



Cell Signaling and Regulation of Metabolism

BIOCHEMISTRY

TEAM

Objectives

- **Different steps in signaling pathways**
- **The second messenger systems**
- **Function of signaling pathways for**
- **Signal transmission**
- **Amplification**
- **The role signaling pathways in regulation and integration of metabolism**

No cell lives in isolation

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في الإنسان

- Cells communicate with each other
- Cells send and receive information (signals)
- Information is **relayed** within cell to produce a response

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للخلية القدرة على العوده من جديد
لاستقبال تغيير آخر

**Relayed=passed from
One messenger to the
Other**

Signaling Process

A ligand can effect on one specific receptor

Recognition of signal

Receptors



Transduction

From outside to inside the cell

Change of external signal into intracellular message with amplification and formation of second messenger



Effect

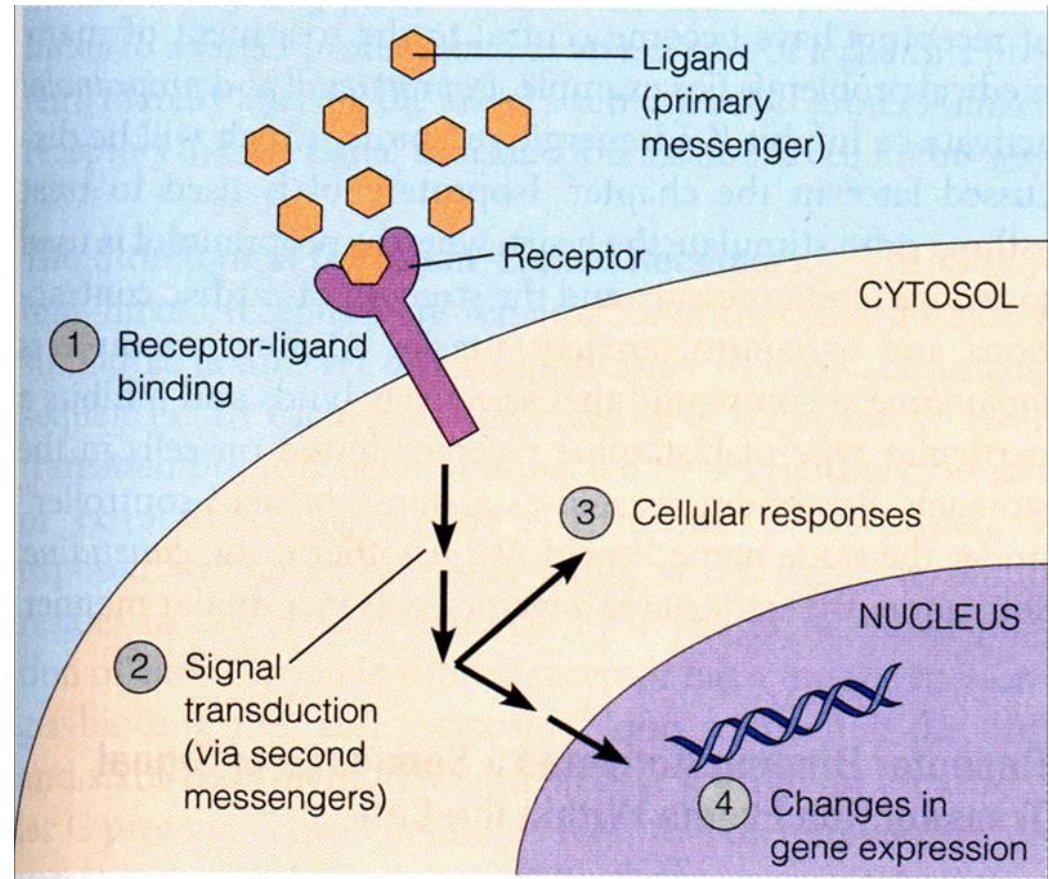
Modification of cell metabolism and function

Note

First messenger ---> **OUTSIDE** the cell
Second messenger ---> **INSIDE** the cell

General Signaling Pathway

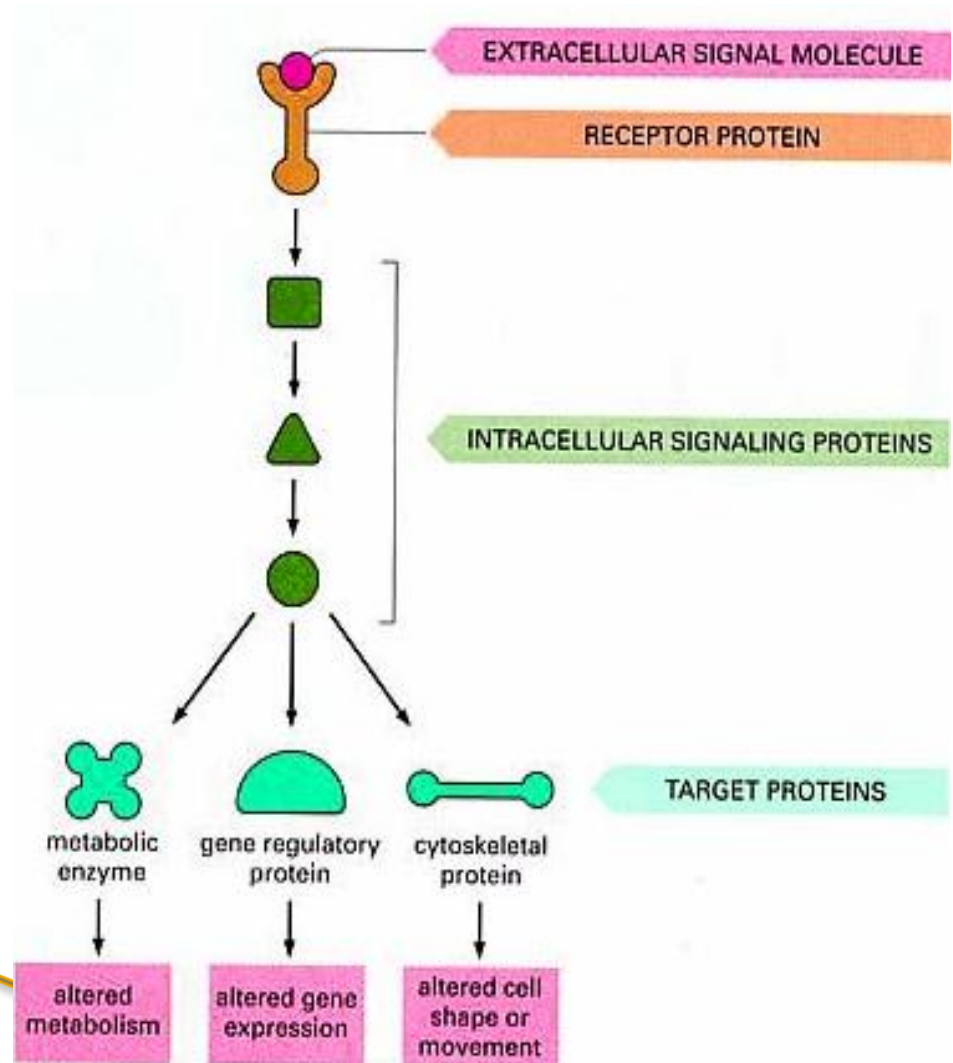
Any signaling pathway
Starts with a signal
And end with an effect



Signaling Cascades

Signaling is a process in which one ligand being recognized by a receptor (e.g. G-protein coupled receptors) could lead to a series of magnified steps. (ending with an effect)

Effect

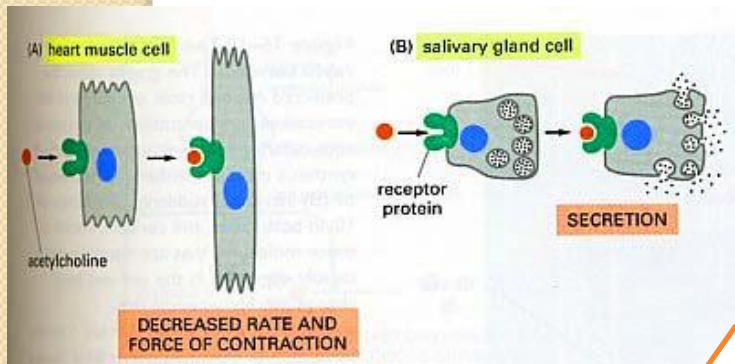


Recognition

- Performed by receptors
- **Ligand will produce response only in cells that have receptors for this particular ligand**
- Each cell has a specific set of receptors

Recognition could involve different responses to the same Signaling Molecule

Acting on
Different Cells



E.g. Ach acts on both myocytes (in heart) & salivary cells
(for parasympathetic “rest & digest” action)

Action on one Cell but in Different
Pathways

Causing different (or
opposite) effects

e.g. **Glucagon**
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“One Cell but, Different Pathways”

Glucagon:

→ enzymes

Effects on **Glycogen Synthase** and **Phosphorylase**

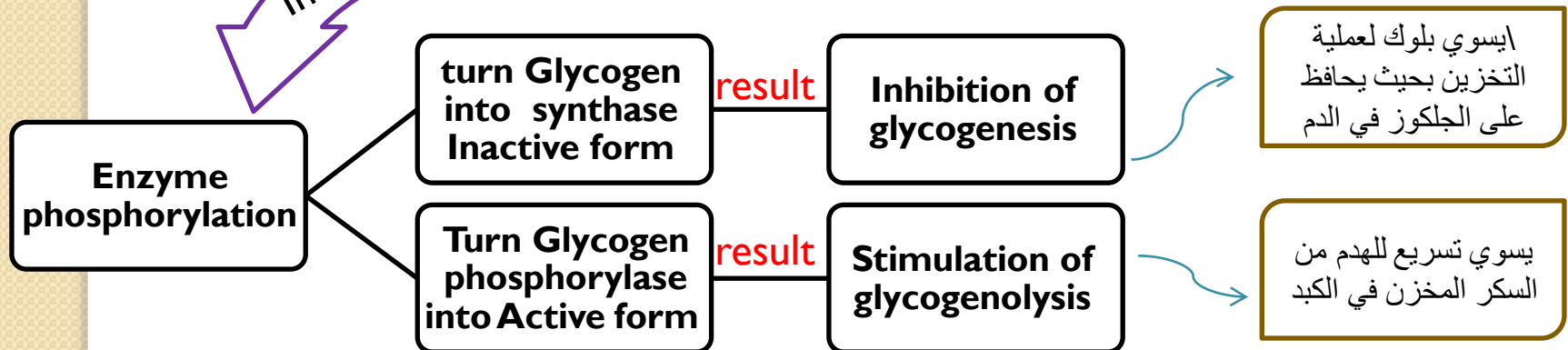
How does it regulate the blood sugar with two opposite pathways?

Low sugar in blood

Recognized by “liver cells”

- 1) Hypoglycemia
- 2) Glucagon secretion → From pancreas
- 3) Hepatocyte: Glucagon/receptor
- 4) binding
- 5) **Second messenger: cAMP** → Released inside the cell by the cell
- 6) Response: **Enzyme phosphorylation**

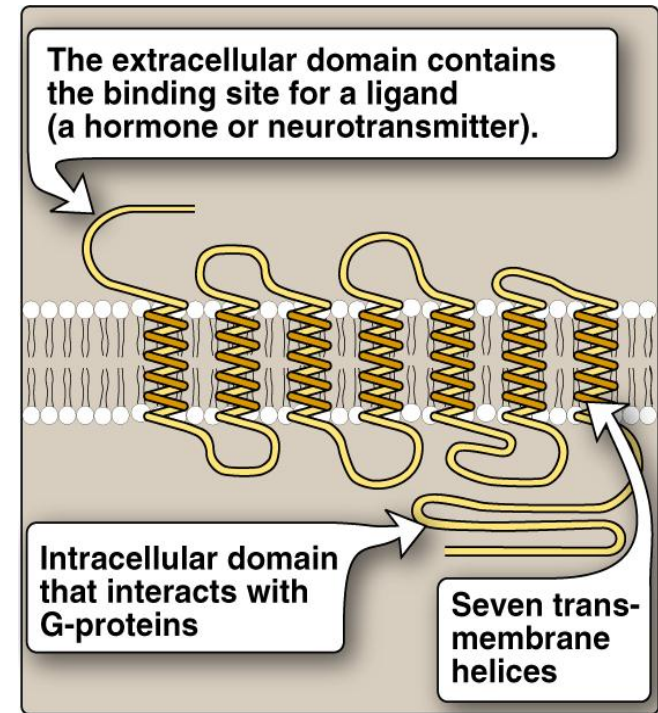
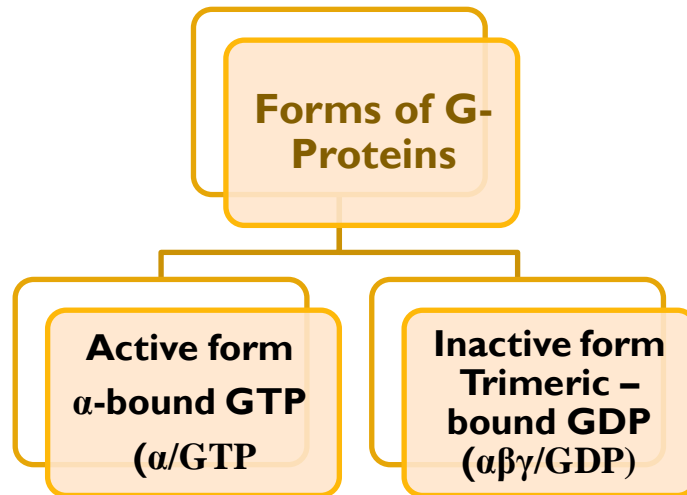
In two ways



Some receptors are coupled with G-proteins. What are they?

GTP-Dependant Regulatory Proteins (G-Proteins)

G-Proteins: Trimeric membrane proteins ($\alpha\beta\gamma$) G-stimulatory (G_s) and G-inhibitory (G_i). they binds to **GTP/GDP**

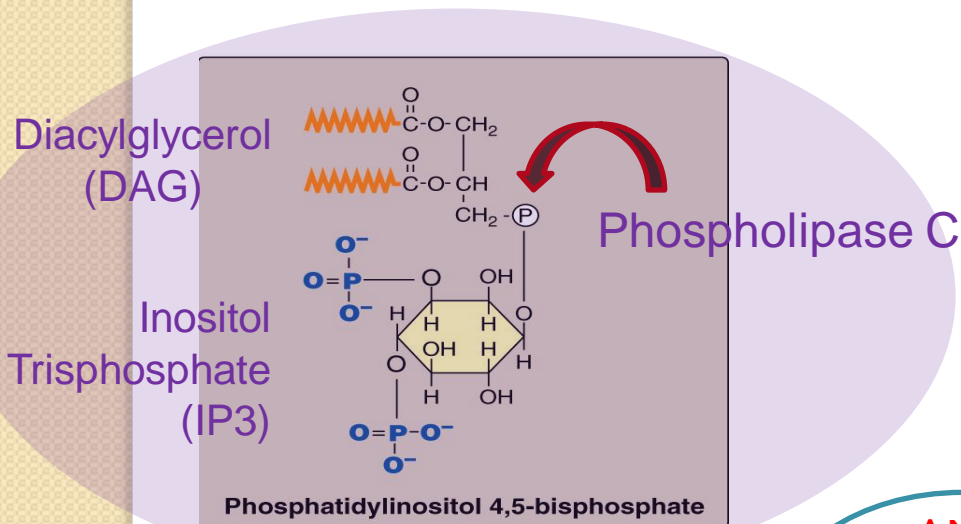


The α -subunit has intrinsic GTPase activity, resulting in hydrolysis of GTP into GDP (leading to inactivation of G-proteins)

G-proteins on the other hand activate an effector that sends a 2nd messenger to complete the signaling pathway

Two important second messenger systems

Calcium/phosphatidyl inositol system



معلومات اضافية

Adenylyl cyclase system

It's a membrane-bound enzyme that converts ATP to cAMP

Signal

Hormones or neurotransmitters

Signal Transduction

Response

Activation/inhibition of protein kinase A

cAMP-dependent protein kinase

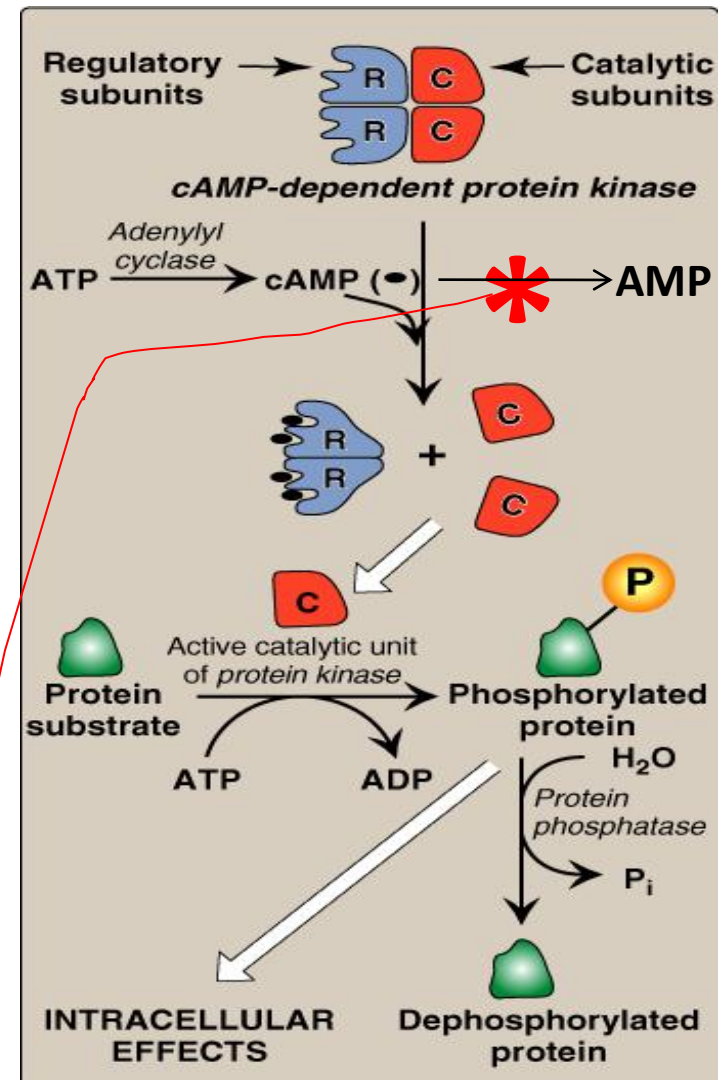
I) Adenylyl Cyclase System: cAMP-Dependent Protein Kinase (Protein Kinase A)

After the G-protein has activated the effector to release the 2nd messenger:

1. ATP is converted to cAMP.
2. cAMP activates protein kinase and is left with AMP.
3. Protein kinase phosphorylates some proteins in the cell

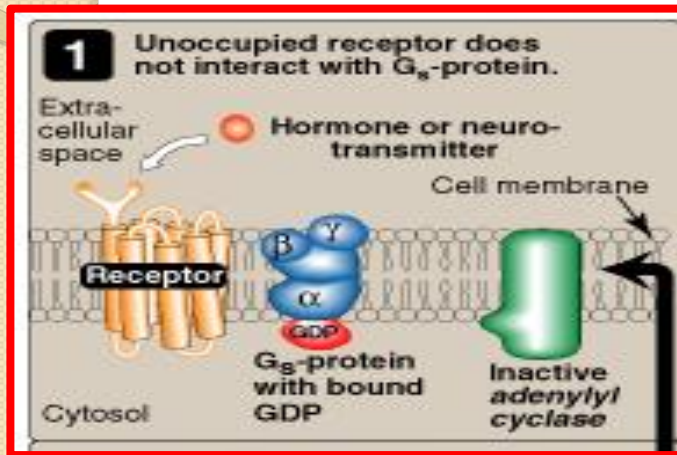
Phosphorylation does not mean activation
It could cause inhibition too

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By phosphodiesterase

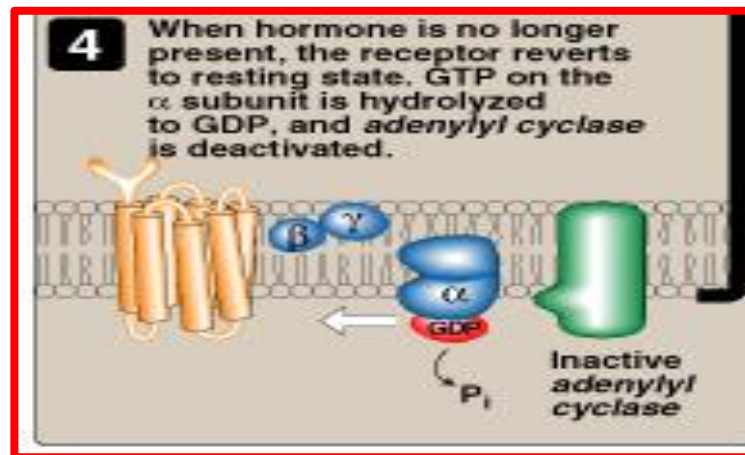


Termination of Signal

Termination of Signal (C)



Termination of Signal (B)



Termination of Signal (A)

One of the three:
Protein phosphatase,
dephosphorylates proteins
Or phosphodiesterase

Will decrease cAMP by
converting it into AMP

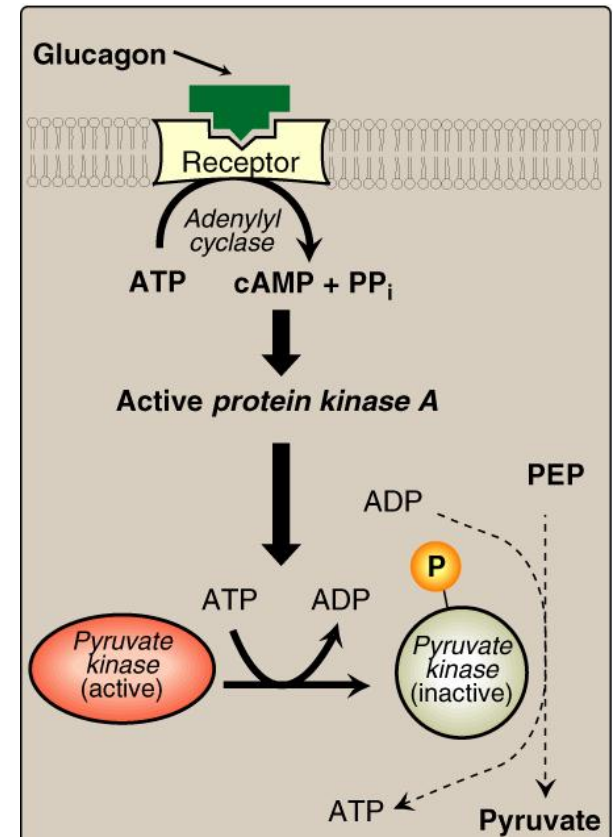
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Leads to inactive protein
kinase

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Response stops

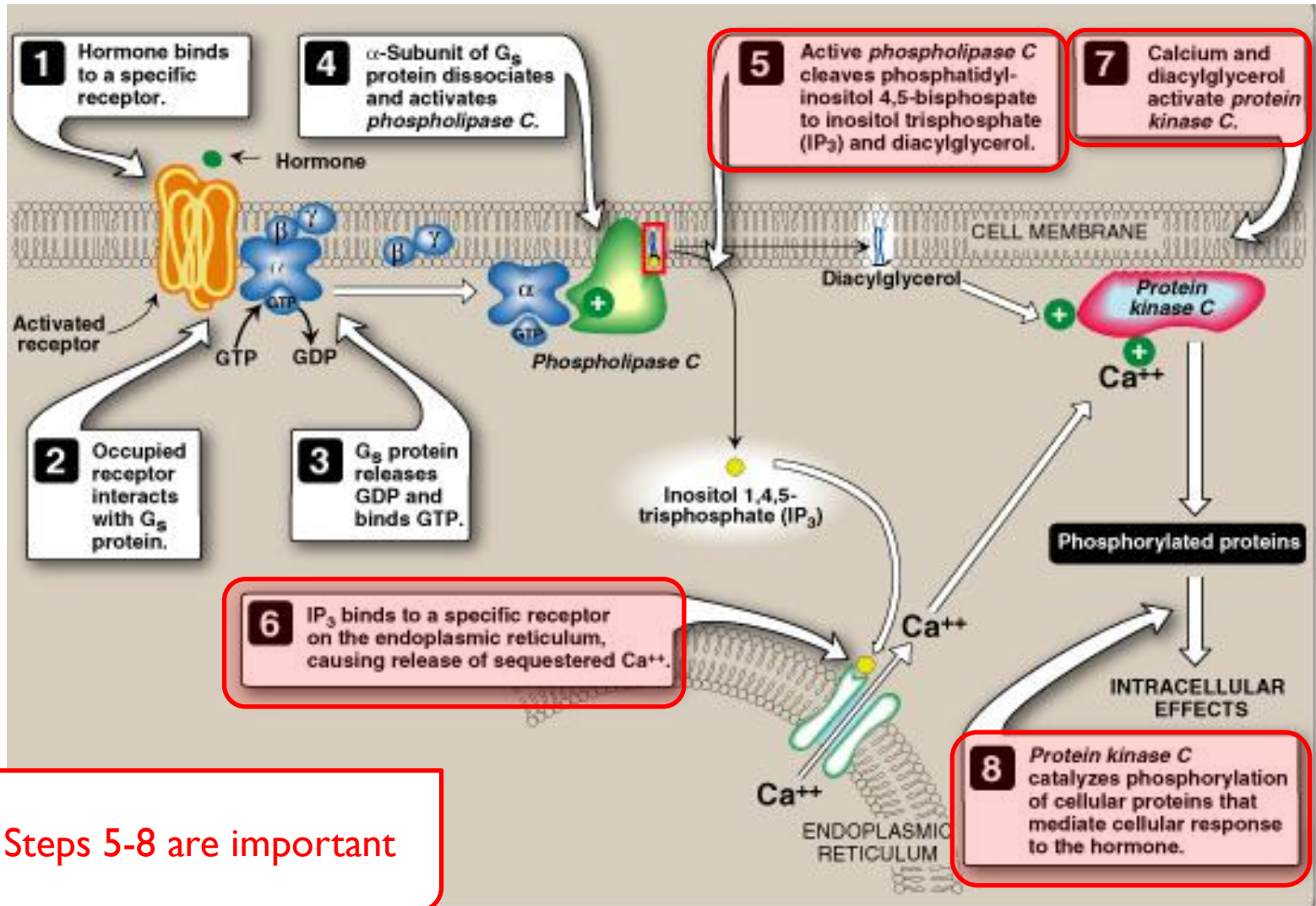
Example of termination: In Glycolysis

Pyruvate Kinase Regulation: Covalent Modification

Protein kinase A
phosphorylates pyruvate
kinase to inactivate it



2) Calcium/Phosphatidylinositol System



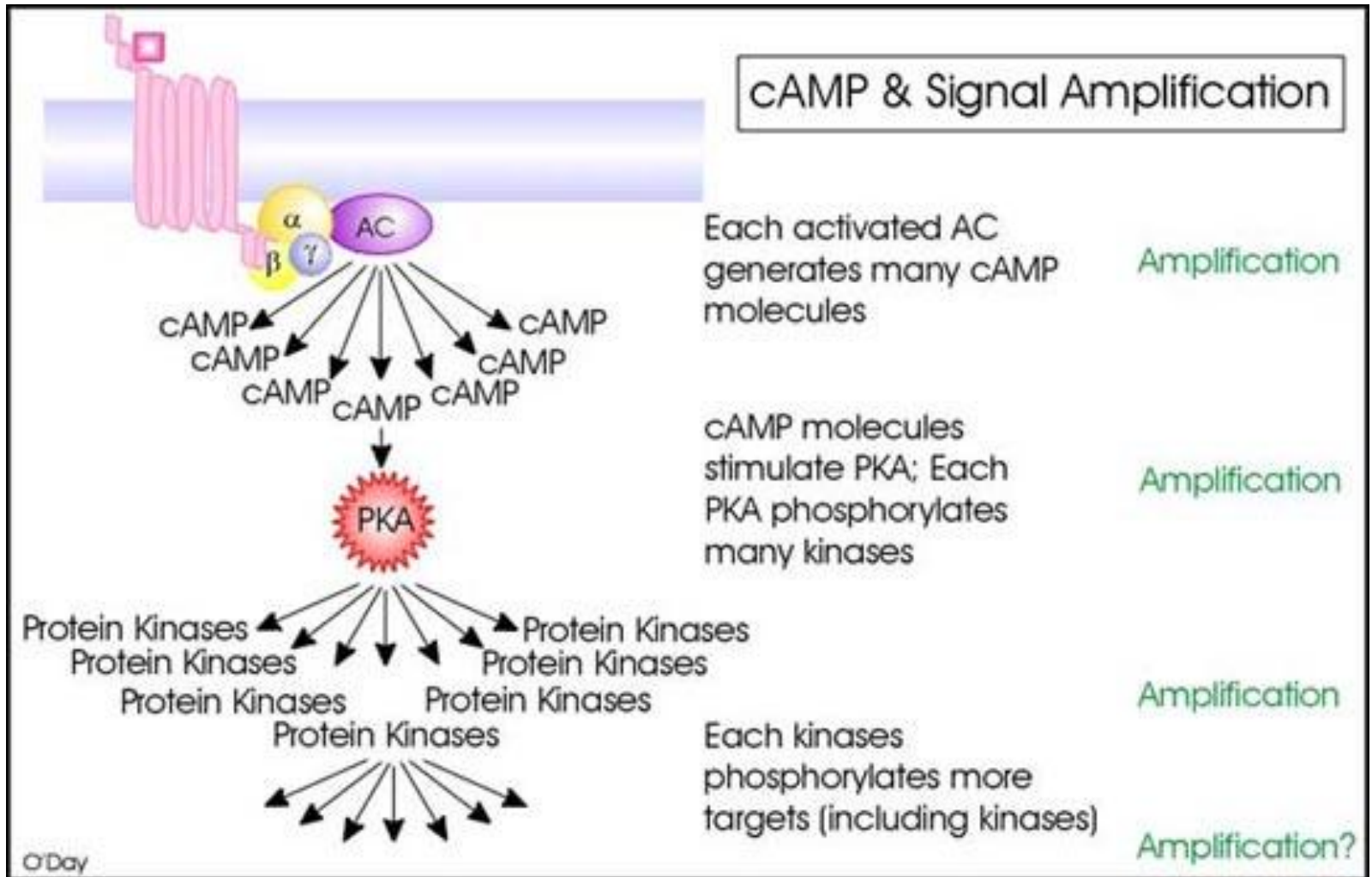
Steps 5-8 are important

Intracellular Signaling by **Inositol trisphosphate**

Second messenger

Signal Amplification

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”يتضاعف“ الأثر في كل خطوة من خطوات الاستجابة





Thank you

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