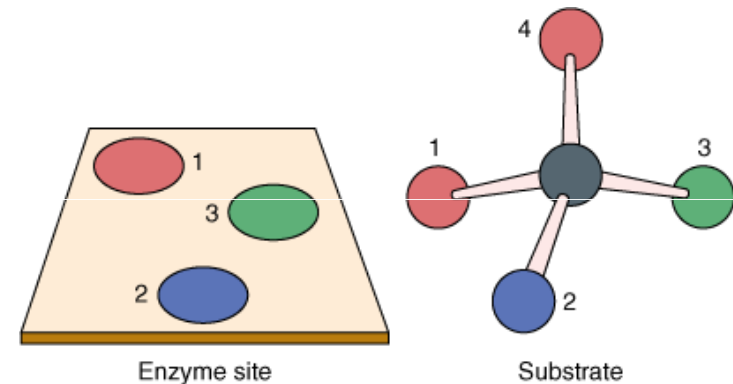


Enzymes = catalysts

- ▶ PROTEINS
- ▶ SUBSTRATE(S) to PRODUCT(S)
- ▶ High catalytic efficiency – enhance the rate of reaction to $10^6 - 10^9$ times
- ▶ EXTREMELY SPECIFIC:
 - catalyze only one or a small set of closely related reactions
 - absolute stereospecificity
- ▶ no side-products
- ▶ activity can be regulated



Classification of enzymes

- ▶ Classified depending on the TYPE OF REACTION they catalyzed
 - ▶ SIX classes
 - ▶ NAME OF ENZYME: type of substrate + -ase
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- ATPase – degradation of ATP
 - ATP synthase – synthesis of ATP



Main enzyme classes

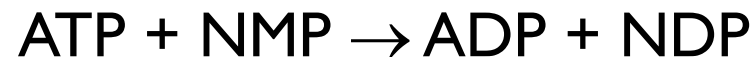
- ▶ **Oxidoreductases** — oxidations and reductions
- ▶ **Transferases** —transfer of moieties
- ▶ **Hydrolases** —*hydrolytic* cleavage of C—C, C—O, C—N and other covalent bonds
- ▶ **Lyases** —cleavage of C—C, C—O, C—N and other covalent bonds by *atom elimination*, generating double bonds
- ▶ **Isomerases** —geometric or structural changes *within* a molecule
- ▶ **Ligases** —joining together (ligation) of two molecules in reactions coupled to the hydrolysis of ATP



IUB classification

- ▶ International Union of Biochemists (IUB), Enzyme Commission (EC)
- ▶ EC 4 digit mark

- ▶ Example: nucleoside-monophosphate-kinase EC 2.7.4.4.
Catalyzes:

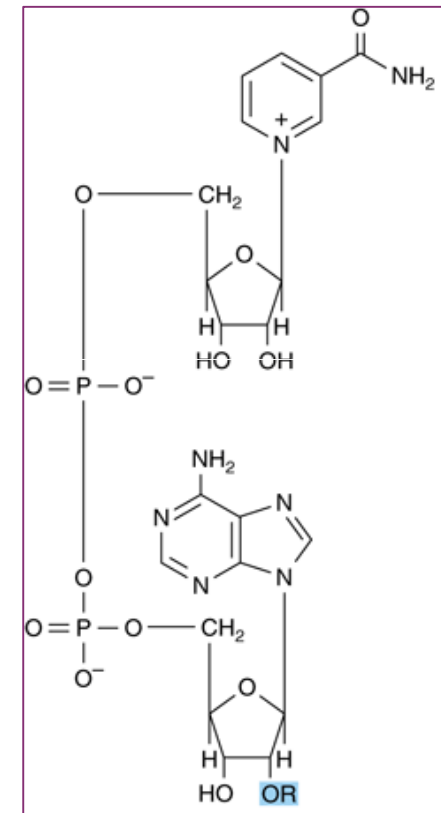


1. **number**: class (transferase)
2. **number**: subclass (transferase which transfers phosphate group)
3. **number**: subclass (phosphate group as acceptor)
4. **number**: precisely describes acceptor (nukleoside monophosphate)



Prosthetic Groups, cofactors & coenzymes

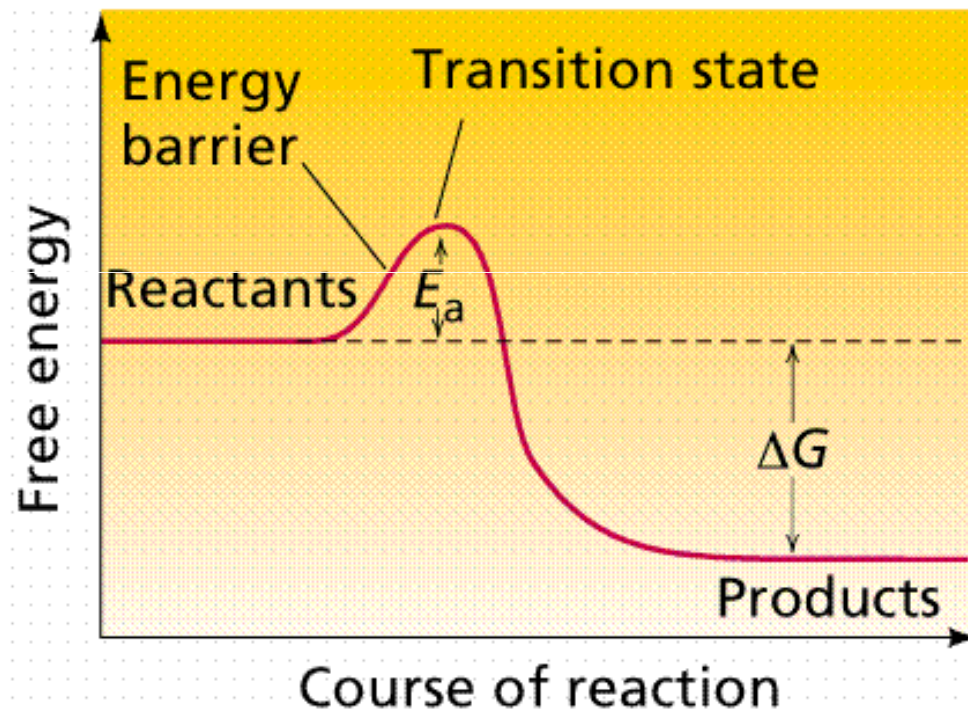
- ▶ **PROSTETIC GROUPS** – tightly integrated into the enzyme structure (e.g. metals in metalloenzymes)
- ▶ **COFACTORS** – bind in dissociable manner to enzyme or substrate (e.g. metals in metal-activated enzymes)
- ▶ **COENZYMES** – recyclable shuttles; stabilize reactive species and facilitate binding of substrate to enzyme



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Reaction kinetics



ACTIVATION ENERGY $\Delta G_F = E_a$

$$\Delta G_F = E_a = G_{\text{transitional state}} - G_{\text{substrate}}$$

- ▶ energy required for formation of products from reactants
- ▶ determines the reaction rate

FREE REACTION ENERGY ΔG

$$\Delta G = \Delta G_{\text{products}} - \Delta G_{\text{reactants}}$$

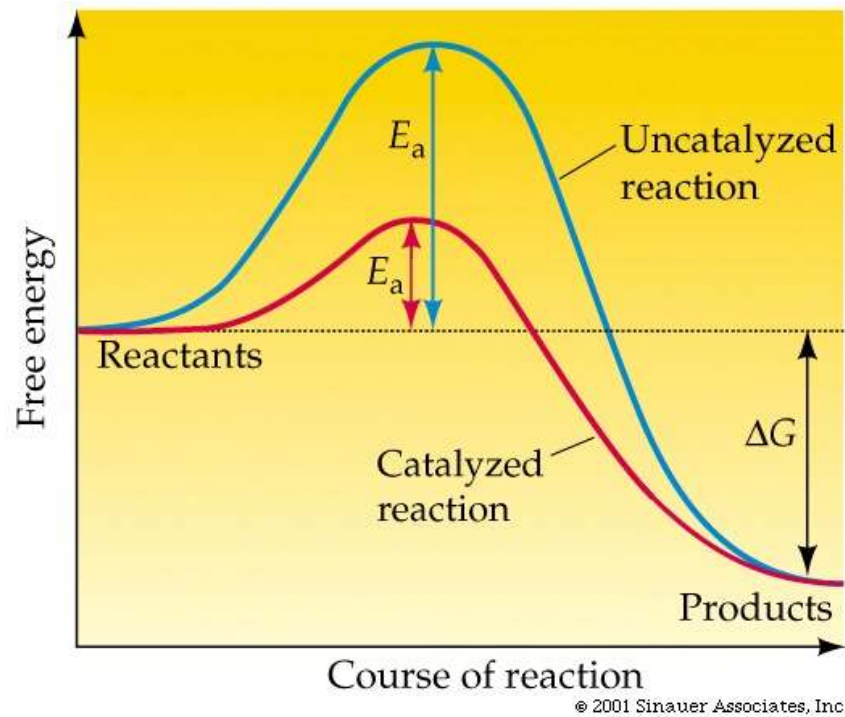
- ▶ is independent of the mechanism of the reaction
- ▶ provides no information concerning *rates* of reactions
- ▶ describes *spontaneity* and the *direction* in which a chemical reaction will tend to proceed

Advantage of enzymatic catalysis comparing to chemical catalysis

- ▶ **CHEMICAL** catalysis often requires:
 - high temperature
 - pressure
 - extreme pH values
- ▶ **ENZYMATICALLY** catalyzed reactions proceed in **milder** reaction conditions
 - enzymatic catalysis is effective in physiological conditions (pH=7, T=37 °C)



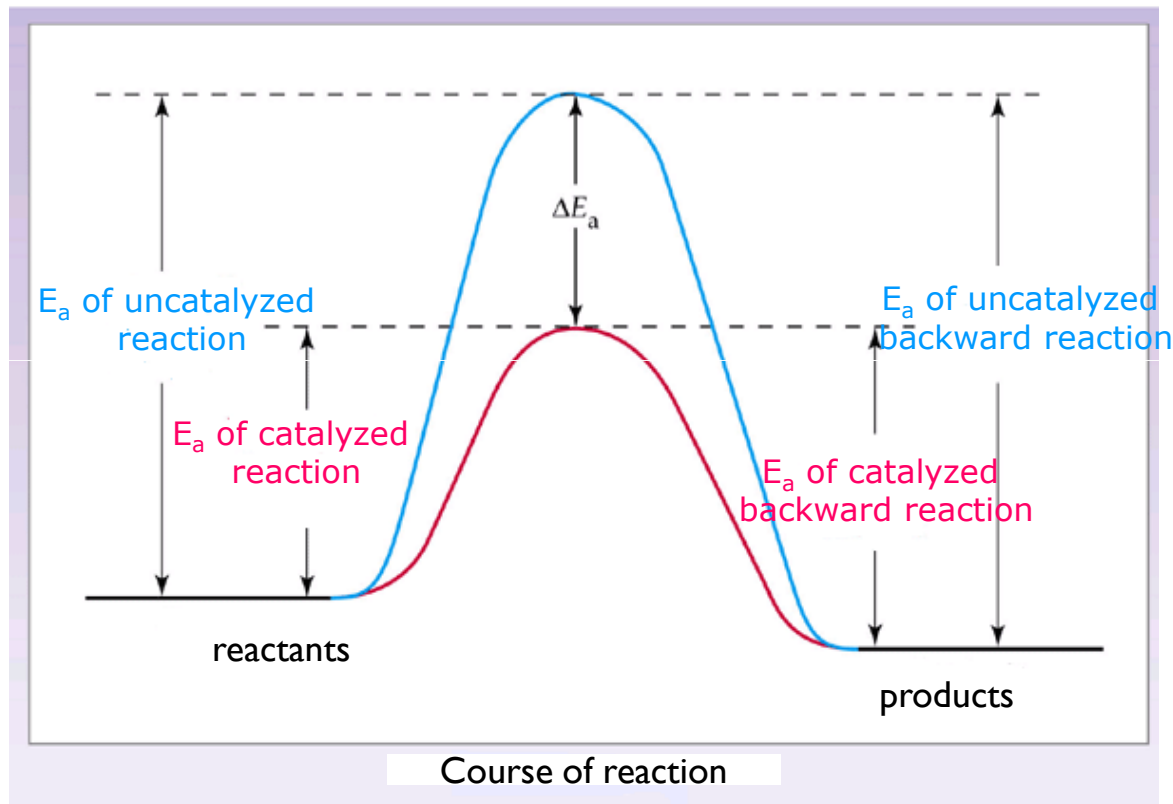
Enzymes lower the activation energy barrier for a reaction



- ▶ Enzymes **facilitate** the formation of transition states
- ▶ **Substrates**: reactants in enzymatically catalyzed reactions



Basic characteristics of enzymatic catalysis



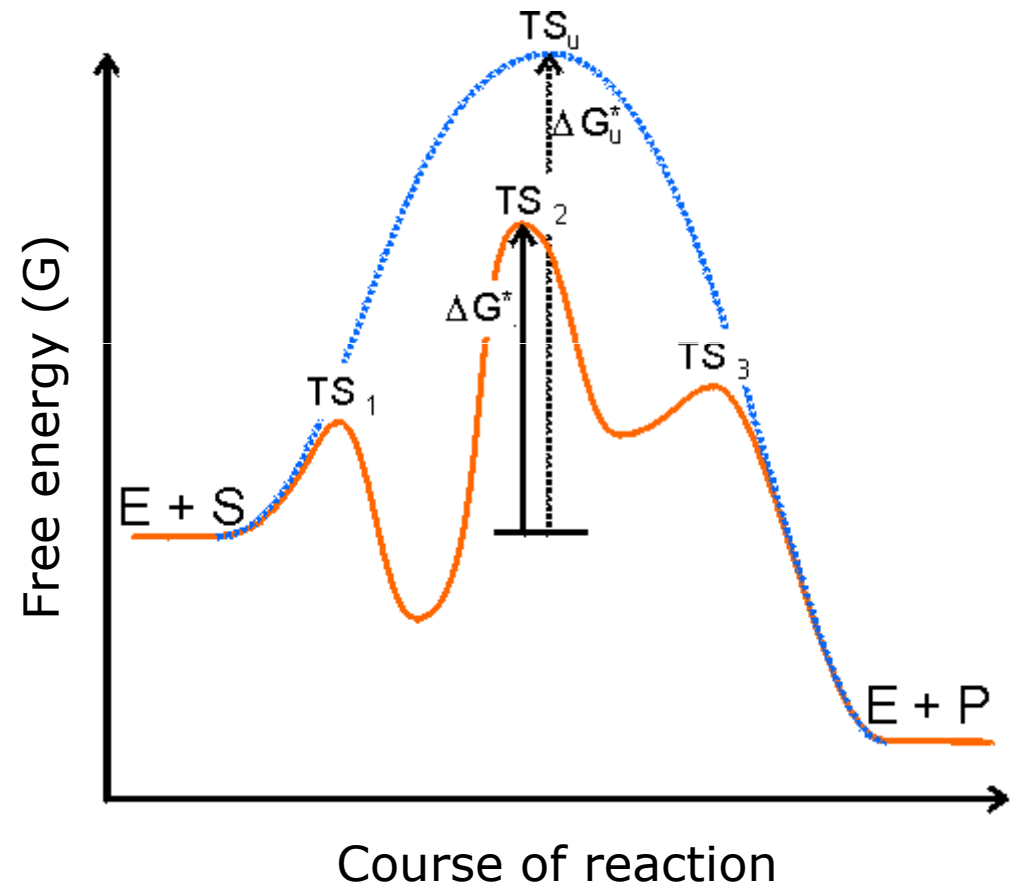
k_f, k_r = constants of chemical reaction rates



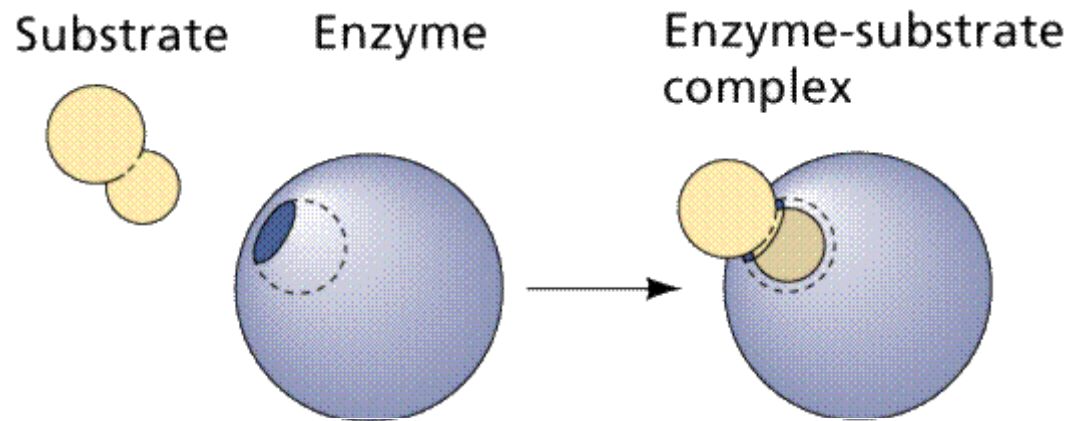
- ▶ Enzymes enhance the rates of both way reactions equally
- ▶ They accelerate the achievement of equilibrium, but do not alter the position of equilibrium
- ▶ Enzymes accelerate only thermodynamically favorable reaction ($\Delta G < 0$)

Enzymatically catalyzed reactions often involve more reaction stages

- ▶ Catalyzed reaction involves **few transition stages** (TS_1, TS_2, TS_3)
- ▶ Total reaction rate is determined by the slowest stage – stage with the highest activation energy



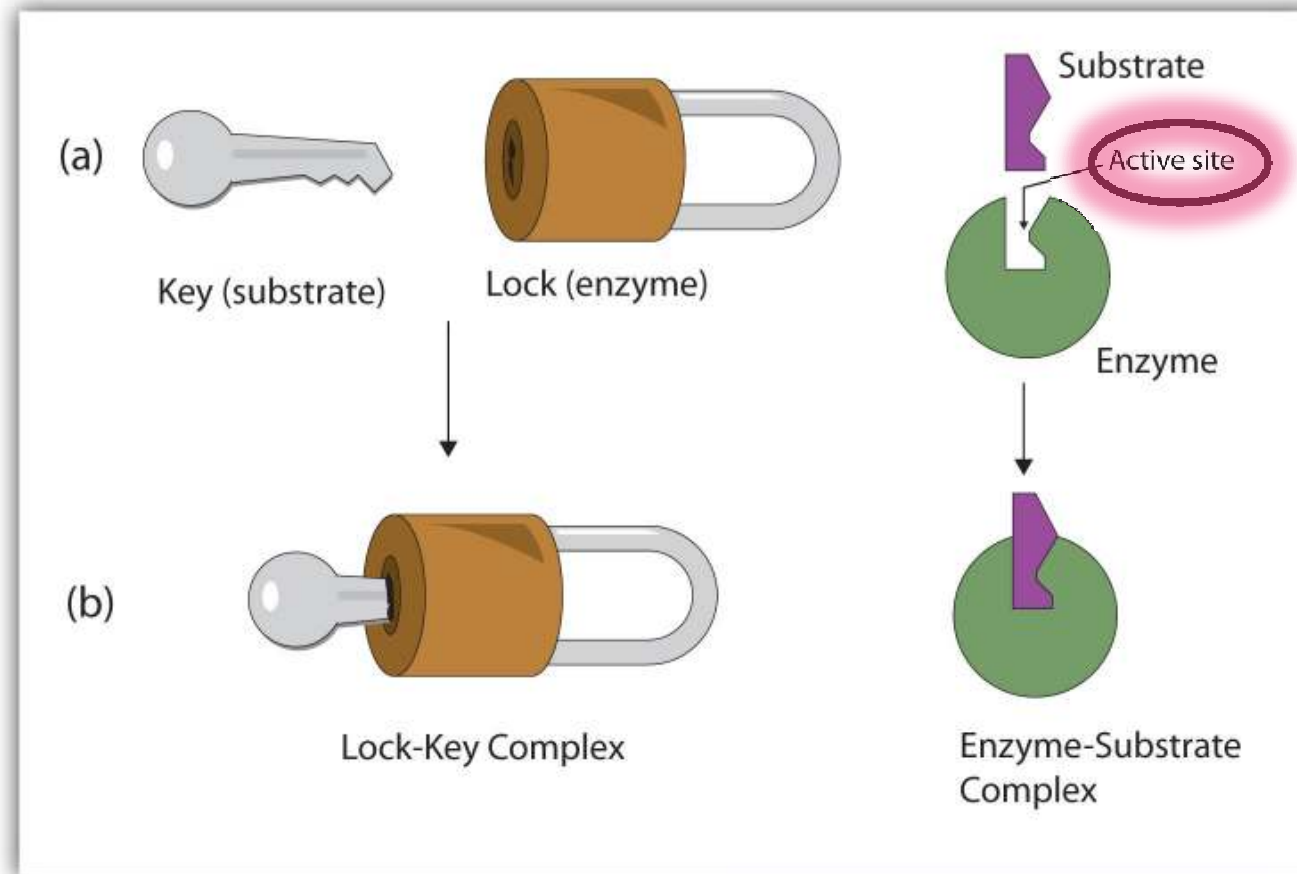
Formation of enzyme-substrate complex is the first step in the enzymatic catalysis



- ▶ Reaction of enzyme and substrate is very **specific**
- ▶ Substrate binds to specific site on enzyme: **ACTIVE SITE**
- ▶ ES complex **approaches** substrates and **directs them favorably** for reaction
- ▶ Interaction of enzyme and substrate in active site **induces** a formation of **transition state**



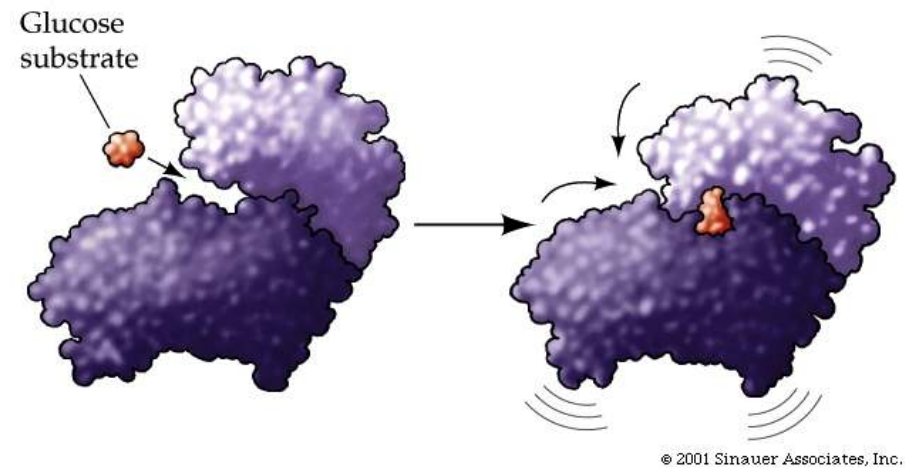
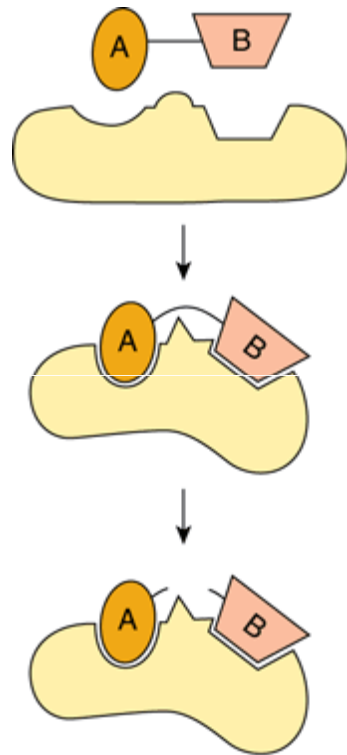
Key – Lock model



Active site of enzyme has the shape complementary to the shape of substrate



Induced fit model

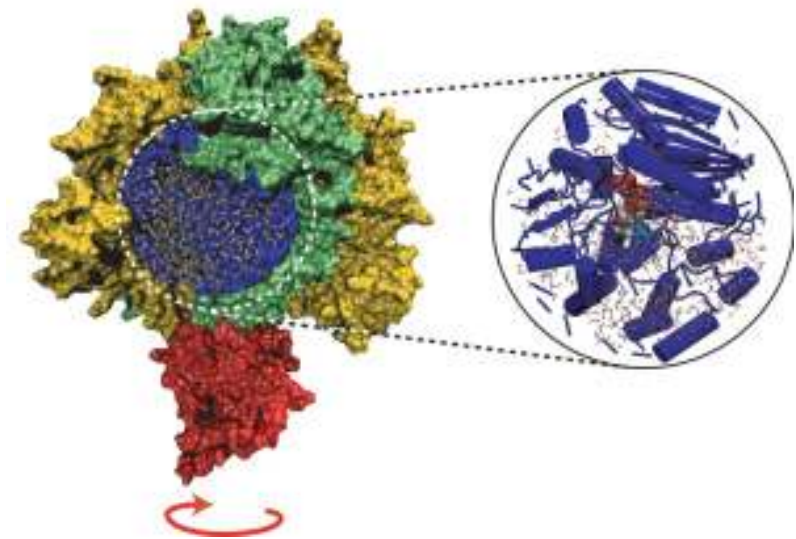


Complementary shape of active site is formed **after** binding of substrate to enzyme

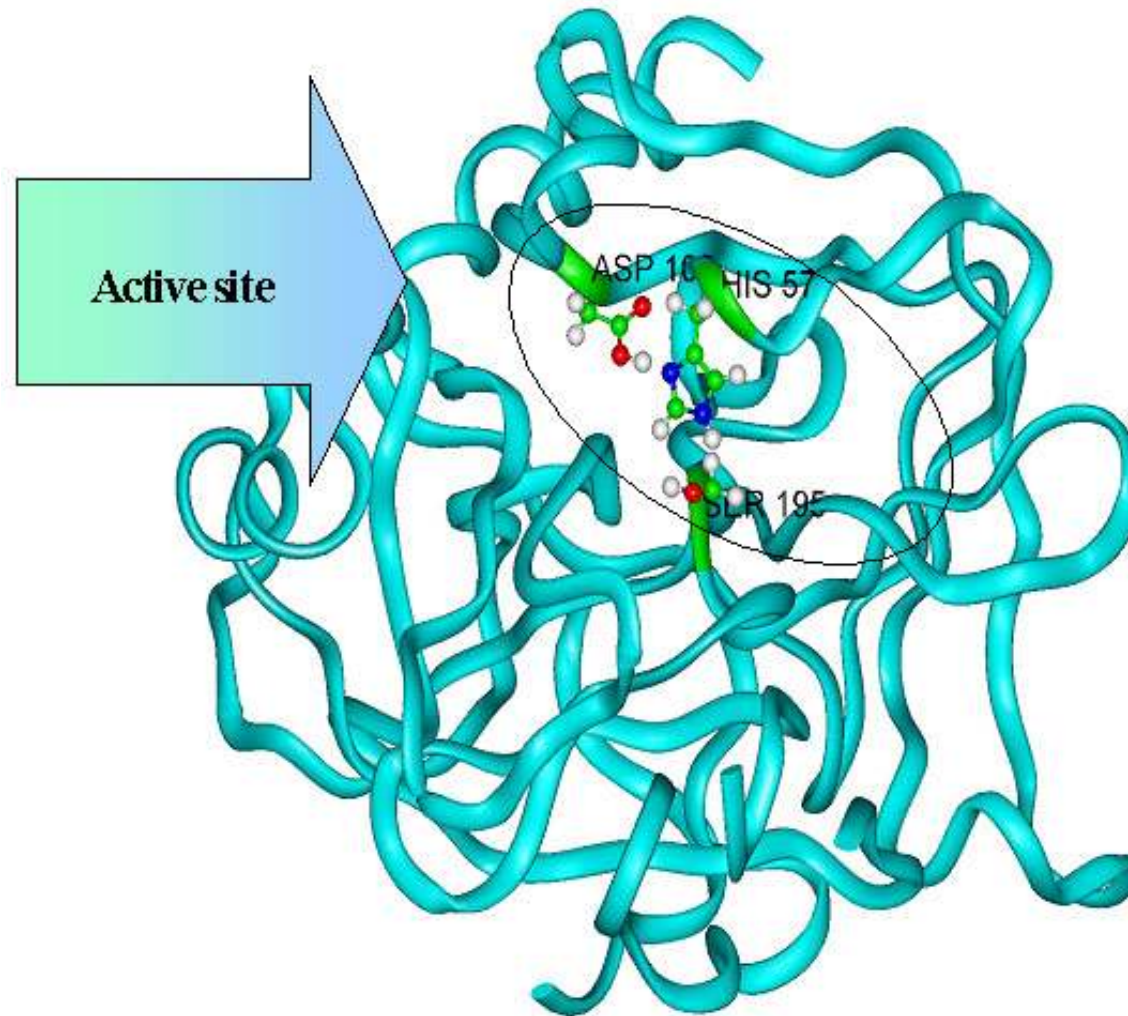


Active site

- ▶ Takes **small part** of the enzyme
 - ▶ Three dimensional **gaps** in the structure of the enzyme
 - ▶ Contains **binding amino acids** which bind substrates and cofactors with weak forces
 - ▶ Contains **catalytically important amino acids** involved in formation and cleavage of chemical bonds
 - ▶ Specificity of binding depends on precisely determined **rearrangement** of atoms in active site
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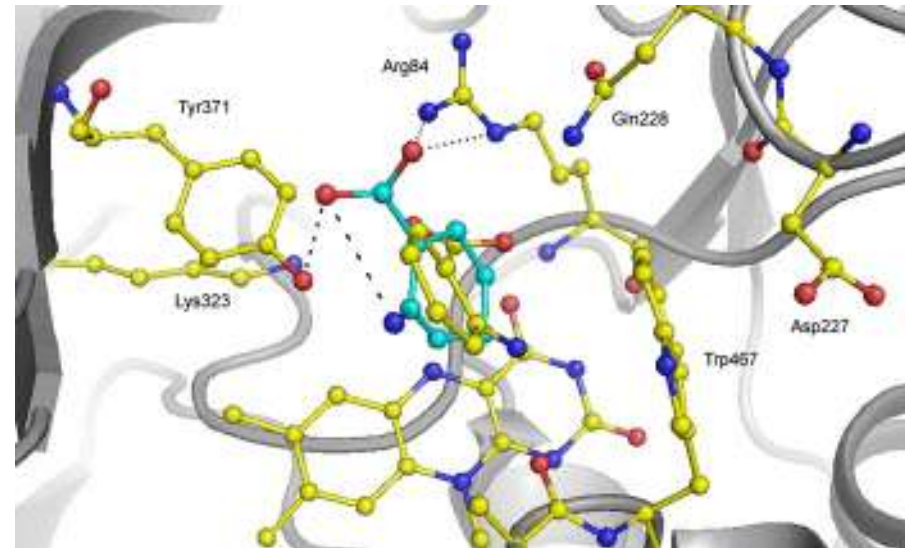


Active site includes amino acids which are distant in primary structure



Substrate binds to enzyme with weak forces

- ▶ ES complex is formed of weak non-covalent interactions between **linking** amino acid residues in enzyme active site



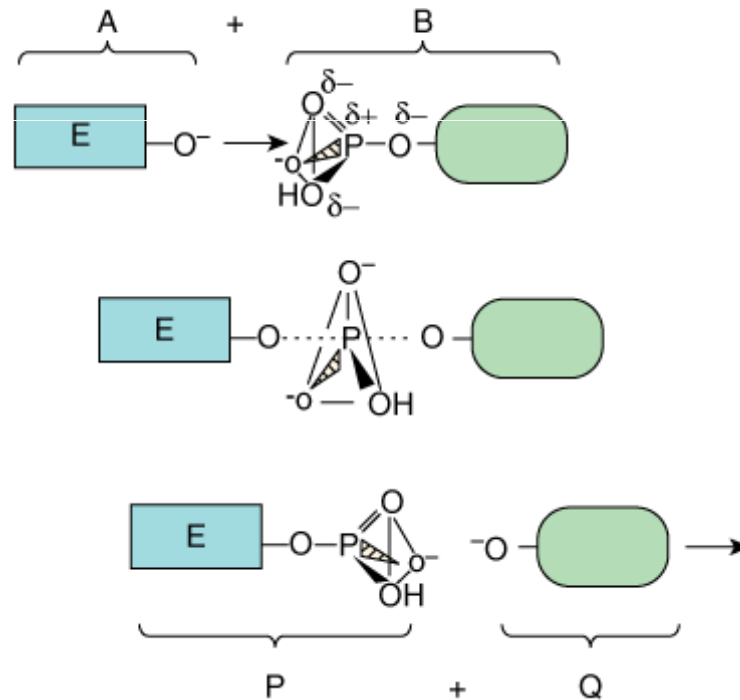
Reversible interactions in ES complex

- ▶ **Electrostatic interactions** (6 kJ/mol) depend on ionization groups electric charge of enzyme and substrate
- ▶ **H-bonds** between proton donor and proton acceptor
- ▶ **Van der Waals interactions** (2-4 kJ/mol) as a consequence of asymmetric arrangement of electronic cloud
- ▶ **Hydrophobic interactions:** association of non-polar molecules increases water entropy



Catalytic amino acid residues

- ▶ Participate in **CLEAVAGE** and **FORMING** of covalent bonds
- ▶ **Stabilize** transition state

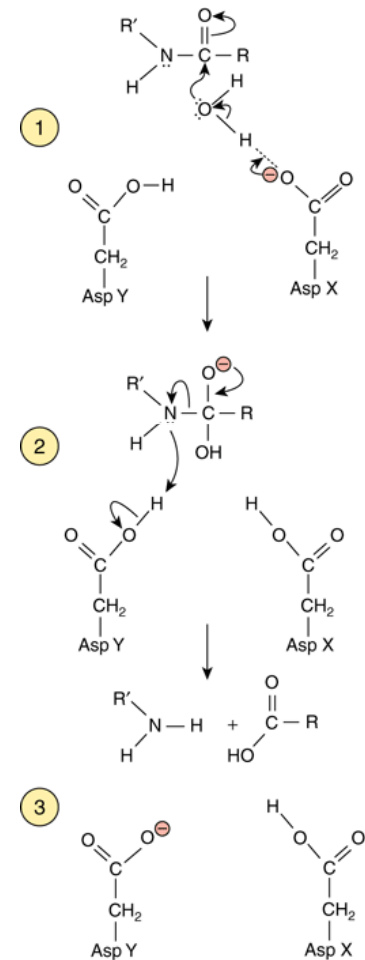


Enzymes employ multiple mechanisms to facilitate catalysis

► Acid-Base Catalysis

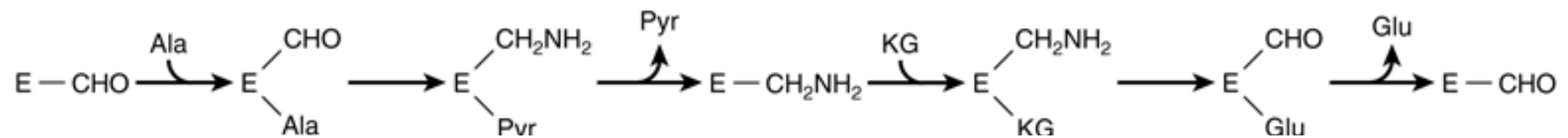
- proton transfer from the donor, or to proton acceptor, reduces the energy of the transition state

Mechanism for catalysis by an aspartic protease such as HIV protease



Covalent catalysis

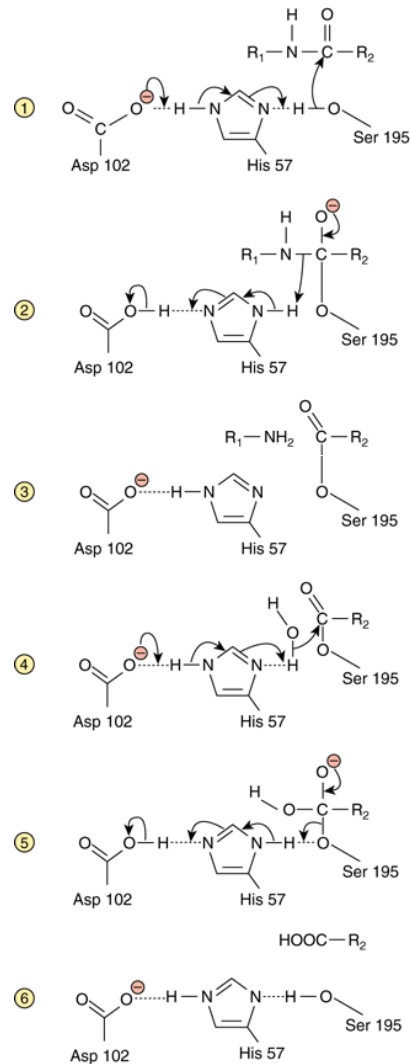
- during catalysis specific reactive groups in the active site of the enzyme is temporarily covalently modified



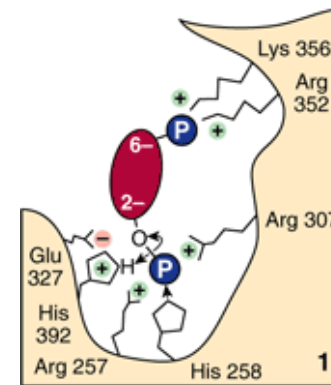
"Ping-pong" mechanism for transamination



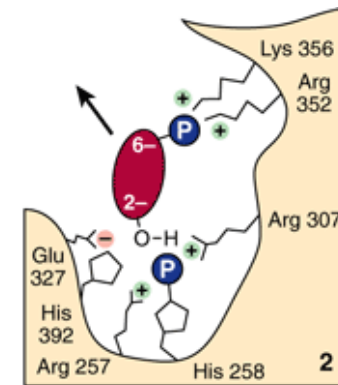
Covalent catalysis



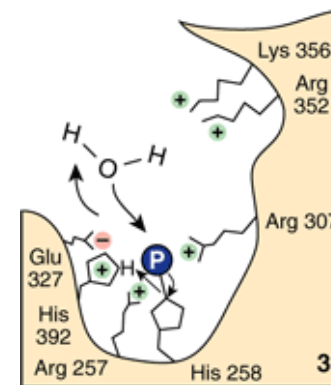
Catalysis by
chymotrypsin



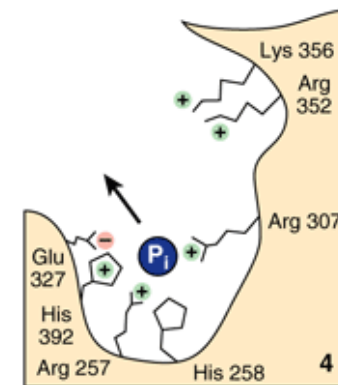
E • Fru-2,6-P₂



E-P • Fru-6-P



E-P • H₂O



E • P_i

Catalysis by fructose-2,6-bisphosphatase

Amino Acid Sequences in the Neighborhood of the Catalytic Sites of Several Bovine Proteases

Enzyme	Sequence Around Serine	Sequence Around Histidine
Trypsin	D S C Q D G G G P V V C S G	K V V S A A C Y K S G
Chymotrypsin A	S S C M G D G G P L V C K K	N V V T A A G G V T T
Chymotrypsin B	S S C M G D G G P L V C Q K	N V V T A A C G V T T
Thrombin	D A C E G D G G P F V M K S	P V L T A A C L L Y P

Catalytic residues are highly conserved



▶ Catalysis with metal ion

- electrophilic catalyst that stabilizes the negative charge

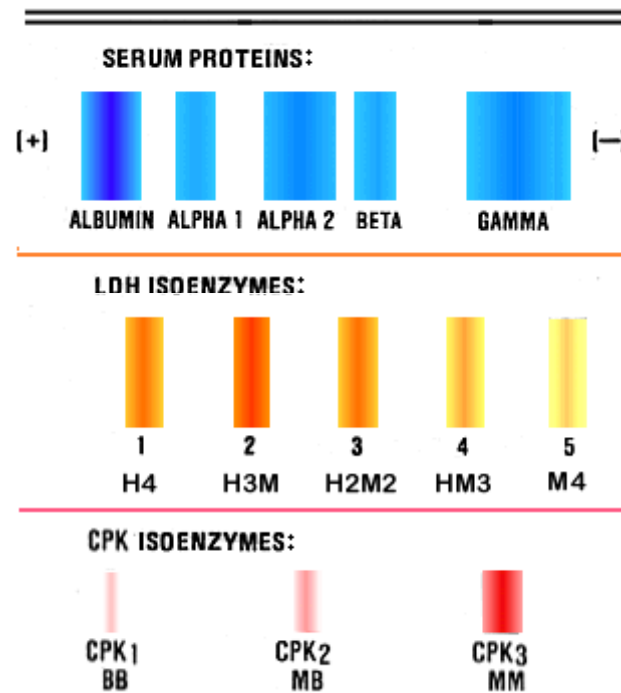
▶ Catalysis by Proximity

- reactants approaching accelerates the chemical reaction



Isozymes

- ▶ Distinct enzyme forms that catalyze the same reaction

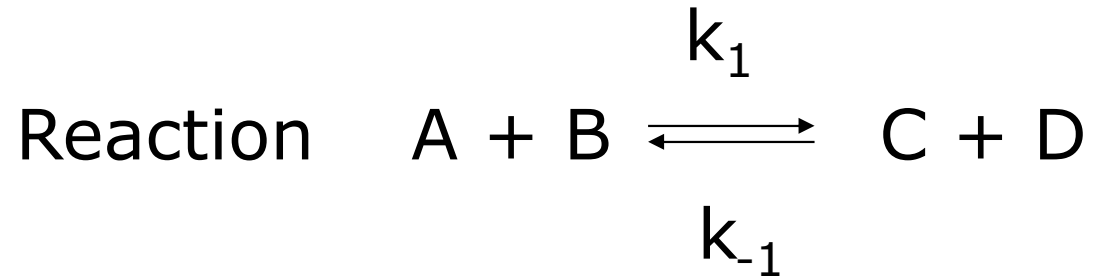


Enzyme kinetics

- ▶ Gives information of enzymatically catalyzed reaction **RATE**
- ▶ Measures enzyme **AFINITY** to substrate or inhibitor
- ▶ Provides insight to reaction **MECHANISM**



Enzymatic reaction RATE



Reaction rate = $k_1[A][B]$

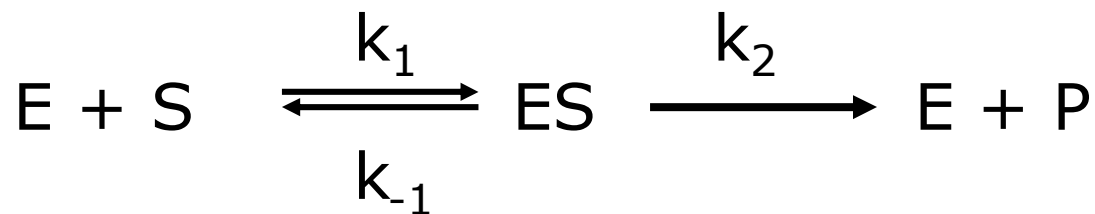
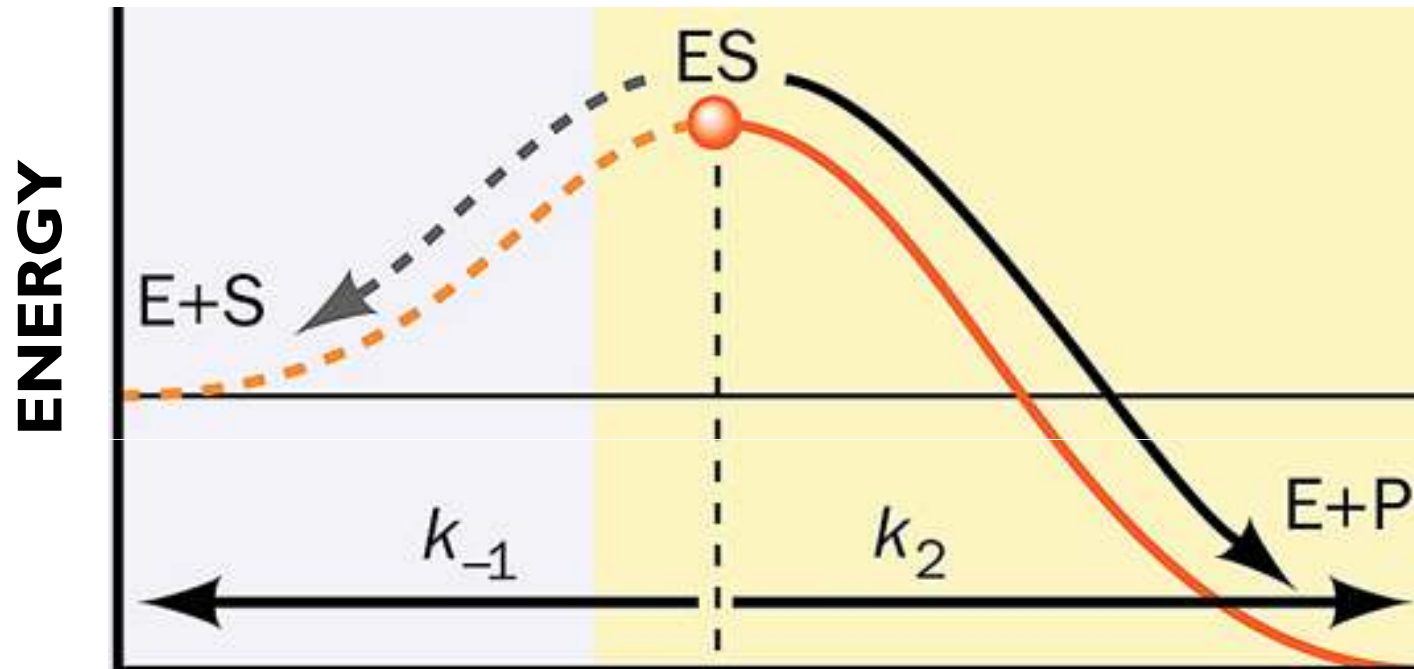
k_1 is reaction rate constant

Rate of reverse reaction = $k_{-1}[C][D]$

k_{-1} is reverse reaction rate constant



Simple model of enzymatically catalyzed reaction



$$V = k_2 [ES]$$

STEADY STATE

Concentration of intermediates isn't changing, while concentration of initial substances and product is changing

rate of ES formation = rate of ES dissociation

rate of ES formation

$$\frac{\Delta[\text{ES}]}{\Delta t} = k_1[\text{E}][\text{S}]$$

rate of ES dissociation

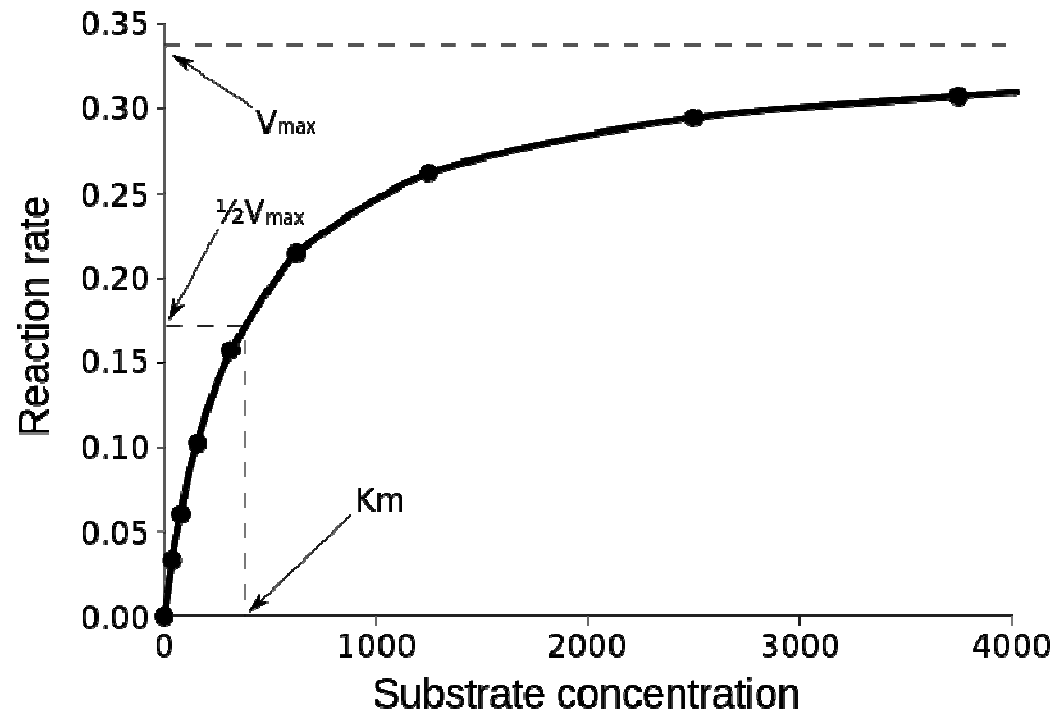
$$-\frac{\Delta[\text{ES}]}{\Delta t} = k_{-1}[\text{ES}] + k_2[\text{ES}]$$

$$k_1[\text{E}][\text{S}] = k_{-1}[\text{ES}] + k_2[\text{ES}]$$

$$[\text{ES}] = \frac{[\text{E}][\text{S}]}{k_{-1} + k_2/k_1}$$



The Michaelis–Menten equation



Reaction kinetics shows saturation – reaction reaches **MAXIMUM RATE**

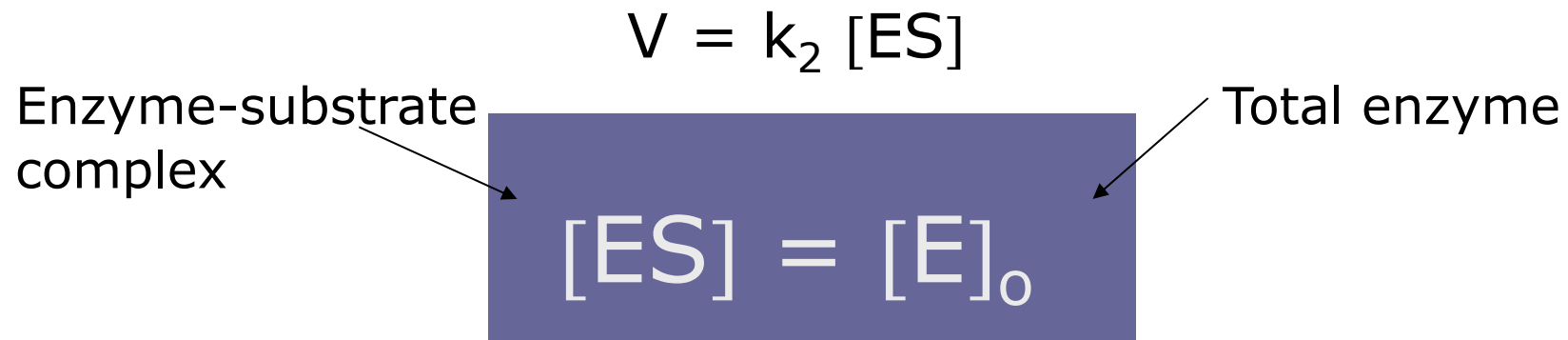
Michaelis-Menten equation

$$V_{\text{init}} = \frac{V_{\max}[S]}{K_M + [S]}$$

Michaelis constant

$$K_M = \frac{k_{-1} + k_2}{k_1}$$

Maximum reaction velocity



$$V_{\max} = k_2[E]_0$$

Maximum velocity V_{\max} is reached when all enzyme sites are **saturated** with substrate



Limiting case: value of k_2 is negligibly small

- ▶ k_2 determines total reaction rate

$$K_M = \frac{k_{-1} + k_2}{k_1}$$

When is $k_2 \ll k_{-1}$

$$K_M = \frac{k_{-1}}{k_1} = K_d \text{ (dissociation constant)}$$

K_M is equal to constant of dissociation of complex ES
if k_2 is much less than k_{-1}



K_M – measure of enzyme **afinity** to substrate

$$k_2 \ll k_{-1}$$

$$\frac{k_{-1}}{k_1} = K_M = K_d$$

K_d = dissociation constant

- ▶ **high K_M = weak enzyme afinity to substrate**
- ▶ **low K_M = strong enzyme afinity to substrate**



Change in velocity of enzymatically catalyzed reaction depending on substrate concentration

$$V_{\text{init}} = \frac{V_{\text{max}}[S]}{K_M + [S]}$$

$$K_M = [S]$$
$$V = V_{\text{max}}/2$$

$$K_M \gg [S]$$
$$V = V_{\text{max}}[S]/K_M$$

At low substrate concentration, velocity is linearly proportional to [S]

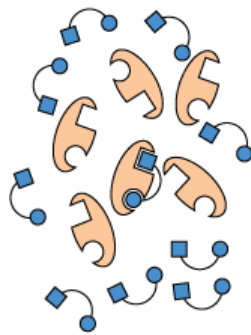
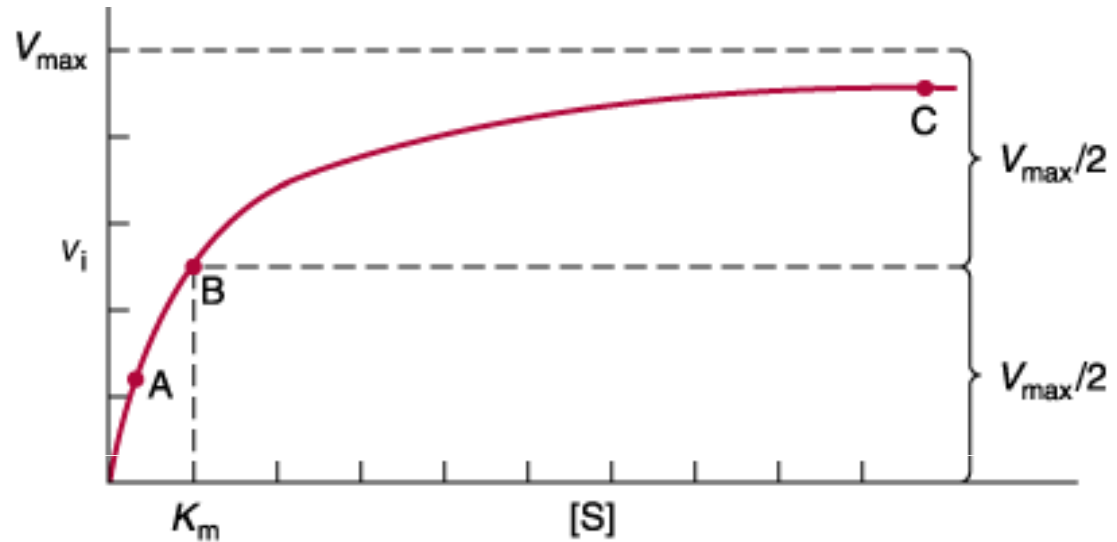
$$K_M \ll [S]$$
$$V = V_{\text{max}}$$

At high substrate concentration, velocity does not depend on [S]

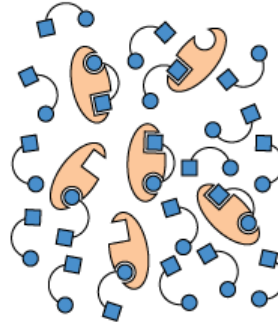


K_M value

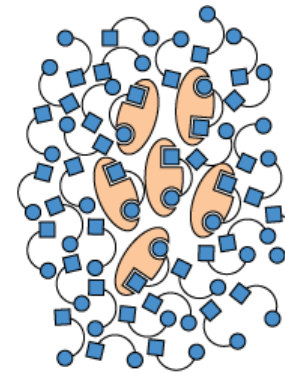
The Michaelis constant K_m is the substrate concentration at which v_i is half the maximal velocity ($V_{\max}/2$) attainable at a particular concentration of the enzyme



A



B

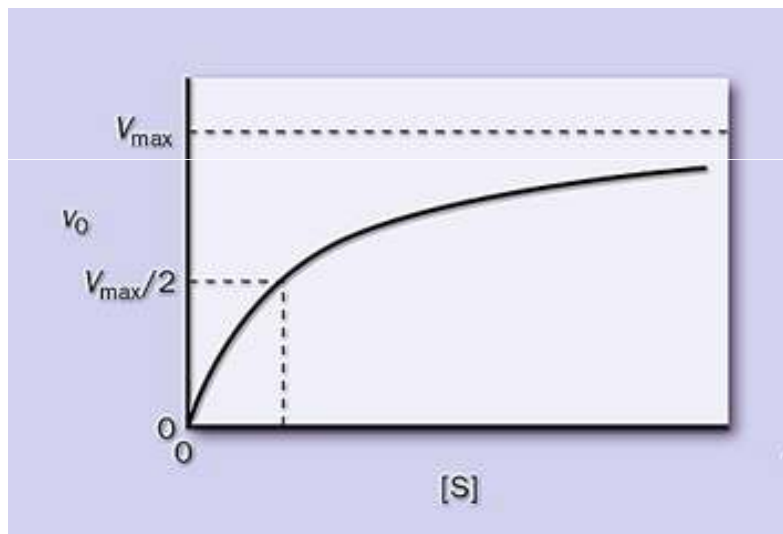


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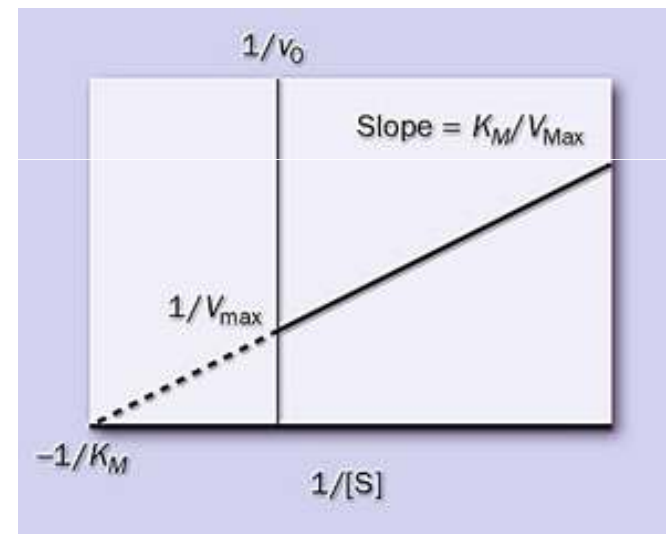
Determination of catalytic constants (V_{\max} and K_M) of enzymatically catalyzed reaction

$$V_{\text{init}} = \frac{V_{\max}[S]}{K_M + [S]}$$



Michaelis-Menten graph
hyperbolic curve
 v vs $[S]$

$$\frac{1}{V} = \frac{K_M}{V_{\max}} \frac{1}{[S]} + \frac{1}{V_{\max}}$$



Double reciprocal
Lineweaver-Burk graph
linear form
 $1/v$ vs $1/[S]$



Enzyme turnover number

$$k_{\text{cat}} = V_{\text{max}}/[E_o]$$

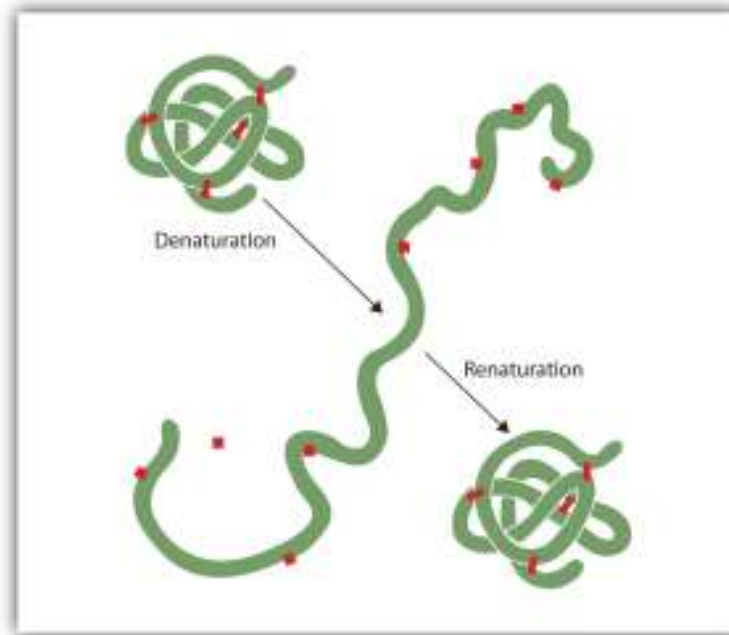
$$\text{unit: mol s}^{-1}/\text{mol} = \text{s}^{-1}$$

Moles of substrate turned to product in time unit (second) for mole of enzyme, when enzyme is completely saturated with substrate



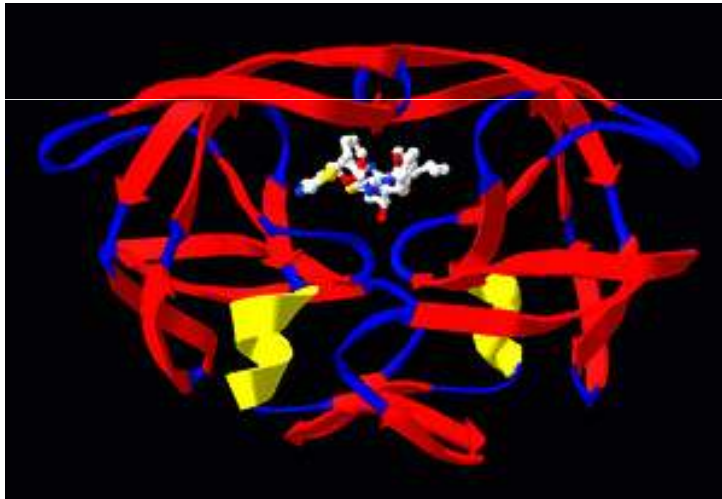
Enzymes are active when they are in native conformation

- ▶ Enzymes are sensitive to reaction conditions
- ▶ Enzymes lose activity in conditions of **extreme temperature**, **pH**, **ionic strength**, presence of **detergent** and other matters that **denature proteins**

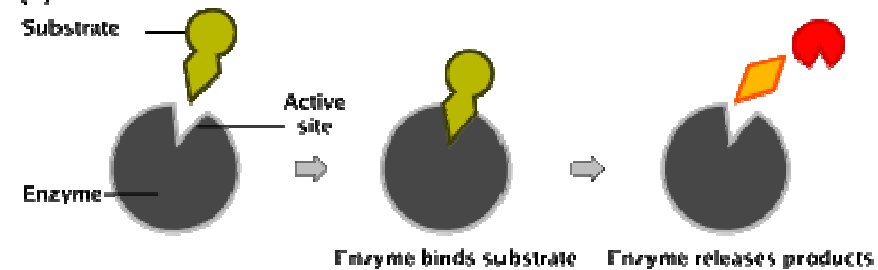


Inhibition of enzymatic activity

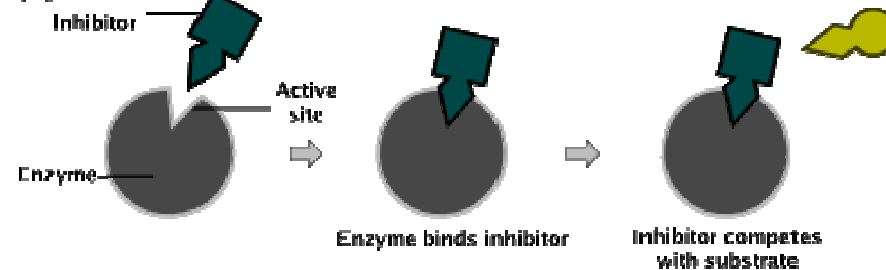
Enzyme activity can be inhibited by specific small molecules and ions



(a) Reaction



(b) Inhibition

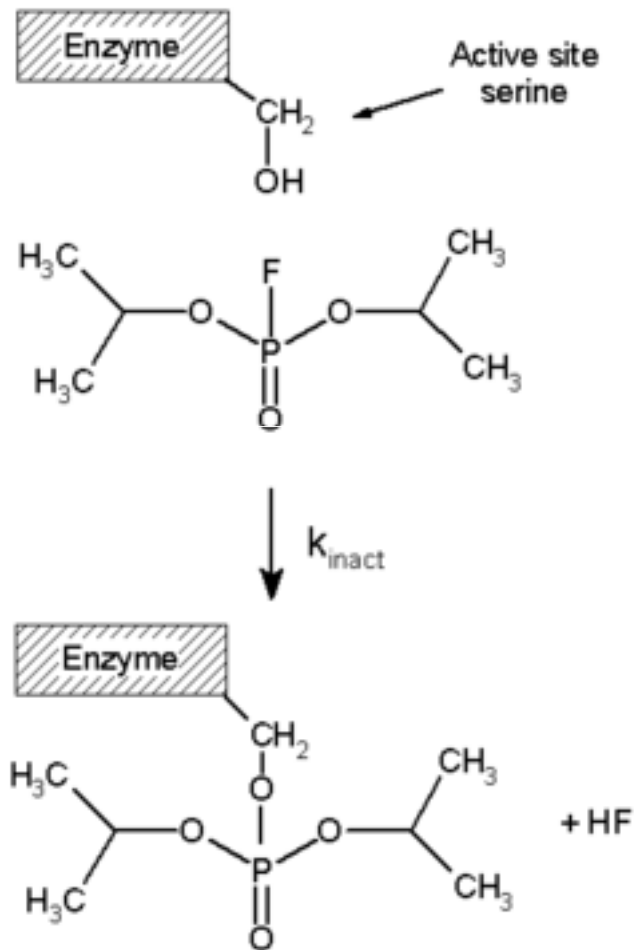


Irreversible inhibition is covalent modification of enzyme with inhibitor or tightly inhibitor binding in active site of enzyme

- ▶ **Group-specific reagents**
 - ▶ chemically modify amino acid residues in active site
- ▶ **Substrate analogs**
 - ▶ structurally similar to substrate
 - ▶ covalently modify amino acid residues in active site
- ▶ **Suicide inhibitors**
 - ▶ modified substrates
 - ▶ enzyme transforms them to reactive intermediate which inactivates enzyme by covalent modification

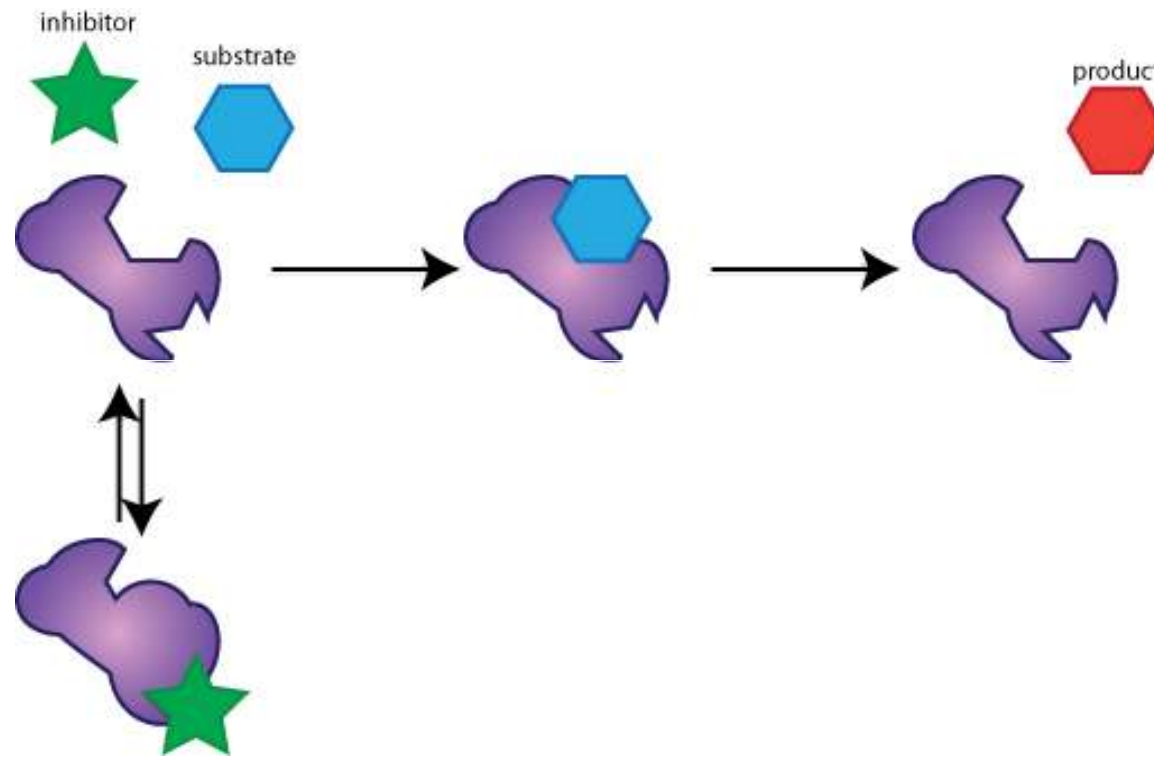


Irreversible inhibitor



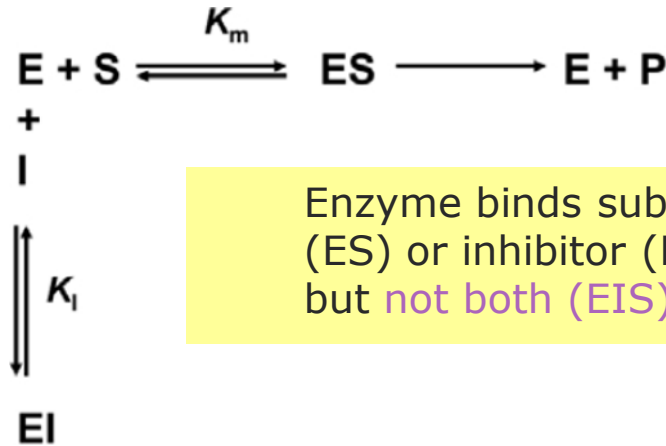
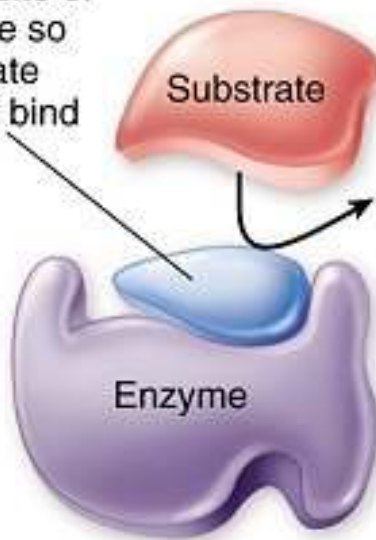
Reaction of the irreversible inhibitor
diisopropylfluorophosphate (DFP)
with a serine protease)
(chemical warfare)

Reversible inhibition is fast dissociation of
enzyme:inhibitor complex



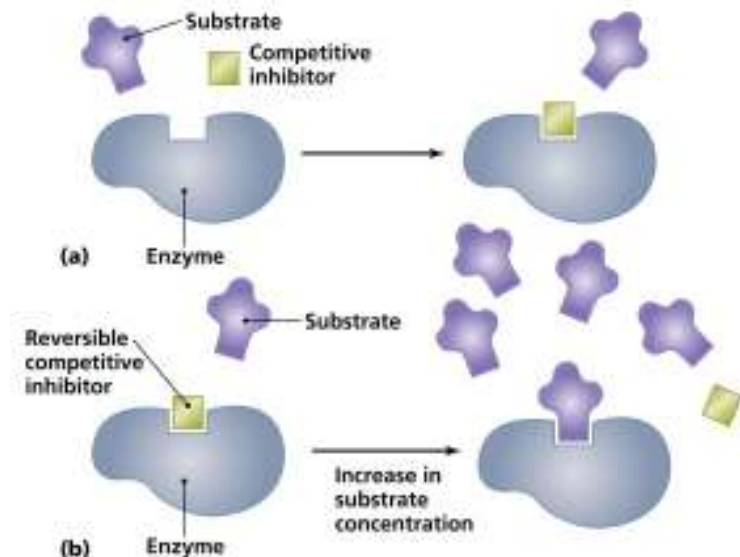
Competitive inhibition

Competitive inhibitor interferes with active site of enzyme so substrate cannot bind

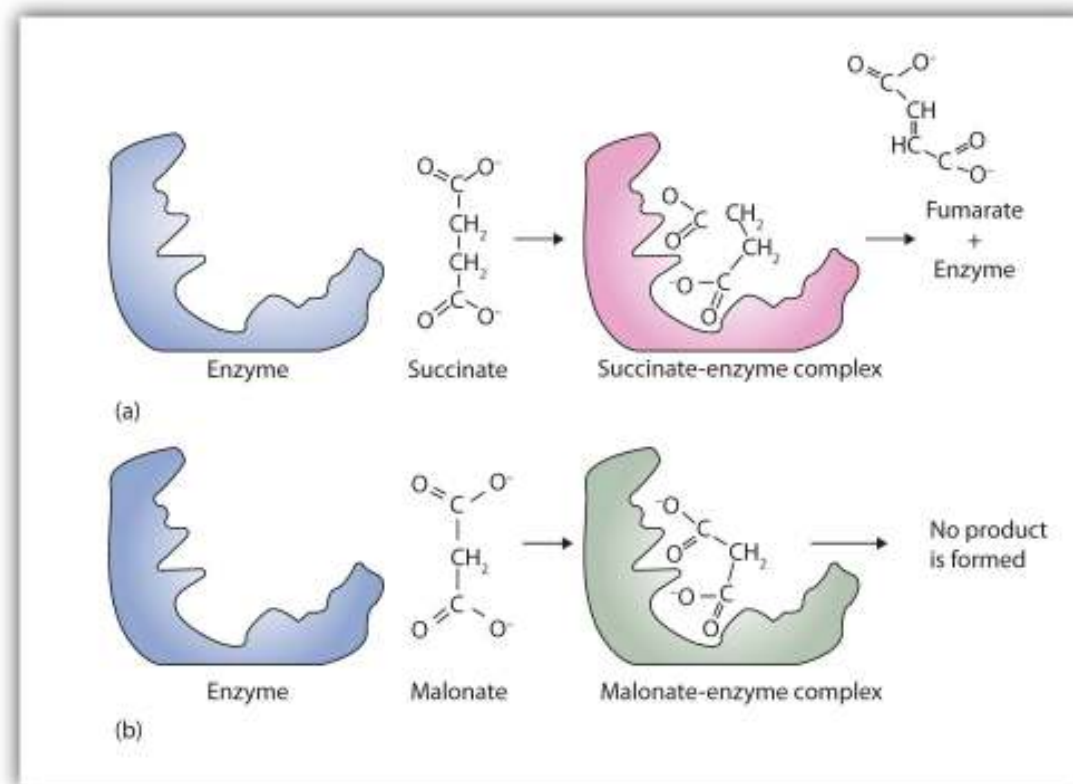
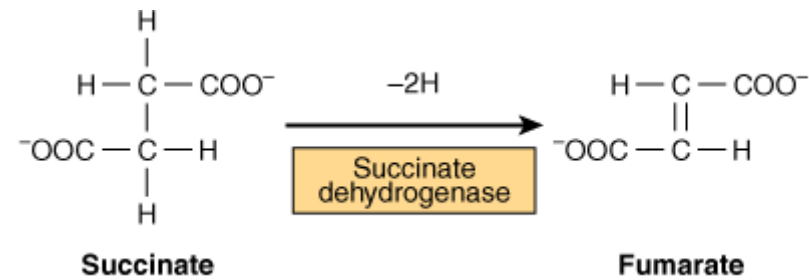


Enzyme binds substrate (ES) or inhibitor (EI), but **not both (EIS)**

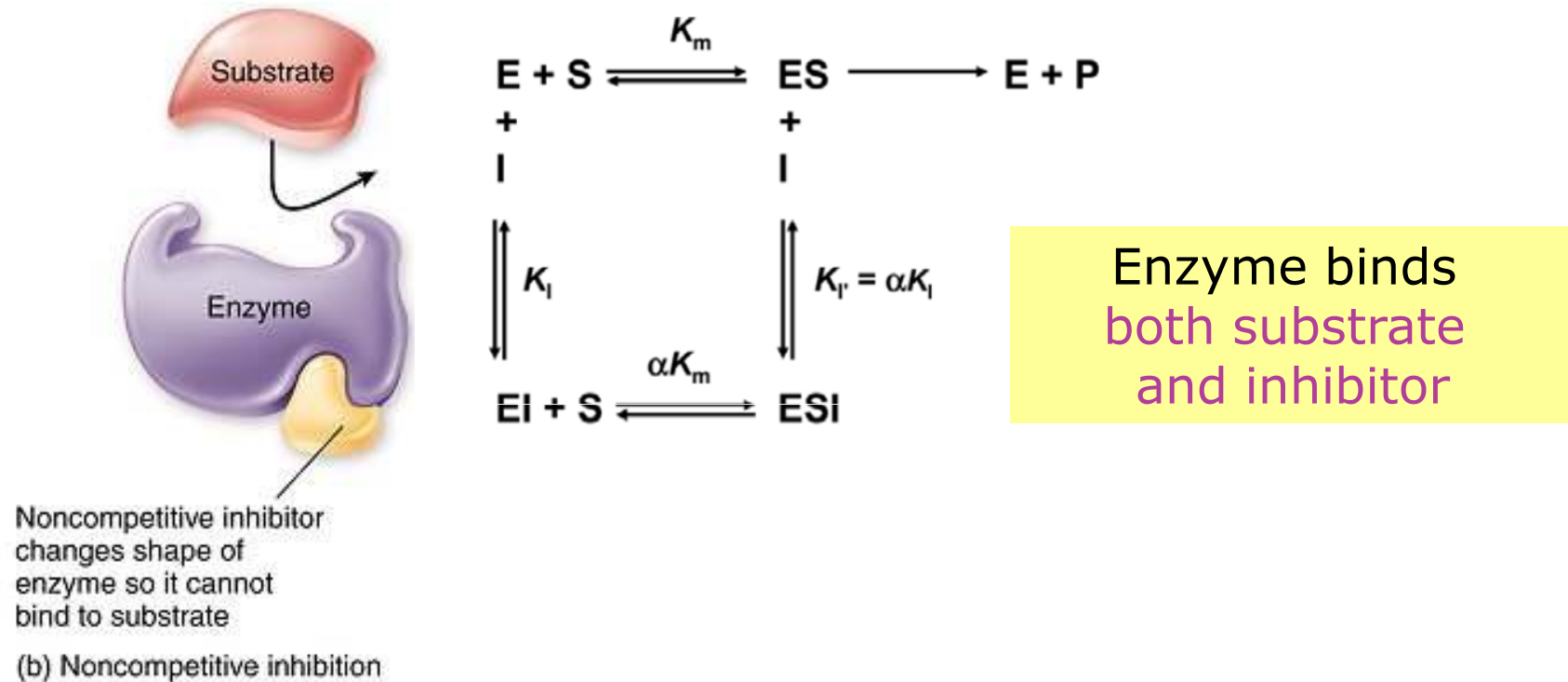
- ▶ Competitive inhibitor slows catalysis by decreasing the number of free enzyme molecules available to bind substrate
- ▶ Can be overcome with high substrate concentration



Example of competitive inhibition



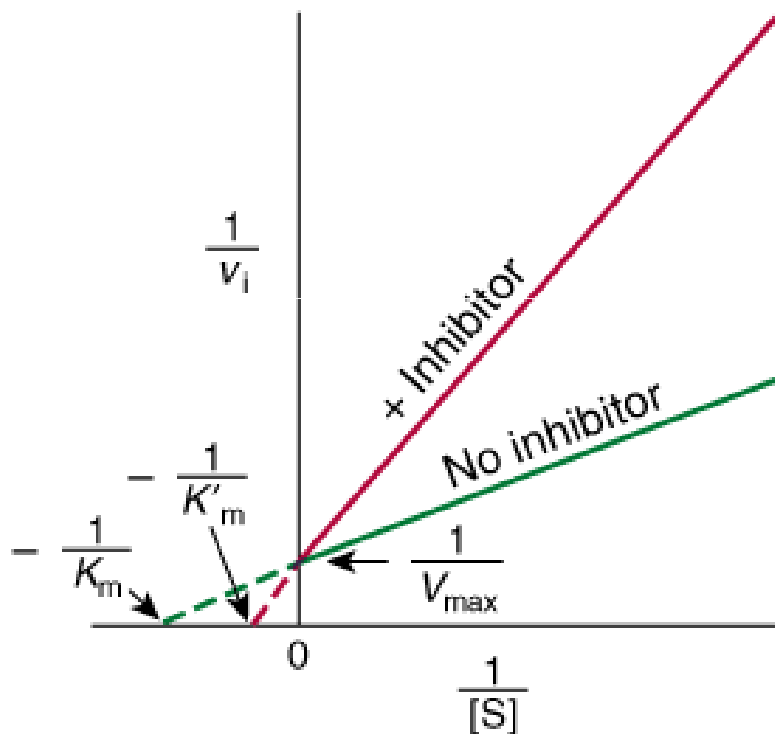
Noncompetitive inhibition



- Noncompetitive inhibitor decreases enzyme turnover number
- Can not be overcome by increasing the substrate concentration

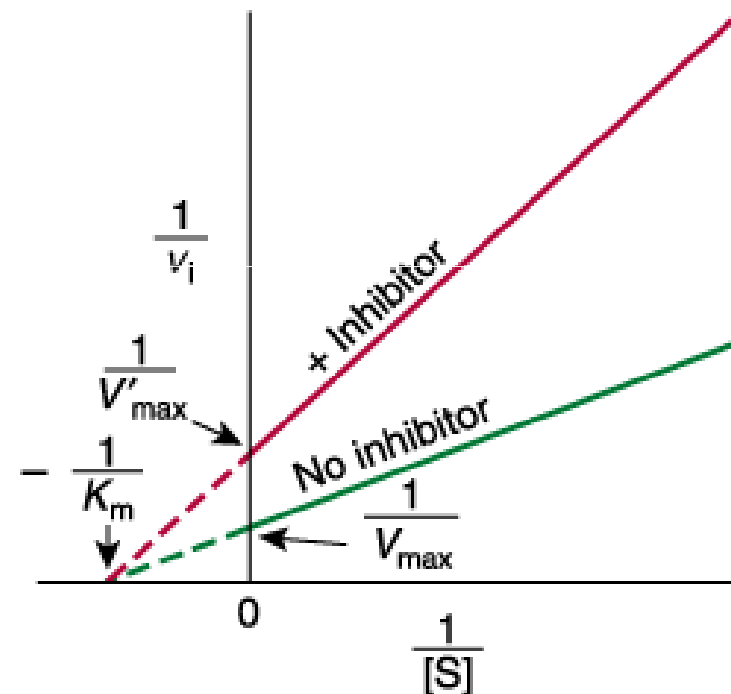
Competitive and noncompetitive inhibition can be distinguished by measuring the **reaction velocity** under different **concentrations of substrate and inhibitor**

competitive inhibitor



- does not affect V_{\max}
- raises apparent K_M for the substrate

noncompetitive inhibitor



- does not affect K_M
- decreases V_{\max}



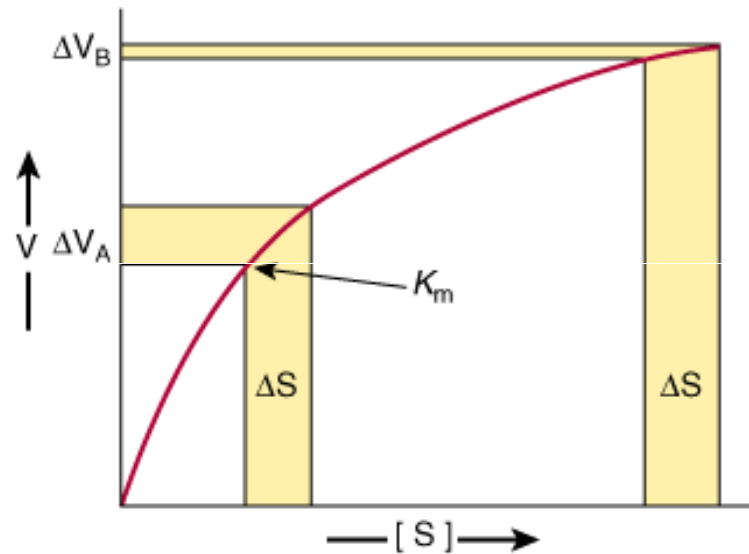


Enzymes

Regulation of activity

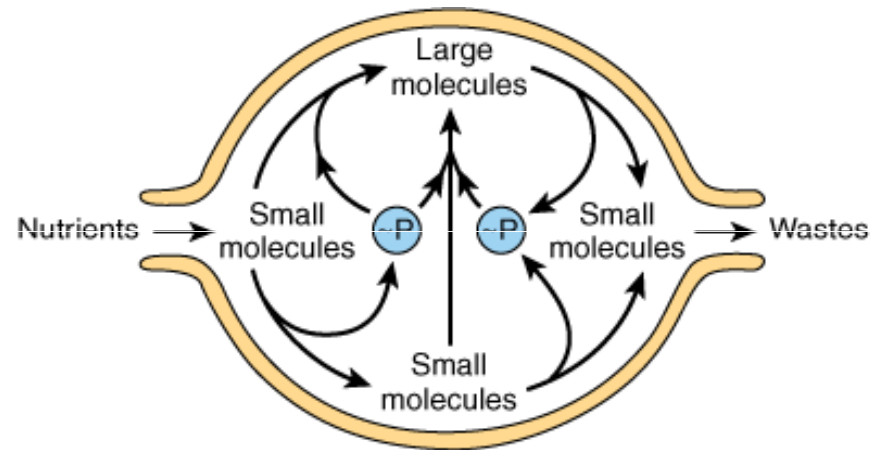
Regulation of metabolite flow can be active or passive

PASSIVE



maximal enzyme rate responds to changes in substrate level

ACTIVE



enzyme efficiency responds to internal and external signals



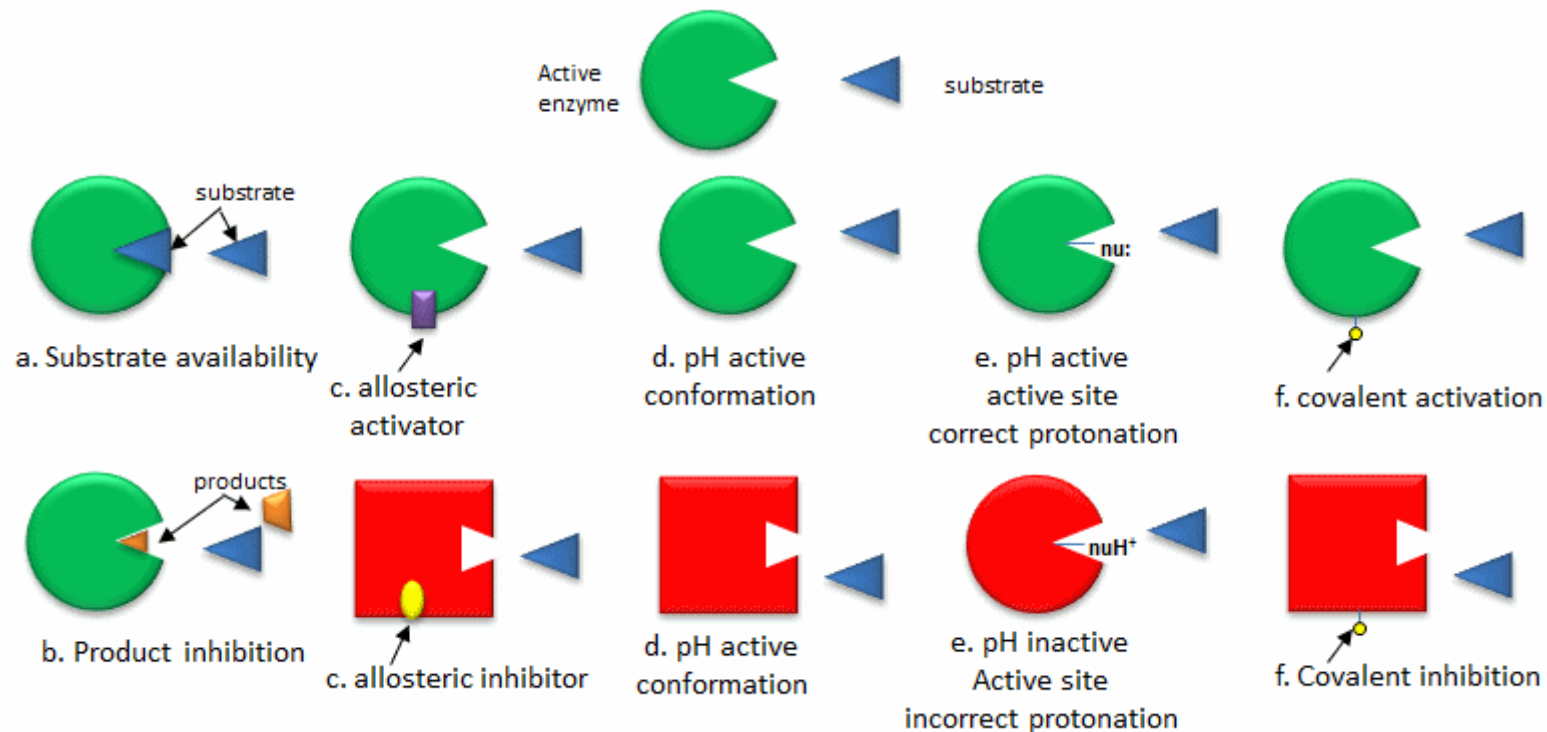
Regulations of enzyme activity

- ▶ *Change in the number of enzyme molecules*
 - ▶ **regulation of synthesis rate** (regulation of protein concentration by regulation of gene expression)
 - ▶ **regulation of degradation rate**
- ▶ *Change in the enzyme activity*
 - ▶ **activation of inactive precursor** by proteolysis
 - ▶ **reversible covalent modification:** groups binding
 - ▶ **inhibition by feedback** (inhibition by end product)
 - ▶ **allosteric regulation:** change in enzyme conformation by binding the regulatory molecules on site which is different of substrate binding site (activators, inhibitors)



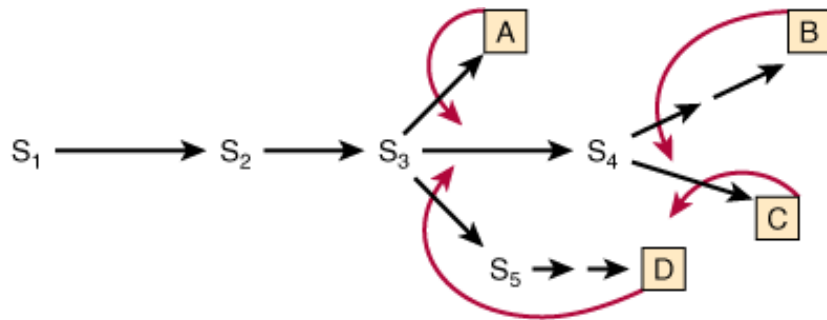
Regulating catalytic activity

- ▶ Allosteric regulation - binding of dissociable ligands
- ▶ Covalent modification

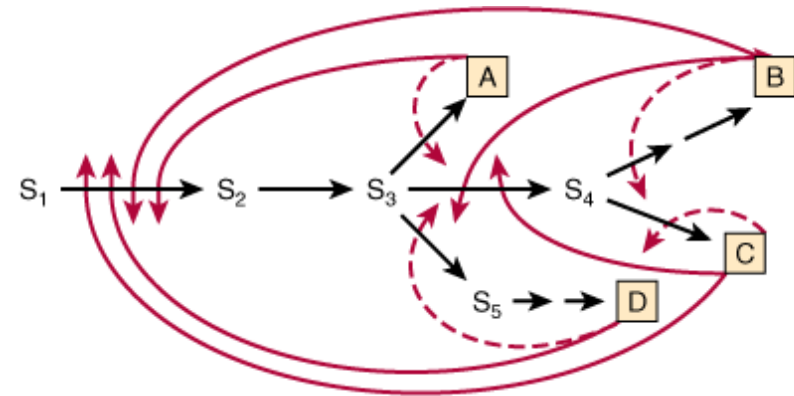


Feedback inhibition or inhibition by end product

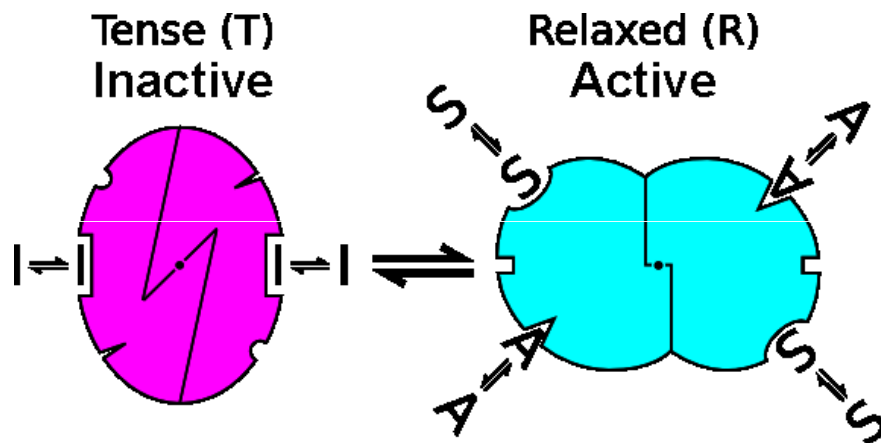
Sites of feedback inhibition in a branched biosynthetic pathway. S_1 – S_5 are intermediates in the biosynthesis of end products A–D. Straight arrows represent enzymes catalyzing the indicated conversions. Curved red arrows represent feedback loops and indicate sites of feedback inhibition by specific end products.



Multiple feedback inhibition in a branched biosynthetic pathway. Superimposed on simple feedback loops (dashed red arrows) are multiple feedback loops (solid red arrows) that regulate enzymes common to biosynthesis of several end products.



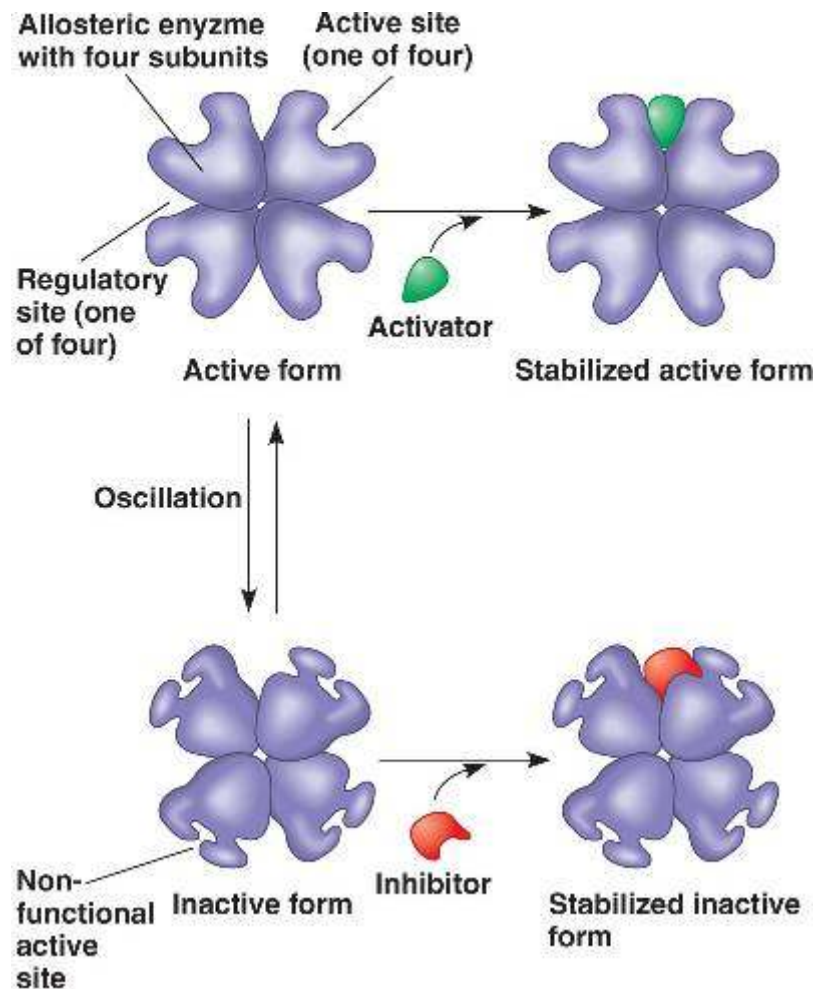
Allosteric enzymes



- ▶ Greek *allos* (other) *stereos* (shape)
- ▶ Regulatory enzymes – change the shape or conformation by binding the effectors
- ▶ Do not obey Michaelis-Menten kinetics
- ▶ Composed of few subunits
- ▶ Can exist in two states
 - ▶ R – relaxed state
 - ▶ T – tense state



Allosteric activation/inhibition



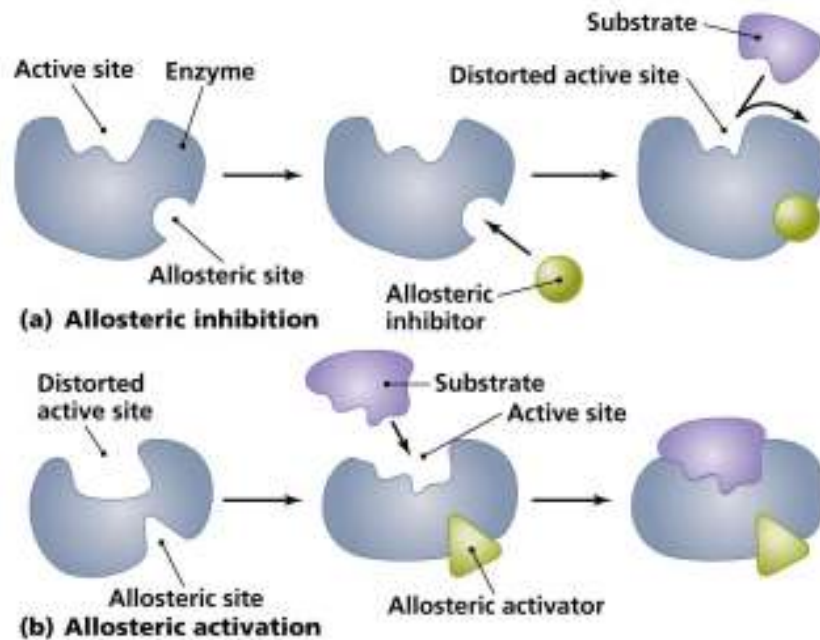
- ▶ **Allosteric activator:** shifts the conformational equilibrium towards the R (active) form

- ▶ **Allosteric inhibitor:** shifts the conformational equilibrium towards the T (inactive) form

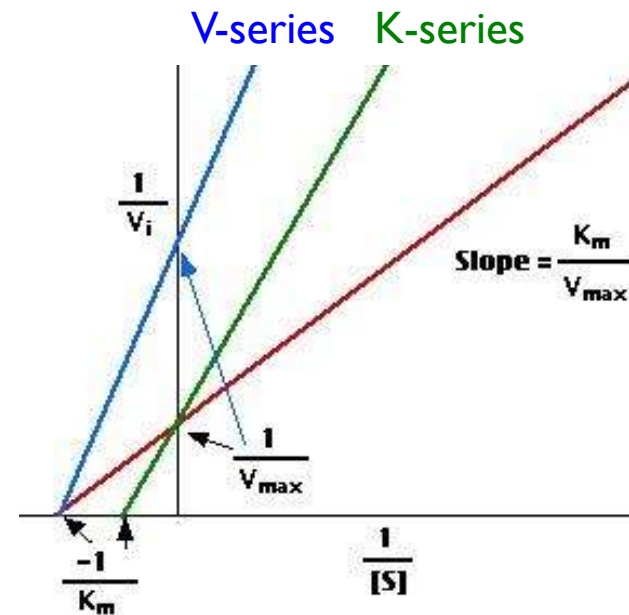
Allosteric enzymes

Allosteric & catalytic sites are spatially distinct

Allosteric effects may be on K_m or on V_{max}

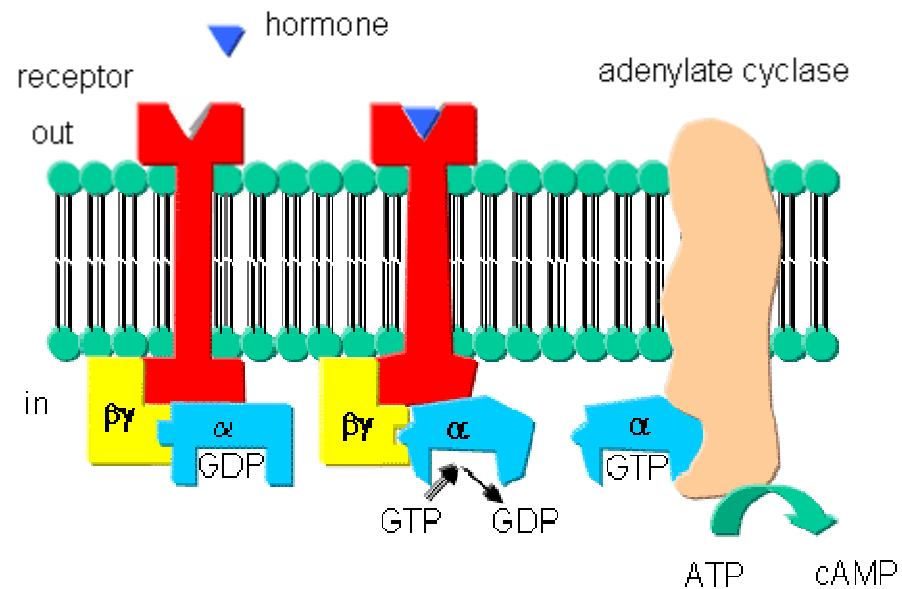


- ▶ **K-series** – increases K_m
- ▶ **V-series** – decreases V_{max}



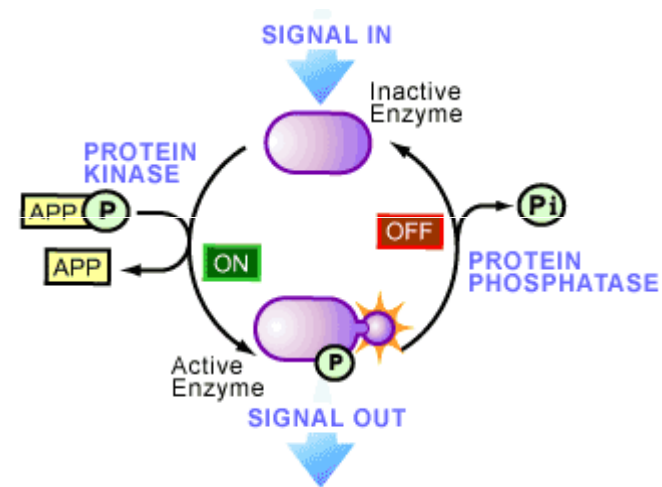
Allosteric second messengers

G protein activation of adenylate cyclase



Phosphorylation is very efficient way of enzyme activity regulation

- ▶ The most common form of the reversible regulation by **covalent modification**
- ▶ **Protein kinases phosphorylate** proteins and thus change their activity
- ▶ Usually phosphorylated are specific **Ser, Tyr or Thr** amino acid residue of target protein
- ▶ **Protein phosphatases dephosphorylate** proteins

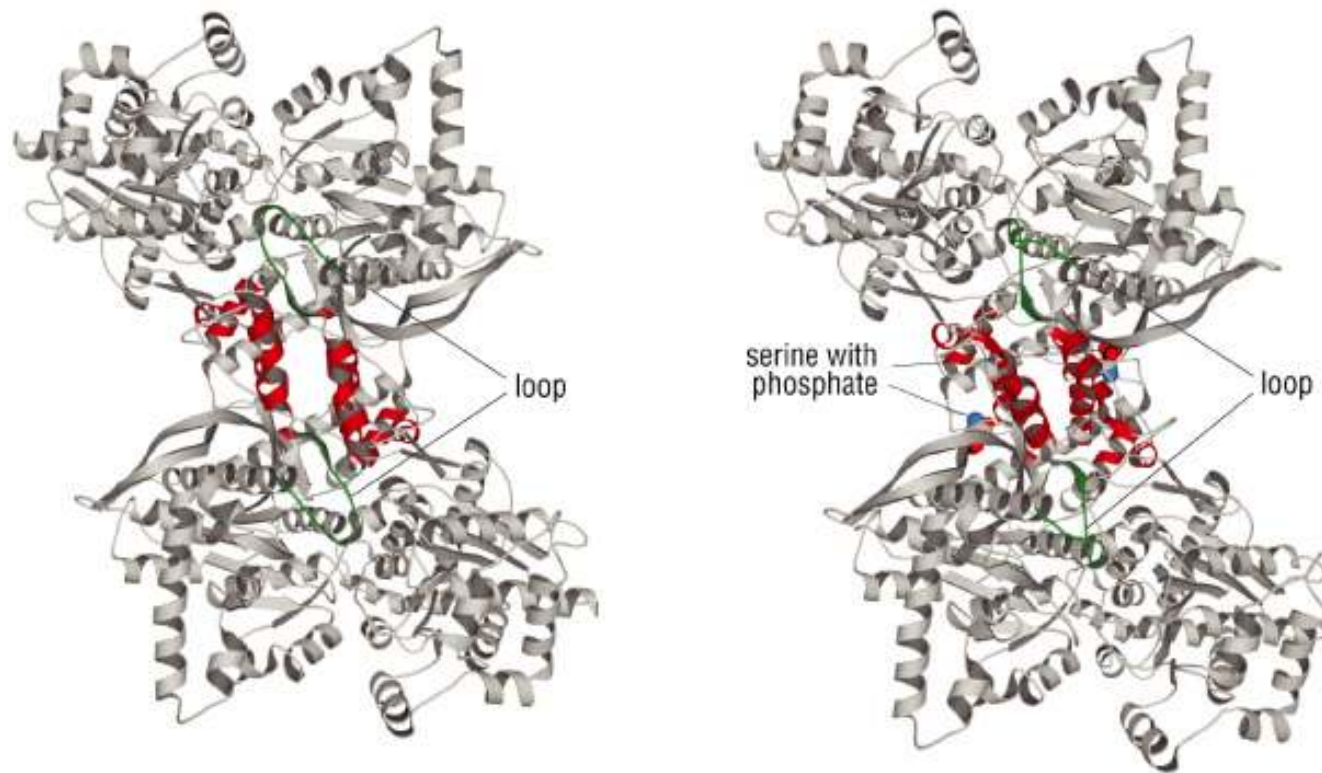


Examples of mammalian enzymes whose catalytic activity is altered by covalent phosphorylation-dephosphorylation

Enzyme	Activity State	
	Low	High
Acetyl-CoA carboxylase	EP	E
Glycogen synthase	EP	E
Pyruvate dehydrogenase	EP	E
HMG-CoA reductase	EP	E
Glycogen phosphorylase	E	EP
Citrate lyase	E	EP
Phosphorylase b kinase	E	EP
HMG-CoA reductase kinase	E	EP
Abbreviations: E, dephosphoenzyme; EP, phosphoenzyme.		



Glycogen phosphorylase is modified by phosphorylation of Ser14



Phosphorylation changes the enzyme conformation
and thus the enzyme activity

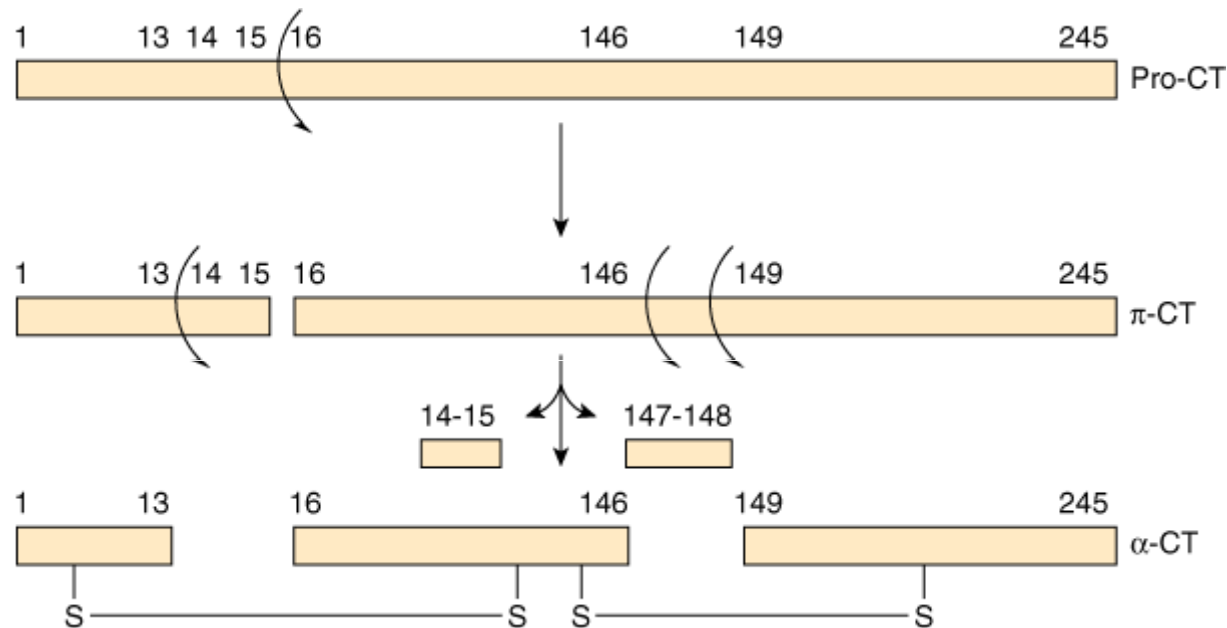


Zymogens (proenzymes) are
inactive precursors of enzymes

Synthesis site	Zymogen	Active enzyme
Stomach	Pepsinogen	Pepsin
Pancreas	Chymotrypsinogen	Chymotrypsin
Pancreas	Trypsinogen	Trypsin
Pancreas	Procarboxypeptidase	Carboxypeptidase
Pancreas	Proelastase	Elastase



Activation of enzyme requires selective proteolysis

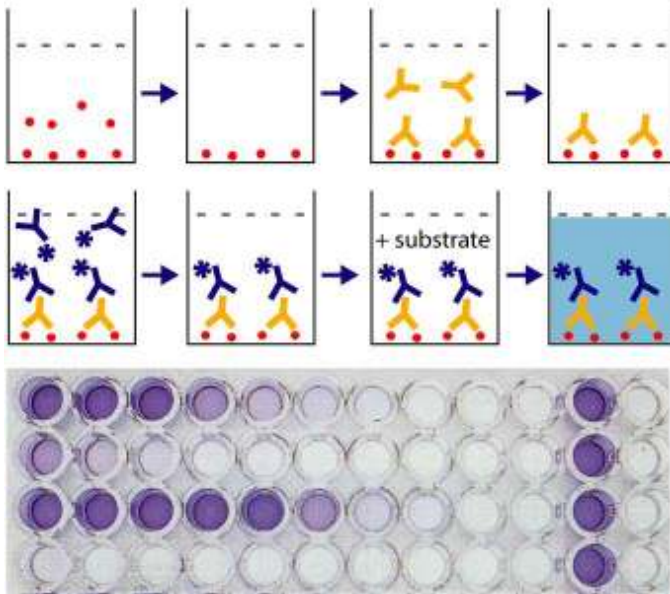


Successive proteolysis forms prochymotrypsin (pro-CT), π -chymotrypsin (π -Ct), and ultimately α -chymotrypsin (α -CT), an active protease whose three peptides (A, B, C) remain associated by covalent inter-chain disulfide bonds.

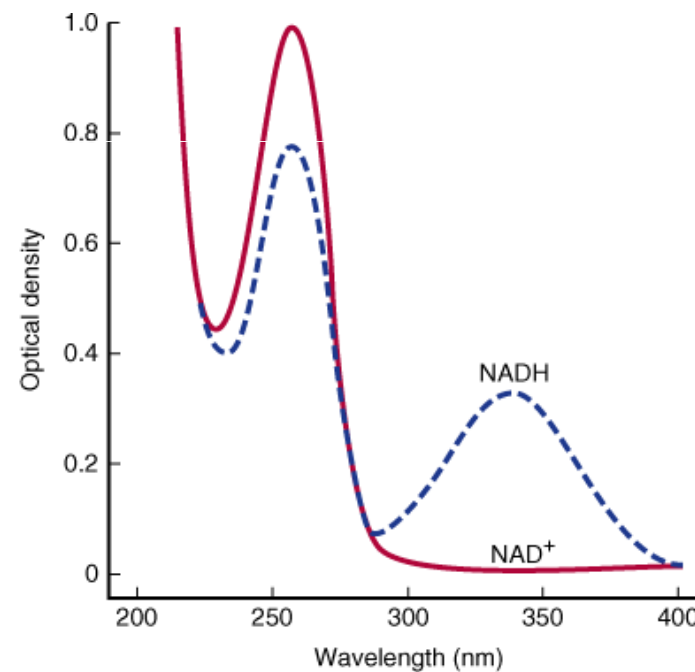


The catalytic activity of enzymes

- ▶ The catalytic activity of enzymes reveals their **presence**, facilitates their **detection**, and provides the basis for **enzyme-linked immunoassays (ELISA)**



- ▶ Many enzymes can be assayed **spectrophotometrically** by coupling them to an NAD(P)⁺-dependent dehydrogenase.



High-throughput screening

- ▶ Combinatorial chemistry generates extensive libraries of potential enzyme activators and inhibitors that can be tested



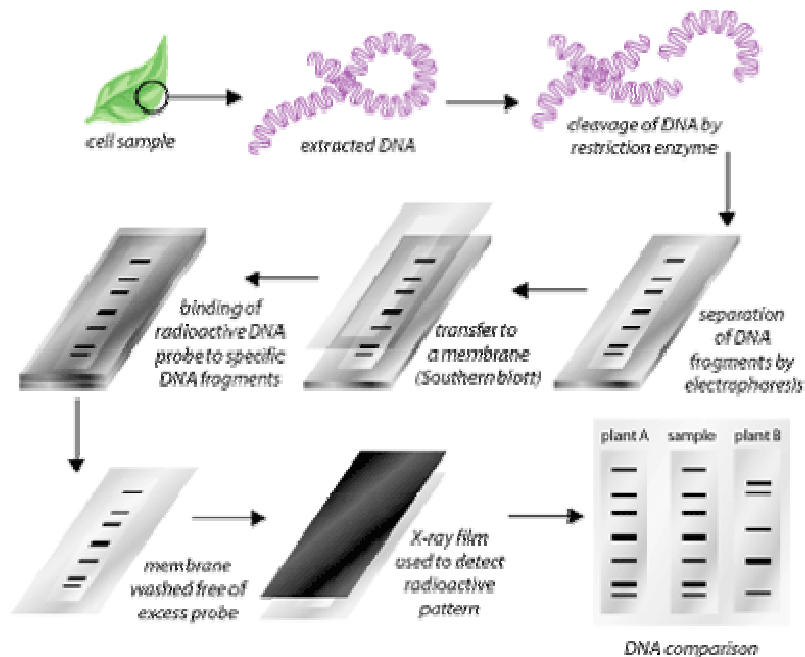
Principal serum enzymes used in clinical diagnosis

Serum Enzyme	Major Diagnostic Use
Aminotransferases	
Aspartate aminotransferase (AST, or SGOT)	Myocardial infarction
Alanine aminotransferase (ALT, or SGPT)	Viral hepatitis
Amylase	Acute pancreatitis
Ceruloplasmin	Hepatolenticular degeneration (Wilson's disease)
Creatine kinase	Muscle disorders and myocardial infarction
-Glutamyl transferase	Various liver diseases
Lactate dehydrogenase isozyme 5	Liver diseases
Lipase	Acute pancreatitis
Phosphatase, acid	Metastatic carcinoma of the prostate
Phosphatase, alkaline (isozymes)	Various bone disorders, obstructive liver diseases



Enzymes facilitate diagnosis of genetic and infectious diseases

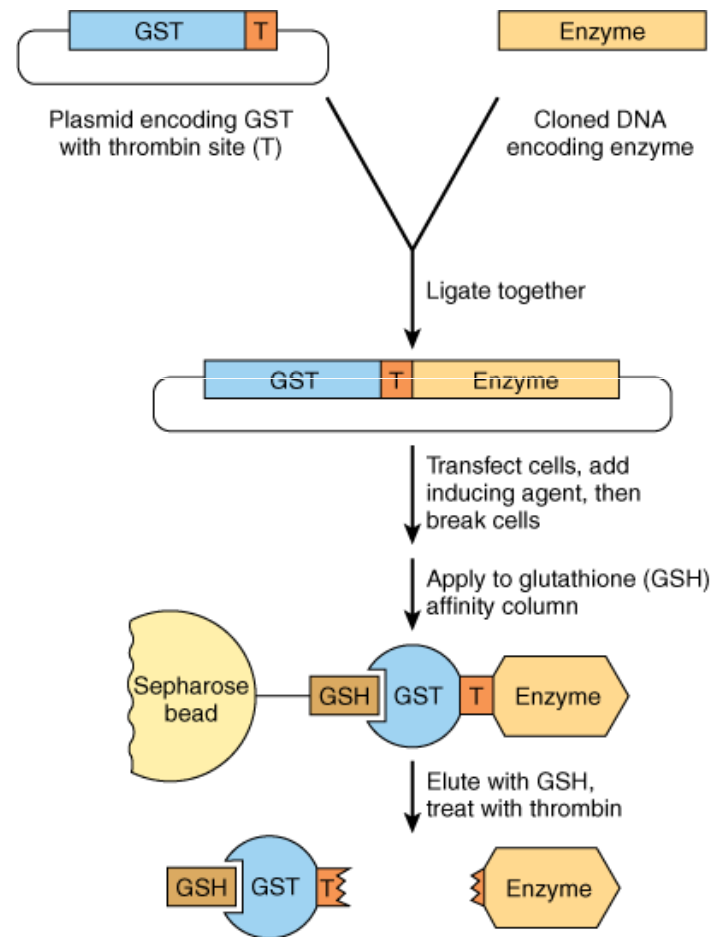
RFLP



PCR



Recombinant DNA provides an important tool for studying enzymes



Ribozymes

- ▶ Several ribozymes can cut and re-splice the phosphodiester bonds of RNA.
- ▶ In the ribosome rRNA is primarily responsible for catalysis

