

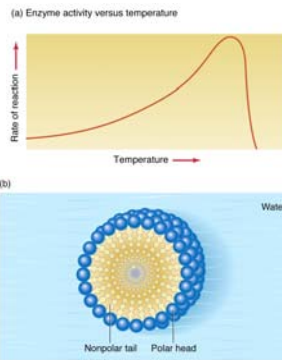
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Vertebrate Physiology
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1. Biochem Blitz (Chap 2)

- Cells
- Membranes
- Molecules
- Pathways



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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

Organism-level Approaches

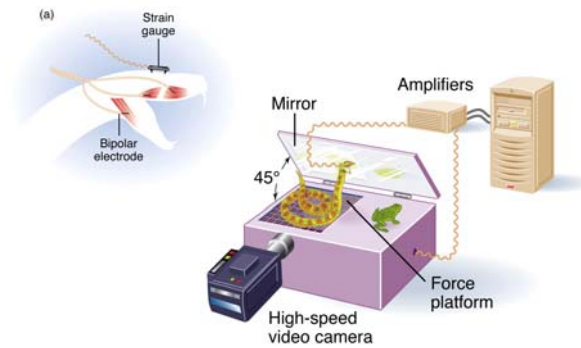
- Physiological State

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

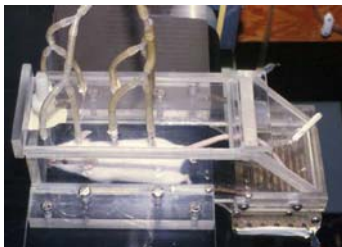
- Age
- Sex
- Season
- Reproductive Condition

- BMR
- RMR

Behavior



Doing Physiology



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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 (now European Journal of Physiology)</i>	<i>Pflügers Arch. Physiol. (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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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>Evol. 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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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>		Physiology and other topics related to emu/tacaras
<i>Crotalaria</i>		
<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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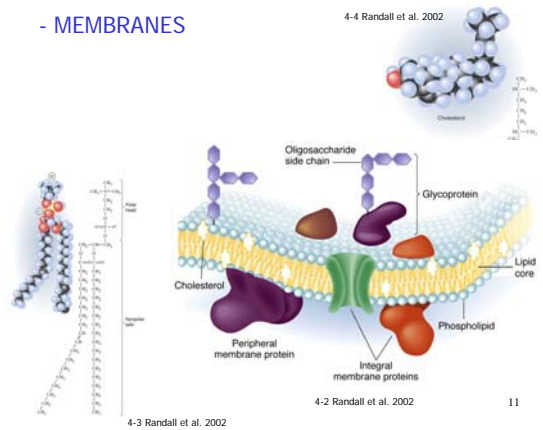
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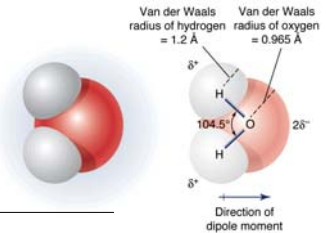
Biochem Blitz

Cells, Membranes, Molecules, Pathways

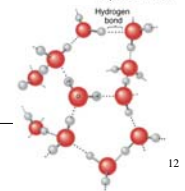
- MEMBRANES



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



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

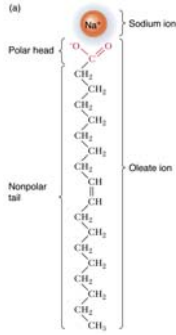
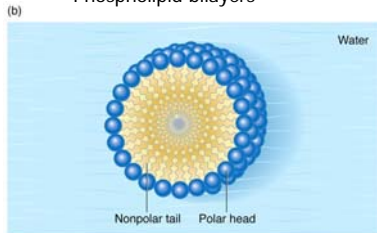


- Density changes

In Water:

- hydrophilic
- hydrophobic

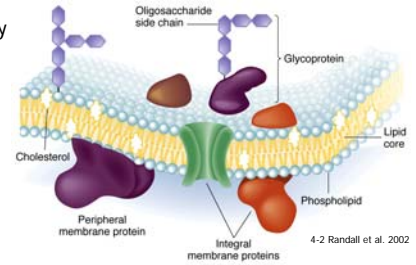
-amphipathic molecules
e.g., micelles
Phospholipid bilayers



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Membrane Structure and Composition

- 1 Phospholipids bilayer, fluidity
- 2 Cholesterol stabilizer
- 3 Proteins
 - integral
 - peripheral

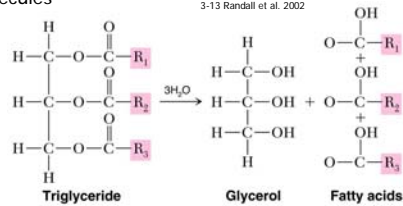


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Biological Molecules

1- Lipids



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

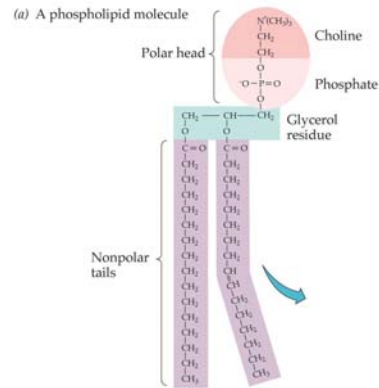
- high energy/ gram
- phospholipids

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

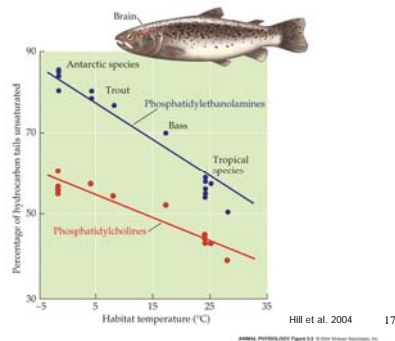


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Figure 2.3

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



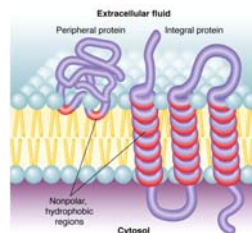
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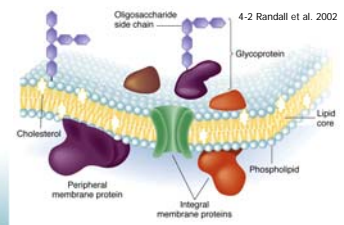
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Membrane Structure and Composition

Protein Structure



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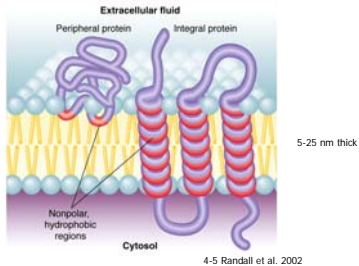
Fluid Mosaic Model

- 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

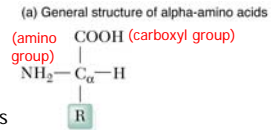
- 20 common alpha-amino acids

- amphoteric

- peptide bonds

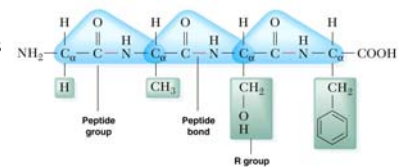
- polypeptide chains

- 1°, 2°, 3°, 4°



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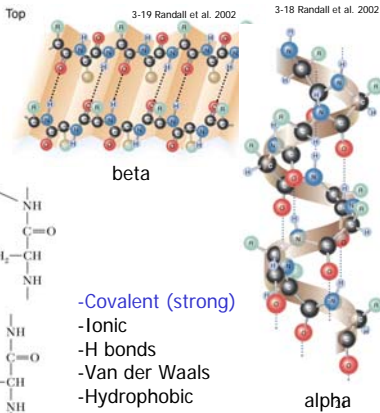
(b) Structure of a tetrapeptide



Biological Molecules

- Proteins

- 1°, 2°, 3°, 4°



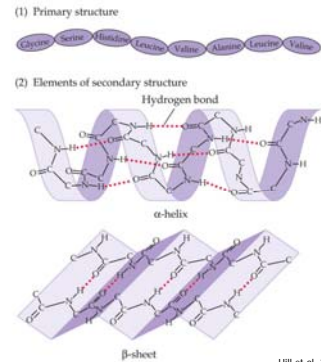
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-Covalent (strong)
-Ionic
-H bonds
-Van der Waals
-Hydrophobic

-Disulfide linkage

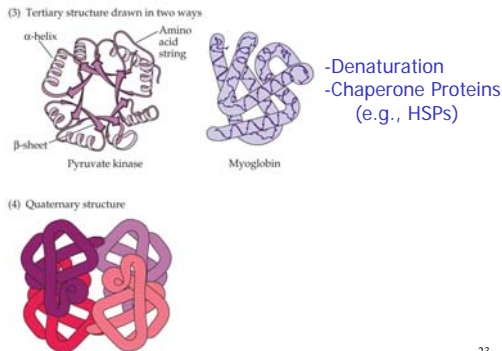
Box 2.1, Figure A The structural hierarchy of **proteins**

-linear chains of amino acids



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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 active transport (page 74) if it employs metabolic energy; it is facilitated diffusion (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

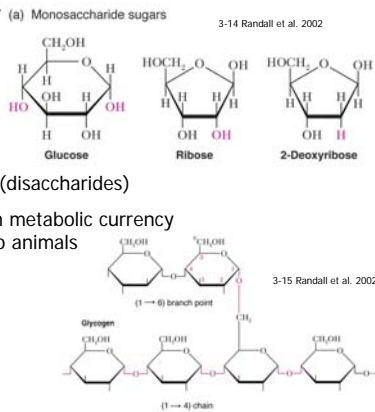
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Biological Molecules

3- Carbohydrates

- $(CH_2O)_n$

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



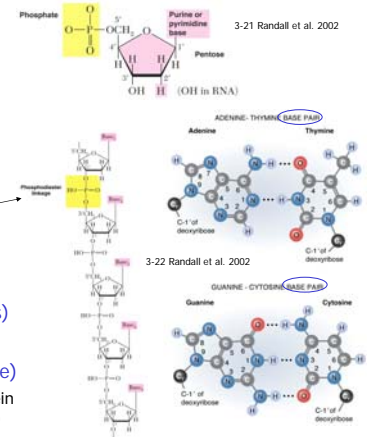
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4- Nucleic Acids

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

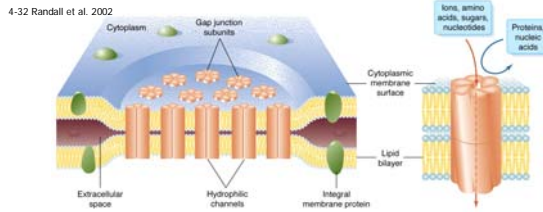
-Phosphodiester linkages between adjacent

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



Junctions between cells

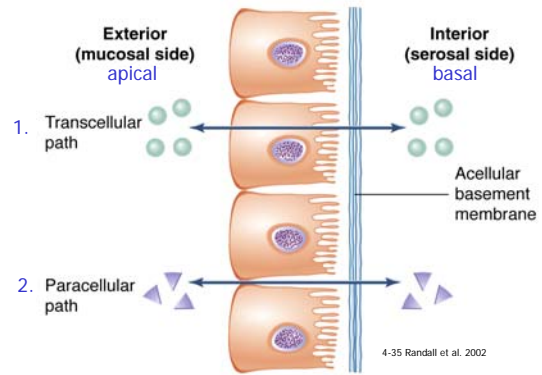
1. Gap ~linked



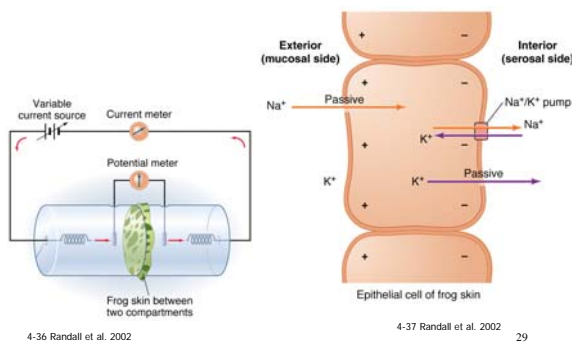
2. Tight ~ impermeable barriers

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Junctions between cells and solute movement



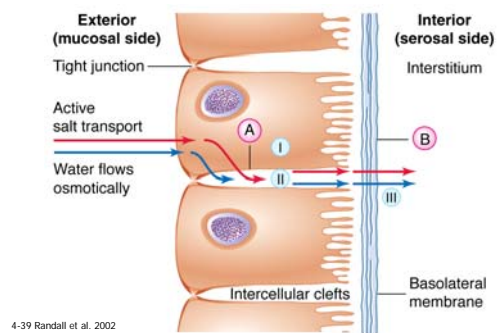
Solute movement and variability of membrane properties



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Solute movement and subsequent water movement

Osmosis



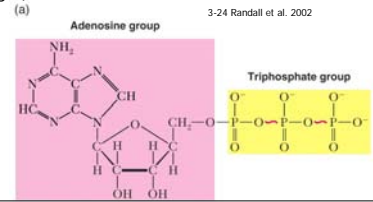
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Enzymes and Energetics
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Energetics (sun is origin)

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



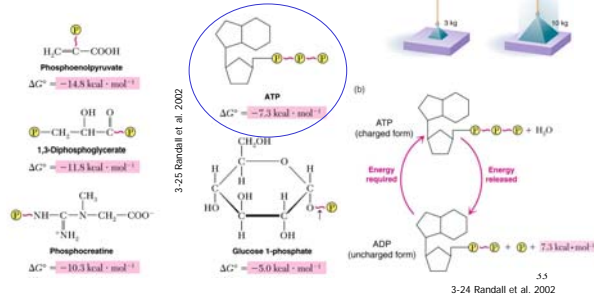
- 1st law – energy neither created or destroyed
- 2nd law – entropy will reign

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

- ΔG - exergonic (-liberate heat)
 - + ΔG - endergonic (uphill)
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Energetics

- exergonic (liberate heat) - ΔG
- endergonic (uphill) + ΔG



Phosphorylation

- Protein Kinases
- Protein Phosphatases

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Energetics

- Activation Energy
- Enzymes CATALYSTS
- Temperature
- \uparrow Reaction Rates

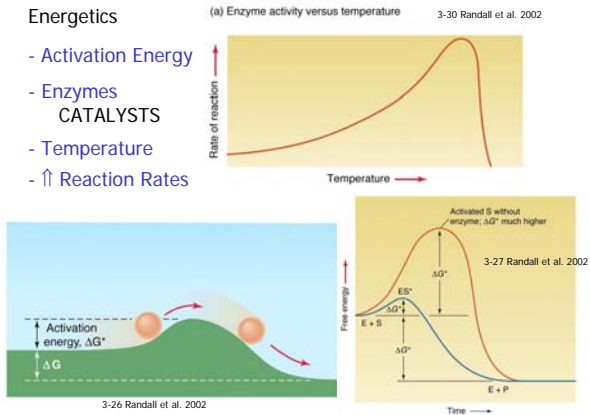
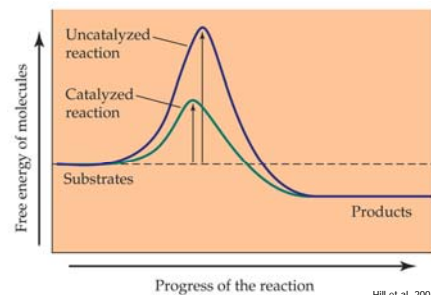


Figure 2.13 Enzymes speed reactions by lowering the needed activation energy



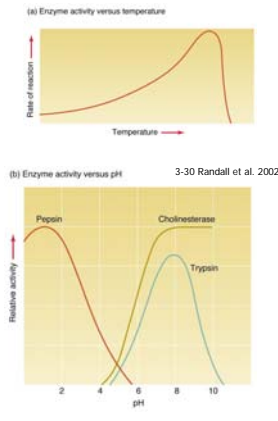
Enzymes

- pH, temperature
- Cofactors (often vitamins)

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Table 3-6 Metal ions functioning as cofactors

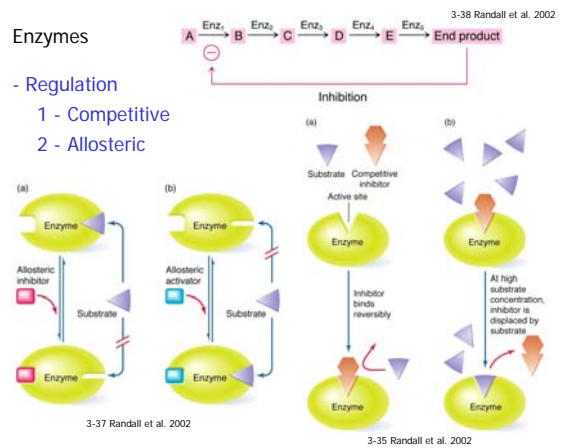
Metal ion	Some enzymes requiring this cofactor
Ca ²⁺	Phospholipase Protein kinase C
Cu ²⁺ (Cu ⁺)	Cytochrome oxidase Tyrosinase
Fe ²⁺ or Fe ³⁺	Catalase Cytocchromes Ferroxidase Ferroxidase
K ⁺	Pyruvate phosphokinase (also requires Mg ²⁺)
Mg ²⁺	Phosphohydrolase Phosphotransferase
Mn ²⁺	Arginase Phosphotransferase
Na ⁺	Plasma membrane ATPase (also requires K ⁺ and Mg ²⁺)
Zn ²⁺	Alcohol dehydrogenase Carbonic anhydrase Carboxypeptidase

Source: Adapted from Nelson and Cox, 2000.

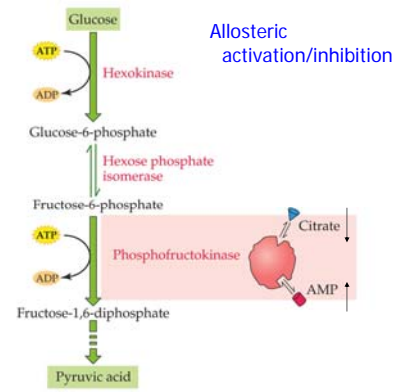
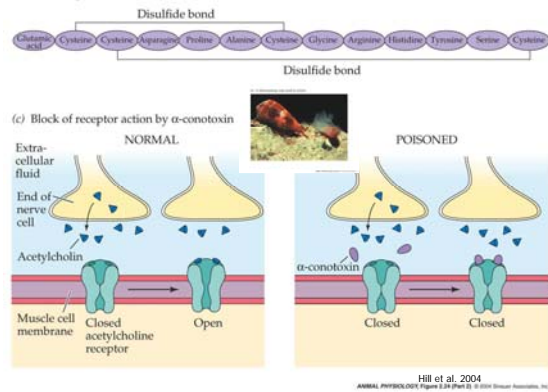


Enzymes

- Regulation
- 1 - Competitive
- 2 - Allosteric

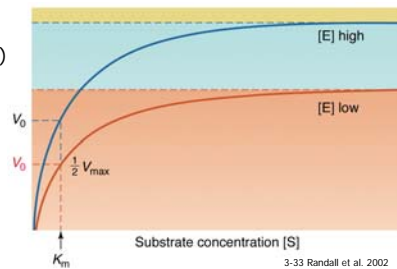


(b) An example of an α-conotoxin



Enzymes

- Rates of Rxn (V)
- MM constant (Km)



- Michaelis-Menten equation

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