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PHYSIOLOGY TEAM



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# PHYSIOLOGY

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# Homeostasis I

# Objectives

At the end of this session, the students should be able to:

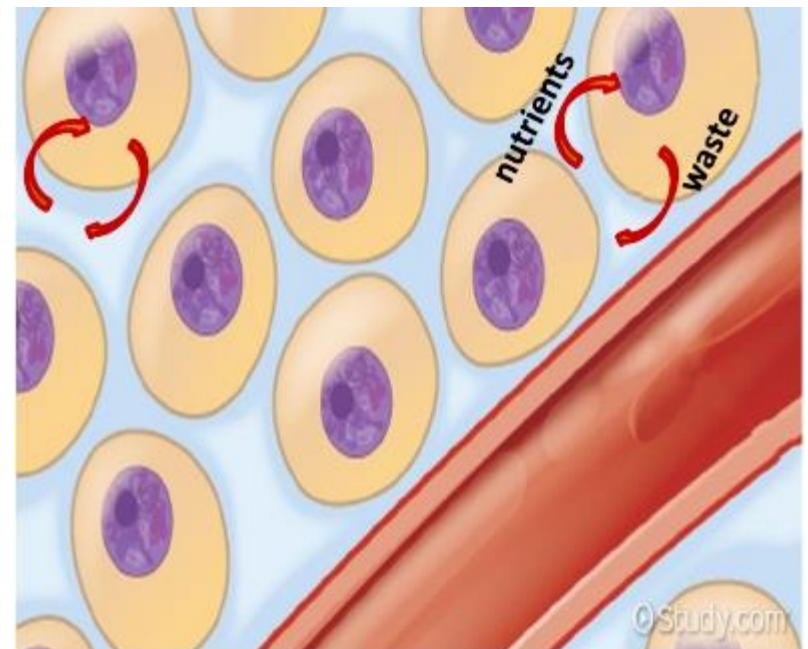
- Differentiate between positive and negative feedback mechanisms and give examples for each in the body.
- Define a feedback mechanism and describe its components.
- Explain how homeostatic mechanisms regulated by negative feedback detect and respond to environmental changes + Define positive and negative feedback
- Describe the actions of a positive feedback loop.
- Discuss the physiologic control mechanisms that enable maintenance of the normal steady state of the body.
- Define and discuss the concept of homeostasis and its importance to the living organism.
- Define the concept of the “internal environment” and state its physiologic importance.
- Differentiate between the external and internal environments.

**Study source for this lecture:**

(Guyton & Hall Textbook of Medical Physiology, 13<sup>th</sup> ed, Chapter 4)

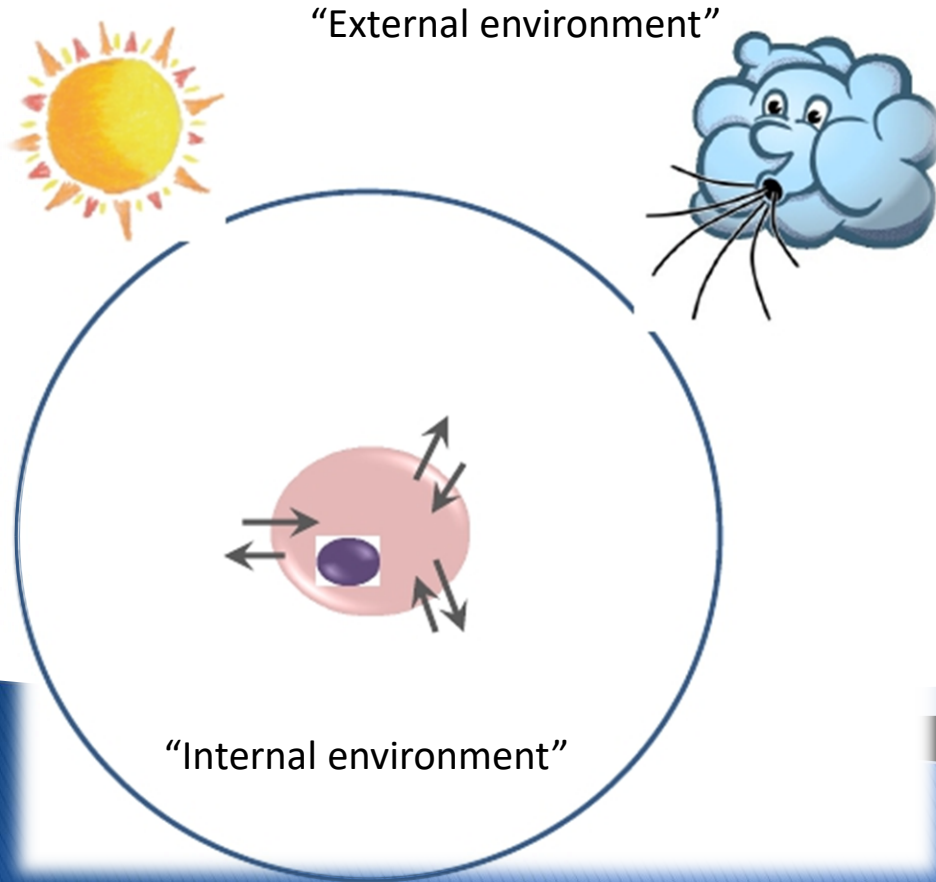
# The Internal Environment

- All the cells in the body are continuously bathing in fluid , Because this fluid is **outside** the cell, it is called **extracellular fluid (ECF)**.
  - It is from the ECF that cells get the ions and nutrients needed to maintain life.
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- ❖ All body cells live in the same environment (i.e. ECF).
  - ❖ The composition of ECF is almost similar between the different species.



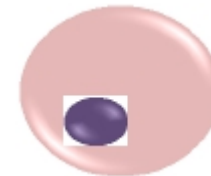
# External vs Internal environment

In Multicellular organisms



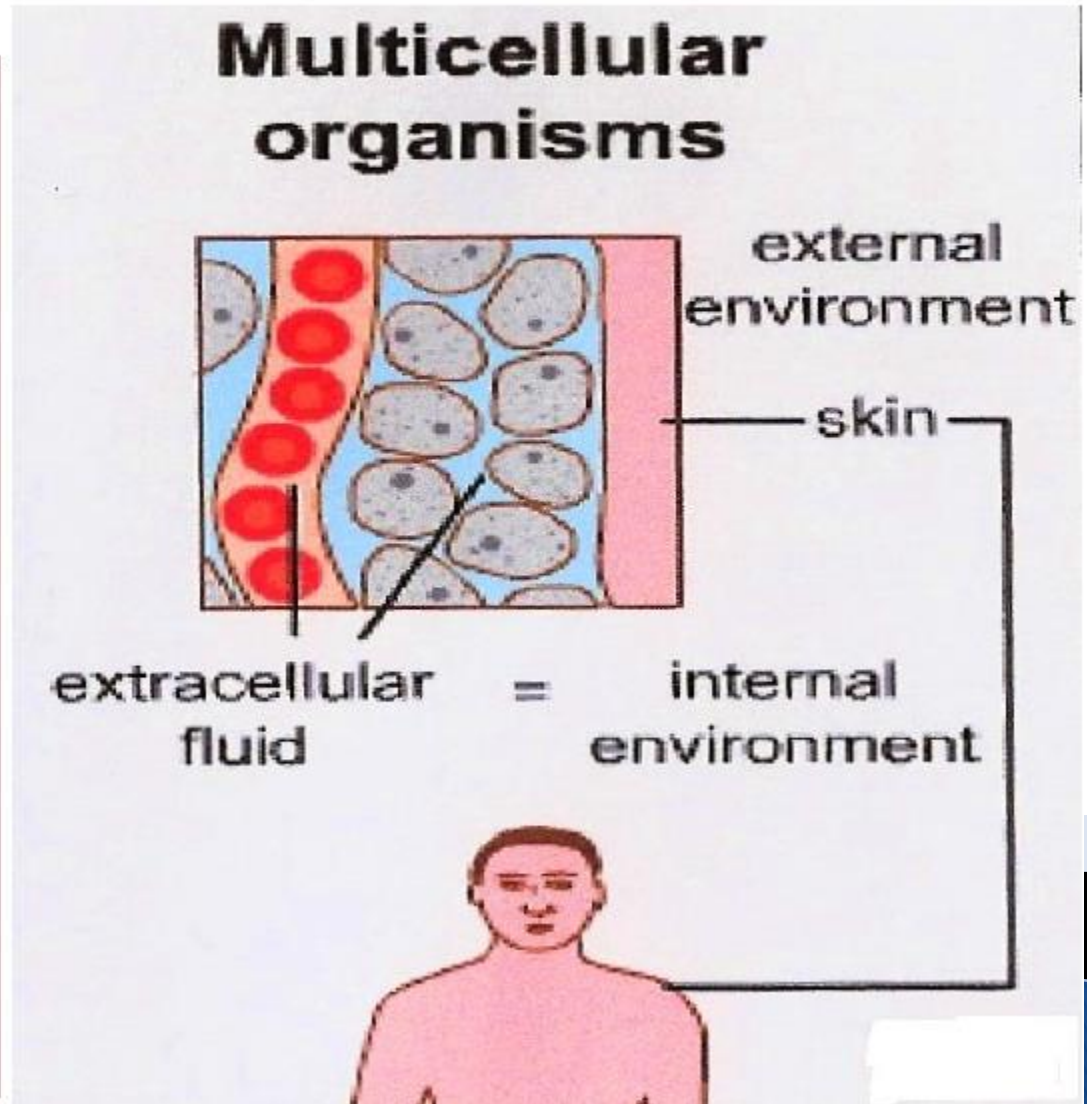
In Unicellular organisms

Internal environment = External environment



# External vs Internal environment

- *ECF = the internal environment.*
- The skin separates this environment from the outside world which known as the *external environment.*

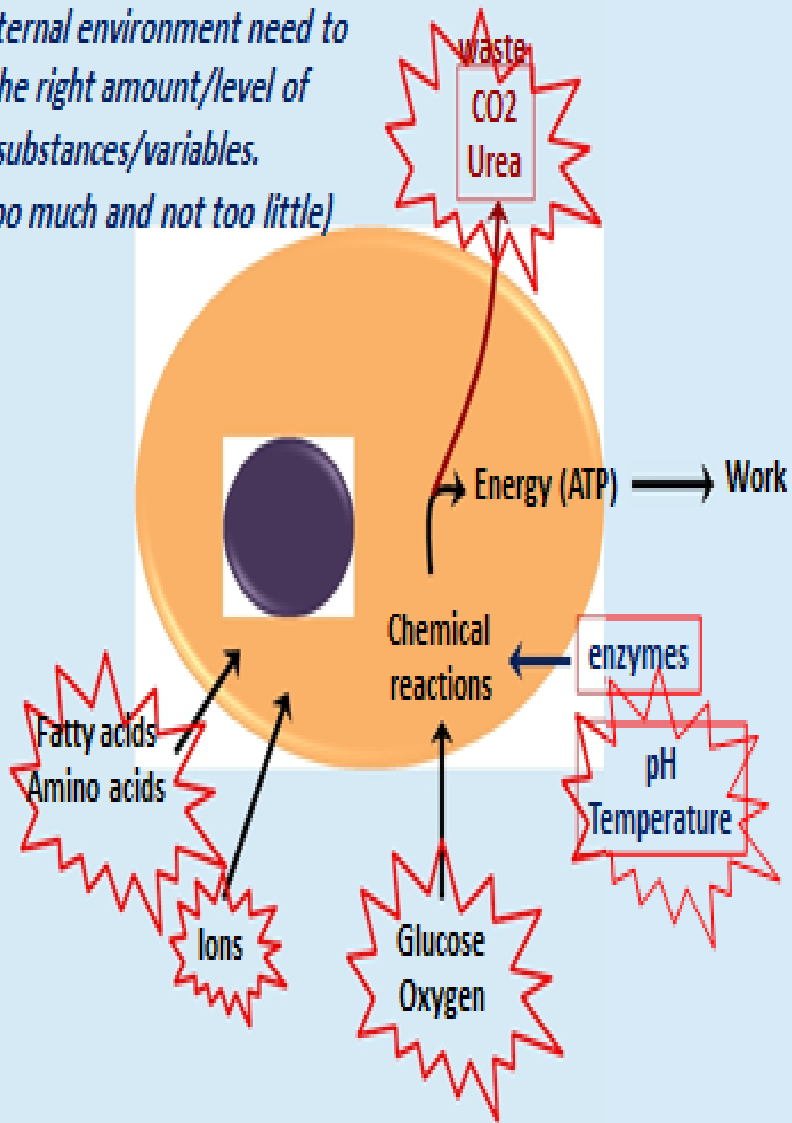


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*In order for the cell to function properly,*

*The internal environment need to have the right amount/level of these substances/variables.*

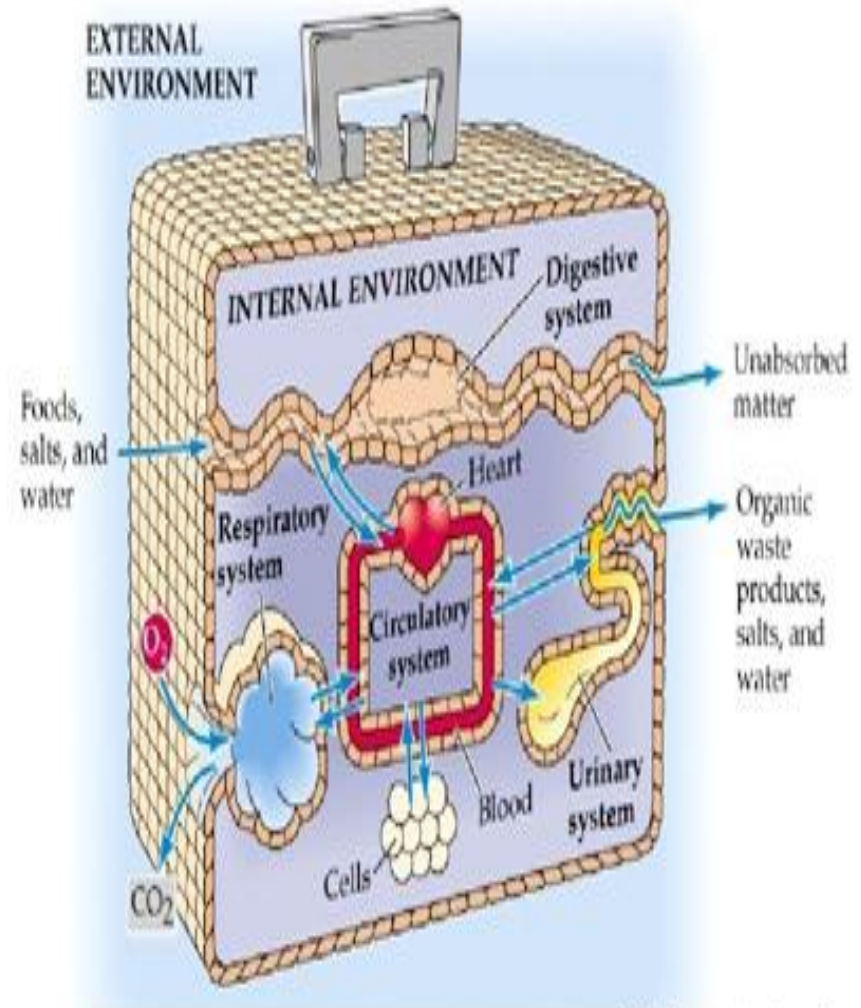
*(not too much and not too little)*



ECF

(Mr. Ford's class-Introduction to anatomy and physiology-youtube)

## External vs Internal environment



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# Homeostasis

• The process by which the body keeps the internal environment constant despite changes in the external environment is known

as **“Homeostasis”**.

– Homeo- : sameness, similarity

– stasis: standing

## Homeostasis

- Homeostasis is the ability to maintain a relatively stable internal environment in an ever-changing outside world.

Essentially all the functions of the body organs and tissues aim at keeping the internal environment at a nearly constant state.

• Chemical, thermal, and neural factors interact to maintain homeostasis.

**-Hemostasis : Is the tendency to the internal balance or is the maintenance of nearly constant conditions in the internal environment.**



# Concept of Homeostasis

- The internal environment must be kept constant in the face of an ever changing external environment.

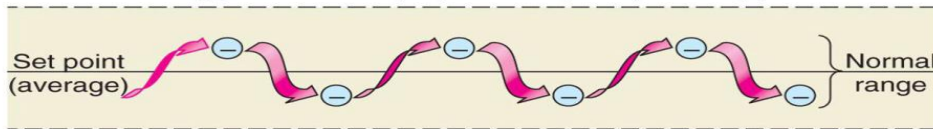
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- The internal environment of the body (ECF) is in a **dynamic state of equilibrium**
- All different body systems operate in harmony to provide homeostasis
- Extreme dysfunction leads **to death**; moderate dysfunction leads to **sickness**.

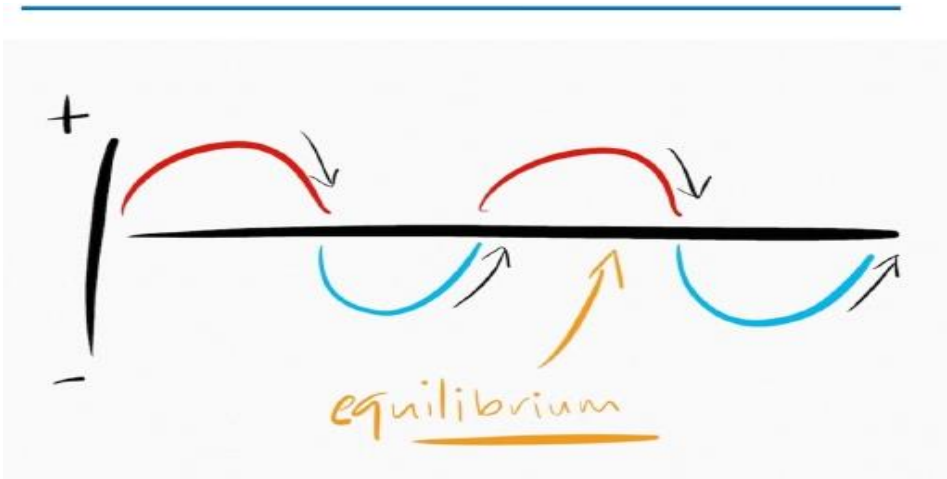
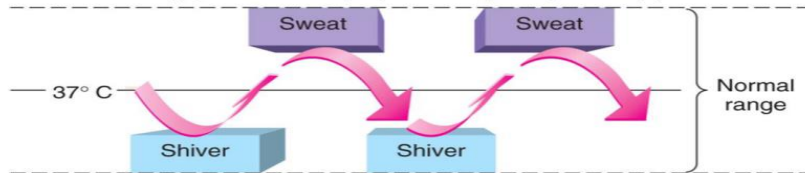
**-Internal environment is always in dynamic state to maintain hemostasis**

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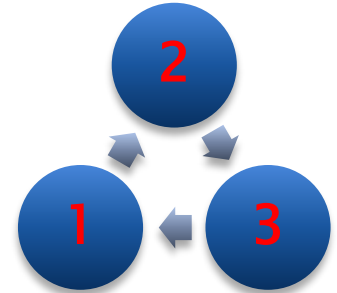


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# Components of Homeostatic Systems

- ▶ The body maintains homeostasis by using homeostatic control systems
  - Three components associated with each system:
    - **1-Receptor**    **2-control center**    **3-effector**



## Receptor

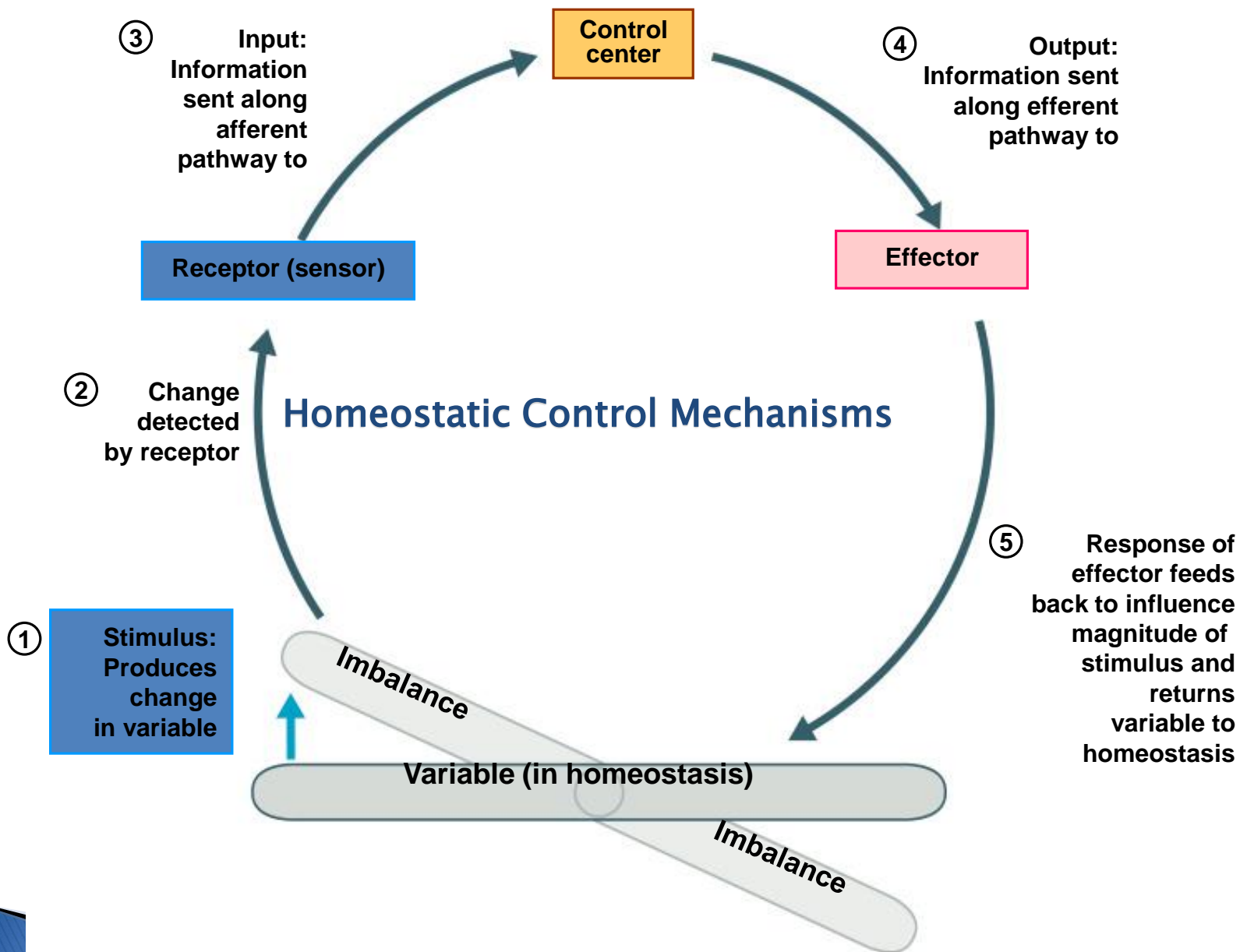
- The structure that detects changes in a variable, the **stimulus**
  - e.g., a change in temperature
- Consists of sensory nerves

## Control center

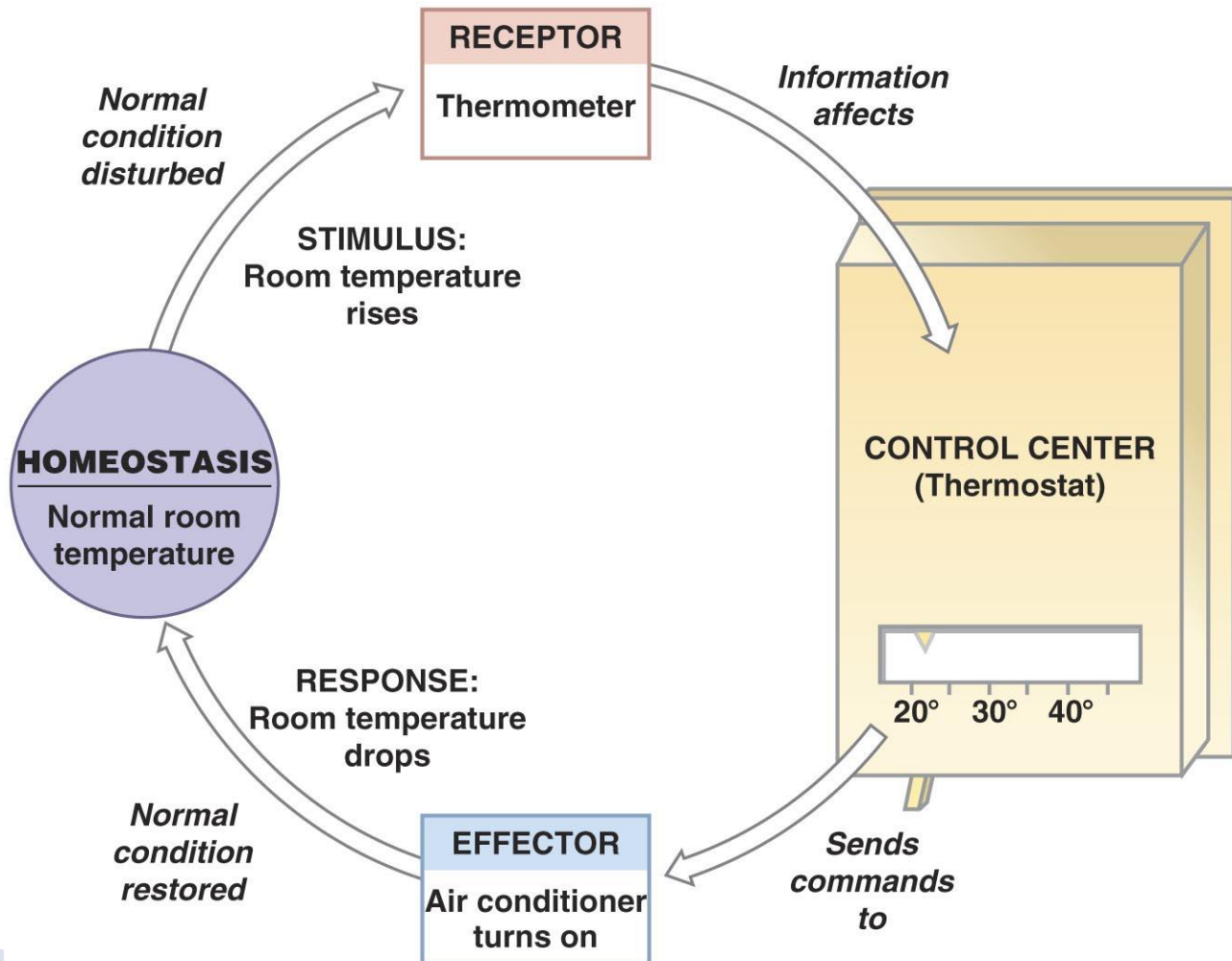
- The structure that interprets input from the receptor
- Initiates changes through the effector
- A portion of the nervous system or an endocrine organ

## Effector

- The structure that brings about change to alter the stimulus
- Most body structures. e.g., muscles or glands



# The Control of Room Temperature



# Maintenance of Homeostasis

- Nervous system:
  - Controls and coordinates bodily activities that require rapid responses.
  - Detects and initiates reactions to changes in external environment.
  - e.g., regulation of blood pressure upon rising.
  - **Response faster than endocrine system**
- Endocrine system:
  - Secreting glands of endocrine regulate activities that require duration rather than speed.
  - e.g., parathyroid hormone regulating calcium levels.
  - **Response slower than nervous system**

# Control systems

Nervous system

Endocrine systems

Protection

Skin

Immune system



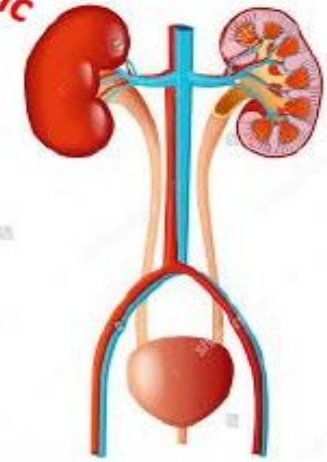
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*Internal environment*

O<sub>2</sub>  
CO<sub>2</sub>

Detoxify  
Feces  
Nutrients  
Ions  
H<sub>2</sub>O

End metabolic products



# Factors Homeostatically Regulated

- Concentration of nutrient molecules. Ex: Glucose
- Concentration of water, salt, and other electrolytes
- Concentration of waste products
- Concentration of O<sub>2</sub> = 100mmHg and CO<sub>2</sub> = 40 mmHg
- pH = 7.35
- Blood volume 4-6 L and pressure 120/80
- Temperature = 37° C

## Concentrations of Extracellular and Intracellular Electrolytes in Adults

| Electrolyte              | Extracellular Concentration* | Intracellular Concentration* |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sodium                   | 135–148 mEq/L                | 10–14 mEq/L                  |
| Potassium                | 3.5–5.0 mEq/L                | 140–150 mEq/L                |
| Chloride                 | 98–106 mEq/L                 | 3–4 mEq/L                    |
| Bicarbonate              | 24–31 mEq/L                  | 7–10 mEq/L                   |
| Calcium                  | 8.5–10.5 mg/dl               | < 1 mEq/L                    |
| Phosphate/<br>phosphorus | 2.5–4.5 mg/dl                | 4 mEq/kg <sup>†</sup>        |
| Magnesium                | 1.8–2.7 mg/dl                | 40 mEq/kg <sup>†</sup>       |

\*Values may vary among laboratories, depending on the method of analysis used.

†Values vary among various tissues and with nutritional status.

*Body constituents are normally regulated within a range rather than a fixed value.*

# Control Mechanisms

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- The body has thousands of control systems.
- They function to restore balance when it is lost.
- Control systems operate;
  - *Within the organ* itself
  - Throughout the body → to control *interrelations between organs*.

**How is this achieved?**



**By feedback mechanisms**



What is meant by feedback?

A loop system in which the system responds to perturbation either in the **same direction** (**positive feedback**) or in the **opposite direction** (**negative feedback**).

Response of a homeostatic system occurs through a feedback loop:

- Stimulus
- detection of stimulus by a receptor
- information relayed to the control center
- integration of the input by control center and initiation of change through effectors
- return of homeostasis by the actions of effectors

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# Feedback Loops: Types

## -Negative feedback loop

1. original stimulus reversed.
2. used for conditions that need frequent adjustment.
3. Most feedback systems in the body are negative

## -Positive feedback loop

1. original stimulus intensified.
2. seen during normal childbirth.

### Negative feedback

The effector response of the system is in the **opposite direction** to the stimulus that initiated the response.

E.g;

- A **high level of in CO<sub>2</sub>** in the ECF will increase pulmonary ventilation, increasing the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> expired which will **bring the level of CO<sub>2</sub> in ECF down.**
- Most of the control systems of the body act by negative feedback.

### Positive feedback

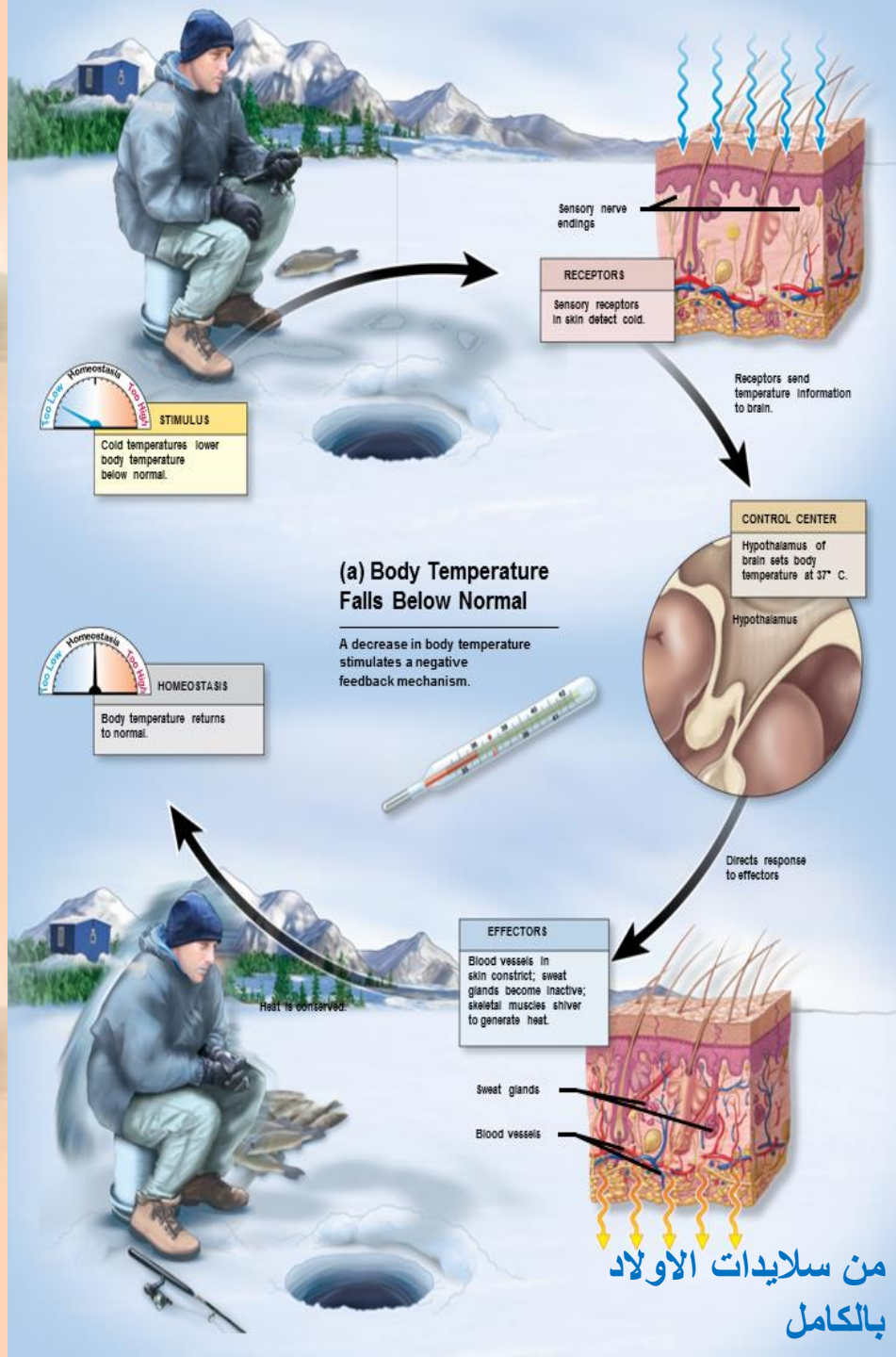
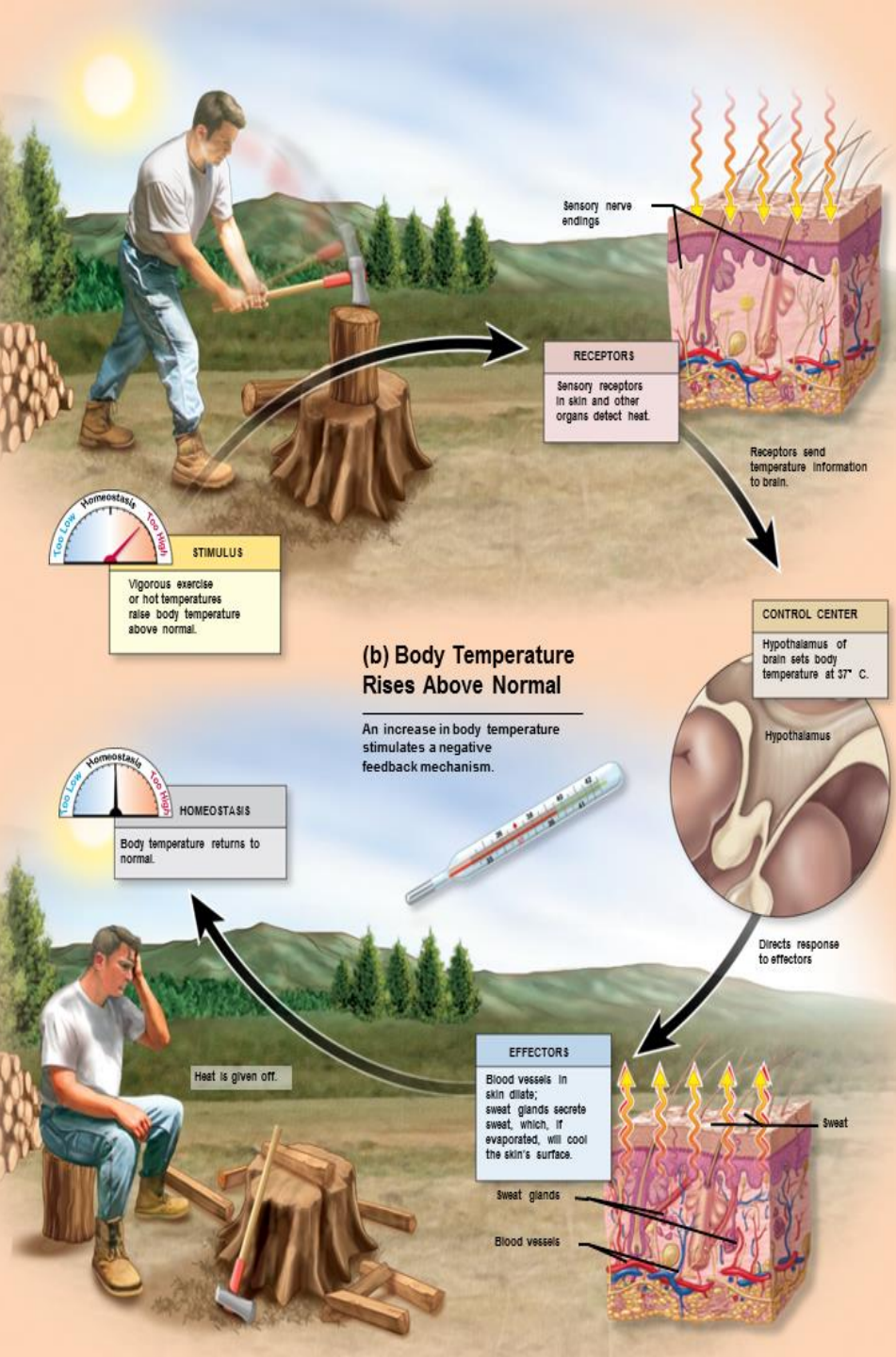
The effector response is in the **same** direction of the stimulus that initiated the response.

E.g;

- In nerve signaling, **entry of a small amount of Na<sup>+</sup>** into the cell will open more Na<sup>+</sup> channels **causing more Na<sup>+</sup> to enter the cell.**
- Only few systems display positive feedback mechanisms.. **WHY?**

# Homeostatic Systems Regulated by Negative Feedback

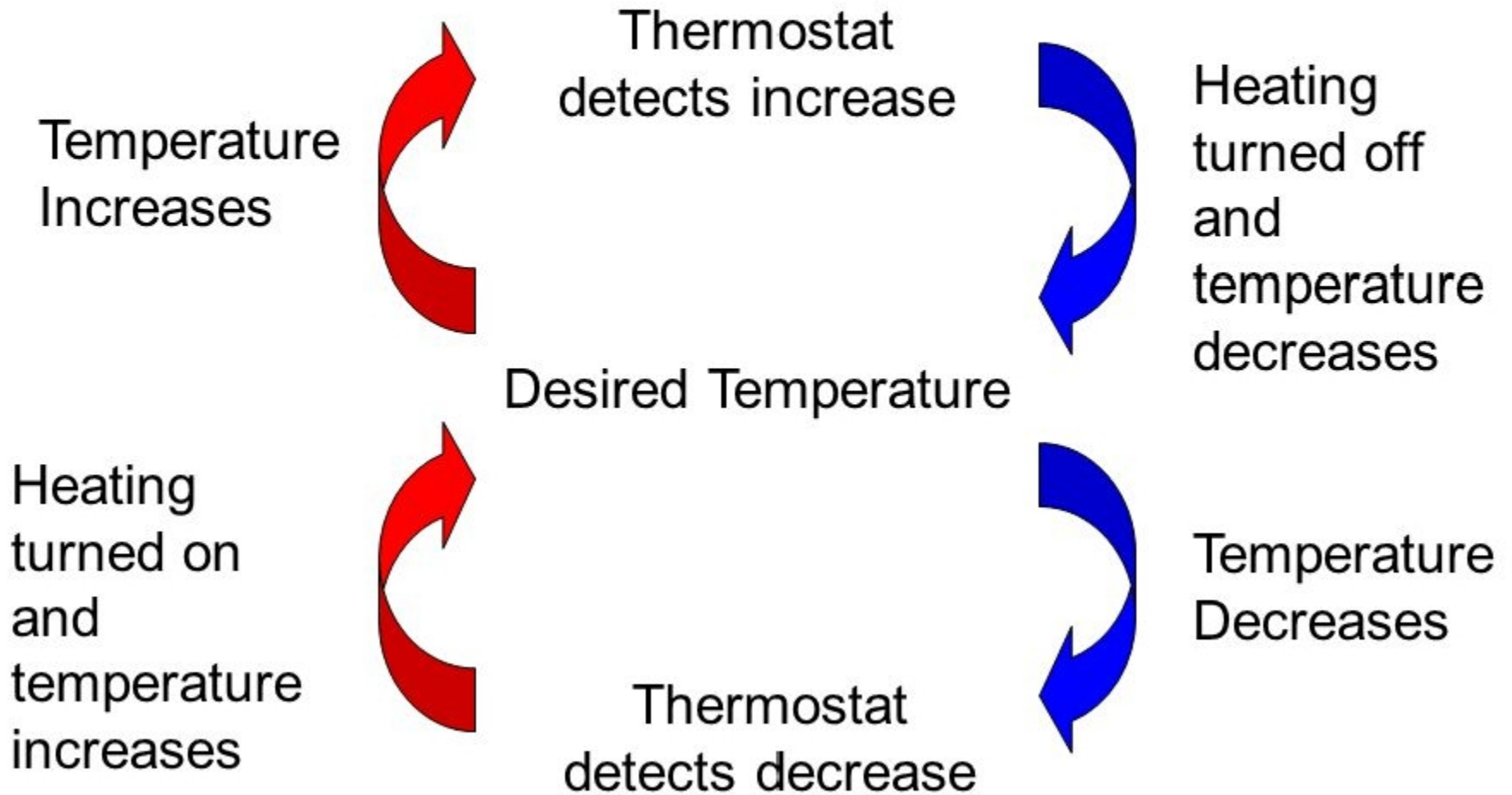
- ▶ Negative feedback
  - A type of homeostatic control system that maintains the variable within a normal range
  - Variable maintained within a normal level, its **set point**
    - fluctuates around the set point
  - If stimulus increases, homeostatic control system activated to cause a decrease in the stimulus
  - If stimulus decreases, homeostatic control system activated to cause an increase in the stimulus



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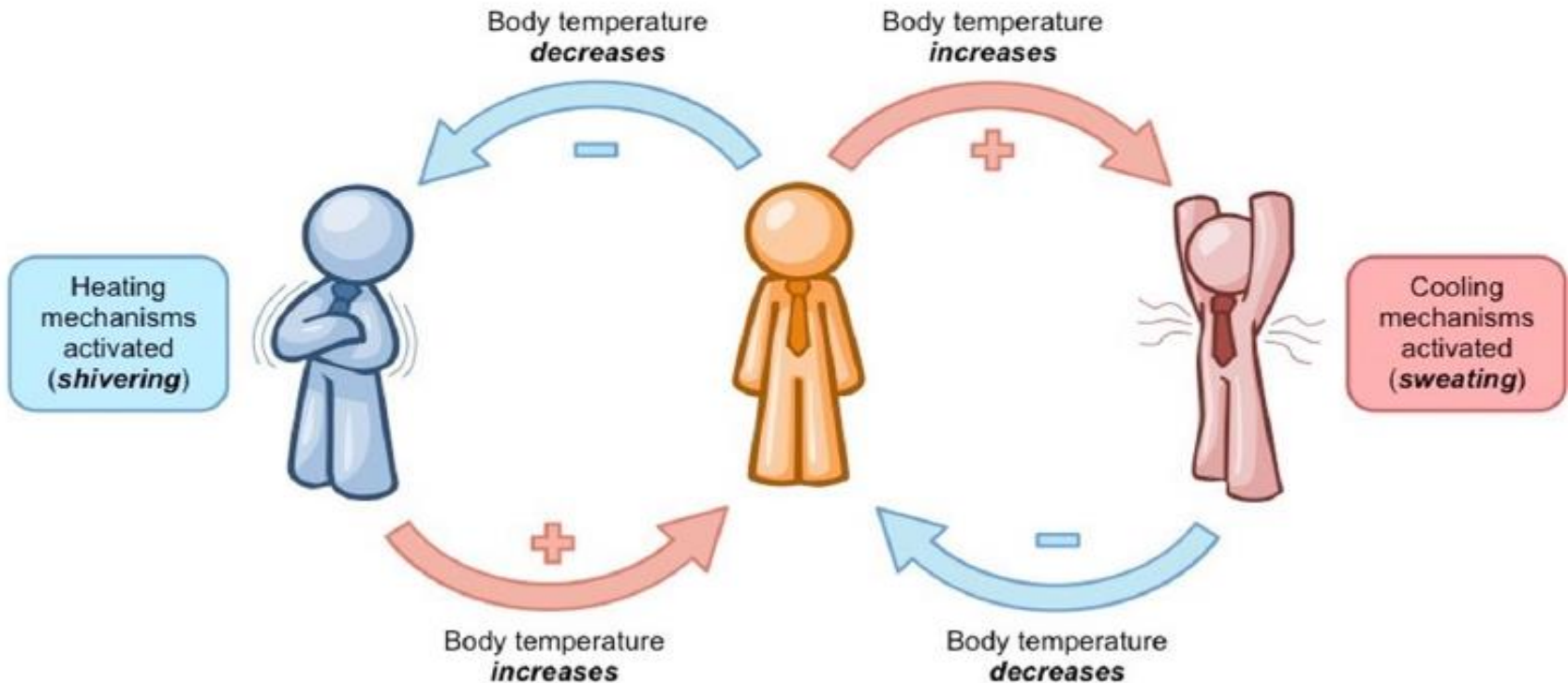
# Negative Feedback

(thermostat analogy)



# Examples of Negative Feedback Mechanisms

## Body temperature control



## Homeostatic Systems Regulated by Negative Feedback

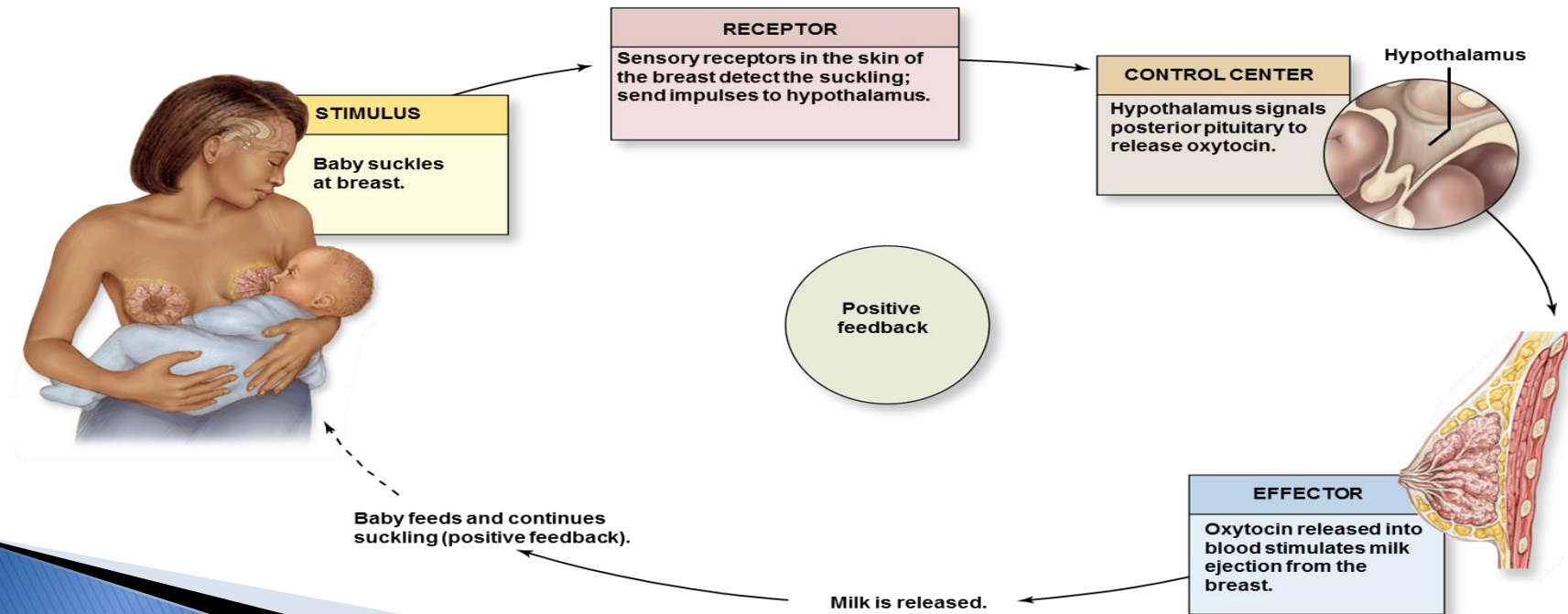
- ▶ Other examples of homeostatic regulation:
  - withdrawal reflex in response to injury
  - regulating heart rate and blood pressure during exercise
  - changing breathing rate in response to increased carbon dioxide
  - parathyroid hormone release in response to decreased calcium
  - release of insulin by the pancreas in response to increased blood glucose

## Homeostatic Systems Regulated by Positive Feedback

- ▶ **Positive feedback during breastfeeding**
  - **Sensory detectors detect baby suckling**
  - **Message is transmitted to the hypothalamus**
  - **Hypothalamus signals posterior pituitary to release the hormone oxytocin**
  - **Oxytocin stimulates the mammary gland to eject breast milk**
  - **Cycle repeats as long as the baby suckles**
- ▶ **Other examples of positive feedback:**
  - **blood clotting cascade**
  - **uterine contractions of labor**

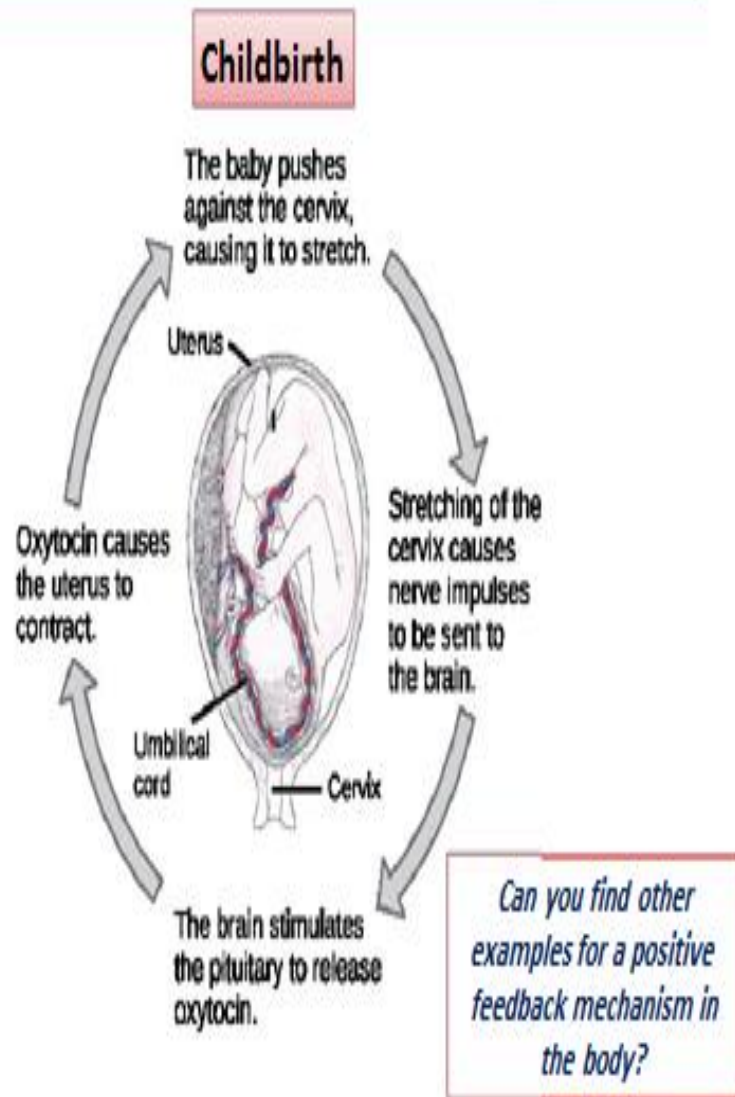
# Positive Feedback during Childbirth

- Stretch receptors in walls of uterus send signals to the brain
- Brain induces release of hormone (oxytocin) into bloodstream
- Uterine smooth muscle contracts more forcefully
- More stretch, more hormone, more contraction etc.
- Cycle ends with birth of the baby & decrease in stretch

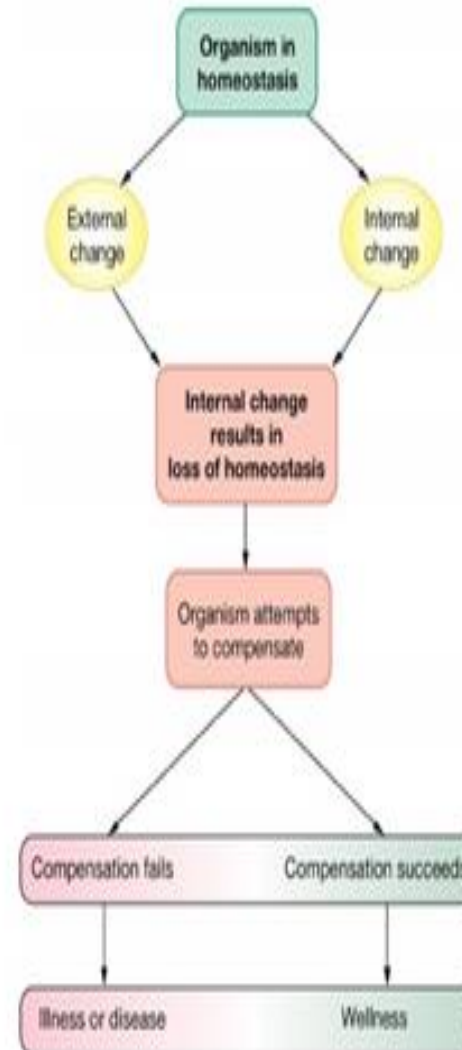




## Examples of Positive Feedback Mechanisms

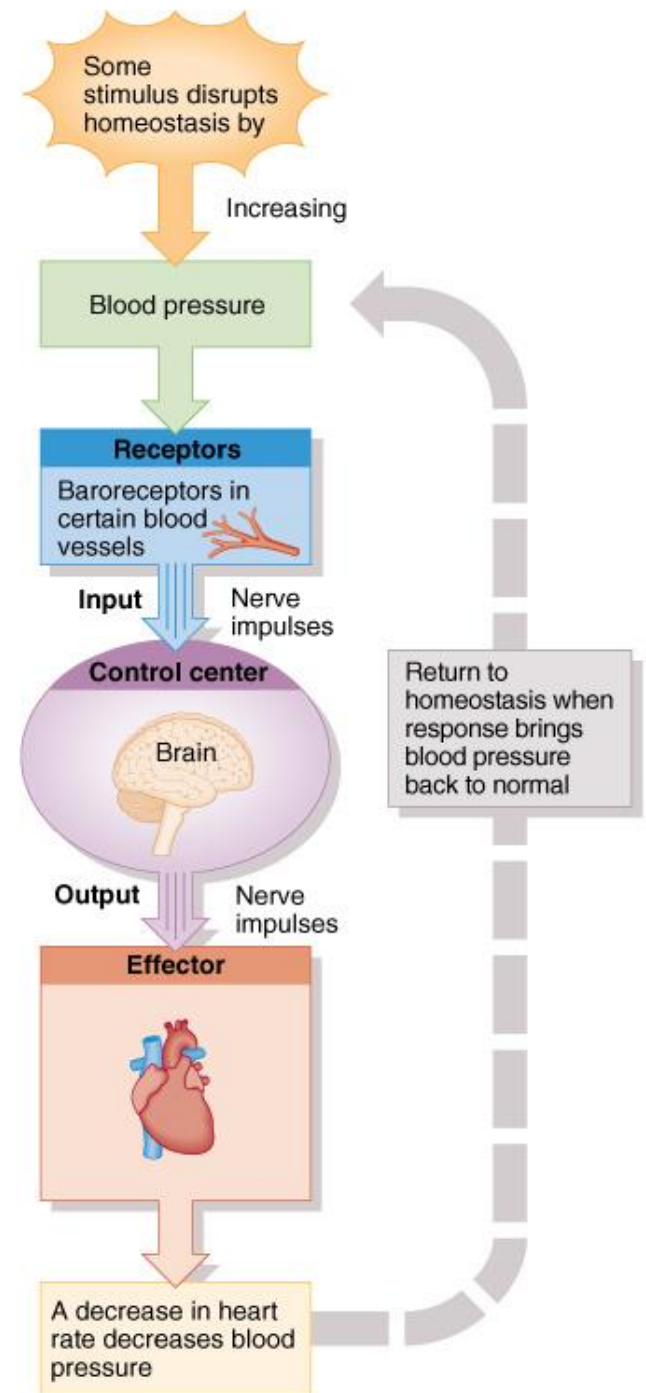


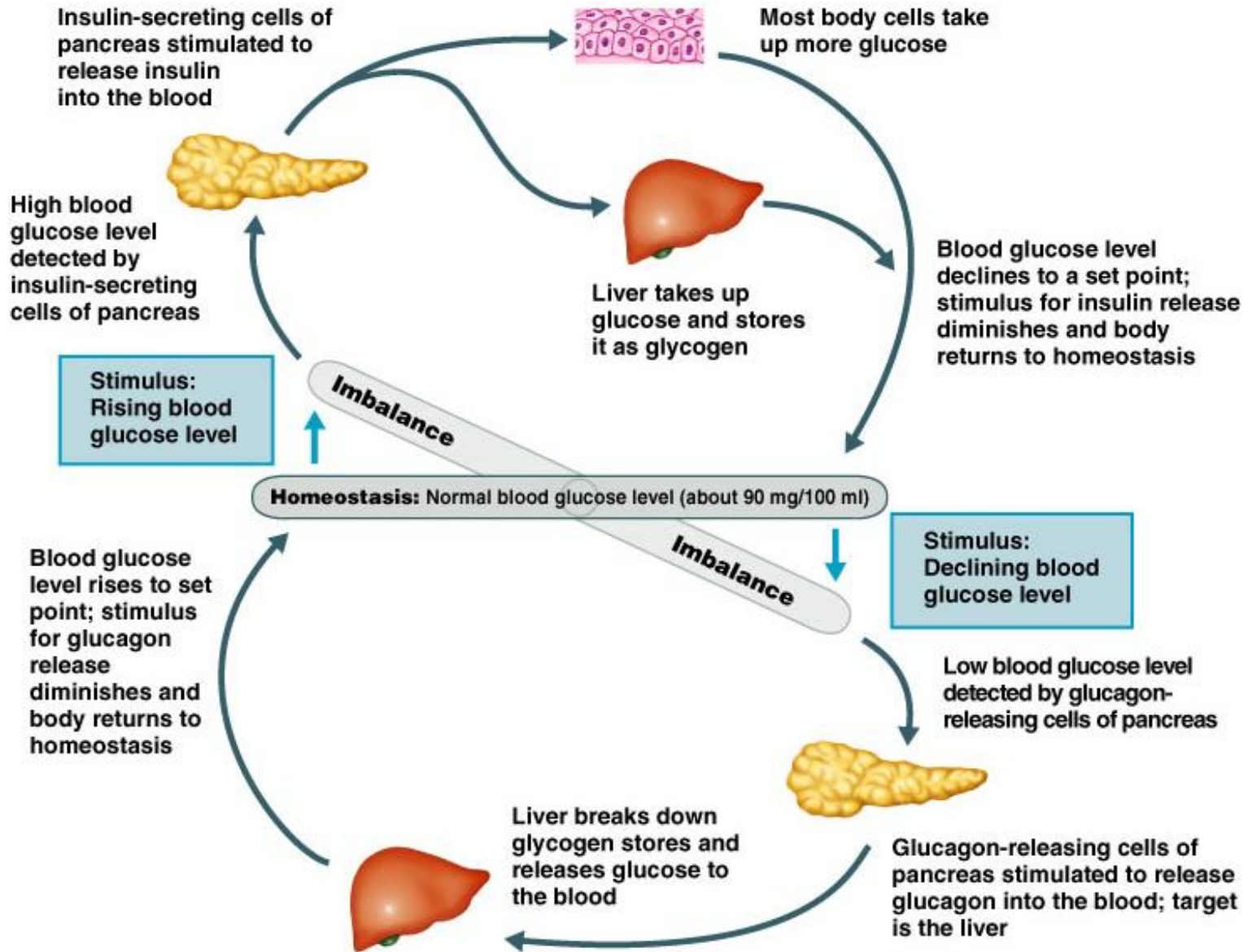
## Disease is a state of disturbed homeostasis



# Homeostasis of Blood Pressure

- Baroreceptors in walls of blood vessels detect an increase in BP.
- Brain receives input and signals from blood vessels and heart.
- Blood vessels dilate, HR decreases.
- BP decreases





# Homeostatic Systems Regulated by Negative Feedback

## Temperature regulation

- Body temperature drops
- Sensory receptors detect this and signal the hypothalamus (component of the brain)
- Hypothalamus alerts nerve impulses in blood vessels in the skin to decrease the inside opening of the vessels
- This decreases amount of amount of blood circulating to the surface of the body
- Less heat is released through skin
- Nerve impulses are sent to skeletal muscles, causing **shivering**
- Nerve impulses are sent to smooth muscles of hair follicles, causing **“goosebumps”**
- Body temperature rises
- Sensory receptors detect this and signal the hypothalamus
- Hypothalamus alerts nerve impulses in blood vessels in the skin to increase the inside opening of the vessels
- This increases the amount of blood circulating to the body surface
- More heat is released through skin

## Quiz (Fill the boxes)

1

?

▶ body cells live in the same environment

- 1) Somatic
- 2) Nerve
- 3) Stimulus
- 4) All

2

▶ The body maintains homeostasis by using the ? system

- 1) Integumentary
- 2) Nervous
- 3) Endocrine
- 4) Homeostatic control

3

▶ A structure that detects changes in a variable is called

- 1) Stimulus
- 2) Skin
- 3) receptor
- 4) None of these

4

▶ most feedback systems in the body are

- 1) Negative
- 2) Positive
- 3) Receptors
- 4) None of these

5

▶ Essentially all the functions of the  organs and tissues aim at keeping the internal environment at a nearly constant state

- 1) Internal
- 2) Body
- 3) External
- 4) Cardiovascular

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▶  is an Example of a negative feedback

- 1) Blood clotting cascade
- 2) Uterine contractions of labor
- 3) Breast feeding
- 4) None of these

# answers

| Question | answer | Slide number |
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| 2        | 4      | 7            |
| 3        | 3      | 7            |
| 4        | 1      | 14           |
| 5        | 2      | 5            |
| 6        | 4      | 20           |



# Thank you & good luck

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together everyone

**TEAM**

achieves more

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