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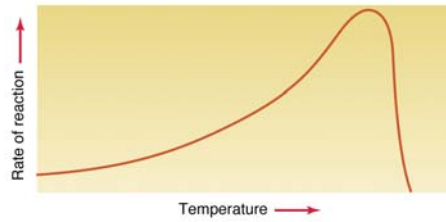
Vertebrate Physiology
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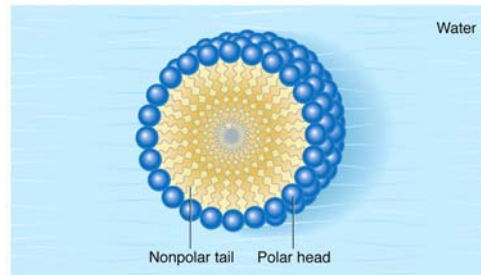
1. Biochem Blitz (Chap 2)

- Cells
- Membranes
- Molecules
- Pathways

(a) Enzyme activity versus temperature



(b)



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Housekeeping, 23 January 2008



Upcoming Readings

today: [Textbook](#), chapter 2&3

LAB Wed 23 Jan: [Lienhard et al. 1992](#), [Nesse & Williams 1998](#)
(see website for links to papers, or get via email)

Fri 25 Jan: [Textbook](#) chapter 3

Mon 28 Jan: [Ch 10](#)

Lab discussion leaders: 23 Jan	Lab discussion leaders: 30 Jan
1pm – Allison , Rachel	1pm – Josh , Seth
3pm – Kelsey , Sean	3pm – Aaron , Adam

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Organism-level
Approaches

- Physiological State

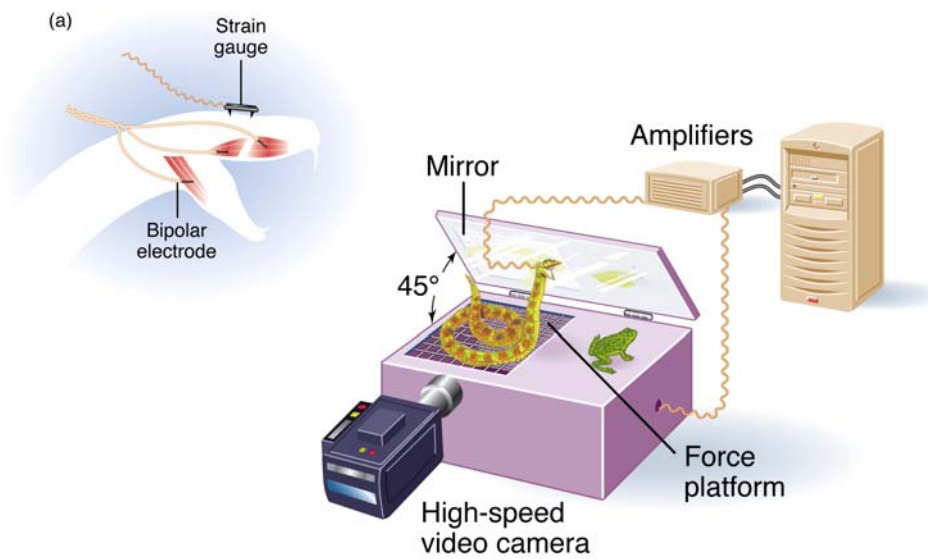
- Sleeping
- Resting
- Alert
- Exercising
- Stress-level
- Fasting or Fed

- Age
- Sex
- Season
- Reproductive Condition

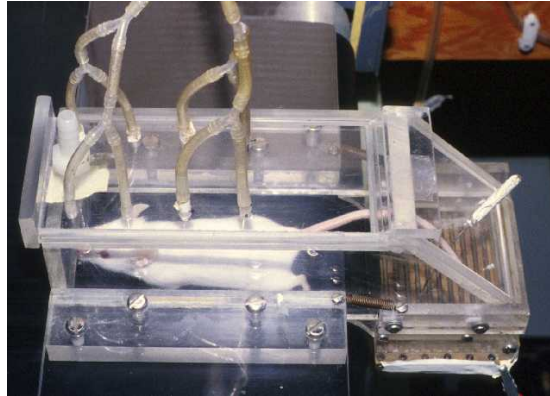
- BMR
- RMR

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Behavior



Doing Physiology



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Scientific Literature 1/4

Table 1-2 A sampling of scientific journals that publish physiological research papers

Name	Abbreviation*	Topics covered
General journals		
<i>American Journal of Physiology</i>	<i>Am. J. Physiol.</i>	} Broad areas of physiology from the cell to organ systems
<i>Pflügers Archiv für Physiologie</i> (now <i>European Journal of Physiology</i>)	<i>Pflügers Arch. Physiol.</i> (<i>Eur. J. Physiol.</i>)	
<i>Journal of Physiology</i>	<i>J. Physiol.</i>	
<i>Journal of General Physiology</i>	<i>J. Gen. Physiol.</i>	} –Physiological and biophysical studies at the cellular and subcellular level
<i>Comparative Physiology and Biochemistry</i>	<i>Comp. Physiol. Biochem.</i>	} Many different areas, with emphasis on lower vertebrates and invertebrates
<i>Journal of Comparative Physiology</i>	<i>J. Comp. Physiol.</i>	
<i>Journal of Experimental Biology</i>	<i>J. Exp. Biol.</i>	
<i>Physiological and Biochemical Zoology</i>	<i>Physiol. Biochem. Zool.</i>	

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Scientific Literature 2/4

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Name	Abbreviation*	Topics covered
Specialty journals		
<i>Brain, Behavior, and Evolution</i>	<i>Brain Behav. Evol.</i>	} Research related to specific areas or processes indicated by journal's name
<i>Cell</i>		
<i>Circulation Research</i>	<i>Circ. Res.</i>	
<i>Evolution and Development</i>	<i>Ecol. Dev.</i>	
<i>Endocrinology</i>		
<i>Gastroenterology</i>		
<i>Journal of Cell Physiology</i>	<i>J. Cell Physiol.</i>	
<i>Journal of Membrane Biology</i>	<i>J. Membr. Biol.</i>	
<i>Journal of Neurophysiology</i>	<i>J. Neurophysiol.</i>	
<i>Journal of Neuroscience</i>	<i>J. Neurosci.</i>	
<i>Molecular Endocrinology</i>	<i>Mol. Endocrinol.</i>	
<i>Nephron</i>		
<i>Respiration Physiology</i>	<i>Respir. Physiol.</i>	

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Scientific Literature 3/4

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Annual reviews		
<i>Annual Review of Neuroscience</i>	<i>Annu. Rev. Neurosci.</i>	} Summaries and evaluations of original papers on particular topics published in other journals
<i>Annual Review of Physiology</i>	<i>Annu. Rev. Physiol.</i>	
<i>Federation Proceedings</i>	<i>Fed. Proc.</i>	
<i>Physiological Reviews</i>	<i>Physiol. Rev.</i>	

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Taxonomy-oriented journals		
<i>Auk</i>] Physiology and other topics related to birds
<i>Condor</i>		
<i>Emu</i>		
<i>Crustaceana</i>		- Physiology and other topics related to crustaceans
<i>Copeia</i>] Amphibian and reptilian physiology
<i>Herpetologica</i>		
<i>Journal of Herpetology</i>	<i>J. Herpetol.</i>	- Physiology and other topics dealing with mammals
<i>Journal of Mammalogy</i>	<i>J. Mammal.</i>	
Weekly journals		
<i>Nature</i>] Preliminary reports about topics of general interest to the scientific community
<i>Science</i>		

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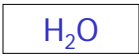
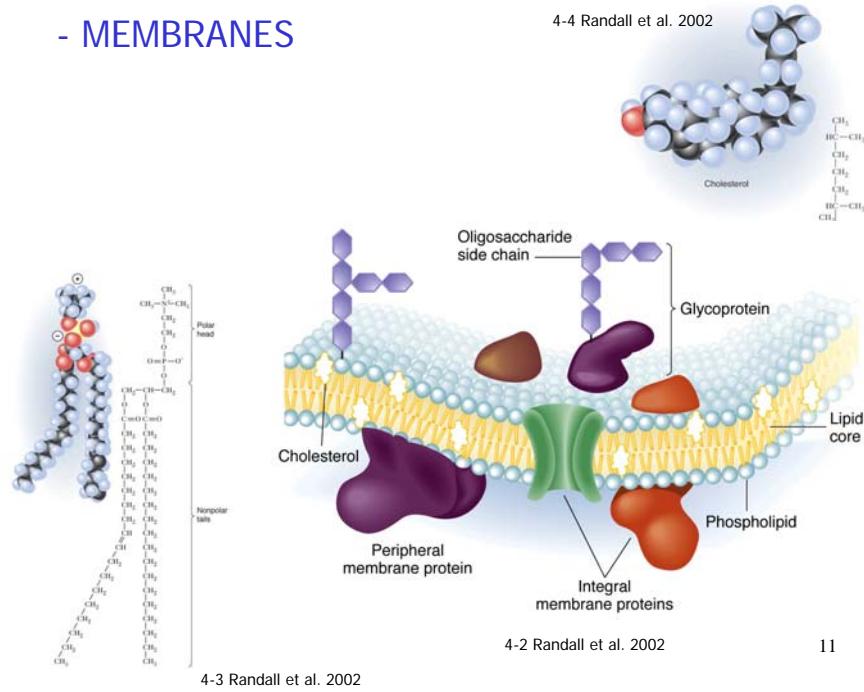
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Biochem Blitz

Cells, Membranes, Molecules, Pathways

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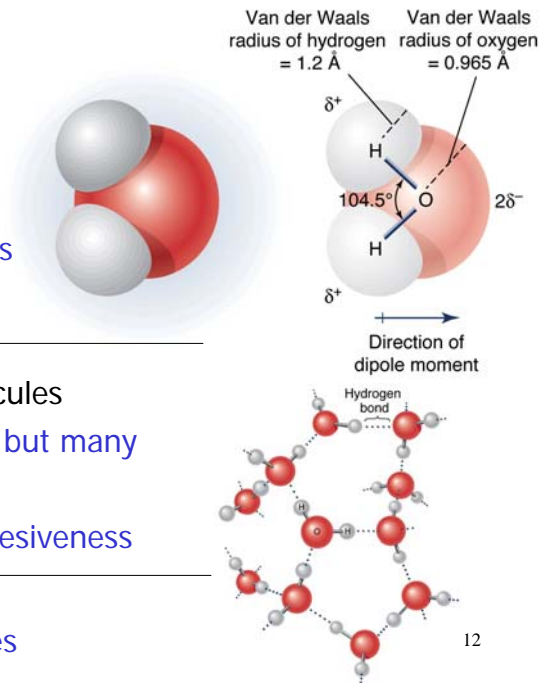
- MEMBRANES



- Origins of Life
- Universal Solvent
- Polar Covalent Bonds
- Dipole

- H bonds between molecules
 - transient and weak, but many
 - high specific heat
 - surface tension, cohesiveness

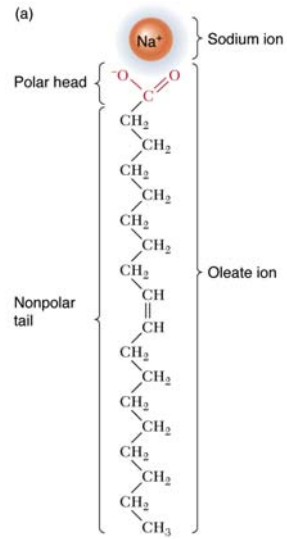
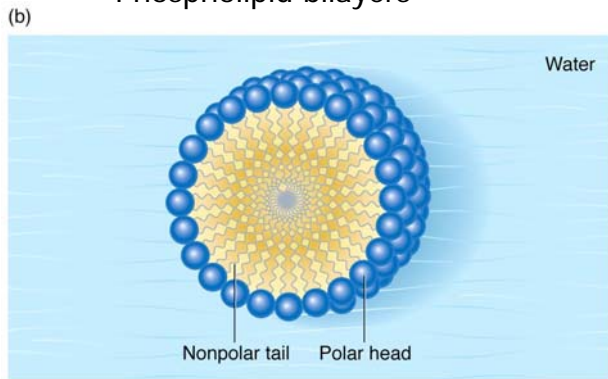
- Density changes



In Water:

- hydrophilic
- hydrophobic

-amphipathic molecules
e.g., micelles
Phospholipid bilayers



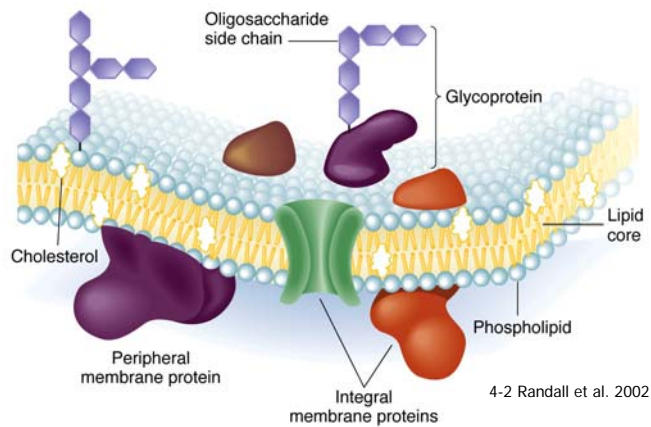
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Membrane Structure and Composition

1 Phospholipids
bilayer, fluidity

2 Cholesterol
stabilizer

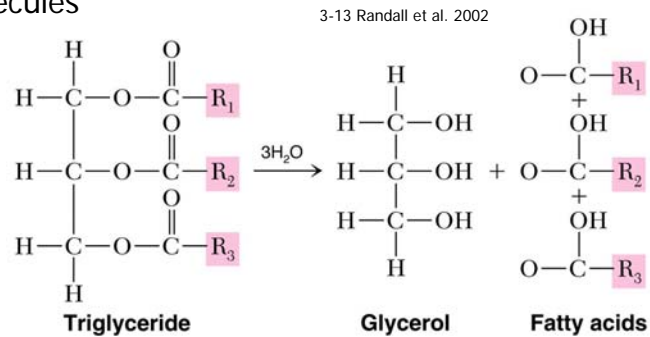
3 Proteins
- integral
- peripheral



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Biological Molecules

1- Lipids



- saturated -> cholesterol
- No double bonds in side chains (saturated with hydrogens)
- ~solid at room temperature

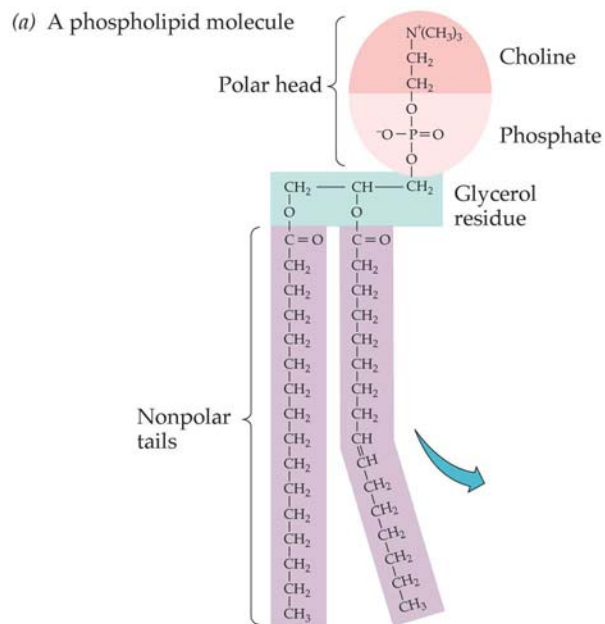
- high energy/ gram
- phospholipids

Table 3-3 The energy content of the three major categories of foodstuffs

Substrate	Energy content (kcal · g ⁻¹)
Carbohydrates	4.0
Proteins	4.5
Fats	9.5

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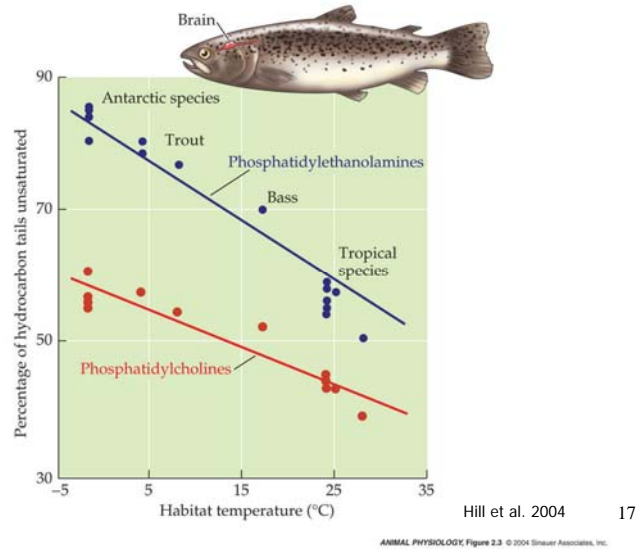
Figure 2.2 The structure of membrane phospholipid molecules



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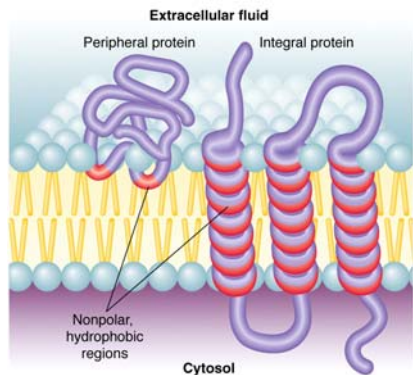
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Figure 2.3
Degree of unsaturation of brain phospholipids in fish varies with habitat temperature

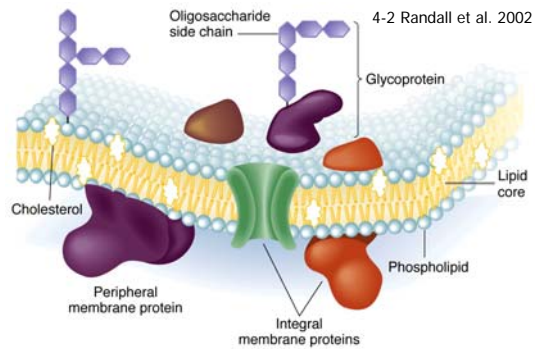


Membrane Structure and Composition

Protein Structure



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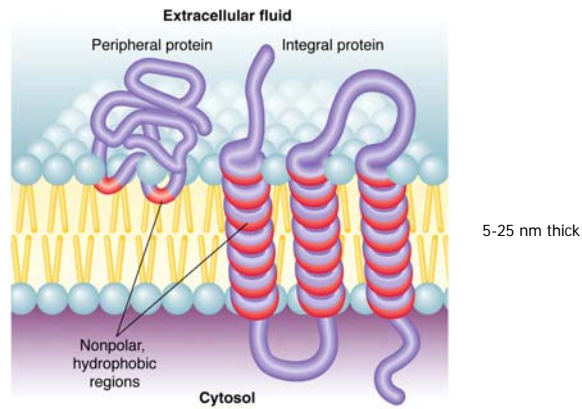
Fluid Mosaic Model

- Type of lipids
- Length of tails
- Amount of cholesterol
- Amount and type of protein
- “Sided”

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Discussion Question

How do scientists come up with the protein conformations such as pictured here:



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Biological Molecules

2- Proteins

- linear chains of amino acids

- 20 common alpha-amino acids

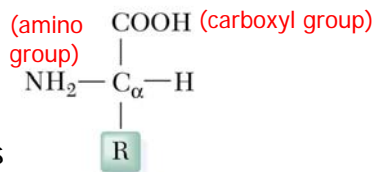
- amphoteric

- peptide bonds

- polypeptide chains

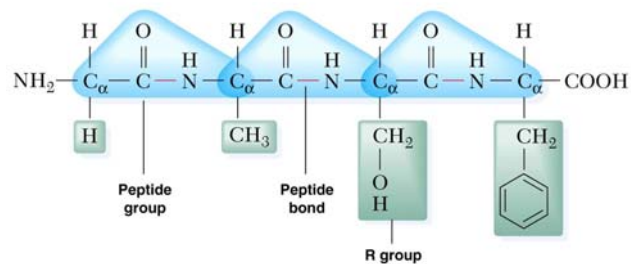
- 1°, 2°, 3°, 4°

(a) General structure of alpha-amino acids



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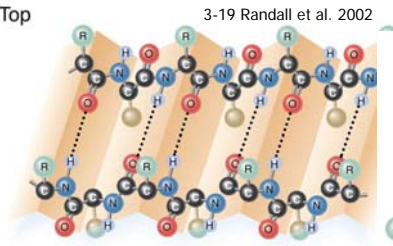
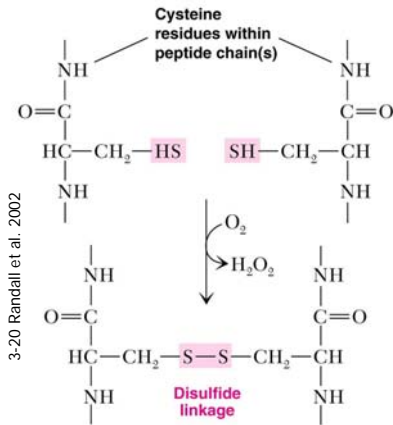
(b) Structure of a tetrapeptide



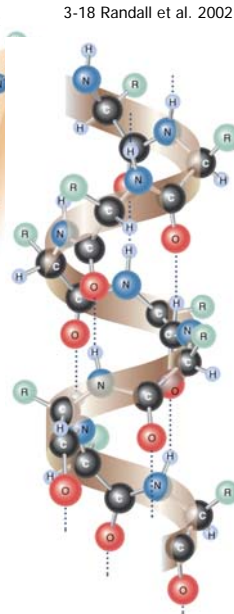
Biological Molecules ^{Top}

- Proteins

- 1°, 2°, 3°, 4°



beta



alpha

- Covalent (strong)
- Ionic
- H bonds
- Van der Waals
- Hydrophobic

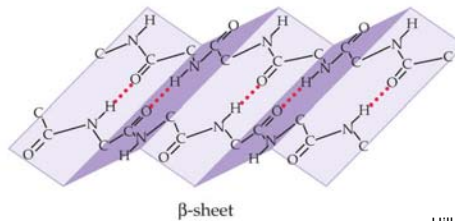
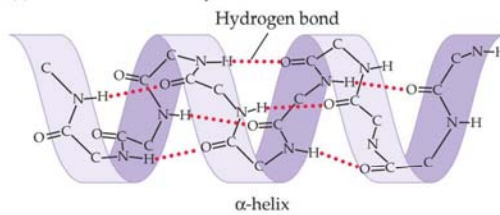
Box 2.1, Figure A The structural hierarchy of **proteins**

-linear chains of amino acids

(1) Primary structure



(2) Elements of secondary structure

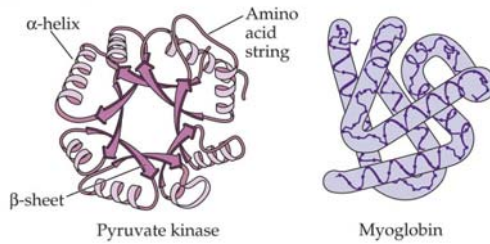


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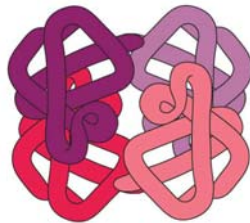
Box 2.1, Figure A The structural hierarchy of **proteins**

(3) Tertiary structure drawn in two ways



-Denaturation
-Chaperone Proteins
(e.g., HSPs)

(4) Quaternary structure



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TABLE 2.1 The five functional types of membrane proteins and the functions they perform

Functional type	Function performed (defining property)
Channel	Permits simple or quasi-simple diffusion of solutes in aqueous solution (page 70)—or osmosis of water (page 87)—through a membrane; a simplified view of a channel is that it creates a direct water path from one side to the other of a membrane (i.e., an aqueous pore) through which solutes in aqueous solution may diffuse or water may undergo osmosis
Transporter (carrier)	Binds noncovalently and reversibly with specific molecules or ions to move them intact across a membrane; the transport through the membrane is <i>active transport</i> (page 74) if it employs metabolic energy; it is <i>facilitated diffusion</i> (page 74) if metabolic energy is not employed
Enzyme	Catalyzes a chemical reaction in which covalent bonds are made or broken (page 41)
Receptor	Binds noncovalently with specific molecules and as a consequence of this binding, initiates a change in membrane permeability or cell metabolism; receptor proteins mediate the responses of a cell to chemical messages (signals) arriving at the outside face of the cell membrane (page 56)
Structural protein	Attaches to other molecules (e.g., other proteins) to anchor intracellular elements (e.g., cytoskeleton filaments) to the cell membrane, creates junctions between adjacent cells (Figure 2.7), or establishes other structural relations

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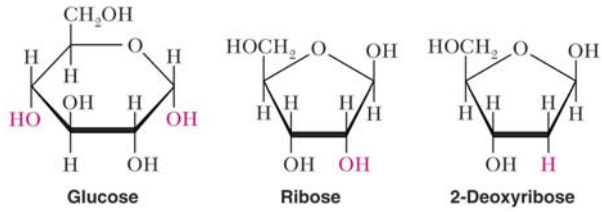
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3- Carbohydrates

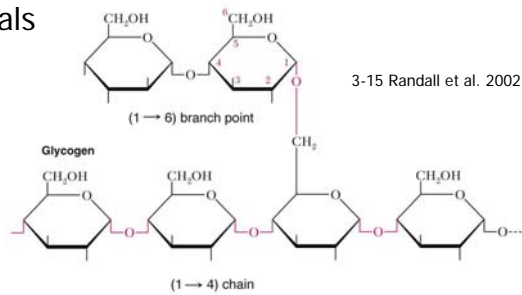


(a) Monosaccharide sugars

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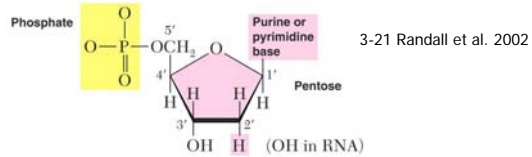
- monosaccharides, (disaccharides)
- glucose is common metabolic currency from plants to animals
- glycogen (storage)



Biological Molecules

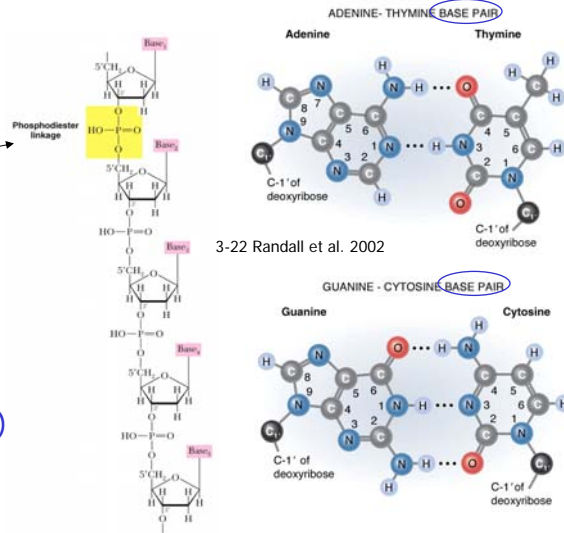
4- Nucleic Acids

- pyrimidine (T,C) or
- purine (A,G)



-Phosphodiester linkages between adjacent

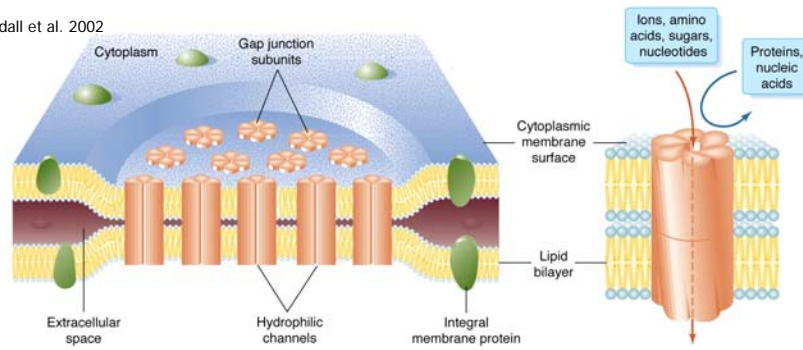
- transcription (nucleus)
DNA -> mRNA
- translation (ribosome)
mRNA -> tRNA -> protein (genetic code)



Junctions between cells

1. Gap ~ linked

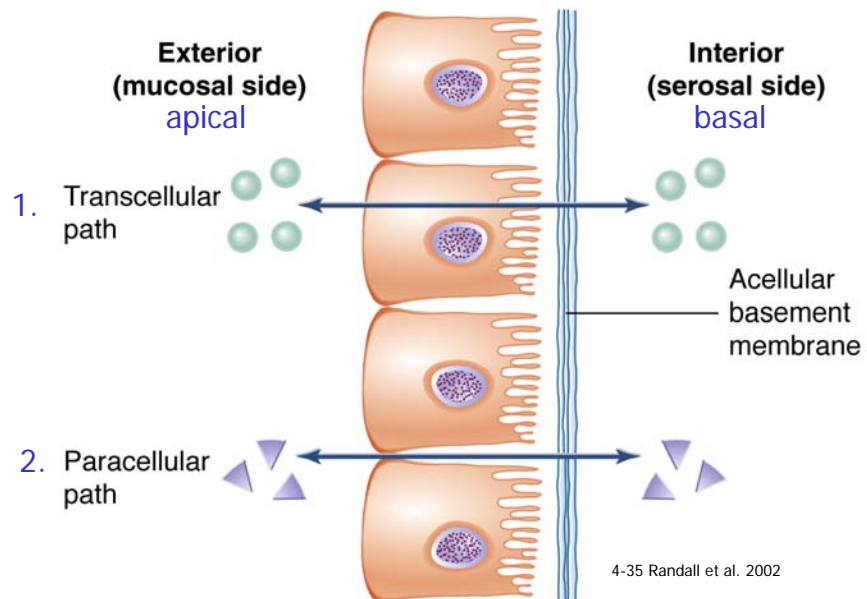
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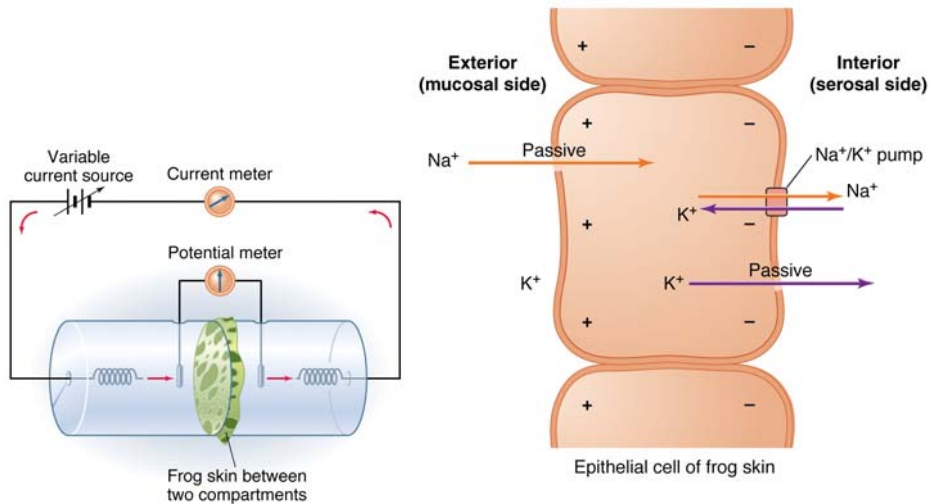
2. Tight ~ impermeable barriers

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Junctions between cells and solute movement



Solute movement and variability of membrane properties



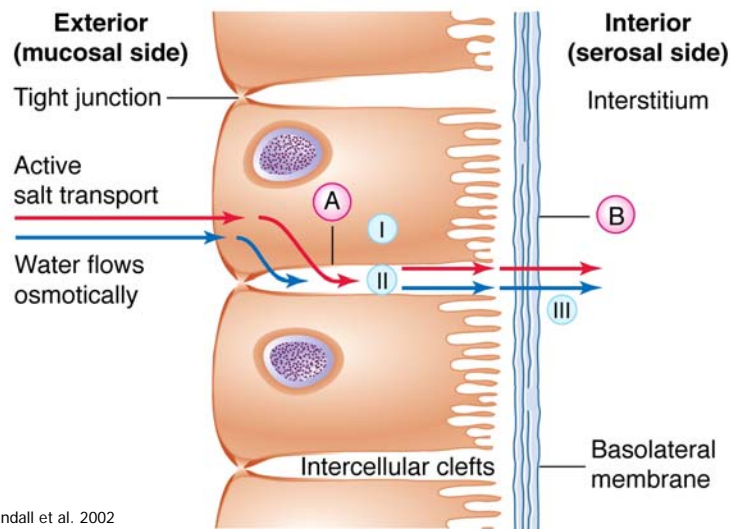
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Solute movement and subsequent water movement

Osmosis



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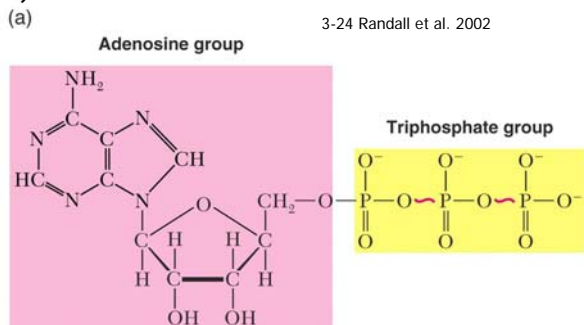
Enzymes and Energetics (Hill et al. Ch 2, con't)

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Energetics (**sun** is origin)

- **metabolism**

- energy/**ATP**
- building blocks
- small, controlled oxidation steps



- 1st law – energy neither created or destroyed
- 2nd law – **entropy** will reign

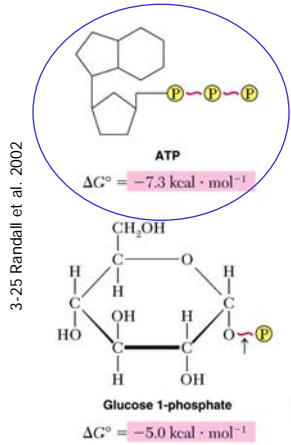
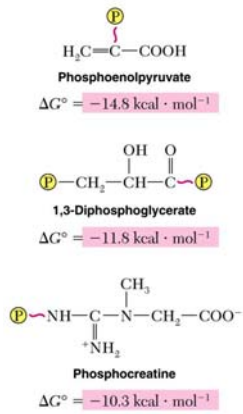
- **free energy ΔG**
(energy available to do useful work)

- ΔG
+ ΔG

- **exergonic** (~liberate heat)
- **endergonic** (uphill) 32

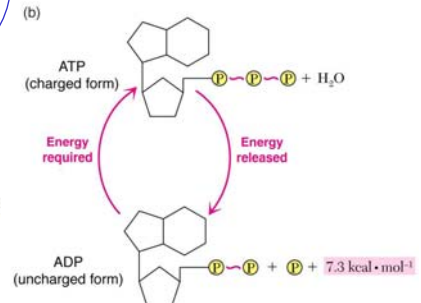
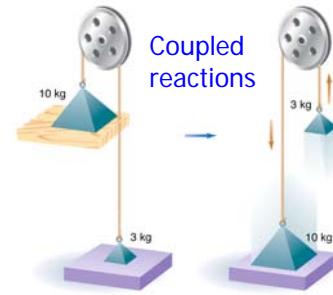
Energetics

- exergonic (liberate heat) $-\Delta G$
- endergonic (uphill) $+\Delta G$



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Phosphorylation

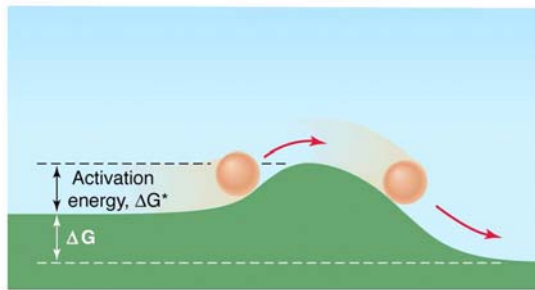
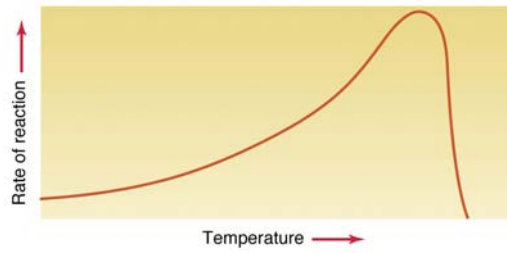
- Protein Kinases
- Protein Phosphatases

Energetics

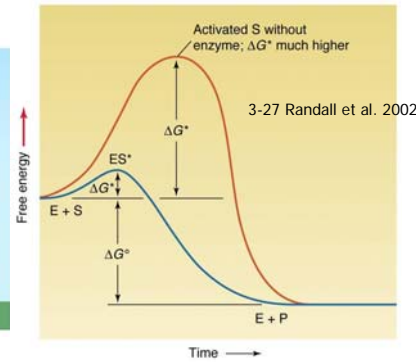
- Activation Energy
- Enzymes
CATALYSTS
- Temperature
- ↑ Reaction Rates

(a) Enzyme activity versus temperature

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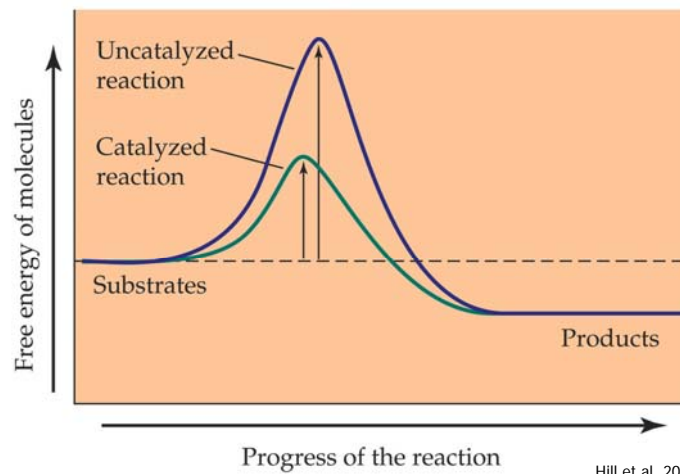


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Figure 2.13 Enzymes speed reactions by lowering the needed activation energy



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Enzymes

- pH, temperature
- Cofactors (often vitamins)

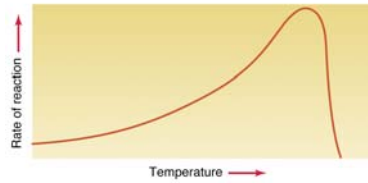
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Table 3-6 Metal ions functioning as cofactors

Metal ion	Some enzymes requiring this cofactor
Ca ²⁺	Phosphodiesterase Protein kinase C
Cu ²⁺ (Cu ⁺)	Cytochrome oxidase Tyrosinase
Fe ²⁺ or Fe ³⁺	Catalase Cytochromes Ferredoxin Peroxidase
K ⁺	Pyruvate phosphokinase (also requires Mg ²⁺)
Mg ²⁺	Phosphohydrolases Phosphotransferases
Mn ²⁺	Arginase Phosphotransferases
Na ⁺	Plasma membrane ATPase (also requires K ⁺ and Mg ²⁺)
Zn ²⁺	Alcohol dehydrogenase Carbonic anhydrase Carboxypeptidase

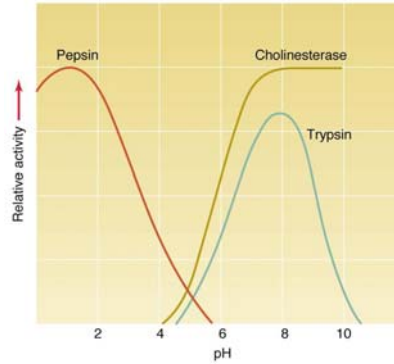
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(a) Enzyme activity versus temperature



(b) Enzyme activity versus pH

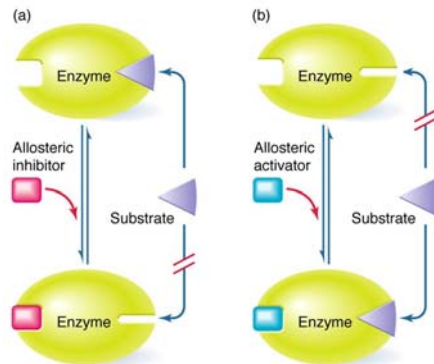
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Enzymes

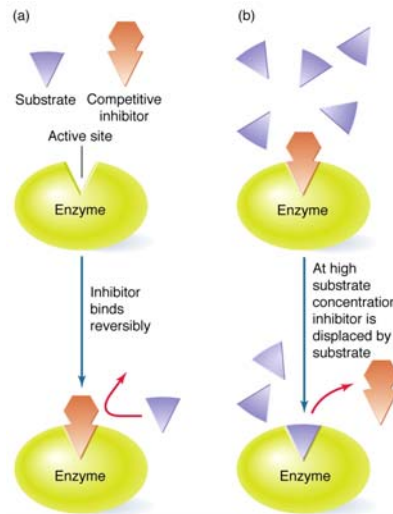
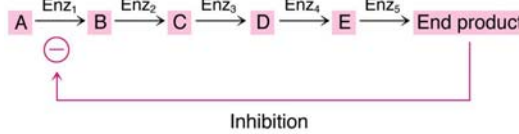
- Regulation

- 1 - Competitive
- 2 - Allosteric



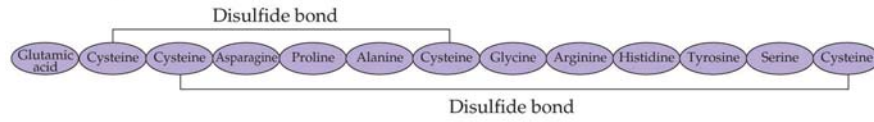
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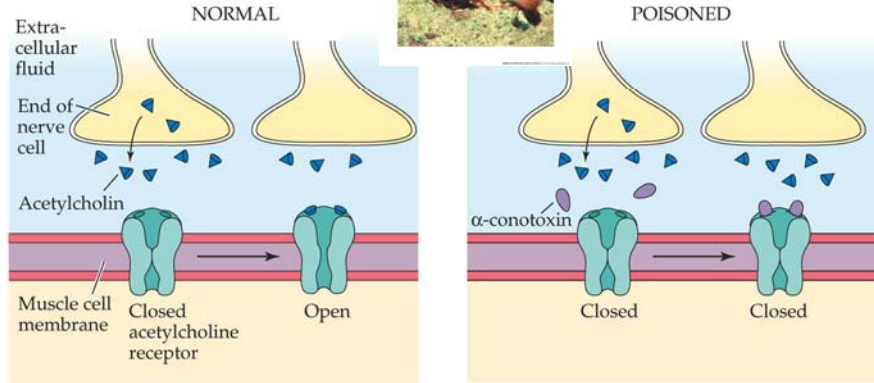


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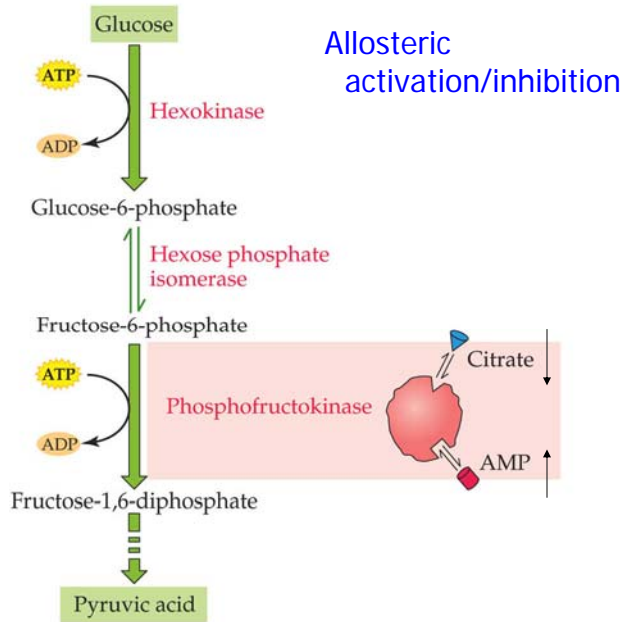
(b) An example of an α -conotoxin



(c) Block of receptor action by α -conotoxin



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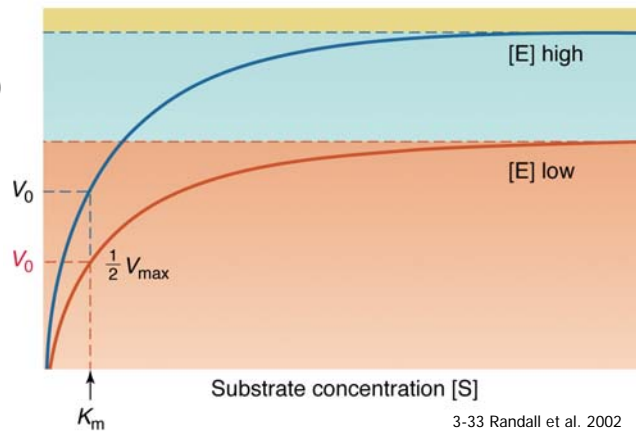


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Enzymes

- Rates of Rxn (V)

- MM constant (K_m)



- Michaelis-Menten equation

$$V_0 = \frac{V_{\max}[S]}{K_m + [S]}$$