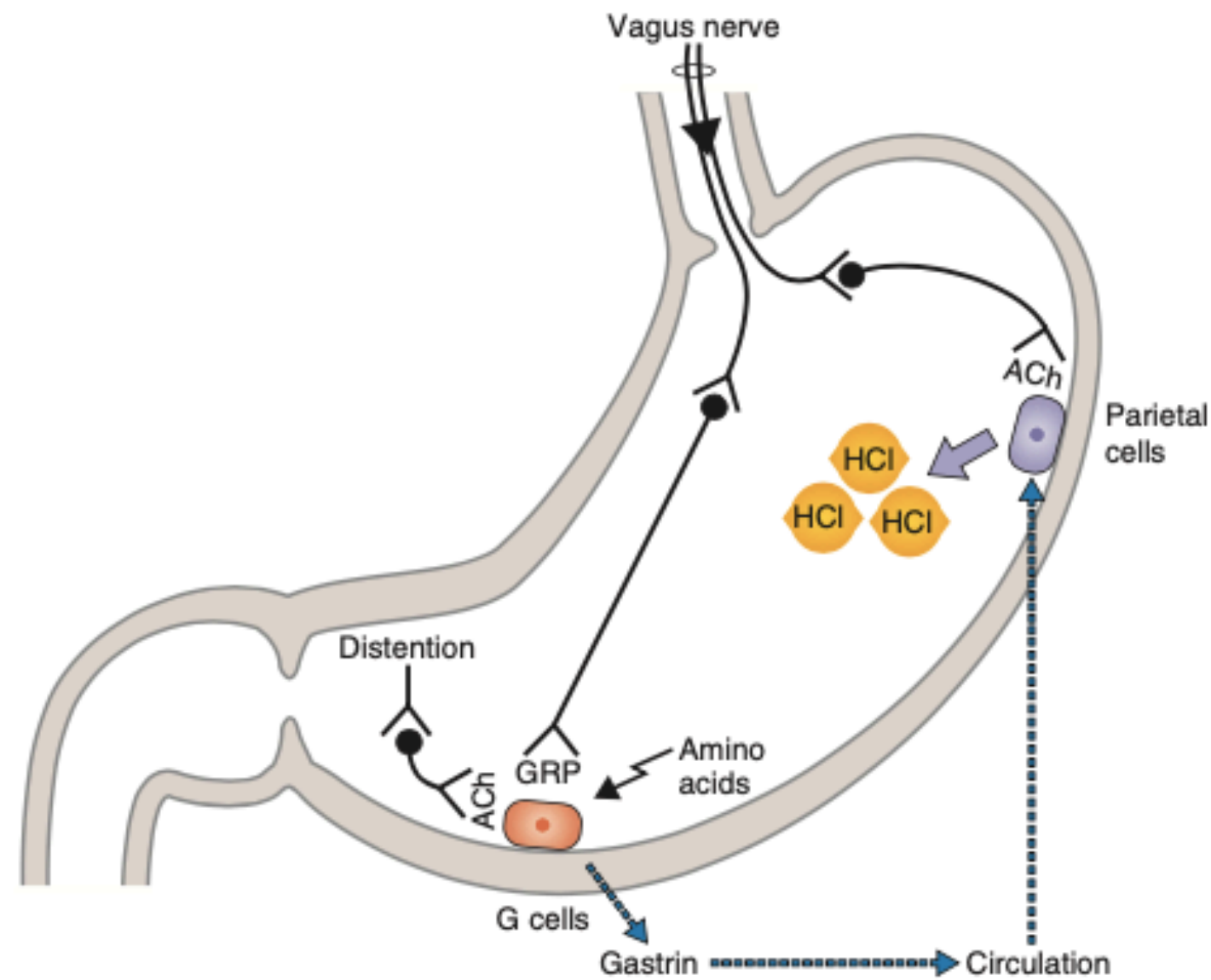
- 70% of secretion.
- Starts when food enters stomach.
- Distension of stomach : detected by stretch receptors —> vagus.
- Mediated by
 1. Long Vago-vagal reflexes.
 2. Local enteric reflexes.
 3. Gastrin - Histamine mechanism.

INTESTINAL PHASE

- 10% of secretion.
- Partially digested acidic chyme reached intestine.
- Mediated by GASTRIN (intestinal G cells).

- Net effect of intestinal phase : **INHIBITION** of gastric secretion.
- Acidic chyme in duodenum :
 - Enterogastric reflex & Secretin (S cells).
- Fatty food content :
 - CCK, GIP, VIP, Glucagon.
- Purpose : slow passage of chyme from stomach into an already filled intestinal lumen.

REGULATION OF HCl SECRETION



Phase	% of HCl Secretion	Stimuli	Mechanisms
Cephalic	30%	Smell, taste, conditioning	Vagus → parietal cell Vagus → gastrin → parietal cell
Gastric	60%	Distention	Vagus → parietal cell Vagus → gastrin → parietal cell
		Distention of antrum	Local reflex → gastrin → parietal cell
		Amino acids, small peptides	Gastrin → parietal cell

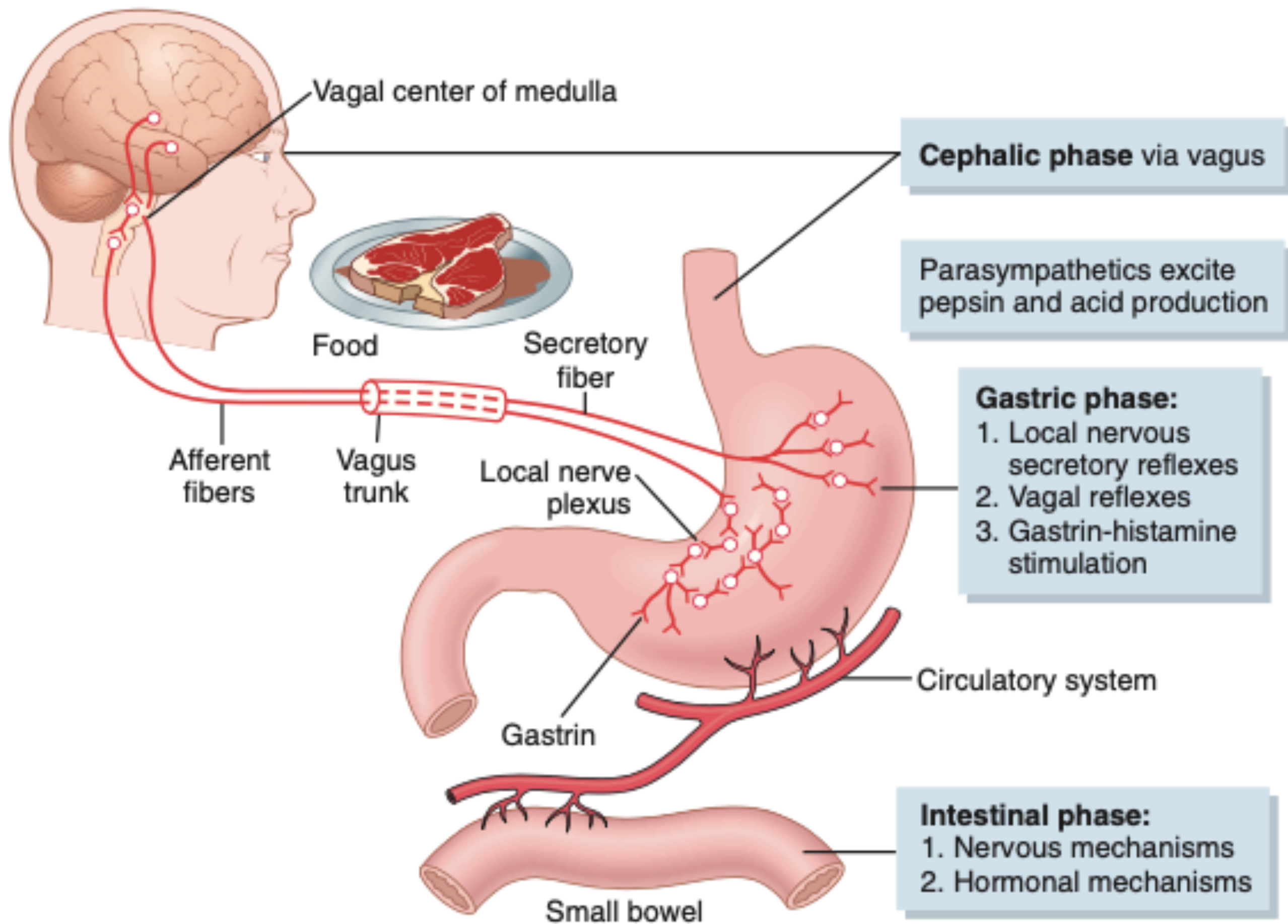


Figure 65-7. Phases of gastric secretion and their regulation.