

- Vacuole-storage organelle, in all eukaryotes, though most prevalent in plant cells as a central vacuole and stores water; contractile vacuole squeezes out water to propel cell or modify tonicity
- o Endosymbiotic Theory
  - Eukaryotic cell formed when one cell engulfed another
  - Mitochondria, chloroplasts, and nucleus can act like their own cells
    - Contain their own DNA
    - Can make proteins
    - Have double membranes
    - Have ribosomes
    - Divide independently
- o Cell size
  - Surface area: volume ratio
    - Want a high ratio
    - Want more surface area, and less volume (demand)
- 6) Chapter 5, Part 1
  - o Membrane structure and components
    - Fluid mosaic models: can move and is made of many parts
    - Made of amphipathic phospholipids arranged in a bilayer
      - Constant lateral movement and little flip-flop
      - Hydrophilic heads and hydrophobic tails
    - Integral and peripheral membrane proteins
    - Glycolipids and glycoproteins-carbohydrates attached for cell-cell recognition
    - Membrane proteins:
      - Channels and carriers
      - Stationary enzymes
      - Receptors
      - Recognition/communication
      - Junctions
      - Maintenance of cell exterior (protein matrix)
  - o Rules of Membrane Permeability
    - Selective permeability
    - Main function of membrane is to decide what can and cannot enter the cell
    - Nonpolar dissolve freely
    - Ions and polar molecules are slowed or stopped and will need a transporter (charged atoms, glucose, water)
  - o Passive transport
    - Simple diffusion-occurs for molecules that easily cross the membrane on their own
    - Osmosis-diffusion of water
      - Tonicity-ability of a surrounding solution to cause a cell to gain or lose water

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- Move signal through the cell
  - Sequence of phosphorylation
    - Done by protein called kinases
    - Add a phosphate
  - Phosphorylation cascade
- Response
  - Cellular response-changing enzymatic activity
  - Nuclear response-involves transcription factors and change in production in the cell
- Reception of Cell signals
  - G protein-coupled receptors (extracellular)
    - Receptor binds to ligand, shape change leads to binding of G protein, G protein is then turned on by joining with GTP, active G protein goes to a specific enzyme and activates it to lead to a cellular response, system is reset
  - Receptor Tyrosine Kinases-RTKs (extracellular)
    - Set off a lot of signal transduction pathways at once
    - Dimerization of receptors causes the kinase portion of the molecule to add phosphates (from ATP) to its tyrosine amino acids
  - Ligand-Gated Ion Channels (extracellular)
    - Channel with a closed gate will open when its bound by a particular ligand, allowing ion influx into the cell
  - Intracellular receptors
    - Small, hydrophobic ligands can act as messengers that freely cross the membrane, so some receptors can be found in the cytoplasm or even nucleus
- Transduction of Signals (Signal transduction pathways)
  - Signal transduction pathways are like falling dominoes
    - Interaction of mostly proteins in sequences acting like “relay molecules”
  - Phosphorylation
    - Addition of a phosphate causes a change in shape of a protein
    - Generally activates a protein
    - Done by protein kinase-enzymes that transfer phosphate groups from ATP to a protein
  - Dephosphorylation
    - Taking away of a phosphate
    - Generally deactivates a protein
    - Done by protein phosphatase-enzymes that remove phosphate groups, forms ATP, can shut off a communication signal
  - Cell communication relies upon a balance of kinases and phosphatases
  - Second Messenger systems

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- o Only about 34% of the potential chemical energy in glucose is transferred to heat, and the rest is lost from the system as heat
- o Carbohydrates are best because they start at the beginning of the process and can therefore generate more ATP
- o Overall payoffs: 34 from ETC, 2 from glycolysis, 2 from Krebs Cycle, none from fermentation (just estimates)
- o Regulation of processes
  - Basic supply and demand
  - Feedback inhibition (negative feedback control) from citrate and ATP
    - Will send products back and stop the process
  - Positive feedback from AMP (indicates lack of ATP) and will activate enzymes

## 11) Chapter 8

- Heterotrophs vs Autotrophs
  - o Heterotrophs-consumers; don't make their own "food"
  - o Autotrophs-producers; plants, algae, and cyanobacteria that can generate their own "food"
- Chloroplast structure and function and Basics of light function
  - o Chloroplasts
    - Present in all green parts of the plant
    - Found in mesophyll cells-interior tissue of the leaf
    - Double-membrane envelope surrounding a dense fluid stroma
    - Thylakoids-membranous sacs (thylakoids of membranes) enclosed in the chloroplast
      - Stacks called grana
      - Chlorophyll (green pigment) resides in the thylakoid membranes
  - o Light function
    - Provide energy for photosynthesis
    - Chlorophyll a, Chlorophyll b, and carotenoids help light absorption
    - Chlorophylls absorb all light other than yellow/green, which it reflects
- Photosynthesis
  - o Production of carbohydrates from sunlight and CO<sub>2</sub>
    - The Light Reactions
      - Production of NADPH through electron excitation
      - Production of ATP through chemiosmosis/photophosphorylation
        - o Pumping of H<sup>+</sup> across protein chain between photosystems
        - o Photophosphorylation=phosphorylation powered by light
      - Splitting of H<sub>2</sub>O to harvest electrons-production of O<sub>2</sub>
      - Converting solar energy into chemical energy in the form of ATP and NADPH
      - Does not involve making carbohydrates or using CO<sub>2</sub>
      - Chlorophylls do the majority of light absorption, while carotenoids are involved in photoprotection-absorption of excessive light energy
      - Photosystems consist of Reaction center and light-harvesting complex
        - o PSII-comes first, contains P680
        - o PSI-comes second, contains P700