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Slide No.(1)

Vision

Phototransduction of light

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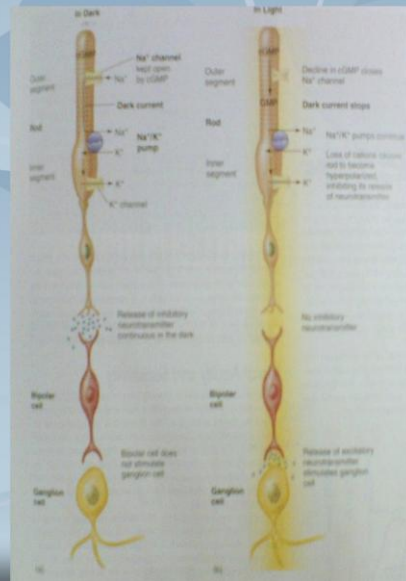
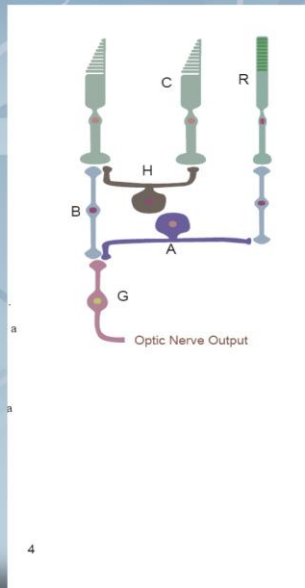
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Shape of rods & cones

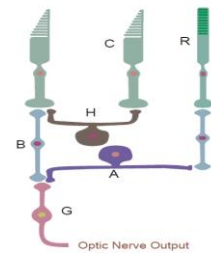


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- **Receptors of vision (Rods&cones):-**
- **1- Outer segment (modified cilia) has disks full of photosensitive pigment (**rhodopsin**) react with light to initiate A.P**
- **-In cones is conical , small and contain 3 types of rhodopsin**
- **- in rods it is big, rod like and contain one type of rhodopsin**
- **-There are Na channels in the outer segment**
- **2- Inner segment full of mitochondria (source of energy for Na-K pump), it is thick in cones**
- **There is Na-K pump in inner segment**



Team Notes :

A.P= Action Potential

-Na-K pump is active pump which needs energy therefor the inner segment is full of mitochondria.

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Visual Receptors: Rods and Cones

Rods

-abundant in
the periphery of
the retina

-best for low
light conditions

-see black/white
and shades of
gray

Cones

- abundant in &
around fovea

- best for bright light
conditions

-see all colors

Team Notes :

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noisiV cipotohP → senoC

noisiV cipotocS → sdoR

Scotopic vision (Rods) → incapable of resolving the details and boundaries of the objects or determining their color .

Photopic vision (cones) → it can resolve the details and boundaries of the object or determining their color .



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- Convergence:-
 - **low convergence in cones** / each foveal cone synapse with →one bipolar cell →one ganglion cell →single optic nerve fiber
 - **Value of low convergence** //increases visual acuity → integrated information from small area of retina
- Disadvantage**// decreases sensitivity to light i.e need high threshold of illumination to stimulate cones)

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- Value of low convergence increases the behavioral ability to resolve fine image details
- The disadvantage is usually in the cones



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- **2- high convergence of rods/**
- **several rods about 300 synapse with one bipolar cell & one ganglion cell**
- **-high convergence/// decreases visual acuity
acuity = integrated information from **large**
area of retina**
- **- but increases sensitivity to light i.e so low
light threshold stimulate the rods)**

- **3- 120 million rods & 6 million cones & 1.2
million optic nerve fibers, so convergence is
105 receptors : 1 fiber.**

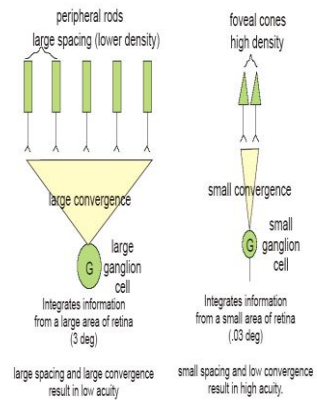
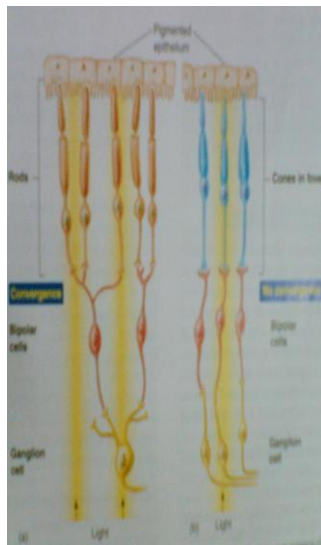
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- Rods are the complete opposite of cones
- The Convergence is from 105 receptors *mostly rods* to one nerve fiber

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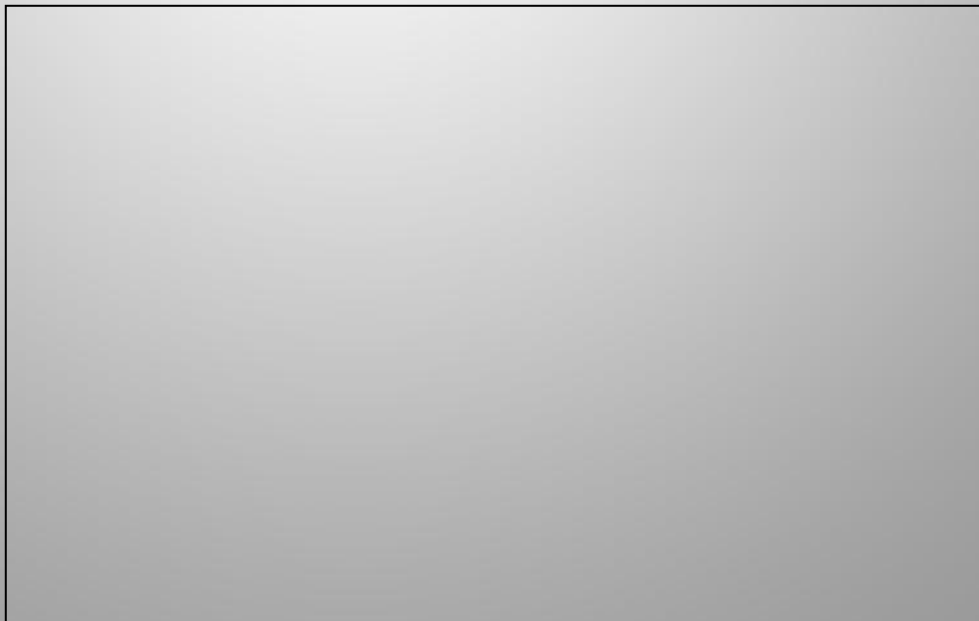
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By daylight, only the central fovea sees clearly & in color.
On a dark night, only the periphery sees, only in black & white, and with poor resolution.
The fovea is blind, only the periphery sees, only in black & white and with poor resolution.
The fovea is blind.

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Genesis of photoreceptor potential

- -Rodes & cones potentials are graded, local potential (generator potential) propagated as A.P in ganglion cells.
- -Ganglion cell action potential (all or none A.P) transmitted to optic nerve.
- Rodes & cones & horizontal cells & Bipolar cell responses are depolarization at dark and hyperpolarization at light

Team Notes :

A.P = Action Potential

-Generator Potential is like action potential but graded



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- - Cones respond to **high** levels of light intensity (illumination)
- -Rods respond to levels of light intensity (illumination) **below** threshold levels for cones, so **rods** are **more sensitive**

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- **Photosensitive compounds:-**
- **1- In cones it is rhodopsin formed of :-**
- **Opsin protein + retinene 1 (retinal = aldehyde form of Vit A) = visual purple**
- **2- There are 3 types of rhodopsin in 3 types of cones each respond to a certain wave length of light**
- **3- In Rods its rhodopsin formed of /**
- **Scotopsin protein + retinene 1**
- **It is stored in disks of rods at outer segment**
- **-It forms (90% of its protein)**
- **-At dark rhodopsin is in 11-cisretinal form (inactive) but light sensitive form which increase sensitivity of rods to light**

Team Notes :

11-cis- retinal (inactive) is light sensitive *can work in minimal light*



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- Ionic basis of photoreceptor potential at dark
- **-In dark Na channels in rods outer segment are open**
- **-Na-K pump in inner segment pump Na**
- **-Na flow from inner to outer segment (called Na current) → Depolarization flow to synaptic endings → steady release of neurotransmitter at synapses with bipolar cells → which get depolarization potential → ganglion cells**

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ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY OF VISION (PHOTOTRANSDUCTION)

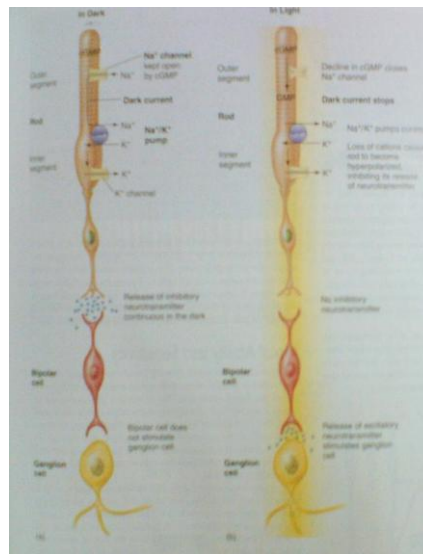
- **A-At Dark (scotopic vision, dimlight vision):-**
 - 1-Rhodopsin in 11-cisretinal (inactive form-light sensitive form which increase sensitivity of rods to light)
 - 2- (5 -GMP) in the c-GMP form
 - c-GMP at **c-GMP gated Na channels**, it bound to proteins at Na channel membrane & keep them open) → opening of Na channels at outer segment → allow Na influx- → depolarization.
 - 3- **Dark current (Na current):-** At the inner segment Na pumped by Na- K pump to outside & re-entered through Na channels (at outer segment).

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Na-channels in the outer segments is surrounded by c-GMP(not 5-GMP) which keeps it open

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- 4- A wave of depolarization spread to synaptic terminals.
- 5- Synaptic mediators are **continuously (steadily)** released (mainly glutamate + Ach + dopamine + GABA.)
- 6- Response in bipolar cells(**depolarization**) → ganglion cells- → AP in optic nerve- → vision at dark.

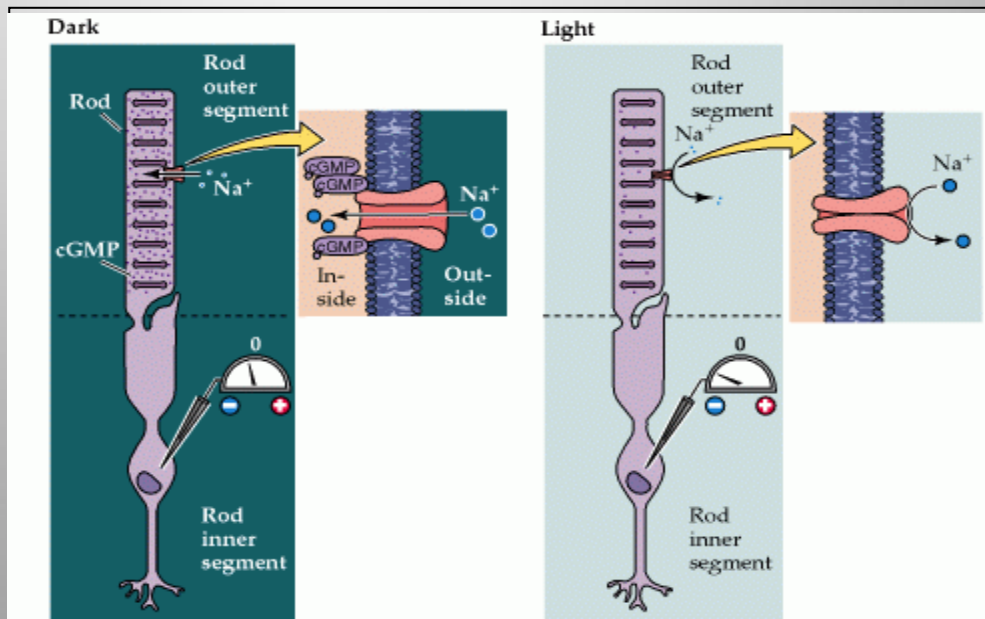
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1-at dark rhodopsin is inactive (cis-retinal needs light for its activation) / inactive rhodopsin is essential for depolarization

- its inactivation keeps Na channels open & Na current occurs, this is the causative factor for depolarization.

2-at dark rhodopsin is regenerated from retinine + scotopsin

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B-Incident light (PHOTOPIC VISION)

- - Light- → Conformational change of photopigment retinene-1 in rhodopsin (**11-cisretinal** form changed to →
- **all-trans isomer** called **metarhodopsin II** which is an active rhodopsin) →Activation of G – protein (**transducin**) → activation of **phosphodiesterase** enzyme → conversion of **c-GMP to 5- GMP** → Decreased intracellular c-GMP → closure of Na channels in outer segment .
- -but still Na pump out of inner segment → Hyperpolarization of photoreceptors (-70 ~ -80)

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Useful link

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fm45A4yjmv0>

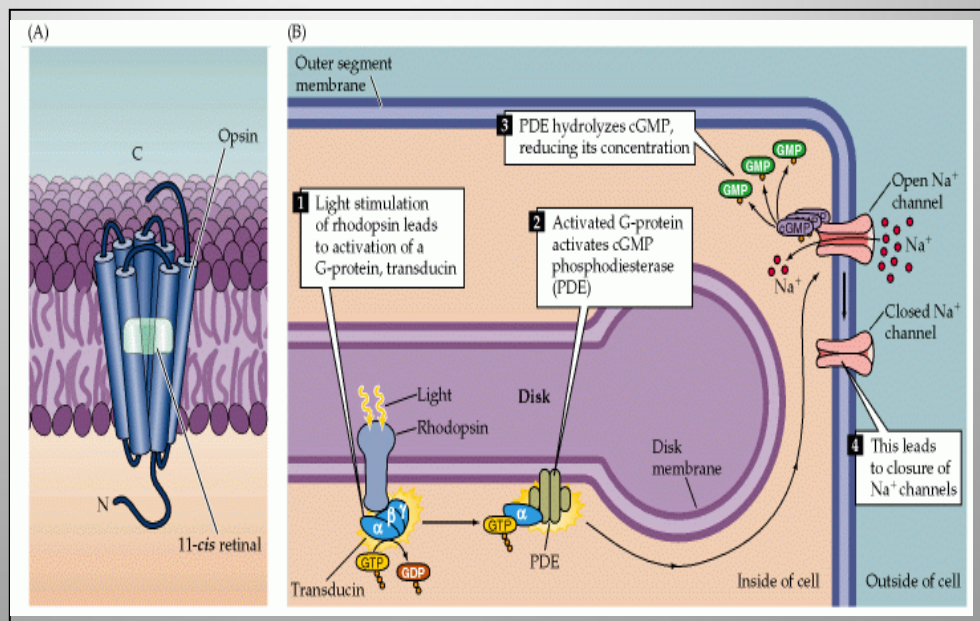
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- Hyperpolarization → **Decreased** release of synaptic transmitter → R sponse in bipolar cells (hyperpolarization) (this cause **decreased** release of inhibitory synaptic transmitter) → G nerator potential in amakrine cells & ganglion cells (depolarize) → AP → optic nerve → optic pathway

- NB/
- -these reactions occur in both rods & cones but in rods occur at low illumination as in dimlight & in cones at high illumination.
- - in cones 4 times faster

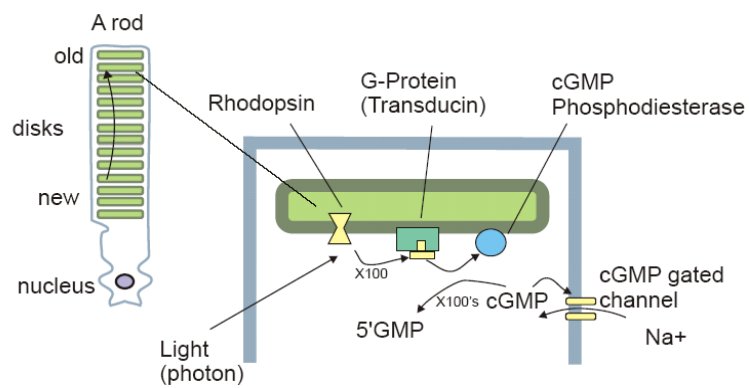
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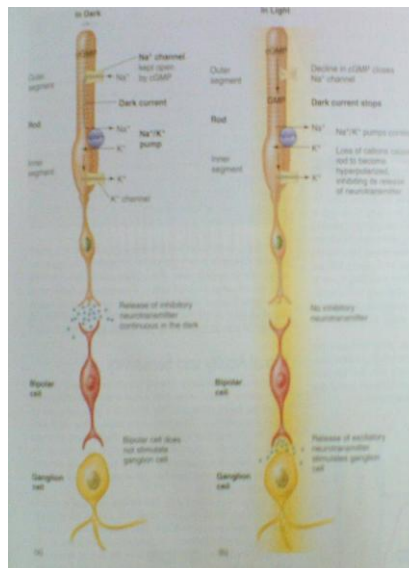
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- **Synaptic mediators in retina:-**
- Ach, glutamate, dopamine, serotonin, GABA, substance P, somatostatin, VIP, enkephalins, glucagons, neurotensin.
- **In dark:-** all transmitters are **continuously (steadily)** released by depolarization of rods depolarize bipolar cell → generator potential → AP in ganglion cells
- **In light:-** hyperpolarization of the receptors **decrease inhibitory** transmitter release → → depolarize amacrine cell → generator potential → AP in ganglion cells.

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VIP= Vascular inhibitory peptide

AP= Action Potential

Dark: all transmitters are released steadily by large amounts



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***-metarhodopsin II (in rods&cones) decompose by light into:-**

- Retinine 1 + scotopsin

**-Retinine 1 + scotopsin at dark → vit A +
scotopsin → rhodopsin regeneration**

- then decompose by light.

*** NYCTALOPIA:- (night blindness)**

– Vitamine A deficiency cause rods , cones & retinal degeneration & loss of rods

– R / vit A if receptors are well.

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-The Reason for nyctalopia is that without vitamin A, the amounts of retinal and rhodopsin that can be formed are severely depressed.

-In severe cases the rods are degenerated and it won't benefit from vitamin A



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Dark adaptation:-

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- **-When a person moves from lighted environment → a dimly lighted environment, the retina becomes more sensitive to light & the person will see at dark (accustomed to dark) in about 20 min.(only gross features but no details or colors) .**
- **- Rhodopsin in darkness is essential for depolarization of rods to see in dark**
- **(Na channels to open & for dark adaptation)**
- **-Once light enters the eye metarhodopsin from rhodopsin initiates cycle of events for light vision.**

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-You can't see any colors in the dark because you're only using Rods (*without cones*)

-Dark adaption takes about 20 min. to make rhodopsin



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- **Dark adaptation has 2 components:-**
- **1- rapid (about 5 minutes) drop in visual threshold .**
- **Fast dark adaptation of cones, only in fovea**
- **-sensitivity of cones to light increase to see at that time.**
- **2- less rapid (till 20 min) drop in visual threshold .**
- **- dark adaptation of rodes in the peripheral retina**
- **- sensitivity of rodes to light increase, in 1 min increase 10 folds**
- **(rodes increase their sensitivity to light by convergence 300:1 ganglion cell , so summation at ganglion cells potential will increase sensitivity of rods to light)**

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- **N.B** (20 min for dark adaptation are for regeneration of rhodopsin → increase sensitivity of rodes to light → a drop in visual threshold
- **Q- Why radiologists & aircraft pilots wear red goggles in bright light?**
- **A-** Light wavelength of the red (at end of spectrum) stimulate the cones & stimulates rods to some extent, so red goggles for rods act as dimlight, so with it rods are adapted to darkness & form large amounts of rhodopsin while the person in bright light & when person enter dark places he can see well & not remain 20 mint.
- **2-Light adaptation:-**
- **-When light switched on again, the rodes are knocked out of action (they stop sending AP at high levels of light) & cones start to function to adjust & adapt to the level of brightness in 5 min this is called Light adaptation**

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Questions

1- Which of the following is a step in photoreception in the rods?

- A. Light converts all-*trans* rhodopsin to 11-*cis* rhodopsin
- B. Metarhodopsin II activates transducin
- C. Cyclic guanosine monophosphate(cGMP) levels increase
- D. Rods depolarize
- E. Release of neurotransmitter increases

2- Which of the following statements is true :-

- A. Rods and cones are hyperpolarized at dark
- B. Rods and cones are depolarized at light
- C. Rods and cones are hyperpolarized at light
- D. None of the above

Answers :-

1- B

2- C