

CELL MEMBRANE FUNCTION

MEMBRANE TRANSPORT

The cell membrane consists of a lipid bilayer is semipermeable, it regulates the transport of materials entering and exiting the cell

Definitions

1, Transport

In general, the term transport is the movement (of something) from one place to another.

In biology, transport is the act or the means by which molecules, ions, or substrates are moved across a biological membrane, such as the plasma membrane.

2, Selective permeability

The double layer of lipids is

Permeable to:

*Very small molecules (H₂O, CO₂, O₂)

*Fat-soluble molecules (hydrophobic, non-polar)

Raincoat to: *Big molecules and most polar molecules *Ion (K⁺, Cl⁻, Na⁺)

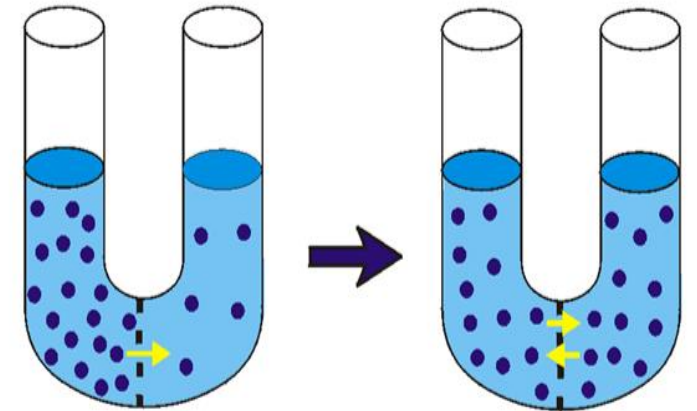
3, Concentration gradient

Gradient = difference

The concentration gradient between two media is the difference in concentration between the two media.

A diffuse substance follows its **concentration gradient:**

from the **most** concentrated area to the **least** concentrated area.



Types of transport

The passage of substances through the membrane can take place:

Exchanges without deformation of the plasma membrane

These are small molecule transports, without the intervention of the cytoskeleton. They are of two types, **passive transportation** and **active transportation**.

1, Passive transport (without energy expenditure)

*Passage of a substance through a membrane **in the direction of the concentration gradient** from the **most** concentrated area to the **least** concentrated area. *Doesn't require energy

It exists three types
facilitated diffusion

Diffusion

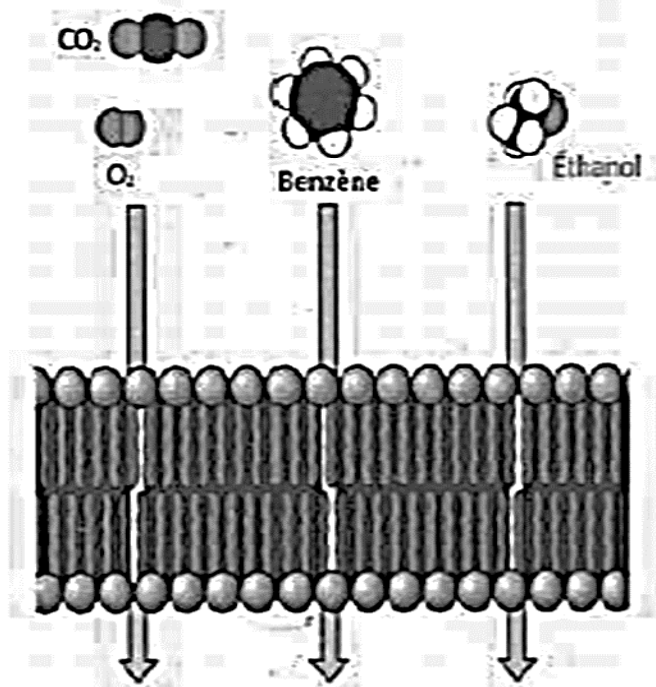
Osmosis

1, Diffusion

- Moving particles from an area of **high concentration** to an area of **lower concentration**

PASSIVE TRANSPORT BY DIFFUSION

OUTSIDE OF CELL: RICH IN O₂ or CO₂ or BENZENE or any ALCOHOL



HIGH CONCENTRATION IN EXTRACELLULAR ENVIRONMENT

MOLECULES MOVE FROM HIGH CONCENTRATION TO LOW CONCENTRATION UNTIL DIFFUSION EQUILIBRIUM (CONCENTRATION WAS EQUAL = ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PLASMA MEMBRAN

LOW CONCENTRATION IN CYTOSOL

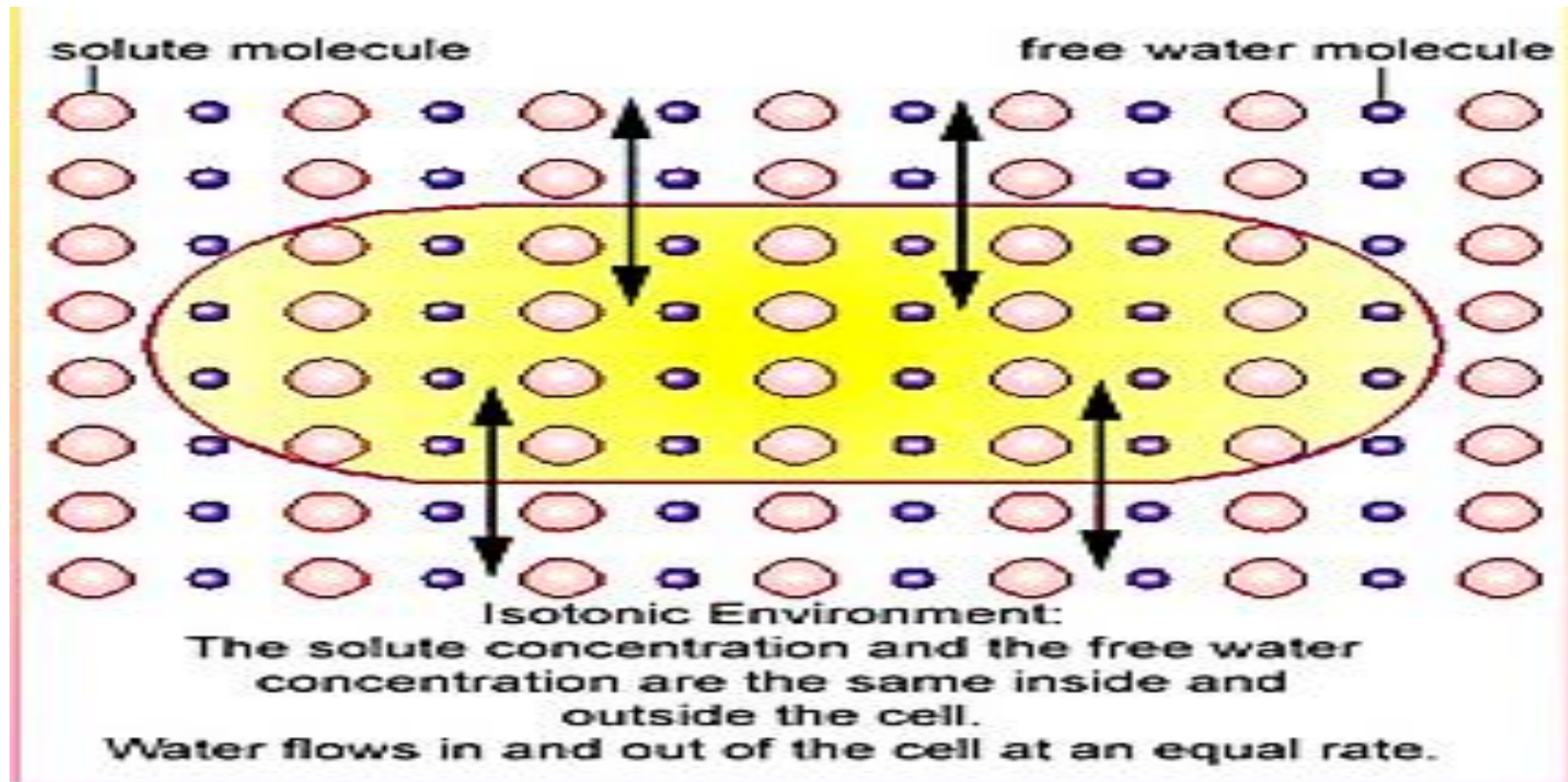
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2, Osmose

- Diffusion of **water** through a **semi-permeable membrane** from an area of **high water concentration** (**low solute concentration**) to an area of **low water concentration** (**high solute concentration**) for this type of transport we distinguish three cases

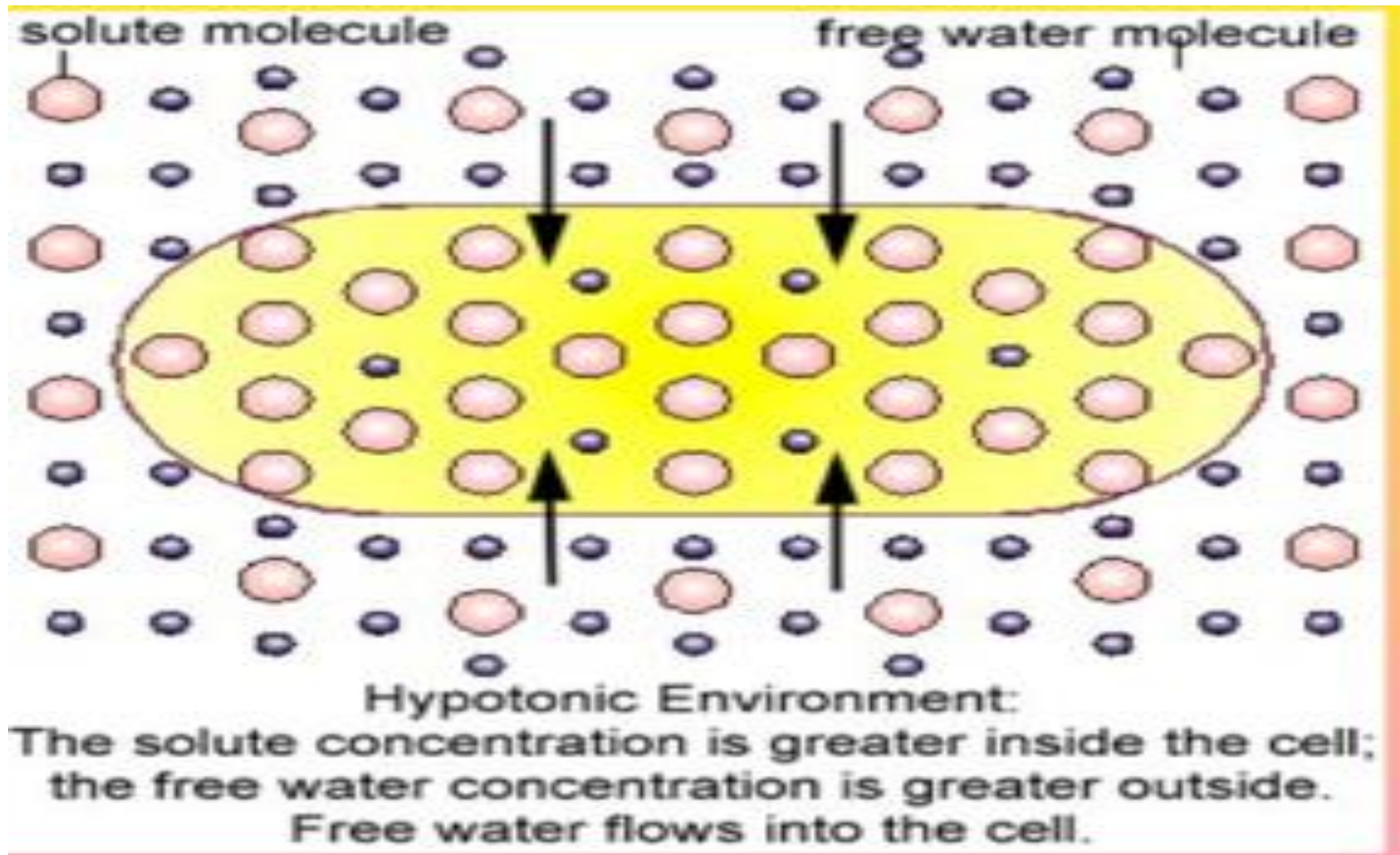
A, Isotonic solution

- Outside solute concentration = inside solute concentration



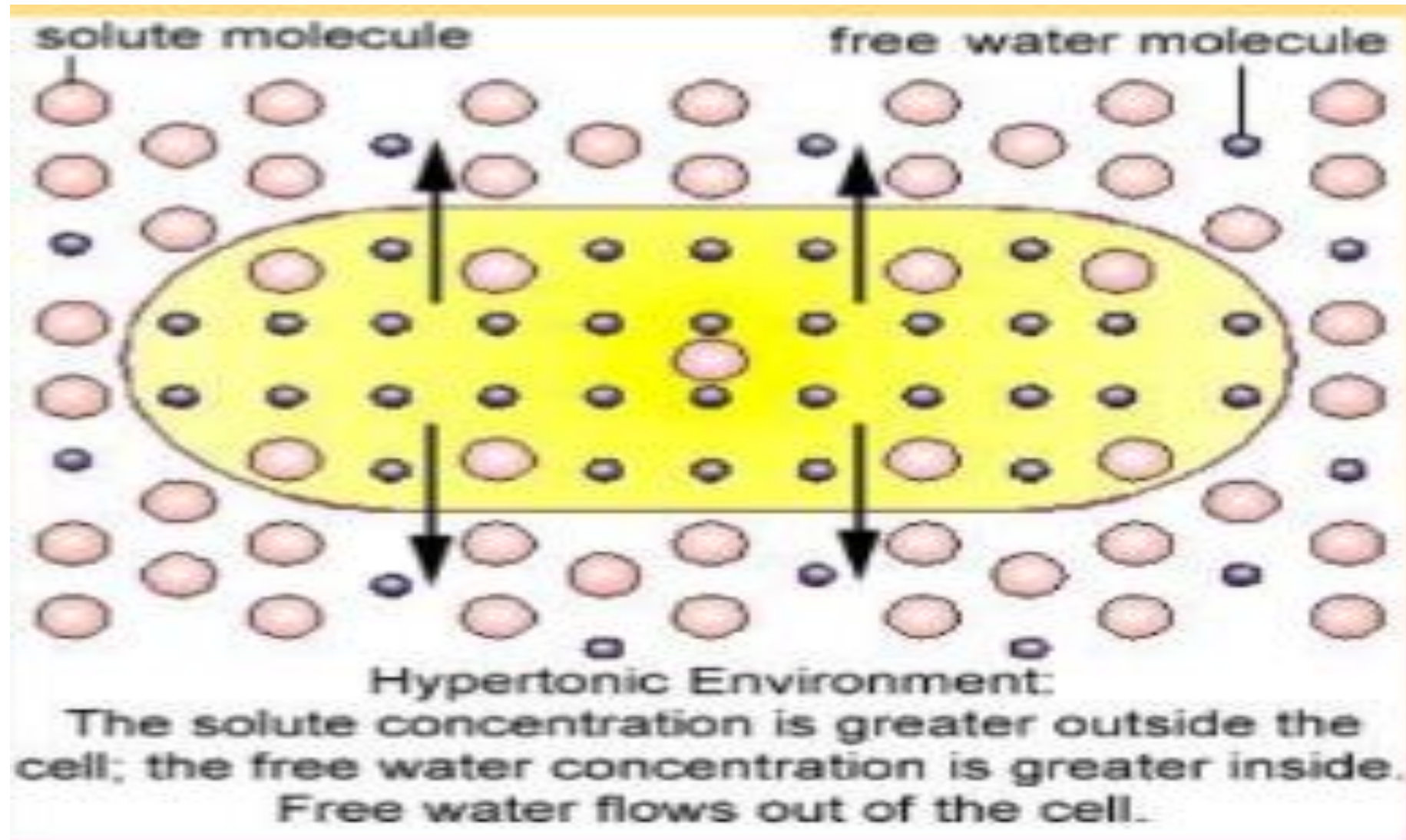
B, Solution hypotonique

- Outdoor solute concentration $<$ indoor solute concentration

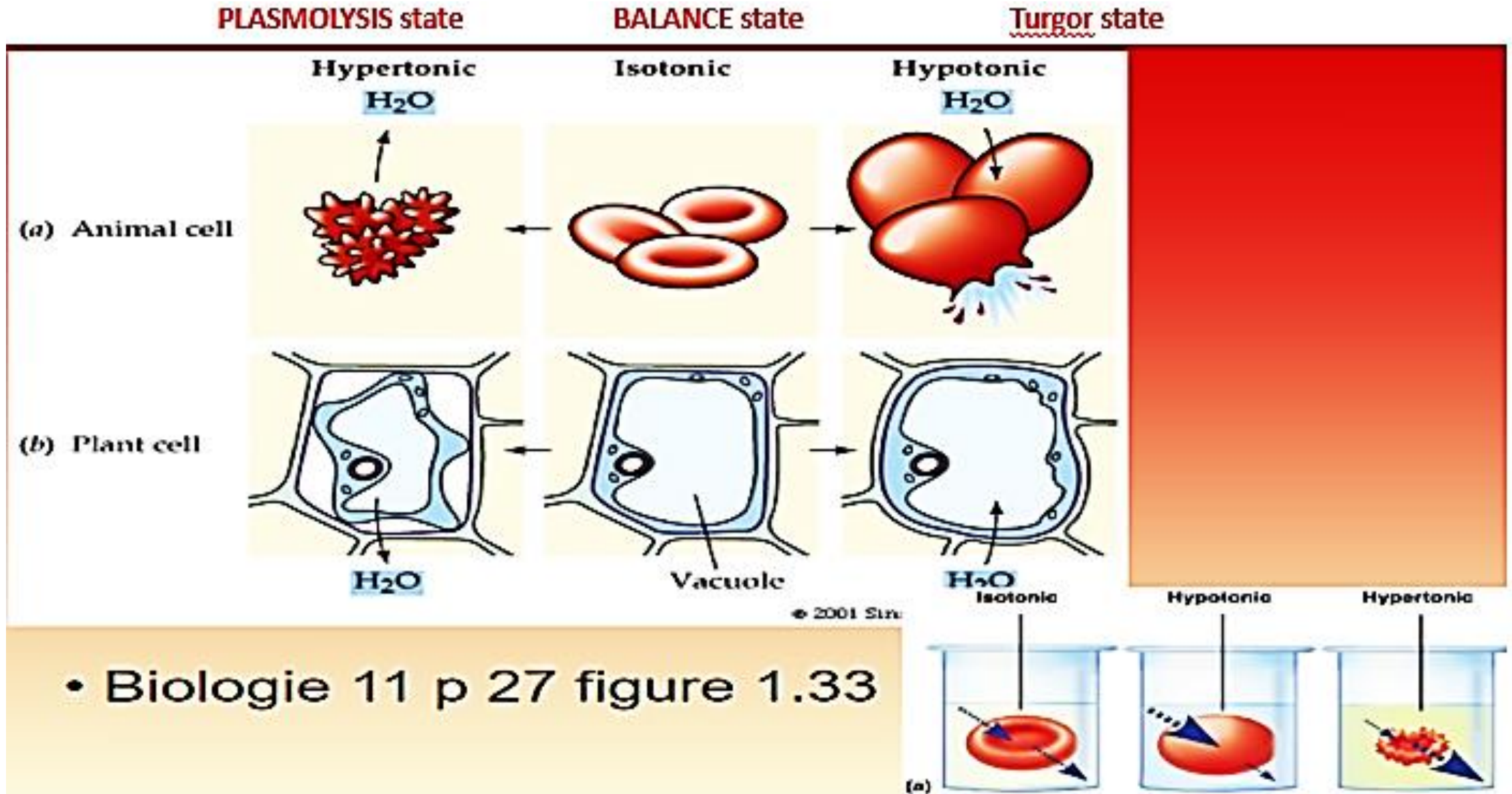


3, Solution hypertonique

- Concentration of solute outside > Concentration of solute inside



We see these cases in the animal cell and also in the plant cell



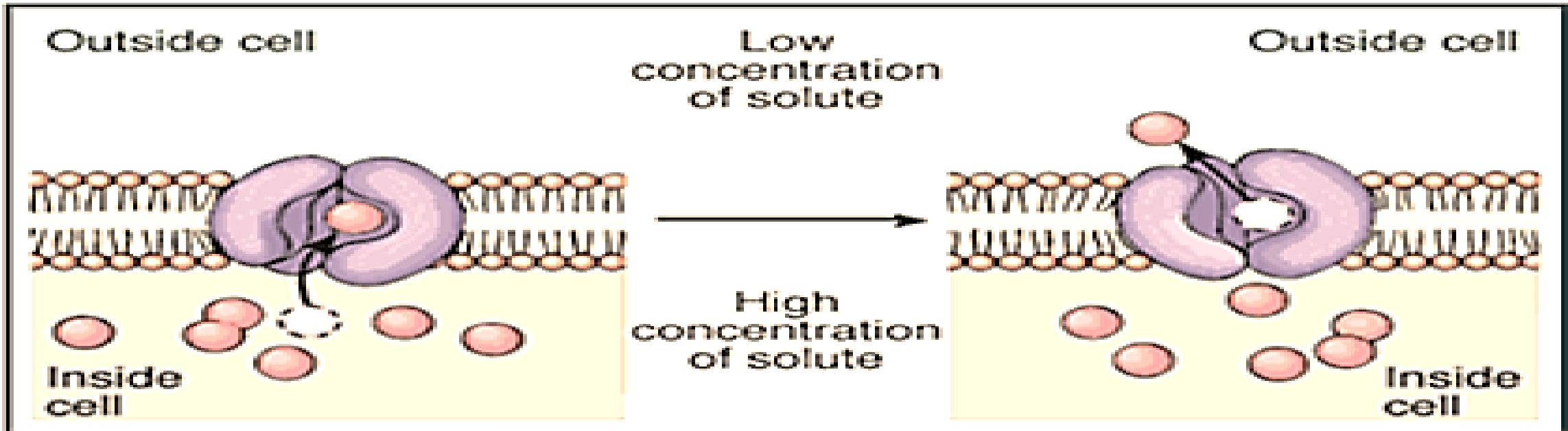
3, facilitated diffusion

Diffusion occurs via a membrane protein.

- For big molecules
- For non-fat-soluble molecules
- For Transport protein that recognizes a particular molecule

NOTICED / Does not require energy expenditure / Is done according to the concentration gradient

Facilitated diffusion

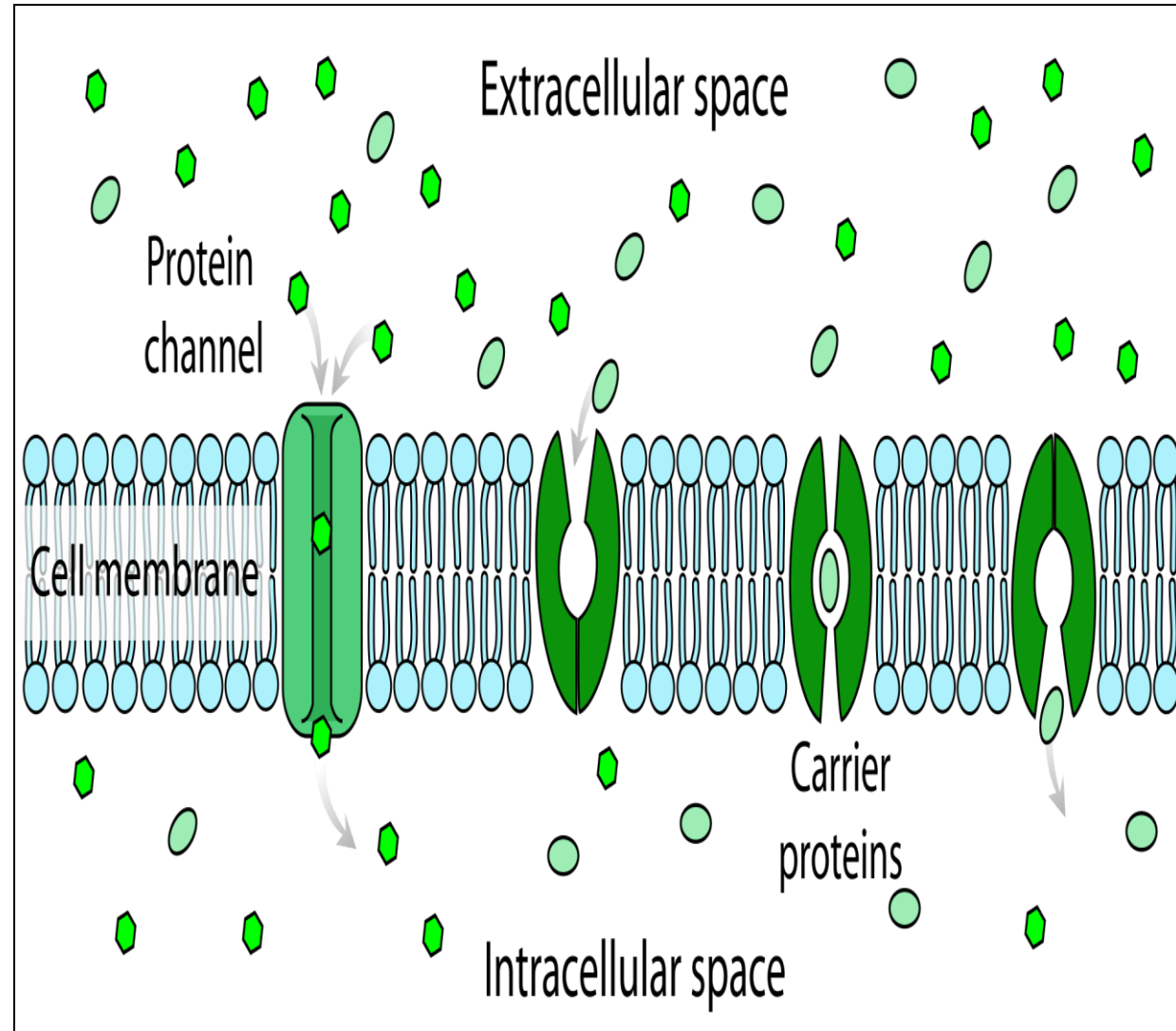


- Proteins in the membrane allow the passage of particles that cannot pass through the lipids.

- By forming **channels** through the membrane

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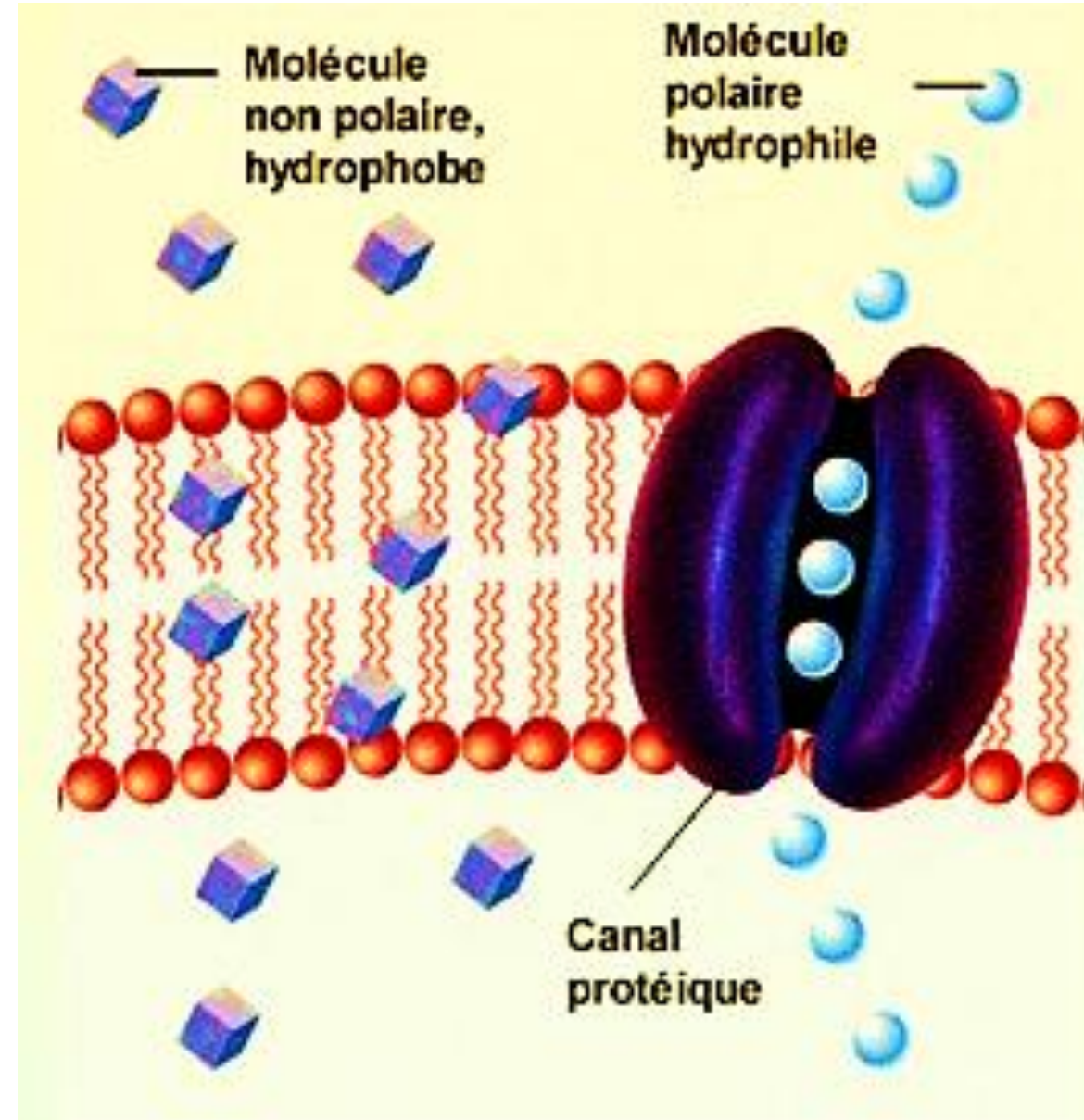
- By **associating** with the molecules to be transported and moving them through the membrane



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These channels are usually specific: only one specific substance can pass through them and no other.

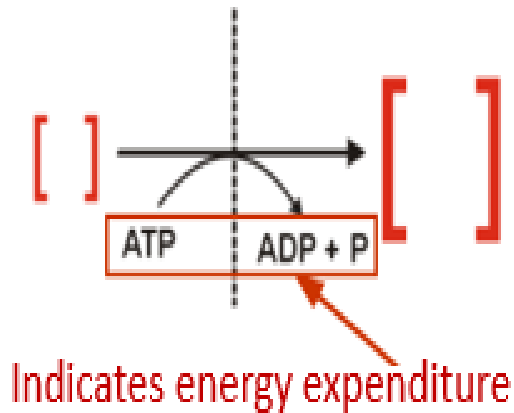
So, it's not just any substance that can cross the membrane = **selective permeability**.



2, Active Transport

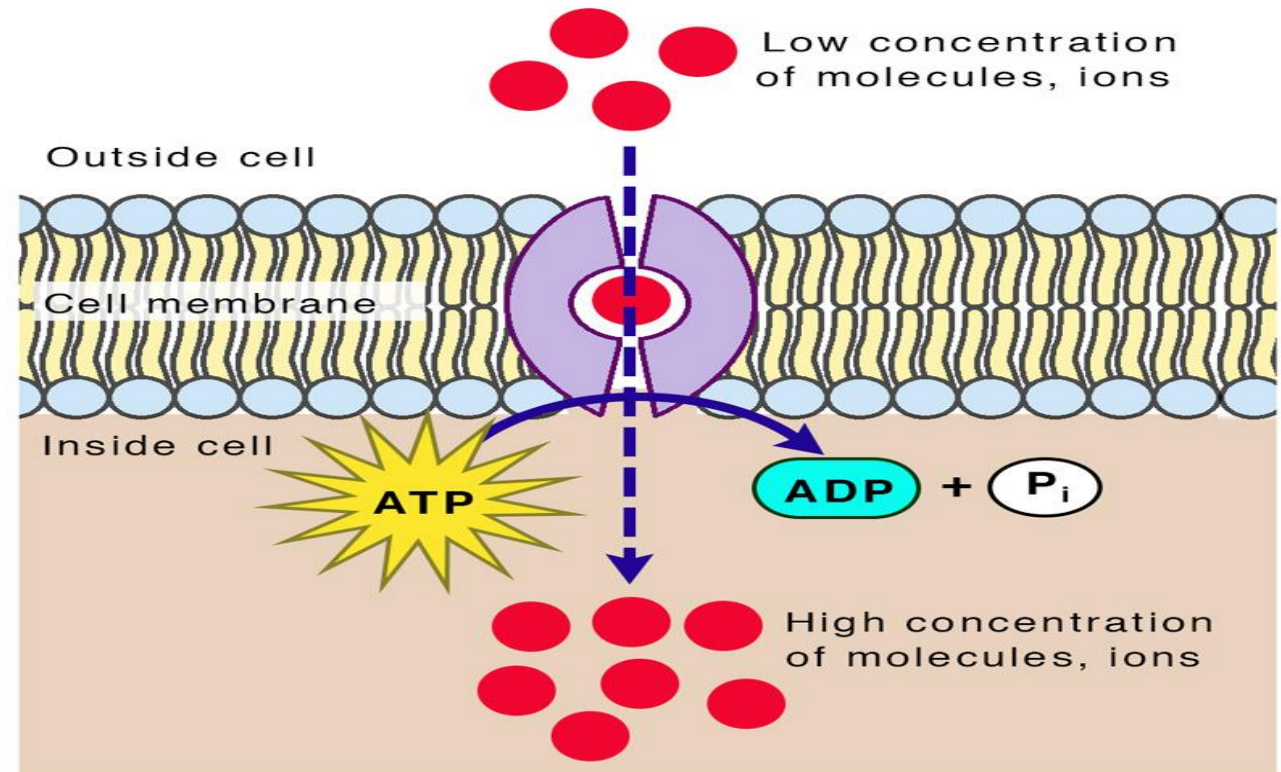
2,1, Primary active Transport : called direct active transport

- *It consumes energy obtained by the hydrolysis of ATP
- *And is done AGAINST the concentration gradient
- * It involves enzymes called transmembrane ATPase's or pumps



Active Transport

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Example of Primary active Transportation

Na-K pump

The sodium-potassium pump uses [active transport](#) to move molecules from a high concentration to a low concentration.

04.10 The Sodium-Potassium Pump

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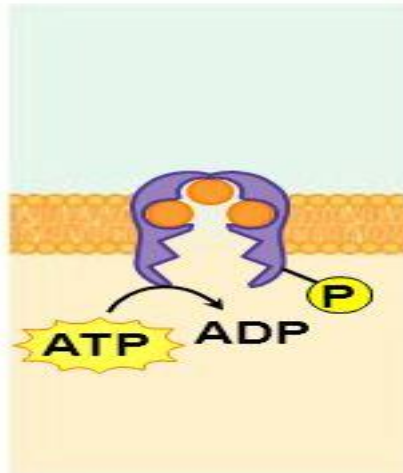
Extracellular fluid with high concentration of Na^+



Cytoplasm with high concentration of K^+

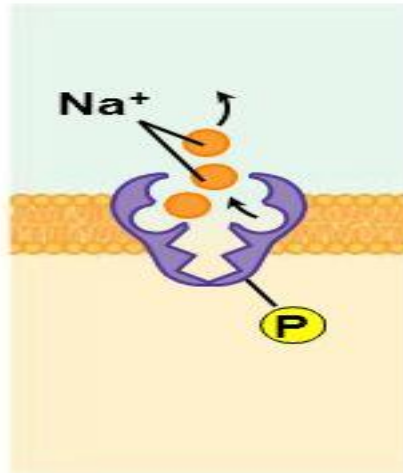
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Three Na^+ bind to the cytoplasmic side of the protein.



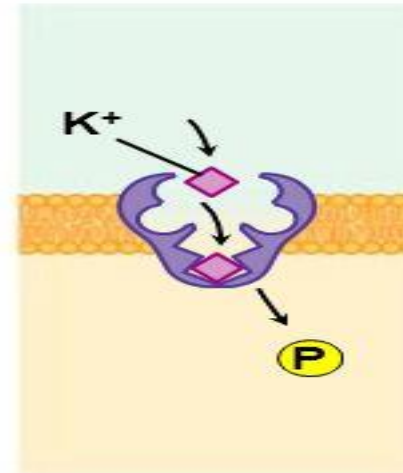
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Phosphate is transferred from ATP to the protein.



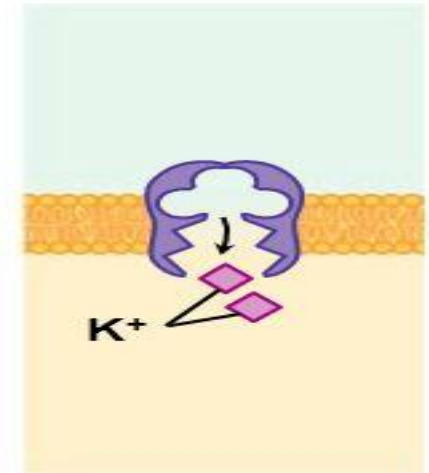
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Phosphorylation changes the shape of the protein, moving Na^+ across the membrane.



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K^+ binds to the protein, causing phosphate release.



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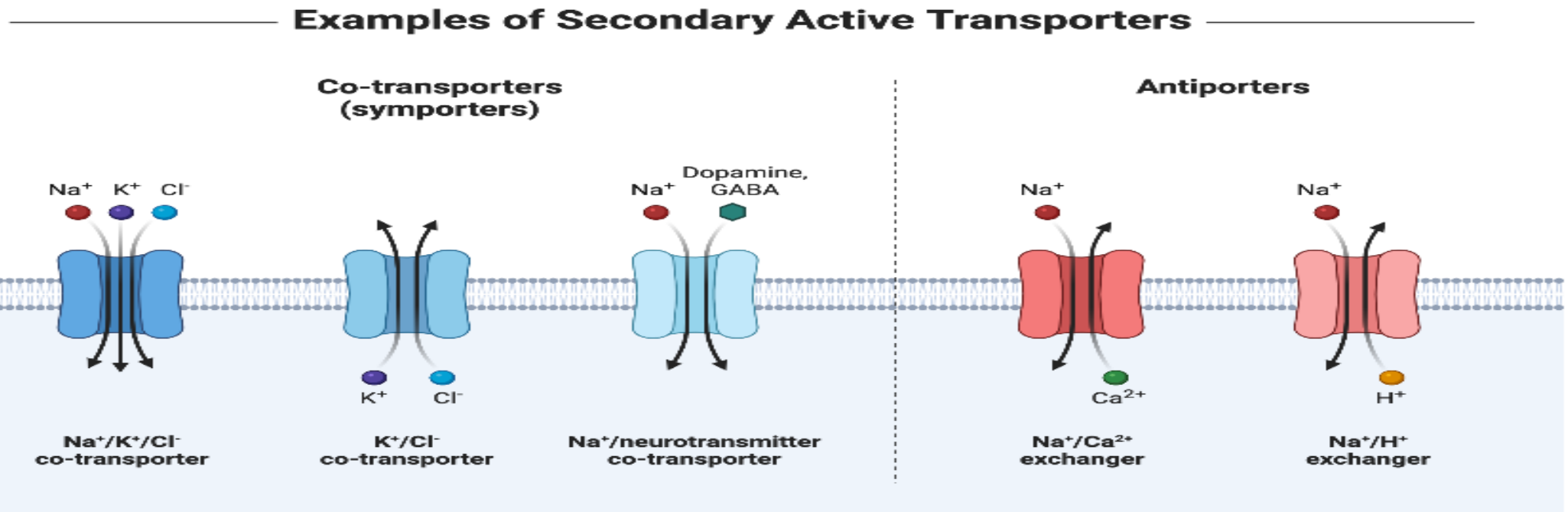
Release of phosphate changes the shape of the protein, moving K^+ to the cytoplasm.

2,2, Secondary active Transport :

unlike direct active transport, it does not use the energy provided by the hydrolysis of ATP, it is the electrochemical potential difference that is used. The two main forms are

Symport: the two substances of different nature are transported in the same direction (Cotransport), one in the direction of its concentration gradient (passive transport) and the other in the opposite direction to its concentration gradient (active transport).

- Anti-port: transport of two or more substances of different nature in opposite directions (counter-transport). One is transported in the direction of the concentration gradient and the other counter-concentration gradient.



Exchanges with plasma membrane deformations

It is the transport of large molecules or particles with intervention of the cytoskeleton, case of **endocytosis** and **exocytosis**

a. Endocytosis

It allows the entry of molecules to the cell (Figure 4A).. Three types of endocytosis are known:

- Phagocytosis (**1**),
- Pinocytosis (**2**) and
- Receptor endocytosis (**3**).

b. Exocytosis

On the contrary, exocytosis ensures the exit of secretion molecules to the extracellular medium and allows the recycling of membrane receptors (Figure 4B).

(A) Endocytosis

(B) Exocytosis
(Receptor recycling)

