

# Unit 1: Biochemistry

Section 1-6: Energy Transformations & Enzymes

Book Reading: Chapter 8 pages 141-157

## Metabolism and Metabolic Pathways

### ❖ Metabolic Pathways

- Metabolism-*define*
- Metabolic pathways- *define*
- *How are metabolic pathways regulated?*

### ❖ Catabolic Pathways

- *Define*
- *Release or absorb energy? How?*
- Example: cellular respiration

### ❖ Anabolic Pathways

- *Define*
- *Release or absorb energy? How?*
- Example: synthesizing proteins from amino acids

## Energy Transformations

### ❖ Common Forms of Energy

- Energy – *define*
- Kinetic Energy- *define*
- Thermal Energy- *define*
- Light Energy- *define*
- Potential- *define*
- Chemical- *define*

### ❖ The Laws of Thermodynamics

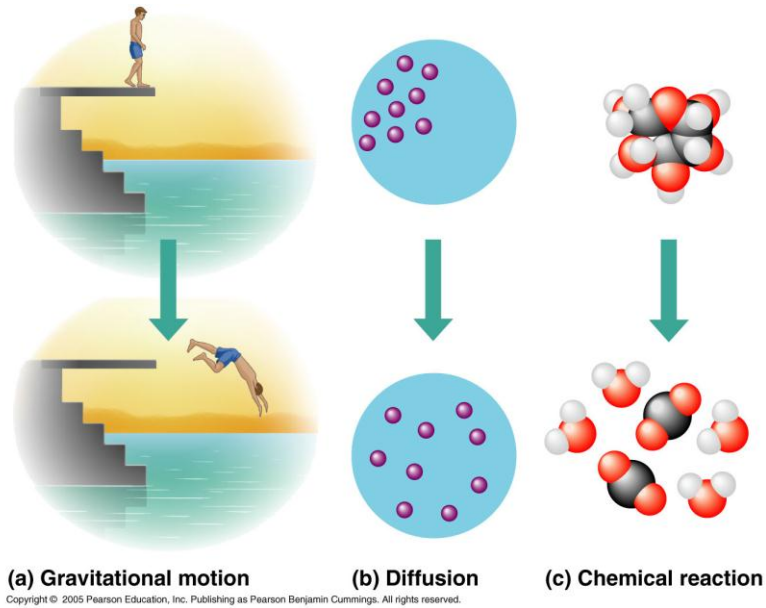
- Energy transformations must adhere to the laws of thermodynamics
- First Law of Thermodynamics- *state*
- Second Law of Thermodynamics- *state*

❖ System vs. Surroundings

- System-
- Surroundings-

❖ Free Energy

- Free Energy ( $\Delta G$ )
  - Spontaneous reaction-
  - Nonspontaneous reaction-

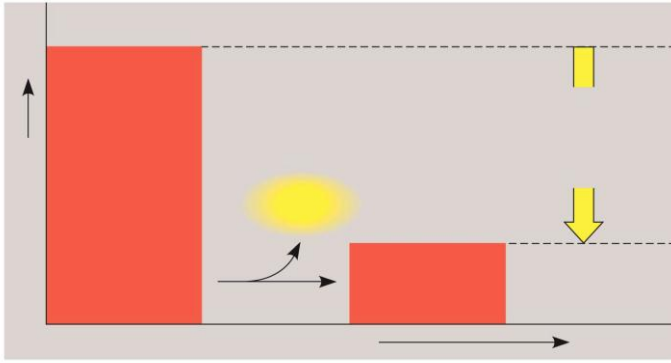


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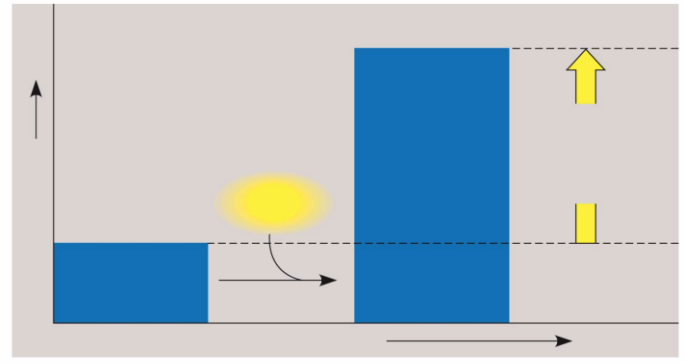
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❖ Equilibrium in Biological Systems

- Most chemical reactions are reversible and proceed in both directions until they reach a balance known as chemical equilibrium
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- Cells at equilibrium =
- The key to maintaining a lack of equilibrium is that the product of one reaction becomes the reactant of the next step until waste is eventually released from the cell

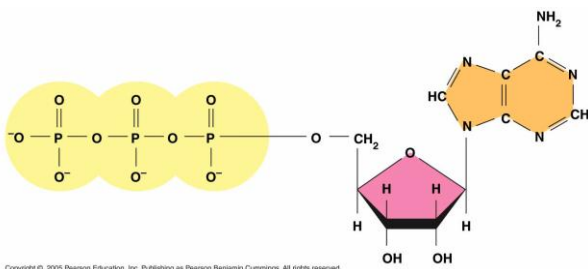
Cellular Work is Powered by ATP

❖ Energy Coupling

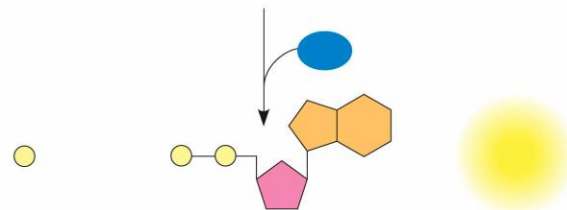
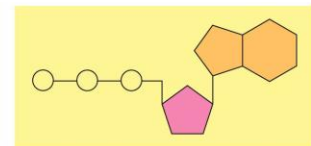
- Energy coupling- *define*
- ATP acts as the intermediate source of energy that powers cellular work

❖ Hydrolysis of ATP

- Hydrolysis reaction can break an inorganic phosphate off of ATP resulting in the release of a substantial amount of energy and the formation of ADP
- Ordinarily this energy would be released in the form of heat = bad for organisms



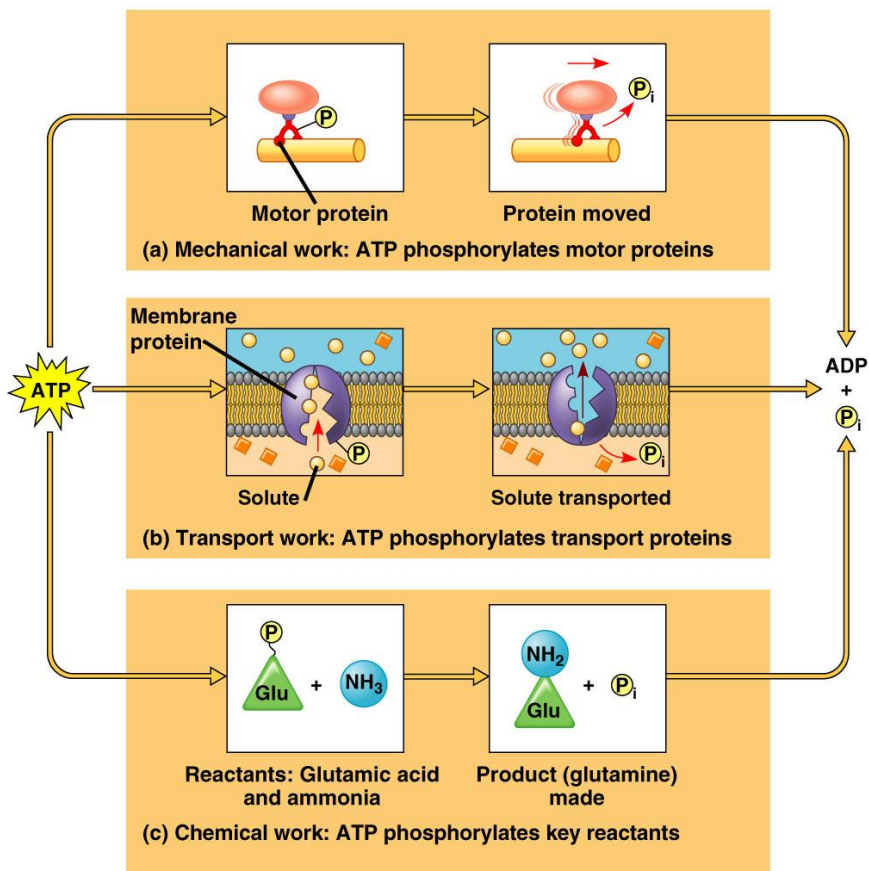
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- Phosphorylation
  - *define*
  - Mediated by enzymes
  - The molecule that accepts the phosphate is said to be *what?*
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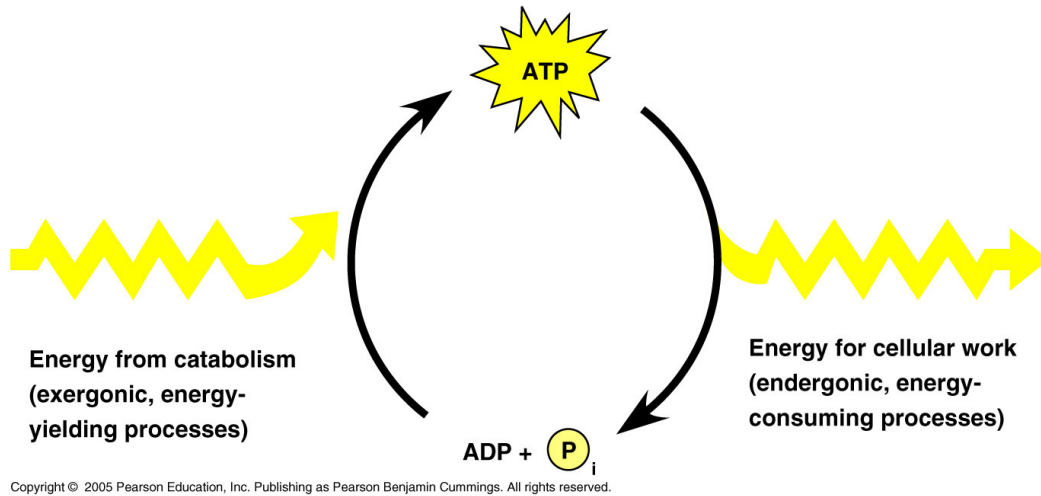
❖ Three Types of Cellular Work

- Mechanical Work
  - *define*
  - Movement of chromosomes, beating of cilia, contraction of muscles
- Transport Work
  - *define*
  - Active transport
- Chemical Work
  - *define*
  - Formation of polymers



❖ Regeneration of ATP

- Energy for endergonic process of making ATP comes from *where?*
- This process happens rapidly!!



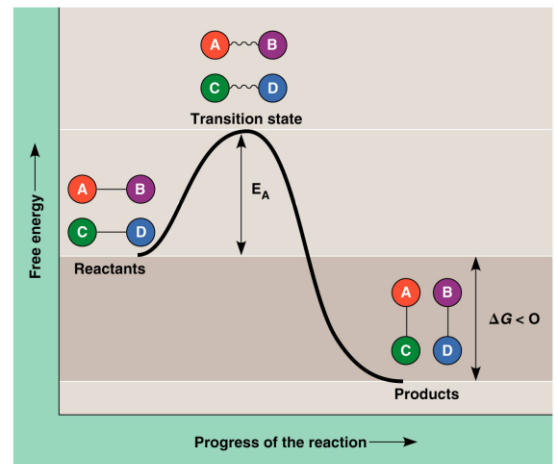
Activation Energy

❖ Chemical Reactions

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❖ Activation Energy  $E_A$

- *define*
- It provides a barrier that determines the
- It is often provided in the form of heat because heat energy causes



- Heat is Unfavorable for Organisms for Two Reasons
  - *List*
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## Enzymes Lower Activation Energy

### ❖ Enzymes

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- Always catalyze reactions
- After an enzyme mediated reaction,

### ❖ Enzyme Structure

- Enzymes are catalytic proteins
  - Catalysts- *define*
  - Proteins have a three dimensional shape
- Active Site- *define*

### ❖ Enzyme Names

- All enzyme names contain the suffix “-ase”
- The name usually hints at what the enzyme does in the cell
  - Example: DNA Polymerase- makes DNA polymers, Primase- lays down primers

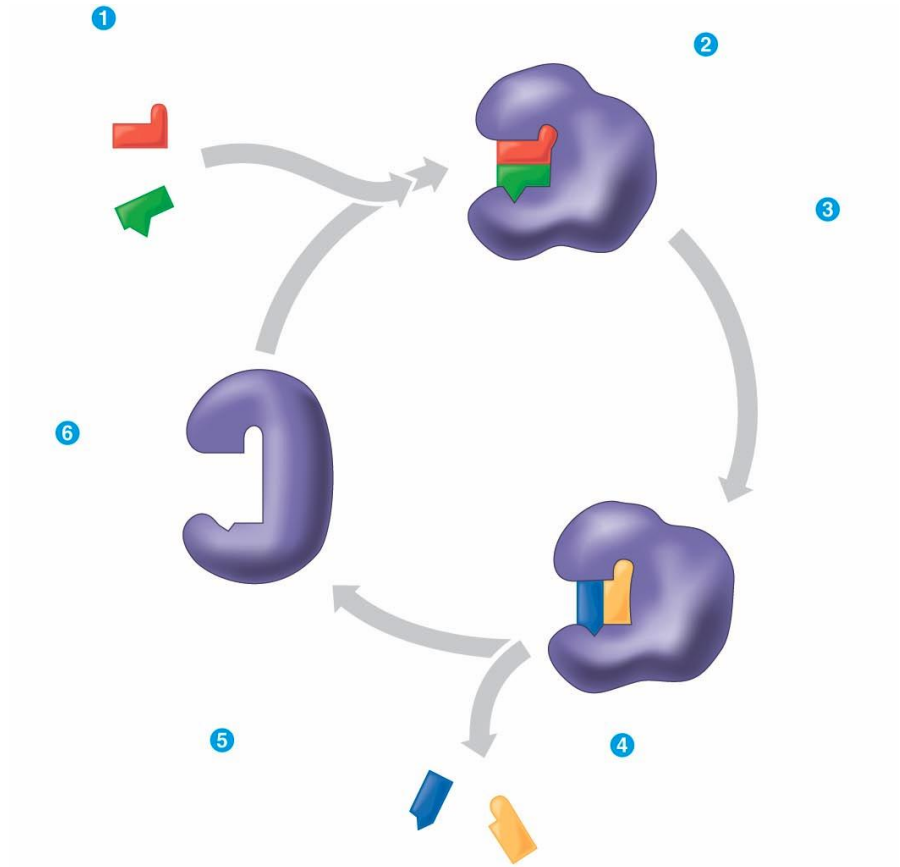
### ❖ Substrate

- Substrate- *define*
- Enzymes are substrate specific- *define*
- Specificity is based on *what?*
- Enzyme-Substrate Complex
  - *When does it form?*
  - Induced Fit- *define/describe*

### ❖ Enzymes Lower Activation Energy by:

- *List*
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Factors that Affect Enzyme Activity

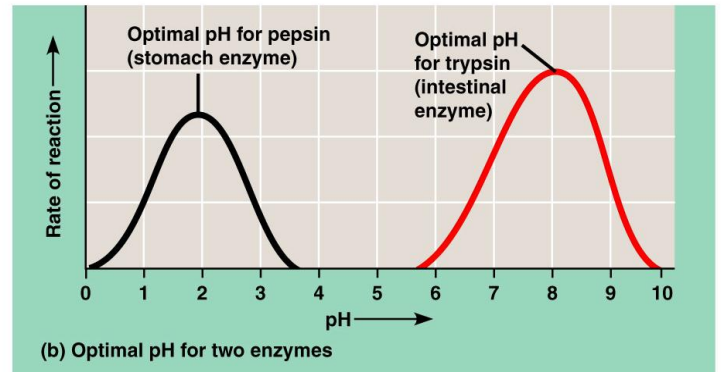
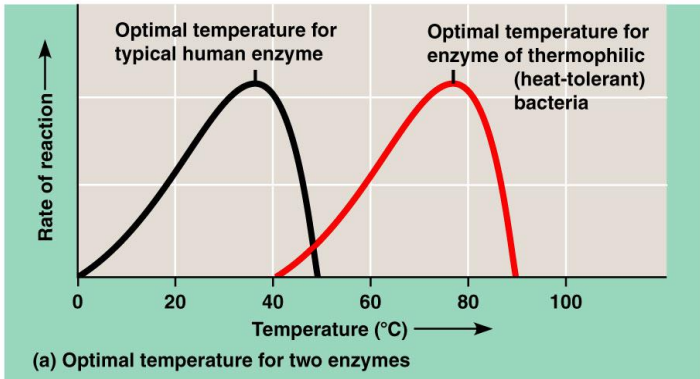
❖ Substrate Concentration

- Increasing the substrate concentration *increases or decreases reaction rate?*
- At some point however the enzyme is said to be “concentrated” *meaning what?*
  - At this point no matter how much substrate is added the reaction rate will not increase
  - The only way to increase the reaction rate would be to *do what?*

❖ Temperature

- Increasing the temperature
  - *Does what to the rate of collisions?*

- *Does what to the reaction rate?*
- If the temperature is elevated too much,
- Each enzyme has an optimal temperature



#### ❖ pH

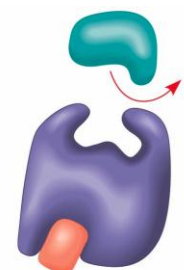
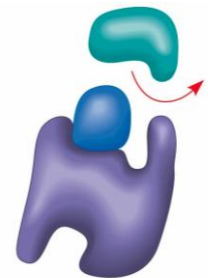
- each enzyme has an optimal pH
- even slight changes in pH will denature enzymes

#### ❖ Cofactors

- Cofactors- *define*
- May be bound tightly to the enzyme or may bind loosely and reversibly with the substrate
- Coenzymes- *define*

#### ❖ Enzyme Inhibitors

- Competitive Inhibitors
  - Bind the *where?*
  - *How do they effect enzyme productivity?*
  - *How can there effects be overcome?*
- Noncompetitive Inhibitors
  - Do not bind the active site, *but where?*
  - *How does their binding effect the enzyme? Be specific?*





## Regulation of Enzyme Activity

### ❖ Production

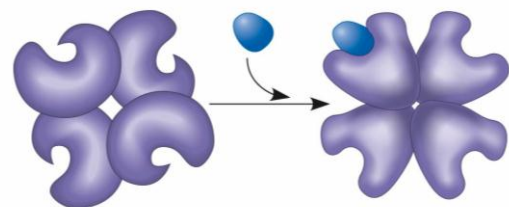
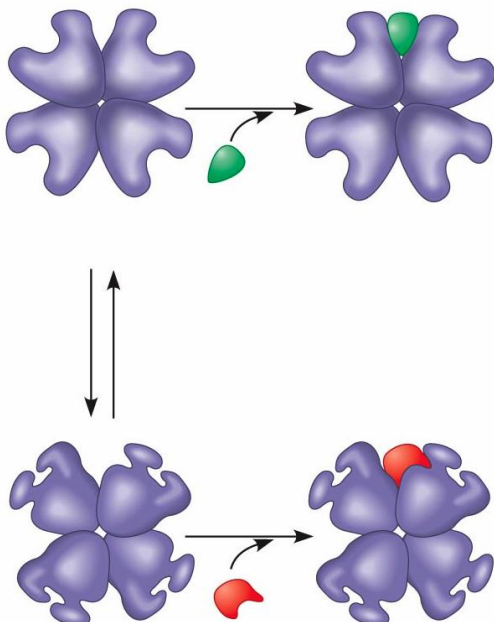
- Enzymes are often regulated by when and in what quantity they are produced through transcription and translation

### ❖ Allosteric Regulation

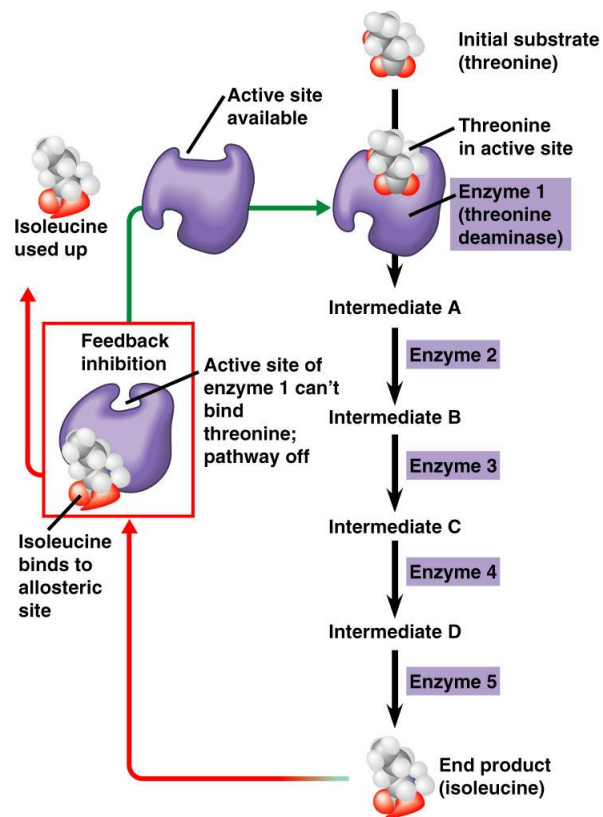
- *Define*
- Allosterically regulated enzymes usually have multiple subunits

### ❖ Allosteric Activation and Inhibition

- Enzymes often have active and inactive conformations
- Allosteric activators- *define*
- Allosteric inhibitors- *define*
- Cooperativity- *define*



- Feedback Inhibition
  - *When/how does it occur?*
  - *How does this benefit the cell?*



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