

Water, Solutes, Osmosis (Ch 3)
 Intro Nervous System Fxn (Ch10)



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Upcoming Readings

today: Ch 3&10 Wed 30 Jan: Ch 10&11 LAB Wed 30 Jan: Bisbal & Specker, plus two optional papers (see website for links to papers; "worksheet" via email) Fri 01 Feb: Ch11

Lab discussion leaders: 30 Jan 1pm – Josh, Seth 3pm – Aaron, Adam Jpm – Roxanne, Maria









Osmotic Properties of Cells and Relative Ion Concentrations

Colligative Properties

- Osmotic Pressure
- Freezing Point
- Water Vapor Pressure (boiling point; evaporation)





Measurements on two solutions separated from pure water



Osmosis when the two solutions are separated from each other Hill et al 2004

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6 x 10²³

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Osmolarity

1 osmolar solution (Osm)

has 1 Avogadro's number of dissolved particles/liter solvent

1 milliosmolar solution (mOsm)

has 0.001 Avogadro's number of dissolved particles/liter solvent

What osmolarity do you get if you add $6 \ge 10^{23}$ molecules of glucose to a liter of water?

What osmolarity do you get if you add $6 \ge 10^{23}$ molecules of table salt to a liter of water?

NaCl (strong electrolyte)







Electrochemical equilibrium



Equilibrium potential (E_x in mV)

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Vesicles filled with neurotransmitter (green) cluster near the end of neuron as it synapses on its target.

p. 214, Silverthorn 2001. 2nd ed. <u>Human Physiology</u>. Prentice Hall

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Nervous System Neurons Membranes Ions



Organization of the Nervous System

Three main functions:

- 1. Sensory Reception (converts environmental stimulus to elect/chem)
- 2. Central Processing
- 3. Motor Output

Divided into CNS and PNS

- A. CNS = Central Nervous System
 - Brain and Spinal Cord (and eyes and interneurons)
- B. PNS = Peripheral Nervous System
 - most sensory and motor axons



Hill et al. 2004, Fig 10.7

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Flow of Information

Afferent Signal -> CNS -> Efferent Signal -> Response



Sensing Effectors

Sensors with Afferent and Efferent Properties/Homeostasis



Evolution of Nervous System:

- Based on the neuron
- Elaboration of Reflex Arc
- Group neurons into CNS
- More neurons in complex organisms
- New structures added on to old (not replaced)
- Size of CNS region correlated with importance
- Topological Maps





CNS - Brain



Vertebrate bilaterally paired nerve connections to periphery



CNS - Brain Functional Anatomy

-Medulla oblongata

Respiration, autonomic funct, some sensory (hearing, equil.) -<u>Cerebellum</u> Coordinate motor output Integrates info. from proprioceptors (stretch and joint) visual, auditory More convoluted (↑ s.a.) in higher groups Birds with large cerebellum to handle 3D flight

-Pons (and tectum)

Integrate and communicate Visual, tactile, auditory maps ~ body movement coordination in some groups <u>-Cerebral Cortex</u> In higher groups takes over function of tectum

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CNS - Brain Functional Anatomy (con't)

-<u>Thalamus</u>

Sensory and motor coordination Often communicates with cerebral cortex

-Amygdala

Processes info. and output related to emotions

-Hypothalamus

Also involved in emotions Body temp, eating, drinking, sex Water and electrolyte balance

-Olfactory Bulb

Key sense in many vertebrate groups Anterior position



<u>-Cerebrum</u> (covered by cerebral cortex) More evolved in higher groups (size and folds)... ²⁶





CNS - Brain

Cerebrum and Cerebral Cortex

- Folds increase surface area and # neurons
- Functional Regions
 - 1. Sensory cortex
 - somatosensory, auditory, visual
 - sensory homunculus ("little man")
 - 2. Motor cortex
 - often similar to sensory cortex map
 - 3. Association cortex
 - memory, future, thought, communication

Relative importance of each region changes among vertebrate groups



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Hill et al. 2004, Fig 10.9 30

(a) Phrenology



Structural and Functional Regions

<u>CNS</u>

- Most neuronal somata

incl. motor neurons

- Interneurons

Nuclei = collections of somata w/ similar function

Tracts = bundles of axons from nuclei



Structural and Functional Regions

8-6 Randall et al. 2002

- Efferent NS
 - 1. Somatic/Voluntary -skeletal muscle
 - 2. Autonomic
 - smooth muscle
 - cardiac muscle
 - glands
 - "housekeeping"
 - A. Sympathetic
 - ~ fight or flight
 - B. Parasympathetic
 - ~ rest and digest

C. Enteric





Autonomic NS (vs Voluntary/Somatic)

Antagonistic Groups in Balance:

- A. Sympathetic (f or f)
- B. Parasympathetic (r + d)

Both function via reflex arcs, but often opposite effects Efferent signal with two neurons:

- 1. Preganglionic (NT released is Acetylcholine [Ach])
- 2. Postganglionic (PNS, receptor is nicotinic ACh)

Difference between Symp. and Para. is in:

- 1. CNS origin
- 2. Location of postganglionic somata
- 3. Postganglionic NT
- 4. Receptors on target tissues

Autonomic NS

Sympathetic

- 2-Postganglionic somata nearer CNS in chain ganglia
- 3- Postganglionic NT is Norepinephrine

4-Effector receptor is alpha or beta adrenergic

Parasympathetic

2-Postganglionic somata near effector, or in effector organ

- 3- Postganglionic NT is ACh
- 4-Effector receptor is muscarinic ACh

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(a) Autonomic nervous system



(b) Somatic nervous system







TABLE 10.2	Major actions of sympathetic and parasympathetic divisions
in vertebrate	5

Process	Parasympathetic effect	Sympathetic effect	
Digestion: gastrointestinal secretion and motility	Stimulates	Inhibits	
Heartbeat	Slows	Increases rate and force	
Blood vessels	Usually dilates	Constricts vessels to kidneys and gut; dilates vessels to skeletal muscles	
Blood pressure	Decreases	Increases	
Lung passages	Constricts	Dilates	
Secretion of epinephrine and norepinephrine by adrenal medullary glands	-	Stimulates	

Hill et al. 2004

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"Squid axons are important to physiologists, and to the squid." $_{\rm Hill\ et\ al.\ 2004,\ p.281}$

Sir Alan Hodgkin, Nobel Prize 1963

4 types of Glial Cells Neurons Outnumber neurons 10:1 in mammalian brain Astrocyte 3. Metabolic sup Microglial cell Capillary Node 4. Phagocytes/immune Oligo-dendrocyte 2. Schwann cell Myelinated axons 1. CNS PNS

Glial Cells Support Function of NS Hill et al. 2004, Fig 11.2

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Membrane Potential

- To change Vm: A Small Number of Ions actually move relative to the number present both inside and outside the cell
- Concentration gradients... (previously established by ATPase pumps) are not abolished when the channels for an ion species open

[Gradients allow for 'work' to be done, e.g., action potential sends signal along axon]

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Membrane Potential

 Driven by ions that are permeable to the membrane (and have different []_{in} as compared to []_{out} a.k.a. gradient created with ATP)

- K+ for example

4. Equilibrium Potential (E_x in mV):

~The equilibrium potentials of all the permeable ions (a function of their established gradients) will determine the membrane potential of a cell

5. emf determines which direction a given ion (X) will move when the membrane potential is known

$$emf_x = V_m - E_x$$

Membrane Potential

- 6. Resting Membrane Potential driven by K+ efflux and, to a lesser extent, Na+ influx
- 7. Na+/K+ ATPase pump generates gradients that, for these permeable ions, determine membrane potential





Table 5-1 Examples of ion channels found in axons

Randall et al. 2002

Channel	Current through channel	Characteristics	Selected blockers	Function
Leak channel (open in resting axon)	$I_{\rm K~(leak)}$	Produces relatively high $P_{\mathbf{K}}$ of resting cell	Partially blocked by tetraethylammonium (TEA)	Largely responsible for $V_{\rm rest}$
Voltage-gated Na ⁺ channel	I _{Na}	Rapidly activated by depolarization; becomes inactivated even if V _m remains depolarized	Tetrodotoxin (TTX)	Produces rising phase of AP
Voltage-gated Ca ²⁺ channel	I_{Ca}	Activated by depolariza- tion but more slowly than Na ⁺ channel; inactivated as function of cytoplasmic $[Ca^{2+}]$ or V_m	Verapamil, D600, Co ²⁺ , Cd ²⁺ , Mn ²⁺ , Ni ²⁺ , La ³⁺	Produces slow depolariza- tion; allows Ca ²⁺ to enter cell, where it can act as second messenger
Voltage-gated K* channel ("delayed rectifier")	I _{K(V)}	Activated by depolariza- tion but more slowly than Na ⁺ channel; inactivated slowly and not completely if V _m remains depolarized	Intra- and extracellular TEA, amino pyridines	Carries current that rapidly repolarizes the membrane to terminate an AP
Ca ²⁺ -dependent K ⁺ channel	$I_{ m K(Ca)}$	Activated by depolariza- tion plus clevated cytoplasmic [Ca ²⁺]; remains open as long as cytoplasmic [Ca ²⁺] is higher than normal	Extracellular TEA	Carries current that repo- larizes the cell following APs based on either Na ⁺ or Ca ²⁺ and that balances $I_{\rm Ca}$, thus limit- ing depolarization by $I_{\rm Ca}$

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At Rest

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Membrane Potential} \\ \text{(V}_{m} \text{ in volts or mV)} \end{array}$

- outside is zero by convention



Nernst equation:
$$E = \frac{RT}{zF} ln \frac{C_{out}}{C_{in}}$$

where

- E = equilibrium membrane potential
- R = gas constant
- T = absolute temperature
- z = valence
- F = Faraday's constant

(Mistake in Hill et al. text bottom of page 291; see if you can fix it) Only in my book?

Equilibrium Potential

- Calculate for a given type of ion using the simplified Nernst Equation:

$$E_{x} = \frac{0.058}{z} \log \frac{[X]_{out}}{[X]_{in}}$$

$$E_{Na} = \frac{0.058}{z} \log \frac{[Na^{+}]_{out}}{[Na^{+}]_{in}}$$

$$E_{Na} = \frac{0.058}{1} \log \frac{120 \text{ mM}}{10 \text{ mM}} = 63 \text{ mV} (0.063 \text{ V})$$
remember Equilibrium potential (E_{x} in mV)
when [X] gradient = electrical gradient



Nernst Question

Calculate $E_{K \text{ if}}$ [K⁺]_{inside} = 140 mM -101 mV [K⁺]_{outside} = 2.5 mM

If the resting membrane potential is -60 mV, which way will K+ 'want' to move (in or out of the cell)?

OUT Which way will Na+ want to move? IN Which way will K+ want to move if membrane potential is -110 mV? 30 mV?

-110 mV? 30 mV? IN OUT 59



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