

Chapter 4 Outline

- › Enzymes as catalysts
- › Control of enzyme activity
- › Bioenergetics



Enzymes

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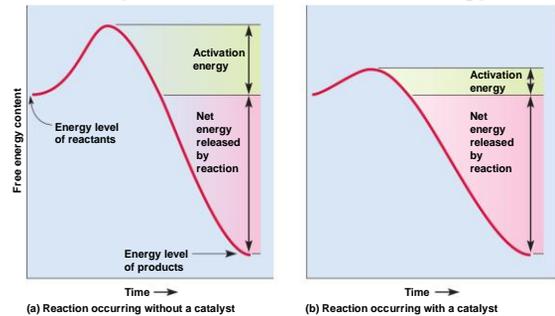
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Enzymes

- › Enzymes - function as biological catalysts
 - › permit reactions to occur rapidly
- › Substrate: substance an enzyme acts upon
- › Products: result of the chemical reax
- › Naming Convention – ends in “ase”
 - › Such as **phosphatases** remove phosphate groups
 - › (kinases add phosphate groups)
 - › **Lipase** = enzyme digests **Lipids**
 - › **Deoxyribonuclease** = digest ??
 - › **Lactic acid dehydrogenase**???

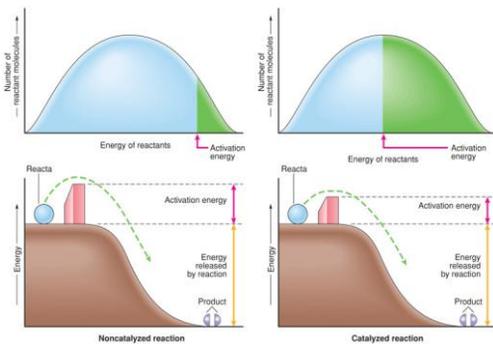
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Enzymes and Activation Energy



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Enzymes



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Enzyme Structure and Action

- › Substrate approaches active site on enzyme molecule
- › Substrate binds to active site forming enzyme-substrate complex
 - › enzyme-substrate specificity
- › Reaction products released
- › Enzyme remains unchanged

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Mechanism of Enzyme Action

- ▶ Ability of enzymes to lower energy requirement is due to structure
- ▶ Each type of enzymes has highly-ordered characteristic 3-dimensional shapes (conformation)
- ▶ Containing pockets called active sites into which substrates (reactants) fit

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Mechanism of Enzyme Reax

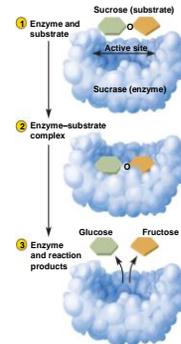
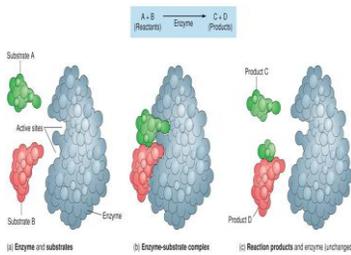


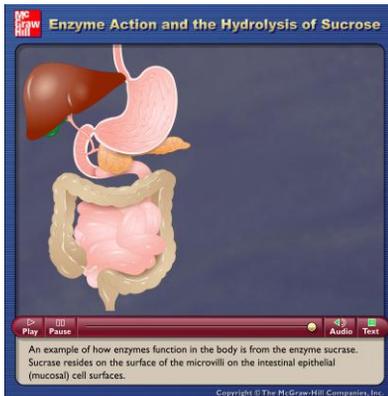
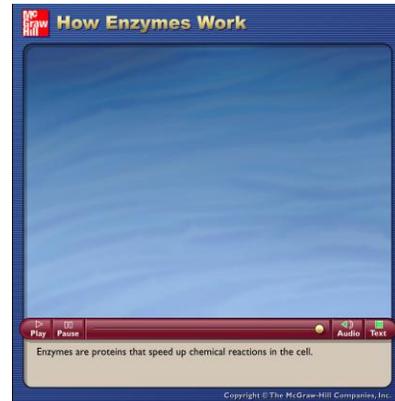
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Mechanism of Enzyme Action



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Enzyme Activation

- ▶ Many enzymes are produced in an inactive form
 - ▶ e.g. pancreatic digestive enzymes not activated until they reach intestine
- ▶ Many are activated by phosphorylation and inactivated by dephosphorylation
- ▶ Others activated by 2nd messengers
- ▶ Turnover of enzymes---breakdown and re-synthesis of enzymes therefore
 - ▶ i.e., allows genes to alter enzyme activity

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Enzyme activation - Second Messenger System

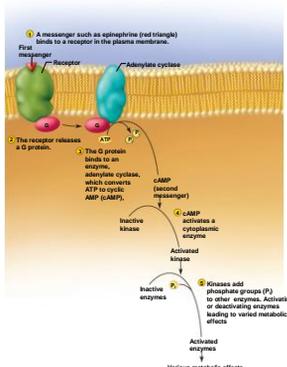
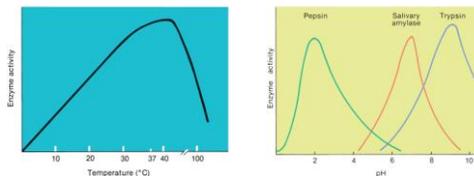


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Enzyme Activity - Temperature and pH

- Enzymes have optimal temperature and pH ranges
 - Typically near normal physiological values
 - Because 3-D structure is affected outside range



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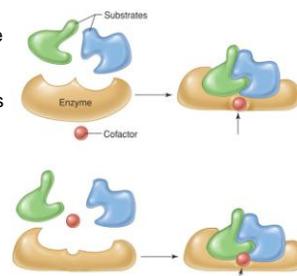
Cofactors and Coenzymes

- Cofactors:** an inorganic non-protein cofactor (helper)
 - (iron, copper, zinc, magnesium and calcium ions)
 - binds to enzyme inducing a change in shape
- Coenzymes**
 - organic cofactors derived from water-soluble vitamins (niacin, riboflavin)
 - accept electrons from an enzyme in one pathway and transfer them to an enzyme in another

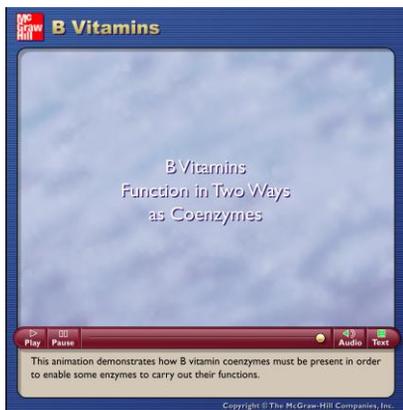
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Cofactors and Coenzymes

- Cofactor binding changes conformation of active site
 - and aids in temporary bonding between enzyme and substrates



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Coenzyme NAD⁺

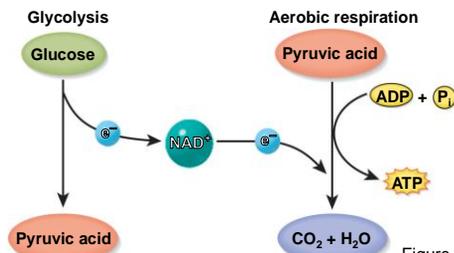


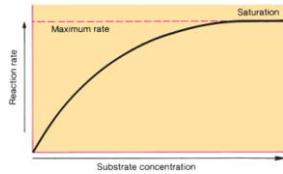
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- NAD⁺ transports electrons from one metabolic pathway to another

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Effect of Substrate Concentration

- ▶ Rate of product formation increases as substrate concentration increases
 - ▶ Until reaction rate reaches a plateau
 - ▶ Where enzyme is said to be saturated



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Binding Site Saturation

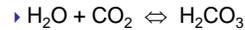
Enzymatic Action: Important Points!!

- ▶ Reusability of enzymes
- ▶ Astonishing speed
 - ▶ one enzyme molecule can consume millions of substrate molecules per minute
- ▶ Factors that change enzyme shape
 - ▶ pH and temperature
- ▶ Substrate concentration affects rate

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Reversible Reactions

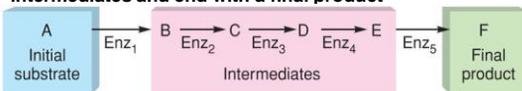
- ▶ Some enzymatic reactions are reversible
 - ▶ Both forward and backward reactions are catalyzed by same enzyme
 - ▶ Law of mass action: direction of reaction is from where concentration is higher to side where concentration is lower
 - ▶ e.g. carbonic anhydrase catalyzes



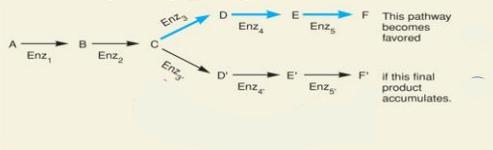
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Metabolic Pathways

Reax that begin with initial substrate, progress through intermediates and end with a final product



Branched pathway: ≥2 enzymes work on a substrate

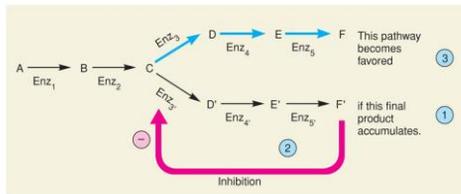


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End-Product Inhibition

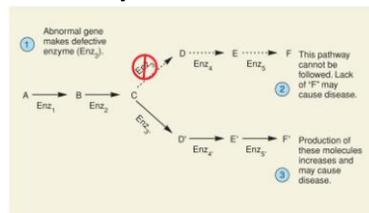
- ▶ When 1 product in a divergent pathway inhibits activity of the branch-point enzyme
 - ▶ Prevents final product accumulation
 - ▶ Causes reaction to favor alternate pathway
 - ▶ Occurs by **allosteric inhibition** whereby product binds to enzyme causing it to change to an inactive shape



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Inborn Errors of Metabolism

- ▶ inherited defects in genes produces defective enzyme
- ▶ Metabolic disease can result from either:
 - ▶ Increases in intermediates formed prior to the defective enzyme
 - ▶ Or decreases in products normally formed after the defective enzyme



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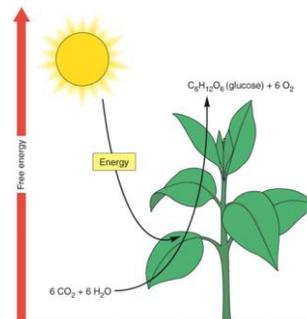
Bioenergetics

- ▶ Refers to flow of energy in living systems
- ▶ **1st law of thermodynamics**: energy can be transformed but not created or destroyed
- ▶ **2nd law**: energy transformations increase **entropy** (degree of disorganization of a system)
- ▶ Only **free energy** (energy in organized state) can be used to do work
 - ▶ Systems tend to go from states of higher free energy to states of lower free energy

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Bioenergetics

- ▶ 2nd law dictates that all living organisms require continued input of energy
- ▶ Plants obtain this from sunlight
 - ▶ Use it to make high free energy glucose from CO_2 and H_2O that have less free energy (more entropy)
 - ▶ we use energy in glucose to combat entropy and power our bodies



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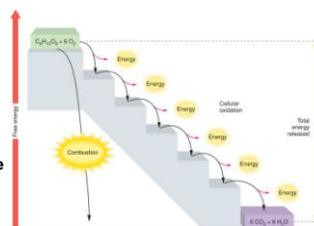
Metabolism

- ▶ All the chemical reactions of the body
- ▶ **Catabolism**
 - ▶ energy releasing (**exergonic**) decomposition reax
 - ▶ breaks covalent bonds
 - ▶ produces smaller molecules
- ▶ **Anabolism**
 - ▶ energy storing (**endergonic**) synthesis reax
 - ▶ requires energy input
 - ▶ production of protein or fat
 - ▶ driven by energy that catabolism releases

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Endergonic and Exergonic Reactions

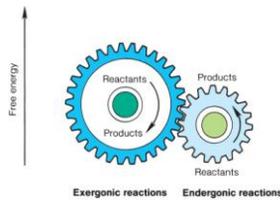
- ▶ **Endergonic reactions** require input of energy to proceed
 - ▶ Products contain more free energy than reactants
 - ▶ Synthesis Reax
- ▶ **Exergonic reactions** release energy as they proceed
 - ▶ Products contain less free energy than reactants
 - ▶ Decomposition Reax



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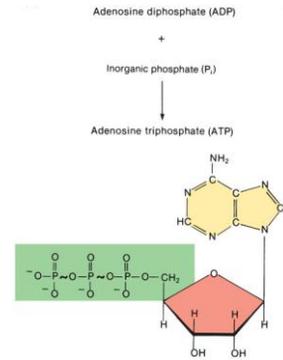
Coupled Reactions: ATP

- Cells require constant inputs of free energy from environment to buck entropy and remain highly organized
- Do this by coupling endergonic reactions to exergonic reactions
 - An exergonic reaction breaks down **ATP** - the universal energy carrier
- Most exergonic reactions in body make ATP



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ATP



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Oxidation-Reduction Reactions

- Oxidation**
 - A molecule gives up electrons and releases energy
 - The molecule is **oxidized** in this process
 - oxygen** is often involved as the electron acceptor
- Reduction**
 - a molecule gains electrons and energy
 - molecule is **reduced** when it accepts electrons
- oxidation-reduction (redox) reactions**
 - oxidation of one molecule is always accompanied by the reduction of another
 - Electrons are often transferred as **H**

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Coenzyme NAD⁺

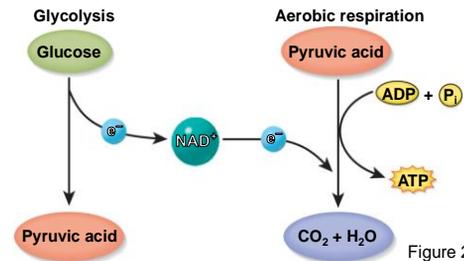
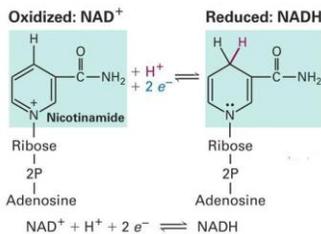


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- Redox** – when NAD⁺ reacts with 2 H, it bonds with one and takes the others atom

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