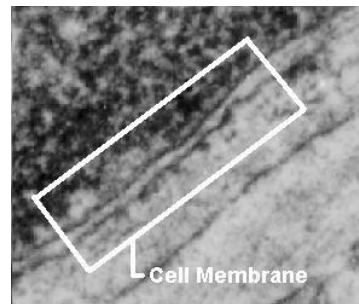


Cellular Transport Notes

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About Cell Membranes

- All cells have a cell membrane
- **Functions:**
 - Controls what enters and exits the cell to maintain an internal balance called **homeostasis**
 - Provides protection and support for the cell



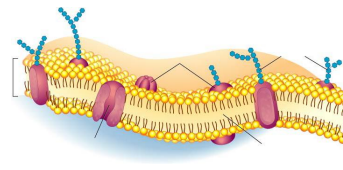
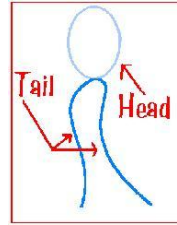
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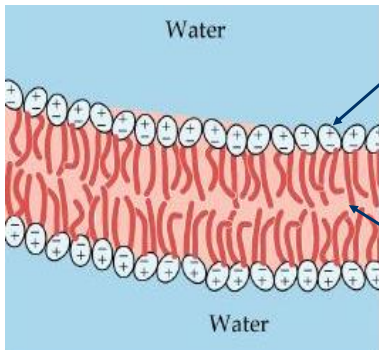
1. Structure of cell membrane

Lipid Bilayer -2 layers of phospholipids

- Phosphate head is *polar* (water loving)
- Fatty acid tails *non-polar* (water fearing)
- Proteins embedded in membrane



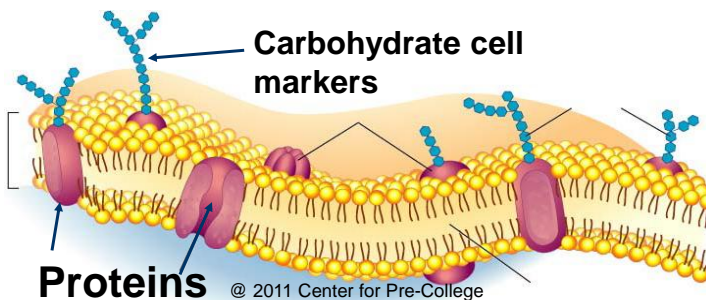
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Polar heads **love water** & dissolve.

Non-polar tails **hide from water.**

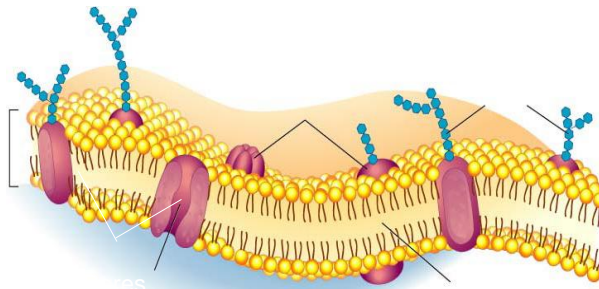
Fluid Mosaic Model of the cell membrane



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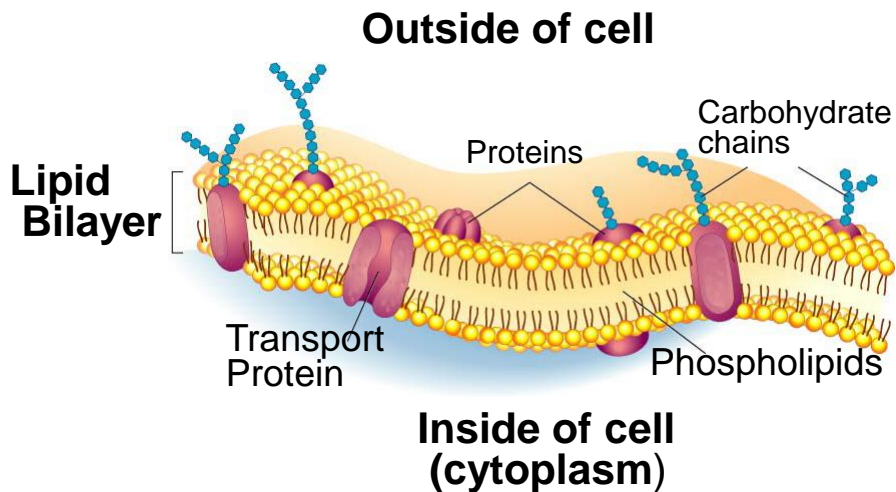
About Cell Membranes (continued)

- 4. Cell membranes have pores (holes) in it
 - **Selectively permeable:** Allows some molecules in and keeps other molecules out
 - The structure helps it be selective!



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Structure of the Cell Membrane



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Types of Cellular Transport

- **Passive Transport**
cell doesn't use energy
 1. Diffusion
 2. Facilitated Diffusion
 3. Osmosis
- **Active Transport**
cell does use energy
 1. Protein Pumps
 2. Endocytosis

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Passive Transport

- cell **uses no energy**
- molecules move randomly
- Molecules spread out **from an area of high concentration to an area of low concentration.**
- **(High → Low)**
- **Three types:**

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3 Types of Passive Transport

- **Diffusion**
- **Facilitative Diffusion** – diffusion with the help of transport proteins
- **Osmosis** – diffusion of water

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Passive Transport:

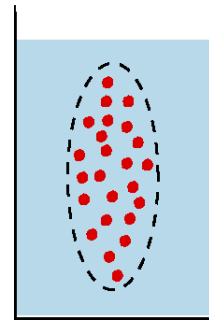
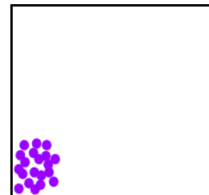
1. Diffusion

- **Diffusion:** random movement of particles **from an area of high concentration to an area of low concentration.**

(High to Low)

- Diffusion continues until all molecules are evenly spaced (**equilibrium** is reached)-**Note:** molecules will still move around but stay spread out.

[Simple Diffusion Animation](#)



<http://bio.winona.edu/berg/Free.htm>

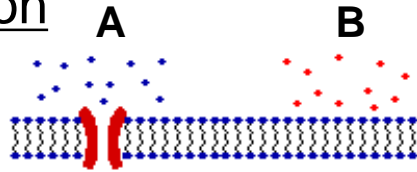
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Passive Transport:

2. Facilitated Diffusion

2. Facilitated diffusion:
diffusion of specific particles
through carrier proteins
found in the membrane

- Carrier Proteins are specific – they “select” only certain molecules to cross the membrane
- Transports larger or charged molecules



**Facilitated
diffusion
(Channel
Protein)**

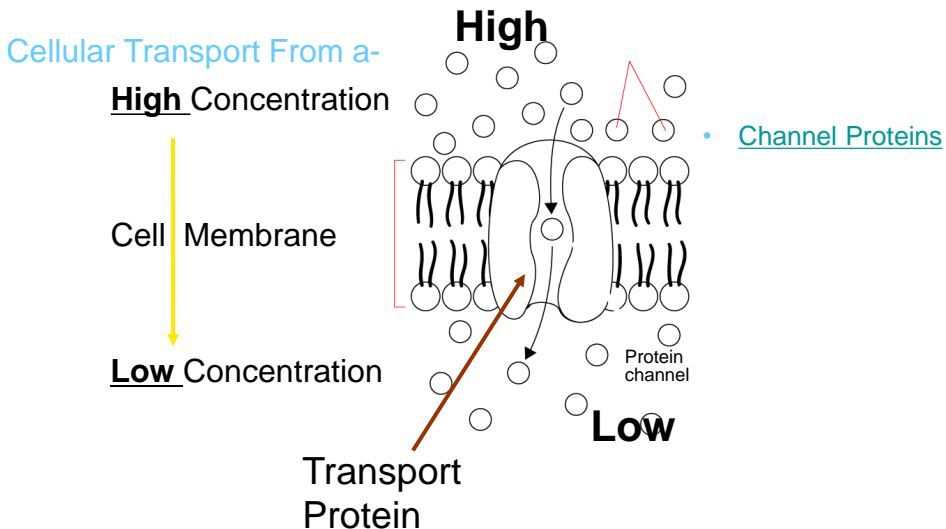
**Diffusion
(Lipid
Bilayer)**



Carrier Protein

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Passive Transport: 2. Facilitated Diffusion



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Facilitated Diffusion

Ion Channels

- Transport ions from high concentration to low concentration
- Transport ions such as Sodium (Na^+) Potassium(K^+), Calcium(Ca^{2+}), and Chloride(Cl^-)
- Because ions are not soluble in Lipids, they cannot diffuse across the bilayer.
- Ion channels will open and close in order to allow specific molecules to cross the membrane.

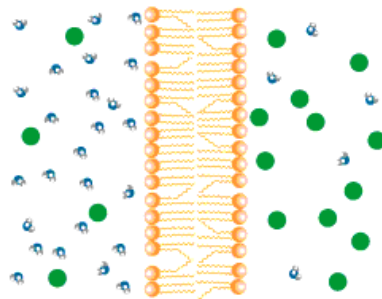
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Passive Transport:

3. Osmosis

- **3.Osmosis:** diffusion of *water* through a selectively permeable membrane
- Water moves from high to low concentrations

Osmosis



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Active Transport

cell **uses energy**

actively moves molecules to where they are needed

Movement **from an area of low concentration to an area of high concentration**

(Low → High)

- Three Types:

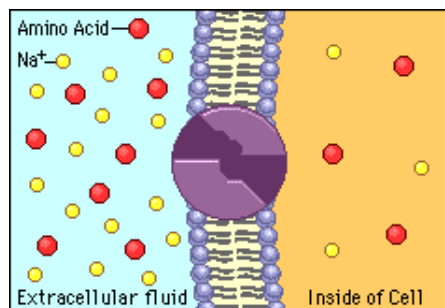
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Types of Active Transport

[Sodium](#)
[Potassium Pumps](#)

1. Protein Pumps - transport proteins that require energy to do work

- Example: Sodium / Potassium Pumps are important in nerve responses.



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Sodium Potassium Pump

- 1. Sodium ions bind to the carrier protein on the cytoplasm side of the membrane while the carrier protein removes the phosphate group from the ATP
- 2. The phosphate group binds to the carrier protein changing its shape
- 3. The carrier protein carries the three sodium ions across membrane and forces them into the environment

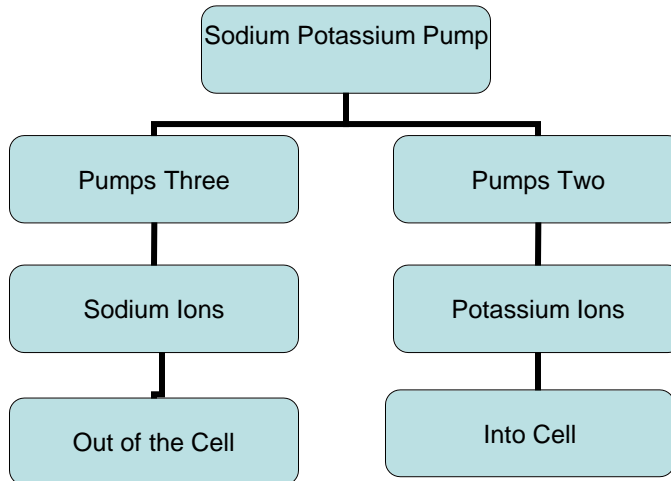
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Sodium Potassium Pump Continued

- 4. The carrier protein now has the correct shape to carry two potassium ions across the membrane and into the cell; the potassium ions bind to the carrier proteins
- 5. The phosphate group (from the ATP earlier) is released, and the carrier original shape is restored
- 6. This causes the potassium ions to be released into the cytoplasm

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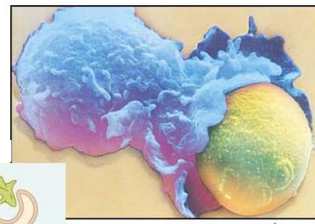
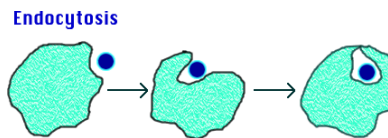
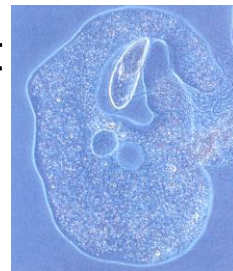
Sodium Potassium Pump



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Types of Active Transport

- **2. Endocytosis:** taking bulky material into a cell
 - Uses energy
 - Cell membrane in-folds around food particle
 - “*cell eating*”
 - forms food vacuole & digests food
 - This is how white blood cells eat bacteria!



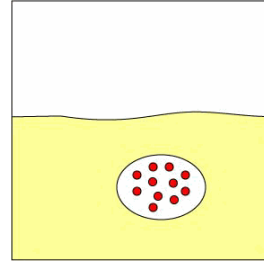
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Types of Active Transport

3. **Exocytosis** Forces material out of cell in bulk

- membrane surrounding the material fuses with cell membrane
- Cell changes shape – requires energy
- EX: Hormones or wastes released from cell

[Endocytosis & Exocytosis](#)



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Effects of Osmosis on Life

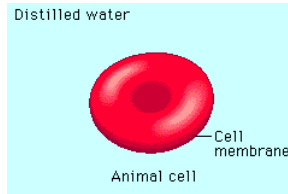
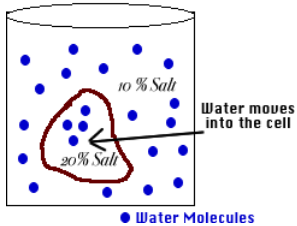
- Osmosis- diffusion of water through a selectively permeable membrane
- **Water is so small and there is so much of it the cell can't control it's movement through the cell membrane.**

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Hypotonic Solution

Hypotonic: The solution has a lower concentration of solutes and a higher concentration of water than inside the cell. (**Low solute; High water**)

Solution is Hypotonic



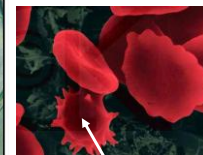
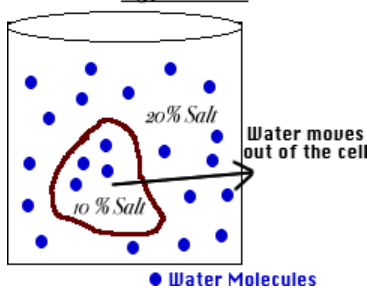
Result: Water moves from the solution to inside the cell): Cell Swells and bursts open (*cytolysis*)!

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Hypertonic Solution

Hypertonic: The solution has a higher concentration of solutes and a lower concentration of water than inside the cell. (**High solute; Low water**)

Solution is Hypertonic



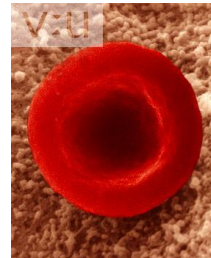
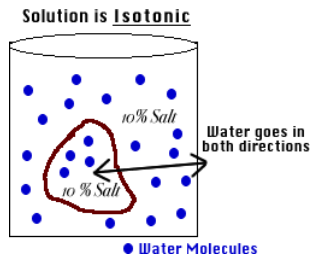
shrinks

Result: Water moves from inside the cell into the solution: Cell shrinks (*Plasmolysis*)!

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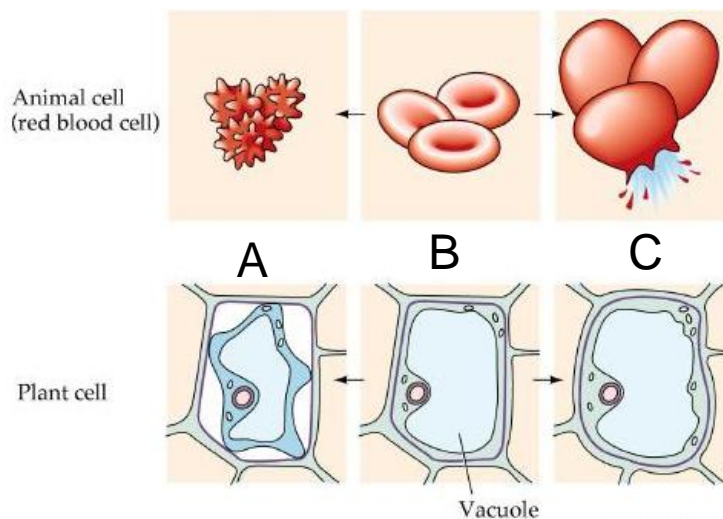
Isotonic Solution

Isotonic: The concentration of solutes in the solution is equal to the concentration of solutes inside the cell.



Result: Water moves equally in both directions and the cell remains same size! (Dynamic Equilibrium)

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How Organisms Deal with Osmotic Pressure

- Bacteria and plants have cell walls that prevent them from over-expanding. In plants the pressure exerted on the cell wall is called turgor pressure.

A protist like paramecium has contractile vacuoles that collect water flowing in and pump it out to prevent them from over-expanding.

- Salt water fish pump salt out of their specialized gills so they do not dehydrate.

- Animal cells are bathed in blood. Kidneys keep the blood isotonic by remove excess salt and water.