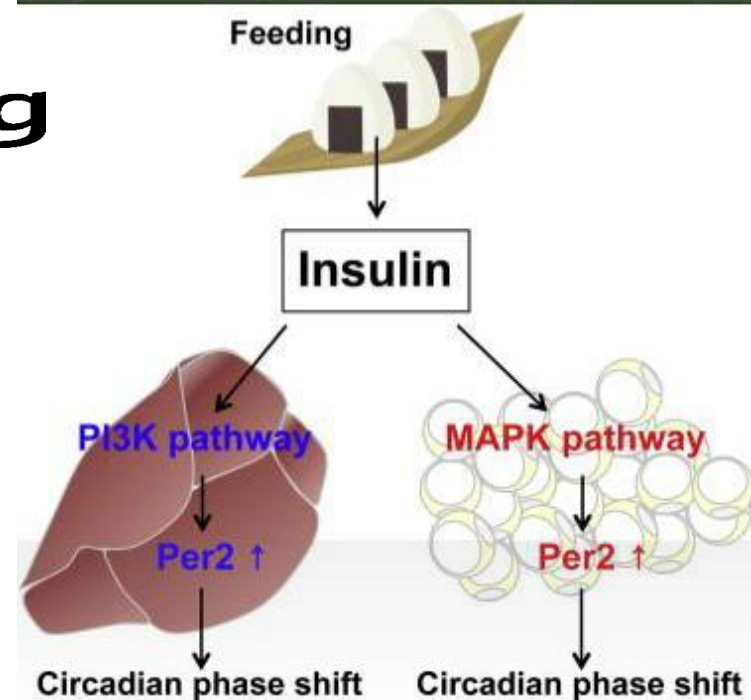
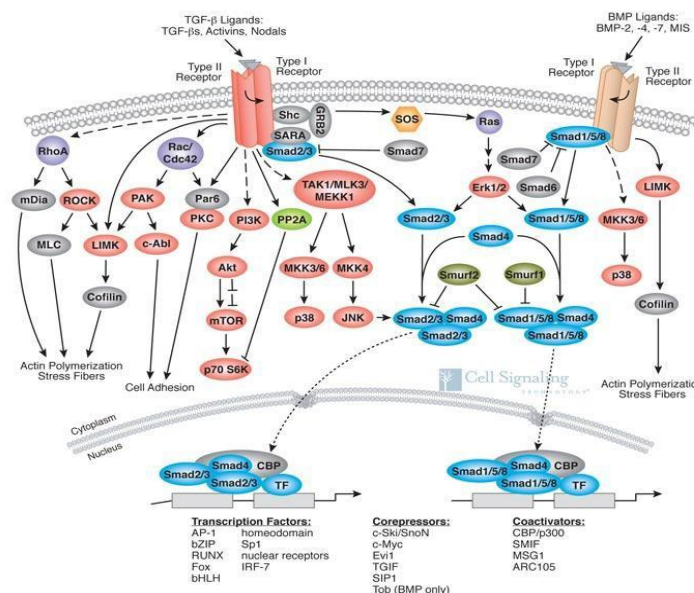
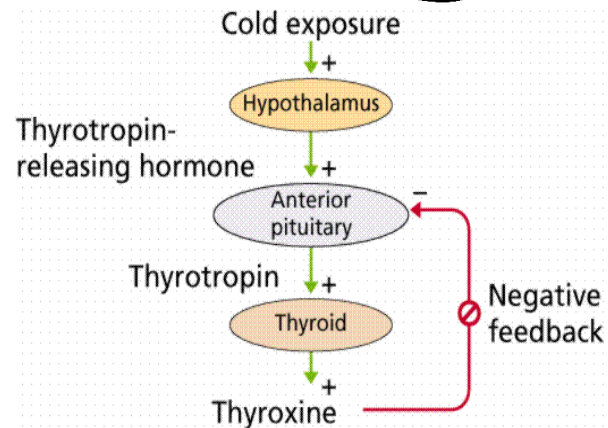
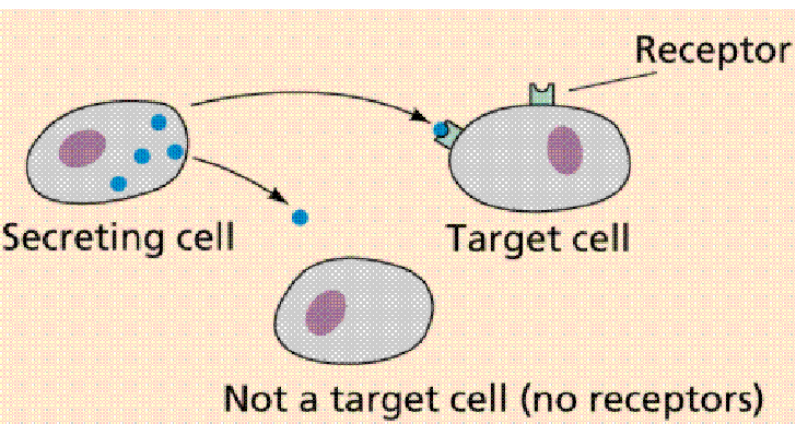
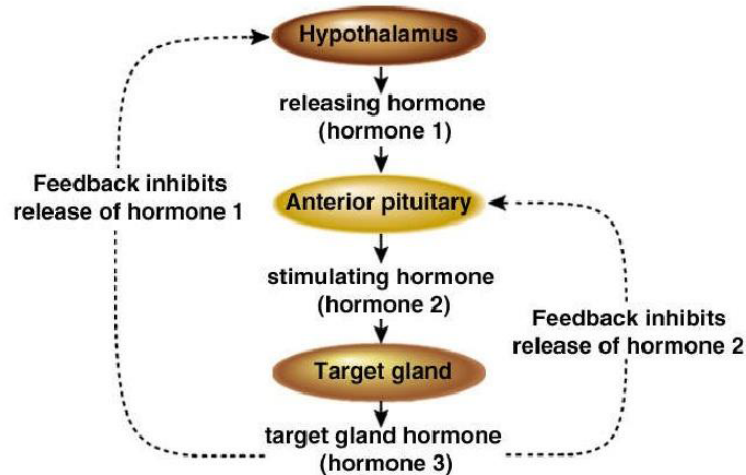




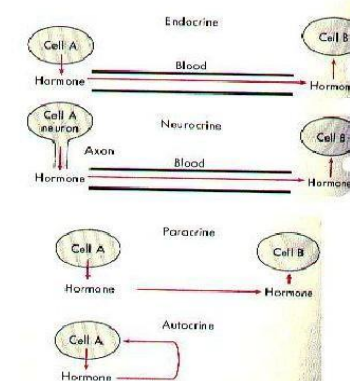
# Integration of Metabolism: hormones & Cellular Signaling

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## Endocrine Glands



## Types of cell-to-cell signaling



**Endocrine Hormones:** travel via bloodstream to target cells

**Neurocrine hormones:** released from nerve terminals

**Paracrine hormones:** act on adjacent cells

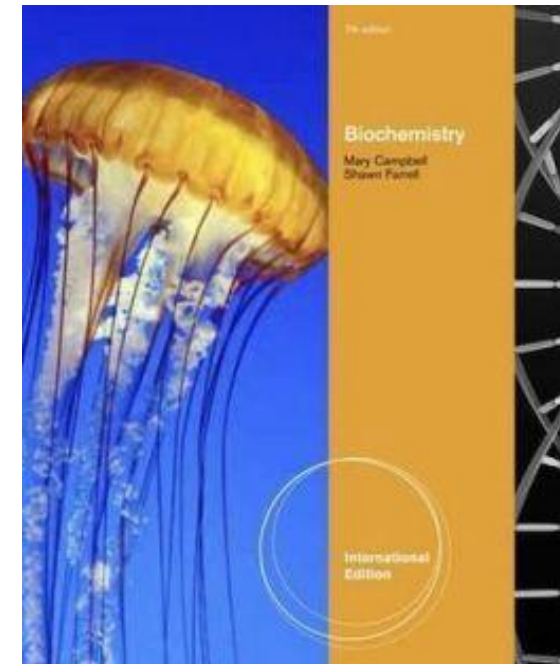
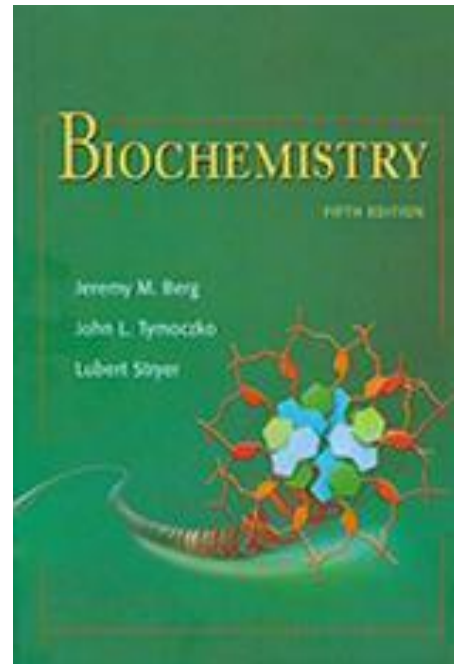
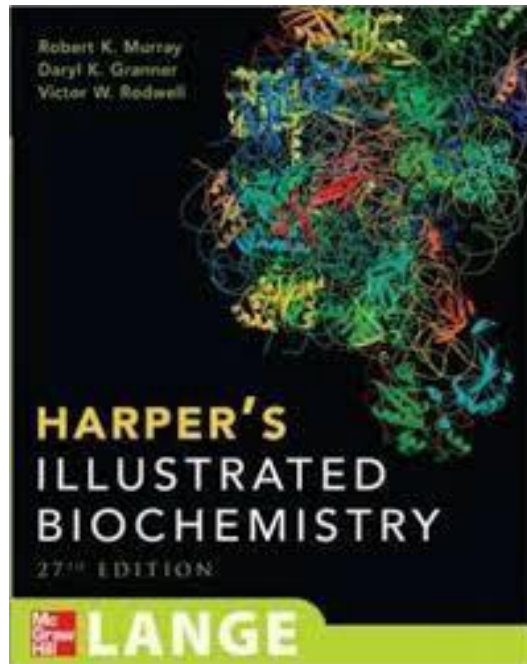
**Autocrine hormones:** Released and act on the cell that secreted them.

**Intracrine Hormones:** act within the cell that produces them.



# Resources for the lectures

- Harper's Illustrated Biochemistry
- Stryer's Biochemistry
- Campbell's Biochemistry





# Outline

## 1<sup>st</sup> lecture

- Definition
- Signaling
- Biochemical issues
- Target cell concept
- Receptor domains
- Amplification
- Regulation
- Classification
- Structure, synthesis, and degradation

## 2<sup>nd</sup> lecture

- Continued Structure, synthesis, and degradation
- Signal transduction
- 2<sup>nd</sup> messengers
- GPCR
- G-proteins
- Adenylate cyclase

## 3<sup>rd</sup> lecture

- PI cascade
- Calcium binding proteins
- RTK cascade
- Monomeric G-proteins

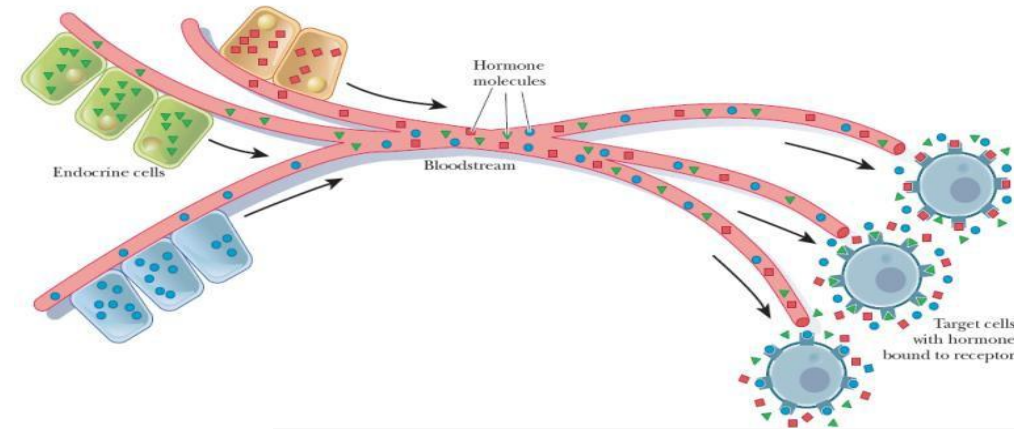
## 4<sup>th</sup> lecture (online material)

- Steroidogenesis



# Hormones: The Remote Controllers

- **What are hormones?** Organic, blood, low amounts, source & target
- **Classes:**
  - Endocrine hormones
    - Distance; stability; & concentration
  - Paracrine hormones
  - Autocrine hormones

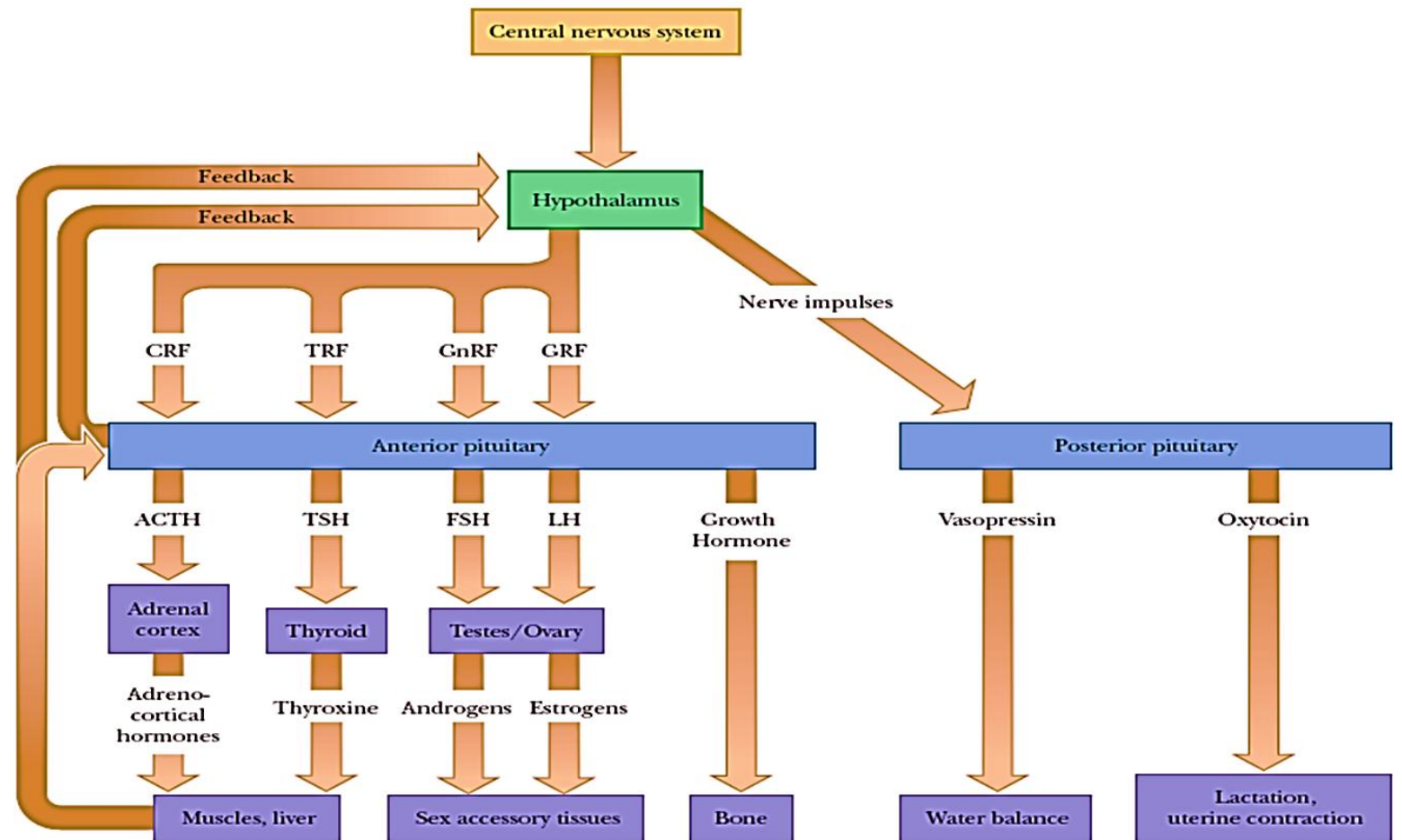


**Signaling by Secreted Molecules**



# Nervous vs. endocrine

- These two systems are functionally interrelated.
- ✓ Both regulate human physiology
- ✓ The endocrine system produces a **slower and more prolonged response** than the nervous system.
- ✓ Both systems may act **simultaneously** on the same target cells and tissues, and **some nerve cells secrete hormones**.





# The Target Cell Concept

- The definition of a target has been expanded to include any cell in which the hormone (ligand) binds to its receptor, regardless of the action
- **200 types** of differentiated cells in humans
- Only a few produce hormones! (**<50 known hormones**)
- All of **75 trillion cells** in a human are targets to one or more
- One hormone → several cell types
- One cell type → several hormones
- One hormone → several effects (pleiotropy).



# The Target Cell Concept

- Several factors determine the response of a target cell to a hormone:

## Factors affect the concentration of the hormone at the target cell

- ✓ The rate of synthesis and secretion of the hormone
- ✓ The proximity of the target cell to the hormone source (dilution)
- ✓ The  $K_d$  of the hormone – receptor complex
- ✓ The rate of conversion of inactive form to the fully active form
- ✓ The rate of clearance from the plasma



# The Target Cell Concept

- **Several factors determine the response of a target cell to a hormone:**

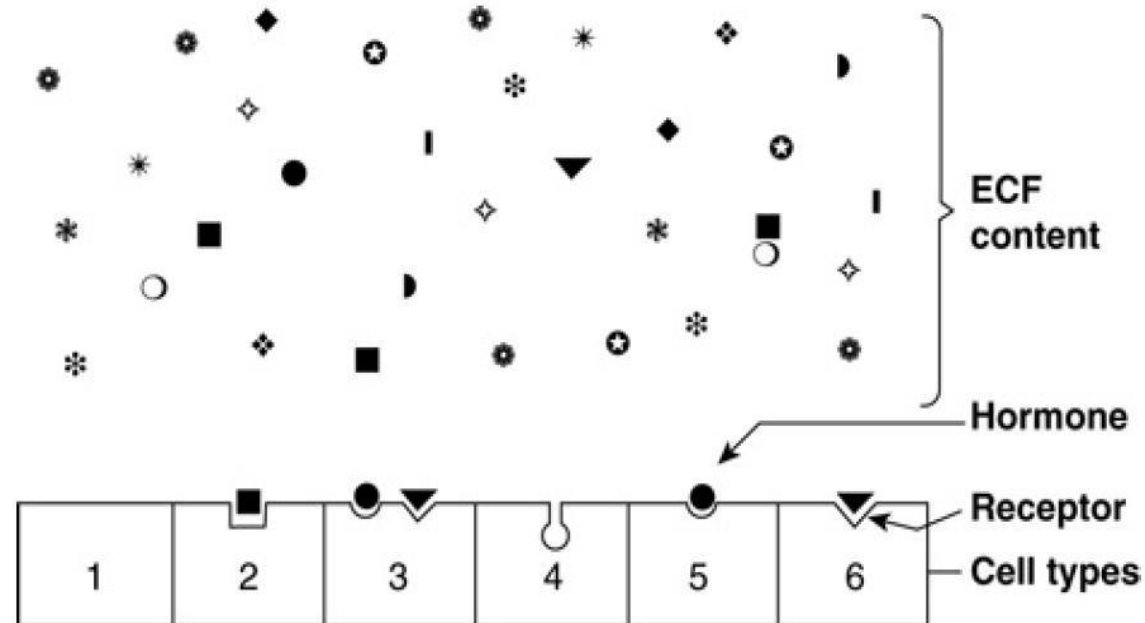
## Factors affecting the target cell response

- ✓ The number, relative activity, and state of occupancy of receptors
- ✓ The metabolism (activation / inactivation) of the hormone in the target cell
- ✓ The presence of factors within target cell necessary for the response
- ✓ Up- or down-regulation of the receptors upon interaction with ligand
  - ✓ Post-receptor desensitization of the cell



# Receptors Discriminate Precisely

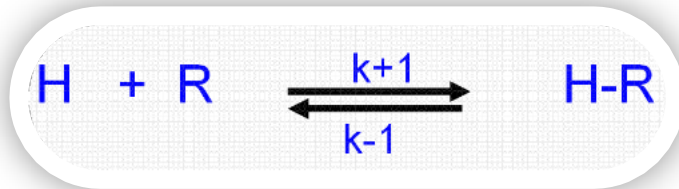
- **Major challenge:**
  - Atto- to nano-molar range ( $10^{-15}$  to  $10^{-9}$  mol/L) vs. Structurally similar molecules (sterols, amino acids, peptides, and proteins): micro- to millimolar ( $10^{-6}$  to  $10^{-3}$  mol/L) range



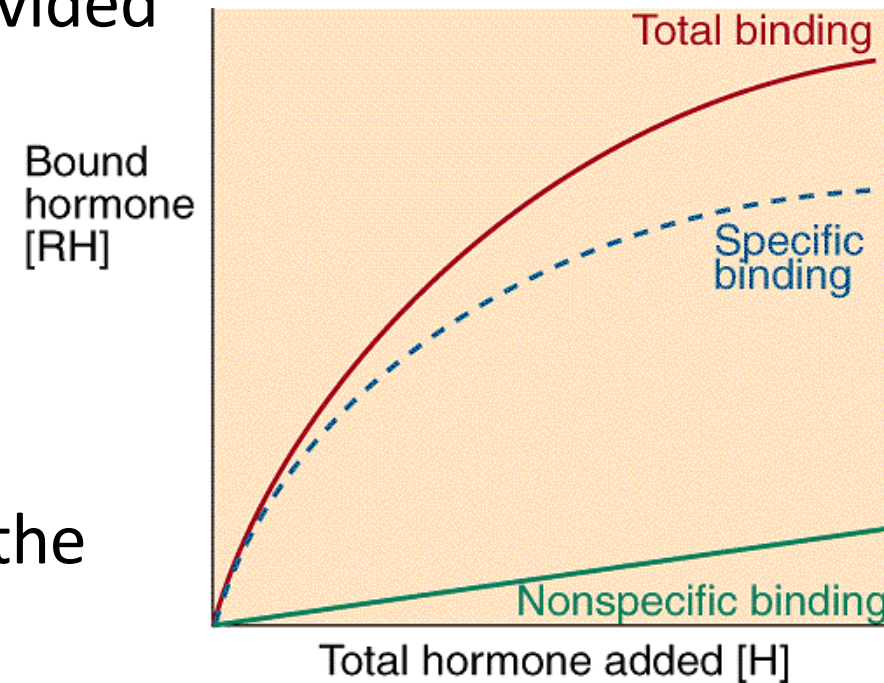


# Accordingly; Hormone-Receptor interactions

- Should be specific: displaceable by agonist or antagonist
- Should be saturable
- Should occur within the concentration range provided



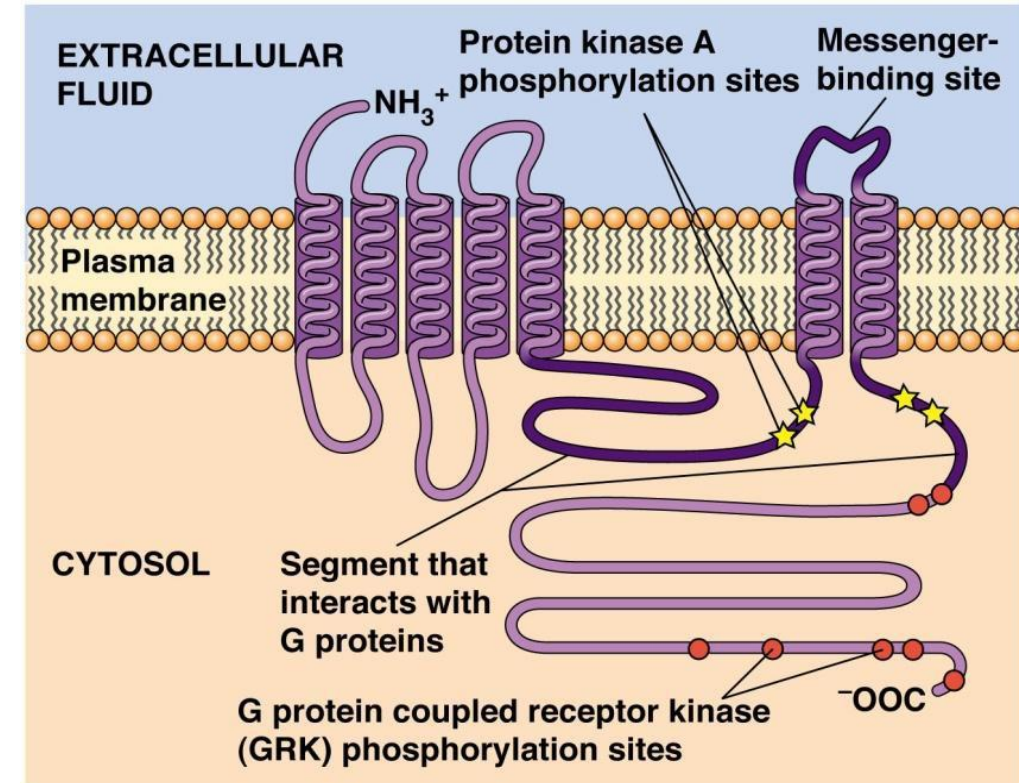
- Dissociation constant  $K_d$ 
  - $K_d = \{[H] \times [R]\} / [H-R]$
- 20 X dissociation constant is enough to saturate the receptor
- $K_d$  values for many hormone range from  $10^{-9}$  to  $10^{-11}$  M





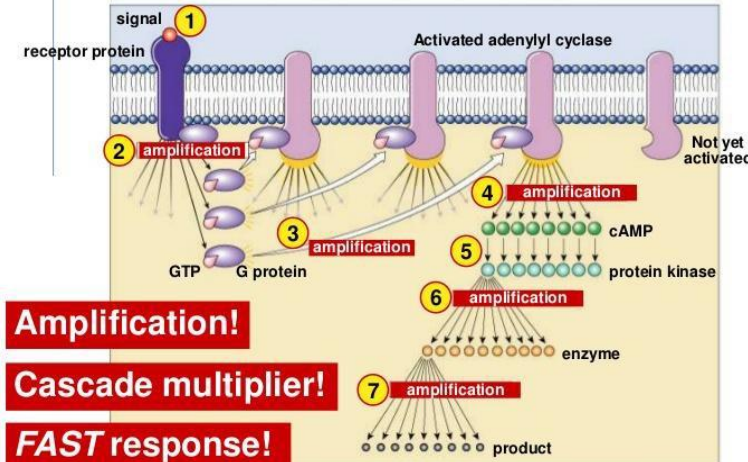
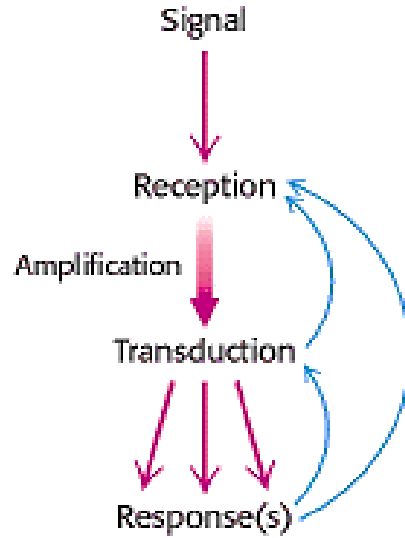
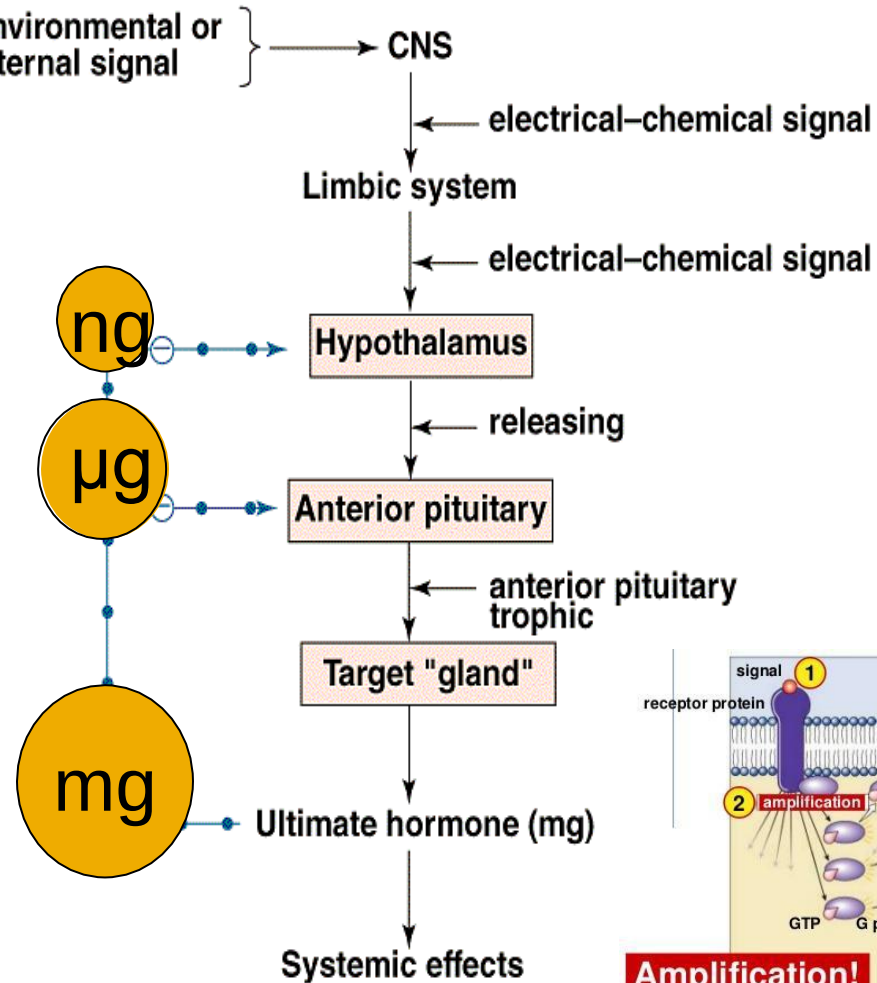
# Receptor domains

- All receptors have at least two functional domains:
  - **Recognition domain**
  - **Coupling or signal transduction domain**
- Coupling occurs in two general ways:
  - Changing the activity of an enzyme (Polypeptide & catecholamines, plasma membrane)
  - Direct (steroids, retinoids, and thyroid hormones, intracellular)
- Steroid, thyroid, and retinoid hormone receptors:
  - Hormone binding site ; DNA binding site; co-regulator proteins binding site, cellular trafficking proteins binding site
- Receptor–effector coupling provides the first step in amplification





# Signal Amplification

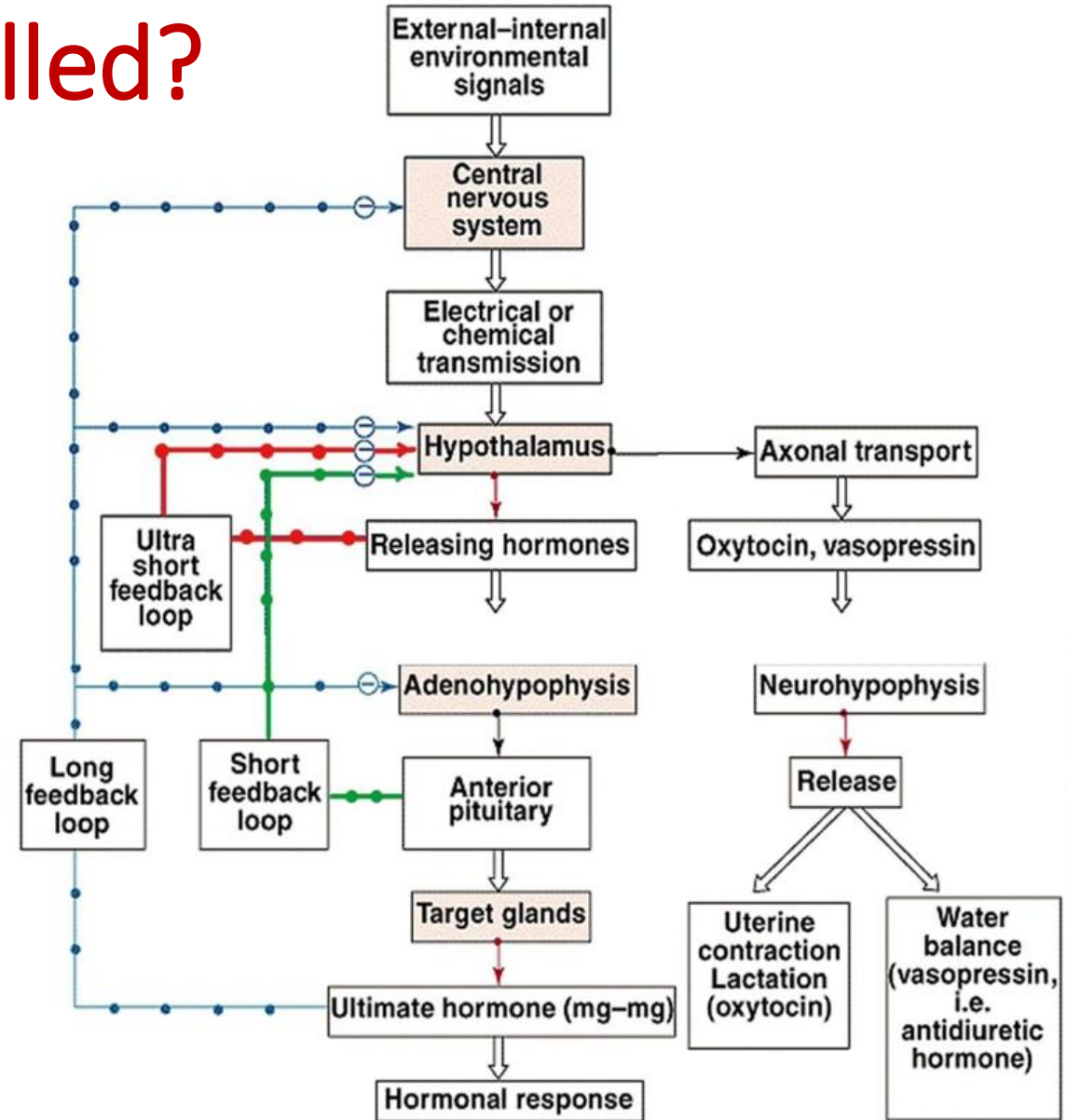
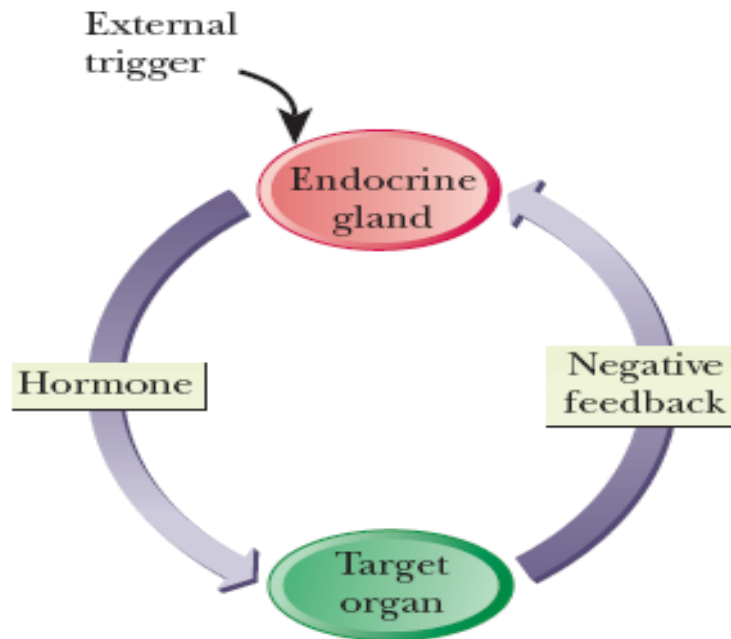


| (a) Signaling pathway                                                   | (b) Number of molecules activated |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>RECEPTION</b><br>Binding of epinephrine to G protein-linked receptor | 1 molecule                        |
| <b>TRANSDUCTION</b><br>Inactive G protein → Active G protein            | $10^2$ molecules                  |
| Inactive adenylyl cyclase → Active adenylyl cyclase                     | $10^2$ molecules                  |
| ATP → Cyclic AMP                                                        | $10^4$ molecules                  |
| Inactive protein kinase A → Active protein kinase A                     | $10^4$ molecules                  |
| Inactive phosphorylase kinase → Active phosphorylase kinase             | $10^5$ molecules                  |
| Inactive glycogen phosphorylase → Active glycogen phosphorylase         | $10^6$ molecules                  |
| <b>RESPONSE</b><br>Glycogen → Glucose-1-phosphate                       | $10^8$ molecules                  |



# How the release is controlled?

- Feedback inhibition
  - Ultrashort loop
  - Short loop
  - Long loop





# Classification of hormones

- Chemistry, solubility, receptors' location, signaling mediator
  - ✓ Small peptides, polypeptides and proteins
  - ✓ Amino acid derivatives and arachidonic acid analogs
  - ✓ Steroids



# Classification of hormones - Chemistry

## Steroids

- Cholesterol-derived
- Transported by plasma proteins or specialized carrier (**protection**)

## Small peptides, polypeptides, and proteins

- Released and dissolve readily in blood and generally do not require special transport proteins.
- Most if not all polypeptides and proteins have specific carrier proteins

## Amino acid derivatives and arachidonic acid analogs

- Catecholamines: released and dissolve readily
- Thyroid: bind transport proteins (prealbumin).



# Classification of Hormones

## Mechanism of Action

- Hormones that bind to intracellular receptors
  - Steroids
  - Thyroid hormones
  - Calcitriol, retinoic acid

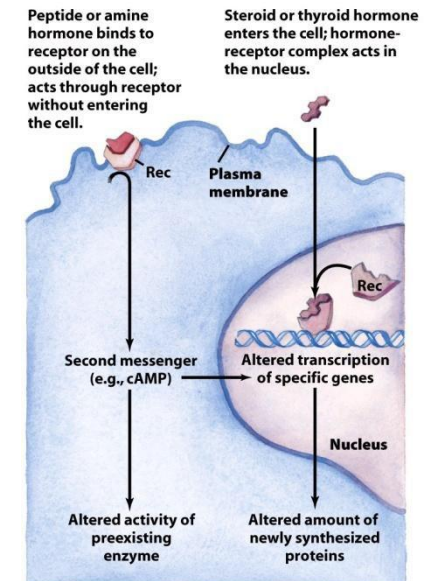
Long Half- life  
(hrs-days)

Transport  
proteins

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# Classification of Hormones

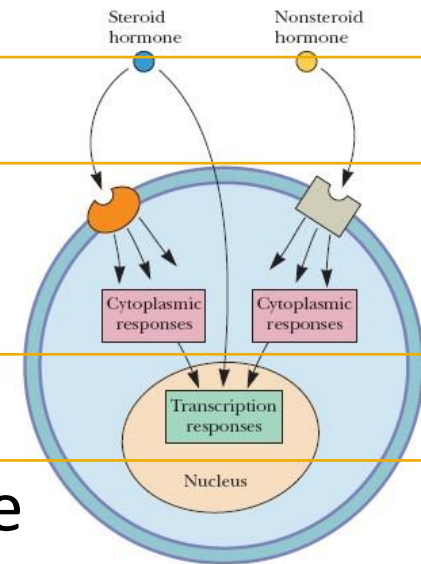
## Mechanism of Action

- Hormones that bind to cell surface receptors
  - (According to second messenger):
    - cAMP ( $\beta$  adrenergic factor, glucagon, ACTH)
    - cGMP (atrial natriuretic factor, Nitric oxide)
    - Calcium or phosphatidyl inositol (oxytocin, TRH)
    - Kinase or phosphatase cascade (insulin, GH)



# General features of hormone classes

|                    | Group I                                         | Group II                                                                 |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Types              | Steroids, iodothyronines, calcitriol, retinoids | Polypeptides, proteins, glycoproteins, catecholamines                    |
| Action             | Slow                                            | Fast                                                                     |
| Solubility         | Lipophilic                                      | Hydrophilic                                                              |
| Transport proteins | Yes                                             | No                                                                       |
| Plasma $t_{1/2}$   | Long (hrs - days)                               | Short (minutes)                                                          |
| Receptor           | Intracellular                                   | Plasma membrane                                                          |
| Mediator           | Receptor- hormone complex                       | cAMP, cGMP, $Ca^{2+}$ , kinase cascades, metabolites of phosphoinositols |





# Genomic responses vs. rapid responses

**TABLE 1-1 Nuclear Receptors and Involvement in Genomic and/or Rapid Biological Responses**

| (Steroid receptor) & ligand                             | # aa Receptor | Steroid nuclear receptors & gene transcription generate genomic responses (GR)                                                                        | Steroid membrane receptors generates rapid responses (RR)                                                                                          |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (Thyroid $\beta$ ) $T_3$                                | 461           | $T_3$ binding to its nuclear receptor, in target cells stimulates dissociation of co-repressors, recruitment of co-activators, etc. to complete a GR. | $T_3$ activates PI3kinases and MAP kinase RR pathways which can result in glucose uptake, $Ca^{2+}$ -ATPase, $Na^+/H^+$ antiporter.                |
| (Vitamin D receptor) $1\alpha,25(OH)_2$ - vitamin $D_3$ | 427           | Both intestinal $Ca^{2+}$ absorption & kidney $Ca^{2+}$ reabsorption requires GR for production of new calcium binding proteins (CaBP).               | RR opening of $Cl^-$ channels in osteoblasts & keratinocytes in 20 min; insulin secretion from $\beta$ -cells, MAP kinase activation in NB4 cells. |
| (Estrogen receptor $\alpha$ ) Estradiol                 | 595           | ER $\alpha$ GR are required for normal ovarian function.                                                                                              | ER $\alpha$ activates PI3K and then AKt RR stimulates nitric oxide NO.                                                                             |
| (Estrogen receptor $\beta$ ) Estradiol                  | 530           | ER $\beta$ GR are required for ovulation & pregnancy.                                                                                                 | The cell membrane ER $\beta$ bound to caveola has been implicated in RR.                                                                           |
| (Glucocorticoid receptor) Cortisol                      | 777           | Knockout (KO) of the mouse GC receptor is lethal at time of birth.                                                                                    | Cortisol stimulates PI3-kinase/Akt to activate in seconds NO release.                                                                              |
| (Mineralocorticoid receptor) Aldosterone                | 919           | MR KO mice die of $Na^+$ and $H_2O$ deprivation.                                                                                                      | Aldosterone activates in 3–15 minutes the RR of $Na^+/H^+$ exchange in renal cells.                                                                |
| (Progesterone receptor) Progesterone                    | 933           | The progesterone receptor participates in GR sexual differentiation determination.                                                                    | Progesterone stimulates RR within seconds to minutes, the acrosome reaction in spermatozoa.                                                        |
| (Androgen receptor) Testosterone                        | 919           | KO of the AR male mouse causes development of female genitalia.                                                                                       | Activation of MAP kinase then activates the ERK pathway via RR.                                                                                    |

GR = genomic responses; RR = rapid responses. RR are not dependent on genomic responses. KO = Knock-out renders affected genes inactive.