## Heterocyclic hydrocarbons containing nitrogen

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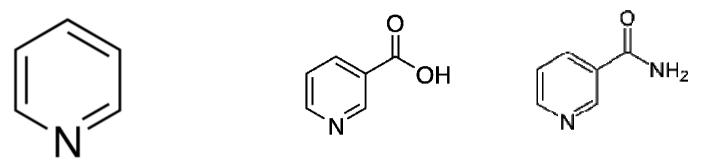
## pyrrole - aromatic, component of "tetrapyrroles"

bilirubin (linear tetrapyrrole)

$$H_3C$$
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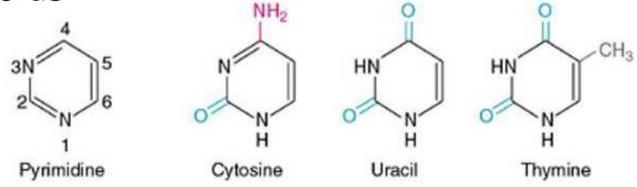
heme (cyclic tetrapyrrole)
= prosthetic group of
hemoglobin and other
hemoproteins

## pyridine - aromatic, component of vitamin B3



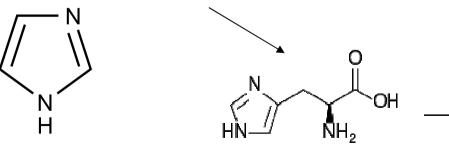
vitamin B3 = nicotinic acid or nicotinamide

pyrimidine - aromatic, its derivatives are bases of nucleic acids



purine - aromatic, its derivatives are bases of nucleic acids

imidazole - aromatic, component of amino acid histidine and its derivative histamine



## indole - aromatic, component of amino acid tryptophan and its derivative serotonin

nicotine - aromatic, component of cigarettes

$$CH_3$$

consists of pyridine and pyrrolidin rings