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Molecular  
Biology  
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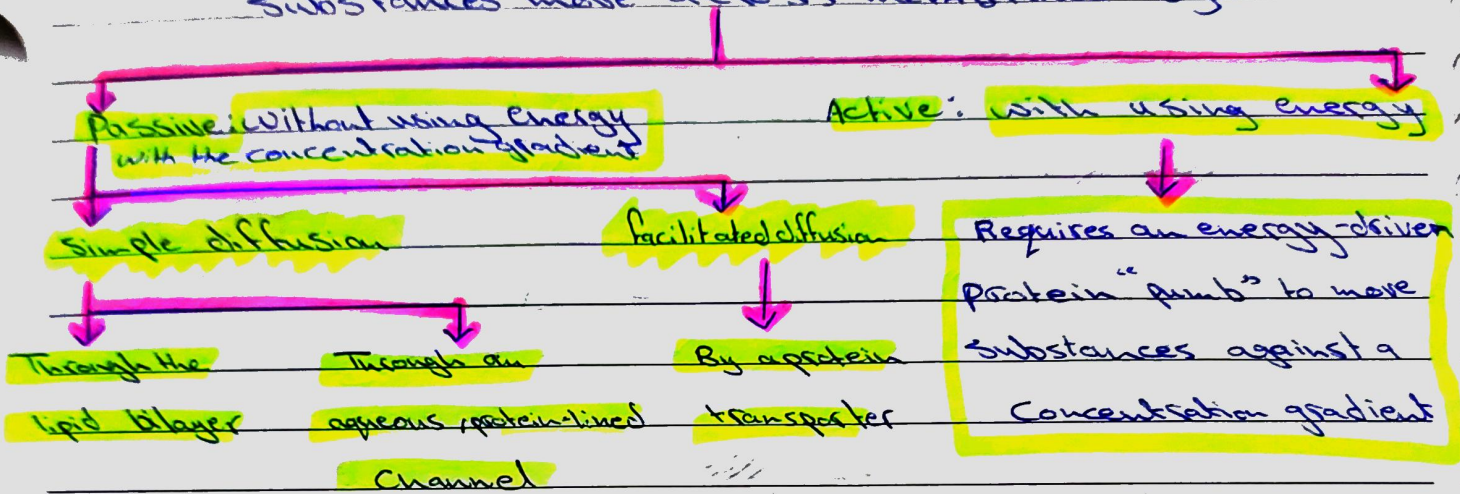
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## 8.91 Solute movement across Cell membrane

**Selective permeability** → Allows for exchange of materials across the plasma membrane.

Substances move across membranes by:



Diffusion requires **Concentration gradient** and **membrane permeability**

**Lipid permeability depends** on **the molecular size**, **polarity**, and **partition coefficient**.

The ratio of solubility in a non polar solvent to that in water

partition coefficient  $\propto$  Diffusion

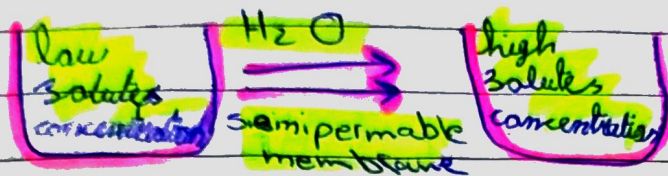
the size  $\propto \frac{1}{\text{diffusion}}$

(hydrophobic) the polarity  $\propto \frac{1}{\text{diffusion}}$

## 8.10 | The Osmosis

Semipermeable → permeable for  $H_2O$   
unpermeable for solutes

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hypotonic → less solute · (cells swell)

hypertonic → more solute · (shrink)

isotonic → A normal amount of solute (unchanged)

Animal cells → isotonic (without cell wall)  
↓  
the normal situation

plant cells → hypotonic (with cell wall)  
↓  
the normal situation

Because the cell wall opposes the internal pressure.  
that pushes against it. (turgor pressure)

In the hypertonic environment the chloroplasts  
clumpes. (جُمِعَت) جُمِعَت

aquaporins have (specific amino acid residues)  
that allow water to pass (amino acid with  
positive charge / Oxygen with partially negative)

Ions pass through the **specific channels** in **bidirection** (depending on the gradient).

**Electrochemical gradient.** →

Ion channels have been characterized by **patch clamping experiments.**

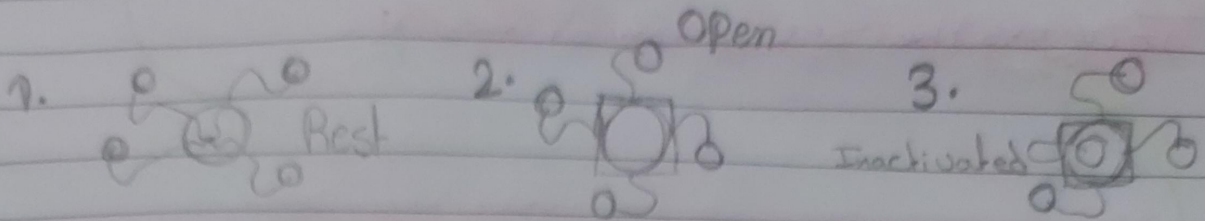
## ↑ **THE TYPES OF CHANNELS** ← ions & gases

\* **GATED** (**open/closed conformation**)

1. **Voltage-gated channels** → differences in the membrane potential.
2. **Ligand-gated channels** → binding with specific molecule (usually not the solutes that will pass)
3. **Mechano-gated channels** → the stretch tension that is applied to the membrane.

The channels are fast passage of ions  
ion channels involved in the transporting  
of the electrical signals in the nervous cells

## Conformational States of a Voltage-gated $K^+$ ion channel.



## 8.12.1 Facilitated Diffusion

By using facilitative transporters (protein) without using ATP (Energy)

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involving the change of the shape (solute binding / releasing) In both direction depending on the relative concentration

Specific to the Molecules

Facilitated diffusion depends on concentration transporter

Concentration gradient  $\uparrow$  Rate of simple diffusion  $\uparrow$   
Facilitated in the beginning will decrease until it reach to the saturation level and then the rate will be constant.

GLUT has many types depending on the type of the cell

1. Increasing in blood glucose levels

2. Triggers the secretion of insulin

3.

The GLUT4 (which uptakes the glucose) exists on physicals inside the cells. These are a few GLUT4 on the surface of the cells.

4.

The production of insulin stimulates GLUT4 to move to the cell surface.

5.

Cells uptake the glucose when it binds with GLUT4.

6.

The glucose concentration in the blood will decrease to the NATURE.

## 8.13 | Active Transport

Simple - facilitated diffusion  $\rightarrow$  equilibrium.

Low Concentration  $\rightarrow$  High Concentration

## Active Transporting

Transporting is driven by changes in protein conformation. (against the concentration gradient using energy)

$E_1$  Conformation  $\rightarrow$  high affinity of  $Na^+$

$E_2$  Conformation  $\rightarrow$  high affinity of  $K^+$

ATP  $\rightarrow$  Energy source

The thing that stimulates the change of conformation is the phosphorylation and dephosphorylation. In the active transport while in facilitated transport is the binding and releasing.

Sodium - potassium  $\rightarrow$  Animal cell (electrogenic)  
bacteria & plants  $\rightarrow$   $H^+$  pump (electrogenic)

ER  $\rightarrow$   $Ca^{+2}$  utilis

$Ca^{+2}$  involved in the signals transduction  
and the second messenger

lysosomes' enzymes are active in acidic  
state, so  $H^{+}$  is actively transported.