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The Movement of Molecules:

Diffusion, Osmosis & Active Transport



For additional resources on this lecture topic, see the <u>Diffusion</u>, <u>Osmosis & Active Transport main page</u> on <u>SPO</u>.

### Prokaryotes

### Plasma Membrane

- Separates the cell from its environment.
- Phospholipid molecules oriented so that hydrophilic water-loving heads directed outward and hydrophobic water-hating tails directed inward.
- Proteins embedded in two layers of lipids (lipid bilayer).
- Membrane is semi-permeable.
  Q: What does that mean?



## **Passive Transport**

Primary function of plasma membrane regulate movement of molecules entering or leaving cell.

Movement of molecules across plasma membrane requires energy.

Movement of molecules is passive if no energy sources of the *cell* are expended.

**Diffusion** = when molecules move down a concentration gradient, from a higher to a lower concentration.

Q: What type of things might affect the rate of diffusion?





# Passive Transport - Osmosis

- Q: Diffusion of **what** across the plasma membrane?
- Environment surrounding cells may contain amounts of dissolved substances (solutes) that are...
  - equal to
  - less than
  - greater than

... those found with in the cell.

#### Osmosis



Low Sugar Concentration High Sugar Concentration High Water Concentration Low Water Concentration



# Passive Transport - Osmosis

### Tonicity and <u>Osmosis</u>

- isotonic: equal concentration of a solute inside and outside of cell.
- hypertonic: a higher concentration of solute.
- hypotonic: a lower concentration of solute.

### Water will always move toward a hypertonic environment!!



### Passive Transport – Osmosis

Let's do some osmosis problems, to practice our knowledge.



## **Passive Transport**

### **Facilitated Diffusion**

Proteins assist in <u>diffusion</u> of molecules across plasma membrane.

Movement only occurs in the presence of a concentration gradient.

Some molecules move across the membrane more quickly if diffusion is facilitated by a carrier molecule.



# Active Transport

- How most molecules move across the plasma membrane.
- Analogous to a pump moving water uphill.
- Types of active transport are classified by type of energy used to drive molecules across membranes.

#### ATP Driven Active Transport

Energy from adenosine triphosphate (<u>ATP</u>) drives substances across the plasma membrane with aid of carrier molecules.





Here are some links to fun resources that further explain Cell Biology:

- <u>Diffusion, Osmosis & Active Transport</u> Main
  Page, Virtual Cell Biology Classroom of <u>Science Prof Online</u> website.
- "The Osmosis Song" music video by Duanie Films.
- Osmosis Demonstration with raw egg by the harpe.
- "Osmosis Jones" movie trailer. If you haven't seen this yet, you must watch it immediately! It's awesome!
- Osmosis Animation and Quiz by McGraw-Hill.
- <u>Active Transport Animation and Quiz</u> Sodium Potassium Pump, by McGraw-Hill.
- Diffusion Animation and Quiz by McGraw-Hill.
- Facilitated Diffusion Animation and Quiz by McGraw-Hill.

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