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## Plant Physiology

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المرحلة الثانية  
المحاضرة 1

علم البيئة النباتية  
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تتم المحاضرة الدرس التالي

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الله عاونه



Plant Physiology :

Plant physiology is science concerning the functions of living things (systems).  
 Physiology derives from "Ancient Greek":  
 Physis is meaning "nature, origin"  
 and Logia, means "The study of".  
 Plant physiology is studying all functions of cells, parts and organs in living systems.

Plant cell :Functions and Roles of Plant cell :

Part	Function(s)
* Nucleus	Contains genetic materials (Chromosomes, Nucleic acids)
* Cell membrane	Movement of substances
* Mitochondria	Energy houses
* Ribosomes	Synthesis proteins
* Cell wall	Strengthens the cell
* Chloroplasts	Absorption light energy for Photosynthesis

Essential Biomolecules :

Macromolecule : A molecule having molecular weight ranging from few thousands to many millions.

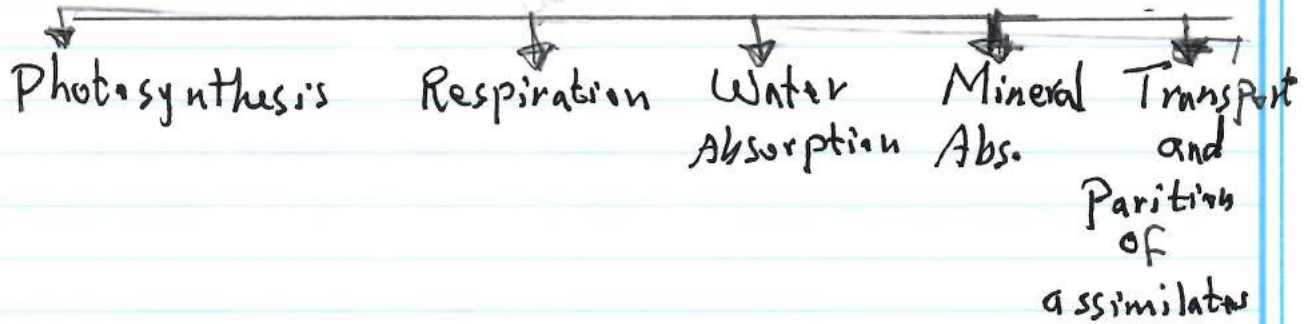
Micromolecule	Atomic Chemical Composition	Example	Macro-molecules
* Amino acids	C, H, N, O, (S)	Alanine, Tryptophane	Protein
* Carbohydrates	C, H, O	Glucose, fructose Ribose	Starch, Chitin, Pectin
* Glycerol, fatty acids	C, H, O, (N, P)	Glycerides, Palmitic, Stearic, linolenic acids	Lipids (Waxes) Fats, oils
* Purines	C, H, O, N	Adenine, Guanine	
* Pyrimidines	C, H, O, N	Cytosine, Uracil, Thymine	
* Nucleosides	C, H, O, N	Adenosine, Guanosine, Cytidine, Uridine, Thymidine	Nitrogenous Bases + Saccharides (Ribose)
Nucleotides	C, H, O, N, P	Nucleic acid for example [Nitrogenous bases + Sugar (ribose) + phosphoric acid]	DNA, RNA
Nucleotides	C, H, O, N, P	ATP ADP AMP	Adenosine triphosphates = di = = mono =



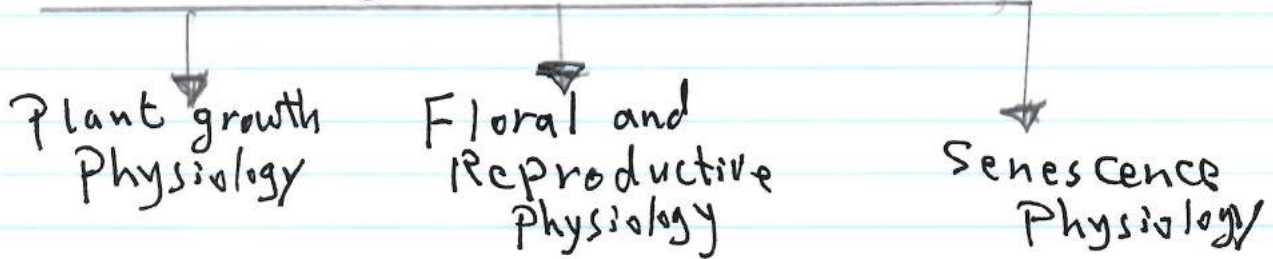
Plant Physiology

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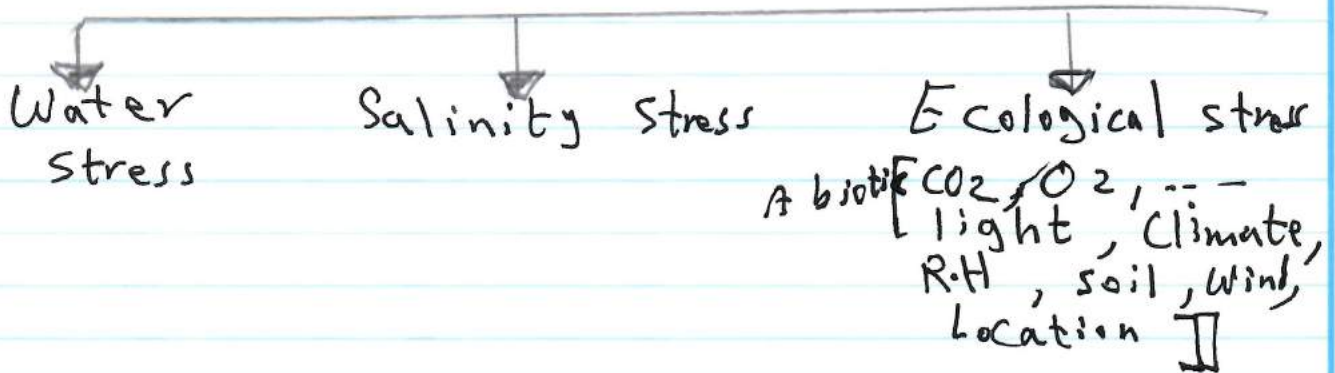
① Metabolism Physiology → deals with



② Integrating Physiology deals with

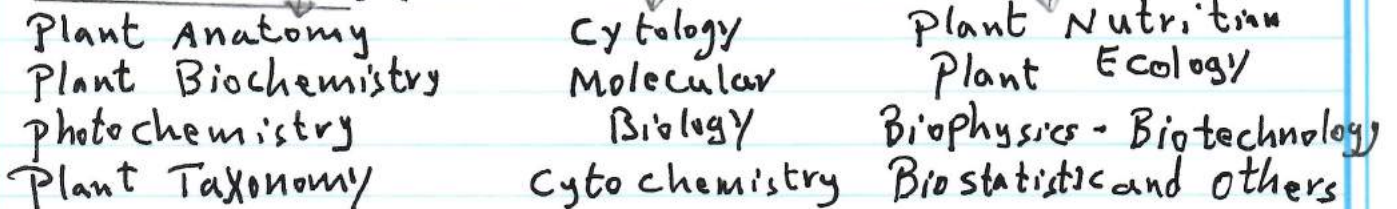


③ Stress Physiology: It is concerning of



Plant Physiology is related to Many

Sciences as:



Historic Era of Plant Physiology① Ancient Era :

- \* Fernel, a French physician introduced the term "Physiology" in 1525.
- \* Carlus Linnaeus (1707-1778) who ushered in a new era of plant taxonomy

② Modern History

- \* Schleiden and Schwann (Cell Theory)

Transpiration:

Sayre (stomata mechanism)  
Steward (= )

Water and Nutrient Absorption

- \* Dixon and Jolly (Cohesion-Tension Theory)
- \* Hoagland (Nutrient solutions, Hydroponics)
- \* Jenny (Contact Theory)
- \* Hales (Root pressure)

Respiration:

- \* Buchner (Fermentation) \* Warburg (Respiration rate)
- \* Embden-Myerhof-Parnas (EMP) (Glycolysis)
- \* Krebs (Citric acid cycle)

Enzymes and Plant Hormones

- \* Michales and Menton (Enzyme kinetics)
- \* Sachs (plant growth hormones)
- \* Kogl, Haagen and Smith (Plant hormones)
- \* Sumner (Enzyme)

Photosynthesis:

- \* Calvin (cycle, C<sub>3</sub> plants cycle)
- \* Slack and Hatch (C<sub>4</sub> plants cycle)
- \* Einstein (Photochemical reactions)



## Water and Water Relations:

Table 1. Physicochemical properties of water

Property	Value
Melting point	$273.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ (Kelvin) ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
Boiling point	$373.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ (=) ( $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
Density	0.999 g/ml at $273.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) 1.000 g/ml at $277.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $4^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
Molar heat of fusion	6.00 KJoule/mol. ( $\text{KJ mol}^{-1}$ )
Dielectric constant	78.54 (at $298.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )) dimensionless
Viscosity	0.01 Poise at $293.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
Surface Tension	72.75 dyne/cm at $293.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
Diffusion Coefficient	$2.4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2/\text{sec}$ $2.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$ } at $298.15^{\circ}\text{K}$ ( $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

Water :

Water is considered of 65 to 95% of plant composition. Sometimes reached it up to more 95% of special plants and fruits. The percentage of water content is approximately 10% in plant seeds.

Water compose by two hydrogen (H) atoms and one oxygen (O) atom (see Fig-1). The distance between O and H atoms is approximately  $1.05 \text{ \AA}$  ( $\text{Angstrom (A)} = 0.1 \text{ nm}$ ) =  $0.105 \text{ nanometer (nm)} \rightarrow \text{nm} = 10^{-9} \text{ m}$ . Under acidic conditions (Low pH), meanwhile the value is  $0.85 \text{ \AA}$  (=  $0.085 \text{ nm}$ ) under alkaline conditions.

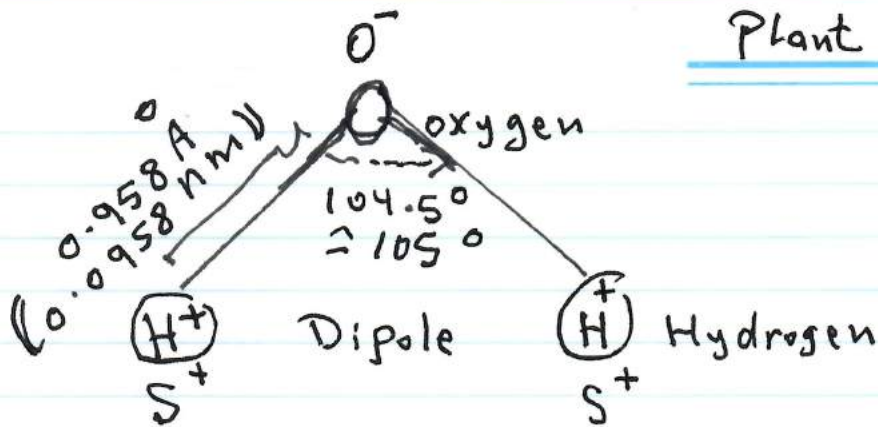


Fig. 1. Water Composition

### Water Bonds and Its Criteria:

- ① covalent bonds (Its energy equal to 110 Kcal/mole)
- ② Hydrogen bonds (Its = = = 4.5-10 = )
- ③ Water Dipolar  
This criterion very important as solvent and its roles in diffusion, osmosis and imbibition.
- ④ Heat of fusion (80 cal./g = ? KJ/mole)
- ⑤ Because of water density at 4°C ((277.15° K)) is 1 g/ml (1g/c.c.) causing raises the ice on water surfaces (Rivers, seas, oceans), this phenomenon is very important for organisms life.

### Water Structure Molecules:

Two theories of water structure molecules are explained as:

- ① - Distorted Theory جزئيات الماء غير منتظمة  
نتيجة لتأثير الهيدروجين المتحركة بدرجة كبيرة



## ②. Flickering Theory (Clustered Theory)

جزئیات کارهای این تئوری در کتاب فیزیولوژی گیاهان



Fig. 2 -  
Flickering Theory

## Diffusion

In diffusion solutes (solvents) (gas, liquid, and solid) move freely from an area of higher concentration (Higher kinetic energy) to an area of lower concentration (Lower kinetic energy), which eventually results in equal distribution of solute (liquid) within two areas. The diffusion force is known as diffusion pressure.

The rate of diffusion increases if,

- ① the diffusion pressure gradient is steeper
- ② the temperature is increased
- ③ the density of the diffusing particles is lesser
- ④ the medium through which diffusion occurs is less concentrated.

Liquid Diffusion :

The phenomenon of liquid diffusion depends on Fick's law as follow :

$$\text{Rate of diffusion} = \frac{dn}{dt} \propto -A \frac{dc}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dn}{dt} = -DA \frac{dc}{dx}$$

whereas,  $D$  is the diffusion coefficient

The units of  $D$  are  $\text{cm}^2/\text{sec}$  ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{sec}^{-1}$ ),  $\text{m}^2/\text{sec}$  ( $\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ). The negative sign indicates that the diffusion proceeds from higher to lower concentration. This means that the concentration gradient is negative in the diffusion direction.

Diffusion of Gases :

Gases have known as lowest matter state to resist molecules diffusion. This mechanism is due to large distance occurs between gas molecules as compared to the liquid and solid forms of the water Fig.3.

Graham's law consider the relation between diffusion rate and gas density according to the following :

$$\frac{R_{g1}}{R_{g2}} = \frac{\sqrt{M_2}}{\sqrt{M_1}}$$

whereas  $R_{g1}$  = Diff. rate of gas 1

$R_{g2}$  = Diff. rate of gas 2.

$M_1$  = Molecular wt. of the first gas  
and  $M_2$  = = = = second gas



Also can be Graham's Law is written by:

$$\frac{R_{g1}}{R_{g2}} = \sqrt{\frac{D(g_2)}{D(g_1)}}$$

Example: calculate rate of hydrogen (H) diffusion as compared to neon (Ne) diffusion, if you know the following

$$D(H) = 0.071 \text{ g/ml (g/c-c)} (= \text{g/cm}^3)$$

$$D(Ne) = 1.20 =$$

Solution:  $\frac{R_{H_2}}{R_{Ne}} = \sqrt{\frac{D_{Ne}}{D_{H}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.20}{0.071}} = \underline{4.1}$  folds

Hydrogen gas is diffused 4.1 folds as compare with Neon gas.  $\frac{A.W = 1.007}{A.W = 20.18} \frac{H}{Ne}$

$$\text{OR } \frac{R_H}{R_{Ne}} = \sqrt{\frac{20.15}{1}} = \sqrt{\frac{20.18}{1}} = \underline{4.6}$$

Factors Affecting upon Gases Diffusion:

- ① Gas Density
- ② Temperature بزيادة درجة الحرارة
- ③ Medium of dispersion الوسط الذي تنتشر فيه
- ④ Diffusion pressure Gradient تدرج الضغط الانتشاري
- ⑤ size of gas particle
- ⑥ Type of electric charge
- ⑦ Number of electric charges.

Plant PhysiologyOsmosis

Osmosis process is diffusion of water through a semi-permeable membrane into another aqueous compartment with more concentration solution.

The diffusion of solvent molecules into the solution through semipermeable membrane is called as osmosis (sometimes called as osmotic diffusion).

If a living plant cell or tissue is placed in water or hypotonic solution (whose osmotic pressure is lower than that cell sap) water enters into the cell sap by osmosis. This process is called as endosmosis.

Osmotic pressure can be calculated by Vant Hoff Equation

$$\pi = \alpha CRT$$

Whereas  $\alpha$  (or  $i$ ) Type of ionization

$\pi$  = osmotic pressure

$C$  = Concentration in mole/L ((Molarity))

$R$  = gas constant

$$R = 0.082 \frac{\text{Liter} \cdot \text{atm.}}{\text{mole deg.}}$$

$T$  = absolute temperature

$$T = 273 + ^\circ C$$

Units of osmotic pressure

$$\text{Atm.} = 1.013 \text{ bar}$$

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Atmosphere

$$\text{MPa} = 9.87 \text{ atm.}$$

MPa → Mega Pascal  
( $10^6$  Pascal)

$$\text{MPa} = 10 \text{ bar}$$

$$\text{bar} = 0.987 \text{ atm.}$$



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### Osmosis Process Mechanism

Plant cell process is selectively permeable membranes especially plasma membrane and vacuole membrane whereas those membranes have important role in water absorption.

Vacuole contains water solution of many substances (such as salts, sugars, organic acids).

The cytoplasm is surrounded by selective membrane called plasma membrane or Exoplast. The vacuole is surrounded by selective membrane is named vacuolar membrane or Tonoplast ((Tonoplast limits for solutes transport))

#### Cell wall :

Cell wall is strengthened and flexible. It is permitted to pass the water and soluble materials through it and also gases.

Note -

Osmotic pressure of the solution can be termed as osmotic potential. The osmotic potential of pure water is equal Zero

Meanwhile the water solutions with soluble salts have negative (-) osmotic potential.

Lenticel

A structure consisting of loosely packed cork cells in the periderm of the stem of many wood plants that is thought to facilitate gas exchange between the atmosphere and internal tissues.

Hydathods

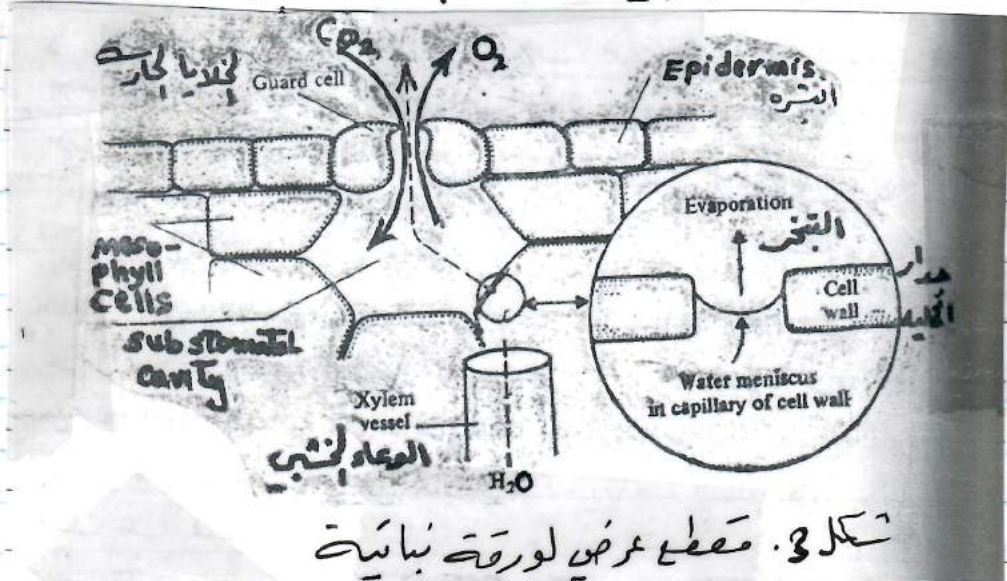
A water secreting pores along the edges and at the tip of leaves of many plants

Plasmolysis:

Shrinkage of the cytoplasm away from the cell wall due to excess water loss when a cell is placed in a solution containing a higher effective solute concentration than that of the cell.

The plasmolysis is classified into:

- 1 - Permanent plasmolysis
- 2 - Incipient plasmolysis



شكل 3. مقطع عرضي لورقة نباتية

Fig. 3 - Cross Section of Plant leaf



Imbibition: is a process by which a porous material absorbs a liquid (water) and swells as a result of the adsorption of the liquid to the internal surfaces of the materials.

Imbibition pressure (I.P) is similar to osmotic pressure (O.P) equation as follows

$$DPD = I.P - T.P$$

whereas:

I.P = Imbibition pressure. I.P sometime is replaced by the term matric potential ( $\psi_m$ )

DPD = Diffusion pressure deficit نقص الضغط الانتشاري

T.P = Turgor pressure

In particular case when TP (turgor pressure) doesn't occur,  
 $DPD = I.P$

Factors affecting imbibition rate are

- 1- Temperature
- 2- Osmotic pressure
- 3- Type of hydrophilic colloids presence in both living and dead cells.

# تابع للمحاضرة الاولى

امثلة حساب الضغط ازموتى  
على اللى

## Example 1 :

Calculate osmotic pressure of KCl solution containing (0.746 g per 100 ml.) at 25°C by atm, bar, and MPa units ((note: M.W = 74.6))

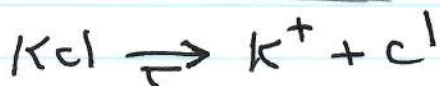
Solution :

$$0.746 \times \frac{1000}{100} = 7.46 \text{ g / Liter}$$

$$\text{Molarity} = M = \frac{\text{wt.}}{\text{M.W.}} = \frac{7.46}{74.6} = 0.1 \text{ M}$$

of KCl

$$\text{O.P} = \pi = \alpha cRT$$



$$\begin{aligned} \pi &= 2 \times 0.1 \times 0.082 \times 298 \\ &= 4.89 \text{ atm} \\ &= 4.95 \text{ bar} \\ &= 0.50 \text{ MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \text{No. of ions} \\ c &= \text{conc. (M)} \\ R &= \text{gas constant} \\ &= 0.082 \\ T &= 273 + ^\circ\text{C} = \text{Kelvin} \\ T &= 273 + 25 = 298 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MPa} &= 9.87 \text{ atm} \\ \frac{\text{atm}}{9.87} &= \text{MPa} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{atm} &= 1.013 \text{ bar} \\ \frac{\text{bar}}{1.013} &= \text{atm} \\ \text{MPa} &= 10 \text{ bar} \\ \frac{\text{bar}}{10} &= \text{MPa} \end{aligned}$$

## Example 2 :

Count osmotic pressure of sucrose ((M.W = 342)) solution containing (1.71 g sucrose / 50 ml.) at 20°C, by atm, bar, MPa.



Solution:

Conc. of sucrose

$$1.71 \times \frac{1000}{50} = 34.2 \text{ g/L}$$

$$\text{Molarity} = M = \frac{\text{wt}}{\text{M.W}} = \frac{34.2}{342} = 0.1 \text{ M}$$

Sucrose is non-ionized compounds

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$T = 273 + 20 = 293 \text{ Kelvin}$$

$$OP = \pi = \alpha CRT$$

$$= 1 \times 0.1 \times 0.082 \times 293 = 2.40 \text{ atm}$$

$$= 2.43 \text{ bar}$$

$$= 0.24 \text{ MPa}$$

## Gas Diffusion Rate

Example:

Calculate the diffusion rate of hydrogen gas ( $D = 0.071 \text{ g/c-c}$ ) as compared with:

- 1 -  $O_2$  ( $D = 1.14 \text{ g/c-c}$ )
- 2 -  $Ne$  ( $D = 1.20 \text{ g/c-c}$ )
- 3 -  $Xe$  ( $D = 3.06 \text{ g/c-c}$ )

Solution

$$1 - \frac{RH}{RO_2} = \sqrt{\frac{D_{O_2}}{D_{H_2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.14}{0.071}} = 4.0 \text{ folds}$$

$$2 - \frac{RH}{R_{Ne}} = \sqrt{\frac{D_{Ne}}{D_H}} = \sqrt{\frac{1.20}{0.071}} = 4.1 \text{ folds}$$

$$3 - \frac{RH}{R_{Xe}} = \sqrt{\frac{D_{Xe}}{D_H}} = \sqrt{\frac{3.06}{0.071}} = 6.6$$

# Lec. 1

## Conclusion الاستنتاج / نكحة لجابة مثال

Diffusion rate of H gas is increasing (or is more faster) by 4.0, 4.1, and 6.6 folds (معدلات) as compared with O<sub>2</sub>, Ne, Xe gases, respectively

## Homework 1 واجب بيت (H-1)

11 "حسب طاب بيت اجوبة ل سوال بيتهم لافاً"  
Calculate the diffusion rate of oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) gas (D = 1.14 g/c.c)

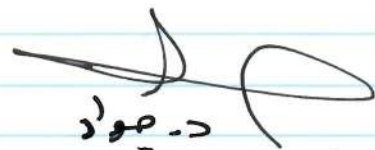
as compared with:

1- H (D = 0.071 g/c.c)

2- Xe (D = 3.06 g/c.c)

3- CO<sub>2</sub> (D = 1.977 g/c.c)

Corrected Answers: ( 0.25, 1.64, and 1.32 fold )



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Q6: Define the following in Brief

Ectoplasts, hydathods, Mpa,  
exosmosis, II, DPD

واجبة  
Homework 2 (H-2)  
عند طلب يعرف اجابة السؤال  
ويتم في وقت محدد

① Calculate the osmotic potential (by atm, bar, and Mpa units) of

9.532 gram of  $MgCl_2$  in liter of water (M.W = 95.32) at  $25^\circ C$ .

②- Count the osmotic pressure of

4.995% of  $CaCl_2$  solution (M.W = 111.0) at  $20^\circ C$  by Mpa and atm. units.

③- Calculate the diffusion rate of hydrogen gas ( $D = 0.071 \text{ g/c-c}$ )

as compared with Xenon (Xe) gas ( $D = 3.06 \text{ g/c-c}$ ).

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Universal Questions

Q1: ① - The biomolecules are  
1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 -

② - Metabolism physiology is divided into 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 -

③ - Significance (Advantageous) of osmosis phenomena are 1 - 2 - 3 -

④ What are basic differences between osmosis and diffusion (Four only).

⑤ Write the <sup>Laws</sup> diffusion of liquids and gases

⑥ What is the unit of diffusion coefficient?

Q2) Put the word True or False

① - The energy of water covalent bond is 481.2 kJ/mole

② - The energy of water hydrogen bond is 25 kcal/mole

③ - Vacuolar membrane is named Tonoplast

④ - The water surface tension of water is 62.8 dyne/cm at 293.15 Kelvin

⑤ - Ectoplast membrane is less limiting passed soluble materials



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Q3: Select the correct answer:

① - Liquid diffusion Law is established by

- a) Graham    b) Plank    c) Newton    d) Fick

② - Diffusion rate of H gas ( $D = 0.071$  g/c.c) is more than oxygen gas ( $D = 1.14$  g/c.c) by

- a) 4.0    b) 3.2    c) 3.0    d) 2.5

③ - Solute potential is called

a) pressure    b) matric    c) osmotic  
d) gravitational

④ - Osmotic pressure (Mega pascal, MP) of solution containing 5.85 g NaCl per liter ( $MW = 58.5$ ) at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  is,

- a) 1.0    b) 10.0    c) 0.50    d) 0.25

⑤ - Mitochondria is called as

a) energy synthesis    b) energy houses    c) ATP  
d) all of them

⑥ - Carbohydrates are composed by

a) C, H, O, N    b) C, H, N, P    c) C, H, O, N, P  
d) C, H, O

⑦ - Nucleotides are composed by

- a) C, H, O    b) C, H, O, N, P    c) C, H, O, N  
d) all of them

8 - Stress Physiology is concerning of

a) Salinity    b) senescence  
c) photosynthesis    d) none of them

Q4 = Fill the following blanks

- ① - Photosynthesis process is part of plant \_\_\_\_\_ division
- ② Senescence physiology is type of \_\_\_\_\_ physiology
- ③ - \_\_\_\_\_ is viscosity unit
- ④ - Water contains two \_\_\_\_\_ bonds such as \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.
- ⑤ - \_\_\_\_\_ is value of water heat fusion -
- ⑥ - less size of gas particle is caused an increase \_\_\_\_\_ diffusion

Q5 = Matching : select the correct answer for Column A from column B.

- | Column A                          | Column B          |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 - Cell wall                     | a - 0.082         |
| 2 - Nucleosides                   | b - $\alpha$ CRT  |
| 3 - Amino acids                   | c - C, H, O, N, P |
| 4 - Water surface tension at 20°C | d - Protein       |
| 5 - $\Pi$                         | e - 72.75 dyne/cm |
| 6 - R gas constant                | f - 0.092         |
| 7 - plasma membrane               | g - Tonoplast     |
| 8 - Vacuolar membrane             | h - Ectoplasm     |
| 9 - Nucleotides                   | i - 0.082         |

- |                         |                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| m - Strengthen the cell | J - osmotic pressure  |
| n - 72.75 dyne/cm       | k - osmotic potential |
|                         | l - C, H, O, N        |





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Plant Physiology

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Transpiration

Transpiration process is the loss of water by evaporation from plant. It differs from the general process of evaporation, because the water vapor does not evaporate from a free surface but must pass through the epidermis with its cuticle or throughout the stomata.

Transpiration can be divided into

① Stomatal Transpiration ((ST)) :

This process is loss of water throughout stomata. This kind forms about 90 to 95% of the total transpiration.

② Cuticular Transpiration ((CT)) :

This process deals with loss of water vapor from epidermis surface in cuticle layer throughout the cracks particularly when the rate of stomatal transpiration decreased. This kind of the transpiration forms about 5-10% of the total transpiration.

③ Lenticular Transpiration ((LT)).

LT is consisted of loss of water from the lenticels which are distributed in cork cells of tree stem. This type of transpiration is increased in autumn when the leaves fall down. LT forms about less than 1% of the total transpiration.

Generally, some physiologists pointed out that transpiration process is not useful.

In contrast, many scientists showed that process is very important to the plant system.



Transpiration Advantages:

- ① Gase exchange
- ② Cooling the plant parts especially leaf.
- ③ Enhancing the growth and development of plant.
- ④ Contributing of mineral transport from soil solution to the root system and other plant parts.

Table ①: water content lossing through the transpiration of various plants

Kind of Plant	Amount of Transpiration	Kind of Plant	Amount of Transpiration
Cotton	5 ton / 4200 m <sup>2</sup> / day	Tomato	136 kg / plant / Season
Sunflower	15 ton = =		
Corn	12 = = =	Apple	36 kg / tree / day

Transpiration Coefficient (TC)

TC defines the amount of water in liter or (grams) that plant is lossed it through transpiration process for synethizing one gram (or 1kg) of dry matter (Dw.)

$$TC = \frac{T}{Dw}$$

whereas:  $T$  = Transpiration  
(cm<sup>3</sup>, g, Kg ...)

$Dw$  = Dry weight (g, Kg ...)

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Table (2). Transpiration rate for some plants

Plant	TC.	Plant	TC.
Corn	349	Barley	527
Sugarbeet	443	Potatoes	575
Wheat	491	Clover	698
		Flax	783

Example: Suppose the total transpiration of kind plant equal 300 kg water, and plant dry weight is 0.5 kg, calculate the transpiration coefficient (TC)

$$TC = \frac{T}{Dw} = \frac{300}{0.5} = 600$$

## Relative Transpiration (RT)

RT is described the portions of water loss by transpiration from plant surface to the weight of evaporated water from free equal surface area.

$$RT = \frac{WP}{W_a}$$

whereas,  $WP$  = wt. of water is subjected to transpiration per time for 100 cm<sup>2</sup> (leaf area)

$W_a$  = wt. of water subject to evaporation from free surface / time / 100 cm<sup>2</sup>

## Transpiration Rate (TR):

The amount of water losses through transpiration in time unit and leaf area unit or weight unit from all plant body.

$$TR = \frac{T}{A \times t}$$



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whereas :  $(T)$  = The amount of water is lost by transpiration (g, cm<sup>3</sup>, liter)

$(A)$  = leaf area or total dry wt. of the plant (cm<sup>2</sup> or g.)

$(t)$  = Time (h, day, week, ---)

The relation between transpiration speed with hydraulic conductivity and leaf water potential

$$\psi_{leaf} = \frac{TS}{H}$$

where  
 $\psi_{leaf}$  = leaf water potential  
 $TS$  = Transpiration speed (liter / hour)

$H$  = Water hydraulic conductivity (liter / hour) or (atm., bar. MPa)

Example :

$TS$  (Transpiration speed) = 1.0 liter / h

Soil water potential  $\psi_m = -0.5$  atm. ضغط مائي  
 $\pi$  = Osmotic pressure of soil solution = 1.5 atm. ضغط اسموزي

$H$  = water hydraulic conductivity  
 = - 0.2 liter / atm. h. (( لتر / ضغط مائي . ساعة ))

$\psi_{\pi}$  = الجهد الاسموزي = -  $\pi$  = - 1.5 atm. ضغط اسموزي

$\psi_{soil}$  = الجهد المائي =  $\psi_m + \psi_{\pi}$  الجهد اسموزي + الجهد المائي  
 = - 0.5 + (- 1.5) = - 2 atm. ضغط مائي

$\psi_{leaf}$  = الجهد المائي =  $\frac{TS}{H}$  =  $\frac{1.0}{-0.2}$  = - 5 atm. الجهد المائي

$\psi_{total}$  = الجهد المائي الكلي =  $\psi_{leaf} + \psi_{soil}$  = - 5 + (- 2) = - 7.0 atm. الجهد المائي الكلي

$$\Psi_{\text{Total}} \text{ (MPa)} = \frac{-7.0}{9.87} = -0.71 \text{ MP}$$

$$\Psi \rightarrow \text{PSi}$$

القياسية لـ MPa  
تحويله إلى Psi

### Measurement of Transpiration :

#### ① Laboratory Measurements:

① - Measurement of water vapor by cobalt chloride paper (uses saturated cobalt chloride  $\text{CoCl}_2$ ) with 3% concentration

② - Potometers

#### ② Field measurements:

① - potted plant method (Applied in greenhouse and in the field in some cases)

② Lysimeters (Expensive method)

③ Detach a leaf

#### ③ Using Mathematical Models for calculating transpiration rate (TR).

### Factors Affecting Transpiration Rate

(Exo Factors من الخارج)

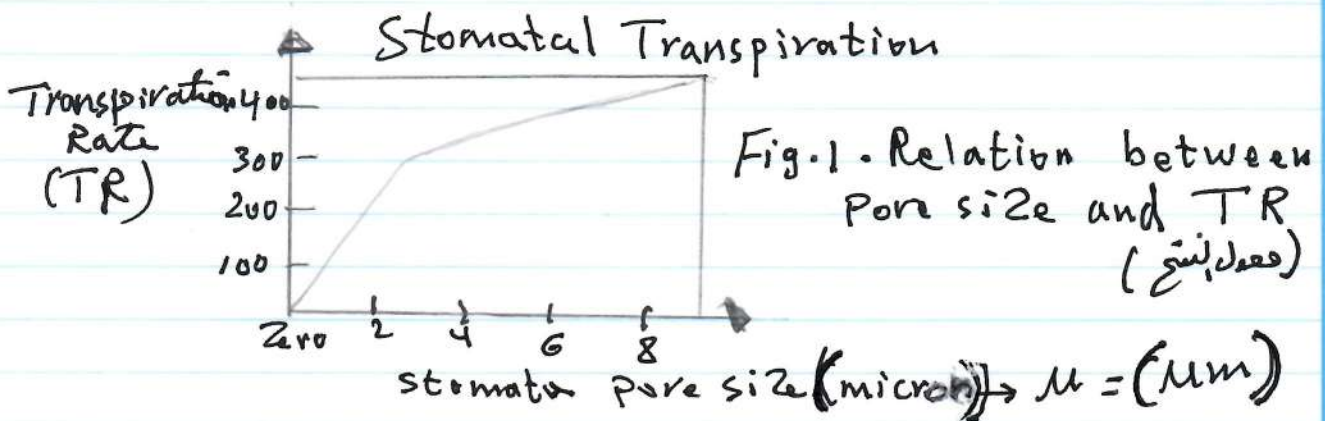
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|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| ① Temperature                  | ② Relative Humidity    |
| ③ Wind velocity                | ④ Light intensity      |
| ⑤ Carbon dioxide concentration | ( $\text{CO}_2$ Conc.) |



## Factors Affecting Transpiration Rate (العوامل التي تؤثر على معدل النتح)

### ① Stomatal pores:

Stomatal pores consider the most factor that affect TR. TR is commonly decreased with decreasing pore size of stomata (As shown in Figure as below)



② water content of plant cell subjects to transpiration

③ Many plant modification affects plant transpiration such as:

(a) Deeper pores under epidermis

(b) Increases of cutin layers on epidermis cell wall

(c) Decreases in plant surface exposure to the transpiration

④ leaf structure

⑤ leaf composition

⑥ leaf surface area

⑦ Proportion root system to vegetative system.

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Water Balance in Plant System :

Plant water content is affected by two factors as follows: ① water absorption from soil system ② water loss by transpiration

The water balance in plant system depends on the two factors. If the balance is disturbed due to high rate of transpiration as compared with water absorption causing plant wilting or vice versa.

Fig 2. illustrate the relation between the transpiration and water absorption by sunflower plant at sunny hot day in summer season.

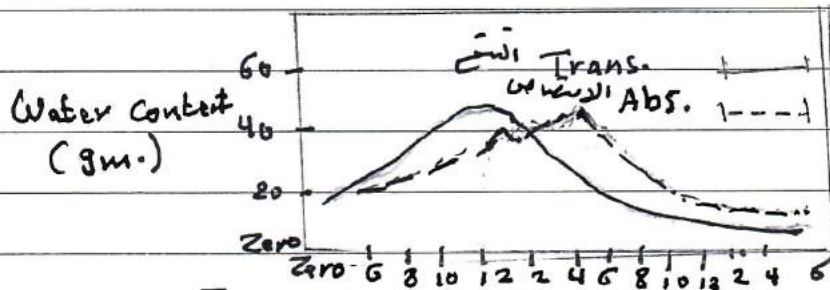
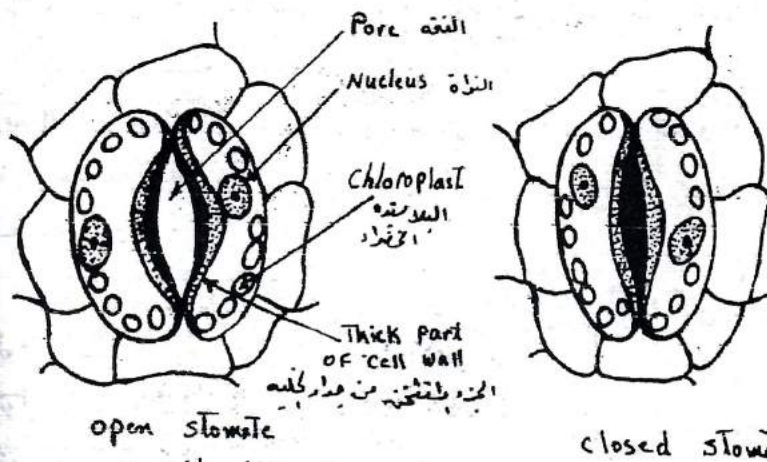


Fig 2: Average the transpiration and Absorption

Mechanism and Composition of Stomata

Leaves epidermis are containing pores that its known as stomata. Stomata are limited by two specialized two cells known guard cells. These cells control the opening and closing the stomata (Fig). Fig.3 illustrate the composition of guard cells



open stomate

closed stomate

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Fig (3):

Guard cells composition (شكل ١) يوضح تركيب الخلايا الحارسة

The width (broaden) of the stomata at opening stage is approximately ranged from 3 to 12  $\mu$  (micron =  $10^{-6}$  m), and rate of its length ranged between 10 upto 40  $\mu$  (micron).

Leaf surface contains 6000 to 300,000 pores/cm<sup>2</sup> (equal 60-3000 pores/mm<sup>2</sup>). The numbers and distribution of stomata depend on kind of plant. The stomata are counted as 1-2% of leaf area.

Field crops are contained about 6000 to 180,000 pores/cm<sup>2</sup>, meanwhile the trees contained 30,000 upto  $10^6$  pores/cm<sup>2</sup> (= 300 to  $10^4$  pores/mm<sup>2</sup>).

### Stomata Distribution:

Stomata are commonly distributed into three patterns:

- ① On the upper leaf surface, names as Epistomatous.
- ② On the lower leaf surface, names as Hypostomatous.
- ③ On the both leaf surface, which is called as Amphistomatous.

### The Mechanism of Stomata Work:

The closing and opening stomata depend on the swelling and shrinking the guard cells. Some mechanisms and Theories are created and discovered for explaining the stomatal work.

These are consisted of the following:



## ① Carbohydrate Mechanism

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Opening the stomata depends on increases of carbohydrates content as a result of photosynthesis process, that process causes increasing water absorption. According to this phenomenon, the size of guard cells are increased, and it works on opening the stomata during day hours. This mechanism has many disadvantages:

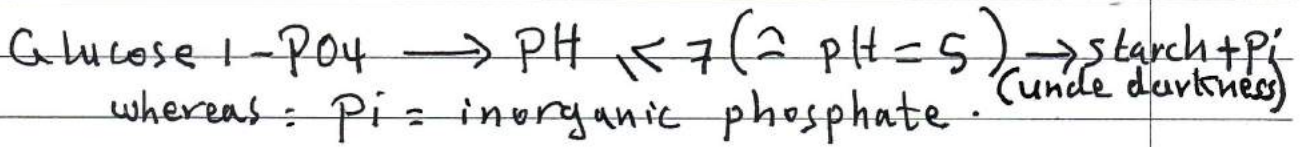
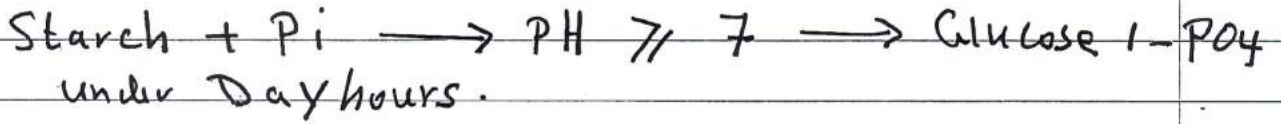
- Does not give clear explanation for stomata opening after sunset (٠٠:٠٠)
- Doesn't give clear explanation before sunrise (٠٠:٠٠)
- Carbohydrate content in guard cells is not enough for creating adequate osmotic potential for opening the stomata.

## ② Sayre Theory:

This theory deals with the transformation of starch into simple sugars. In general, the stomata opening are increased the pH value ( $\text{pH} \gg 7.0$ ) and its closure as decreases in pH value ( $\text{pH} \leq 7.0$ ). In day hours,  $\text{CO}_2$  content is decreased because of its consuming (Reduced) by photosynthesis process. This process is enhanced the pH which its causing opening of the stomata.

Under dark conditions,  $\text{CO}_2$  content is increased because of absence photosynthesis which its resulted in formation  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$ . Carbonic acid causing decreases of pH value.

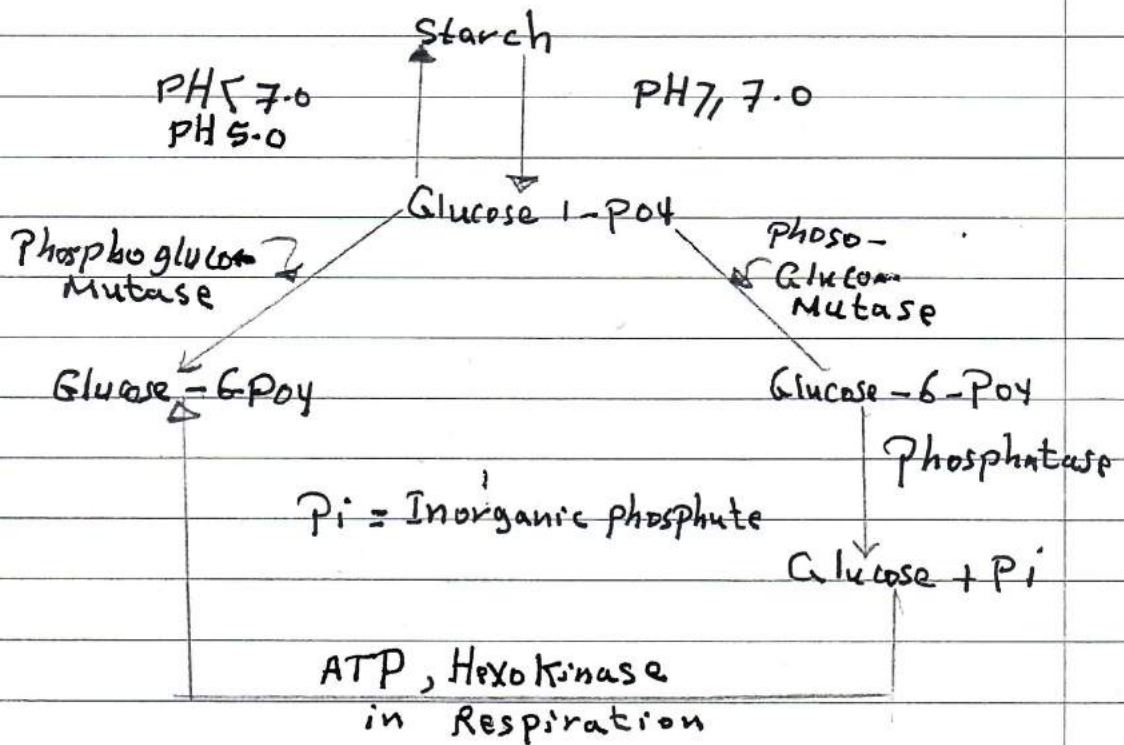
Two equations are explained this theory under day and dark conditions.



Sayre Theory opposes  $\text{P}_i$  (الفسفور) في

- ① Does not adequately explain the opening and closure the stomata
- ② Inorganic phosphate has important role in establishment osmotic potential that is equal to glucose function.

Steward (1964) had developed sayre theory according to the below scheme





Steward explained the modification of osmotic potential as a result of glucose hydrolyzed had more effective than starch. The Sayre and Steward theories didn't explain the speed of opening and closure of the stomata before sunrise and sunset.

### Third Theory: Metabolism Theory: نظرية الأيض

This theory is more acceptance because of its adequately explained the process more than other theories. This theory combines between  $K^+$  (ion) in building up the osmotic potential and pH, and the abscisic role in controlling this process (opening and closure the stomata).

Due to this theory, more studies were conducted under Laboratory basis confirming the follow:

\* Opening the stomata events is happens before sunrise and its closure at sunset

\* Accompany with this process (opening the stomata) build on osmotic potential

\* Decrease of  $CO_2$  resulted in of photosynthesis in guard cells.

\* Accumulation of  $K^+$  caused opening the stomata

\* Accompany with accumulation of  $K^+$  increases in pH because of starch hydrolyzed and formation of organic acids (for example, malic acid). Malic acid hydrolyzed into  $H^+$  (Proton) and malate radical.

\* Under light, and  $CO_2$  decreasing causes of accumulation  $K^+$  and stomata opening.

\* Occurrence abscisic acid in higher concentration in guard



cells resulted in closure the stomata and impediment  $K^+$  ions accumulation.

### How Control opening and closure of the stomata:

Many scientists believe that two factors are principally controlled and adjustment these mechanisms. They are:

① Decreases  $CO_2$  concentration of stomata causes flowing  $K^+$  to the guard cells and establish higher osmotic potential which its causing increases of turgor pressure in these cells. This mechanism resulted in stomata opening and  $CO_2$  reduction because of photosynthesis.

② Exposure plant to dryness is caused the water outflow from guard cells resulting in closing the stomata.

### Guttation الغطاء

Guttation process is secreted of liquid from Hydathodes, along the edge and tip of a leaf. This phenomenon is happened in grasses because of water flowing up as a resulted by root pressure and doesn't occur the transpiration in first hours of the morning before sunrise. In this case, is not

true that guttation drops are dew drops.

The guttation drops are containing a little of soluble materials as a example:

Sugars, amino acids, mineral salts, meanwhile those materials form precipitates location upon leaf edges.



Universal Questions

Q<sub>1</sub>: Put the word True or False

- 1) The stomatal transpiration form 60-65% of total transpiration
- 2) Lenticular transpiration form less than 1% of total transpiration
- 3) Transpiration rate of Flax is more than barley.
- 4) Relative transpiration equal  $w_a/w_p$
- 5) leaf surface contains 60 to 3000 pores/mm<sup>2</sup>

Q<sub>2</sub>:

- 1- Transpiration process can be divided into 1-2-3-
- 2- Transpiration advantages are 1-2-3-4-
- 3- End factors affected transpiration are 1-2-3-4-5-
- 4- Types of stomata distribution are 1-2-3
- 5- What are the mechanisms of stomata work?

Q<sub>3</sub>: Define the following:

Epistomatous, Relative transpiration rate, Sayre

Q<sub>4</sub>: write the scheme of Steward for explaining stomata mechanism work

Homeworks - 2

Q<sub>1</sub>: Select the correct items for column-1 from column-2.

<u>Column-1</u>	<u>Column-2</u>
1 - Cuticular transpiration	a - 90-95%
2 - Transpiration coefficient	b - corn
3 - Transpiration rate of wheat less than	c - 3-12 Micron
	d - 3-12 mm
4 - Stomat width	e - w <sub>p</sub> /w <sub>a</sub>
5 - Hypostomatous	f - upper leaf surface
6 - Steward developed	g - T/Dw
7 Higher abscisic acid concentration	h - Flax
	i - Sayer's Theory
8 - Osmotic pressure of 0.1 M CaCl <sub>2</sub> at 20°C	j - lower leaf surface
9 - Osmotic pressure of 0.1 M sucrose at 20°C	k - 5-10%
10 - Maximum transpiration occur at	l - closure stomata
	m - 821 atm.
	n - 0.73 MPa
	o - Midday (12 o'clock)
	p - 2-4 atm.
	q - 4-8 atm.

Q<sub>2</sub>:

Calculate total leaf water potential by units ; atm., MPa if you know the following :

T<sub>S</sub> = 3-0 liter/hour       $\psi_m = -2.0$  atm.  
 $\pi =$  OP of soil solution equal to 1.5 atm.  
 $H =$  Water hydraulic conductivity equal - 0.2 liter/atm.h



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Absorption and Transport of Water:

Water absorption by plants are performed in different mechanisms (ways) as follow:

- ① Absorption by root system.  
(Almost the water absorb by this mechanism).
- ② Water absorption by vegetative system.
- ③ Water absorption by all plant parts especially by aquatic plants.

Root water Absorption

The most plants get all their waters by root system by:

- ① Root hairs region
- ② - Growing apex region
- ③ Elongation Zone
- ④ - Secondary or lateral root Zone

Water is principally absorbed from root hairs zone and epidermis because of:

- ① Root hair cells have thin walls that containing Pectins matter.
- ② It have succulent large vacuole volume, and its osmotic potential ( $\psi\pi$ ) is more negatively
- ③ covering it a gel surfaces as colloidal materials that its capable to adsorb by soil particles.
- ④ Higher water permeability because it doesn't contain suberin and cutin materials
- ⑤ It have large surface area which it forms 90% of root surface area
- ⑥ It have most capability to contact soil particles by 20 folds at least.



For example, rye annual plant has 1.4 billion root hairs with large surface area which is about  $640 \text{ m}^2$ , meanwhile the root surface area is about  $710 \text{ m}^2$  ( $\frac{640}{710} \times 100 = 90\%$ ).

The actual reasons for decreasing water absorptivity at the other regions (growth apex region, and elongation zone) are due to the following:

- (1) Division and elongation of those regions.
- (2) Containing a compacted and compressed cells
- (3) have dense cytoplasm with high viscosity
- (4) <sup>Have it</sup> little succulent vacuoles.

### The chemical and Anatomical Composition of Root Hairs:

The chemical composition of root hairs is consisted of the cellulose materials. The anatomical pattern of root hairs from outside into inside is composed by (1) epidermis (2) Cortex (3) endodermis (4) cylindrical vascular (Xylem vessel). Note: Endodermis is protected by the casparian strip.

The water passes throughout thinner walls of root hairs to epidermis, cytoplasm, cortex, parenchyma cells, Xylem vessel, Pericycle cells, to leaves throughout stem by vessel Xylem. The water is transported in a column as mass form in xylem vessel to stem, to leaves. At final stage, water loss as water



## Vapor throughout the stomata system (Fig. 1)

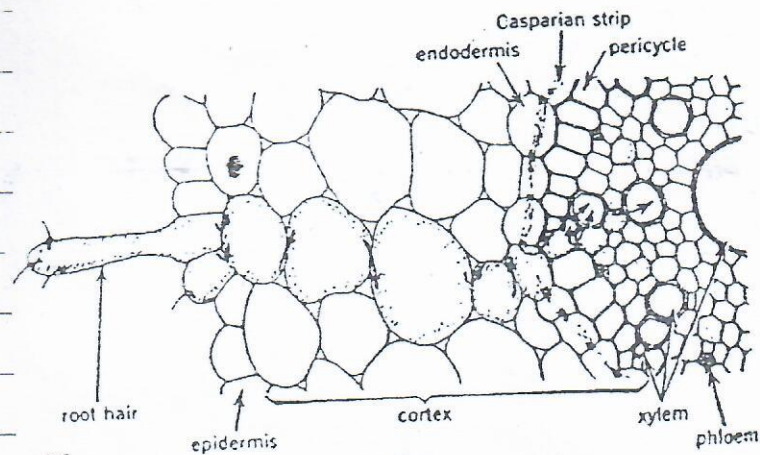


Fig. 1.

Water and other substances move into and within the plant root in a different three ways. However, a combination of these three pathways is responsible for transport of water across the root.

### ① Apoplastic Pathway:

Water is movement through intercellular spaces and cells (cell walls and intercellular spaces).

### ② Transmembrane Pathway:

Water moves from cell to others by membrane transport (by crossing the plasma membranes).

### ③ Symplastic Pathway:

Water moves through plasmodesmata from cell to others (through plasmodesmata).

note: water is entered a cell by transmembrane and symplastic which are sometimes considered to be the same (Fig. 2, Page 4)



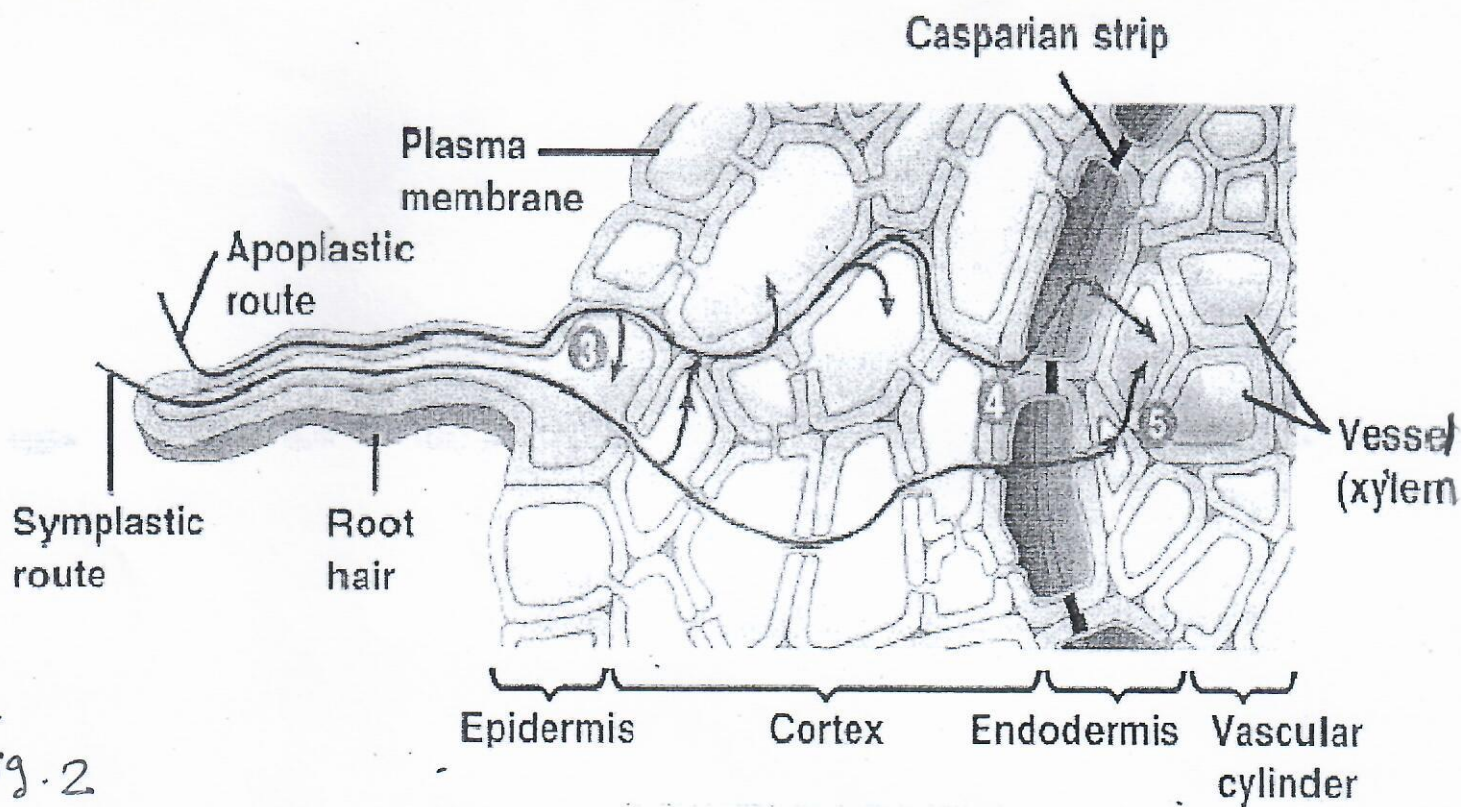


Fig. 2

## Soil water

Water content in soils has an effect role on soil formation, erosion, and structure stability but the major concern is the availability of water for plant growth. Water serves many functions as (1) constituent form 85 to 95% of protoplasm (2) essential for photosynthesis (3) converse of starches to sugars (4) solvent (5) moving nutrients through plant parts (6) Provides plant turgidity.

Soil is absorbed water from throughing rainfall and irrigation and is conserved as source for plants. At irrigation, water is under tension equally zero ( $\psi_w = 0$ ). After irrigation schedule water moves by gravity force (the gravity potential is named as  $\psi_g$ ).



## Soil / 15.1 / 1 / 2021 Water Classification

Different portions of water films (أغشية) in soils are held with many suction.

The most useful classification of water content relate water to plant growth and are labeled as follow:

① Gravitational water is water held with tension of less than 0.3 atm ( $\psi_w = -0.3 \text{ atm}$ ). This kind will drain freely by the gravity force.

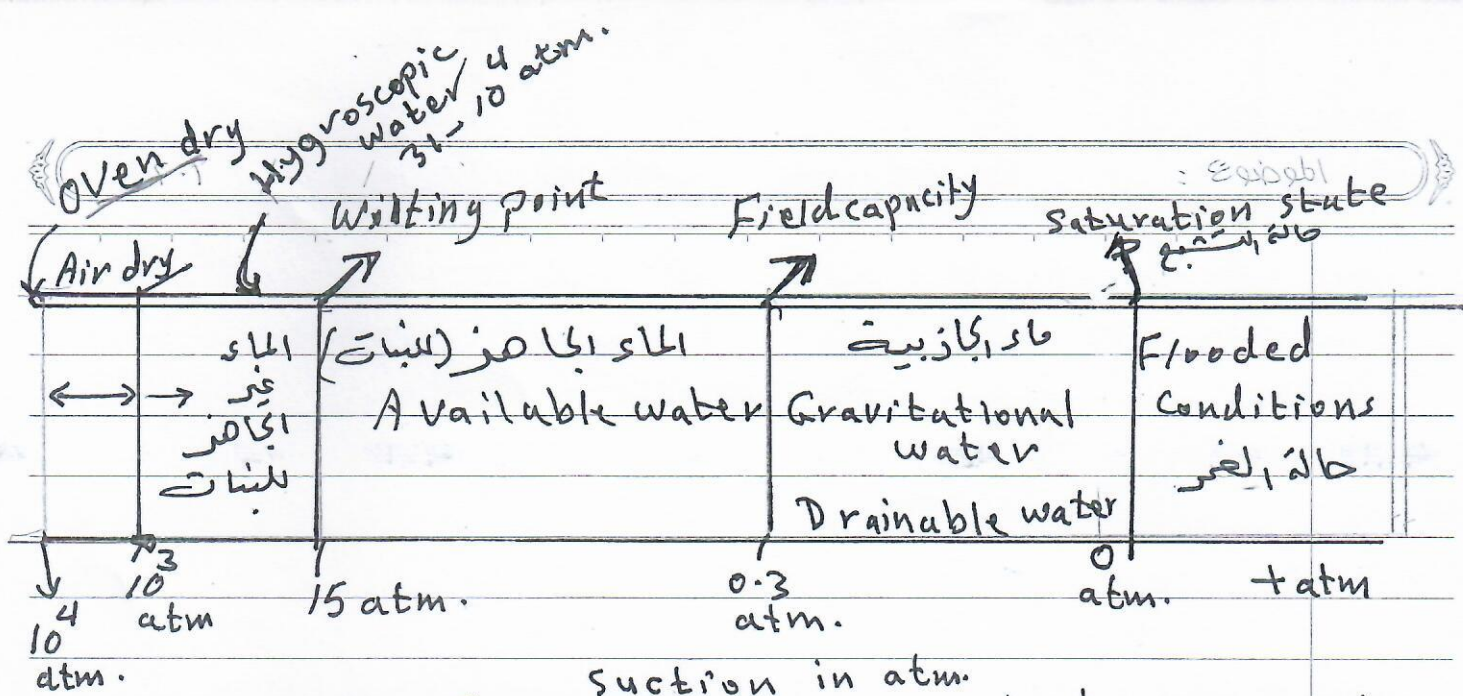
② Available water is the portion <sup>fast enough</sup> of stored soil water that can be absorbed by plant root. This kind is under tension 0.3 to 15 atm ( $\psi_w = -0.3$  to  $-15 \text{ atm}$ ) (Between field capacity and wilting point).

Field capacity is the percentage of soil moisture that is contained at 0.3 ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) atm (bar) ( $\psi_w = -0.3 \text{ atm}$ ) suction and is a measure of the greatest amount of water that a soil will hold, or store.

For example, available water content in silty clay soil is equal 25% and the content of moisture at wilting point is 10%. The available water for plant is equally as  $25 - 10 = 15\%$ .

Fig. 3 - Water content in soil systems  
Scheme of





$\psi_w$  = Water potential is term dealing with forces that held soil water

$$\psi_w = \psi_M + \psi_g + \psi_p + \psi_{\pi}$$

Total water potential

- Whereas :
- $\psi_M$  = Matric potential
  - $\psi_g$  = Gravitational potential
  - $\psi_p$  = Pressure =
  - $\psi_{\pi}$  = Osmotic =

$\psi_p$  : Pressure potential of soil water belong to weight of water or air pressure on soil water.  $\psi_p$  is very limited, in many cases  $\psi_p = 0$  because soil doesn't reach high level beyond saturation state.

Generally, the term suction is equally numerically  $\psi$  (Potential). Almost situations water potential after 48 hours from irrigation is equal the following :

$$\psi_w = \psi_M + \psi_{\pi}$$



Water absorption by soil particle surface (solid phase) <sup>is</sup> resulted in the following.

- ① Decreases in water molecules movement
- ② Decreases in water free energy.
- ③ Heat releasing because of transforming water to lower level of energy.

Many water molecules layers (or films) are subjected to adsorption on soil particles surfaces due to adhesion forces. This kind of water is known as Adhesion water, <sup>however</sup> ~~its~~ <sup>has</sup> ~~lower~~ movement and unavailable to plant uses.

### Expression Methods for Energy status of Soil Water:

① Negative potential ( $-\psi$ ) (Suction) is the height of column of water its weight equal to the demand tension.

② PF. is the logarithm of the height of a column of water (in cm.)

The normal range of PF in soils when plants have enough water to grow is from about PF 2.5 (wet) to PF 4.2 (wilting point).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PF } 2.5 &= 316 \text{ cm} \hat{=} 0.3 \text{ atm} = \\ \text{PF } 4.2 &= 15849 \hat{=} 15.3 \text{ atm}. \end{aligned}$$

③ Pressure units: Atmosphere (atm)    atm = 1.013 bar  
Bar = 0.987 atm.

④ Mega pascal (MPa)    Mpa =  $10^6$  Pa  
Mpa = 9.87 atm -  
1 atm = 0.1013 MPa



⑤ Pound per square inch (PSI)

$$1 \text{ atm} = 14.7 \text{ PSI}$$

$$1 \text{ PSI} = 0.0680 \text{ atm}$$

⑥ millibar =  $\frac{1}{1000}$  bar

✓ Plant water content is depended upon many factors as follow:

- ① Soil <sup>available</sup> water content
- ② Clay content
- ③ Type of clay
- ④ Soil texture
- ⑤ soil structure
- ⑥ soil porosity
- ⑦ Organic matter.
- ⑧ Soil solution concentration
- ⑨ Soil air
- ⑩ Soil temperature.

Soil moisture Measurements:

① Gravimetric method

② Suction Methods: Consisting:

Tensiometers

Tension plate - Gypsum block

Tension membrane

③ Neutron scattering.

Capillary Phenomenon and Relation to Soil Water:

Capillary phenomenon is occurred in soil system and plant system. The example of this process is upward water movement in soil system by capillary tubes among soil pores. Capillary process is happened by two forces ① Cohension force between water and solid phase of pores walls which water passed through it.

② Water surface tension force. Water molecules



## Lec. 4

are subjected to attract on two sides of pure surfaces (or other porous material) in which the process is taking place. This adhesion forms a meniscus (curve) in which the water tends to rise up the side of the container. The pressure under the meniscus is lower than the atmosphere. This kind of phenomenon is causing in rise water upwardly (as upward movement).

The rising of water in capillary tubes is inverse proportional with radius of these tubes according to the following equation:

$$h = \frac{2T}{rdg}$$

whereas:  $T$  = Surface Tension  
 $r$  = radius  
 $d$  = Water Density  
 $g$  = gravity.

When all terms shown in above equation are substituted by the following:

$$T = 72.8 \text{ dyne/cm} \quad g = 980.7 \text{ cm/sec}^2$$

$d = 1.00 \text{ g/c.c (at } 4^\circ\text{C)}$ , the equation form is

$$h = \frac{0.153}{r} \rightarrow \frac{0.15}{r}$$

whereas:

$h$  = water height in capillary tube in (cm)

$r$  = Radius of capillary tube (cm).

Capillary phenomenon is discussed in detailed for water absorption by plant systems



Objective Type Questions

Q<sub>1</sub>

- ① The most plants get all their water by root system by 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 -
- ② Water is primarily absorbed from root hairs regions because of 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 -
- ③ The actual regions for decreasing water absorption by elongation zone are due to 1 - 2 - 3 -
- ④ Anatomical pattern of root hairs is composed by 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 -

Q<sub>2</sub>: Put the word True or False

- ① Growth apex region have subjected to high <sup>cell</sup> divisions
- ② Most plants get ~~of~~ their waters by lateral root zone
- ③ Root hairs have higher water permeability because it does contain suberin.
- ④ Apoplastic pathway, water is moved through intercellular spaces and cells

Q<sub>3</sub>: Define the following:

Root hair region,  $\psi_g$ ,  $\psi_w$   
 $\psi_{II}$ , cutins -



Q4: Select the best (correct) answer  
of the following:

- 1 -  $\Psi_{II}$  is,
  - a) osmotic pressure
  - b) matric potential
  - c) ~~None~~ of them
  - d) osmotic potential
- 2 - Root hairs have higher water permeability because it's containing,
  - a) pectins
  - b) suberins
  - c) cutins
  - d) all of them
- 3 - Aquatic plants absorb water by
  - a) leaf
  - b) stem
  - c) all plant <sup>parts</sup> ~~parts~~ (lenticel)
- 4 - Root hairs have large surface area which it form,
  - a) 90%
  - b) 20%
  - c) 50%
  - d) 60%
 of root surface area.

Q5 Fill the following blanks

- 1 - \_\_\_\_\_ is matric potential
- 2 - \_\_\_\_\_ field capacity is under 0-3 atm tension
- 3 - Available water to plants is under tension between \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 - Oven dried soils are at \_\_\_\_\_ atm.



Q5 = Select the correct answer for  
Column-1 from Column-2

Column-1

1- Pectins

2- Suberins

3- Root hairs region

4- Cutins

5-  $\psi$ 

6- Endodermis protection

7- Elongation Zone

8- At irrigation, water  
is under tension9- At irrigation, water  
is under potential10- Plant available water  
under tension

11- Water field capacity

12- Wilting point

Column-2

a- Disaccharides

b- polysaccharides

c- less water absorption

d- fat materials

e- water potential

f- cortex

g- high water absorption

h- 4-0 bar

i-  $T = \text{Zero}$ j-  $\psi_w = \text{Zero}$ 

k- 0.8 atm

l- 5 atm

m- Casparian strips

n- compressed cells

o- 0.3 - 15 atm

p- waxy materials

q- Pressure potential

r- 0.3 atm

s- 15 atm



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Water Absorption Mechanisms:

A number of mechanisms are known to be affected root absorption of water, over 90% of the total water absorption is absorbed by passively absorption mechanism.

Water absorption can be classified into:

- ① Passive absorption
- ② Active absorption
- ③ Root extension

Passive Absorption

Passive absorption process has high capability to absorb water from soil system to the limit at wilting point "دبيلة" (water tension = 15 atm ( $\psi_w = -15$  atm)).

Meanwhile, water active absorption doesn't extract (absorb) water in a limit of 2 atm. and more.

Active Absorption

In this process, the root cells play active role in the absorption of water and metabolic energy which it released through respiration is consumed. Active absorption may be done by two kinds:

① Osmotic absorption for example, when water is absorbed from the soil system into plant system, through xylem vessels of the roots according to the osmotic gradient

② Non-osmotic absorption, i.e, when water is absorbed against the osmotic gradient.

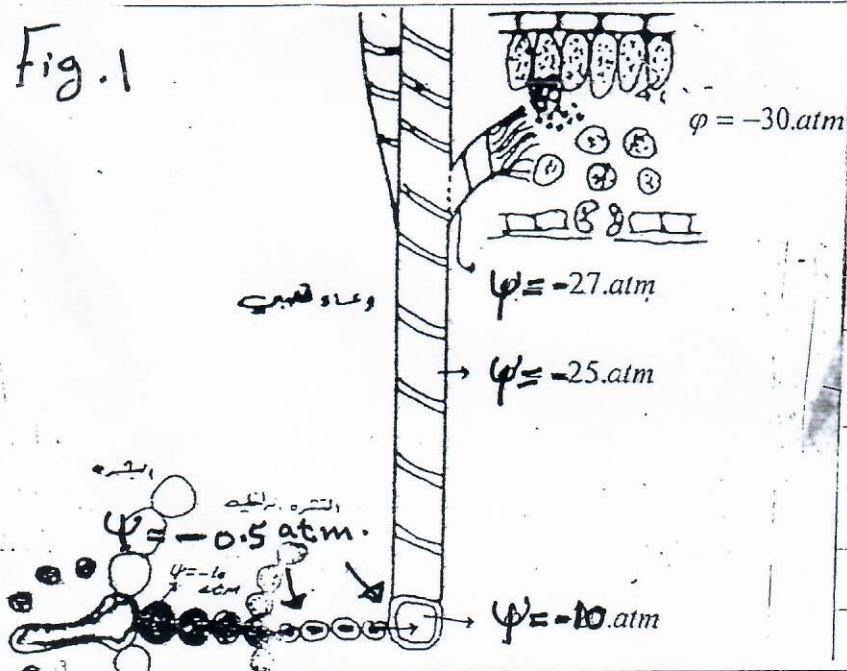


The kind of active absorption mechanism is occurred by root system due to:

① Matric potential «  $\psi_m$  »

The cells walls of root system are hydrophilic colloids (سلوليات هيدروفيلية) (e.g., cellulose...) and it have high ability to transport water from cell to other cells throughout root tissues by imbibition (Matric) force «  $\psi_m$  ».

② The active absorption of water can be done by osmosis ( $\psi_w$  of soil solution is less negatively) as compared with the root water potential (More negative value of  $\psi_w$ ) (Fig. 1).



Water upward movement by plant transporting vessels is affected by the following:

① Root pressure

Some physiological phenomena due to the root pressure are: ① Bleeding ② Guttation



## ② Capillarity Criteria (capillarity) القوة الشعيرية

The micro radius of xylem vessels and adhesion force of water with those vessels and adhesion force of water with those vessels are smaller than the cohesion force between water molecules.

The capillarity causes to upward water movement through plant system.

Two forces are occurred:

① upward (Lifting) force القوة الارتفاعية (قوة صعود)

$$L.F = T \cos \theta \cdot 2\pi r$$

whereas,  $2\pi r =$  Periphery of cylinder محيط الشكل الخيطي  
 $r =$  radius شعيرة

$T =$  surface tension of water (liquid) التوتر السطحي  
 $= 72.75$  dyne/cm For water

$\theta =$  Adhesion angle,  $\cos \theta =$  جيب تمام الزاوية

② Downward force (weight of liquid) القوة الهبوطية (قوة هبوط السائل)

$$D.F = \pi r^2 h d g$$

whereas

$\pi =$  constant percent الثابت

$\pi r^2 =$  Xylem Vessel Area مساحة وعاء الخشب

$g =$  gravity = 980.7 cm/sec<sup>2</sup> الجاذبية

$d =$  water (liquid) density الكثافة

$= 0.9982$  g/c.c (= g/ml)  
 at 20°C

$h =$  water (liquid) height (in cm) الارتفاع

When water is upwardly moved, those two forces are to be equal according to:

$$T \cos \theta \cdot 2\pi r = \pi r^2 h d g$$

$$h = \frac{2T \cos \theta}{d g r}$$

$$h = \frac{2 \times 72.75 \times 1}{980.7 \times 0.9982 \times r} = \frac{0.15}{r}$$



Example:

Calculate water height in a capillary tube with a radius (r) of ① micron ( $\mu$ ).

Solution:

$$\text{Micron} = \underline{\underline{\mu\text{m}}} \text{ (Micrometer)} = \frac{10^{-6} \text{ m}}{10^{-4} \text{ cm}} = \frac{10^{-4} \text{ cm}}{10^4} \text{ (متر)}$$

(( حايكروميتير )) (( مائيكرون ))

$$\frac{1}{10000} = \frac{1}{10^4} \text{ cm} \quad , \quad h = \frac{0.15}{0.0001} = 1500 \text{ cm (سم)}$$

= 15 meter. (( متر ))

Cohesion - Adhesion Theory:

This theory is expressed by many terms (or terminology) as following:

- |                                |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| ① Theory of cohesive force     | نظرية قوة التماسك   |
| ② Dixon and Jolly's Theory     | نظرية ديكسون وجوليس |
| ③ Driving transpiration Theory | نظرية قوة الشد      |

Factors Affecting Water Absorption

- A) Soil Factors (or External Factors) عوامل التربة (الظروف الخارجية)**
- ① Plant available water content in soil system.
  - ② Osmotic pressure (Osmotic potential) of soil solution.
  - ③ Aeration      ④ Temperature (soil temperature)
  - ⑤ CO<sub>2</sub> concentration      ⑥ Soil air

**B) Plant Factors (Endo factors)**

- ① Depth and distribution of root system.
- ② Root water permeability.
- ③ Root metabolic activity
- ④ <sup>proportion</sup> between root system and vegetative system
- ⑤ Transpiration rates
- ⑥ Factors affect transpiration process and transpiration rate.



## Water Absorption by Vegetative System

This type of absorption is done by water absorption as water vapor (Gas) form or as liquid form (سائل) (using sprinkler irrigation الري بالرش) by aerial plant parts such as plant leaves.

This mechanism of water absorption is dependent on the following:

- ① Water potential ( $\psi_w$ ) of leaf.
- ② Cuticle layer permeability
- ③ Climate factors (e.g.: Temperature, Relative humidity, Pressure, Wind speed, and other environmental factors))

- ④ Plant factors such as leaf area, stomata No., stomata size, leaf shape and others.





# Lec-5 Plant Physiology

## Example of calculating water height and radius of xylem vessels:

Example 1: If you know,

radius of xylem vessel 2, 10, 50 micron ( $\mu$ ) - Calculate the water height in cm, and meter

Solutions:

$$h = \frac{0.153}{r}$$

$$h = \frac{0.153}{2/10}$$

$$h = \frac{0.153}{10/10}$$

$$h = \frac{0.153}{50/10}$$

Answer:

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\underline{765 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\underline{7.65 \text{ meter}}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\underline{153 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\underline{1.53 \text{ meter}}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$\underline{30.6 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\underline{0.306 \text{ meter}}$$

Example 2: If you know,

Water height 153 cm in xylem vessels. Calculate the vessel radius in cm, mm, micron, micrometer

Solution

$$h = \frac{0.153}{r}$$

$$r = \frac{0.153}{h}$$

$$r = \frac{0.153}{153} = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}$$

$$= 1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mm}$$

$$= 10 \text{ micron}$$

$$= 10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

$$= 1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ meter}$$

$$= 10 \text{ micrometer}$$



Universal Questions

Q1 - Put the word True or False

- ① → 98% of water passively absorption by plants
- ② Root extension is type of water absorption
- ③ plants can be ability absorbed water from soil system at 15 atm.
- ④ Osmotic absorption is one kind of active water absorption

Q2 - Select the correct answer:

- ① which of the following parts of root is involved in water absorption
- a) root cap      b) elongation zone  
c) root hair zone      d) all of above
- ② Main force behind passive absorption of water by roots is,
- a) root pressure      b) transpiral pull  
c) osmotic pressure      d) none of them
- ③ First step in absorption of water by root hairs is,
- a) imbibition      b) simple diffusion  
c) osmotic diffusion      d) none of the above



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Q3: Fill the following blanks:

- ① \_\_\_\_\_ are found in roots in endodermal cells
- ② Water holding capacity of the soil is much greater in \_\_\_\_\_ soil
- ③ The amount of water retained by the soil after the drainage of gravitational water is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- ④ Plant available water is under specific tension occurred between \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ atm.

Q4: Define the following:

\* Passive absorption, ( $\psi_g$ ,  $\psi_H$ )  
PF, field capacity, apoplastic pathway

Q5: Complete the following

- ① In general, water absorption by plants can be classified into 1-2-3-
- ② Active water absorption may be done by 1-2-



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3) Water upward movement by plant transporting is affected by

1 - 2 -

Homeworks - 5

Q 6:

Select the correct answers for  
Column-1 from Column-2 -

Column-1

Column-2

1 - Water upward force

a -  $CO_2$  concentration

2 - Water downward force

b - Transpiration rate

3 - Water height in Xylem vessel is equal

c -  $10^{-6}$  m

4 - Gravity value

d - cuticle layer

5 -  $2\pi r$

e - area of cylinder

6 - micron

7 - Exofactor affects water absorption

f -  $908.7 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$   
g -  $\frac{0.183}{r}$

8 - Endofactor affects water absorption

h -  $TP^2 h d g$

9 - Water absorption by vegetative systems

i -  $O_2$  concentration

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Column-1

10 - water height of water in xylem with 10 micron ( $\mu$ ) diameter is equal (in meter)

Column-2

j - 6-12 meter

k - root hairs

l -  $\frac{0.153}{r}$

$$m = \pi r^2 h d g$$

$$n = T \cos \theta 2\pi r$$

$$o = \pi \cos \theta 2\pi r$$

p periphery of cylinder

$$q = 306 \text{ cm} (= 3.06 \text{ meter})$$

$$r = 980.7 \text{ cm/sec}^2$$

2) Calculate the water height in xylem vessel with 20 micron ( $\mu$ ) in cm. and meter

3) Count the radius of xylem vessels if you know the height water in it as 1530 cm. by

micron, mm., cm., and micrometer

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## Nutrients Absorption and Mineral Nutrition

The adequate balance of mineral nutrition process has important work with plant growth factors (Genetics, Kind, Family, location), environmental factors (Temperature, pressure, water, R.H, Wind ... etc.), and soil factors (Porosity, clay, texture, OM ... etc) on growth, yield, and yield component of plants.

Nutritional element role in plant doesn't depend on its quantity only, but it depends on its physiological role and activity in plant system, and availability.

Table 1: Elemental analysis of the stem, leaves, Cob, and grain and others of graminny plants (such as corn, wheat and others)

Element Symbol	Element Name	% of Total D.W	Element Symbol	Element Name	% of Total D.W	Note
C	Carbon	43.57	Mg	Magnesium	0.18	D.W = Dry weight
O	Oxygen	44.43	Fe	Iron	0.08	
H	Hydrogen	6.24	Mn	Manganese	0.04	
N	Nitrogen	1.46	Si	Silicon	1.17	
S	Sulfur	0.17	Al	Aluminium	0.11	
P	Phosphorus	0.20	Cl	Chlorine	0.14	
Ca	Calcium	0.23	Undetermined Nutrients			
K	Potassium	0.92	Mo, Cu, Zn, B		0.93	

Na, V, Co, Cl, Si, Al, Se ... are usually considered as essential elements for special wild and field crops, and economical plants



The concentrations of nutritional elements in plant system are dependent upon the following:

- ① Nutrient availability index
- ② Growth factors
- ③ Kind of plant
- ④ plant family
- ⑤ Physiological criteria of plants (root exchange capacity)
- ⑥ Fertilization (Kind, schedule time, formulation, methods)

### Root Cation Exchange Capacity (RCEC)

Plant roots exhibit a CEC which is ranging from 10 to 30 meq/100g in monocotyledonous plants (Grasses, wheat, Barley, ...) and it ranged between 40 upto 100 meq/100g in dicotyledonous plants (Legumes, ...)

The exchange properties of roots are attributable mainly to carboxylic group (COOH). This mechanism is accounted for 70 to 90% of the exchange properties of plant roots.

Table 2. Cation exchange of plant roots

Plant	CEC, meq/100g dw
wheat	23
corn	29
Bean	54
Soybean	60
Tomato	62

Mineral nutrients may be classified into:

- ① Major nutrients (C, H, O, N, P, K)
- ② Secondary nutrients (Ca, Mg, S)
- ③ Minor (trace) nutrients (Fe, Mn, Cu, Zn, B, Mo, Na, Si, Al, Cl)



Also, mineral nutrients may be classified to:

- ① Essential nutrients (16-18 Elements)
- ② Non-essential nutrients (3-6 Elements)

### Nutrient Absorption:

Nutrient in soil systems is released from solid phase of soil (طور التربة الصلبة) to liquid phase (طور التربة السائلة) by one of the following

- ① Ion Exchange تبادل الأيونات
- ② Dissolution الذوبان
- ③ Chelation المخلب (الخلب)
- ④ Soil Buffering capacity (SBC)

$$SBC = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta I} = \frac{\Delta \text{Nutrient quantity}}{\Delta \text{Nutrient intensity}}$$

$\Delta$  كمية العناصر  
 $\Delta$  شدة العناصر

### Mechanism of Nutrients Absorption by Root System:

It is done by two mechanisms:

- ① Passive Absorption
- ② Active Absorption

### Nutrient Movement to the Root System:

They are generally many ways in which nutrient ions in soil may reach the root system (Root surface)

- ① Root interception
- ② Mass flow
- ③ Diffusion
- ④ Donnan Equilibrium
- ⑤ Ion Exchange



## Active uptake Mechanism Absorption

### ① Source of Energy

For calculation the amount of energy requires for inflow of 1 mole of element inside plant against 10 folds of its concentration in outer environment through a membrane

$$G^{\circ}(\text{Energy}) = 2.303 RT \log \frac{C_i (\text{inside})}{C_o (\text{outside})}$$

Example:  $G = 2.303 \times 1.987 \times 293.15 \log \frac{10}{1}$   
 $= 1.34 \text{ Kcal/mole}$

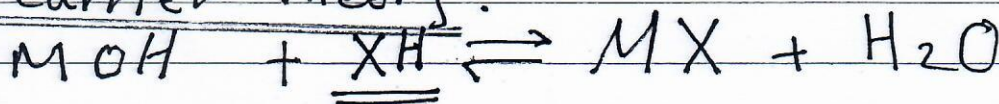
whereas:  $C_i = \text{Ion conc. inside the cell}$

$C_o = \text{Ion conc. outside the cell}$

$R = \text{gas constant} = 1.987 \text{ cal./mole/temperature } (^{\circ}\text{K})$

Note: ATP hydrolysis, produces 7.3-7.6 Kcal/mole (for each mole)

### ② Carrier Theory:



Carrier

Proteinous compounds ✓

M = Mineral element.

### ③ Ion Pump Theory

The factors affecting Ion Absorption by Active Absorption are ① oxygen, temp., light, inhibitors ② Factors affecting on plant growth ③ Kind and Ion concentration in outer Area



### Nutrient Absorption by leaves:

Many aquatic plants get all requirements mineral nutrients by leaves.

This kind of mechanisms is depended on ion permeability through leaves and kind of transporting in leaves by

① cuticle layer

② stomata

③ cuticle and stomata

Foliar fertilization can be used for treat nutrients deficiency especially minor (trace) nutrients such as: Fe, Mn, Cu, Mo, B ...)

Table 3: Nutrient Content Requirement for all higher plants

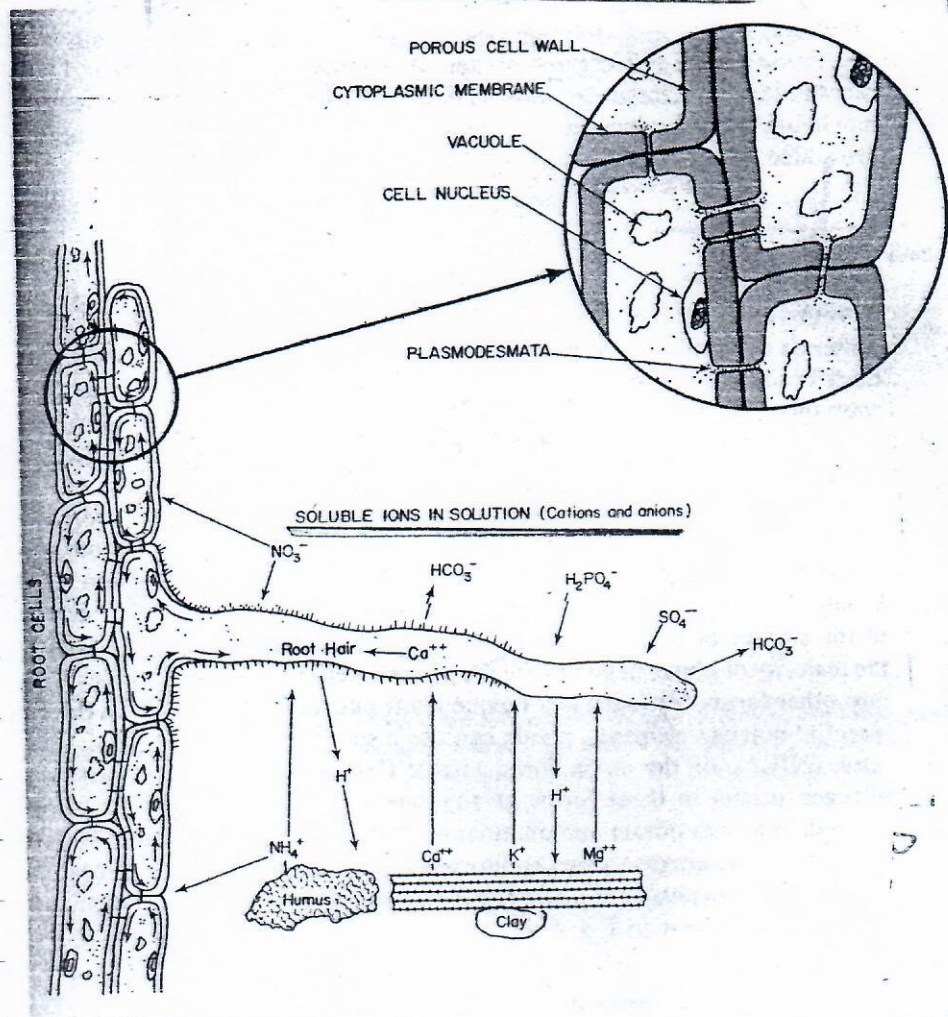
Nutrient Symbol	Conc. mg/kg	Relative of at. No. to Mo	Nutrient	Conc mg/kg	Relative to Mo
Mo	0-1	1	S	1000	$30 \times 10^3$
Cu	6.0	100	P	2000	$60 \times 10^3$
Zn	20	300	Mg	2000	$80 \times 10^3$
Mn	50	1000	Ca	5000	$185 \times 10^3$
Fe	100	2000	K	10000	$250 \times 10^3$
B	20	2000	N	15000	$1000 \times 10^3$
Cl	100	3000	O	$450 \times 10^3$	$30 \times 10^6$
			C	$450 \times 10^3$	$35 \times 10^6$
			H	$60 \times 10^3$	$60 \times 10^6$



Table 4. Relative Significance of the Principal Ways in which plant Nutrient Ions Move from Soil to the Plant Roots

Nutrient Symbol	Atomic wt.	Nut. Symbol	Percentage supplied by		
			Root interception	Mass flow	Diffusion
Nitrogen	14.01	N	1.2	98.8	0
phosphorus	30.98	P	2.8	6.3	90.9
Potassium	39.10	K	2-3	20.0	77.7
Calcium	40.08	Ca	28.6	71.4	0
Magnesium	24.32	Mg	13.0	87.0	0
Sulfur	32.07	S	5.0	95.0	0

Fig 1:-  
Structure  
Composition  
of Root systems  
and Nutrients  
Absorption  
by  
Root Hairs





Universal Questions

Q<sub>1</sub> = Complete the following:

- ① Enumerate the major elements that have high concentration in plant  
1 - 2 - 3 -
- ② Plant primary nutrients may be classified into 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 -
- ③ plant secondary nutrients are 1 - 2 - 3 -
- ④ plant minor nutrients are 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 -

Q<sub>2</sub> = Put the word True or False

- ① Oxygen concentration in plant is 6-24%.
- ② Nitrogen content in plant tissues is 1-46%.
- ③ Mg element is considered as major nutrient.
- ④ Iron element is minor nutrient.

Q<sub>3</sub> : choose the correct answer:

- ① Potassium is considered as,  
a) minor b) major c) secondary  
d) none of them
- ② Cation root exchange of wheat is  
a) less b) equal c) more d) none of  
them as compared with soybeans.





Carbon

③ Higher root <sup>Carbon</sup> exchange capacity of the plant is

- a) wheat b) corn c) tomato d) bean

④ The concentrations of nutritional elements in plant are dependent on,

- a) CO<sub>2</sub> b) O<sub>2</sub> c) growth season d) Kind of plant

Q4 : Fill the following blanks:

① \_\_\_\_\_ plant is lowest root cation exchange capacity

② \_\_\_\_\_ element is important for chlorophylls composition -

③ \_\_\_\_\_ element is important for Hb (Haemoglobin) composition -

④ \_\_\_\_\_ mechanism is type of nutrient movement from soil particle to the root system

Homework - 6  
Matching

Q5 =

Choose the correct answer for column-1 from column-2 -

Column-1  
1- Nutrient uptake by diffusion

2- Nutrient absorption not need it energy

column-2  
Ca, Mg

root interception



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- 3 - Most nutrients absorbed by mass flow
- 4 - Lowest element content in plant
- 5 - Active uptake mechanism
- 6 - Ion pump theory
- 7 - Hydrogen content in plant

Column - 2

c - copper (Cu)

d - osmosis

e -  $35 \times 10^6$ 

f - P, K

g - soil application

h - Mg

i - N, S, Mg

j - Carrier theory

k - carbon

l - Mo

n - active absorption

o -  $60 \times 10^6$  folds as compared with Mo

p - foliar absorption

q - root interception

r - diffusion

s - Fe ion

u - mass flow

v - Passive absorption

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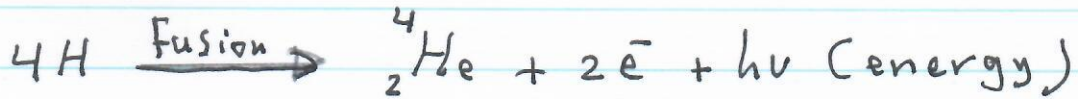
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## Photosynthesis

### Introduction:

The sun is considered as thermal nuclear system  
 • Four hydrogen atoms is fusion (combined) in the sun for forming helium gas (He) according to the equation, below:



The mass of reactants = 4.0320  
 = = = Productants = 4.0038

The difference = 0.0282.

The above mass unit is changed to energy as electromagnetic rays as light or heat according to the Einstein equation:

$$E = mc^2$$

whereas M = Mass

c = light velocity  
(cm/sec, m/sec)

Sun light component : H = 73.46% (≈ 3:1)  
 He = 24.85

Also sun atmosphere is containing other elements

Element	%	Element	%	Element	%
O <sub>2</sub>	0.77	Ne	0.12	Mg	0.05
C	0.29	N	0.09	S	0.04
Fe	0.16	Si	0.07		



The Nature of Light :

Light has waves (Newton) and particles (Einstein's theory) Criteria. Max Planck 1900 who confirmed that light energy called Photons or Quantums. Also Planck found the relation between light energy and length wave

$$E = h \frac{c}{\lambda} \rightarrow h\nu$$

whereas:

$E$  = Quantum Energy

$\nu$  = Frequency التردد

$h$  = plank's constants

$$\underline{h} = 6.626 \times 10^{-27} \text{ (erg. sec) (الرج. ثانية)}$$

$$\underline{h} = 6.626 \times 10^{-34} \text{ (Joule. Sec) (جول. ثانية)}$$

$$\text{Frequency } (\nu) \text{ التردد} = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{\text{light velocity} \text{ سرعة الضوء}}{\text{wave length} \text{ طول الموجة}}$$

Calculation of Light Energy

Example :

\* Calculate the energy of yellow-red light has wave length 650 nm  
( =  $6.5 \times 10^{-7}$  meter)  
(nm =  $10^{-9}$  m =  $650 \times 10^{-9}$  m =  $6.5 \times 10^{-7}$  m)

Solution

① Calculate frequency coefficient ( $\nu$ ) according to the equation

$$\nu = \frac{c}{\lambda} = \frac{3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/sec}}{6.5 \times 10^{-7}} = 4.6 \times 10^{14} \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

Energy  $E = N h \nu$

whereas  $N =$  Avogadro's Number ( $N_0$ )

تَابِعَاتُ الْبَيْتِ ((جود. تَابِعَاتُ))

$= 6.023 \times 10^{23}$

$h =$  planck's const.

$\nu =$  Frequency

$E = \frac{6.023 \times 10^{23} \times 6.626 \times 10^{-34}}{4.184 \times 10^3} \times 4.6 \times 10^{14}$

$= 9.539 \times 10^{-14} \text{ KJ. sec} \times 4.6 \times 10^{14} \frac{1}{\text{sec}} = \boxed{43.88} \text{ KJoule/mole}$

$\frac{\text{Photon}}{\text{mole}} \times \frac{\text{kcal.}}{\text{sec}} \times \text{sec} = \boxed{\text{kcal/mole}}$   
 -- اَوَّلُ بَيْتِ الْبَيْتِ  
 -- تَابِعَاتُ الْبَيْتِ

Table 3: Energy of visible light

Wave length nm ( $= 10^{-9} \text{m}$ )	Color	Energy Kcal/mole	KJoule/ mole	eV**/mole
400 (390-422)	violet	71.54	299.3	3.10
500 (422-492)	blue	57.23	239.5	2.48
600 (492-535)	yellow	47.70	199.6	2.07
650 (535-586)	orange-red	44.03	184.2	1.91
700 (586-647)	Red	40.88	171.0	1.77
760	Infrared	37.65	157.5	1.63

\*\* electro volt (eV) =  $\frac{1 \text{Kcal/mole}}{23.06}$



## Amount of Energy Received by Earth:

The earth plant is received about  $258,100 \text{ Calory/cm}^2/\text{Year}$ . About 40% reflect from it due to clouds and atmospheric dust (السحب، الغبار)، and 15% of that energy will transfer to heat energy in ozone layer (الطبقة الأيونوسفيرية). 45% of the energy will reach the earth surface which is equal to  $116,400 \text{ Cal/cm}^2/\text{Year}$ .

45% of this radiation will reach earth surface is visible light (45% infra-red rays, and 10% UV rays))

The total energy fixed by green plants is ranged between 0.05 to 0.1% of the total radiation at earth surface which it is approximately equal 39 cal/cm<sup>2</sup> only

The amounts of carbon is fixed by plants are equal  $10.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ ton/Year}$   
( $= 10.8 \times 10^{13} \text{ Kg/Year}$ )

## Photosynthesis

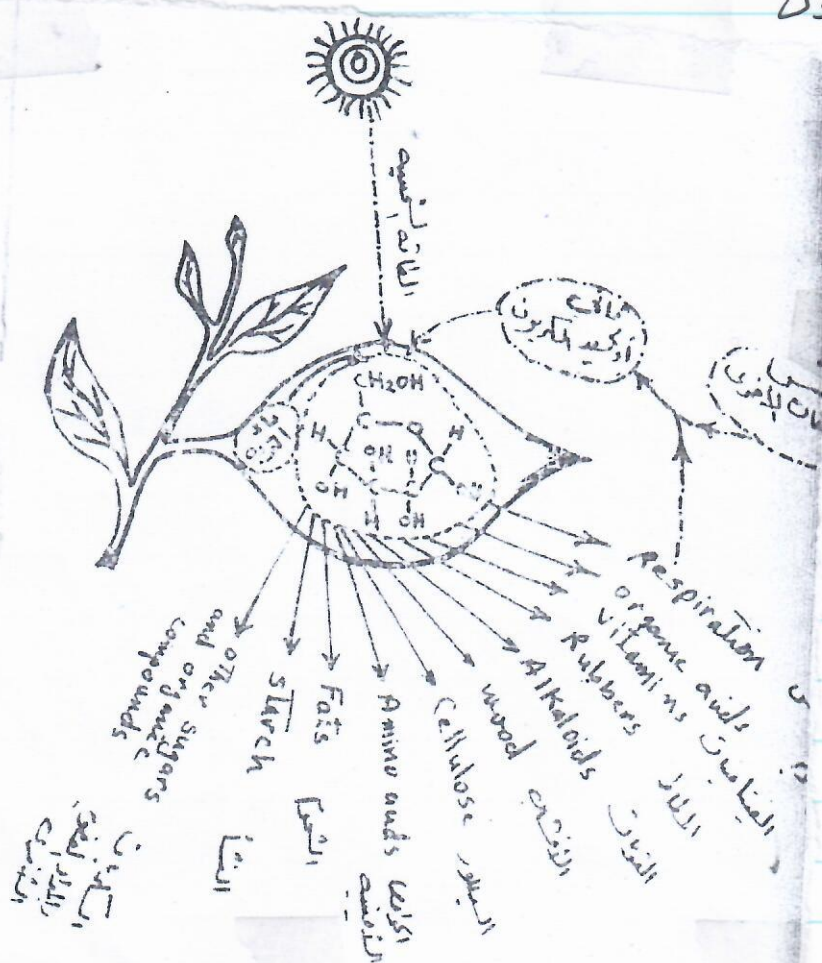
The Photosynthesis is considered the most important process for all living organisms except anaerobic bacteria which it can fix  $\text{CO}_2$  (carbon dioxide) with using hydrogen of the water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) as a source of protons.



The important role of photosynthesis are:

- [1] \* one of important process and chemical reactions for all living organism which source of a- food b-  $O_2$  source c- energy
- [2] \* Fuel source : Example coal, Poterol, Natural gas
- [3] \* Industrial and economical products. Example (Schem 1)

Scheme 1 : Importance of photosynthesis as food and source of energy and industrial technology



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Material requirements for photosynthesis

- [1] Light
- [2] Energy
- [3] Pigments
- [4] Water
- [5]  $CO_2$
- [6] Enzymes and Coenzymes
- [7] Mineral salts
  - a-  $NO_3-N(N)$
  - b-  $H_2PO_4(P)$
  - c- Magnesium (Mg)
  - d- Iron (Fe)

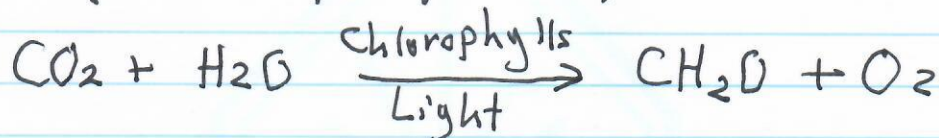


History of Photosynthesis

\* De Saussur (1804) is the first scientist postulated the following photosynthetic equation:



\* Van Niel (1930) pointed out the general equation for photosynthesis:



\* Blackman (1905) illustrated that photosynthesis process consisted two processes:

- ① Light reactions
- ② Dark reactions

\* Hill (1937) concluded the following facts according to his studies:

- ① Photosynthesis is carried out in plastids
- ②  $\text{CO}_2$  [Carbon dioxide] is not necessary for light reactions

Photophosphorylation:

The process by which the plant can produce ATP [Adenosine Triphosphate] in the presence light and it happens in the plastids and through the light reactions. There are two types of photophosphorylation:

- ① Non cyclic photophosphorylation
- ② Cyclic photophosphorylation



Functions of light reactions :

- ① - Production of oxygen ( $O_2$ )
- ② - Formation of NADPH + H<sup>+</sup> which is necessary for metabolic reactions including dark reactions
- ③ - Formation of Adenosine triphosphate (ATP) which is very necessary for metabolic reactions including dark reactions -

### Methods of $CO_2$ Fixation

The plants can be divided into three groups:

#### ① $C_3$ Plants :

The plants with 3C atoms compounds as a primary initial  $CO_2$  fixation (reduction) product such as:

Wheat, tomato, date palm and others (Grasses) - The  $C_3$  compound is Phosphoglyceric acid (PGA) [Calvin

cycle, Calvin, 1950, California university, USA

#### ② $C_4$ Plants :

The plants with 4C (carbon) atoms compound as a primary initial  $CO_2$  reduction (fixation) product such as corn, sugarcane, and others. This compound is Oxaloacetate. This  $C_4$  (4 Carbon atoms) is known by



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Hatch and Slack, 1960, Biochemists, Australia.

$\text{CO}_2$  Reduction  
fixation  $\rightarrow$  Phosphoenol Pyruvate  
(PEP)  $\xrightarrow{\text{Plants}}$  oxaloacetate ( $\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_5$ )

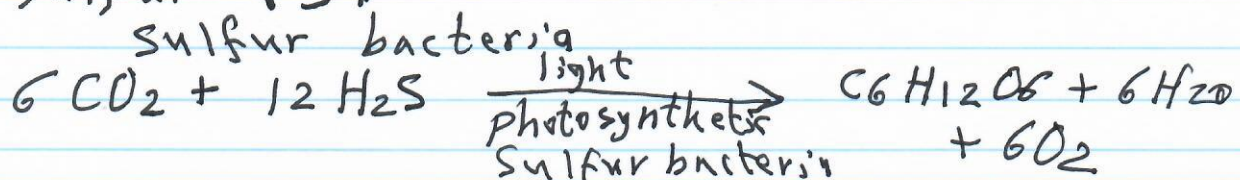
③ CAM (Plants with crassulacean acid metabolism).

This cycle called CAM since it was first investigated in plants of crassulaceae family which are commonly produced crassulacean acid. The plants of this group opening their stomata at night to fix (reduced)  $\text{CO}_2$ .

### Source of oxygen Released in Photosynthesis

Before 1930 it was thought that oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ ) released in photosynthesis process comes from  $\text{CO}_2$ . But idea that  $\text{O}_2$  comes from water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) and not from  $\text{CO}_2$  which is now well established was first given by Van Niel (1930-1931)

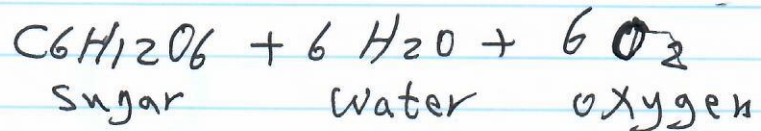
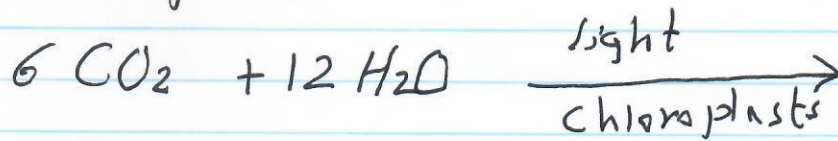
Van Niel observed that in certain photosynthetic bacteria such as green sulfur bacteria, oxygen is not released during photosynthesis. Such bacteria instead of utilizing water use  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  and liberate sulfur (S)





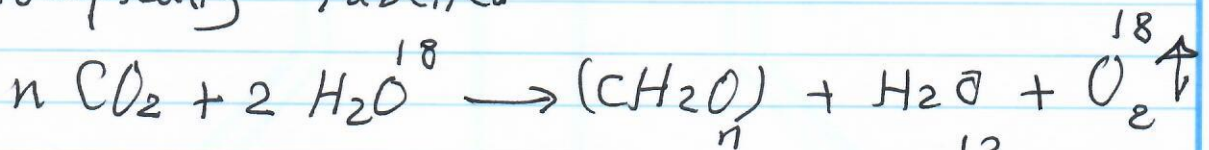
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Green plant

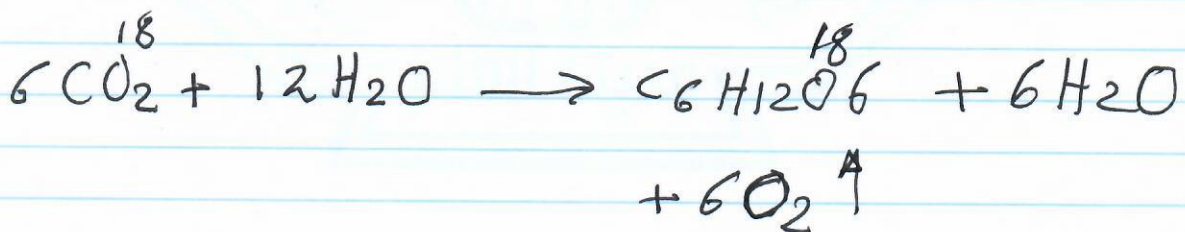
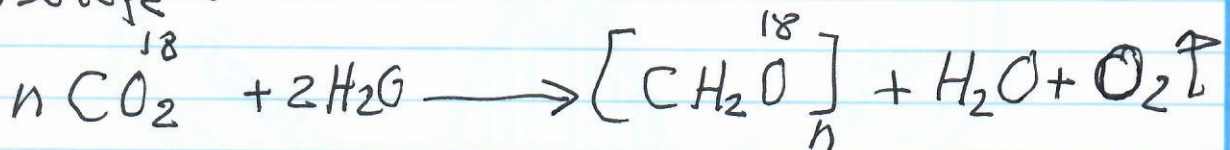


Ruben, Kamen and coworkers (1941) using a heavy isotope of oxygen  $[\text{O}^{18}]$  showed that if the photosynthesis took place in presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}^{18}$  and

normal  $\text{CO}_2$ , the oxygen was found to be isotopically labelled



But if normal  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{CO}_2^{18}$  were supplied, the  $\text{O}_2$  released during photosynthesis did not contain the heavy isotope.





Universal Questions

Q<sub>1</sub> - Put the word True or False :

- 1- Red light energy is more than orange red light energy
- 2- Violet energy is more energy than blue light beam
- 3- Wave length of yellow is range between 422 - 492 nm
- 4- Energy of yellow light is 199.6 KJ/mole

Q<sub>2</sub> : Fill the following blanks

- 1- Energy of light is equal to \_\_\_\_\_ equation
- 2- Frequency of light is equal \_\_\_\_\_
- 3- \_\_\_\_\_ KJ/mole is the energy of blue light
- 4- Length of infra red is \_\_\_\_\_ and its energy \_\_\_\_\_ kcal/mole
- 5- Energy of ~~minimum~~ violet light is equal as compared with red light by \_\_\_\_\_ folds

Q<sub>3</sub> : Select the correct answer:

- 1- The amount of carbon fixed by plants are equal (ton/year) as
  - a -  $1.08 \times 10^{10}$
  - b)  $2.08 \times 10^{10}$
  - c)  $10.8 \times 10^{10}$
  - d) none of them



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- 2- Total energy fixed by green plants is about,
- a) 0.05    b) 0.05-0.1    d) 0.5 of total radiation
- 3- The total energy fixed by plant ( $\text{cal./cm}^2$ ) is,
- a) 139    b) 49    c) 29    d) 39
- 4- Photosynthesis process is considered as process,
- a) oxidation    b) reduction    c)  $\text{CO}_2$  reduction  
d) none of them -

Q4 = Complete the following:

- 1- The important role of photosynthesis are 1-2-3-
- 2- Photosynthesis process is followed ~~division~~ -
- 3- Nutrients required for photosynthesis are 1-2-3-4-
- 4- Material required for photosynthesis are 1-2-3-4-5-6-

Homeworks

- (\*) Calculate the energy of red light has wave length 700 nm (by kcal/mole, and kJoule/mole units) (Asw: 40.92, 171.2 kJ/mole)
- (\*) If you know: two lights wave length are 290 and 700 nm. Calculate the energy of each of them, and compare between them



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الطبعة 8

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## تكملة وحدة 8 الثاني

- \* تكلمة البند الصوتي
- \* الصيغة البنية للكربونات  $CaCO_3$
- \* متلذذات احتزال  $CO_2$
- \* الحفازات الكيميائية للكربونات  $CaCO_3$
- \* العوامل المؤثرة في عملية البند الصوتي
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## صناعات البند الصوتي

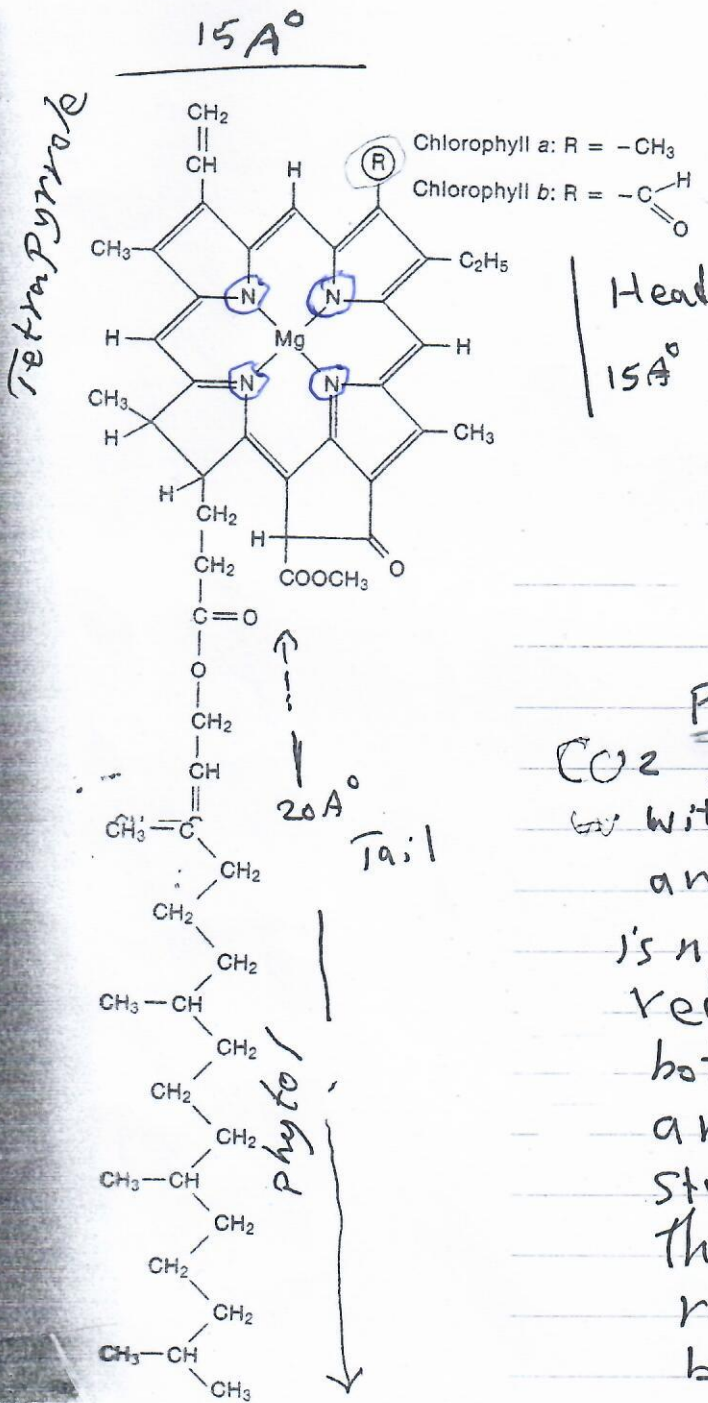
- \* وحدات البند الصوتي والانتظمة البنية
- \* تركيب مكونات البند الصوتي
- \* عملية البند
- \* دور والهيبة تغاير البند
- \* الفروق بين البند الصوتي المحلي والبعيد
- \* الفروق الرئيسية بين  $C_3$  و  $C_4$  البند



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Fig 1. showing the chemical composition of chl. a, and b.

$\text{\AA}^\circ$  - Angstrom  
= 0.1 nm



Photosynthesis is consisted CO<sub>2</sub> fixation and accompany with it water photolysis and release O<sub>2</sub> (CO<sub>2</sub> is not related to CO<sub>2</sub> reduction, because of both O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> are oxidants). Many studies were confirmed that O<sub>2</sub> is not related to CO<sub>2</sub> fixation by using heavy isotope <sup>18</sup>O.

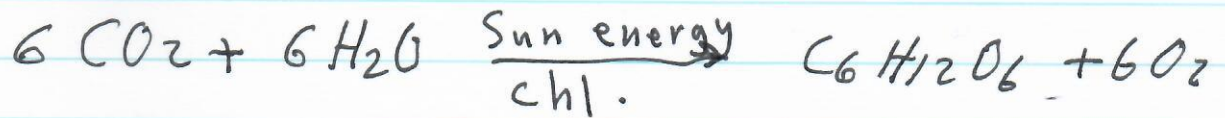
- CO<sub>2</sub> reduction process is required
- 1 - Source of photo energy
  - 2 - Source of energy capture
  - 3 - Energy storage ways.





Photosynthesis Process Stages:

Generally photosynthesis is expressed by the following chemical equation:



The following equation is expressed for photosynthesis efficiently

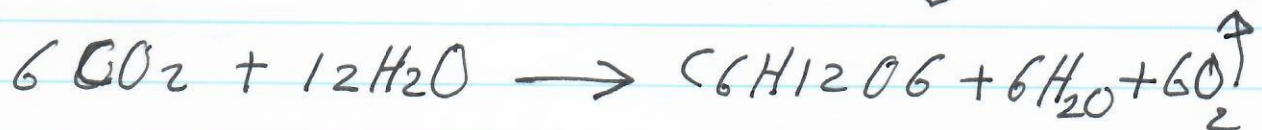


Table is shown the photosynthesis pigments

Pigment	Chemical Composition	Molecular Wt. (g).
Chlorophyll a	$\text{C}_{55} \text{H}_{72} \text{O}_5 \text{N}_4 \text{Mg}$	892.32
Chlorophyll b	$\text{C}_{55} \text{H}_{70} \text{O}_6 \text{N}_4 \text{Mg}$	906.32
Xanthophyll	$\text{C}_{40} \text{H}_{56} \text{O}_2$	568
Carotenoids	$\text{C}_{40} \text{H}_{56}$	536
Phycocyanins	-	-
Phycocerythrin	-	-

Chlorophyll b is more soluble by organic solvents than chl. a (is due to chl. b is contained CHO aldehyde group meanwhile chl. is contained CH<sub>3</sub> methyl group at pyrole cyclic no. 3 (Figure 1))

Factors Affecting Photosynthesis:

## A) External factors

① Light: The light is an essential factor for photosynthesis. It affects the rate of photosynthesis in three ways:

- a - light quality
- b - light intensity
- c - duration of light period.



② Carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ )

An increase in  $CO_2$  concentration upto about 1% increases the rate of photosynthesis. But very concentration may prove toxic and the rate of photosynthesis will go down (decreases))

## ③ Temperature :

Usually, an increase in temperature from  $10^\circ C$  to about  $40^\circ C$  brings about an increase in the rate of the photosynthesis  $Q_{10}$  for photosynthesis is 2.

## ④ Water

## ⑤ Oxygen

B) Internal Factors :

- 1) chl. content
- 2) protoplasmic factors
- 3) Accumulation of the end products of photosynthesis
- 4) Anatomy of leaf
- 5) microstructure of chloroplasts.

Photosynthetic Pigments

Photosynthetic pigments are three types:

- ① Chlorophylls (a, b, ...)
- ② Carotenoids
- ③ phycobilins

Functions of carotenoids are:

- ① protect chlorophylls against photooxidation under extensive light
- ② Absorption the light and then transfer it to chlorophylls pigments.



- ③ Causes phototropism in plants  
 [[ Phototropism → The growth of a plant or plant part toward light (positive phototropism) or away from light (negative phototropism) ]]

Emerson effect and Emerson Enhancement

Emerson and his associates found that the efficiency of photosynthesis is significantly decreased in plant exposed wave length of 680 nm. Also, they found that the efficiency of photosynthesis is increased when plant exposed to short wave length and then followed by long wave length of the light. This phenomenon is called Emerson enhancement.

Photosynthetic Units of Pigment Systems

Photosynthetic units are called Quantosomes and each quantosome is composed by:

- ①  $Mn^{2+}$  (2 ions)      ②  $Cu^{2+}$  (1 ion)
- ③  $Fe^{2+}$  ( 12 ions) [[ 2 ions involve in synthesis of chl. a and b, and 10 ions involve in synthesis of cytochromes ]].
- ④ Forty six molecules of Quinone
- ⑤ Forty eight = = caroten
- ⑥ 150 - 250 molecules of chl. a and chl. b



Photosynthesis is consisted the chemical reactions as:

- ① Photochemical reactions
- ② Biochemical reactions

Also photosynthesis is consisted two kind of reactions at day periods (time) as

- ① - Light reactions
- ② - Dark reactions

Photosynthesis is mainly performed in chloroplasts (سليبي، عيشية) which it is containing the chlorophylls and other pigments.

Chloroplasts form is as spherical, football shaped, disk shaped with diameter is ranged between 5 to 10  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $10^{-6}$  m) (or micron) and a depth of 3 to 4 micron ( $\mu$ ). Plastids no. are ranged between 50 to 200 per cell.

Plastids are containing the following:

- ① - Thylakoids
- ② Stroma
- ③ Grana.

Plastids are composed by proteins which it form as 6% of dry wt. basis. 75% of total N (Nitrogen) in plant are mainly found in chloroplasts.

Stroma is containing DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid) and RNA (Ribonucleic acid) molecules which it is formed about 0.03% of plastids dry weight (d.wt).



Two active pigment systems (PS) are located in granum. They are PS 700 (PSI), and PS 680 (PSII) which present in a ratio of 1:200 molecules of Chlorophyll. These two PS are responsible for receiving the light energy and utilize it in dissociation of water ( $H_2O$ ) and liberate the electrons ( $e^-$ ) that become ready to be received by the acceptors.

### Components Located Between the Pigment Systems

#### ① Plastocyanin

It is a cyclic compound responsible for receiving the electron after dissociation  $H_2O$

#### ② Cytochrome b

#### ③ Cytochrome f

#### ④ Plastocyanin

### Photophosphorylation:

The process by which the plant produce ATP (Adenosine triphosphate) in the presence light and it happens in the plastids through the light reactions.

### Functions of Light Reactions:

- ① Production of oxygen ( $O_2$ ).
- ② Formation of  $NADPH_2$  ( $NADPH + H^+$ ) which is necessary for metabolic reactions including dark reactions.
- ③ Formation of ATP which is necessary for metabolic reactions including dark reactions.



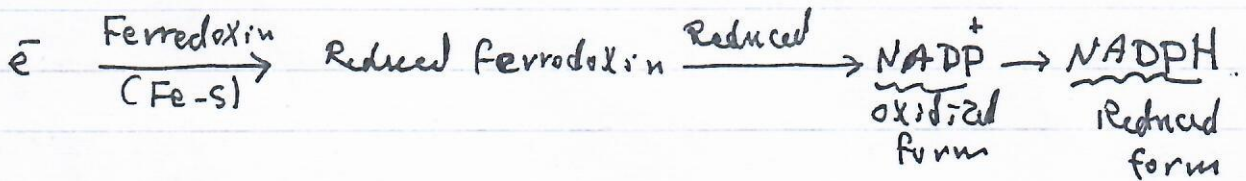
Electrons transfer and photophosphorylation

Photophosphorylation: synthesis of ATP (Adenosine triphosphate) from ADP (Adenosine di phosphate) and inorganic phosphate during the light reactions.

When photosystems I and II exposed to light, both are excited. Photosys. II starts dissociating H<sub>2</sub>O (water) and liberating the electrons (e<sup>-</sup>)

The e<sup>-</sup> → captured by P680 (Sys II) → Q  
 e<sup>-</sup> acceptor

Reduced Q → B → plastocyanine → PS I (P700) → by Cytochrome  
 Carrier and cytochrome f (Both located in PSI)



The NADPH<sub>2</sub> is used to fix (reduced) CO<sub>2</sub> in the dark reactions (Fig. 1)

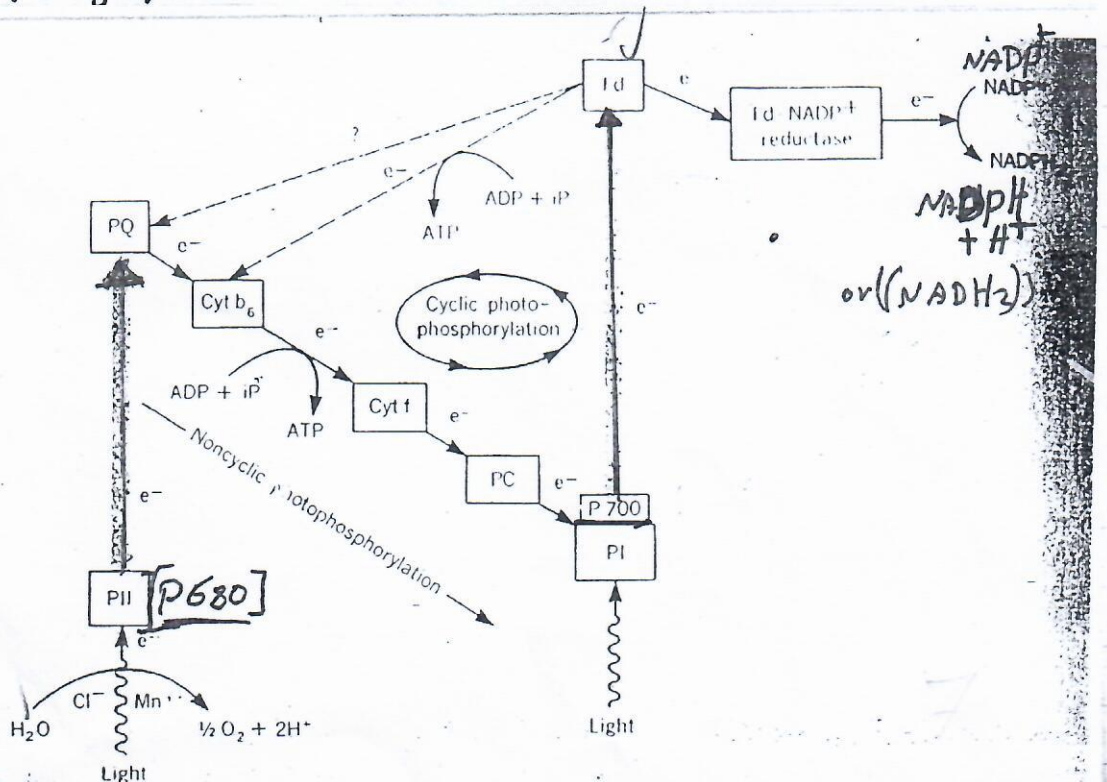


Fig. 1. Schematic representation of photoelectron transport in the chloroplast. PII = pigment system II, PQ = plastoquinone, Cyt b<sub>6</sub> = cytochrome b<sub>6</sub>, Cyt f = cytochrome f, PC = plastocyanin, PI = pigment system I, and Fd = ferredoxin. See discussion in text for further details.



Photophosphorylation

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Cyclic Electron Transport and photophosphorylation	Non-cyclic Electron Transport and Photophosphorylation
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Associated with pigment system I (P700)</li> <li>2- The electron expelled from chlorophyll molecule is cycled back</li> <li>3- photolysis of water and evolution (release) of <math>O_2</math> don't take place</li> <li>4- Phosphorylation take place at <u>two</u> places</li> <li>5- <math>NADP^+</math> is not reduced</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- Associated with both PSI (P700) and PSII (P680)</li> <li>2- The <math>e^-</math> expelled from chlorophyll molecule is not cycled back</li> <li>3- photolysis of water and release of <math>O_2</math> take place</li> <li>4- Phosphorylation take place at <u>one</u> places</li> <li>5- <math>NADP^+</math> is reduced to <math>NADPH + H^+</math></li> </ol>

$C_4$  Differences Between  $C_3$  and  $C_4$  plants:

$C_3$ Plants	$C_4$ Plants
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- <math>C_3</math> plants example: wheat, oats, cotton, barley, rice, beans, spinach, sunflower, etc.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>C_4</math> plants example: maize, sorghum, Atriplex, etc.</li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2- Carbon pathway is <math>C_3</math> (Calvin cycle) only Calvin Pathway</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2- Carbon pathway is <math>C_4</math>, (Hatch-Slack pathway)</li> </ol>



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Differences Between C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> Plants

C<sub>3</sub> Plants

C<sub>4</sub> Plants

3 - First compound is phosphoglyceric acid [PGA]	3 - First compound is oxaloacetic acid [OAA]
4 - Optimum temperature is from low to high	4 - Optimum temperature is High
5 - Photorespiration occurs	5 - No photorespiration happens.
6 - Photosynthetically less efficient	6 - Photosynthetically more efficient
7 - Carbonic anhydrase enzyme activity is high	7 - It is low
8 - Optimum temperature growth is low to high	8 - It is <u>low</u> only
9 - Low efficiency of CO <sub>2</sub> fixation	9 - High efficiency of CO <sub>2</sub> fixation
10 - Low productivity as compared with C <sub>4</sub> plants	10 - High productivity as compared with C <sub>3</sub> plants
11 - The enzyme involved in CO <sub>2</sub> fixation is Ribulose diphosphate Carboxylase	11 - The enzyme involved in CO <sub>2</sub> fixation is phosphoenolpyruvate Carboxylase
12 - PEP locates in cytoplasm	12 - RuBP locates in chloroplasts



# Photosynthesis

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### Objective Type Questions

Q<sub>1</sub> : Select the correct answer.

- 1- photosynthesis is,  
a) catabolic b) amphibolic b) anabolic d) none of them
- 2- In photosynthesis, light energy is converted into,  
a) heat energy b) O<sub>2</sub> and hexose sugar c) chemical energy d) none of them
- 3- Most of the photosynthesis in world is carried out by  
a) marine algae  
b) bacteria c) forests d) grass lands.
- 4- which of the following is not required for photosynthesis?  
a) CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O b) light c) green plants d) none of them

Q<sub>2</sub> : Put the word True or False:

- 1- In photosynthesis, light energy is converted into heat energy.
- 2- Higher plants contain chl. a and chl. b.
- 3- Blue light has more energy per photon than UV (ultraviolet)
- 4- Reaction center of pigment system I (PSI) is P-680
- 5- Plastocyanin is a component of electron transport chain in chloroplasts.

Q<sub>3</sub> : Fill the following blanks:

- 1- \_\_\_\_\_ reaction center of pigment system I.



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2. \_\_\_\_\_ is a component of electron transport chain in chloroplasts
3. The process of photosynthesis is a complicated process.
4. Calvin cycle is also known as \_\_\_\_\_
5. Oxygen gas comes from water and not from \_\_\_\_\_.

Q4 - Define briefly of the following:

PSII, P700, Calvin cycle, C<sub>3</sub> pathway, plastoquinone

Q5 - Count of the following:

- 1) The amount energy is released from light beam with 600 nm ( $1 \text{ nm} = 10^{-9} \text{ meter}$ )  
(Kcal/mole ; KJ/mole)
- 2) The energy of two light beams with 280 and 700 nm (Kcal/mole ; KJ/mole)
- 3) The weight of reactants component and products component in photosynthesis equation, if you know (Atomic wt. of C = 12, H = 1, O = 16)

Q6 - Differentiate between:

- 1) PSI and PSII (write five only)
- 2) Chl a and chl. b (write six only)
- 3) C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>4</sub> Plants (write six only)



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Q7: Define photosynthesis. Give the details of light reaction of photosynthesis

Q8: Universal Questions:

- (1) - What are C3 plants?
- (2) - What are C4 plants?

Q9: Choose the correct answer for column-1 from column-2.

Column-1

column-2

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| * PS II                              | a - P700  |
| * photosynthesis is                  | b - catabolic process                             |
| * UV energy is more than             | c - blue energy                                   |
| * light energy is converted to       | d - heat energy                                   |
| * Chl-a and chl-b                    | e - C3 plants                                     |
| * Hatch and Slack                    | f - 0.3%  |
| * CO <sub>2</sub> concentration is   | g - CO <sub>2</sub>                               |
| * Pigment system                     | h - P680  |
| * Plastoquinone                      | i - anabolic process                              |
| * Source of oxygen released from     | j - red energy                                    |
| * photosynthesis                     | k - plants  |
| * PSI                                | l - chemical energy                               |
| * Light reactions                    | m - C4 plants                                     |
| * CAM                                | n - 0.03%   |
| * Required CO <sub>2</sub> reduction | o - quanta some                                   |
| u - crassulacean acid metabolism     | p - electron carrier                              |
| v - source of photon energy          | q - water   |
| x - source of chemical energy        | r - plastocyanin                                  |
|                                      | s - O <sub>2</sub> , NADPH + H <sup>+</sup> , ATP |