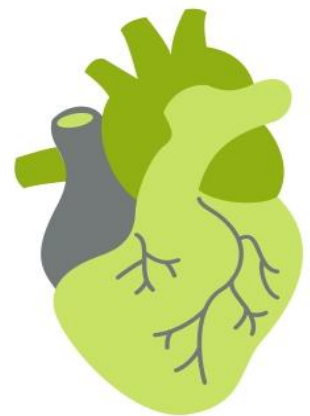
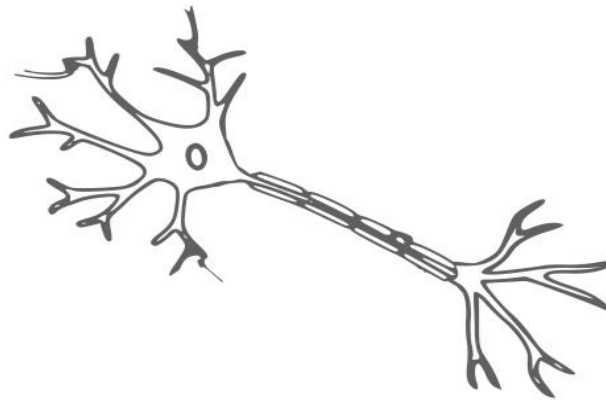


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# Physiology



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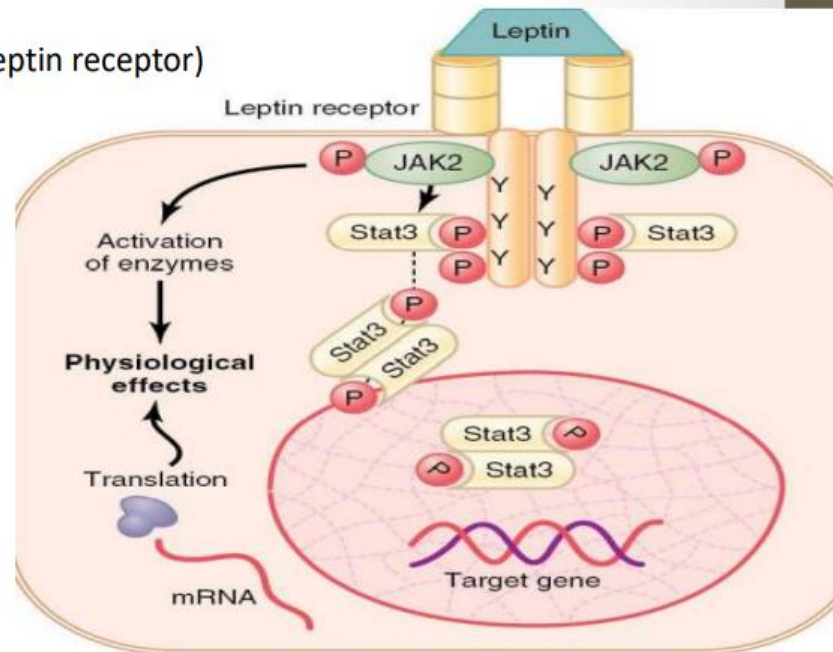
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## Enzyme-linked Receptor (the Leptin receptor)

JAK= Janus Kinase

STAT= Signal Transducer and  
Activator of Transcription

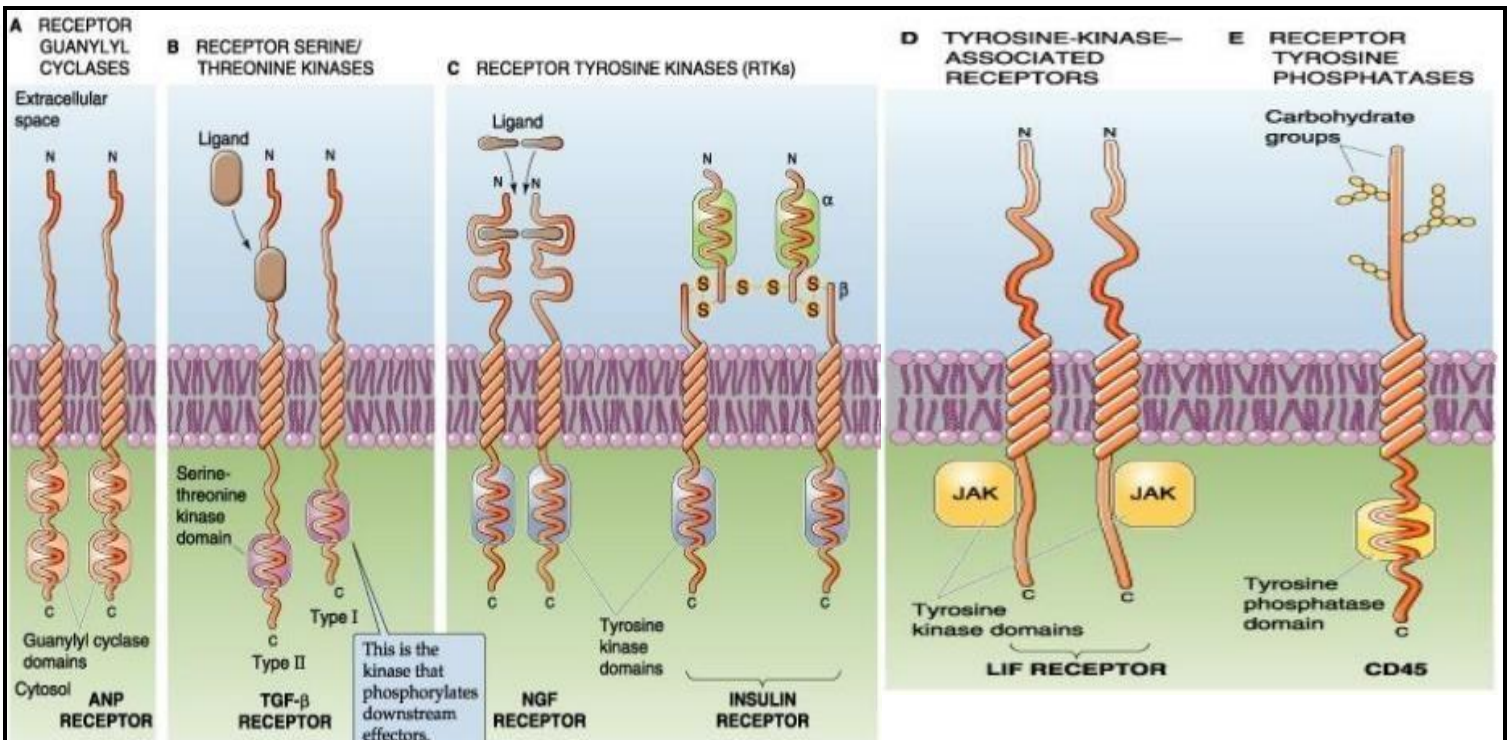


(the picture above), is an example of enzyme-linked receptor non-covalently linked to the receptor → **LEPTIN RECEPTOR**

-Once the leptin receptor is activated it induces phosphorylation of JAK, this will activate downstream enzymes, or the phosphorylation of Stat3 molecules, Stat3 (signal transducers and activator of transcription), so it activates the transcription. Usually, Stat3 dimerizes and enters the nucleus to induce transcription of certain targets.

- The receptor exists as a **homodimer** (two identical parts)
- Leptin binds to the extracellular part of the receptor
- This causes activation of the intracellular **associated janus kinase 2**
- This causes **phosphorylation** of signal transducer and activator of transcription (STAT) proteins
- This then activates the transcription of target genes and synthesis of proteins
- JAK 2 phosphorylation also activates several other enzyme systems that mediate some of the more rapid effects of leptin

(leptin is an important hormone of satiety, and lipid-tissue metabolism.)



A- Receptor guanylyl cyclase is an enzyme-linked receptor and the guanylyl cyclase is a part of it →(ANP receptors),c GMP is 2nd messenger

B- Receptor serine/threonine kinase, the receptor contain serine-threonine kinase EX. TGF-B

C- RTK ,contains tyrosine kinase domains. (INSULIN RECEPTOR)

D- Tyrosine-Kinase-Associated Receptors (non-covalently) -JAK

E- Receptor Tyrosine Phosphatases (immune system).

## Second Messengers: for Hormones that can't cross the plasma membrane.

- second messengers are required for intracellular signalling, especially for hormones that cannot pass the plasma membrane.

-So, they are the molecules that transmit the transduced signal by the binding of the hormone to the cell surface receptor.

Types of Second messengers to be discussed: A- cAMP. B-cGMP. C-IP3 & DAG. D- Ca<sup>2+</sup> .

**A. cAMP:** most common.

i. Production of cAMP: ATP converted to cAMP by adenylate cyclase (a large multi pass TM protein).

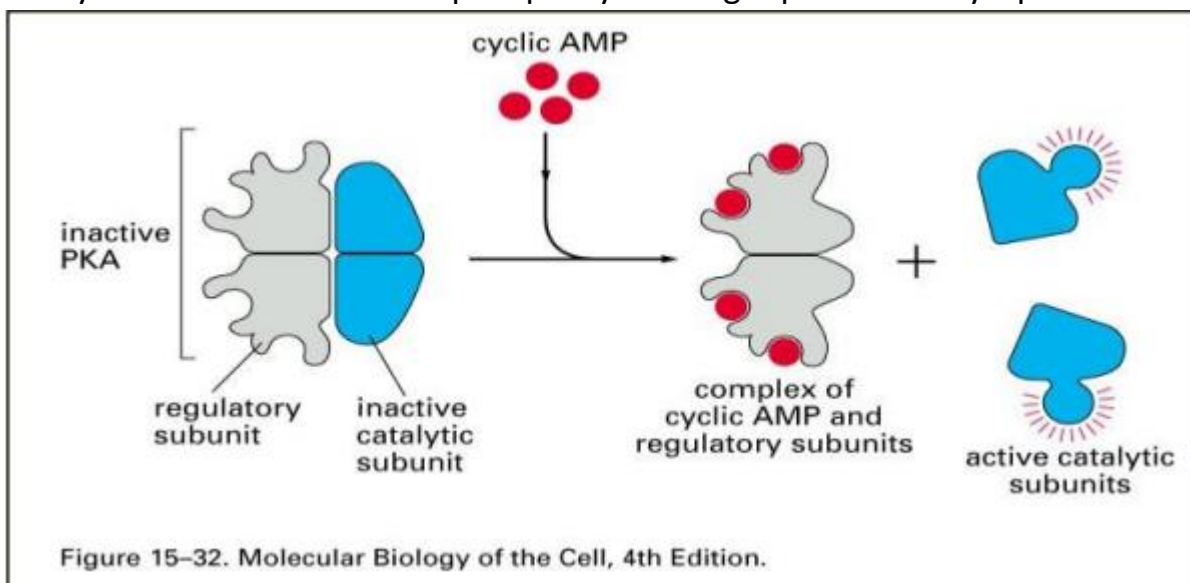
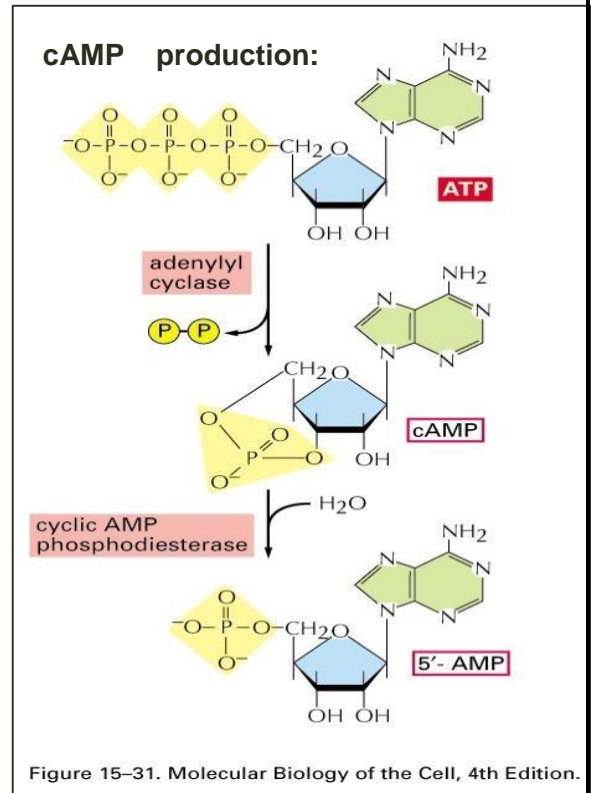
Degradation (turned off) by cAMP phosphodiesterase ii.

Action of cAMP:

- their **target** is cAMP-dependent **protein kinase** (protein kinase A (PKA)).

important note: the doctor said just memorise the enzyme that gets activated by Camp the activation mechanism is not required. 😊cheer up.

**You** just need to know that PKA is a tetramer of catalytic and regulatory subunits, cAMP binding leads to dissociation of regulatory subunits and release of catalytic subunits which then phosphorylate target proteins in cytoplasm.



## PKA Functions: 1-phosphorylation of proteins. 2-change gene expression.

How can PKA change gene expression?

- PKA can enter the nucleus directly, any signal that enters the nucleus is called a third messenger.

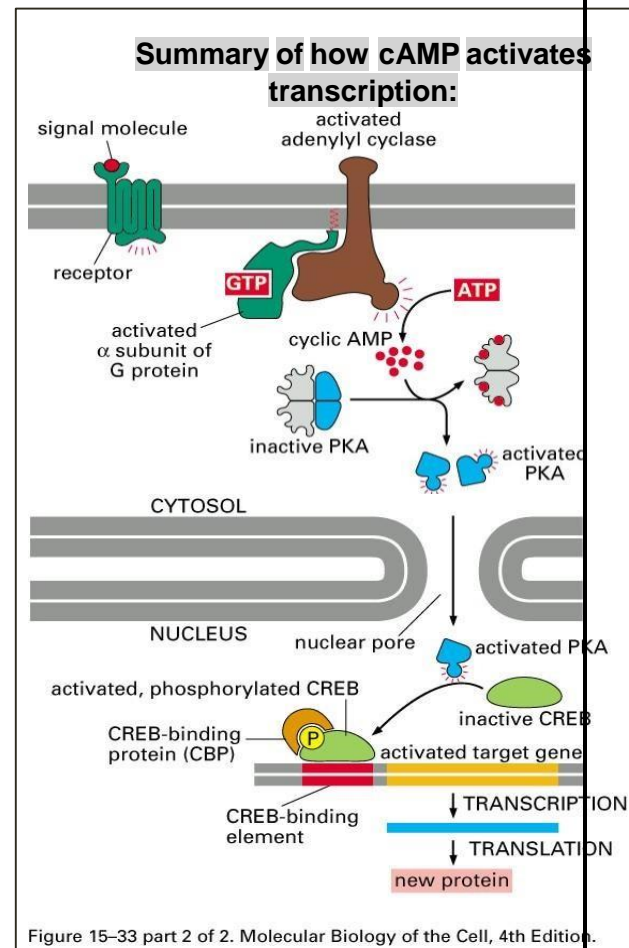
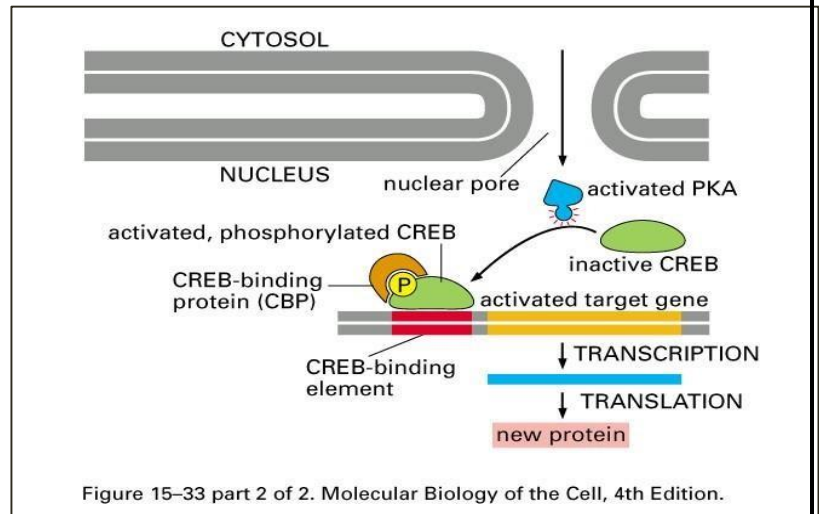
-after it enters the nucleus, PKA phosphorylates **CREB**; is a CRE binding protein.

-**CRE** (cyclic-AMP response element) is a regulatory DNA sequence associated with specific genes.

-once CREB protein is phosphorylated by PKA, it binds to the (CRE) and activates it, which results in activation of transcription of those genes adjacent to the CREB-binding element by the activation of cAMP (see the picture above)

-CREB phosphorylation by PKA → CREB binds to its element → Activation of gene transcription.

In conclusion: PKA throughout cAMP can change gene expression.



*Rapid turn on and rapid turn off of cAMP.*

Receptors that cause increase in cAMP do so by activating G<sub>s</sub>, a stimulatory protein that activates adenylyl cyclase.

adenylyl cyclase is the enzyme that produces cAMP once its activated by the alpha  $\alpha$  subunit of G<sub>s</sub>. cAMP in its role binds to PKA, and PKA performs the two functions mentioned above.

Regulation of adenylate cyclase:

Adenylyl cyclase is turned off by G<sub>i</sub>, an inhibitory protein.

Question: what turns off proteins activated by protein kinases?

*Pathogens alter cAMP production:*

(abnormalities in cAMP production caused by micro-organisms).

**Cholera toxin** active subunit catalyzes transfer of ADP ribose from intracellular NAD to the  $\alpha$  subunit of G<sub>s</sub>, causing it to be **continuously active**, stimulating adenylyl cyclase indefinitely.

adenylyl cyclase would be active all the time by the continuously active alpha G<sub>s</sub> subunit.

This causes ion channels in GI tract that export chloride to produce a net efflux (**secretion**) of chloride ions Cl<sup>-</sup> and water, leading to severe diarrhea, a characteristic of cholera.

-if cAMP weren't turned off, this would cause severe and deleterious effects on our body that can be fatal like diarrhea.

## Second type of second messenger.

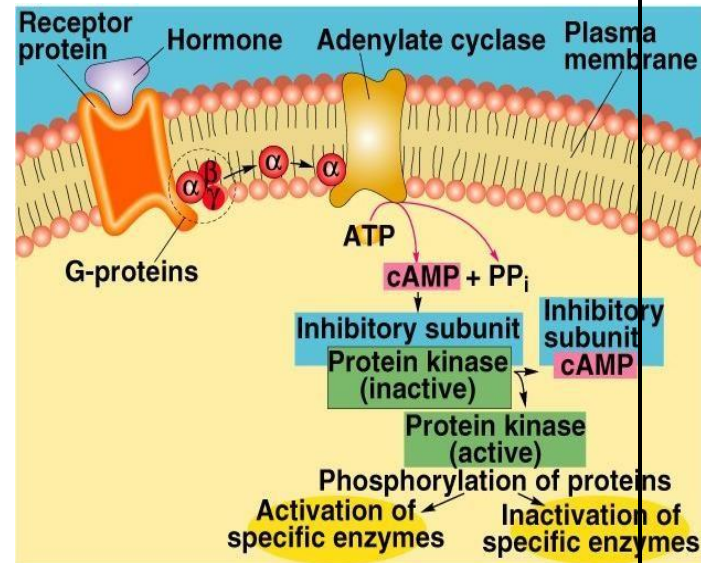
B. cGMP: cyclic guanine monophosphate.

1. produced from GTP by **guanylyl** cyclase.
2. target: activates cGMP-dependent kinases (protein kinase G) or other targets.
3. example on signaling pathway that produces cGMP as a 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger:

A- G-protein Coupled rhodopsin photoreceptor in rod cells of retina.

## Adenylate Cyclase-cAMP . (summary)

- Phosphorylates enzymes within the cell to produce hormone's effects.
- Modulates activity of enzymes present in the cell .
- Alters metabolism of the cell .
- cAMP inactivated by phosphodiesterase that hydrolyzes cAMP to inactive fragments.



## Several metabolic responses caused by a rise in intracellular cAMP in different tissues:

Tissue	Hormone Inducing Rise in cAMP	Metabolic Response
Adipose	Epinephrine; ACTH; glucagon	Increase in hydrolysis of triglyceride; decrease in amino acid uptake
Liver	Epinephrine; norepinephrine; glucagon	Increase in conversion of glycogen to glucose; inhibition of synthesis of glycogen; increase in amino acid uptake; increase in gluconeogenesis (synthesis of glucose from amino acids)
Ovarian follicle	FSH; LH	Increase in synthesis of estrogen, progesterone
Adrenal cortex	ACTH	Increase in synthesis of aldosterone, cortisol
Cardiac muscle cells	Epinephrine	Increase in contraction rate
Thyroid	TSH	Secretion of thyroxine
Bone cells	Parathyroid hormone	Increase in resorption of calcium from bone
Skeletal muscle	Epinephrine	Conversion of glycogen to glucose
Intestine	Epinephrine	Fluid secretion
Kidney	Vasopressin	Resorption of water
Blood platelets	Prostaglandin I	Inhibition of aggregation and secretion

-the hormones in the table cause rise in intracellular cAMP through cell surface Gprotein coupled receptors.

-Various metabolic responses depend on the tissue itself, different responses might include the same receptor and 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger, this is mainly due to the different cell types in different tissues.

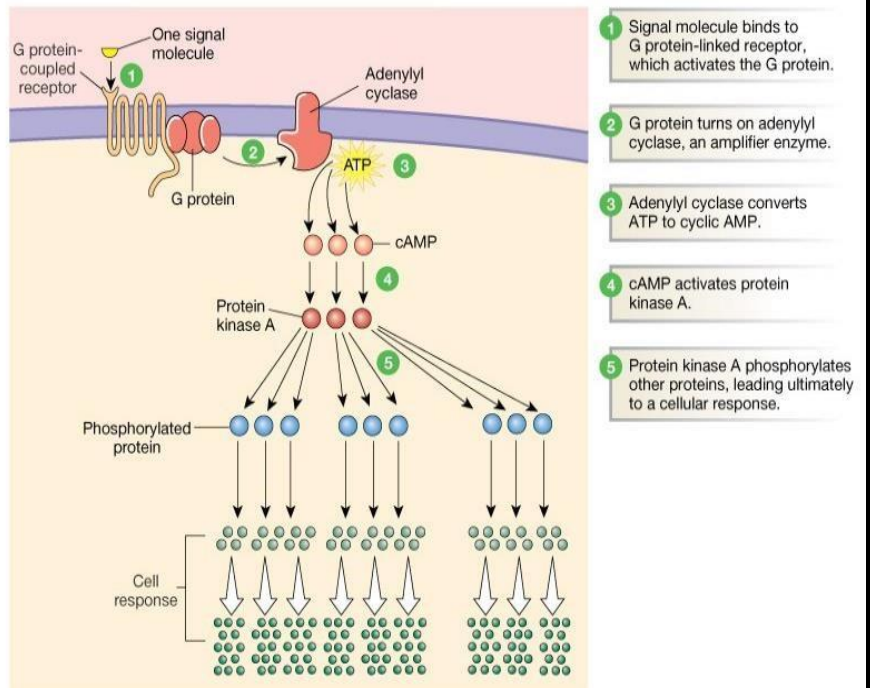
You can see that the same hormone for example epinephrine causes different effects in different tissues \*in cardiac muscle and in intestines \*

U don't need to memorize the function 😊 just understand the concept.

## G-Protein Coupled Receptors

this picture demonstrates the concept of signal amplification by cAMP, one signal molecule causes production of multiple cAMP, that activates multiple PKA, which causes phosphorylation of many target proteins

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## Third type of second messenger

IP3 and DAG:

General overview: Phosphatidylinositol 4,5-bisphosphate (PIP2) triggers a 2-armed signaling pathway.

alpha q subunit of G-protein activates phospholipase-C that converts a phospholipid that's present in the inner lipid monolayer of PM and known as PIP2.

a. PIP2 is a minor phospholipid in inner leaflet of the plasma membrane's bilayer that is produced by phosphorylation of phosphatidylinositol and is involved in signalling.

b. Ligand binding to certain receptors stimulates PIP2 hydrolysis by phospholipase-C (PLC).

c. This produces diacylglycerol (DAG) that's still connected to the plasma membrane and inositol 1,4,5-trisphosphate (IP3) that's free in the cytosol, both of which are 2nd messengers with different actions. PIP2 → IP3 + DAG

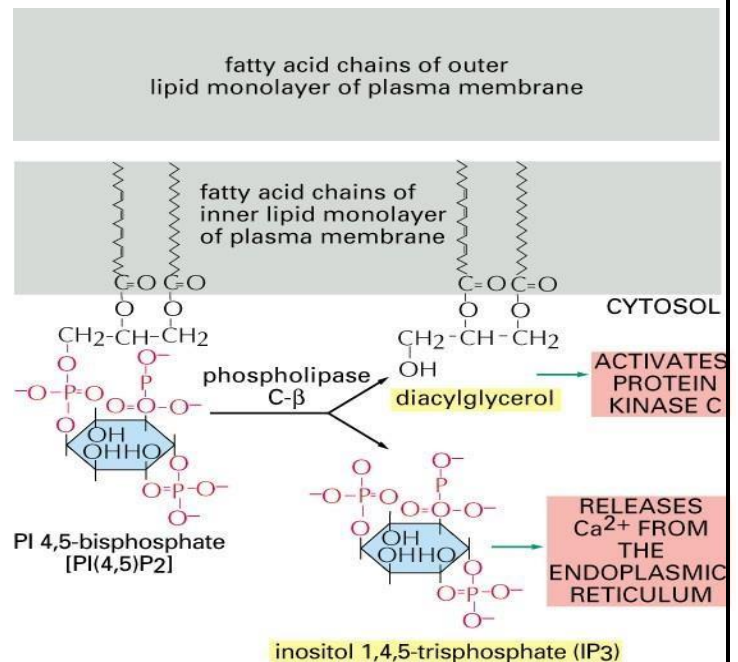
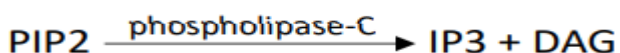


Figure 15-35. Molecular Biology of the Cell, 4th Edition.

d. PIP2 hydrolysis is activated by both GPRs and TKRs via different forms of PLC.



pay attention to the fact that different isoforms of phospholipase-C are activated by different stimuli: phospholipase-C beta (PLC-β) is stimulated by Gq proteins while phospholipase-C gamma (PLC-γ) has SH2 domains that allow binding to activated tyrosine kinase linked receptors.

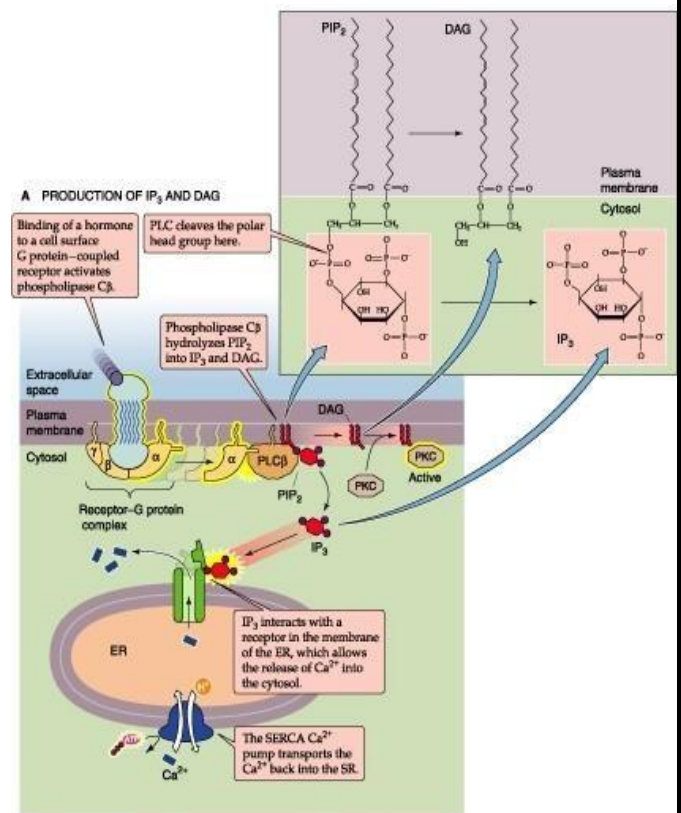
so, both (PLC-β) and (PLC-γ) are activated through different receptors but produce the same 2nd messenger by the end.

this schematic picture shows that PLC produces two types of second messengers: IP3 and DAG from PIP2.

Action of IP3: because its free in the cytosol, it will bind to a receptor on the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) membrane which results in opening calcium ion channels on ER membrane and release of calcium ions from their stores into the cytosol increasing intracellular calcium levels.

**USUALLY, intracellular  $Ca^{+2}$  levels are kept very low.**

**but when it comes to IP3 signaling calcium levels are increased transiently, in which calcium has effects such as activating a protein kinase C PKC along with DAG.**



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DAG + calcium ions activate PKC

There's another type of channel that's called SERCA: turns off the calcium signal, pumps the calcium ions back to their stores in the ER to bring calcium levels back to their normal state. ( blue coloured channel in the picture above)

### Summary of DAG and IP3 actions:

- **DAG:** Remains associated with the PM
- Stimulates the  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ -dependent protein kinase C signaling pathway, which activates other targets including the MAP kinase cascade (see picture below)
- **IP3:** Small polar molecule released into cytosol.
- Stimulates  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  release from intracellular stores. (ER)
- Elevated  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  alters activities of target proteins including kinases & phosphatases.

### PLC- signaling pathway summary.

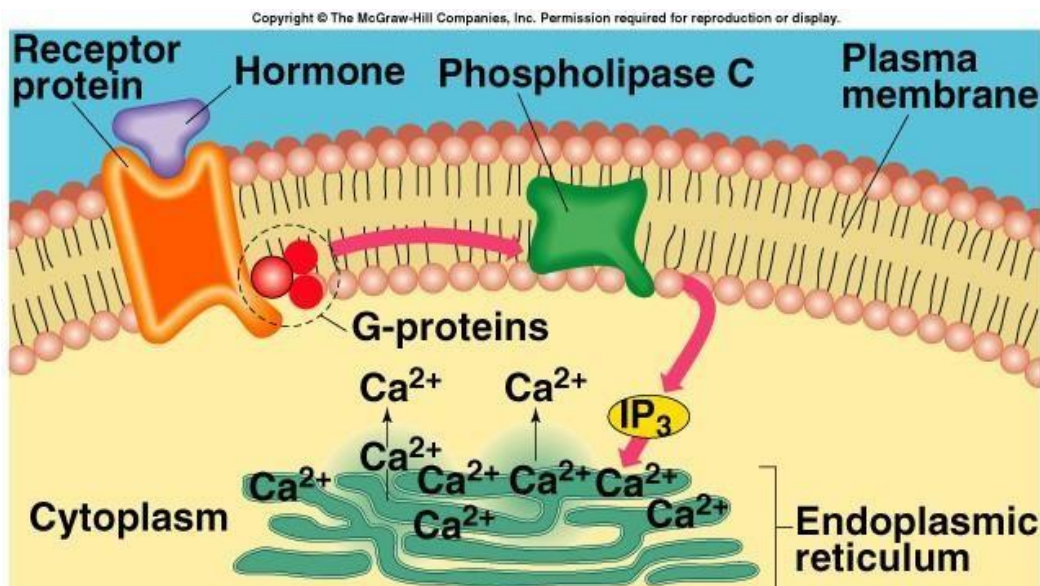
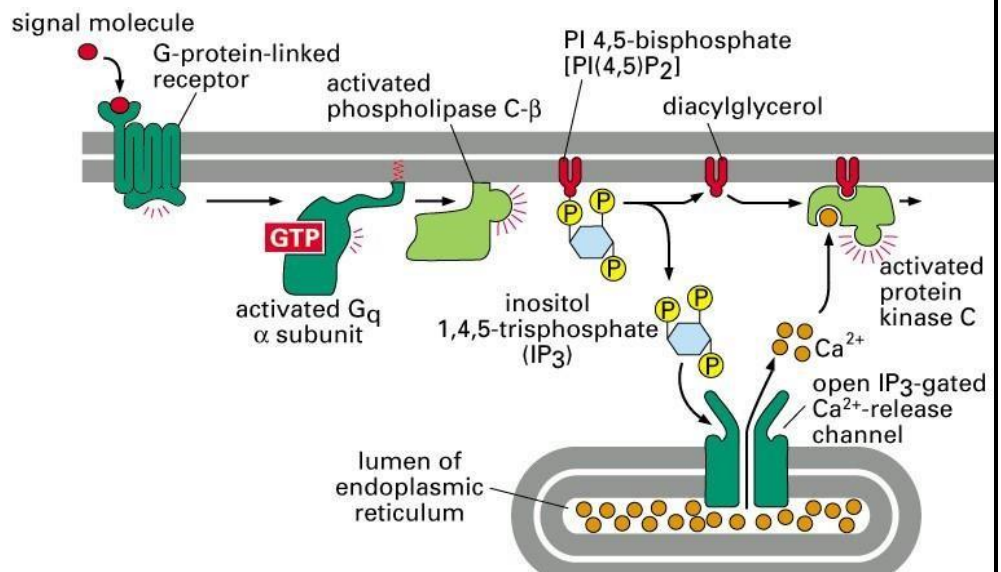
this schematic shows PLC-  $\beta$  when it's activated by Gprotein coupled to Gq alpha subunit which eventually results in IP3 and DAG production.

IP3 releases  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  ions.

$\text{Ca}^{+2}$  and DAG activates PKC.

PKC (protein kinase C)

phosphorylates many substrates that can activate kinase pathway and gene regulation.



## Fourth type of second messenger:

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$  also acts as a second messenger:

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$  concentration is kept low ( $10^{-7}$  M) and rises locally due to transient signaling via IP<sub>3</sub>.

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$  acts as a second messenger on one of its target proteins: calmodulin.

so, the effects of intracellular  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  are mediated by the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  binding protein calmodulin.

the conformation of calmodulin changes when calcium binds to it, forming  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ /calmodulin complex.

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$ /calmodulin complex binds to other target proteins, regulate their activity, and fully activate them.

Examples on  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ /calmodulin target protein: protein kinases ( $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  calmodulin-dependent kinases; CaM-kinases), adenylyl cyclases, and phosphodiesterases, causing change in conformation and activation of these proteins.

in this picture:  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ /calmodulin complex binds to an enzyme (protein phosphatase) and fully activates it by facilitating its auto phosphorylation process.

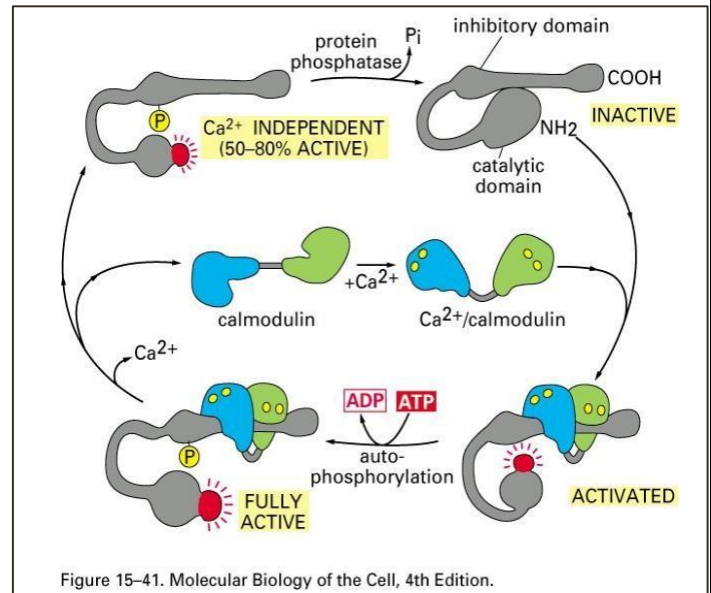
The doctor said understand the main role.

$\text{Ca}^{2+}$  binds to calmodulin which activates other protein kinases that depend on  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ /calmodulin

## $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ - Calmodulin :

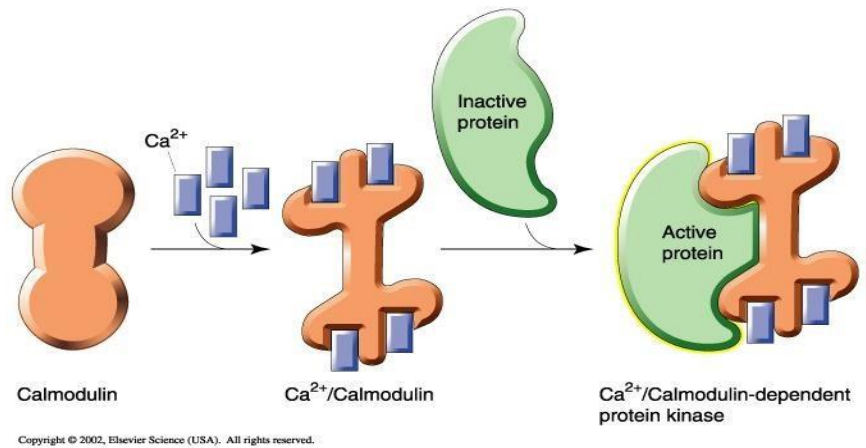
(summary of calcium-calmodulin complex)

- $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  diffuses into the cytoplasm.
- $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  binds to calmodulin.
- Calmodulin activates specific protein kinase enzymes.
- Alters the metabolism of the cell, producing the hormone's effects.



The mechanism of enzyme activation by calcium calmodulin

Ca<sup>2+</sup> /calmodulin complex activates target proteins by changing their conformational structure which results in activity changes.



## Epinephrine Can Act Through Two 2<sup>nd</sup> Messenger Systems

**the same hormone can active two different types of receptors which results in production of two different types of second messengers in the same cell.** Example:

(Epinephrine effect on a liver cell)

epinephrine binding to beta-adrenergic receptors, which are G-protein coupled receptors, results in increase of cAMP 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger, and activation of protein kinase A consequently.

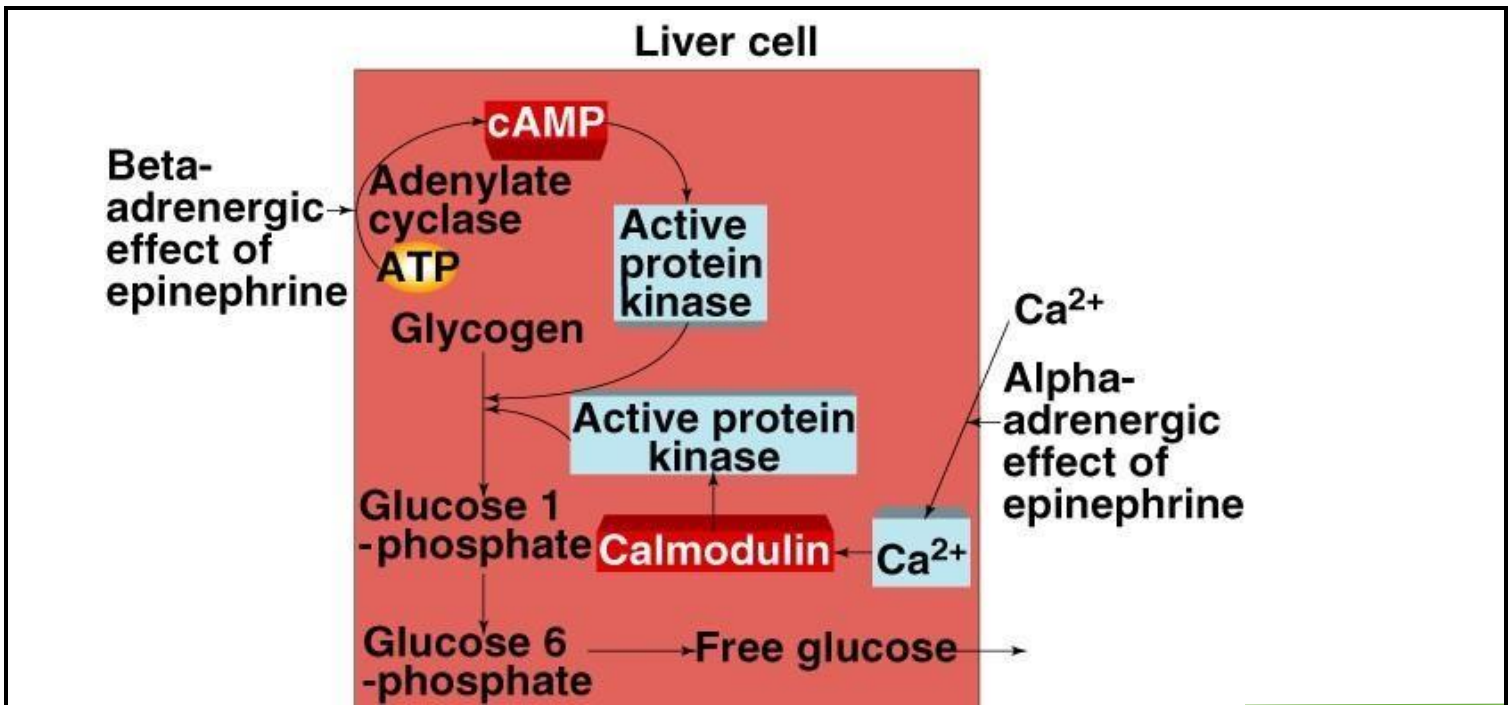
protein kinase A increase glycogen metabolism and production of glucose in the liver.

The other pathway epinephrine can cause by binding to  $\alpha_1$  (Alpha)-adrenergic receptor that is associated with  $G_{\alpha q}$  subunit that activates phospholipase C and produces IP3 and DAG.

This results in calcium production as a 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger, Ca<sup>2+</sup> binds to calmodulin, as we mentioned before Ca<sup>2+</sup> /calmodulin activates protein kinases which also increases the glycogen metabolism.

So two second messengers (cAMP and Ca<sup>2+</sup>) mediated the function of the liver cell.

Look at the picture bellow.



### Guanylate cyclase (GC) receptors

very important in: ANP and Nitric oxide signalling.

Examples: 1- Membrane receptor-ANP\*. 2- Soluble receptor-NO\*, CO \*Not membrane bound\*

### NO signaling

NO synthesis:

in blood vessels there are endothelial cells and smooth muscle cells.

in endothelial cells there are acetylcholine G-protein coupled receptors that binds with acetyl choline. (associated with  $G_{\alpha o}$  subunit)

the binding induces activation of PLC, PLC  $\rightarrow$  IP<sub>3</sub>  $\rightarrow$  Ca<sup>2+</sup> /calmodulin complex activates an enzyme called **nitric oxide synthase** that synthesizes NO from arginine amino acid.

Arginine  $\xrightarrow{\text{NO synthase}}$  NO + citrulline

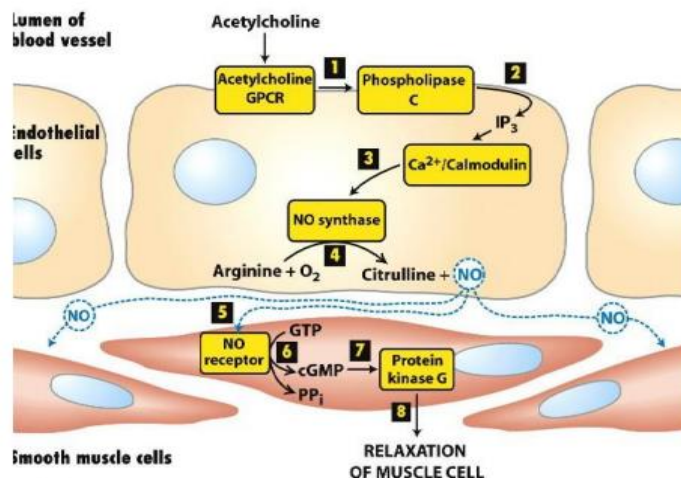
nitric oxide is a gas that can freely diffuse across the PM and goes to adjacent smooth muscle cells as well. once NO enter the smooth muscle cells it will bind to a receptor called NO receptor, which is a soluble receptor meaning its inside the cell's cytosol.

this receptor contains guanylyl cyclase activity, which converts GTP into cGMP.

cGMP is a 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger than bind to protein kinase G, this will induce relaxation of the muscle cell which results in vasodilation of vessels, which is very important in blood flow efficiency.

NO is an important anti-platelet and vasodilator.

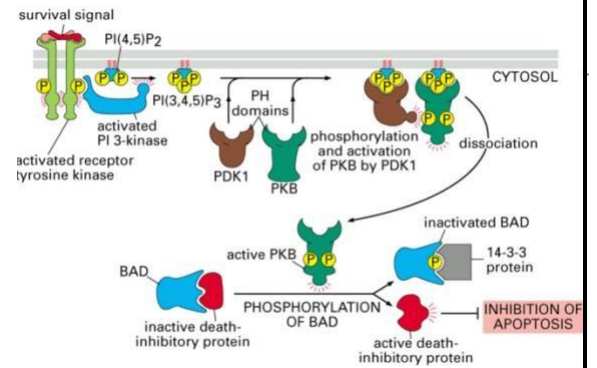
So NO is a relaxing factor



## LAST SECOND MESSENGER:

PIP3 (like IP3 but produced from PIP2 to PIP3 by PI3 kinase)

\*details of its signalling pathway are not required, just know that it is a 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger and that it contributes in the survival of the cell by inhibition of apoptosis by PDK and PKB.



## Signalling cascades(DIVERSION & CONVERSION)

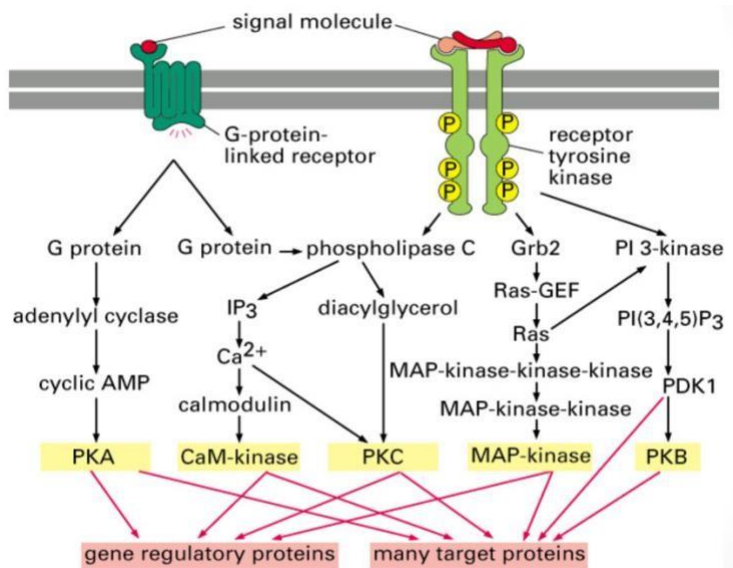
\*the same enzyme could be activated by different types of receptors

Ex: phospholipase C can be activated by G- protein coupled receptor and tyrosine kinase receptors.

\*the same receptor can affect different pathways that are activated by another receptor

Ex: tyrosine kinase can affect G-protein coupled receptor's pathways.

Also, integration can occur, like calcium, when activates PKC that is activated from another signalling pathway.



## INTRACELLULAR RECEPTORS: 1- STEROID RECEPTORS. 2- THYROID RECEPTORS.

#Their receptors can be:1- nuclear. 2-cytosolic.

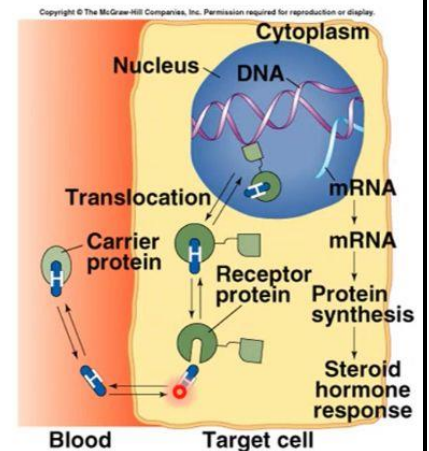
-lipophilic steroid and thyroid hormones are attached to plasma carrier proteins

-hormones dissociate from carrier proteins to pass through lipid component of the target plasma membrane

-receptors for the lipophilic hormones are known as nuclear hormone receptors.

#(For lipophilic hormones) they can go directly to the nucleus or go to the cytoplasm then to the nucleus.

This is a general scheme to describe the steroid hormone that is translocated by a carrier protein in plasma of blood (by dissociation), and binds to a receptor in the cell, that enters the nucleus and binds to DNA and change the gene expression.



### 1. Mechanism of steroid hormones:

- For steroid hormones like: sex hormones, testosterone, cortisol, etc.

Steroid receptors are located in cytoplasm and in the nucleus.

- Function within cell to activate genetic transcription.
- Messenger RNA directs synthesis of specific enzyme proteins that change metabolism.
- The nuclear receptor has 2 main regions,
  - 1-A ligand (hormone)-binding protein AND
  - 2- DNA-binding protein.
- Receptor must be activated by binding to hormone **before** binding to specific region of DNA called HRE (hormone responsive element) .
- HRE is located adjacent to gene that will be transcribed.

## Summary of the mechanism of steroid hormones:

### hormones:

• Cytoplasmic receptor binds to steroid hormone.

• Translocates to nucleus.

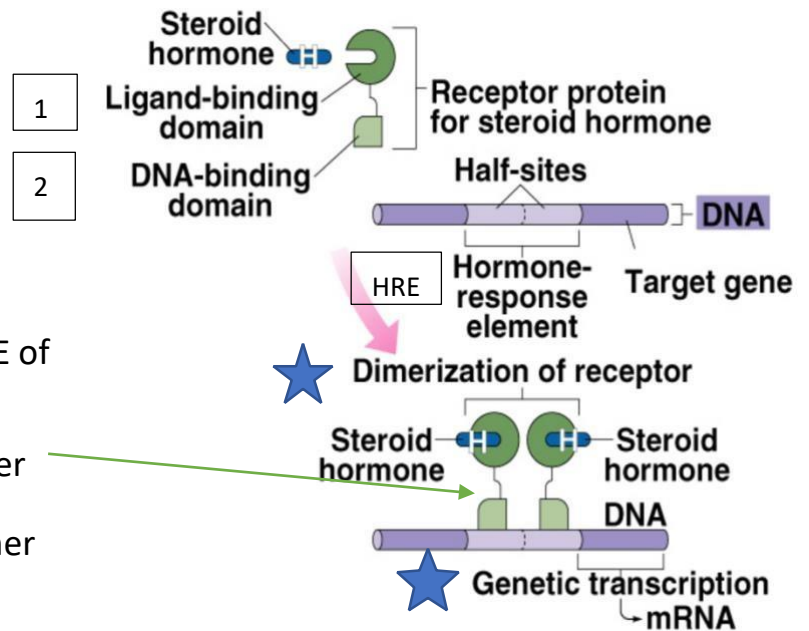
• DNA-binding domain binds to specific HRE of the DNA.

• Dimerization occurs.

• Process of 2 receptor units coming together at the 2 half-sites.

• Stimulates transcription of particular genes.

Note it is homodimer



## The mechanism of thyroid hormones:

• thyroid hormones like T3 and T4 (most of thyroid hormones that can be found in the blood is T4)

• T4 passes into cytoplasm and is converted to T3 by iodine.

Receptor proteins located in nucleus.

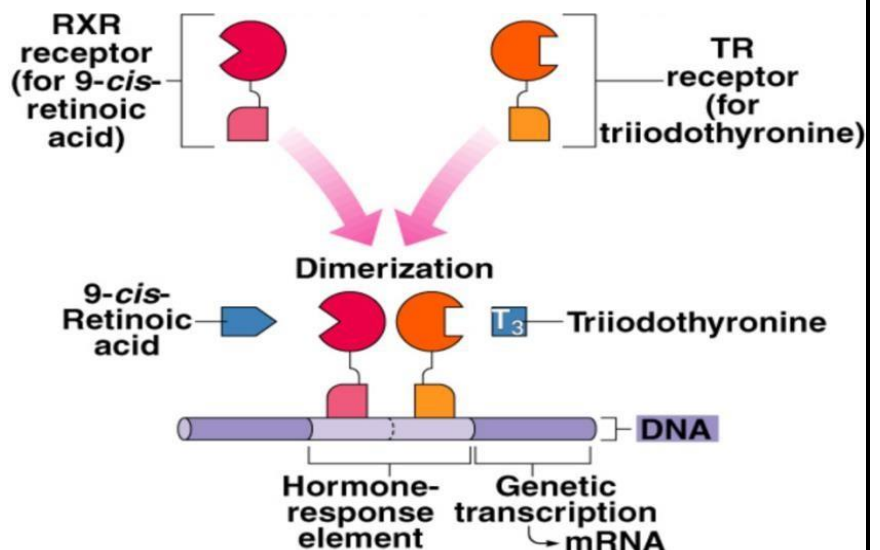
• T3 (we can call it "the active form") binds to ligand-binding domain on its specific receptor; TR receptor (for triiodothyronine)

• Other (ligand) half-site is vitamin A derivative (9-cis-retinoic) acid on RXR receptor. TR receptor dimerises with RXR receptor to form a **heterodimer**.

• DNA-binding domain can then bind to the half-site of the HRE (hormone response element) adjacent to the to be transcribed gene.

• Two partners can bind to the DNA to activate HRE.

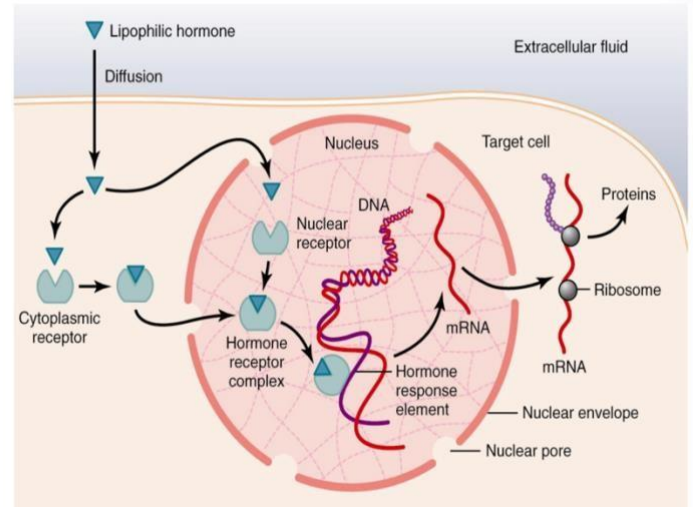
Stimulate gene transcription.





## Steroid & Thyroid Hormones - Mechanism of Action

This pic represents the general pathway of lipophilic hormones (steroid and thyroid in general): Any lipophilic hormone, either binds directly to the nuclear receptor or goes to a cytosolic receptor then translocates to the nucleus.

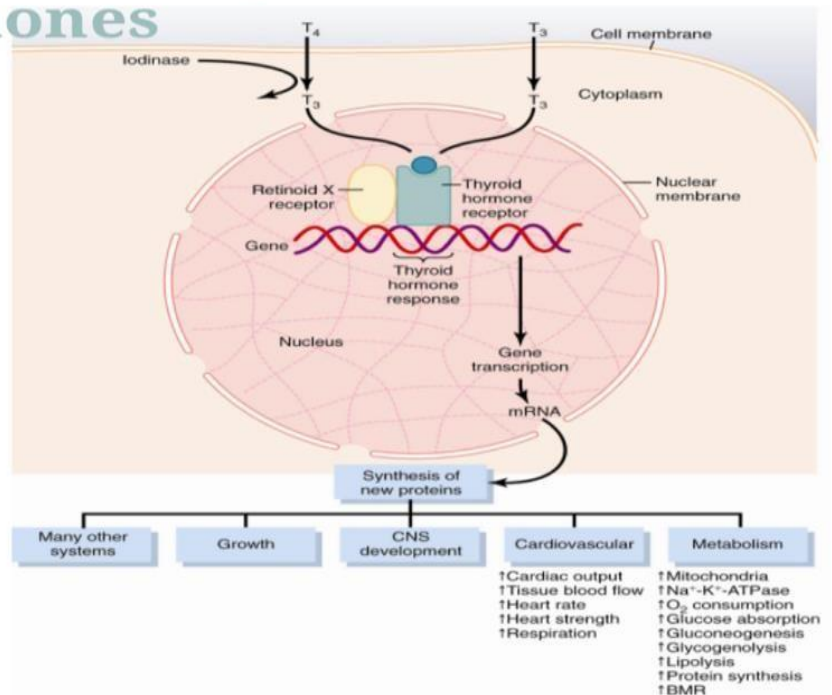


## Actions of Thyroid Hormones

The actions of thyroid hormones are very wide. Involved in

- 1-growth.
- 2-CNS (central nervous system).
- 3-cardiovascular.
- 4-metabolism

And many other systems  
-the most important is CNS especially during infancy.



What determines the activity of a hormone?  
 (It's binding) ,or (what determines the concentration of the free hormone)

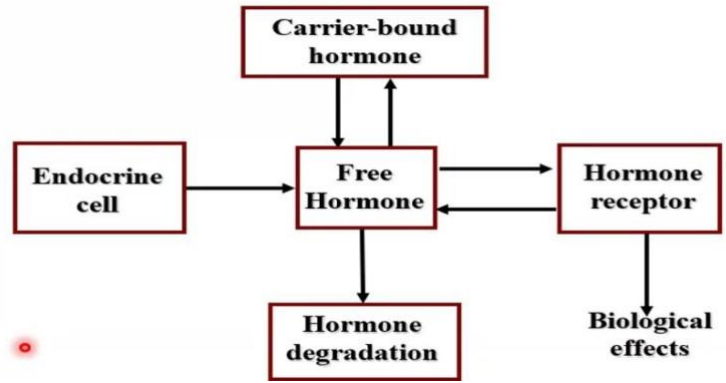
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1.the concentration of the hormone that is available for binding. (conc. Of free hormone level) and that's determined by secretion of the endocrine system.

2.the conc. Of carrier-bound hormone.

3.the conc. Of hormones bound to the receptor.

4.the level of hormone degradation (clearance) in the body; to go out from it.



**Clearance is the rate of disappearance from plasma/ conc. In plasma.**

How much the hormone is bound to the transport protein in the plasma

The half-life of clearance of hormone

How much ml/min the plasma is cleared from the hormone (rate)

Hormone	Protein binding (%)	Plasma half-life	Metabolic clearance (ml/minute)
<b>Thyroid</b>			
Thyroxine	99.97	6 days	0.7
Triiodothyronine	99.7	1 day	18
<b>Steroids</b>			
Cortisol	94	100 min	140
Testosterone	89	85 min	860
Aldosterone	15	25 min	1100
<b>Proteins</b>			
Thyrotropin	little	50 min	50
Insulin	little	8 min	800
Antidiuretic hormone	little	8 min	600

Dr.ebaa said know the hormones with the longest and shortest half-lives of each group  
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The higher protein binding -> more hormones are "protected" from clearance-> much time is needed

Increasing in protein binding means increasing protection so increased plasma half-life and so on little amount of that hormone is cleared per ml of plasma

These transport protein in the plasma can be specific/non specific to the hormone

## Circulating Transport Proteins

Transport Protein	Principle Hormone Transported
<b>Specific</b>	
Corticosteroid binding globulin (CBG, transcortin)	Cortisol, aldosterone
Thyroxine binding globulin (TBG)	Thyroxine, triiodothyronine
Sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG)	Testosterone, estrogen
<b>Nonspecific</b>	
Albumin	Most steroids, thyroxine, triiodothyronine
Transthyretin (prealbumin)	Thyroxine, some steroids

The last signalling pathway to be talked about 😊( picture in page bellow)

FSH and LH secretion regulation by PKC (just follow the steps to understand it)

# FSH and LH are female sex hormones that are secreted by anterior pituitary gland.

1.hypothalamus secretes GnRH (gonadotropin releasing hormone) reaching the anterior pituitary gland where its receptors are located (GnRH- receptor)

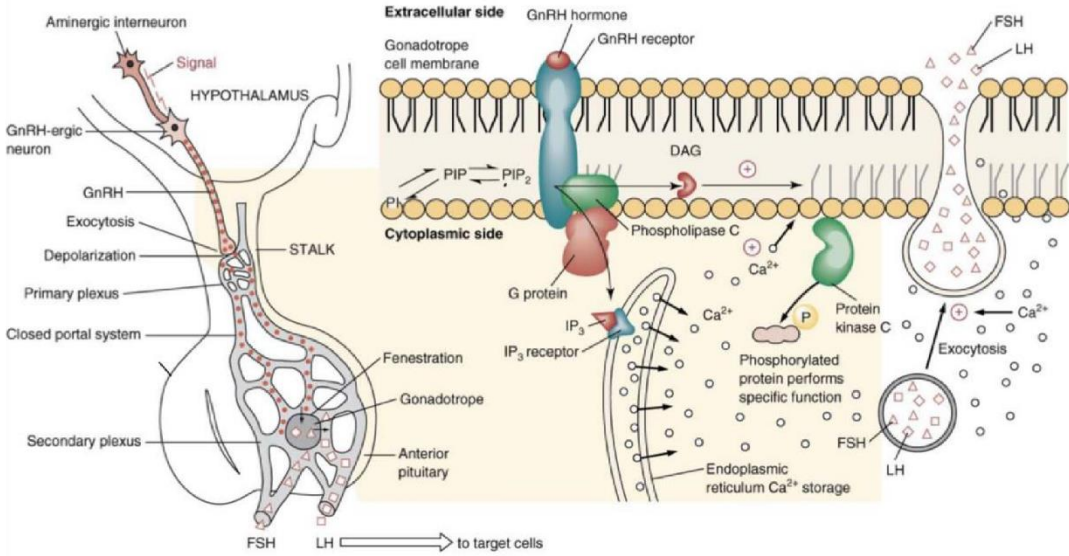
2.GnRH-receptors are G-protein coupled receptor (with G<sub>aq</sub> subunit) that activate the phospholipase C to produce DAG and IP<sub>3</sub> so increases the Ca<sup>++</sup> in the cytosol (as we've learned)

3. So now DAG and Ca<sup>++</sup> (2nd messenger) activate protein kinase C to perform specific functions.

4.also the Ca<sup>++</sup> activates the exocytosis of the vesicles containing FSH &LH to go to the future ovaries.

### \*Third messengers:

Third messengers are the molecules which transmit message from outside to inside of nucleus or from inside to outside of nucleus, also called DNA binding protein.( carrying a signal enter the nucleus)



Regulation of secretion of LH and FSH by protein kinase C.

Summary: Hypothalamus

GnRH

Anterior Pituitary gland (GnRH-receptor)

GnRH → GPCR → Gαq

activate PLC

DAG IP3

↑Ca<sup>++</sup>

activate PKC

Exocytosis

LH

FSH

Signaling molecule  
(hormones)

Receptor of target cell

Intracellular molecule  
(second messengers)

biological effect

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تسكن قلبي رغبة ما أراها تتحقق له فيتخلي عنها،

ولا هو يتخلي عنها إذ لا تتحقق له.

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