[lecture 1]

General Mechanisms of Hormone Actions





By the end of this lecture, students should be able to:

• Acquire the knowledge for general consequence of hormonereceptor interaction.

The Objectives

- Understand different mechanisms of action of hormones.
- Recognize the biomedical importance due to disturbance in the normal mechanisms of hormonal action.

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Background

Factors determining the response of a target cell to a hormone

Hormone-receptor interaction

General features of hormone classes

Classification of hormones by mechanism of action

Biomedical importance



Background

- Multicellular organisms depend in their survival on their adaptation to a constantly changing environment
- Intercellular communication is necessary for this adaptation to take place
- Human body synthesizes many hormones that can act specifically on different cells of the body
- More than one hormone can affect a given cell type
- Hormones can exert many different effects in one cell or in different cells
- A target is any cell in which the hormone (ligand) binds to its receptor

Factors determining the response of a target cell to a hormone

- The rate of synthesis & secretion of the hormones
- The conversion of inactive forms of the hormone into the fully active form
- The rate of hormone clearance from plasma (half-life & excretion)
- The number, relative activity, and state of occupancy of the specific receptors
- Post-receptor factors

General Features of Hormone Classes

	Group I	Group II	Stimulus Hormone release	
Types	Steroids Thyroid Hormones: (T3 & T4) Calcitriol, retinoids	Polypeptides Glycoproteins Catecholamines	Group I hormones Group II hormones	
Solubility	Lipophilic	Hydrophilic	Hormone/receptor binding at the target cells <u>Signal generatic</u>	
Transport proteins	Yes	No	Hormone-receptor complex Second messengers	
Plasma half- life	Long (hours – days)	Short (minutes)	Effects	
Receptor	Intracellular	Plasma membrane	Gene Transporter Protein Protein	
Mediator	Receptor-hormone complex	cAMP, cGMP, Ca ²⁺ , metabolites of complex phosphoinositols, tyrosine kinase cascades	transcription s, channels translocation Modification Coordinated response to stimulus	

Classification of Hormones by Mechanism of Action

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I. Hormones that bind to intracellular receptors (Steroid- Thyroid superfamily)	Steroid hormones Thyroid Hormones ($T_3 \& T_4$) Calcitriol (active form of vitamin D, 1,25[OH] ₂ -D ₃) Retinoic acid				
	A. The second messenger is cAMP	B. The second messenger is cGMP	C. The second messenger is calcium or phosphatidylinositol ((or both	D. The second messenger is a tyrosine kinase cascade	
II. Hormones that bind to cell surface receptors	 Catecholamines (α₂- Adrenergic) Catecholamines (β- Adrenergic) ADH (Renal V2-receptor) Ant. Pituitary: ACTH, FSH, LH & TSH Glucagon Calcitonin & PTH 	Atrial natriuretic peptide (ANP) Nitric oxide	 Acetylcholine (muscarinic) Catecholamines (α₁- Adrenergic) Angiotensin II ADH (vasopressin): Extra-renal V1-receptor 	Growth Hormone (GH) & Prolactin Insulin Erythropoietin	

Group I. Hormones that bind to intracellular receptors

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- Receptor is either in cytosol or nucleus.
- Receptor is either Protein or Glycoprotein.
- The hormone pass the cell membrane easily and bind to its receptor to form the hormone receptor complex (Active form). Then, it passes into the nucleus to bind to the hormone receptor element, which are element on the DNA → the DNA will undergo conformational change → activation of a promoter region (the site of activate the GENE TRANSCRIPTION). A Promoter region can be enhancer or silencer.
- If the hormone binds to enhancer sequence \rightarrow stimulation of Gene expression.
- If the hormone binds to silencer sequence \rightarrow repression of Gene expression.



Group II. Hormones that bind to cell surface receptors

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A. The second messenger is cAMP :

- Glucagon
- Catecholamines (β- Adrenergic)
- ADH (Renal V2-receptor)

Cascade for formation of cAMP by cell-surface hormones :







Actions of cAMP :

- hormone attaches to its specific receptor on the cell surface, this activates the G-protein subunit to release GDP and attach GTP, and α subunit of the G-protein dissociates and activates adenylyl cyclase.
- Activated adenyly cyclase converts ATP to cAMP, which acts as the second messenger.
 Inactive cAMP-dependent protein kinase A (PKA) is formed of a complex two regulatory and two catalytic subunits. The binding of cAMP to the regulatory subunits of PKA changes its conformation and detaches the catalytic (now active) subunits. the active catalytic subunits phosphorylate target protein substrates to either activate or inhibit them depending on the protein.

This will be stop if :

- Hormone dissociate from receptor.
- alpha subuint has an intrinsic GTPase activity \rightarrow convert GTP to ADP \rightarrow AC will be inactive.
- giving Phosphodiesterase to convert cAMP to AMP to block the effect of PKA activation.
- giving Phosphatase to dephosphorylate whatever the catalytic units phosphorylated



<u>Abortion of Hormonal Stimulus :</u>

Release of hormone from its receptor (unbound receptor)
 Dephosphorylation of protein substrate by phosphatase
 Degradation of cAMP into AMP by phosphodiesterase
 Inactivation of protein kinase A by a decrease of cAMP
 Hydrolysis of GTP into GDP

6. Binding of α -subunit to $\beta\gamma$ -subunits

7.Inactivation of adenylyl cyclase



Group II. Hormones that bind to cell surface receptors

The activated enzyme is guanylate cyclase For Example: ANP and NO



GC Converts GTP to cGMP (2nd messenger)

C. The second messenger is Ca phosphatidylinositol (or both)

The second messenger is

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cGMP

- Catecholamines (α₁-Adrenergic)
- ADH (vasopressin): Extra-renal V1-receptor





D. The second messenger is a tyrosine kinase cascade

- Growth hormone and prolactin
- Insulin
- Erythropoietin

Mechanism of Insulin action :



IRS-tyr-

3 Receptor tyrosine kinase phosphorylates other

proteins, for example, insulin receptor substrates (IRSs).

- o alpha subunit : responsible for recognizing and binding to insulin (contains insulin binding domain), beta : responsible for intracellular effect (contains the tyrosine residue that will be phosphorylated after binding to the insulin) → receptor will be active and undergo conformational changes.
- Receptor itself is phosphorylated (autophosphorylation) and gets activated as an enzyme. It phosphorylates IRS- tyrosine (insulin receptor substrate).

Biologic Effects of Insulin :

	Anabolic effect	Decrease glucose levels	
***	Glycogen synthesis Glucose uptake Protein synthesis Fat synthesis lipolysis	 Gluconeogenesis Glycogenolysis 	Altered gene expression

Biomedical Importance

- Excessive (e.g., hyperthyroidism, Cushing), deficient (e.g., hypothyroidism, Addison), or inappropriate secretion (e.g., syndrome of inappropriate secretion of ADH "SIADH") of hormones are major causes of diseases
- Pharmacological treatment of these diseases depends on replacement of deficient hormone (*hypo*-) or use of drugs that interfere with the mechanism of action of the hormones (*hyper- or inappropriate*)



Summary

Hormones divide into :

Group I (Steroids, Thyroid Hormones: (T3 & T4) Calcitriol and retinoids, Wich are lipophilic and the receptor is intracellular (either in cytosol or nucleus), The hormones bind to its receptor to form the hormone receptor complex.

Group II (Polypeptides, Glycoproteins and Catecholamines, Wich are hydrophilic and the receptor is in plasma membrane, the hormones bind to to its receptor by 4 mechanism :

A. The second messenger is cAMP :

- Glucagon , Catecholamines (β-Adrenergic) and ADH (Renal V2-receptor).
- The activated enzyme is Adenylyl Cyclase.

B. The second messenger is cGMPB :

- ANP and NO
- The activated enzyme is Guanylate Cyclase

C. The second messenger is Ca phosphatidylinositol (or both) :

- Catecholamines (α_1 -Adrenergic) and ADH (vasopressin, Extra-renal V1-receptor)
- The activated enzyme is Phospholipase C.

D. The second messenger is a tyrosine kinase cascade :

• Growth hormone, prolactin, Insulin and Erythropoietin.

1. Hormone that binds to a cell surface receptor and requires the second :

- messenger camp is : (A) Antidiuretic hormone
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- (B) Cholecystokinin
- (C) Calcitriol
- (D) Gastrin

2. All the following statements about steroid hormones are true except :

(A) They are Lipophilic

(B) They require carriers to transport them in circulation

(C) Their receptors are intracellular

(D) They require cyclic AMP as second messenger

3. Glycogenoloysis is decreased by :

(A) Glucagon (B) Insulin (C) Epinephrine (D) cAMP

4. G-proteins act as :

(A) Hormone carriers

(B) Hormone receptors

(C) Second messengers

(D) Signal transducers

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