

# RECEPTORS & Intracellular signaling Molecules

## Pharmacology

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### Ligands

: Substance which bind with receptor.

- e.g.: ① Hormones
- ② Neurotransmitters
- ③ Drugs
- ④ Toxins
- ⑤ Chemical substances



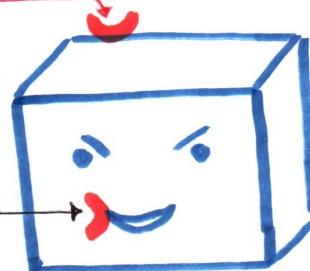
### Receptor

: Receptor are Macromolecules to which ligand binds.

\* If ligand binds to a substance which does not cause any biological function, such substance are not called receptor: e.g.: plasma protein

**There are two main groups of Receptors**

① Large molecular wt  
OR  
high Polar  
e.g. Peptides



② small molecular wt  
highly lipid soluble

- \* Those molecules which are large and highly polar, can't pass through membrane, so they act on membrane, so this is called Cell Surface receptor.
- \* Those molecules which are small & highly lipid soluble their receptors are present inside the cell.

### RECEPTORS

#### cell surface receptor

##### Peptide hormone

- Insulin
  - GH
  - prolactin
  - FSH
  - LH
  - TSH
  - etc....
- Large molecules

##### Catecolamin

- Epinephrin
  - Nor Epinephrin
  - Dopamin
  - Ach
  - 5HT
  - Histamin
  - Prostaglandine
  - etc....
- high polar

#### Receptor within cell

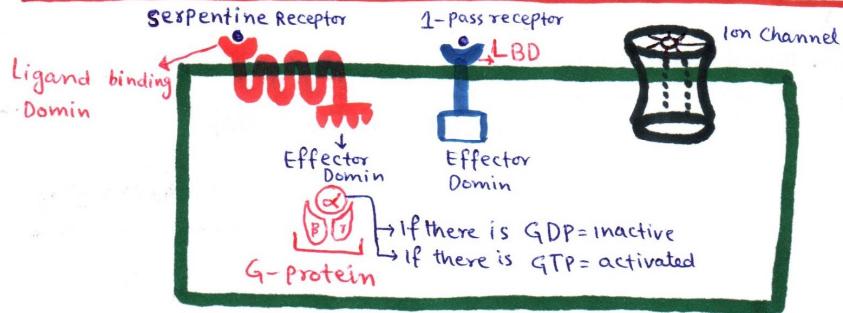
##### Steroid hormones like:

- Testosteron
- Progesteron
- estrogen
- Aldosteron
- Glucocorticoid

Vit-D  
high Lipid soluble

- T<sub>3</sub>, T<sub>4</sub>
  - Retinoid
- Small molecular weight

# Receptors which are Expressed on the surface of cell



\* Serpentine means "SNAKE")  
b/c This receptor is like snake.

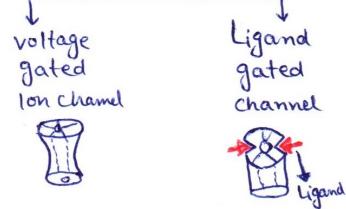
## Serpentine receptor

Catecholamines  
Ach.  
Prostaglandine  
Histamine  
STh  
TSH

## 1-pass receptor

Inner domain of 1-pass receptor is usually Enzyme so it is also called:  
(Enzyme linked receptor)

## Ion channel

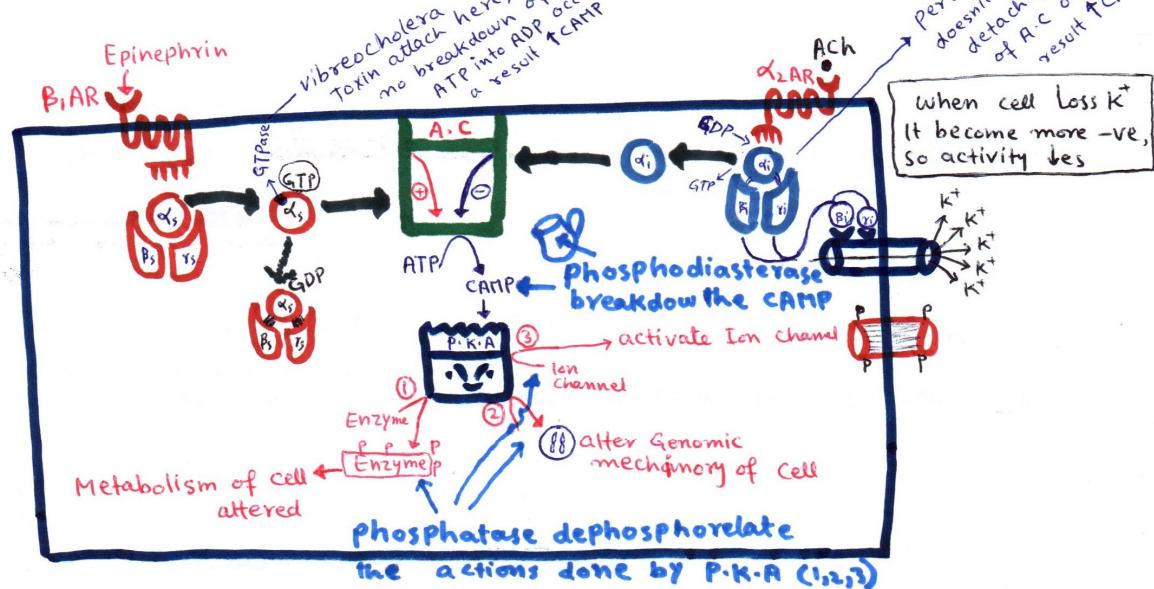


## Review of cell surface receptors

Serpentine R  
OR  
7-pass R  
OR  
G-protein Coupled R

one pass R  
or  
Enzyme Linked receptor

Ligand operated ion channel  
OR  
Voltage gated ion channel



- when  $\alpha$  sub unit stimulate the A-C (Adenyl cyclase), so the GTP break down into GDP.
- \* when  $\alpha$  unit remain with GDP (less energy), it attached to  $\beta\gamma$  unit again.
  - \* when  $\alpha$  unit gain GTP, it detaches from  $\beta\gamma$  units & activate A-C

- Ligand is called 1st messenger to cell
- cAMP is called 2nd messenger to cell
- G-protein is called Biological switcher

this whole system is called Biological amplifier system.

Epinephrine & Ach are countering each other.

\* Epinephrine  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  cAMP

\* Ach  $\rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  cAMP

GTPase is an internal enzyme of  $\alpha$  subunit, so when  $\alpha$  unit stimulate the A-C, then this GTPase breakdown GTP into GDP.

**phosphodiesterase breakdown the cAMP.**

\* Tea, CocaCola, Pepsi..... Inhibit the phosphodiesterase, so the activity of cAMP increase up in the cell.

**phosphatase inhibit the phosphorylated substances, which were phosphorylated by P.K.A.**

\* In these above example we see at every step there is balance system going on in the body.

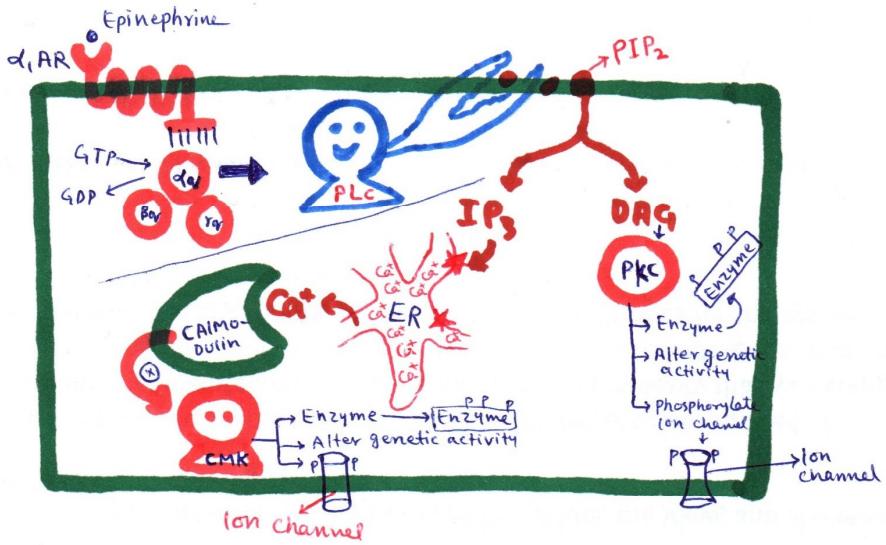
**Pertosis  $\rightarrow$  Toxin  $\rightarrow$  G i protein ( $\alpha_i\beta_i\gamma_i$  fuse with each other)**

**so G-protein not detach from each other to produce effect on A.C.**

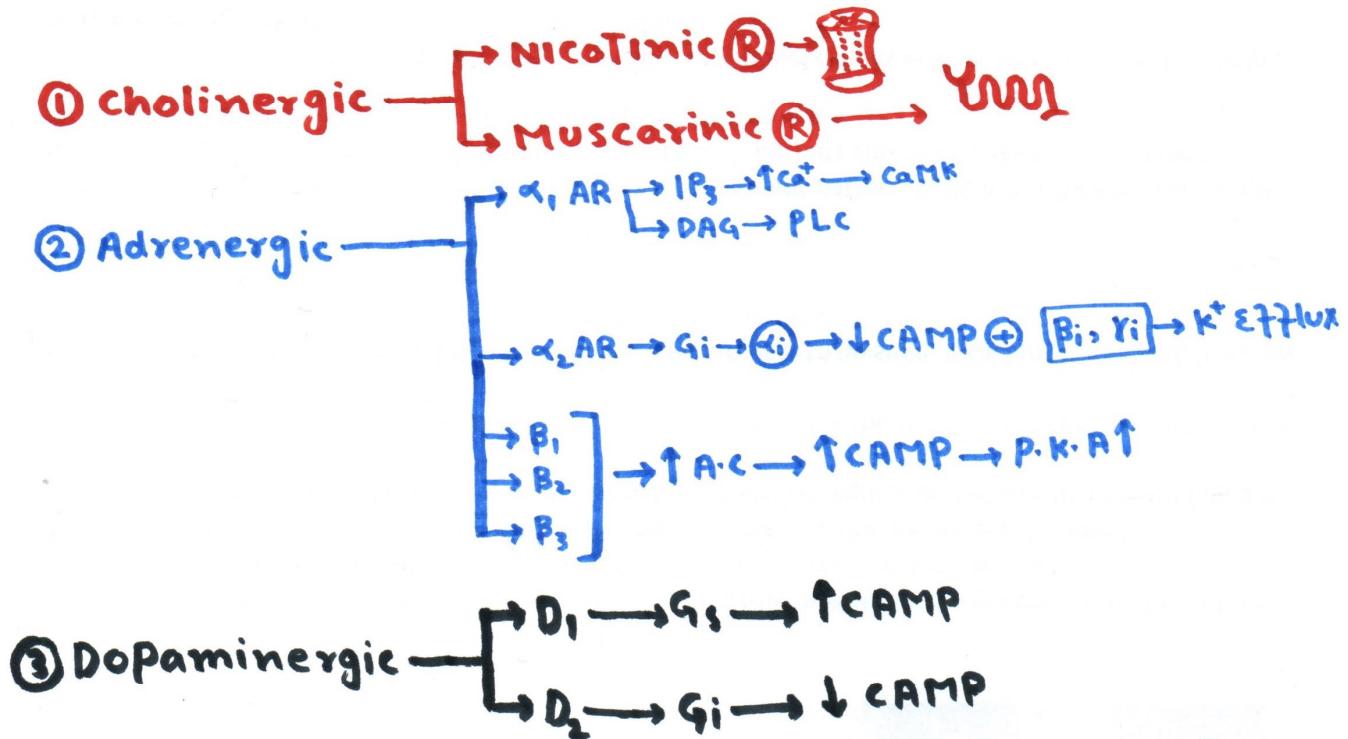
When pertosis (Microbe) produce Toxin in respiratory system, Toxin is taken by respiratory cell &  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  will undergo ribosylation process, they are put together & not dissociated, So Gi protein remain off OFF is ON forever. & the cAMP action enhanced & not inhibited.

**vibrio cholera**  $\rightarrow$  cholera Toxin  $\rightarrow$  goes into GIT cells, & inhibit the intrinsic GTPase of Gs protein, so the ATP doesn't breakdown from  $\alpha_s$  unit, so it stimulate A-C for more time, so we say ON is ON Forever. & the action of cAMP increase  $\rightarrow$  Diarrhea occur.

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Calmodulin → Protein which can be modulated by  $\text{Ca}^+$ ;  $\text{E}_1$  form  
 $\text{Ca}^+$ -Calmodulin Complex which activate CMK → which has 3-actions.



\* Muscarinic receptor Antagonist:

- ① ATOpin
- ② Scopolamine
- ③ Pirenziphenine

\* Drugs which block  $\alpha_1$  receptor:

- ① Phentolamine  $\xrightarrow{\alpha_1 \text{AR}}$
- ② Phenoxybenzamine
- ③ Prazosin ( $\alpha_1\text{AR}$ )
- ④ Terazosine ( $\alpha_1\text{AR}$ )

\* Drugs which block  $\alpha_2$  receptor:

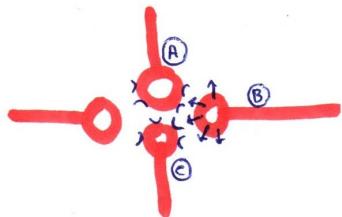
- ① Yohimbine

\* Drugs which block  $\beta$ -receptors:

- ① Propranolol
- ② Metoprolol
- ③ Acebutolol
- ④ Esmolol
- ⑤ Atenolol
- ⑥ Timolol

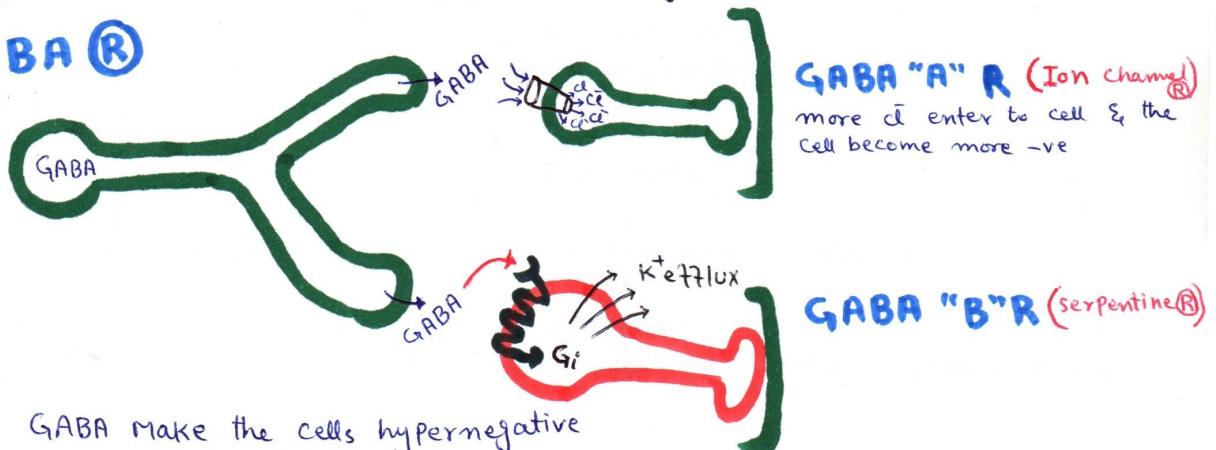
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④ Purinergic R → A TYPE (serpentine) sensitive to Adenosine  
B TYPE → sensitive to ATP



If for example B neuron has high metabolic rate, and large amount of ATP is utilized & release adenosine. This adenosine diffuse acts on nearby cells Adenosine receptor & show that metabolism of a cell is high

⑤ GABA R



GABA "A" R (Ion channel)  
more  $\text{Cl}^-$  enter to cell & the cell become more -ve

GABA "B" R (serpentine)

GABA make the cells hypernegative

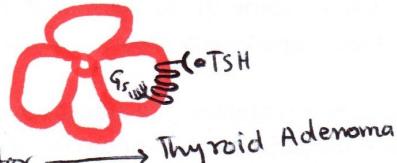
→ Drugs which stimulate GABA "A" receptor.

- ① Benzodiazepine    ② Barbiturates

→ Effect of drugs on GABA "B" receptor.

- ① Baclofen → agonist of GABA-B
- ② Saclofan → antagonist of GABA-B

⑥ TSH R



Mutant TSH receptor → Thyroid Adenoma

⑦ LH-R

If This receptor is non functional, it lead to precocious puberty (Puberty at age 6y)

⑧ ACTH R (serpentine)

If there is defective gene for this receptor it lead to:  
"Familial Glucocorticoid deficiency".

⑨ Receptor for Rhodopsin:

If this receptor is defective, it can lead to "Retinitis pigmentosa".

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## ⑩ Neuropeptide R → (Serpentine)

Vasopressin (ADH) → V<sub>1</sub> (Receptor present in vascular system)  
 V<sub>2</sub> (receptor present in Cortical collecting Tubule)

If V<sub>2</sub> is defective person suffer of X-linked Diabetic insipidus.

⑪ Ang II R Present in arteries, veins zona glomerulosa of adrenal gland  
 ↓ Ym2

⑫ OPIATES: Ym1 e.g. Endorphin, Enkephalin

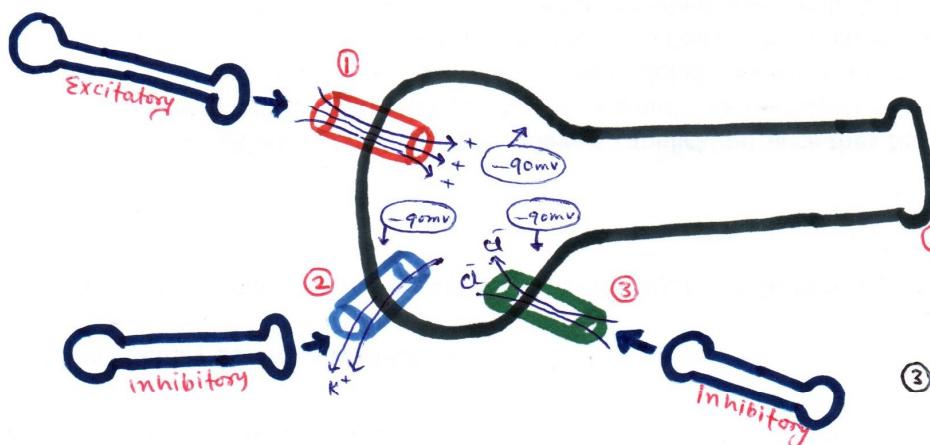
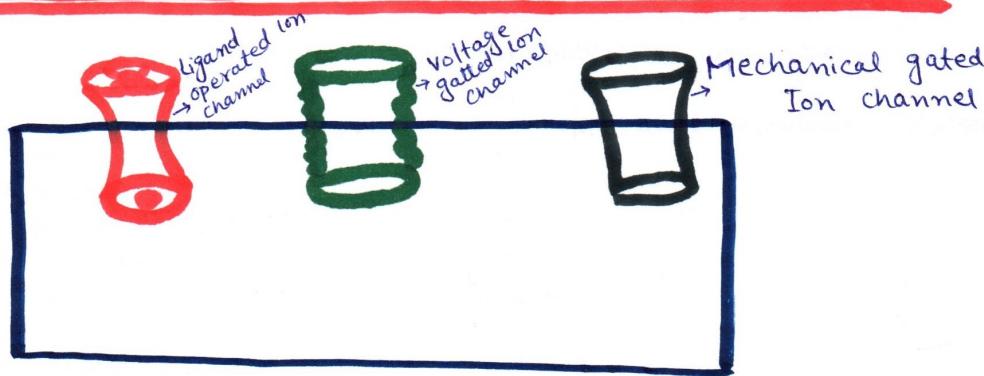
⑬ VIP (vasoactive intestinal peptidase) → Ym2

⑭ oxytocin → Ym2

## ION CHANNEL LINKED RECEPTORS

Ligand operated ion-channel can be stimulated by:

- ① Neurotransmitter
- ② Hormones
- ③ chemicals



① when cations move in, cell become electro+ve & RMP goes to threshold, & cell Excited

② when cell loss more K<sup>+</sup>, cell become electro-ve, & hyperpolarized

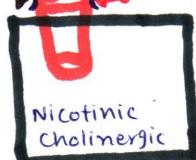
③ when more -ve ions (Cl<sup>-</sup>) enter to cell, cell become electro-ve.

# Ligand gated Ion channel

## Excitatory Transmitter gated ion channel

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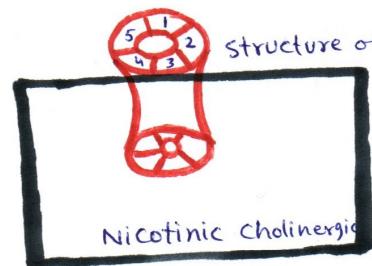
### ① Nicotinic Cholinergic (R)



Nicotinic cholinergic (R) is basically Ion channel

- These receptors can bind with:
  - Acetylcholine
  - Nicotine

Muscarinic cholinergic (R) are basically serpentine  
this receptor can bind with:  
 → Acetylcholine  
 → Muscarine



Structure of Ion channel  
Made from 5-peptide proteins

\* one nicotinic cholinergic (R)  
can bind with two Ach.

\* This channel also cause inside movement of:

\* Antagonist of this receptor:

- Tubocurare
- $\alpha$ -Bungarotoxin

### ② 5 HT-3 (R)

Antagonist of this receptor

- Antiemetic
- Antipsychotic
- Anxiolytic

### ③ Glutamate (R)

This type of receptor need double stimulation i.e. ligand (Glutamate) from outside & voltage from inside.

Normally  $Mg^{+}$  bind to this receptor, when the receptor are stimulated  $Mg^{+}$  will move away from receptor

$Ca^{+}$  goes in.

Antagonist of NMDA R

- Phencyclidine
- Diazocycline

Let suppose

Ach = ←

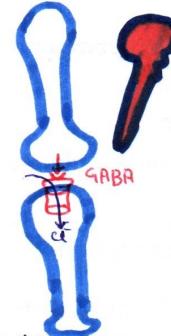
Nicotine = ←

Muscarine = ●

## Inhibitory transmitter gated ion channel

### GABA

for whole CNS



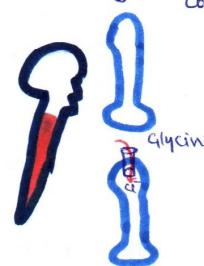
Cell become hyperpolarized

### \* GABA antagonist

- picrotoxin
- Bicuculline
- Penicillin

### Glycin

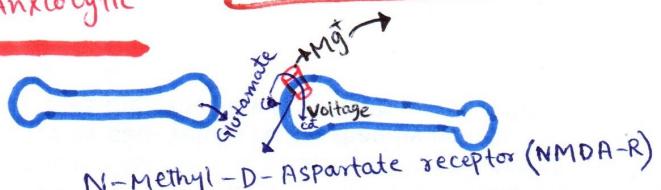
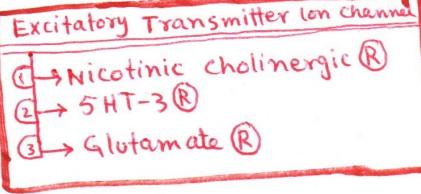
only for spinal cord



Benzodiazepine ↑ frequency of opening of this channel

Barbiturate ↑ duration of open of this channel

Steroid Metabolite

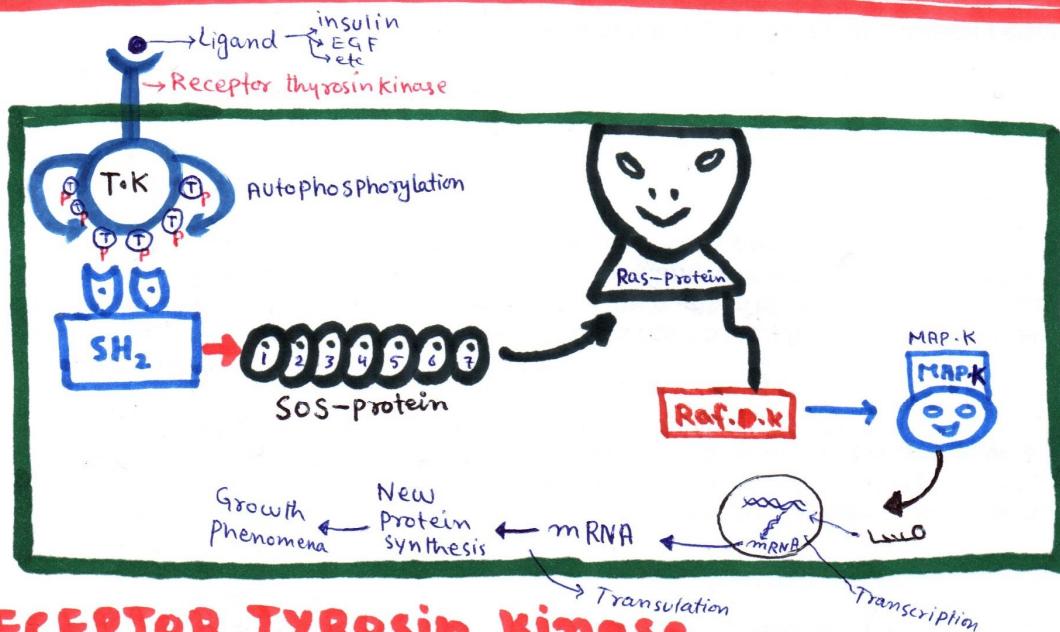


\* If NMDA-R are over stimulated, it cause degenerative changes, by  $Ca^{+}$  intoxication

\* Glutamate help in long term memory

# ENZYME LINKED SINGIE PASS RECEPTOR

hav 5 TYPES



## I) RECEPTOR TYROSIN KINASE:

- ① Insulin ② Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF) ③ Nerve growth Factor (NGF)
- ④ Platelet growth Factor ⑤ Vascular Endothelial growth factor
- ⑥ Plasma growth factors ⑦ Fibroblast growth factors, are bind as a ligand to this receptor.

This enzyme (T.K) have intrinsic tyrosin kinase activity, which cause phosphorylation of its own tyrosine residue this process is called "AUTOPHOSPHORYLATION".

Sulphydral protein which has two sulphydral domin, comes & bind only with phosphorylated tyrosin residue, then sulphydral protein themselfre activated; and activate another protein called "SOS protein" (Son of seven protein) they are going to activate another protein called "Ras-protein" which is a monomeric G-protein. Ras protein loose GDP & gain GTP, & become activated, Activated ras protein activate "RAF Protein Kinase". the Raf protein activate "MAP-K" (Mitogen activating protein) kinase. This MAP.Kinase cause phosphorylation of Transcription factor, phosphorylated Transcription factor pass from nucleus, & initiate Transcription, so mRNA formed → Protein → Growth phenomena

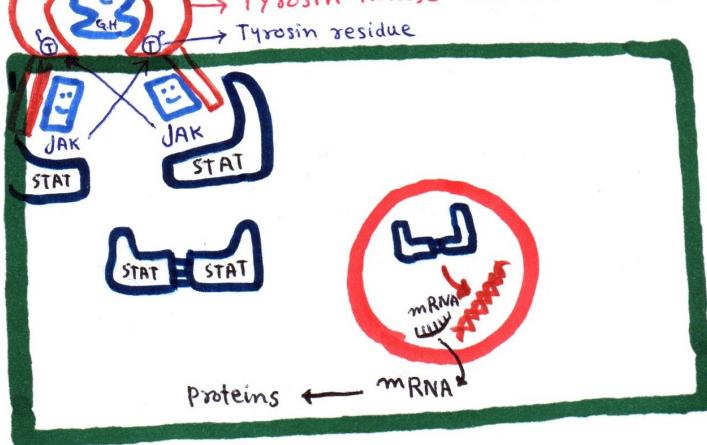
- ① Ligand → ② T.K → ③ Autophosphorylation → ④ Sulphydral protein →
- ⑤ SOS protein → ⑥ Ras protein → ⑦ Raf.P.K → ⑧ MAP.Kinase →
- ⑨ Gene regulated elements → ⑩ Transcription → ⑪ mRNA → ⑫ translated to protein
- ⑬ Growth phenomena.

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## ② Tyrosine Kinase associated receptor (TKAR)

Bind with ligand & ligand cause dimerization of receptor.

G.H. This enzyme donot have intrinsic Tyrosine kinase activity but they bind with another T.K called JAK (Janus kinase).



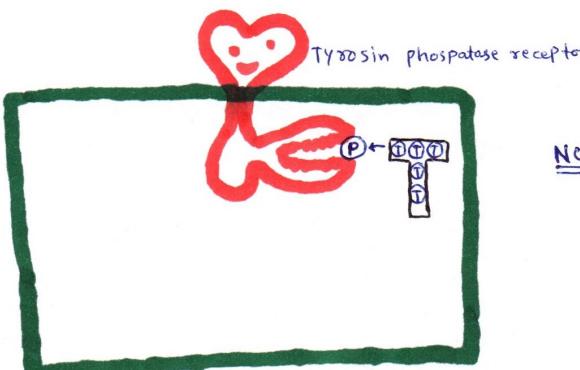
JAK Cause cross phosphorylation of tyrosin residue.

phosphorylated tyrosin bind with another protein called "STAT" (signal Transducer activation of Transcription). STAT than separated from Tyrosine residue & crosslink with each other & Translocated to nucleus.

Ligands which use this pathway are:  
(1) prolactin (2) IL-2 (3) cytokines (4) T-cell receptor (5) B-cell receptor

## ③ Tyrosin phosphatase receptor

This receptor are dephosphorylating the Tyrosine residue.

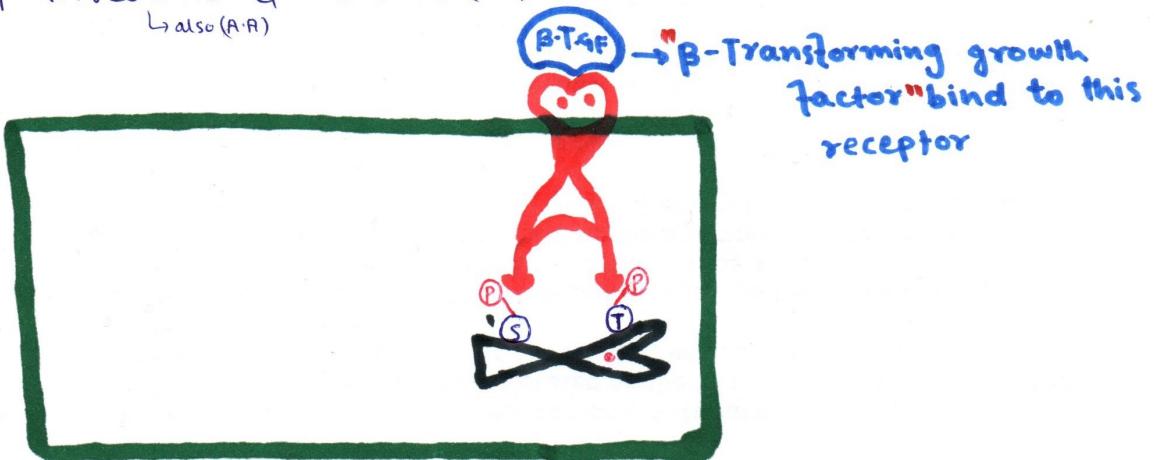


NOTE: This Enzyme cause dephosphorylation of Tyrosine residue

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## ④ Serine Threonin kinase receptor

This receptor cause to lead to phosphorylation of threonine & serine (A·A)  
↳ also (A·R)



" $\beta$ -Transforming growth factor" bind to this receptor

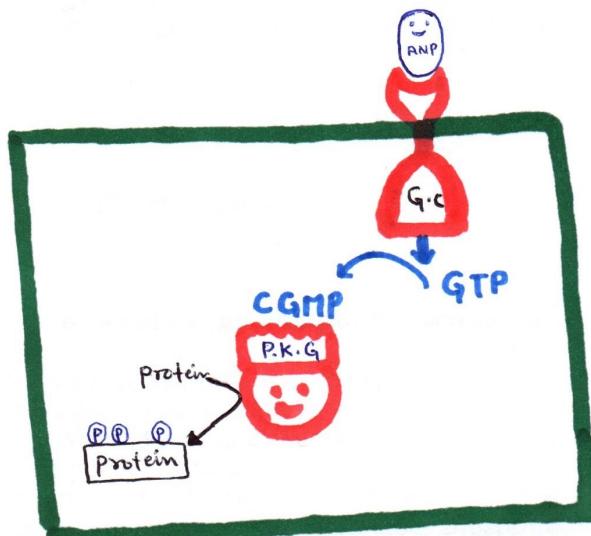
## ⑤ one pass Guanyl cyclase receptor

When ANP (Atrial natriuretic peptide) bind with this receptor, the Guanyl cyclase part of receptor Convert GTP into  $\rightarrow$  CGMP.

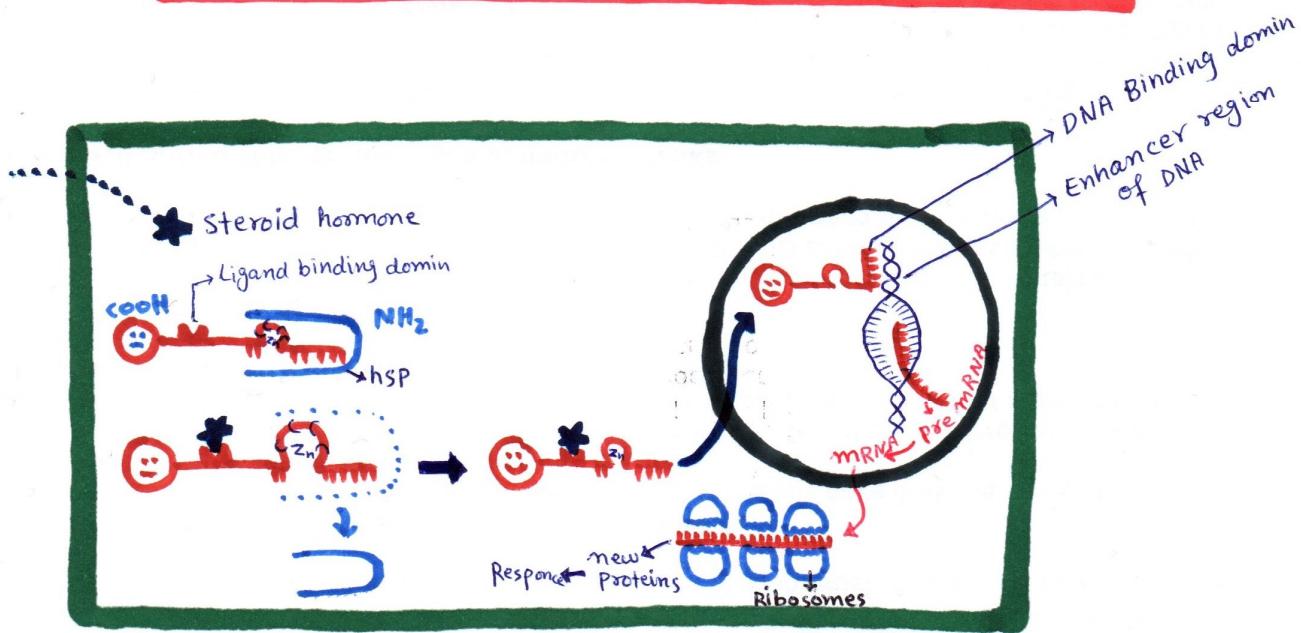
- \* The CGMP activate "Protein kinase G" which phosphorelate certain proteins.

There are two types of Guanyl cyclase receptors:

- ⇒ one is the part of Guanyl cyclase receptor &
- ⇒ other type is cytosolic, they are activated by Nitric oxide (NO) & this Guanyl cyclase cause conversion of GTP  $\rightarrow$  CGMP, but this is different from one pass receptor.



# INTRACELLULAR RECEPTORS



Before Ligand binding with receptor, the

"DNA binding domin" is covered by  
HSP (Heat shock protein)

when ligand bind to receptor, the hsp  
are removed & DNA binding domin become  
exposed & activated.

This receptor is then transferred to  
nucleus, within the DNA binding domin  
binds to a specific region of DNA which  
is called "Enhancer region of DNA", and

DNA start opening, & a pre mRNA are  
formed, then mRNA, the mRNA are transported  
to Ribosome, & new protein are made from  
it, & do its action.

In DNA binding Domain, there is ~~Zinc~~ Zinc  
molecule, attached to ~~4~~ ~~long~~ Lysine crosslinked.

This is a delayed process to ligand it  
takes 30min → 1hr

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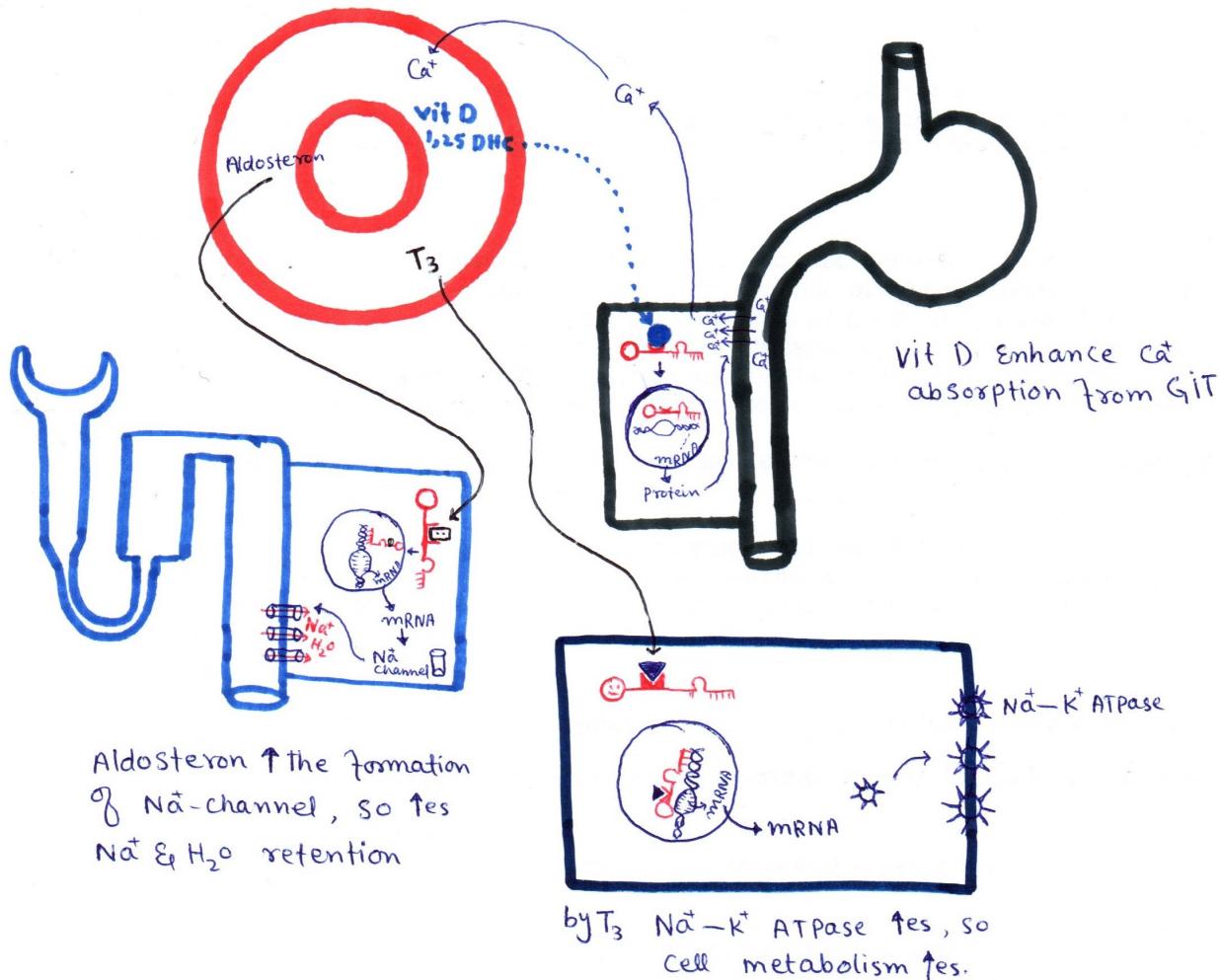
Intracytoplasmic receptors  
\* STD ⇒ steroid, T<sub>3</sub>, T<sub>4</sub>, Vit D

Receptors within the nucleus  
Retinoids, T<sub>3</sub>

## Ligands

- Steroids
  - Estrogen
  - Progesterone
  - Testosterone
  - Aldosterone
  - Glucocorticoids
  - Vit D
- T<sub>3</sub>, T<sub>4</sub>
- Retinoids

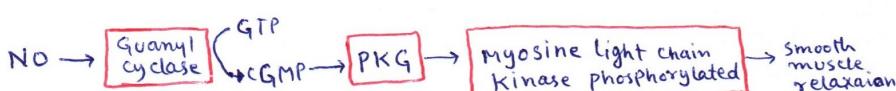
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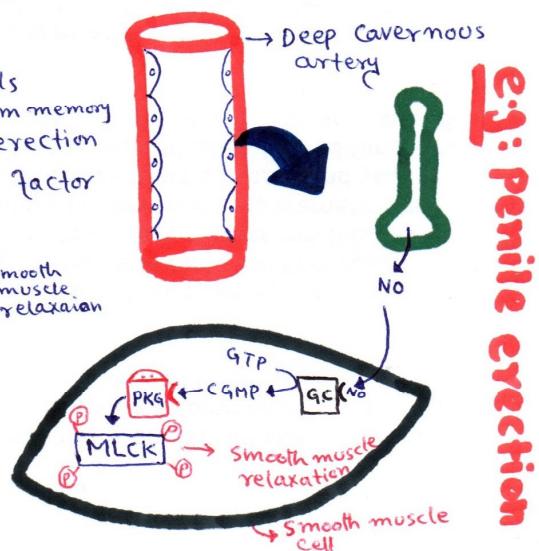
## Function of other intracellular

For Example Ligand = NO (nitric oxide) a gas, with half life of 5 sec.  
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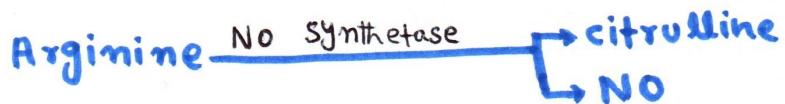
- Macrophage → bactericidal, tumoricidal, chemicals
- Neurons → Neurotransmitters  $\xrightarrow{\text{CNS}} \text{short term memory}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{PNS}} \text{penile erection}$
- Endothelial cells → Endothelial derived releasing factor



MLCK are when phosphorylated, they become inactive, so it fail to cause phosphorylation of contractile protein, as a result smooth muscle relaxes & lead to arteriodilation.



## How NO are Produced in the body:



When "nitric oxide synthetase act on the arginine, from it "citrulline" and Nitric oxide come.

NO also present in:

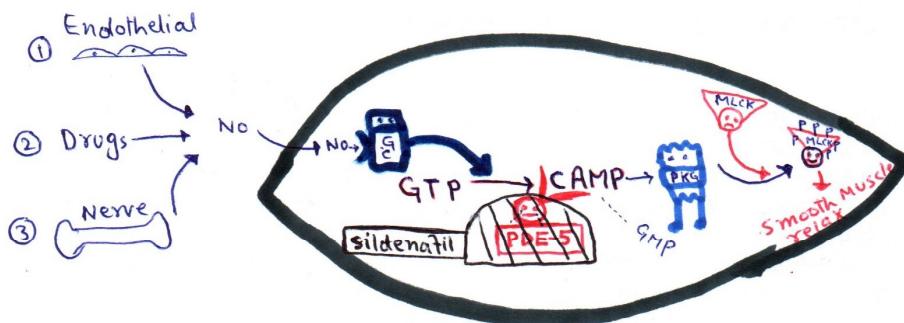
- ① GTN (Glycerile Tri Nitrate)
- ② Isosorbide dinitrate
- ③ Isosorbide Mononitrate
- ④ Nitroprusside

smooth muscles around the deep cavernous artery of penis & sinosides of Corpora Cavernosa of penis take nitric oxide & Muscle will dilate, & blood flow to penis increase & erection occur.

## SILDENAFIL → VIAGRA

sildenafil is active ingredient in viagra.

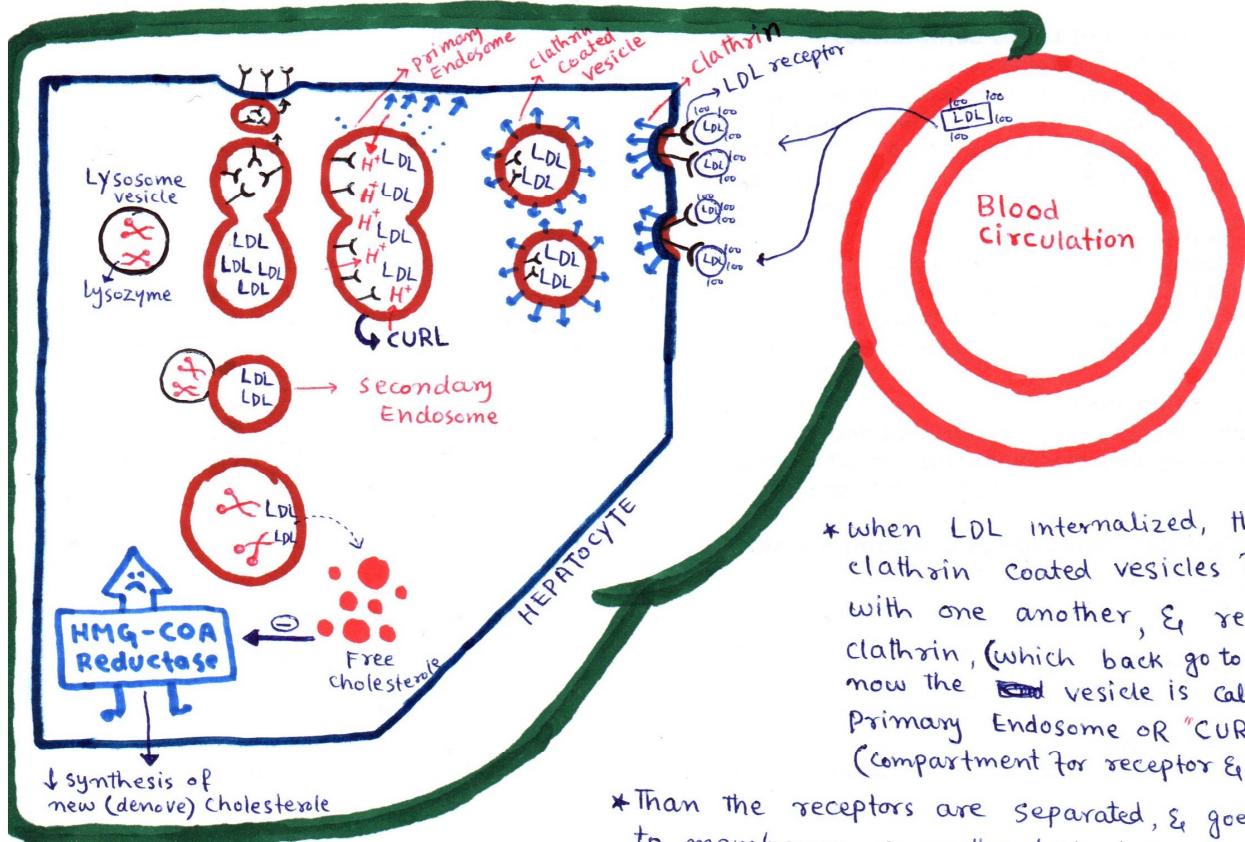
sildenafil binds to PDE-5 (Phospho di-esterase-5) & inhibit them, so the destruction of cGMP not occur, which cause smooth muscle relaxation in penis Muscle, b/c no activation of contractile units.



# Receptor Mediated Endocytosis

In Endocytosis certain substances are internalized into cell.  
This is an active transport mechanism.

e.g. Endocytosis of LDL by hepatocytes.



\* When LDL internalized, the clathrin coated vesicles fuses with one another, & release clathrin, (which back go to membrane) now the ~~clathrin~~ vesicle is called Primary Endosome OR "CURL" (compartment for receptor & ligand)

\* Then the receptors are separated, & goes back to membrane, & on the LDL, lysosomes attack & called "Secondary Endosome".

\* The lysozyme release Free cholesterol from LDL, the Free cholesterol inhibit HMG-CoA Reductase.

The HMG-CoA Reductase makes new cholesterol.

So when there is high LDL the, ~~HMG-CoA~~ strongly inhibited, when the LDL is low the HMG-CoA not inhibited & more cholesterol are formed; so the liver controls cholesterol level in blood.

**Familial Hypercholesterolemia:** In a family blood cholesterol level ↑es, lead to atherosclerosis, and at age around 20y MI occurs, problem is with this receptor.

① Receptor mutant & does not bind to LDL.

② Receptor bind to LDL But doesn't trigger Endocytosis.

So the end result is to fail the whole process, & there is no inhibition of HMG-CoA-reductase, & ↑es blood cholesterol, & person develop FHC.

**End of Receptor & intracellular molecule**  
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